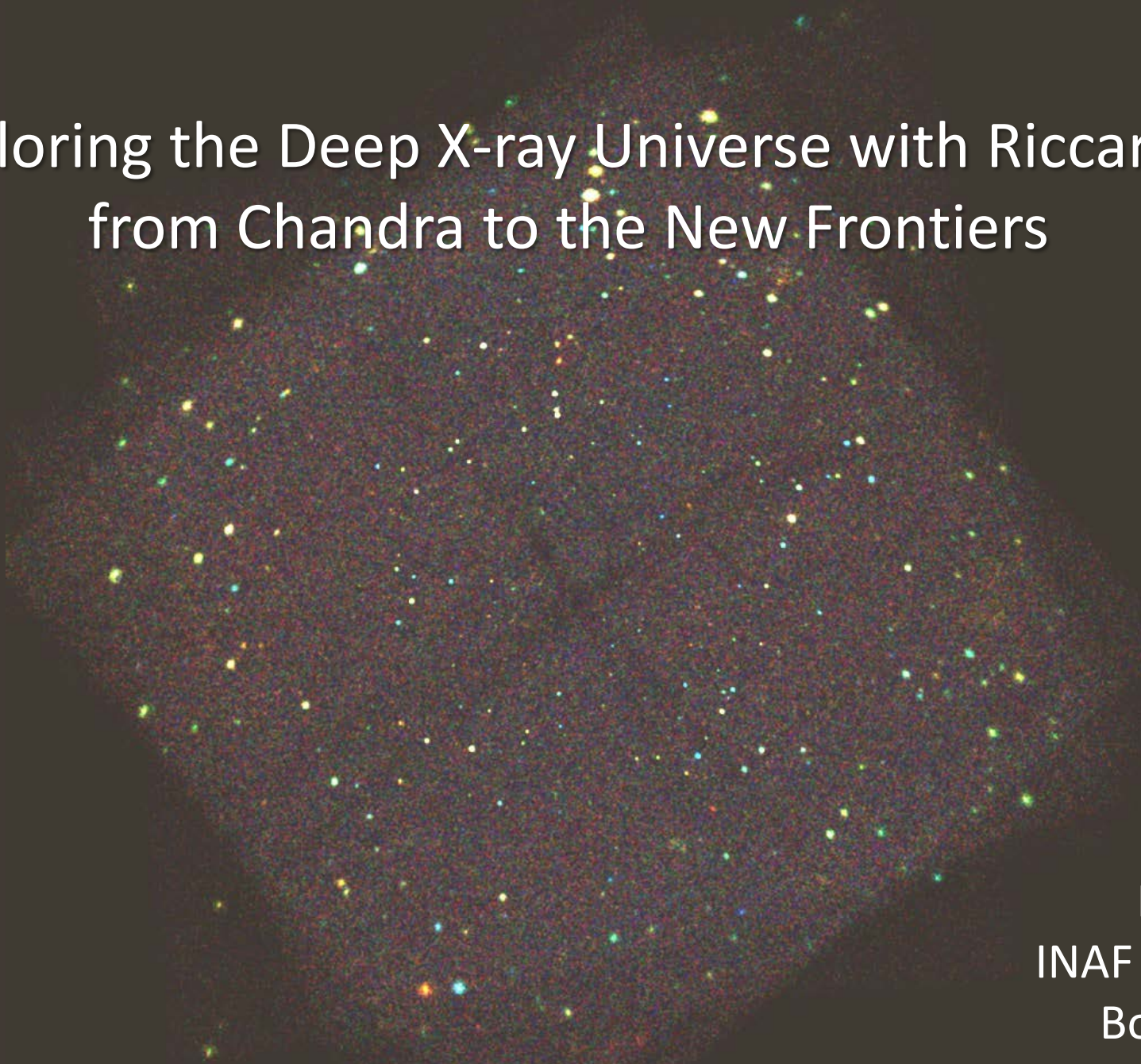


# Exploring the Deep X-ray Universe with Riccardo: from Chandra to the New Frontiers



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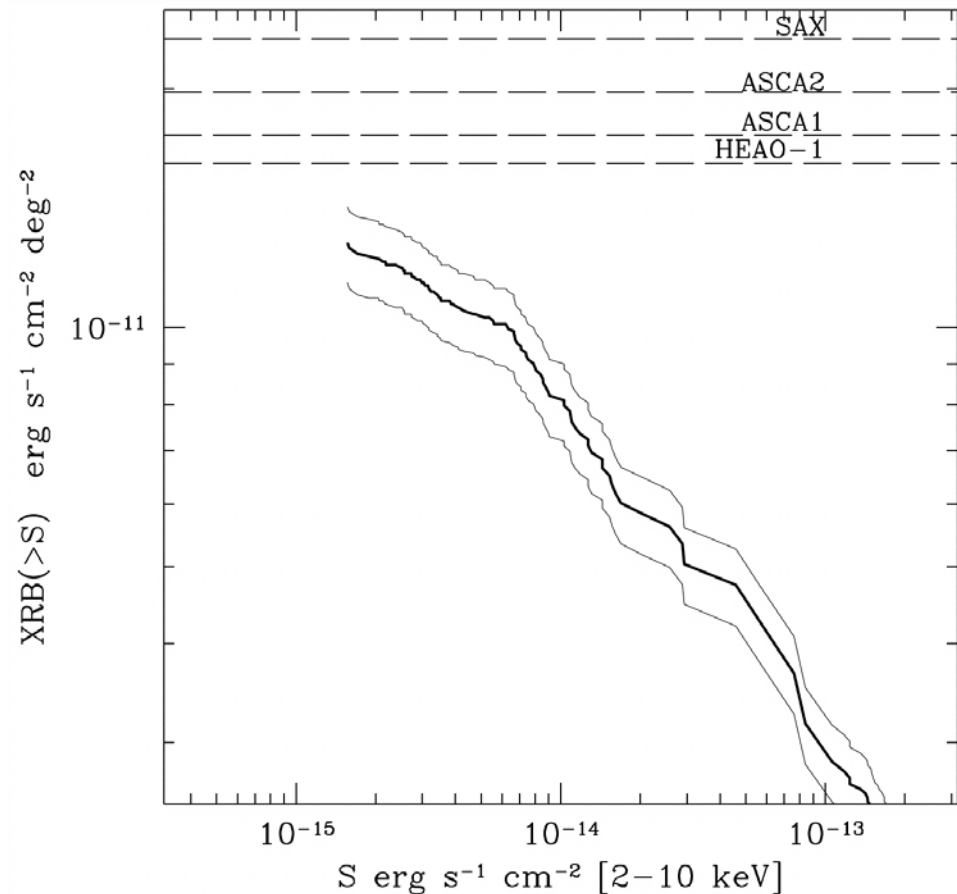
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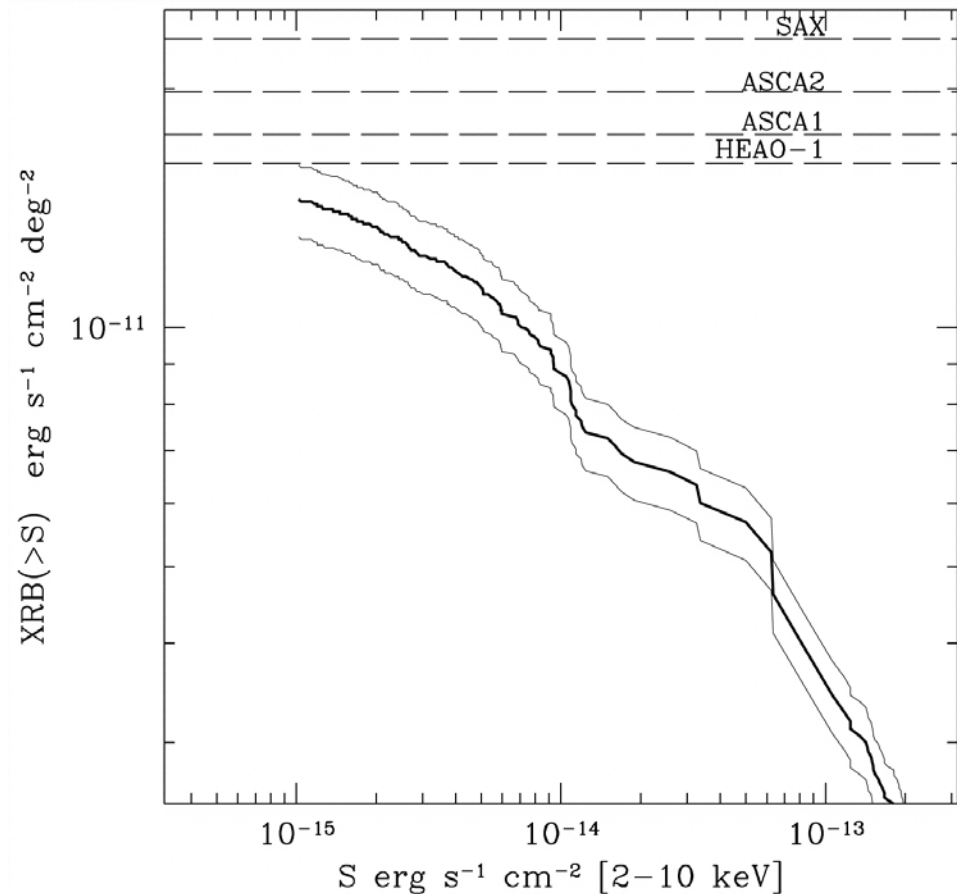
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**120ks** : 159 X-ray sources down to  
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**300ks** : 197 X-ray sources down to  
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# 1Ms CDFs: CXB resolved

