



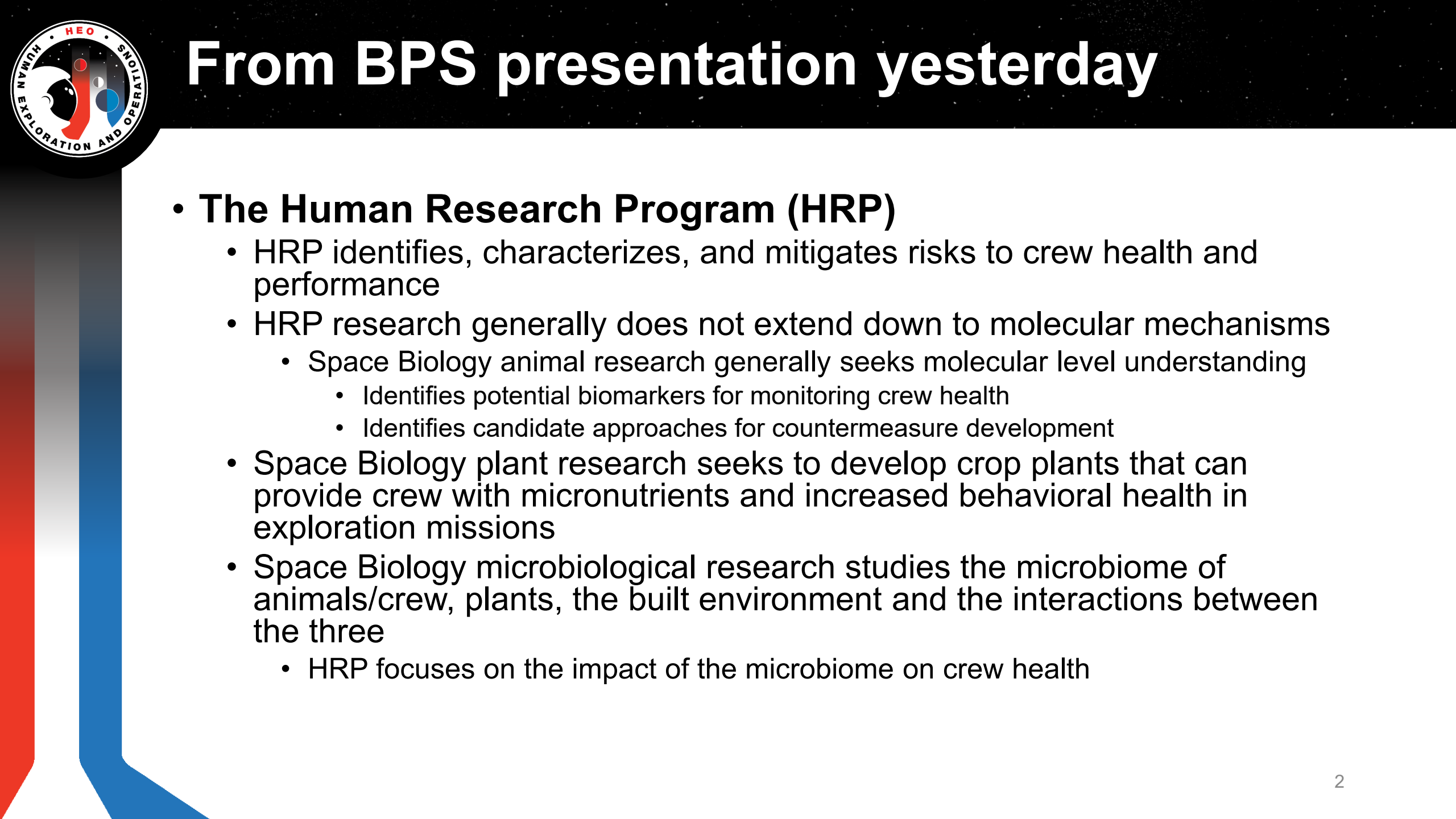
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# Decadal Stakeholder Perspective NASA Human Research Program

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# From BPS presentation yesterday

- **The Human Research Program (HRP)**
  - HRP identifies, characterizes, and mitigates risks to crew health and performance
  - HRP research generally does not extend down to molecular mechanisms
    - Space Biology animal research generally seeks molecular level understanding
      - Identifies potential biomarkers for monitoring crew health
      - Identifies candidate approaches for countermeasure development
  - Space Biology plant research seeks to develop crop plants that can provide crew with micronutrients and increased behavioral health in exploration missions
  - Space Biology microbiological research studies the microbiome of animals/crew, plants, the built environment and the interactions between the three
    - HRP focuses on the impact of the microbiome on crew health

# Human Research Program Mission

To enable space exploration beyond Low Earth Orbit by reducing the risks to human health & performance through a focused program of:

- **Basic, applied, and operational research**

leading to the development and delivery of:

- **Human health, performance, and habitability standards**
- **Countermeasures and other risk mitigation solutions**
- **Advanced habitability and medical support technologies**



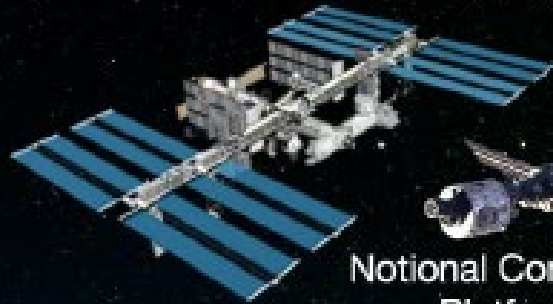
**Primary Customers:** HEOMD Exploration Architecture/Vehicle/Mission designers, OCHMO/HMTA, FOD/CB

