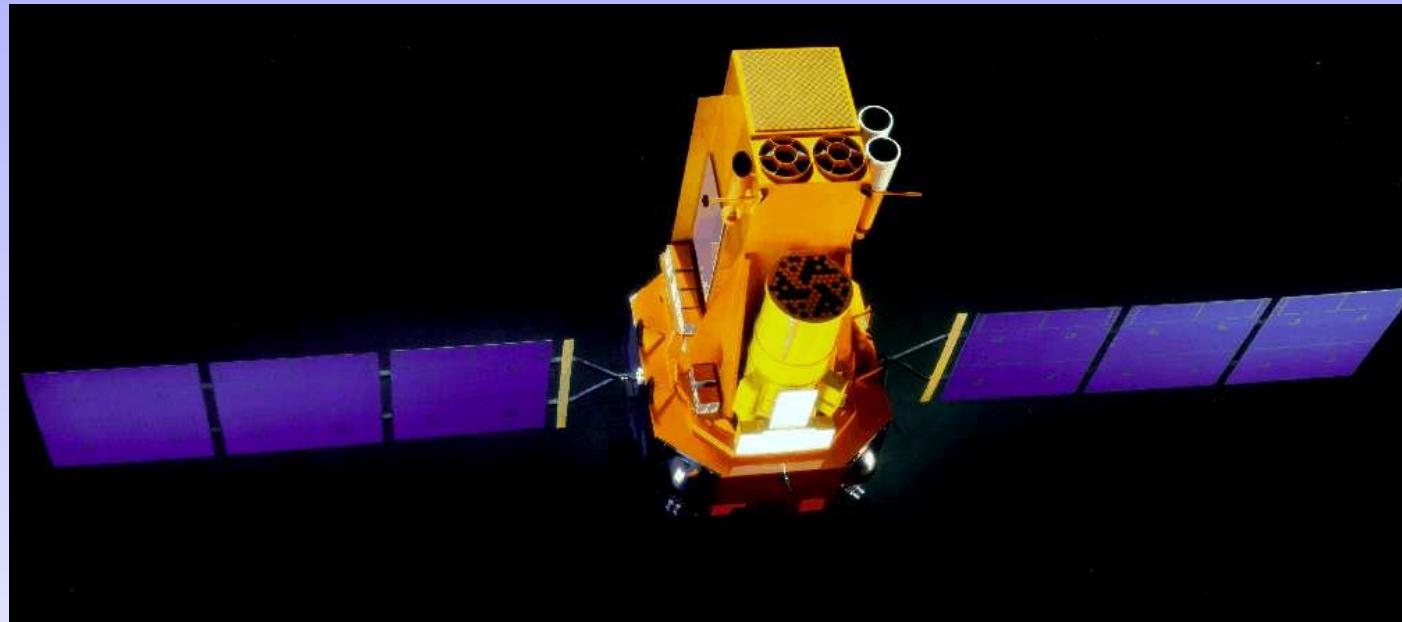
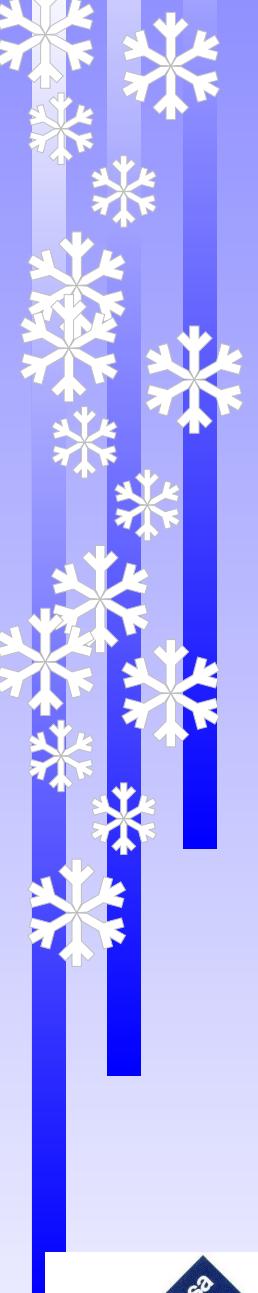


The Integral mission



seminary talk by F. Hroch
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The Integral mission

- ★ *International Gamma-Ray Astrophysics Laboratory*
- ★ Gamma-ray observatory with concurrent X-ray and optical monitoring.
- ★ ESA's second gamma-ray mission (COS-B, 1975)
- ★ ESA led mission in collaboration with Russia, US, Czech Republic and Poland
- ★ Highly eccentric 72 hour orbit
- ★ Observing programme includes 65-75% open time.



