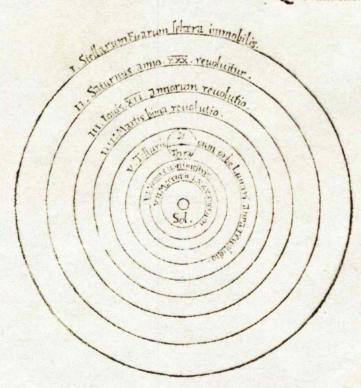


"There are infinite worlds both like and unlike this world of ours...We must believe that in all worlds there are living creatures and planets and other things we see in this world."

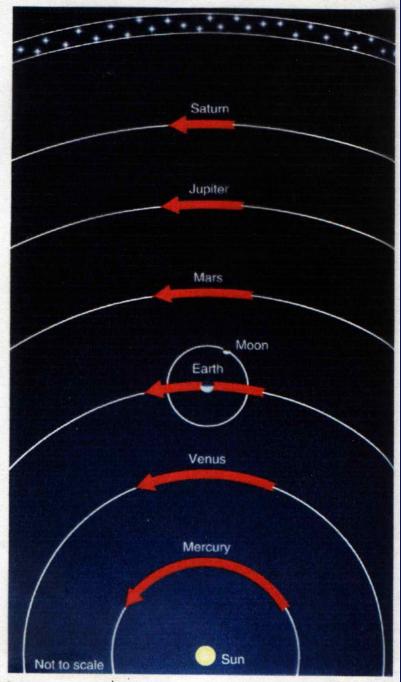
Epicurius c. 300 B.C

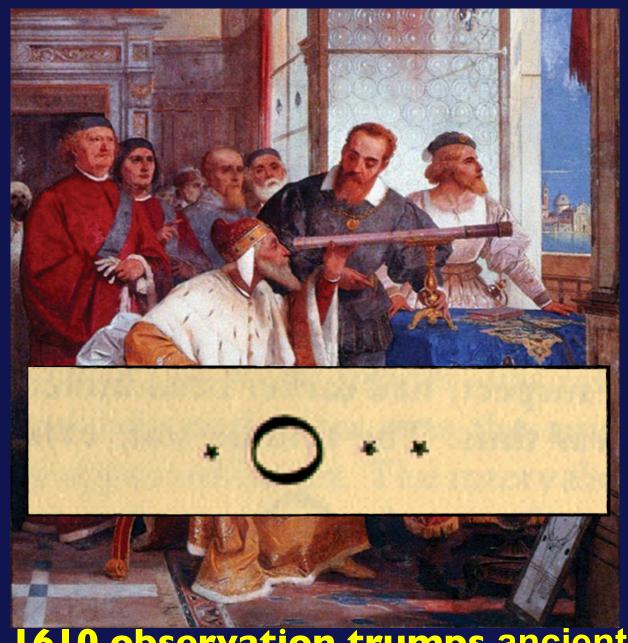
NICOLAI COPERNICI

net, in quoterram cum orbe lunaritanquam epicyclo contineri dixmus. Qu nto loco Venus nono mensereducitur. Sextum dente locum Mercurius tenet, octuaginta dierum spaciocircu currens. In medio uero omnium relidet Sol. Quisenimin hoe



pulcherrimo templo lampadem hanc in alio uel melioriloco po neret, quàm unde totum limul possici illuminare: Siquidem non anepte quidam lucernam mundi, alij mentem, alij rectorem uo-cant. Trimegistus uisibilem Deum, Sophoel's Electra intuente omnia. Ita prosecto tanquam insolio regali Sol residens circum agentem gubernat Astrorum familiam. Tellus quoque minime fraudatur lunari ministerio sed ut Aristoteles de animalibus ait, maximam Luna cum terra cognatione habet. Co ipit interea à Soleterra, & impregnatur annno partu. Inuenimus igitur sub



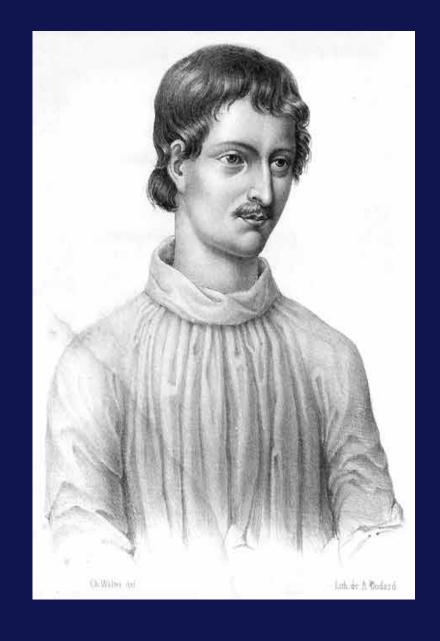


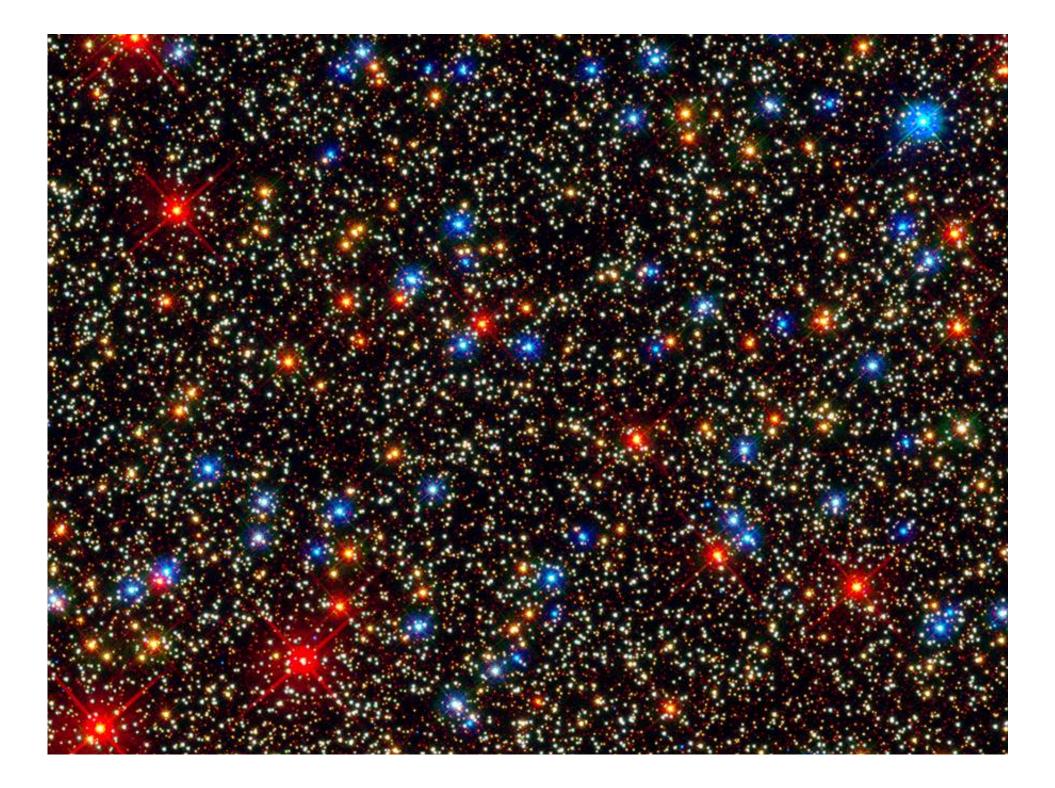
1610 observation trumps ancient wisdom

1584

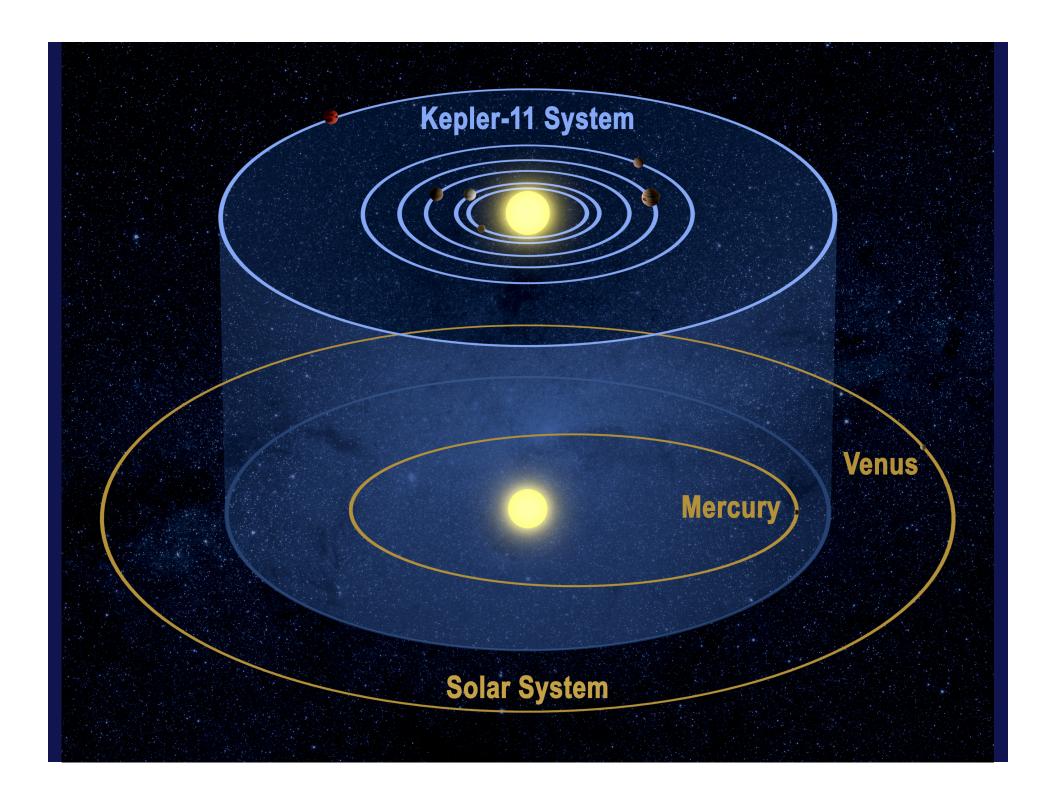
"There are countless suns and countless earths all rotating around their suns in exactly the same way as the seven planets of our system . . . The countless worlds in the universe are no worse and no less inhabited than our Earth"

