

# How known planets from the Solar System would be seen if they were exoplanets

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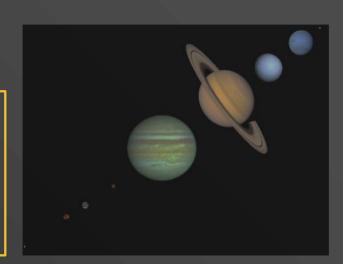




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## CONTEXT:

- ARIEL WG "Synergies with Solar System planets Atmosphere"
- Work in progress to test tools and provide science cases for ARIEL



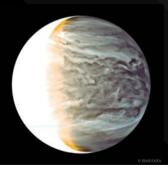
## **OUTLINE:**

**PART 1** (*G.Gilli*) **Modeling:** Transit of exo-Venus observed by ARIEL

**PART 2** (*P.Machado*): **Observations**: High resolution spectra of Solar System bodies

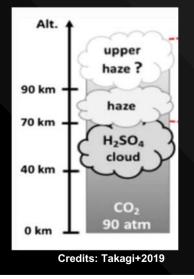
## Part 1: Transit of exo-Venus

work-in-progress in collaboration with E. Marcq<sup>1</sup> 1. LATMOS, Paris, France









## **MOTIVATION:**

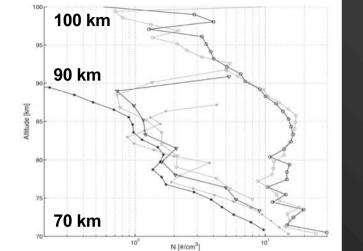
- More and more close-in-orbit hot terrestrial planets detected: favorable targets for transmission spectroscopy
- VENUS: good natural laboratory for those targets
- Venus-like planets around M-stars: more favorable for detecting molecular features during a transit
- Trappist 1 exoplanet System: likely to host Venus-like planets
- Possible presence of clouds and aerosols: observational predictions more challenging

### **APPROACH:**

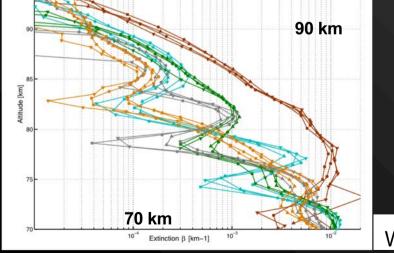
- 1. Observed variability of upper hazes by Venus Express
- 2. State-of-the-art of Venus General Circulation Model (GCM) developed at LMD

("Realistic" templates of CO<sub>2</sub> and sulfur-bearing compound atmosphere) G.Gilli @ ARIEL Conf. 2020, ESA/ESTEC, The Netherland 15/01/2020

#### Total density of upper haze aeroso<u>ls</u>



Temporal variation of extintion profile



#### From stellar/solar occultation measurements by Venus Express

 Main cloud deck 48-75 km + tenuous hazes up to ~90 km

#### Spatial & Temporal variability

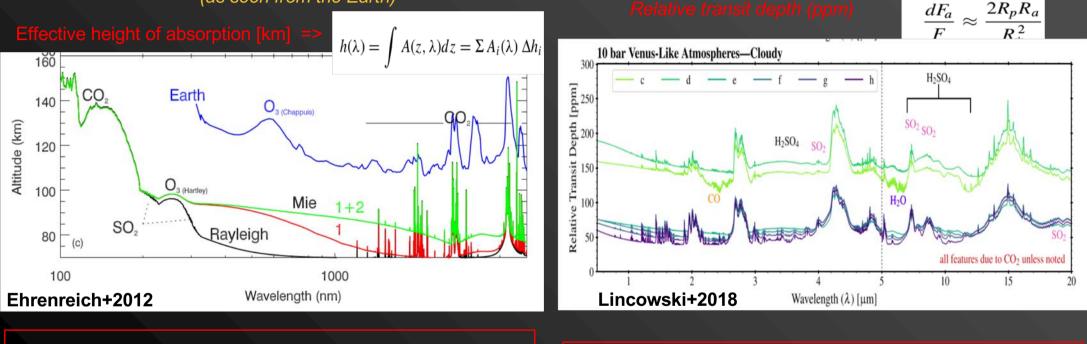
- Extinction coefficient lower at high latitudes than at low latitudes
- Haze extinction coefficients in the UV and near IR can vary by one order of magnitude
- Time scale variability ranging from several Earth days to several months

