

‘Galactic 07’ Mission Launch Window Opens June 8

Flight Will Mark Virgin Galactic’s Seventh Commercial Mission, Seventh Research Mission

Multiple Research Experiments to Include Axiom Space and University Payloads

ORANGE COUNTY, Calif.--(May 1, 2024) -- Virgin Galactic Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: SPCE) today announced the ‘Galactic 07’ flight window will open Saturday, June 8, 2024. This will be the Company’s second spaceflight this year and 12th to date.

Virgin Galactic’s spaceship will again be converted into a suborbital science lab, with VSS Unity carrying an Axiom Space affiliated researcher astronaut who will conduct multiple human-tended experiments. In addition, Purdue University and UC Berkeley will have autonomous payloads on board, supported by [NASA’s Flight Opportunities program](#). This mission showcases Virgin Galactic’s ability to provide a flexible microgravity research platform, benefiting further space exploration initiatives as well as innovations on Earth.

“Discovery and innovation are central to our mission at Virgin Galactic. We’re excited to build on our successful record of facilitating scientific experiments in suborbital space, and we look forward to continuing to expand our role in suborbital research going forward,” said Michael Colglazier, CEO of Virgin Galactic. “‘Galactic 07’ will also mark and celebrate VSS Unity’s final commercial flight – an exciting and historic turning point for the business as we dedicate our resources fully to the production of our next-generation Delta spaceships, on track for commercial service in 2026.”

The hybrid research and private astronaut crew of ‘Galactic 07’ will include:

- Astronaut 027 – Research Astronaut, Axiom Space (research and astronaut to be announced in coming weeks)
- Astronaut 028 – Private Astronaut, California, USA
- Astronaut 029 – Private Astronaut, New York, USA
- Astronaut 030 – Private Astronaut, Italy

The Virgin Galactic crew will include:

- VSS Unity Commander Nicola Pecile and pilot Jameel Janjua
- VMS Eve Commander Andy Edgell and pilot C.J. Sturckow

The ‘Galactic 07’ autonomous rack-mounted research payloads will include a Purdue University experiment designed to study propellant slosh in fuel tanks of maneuvering spacecraft, as well as a UC Berkeley payload testing a new type of 3D printing. Virgin Galactic has flown payloads for NASA’s Flight Opportunities program since the Company’s first spaceflight in 2018 and was recently [selected](#) by NASA as a contracted flight provider for the next five years.

Galactic 07 will also include research and participation from Virgin Galactic partner Axiom Space.

“Axiom Space’s commitment to enabling access to space and providing opportunities for scientific discovery beyond Earth aligns closely with Virgin Galactic’s mission,” said Tejpal Bhatia, chief revenue officer of Axiom Space. “We are very excited about this upcoming ‘Galactic 07’ flight; stay tuned for more on our groundbreaking research and astronaut participant as we get closer to June 8.”

Today’s announcement follows notification from the FAA that Virgin Galactic’s investigation into the cause of the alignment pin that detached from VMS Eve following the release of VSS Unity during the ‘Galactic 06’ mission on January 26th, 2024 is approved. The FAA has accepted Virgin Galactic’s final investigation report, as well as the corrective actions that have been made to enhance the retention mechanism of the pin and the addition of a secondary retention mechanism.

Stay tuned to Virgin Galactic’s social channels for further updates.

About Virgin Galactic

Virgin Galactic is an aerospace and space travel company, pioneering human spaceflight for private individuals and researchers with its advanced air and space vehicles. Scale and profitability are driven by next generation vehicles designed to be capable of bringing humans to space at an unprecedented frequency with an industry-leading cost structure. You can find more information at <https://www.virgingalactic.com/>.

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