SPRINT-A/EXCEED Mission

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We present a new mission SPRINT-A/EXCEED, which aims to make observations of

Jupiter's Io plasma torus and the escaping atmosphere of Venus and Mars and their

flux dependences on strength of the solar wind flux at the extreme ultraviolet(EUV) wavelength.

SPRINT-A/EXCEED is the first mission of the new category Small Satellite Series in JAXA, and

is in the phase-B now. The mission payload contains an EUV spectrometer,

and a guiding camera which maintains the pointing accuracy of the mission.

SPRINT-A/EXCEED employs a new standard and flexible satellite bus module

developed for the series in JAXA. The sattellite will be launched in space

by the new solid propulsion rocket in 2012.

The mass and the size of the space craft is 280Kg, and 1m X 1m X 4m.

We will introduce the mission and its instrument, and the scientific details.