

# Habitability potential of icy moons around giant planets and the JUICE mission

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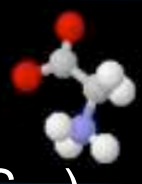


# Habitability: four requirements

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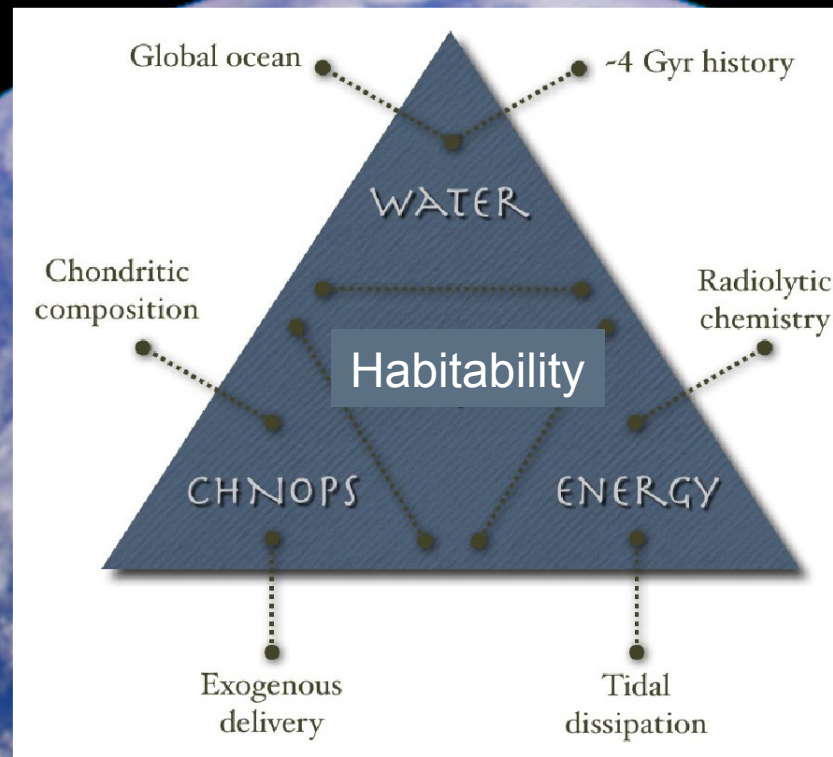
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(CHNOPS...)



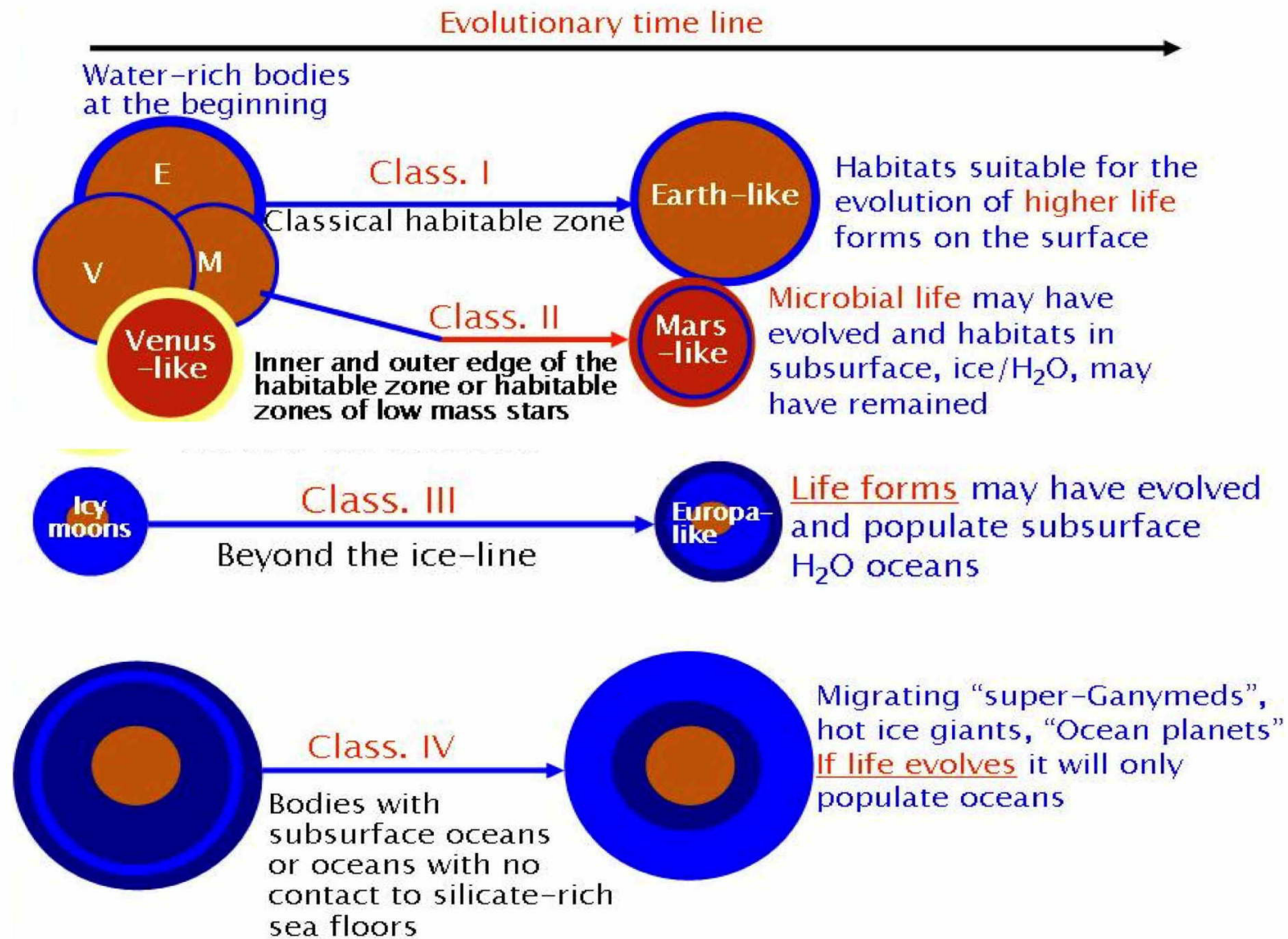
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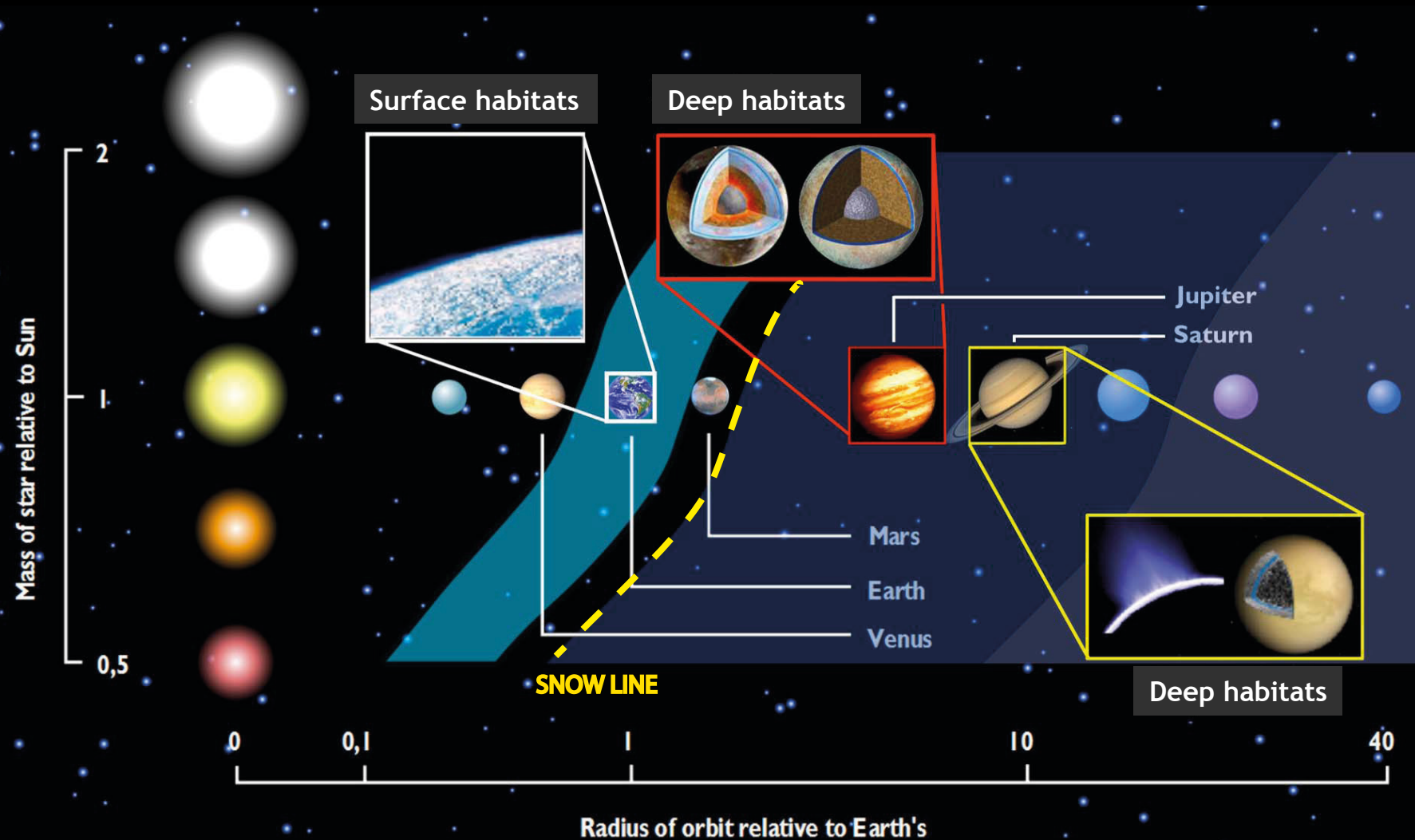


# What are the habitable worlds?



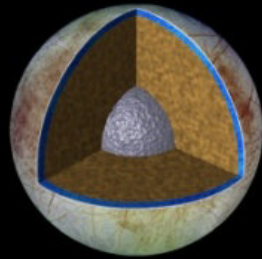


# Icy moons : deep habitats in the solar system



Classes I-II: habitable zones on the surface, not much water, small domain  
Beyond the snow-line: deep habitats within the hydrospheres. Icy moons, Ganymede and Europa and Titan and Enceladus, are the archetypes of classes III-IV of habitable worlds





