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**One year after landing - An update on the Mars 2020 Perseverance rover's mission to Jezero crater,
Mars**

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The Mars 2020 Perseverance rover landed in Jezero crater on Mars on February 18, 2021. Since that time, the Mars 2020 rover science team has conducted field reconnaissance and analysis of two major geological units on the floor of Jezero crater and collected 7 samples (1 atmospheric sample and 6 rock samples) that will eventually be returned to Earth for further, in-depth analysis. Her companion, the Ingenuity helicopter, conducted the first ever powered, controlled flight by an aircraft on another planet, and continues operating as a scout vehicle for the rover. This update will discuss Perseverance and Ingenuity's operations, the discoveries that have been made using the rover's scientific instrument payload, and what the precious samples collected by the rover might teach us about the geological and astrobiological history of the Red Planet.

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