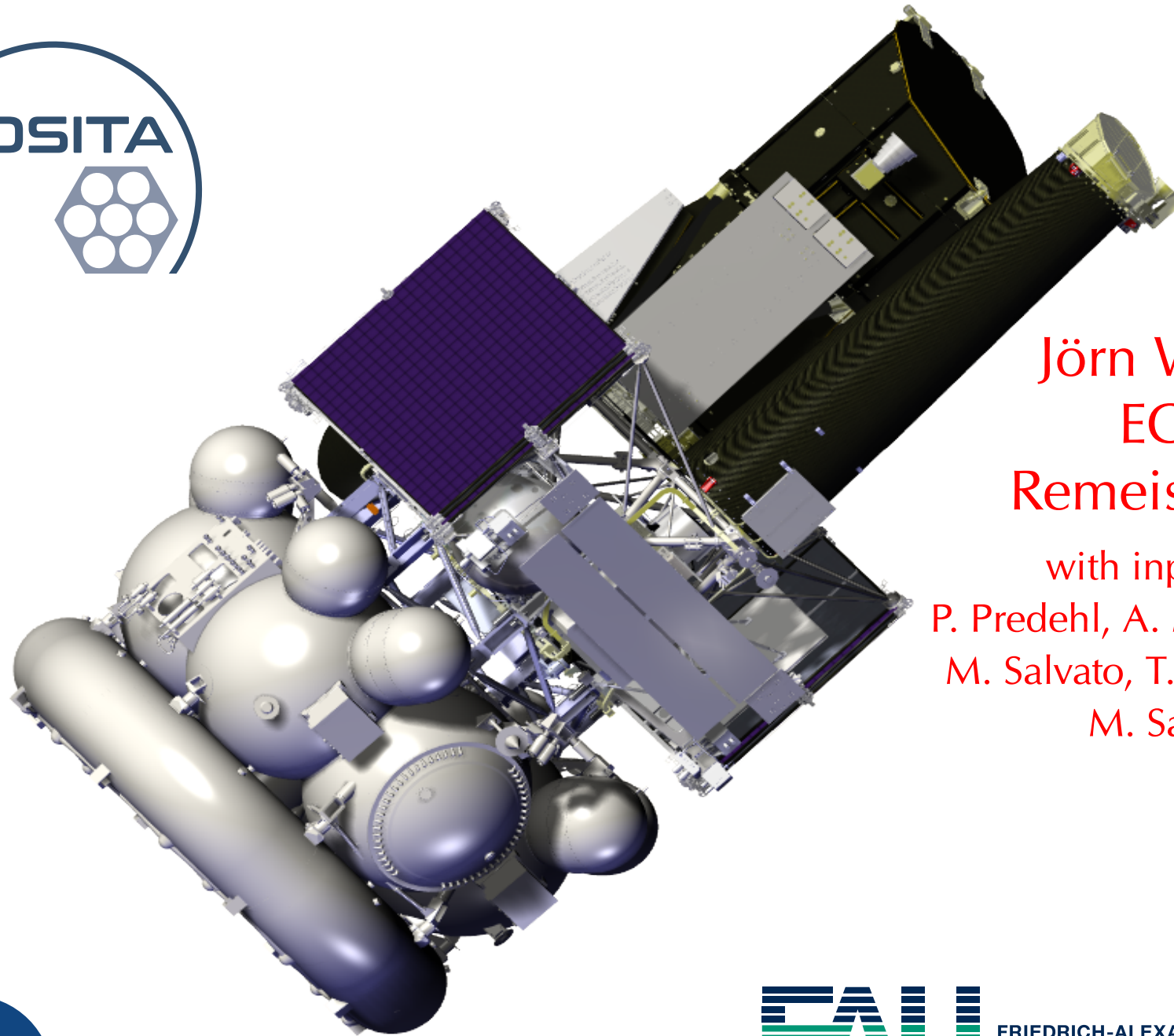


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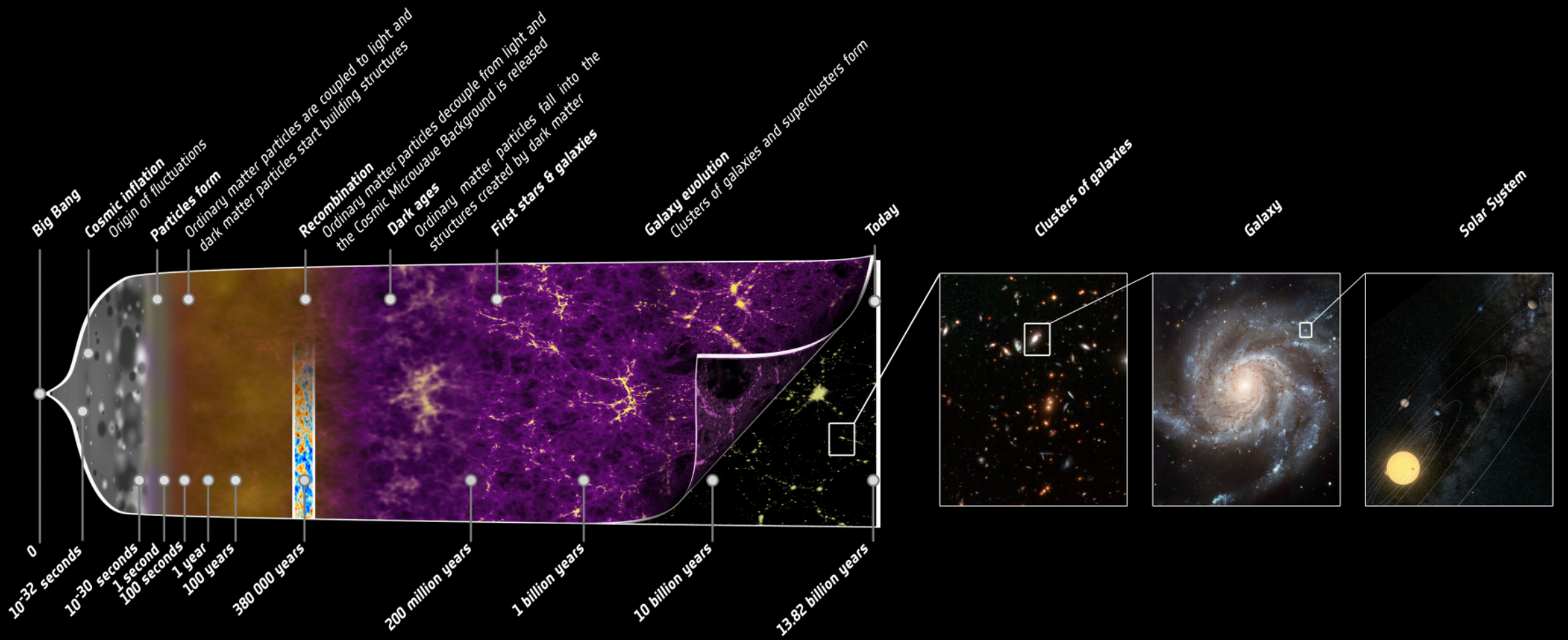


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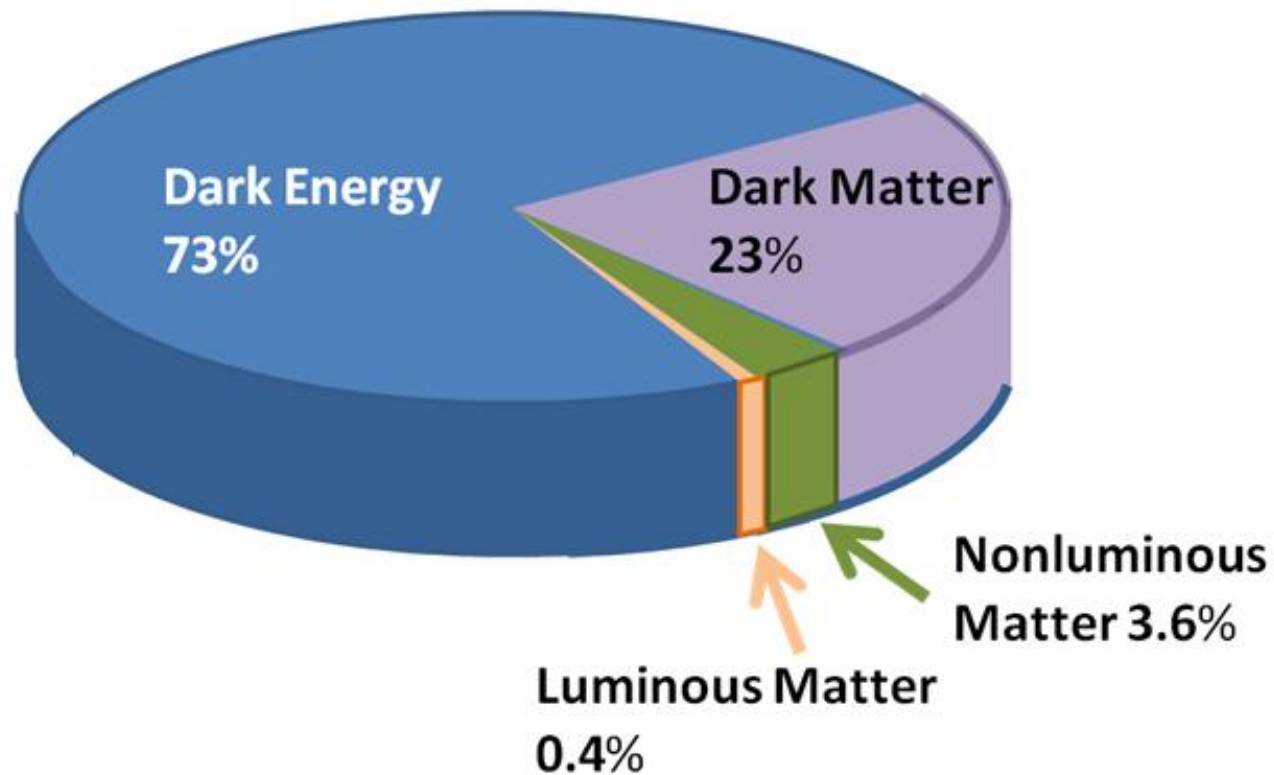
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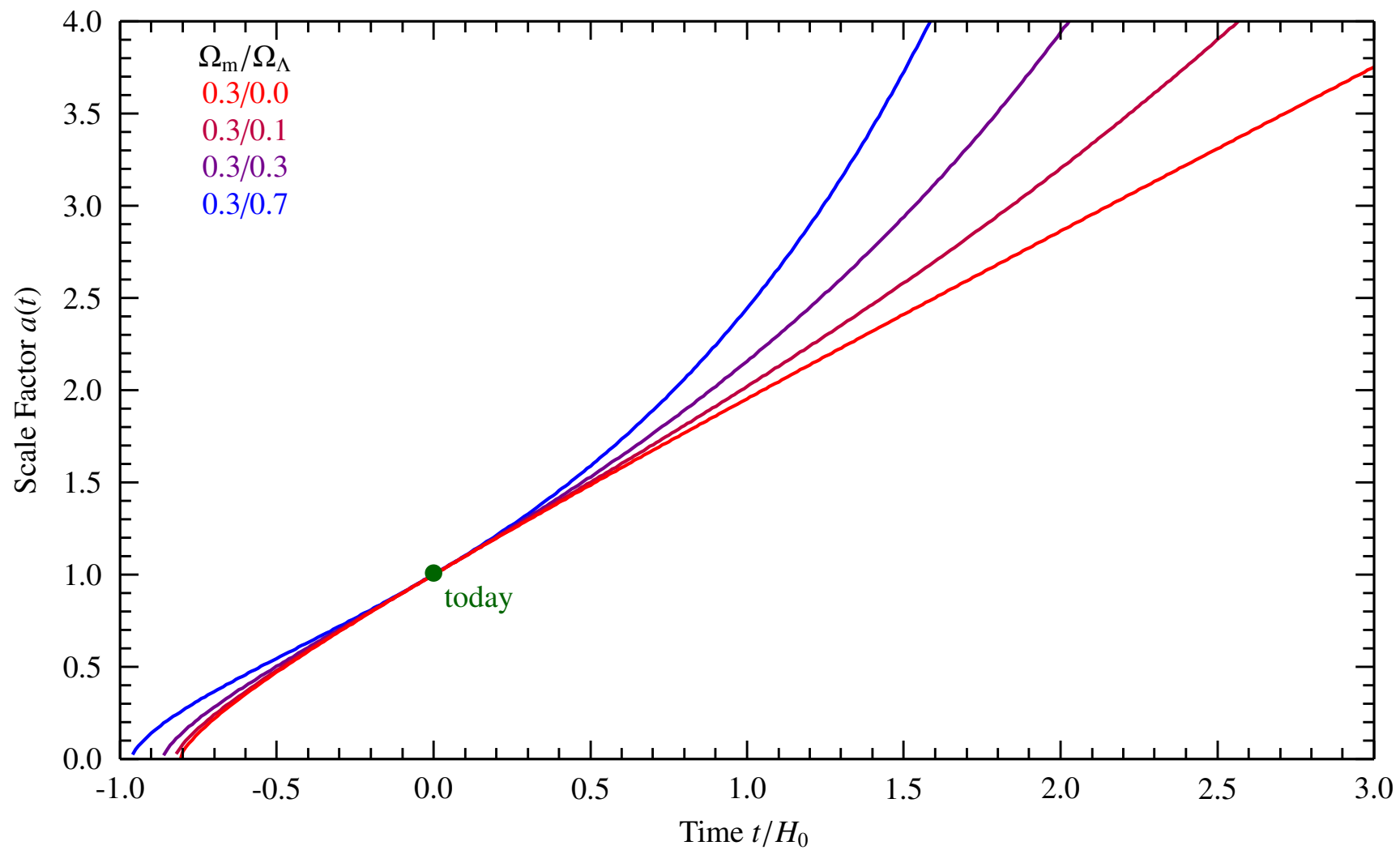
Cosmological Constant



Expansion of the universe depends on its constituents:

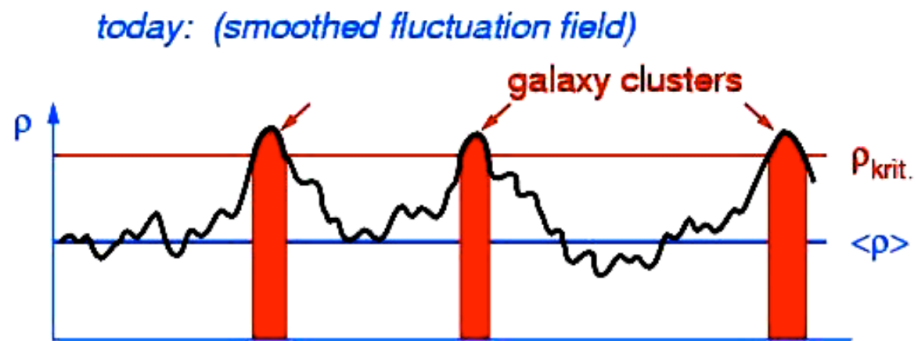
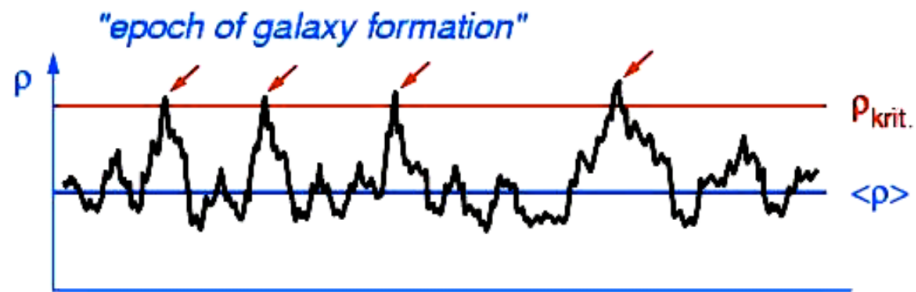
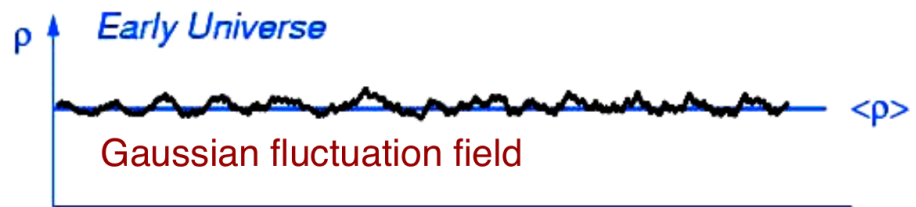
- **normal matter** (“Baryons”)
 - visible (Stars, galaxies)
 - not yet observed (hot gas between galaxies)
- **dark matter**
exotic particles of unknown nature
- **cosmological constant** (“Dark Energy”)
property of space [energy density]

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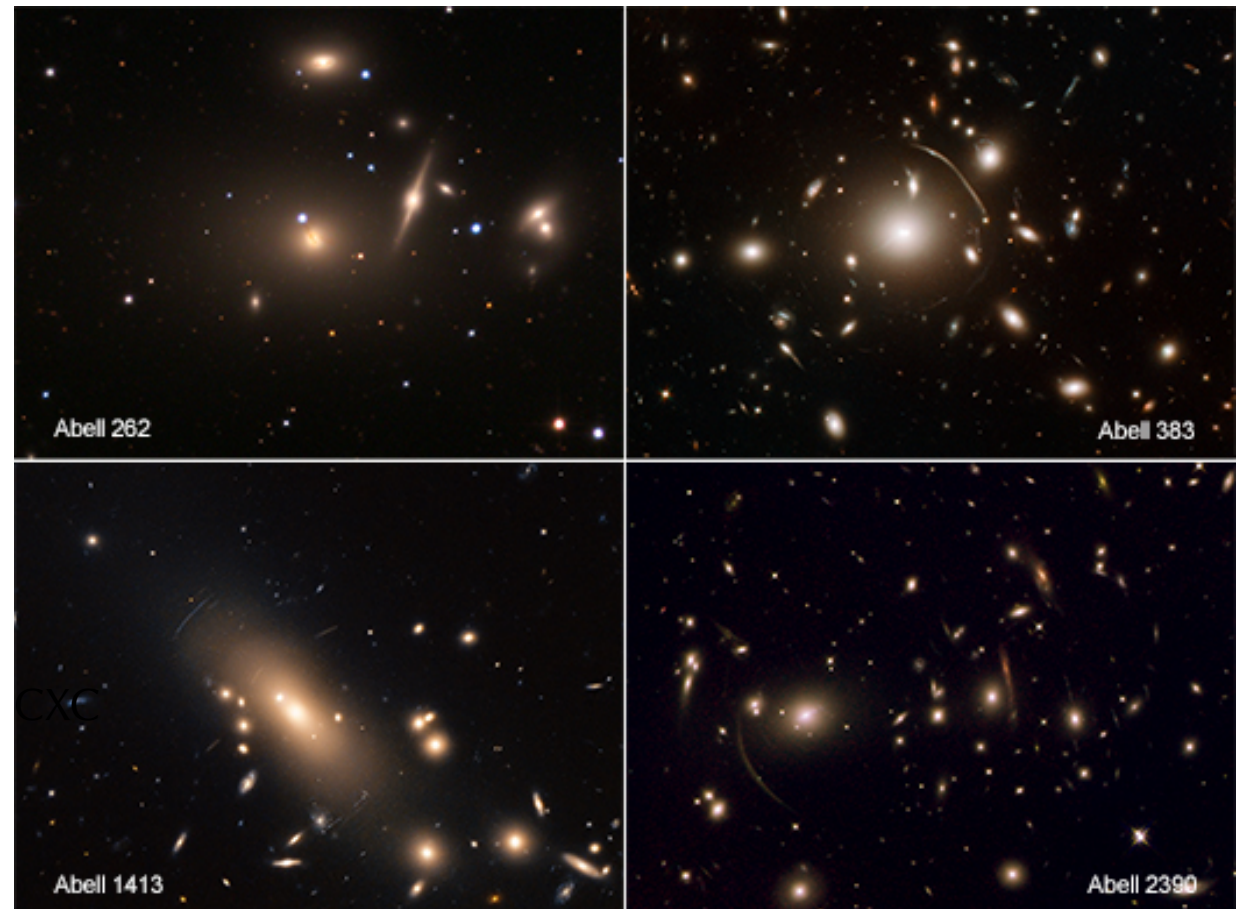


Ω_Λ : accelerated expansion of the universe

Evolution of Structures

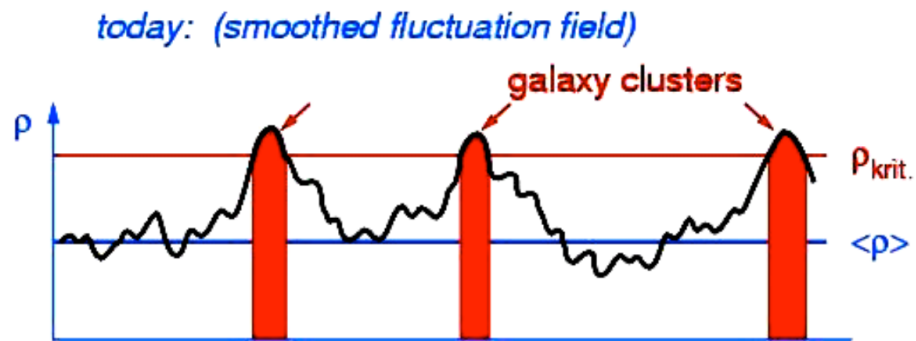
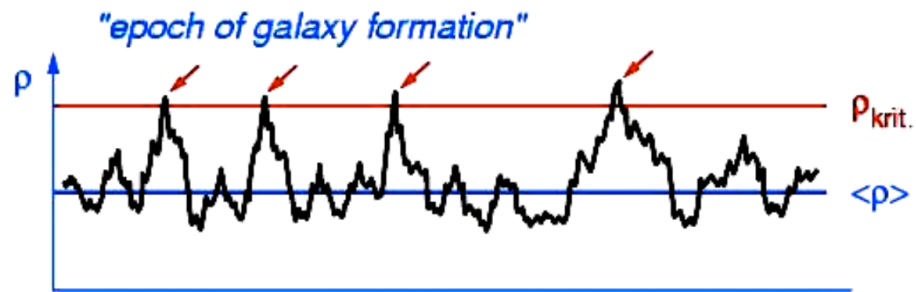
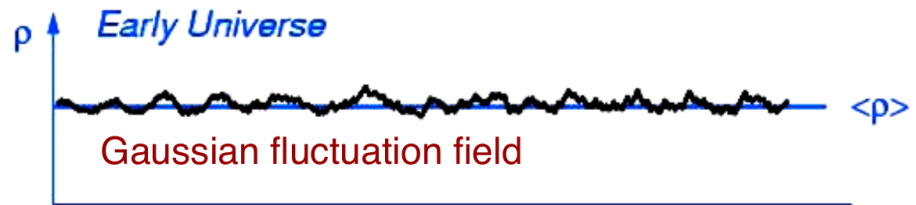


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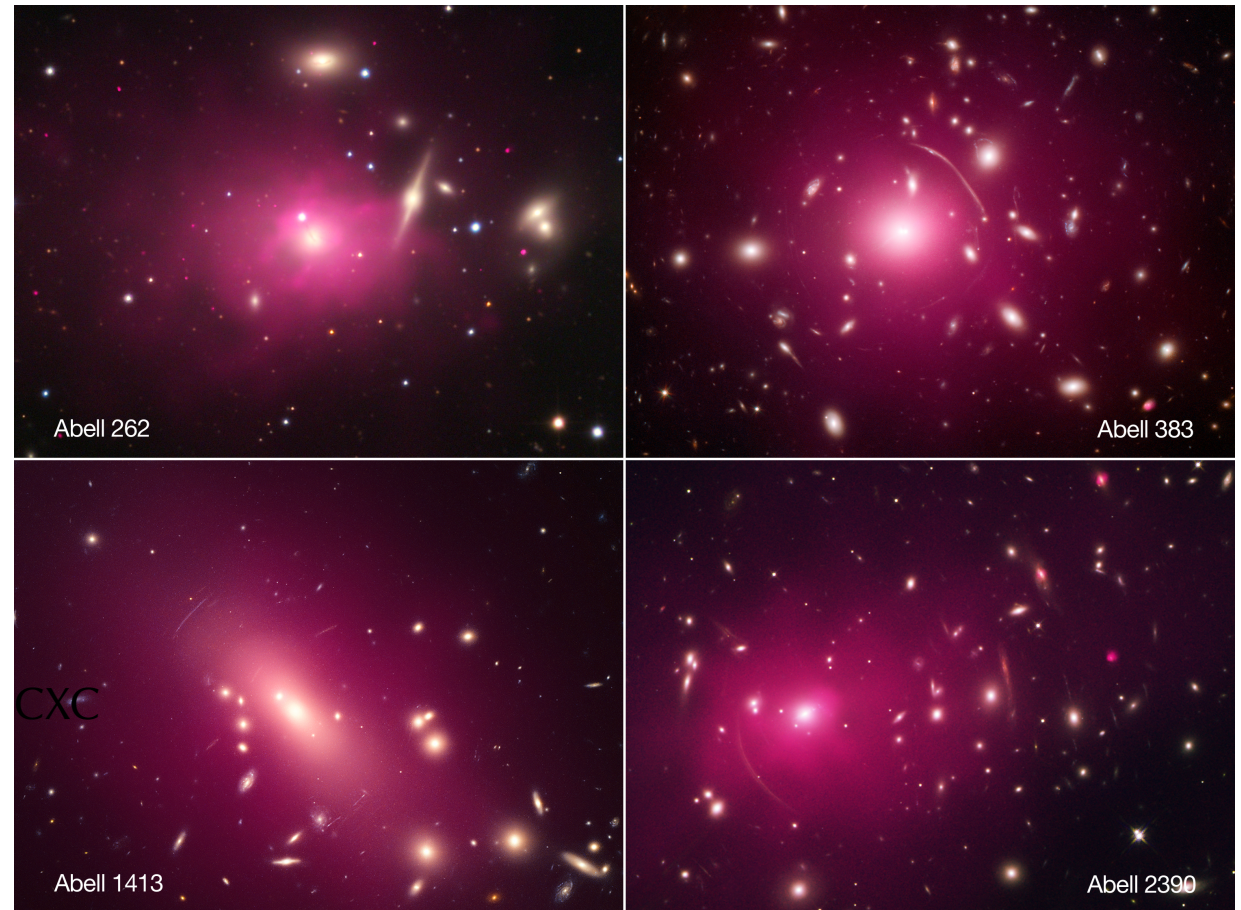


Formation and growth of galaxies and galaxy clusters since the big bang

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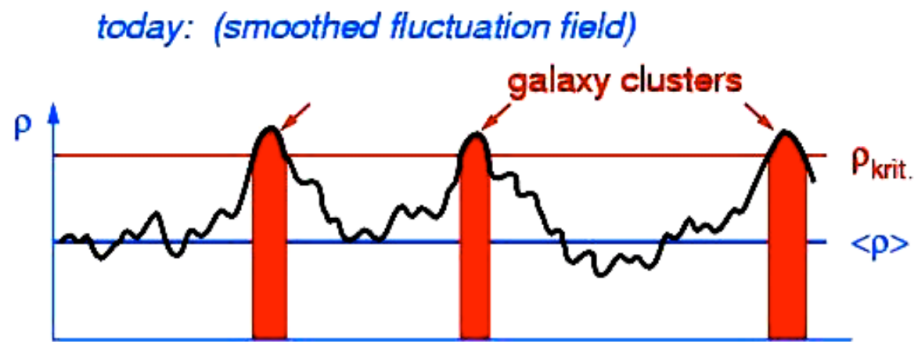
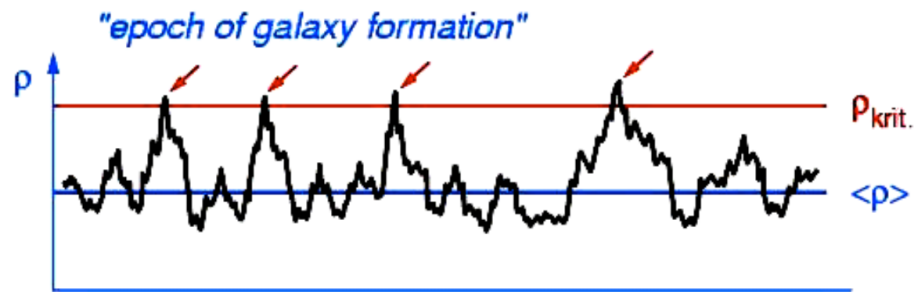
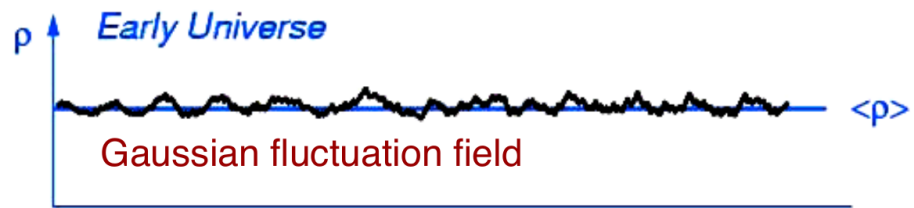


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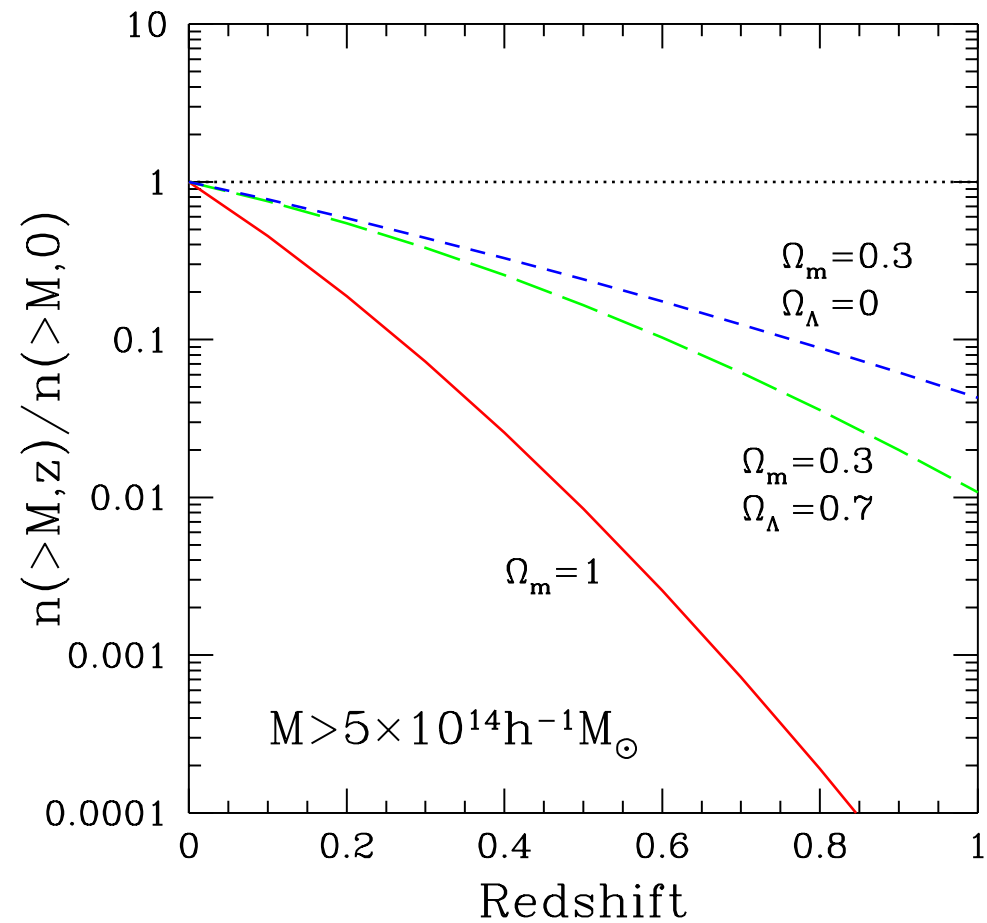


