



4250 - Characterization of Water Outgassing in Main-Belt Comets 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS

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OBSERVATIONS

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133P				
	1	133P - NIRCcam	NIRCcam Imaging	(1) 133P
	7	133P - NIRCcam	NIRCcam Imaging	(1) 133P
	2	133P - NIRSpec	NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy	(1) 133P
	3	133P - Background - NIRSpec	NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy	(1) 133P
358P				
	4	358P - NIRCcam	NIRCcam Imaging	(2) 358P
	5	358P - NIRSpec	NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy	(2) 358P
	6	358P - Background - NIRSpec	NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy	(2) 358P

ABSTRACT

Current research on small bodies in the solar system suggests that there is a continuum between comets and asteroids, and that the dynamical properties of a small body are not enough to predict the volatile content of an object. These questions are profound for our models of the origin and distribution and of water, volatiles, and organics in our solar system. We request JWST General Observer time to characterize the volatile content of two main-belt comets (MBCs), which are small bodies with asteroid-like orbits that exhibit comet-like activity, with NIRCам and NIRSpec. With observations of MBCs 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS that we propose here, we will be able to detect water gas production rates as low as $1e24$ molecules/s (5-sigma), exceeding pre-JWST upper limits by almost two orders of magnitude. This capability was demonstrated by JWST/NIRSpec's recent successful detection of water gas production in MBC 238P/Read, which was the first successful spectroscopic detection of volatile sublimation for a MBC ever. NIRCам imaging will also allow us to search for morphology differences between our targets' gas and dust comae, providing insights into ejection mechanisms and distribution of active sites on each object. JWST observations of two more MBCs would triple the number of meaningful direct measurements of outgassing rates around small (km-scale) asteroids, and significantly advance our understanding of the diversity of the MBC population.

OBSERVING DESCRIPTION

We plan to observe two main-belt comets, 133P and 358P, while they are expected to be active. We request both NIRCам and NIRSpec IFU prism mode observations, both of which will be used to detect water vapor at 2.7 microns in the coma. The NIRSpec observation has a dedicated background. The NIRCам background can be derived in-scene or from the other module.

Special requirements

** Timing constraints so the observations are executed when the comets are active.

** Offsets for NIRCам to place the targets in detector B1.

** Offsets for NIRSpec backgrounds to nod the telescope to nearby blank sky.

** Timing constraints so that the NIRSpec source - NIRSpec background sequence is execute as a non-interruptible sequence.

Proposal 4250 - Targets - Characterization of Water Outgassing in Main-Belt Comets 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS

Solar System Targets	#	Name	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	(1)	133P	TYPE=COMET,Q=2.6525981159533,E=0.160584885 1360985,I=1.387284606413598 ,O=160.1371757432742,W=131.9669803271283,T=20 -SEP- 2018:22:59:02,TTIMEscale=TDB,EQUINOX=J2000,E POCH=29-JAN-2016:00:00:00,EpochTimeScale=TDB		
<i>Comments: Extended=YES</i>					
(2)	358P	TYPE=COMET,Q=2.401211050788354,E=0.2377095 280103813,I=11.05720489782846 ,O=85.72031790819241,W=299.8156537307482,T=11 -APR- 2018:09:24:00,TTIMEscale=TDB,EQUINOX=J2000,E POCH=24-JUL- 2019:00:00:00,EpochTimeScale=TDB,R0=2.808 ,DT=0. ,A1=0.,A2=-2.315497025847E-10,A3=0. ,ALN=0.1112620426,NM=2.15,NN=5.093,NK=4.6142 ,AMRAT=0.			
<i>Comments: Extended=YES</i>					

Proposal 4250 - Observation 1 - Characterization of Water Outgassing in Main-Belt Comets 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS

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Observation	Proposal 4250, Observation 1: 133P - NIRCam Diagnostic Status: Warning Observing Template: NIRCam Imaging									
	(Visit 1:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run. (133P - NIRCam (Obs 1)) Informational (Form): The Visit Planner and Spike may produce different schedulability results.									
Diagnostics										
Solar System Targets	#	Name	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3					
	(1)	133P	TYPE=COMET,Q=2.6525981159533,E=0.160584885 1360985,I=1.387284606413598 .O=160.1371757432742,W=131.9669803271283,T=20 -SEP- 2018:22:59:02,TTimeScale=TDB,EQUINOX=J2000,E POCH=29-JAN-2016:00:00:00,EpochTimeScale=TDB <i>Comments: Extended=YES</i>							
Template	Module				Subarray					
	B				FULL					
Dithers	#	Primary Dither Type	Primary Dithers	Subpixel Dither Type	Dither Size	Subpixel Positions				
	1	INTRAMODULEBOX	4	STANDARD		1				
Spectral Elements	#	Short Filter	Long Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Total Integrations	Total Dithers	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	F200W	F277W	SHALLOW4	5	1	4	4	1030.73	147338.11
Special Requirements	Between Dates 26-APR-2024:00:00:00 and 25-JUN-2024:00:00:00 Offset 38.0 arcsec, 38.0 arcsec DEFAULT WINDOW: ANGULAR RATE 133P FROM JWST LESS THAN 0.075									

Proposal 4250 - Observation 7 - Characterization of Water Outgassing in Main-Belt Comets 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS

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Observation	Proposal 4250, Observation 7: 133P - NIRCam Diagnostic Status: Warning Observing Template: NIRCam Imaging									
	(Visit 7:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run. (133P - NIRCam (Obs 7)) Informational (Form): The Visit Planner and Spike may produce different schedulability results.									
Diagnosics										
Solar System Targets	#	Name	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3					
	(1)	133P	TYPE=COMET,Q=2.6525981159533,E=0.160584885 1360985,I=1.387284606413598 ,O=160.1371757432742,W=131.9669803271283,T=20 -SEP- 2018:22:59:02,TTimeScale=TDB,EQUINOX=J2000,E POCH=29-JAN-2016:00:00:00,EpochTimeScale=TDB <i>Comments: Extended=YES</i>							
Template	Module			Subarray						
	B			FULL						
Dithers	#	Primary Dither Type	Primary Dithers	Subpixel Dither Type	Dither Size	Subpixel Positions				
	1	INTRAMODULEBOX	4	STANDARD		1				
Spectral Elements	#	Short Filter	Long Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Total Integrations	Total Dithers	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	F200W	F277W	SHALLOW4	5	1	4	4	1030.73	147338.11
Special Requirements	Between Dates 16-SEP-2024:00:00:00 and 11-NOV-2024:00:00:00 Offset 38.0 arcsec, 38.0 arcsec DEFAULT WINDOW: ANGULAR RATE 133P FROM JWST LESS THAN 0.075									

Proposal 4250 - Observation 2 - Characterization of Water Outgassing in Main-Belt Comets 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS

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Observation	<p>Proposal 4250, Observation 2: 133P - NIRSpec</p> <p>Diagnostic Status: Warning</p> <p>Observing Template: NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy</p>											
	<p>(Visit 2:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.</p> <p>(133P - NIRSpec (Obs 2)) Informational (Form): The Visit Planner and Spike may produce different schedulability results.</p>											
Diagnostics												
Solar System Targets	#	Name	Level 1				Level 2				Level 3	
	(1)	133P	TYPE=COMET,Q=2.6525981159533,E=0.160584885 1360985,I=1.387284606413598 ,O=160.1371757432742,W=131.9669803271283,T=20 -SEP- 2018:22:59:02,TimeScale=TDB,EQUINOX=J2000,E POCH=29-JAN-2016:00:00:00,EpochTimeScale=TDB									
<p><i>Comments: Extended=YES</i></p>												
Template	TA Method											
	NONE											
Dithers	#	Dither Type		Size	Starting Point			Number of Points	Points			
	1	4-POINT-DITHER										
Spectral Elements	#	Grating/Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Leakcal	Dither	Autocal	Total Dithers	Total Integrations	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	PRISM/CLEAR	NRSIRS2RAPID	50	1	false	true	NONE	4	4	2976.134	
Special Requirements	Between Dates 26-APR-2024:00:00:00 and 25-JUN-2024:00:00:00											
	Sequence Observations 2, 3, Non-interruptible DEFAULT WINDOW: ANGULAR RATE 133P FROM JWST LESS THAN 0.075											

