

# Transiting Exoplanet Targets for JWST Expected from the TESS Mission

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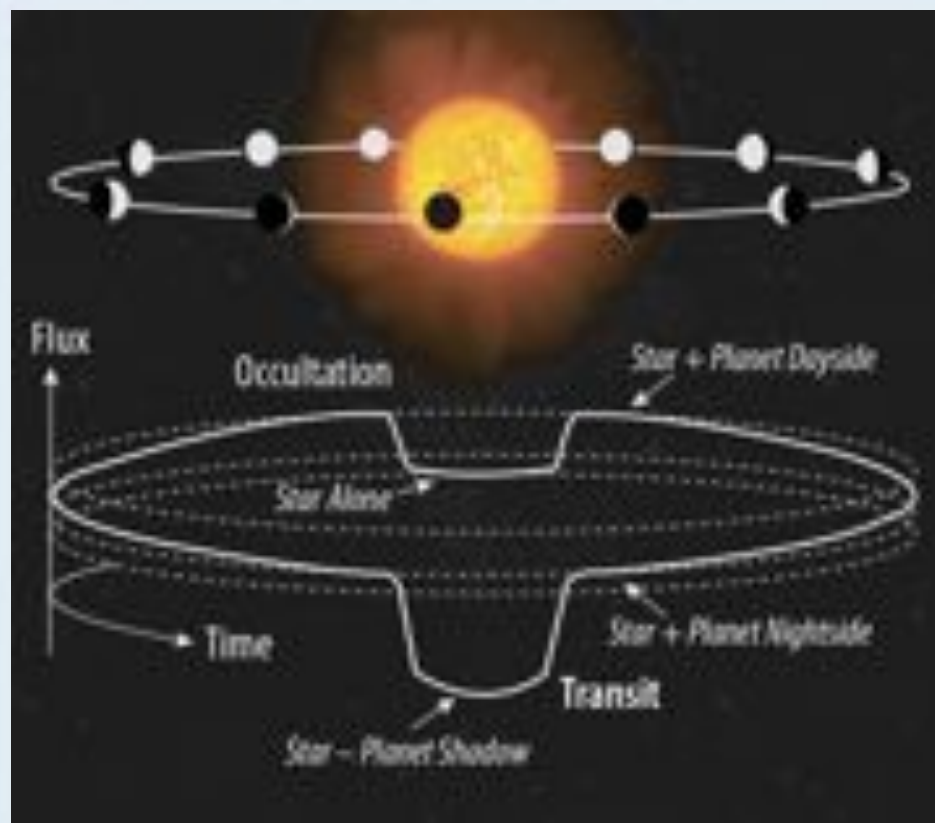
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Contributors include: SAO, MPIA-Germany, Las Cumbres Observatory, Geneva Observatory, OHP-France, University of Florida, Aarhus University-Denmark, Harvard College Observatory, STScI, and Vanderbilt University. There are no mission hardware contributions.

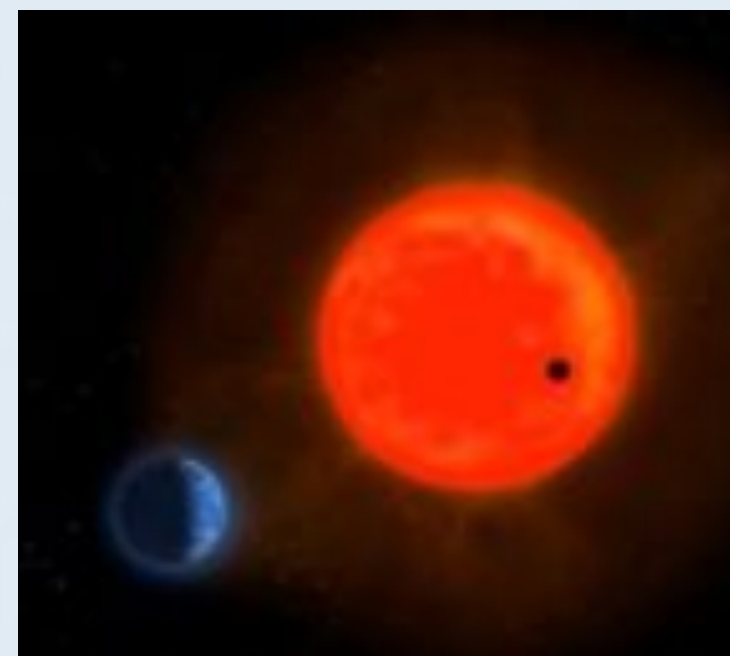


- ◆ **Primary Goal:** Discover Transiting Earths and Super-Earths Orbiting Bright, Nearby Stars
  - *Rocky Planets & Water Worlds*
  - *Habitable Planets*
- ◆ Discover the “Best” ~1000 **Small** Exoplanets
  - “Best” Means “Readily Characterizable”
    - *Bright Host Stars*
    - *Measurable Mass & Atmospheric Properties*
  - *Present: Only 2 small transiting exoplanets orbiting bright hosts are known*