Europa

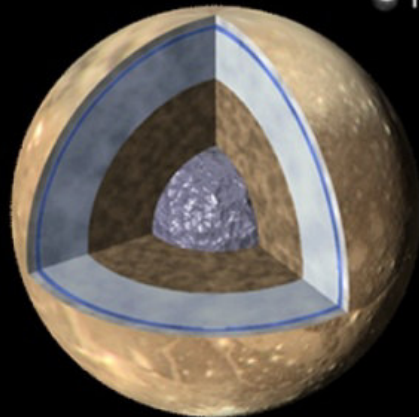


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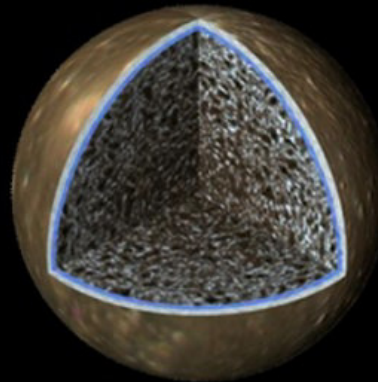


Enceladus

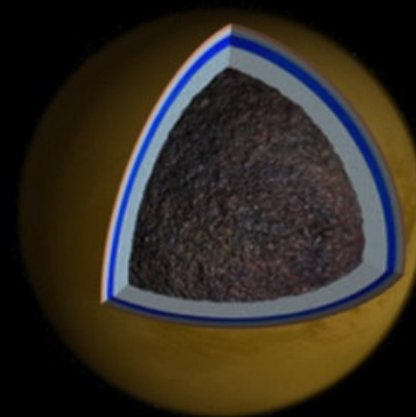
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- rock
- metal



Ganymede



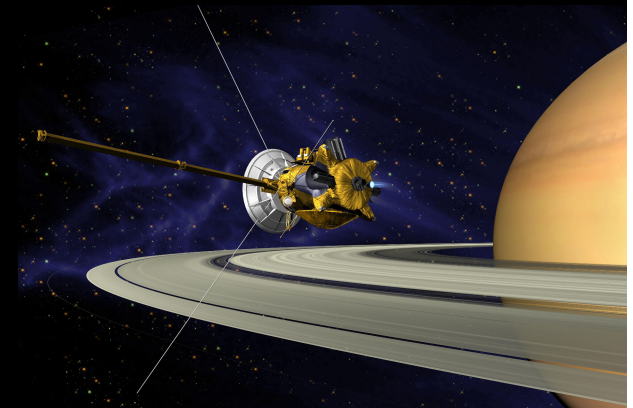
Callisto



Titan



Galileo Begins Jupiter Orbit  
Dec. 7, 1995



# **What are the habitable worlds in the outer solar system ?**

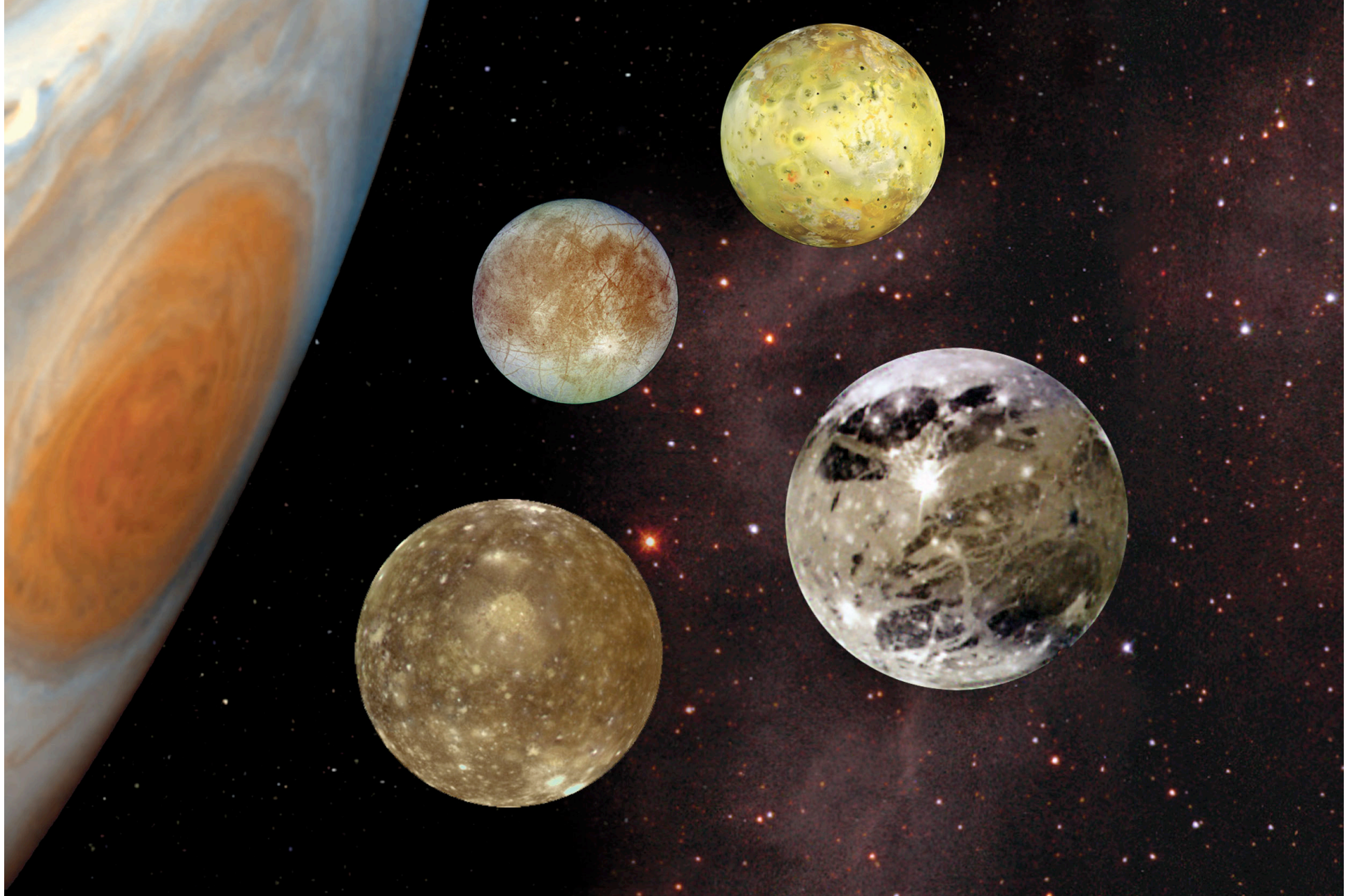
## **Around JUPITER**

Habitats in the Jupiter system



# The Jupiter System

A giant planet, a giant magnetosphere, many moons including 4 giants = a mini solar system

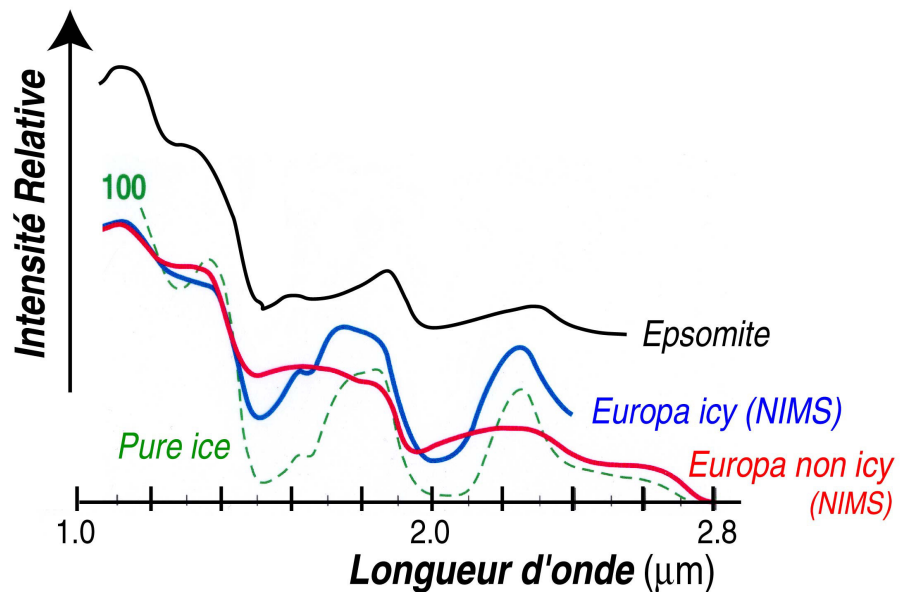




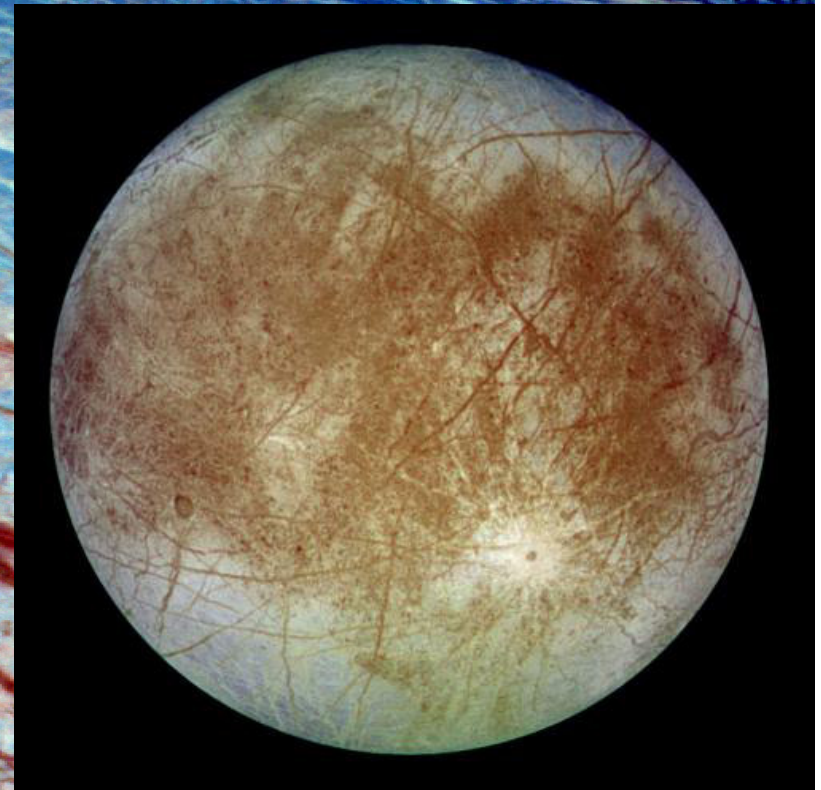
# About the existence of deep liquid layers : EUROPA