Integral spacecraft

Lunch date:

- ★ 17 Oct. 2002

Launch mass:

- ★ 4 tonnes

Dimensions:

- ★ 5×3.7 m,
- ★ 16 m panels



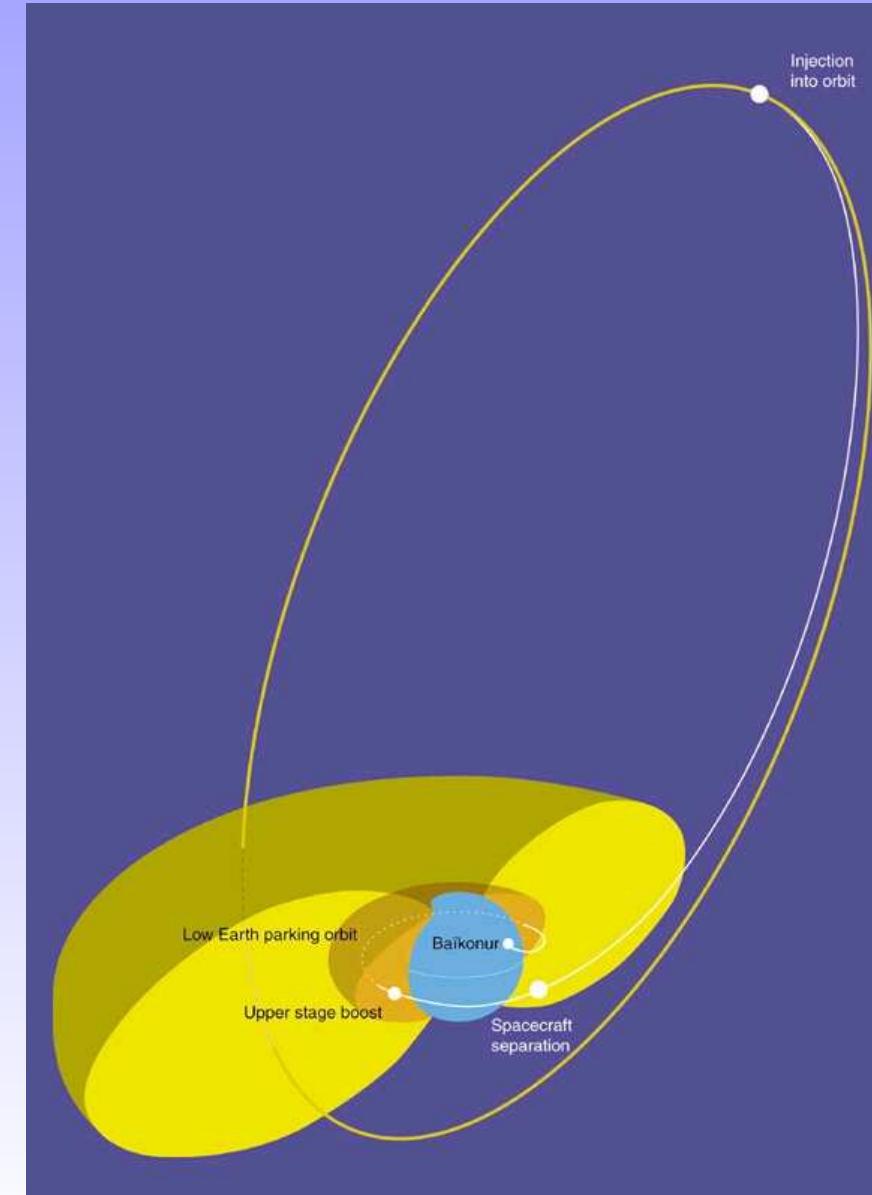
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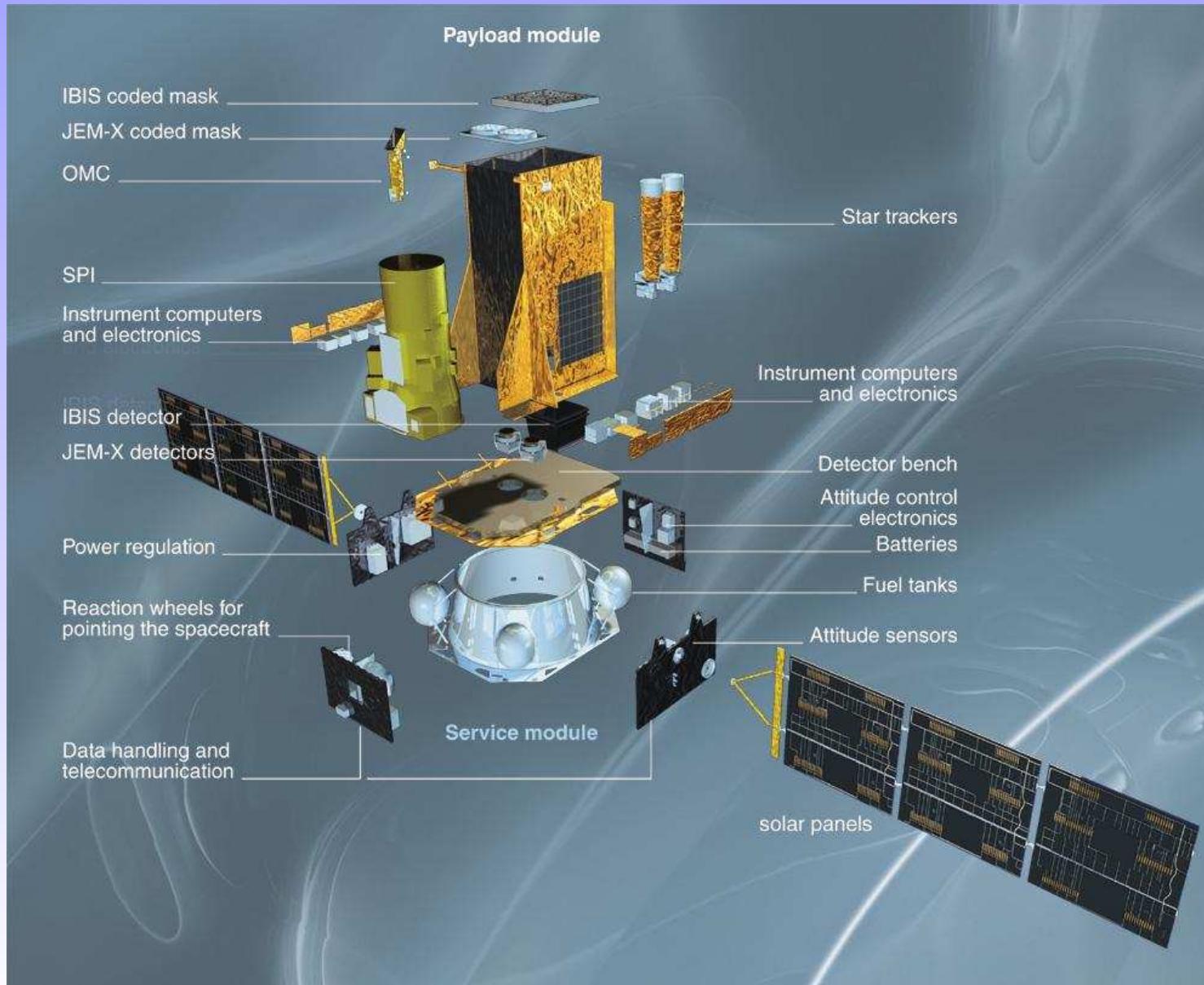
- ★ Proton

