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## Integrated Science Investigation of the Sun Energetic Particles

### Preliminary Design Review

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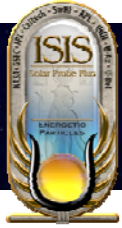
## EPI-Hi Mechanical

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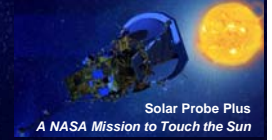
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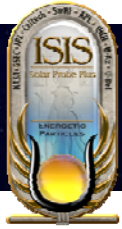
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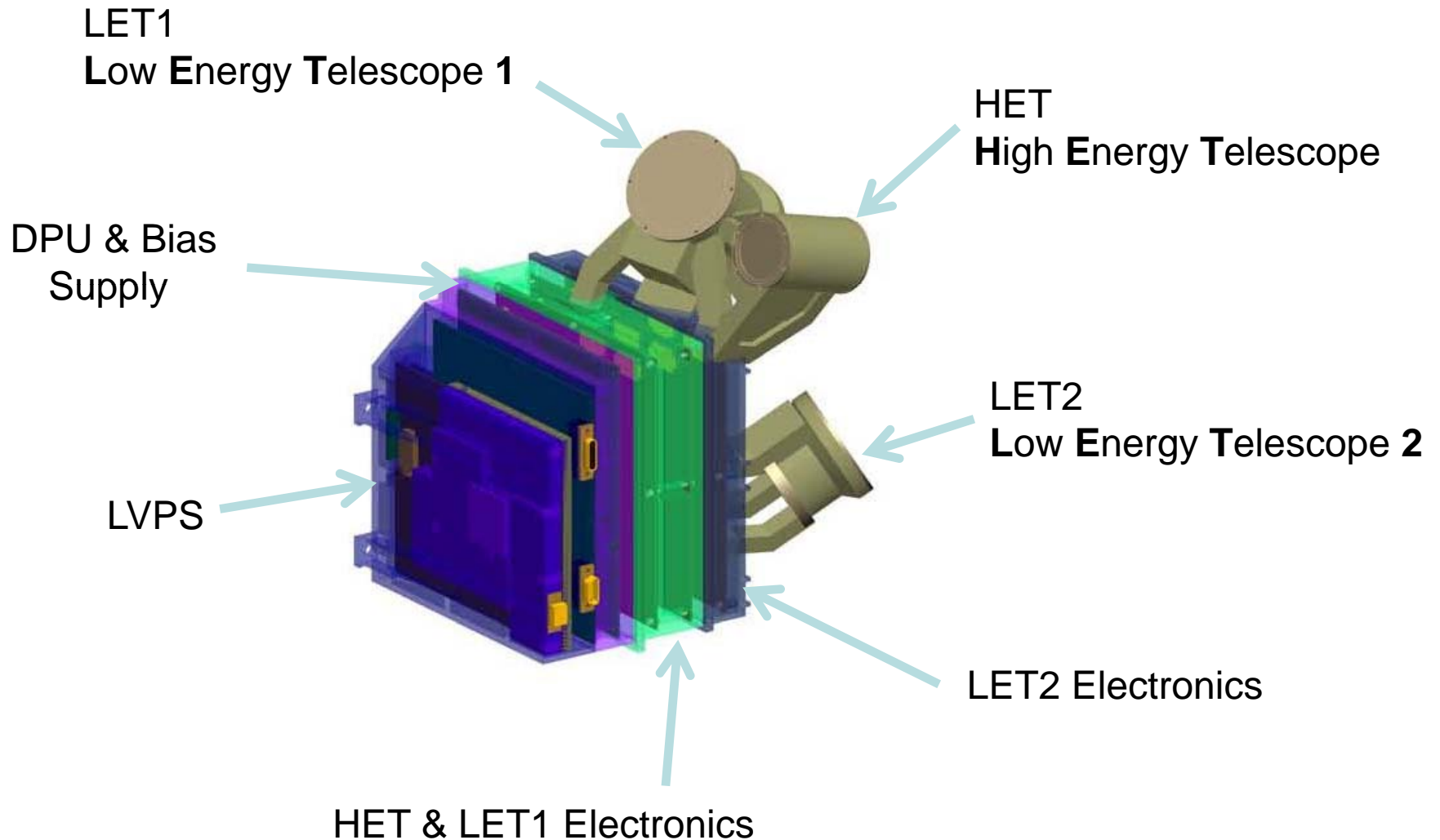
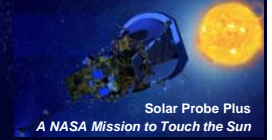
# EPI-Hi Outline



- Overview of Instrument Configuration
- Location on Spacecraft
- Fields of View
- Mass Allocation
- Mechanical Design
- Assembly Process
- Summary of Peer Review Results

