

SPIRou @ CFHT

exploring nearby habitable worlds

an international project for pioneering science France, Canada, CFHT, Brazil, Taiwan, Switzerland & Portugal

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magnetic fields of M dwarfs

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- formation / migration / survival of giant planets
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SPIRou @ CFHT additional science goals





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nIR bonus in instrument sensitivity

3+ mag gain in velocimetry vs HARPS for M dwarfs

outperform ESPRESSO@VLT for M dwarfs

5+ mag gain in spectropolarimetry vs ESPaDOnS for M dwarfs & TTSs

➡ I0x more efficient than CRIRES+@VLT

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SPIRou clones & complementary surveys

SPIRou-S in southern hemisphere funded by Canada / CFI (2018)
SPIP @ 2m TBL (Pic du Midi) funded by Région Midi Pyrénées (2019)
improved synergies with TESS, JWST, ALMA, PLATO (2024) & E-ELT (2025+)



News & Discoveries

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2015 June : SPIRou parabolic mirror in construction

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The Zerodur blank of the main SPIRou parabolic mirror is being controlled at SESO



Observations



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