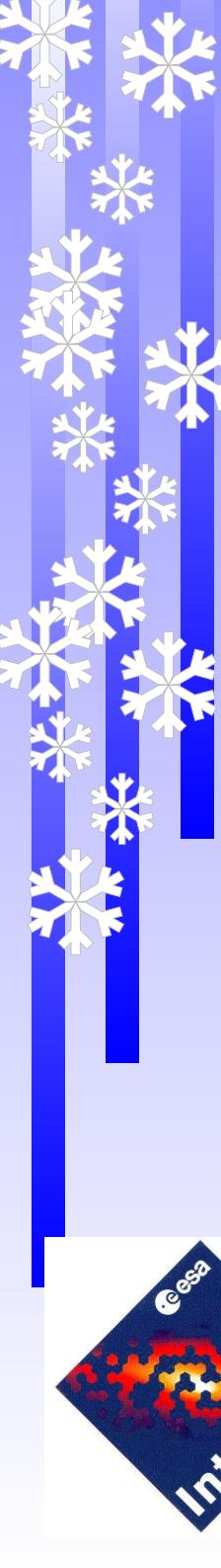
Elements:

- ★ period: 72 hour
- ★ apogee: 153000 km
- ★ perigee: 9000 km
- ★ inclination: 51.6°



Description





Summary of instruments

IBIS (15keV-10MeV, $\sim 9^\circ$, $\sim 12'$)

- ★ main imaging telescope
- ★ detectors: ISGRI, PICoSIT

SPI (10keV-8MeV, $\sim 16^\circ$, $\sim 1.3^\circ$)

- ★ spectrograph

JEMX-1, JEMX-2 (3keV-35keV, $\sim 5^\circ$, $\sim 3^\circ$)

- ★ X-ray imaging telescopes

OMC (V filter, $\sim 5^\circ$, $\sim 25''$)

- ★ optical camera

All high energy instruments are on base of coded mask technique.