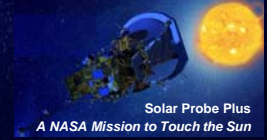


# EPI-Hi Component Configuration



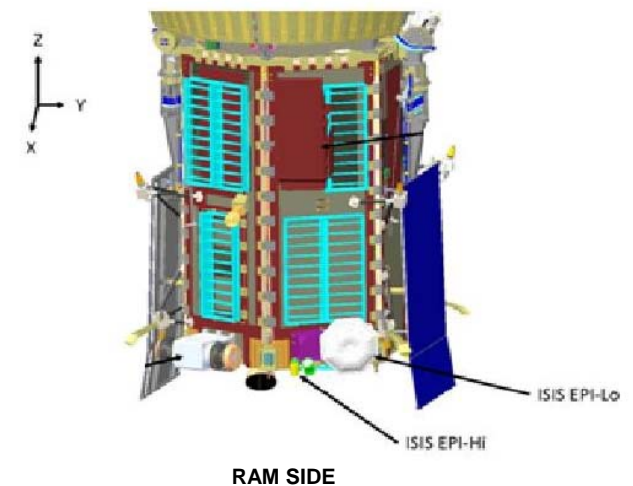
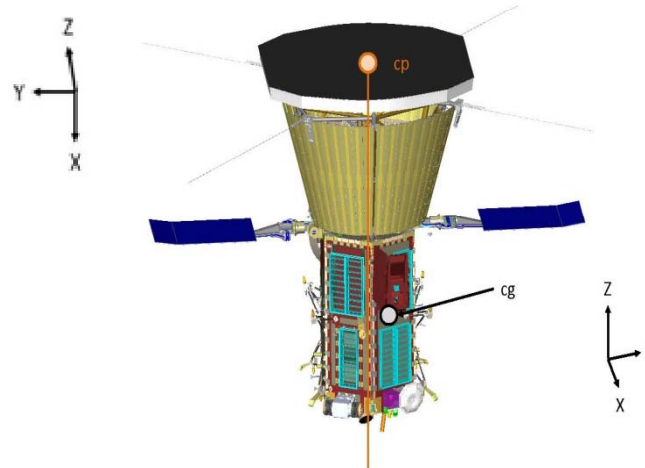
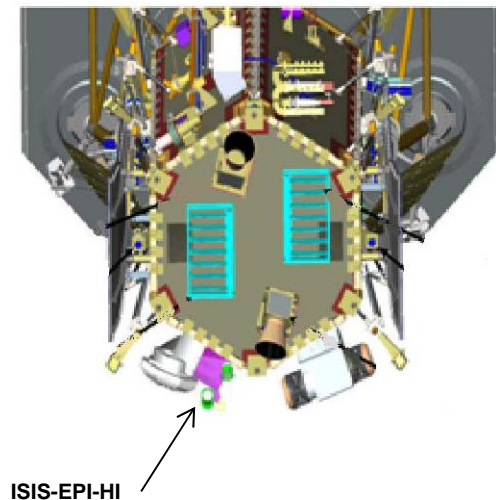
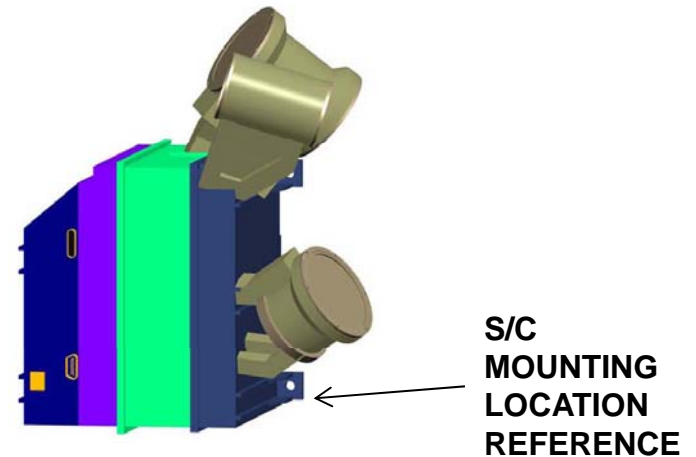


# EPI-Hi Instrument



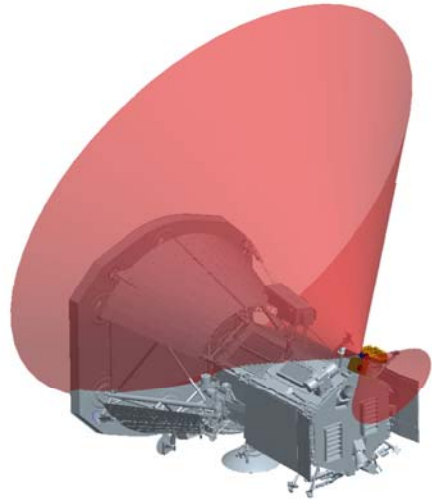
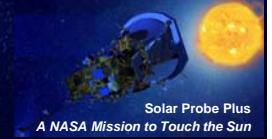
- Location of instrument on spacecraft

- Located on +X side (RAM side)
- Lower right mounting bolt on instrument located at:  
 $X = 46,16 \text{ cm}$   
 $Y = 23,39 \text{ cm}$   
 $Z = 6,13 \text{ cm}$

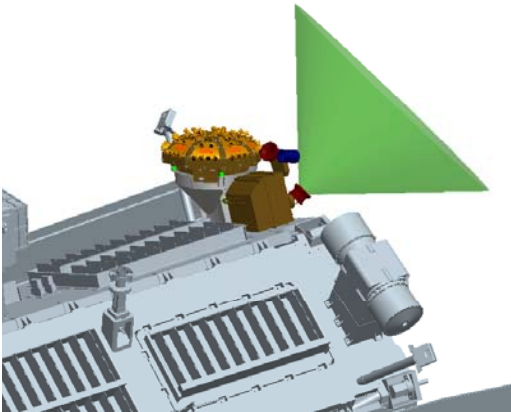
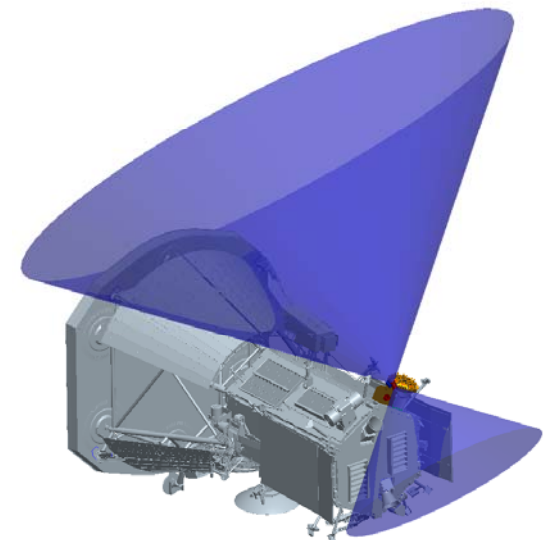


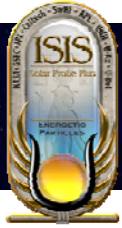


# EPI-Hi Instrument FOVs

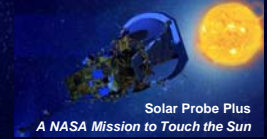


- HET conical 90° FOV
  - Double-ended
  - 20° above S/C-Sun line
- LET1 conical 90° FOV
  - Double-ended
  - 45° above the S/C-Sun line
- LET2 conical 90° FOV
  - Single-ended
  - Orthogonal to LET1 telescope (135° from S/C-Sun line)

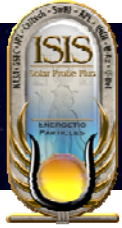




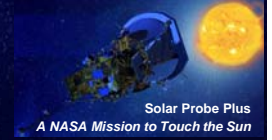
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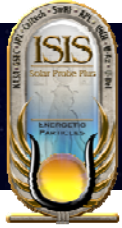
Subsystem	Mass [ g ]
LET1 telescope	225
LET1 board	258
LET2 telescope	145
LET2 board	233
HET telescope	120
HET board	250
DPU board	197
Bias Supply & RF shields	225 + 130
LVPS & RF shields	160 + 100
Elec. box, hardware & shielding	925 + 250 + 100
Telescope brackets	160
Thermal hardware	50
MLI blankets	100
Total	3,628



# EPI-Hi Enclosure Requirements



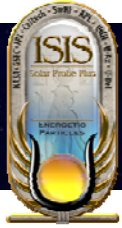
- Work within tight mass constraints
- Design to meet S/C launch environment requirements for Vibration, Acoustics and Thermal conditions
- Design for radiation dose shielding environment
- Package boards maintaining adequate parts clearance board-to-board
- Provide adequate RF and/or ground shielding board-to-board and through the enclosure
- Provide thermal isolation between electronics box and bracket, as well as between telescopes and electronics box



