

**Opportunity Title:** Chemistry of Planetary and Exoplanetary Atmospheres

**Opportunity Reference Code:** 0020-NPP-MAR26-JPL-PlanetSci

**Organization** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

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1. Research proposal
2. Three letters of recommendation
3. Official doctoral transcript documents

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**Description:**

The postdoctoral researcher will develop novel instrument techniques based on IR heterodyne remote sensing, nano-photonics, and photonic integrated circuits. Our objective is to enable new measurement capabilities for studying planetary chemistry, habitability, astrobiology, and climate evolution.

In addition, researchers in exoplanetary science are strongly encouraged to apply as well. We are developing a coupled ocean-rock-atmosphere chemistry model for extrasolar planets, and welcome applicants to conduct research in habitability evolution and biosignatures for exoplanets.

**Location:**

Jet Propulsion Laboratory  
Pasadena, California

**Field of Science:** Planetary Science

**Advisors:**

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Eligibility is currently open to:

- U.S. Citizens;
- U.S. Lawful Permanent Residents (LPR);
- Foreign Nationals eligible for an Exchange Visitor J-1 visa status; and,
- Applicants for LPR, asylees, or refugees in the U.S. at the time of application with 1) a valid EAD card and 2) I-485 or I-589 forms in pending status

**Questions about this opportunity?** Please email [npp@orau.org](mailto:npp@orau.org)

**Point of Contact** [Mikeala](#)

**Eligibility Requirements** • **Degree:** Doctoral Degree.