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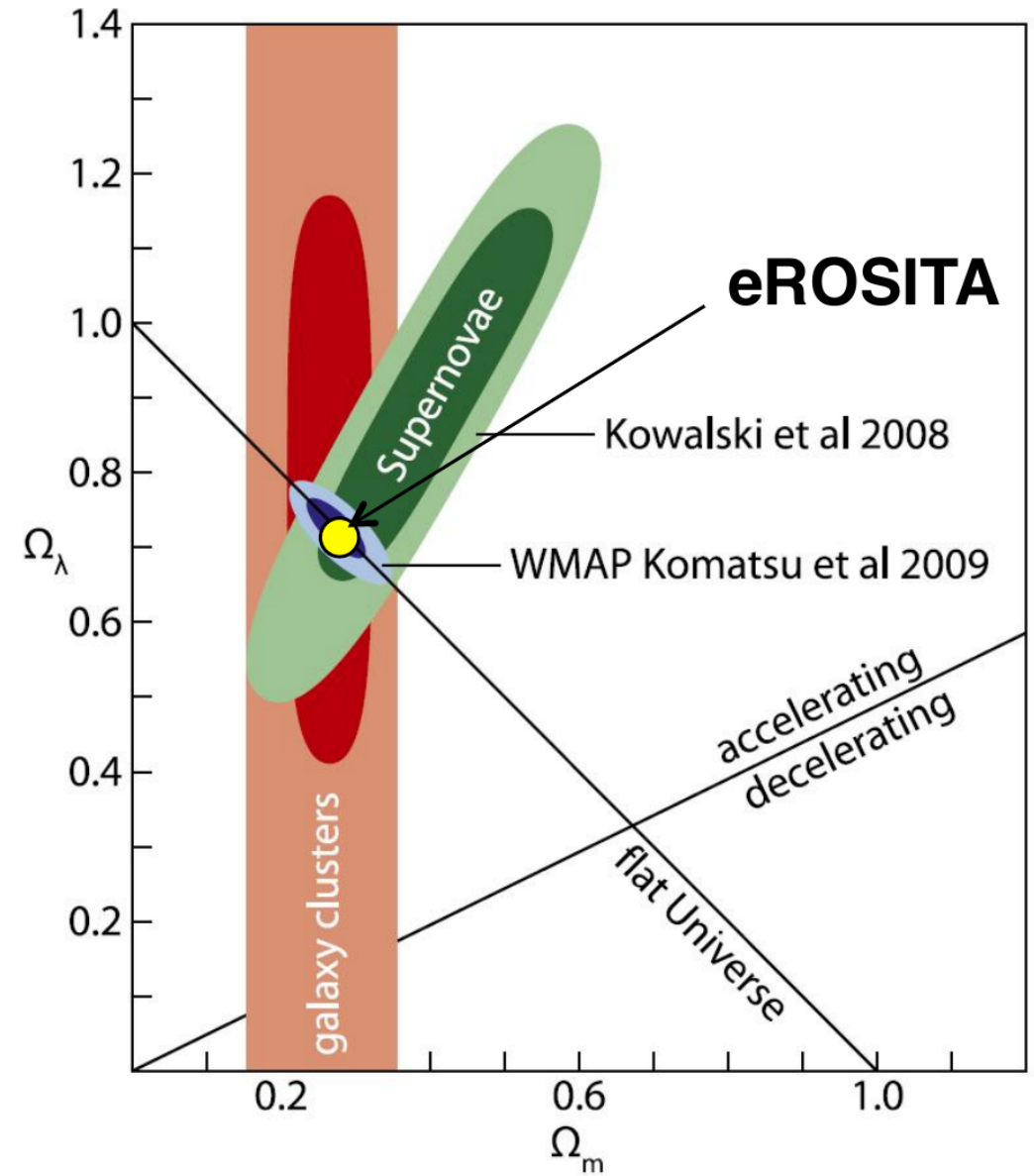
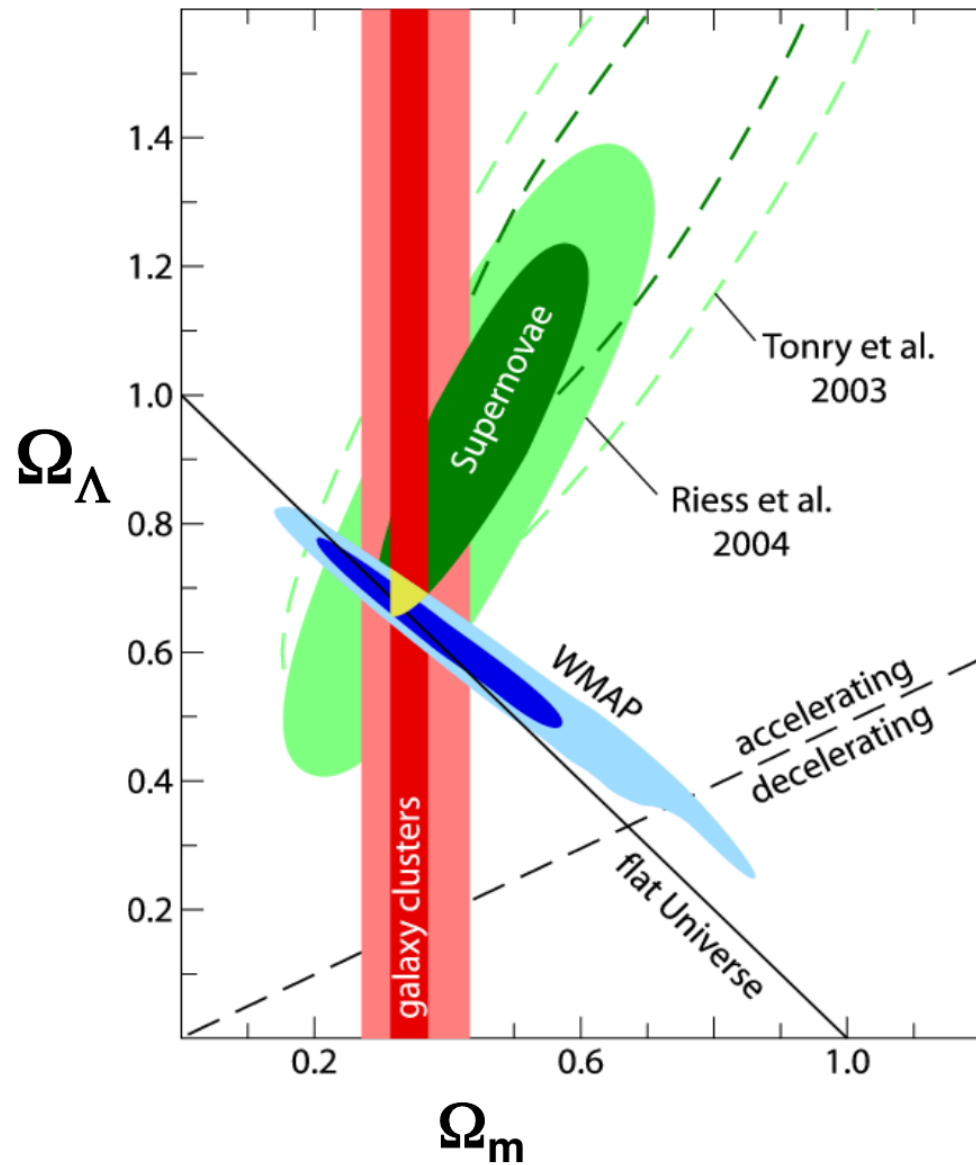
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Rosati et al., 2002, ARAA

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Reactions à la



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\implies Accretion of material is the **most efficient** astrophysical energy source.

... thus accreting objects are the most luminous in the whole universe, and crucial for its evolution.

Note: energy gets radiated away from *outside* the Schwarzschild radius!

AGN: Material flows from surroundings onto
Black Hole

⇒ Formation of an **accretion disk**.

Luminosity:

$$L = \eta \dot{M} c^2 \stackrel{!}{=} 2 \cdot 4\pi R^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}} T^4$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \left(\frac{\eta \dot{M} c^6}{32\pi G^2 M^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}}} \right)^{1/4} \sim 10^7 \text{ K}$$

$$\Rightarrow kT \sim 1 \text{ keV}$$

⇒ **X-rays and Gamma-rays**

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Therefore:

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Many astronomical objects are luminous – X-ray and gamma-ray astronomy necessary to understand Universe

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AGN produce large amounts of energy over timescales of $\gtrsim 10^8$ years and they strongly interact with their environment.

10–20% of all energy radiated since the birth of the Universe comes from AGN.

Questions:

- What galaxies harbor AGN?
- Are these galaxies different from others?
- How do galaxies with AGN evolve?
- How do AGN form?

To answer these questions:

- need to **model AGN evolution**
- contrast models and **statistical properties of AGN and their hosts**, both among morphological type and with time \implies **AGN surveys**

How to make X-rays

How do we grow the black holes in AGN?

Eddington limit limits growth:

$$\dot{M} = \frac{L_{\text{acc}}}{\eta c^2} \leq \frac{4\pi G M m_p}{\eta c \sigma_T} \quad (1)$$

such that

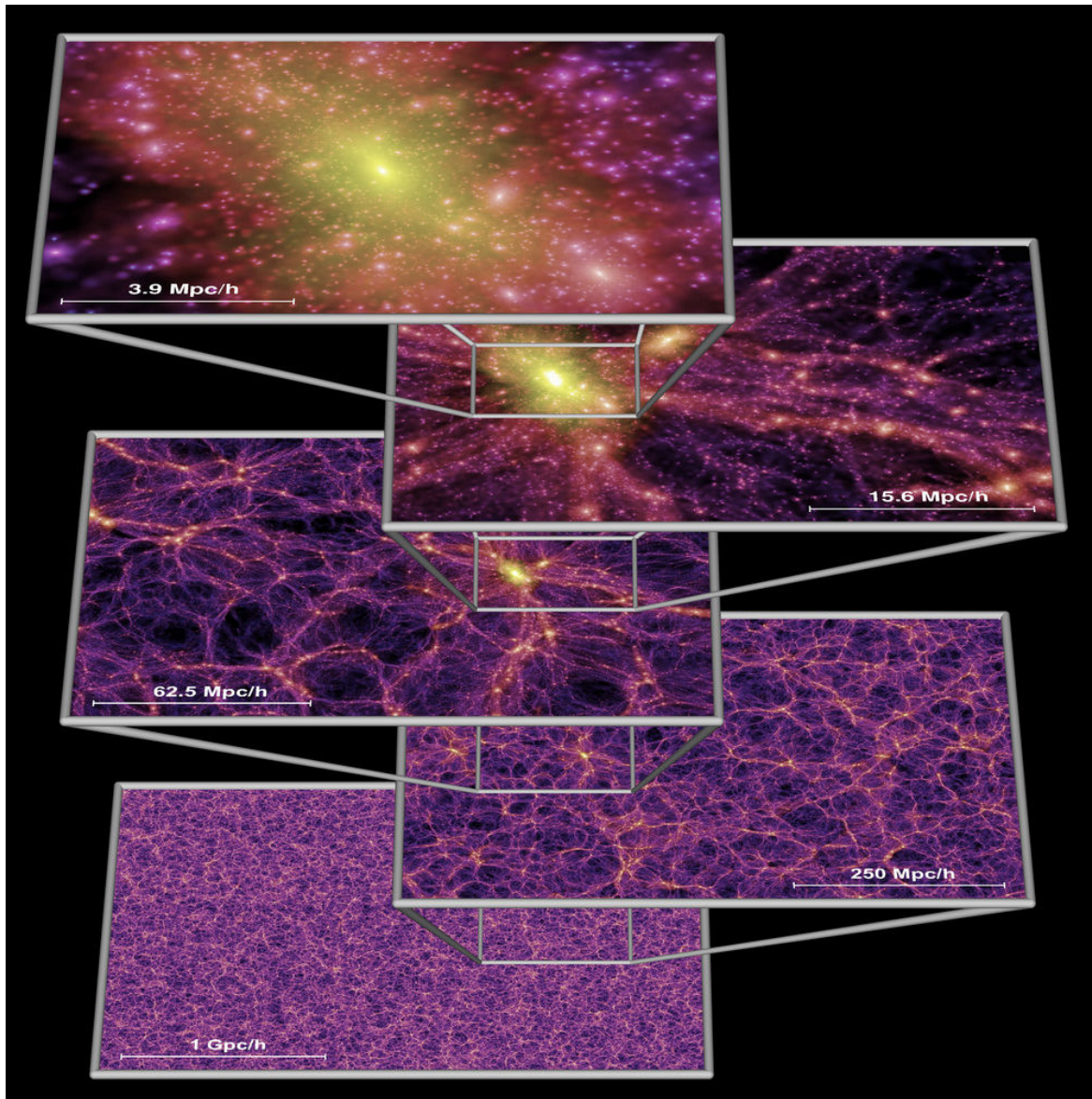
$$M(t) \leq M_0 e^{t/\tau} \quad \text{where} \quad \tau = \frac{\eta c \sigma_T}{4\pi G m_p} \sim 5 \times 10^7 \text{ yr} \quad (2)$$

Soltan argument (Soltan et al., 1982):

If supermassive black holes grow primarily by accretion, then the integral of the accretion rate across cosmic time should be equal to their present mass.

Generally found to be true, yields BH mass density $\rho_{\text{BH}} \sim 4 \times 10^{-5} M_{\odot} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$.

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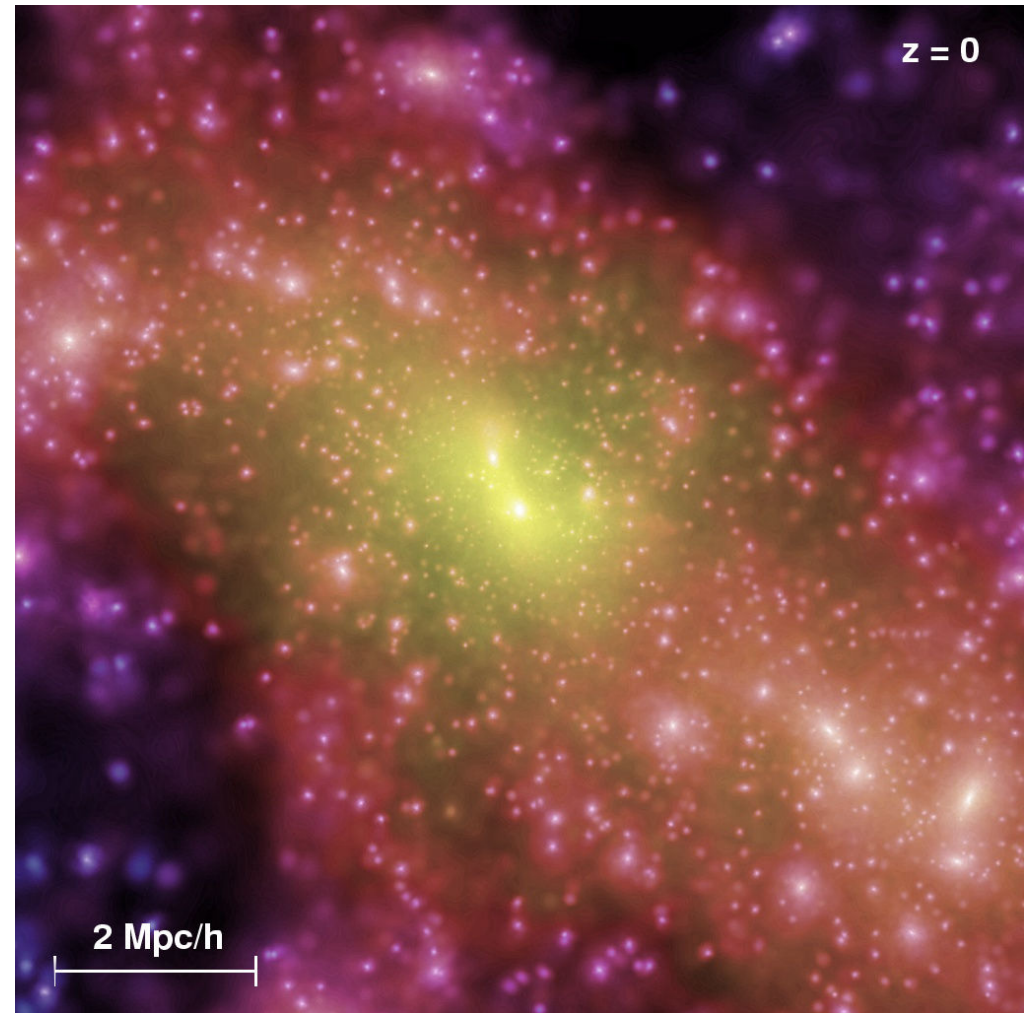
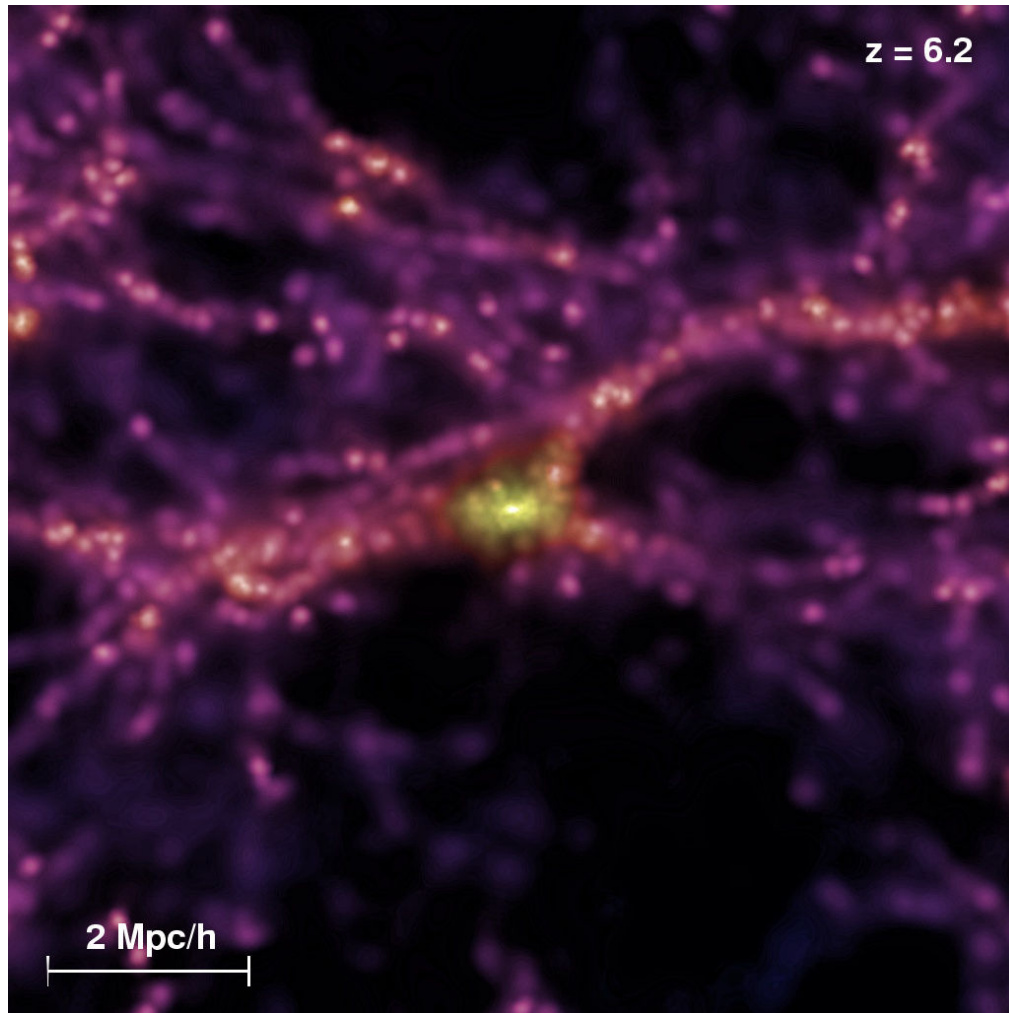


Millenium simulation: numerical simulation of galaxy evolution in a Λ CDM universe

Baseline: semi-analytical evolution formalism adjusted to yield galaxy parameters (luminosity-color evolution, morphology, gas content, BH mass) consistent with observations. Covers galaxies down to SMC size, includes AGN formation and growth.

See Springel et al. (2005) for details.

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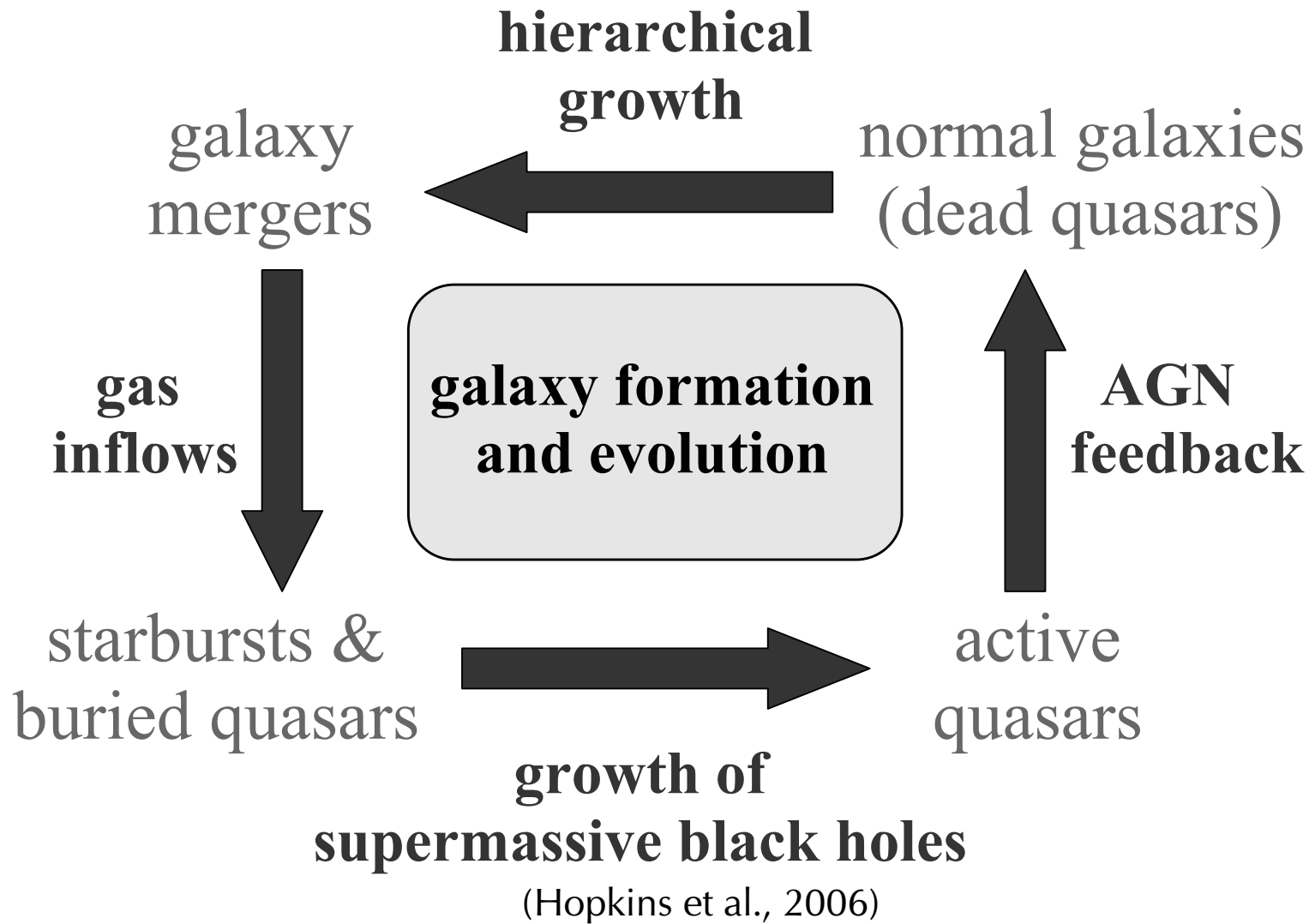


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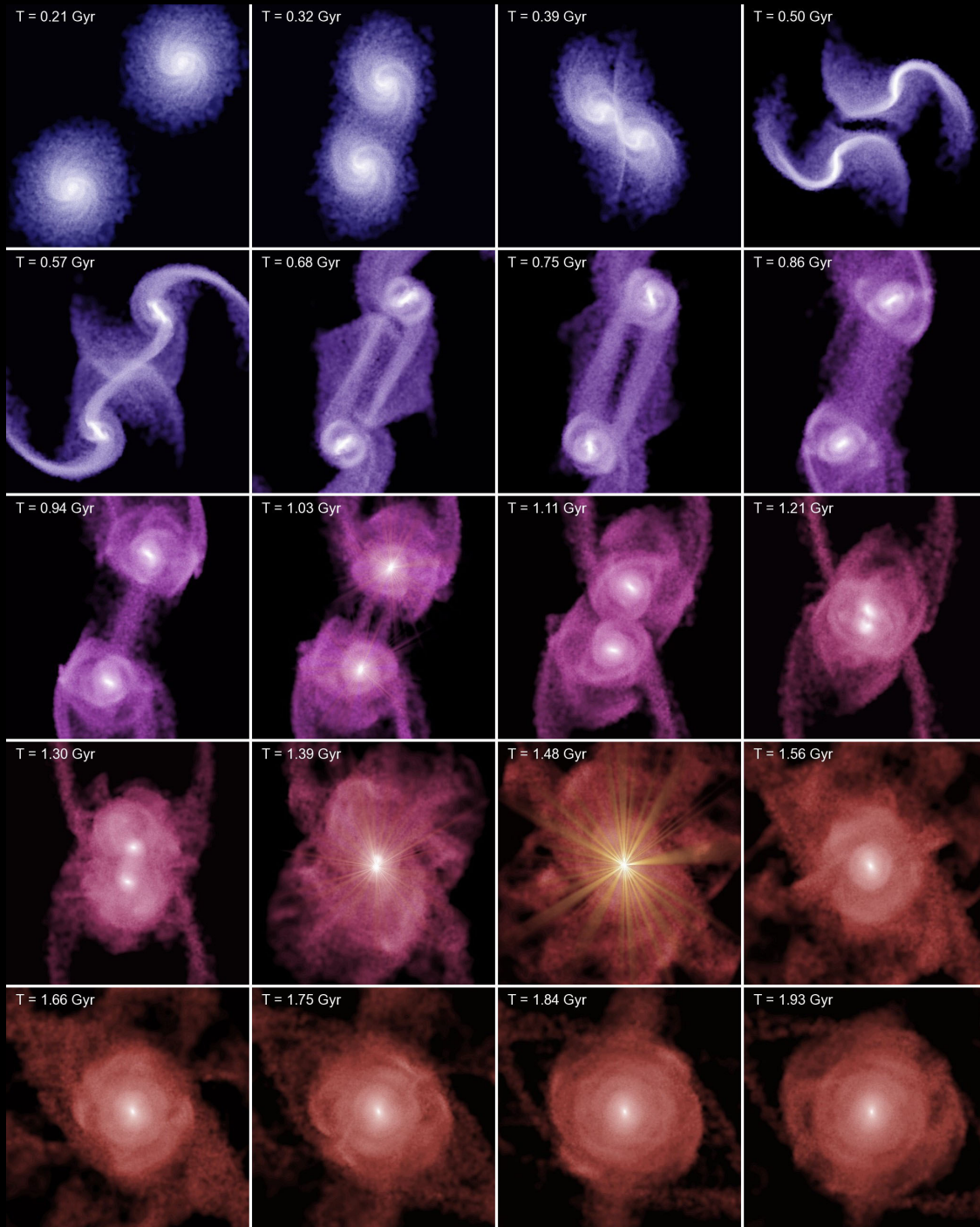
Volume of Millenium simulation is too small to contain more than a few quasar candidates.

Here: Evolution of largest mass object, from halo dark matter mass $1.8 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ at $z = 16.7$ to now $3.9 \times 10^{12} M_{\odot}$ in DM, $6.8 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ normal matter, and a star formation rate of $235 M_{\odot} \text{ year}^{-1}$.

How to make X-rays



AGN formation and evolution are linked to galaxy mergers: “co-evolution”.



Evolution of a merger in a $80h^{-1}$ kpc wide box:
 blue: baryonic mass fraction 20%, red: $< 5\%$.
 Point sources shown when quasar activity
 would be observable.

(Hopkins et al., 2006, Fig. 2)



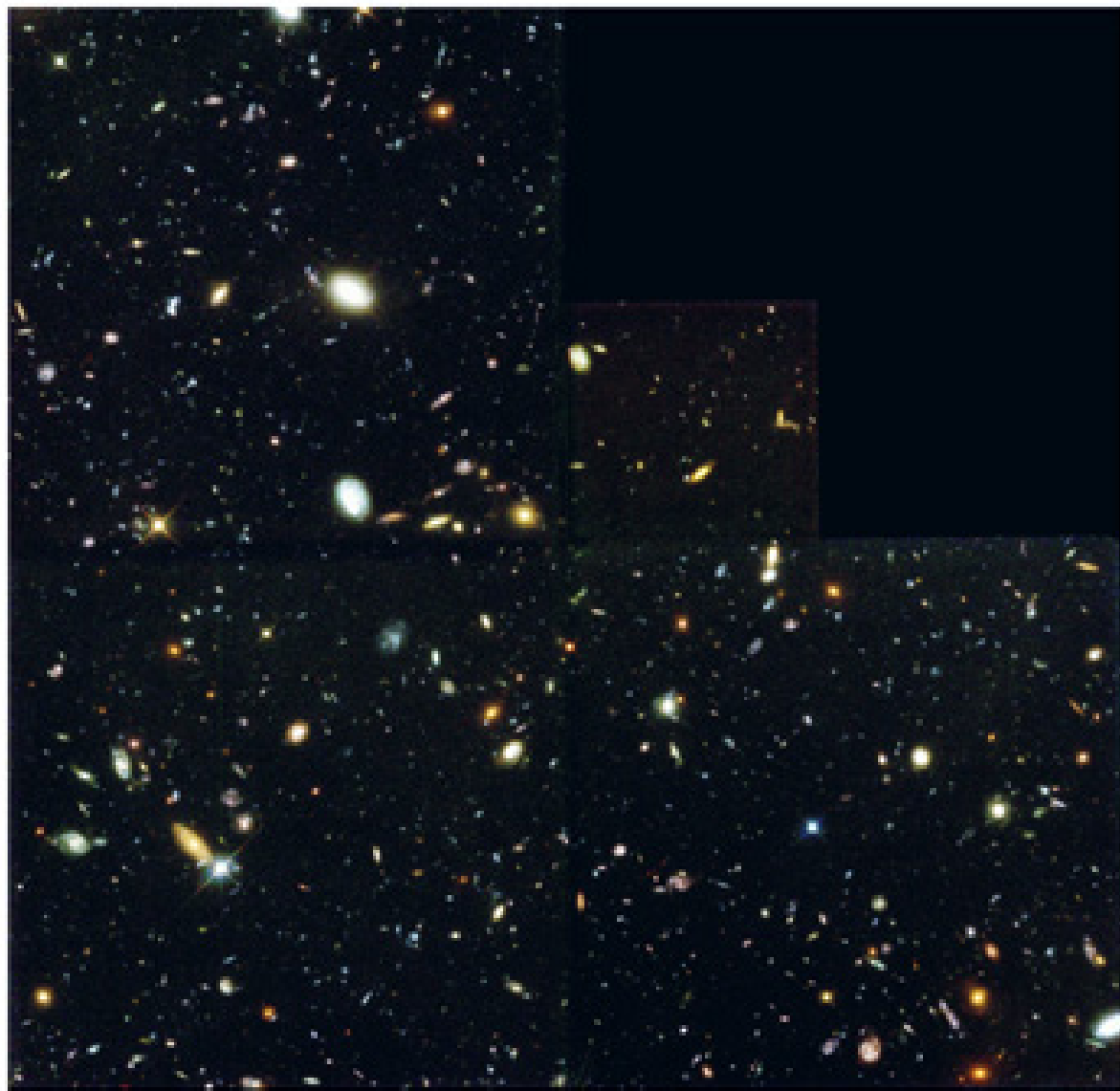
JWST deep field



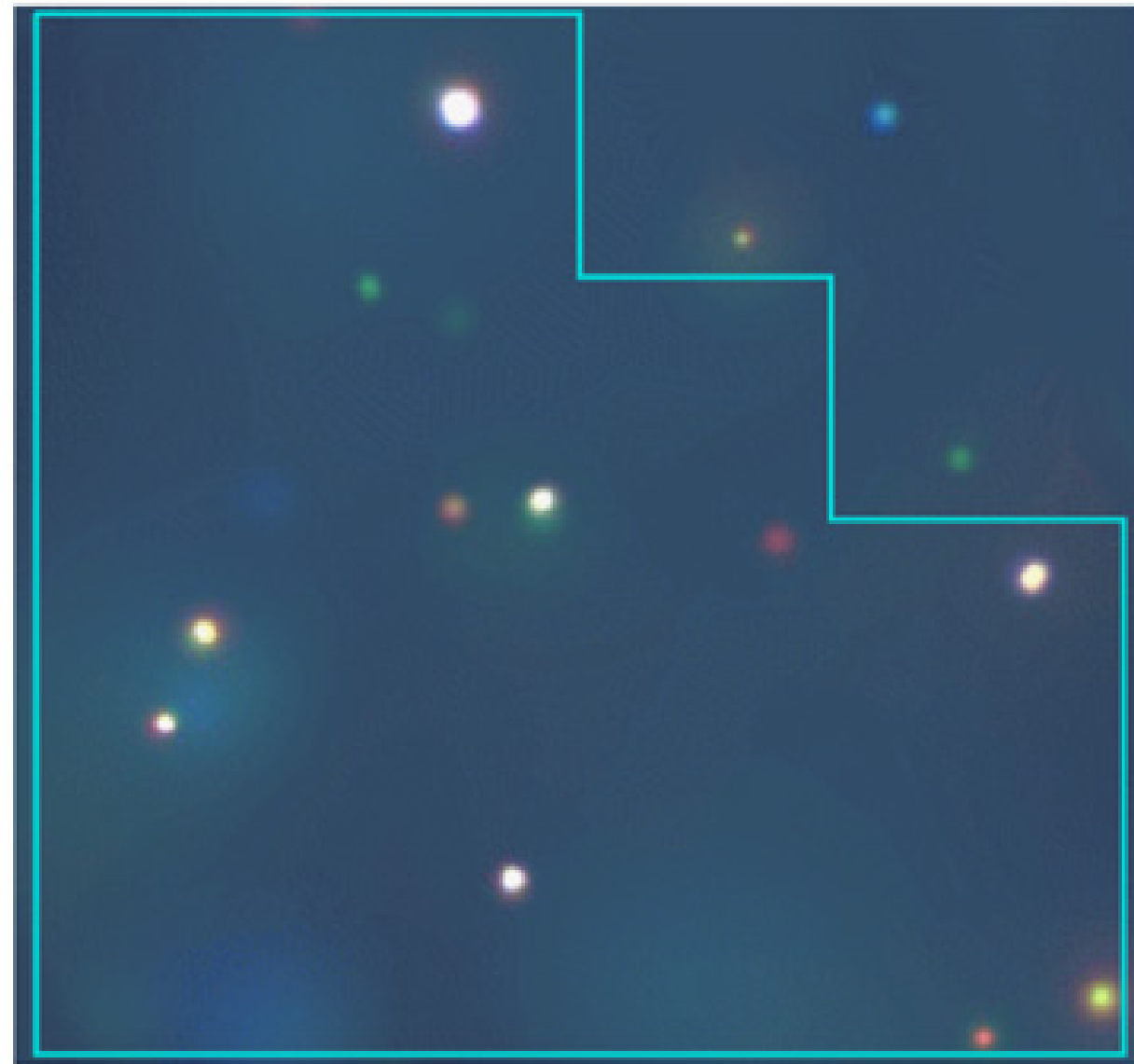
Hubble Deep Field
ST ScI OPO January 15, 1996 R. Williams and the HDF Team (ST ScI) and NASA