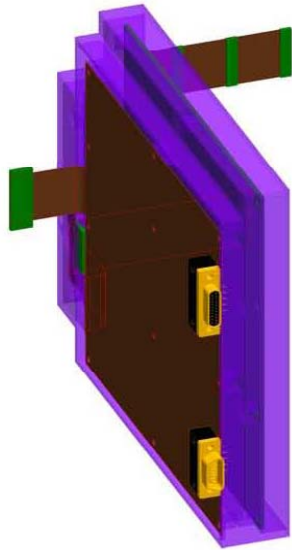
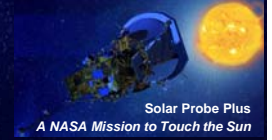
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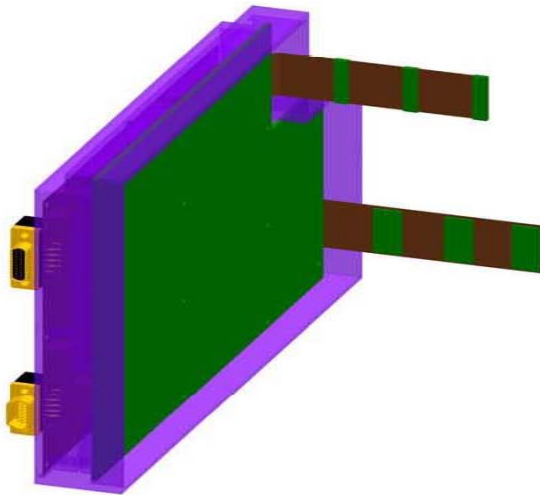
- Electronics box is made up of 4 major components:
  - LVPS Assembly
  - DPU & Bias Supply Assembly
  - HET & LET1 Electronics Assembly
  - LET2 Electronics Assembly
- Each Electronics Assembly is mounted in a perimeter style frame
- All “frames” when assembled together will provide a continuous RF shield for internal electronics
- Wall thickness will be minimum 1,0 mm (~40 mils) for radiation dose shielding
- Internal shielding between critical components will create separate shielded areas as necessary for proper electronics function
- Board interconnect is achieved using rigid/flex boards with built-in cables terminating to individual nanonics/microstrip connectors on mating boards
- Connections to the S/C will be via standard Micro-D connectors



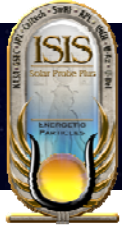
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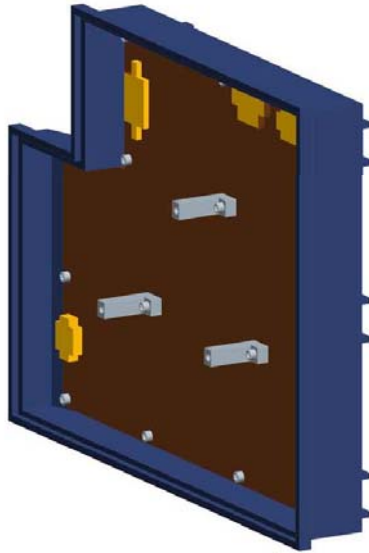
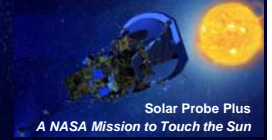
- DPU Board (mounted in one side of frame)
  - Flex connection to telescope boards
  - Flex connection to LVPS
  - S/C cmd&data connector (PCB mount)
  - Thermal harness connector (PCB mt)
  - PCB mounted to machined-in posts in chassis



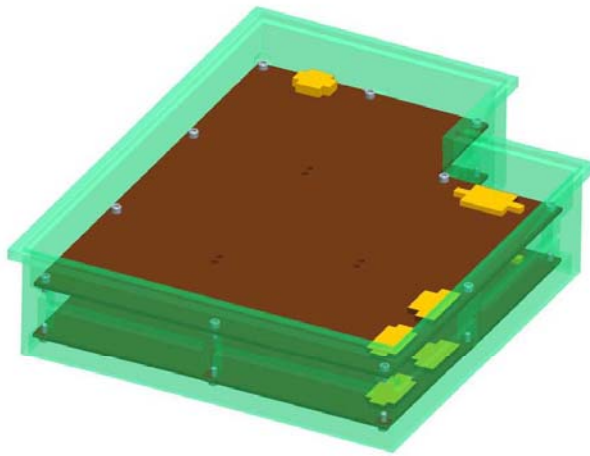
- Bias Supply Board (mounted in one side of frame)
  - Flex connection to 3 telescope boards
  - Flex connection to DPU board
  - R/F shielding
  - PCB mounted to machined-in posts in chassis



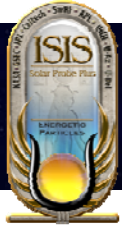
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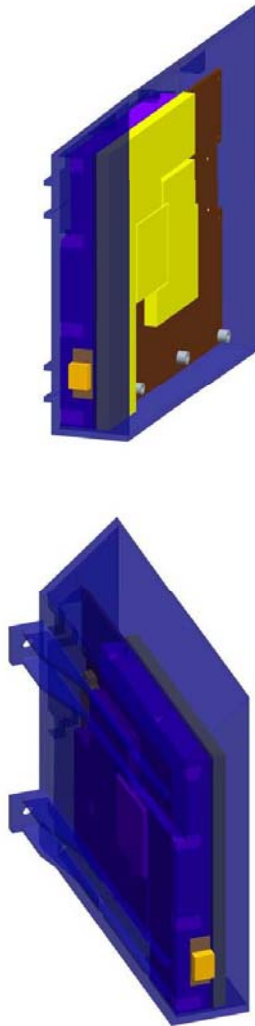
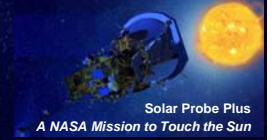
- LET2 Telescope Electronics Assembly
  - Receives flex connection from Bias Supply
  - Receives flex connection from DPU Board
  - Receives 2 flex connections from telescope
  - Housing provides feet for Instrument to enable bracket mounting



- HET & LET1 Electronics Assembly (each board)
  - Flex connection from Bias Supply Board
  - Flex connection from DPU Board
  - 2 flex connections from its telescope
  - PCB mounted to machined-in posts in chassis



