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On the cover

NASA's *Kepler* Telescope ready for launch on a Delta II rocket from Pad 17B, Cape Canaveral Air Force Base; and the launch seen from Cocoa Beach, Florida. (Photos by Hazel McGee).

Top right: The field of view to be observed by *Kepler* overlain on an image of the Milky Way by Carter Roberts of the Eastbay Astronomical Society, Oakland, California. (Courtesy NASA).

