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# Status of the Euclid mission in flight

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# Overview

- The objectives of the mission
- The Euclid design and its instruments
- Status in flight
- Euclid Images and more







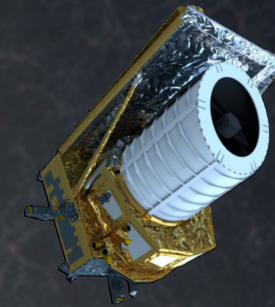
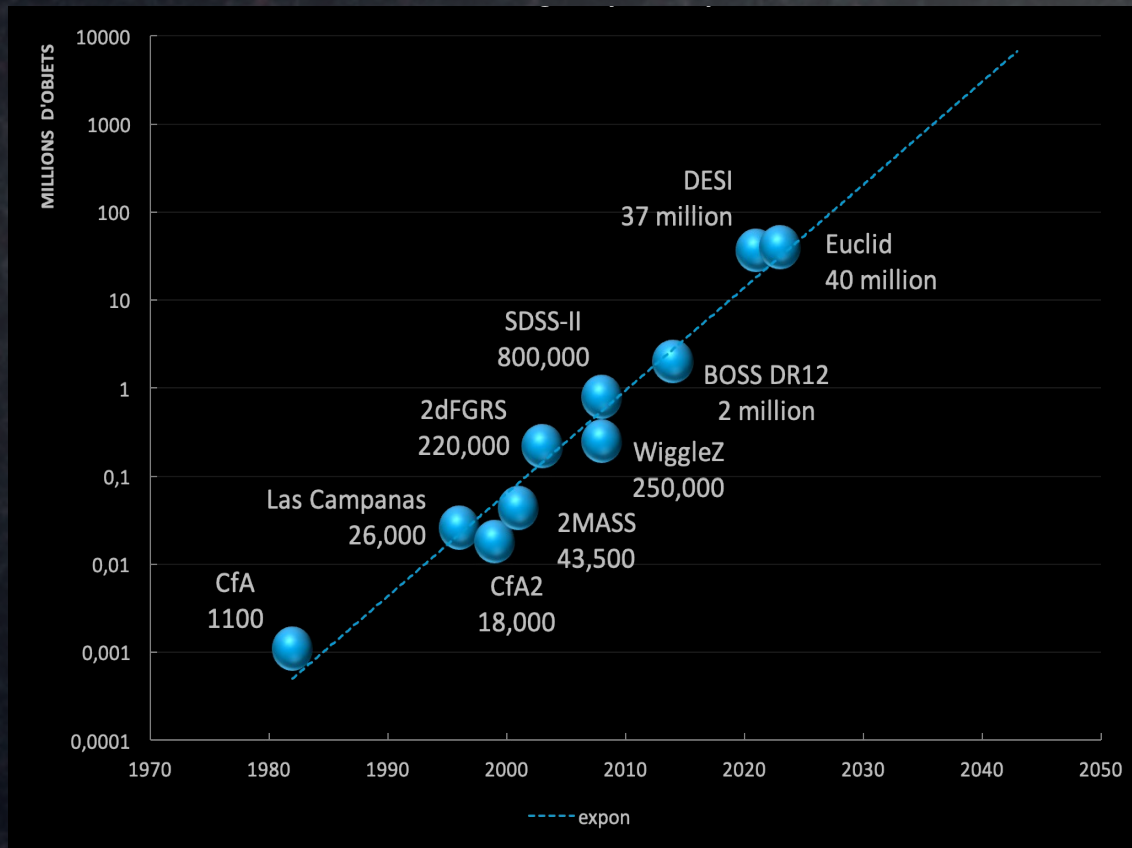
# Scientific objectives of the Euclid mission

## Unraveling the nature of the dark side of the Universe

- Understand the reason for the acceleration of the expansion of the Universe
- Unravel the nature of Dark Energy & Dark Matter
- Test beyond General relativity



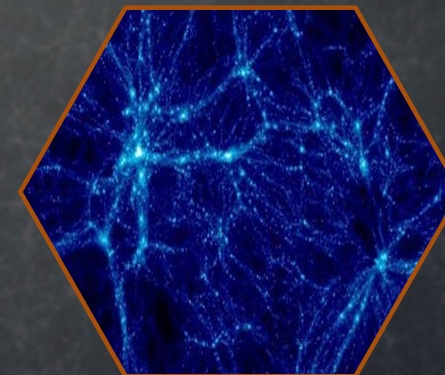
# Stage IV spectroscopic galaxy surveys



Two primary probes:

