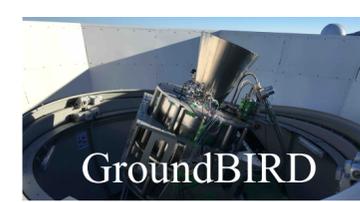




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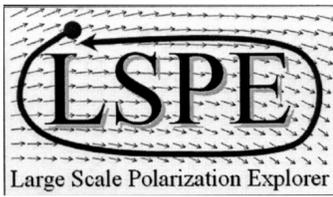


# CMB studies at the IAC: GroundBIRD, LSPE-Strip and LiteBIRD



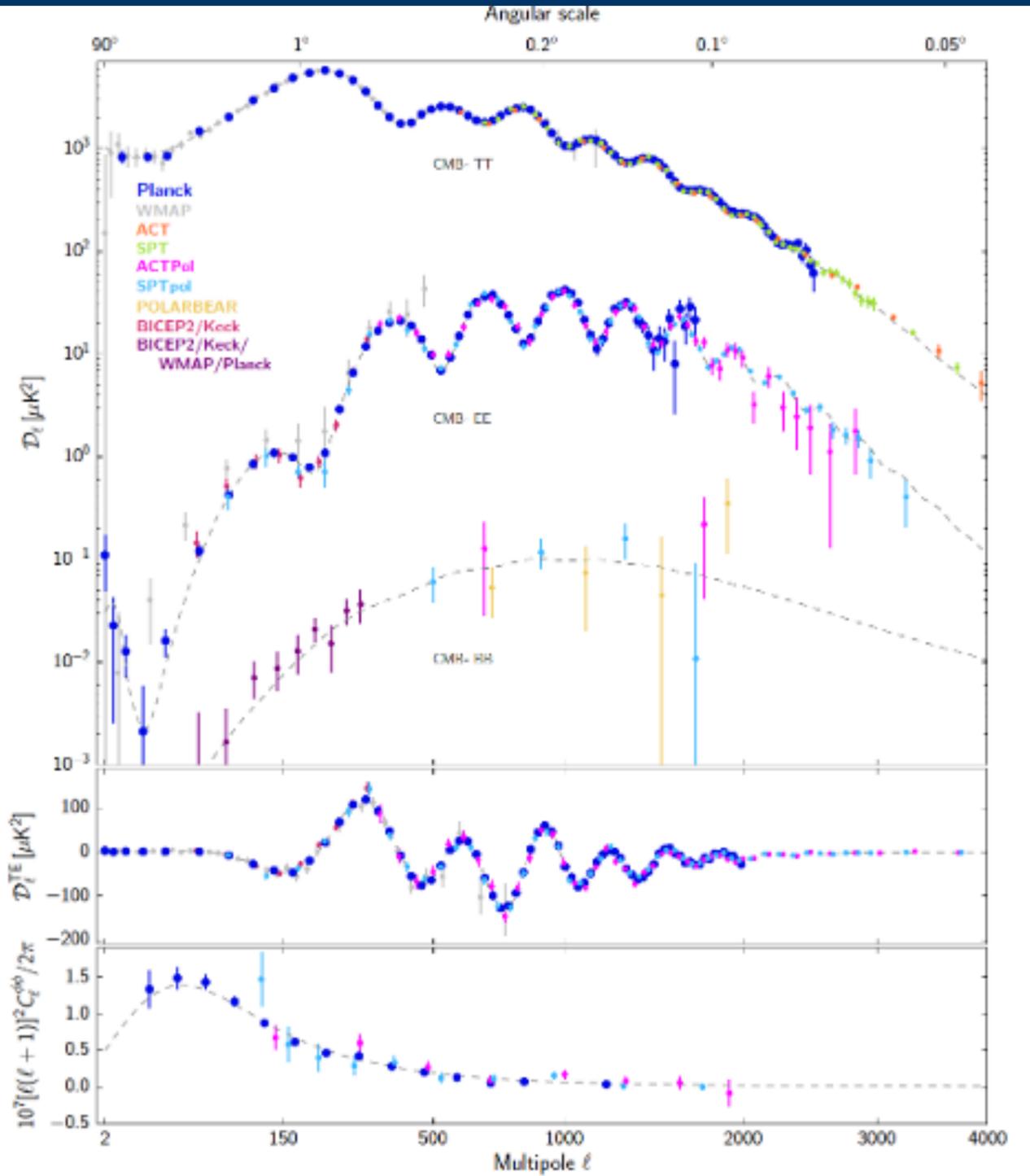
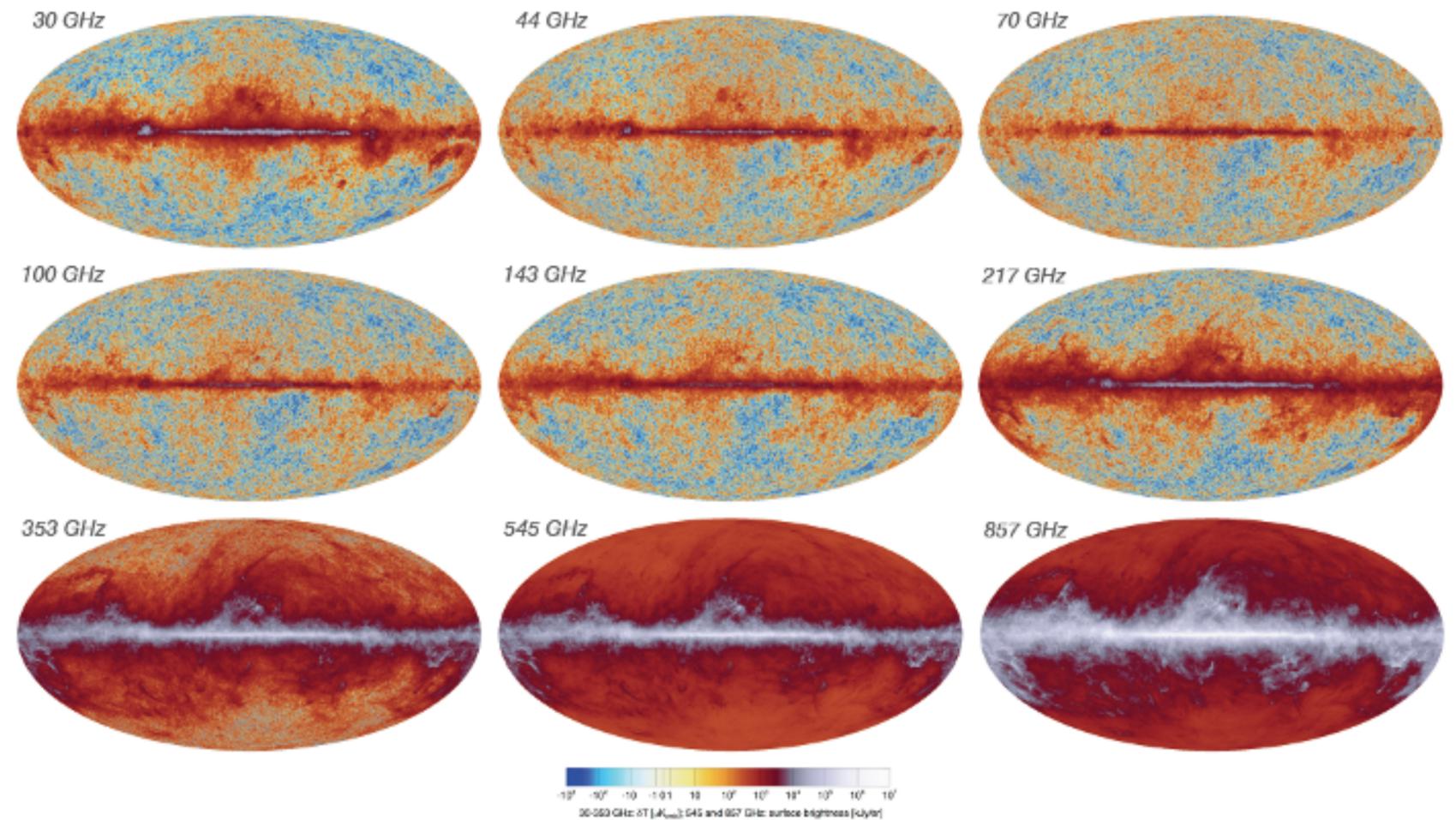
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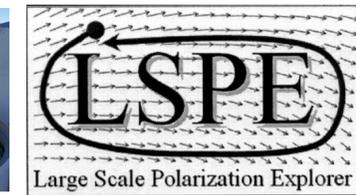
## Planck results

- Temperature anisotropies measured to great precision by **Planck** (cosmic-variance limited up to  $l \approx 1600$ ) and previous experiments



Planck 2018 results I (A&A, 641, A1, 2020)

# Cosmology with the CMB



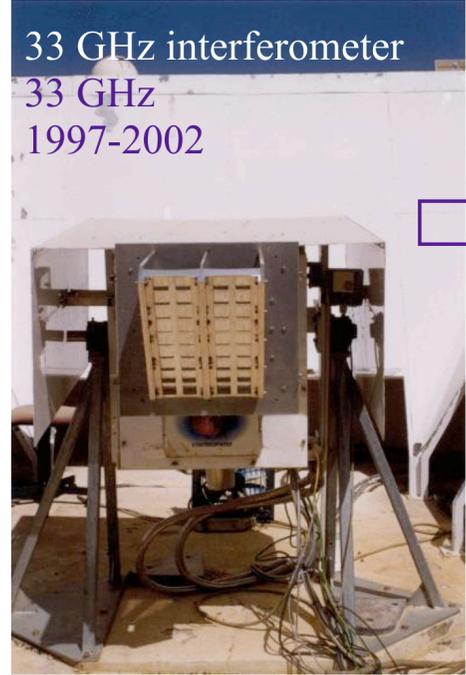
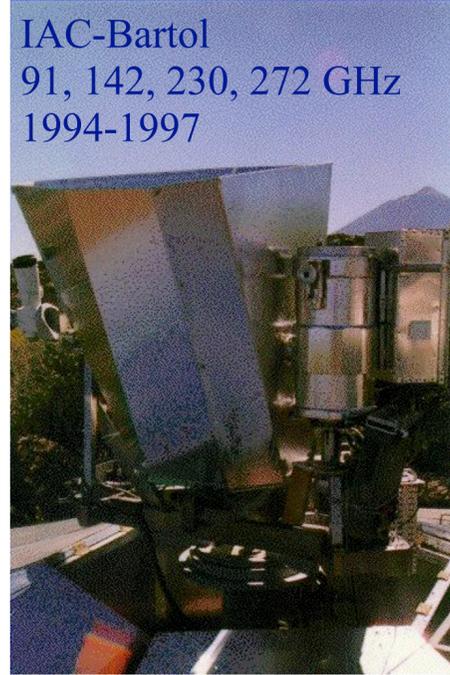
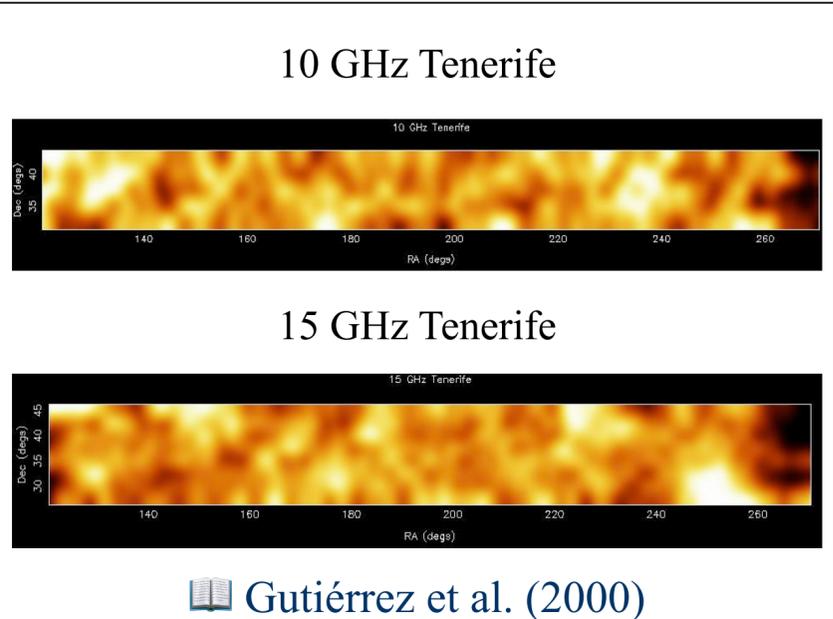
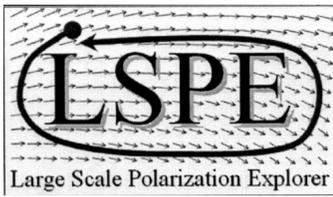
## Planck results

- **$\Lambda$ CDM 6-parameter model** provides an excellent fit to the data!
- Sub-percent accuracy in the determination of all cosmological parameters except  $\tau$ 
  - **CDM** detected at  $\geq 100\sigma$
  - **Sound horizon** measured with 0.03% precision
  - **$n_s$**   $8\sigma$  away from scale invariance
- Beyond  $\Lambda$ CDM:
  - No evidence for  $dn_s/d(\ln k) \neq 0$
  - **Tensor modes**:  $r < 0.1$
  - Marginal preference for an open universe:  $\Omega_k = -0.0106 \pm 0.0065$
  - **Dark energy** equation of state consistent with  $w_0 = -1$  and  $w_a = 0$
  - **Neutrinos**:  $\sum m_\nu < 0.17$  eV,  $N_{\text{eff}} = 2.92 \pm 0.37$
  - .... and more

