THE ENHANCED X-RAY TIMING AND POLARIMETRY (EXTP) MISSION

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- ☐ A flagship X-ray observatory mission, being developed by the Chinese Academy of Sciences, with a large contribution by a European Consortium. ESA is considering a MoO participation.
- ☐ Currently in its Phase B2 study (I-SRR successfully completed). The launch date is planned in 2029, for a minimum mission lifetime of 5 years (goal 8 years).
- □ eXTP is proposed as an observatory open to the worldwide scientific community, with an observing plan based on Core Program observations as well as on a Guest Investigator Program.



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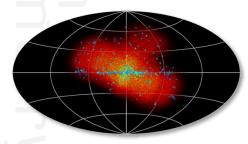
Study of matter under extreme conditions of gravity, density and magnetism. For the first time: simultaneous, high-throughput spectral, timing and polarimetry observations.

- Constrain the Equation of state of the supra-nuclear density matter in the interior of neutron stars.
- Accretion physics in the strong-field regime of gravity and tests of General Relativity in neutron stars and black holes over the mass scale.
- Physics of light and matter in the presence of ultrastrong magnetic fields in magnetars and X-ray pulsars.
- Multi-purpose observatory and wide-field monitoring for transients (and e.m. counterparts of GWs). Rapid automated follow-up.











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2019 White Papers for eXTP science case and mission:

- Dense Matter
- **Strong Field Gravity**
- Strong Magnetism
- **Observatory Science**
- Instrument and mission

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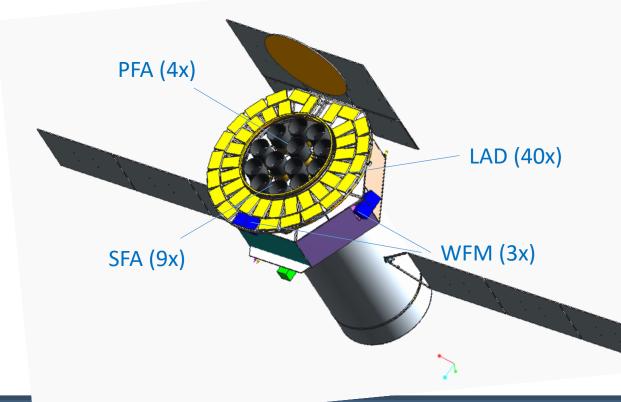
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An update activity has started, including multi-messenger astronomy.



Payload concept

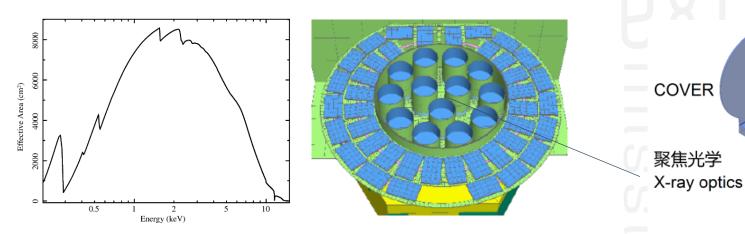
- ➤ Multiple short focal-length modules for large telescope area
- ➤ Multiple modules for large-area collimated modules
- Polarimeter with imaging capability
- ➤ Wide field monitor



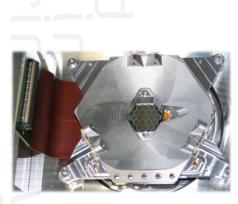






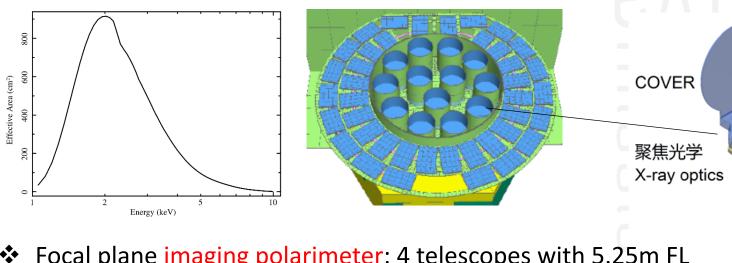


- Large collecting area achieved by multiple optics with short focal length. Baseline: 9 optics with 5.25m FL
- ❖ Total effective area: >0.7 m² @1 keV, 0.5 m² @6 keV
- Non-imaging, PSF requirement 1 arcmin HPD, 12' FoV
- Multi-pixel SDD detector (to enable background subtraction). Single photon, <100μs</p>
- Energy band: 0.5-10 keV
- Energy resolution: <180 eV FWHM @6 keV</p>











