

Comet Halley Observed During the ESA Giotto Fly-By

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The major observational results of the detection of the nucleus of Comet Halley will be summarized with some emphasis on the images. A comparison to or context with ground based observations will be discussed. The paradigm set by the first observations of a cometary nucleus should be critically reviewed. The results of the VEGA missions and the recent observations of the nucleus of Comet Borrelly by DS-1 will also be considered.