## Hyperspectral evidences

## Composition of ices



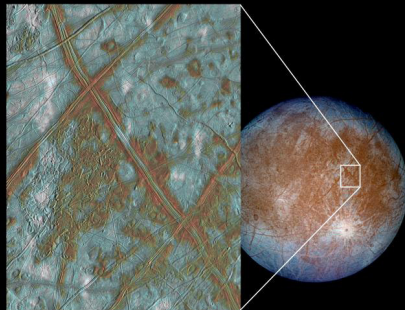
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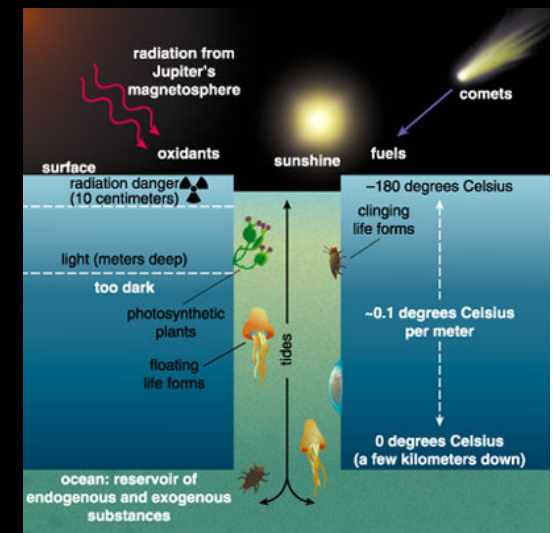
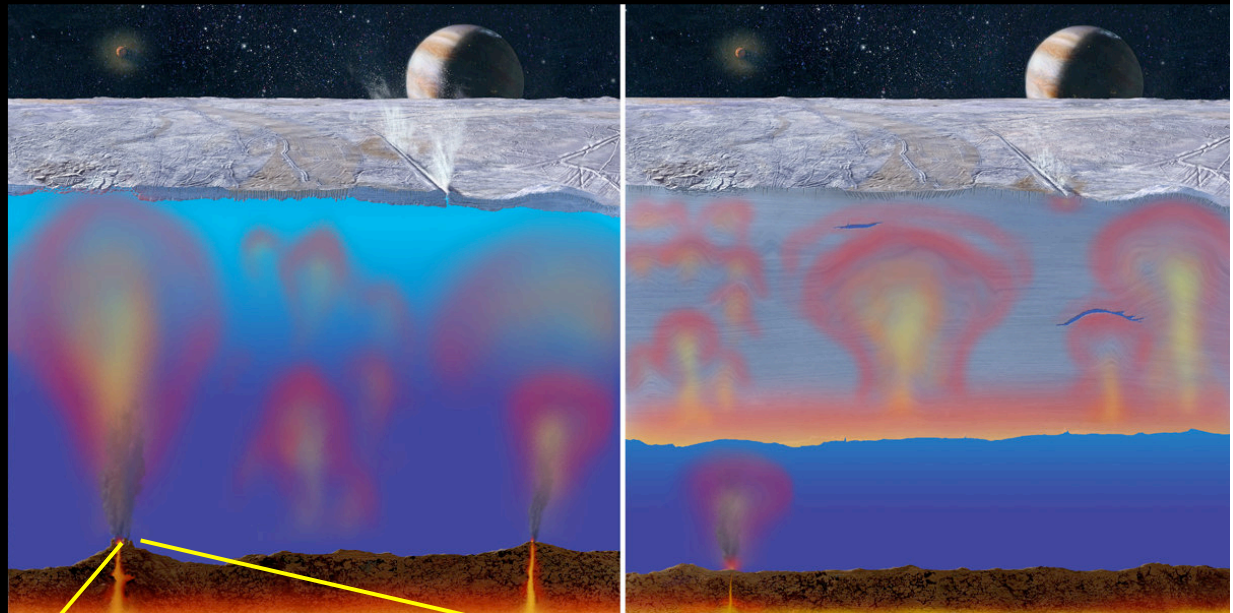
# What are the habitable worlds in the outer solar system ? Around JUPITER

## Class III : subsurface oceans in contact with silicates - Europa



### Europa-like worlds:

- Water:
  - Warm salty H<sub>2</sub>O ocean.
- Essential elements:
  - Impactors.
  - Photolysis -> O, O<sub>2</sub>
  - But radiation destroys organics in upper ~10s cm of ice.
- Chemical energy:
  - Radiation of H<sub>2</sub>O ⇒ oxidants.
  - Mantle contact: serpentinization and possible hydrothermal activity
- Relatively stable environment:
  - Large satellite retains heat.
  - But activity might not be steady-state.

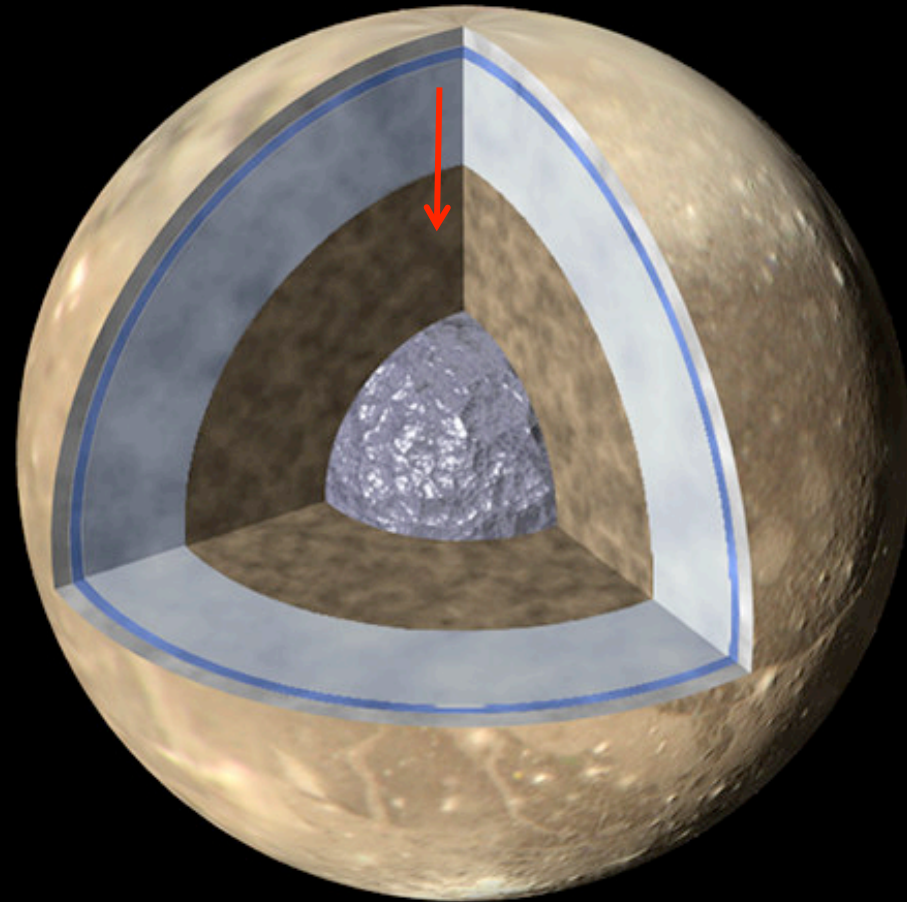
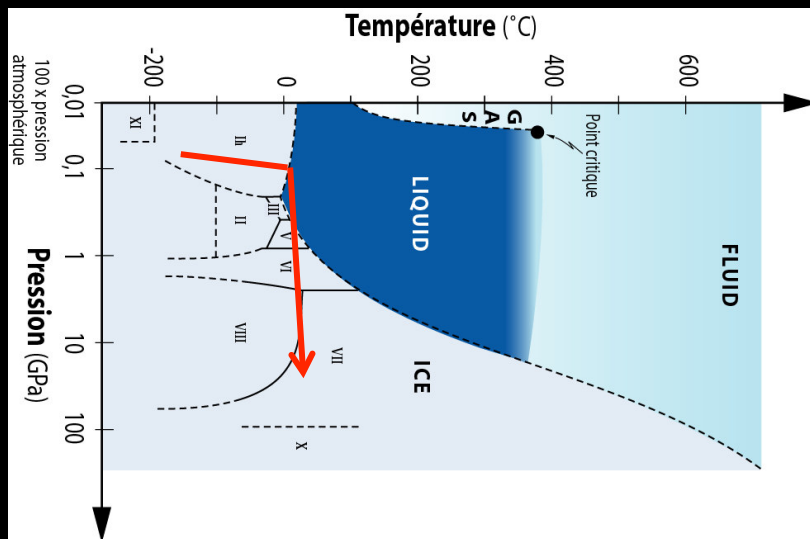


# What are the habitable worlds?

## Class IV : subsurface oceans without any contact with the silicates

### Ganymede-like

- Liquid water
- Chemistry: silicate needed...?
- Energy: heat transfer ?
- Stable environment



H<sub>2</sub>O ice and liquid diagram studied since 1912 (Bridgman)

Modern experiments are devoted to complex mixtures and indicate you can have liquid between ice layers.

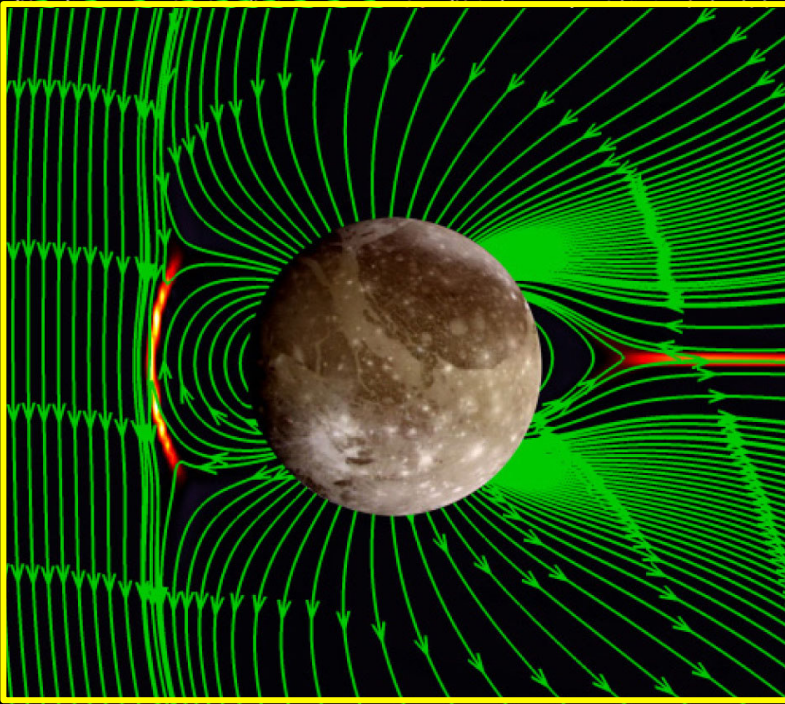


# About the existence of deep oceans : GANYMEDE

## Galileo evidences

- **Induced magnetic field from interaction of jovian magnetosphere with conducting layer (ocean?)**

Observed but not characterised



- Own internally-driven dipole magnetic field
- Interaction of Ganymede's mini-magnetosphere with Jupiter's