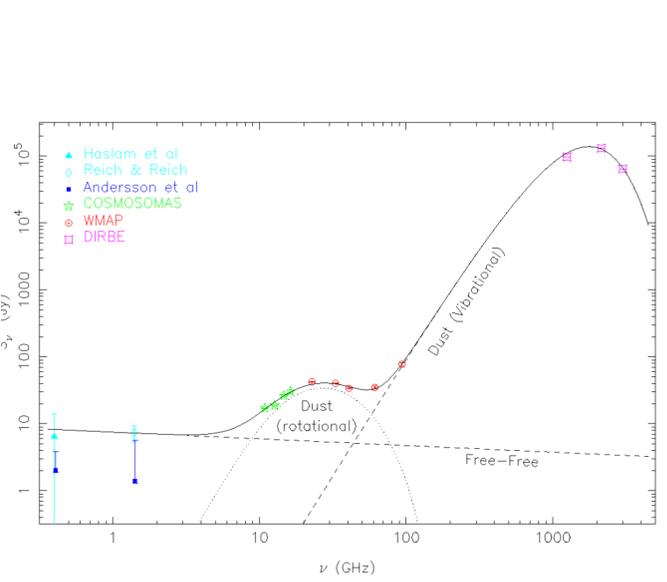
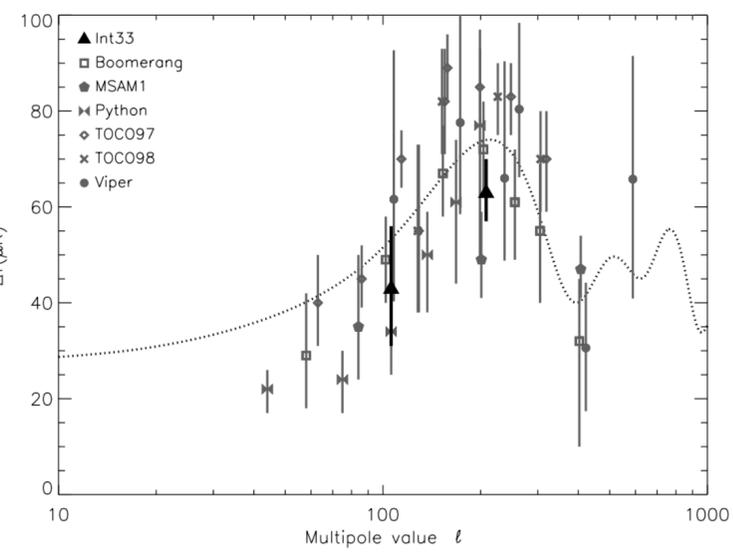
Parameter	Planck alone
$\Omega_b h^2$ . . . . .	$0.02237 \pm 0.00015$
$\Omega_c h^2$ . . . . .	$0.1200 \pm 0.0012$
$100\theta_{\text{MC}}$ . . . . .	$1.04092 \pm 0.00031$
$\tau$ . . . . .	$0.0544 \pm 0.0073$
$\ln(10^{10} A_s)$ . . . . .	$3.044 \pm 0.014$
$n_s$ . . . . .	$0.9649 \pm 0.0042$
$H_0$ . . . . .	$67.36 \pm 0.54$
$\Omega_\Lambda$ . . . . .	$0.6847 \pm 0.0073$
$\Omega_m$ . . . . .	$0.3153 \pm 0.0073$
$\Omega_m h^2$ . . . . .	$0.1430 \pm 0.0011$
$\Omega_m h^3$ . . . . .	$0.09633 \pm 0.00030$
$\sigma_8$ . . . . .	$0.8111 \pm 0.0060$
$\sigma_8 (\Omega_m / 0.3)^{0.5}$ . . . . .	$0.832 \pm 0.013$
$z_{\text{re}}$ . . . . .	$7.67 \pm 0.73$
Age [Gyr] . . . . .	$13.797 \pm 0.023$
$r_s$ [Mpc] . . . . .	$144.43 \pm 0.26$
$100\theta_s$ . . . . .	$1.04110 \pm 0.00031$
$r_{\text{drag}}$ [Mpc] . . . . .	$147.09 \pm 0.26$
$z_{\text{eq}}$ . . . . .	$3402 \pm 26$
$k_{\text{eq}}$ [Mpc $^{-1}$ ] . . . . .	$0.010384 \pm 0.000081$
$\Omega_K$ . . . . .	$-0.0096 \pm 0.0061$
$\Sigma m_\nu$ [eV] . . . . .	$< 0.241$
$N_{\text{eff}}$ . . . . .	$2.89^{+0.36}_{-0.38}$
$r_{0.002}$ . . . . .	$< 0.101$

Planck 2018 results I (A&A, 641, A1, 2020)

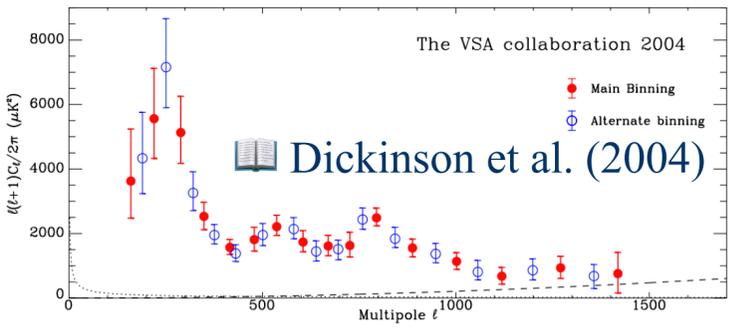
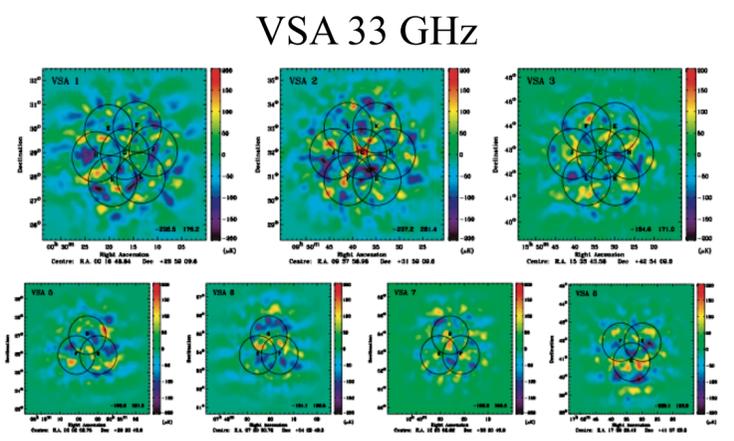
# CMB studies from the TO



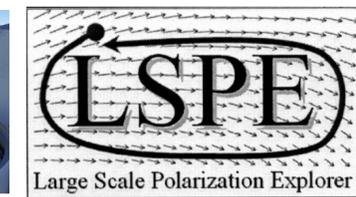
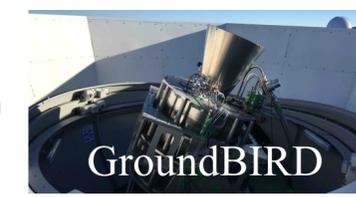
Harrison et al. (2000)



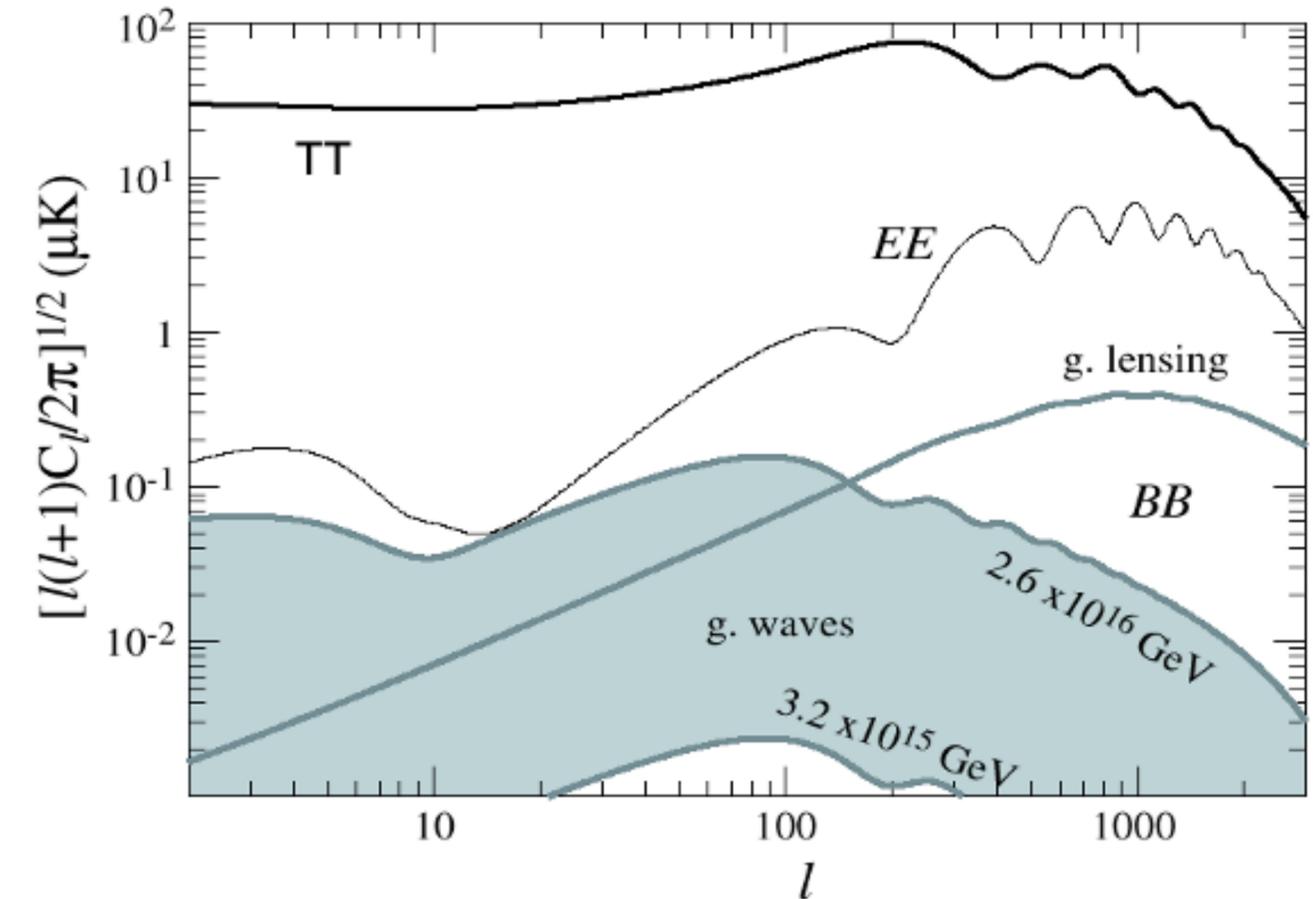
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# CMB polarization



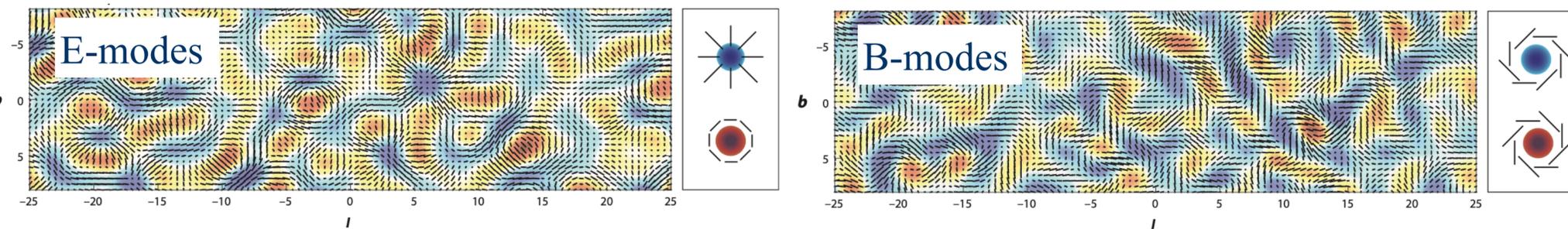
- Precise measurements **CMB polarization** helps to improve the precision on cosmological parameters, and are key for:
  - Indirect detection of **primordial gravitational waves** (tensor modes) from **inflation** ( $B$ -modes,  $r$  parameter)
  - Improve the sensitivity on  $\tau$  (**reionization** history)
  - Constrain the sum of **neutrino masses**
  - Constrain parity-violation processes in the early Universe (**cosmic birefringence**)
  - ... and more



$$r = 0.1 \left[ \frac{V}{(2 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV})^4} \right]$$

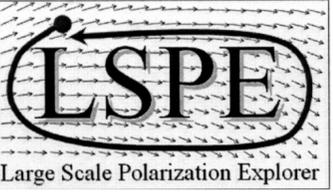


Energy levels close to GUT scale!

