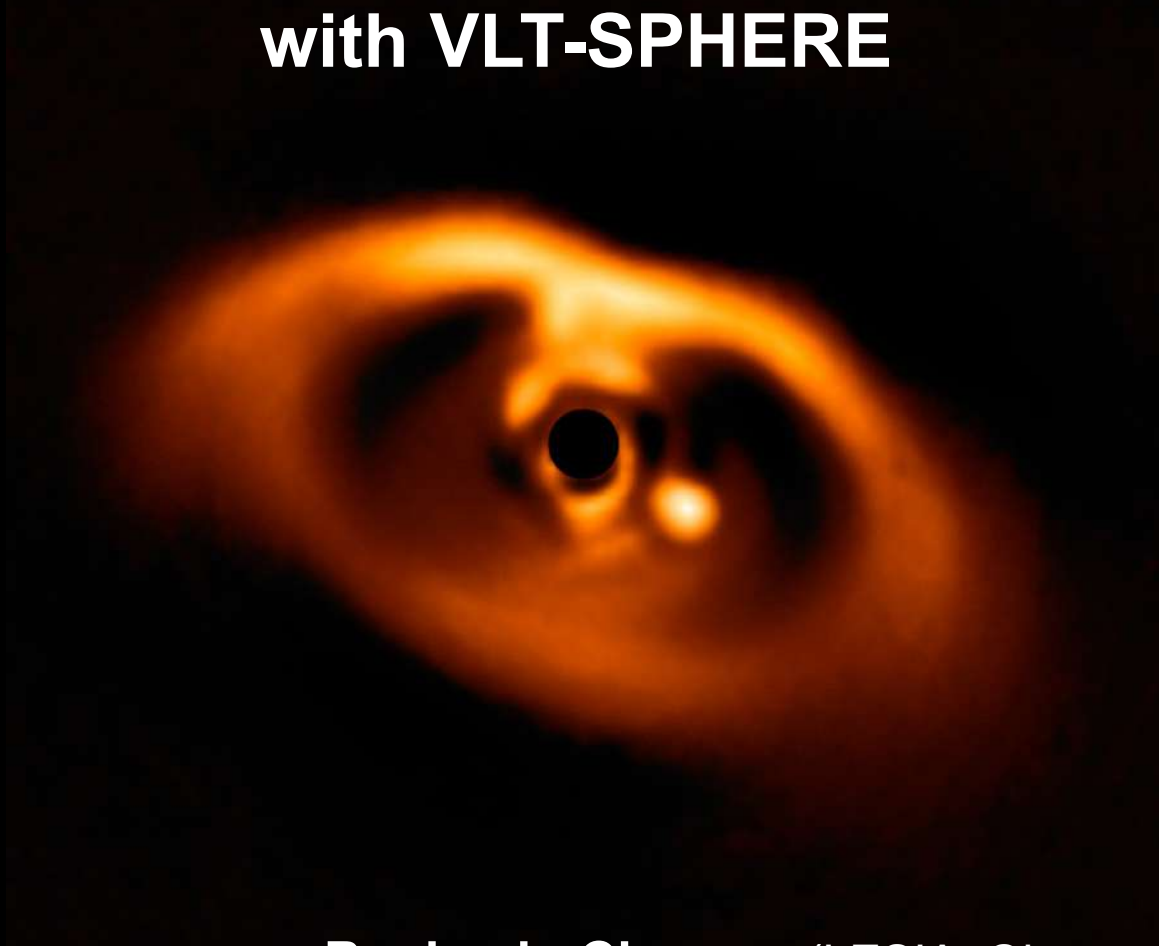


Characterization of exoplanetary atmospheres with VLT-SPHERE



Benjamin Charnay (LESIA, Observatoire de Paris)

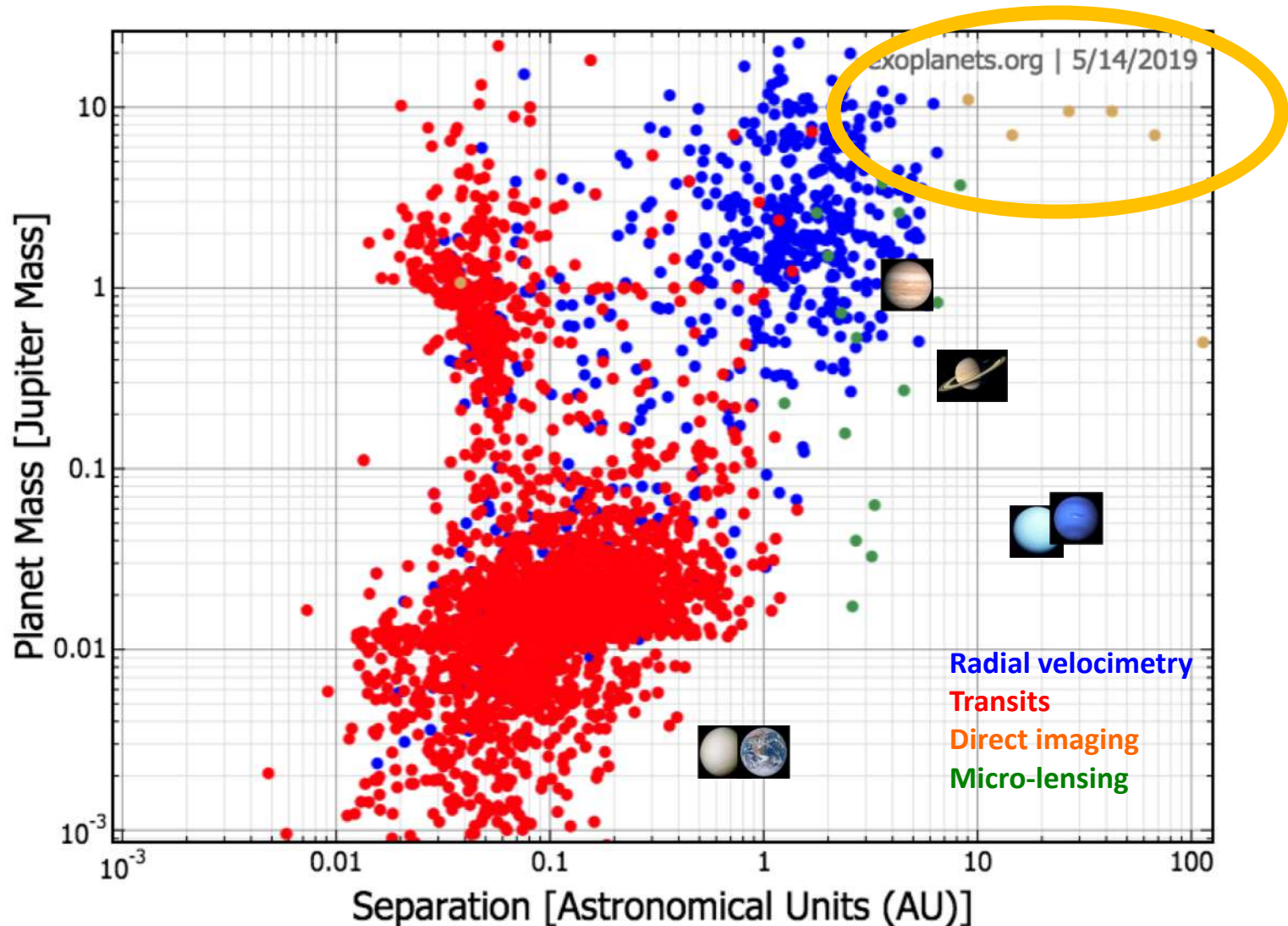
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M. Nowak & the SPHERE Consortium**

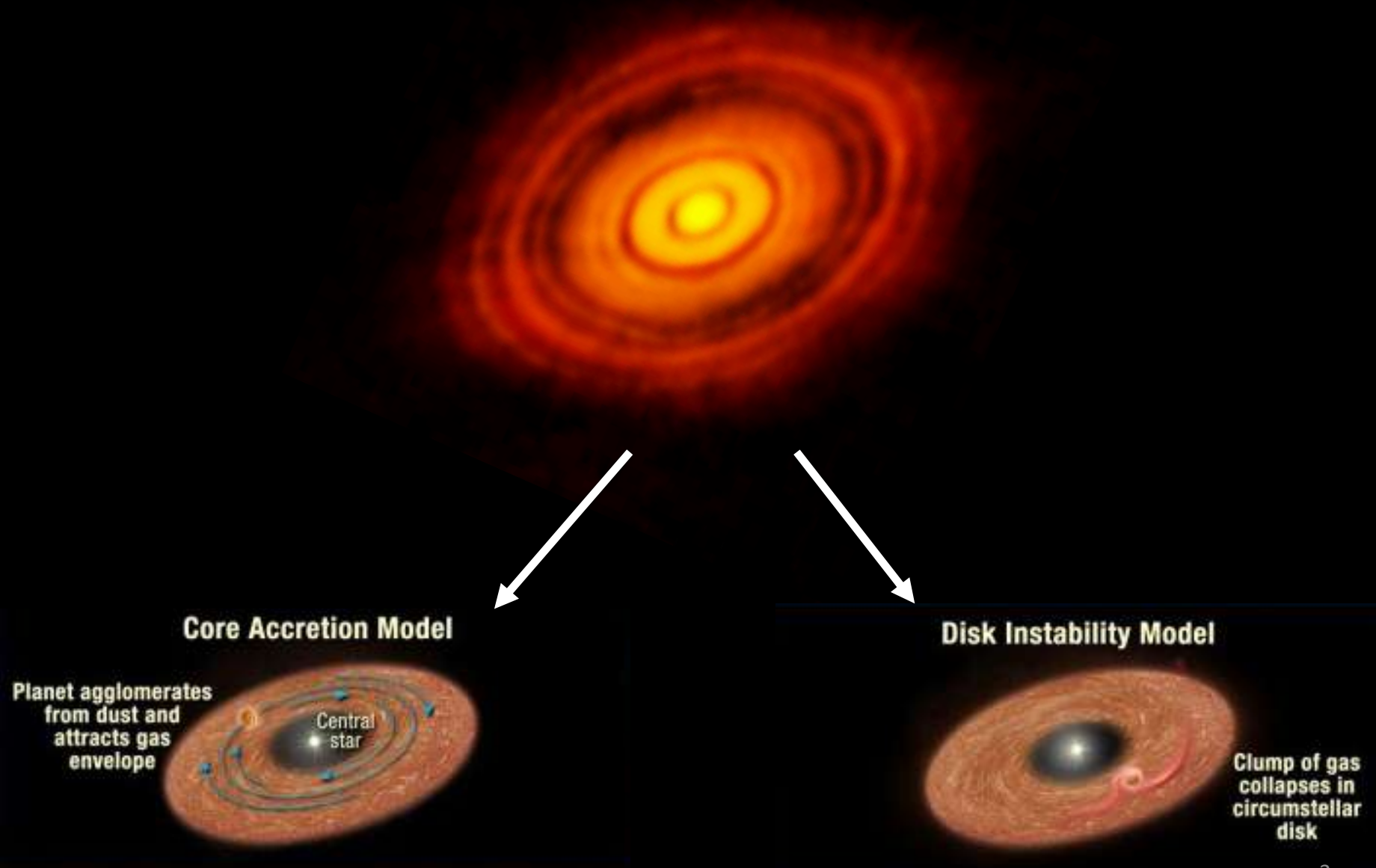


A portrait of the directly imaged planets

Imaged planets are massive and far from their host star

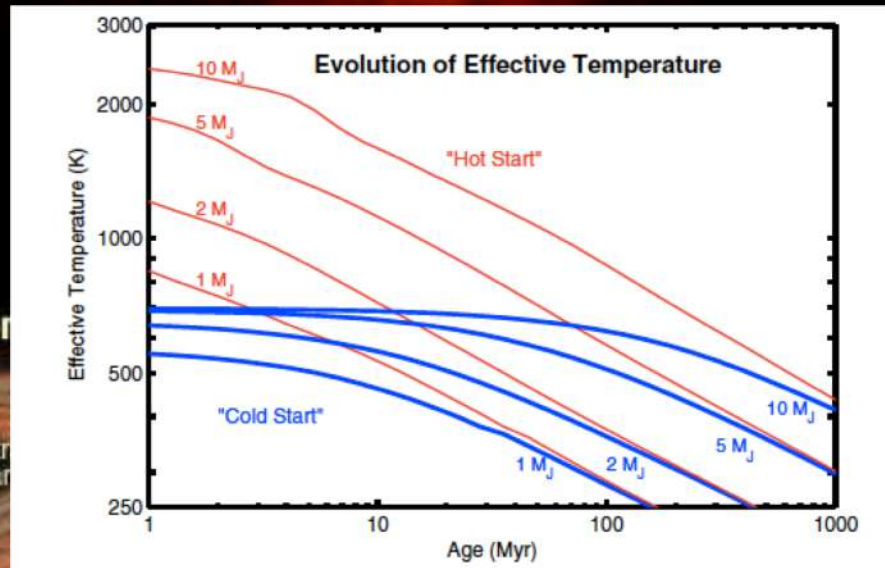


Giant planet formation



Atmospheres as probes of planetary formation

Thermal evolution



Spiegel & Burrows (2012)

