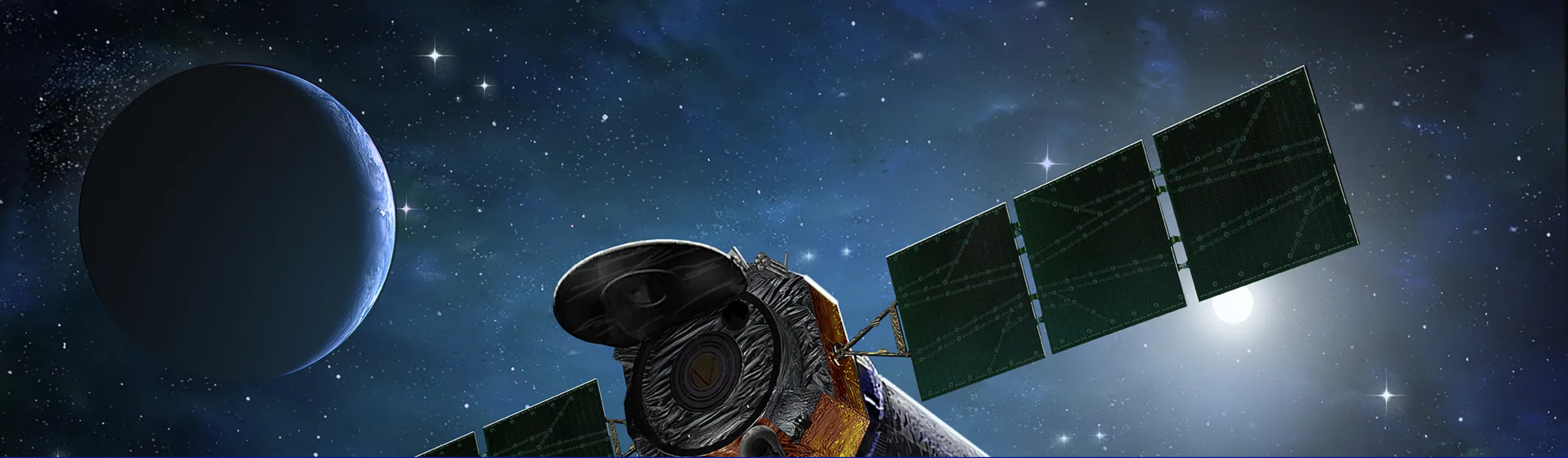
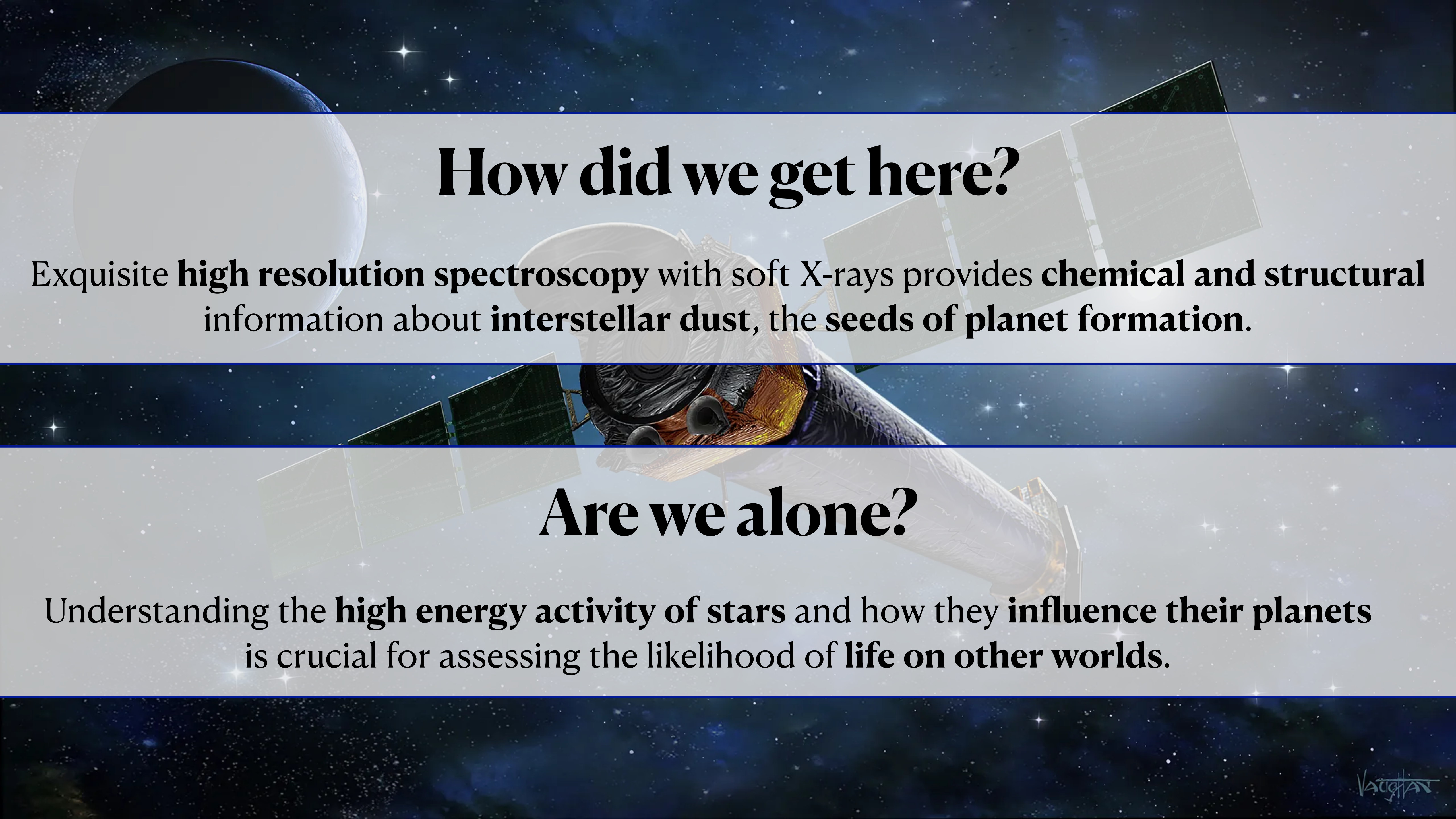


A detailed illustration of the Chandra X-ray Observatory in space. The observatory is shown from a low angle, with its large, circular, gold-colored X-ray mirror assembly in the foreground. Behind it, the green solar panel arrays are visible, extending into the dark blue and black void of space. In the upper left, a large, blue, and white planet (Earth) is partially visible. The background is filled with numerous stars of varying brightness, some with prominent diffraction spikes. The overall scene is set against a deep blue and black cosmic backdrop.

From Cosmic Dust to Habitable Worlds: 25 years of insights from *Chandra*

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The background is a composite image. At the top left, a portion of a planet is visible against a starry sky. In the center, a satellite with solar panels is shown in space. The bottom half of the image is a dark, starry space scene.

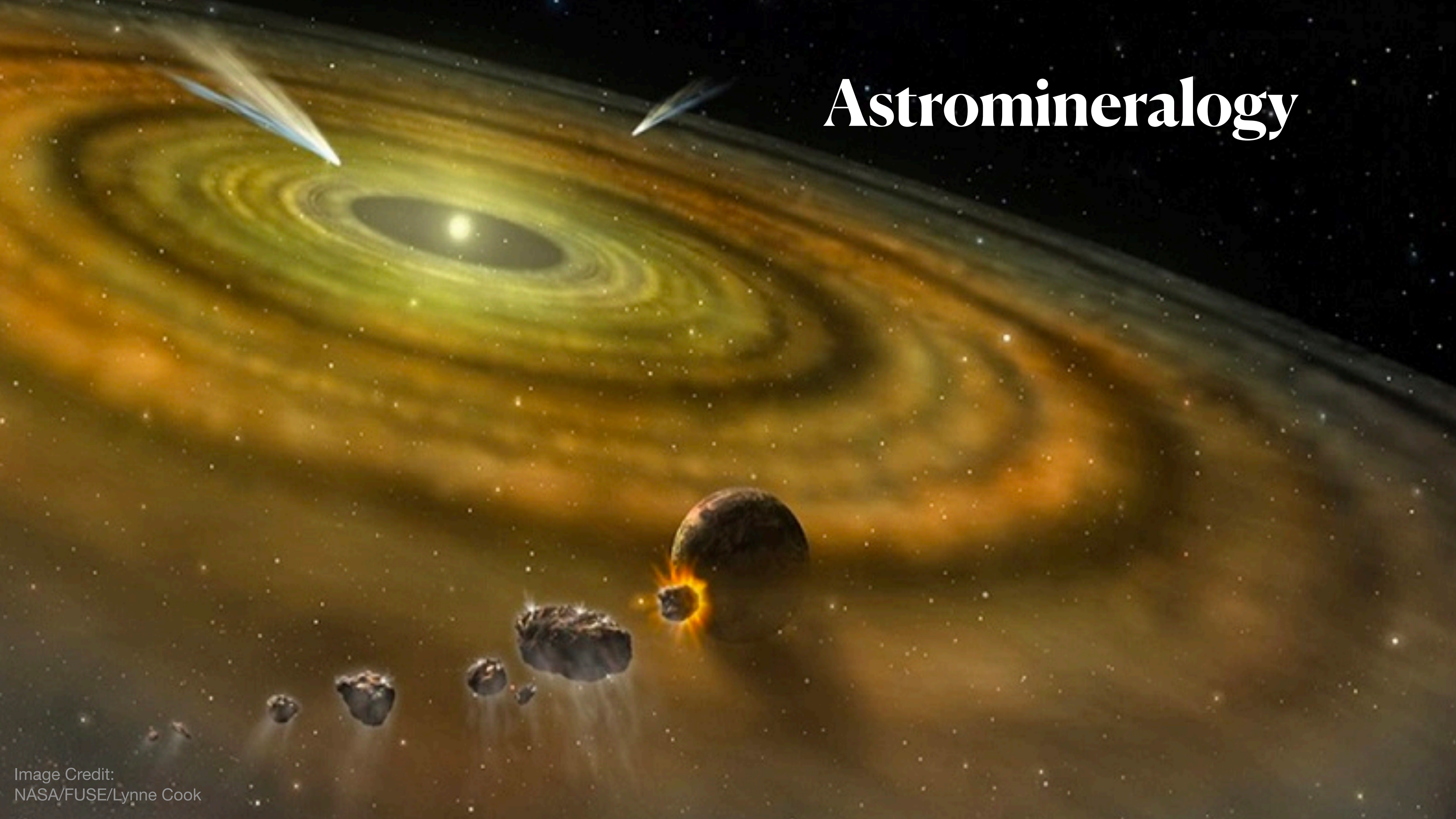
How did we get here?

Exquisite **high resolution spectroscopy** with soft X-rays provides **chemical and structural** information about **interstellar dust**, the **seeds of planet formation**.

Are we alone?

Understanding the **high energy activity of stars** and how they **influence their planets** is crucial for assessing the likelihood of **life on other worlds**.

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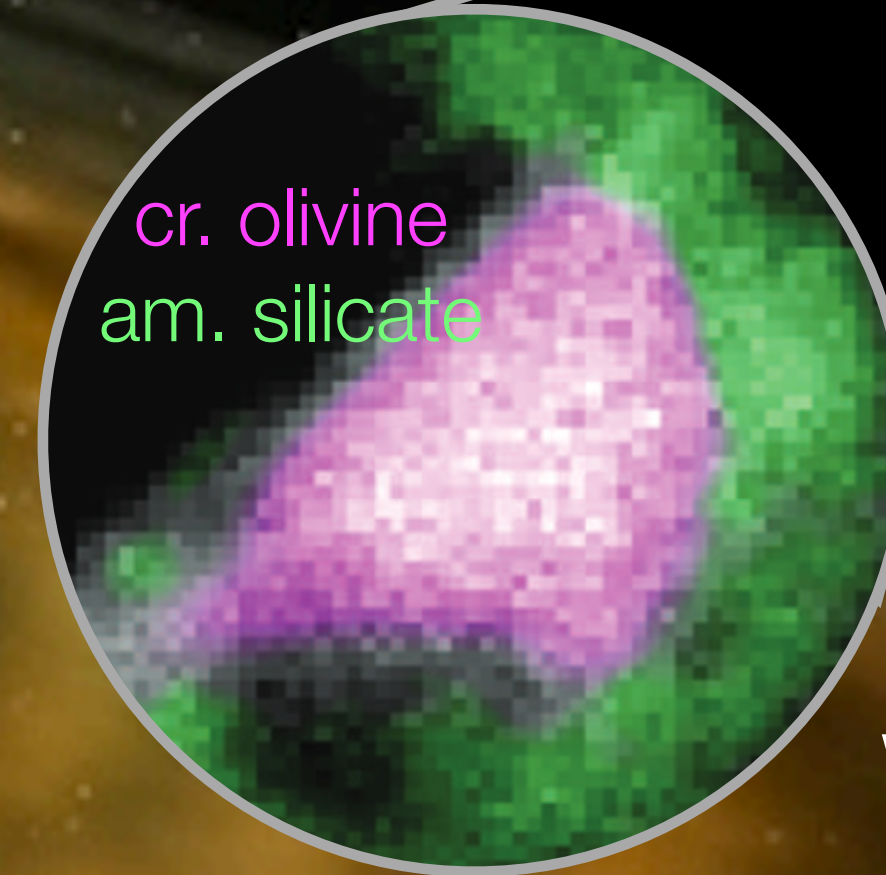


How does interstellar dust contribute to planet formation?



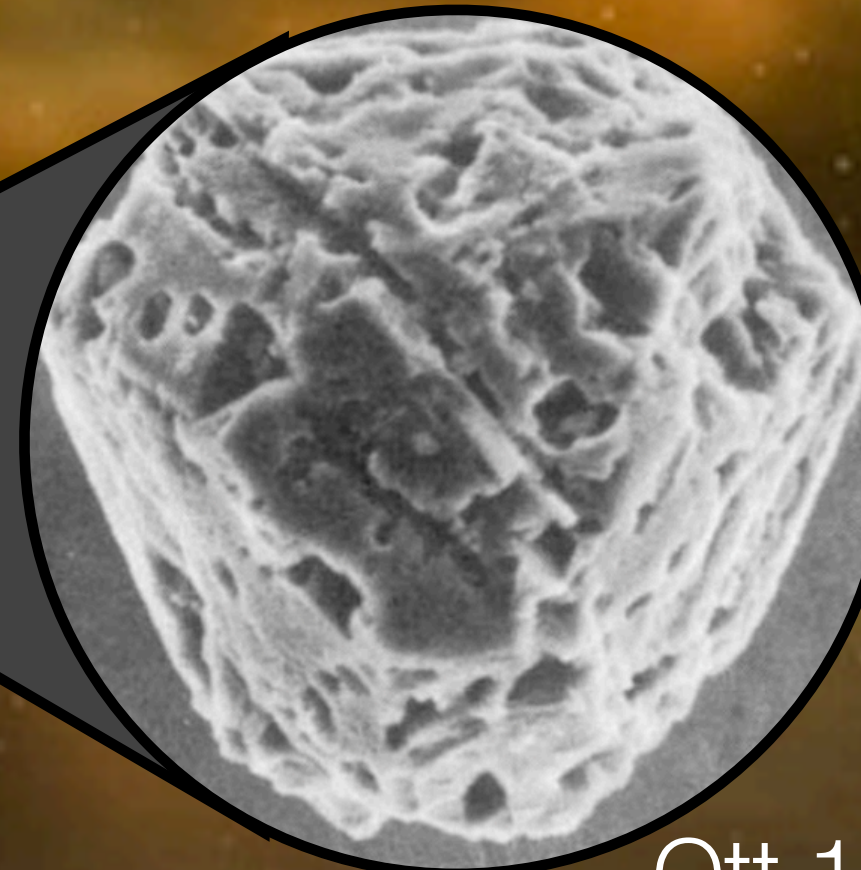
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Westphal+ 2014



