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PREFACE

The Rocket and Balloon Experiments for University Students (REXUS/BEXUS) programme is realized under a bilateral Agency Agreement between the German Aerospace Center (DLR) and the Swedish National Space Board (SNSB). The Swedish share of the payload has been made available to students from other European countries through a collaboration with the European Space Agency (ESA).

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The Student Experiment Documentation (SED) is a continuously updating document regarding the BEXUS student experiment IRISC - InfraRed Imaging of astronomical targets with a Stabilized Camera and will undergo reviews during the preliminary design review, the critical design review, the integration progress review, and final experiment report.

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 Scientific Background
- 1.2 Mission Statement
- 1.3 Experiment Objectives
- 1.4 Experiment Concept
- 1.5 Team Details



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2 Experiment Requirements and Constraints

A list of requirements and constraints are listed below. The requirements are separated in functional, performance, design and operational requirements.

2.1 Functional Requirements

- F.1 The telescope shall successfully track the celestial bodies of interest.
- F.2 The camera shall take images in the near infrared (NIR) spectrum.

2.2 Performance Requirements

- P.1 The gimbal stabilization system shall point the telescope towards the celestial body with an accuracy of at least 1 arc seconds.
- P.2 The optics shall be cable of making pictures of $0.5-1.5 \times 0.3-1$ degrees.
- P.3 The NIR camera shall make images in the range of 720-850 to 1200 nm.
- P.4 The NIR camera shall have a resolution of at least 16 MP.
- P.5 The NIR camera shall be able to make images with exposure times between 0.5 and 150 seconds.
- P.6 The experiment shall measure the location and orientation of the gondola.

2.3 Design Requirements

- D.01 The experiment shall be able to operate in the temperature profile of the BEXUS environment.
- D.02 The experiment shall be able to operate in the pressure profile of the BEXUS environment.
- D.03 The experiment shall be able to operate in the vibration profile of the BEXUS environment.
- D.04 The absolute position of the telescope relative to the gondola shall be known with a accuracy of 0.1 degrees.
- D.05 The supporting structure shall not twist by more than 0.1 degrees.
- D.06 The experiment shall never be pointed directly at the sun \pm 27 degrees.
- D.07 The experiment shall be able to fly during the entire day.
- D.08 The temperature of the NIR camera shall be held at $0\pm5\,^{\circ}\text{C}$.
- D.09 The images obtained shall be send to a ground station by the E-link system with a maximum data rate of 1000 kilo bits per second.
- D.10 The experiment shall be mounted at the side of the gondola.
- D.11 The experiment shall not consume more power than 250 Wh.
- D.12 The volume of the experiment shall not exceed $65 \times 40 \times 40$ cm.
- D.13 The mass of the experiment shall not exceed 20 kg.
- D.14 The experiment shall be able to run for at least 2.5 hours.
- D.15 The experiment shall be able to function autonomously.
- D.16 The data stored in the experiment shall be able to survive the landing.

2.4 Operational Requirements

- O.1 The experiment shall be able to be controlled by the ground station when requested.
- 0.2 The experiment shall rotate to a 'safe' location while descending.

2.5 Constraints

- C.1 The shared E-link data transfer rates are limited by coverage and quality of reception.
- C.2 There shall be no direct internet connection on the ground station.
- C.3 The mass and volume should fit inside the gondola together with the other experiments.
- C.4 The budget for the experiment is limited by the generous companies and organizations that sponsor IRISC.

3 Project Planning

- 3.1 Work Breakdown Structure
- 3.2 Schedule
- 3.3 Resources
- 3.3.1 Manpower
- 3.3.2 Budget

Category	Total Mass [g]	Total Price [EUR]
Structure	0.00	00.0
Electronics Box	0.000	0.00
Cables and Sensors		
CAC		
AAC		
Tools	_	
Travel	_	
Contingency	_	
Total without Error Margin		
Shipping Costs and Error Margin		
Total with Error Margin		

Table 3: Mass and Cost Budget.

