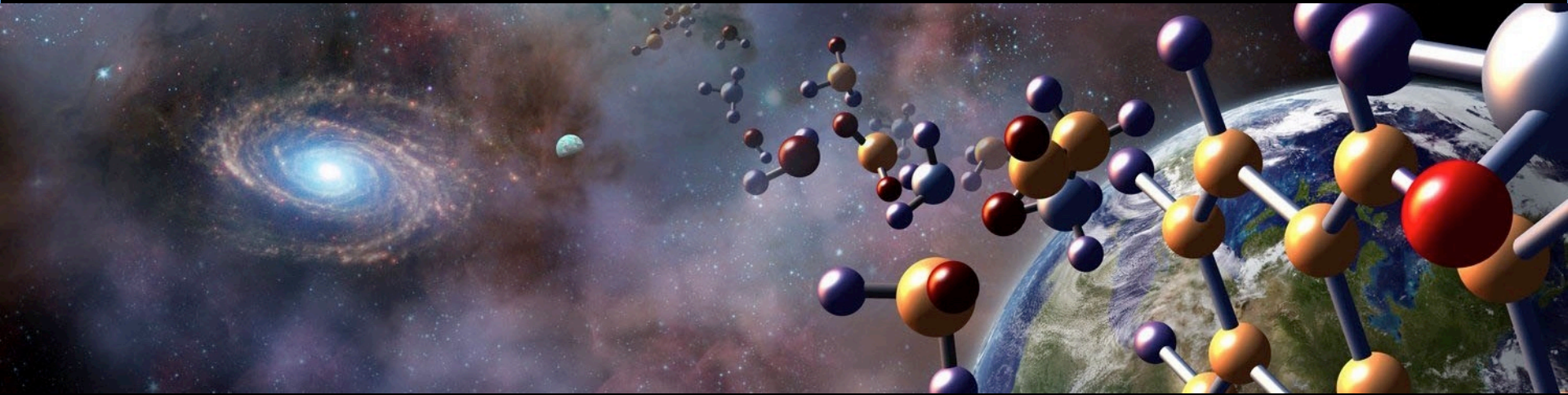


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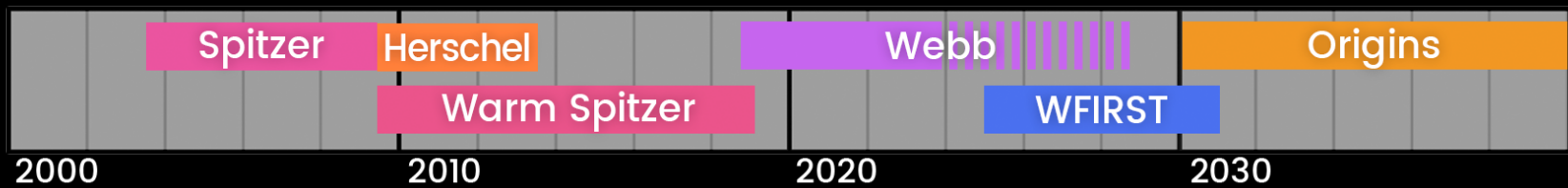
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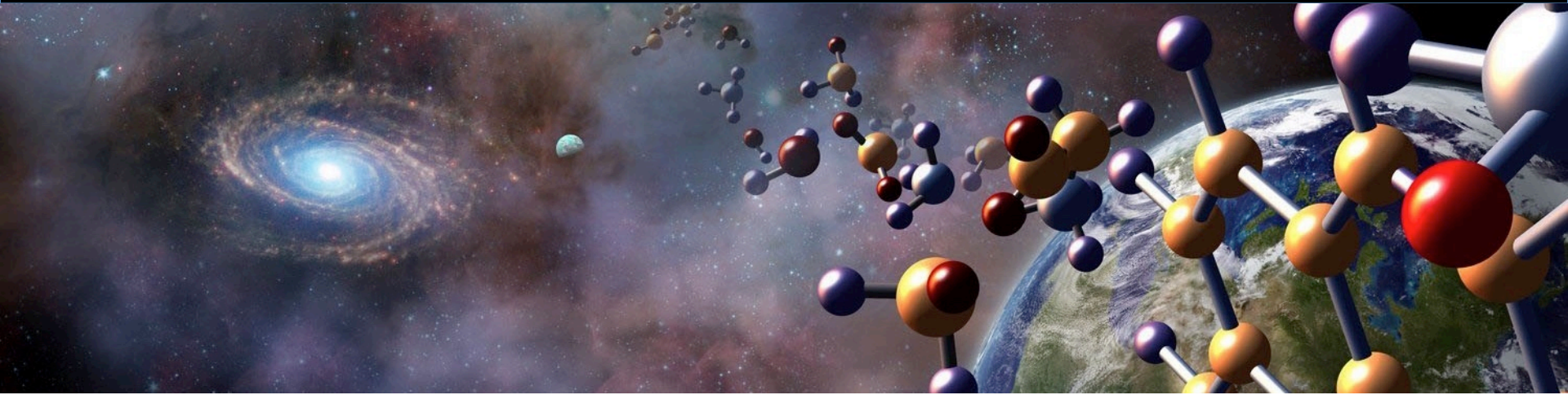


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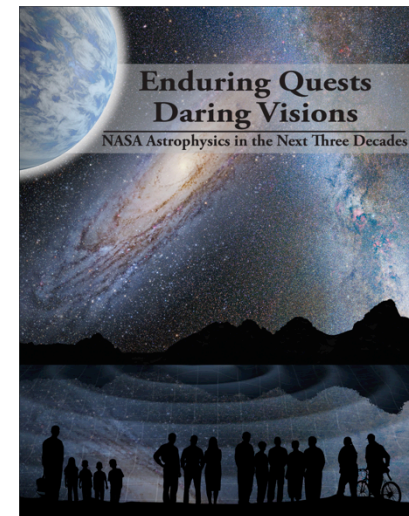


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**Comes from the NASA Astrophysics Roadmap, Enduring Quests, Daring Visions**



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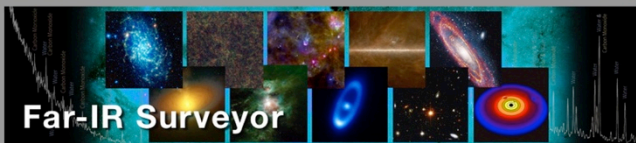
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### Tracing the signatures of life and the ingredients of habitable worlds

Origins will trace the trail of water from interstellar clouds, to proto-planetary disks, to Earth itself facilitating understanding of the abundance and availability of water for habitable planets.



### Unveiling the Growth of Black Holes and Galaxies over Cosmic Time

Origins will reveal the co-evolution of super-massive black holes and galaxies, energetic feedback, and the dynamic interstellar medium from which stars are born.



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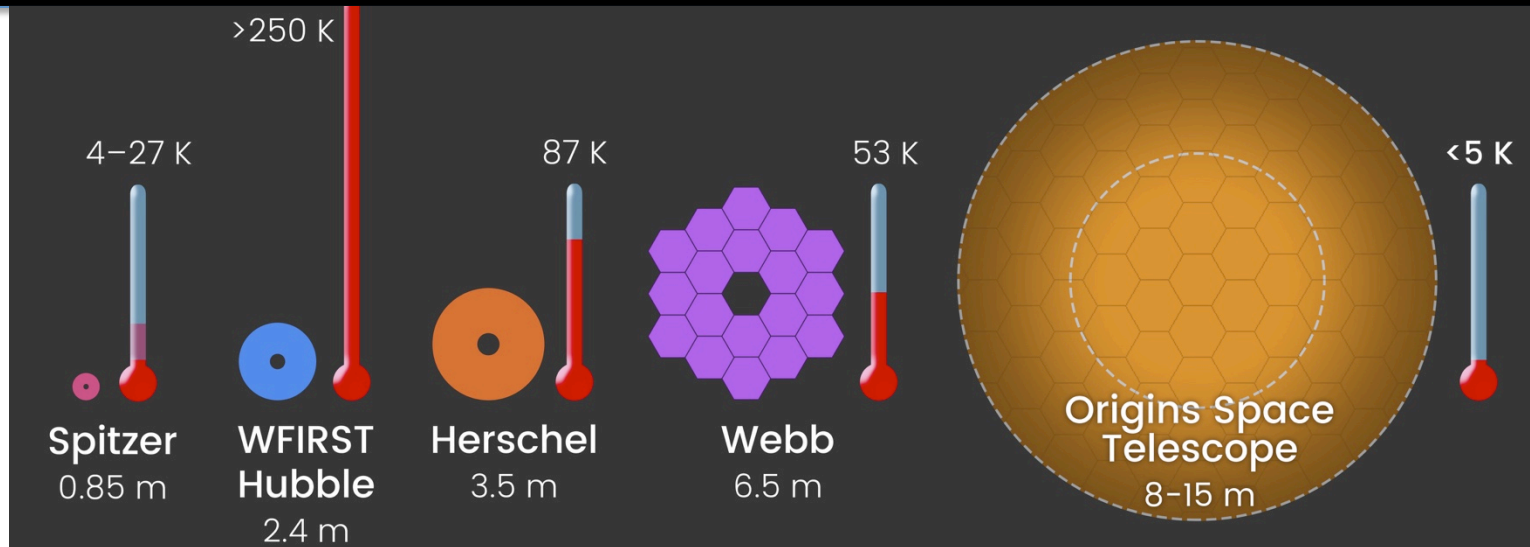
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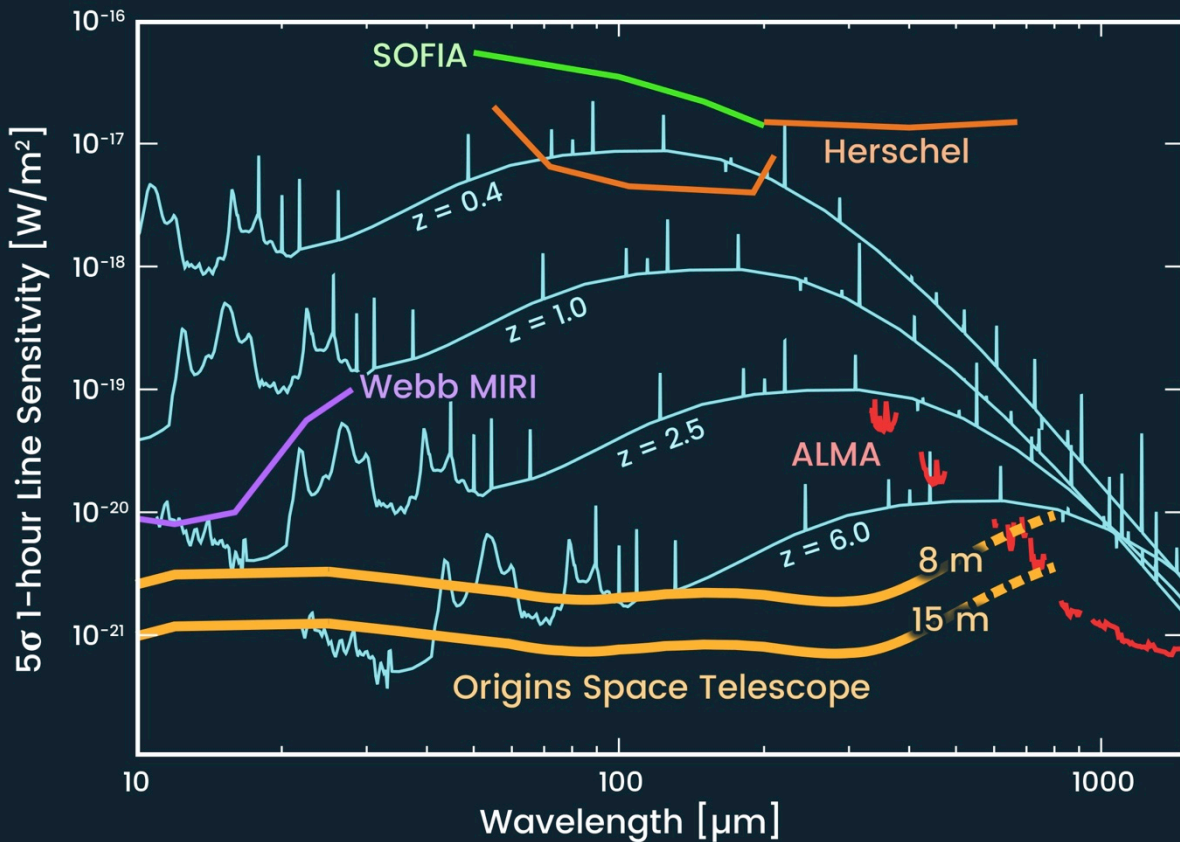
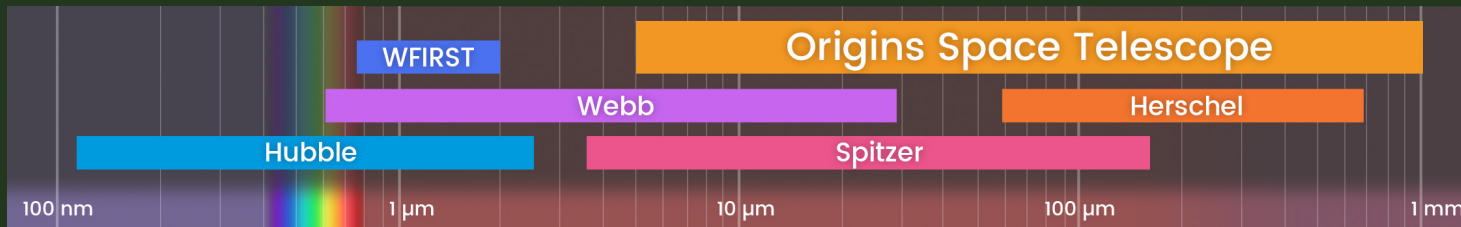




