

Mars Program Science Calendar

Second Quarter, 2003

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June 2: MEX Launch window, Baikonur
June 8: MER-A Launch window opens
June 22-23: MER PSG at Cocoa Beach, Florida
June 22: IMEWG meeting, Holiday Inn Cocoa Beach, Florida
June 25: MER-B Launch scheduled

Third Quarter, 2003

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July 2: Mars Express Science Working Team (SWT) meeting at the European Space Operation Centre (ESOC), Darmstadt, Germany
July 13-18: Gordon Research Conference, "Origin of Life", Bates College, Maine
July 20-25: 6th International Conference on Mars, Caltech, Pasadena, CA (Contact = Arden Albee, Caltech; preregistration deadline 6-16-03; <http://www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/sixthmars2003/>)
July 28–Aug. 1: 66th Annual Meteoritical Society Meeting, Münster, Germany (abstract deadline 4-24-03)
Aug. TBD: Mars Scout Selection for Flight
Aug. 5–7: Third International Conference on Large Meteorite Impacts, Nördlingen, Germany (abstracts due May 15, 2003)
Sept. TBD: MSL Concept Review
Sept. 2-6: AAS Division of Planetary Sciences Meeting, Monterey, CA, <http://dps03.arc.nasa.gov>, (abs. deadline 07-01-03)
Sept. 10-11: MEPAG meeting, JPL, Pasadena, CA
Sept 15-16: MRO PSG
Sept. 7-12: 13th Annual Goldschmidt Conference, Kurashiki-Sakuyo University, Kurashiki, Japan. www.ics-inc.co.jp/gold2003/ (abs. deadline = May 5, 2003).
Sept. 26-28: 3rd European Mars Conference, Bremen, Germany (abstract deadline = 8-01-03)

Fourth Quarter, 2003

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Oct. 7-10, 2003: The 4th Harsh-Environment Mass Spectrometry Workshop, St. Petersburg Beach, FL, (abs. deadline = 08-15-03). <http://cot.marine.usf.edu/hems/workshop/index.htm>
Oct. 13-17. Third International Conference on Mars Polar Science and Exploration, Fairmont Chateaux in Lake Louise, Alberta. Contact = Steve Clifford, LPI. Abstract Deadline is July 16, 2003
Oct 23: MRO PSG
Oct. 27-29: Vernadsky-Brown Microsymposium 38, Moscow. Contact Jim Head, Brown Univ.
Oct. 28-30: Space Resources Roundtable V, Colorado School of Mines, Golden, CO. Indication of interest due by 06-15-03. Contact = Mike Duke.
Nov. 2-5: Geological Society of America national meeting, Seattle, Wash. (abs. deadline = 07-15-03). <http://www.geosociety.org/meetings/2003/>
Nov. 18-20: Astrobiology meeting in Spain (tentative)
Dec. 8-12: Fall meeting, AGU, San Francisco, California (abs. deadline = 09-04-03). <http://www.agu.org/meetings/fm03/>
Dec 25 (UTC): MEX MOI/Beagle-2 EDL (0200-0300 UTC, which is Dec. 24 in the U.S.)

2004

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Jan 1: Nozomi MOI
Jan 4: MER-A Landing
Jan. 4-7, 2004: "Habitation 2004", an international conference on space habitation research and technology development, Orlando, Florida (abs. deadline extended to June 16, 2003)
Jan. 4-8 2004: American Astronomical Society meeting, Atlanta, GA
Jan 25: MER-B Landing
Mar 15-19: Lunar and Planetary Sci. Conf., Houston, TX (abstracts due TBD)
Mar 15, 2004 (proposed): Release of MSL Announcement of Opportunity
Mar 27-Apr 1: Astrobiology Science Conference 2004, ARC, Mountain View, CA.
Apr. 26 (approx): End of Primary Mission (Sol 90) for MER-B
May 17-21: Joint Meeting: AGU, Canadian Geophysical Union (CGU) - Montreal, Quebec
May 30-Jun 3: American Astronomical Society meeting, Denver, CO
June 6-12: 14th V.M. Goldschmidt Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark.
<http://www.goldschmidt2004.dk/>
Jun 15, 2004 (proposed): Deadline for responses to MSL Announcement of Opportunity
Jun 16-17 (under consideration): MEPAG meeting, location = TBD
Aug. 20-28: 32nd International Geological Congress, Florence, Italy (www.32igc.org).
Aug. 24: End of Mars Odyssey Primary Science Mission
Sept. TBD: Mars Telesat Concept Review
Oct 15, 2004 (approximate): Selections resulting from MSL Announcement of Opportunity
Oct 22: MRO PSG
Nov. 7-12: AAS Division of Planetary Sciences Meeting, Louisville, KY
Nov. 7-10: Geological Society of America national meeting, Denver, Colo.
Dec. 13-17: Fall meeting, AGU, San Francisco, California.
2004 TBD, Annual Meteoritical Society Meeting, Rio de Janeiro, contact Dr. Rosa Scorzelli.

2005

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Jan. 9-13 2005: American Astronomical Society meeting, San Diego, CA
Mar TBD: Lunar and Planetary Sci. Conf., Houston, TX (abstracts due TBD)
May 29 -Jun. 2 2005: American Astronomical Society meeting, Minneapolis, MN
July 29: MRO PSG
Aug 5: MRO Launch
Sep. 4-9: AAS Division of Planetary Sciences Meeting, Cambridge, England,
<http://ast.star.rl.ac.uk/forum/dps2005.html>
Sept. 11-16, Annual Meteoritical Society Meeting, Gatlinberg, Tennessee, USA;. Contact Dr. Hap McSween.
Sept. 2005: Mars Telesat PMSR
Oct. 16-19: Geological Society of America national meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah
Dec. TBD: Fall meeting, AGU, San Francisco, California.

2006

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Jan. 8-12 2006: American Astronomical Society meeting, Washington, DC
Mar 1: MRO MOI
Mar TBD: Lunar and Planetary Sci. Conf., Houston, TX (abstracts due TBD)

June 2006: American Astronomical Society meeting, Calgary –Proposed,
June 2006: Mars Telesat PDR
Oct. 22-25: Geological Society of America national meeting, Philadelphia, Penn.
Dec. TBD: Fall meeting, AGU, San Francisco, California.
2006 TBD, Annual Meteoritical Society Meeting, Zurich, Switzerland, contact Dr. Rainer Wieler.

2007

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June 2007: Mars Telesat CDR
2007 TBD, Annual Meteoritical Society Meeting, Tucson, Arizona. Contact Dr. Tim Jull
Oct. 28-31: Geological Society of America national meeting, Denver, CO.

2008

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June 2008: Mars Telesat ARR

2009

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October 2009: Launch Period Opens

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