

“L’homme n’est qu’un roseau, le plus faible de la nature; mais c’est un roseau pensant. Il ne faut pas que l’univers entier s’arme pour l’écraser : une vapeur, une goutte d’eau suffit pour le tuer. Mais quand l’univers l’écraserait, l’homme serait encore plus noble que ce qui le tue, parce qu’il sait qu’il meurt, et l’avantage que l’univers a sur lui, l’univers n’en sait rien”. Blaise Pascal, Pensées (1670)

Omaggio a «Earthrise»





**“Earthrise”, Apollo 8,
24 December 1968, foto di B. Anders, NASA**



“Blue Marble”, Apollo 17, 7 December 1972, foto NASA



**La consapevolezza della Terra
come «Sistema»:
dalla somma di componenti
a una rete di interazioni e
retroazioni**



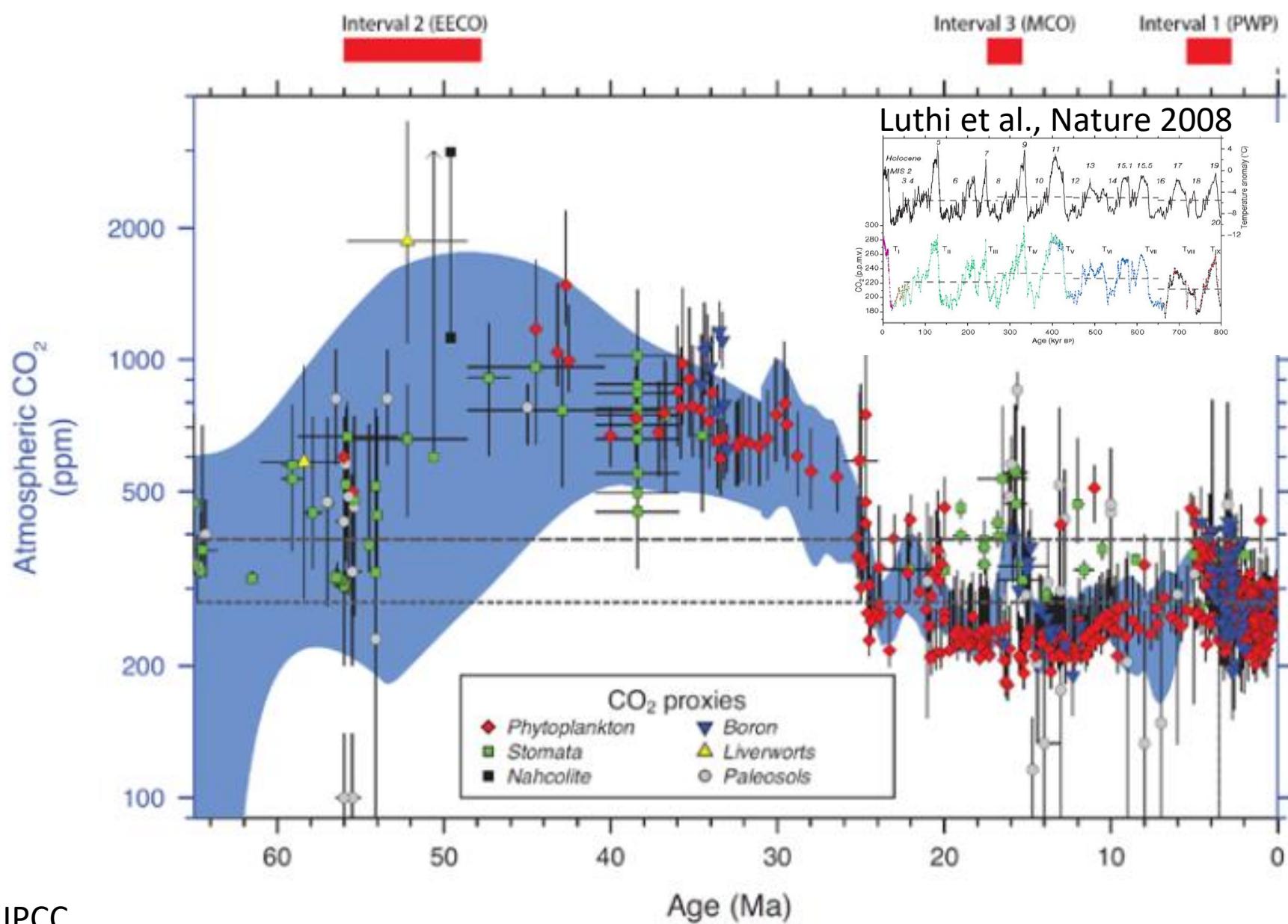
L'esplorazione delle
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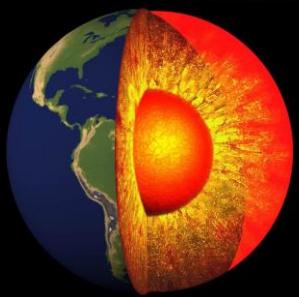
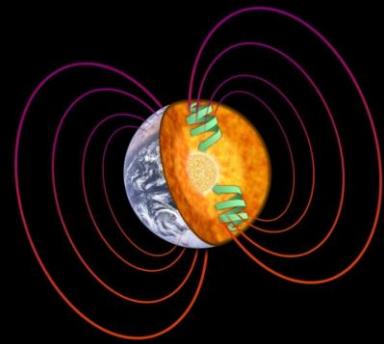


