Current/Future UV Capabilities

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UV emission from aurorae <u>Terrestrial</u>: HI Ly-series, OI, OII $\lambda = 91.2 - 121.6$ nm, 130.4/135.6 nm

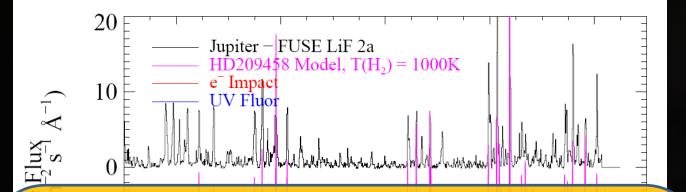
Jovian: HI Ly-series, H₂ $\lambda = 91.2 - 121.6$ nm, 70 - 165 nm

UV emission from aurorae



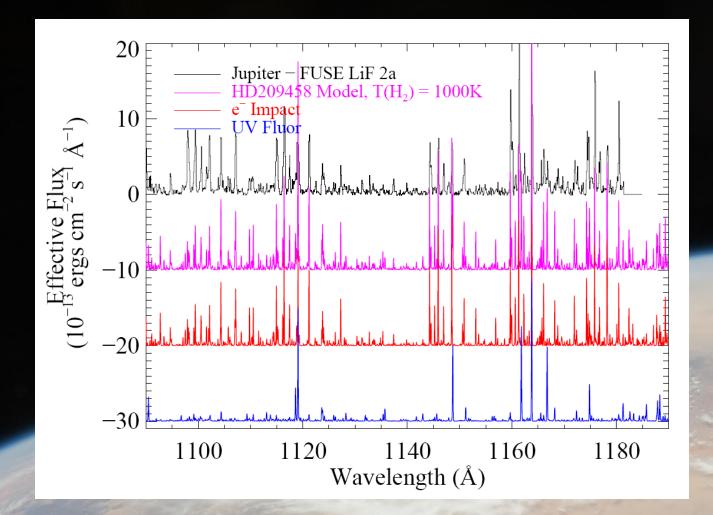
Gustin et al. (2004) Icarus, 171, 336

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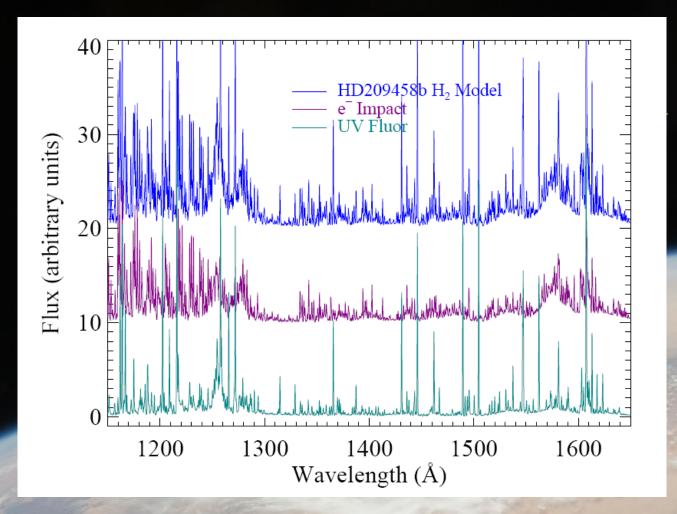


Diagnostic power of auroral H₂ emission:
1) column density and kinetic (rotational) temperature of atmospheric emission layer
2) temperature structure of overlying layers (similar to those derived from H₃⁺ spectra)
3) precipitating electron energy distribution
4) hydrocarbon (mostly methane) column density above the emitting layer

UV emission from aurorae



UV emission from aurorae/dayglow



• HST $(115 - 170 \text{ nm} [MgF_2 \rightarrow Csl])$

Imaging: ACS/SBC -Spectroscopy: STIS and COS

STIS:

multi-plex: higher-resolution (R~40,000) imaging spectroscopy

COS:

higher sensitivity (factor of ~80 w.r.t STIS for exo-aurorae search targets), $A_{eff} \sim 600 - 2500 \text{ cm}^2$

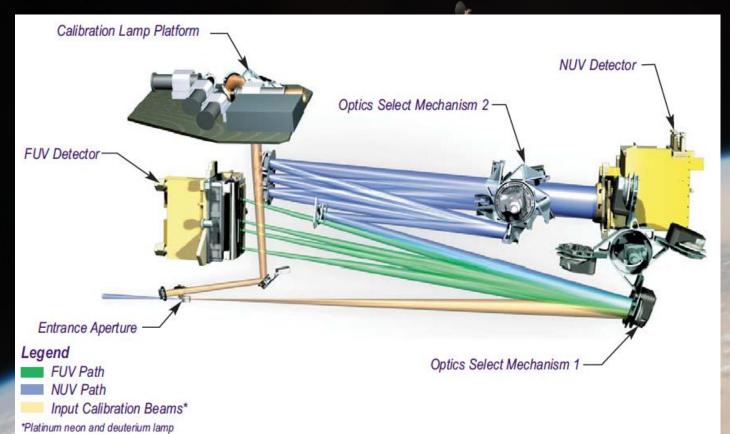
sufficient resolution (R~17,000)

