

# The extragalactic sky seen by eROSITA



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# Takeaways

- All-sky survey

in 2020 -- 0.2-5 keV

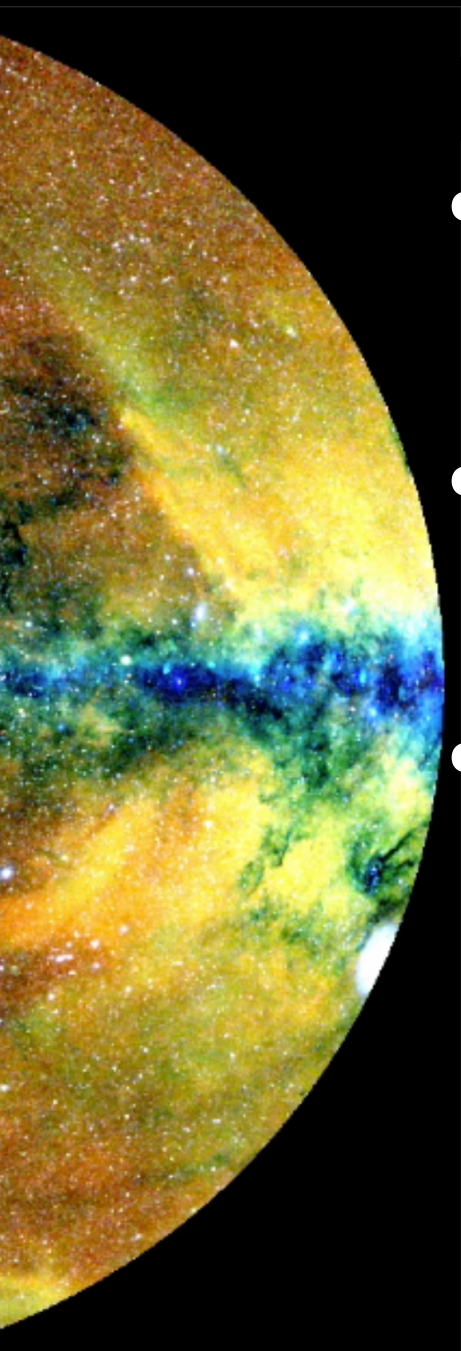
- Data Release 1:

[erosita.mpe.mpg.de/dr1/](http://erosita.mpe.mpg.de/dr1/)

- AGN science highlights

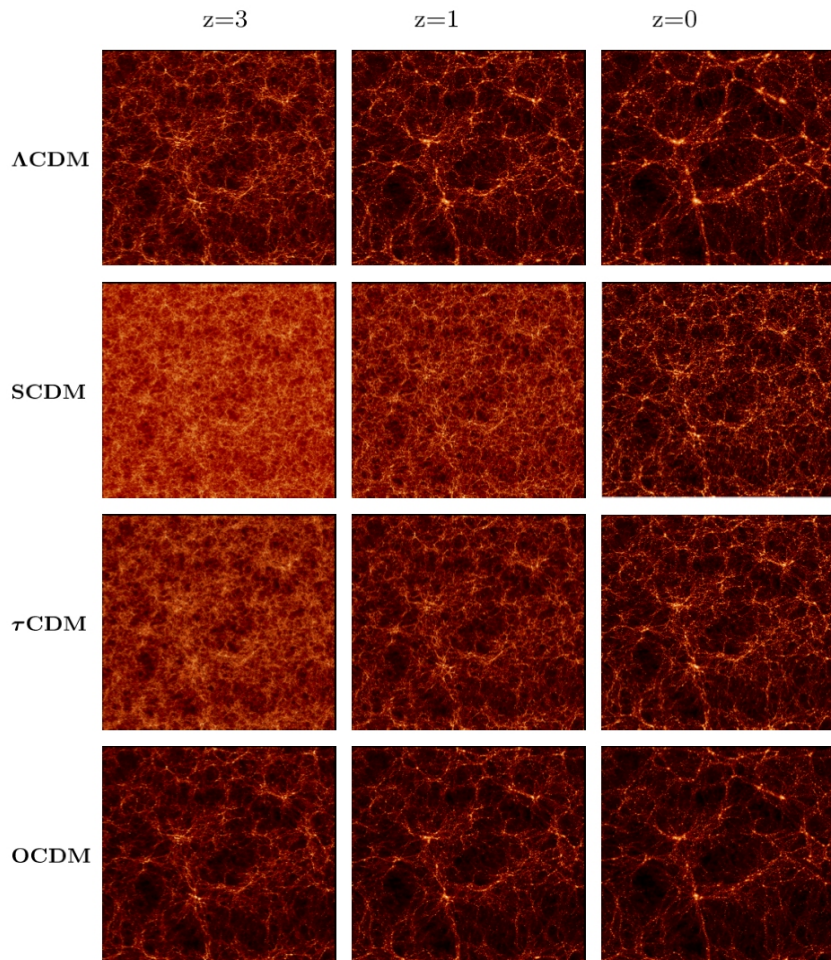
Future:

- 3.5 more surveys
  - + Multiwavelength counterparts, redshifts, data expertise
  - + Collaborate with the German eROSITA collaboration
- Tech flying on Einstein Probe/FXT

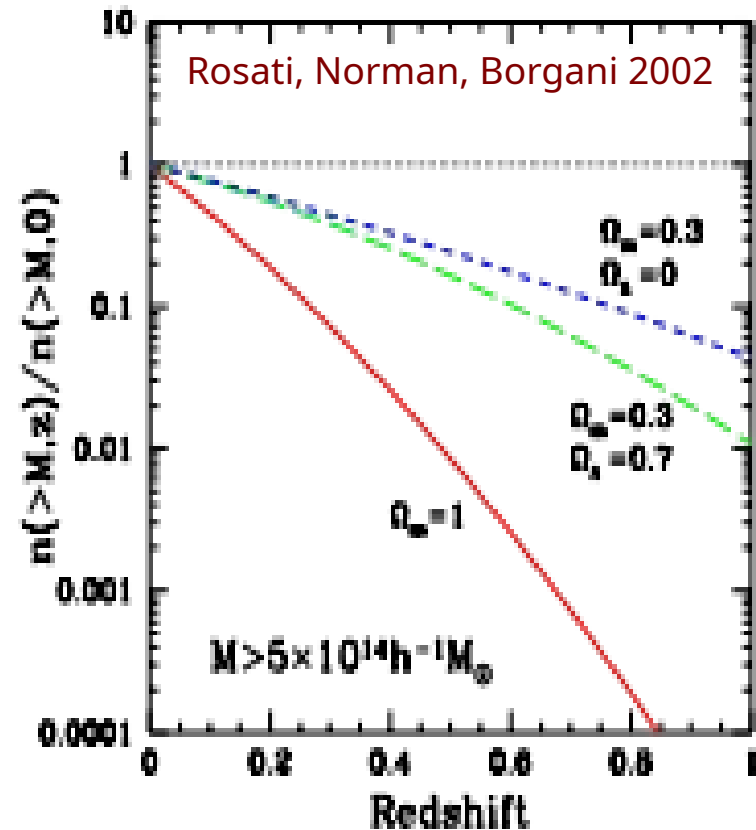


- Clusters are *exponentially sensitive* tracers of **growth of structures**
- Signature of clusters:  
hot ( $\sim 10^7$  K) extended X-ray ICM

The Virgo Collaboration; Jenkins et al. 1998

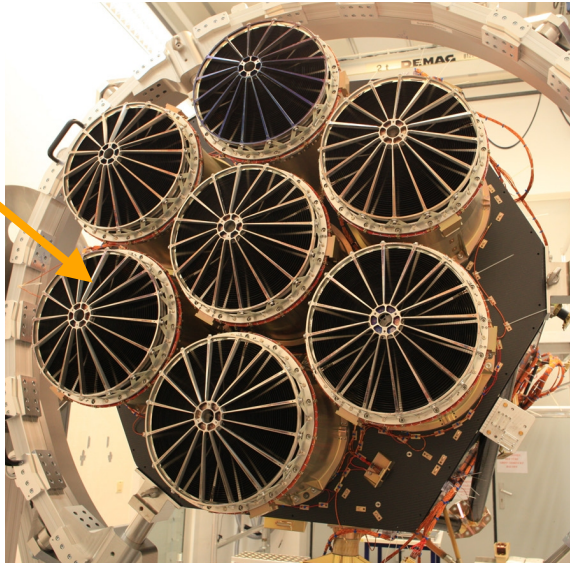


- eROSITA (PSF, sensitivity) designed to detect  $>10^5$  clusters (Pillepich+ 2018)

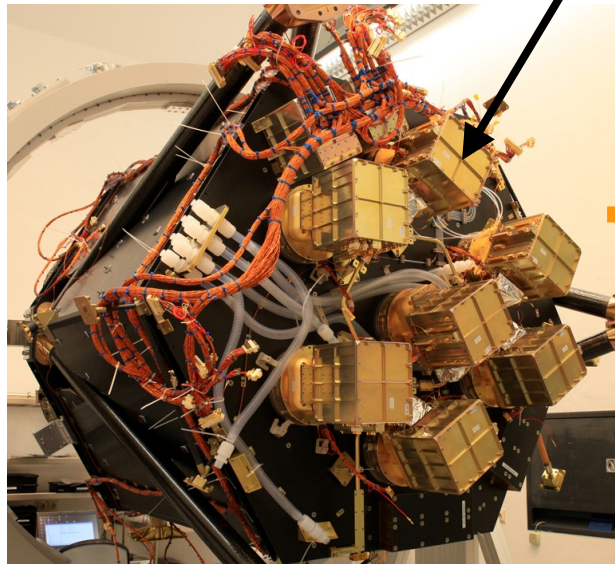


# eROSITA: hardware

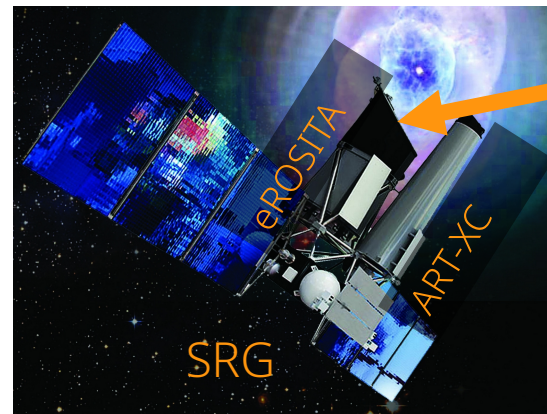
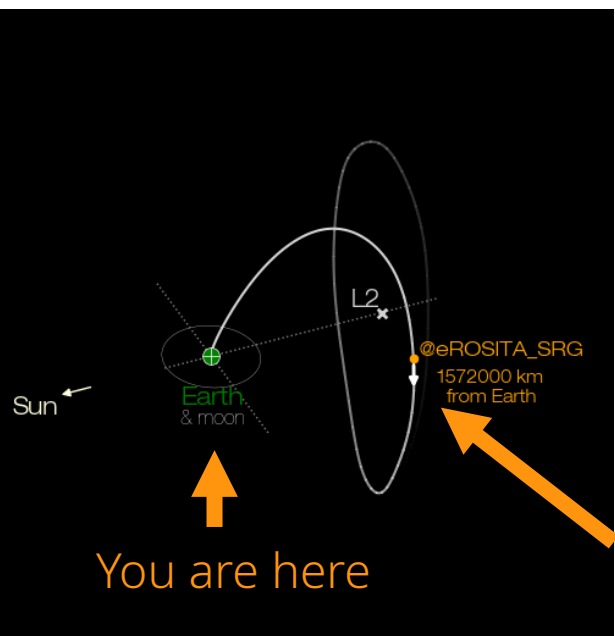
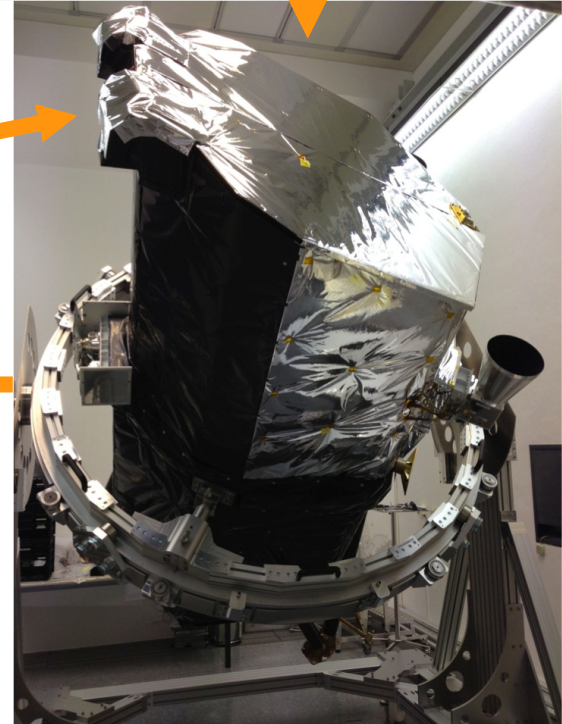
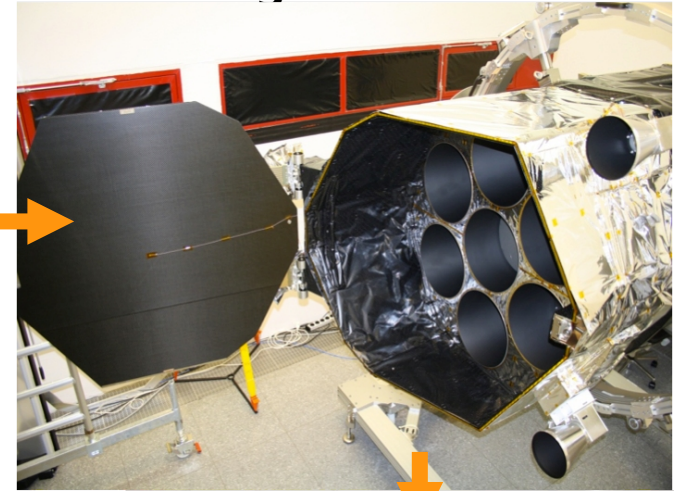
Front