> Giordano Bruno in De L'infinito Universo E Mondi

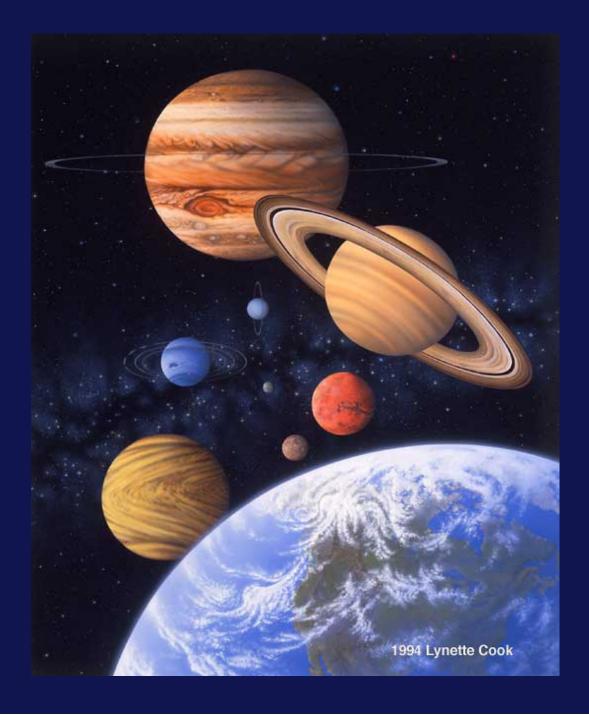


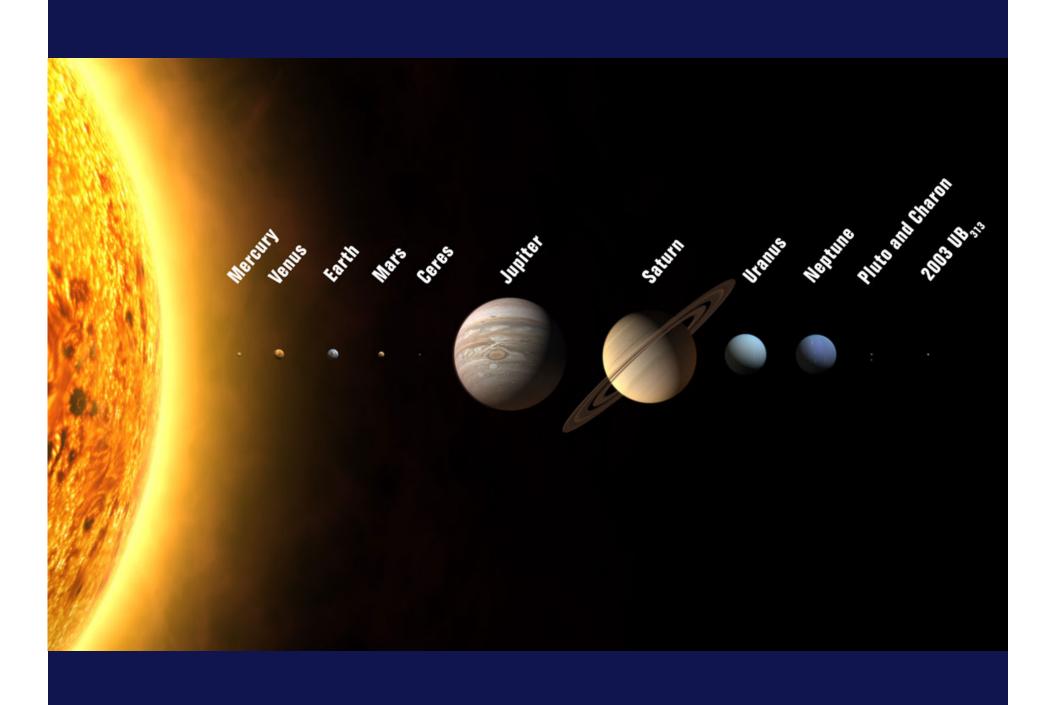


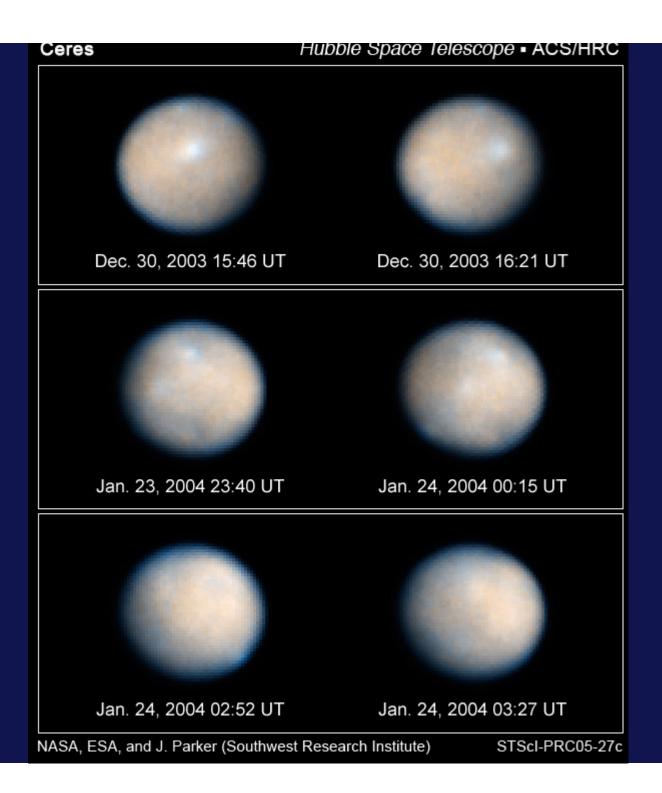




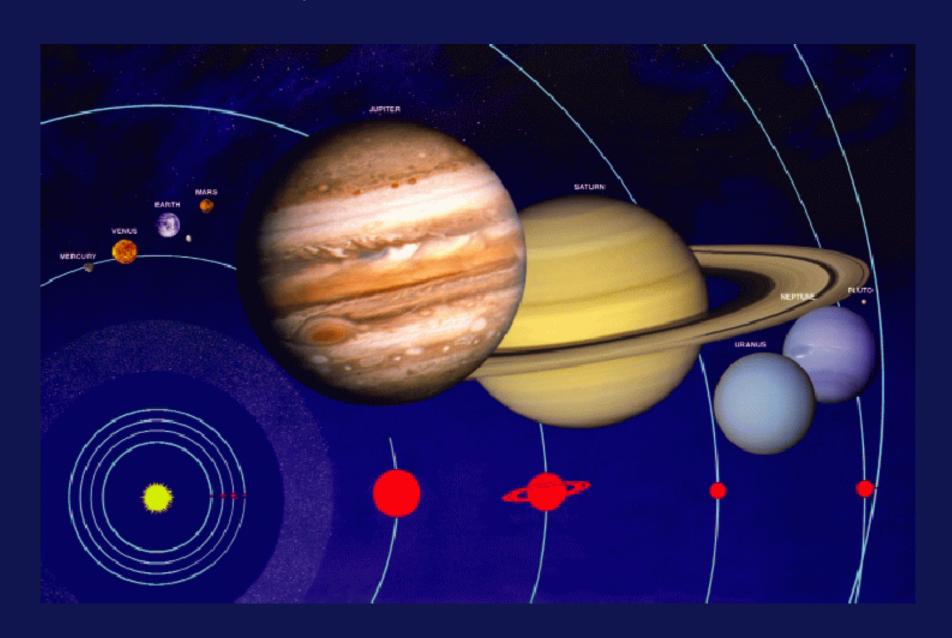


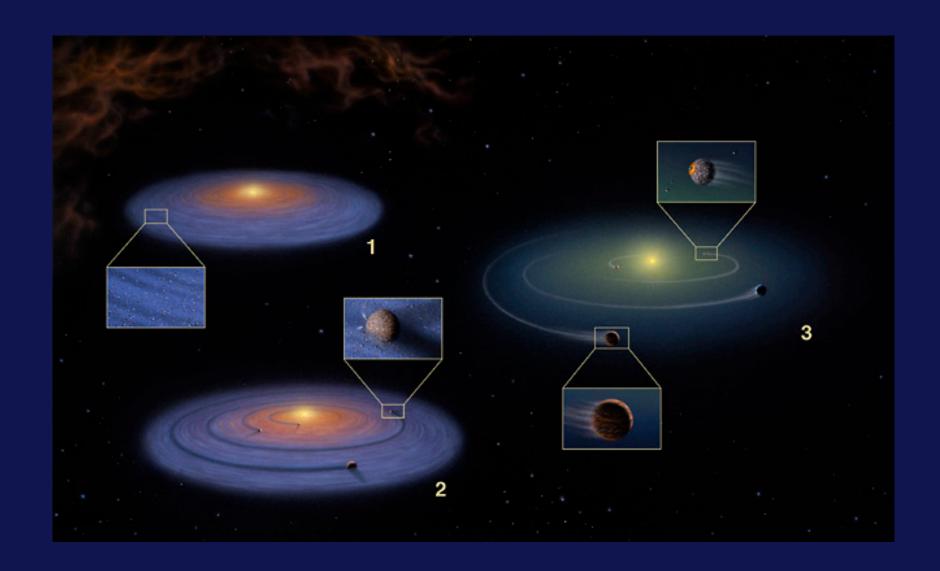






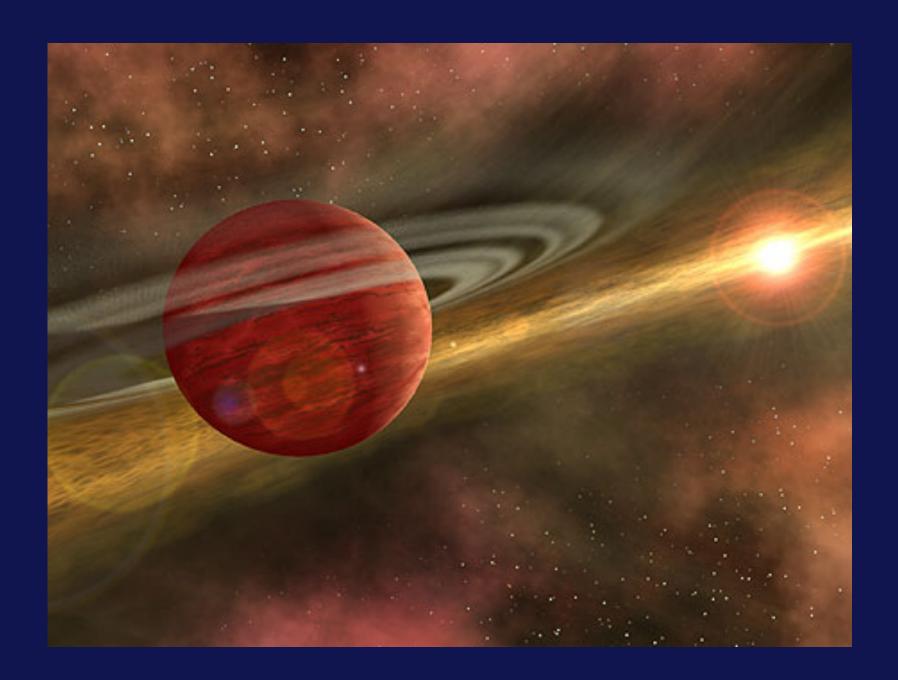
Solar System Architecture

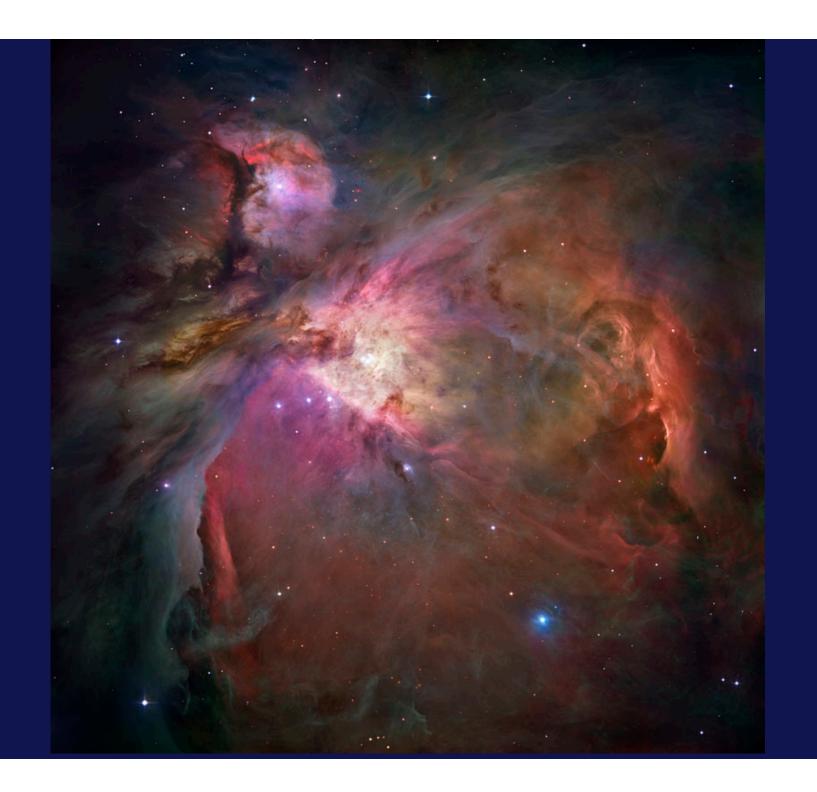


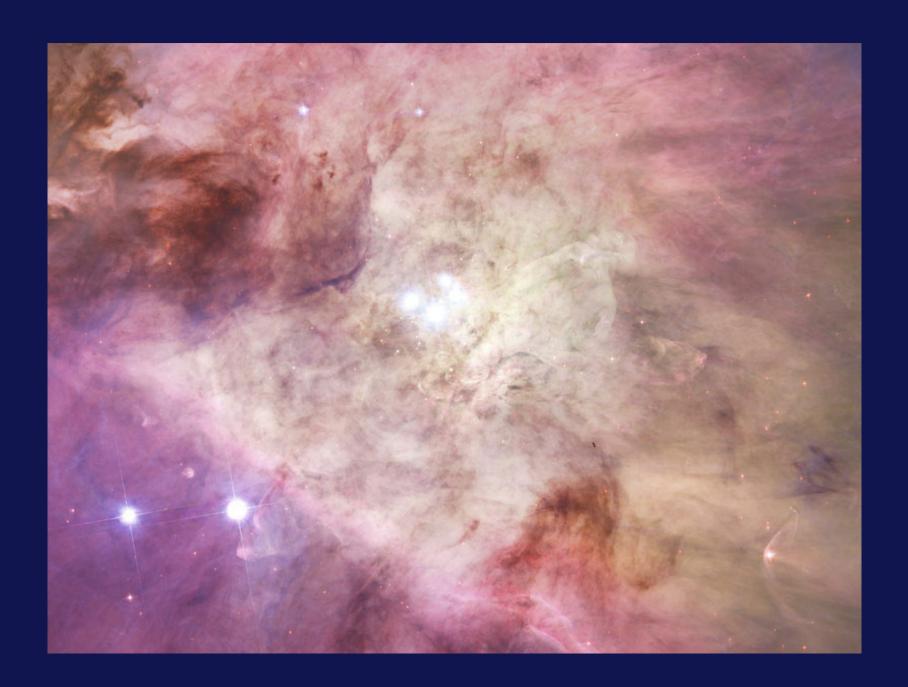


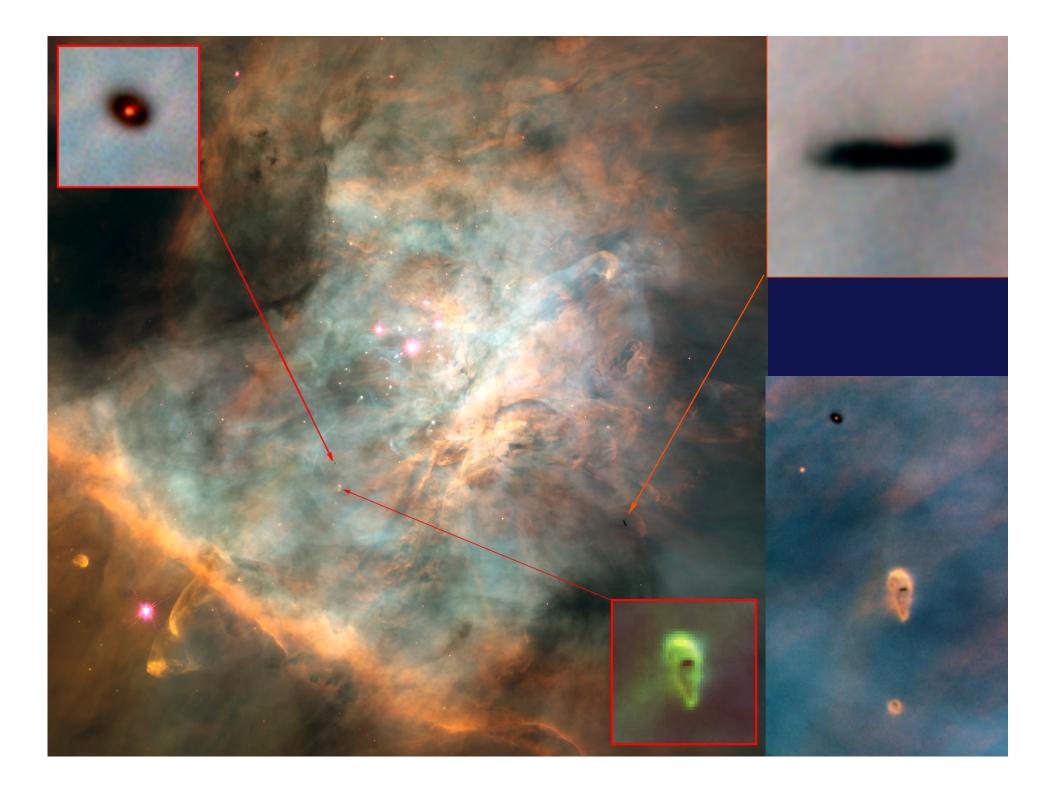


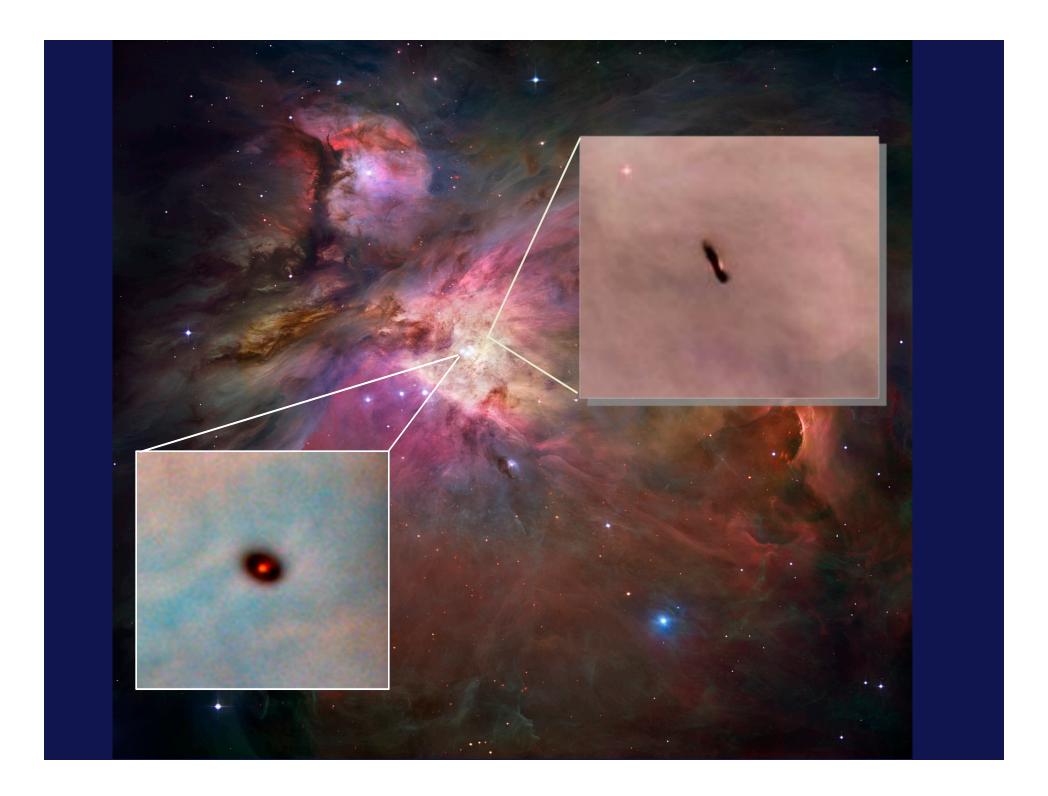


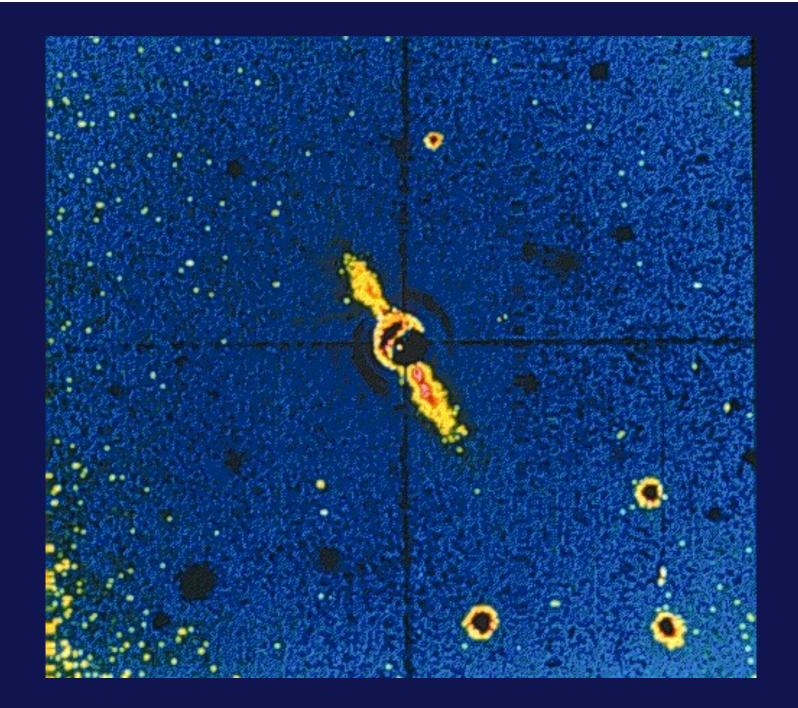




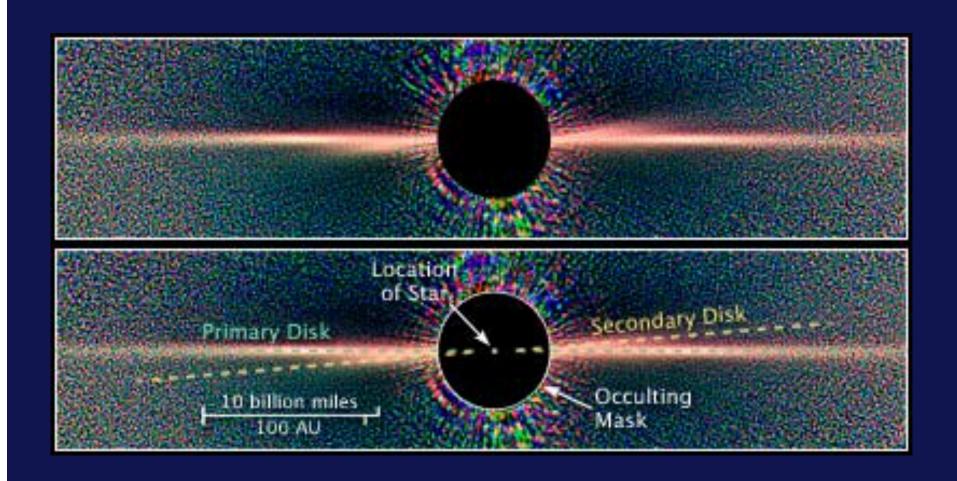


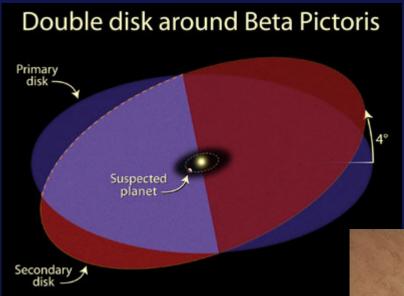


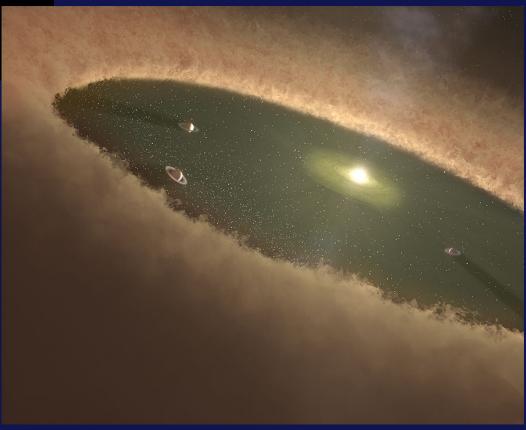


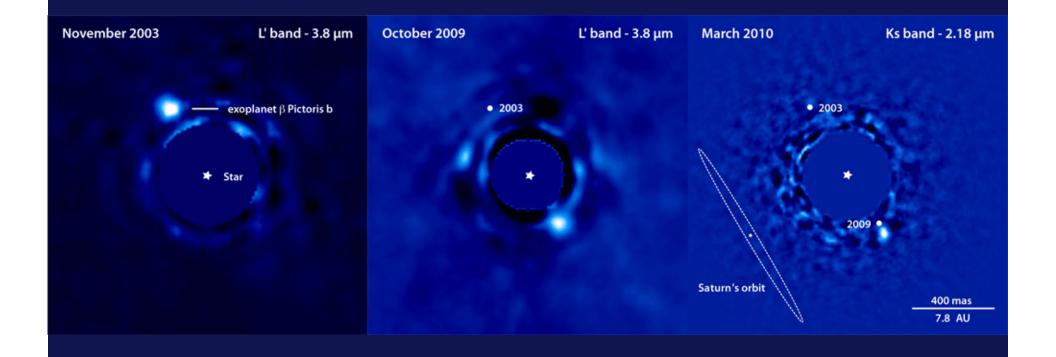


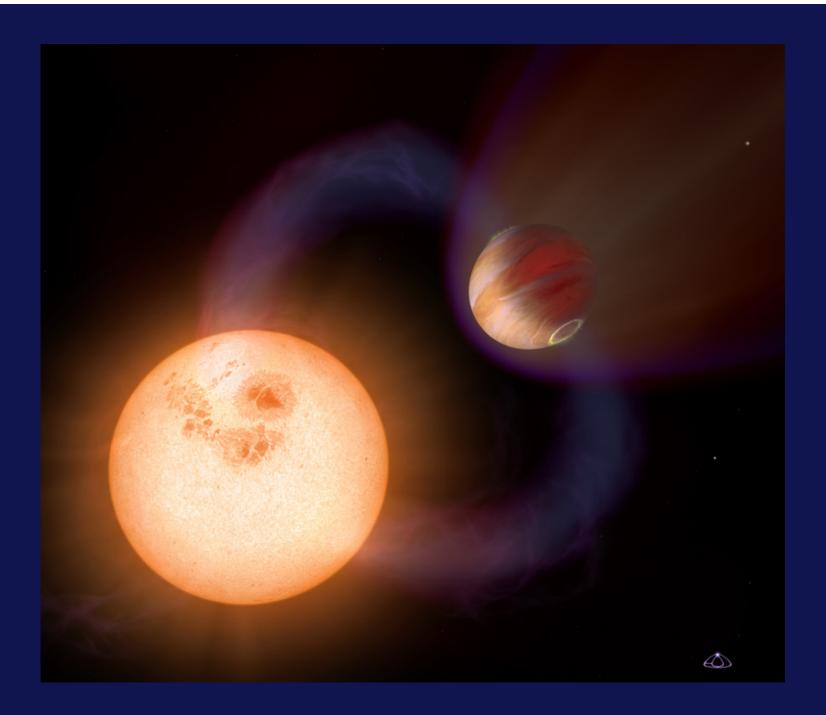




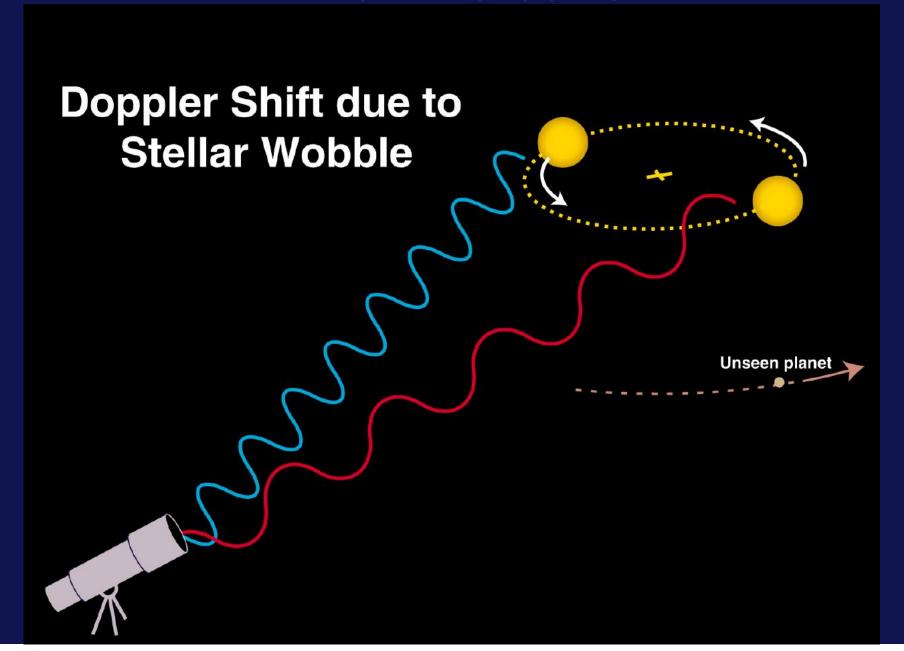


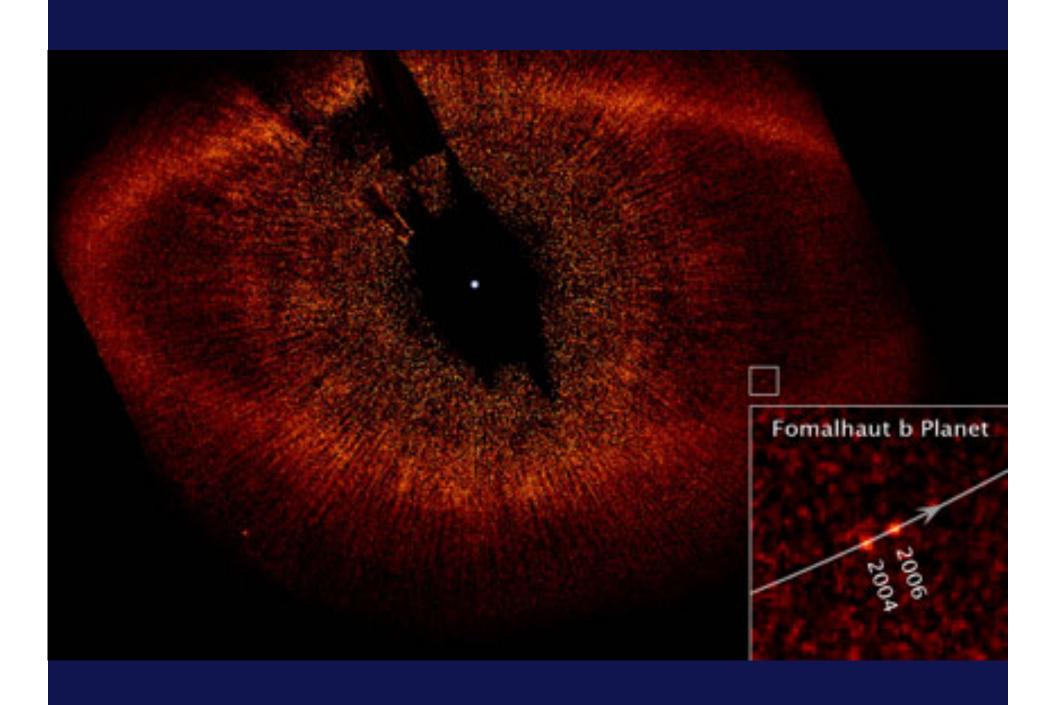






Planet Detection



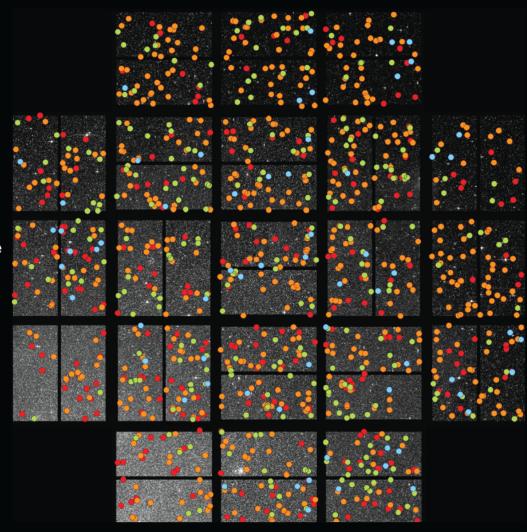




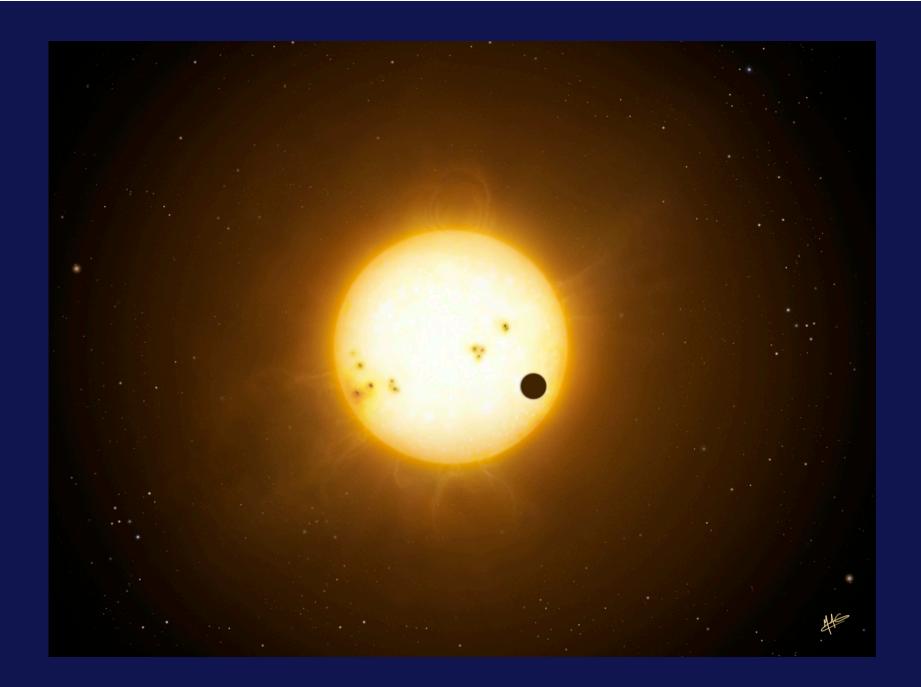
Locations of Kepler Planet Candidates



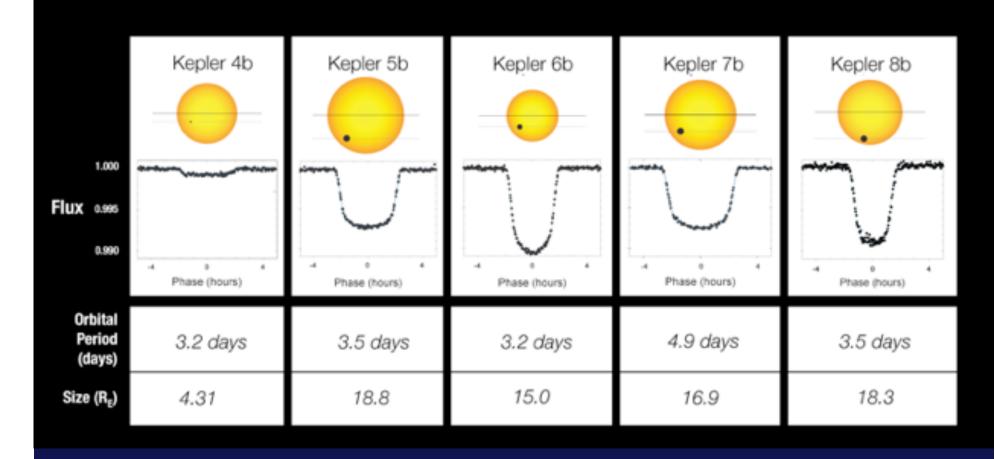
- Super-Earth size 1.25 - 2.0 Earth-size
- Neptune-size2.0 6.0 Earth-size
- Giant-planet size6.0 22 Earth-size







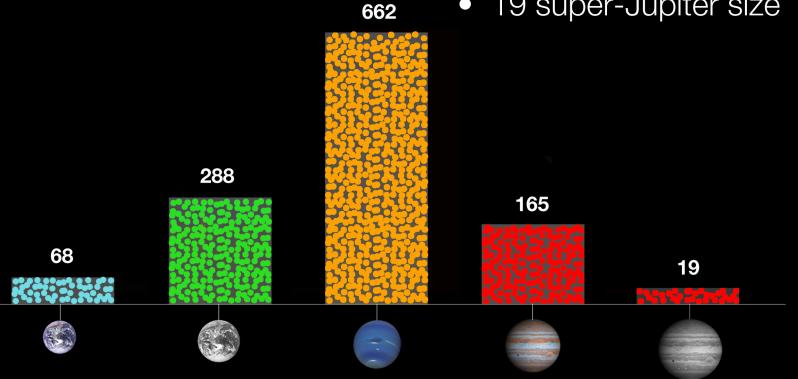
Transit Light Curves



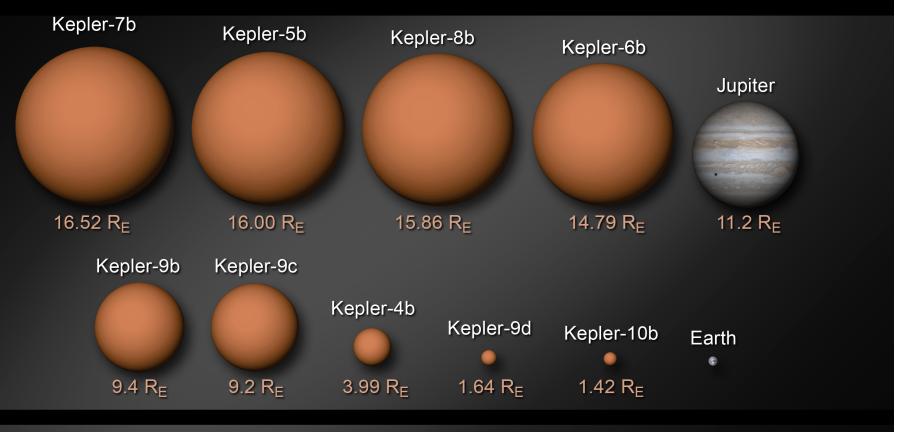


Numbers of Planet Candidates

- 68 Earth-size
- 288 super-Earth size
- 662 Neptune size
- 165 Jupiter size
- 19 super-Jupiter size

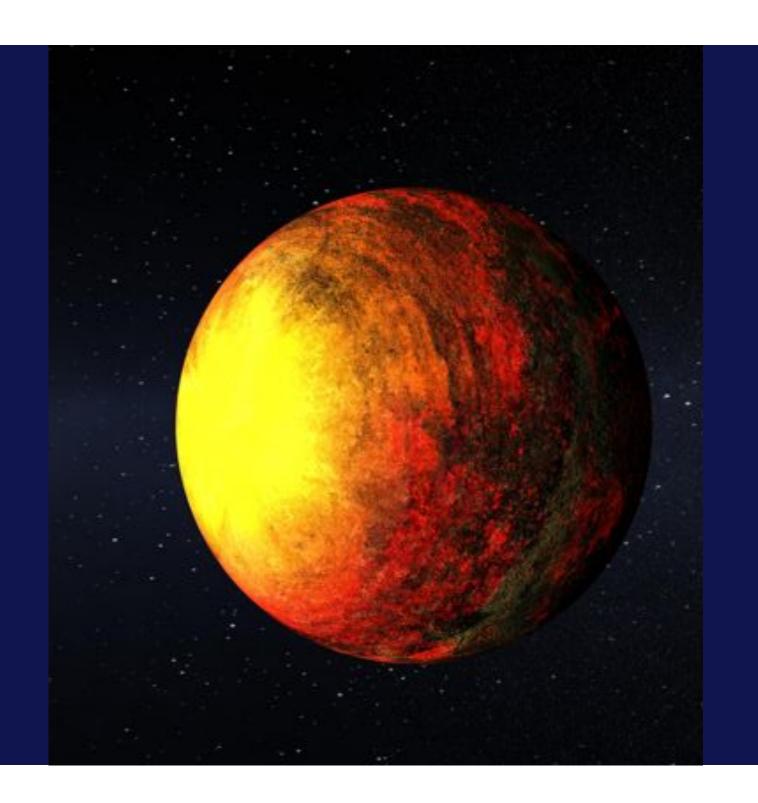


Planet Sizes



Kepler-11b Kepler-11c Kepler-11d Kepler-11e Kepler-11f Kepler-11g

1.97 R_E 3.15 R_E 3.43 R_E 4.52 R_E 2.61 R_E 3.66 R_E







Home

Nanotechnology

Physics

Space & Earth

Electronics

Ter

Earth Sciences

Astronomy

Environment

Space Exploration

Find more articles on kepler-10 b earthlike

First rocky planet discovered: NASA spots tiny Earth-like planet, too hot for life

January 10, 2011 by Kerry Sheridan



The smallest-ever planet outside our solar system has been spotted by NASA's Kepler spacecraft, seen here in a 2009 artist conception, -- a rocky planet similar in size to the Earth, the US space agency said on Monday.