Wilquet et al 2009

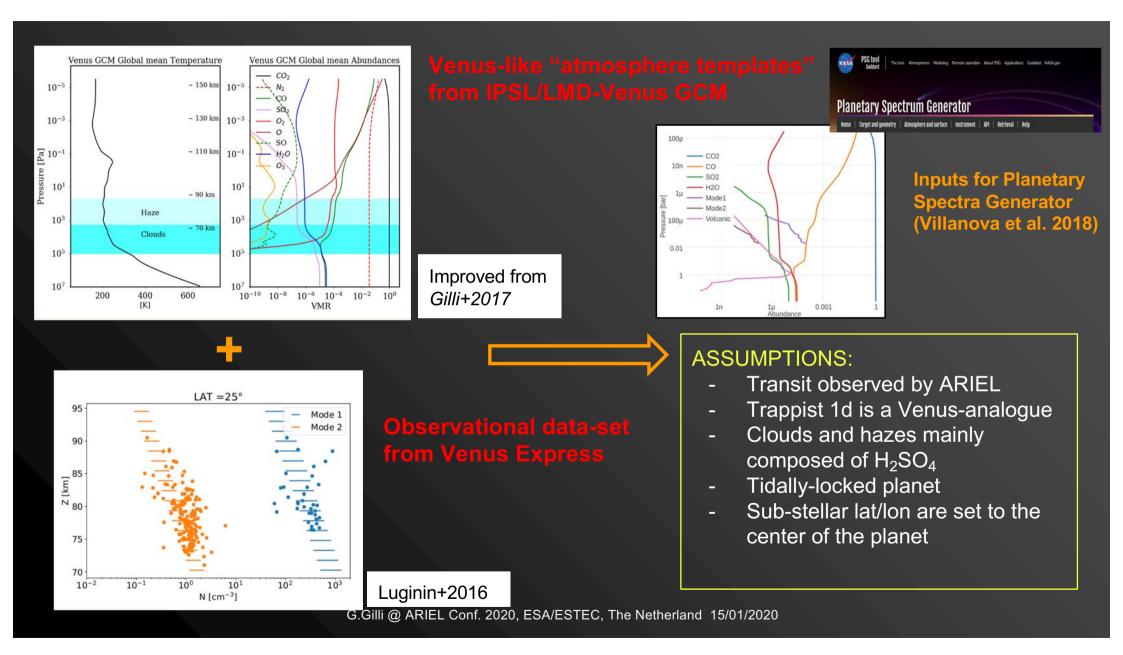
#### Simulated transmission spectra of VENUS-like planets (previous works)

Venus transiting in front of the Sun (as seen from the Earth)

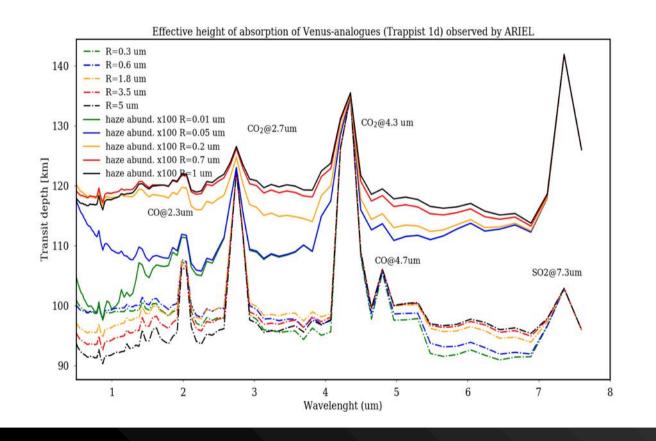
#### Transit of Trappist 1 planets (Venus-composition)



- Lowest altitude possible to reach is set by the dominant diffusion regime: Rayleigh or Mie
- Absorption reaches ~ 25 ppm for CO<sub>2</sub> UV bands,
  ~15 ppm for CO<sub>2</sub> for most noticeable feature at 4.3 um
- "Flat" spectra in presence of clouds
- CO<sub>2</sub> feature dominated spectra, approaching 90 ppm
- Higher temperature and lower  $g \rightarrow$  stronger features



## Transit depth of Exo-Venus observed by ARIEL (work-in-progress...)



$$h(\lambda) = \int A(z, \lambda) dz = \Sigma A_i(\lambda) \Delta h_i$$

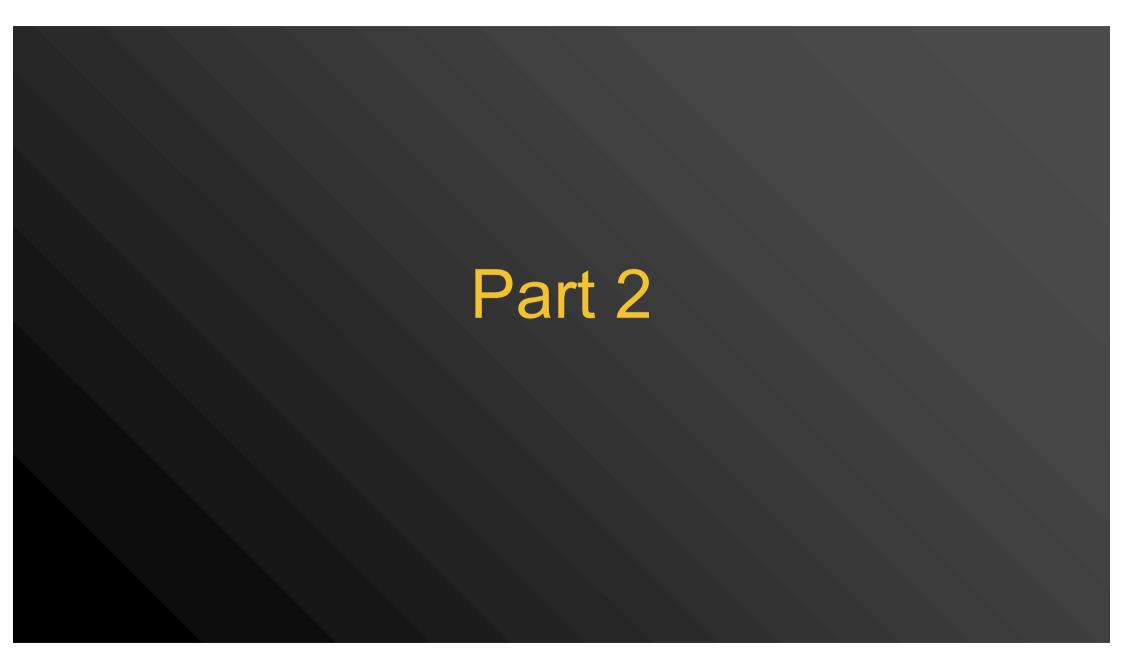
- Transit altitude range included in the mesosphere (90-140 km)
- Main molecular features by CO<sub>2</sub>, CO, SO<sub>2</sub> clearly identified
- Stronger slope in the visible for R< 0.05 um</li>
- Variable haze radii and density → variable "floor" altitude
- The larger the haze abundances the "flatter" the spectra