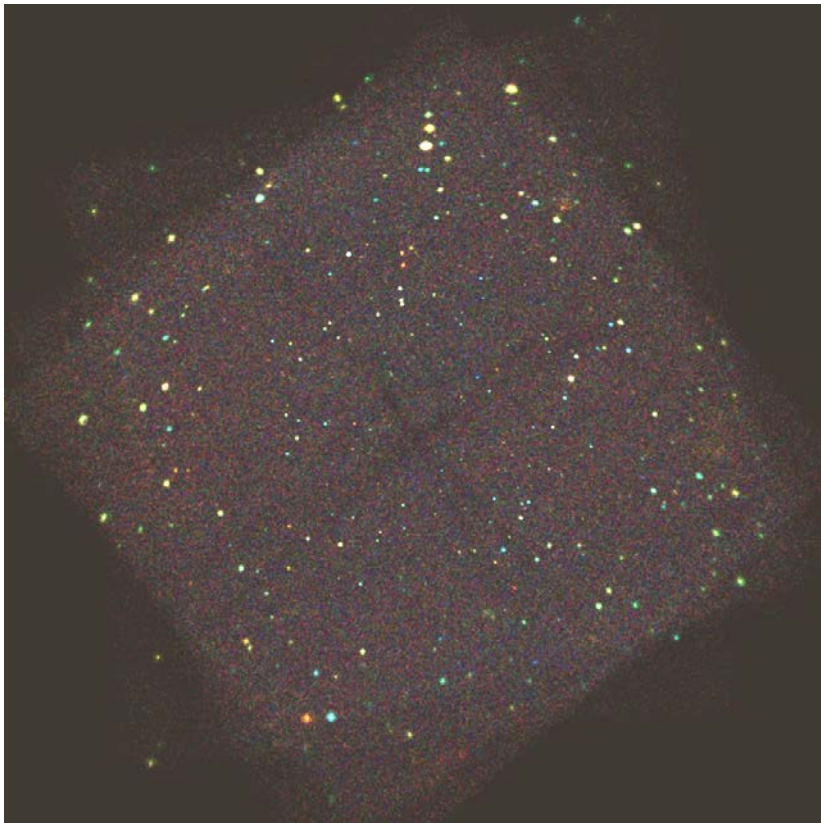
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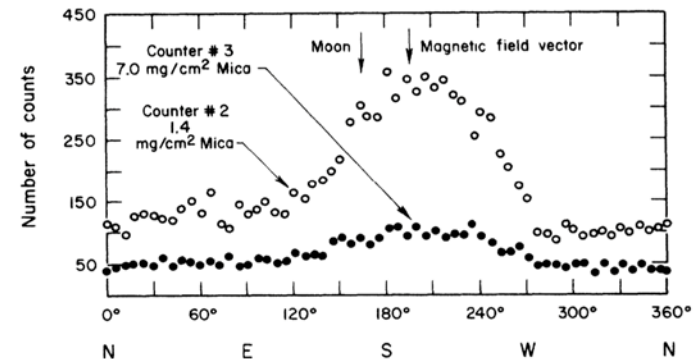
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**1Ms** : 350 X-ray sources down to  
 $f_{0.5-2} \sim 5 \times 10^{-17}$  cgs ,  $f_{2-10} \sim 5 \times 10^{-16}$  cgs



80-90% of the 2-10 keV CXB resolved  
into single sources, mostly AGN

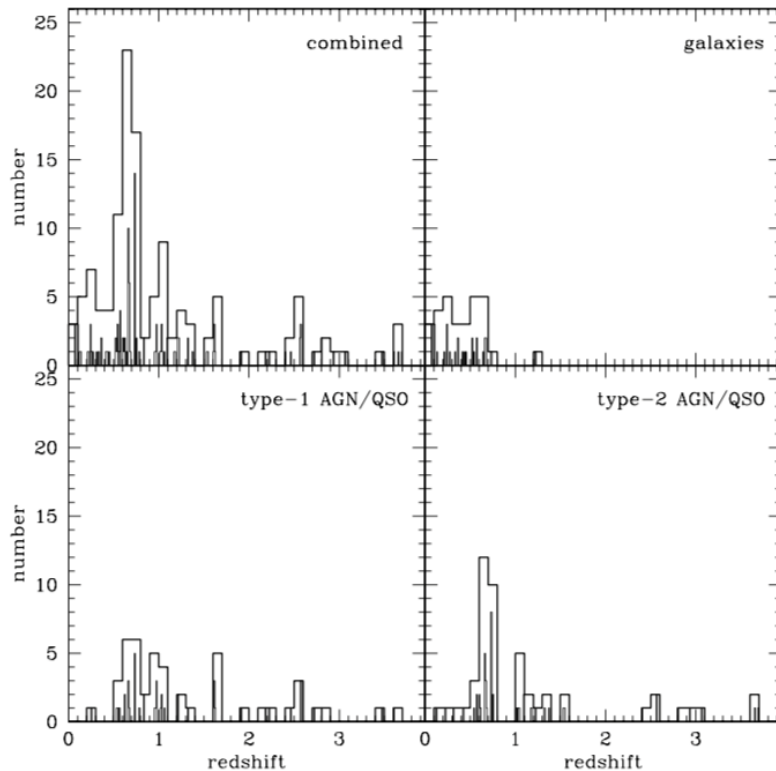
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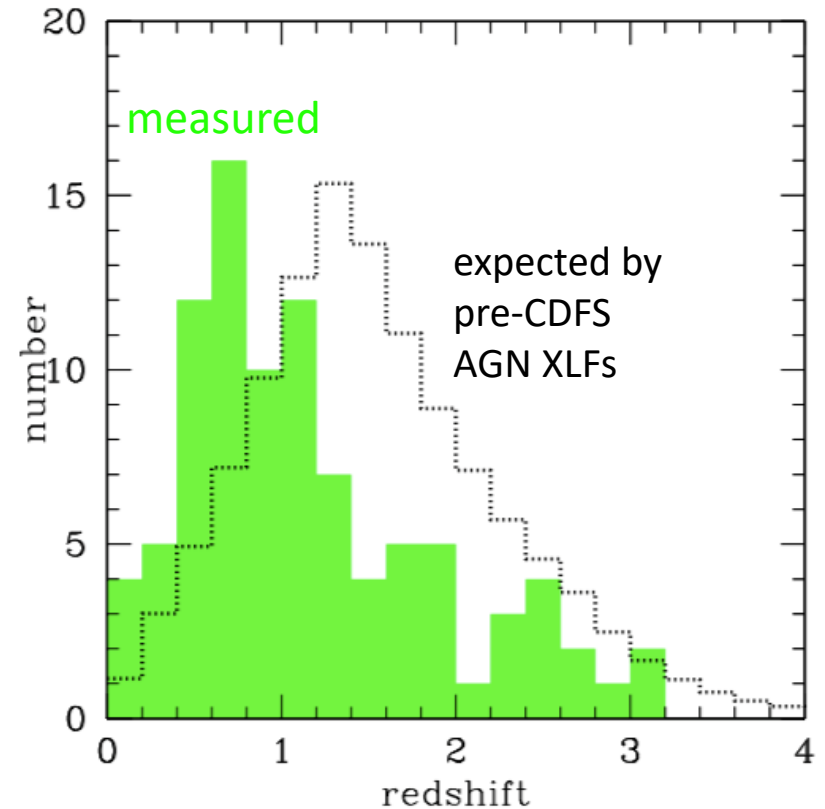
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## Optical identification: AGN redshift distribution

