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The Van Allen Belt

The Van Allen Belt is actually two regions of intense radiation of charged particles trapped in the earth's magnetic field and partly surrounding the earth at heights of several thousand kilometres. The inner region is located at an altitude of about 2,000 miles (3,200 km) and contains protons and electrons. The outer belt is located at an altitude of between 9,000 and 15,000 miles (14,500 and 19,000 km) and contains electrons from the solar wind. [The orbital altitude of the space shuttle is 185 miles.]

They were discovered by James Van Allen in 1958 and were previously unsuspected. The regions are within 'the magnetosphere'¹ which protects the earth from harmful cosmic rays, such as solar protons from the solar wind.

The radiation contained includes deadly gamma radiation, which is impossible for humans to survive in. However, gamma radiation, when it comes into contact with metal objects, turns into X-rays, which are also harmful over a prolonged period (say several minutes). There is no way that humans in a small spacecraft made chiefly of thin metal could survive travelling through this radiation belt. The radiation can also affect satellites.

If it is claimed that NASA spacesuits would enable survival then think again. A scientist approached the makers of the NASA spacesuits asking if they could provide protection for a human exposed to the radiation at Chernobyl. The answer was emphatically 'no'. The suit was not designed to protect from intense radiation of any sort. It enabled a person to survive in a vacuum and gave some protection to variations of heat.

In order for a human being to survive travelling through the Van Allen Belt, he would have to be in a spaceship that was made of lead several feet thick, and even that is problematic, but it is entirely impossible to launch such a heavy object by rocket propulsion. NASA's answer is that the astronauts passed through the radiation belt very quickly and only had a short exposure. That is as ridiculous as saying that running through the Chernobyl power station would save you from radiation poisoning.

But it is not just the Van Allen Belt; beyond that region astronauts would be exposed to intense radiation from deadly solar flares. Conservative estimates affirm that exposure would be about 375 rems per day. Safe exposure, according to the IAEA, is 5 rems a year. The Apollo missions (1969-72) occurred during a solar maximum, with peak numbers of flares every day.

These astronomical facts prove the lie that Americans passed through this belt on the way to the moon. No astronaut has done more than experience a low orbit of the earth. There is a reason why CIA whistleblowers call NASA, 'Not A Space Agency'.²

The New Oxford Dictionary; The Hutchinson Dictionary of Science (TSP); The New York Public Library Science Desk Reference (Macmillan); Dictionary of Scientific Literacy (Wiley). David P Wozney, 'Deadly radiation at and past the Van Allen Shields'.

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¹ A cylindrical region surrounding the Earth in which the solar wind is accelerated by the Earth's magnetic field.

² Such as Robert Steele. In fact it is an arm of the CIA for disinformation, distraction and mind control.