Request For Proposals for the NICI Planet Finding Campaign Addendum #5

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Purpose of RFP Addendum #5. Funding for additional NICI filters or coronagraphic masks.

1. As stated in Addendum #4, teams are free to propose using alternative filters or masks for the campaign. The NICI construction budget includes money for a limited number of filters or masks beyond those that have already been purchased (two to six, depending on cost). If a successful campaign team wishes to purchase additional components using this money, they should specify in their proposal what the approximate cost is likely to be. Purchase will be subject to approval by the NICI construction management team. On the other hand, if teams have existing filters, grants, or other resources to purchase NICI components on their own, they should state this in their proposal. Such resources may offer a team a competitive advantage if they make the proposed campaign more scientifically competitive or efficient.