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# SCSDK HERITAGE

*Launch – Launched - Deployed*

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Annex 1: Space Composite Structures DENMARK  
Quality



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Annex 2:  
Relevant heritage

COMPOSITES & BONDING – THE HIGHLIGHTES

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**Customer:** RAL University (ESA/NASA)

**Mission:** James Webb Space Telescope

**Task:** design, manufacturing, bonding, testing.

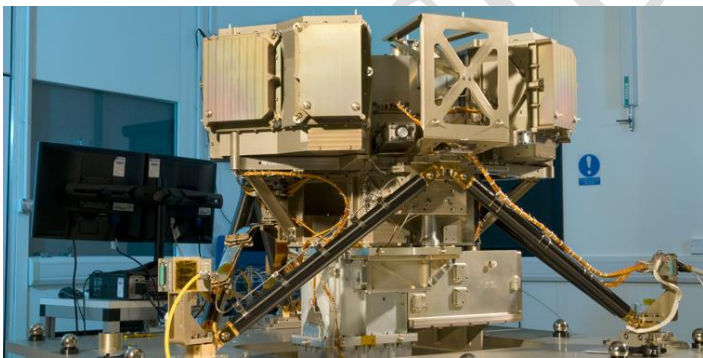
**Year:** 2013 - 2016

**Status:** deployed

Invar/CFRP CTE=0 struts for hexapod structure on Mid Infrared Sensor on JWST, ESA contribution.  
The contract extended to thermal shroud struts



Hexapod struts shipped in formation



SCSDK struts integrated on the instrument



Threaded fitting struts for Thermal Shroud



**Customer:** AIRBUS DEFENCE & SPACE – GERMANY

**Mission:** AYAP 1

**Task:** Design, Calculations, FINITE ELEMENT ANALYSIS, CFRP/Honeycomb antenna parabola manufacturing, bonding,

**Year:** 2023 and on

**Status:** Scheduled for launch 2024

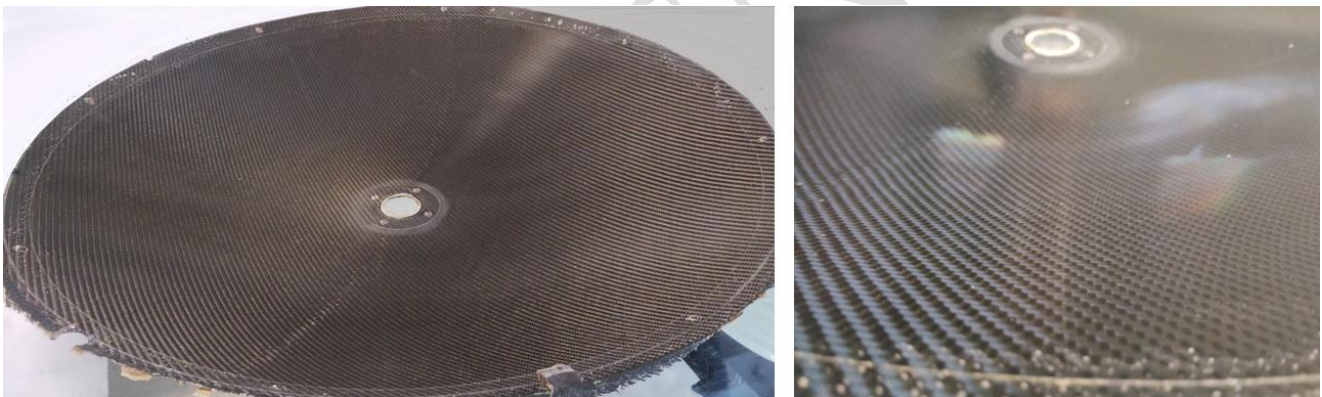
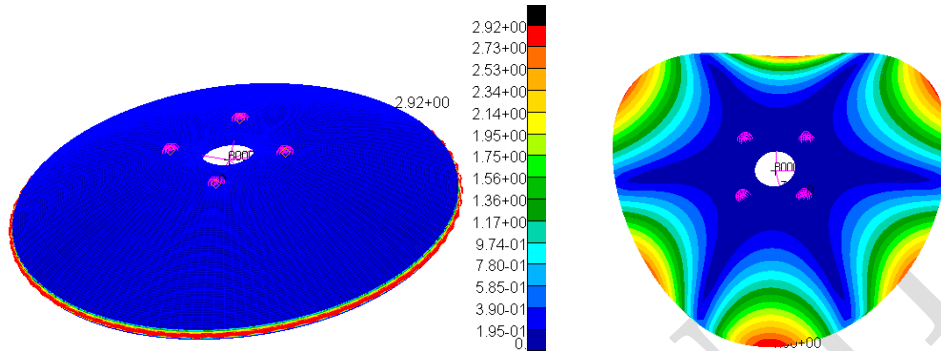