Come funziona il clima di un pianeta roccioso?

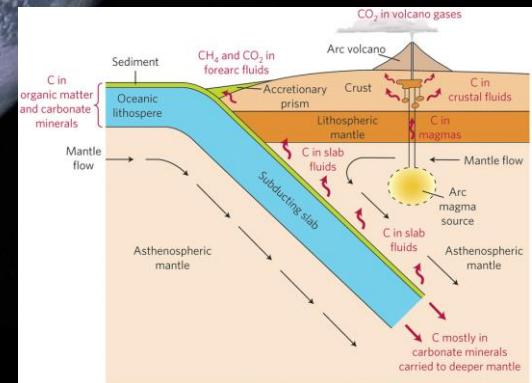


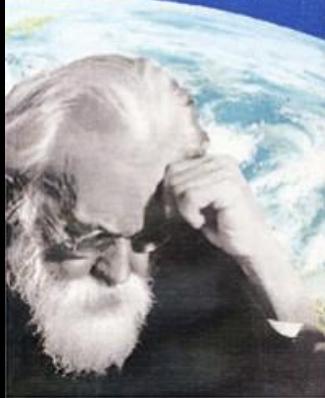
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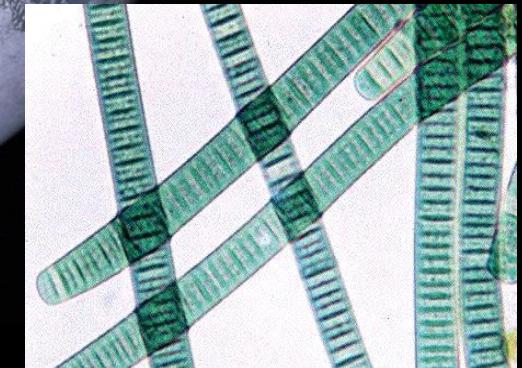
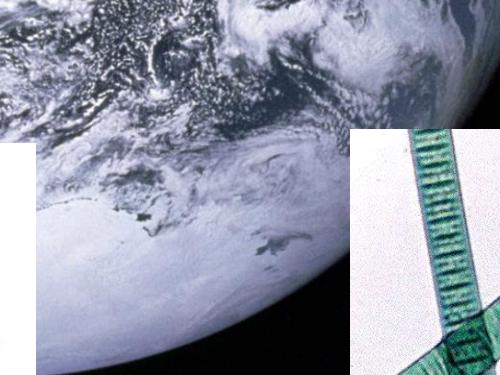
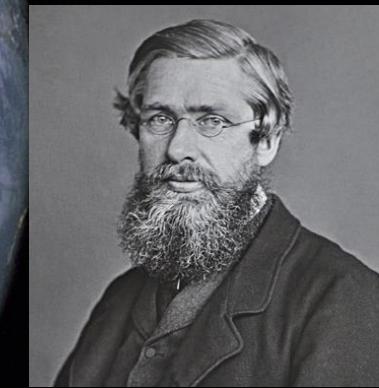


Come funziona l'interno di un pianeta roccioso?



