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Tripod

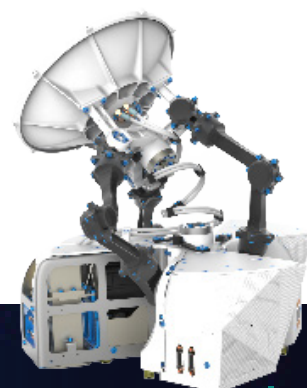
Comat has developed an innovative antenna-pointing mechanism, in collaboration with the French Space Agency (CNES).

This equipment is intended for X band telemetry downlink to be flown onboard next generations of Earth Observation satellites. The Tripod orients a Ø220 mm high-gain parabolic X-band antenna.

Main benefits

- ✓ A unique parallel architecture offering
- ✓ 3 degrees of freedom (Azimuth, Site, Zoom)
- ✓ Excellent agility for antenna-pointing applications
- ✓ Infinite azimuth turns
- ✓ Dual polarization through 2 RF cables, without slip rings
- ✓ Very low jitter thanks to a reduced mobile mass (since the 3 actuators remain stationary on the baseplate)
- ✓ Easy-to-use central hold down & release system
- ✓ ITAR-free
- ✓ Compliant with ECSS standards.

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Key features

Precision 1° (worst case)	Initialization time < 15s	Lifetime on low Earth orbit 10 years
Maximum pointing speed in tracking mode 5°/s	Station transition time 8s (average) / 25s (worst case)	Data rate 2 Gbps with low insertion loss (<1.5 dB @ pointing system level)
Pointing domain +/-74° elevation	Infinite azimuth rotation 360°	



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