Principle of coded mask technique

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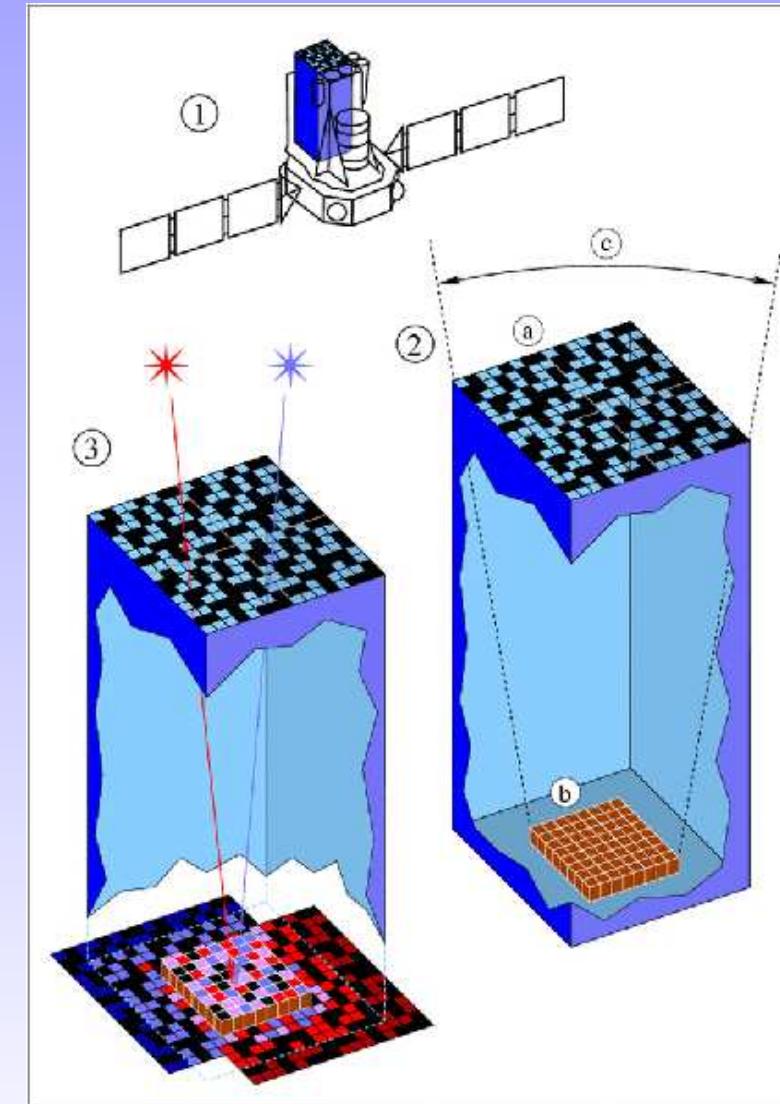
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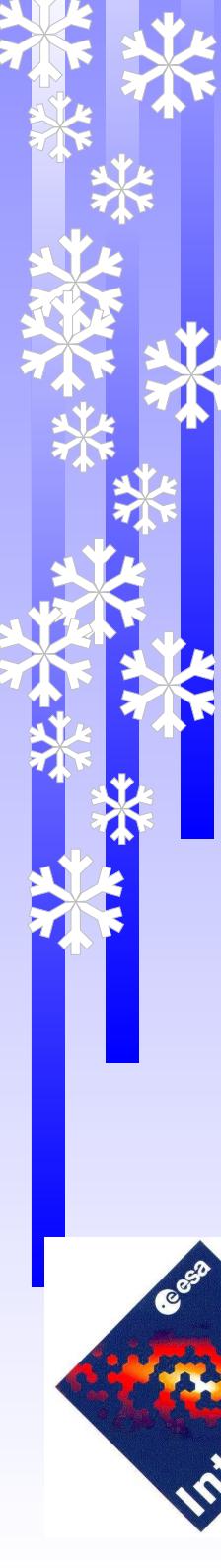
M

Shadowgram:

S

$$S = M * I$$

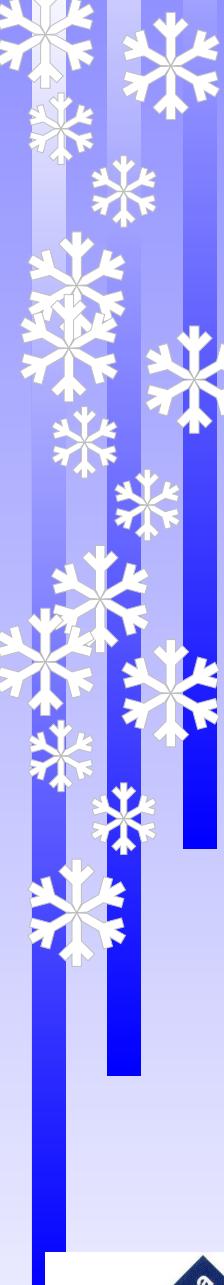




Benefits from coded masks

- + resolution ($\sim 1'$)
- + field of view ($\sim 10^\circ$ - fully coded)
- reduced sensitivity (< 50%)
- indirect imaging





Participation

- ★ Ja (MU) - Centering algorithm, OMC simulator, blazars
- ★ V. Hudcova (ASU) & J. Polcar (MU) - OMC Pointing Software
- ★ M. Bernas (CVUT) & P. Pata (CVUT) - compression
- ★ J. Soldan (ASU) - software support in ISDC
- ★ R. Hudec (ASU) - head of Cataclysmic Variable programme



Scientific objectives - I.

Compact Objects White Dwarfs, Neutron Stars, Black Hole Candidates, High Energy Transients and Gamma-Ray Bursts

Extragalactic Astronomy Galaxies, Clusters, AGN, Seyferts, Blazars, Cosmic Diffuse Background

Stellar Nucleosynthesis Hydrostatic Nucleosynthesis (AGB, WR Stars), Explosive Nucleosynthesis (Supernovae, Novae)



Scientific objectives - II.

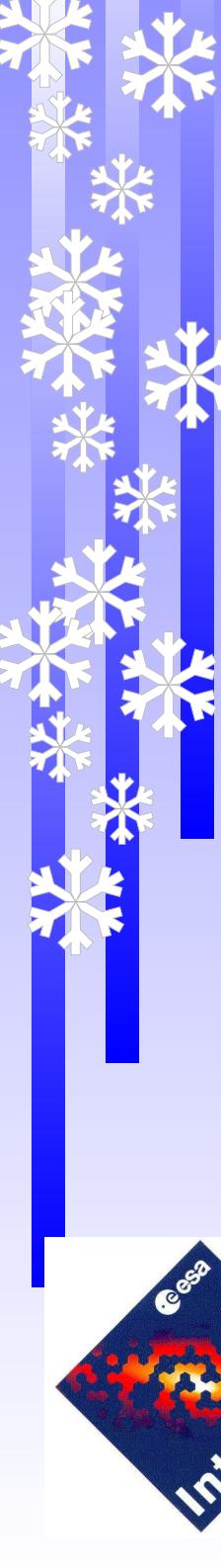
Galactic Structure Cloud Complex Regions, Mapping
of continuum and line emission, ISM, CR distribution

