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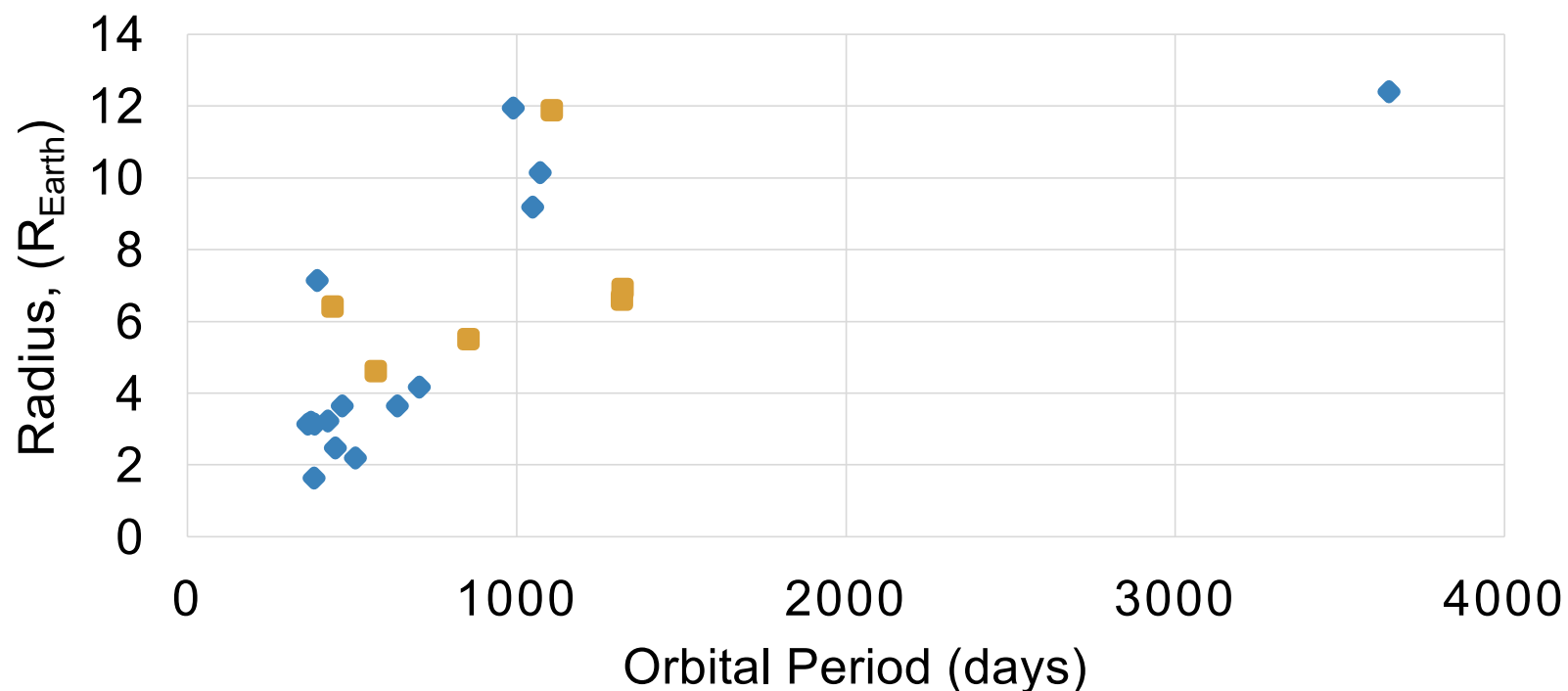
Citizen Science & Exoplanets

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January 10, 2022

EXOPLANETS WITH ≥ 1 YEAR PERIODS AND KNOWN RADII

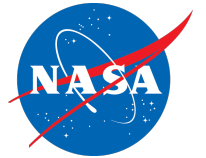
■ NASA Citizen Science Discoveries ◆ Other



Cit Sci Planets from Wang et al. 2015, Kostov et al. 2016

Others from Giles+ 2018, Kipping+ 2016, Beichman+ 2018, Dalba+ 2021, Kipping+ 2014, Schmitt+ 2017. Morton+ 2016, Jenkins+ 2015

NASA citizen scientists discovered:



- A transiting planet in a quadruple star system (Schwamb+ 2013)
- The star-forming regions called “yellowballs” (Kerton+ 2015)
- “Dipper” stars (Boyajian+ 2016)
- “Peter Pan” disks (Silverberg+ 2016)
- Transiting exocomets in Kepler Data (Rappaport+ 2017)
- A six-planet transiting system (Christiansen+ 2018)
- The oldest white dwarf debris disk (Debes+2019)
- The Extreme T subdwarfs (Schneider et al. 2020)
- Planetary-mass brown dwarfs (Bardalez-Gagliuffi+2020)



NASA's citizen science projects are
science projects that rely on volunteers.

