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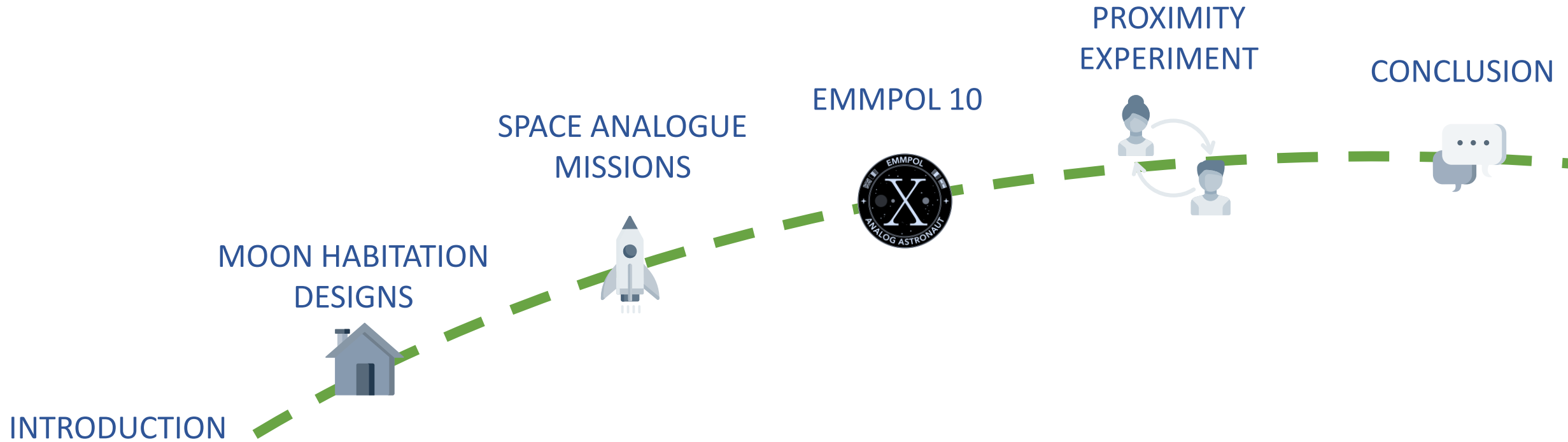
CREATING
A CIRCULAR
FUTURE

