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## Supernova science with the HWO

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While primarily designed for the detection and characterization of exoplanets, the Habitable Worlds Observatory will also provide a transformative platform for time-domain astrophysics, particularly supernova science. Its combination of high-angular-resolution imaging, wide spectral coverage from the UV to near-infrared, and high-throughput spectroscopy will enable key advances in several areas, such as 1) the studies of supernova progenitors in nearby galaxies, 2) the search and discovery of high-redshift peculiar events like pair-instability events and the first stellar explosions, 3) the chemical composition and Fe-peak nucleosynthesis, and finally 4) to explore the synergy with multi-messenger astrophysics.

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