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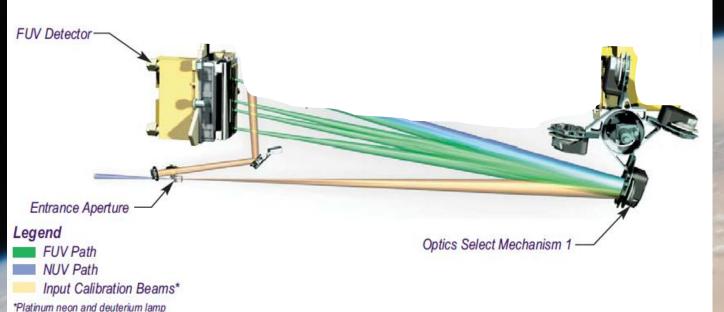


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UV emission from HD209458b



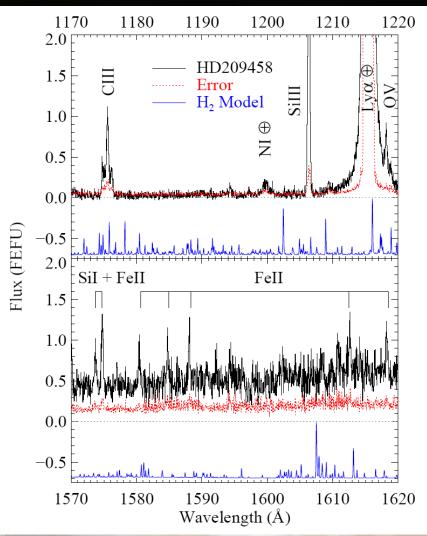
Artist's View of Extrasolar Planet HD 209458b NASA, ESA, and G. Bacon (STScl) • STScl-PRC10-21



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UV upper limits from HD209458b

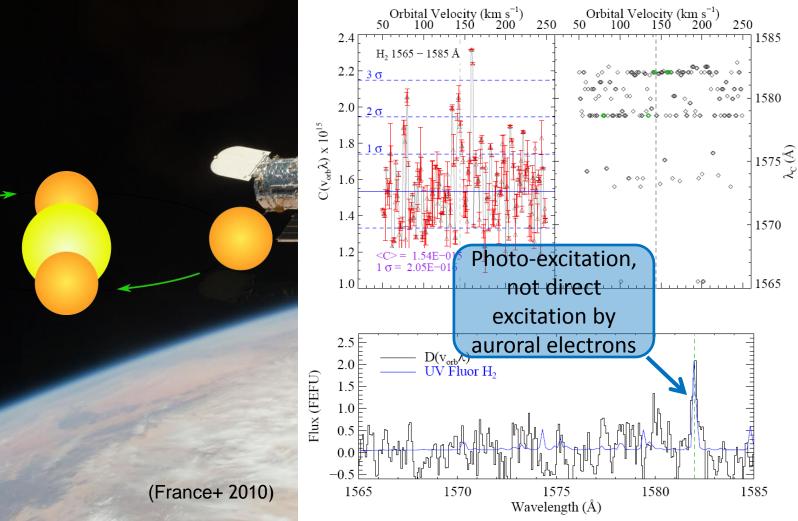


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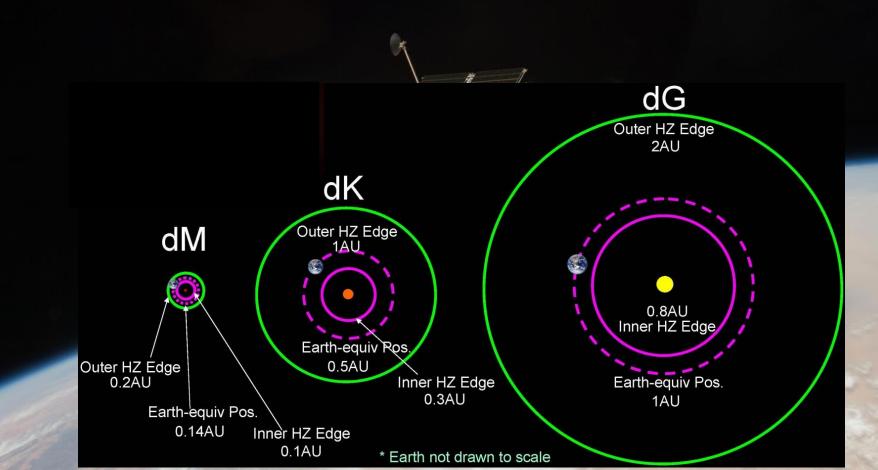
Table 4. Limits on H_2 emission from the atmosphere of HD209458b.