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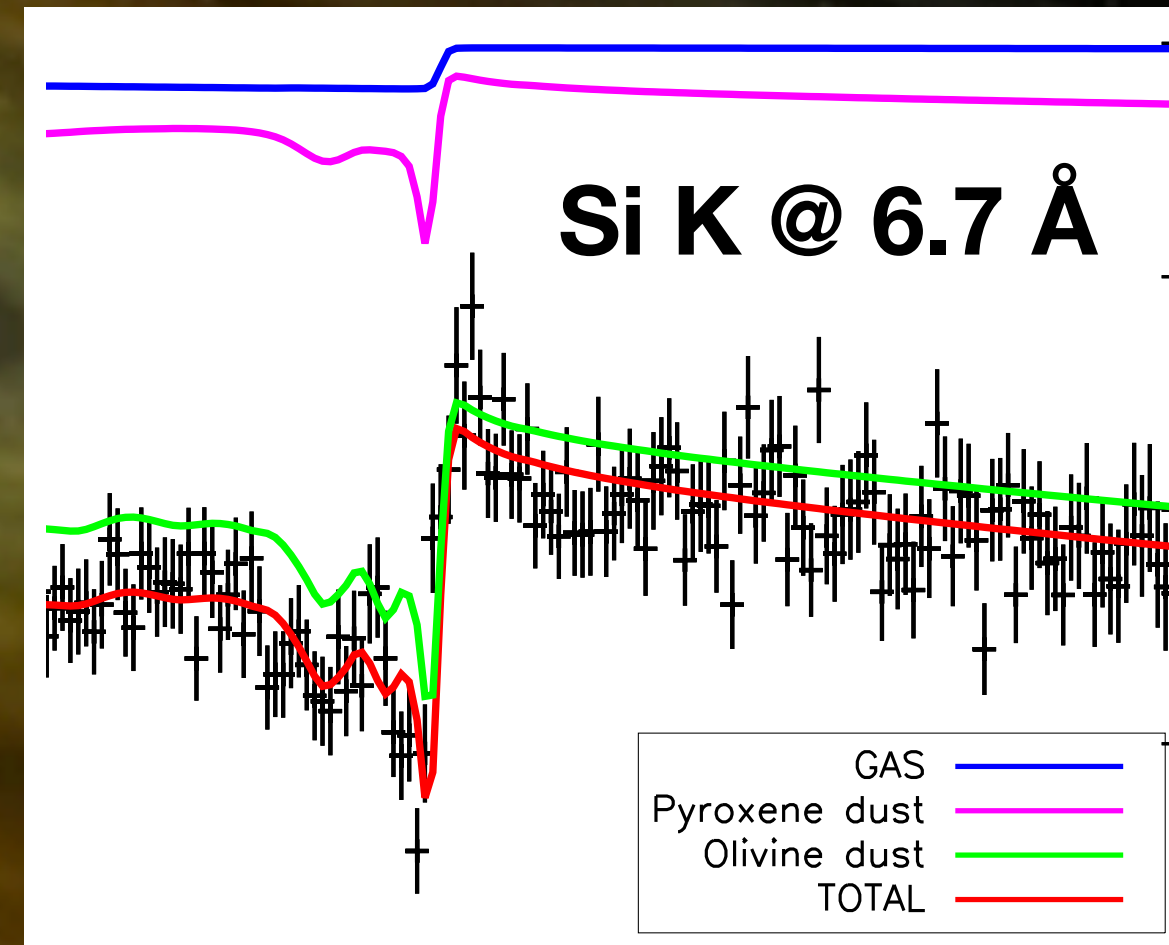
The true formation and processing sites are an open area of research.

The spectra of distant X-ray binaries probe interstellar dust in extinction

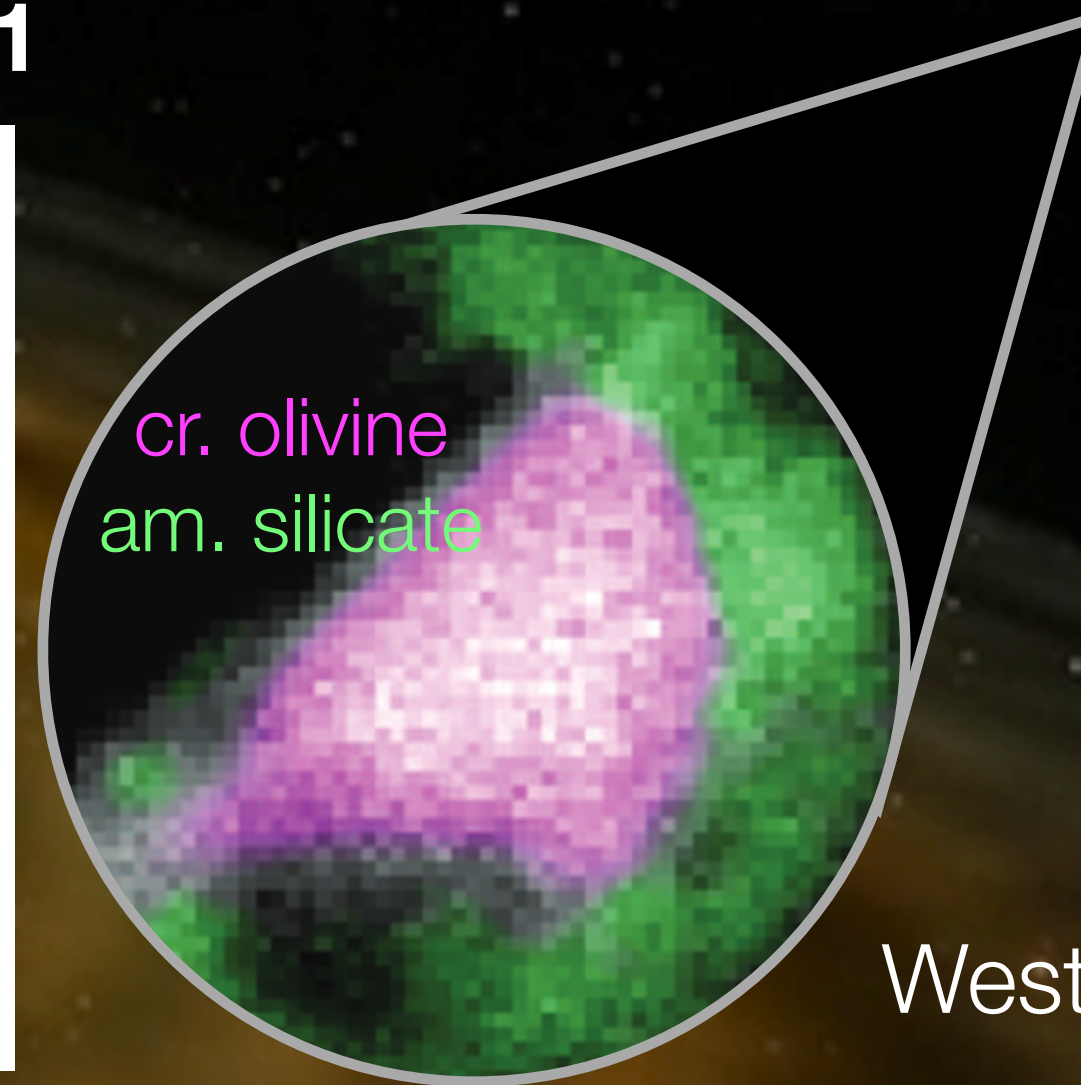
X-ray absorption spectrum of GX 5-1



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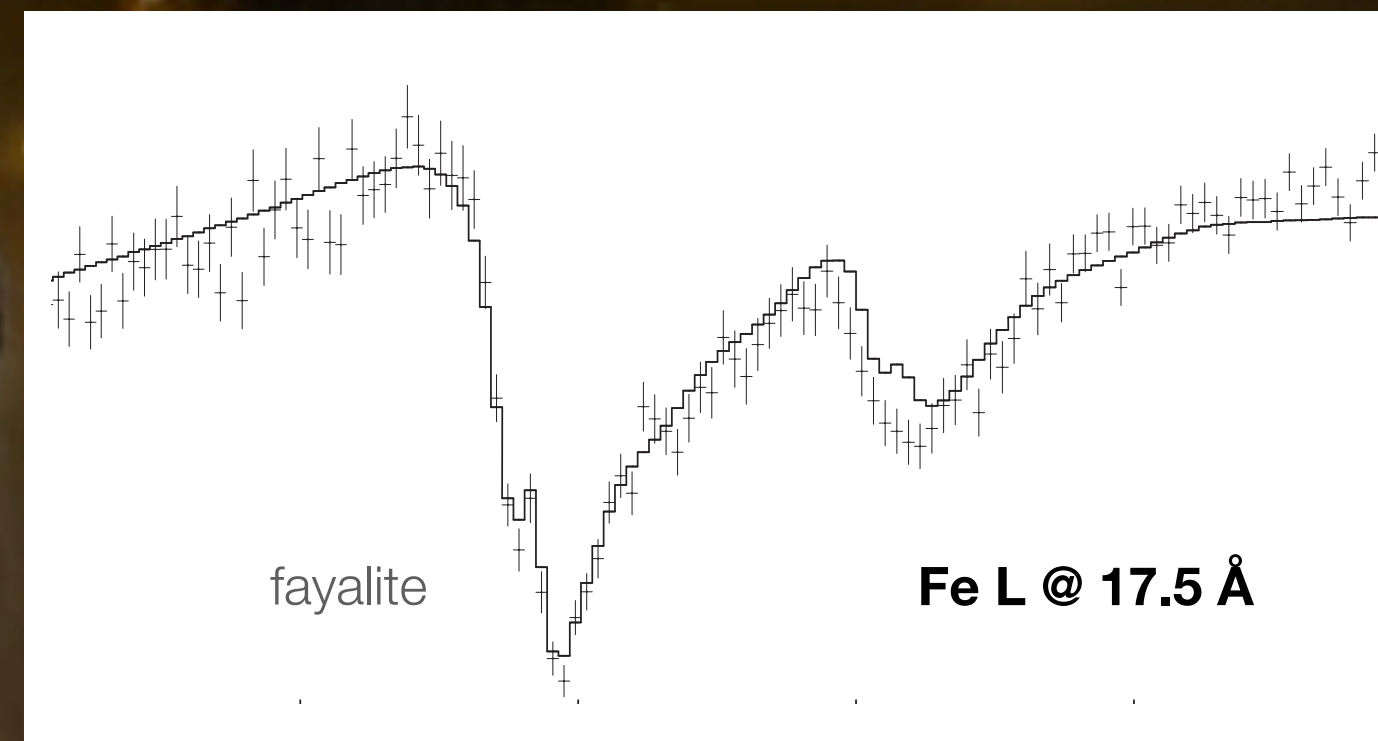


Zeegers+ 2017



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X-ray absorption spectrum of Cyg X-2



Corrales+ 2024 (see also Psaradaki+ 2023, Westphal+ 2019)