## Telescope Parameters

Aperture Diameter	FOV	Diffraction Limited at	Temperature
8-15 m	0.5-1 square degree	40 $\mu\text{m}$	$\sim 4$ K

Potential  
Wavelength  
Coverage from  
5  $\mu\text{m}$ –1 mm





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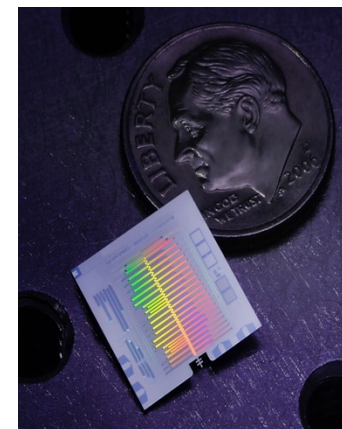
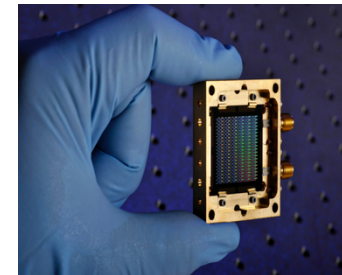
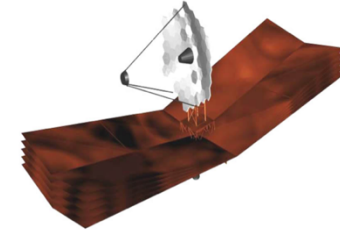
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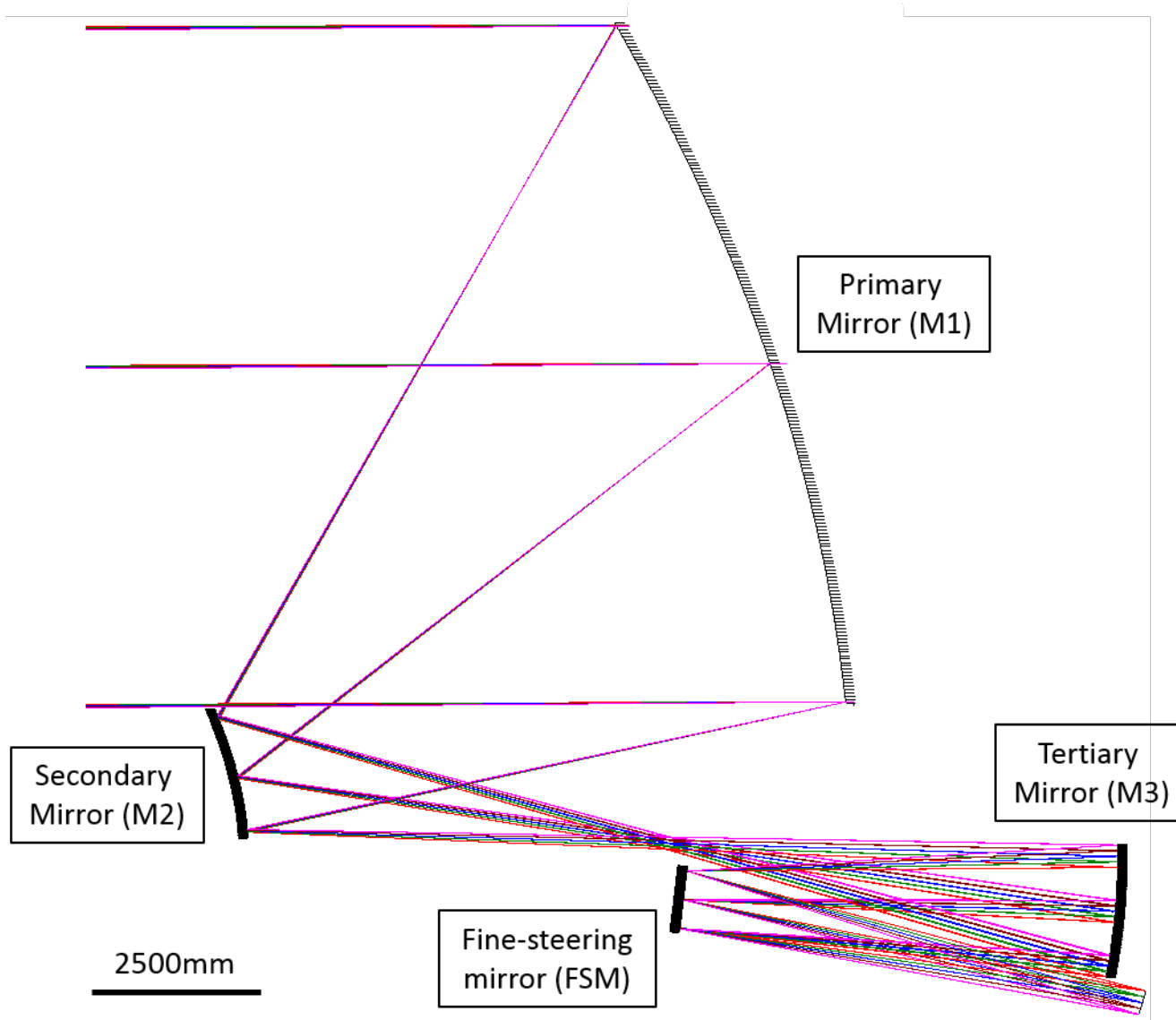
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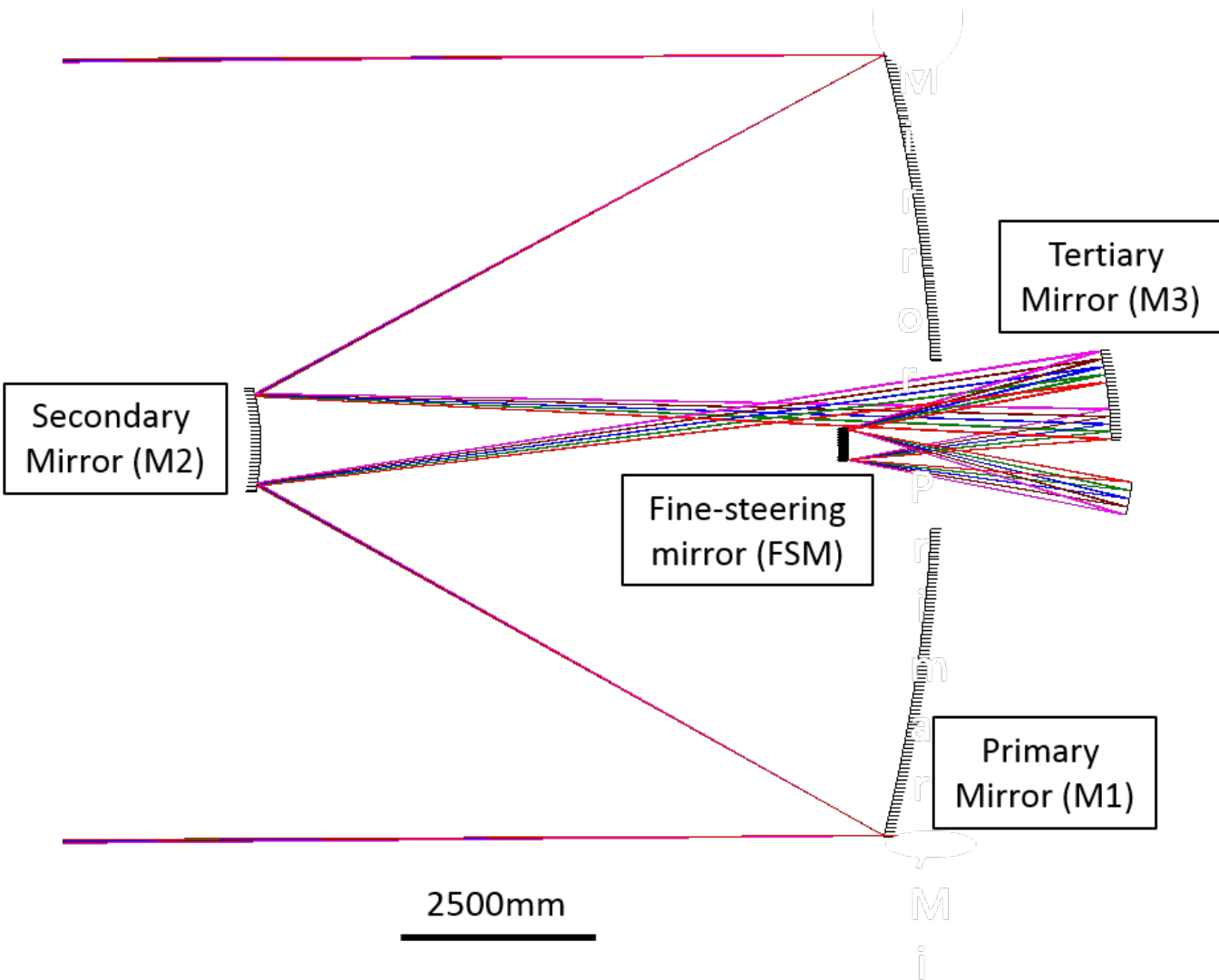
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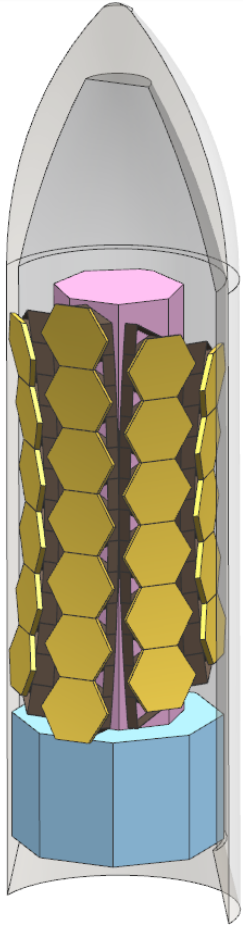
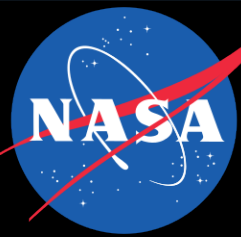
New Technology	New Capability
Space	Wavelength coverage JWST $\longleftrightarrow$ ALMA
Cold Mirror	Spectroscopic line sensitivity
Large Telescope	Spatial resolution and sensitivity
Large Detector Arrays	Wide field imaging
Compact Gratings & Integrated Spectrometers	3D mapping
Mid-IR Coronagraph	Exoplanet+Disk Characterization



