

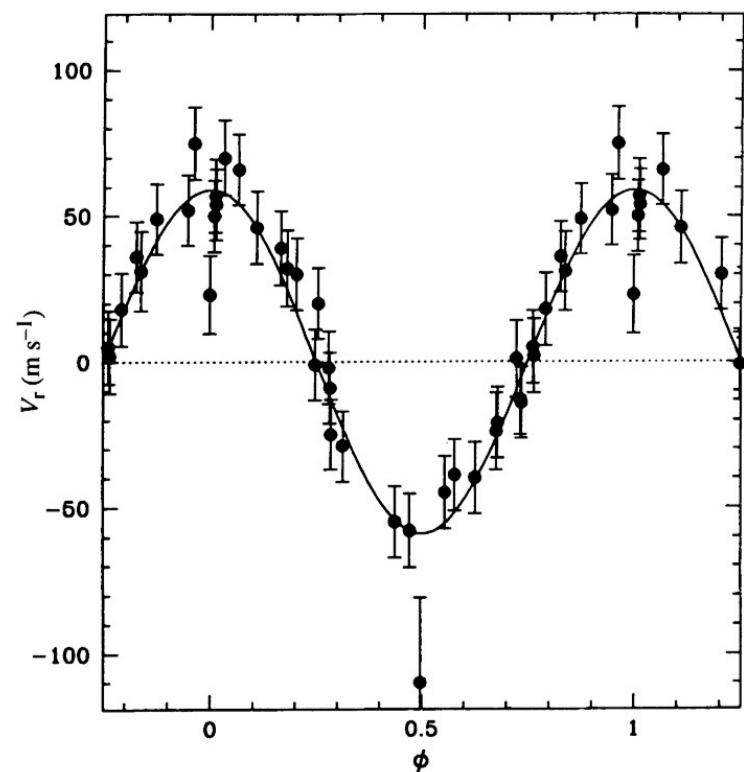
Exoplanet evolution and habitability

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Radial velocity discovery of 51 Peg b

$M \sin i = 0.46 M_J$
 $a = 0.05 \text{ au}$

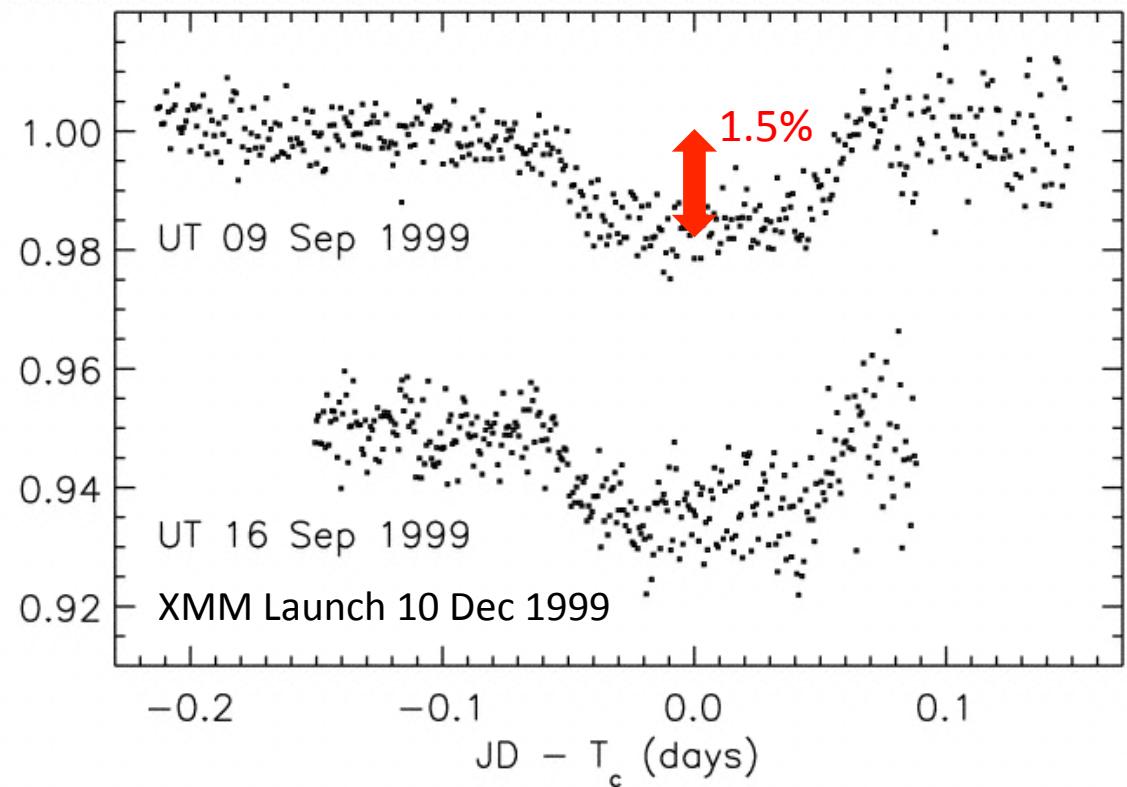
Mayor & Queloz 1995



Transits detected for HD209458b

$M = 0.7 M_J$
 $a = 0.05 \text{ au}$
 $R = 1.4 R_J$

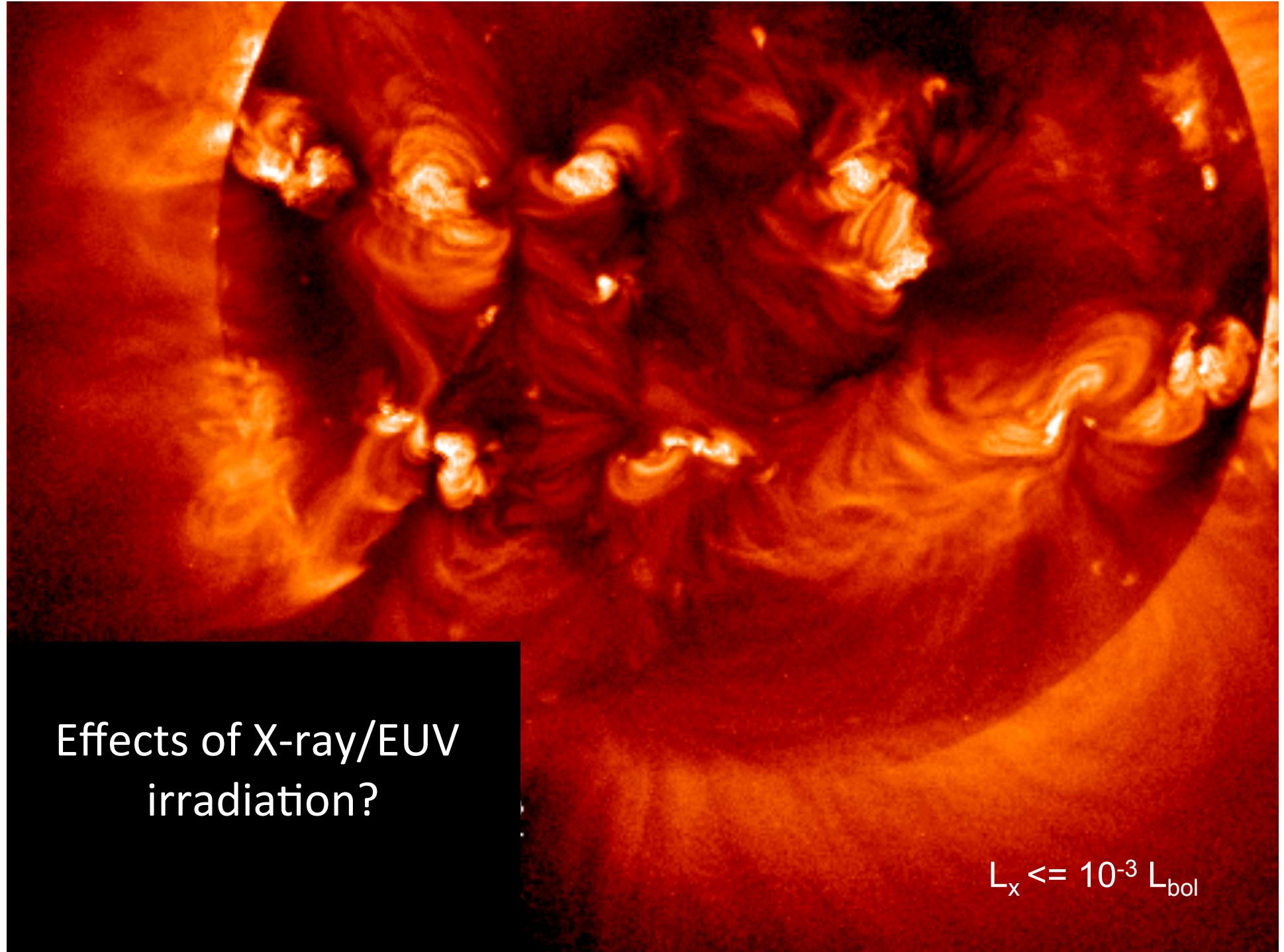
Henry et al 2000
Charbonneau et al 2000



Star-Planet Interactions

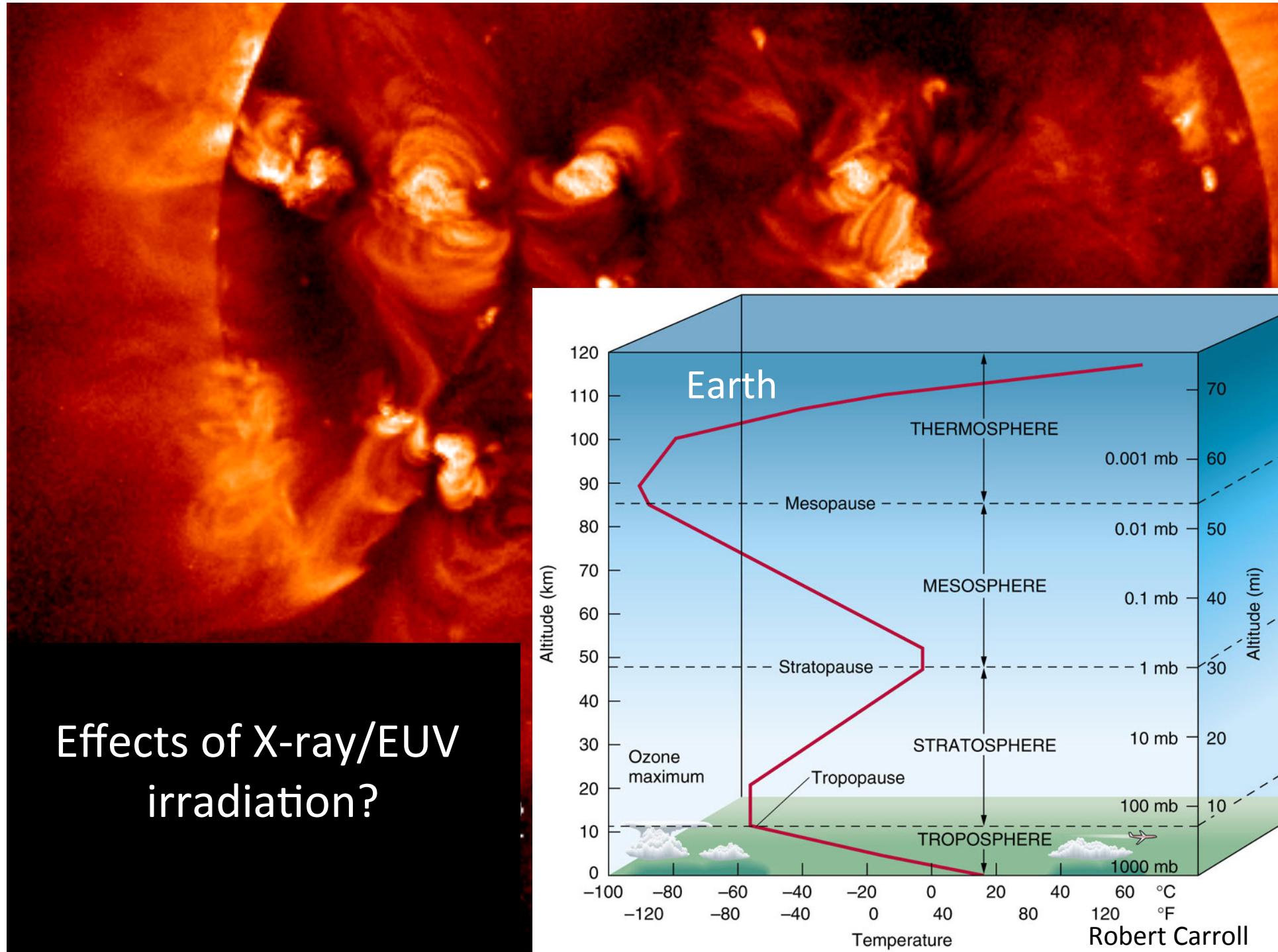
- X-ray/EUV irradiation of planets
 - This talk
- Magnetic interactions, e.g.
 - Orbital modulation of activity indicators, Sholnik+03,05,08
 - Triggered flaring or accretion, Pillitteri+10,11, Maggio+15
- Tidal interactions, e.g.
 - Enhancing X-ray emission, Poppenhaeger+14, Miller+15
 - Suppressing X-ray emission, Miller+12, Pillitteri+14

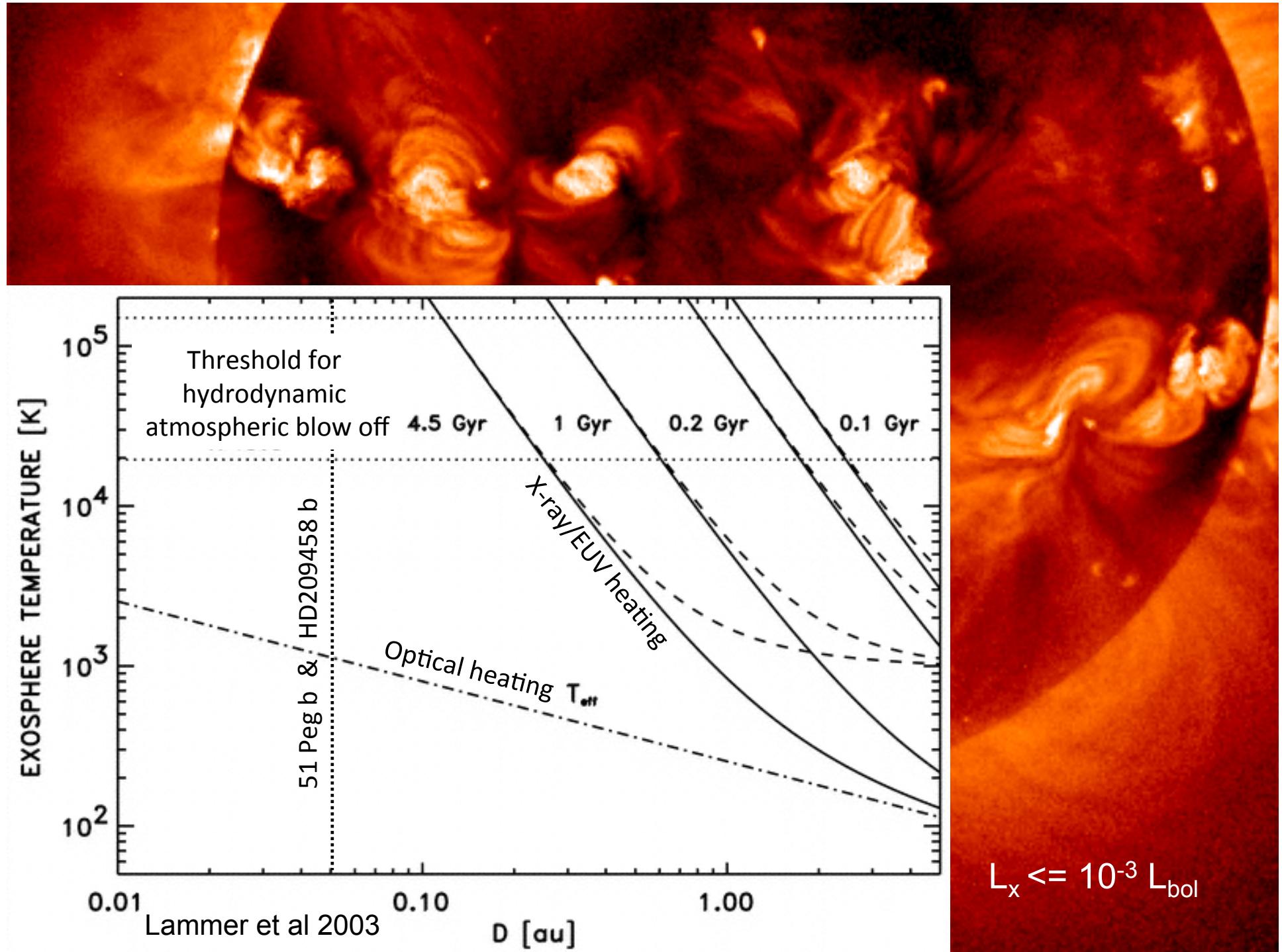
Talk by Antonio Maggio this afternoon...