Back



Packaged



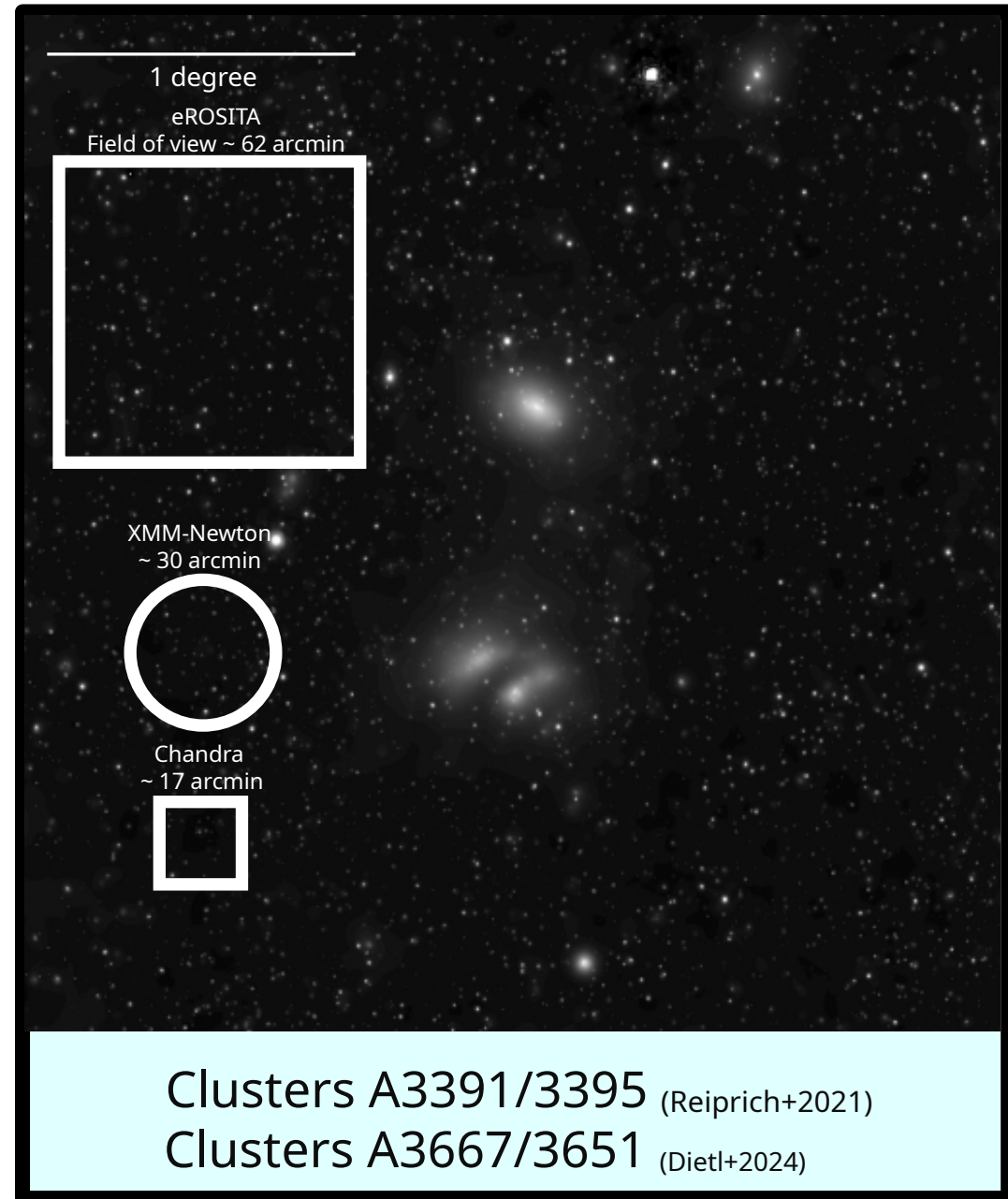
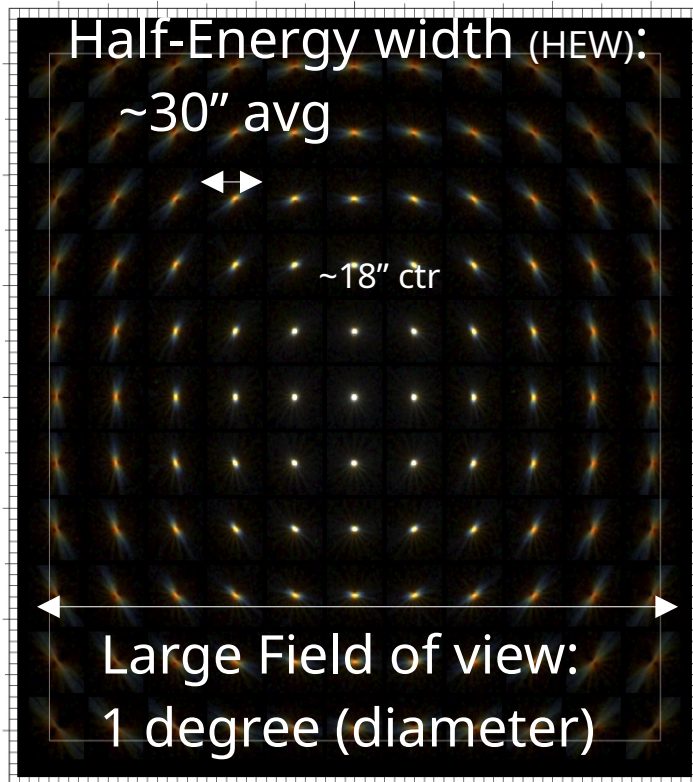
Launch to L2 (Earth-Sun)



# eROSITA on SRG Predehl et al. 2021



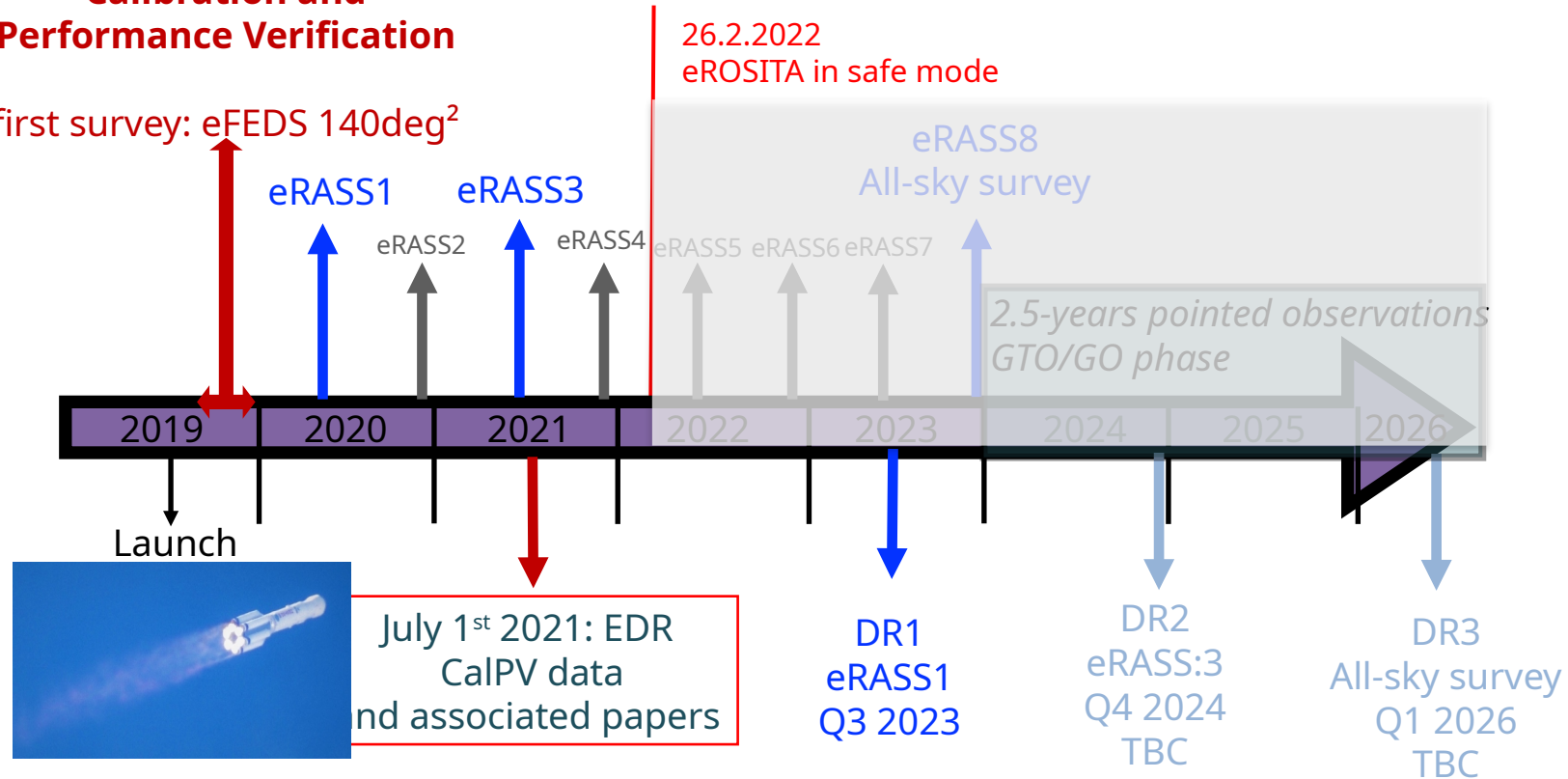
- Large Effective area  
~**1300 cm<sup>2</sup> @1keV**, ~XMM-Newton
- Large field of view
- pnCCD 384x384x7=million pixels (9.4")
  - **High spectral resolution**  
~80eV @1.5keV
  - no chip gaps, no 'out of time' events (framestore)



eRASS = eROSITA All-Sky Survey

**CalPV:  
Calibration and  
Performance Verification**

first survey: eFEDS 140deg<sup>2</sup>



- Early Data Release (EDR) in 2021: several fields, including eFEDS mini-survey
- DR1 on 31.1.2024
- DR2 (eRASS:4.x) TBD (about two years from now)