**SMD Citizen Science Policy
SPD-33**

“All NASA citizen science projects shall be designed
and implemented to meet the **same rigorous
standards as any NASA science program...**”

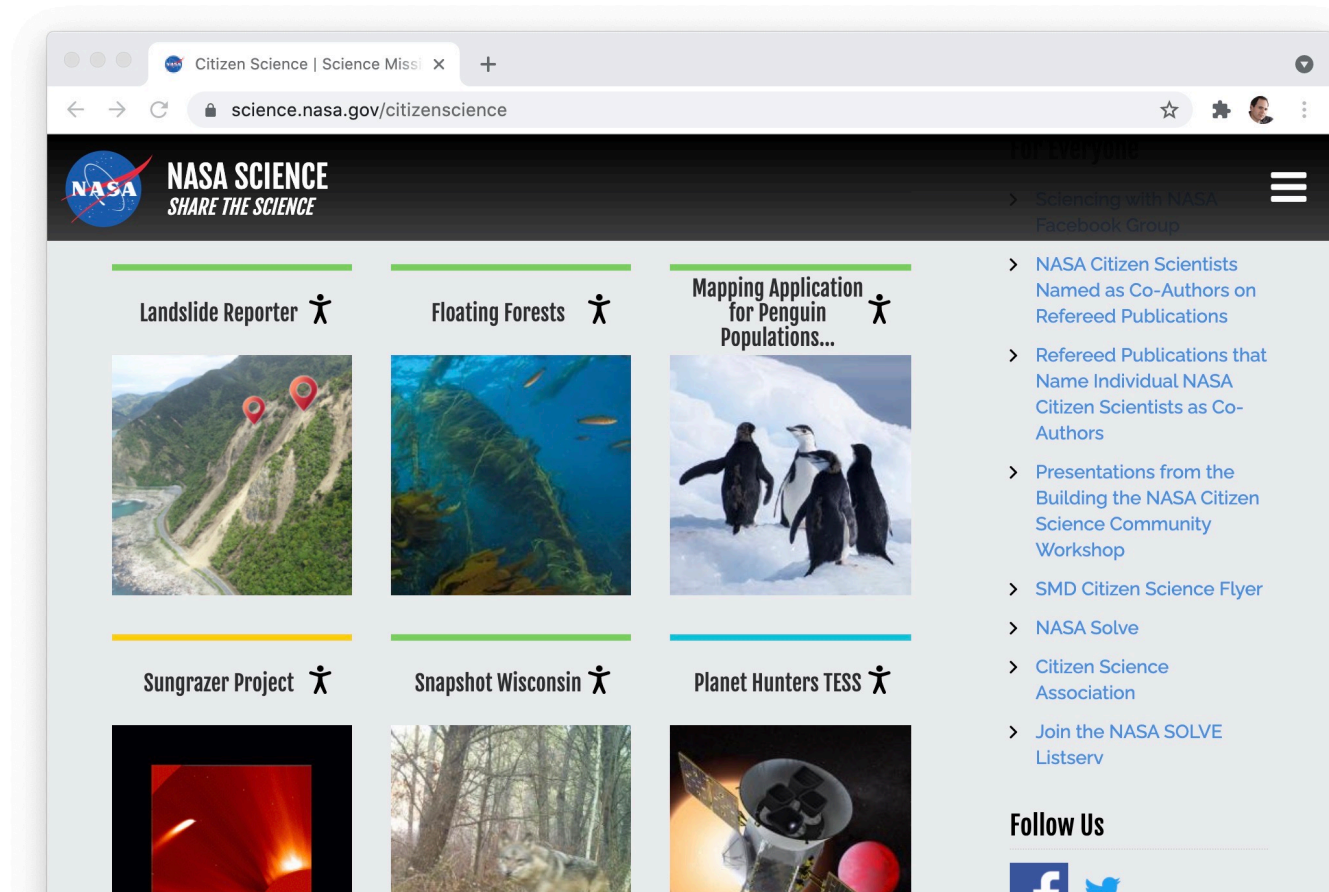
**NASA Citizen Science Policy
NPD 1090.2**