## Geologic activity

Indications for young surface from water flooding



## Questions

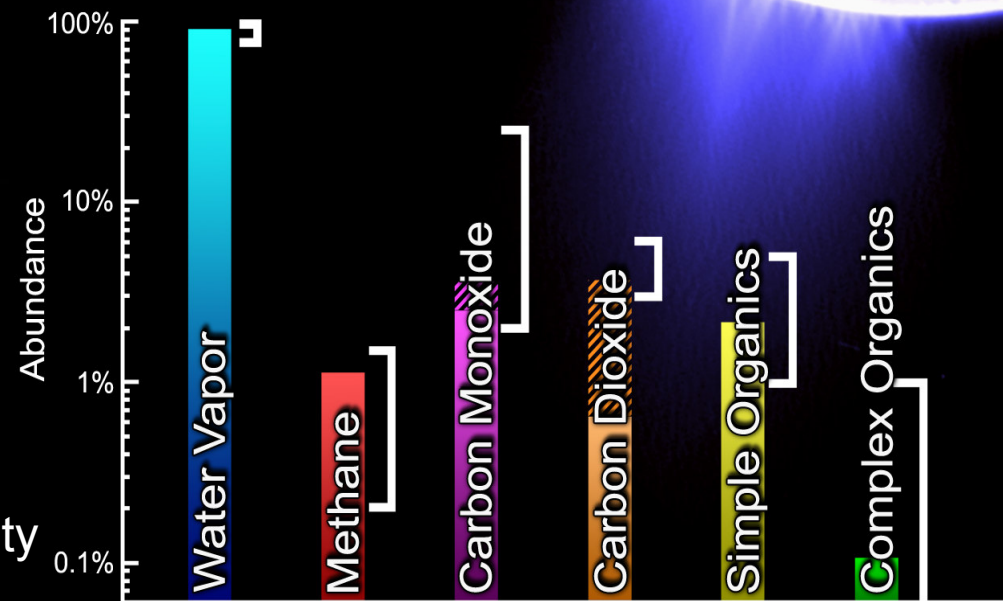
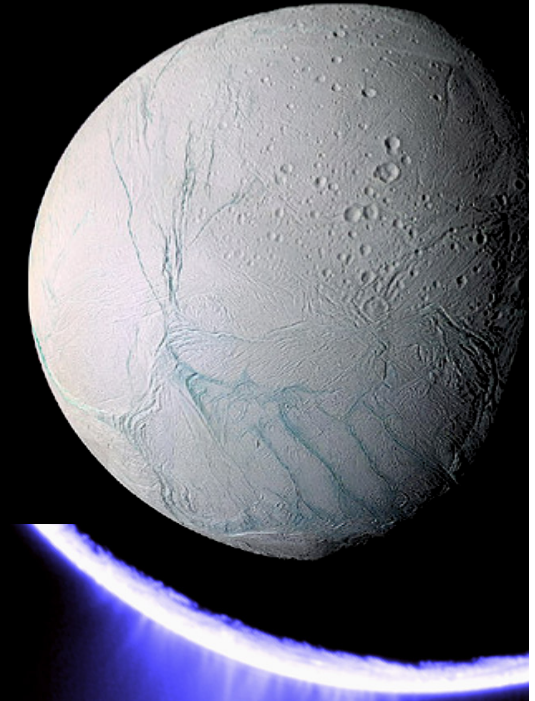
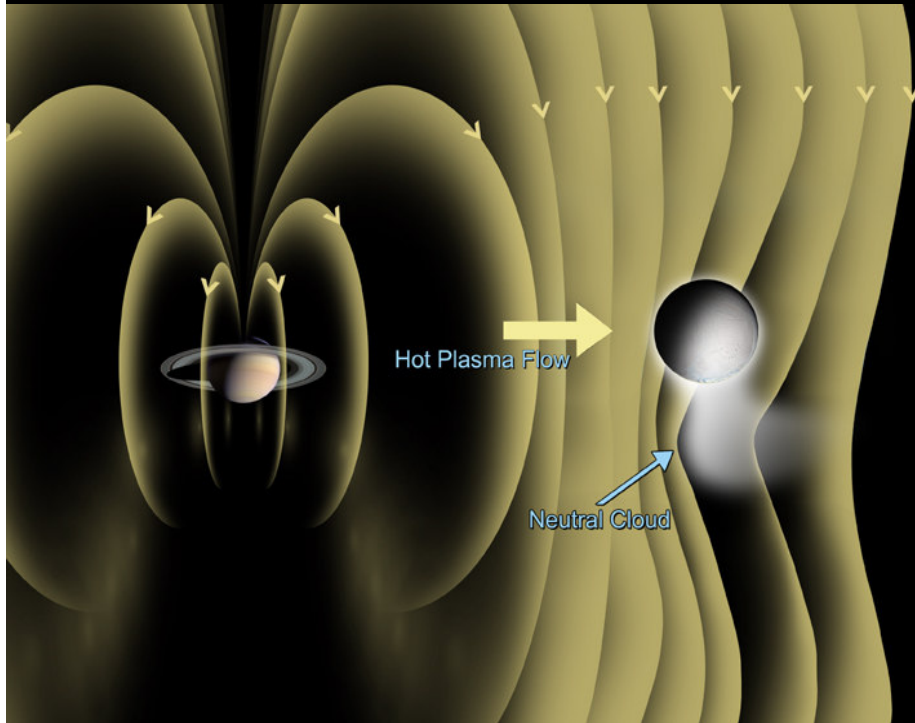
- ✧ Which depth?
- ✧ Which size?
- ✧ What is its composition?

# **What are the habitable worlds in the outer solar system ?**

## **Around SATURN**

Habitats in the Saturnian system

# Enceladus plumes



- What is the origin of the plumes
- Replenishment of E-ring?
- Water vapor ejecta far away from the Sun (strong implications for the habitability zones)
- Indications for the presence of organic chemistry

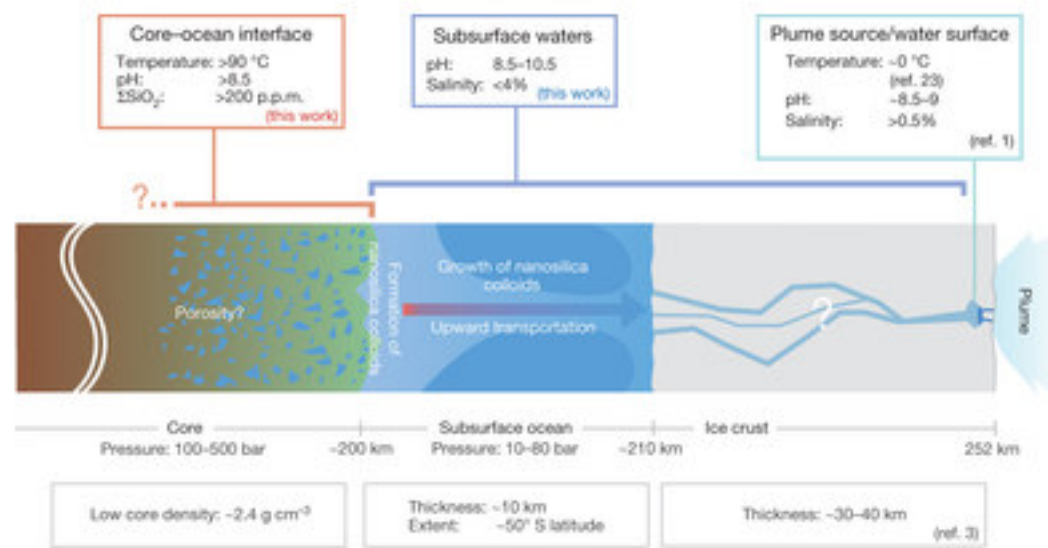
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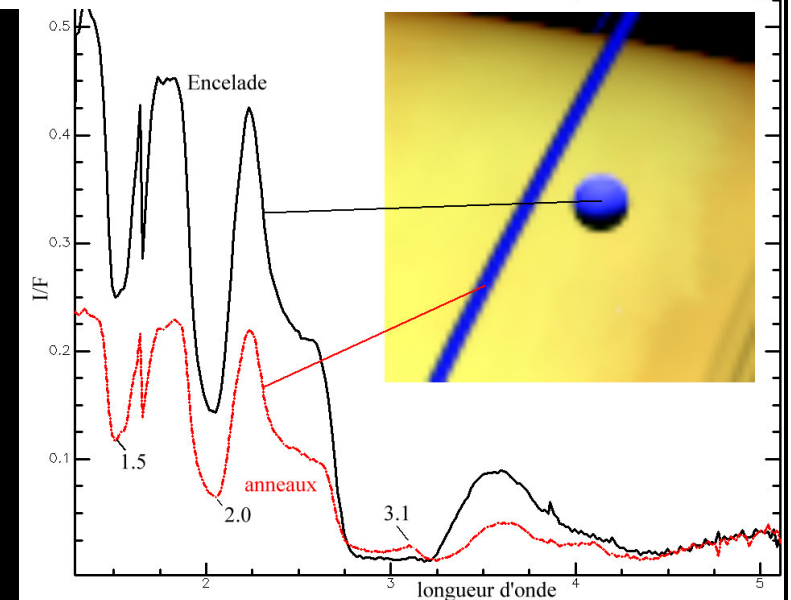
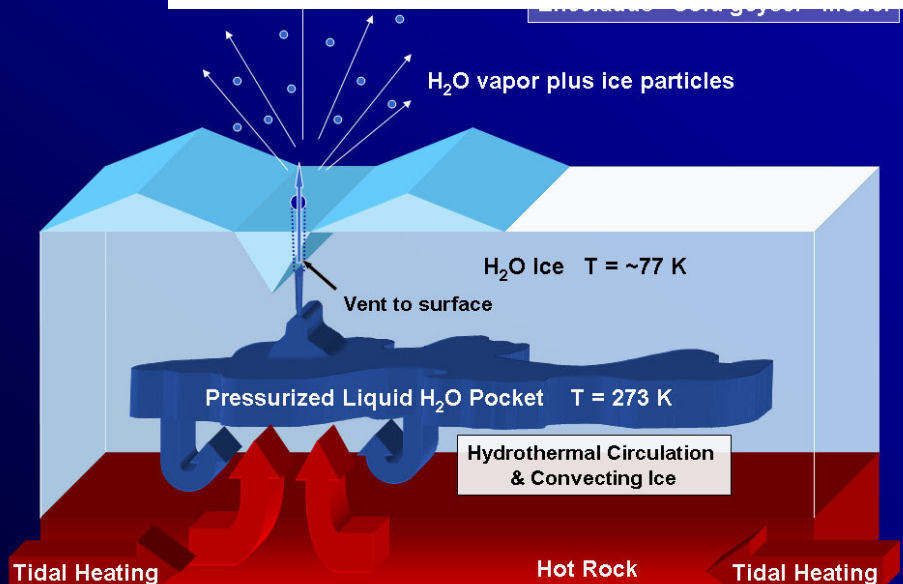
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## Class III : subsurface oceans in contact with silicates –Enceladus

: A schematic of Enceladus' interior.