## Take-home messages

- Trappist 1 system "too challenging" to detect with ARIEL: ~5000h transit needed! (L.Mugnai, private communication).
- intrinsic variability of photochemical hazes would significantly affect any atmospheric retrievals
- address potential spatial and temporal variability of clouds & haze in exoplanetary atmospheres when interpreting ARIEL primary transit spectra
- (relatively) "flat" transit depth also help constrain radii, composition and density of upper hazes

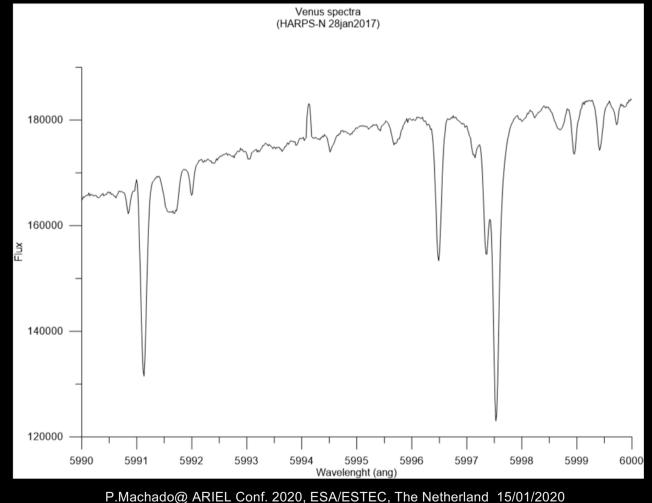
## Future works

- Find another Venus-like analogue around other M-stars?
- Quantify the impact of the variation of upper haze on transit depth
- Check the sensitivity of predicted observable with the orbital characteristics of the planets, and test other targets



How planets from the Solar System would be seen if they were exoplanets based on Solar System planets' observations from high resolution groundbased instruments

Venus at optical: HARPS-N /TNG, UVES /VLT, ESPaDOnS/ CFHT Venus at infrared: iSHELL and SPECS / IRTF



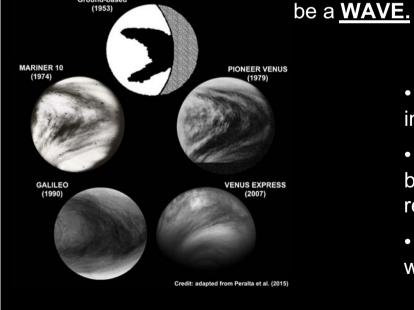
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#### Venus's Y feature as a wind distorted wave

#### What is the Venus "Y" feature?

In the 1960s, a huge dark cloud structure was first observed on Venus through ultraviolet images.

This feature with the shape of a "Y" has been observed for many decades of spatial missions,





#### A new type of wave distorted by Venus winds

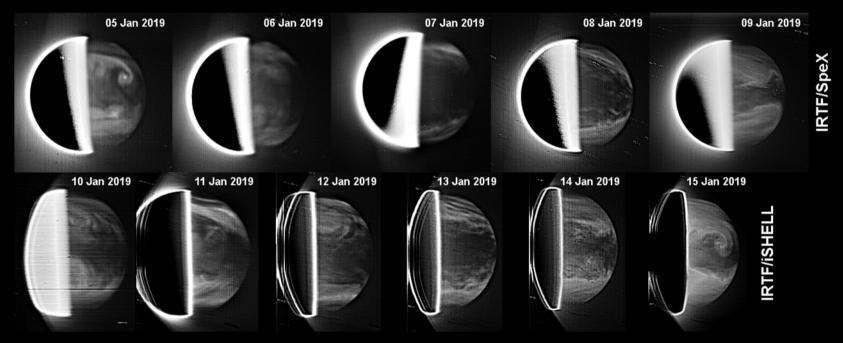
• We have deduced a **new type of equatorial wave** that only appears in planets of slow rotation like Venus.

• This wave brings up an ultraviolet absorber commonly thought to exist below, and concentrates it at the cloud tops. This is why we see dark regions in UV images of the "Y".

• After being created, the wave becomes gradually distorted by the winds and adopts the "Y" shape until it is finally dissipated,

#### Peralta et al. 2015

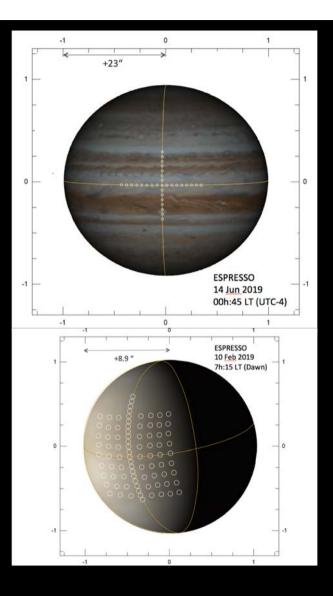
## Venus brilliance temporal variability in the infrared IRTF, MaunaKea