Peak at  $z < 1$  and evidence for prominent LSSs



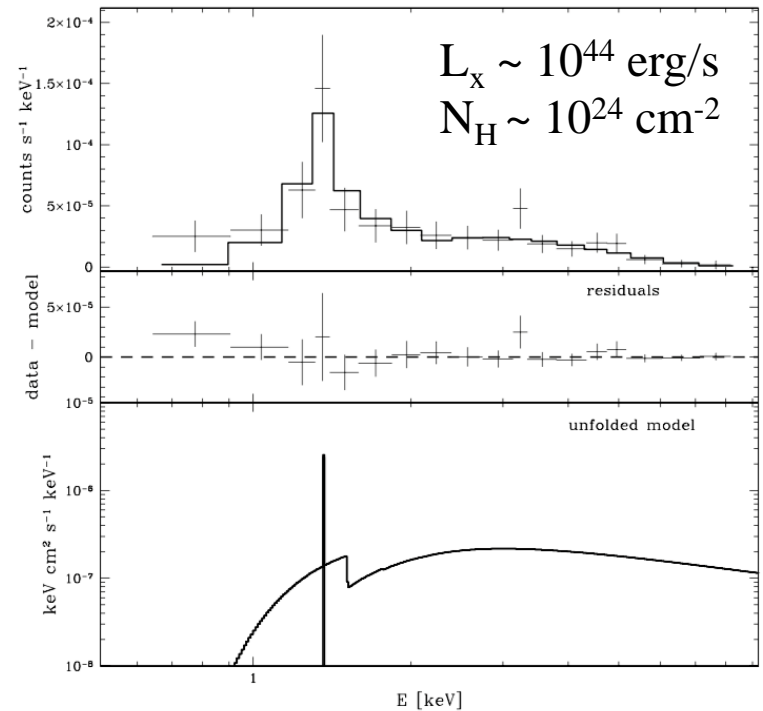
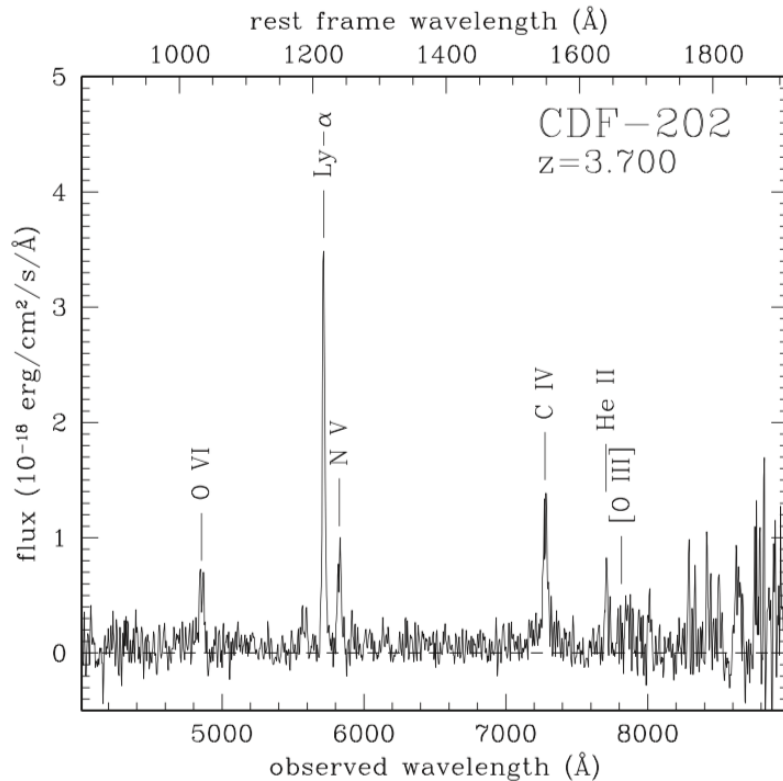
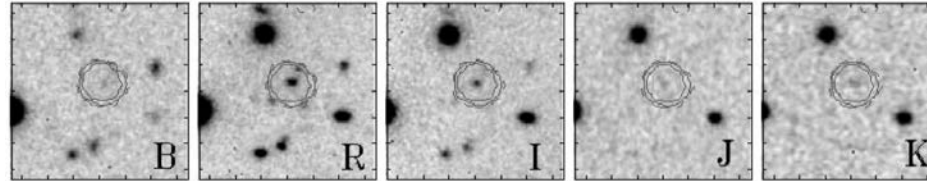
First manifestation of AGN downsizing