SEARCH TIME.COM

Health & Science

Main • Ecocentric Blog • Going Green • Environment • Oceans •



Found: An Earthlike Planet, at Last

By MICHAEL D. LEMONICK Wednesday, Sep. 29, 2010

Related

Photos



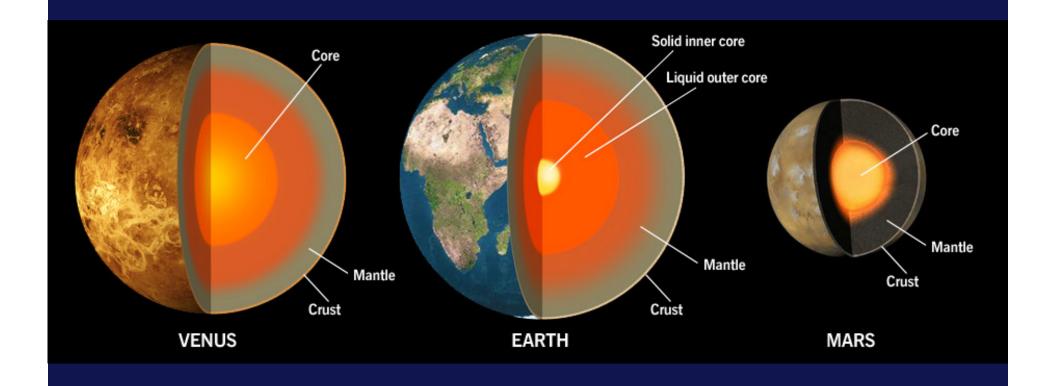
Planet Earth: An Illustrated History

Photos

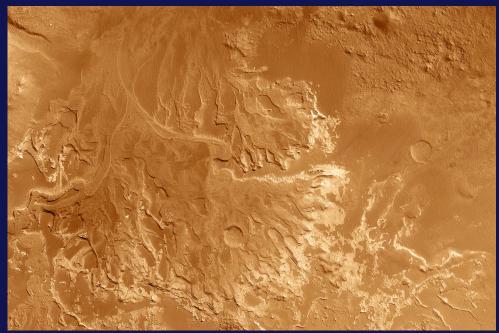




An artist's conception shows the inner four planets of the Gliese 581 system and their host star Lynette Cook

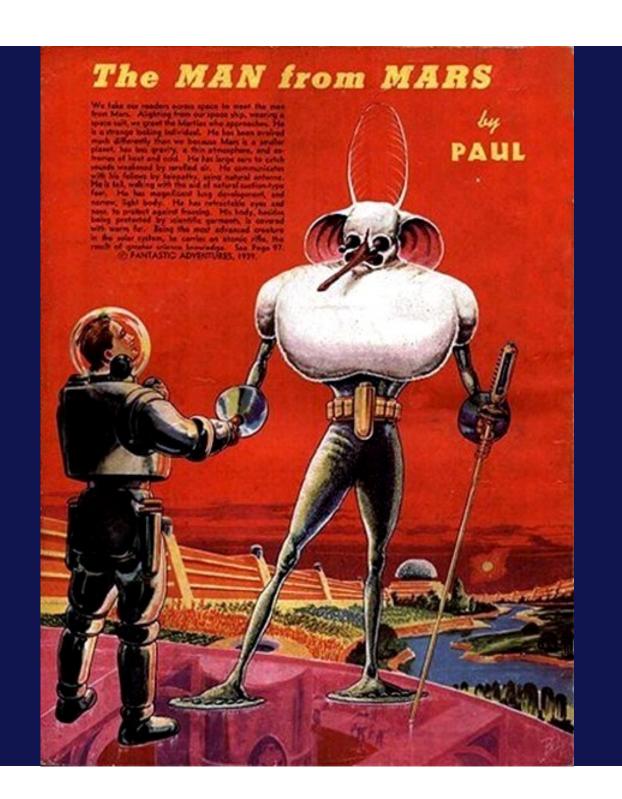


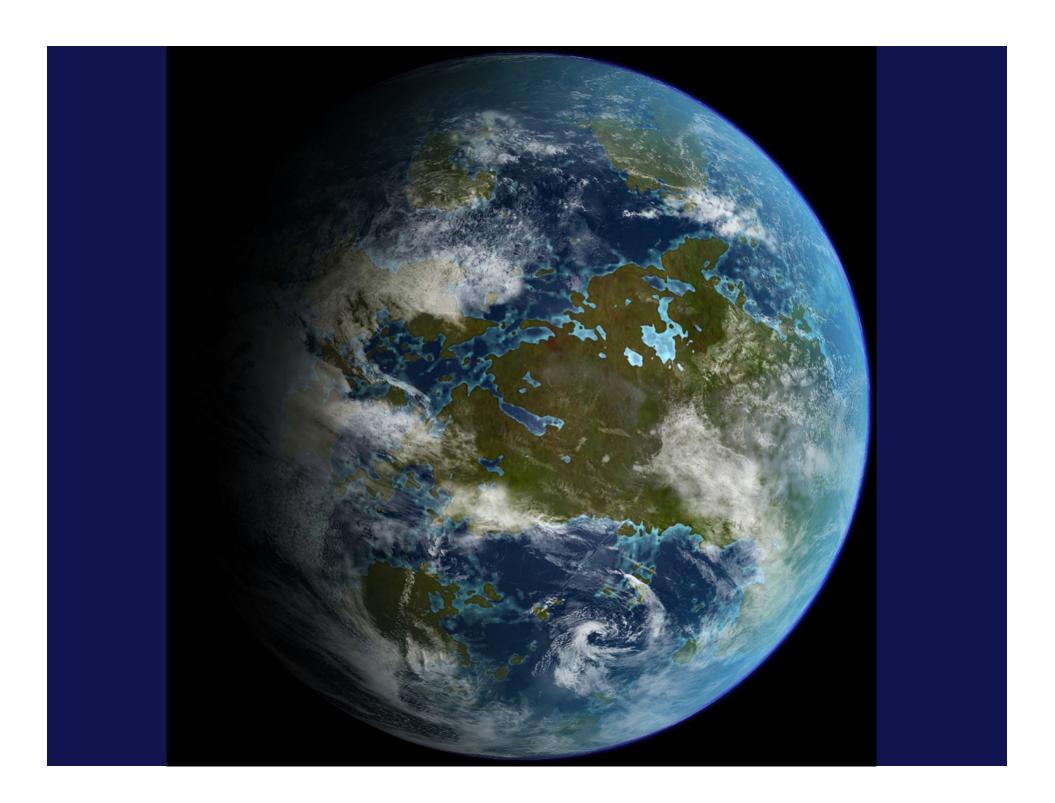




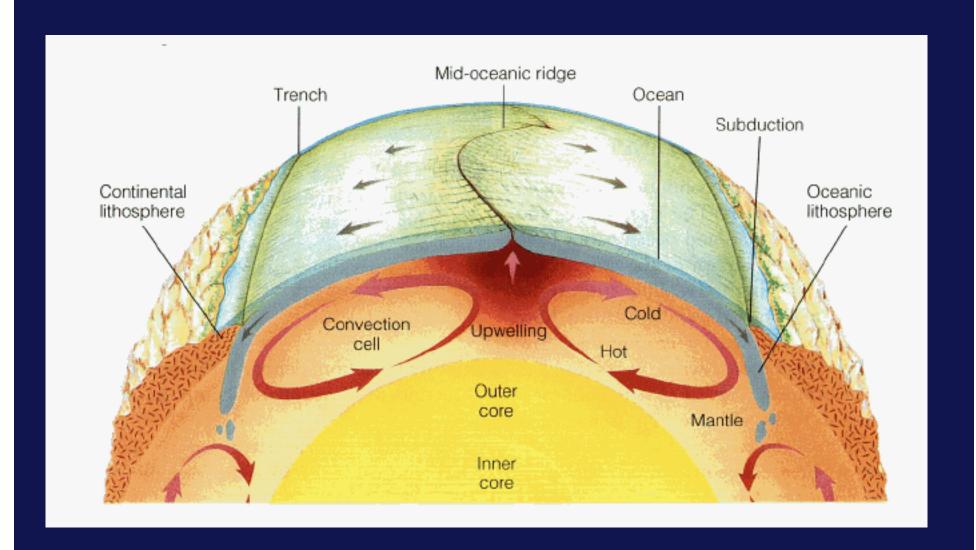
Lena River Basin, Siberia

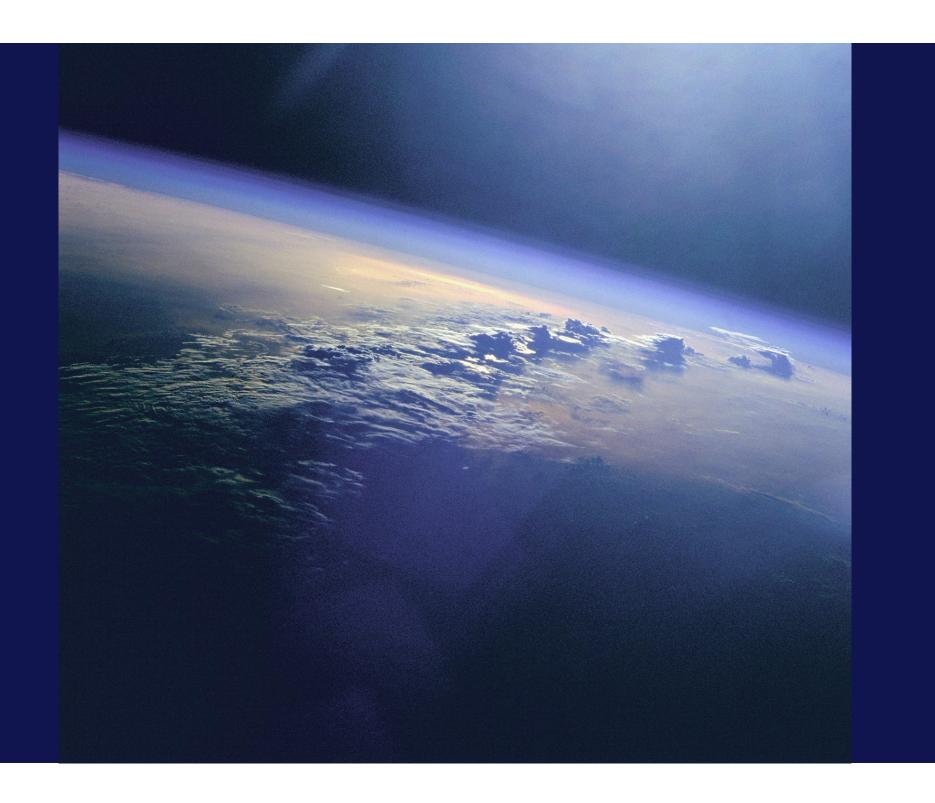


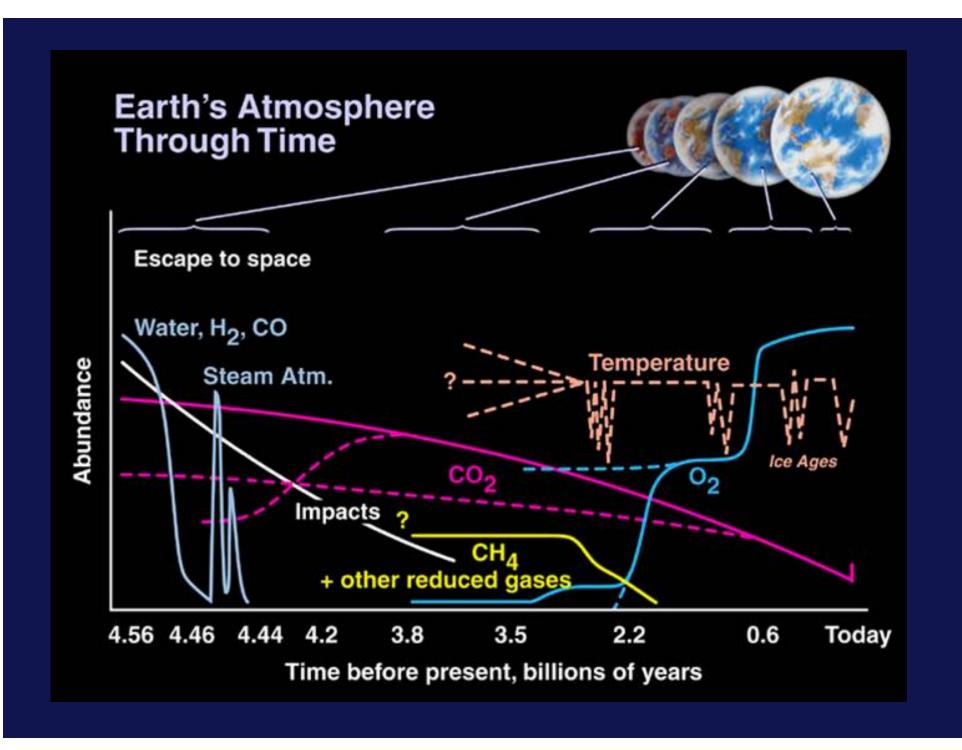






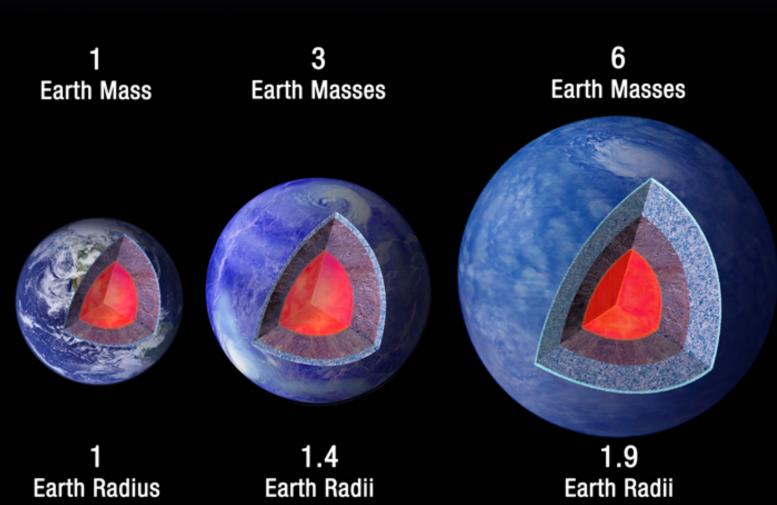


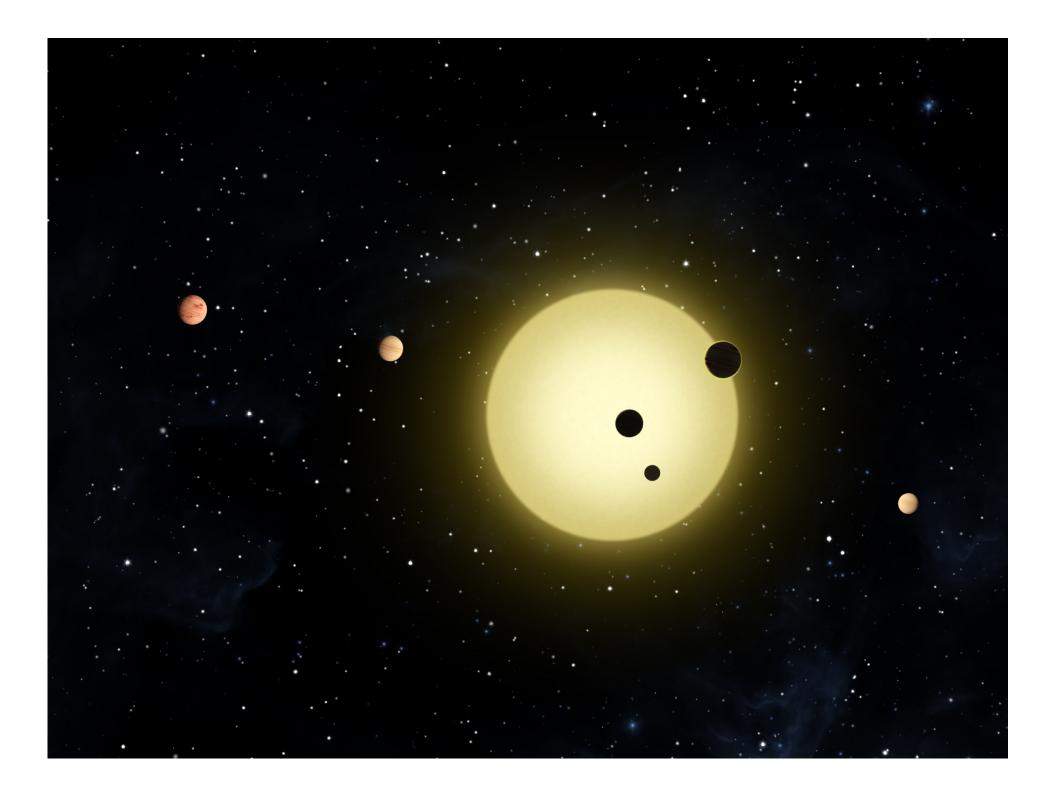




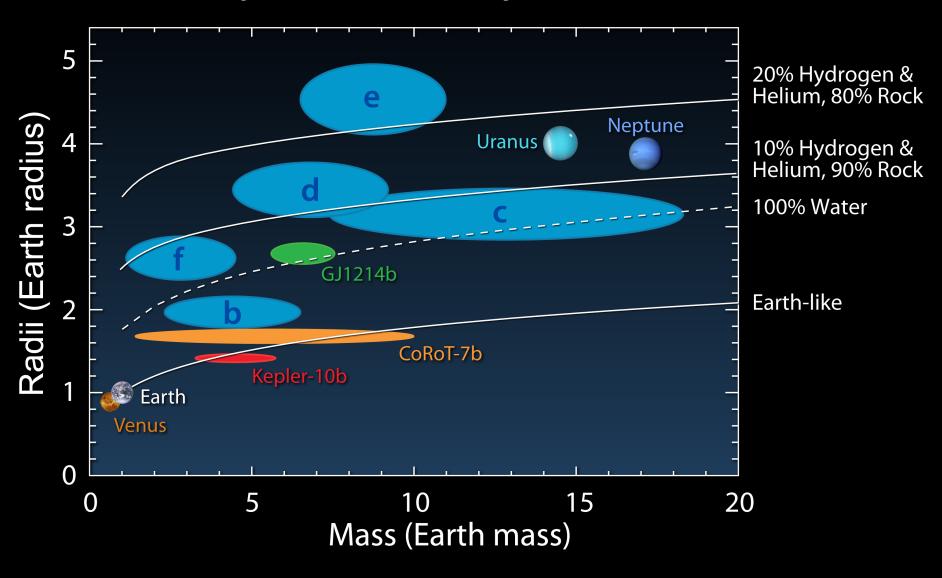
Earth Compared with Two "Super Earths"

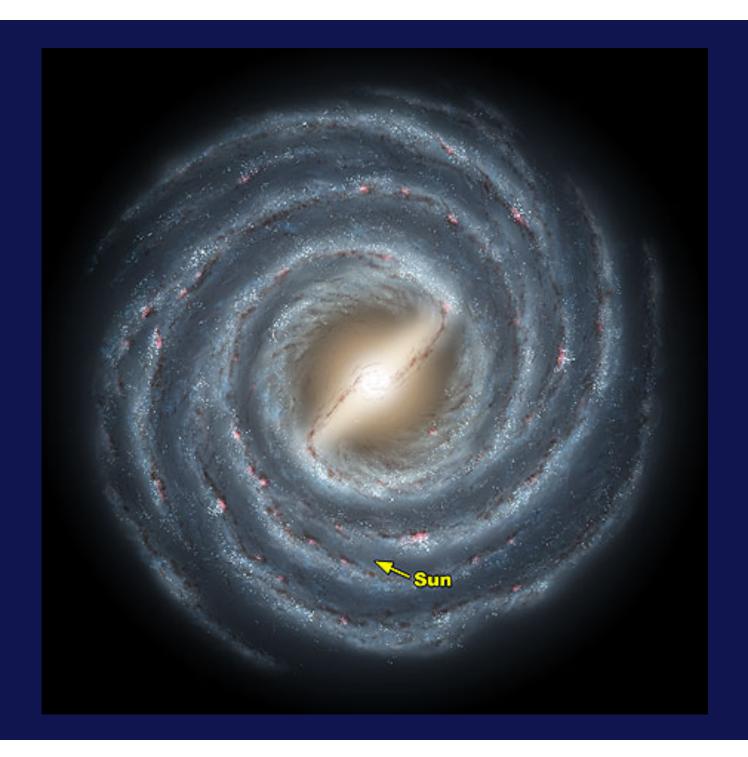






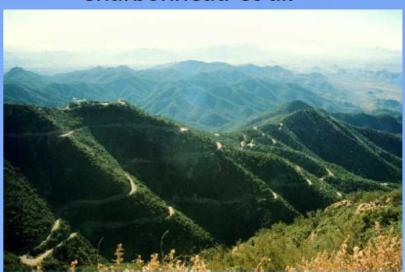
Composition of Kepler-11 Planets





The MEarth Project

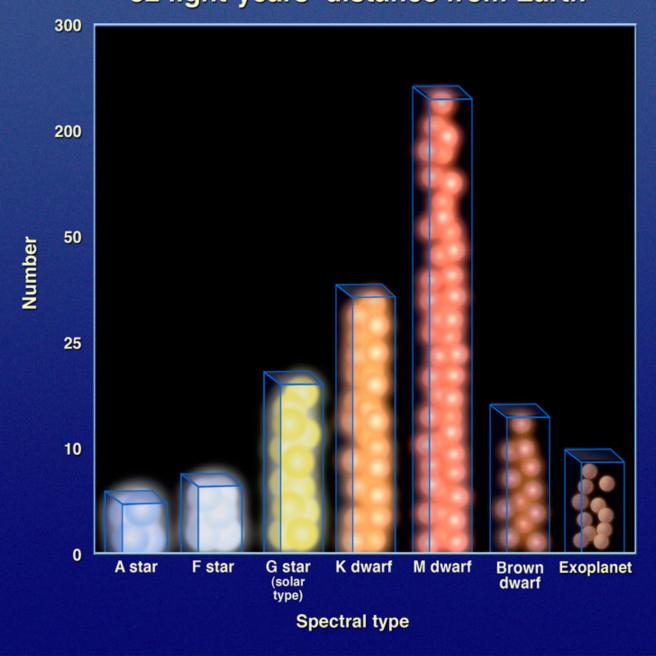
Charbonneau et al.