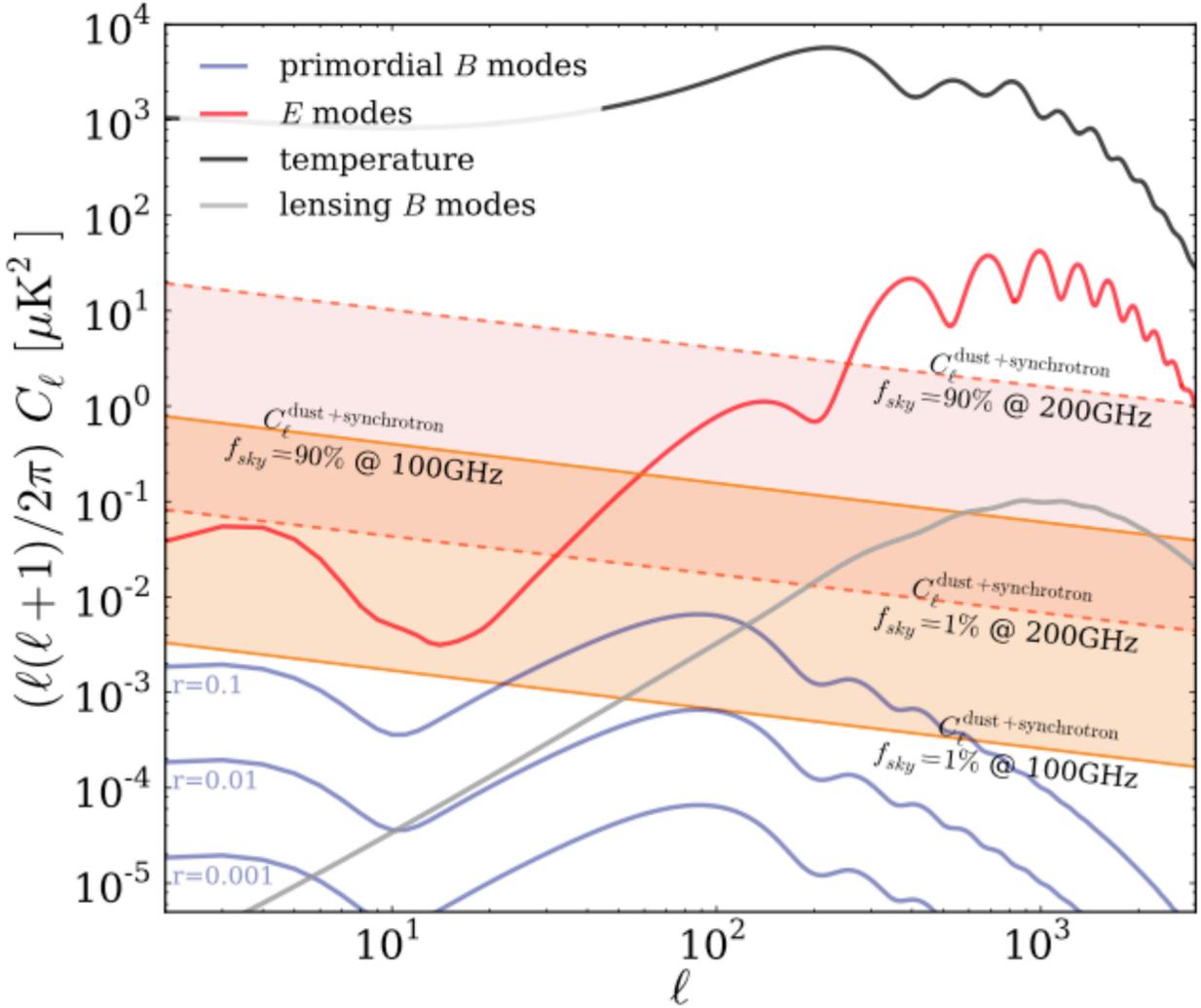


Kamionkowski & Kovetz (2016)

# CMB polarization

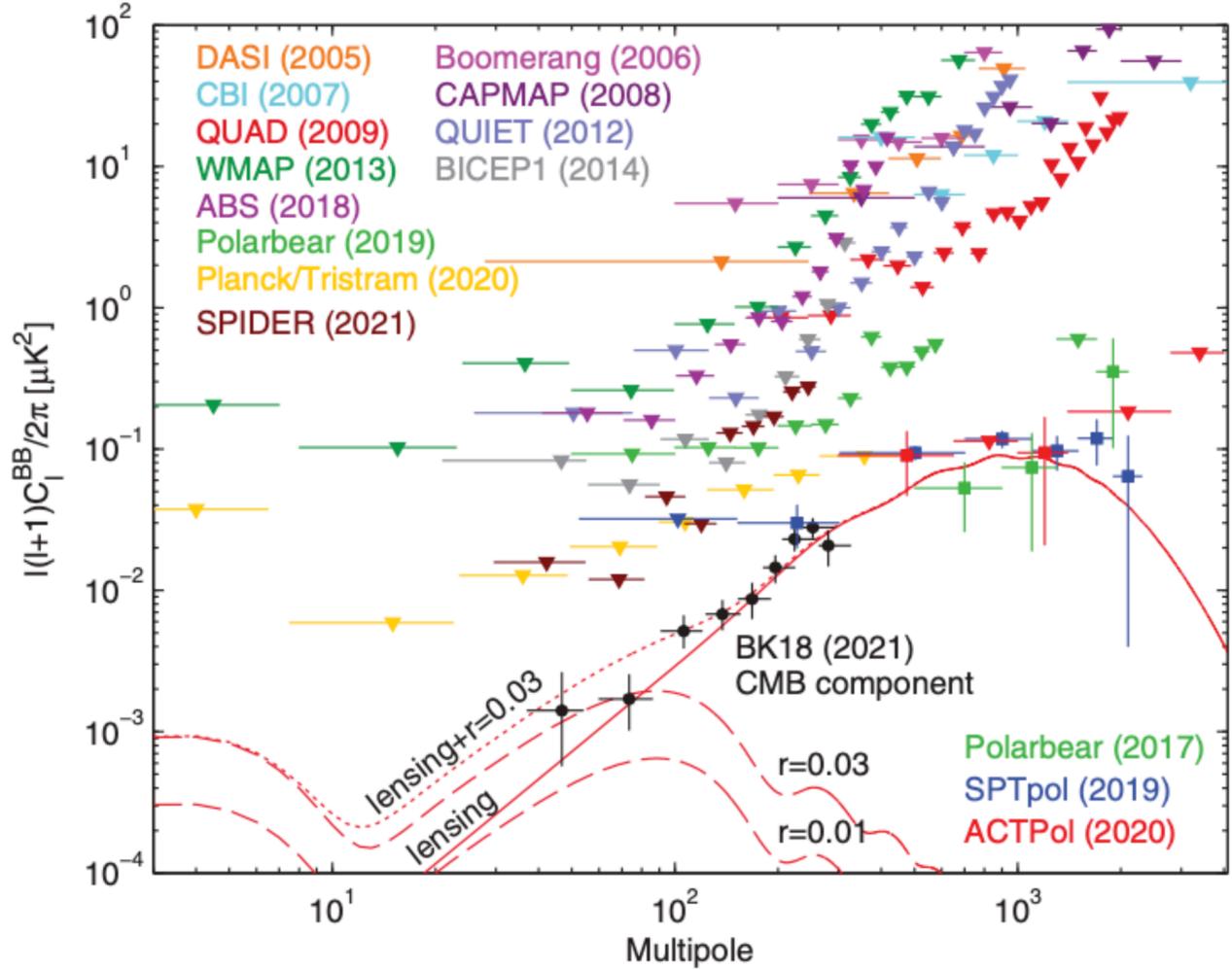


- The  $B$ -mode signal is expected to have an amplitude at least 3 orders of magnitude below the CMB temperature anisotropies
- Faint compared with Galactic foregrounds



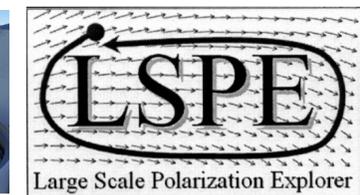
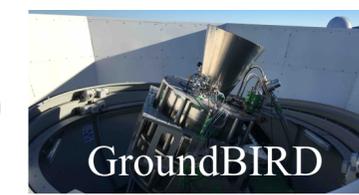
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- Current best constraint:  $r < 0.032$  (95% C.L.)  
 (Tristram et al. 2022, combining BK18 and Planck PR4)

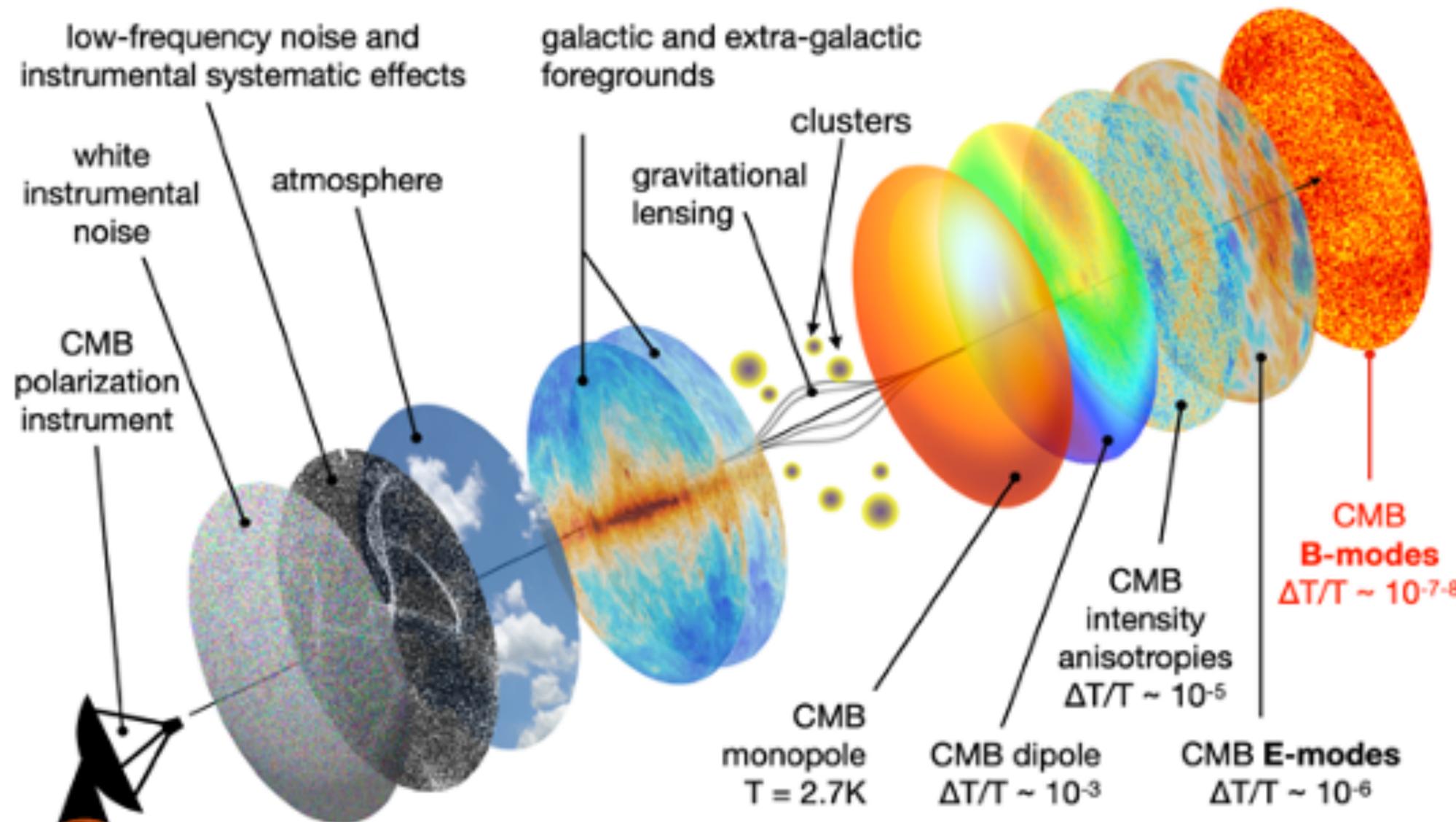


BICEP/Keck Collaboration (2021)

