

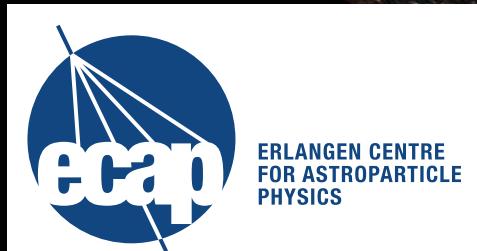


eROSITA

0.3-2.3 keV - RGB

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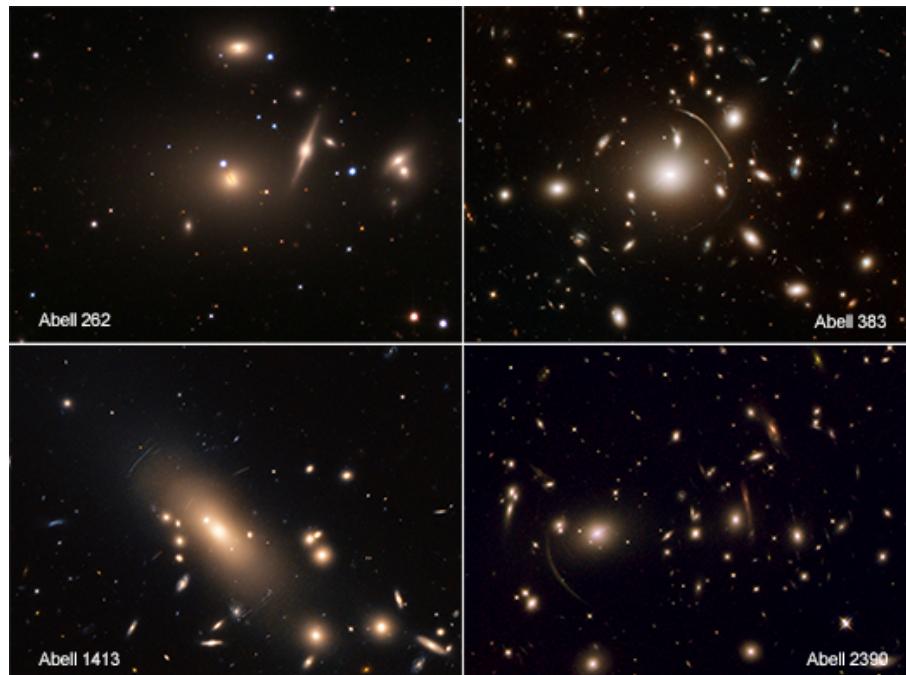
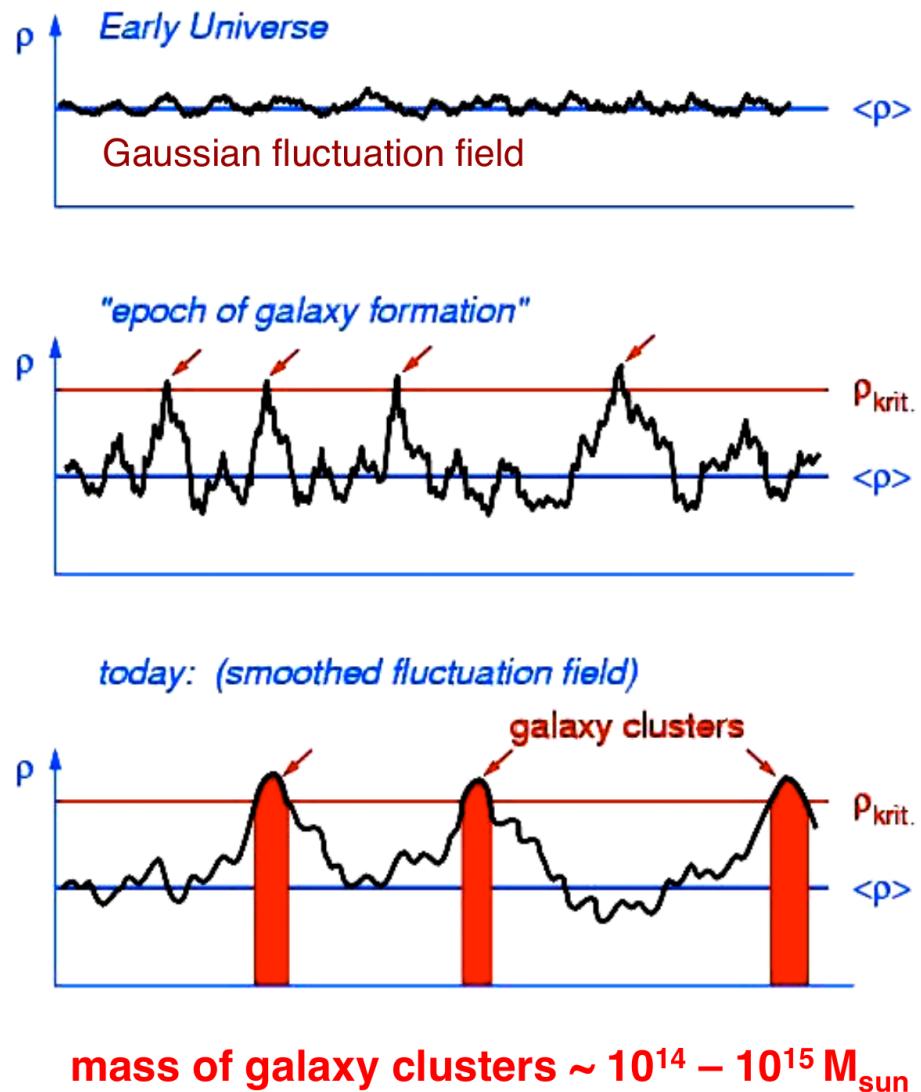
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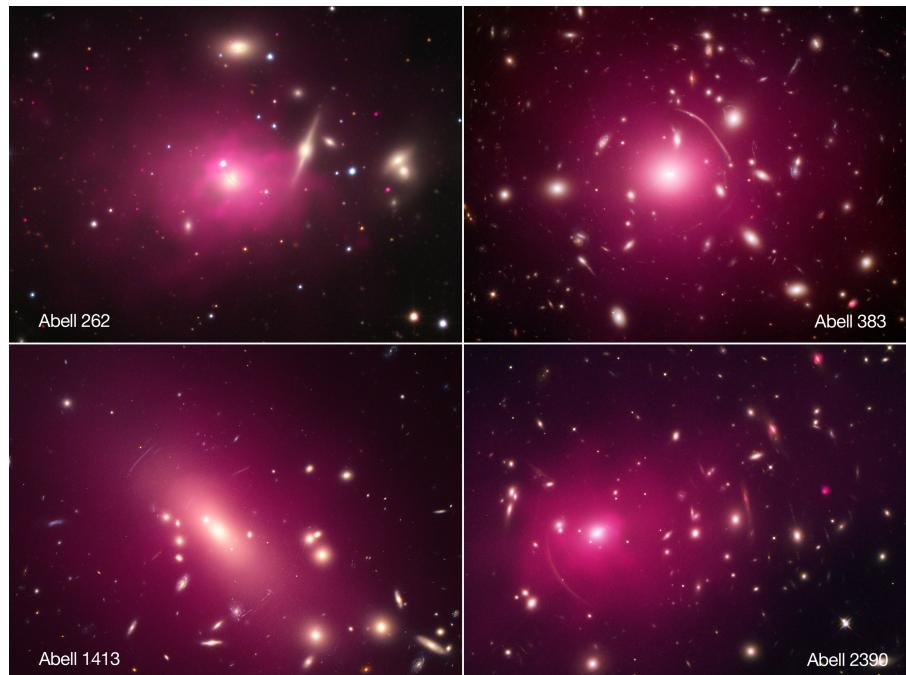
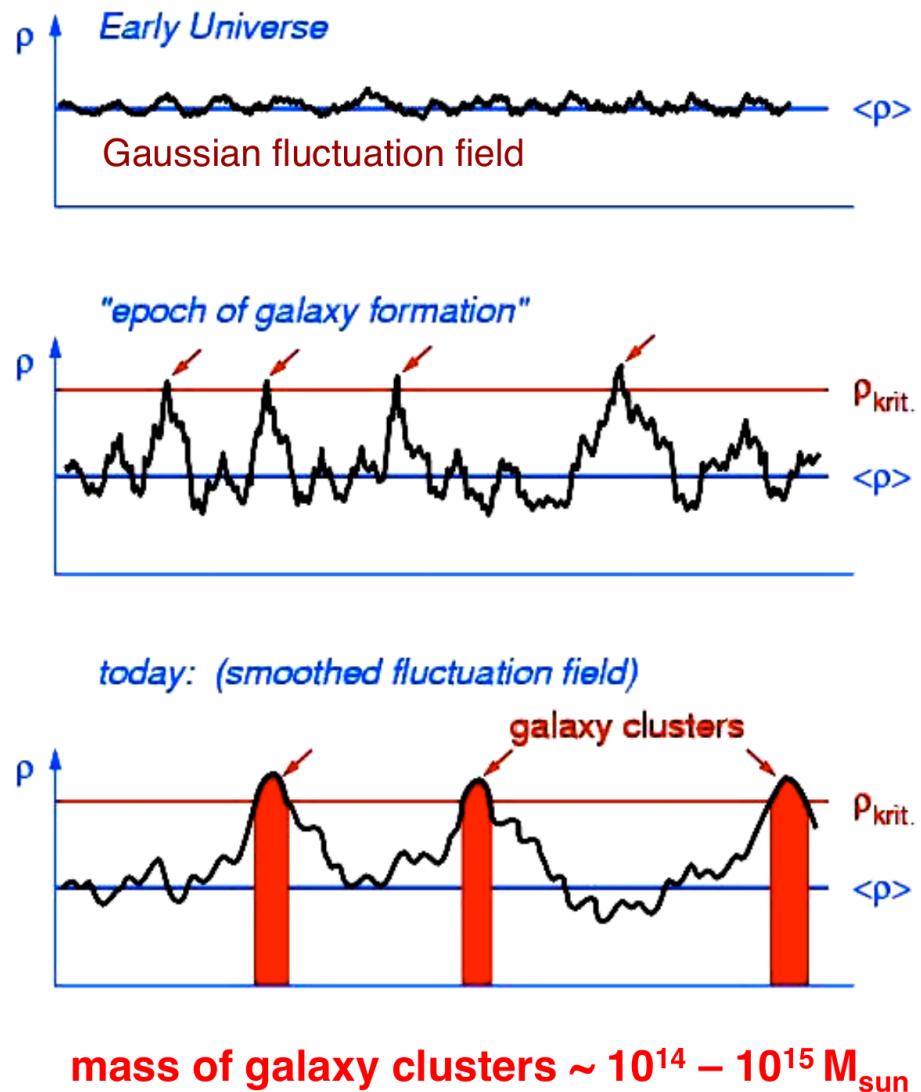
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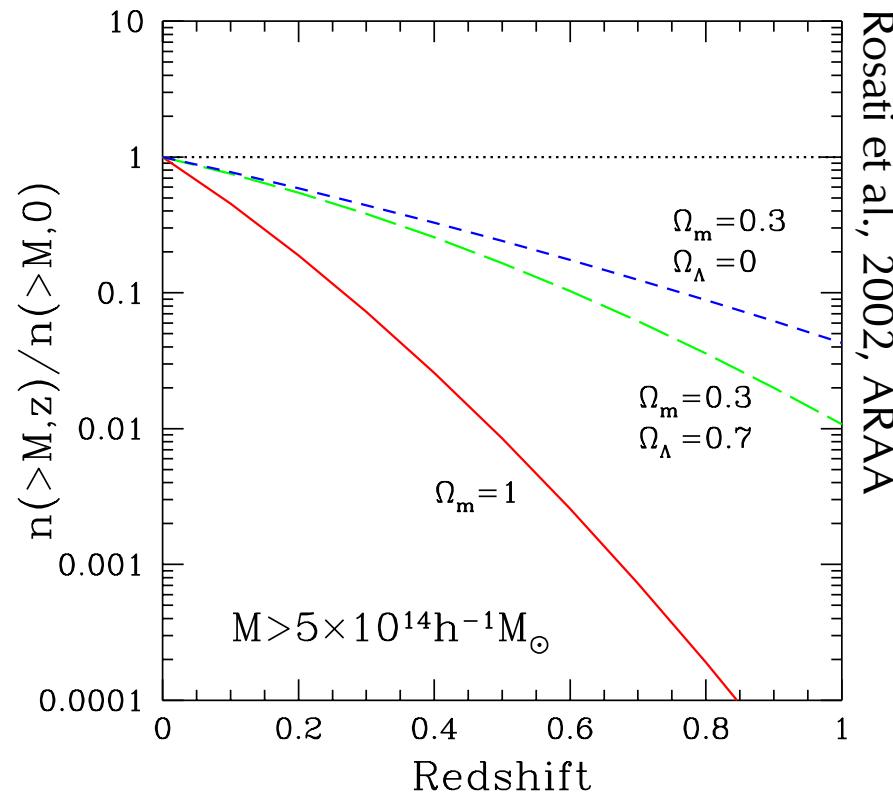
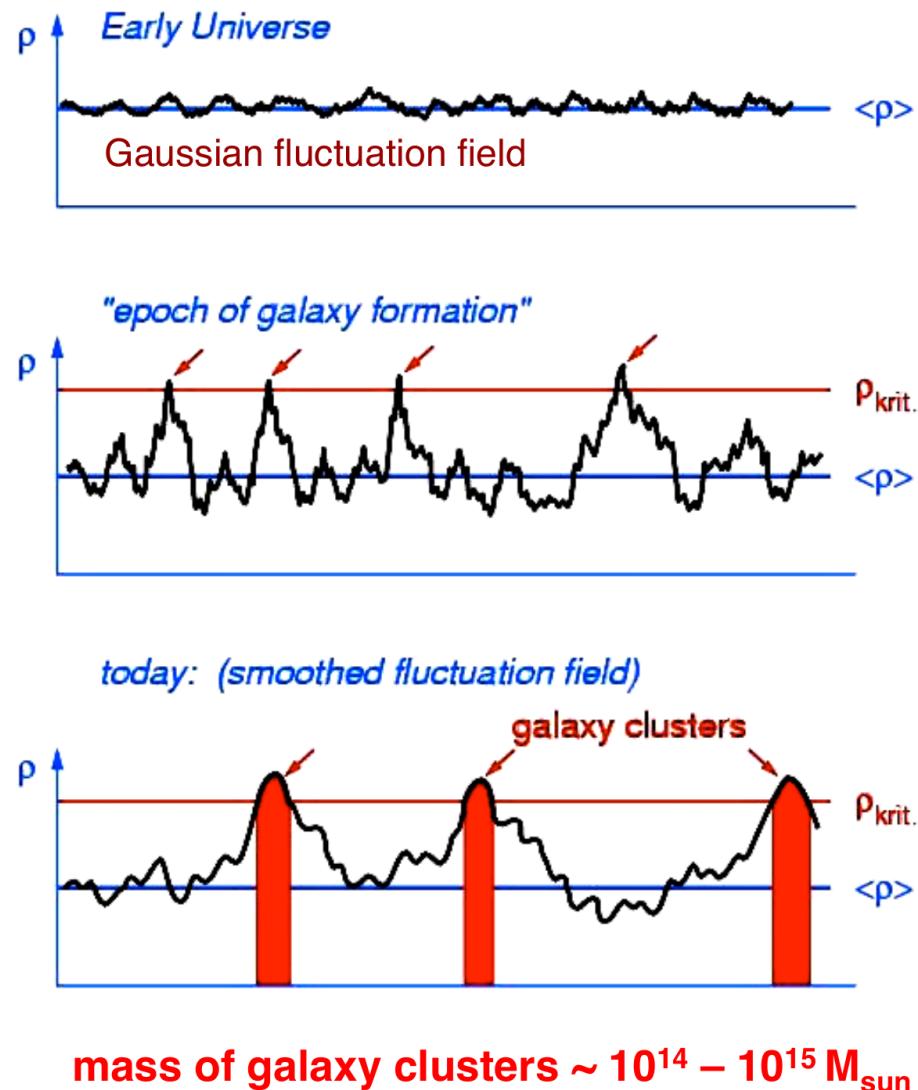
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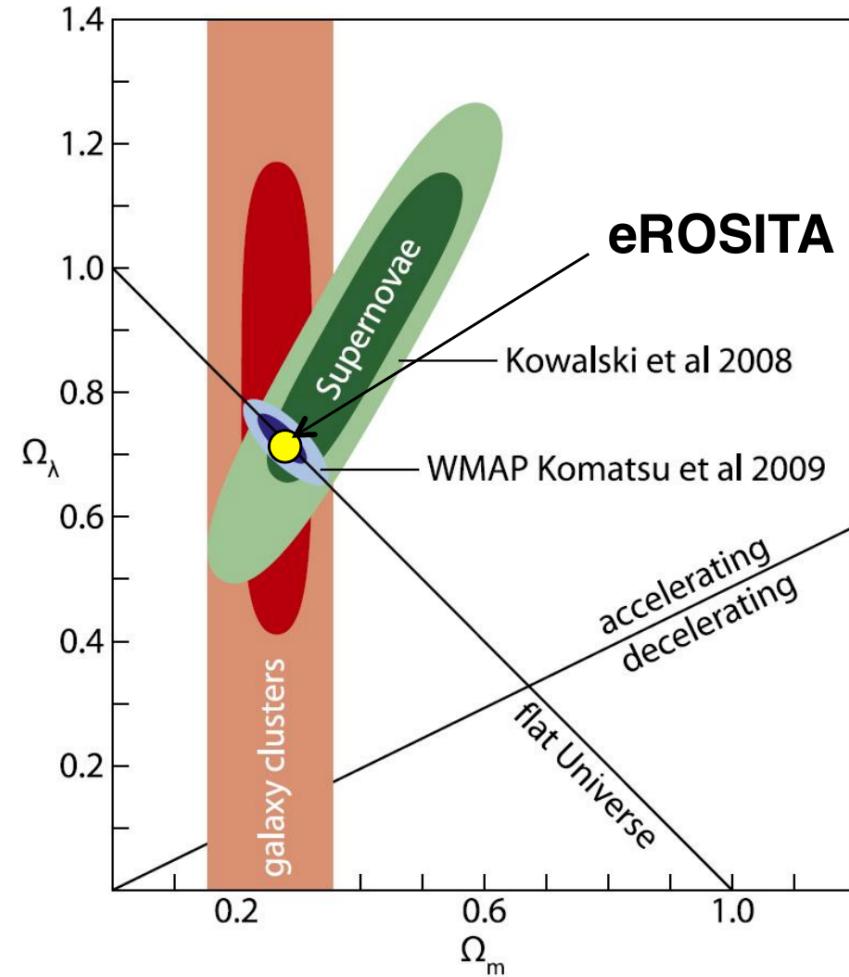
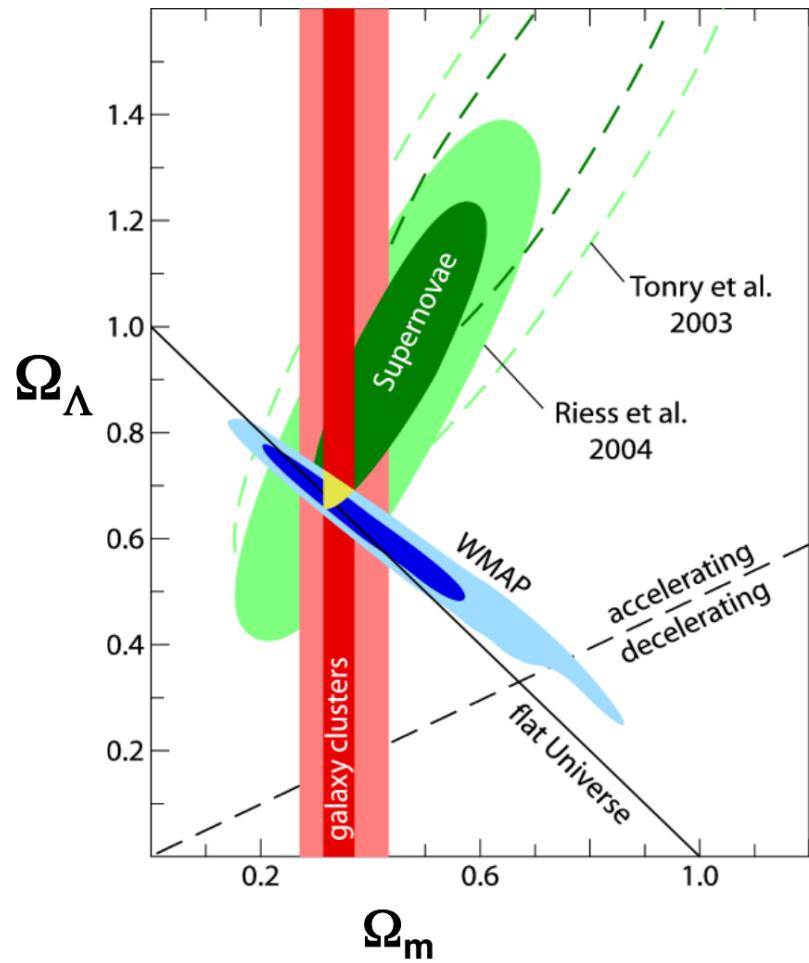
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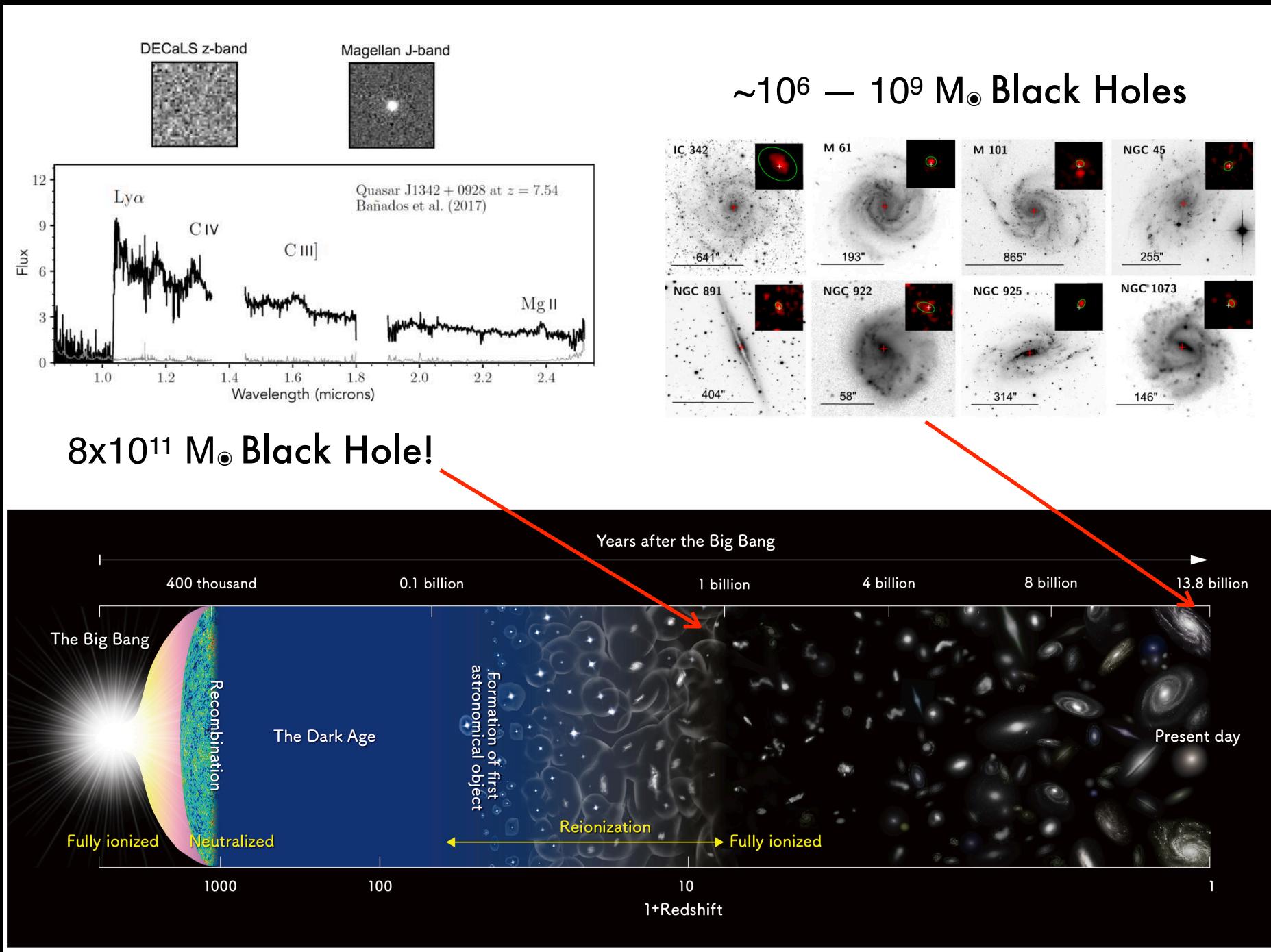
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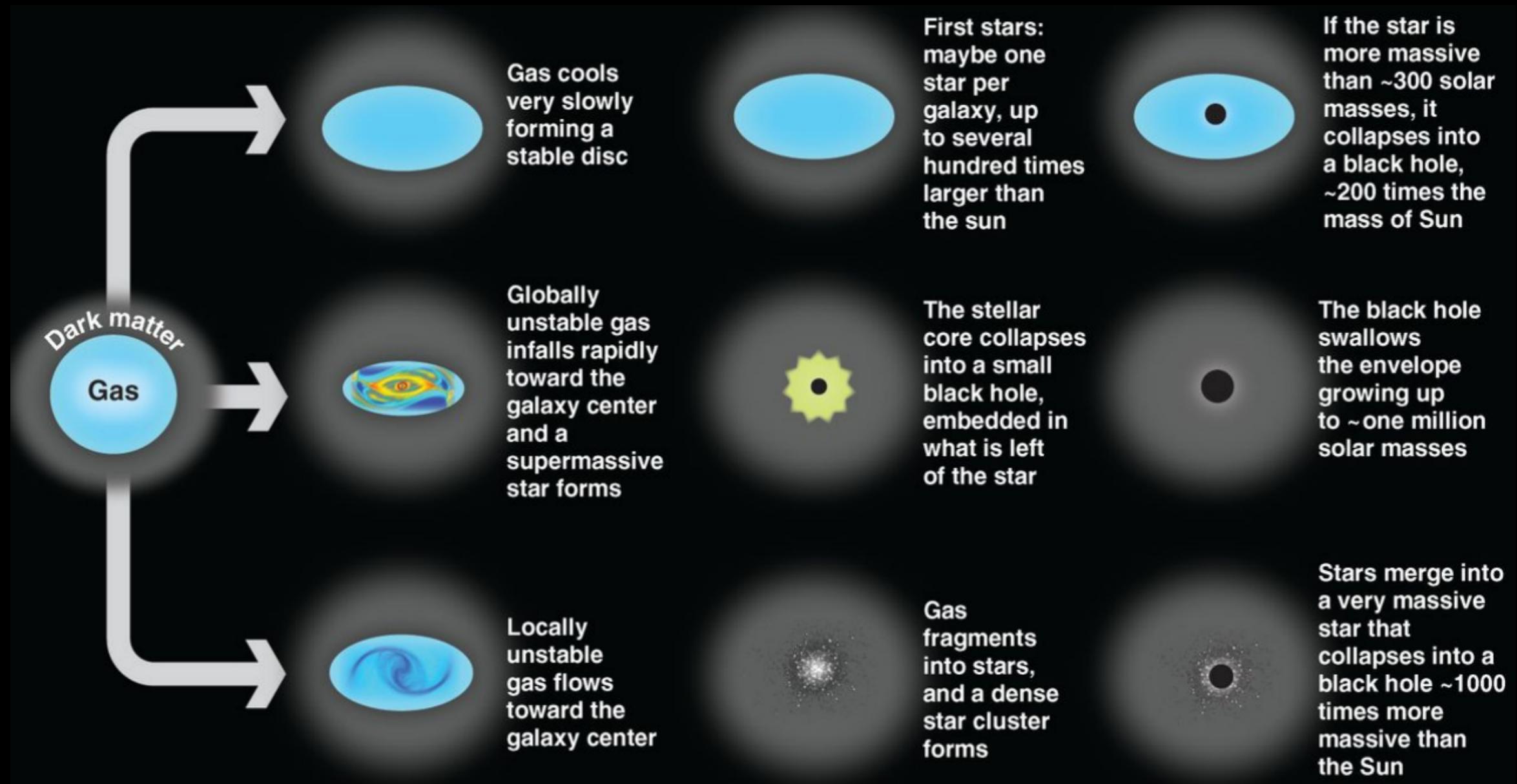


