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00:00:04,550 --> 00:00:02,389
hi we're live at goddard space flight

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00:00:06,710 --> 00:00:04,560
center i'm erin kisslick and we are here

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00:00:08,390 --> 00:00:06,720
today talking about exo moons there's

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00:00:10,470 --> 00:00:08,400
been a lot of excitement this week

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00:00:12,310 --> 00:00:10,480
between nasa's 60th anniversary and this

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00:00:13,830 --> 00:00:12,320
new potential exo moon so i've got the

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00:00:16,470 --> 00:00:13,840
experts here to talk to you a little bit

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00:00:19,429 --> 00:00:16,480
about it i've got dr jennifer wiseman

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00:00:21,590 --> 00:00:19,439
and i've got dr nicole colon and um send

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00:00:23,509 --> 00:00:21,600
in your questions to hashtag ask nasa

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00:00:24,470 --> 00:00:23,519
and we'll get to just as many as we can

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00:00:27,189 --> 00:00:24,480
so

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00:00:28,710 --> 00:00:27,199

let's jump right in jennifer what is an

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00:00:35,110 --> 00:00:28,720

exo moon

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00:00:37,830 --> 00:00:35,120

that's outside our solar system the exo

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00:00:40,869 --> 00:00:37,840

part is the outside part and as you know

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00:00:43,510 --> 00:00:40,879

we've been just detecting thousands of

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00:00:44,470 --> 00:00:43,520

planets outside our solar system over

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00:00:45,830 --> 00:00:44,480

the last

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00:00:47,910 --> 00:00:45,840

couple of decades or so it's very

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00:00:50,150 --> 00:00:47,920

exciting but we've always wondered if

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00:00:52,310 --> 00:00:50,160

any of those planets that are orbiting

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00:00:54,389 --> 00:00:52,320

stars other than our sun

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00:00:56,790 --> 00:00:54,399

could also have moons like many of the

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00:00:58,790 --> 00:00:56,800

planets in our own solar system have and

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00:01:01,349 --> 00:00:58,800

now we have some intriguing evidence

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00:01:03,430 --> 00:01:01,359

that we may have found one such system

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00:01:04,950 --> 00:01:03,440

that's really exciting so a new moon in

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00:01:07,190 --> 00:01:04,960

a new place um

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00:01:09,030 --> 00:01:07,200

nicole how do we go about finding

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00:01:10,950 --> 00:01:09,040

something that we've never found before

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00:01:12,469 --> 00:01:10,960

how do you find an exo moon that's a

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00:01:14,149 --> 00:01:12,479

really great question

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00:01:17,109 --> 00:01:14,159

there are several ways to find

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00:01:19,109 --> 00:01:17,119

exoplanets and one of the ways that we

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00:01:21,429 --> 00:01:19,119

would prefer to find them is to take a

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00:01:23,109 --> 00:01:21,439

direct picture of it so we can see it

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00:01:25,510 --> 00:01:23,119

you know it's in all its glory but

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00:01:26,630 --> 00:01:25,520

that's really difficult to do

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00:01:29,590 --> 00:01:26,640

because

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00:01:31,670 --> 00:01:29,600

the stars are so bright and direct

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00:01:33,429 --> 00:01:31,680

imaging often you need to block the

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00:01:35,190 --> 00:01:33,439

light from the star and the planet

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00:01:37,270 --> 00:01:35,200

itself is so faint and so small in

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00:01:40,230 --> 00:01:37,280

comparison that we have to use what we

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00:01:43,190 --> 00:01:40,240

call indirect methods to instead detect

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00:01:45,910 --> 00:01:43,200

these exoplanets so in this case of this

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00:01:47,350 --> 00:01:45,920

exoplanet and exomoon system

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00:01:48,310 --> 00:01:47,360

we use something called the transit

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00:01:49,429 --> 00:01:48,320

method

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00:01:52,230 --> 00:01:49,439
and so

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00:01:54,149 --> 00:01:52,240
what this is is we

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00:01:56,310 --> 00:01:54,159
look at a star and we measure its

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00:01:58,950 --> 00:01:56,320
brightness over time

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00:02:01,270 --> 00:01:58,960
and essentially we're looking to see

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00:02:04,069 --> 00:02:01,280
regular dips of brightness

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00:02:06,550 --> 00:02:04,079
in the stars light so as illustrated

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00:02:08,790 --> 00:02:06,560
here when you have some type of size

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00:02:10,630 --> 00:02:08,800
planet like a jupiter-sized planet which

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00:02:13,030 --> 00:02:10,640
is the case here

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00:02:15,350 --> 00:02:13,040
the jupiter comes in and it blocks some

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00:02:17,589 --> 00:02:15,360
fraction of light from the star causing

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00:02:20,869 --> 00:02:17,599

a big dip in the light

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00:02:24,229 --> 00:02:20,879

but then in this case we also saw an

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00:02:27,110 --> 00:02:24,239

exomoon signal which happened because we

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00:02:29,270 --> 00:02:27,120

saw a tinier dip of light that came

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00:02:30,630 --> 00:02:29,280

around the same time

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00:02:33,030 --> 00:02:30,640

as the

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00:02:34,949 --> 00:02:33,040

transit of the jupiter-sized planet so

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00:02:37,830 --> 00:02:34,959

here there's another

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00:02:41,110 --> 00:02:37,840

smaller object that causes a teeny tiny

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00:02:44,070 --> 00:02:41,120

little dip over here and so this is what

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00:02:46,550 --> 00:02:44,080

we saw when we discovered this candidate

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00:02:50,390 --> 00:02:46,560

exomoon system

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00:02:52,390 --> 00:02:50,400

but backing stepping taking a step back

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00:02:53,589 --> 00:02:52,400

what telescopes did we actually use to

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00:02:55,750 --> 00:02:53,599

do this

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00:02:58,790 --> 00:02:55,760

those were the kepler space telescope

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00:03:00,710 --> 00:02:58,800

and the hubble space telescope so kepler

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00:03:03,110 --> 00:03:00,720

ran the original survey

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00:03:04,710 --> 00:03:03,120

using the same transit method to find

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00:03:05,670 --> 00:03:04,720

thousands of planets as jennifer

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00:03:08,149 --> 00:03:05,680

mentioned

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00:03:09,910 --> 00:03:08,159

and kepler stared at one part of the sky

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00:03:13,270 --> 00:03:09,920

to do this

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00:03:14,229 --> 00:03:13,280

but in all those planets that kepler

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00:03:16,869 --> 00:03:14,239

found

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only one viable eczeman candidate was

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discovered and so that's why it was so