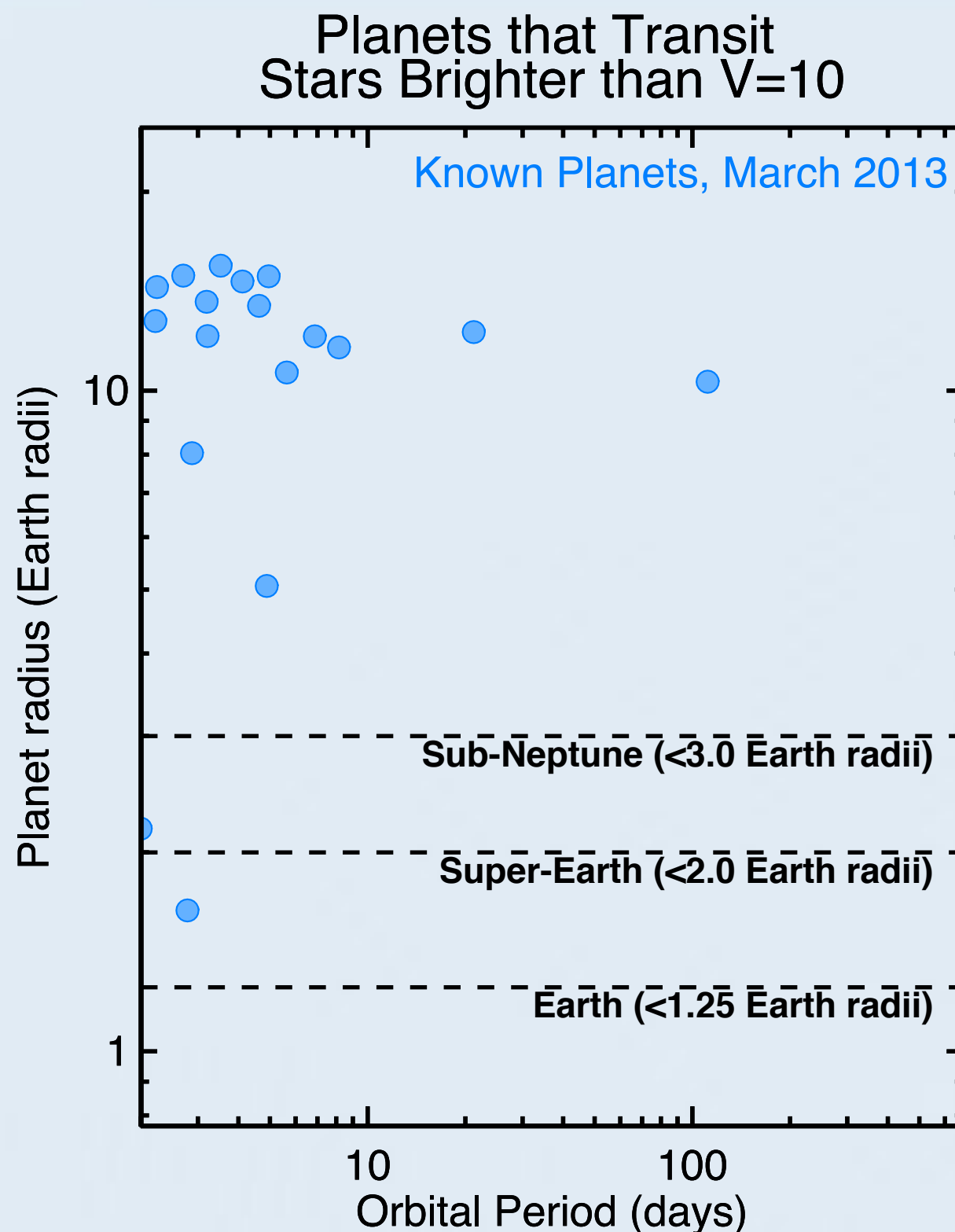
## ◆ Large Area Surveys of Bright Stars

- *F, G, K dwarfs: +4 to +12 magnitude*
- *M dwarfs known within ~60 parsecs*
- *>200,000 target stars in two years*