science.nasa.gov/citizenscience

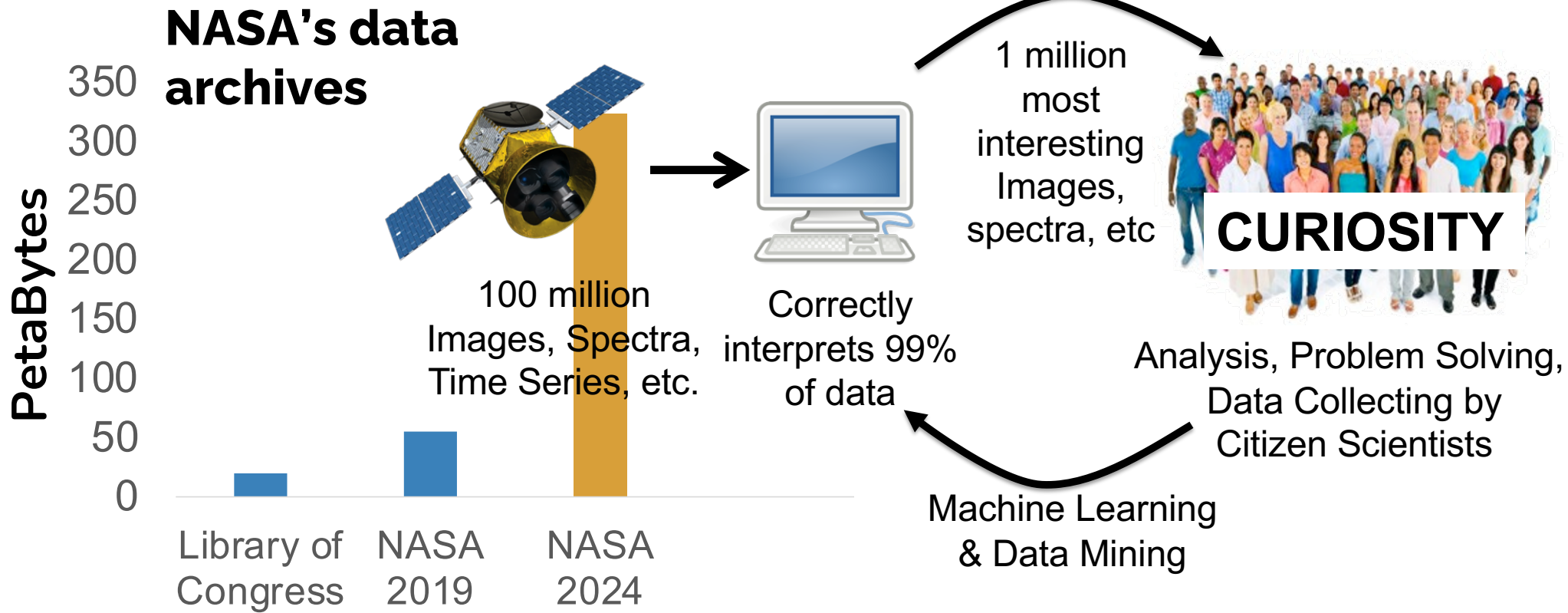


26 active NASA projects online

15 of these can be done by anyone, anywhere



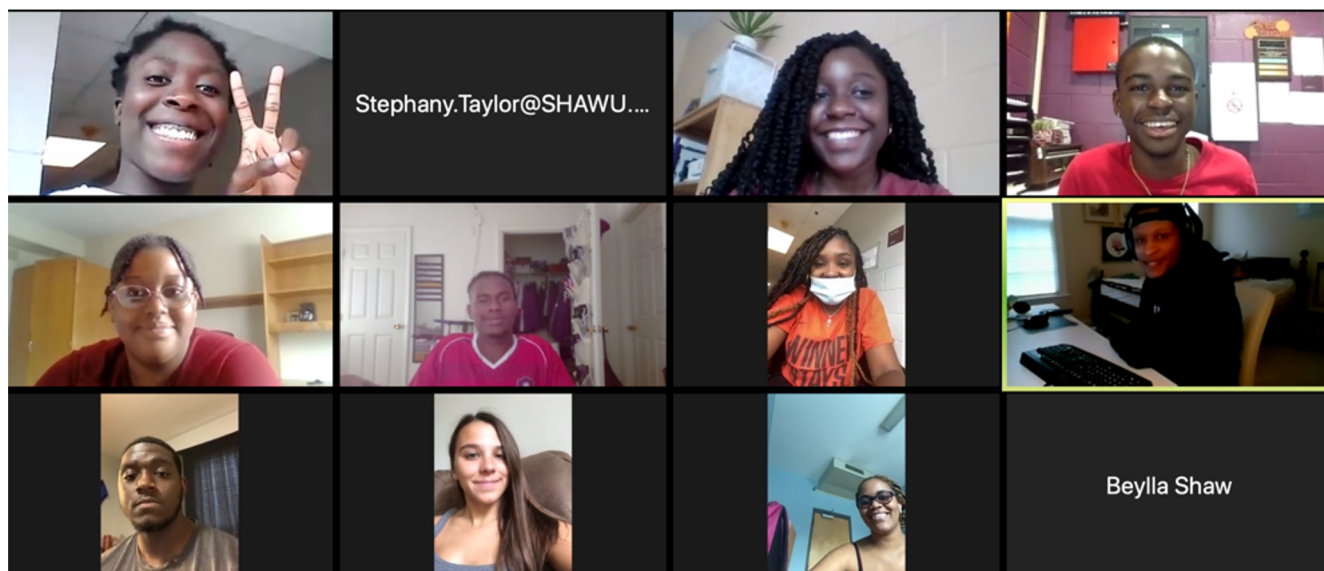
Present and Future of NASA Science



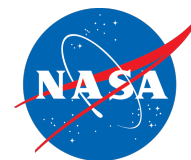


Inclusion added to list of NASA core values 7/20

Safety, Integrity, Teamwork, Excellence + Inclusion!