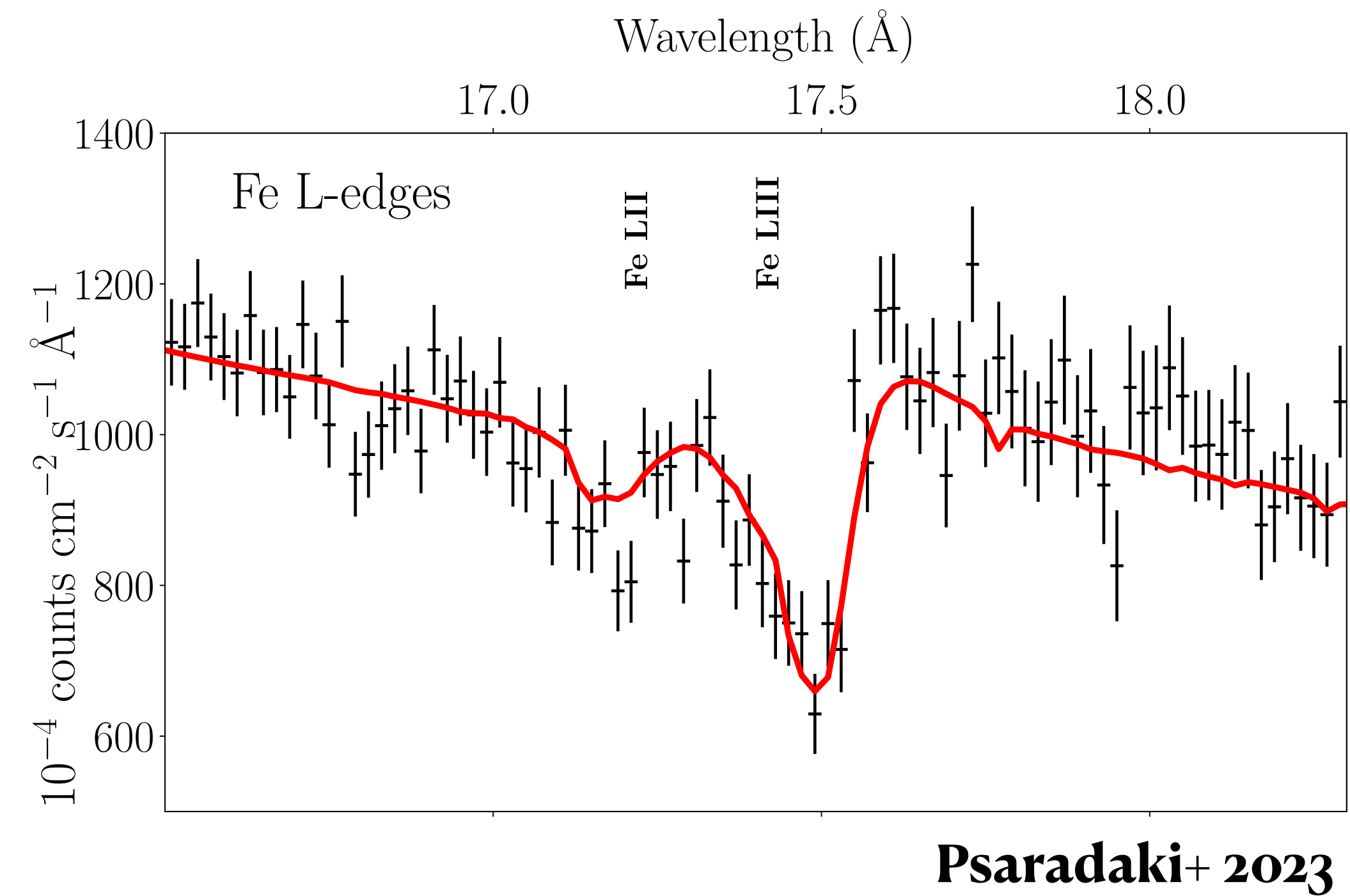
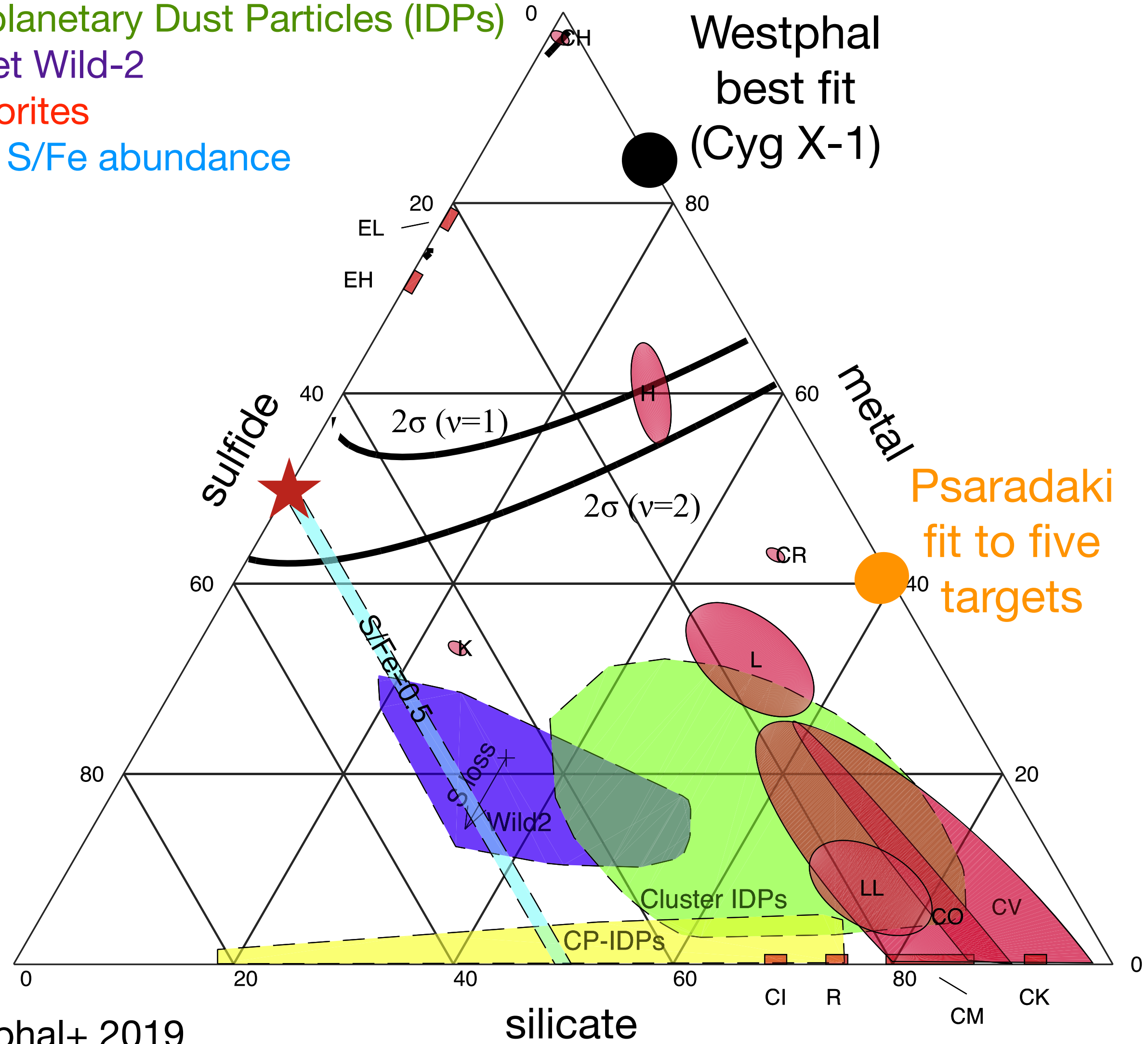
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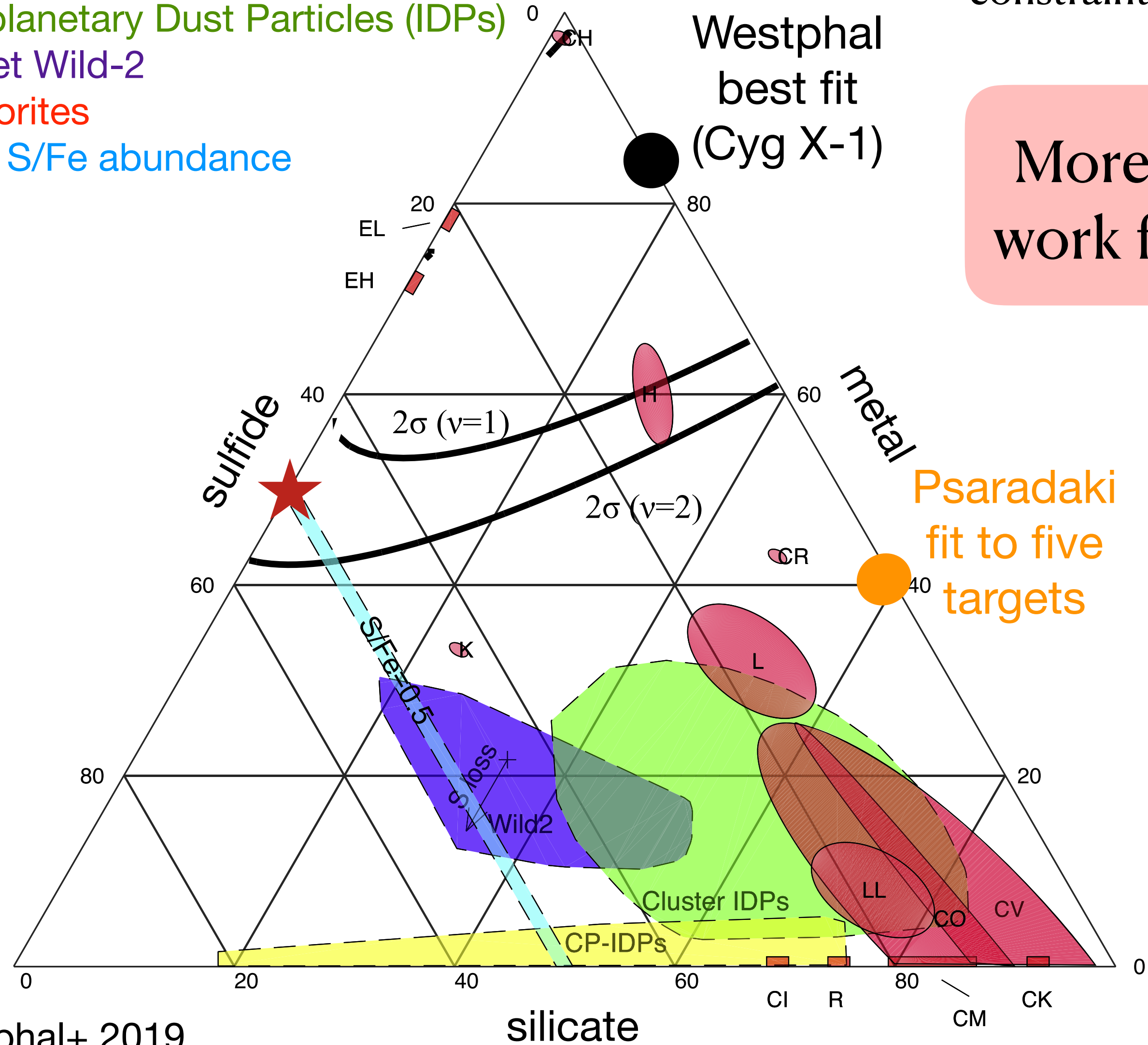
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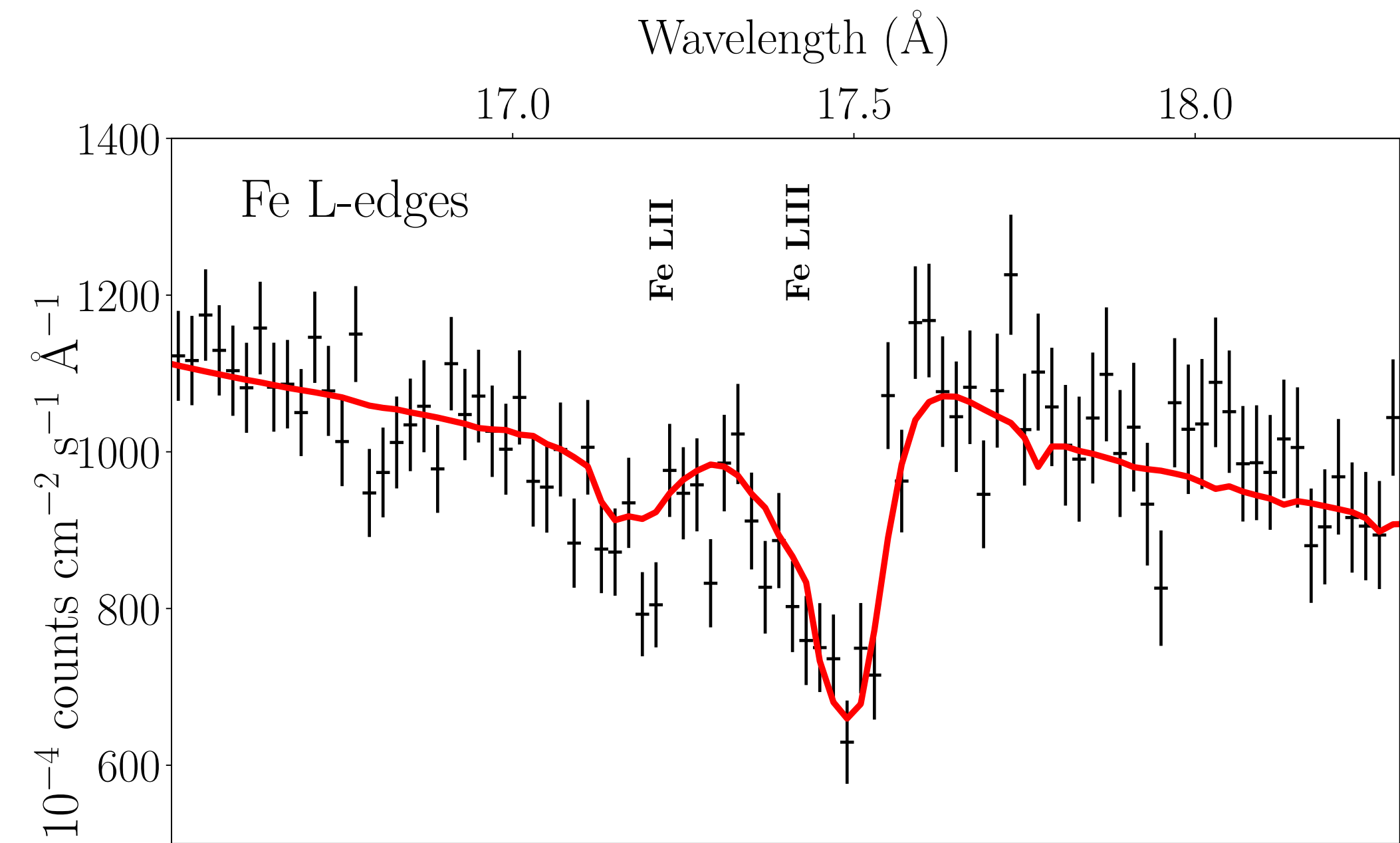
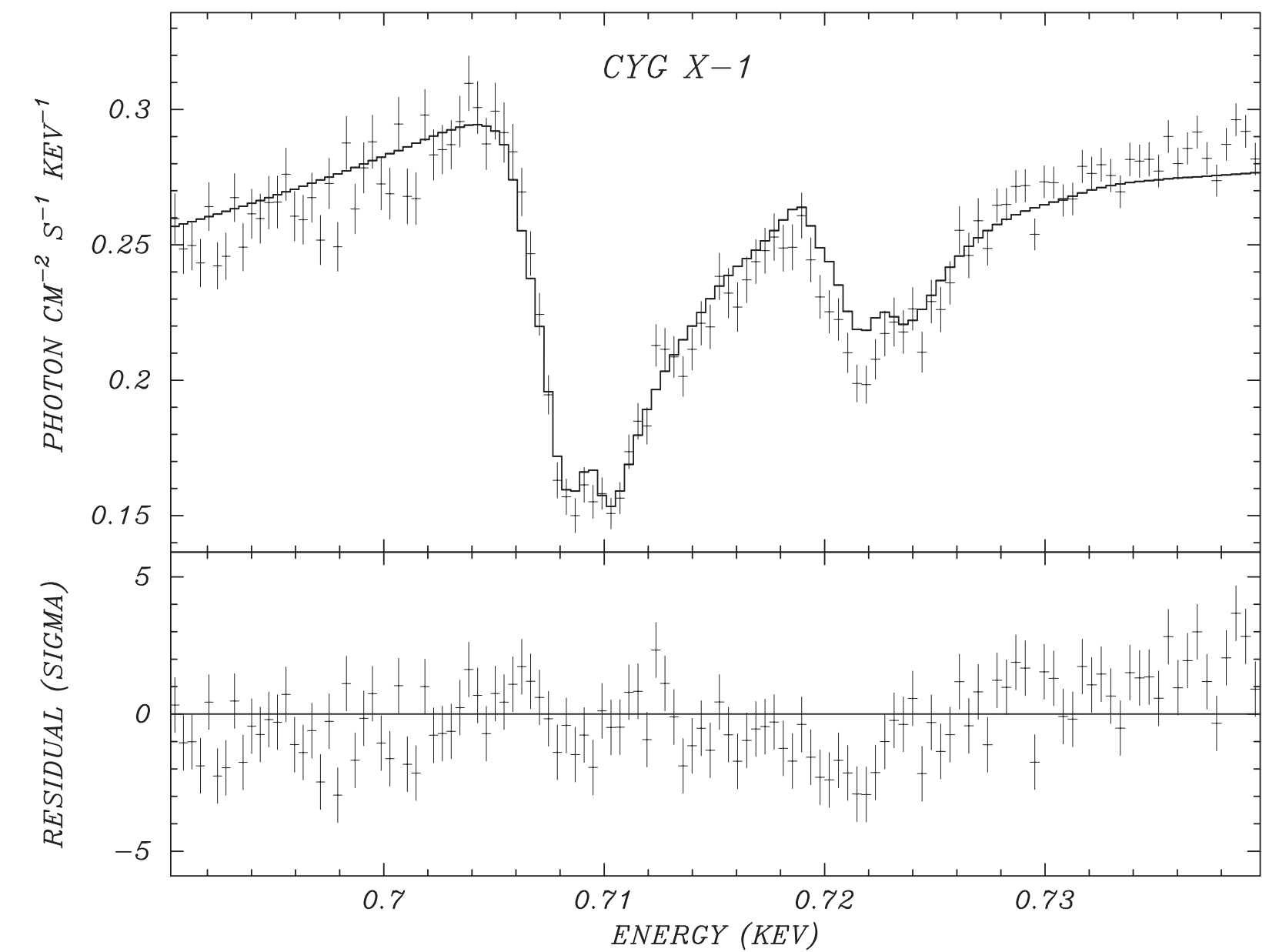
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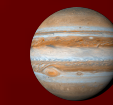
Comprehensive review of
Lee+2009 cross-sections:
Fe-oxides are the preferred
fit based on abundance
constraints (**Corrales+ 2024**)

More laboratory
work forthcoming



Psaradaki+ 2023

Stellar Activity and how it affects planets



if our Sun had a HJ
(approximately to scale)

SOHO telescope image of a CME (NASA & ESA)