HST WFPC2

1995 December: **Hubble Deep Field**: 8 d exposure
“weird galaxies” \implies **proto galaxies!**
redshifts: $z \in [0.5, 5.3]$ (Fernández-Soto et al., 1999)



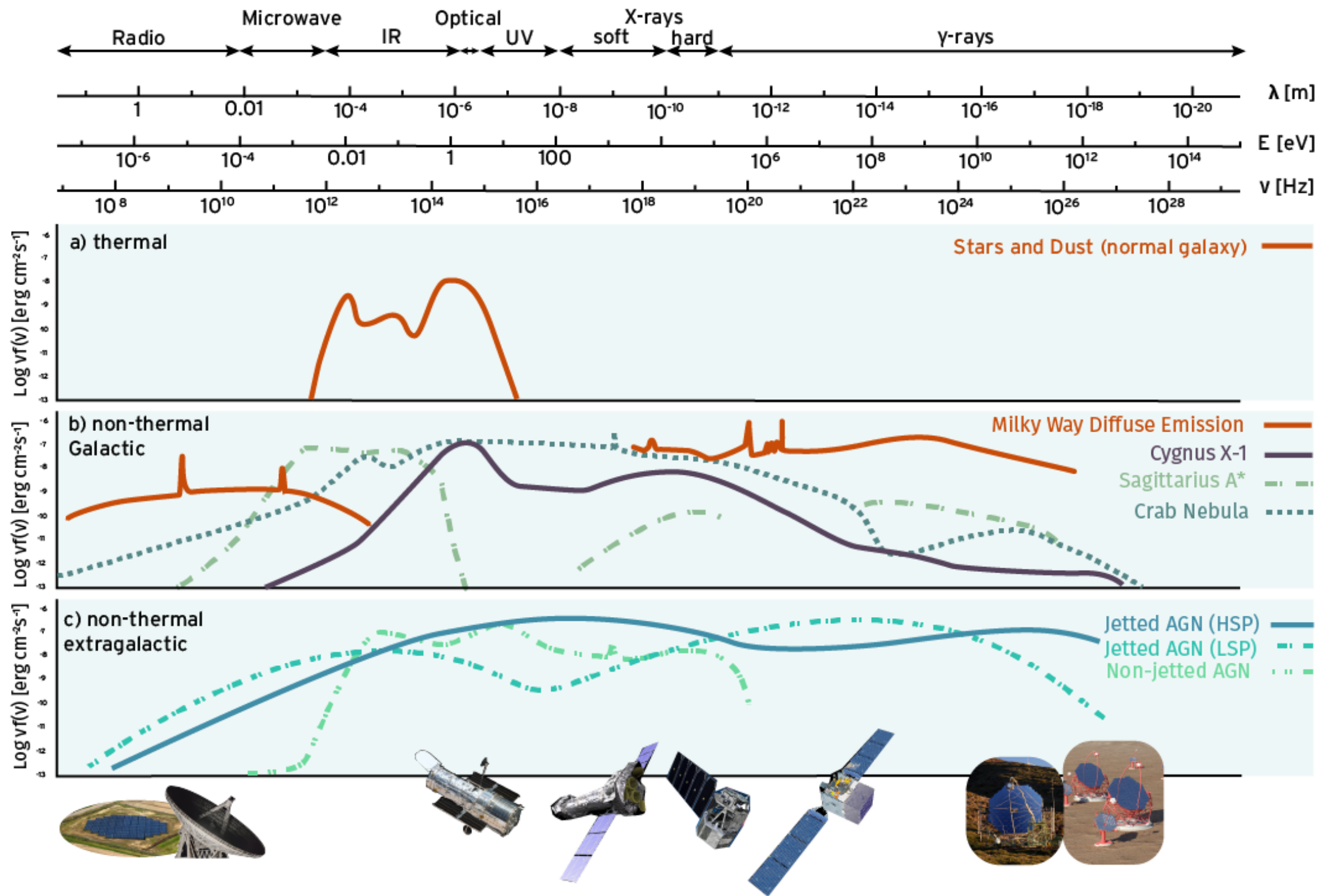
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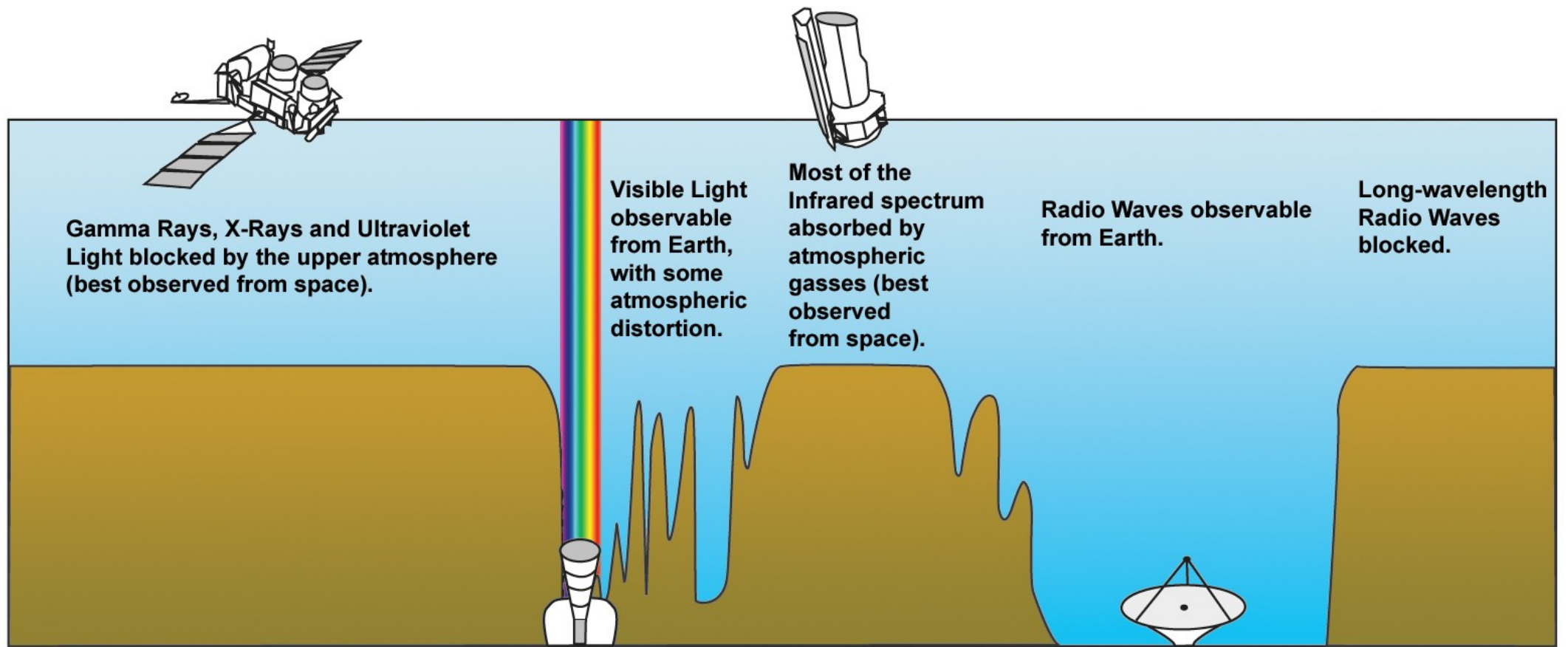
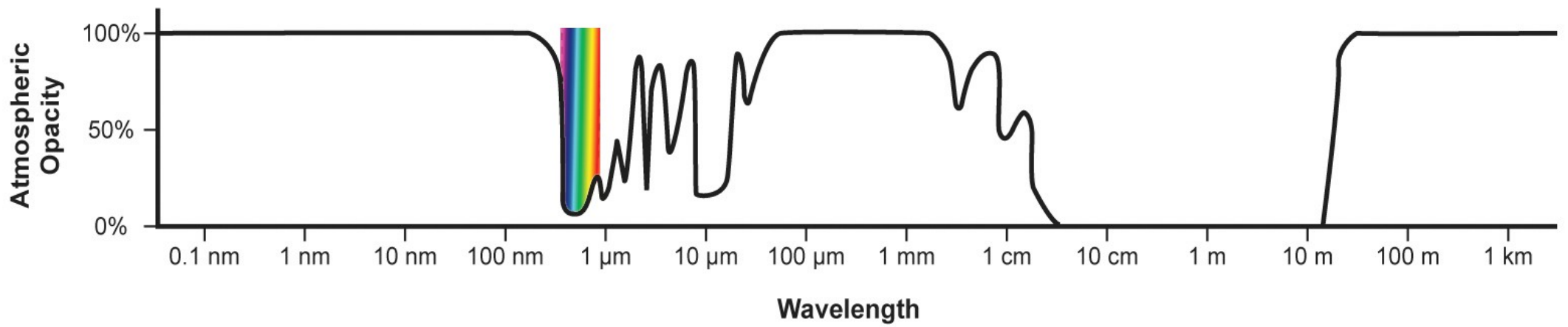


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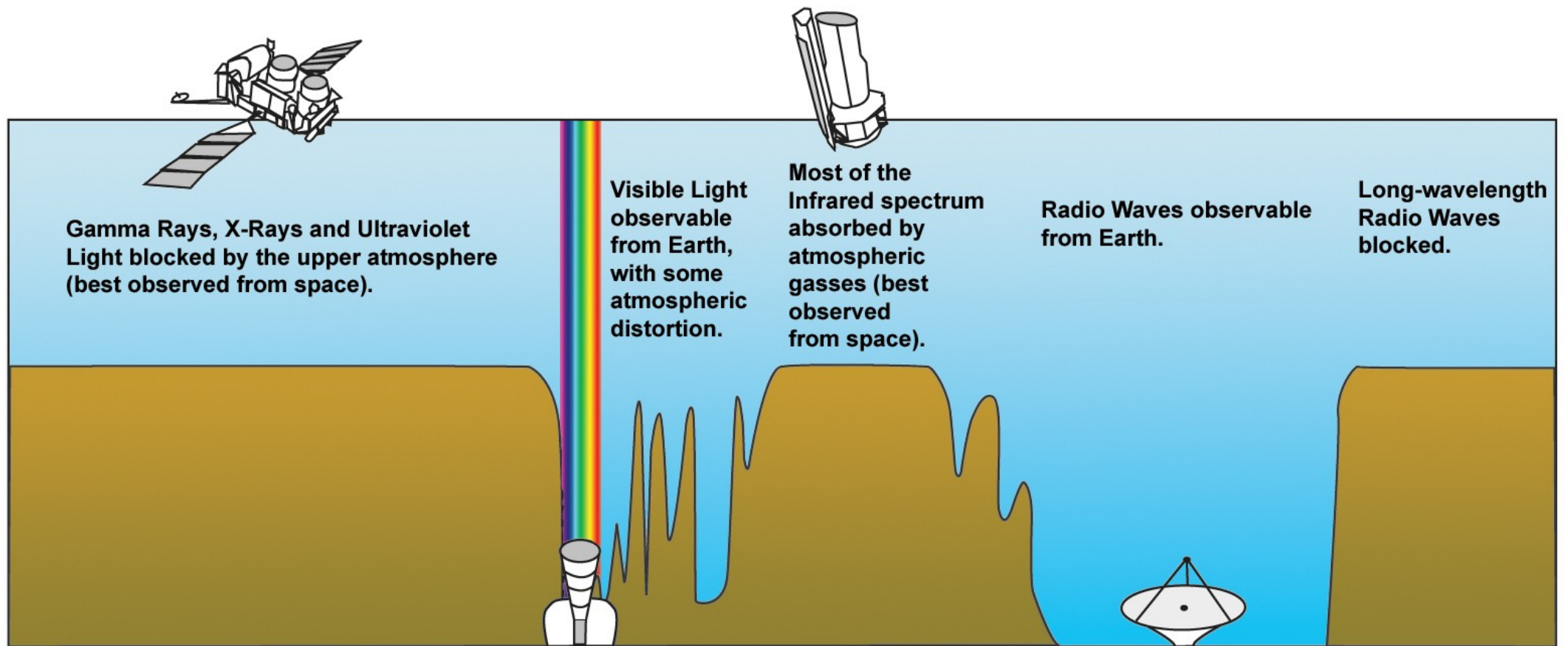
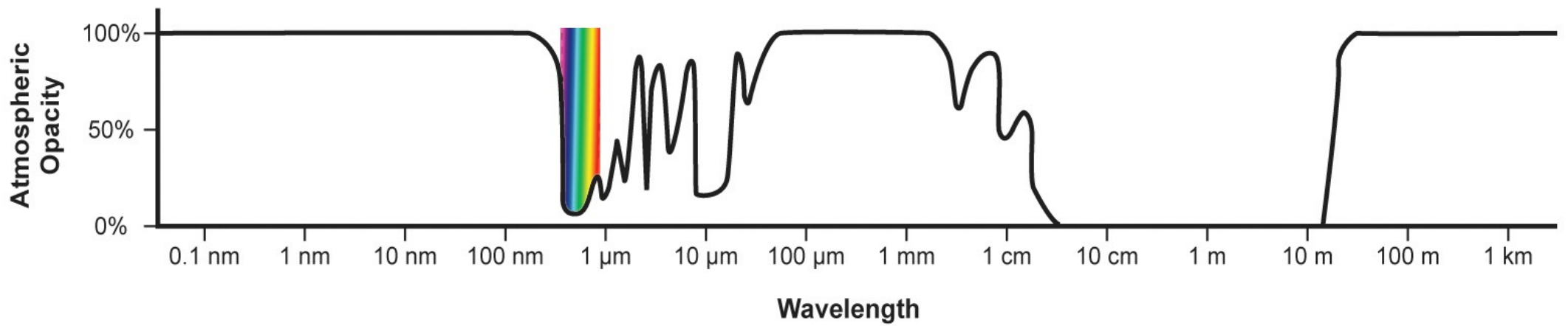
Chandra/HST image of Hubble Deep Field North; 500 ks

Multi Wavelength astronomy: different views onto the Universe



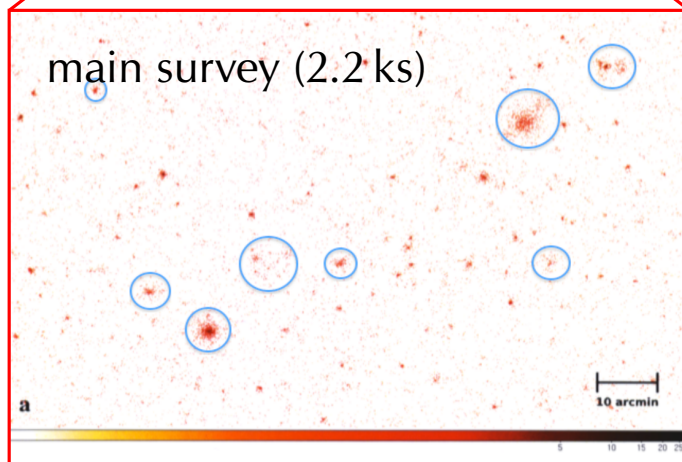
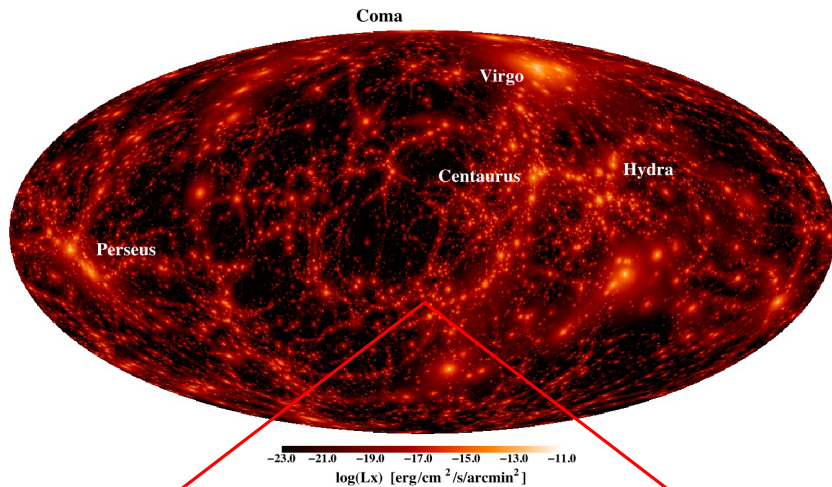


Earth's atmosphere is opaque for all radiation except for optical light and radio



⇒ If you want to observe the sky in other wavebands, you *must* go into space!

eROSITA at a glance



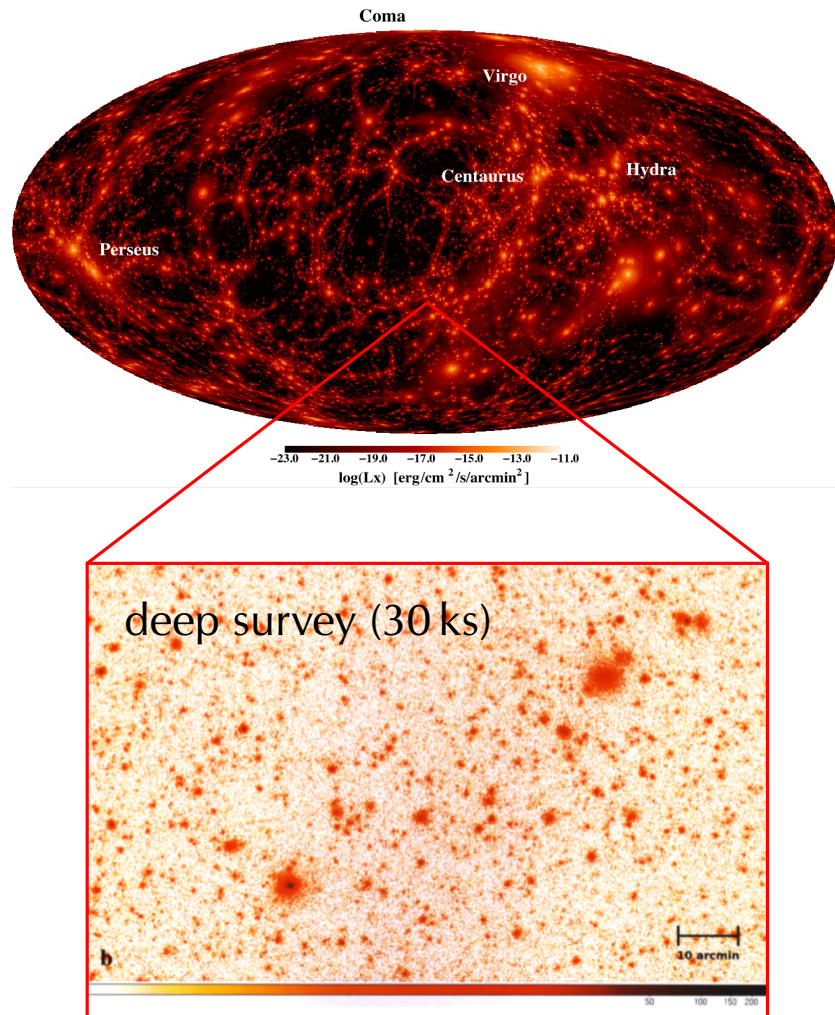
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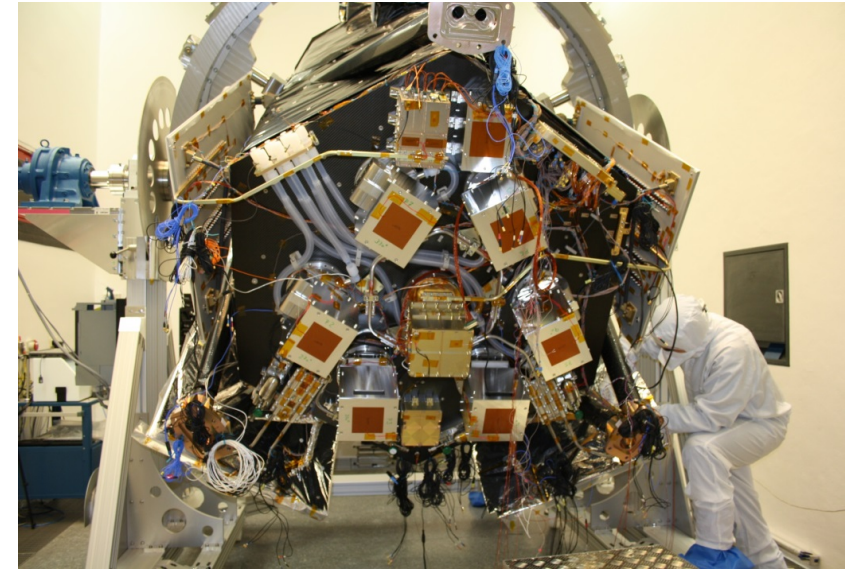
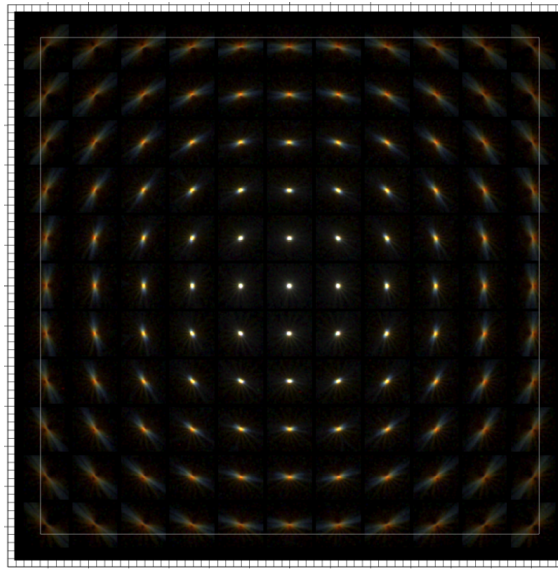
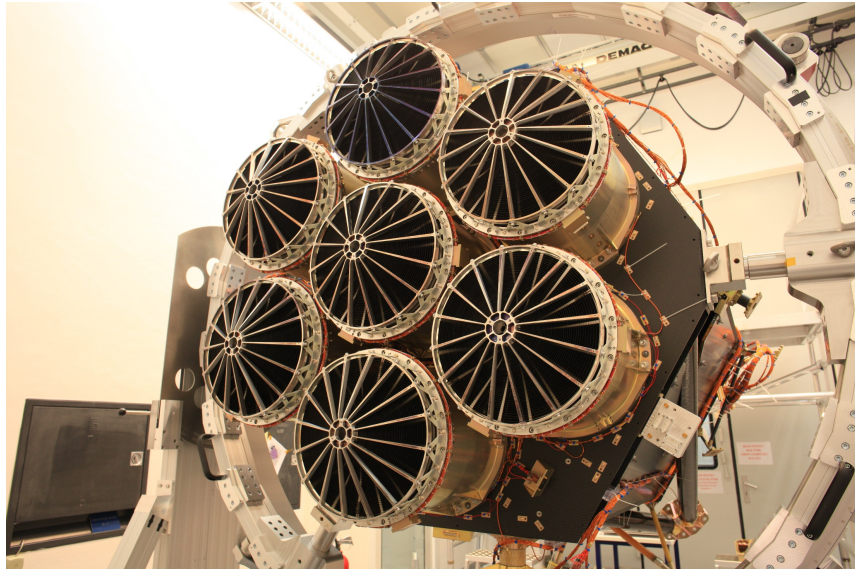
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Large Effective area ($\sim 1300 \text{ cm}^2$ at 1 keV, \sim XMM-Newton)

Large Field of view: 1° diameter

Half-Energy width (HEW) $\sim 18''$ (on-axis, point.); $\sim 30''$ (FoV avg., survey)

Positional accuracy: $\sim 4.5''$ (1σ)

X-ray baffle: 92% stray light reduction

pnCCD with framestore: $384 \times 384 \times 7 \sim 10^6$ pxl ($9.4''$), no chip gaps, no "out of time" events,

Spectral resolution at all measured energies within specs ($\sim 80 \text{ eV}$ at 1.5 keV)



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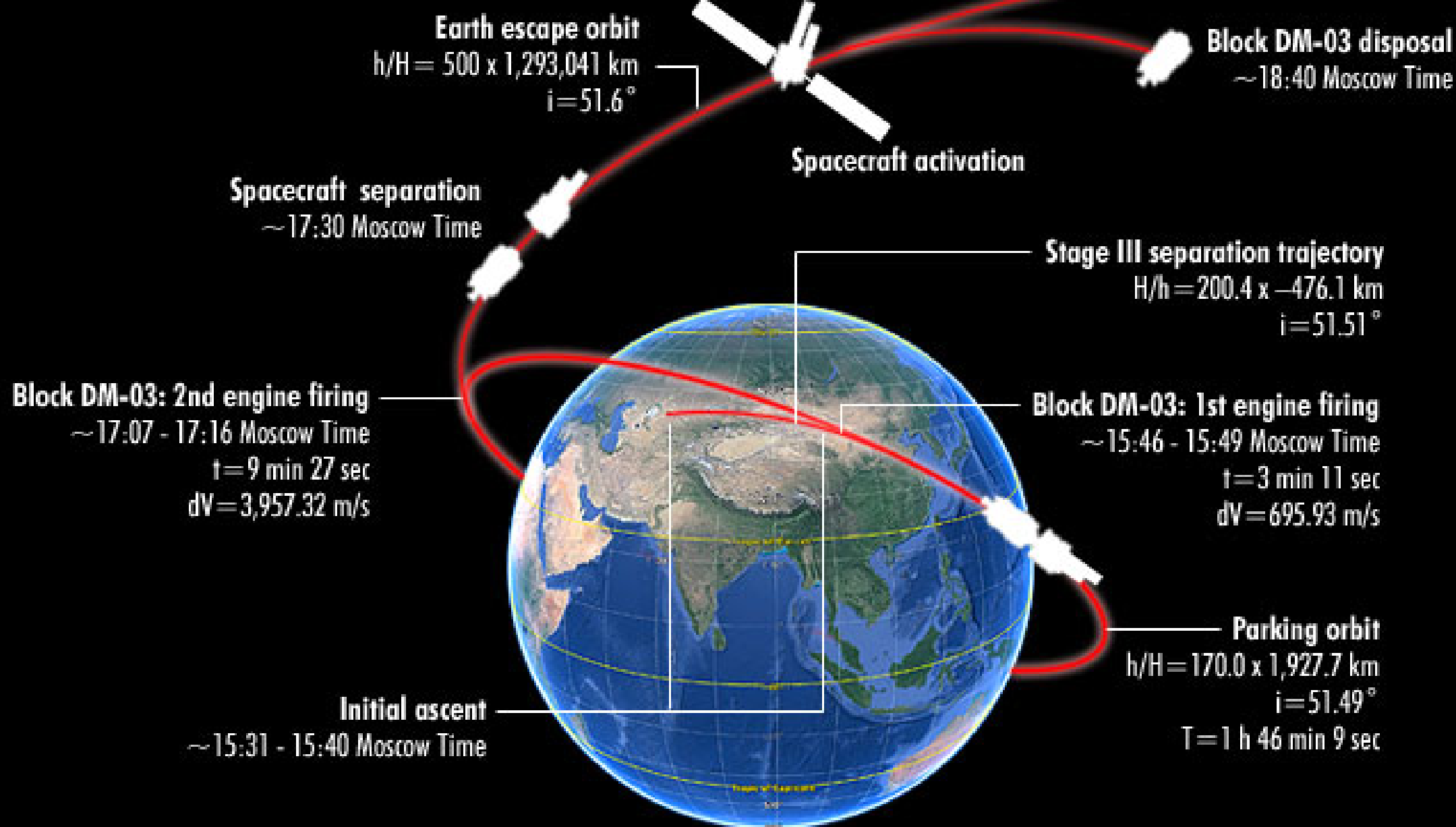
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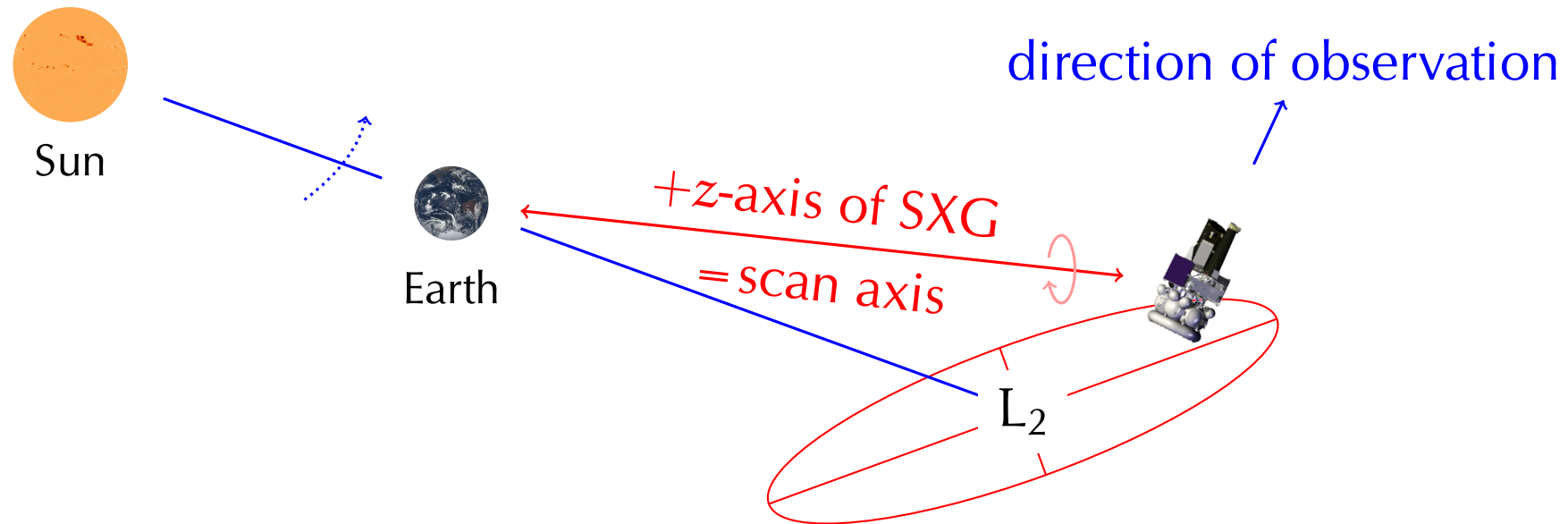
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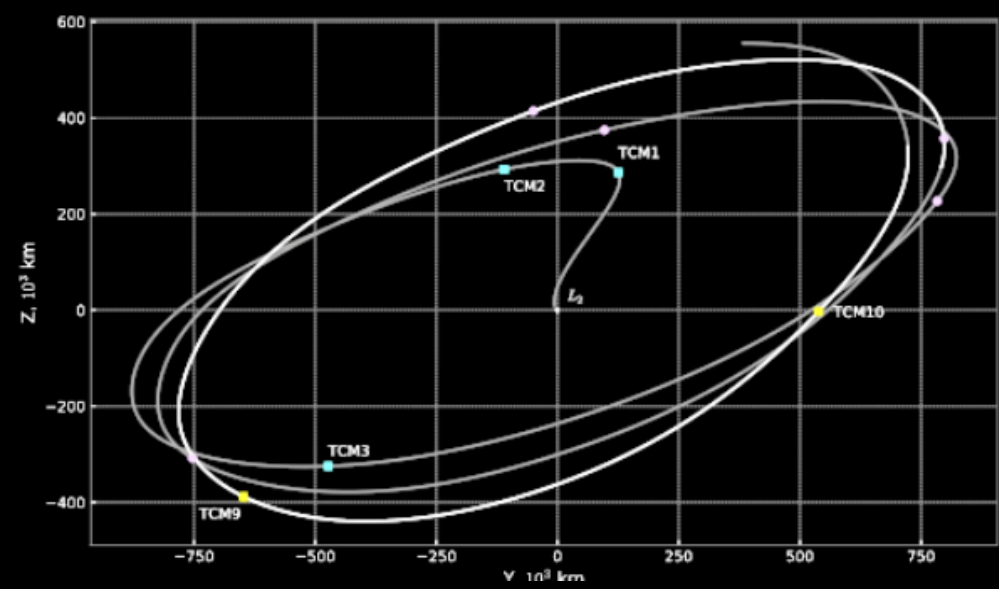
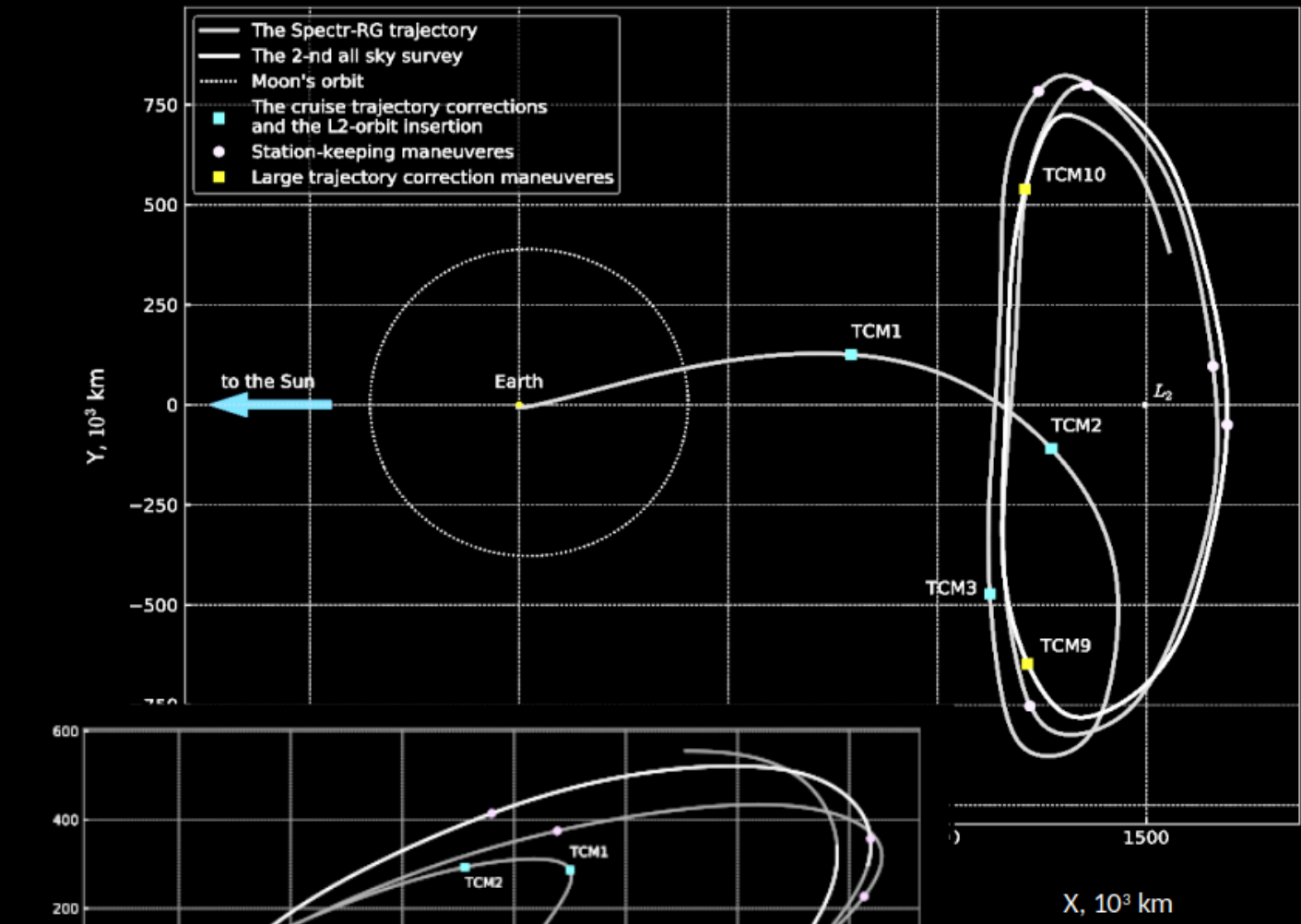