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Galaxy clusters yield mass density,  $\Omega_m$ , and energy density of “dark energy”,  $\Omega_\Lambda$



K. Holley-Bockelmann

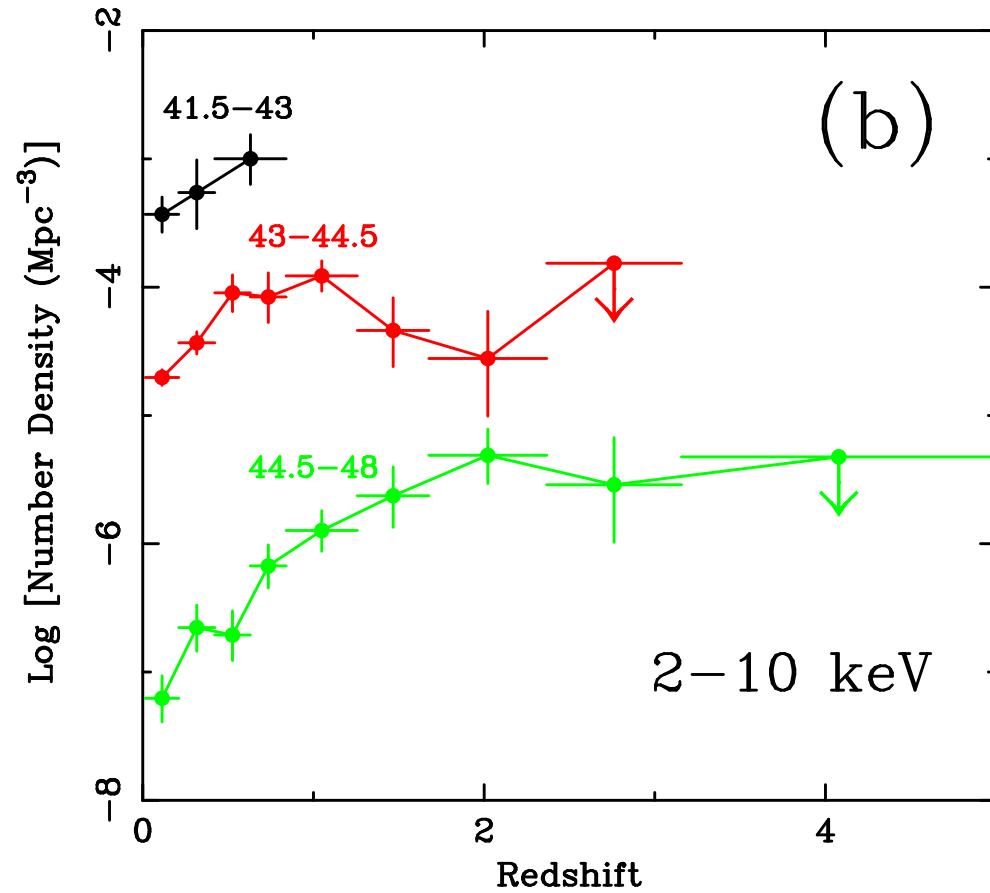
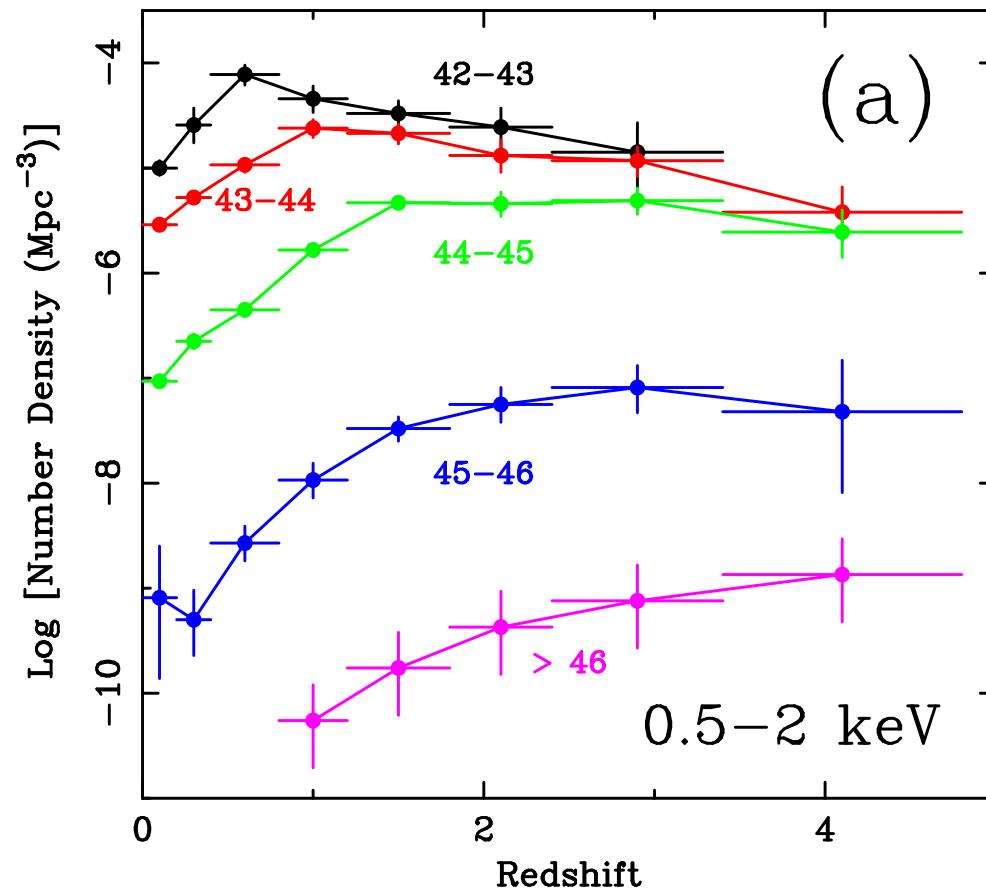


(Volonteri, 2012, Science 337, 544)

Evolution of Black Holes depends on

- type of accretion process
- interaction with surrounding galaxy ("Feedback")

# Active Galactic Nuclei



(Brandt & Hasinger, 2005)

Existing X-ray data: Luminosity Evolution

- Space density of AGN: lower  $L_X$  for lower  $z$
- (probably) less evolution at lower  $L_X$

⇒ If  $L_X$  depends on  $M_{BH}$ , then most massive BHs formed first (“anti-hierarchical AGN evolution”)



Galaxy evolution in one picture



**Hubble Deep Field**

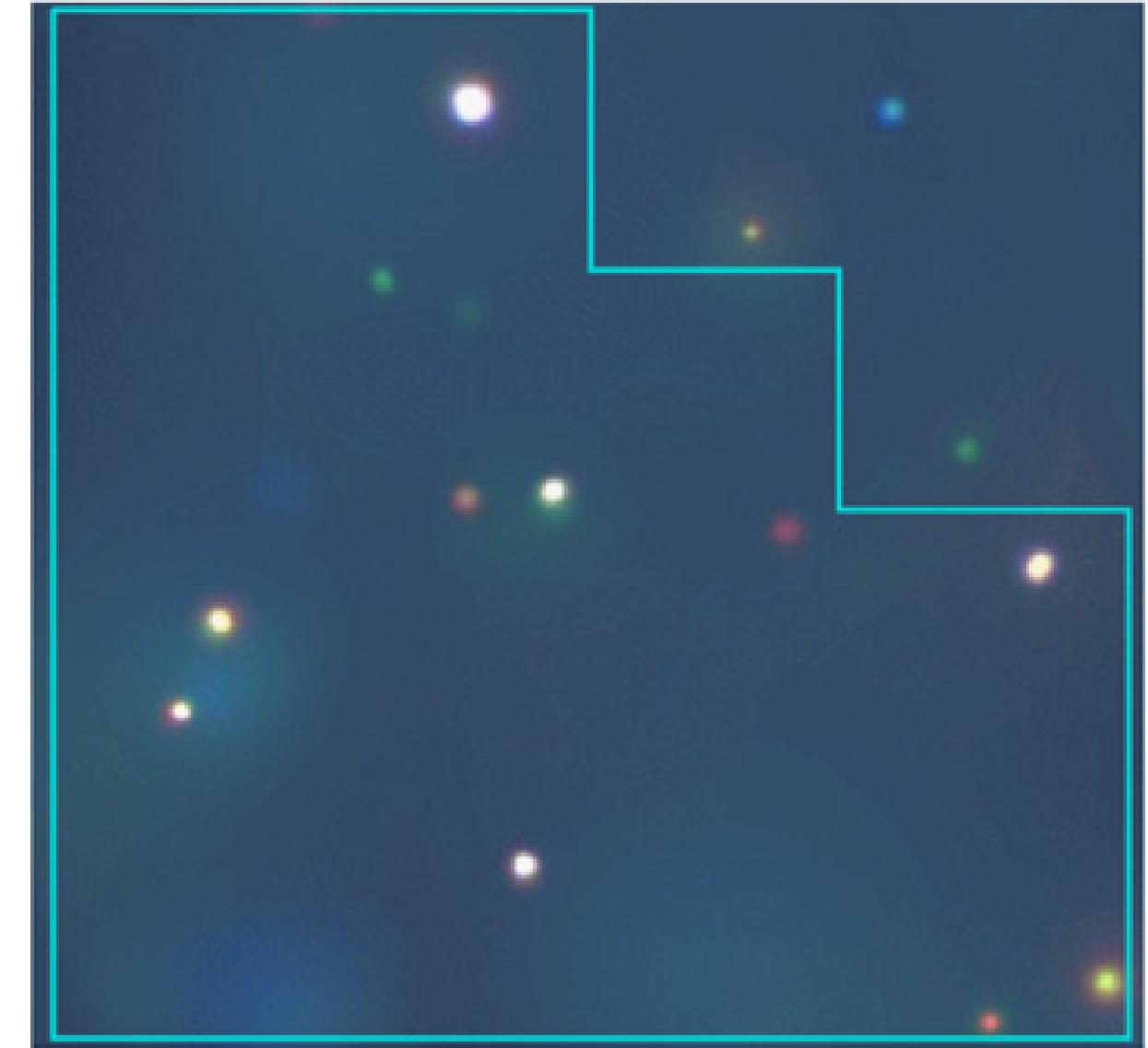
ST Scl OPO January 15, 1996 R. Williams and the HDF Team (ST Scl) and NASA

**HST WFPC2**

1995 December: **Hubble Deep Field**: 8 d exposure



HST

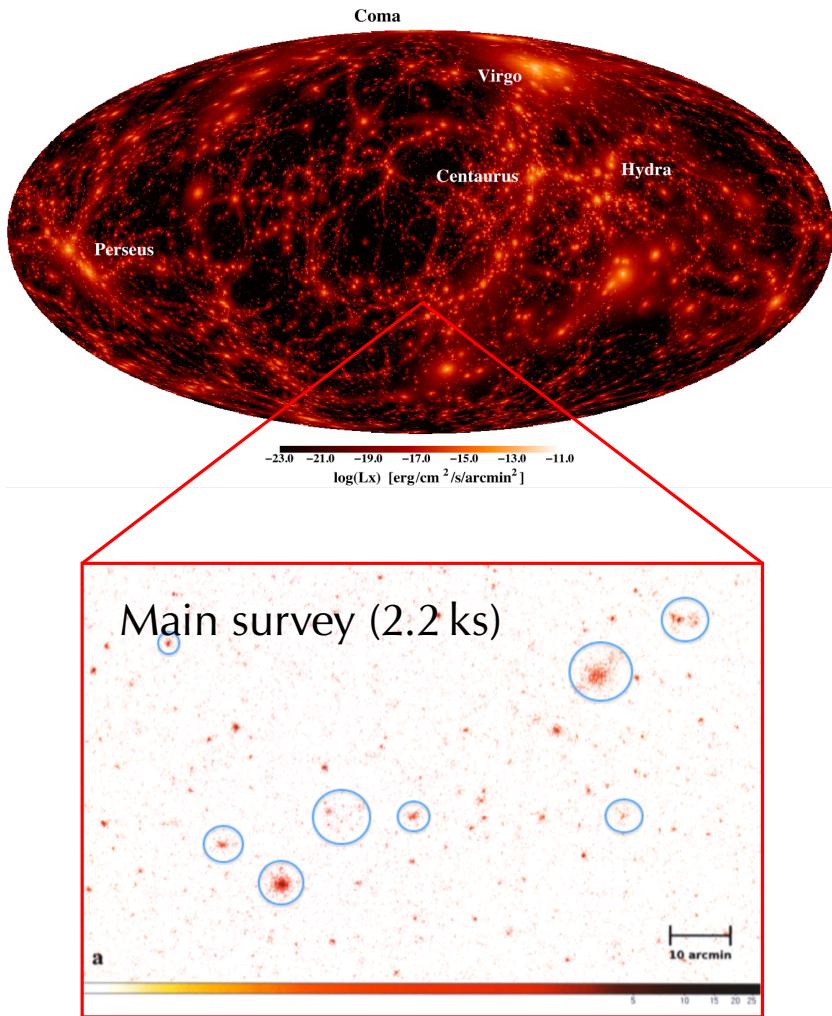


Chandra

Chandra/HST Image of the Hubble Deep Field North; 500 ksec

Multiwavelength astronomy: X-rays best way to find accreting black holes

# eROSITA at a glance



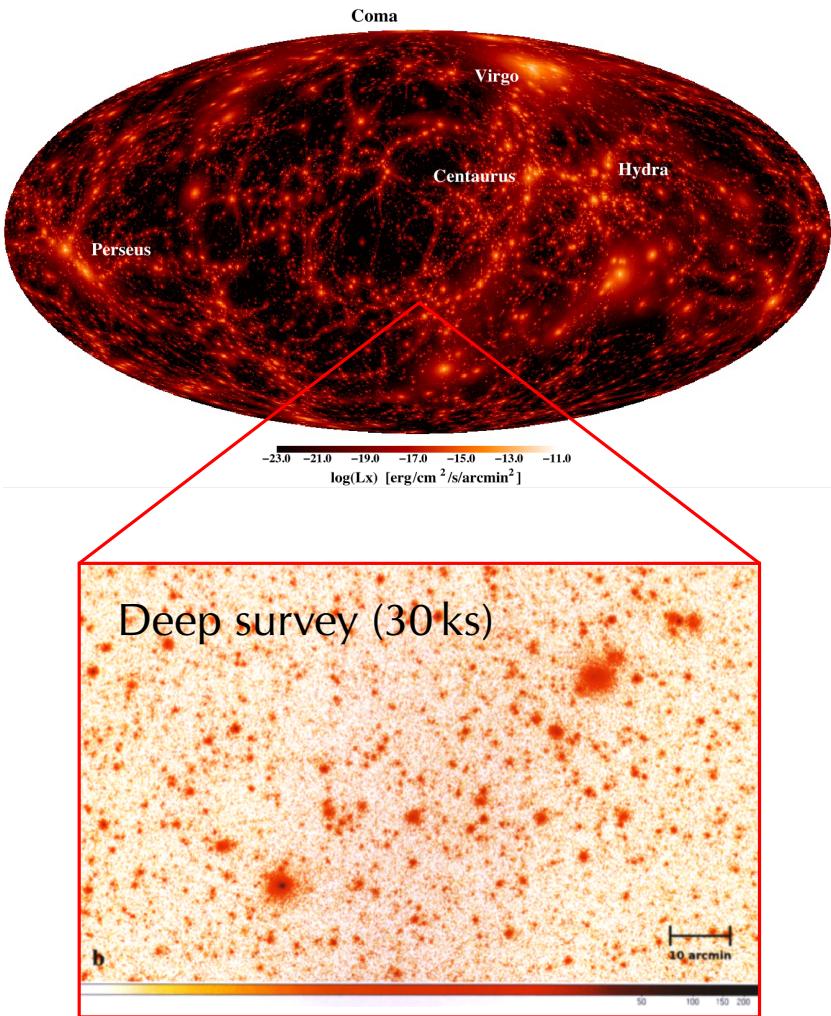
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## Strategy:

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down to  $6 \times 10^{-14}$  cgs
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( $\sim 100 \square^\circ$ ) to  $10^{-14}$  cgs
- **$1^\circ$  FoV, moderate spatial resolution**  
( $< 28''$  on avg.)
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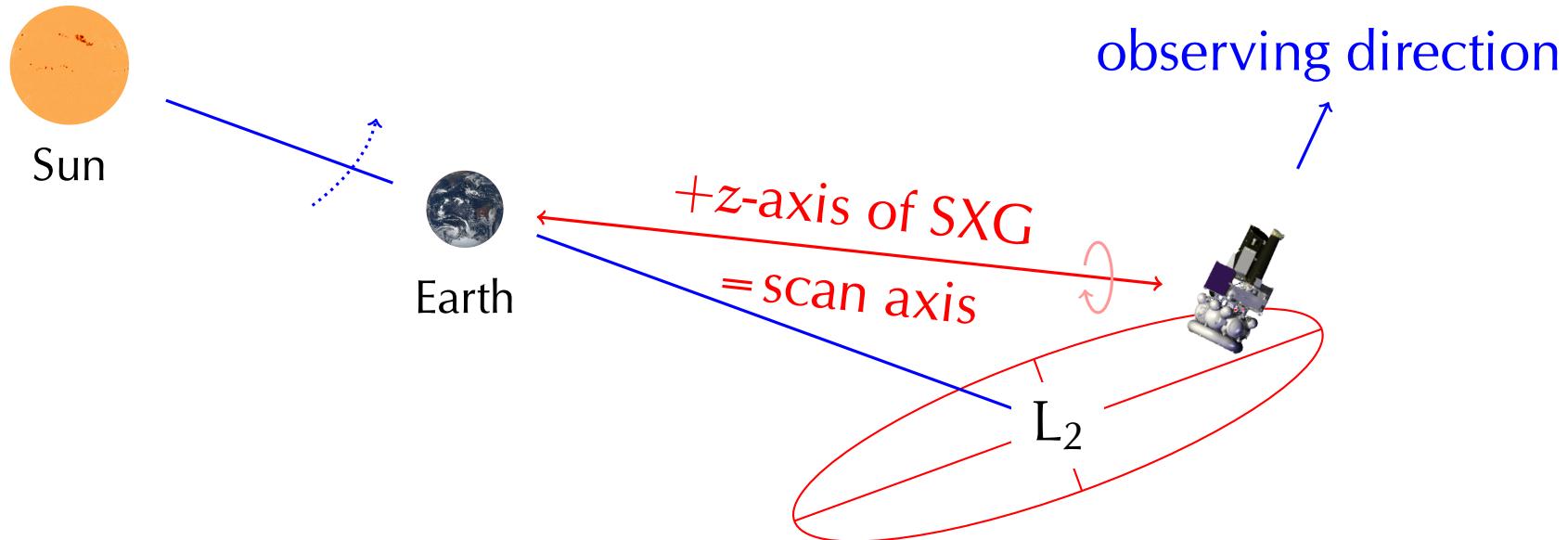
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## Survey design



### Mission profile:

- L<sub>2</sub>-Orbit (1.5 Mio km from Earth)
- scan axis points towards Earth (~4 h/rotation)

4 years survey

3 years pointing

(w/o effects of Russian aggression in Ukraine)



# eROSITA on Spektr-RG



**eROSITA PI: A. Merloni**

**SRG Lead Scientist in RU: R. Sunyaev**

**HEG Director: K. Nandra**

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MPE, Garching/D

Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg/D

IAAT (Universität Tübingen)/D

HS (Universität Hamburg)/D

Astrophysikalisches Institut Potsdam/D

## Associated Institutes:

MPA, Garching/D

IKI, Moscow/Ru

USM (Universität München)/D

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Andrea Merloni (MPE)  
(starting 9/7/20)



Rashid Sunyaev (IKI)



Kirpal Nandra (MPE)

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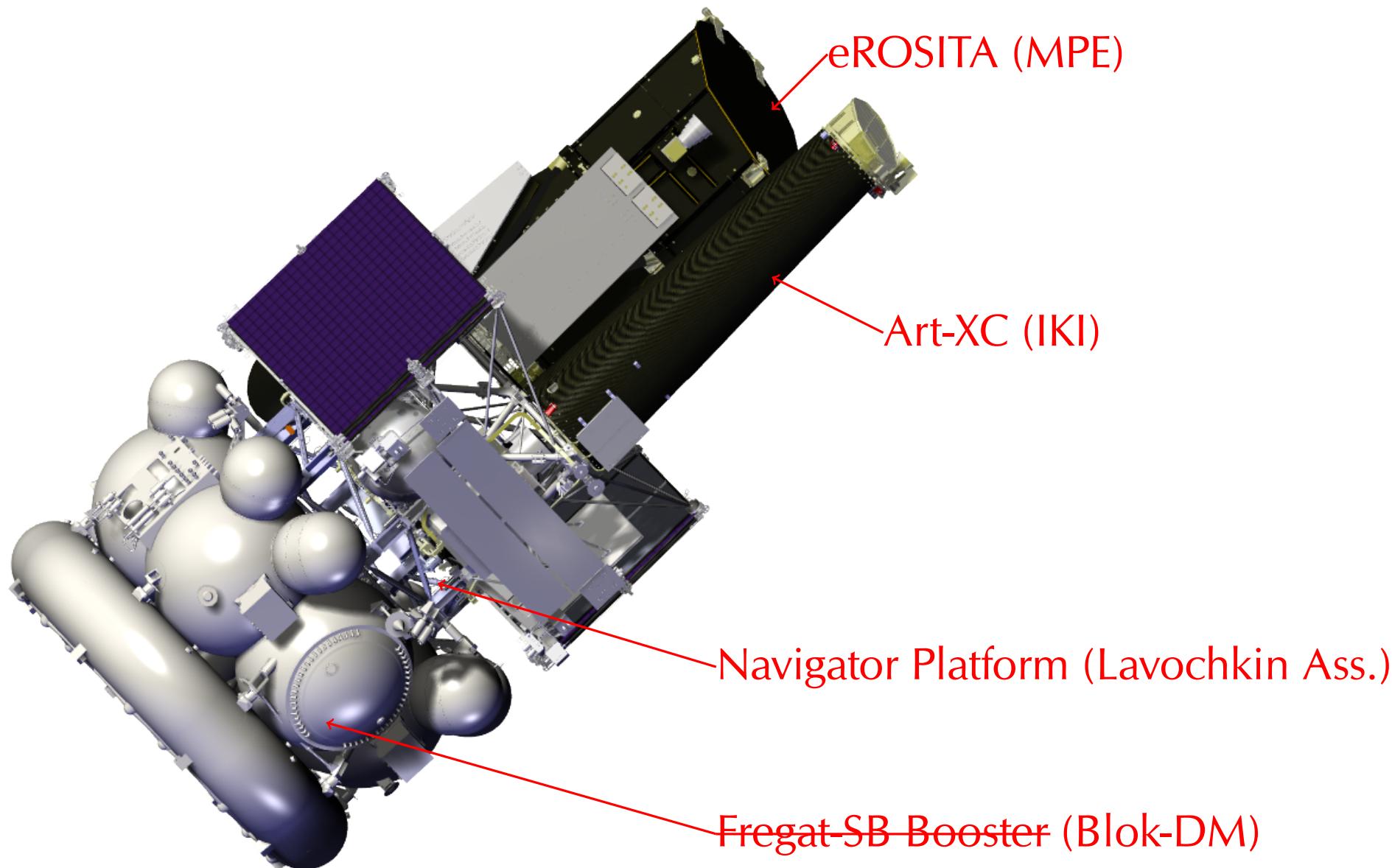
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IberEspacio/E	Heatpipes
RUAG/A	Mechanisms
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+ many small companies	

**MPE: Scientific Lead Institute, Project Management  
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Data Handling & Processing, Archive etc.**

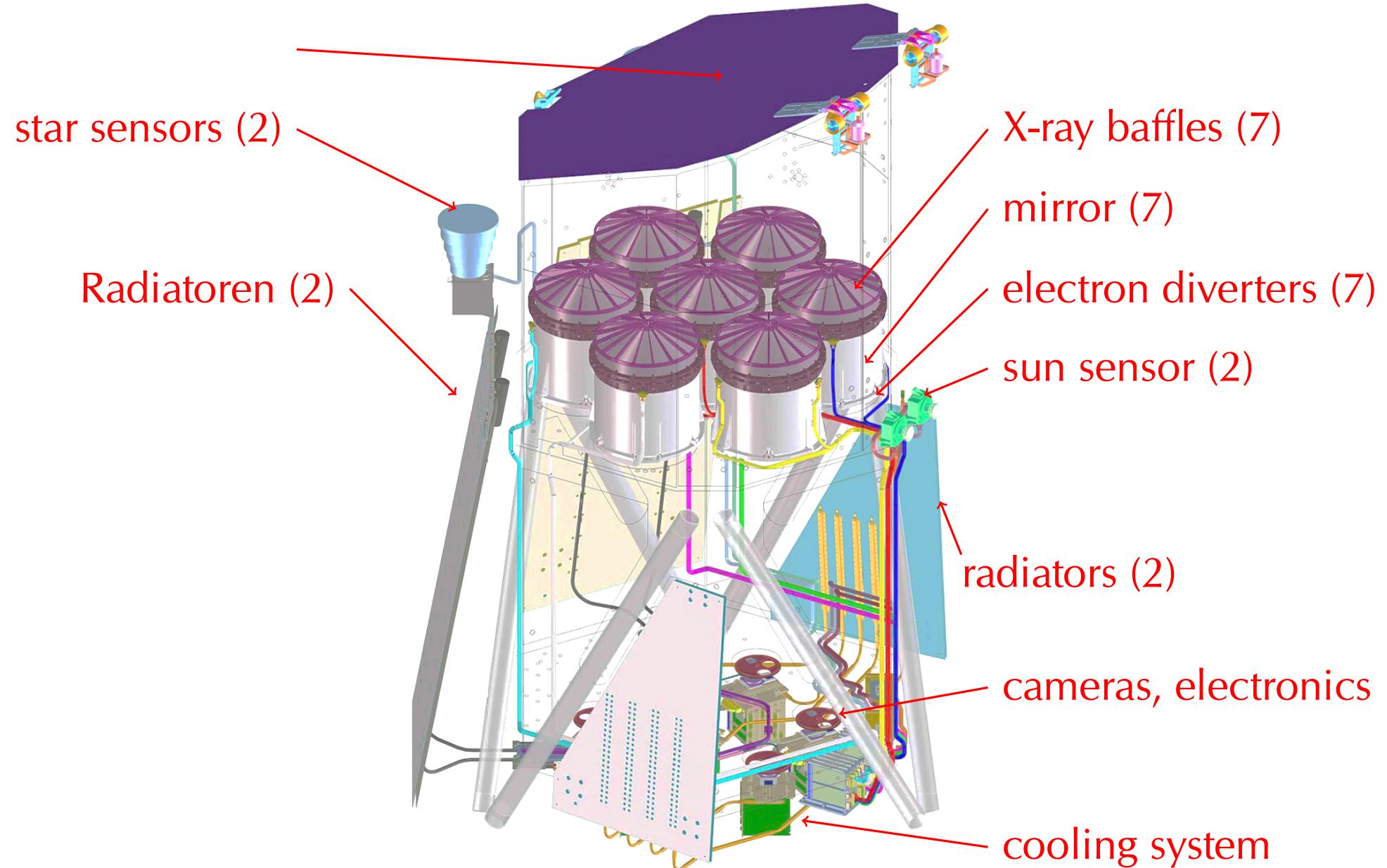


Mara Salvato, ESA, 16/7/2020

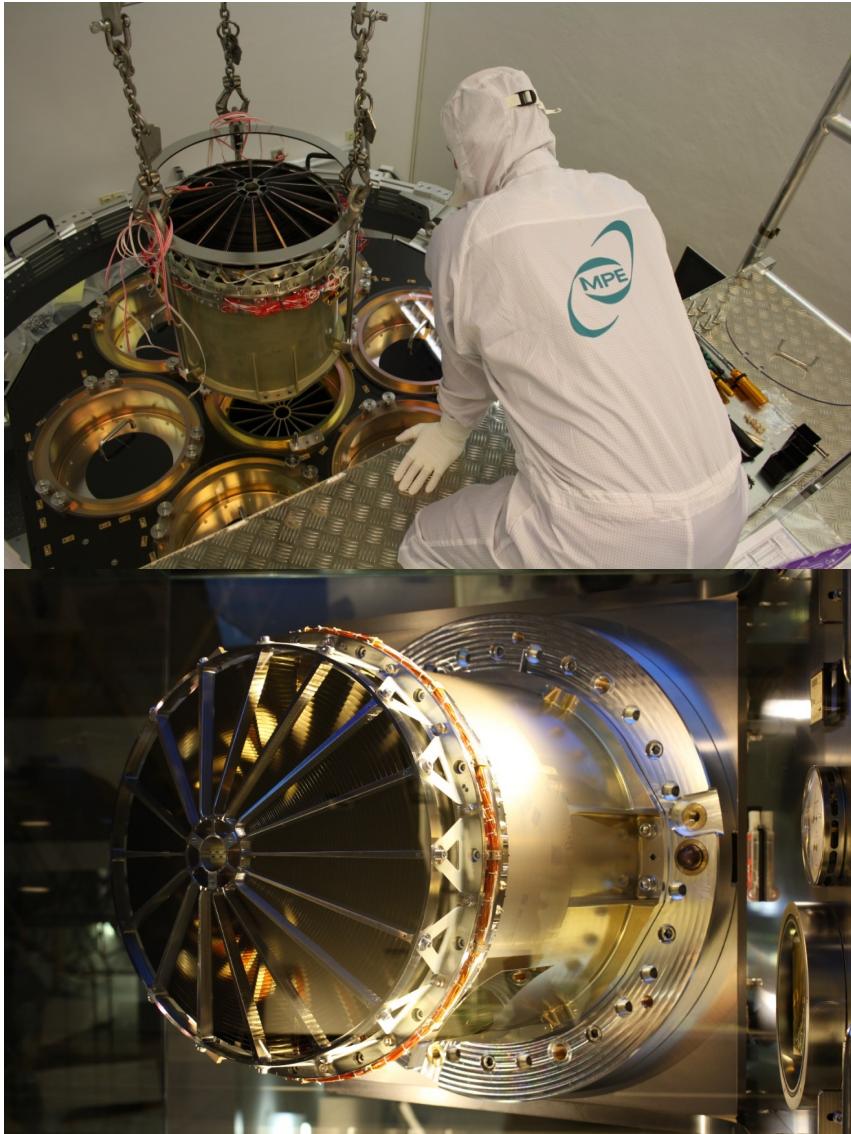
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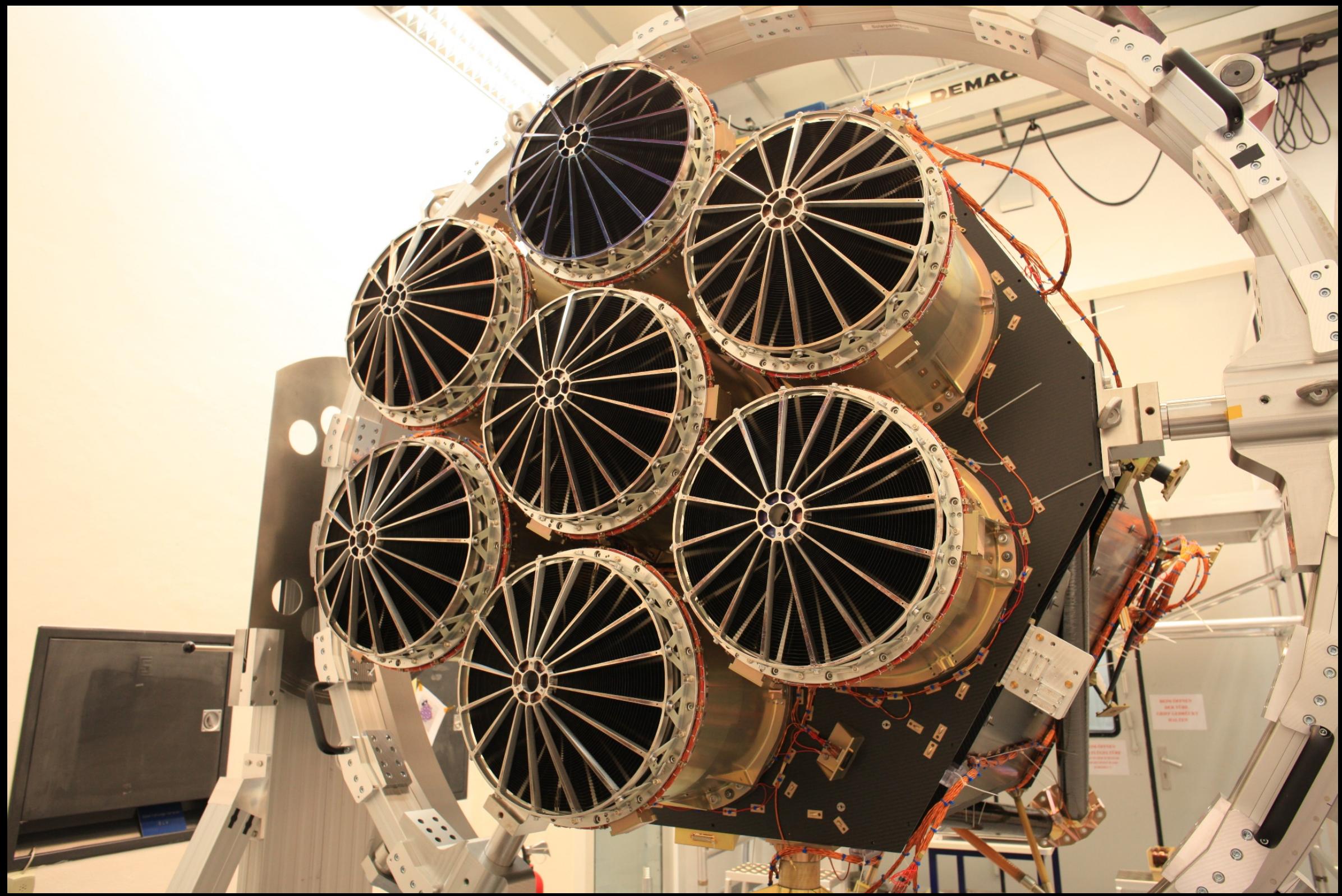