HABITABLE ZONE SIZE

X-RAY
IRRADIANCE

RELATIVE
ABUNDANCE

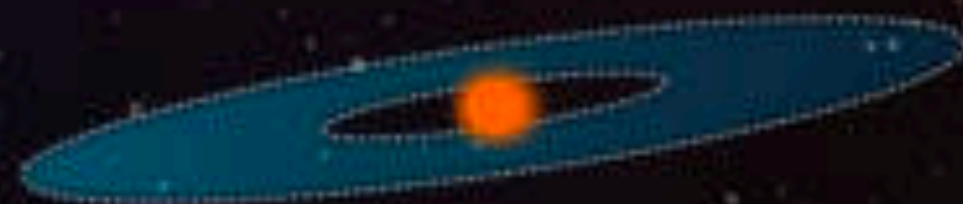
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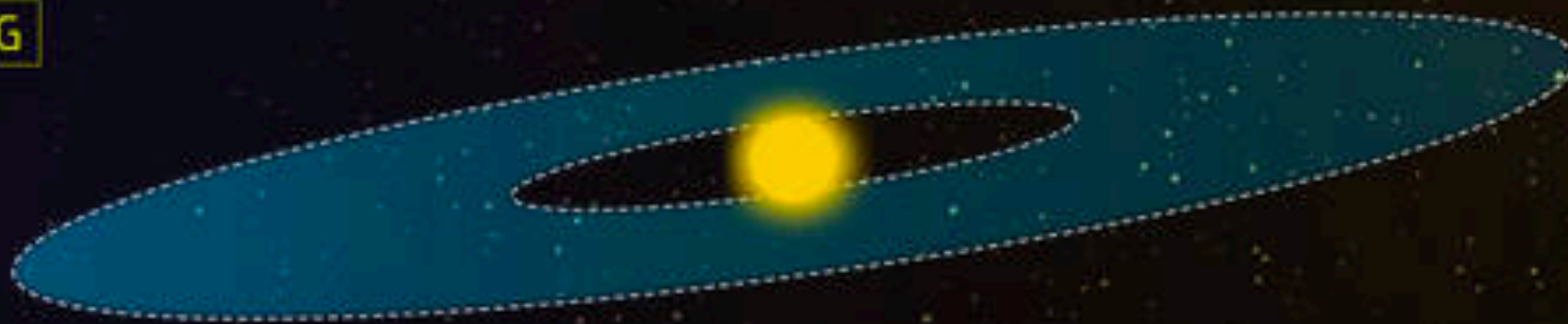
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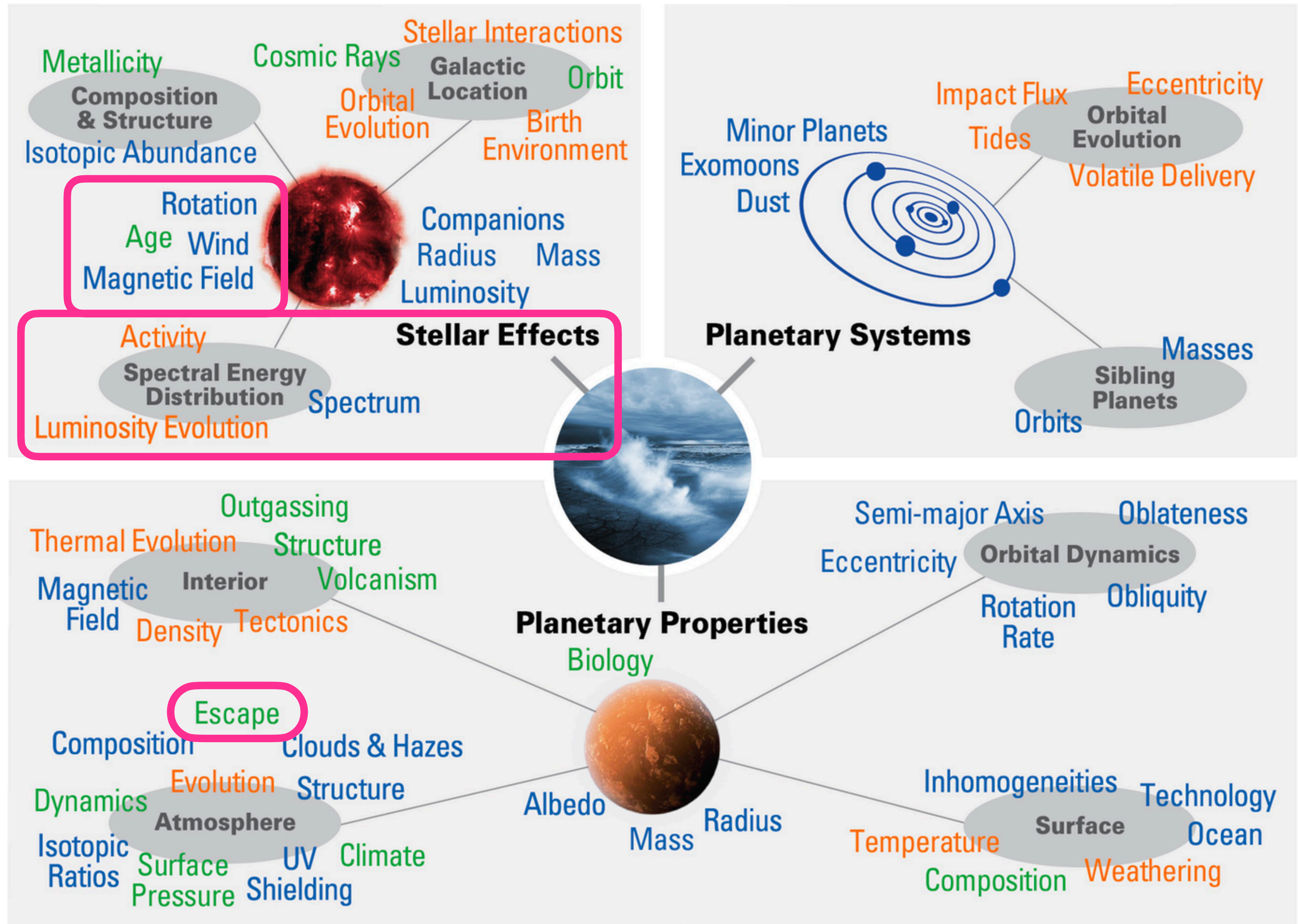
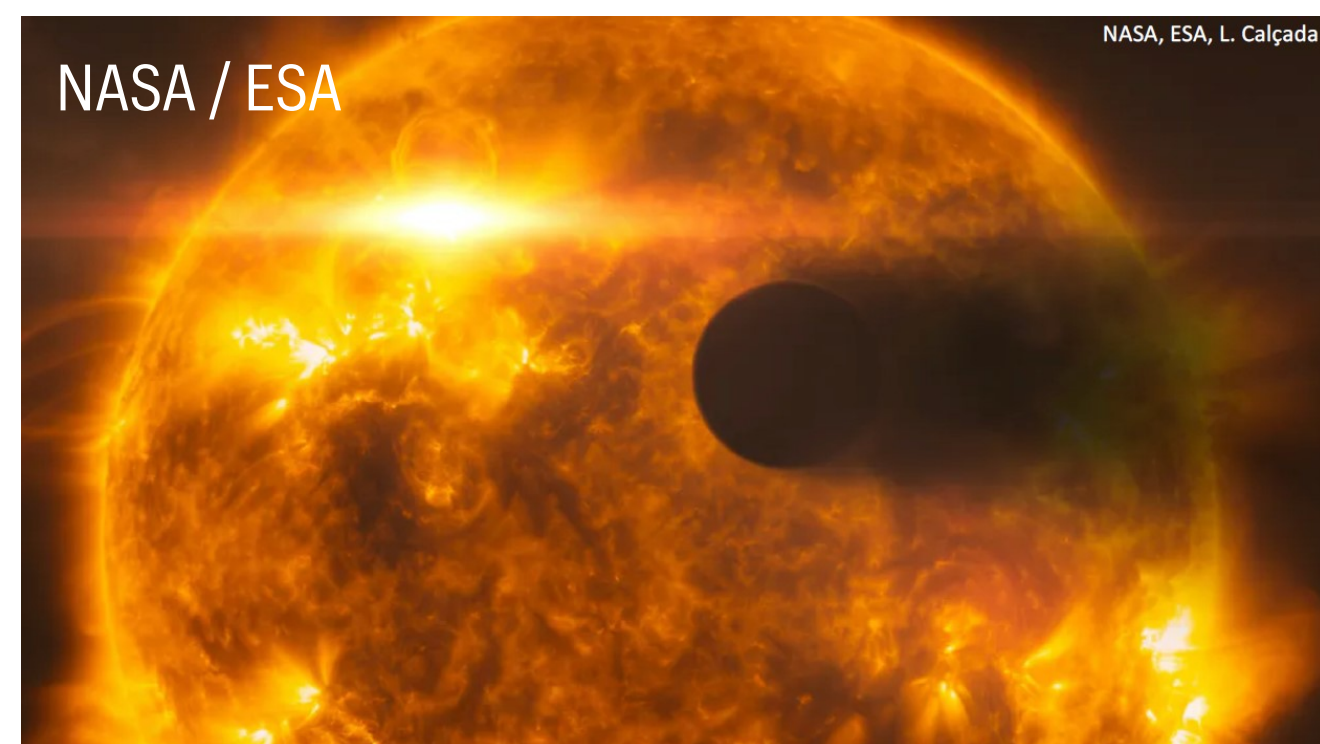
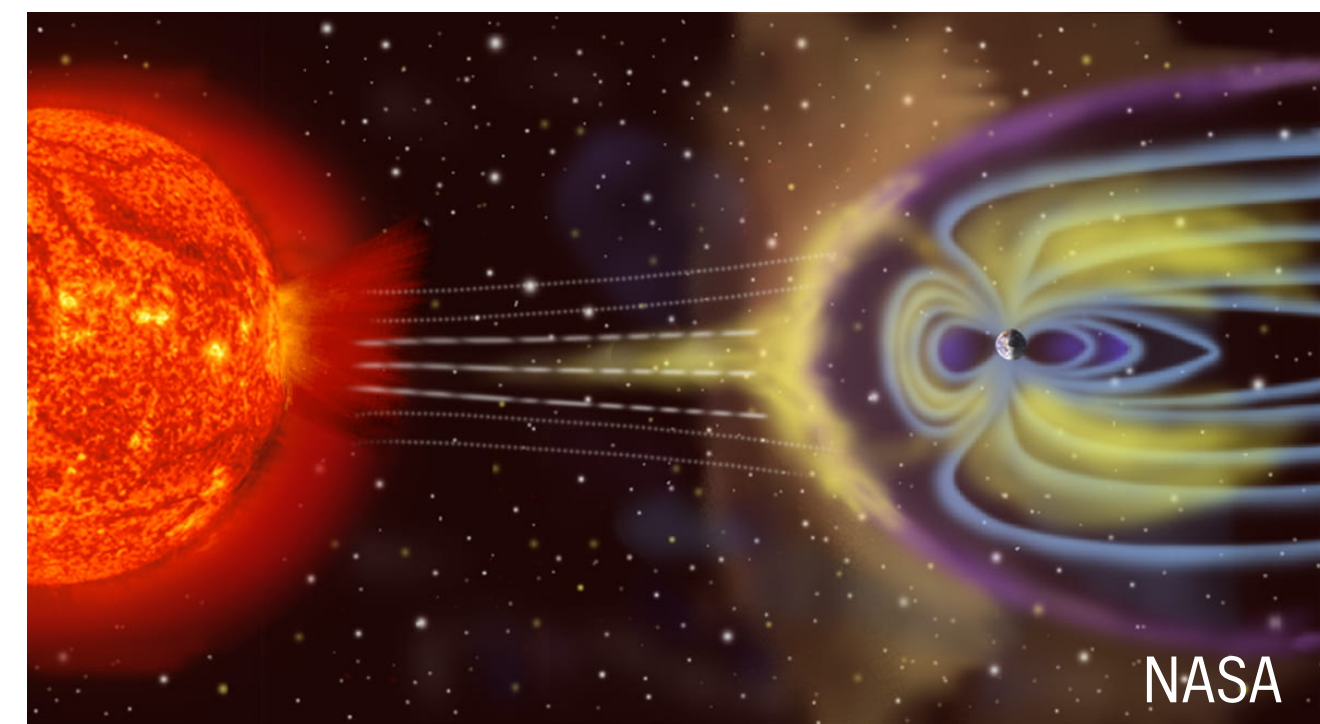
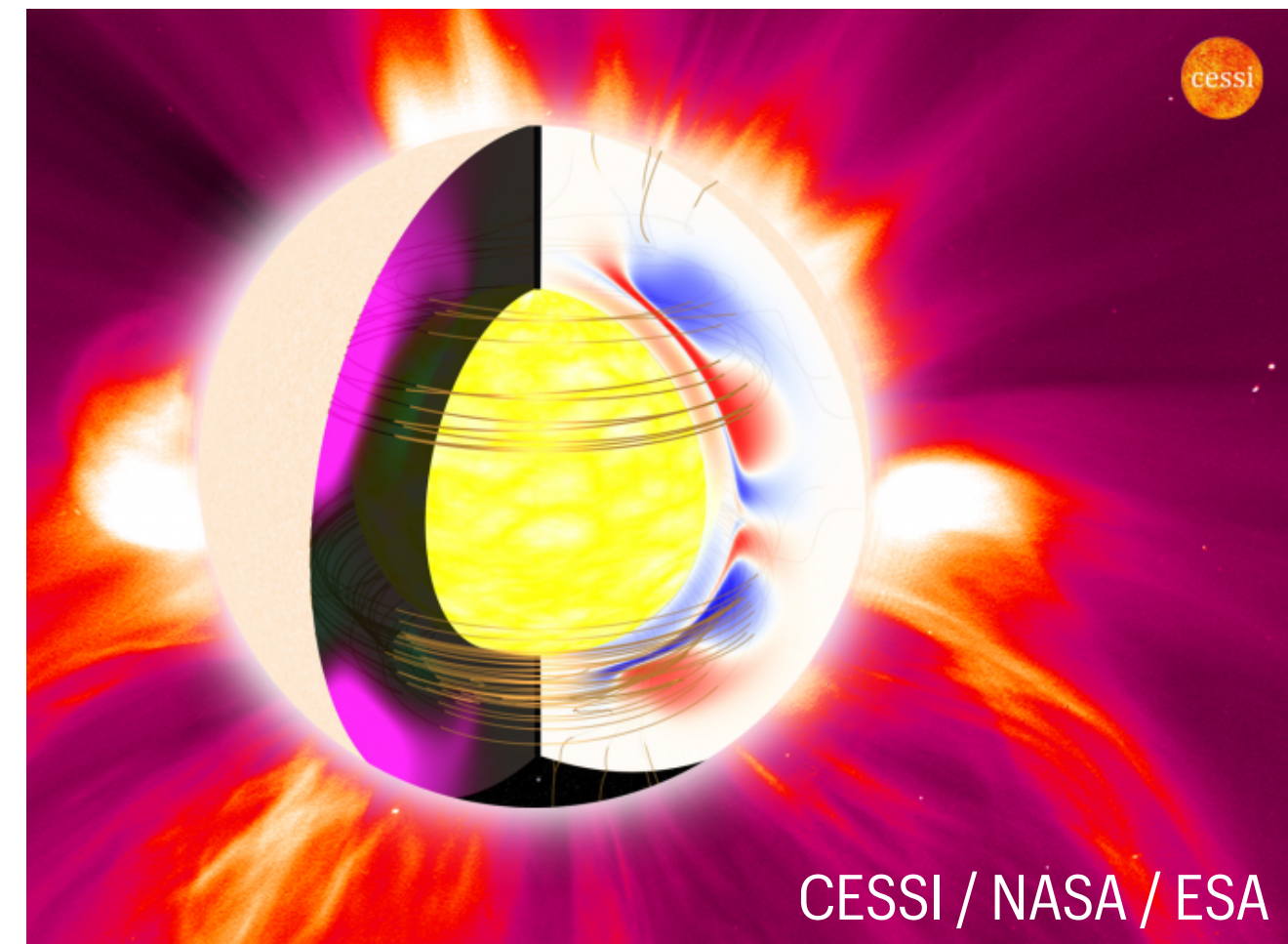
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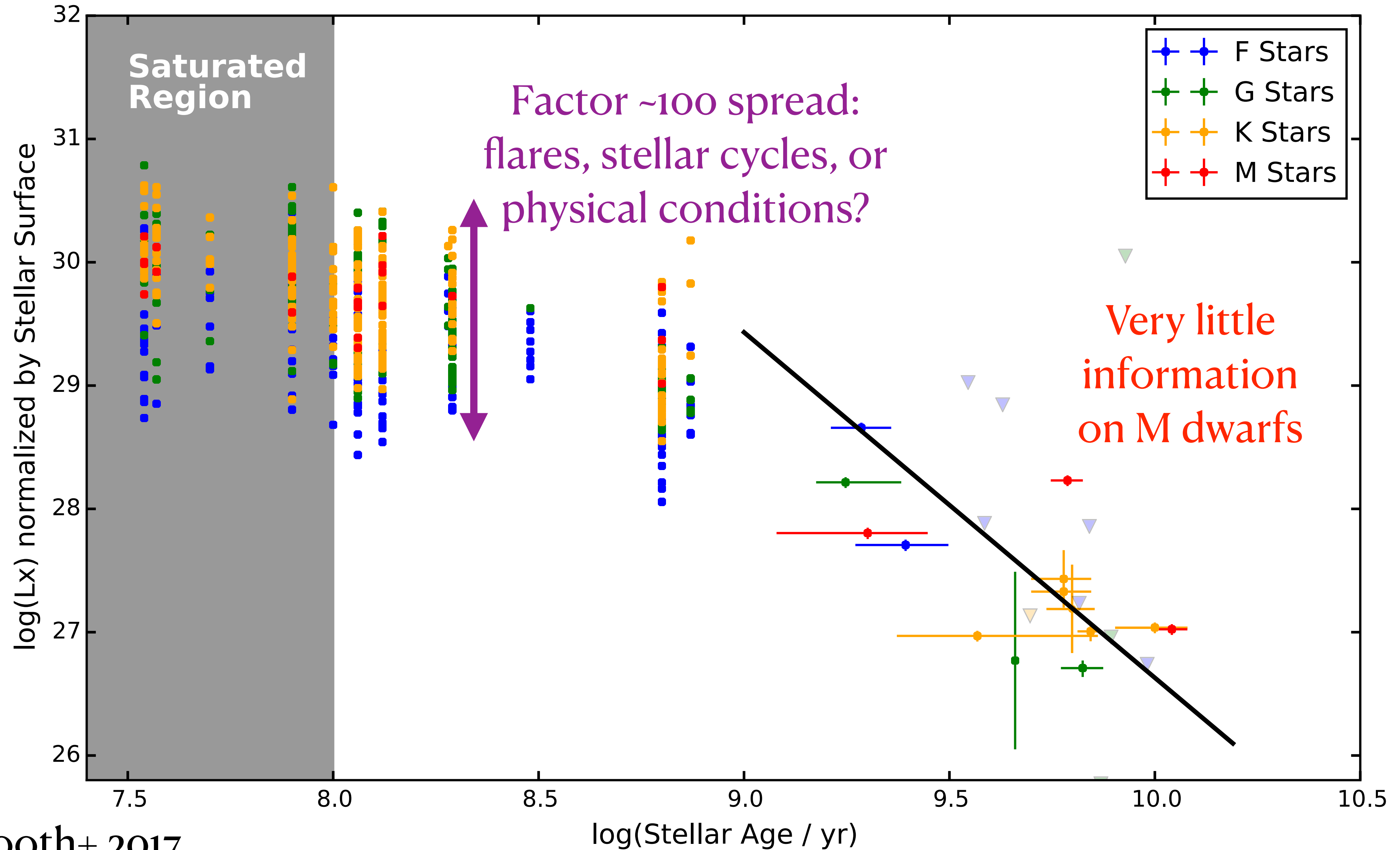
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Majority of habitable worlds are subject to more high energy irradiation and stellar activity

Factors Affecting Exoplanet Habitability - Meadows & Barnes (2018)