Figure 1 CFRP Skins for CFRP/honeycomb sandwich parabola

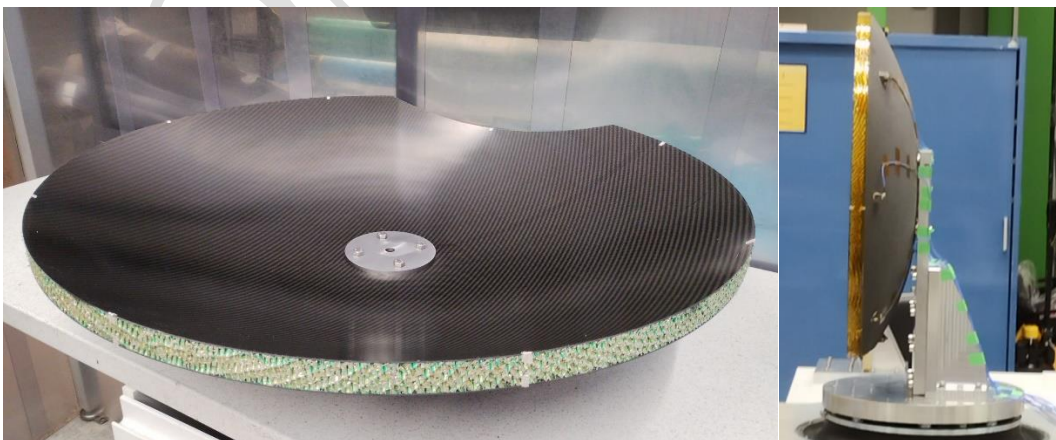


Figure 2 Sandwich antenna

**Customer:** AIRBUS DEFENCE & SPACE – UNITED KINGDOM

**Mission:** ROSALIND FRANKLIN (ESA/NASA)

**Task:** Design, Calculations, FINITE ELEMENT ANALYSIS, manufacturing, bonding, tests

**Year:** 2024 and on

**Status:** Scheduled for launch 2026

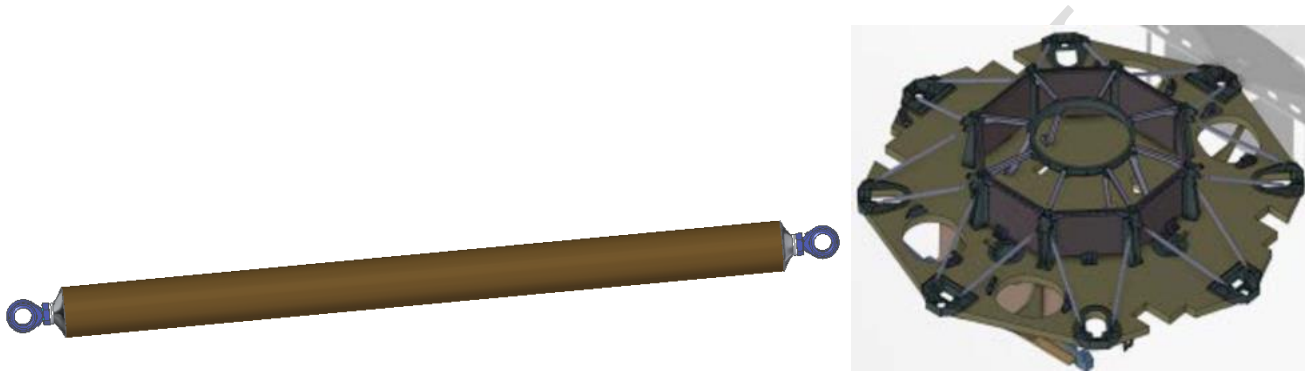


Figure 3 CFRP/Titanium support struts for Landing Platform

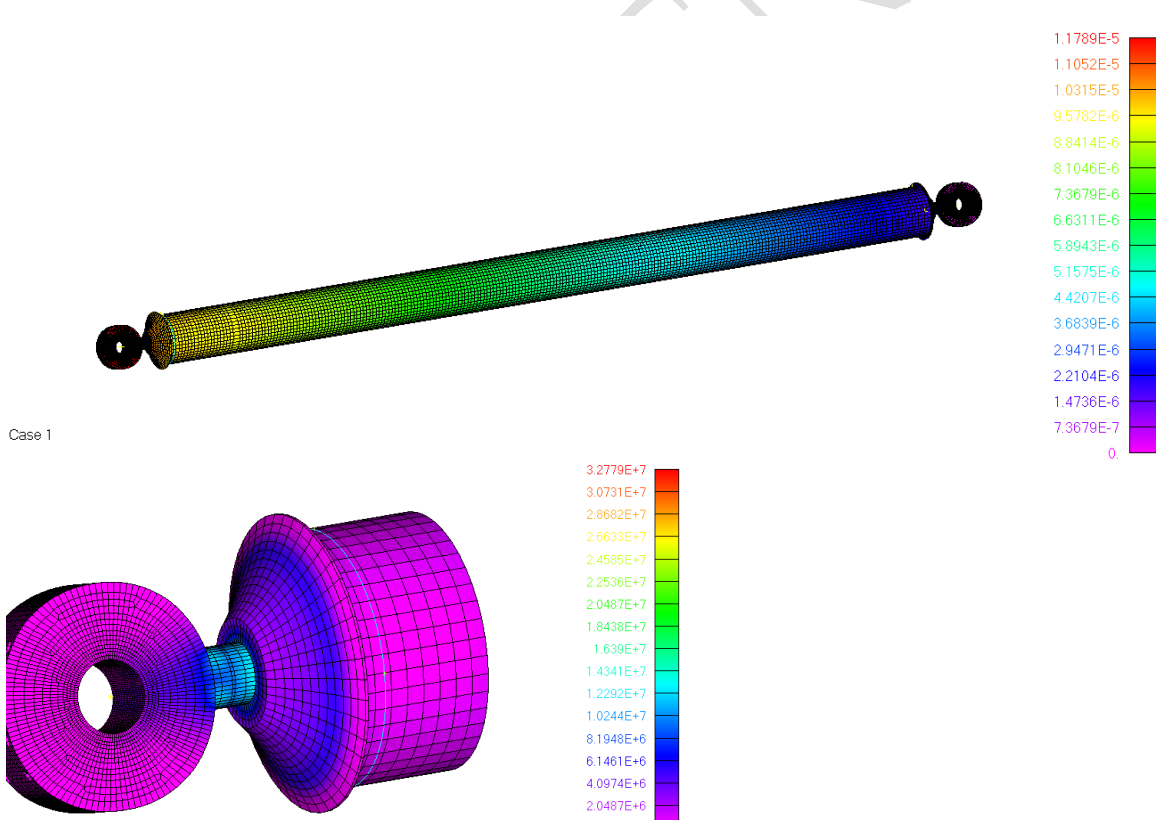


Figure 4 Finite Element Analysis is details



**Customer:** DTU Space, RAL University, ESA

**Mission:** ARIEL

**Task:** Filament winding, bonding, coating, test of instrument bi-pods.

**Year:** 2019 and on

**Status:** Scheduled for launch 2025

On-going. SCSDK is support to development and manufacturing of instrument bi-pods. The solution is based on SCSDK product BLACK STRUTS, 100% CFRP solution (see elsewhere in this document)

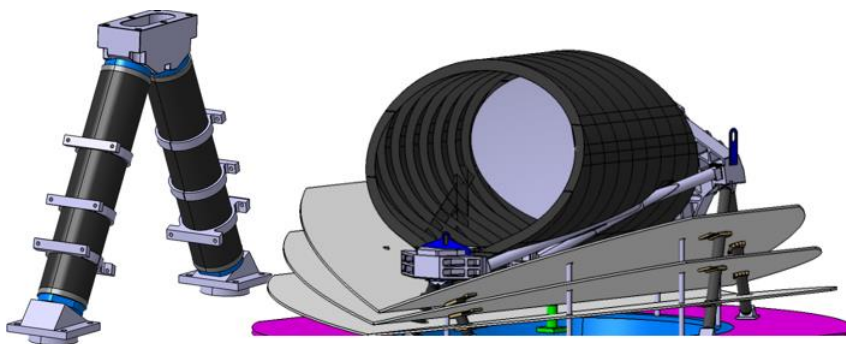


Figure 5 ARIEL Instrument Alu/Alu panels and Bi-pods. Bi-pod struts are SCSDK unique product Black Struts



Figure 6 First test model

**Customer:** THALES ALENIA SPACE - FRANCE

**Mission:** COPERNICUS CO2M

**Task:** Design, Calculations, filament winding, bonding, coating, test of instrument bi-pods.

**Year:** 2020 and on

**Status:** Scheduled for launch 2025

On-going. SCSDK is contracted for design, development and manufacturing of instrument bi-pods



Figure 7 Deformation of the first axial mode + Thermal load on CFR Tube, cold



Figure 8 Bipods in Final configuration





**Customer:** ESA

**Mission:** **ESA study** HIGH PERFORMANCE CFRP STRUTS – BLACK STRUTS, CORE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM (Threaded version for ARIEL)

**Task:** Design, Filament winding, bonding, no-cut-fibers-hole winding, verification

**Year:** 2019 and on

TRL6 delivered. TRL7 on-going. **Showcasing filament winding of no-cut-fiber-hole**