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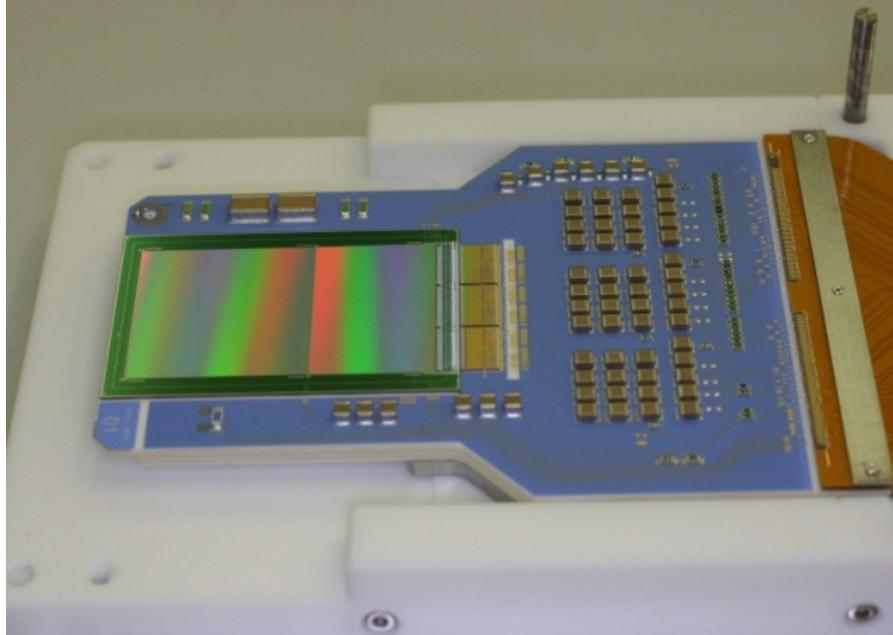
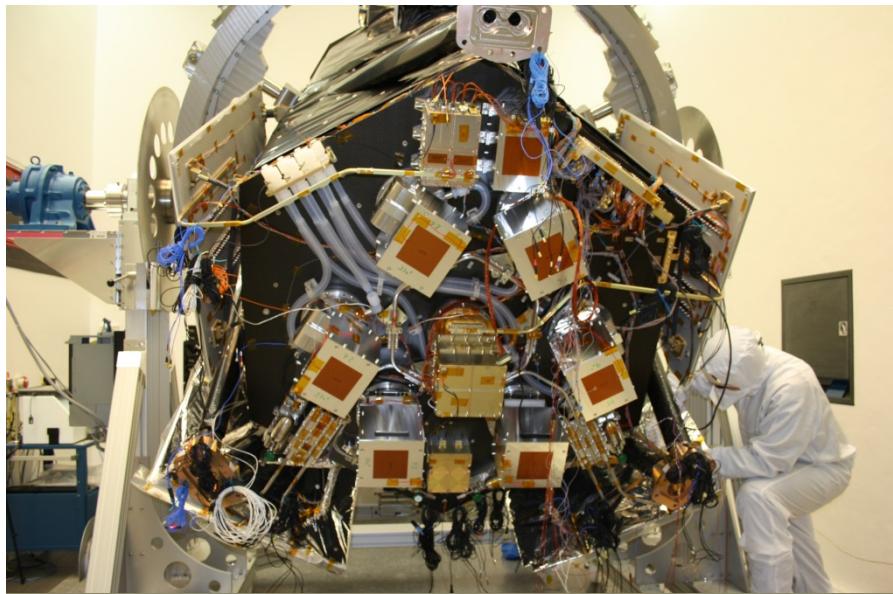
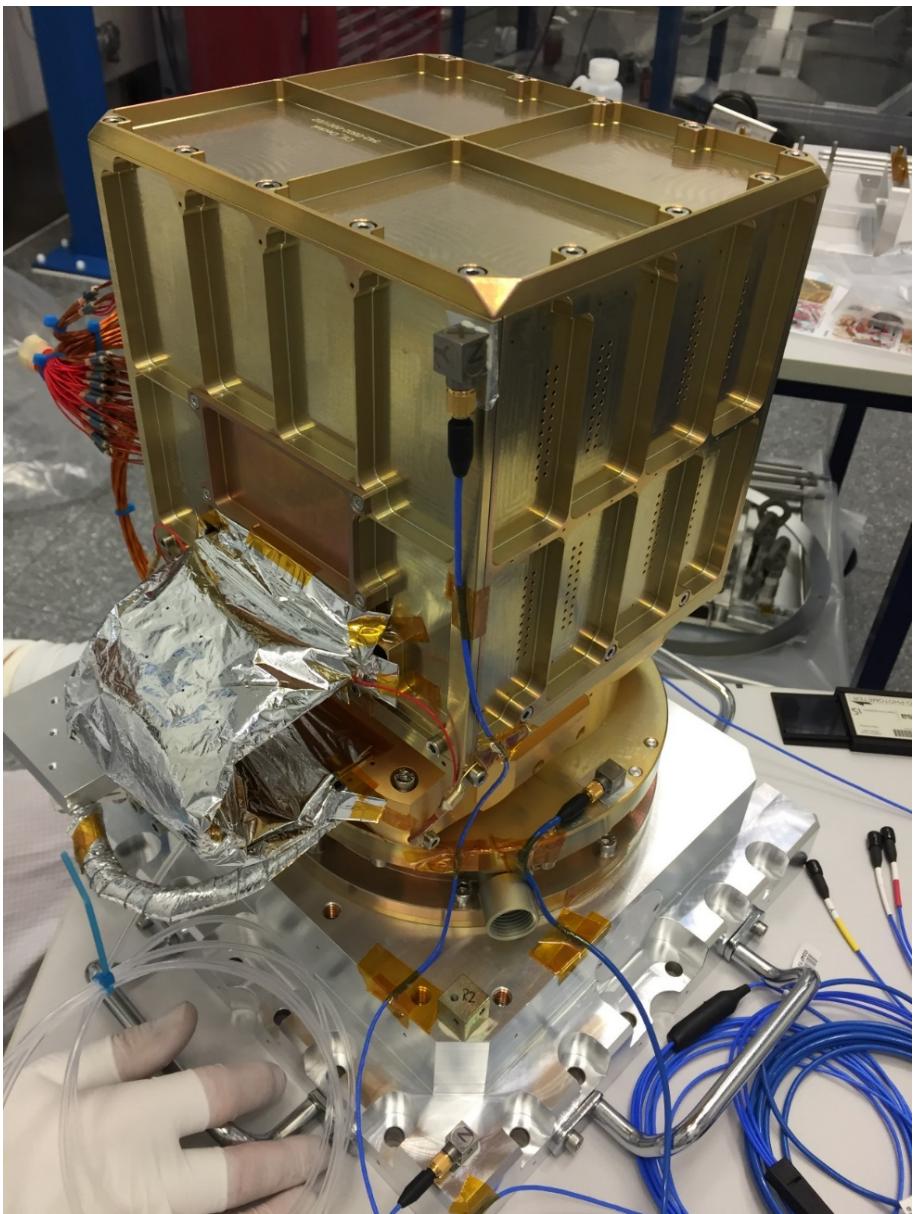


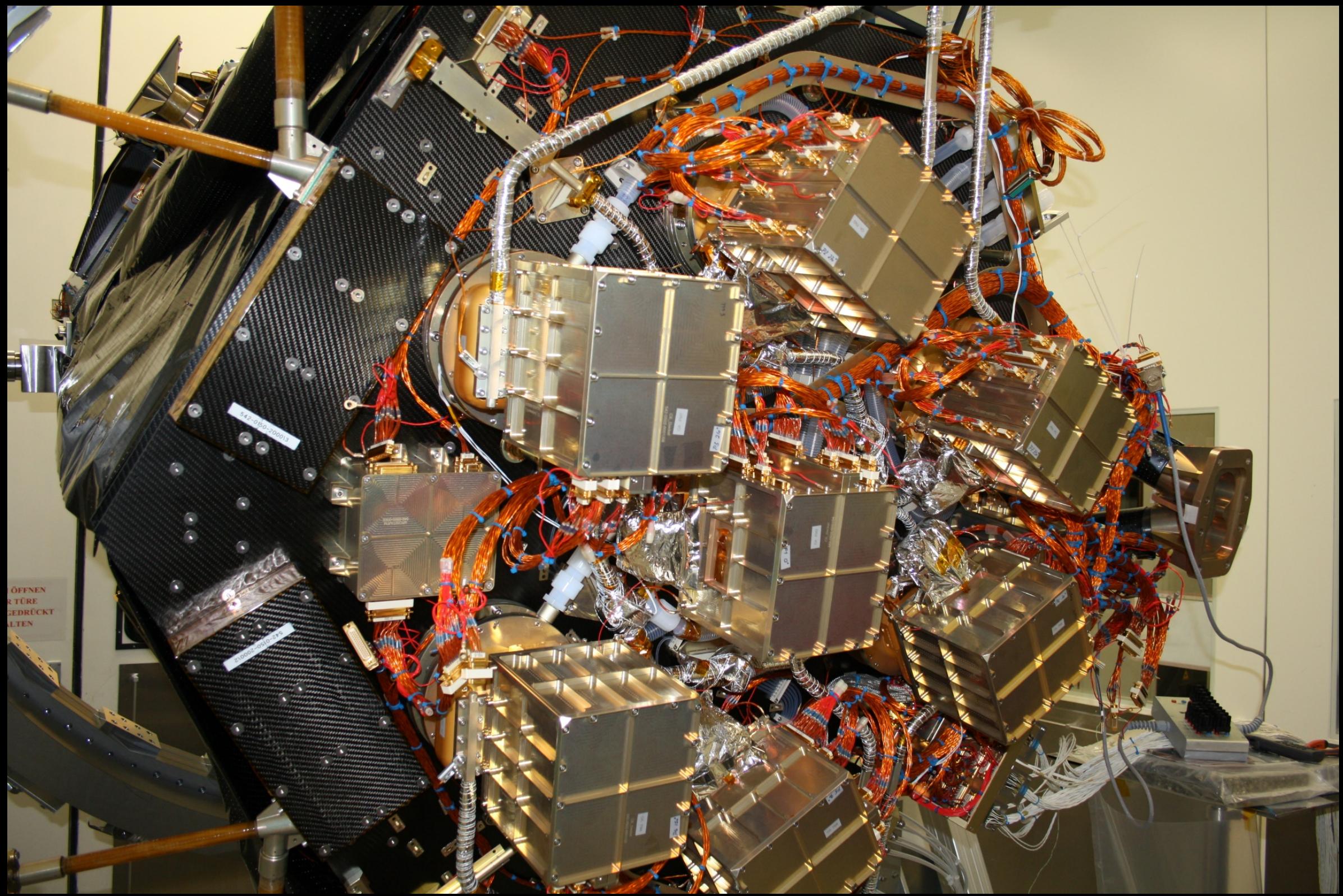
# Mirrors





# Cameras









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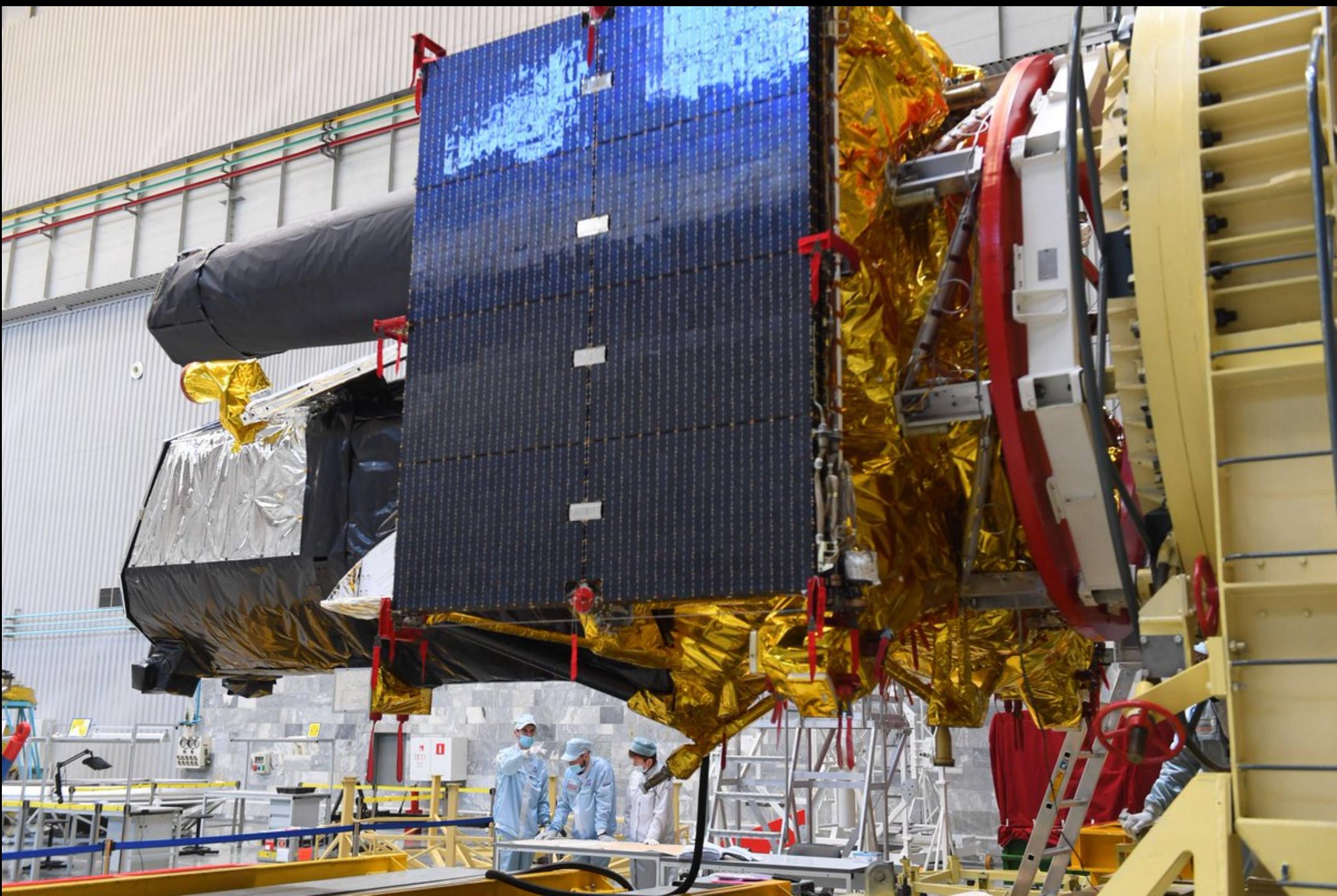












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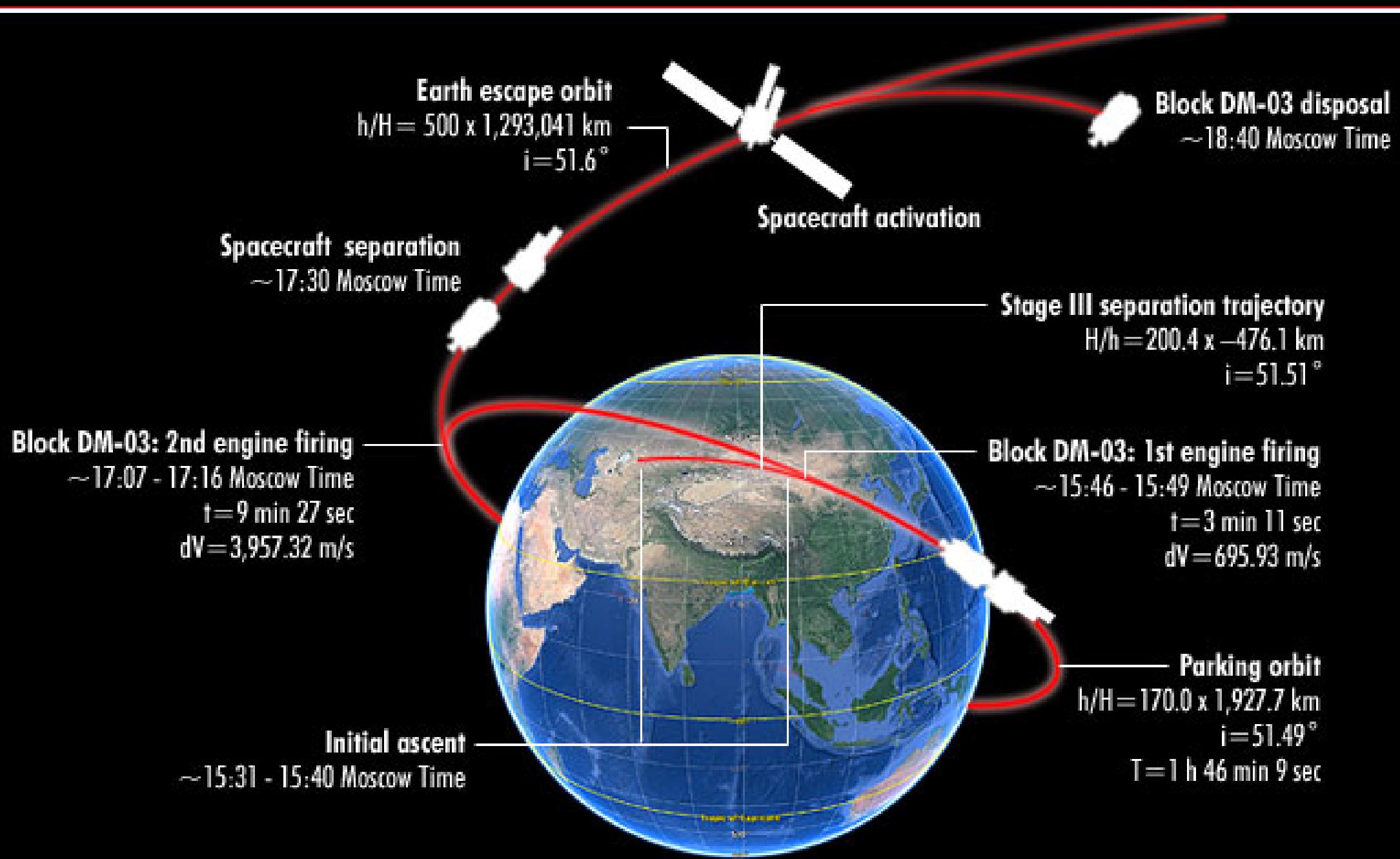
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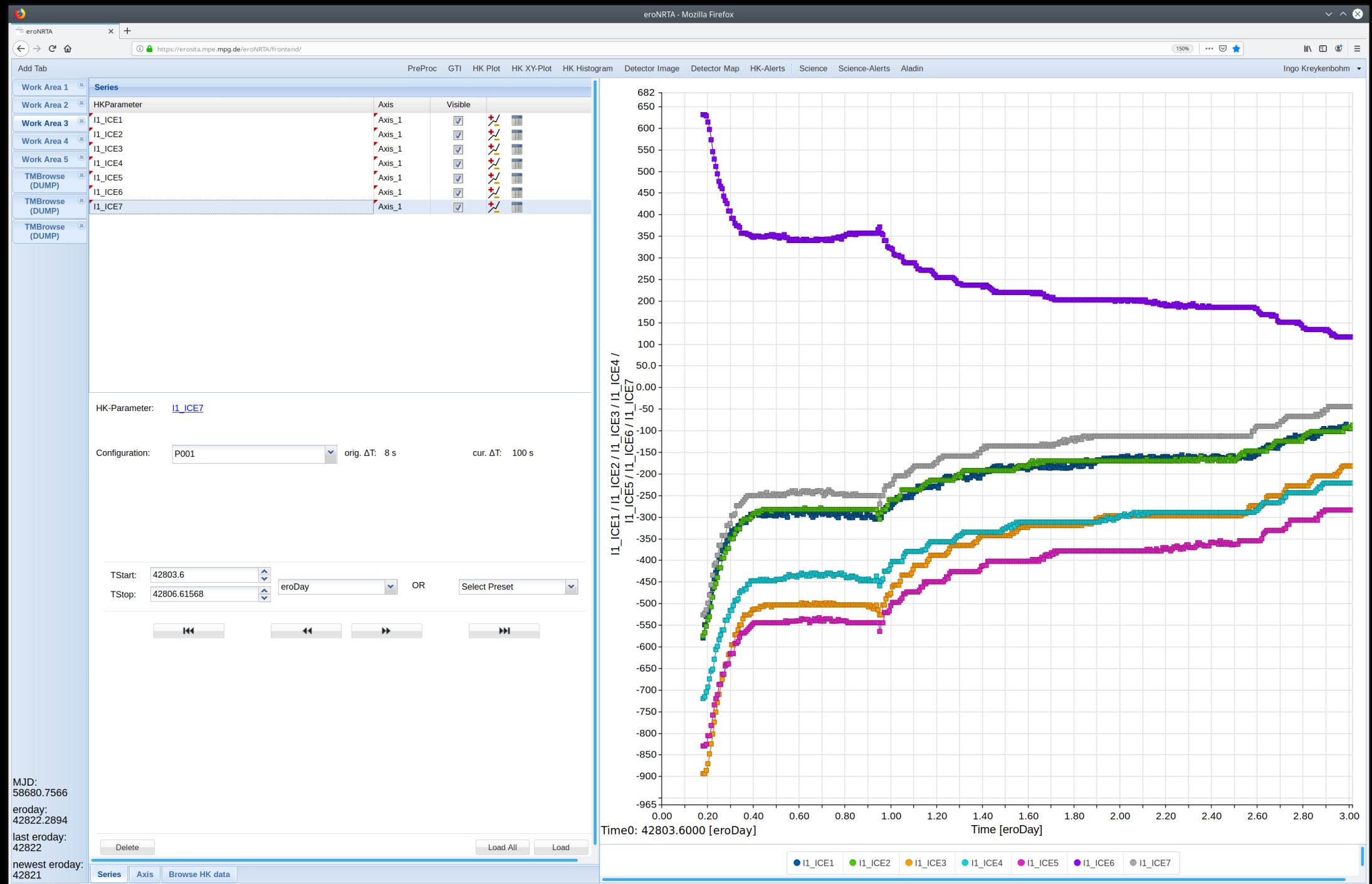


