



# 5485 - How big can you make a planet? Spectroscopic characterization of HD 206893B

Cycle: 3, Proposal Category: GO

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## OBSERVATIONS

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## ABSTRACT

We propose moderate resolution spectroscopic characterization of HD 206893B, a ~28Mjup directly imaged (DI) companion with strong evidence of formation via a circumstellar disk. Measuring the detailed abundances of this closely separated companion will provide a window into the utility of formation diagnostic tools at the extreme upper end of the planet formation process. We propose observations with an R~2,700 fixed-slit NIRSpec spectra between 3-5um. New analysis of NIRSpec capabilities suggests that detection is easily achievable despite the high contrast and tight separation of the companion (~0.2"). We will measure molecular lines from species such as CO, CO2, H2S, CH4, and H2O. These detections will be

used to derive the metallicity, carbon-to-oxygen ratio, volatile-to-sulfur ratio, and cloud properties of HD 206893B. The different abundance ratios we propose to measure on this planet could give detailed insights into its formation pathways. Furthermore, due to its extremely red color and dusty atmosphere, HD 206893B offers an opportunity to investigate the impact of extreme clouds on the spectra in this wavelength regime.

### **OBSERVING DESCRIPTION**

We propose to use the 200 mas-wide fixed slits (S200A1 and S200A2) of the NIRSpec along with the 2.9-5.1um filter (F290LP) and the G395H grating to obtain moderate resolution ( $R \sim 2,700$ ) spectra of HD 206893B. This will enable us to characterize the atmosphere of this companion (including looking for signatures of H<sub>2</sub>S) and also elucidate the differences in formation pathways between companion objects of super-Jovian and brown dwarf masses. The planet will be 200mas away from the star in cycle 3 and we require the slit to be oriented perpendicular to the planet-star axis to avoid saturation. Light from the stellar halo will dominate our science observation, so we require reference observations of the speckle field on the other side of the star. This reference spectra will be used to model and/or subtract the stellar light in the science data that includes the planet signal. The observations will be split into otherwise identical sequences between the two 200mas slits. Since the host star (HD 206893) is too bright for target acquisition, an offset star with Gaia astrometry will be used.

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(1)	HD-206893B	RA: 21 45 21.8960 (326.3412333d) Dec: -12 46 59.93 (-12.78331d) Equinox: J2000	Proper Motion RA: 94.112 mas/yr Proper Motion Dec: -0.4630000830729841 mas/yr Parallax: 0.0245275" Epoch of Position: 2000.0	<p><i>Comments: Position of the companion (not the star). The stellar position was retrieved from Simbad (J2000) and the offset of the companion at J2000 was retrieved from <a href="http://whereistheplanet.com/">http://whereistheplanet.com/</a>. This offset was used to calculate the planet coordinates at J2000.</i></p> <p><i>Category=Star</i> <i>Description=[Exoplanets]</i></p>
(2)	21452055-1246280	RA: 21 45 20.5467 (326.3356112d) Dec: -12 46 28.16 (-12.77449d) Equinox: J2000	Proper Motion RA: 16.4975 mas/yr Proper Motion Dec: -6.6963 mas/yr Parallax: 0.0017695" Epoch of Position: 2000.0	<p><i>Comments: TA star Gaia DR3 6843672087120109056/2MASS 21452055-1246280 J mag = 14.89 Category=Unidentified Description=[Blank field]</i></p>

Fixed Targets

Proposal 5485 - Observation 1 - How big can you make a planet? Spectroscopic characterization of HD 206893B

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<b>Observation</b>	<p><b>Proposal 5485, Observation 1: HD 206893B IFU</b></p> <p><b>Diagnostic Status: Warning</b></p> <p>Observing Template: NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy</p> <p><i>Comments: We require the orientation of the IFU slits to be perpendicular to the star-planet separation direction in order to prevent saturation of the IFU at the planet location. This is best achieved by having the highest possible V3PA angle (~78 deg) that is feasible in this observing window (also cross-checked visually using Aladin). We request the instrument scientist and scheduler to schedule our observations such that the telescope can be oriented at a V3PA of 78 deg.</i></p>																																		
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Special Requirements

Aperture PA Range 212.97164917 to 216.97164917 Degrees (V3 74.0 to 78.0)