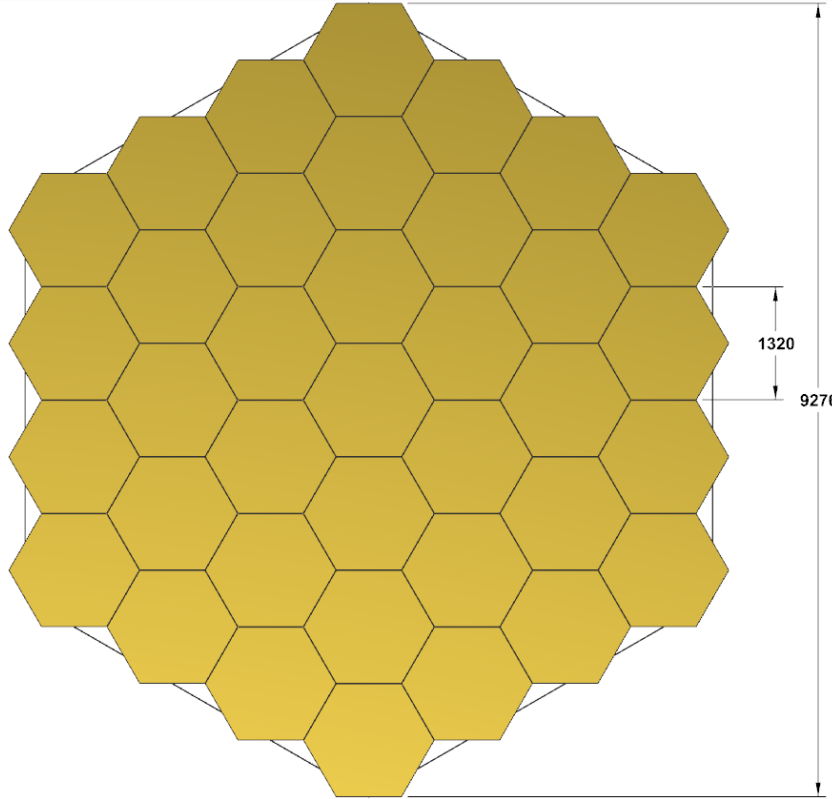




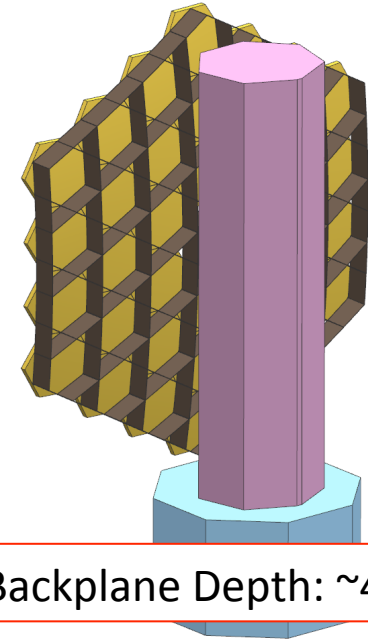




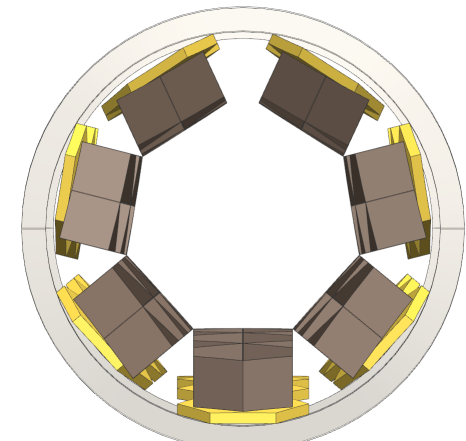
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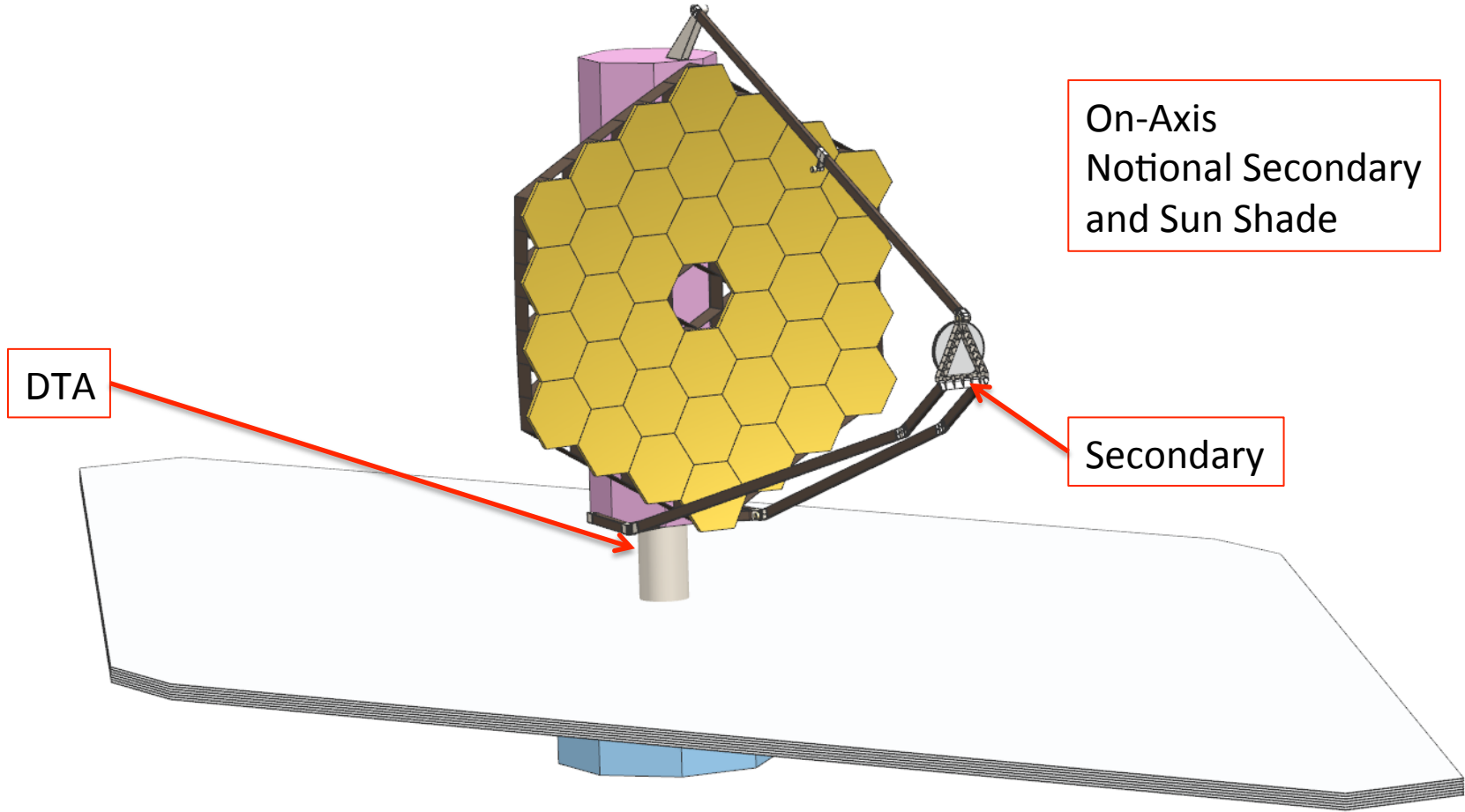


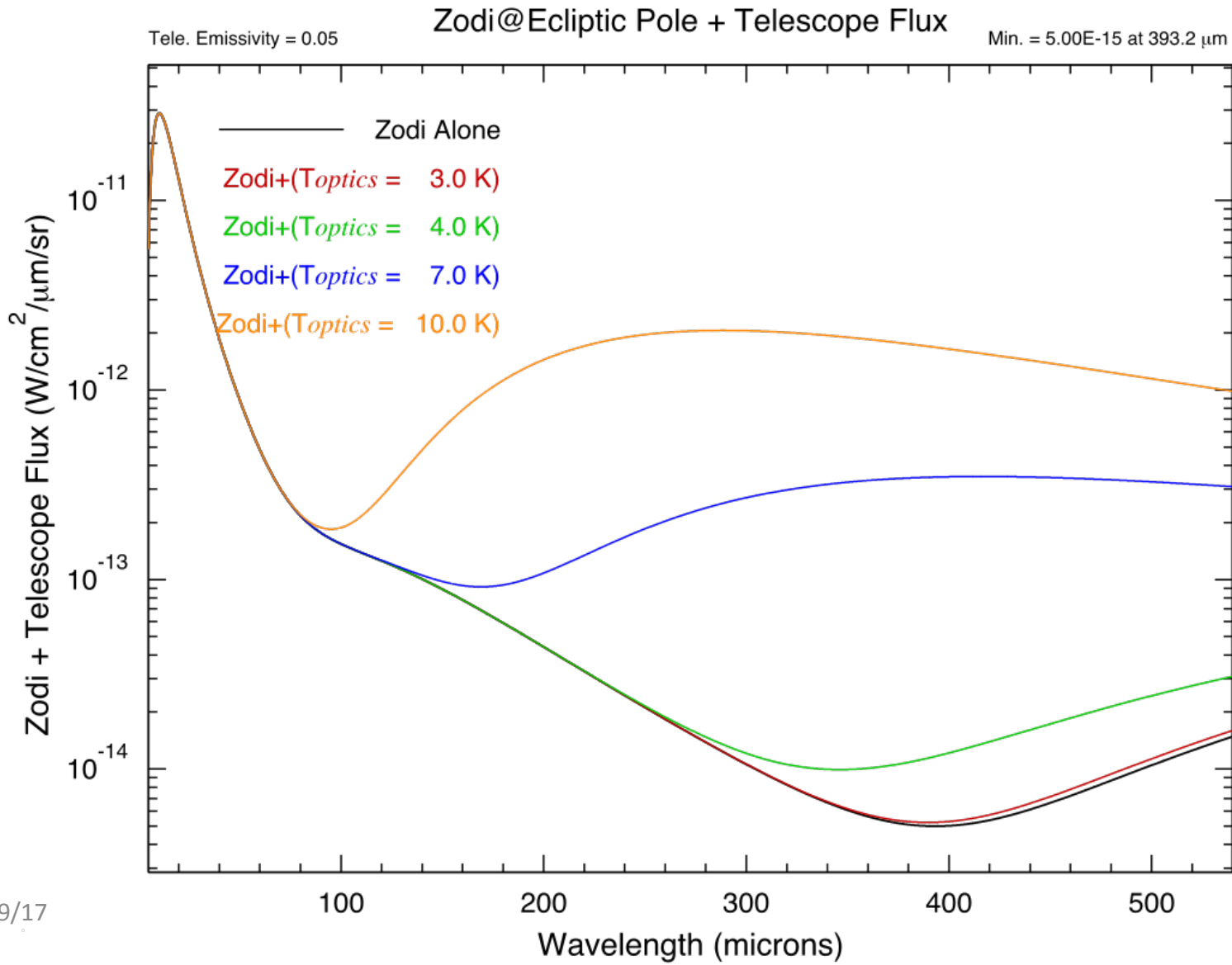
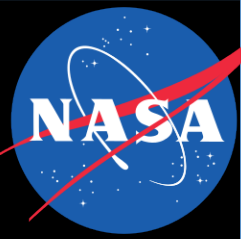
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37 Segments  
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Mass Rough Estimate: 3462 kg