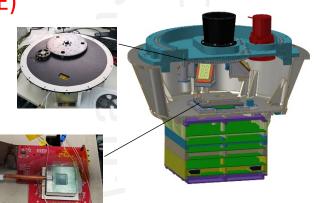
Imaging, PSF 20 arcsec HPD

Total effective area: 900 cm² @2 keV (includes QE)

Gas Pixel Detector: single photon, <100µs

Energy band: 2-10 keV

Energy resolution: 20% FWHM @6 keV

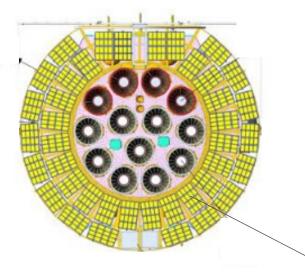


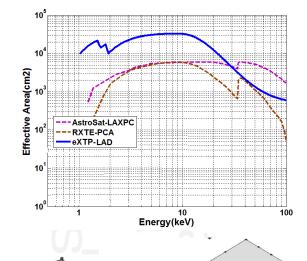
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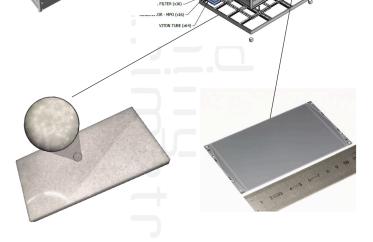


❖ Total effective area: 3.0 m² @8 keV

Energy band: 2-30 keV

Energy resolution: <240 eV FWHM @6 keV</p>

- ❖ Based on the LOFT/LAD design
- ❖ 40 Modules on support truss
- 1° Collimated, large-area SDD detector.
 Single photon, <10μs



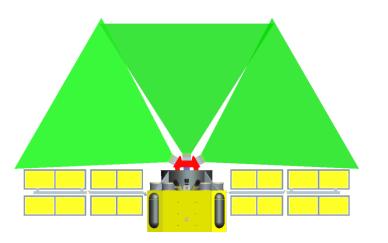


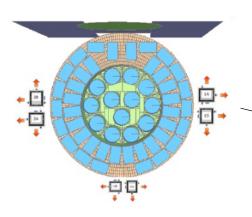






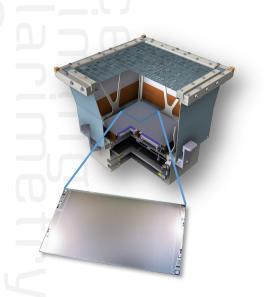








- Field of View: 4 steradian (at 20% response)
- Imaging, <5 arcmin angular resolution, 1 arcmin PSLA
- Energy band: 2-50 keV
- Energy resolution: 300 eV FWHM @6 keV
- Effective area: 80 cm² @6 keV (1 unit, on axis)
- Same design as LOFT/WFM, 3 units (6 cameras)
- Same detectors as LAD (SDD). Single photon, <10μs

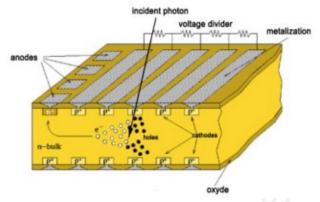




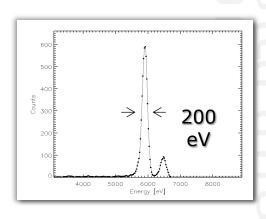






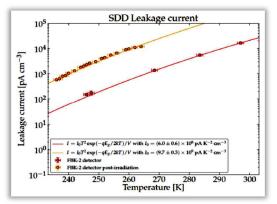












NIEL from 11 MeV and 50 MeV protons:

PSI - Zurich

[E. Del Monte et al. 2014, JINST 9]