***Launch in August 2017***



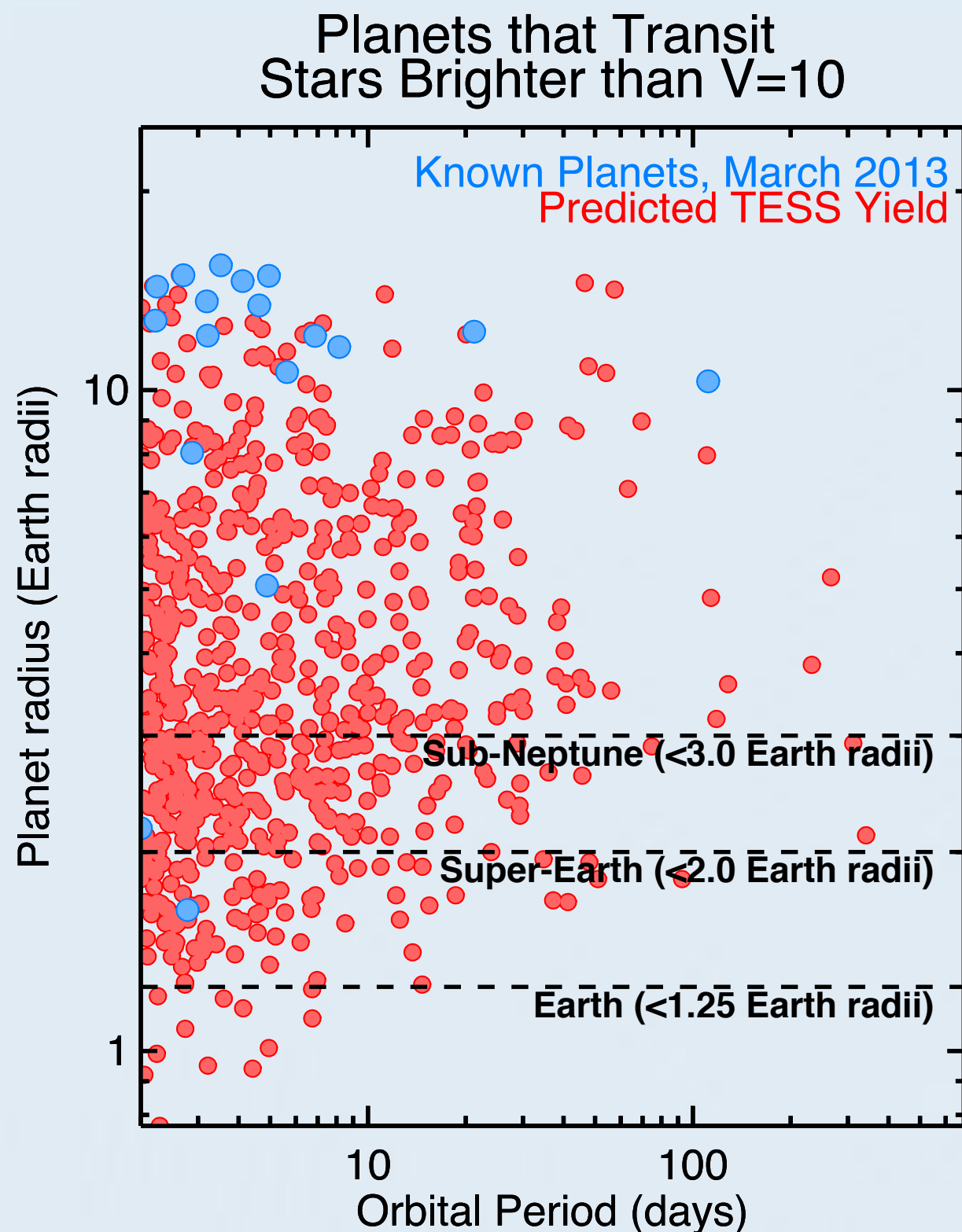
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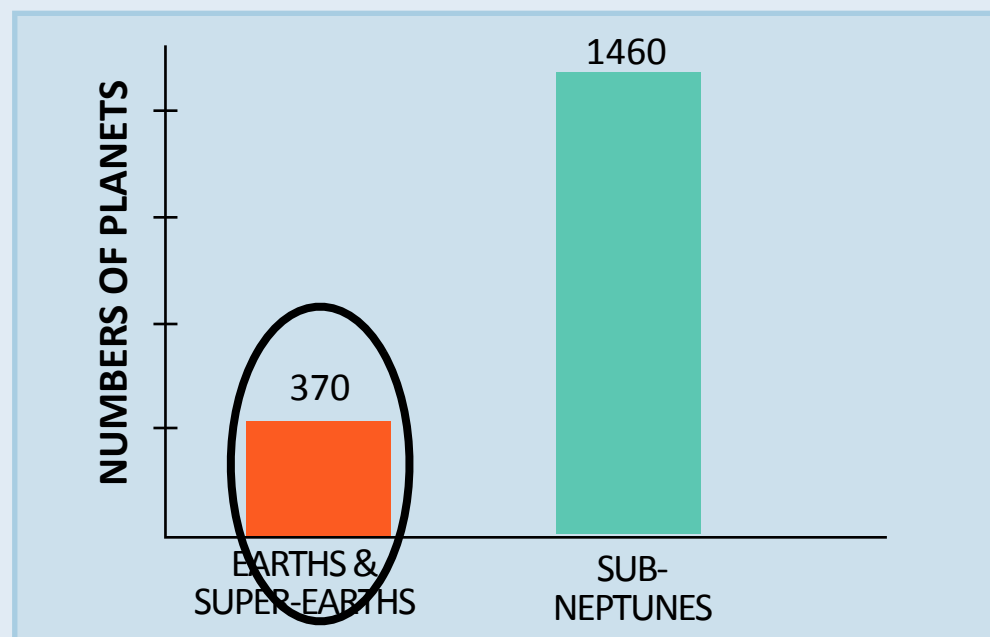
