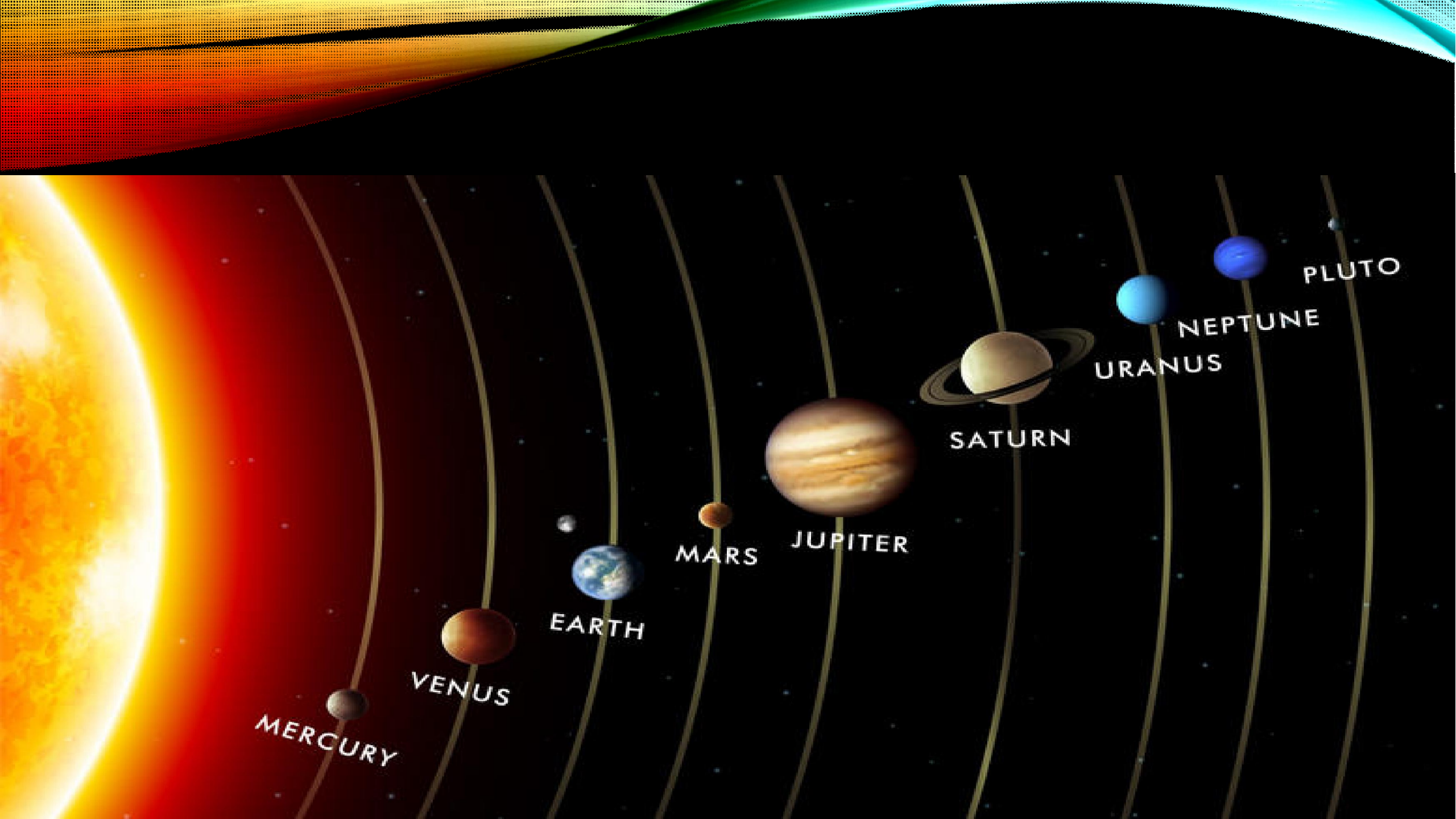




PLANETS

There are 8 recognized planets. They can be divided into 2 groups.



MERCURY

VENUS

EARTH

MARS

JUPITER

SATURN

URANUS

NEPTUNE

PLUTO



INNER PLANETS

- 4 closest to the sun.
- Mercury, Venus, Earth and Mars
- Also called terrestrial planets
- Traits:
 - small, but dense
 - Rocky surface



OUTER PLANETS

- 4 farthest from the sun.
- Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune
- Also called the Jovian planets
- Traits:
 - Large, but not very dense
 - Gaseous surface
 - Atmosphere of hydrogen and helium



TO BE A PLANET

1. Has to be rounded by gravity
2. Has to orbit a star
3. Has to have everything pushed out of its orbit

Which one does Pluto not meet?