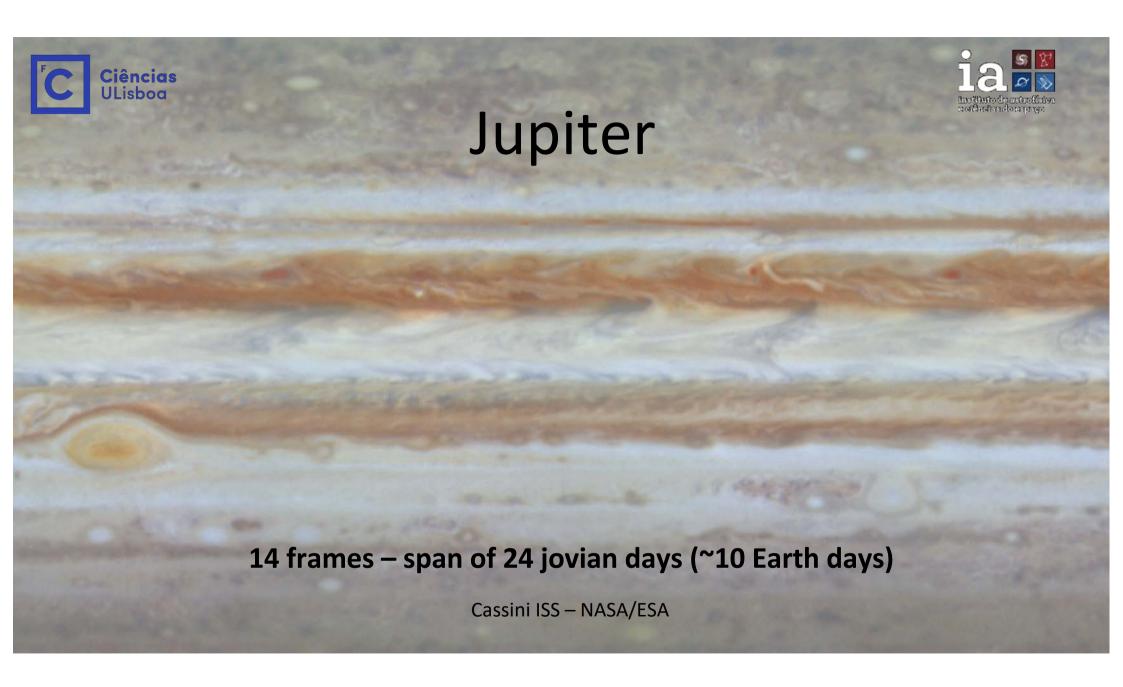


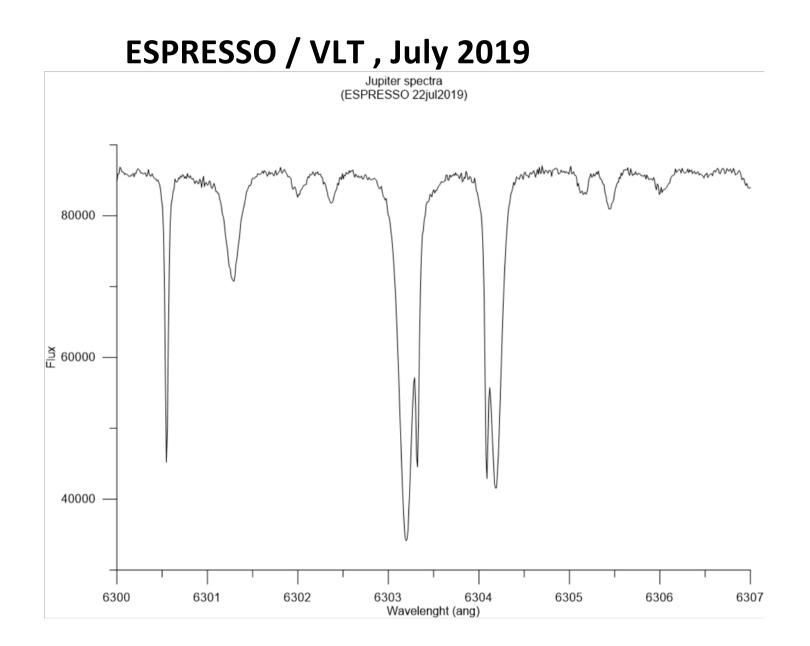


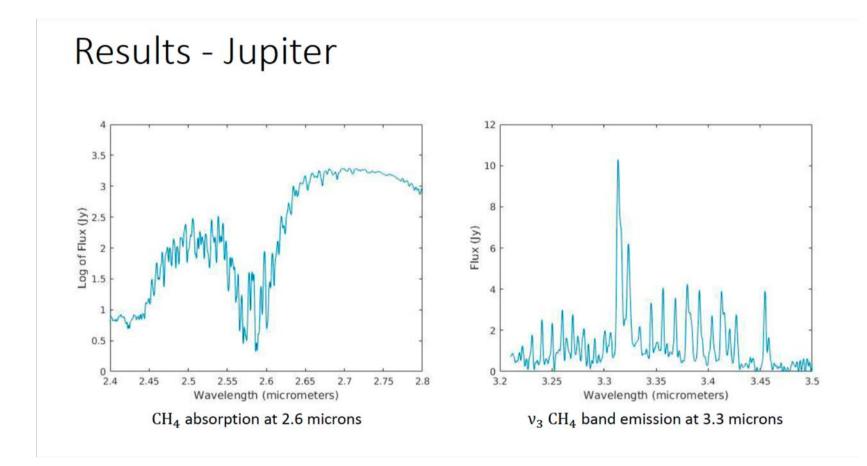
Jupiter as an exoplanet proxy

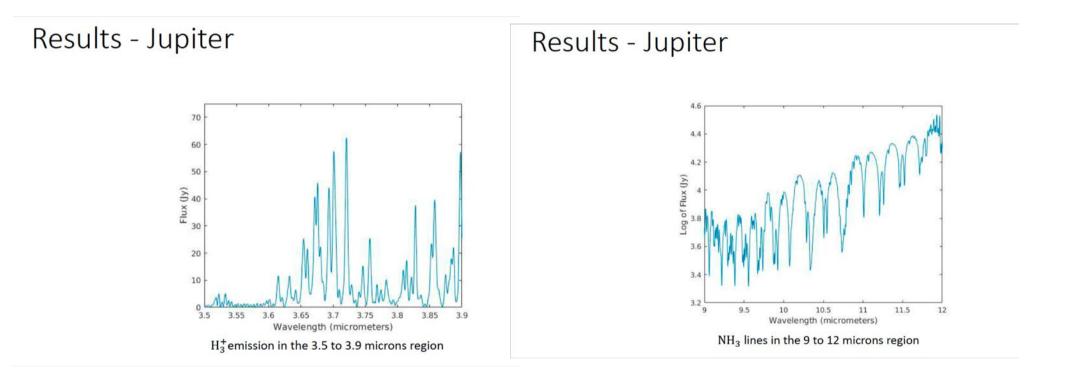
VLT – ESPRESSO July 2019 CAHA – CARMENES May 2019