Core Accretion

Planet agglomerates from dust and attracts gas envelope

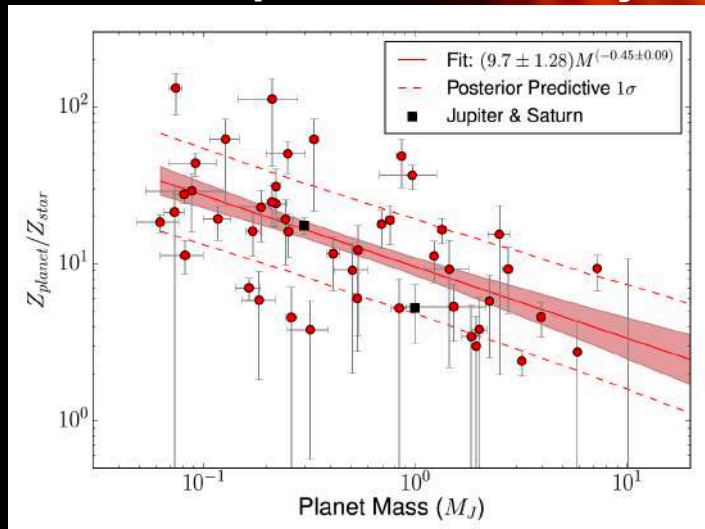
Central star

Instability Model

Clump of gas collapses in circumstellar disk

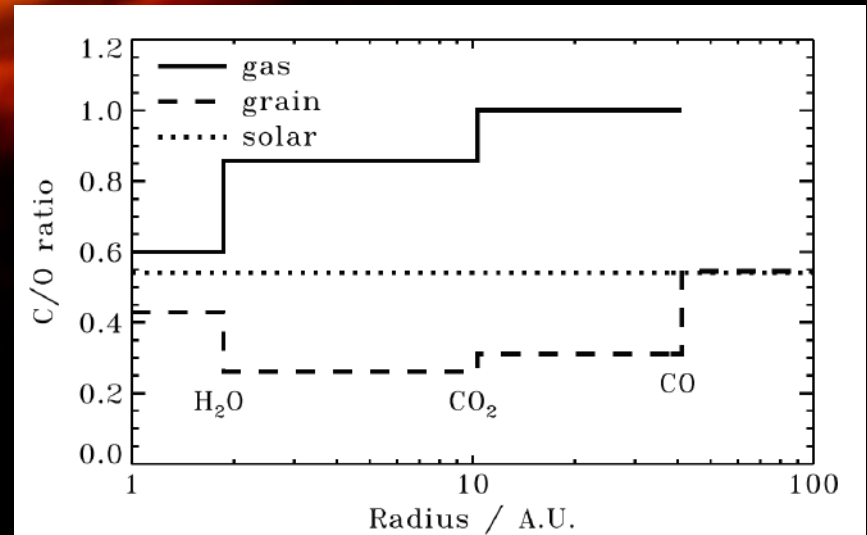
Atmospheres as probes of planetary formation

Atmospheric metallicity



Thorngren et al. (2016)

Effect of snowlines on C/O



Öberg et al. (2011)

Luminosity and radius
Atmospheric composition
(metallicity, C/O,...)

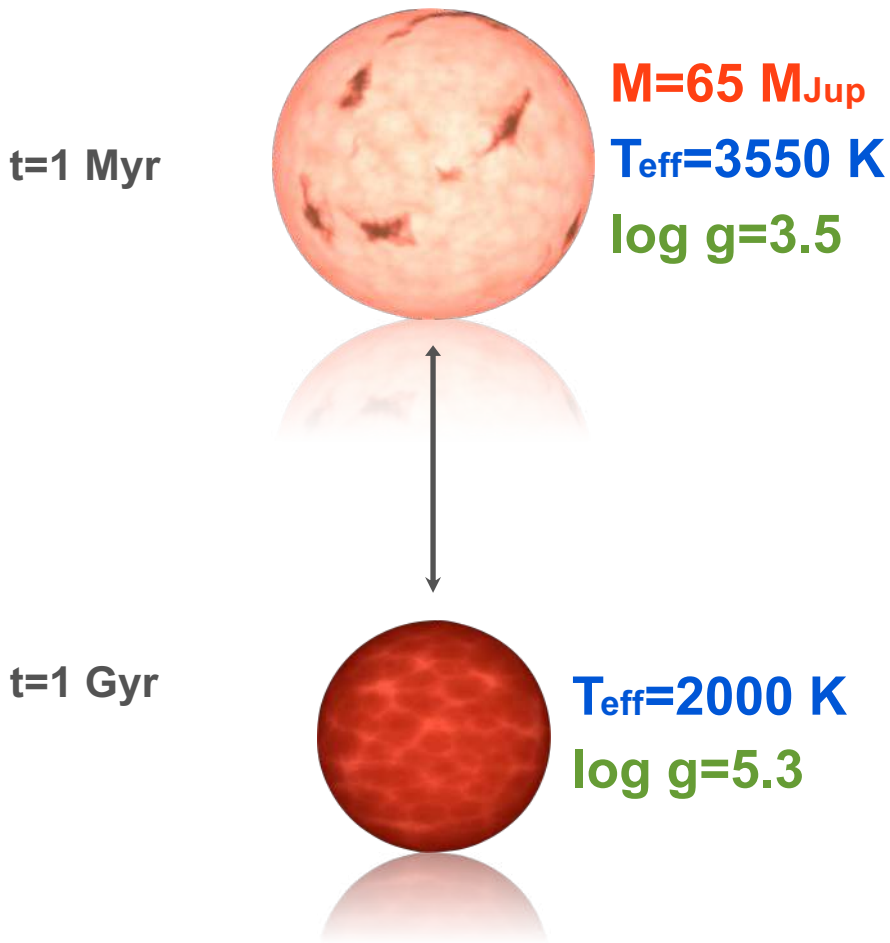


Formation mechanism
& interior

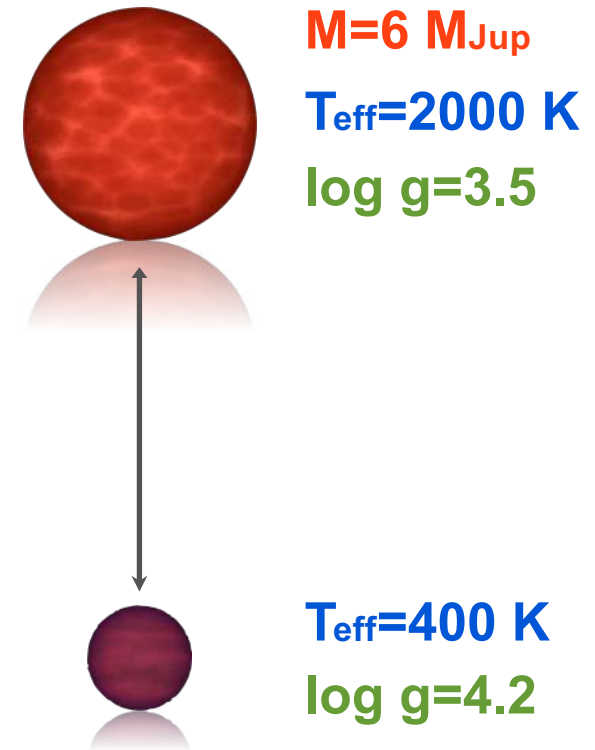
Comparison brown dwarfs vs imaged giant planets