Shaw University students doing NASA's Floating Forests Citizen Science project.



2 million+
volunteers

~140,000 with
advanced
degrees!



Lawyer

Mental Health
Counselor

Data Scientist

Pulmonologist

High School
Student

Chef/
Entrepreneur

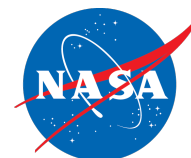
Stay-at-Home
Mom

Retired
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>200 NASA
Citizen
Scientists Are
**Named Co-
Authors** on
Scientific
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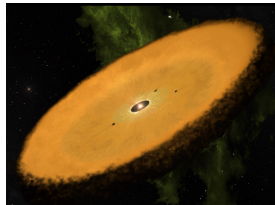
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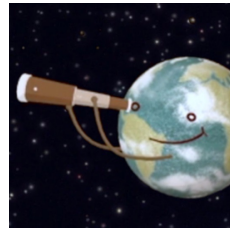
2012



Planet Hunters

Fischer+ 2012
Schwamb+ 2012

2014



Disk Detective

Kuchner+2016

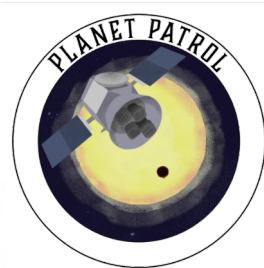
2016



Backyard Worlds: Planet 9

Kuchner+2017

2018



Exoplanet Explorers

Christiansen+2018

2020



Planet Patrol

Kostov+ 2022

2022

Exoplanet Watch

Zellem+ 2020

Planet Hunters TESS

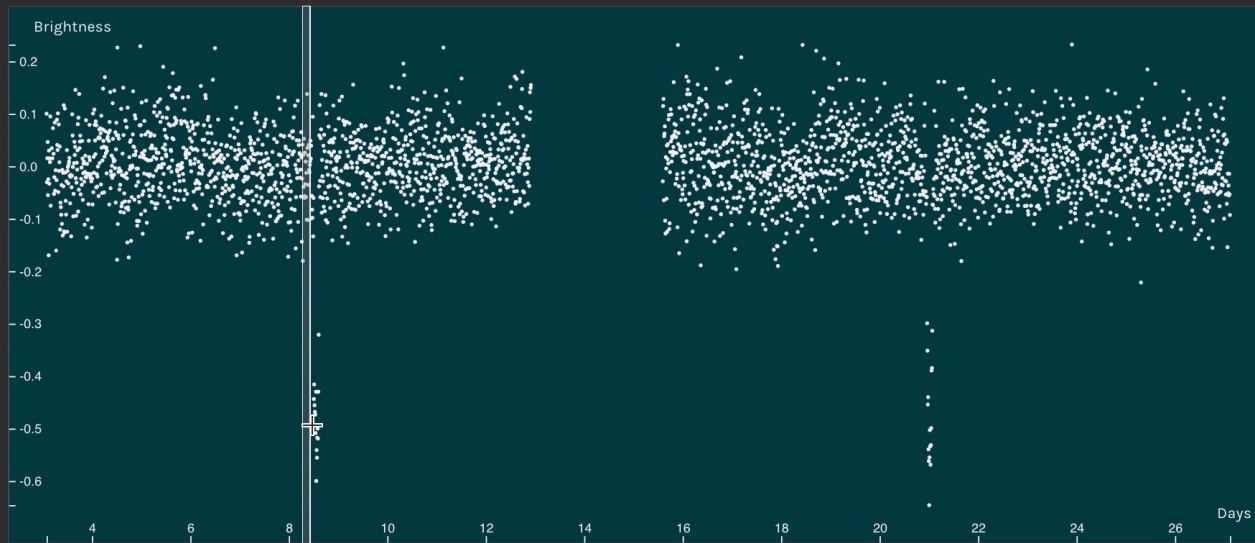
Eisner+2019





Planet Hunters TESS ✓

PLANET HUNTERS TESS



FIELD GUIDE



SUBJECT INFO ADD TO FAVOURITES ADD TO COLLECTIONS

TASK

TUTORIAL

Do you spot a transit? If so, please mark it on the lightcurve to the left!