# The challenge of B-modes detection



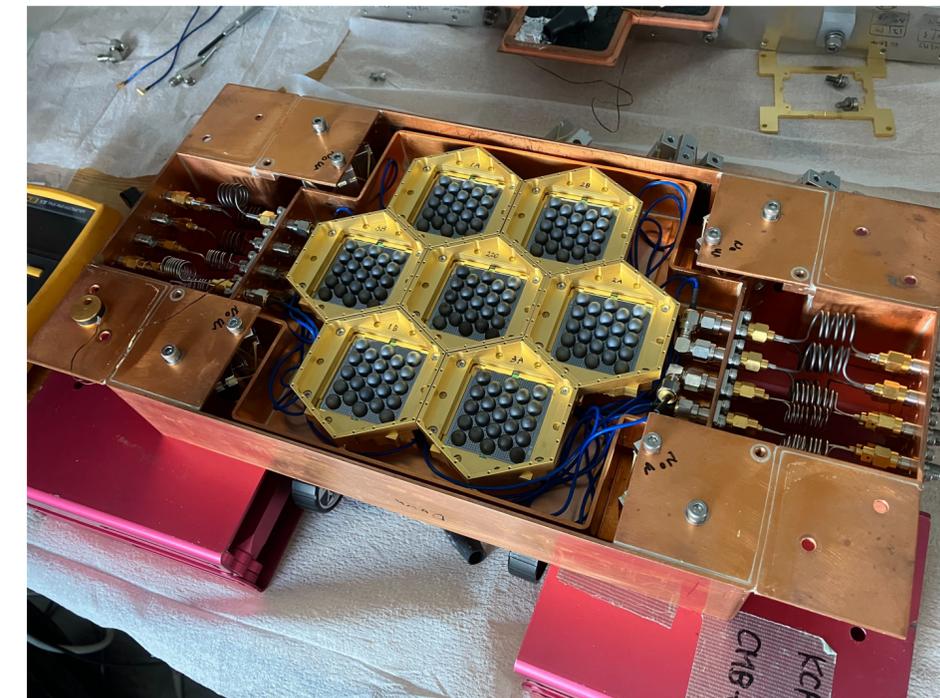
- Need **very high sensitivity** ( $\Rightarrow$  large focal planes) and **exquisite control of systematics**, in particular:
  1. **Instrument systematic** uncertainties
  2. **Galactic foreground** contamination ( $\Rightarrow$  wide spectral coverage)
  3. **“Lensing B-mode signal”** induced by gravitational lensing ( $\Rightarrow$  high angular resolution)
  4. Observer biases



*Image credit: Josquin Errard*



- Japan/Korea/Spain collaboration (lead: RIKEN Center for Advanced Photonics)
- Site: **Teide Observatory**
- Two frequencies: **145 GHz** and **220 GHz**
- Angular resolution: **0.5° @ 145 GHz**, **0.3° @ 220 GHz**
- Optics: cross-Dragone, FOV =  $\pm 10^\circ$
- Detectors: lens-antenna-filter couple **mKIDs** (**138 @ 145 GHz** and **23 @ 220 GHz**)
- Temperature **250 mK**, with cold optics at 4 K
- Scan speed: **120°/sec** (20 rpm)
- Sky coverage: **fsky ~0.45**
- Goals: large angular scales  $\Rightarrow$  **reionization** and **recombination bumps**

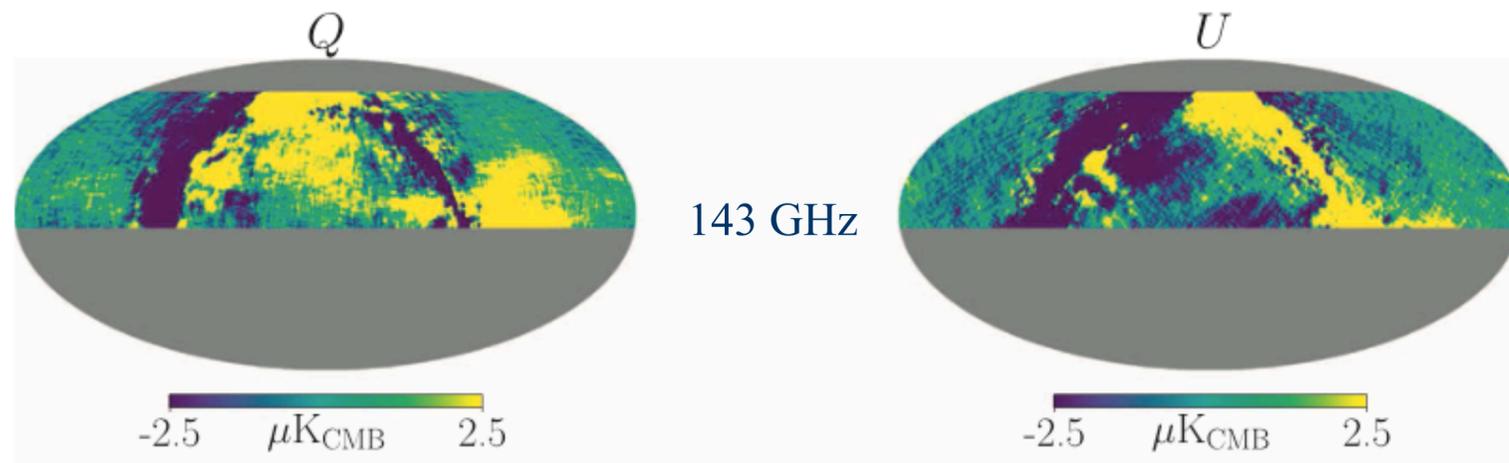




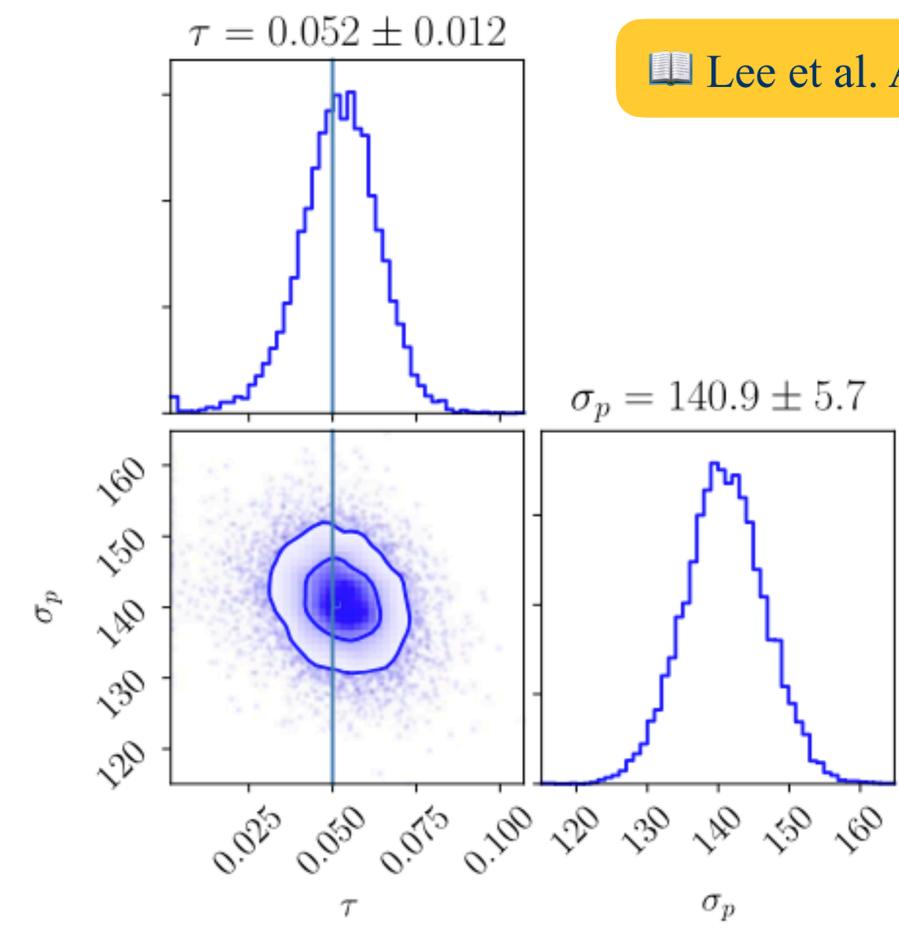
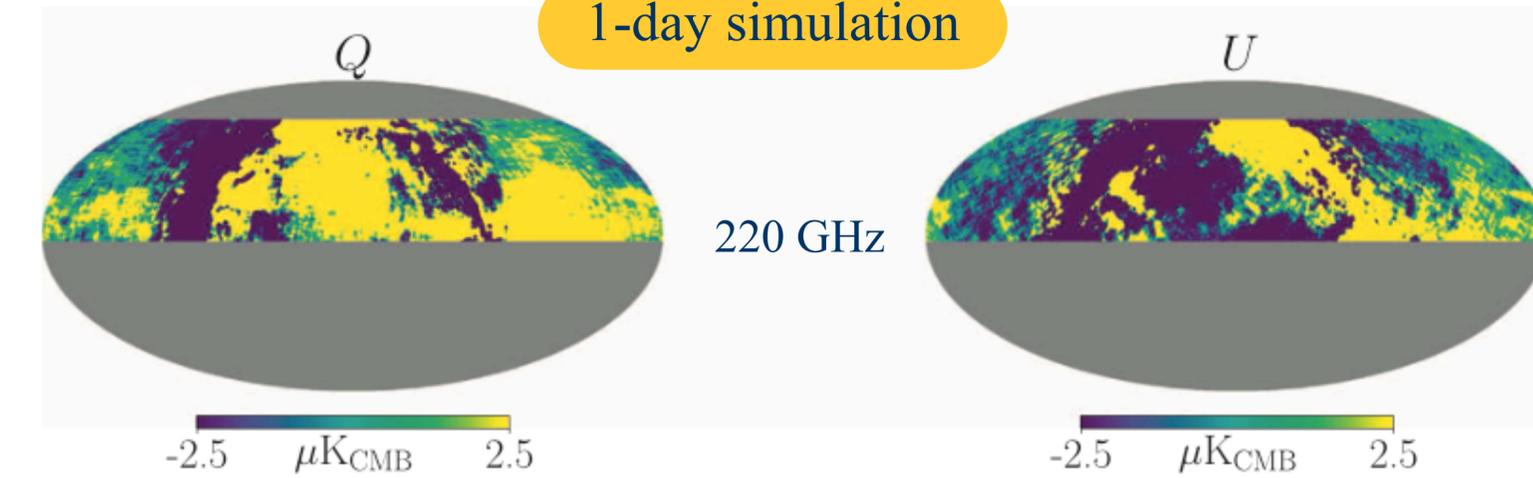
## Noise sensitivities for a 3-year survey

- A **3-year survey** with the current configuration will allow reaching  $\sigma(\tau) = 0.012$

	145 GHz	220 GHz
Number of detectors	138	23
Sky coverage	0.537	0.462
Mean observation time (s arcmin <sup>-2</sup> )	<b>0.83</b>	<b>0.97</b>
NET ( $\mu\text{K} \sqrt{\text{s}}$ )	<b>820</b>	<b>2600</b>
Pixel noise level ( $\mu\text{K arcmin}$ )	<b>110</b>	<b>780</b>



1-day simulation

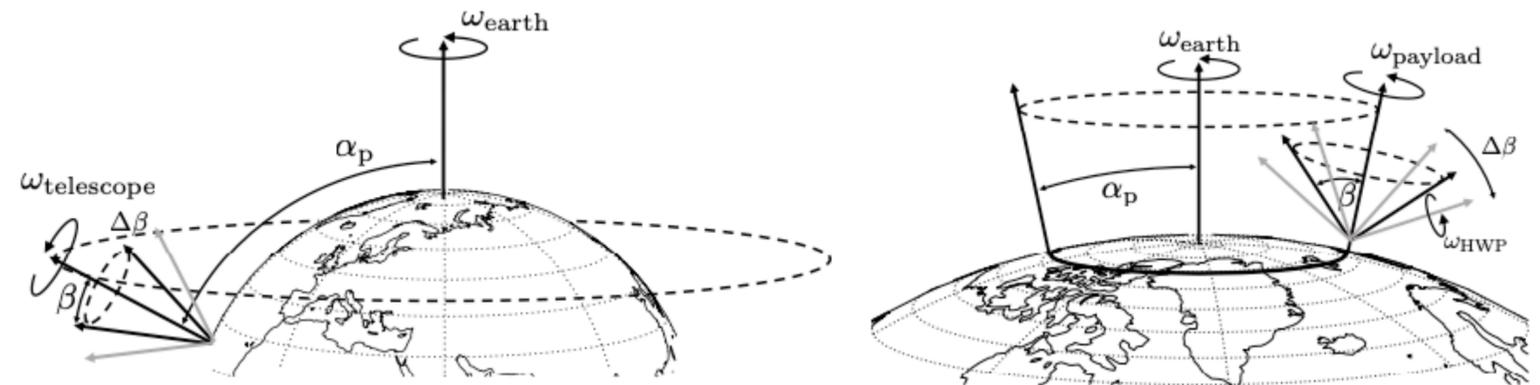


Lee et al. ApJ, 915, 2021

LSPE collaboration, JCAP008, 2021

- Large Scale Polarization Explorer (**LSPE**):
  - Ground-based observations at low-frequencies (**Strip**)
  - Stratospheric flight to cover the highest frequencies (**SWIPE**)
- **Strip**:
  - Site: **Teide Observatory**
  - Frequencies: 49 polarimeters @ **43 GHz** and 6 polarimeters @ **95 GHz**
  - HEMT technology
  - $f_{\text{sky}} \approx 0.3$
  - Operation plan: 2025-2027

Instrument	Strip		SWIPE		
Site .....	Tenerife		balloon		
Freq (GHz) .....	43	95	145	210	240
Bandwidth .....	17%	8%	30%	20%	10%
Angular resolution FWHM .....	20'	10'	85'		
Field of view .....	$\pm 5^\circ$		$\pm 11^\circ$		
Detector technology.....	HEMT		Multi-moded TES		
Number of polarimeters (Strip)/detectors (SWIPE)	49	6	162	82	82
NET ( $\mu\text{K}_{\text{CMB}} \text{s}^{1/2}$ ) .....	515	1139	12.6	15.6	31.4
Observation time .....	2 years		8–15 days		
Observing efficiency .....	50%, <sup>1</sup>		90%		
Sky coverage <sup>2</sup> (nominal) $f_{\text{sky},0}$ .....	28%		38%		
Sky coverage <sup>2</sup> (this paper) $f_{\text{sky}}$ .....	50%		38%		
Masked sky coverage for CMB analysis $f_{\text{sky},\text{cmb}}$ ....	25%		25%		
Map sensitivity (nominal) $\sigma_{Q,U,0}$ ( $\mu\text{K}_{\text{CMB}} \text{ arcmin}$ ) .	102	777	10	17	34
Map sensitivity (this paper) $\sigma_{Q,U}$ ( $\mu\text{K}_{\text{CMB}} \text{ arcmin}$ ) .	130	990	10	17	34
Noise power spectrum $(\mathcal{N}_\ell^{E,B})^{1/2}$ ( $\mu\text{K}_{\text{CMB}} \text{ arcmin}$ ) .	260	1980	20	34	68





# LiteBIRD Joint Study Group



Over 400 researchers from **Japan**,  
**North America** and **Europe**

Team experience in CMB experiments,  
X-ray satellites and other large projects  
(ALMA, HEP experiments, ...)

