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The first images returned by NASA's Lucy spacecraft flyby of a small main belt asteroid showed that Dinkinesh has a moon. The inset image shows the "moonrise" of Dinkinesh's satellite at the point of closest approach. However, as more data was returned, a different perspective revealed that the satellite is a contact binary, made of two smaller objects touching each other, shown in the background "family portrait." Over Lucy's 12-year journey, the spacecraft will fly by eight target asteroids with three known satellites.



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SwRI's proprietary Rhodium™ software screened millions of possible antiviral compounds, identifying 88 viable candidates that we synthesized for testing. Three compounds exhibited sufficient potency to warrant scale-up and further evaluation as a potential treatment for hemorrhagic fevers, such as Ebola.

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high-speed cameras and equipment to image hypersonic projectiles in flight, capturing and visualizing invisible features such as shock waves and turbulence, as this projectile launches at four times the speed of sound.



SwRI received a 2023 R&D 100 award recognizing the Wideband Conformal Continuous-Slot Antenna Array that collects signals to determine enemy locations as one of the top 100 inventions of the year. The innovative, compact antenna array — part of SwRI's AS-750 family of advanced antennas — operates in the super-high and ultra-high frequency bands of the electromagnetic spectrum. Measuring just seven inches in height (not shown to scale), this novel system can operate from a lower position on a ship mast, freeing up valuable space for higher-priority communications systems — a distinct advantage over comparable antenna technology.