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00:03:22,149 --> 00:03:20,640

exciting to astronomers

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00:03:23,110 --> 00:03:22,159

and after that

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00:03:24,949 --> 00:03:23,120

we

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00:03:27,350 --> 00:03:24,959

astronomers decided to use the hubble

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00:03:30,229 --> 00:03:27,360

space telescope to follow it up and

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00:03:33,350 --> 00:03:30,239

verify the signal that we originally saw

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00:03:35,430 --> 00:03:33,360

in the kepler data so hubble was able to

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00:03:37,830 --> 00:03:35,440

provide a more precise measurement it

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00:03:39,589 --> 00:03:37,840

has more sensitive instruments basically

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00:03:42,390 --> 00:03:39,599

and so we were able to recover this

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00:03:43,589 --> 00:03:42,400

signal and verify that we do indeed have

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00:03:47,509 --> 00:03:43,599

a

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00:03:49,670 --> 00:03:47,519

system now

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00:03:51,350 --> 00:03:49,680

that's so exciting so many different

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00:03:53,030 --> 00:03:51,360

telescopes working together i just want

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00:03:54,869 --> 00:03:53,040

to remind everybody just joining us now

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00:03:56,630 --> 00:03:54,879

that we're at nasa's goddard space

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00:03:58,710 --> 00:03:56,640

flight center and we are talking about

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00:04:00,390 --> 00:03:58,720

exo moons and if you have questions send

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00:04:02,149 --> 00:04:00,400

them into hashtag ask nasa and we're

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00:04:04,869 --> 00:04:02,159

getting to just as many as we can today

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00:04:06,550 --> 00:04:04,879

during the show so jennifer we have our

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00:04:09,509 --> 00:04:06,560

own moon and we know about other moons

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00:04:11,750 --> 00:04:09,519

in our solar system is this moon like

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00:04:13,830 --> 00:04:11,760

the moons we already know

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00:04:16,710 --> 00:04:13,840

well erin we don't know too much about

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00:04:17,909 --> 00:04:16,720

this system yet but we know a little bit

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00:04:18,949 --> 00:04:17,919

we know

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00:04:22,469 --> 00:04:18,959

that

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00:04:24,310 --> 00:04:22,479

the size of the moon is much bigger than

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00:04:25,749 --> 00:04:24,320

the moons that we are accustomed to in

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00:04:27,830 --> 00:04:25,759

our own solar system i mean we have a

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00:04:31,030 --> 00:04:27,840

huge variety of moons

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00:04:33,110 --> 00:04:31,040

in our solar system over 170 moons

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00:04:35,110 --> 00:04:33,120

but they come in many different sizes

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00:04:38,150 --> 00:04:35,120

and in many different

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00:04:41,030 --> 00:04:38,160

types of environments

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00:04:43,909 --> 00:04:41,040

everything from the hot

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00:04:46,950 --> 00:04:43,919

volcanic moon of io to these ice covered

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00:04:48,629 --> 00:04:46,960

moons and even moons that are you know

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00:04:51,270 --> 00:04:48,639

comparable to

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00:04:52,790 --> 00:04:51,280

our moon or big herb but we don't have

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00:04:55,590 --> 00:04:52,800

the type of moon that we're seeing in

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00:04:57,510 --> 00:04:55,600

this system this system seems to have a

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00:04:59,430 --> 00:04:57,520

moon that's really about the size of

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00:05:01,350 --> 00:04:59,440

neptune it's huge

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00:05:03,670 --> 00:05:01,360

and it's orbiting a

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00:05:05,430 --> 00:05:03,680

planet that would be like jupiter

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00:05:07,990 --> 00:05:05,440

basically in size

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00:05:10,469 --> 00:05:08,000

this moon would probably be more like a

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00:05:13,670 --> 00:05:10,479

gaseous body so we don't really have a

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00:05:16,150 --> 00:05:13,680

gaseous type moon that we know of in our

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00:05:17,990 --> 00:05:16,160

own solar system so in that sense it

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00:05:19,909 --> 00:05:18,000

would be very different from the types

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00:05:22,790 --> 00:05:19,919

of moons we're accustomed to studying in

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00:05:24,230 --> 00:05:22,800

our own solar system however in one way

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00:05:25,510 --> 00:05:24,240

it's not uh

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00:05:27,029 --> 00:05:25,520

all that different from what we're

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00:05:29,990 --> 00:05:27,039

accustomed to and that's in the sense

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00:05:31,830 --> 00:05:30,000

that this planet and potential moon

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00:05:34,070 --> 00:05:31,840

is orbiting a star that's not too

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00:05:36,230 --> 00:05:34,080

different from our sun and orbiting it

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00:05:39,749 --> 00:05:36,240

about the same distance from that star

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00:05:42,310 --> 00:05:39,759

that our earth is orbiting from our sun

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00:05:44,230 --> 00:05:42,320

and so it has a similar length of year

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00:05:45,830 --> 00:05:44,240

the planet does and

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00:05:47,909 --> 00:05:45,840

probably

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00:05:49,749 --> 00:05:47,919

a similar type of environment in the

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00:05:51,590 --> 00:05:49,759

sense that it is in what we call the

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00:05:53,749 --> 00:05:51,600

habitable zone

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00:05:55,590 --> 00:05:53,759

around that star that doesn't

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00:05:57,830 --> 00:05:55,600

necessarily mean there's life there but

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00:05:59,990 --> 00:05:57,840

it means that the temperatures there

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00:06:02,550 --> 00:06:00,000

would be moderate enough that you could

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00:06:03,590 --> 00:06:02,560

potentially have liquid water

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00:06:05,749 --> 00:06:03,600

in that

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00:06:07,670 --> 00:06:05,759

region however given that it's probably

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00:06:10,230 --> 00:06:07,680

a big gaseous thing

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00:06:11,590 --> 00:06:10,240

it's not going to be like oceans and

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00:06:13,110 --> 00:06:11,600

lakes so

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00:06:14,629 --> 00:06:13,120

mostly it's different from what we're

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00:06:16,629 --> 00:06:14,639

accustomed to here

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00:06:18,469 --> 00:06:16,639

thank you so we got a new moon and a new

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00:06:20,469 --> 00:06:18,479

place we're learning all kinds of new

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00:06:23,189 --> 00:06:20,479

things and like you said nicole

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00:06:25,510 --> 00:06:23,199

it took two telescopes to figure this

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00:06:27,110 --> 00:06:25,520
out so what's the plan going forward do

177
00:06:28,629 --> 00:06:27,120
we have any more ways to gather even

178
00:06:30,230 --> 00:06:28,639
more evidence from maybe other

179
00:06:32,950 --> 00:06:30,240
telescopes

180
00:06:34,710 --> 00:06:32,960
well first we hope that hubble itself

181
00:06:36,309 --> 00:06:34,720
we'll be able to look at this planet

182
00:06:37,510 --> 00:06:36,319
again um

183
00:06:38,390 --> 00:06:37,520
the

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00:06:40,629 --> 00:06:38,400
issue

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00:06:42,790 --> 00:06:40,639
with this is that because jennifer just