Backplane Depth: ~495mm







# Science & Technology Definition Team Schedule

- **January to July 2017:**
  - Complete preliminary designs for telescope and instruments
  - Secure instrument design contributions
  - Identify technology drivers
- **August to September 2017**
  - Define required technologies
  - Complete preliminary mission design
- **January to March 2018:**
  - Finalize Telescope and Instrument Designs
  - Finalize mission design including spacecraft bus
- **April to August 2018:**
  - Identify de-scope options
  - End-to-end Mission cost estimations
- **January 2019:**
  - Submit the final study report to NASA HQ
- **March 2019:**
  - Far-IR Study Results presentation to Decadal Committee



**What's happening now:**

- Five science working groups: membership is open to the community (US and foreign)
- Deciding on science questions in the post-JWST, 15 years of ALMA operations in an era of Extremely Large Telescope (ELT) and guiding instrument and telescope design.

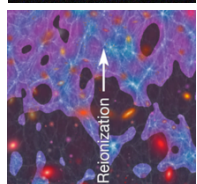
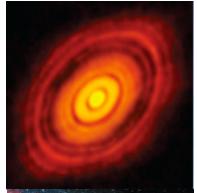
**Solar System:** Stefanie Milam

**Planet Formation and Exoplanets:** Klaus Pontoppidan and Kate Su

**Milky-Way, ISM and Local Volume of Galaxies:** Cara Battersby and Karin Sandstrom

**Galaxy and Blackhole Evolution Over Cosmic Time:** Lee Armus and Alexandra Pope

**First Billion Years:** Joaquin Vieira, Matt Bradford



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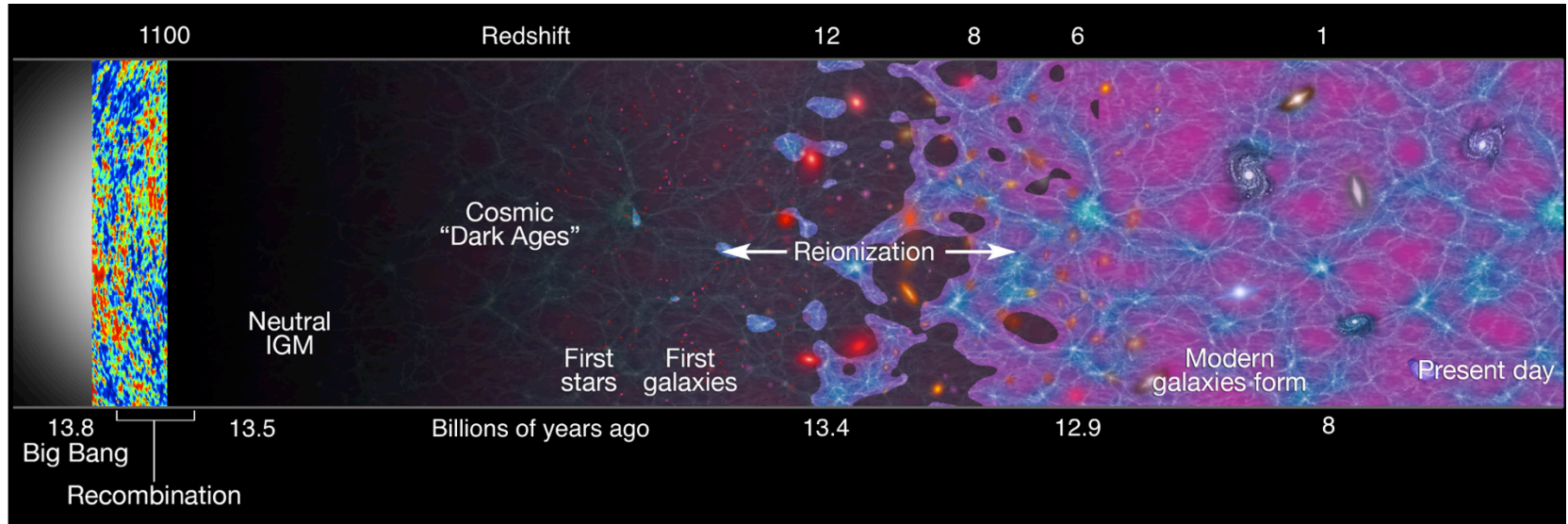
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Science coverage will be broad: highlight some of the goals

- First Billion Years:
  - Protogalaxies
  - Galaxy evolution
- Galaxy and Blackhole Evolution
  - ISM probes for galaxies
  - Rise of metals
- Nearby Galaxies & Milky Way:
  - Polarization
  - Feedback in galaxies
  - Water transport
- Planetary systems: Formation & Exoplanets
  - Dust disks
  - Gas disks
  - Exoplanet atmospheres
- Solar system
  - Small body census
  - Planet IX
  - Isotopes and origin of Earth water



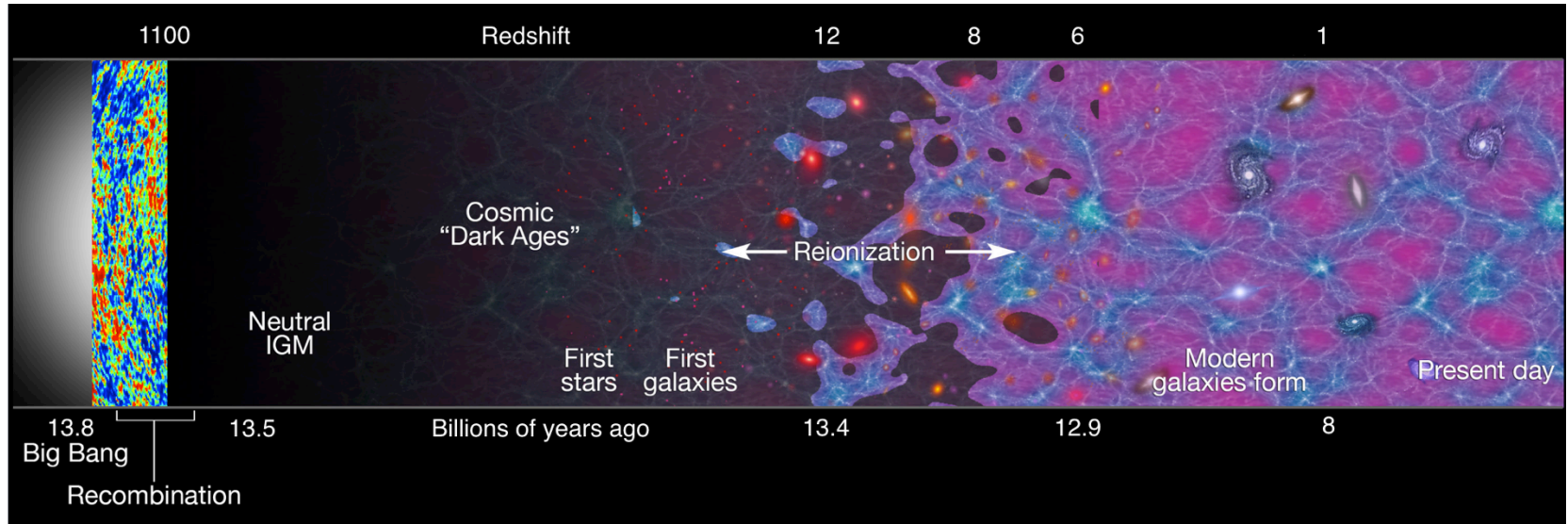
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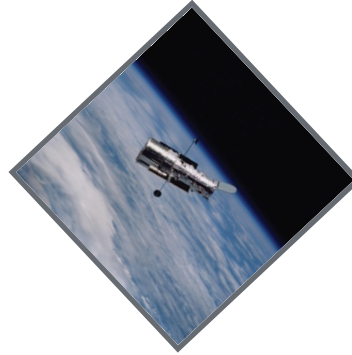
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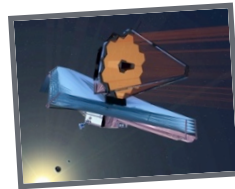
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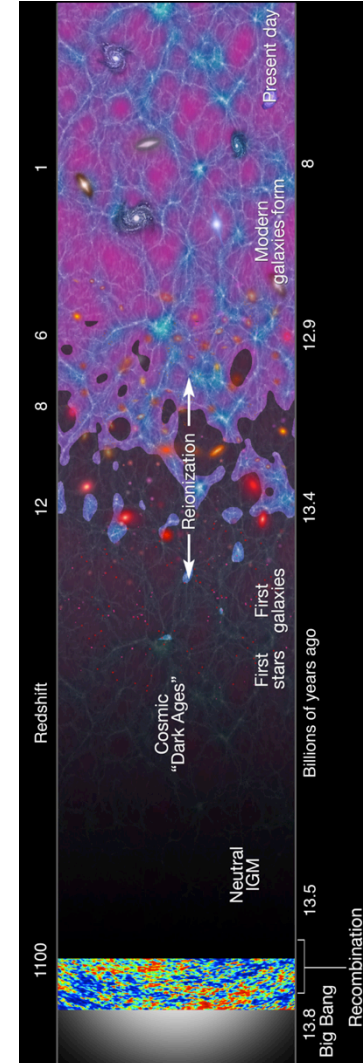
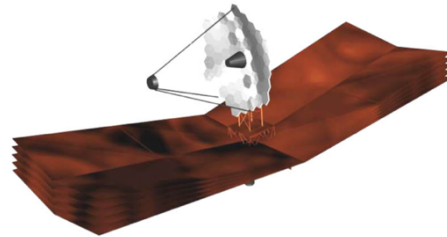
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 1990—2025+  
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 0.1—2.4  $\mu\text{m}$   
 260 K