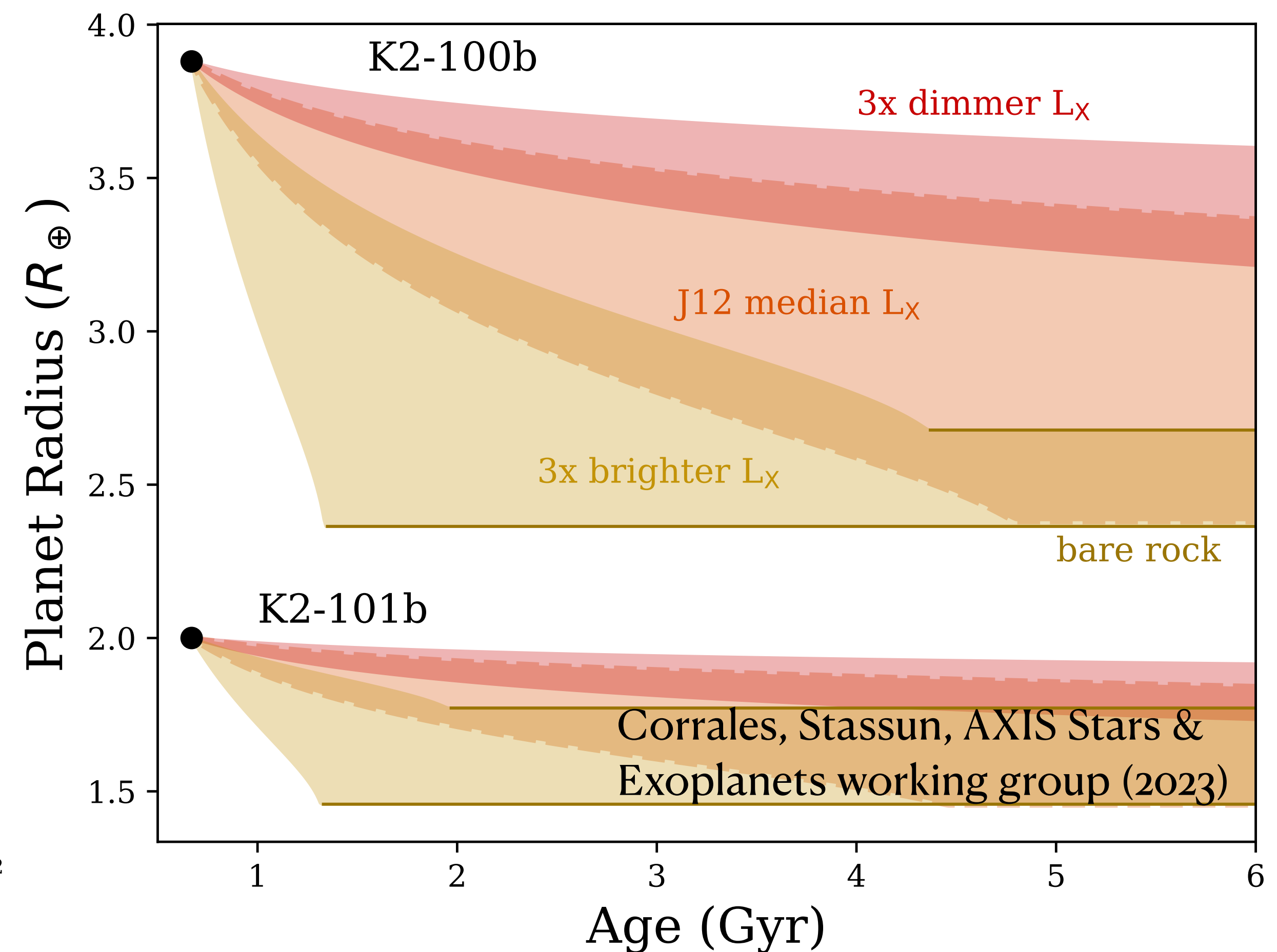
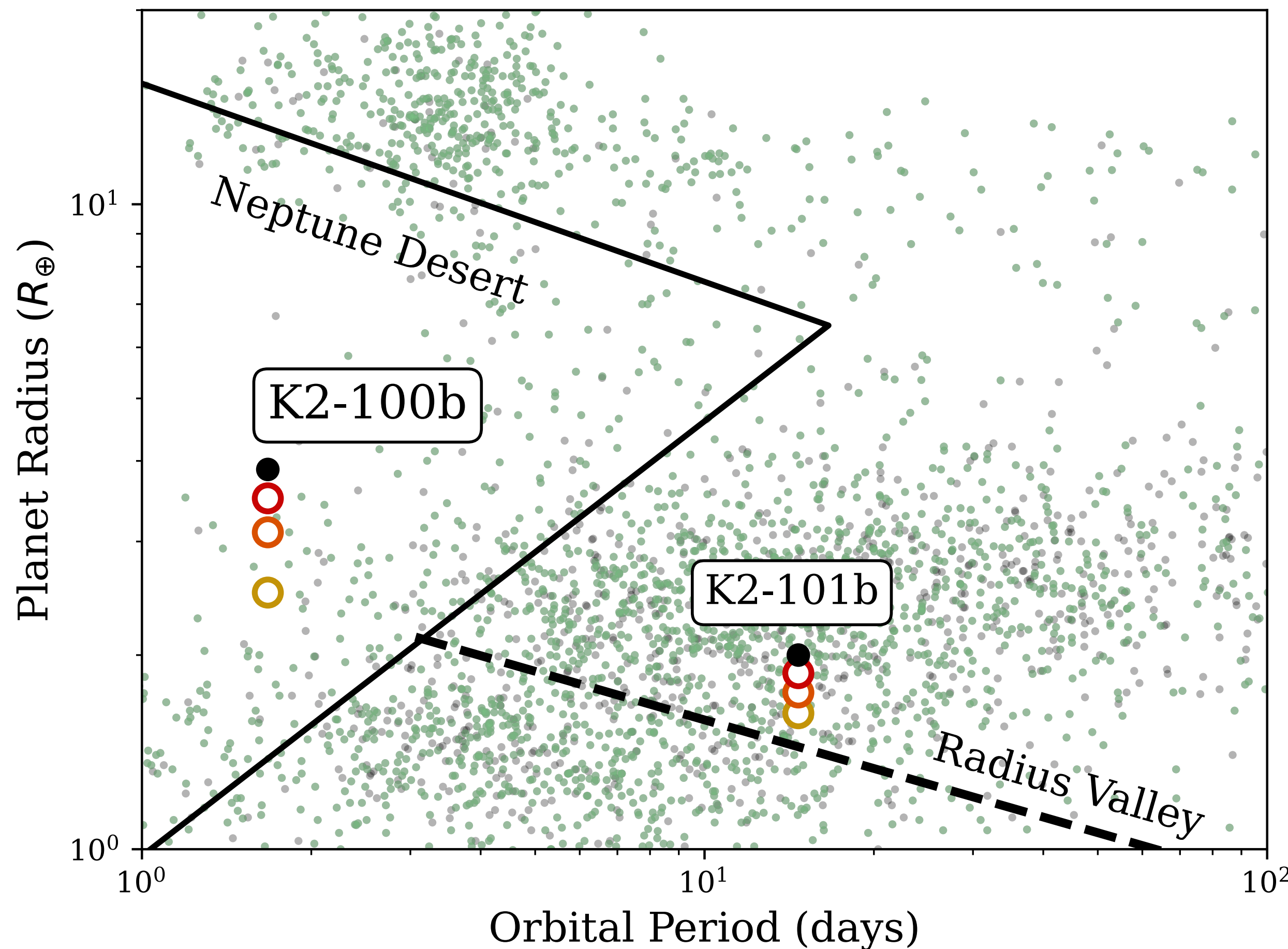


How does stellar activity fade with time?



XUV driven atmospheric escape can remove a planet's gas envelope

What are the progenitors of super-Earths or sub-Neptunes? How quickly do they evolve?



Uncertainty in activity-age relations leads to different outcomes for individual systems.

Predicting the future of planetary systems

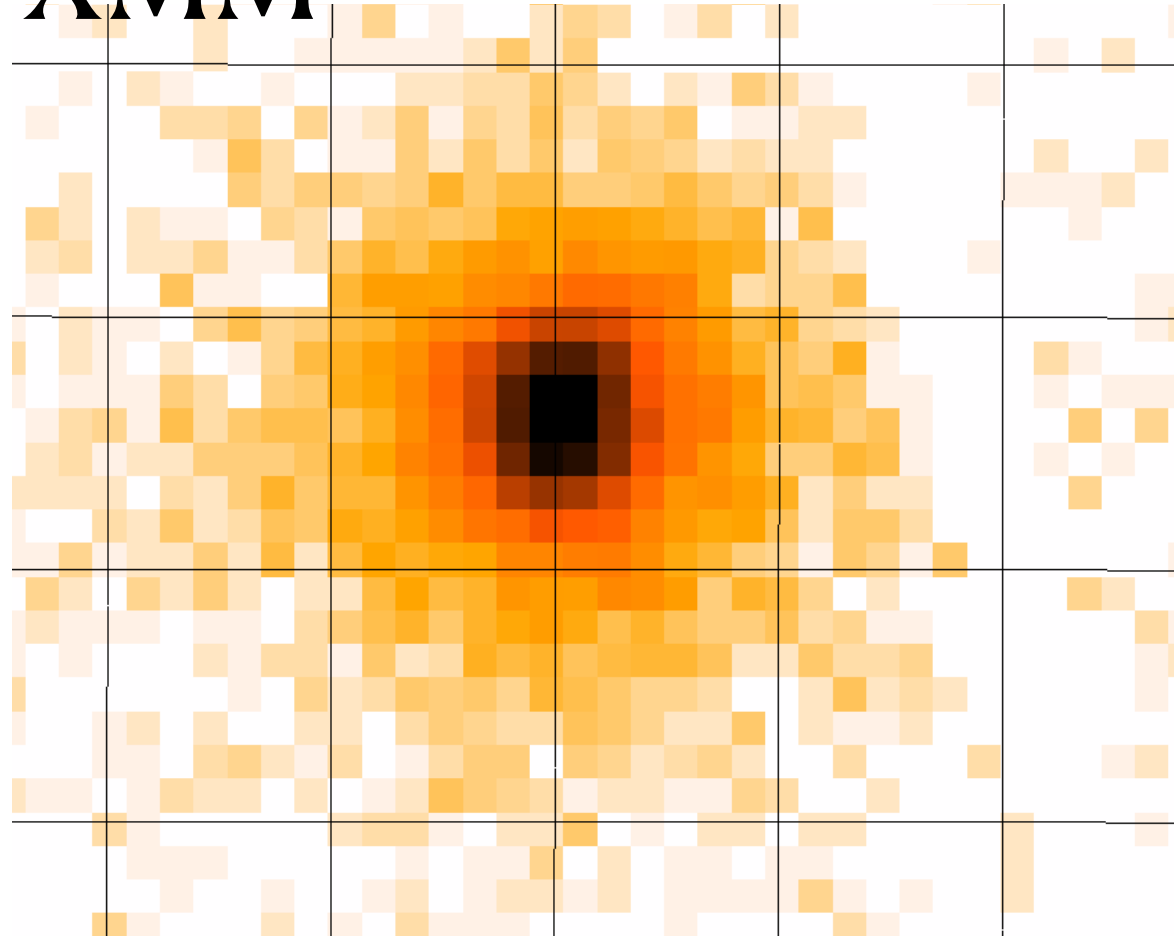


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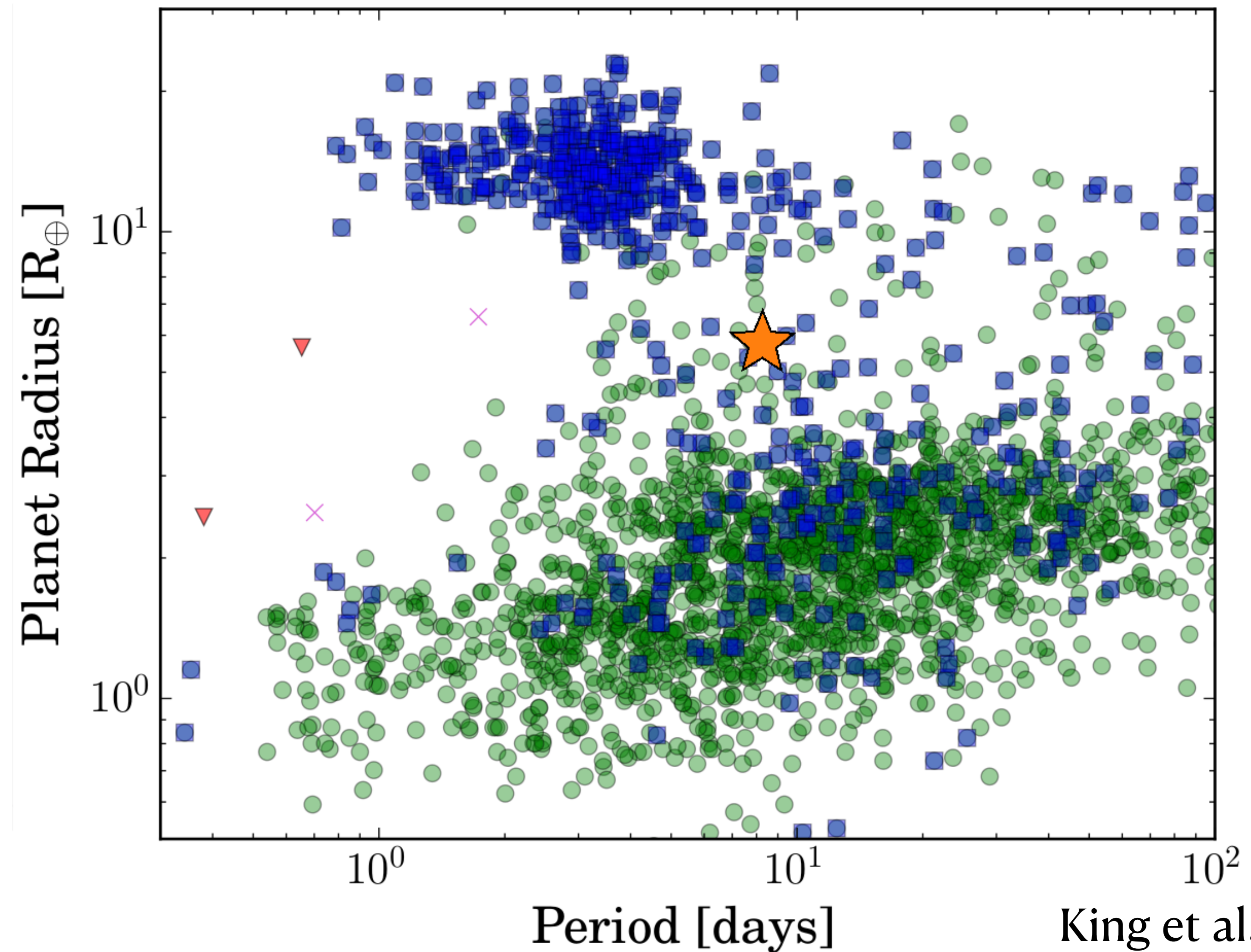
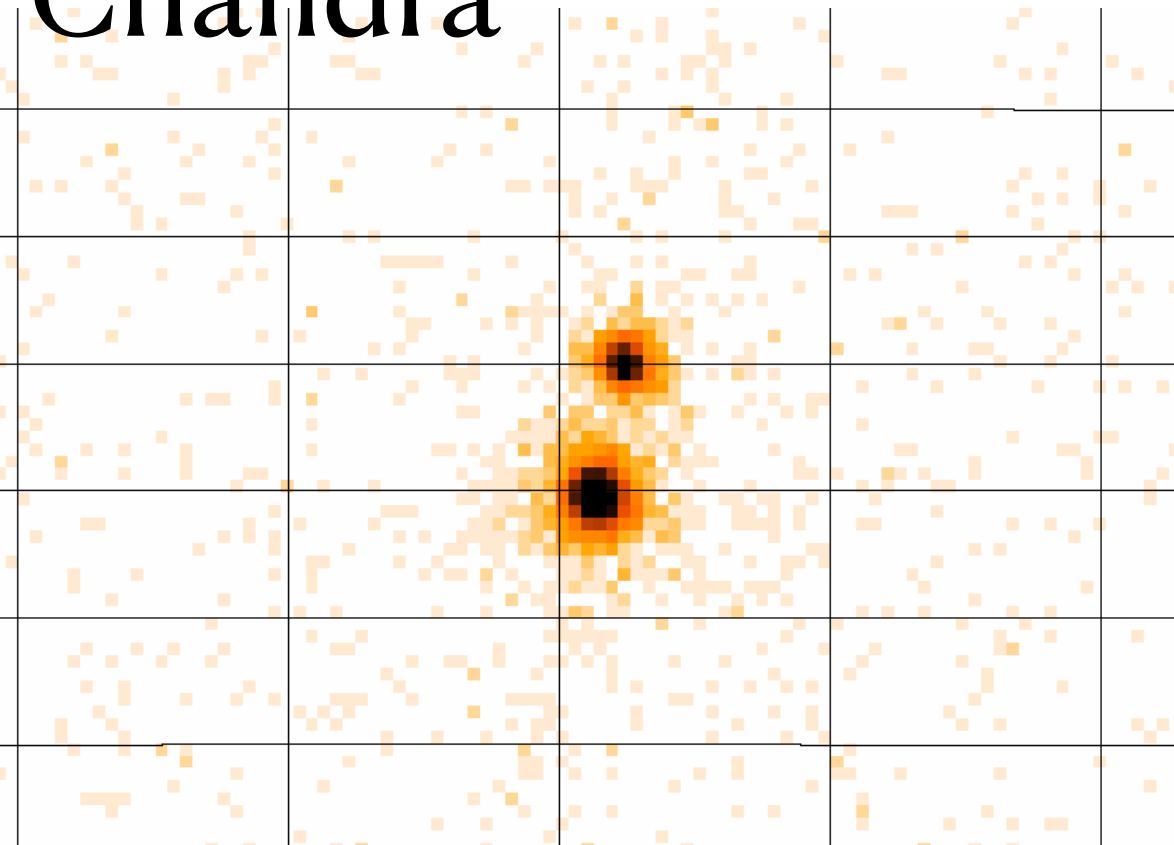
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45 Myr old, in a binary star-system, size between Neptune and Saturn

