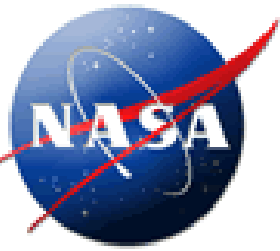


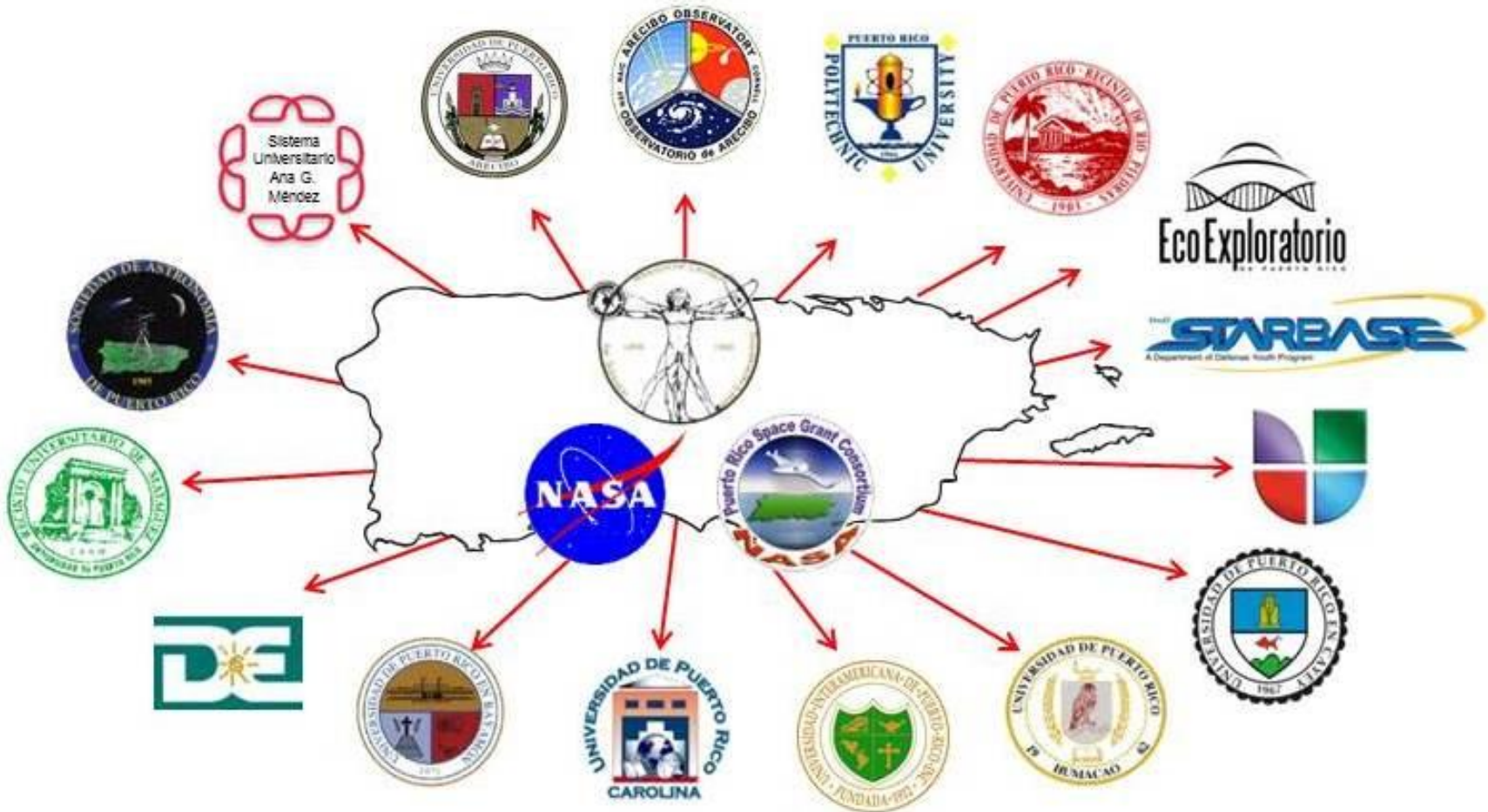
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Project Title: Mechanisms of Tropical Ecosystem Functions in Responses to Land Use and Climate Changes