# A CLASSIC TYPE 2 QSO

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First example of a distant, heavily obscured QSO



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1Ms GTO/DDT Giacconi/Tananbaum (1999-2000)

1Ms DDT Tananbaum (2007)

2Ms DDT Tananbaum (2010)

3Ms GO Brandt (2014-2016)



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1000 sources down to

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Credit: M. Paolillo

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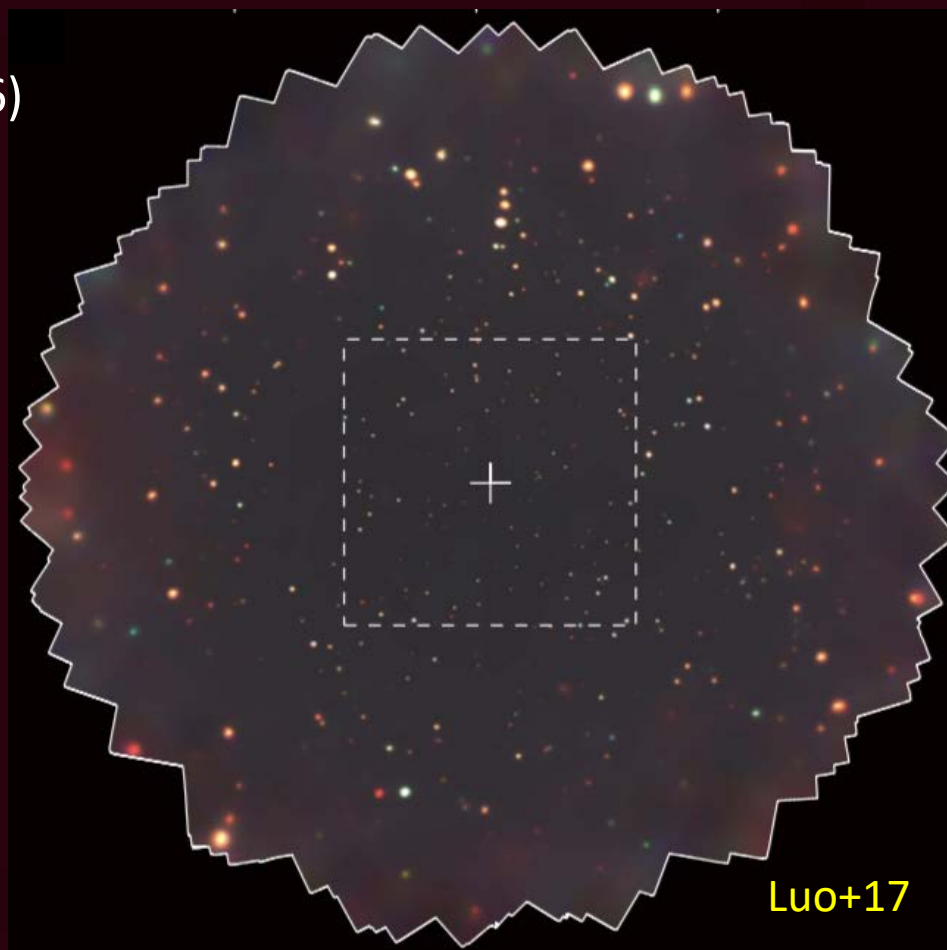
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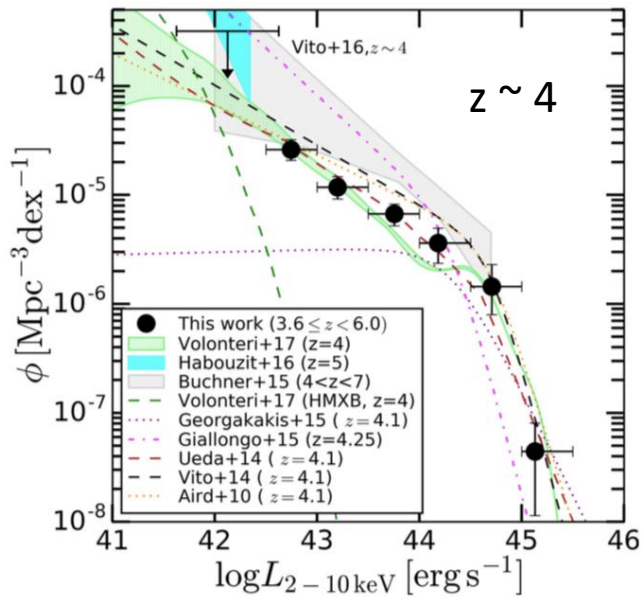
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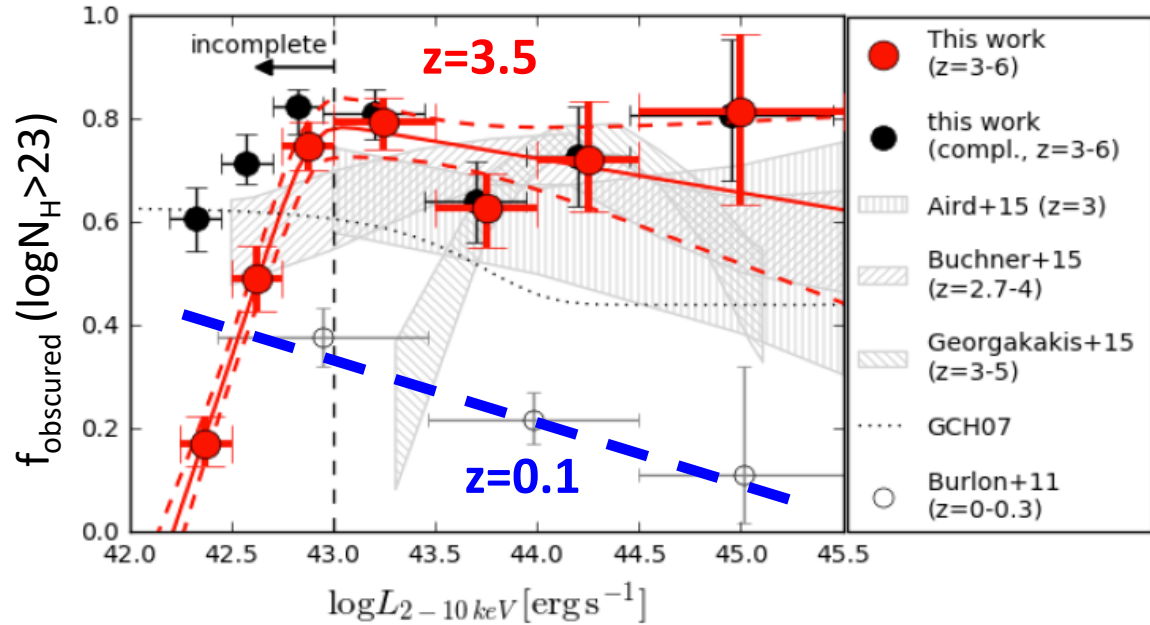
# A key resource for AGN evolution studies