Galaxy clustering

Weak lensing



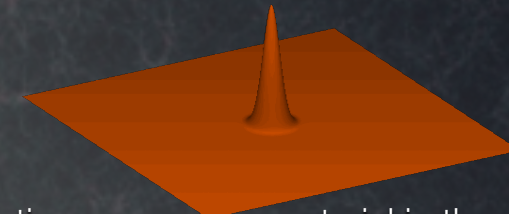
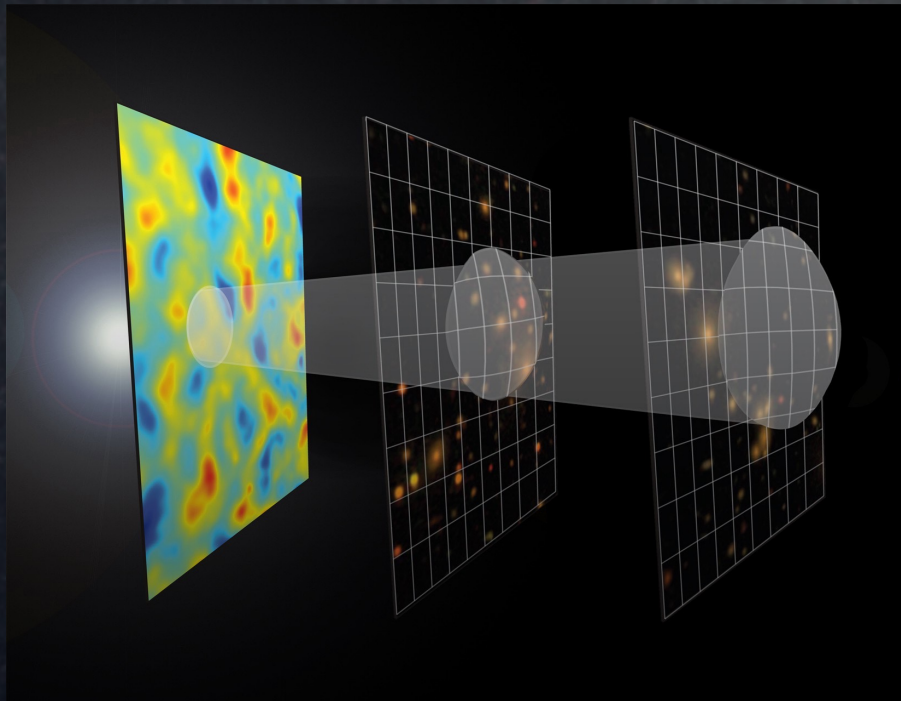
Dark energy