# Human Research for Risk Reduction in **SUSTAINABLE HUMAN EXPLORATION**

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International Space Station (ISS)



Notional Commercial  
Platform(s)



Gateway

**Integrated Missions with stays  
on the Gateway and activities on the lunar  
surface serve as analogs for crew health  
and performance on missions to Mars.**

**Low-Earth Orbit (LEO) Platforms:  
Analog for transit to Mars and  
crew performance after landing**

**Successful Mars transit and surface  
missions will build on knowledge  
gained through analogs and research  
on all previous platforms**

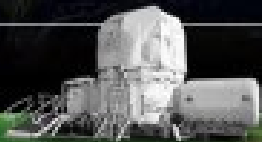


Mars-class  
Transportation

**Mars missions will require advancements  
in how we mitigate the effects of all  
5 hazards of human spaceflight:**

- ☒ Isolation & Confinement
- ☒ Distance from Earth
- ☒ Changes in Gravity
- ☒ Radiation
- ☒ Hostile Closed Environments

**Earth: Simulated habitats  
and operations analogs**



**Lunar Surface: Human experience of  
greater deep space hazards**







# HRP Standards, Technology and Countermeasures Deliverables

## BMed

1. Study Results for Biomarker Thresholds linked to Performance
  - Risk Characterization
  - Standards for Clinical guidelines
2. Standards for Treatments, CMs, and Tools
3. Risk Characterization for Key Indicators of Cognitive Performance & Behavioral Conditions



## Space Radiation

1. Baseline Cancer PEL
2. Cancer PEL Update
3. Integrated Radiation CM Toolkit
4. Radiation Recommendations for Clinical Practice Guidelines
5. Radiation Countermeasure Identification
6. Recommendation for Fitness for Duty Standards



## Food

1. Storage Limit Requirements
2. Physiological CM
3. System Trades and Validations



## Team

1. CMs and Tools
2. Risk Characterization: Key Indicators Team Performance

## CVD

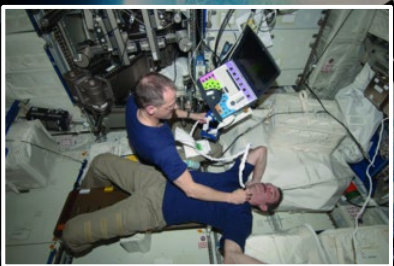
1. CM based on Weightlessness
2. CM combined effects
3. Standards based on Weightlessness
4. Standards Combined Effects



## ExMC

### Medical

1. IMPACT Version 1.0
2. IMPACT Version 2.0
3. Foundation: Level of Care IV Long-Duration Lunar Orbital/Surface
4. Foundation: Level of Care V Pharm
5. Exploration Formulary v3.0



## Human System Integration

1. Integrated CM Suite
2. Risk Characterization for op performance metrics
3. Standards recommendations for just-in-time training
4. Standards update: HAB, HARI, Training, and HCI
5. Validated CMs



## EVA

1. Injury Assessment Tool
2. Fitness for Duty Standards

## Immune | MICRO

1. CM
2. Standards



## Medical

1. Next Gen CHP Resource Scoping
2. Scoping Update

## OP

1. Standards for Initial/Interim IARVs & protecting crew during dynamic phases of spaceflight
2. Standards for Validated IARVs & protecting crew during seated/standing dynamic phases
3. Risk Characterization related to Lunar Landings



## SANS

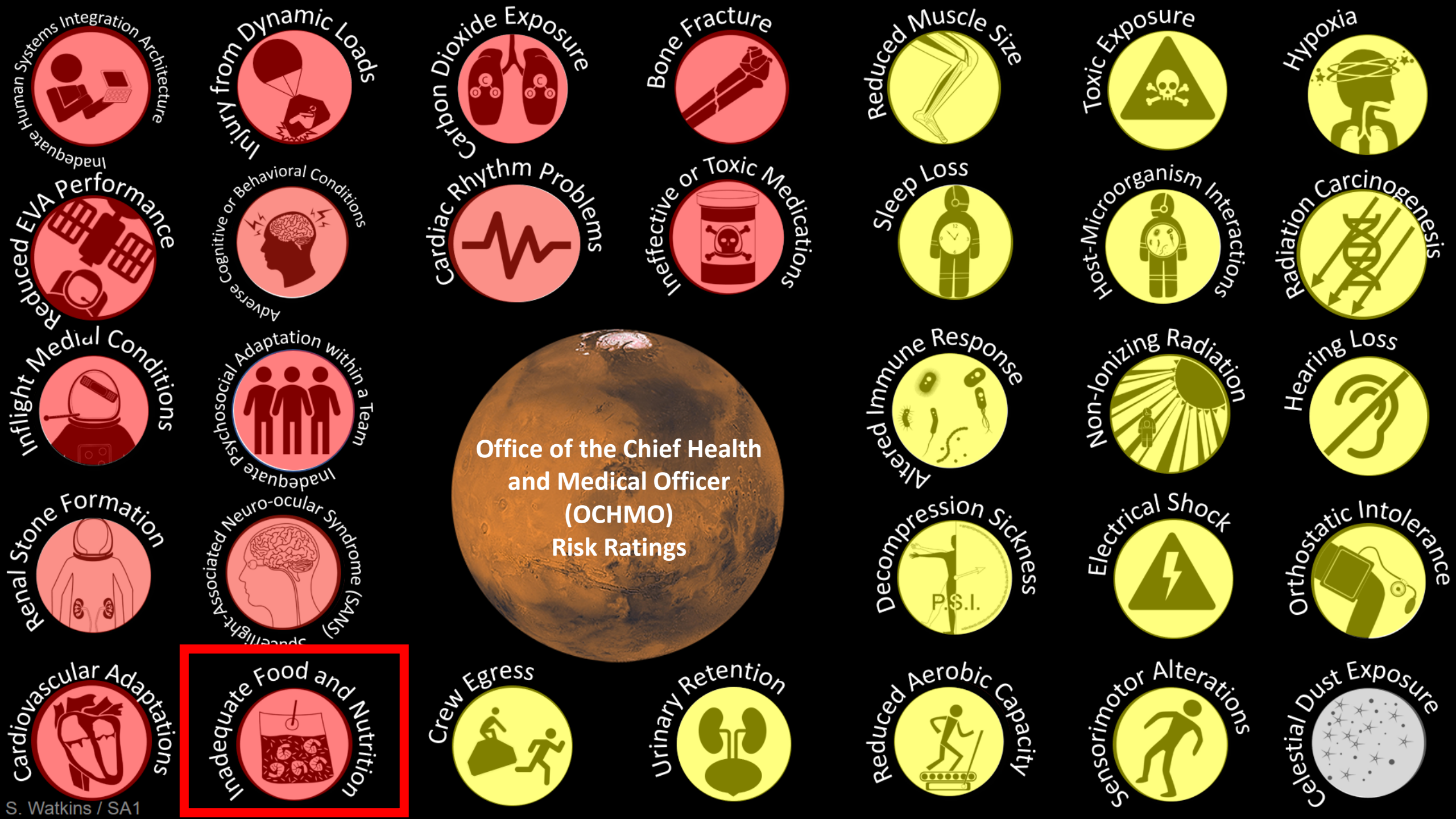
1. CM
2. Standards: Long Term Health
3. Standards: Maintaining inflight health

