

Lynx IWG/OWG Technology Roadmap Discussion



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Discussion Topics

- Aerospace Team
- NASA technology roadmaps
 - *NASA Technology roadmaps last updated in 2015*
 - Technology Area 8 : science instruments, observatories, and sensor systems
 - *WFIRST*
 - *Technology Development Plan Template*
- Lynx technology status
- Key milestones for Lynx technology roadmap development



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2015 Technology Roadmap – Area 8: Instruments, Observatories & Sensor Systems

- NASA technology roadmap identifies three technology elements supporting an X-Ray Surveyor mission with need dates of 2030
 - *8.1.1 Detectors and Focal Planes*
 - Challenges include low-noise, high-speed, and low-power readout integrated circuit electronics for large FPA instruments; high quantum efficiency, low noise, high resolution, uniform and stable response, low power and cost, and high reliability large-format arrays
 - **Technology Candidate 8.1.1.8** – *Large-format X-ray microcalorimeter array or very-high-energy-resolution, pixelated focal plane detector*
 - *8.2.1 Observatory Mirror Systems*
 - Achieve increased sensitivity and resolution while reducing areal cost
 - Challenges include lightweight mirror systems with high degree of thermal and dynamic stability, wavefront sensing & control with diffraction limited performance
 - **Technology Candidate 8.2.1.1** *High energy X-ray grazing incidence precision surface lightweight mirrors*
 - **Technology Candidate 8.2.1.2** – *Low energy X-ray grazing incidence precision surface lightweight mirrors*



Example:
WFIRST Technology Plan / Roadmap Overview

Reference: November 2014 Presentation by Poberezhskiy, et al.

[https://conference.ipac.caltech.edu/wfirs2014/talks/
WFIRS2014_Poberezhskiy.pdf](https://conference.ipac.caltech.edu/wfirs2014/talks/WFIRS2014_Poberezhskiy.pdf)

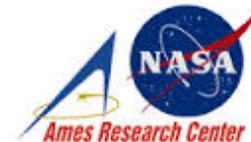




Coronagraph Technology Development



- Technology Development Plan for maturing coronagraph technology to TRL 5 by 9/30/2016 was developed and approved
 - Working toward testbed demonstration of starlight suppression that meets science requirements in presence of optical wavefront disturbances expected on orbit
 - Mature key components – spectrograph detector and deformable mirror – to TRL6
 - 9 key milestones
 - Passed 2 of them, plan execution currently ahead of schedule
- Progress monitored by independent Technology Assessment Committee (TAC)
- Many institutions involved in coronagraph technology development and science





WFIRST-AFTA Coronagraph Key Milestones



MS #	Milestone	Date
1 	First-generation reflective Shaped Pupil apodizing mask has been fabricated with black silicon specular reflectivity of less than 10^{-4} and 20 μm pixel size.	7/21/14
2 	Shaped Pupil Coronagraph in the High Contrast Imaging Testbed demonstrates 10^{-8} raw contrast with narrowband light at 550 nm in a static environment.	9/30/14
3	First-generation PIAACMC focal plane phase mask with at least 12 concentric rings has been fabricated and characterized; results are consistent with model predictions of 10^{-8} raw contrast with 10% broadband light centered at 550 nm.	12/15/14
4	Hybrid Lyot Coronagraph in the High Contrast Imaging Testbed demonstrates 10^{-8} raw contrast with narrowband light at 550 nm in a static environment.	2/28/15
5 	Occulting Mask Coronagraph in the High Contrast Imaging Testbed demonstrates 10^{-8} raw contrast with 10% broadband light centered at 550 nm in a static environment.	9/15/15
6	Low Order Wavefront Sensing and Control subsystem provides pointing jitter sensing better than 0.4 mas and meets pointing and low order wavefront drift control requirements.	9/30/15
7	Spectrograph detector and read-out electronics are demonstrated to have dark current less than 0.001 e/pix/s and read noise less than 1 e/pix/frame.	8/25/16
8	PIAACMC coronagraph in the High Contrast Imaging Testbed demonstrates 10^{-8} raw contrast with 10% broadband light centered at 550 nm in a static environment; contrast sensitivity to pointing and focus is characterized.	9/30/16
9	Occulting Mask Coronagraph in the High Contrast Imaging Testbed demonstrates 10^{-8} raw contrast with 10% broadband light centered at 550 nm in a simulated dynamic environment.	9/30/16