Analog astronaut habitats and space simulation systems

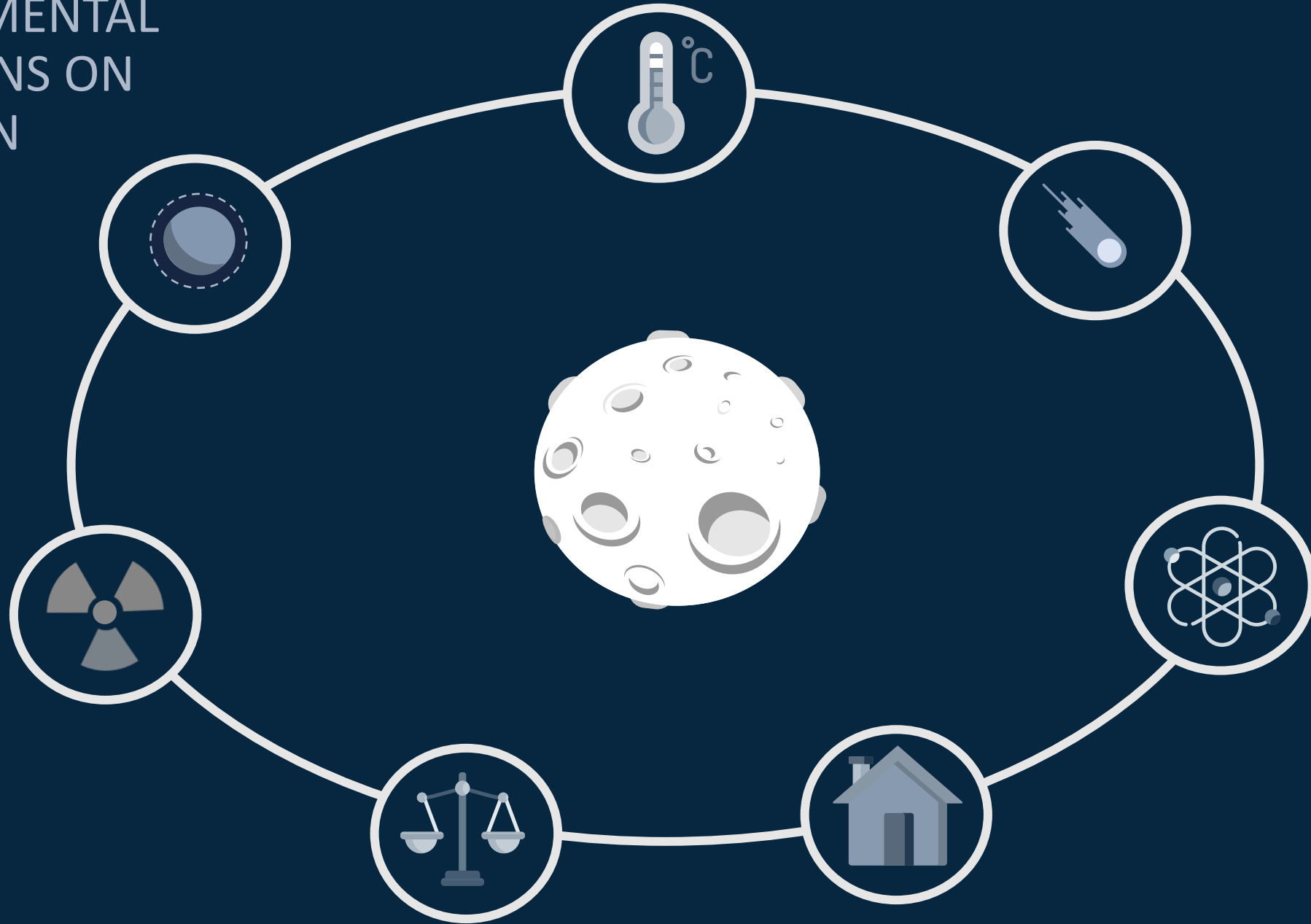
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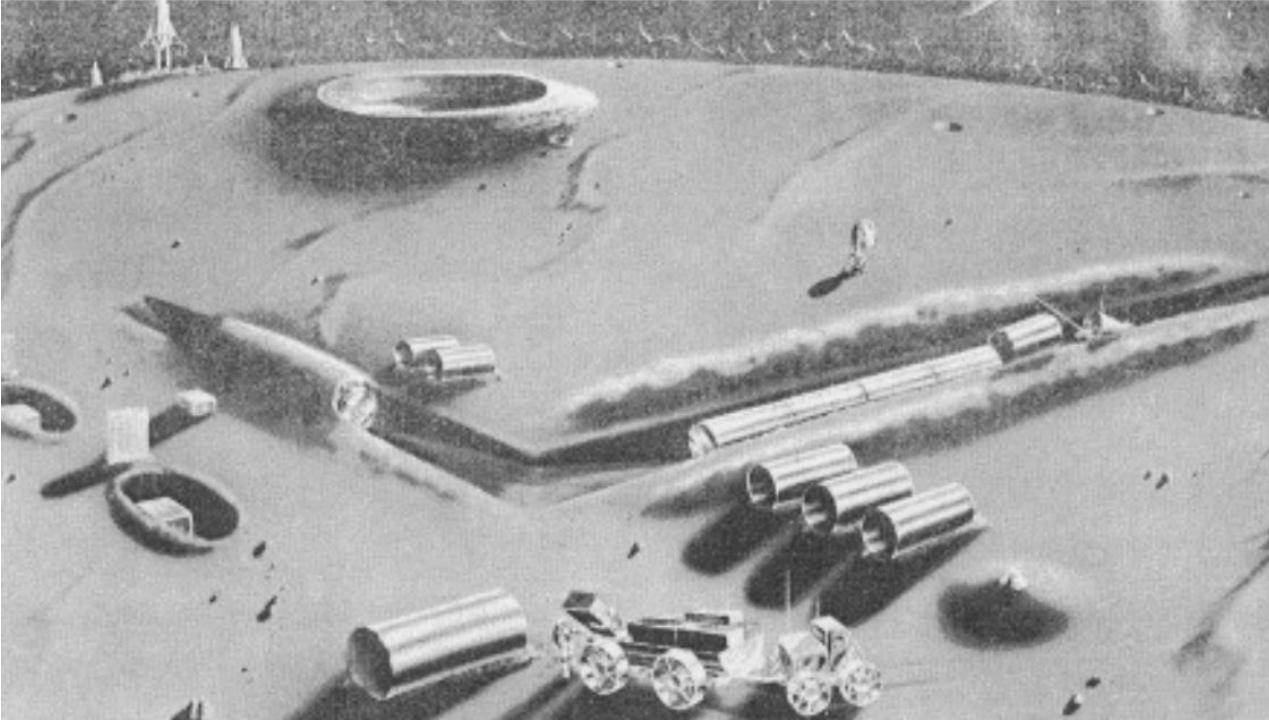
INTRODUCTION



ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS ON THE MOON



RIGID



- Designer: Wernher Von Braun
- Year: 1959
- Crew size: 12
- Dimensions per module:
 - Length: 6m
 - Diameter: 3m

INFLATABLE



- Designer: Fosters + Partners
- Year: 2012
- Crew size: 4
- Dimensions:
 - Length: 10m
 - Width: 5m
 - Height: 5m

RIGID STRUCTURES

<i>Name</i>	<i>Proj. Horizon</i>	<i>ELS</i>	<i>LESA</i>	<i>Galaktika</i>	<i>LSB</i>	<i>Zvezda</i>
Designer	Wernher Von Braun	Garrett AiResearch	NASA	Vladimir Barmin	University of Houston	Valentin Glushko
Year	1959	1966	1966	1969	1972	1974
Duration	Extended period	30 days	6 months	1 year	Extended period	Extended period
Crew size	12	2	6	4-12	12-180	6
Dimensions	Per module: Length: 6m Diameter: 3m	Length: 4.9m Diameter: 2.5m	Height: +/- 8m Diameter: +/-5	Length: 8.5m Width: 3.5m Height: 3.5m	Per module: Length: 10m Diameter: 5m	Length: 8.6m Diameter: 3.3m

INFLATABLE STRUCTURES

<i>Name</i>	<i>STEM</i>	<i>Tuft Pillow</i>	<i>InFlex</i>	<i>MoonCapital</i>	<i>Lunar Outpost Design</i>	<i>One Moon</i>
Designer	Goodyear et al.	Vanderbilt et al.	ILC Dover	Andreas Vogler	Fosters + Partners	SOM
Year	1965	1988	2006	2010	2012	2019
Duration	8 to 30 days	Extended period	(not known)	Extended period	(not known)	300 days
Crew size	2	(not known)	2	60	4	4
Dimensions	Length: 5.3m Diameter: 2.1m	Length: 6.1m Width: 6.1m Height: 3.0m	Diameter main module: 3.6m	Diameter: 135m Height: 45m	Length: 10m Width: 5m Height: 5m	390m ³

SIMULATION OF SPACE CONDITIONS



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EMMPOL MISSIONS



Poland

AATC and
EMM

Mostly
students

Crews up to 6

7 days

EMMPOL 10 CREW



William Dobney – Commander & Communication Officer

Loughborough University, United Kingdom

Daily briefing and debriefing, Set tasks for the crew, Keep moral up



Kato Claeys – Vice-Commander

KU Leuven, Belgium

Assisting the commander, Keeping track of the schedule



Flavia Palma – Medical Officer

University of Padua, Italy

Daily medical checks, Monitoring of physical, metabolic and visuospatial capacity, Monitoring of cardiovascular Parameters