Effects of X-ray/EUV
irradiation?

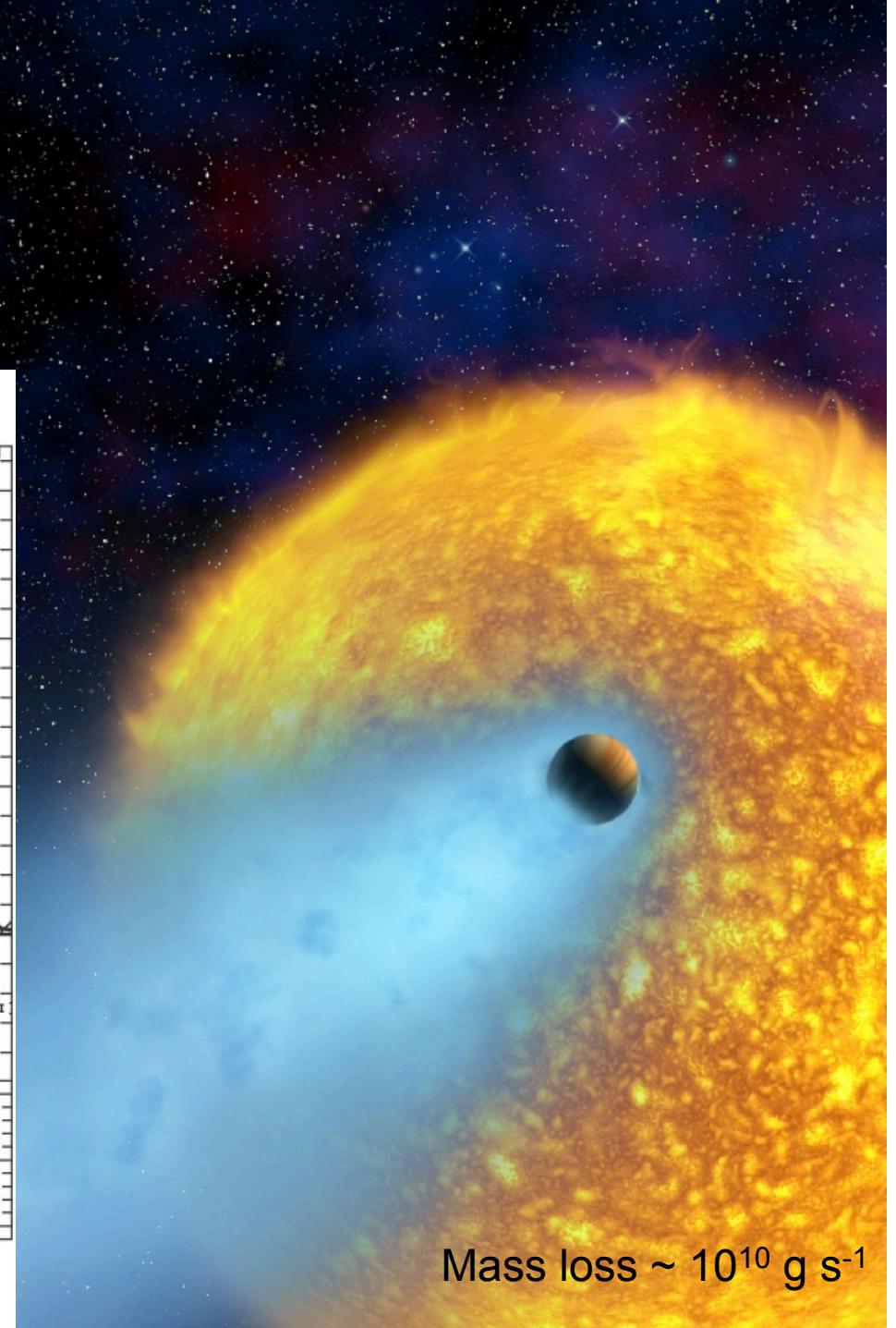
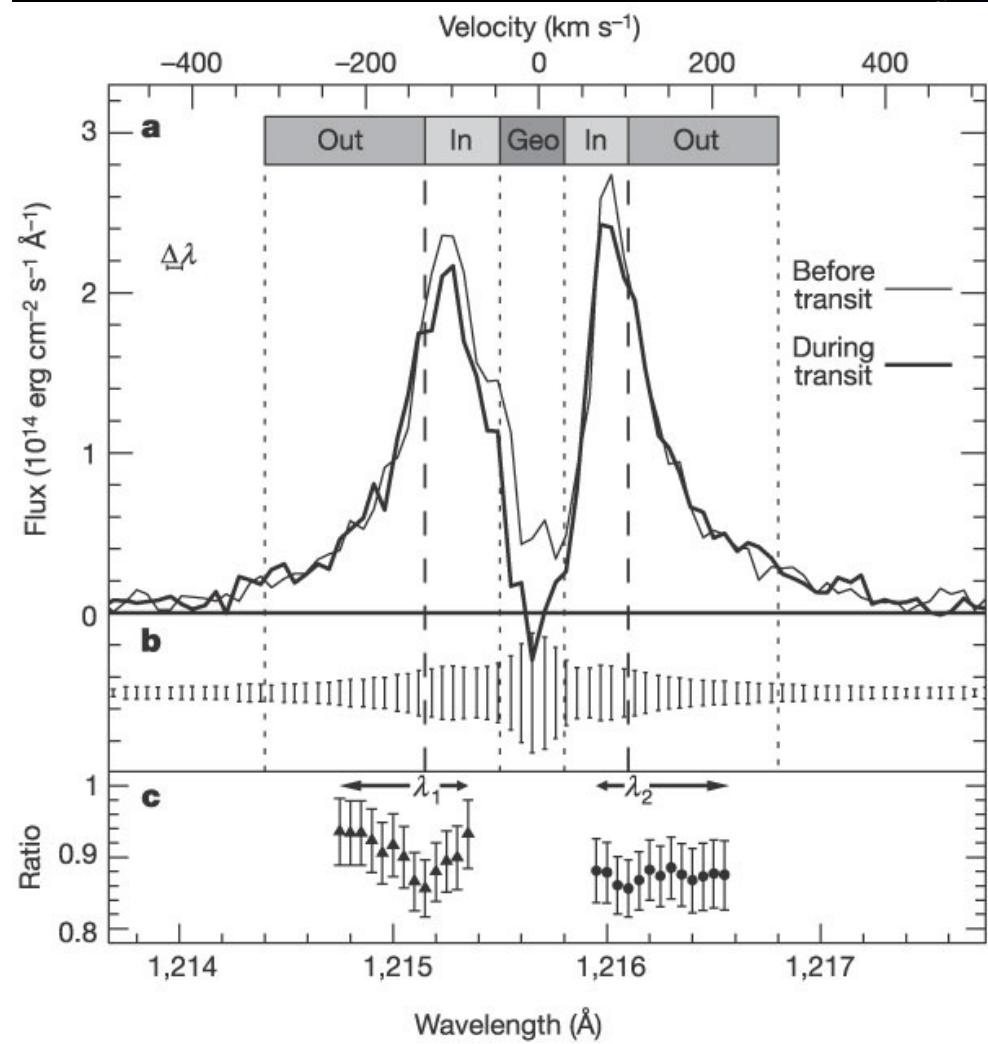
$$L_x \leq 10^{-3} L_{bol}$$





Exoplanet evaporation

Lyman-alpha transit of HD209458b
Vidal-Madjar et al 2003

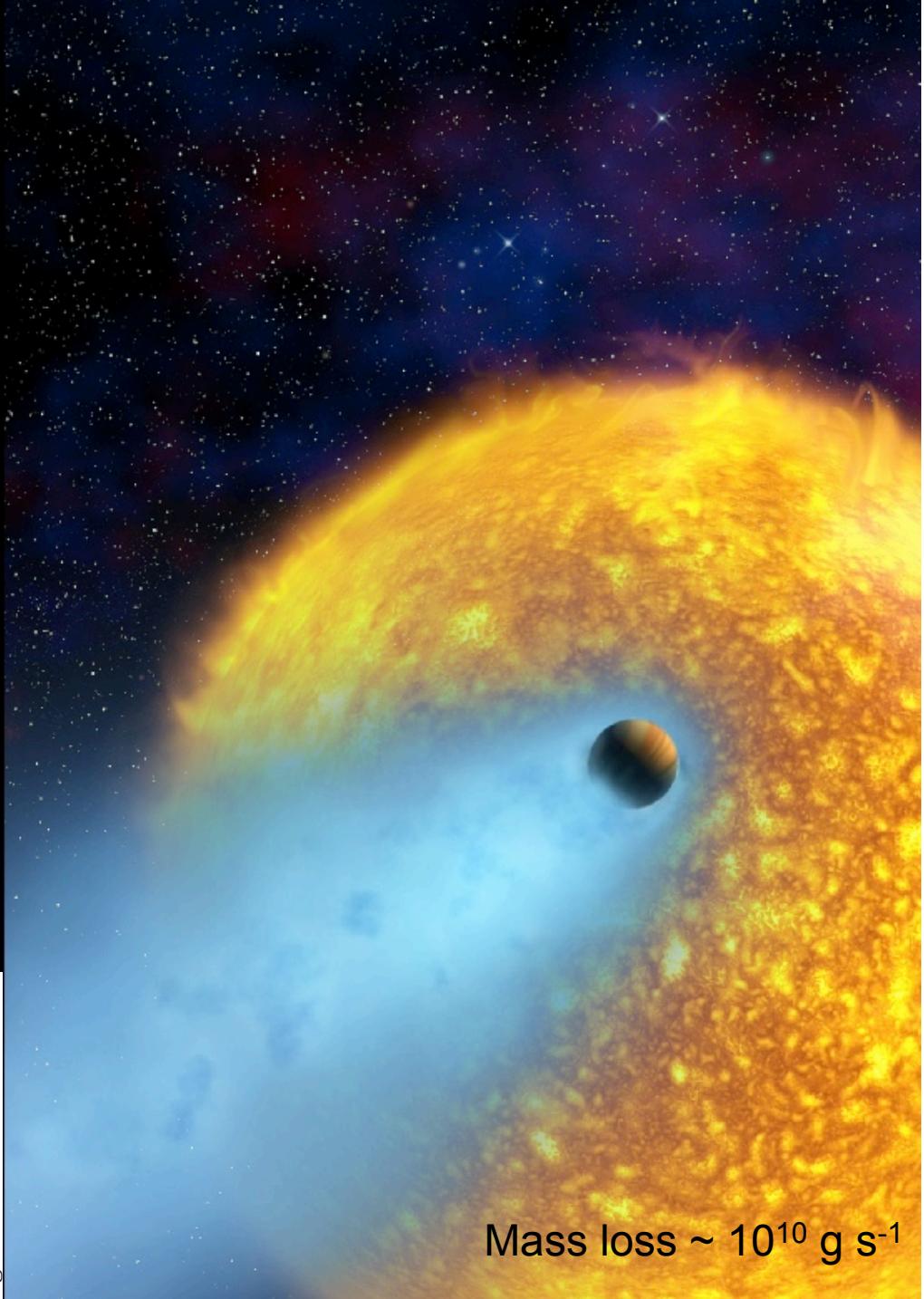
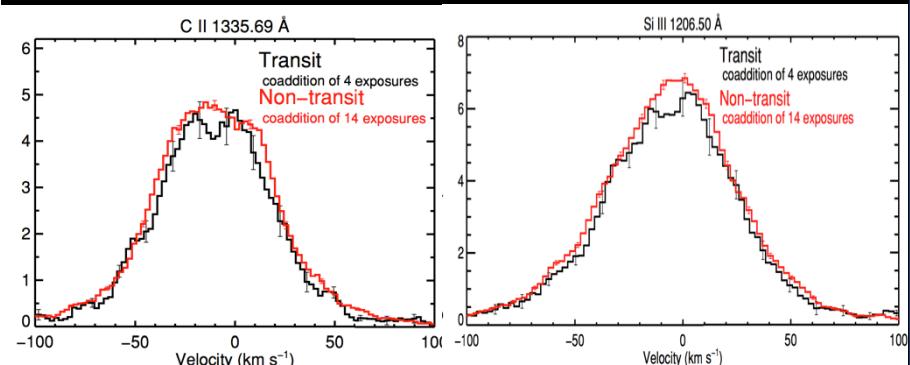


Exoplanet evaporation

Subsequent detection of heavy elements demonstrated hydrodynamical blow-off

- H I Vidal-Madjar et al 2003
- O I, C II Vidal-Madjar et al 2004
- C II, Si III Linsky et al 2010
- Mg I Vidal-Madjar et al 2013

Linsky et al 2010

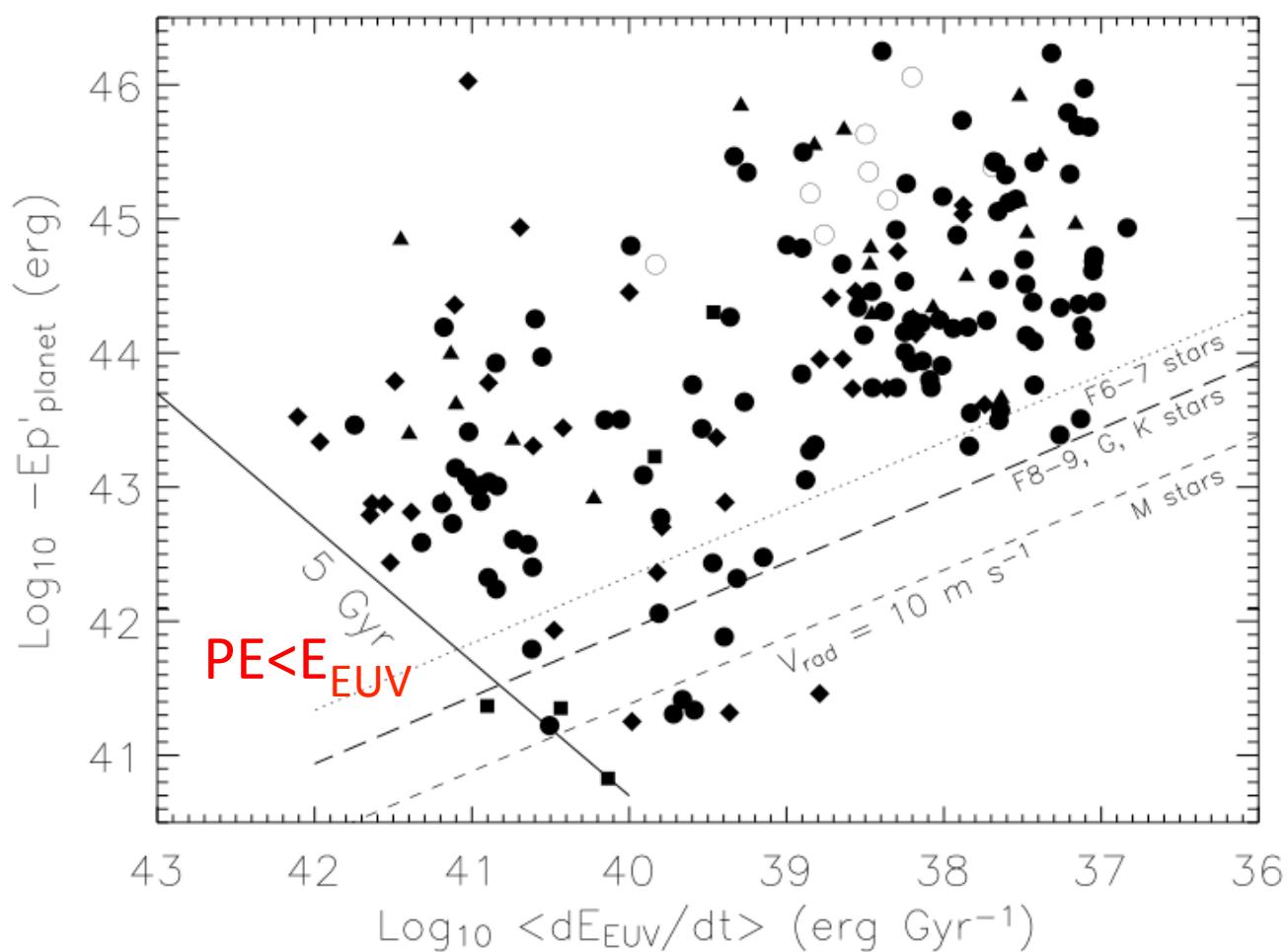


Mass loss $\sim 10^{10} \text{ g s}^{-1}$

Is evaporation significant for exoplanet evolution?