- Struts have following components:
  - o CFRP tube
  - o Metallic fittings
- Fittings bonded to tube using epoxy adhesive
- Fittings are typically aluminum, titanium or steel
- Fittings represent up to 90% of the strut's overall mass

Goal of the project: develop, manufacture and test 100% CFRP strut, no metal, affordable, very low CTE/CME, no broken fibers, and save more than 30% of mass

Results achieved, new struts, Black Struts beats the reference struts in all performance aspects and achieve +50% mass savings

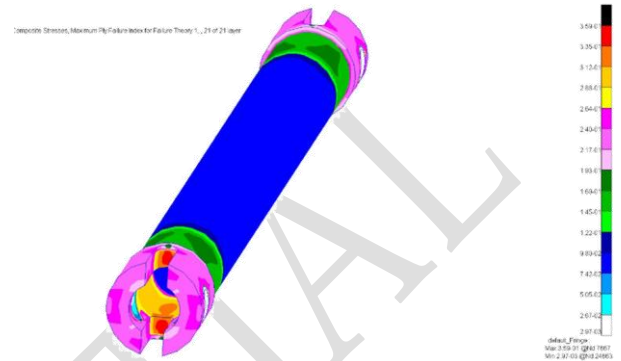


Figure 9 Close up on pin holes: no-cut-fibers



Figure 10 BLACK STRUTS, size Ø47, threaded fitting in action for ARIEL mission

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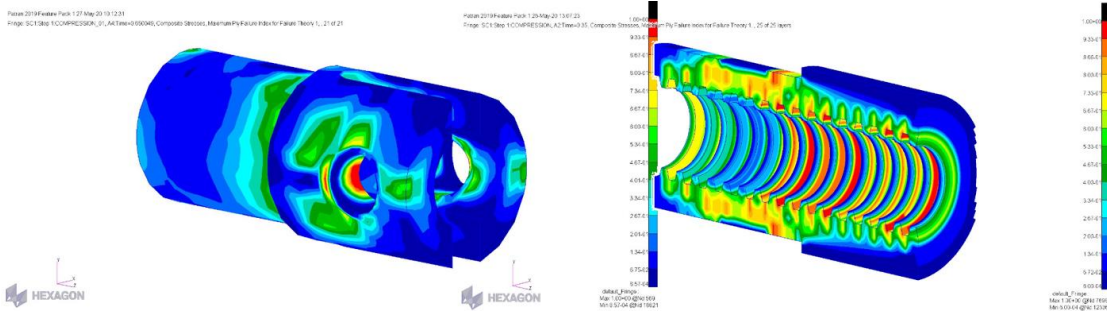


Figure 11 The whole strut has a mass of one equivalent INVAR metallic fitting



Figure 12 Black Struts series



**Customer:** WEIBEL Scientific

**Mission:** Ground Defence Radar

**Task:** design, manufacturing, bonding, coating, test of Radar axle.

**Year:** 2016

**Status:** deployed

Delivered. Examples of large diameter precision CFRP structures catering for filament winding & adhesive bonding with large metallic rings: here shown radar elevation axle with bonded metallic interfaces and after-machining of interface holes for tight tolerances. Estimated TRL6 (current temperature spec is in line with MIL-810G requirements)



Figure 13 BASELINE: Monolith filament wound cylinder, example of Central tube similar size item



Figure 14 After-machining of bonded structure to achieve tight tolerances


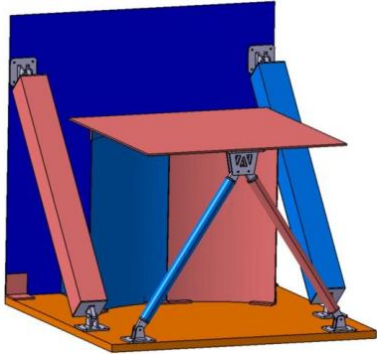


The List

| Contract Name (Role)                        | Description   | Year        | Funding | Results (Direct & Indirect), and Lessons Learned   | Illustrations   |
|---|---|-------------|---------|--|---|
| Instrument struts, manufacturing            | CFRP/Invar struts, manufacturing, <b>James Webb Space Telescope</b> mission TRL9        | 2013        | NASA    | CTE = 0 struts, tested to -256C<br><b>Launched 2021</b>                                  |     |
| Mast Structure Subsystem                    | <b>Mars Sample Fetch Rover Robotic Arm</b> , CFRP/Titanium                              | On-going    | ESA     | Heritage design and manufacturing (Solar Orbiter & JUICE booms)<br><b>Launch 2024</b>    |     |
| Instrument boom, manufacturing              | CFRP/Titanium <b>boom</b> sections for <b>Solar Orbiter</b> mission, manufacturing TRL9 | 2015        | ESA     | Delivered according to the spec<br><b>Launched 2020</b>                                  |    |
| Central Tube struts, design & manufacturing | Alu/C(G)FRP struts, design and manufacturing TRL9                                       | 2010 - 2017 | IAI     | Delivered according to the spec<br><b>Launched since 1991</b>                            |   |
| Instrument Struts, design & manufacturing   | Titanium/CFRP <b>struts</b> , design and manufacturing, <b>ExoMars</b> mission TRL8     | 2014-2017   | ESA     | Delivered according to the spec, very demanding manufacturing<br><b>Launch postponed</b> |  |
| Anisogrid structure, design & manufacturing | Low cost manufacturing of Anisogrid structure TRL3                                      | On-going    | ESA     | Several prototypes in different pattern/size   |  |