If you don't see any transits, continue by clicking Done or Done & Talk.

Transit?

NEED SOME HELP WITH THIS TASK?

SWITCH TO LIGHT THEME



Finished for the day?

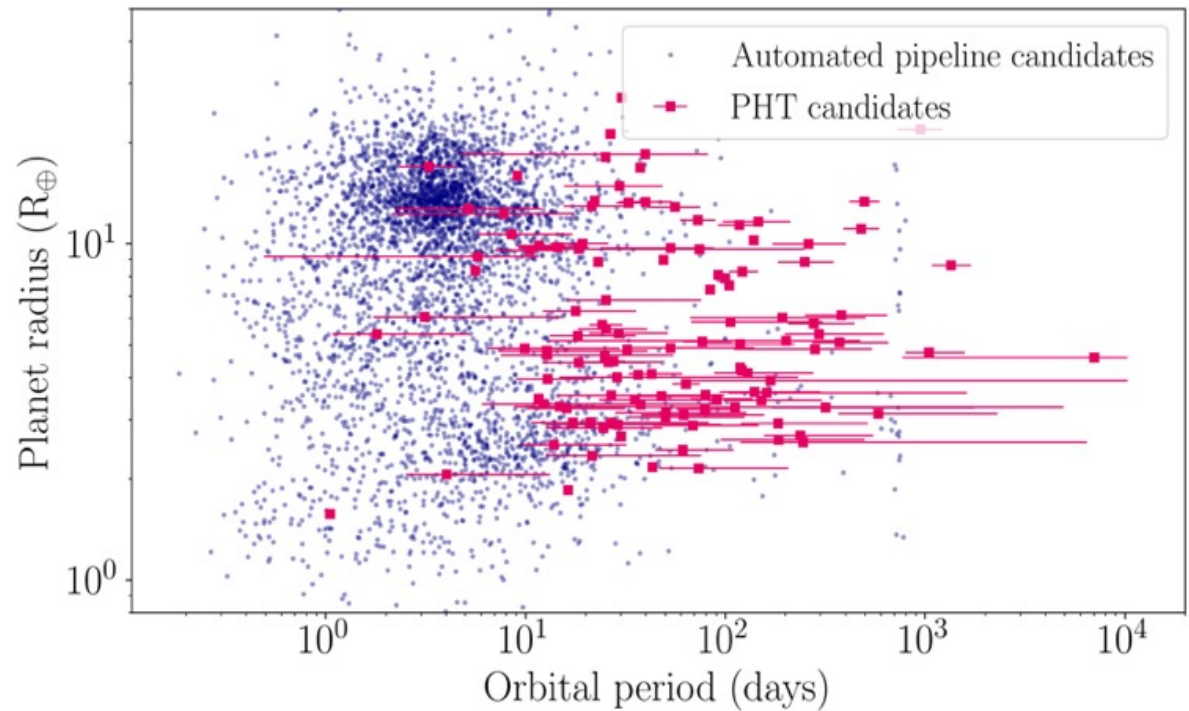
Your answers are saved for the research team while you're working. See the project stats and return to the Planet Hunters TESS home page.



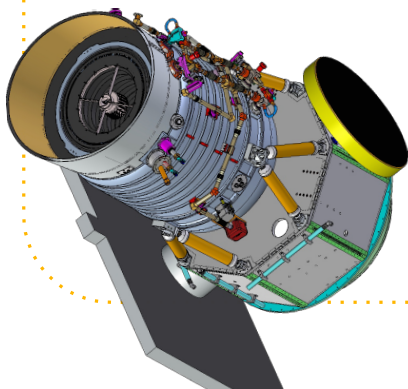
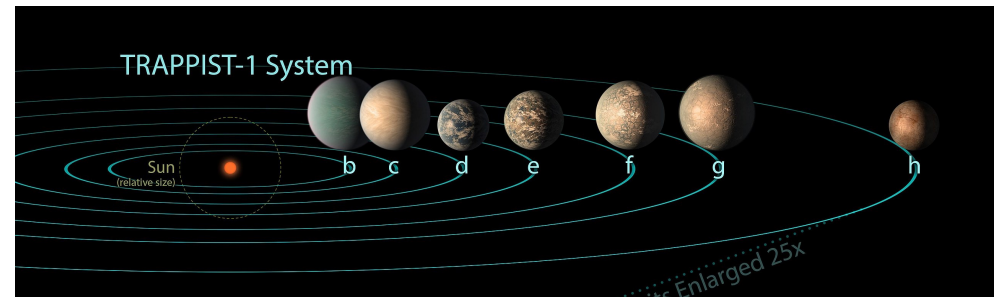
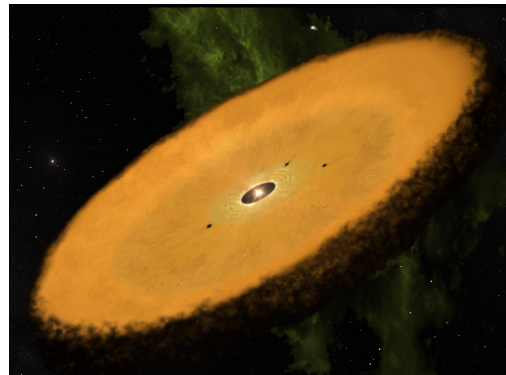
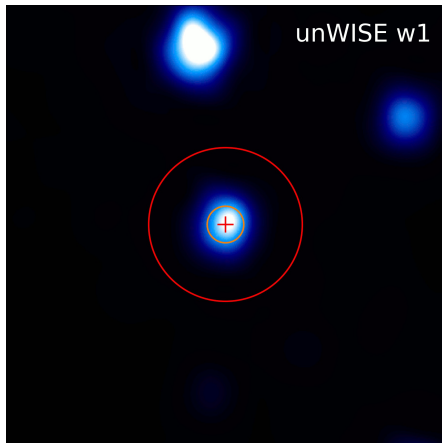
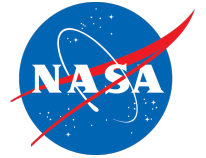
Planet Hunters TESS