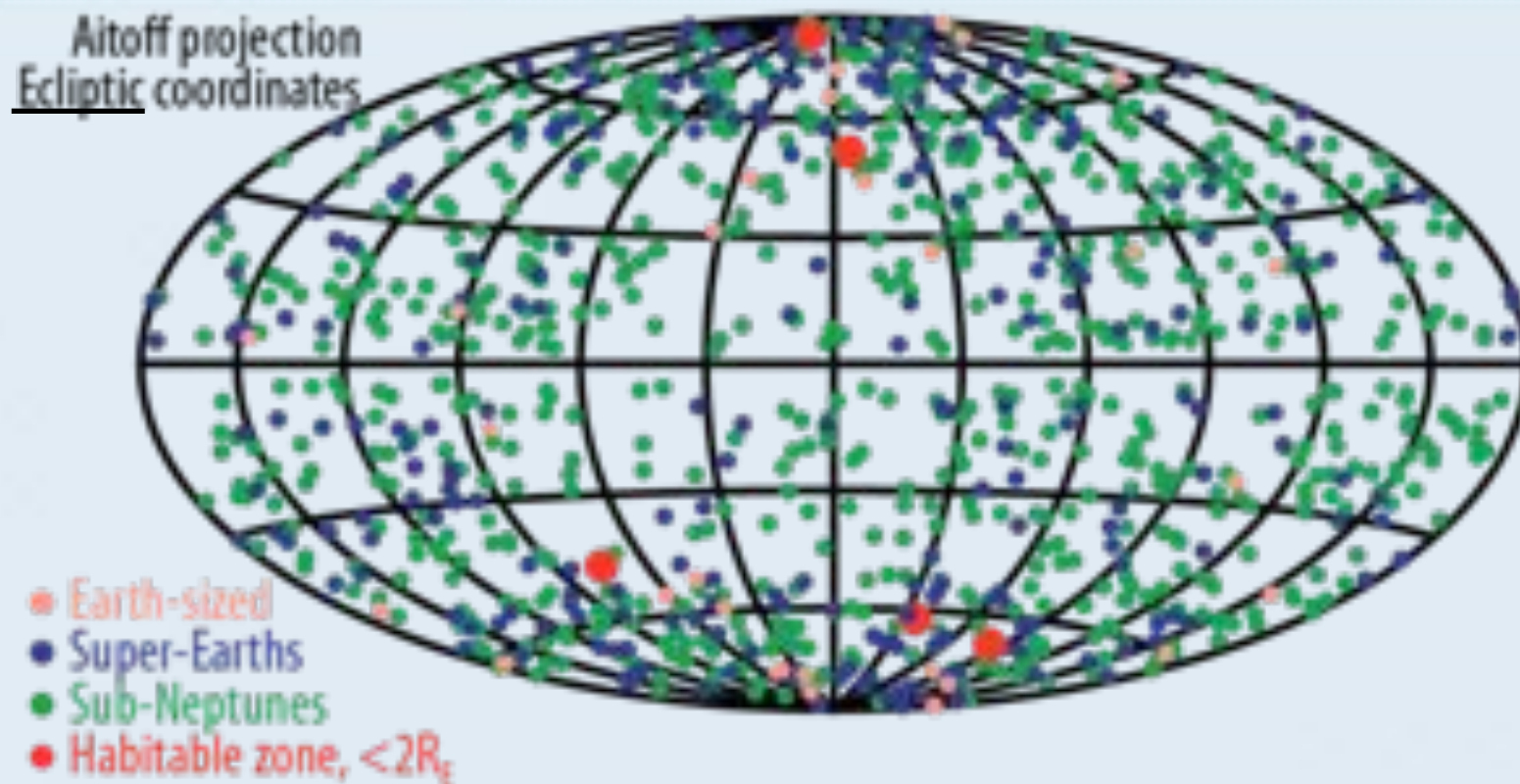


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**TESS Will Discover the Earths and Super-Earths Transiting the Brightest & Nearest Stars**