| Contract Name (Role)   | Description  | Year      | Funding | Results (Direct & Indirect), and Lessons Learned                               | Illustrations  |
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| High performance struts, design & manufacturing                      | CFRP/CFRP struts, design and manufacturing TRL6  | Ongoing   | ESA     | 100 % CFRP struts, CTE=0, CME=0, 60% mass savings                              |    |
| Instrument Bipods, design & manufacturing                            | CTE=0 Bipods, design and manufacturing for <b>ARIEL mission</b> TRL6                   | Ongoing   | ESA     | Low CTE, shall survive 50 Kelvin, high thermal conductivity <b>Launch 2025</b> |    |
| Mars Wind Turbine  | CFRP Wind Turbine vertical wing design, manufacturing & assembly                       | Delivered | ESA     | Successful delivery of demanding hardware                                      |   |
| Novelty techniques for CFRP Structures NDI – Manufacturing & testing | CFRP/CFRP/Metallic struts, design and manufacturing, void placement & Ultrasonic NDI   | Delivered | ESA     | Correlation between voids & NDI  |   |
| HF.VHF Tubular Deployable Antenna, design and manufacturing          | Development, manufacturing and test of deployable compact flexible tubular antenna arm | Delivered | ESA     | Proven manufacturability for Titanium and CFRP solution                        |    |

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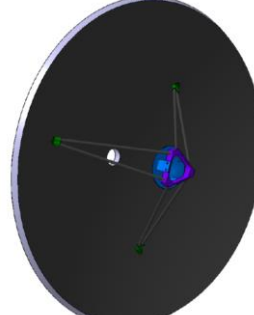
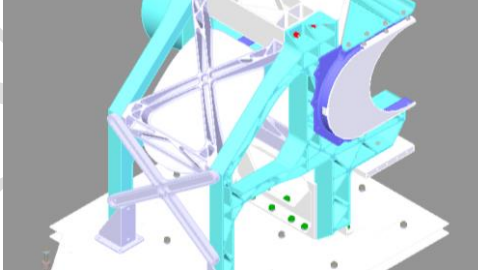
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| Instrument BiPods, Mechanical & Thermal | CFRP/GFRP/Metallic struts, design and manufacturing for COPERNICUS CO2M mission TRL6             | Ongoing | ESA     | Mechanical & Thermal Capabilities  |   |
| AYAP-1                                  | CFRP/Honeycomb Sandwich parabolic antenna with titanium interfaces. Design, manufacturing & test | Ongoing | AIRBUS  | Mechanical & Thermal Capabilities  |  |
| Instrument Structure Complete           | Detailed design on component level and all manufacturing & test of entire instrument             | Ongoing | ESA     | Mechanical & Thermal Capabilities<br>CFRP panel, alu structure, assembly, test |  |



Figure 15 Inhouse manufacturing from left: Filament winding of CFRP tube, digital controlled CNC, struts in bonding jig



**Figure 16** ISO 8 soft wall cleanroom (installed in October 2018), mainly for bonding, cleaning & contamination control purposes



**Figure 17** Thin flat CFRP panels vacuum infusion





*Machined parts in aluminum*

**Customer:** AIRBUS (France)

**Mission:** METOP SG

**Task:** design, manufacturing 123 assemblies, coating (Black Paint & Kapton tape), heaters bonding, test.

**Year:** DELIVERED 2017 / 2018

**Status:** deployed

Delivered. STM Units mimic METOPSG scientific instruments in mass, centre of gravity and thermal behavior meaning that SCSDK has designed, manufactured, verified by test and delivered a high number of flight-spec components and assemblies without rejects. Solutions used: high precision machining of 7075 Aluminium components ordered and controlled supplier in Slovenia, Kapton tape & Aeroglaze Black paint ordered and controlled supplier in Denmark, implementation of thermal control (bonding of heaters), final assembly, test & inspection done in-house @ SCSDK