- **> 20 million** classifications since December 2018
- **> 30 thousand** registered volunteers
- **WATCH FOR PRESS RELEASE THIS WEEK!!**



DiskDetective.org



“Peter Pan” Disks
20-50 Myr **Gas-Rich** Protoplanetary Disks

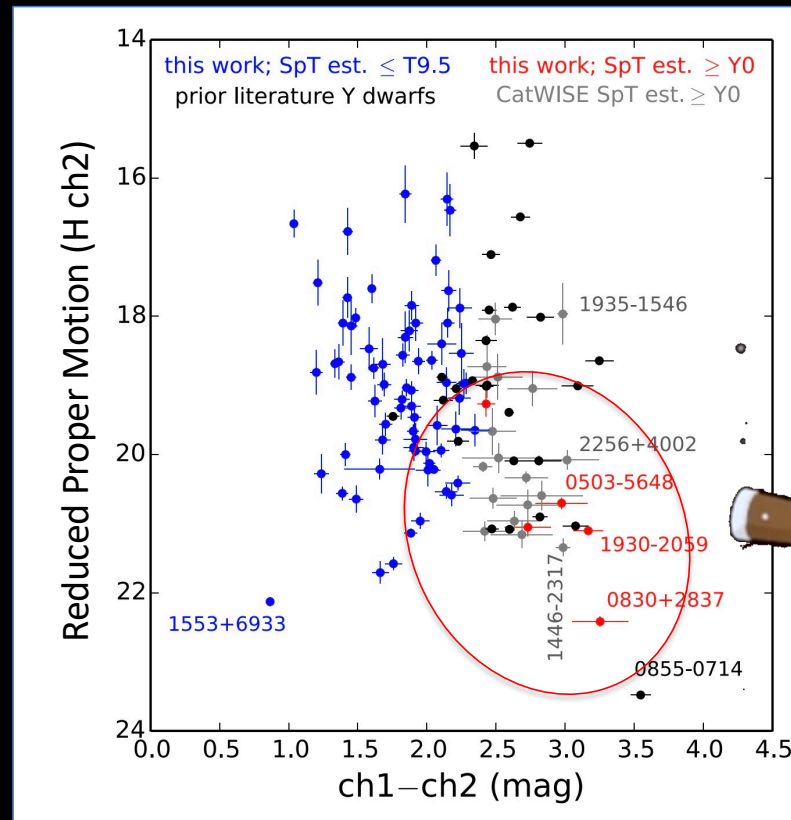
BACKYARD WORLDS: PLANET 9

www.backyardworlds.org

Finding planetary mass objects in Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer (WISE) images.

J0830+2837 $4-13 M_{\text{Jupiter}}$
(Bardalez-Gagliuffi et al. 2020)

