

# Vibration Isolators Supplied for James Webb Telescope Testing

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Minus K Technology was chosen by ITT Space Systems, LLC, a subcontractor to Northrop Grumman Corp., to provide vibration isolators for the ground testing of the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) at NASA's Johnson Space Center (Houston, TX). The JWST will be placed in a vacuum chamber at Johnson Space Center, and supported by a set of custom vibration isolators.

The JWST is a large-aperture infrared space telescope currently planned for launch in 2014, and is designated to succeed the Hubble Space Telescope. A major factor in the selection of the vibration isolators was that they not only isolate vibration vertically, but also horizontally at less than 1 Hz. The passive isolators do not require air and offer better isolation than air and active isolation systems.

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