Evaporation Energy diagram

Lecavalier des Etangs 2007

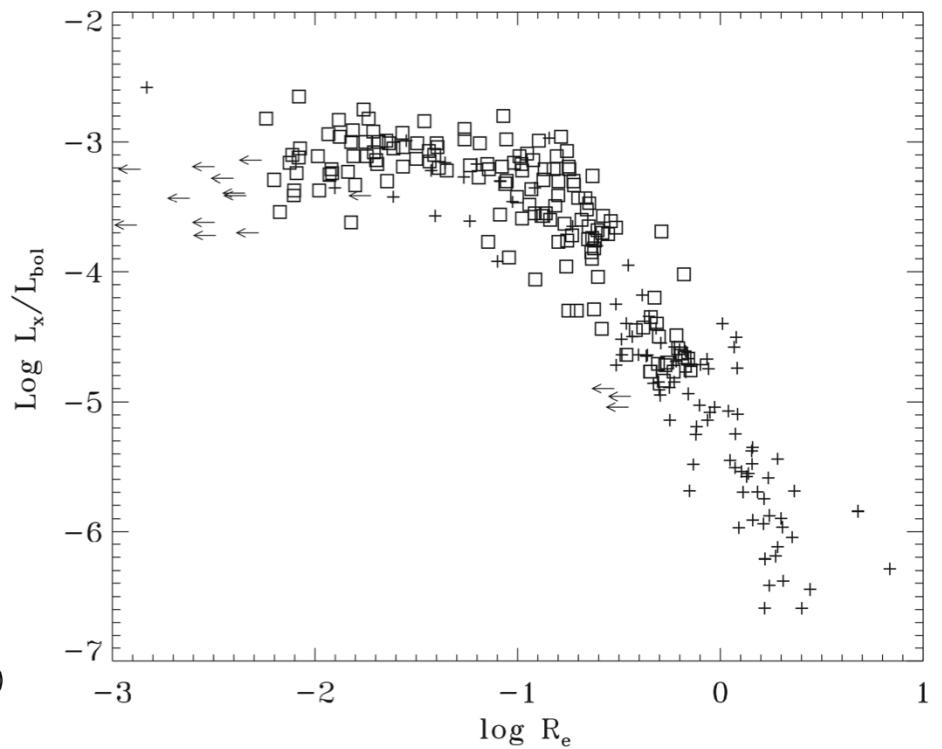
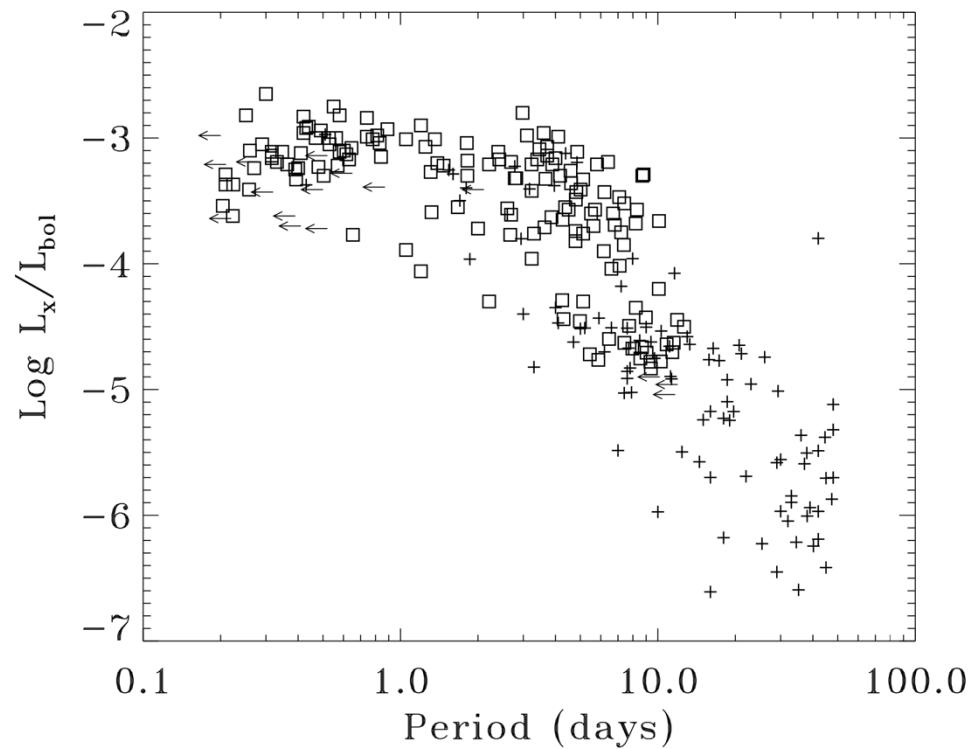


Planets with binding energies less than 5 Gyr of accumulated X-ray/EUV irradiation are missing.

Although these are mainly radial velocity planets with assumed constant X-ray/EUV flux

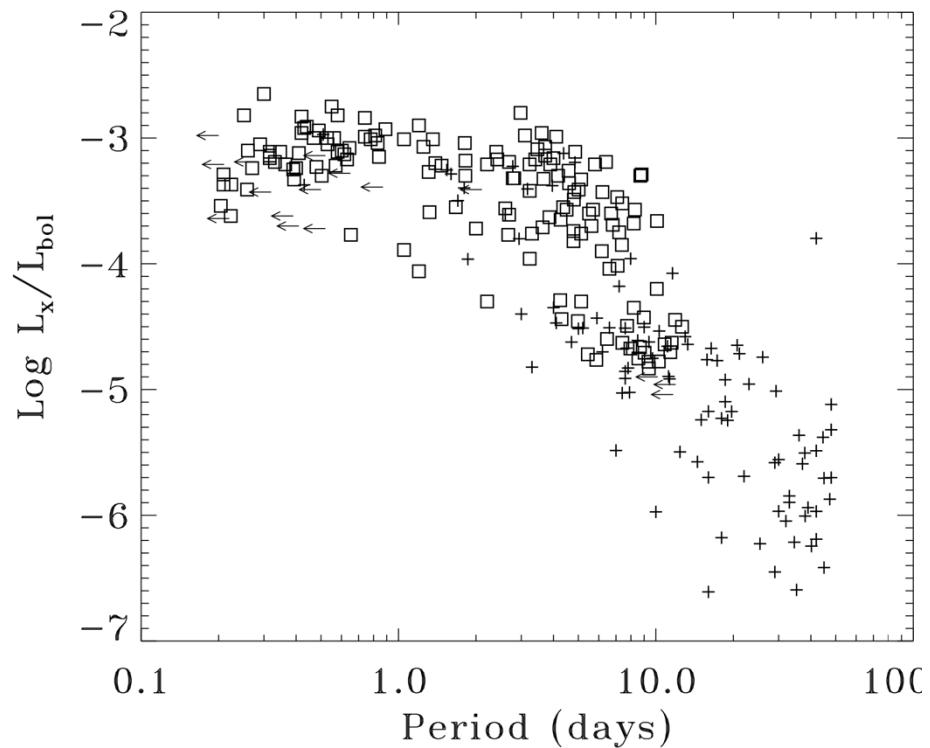
Late-type stellar X-ray emission

Pizzolato et al 2003

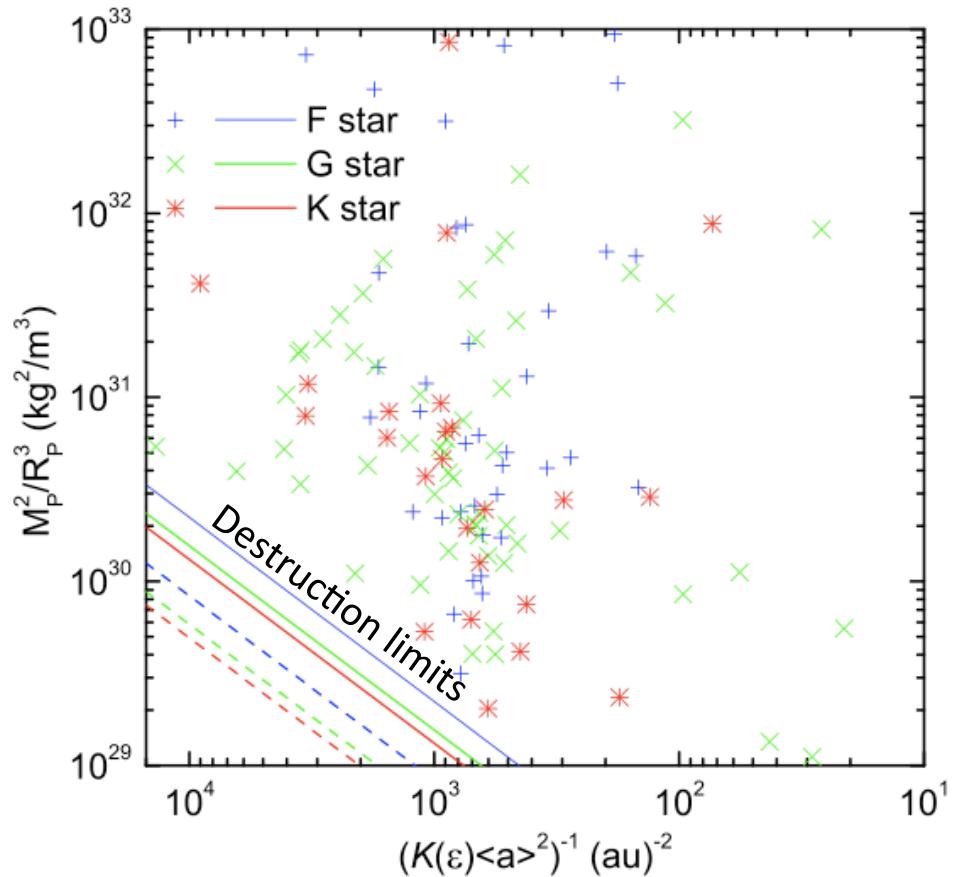


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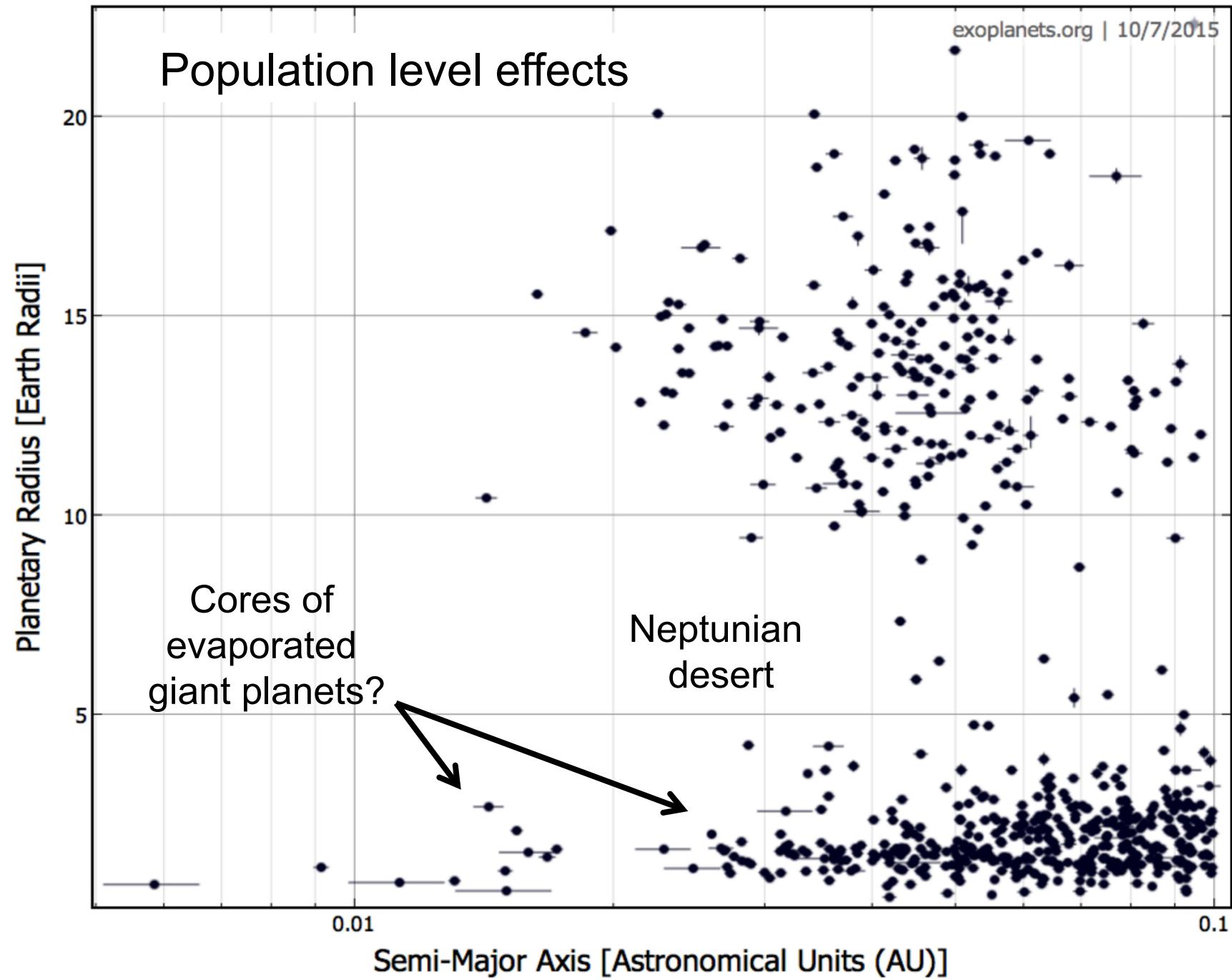
Pizzolato et al 2003