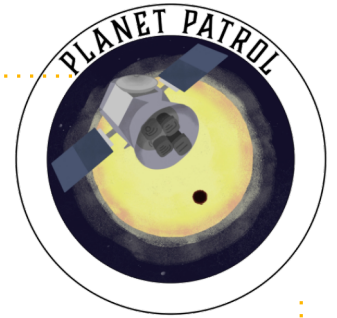
Upcoming JWST Cycle 1 Program



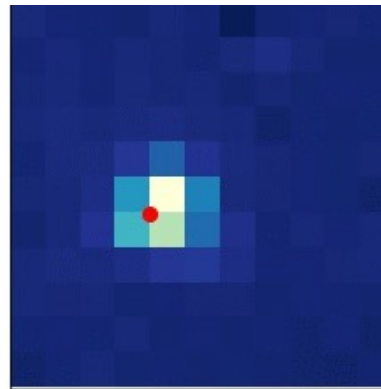
Meisner et al. 2020

Planet Patrol Zooniverse Portal

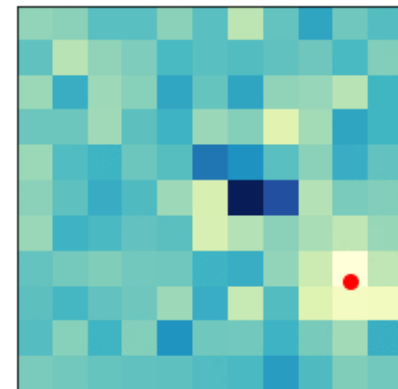
exoplanetpatrol.org



**NASA's TESS
mission**



Good Candidate

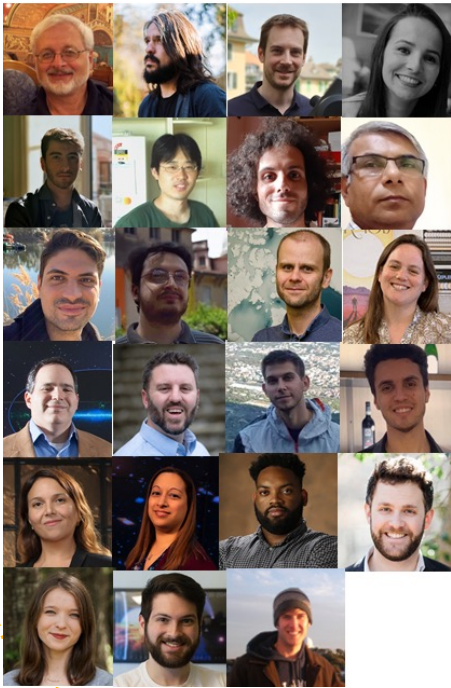
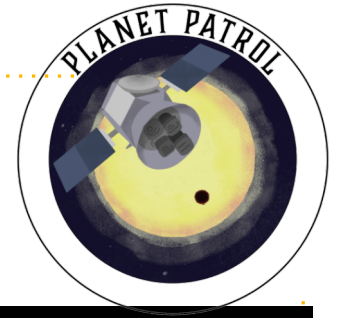


Imposter

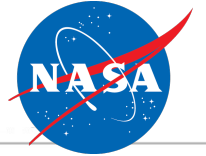
**First batch of 20K subjects completed.
Stay tuned for more!**

Planet Patrol: Now

Vetting ELEANOR light curves using the full DAVE vetting tool!

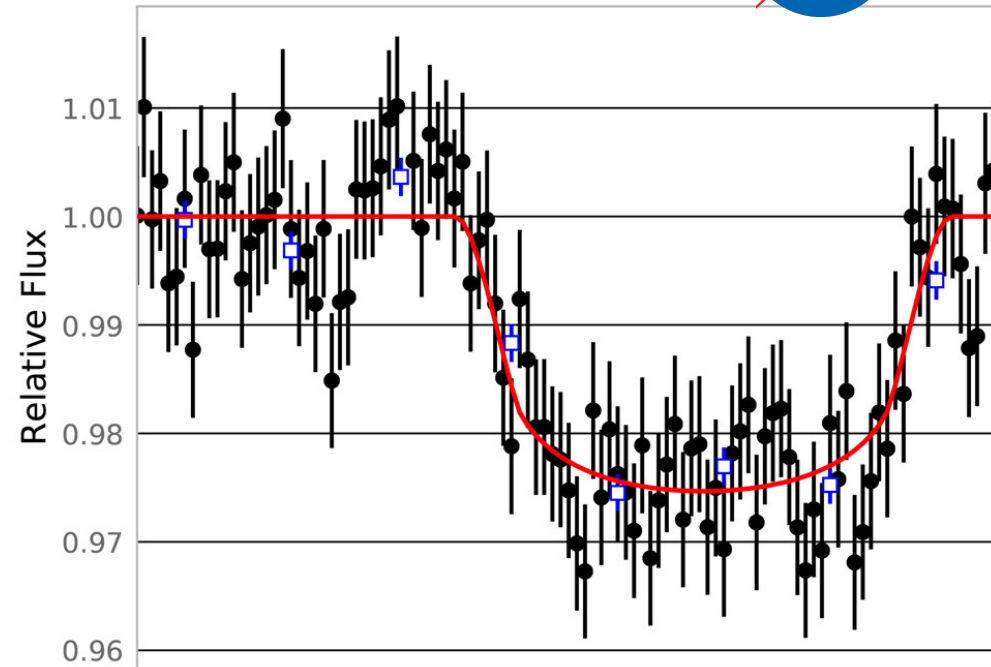


Exoplanet Watch



**NASA's TESS
mission**

**Your Backyard
Telescope**



**Help with the beta test at
exoplanets.nasa.gov/exoplanet-watch !**



Exoplanet Citizen Science Beyond NASA

AAVSO www.aavso.org

PANOPTES projectpanoptes.org

Unistellar unistellaroptycs.com

Planet Hunters NGTS ngts.planethunters.org

MicroFUN Microlensing Follow-Up Network cgi.astronomy.osu.edu/microfun/

SETI@home setiathome.berkeley.edu

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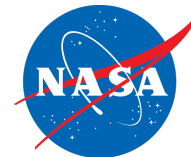