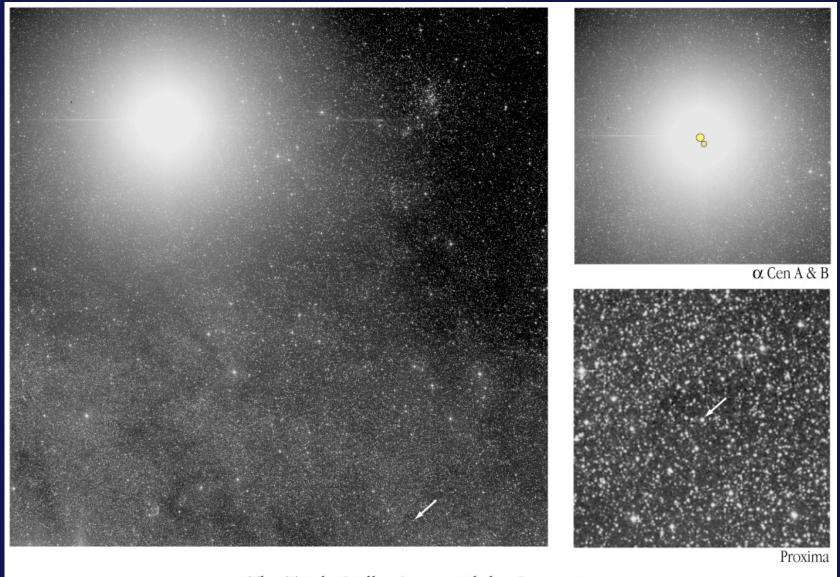
- Using 8 X 16-inch telescopes to survey the 2000 nearest M-dwarfs for rocky planets in their habitable zones
- Converted an existing abandoned building on Mt Hopkins, AZ
- Fully operational; southern version planned
- These planets will be amenable to spectroscopic follow-up to search for atmospheric biomarkers



An inventory of stars within 32 light-years' distance from Earth





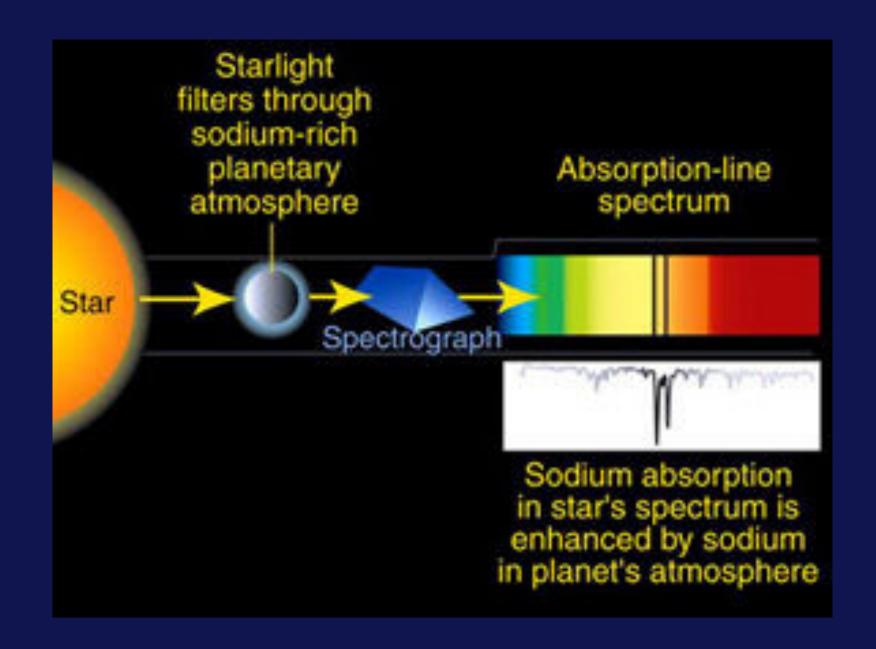


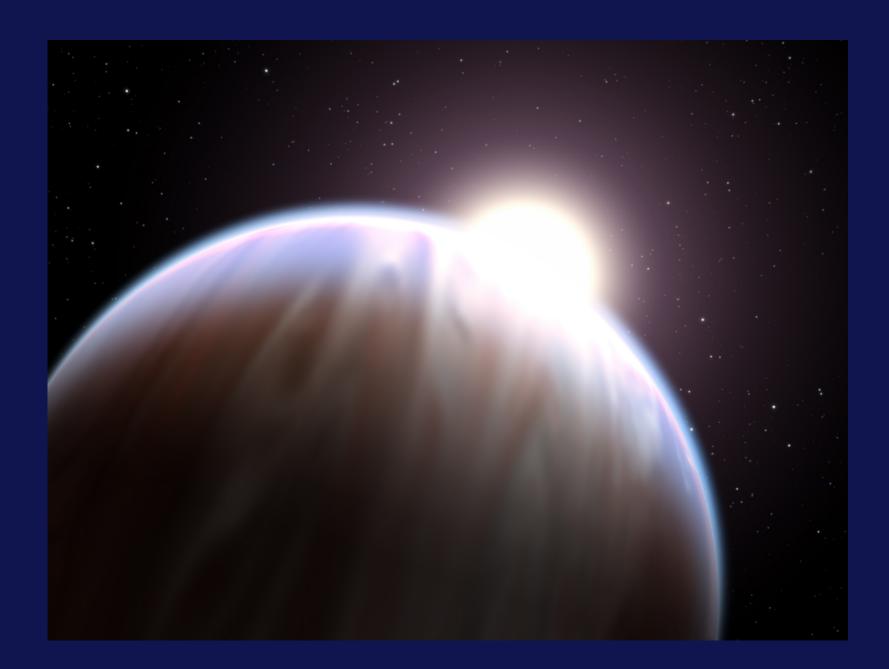
The Triple Stellar System Alpha Centauri (ESO 1-m Schmidt Telescope)

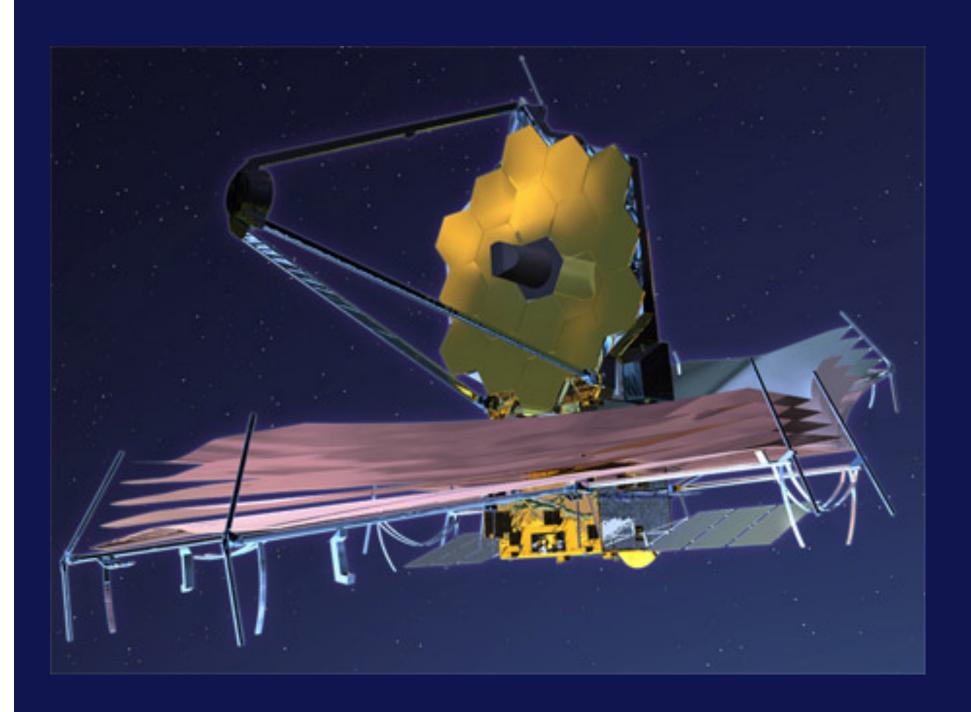
ESO PR Photo 07a/03 (15 March 2003)

© European Southern Observatory









See thermal radiation from planet disappear & reappear

Eclipse

Measure size of transiting planet, see radiation from star transmitted through the planet's atmosphere

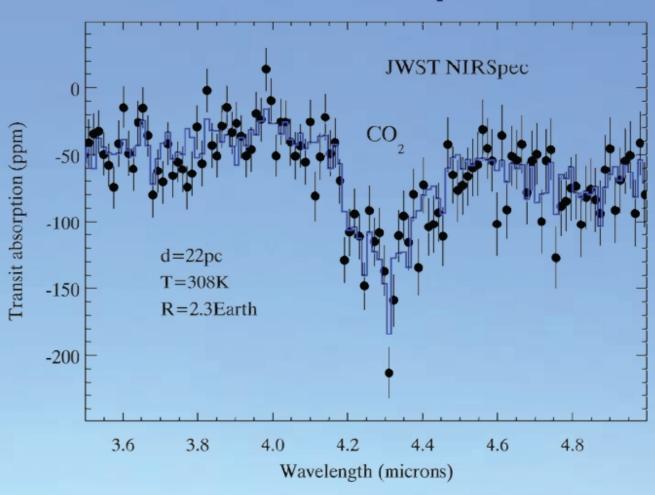
Gravitational tug of unseen planets alters transit times

Transi

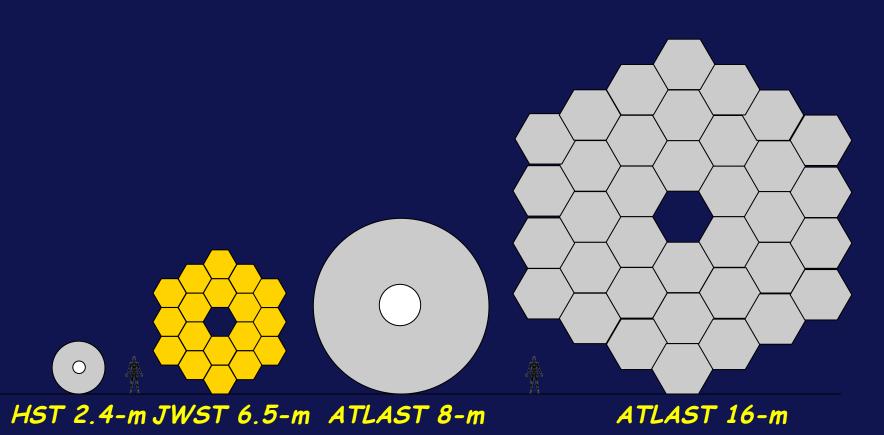
TRA0009



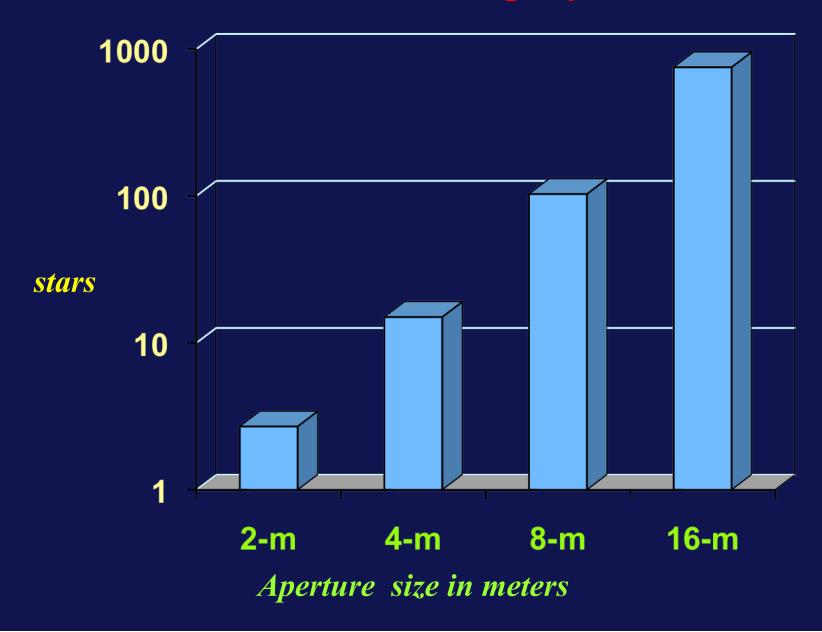
Example of carbon dioxide in a habitable SuperEarth



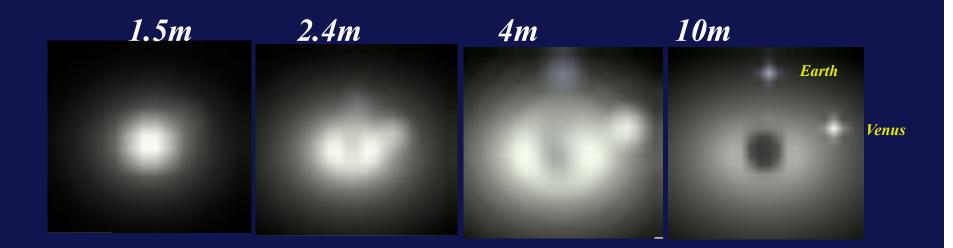
An optical/near-infrared space telescope with a filled aperture of at least 8-meters will probably be required to definitively answer the question "Are we alone?"



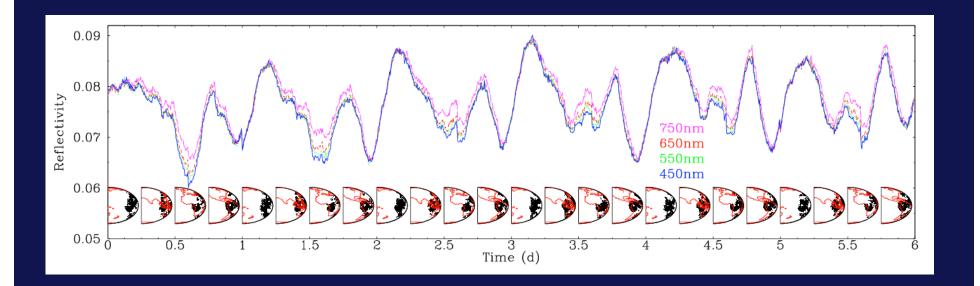
Number of FGK stars in 100 light-year search radius



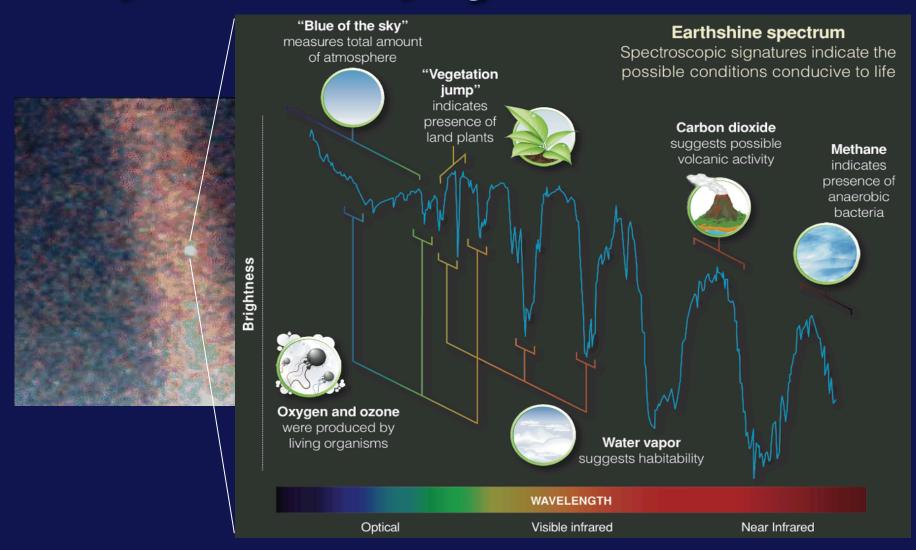
Coronagraph performance vs. telescope aperture

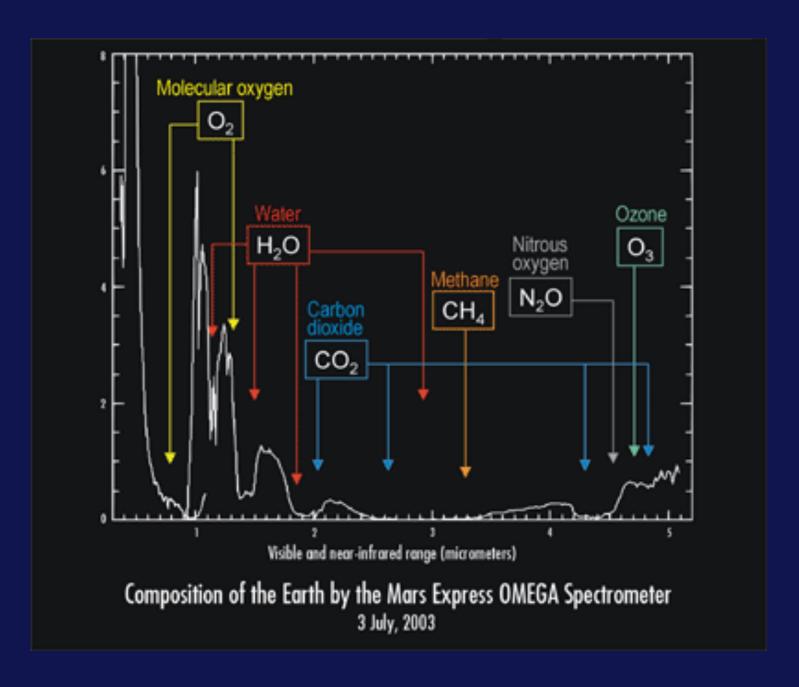


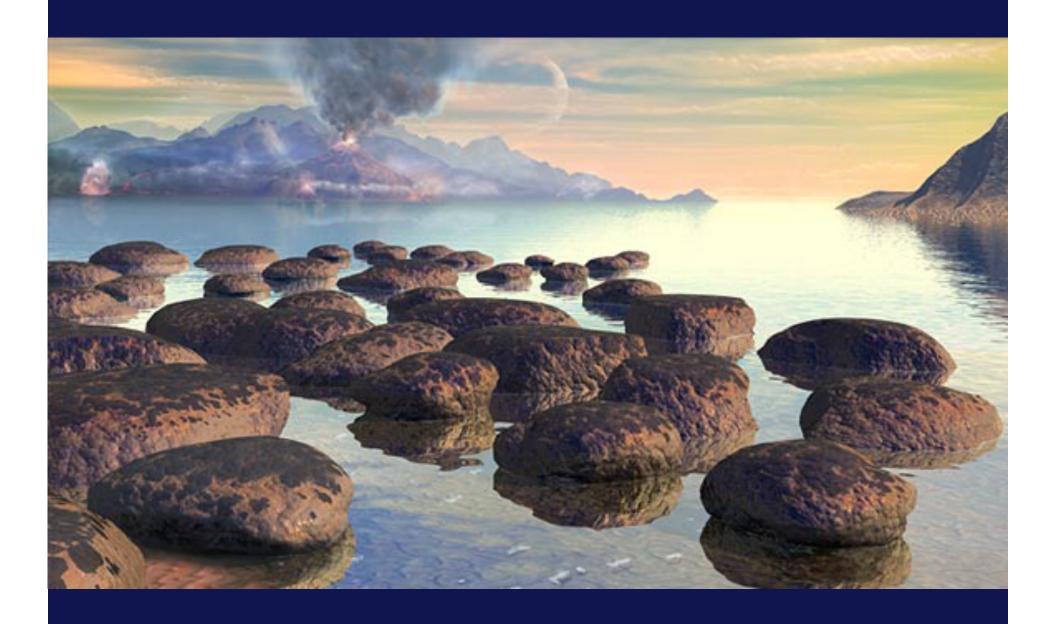




the faint trace of life

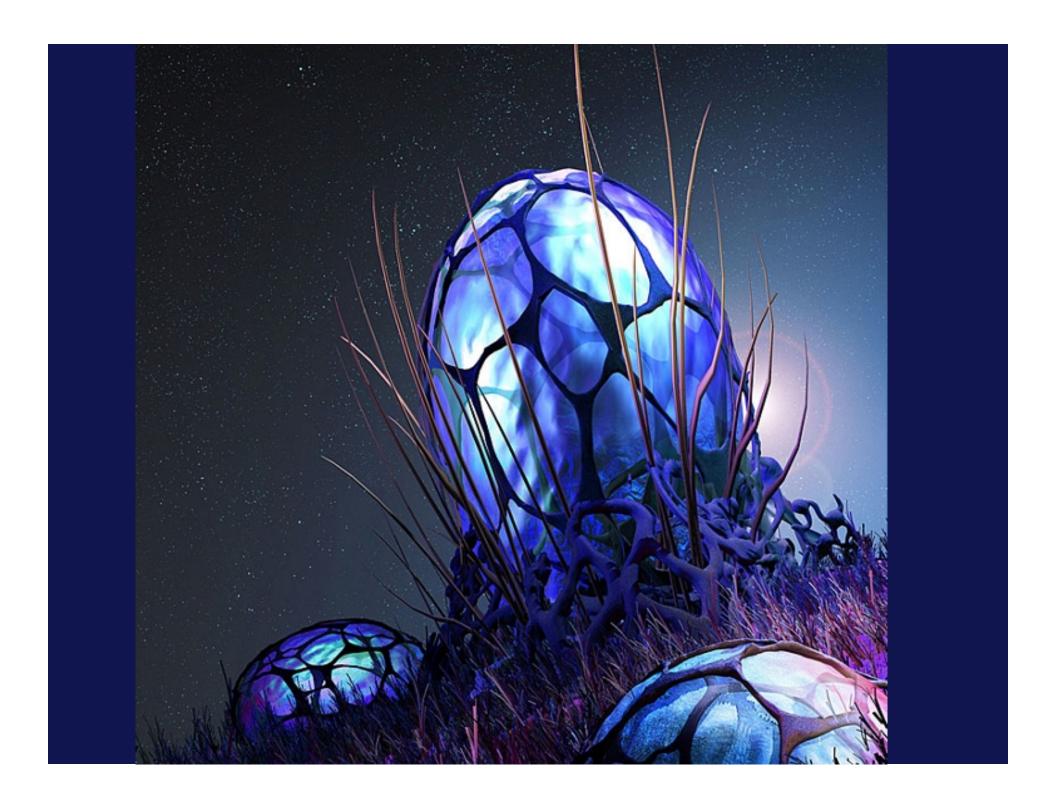


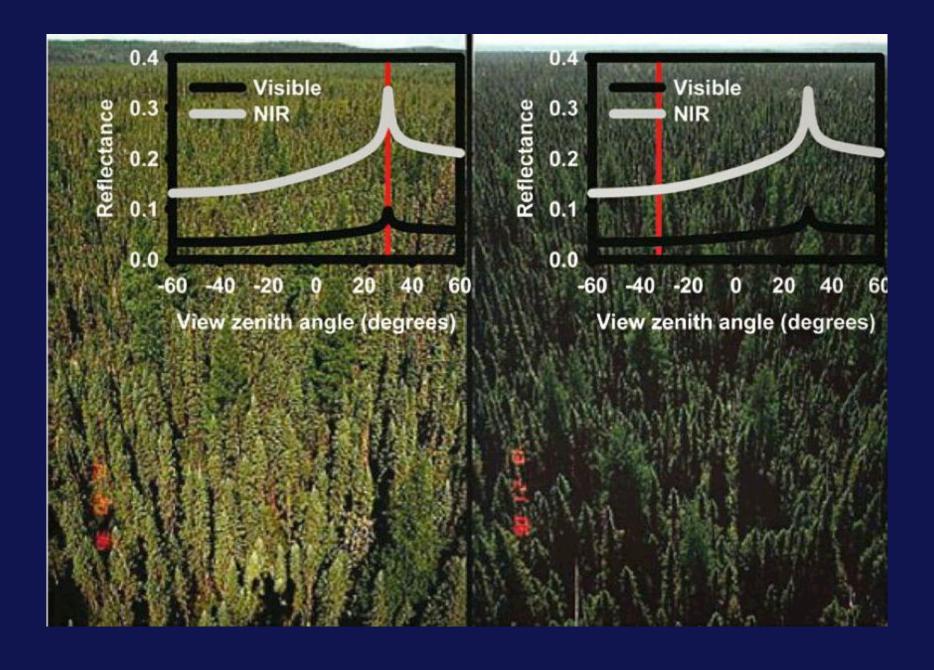


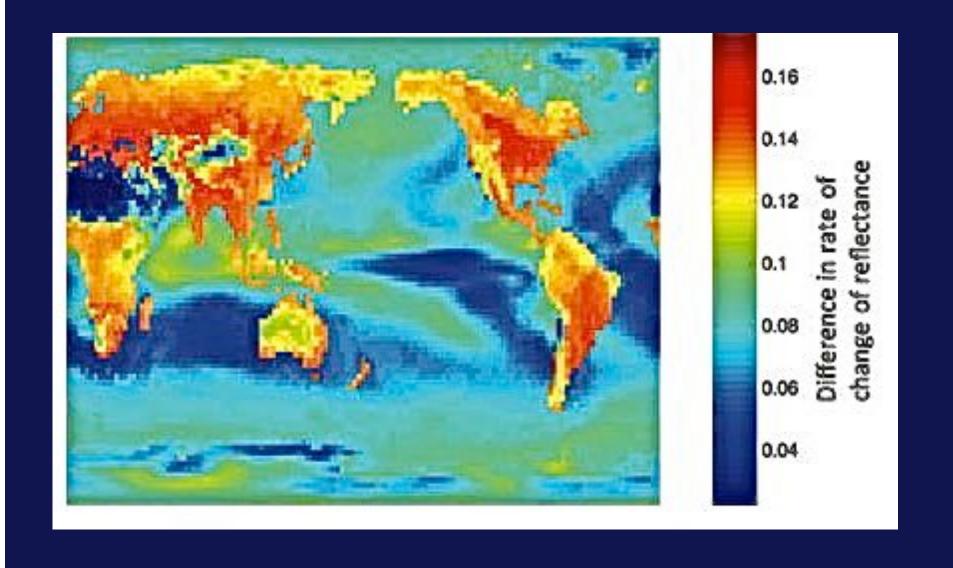


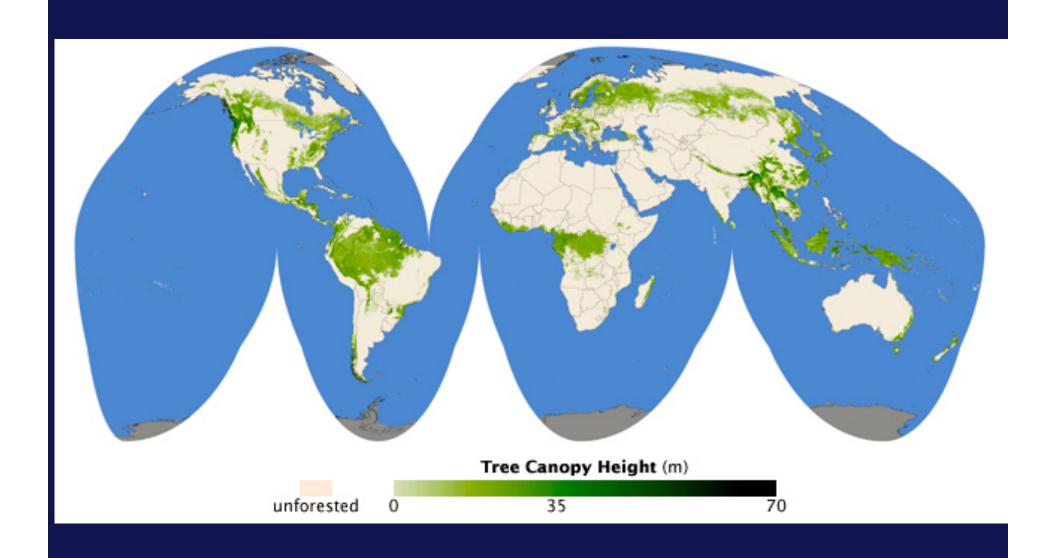


The "red edge" is a well-known signature of chlorophyll, which appears green to us only because our eyes aren't very sensitive at the red end of the visible spectrum.