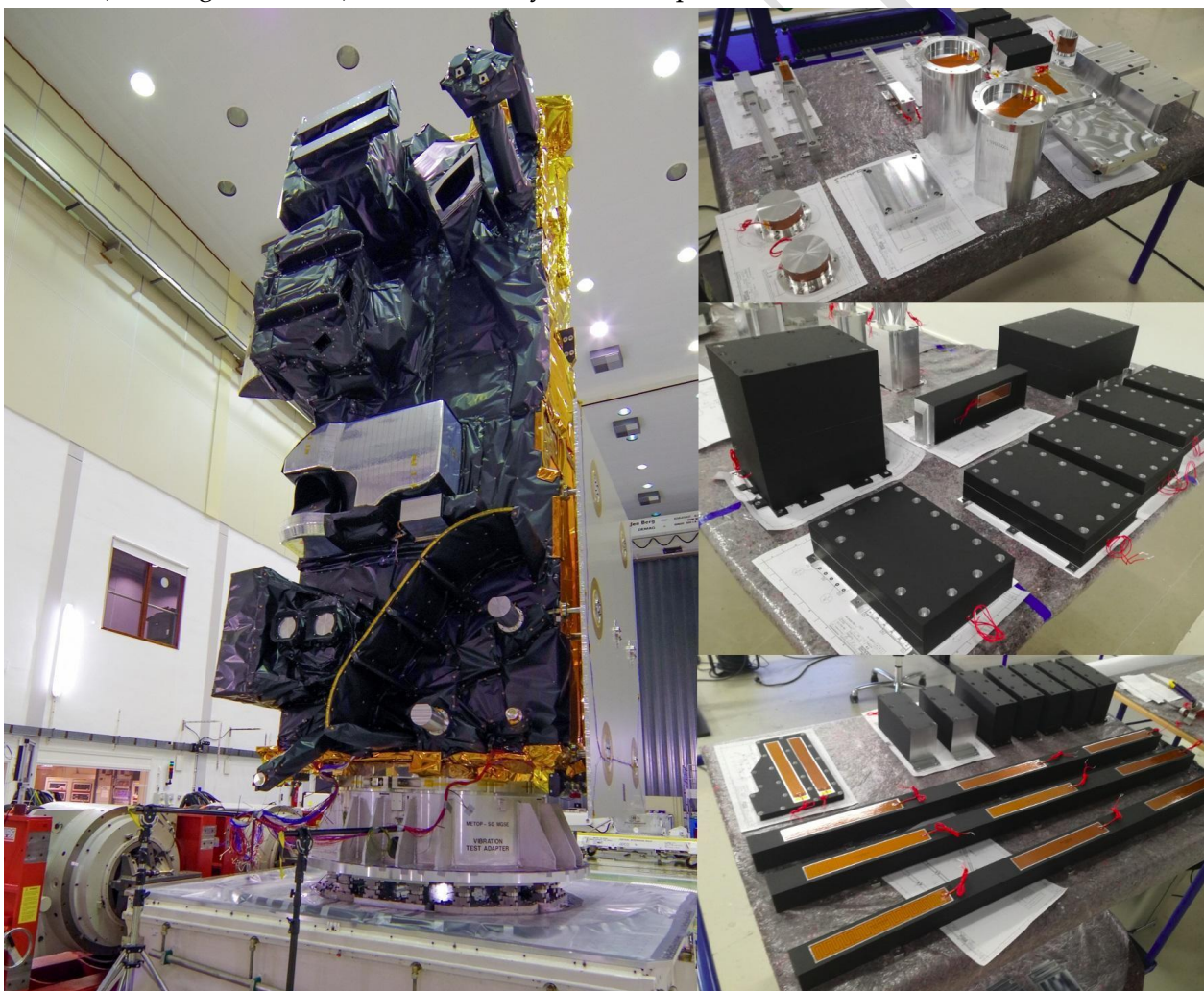


Figure 18 STM Units mimics real Scientifics instruments (Photo: European Test Services B.V & SCSDK)





**Customer:** Omnisys Instruments

**Mission:** ARCTIC WEATHER SATELLITE

**Task:** Design, manufacturing, test of entire instrument structure

**Year:** 2021 - 2023

**Status:** Scheduled for launch 2024

SCSDK is responsible for detailed design on component level and all manufacturing & test of entire instrument for Arctic Weather Satellite. Aluminum 7075 + helicoil installation

