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VISIBLE AND INFRARED HYPERSPECTRAL IMAGING IN THE SOLAR SYSTEM

Abstract

The visible and infrared imaging spectrometers are very powerful instruments to study the solar system bodies aboard the space probes. They have the important capability to be suitable for a very wide interdisciplinary science. Nowadays we have gathered a solid experience on their scientific effectiveness based on the breakthrough results coming from the various past and present space missions. This solid background makes the VIS-IR imaging spectrometers a reference point for a core payload suite of most of the future space mission explorers in our solar system. We will make a point on their achievement and development.