PI: Dr. Qiong Gao, UPR Río Piedras

Project Title: Transport Properties of Graphene in the Presence of Disorder and Many-Body Effects

PI: Dr. Julian Velez, UPR Río Piedras

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Project Title: Developing Holey Graphene Nanosheets and their Nanocomposites Towards High Performance Energy Storage

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Rocket Satellite Project (O. Resto + COSGC + NASA Wallops)

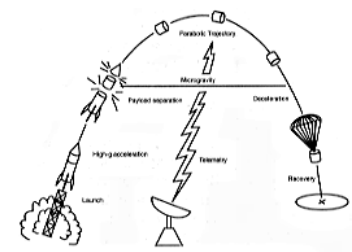
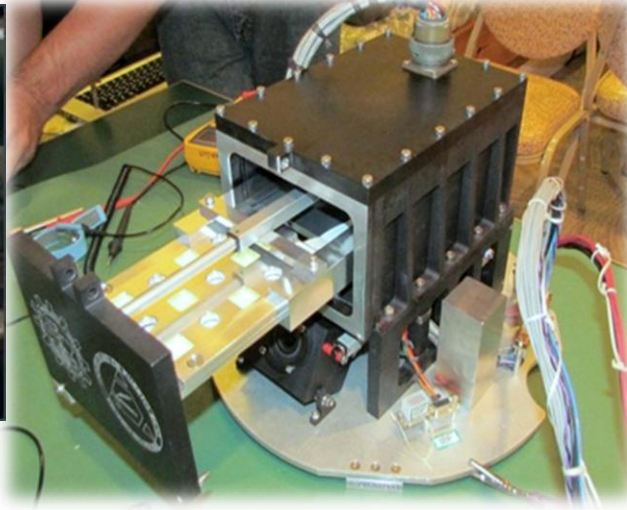
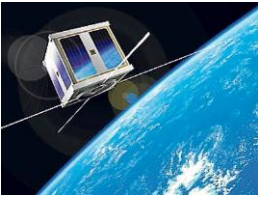


Figure 5. Rocket Parabolic Flight Profile.



Astrobiology: sampling the atmosphere for life forms capable of surviving in extreme environments.