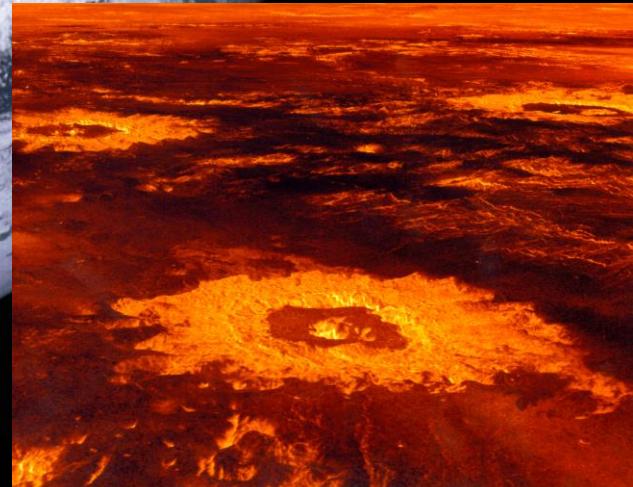
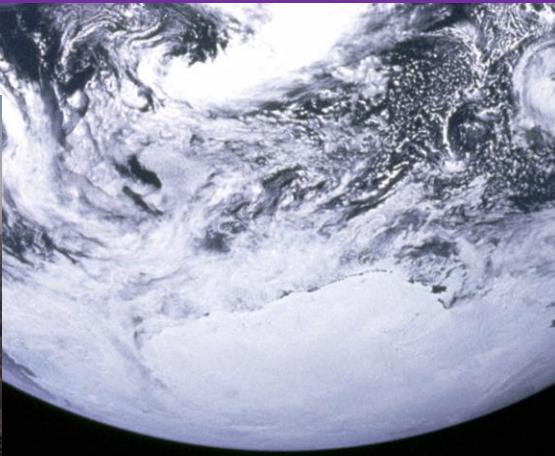
A large satellite image of Earth, showing the planet's curvature, clouds, and landmasses against a dark background.

Quale ruolo giocano gli organismi viventi nella dinamica planetaria?

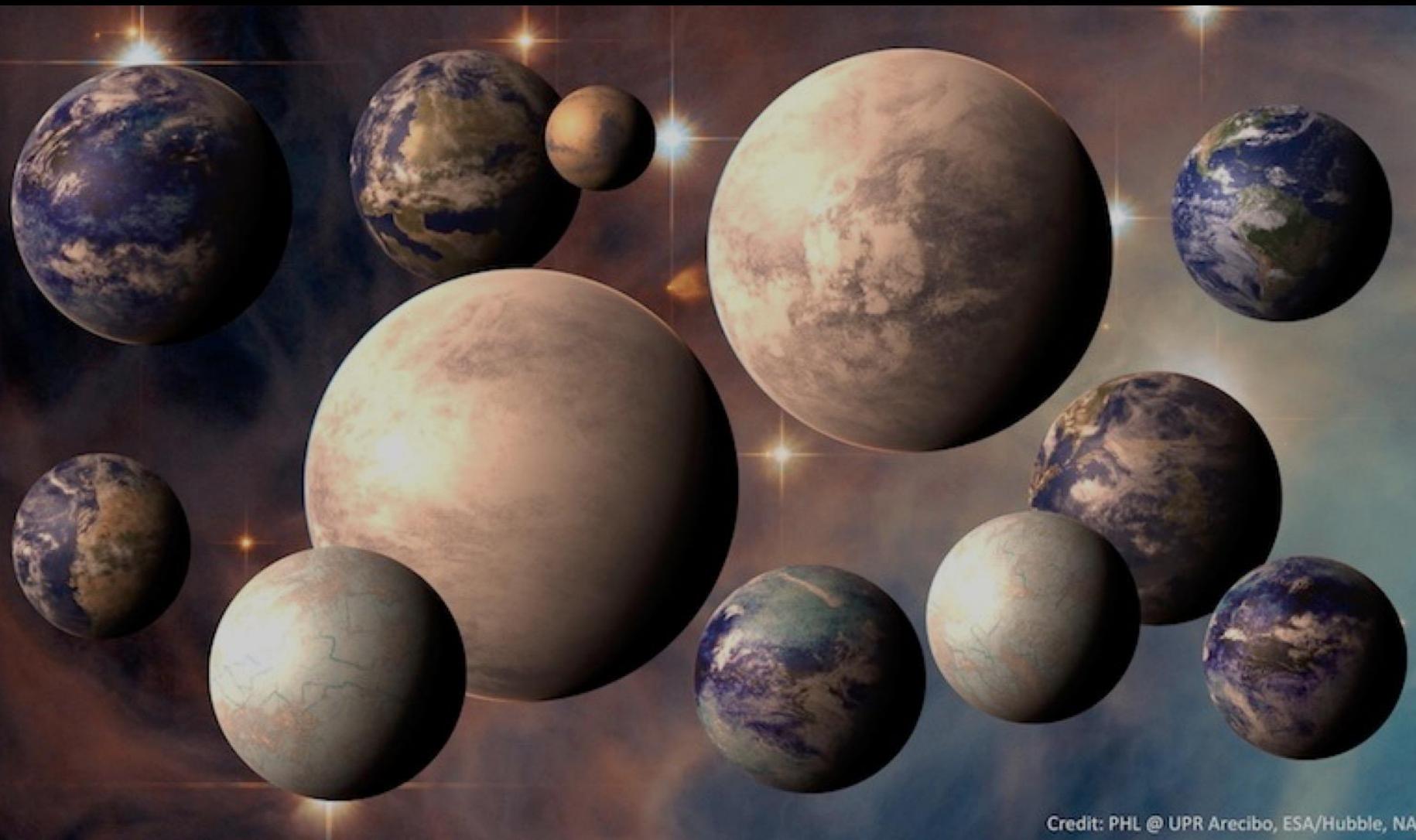




Che cosa rende abitabile Sol 3?



