

Report Month: Submitted by: Submit Date: Institution: Payload Number: Payload Name: February Samuel A. Garcia Morelos 01/23/2018 University of Houston 2017-12 SORA – Stratospheric Organisms and Radiation Analyzer

I) Activities During Previous Month:

- 1) Provisional application work
- 2) Procured funding!
- 3) Finishing budget and starting procurement of equipment and parts
- 4) Working on improving MiniPIX collection setup
- 5) New smaller package developed for flight computer
- 6) Working on publications from the data of last semester (MiniPIX, Engineering design, and Astrobiology)
- 7) Exploring options for funding and reaching out to university

II) Issues Encountered:

1) None so far

III) Milestones Achieved:

- 1) General:
 - i) Finished HASP 2018 Provisional Application
 - ii) Received a funding source

IV) Plans for Coming Month:

- 1) Order parts and equipment
- 2) Hire new team members
- 3) Begin new work on design and upgrades once parts arrive
- 4) Acquire more funding for travel and other misc. items

VI) Team Composition and Organization:

Name	Start Date	End Date	Role	Student Status	Race	Ethnicity	Gender	Disabled
Andrew L. Renshaw	01/06/16	Present	Faculty Mentor	Faculty	White	N/A	Male	No
Samuel A. Garcia Morelos	01/01/16	Present	Project Leader	Alumni	White	Hispanic	Male	No
Fre'Etta Brooks	04/01/16	Present	Astrobiology Coordinator	Alumni	Black	N/A	Female	No
Steven Oliver	07/12/16	Present	Radiation Coordinator	Undergrad	White	N/A	Male	No
Reed Masek	04/24/17	Present	Radiation and Data Organizer	Undergrad	White	N/A	Male	No
Andrew Walker	05/08/17	Present	Electronics Coordinator	Undergrad	White	N/A	Male	No
Kevin Portillo	05/08/17	Present	Lead Programmer	Undergrad	White	N/A	Male	No