3.3.3 External Support

3.4 Outreach Approach

3.5 Risk Register

Risk ID

TC – Technical/Implementation

MS – Mission (operational performance)

SF - Safety

VE - Vehicle

PF - Personnel

EN - Environmental

OR - Outreach

BG - Budget

Adapt these to the experiment and add other categories. Consider risks to the experiment, to the vehicle and to personnel.

Probability (P)

- A Minimum Almost impossible to occur
- B Low Small chance to occur
- C Medium Reasonable chance to occur
- D High Quite likely to occur
- E Maximum Certain to occur, maybe more than once

Severity (S)

- 1. Negligible Minimal or no impact
- 2. Significant Leads to reduced experiment performance
- 3. Major Leads to failure of subsystem or loss of flight data
- 4. Critical Leads to experiment failure or creates minor health hazards
- 5. Catastrophic Leads to termination of the REXUS/BEXUS programme, damage to the vehicle or injury to personnel

The rankings for probability (P) and severity (S) are combined to assess the overall risk classification, ranging from very low to very high and being coloured green, yellow, orange or red according to the SED guidelines.

Whether a risk is acceptable or unacceptable has been assigned according to the SED guidelines. Where mitigation is written for acceptable risks this details the mitigation undertaken in order to reduce the risk to an acceptable level.

ID	Risk (& consequence if)	Р	S	P * S	Action
TC10	Optics and/ or camera destroyed due to testing	С	2	Low	There is budget for a spare part, it is quite easy to get and test where it will likely fail (e.g. drop test) will not be done with this part.
TC20	Optics and/ or camera destroyed due to looking directly into the sun	В	3	Low	A model will be made and sufficient testing will make sure that the probability gets very low.
TC30	Software failure	В	3	Low	A watchdog with power-on-reset will be added to the design.
TC40	Motors of the gimbal are uncontrollable	В	4	Low	It will be made sure that a single component failure will not result in this consequence.
TC50	Motors overloaded	А	3	Very Low	Sufficient testing and modeling will be done to decrease the probability.
TC60	PCB failure	В	3	Low	Sufficient testing will be done on each PCB to decrease the probability.
TC70	Single component failure gives unprecedented failure	В	4	Low	A Failure mode and effects analysis (FMEA) study will be done so that single failure components with a high impact will be documented and migrated.
MS10	Target not found	D	2	Low	The ground station will be able to correct this, or send the system to another target.
MS20	Gears get jammed	В	4	Low	Gear will be oiled on the day of the launch.
MS30	Damage to the system on landing	D	1	Low	Optics will move inside a frame for protection.
MS40	Damage to the hard disk on landing	С	2	Low	Data will be send over telemetry
MS50	Hard disk full during flight	Α	3	Very Low	Sufficient modeling will be done to decrease the probability.
MS60	BEXUS balloon power failure	Α	4	Very Low	-
MS70	BEXUS balloon telemetry failure	В	2	Very Low	The system will be able to function autonomously.
SF10	Components falling off the gondola	А	4	Very Low	All parts sufficiently fastened. Testing conducted to ensure fastening is able to hold all parts in place in case of turbulence. Where possible, add assurance by adding additional fixations.
VE10	Short circuiting	В	3	Low	A fuse is in the power system added.
VE20	Collision of telescope with landing mechanism	Α	4	Very Low	The experiment will be inside a frame for protection.

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PE10	Miscommunication in the team	В	2	Very Low	The management team should be responsible for ensuring proper information is conveyed to all team members.
PE20	People are not available	С	1	Very Low	An availability sheet is made so a planning can be made. This will be kept up to date during the entire project.
PE30	Management team unavailable to oversee project	С	1	Very Low	There is always someone as a backup.
PE40	Sudden resignation of project members	В	2	Very Low	Management team ensure morale remains high through a variety of techniques (group building activities).
EN10	Rays focused on someone due to damage to the telescope (camera)	Α	4	Very Low	Calibration of telescope set properly so that rays do not get misguided

Table 4: Risk Register.

