

Status updates of IRD-SSP

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Redefinition of science goals in 2022

- Minimum Success

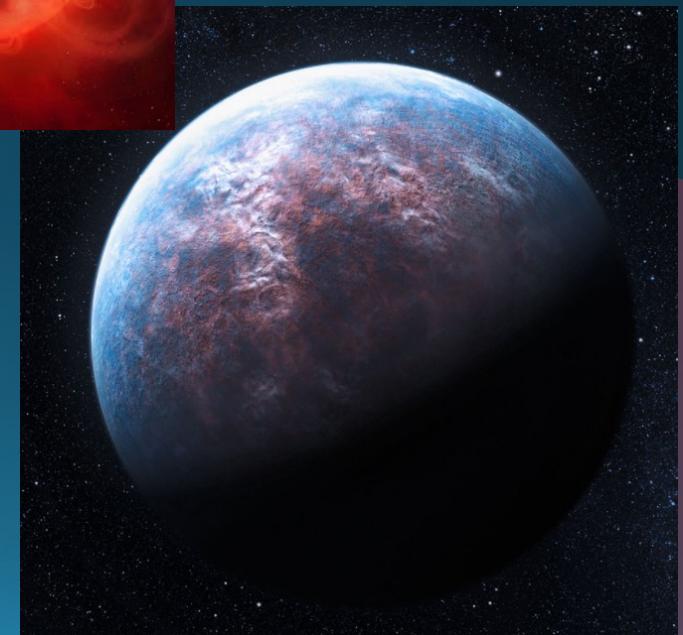
- Detection of >1 terrestrial planets ($m \sin i = 1 - 10 M_{\text{Earth}}$)
- Limit on the distribution of giant planets ($> 10 M_{\text{Earth}}$), located up to ~ 0.1 a.u. for > 40 stars that can be compared to the result of gravitational microlensing planet.
- Provide an upper limit on the frequency of HZ planets, $> 3 M_{\text{Earth}}$

- Full Success:

- Discover at least one HZ planet with $m \sin i = 1-10 M_{\text{Earth}}$
- Limit the distribution of short-period (orbital period < 10 days), planets $> 3 M_{\text{Earth}}$
- Limit the frequency of existence of low-mass planets ($> 3 M_{\text{Earth}}$), including HZ planets

- Extra Success:

- Discovery of one or more HZ planets of about Earth mass ($m \sin i = 1-3 M_{\text{Earth}}$)
- Obtain frequency of existence for terrestrial planets ($> 1 M_{\text{Earth}}$), including Earth-mass HZ planets
- Discover Earth-like planets that can be followed up (transit photometry) to understand the atmospheres and internal compositions (e.g. mass-radius relationship)



Observation progress in S25A&S25B

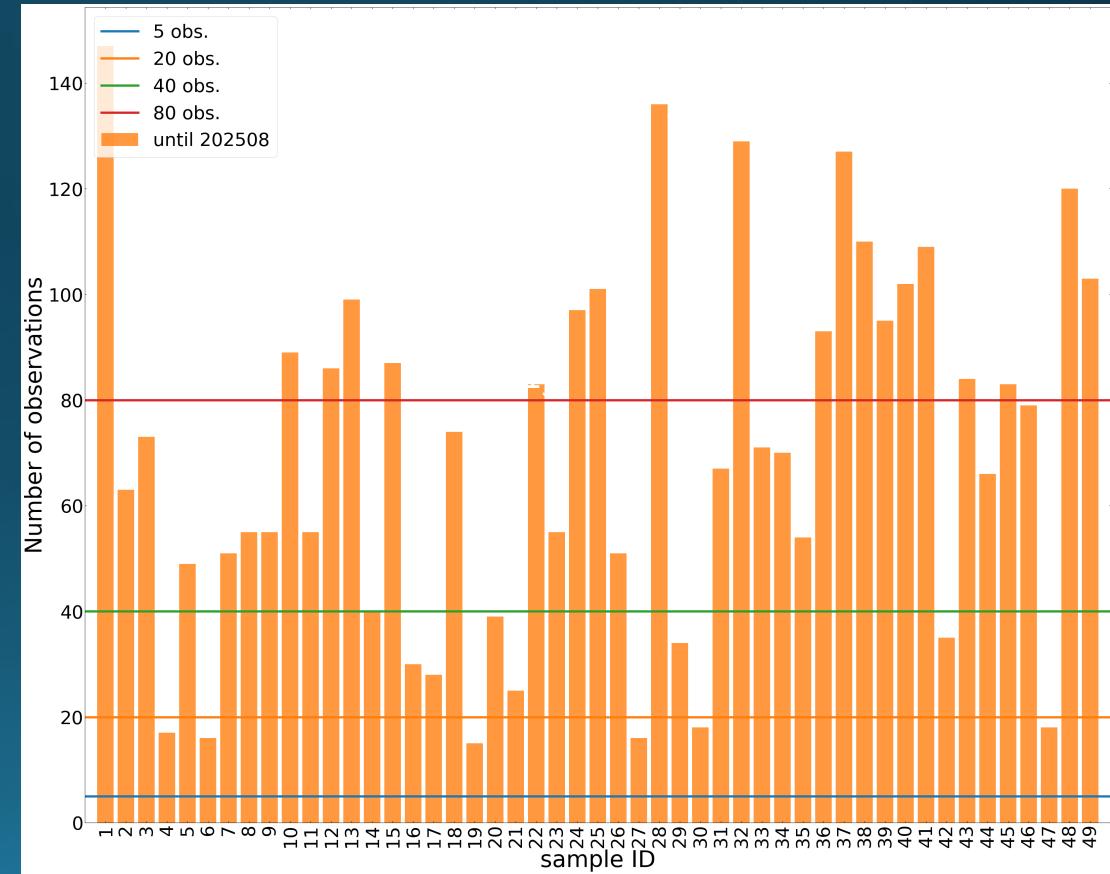
- A total of 175 nights allocated for S19A~S23B period
- 25.5 nights lost due to troubles (telescope, detector, COVID-19). The nights are compensated in S24A-S25A.
- 174.5 nights were used for IRD-SSP by October 2025.
- Remaining 0.5 nights will be allocated in S26A