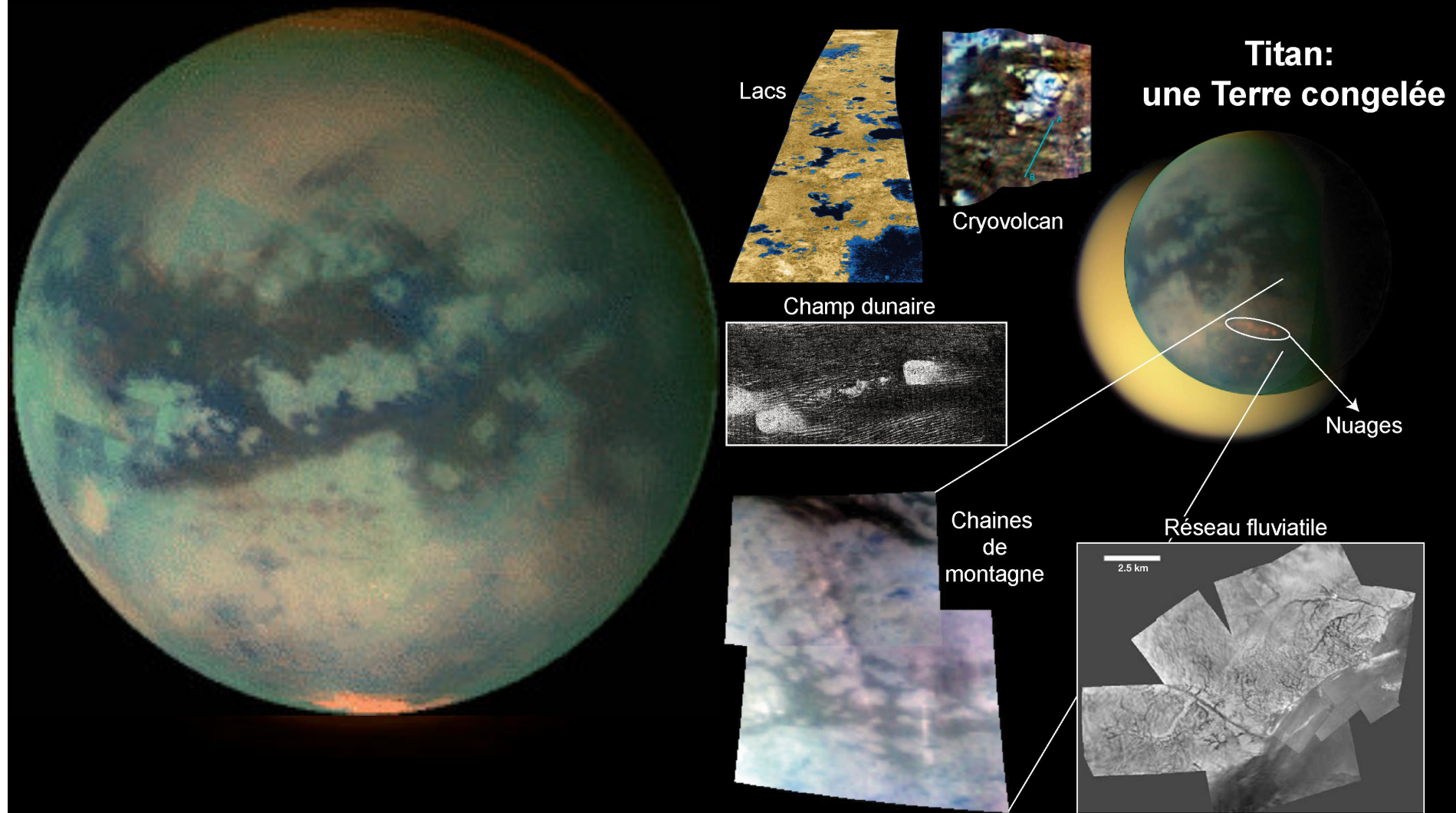


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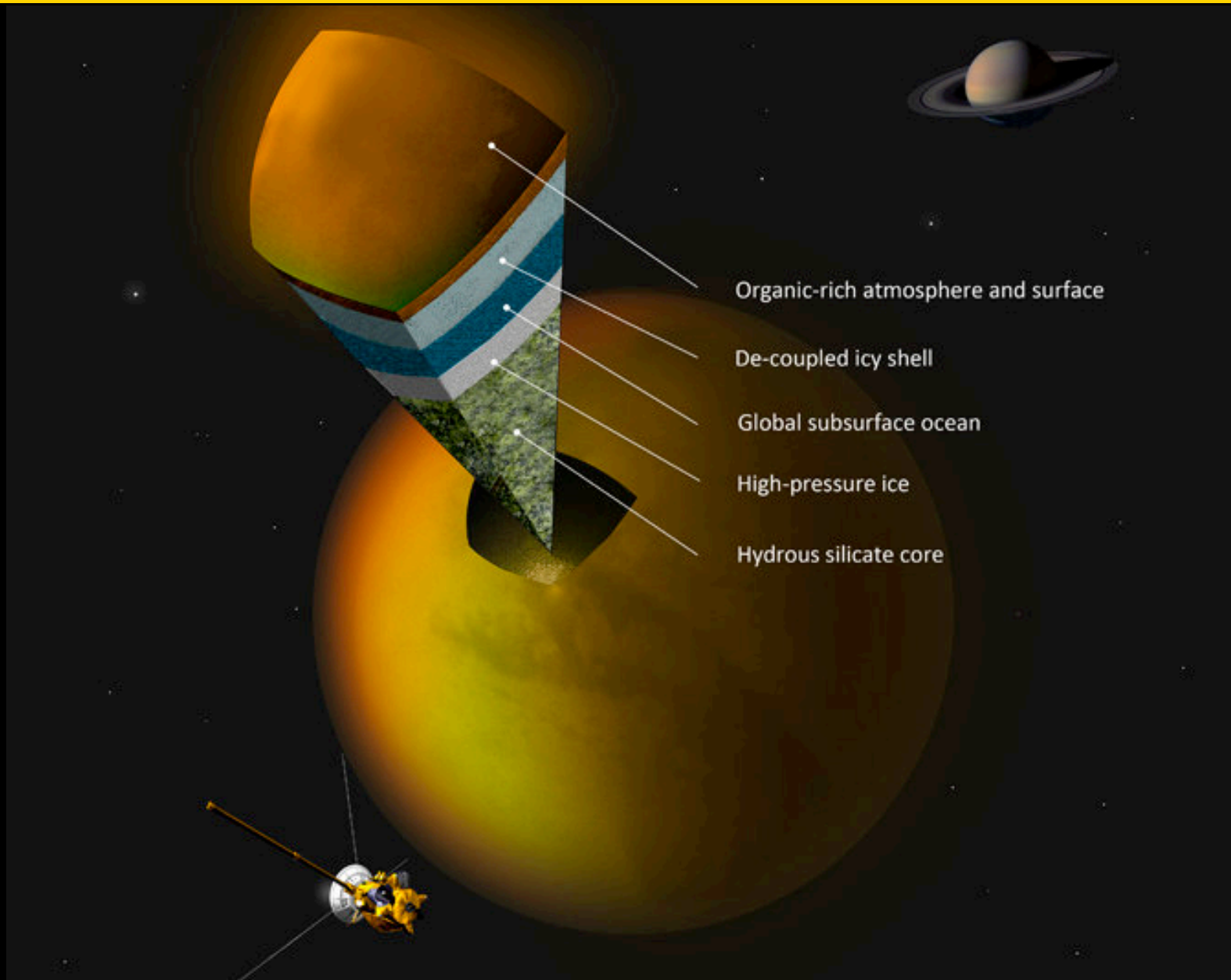
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## Class IV : subsurface oceans without any contact with the silicates – Titan



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# **Habitable worlds in the outer solar system ?**

## **Future exploration**

Need for further in-depth and in situ  
exploration of the deep habitats and the  
extended habitable zone around gas giants

# Emergence of the habitable zone around Jupiter

## Three large icy moons to explore

### Ganymede - class IV

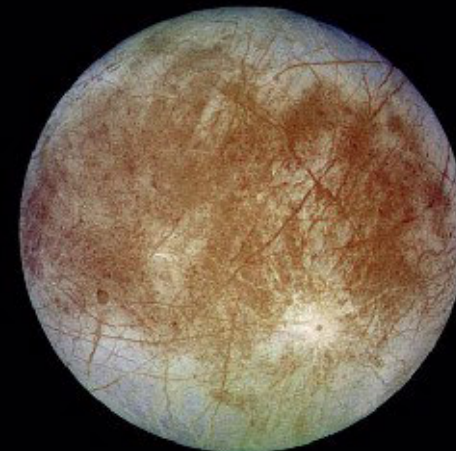
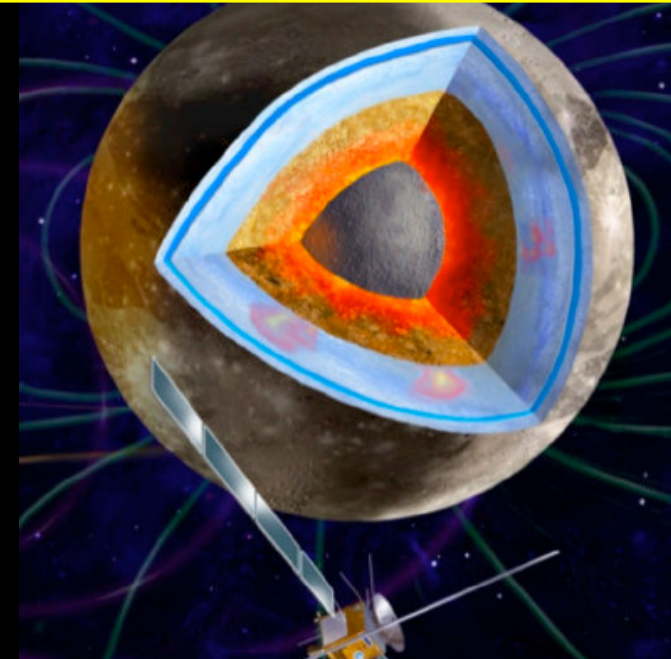
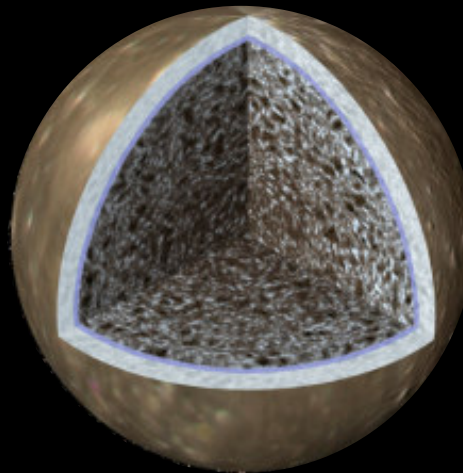
- Largest satellite in the solar system
- A deep ocean
- Internal dynamo and an induced magnetic field – unique
- Richest crater morphologies
- Best example of liquid environment trapped between icy layers

