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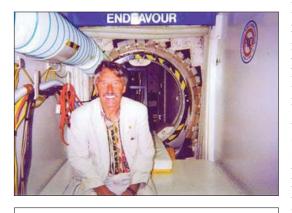
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## Not Science Fiction Any More, It's Science





Boris Miksic, President/CEO of Cortec® Corporation On Space Shuttle Endeavour

In 2011 after 135 missions and 30 years of service, NASA retired its space shuttle fleet. Endeavour, launched on 25 missions and flew 122.8 million miles (197 million kilometers), is the last space shuttle to go to its final landing. It will now be permanently displayed in its new museum home at the California Science Center, Los Angeles. Cortec<sup>®</sup> has been right there helping the U.S. Space Shuttle Program protect Endeavour and the other shuttles from corrosion with VpCI<sup>®</sup>-101, 105, & 111 Emitters, VpCI<sup>®</sup>-368, VpCI<sup>®</sup>-238, and VpCI<sup>®</sup>-126 Film. For deep storage applications MilCorr<sup>®</sup> and CorrLam<sup>®</sup> were also used.

The agency retired the fleet last summer to spend more time and money developing new vehicles and rockets for deep-space exploration to reach destinations like Mars. The Shuttle Program may now be history but the future of the U.S. Space Program is right before us and  $Cortec^{®}$  is blasting off with it!



Like "Blue Ocean Strategy" (W. Chan Kim & Renée Mauborgne) as space gets crowded, and prospects for growth are reduced NASA is ready to leave the Red Ocean (earth orbit) behind and is starting into the Blue Universe (Deep Space) – the unknown, defined by untapped space, knowledge, and the opportunity for growth. Cortec® will be present, as NASA creates the future of space exploration, with our tried and true corrosion control products. And, Cortec® will continue developing new, cutting edge, and innovative products to offer as technology advances farther into the cosmos.



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