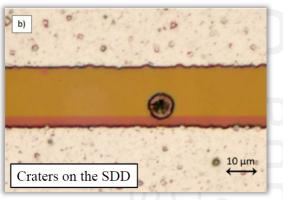
NIEL from soft protons (800 keV p+):

Tubingen

[E. Del Monte et al. 2014, SPIE 9144]



Variation of the CCE (11 MeV p+): PSI – Zurich [Del Monte et al. 2015, JINST 10]



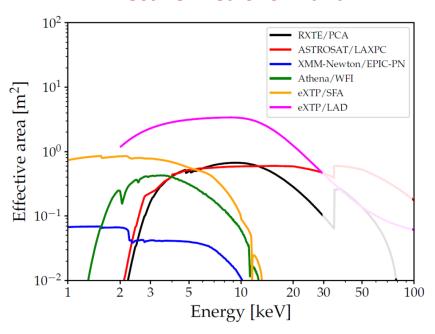
Hypervelocity impacts from debris (0.5-3 mm diameter):

MPIK - Heidelberg
[G. Zampa et al. 2014, JINST 9]

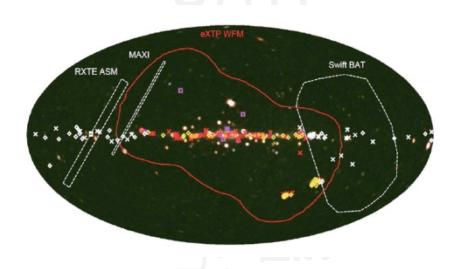


Total Dose (Co⁶⁰ photons, 85 krad): Calliope – Casaccia (Rome) [F. Ceraudo et al., in preparation]

Effective Area of SFA and LAD



Instantaneous FoV of WFM



❖ LAD: 6x RXTE/PCA, 35x XMM-Newton (but collimated!) + hard-X response

SFA: 8x XMM-Newton and 0.3-2x Athena/WFI (but multiple optics and larger PSF!). Limiting sensitivity $\sim 10^{-14}$ - 10^{-15} erg cm⁻² s⁻¹

PFA: 7x IXPE. Sensitivity: 1% MDP in 50ks for a 100 mCrab source

❖ WFM: Largest FoV ever, first time with 300 eV resolution. 3 mCrab in 50ks





	Payload	Parameter	Specification
soft Response	SFA	Energy range	0.5-10 keV
		Effective area	>7000 cm ² @1 keV, >5000 cm ² @6 keV
		Energy resolution	<180 eV FWHM @6 keV
		FoV/HPD	12 arcmin / 1 arcmin
		Focal plane detector	Pixelated SDD (19 pixels)
raige area	LAD	Energy range	2-30 keV (extended: 30-80 keV for out-FoV)
		Effective area	30000 cm ²
		Energy resolution	<240 eV FWHM @6 keV
		FoV	1° (FWHM)
		Detector	Large area SDD (640 units, 40 Modules)
Polarization	PFA	Energy range	2-10 keV
		Effective area	>900 cm ² @2 keV (including QE)
		Energy resolution	1.2 keV FWHM @6 keV
		FoV/HPD	12 arcmin / 20 arcsec
		Focal plane detector	GPD (4 units)
Monitoring	WFM	Energy range	2-50 keV
		Energy resolution	300 eV FWHM @6keV
		FoV	>4 sr (at 20% of peak response)
		Angular resolution	<5 arcmin
		Localization accuracy	<1 arcmin
		Detector	Large area SDD



☐ Sky visibility

- >50% of the sky accessible by the narrow field instruments at any time (requirement) – current baseline: ~65% (-60°/+30°)
- 4 of the sky instantaneously monitored by the WFM at any time

□ Transient events

- Onboard triggering and transient localization capability (WFM)
- Autonomous slewing (>3°/min minimum speed)
- Transmission of coordinates to the ground: Bei Dou (<30s seconds delay)

