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#### EXPANDING THE FRONTIERS OF SPACE ASTRONOMY

# The Transiting Exoplanet Community Early Release Science Program

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## A Community Effort

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- PIs were peer-elected
- Expertise
  - 58% observers
  - 33% theorists
- Geography
  - 54% US
  - 46% EU & CA
- Gender
  - 23% women (team)
  - 44% women (leadership)

**Current JWST Timeline** 



- ERS results to be announced in "early" November 2017
- GO Cycle 1 proposals due April 2018
- Possible mid-cycle call for proposals in 2019
- Launch of JWST in spring of 2019
- Cycle 1 start in fall of 2019

#### **JWST Timeline Problem**



- Data have a 12 month proprietary period
- Cycle 2 proposal deadlines are 3 8 months after start of Cycle 1 observations
- Limited/no access to important data sets
- Cannot quickly assess performance of JWST's instruments and observing modes

#### Context

STScI Director Ken Sembach will allocate up to 500 hours of Director's Discretionary time for Early Release Science (DD-ERS) to

- accelerate the diffusion of JWST know-how, and
- expand early opportunities for the community to gain experience with JWST data and scientific analysis.

Early resources are allocated to support up to **15** teams. Proposals will be selected in research areas spanning the science themes of JWST :



First Light & Reionization



Assembly of Galaxies



Birth of Stars ඵ Protoplanetary Systems



Planets & Origins of Life

A multi-disciplinary committee of experts will recommend a suite of proposals that both fulfills the goals of the DD-ERS and makes optimal use of the available time for observation and funding. All data will be available immediately with no exclusive access period.





- Determine the spectrophotometric time-series <u>performance of key instrument</u> <u>modes</u> on all the relevant timescales and for a representative range of target star brightnesses.
- Jump-start the process of developing remediation <u>strategies</u> for instrumentspecific <u>systematic noise</u>.
- Provide the community a <u>comprehensive</u> suite of transiting exoplanet data to fully demonstrate <u>JWST's scientific capabilities</u> in this area.



**History of Systematics** 

- Confirm the accuracy of our systematics corrections
- Validate the strength of common atmospheric features using multiple instruments
- Determine the span of reliable wavelengths when stitching together transmission spectra from multiple modes.



Simulated Transmission Spectrum of WASP-39b



Simulated MIRI/LRS Phase Curve of WASP-43b



### Simulated NIRISS/SOSS Emission Spectrum of WASP-18b



- Insights into energy budget and thermal structure
  - Thermal inversion
- Test JWST's achievable precision
  - Noise floor

**Plan for Alternative Targets** 



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- Science-Enabling Products
  - Data analysis recipe for each dataset
  - Field guide to instrument systematics
- Data Challenge
  - Phase 1: gain experience with simulated data
  - Phase 2: analyze real ERS data

	<b>Decemb</b> Technica and APT to the co	<b>ber</b> al Review files released ommunity	fall/winter 1 <sup>st</sup> Data Challenge: simulated datasets	<b>January</b> Readiness Review, community briefing	<b>summer/fall</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Data Challenge: actual datasets	September Results Review, science-enabling products delivered, community briefing	<b>spring</b> special journal issue publishing results and lessons learned
2017		2018			2019		2020
<b>August</b> DD-ERS Proposal Deadline	November DD-ERS Awards Released	<b>March</b> Cycle 1 GO Proposal Deadline	October JWST launch!		April ERS/Cycle 1 observing begins	September Cycle 2 Call for Proposals	



- January 6 2017 Release of Call for Notices of Intent for DD ERS proposals
- March 3 2017 Deadline for receipt of NOIs
  - 200 received involving 395 PIs & co-PIs, 3665 named investigators/collaborators
  - 104 US-based PIs from 24 states & 1 territory; 82 ESA PIs from 18 countries
- May 19 2017 Release of Call for DD ERS proposals
- August 18 2017 DD ERS proposal deadline
  - 106 proposals involving 2957 investigators/collaborators from 38 countries & 45 US states and territories
  - 3683.1 hours requested → 7:1 oversubscription
- October 9 & 10 2017 DD ERS TAC, @ STScl
- Mid-October Technical & scheduling reviews of top-ranked DD ERS proposals
- Early November Results announced to the community

## DD ERS proposal submissions

### Broad range of science topics in 4 groupings



## ERS results will be announced next week!



• 9.1m diameter Telescope, 5 – 660 micron

• 5 Science Instruments

• Launch 2035

• Mission Operations at Sun-Earth L2

Data Rate: 348Mbits/sec





# Ask not what JWST can do for you; ask what you can do for JWST.

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## Early Release Science (ERS)

- Solution to JWST timeline problem:
  - JWST Advisory Committee recommends creation of ERS program
- Provide open access to select JWST observations asap in Cycle 1
- Goals:
  - Seed initial discovery
  - Quickly build experience
  - Inform preparation of Cycle 2 proposals

- ERS program highlights:
  - Targets selected before Cycle 1 call for proposals
  - ~500 hours of DD time
  - Peer-reviewed proposals submitted by community
  - Key observing modes and data analysis challenges
  - Science driven
  - No proprietary period
  - Among first Cycle 1 observations
  - Science-enabling products

#### **Spectroscopic Observing Modes**



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