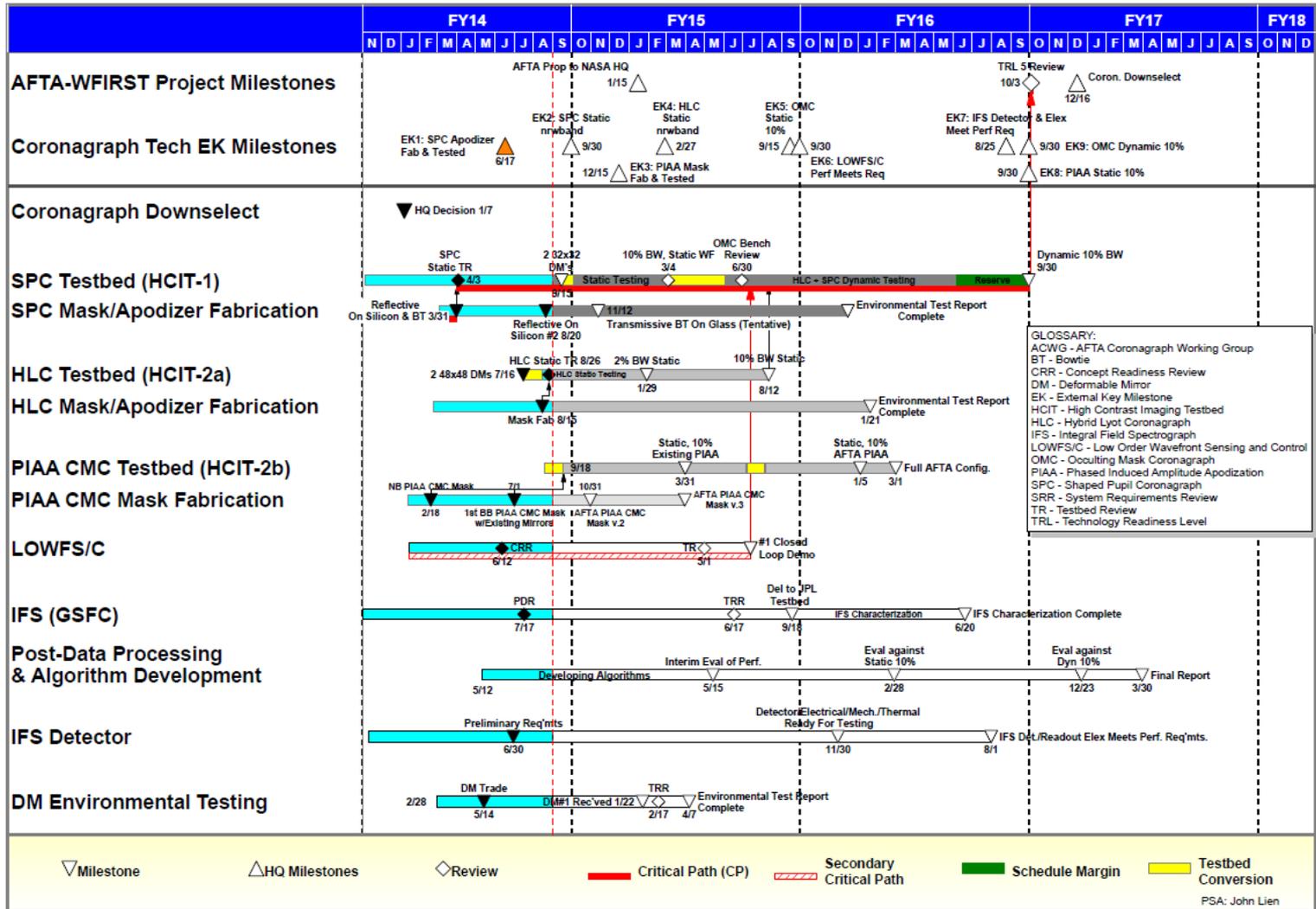


Top Level Technology Development Schedule

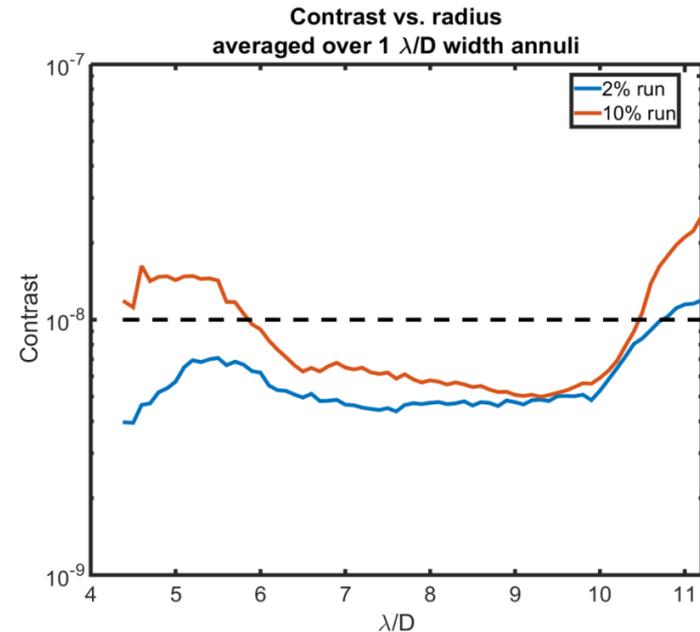
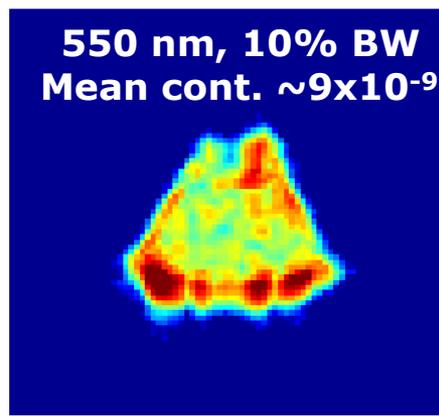
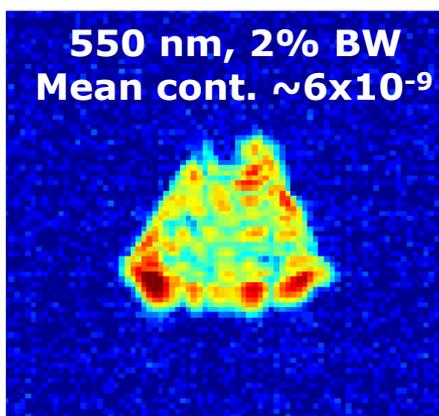


AFTA-WFIRST Coronagraph Technology Development Top Level Schedule

Rev. 09/09/2014



- Obtained narrowband (2%) and early broadband (10%) starlight suppression results in the shaped pupil coronagraph testbed
 - Initially with 1 DM, stopped down to 48x48 actuators
 - Milestone 2 results submitted on 9/17/14, approved by TAC
 - Broadband result meets Milestone 5 success criterion 12 months early
- **Retired the biggest technology development risk, proving that high contrast is achievable with the obscured AFTA telescope pupil**
- Starting fabrication of Gen 2 SPC masks (with Lyot stop) designed at Princeton for improved IWA and throughput