4 Experiment Design

4.1 Experiment Setup

- 4.2 Experiment Interfaces
- 4.2.1 Mechanical Interfaces
- 4.2.2 Thermal Interfaces
- 4.2.3 Electrical Interfaces
- 4.2.4 Radio Frequencies (Optional)
- 4.2.5 Thermal (Optional)

4.3 Experiment Components

4.3.1 Electrical Components

4.3.2 Mechanical Components

4.3.3 Other Components

4.4 Mechanical Design

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4.5 Electrical Design

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4.8 Software Design

- 4.8.1 Purpose
- 4.8.2 Design
- 4.8.3 Implementation

4.9 Ground Support Equipm	nent
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5 Experiment Verification and Testing

5.1 Verification Matrix

The verification matrix is made following the standard of ECSS-E-10-02A. [1].

There are four established verification methods:

- A Verification by analysis or similarity
- I Verification by inspection
- R Verification by review-of-design
- T Verification by testing

ID	Requirement text	Method	Reference	Status	Verifica- tion result
F.1	The telescope shall successfully track the celestial bodies of interest.	А, Т	Tests: 4, 5, 9, 10	A: to be done T: to be done	Not veri- fied
F.2	The camera shall take images in the near infrared (NIR) spectrum.	R	Test: 1	R: to be done	Not veri- fied
P.1	The gimbal stabilization system shall point the telescope towards the celestial body with an accuracy of at least 1 arc seconds.	А, Т	Tests: 3, 4, 5, 9, 10	A: to be done T: to be done	Not veri- fied
P.2	The optics shall be cable of making pictures of 0.5-1.5 \times 0.3-1 degrees.	R, T	Test: 1	R: to be done T: to be done	Not veri- fied
P.3	The NIR camera shall make images in the range of 720-850 to 1200 nm.	R	Test: 1	R: to be done	Not veri- fied
P.4	The NIR camera shall have a resolution of at least 16 MP.	R, T	Test: 1	R: to be done T: to be done	Not veri- fied
P.5	The NIR camera shall be able to make images with exposure times between 0.5 and 150 seconds.	R, T	Test: 1	R: to be done T: to be done	Not veri- fied
P.6	The experiment shall measure the location and orientation of the gondola.	A, T	Tests: 3, 4, 5, 9, 10	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.01	The experiment shall be able to operate in the temperature profile of the BEXUS environment.	Т	Test: 2	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.02	The experiment shall be able to operate in the pressure profile of the BEXUS environment.	Т	Test: 2	T: to be done	Not veri- fied

D.03	The experiment shall be able to operate in the vibration profile of the BEXUS environment.	Т	Tests: 8,	T: to be done	Not verified
D.04	The absolute position of the telescope relative to the gondola shall be known with a accuracy of 0.1 degrees.	Т	Tests: 3, 4, 9, 10	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.05	The supporting structure shall not twist by more than 0.1 degrees.	Т	Tests: 9, 10	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.06	The experiment shall never be pointed directly at the sun \pm 27 degrees.	Т	Tests: 4, 9, 10	A: to be done T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.07	The experiment shall be able to fly during the entire day.	Т	Tests: 9,	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.08	The temperature of the NIR camera shall be held at $0\pm5^{\circ}\text{C}$.	Т	Tests: 9,	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.09	The images obtained shall be send to a ground station by the E-link system with a maximum data rate of 1000 kilo bits per second.	Т	Test: 6	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.10	The experiment shall be mounted at the side of the gondola.	Т	Tests: 9,	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.11	The experiment shall not consume more power than 250 Wh.	Т	Tests: 9,	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.12	The volume of the experiment shall not exceed $65 \times 40 \times 40$ cm.	I	Test: 7	I: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.13	The mass of the experiment shall not exceed 20 kg.	I	Test: 7	I: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.14	The experiment shall be able to run for at least 2.5 hours.	Т	Tests: 9, 10	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.15	The experiment shall be able to function autonomously.	Т	Tests: 4, 9, 10	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
D.16	The data stored in the experiment shall be able to survive the landing.	Т	Test: 8	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
0.1	The experiment shall be able to be controlled by the ground station when requested.	Т	Tests: 4,	T: to be done	Not veri- fied
0.2	The experiment shall rotate to a 'safe' location while descending.	Т	Tests: 4, 9, 10	T: to be done	Not veri- fied

Table 5: Verification Matrix.