Saikumar Mutte– Space Engineer

KU Leuven, Belgium

Technical support for all crew members, Monitoring the habitat sensors



Liliana Balotti – Public Outreach Officer

University of Bologna, Italy

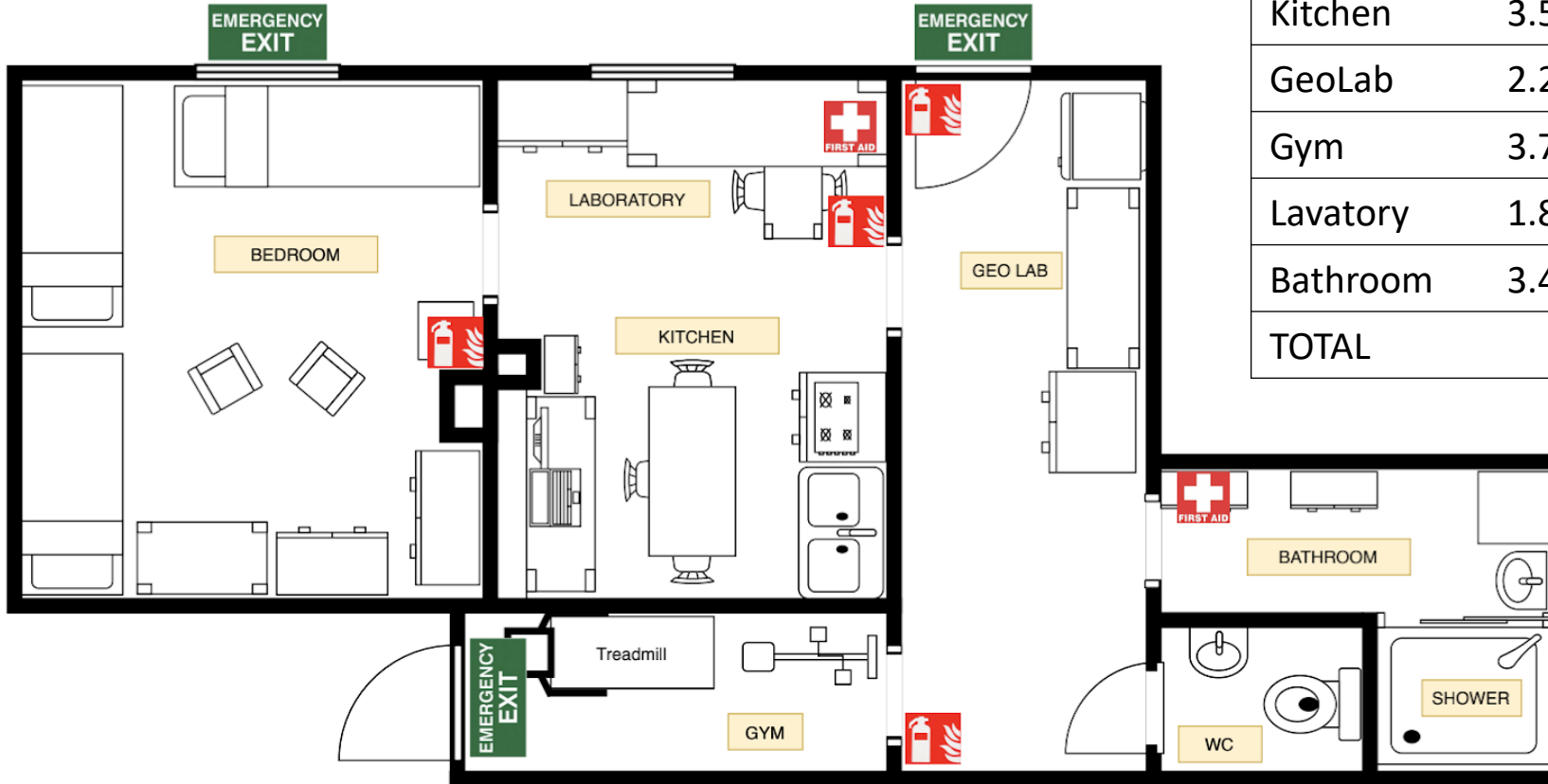
Setting up live events, Promoting our content on social media



PRE-MISSION TRAINING

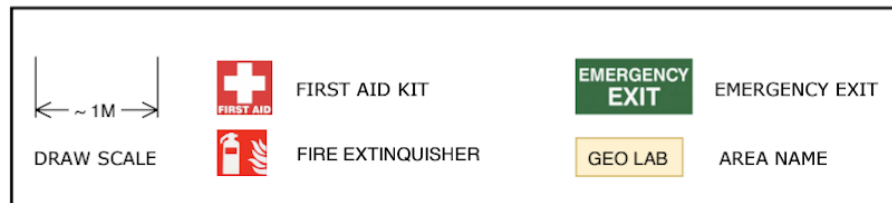
- Survival training
- Cryotherapy
- Cold water immersion
- Diving