Not to scale

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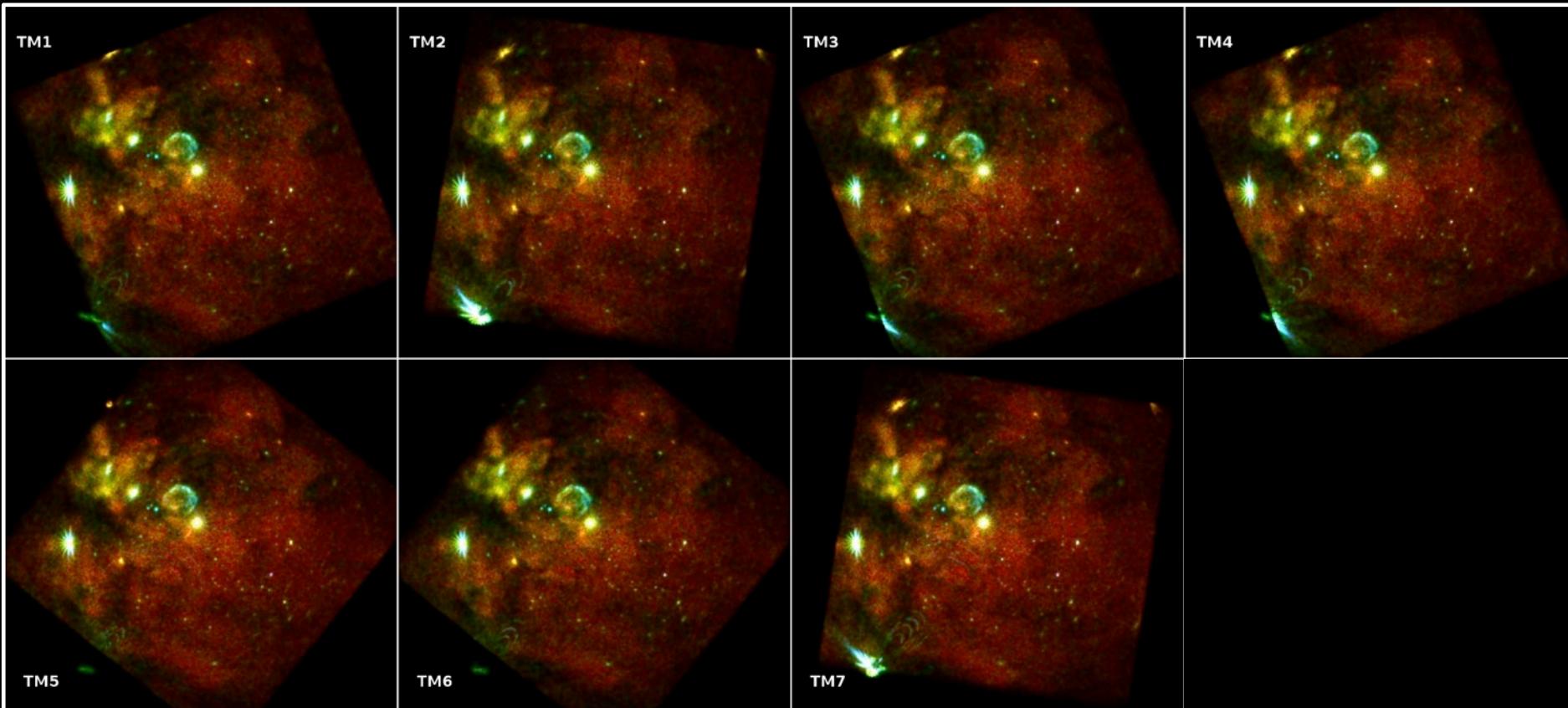
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# First light: Large Magellanic Cloud

SRG/eROSITA (0.2-4.5 keV)



LMC/SN1987A

MPE/IKI

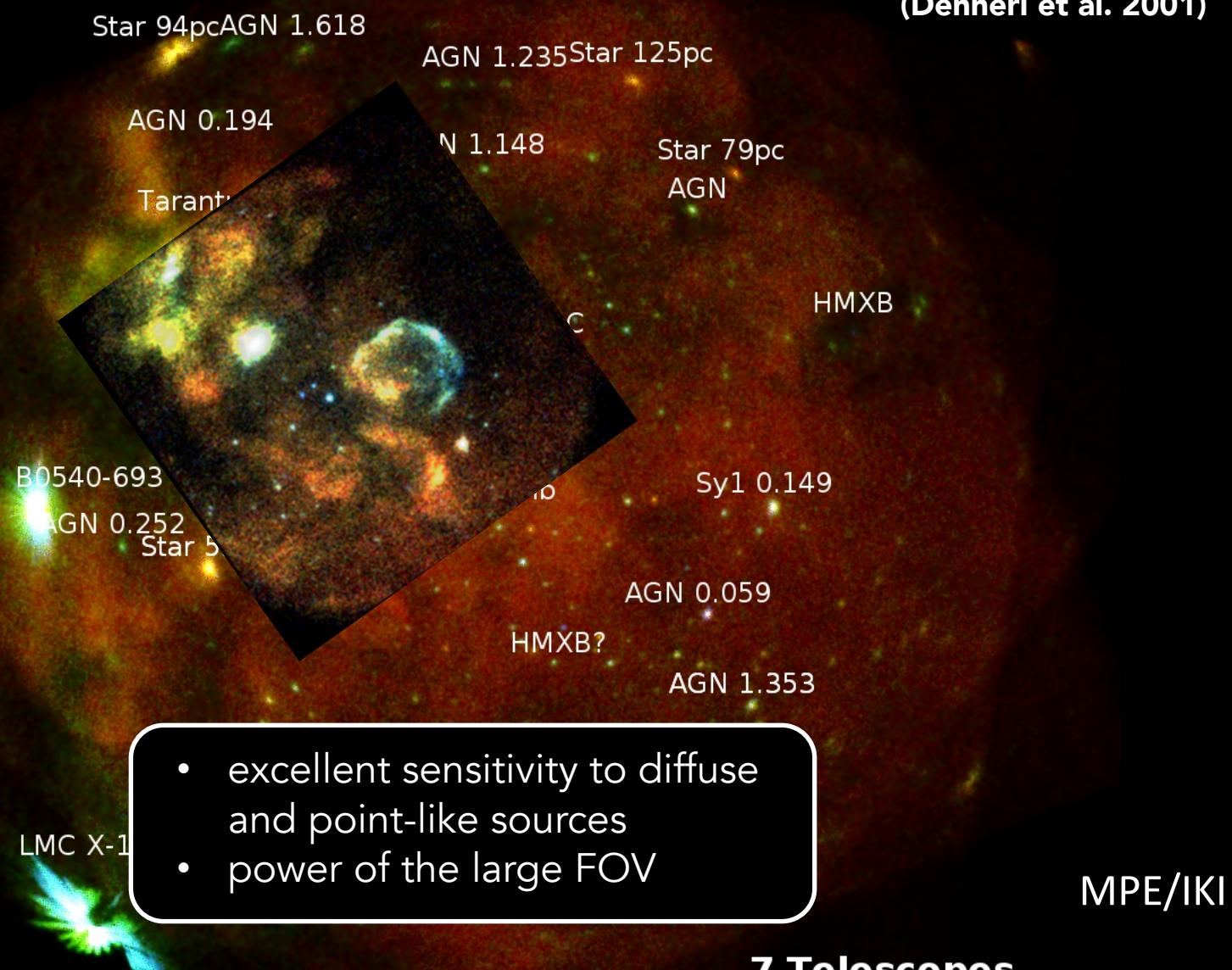
Credit: F. Haberl, M. Freyberg, C. Maitra

Merloni, MPIA KoCo, 2/2020

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



- excellent sensitivity to diffuse and point-like sources
- power of the large FOV

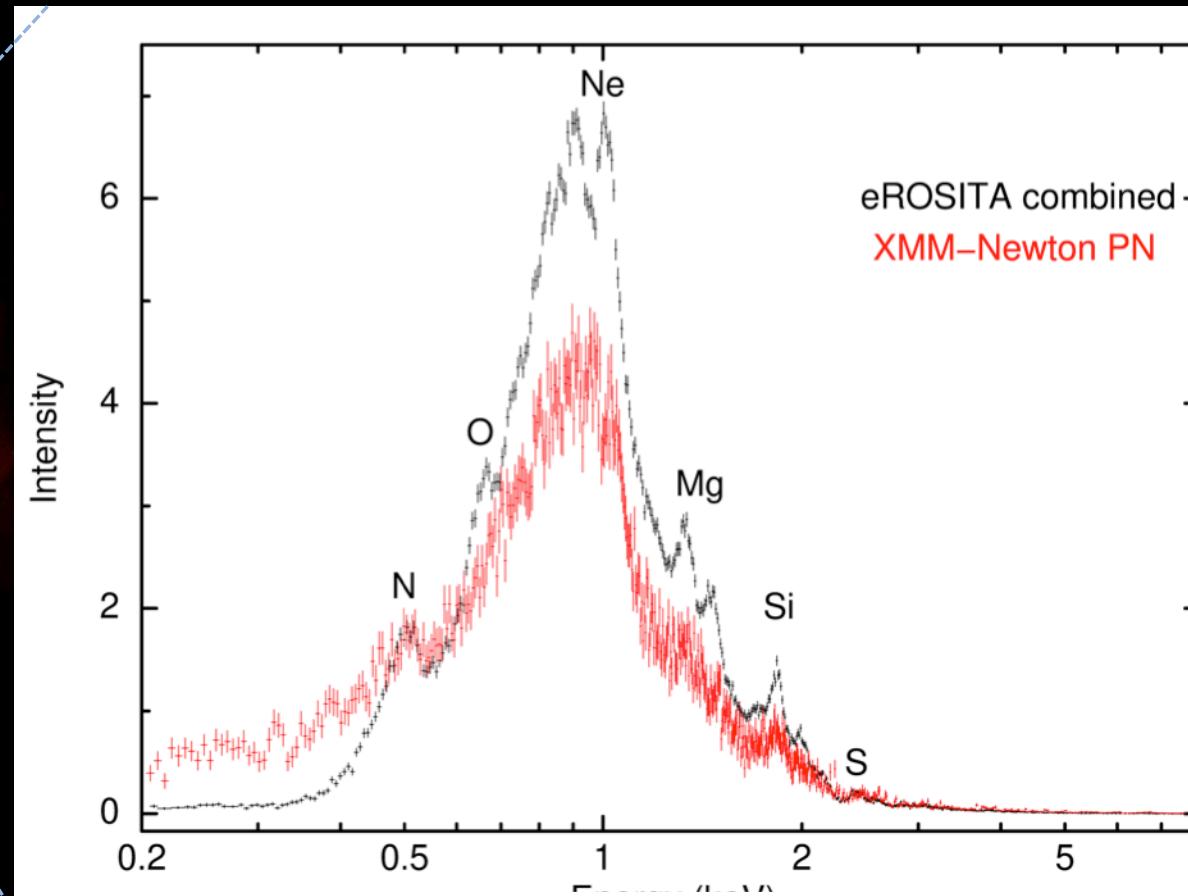
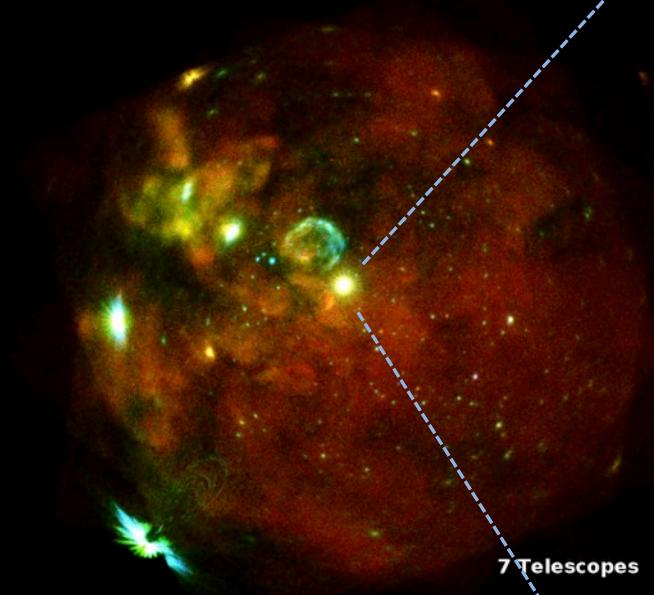
## 7 Telescopes

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## SN 1987A in the LMC

SRG/eROSITA

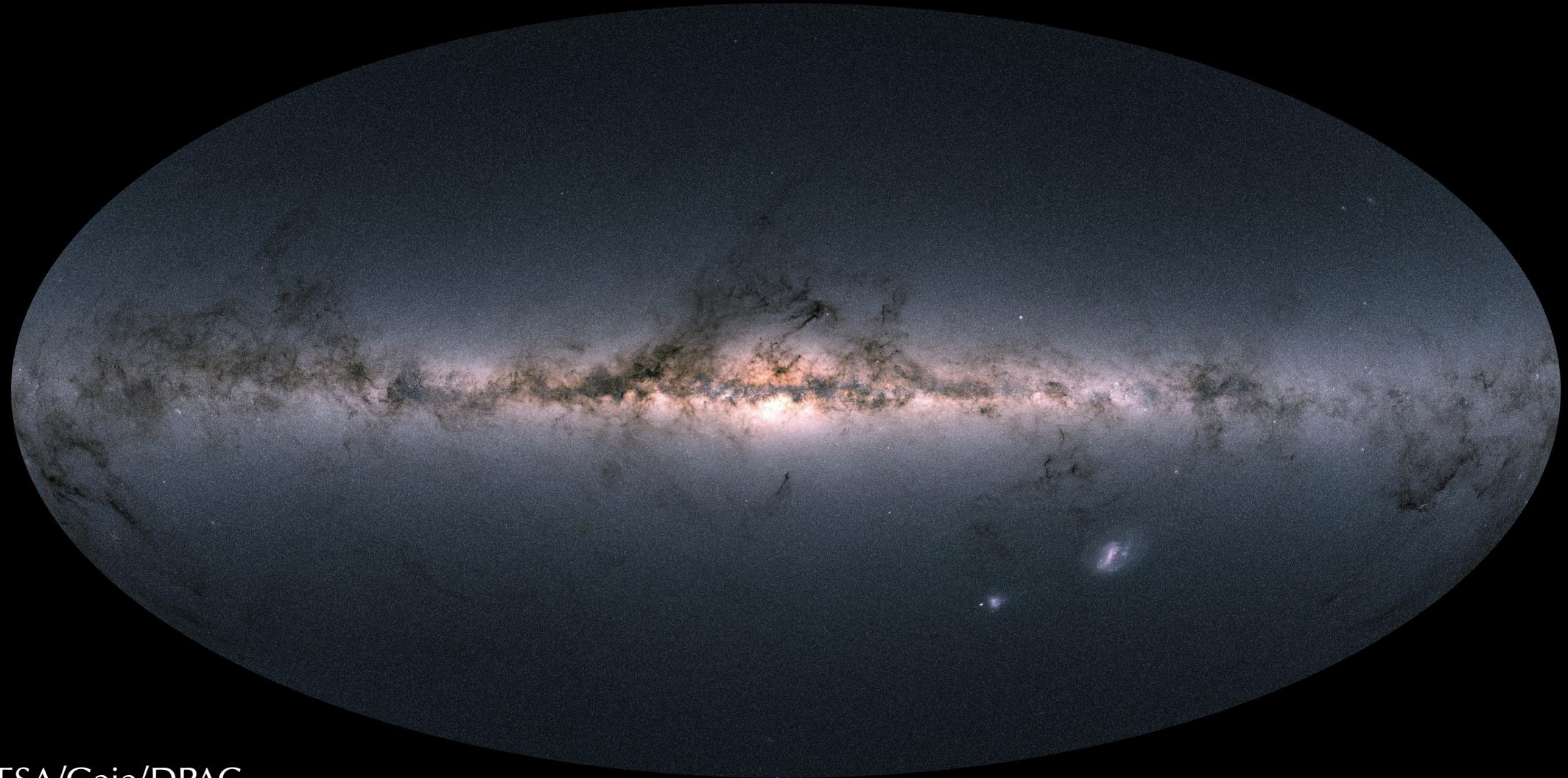


- higher throughput than XMM-Newton PN
- spectral resolution: best CCD-camera in space  
50 eV@0.3 keV, 77 eV@1.5 keV

Haberl, Maitra, Freyberg. MPE

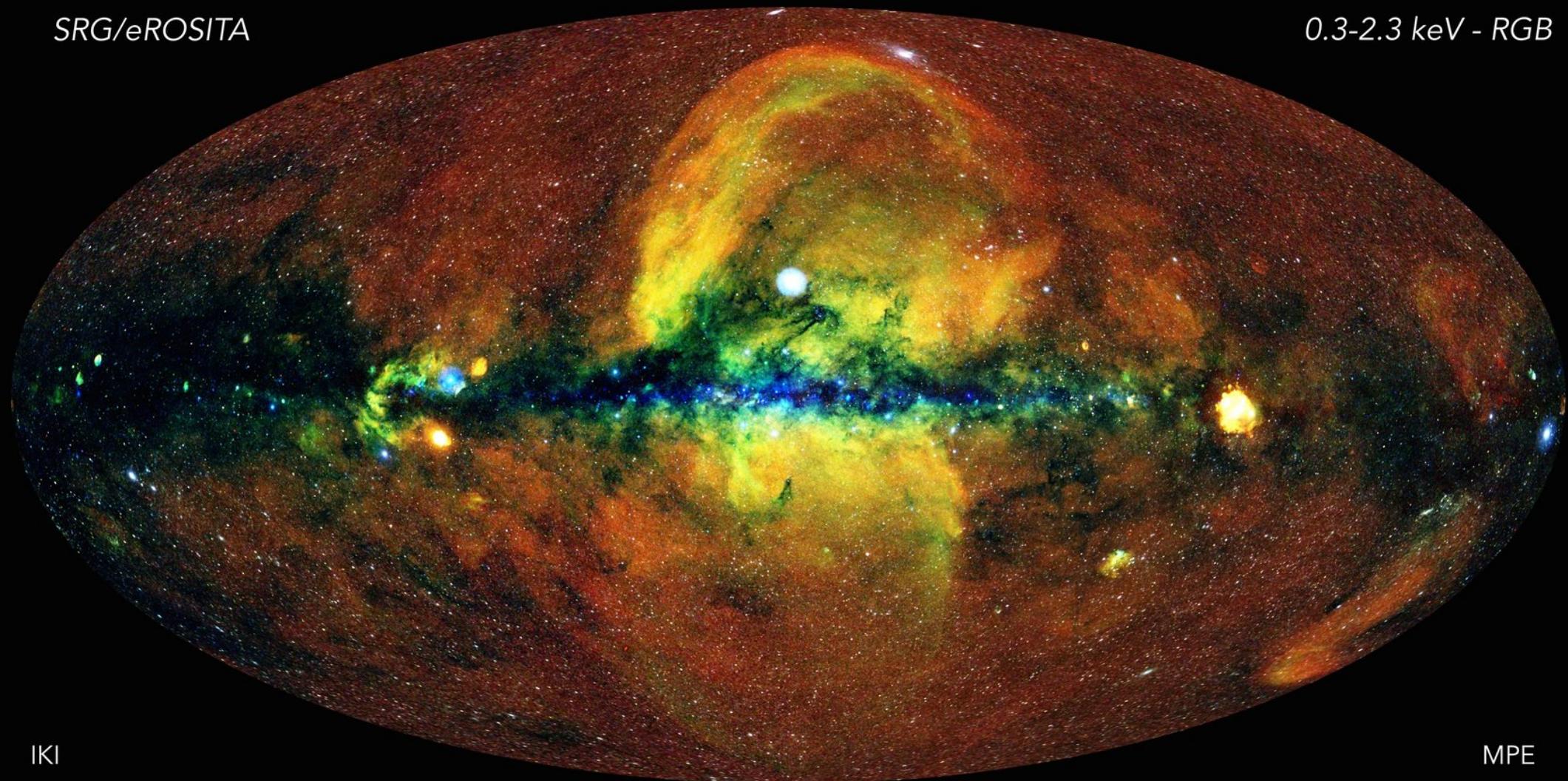
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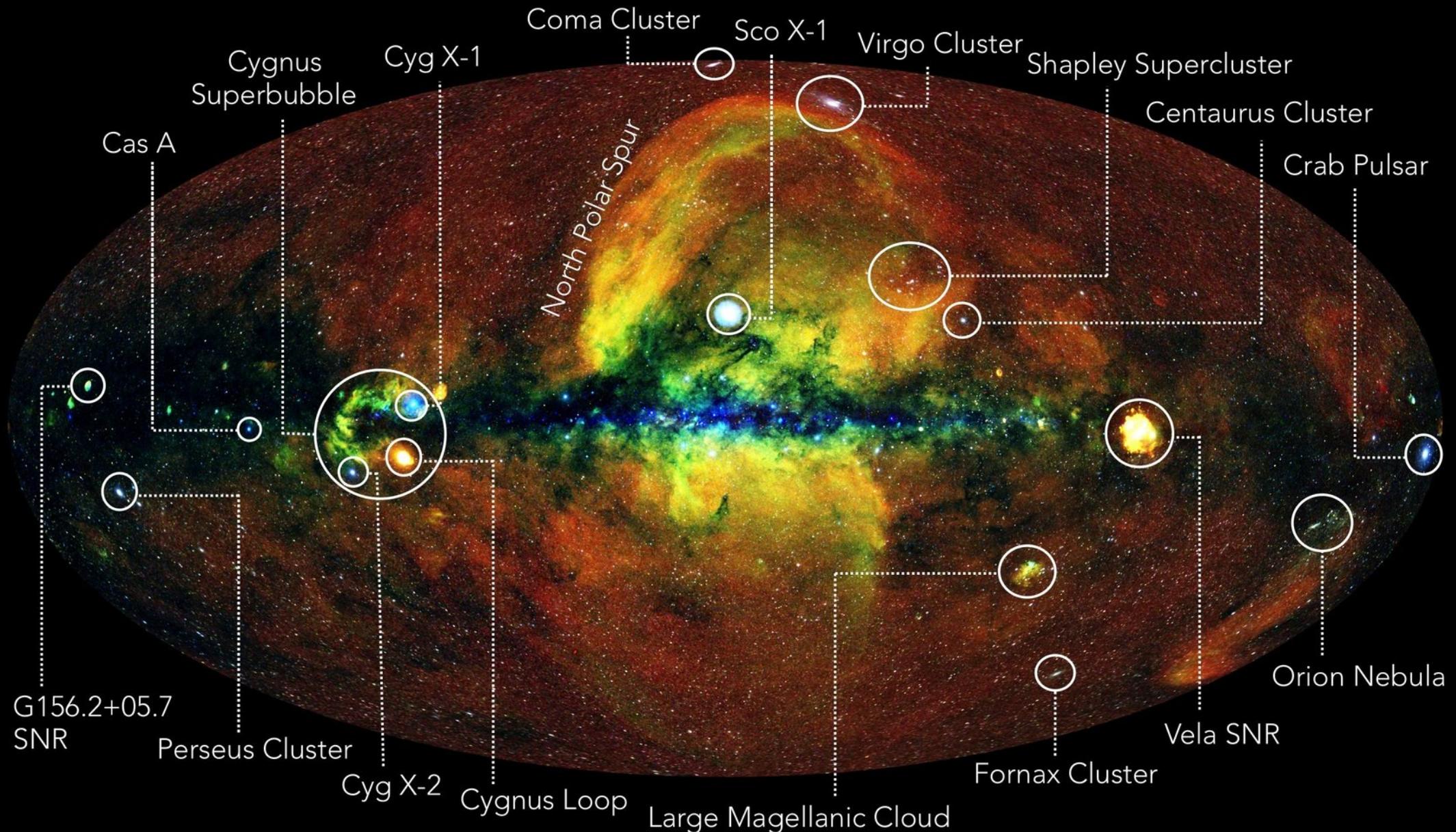