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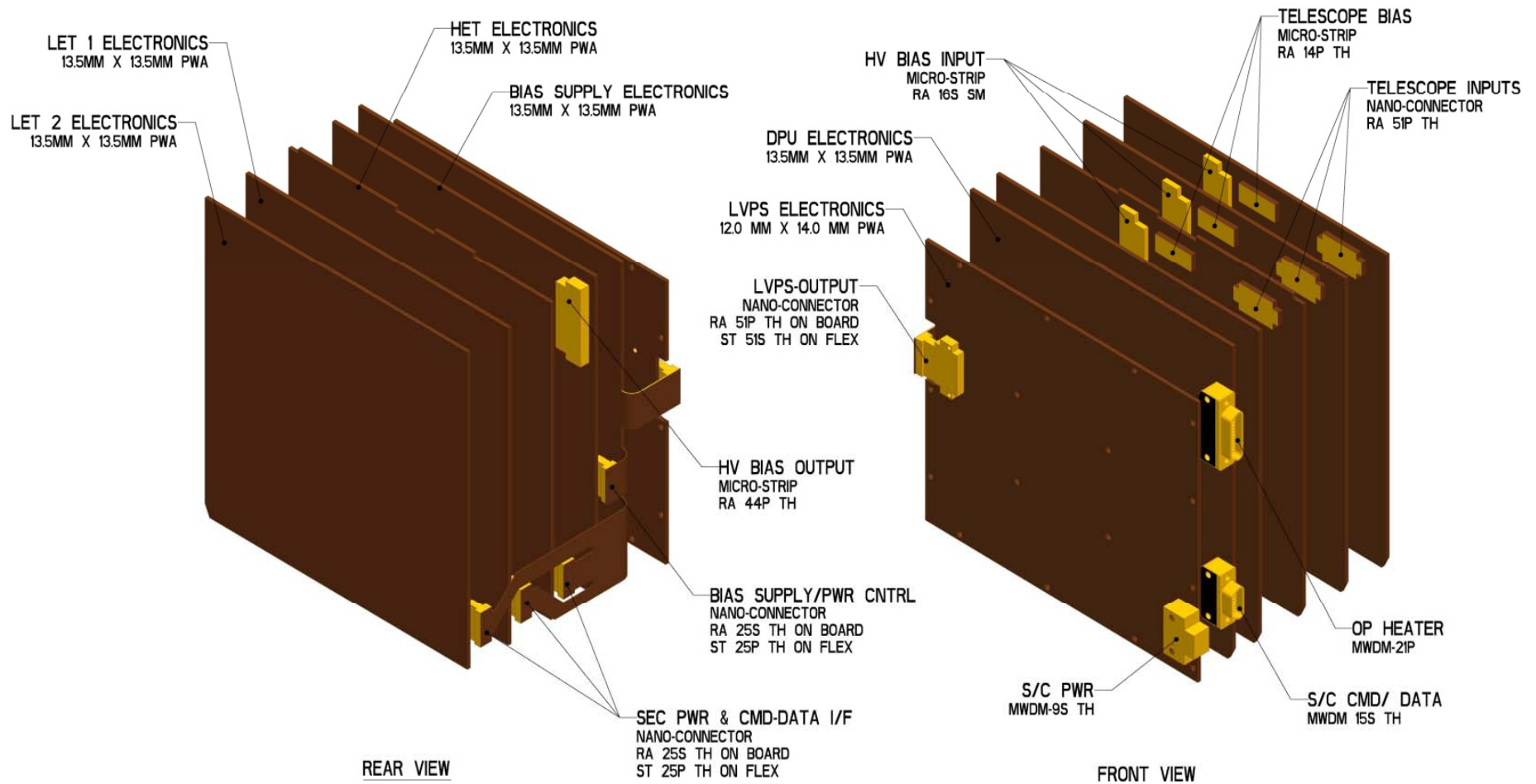
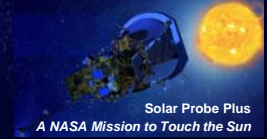
- Low Voltage Power Supply
  - Receives flex connection from DPU Board
  - S/C power connector (PCB mount)
  - Individually shielded primary/secondary circuits top and bottom
  - Housing is tapered to avoid HET FOV
  - Housing provides feet for Instrument to enable bracket mounting
  - PCB mounted to machined-in posts in chassis

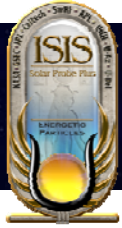
\*LVPS Board provided by APL

\*Chassis and shields designed/provided by GSFC

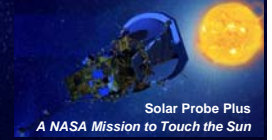


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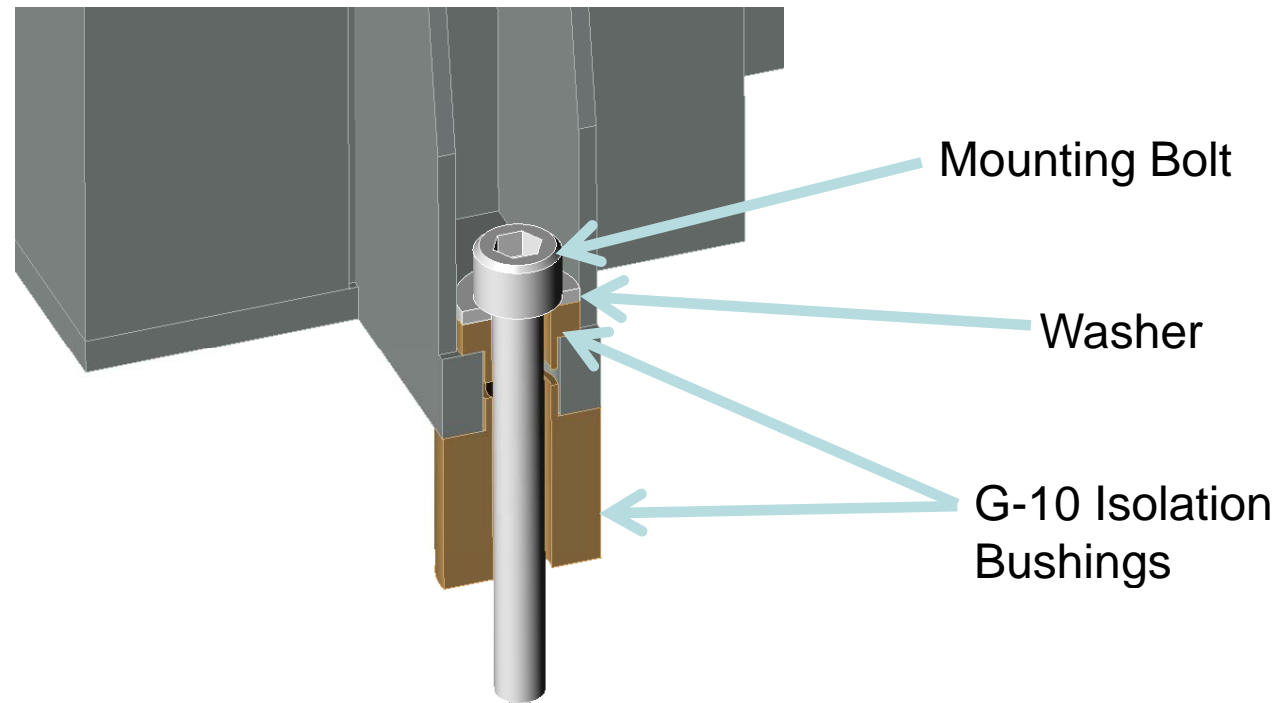