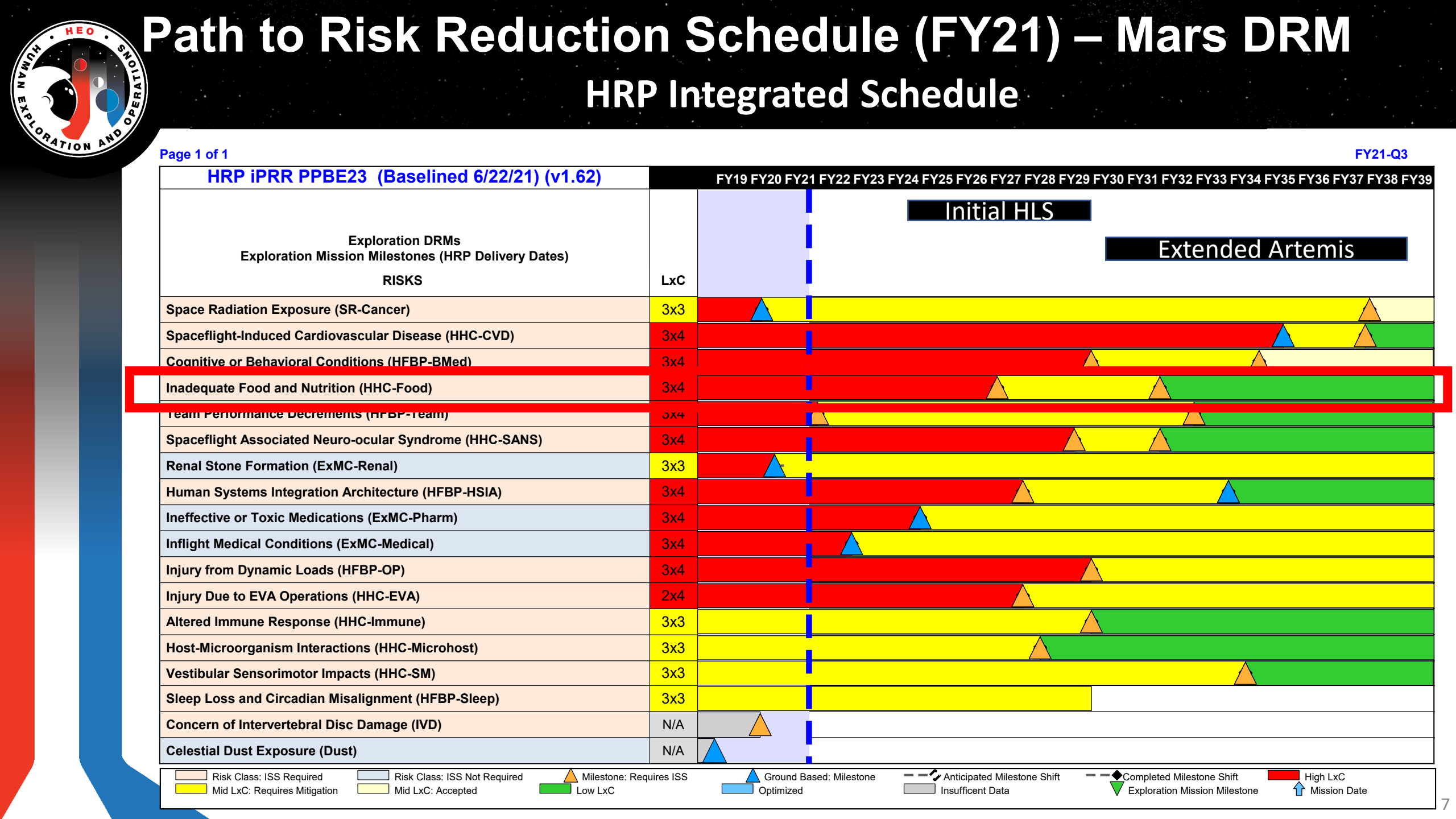


## Sensorimotor

1. CM
2. Standards
3. Lunar CM
4. Lunar Standards









# Joint BPS/HRP/AES Roadmaps

ECLSS-CHP SCLT ROADMAP

