

# Current BL Observing plan for TESS targets



## Automated Planet Finder

Lick Observatory, Mt. Hamilton, California, USA

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With a 2.4-meter primary mirror and a high resolution optical spectrograph capable of a resolution of 100,000, we will observe TESS identified planet-host stars (*hereafter*: TESS targets).

Such spectra can be searched for narrow, artificial, emission in the form of laser lines. TESS targets will make up primary observing list over the next few years.



## Allen Telescope Array

Hat Creek Radio Observatory, California, USA

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With its 42 6.1-meter antennas equipped with an extremely wide-band feed, the ATA allows us to observe TESS test targets over a frequency range of 1.0 to 11 GHz. The full control of the telescope enables flexible scheduling and target selection. We plan to beamform on TESS targets of interest to provide maximum sensitivity for high time-cadence observations.



## Five Hundred Meter Aperture Spherical Telescope

Guizhou Province, China

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One of the largest single dish (~ 500-m) radio telescopes in the world. Receivers with frequency coverage from 70 MHz to 3 GHz.

Plan to observe 16 TESS targets with around 30 minutes per star (10 hours total including overhead).

EIRP sensitivity  $\sim 10^{11}$  W towards the TESS targets (with medium distance of 200 light-years).



## Green Bank Telescope

West Virginia, USA

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One of the most sensitive telescopes in the world.

100-meter diameter fully steerable antenna.

Capability to conduct observation up to 100 GHz.

BL instrument: 64 GPU nodes | 6.2 PB storage

Program to followup TESS targets with 200 hours of dedicated observations.



### **Keck Observatory**

Maunakea, Hawaii, USA

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The 10-meter Keck I Telescope houses HIRES, a high resolution spectrometer which collects optical spectra capable of detecting narrow emission features from artificial sources. Archived spectra taken in support of the TESS mission will be searched for laser lines.



### **Jodrell Bank Observatory and e-MERLIN array**

Jodrell Bank, United Kingdom

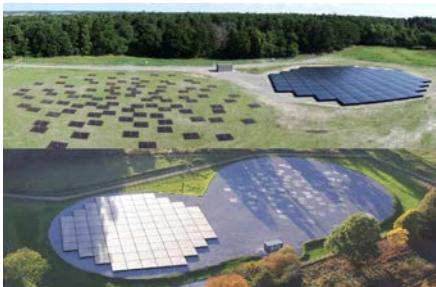
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70-m Lovell Telescope along with six 25-meter e-MERLIN antenna spread across the UK.

Frequency coverage from 150 MHz to 24 GHz.

BL Instrument: 1 head node, 1 GPU node, and 1 storage node.

Program to followup 10 TESS targets with roughly 10 hours of observing time with e-MERLIN.



### **International Low Frequency Array**

Birr Castle, Ireland and Onsala, Sweden

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Receivers: LBA (10 - 90 MHz), HBA (110 - 250 MHz)

96 MHz of instantaneous baseband recording.

BL Instrument: 1 head node, 1 GPU node

Planning to observe 12 TESS targets over three sessions with 3 hours per session (3 weekends).



### **MeerKAT**

Northern Cape Province, South Africa

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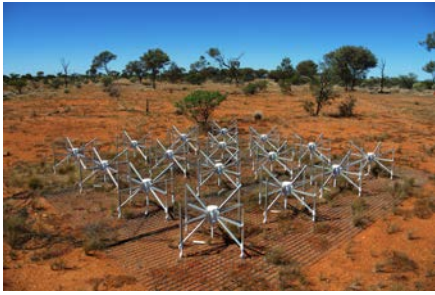
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64-antenna array.

13.5-m effective diameter offset-Gregorian design.

Dual-pol 856 MHz instantaneous bandwidth (L-band).

Planned deployment: 128 GPU nodes, 8 storage nodes.

Commensal beamforming towards TESS targets.



### **Murchison Widefield Array**

Murchison Radio-astronomy observatory, Western Australia

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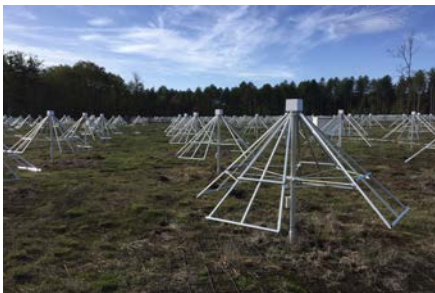
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4096-dipole array (SKA-LOW precursor)

80 – 300 MHz

Extremely radio-quiet site

Large field-of-view allows commensal searches towards TESS targets in the southern sky.



### **NenuFAR Low Frequency Telescope**

Nançay Observatory, France

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10 – 85 MHz

Voltage data capture enabled.

Multicast system allows commensal data capture

SETI program to observe stars with exoplanets (including TESS targets) is accepted as one of the Key Programs for NenuFAR commissioning process.



### **Parkes Observatory**

New South Wales, Australia

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64-meter antenna with newly-installed Ultra-wide-band receiver covering 0.7 – 4 GHz.

BL instrument: 27 GPU Nodes | 3.1 PB Storage

Program to followup TESS targets in the southern sky with 200 hours dedicated observations.



### **Sardinia Radio Telescope**

Sardinia, Italy

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64-m single dish antenna.

Frequency coverage 300 MHz – 26 GHz with new planned receivers to go up to 115 GHz.

BL instrument: 1 head node and 2 GPU nodes.

Around 12 TESS targets will be observed across 18 – 26 GHz.



**VERITAS Cherenkov telescope array**

Fred Lawrence Whipple Observatory, Arizona, USA

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Array of four 12-m imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescopes with  
~100 m separation designed for observations of  $>85$  GeV  $\gamma$ -rays

Fast cameras with ns resolution and  $0.15^\circ$  pixelation

Sensitivity in the 300–600 nm wave band to flashes with  $\sim 1$  photon/m<sup>2</sup>

Dedicated OSETI observations of TESS targets will be conducted by  
March 2020.