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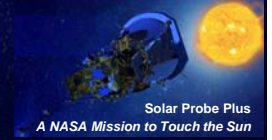


## Typical Mounting Foot Showing Thermal Isolation



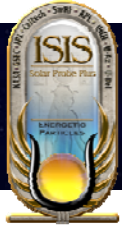


# EPI-Hi Mount Design Requirements

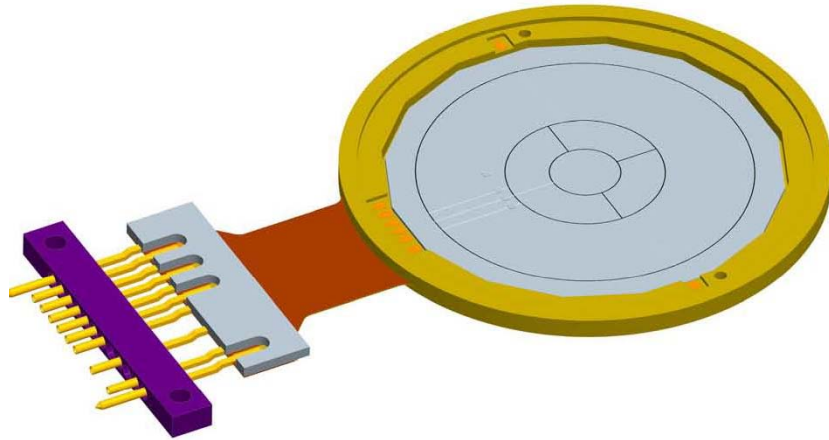
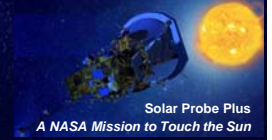


## Detector Mounts

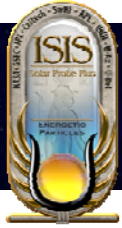
- Able to transmit signals from silicon detectors, via wire bond connections to output connector
- Allows the stacking of detectors maintaining 0,5 mm spacing surface-to-surface between thickest detectors (1,0 mm)
- Allows any detector to be stacked face-up or face-down with any other detector
- Allows for the protection of wire bonds from being crushed on either side when placed on flat surface during storage and/or test
- Provides electrical breakdown protection next to detector, when stacked, of up to 200 V differential between crown of HV wire bonds to conductive surface of opposing detector



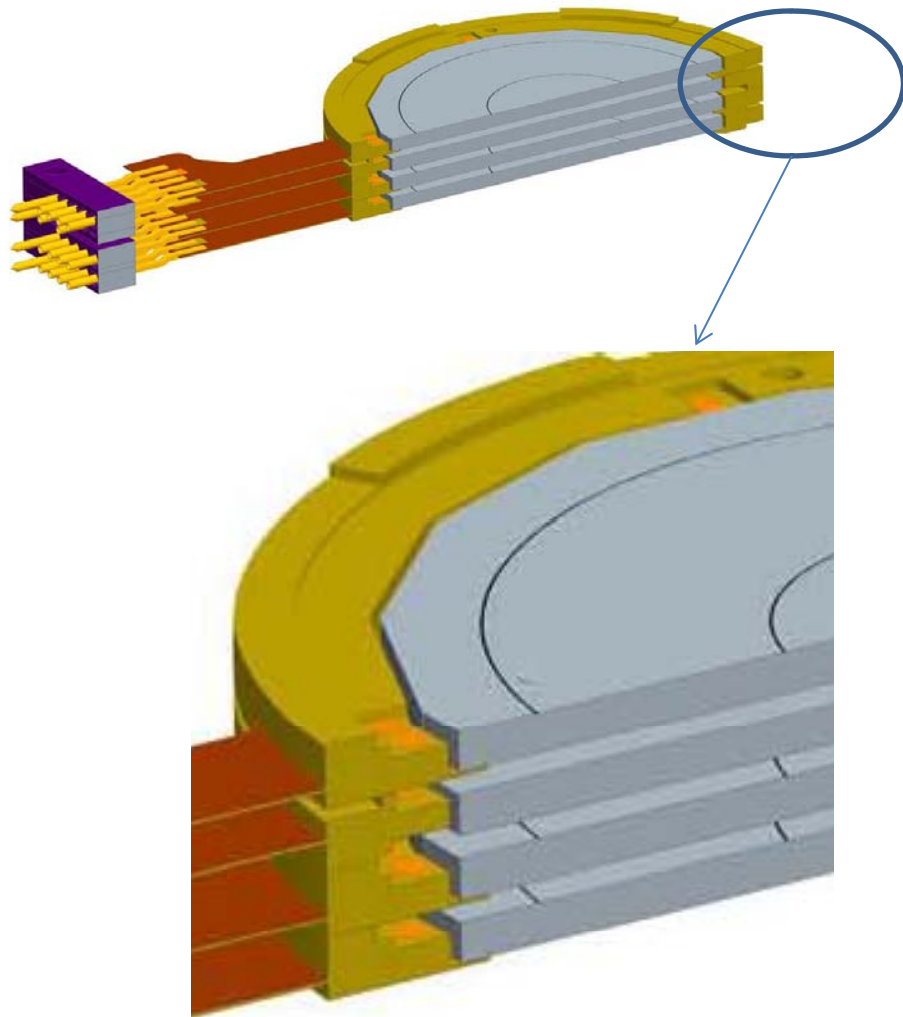
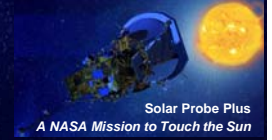
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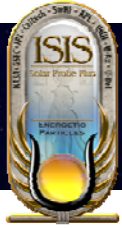
- Recessed detector shelf for silicon detector installation
- Micro-strip connector output
- Flex stiffener to rigidize the area where connector is mounted
- Alignment achieved with alignment pins and concentric stacking shelves on mount and connector
- Tolerancing for mounts will be tightly constrained, but within current CNC machining capabilities
- Detector alignment will be verified through measurement and testing on assembled flight detectors