The Galactic Centre

Particle Processes and Acceleration Transrelativistic
Pair Plasmas, Beams, Jets

Identification of High Energy Sources Unidentified
Gamma-Ray Objects as a Class

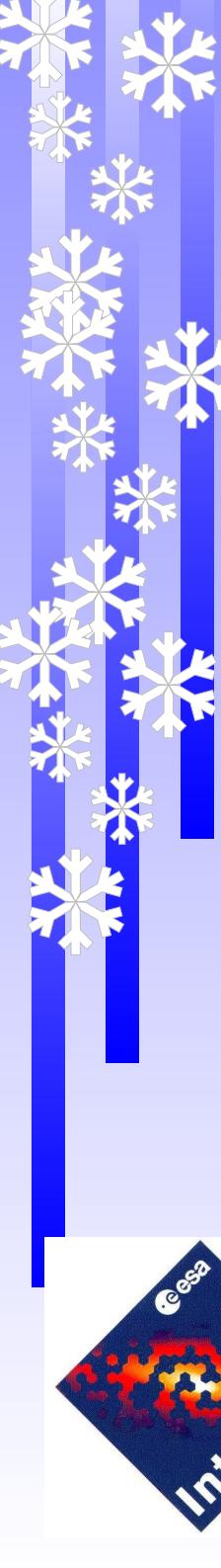




Core program

- ★ Galactic centre deep exposure (GCDE)
- ★ Weekly galactic plane scans (GPS)
- ★ Transient events (TOO)
- ★ Vela region deep exposure



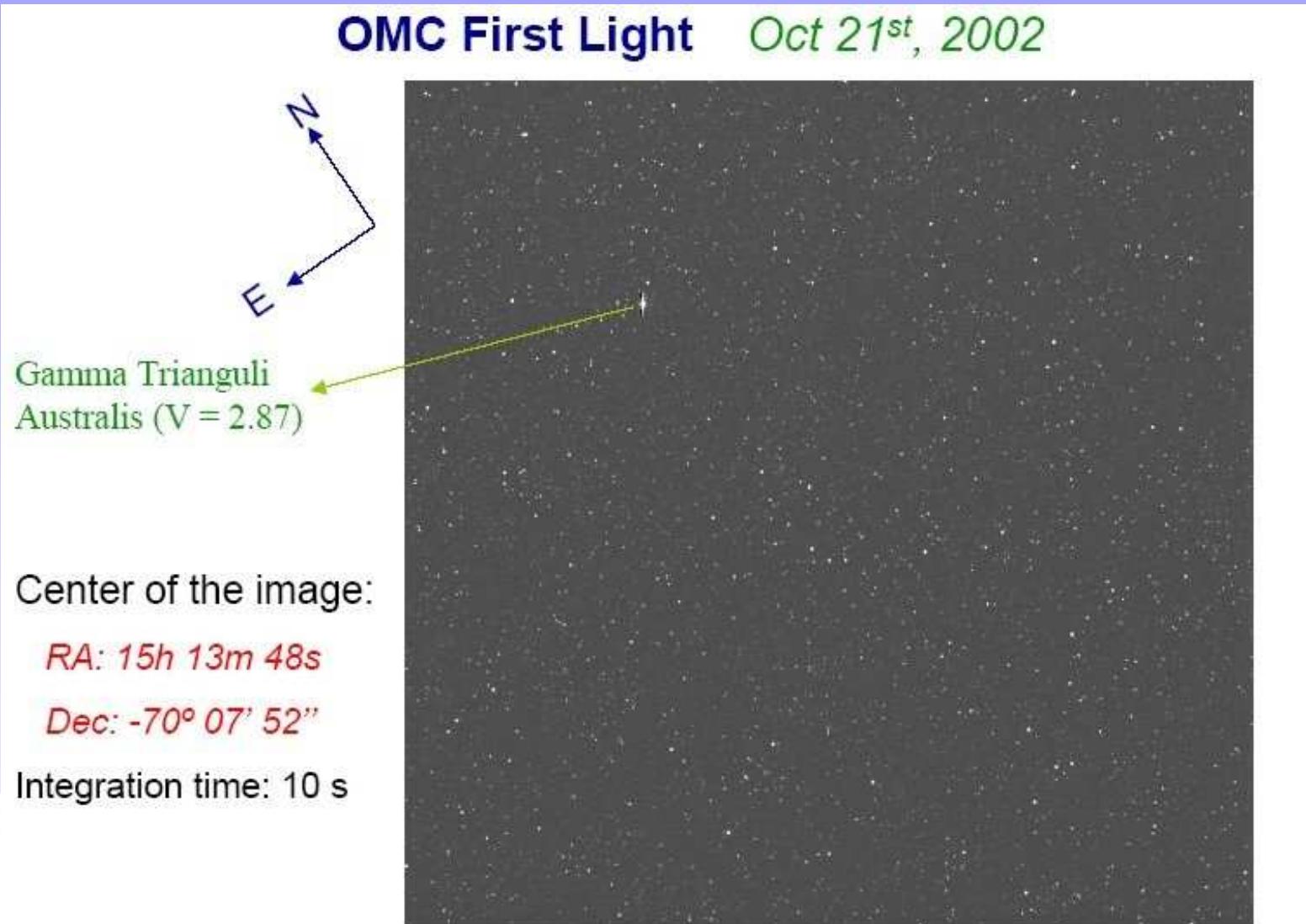


Open time program

- ★ Compact objects (Galaxy and Magellanic Clouds)
- ★ Active galactic nucleus
- ★ Diffuse emission
- ★ Supernova nucleosynthesis