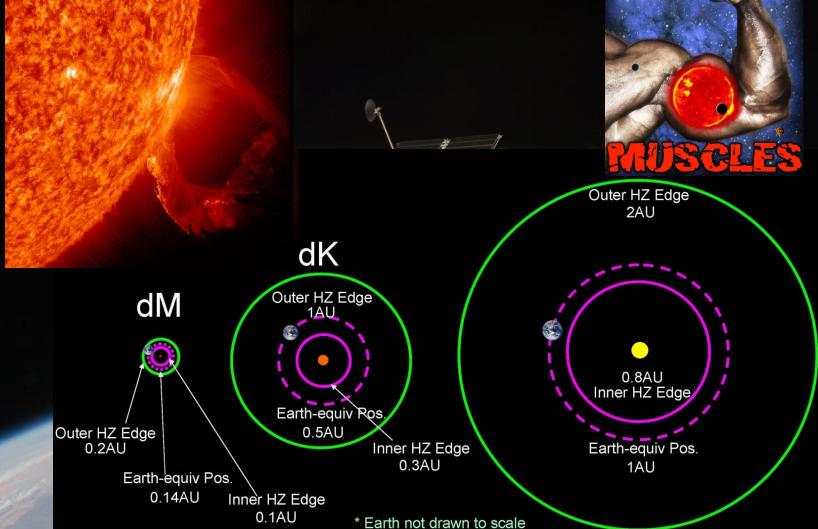
Line ID ^b	$\begin{array}{c} \lambda_{rest} \\ (\text{\AA}) \end{array}$	Excitation	Brightness ^a $(10^{-17} \text{ ergs cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1})$	Notes ^c
C - X (1 - 4) P(5)	1171.96	e^- Impact	≤ 0.76	
$C - X \left(2 - 5 ight) \mathrm{Q}(1)$	1175.83	e^- Impact	≤ 6.22	Blend with C III
$C-X \; (4-8) \; { m Q}(1)$	1239.53	e^- Impact	≤ 0.44	
$B - X \left(1 - 3 ight) { m R}(5)$	1265.67	UV photon, ${\rm Ly}\alpha$	≤ 0.71	
$C - X \left(7 - 12 ight) \mathrm{Q}(3)$	1279.10	e^- Impact	≤ 0.80	
$B-X (6-7){ m P(1)}$	1365.66	UV photon, ${\rm Ly}\beta$	≤ 2.01	
$B-X (6-9) { m P}(1)$	1461.97	UV photon, ${\rm Ly}\beta$	≤ 3.36	Stellar continuum at $\lambda \gtrsim 1420$ Å
$B-X (1-8){ m R}(3)$	1547.34	UV photon, ${\rm Ly}\alpha$	≤ 5.83	
B = X (7 = 13) P(3)	1580.74	e ⁻ Impact	≤ 10.14	Blend with Fe II
$B - X \left(2 - 9 ight) \mathrm{P}(4)$	1581.11	UV photon	11.72 ± 3.08	Blend with Fe II
$B - X \left(6 - 12 ight) \mathrm{P}(1)$	1581.11	UV photon, $Ly\beta$		Blend with Fe II
$B-X \; (6-13) \; { m P}(1)$	1607.50	UV photon, ${\rm Ly}\beta$	≤ 10.54	
$B-X \; (5-12) \; { m P}(3)$	1613.18	e^- Impact +	≤ 12.80	
		UV Photon, O VI		