Imaged planets are young \Rightarrow low surface gravity

BROWN DWARF

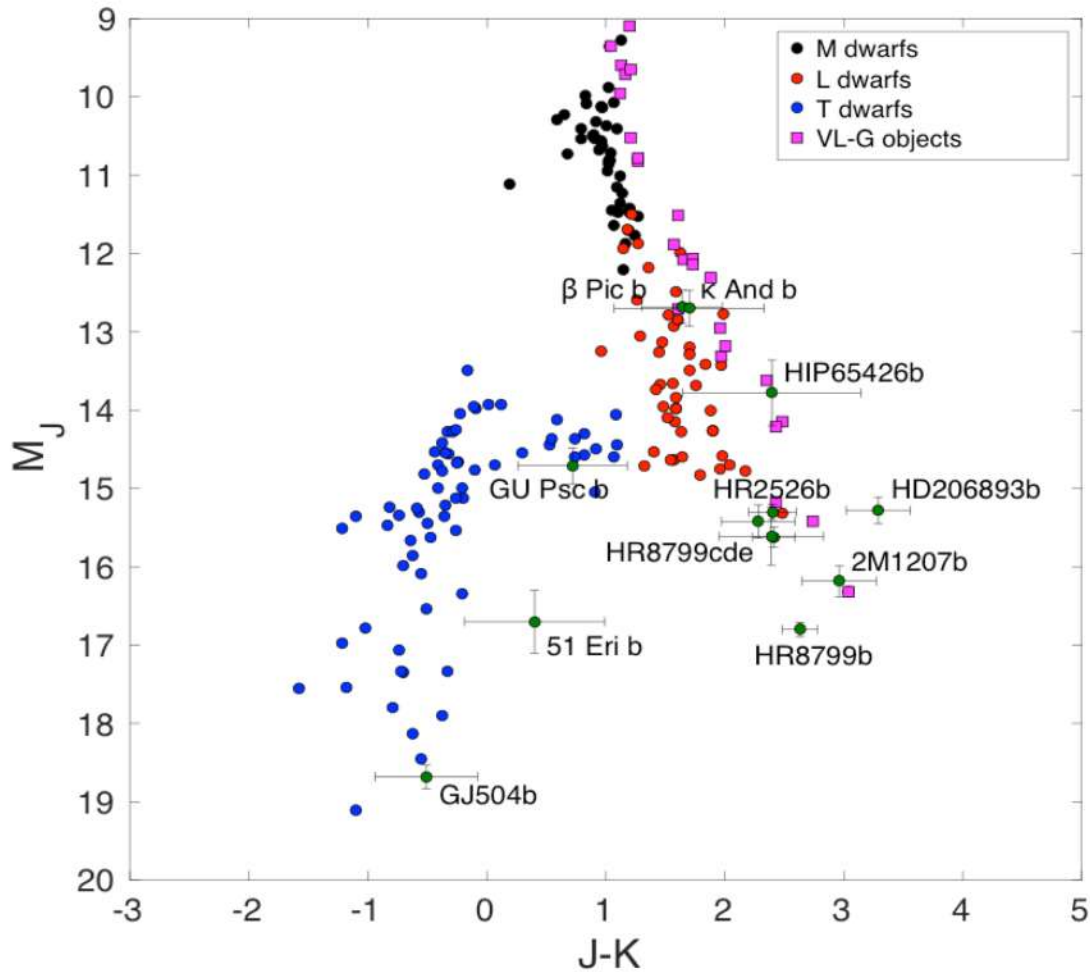


PLANET



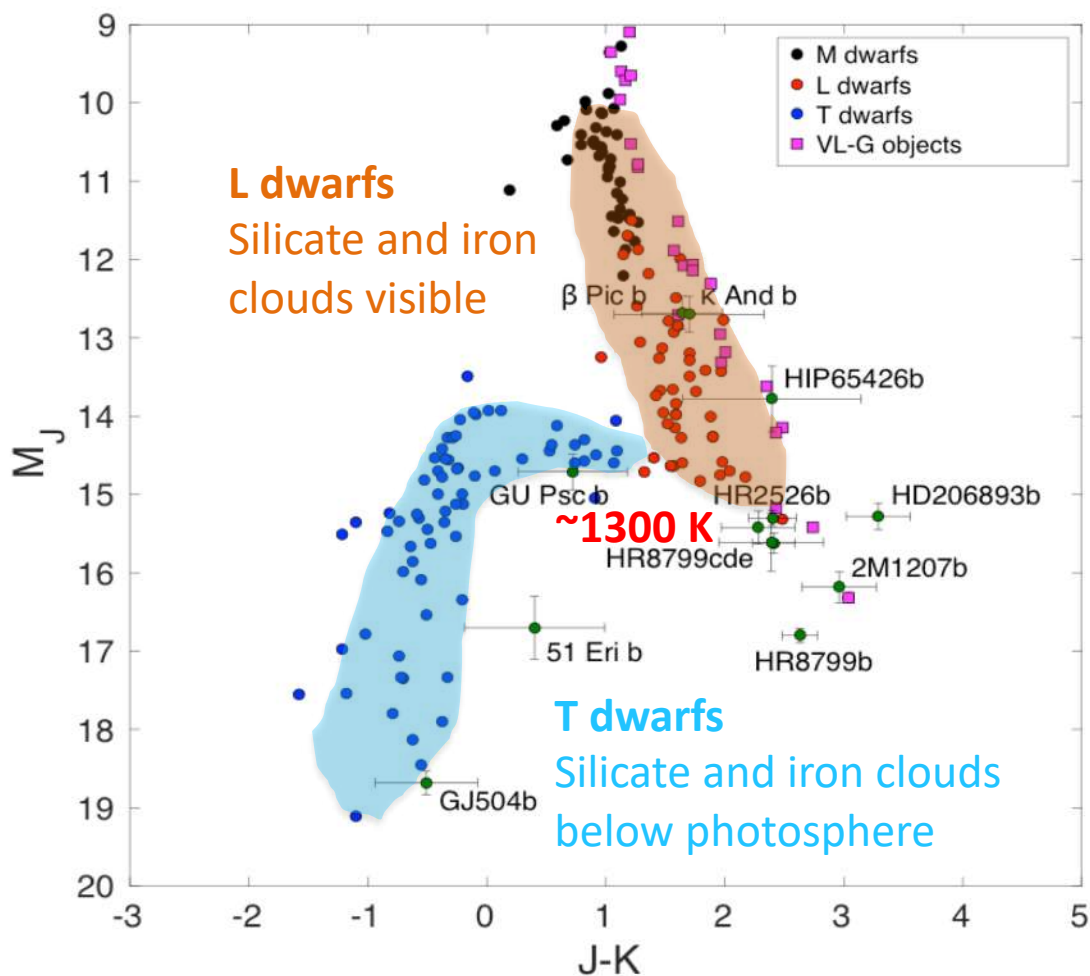
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The LT transition



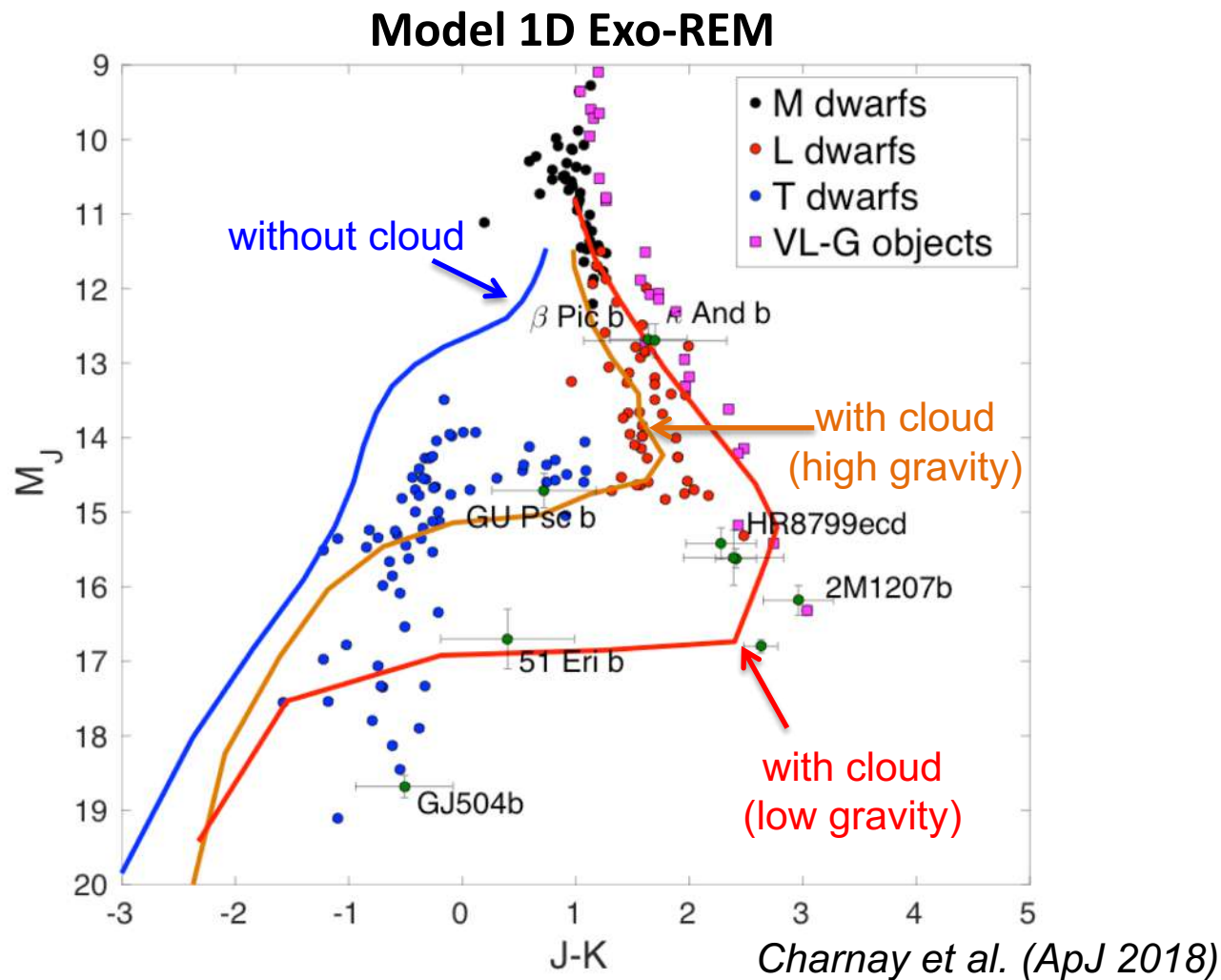
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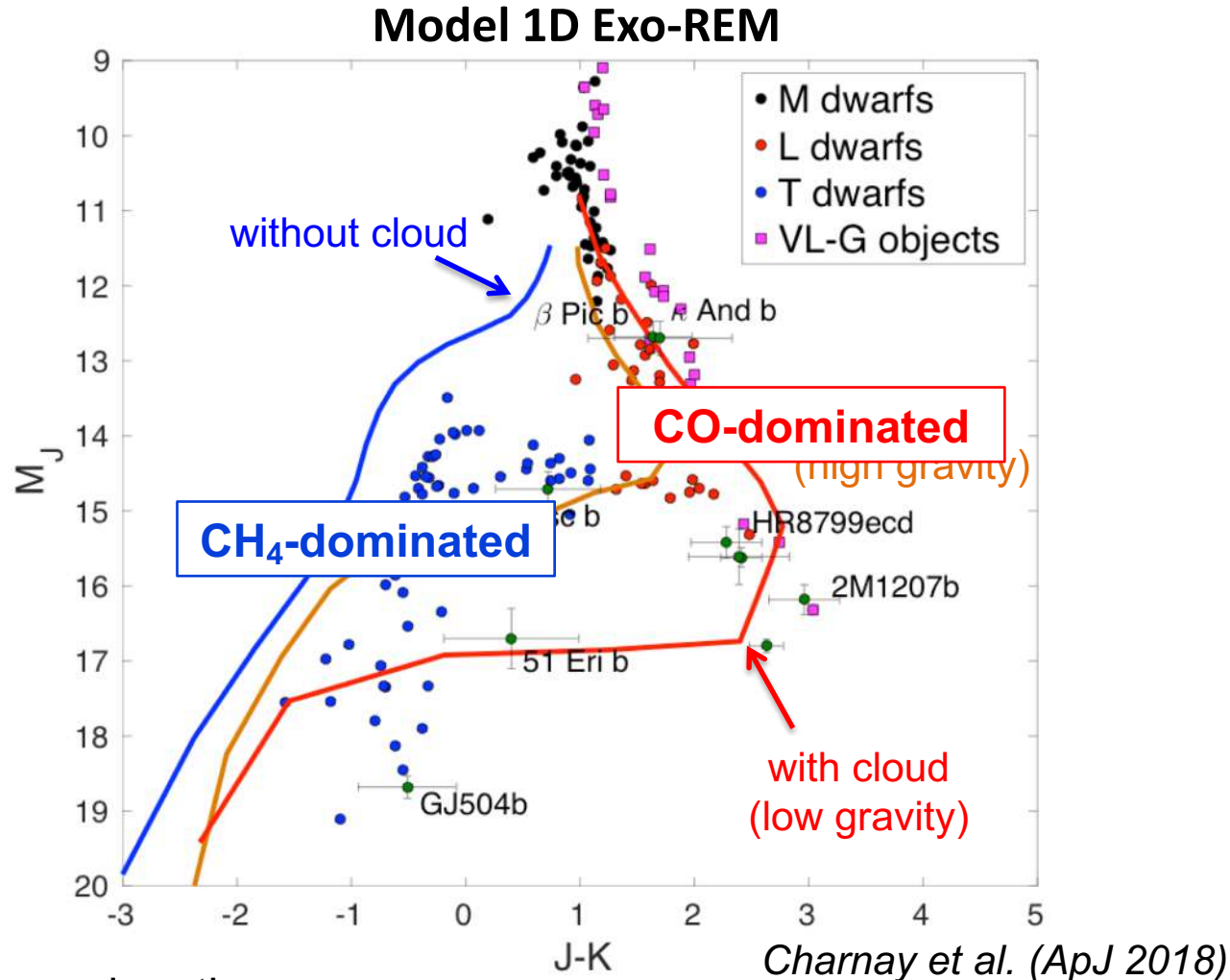
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The LT transition



Alternative explanation:

Thermochemical instabilities producing reddening for L dwarfs

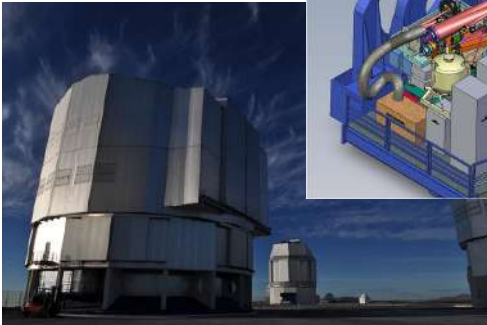
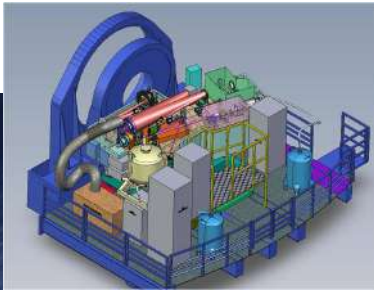
Tremblin et al. (2016, 2017)