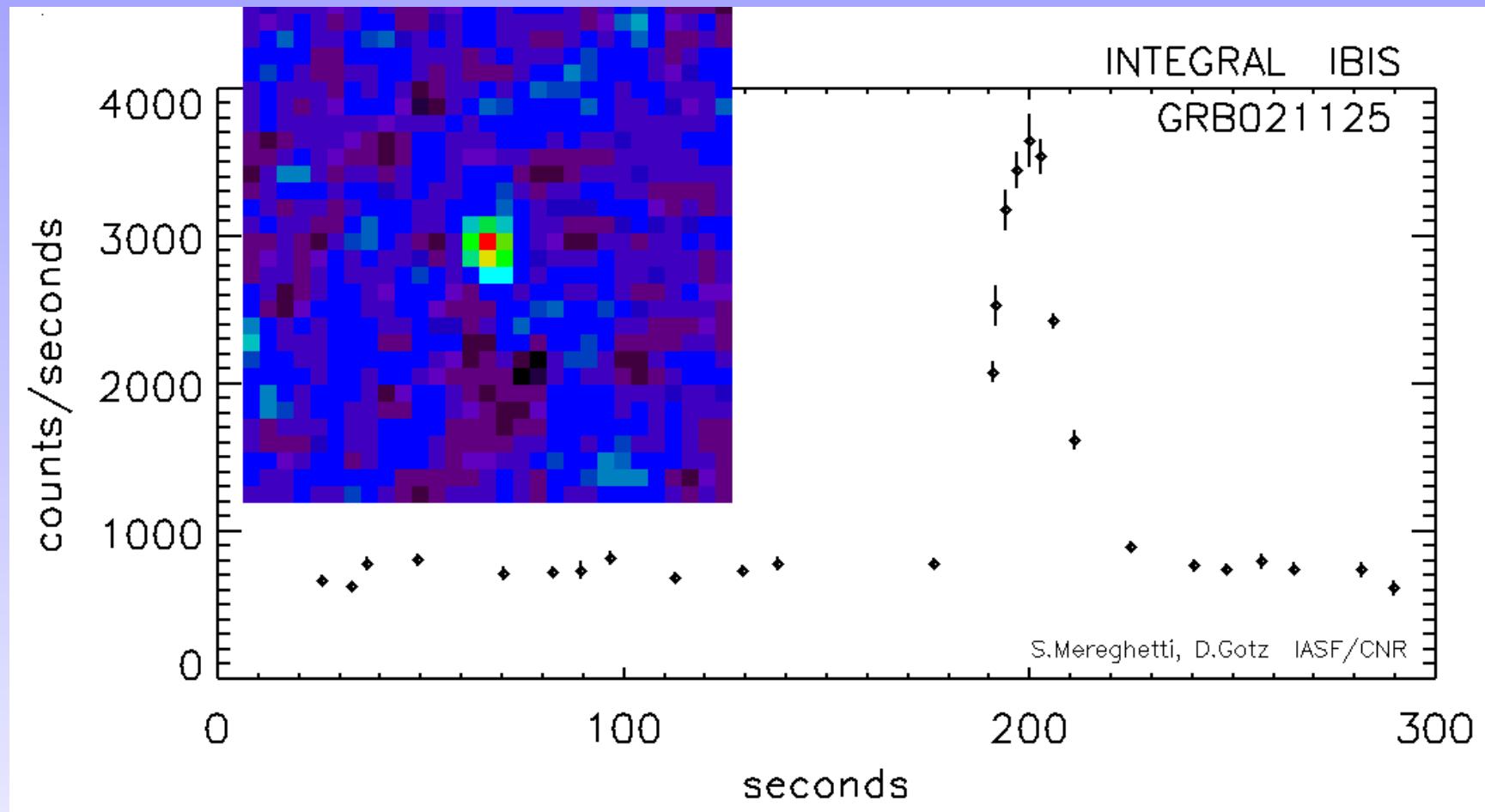
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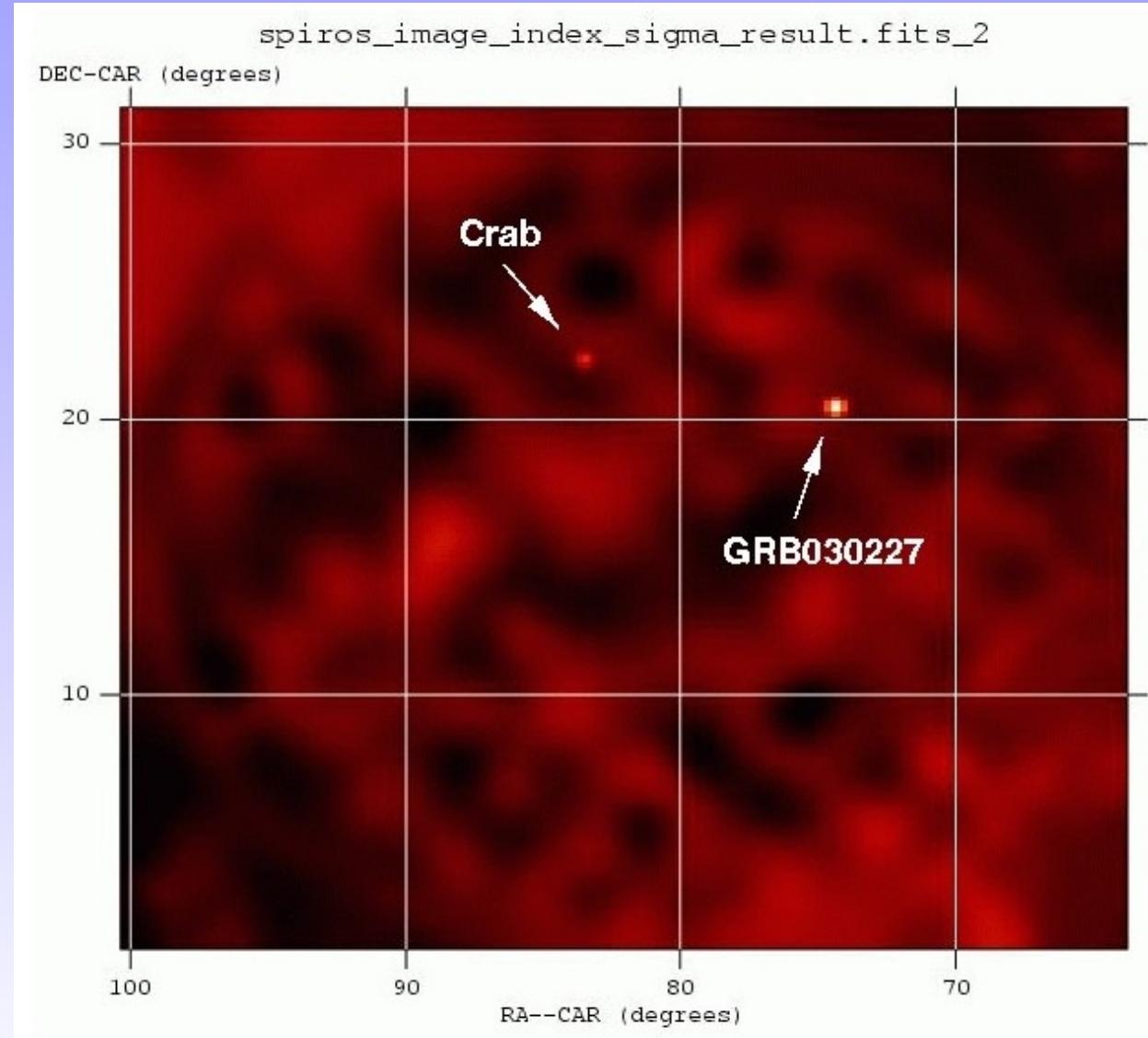
The OMC team