# Predicted Science Yield from TESS Mission

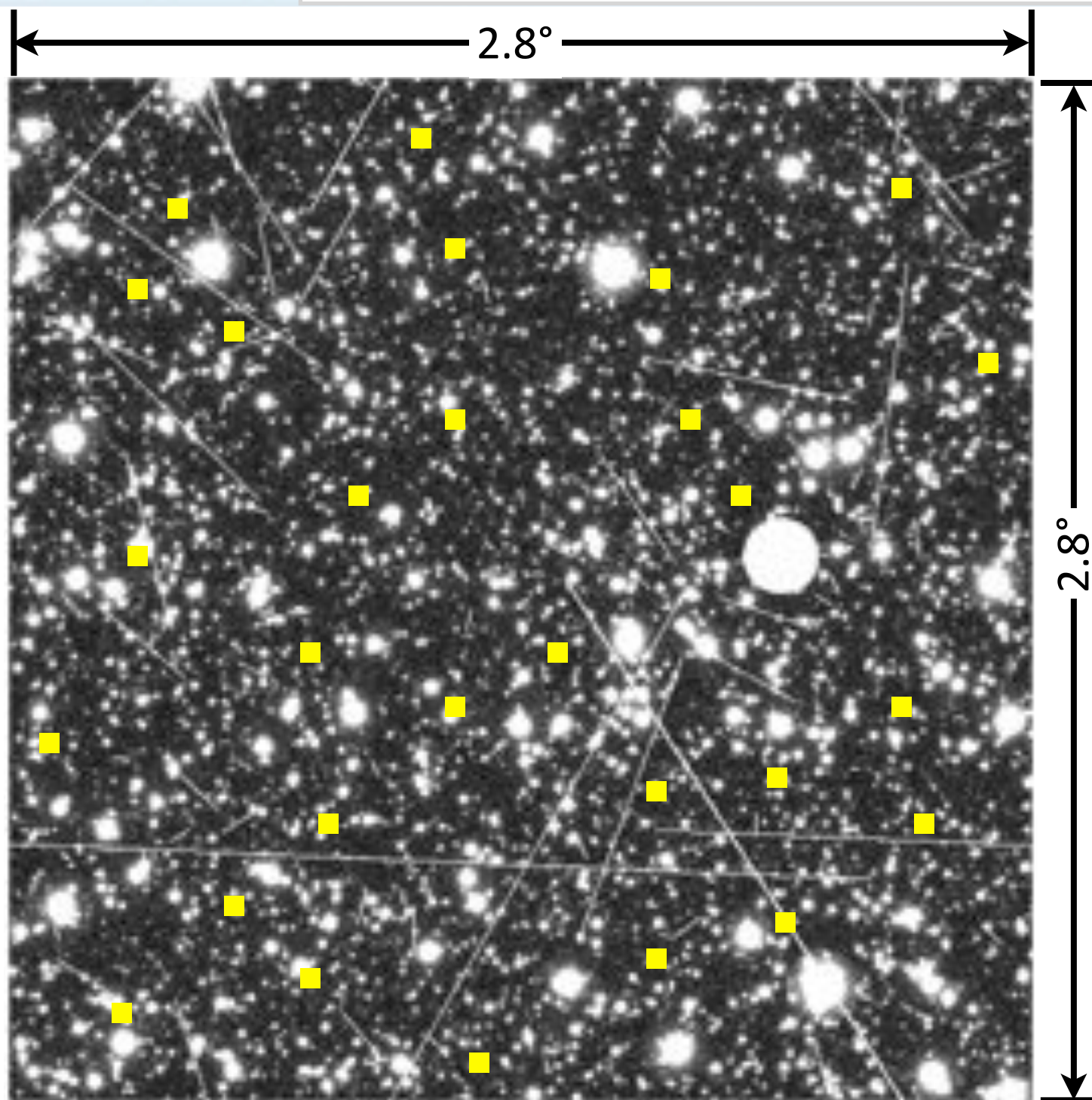


**TESS Will Discover ~300 Earths & Super-Earths**



# Simulated ½ Hour Stacked Full Frame TESS Image

■ = Targeted 10x10 “Postage Stamps”



## Definition:

Full Frame Image = FFI = 100% of FOV  
cf: 10x10 “postage stamps” = 2% of FOV

## FFI Stack:

900 TESS images @ 2s/integration

## Portion of Image Stack Shown:

= 7.8 deg<sup>2</sup> out of 570 deg<sup>2</sup>/camera  
= 0.34% of instantaneous TESS FOV

Limiting Mag in I Band	S/N Ratio Achieved by TESS in 30 minutes	# Stars* in 40,000 deg
12	1350	≈
13	600	≈
14	250	≈

\*R band mean star counts from Bahcall & Soneira (1980) re-scaled to I band assuming R-I = +1.0 mag, appropriate for early M stars.

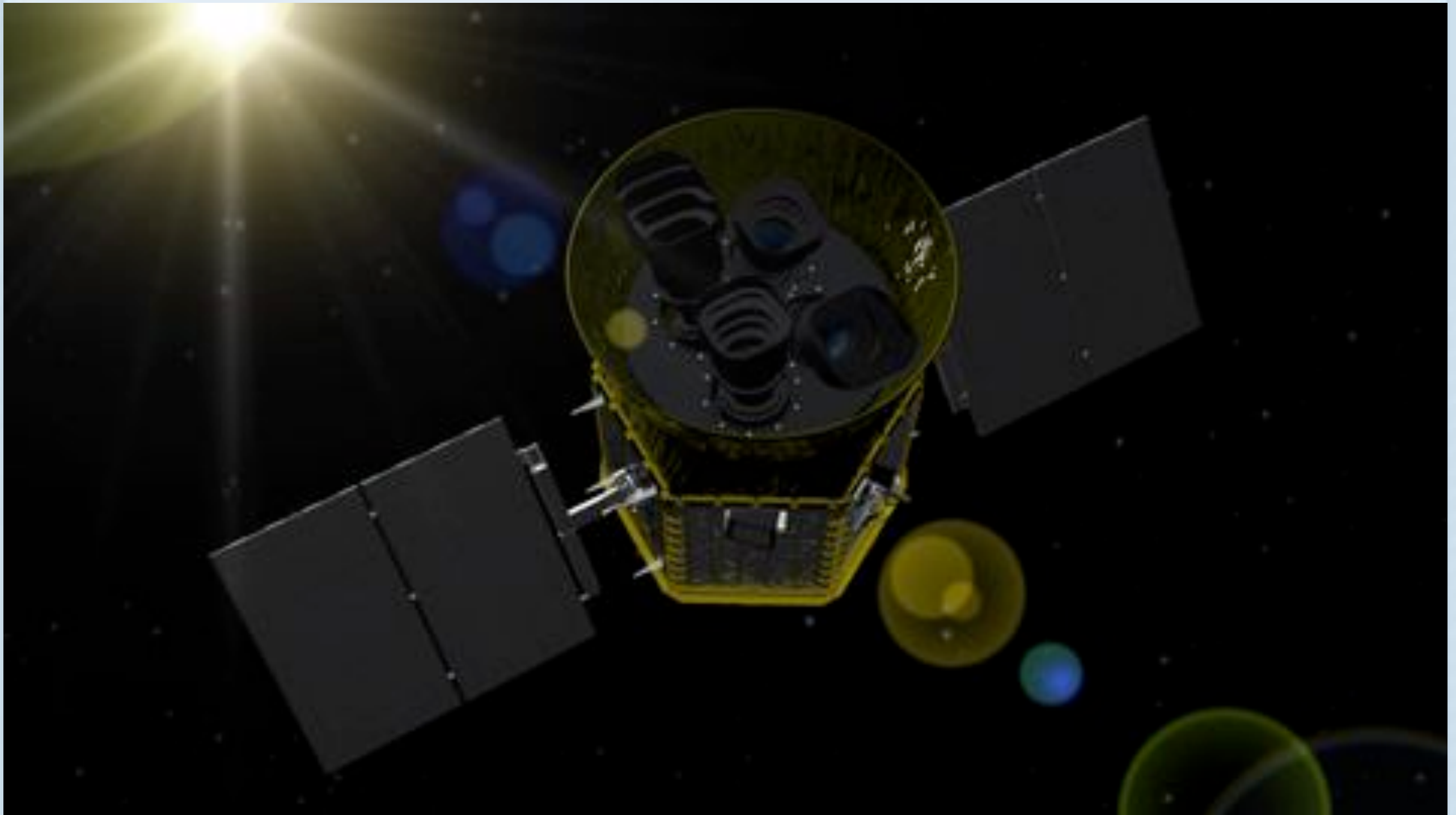
**TESS Can Provide FFI's at Kepler's 30 Minute Cadence**