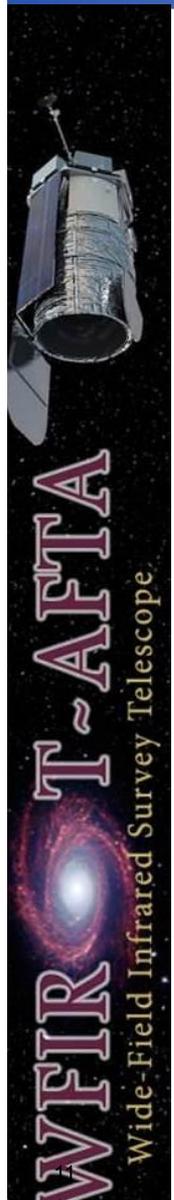
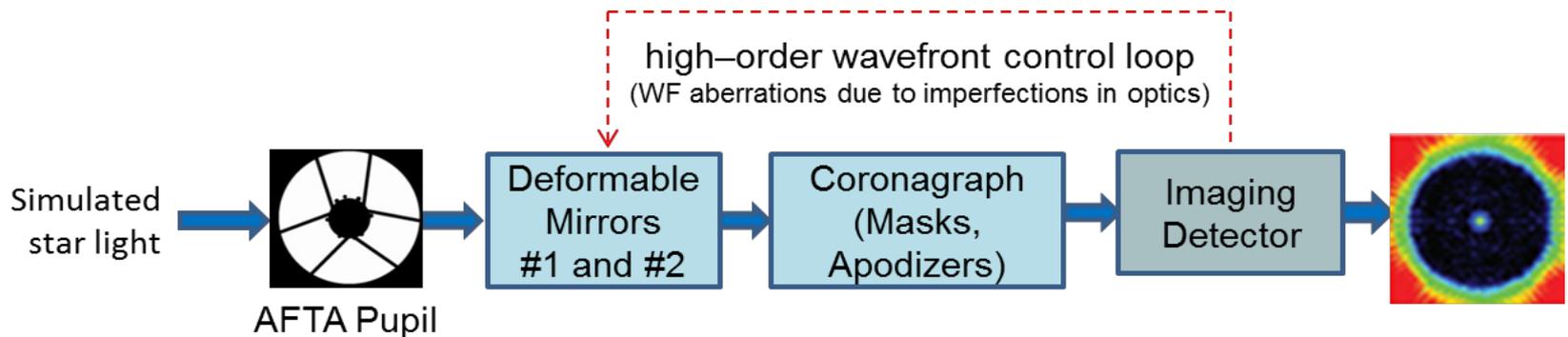




Static Broadband Demo: Milestone 5 (9/15/15)



- **Milestone 5:** Occulting Mask Coronagraph in the High Contrast Imaging Testbed demonstrates 10^{-8} raw contrast with 10% broadband light centered at 550 nm in a static environment.
- **Verification Method:** Testbed raw contrast
 - Raw contrast must be demonstrated at working angles consistent with coronagraph science requirements
 - Contrast will be achieved 3 times to show the process is repeatable
 - OMC demonstration means that *at least one* (goal: both) of the coronagraph technologies comprising OMC demonstrate the required level of performance.