mission profile:

- L₂-Orbit (1.5 Mio km from Earth)
- scan axis points towards Earth (~4 h/Rotation)

4 years survey (modulo Ukraine war)

3 years pointed phase



A large L2 halo orbit
Sunyaev et al. 2021

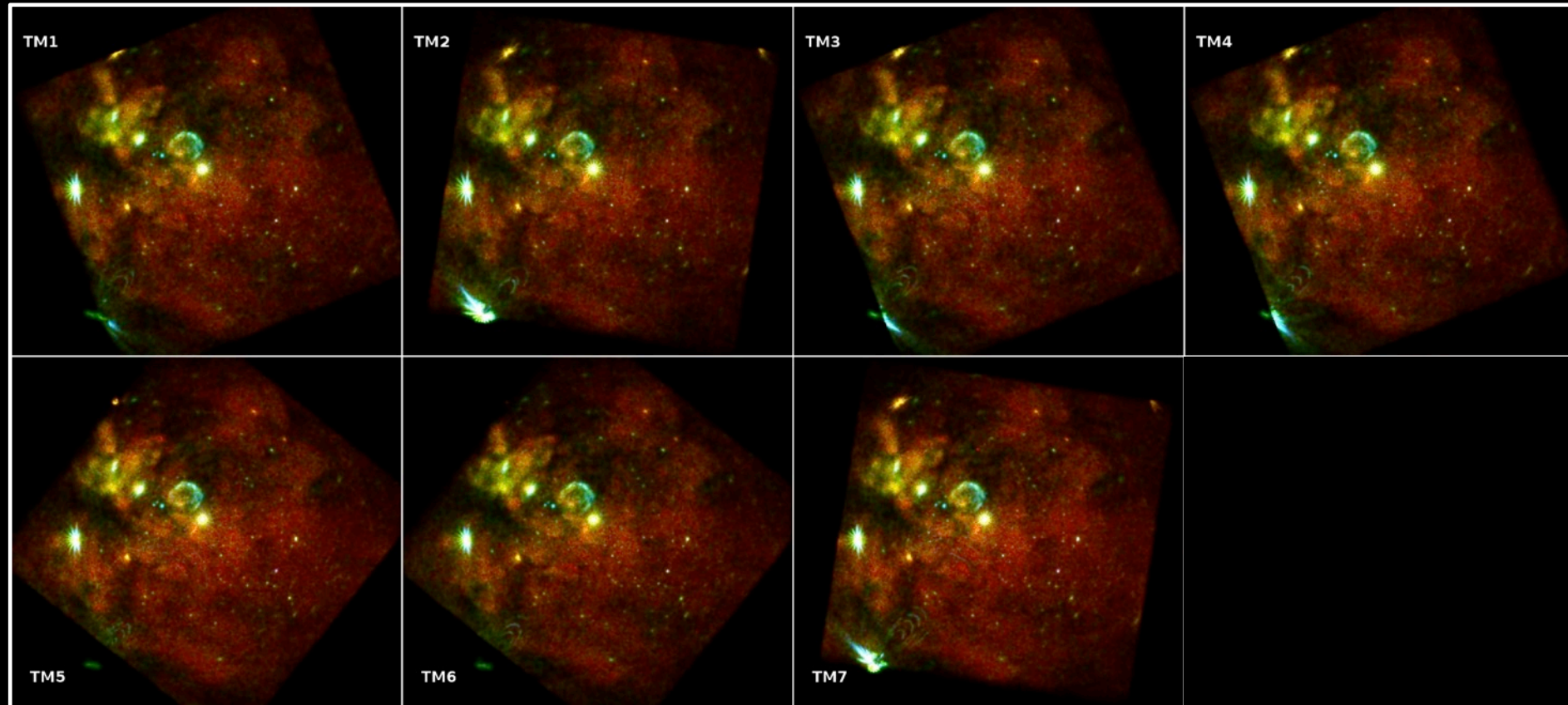
Orbit in the first 6 months



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First light: Large Magellanic Cloud

SRG/eROSITA (0.2-4.5 keV)



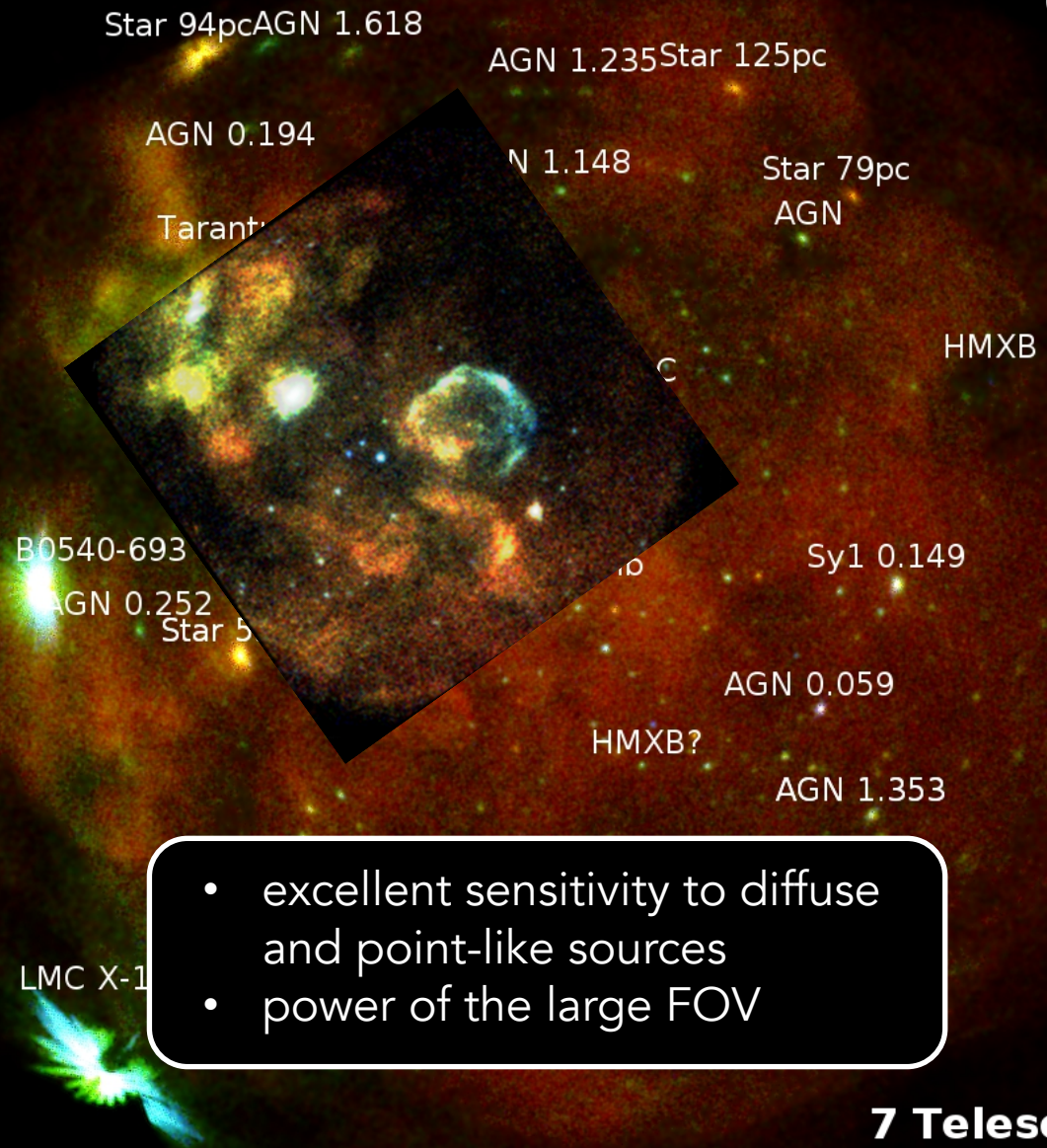
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**Zoom: first light XMM-Newton
(Dennerl et al. 2001)**

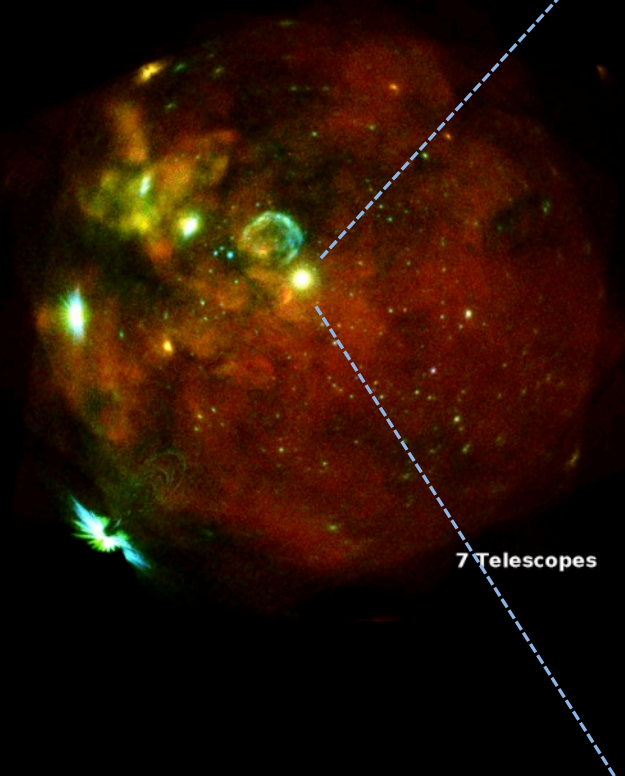


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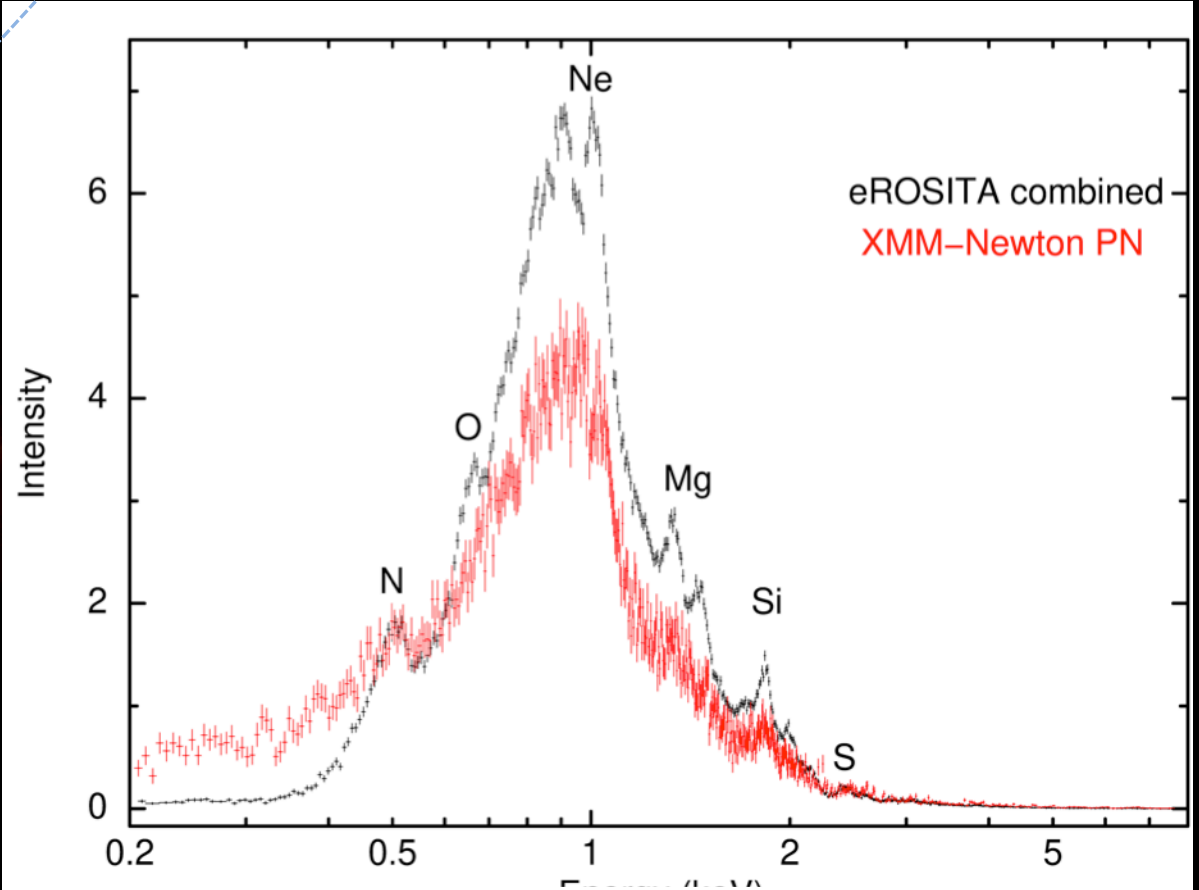
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SN 1987A in the LMC

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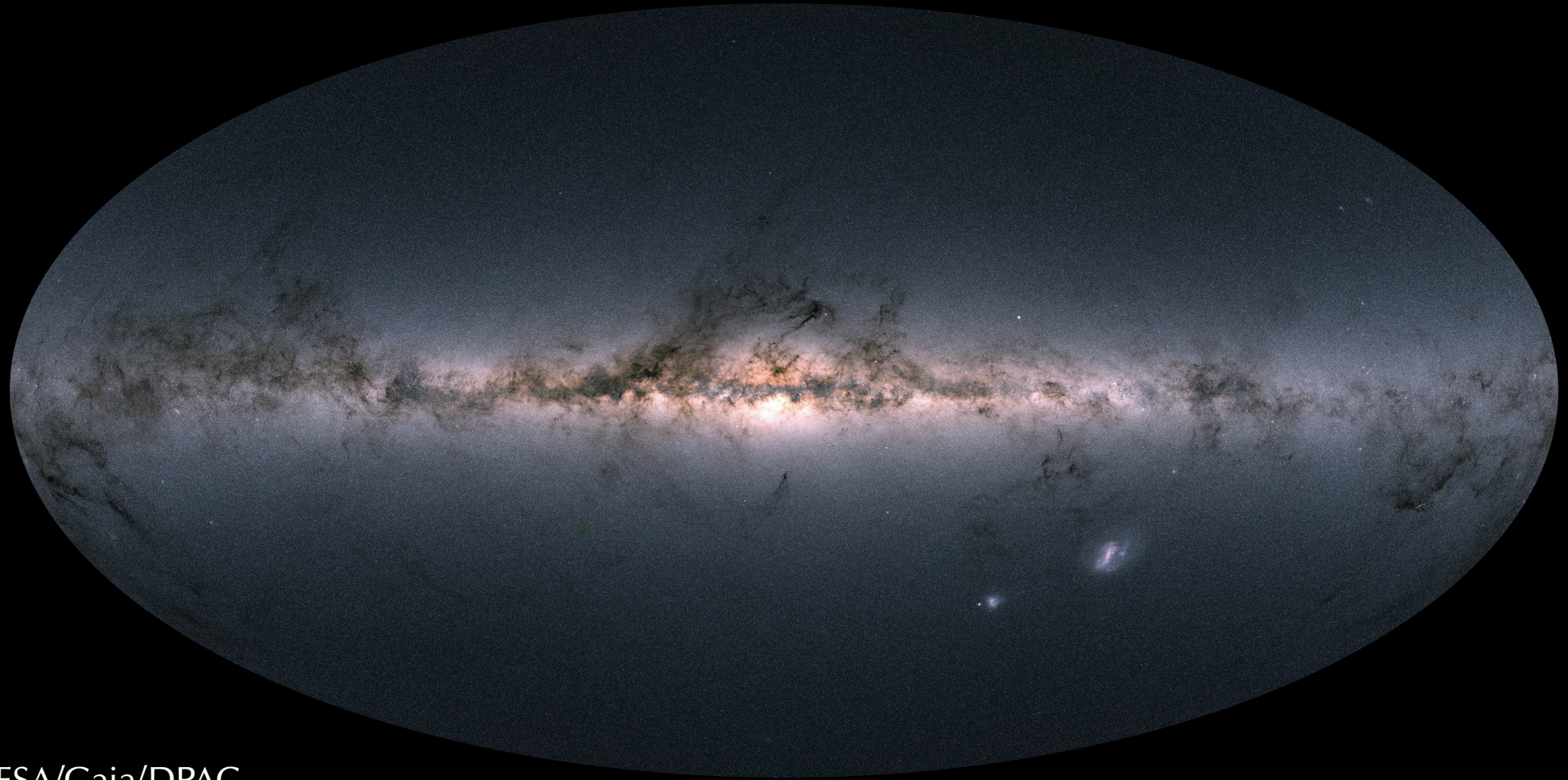
7 Telescopes



- higher throughput than XMM-Newton PN
- spectral resolution: best CCD-camera in space
50 eV@0.3 keV, 77 eV@1.5 keV

Haberl, Maitra, Freyberg. MPE

The visual Sky

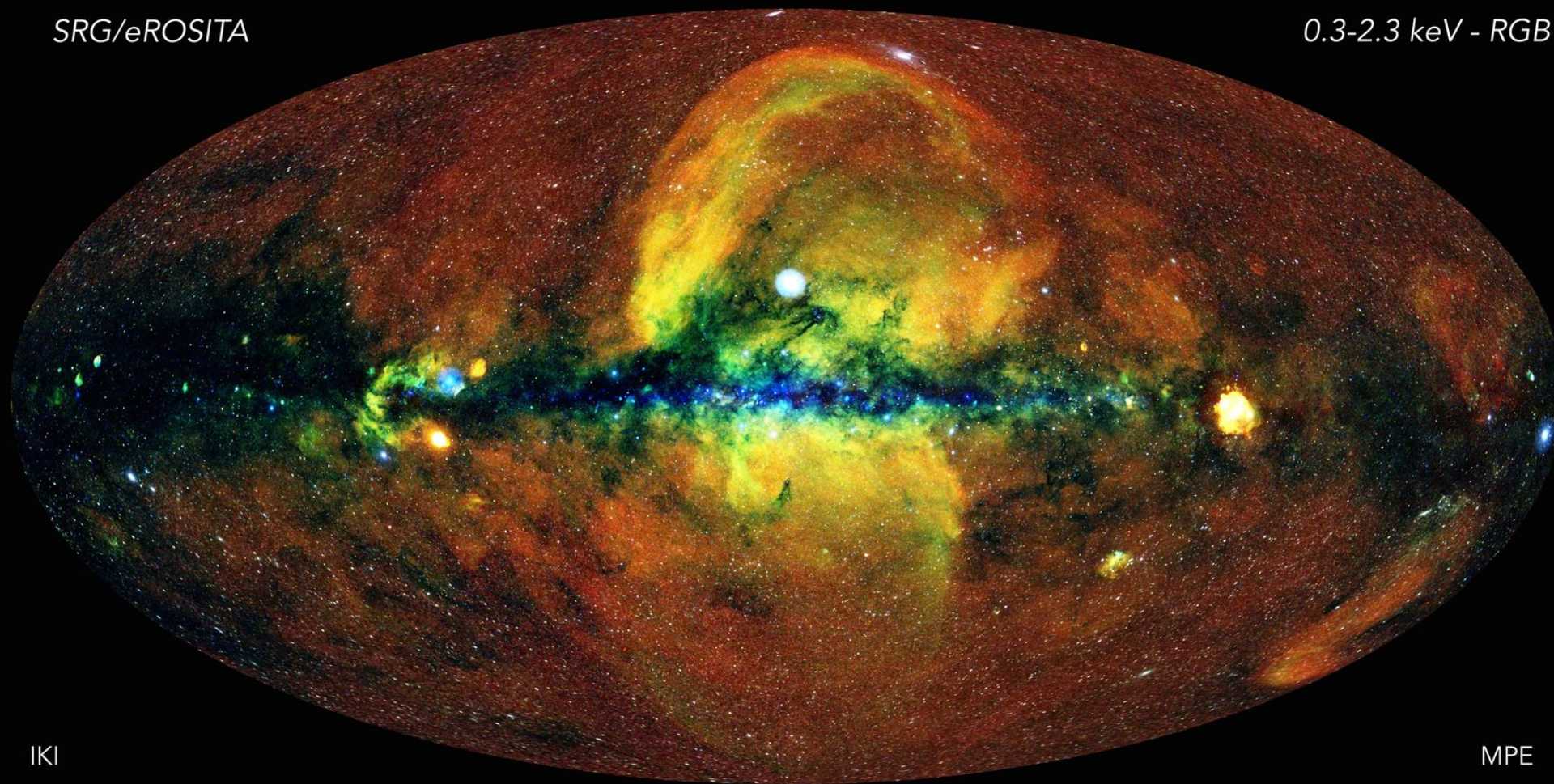


ESA/Gaia/DPAC

The first eROSITA All Sky Survey

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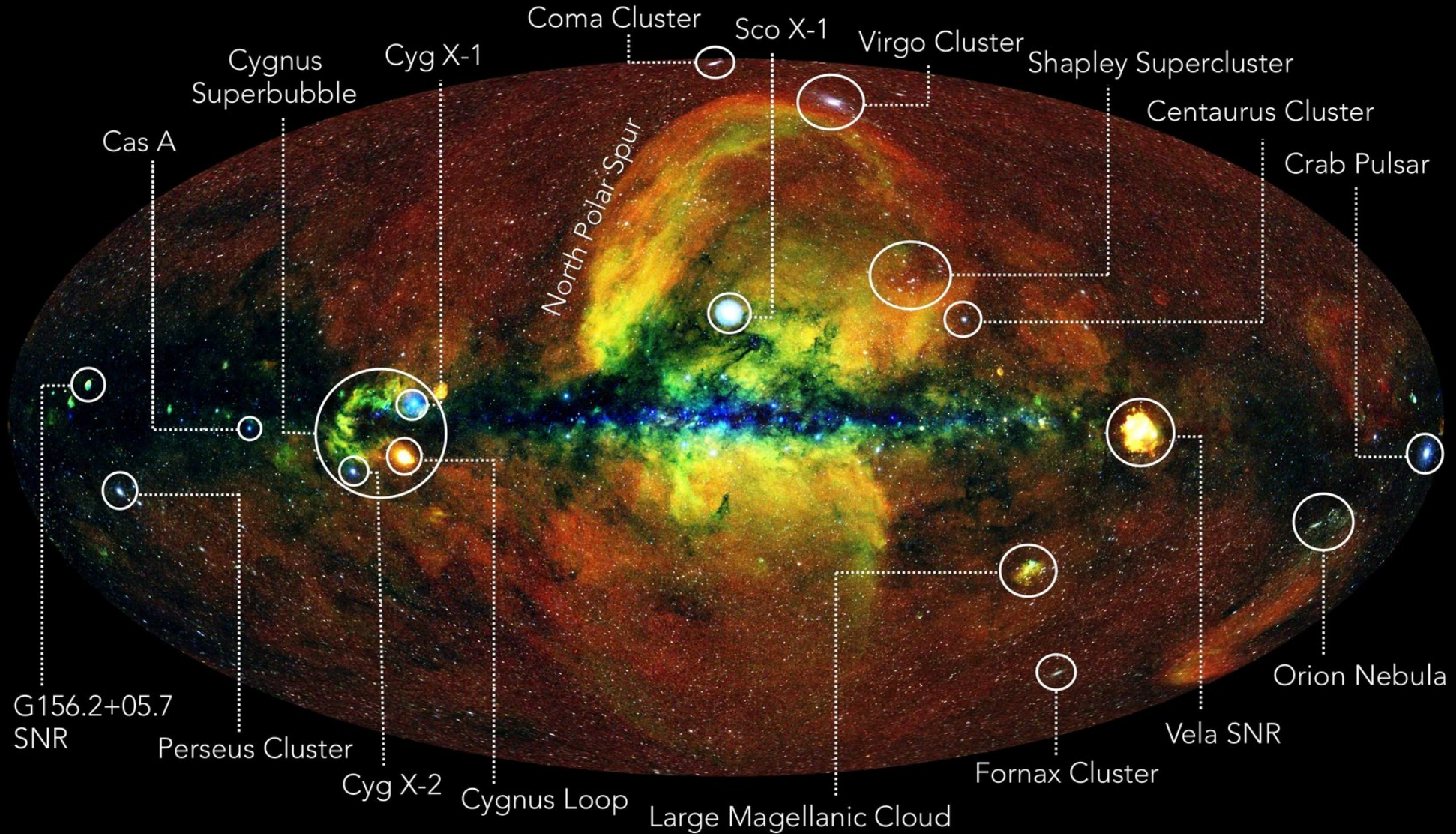
0.3-2.3 keV - RGB



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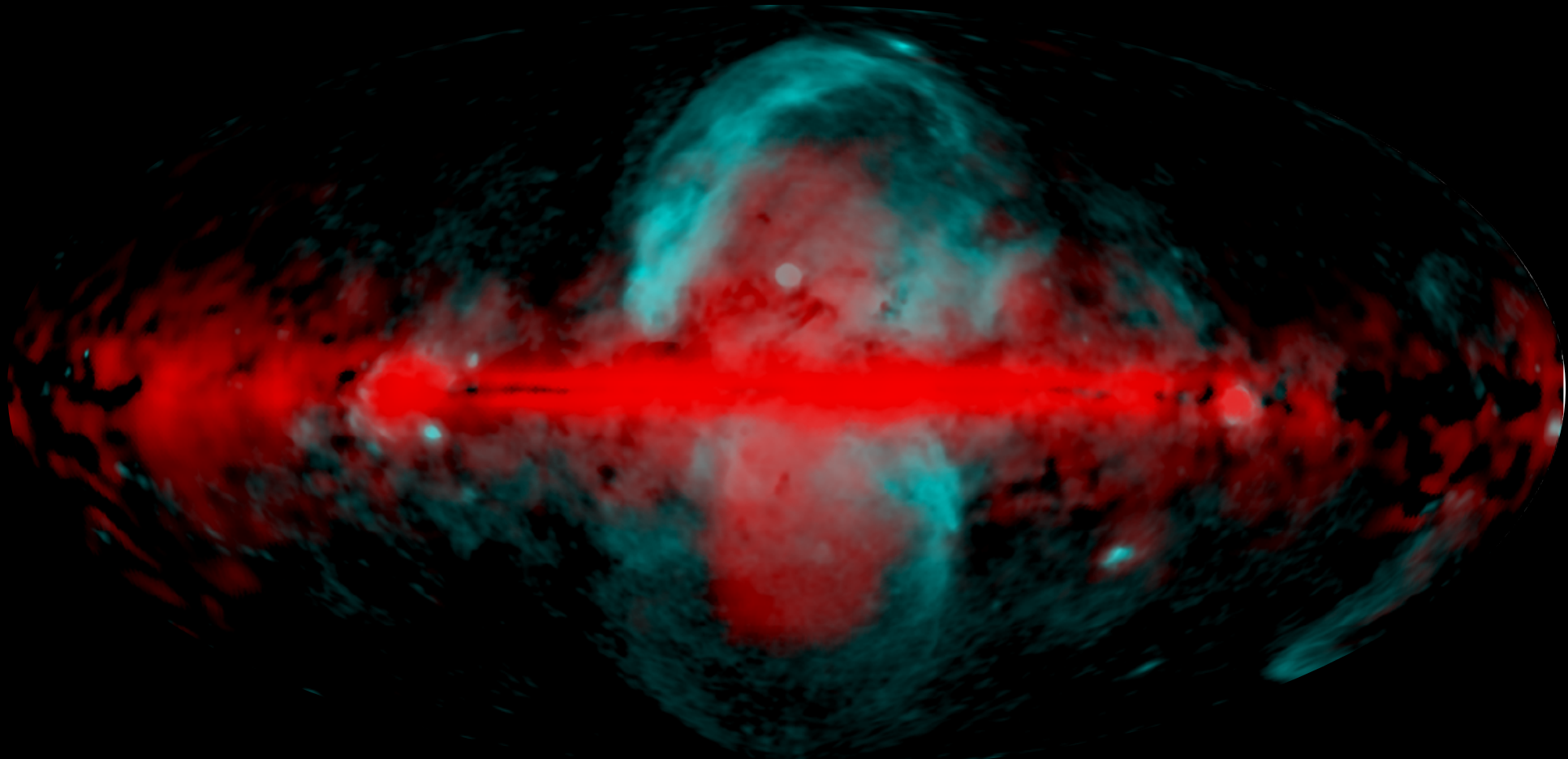
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Navigating the eROSITA X-ray sky