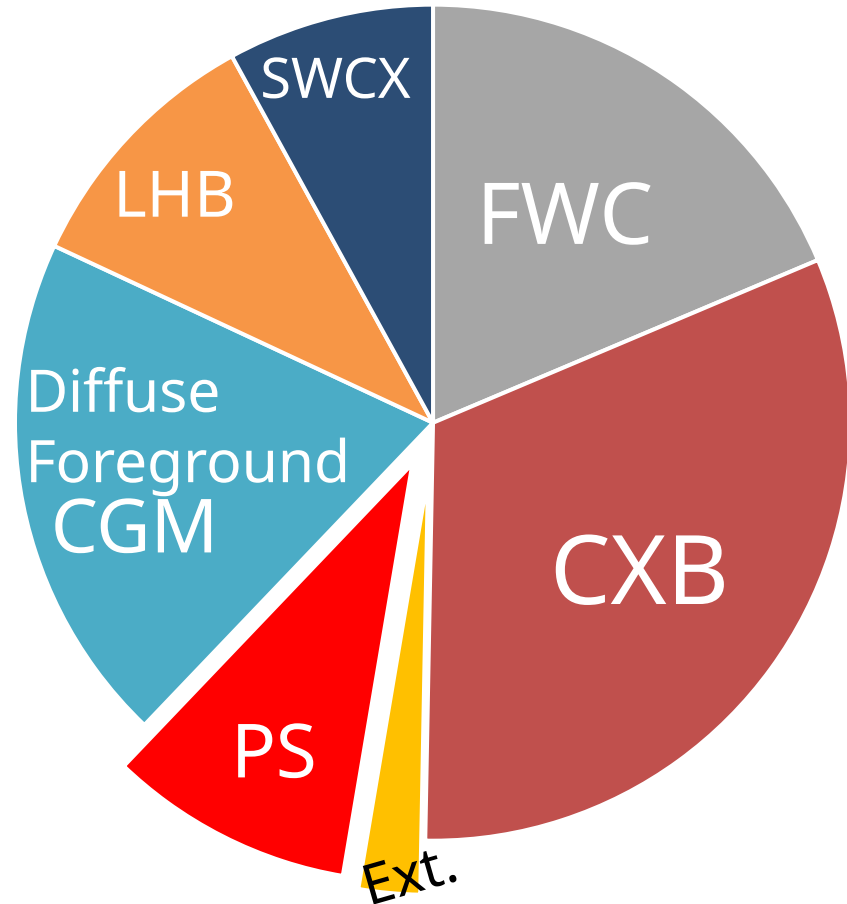


# The eRASS1 (soft) Photon Pie



- 107 Million CXB photons
- 67 Million MW Hot CGM photons (58M halo + 9M 'Corona'; Ponti+'23)
- 63 Million Instrumental BKG photons (FWC)
- 34 Million Local Hot Bubble photons
- 27 Million Solar Wind Charge Exchange photons
- 8 Million Extended Sources' photons
- 32 Million Point Sources' photons
  - 24 Million AGN photons; 8 Million Stars photons

340 Million calibrated events



0.9 million point sources

Sensitivity:

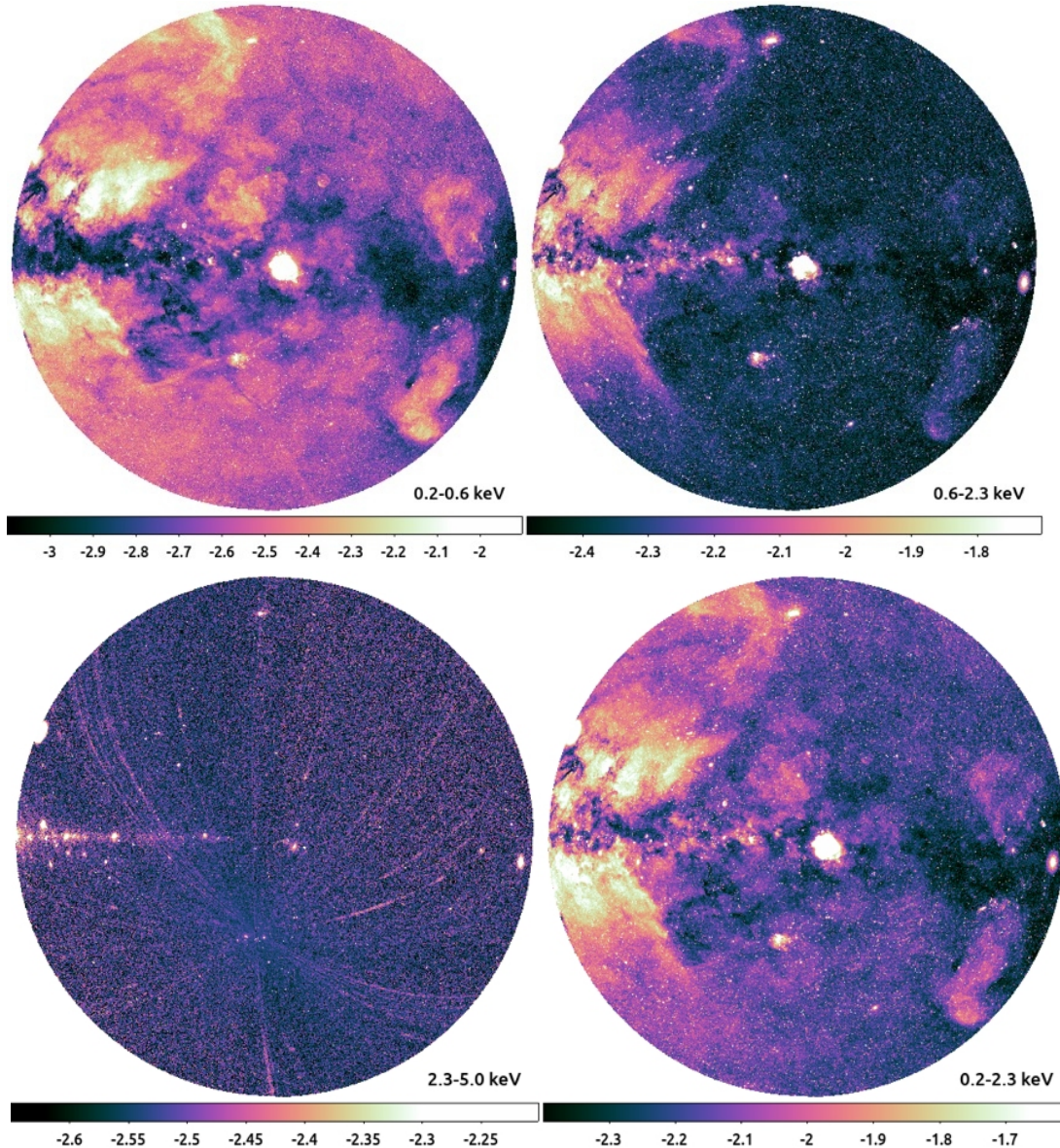
- $\sim 5 \times 10^{-14}$  erg/s/cm<sup>2</sup> [0.2-2.3 keV]; **4-5x deeper than RASS**
- $\sim 7 \times 10^{-13}$  erg/s/cm<sup>2</sup> [2.3-5 keV]

**doubles the number of known X-ray sources!**

# eROSITA-DE Data Release 1 products

[erosita.mpe.mpg.de/dr1/](https://erosita.mpe.mpg.de/dr1/)

- Software
- Calibration DB
- Attitude files
- Exposure maps
- Events
- Count rate maps
- Source catalogues
- X-ray Spectra
- Light-curves



## Upper limit for a single position

Find an upper limit on the sky for a single sky position. Please either enter a position directly (in decimal degrees or sexagesimal), or give an object name and click resolve, to find the position using the Sesame name resolver.

Please see [this page](#) and [Tubín-Arenas et al. \(2024\)](#) for further details. Both [Tubín-Arenas et al. \(2024\)](#) and [Merloni et al. \(2024\)](#) should be referenced if these upper limits are used.

Object name:

Longitude:  Latitude:

Coordinate System:

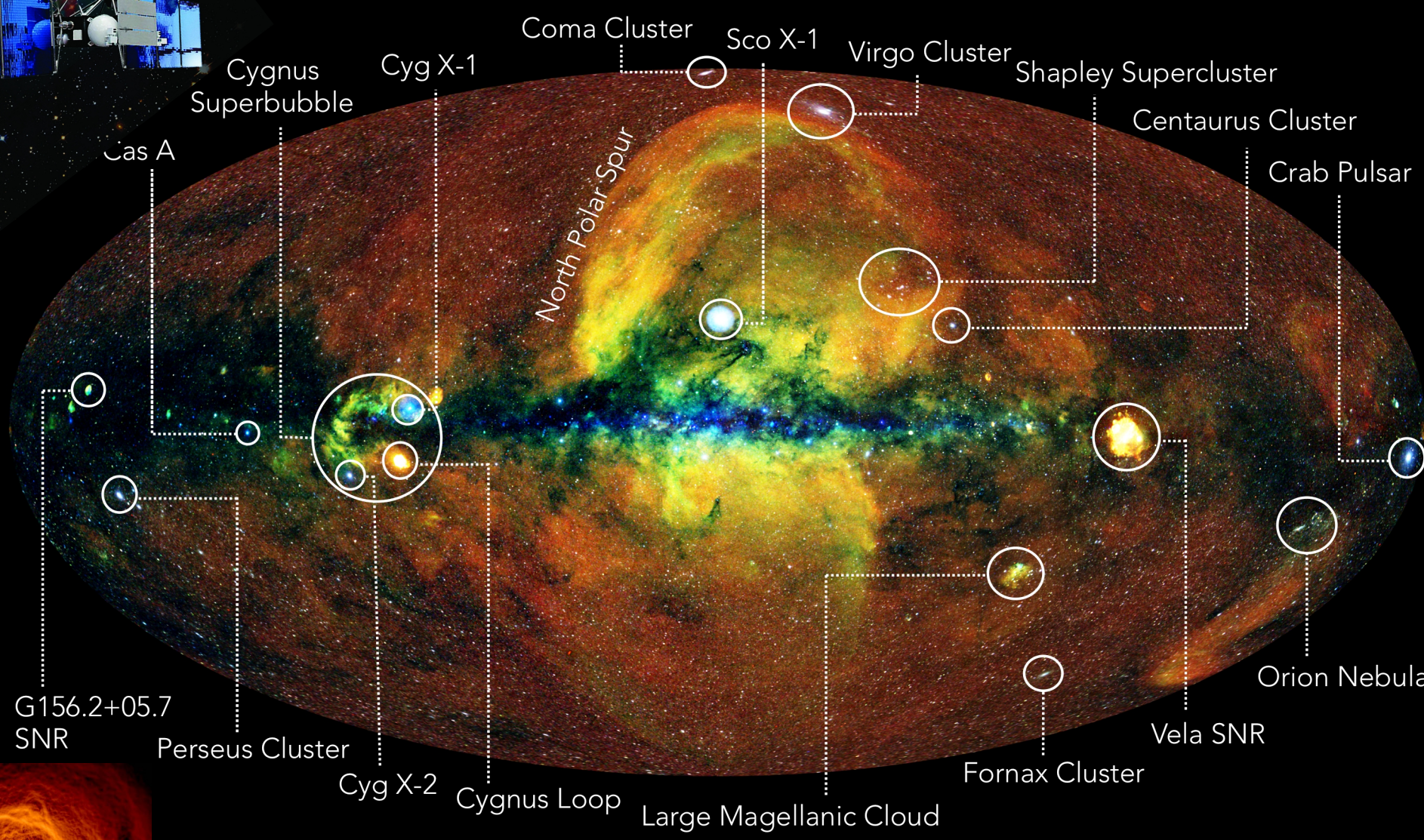
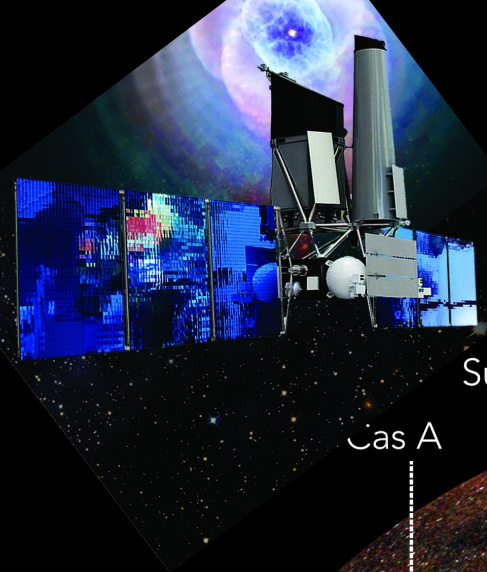
Band:

Query catalog by position & Upper limit server in 0.2/0.6/2.3/5.0 keV

Tubín-Arenas et al. (2024)



# Navigating the eROSITA X-ray sky



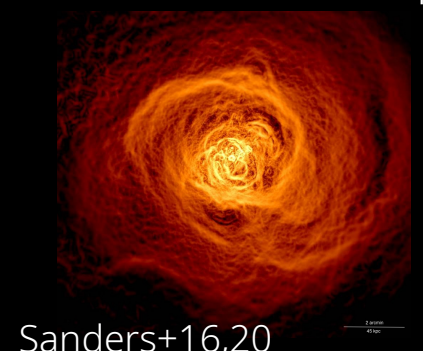
Cygnus Superbubble  
Cas A  
G156.2+05.7 SNR  
Perseus Cluster  
Cyg X-1  
Cyg X-2  
Cygnus Loop  
Coma Cluster  
North Polar Spur  
Sco X-1  
Virgo Cluster  
Shapley Supercluster  
Centaurus Cluster  
Crab Pulsar  
Orion Nebula  
Vela SNR  
Fornax Cluster  
Large Magellanic Cloud