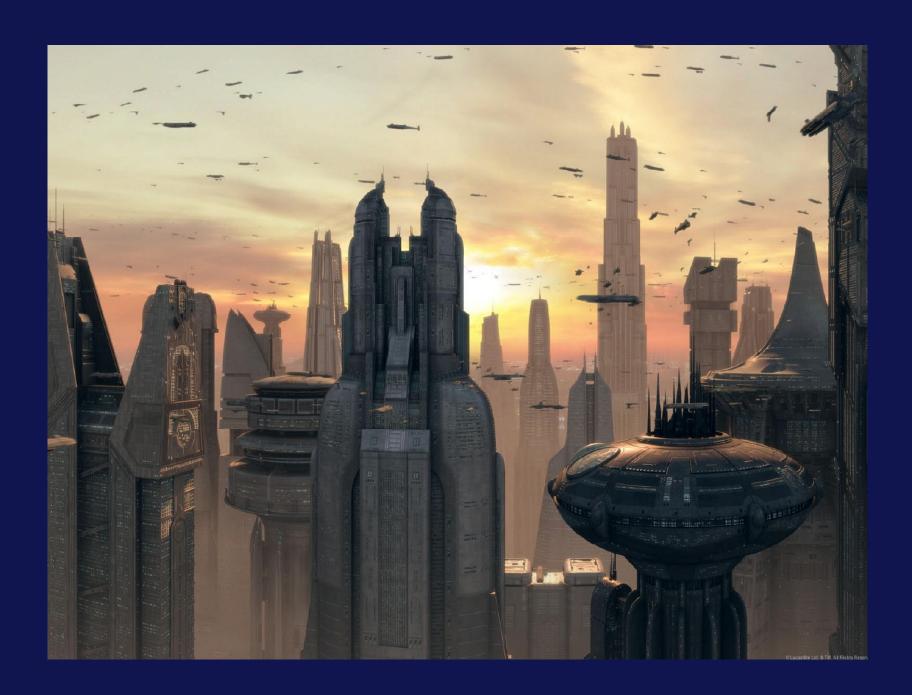


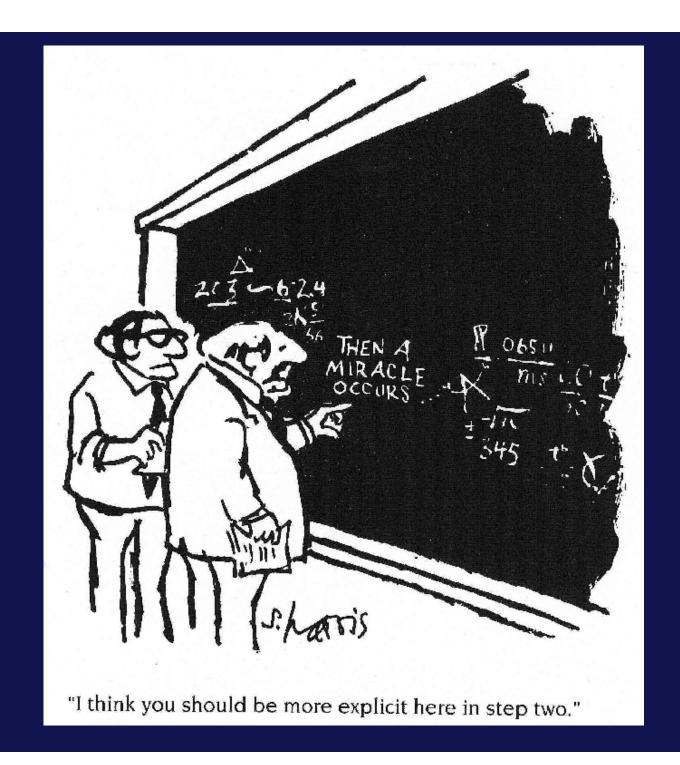




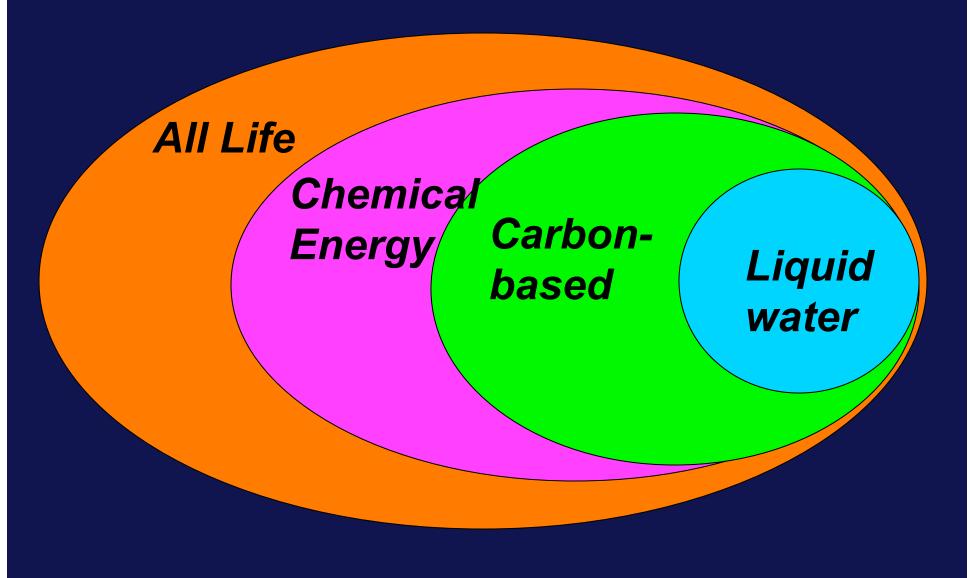






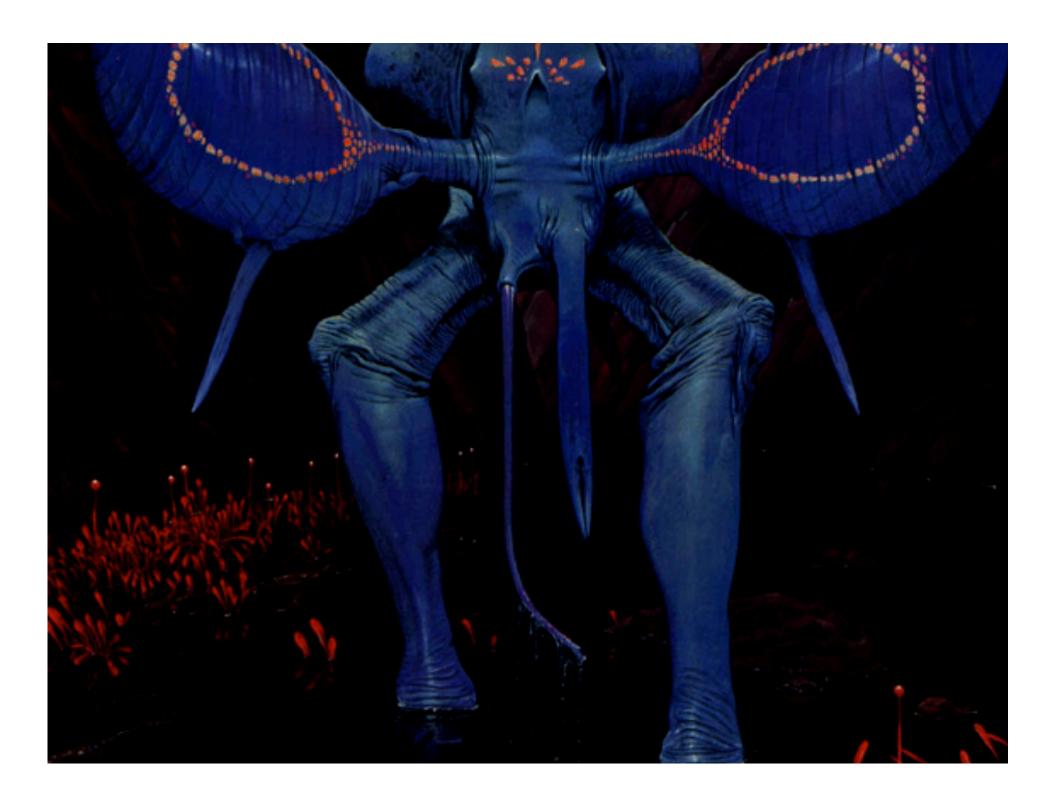


Life in the Universe



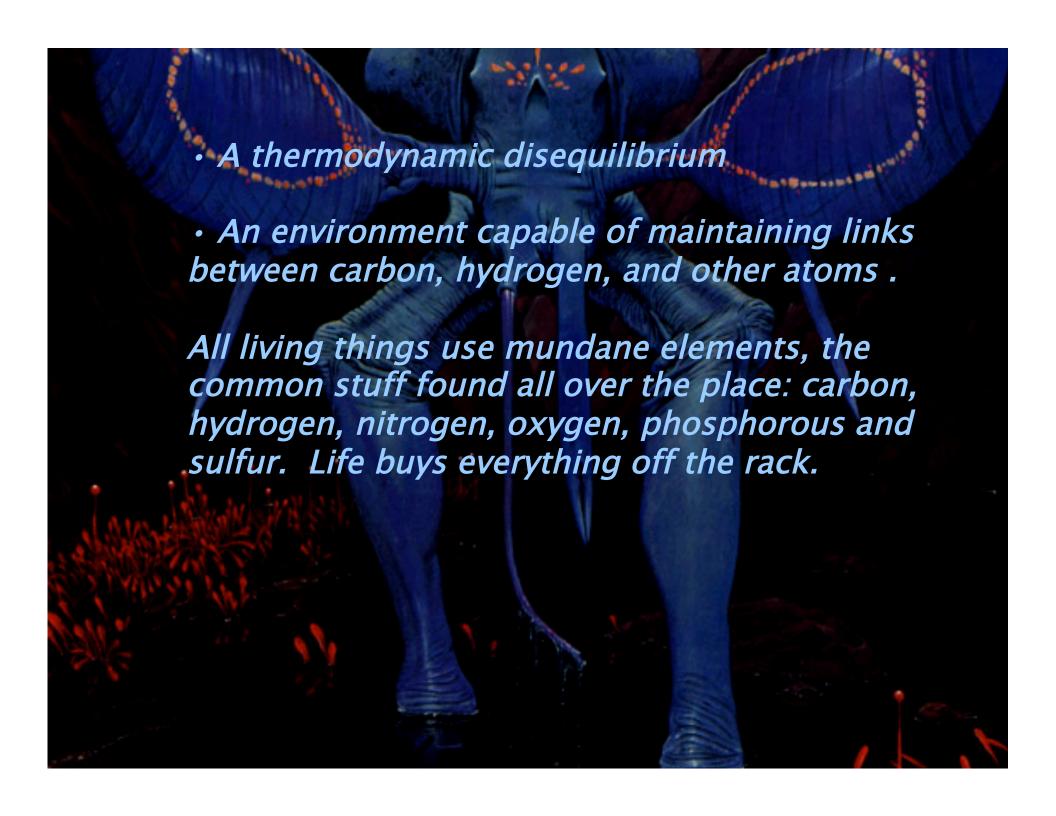


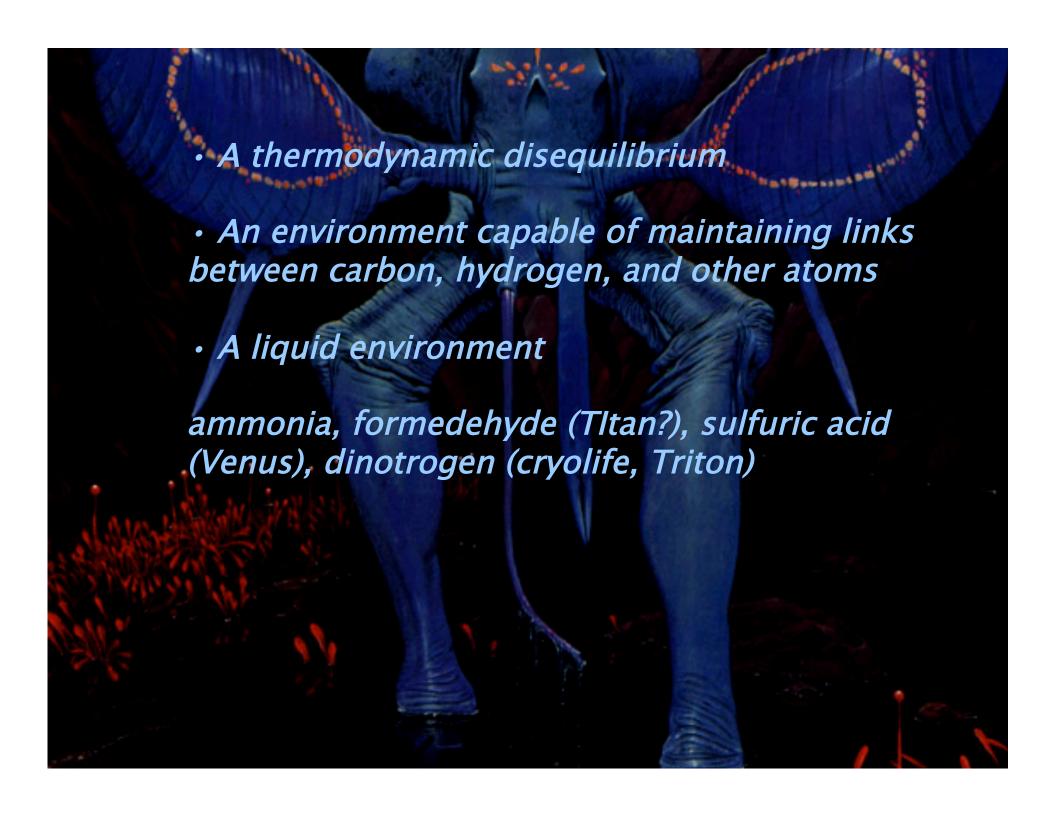


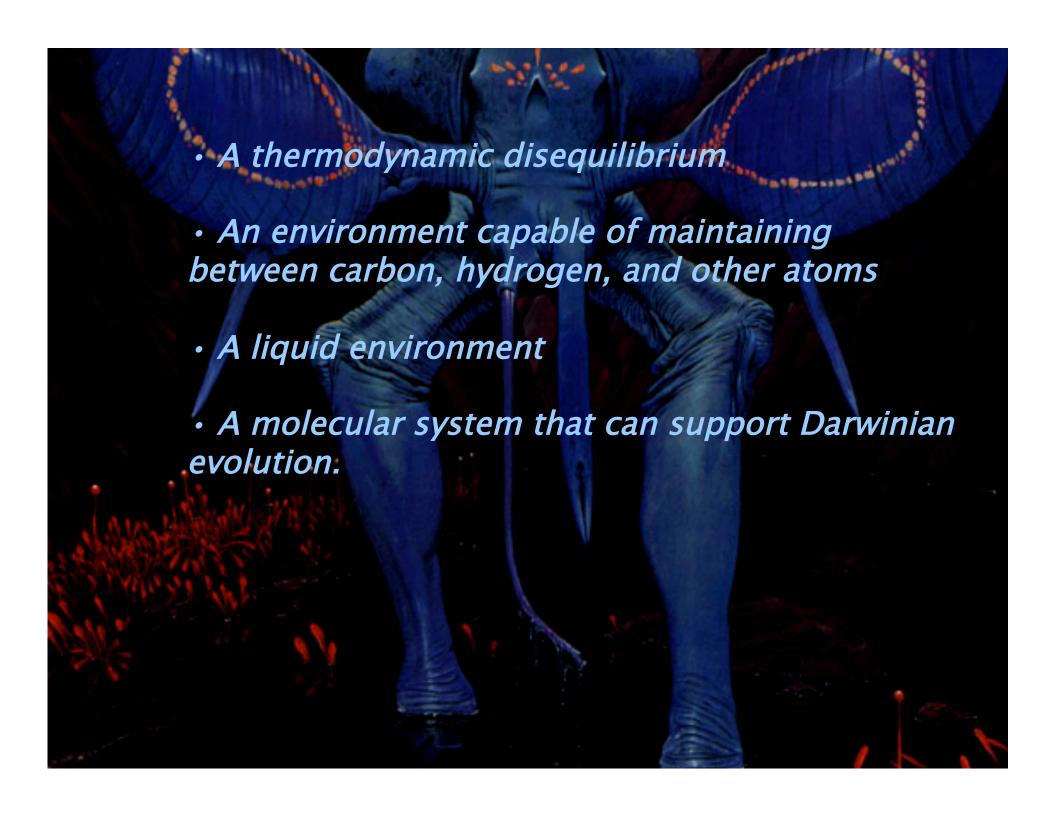


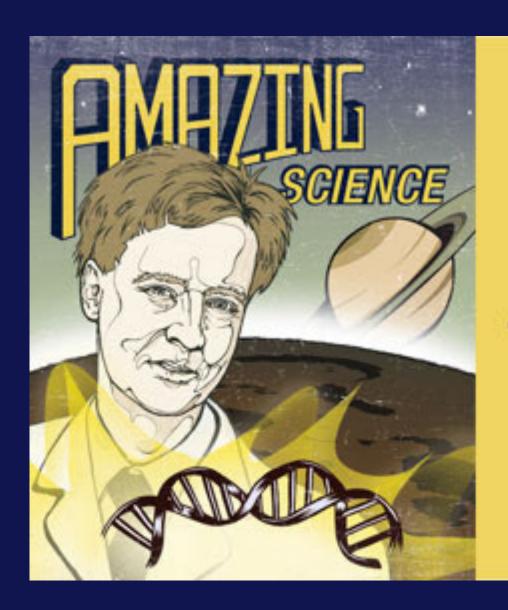








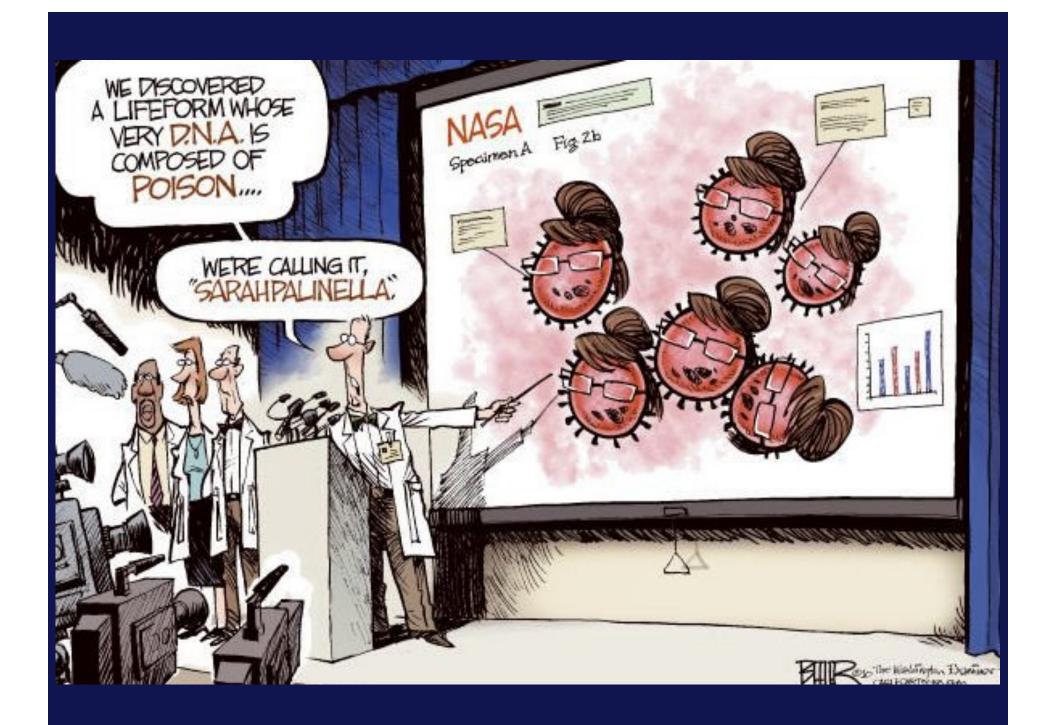


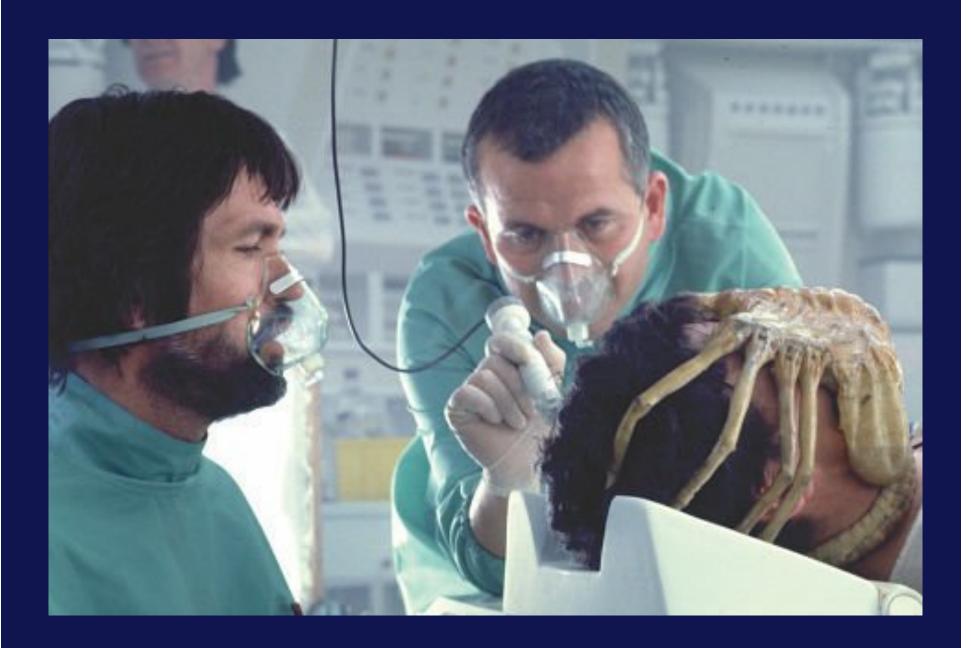


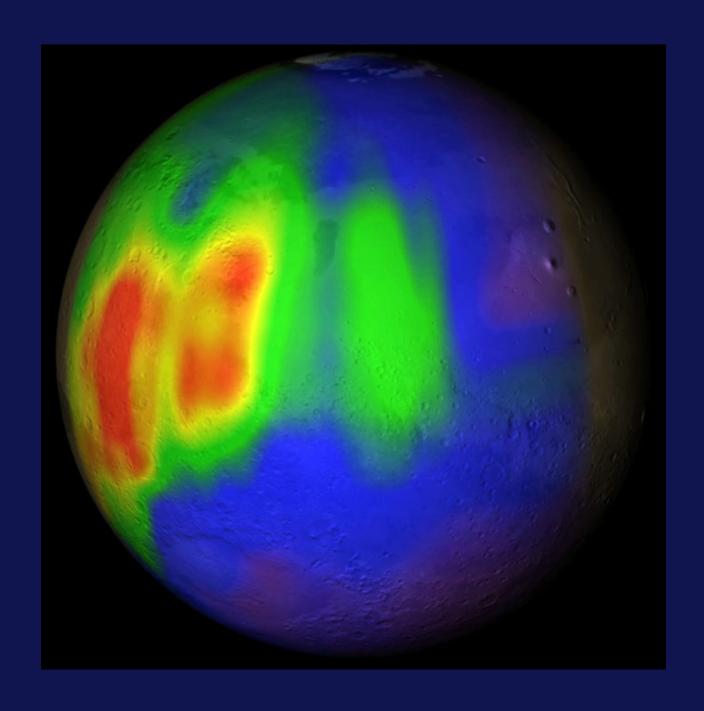
A Formula For Life

The Benner group has worked to identify molecular structures likely to be universal features of living systems regardless of their genesis, and not likely products of non-biological processes