### Callisto - class IV

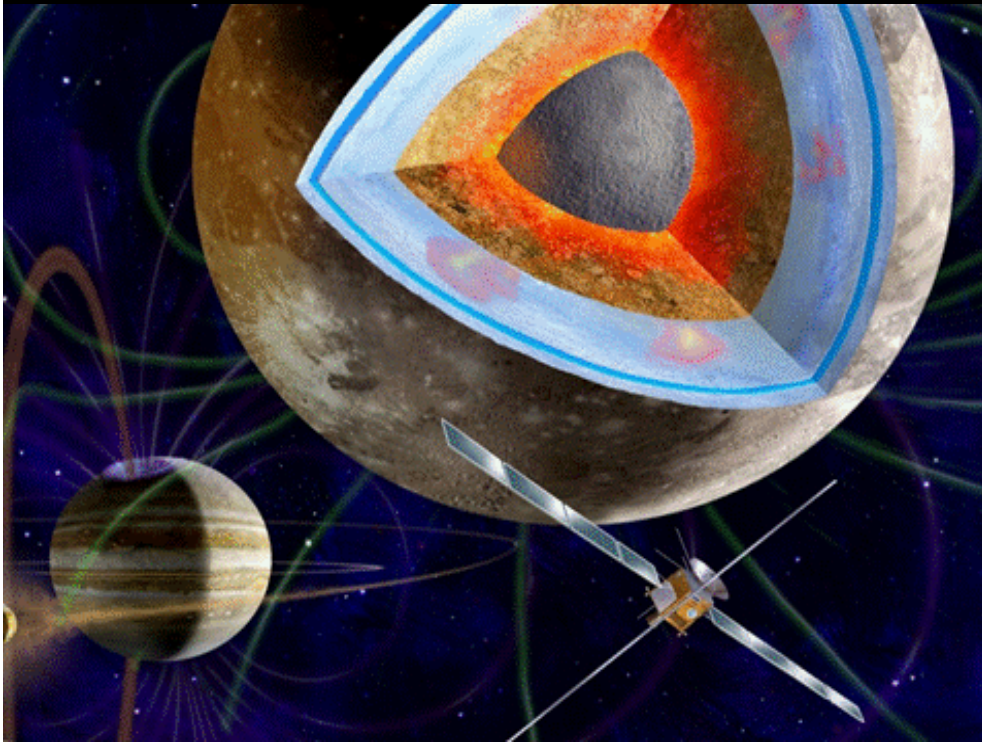
- Best place to study the impactor history
- Differentiation – still an enigma
- Only known example of non active but ocean-bearing world
- The witness of early ages

### Europa - class III

- A deep ocean
- An active world?
- Best example of liquid environment in contact with silicates

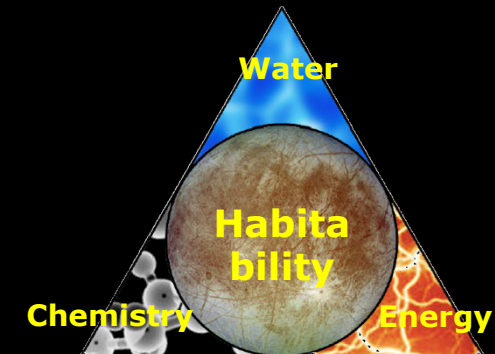


# JUICE: JUpiter Icy moons Explorer



## JUICE Science Goals

- *Emergence of habitable worlds around gas giants*
- *Jupiter system as an archetype for gas giants*



## Cosmic Vision Themes

- *What are the conditions for planetary formation and emergence of life?*
- *How does the Solar System work?*

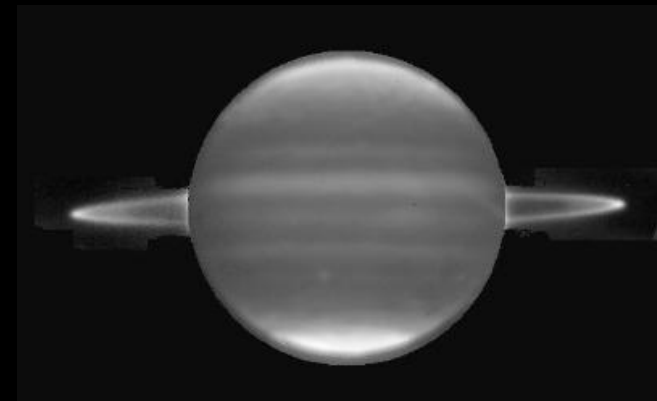
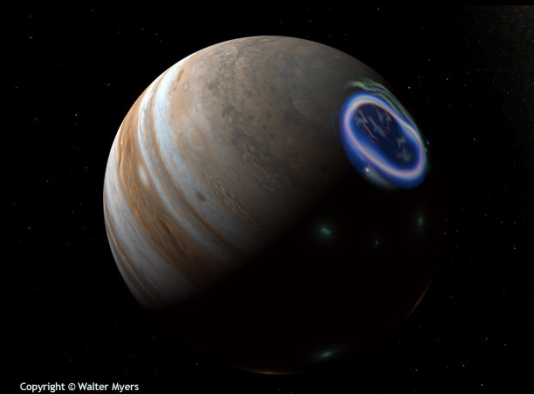
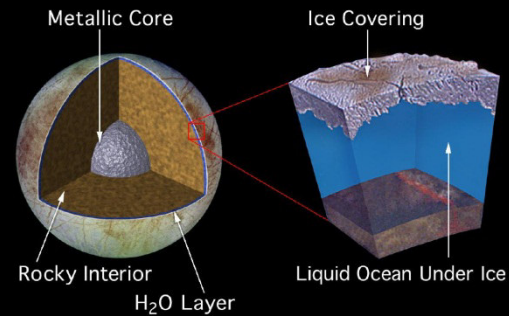
## JUICE : the 1<sup>st</sup> Large CV mission concept

- *Single spacecraft mission to the Jovian system*
- *Investigations from orbit and flyby trajectories*
- *Synergistic and multi-disciplinary payload*
- *European mission with international participation*



Topics:  
Planet, moons,  
rings, magneto

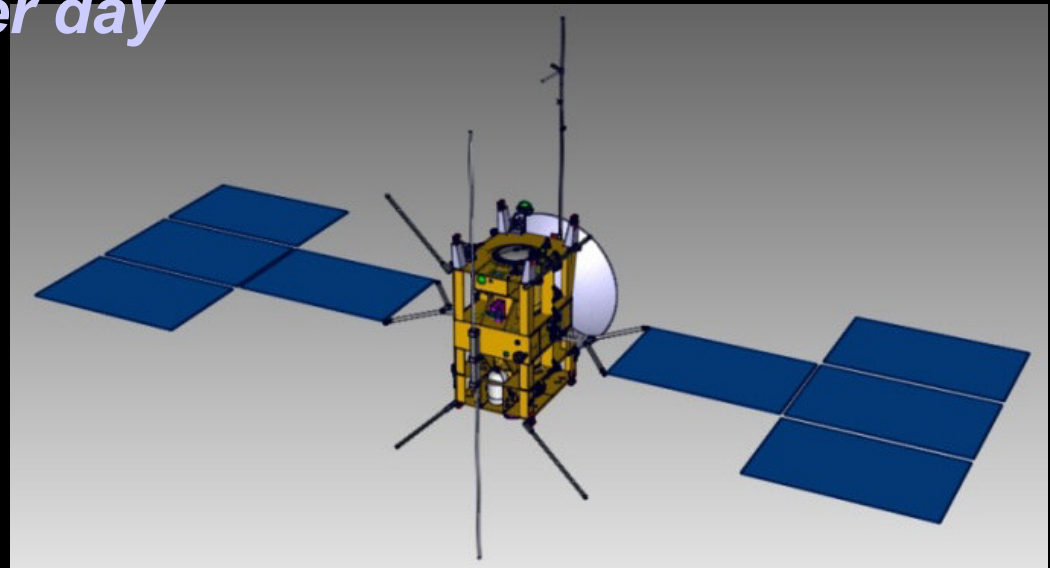
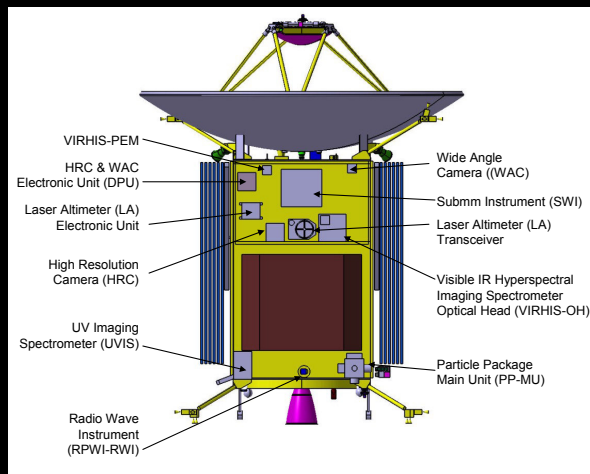
- Interior
- Subsurface
- Geology
- Atmosphere
- Plasma
- Habitability
- Link to exoplanets



Jupiter system: largest planet, largest storm, fastest rotation, largest magnetic field, largest moon, largest moon system, most active moons

# Main features of the spacecraft design

- *Dry mass ~2000 kg, propellant mass ~3000 kg*
- *Launcher - Ariane 5 ECA (mass : 5-5.5 tons),  
High  $\Delta v$  required: 2600 m/s*
- *Payload ~110 kg, ~ 150 W*
- *3-axis stabilized s/c*
- *Power: solar array ~ 70 m<sup>2</sup>, ~ 700 W*
- *HGA: ~3 m, fixed to body, X & Ka-band*
- *Data return >1.4 Gb per day*



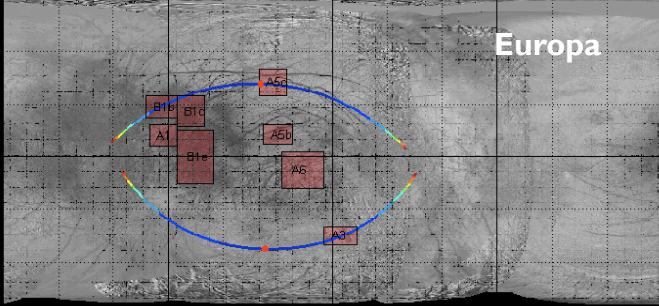
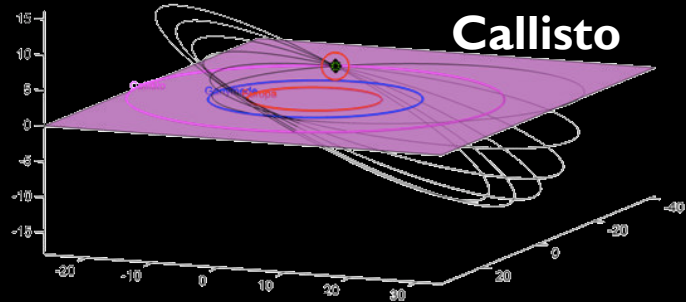
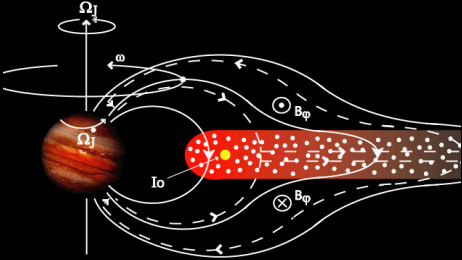