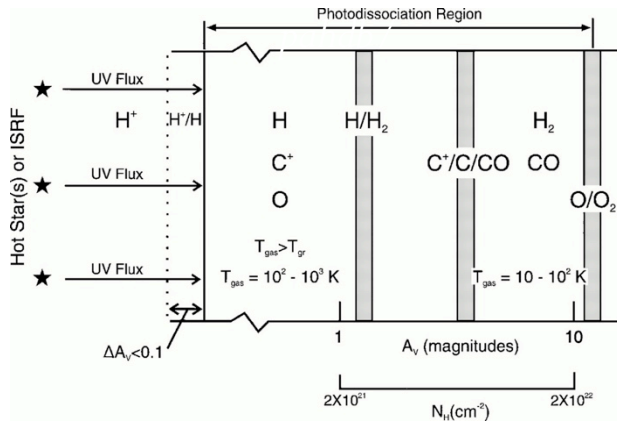
James Webb Space Telescope  
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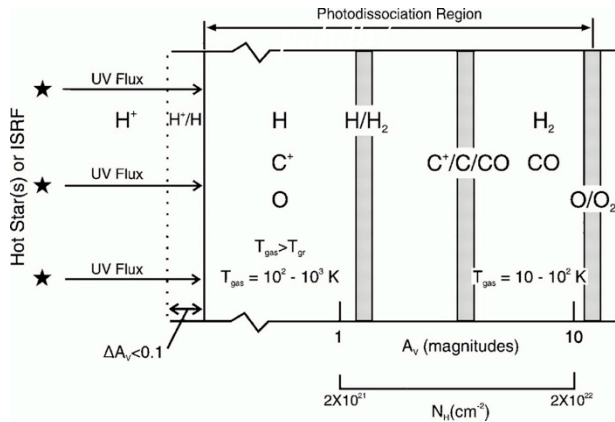
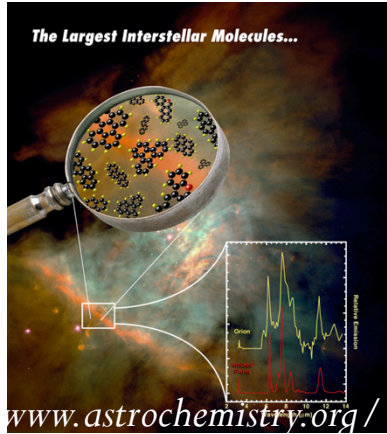
Origins Space Telescope  
 2020 Decadal  
 8-15 m single aperture  
 6—1000  $\mu\text{m}$  (TBD)  
 4.5 K



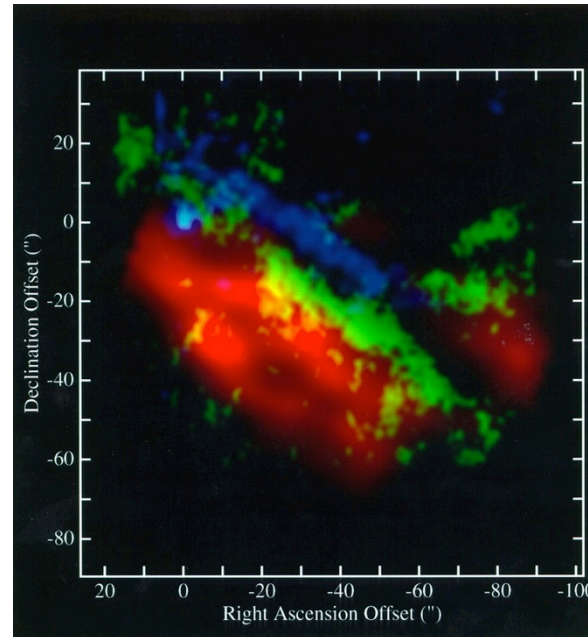
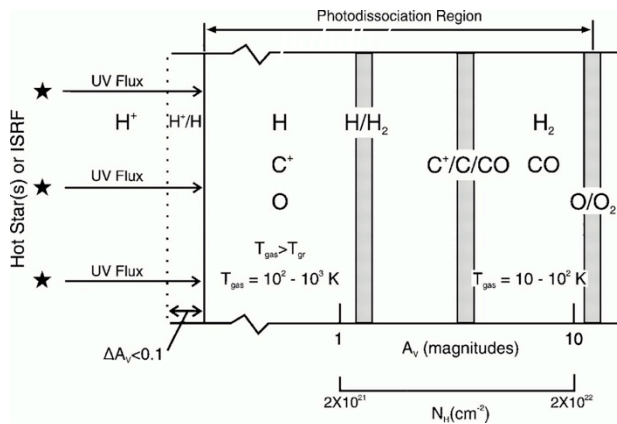
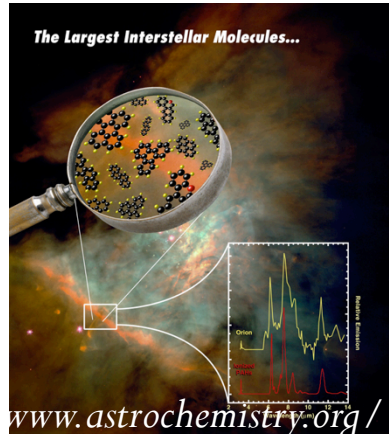
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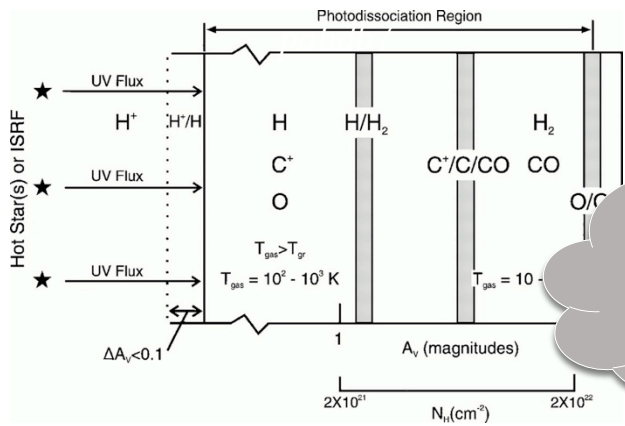
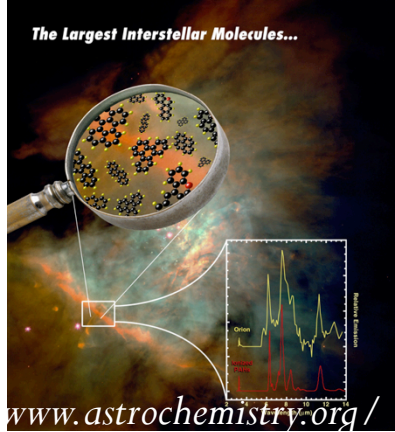
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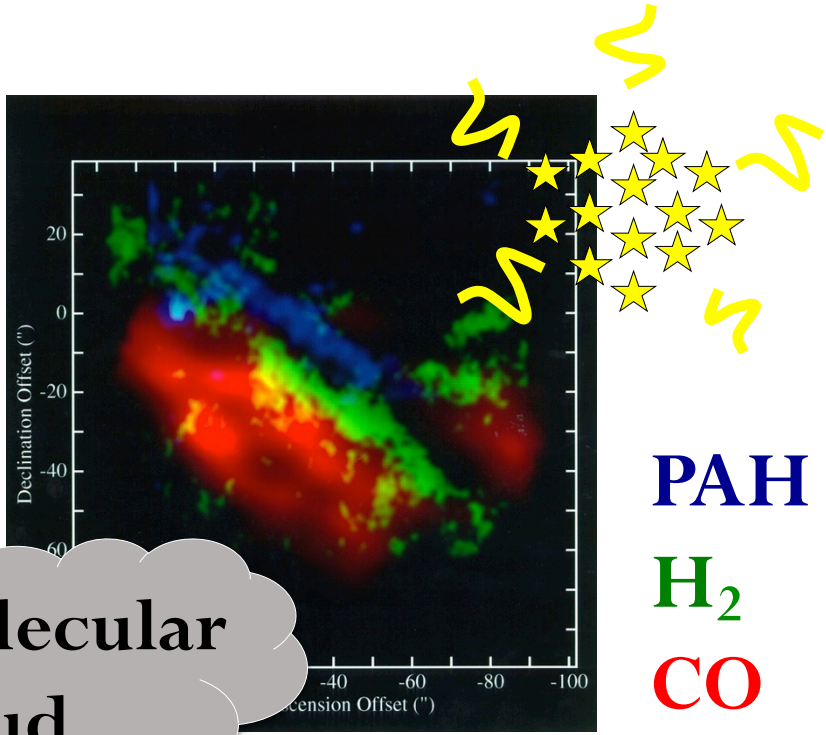
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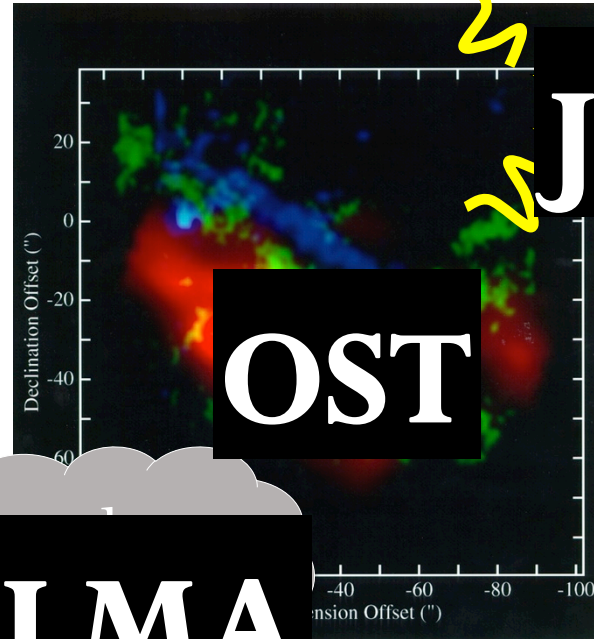
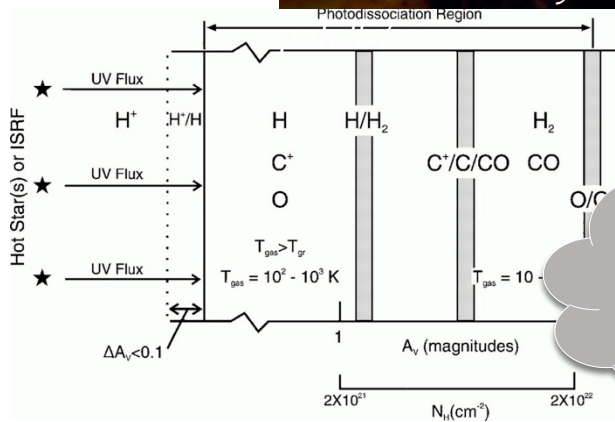
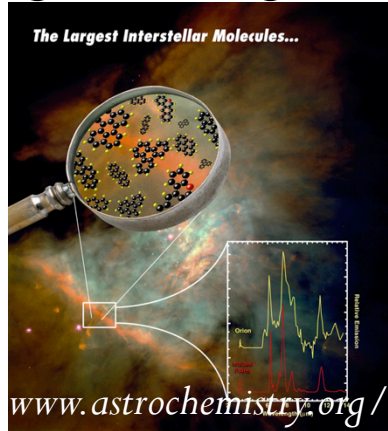


