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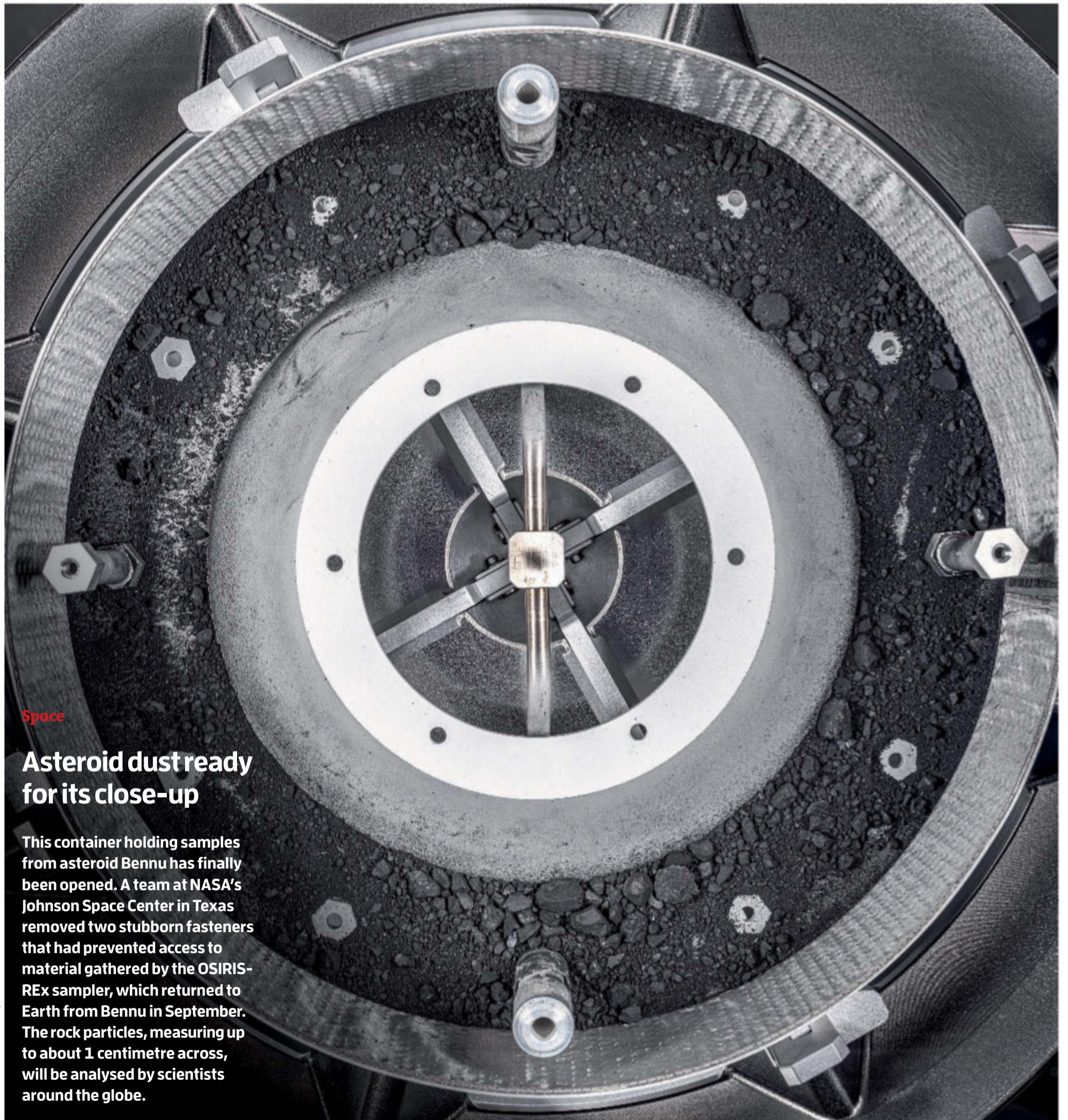
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Space

Asteroid dust ready for its close-up

This container holding samples from asteroid Bennu has finally been opened. A team at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Texas removed two stubborn fasteners that had prevented access to material gathered by the OSIRIS-REx sampler, which returned to Earth from Bennu in September. The rock particles, measuring up to about 1 centimetre across, will be analysed by scientists around the globe.