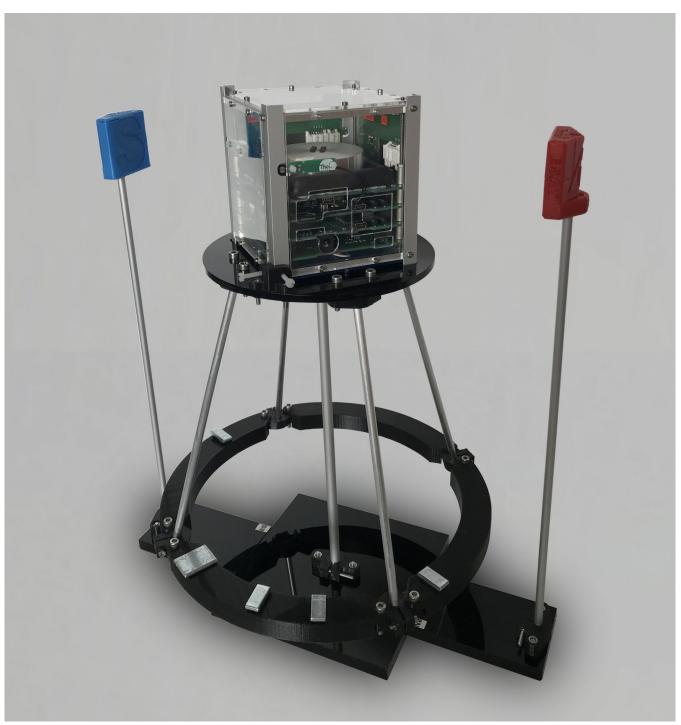
Ground support for nanosatellite laboratory models

The support equipment includes a solar simulator, rotary table and magnetic simulator



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Description of the services offered

The ground support team enables the user to simulate particular conditions in orbit and get a complete experience when using ESAT.

Applications

- Teaching: The ESAT and its GSE are an ideal tool for doing practicals in university and business environments where it is necessary to be familiar with the design and function of a CubeSAT.
- Research: Enables students and developers to design and test prototypes for software and hardware sub-systems easily, in a controlled environment recognised on the ground.

Differential skills

- The on-board software is developed in the Arduino environment, with easy integration and personalisation into other examples and programs developed in this environment being possible.
- Both ESAT and its ground-based segment are developed using open, free code, which enables the user to make any modifications and personalisations they wish, or consider suitable.
- The ground support team makes it possible to simulate different conditions in space, such as the freedom of Z-axis rotation, the magnetic field or solar light.

Where it is

E-USOC (**Spanish Operations and User Support Centre**) is a centre at the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (**UPM**) specialising in Research and Development work (R&D)in the fields of space science and technology. In the name of the European Space Agency,

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E-USOC is the point of contact for teams of Spanish users developing experiments that require a microgravity environment, such as the International Space Station , missions on the space shuttle , and parabolic flights, etc.

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