Current facilities for direct imaging



European Consortium, VLT

- IR Camera
- IR spectrograph
- Visible highprecision polarimeter



US, Gemini South

IR spectrograph



Japan, Subaru

- IR Camera
- IR spectrograph



US, Chile

Visible Camera



VLT-SPHERE

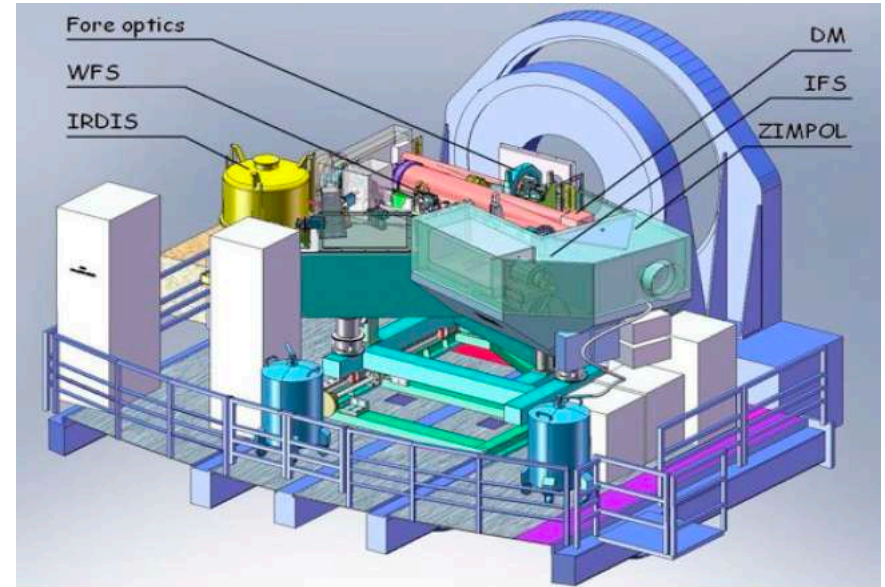


1st light: May 4th, 2014
Operations: Feb. 2015



VLT-SPHERE

- **Contrast (planet/star) $\leq 10^{-5}$**
- **Combine Ex-AO and advanced coronagraphy**
- **GTO: 260 nights over 5 years**
- **SHINE Program (200 nights):**
survey for exoplanets of 400-600
young stars (< 800 Myrs, R mag < 11.5)



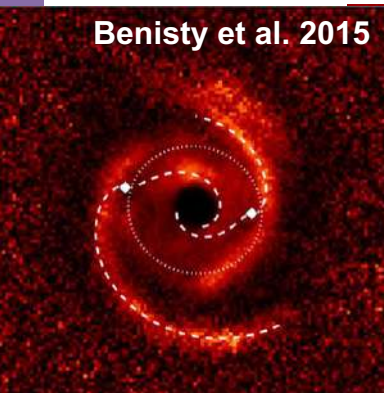
Beuzit et al. (2008, 2019)

	IFS	IRDIS	ZIMPOL
FOV	1.73" x 1.73"	11" x 11"	3.5"x3.5"
SPECTRAL RANGE	0.95- 1.65 μm : YJH	0.95-2.32 μm : YJHK	500 - 900 nm
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POLARIMETRY	X	✓	✓

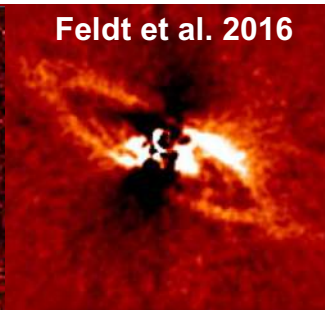
VLT-SPHERE

Harvest of disks

Benisty et al. 2015



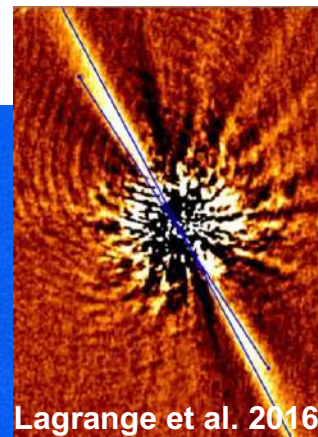
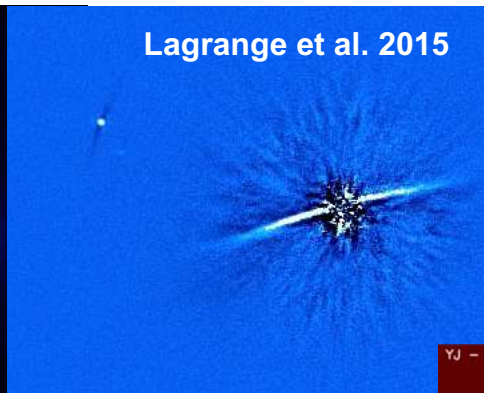
Feldt et al. 2016



Avenhaus et al. 2016



Lagrange et al. 2015



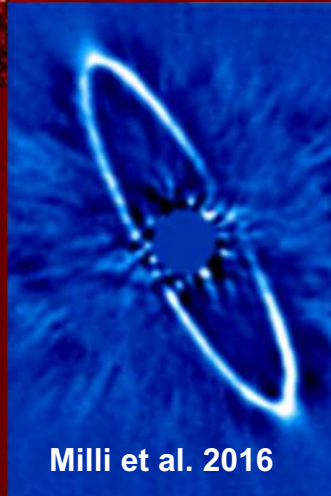
Lagrange et al. 2016

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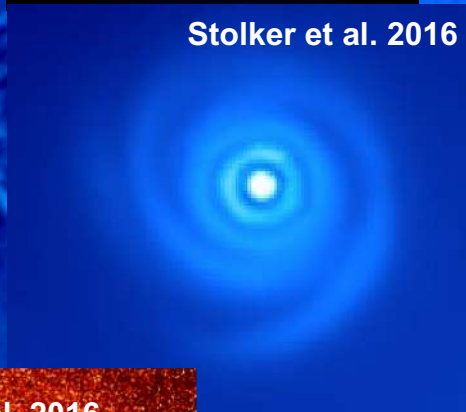


Janson et al. 2015

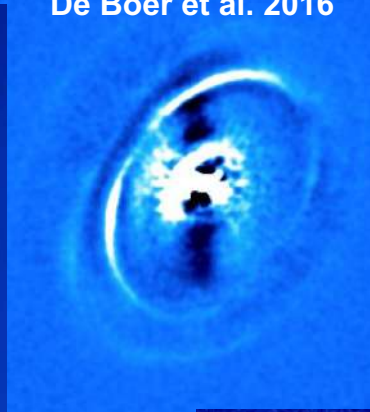
Milli et al. 2016



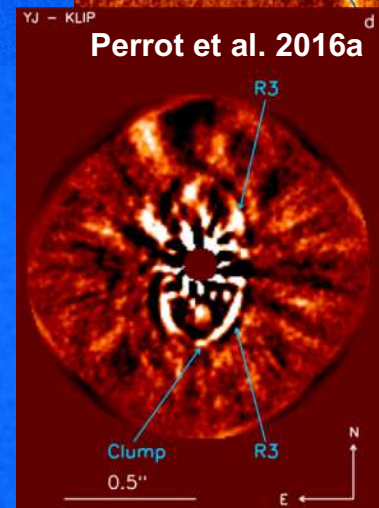
Stolker et al. 2016



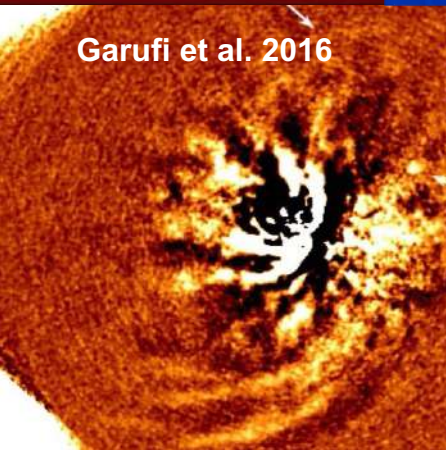
De Boer et al. 2016



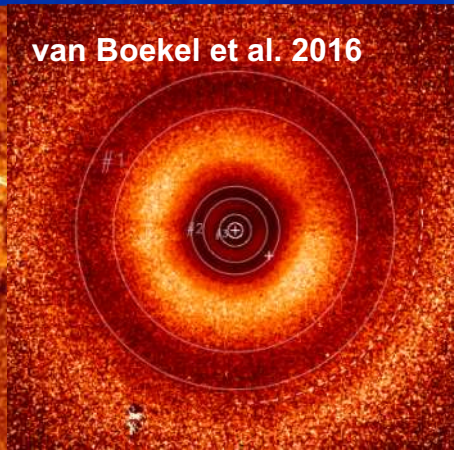
Perrot et al. 2016a



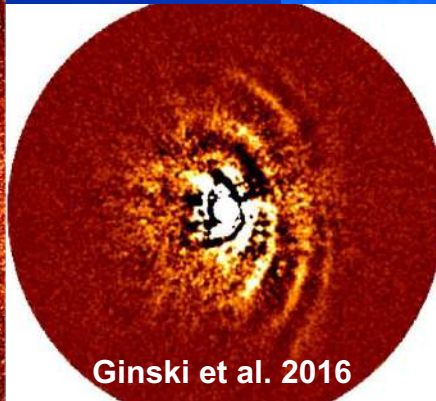
Garufi et al. 2016



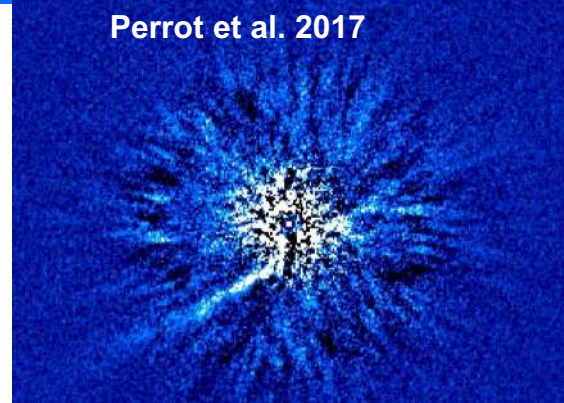
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Ginski et al. 2016