186
00:06:45,029 --> 00:06:42,800
mentioned it has such a large orbit

187
00:06:47,189 --> 00:06:45,039
almost as long as our own year

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00:06:50,230 --> 00:06:47,199

it takes a long time before it transits

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00:06:53,110 --> 00:06:50,240

again so it only transits every so often

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00:06:55,350 --> 00:06:53,120

so we can only look to at the signal

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00:06:57,270 --> 00:06:55,360

every so often and so

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00:06:59,830 --> 00:06:57,280

hubble might have a chance to look at

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00:07:02,710 --> 00:06:59,840

this again next may actually

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00:07:05,270 --> 00:07:02,720

and beyond that the james webb space

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00:07:08,150 --> 00:07:05,280

telescope is expected to launch in a few

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00:07:10,150 --> 00:07:08,160

years and that has also

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00:07:11,270 --> 00:07:10,160

very sensitive instruments

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00:07:14,070 --> 00:07:11,280

and

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00:07:17,110 --> 00:07:14,080

a a large mirror that can collect a lot

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00:07:19,189 --> 00:07:17,120

of light to get very precise data so we

201
00:07:20,150 --> 00:07:19,199
can again look to recover the same

202
00:07:22,710 --> 00:07:20,160
signal

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00:07:25,110 --> 00:07:22,720
and you know help verify this

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00:07:28,390 --> 00:07:25,120
this exomoon candidate that has been

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00:07:31,110 --> 00:07:28,400
identified and in addition

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00:07:31,830 --> 00:07:31,120
beyond just looking at the same system

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00:07:34,469 --> 00:07:31,840
the

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00:07:37,749 --> 00:07:34,479
tess mission just started collecting

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00:07:39,990 --> 00:07:37,759
data recently and it launched in april

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00:07:42,390 --> 00:07:40,000
of this year and tess is the transiting

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00:07:43,510 --> 00:07:42,400
exoplanet survey satellite

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00:07:45,350 --> 00:07:43,520
and

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00:07:48,950 --> 00:07:45,360

since uh july actually it started

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00:07:51,430 --> 00:07:48,960

science it is basically doing a nearly

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00:07:53,110 --> 00:07:51,440

all sky survey compared to the kepler

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00:07:54,150 --> 00:07:53,120

mission which observed just one part of

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00:07:56,790 --> 00:07:54,160

the sky

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00:07:59,110 --> 00:07:56,800

tess is looking at almost the entire sky

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for exoplanets doing the same exact

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thing looking for dips in the light

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00:08:05,749 --> 00:08:03,680

and in this case

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tess is looking at a lot of bright stars

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a lot of nearby stars so it's looking at

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00:08:12,150 --> 00:08:10,080

a very different sample of stars and

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00:08:14,230 --> 00:08:12,160

kepler looked at but there's still a

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00:08:16,230 --> 00:08:14,240

possibility that we will find lots of

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00:08:19,029 --> 00:08:16,240

planets and maybe some of those will

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00:08:20,390 --> 00:08:19,039

have exo moons around them so i guess

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we'll all have to stay tuned and

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00:08:23,029 --> 00:08:22,000

speaking of stay tuned maybe you're just

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00:08:24,469 --> 00:08:23,039

tuning in

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we're live at nasa's goddard space

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flight center we're talking about exo

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00:08:31,270 --> 00:08:29,120

moons crazy um send your questions in to

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hashtag ask nasa and we'll get to just

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00:08:34,790 --> 00:08:33,440

as many as we can throughout the show um

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00:08:36,230 --> 00:08:34,800

one of the questions that i had seen

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00:08:38,310 --> 00:08:36,240

from the press release when it came out

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00:08:41,670 --> 00:08:38,320

on wednesday people were asking about

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00:08:44,070 --> 00:08:41,680

how you know how far is this away from

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00:08:47,670 --> 00:08:44,080

us oh good question so

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00:08:50,230 --> 00:08:47,680

um we think this system is about 8 000

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00:08:52,389 --> 00:08:50,240

light years away of course the light

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00:08:55,190 --> 00:08:52,399

year is the distance that it takes for

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00:08:57,030 --> 00:08:55,200

light to travel in a year and so it's

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00:08:59,829 --> 00:08:57,040

not right around the corner from our

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00:09:02,470 --> 00:08:59,839

solar system but it is in our galaxy and

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not too far away cosmically speaking so

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it's in the the um

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uh constellation sagittarius or no

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what's the oh it's in cygnus cygnus

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sorry it's in cygnus this is the region

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of the sky that kepler was

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00:09:17,990 --> 00:09:16,240

observing and so that's why the system

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was found in the first place by kepler

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and so um

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it's not easy for us to see

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especially

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this candidate of an exo moon we have to

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have powerful telescopes but it's in our

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own galaxy so it's not terribly far away

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00:09:34,230 --> 00:09:31,680

no astronomically

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00:09:36,870 --> 00:09:34,240

so it's not so far away another question

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00:09:39,430 --> 00:09:36,880

we're getting of course is um could

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00:09:41,350 --> 00:09:39,440

there be life

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00:09:43,430 --> 00:09:41,360

could there be yeah that's a question

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00:09:44,230 --> 00:09:43,440

everybody always wants to know

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00:09:46,630 --> 00:09:44,240

and

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00:09:50,470 --> 00:09:46,640

again this this system this planet in

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this moon exomoon is orbiting at a

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distance from its star that means that

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00:09:57,430 --> 00:09:55,360

at that region the temperature it has

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00:09:59,590 --> 00:09:57,440

could be a temperature where liquid

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water exists or it is a temperature

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where liquid water exists but these two

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particular objects are so um large and

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massive that they're basically um like

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00:10:11,750 --> 00:10:09,839

balls of gas you know they're not

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00:10:12,470 --> 00:10:11,760

they're they're gas giants essentially

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00:10:14,870 --> 00:10:12,480

or

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00:10:16,069 --> 00:10:14,880

and they're nothing um like our own

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00:10:17,910 --> 00:10:16,079

earth you know they don't have this

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00:10:21,110 --> 00:10:17,920

rocky surface that you can really walk

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00:10:24,310 --> 00:10:21,120

around on so the prospects of life on

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00:10:25,269 --> 00:10:24,320

this planet and this moon itself

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00:10:26,310 --> 00:10:25,279

is

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00:10:27,269 --> 00:10:26,320

very slim

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00:10:29,190 --> 00:10:27,279

but

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00:10:31,670 --> 00:10:29,200

where there's one planet often we find

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00:10:33,030 --> 00:10:31,680

more so there might be more planets in

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00:10:33,910 --> 00:10:33,040

the system

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00:10:35,829 --> 00:10:33,920

where

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00:10:38,310 --> 00:10:35,839

you know could be that could be rocky we

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00:10:40,870 --> 00:10:38,320

just haven't had the um

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00:10:42,389 --> 00:10:40,880

the sensitivity to detect them yet so

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00:10:44,949 --> 00:10:42,399

that's something that you know we'll see

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00:10:45,990 --> 00:10:44,959

in the future if we're able to tell

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00:10:48,470 --> 00:10:46,000

whether or not there's additional

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00:10:50,710 --> 00:10:48,480

planets in the system that could have

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00:10:52,630 --> 00:10:50,720

