Photos of the Day: Bryan, The European Mars Rover

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Britain's Business Secretary Vince Cable poses for the photographers next to a robotic vehicle being tested on the 'Mars Yard Test Area', the testing ground of the

European Space Agency's ExoMars program scheduled for 2018, in Stevenage, England, Thursday, March 27, 2014. (AP Photo/Lefteris Pitarakis)

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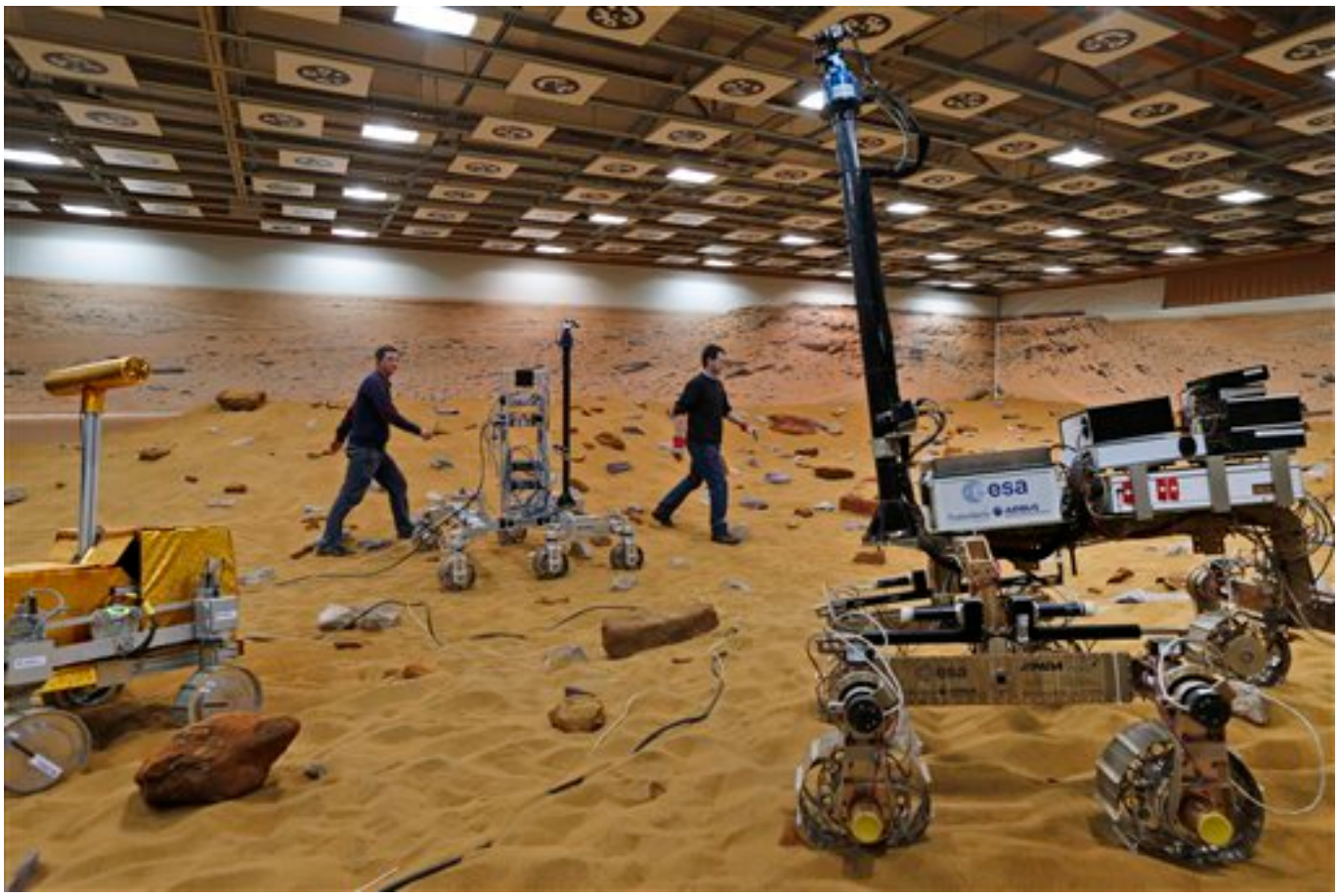
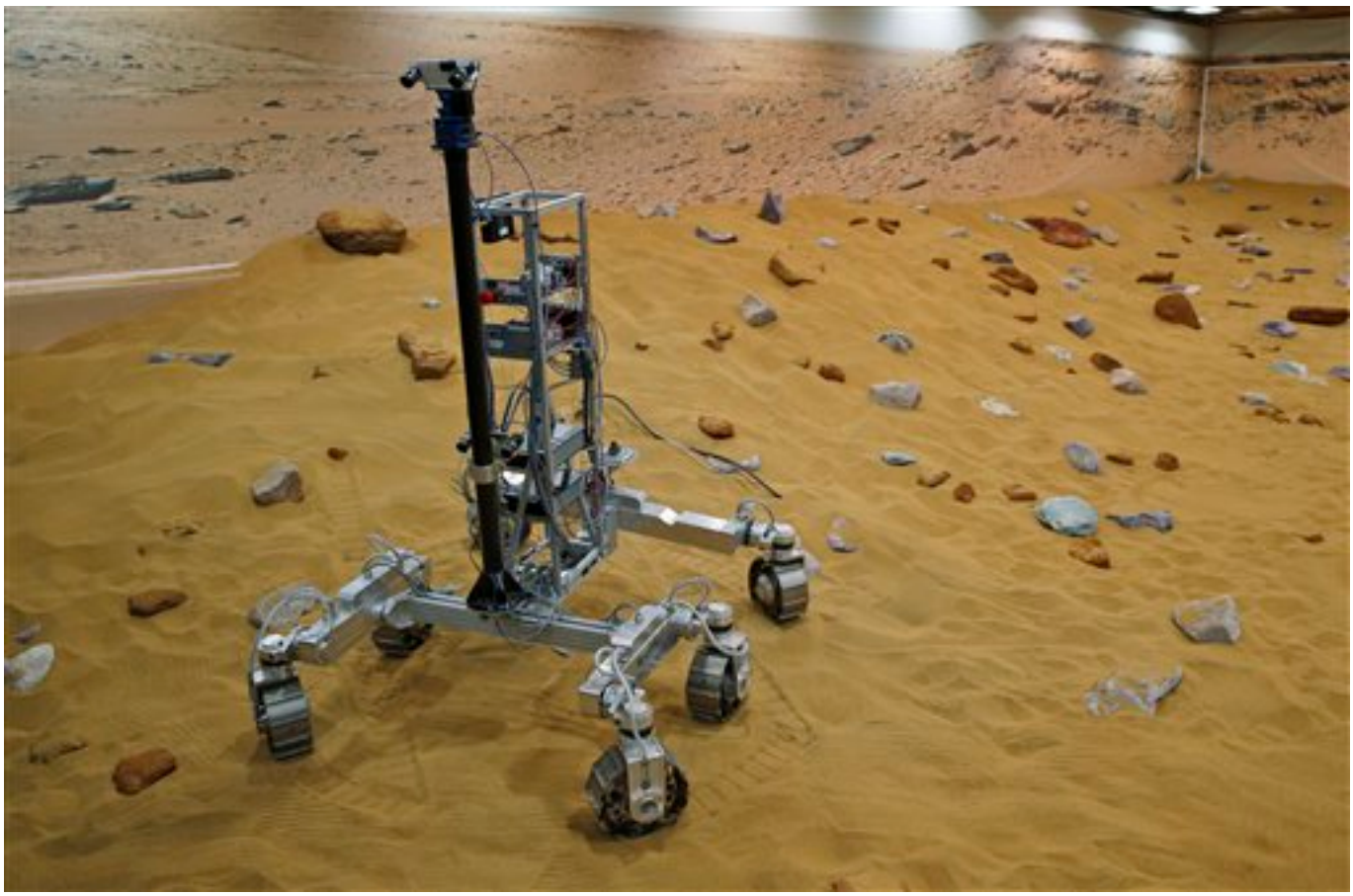
Engineer Ben Nye stands next to a robotic vehicle on the 'Mars Yard Test Area', a testing ground for the robotic vehicles of the European Space Agency's ExoMars program. The scientists here work on the development of the autonomous navigation capabilities of the vehicle, so by being in communication with controllers on earth twice a day, will be able to use the transmitted information to navigate to new destinations on Mars. (AP Photo/Lefteris Pitarakis)



Personnel walk on the 'Mars Yard Test Area', a testing ground where robotic vehicles of the European Space Agency’s ExoMars program scheduled for 2018, are tested in Stevenage, England, Thursday, March 27, 2014. (AP Photo/Lefteris Pitarakis)



A robotic vehicle on the 'Mars Yard Test Area', a testing ground for the robotic vehicles of the European Space Agency's ExoMars program scheduled for 2018, moves in Stevenage, England, Thursday, March 27, 2014. It looks like a giant sandbox - except the sand has a reddish tint and the "toys" on display are very expensive prototypes designed to withstand the rigors of landing on Mars. (AP Photo/Lefteris Pitarakis)

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