Jackson, Davis & Wheatley 2012

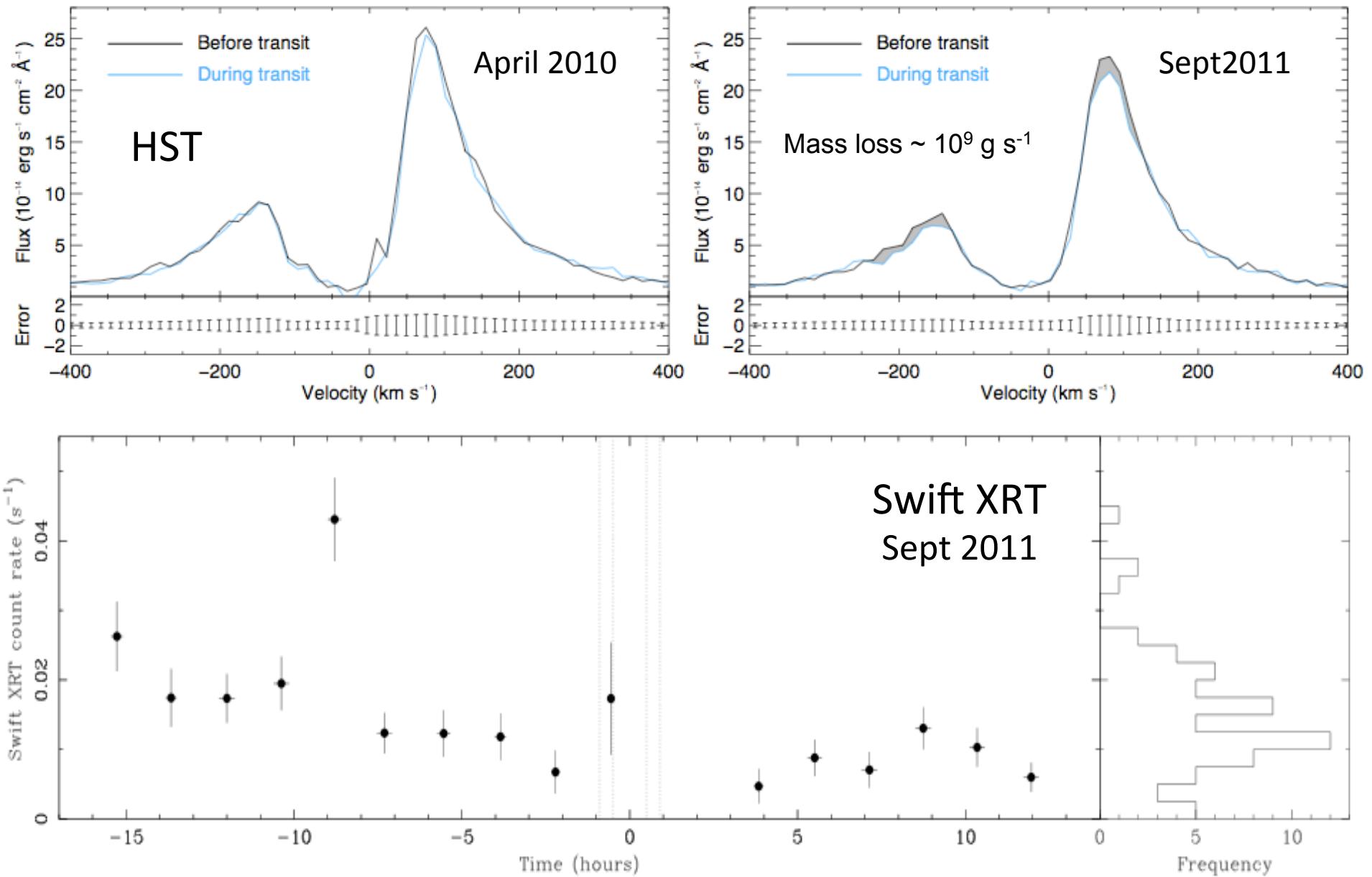


Only transiting exoplanets and accounting for history of X-ray/EUV emission



Variable atmospheric escape from hot Jupiter HD189733b

Lecavelier des Etangs, Bourier, Wheatley et al, 2012

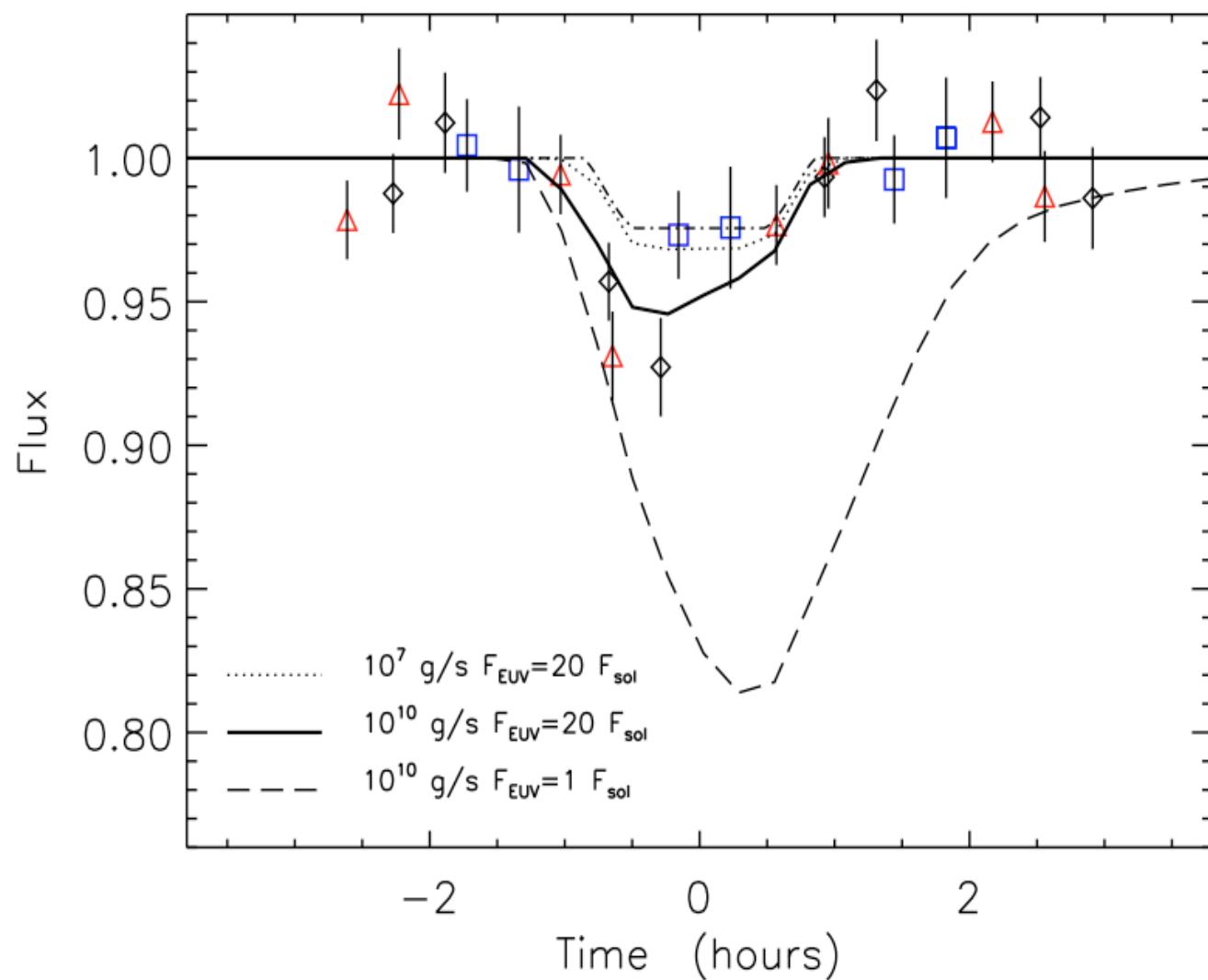


Simultaneous X-ray/UV observations needed for mass loss rate

X-ray/EUV flux provides energy driving mass loss, but also photoionises the escaping gas

HD189733b

Lecavalier des Etangs et al 2010

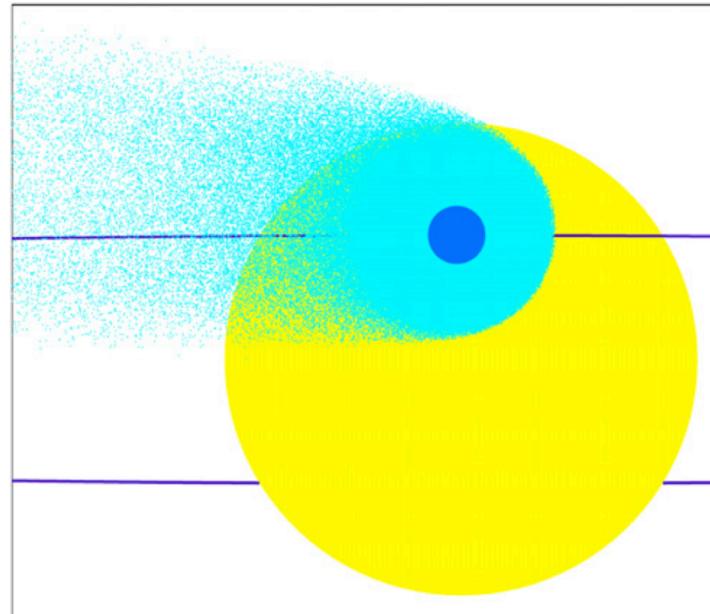


3d particle modeling of planetary wind

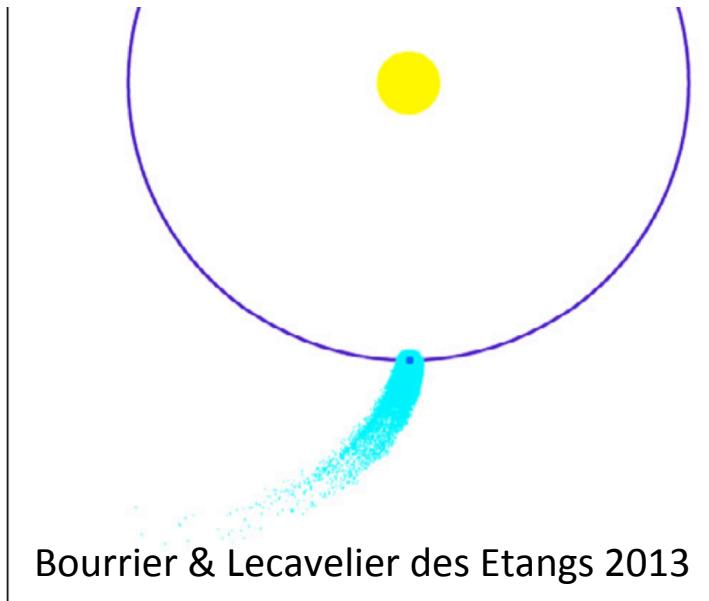
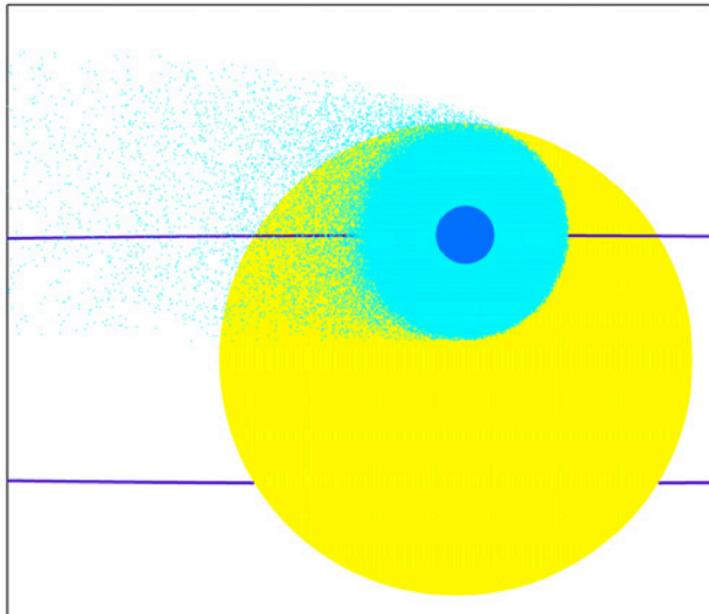
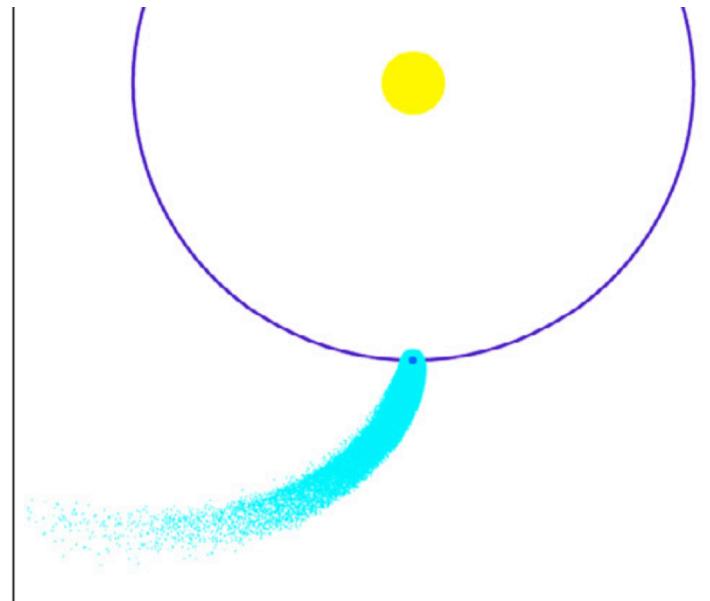
Low EUV flux, weak mass loss

High EUV flux, strong mass loss

From Earth



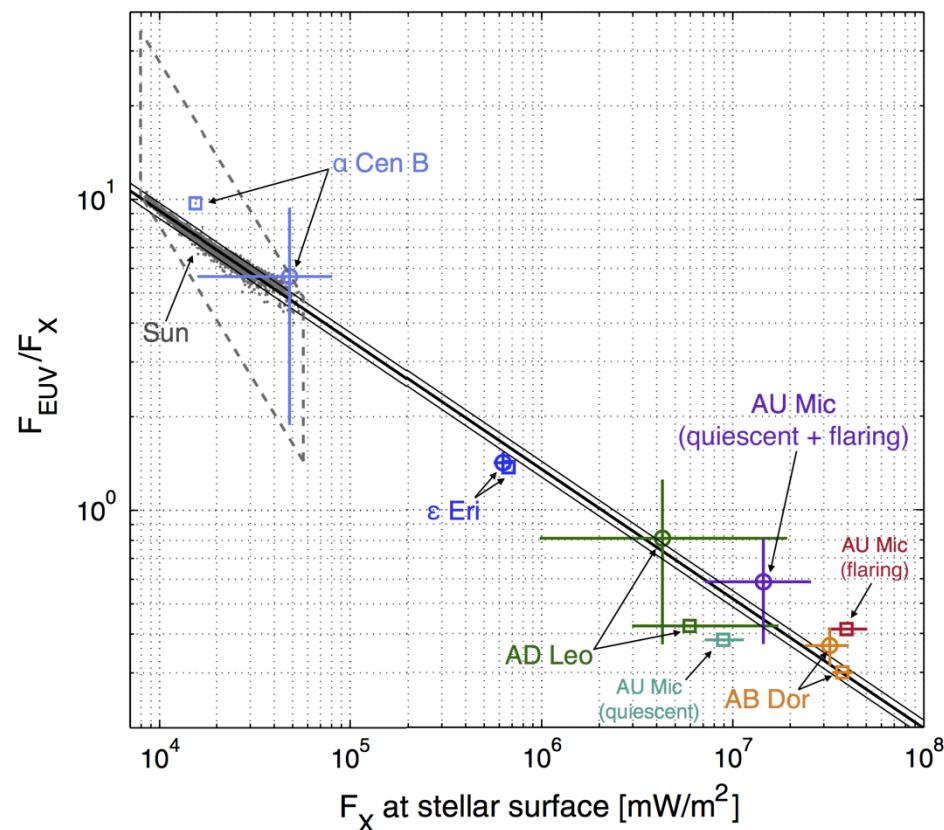
From above



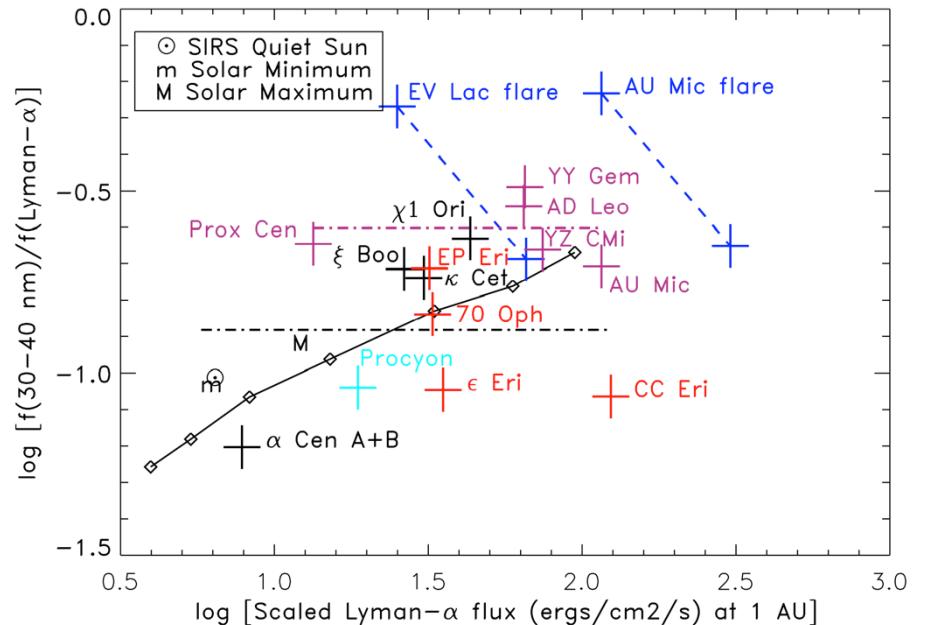
Bourrier & Lecavelier des Etangs 2013

How to determine the EUV spectrum?