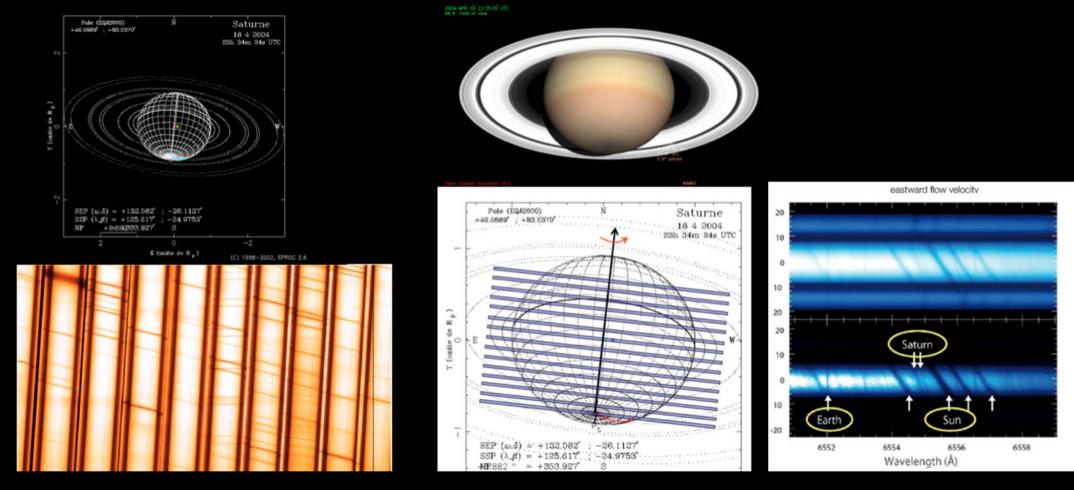


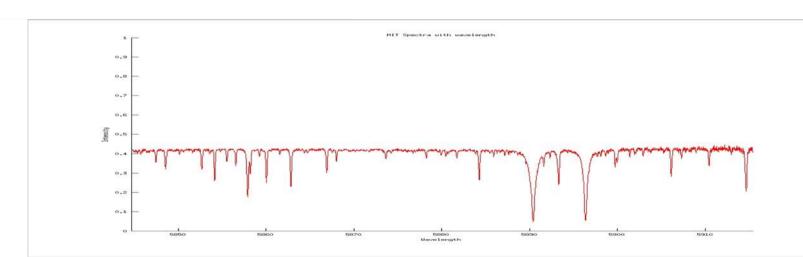




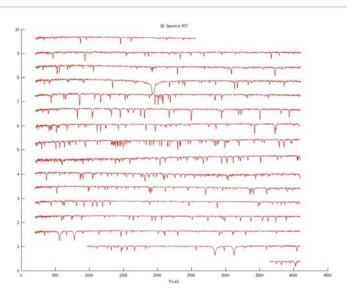


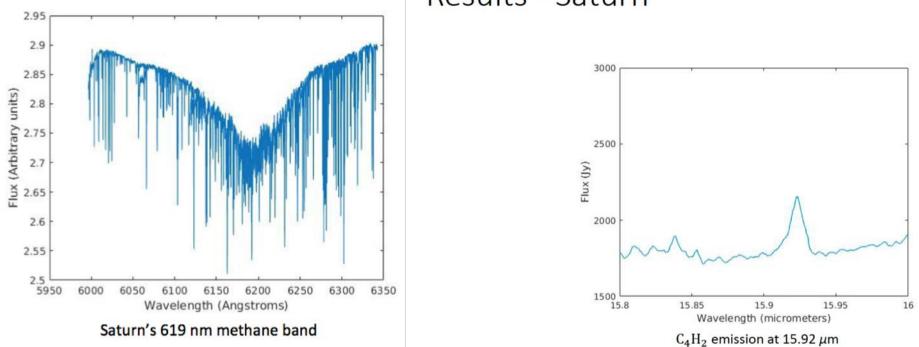
#### Saturn: optical with UVES / VLT, infrared with CAHA / CARMENES