Ma esiste un “infinito numero” di pianeti...



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e siamo all'inizio di una rivoluzione concettuale



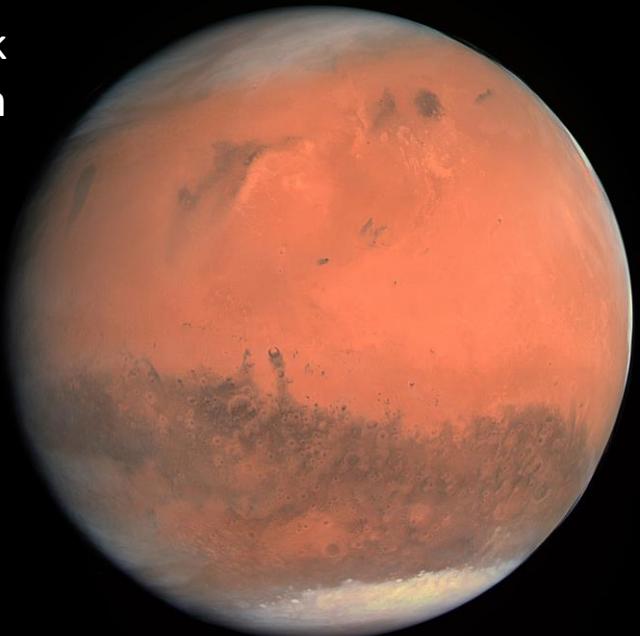
NASA's Magellan spacecraft

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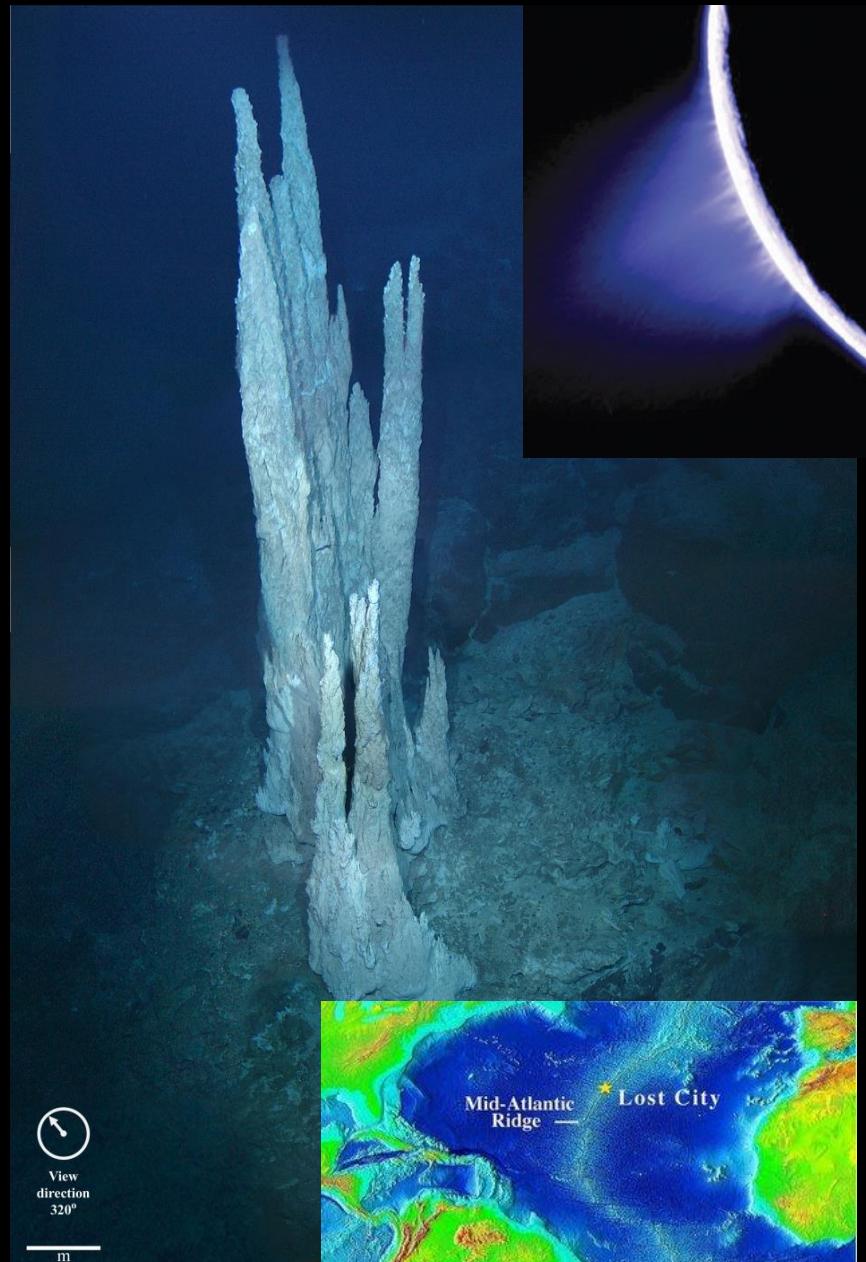
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Perché la Terra è
l'unico pianeta noto
con tettonica
a placche attiva?