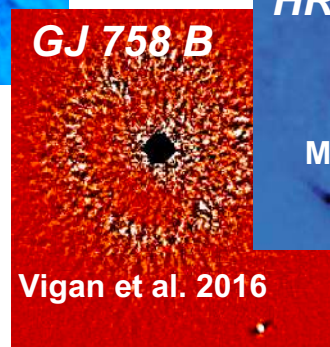
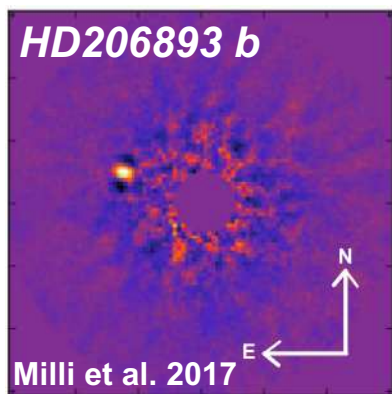
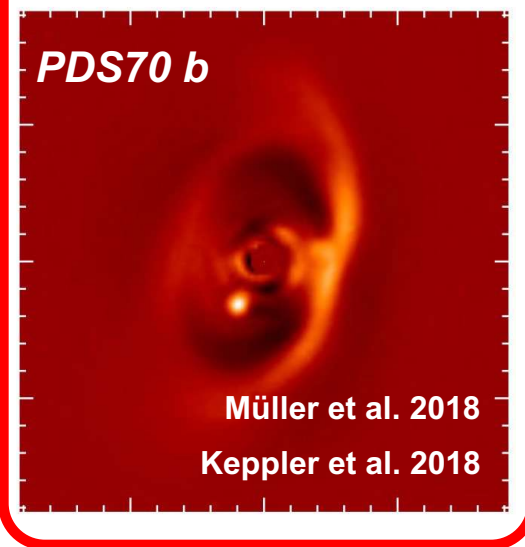
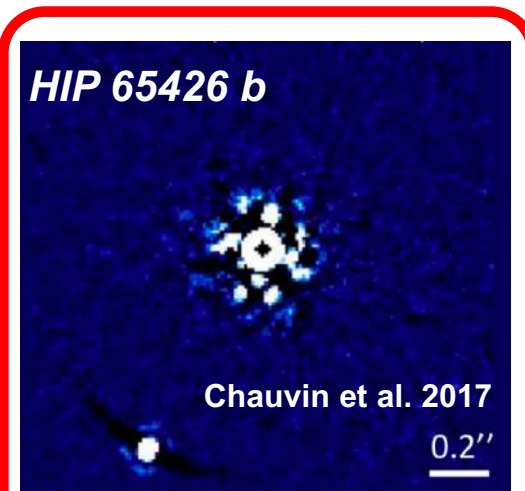
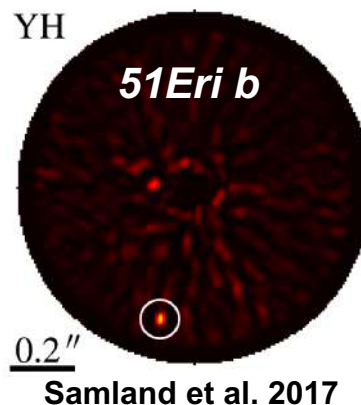
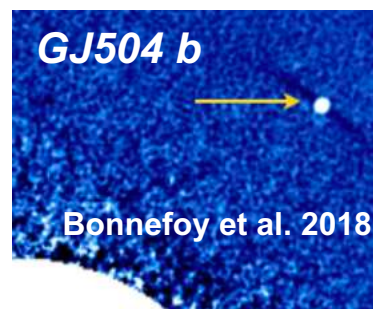
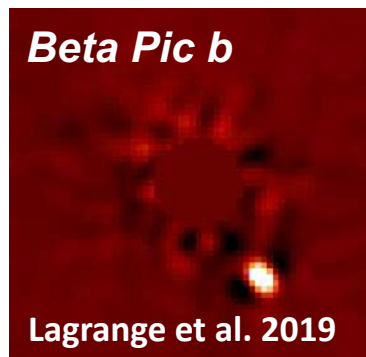
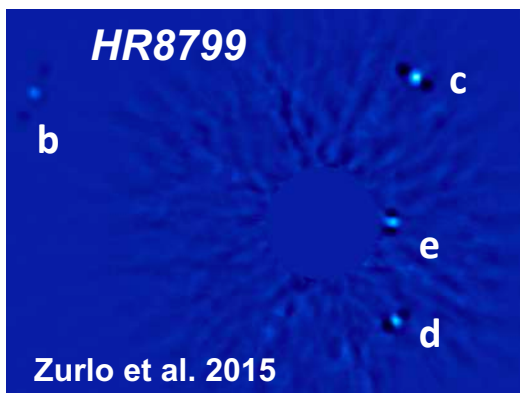
Perrot et al. 2017



VLT-SPHERE

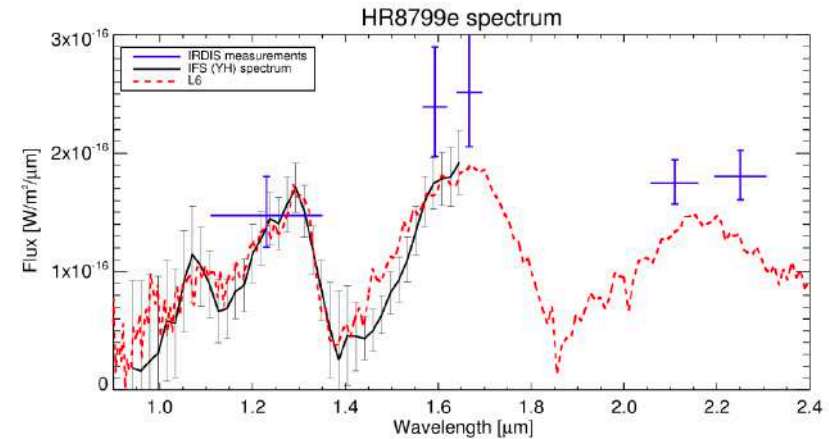
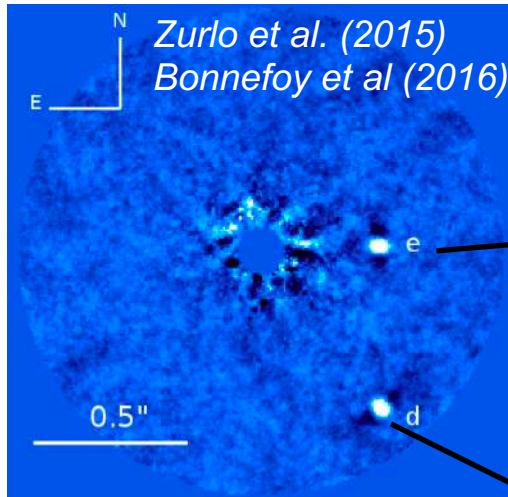
2 new planets

Characterization of several YGP & BD



Exploring the L/T transition

The HR8799 system



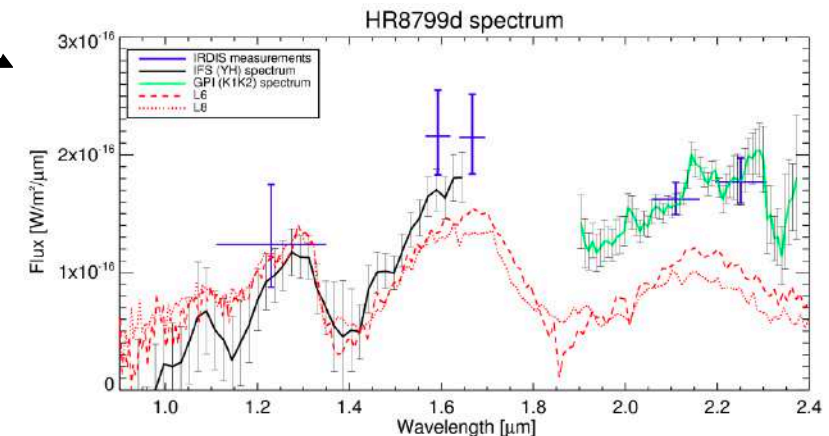
HR8799 de:

Age ~ 30 Myr

Distance = 16/24 au

Masse $\sim 7 M_{\text{jup}}$

$T_{\text{eff}} \sim 1100\text{-}1200$ K

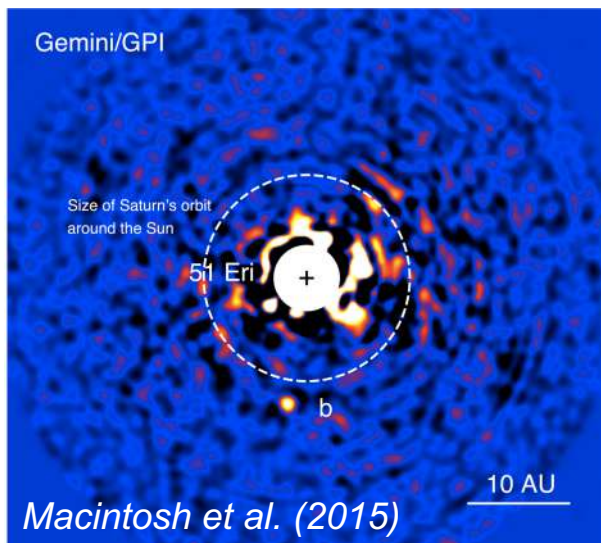


Empirical fitting:

- Best SED fitting for L6-L7 dwarf (delayed LT transition)
- Additional reddening is needed for K band

Exploring the L/T transition

51 Eri b



51 Eri b:

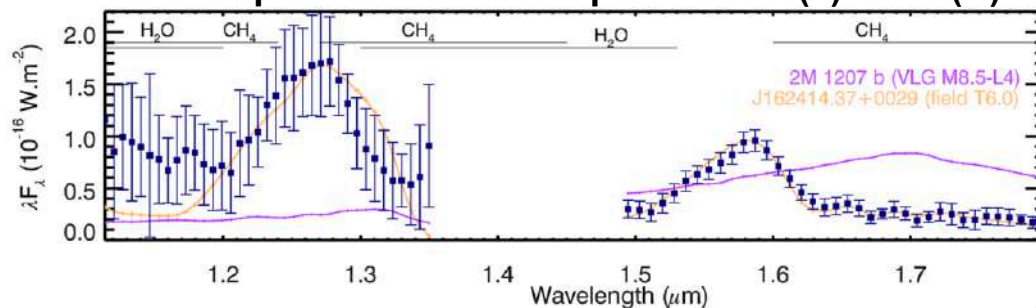
Age ~ 20 Myr

Distance : 14 au

Masse ~ 2 M_{Jup}

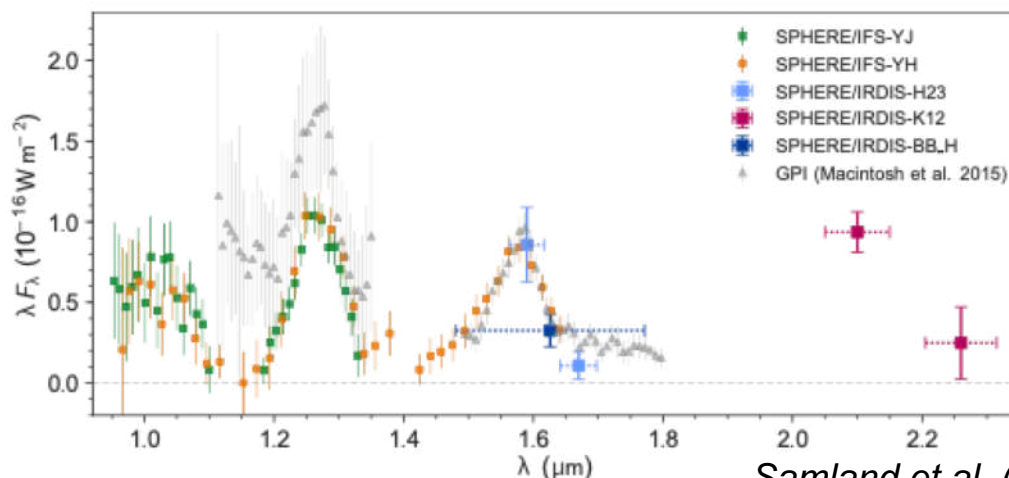
T_{eff} ~ 600-750 K

GPI spectrum: 1.13-2.19 μm / R = 35 (J) to 83 (K)



Macintosh et al. (2015)

SPHERE: R~30/50 IFS spectra up to 1.64 μm + H and K band photometry



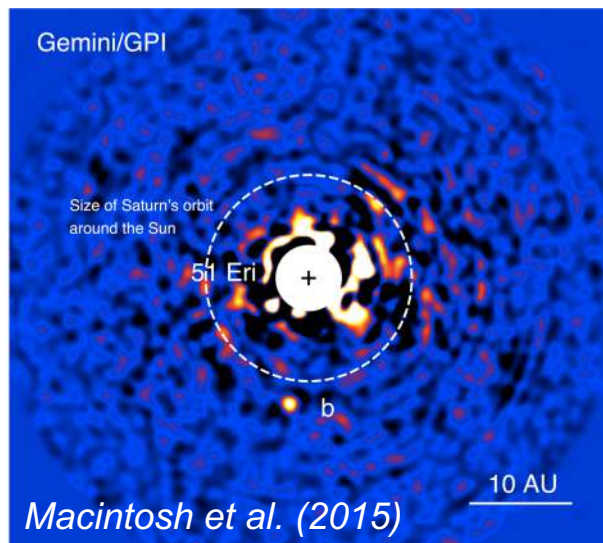
Samland et al. (2017)

Photometric and spectral Fitting:

- T-type object (CH₄-dominated)
- Additionnal reddening by cloud needed

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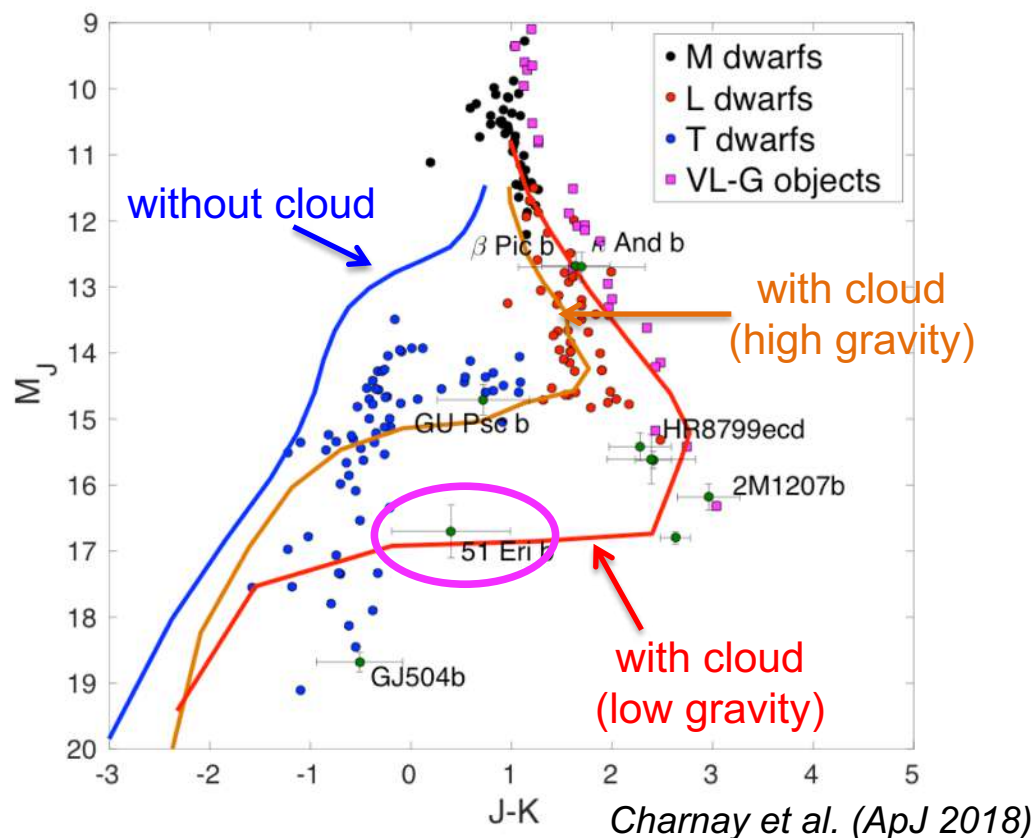
51 Eri b:

Age ~ 20 Myr

Distance : 14 au

Masse $\sim 2 M_{\text{Jup}}$

$T_{\text{eff}} \sim 600\text{-}750$ K

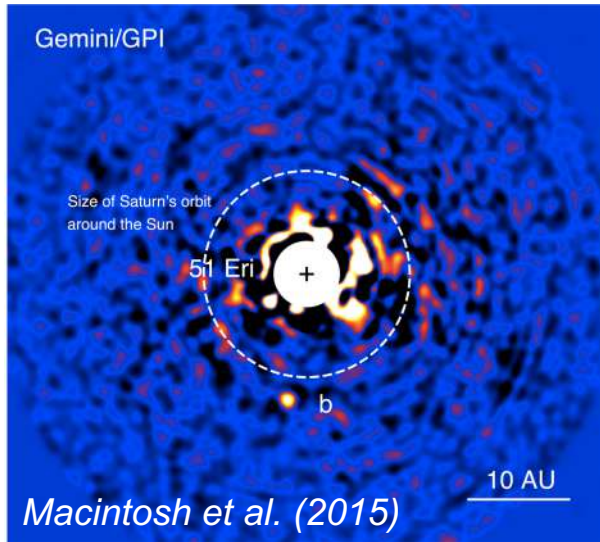


Photometric and spectral Fitting:

- T-type object (CH_4 -dominated)
- Additional reddening by sulfide clouds or transitioning LT object at low gravity

Exploring the L/T transition

51 Eri b



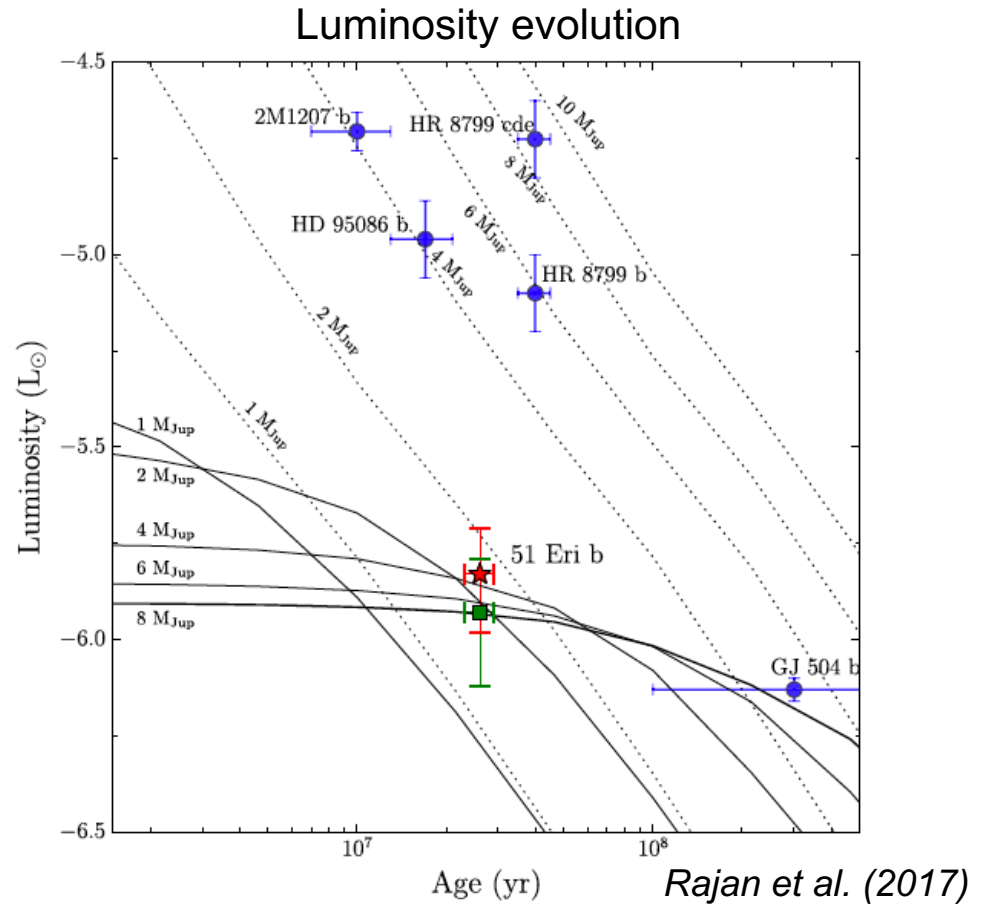
51 Eri b:

Age ~ 20 Myr

Distance : 14 au

Masse $\sim 2 M_{\text{Jup}}$

$T_{\text{eff}} \sim 600\text{-}750$ K



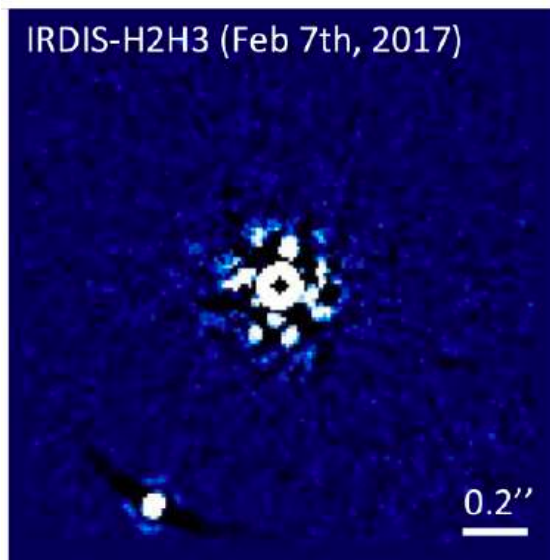
Thermal evolution:

Compatible with a "hot-start" ($2 M_{\text{Jup}}$)
and a "cold-start" ($>2 M_{\text{Jup}}$)

\Rightarrow need astrometric mass estimations (Gaia)

New planets

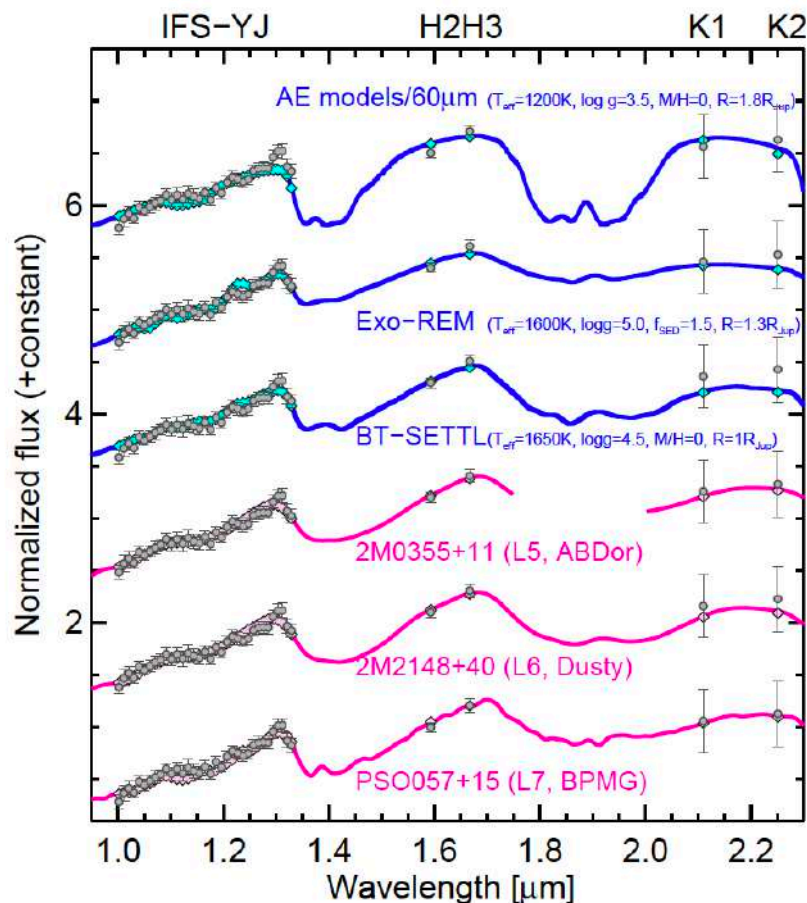
HIP65426 b



Chauvin et al. (2017)

HIP65426 b:

Age = 14 ± 4 Myr
Distance ~ 100 au
Masse $\sim 6\text{--}12 M_{\text{Jup}}$
 $T_{\text{eff}} \sim 1600$ K