- 1.1 M sources
- >10k clusters
- 130 000 stars

eROSITA and the Fermi bubbles

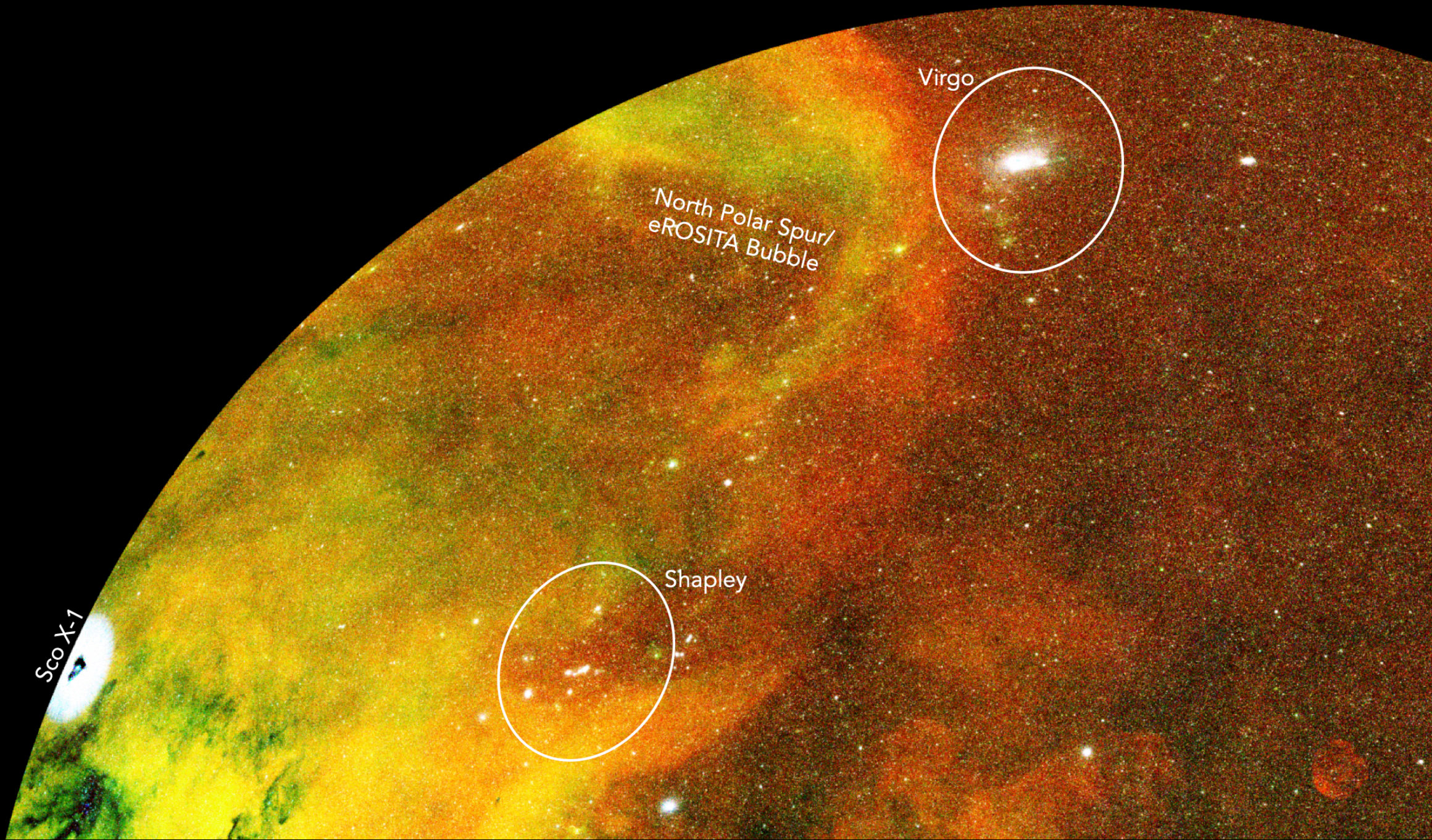


Predehl et al., 2020, Nature 588, 227

blue: X-rays (0.3–2.3 keV), red: γ -rays (20 MeV–300 GeV)

$$L_X \sim 1 \times 10^{39} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

needs $10^{41} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$ for a few Myr, due to star burst or black hole activity in Sgr A* (similar to other radio galaxies).

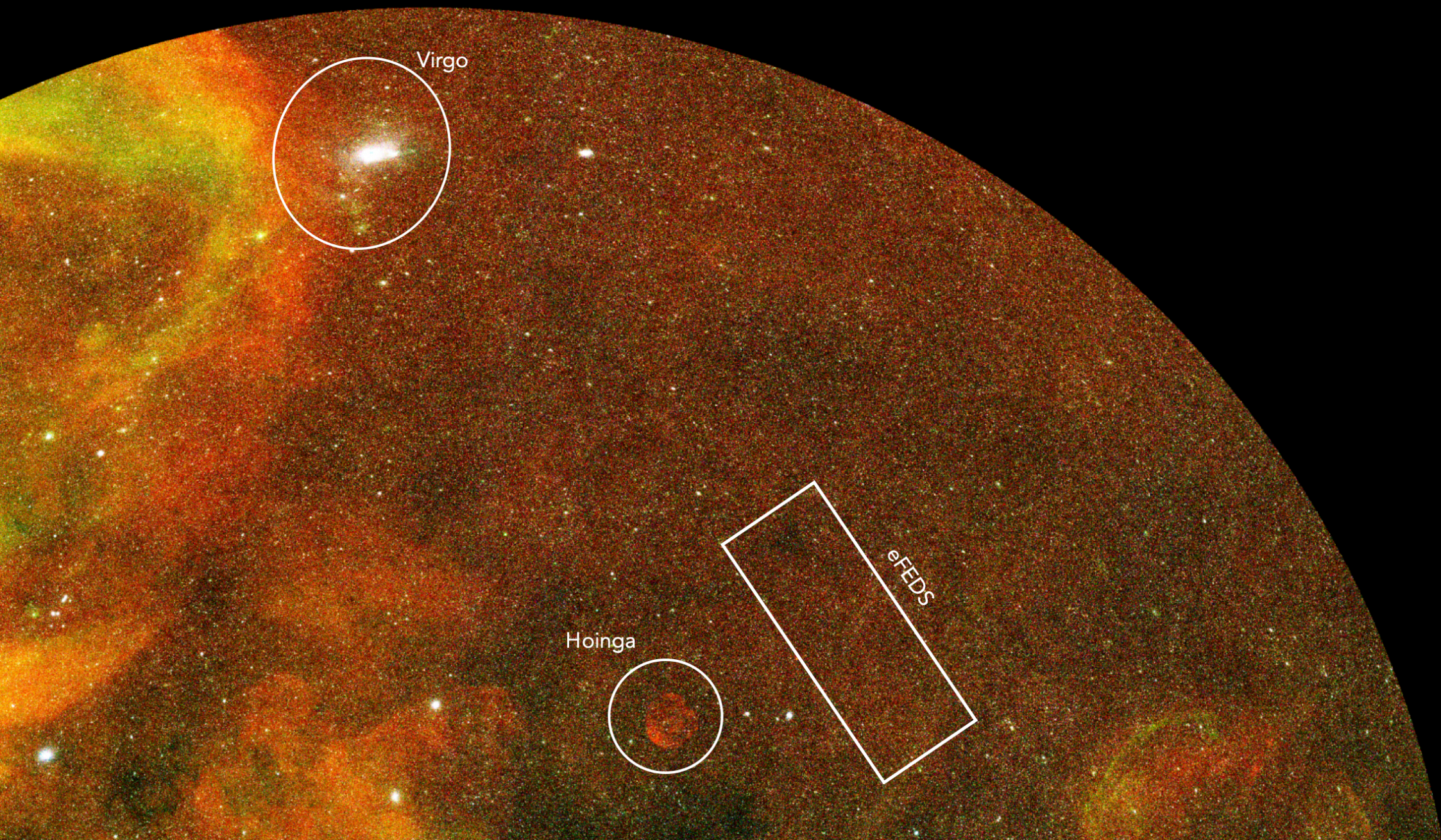


Virgo

North Polar Spur/
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Shapley

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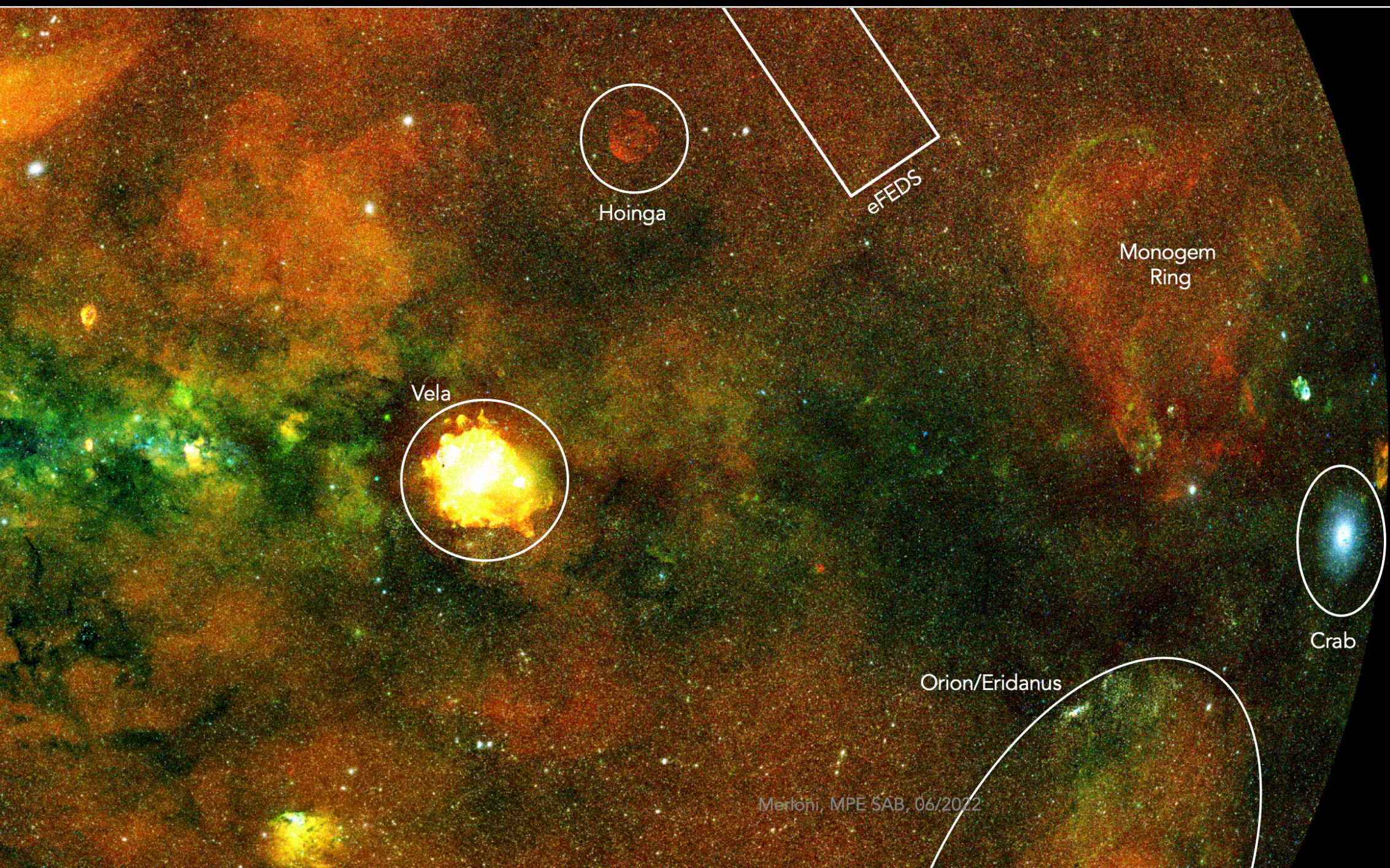


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Galactic Anti-center



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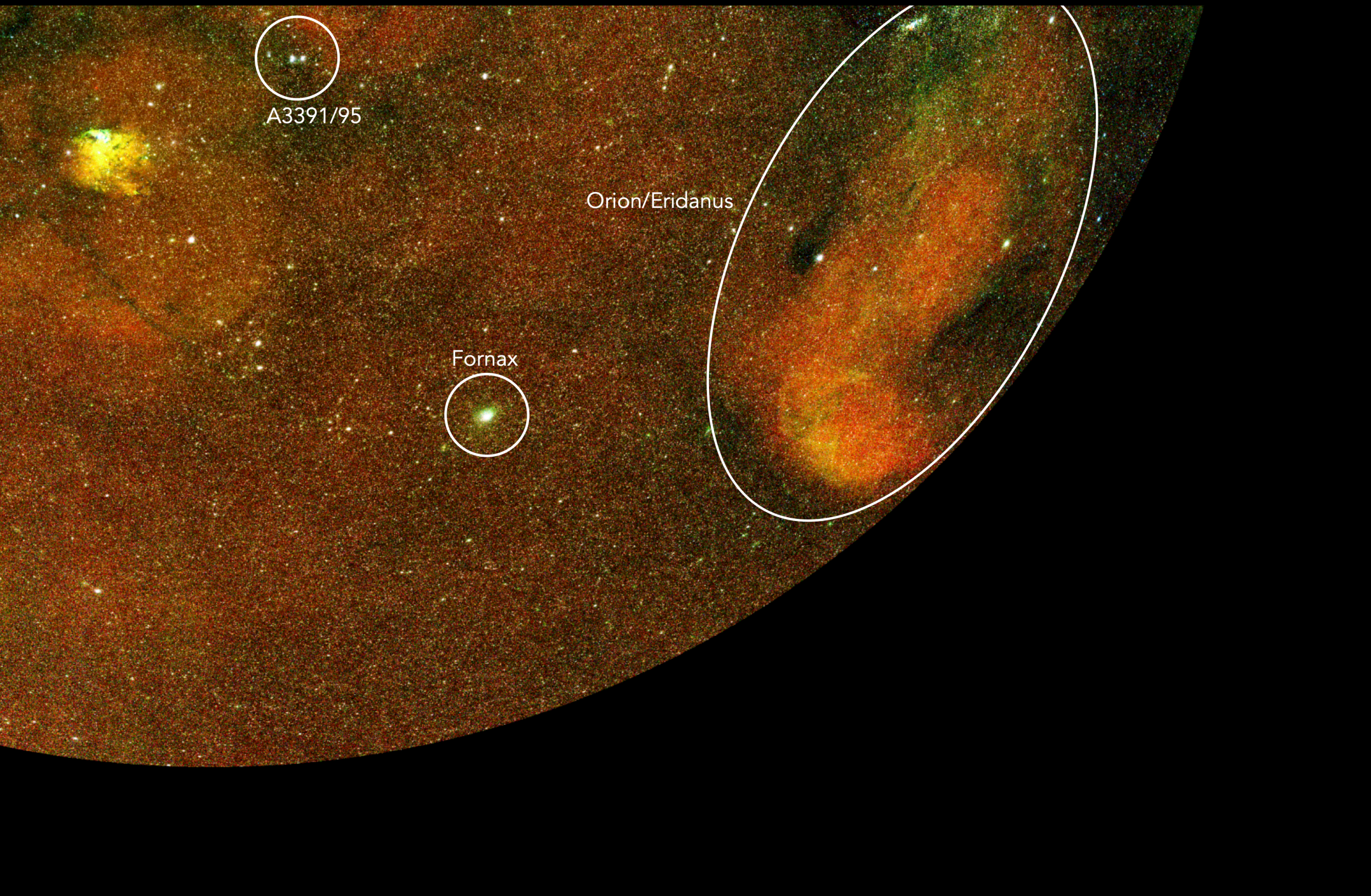
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Ring

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Crab

Orion/Eridanus

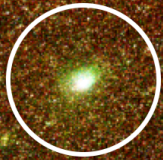
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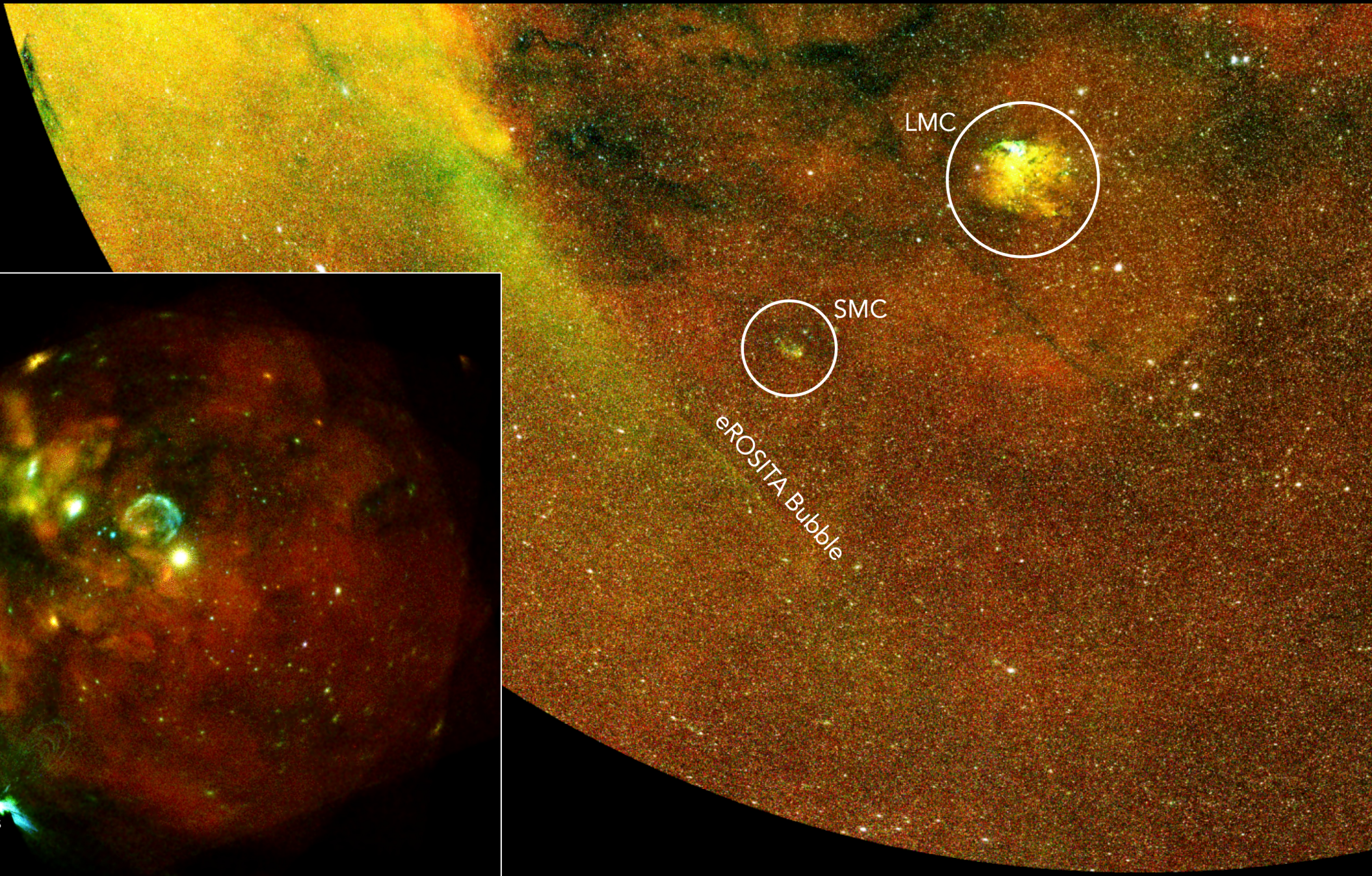
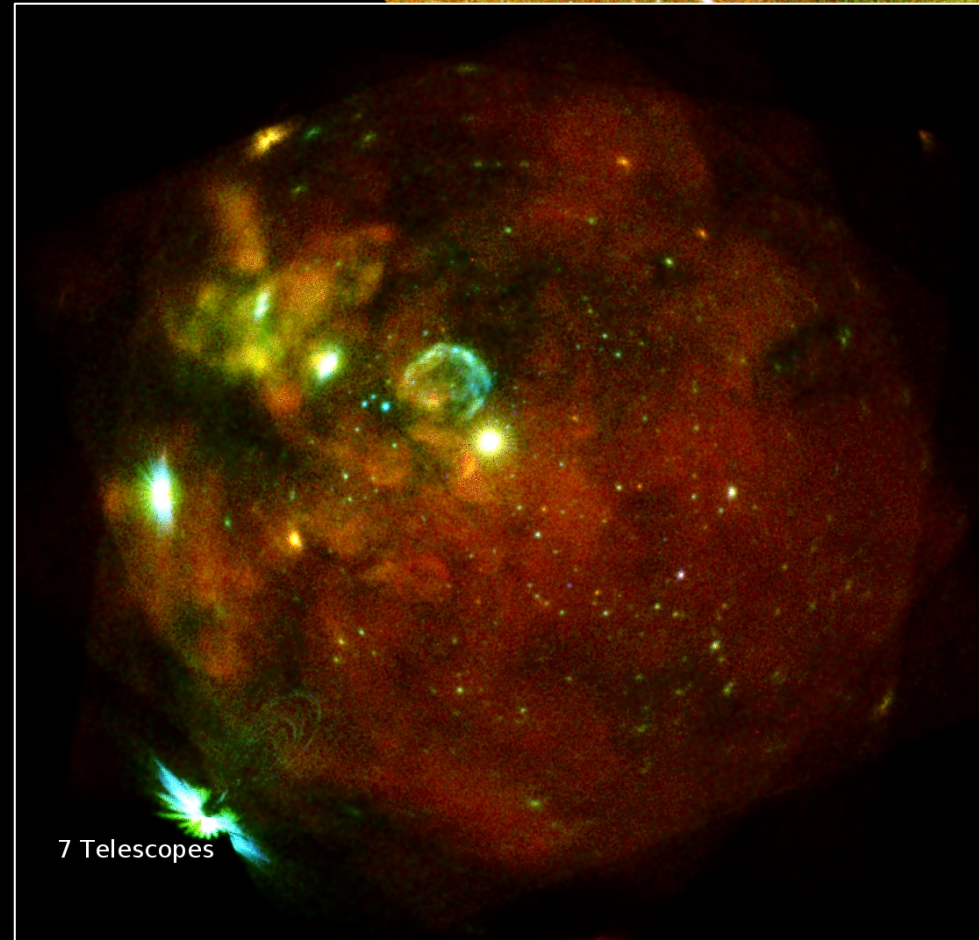


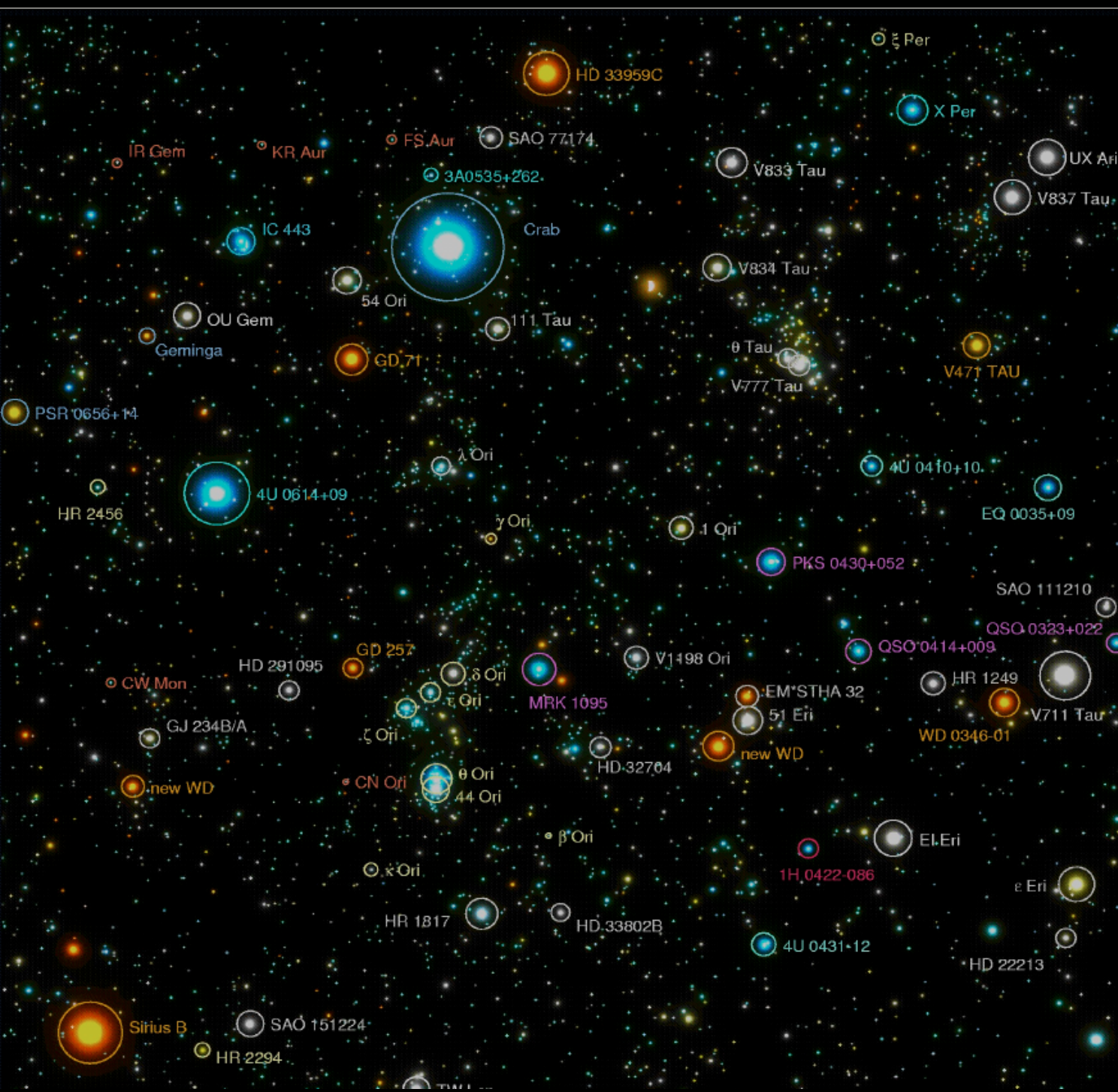
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Orion/Eridanus

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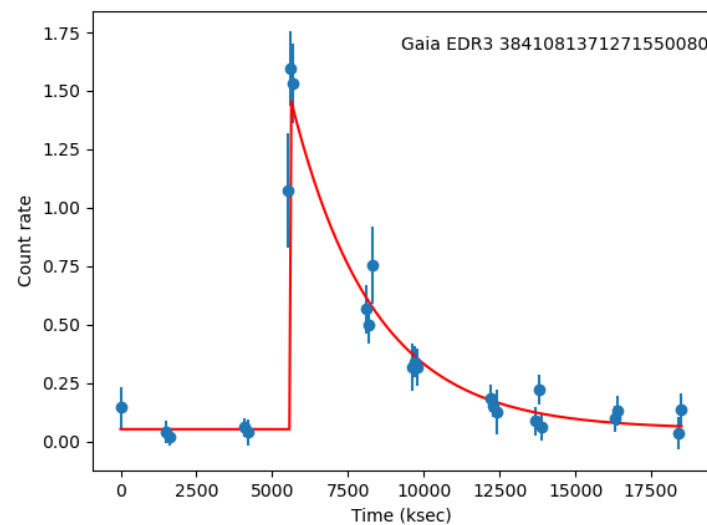
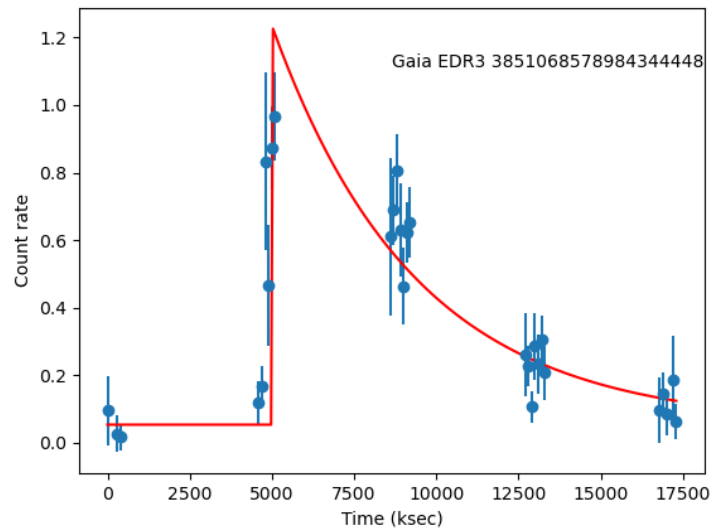
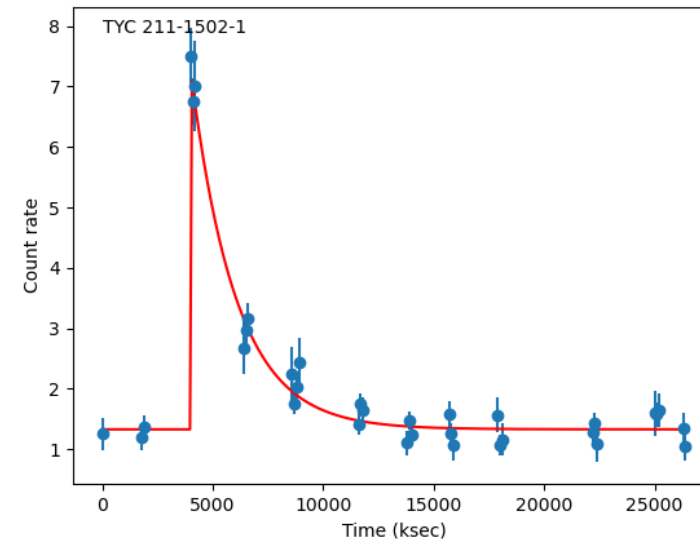
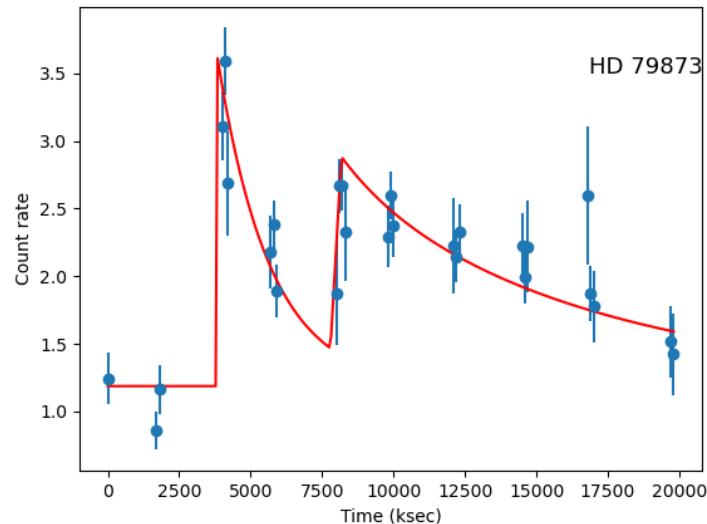
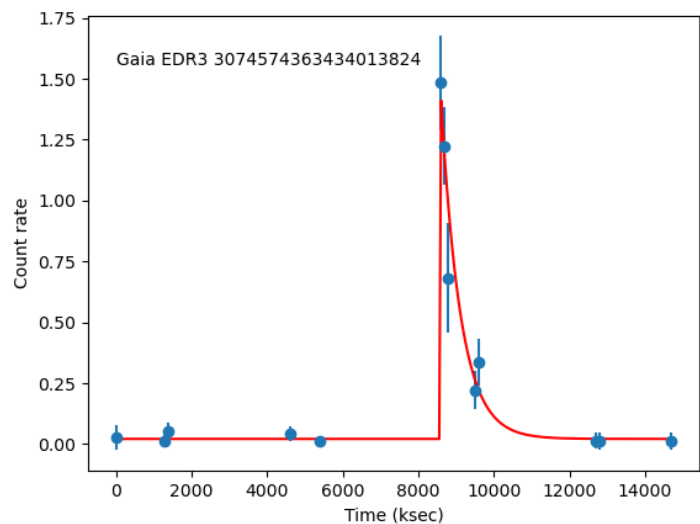


$\log L_X$	stars	distance limit
26.0	late M dwarf	10 pc
26.5	active VLM (M9) star	20 pc
27.0	Sun, Altair (A7), Prox Cen (M5)	30 pc
28.0	Procyon (F5), Eps Eri (K2)	100 pc
29.0	low-mass CTTS, active M dwarf	300 pc
30.0	EK Dra (active G2)	1 kpc
31.0	Algol, bright TTS, early B star	3 kpc
32.0	WR1, O type star	10 kpc
33.0	θ^1 Ori C (mag. O5)	30 kpc

Stellar science:

- **Stellar population studies**
activity vs. age, rotation, M, T...
- **Dynamo theory**
saturation effects, L_X/L_{bol} evolution, transition at convective boundary
- **Local SFH, gal. structure**
young nearby stars
- **properties of the SFR in various regions**
masses, IMF, SFH,...

