

Jet Propulsion Laboratory STAR Award

This STAR Award is presented to

Thomas Touma

Thank you to the CoSTAR [Collaborative Subterranean Autonomous Resilient Robots] team's development of novel and cutting-edge autonomy, perception, and mobility capabilities enabling robots to explore unknown subsurface voids, urban structures and caves autonomously. This team's efforts led to the first place win in the Urban Circuit of DARPA Subterranean Challenge in February 2020, vs 11 international teams for Fully Autonomous navigation & detect mission, maintaining JPL's national leadership in autonomy in extreme environments.

Achieved in February of 2020

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