ingredients for life well i guess we'll

301
00:10:53,829 --> 00:10:52,640
have to stay tuned um and we're actually

302
00:10:55,110 --> 00:10:53,839
starting to take in some of your

303
00:10:57,509 --> 00:10:55,120
questions keep sending them and i've got

304
00:11:00,710 --> 00:10:57,519
some really good ones here um

305
00:11:03,030 --> 00:11:00,720
hashtag ask nasa of course um so

306
00:11:05,269 --> 00:11:03,040
jennifer we're just talking about the

307
00:11:06,310 --> 00:11:05,279
temperature of the moon what what is the

308
00:11:07,910 --> 00:11:06,320
temperature

309
00:11:09,829 --> 00:11:07,920
of the moon

310
00:11:13,269 --> 00:11:09,839
well again we don't know too much about

311
00:11:15,269 --> 00:11:13,279
this moon yet we know roughly its size

312
00:11:17,190 --> 00:11:15,279
it's mass it's huge

313
00:11:19,030 --> 00:11:17,200

but we don't really know all these

314

00:11:20,870 --> 00:11:19,040

details but we can kind of estimate the

315

00:11:23,430 --> 00:11:20,880

researchers who who

316

00:11:25,030 --> 00:11:23,440

were detecting this object estimated as

317

00:11:27,190 --> 00:11:25,040

temperature based on its distance and

318

00:11:30,710 --> 00:11:27,200

likely composition so we think it's a

319

00:11:33,990 --> 00:11:30,720

balmy maybe 80 degrees fahrenheit up to

320

00:11:37,030 --> 00:11:34,000

170 degrees fahrenheit so you know warm

321

00:11:41,190 --> 00:11:37,040

but not boiling hot yes

322

00:11:45,990 --> 00:11:43,430

so nicole was this was this a surprise

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00:11:47,750 --> 00:11:46,000

for scientists when we saw this thing

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00:11:49,990 --> 00:11:47,760

was it was it shocking or were we

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00:11:52,310 --> 00:11:50,000

looking for it what

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00:11:55,190 --> 00:11:52,320

well you know thinking about our own

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00:11:57,350 --> 00:11:55,200

solar system where we have a lot of

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00:11:58,790 --> 00:11:57,360

planets and we have a lot of moons

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00:12:01,190 --> 00:11:58,800

around those planets

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00:12:05,430 --> 00:12:01,200

jupiter and saturn both have many many

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00:12:07,269 --> 00:12:05,440

planets or sorry many moons around them

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00:12:08,870 --> 00:12:07,279

you know there's so many moons in our

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00:12:11,350 --> 00:12:08,880

own solar system essentially that

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00:12:13,509 --> 00:12:11,360

finding even just one outside

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00:12:15,269 --> 00:12:13,519

our solar system around another star

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00:12:17,190 --> 00:12:15,279

around another planet is not that

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00:12:19,269 --> 00:12:17,200

surprising

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00:12:22,230 --> 00:12:19,279

it's just it shows you though since

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00:12:25,910 --> 00:12:22,240

we've only found one how difficult it is

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00:12:27,990 --> 00:12:25,920

to find these small signals and so

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00:12:28,949 --> 00:12:28,000

you know i'm sure over time we can find

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00:12:29,829 --> 00:12:28,959

more

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00:12:31,269 --> 00:12:29,839

but

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00:12:34,230 --> 00:12:31,279

who knows if there'll be anything like

345

00:12:36,629 --> 00:12:34,240

our own moon earth system you never know

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00:12:37,509 --> 00:12:36,639

all right so a few more questions coming

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00:12:39,509 --> 00:12:37,519

in

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00:12:41,910 --> 00:12:39,519

um

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00:12:44,550 --> 00:12:41,920

jennifer is it possible to one day find

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00:12:48,470 --> 00:12:44,560

exoplanets that have binary orbits like

351
00:12:49,910 --> 00:12:48,480
pluto or and sharon in that system

352
00:12:51,509 --> 00:12:49,920
well um

353
00:12:53,350 --> 00:12:51,519
certainly it's possible i mean this is

354
00:12:55,750 --> 00:12:53,360
very interesting

355
00:12:57,990 --> 00:12:55,760
if you have you know one body orbiting a

356
00:13:00,069 --> 00:12:58,000
star and then something perhaps orbiting

357
00:13:01,829 --> 00:13:00,079
that body as we do in a moon planet

358
00:13:04,790 --> 00:13:01,839
system but then there can also be sort

359
00:13:06,949 --> 00:13:04,800
of binary planet situations

360
00:13:09,430 --> 00:13:06,959
the definition of that is not always

361
00:13:11,190 --> 00:13:09,440
completely clear so it's certainly

362
00:13:13,910 --> 00:13:11,200
possible in this system that we might

363
00:13:16,230 --> 00:13:13,920

have a binary planetary system

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00:13:18,710 --> 00:13:16,240

in this case though the candidate moon

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00:13:20,829 --> 00:13:18,720

that we have is something like

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00:13:23,990 --> 00:13:20,839

um you know

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00:13:27,990 --> 00:13:24,000

1.5 percent the mass of its

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00:13:31,350 --> 00:13:28,000

planet that's similar to the earth

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00:13:34,389 --> 00:13:31,360

and our moon ratio of mass the size

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00:13:37,750 --> 00:13:34,399

difference is pronounced between also

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00:13:39,269 --> 00:13:37,760

between this moon and its planet and so

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00:13:40,710 --> 00:13:39,279

it's more

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00:13:43,829 --> 00:13:40,720

i think it would be more accurately

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00:13:46,230 --> 00:13:43,839

described if this is confirmed as a moon

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00:13:49,110 --> 00:13:46,240

planet system as opposed to a binary

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00:13:51,990 --> 00:13:49,120

planet system simply because of that

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00:13:54,230 --> 00:13:52,000

difference in size and mass ratio but we

378

00:13:55,990 --> 00:13:54,240

need a few more observations to to learn

379

00:13:57,030 --> 00:13:56,000

more details and it's interesting you

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00:13:59,110 --> 00:13:57,040

should say that because the very next

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00:14:00,710 --> 00:13:59,120

question that i got in was how big is

382

00:14:04,710 --> 00:14:00,720

the moon

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00:14:06,790 --> 00:14:04,720

well it's it's large i mean we think um

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00:14:09,910 --> 00:14:06,800

again we can compare it to something

385

00:14:11,430 --> 00:14:09,920

like neptune in our own solar system so

386

00:14:14,790 --> 00:14:11,440

uh you know we're not used to having

387

00:14:17,030 --> 00:14:14,800

moons that are bigger than planet that

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00:14:19,110 --> 00:14:17,040

much bigger than planet earth in our own

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00:14:21,350 --> 00:14:19,120

solar system so it's really hard to

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00:14:23,750 --> 00:14:21,360

compare this is you know think about the

391

00:14:25,110 --> 00:14:23,760

earth moon system that we're accustomed

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00:14:26,949 --> 00:14:25,120