## AGN XLF

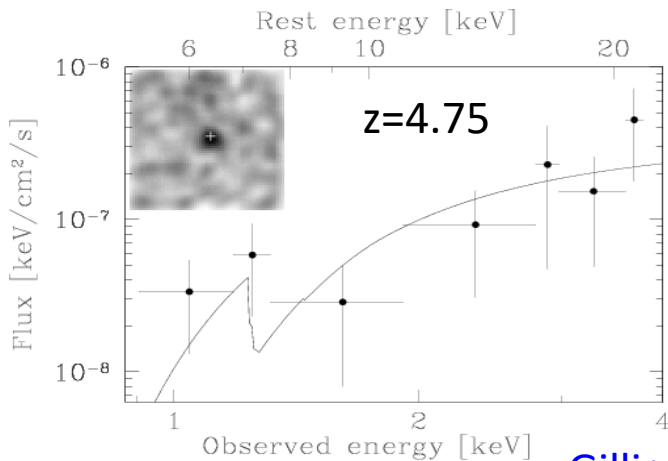


Vito+18

## History of nuclear obscuration



## Most distant obscured QSO

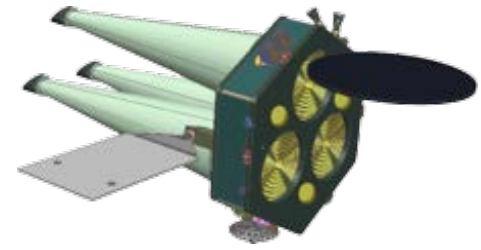


Gilli+11

high- $z$  nuclei hidden because of denser ISM? [Circosta+19](#)

All in  $0.1 \text{ deg}^2$  of the sky...