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NASA Cit. Sci.
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Citizen Science Seed Funding Program (CSSFP) In Year 2!

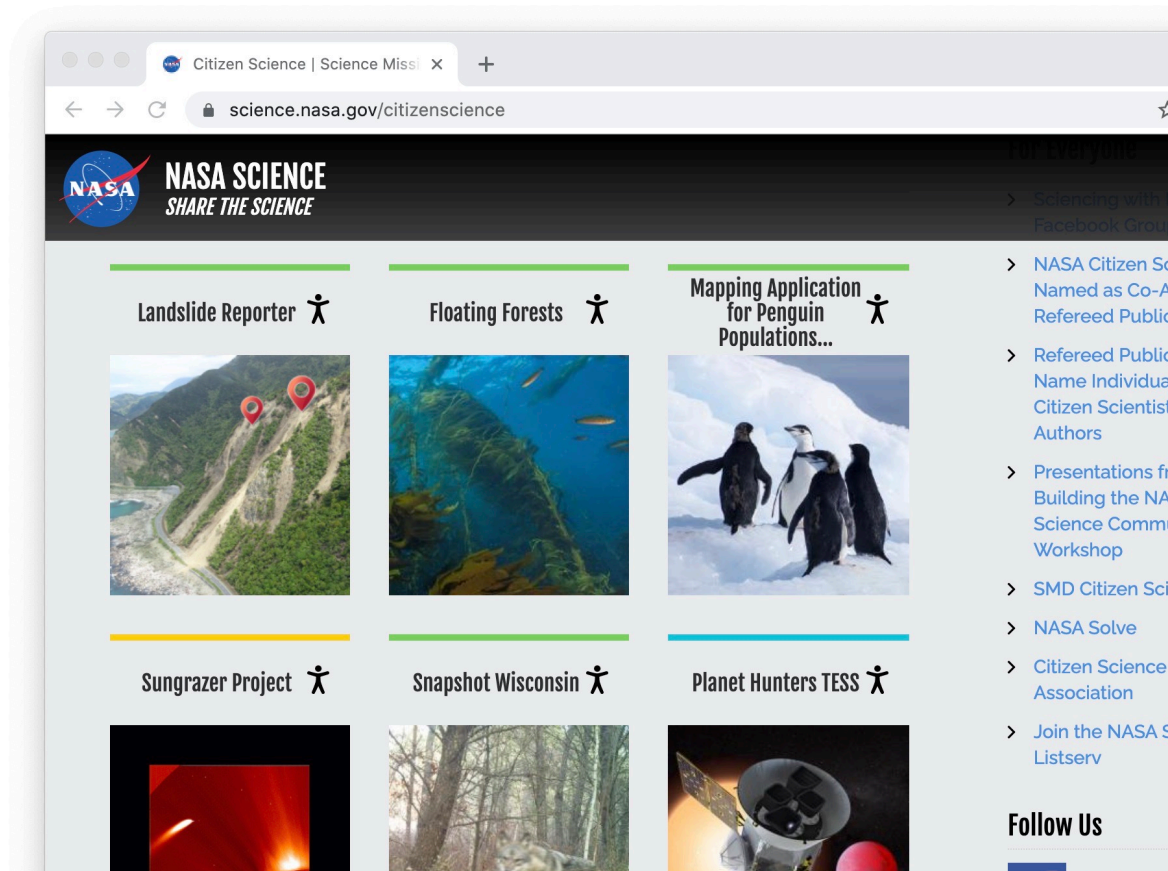


- For “incubating citizen science projects as they are being conceived or during critical transitions.”
- Any science division but Earth Science.
- Page limit for Sci/Tech/Management section: 6 pages
- One year of funding.
- Average award: \$80K
- **Due January 21, 2022**

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for those leading, hoping to lead,
or wanting to learn more about
NASA Citizen Science.

We're working on plans for Winter 2022! Our first event will be on Thursday,
January 20, 2022. Save the date, and watch this space for updates.

WINTER 2022

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chapter in the NASA Cit Sci Leaders
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What could **you** accomplish with help from 100,000 people?

Hint, hint:

