Task Book Report Generated on: 04/25/2024

Fiscal Year:	FY 2018	Task Last Updated:	FY 06/19/2018
PI Name:	Vos, Gordon Ph.D.		
Project Title:	A Tool for the Automated Collection of Space	e Utilization Data	
Division Name:	Human Research		
Program/Discipline:			
Program/Discipline Element/Subdiscipline:	HUMAN RESEARCHSpace Human Factor	s Engineering	
Joint Agency Name:		TechPort:	No
Human Research Program Elements:	(1) HFBP :Human Factors & Behavioral Perfo	ormance (IRP Rev H)	
Human Research Program Risks:	(1) HSIA:Risk of Adverse Outcomes Due to Inadequate Human Systems Integration Architecture		
Space Biology Element:	None		
Space Biology Cross-Element Discipline:	None		
Space Biology Special Category:	None		
PI Email:	gordon.a.vos@nasa.gov	Fax:	FY
PI Organization Type:	NASA CENTER	Phone:	281-483-6269
Organization Name:	Wyle Laboratories/NASA Johnson Space Center		
PI Address 1:	SF3 - Habitability and Human Factors Branch		
PI Address 2:	2101 NASA Pkwy		
PI Web Page:			
City:	Houston	State:	TX
Zip Code:	77058-3607	Congressional District:	36
Comments:			
Project Type:	GROUND		2013 HERO NNJ13ZSA002N-Crew Health (FLAGSHIP & NSBRI)
Start Date:	07/21/2014	End Date:	05/31/2018
No. of Post Docs:	1	No. of PhD Degrees:	1
No. of PhD Candidates:	1	No. of Master' Degrees:	2
No. of Master's Candidates:	2	No. of Bachelor's Degrees:	0
No. of Bachelor's Candidates:		Monitoring Center:	NASA JSC
Contact Monitor:	Williams, Thomas	Contact Phone:	281-483-8773
Contact Email:	thomas.j.will1@nasa.gov		
Flight Program:			
	NOTE: End date change to 5/31/2018 per E. Connell/JSC HRP (Ed., 3/22/18) NOTE: Extended to 10/01/2018 per E. Connell/JSC HRP (Ed., 4/24/17)		
Flight Assignment:	NOTE: Element change to Human Factors & Behavioral Performance; previously Space Human Factors & Habitability (Ed., 1/19/17)		
Key Personnel Changes/Previous PI:			
COI Name (Institution):			
Grant/Contract No.:	Internal Project		
Performance Goal No.:			

Task Book Report Generated on: 04/25/2024

Task Description:

This Human Exploration Research Opportunities (HERO) FLAGSHIP NASA Research Announcement (NRA) response has been written to address item J of Appendix A of the NRA (Automated Data Collection Tools for Habitability Design and Assessment), PRD (Program Requirements Document) Risk of Incompatible Vehicle/Habitat Design, as well as associated IRP (Integrated Research Plan) Gap Space Human Factors Engineering (SHFE) SHFE-HAB-09. The objective of this proposal is to develop and validate an automated data collection system that delivers data useful in the analysis of space utilization and vehicle habitability pertaining to crew activities on the International Space Station (ISS) as well as potential long duration space missions. The investigation will utilize two independent technologies, 3D RFID-Real Time Location System (RTLS) and Microsoft Kinect 3D volumetric and anatomical scanning tools, integrating them into a single solution. The project will advance the integrated system through validation using the Human Research Program (HRP) Human Exploration Research Analog (HERA) platform. This synthesis of 2 technologies will enable HRP to collect all of the specific data and metrics requested by the NRA, as well as several additional measures. This comprehensive data collection methodology will provide data regarding: (a) the number of crew present in each area of the vehicle at any given time, (b) the quantity of time crew spend at each workstation in the performance of tasks, (c) the physical orientation of crew while utilizing the provided volume, (d) frequent or common translation paths and traffic flow patterns within the volume, (e) operational flow/volume required for mission tasks by single or multiple crew in the vehicle, and (f) 3D biomechanical and postural data related to individual and team based

The expected significance of this project is that it will provide NASA with a quantitative methodology for collecting data 3D space utilization data that is validated for use in flight analogs and has potential direct applicability for use in actual flight environments. This is a capability that does not currently exist at NASA, and will have a significant positive impact on NASA's ability to generate quantitatively derived net habitable volume requirements by task and mission. It will also feed directly into the use of computational modeling and simulation for habitat/vehicle design by providing a valid method to generate input data for modeling efforts.

Rationale for HRP Directed Research:

Research Impact/Earth Benefits:

The results of this study and the tools developed can be leveraged in the design of habitats, vehicles, and constrained environments on Earth. The tools will allow for automated assessment of the volume used by personnel in the execution of a given task, as well as their interaction with other personnel collocated in the same work environment. This has application in the design of multiple environments including maritime, naval, aviation, space, and ground based environments.

Task Progress:

The Space Utilization Data System (SUDS) has been completed on budget and with the full scope of functionality originally planned when it was first proposed. It provides a facile system for collection of 3D volumetric data, rough order of magnitude postural data, and time and motion tracking over time. It fully records and recreates the full 3D environment being assessed, and the volumes occupied by the occupants of the scene. It has been designed with future updates in mind through programming methods used, and the ability to support alternative devices for inclusion in the system. Laboratory testing has demonstrated its accuracy and functionality in various regards, and future work is recommended to further document its capabilities. The system is ready for use and implementation in analog testing environments and use in human-in-the-loop testing. After some time of being implemented, a future iteration of this system or something derivative of it may find its way into a smart habitat or smart vehicle for the real-time assessment of operational human spaceflight activities.

Bibliography Type:

Description: (Last Updated: 06/19/2018)

Abstracts for Journals and Proceedings

Vos G, Fink P, Morency R, Ngo P, Simon C, Williams R, Perez L. "A Tool for the Automated Collection of Space Utilization Data: Three-Dimensional Space Utilization Monitor." Poster at 2018 NASA Human Research Program Investigators' Workshop, Galveston, TX, January 22-25, 2018. 2018 NASA Human Research Program Investigators' Workshop, Galveston, TX, January 22-25, 2018. , Jan-2018