

# **BLACK BRANT 5 ROCKET MOTOR**

The Black Brant 5 rocket motor, designed and developed at Magellan Aerospace, can be used as a single or multi-stage vehicle for placing scientific payloads into space, or as a ballistic missile target.

Since 1962, more than 1,000 Black Brants have been launched with a vehicle success rate of 98.7% (99.4% since 1982).



HIGH PERFORMING ROCKET • AFFORDABLE • RELIABLE









#### BLACK BRANT MOTOR MASS AND PERFORMANCE PROPERTIES

Units	Post-Fire	Pre-Fire	Property	Pre-Fire	Post-Fire	Units
°F	-10 to 125		Operating/Storage Temperature Range	-23 to 52		°C
sec	26.53		Action Time	26.53		sec
Extended Exit Cone with 4 Fin Tail Assembly:						
Imb	604.7	2819.9	Total Propulsion Unit Weight	1279.1	274.3	kg
lbf-sec	602792		Vacuum Total Impulse at 21 °C	2681.352		kN-sec
Standard Exit Cone with 4 Fin Tail Assembly:						
lbm	566.2	2781.4	Total Propulsion Unit Weight	1261.6	256.8	kg
lbf-sec	572165		Vacuum Total Impulse at 70 °F / 21 °C	2545.117		kN-sec

#### PROPELLANT

The solid propellant is an aluminized hydroxyl-terminated polybutadiene (HTPB) propellant. The propellant grain configuration provides an approximately neutral pressure/thrust-time trace.

### CASE INSULATION/ LINER SYSTEM

The motor case insulation/liner system consists primarily of Kevlar fibre-filled EPDM rubber.

## MOTOR CASE

The motor case is made from 4140 alloy steel and heat treated. Each motor case is hydrostatically proof pressure tested.

### MOTOR TO VEHICLE INTERFACES

The Black Brant 5 igniter housing assembly is attached to the motor case head end through the forward tension joint, and the Black Brant 5 aft body assembly is attached to the motor case aft end through the aft tension joint. The four fins are then bolted to the aft body assembly.

## NOZZLE AND EXIT CONE

The nozzle consists of a graphite throat insert and a steel housing. The exit cone consists of a carbon and silica/phenolic liner and a steel housing.

## IGNITER

The igniter contains boron potassium nitrate (BPN) pyrotechnic main charge within a consumable plastic basket, and a booster charge.

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