ESA/Gaia/DPAC

# The first eROSITA All Sky Survey

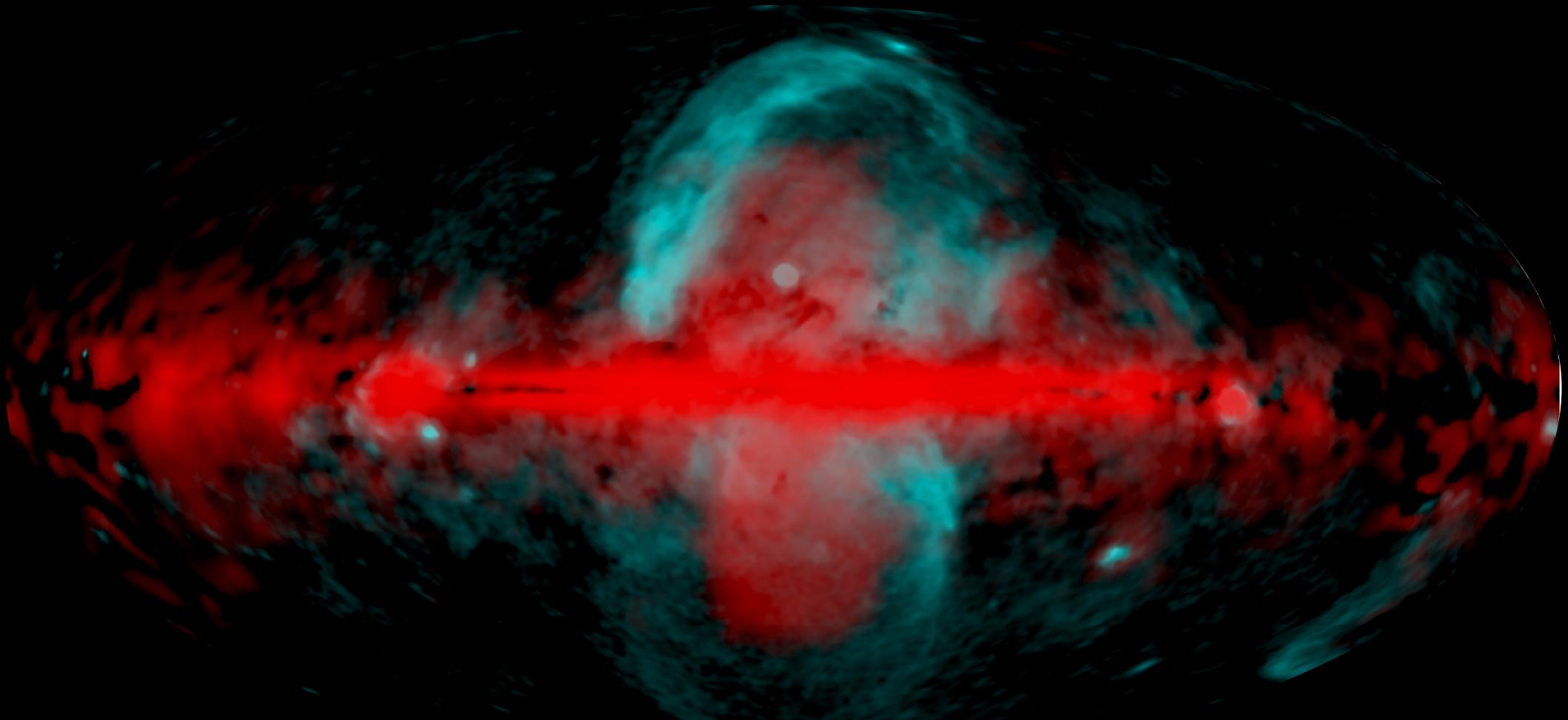


# Navigating the eROSITA X-ray sky



- 1.1 M sources
- >5k galaxy clusters

# eROSITA and the Fermi bubbles

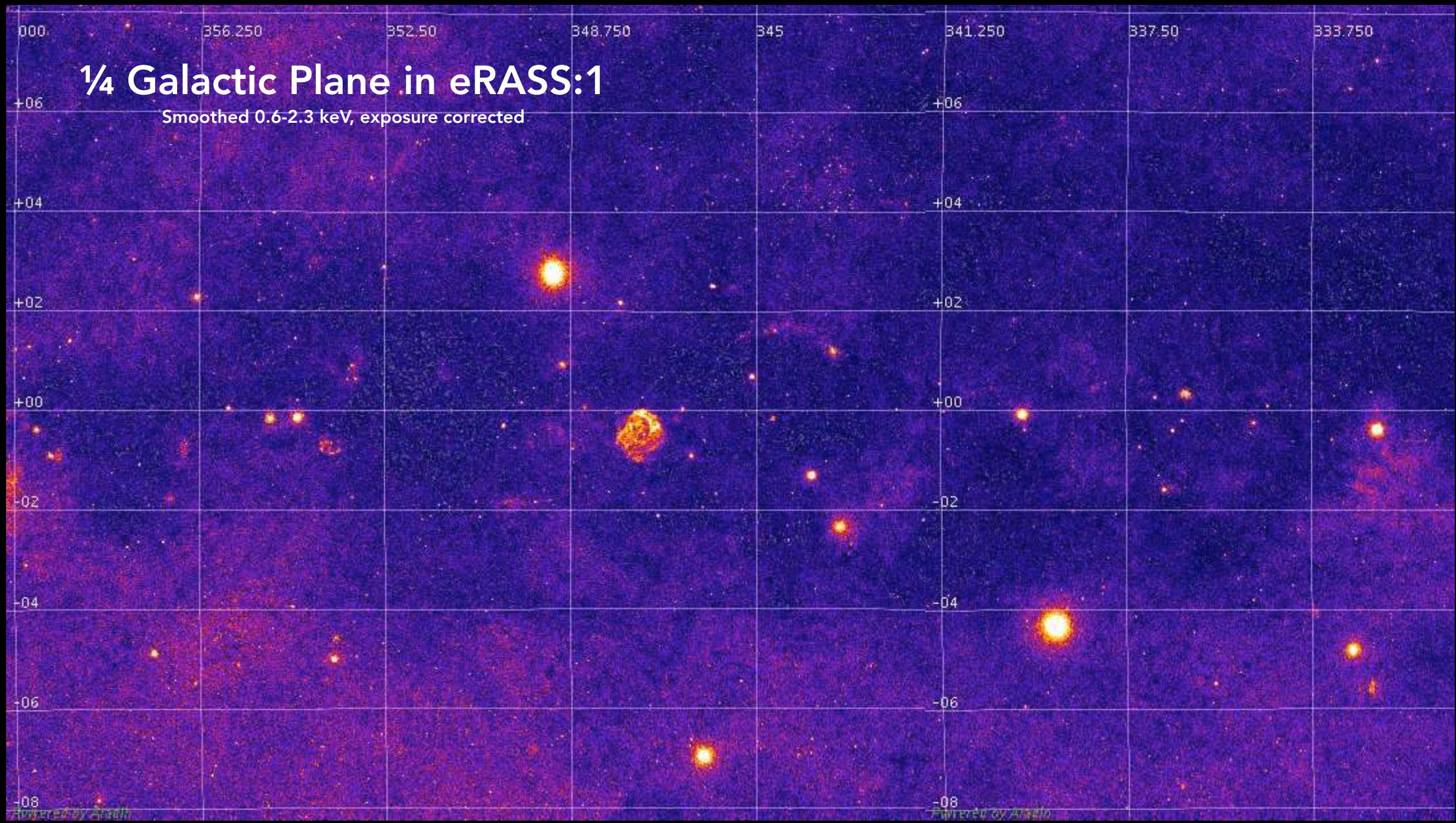


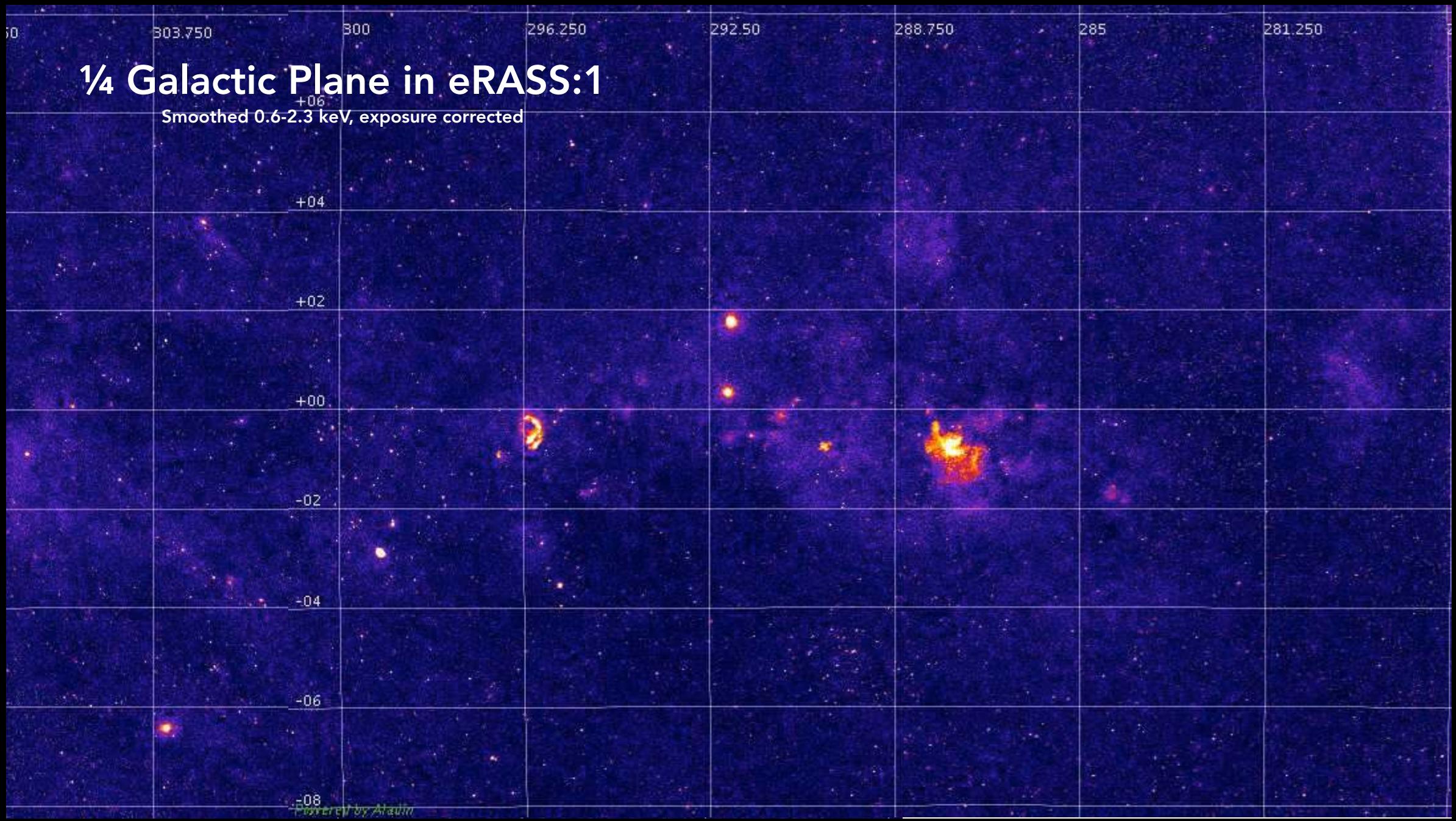
Predehl et al., 2020, Nature 588, 227

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

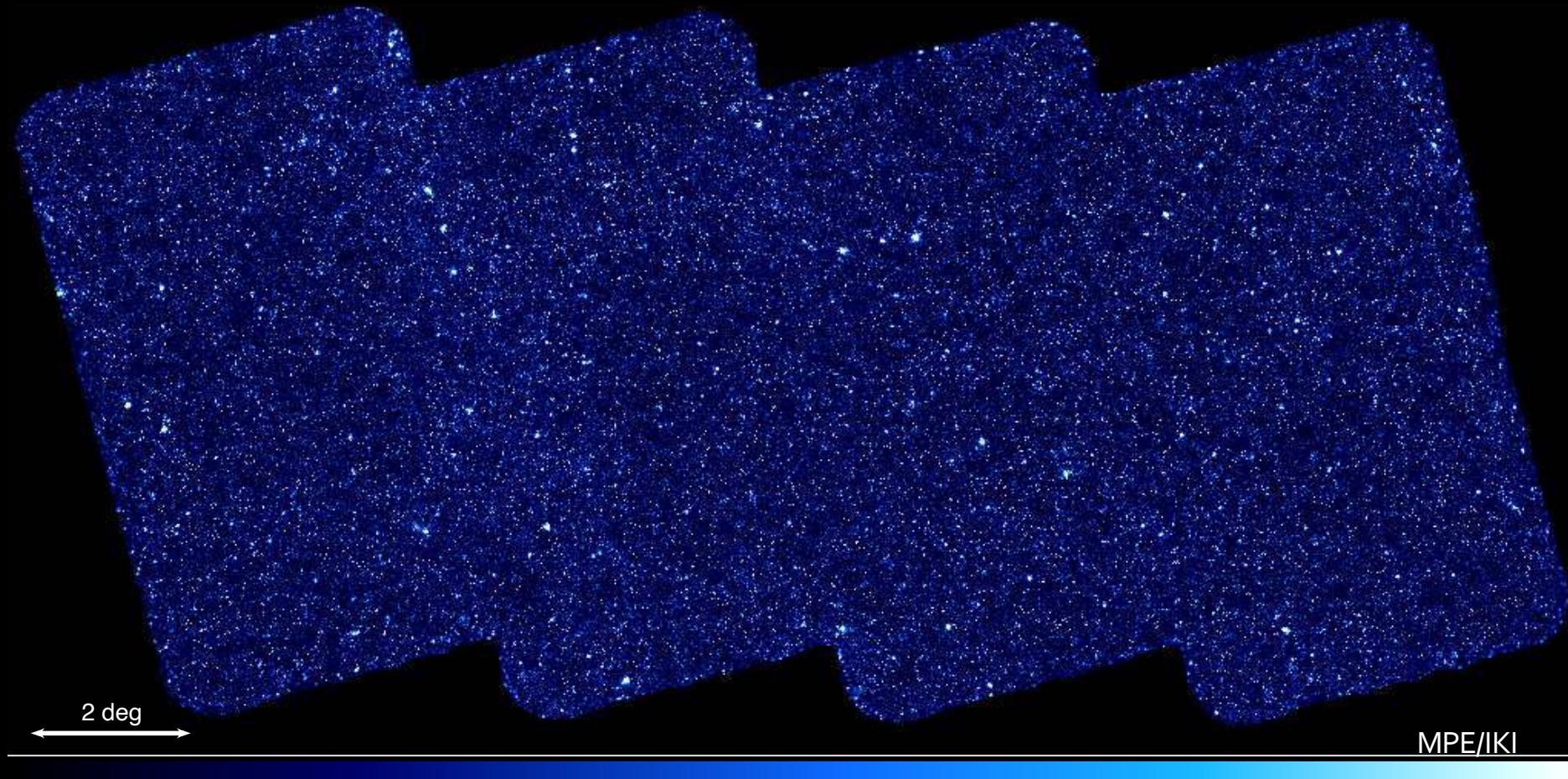
$$L_X \sim 1 \times 10^{39} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \sim 25 \times 10^6 L_\odot$$

need  $10^{41} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$  for a few Myr (Star Burst or Activity in Sgr A\*)





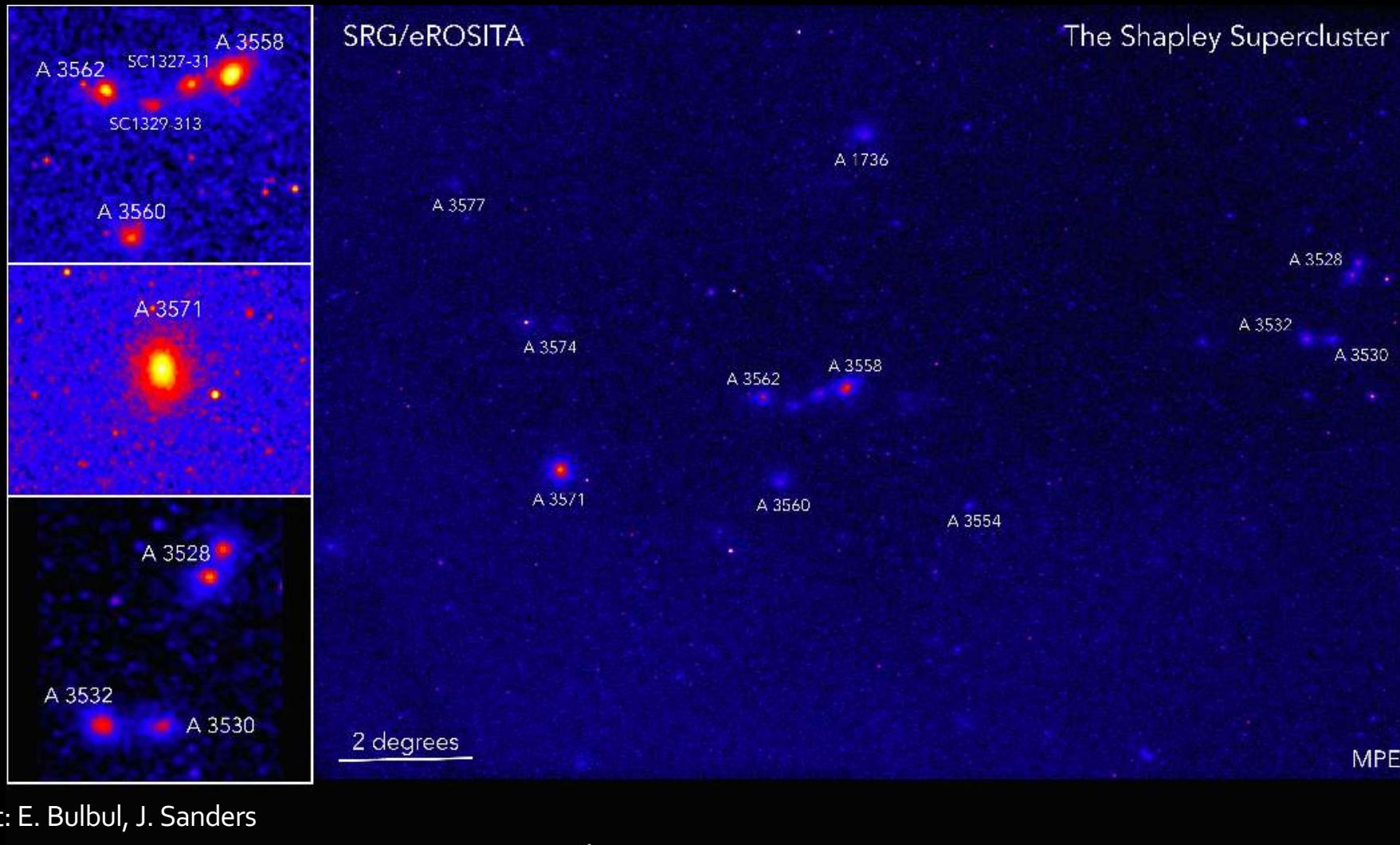
# eROSITA Final Equatorial-Depth Survey



Credit: H. Brunner, M. Ramos-Caja

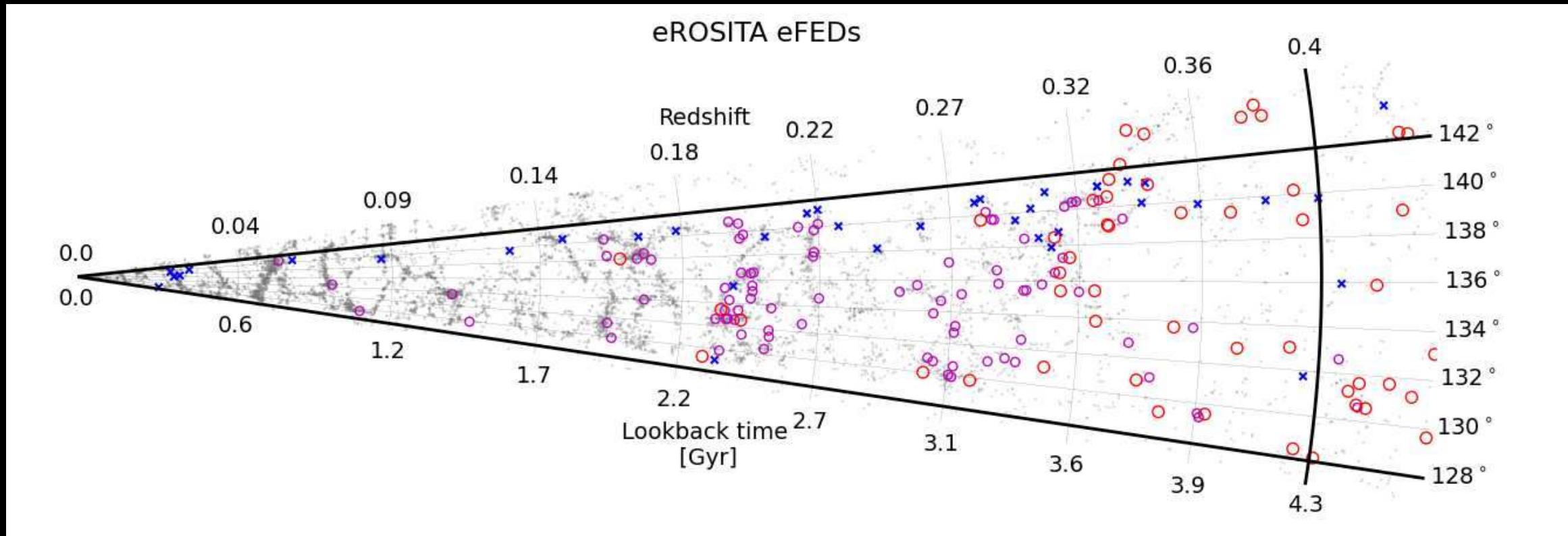
Exposure corrected image in the 0.5–2.0 keV band