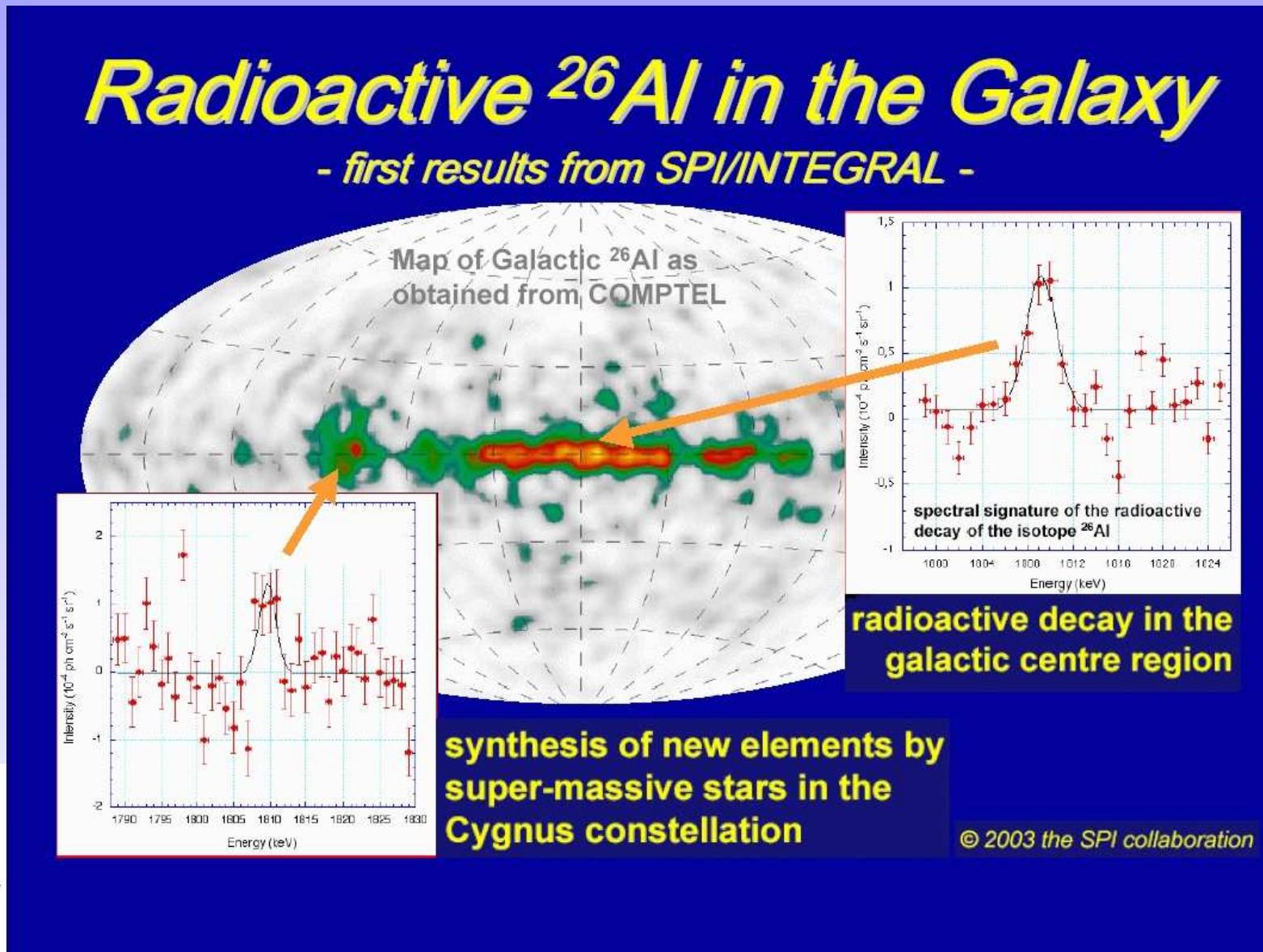
Results - first GRB



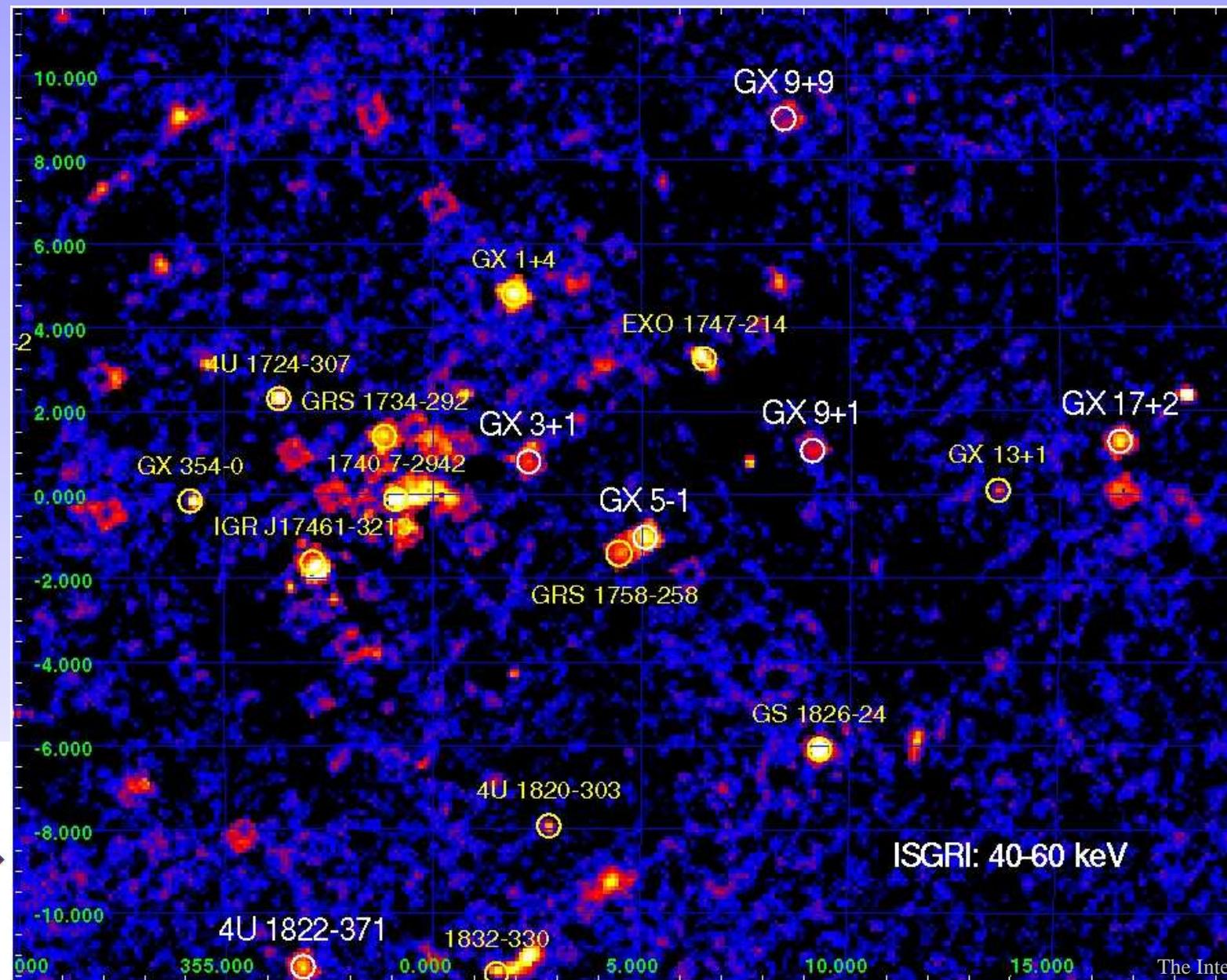
SPI Image of GRB 030227 in 20-200 keV band



1.809 MeV Emission from ^{26}Al in the galaxy



Galactic Centre at 40-60 keV



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