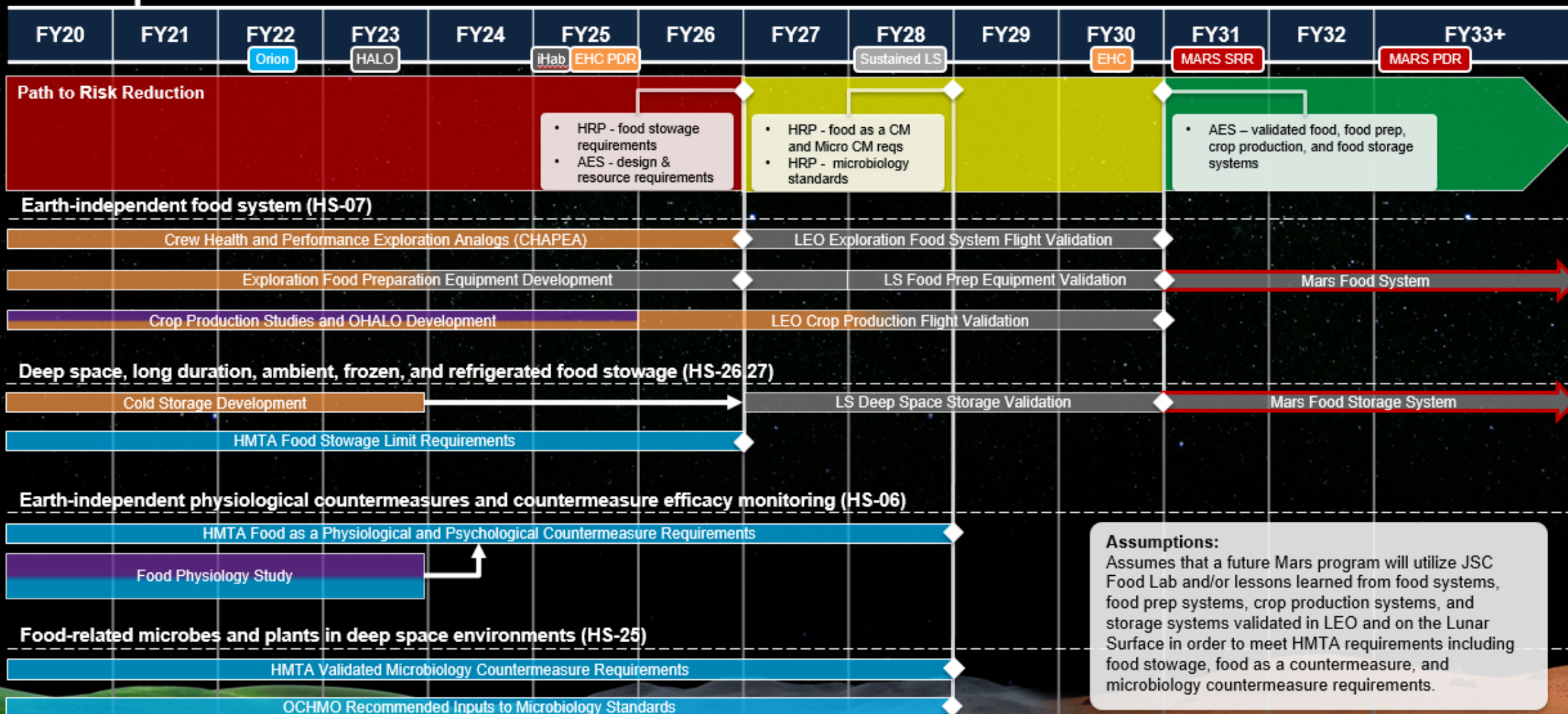
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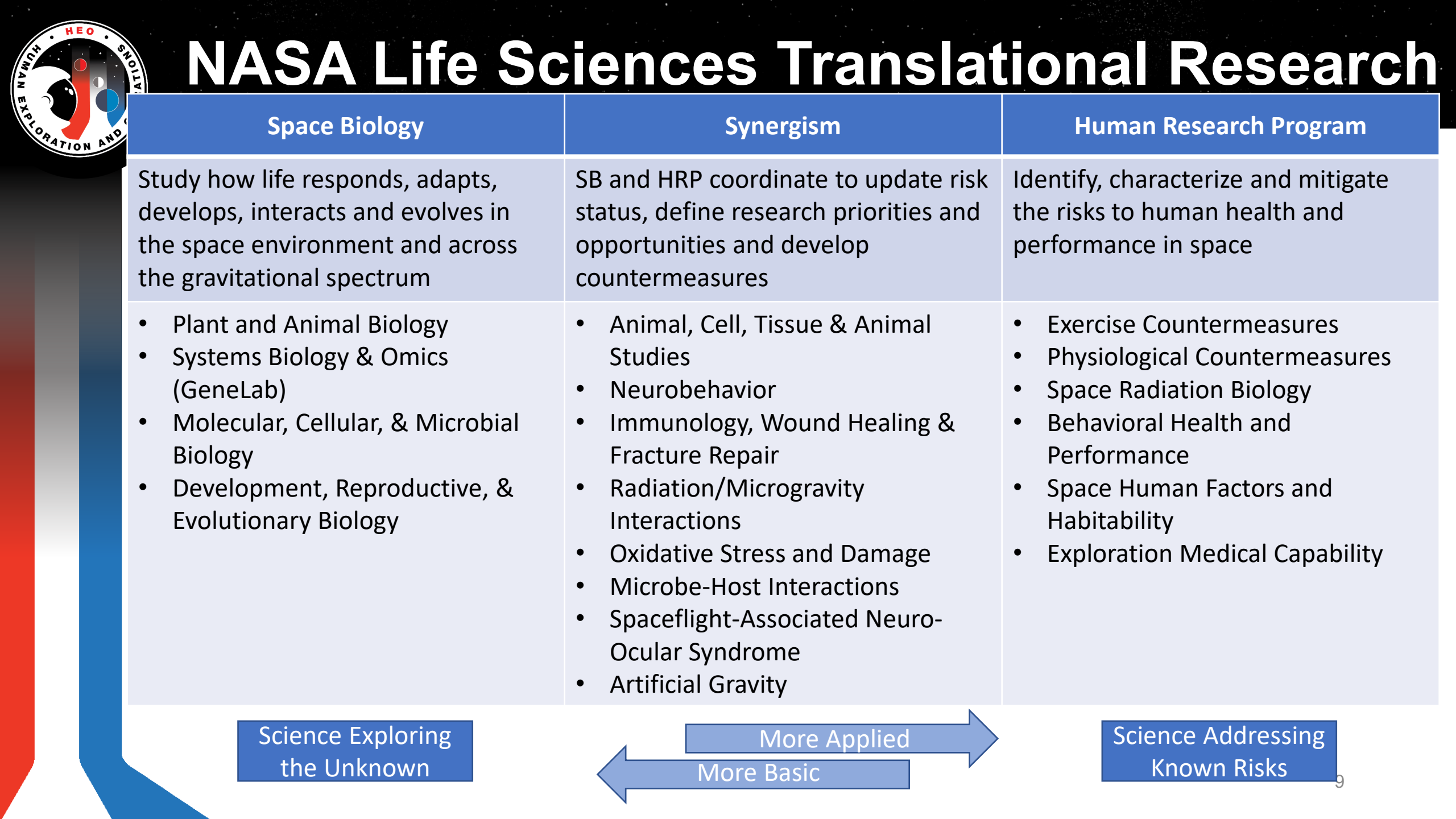