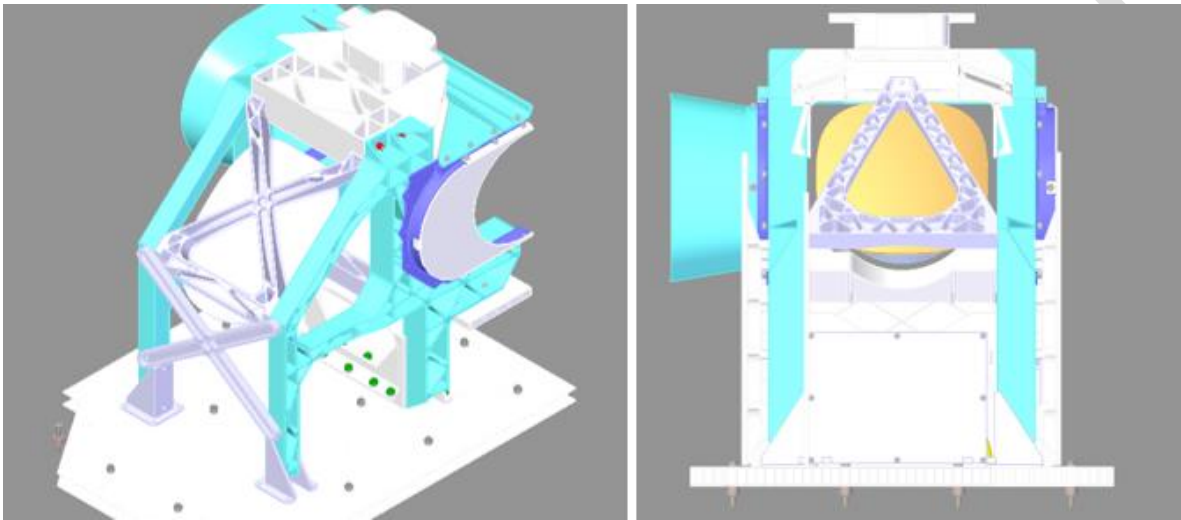


Figure 19 Arctic Weather Satellite Structure



*Mechanical Ground Support Equipment*

**Customer:** LUSOSPACE (Portugal)

**Mission:** SENTINEL 5

**Task:** design, manufacturing, coating, assembly, test.

**Year:** DELIVERED 2021

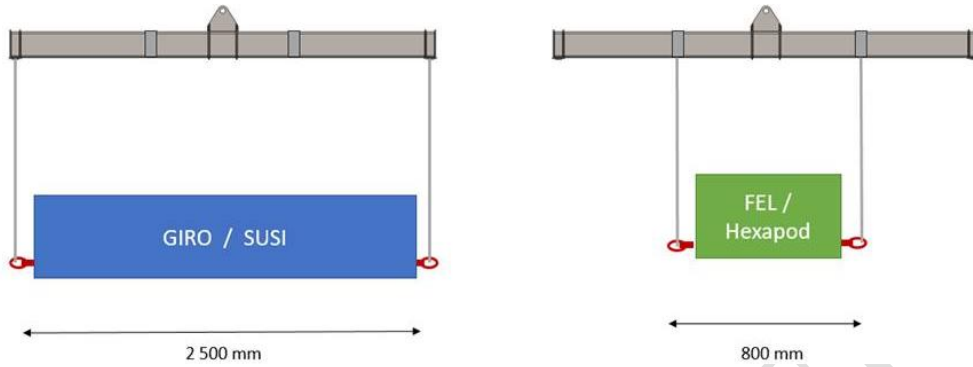


Figure 20 Lifting device, adjustable load width, for hoisting various types of Sentinel 5 Optical Equipment with weights up to 500 kg