5.2 Test Plan

5.2.1 Planned Tests

The planned tests are as follows:

Test 01: Optics & Camera;

Test 02: Thermal & pressure test;

Test 03: Electronics;

Test 04: Software with electronics;

Test 05: Control system;

Test 06: Data transfer;

Test 07: Mass & Volume;

Test 08: Drop test (without optics and camera);

Test 09: Gimbal mounted on replicated gondola;

Test 10: Gimbal mounted on a car.

5.2.2 Test Descriptions

Test Number	1
Test Type	Optics & Camera
Test Facility	LTU (outside), Kiruna
Tested Item	Optics & Camera
Test Level/ Procedure and Duration	Verify the design that pictures are only able to be made in the specified NIR spectrum range, with the specified resolution and angular size. Then put the selected optics with camera on a tripod and make picture of all the selected targets. For these tests the NIR filter may be temperately removed (if possible). But all targets should be photographed at least in the NIR spectrum. Test duration: 8 hours (at night).
Test Campaign Duration	1 day
Test Campaign Date	April
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 6: Test 1: Optics & camera ground tested.

Test Number	2
Test Type	Vacuum & freezer
Test Facility	IRF/ EISCAT, Kiruna
Tested Item	Electronics, optics and camera
Test Level/ Procedure and Duration	The electronics, optics and camera should be placed in a vacuum and freezer to test the components functionality with a simulated environment based on the one we expect to encounter. The pressure should be <5 mbar and temperature -80 °C (or atleast colder than -40 °C if not possible) The components may be tested separately, but should function during the test. Test duration: 15 minutes per test on the specified pressure and temperature.
Test Campaign Duration	1 day
Test Campaign Date	Beginning of June
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 7: Test 2: Vacuum and freezer test of atleast the electronics, optics and camera.

Test Number	3
Test Type	Electronics
Test Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Tested Item	Sensors and Actuators
Test Level/ Procedure and Duration	The sensors should first be read out one by one, without the other sensors connected. If multiple sensors or actuators are located on the same PCB, there should also be a test PCB available with each sensor and actuator separated from the prototype phase. Afterwards, the same is done for each actuator. Then, one by one, each sensor and actuator is added to the system to test the system as a whole. Test duration: 5 hours.
Test Campaign Duration	1 day
Test Campaign Date	Beginning of June
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 8: Test 3: Sensors and actuators test.

Test Number	4
Test Type	Software
Test Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Tested Item	Raspberry pi software with electronics connected.
Test Level/ Procedure and Duration	This test should be done after the functionality of the electronics is verified. Then all sensors and actuators should be tested integrated with the software. Let the gimbal be targeting 4 specific points with a separation of 90 degrees. Test if the gimbal stabilize the system when moved and switches targets based on the field of view. The targets should also be able to be switched on the groundstation. Then add a 5th target which it may never look directly at and repeat the test. Test duration: 5 hours.
Test Campaign Duration	1 day
Test Campaign Date	Beginning of June
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 9: Test 4: Software (onboard and ground) with electronics connected test.

Test Number	5
Test Type	Control system
Test Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Tested Item	Control software.
Test Level/ Procedure	This test is done in a simulation program. The program verifies that the control system is able to track moving targets realtime in
The state of the s	,
and Duration	the sky without looking directly at the sun.
	Test duration: 2.5 hours (real time, simulation might be speed
	up).
Test Campaign Duration	1 day
Test Campaign Date	Beginning of June
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 10: Test 5:Control system simulation.

