



# ALADIN

## Aladin and the planets

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# □ Why in Aladin?

- Aladin sky facilities easily re-usable for planets (background map + graphical overlays)  
=> **as a regular GIS** (Geographic Information System)
- **HiPS** is dedicated to **spherical maps**... and a planet is spheric (better than cartesian GIS tool projection)
- **Europlanet VESPA** project CDS participation
- VESPA project is deploying IVOA **adapted protocols** (TAP EPN-CORE...)  
=> Aladin is already **IVOA protocol ready**
- And it works ! (see live demo in a few minutes)

Data access Location **09:08:48.87 -04:31:47.9** Frame **ICRS** Projection **Spheric**

DSS 
  SDSS 
  2MASS 
  WISE 
  GALEX 
  PLANCK 
  AKARI 
  XMM 
  Fermi 
  Gaia 
  Simbad 
  NED 
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Collections → 19495

- Image → 301
- Data base → 2
  - SIMBAD Astronomical
  - The NASA/IPAC Extragalactic Database
- Catalog → 17076
- Cube → 6
- Outreach → 1
- Unsupervised → 2101
- Local → 8
  - Planet → 8
    - Earth → 1
    - Jupiter → 3
    - Venus → 1
    - Pluto → 1
    - Mars → 2
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**CDS/P/Mars/THEMIS\_color**  
 Localisation approximative à partir des coordonnées d'atterrissage de Curiosity

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 Sulfates  
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 Failles colmatées  
 Cratères récents  
 Roches stratifiées  
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 93.42° x 149.2°

# □ What is useful for planets ?

- **Map display** (HiPS) + **graphical overlays** (catalog + graphical tags)
- **Data discovery tree** for planetary services
- Planetary coverage by **MOC**
- Manual positional **calibration** of planetary images/cubes
- ...

# □ A few Aladin adaptations

- **Longitude** inversion (just for display)
  - The sky is visible inside the celestial sphere, contrary to the planets where the observer is outside
- Coordinate **syntax**
  - Decimal, sexagesimal, cardinal specification (NSEW) rather than negative values...
- **EPN-core** support
  - Coordinates extraction from box location
  - FOV interpretation
  - Link to additional resources

# □ A few HiPS adaptations

- VESPA action to **convert PDS images into FITS** (Chiara Marmo)
- **Hipsgen** extensions:
  - Able to process **one file colored CAR map** + optional 2 pole images (without additional WCS solution)
  - Usage of « ImageMagik » to prepare (split) huge TIFF maps
- The results:
  - Generation of **~50 HiPS for all planets and satellites** at the best public resolution (ex:THEMIS mars 100m/pixel). Thanks to USGS Astrogeology Science Center , University of Arizona, JPL.
  - **Distributed in the HiPS network** by CDS HiPS nodes & Paris Observatory HiPS node

# □ The live demo...

*Please do not load the net for  
the next 5 minutes...thanks*

*Download Mars CAR map  
Generate HiPS  
Display in Aladin  
TAP-EPNcore query for Mars craters  
Generation of MOC for these craters  
Query by this MOC*



# □ What is still missing ?

- **Reference system label** associated to the body/sky
  - To avoid to project stars over the Moon, or Mars craters in the sky...
  - To use in HiPS properties, in STC, in COOSYS, in MOC, ...
- Data tree **categories** for planetary data
  - Not so easy to separate planets resources and sky resources
- IVOA **Datalink in EPN-core** (presently an Earth GIS XML convention not usable by Aladin, and probably not so well adapted to planetary context)
- **EPN-core 2**
  - lon,lat dedicated columns (not a box/cube please)





## Available in Aladin Beta

<http://aladin.u-strasbg.fr/java/AladinBeta.jnlp>

**Thanks – Question ?**