# EPI-Hi Detector Mount (2/2)



- Mount design allows stacking of detectors face-to-face, face-to-back and back-to-back while maintaining same spacing
- Mounts are spaced 1,5 mm apart when stacked allowing for 0,5 mm separation between thickest detectors
- Detector voltage ranges from ~2 V up to ~200 V
- Mounts provide adequate spacing/protection for wire bond clearance



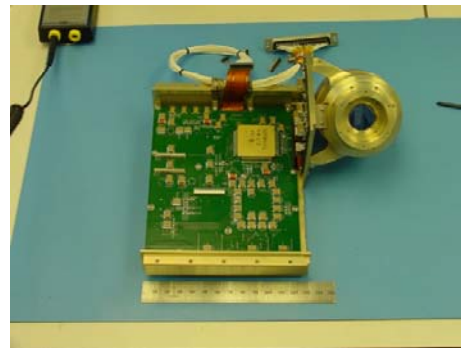
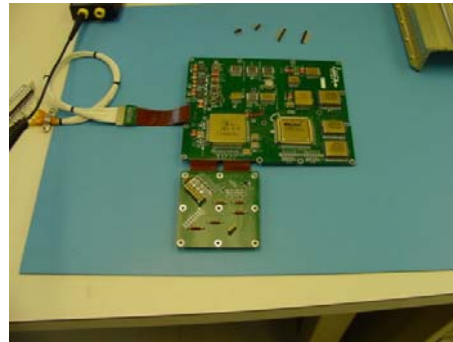
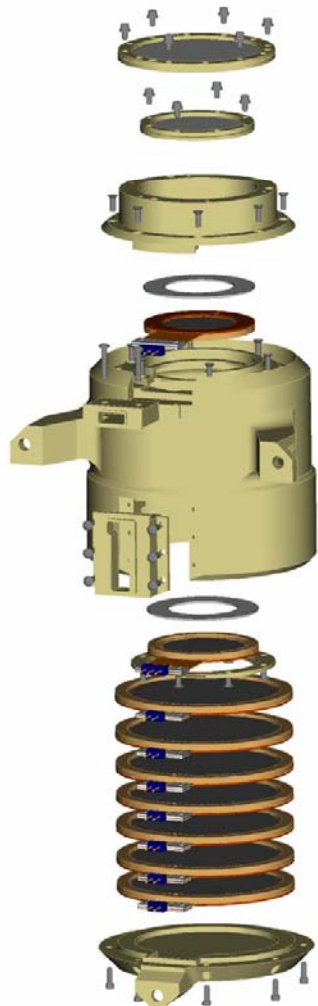
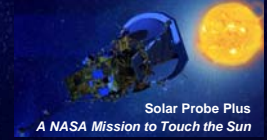
# EPI-Hi Telescope Design (1/2)



- 3 telescopes comprised of silicon wafer detectors
- Provides ~6,0 mm of aluminum shielding to block unwanted particles from entering through the housing body
- Will have multiple foils for micro-meteorite/light protection
- Mounted directly to the top of the enclosure, allowing the flex interconnect cable to be routed internally to provide proper RF shielding
- Will be thermally isolated from the electronics enclosure
- Will all have red-tag covers over all aperture openings

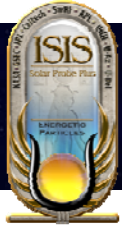


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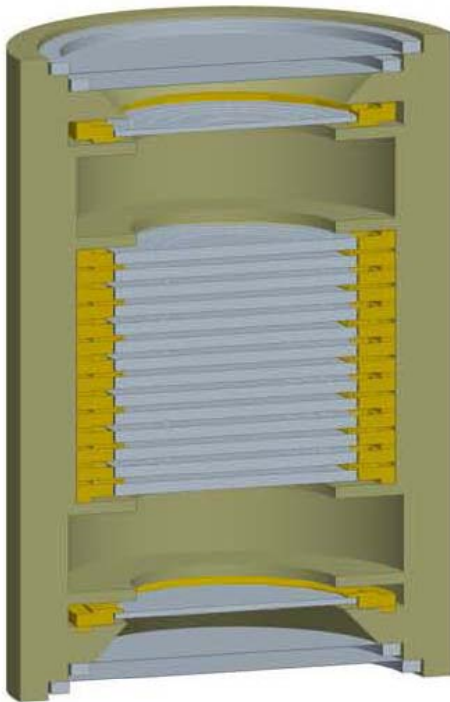
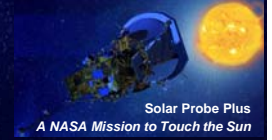


- Heritage design
- Uses alignment pins to stack detectors in telescope body
- Mounting bracket designed into telescope body
- Output signal cable will be completely enclosed in assembly, providing proper shielding

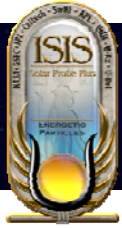
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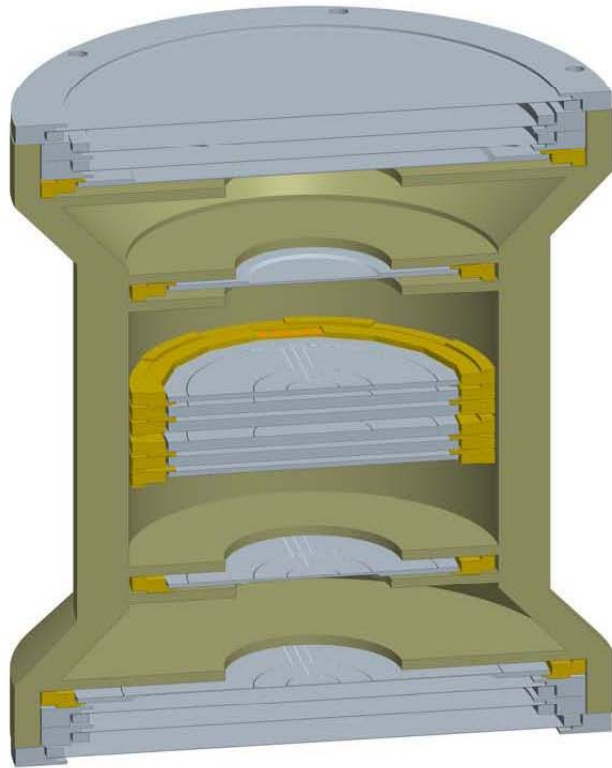
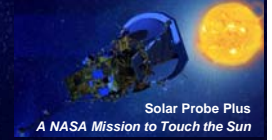
# EPI-Hi High Energy Telescope



- 2-  $\sim 127 \mu\text{m}$  (5 mil) Foils for micro-meteorite/light protection on each end
- Comprised of 16 silicon wafer detectors mounted in rigid-flex mounts
- The front two detectors at each end are spaced apart in order to set a  $90^\circ$  FOV angle