- 1) Extrapolate from X-rays using Solar spectrum
Chadney et al 2015, King et al (in prep)

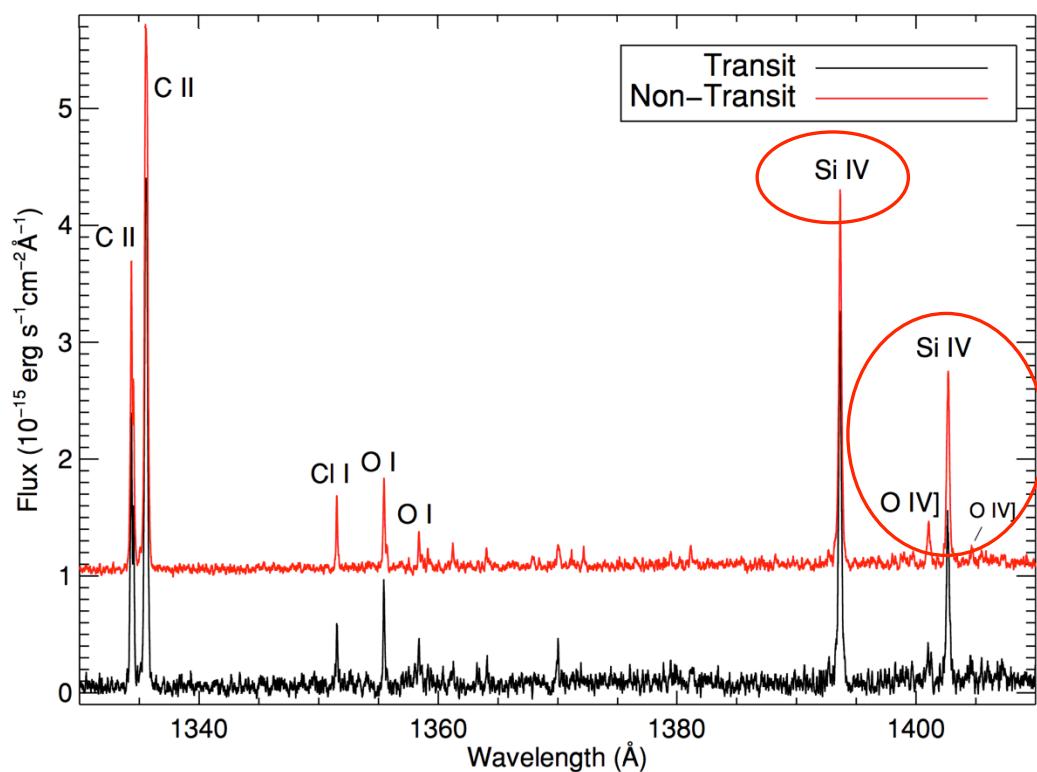


- 2) Extrapolate from Lyman-alpha using Solar spectrum and EUVE data
Linsky et al 2014, Youngblood et al 2016

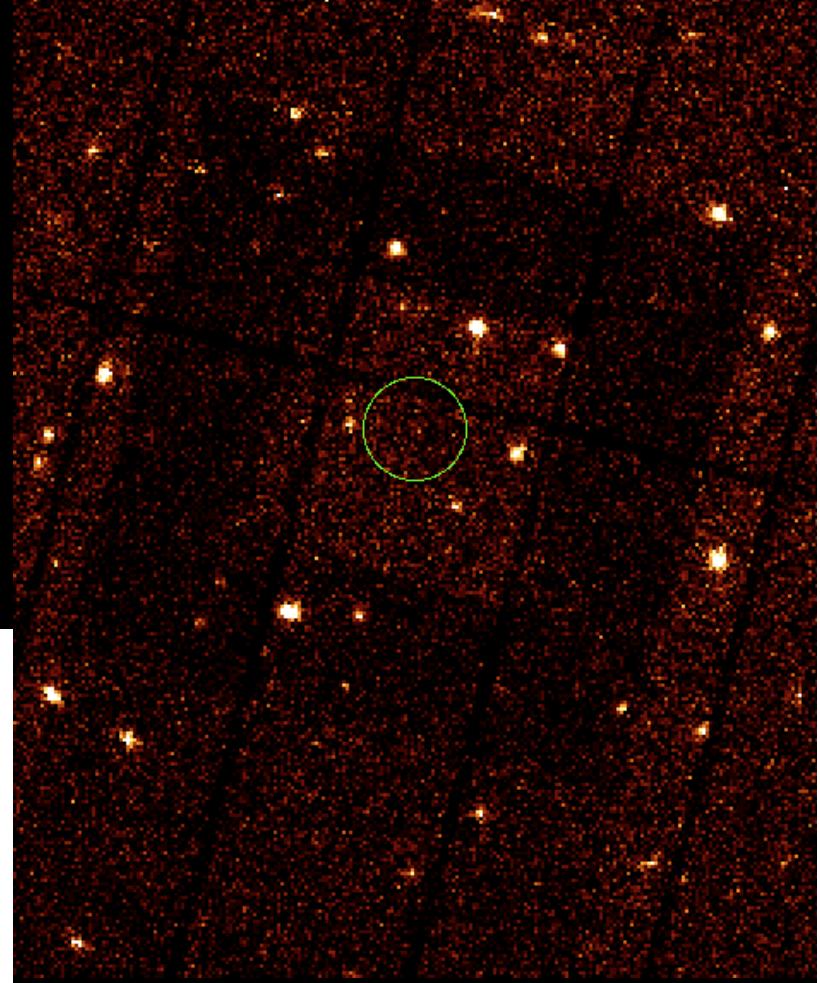


3) EUV spectrum can be reconstructed from X-rays and high-excitation UV lines

HST COS spectrum of HD209458



Linsky et al 2010



HD209458 with XMM
Louden, Wheatley & Briggs 2016

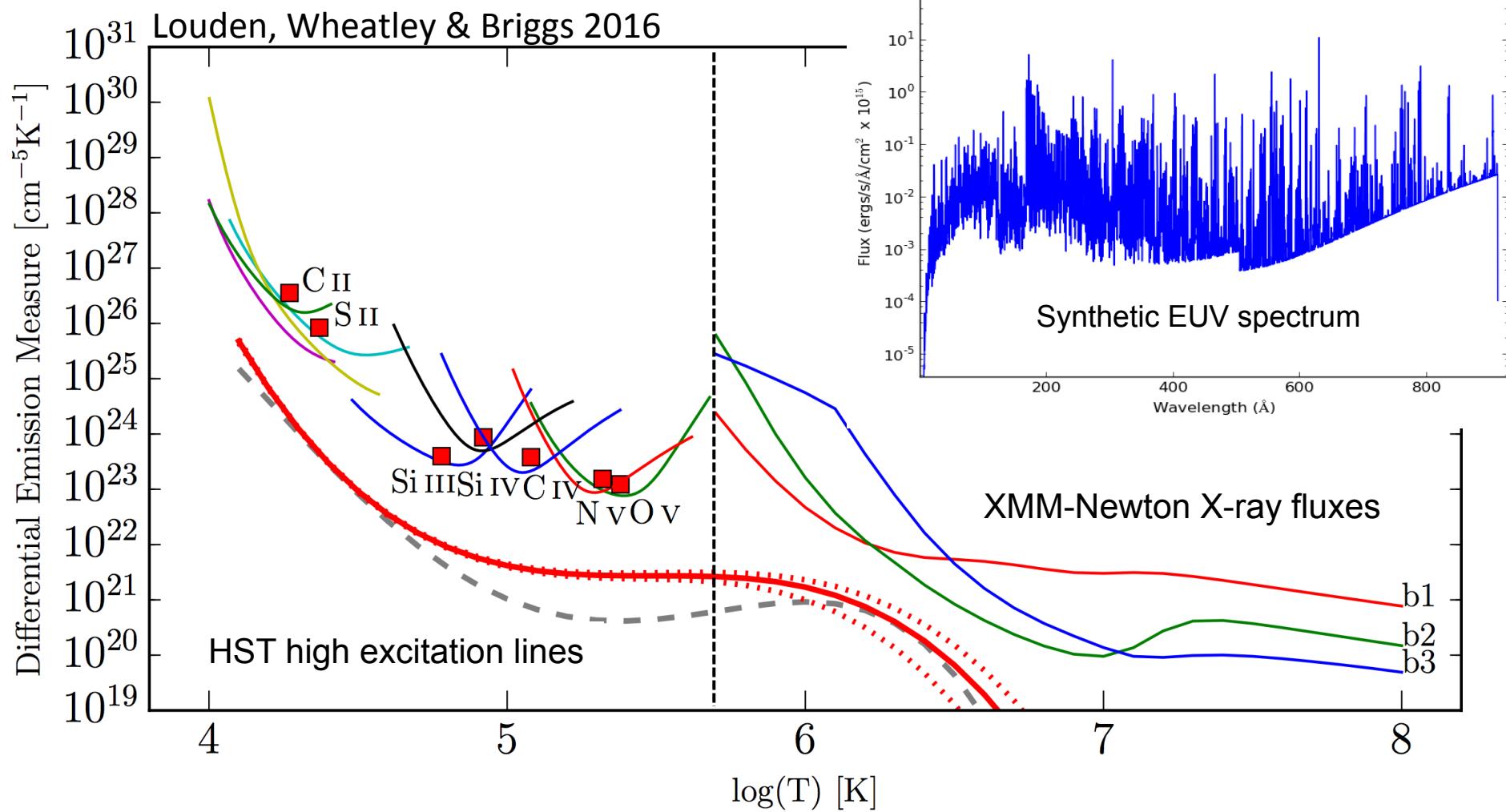
Mass loss rate found to be
 $8-40 \times 10^{10} \text{ g/s}$ from CII
lines assuming solar
C abundance

Reconstructing the EUV irradiation of HD209458b

EUV and X-ray emission
similar to quiet Sun
 $L_{\text{EUV}} = 9 \times 10^{27} \text{ erg/s}$

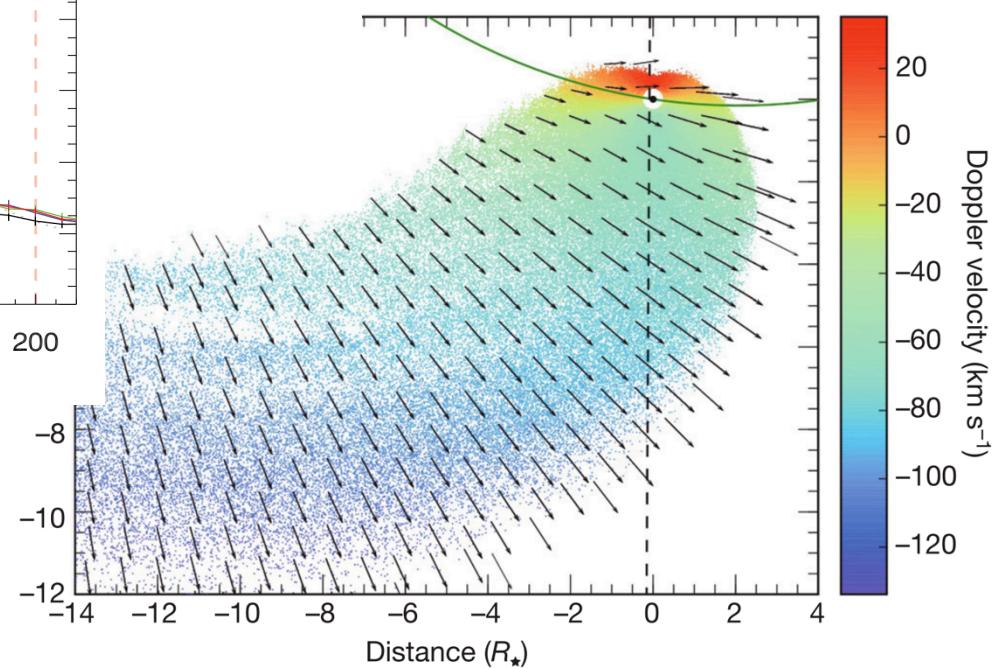
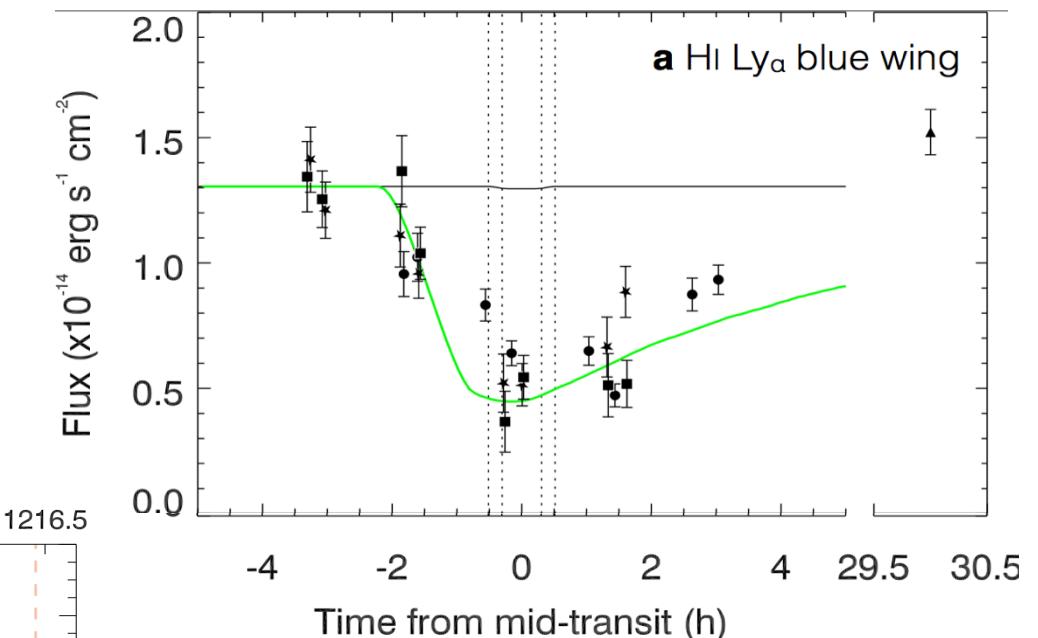
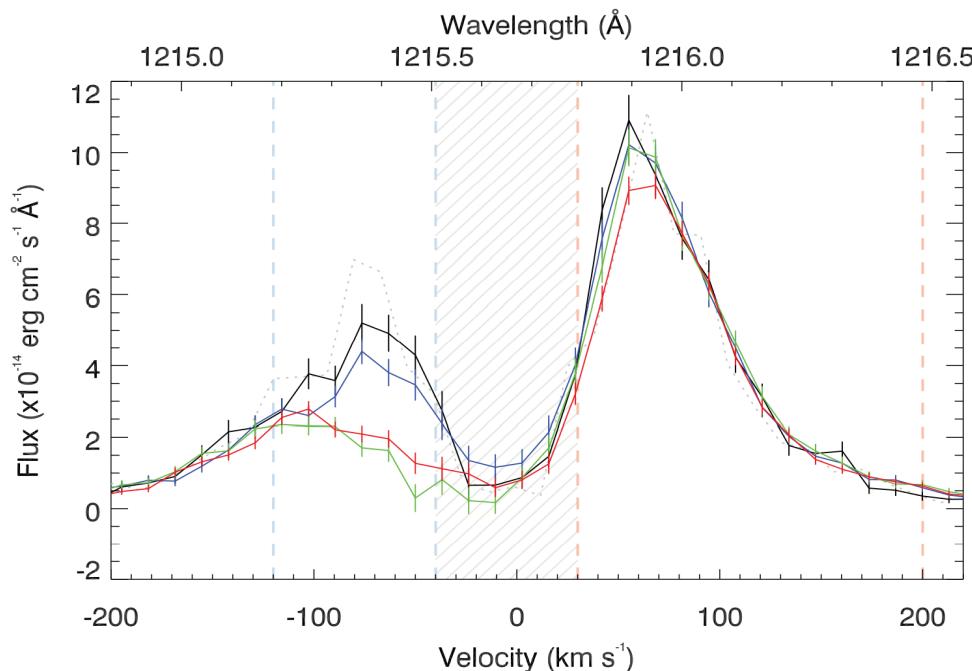
Energy limited mass
loss = $10 \times 10^{10} \text{ g/s}$
at 100% efficiency

c.f. $8-40 \times 10^{10} \text{ g/s}$
estimate from the same
COS data by Linsky+10