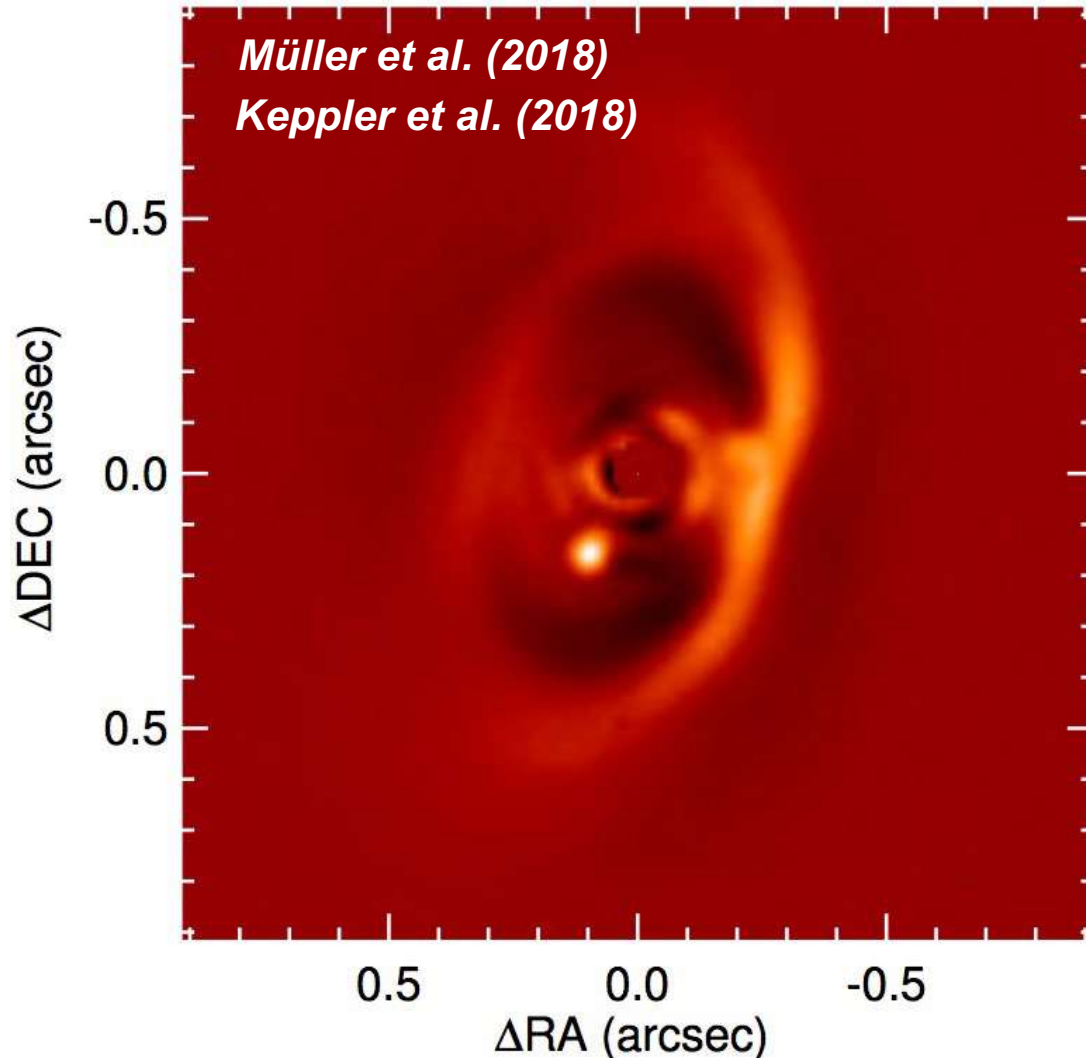


Spectral fitting:

- Mid-L spectral type (intermediate between β Pic b & HR8799bcde)
- Reddening by thick cloud

New planets

PDS 70 b protoplanet



Star:

- $0.7 M_{\odot}$
- 5.4 ± 1 Myr
- 113 ± 0.5 pc

Disk:

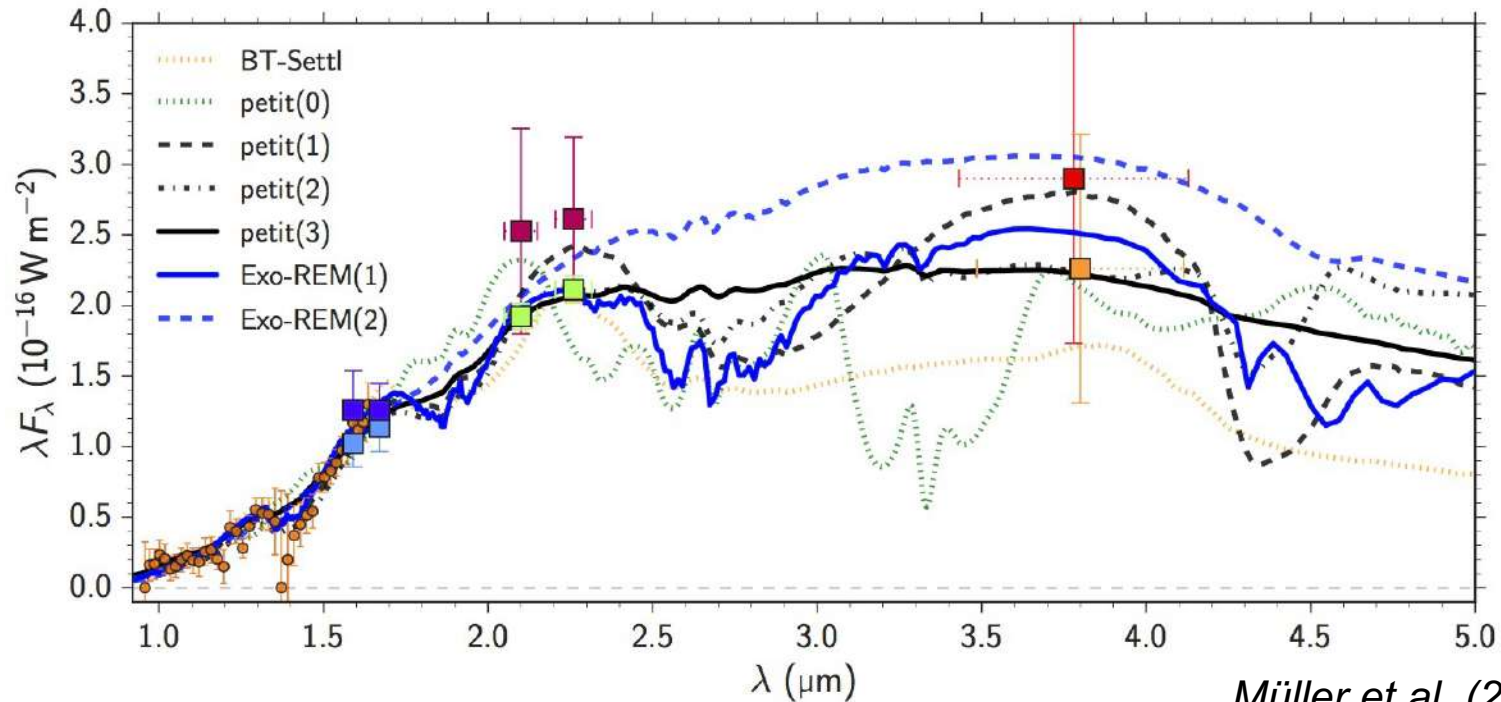
- 65 au gap
- gas and dust
(transition disk)

Candidate:

- Co-moving / 4 years
- $5-10 M_{\text{Jup}}$
- 22 au orbit
- red colors

New planets

PDS 70 b protoplanet



Müller et al. (2018)

PDS 70 b:

Age ~ 5 Myr

Distance : 22 au

$T_{\text{eff}} \sim 1050\text{-}1600$ K

Gravity: $\log(g) \leq 3.5$

Radius $\sim 1.4\text{-}3.7 R_{\text{Jup}}$

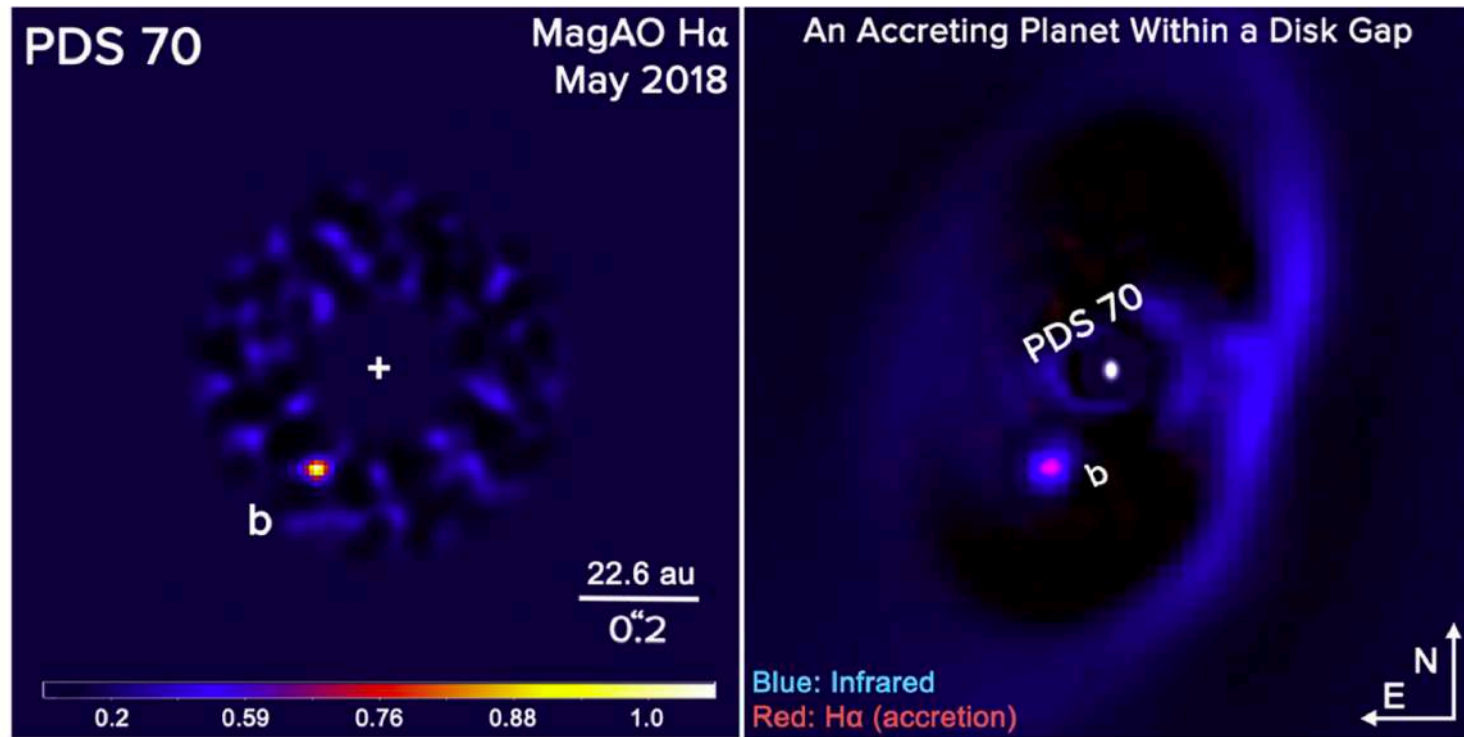
Models with clouds & very low gravity

Large radius \Rightarrow physical ?

(accretion, absorption/emission from circumplanetary disk ?)