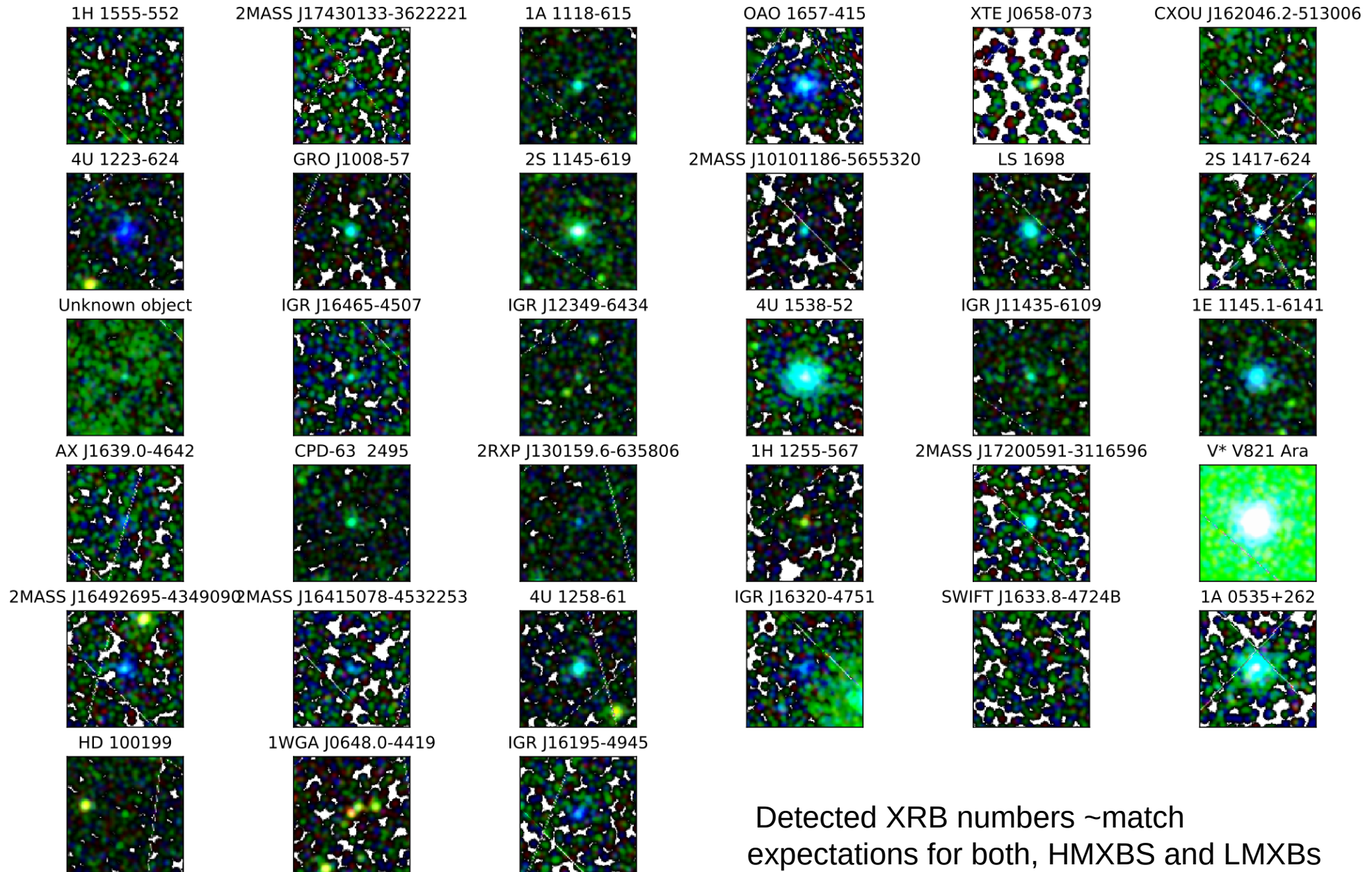
Stars



eFEDS field: strong stellar variability

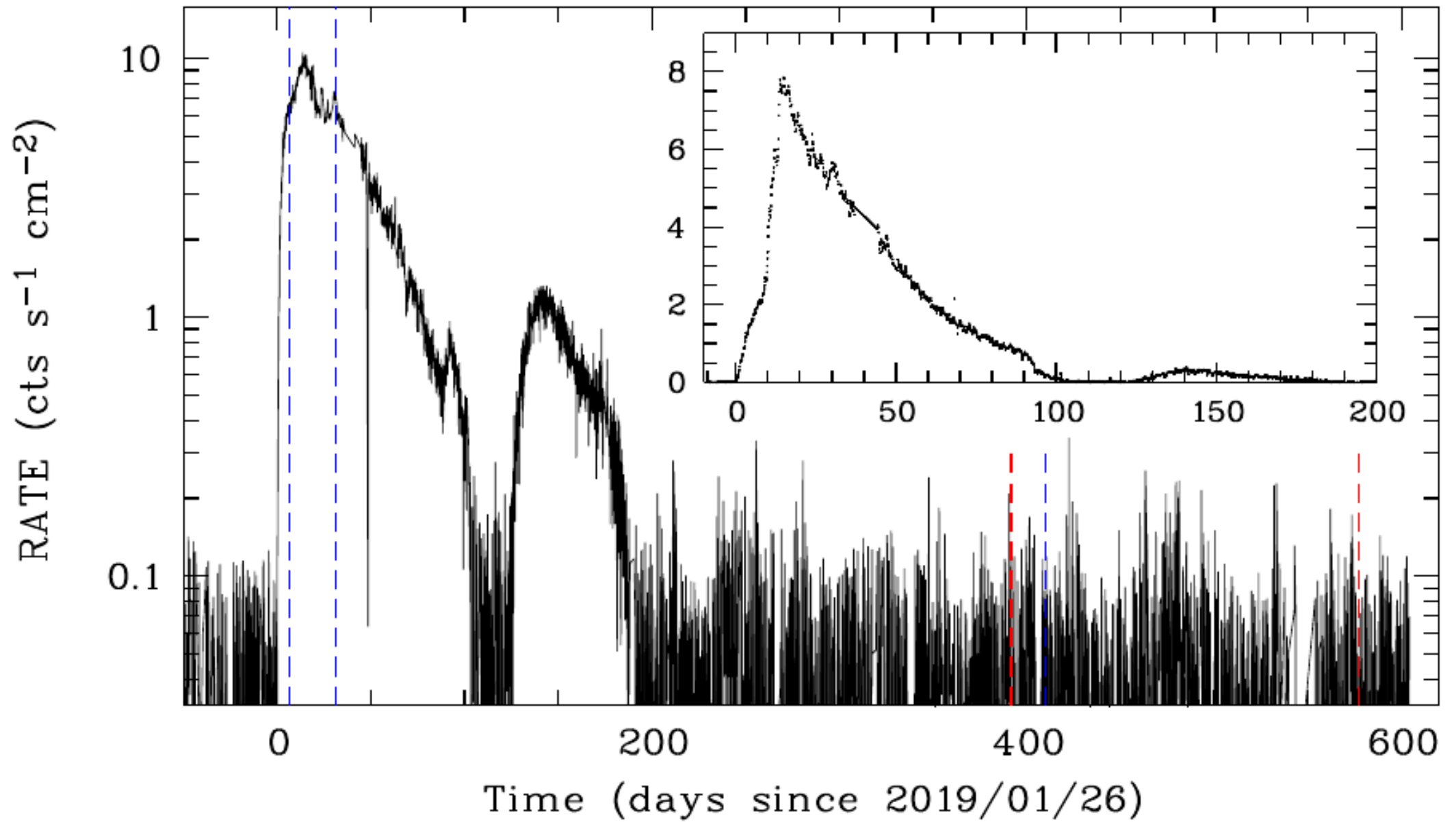
eRASS provides extension to the whole sky (trigger on multiple stellar flares per day)

Some of the known HMXBs in eRASS (family portrait)

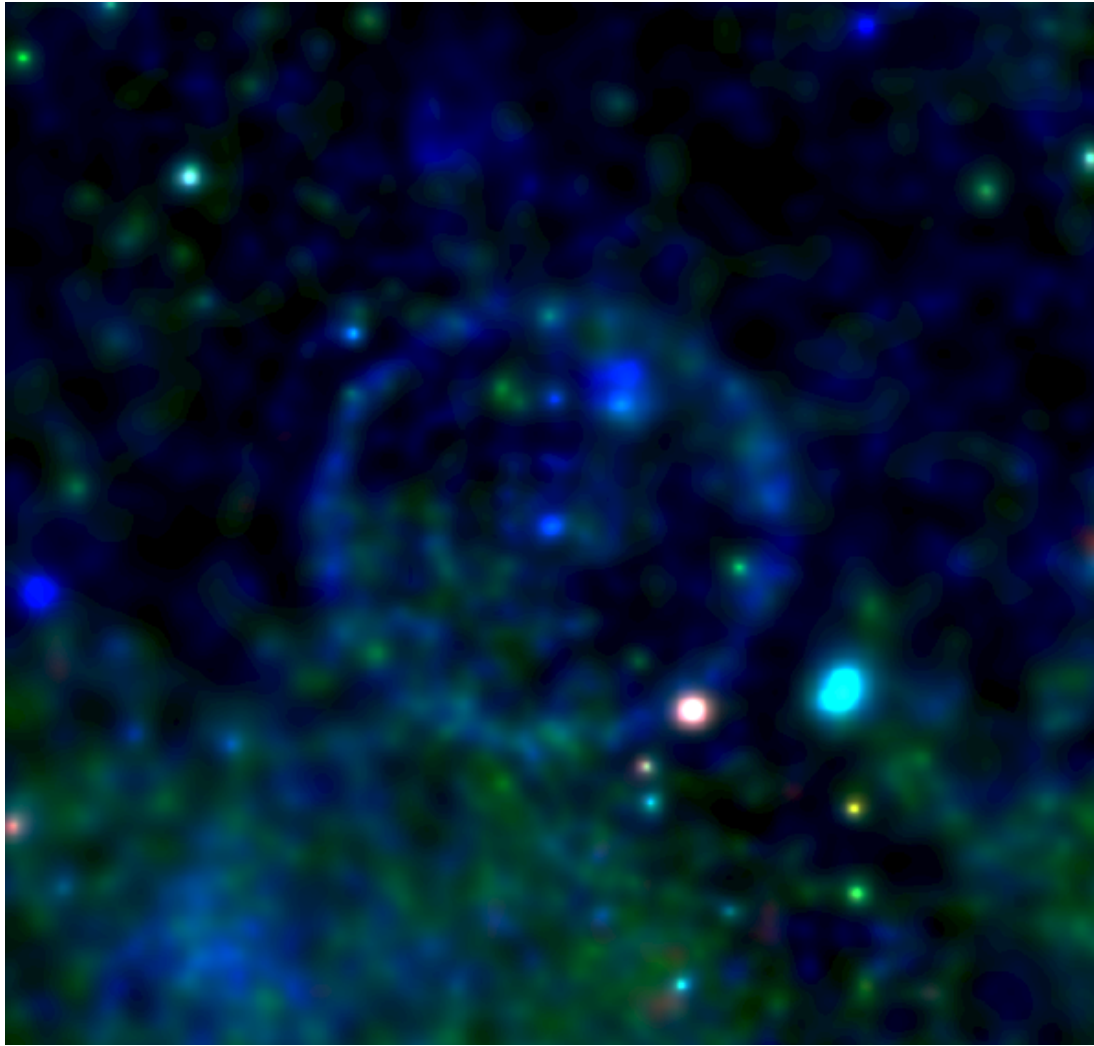


Detected XRB numbers ~match expectations for both, HMXBS and LMXBs

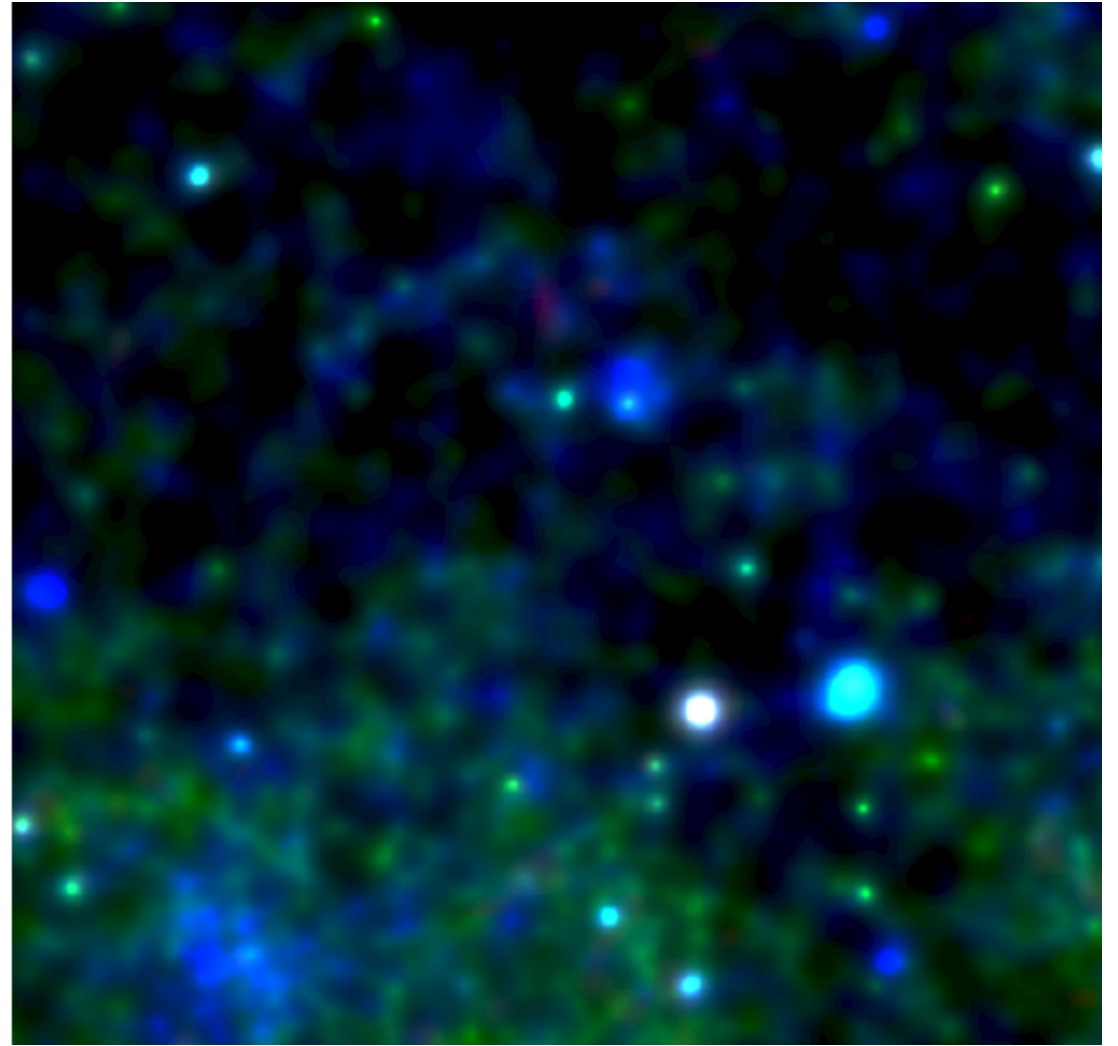
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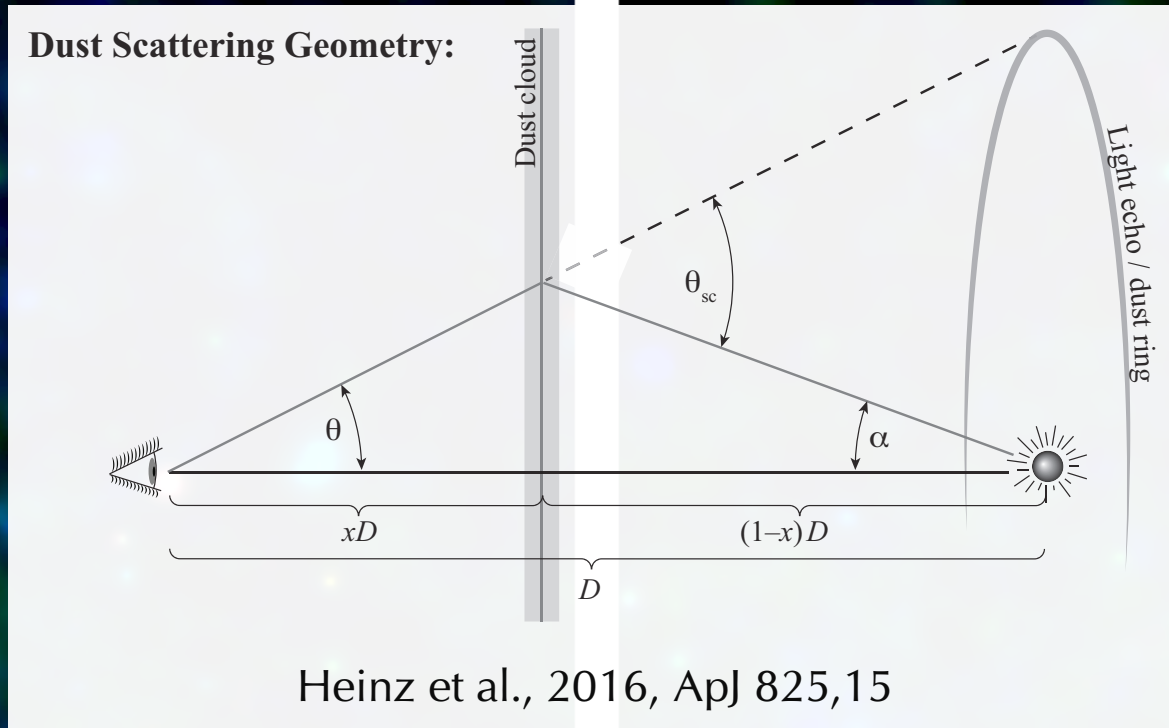
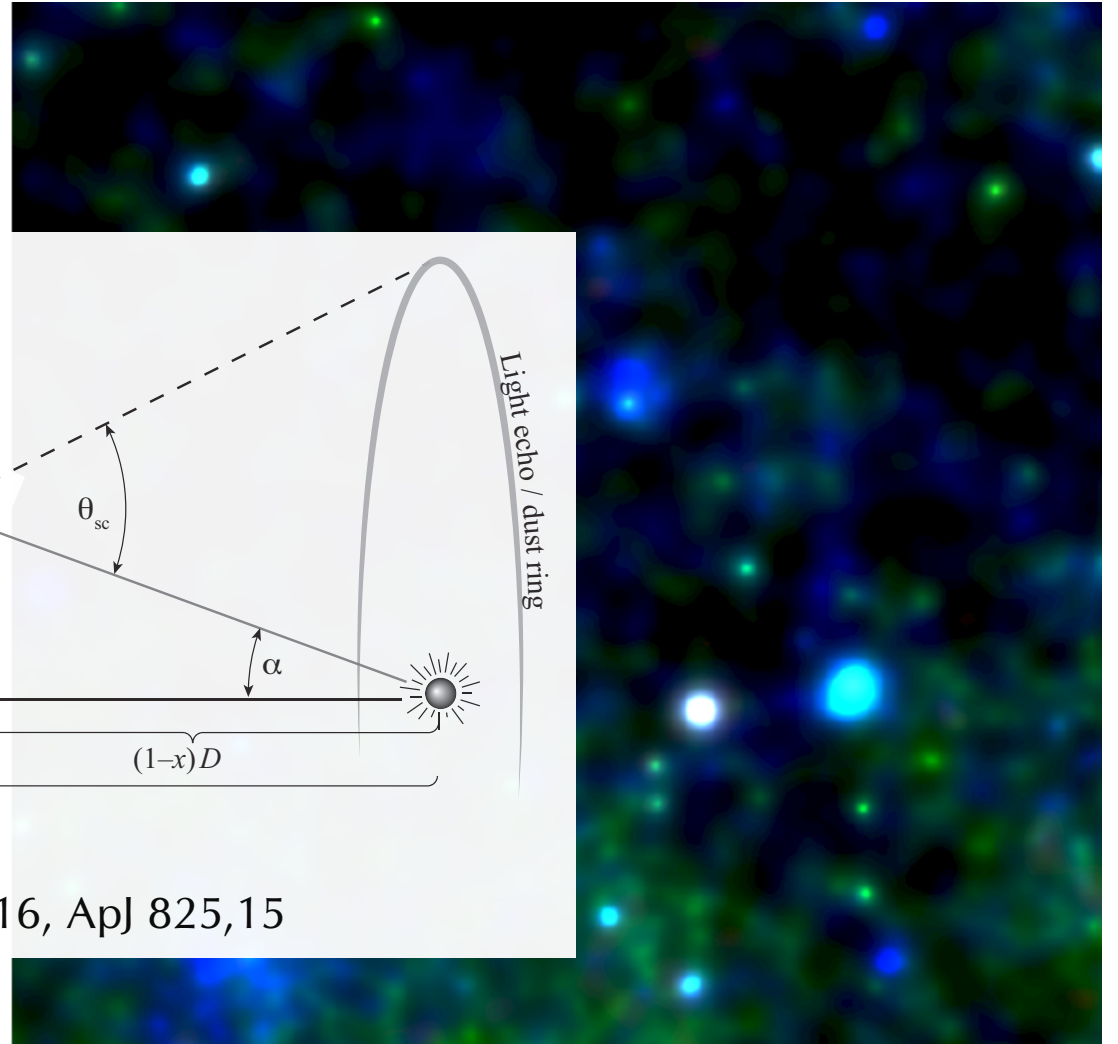
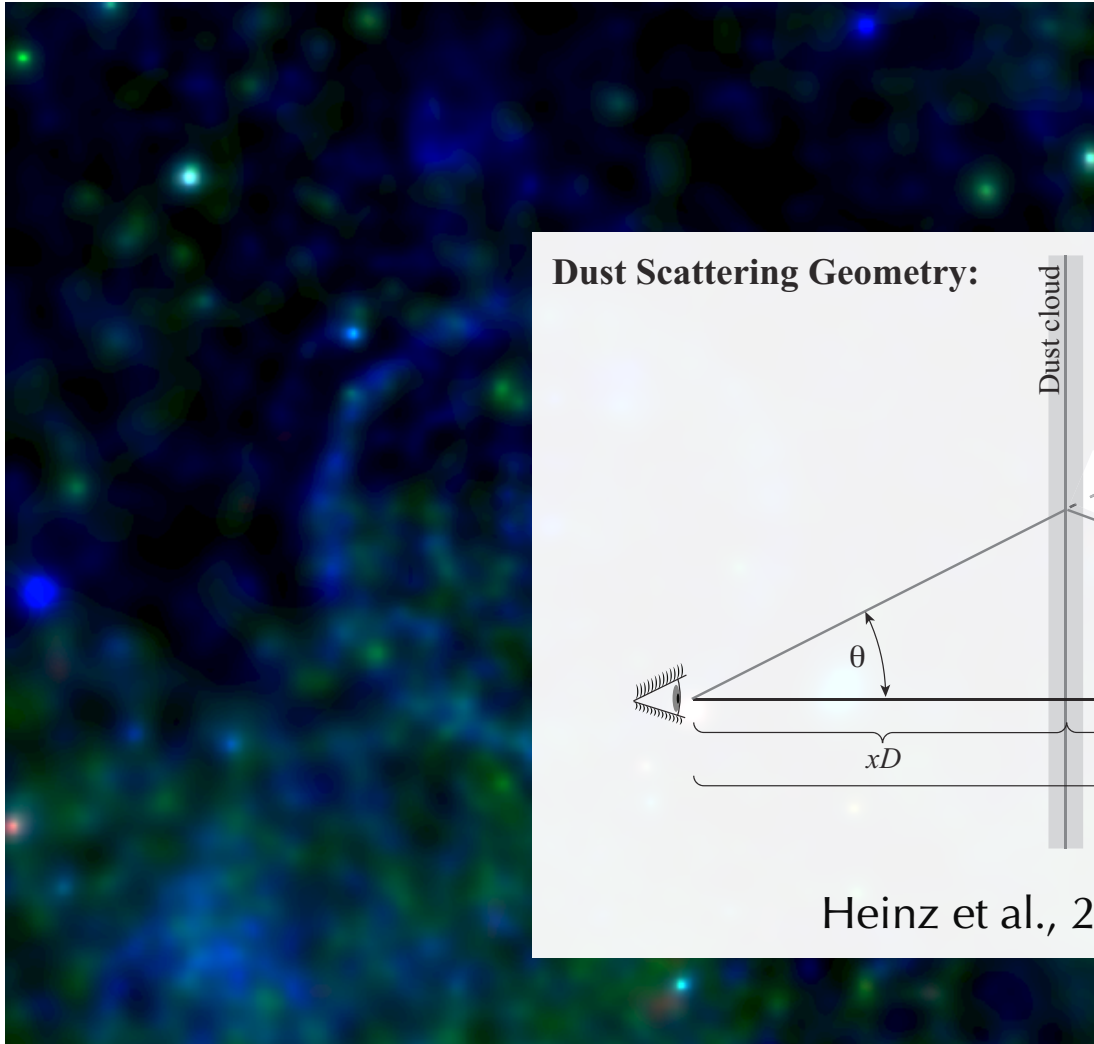
eRASS1



eRASS2

$3^\circ \times 3^\circ$; Lamer et al. (2021, A&A 647, 7)

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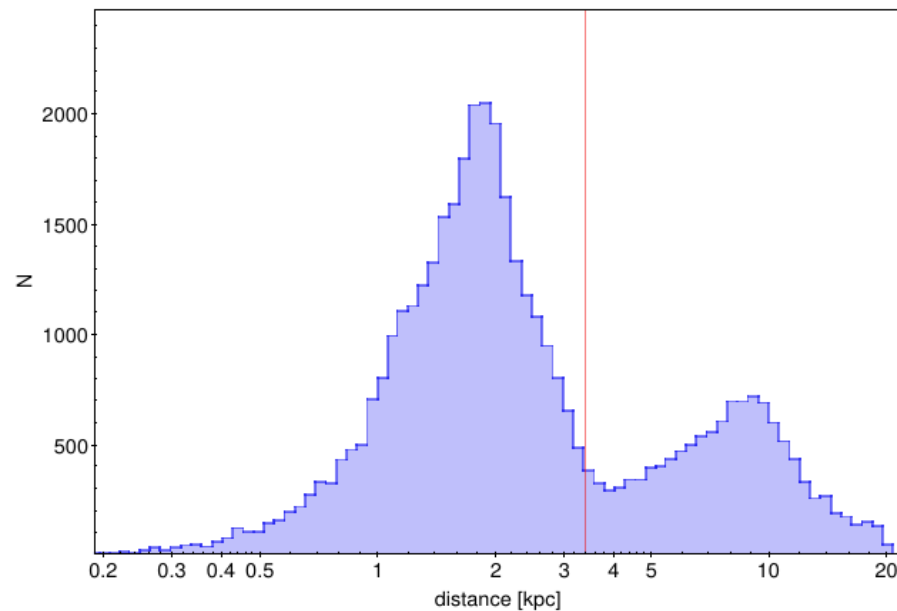
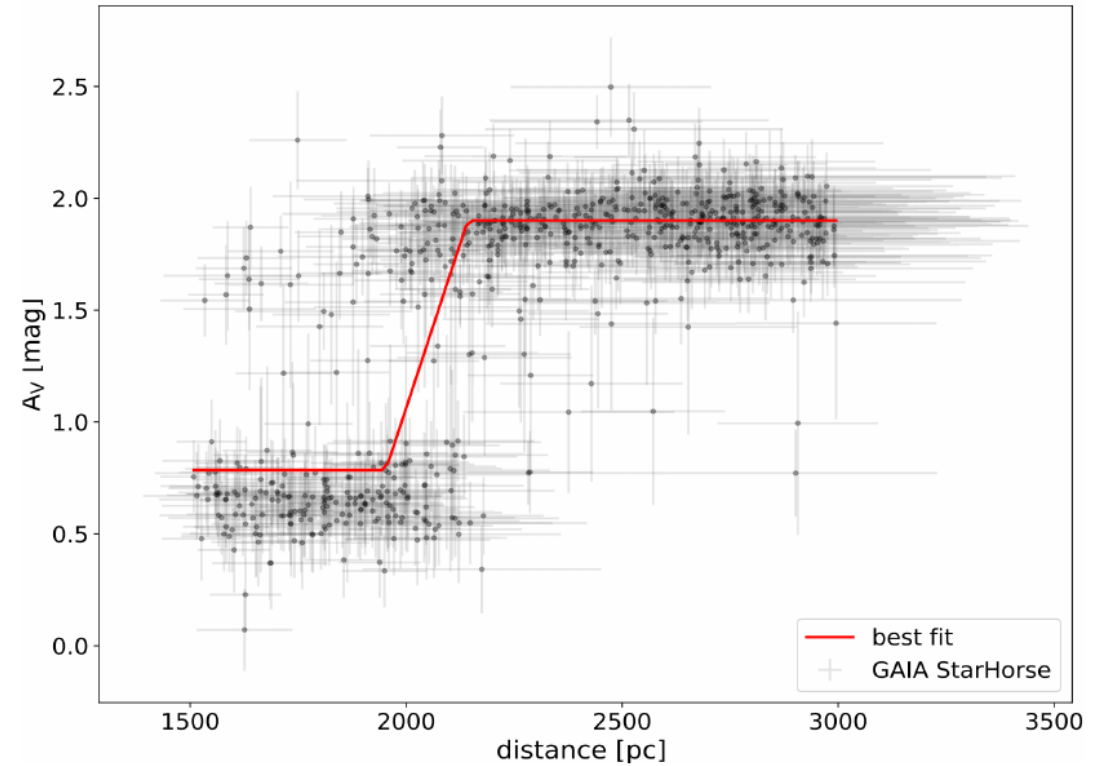
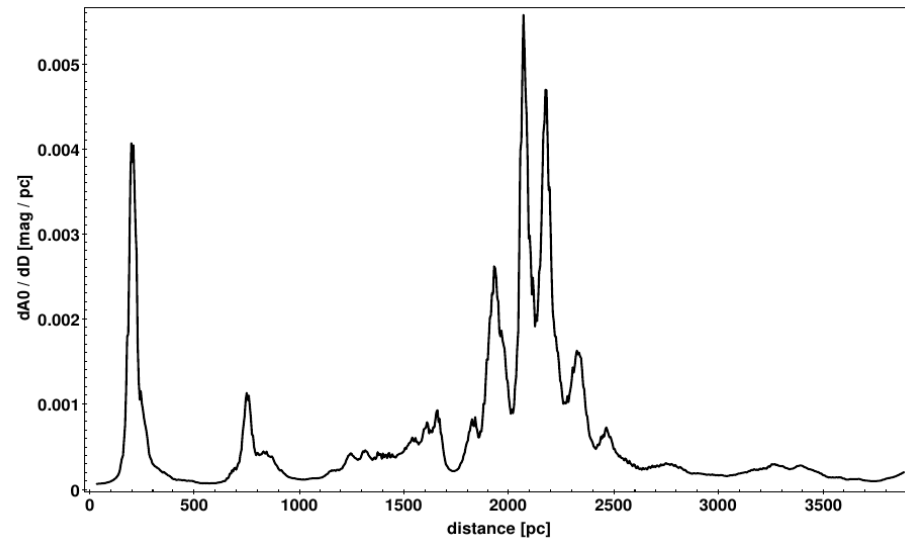