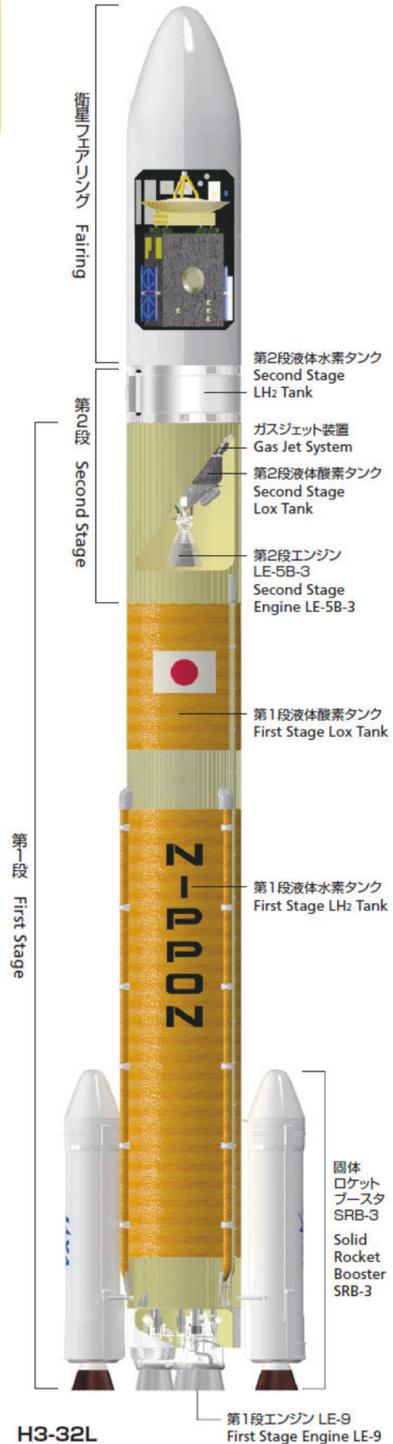
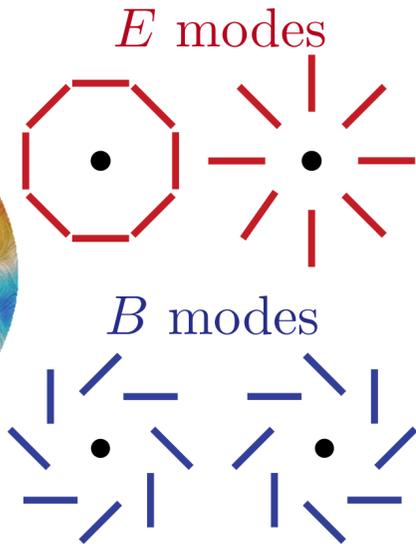
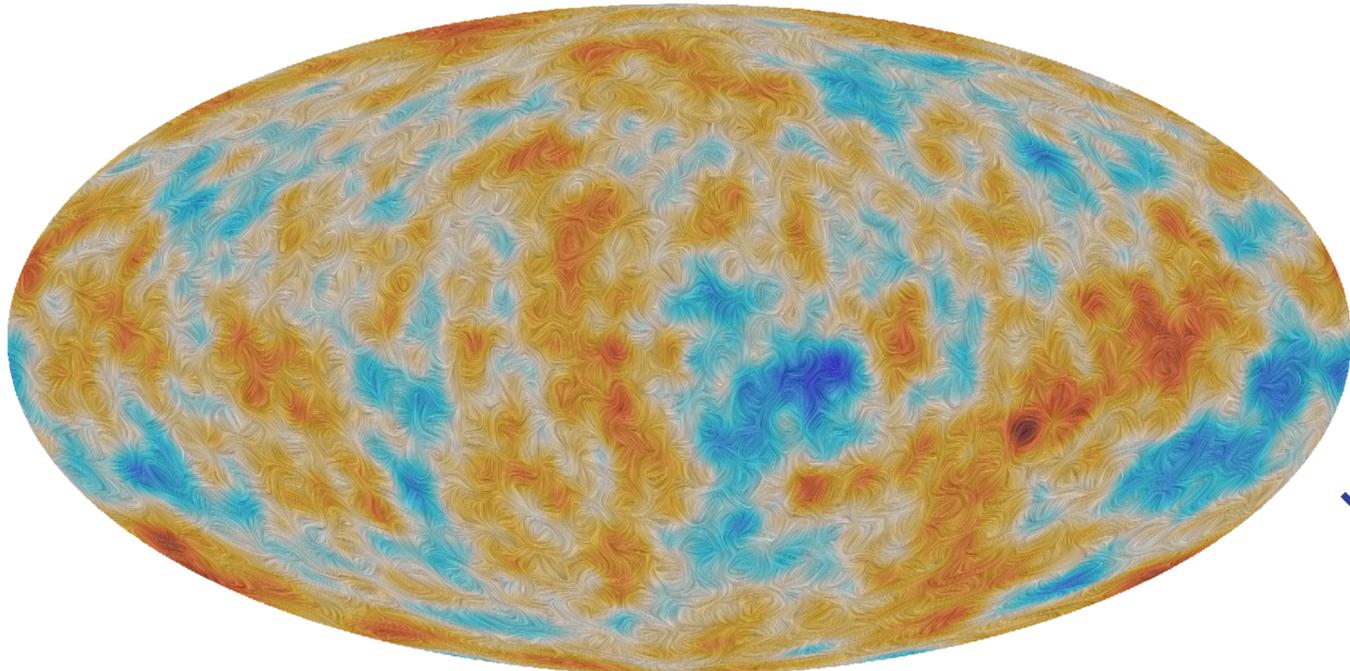
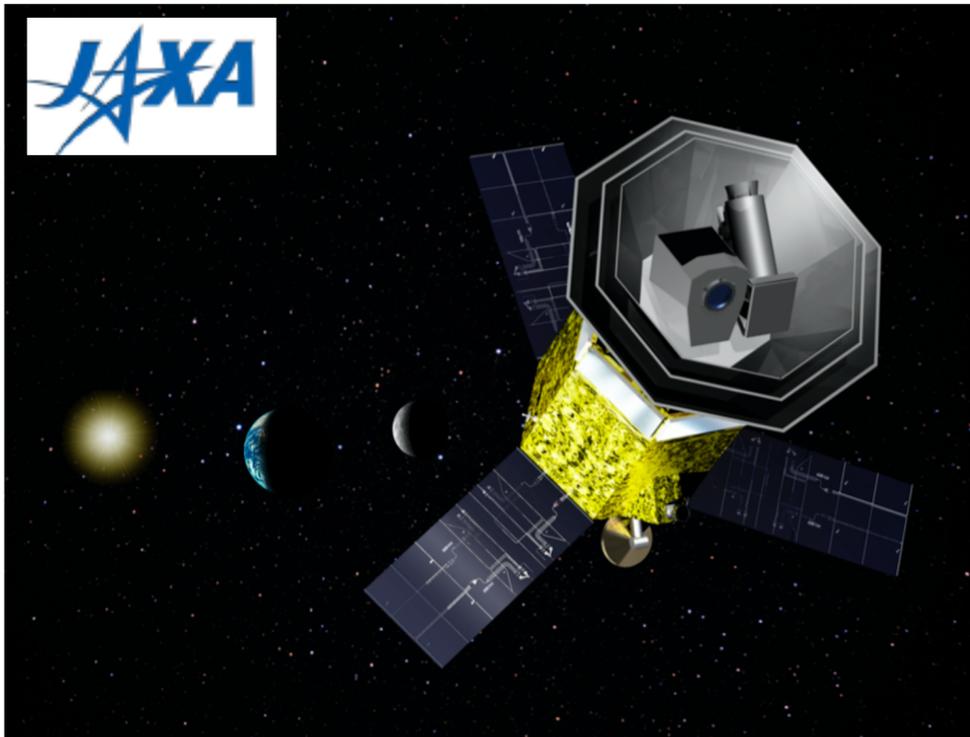


LiteBIRD Global F2F meeting  
Sep 28 - Oct 1, 2023 at Elba

# LiteBIRD overview

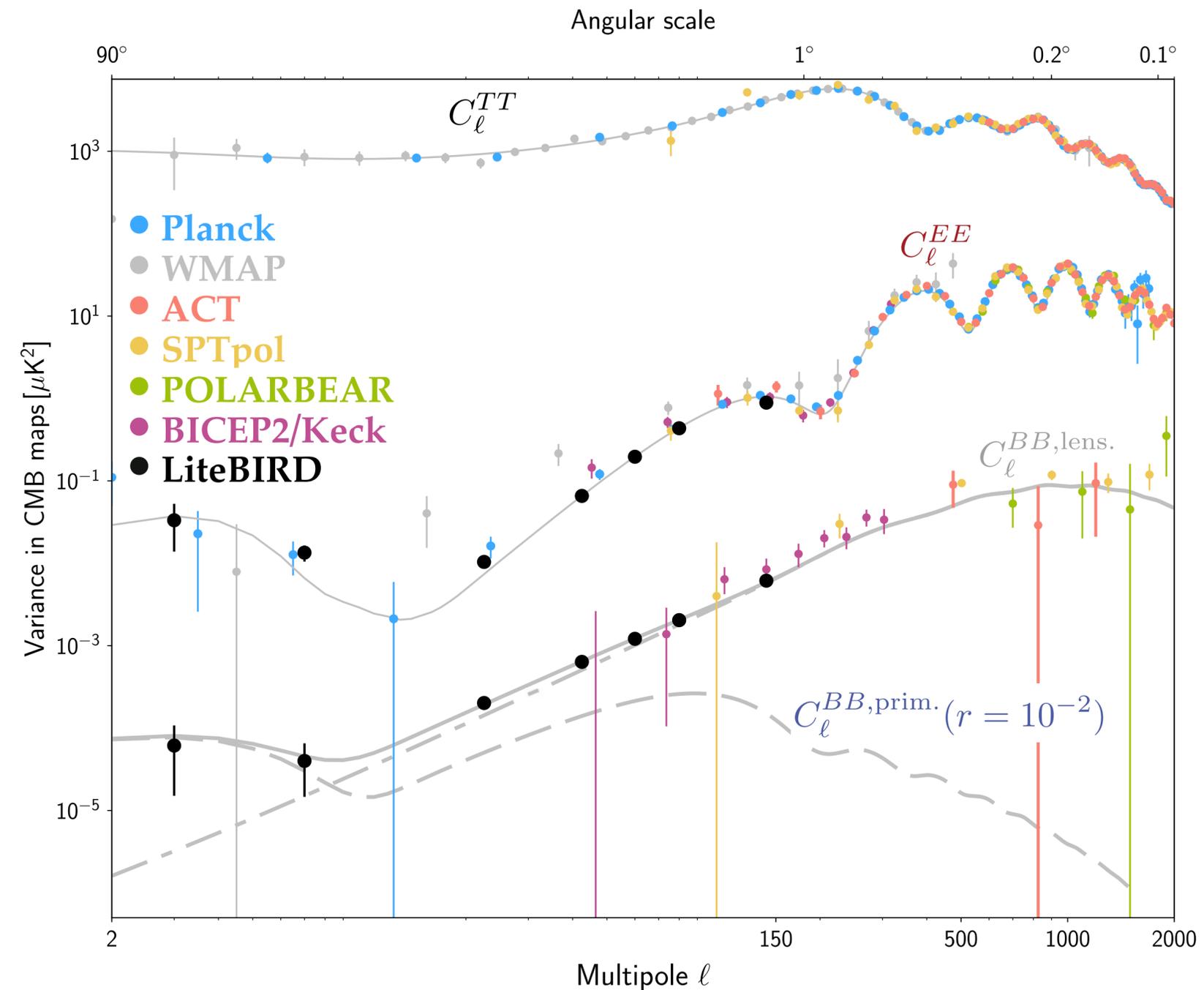
- Lite (Light) satellite for the study of *B*-mode polarization and Inflation from cosmic background Radiation Detection
- JAXA's L-class mission selected in May 2019
- Expected launch in **JFY 2032** with JAXA's H3 rocket
- **All-sky 3-year survey**, from Sun-Earth Lagrangian point L2
- Large frequency coverage (**40–402 GHz**, 15 bands) at **70–18 arcmin** angular resolution for precision measurements of the **CMB *B*-modes**
- Final combined sensitivity: **2.2  $\mu\text{K}\cdot\text{arcmin}$**