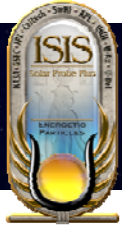


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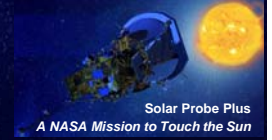


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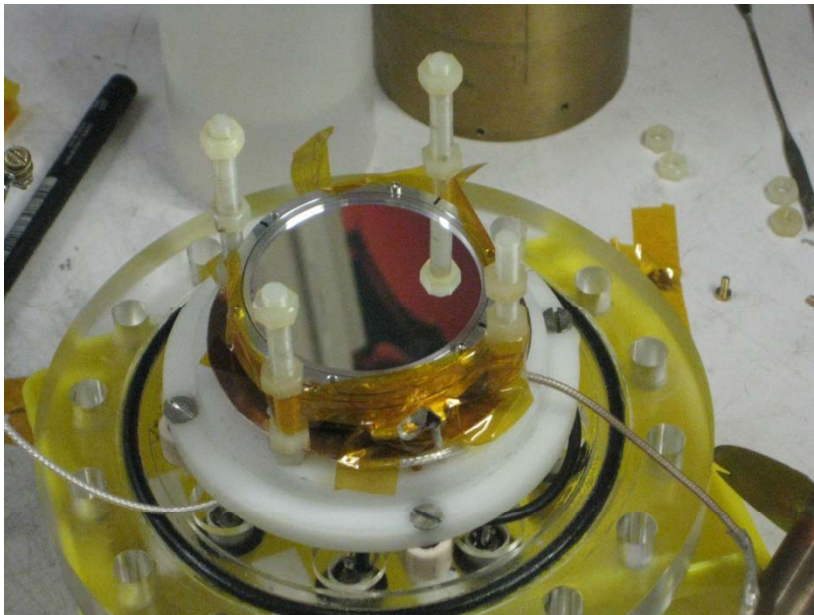
- LET1
  - Double-ended FOV
  - 3 foils for micro-meteorite/light protection on each end
    - Outer foil to be 2  $\mu\text{m}$  polyimide
    - Inner 2 foils to be 1  $\mu\text{m}$  polyimide
  - Comprised of 10 silicon wafer detectors mounted in flex-rigid mounts
  - The front 3 detectors at each end are spaced apart in order to set a  $90^\circ$  FOV angle
- LET2
  - Single-ended FOV
  - Comprised of one half of an LET1 telescope



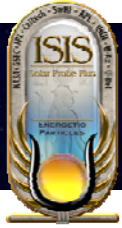
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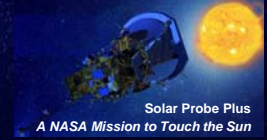
- All foils will be aluminized polyimide manufactured by the Luxel corporation
- Full sized prototype foils (1, 2, and 4 micron) have been manufactured by Luxel during Phase B
- Prototype foils have been thoroughly tested, including a high-velocity dust test at the Heidelberg dust accelerator



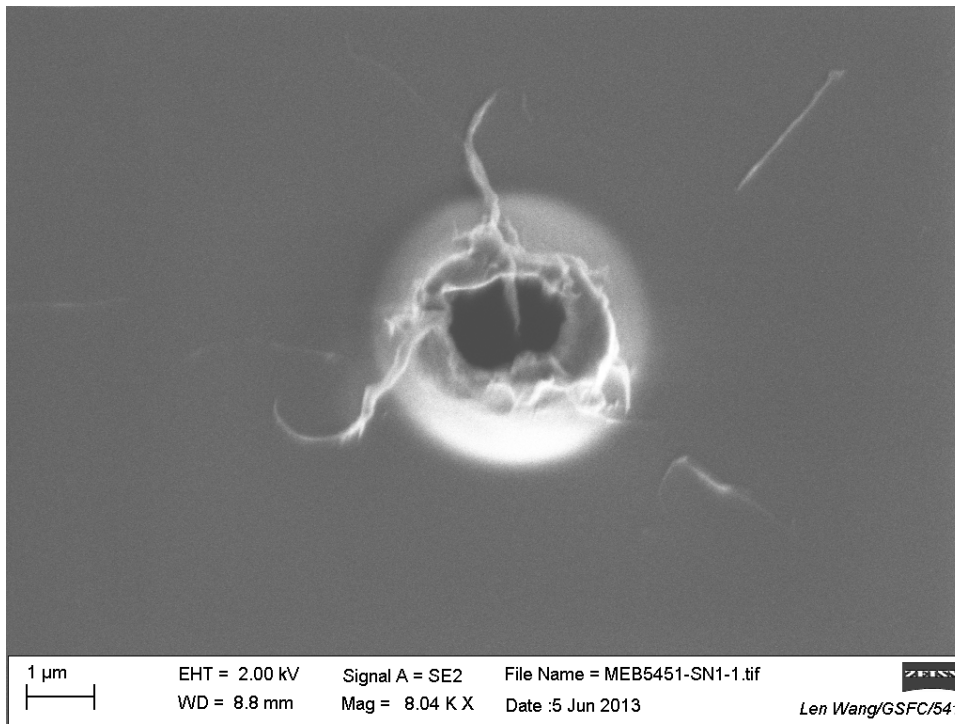
Stack of three Luxel foils (1 micron, 2 micron and 4 micron) in dust accelerator set up



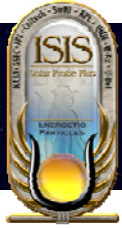
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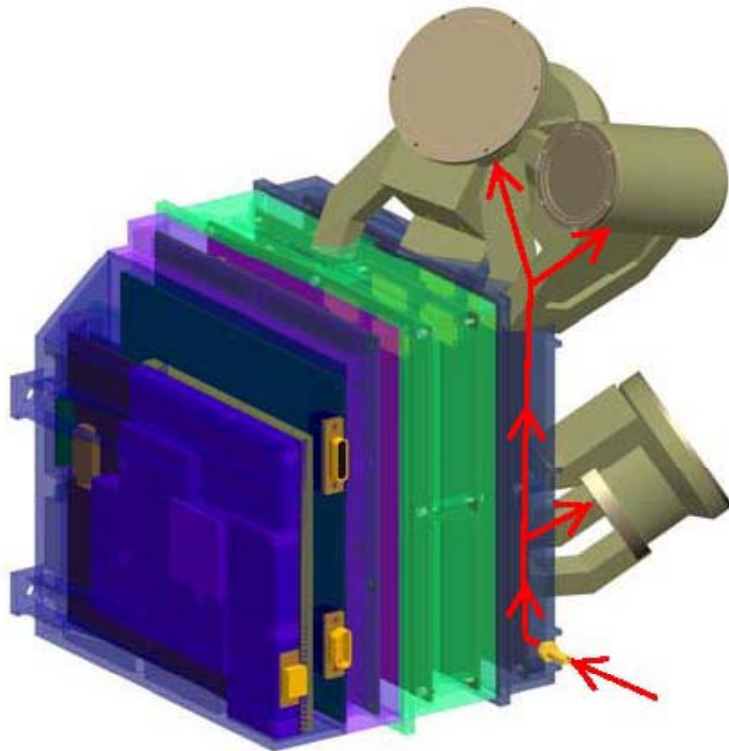
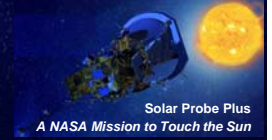
- Dust test shows that holes do not propagate
- Melted polyimide actually appears to strengthen the edge of the hole
- Thermal requirements met with aluminization on the inside surface only