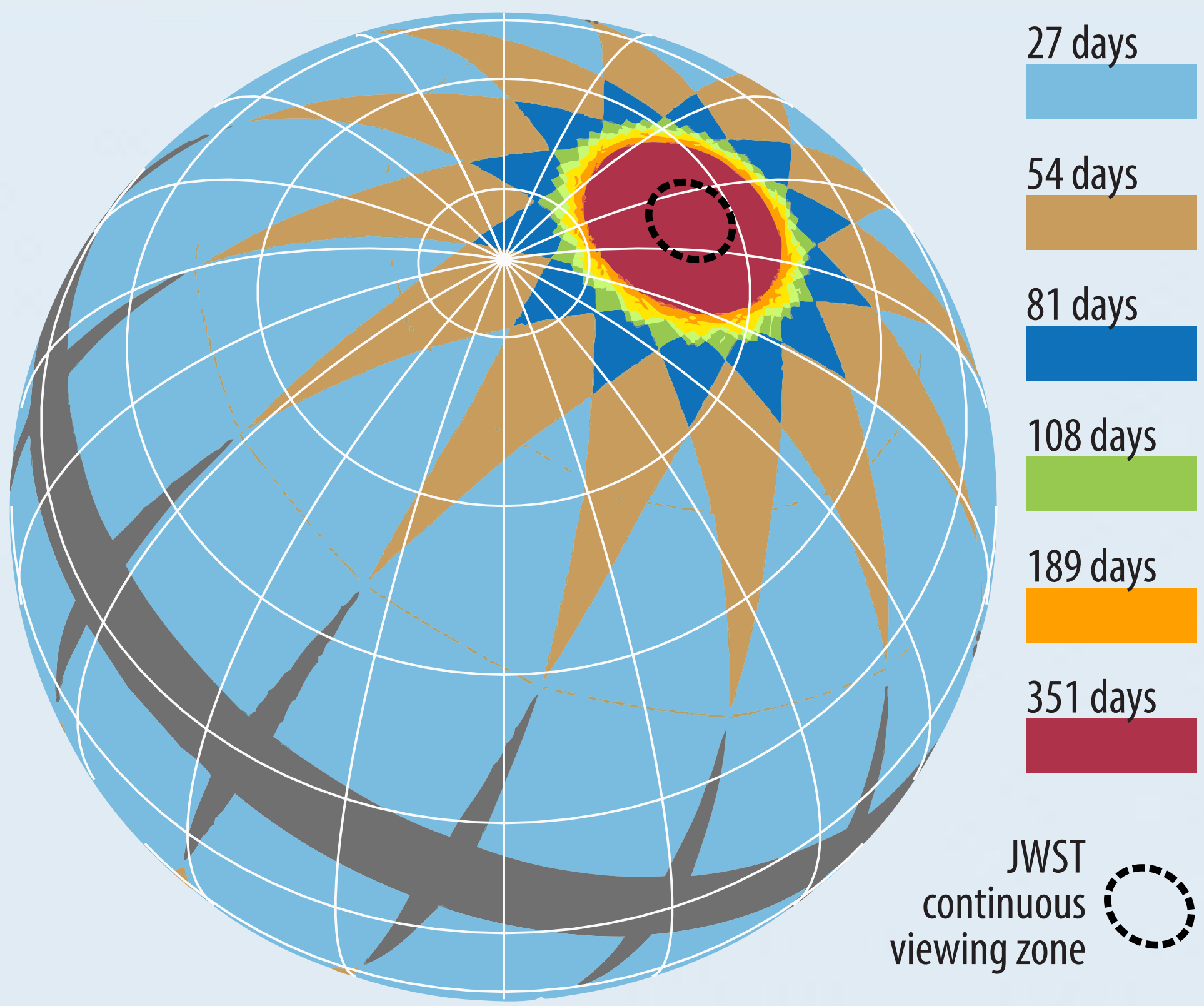






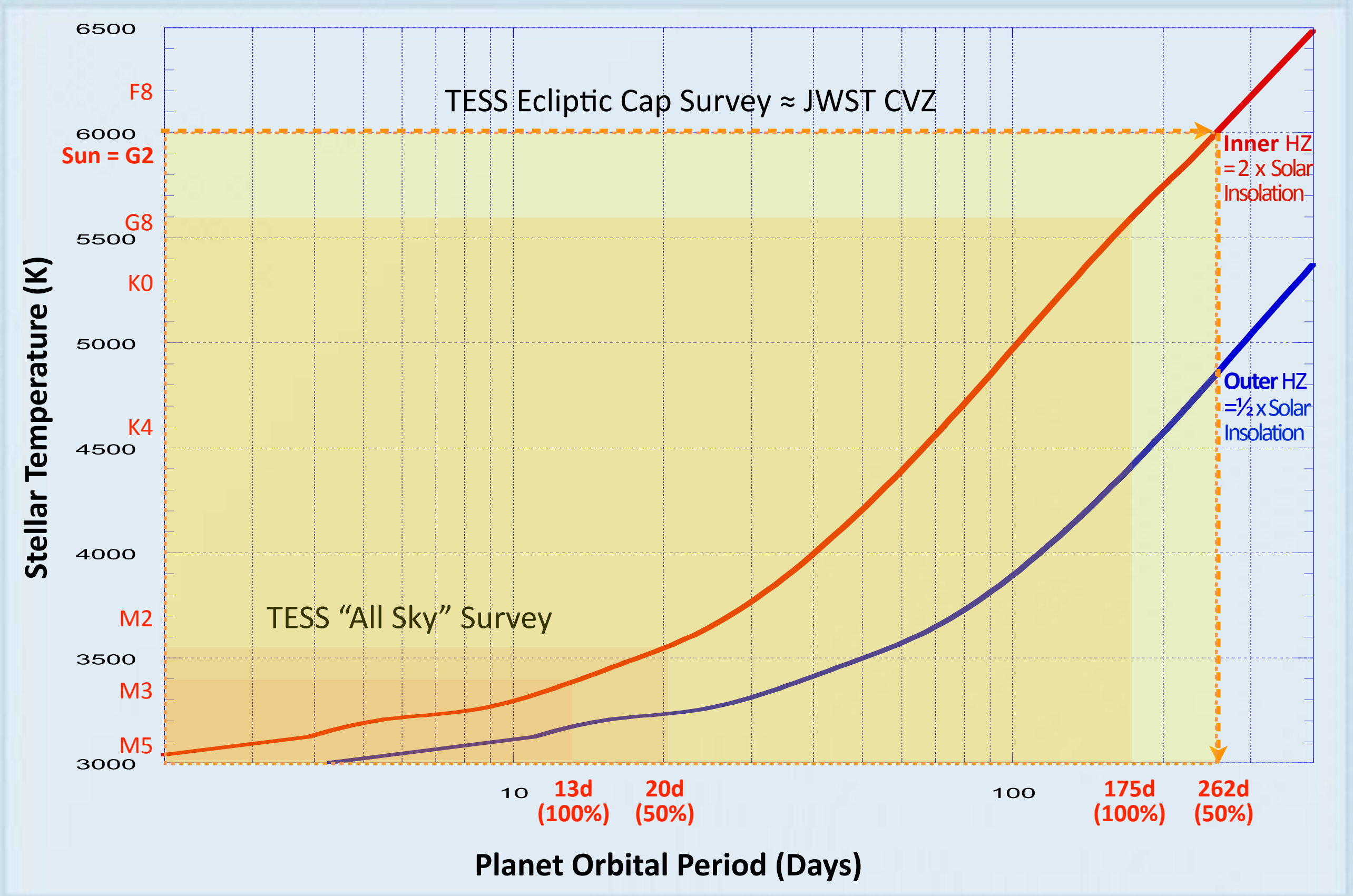


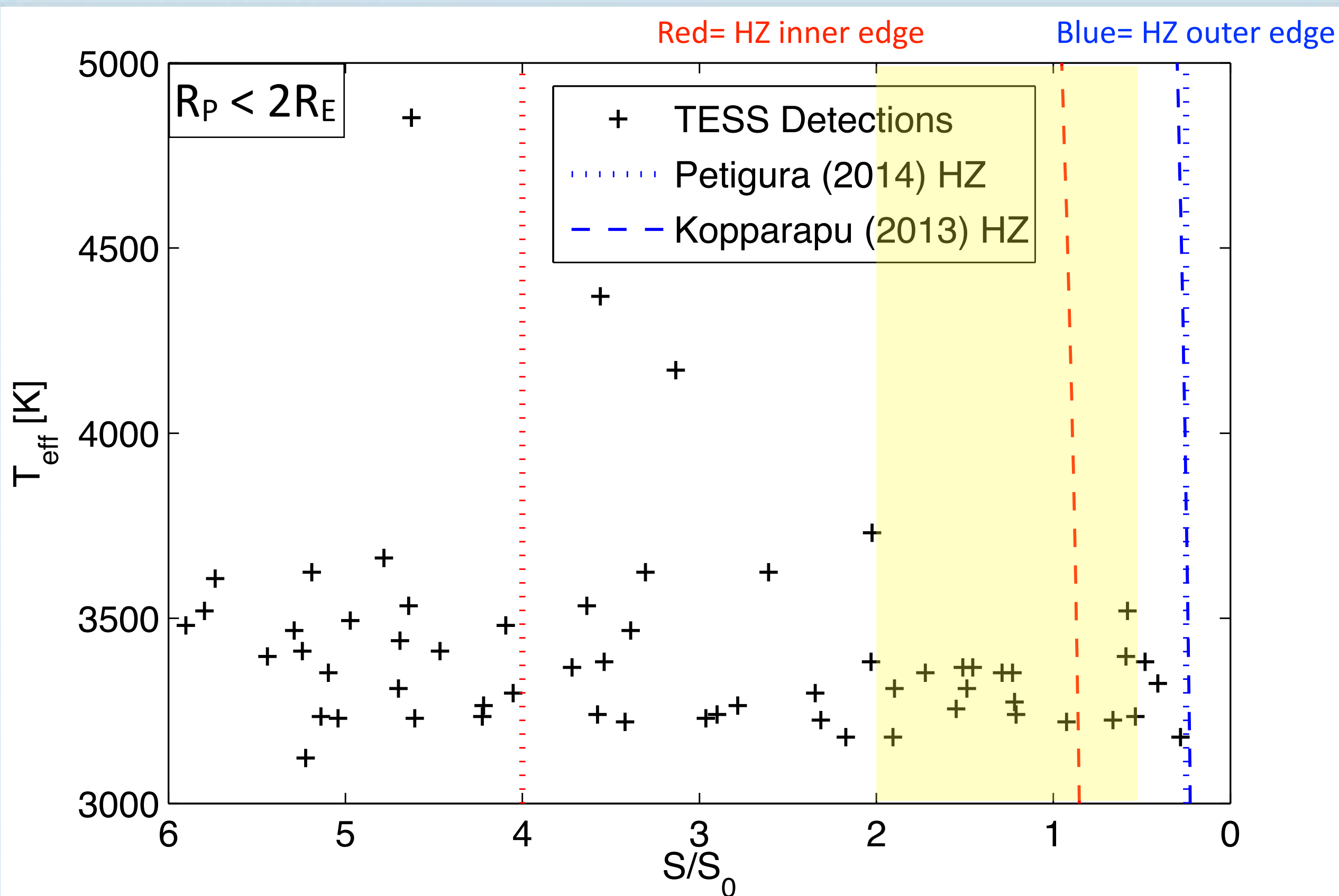






# Stellar Habitable Zones Accessible to TESS









# *Assumptions for TESS Yield Simulations*

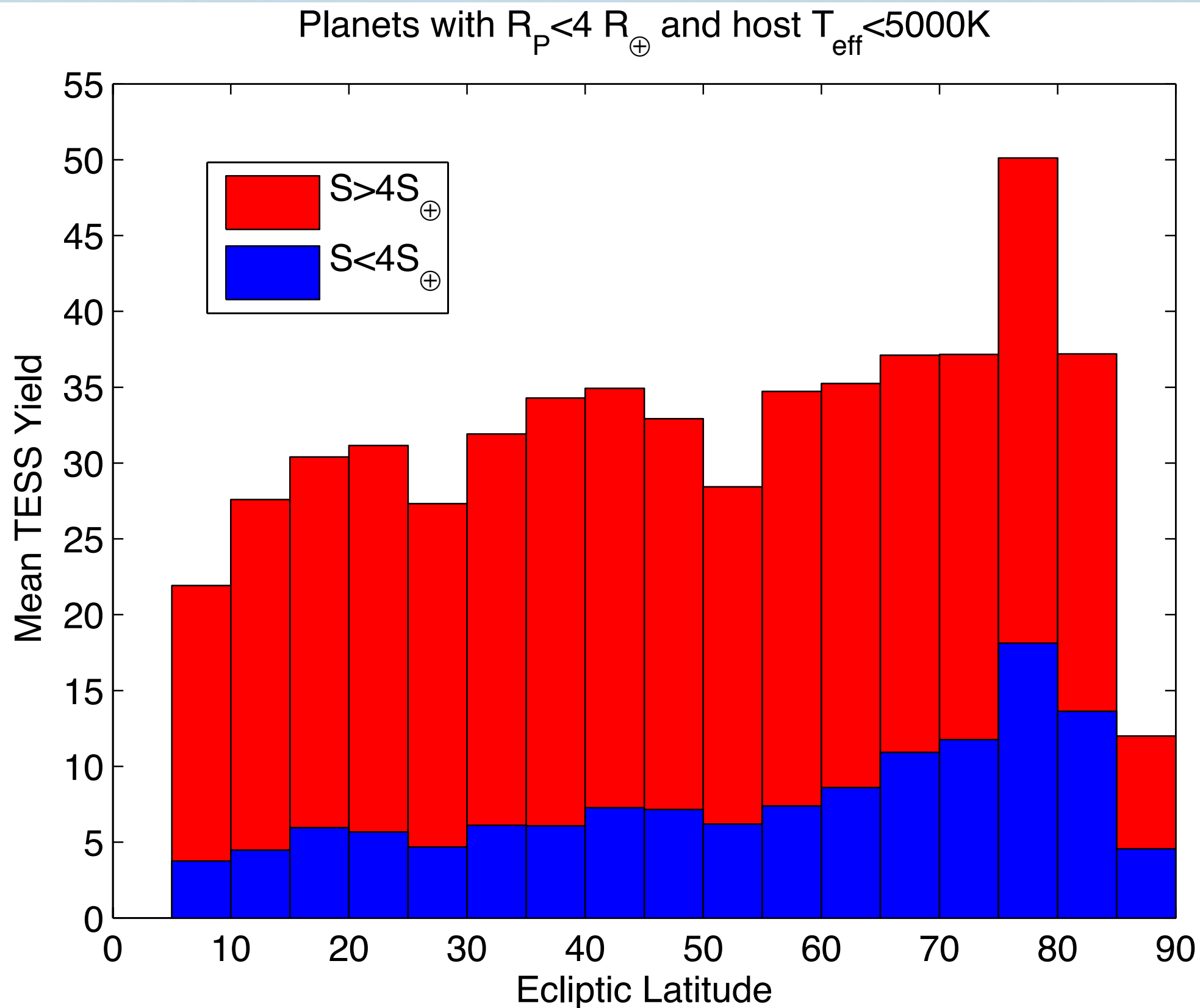
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Offset from ecliptic [deg]:	6.0
Number of Segments:	13 * 2
EPD [mm]:	105
Effective Area [cm <sup>2</sup> ]:	67.5
PSF Scaling from Baseline:	1.0
Read Noise [e-]:	10.0
Systematics [ppm]:	60
Minimum SNR:	7.0
Minimum number of transits:	2
Binarity:	Yes
Total number of stars:	1432942
Number of stars with 1-minute postage stamps:	200K
Full-frame image cadence [min]:	30
Number of trials:	25



## TESS Simulation Yields: All-Sky, Two Years

Earths $0.8\text{--}1.25 R_{\oplus}$	Super-Earths $1.25\text{--}2.0 R_{\oplus}$	Sub-Neptunes $2.0\text{--}4.0 R_{\oplus}$
$38.2 \pm 8.9$	$335 \pm 39$	$1460 \pm 130$