XMM



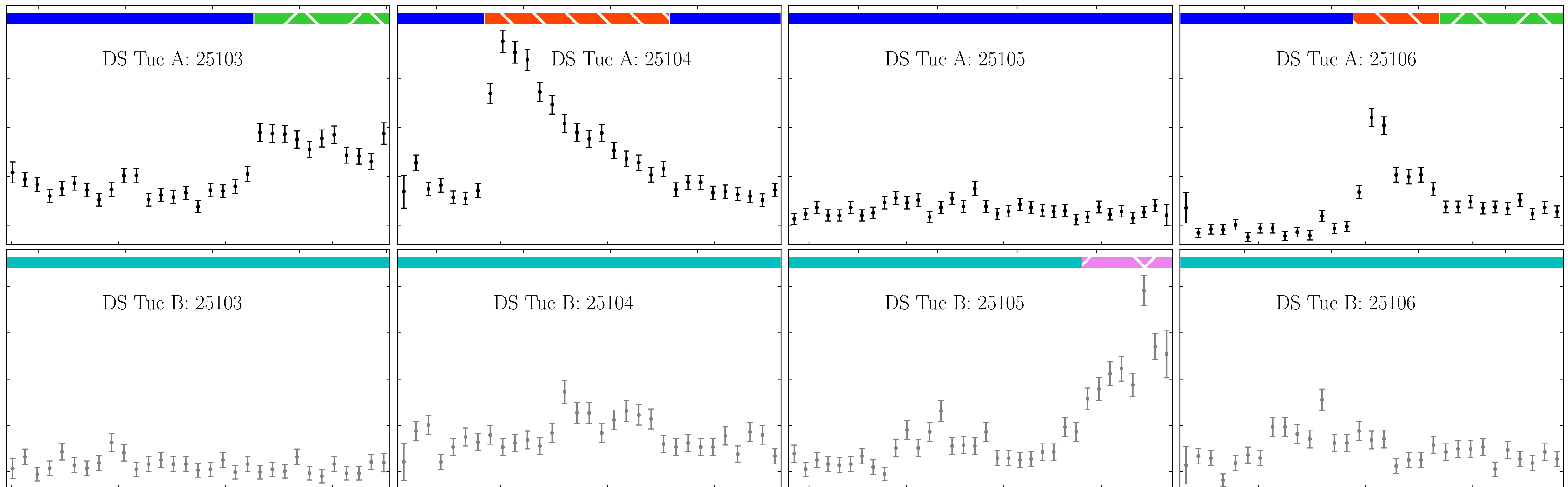
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King et al. (in review)

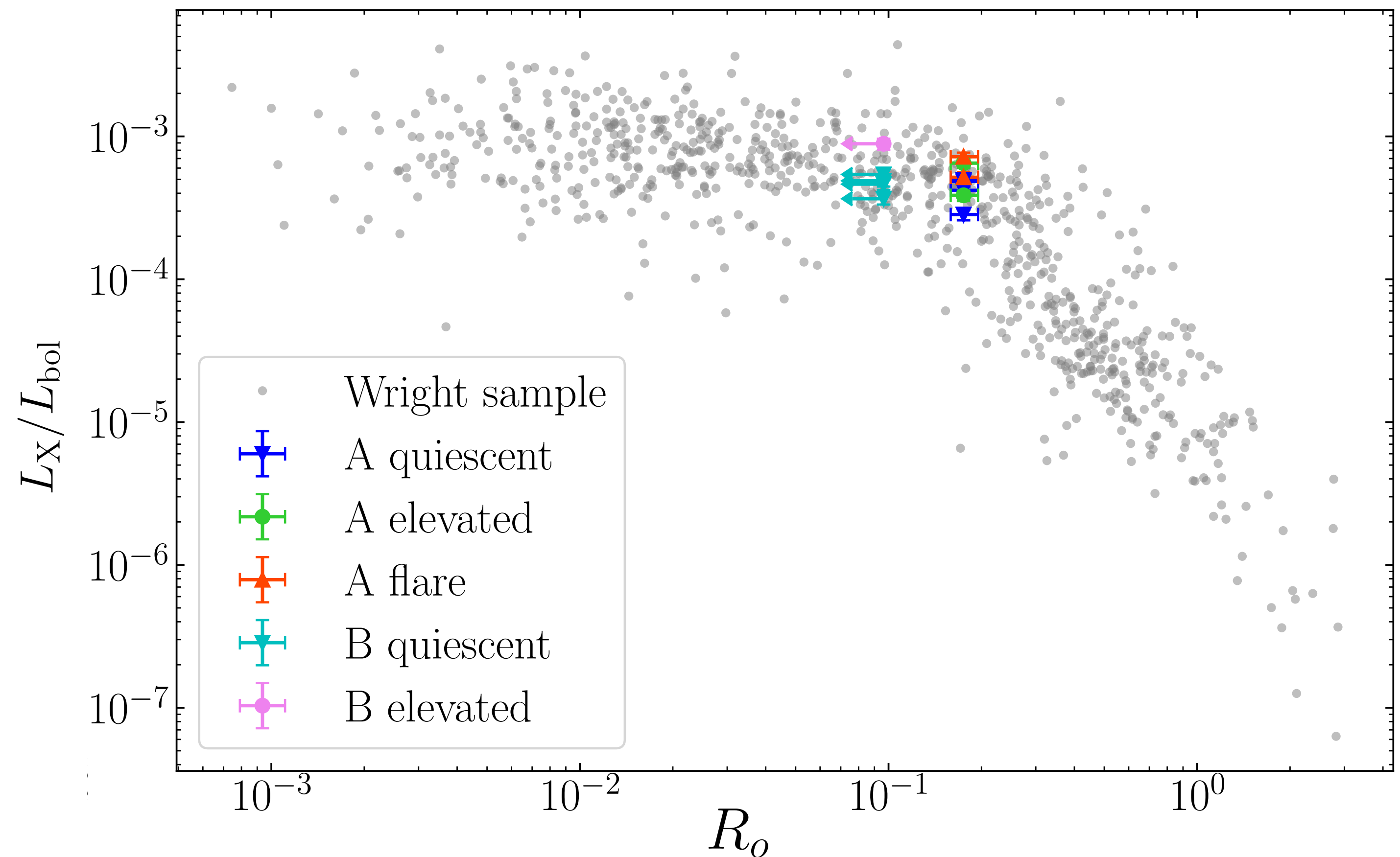
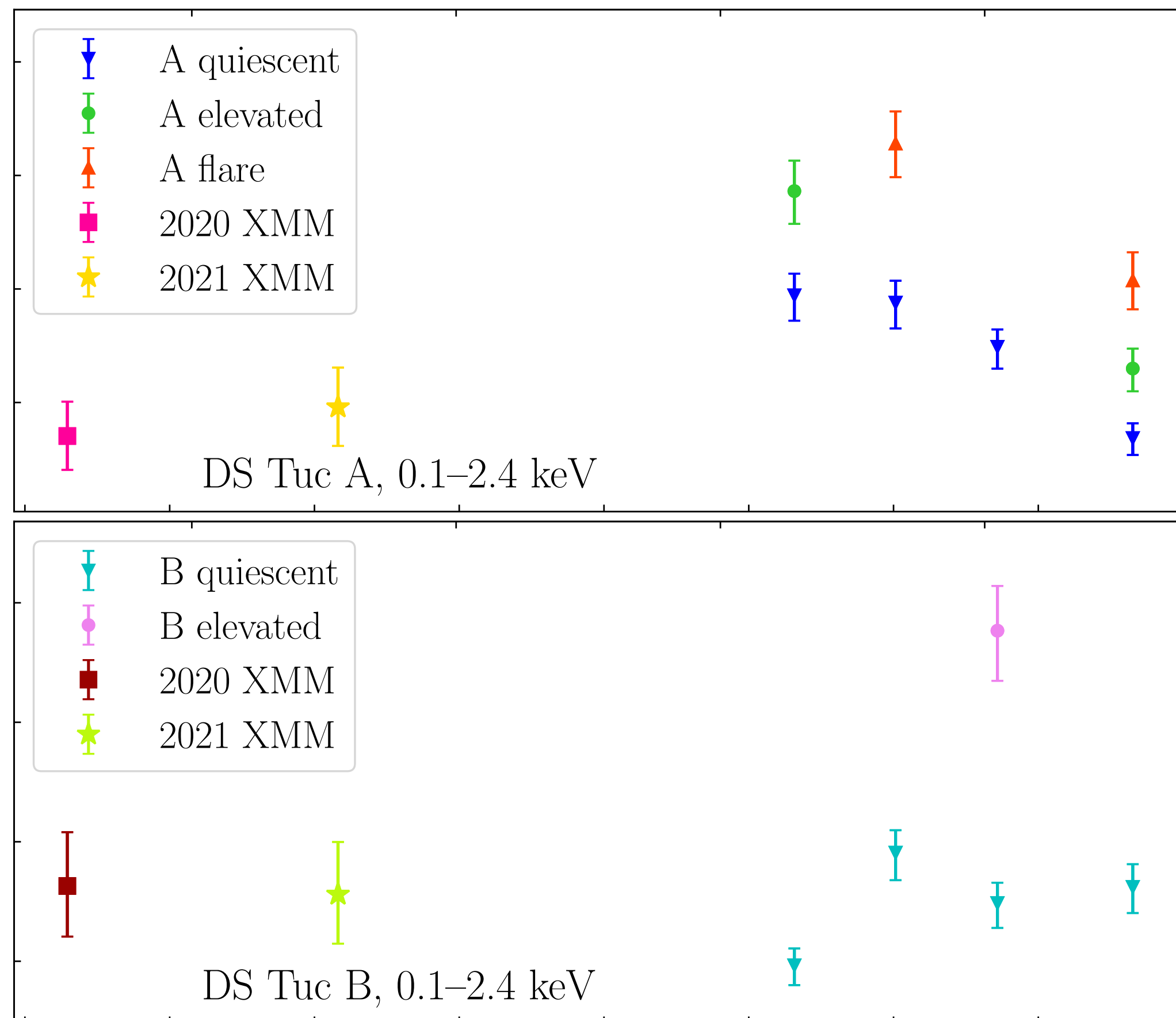
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A year-long Cycle 22 campaign captured flares and periods of elevated X-ray brightness