S25A	Allocated (nights)	Observed (nights)	Success rate (%)
February	1	0.5	52
March	1	0.2	20
April	0		
May	1.5	1.2	78
June	1	0.8	78
July	1.5	1.3	83
Total (S25A)	6.0	3.9	65.2
S25B	Allocated (nights)	Observed (nights)	Success rate (%)
August	0	0.05	# time exchange
September	0		
October	0.5	0.33	65
November	0		
December	0		
January	0		
Total (S25B)	0.5	0.38	75.1

Number of observations for each target

- Monitoring observations were carried out according to several criteria with levels of priority (screening, variability check, monitor, intensive follow-up).
- The numbers of observations for monitoring stars are shown on the right figure.
- The numbers of key stars are listed in the table below.

Number of observations	Number of stars
≥ 5	84
≥ 20	43
≥ 40	37
≥ 80	20



Publications

1. "A Super-Earth Orbiting Near the Inner Edge of the Habitable Zone around the M4.5-dwarf Ross 508", Harakawa et al. 2022, *PASJ*, 74, 904
2. "Elemental Abundances of nearby M Dwarfs Based on High-resolution Near-infrared Spectra Obtained by the Subaru/IRD Survey: Proof of Concept", Ishikawa et al. 2022, *AJ*, 163, 72
3. "An Earth-sized Planet around an M5 Dwarf Star at 22 pc", Hirano et al. 2023, *AJ*, 165, 131
4. "Direct Imaging Explorations for Companions around Mid-Late M Stars from the Subaru/IRD Strategic Program", Uyama et al. 2023, *AJ*, 165, 162
5. "Planetary companions orbiting the M dwarfs GJ 724 and GJ 3988: A CARMENES and IRD collaboration", Gorrini et al. 2023, *A&A*, 680, 28
6. "Gliese 12 b: A Temperate Earth-sized Planet at 12 pc Ideal for Atmospheric Transmission Spectroscopy", Kuzuhara et al. 2024, *ApJ*, 967, id.L21
7. "The CARMENES search for exoplanets around M dwarfs: Revisiting the GJ 317, GJ463, and GJ 3512 systems and two newly discovered planets orbiting GJ9773 and GJ 508.2", Morales et al. 2025, *A&A*, 700, id.A242
8. "Direct Imaging Explorations for Companions from the Subaru/IRD Strategic Program II; Discovery of a Brown-dwarf Companion around a Nearby Mid-M-dwarf LSPM J1446+4633", Uyama et al. 2025, *AJ*, 170, id.272

Several more papers are in preparation.

Collaboration with CARMENES

- New collaboration with the CARMENES team from 2022/09 to maximize science output of IRD-SSP
 - CARMENES project: visible & NIR RV survey of M-dwarfs started in 2016 (750-night exoplanet survey targeting ~300 M dwarfs)
 - Sharing a target list and RV data, coordinated observations, data reduction, activity analysis, etc.

