

*AMBER: Instrument description and first astrophysical results*

## EDITORIAL

This issue of A&A proudly features eleven articles describing the first results obtained at ESO with the AMBER focal instrument of the VLT Interferometer, currently the world's largest optical interferometer. These articles illustrate both the potential for scientific breakthrough of spectral resolution when combined with long baseline interferometry and the observational and data processing methods specific to AMBER.

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