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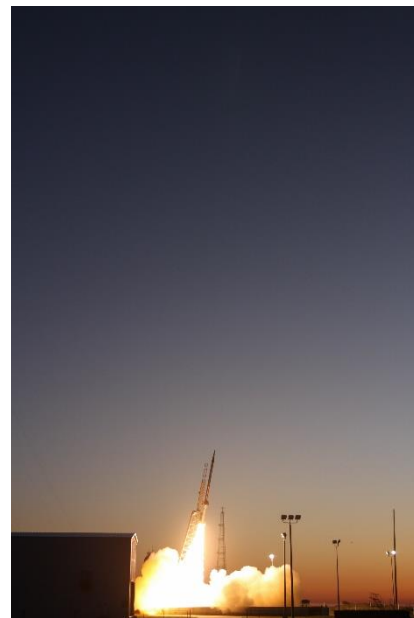
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The Test Connection, Inc. Becomes First Test Engineering Company in Space

Baltimore, MD – June 2026 – The Test Connection, Inc. (TTCI), a provider of electronic test and manufacturing solutions, can now lay claim to what few companies in the electronics industry can: having officially supported a mission that reached space.



From left to right: Phil Alsop, Rishabh Maharaja, Jeff Volosin, Bert Horner, Connor Trout and Julianna Allar



Date of Launch: 6/24/26 at 5:30 am

TTCI recently contributed engineering time and resources to the Observation & Detection Interpreted by Neural-networks (ODIN) project, a student-developed payload by Capitol Technology University in Laurel, Maryland. The [ODIN payload was one of only twelve payloads selected by NASA](#) for its RockSat mission this June — primarily for its advanced sensors and unique onboard AI system capable of interpreting data in real time. After integration onto NASA's RockSat rocket, the payloads were successfully launched from NASA's Wallops Flight Facility in Virginia, marking a major milestone for the university team and everyone involved in bringing the mission from concept to reality.

While TTCI's role was part of a much larger effort, the company is proud to have supported the next generation of engineers in developing technologies intended to advance AI applications in space. The

ODIN payload project represents an important step toward future autonomous systems capable of operating in space environments that prove challenging for human exploration.

For TTCI, the launch was about more than watching a rocket leave the pad. It was an opportunity to help students gain real-world engineering experience while contributing to a project with ambitious technical goals.

"Being associated with a NASA mission is something we're incredibly proud of," said Bert Horner, President of The Test Connection. "The success of the ODIN project reflects the talent and determination of the students and faculty at Capitol Technology University. We're grateful to have played a small role in helping them reach this milestone."



From left to right: Prof. Jeffrey Volosin, Philip Alsop, Zoé Denito, Eddie Zhou, Daniel Geer, Elijah Mister, Owen Coffee, Jason Gedlu, Taylor Fryer, James Gross, Joe Moser, Prof. Rishabh Maharaja

The successful launch highlights the value of collaboration between academia and industry. By working together, educational institutions and engineering companies can help accelerate innovation while preparing students for careers in advanced technology fields.

NASA's Wallops Flight Facility provides launch and flight services supporting scientific research, technology development, defense initiatives, and commercial aerospace programs. The facility serves as a critical hub for missions ranging from suborbital research flights to orbital launches.

TTCI extends its congratulations to the ODIN team, Capitol Technology University, and all mission partners on a successful launch and mission accomplishment.

With more than 45 years of experience, TTCI specializes in in-circuit test (ICT), functional test development, and boundary scan solutions for high-reliability industries including aerospace, defense, medical, and automotive. As an ISO 9001:2015 certified and ITAR-registered company, TTCI helps manufacturers improve product quality, reliability, and test coverage across complex electronic assemblies.

To learn more about TTCI's test services, visit www.ttci.com. For information on training programs, visit www.ttc-llc.us.

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About The Test Connection Inc.

The Test Connection Inc. (TTCI) is a leading provider of electronic test and manufacturing solutions, serving a diverse range of industries. With a strong commitment to quality and innovation, TTCI also believes in giving back to the community through meaningful charitable initiatives. For more information, visit www.ttci.com.

About Capitol Technology University

Capitol Technology University is a leading STEM university located in Laurel, MD near the vibrant DC metropolitan area. Ranked #1 in Maryland for salary outcomes at all degree levels, the university's mission is to educate individuals for successful professional careers in STEM research, engineering, management, and business by providing relevant learning experiences. Through industry-expert faculty, technical skills development, and innovative partnerships, Capitol Tech fosters career advancement opportunities for the evolving global community. For more information, visit www.captechu.edu.

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