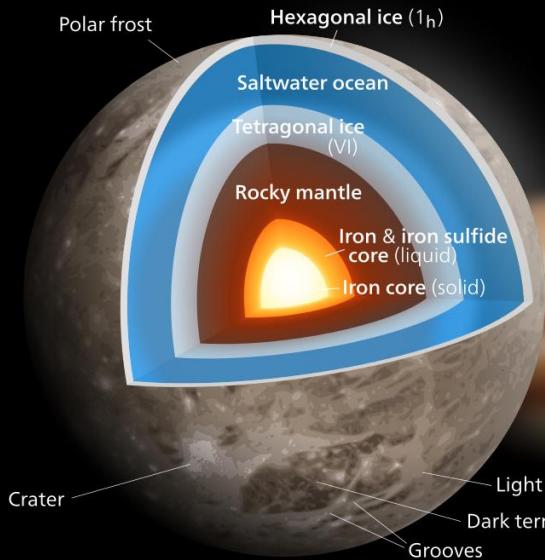


Come interagiscono il ciclo del carbonio “geologico”, “biologico” e “antropico”?



<https://www.nasa.gov/content/the-lost-city-formation/>
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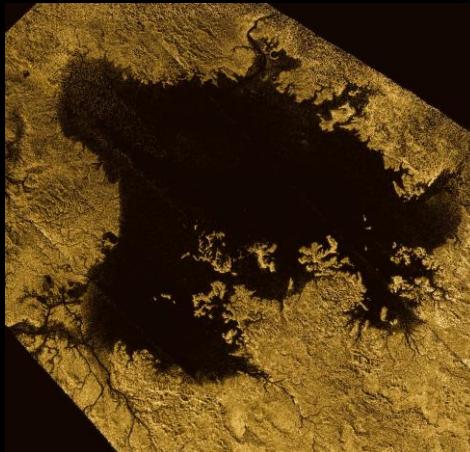
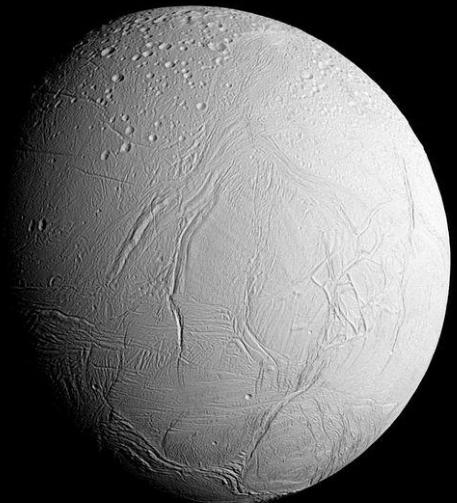
Mondi di ghiaccio e acqua



