

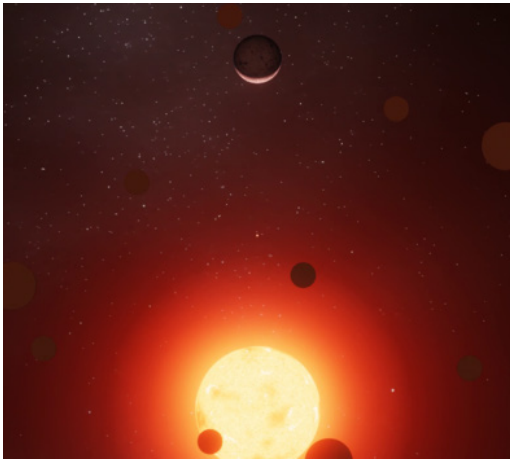
COVER IMAGES

Cover images for this Issue 52

Our cover images for this issue showcase the concept of a flyby of Proxima Centauri b and a spectacularly detailed image of our latest interstellar visitor, 3I/ATLAS.

FRONT COVER

The Swarming of Proxima Centauri b

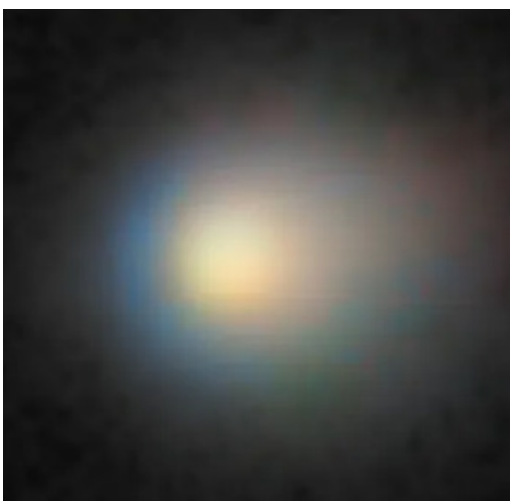


From our article on The Interstellar Coracle at the NASA's Innovative Advanced Concepts (NIAC) Symposium in Pasadena (see Principium issue 49, page 27 <https://i4is.org/principium-49/>). The Swarm approaches Proxima's planet b.

Image credit: Dr Mark Garlick,
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BACK COVER

Interstellar comet 3I/ATLAS



The Gemini North Telescope in Hawaii, using its Gemini Multi-Object Spectrograph (GMOS-N), captured detailed, high-resolution images and spectra of the interstellar comet 3I/ATLAS in late 2025.

Credit: International Gemini Observatory/NOIRLab/NSF/AURA/K. Meech (IfA/U. Hawaii).
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