# AtmoSpheres in a test tube

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Ref: Tinetti et al., 2012;



A planet's spectrum is the product of a complex interplay of environmental components and processes.

# The habitable zone (Kasting et al. 1993)



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# HZ for the other stars

The HZ limits around the other stars of different spectral type are given by:



# Characterizing Extrasolar Planets. Deduce from observations:

- Environmental Characteristics
  - host star, placement in solar system, moons, other planets
- Photometric properties and variability
- Remote-sensing spectroscopic analysis
  - the presence of an atmosphere and its chemical composition
  - albedo, thermal emissivity, temperature
  - atmospheric structure (T(z), P(z))
  - trace gas mixing ratios
  - temporal variations, phase and
  - seasonal variations

#### Astronomical Biosignatures

- photometric, spectral or temporal features indicative of life.

Integrate Ligth from earth, reflected by the dark side of the moon: Chlorophill,  $O_2$ ,  $O_3$ ,  $H_2O$ .



# **Direct Imaging of Exo-Planets**



HR 87991.5 Msun,130 light years from Earth.

- Rapid identification of the planet
- Determination of the orbit, no M sin(i) ambiguity
- Characterization of the planet
  - albedo, temperature, chemical composition
  - => test of atmospheric models, of evolutionary models
- Access to a new (separation, age) domain
  - Planets around young stars
  - Larger separations (P > few years)
- Access to all types of stars
  - Early type stars
  - Active stars

### But ... difficult !

## Transmission and occultation spectroscopy

#### Crossfield 2015

### Eclipse:

Removing "star" from "star plus planet" flux reveals the planet's thermal emission or albedo:

Transmission:

Planet's apparent size at different wavelengths reveals atmospheric opacity and composition.

### Direct Imaging:

Spatially resolving planet from star allows measurement of thermal emission or albedo.



#### Phase Curves:

Total system light throughout an orbit constrains atmospheric circulation and/or composition.



# Atmosphere In A Test Tube

To Simulate Planetary Atmosphere in laboratory in order to:

- Produce Data base of Spectra at different P and T conditions
- Study the possible modification to rocky planets atmospheres due to biota
  Study the interaction between radiation and Atmospliere

# Experimental setup @ INAF-IASF Giant planets atmospheres

#### FT-IR Specification:

#### **Detectors:**

DTGS	350-10000 cm <sup>-1</sup>
MCT	850-12000 cm <sup>-1</sup>
InGaAs	9000-12800 cm <sup>-1</sup>
Si	9000-25000 cm <sup>-1</sup>

#### Sources:

MIR	100-8000 cm <sup>-1</sup>
NIR/VIS	3000-25000 cm <sup>-1</sup>

#### **Beam splitter:**

KBr	380-10000 cm <sup>-1</sup>
CaF <sub>2</sub>	4000-50000 cm <sup>-1</sup>
Resolutio	on (10-0.07) cm <sup>-1</sup>





### Giant planets atmospheres Multi pass gas cell @ intermediate pressure and high temperature



# Giant planets atmospheres Cavity Ring Down (CRD) Cell





Quartz mirrors with a HR coating (99,97 %) have been glued on a quartz tube with several holes.

A CRD time of about 17 ms corresponds with an optical path of about 5 km.

# **INFN DaFne-Ligh synchrotron facility**

A synchrotron facility operating with syncrotron and standard sources in the Infrared and UV-VIS energy range is open to external users.



- Extended IR range (from Far-IR to NIR-VIS)
- Chemical microimaging of materials
- Real time study of photoageing processes
- Exo-biosphere's evolution and biosignature characterization
- High temperature (1200°C) / high pressure (20GPa) setup





## INFN

### SOURCE branchline in a 1000-class cleanroom

UV-VIS monochromatic radiation source (180-650 nm)

VUV monochromatic radiation source (120-250 nm)

UV-VIS radiation source (200-650 nm)



- Large optical systems (up to 4 m) surface characterization
- UV photoageing of optical components and materials
- Detector calibration
- Photobiology and exobiology experiments

## LIFE @ INAF OAPA (Light Irradiation Facility for Exochemistry)

UV Source (HI Lya)



## INAF OAPD- Padua Dept. Physics & Astronomy: Rocky Planets atmosphere modification caused by biota



0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 1.0

Wavelength (microns

MINI-LISA ambient simulator



AIMS: Study the metabolism, vitality and gaseous production of photosynthetic bacteria when forced to live in a different environment, mimicing an earth-like planet orbiting around the HZ of an M type star.

# **Timeline of the experiment**

Step Zero: -conception of an M starlight simulator -Choice of bacteria -Incubator build-up

First step: Irradiation of the samples with solar light in terrestrial conditions - Analysis of gaseous abundances in the cells

Third step: -Irradiation of the samples with M star radiation at terrestrial pressure,temperature and extrasolar planet gaseous mixture, -Analysis of gaseous abundances in the cells.

Second step: -Irradiation of the samples with M star radiation, -Analysis of gaseous abundances in the cells

**Ancillary science: Plants on M star planets** 











