A PIECE OF THE MOON



Slice of Lunar Meteorite NWA (North West Africa) 6355

NWA 6355 was discovered in Morocco in 2009. It contains glass and rock fragments from the lunar highlands that are similar to the lunar surface samples returned to Earth by Apollo 16, the 5th U.S. mission to the Moon. (Meteoritical Bulletin #99, April 12, 1012)

About half the mass of this Moon rock slice is oxygen. Future space explorers could use lunar oxygen and could mine helium three on the Moon, and ship it to Earth to produce clean energy.

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