New planets

PDS 70 b protoplanet

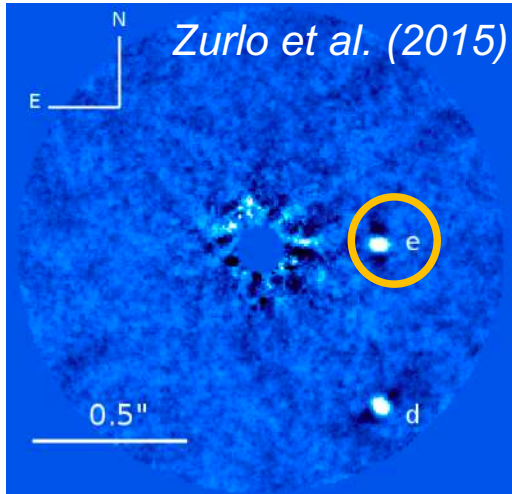


Wagner et al. (2018)

H α luminosity \Rightarrow Accretion of hydrogen
($\dot{M} = 10^{-8 \pm 1} M_{Jup} yr^{-1}$)

Atmospheric characterization with GRAVITY/VLTI

HR8799 e



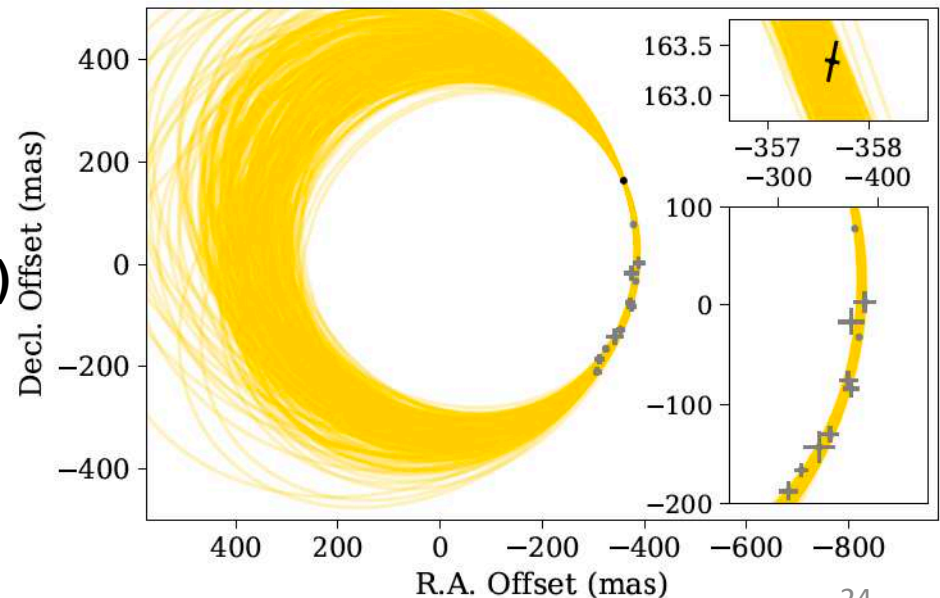
eso1905 — Science Release

GRAVITY instrument breaks new ground in exoplanet imaging

Cutting-edge VLTI instrument reveals details of a storm-wracked exoplanet using optical interferometry

27 March 2019

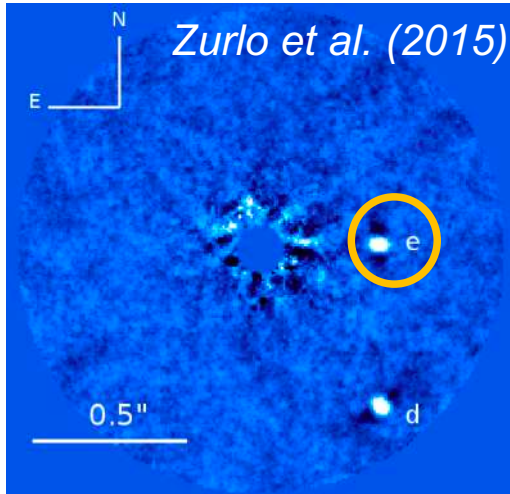
➔ **Very accurate astrometry (0.1 mas)**
Non-coplanar orbit



GRAVITY Collaboration, Lacour et al. (2019)

Atmospheric characterization with GRAVITY/VLTI

HR8799 e



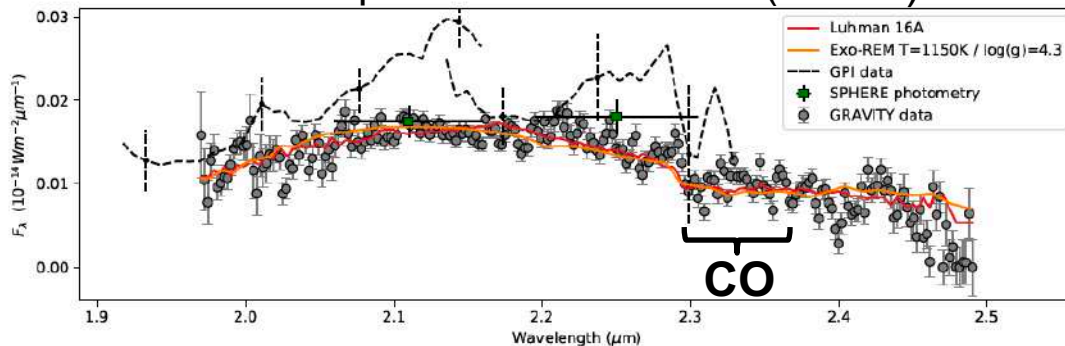
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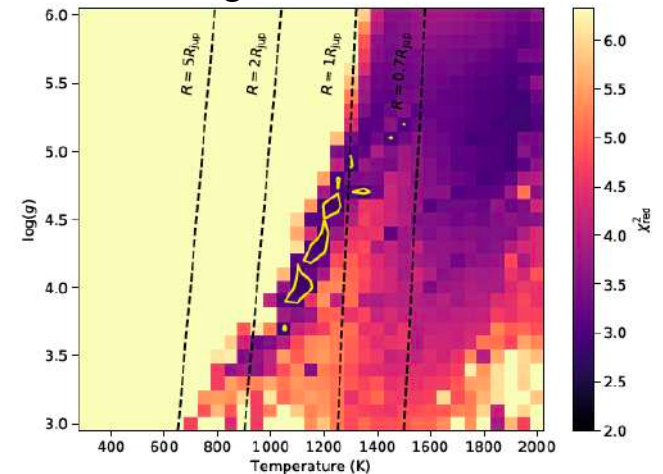
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K spectrum of HR8799e (R=500)



GRAVITY Collaboration, Lacour et al. (2019)

Fitting with Exo-REM



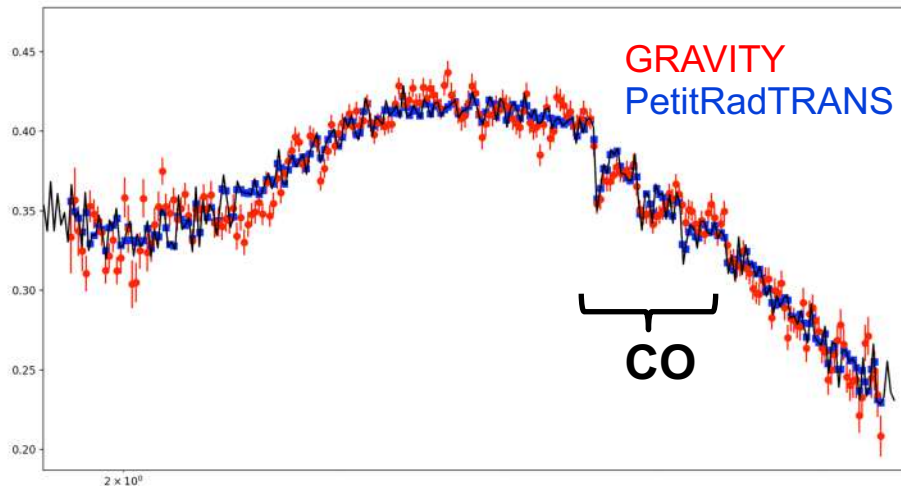
$T_{\text{eff}} \sim 1150 \text{ K}$ with thick clouds
CO dominated \Rightarrow chemical disequilibrium

Atmospheric characterization with GRAVITY/VLT

β Pictoris b

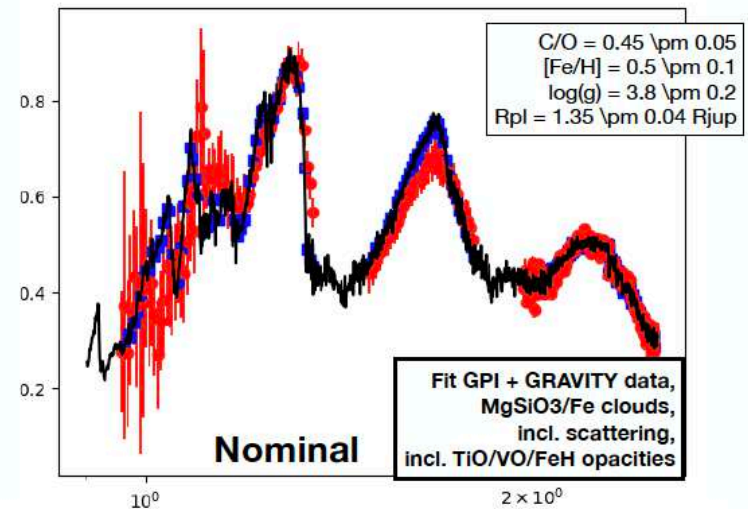


GRAVITY spectrum of *b* Pic b



Nowak et al. (in prep)

GRAVITY+GPI spectrum of *b* Pic b

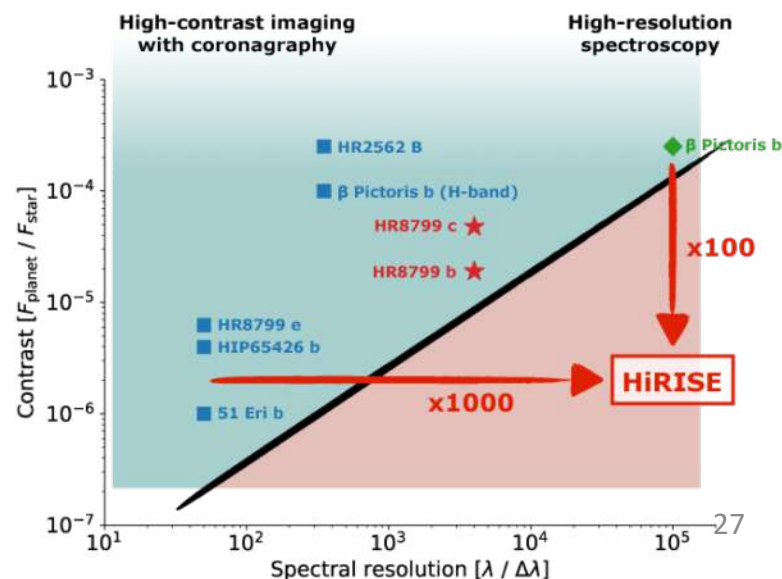
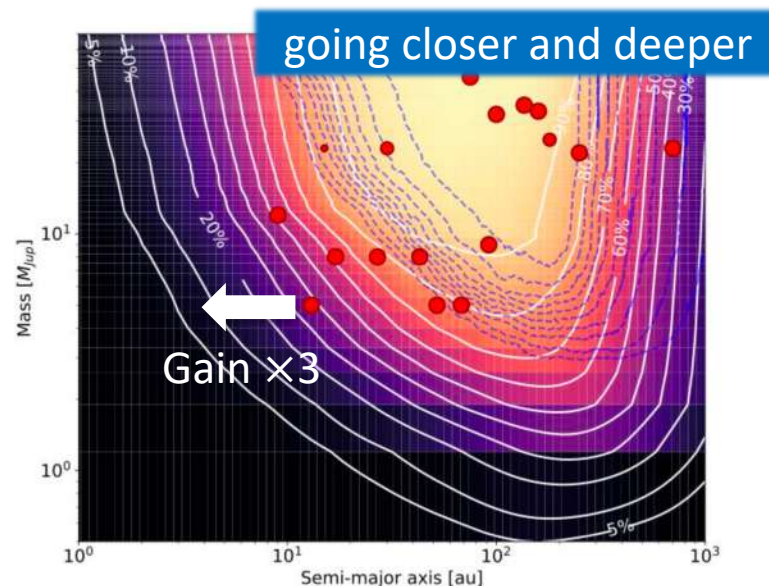


➡ Access to C/O in the K band (substellar value)

Complementarity with SPHERE & GPI
Preparation for futures observations (JWST, ELTs)

Futur improvements: SPHERE+

- **Decreasing inner working angle:**
XAO (DM) 1 kHz \Rightarrow 3kHz
- **Looking at fainter stars (ex Taurus):**
Wavefront Sensing : Pyramid in the IR
 \Rightarrow gain ~ 2 mag (G, M stars)
- **Medium Resolution:**
new spectrograph SPHERE
(for detection + characterization)
- **High Resolution:**
characterization by coupling with CRIRES+
(Project HiRISE, PI: A. Vigan)



Take-home messages

- **5 years since first light from SPHERE**
(>80 refereered publications on young giant planets, disks and solar system bodies)
- **2 new exoplanets**, including PDS 70 b, a unique case to test models of planetary formation and planet-disk interactions
- With other high-contrast instruments, **catalogue of young giant planets**
- Young giant exoplanets appear more cloudy than field brown dwarfs (same issue for transiting exoplanets)
- To measure molecular abundances in cloudy atmospheres, we need:
 - 1) longer wavelength (JWST, ARIEL)
 - 2) medium/high resolution (GRAVITY, ELTs, SPHERE+)

Young companions (Courtesy G. Chauvin)