to and then

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00:14:29,829 --> 00:14:26,959

expand it

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00:14:32,509 --> 00:14:29,839

and then you've got this a huge system a

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00:14:35,350 --> 00:14:32,519

very large jupiter-like planet with a

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00:14:36,389 --> 00:14:35,360

neptune-sized moon both gaseous type

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00:14:39,590 --> 00:14:36,399

bodies

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00:14:41,269 --> 00:14:39,600

um as the system so it's much larger

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00:14:43,750 --> 00:14:41,279

than what we're accustomed to to any

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00:14:45,670 --> 00:14:43,760

type of system in our own solar system

401
00:14:47,750 --> 00:14:45,680
it's exciting you know it's nice to find

402
00:14:49,910 --> 00:14:47,760
new things um

403
00:14:52,870 --> 00:14:49,920
speaking of which we had a facebook

404
00:14:55,110 --> 00:14:52,880
follower asking um if we plan to send a

405
00:14:56,629 --> 00:14:55,120
probe to this exo moon nicole what do

406
00:14:59,030 --> 00:14:56,639
you think about that oh gosh i mean that

407
00:15:00,949 --> 00:14:59,040
would be amazing if we could do that um

408
00:15:03,509 --> 00:15:00,959
but jennifer mentioned before how far

409
00:15:04,389 --> 00:15:03,519
away it is um it's 8 000 light years

410
00:15:07,189 --> 00:15:04,399
away

411
00:15:09,430 --> 00:15:07,199
which means that even if we could travel

412
00:15:12,949 --> 00:15:09,440
at the speed of light it would take 8

413
00:15:14,790 --> 00:15:12,959

000 years to get there so you know it's

414

00:15:17,350 --> 00:15:14,800

it would be you know one of these

415

00:15:18,710 --> 00:15:17,360

awesome nice to have things but i think

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00:15:20,710 --> 00:15:18,720

it'll be a while before we have the

417

00:15:22,550 --> 00:15:20,720

technology to be able to send a probe

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00:15:25,189 --> 00:15:22,560

there unfortunately we don't have warp

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00:15:27,030 --> 00:15:25,199

drive yet yeah we need warp drives

420

00:15:28,870 --> 00:15:27,040

i continue to send in your questions

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00:15:32,230 --> 00:15:28,880

we're taking them live from social media

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00:15:34,230 --> 00:15:32,240

using the hashtag asknasa um

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00:15:36,710 --> 00:15:34,240

so the next question that i got was from

424

00:15:38,710 --> 00:15:36,720

facebook and somebody asked why should

425

00:15:41,670 --> 00:15:38,720

we be limiting the search for life to

426

00:15:43,110 --> 00:15:41,680

water slash carbon-based planets

427

00:15:44,069 --> 00:15:43,120

very good question

428

00:15:45,590 --> 00:15:44,079

so

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00:15:48,069 --> 00:15:45,600

um you know

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00:15:50,629 --> 00:15:48,079

we don't know what we don't know so so

431

00:15:52,550 --> 00:15:50,639

life forms could be very different from

432

00:15:54,310 --> 00:15:52,560

the type of life that we are accustomed

433

00:15:56,230 --> 00:15:54,320

to on planet earth we've all seen a lot

434

00:15:58,310 --> 00:15:56,240

of science fiction

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00:16:00,629 --> 00:15:58,320

but there are some good reasons to think

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00:16:02,949 --> 00:16:00,639

that complex life would probably be

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00:16:05,030 --> 00:16:02,959

carbon based and probably need some

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00:16:07,110 --> 00:16:05,040

connection to liquid water that's

439

00:16:09,670 --> 00:16:07,120

certainly what we found on planet earth

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00:16:11,670 --> 00:16:09,680

and we also are able at least from our

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00:16:14,710 --> 00:16:11,680

experience here to recognize what that

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00:16:16,790 --> 00:16:14,720

type of life would do to its atmosphere

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00:16:18,470 --> 00:16:16,800

such that we could detect it from a

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00:16:20,310 --> 00:16:18,480

distance and look at the atmospheric

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00:16:22,230 --> 00:16:20,320

characteristics and know that there must

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00:16:24,230 --> 00:16:22,240

be some kind of biological activity

447

00:16:27,269 --> 00:16:24,240

going on so those are some of the

448

00:16:29,990 --> 00:16:27,279

reasons why it makes sense to look for

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00:16:32,310 --> 00:16:30,000

life that has some similar basis to the

450

00:16:33,749 --> 00:16:32,320

life forms that we are familiar with on

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00:16:34,870 --> 00:16:33,759

planet earth

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00:16:36,949 --> 00:16:34,880

makes sense

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00:16:38,710 --> 00:16:36,959

um a lot of questions from facebook good

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00:16:39,430 --> 00:16:38,720

ones um

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00:16:42,389 --> 00:16:39,440

so

456

00:16:44,629 --> 00:16:42,399

how do we measure how do we go about

457

00:16:47,030 --> 00:16:44,639

measuring the size and distance to an

458

00:16:47,829 --> 00:16:47,040

exoplanet or an exo moon

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00:16:50,069 --> 00:16:47,839

so

460

00:16:51,269 --> 00:16:50,079

the size is

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00:17:13,750 --> 00:16:51,279

a

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00:17:17,189 --> 00:17:13,760

oh one percent of light is blocked which

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00:17:19,189 --> 00:17:17,199

means some object of some specific size

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00:17:20,710 --> 00:17:19,199

had to block that size

465

00:17:23,189 --> 00:17:20,720

that amount of light

466

00:17:25,990 --> 00:17:23,199

and so in that case in that way we're

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00:17:28,390 --> 00:17:26,000

able to measure the radius of the planet

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00:17:31,830 --> 00:17:28,400

that means we also need to know the size

469

00:17:35,110 --> 00:17:31,840

of the star in order to compare the two

470

00:17:37,190 --> 00:17:35,120

but we can know that from using

471

00:17:38,950 --> 00:17:37,200

observations from even other telescopes

472

00:17:40,630 --> 00:17:38,960

as well so there's like this whole army

473

00:17:42,789 --> 00:17:40,640

of telescopes you need to be able to

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00:17:44,070 --> 00:17:42,799

really find the planets and measure

475

00:17:45,270 --> 00:17:44,080

their properties

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00:17:52,630 --> 00:17:45,280

and

477

00:17:54,230 --> 00:17:52,640

was the other part of the question uh so

478

00:17:57,830 --> 00:17:54,240

how we measure the distance there was

479

00:18:01,029 --> 00:17:57,840

actually um an uh mission called gaia

480

00:18:03,669 --> 00:18:01,039

that is recently collecting data to

481

00:18:05,510 --> 00:18:03,679

measure positions of stars in the sky

482

00:18:08,390 --> 00:18:05,520

and based on measuring the positions of

483

00:18:10,950 --> 00:18:08,400

the stars we actually can measure kind

484

00:18:13,909 --> 00:18:10,960

of like this angle of how much they move

485

00:18:15,669 --> 00:18:13,919

and that actually tells us the distance

486

00:18:18,470 --> 00:18:15,679

away from earth so

487

00:18:20,549 --> 00:18:18,480

um it's it's really again an army of

488

00:18:22,870 --> 00:18:20,559

telescopes that operates you know in

489

00:18:25,830 --> 00:18:22,880

concert to provide all this information

490

00:18:27,430 --> 00:18:25,840

to get us the size even mass you know

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00:18:29,669 --> 00:18:27,440