LiteBIRD collaboration  
PTEP 2023



# LiteBIRD main scientific objectives

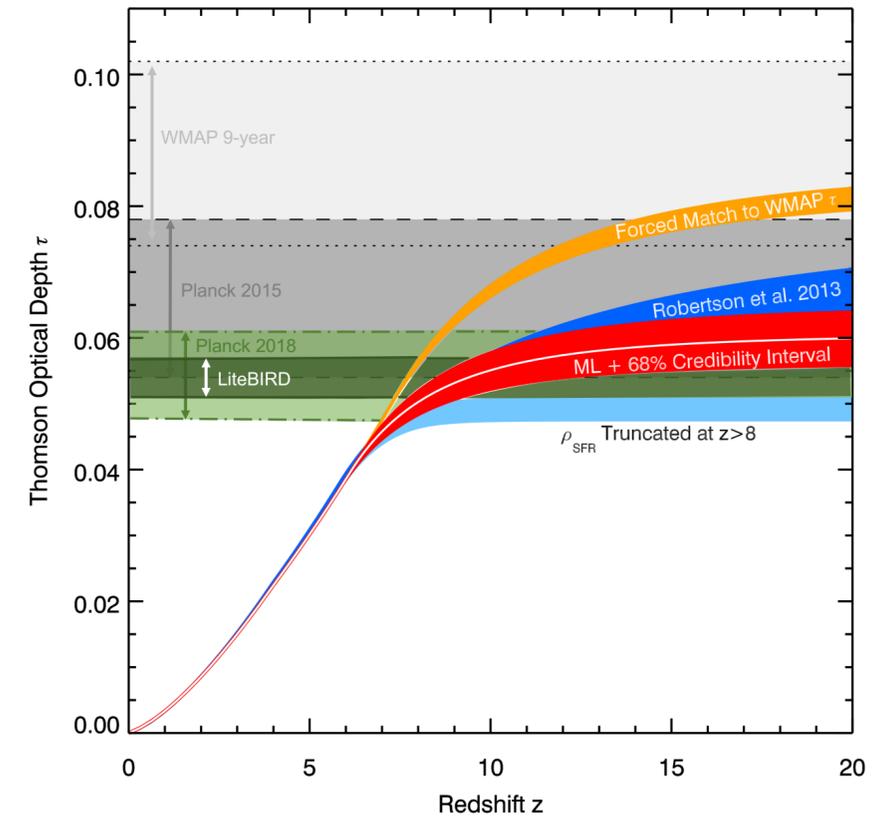
- Definitive search for the ***B*-mode signal** from **cosmic inflation** in the CMB polarization
  - Making a discovery or ruling out well-motivated inflationary models
  - Insight into the quantum nature of gravity
- The inflationary (i.e. primordial) *B*-mode power is proportional to the **tensor-to-scalar ratio,  $r$**
- Current best constraint:  $r < 0.032$  (95% C.L.)  
(📖 Tristram et al. 2022, combining BK18 and Planck PR4)
- LiteBIRD will improve current sensitivity on  $r$  by a factor  $\sim 50$
- L1-requirements (no external data):
  - For  $r = 0$ , **total uncertainty of  $\delta r < 0.001$**
  - For  $r = 0.01$ , 5- $\sigma$  detection of the reionization ( $2 < \ell < 10$ ) and recombination ( $11 < \ell < 200$ ) peaks independently
- L2-requirements:
  - $\sigma_{\text{stat}} < 6 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $\sigma_{\text{sys}} < 6 \times 10^{-4}$
  - Additional security margin of  $\sigma_{\text{margin}} < 6 \times 10^{-4}$



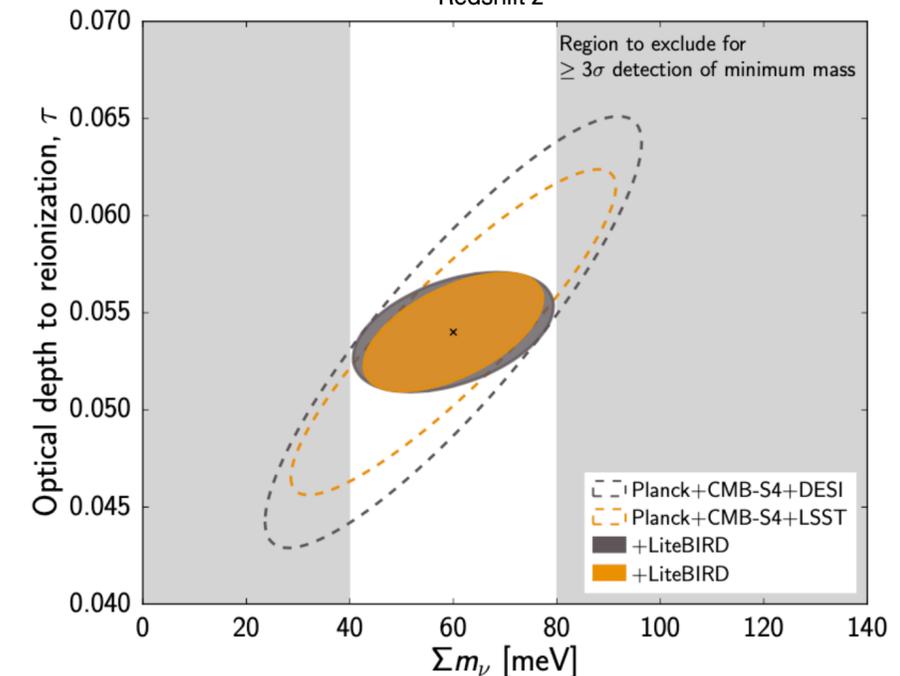
# LiteBIRD other science outcomes



- The mission specifications are driven by the required sensitivity on  $r$
- Meeting those sensitivity requirements would allow to address other important scientific topics, such as:
  1. Characterize the  $B$ -mode power spectrum and search for source fields (e.g. scale-invariance, non-Gaussianity, parity violation, ...)
  2. Power spectrum features in polarization
    - Large-scale  **$E$ -modes**
    - **Reionization** (improve  $\sigma(\tau)$  by a factor of 3)
    - **Neutrino mass** ( $\sigma(\sum m_\nu) = 12 \text{ meV}$ )
  3. Constraints on **cosmic birefringence**
  4. **SZ effect** (thermal, diffuse, relativistic corrections)
  5. Constraints on **primordial magnetic fields**
  6. Elucidating **anomalies**
  7. **Galactic science**
    - Characterizing the foreground SED
    - Large-scale Galactic magnetic field
    - Models of dust polarization



adapted from  
Robertson+2015



adapted from  
Calabrese+2017

# Optical depth, reionization and neutrino masses



- LiteBIRD will provide a cosmic-variance limited measurement of the **E-mode** power spectrum at large scales ( $2 < \ell < 200$ )

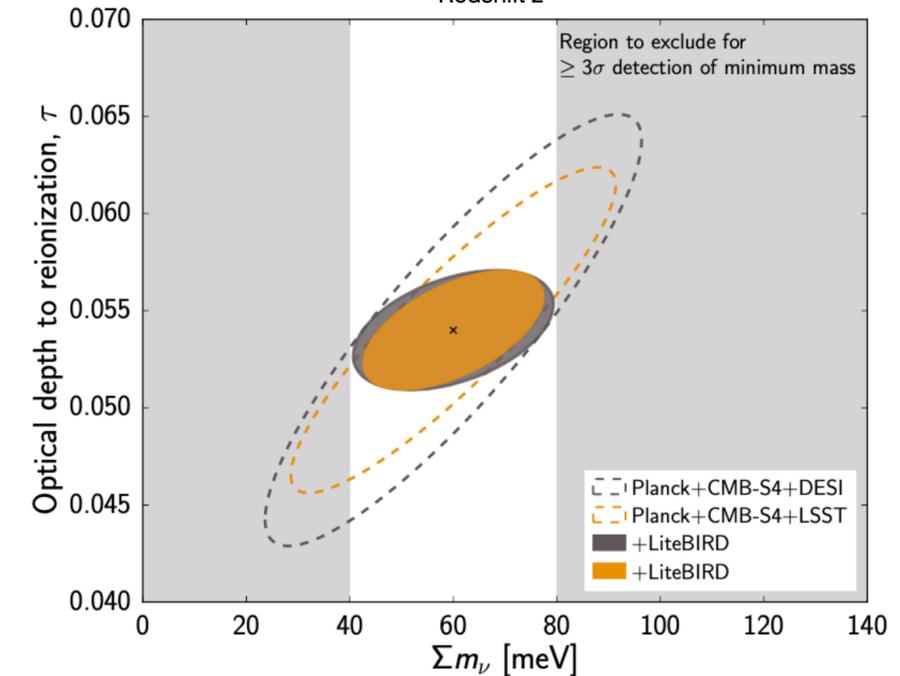
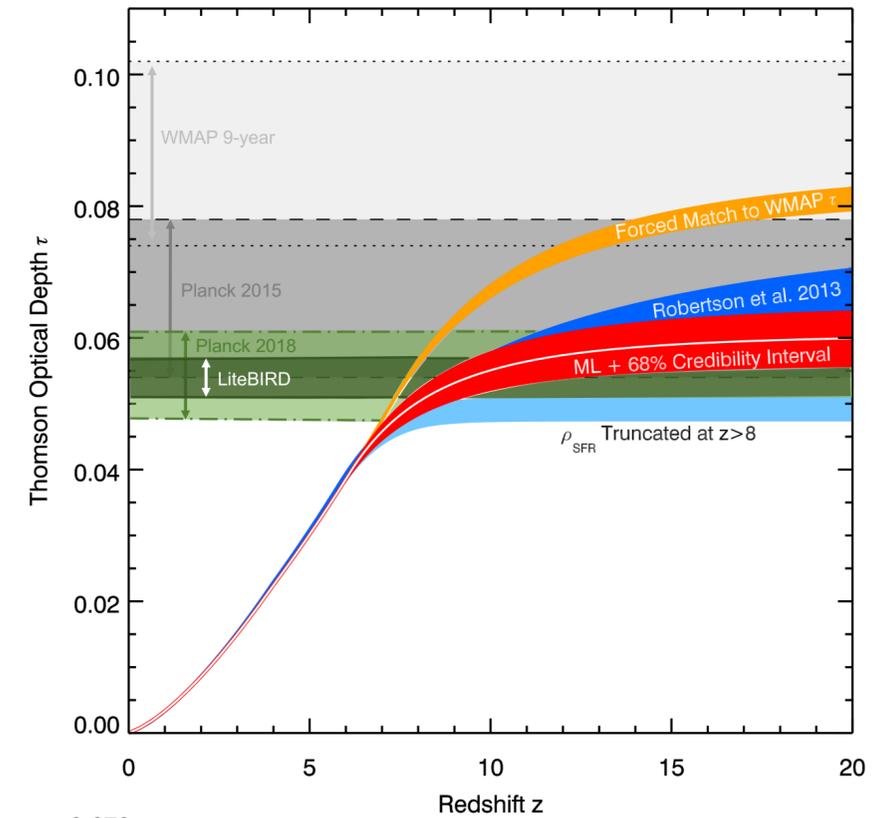
- This will lead to improved constraints on:

- **Reionization**

- Cosmic-variance measurement of the **optical depth** to reionization  $\Rightarrow \sigma(\tau) \approx 0.002 \Rightarrow \times 3$  improvement with respect to Planck (📖 Planck Int.Res. LVII, 2020)
- Improved constraints on reionization history models: 35% improvement on the uncertainty of  $\Delta(z_{\text{reion}})$

- **Neutrino masses**

- $\times 2$  improvement on  $\sigma(\sum m_\nu)$
- $\sigma(\sum m_\nu) = 12 \text{ meV} \Rightarrow 5\sigma$  detection for a minimum value of  $\sum m_\nu = 60 \text{ meV}$  (allowed by flavour-oscillation experiments) or larger
- Potentially allow to distinguish between the inverted neutrino mass ordering and the normal ordering