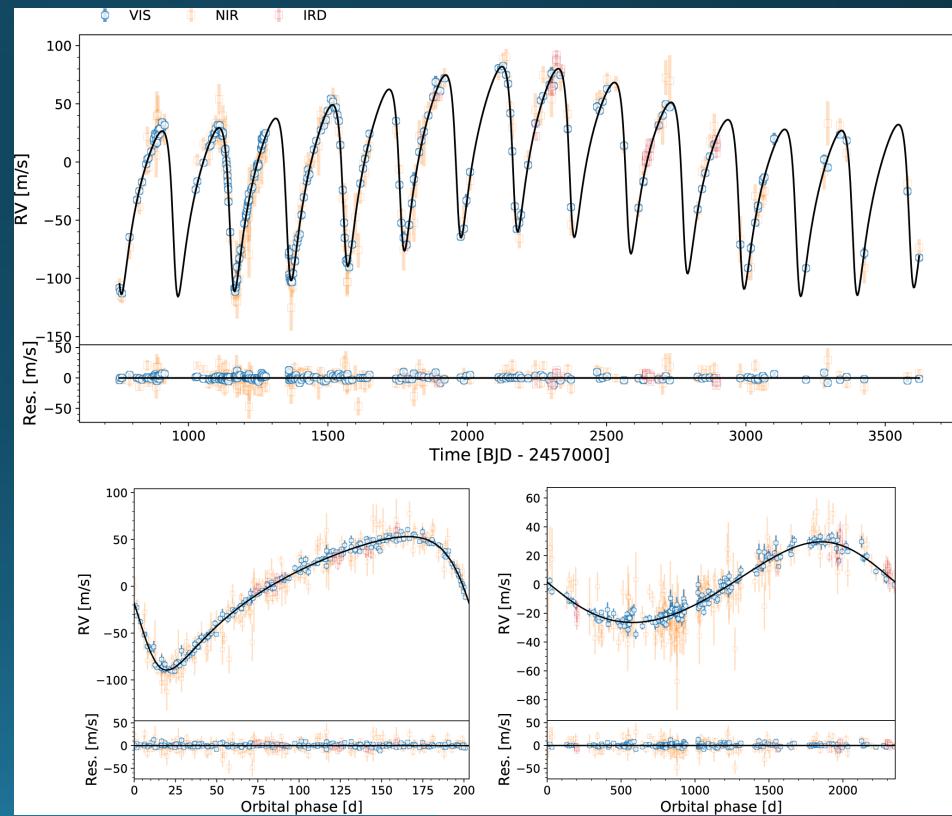


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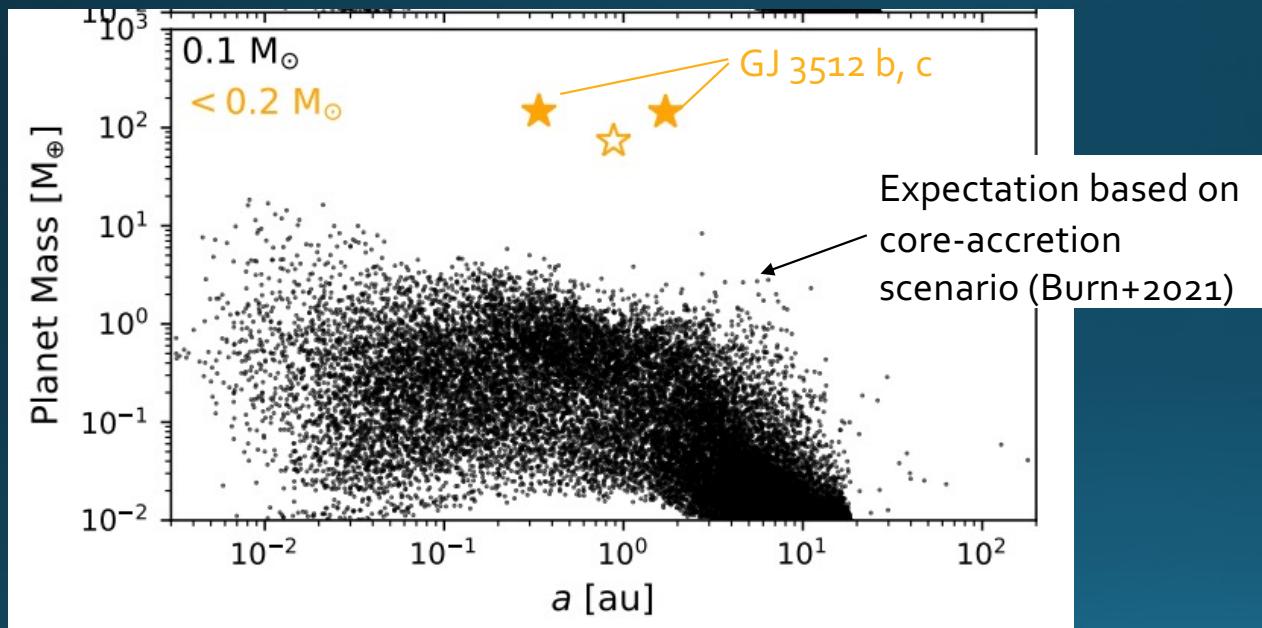
GJ3512 b,c: two jovian planets around a Mid-M dwarf, discovered with CARMENES+IRD data

Star	GJ 3512
Karmn	J08413+594
Spectral type	M 5.5 V
α (J2000)	08:41:20.13
δ (J2000)	+59:29:50.44
$\text{pm}\alpha (\text{mas a}^{-1})$	-260.276 ± 0.023
$\text{pm}\delta (\text{mas a}^{-1})$	-1279.562 ± 0.026
$\pi (\text{mas})$	105.294 ± 0.031
$d (\text{pc})$	9.4973 ± 0.0028
$M (M_{\odot})$	0.123 ± 0.009
$R (R_{\odot})$	0.139 ± 0.005
$T_{\text{eff}} (\text{K})$	3141 ± 38
$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] (\text{dex})$	-0.07 ± 0.16
$v \sin i (\text{km s}^{-1})$	<2
pEWH α (\AA)	-1.339 ± 0.013 (c)
$P_{\text{rot}} (\text{d})$	83