distance everything

492

00:18:31,510 --> 00:18:29,679

so it's a lot of work but it's it's

493

00:18:33,590 --> 00:18:31,520

definitely worth it we're lucky we have

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00:18:34,950 --> 00:18:33,600

a great team that's right

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00:18:36,789 --> 00:18:34,960

um

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00:18:39,350 --> 00:18:36,799

so we've got another question from

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00:18:41,990 --> 00:18:39,360

hashtag ask nasa

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00:18:45,430 --> 00:18:42,000

it is how much stronger is the gravity

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00:18:47,909 --> 00:18:45,440

on this exo moon compared to than

500

00:18:52,150 --> 00:18:50,070

well that's a very good question i think

501
00:18:54,150 --> 00:18:52,160
i would have to sit and calculate that

502
00:18:57,190 --> 00:18:54,160
out

503
00:19:00,150 --> 00:18:57,200
put you on the spot right on the spot so

504
00:19:00,950 --> 00:19:00,160
um we know that it's mass

505
00:19:02,230 --> 00:19:00,960
uh

506
00:19:05,190 --> 00:19:02,240
the were they asking about the moon or

507
00:19:07,350 --> 00:19:05,200
the planet so um it looks it looks like

508
00:19:08,950 --> 00:19:07,360
compared to earth how much stronger is

509
00:19:09,830 --> 00:19:08,960
the gravity on this exomoon compared to

510
00:19:11,190 --> 00:19:09,840
earth

511
00:19:13,430 --> 00:19:11,200
okay so this

512
00:19:15,270 --> 00:19:13,440
moon is

513
00:19:17,190 --> 00:19:15,280

basically larger than earth it's

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00:19:18,950 --> 00:19:17,200

basically the size of neptune so it's

515

00:19:20,710 --> 00:19:18,960

going to have a stronger gravitational

516

00:19:22,150 --> 00:19:20,720

field based on the mass difference

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00:19:23,750 --> 00:19:22,160

between the moon and the earth i can't

518

00:19:26,150 --> 00:19:23,760

actually tell you that because we don't

519

00:19:27,270 --> 00:19:26,160

know for sure the actual mass of this

520

00:19:29,750 --> 00:19:27,280

moon

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00:19:32,390 --> 00:19:29,760

but it's going to be stronger and it's

522

00:19:34,549 --> 00:19:32,400

also going to be an odd thing to imagine

523

00:19:36,390 --> 00:19:34,559

because it doesn't have a solid surface

524

00:19:37,830 --> 00:19:36,400

so if you're thinking about you know

525

00:19:39,669 --> 00:19:37,840

jumping up and down on this moon like

526

00:19:41,430 --> 00:19:39,679

you might do on earth's moon if you were

527

00:19:44,549 --> 00:19:41,440

an astronaut you're not going to have

528

00:19:46,310 --> 00:19:44,559

the same experience so it's stronger and

529

00:19:47,990 --> 00:19:46,320

that may have actually interesting

530

00:19:49,190 --> 00:19:48,000

implications for the layers of

531

00:19:51,270 --> 00:19:49,200

atmosphere

532

00:19:53,430 --> 00:19:51,280

in this moon so if we have future

533

00:19:54,950 --> 00:19:53,440

telescopes where we can actually

534

00:19:57,270 --> 00:19:54,960

measure the composition of the

535

00:19:59,830 --> 00:19:57,280

atmosphere of this moon and compare it

536

00:20:01,750 --> 00:19:59,840

to let's say planets and our own gaseous

537

00:20:04,149 --> 00:20:01,760

planets in our own solar system we may

538

00:20:06,549 --> 00:20:04,159

be able to understand something about

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00:20:08,549 --> 00:20:06,559

how that moon has been formed what its

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00:20:11,029 --> 00:20:08,559

nature is and how that strong

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00:20:12,230 --> 00:20:11,039

gravitational field is affecting how the

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00:20:15,830 --> 00:20:12,240

layers of

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00:20:17,909 --> 00:20:15,840

of gases are arranging themselves in

544

00:20:19,669 --> 00:20:17,919

this moon so i look forward to being

545

00:20:21,990 --> 00:20:19,679

able to understand the effects of the

546

00:20:24,310 --> 00:20:22,000

gravitational field and maybe even a

547

00:20:25,990 --> 00:20:24,320

magnetic field when we have future

548

00:20:27,270 --> 00:20:26,000

observations

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00:20:30,470 --> 00:20:27,280

so we're just going to have to wait and

550

00:20:32,230 --> 00:20:30,480

see for a lot of these questions

551
00:20:33,750 --> 00:20:32,240
so this is actually a really interesting

552
00:20:36,870 --> 00:20:33,760
question

553
00:20:39,750 --> 00:20:36,880
if our own earth was this far away would

554
00:20:42,070 --> 00:20:39,760
we be able to detect it

555
00:20:45,750 --> 00:20:42,080
so if our earth was like 8 000 light

556
00:20:47,750 --> 00:20:45,760
years away i guess at the same distance

557
00:20:49,830 --> 00:20:47,760
that's a good question it

558
00:20:51,990 --> 00:20:49,840
so the initial

559
00:20:54,390 --> 00:20:52,000
planet that that this moon orbits around

560
00:20:56,870 --> 00:20:54,400
is a jupiter-sized planet which is

561
00:20:59,350 --> 00:20:56,880
something like 10 11 12 times the size

562
00:21:00,870 --> 00:20:59,360
of earth so it causes a pretty large dip

563
00:21:02,950 --> 00:21:00,880

in light

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00:21:06,470 --> 00:21:02,960

so the earth being that much smaller

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00:21:08,390 --> 00:21:06,480

would cause a much smaller dip um like a

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00:21:11,750 --> 00:21:08,400

tenth of of what

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00:21:13,990 --> 00:21:11,760

um that jupiter causes so

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00:21:16,310 --> 00:21:14,000

we would basically need you know very

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00:21:19,270 --> 00:21:16,320

very precise instruments and kepler did

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00:21:20,789 --> 00:21:19,280

discover um several earth-sized

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00:21:23,350 --> 00:21:20,799

exoplanets

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00:21:24,470 --> 00:21:23,360

um but then to have you know an exomoon

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00:21:25,830 --> 00:21:24,480

around it

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00:21:26,710 --> 00:21:25,840

that's something we haven't discovered

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00:21:28,710 --> 00:21:26,720

yet

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00:21:30,710 --> 00:21:28,720

