

# ARIEL

Enabling planetary science across light-years

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# PLANETS ARE UBIQUITOUS.

OUR GALAXY IS MADE OF GAS, STARS & PLANETS



There are at least as many planets as stars

Cassan et al, 2012; Batalha et al., 2015;

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EXOPLANETS TODAY: HUGE DIVERSITY



3700+ planets, 2700 planetary systems known in our galaxy



### TRUTH IS STRANGER THAN FICTION!





### **KEY EXOPLANET QUESTIONS**



- How diverse are exoplanets chemically?
- Does chemical diversity correlate with other parameters?
- How do planets form?
- How do planets evolve?



### HUGE DIVERSITY: WHY?



FORMATION & EVOLUTION PROCESSES? MIGRATION? INTERACTION WITH STAR?



### STAR & PLANET FORMATION/EVOLUTION



What we know: constraints from observations – Herschel, Alma, Solar System



Image credit ESA-Herschel, ALMA (ESO/NAOJ/NRAO), Marty et al, 2016; André, 2012;

## THE SUN'S PLANETS ARE COLD



### Some key O, C, N, S molecules are **not** in gas form





### WARM/HOT EXOPLANETS

### O, C, N, S (TI, VO, SI) MOLECULES ARE IN GAS FORM



### CHEMICAL MEASUREMENTS TODAY



SPECTROSCOPIC OBSERVATIONS WITH CURRENT INSTRUMENTS (HUBBLE, SPITZER)



- Precision of 20 ppm can be reached today by Hubble-WFC3
- Current data are sparse, instruments not absolutely calibrated
- < 40 planets analysed
- Not enough wavelength coverage
- Degeneracy of interpretation



### LARGE POPULATION OF WARM/HOT PLANETS

3.0k

 $2-4R_{\oplus}$ 

17.0k

>4*R*⊕

<1.25R<sub>@</sub> 1.25-2R<sub>@</sub>

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TODAY AND IN THE NEXT DECADE

**TESS yields** 

1.4k

10<sup>5</sup>

 $10^{4}$ 

10<sup>3</sup>

10<sup>2</sup>

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Sullivan et al., 2015

Number of planets

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# LARGE POPULATION OF WARM/HOT PLANETS



Selected out of 10,000 planets optimal for chemical observations



Parameter space to be sampled:

- Planet size (density)
- Temperature
- Stellar type
- Metallicity

### The sample should have ~ 1000 planets



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### ARIEL – KEY FACTS

- 1-m telescope, spectroscopy from VIS to IR
- Satellite in orbit around L2
- ~1000 exoplanets observed (rocky + gaseous)
- Simultaneous coverage 0.5-7.8 micron
- Payload consortium: 11 ESA countries









Aiming at 10 ppm stellar flux at multiple wavelengths



Through stable instrument, external calibration & proven postprocessing analysis

# ARIEL KEY SCIENCE QUESTIONS

### INDIVIDUAL PLANET

- Individual planet: Instant & short-term variability
  - Chemical composition
  - Atmospheric circulation + cloud pattern
  - Equilibrium or non-equilibrium chemistry?
  - Impact with stellar environment
- Individual planet: Formation & long-term evolution
  - Elemental composition
  - Coupling interior-atmosphere
  - Impact of stellar environment & system history





# ARIEL KEY SCIENCE QUESTIONS

LARGE POPULATION OF DIVERSE PLANETS

- Large population: Instant & short-term variability
  - Chemical diversity
  - Correlation chemistry other parameters
  - Correlation clouds-temperature-stellar-type
  - How fast atmospheres change through time?
- Large population: Formation & long-term evolution
  - Correlation elemental composition planet provenance
  - Correlation elemental composition stellar metallicity
  - Coupling atmosphere-interior through time
  - Transition between terrestrial planets and sub-Neptunes









(NON)-EQUILIBRIUM CHEMISTRY? ATMOSPHERIC CIRCULATION? CLOUD PATTERN?



Snap-shots of an animation available at: http://bit.ly/2kGL4Wz

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CORRELATION WITH ANY OTHER KEY PARAMETERS?







ARIEL WILL CLARIFY CORRELATION WITH THE DENSITY





# FERRESTRIAL-SUBNEPTUNES TRANSITION



ARE SUPER-EARTHS BIG TERRESTRIAL PLANETS, SMALL NEPTUNES? IS H/HE STILL THERE?