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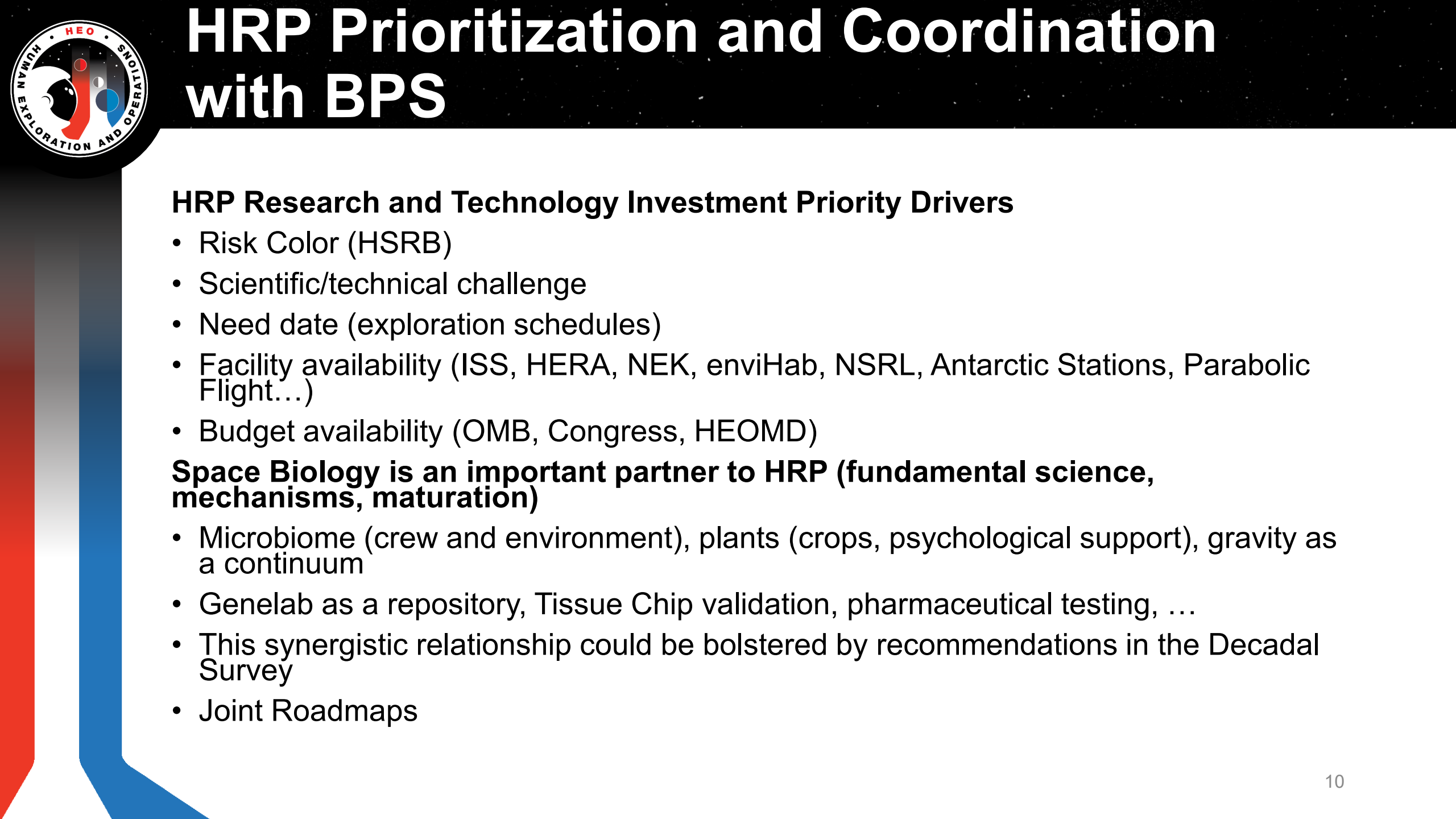
## Risk of Performance Decrement and Crew Illness Due to Inadequate Food and Nutrition