SRG/eROSITA 0.3-2.3 keV - RGB Map



**eROSITA-DE**  
|gal\_long| > 180

MPE

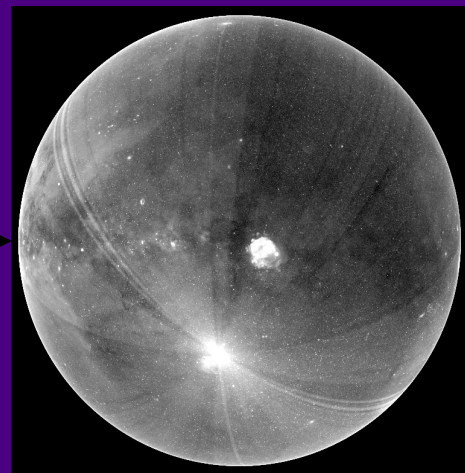
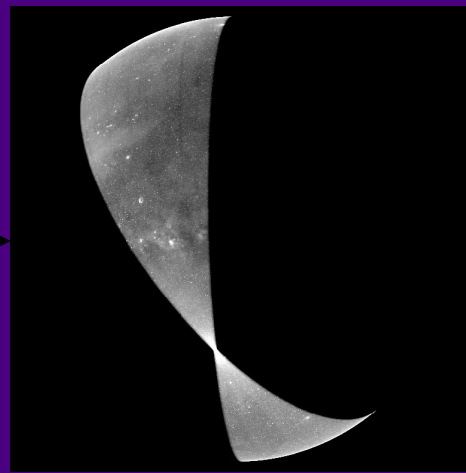
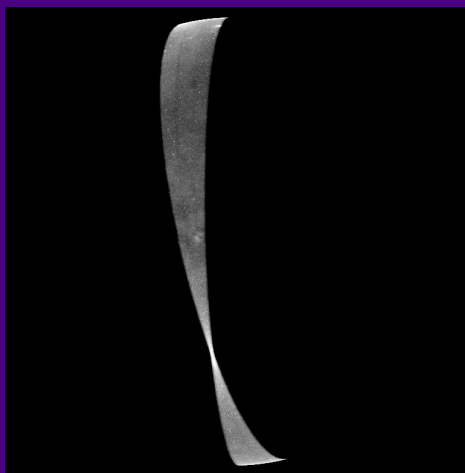
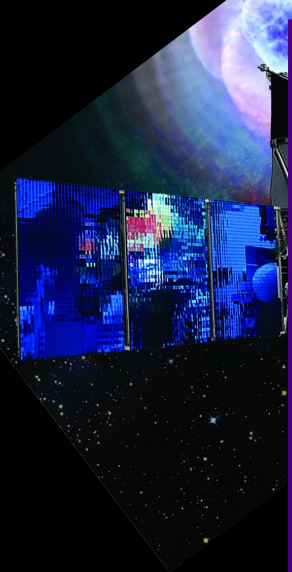


Sanders+16.20

# <Video>

See it here:

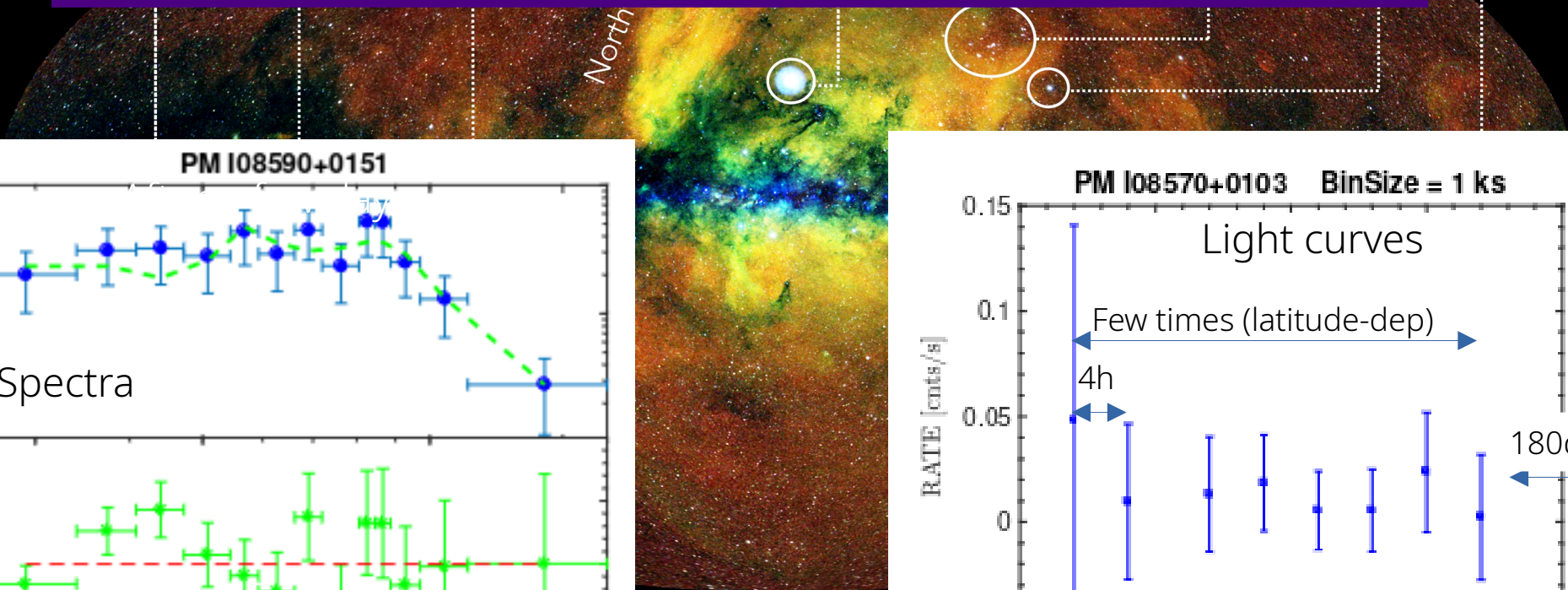
- <https://phys.org/news/2024-01-erossita-sky-survey-largest-high.html>
- <https://www.mpe.mpg.de/7461950/erass1-presskit>



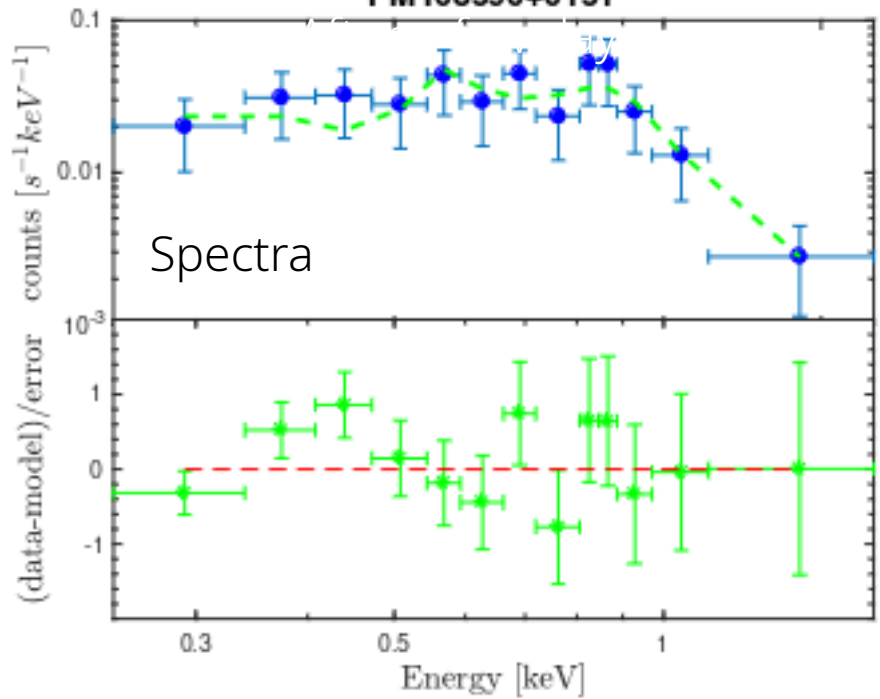
After a few weeks

After 6 months

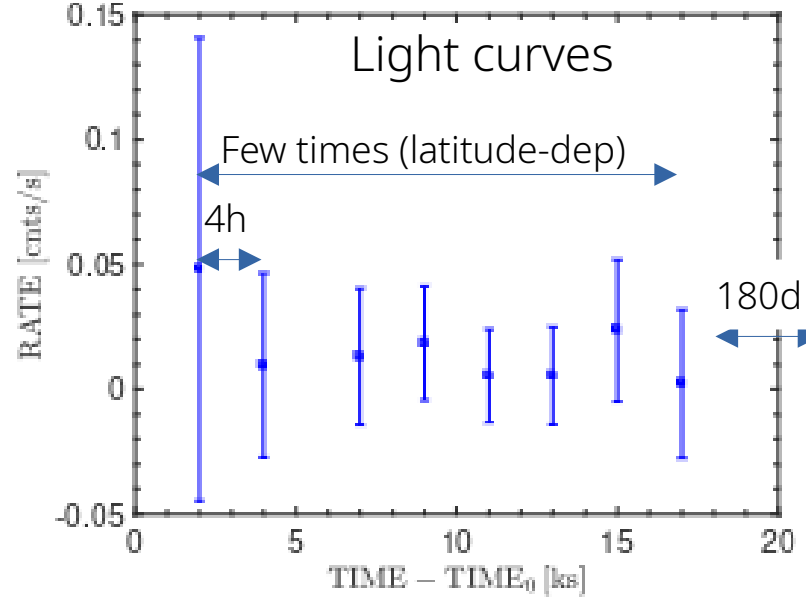
Cluster  
Crab Pulsar



PM I08590+0151

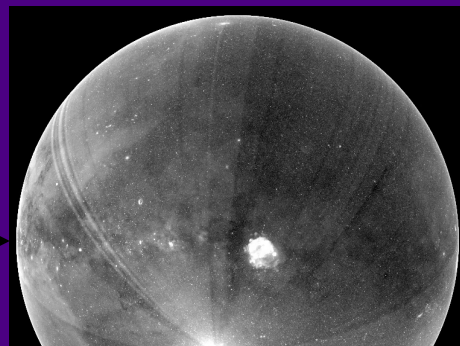
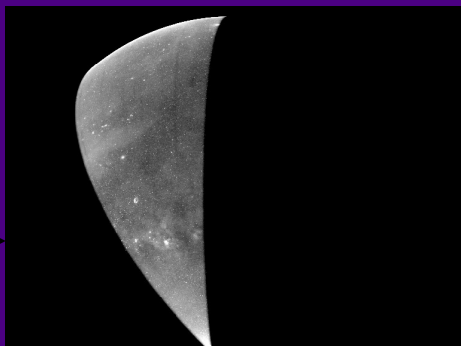
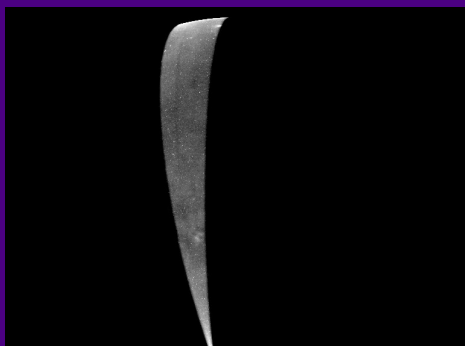
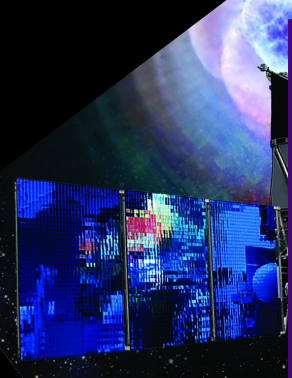