**Molecular cloud**



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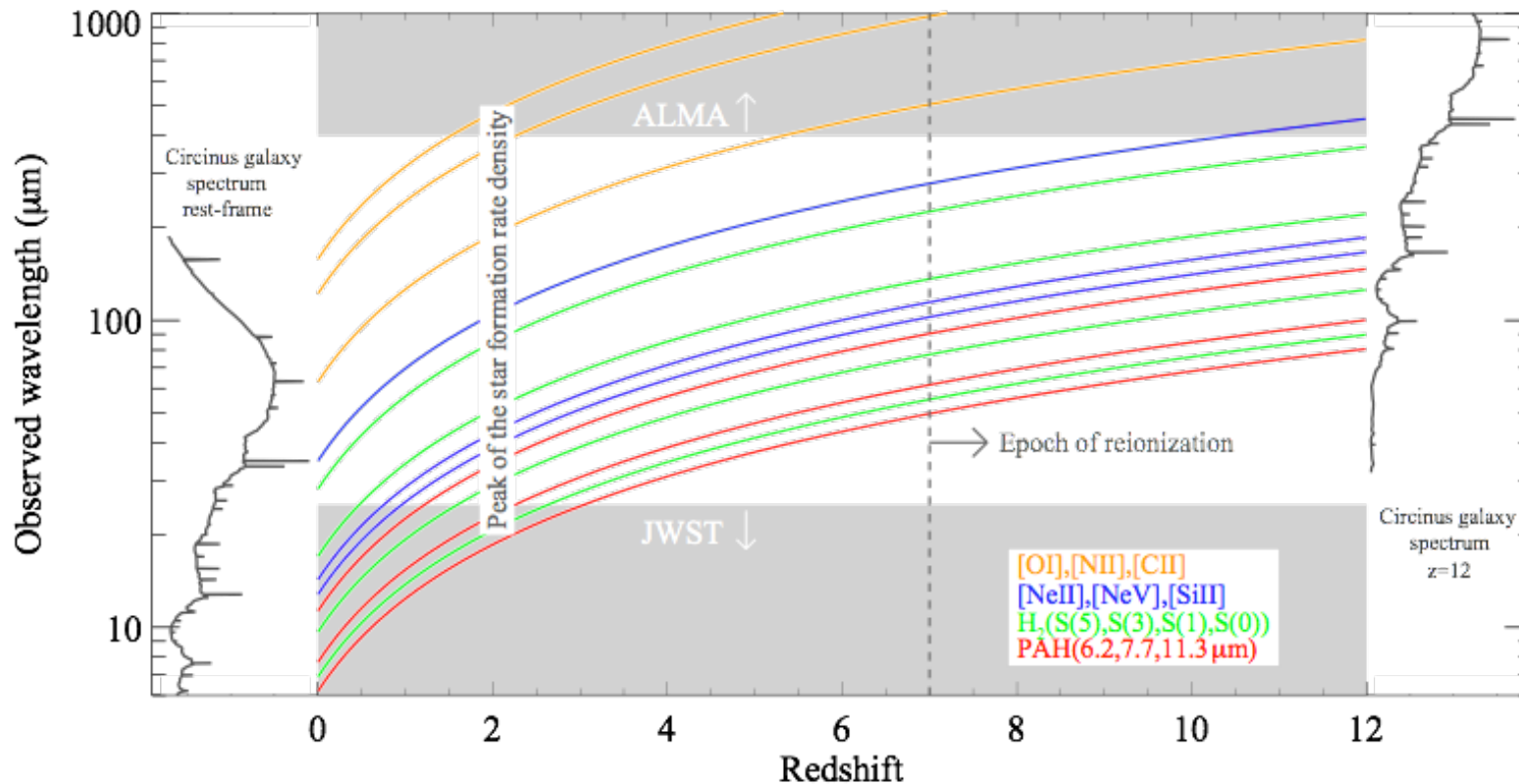
ALMA



## Spectral probes from 10 – 500 $\mu\text{m}$

Species	Wavelength [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	f (M82)	f (Arp220)	Diagnostic Utility
<i>Ionized Gas Fine Structure Lines</i>				
Ne V	24.3			Unambiguously AGN
O IV	25.9, 54.9			Primarily AGN
S IV	10.5	2.1 (-5)		
Ne II	12.3	1.2 (-3)	7.5 (-5)	Probes gas density and
Ne III	15.6, 36.0	2.05 (-4)		UV field hardness in
S III	18.7, 33.5	1.0 (-3)	7.3 (-5)	star formation HII
Ar III	21.83	9.1 (-6)		regions.
O III	51.8, 88.4	1.3 (-3)		
N III	57.3	4.2 (-4)		
N II	122, 205	2.1 (-4)		Diffuse HII regions
<i>Neutral Gas Fine Structure Lines</i>				
Fe II	26.0			Density and temperature probes
Si II	34.8	1.1 (-3)	7.7 (-5)	of photodissociated-neutral
O I	63.1, 145	2.2 (-3)	6.8 (-5) (abs)	gas interface between HII
C II	158	1.6 (-3)	1.3 (-4)	regions and molecular clouds.
<i>Molecular Lines</i>				
H <sub>2</sub>	9.66, 12.3, 17.0, 28.2	2 (-5)	3 (-5)	Coolants of first collapse
CH	149		4 (-5)	Ground state absorption:
OH	34.6, 53.3, 79.1, 119	2 (-6)	2 (-4) (abs)	gives column and abundance.
OH	98.7, 163		5 (-5)	Emission: gas coolants, constrain
H <sub>2</sub> O	73.5, 90, 101, 107, 180		5 (-5)	temperature, density of warm
CO	325, 372, 434, 520	3 (-6)	1 (-5)	(50K < T < 500 K) mol. gas

OST provides the crucial link in wavelength coverage between JWST and ALMA to complete our view of the evolution of the universe.



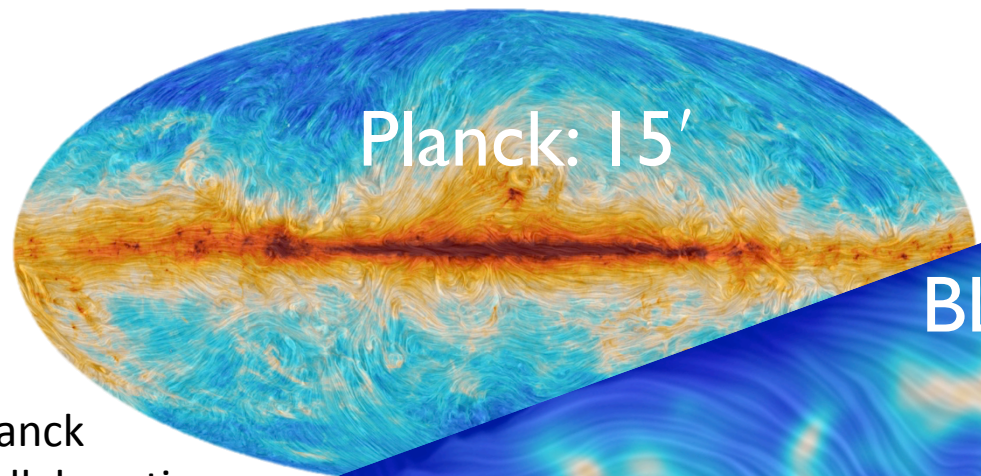
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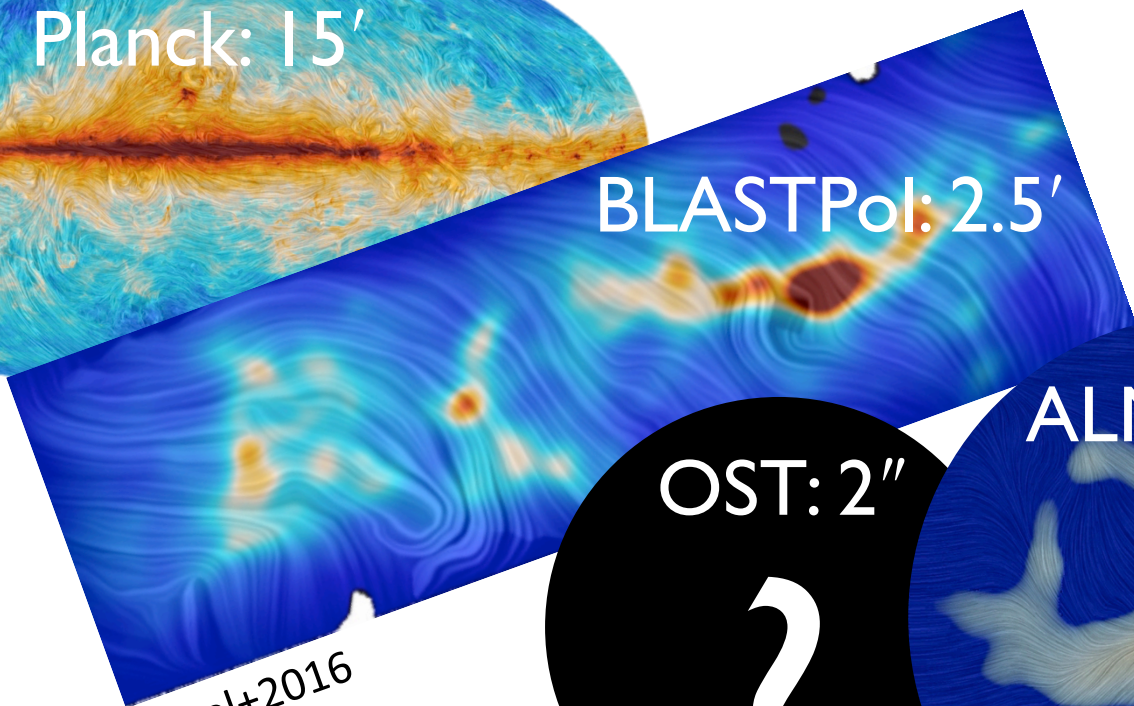
# Magnetic fields and turbulence



Planck: 15'

Planck  
Collaboration

For joint analysis of  
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Heyer+2008



BLASTPol: 2.5'

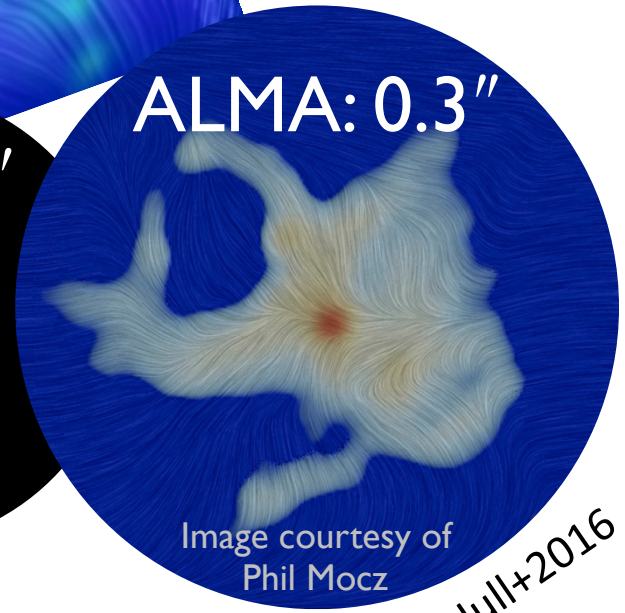
Fissel+2016

Higher resolution  
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OST: 2"