# Mapping the Large Scale Structure



Credit: E. Bulbul, J. Sanders

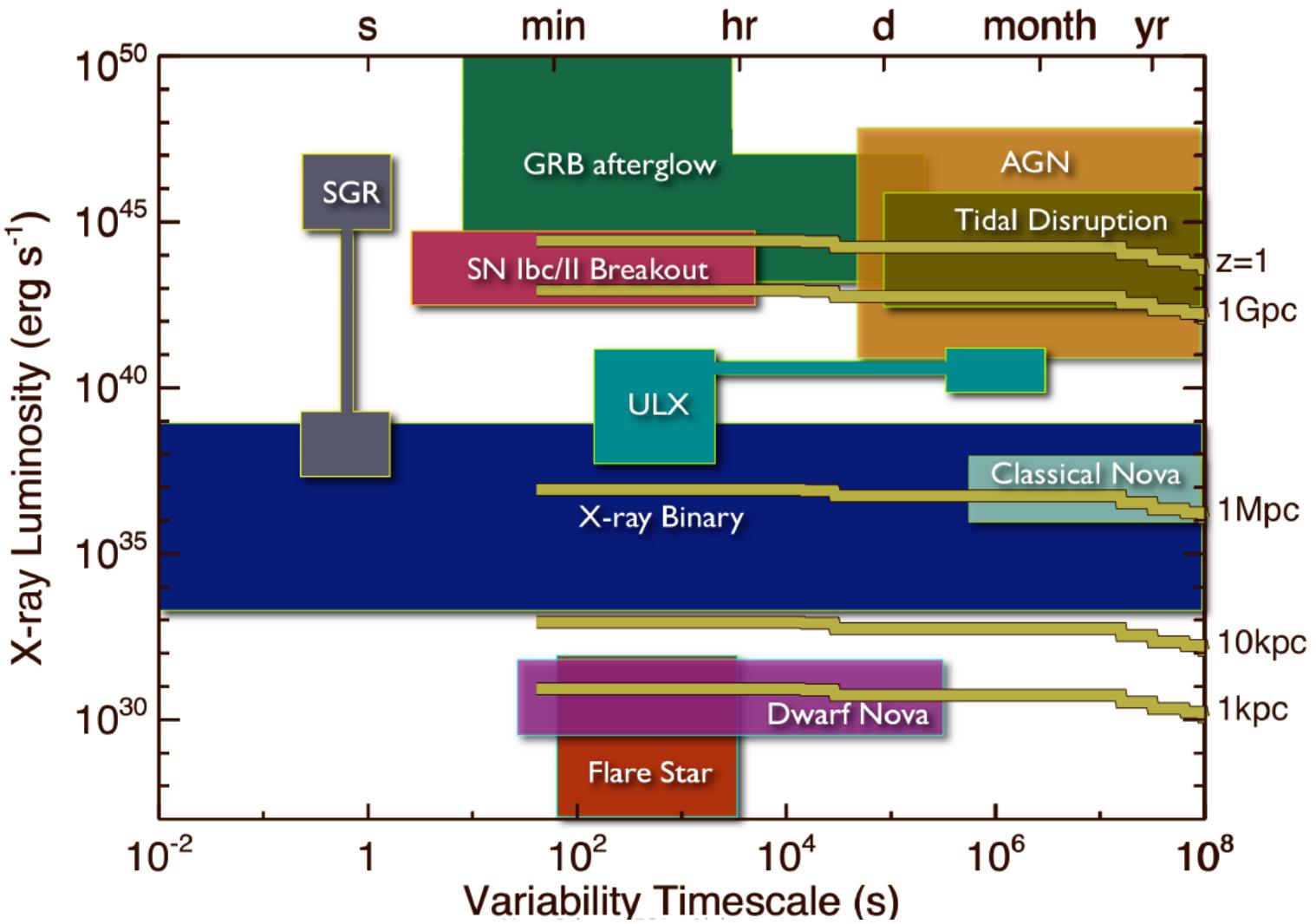
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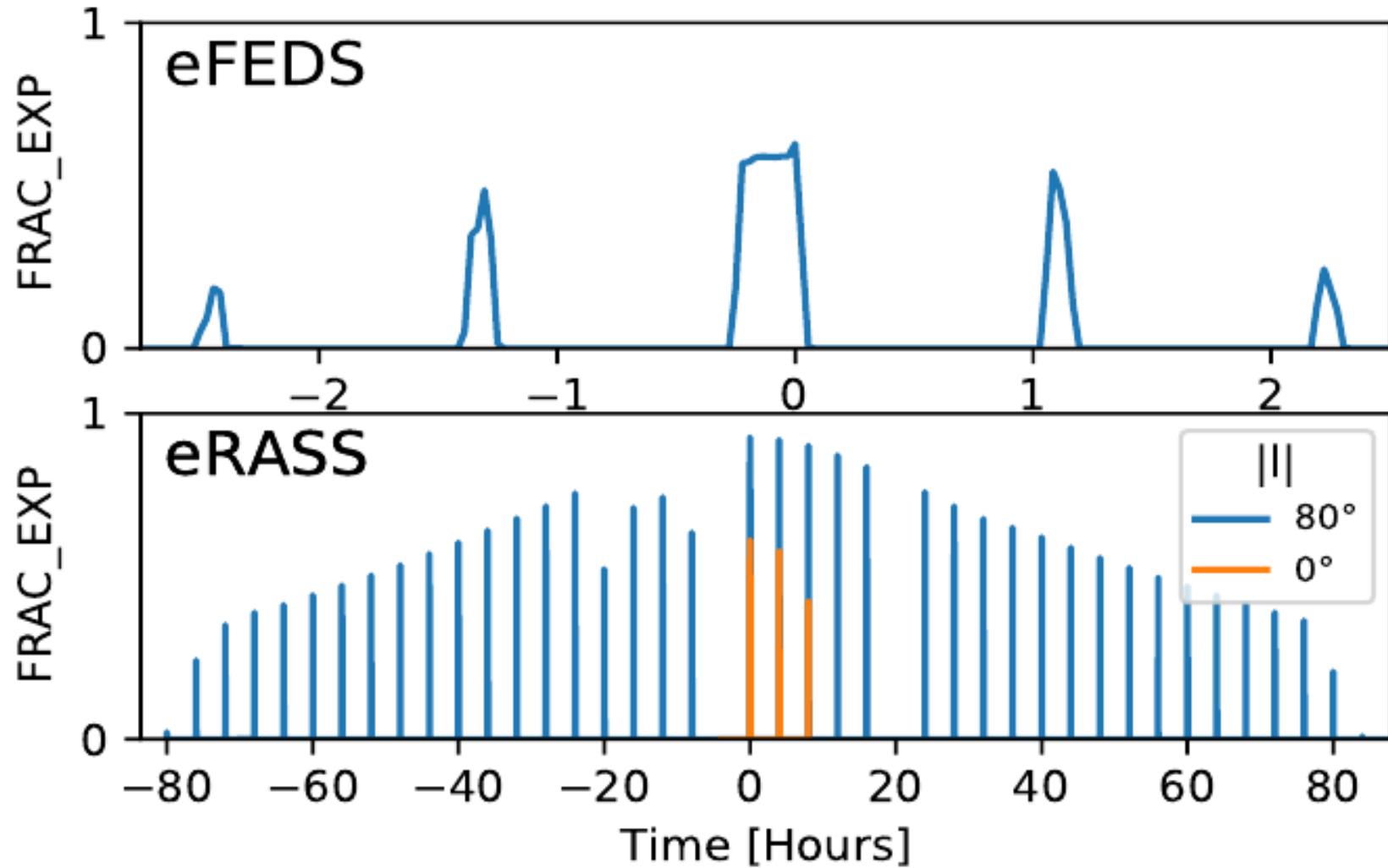
## Variability with eROSITA



Merloni et al., eROSITA Science Book

eROSITA can contribute on timescales of  $\sim 4 \text{ h}$  and  $6 \text{ Months!}$   
⇒ follow up w/other instruments necessary

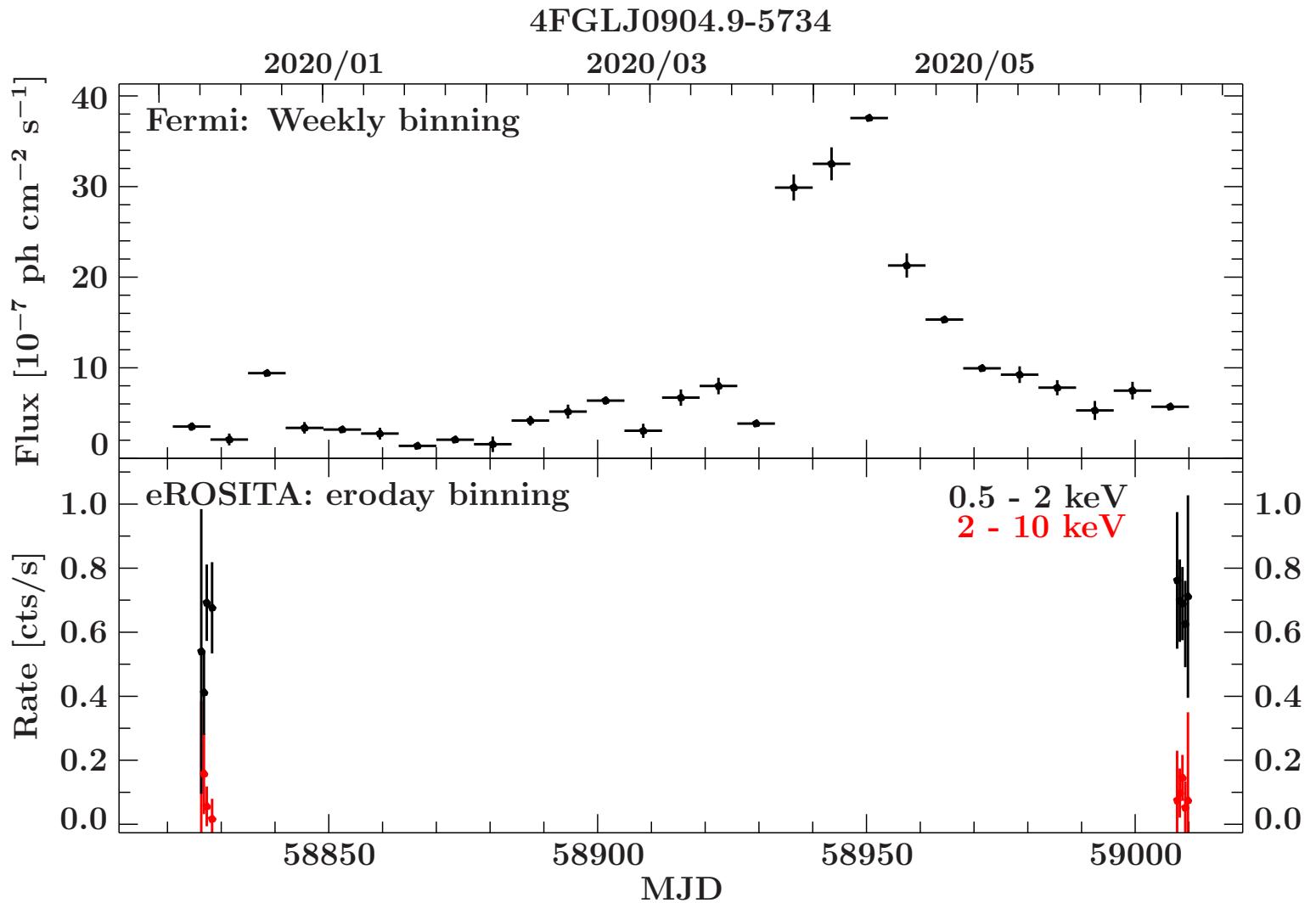
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Buchner et al. (submitted)

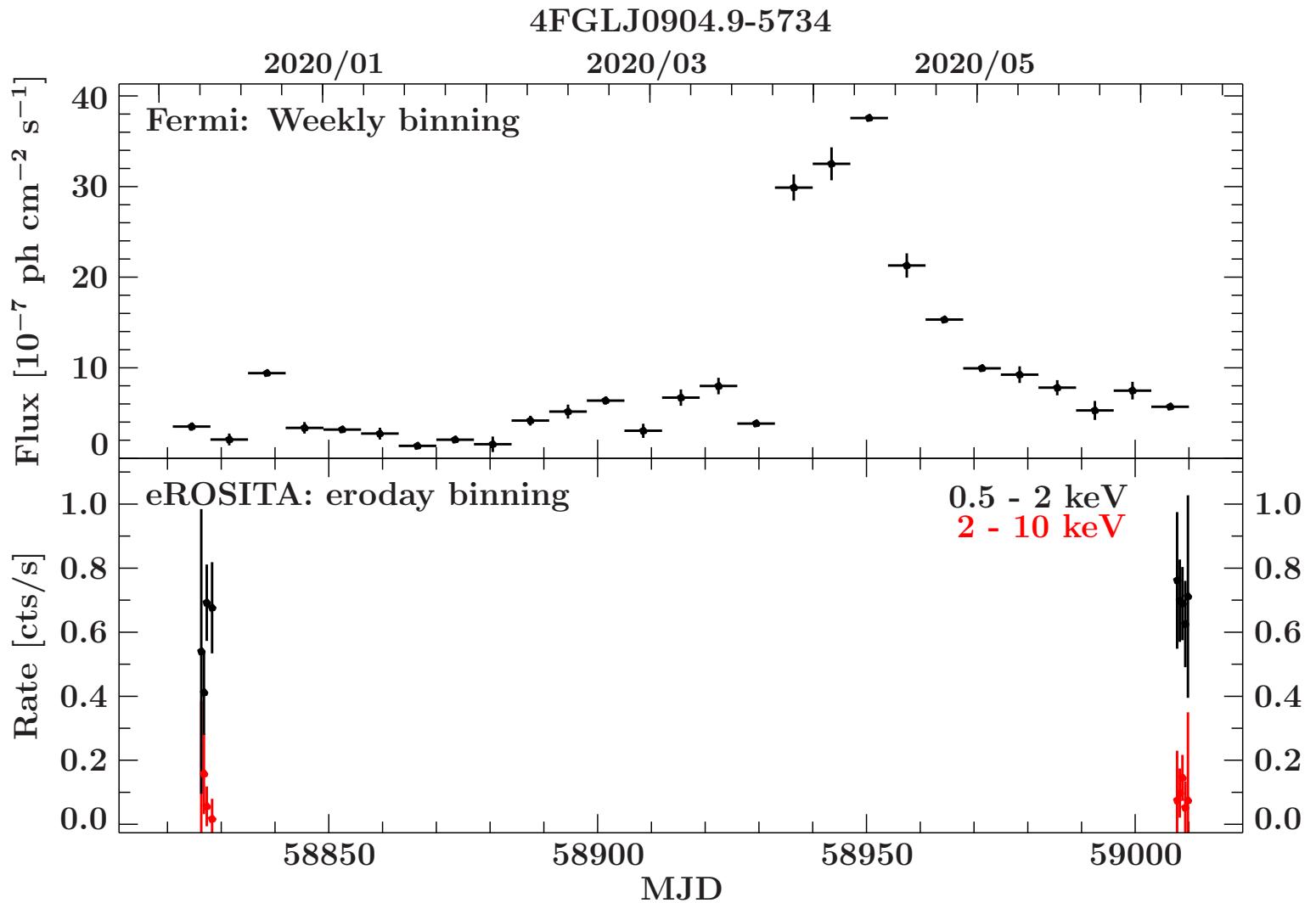
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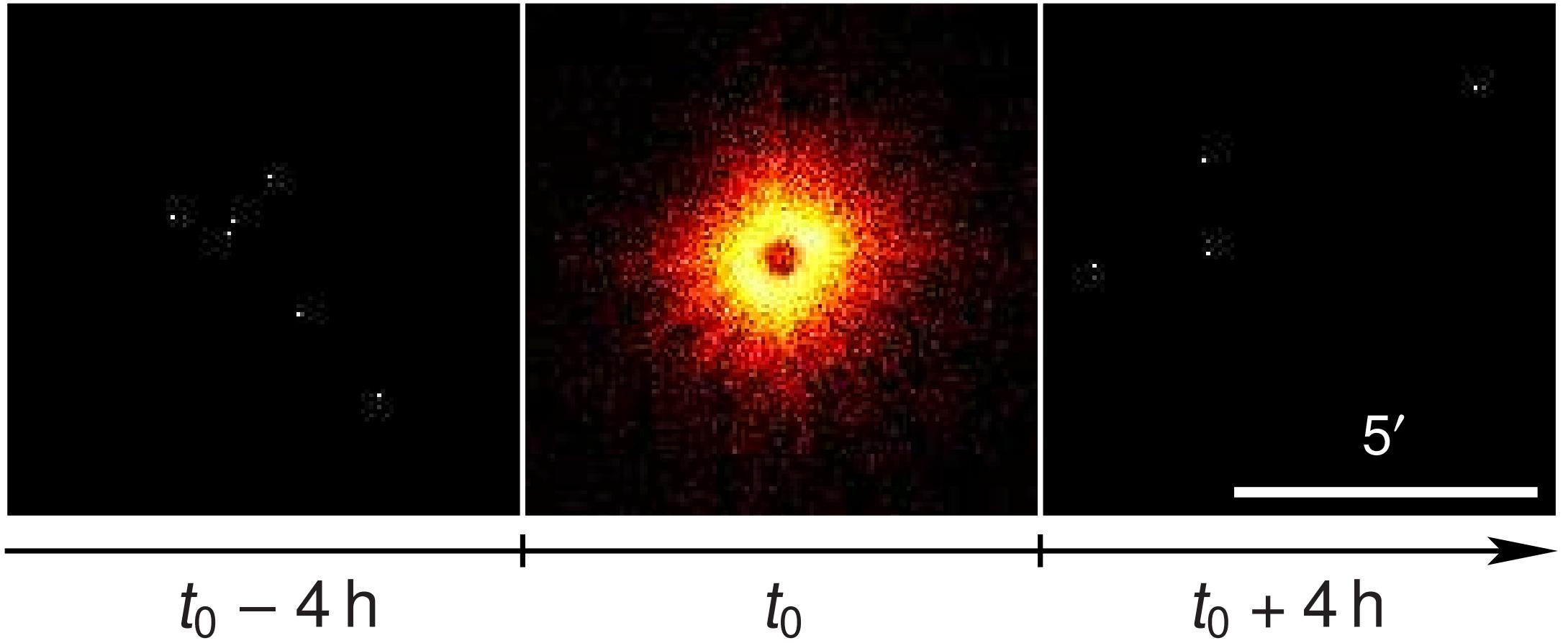
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eROSITA excels at variability studies for large samples, and as finder for individual interesting sources.