### Formation scenarios for small planets

### **ARIEL** observations for small planets





# IS ELEMENTAL COMPOSITION CORRELATED ...



... TO EXOPLANET PROVENANCE OR STELLAR METALLICITY?







### COLOUR-MAGNITUDE DIAGRAMS, CLOUD-CHARACTERISATION

 Colour-colour diagrams and colour-magnitude diagrams in the IR and VIS will allow to identify families of planets







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### ARIEL – KEY REQUIREMENTS

- > 0.6m<sup>2</sup> collecting area telescope, high throughput
- Diffraction limited performance beyond 3 microns; minimal FoV required
- Observing efficiency of > 85%
- Brightest Target:  $K_{mag} = 3.25$  (HD219134);
- Faintest target: K<sub>mag</sub> = 8.8 (GJ1214)
- Photon noise dominated
- Temporal resolution of 90 seconds (goal 1s for phot. channels)
- Average observation time = 7.7 hours, separated by 70° on sky from next target
- Continuous spectral coverage between spectral bands.



Channel Name	Wavelength (µm)	Spectral Resolution Reqt / Design	
VisPhot	0.5 – 0.55	Photometer	
FGS-1	0.8 – 1.0	Photometer	
FGS-2	1.05 – 1.2	Photometer	
NIRSpec	1.25 – 1.95	R≥10 / 20 – 25	
AIRS-Ch0	1.95 – 3.9	R≥100 / 102 – 180	
AIRS-Ch1	3.9 – 7.8	R≥30 / 30 – 64	



































## ARIEL – MISSION DESIGN

- Launch direct to large amplitude orbit around L2 by Ariane 6-2
  - Alternative flight profiles possible including shared launch

- Six months: transfer to L2, cooldown, commissioning and performance verification phase; followed by 3.5 years of routine science operations
- Wet Mass: < 1300kg
- Power: < 957 W
- Data Rate: 25 Gbits / day









# PAYLOAD: TELESCOPE & COMMON OPTICS





- Eccentric pupil Cassegrain telescope (M1 + M2) plus off-axis paraboloidal mirror (M3) and plane folding (M4)
- Collecting area of > 0.6 m<sup>2</sup> with diffraction limited performance for wavelengths  $\ge 3 \ \mu m$  across 30" FoV
- Throughput at EOL of > 78% across wavelengths  $0.5 7.8 \,\mu m$
- Dichroics separate various spectral & photometric channels



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Monte-Carlo simulation of centroiding error for FGS for all brightness levels showing <10mas centroiding error in presence of all noise sources

### PAYLOAD: AIRS



- Two channels of prism spectrometers with similar design
- Detectors baselined Teledyne H1RG and derivatives, but design open to European detector alternatives currently being developed



Hg<sub>1-x</sub>Cd<sub>x</sub>Te epilayer grown by LPE process Size 36\*38 mm<sup>2</sup>





### PERFORMANCE MODELLING: EXOSIM



### EXOSIM: STELLAR SPOTS



### STELLAR VARIABILITY: CORRECTING THE EFFECTS OF SPOTS



### EXOSIM: PULSATION AND GRANULATION



STELLAR VARIABILITY: CORRECTING THE EFFECTS OF PULSATION & GRANULATION



### NOISE BUDGET – FAINTEST TARGET



### ARIEL IS PHOTON NOISE LIMITED FOR ALL TARGETS



### GROUND SEGMENT & DATA POLICY



- ESA provided MOC and SOC are complimented and supported by distributed consortium Instrument Operations and Science Data Centre (IOSDC).
- Science community extensively engaged prior to launch and during operation in definition of target list through Science Team and whitepapers

•	Long term observation planning defined by IOSDC, reviewed throughout operations	Data Level	Description	Comments
		Level 0	Raw Telemetry	As sent from MOC to SOC
		Level 1	Raw Spectral cubes of frames	Formatted cubes of raw detector images
•	<ul> <li>Open Data Policy: All data released quarterly once required SNR reached</li> </ul>	Level 2	Extracted target spectra (star + planet)	In physical units as f(time) with instrument signatures removed
		Level 3	Individual spectra of planets	Stacking of multiple revisits & extraction of planet spectra

# MISSION RESPONSIBILITIES

- Clear division between ESA / Prime & single Payload Consortium
- Responsibilities within payload are clearly defined
  - Based on modular design and test approach to simplify interfaces and management
- Ground Segment responsibility share between ESA and Consortium also well defined and mature (MOC / SOC / IOSDC)