so you know there's

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00:21:33,510 --> 00:21:30,720

it's tricky

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00:21:34,470 --> 00:21:33,520

is the answer um it depends on a lot of

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00:21:36,950 --> 00:21:34,480

things

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00:21:38,789 --> 00:21:36,960

but you know it's not um

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00:21:40,470 --> 00:21:38,799

it's not impossible you just need to

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00:21:43,350 --> 00:21:40,480

make sure you have the right you know

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00:21:45,590 --> 00:21:43,360

telescope basically

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00:21:47,990 --> 00:21:45,600

okay um let's

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00:21:50,950 --> 00:21:49,270

continue sending your questions into

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00:21:52,870 --> 00:21:50,960

hashtag ask nasa by the way we will get

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00:21:56,390 --> 00:21:52,880

to as many as we can and we'll get to

588

00:21:58,230 --> 00:21:56,400

some after the show too i'm sure um so

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00:21:59,430 --> 00:21:58,240

how does the gravity well we already

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00:22:01,830 --> 00:21:59,440

discussed gravity how's the

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00:22:03,430 --> 00:22:01,840

electromagnetic field of that exomoon

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00:22:05,590 --> 00:22:03,440

compared to earth do we do we even have

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00:22:07,510 --> 00:22:05,600

any information on that yet

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00:22:09,750 --> 00:22:07,520

well that's a that's a great question

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00:22:11,350 --> 00:22:09,760

because that would impact all kinds of

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00:22:13,350 --> 00:22:11,360

things about the environment about that

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00:22:15,190 --> 00:22:13,360

exomoon so

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00:22:17,350 --> 00:22:15,200

we don't have a lot of information about

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00:22:20,070 --> 00:22:17,360

this whole system but as as i mentioned

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00:22:23,830 --> 00:22:20,080

earlier we think that the star that this

601
00:22:26,549 --> 00:22:23,840
planet and potential moon are orbiting

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00:22:27,909 --> 00:22:26,559
is not too different from our sun so

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00:22:29,750 --> 00:22:27,919
it's going to have some of those same

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00:22:31,909 --> 00:22:29,760
characteristics of the sun which would

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00:22:35,350 --> 00:22:31,919
include magnetic field activity that

606
00:22:38,149 --> 00:22:35,360
might in fact interact occasionally the

607
00:22:40,310 --> 00:22:38,159
the stellar activity may interact with

608
00:22:42,230 --> 00:22:40,320
this planet and its moon its system just

609
00:22:44,549 --> 00:22:42,240
the same way as our sun has certain

610
00:22:46,230 --> 00:22:44,559
activity flares and so forth that

611
00:22:47,909 --> 00:22:46,240
interact with our

612
00:22:51,510 --> 00:22:47,919
earth moon system

613
00:22:53,590 --> 00:22:51,520

and then it's quite possible that this

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00:22:55,830 --> 00:22:53,600

planet that this moon is associated with

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00:22:58,230 --> 00:22:55,840

would have a magnetic field that

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00:23:00,630 --> 00:22:58,240

magnetic field would impact

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00:23:02,870 --> 00:23:00,640

its moon and it would affect the

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00:23:05,909 --> 00:23:02,880

environment there that would infect how

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00:23:07,830 --> 00:23:05,919

that system is interacting with flares

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00:23:10,549 --> 00:23:07,840

and particles cosmic rays coming from

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00:23:12,710 --> 00:23:10,559

its parent star so we don't know yet

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00:23:14,390 --> 00:23:12,720

what the magnetic field might be around

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00:23:17,190 --> 00:23:14,400

that system we know it's going to get

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00:23:20,070 --> 00:23:17,200

the same you know ballpark radiation

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00:23:20,950 --> 00:23:20,080

from its parent star as we get from the

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00:23:23,350 --> 00:23:20,960

sun

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00:23:25,750 --> 00:23:23,360

in our earth moon system

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00:23:28,789 --> 00:23:25,760

and this will impact whether there is

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00:23:29,990 --> 00:23:28,799

any sort of habitability in this region

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00:23:32,149 --> 00:23:30,000

at the very least it will be very

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00:23:33,909 --> 00:23:32,159

interesting to study so i'm just

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00:23:36,470 --> 00:23:33,919

we keep talking about future telescopes

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00:23:38,950 --> 00:23:36,480

but i'm i'm very keen about this

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00:23:41,909 --> 00:23:38,960

direction of astronomy because we are

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00:23:44,549 --> 00:23:41,919

using the telescopes we have like hubble

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00:23:46,310 --> 00:23:44,559

and soon tests to learn what we can but

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00:23:48,070 --> 00:23:46,320

future telescopes like the james webb

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00:23:50,230 --> 00:23:48,080

space telescope

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00:23:52,870 --> 00:23:50,240

are going to be able to give us more

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00:23:55,990 --> 00:23:52,880

details about the nature of

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00:23:57,669 --> 00:23:56,000

this exoplanet system and others

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00:23:59,830 --> 00:23:57,679

and the environments around them and

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00:24:01,590 --> 00:23:59,840

what their moons might be like in terms

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00:24:03,430 --> 00:24:01,600

of their interactions with magnetic

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00:24:04,950 --> 00:24:03,440

fields with radiation

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00:24:07,110 --> 00:24:04,960

temperatures

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00:24:09,669 --> 00:24:07,120

all kinds of things so this is just the

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00:24:12,070 --> 00:24:09,679

beginning of our investigation into this

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00:24:14,549 --> 00:24:12,080

whole type of object

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00:24:15,510 --> 00:24:14,559

it's a new science

651
00:24:16,470 --> 00:24:15,520
so

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00:24:20,630 --> 00:24:16,480
this is

653
00:24:23,269 --> 00:24:20,640
may be a little bit difficult uh

654
00:24:24,789 --> 00:24:23,279
is it possible that this moon could have

655
00:24:27,029 --> 00:24:24,799
its own moons

656
00:24:30,630 --> 00:24:27,039
oh that is a great question

657
00:24:32,390 --> 00:24:30,640
and a difficult one um well first it i

658
00:24:34,549 --> 00:24:32,400
mean i'll say anything's possible you

659
00:24:36,950 --> 00:24:34,559
know as we've been discovering all kinds

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00:24:39,909 --> 00:24:36,960
of exoplanets first of all things that

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00:24:41,669 --> 00:24:39,919
we didn't know could exist um that orbit

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00:24:43,510 --> 00:24:41,679
so close to their star that you know