Evaporation of Neptune GJ 436b

Ehrenreich, Bourrier, Wheatley et al
2015 Nature



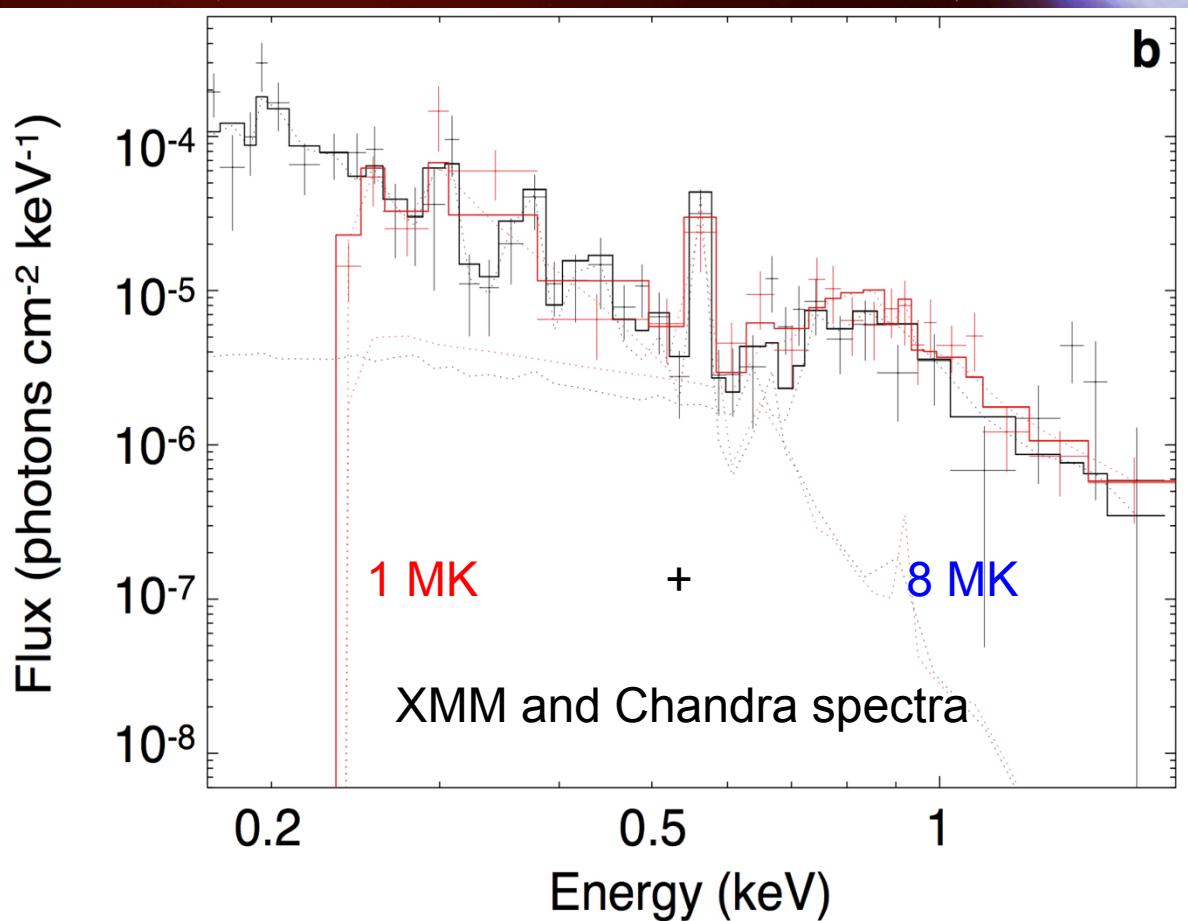
Evaporation efficiency of GJ436b

Ehrenreich, Bourrier, Wheatley et al, 2015

Mark Garlick/Warwick

Evaporation efficiency of GJ436b

Ehrenreich, Bourrier, Wheatley et al, 2015



Mass loss $\sim 5 \times 10^8$ g/s

Requires only $\sim 1\%$ efficiency
(assuming EUV scaling of
Chadney+15)

During 1 Gyr of saturated X-ray emission may have lost
10% of initial mass

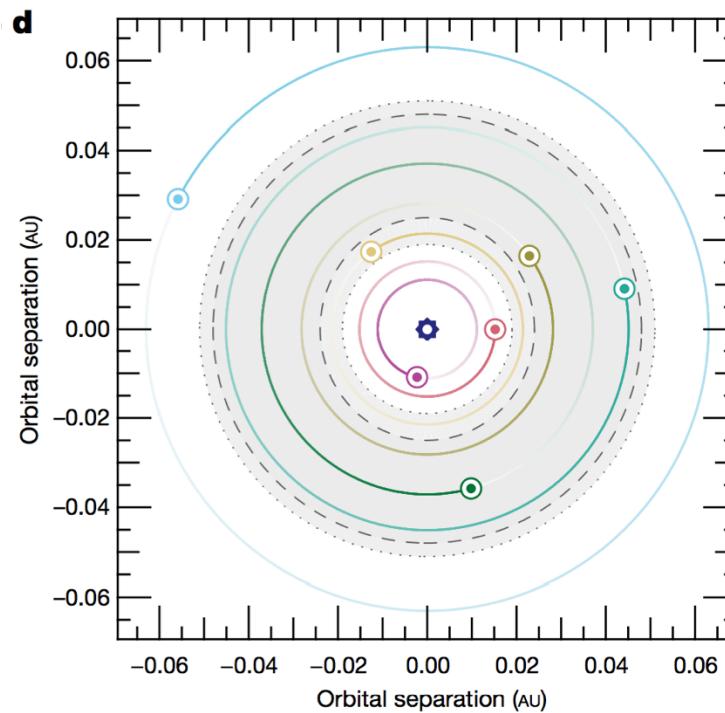
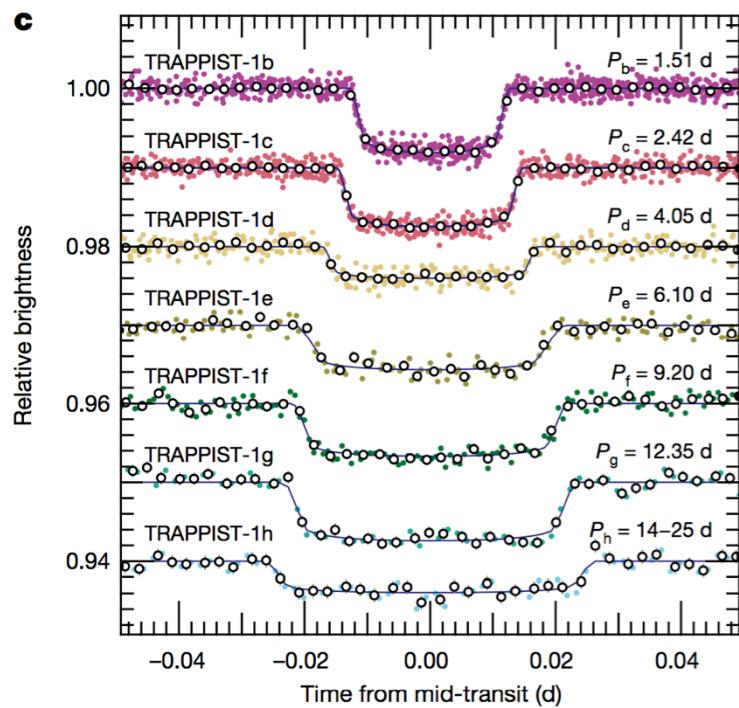
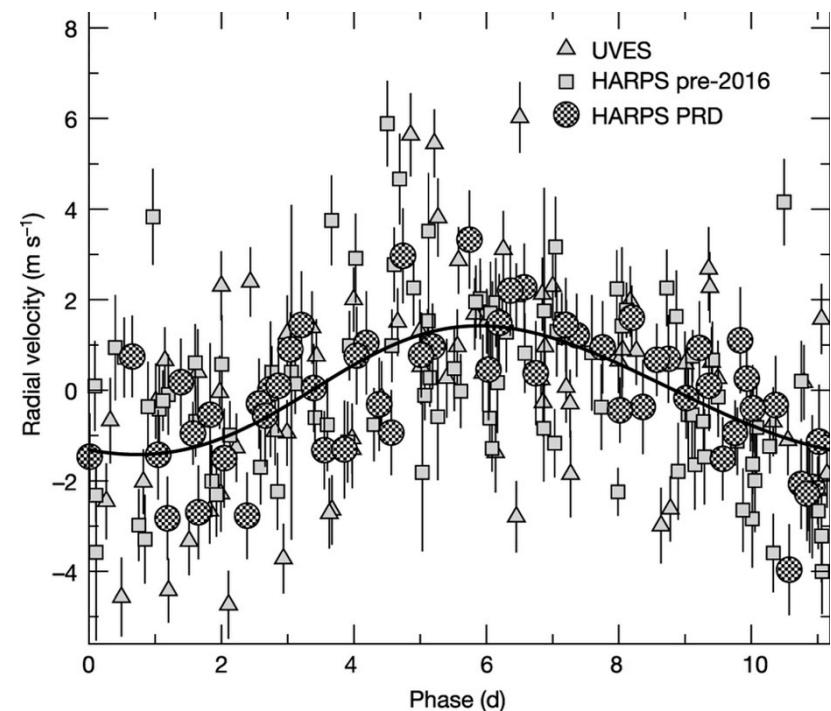
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Earth-sized planets in the habitable zone