Consortium Study Management Team

### PROGRAM PLANNING



### • Schedule analysis shows feasibility for launch in 2026 with appropriate margin

- Technical development to retire key remaining risks planned for early phase B
- More details on overall M4 planning from ESA presentation shortly



# SYNERGIES/COMPLEMENTARITIES WITH OTHER **OBSERVATORIES**

The chemical survey of 1000 diverse exoplanets is unique to ARIEL

- Exoplanet detection missions: more planets for • ARIEL!!!!
- Gaia & PLATO will also provide a better • knowledge of the stellar environment
- Cheops will refine planet parameters •





# SYNERGIES/COMPLEMENTARITIES WITH OTHER OBSERVATORIES

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- Two observatories with IR spectroscopic capabilities
  - JWST (NIRISS, NIRCAM, NIRSPEC, MIRI)
  - ELT (MICADO, Harmoni, METIS, + )

• Not dedicated to exoplanets



To be launched in 2018

**JWST Science Themes** 

First light expected in 2024



### SYNERGIES/COMPLEMENTARITIES WITH JWST



### JWST CANNOT OBSERVE 1000 PLANETS



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### WHY 10 TIMES FEWER TARGETS THAN ARIEL ?

A LARGER TELESCOPE DOES NOT MAKE A TRANSIT SHORTER...

 $(S/N)_{jwst} \propto D_{tel} * t_{obs}^{(1/2)}$  (Star Photon noise limited)

- Fixed observing time for a transit :  $T_{obs}$  = about 2 \*  $T_{transit}$
- JWST needs 4 instrumental settings (and then 4 transits) to cover the ARIEL wavelength range
- JWST limited time devoted to exoplanets (at best 25%)





## ARIEL OPTIMAL DESIGN & PERFORMANCES





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### SYNERGIES/COMPLEMENTARITIES WITH ELT



ELT CANNOT OBSERVE 1000 PLANETS

- In the 3 instruments of first generation, METIS (L, M bands) will be well suited to exoplanets studies complementary to ARIEL
- Combining ELT High spectral resolution (R=100 000), large collecting area and high spatial resolution
  - access to individual molecular lines  $\rightarrow$  access to line broadenings, line shifts  $\rightarrow$  rotation, weak lines (see for example Snellen et al.  $\beta$ -Pic b)
- High spectral resolution in the visible, near IR, (HIRES) has to wait for second generation instrumentation plan (about 2030)



### SYNERGIES/COMPLEMENTARITIES WITH ELT HIGHLY COMPLEMENTARY TO LARGE, GROUND-BASED FACILITIES **E-ELT** Simulations 0.0218 0.0008 Fitted model 0.0006 Observed Signal 0.0216 0.0004 0.0002 0.0214 å 0.0000 -0.0002 2.30 2.32 2.29 2.31 Wavelength $(\mu m)$ 0.0212 ARIEL spectra give the continuum 0.0210 at broad wavelength range 0.5 0.7 8 З Wavelength (µm) **ARIEL – ESA M4 Paris presentation**

# EUROPE IS WELL POSITIONED TO DO ARIEL

- Serious resources invested to be at the forefront of exoplanet detection (surveys from the ground, Corot, Cheops, PLATO)
- Builds on heritage from ESA's previous successful IR and sub-millime astronomical missions:
  - Instruments on the Infrared Space Observatory (ISO),
  - Instruments on Herschel Space Observatory,
  - MIRI for the forthcoming JWST
  - the Planck thermal system
- Solar System space instruments on Venus Express, Mars Express, JUICE, Cassini, Rosetta, Mars TGO...
- 12 ERC-funded programs to interpret exoplanet spectra, predict atmospheric dynamics, chemistry, formation and structure of the interior





### ARIEL – CONCLUSIONS

- ARIEL will enable us to understand why planets in our galaxy are so diverse and how they evolve
- ARIEL will do so by delivering the first chemical survey of ~ 1000 exoplanets, probing uniformly the gamut of planet and stellar parameters
- ARIEL will do for exoplanets what Herschel did for star formation
   and what ALMA is doing for disk evolution
- ARIEL science will provide a galactic perspective to the history and nature of our Solar System









### Time is ripe for this endeavour and Europe is ready for it