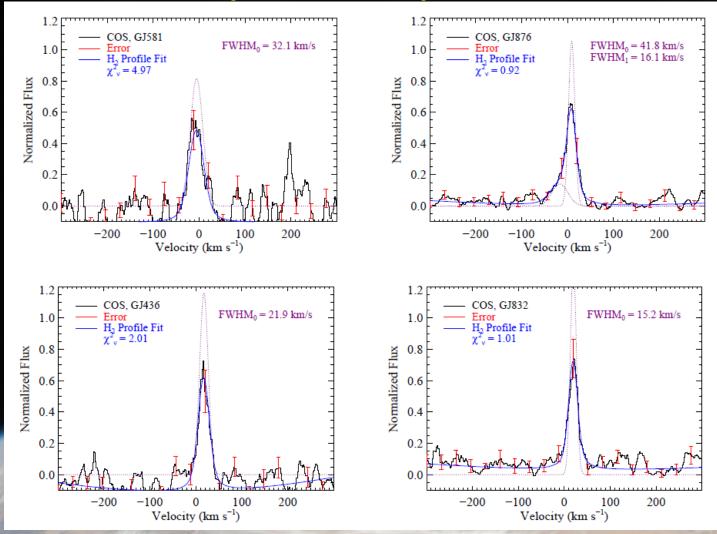
Tentative H₂ Detection from HD209458b

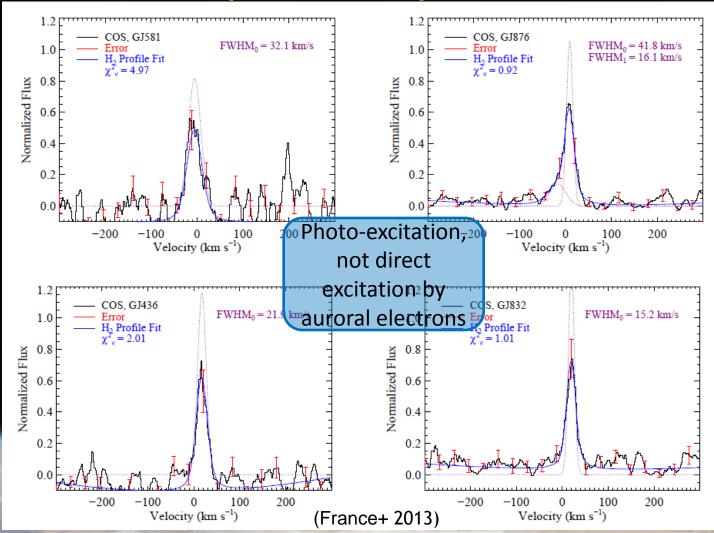




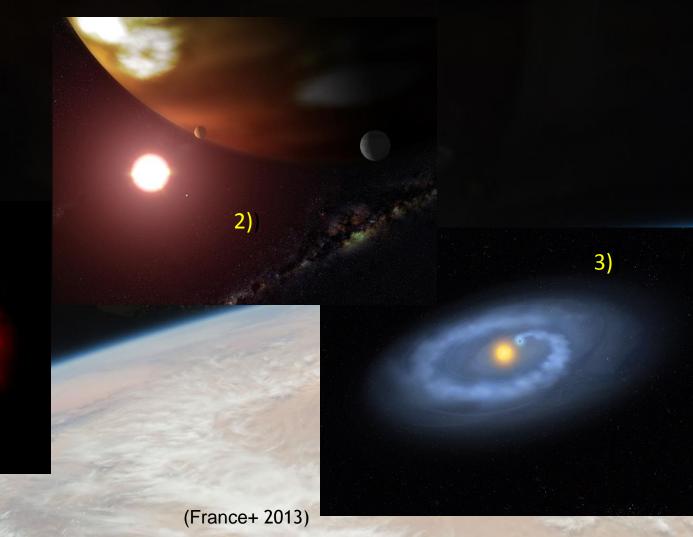




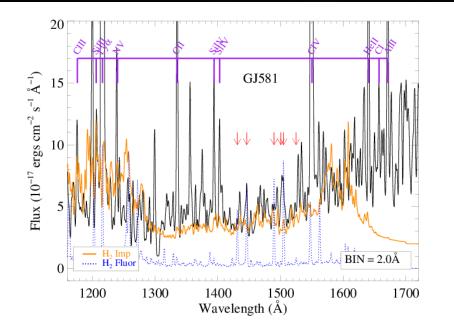




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Exoplanetary systems with potential auroral emission limits



Jupiters:

HD 209458, HD 189733, GJ 876, GJ 832, ε Eri, 2M1207

Neptunes: GJ 436, GJ 581

Super-Earths:

GJ 581, GJ 667C, GJ 1214, GJ 876, 55 Cnc

(France+ TBD)

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Future UV prospects

Nothing in the queue after HST

Next UV/vis flagship (4-8m) ~ 2035?

SMEX/MIDEX, possible start in this decade, launch in 2018 – 2022 timeframe

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Future UV prospects

<u>SMEX AO – sequestration – Fall 2014?</u>

1m mirror + improved components

Exoplanet auroral studies: compatible with other primary mission science (e.g, IGM/CGM emission mapping, protoplanetary gas disk characterization, HZ radiation fields)

Technology development paths

Technology development paths to get to HSTlike capability with Explorer-class aperture:

• UV/vis coatings (France/Nikzad APRA, Quijada SAT)

UV detectors:

Microchannel plate arrays (Vallerga SAT) δ-doped CCDs (Nikzad SAT) HEROIC CMOS readouts (France APRA & Roman) low-Z MCPs & ALD coatings (Siegmund APRA) Technology development paths to get to HSTlike capability with Explorer-class aperture:

• Flight Demonstration \rightarrow TRL 6/7

Sounding Rockets (McCandliss - JHU, France - CU, Chakrabarti & Cook – UMLowell; APRA)

Balloons (Martin – Caltech; APRA)

CubeSats?