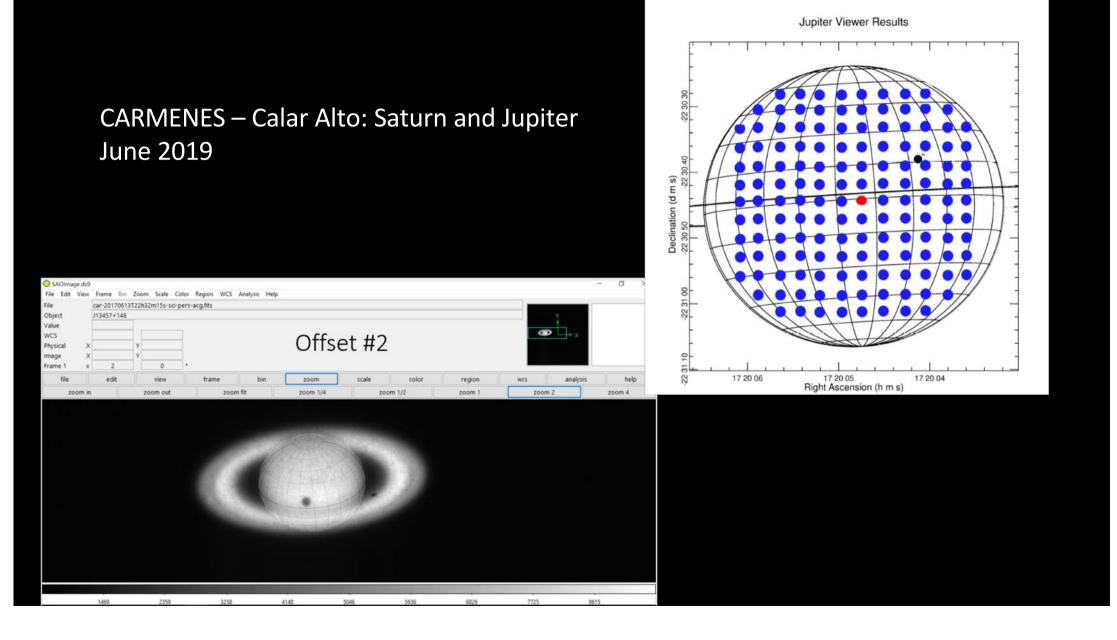


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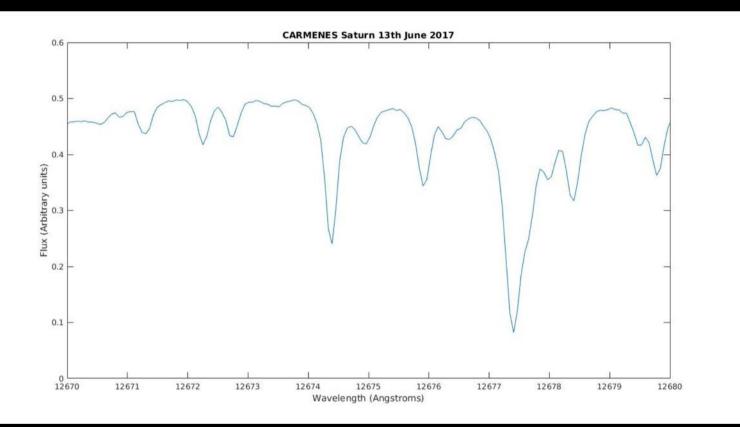