Hull & Roslowsky



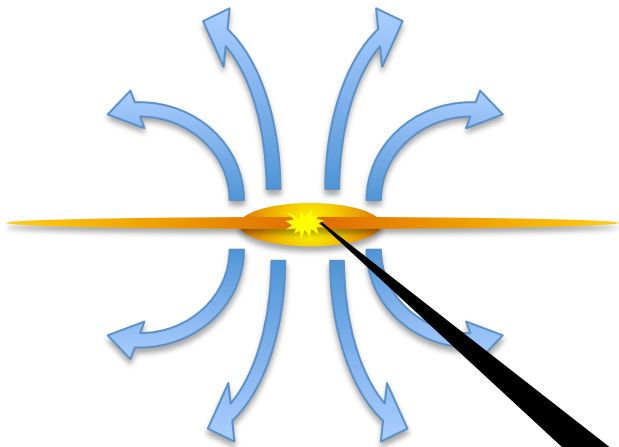
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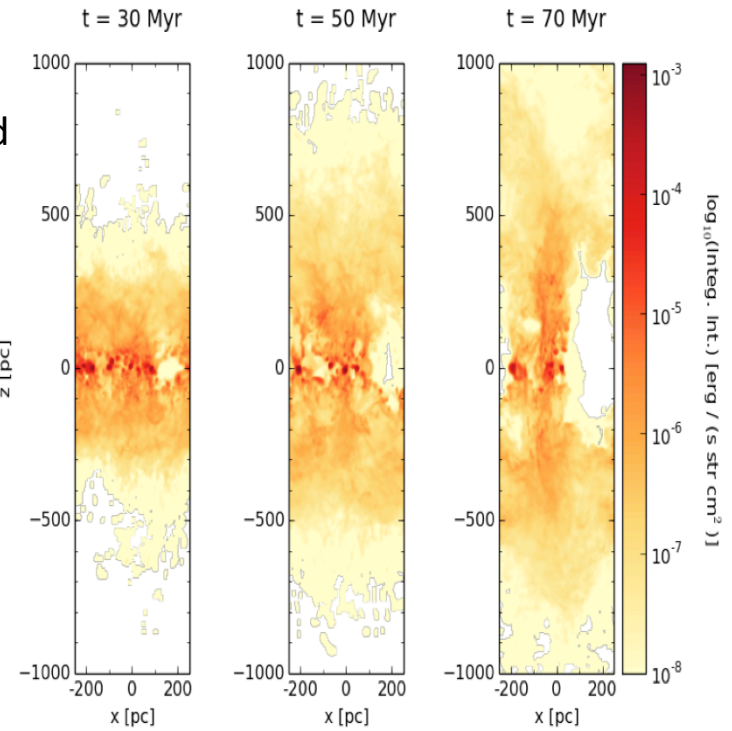
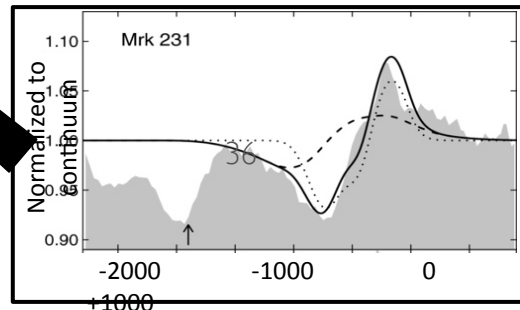
Hull+2016

# Galaxy Feedback Mechanisms at $z < 1$

**Science Goal:** Characterize the mechanisms of feedback from AGN/star formation across the spectrum of galaxy masses and types and quantify the amount of material recycled/expelled from galaxies at  $z < 1$ .



Mrk 231  
Sturm et al. (2011)  
OH P-Cygni profiles



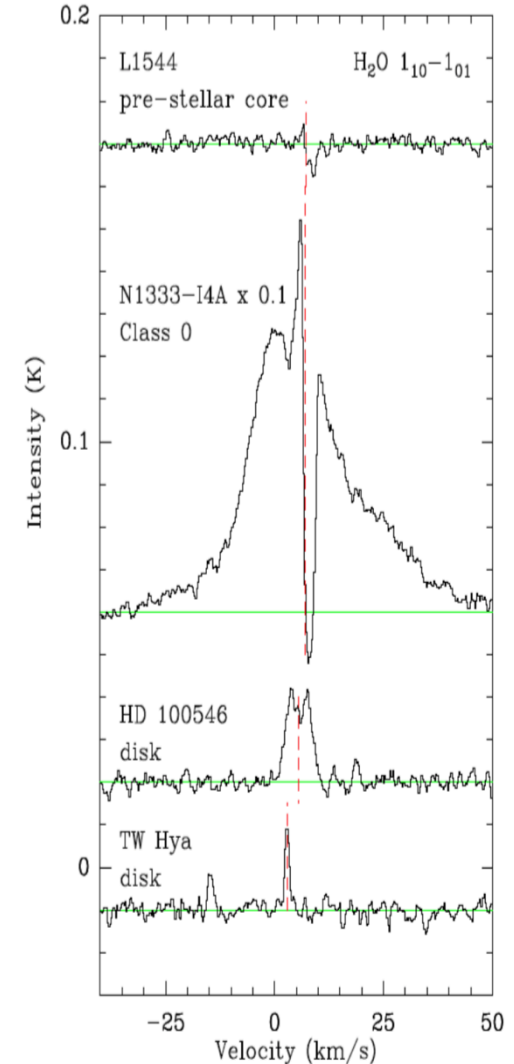
Extrplanar [CII]  
Franeck et al. in prep., Walch et al. (2015)  
Simulations of SF-driven winds

Bolatto

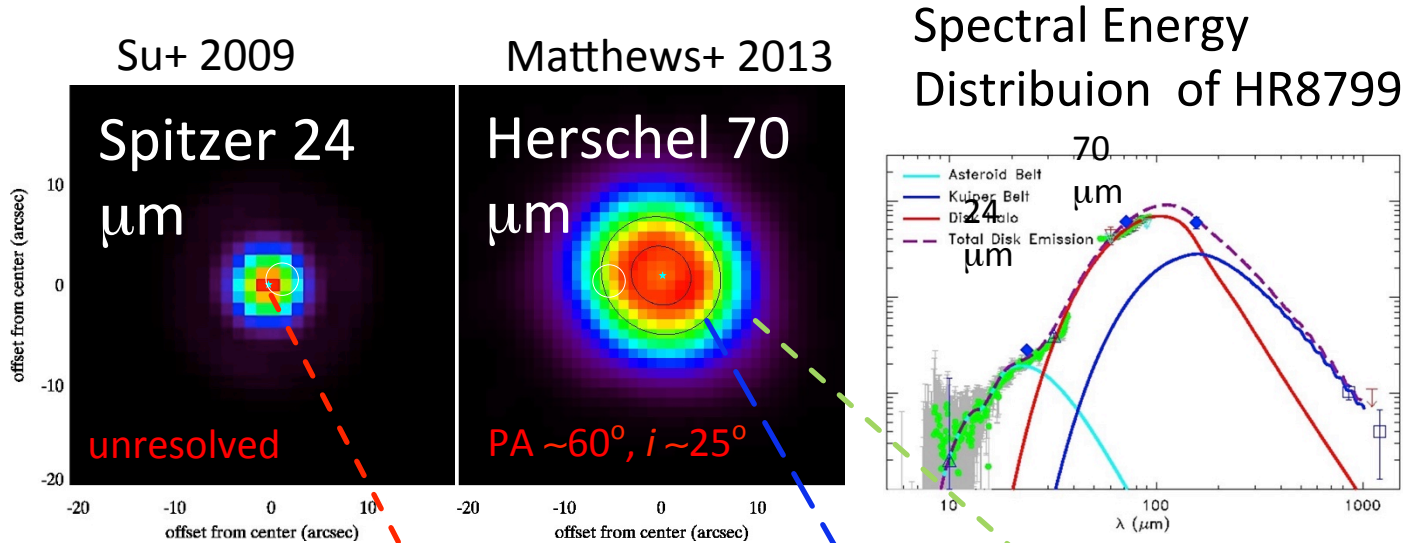
## Water Transport to Terrestrial Planetary Zone

**Science Goal:** Observe gas-phase water in interstellar clouds and dense star-forming cores to probe critical processes related to formation and transport of water to the terrestrial planet zone, as a key input to habitability.

P. Goldsmith

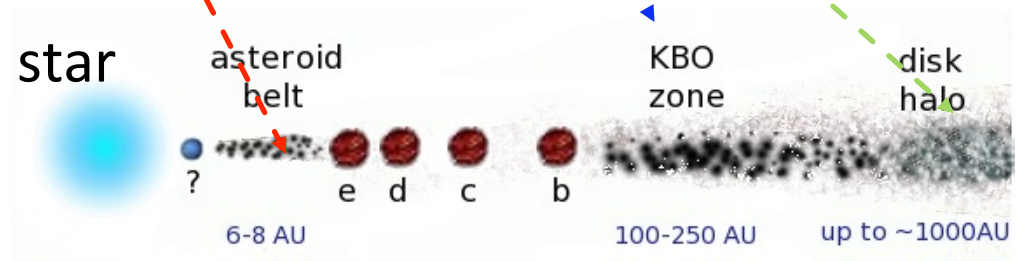


# Debris Disks and Giant Planets



Su et al. 2009

*detect Oort clouds around nearby stars*



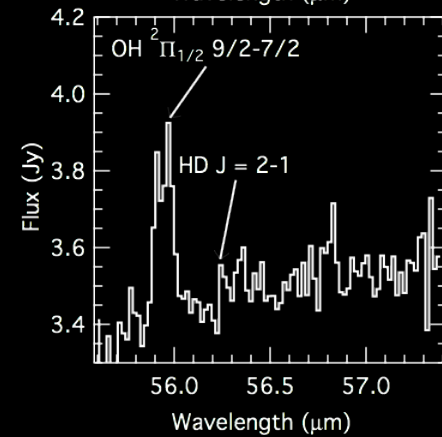
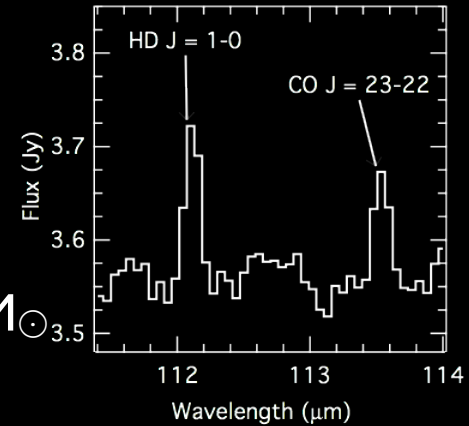
Marios+2008, 2010

WHAT ARE PROTOPLANETARY DISK GAS MASSES?