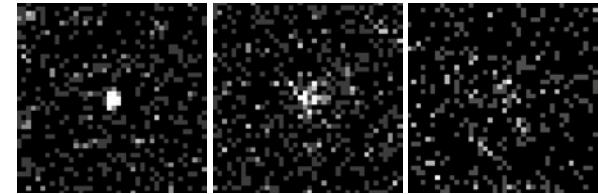
# The Wide Field X-ray Telescope



Original concept in [Burrows, Burg & Giacconi 1992](#)

Basics:  $1\text{m}^2$  @ 1 keV, **5" HEW flat over  $1\text{ deg}^2$  FoV**  
(Chandra av. 3" over  $0.1\text{ deg}^2$ )

7Ms CDFS sources



1 arcmin    6 arcmin    9 arcmin



White papers submitted to the NASA Decadal Survey 2010  
[Giacconi+09](#), [Vikhlinin+09](#), [Murray+09](#), [Ptak+09](#)

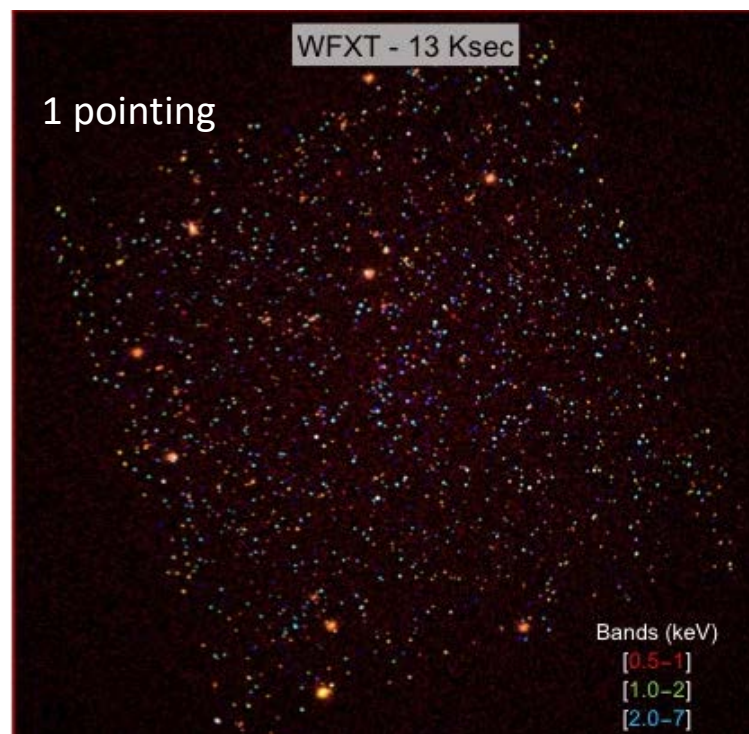
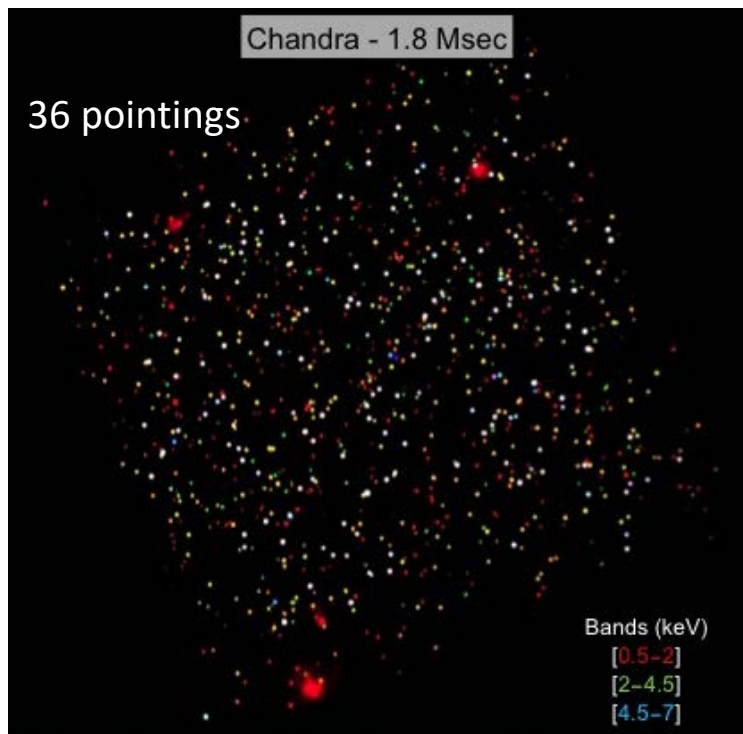
RFIs submitted in 2009 and 2011

<http://www.wfxt.eu>

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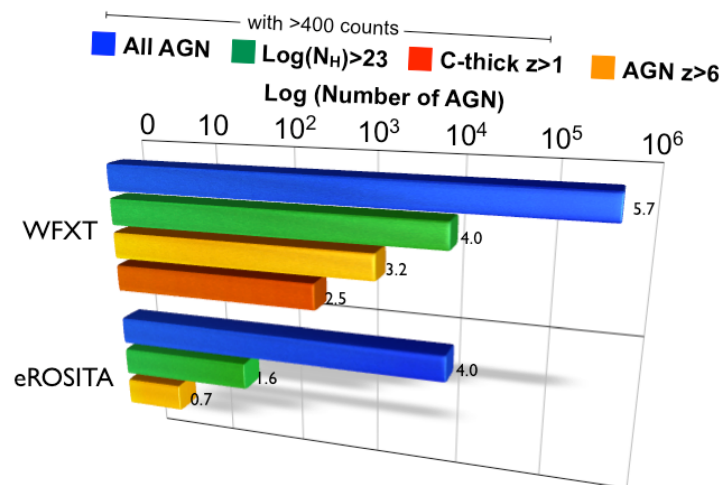
X-ray surveys over 100s-1000s  $\text{deg}^2$  down to Chandra deep fields depth  
Immense discovery space: incarnation of Riccardo's mantra "listen to Nature"