AES BPS HRP Unfunded Deliverable









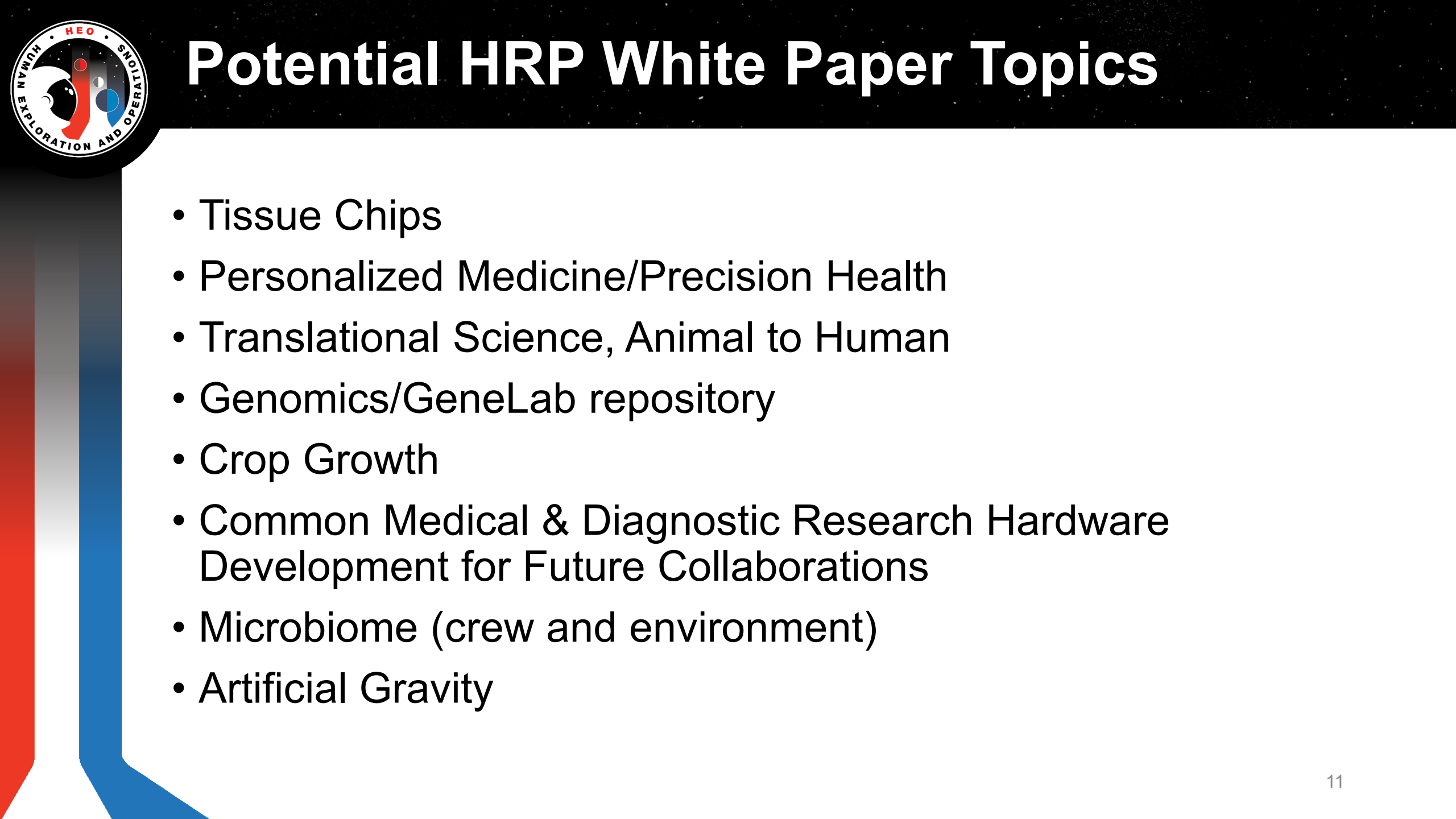
# HRP Prioritization and Coordination with BPS

## HRP Research and Technology Investment Priority Drivers

- Risk Color (HSRB)
- Scientific/technical challenge
- Need date (exploration schedules)
- Facility availability (ISS, HERA, NEK, enviHab, NSRL, Antarctic Stations, Parabolic Flight...)
- Budget availability (OMB, Congress, HEOMD)