Planet	Parameter	GJ 3512
	$P_b (\text{d})$	$203.109^{+0.035}_{-0.034}$
	$\text{BJD}_{0,b} (+2450000)$	$7739.51^{+0.22}_{-0.20}$
	$K_b (\text{m s}^{-1})$	$71.28^{+0.32}_{-0.31}$
	$P_c (\text{d})$	2354^{+36}_{-30}
	$\text{BJD}_{0,c} (+2450000)$	7339^{+32}_{-37}
	$K_c (\text{m s}^{-1})$	$28.02^{+0.36}_{-0.34}$
	e_b	$0.4279^{+0.0036}_{-0.0035}$
	$\omega_b (\text{deg})$	$126.80^{+0.62}_{-0.64}$
	$a_{2,b} (\text{au})$	$0.3376^{+0.0082}_{-0.0084}$
	$m_b \sin i_b (\text{M}_{\text{Jup}})$	0.461 ± 0.023
	e_c	0.089 ± 0.012
	$\omega_c (\text{deg})$	50 ± 10
	$a_{2,c} (\text{au})$	$1.731^{+0.043}_{-0.046}$
	$m_c \sin i_c (\text{M}_{\text{Jup}})$	0.453 ± 0.023



GJ 3512 b, c challenges the core-accretion scenario



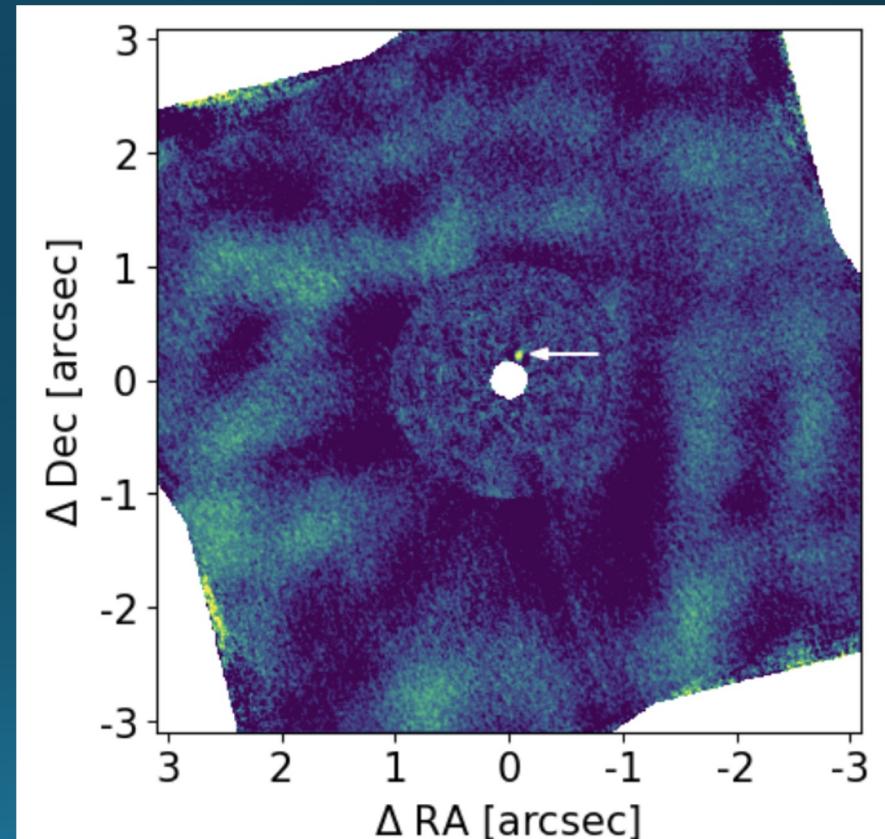
Morales et al. 2025

GJ 3512 b,c are too massive to explain them with the framework of core-accretion scenario

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Gravitational instability?