Proposal 4250 - Observation 3 - Characterization of Water Outgassing in Main-Belt Comets 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS

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Observation	Proposal 4250, Observation 3: 133P - Background - NIRSpec Diagnostic Status: Warning Observing Template: NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy											
	(Visit 3:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run. (133P - Background - NIRSpec (Obs 3)) Informational (Form): The Visit Planner and Spike may produce different schedulability results.											
Diagnosics												
Solar System Targets	#	Name	Level 1				Level 2				Level 3	
	(1)	133P	TYPE=COMET,Q=2.6525981159533,E=0.160584885 1360985,I=1.387284606413598 ,O=160.1371757432742,W=131.9669803271283,T=20 -SEP- 2018:22:59:02,TimeScale=TDB,EQUINOX=J2000,E POCH=29-JAN-2016:00:00:00,EpochTimeScale=TDB Comments: Extended=YES									
Template	TA Method											
	NONE											
Dithers	#	Dither Type		Size		Starting Point		Number of Points		Points		
	1	4-POINT-NOD										
Spectral Elements	#	Grating/Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Leakcal	Dither	Autocal	Total Dithers	Total Integrations	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	PRISM/CLEAR	NRSIRS2RAPID	50	1	false	true	NONE	4	4	2976.134	
Special Requirements	Between Dates 26-APR-2024:00:00:00 and 25-JUN-2024:00:00:00 Offset 45.0 arcsec, 45.0 arcsec Sequence Observations 2, 3, Non-interruptible DEFAULT WINDOW: ANGULAR RATE 133P FROM JWST LESS THAN 0.075											

Proposal 4250 - Observation 4 - Characterization of Water Outgassing in Main-Belt Comets 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS

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Observation	<p>Proposal 4250, Observation 4: 358P - NIRCam</p> <p>Diagnostic Status: Warning</p> <p>Observing Template: NIRCam Imaging</p>									
Diagnostics	<p>(Visit 4:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.</p> <p>(358P - NIRCam (Obs 4)) Informational (Form): The Visit Planner and Spike may produce different schedulability results.</p>									
Solar System Targets	#	Name	Level 1			Level 2			Level 3	
	(2)	358P	TYPE=COMET,Q=2.401211050788354,E=0.2377095 280103813.I=11.05720489782846 ,O=85.72031790819241,W=299.8156537307482,T=11 -APR- 2018:09:24:00,TimeScale=TDB,EQUINOX=J2000,E POCH=24-JUL- 2019:00:00:00,EpochTimeScale=TDB,R0=2.808 ,DT=0. ,A1=0.,A2=-2.315497025847E-10,A3=0. ,ALN=0.1112620426,NM=2.15,NN=5.093,NK=4.6142 ,AMRAT=0.							
	<i>Comments: Extended=YES</i>									
Template	Module					Subarray				
	B					FULL				
Dithers	#	Primary Dither Type		Primary Dithers		Subpixel Dither Type		Dither Size		Subpixel Positions
	1	INTRAMODULEBOX		4		STANDARD				1
Spectral Elements	#	Short Filter	Long Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Total Integrations	Total Dithers	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	F200W	F277W	SHALLOW4	5	1	4	4	1030.73	147338.8
Special Requirements	<p>Between Dates 17-NOV-2023:00:00:00 and 17-JAN-2024:00:00:00</p> <p>Offset 38.0 arcsec, 38.0 arcsec</p> <p>DEFAULT WINDOW: ANGULAR RATE 358P FROM JWST LESS THAN 0.075</p>									

