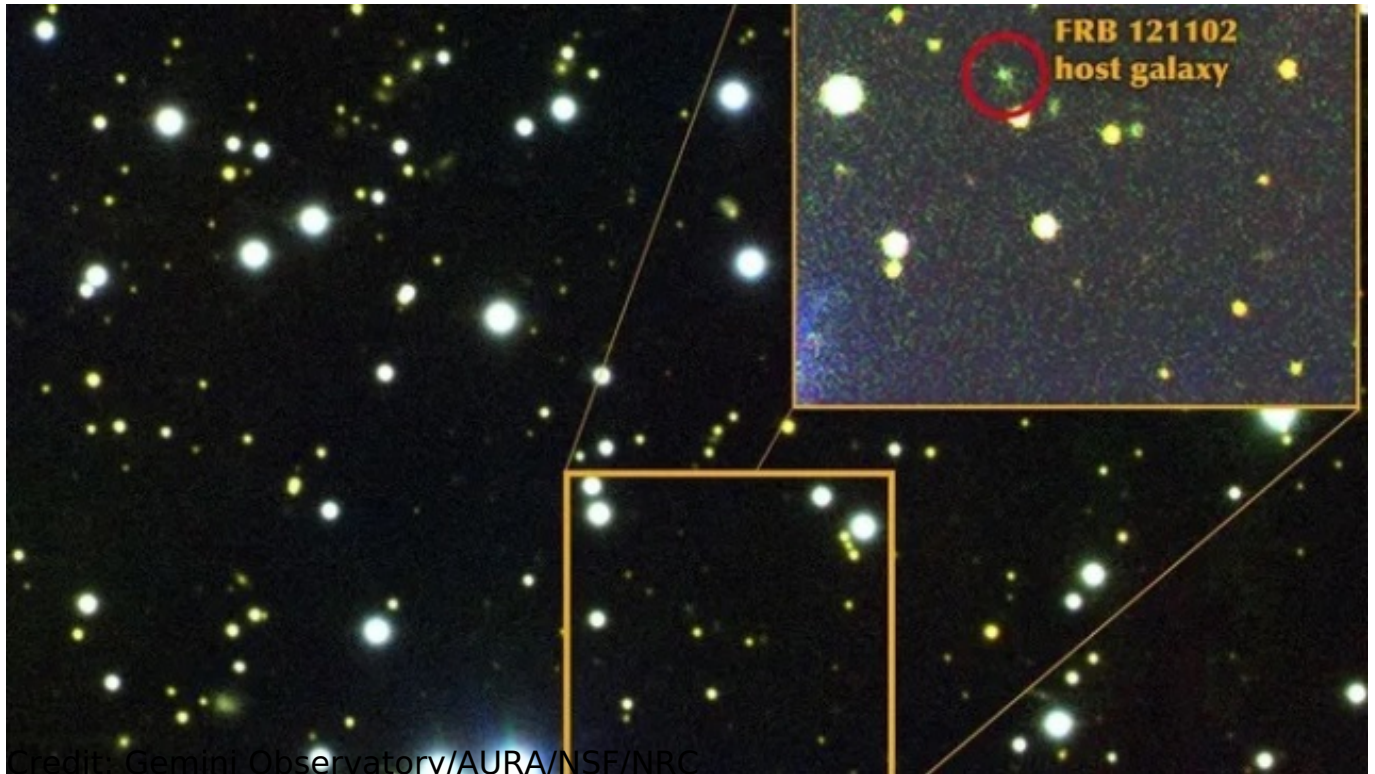


## Alien life?

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Scientists pinpoint galaxy where fast radio bursts originate



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Origin of mysterious radio bursts that some believe point to alien life has been found

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For the first time ever, astronomers have pinpointed the home galaxy where numerous “fast radio bursts” have originated from. The bursts have puzzled scientists since their discovery a decade ago, with at least 18 of the bursts being recorded since 2007.

Interestingly, only one such fast radio burst, discovered in Puerto Rico, has actually repeated itself and now astronomers have confirmed that it comes from a galaxy billions of light-years away.



“By using telescopes from around the world, “we now know that this particular burst comes from a dwarf galaxy more than 3 billion light-years from Earth,” astronomer Shami Chatterjee of Cornell University told USA Today.

The radio bursts are “highly energetic” while lasting just a few thousandths of a second. Many within the UFO research community as well as some mainstream observers believe that the bursts could easily be from alien life.

The USA Today report continued, “Prior to this discovery, astronomers had lacked the definitive proof that the bursts come from far outside our Milky Way galaxy.”

“The dwarf galaxy itself, which is less than 1% of the mass of our Milky Way galaxy, is rather unremarkable. “It is surprising that such an exotic source is hosted by such an unimpressive galaxy,” said Joan Schmelz of the Arecibo Observatory.”

The findings were presented at an American Astronomical Society meeting as well as published in a peer-reviewed journal.

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