PM I08570+0103 BinSize = 1 ks



TA 0.3-2.3 keV - RGB Map

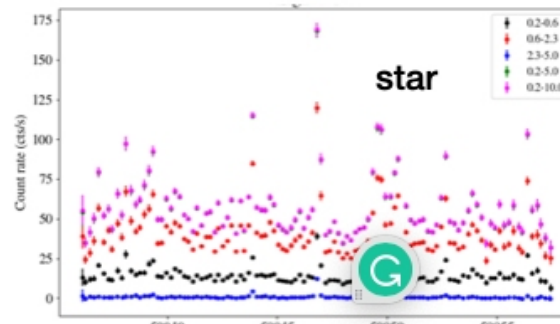
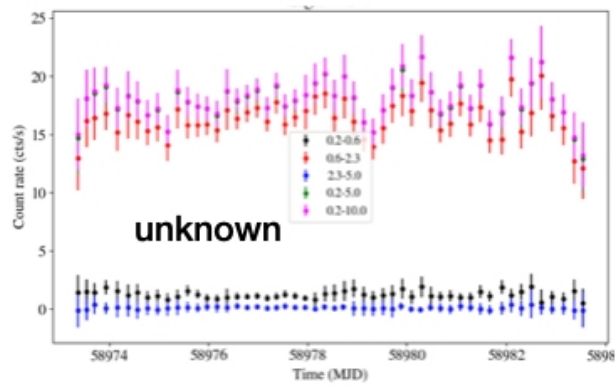
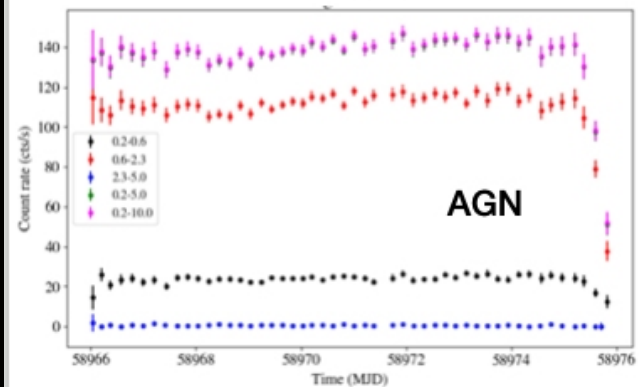
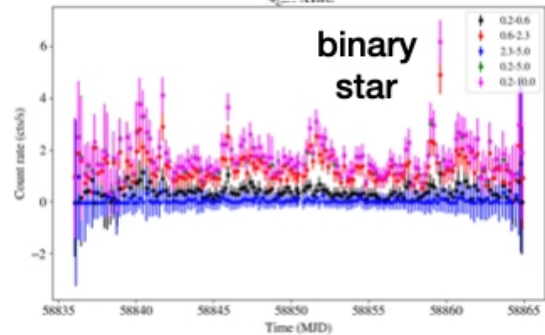
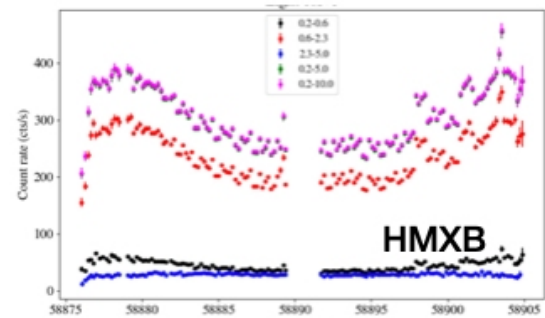
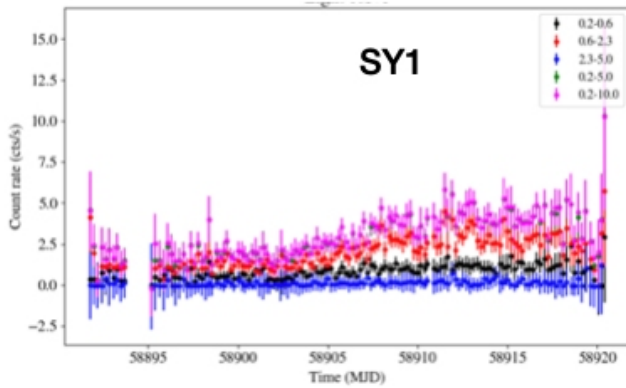
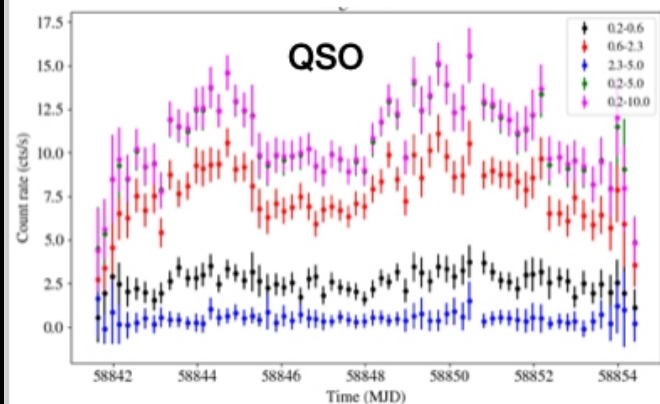
MPE



# Varying AGN (and not only) in the SEP (Bogensberger+2022a, 2022b tbs)

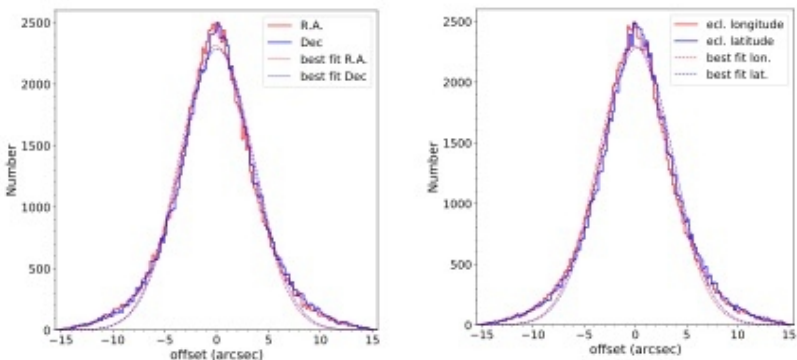


David Bogensberger





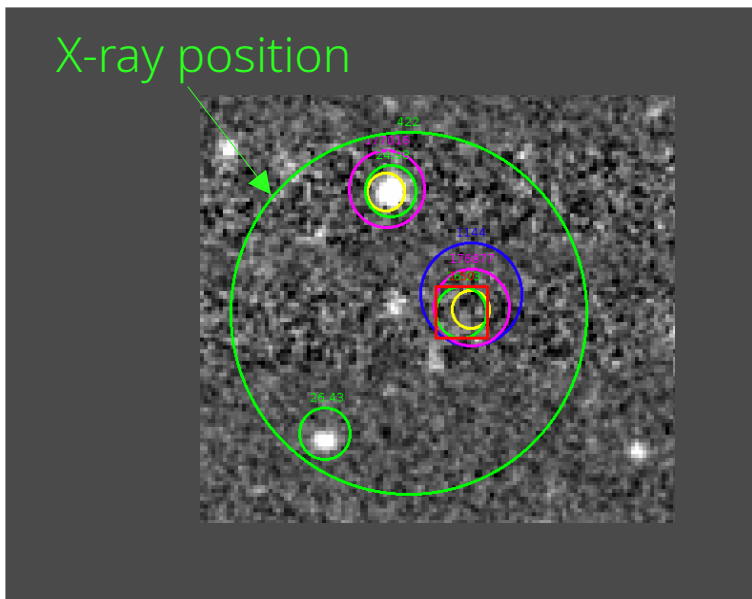
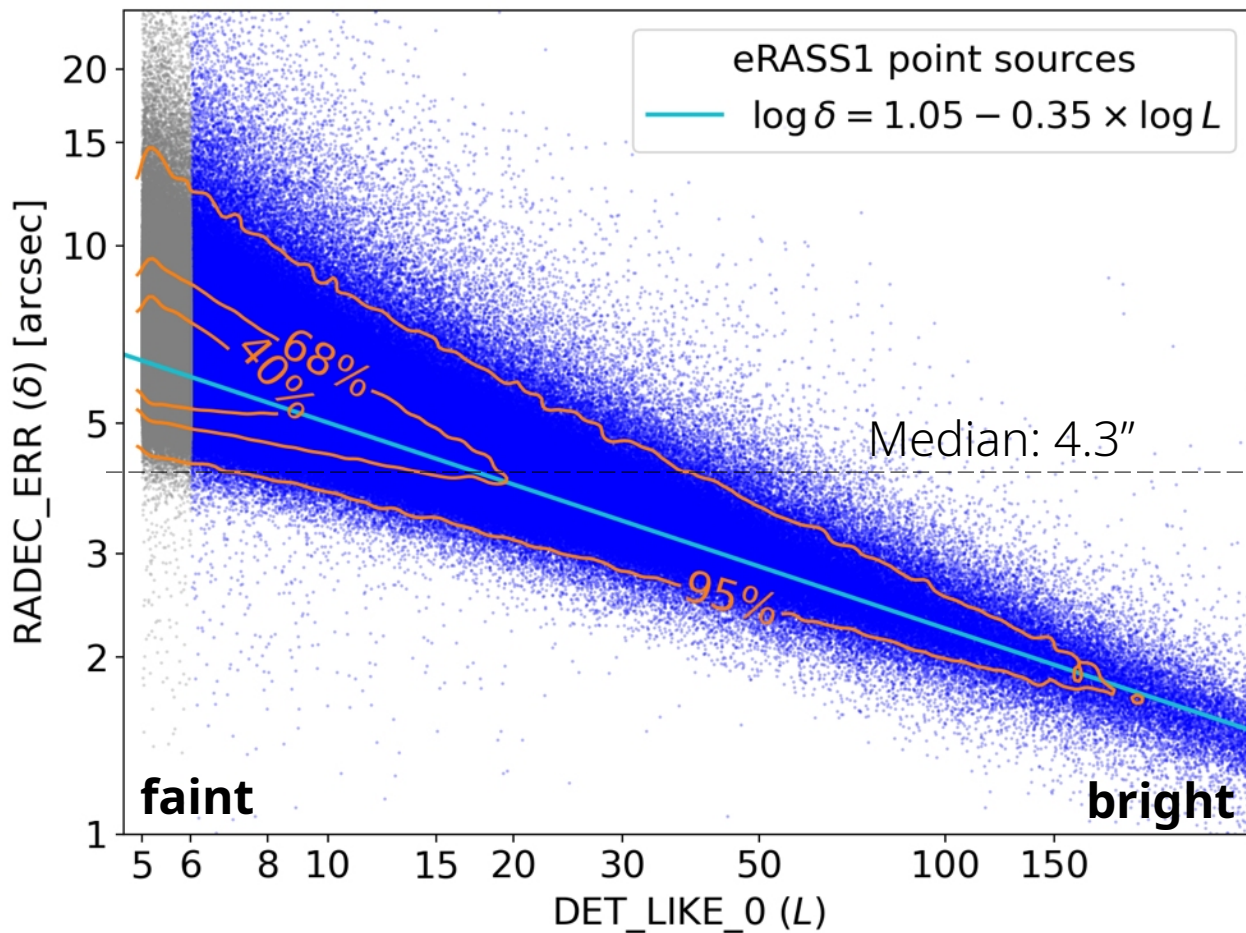
# Astrometry: Median positional error = 4.3"



$\Delta$ RA  
 $\Delta$ DEC  
 Merloni et al. (2024)

$\Delta$ lat  
 $\Delta$ long

## Point sources astrometric accuracy



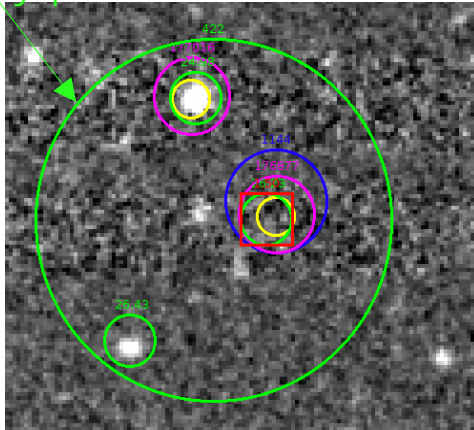
NWAY: probabilistic cross-matching to optical-MIR surveys

Salvato et al 2021: >95%+ purity and completeness

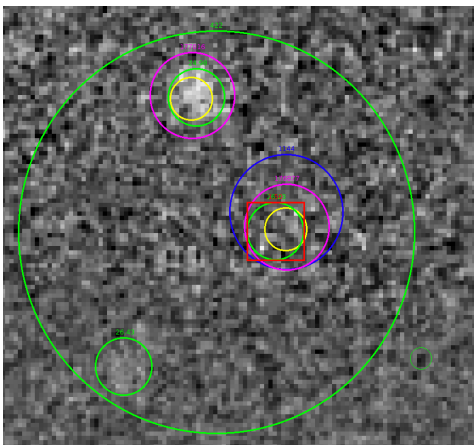
Catalog in prep.