Direct imaging explorations for companions around Mid-Late M stars

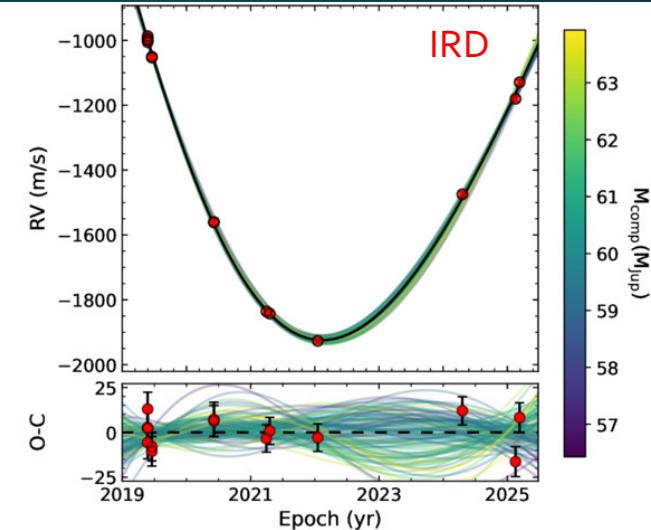
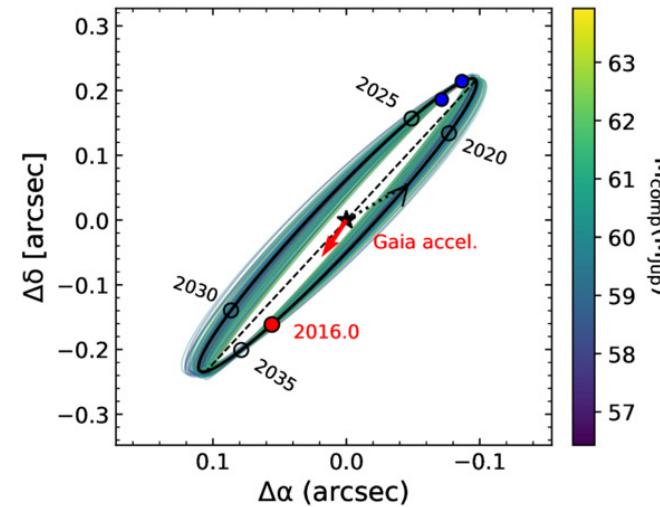
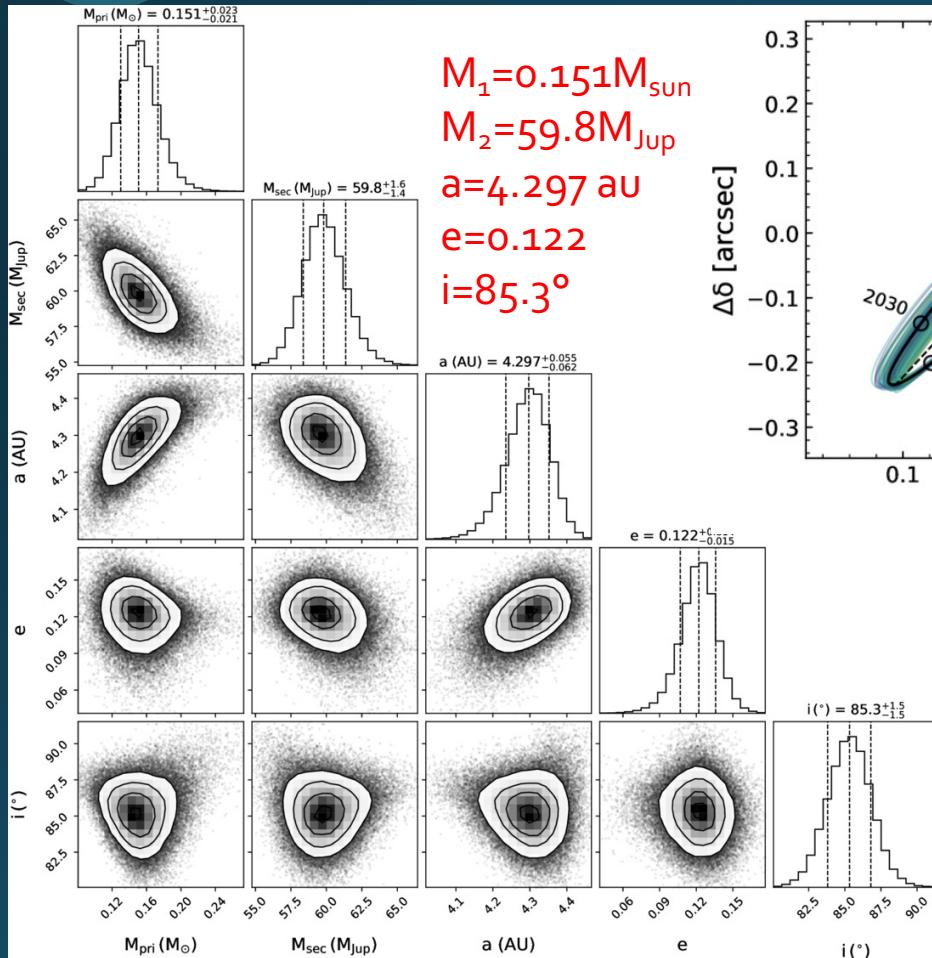
- Binarity study of IRD-SSP sample by Keck/NIRC2 and IRD/FIM
- “Deprioritized” IRD-SSP targets that have signatures of long-term RV trends and/or large RUWE values from the Gaia catalog suggesting unresolved systems
- Detected 7, including 4 new, companions at projected separations between $\sim 2 - 20$ au from the target stars (Uyama+ 2023)
- Detected more companions including a brown dwarf from 2023-2024 campaign (right fig.)