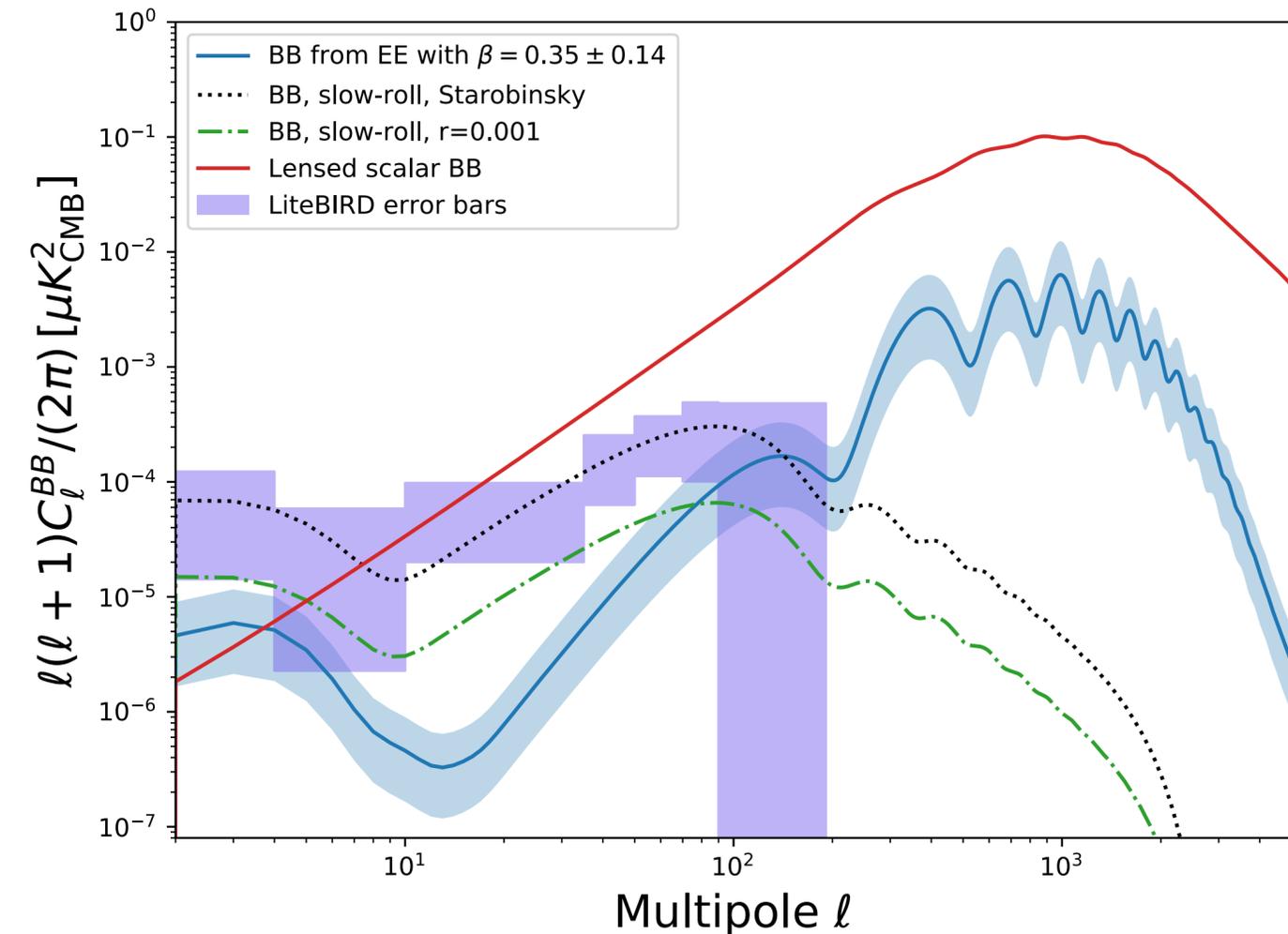


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# Constraints on cosmic birefringence

- **Cosmic birefringence** could be seeded by parity-violating processes in Universe
- Could occur if dark matter or dark energy are a pseudo-scalar field coupled to electromagnetism that changes sign under inversion of spatial coordinates
- Induces non-zero  $TB$  and  $EB$  and also a  $B$ -mode signal
- Constraints from the CMB must account jointly for i) a possible detector angle miscalibration (📖 Minami et al., 2019) and ii) a positive  $EB$  signal from Galactic foregrounds (📖 Diego-Palazuelos et al., 2022)
- Recent measurements show a tentative detection of a birefringence angle of  $\beta = (0.34 \pm 0.09)^\circ$  (📖 Eskilt & Komatsu 2022, from a combination of WMAP and Planck PR4)
- LiteBIRD has the potential to:
  - Reduce the error bar on a global  $\beta$  leading to a  **$\sim 10$ -sigma detection**
  - Produce a map of  $\beta$  to test for **cosmic-birefringence anisotropy**

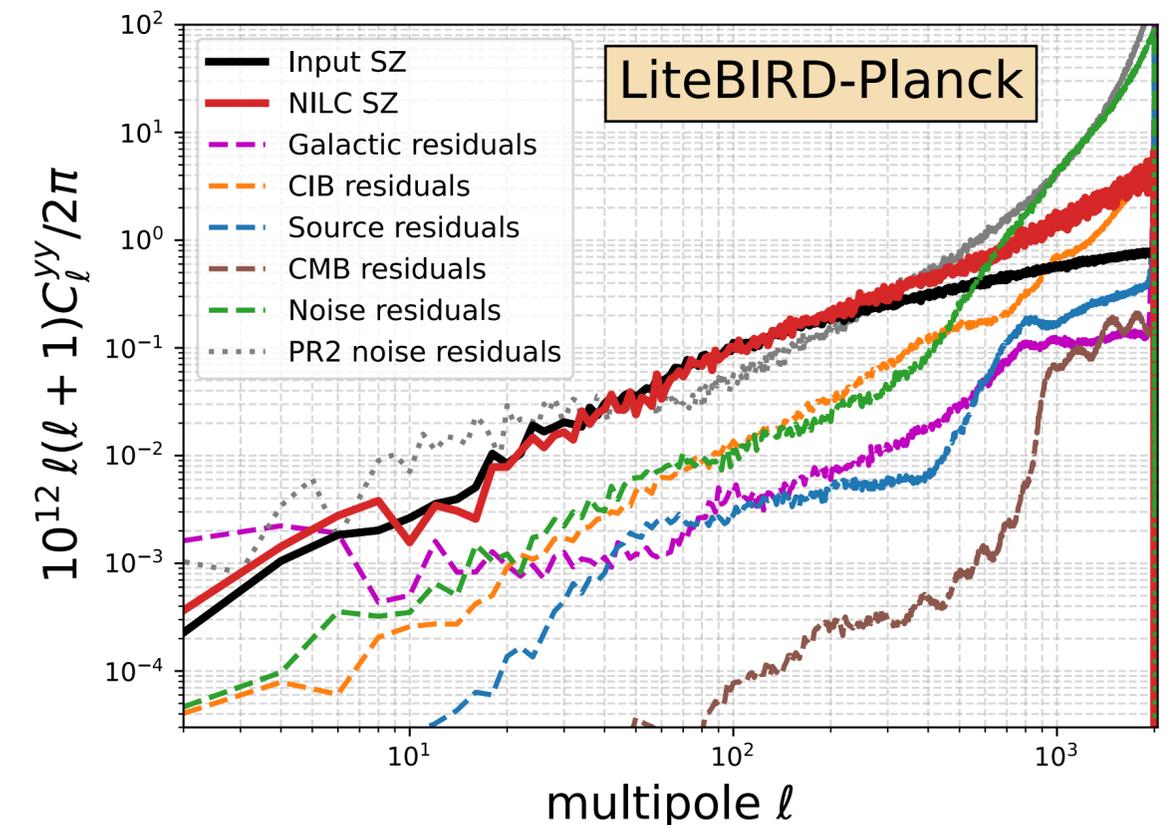
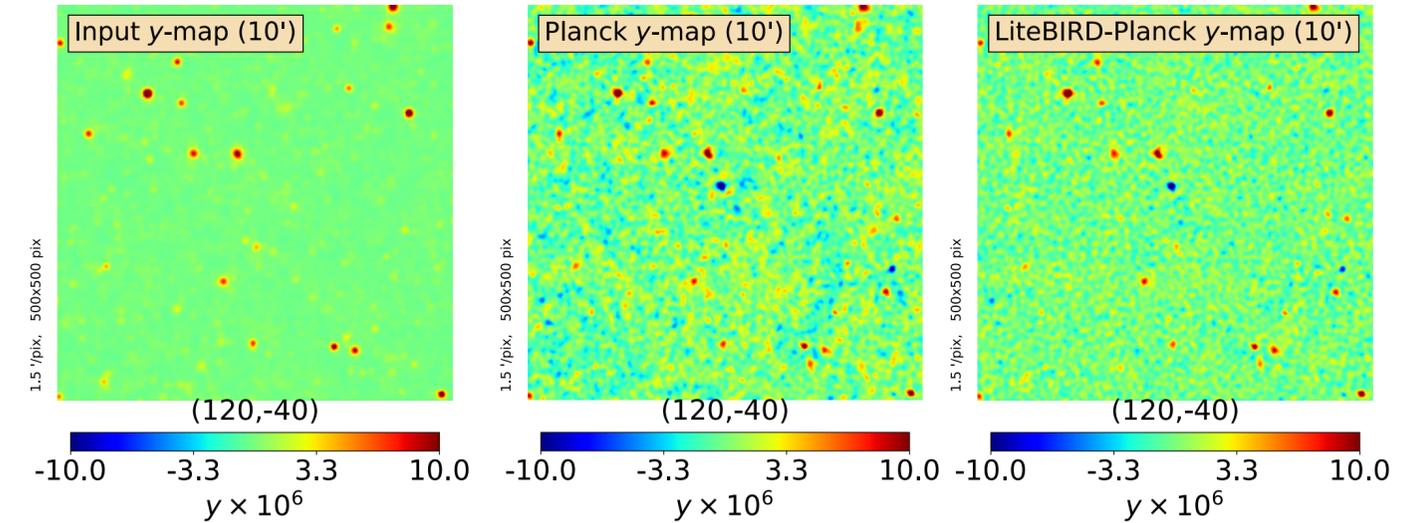


📖 LiteBIRD collaboration PTEP 2023

# Mapping the hot gas in the Universe



- The **Sunyaev-Zel'dovich** effect provides a mean to map the distribution of hot electrons in the Universe
- Improved sensitivity and frequency coverage of LiteBIRD crucially contributes to improve these studies
- Combination with Planck adds the benefit of angular resolution
- LiteBIRD will **improve  $\times 10$  the noise in the SZ map** wrt Planck
- This will allow to:
  - Produce a high-fidelity SZ map over the full-sky essentially **free of contamination at  $\ell < 200$**
  - Test theories of structure formation via **hot-gas tomography** from SZ  $\times$  galaxy surveys correlations
  - Search for **WHIM** in filaments connecting clusters
  - Study an **inhomogeneous reionization** process via cross-correlations of SZ  $\times$  CMB optical depth
  - Measure the mean gas  $T_e$  via the relativistic SZ
  - Improve constraints on  $S_8 = \sigma_8(\Omega_m/0.3)^{0.5}$  by 15%

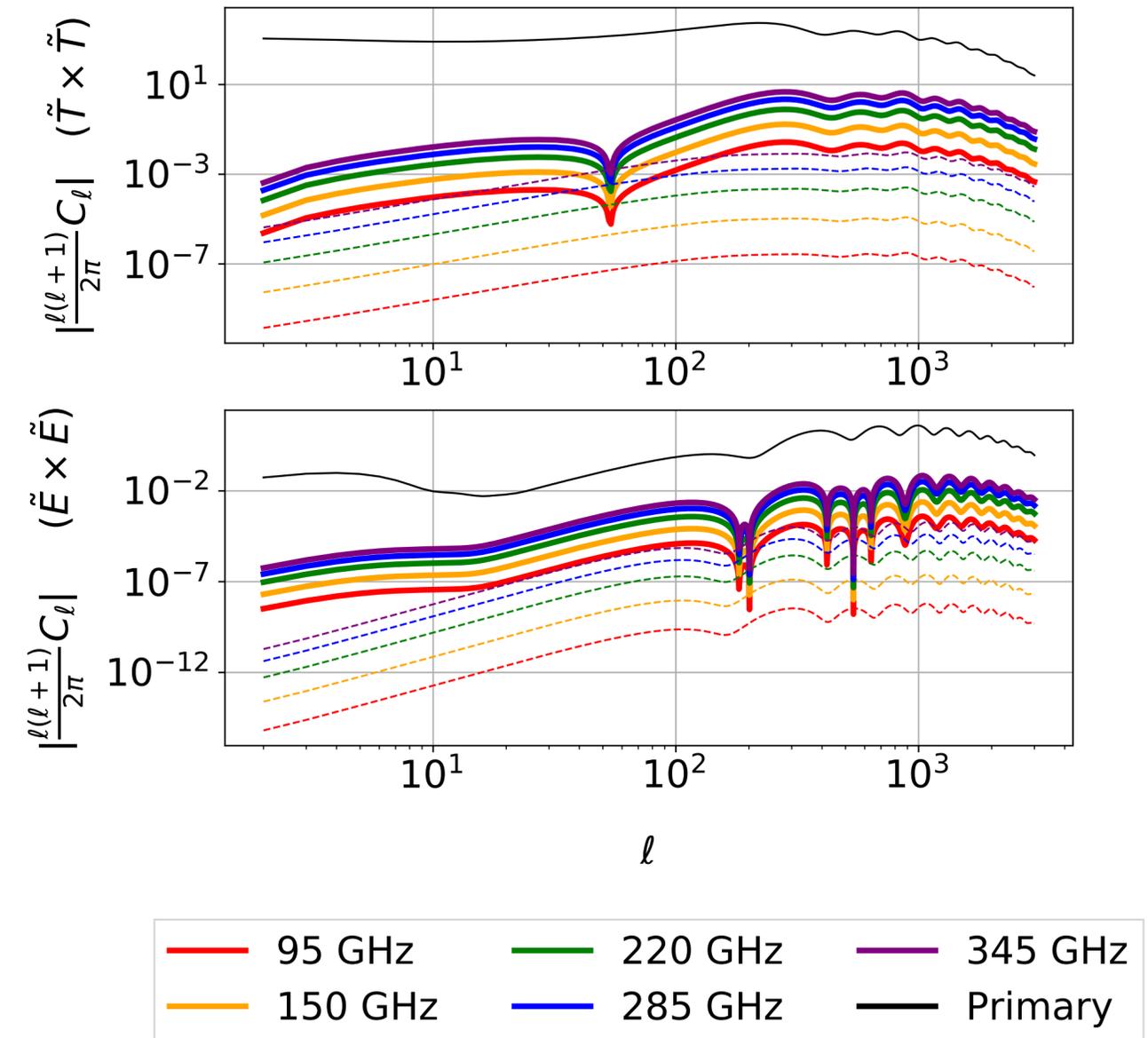


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# Anisotropic CMB spectral distortions



