



New Planet in our solar system

We may have discovered a new planet on the edge of our solar system. After the discovery of Neptune in 1846 there was speculation that another planet was beyond its orbit. The search began in the mid-19th century for Planet X. Scientists thought that it was there because of the small discrepancies in the orbits of Uranus and Neptune.

The planet is bigger than Earth but not big enough to be a gas giant like Jupiter. It is roughly the size of Neptune but its orbit around the sun takes 15000 years whereas Neptune's orbit takes 165 years in comparison.

Scientists are using the world's biggest telescope in Hawaii and it's likely that scientists will find proof of its existence in the next 5 years. Once we have found it we can welcome it as the 9th planet in our solar system. It is believed that it is 10 times the mass of earth and 1.5 times the size with a thick atmosphere of hydrogen and helium. However, not everyone will believe that it exists until we have photographic evidence of the planet.