# WFXT simulation of the 1 deg<sup>2</sup> Chandra-COSMOS field



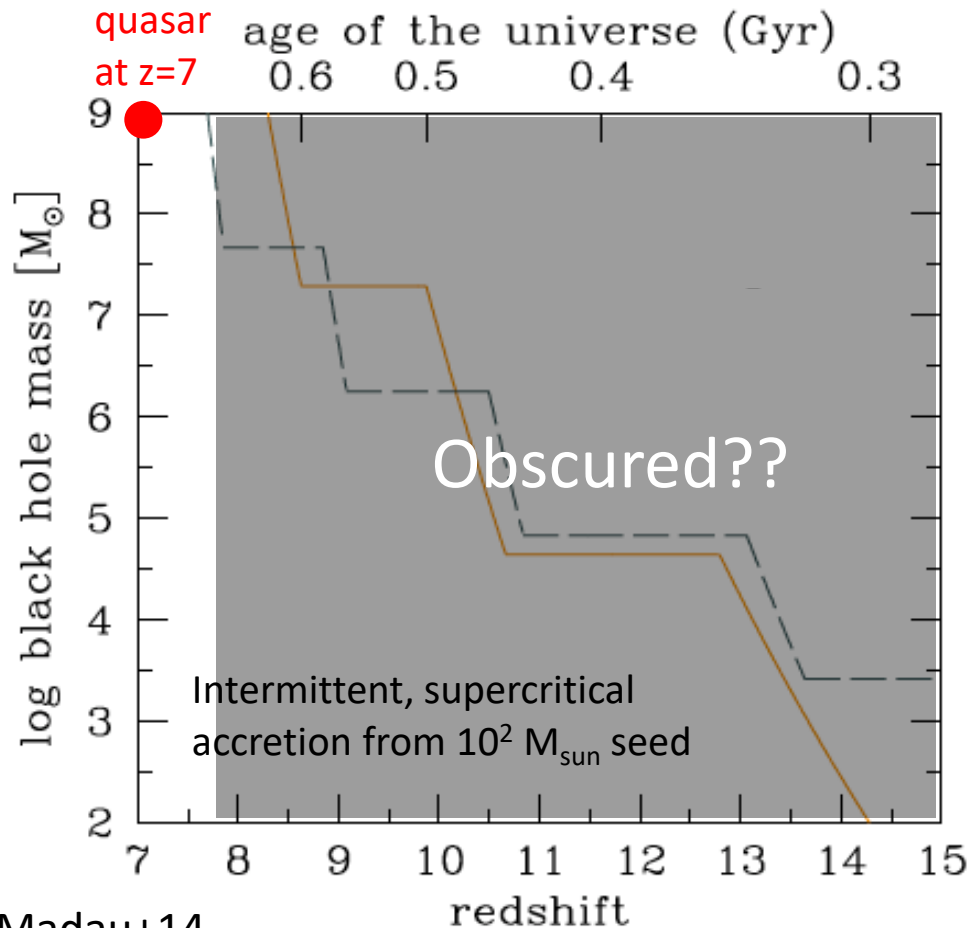
WFXT surveys =

- 1000x 1Ms-CDFS +
- 1000x C-Cosmos +
- 1000x XBootes



# Quasars at $z > 6$ : little time to grow

BH seed models span the full mass spectrum  $10^{2-6} M_{\text{sun}}$  ...  
that is, we have no idea of what they are



Madau+14

200 QSOs known at  $z > 6$ , 3 at  $z > 7$   
All of them unobscured (by selection)

In WFXT  
surveys: 1800 AGN  
at  $z \geq 6$ , 70 at  $z > 8$

mostly obscured??



# From the foreword to the proceedings of the meeting: “The Wide Field X-ray Telescope”, Bologna Nov 25-16, 2009

Important discoveries in all branches of Astronomy and in particular in X-Ray Astronomy have often come about by a combination of physical intuition, technological improvements, and a boundless faith in the richness of Nature. It is clear that theories about the Universe only go so far as can be achieved given our current knowledge and our mathematical skills.

Nature has no such limitations and has already solved the questions we are asking; very simply Nature is. This perhaps is why so many discoveries in Astronomy are real discoveries rather than verifications. The existence of binary X-ray sources, of efficient energy production by in fall of matter on collapsed objects, the existence of an extragalactic X-ray background, and the existence of intergalactic plasmas were revealed in most cases by unexpected discoveries from broad surveys in the X-ray domain.

While faith in the bounty of Nature is justified, it is also important to realize that understanding Nature requires skill in providing discovery space and care in listening to its replies.

Riccardo Giacconi, September 2010