# JUICE Payload

Acronym	PI	LFA	Instrument type
<b>Remote Sensing Suite</b>			
<b>JANUS</b>	P. Palumbo	Italy	Narrow Angle Camera
<b>MAJIS</b>	Y. Langevin G. Piccioni	France Italy	Vis-near-IR imaging spectrometer
<b>UVS</b>	R. Gladstone	USA	UV spectrograph
<b>SWI</b>	P. Hartogh	Germany	Sub-mm wave instrument
<b>Geophysical Experiments</b>			
<b>GALA</b>	H. Hussmann	Germany	Laser Altimeter
<b>RIME</b>	L. Bruzzone	Italy	Ice Penetrating Radar
<b>3GM</b>	L. Iess	Italy	Radio science experiment
<b>PRIDE</b>	L. Gurrvits	Netherlands	VLBI experiment
<b>Particles and Fields Investigations</b>			
<b>PEP</b>	S. Barabash	Sweden	Plasma Environmental Package
<b>RPWI</b>	J.-E. Wahlund	Sweden	Radio & plasma Wave Instrument
<b>J-MAG</b>	M. Dougherty	UK	Magnetometer



# Mission design

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Spacecraft Design	Model instruments	Mission phases
Launch	June 2022	 <p>Europa</p> <p>East longitude 90 180 270</p> <p>Altitude 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 8000 km</p>
Interplanetary transfer (Earth-Venus-Earth-Earth)	7.6 years (8 years)	
Jupiter orbit insertion and apocentre reduction with Ganymede gravity assists	11 months	
2 Europa flybys	36 days	
Reduction of $v_{inf}$ (Ganymede, Callisto)	60 days	
Increase inclination with 10 Callisto gravity assists	200 days	
Callisto to Ganymede	11 months	 <p>Callisto</p>  
Ganymede (polar) 10,000x200 km & 5000 km	150 days	
500 km circular	102 days	
200 km circular	30 days	
Total mission at Jupiter	3 years	

# Exploration of the Jupiter system

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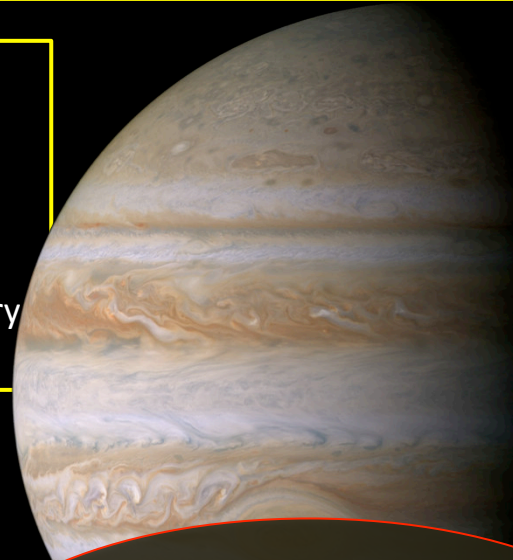
The biggest planet, the biggest magnetosphere, and a mini solar system

## Jupiter

- Archetype for giant planets
- Natural planetary-scale laboratory for fundamental fluid dynamics, chemistry, meteorology,...
- Window into the formational history of our planetary system

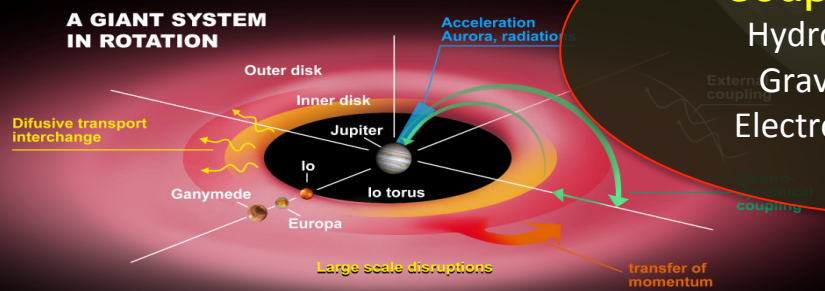
## Magnetosphere

- Largest object in our Solar System
- Biggest particle accelerator in the Solar System
- Unveil global dynamics of an astrophysical object

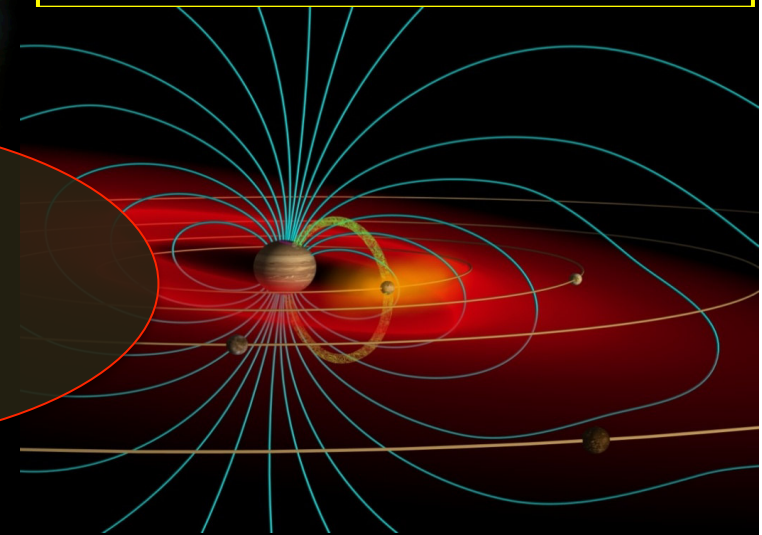
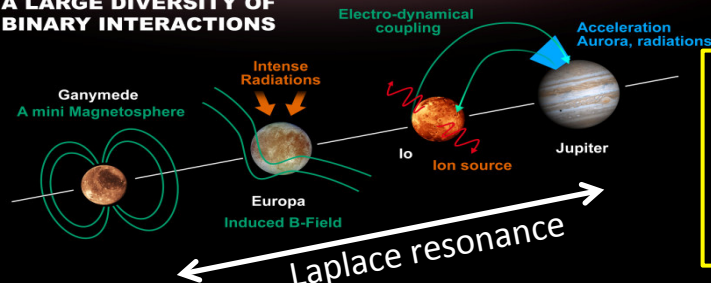


## Coupling processes

Hydrodynamic coupling  
Gravitational coupling  
Electromagnetic coupling



## A LARGE DIVERSITY OF BINARY INTERACTIONS



## Satellite system

- Tidal forces: Laplace resonance
- Electromagnetic interactions to magnetosphere and upper atmosphere of Jupiter

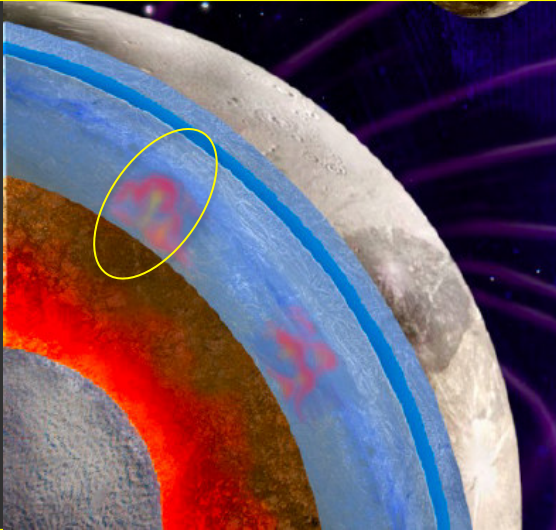
# From the Jupiter system to extrasolar planetary systems

## Waterworlds and giant planets

## Habitable worlds

## Astrophysics Connection

**Waterworlds:** If habitable, the liquid layers are trapped between two icy layers



### Occurrence:

Largest moons, hot ice giants, ocean-planets...  
Most common habitat in the universe ?

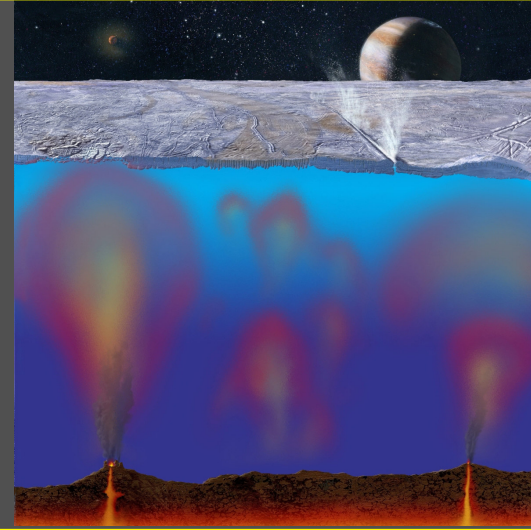
### Key question:

Are these waterworlds habitable ?

### What JUICE will do:

Via characterisation of Ganymede, will constrain the likelihood of habitability in the universe

**Europa-like:** If habitable, the liquid layers may be in contact with silicates as on Earth



### Occurrence:

Europa, Enceladus  
Only possible for very small bodies

### Key question:

How are the surface active areas related to potential deep habitats?

### What JUICE will do:

Pave the way for future landing on Europa  
Better understand the likelihood of deep local habitats



# From the Jovian system to extrasolar planetary systems

Waterworlds and giant planets

Habitable worlds

Astrophysics Connection

By studying Ganymede, we can characterise an entire family of exoplanets: the waterworlds.