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00:24:45,510 --> 00:24:43,520

they orbit within one day compared to

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00:24:47,430 --> 00:24:45,520

our one-year orbit so things like this

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00:24:48,549 --> 00:24:47,440

that we'd never even dreamed of

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00:24:51,590 --> 00:24:48,559

so

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00:24:54,149 --> 00:24:51,600

an an exo moon having its own moons is

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00:24:56,549 --> 00:24:54,159

possible especially when

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00:24:58,390 --> 00:24:56,559

this moon is so massive that maybe it

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00:25:00,789 --> 00:24:58,400

could what we call you know use its

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00:25:01,990 --> 00:25:00,799

gravity to capture other smaller bodies

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00:25:04,310 --> 00:25:02,000

around it

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00:25:06,870 --> 00:25:04,320

like mars has two very tiny moons

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00:25:09,430 --> 00:25:06,880

relatively speaking compared to our moon

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00:25:11,430 --> 00:25:09,440

so maybe there's some very tiny moons

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00:25:13,669 --> 00:25:11,440
that have been captured by this moon and

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00:25:15,350 --> 00:25:13,679
are orbiting but we just don't have the

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00:25:18,149 --> 00:25:15,360
right instruments to be able to detect

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00:25:20,710 --> 00:25:18,159
them right now um and yeah but it's

680
00:25:22,470 --> 00:25:20,720
definitely uh possible

681
00:25:23,269 --> 00:25:22,480
that could be cool

682
00:25:24,870 --> 00:25:23,279
so

683
00:25:26,070 --> 00:25:24,880
we've been talking about hubble and

684
00:25:28,070 --> 00:25:26,080
we've been talking about nasa's

685
00:25:29,830 --> 00:25:28,080
anniversary and

686
00:25:31,909 --> 00:25:29,840
so nasa's been around for 60 years and

687
00:25:34,390 --> 00:25:31,919
hubble's been around for almost half

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00:25:36,630 --> 00:25:34,400

that time how's our telescope doing

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00:25:38,630 --> 00:25:36,640

well we're excited about hubble so as

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00:25:40,390 --> 00:25:38,640

you say hubble's been around almost half

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00:25:43,269 --> 00:25:40,400

the time that nasa's been around and we

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00:25:46,230 --> 00:25:43,279

just celebrated hubble's 28th

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00:25:47,909 --> 00:25:46,240

birthday um earlier this year

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00:25:50,310 --> 00:25:47,919

hubble's been working well because we

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00:25:52,549 --> 00:25:50,320

have this terrific crew of people on the

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00:25:54,549 --> 00:25:52,559

ground that are keeping it

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00:25:57,029 --> 00:25:54,559

strong scientifically working and we've

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00:25:58,070 --> 00:25:57,039

had several crews of astronauts over the

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00:26:00,310 --> 00:25:58,080

years

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00:26:02,149 --> 00:26:00,320

coming back to

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00:26:04,310 --> 00:26:02,159
upgrade the telescope and service it

702
00:26:06,710 --> 00:26:04,320
keeping it in tip-top shape so

703
00:26:08,789 --> 00:26:06,720
hubble is in great shape we're getting

704
00:26:11,430 --> 00:26:08,799
some of the best science out of it now

705
00:26:13,350 --> 00:26:11,440
than ever before in its history we're

706
00:26:15,190 --> 00:26:13,360
learning not only about the atmospheres

707
00:26:17,190 --> 00:26:15,200
of some exoplanets but we're also

708
00:26:18,950 --> 00:26:17,200
learning about star systems other

709
00:26:20,789 --> 00:26:18,960
galaxies even the whole universe the

710
00:26:22,390 --> 00:26:20,799
history of the universe and we

711
00:26:24,870 --> 00:26:22,400
anticipate getting good science from

712
00:26:27,269 --> 00:26:24,880
hubble for quite a few years to come

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00:26:29,190 --> 00:26:27,279

in fact we are hoping that we overlap

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00:26:31,750 --> 00:26:29,200

with the james webb space telescope

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00:26:33,669 --> 00:26:31,760

which will launch in 2021

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00:26:35,029 --> 00:26:33,679

and overlap with that telescope for

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00:26:36,870 --> 00:26:35,039

several years because these

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00:26:38,710 --> 00:26:36,880

complementary observatories are going to

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give us terrific science they're going

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00:26:44,310 --> 00:26:42,000

to cover the wavelength range of light

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00:26:46,390 --> 00:26:44,320

from mid infrared all the way through

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00:26:47,909 --> 00:26:46,400

the visible colors that our eyes can see

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00:26:50,710 --> 00:26:47,919

and on into the higher energy

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00:26:52,470 --> 00:26:50,720

ultraviolet light this gives us a great

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00:26:54,950 --> 00:26:52,480

deal of information about whatever we're

726
00:26:55,750 --> 00:26:54,960
studying whether it's exoplanets

727
00:26:58,390 --> 00:26:55,760
or

728
00:26:59,990 --> 00:26:58,400
planets planets in our own solar system

729
00:27:02,390 --> 00:27:00,000
and and of course other stars and

730
00:27:04,230 --> 00:27:02,400
galaxies and we complement other

731
00:27:06,390 --> 00:27:04,240
missions you know hubble is being used

732
00:27:08,789 --> 00:27:06,400
to complement the information that we're

733
00:27:10,630 --> 00:27:08,799
getting from probes that we're sending

734
00:27:12,870 --> 00:27:10,640
within our own solar system for example

735
00:27:14,470 --> 00:27:12,880
the juno probe studying

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00:27:15,990 --> 00:27:14,480
jupiter in our own solar system is

737
00:27:17,669 --> 00:27:16,000
sending back information that we're

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00:27:20,549 --> 00:27:17,679

correlating with observations from

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00:27:22,870 --> 00:27:20,559

hubble we're using we've used it along

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00:27:24,870 --> 00:27:22,880

with new horizons to study

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00:27:26,950 --> 00:27:24,880

pluto we're using it with other missions

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00:27:29,909 --> 00:27:26,960

to study things outside of our solar

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00:27:31,990 --> 00:27:29,919

system and in in in the deep universe

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00:27:33,510 --> 00:27:32,000

so i think hubble is in great shape and

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00:27:35,190 --> 00:27:33,520

will be for quite a few years to come

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00:27:37,510 --> 00:27:35,200

and that makes me very happy that makes

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00:27:40,070 --> 00:27:37,520

me very happy but unfortunately this is

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00:27:41,669 --> 00:27:40,080

the end of the show um

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00:27:44,149 --> 00:27:41,679

if you want to know more about hubble or

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00:27:46,389 --> 00:27:44,159

about this exo moon you can go to our

751
00:27:47,909 --> 00:27:46,399
website nas.gov hubble we got a bunch of

752
00:27:50,630 --> 00:27:47,919
great new products up there we've got an

753
00:27:52,630 --> 00:27:50,640
interactive timeline that you can see

754
00:27:54,789 --> 00:27:52,640
hubble milestones you can check out a

755
00:27:56,470 --> 00:27:54,799
360 tour of our space telescope

756
00:27:58,230 --> 00:27:56,480
operations control room you can see

757
00:28:00,630 --> 00:27:58,240
where all the action happens and we've

758
00:28:02,870 --> 00:28:00,640
uploaded hours of hubble historical

759
00:28:04,950 --> 00:28:02,880
video for you to check out so head to

760
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nasa.gov hubble or you can find us on

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social media at nasa hubble and