

The TESS Guest Investigator Program (proposed)

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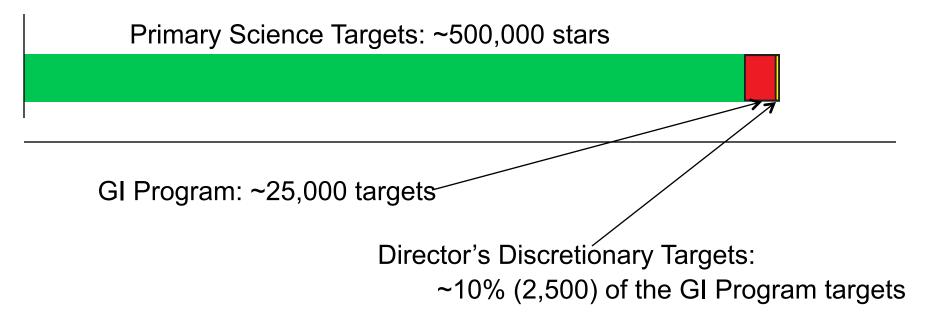
• As part of the Phase A Study, the TESS team proposed a Science Enhancement Option of a Guest Investigator (GI) Program

• The GI Program is **not** included in the cost-capped mission selected by NASA





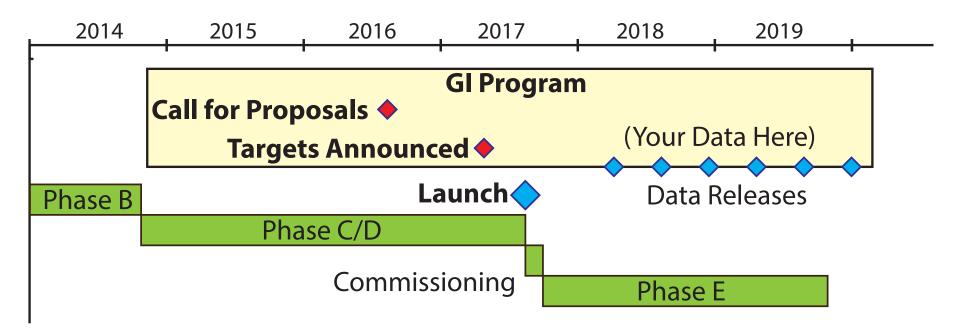
• Up to 5% (~25,000) additional targets can be proposed for observations by TESS during the course of the mission







• A single call for proposals ~1 year before launch



• No proprietary period for GI data





Keeping it Simple

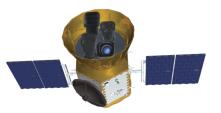
Observations identical to core science targets •

GI data processed just like core science targets

Data archived and available through MAST •

Additional software tools for observation • planning and analysis to be developed. Suggestions?













- What did the Kepler GO program do well?
- What could be done better?
- In addition to the conversation now, please feel free to send ideas/ comments to me: Stephen.A.Rinehart@nasa.gov