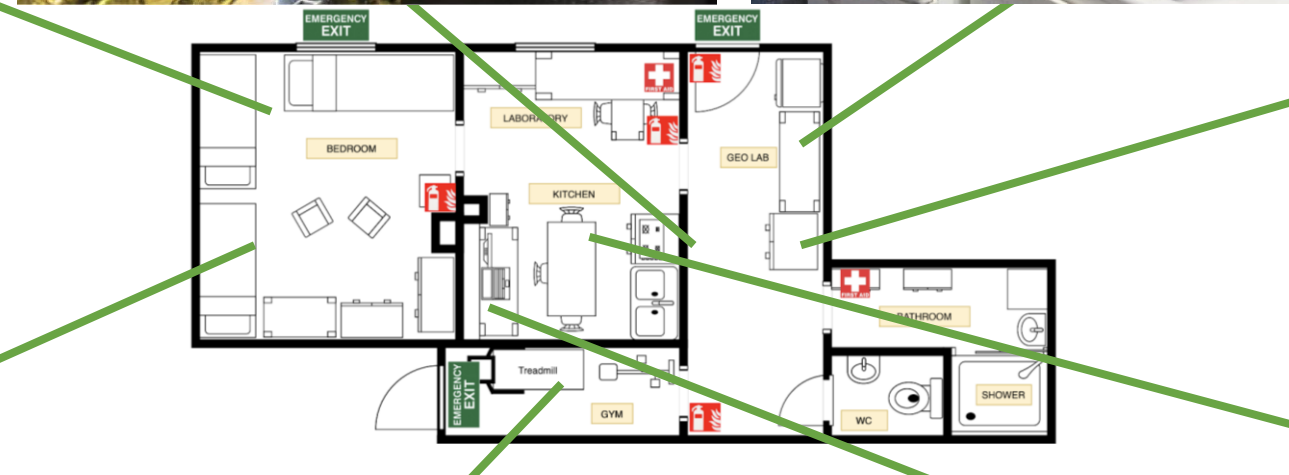
THE EMMPOL HABITAT



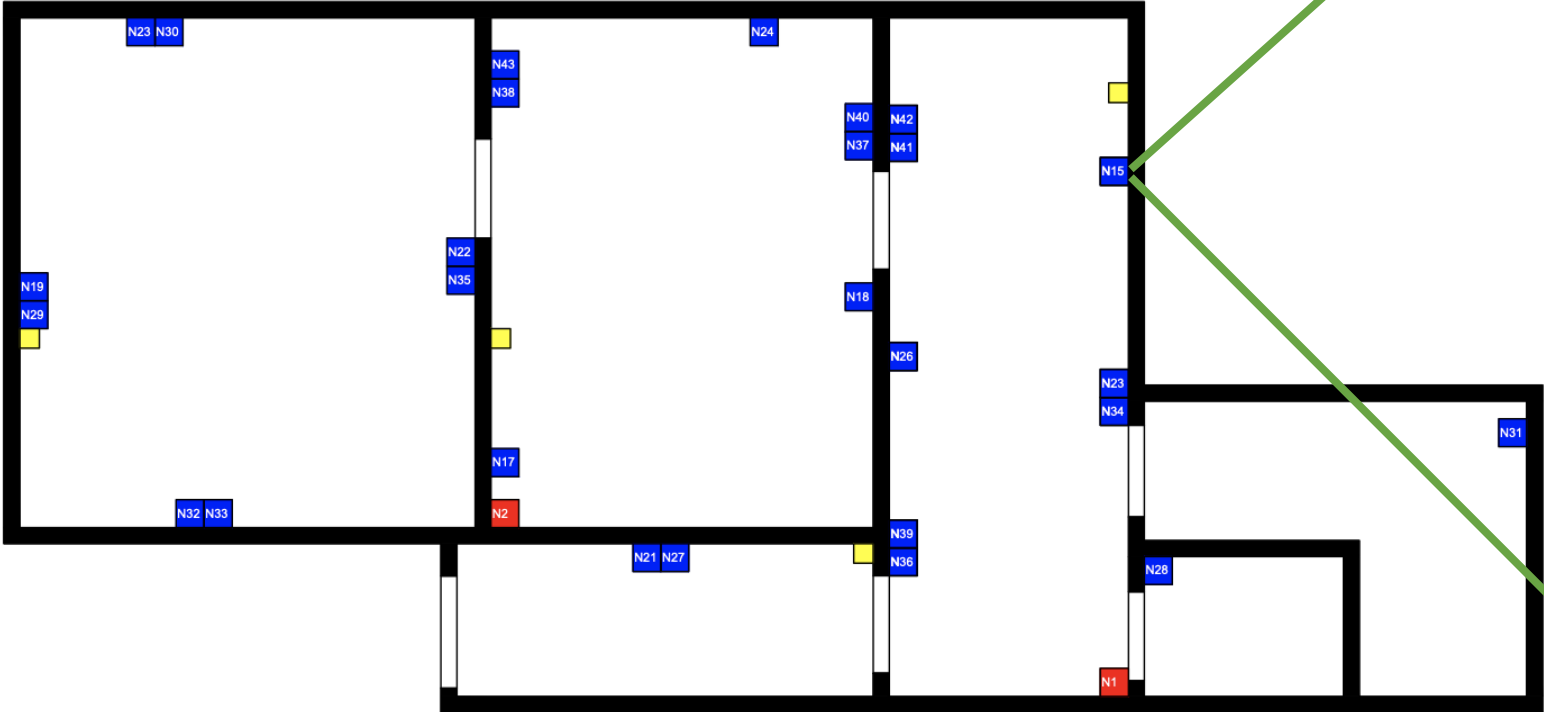
Room	Dimensions (m)	Area (m ²)
Bedroom	4*4.5	18
Kitchen	3.5*4.5	15.8
GeoLab	2.2*6	13.2
Gym	3.7*1.4	5.2
Lavatory	1.8*1.2	2.2
Bathroom	3.4*2.6 (L-shape)	6.3
TOTAL		60,7