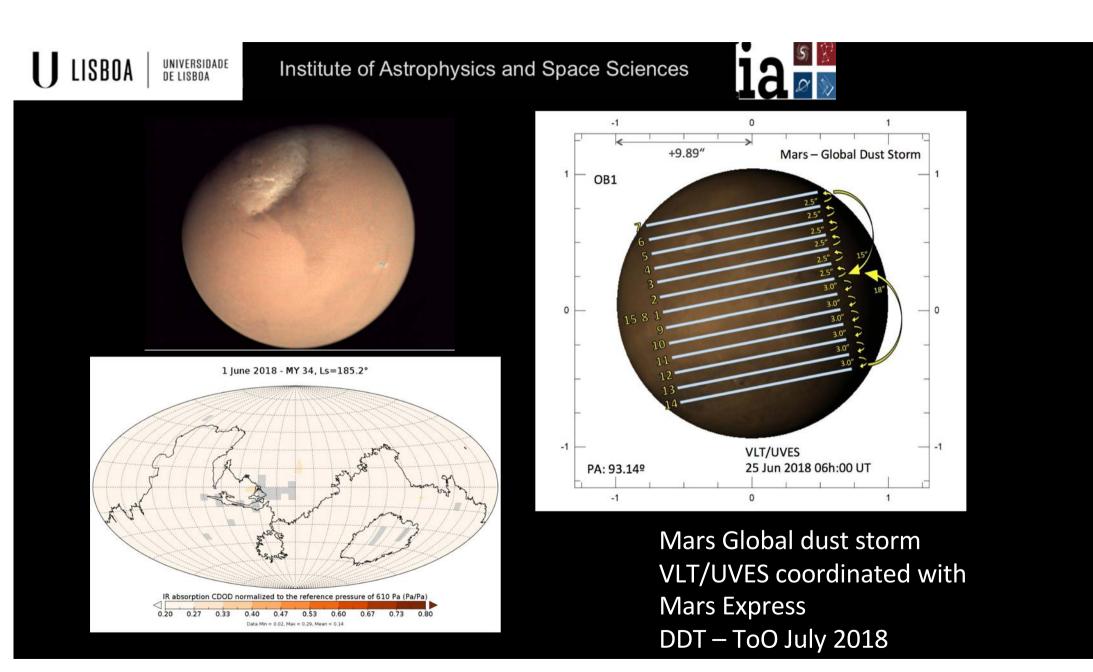


Results - Saturn



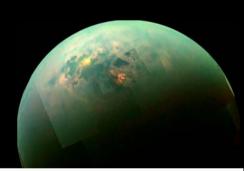
### Saturn - CARMENES / CAHA

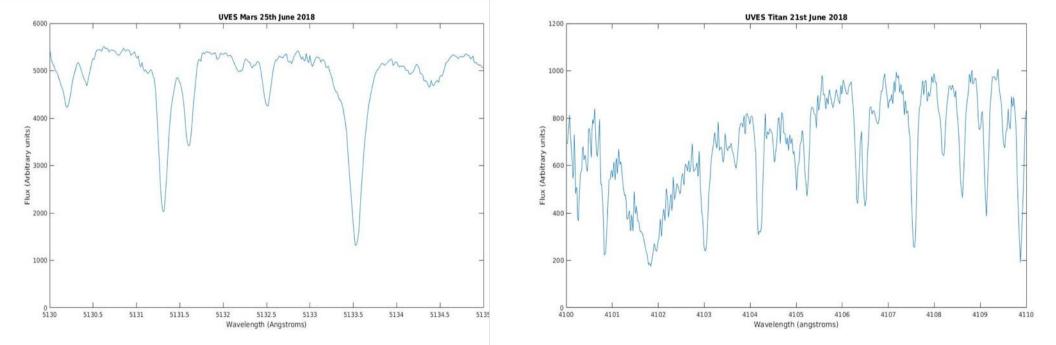




# Mars with UVES/VLT and CARMENES

## Titan atmosphere with UVES/VLT

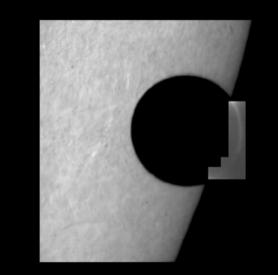




### Prospects and future work

Transit of Venus 2012

#### Earth seen from Venus (VIRTIS – Venus EXPRESS)

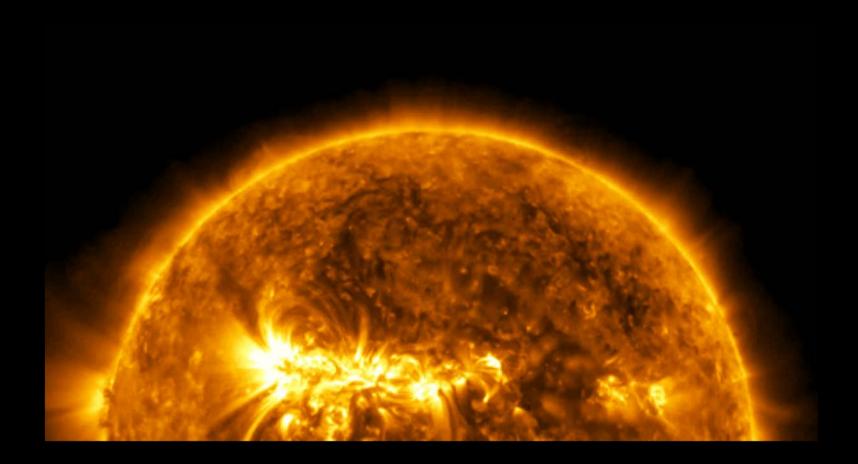


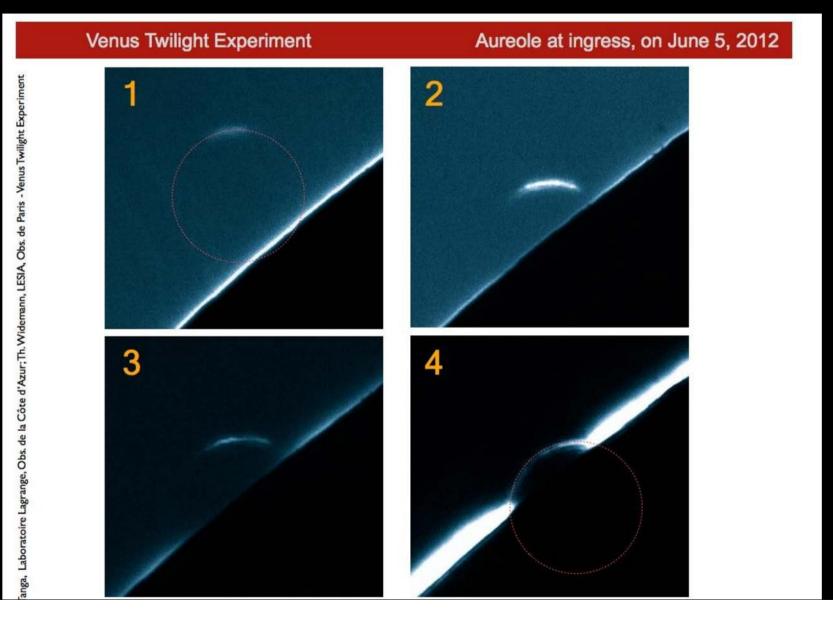




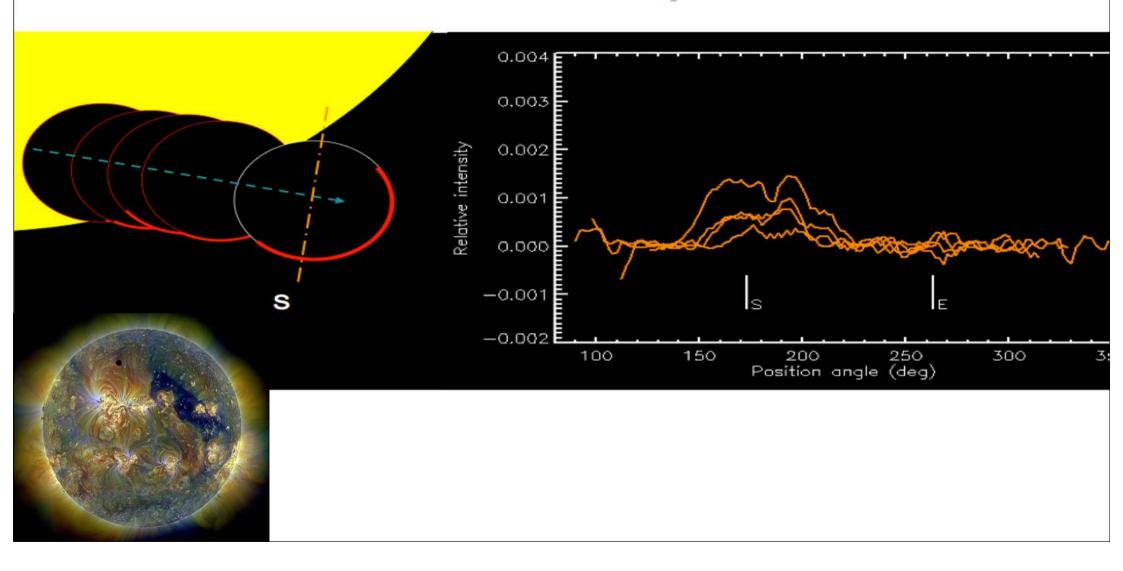
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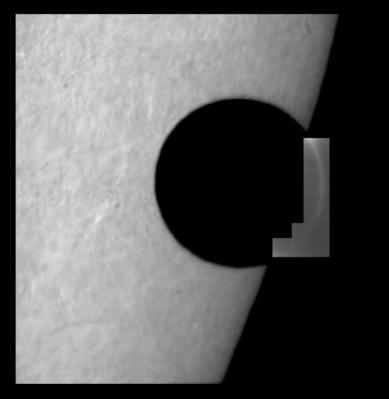




## **Photometric profiles**



#### **Transmission spectroscopy on Venus' transit**



#### 4. Aureole Spectrum

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The scan starting at 16:19 MDT taken while Venus was crossing onto the solar limb had