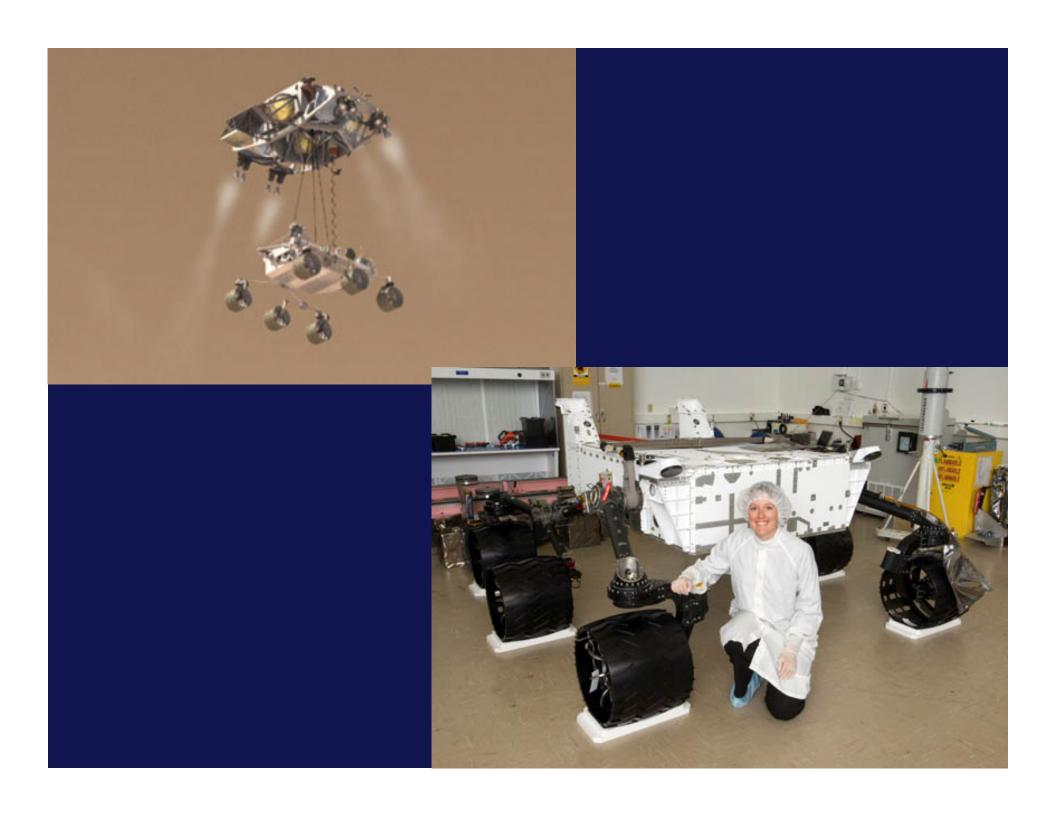


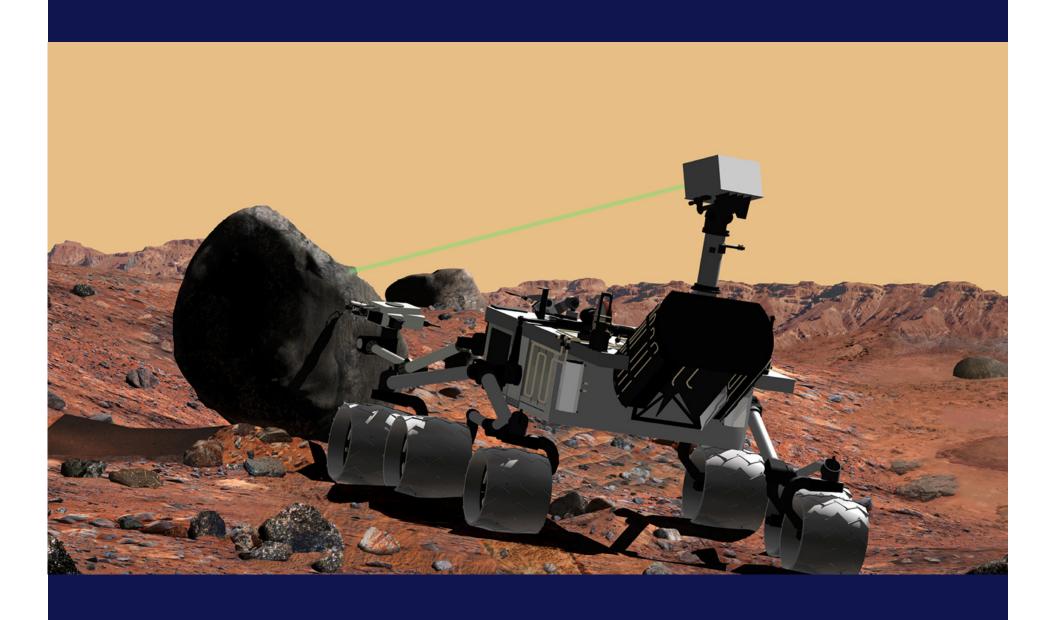




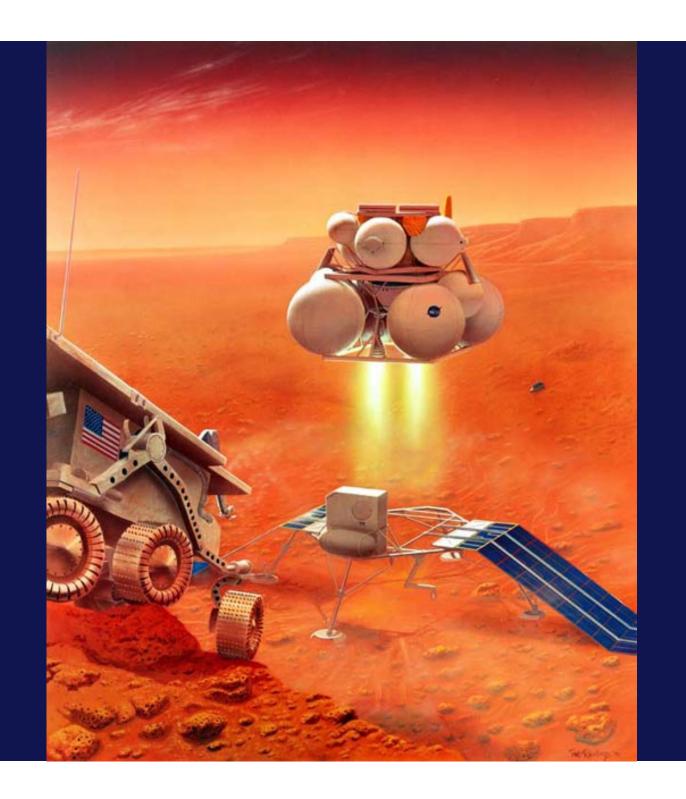
Source of Martian Methane?





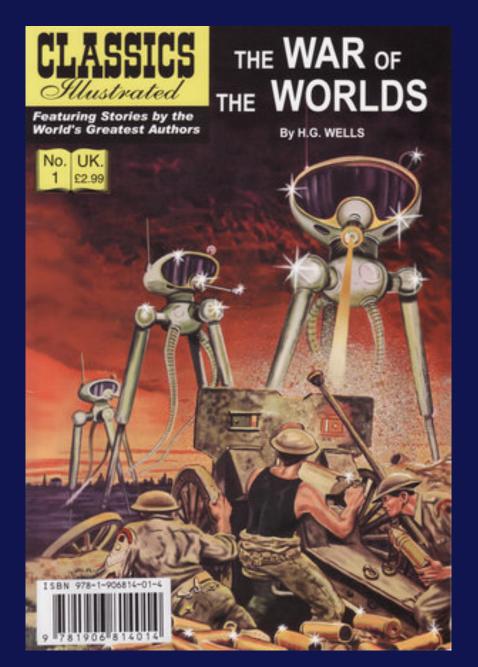


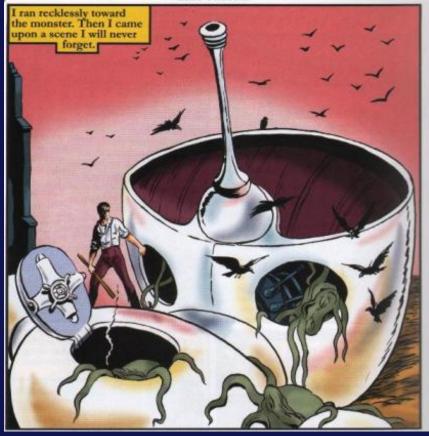


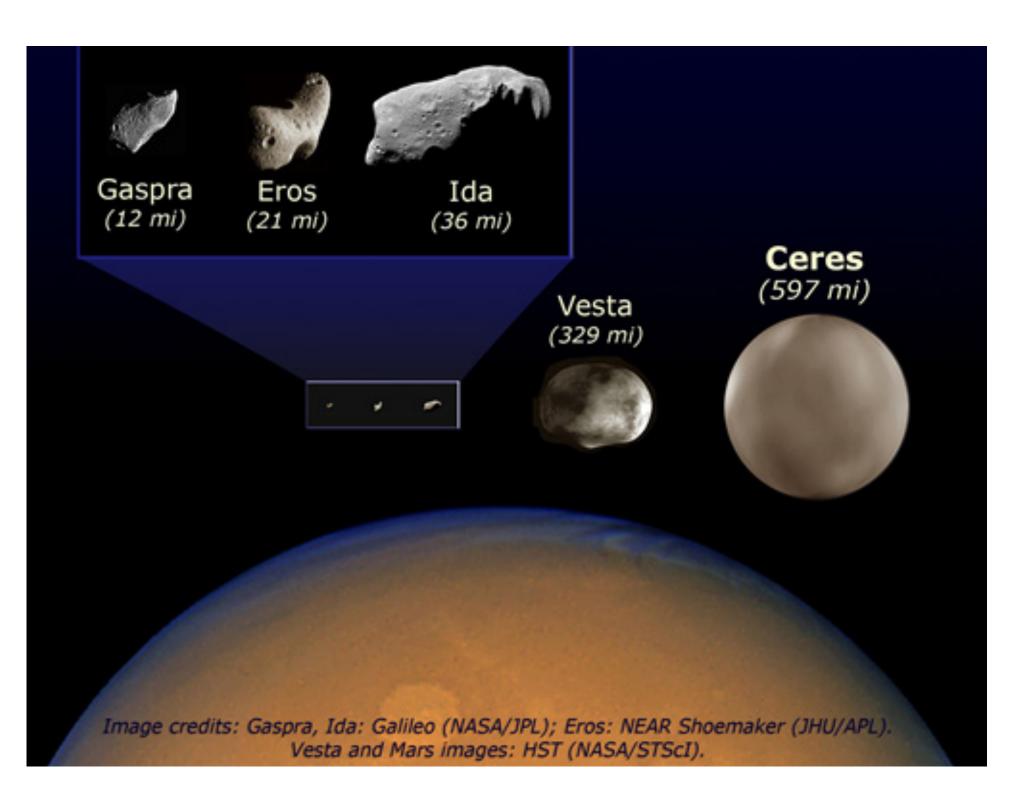


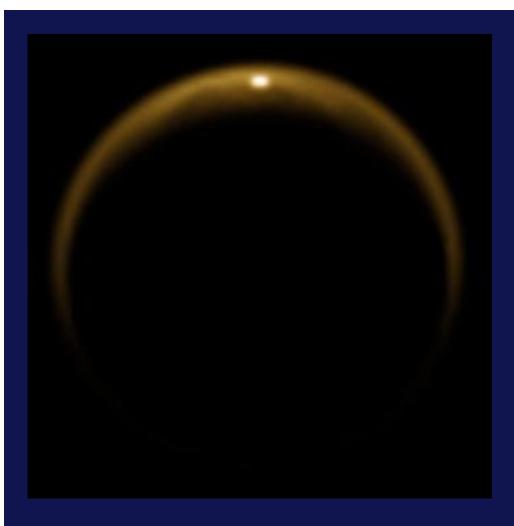






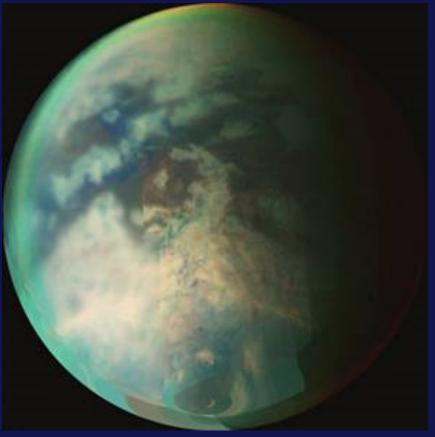




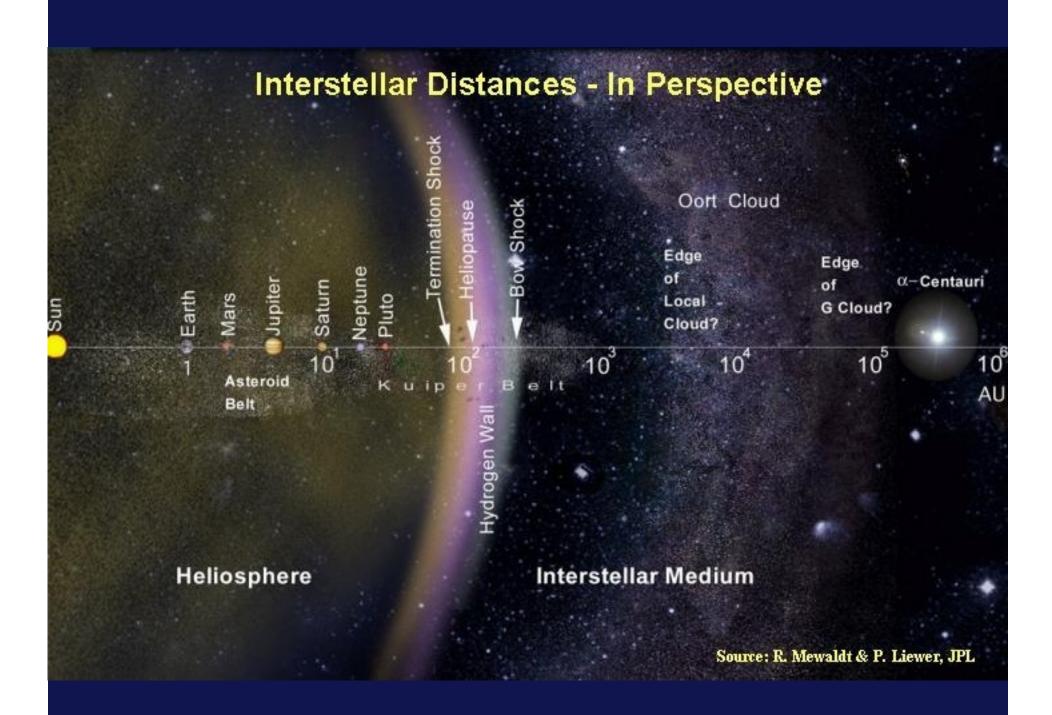


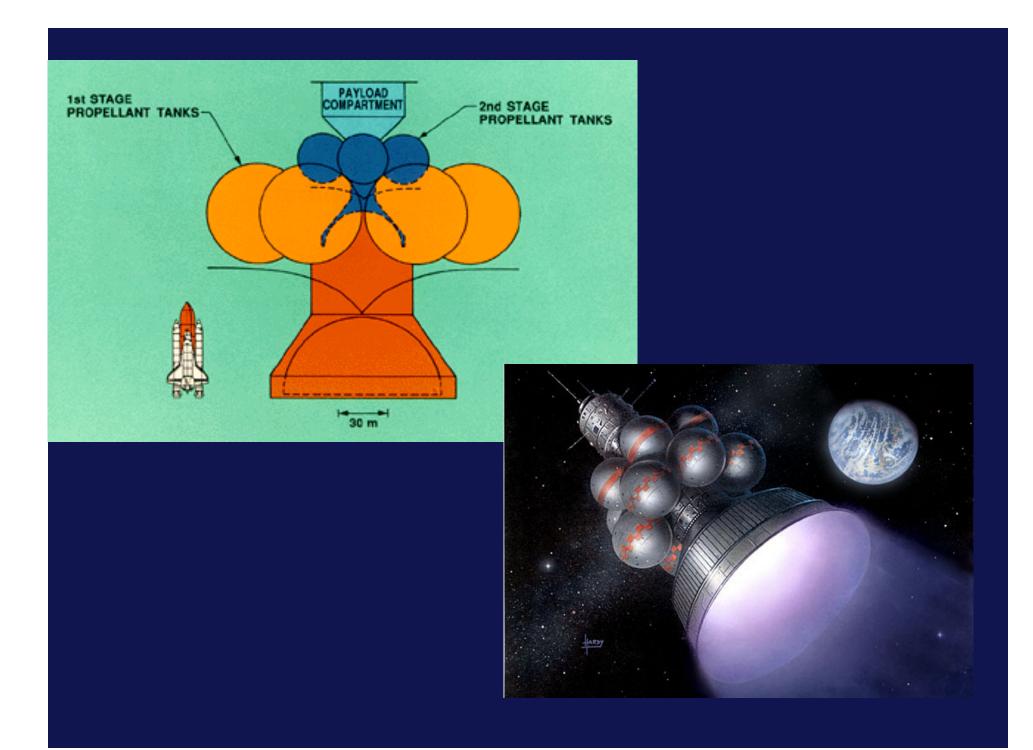
There isn't as much ethane in Titan's atmosphere as expected. Could Methanogens be eating it?

Or could a strange non-biological process be at work?



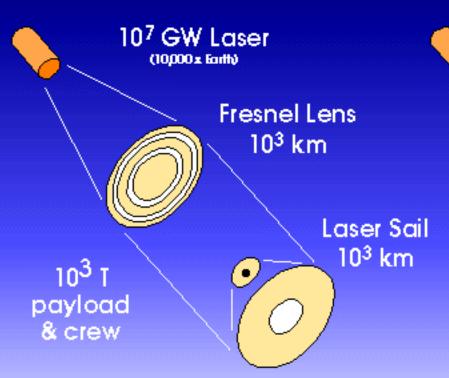






Beamed Propulsion Concepts

Laser Light Sail 1984... R. Forward, et al **Star Wisp** 1985 R. Forward



10 YEARS one way

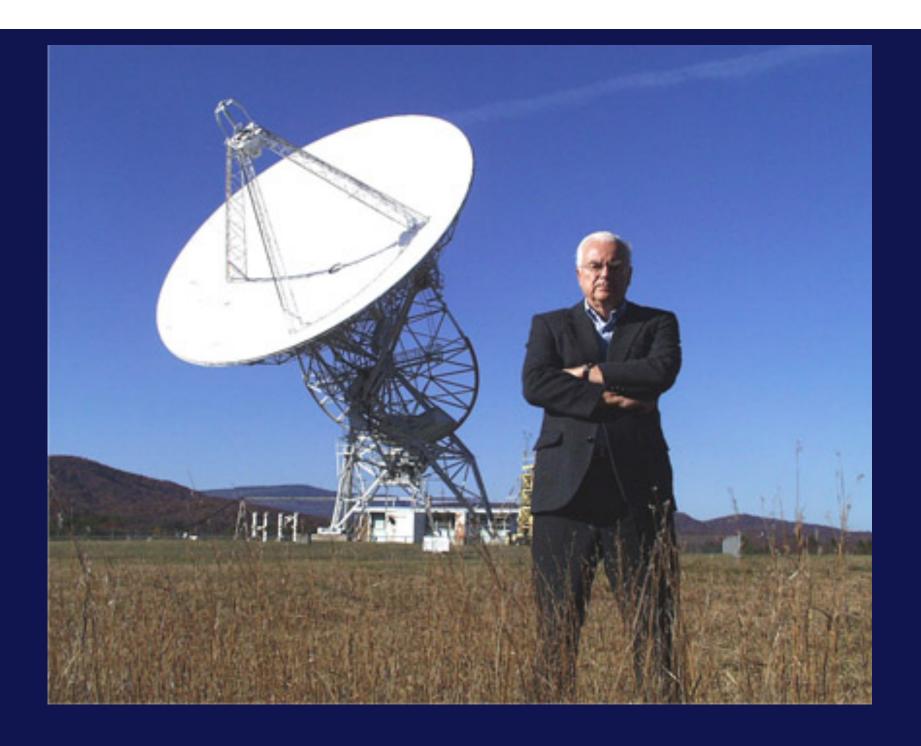
Fresnel Lens
10³ km

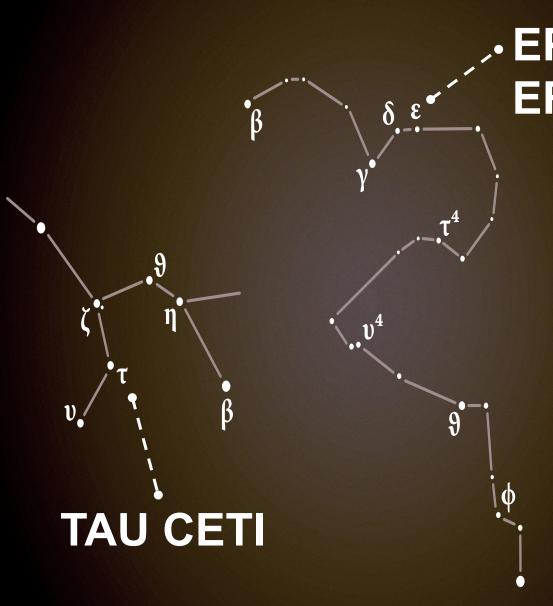
1 km Sail
16 gm
microfine
wires

20 YEARS one way

CD-94-68488







• EPSILON ERIDANI

Project
Ozma
began
searching
in 1960

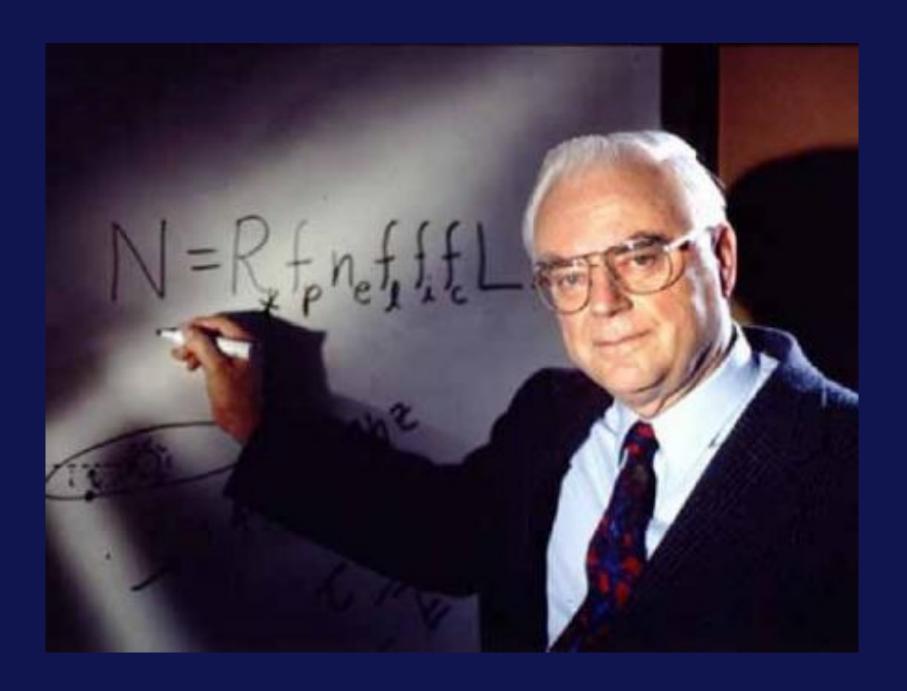




ANCE THE TITLE TO



Varyealkastistagriysaayr rylaatrisslegski ray'ala' aastagaaa' yles alasyas



Drake Equation

$$N = R \times f_s \times f_p \times n_e \times f_l \times f_i \times f_c \times L$$

- R average rate of star formation
- f_s fraction of good stars that have planetary systems
- n_e number of planets aound these stars within an "ecoshell"
- f₁ fraction of those planets where life develops
- f_i fraction of living species that develop intelligence
- f_c fraction of intelligent species with communications technology
- L lifetime of the "communicative phase"