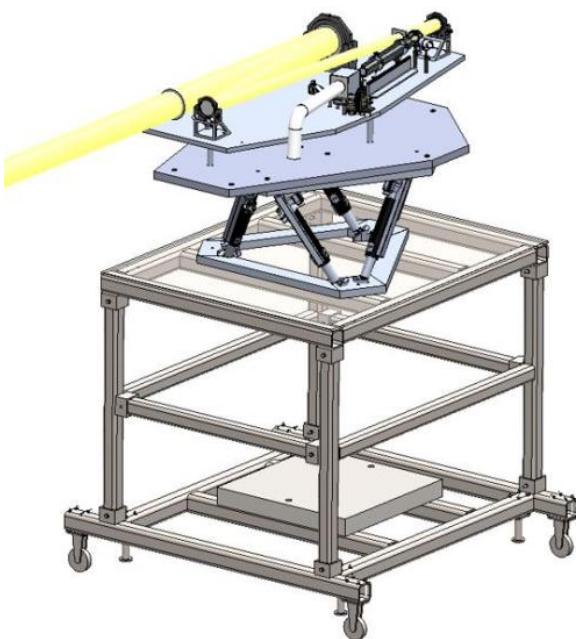


Figure 21 Dolly for transporting 800 kg radiance equipment for Sentinel 5

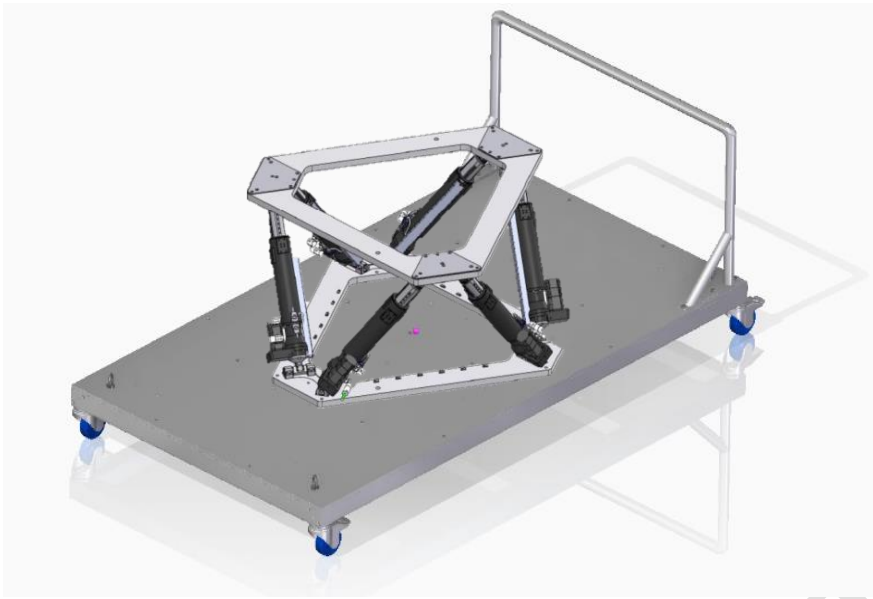


Figure 22 Multipurpose dolly for transporting Sentinel 5 equipment of up to 500 kg

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**Customer:** AIRBUS (France)

**Mission:** Solar Orbiter

**Task:** (Design only)

**Year:** 2012

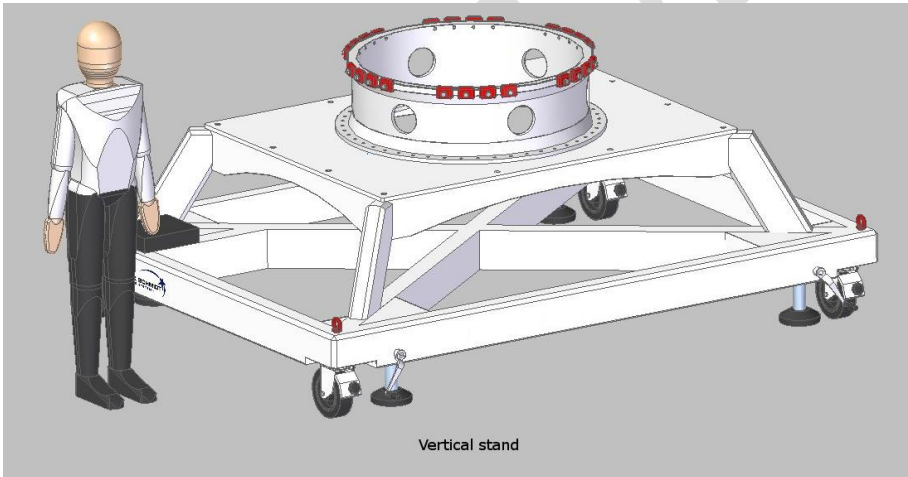


Figure 23 Vertical stand: lateral movement only

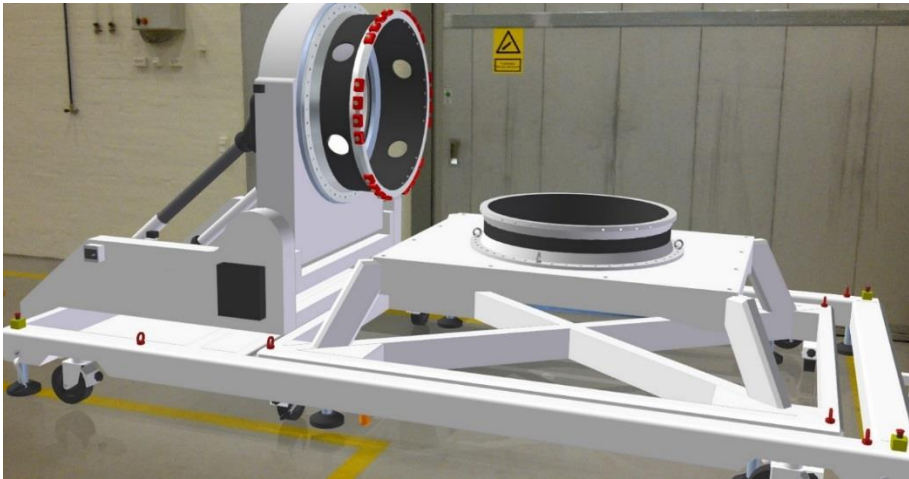


Figure 24 Multi-Purpose trolley with corresponding Vertical Stand

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