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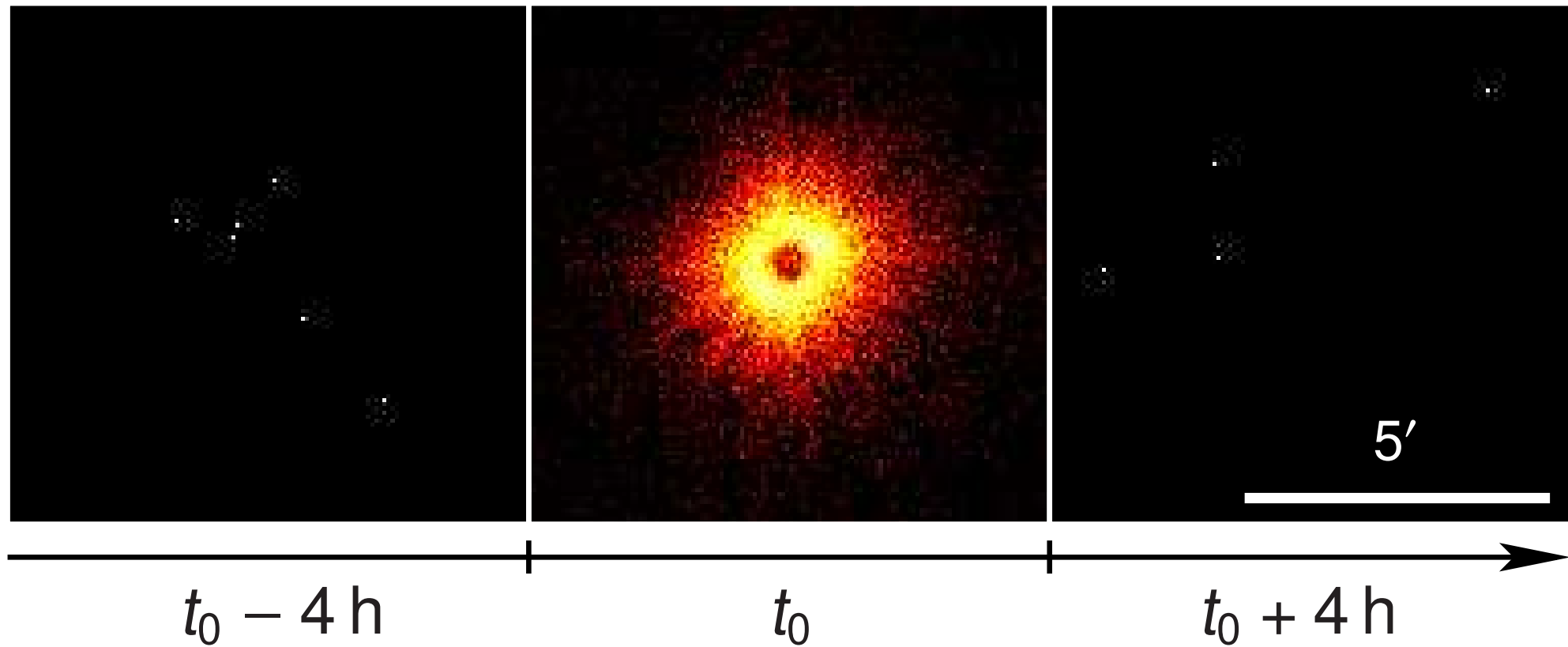


Gaia: dust cloud at 2047 ± 22 pc

\Rightarrow Geometrical distance of BH: 3390^{+46}_{-43} pc

(syst. ± 339 pc [Gaia])

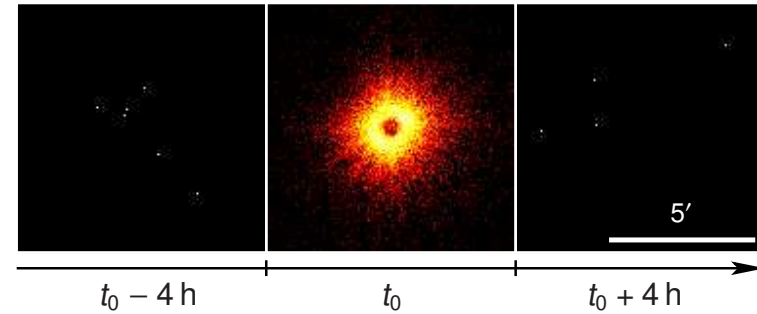
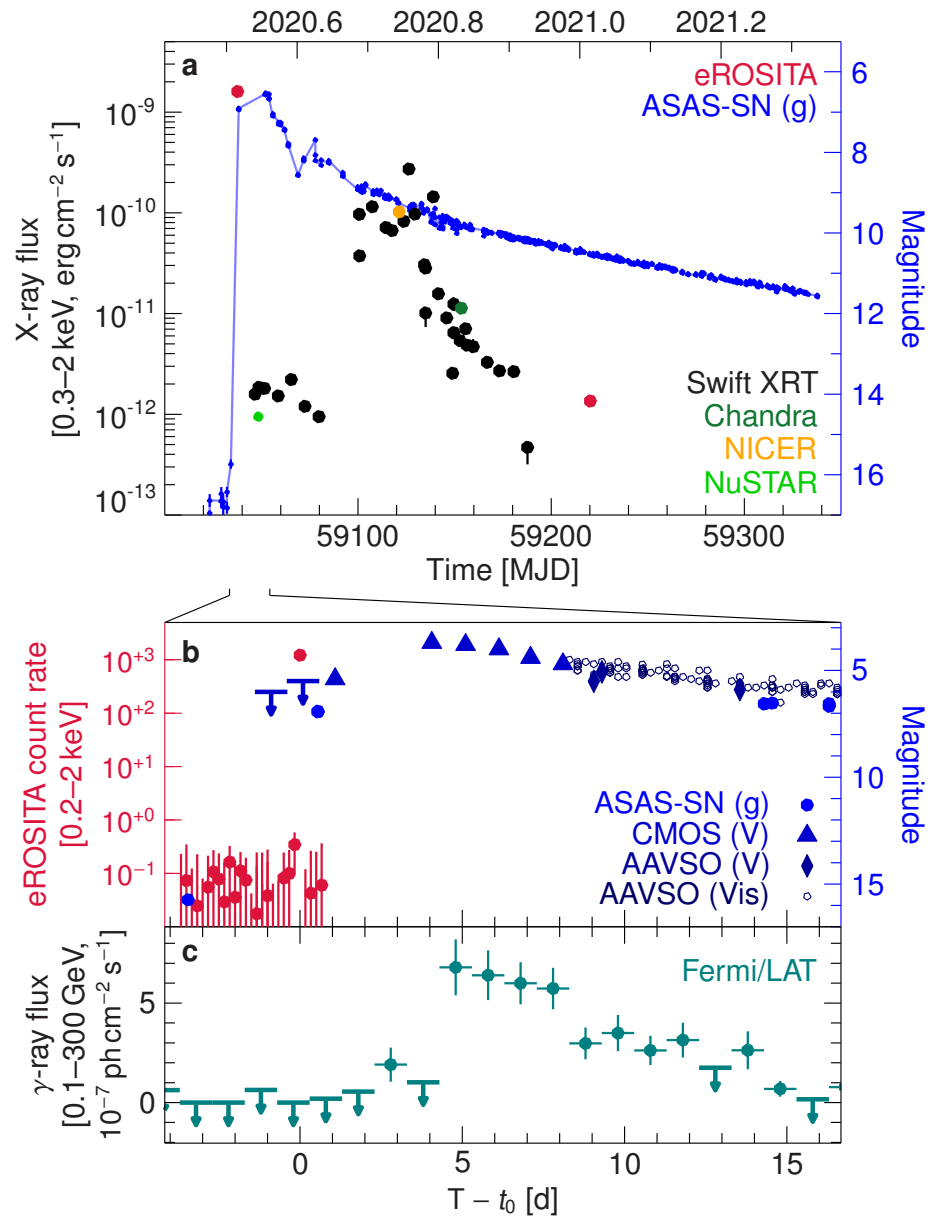
Nova



YZ Ret (Nova Reticuli 2020): Extremely bright source seen 2020-07-07, 16:47; no detection 4 h before or after

Nova

König et al. (2022, Nature)



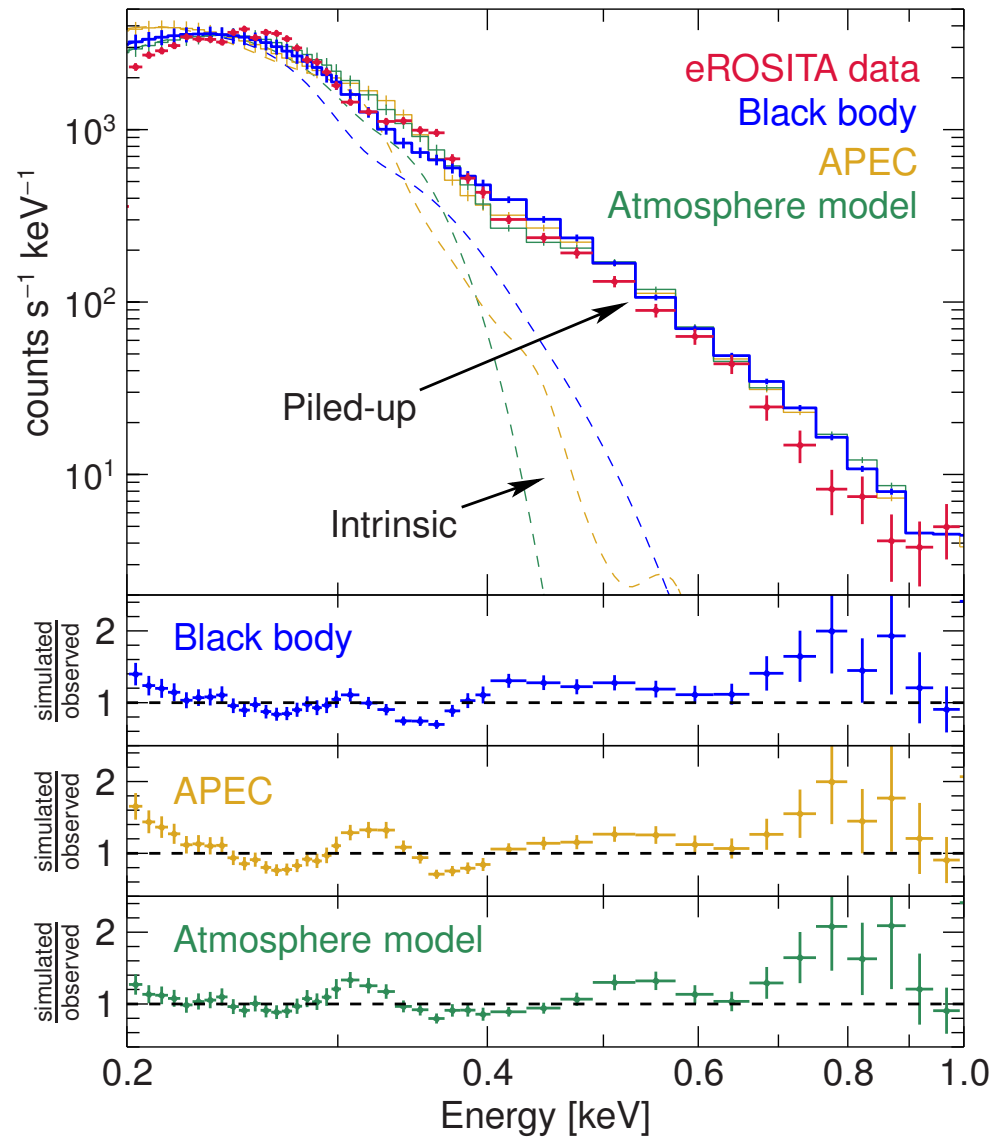
X-ray seen *before* optical

First detection of an X-ray flash

30 yr after prediction (Starrfield et al., 1990).

Nova

König et al. (2022, Nature)



Spectrum “piled up”

$$(F_{0.2-10\text{keV}} = 1.86_{-0.23}^{+0.38} \times 10^{-8} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1})$$

Modeling: extremely difficult because of detector effects

- black body

$$kT = 28.2_{-2.8}^{+0.9} \text{ eV}, L = 2.0(1.2) \times 10^{38} \text{ erg s}^{-1}, R = 50000 \pm 18000 \text{ km}$$

- atmosphere model

$$kT = 27.1_{-0.5}^{+1.2} \text{ eV}, L = 0.98(22) \times 10^{38} \text{ erg s}^{-1}, R = 37000 \pm 2900 \text{ km}, \log g = 6.97 \pm 0.17$$

atmosphere yields

$$M_{\text{WD}} = (0.98 \pm 0.23) M_{\odot}$$

consistent w/explosion models; Hillman et al. (2014)

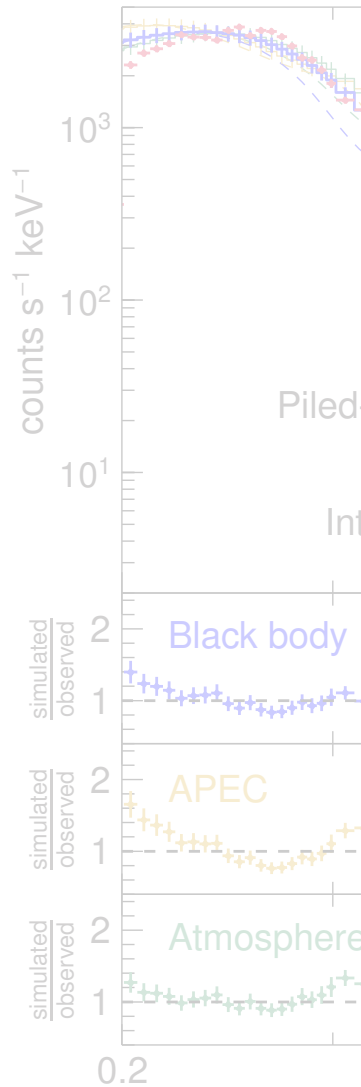
nature

NOVA FIREBALL

Short burst of X-rays
reveals early stage of an
explosion on a white dwarf



König et al. (2022, Nature)



Lunar ambitions
The countries and companies gearing up for a trip to the Moon

Financial risks
Find and protect vulnerable parts of the global economy

Origins of life
RNA and amino acids work together on early Earth

$10^{-8} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$)

difficult because of

$$L = 2.0(1.2) \times 10^{37} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$
$$R = 1000 \pm 18000 \text{ km}$$

$$L = 0.98(22) \times 10^{37} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$
$$R = 7000 \pm 2900 \text{ km,}$$

$1 M_{\odot}$

models; Hillman et al.

Blazars

total matches: 7344 within 8 arcsec

uncertain blazar type: 661

BL Lac-galaxy dominated: 44

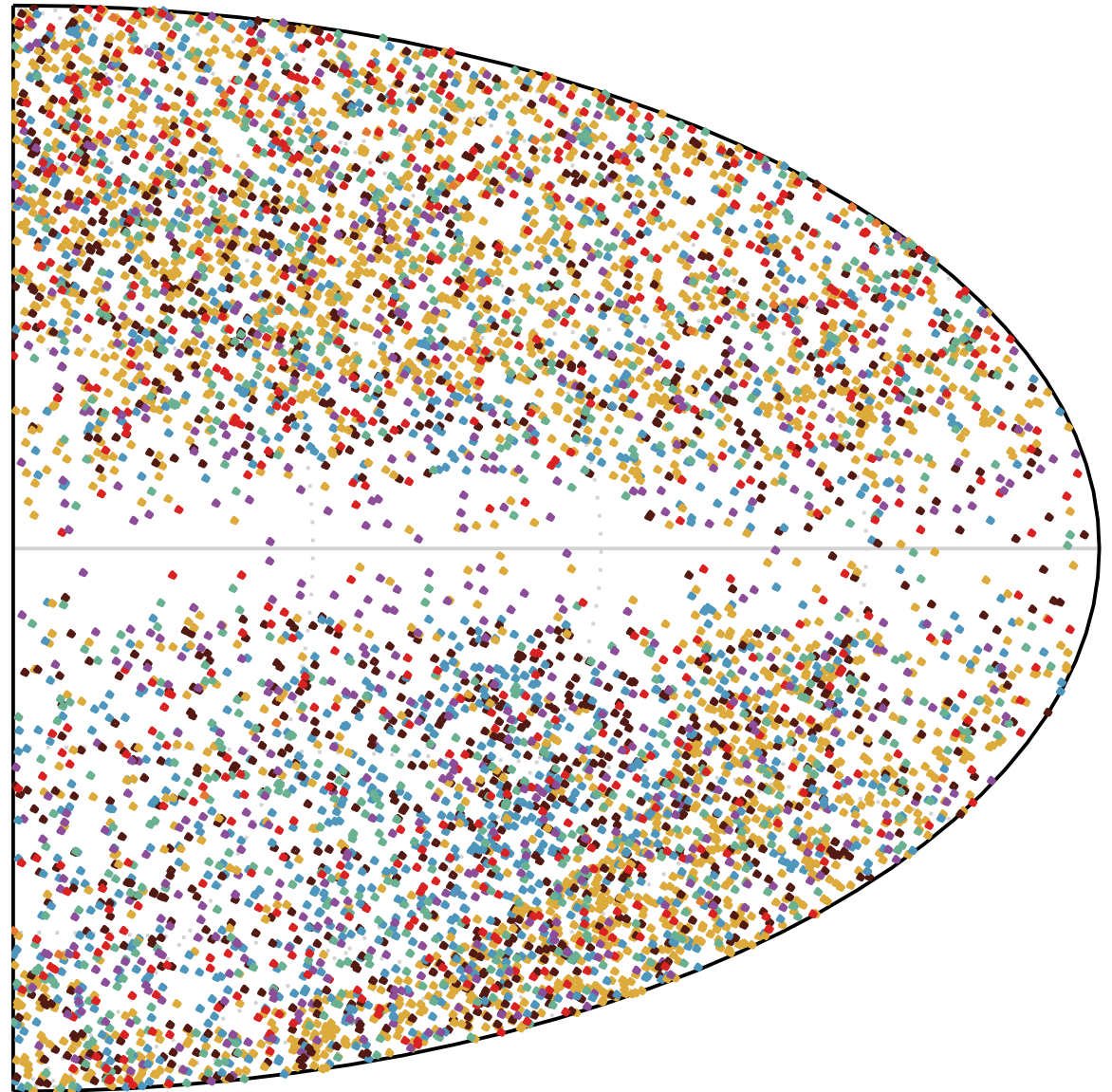
BL Lac candidates: 1192

FSRQ candidates: 1182

BL Lac: 666

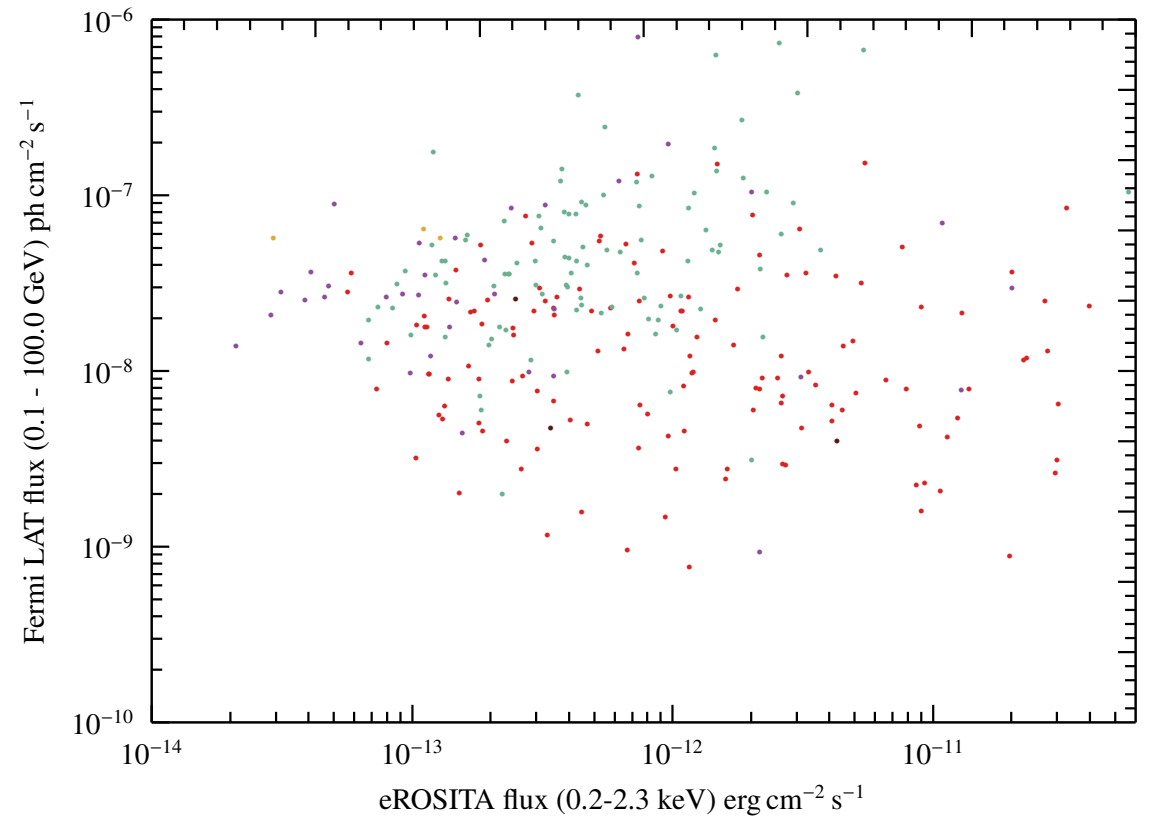
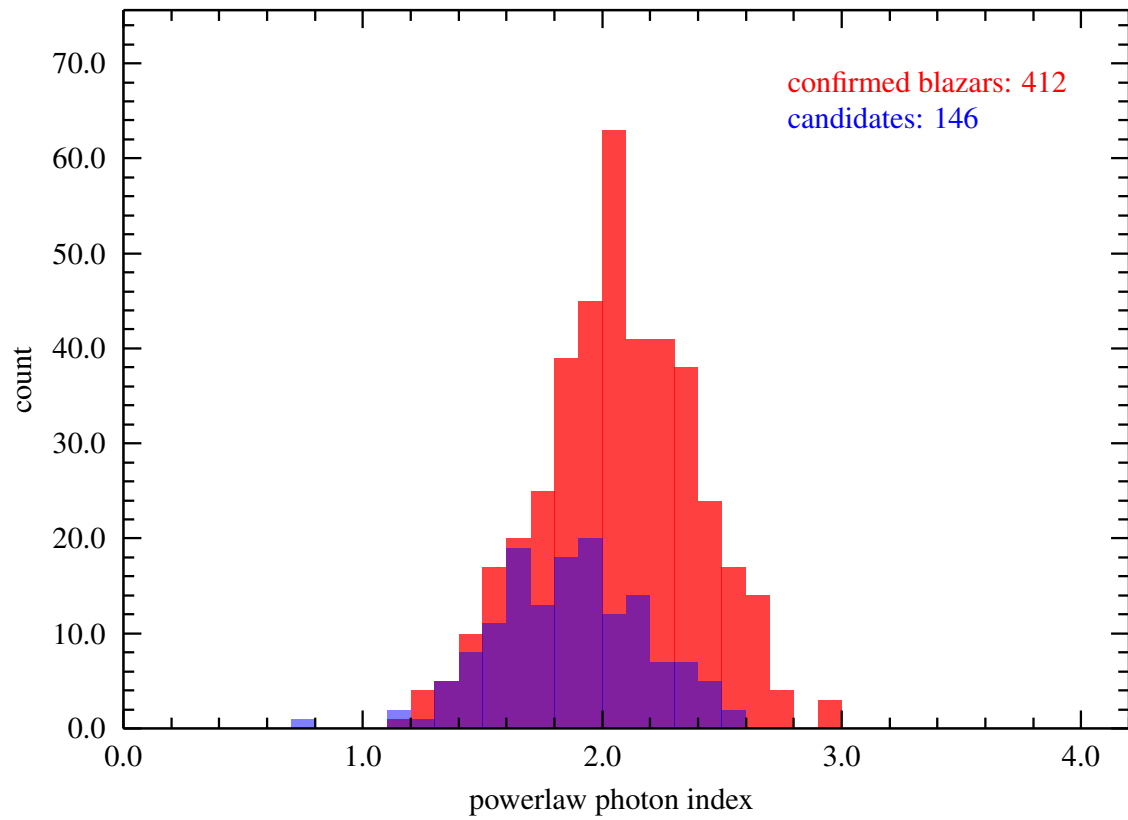
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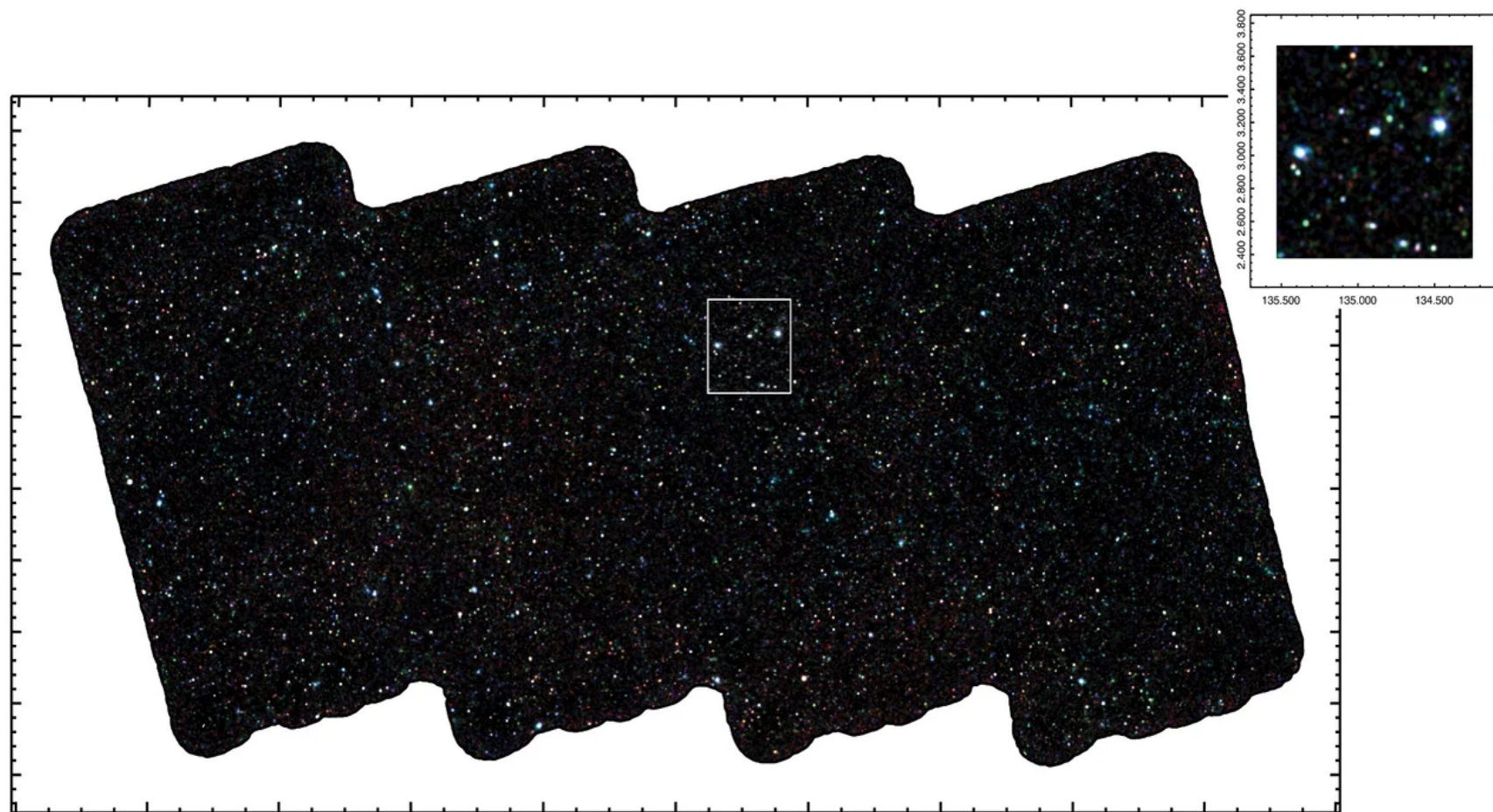
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Blazars



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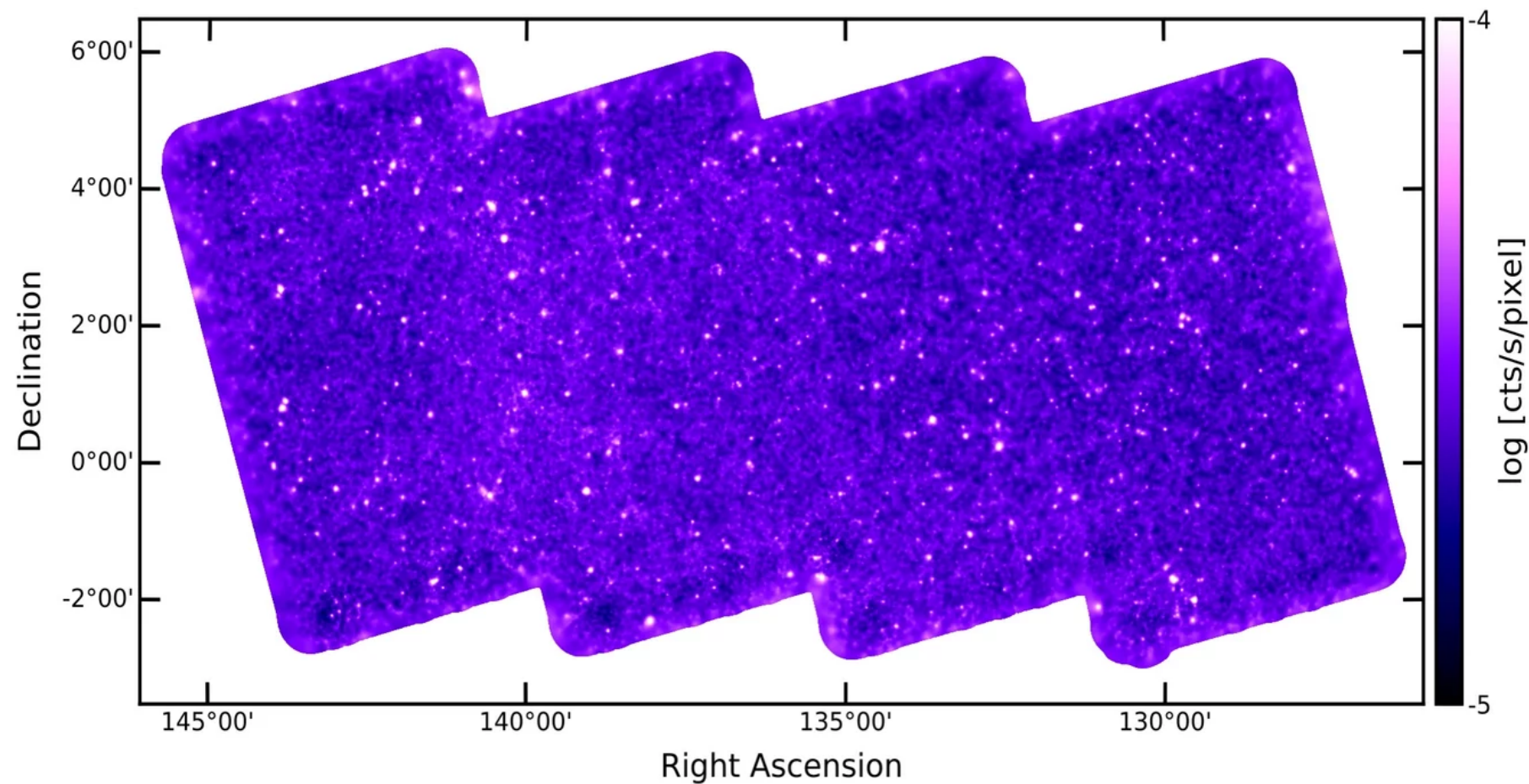


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PV-phase, representative for eRASS:8 – $130 \square^\circ$

- covered w/opt. surveys (HSC, GAMA, DeCALs), radio (LOFAR, GMRT)