Proxima Cen b

Radial velocity
detection of Earth-
mass planet in
habitable zone

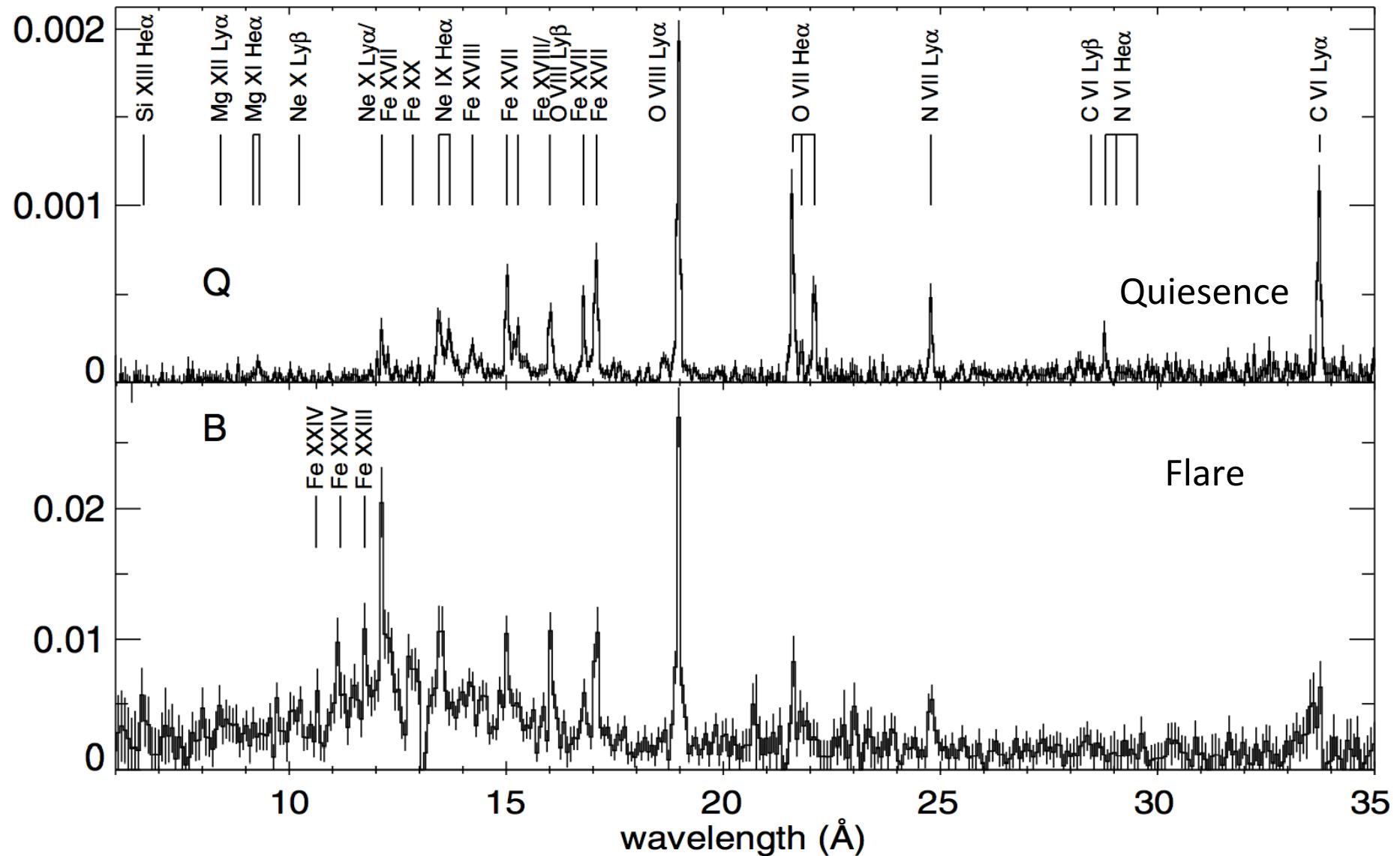
Anglada-Escudé+16



Trappist-1
7 Earths transiting
an ultra-cool
dwarf
Gillen+16,17

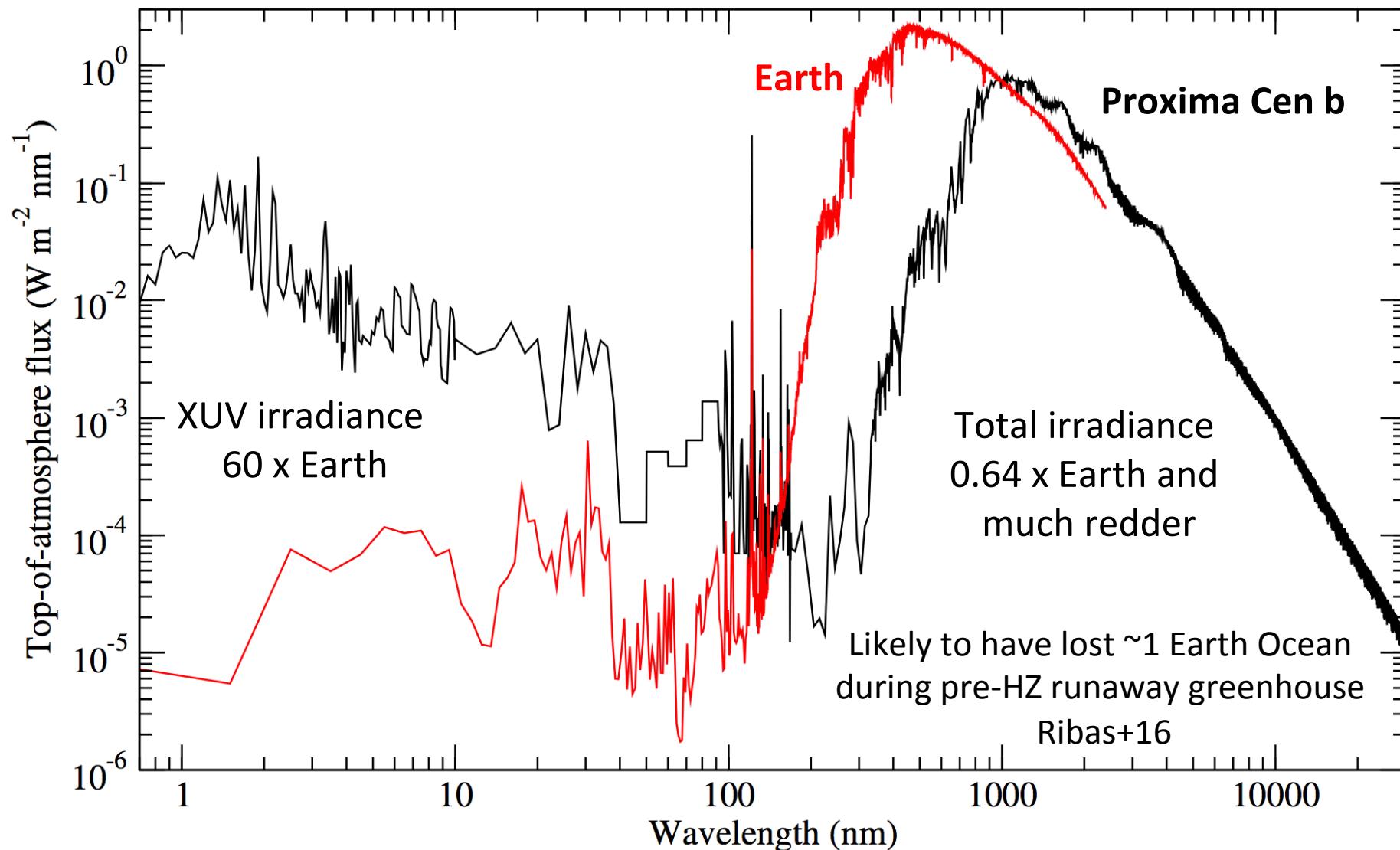
XMM-Newton RGS spectrum of Proxima Cen

Guedel et al 2004



Irradiance of Proxima Cen b compared with Earth

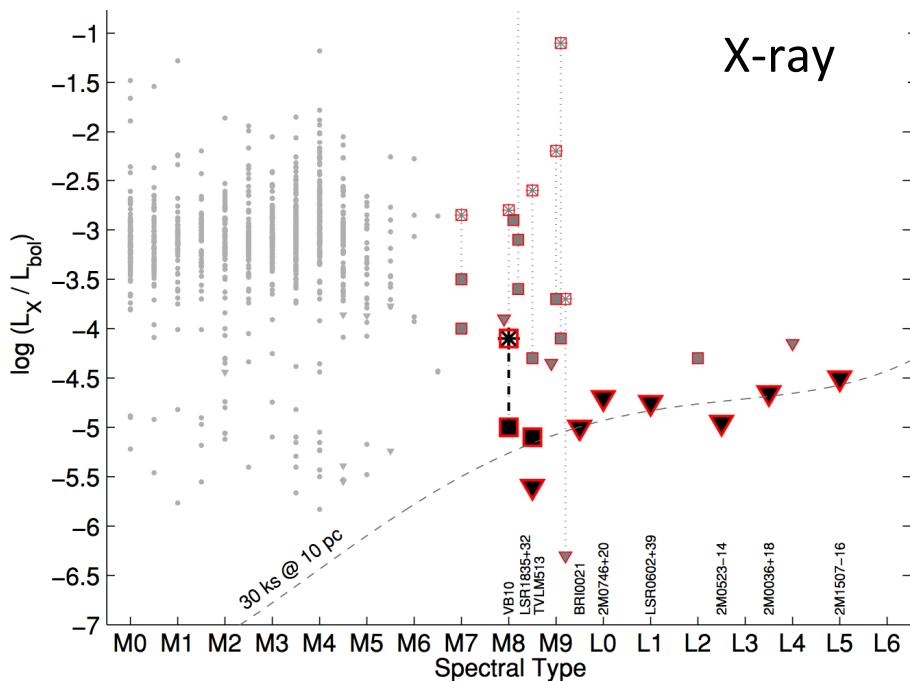
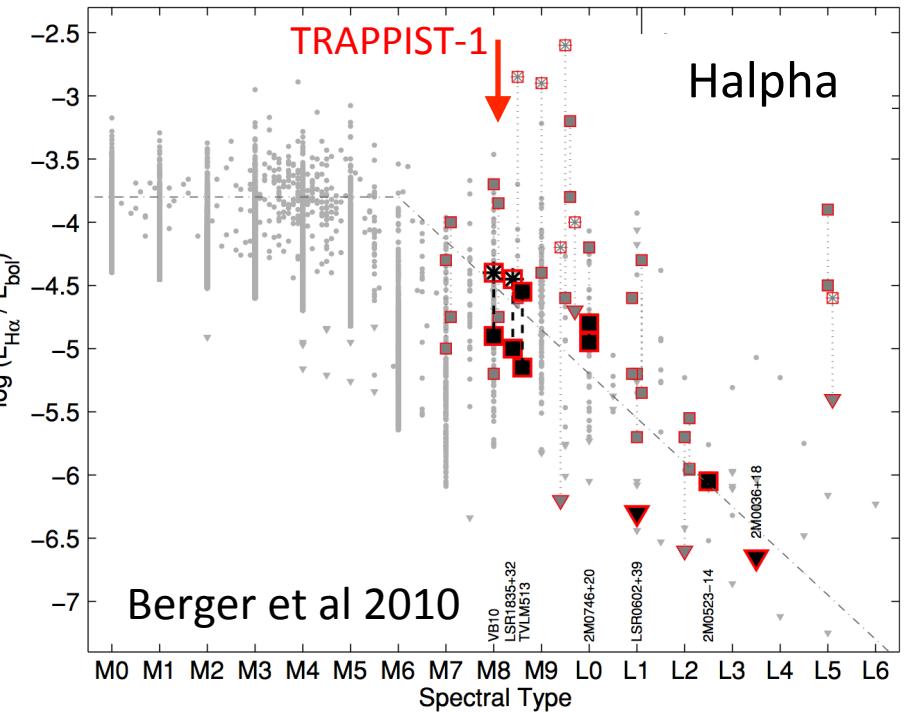
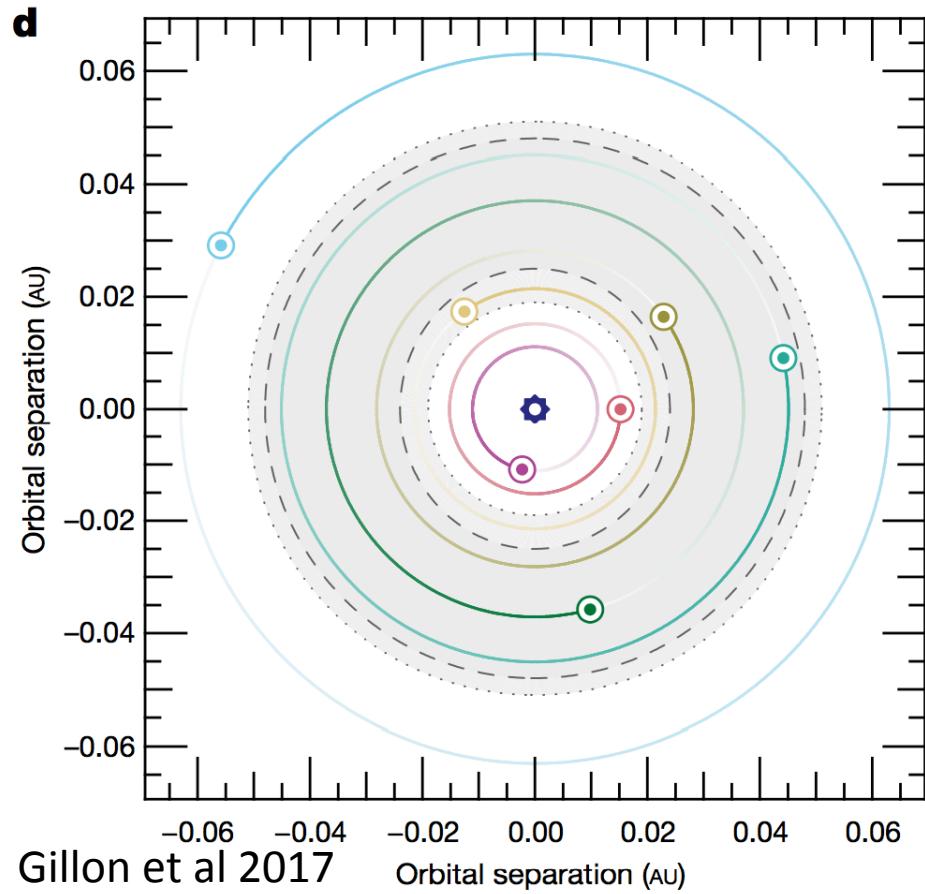
Ribas et al 2017



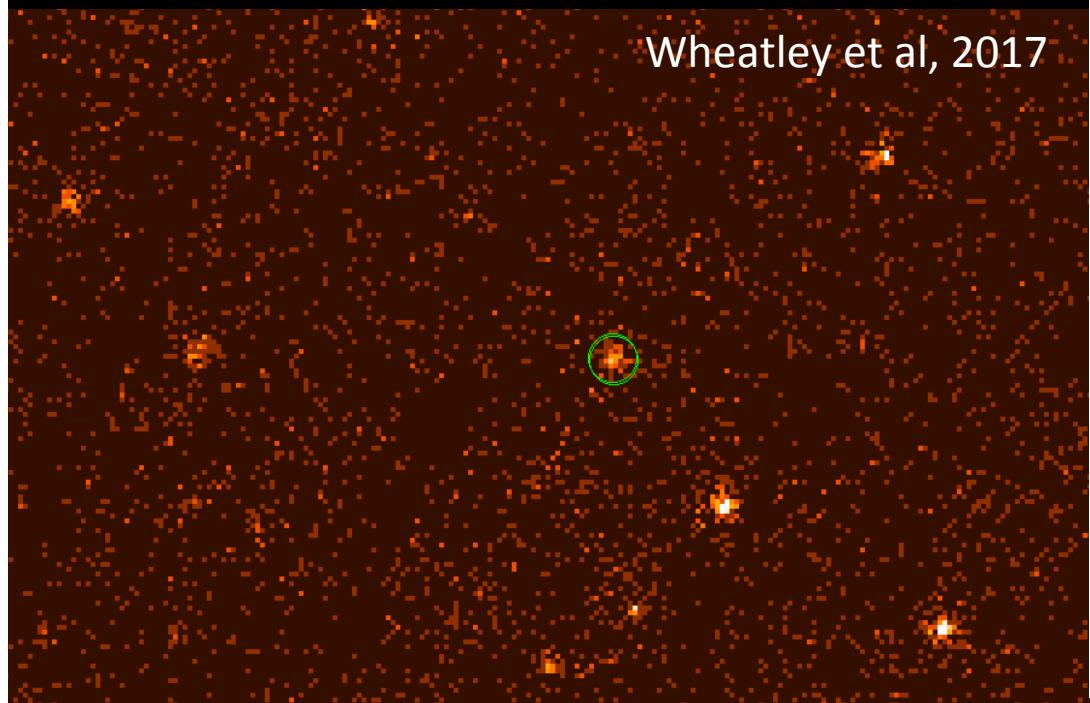
TRAPPIST-1

7 transiting Earths spanning HZ

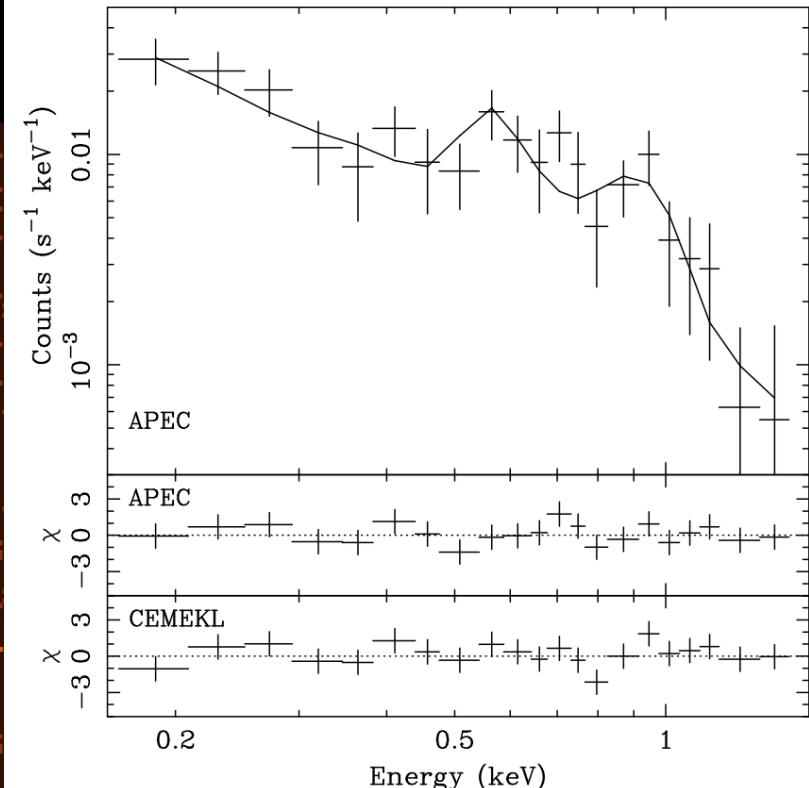
Extremely late-type M8 host star



TRAPPIST-1 in X-rays



Wheatley et al, 2017



Strong XUV emission
similar to quiet Sun
despite L_{Bol} only $5 \times 10^{-4} L_{\odot}$

$L_x/L_{\text{Bol}} \sim 3 \times 10^{-4}$
XUV irradiation is 50x
stronger than assumed
by Bolmont et al 2016

Models of water loss for this XUV flux show
inner planets desiccated during initial runaway
greenhouse, while HZ planets may have lost
less than 1 Earth ocean - Bolmont et al 2017

Possible that M dwarf HZ planets with thick
primordial H/He can be rendered habitable by
XUV evaporation - Owen & Mohanty 2016