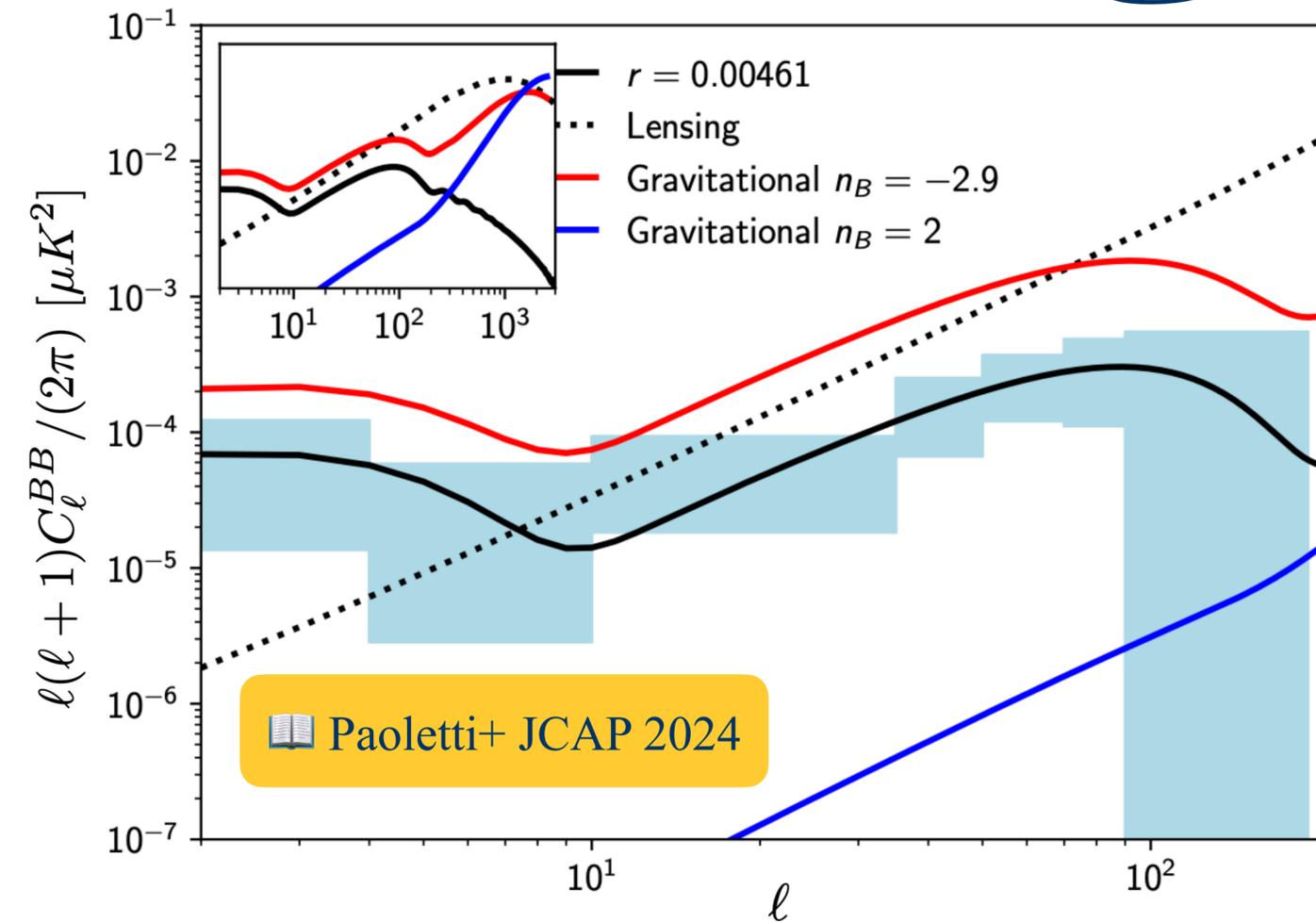
- LiteBIRD will be sensitive to any **spatially-varying CMB spectral distortion**, beyond the SZ effect
  - **Rayleigh scattering**. LiteBIRD will have sensitivity to measure at **25-sigma** (📖 Beringue et al. 2021) the frequency-dependent CMB anisotropies due to Rayleigh scattering by HI at the LSS
    - ➔ Such a detection would allow to derive improved constraints on  $N_{\text{eff}}$  and  $\sum m_\nu$
  - **$\mu$  distortion**. LiteBIRD can detect an anisotropic  $\mu$  distortion induced by non-Gaussian fluctuations induced during inflation
    - ➔ This would offer a power test of inflation at its onset
  - **Axion decay**. LiteBIRD can look for polarized spectral distortions produced by resonant conversion of axions into photons by the Galactic magnetic field



📖 Dibert+ PhysRevD 2022

# Constraints on primordial magnetic fields

- Primordial magnetic fields (PMFs) affect the CMB via different effects:
  - **Gravitational effects** with magnetically-induced perturbations
  - Impact on the **ionization history** of the Universe due to their post-recombination dissipation
  - Induce a **Faraday rotation** of the CMB polarization
  - **Non-Gaussianity** induced in the CMB polarization anisotropies
- LiteBIRD:
  - Is a **sensitive probe** to PMFs through all these effects, thanks mainly to its remarkable sensitivity in polarization
  - Will **break the nG threshold** improving current upper limits by a factor of  $\sim 3$
  - Will be able to **univocally identify the PFMs contribution to CMB** by joining all these effects together
  - Will allow a detection of **nG fields** with high significance

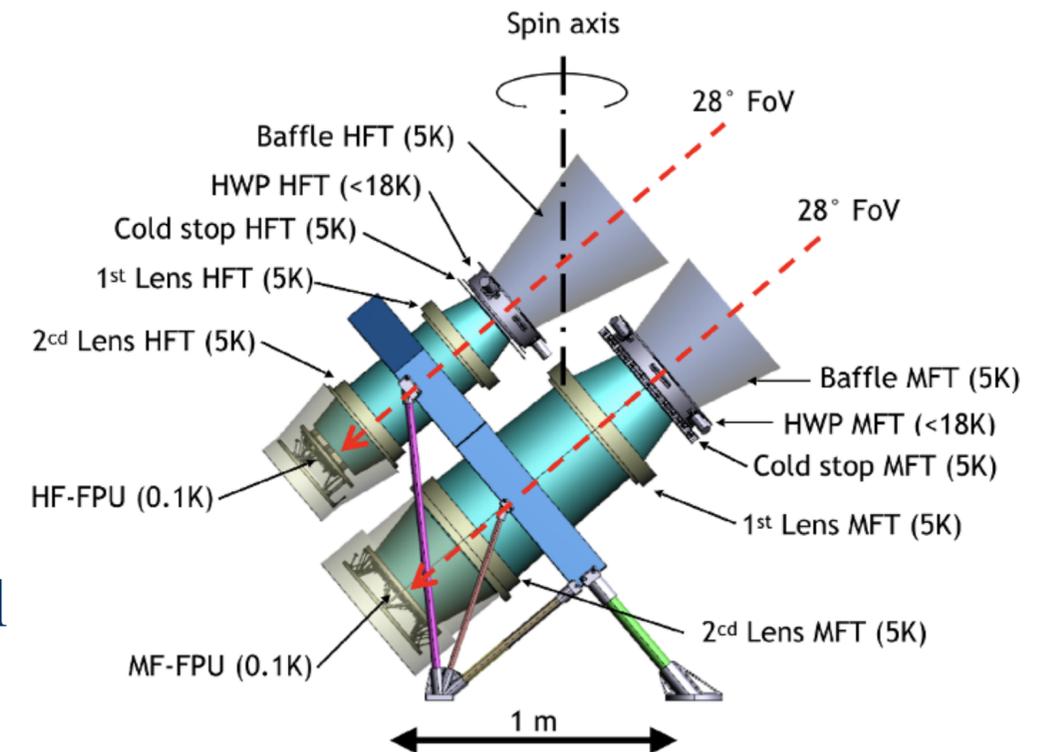
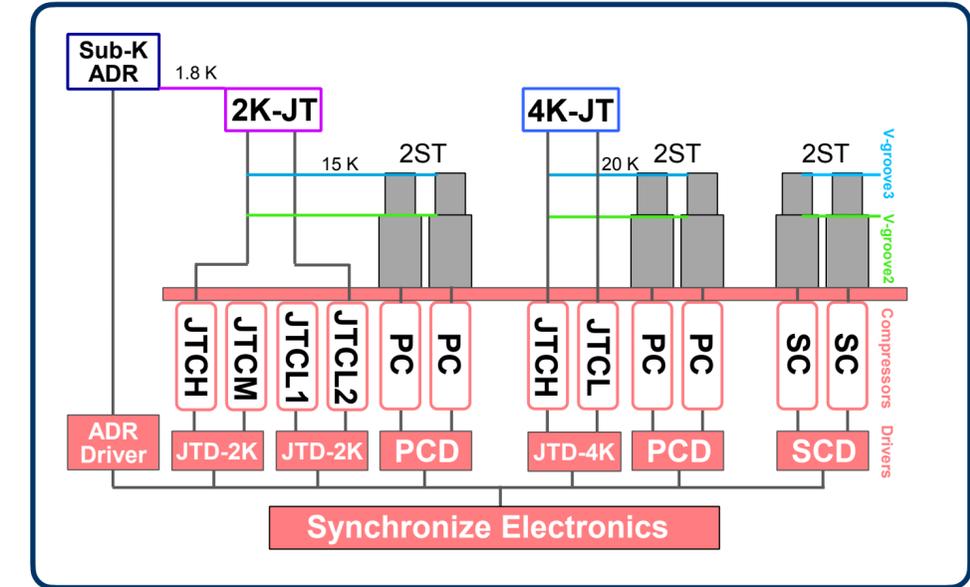


Upper limits on PMF amplitude for $n_B = -2.9$	
Gravitational effect	$B_{1\text{Mpc}} < 0.8 \text{ nG}$
Ionization history	$\sqrt{\langle B^2 \rangle} < 0.7 \text{ nG}$
Faraday rotation	$B_{1\text{Mpc}} < 3.2 \text{ nG}$
Non-Gaussianities	$B_{1\text{Mpc}} \approx 1 \text{ nG}$

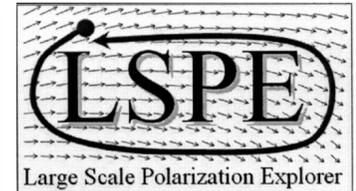
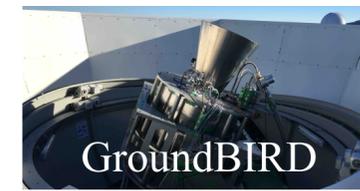
# IAC contributions to LiteBIRD



- Members: D. Adak, J.J. Díaz-García, R.T. Génova-Santos, R. González, C. Hernández-Monteagudo, J.A. Rubiño-Martín
- **Scientific preparation:**
  - Active participation in the **Calibration** (beams characterization) and **Foregrounds** (modelling of synchrotron emission) Joint Study Groups
  - Active participation in different forecast studies: **SZ effect**, **primordial magnetic fields**, **LSS/CMB** cross-correlations, sky models and component separation...
- Hardware development/implementation:
  - Design and implementation of the **Temperature Monitoring and Control System** (TMCS) for the Medium and High Frequency Telescopes (MHFT)
  - Responsibility of the Spanish LiteBIRD consortium (**IAC, IFCA, IDR/UPM**)
  - Goals:
    - Monitor the temperature of the MFHT 5, 2, 0.4 and 0.1 K stages
    - Compensate low-frequency thermal fluctuations in the 100 mK focal plane



# Conclusions



- **CMB temperature anisotropies** have played a key role in establishing the  $\Lambda$ CDM model, providing insights into **structure formation**, density of **baryons**, **DM**, **DE**, **Neff**, and the global properties of space-time.
- Future CMB polarization observations with improved sensitivity will allow to constrain **B-modes** and in turn shed information about the physical properties of the mechanism seeded the initial density perturbations (**cosmic inflation**)
- Reaching the required sensitivities is a major technological challenge (**sensitivity**, **systematics**, **foregrounds**)
- Current best upper limit:  $r < 0.032$  (📖 Tristram et al. 2022)
- The future **LiteBIRD** mission, to be launched in 2032, will reach  $\sigma(r) = 0.001$
- In the interim, ground-based experiments (or even balloon-borne), like **GroundBIRD** and **LSPE** will aim to reach  $\sigma(r) = 0.005-0.01$
- Beyond gravitational waves (tensor modes):
  - **Reionization history**
  - **Neutrino masses**
  - **Cosmic birefringence**
  - **Primordial Magnetic Fields**
  - **Galactic science...**