# NWAY – Bayesian association

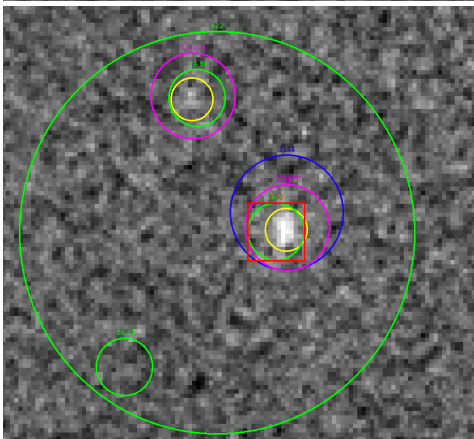
X-ray position



**B**



**Z**



**K**

- Automated association of N catalogs simultaneously

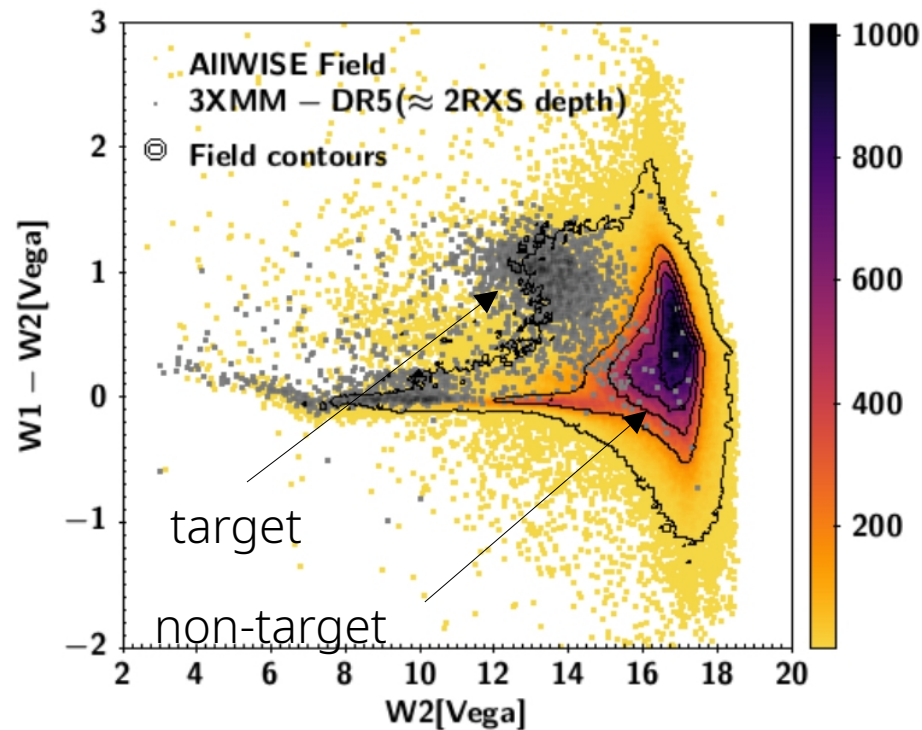
Salvato, Buchner+18

<https://github.com/JohannesBuchner/nway>

- Use color information to weigh alternatives in a consistent Bayesian framework

→ higher completeness and purity

→ becoming popular across fields (135 citations)



Automatically learn separations

Transfer learning from previous surveys

ML priors: Random forests learn photometry of X-ray sources → judge probability of NWAY options (Julien Wolf)

# The hard X-ray sample

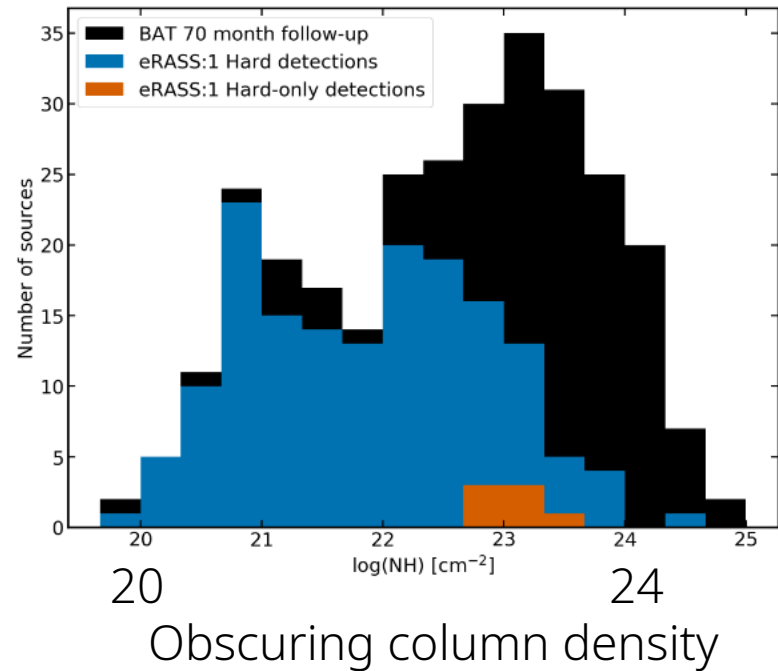
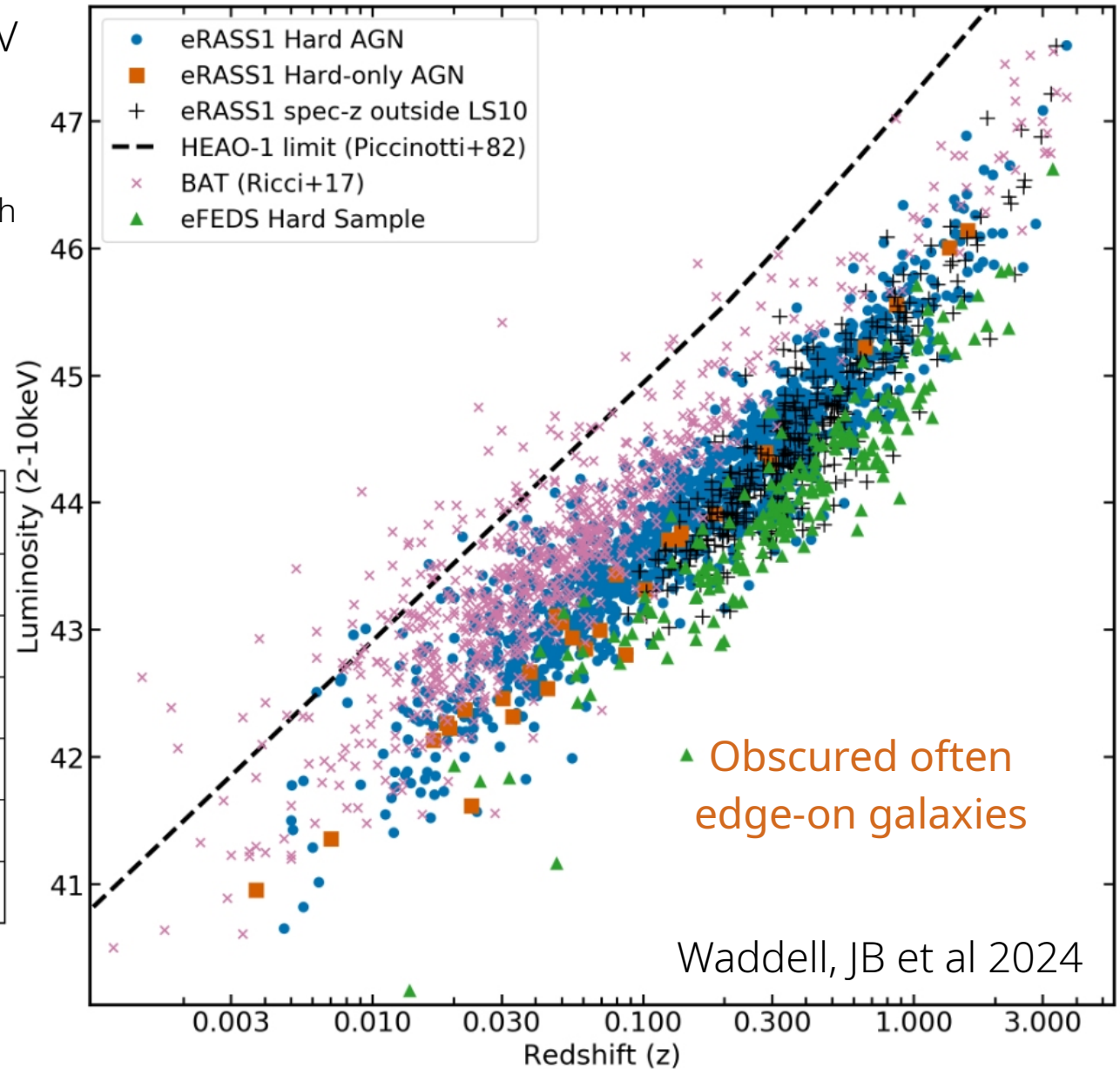
Deepest imaging survey 2.3 - 5 keV

4895 clean point sources

319 beamed AGN → Steven Hämmerich

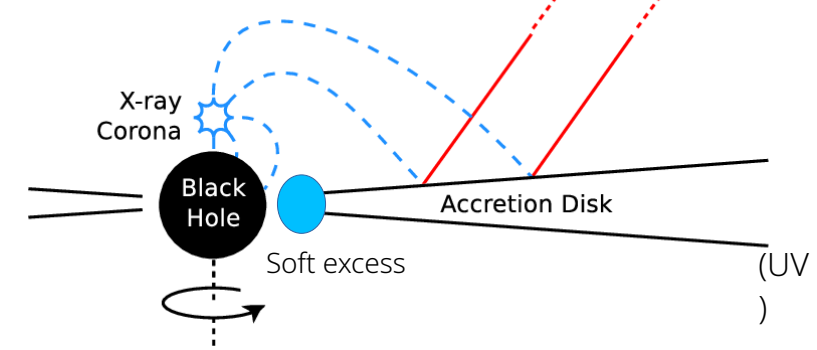
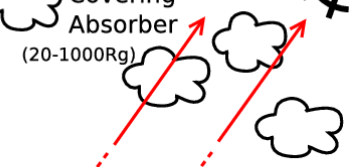
325 stars

1328 non-beamed AGN with redshifts

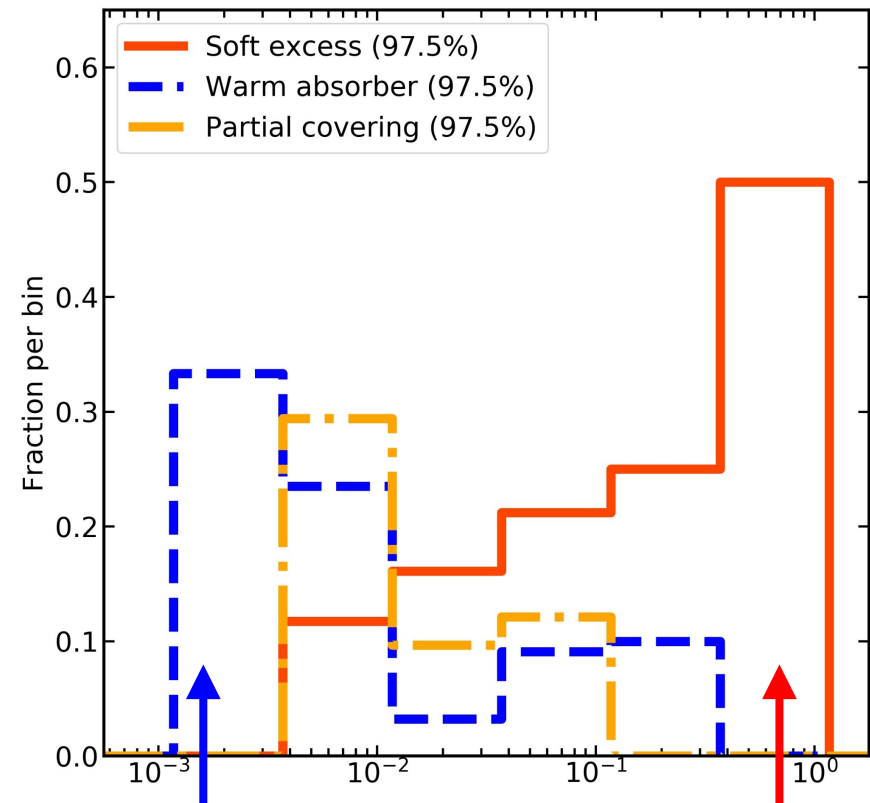
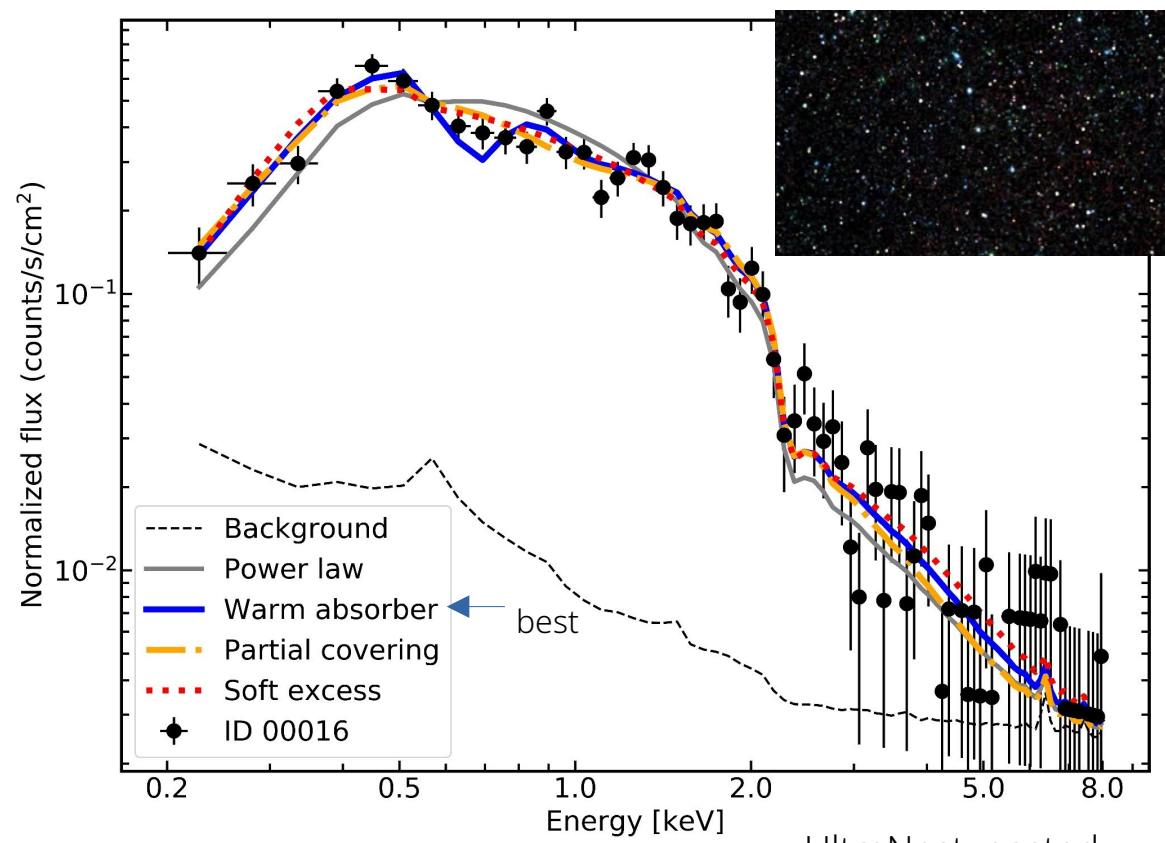