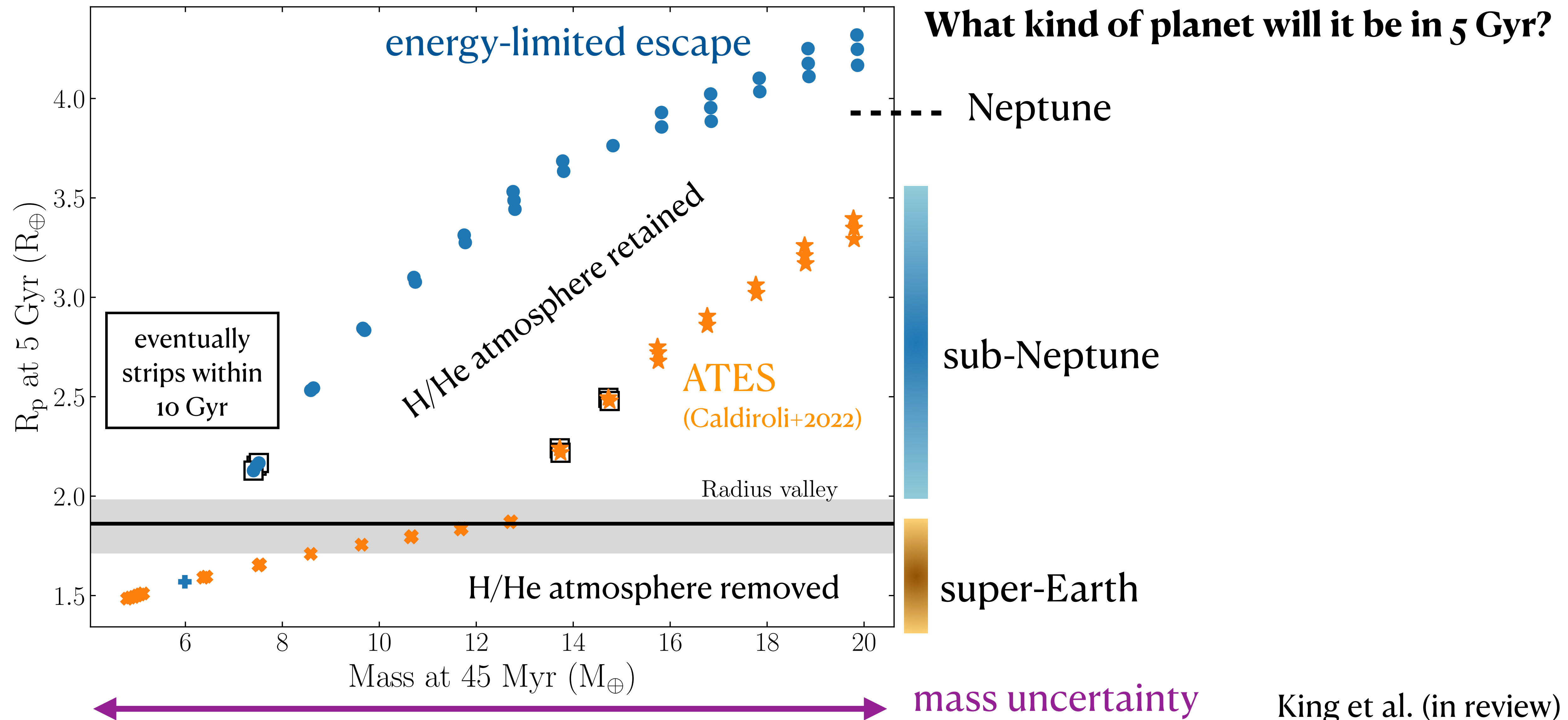


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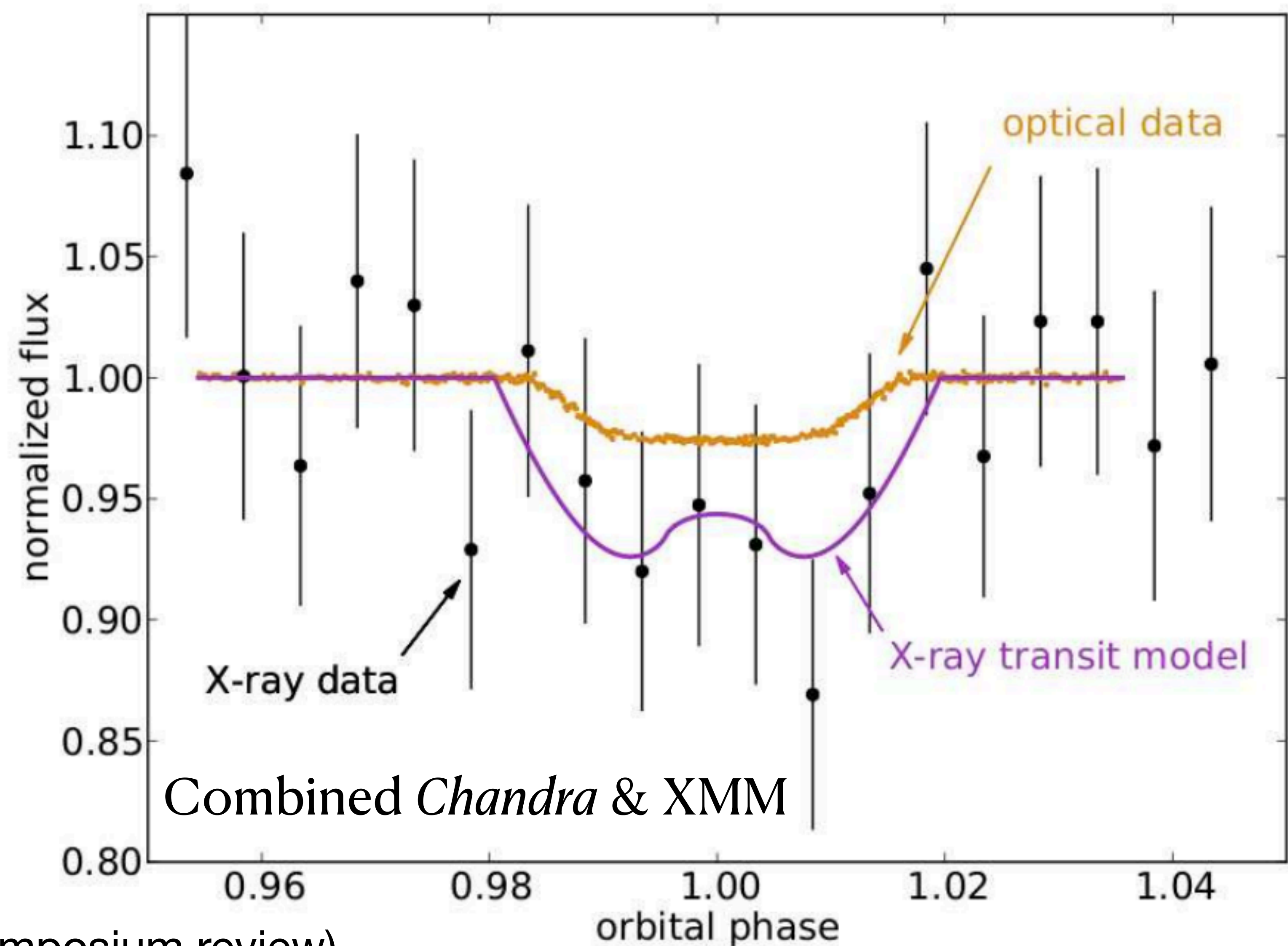
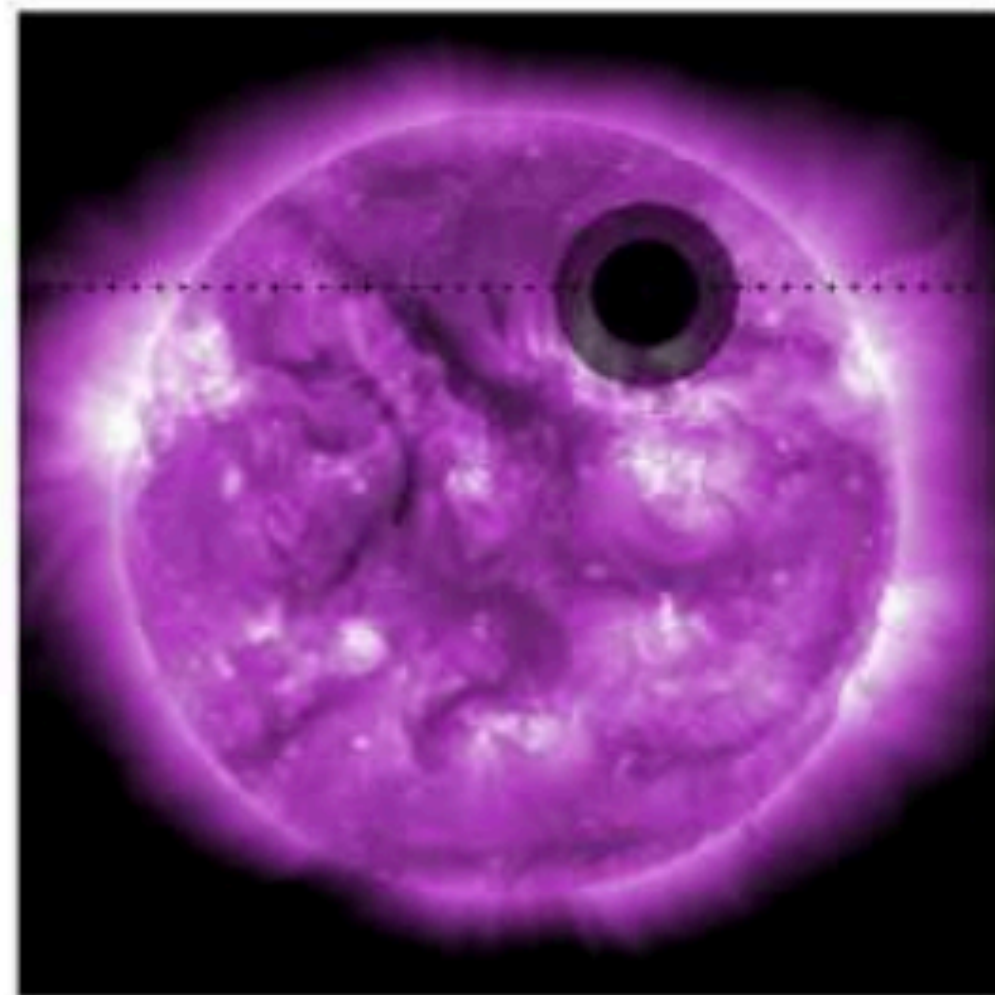
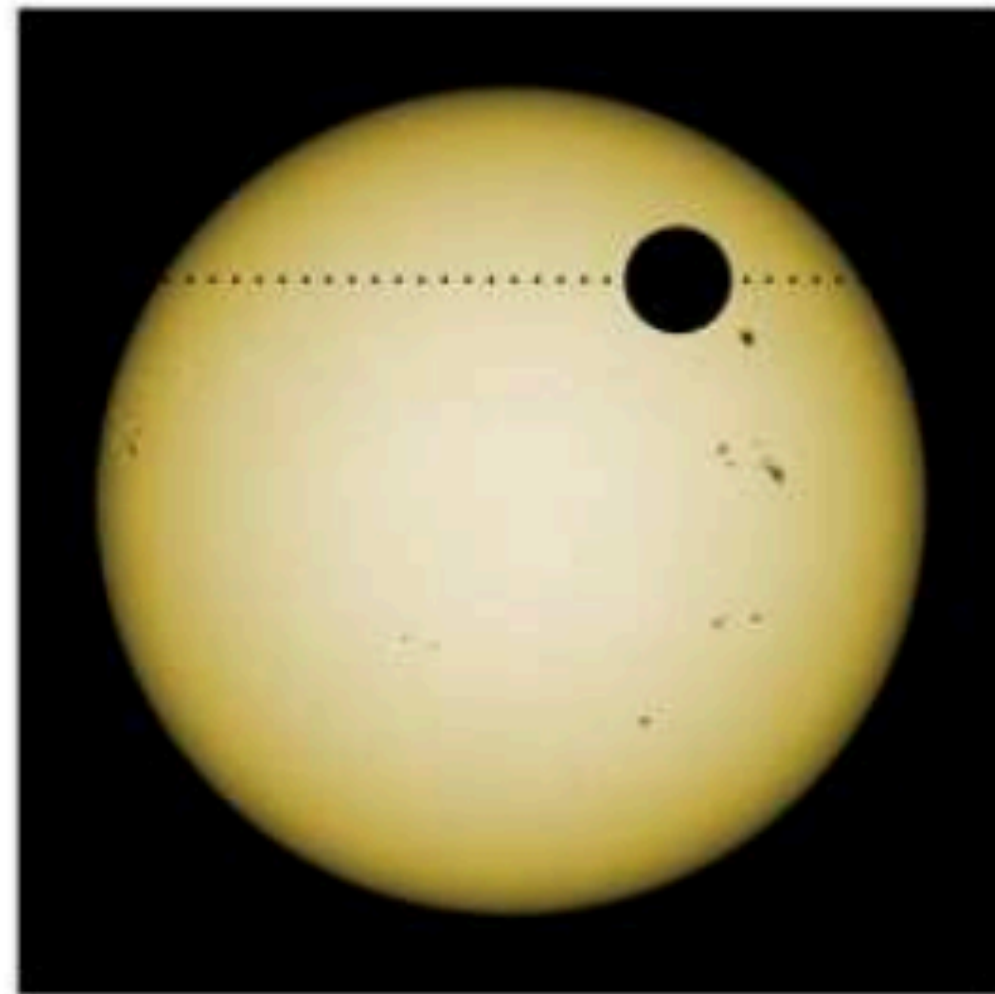
Potential hints at a stellar cycle — in context with age-activity relations



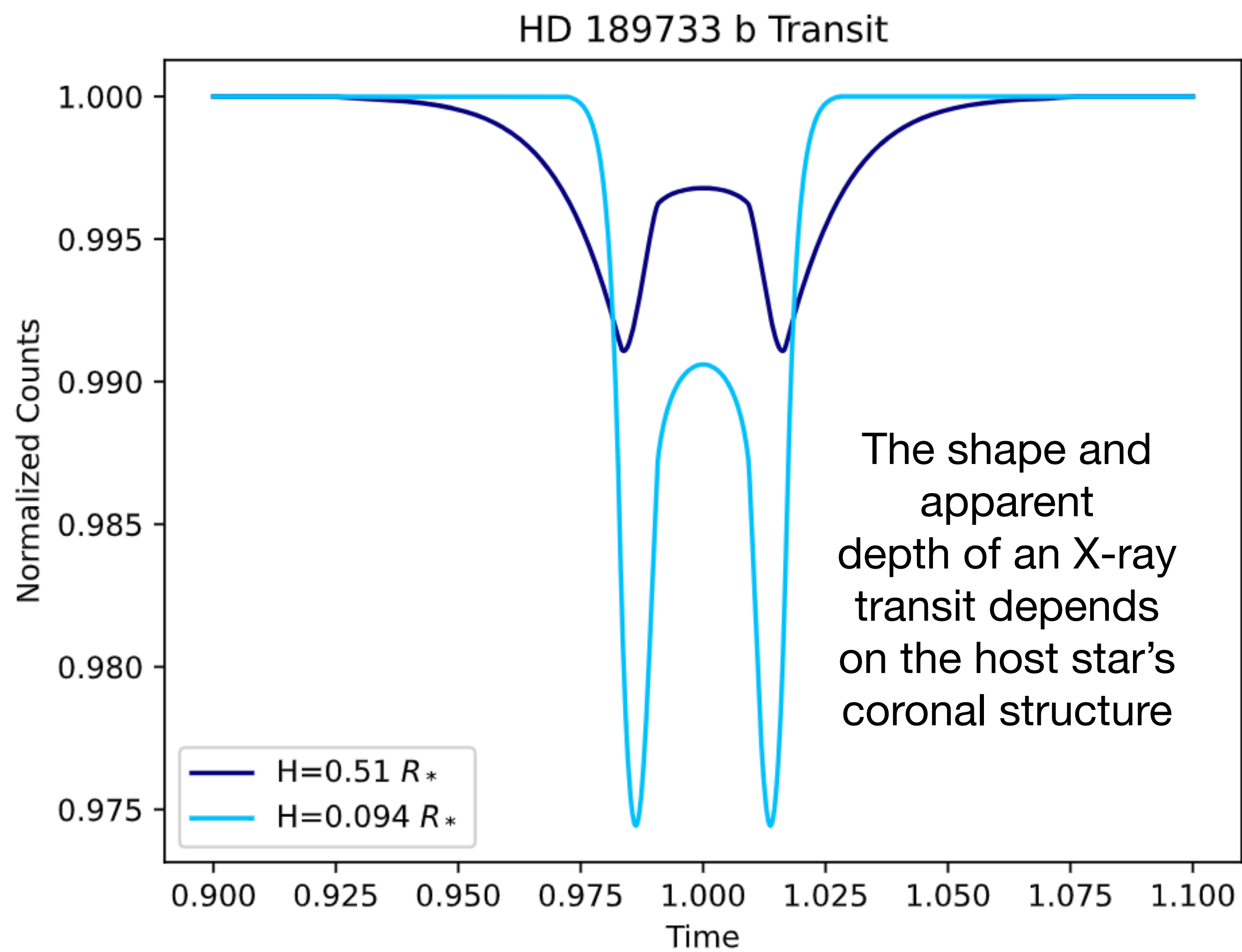
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Simulated <i>NewAthena</i> observing campaign				
Planet	$1.5 \times R_p$	Sig (σ)	$2 \times R_p$	Sig (σ)
HD 189733 b	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4
HIP 65 A b	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4
WASP-93 b ^r	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4
AU Mic b	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4
WASP-140 b	6.3×10^{-4}	3.4	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4
WASP-135 b ^a	2.7×10^{-3}	3.0	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4
TOI-620 b ^r	0.03	2.1	1.6×10^{-4}	3.8
HIP 67522 b	1.9×10^{-3}	3.1	$< 10^{-5}$	≥ 4.4
WASP-80 b	0.01	2.5	2.7×10^{-5}	4.2
DS Tuc A b	0.02	2.3	1.2×10^{-4}	3.9
WASP-180 A b	0.02	2.4	8.7×10^{-5}	3.9
WASP-77 A b	0.07	1.8	0.02	2.2
WASP-43 b	0.08	1.8	2.8×10^{-3}	3.0
WASP-52 b ^a	0.04	2.0	4.5×10^{-5}	4.1
WASP-145 A b ^a	0.23	< 1.5	0.04	2.0