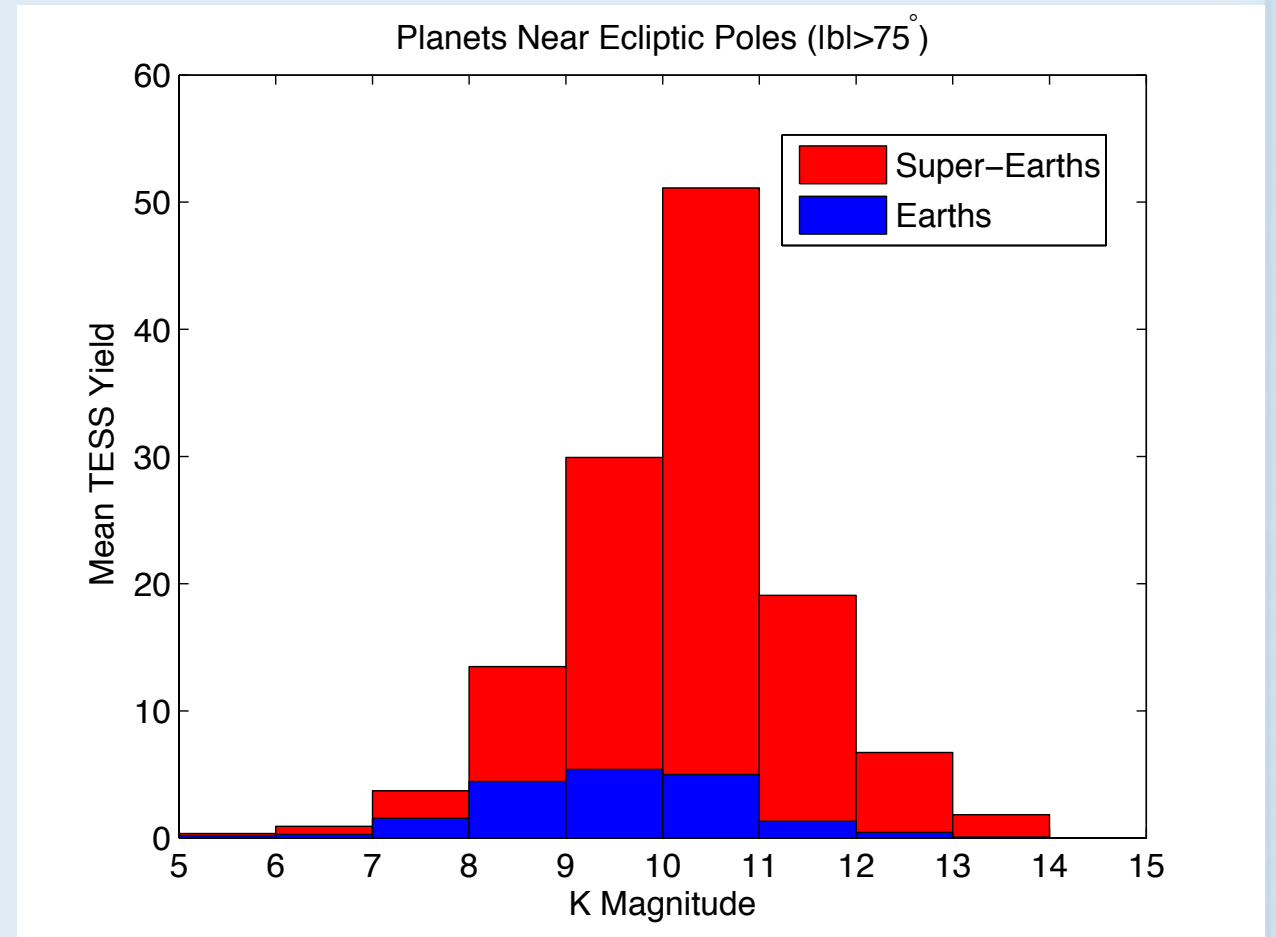
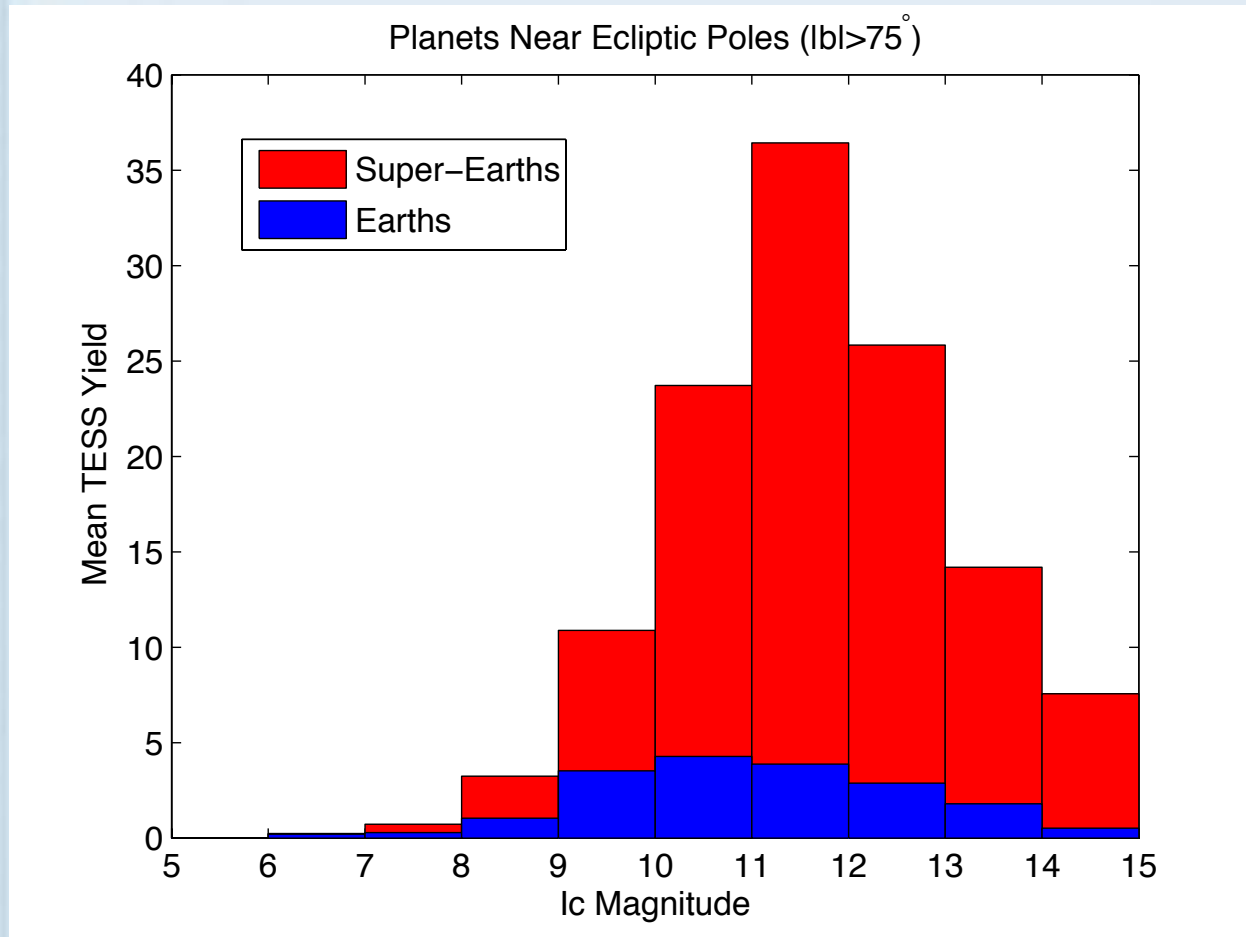
Small HZ Planets $0.5 < S < 2$	JWST HZ $b > 75^{\circ}$
$17.1 \pm 5.8$	$7.3 \pm 3.2$







# TESS Small Planet Yield Near JWST CVZ



## Totals

Super-Earths: **127**

Earths: **19**

## Planet Numbers by $K_{\text{Host Star}}$

$5 < K < 8$ : **5**

$8 < K < 9$ : **13**

$9 < K < 10$ : **30**

## TESS should provide JWST with:

- ◆ ~100 small exoplanets ( $R_P < 2R_E$ ) in or near JWST's CVZ
  - ~20 with  $5 < K < 9$  stellar hosts
- ◆ ~Handful of Earth-sized planets in HZ

