



NAVAL MEDICAL RESEARCH UNIT DAYTON

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Overview

Mission

To enhance the health, readiness, and performance of Warfighters through environmental health effects, toxicology, and aerospace medical research and development.

Vision

To deliver world-class research and development products to enhance Warfighter health, readiness, and performance in operational environments.



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Environmental Health Effects Laboratory

Health effects of environmental hazards/stressors.

Chemical stressors



Physical stressors



Combinations/Co-stressors

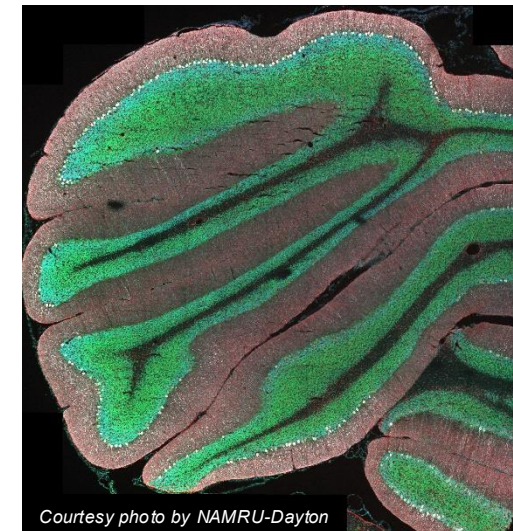
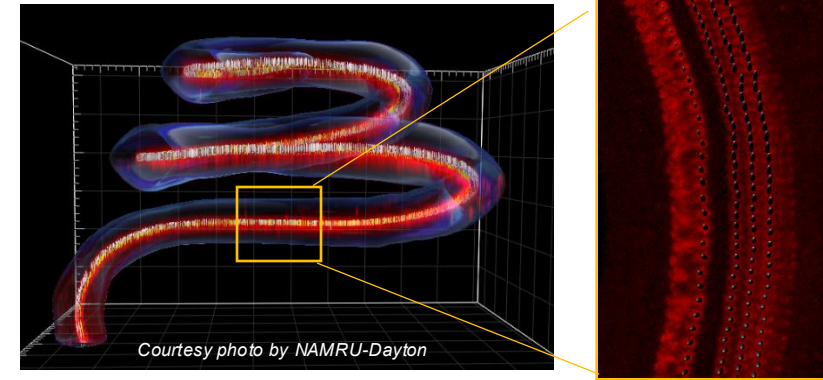
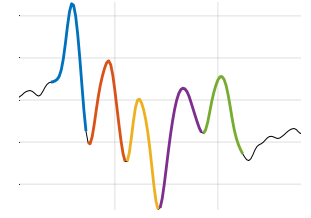


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Environmental Health Effects Laboratory

Core Capabilities:

- *In vivo* exposures; unique expertise in inhalation toxicology
- *In vitro* exposures
- Determinations of health effects of exposure
 - General/gross tissue changes
 - Hematology & clinical chemistry
 - Ex vivo tissue analyses
 - Hearing testing
 - Microbiological/microbiome alterations
 - Chemical & analytical testing
 - Pulmonary assessments
 - Cognitive & behavioral testing
 - Neurophysiology evaluation
 - Reproductive & developmental effects
- Risk Assessment

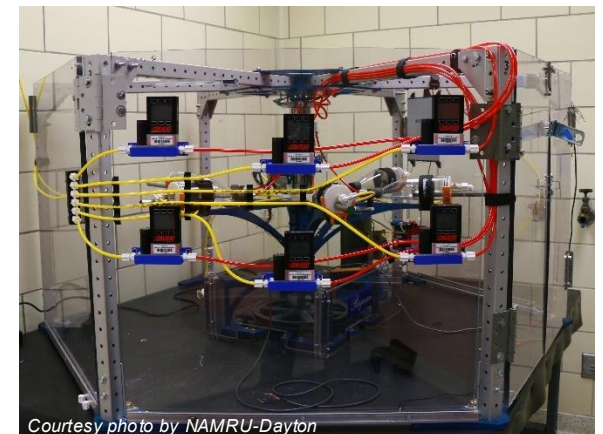
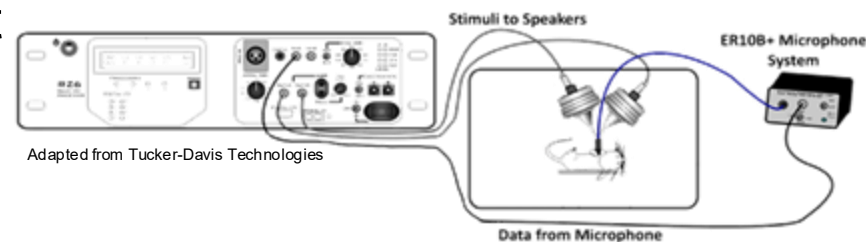


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Environmental Health Effects Laboratory

Science Facilities:

- Analytical/Chemistry
- Animal Exposure Facility
- Animal Imaging
- Animal Pulmonary Assessment
- Cell/Tissue Culture (*In vitro*)
- Pre-clinical Assessment
- AFRL Animal Facility
- Animal Behavioral/Cognition
- Neuroelectrophysiology
- Physical Performance
- Animal Hearing Assessment
- Molecular Biology
- Rodent Centrifuge



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Naval Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory

Mitigate and prevent leading factors associated with aviation mishaps.
Protect and enhance the health, readiness, and performance of aircrew.

**Acceleration &
Sensory Science**

**Environmental
Physiology**

**Expeditionary Medicine
& Biomedical
Sciences**

**Brain & Cognitive
Sciences**

**Research Devices &
ETSS Program**



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Naval Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory

Core Research Programs

- Acceleration & Multisensory Effects
 - Vestibular Physiology
 - Spatial Disorientation
 - Motion Sickness
- Aircrew Neck/Back Pain & Injury
- Cognitive Neuroscience
- Altitude Effects
 - Respiratory Physiology
 - In-cockpit Physiologic Monitoring
- Fatigue Assessment & Mitigation
- Vision Standards & Performance
- Aviation Personnel Selection Testing
- En Route Care
- CBRN & Human Performance
- Aircrew Physiology



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Naval Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory

Research Facilities

- Human Rated Motion Platforms
 - Disorientation Research Device/Kraken
 - MOOG
 - Vertical Linear Accelerator
 - Vestibular Research Lab
- Spatial Disorientation Simulators
- Cognitive & Applied Performance Lab
- Altitude Effects
 - Environmental Chamber
 - Reduced Oxygen Breathing Environment
 - Sensors Lab
 - Respiratory Physiology Labs
 - Unmanned Breathing Systems Lab
- Operational Biomechanics & Ergonomics (OBiE) Lab



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Naval Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory

Research Facilities

- Sleep & Fatigue Lab
- Vision Research Labs
 - “Bug Eye” Collimated Light Flight Simulator
 - Marksmanship Performance & Laser Research Lab
 - Vision Performance Laboratory & Eye Examination Lane
 - Night Vision Goggle Lab
- Mixed Reality Simulation
- Naval Extended Reality User Support Lab
- MV-22 Osprey
- Fabrication Facility
- Wet Lab



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Hot topics

- AI assist for health status monitoring
- AI assist for remote medical decision making by non-experts
- Unmanned patient movement
- Personal battlefield exposure monitoring (e.g., chemical, thermal, blast exposures)
- Cognitive workload management in advanced aircraft and human-machine teaming
- Health and performance in cold environments



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