Cube Satellite Project

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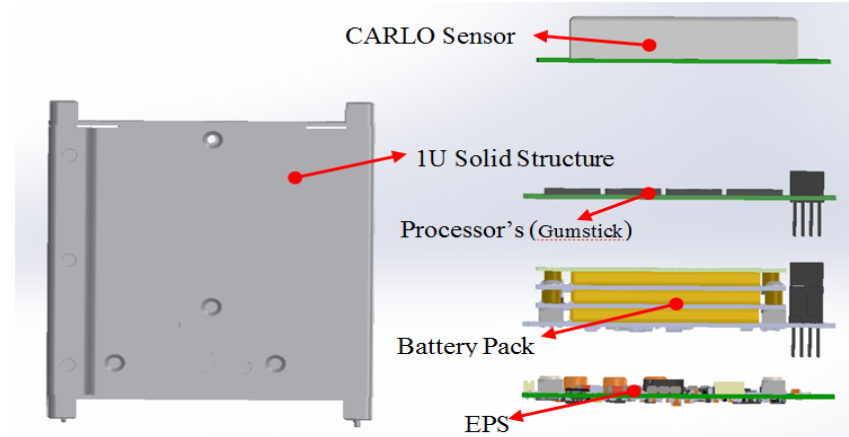
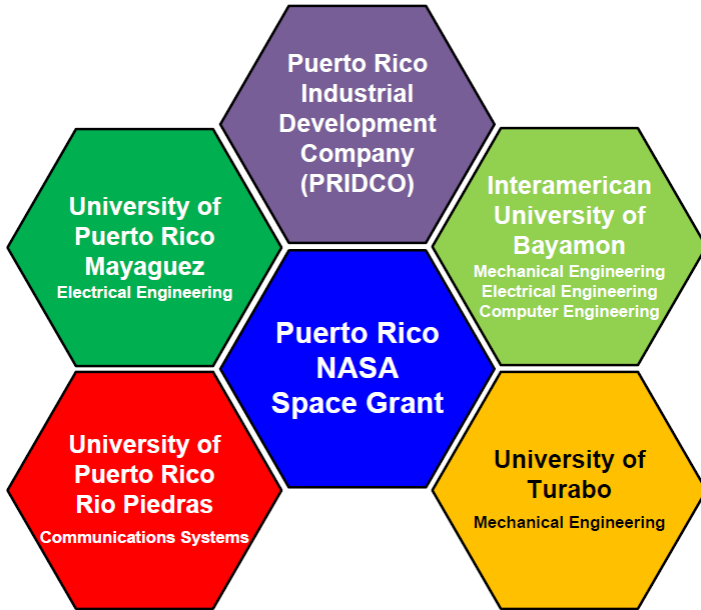
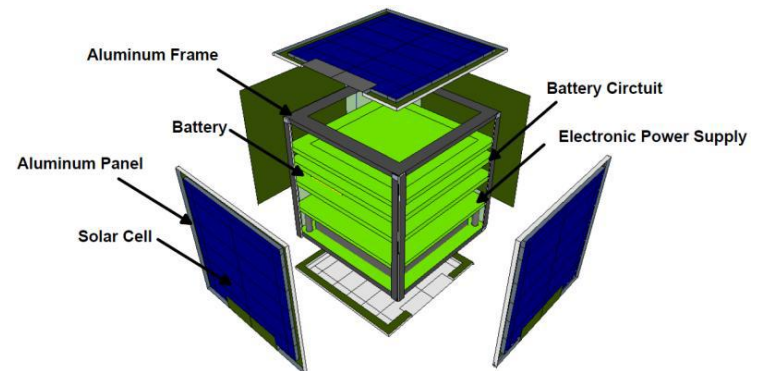
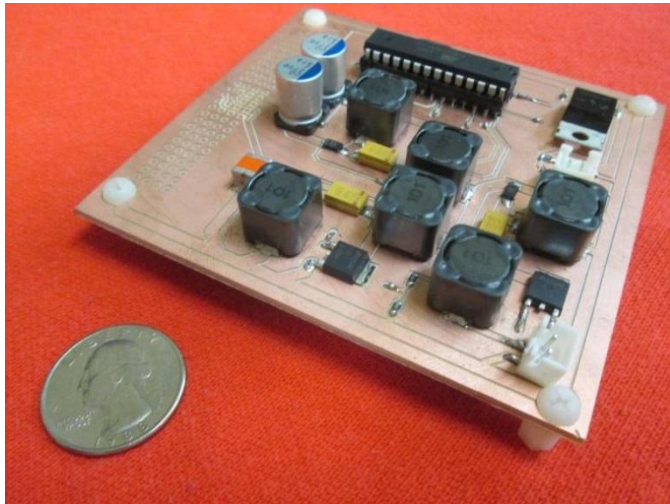


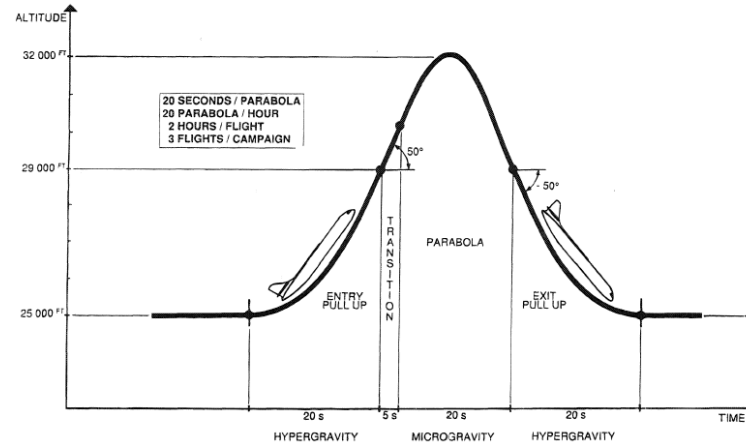
Figure 3. 1U CubeSat like proposed package

Charge Analyzer Responsive to Local Oscillations (CARLO) was designed to measure turbulence in the ambient space plasma ions up to 10 kHz.



Microgravity Experiments

E. Nicolau and C. Cabrera (UPR) + M. Flynn (NASA ARC)



Performance of a nanocatalyst-based direct ammonia alkaline fuel cell (DAAFC) under microgravity conditions for water reclamation and energy applications.