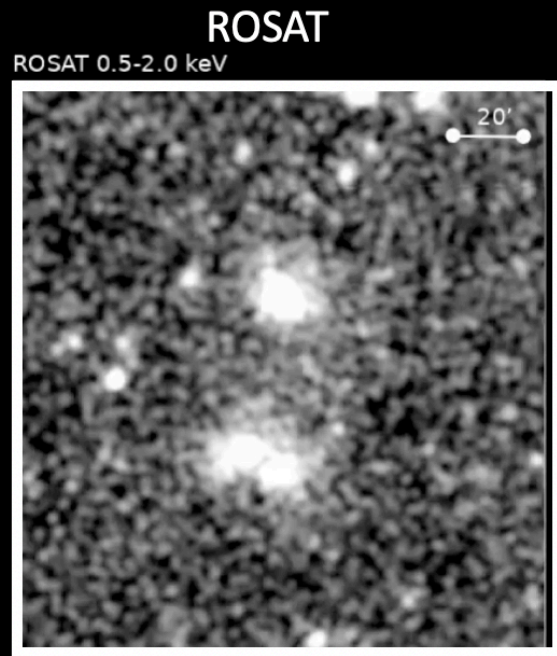
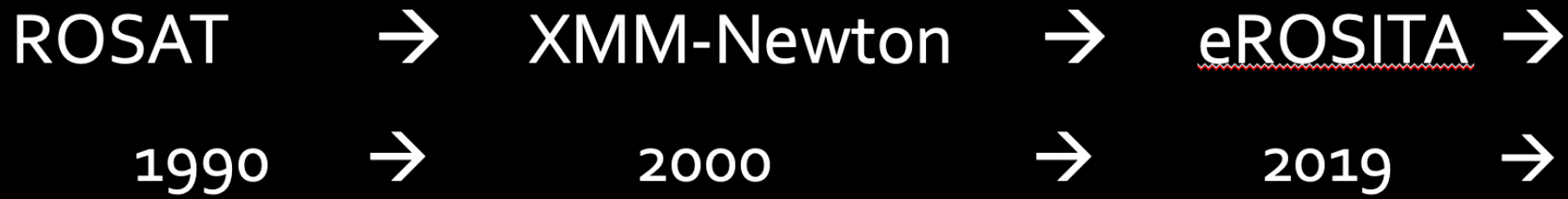
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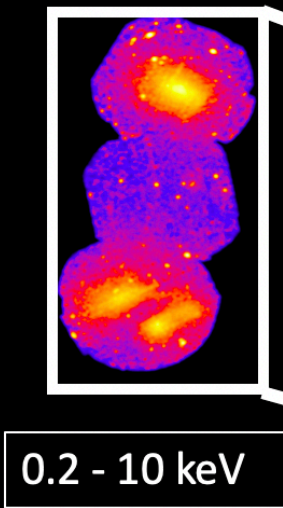
- covered w/opt. surveys (HSC, GAMA, DeCALs), radio (LOFAR, GMRT)
- **400 clusters** (3 per \square°)
- $M: 10^{13} \dots 10^{15} M_\odot, z \leq 1.1$
- spectra: 12 SDSS-IV plates (~ 11 k spectra)



0.2 - 2 keV

[Reiprich et al. 2021, A&A, 647, A2](#)
[Brueggen et al. 2021, A&A, 647, A3](#)

XMM-Newton



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eROSITA

Northern Clump

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AGN

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0.2 - 10 keV

1 deg

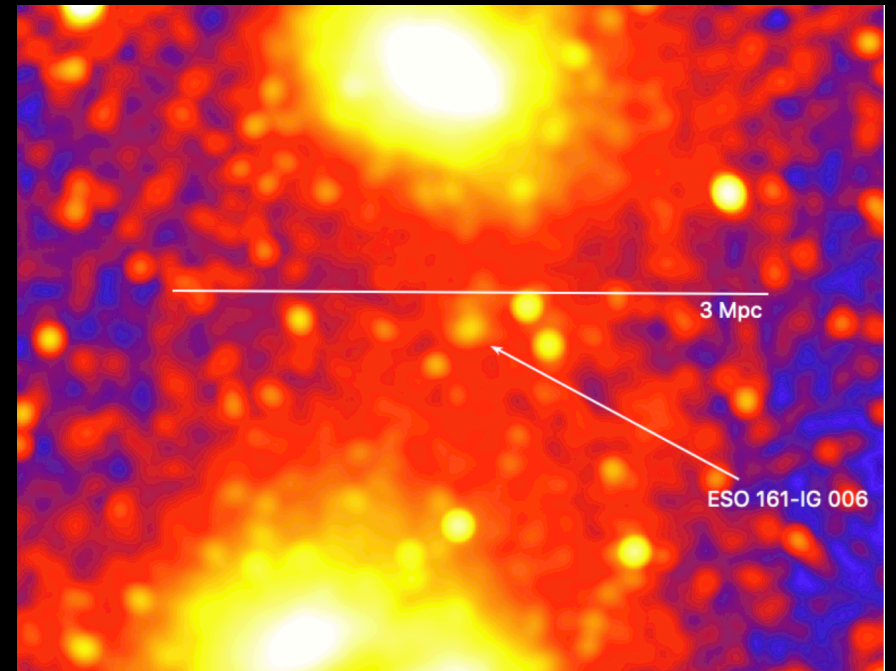
Credit: E. Bulbul

The Abell 3391/95 galaxy cluster system

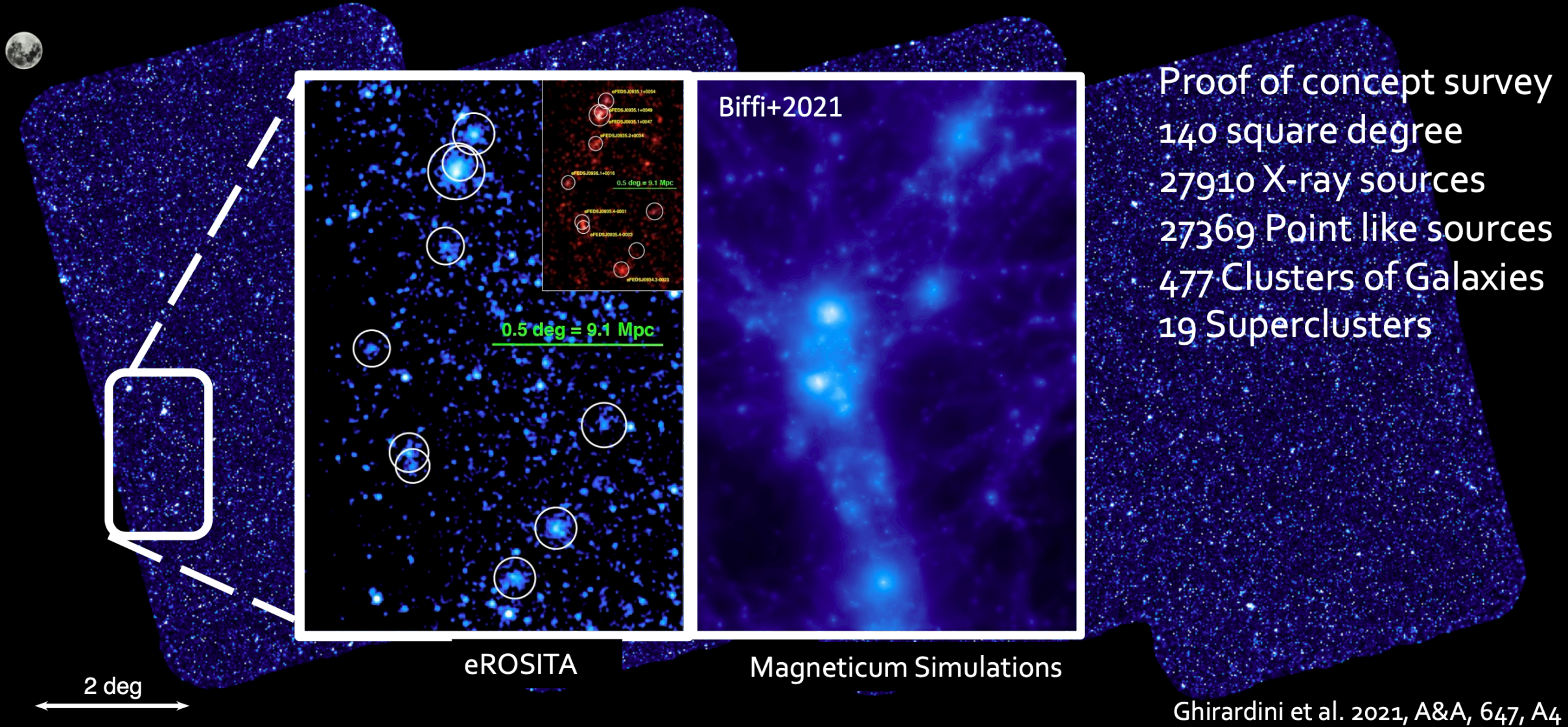
A 15 Mpc intergalactic medium emission filament, a warm gas bridge, infalling matter clumps, and (re-) accelerated plasma discovered by combining SRG/eROSITA data with ASKAP/EMU and DECam data



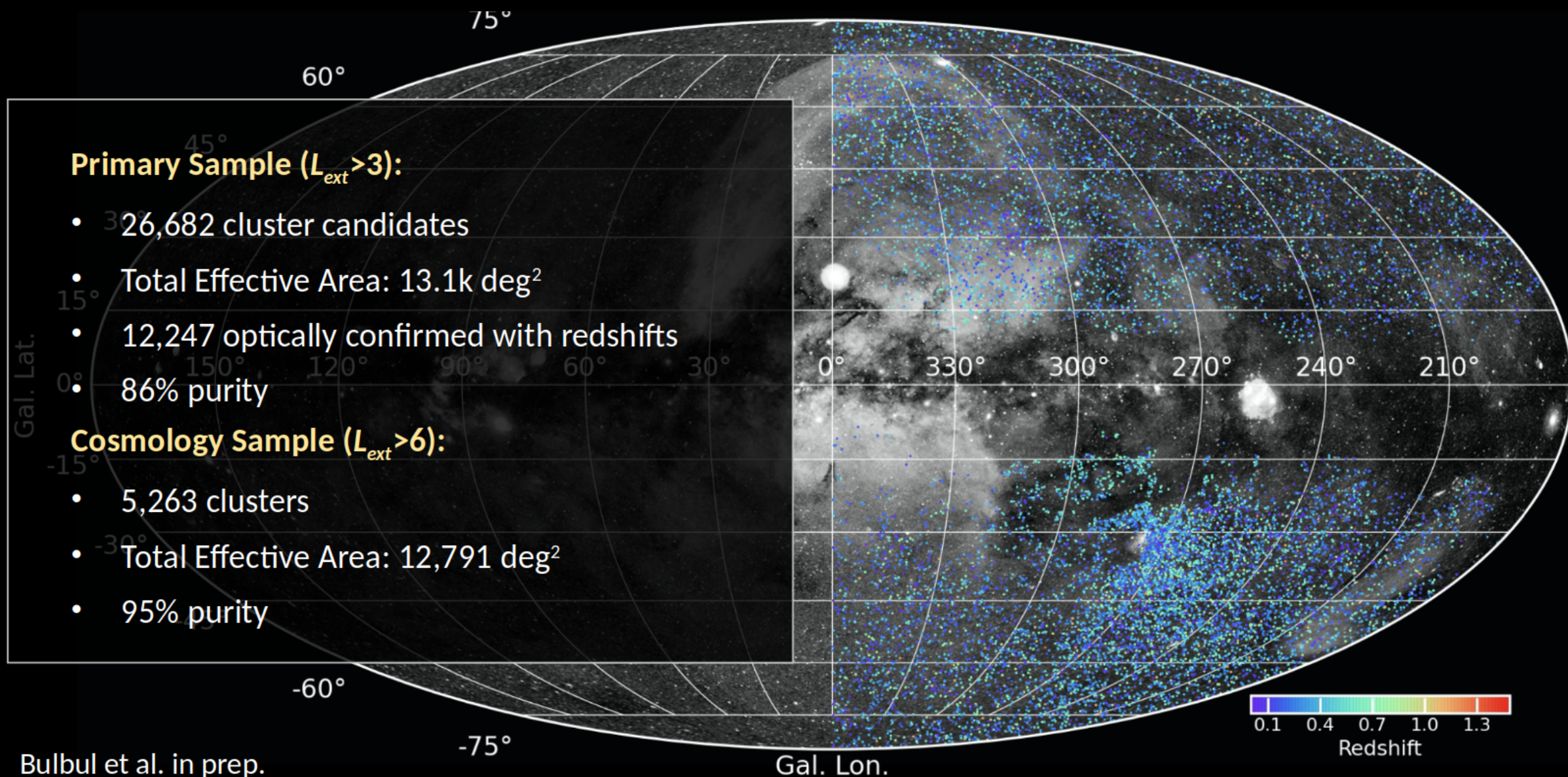
Reiprich et al 2022, A&A special Issue



Mapping Large Scale Structure with eROSITA



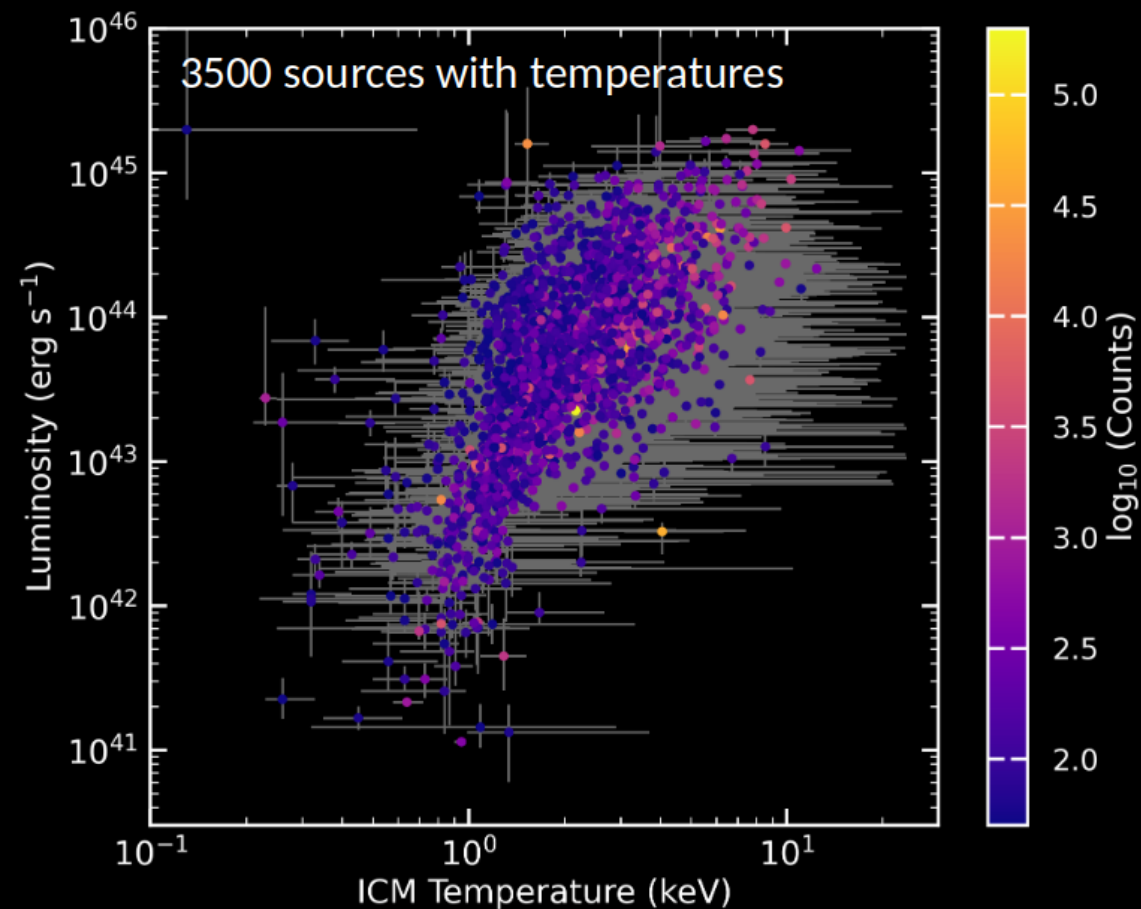
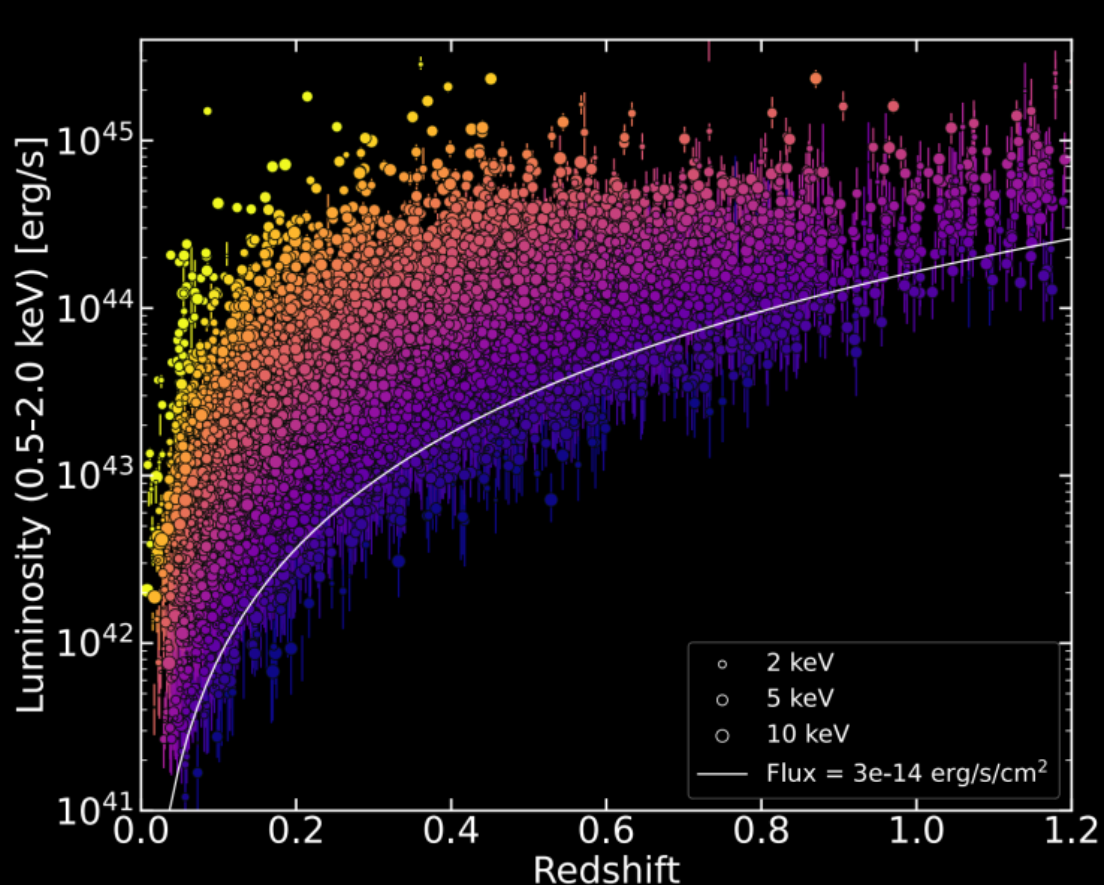
Clusters and Groups from eRASS1



eRASS1 cluster sample

Clusters are confirmed in optical waveband using Legacy DR9-10 surveys

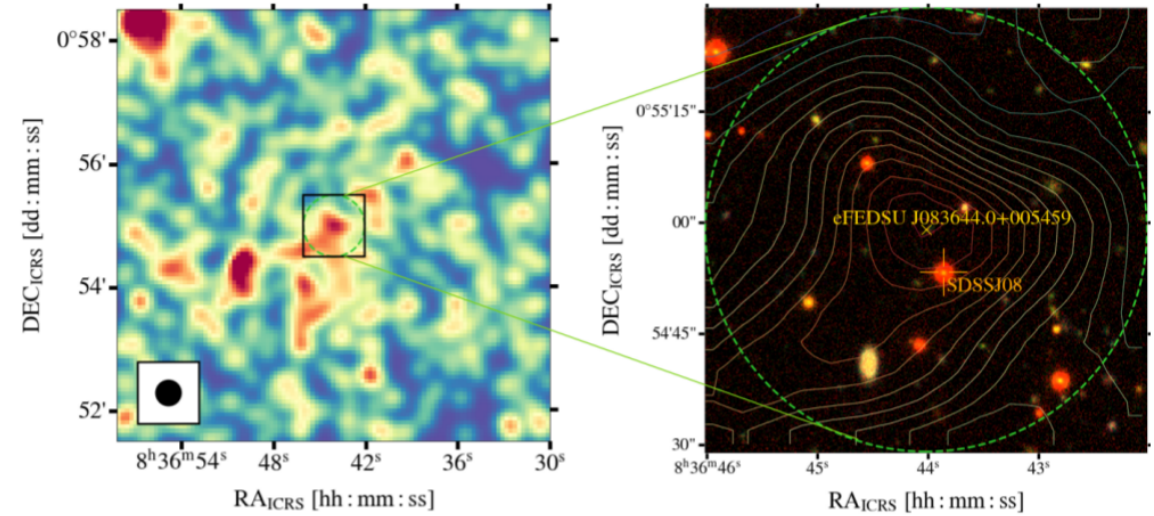
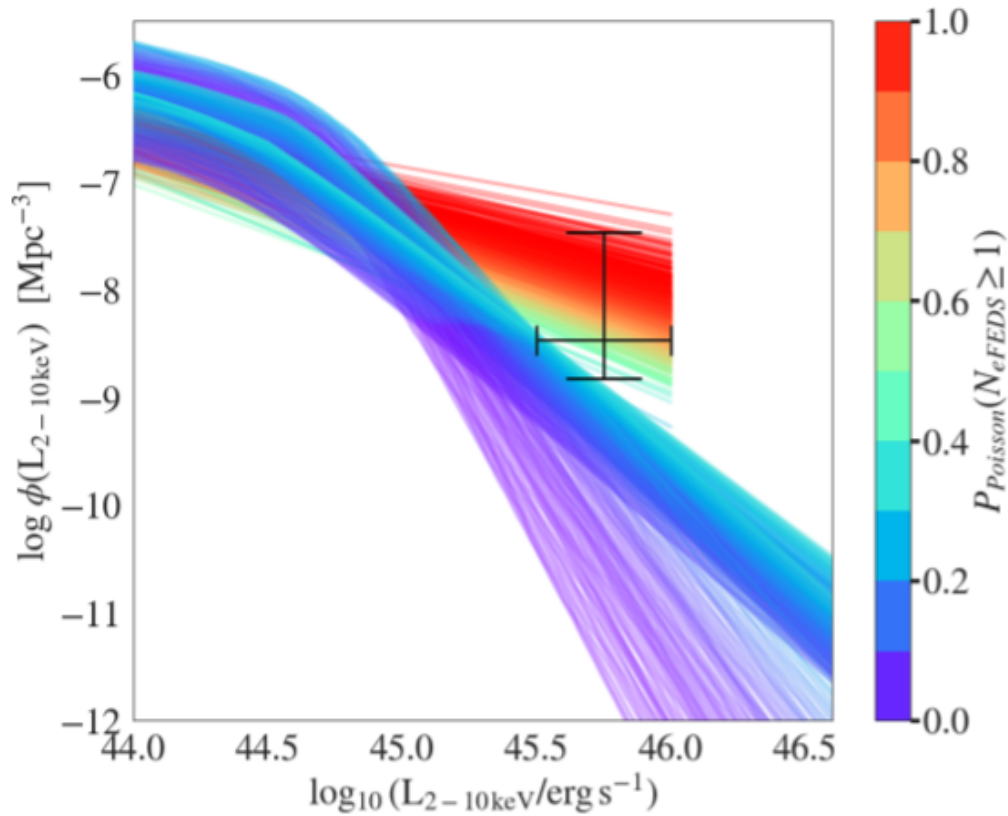
Self-consistent fitting of cluster X-ray profiles with MBProj2D to obtain luminosity and temperature



A. Liu, J. Sanders X. Zhang, M. Kluge, E. Bulbul (MPE)

Bulbul et al. in prep

High z AGN

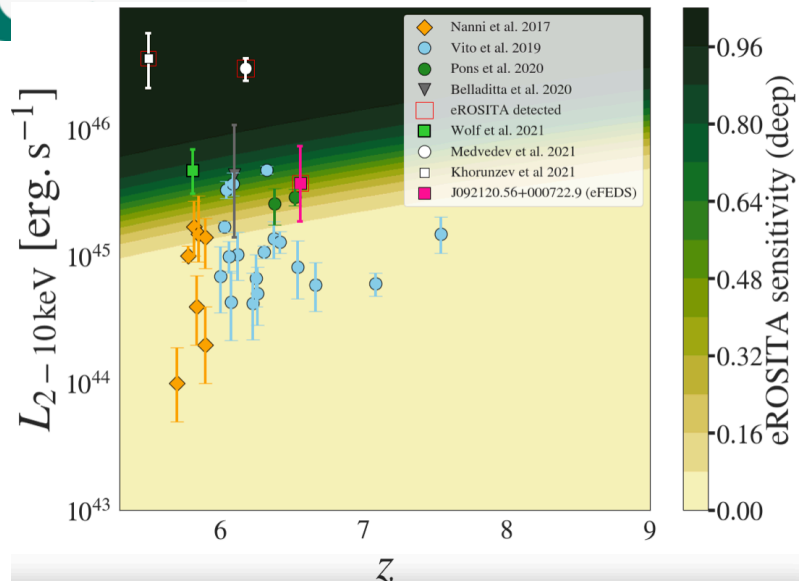


eFEDS: 1 source $w/z = 5.81$
SDSS J083643.85 + 005453.3

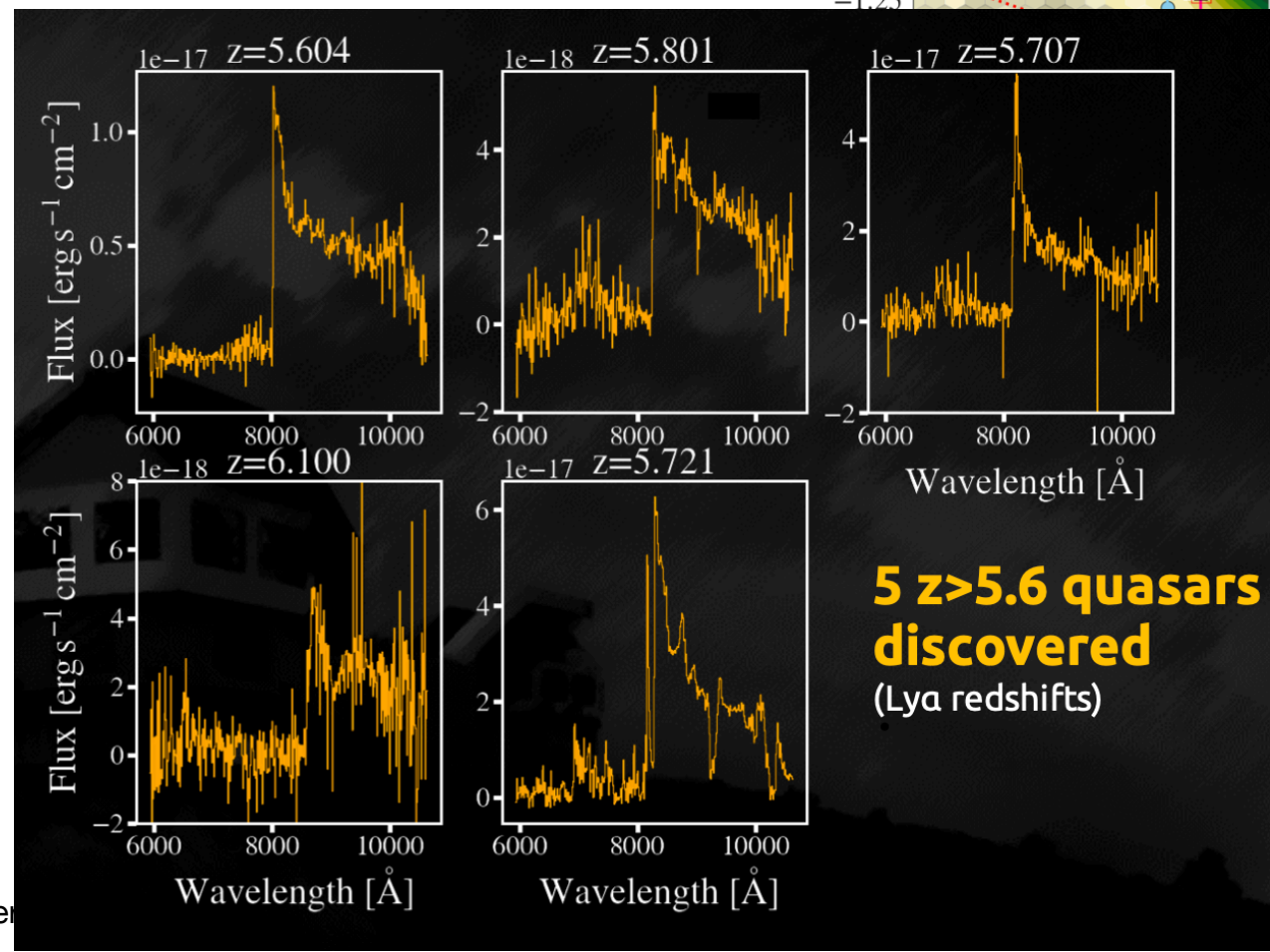
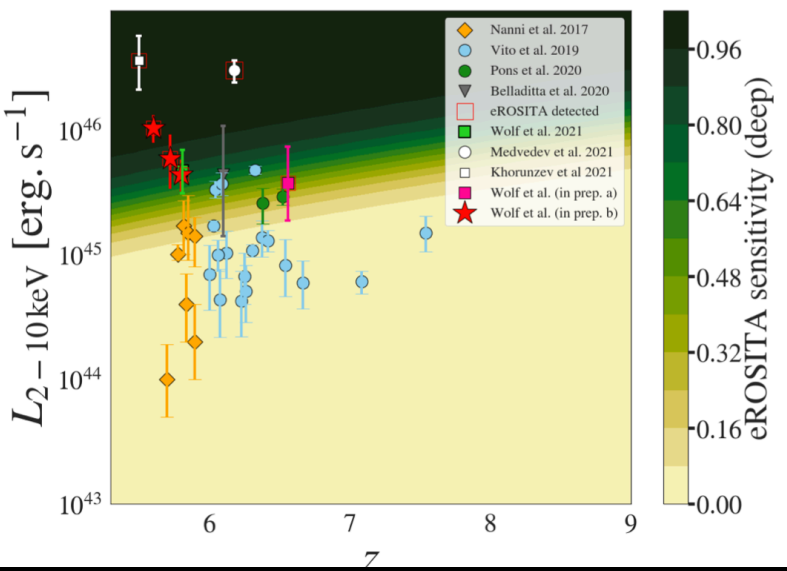
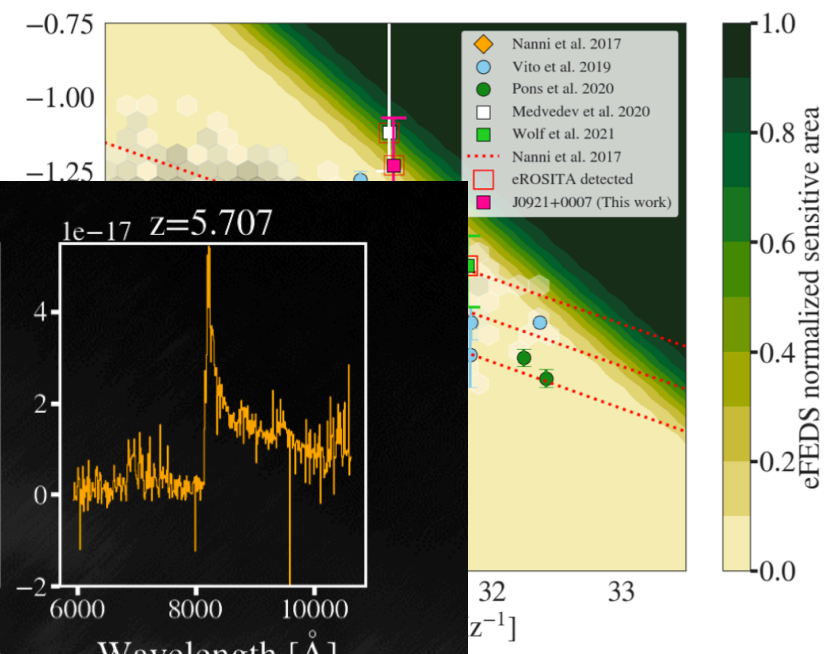
Already constrained models for black hole evolution

Wolff et al. (2021, 647, A5)

Uncovering the X-ray luminous $z > 5.5$ quasar population



Wolf et al 2022a A&A special Issue
 Wolf et al 2022b
 Wolf et al, in prep



5 $z > 5.6$ quasars discovered
 (Ly α redshifts)

the luminosity function.

Summary

eROSITA is already revolutionizing our knowledge of the x-ray sky

- 4.4 surveys done
- In safe mode since March 2022 due to Russian attack on Ukraine
if data taking will resume is unclear
- **Scientific areas:**
 - galaxy clusters
 - evolution of Black Holes
 - Black Hole and Neutron Star Binaries in our Galaxy
 - Supernova remnants
 - variable sources
 - stars

Release of first eRASS in next few months