LEGEND





ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL SYSTEMS



Mission Control Center

CO2 Levels

N15 1888	N18 1566	N20 2060	N19 2007
N21 2026	N17 1714	N22 1800	N25 1489
N24 1879	N23 1793	N29 1843	N27 2009
N30 1626	N31 4900	N26 1787	N28 2482
N35 1565	N36 1555	N40 1519	N41 1717
N32 1848	N38 2026	N37 1660	N43 1725
N42 1837	N39 2145	N34 1732	N33 1574



PHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING

- Sleep pattern
- Water consumption & urine production
- Circadian rhythm
- Sports

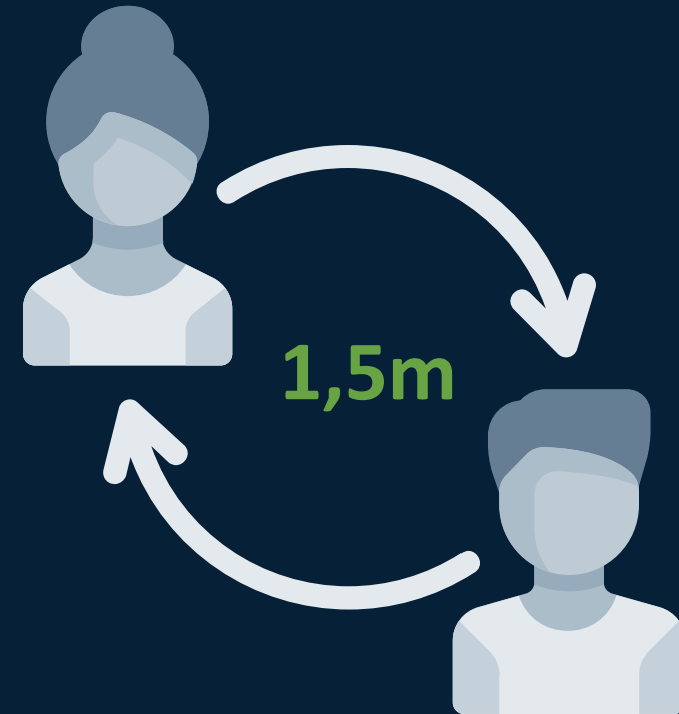


OTHER EXPERIMENTS

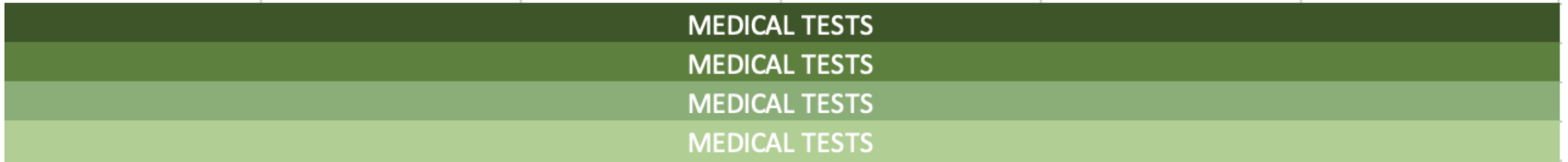
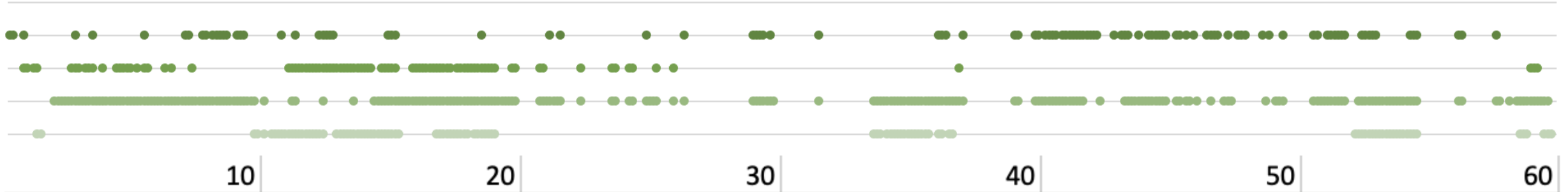
- Psychological experiments
- Vinci nap
- Kombucha mask & tea
- Subjective time perception
- Virtual Reality induced stress and social dynamics in an isolated Moon/Mars Environment
- Self-healing hydrogels and bacterial growth
- Friction testing REMMI rover on lunar regolith simulant

PROXIMITY EXPERIMENT

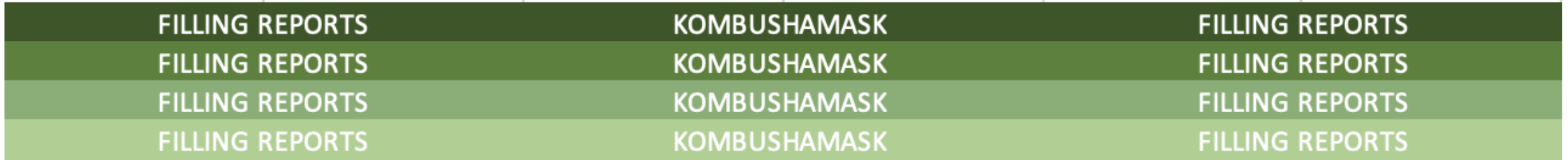