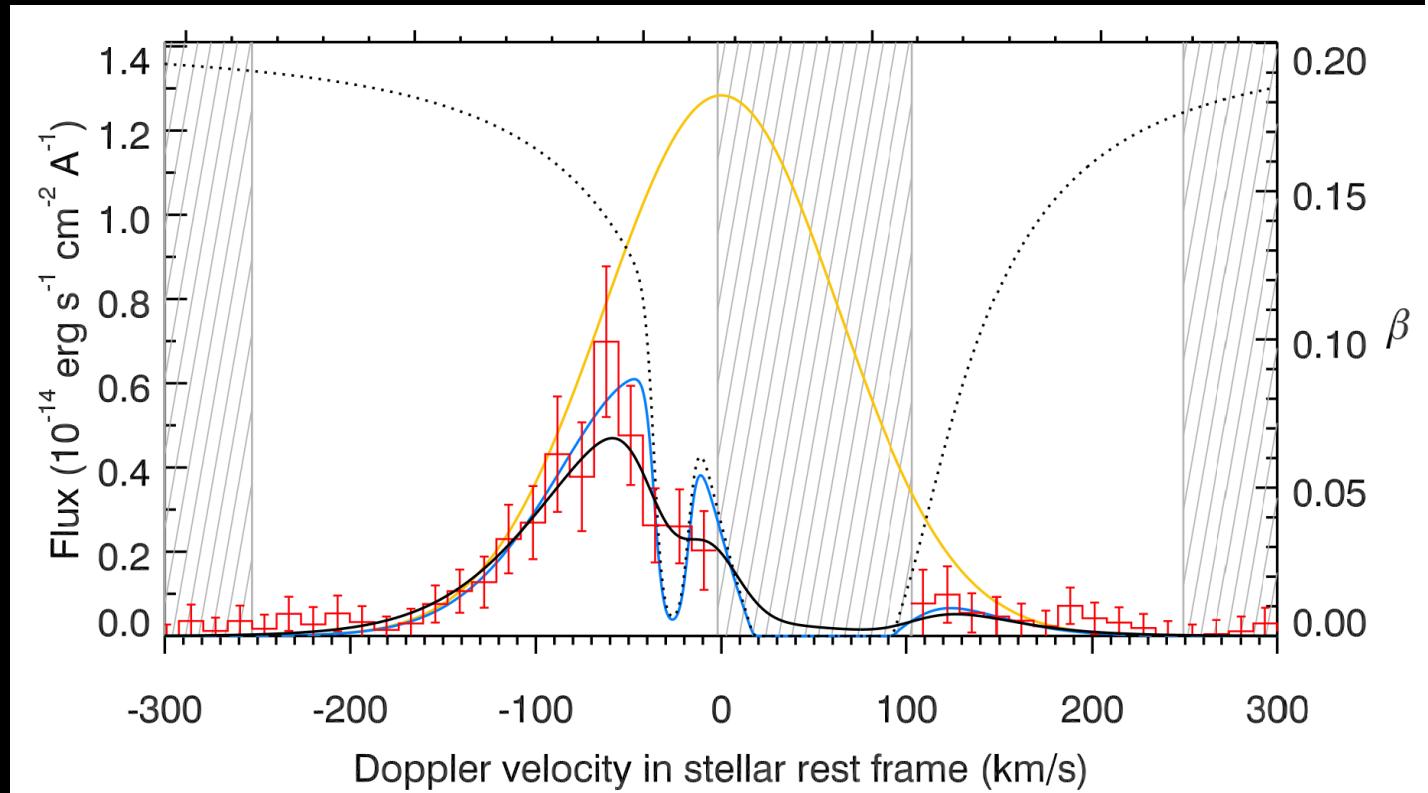
TRAPPIST-1 at Lyman-alpha

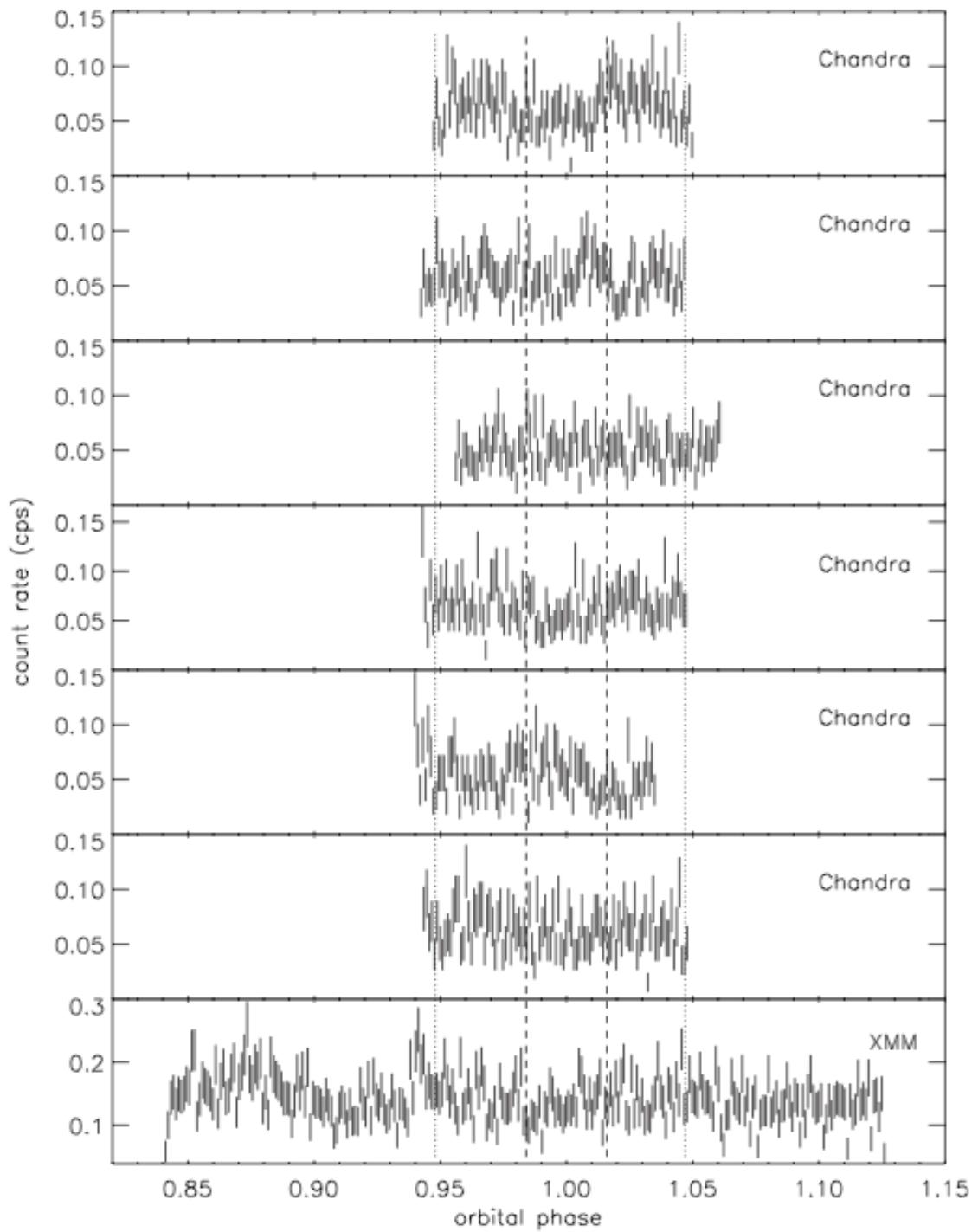
Lyman-alpha line detected with HST

Under luminous cf Proxima Cen despite similar X-ray luminosities, EUV uncertain

Water loss might be detectable in blue wing which is uncontaminated

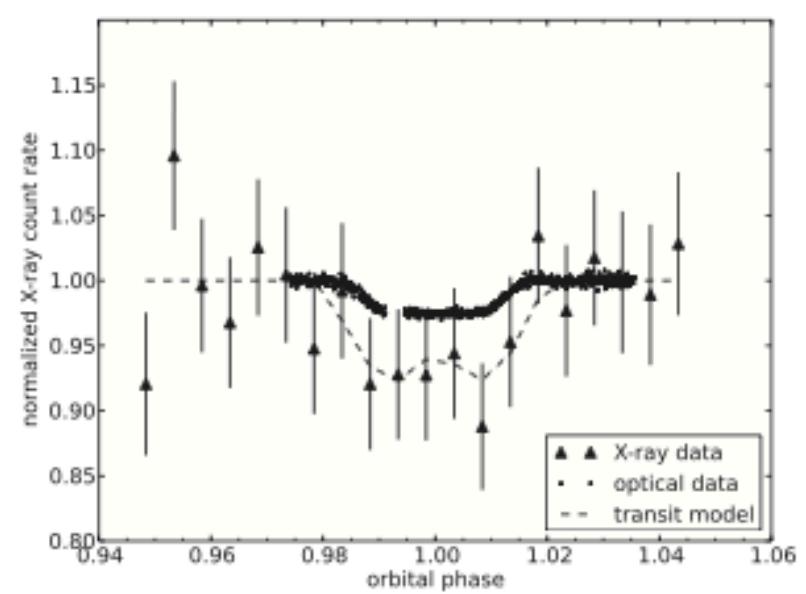
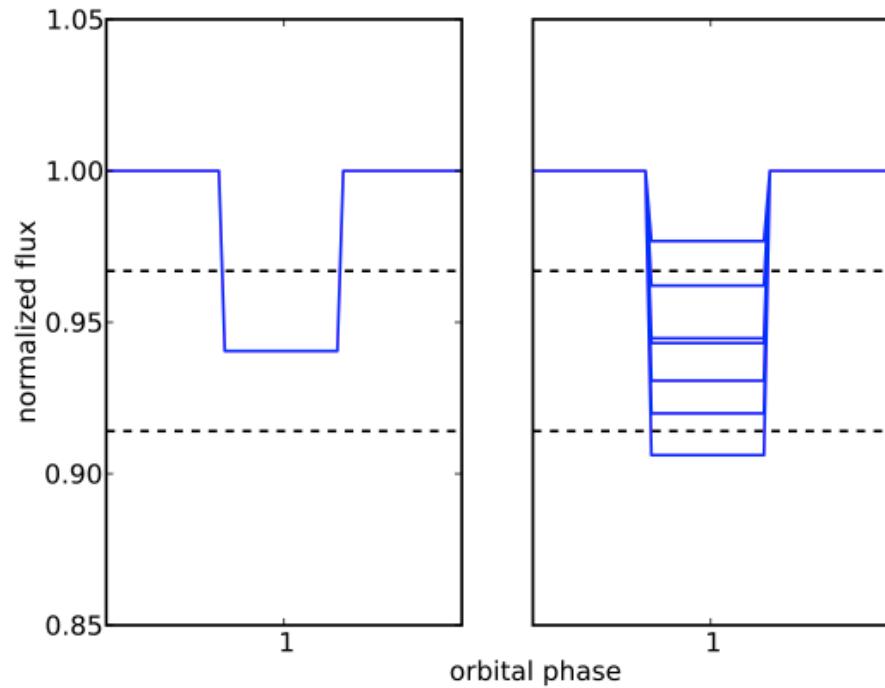
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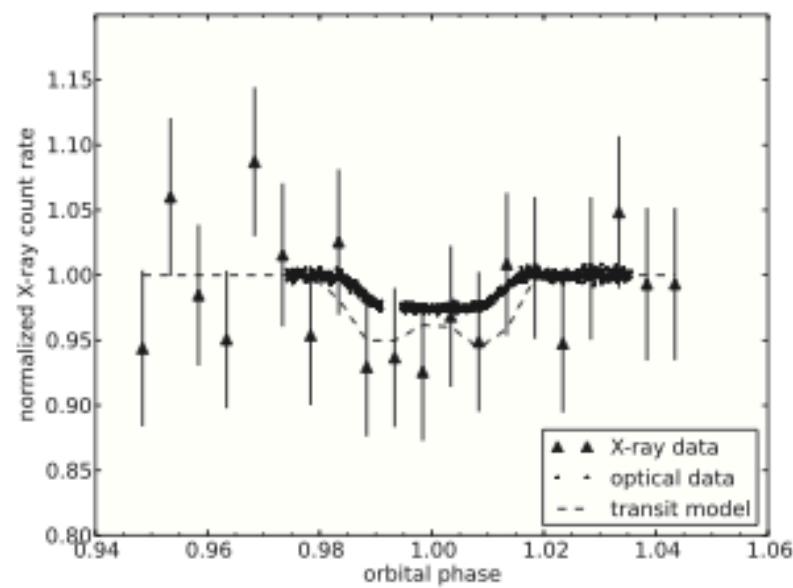
X-ray transit observations
with Chandra & XMM

Poppenhaeger, Schmitt
& Wolk 2013

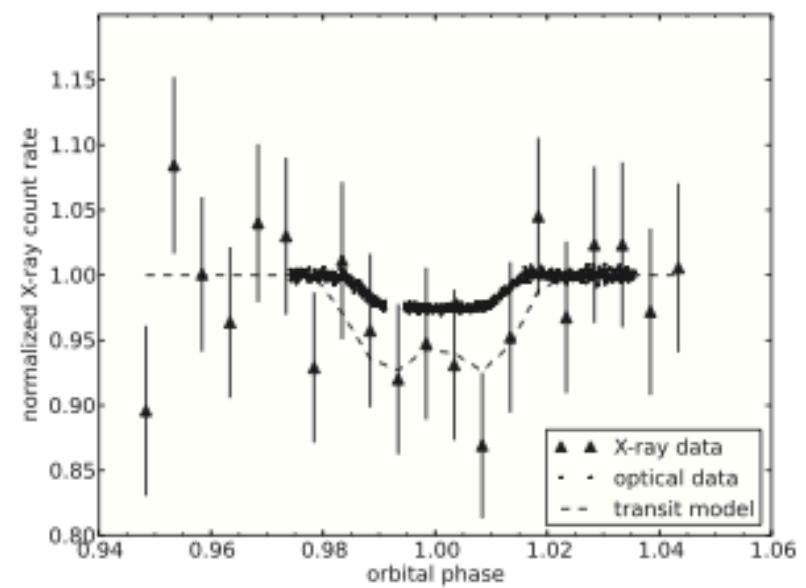


(b) Six data sets, excluding the potentially flaring *Chandra* observation

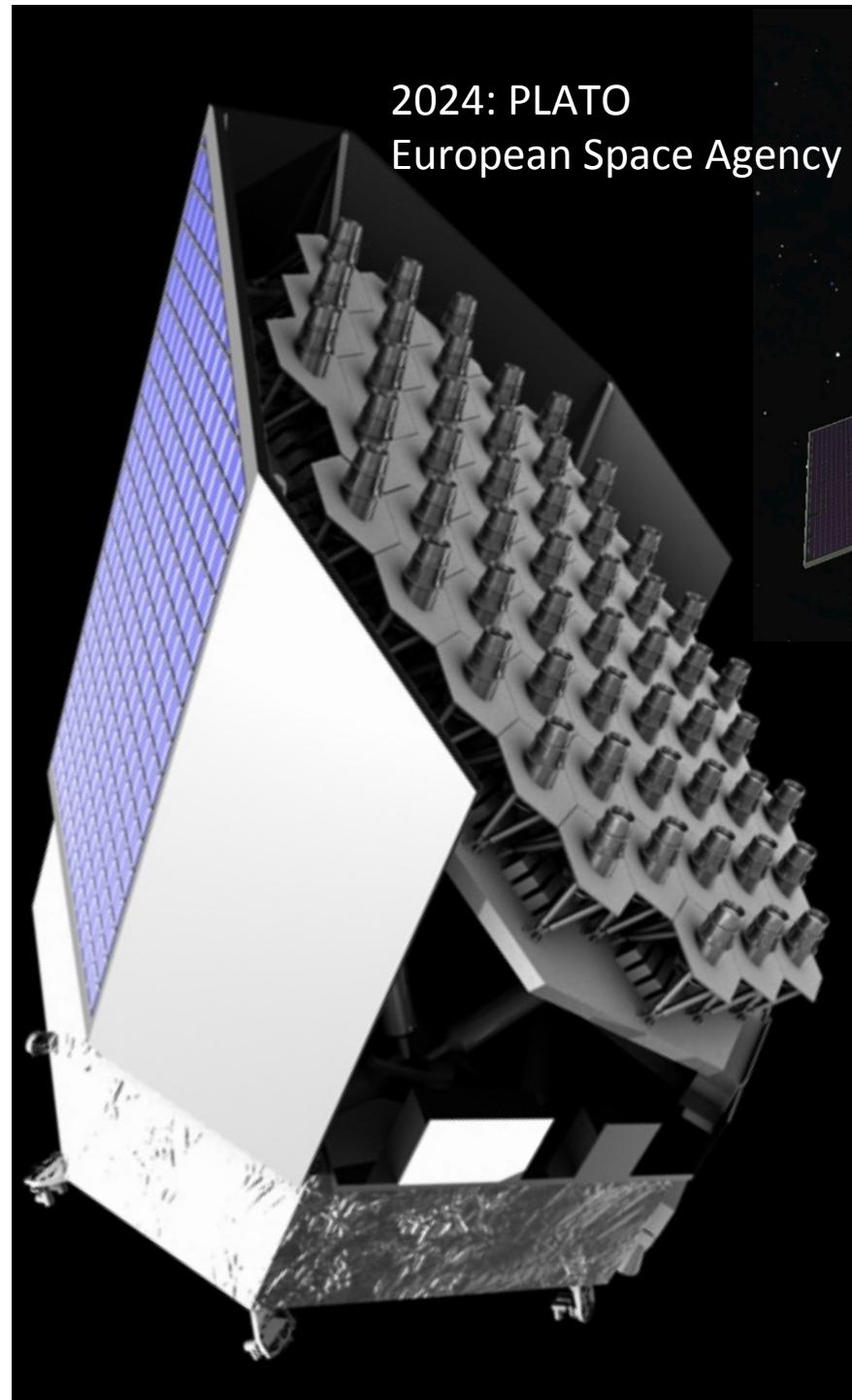
Poppenhaeger, Schmitt, & Wolk 2013



(c) Six data sets, excluding the potentially flaring *XMM-Newton* observation



(d) Five quiescent data sets, excluding both potentially flaring observations



2024: PLATO
European Space Agency

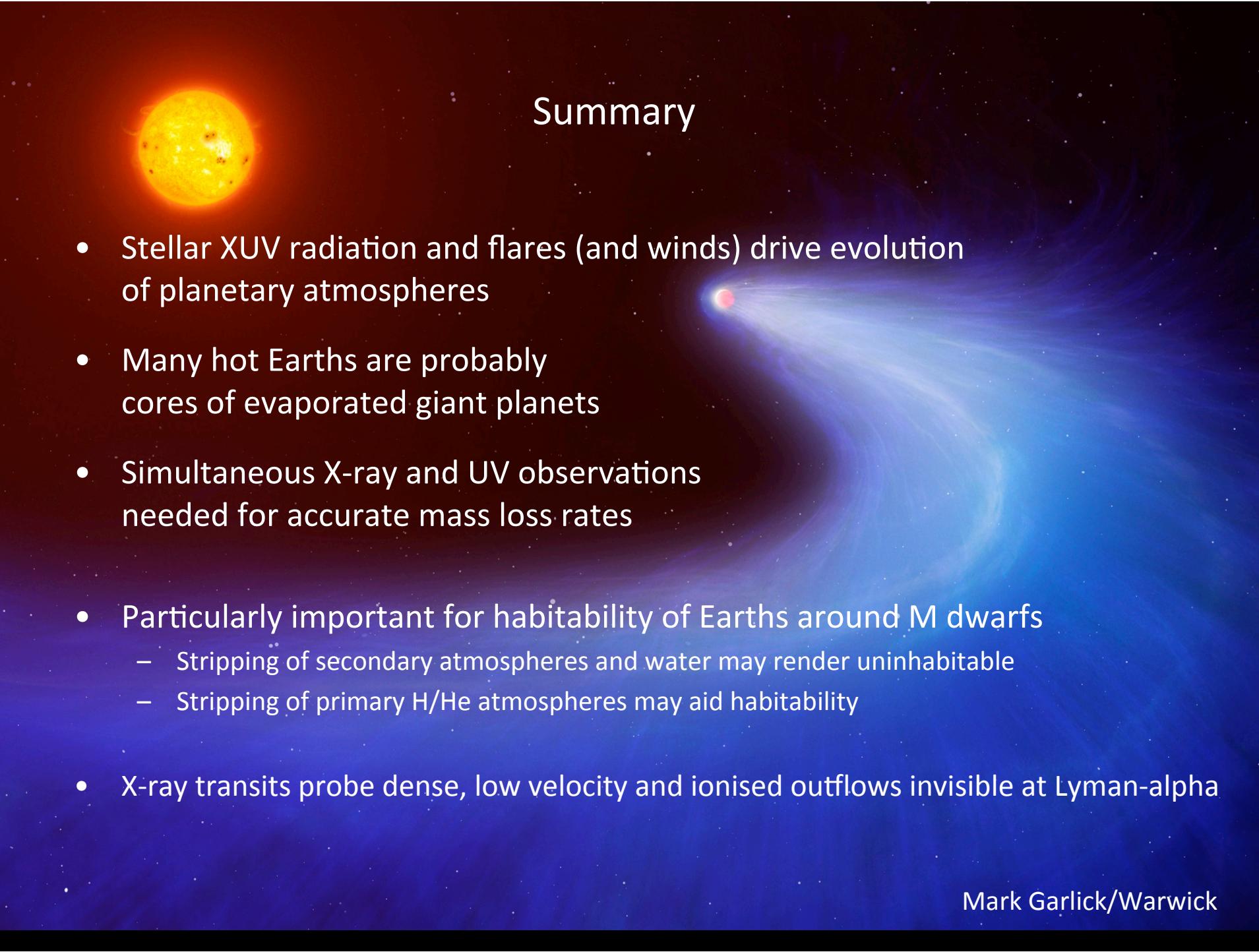


2018: TESS, NASA

New transit surveys of bright stars



2016: NGTS at Paranal



Summary

- Stellar XUV radiation and flares (and winds) drive evolution of planetary atmospheres
- Many hot Earths are probably cores of evaporated giant planets
- Simultaneous X-ray and UV observations needed for accurate mass loss rates
- Particularly important for habitability of Earths around M dwarfs
 - Stripping of secondary atmospheres and water may render uninhabitable
 - Stripping of primary H/He atmospheres may aid habitability
- X-ray transits probe dense, low velocity and ionised outflows invisible at Lyman-alpha