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Summary of HIGP

- ▲ 52 Faculty
- ▲42 Staff
- ▲ 15 Graduate Students
- ▲ 9 post-docs
- Currently 80 active planetary/space grants or contracts worth > \$22.8M
- Total of \$2.4M p.a. support from State (27 FTE for faculty)
- Support from NSF, NASA, DoD-Navy, DoD-Army, NOAA, JPL, Raytheon, Georgia Inst. Tech., Battelle, ITT, Caterpillar Inc.























HIGP Team Membership on Current Planetary Missions



Mars Odyssey



MESSENGER (Mercury)



ExoMars











Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter

Hawaii Space Flight Lab



PMRF Launch



Small-satellite design and fabrication



Luke Flynn



10,000-class clean rooms



X-band data reception



Fly our own instruments: Optical Imaging Aerosols GPS met

GOALS OF HSFL

Innovative constellations of small satellites: Clusters for multi-parameters

High-temporal coverage





Thermal studies of Earth

Urban areas include ~ 50 % of the world's population. The direct contribution of cities to climate change is small but urbanization has global implications and consequences



Ocean optics and color



Infrared & Raman Technology **Development**



Shiv Sharma

ExoMars Mission







Mars sensor and field data



FO coupler

Laser

HIGP: Mitigation and Adaptation of Hawaii's Society to Climate Change

IPCC research indicates:

- 1. Doubled melting rate of Greenland ice sheet,
- 2. Net melting of the Antarctic ice sheet,
- 3. Global rise approaching 3.0 mm/yr, twice the rate last century,
- 4. Continued heating of atmosphere heating of water column, 1 m rise is now expected during this century.
- 5. 3°C temperature rise suggests 3-6 m sea-level rise in a century.

1958 Territorial Law included "...[HIG shall conduct] application of research results relevant to Territorial problems."

To be relevant to the State, HIGP will provide the geophysical/remote sensing leadership to help the State of Hawaii survive the impending crisis due to climate change







Ocean Observing, Geodesy and Measuring Topographic Change







Tripod-Lidar for high-resolution topography



James Foster

Radar interferometry - deformation

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Assessment of Coral Reef Health

- HI-CRESPO--Coral Reef Spectrophotometric Observatory
- Current status is a collaboration between HIGP, HSFL, HIMB and NASA Ames Research Center
- Fly a hyperspectral sensor on HSFL launch #2
- ▲ Funding targets:
 - Castle Foundation (HI-CRESPO proposal submitted August '08)
 - NASA SALMON Program (Standalone Missions of Opportunity)







Paul Lucey

HIGP's Next Research Initiative: Potential NASA Lunar Science Institute







- Origin of Moon
- Evolution of crust
- Late Heavy Bombardment



Jeff Taylor