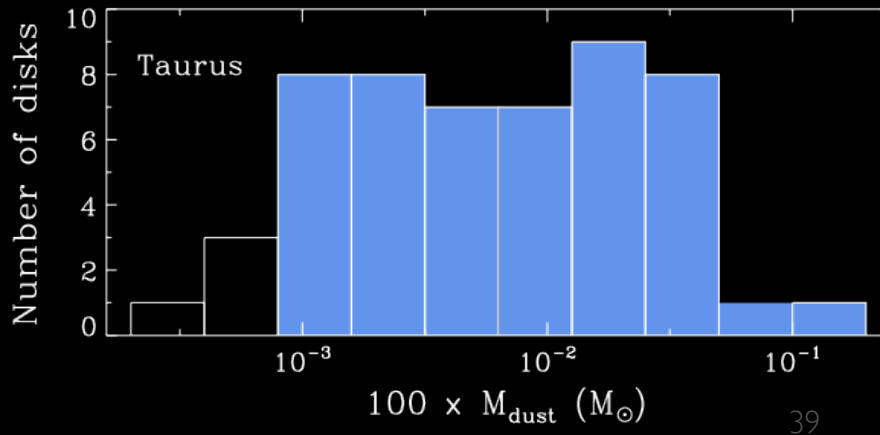
- ➔ HD is a million times more emissive than H<sub>2</sub> at T ~ 20 K.
- ➔ Atomic D/H ratio inside the local bubble is well characterized (~1.5 × 10<sup>-5</sup>)
- ➔ HD will follow H<sub>2</sub> in the gas

➔ TW Hya disk mass

$$M_{\text{disk}} \sim 0.05 M_{\odot}$$

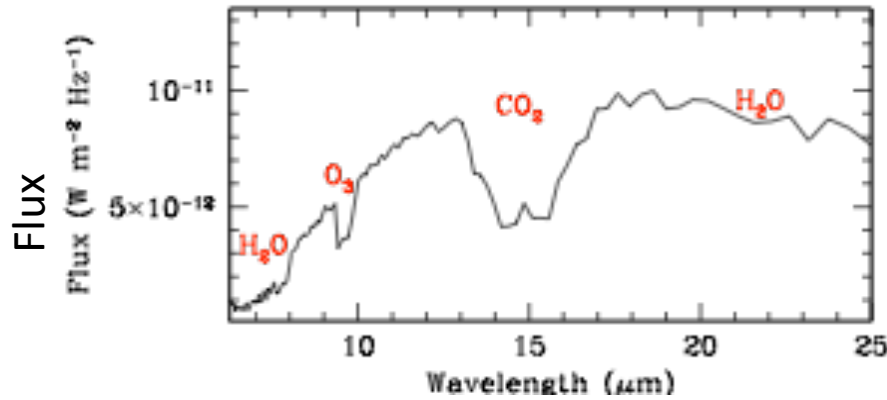


Williams and Cieza 2011

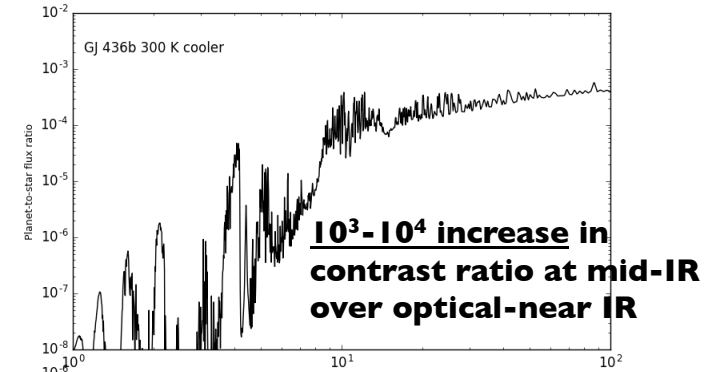


Bergin+ 2013

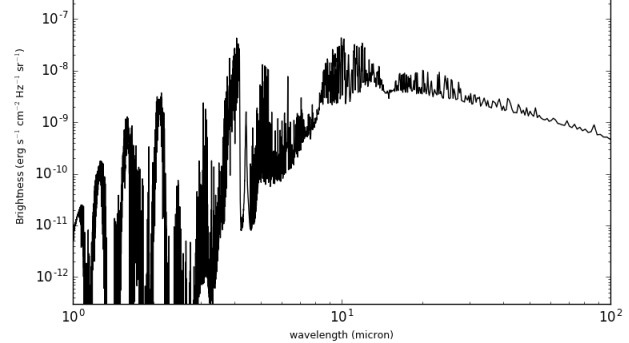
POTENTIAL FOR TRANSITING HABITABLE PLANETS AROUND M DWARFS?



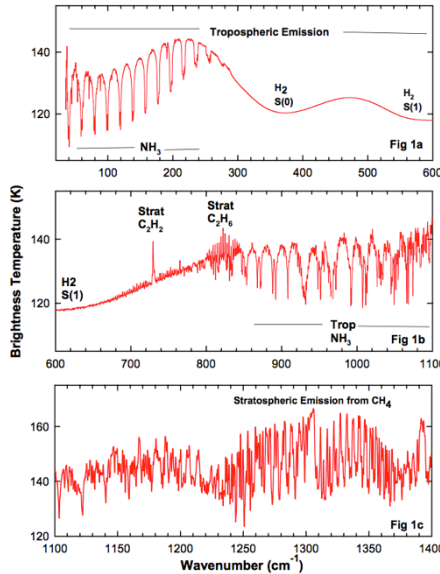
Planet-to-star ratio



Brightness



Brightness Temp. (K)

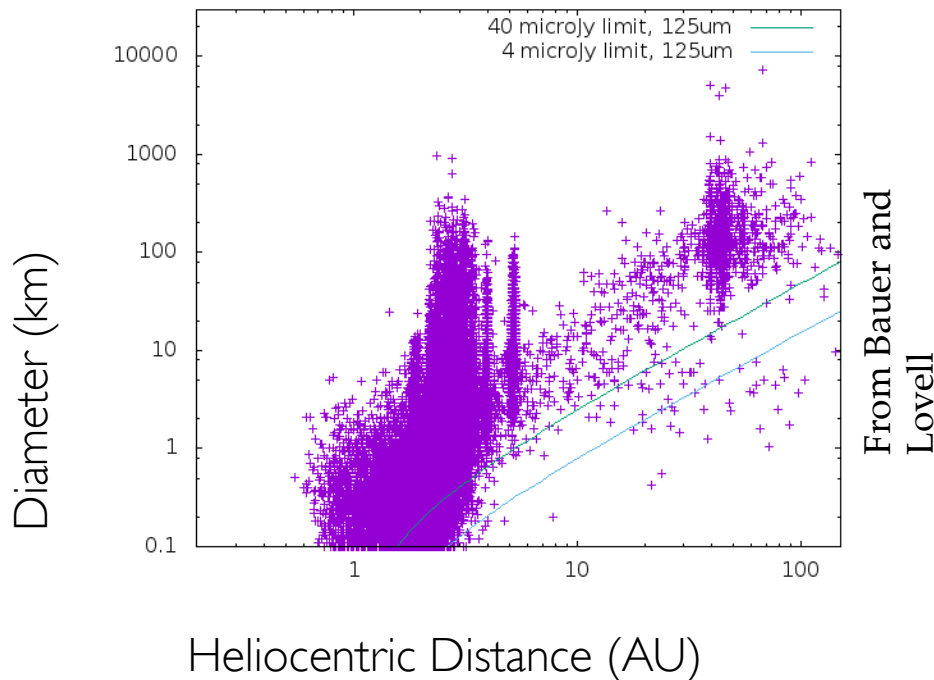


Jupiters around M-dwarf stars via transits.  
Direct imaging of Jupiters at Jupiter distances with a coronagraph.



# REVEALING THE SOLAR SYSTEM IN THE FAR-IR

## History and Evolution of the Solar System (SS):

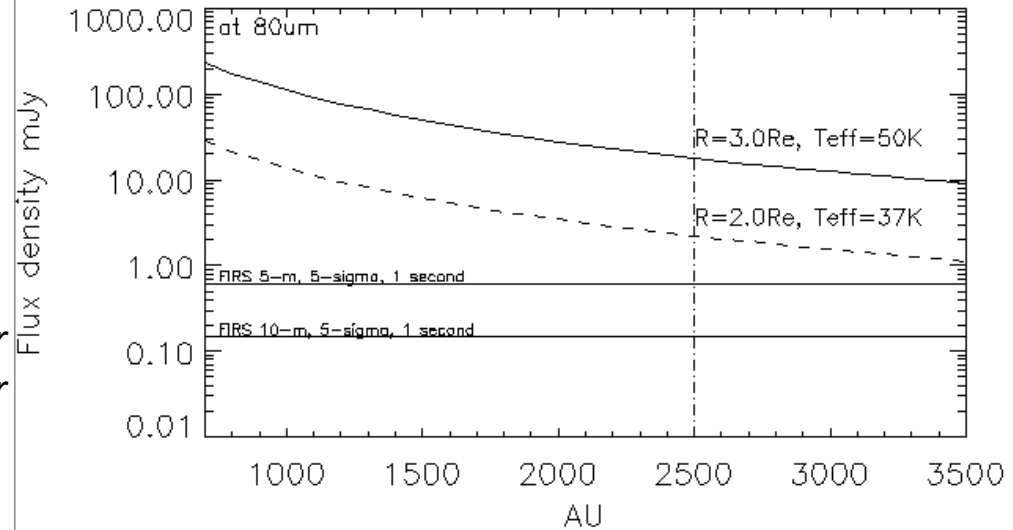


- Measure the thermal emission (via Far-IR imaging) of small bodies in outer SS – 1000's of targets
- Moving Targets Not limited by confusion.

# Find Planet IX

- **Goal:** *Do we really understand our outer backyard?: Find Planet Nine (from Outer Space!)*

Wright/Milam

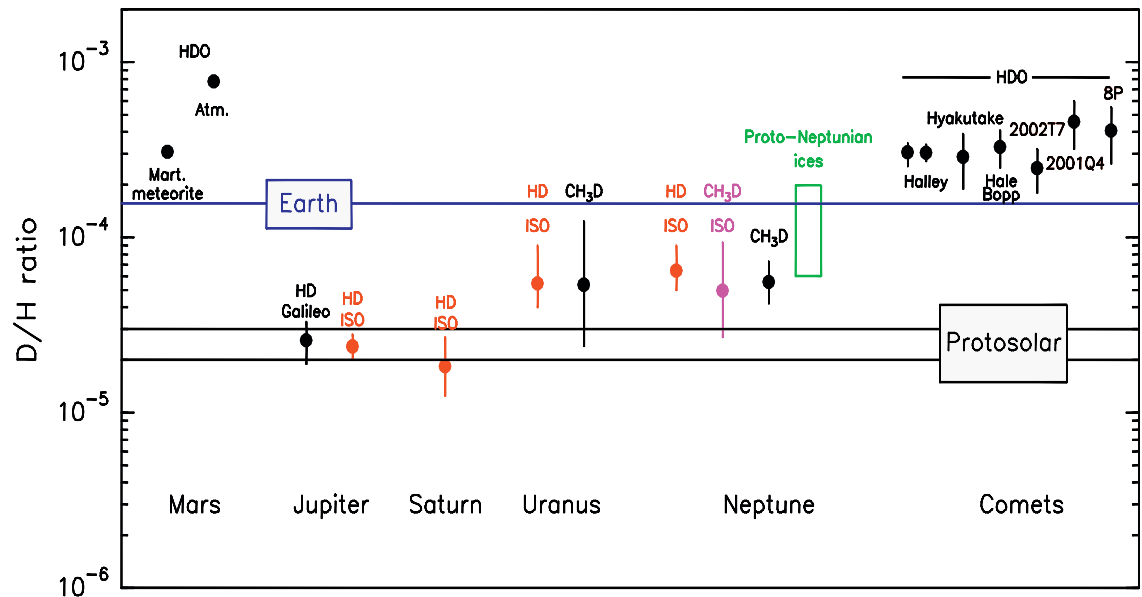


Even a 2 Earth Radius Planet 9, with  $T_{\text{eff}}=37\text{K}$  has  $\sim 4$  mJy flux at 80um is detectable with a 5 meter OST architecture. OST 5 meter (10 meter), 5-sigma, 1second sensitivity at 80um as 0.6 (0.15) mJy.

## Planetary Origins a'nd Evolution of the Solar System

- Goal:** *To measure accurate isotopic ratios and abundances of trace gases, to constrain models and inform understanding of solar system origin and evolution.*

Milam



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