Dark matter

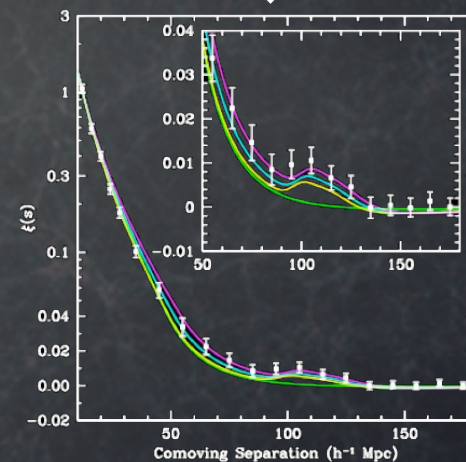


# Galaxy clustering

## Baryon Acoustic Oscillation (BAO) as a standard ruler



Acoustic waves move material in the early (<300,000 years) universe



Eisenstein et al. 2005

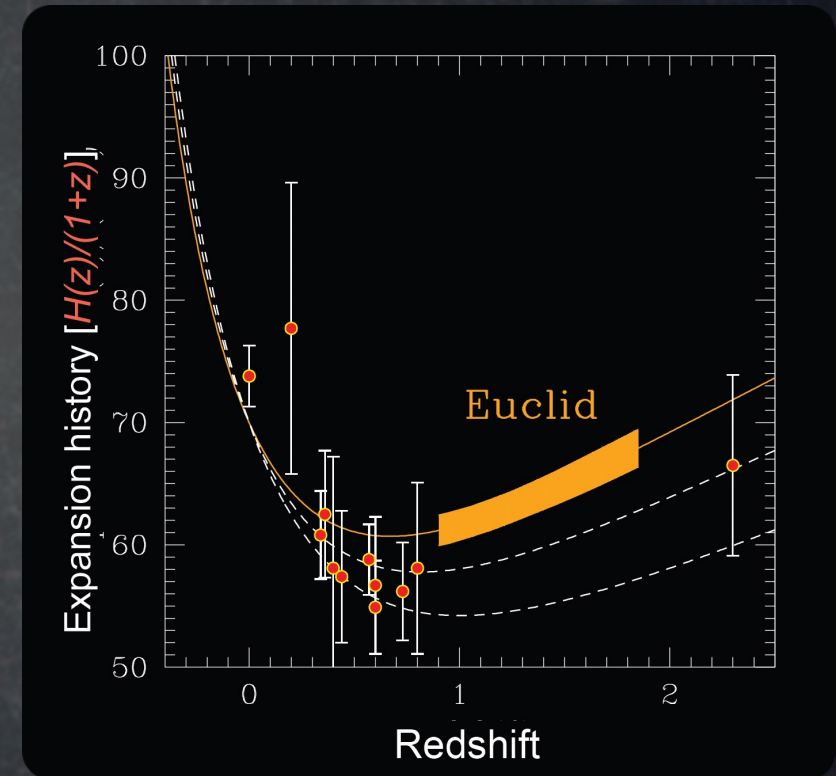
The projected scale of the acoustic waves gives a standard ruler with which to measure the universe



# Galaxy clustering

## BAO as a standard ruler

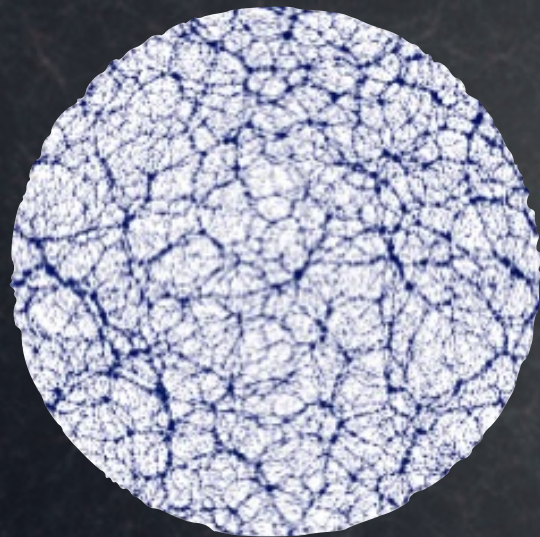
Sensitive to the expansion history  $H(z)$  of the Universe and to the angular diameter distance  $D_A(z)$



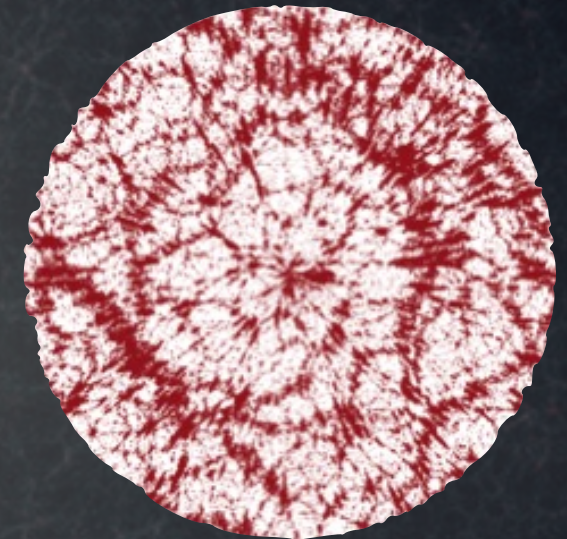
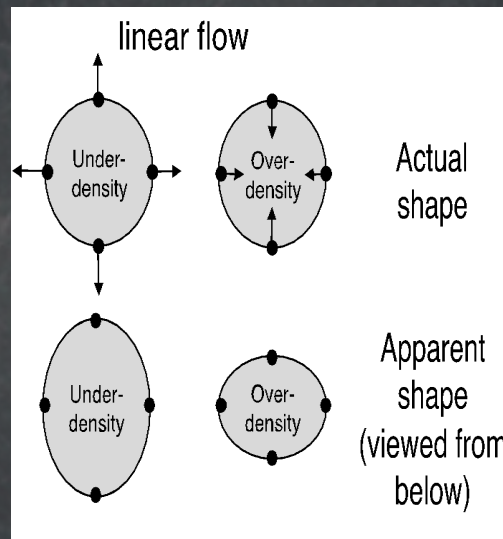