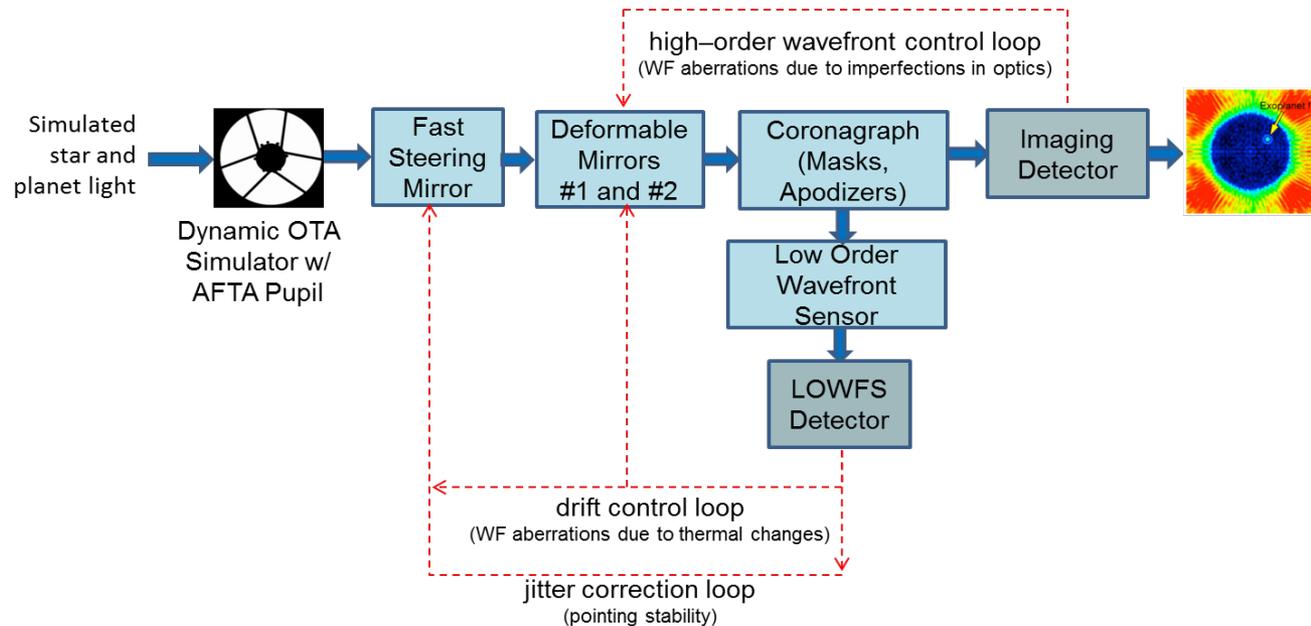




Dynamic Broadband Demo: Milestone 9 (9/30/16)



- **Milestone 9:** Occulting Mask Coronagraph in the High Contrast Imaging Testbed demonstrates 10^{-8} raw contrast with 10% broadband light centered at 550 nm in a simulated dynamic environment.
- Dynamic coronagraph testbed will be built and aligned by July 2015
- Interfaces with OTA simulator and contains LOWFS/C components
- Optical layout replicates flight OMC instrument
- Incorporates next generation of masks
- Designed with TRL5 model validation requirements in mind



WFIRST vs. Lynx Technology Roadmap Observations

- WFIRST technologies selected per architecture
 - *Technology plan/roadmap showed path to maturing these technologies*
- Lynx concept still evolving
- Lynx will be considering competing technologies in parallel
 - *Must develop technology maturation schedules, selection criteria, off-ramps*
- Lynx team will need to develop a clear strategy to achieve technology maturation and selection to demonstrate reduced technical and programmatic risk



Technology Development Plan Template

- Template provided to Lynx team is comprehensive – can be used to inform development of Lynx technology roadmap outline

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Lynx Technology Status

- Optics Team
 - *Key Technology Elements*
 - *Prior efforts?*
- Instrument Team
 - *Key Technology Elements*
 - *Prior efforts?*

Lynx Science and Technology Definition Team (STDT)