THE OBSERVABLE DRAKE EQUATION

$$ETL = N_P X F_{TP} X F P_w X F P_L$$

ETL = Planets with extraterrestrial life in the Galaxy

Np = Number of exoplanets

Fpt = Fraction of terrestrial planets

FPw = Fraction of terrestrial planets with water

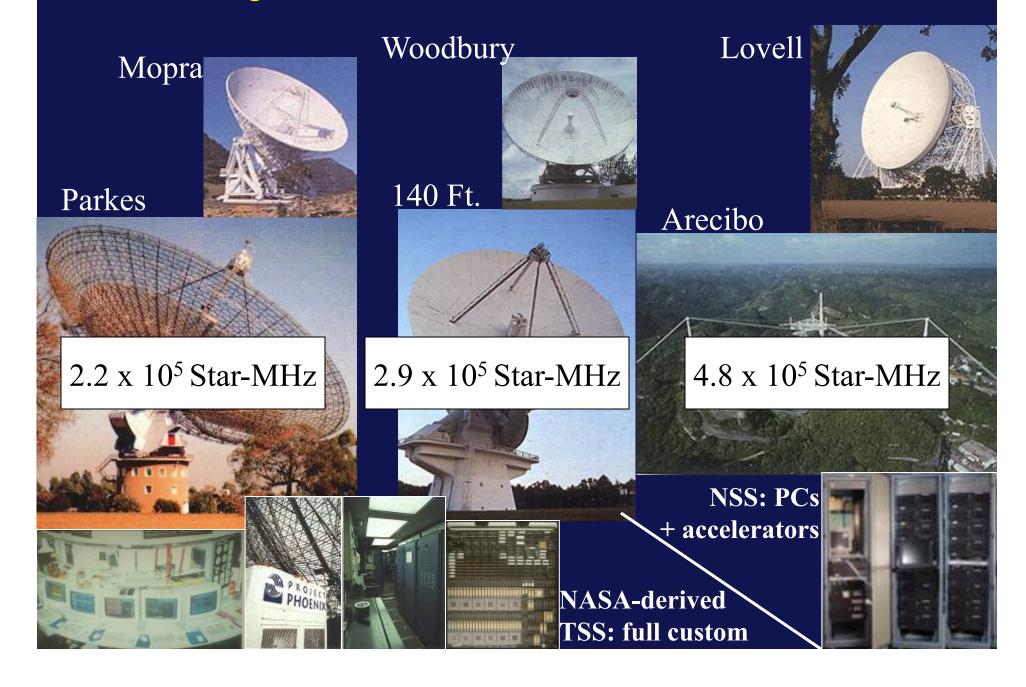
FPl = Fraction of terrestrial planets with carbon-based life

October 1, 1993

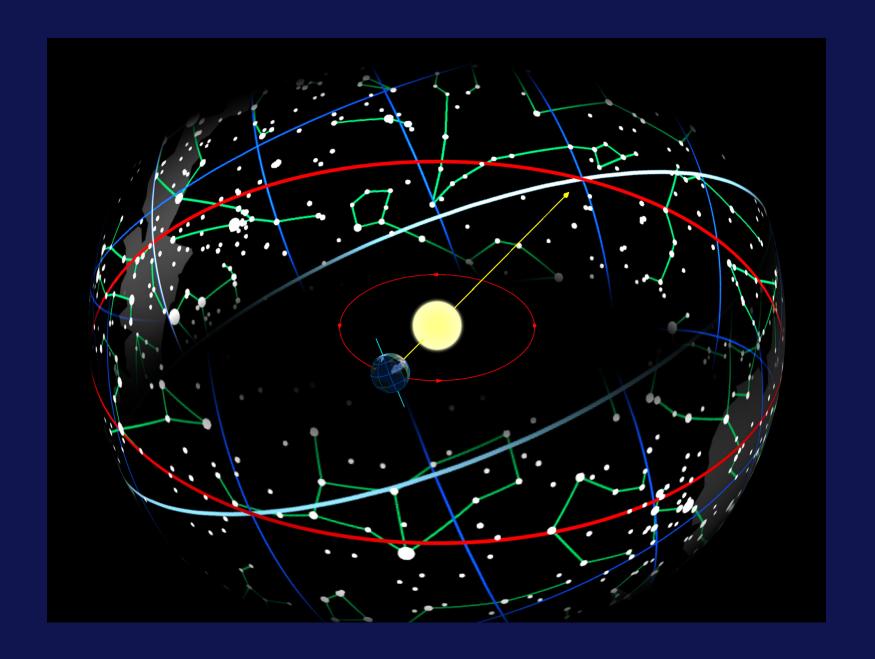


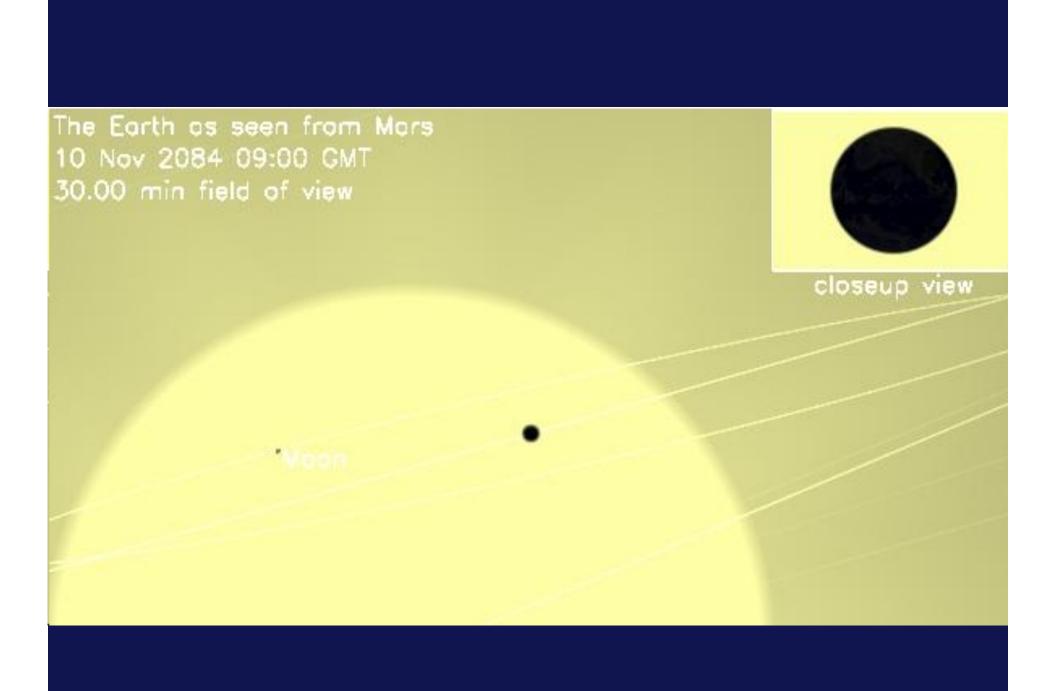
Nevada Senator Richard Bryan (D) saying "The great Martian chase has finally come to an end. As of today, millions have been spent and we have yet to bag a single little green fellow. Not a single Martian has said 'take me to your leader', and not a single flying saucer has applied for FAA approval. It may be funny to some, except the punchline includes a \$12.3 million price tag to the taxpayer."

Project Phoenix: 1994 - 2004





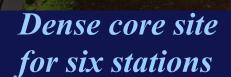




Tomorrow: Low Frequency SETI Eavesdropping on ET TV

LOFAR

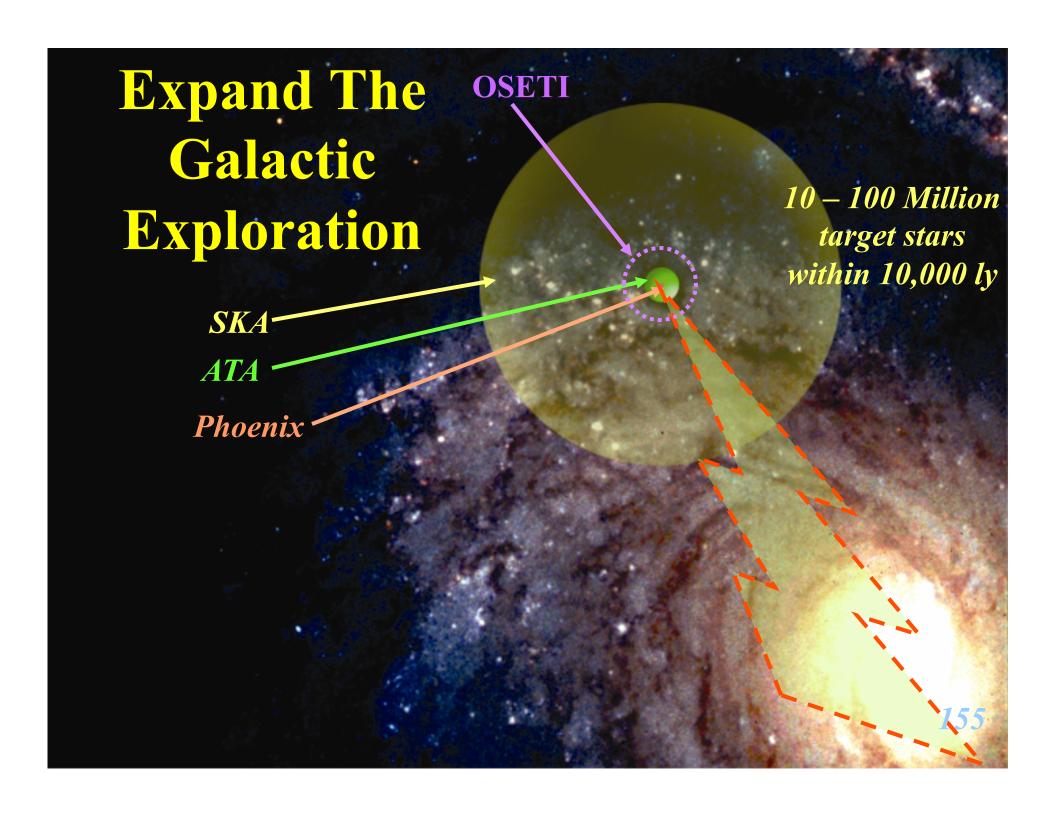
First LOFAR station









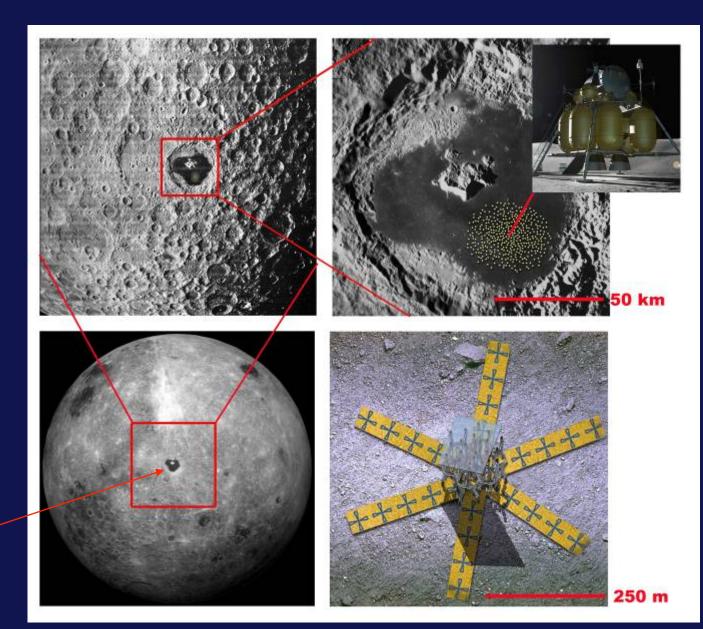




Dark Ages Lunar Interferometer

No ionosphere

10-100 MHz



Tsiolkovsky Crater

Should We Broadcast?

Who Should Speak For Earth?

What Should They Say?

Transmission requires:

Long term commitment

Global cooperation and coordination

Smile:) Humans are naive and fragile. We are not evolved to understand everything. We are children in a vast and mysterious universe.

Tommy

Adelaide, Australia

Hey I'm Katelyn. I just want to know what's with all the abductions? If you need a volunteer, please take my brothers! Take your pick. I thank you in advance. x Katelyn Tepper

Horsham, Australia

We come in peace. If you are out there, please respond. We want to be friends. We are all different and we can't wait to meet you! From the children of Earth.

Class4M

Castle Cove Public School, Australia

All our petty disputes, disagreements and wars fade into insignificance when we consider our tiny world's place in the cosmos.

Silvio Zarb

Melboume, Australia

What do you see when you look up into the sky? Do you feel small and lonely, just like us? From now on, I can assure you one thing: you are not alone. Be happy.

Sergio Camalich

Hermosillo, Mexico

What I've learnt: believe in yourself, believe in others, keep confidences, that family matters, you get what you give, dare to dream and don't forget to laugh.

Patty

Melboume, Australia

We are but children with so much still to learn; troubled by fears and nightmares but also elated by our hopes and dreams. We hope one day to be friends.

Wilson da Silva

Sydney, Australia

If you come to Earth look into: music, the beach, ice cream, hugs, family, love, dancing, cheese, trampolines, friendship, books and dreams. Just for a start.

Tamasin

Richmond, Australia

Hi there: Sorry about "The Outer Limits"; hope you enjoyed "I Love Lucy". Have you got all our missing socks? Love, Earth

Fred Mason

Roberts Creek, Australia

"These are not the droids you're looking for." -

Denton, TX, United States

"We are all lying in the gutter, but some of us are looking at the stars..." - Oscar Wilde

Je#N

Sydney, Australia

Hope you receive this message as it could mean the start of something magnificent. With awe and respect from Earth.

Theresa

Canberra, ACT, Australia

You are cordially invited to an Interplanetary BBQ. 6.00pm, 4th October, 2452 at my place BYO Meat and Beer. RSVP: Year 2100 Cheers

Daniel Edmonds

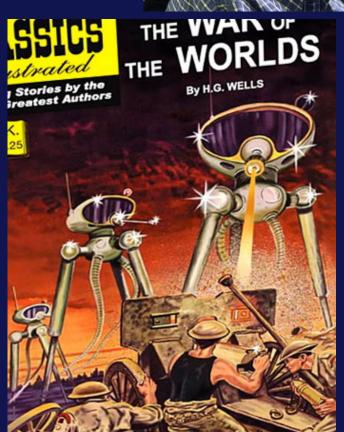
Melboume, Australia

Hi from Patrick & Emily of Earth. We all wonder if there's life elsewhere in the Universe. But one thing is certain - We're never alone when we have each other.

Patrick

Sydney, Australia

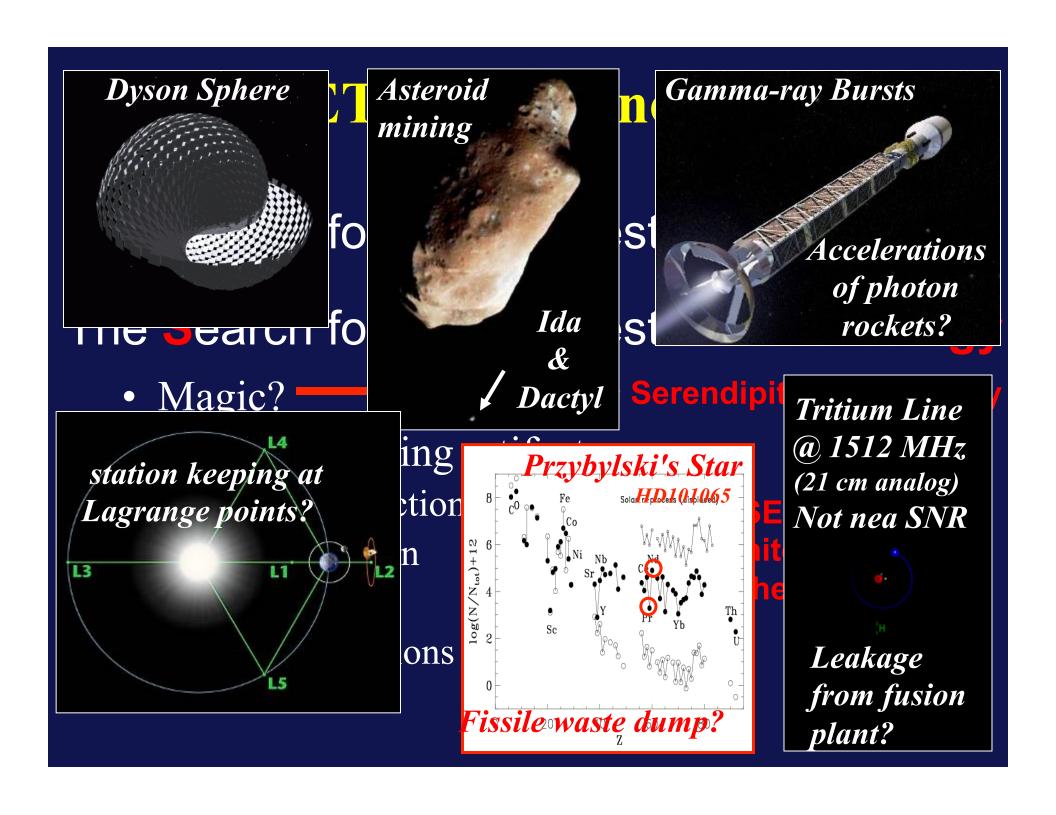


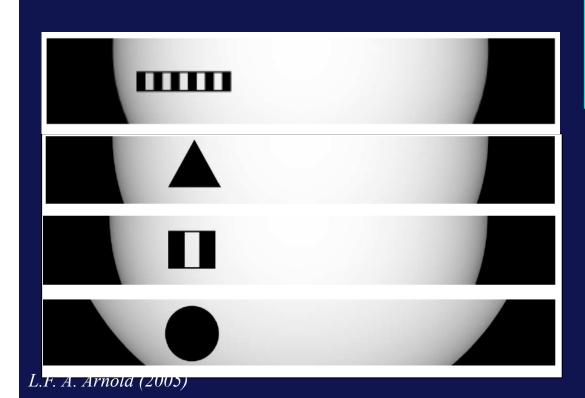


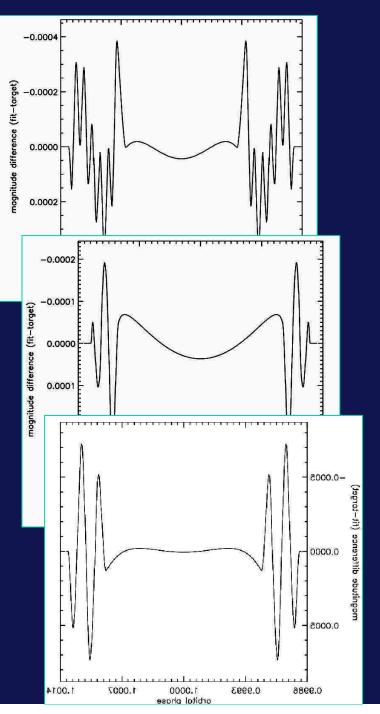


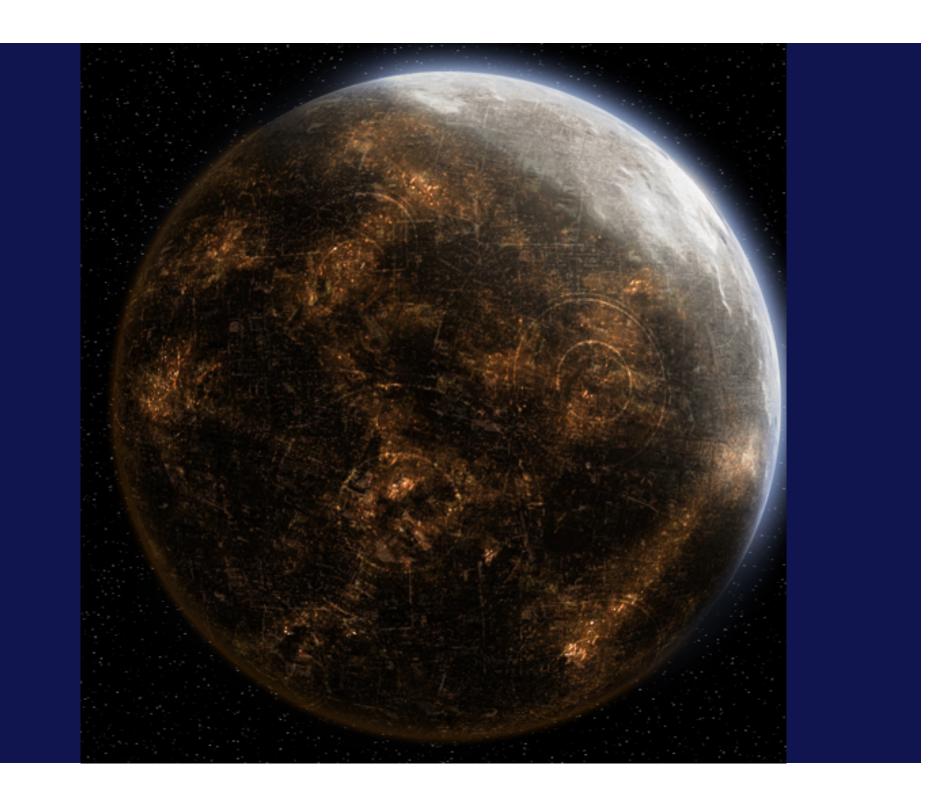


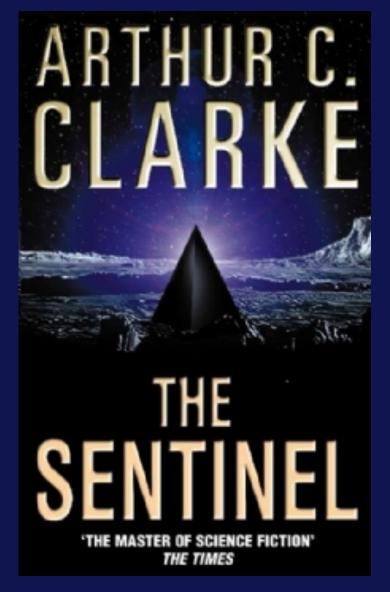


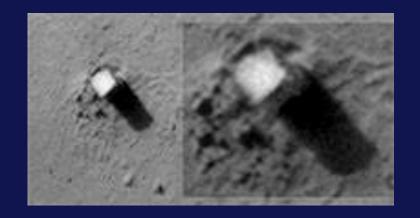




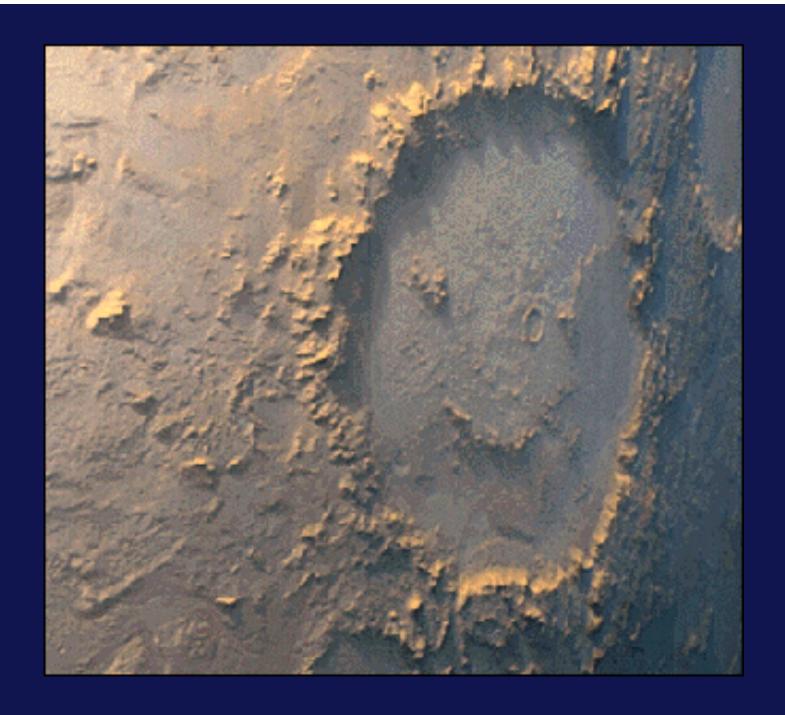






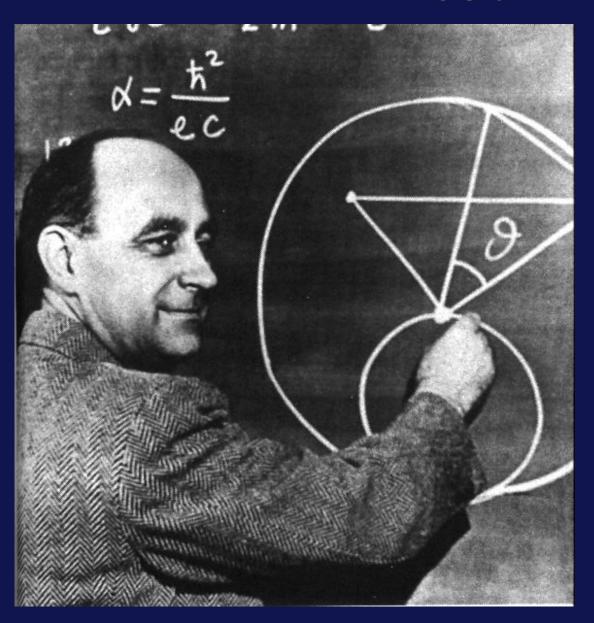








Enrico Fermi 1950



FERMI PARADOX

if the rise of advanced civilizations and space colonization are at all likely, aliens should have been to Earth by now.