Ganymede
layers drawn to scale



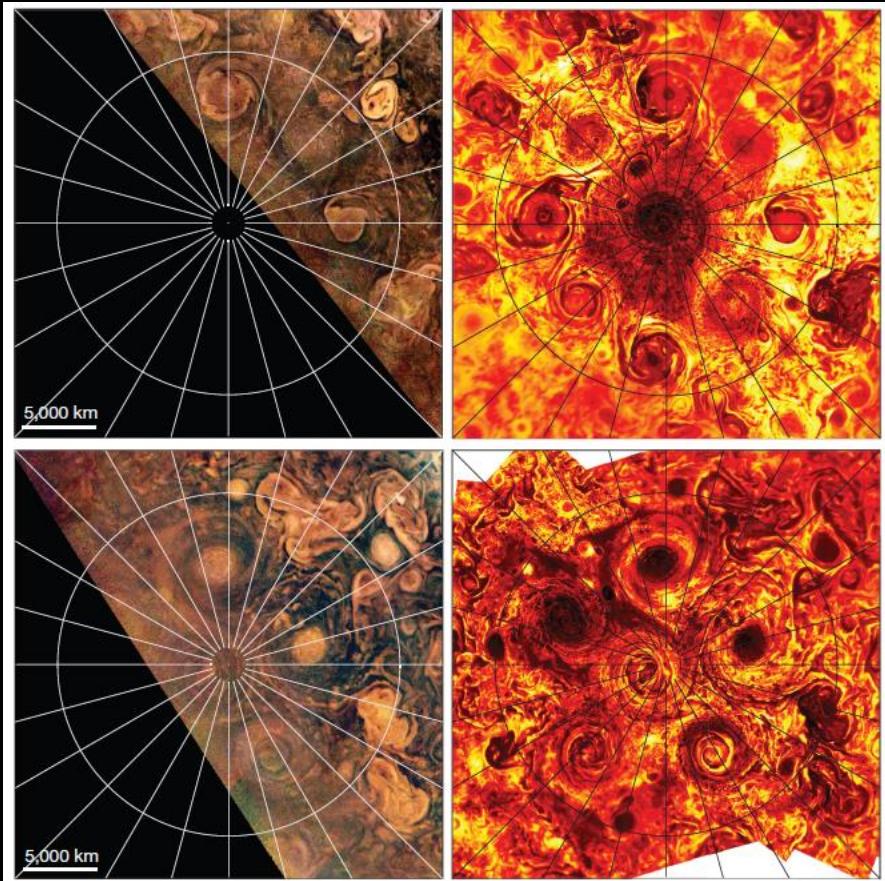
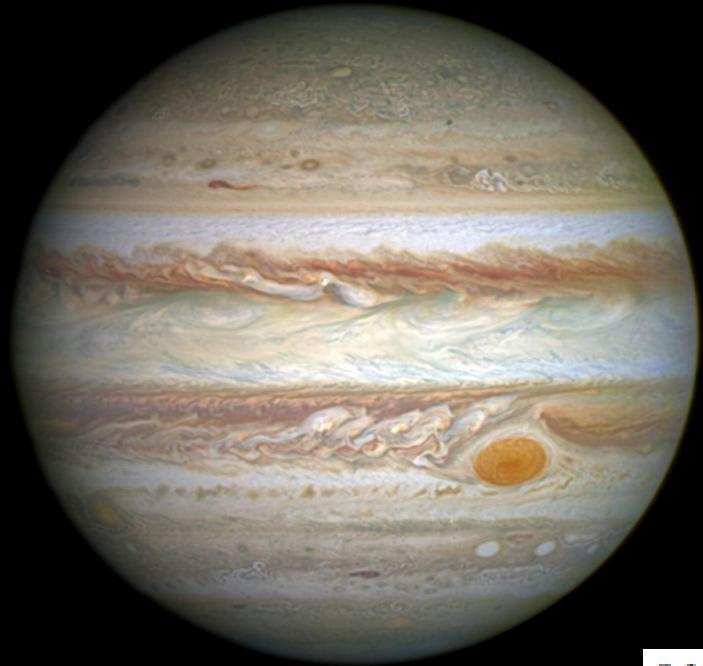
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Clusters of cyclones encircling Jupiter's poles