## **Space Biology is an important partner to HRP (fundamental science, mechanisms, maturation)**

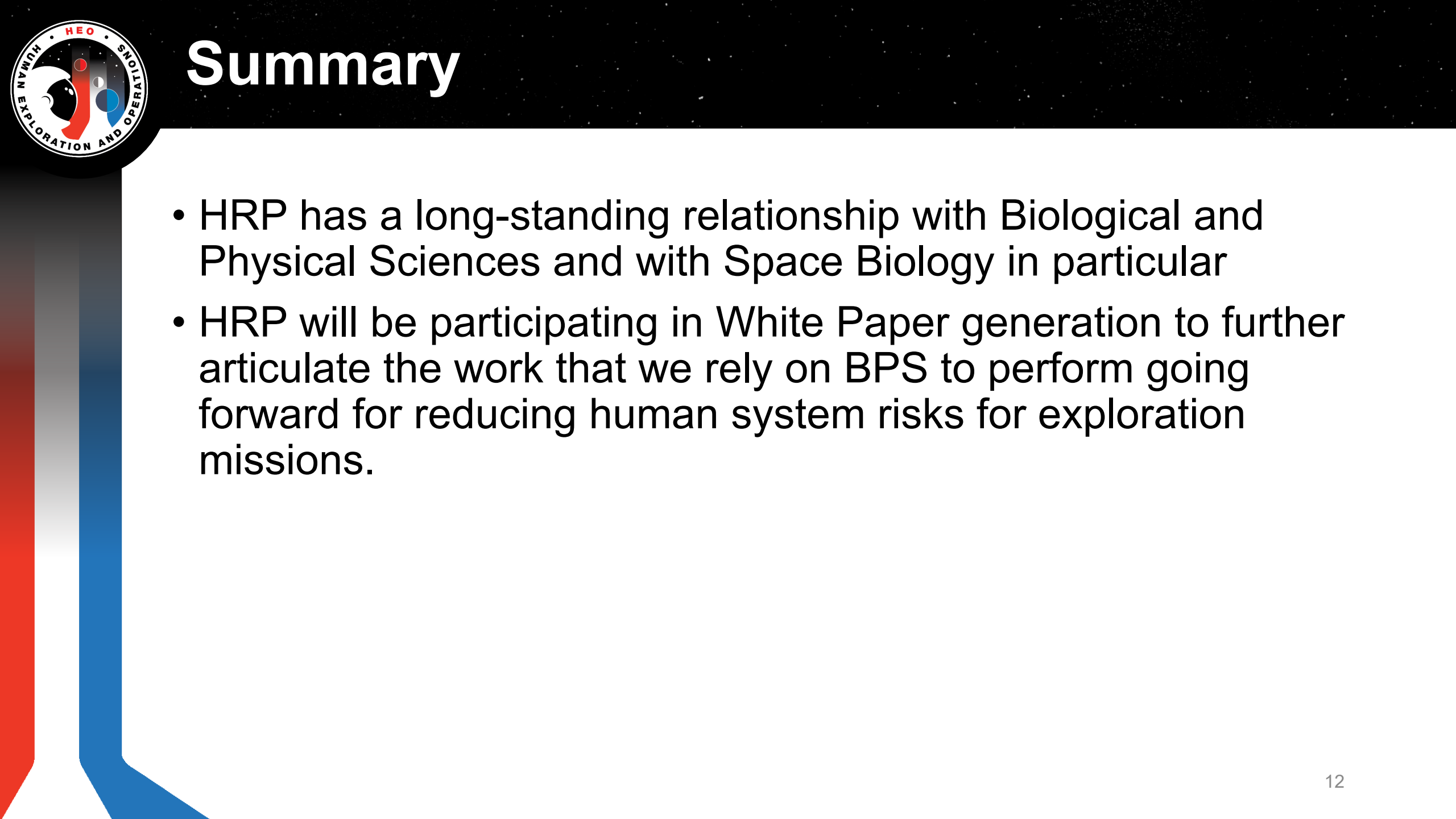
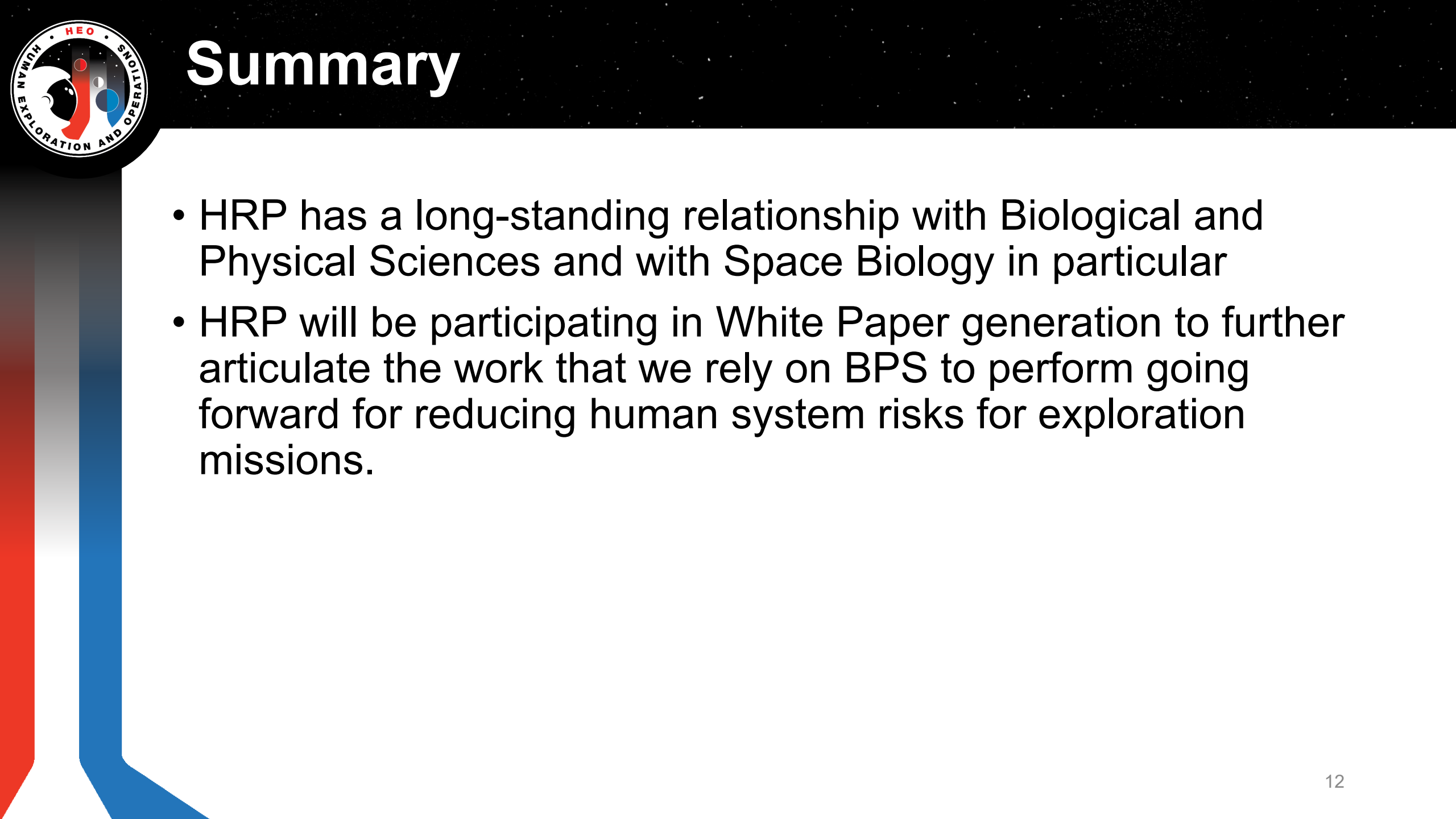
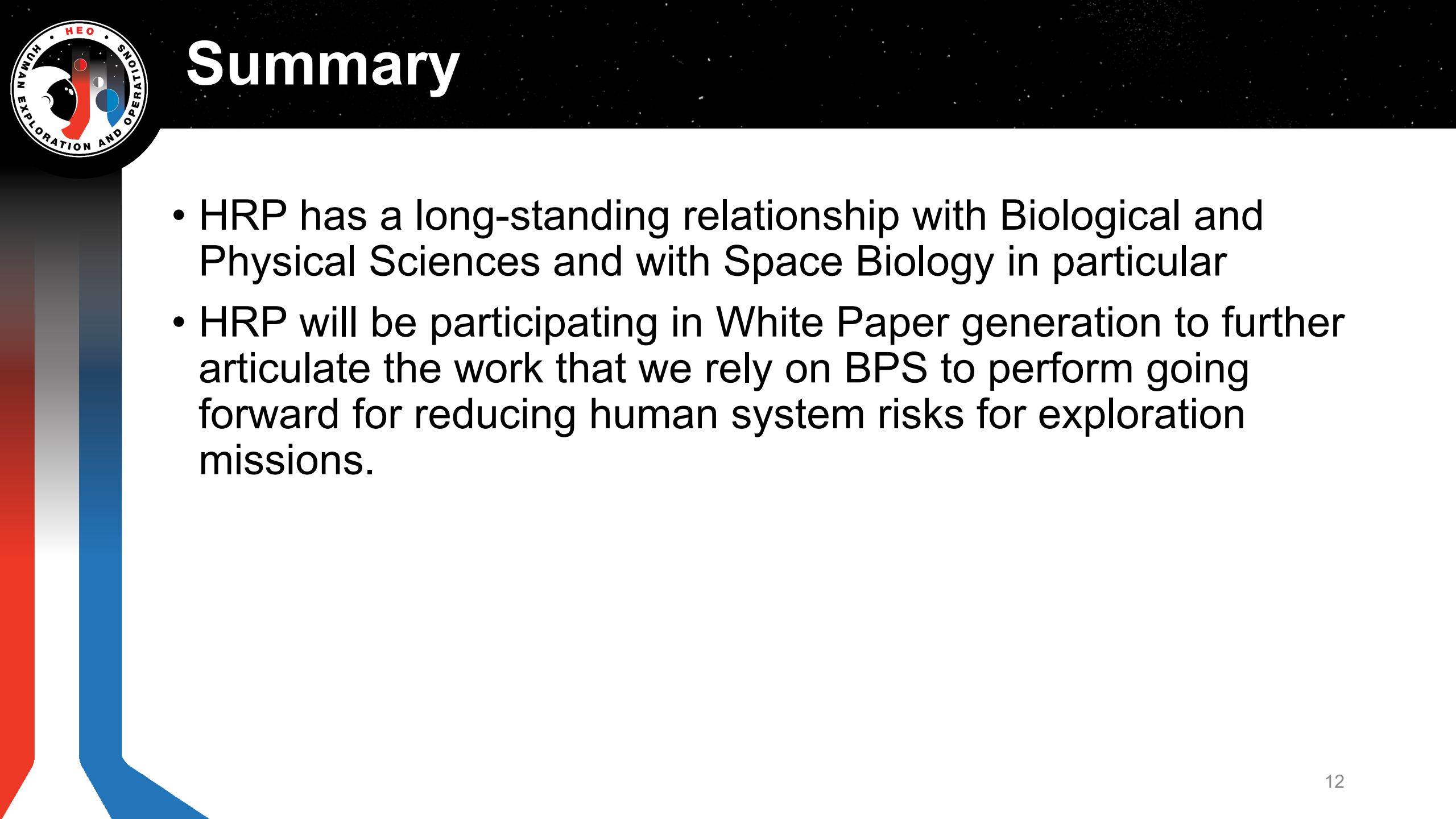
- Microbiome (crew and environment), plants (crops, psychological support), gravity as a continuum
- Genelab as a repository, Tissue Chip validation, pharmaceutical testing, ...
- This synergistic relationship could be bolstered by recommendations in the Decadal Survey
- Joint Roadmaps



# Potential HRP White Paper Topics

- Tissue Chips
- Personalized Medicine/Precision Health
- Translational Science, Animal to Human
- Genomics/GeneLab repository
- Crop Growth
- Common Medical & Diagnostic Research Hardware Development for Future Collaborations
- Microbiome (crew and environment)
- Artificial Gravity





# Summary

- HRP has a long-standing relationship with Biological and Physical Sciences and with Space Biology in particular
- HRP will be participating in White Paper generation to further articulate the work that we rely on BPS to perform going forward for reducing human system risks for exploration missions.