LSPM J1446+4633 (w/ Keck/NIRC2) Uyama et al. 2025

A BD (late-T-dwarf) companion around a Nearby (~17 pc) Mid-M-dwarf LSPM J1446+4633

Uyama et al. 2025

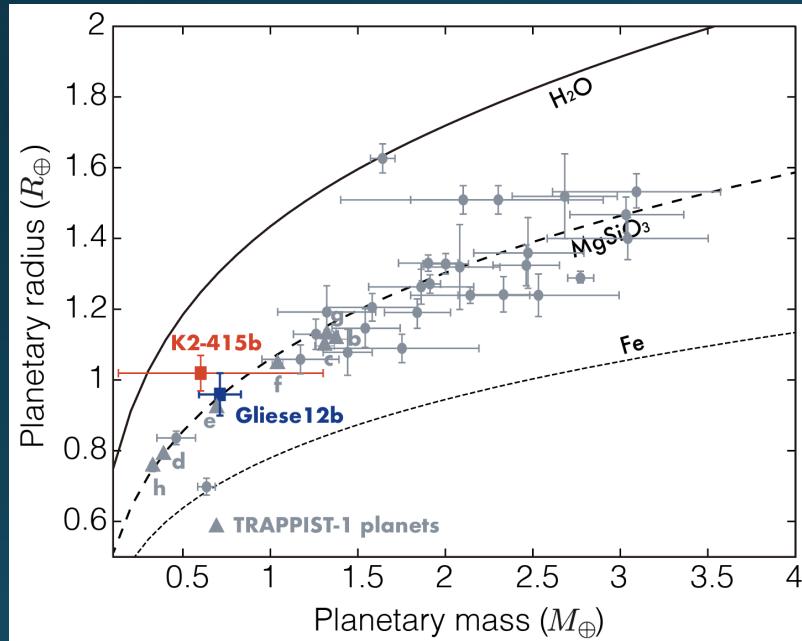


- Orbit determined by RV (IRD) + DI (NIRC₂) + Gaia Acceleration
- Showing a ~30% variability in L'-band flux
 - Clouds, temperature variability, hot spot, aurorae?

A benchmark system to improve our understanding for cool dwarfs

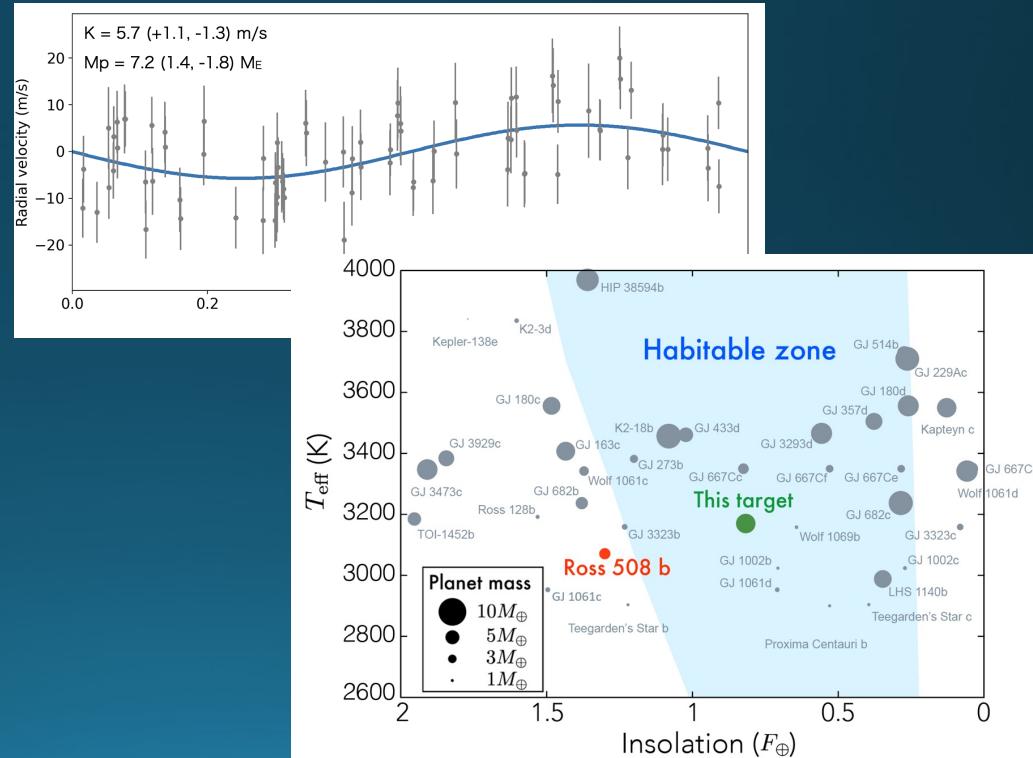
Follow-up observations for IRD-SSP planets and planet candidates

- Improving mass and eccentricity estimates for Earth-sized planets, GJ12b and K2-415b



w/ Subaru/IRD, Gemini/MAROON-X led by Kuzuhara (S25A & S25B accepted, S26A proposed)