Test Number	6
Test Type	Data transfer
Test Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Tested Item	Controller
Test Level/ Procedure and Duration	Send the pictures, made in test 1, over the telemetry channel and monitor the data packages with the program 'Wireshark' or similar. Write down the telemetry data rate including headers and footers. During the test the connection should be resetted and the buffer should make sure all data will be transferred after the connection comes online again. Test duration: 30 minutes.
Test Campaign Duration	0.5 Day
Test Campaign Date	Beginning of June
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 11: Test 6: Telemetry testing.

Test Number	7
Test Type	Mass & Volume
Test Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Tested Item	Entire system
Test Level/ Procedure and Duration	Weigh the project on a measuring scale and write down the total weight. All components that are also included on the BEXUS balloon should be added. The subsystems may be measured individuality or as a whole. Then measure the volume of the project and write down the volume. Test duration: 30 minutes.
Test Campaign Duration	1 hour
Test Campaign Date	Beginning of June
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 12: Test 7: Check mass and dimensions of entire system.

Test Number	8
Test Type	Drop test
Test Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Tested Item	Electronics and gimbal
Test Level/ Procedure and Duration	Get the electronics and gimbal and put them off. Put them on the replicated gondola in the preferred positions with the attachment material that will also be used during the BEXUS flight. Drop the experiment from 1, 2 and 3 meters high. After every test the functionality of the system should be tested. At least the data logger should survive. Test duration: 1 hour.
Test Campaign Duration	0.5 day
Test Campaign Date	Beginning of June
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 13: Test 8: Drop test of entire system except optics and camera.

Test Number	9
Test Type	Gimbal performance
Test Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Tested Item	Gimbal, software and electronics
Test Level/ Procedure and Duration	Put the entire system in the replicated gondola and montage the system as would be montaged on the BEXUS flight. Let the system in sleep mode for atleast 2 hours (waiting) plus 1.5 hours (ascending) and simulate that the floating phase is reached. Then let the system work for at least 2.5 hours. Move the system around during the floating phase. Then simulate that the descending phase has started. Monitor the power and data usage during this test. Test duration: 6 hours.
Test Campaign Duration	1 week
Test Campaign Date	End of June
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 14: Test 9: Gimbal with all subsystems mounted on a replicated gondola.

Test Number	10
Test Type	Gimbal vibration test
Test Facility	LTU (outside), Kiruna
Tested Item	Gimbal, software and electronics
	Then let the system make images for at least 2.5 hours while being
Test Level/ Procedure	mounted on top of a car. Drive with the slowly car around on a
and Duration	mostly flat survive.
	Test duration: 5 hours.
Test Campaign Duration	1 week
Test Campaign Date	End of June
Test Completed	NO
Requirements verified	NO

Table 15: Test 10: Gimbal mounted on a car to test entire system with vibrations.

5.3 Test Results

The results shown here provide the key information obtained from testing. A full report for each test can be found in Appendix ??.

Verification Number	1
Test Type	Optics & Camera
Facility	LTU (outside), Kiruna
Verified item	Sampling System
Verification description	The camera should make pictures in the NIR spectrum with the specified resolution and angular size. This test is also used to obtain ground made pictures from the targets of interest.
Expected results	The camera makes NIR images from the targets of interest.
Obtained results	
Conclusions	Not verified.

Table 16: Results test 1: Optics & camera ground tested.

Verification Number	2
Test Type	Vacuum & freezer
Facility	IRF/ EISCAT, Kiruna
Verified item	Electronics, optics and camera
Verification description	The electronics, optics and camera withstand a pressure of
	<5 mbar and a temperature of atleast -40 °C.
Expected results	The system controls the temperature if the temperature almost
	gets below the minimum temperature specified. The system is
	also able to survive in a $<$ 5 mbar environment.
Obtained results	
Conclusions	Not verified.

Table 17: Results test 2: Vacuum and freezer test of atleast the electronics, optics and camera.

Verification Number	3
Test Type	Electronics
Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Verified item	Sensors and actuators
Verification description	The specified range and accuracy of each sensor and actuator are being met, even after integration. The sensors are read out by the same board that is used for the onboard control system and read out on a display.
Expected results	Each sensor and actuator works separated and integrated together within the specified accuracy.
Obtained results	
Conclusions	Not verified.