Yet there is no sign of them.

Does this imply that aliens do not exist or that space colonization may be undesirable?

Maybe There's nothing paradoxical about it. It's just ignorance.

FERMI'S RATIONALIZATION

Our descendants will travel out to the nearby stars.

Colonies planted around these stars would be expected soon to expand further in a wave, spreading through the entire galaxy in less than a hundred million years

Other intelligent civilizations must have gotten a head start on us and should long since have filled the galaxy.

Zoo Hypothesis – they stay away from us

- Zoo Hypothesis they stay away from us
- Ant Farm Hypothesis they are too advanced to be interested in us.

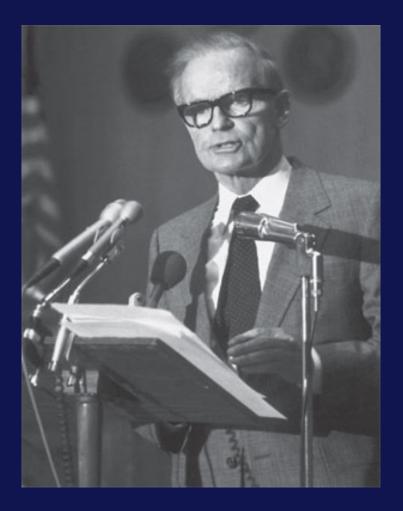
- Zoo Hypothesis they stay away from us
- Ant Farm Hypothesis they are too advanced
- Dr. Strangelove Hypothesis

- Zoo Hypothesis they stay away from us
- Ant Farm Hypothesis they are too advanced
- Dr. Strangelove Hypothesis
- Al Hypothesis Mecca replaces Org

- Zoo Hypothesis they stay away from us
- Ant Farm Hypothesis they are too advanced
- Dr. Strangelove Hypothesis
- Al Hypothesis Mecca replaces Org
- Space travel too expensive or difficult

- Zoo Hypothesis they stay away from us
- Ant Farm Hypothesis they are too advanced
- Dr. Strangelove Hypothesis
- Al Hypothesis Mecca replaces Org
- Interstellar travel too expensive or difficult
- They lack curiosity

Proxmire Effect



You're serious then.

They're made out of meat.

Yes. They are indeed made out meat. And they've been trying to get in touch with us for almost a hundred of their years."

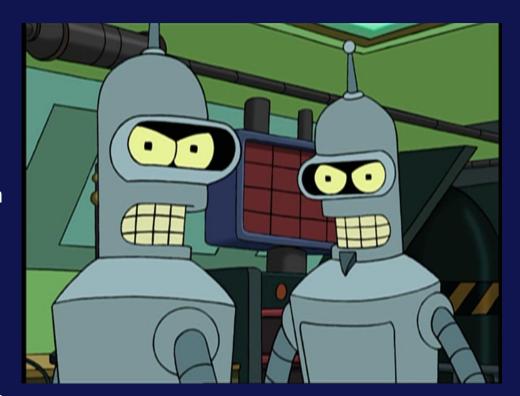
"So what does the meat have in mind."

"First it wants to talk to us. Then I imagine it wants to explore the universe, contact other sentients, swap ideas and information."

.""It seems harsh, but there is a limit.

Do we really want to make contact
with meat?"

"I agree one hundred percent. What's there to say?" `Hello, meat. How's it going?'





· If any signal is unambiguously verified as being extraterrestrial, it will be openly announced.

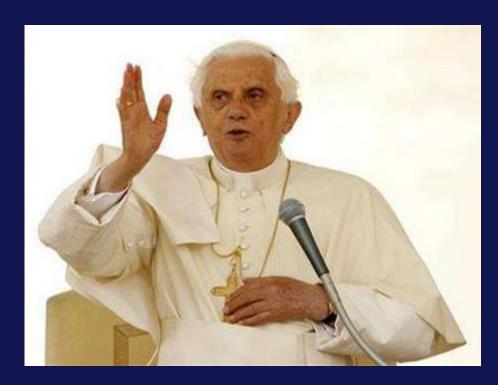
- · If any signal is unambiguously verified as being extraterrestrial, it will be openly announced.
- The majority of Americans already believe in the existence of extraterrestrial beings.

- If any signal is unambiguously verified as being extraterrestrial, it will be openly announced.
- The majority of Americans already believe in the existence of extraterrestrial beings.
- However, the public might expect a "message".
 They will get bored if no message is decoded.

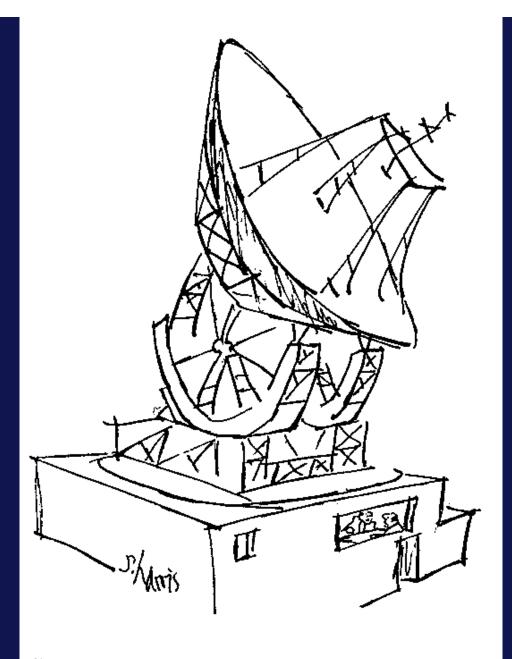
- · If any signal is unambiguously verified as being extraterrestrial, it will be openly announced.
- The majority of Americans already believe in the existence of extraterrestrial beings.
- However, the public might expect a "message".
 They will get bored if no message is decoded.
- Nations will engage in a new "space race" to build ever larger telescopes for better resolving the beacon.

- · If any signal is unambiguously verified as being extraterrestrial, it will be openly announced.
- The majority of Americans already believe in the existence of extraterrestrial beings.
- However, the public might expect a "message".
 They will get bored if no message is decoded.
- Nations will engage in a new "space race" to build ever larger telescope for resolving the beacon.

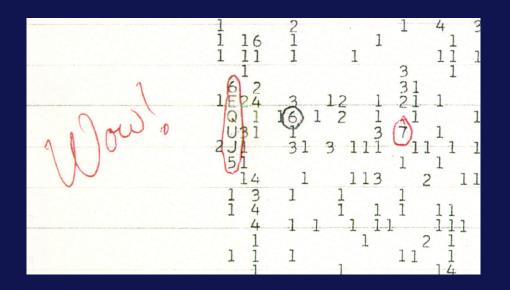
 some religious and conspiracy groups will reject the signal as a fake. most religions would embrace the discovery as reinforcing evidence for a God some religious and conspiracy groups will reject the signal as a fake. Most religions would embrace the discovery as reinforcing evidence for a God.

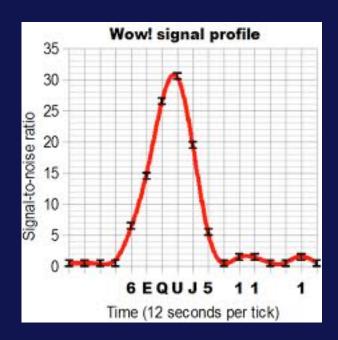


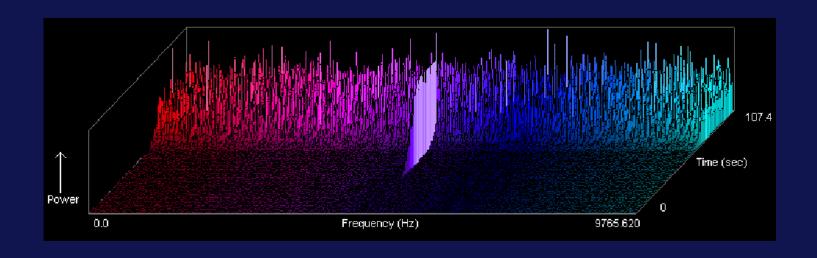
 Historical precedent (Copernicus, Darwin, etc.) suggests a gradual change in world view rather than a dramatic upset in the daily conduct of society.

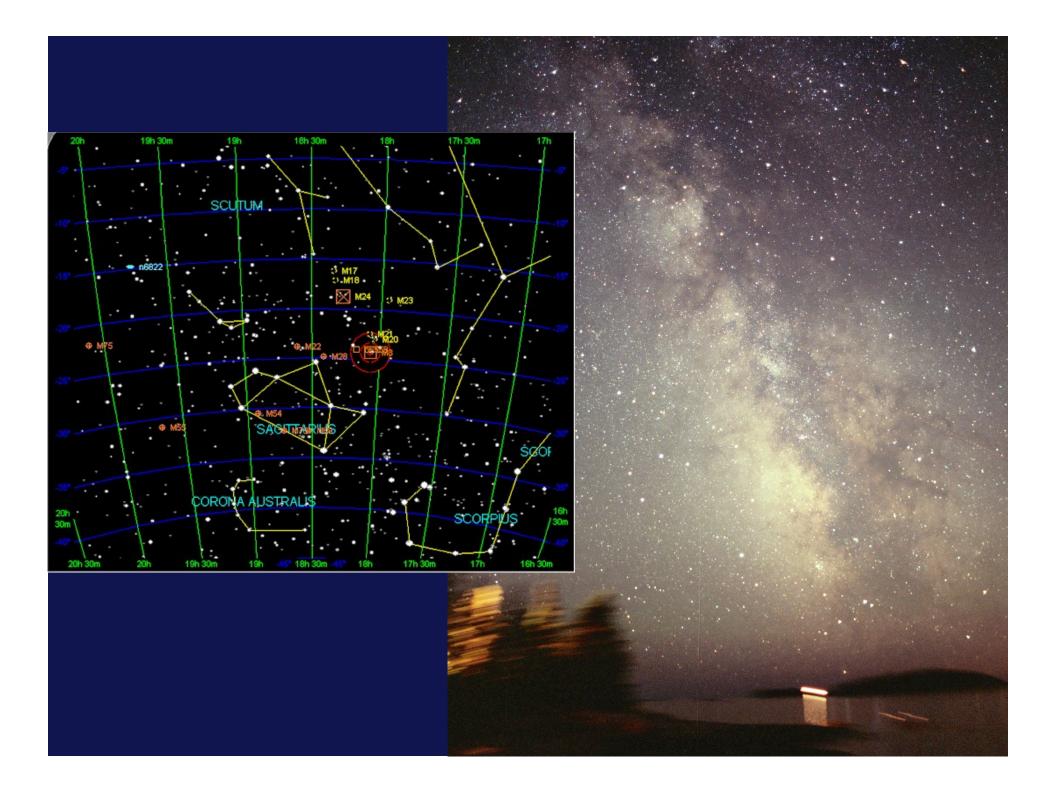


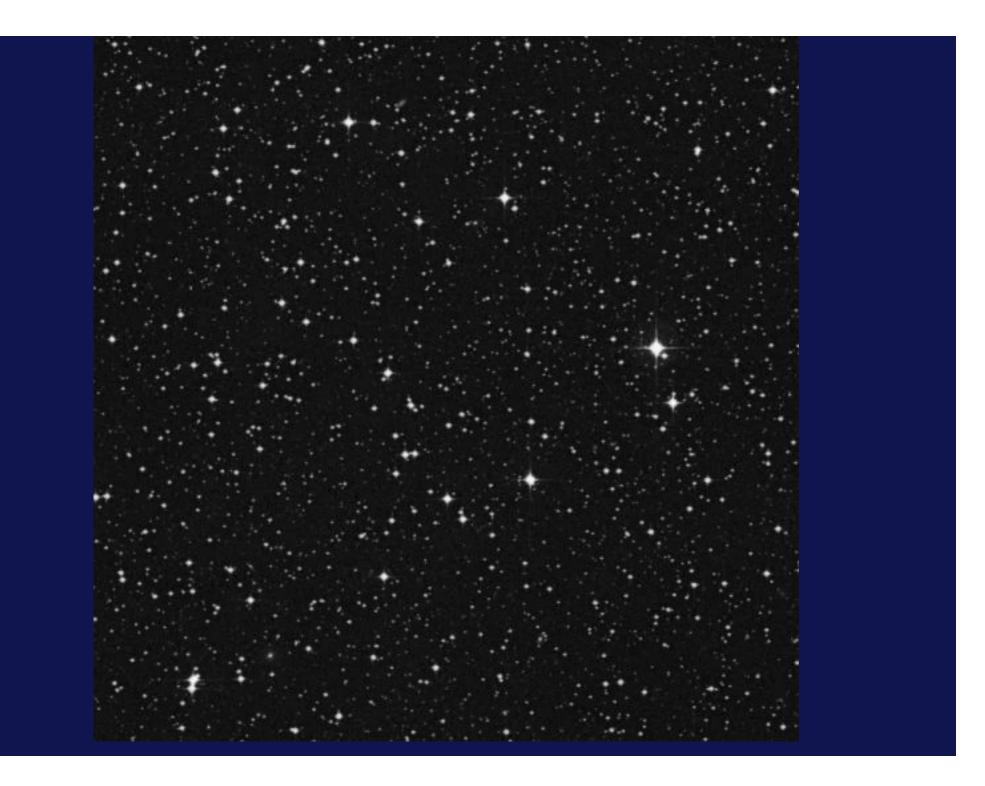
"As I understand it, they want an immediate answer. Only trouble is, the message was sent out 3 million years ago."

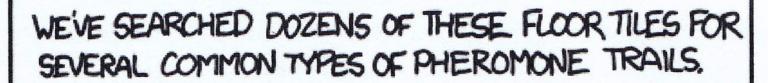












WOULD HAVE SEEN ITS MESSAGES BY NOW.



THE WORLD'S FIRST ANT COLONY TO ACHIEVE SENTIENCE CALLS OFF THE SEARCH FOR US.



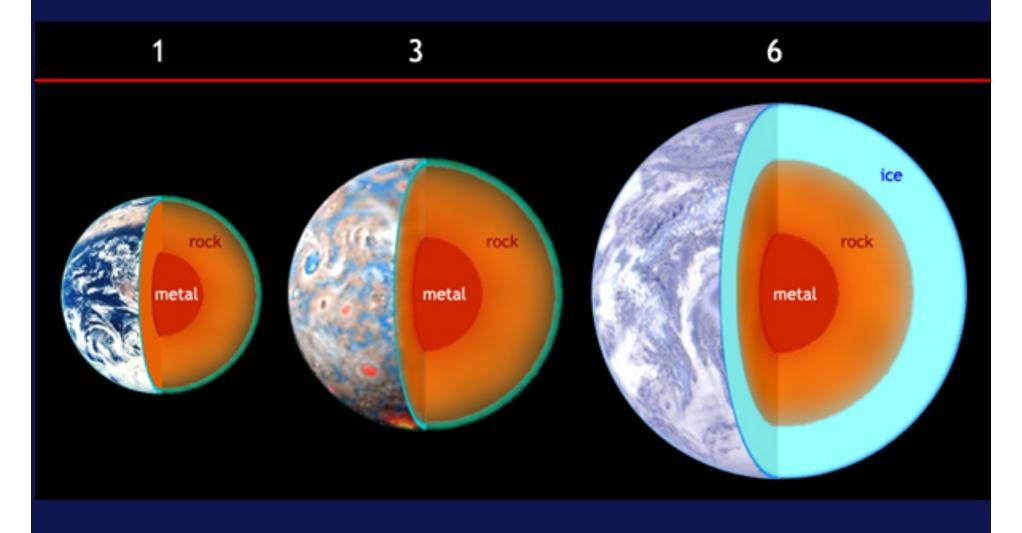


ANCE THE TITLE TO



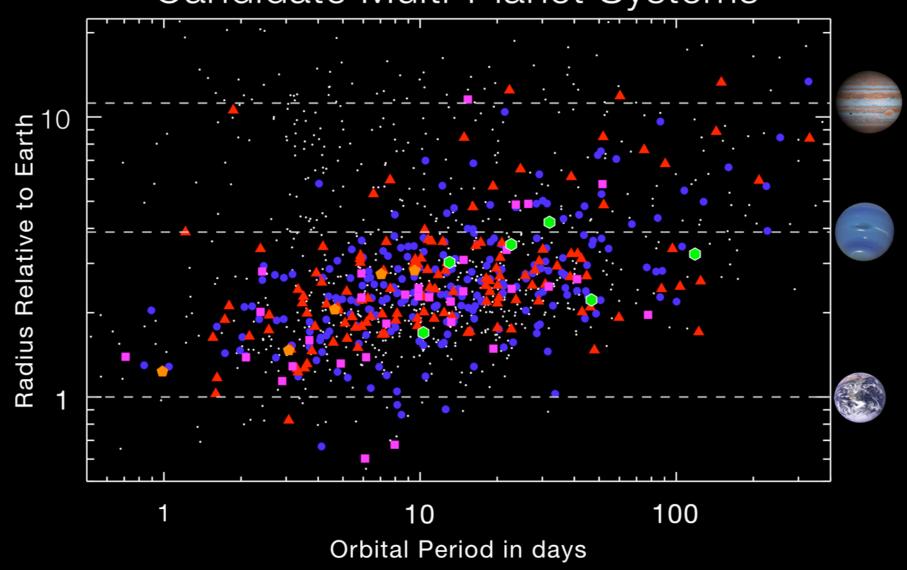
Varyealkastistagriysaayr rylaatrisslegski ray'ala' aastagaaa' yles alasyas

Earth Masses

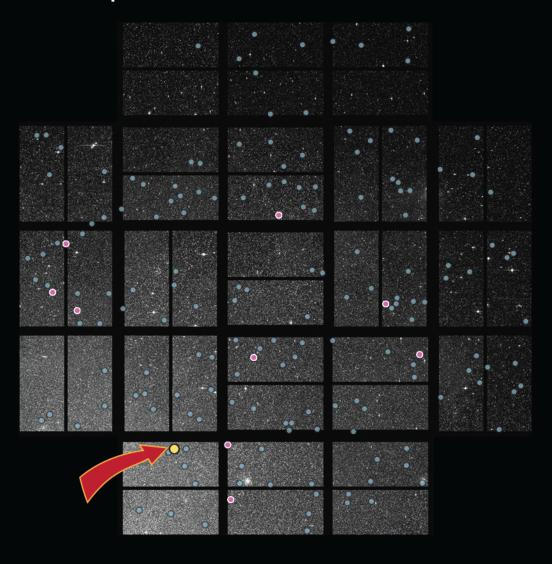


SUPER-EARTHS

Candidate Multi-Planet Systems



Kepler-11: Six Planets



Jack's presentation

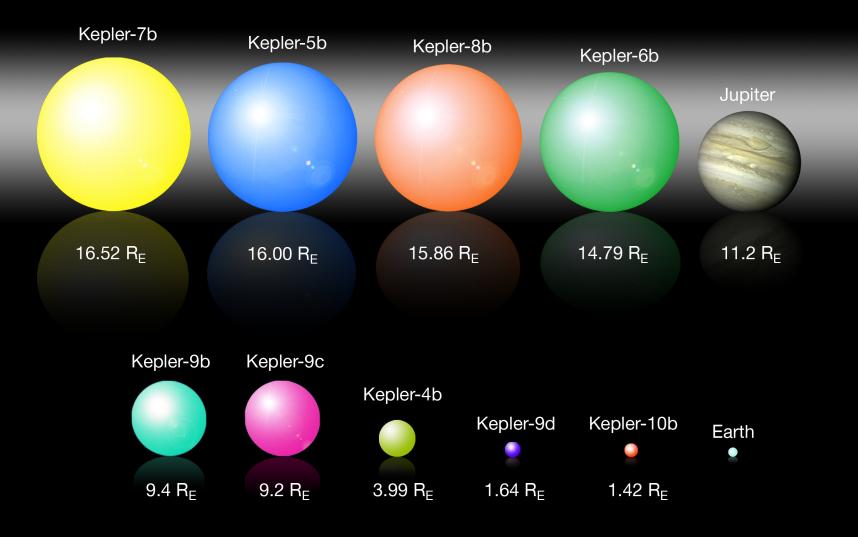
Play animation now

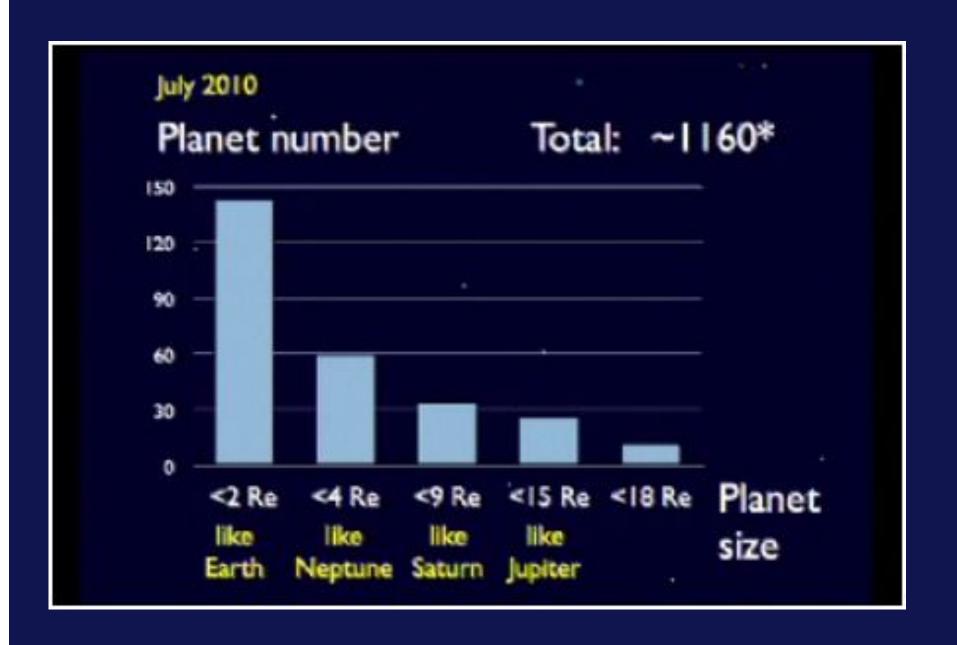
Summary

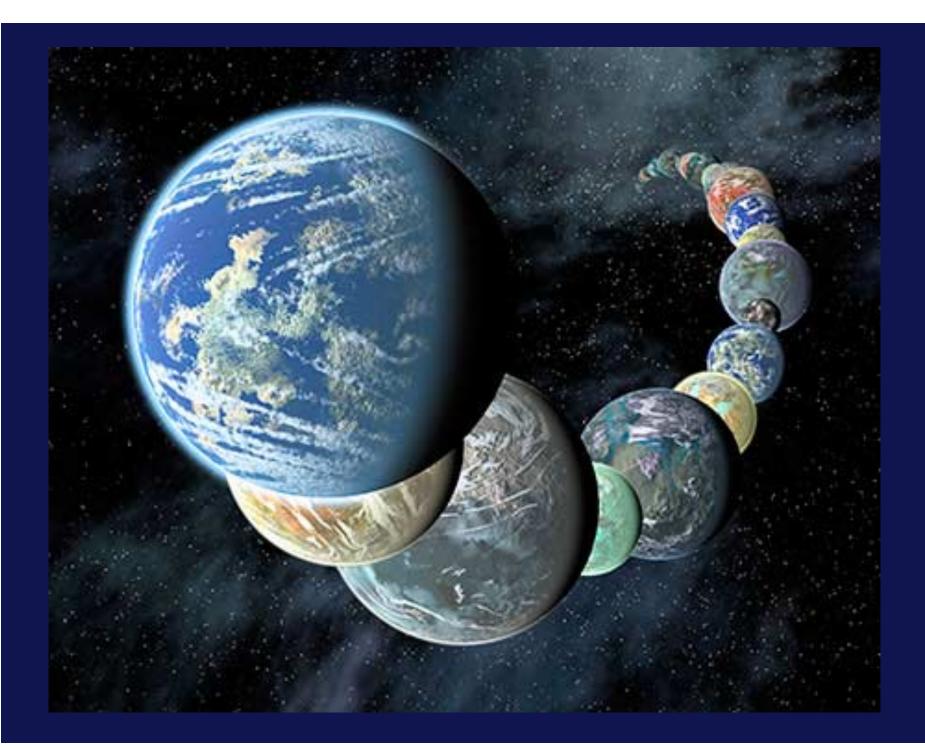
- Kepler-11 is a surprisingly flat system of six planets.
- The five inner planets comprise the most closely-spaced planetary system known.
- The planets are mid-sized:
 2-5 times as large as Earth.
- Most have low densities, implying mixtures of solids and light gases.



Planet Size







EARTH



GLIESE 581 C

5000 km (3107 mi)