- Confirming a super-Earth candidate in the HZ

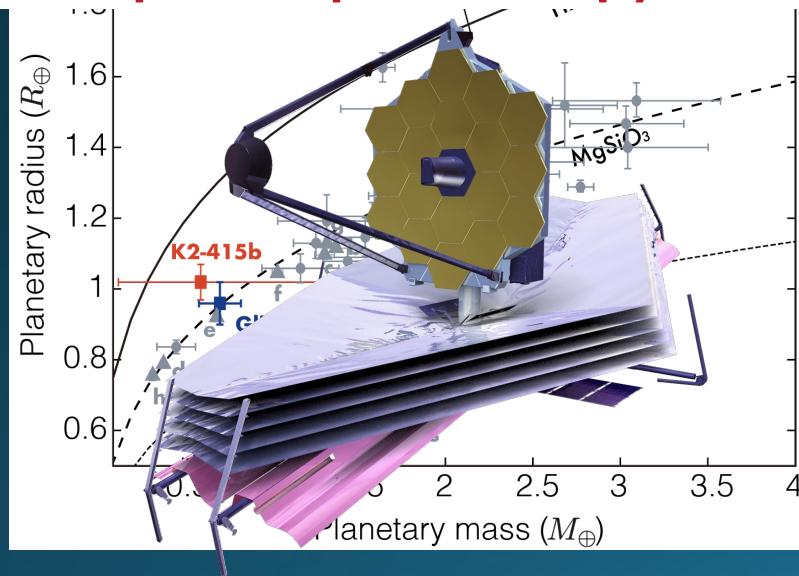


w/ Gemini/MAROON-X led by Kotani (S26A proposed)

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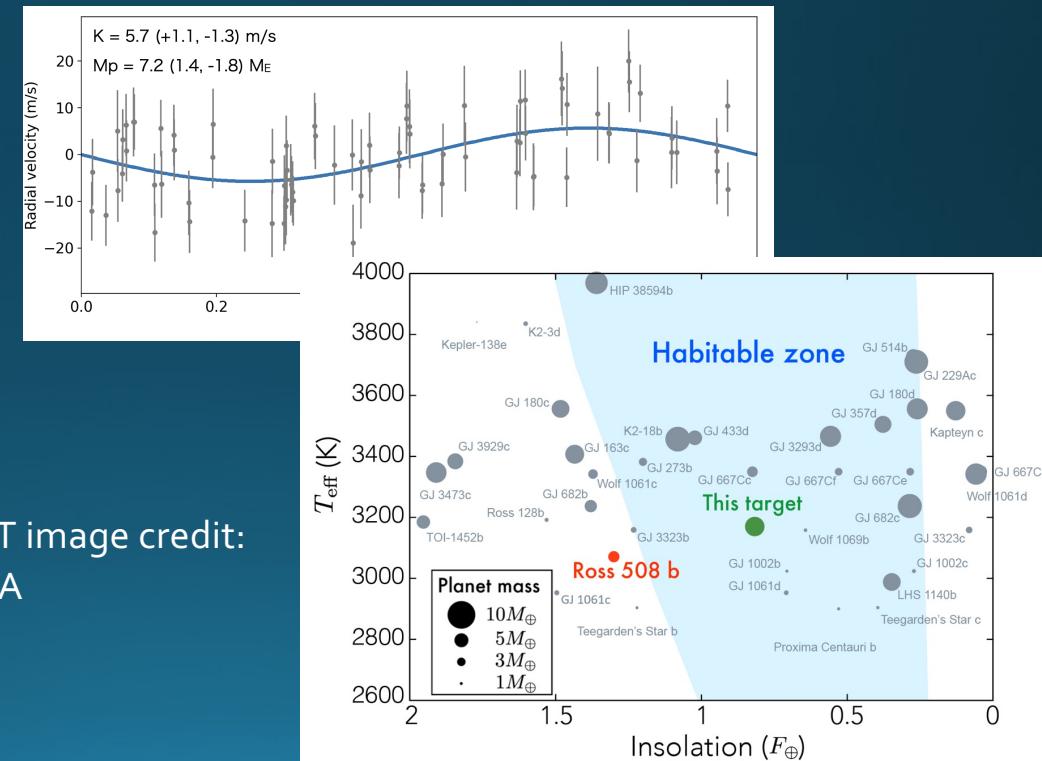
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Good JWST targets for atmosphere spectroscopy