## Jupiter system

Three waterworlds  
One giant planet



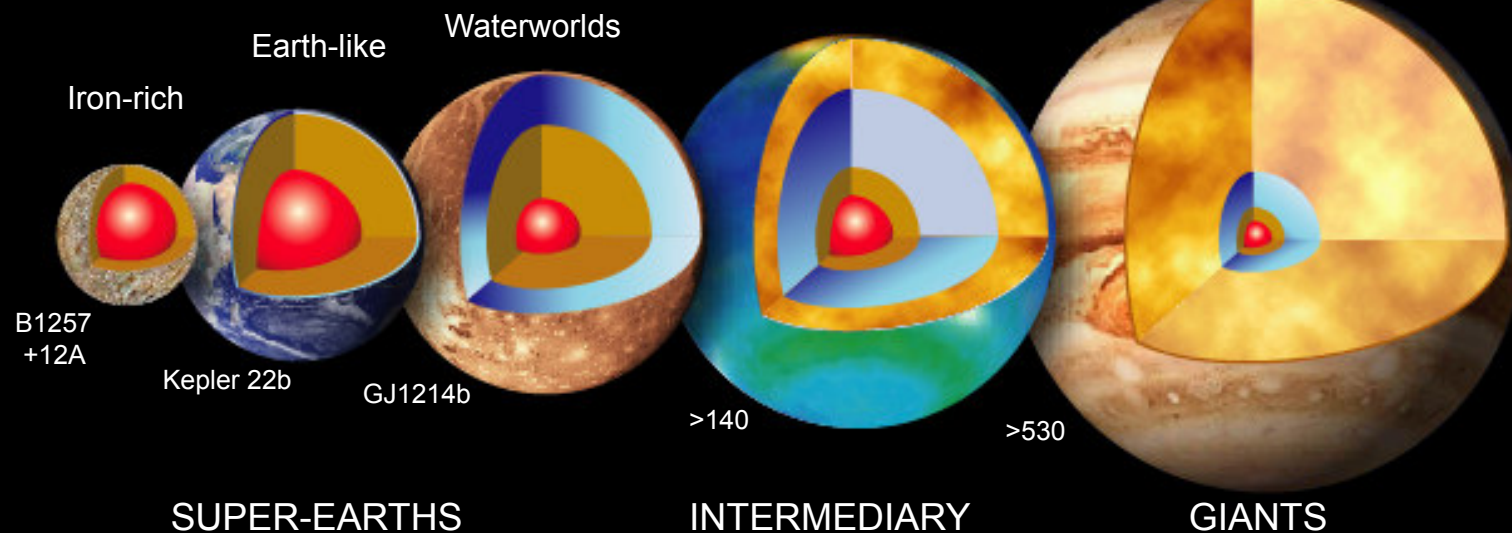
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Jupiter

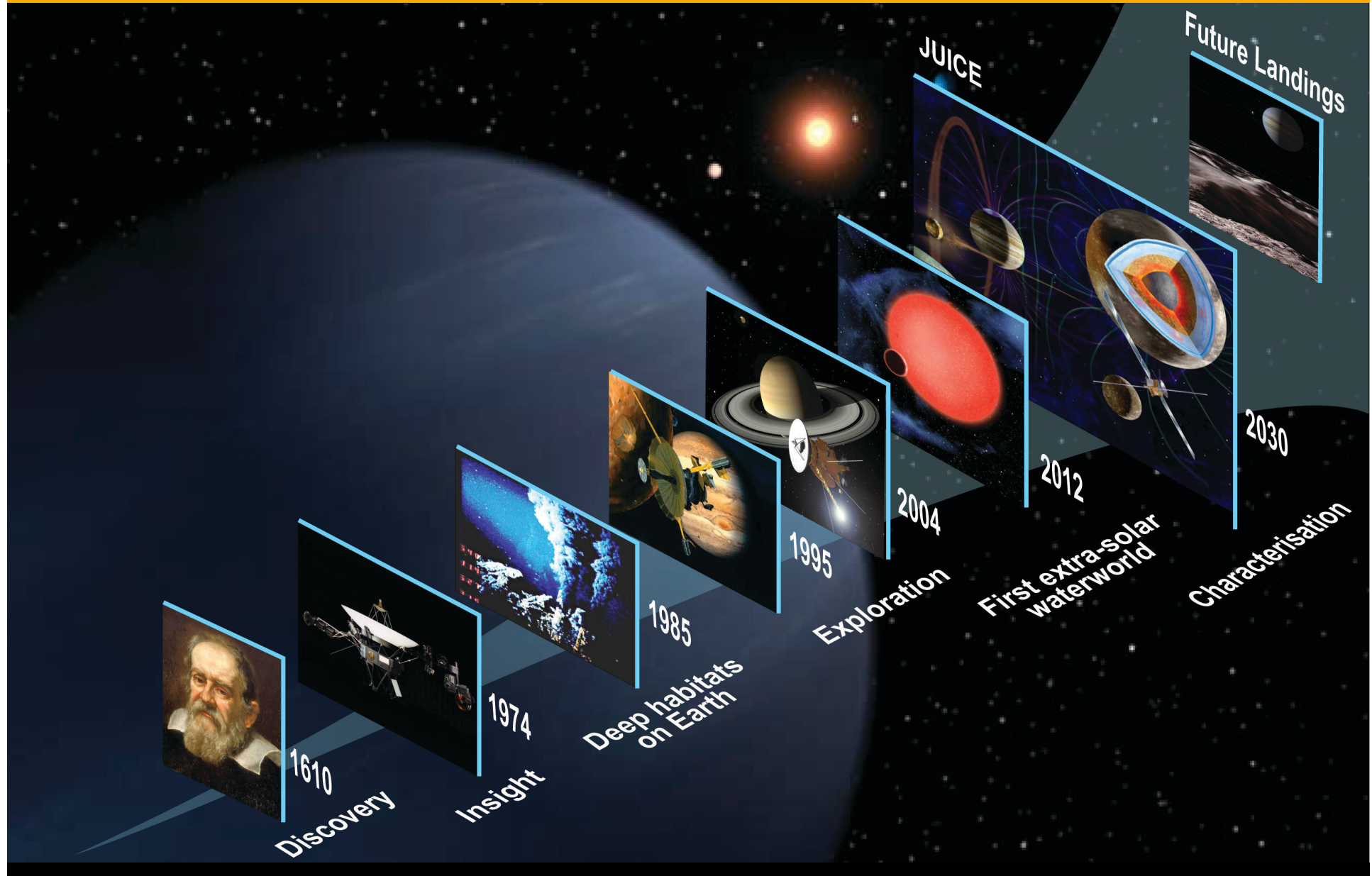
## Exoplanets

Five families  
> 1800 planets

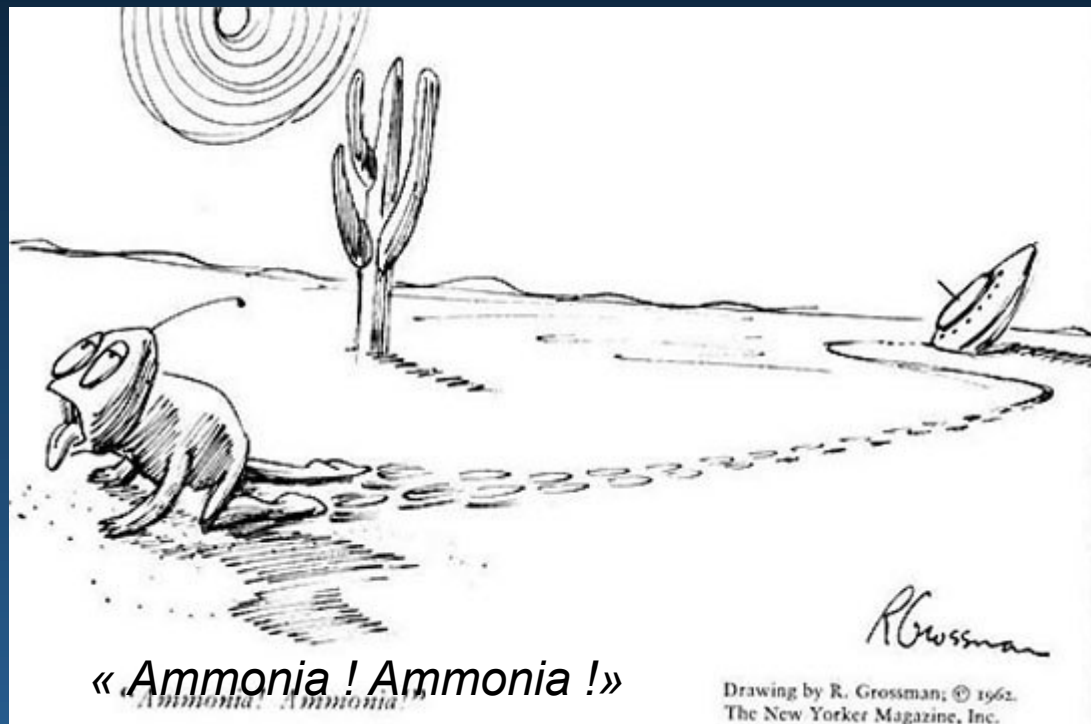
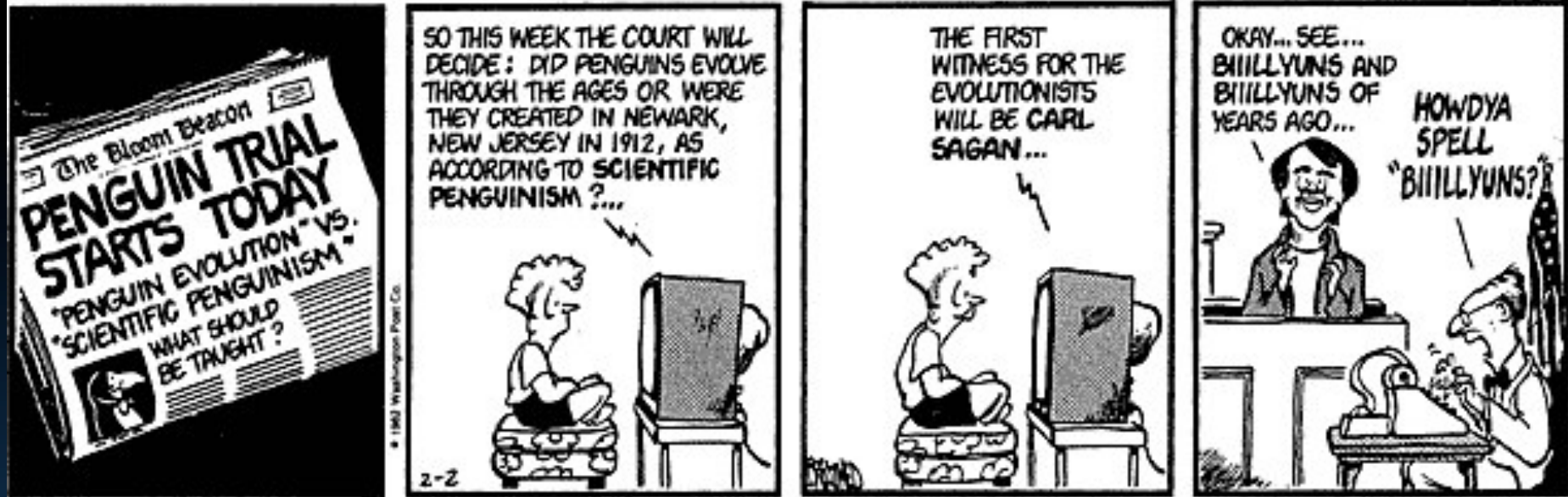


# THE FUTURE OF EXPLORATION

Rich future for exploration of habitable worlds in the outer solar system with JUICE as L1 and more : missions to Europa, Titan, Enceladus, and exoplanets (CHEOPS+PLATO+ARIEL at ESA)



## OTHER LIFE FORMS AND THE LOOK FOR HABITATS





Thank you  
and au revoir !