# AGN processes

Compton-upscattering  
hot plasma → X-ray powerlaw



soft excess, ionised or partial absorbers?  
(Sophia Waddell, K Nandra, JB)



X-ray spectroscopy with modern statistical tools can reliably distinguish between physical scenarios

UltraNest, nested sampling research

Sophia Waddell et al., accepted

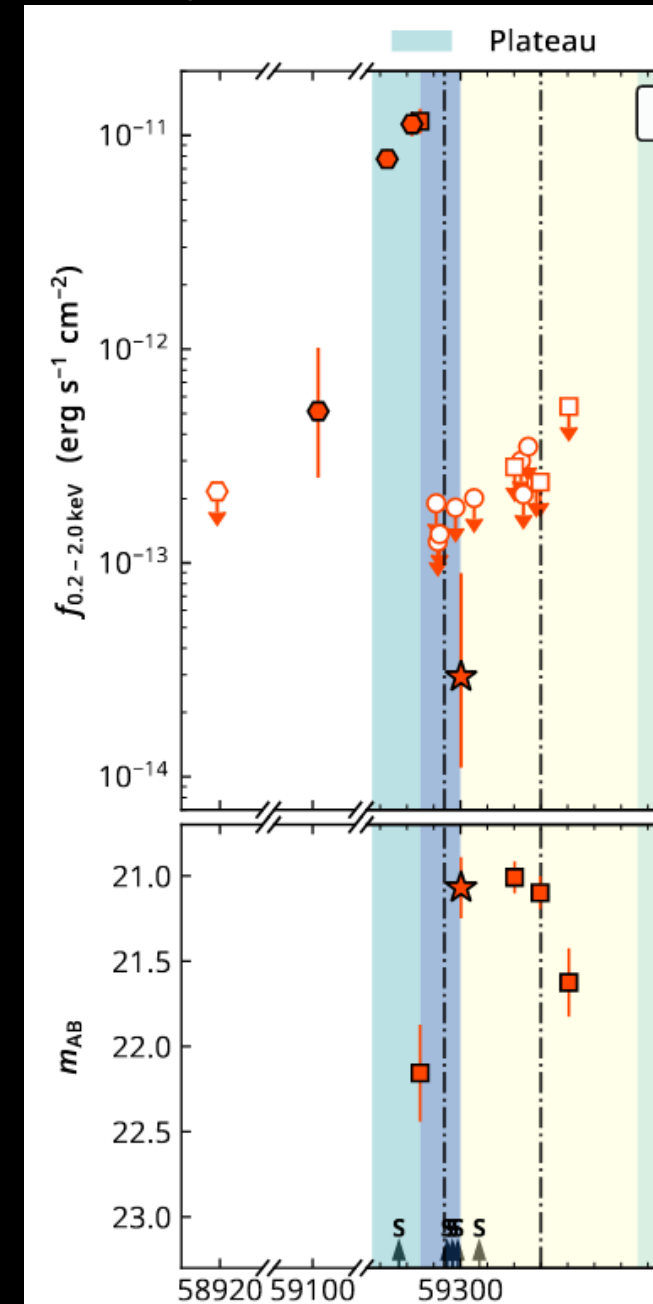
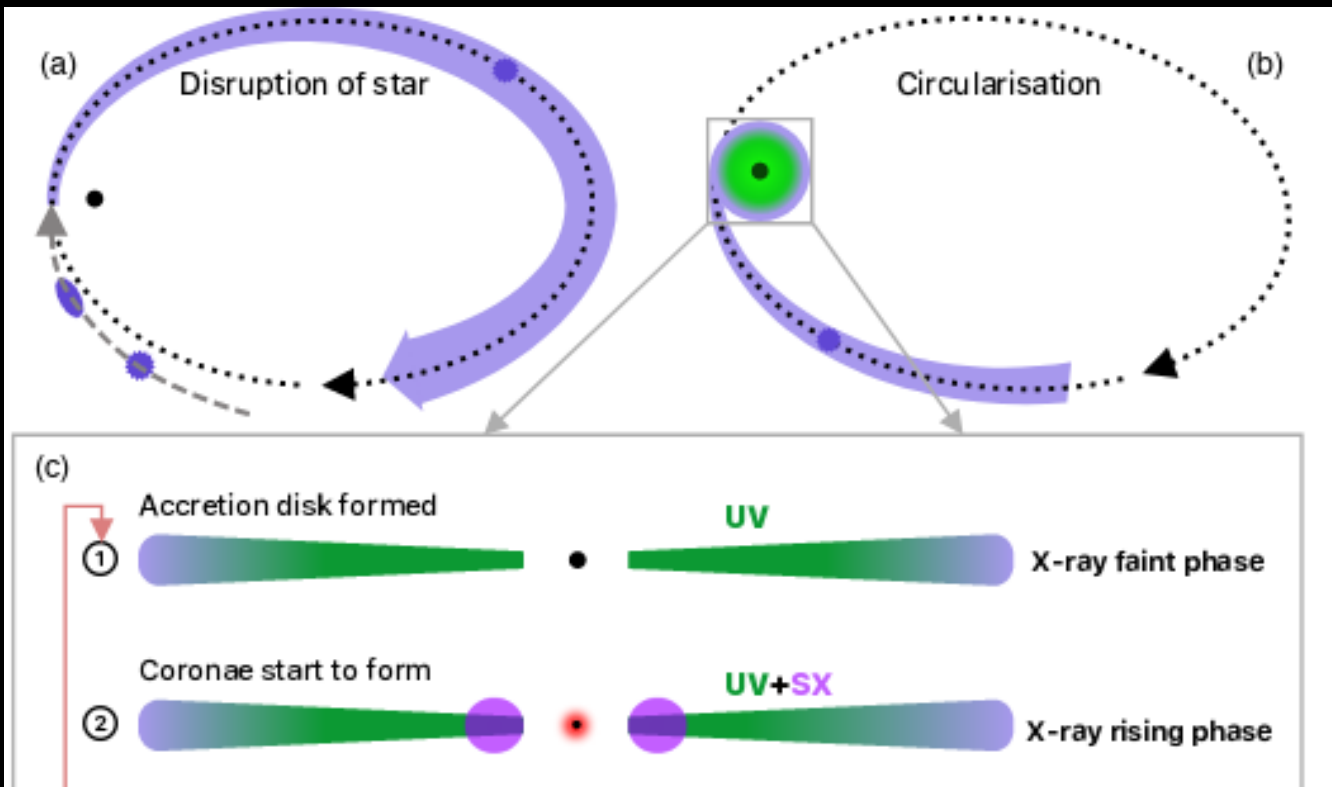
Warm absorbers common

Soft excess common



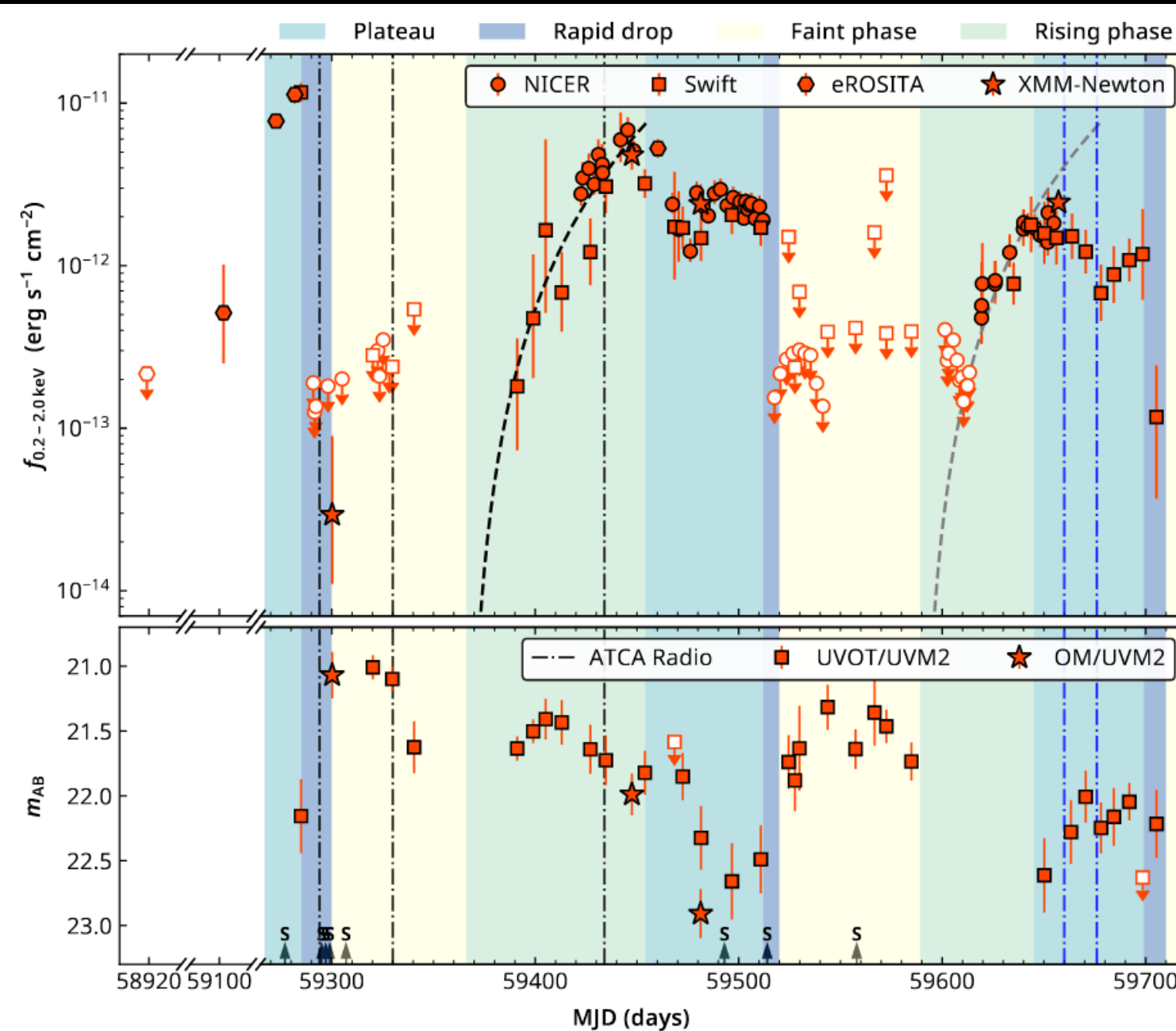
# Tidal Disruption Events

Arne Rau, Zhu Liu, Adam Malyali, Iuliia Grotova, ...