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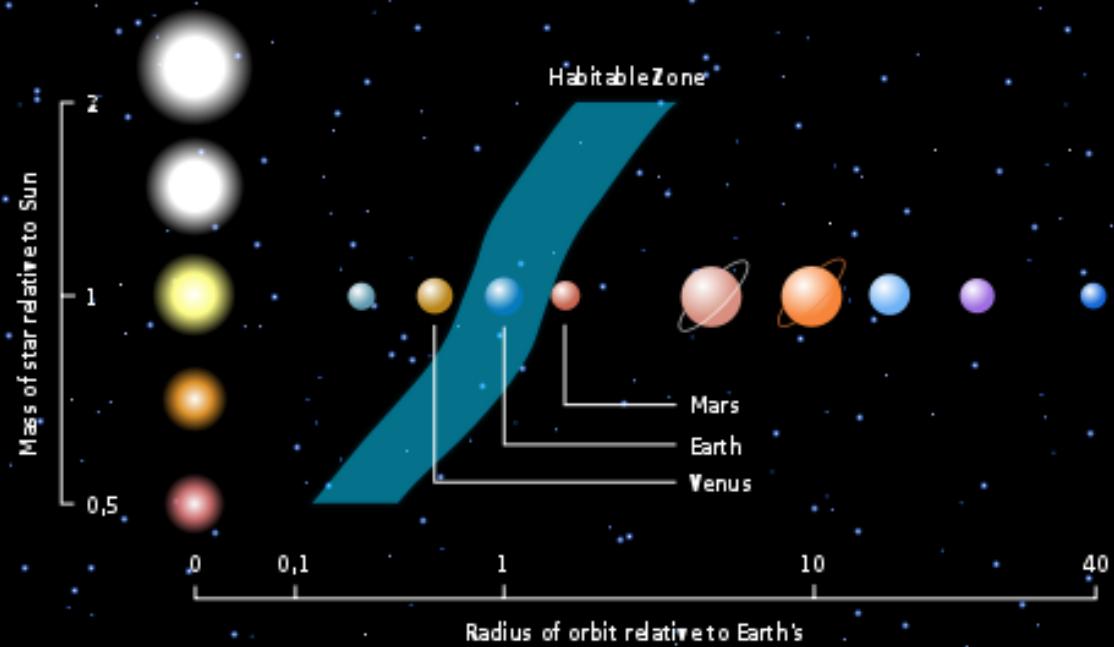
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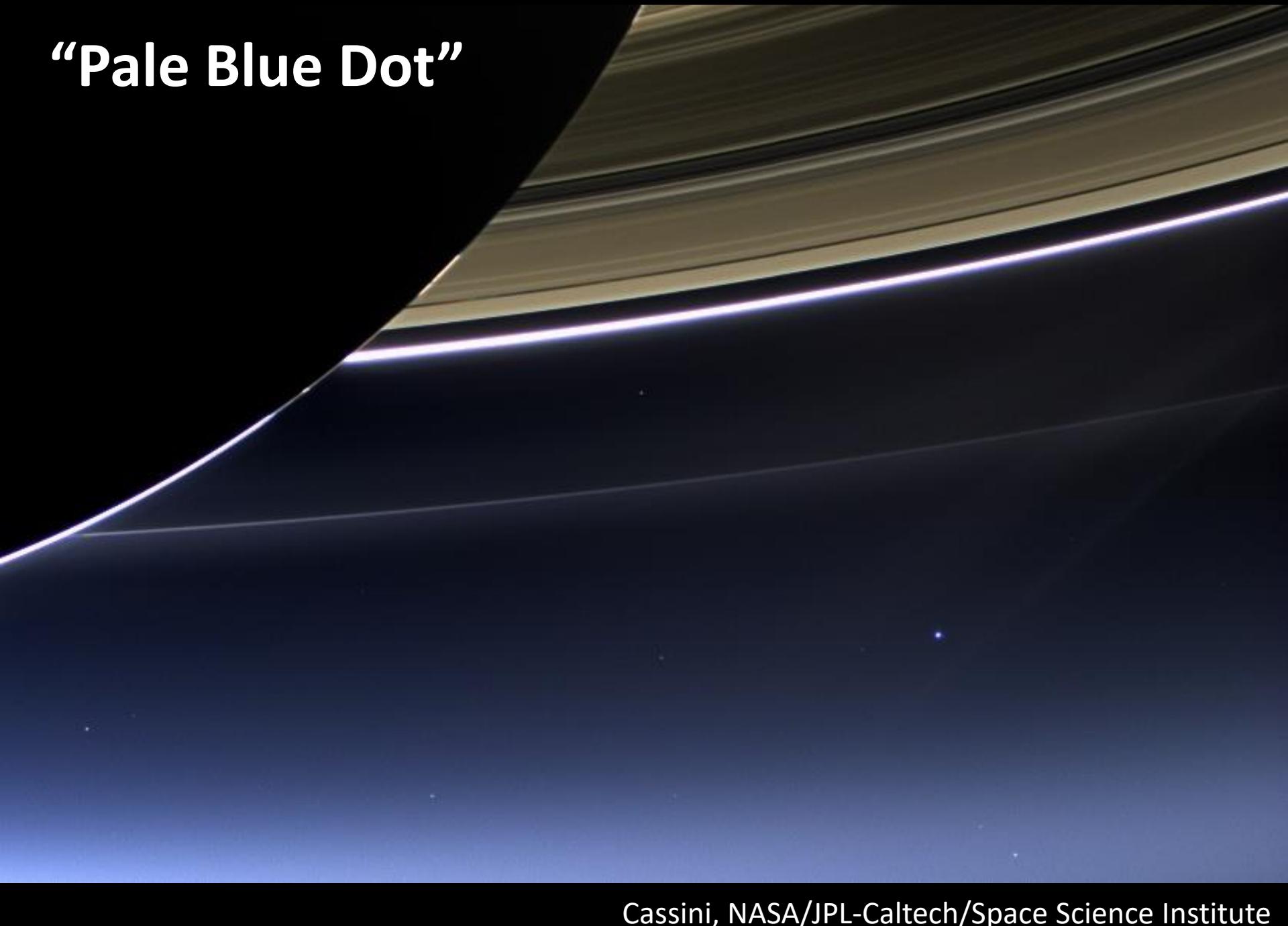
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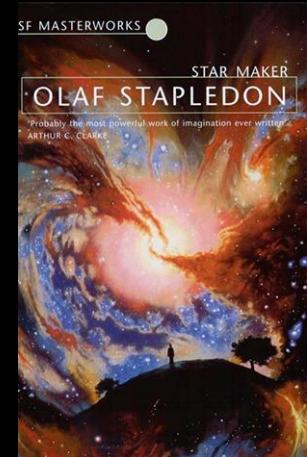