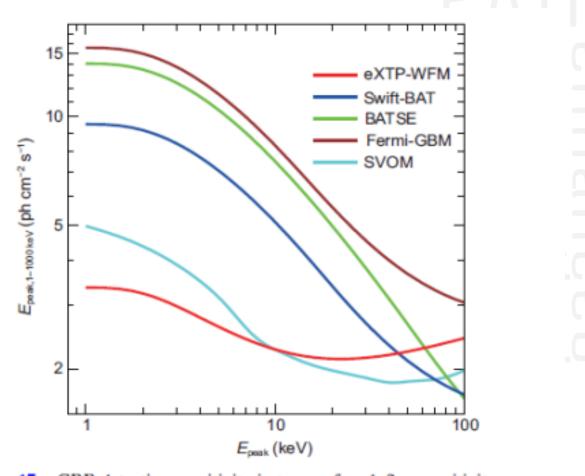
☐ Targets of Opportunity

- Large allocation to ToO observations
- Fast uplink of ToO coordinates (Bei Dou)
- <12 hours execution time (requirement)</p>



Parameter	Value	
Orbit	550 km, <2.5° inclination	
Launcher	Long-March CZ-5, from Wenchang	
Mass	4500 kg	
Power	3.6 kW	
Telemetry	1.7 Tb/day (X-band)	
Ground Stations	Colombo, Malindi, +	
Pointing	3-axis stabilized, < 0.01° (3-sigma)	
Sky visibility	50% (goal 75%)	
Mission Duration	5 years (goal 8 years)	
Launch date	2029	

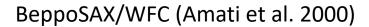


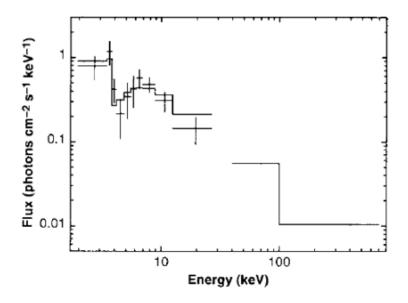


GRB detection sensitivity in terms of peak flux sensitivity as a function of the spectral peak energy E_p [359] of the WFM (red) for M4 configuration compared to those of CGRO BATSE (green), Swift BAT (blue), Fermi GBM (brown), and SVOM ECLAIRs (cyan).

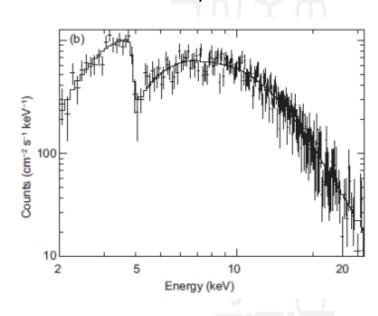








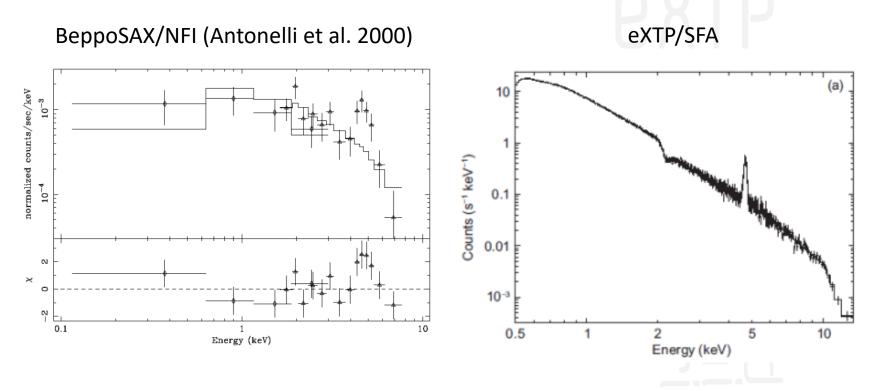
eXTP/WFM



GRB prompt emission, 8s integration, Fe absorption edge at z=0.86







Afterglow: 12 hours after GRB onset, 50 ks, average flux 8x10⁻¹³ erg cm⁻² s⁻¹





eXTP is conceived as a powerful and general observatory for compact Galactic and bright extragalactic objects to date. It will offer for the first time the most complete diagnostics of compact sources: excellent spectral, timing and polarimetry sensitivity on a single payload.

Five international Science Working Groups

- Accretion in Strong Field Gravity
- Dense Matter
- Strong Magnetism
- Observatory Science
- Multi-messenger astronomy

The eXTP Team is open to contributions from the wide scientific community.

More info at: http://www.isdc.unige.ch/extp/