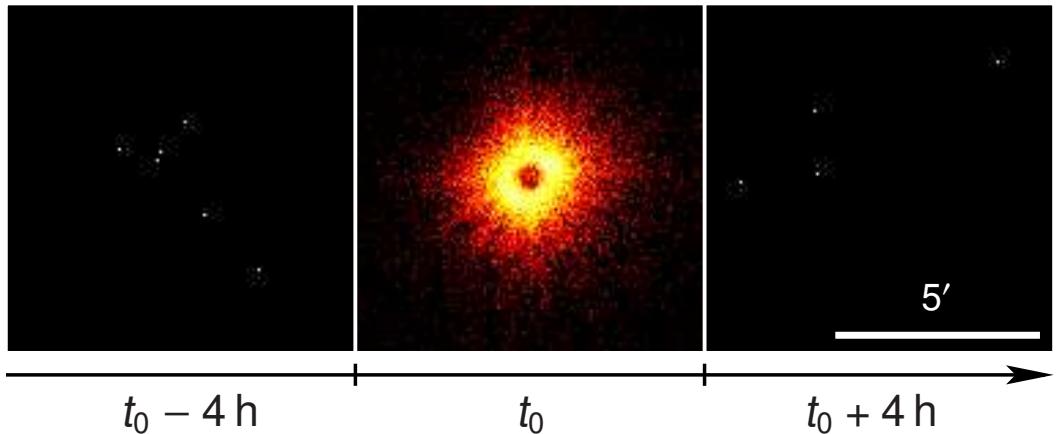
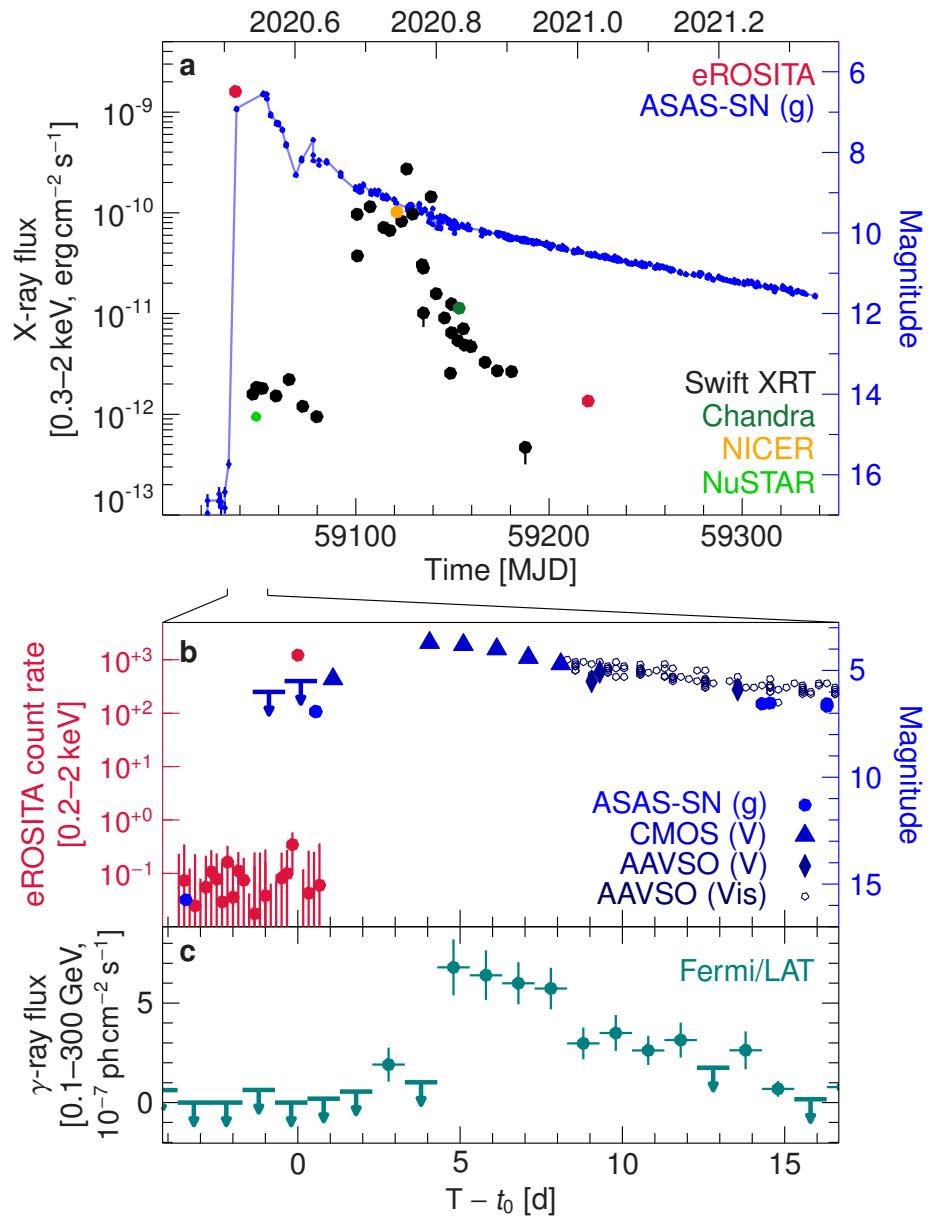
## Novae



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

# Novae

König et al. (2022, Nature)

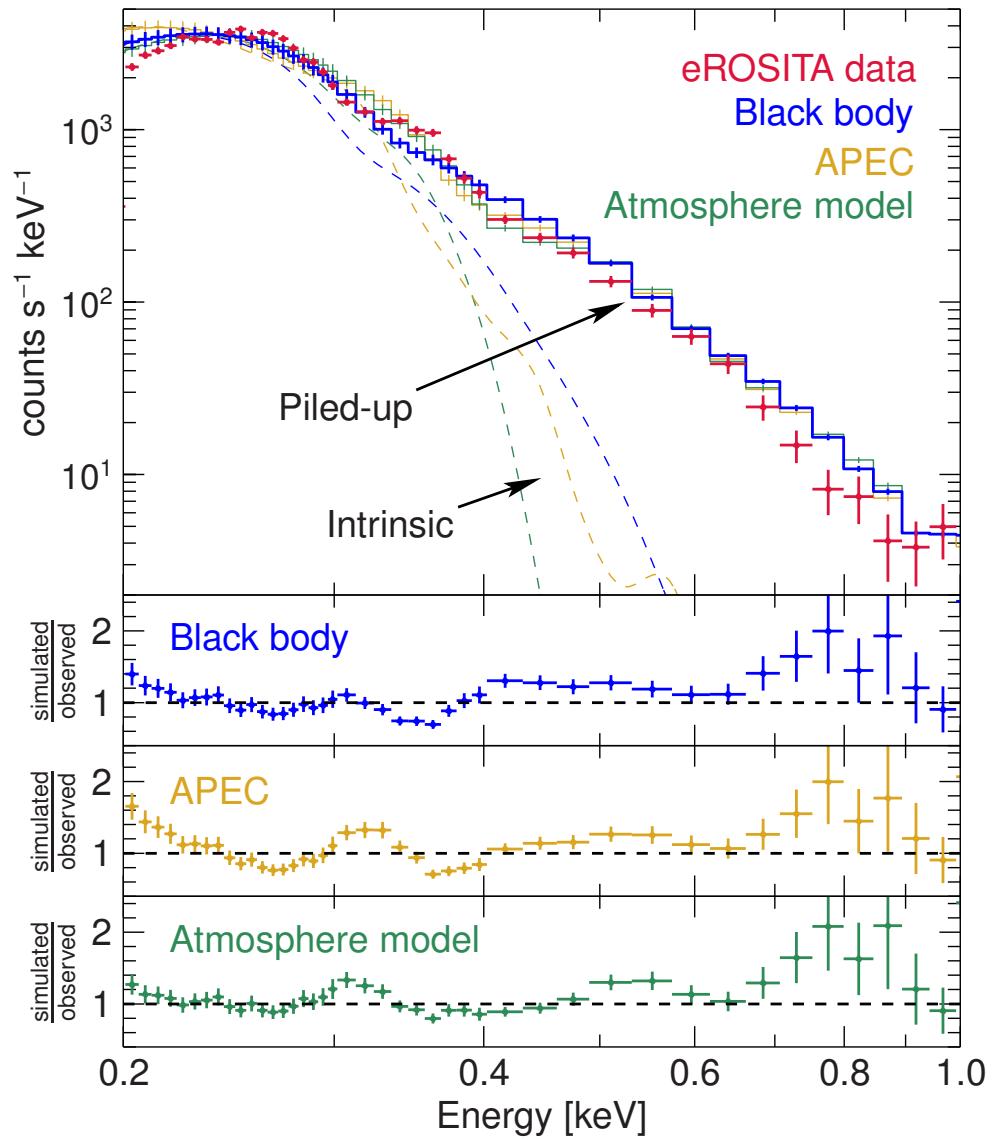


X-rays seen *before* optical brightening

First detection of X-ray flash of a nova.

30 years after prediction by Starrfield et al. (1990).

# Novae



Spectrum severely piled up

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

Modeling: minimize SIXTE-end-to-end simulations of nova models, including pileup and vignetting effects:

- **Black Body**

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

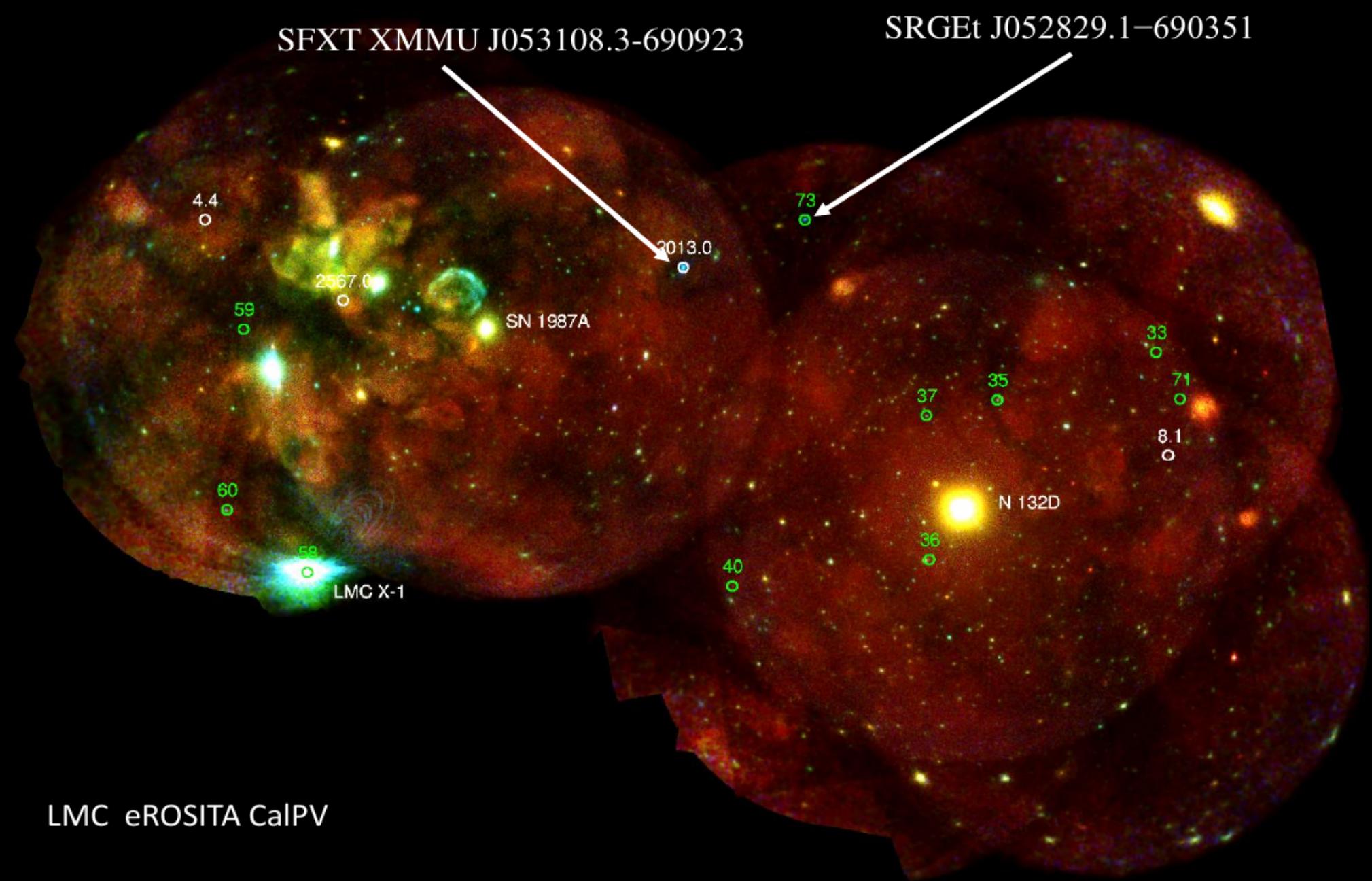
- **NS atmosphere model**

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

Atmosphere model yields

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

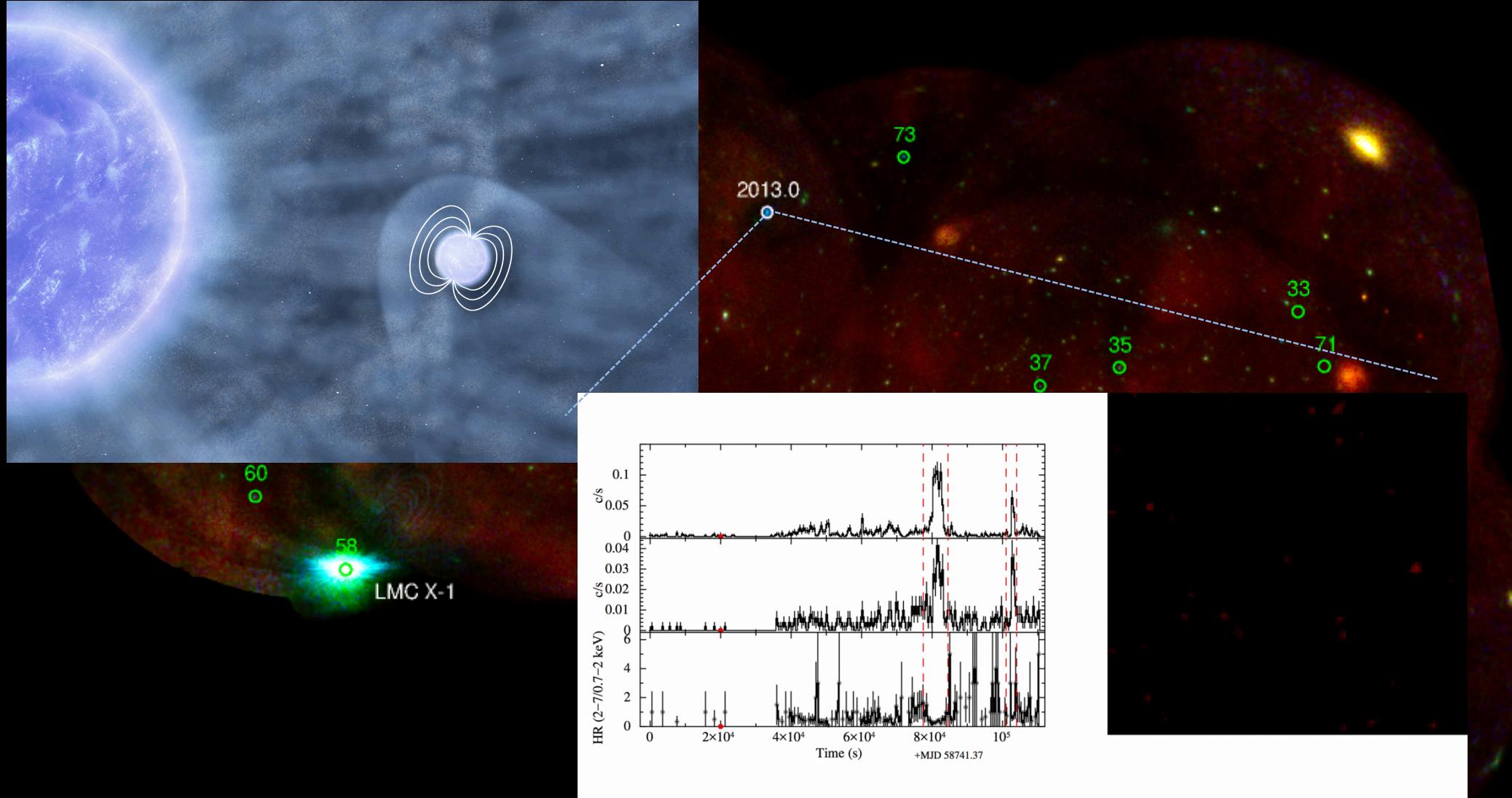
consistent with duration of X-ray flash; Hillman et al. (2014)

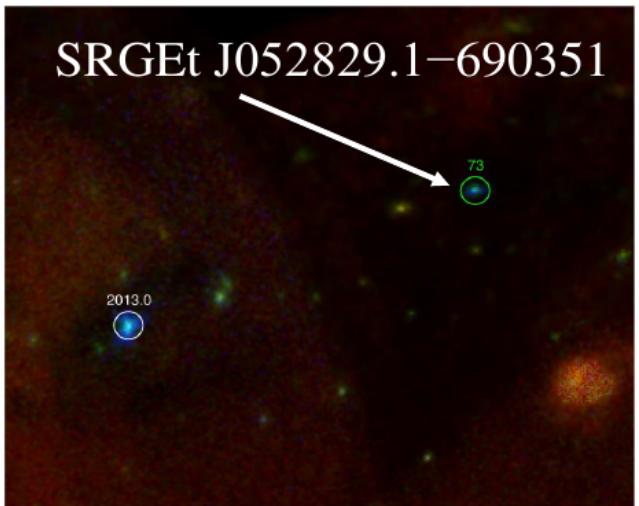


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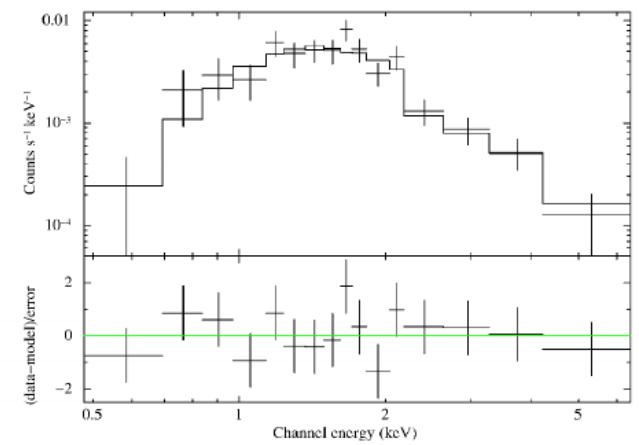


# XMMU J053108.3–690923: the first direct evidence of a supergiant fast X-ray transient outside our galaxy

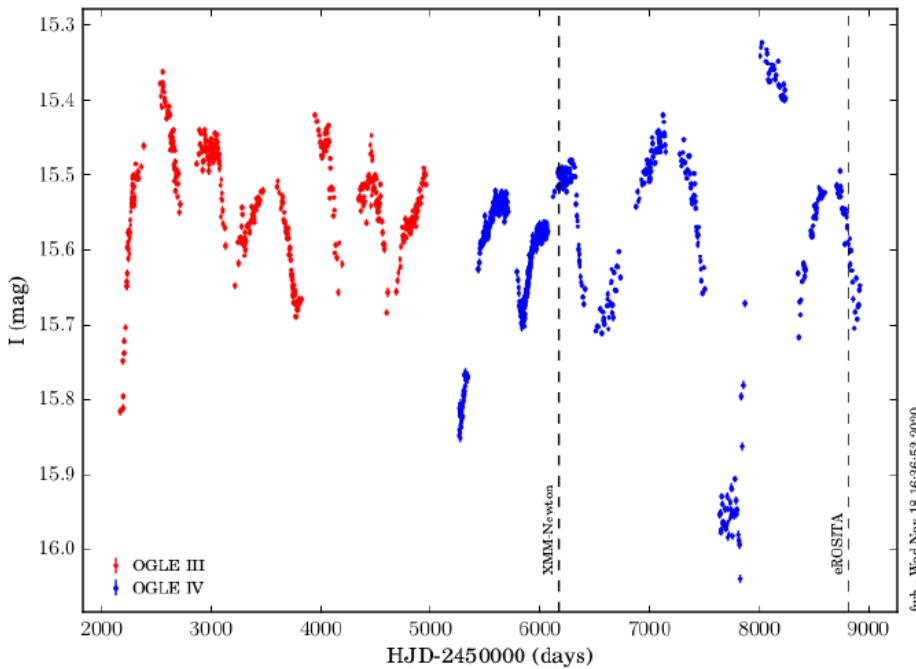




## A new BeXRB transient in the LMC



eROSITA spectrum  
Photon index = 0.68  
 $N_H = 7.3 \times 10^{21} \text{ H cm}^{-2}$   
Flux (0.2–10 keV) =  
 $4.8 \times 10^{-13} \text{ erg/cm}^2/\text{s}$   
 $L_X = 1.6 \times 10^{35} \text{ erg/s}$



OGLE light curve from Sep. 2001 to March 2020

F. Haberl

## Summary

eROSITA has already revolutionized our knowledge of the X-ray sky

- Survey is halfway there
- **Science:**
  - Galaxy Clusters
  - Evolution of Black Holes
  - Compact objects and stars in the Galaxy
  - Supernova Remnants
  - Transients