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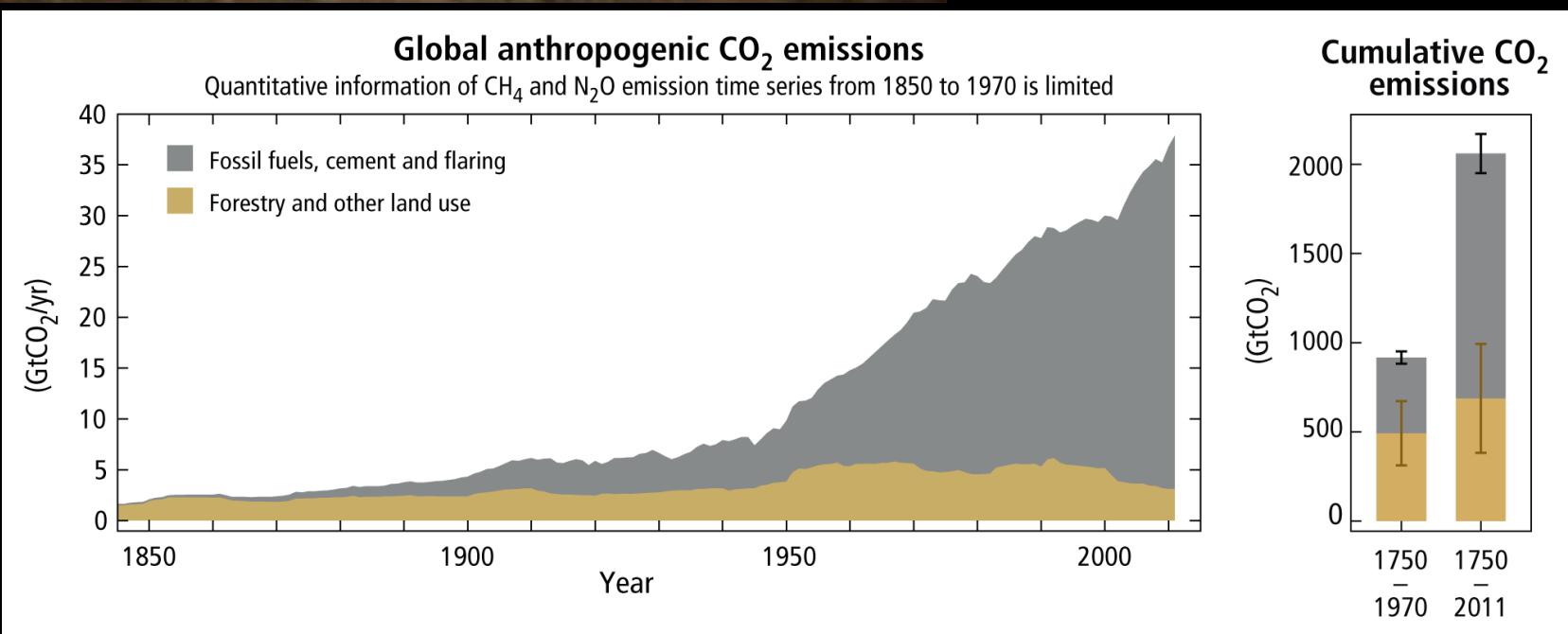


But: there is no “planet b”

Ritorno alle Terra e alla «scimmia nuda»



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