the brightest arc from which the spectrum could be extracted. The spectra in Figure 3 were produced by averaging over the arc positions in the limb-justified data cube (top panel), the average off-limb stray light spectrum was subtracted and the residual solar spectrum was divided (middle panel), and a line spectrum was made by averaging over the spatial extent of the arc (bottom panel). A synthetic spectrum given to us by Pascal Hedelt (Hedelt et al., 2011) of the Venus model atmosphere was resampled and convolved with the FIRS spectrograph profile determined from laser measurements (Jaeggli, 2011) to produce the model spectrum shown in violet.

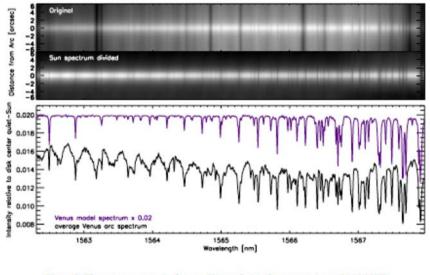
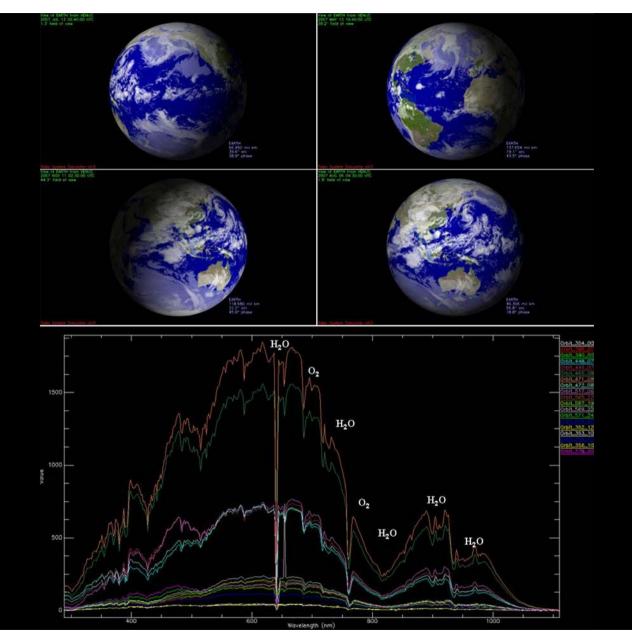


Figure 3: The mean spectrum in the arc of Venus during the scan starting at 16:19 MDT.



### Earth seen from Venus Venus Express - VIRTIS