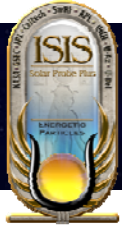
Atomic Force Microscope  
image from back (exit) side of  
dust impact in 1 micron thick  
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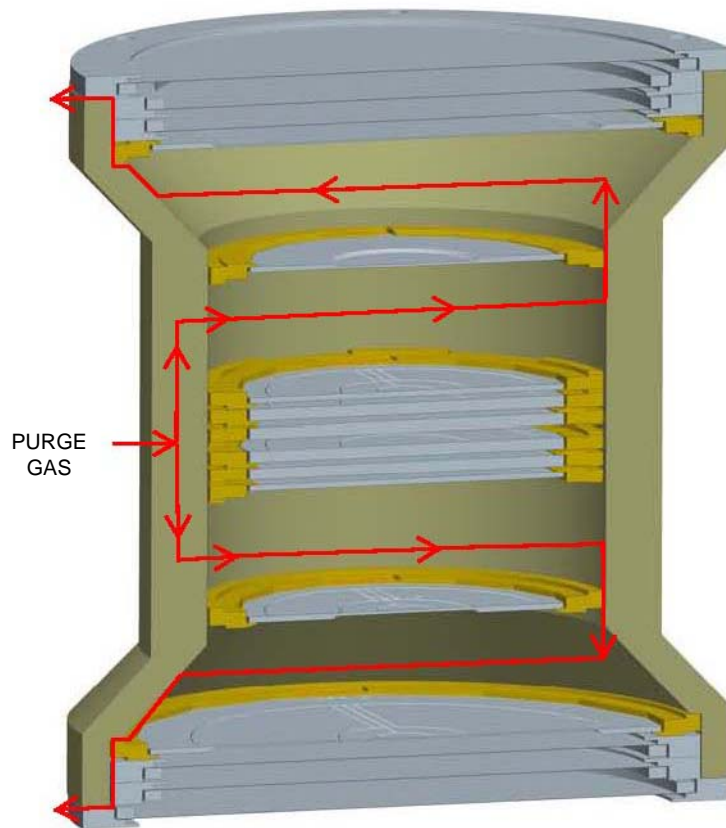
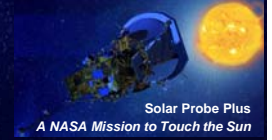
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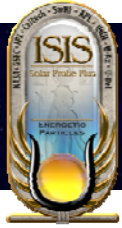
- Purge established to the individual telescopes with a single purge fitting on the outside of the Instrument
- Purge distributed internally through a manifold that sends the purge gas into the center volume of each telescope



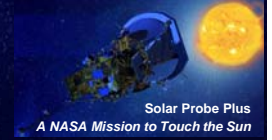
# EPI-Hi Telescope Venting



- Heritage venting strategy used on several prior missions
- Purge gas enters thru housing into open center volumes
- Gas then flows outwards thru vent slots in housing shelves, detector mounts and foil rings
- Gas exits each end of the telescope thru vent slots below outer foil

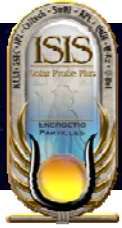


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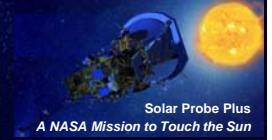


## ■ Electronics Assembly Flow

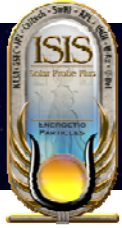
- Assembled board put into its corresponding frame
- Electronics boards tested independently
- Boards then interconnected and fanned out like a book for troubleshooting and further testing w/ telescopes attached
- Purge hoses and fittings installed
- External RF shields added before assembly is closed up
- Frames then bolted together, and the last remaining board cabling installed/connected through access panels in frames
- Access panel covers installed
- Test, Test, Test



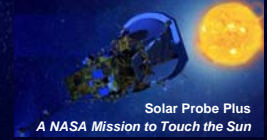
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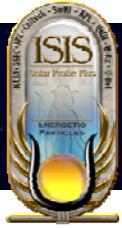
- **Telescope Assembly Flow**
  - Processed Silicon wafers placed in mounts and tested
  - Detector selections made and mount thicknesses recorded
  - Detectors stacked in telescope w/ proper shims, covers and spacers
  - Polyimide Foils installed in collimators
  - Collimators/covers installed onto telescope
  - Red Tag/Protective covers installed
  - Telescope tested w/ electronics and radioactive sources
  - Stored for integration to box



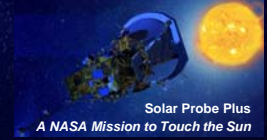
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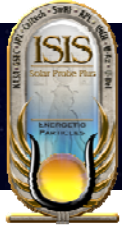
- **Telescope to Electronics Box Assembly**
  - Mating cable assembled over detector pins and secured in place
  - Closeout cover installed over cable
  - Telescope positioned over electronics, and cable fed through corresponding frame
  - Cables connected at electronics end through access panels in frames
  - Access covers installed
  - Test, Test, Test
  - Telescopes mapped by source testing/accelerator calibrations



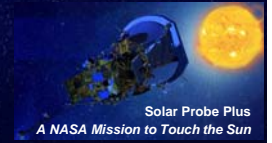
# EPI-Hi Peer Review Results



- Peer Review conducted earlier this month
- Only 3 issues noted:
  - Thin detectors and implications of environments
    - These have been considered and appropriate testing has been or will be performed
  - PCB/wall-mounted connectors
    - Appropriate measures will be taken to minimize stresses during installation
  - Whether “bolt slip” during instrument/telescope mounting will be sufficient enough to keep telescope FOVs within spec
    - This will be analyzed and verified



# Summary



- Mechanical concept verified with peer review
- All issues from peer review addressed
- Next step, the drawings for Engineering Model, already started