Proposal 4250 - Observation 5 - Characterization of Water Outgassing in Main-Belt Comets 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS

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Observation	<p>Proposal 4250, Observation 5: 358P - NIRSpec</p> <p>Diagnostic Status: Warning</p> <p>Observing Template: NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy</p>											
Diagnostics	<p>(Visit 5:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.</p> <p>(358P - NIRSpec (Obs 5)) Informational (Form): The Visit Planner and Spike may produce different schedulability results.</p>											
Solar System Targets	#	Name	Level 1				Level 2				Level 3	
	(2)	358P	TYPE=COMET,Q=2.401211050788354,E=0.2377095 280103813.I=11.05720489782846 ,O=85.72031790819241,W=299.8156537307482,T=11 -APR- 2018:09:24:00,TimeScale=TDB,EQUINOX=J2000,E POCH=24-JUL- 2019:00:00:00,EpochTimeScale=TDB,R0=2.808 ,DT=0. ,A1=0.,A2=-2.315497025847E-10,A3=0. ,ALN=0.1112620426,NM=2.15,NN=5.093,NK=4.6142 ,AMRAT=0.									
	<p><i>Comments: Extended=YES</i></p>											
Template	<p>TA Method</p> <p>NONE</p>											
Dithers	#	Dither Type		Size	Starting Point			Number of Points		Points		
	1	4-POINT-DITHER										
Spectral Elements	#	Grating/Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Leakcal	Dither	Autocal	Total Dithers	Total Integrations	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	PRISM/CLEAR	NRSIRS2RAPID	50	1	false	true	NONE	4	4	2976.134	
Special Requirements	<p>Between Dates 17-NOV-2023:00:00:00 and 17-JAN-2024:00:00:00</p> <p>Sequence Observations 5, 6, Non-interruptible</p> <p>DEFAULT WINDOW: ANGULAR RATE 358P FROM JWST LESS THAN 0.075</p>											

Proposal 4250 - Observation 6 - Characterization of Water Outgassing in Main-Belt Comets 133P/Elst-Pizarro and 358P/PANSTARRS

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Observation	Proposal 4250, Observation 6: 358P - Background - NIRSpec Diagnostic Status: Warning Observing Template: NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy											
	(Visit 6:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run. (358P - Background - NIRSpec (Obs 6)) Informational (Form): The Visit Planner and Spike may produce different schedulability results.											
Diagnostics												
Solar System Targets	#	Name	Level 1				Level 2				Level 3	
	(2)	358P	TYPE=COMET,Q=2.401211050788354,E=0.2377095 280103813,I=11.05720489782846 ,O=85.72031790819241,W=299.8156537307482,T=11 -APR- 2018:09:24:00,TimeScale=TDB,EQUINOX=J2000,E POCH=24-JUL- 2019:00:00:00,EpochTimeScale=TDB,R0=2.808 ,DT=0. ,A1=0.,A2=-2.315497025847E-10,A3=0. ,ALN=0.1112620426,NM=2.15,NN=5.093,NK=4.6142 ,AMRAT=0.									
<i>Comments: Extended=YES</i>												
Template	TA Method											
	NONE											
Dithers	#	Dither Type		Size	Starting Point			Number of Points		Points		
	1	4-POINT-NOD										
Spectral Elements	#	Grating/Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Leakcal	Dither	Autocal	Total Dithers	Total Integrations	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	PRISM/CLEAR	NRSIRS2RAPID	50	1	false	true	NONE	4	4	2976.134	
Special Requirements	Between Dates 17-NOV-2023:00:00:00 and 17-JAN-2024:00:00:00 Offset 45.0 arcsec, 45.0 arcsec Sequence Observations 5, 6, Non-interruptible DEFAULT WINDOW: ANGULAR RATE 358P FROM JWST LESS THAN 0.075											