Table 18: Results test 3: Sensors and actuators test.

Verification Number	4
Test Type	Software
Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Verified item Raspberry Pi software with electronics connected.	
Verification description	Program four targets of interest and move the gimbal around. Determine if the targets are being followed. Then add a 5th point that the gimbal should never point, or around with the specified angle, and determine that this never happens. Connect the ground station and check if the system can be controlled remotely.
Expected results	The gimbal is able to chose targets and keeps it tracked and a specific target will never be looked directly at or nearby.
Obtained results	
Conclusions	Not verified.

Table 19: Results test 4: Software (onboard and ground) with electronics connected test.

Verification Number	5	
Test Type	Control system	
Facility	LTU, Kiruna	
Verified item Control software		
Verification description	In a simulation program the control system is verified. The targets with movement are inserted in this simulation.	
Expected results	The gimbal is able to chose the specified targets and keeps it tracked and a specific target (sun) will never be looked directly at or nearby.	
Obtained results		
Conclusions	Not verified.	

Table 20: Results test 5: Control system simulation.

Verification Number	6
Test Type	Data transfer
Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Verified item Controller	
Verification description	The data packages will be monitored by 'Wireshark' or a simular program and the data rate is below the specified data rate. The data gets buffered while being connection is lost.
Expected results	The data rate is below the specified data rate and the data gets buffered while the connection is lost.
Obtained results	
Conclusions	Not verified.

Table 21: Results test 6: Telemetry testing.

Verification Number	7
Test Type	Mass & Volume
Facility	LTU, Kiruna
Verified item	Entire system
Verification description	The mass and volume of the experiment gets measured.
Expected results	The mass and volume are below the specified values.
Obtained results	
Conclusions	Not verified.

Table 22: Results test 7: Check mass and dimensions of entire system.

Verification Number	8
Test Type	Drop test
Facility LTU, Kiruna	
Verified item	
Verification description	The electronics and gimbal get droped, mounted on a replicated gondola, from a height of 1, 2 and 3 meters and atleast the data logger survives.
Expected results	The data logger survives but the gimbal might break depending on the impact.
Obtained results	
Conclusions	Not verified.

Table 23: Results test 8: Drop test of entire system except optics and camera.

Verification Number	9	
Test Type	Gimbal performance	
Facility	LTU, Kiruna	
Verified item	Gimbal, software and electronics	
	The test is run for atleast 6 hours. The system is slightly moved	
Verification description	during the last 2.5 hours, while the images are made. The power	
	and data usage is monitored during the test.	
	The system is able to work for atleast 6 hours with the specified	
Expected results	power and data usage. The images are the same as made from a	
	static point.	
Obtained results		
Conclusions	Not verified.	

Table 24: Results test 9: Gimbal with all subsystems mounted on a replicated gondola.

Verification Number	10	
Test Type	Gimbal vibration test	
Facility	LTU (outside), Kiruna	
Verified item Gimbal, software and electronics		
	The entire system including the replicated gondola is mounted on	
Verification description	top of a car and the images takes are compared to the images	
	taken while being static.	
Expected results	The system is able to work with the vibrations and movement from	
Expected results	the car, the images obtained are the same.	
Obtained results		
Conclusions	Not verified.	

Table 25: Results test 10: Gimbal mounted on a car to test entire system with vibrations.

6 Launch Campaign Preparations

6.1 Input for the Campaign / Flight Requirements Plans

6.1.1 Dimensions and Mass

The data shown in Table 26 below is based on the design presented in Section 4.4.

	XXX	XXX	TOTAL
Experiment mass [kg]			
Experiment dimensions [m]			
Experiment footprint area $[m^2]$			
Experiment volume $[m^3]$			
	X = cm $Y = cm$ $Z = cm$	X = cm	X = cm
Experiment expected COG position	Y = cm	Y = cm	Y = cm
	Z = cm	Z = cm	Z = cm

Table 26: Experiment Summary Table.

6.1.2 Safety Risks

Table 27 contains the risks of all stages of the whole campaign and project.

Risk	Key Characteristics	Mitigation
Moving telescope	A telescope is stabilized in three axis. Therefore there is the risk	Adding additional components that at least a double component
lens	that the motor will start turning uncontrollable.	failure should occur before there is any risk.
Sharp edges, ma- chines aluminum	Sheet and tubing, some sharp edges exist after machining.	Deburr edges where possible. Contain sharp edges in tough material. During transportation, use protective gloves when handling if sharp edges are still present.
Massive bulky structure	The mass of the assembly poses risk of trapped and damaged digits or feet being crushed.	Order of assembly should be well thought out and practiced. At least two people are present during assembly and that there is a dedicated space for assembly.
Parts dropping from gondola	Parts are heavy enough to cause harm if they fall onto people.	All parts sufficiently fastened. Testing conducted to ensure fastening is able to hold all parts in place in case of turbulence. Where possible, add assurance by adding additional fixations.

Table 27: Experiment safety risks.

6.1.3 Electrical Interfaces

Please refer to Table 28 for details on the electrical interfaces with the gondola.

	BEXUS Electrical Interfaces		
	E-link Interface:		
	Number of E-link interfaces		
	Data rate - Downlink		
	Data rate - Uplink		
	Interface type (RS232, Ethernet)		
Power system: Gondola power required?			
	Peak power (or current) consumption:		
	Average power (or current consumption)		
Power system: Experiment includes batteries?			

Table 28: Electrical Interface Table.

6.1.4 Launch Site Requirements

6.1.5 Flight Requirements

The flight requirements for the IRISC experiment are stated below.

- **Desired float altitude:** A height of >20 km is adequate for this experiment. However, a higher altitude will improve the signal to noise ratio.
- **Desired float duration:** We need a floating time of at least 90 min in order to collect sufficient amount of data. A longer floating time would desirable.
- **Required launch time:** A partial night flight would be preferable because there is less interference with the sun and a wider range of view. However, the system will be designed to be able to function during the entire day.

6.1.6 Accommodation Requirements

6.2	Preparation and Test Activities at Esrange		

6.3 Timeline for Countdown and Flight

Table 29 is the estimated timeline during countdown and flight.

Time	Altitude	Events
T-	0	
T-	0	
T-3H	0	Experiment is switched on external power
T-3H	0	Experiment goes to Standby mode
T-1H	0	Experiment switches to internal power
T=0	0	Lift-off
T+1s	\sim 5 meter	Experiment goes to Normal - Ascent mode
T+	km	
T+	km	
T+~1.5H	\sim 25 km	Float Phase
T+~2.5H	\sim 25 km	Cut-off
T+~2.6H	\sim 25 km	Experiment goes to Normal - Descent mode
T+~2.75H	\sim 20 km	Parachute is deployed
T+	km	
T+	km	

Table 29: Countdown and Flight Estimated Timeline.

- 6.4 Post Flight Activities
- 6.4.1 Recovery Checklist
- 6.4.2 Analysis Preparation

7 Data Analysis and Results

- 7.1 Data Analysis Plan
- 7.1.1 Analysis Strategy

7.2 Launch Campaign

7.2.1 Flight preparation activities during launch campaign

The flight preparations can be found in Section 6.2.

7.2.2 Flight performance

7.2.3 Recovery

7.2.4 Post flight activities

7.3 Results

No results for now. More will come after the launch campaign in an updated version of the SED.

7.3.1 Expected Results

7.4 Lessons Learned

7.4.1 Management

- Friendship
- Sleep deprivation

7.4.2 Scientific

- Friendship
- Sleep deprivation

7.4.3 Electrical

- Friendship
- Sleep deprivation

7.4.4 Software

- Friendship
- Sleep deprivation

7.4.5 Mechanical

- Friendship
- Sleep deprivation

7.4.6 Thermal

- Friendship
- Sleep deprivation

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8.1 Abbreviations

8.2 References

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Appendix A Experiment Reviews

Appendix B Outreach



Appendix D Checklists