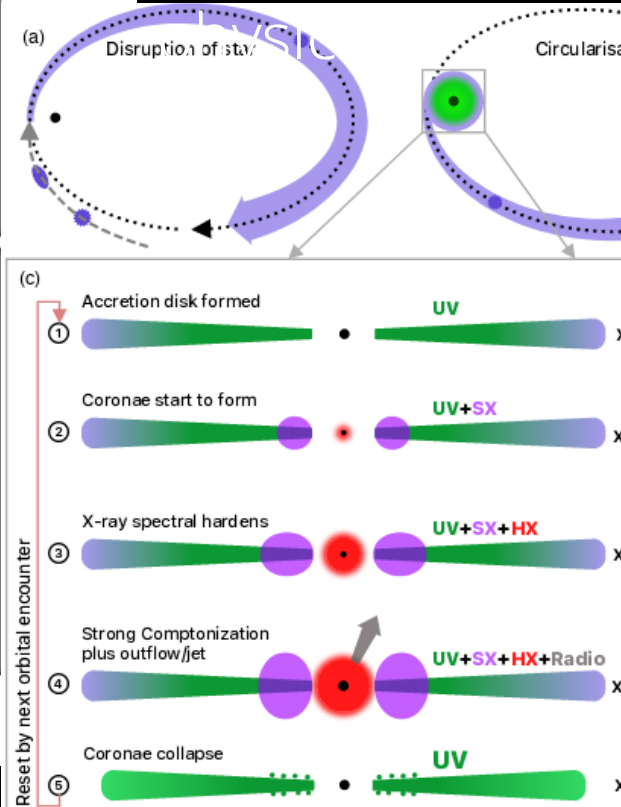


# Tidal Disruption Events

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First repeating  
TDE in X-rays  
Laboratory for  
accretion disk



(+QPE sources, TDE+QPE sources, ...

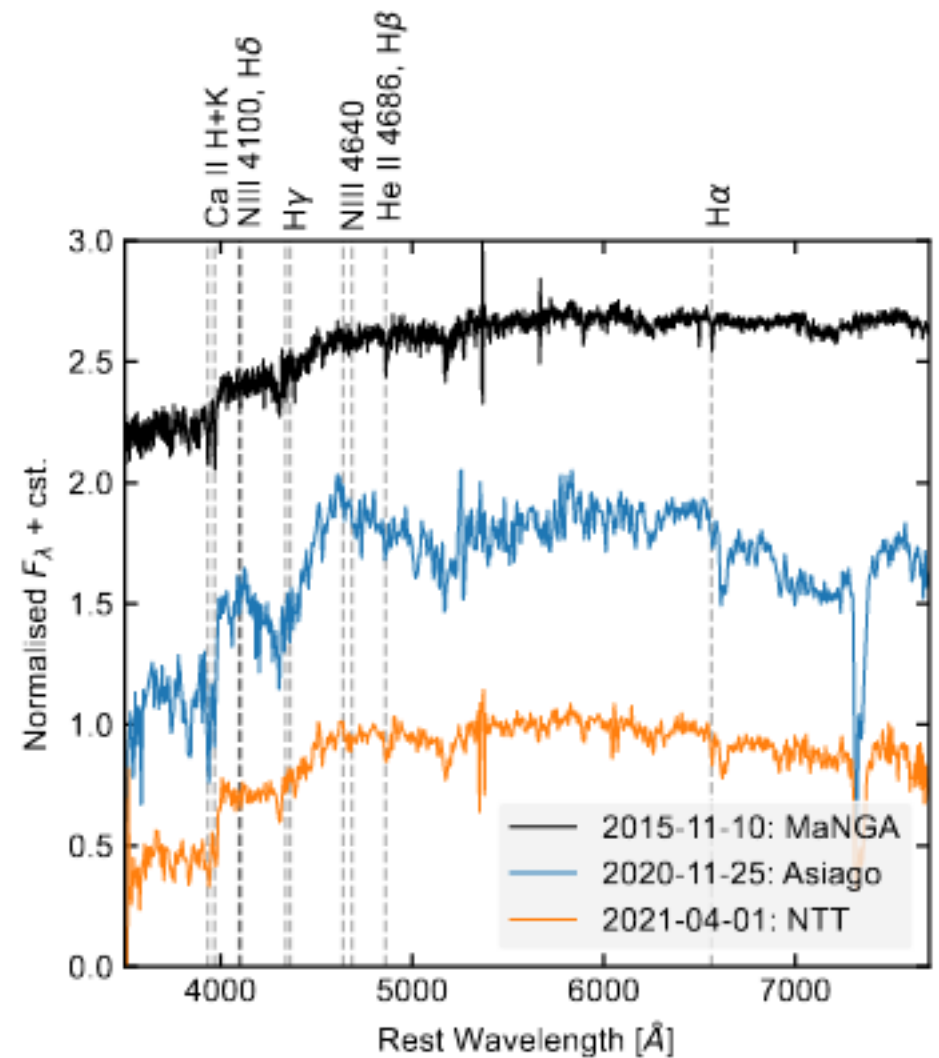
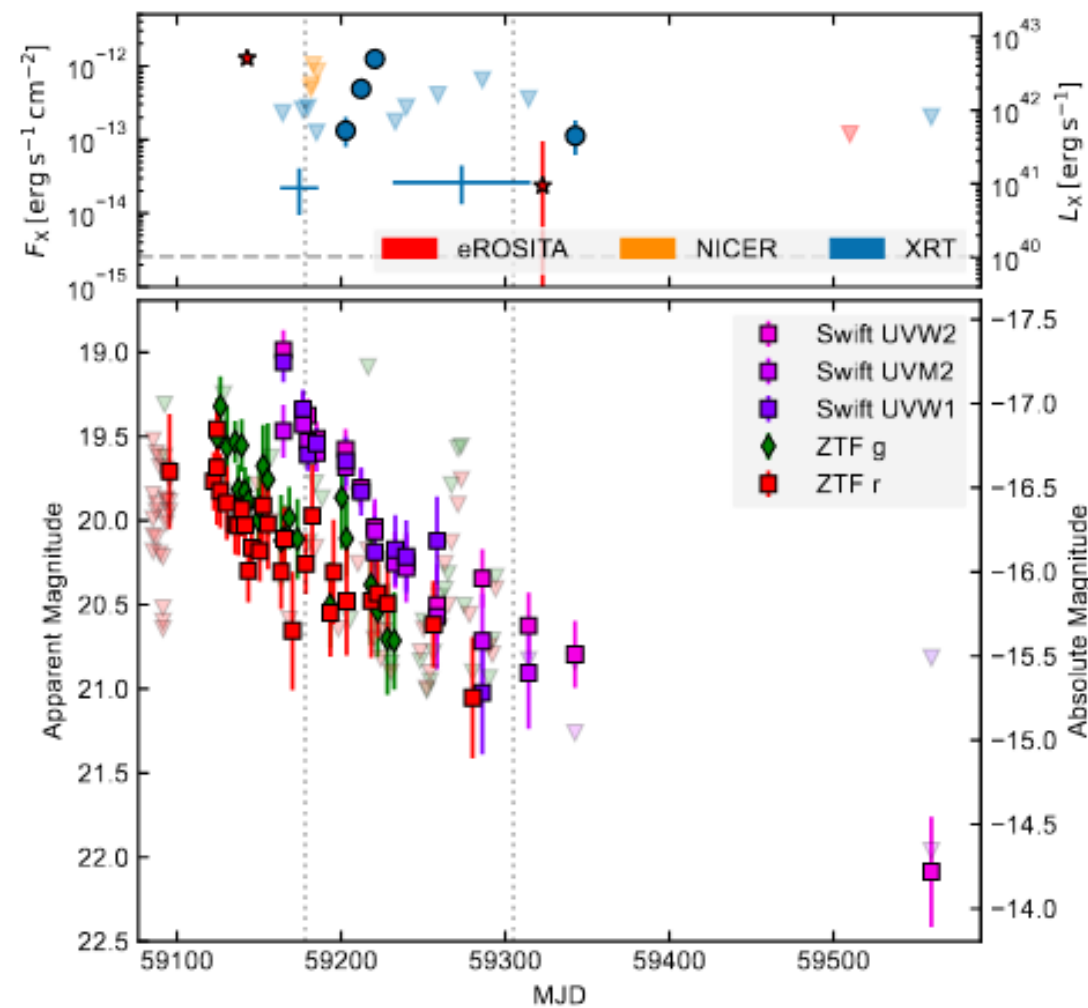
AGN variability breaking accretion disk theory)

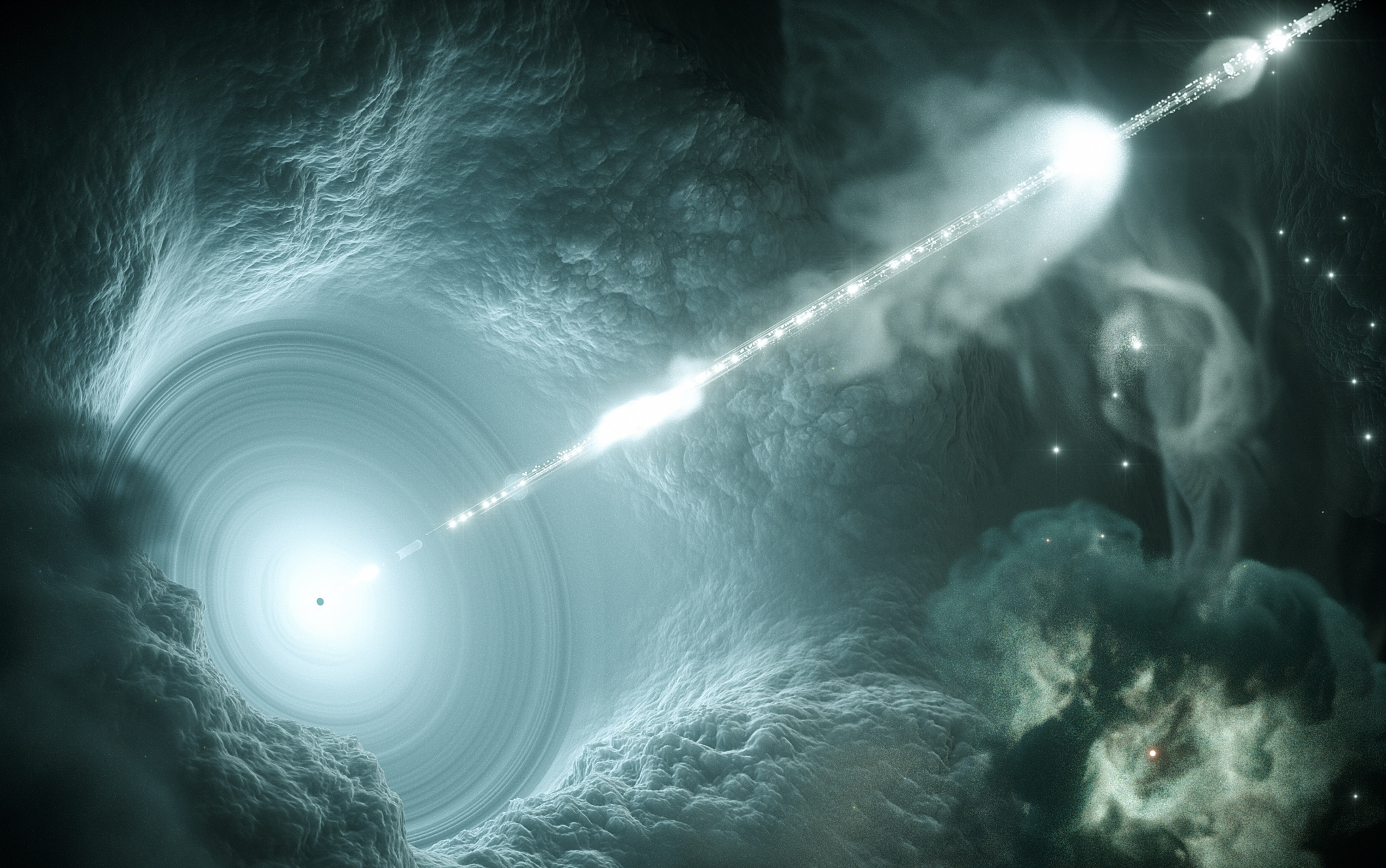
# Tidal Disruption Events II

“lets find things that look like a TDE”

→ “What does a TDE look like?”

Arne Rau, Zhu Liu, [Adam Malyali](#), Iuliia Grotova,  
David Homan, Mirko Krumpe...





GRAHSP: Genuine Retrieval of the AGN host stellar population (Buchner+24, in press)

# Takeaway: eROSITA DR1

- All-sky survey

in 2020 -- 0.2-5 keV

- Data Release 1:

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- Large AGN samples

- Transients

Future:

- 3.5 more surveys
  - + Multiwavelength counterparts, redshifts, data expertise
  - + Collaborate with the German eROSITA collaboration
- Tech flying on Einstein Probe