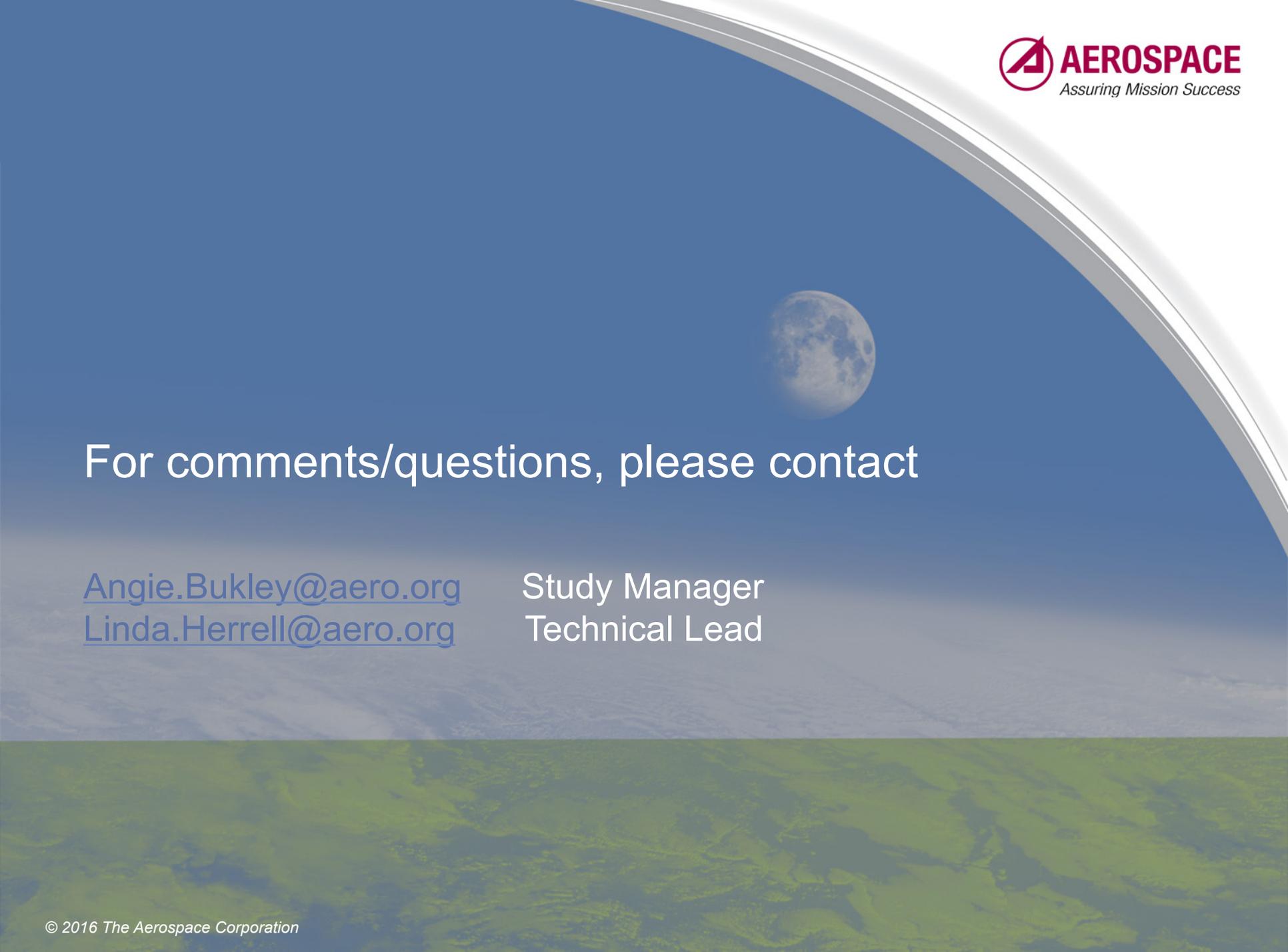
- PCOS Program Technology Capability Gap Inputs (June 2016):
 - **High-resolution lightweight X-ray optics**
 - **High-efficiency X-ray grating arrays for high-resolution spectroscopy**
 - **Fast, low-noise megapixel X-ray imaging arrays with moderate spectral resolution**
 - **Large-format, high-spectral resolution, small-pixel X-ray focal plane arrays**
- **2nd RFI: Technologies for Large-Area Sub-Arcsecond X-ray Telescopes (DUE: March 2017)**
- **1st RFI: Technologies for Large-Area Sub-Arcsecond X-ray Telescopes (DUE: April 2016)**
 - **Advanced Design Consulting**
 - **Northrop Grumman Aerospace Systems**



Key Actions/Needs for Lynx Technology Roadmap Development

- Technology outline from the Optics and Instrument teams
 - *Incorporate results of TRL assessments already executed*
- Schedule & Milestones
- Establish tailored format for Lynx roadmap
- Develop roadmap strategy
- Set up working meeting to capture technology issues & assign action items





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