

COVER IMAGES

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Our cover images for this issue reference the far future, as envisaged by participants in the i4is Project Hyperion worldship competition, and the possibility of reaching an interstellar object in the Solar System in the near future.

FRONT COVER

Chrysalis Worldship



"Generation Spaceship Chrysalis" first place in i4is Project Hyperion competition. More from the Chrysalis team at tinyurl.com/Chrysalis-team-submission [1]. Image credit: Chrysalis team

BACK COVER

Project Lyra spacecraft approaches 1I/'Oumuamua



Now far from the Sun in the outer solar system, the strange interstellar object known as 'Oumuamua is depicted here as it's approached by a questing spacecraft. Project Lyra is still aiming to launch such a craft to explore our first known visitor from another solar system and provide the detailed study scientists desperately seek. Our astrodynamacist, Adam Hibberd, calculates this will remain possible well into the 2030s. Image credit: Maciej Rebisz

[1] www.canva.com/design/DAGmr3ubC8E/LHHAeeAIGGQe_TkZVs-PXA/view?utm_content=DAGmr3ubC8E&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=uniquelinks&utlId=hcfa85973cc