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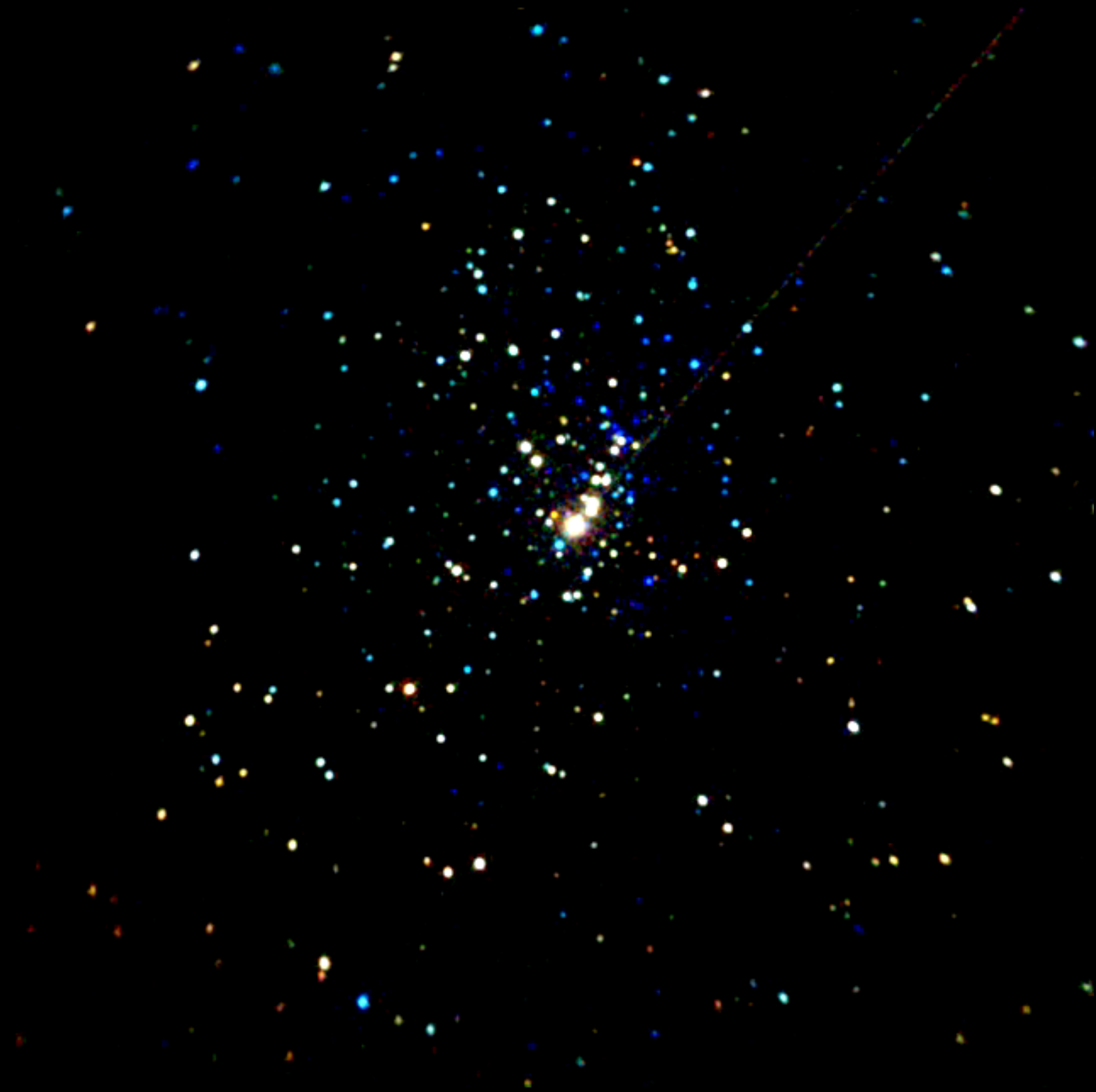
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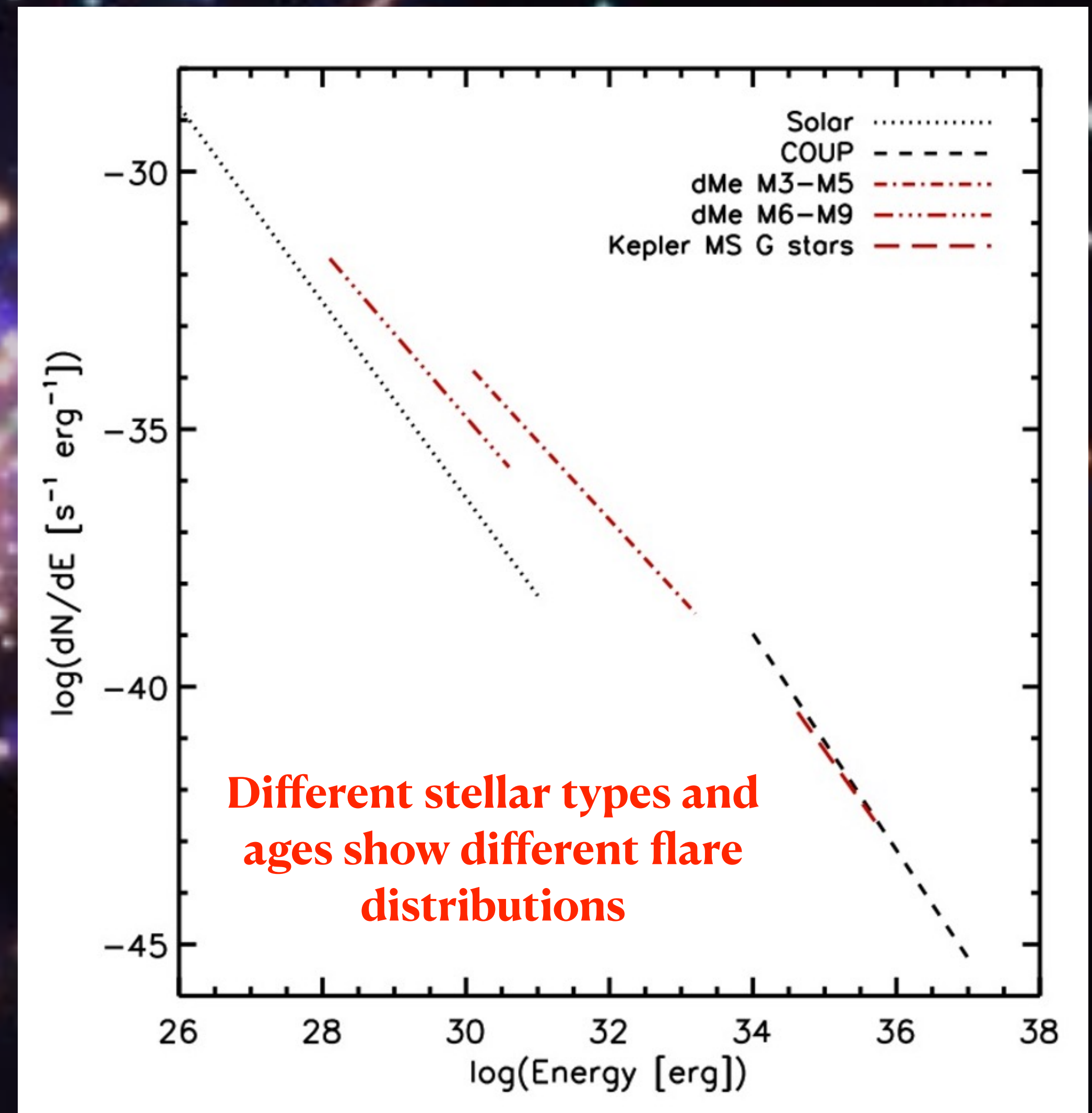
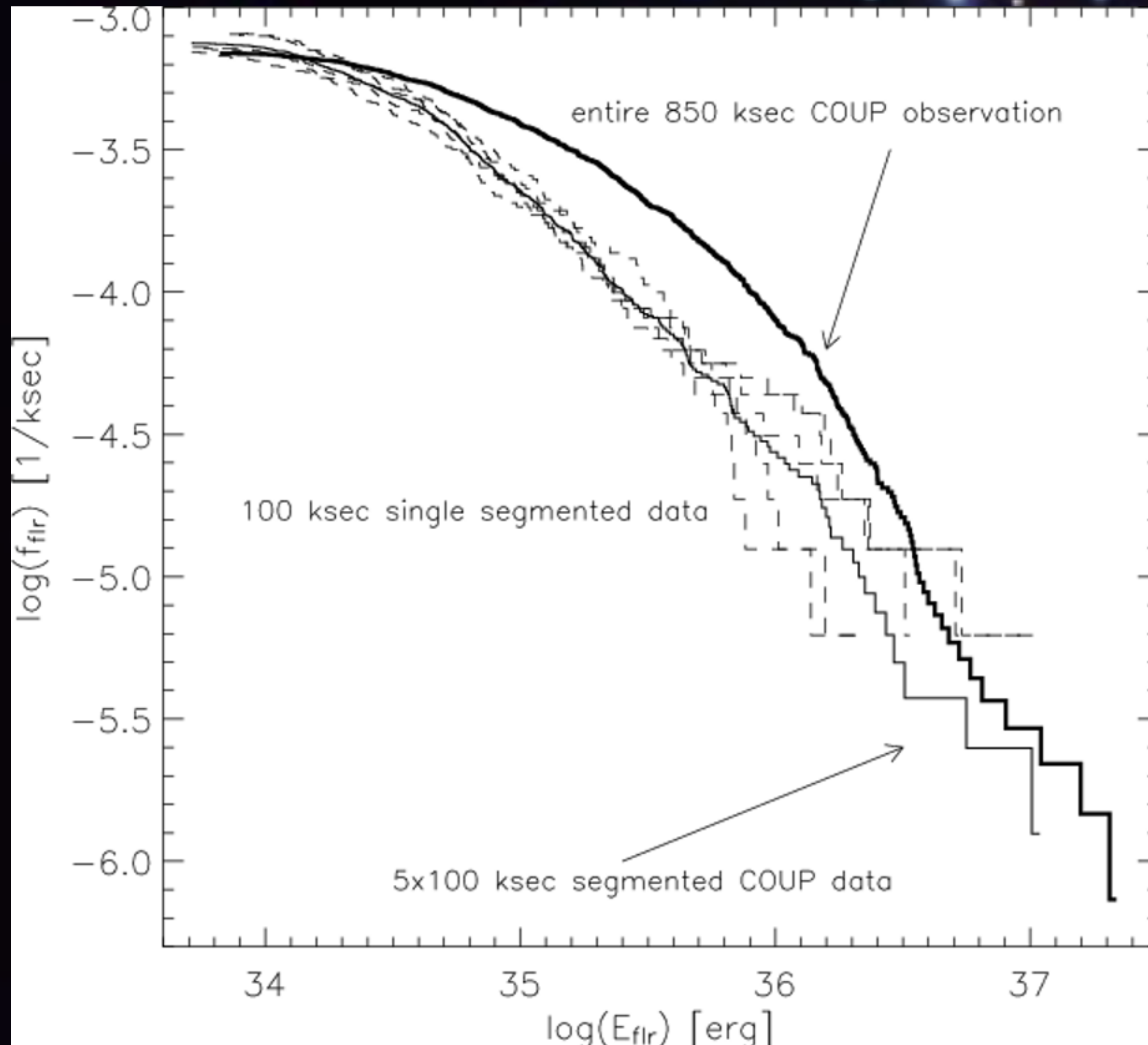
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Chandra's incredible
imaging resolution
remains unsurpassed,
enabling study of young
stars in crowded systems

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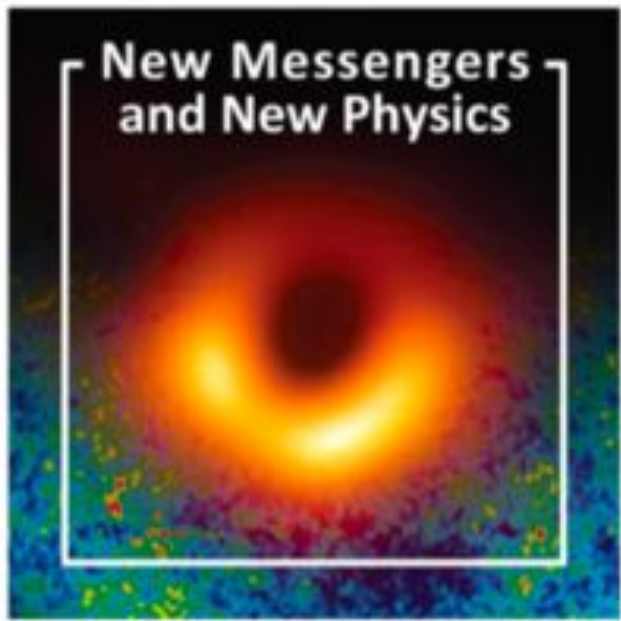
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Colombo+2007, see also Caramazza+2007

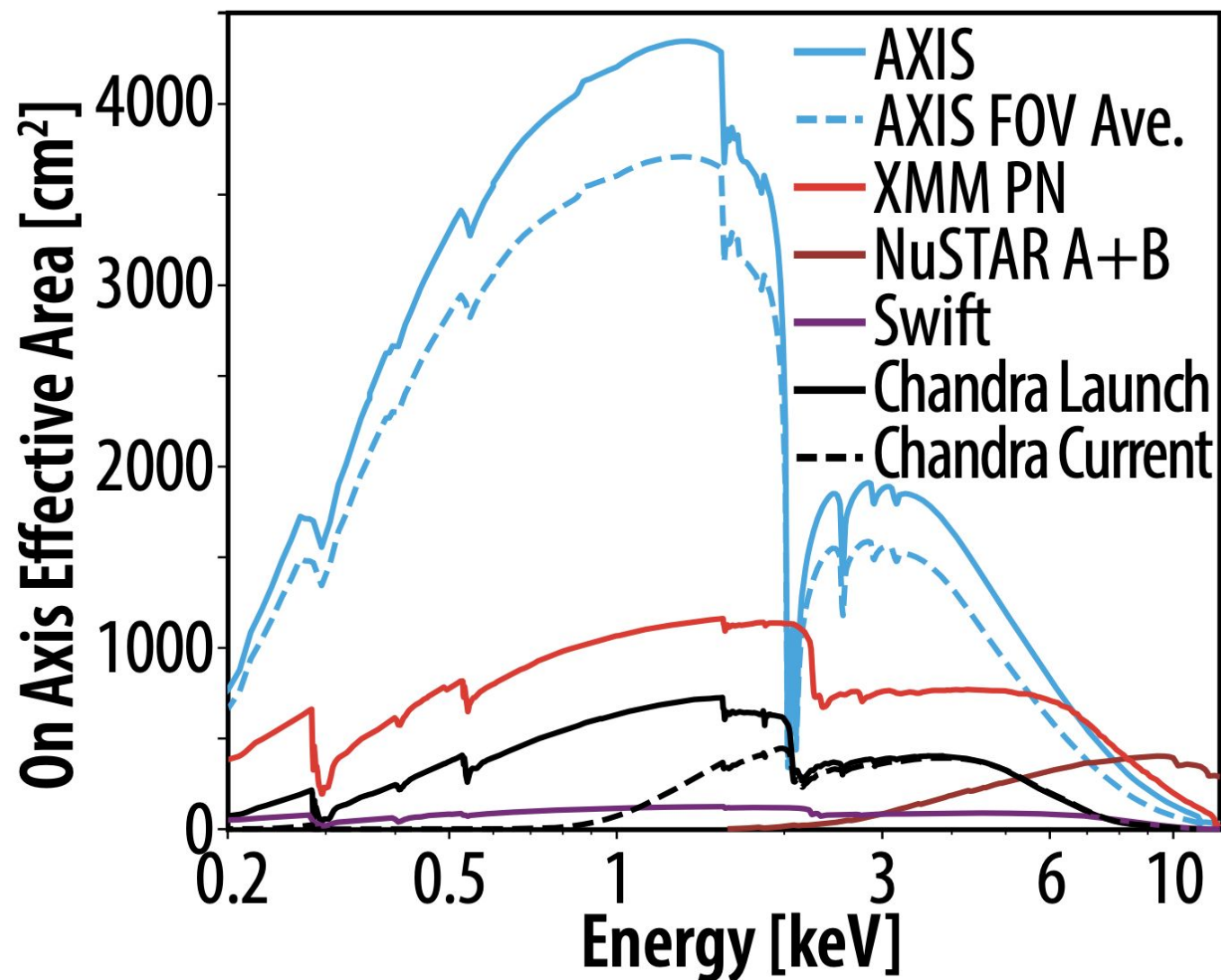
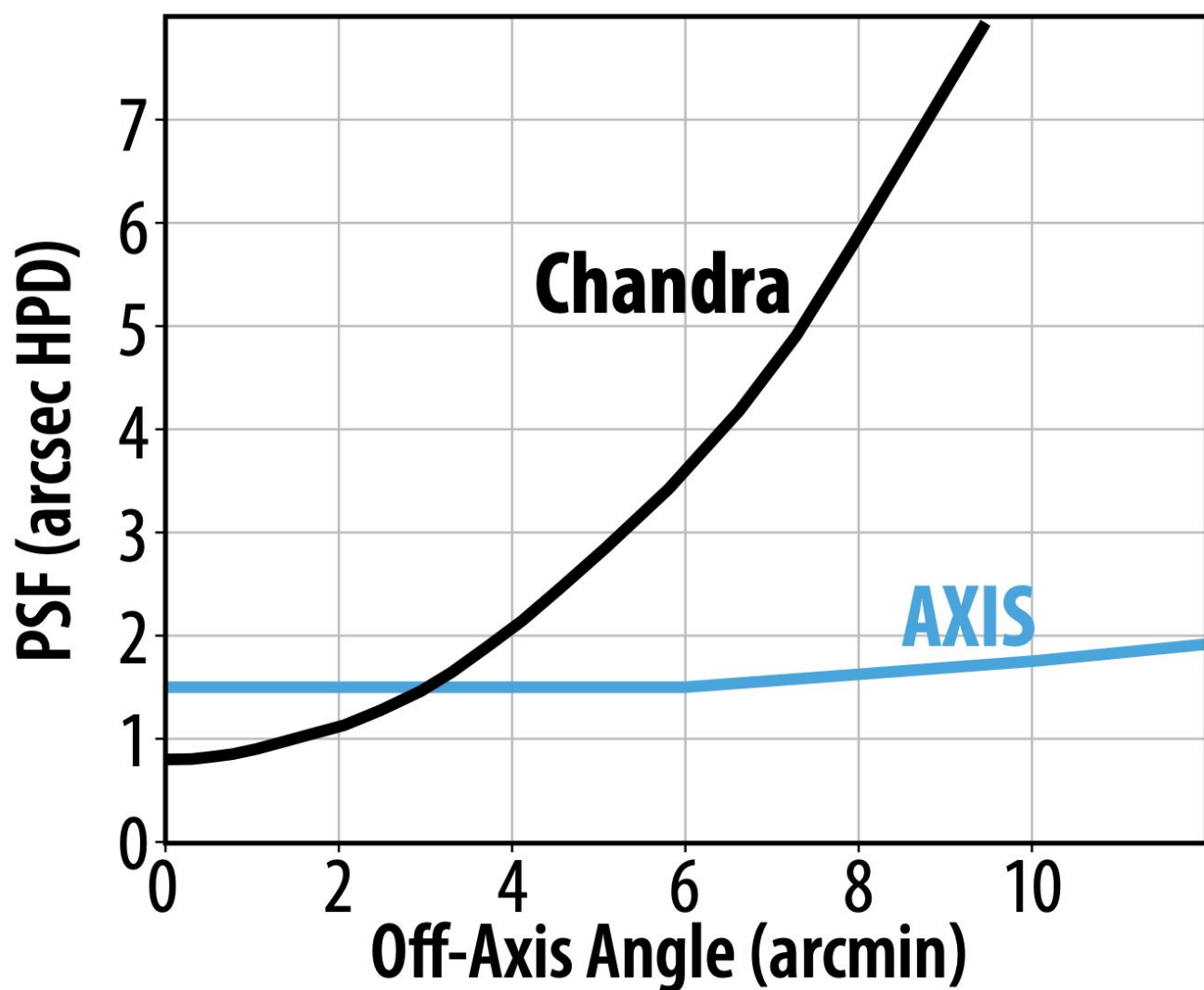
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Chandra's pioneering work provides new windows on stellar activity



Parameter	Baseline Value
PSF	1.50" on-axis, 1.75" FoV-ave (HPD)
Effective Area (incl. detector)	4200 cm ² at 1 keV; 830 cm ² at 6 keV
FoV	24 arcmin diameter
Bandpass	0.3-10 keV
Readout rate	>5 fps
Slew rate	120 deg. / 9.5 min.
Orbit	Low-inclination (5 deg) LEO

New working group members welcome for Phase A study



Conclusions

- *Chandra's* HETG and LETG instruments enable detailed studies of interstellar dust composition and structure, which we can compare to suspected interstellar grains in our solar system to illuminate planetary growth processes
 - The laboratory data and models are still catching up — *Chandra's* data and archives will continue to deliver for decades
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- *Chandra's* unsurpassed resolution enables detailed studies of stellar activity across ages (COUP survey, Wright et al., etc)
 - The ability to resolve stellar binary systems like DS Tuc allows us to study the role of atmospheric evaporation in planetary evolution
 - *Chandra's* contributions to the discovery of an X-ray transit opens a world of possibility
 - Future missions are built upon *Chandra's* legacy of scientific breakthroughs