

The image is a high-contrast astronomical photograph of a protoplanetary disk. The background is a deep, dark blue. In the upper right, a bright, white, circular star is visible. A dark, thin ring of dust or gas orbits the star. In the lower center, a larger, more diffuse protoplanetary disk is shown, with a bright, irregular central region and a surrounding ring of dust. The overall appearance is that of a young star system in the process of forming planets.

High-contrast imaging of protoplanetary disks

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