# What will happen after NIRSpec delivery?



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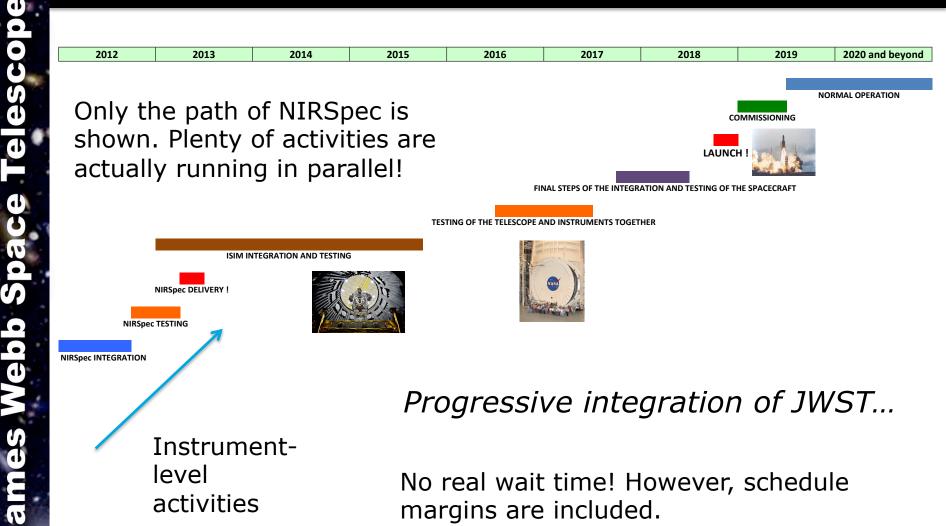
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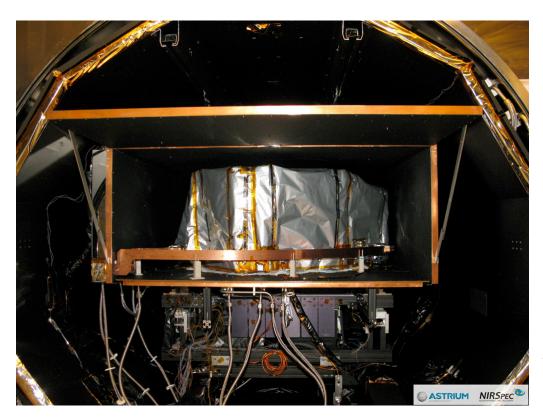
# NIRSpec delivery – mid. 2013 JWST launch – end 2018

- What will happen to NIRSpec (and JWST) during these 5 years is a very common (and legitimate) question.
- Many people believe that the instruments will be stored for a few years.

→ In fact it takes several years to integrate and test a satellite like JWST, so, not a dull moment for the instruments!

# The path of NIRSpec in the highlevel JWST schedule

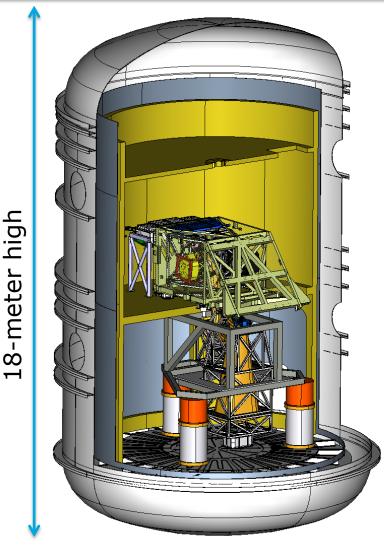




NIRSpec FM1 in its cryogenic chamber

You can put someone in the chamber (and we did...).

#### **Instrument-level testing...**





This is becoming cosy...

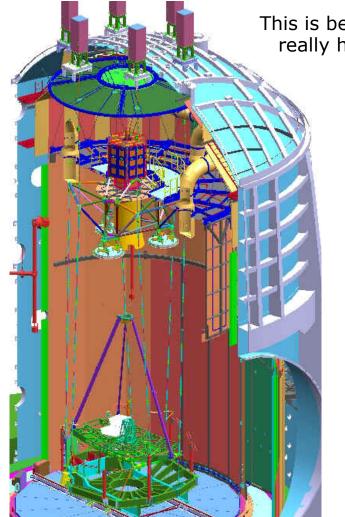
#### **ISIM-level** testing...



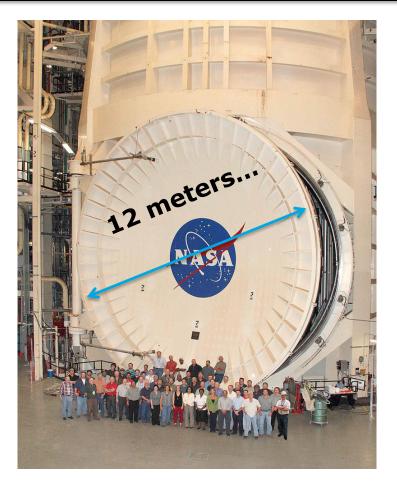
# Assembling the primary mirrors on their structure.

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This is becoming really huge ...



#### **OTIS-level testing...**