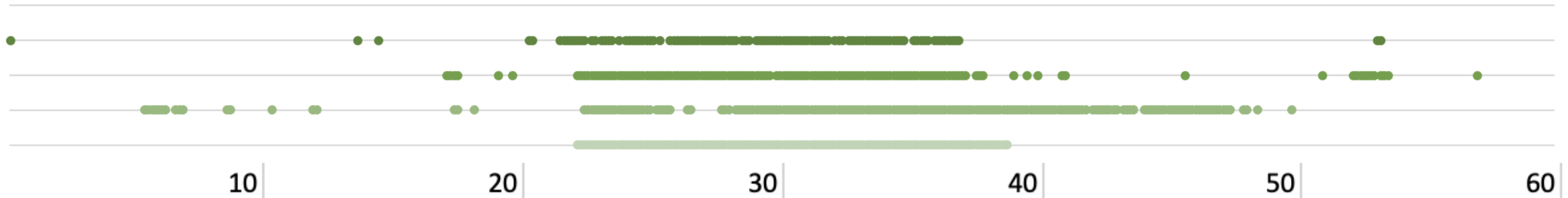
- Inspired by covid-19 pandemic
- Hypothetical experiment
- Social distance assistant
- 3 hours a day
- Questionnaires
- Audio analysis → Graphs
- Limitations
 - Limited data
 - Background noise
 - Analysing method



0-1 (day 7)



14-15 (day 6)



2-3 (day 7)



10

20

30

40

50

60

EXPERIMENTS + QUESTIONNAIRES

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7-8 (day 5)



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60

EXPERIMENTS + QUESTIONNAIRES

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SPORTS

EXPERIMENTS + QUESTIONNAIRES



CONCLUSION

Most of the time it is possible to keep distance between crew members in the habitat

Two groups of distance infringements:

- Planned activities
 - Meals
 - Group activities
 - Mutual experiments
 - most of this can be adapted by the schedule
- Circulation issues
 - separated circulation system is necessary

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