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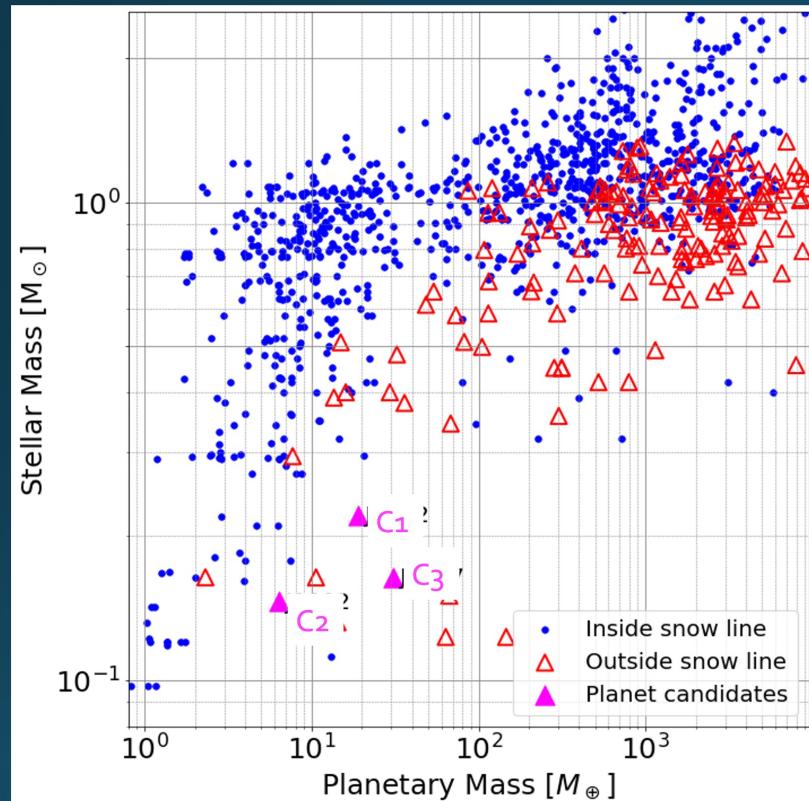
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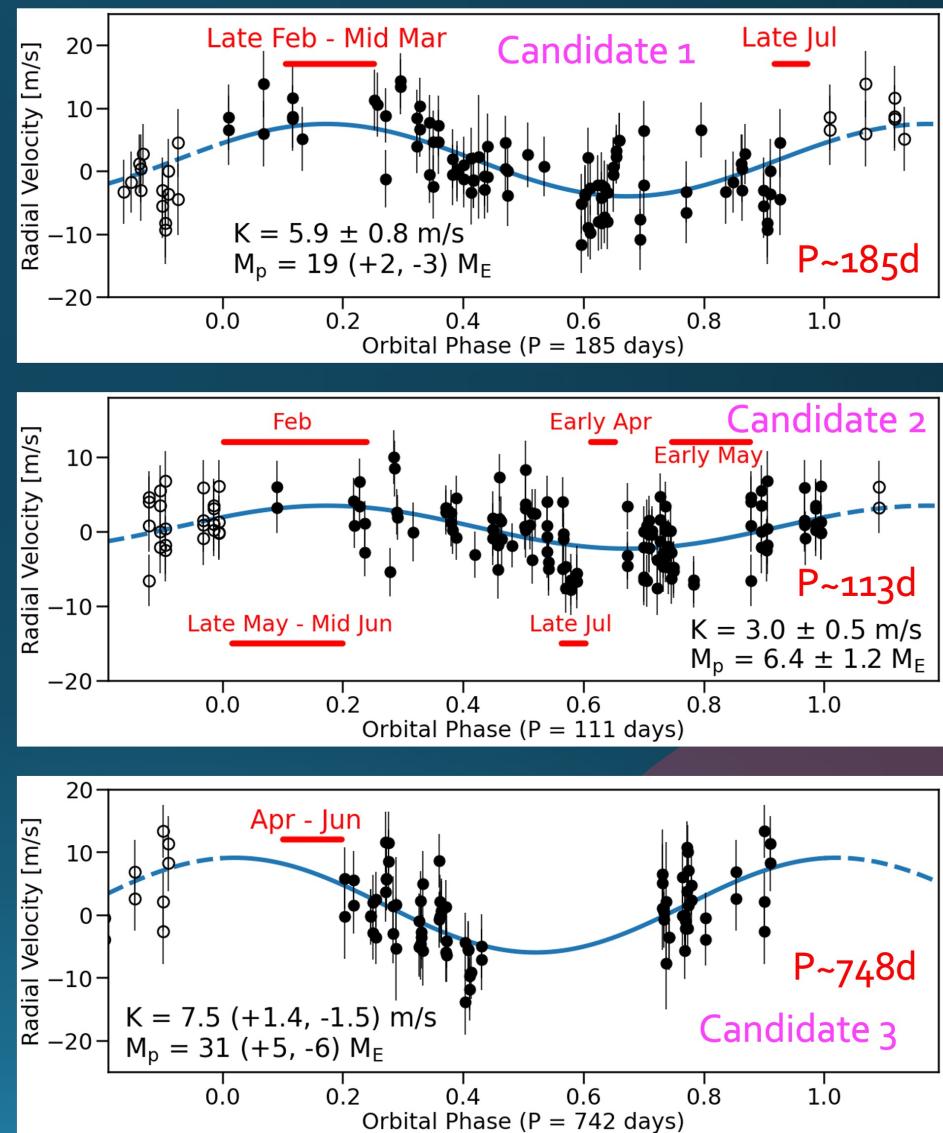
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JWST image credit:
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- Confirming planet candidates beyond snow lines, giant-planet forming regions, around lowest-mass M dwarfs



w/ Subaru/IRD led by Takarada (S26A proposed)



Papers in planning

- Magnetic activity of M dwarfs (activity indicator, line-profile analysis etc.)
- Binary study (orbital motion, dynamical mass, etc.) using FIM and RV data
- Atmospheric parameters and abundance analysis for IRD-SSP targets
- Development of calibration method for telluric lines using rapidly rotating stars taken with IRD
- Input catalog (target parameters, stellar activity, H α intensity etc.)
- Spectral library (N1R spectra of IRD-SSP targets)
- RV data release paper (DR1, DR2)
- Follow-up works on known planet-host stars
- Statistical analysis (occurrence rate, distribution of planets etc.) for IRD-SSP targets
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Thank you for your attention!