# Galaxy clustering

## Redshift Space Distortions (RSD)



Real space distribution



Redshift space distribution

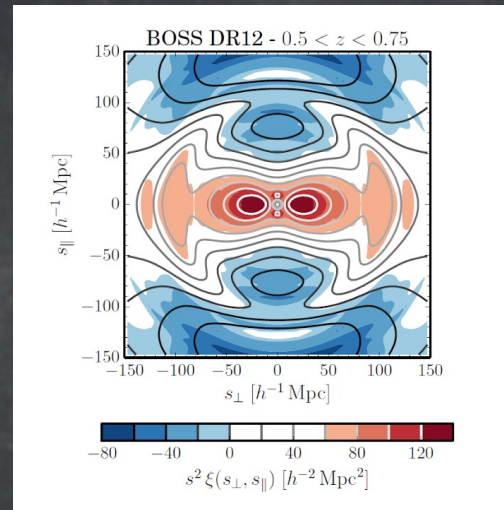
H. A. Feldman  
<https://feldman.ku.edu/>



# Galaxy clustering

## Using RSD to measure structure growth

$$\xi(\mathbf{r}_p, \pi)$$



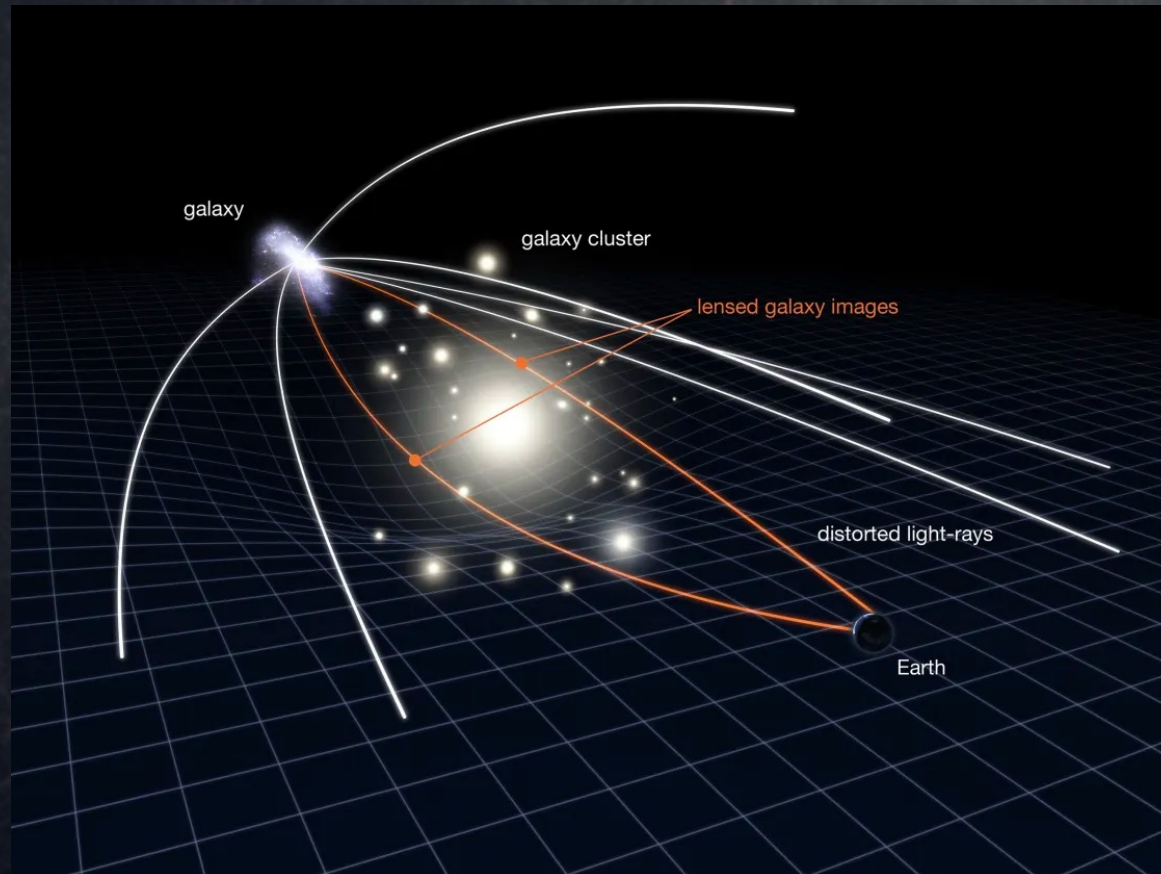
Alam et al 2016 (BOSS)

Anisotropic BAO ring

RSD probe the growth rate of structure, and density-velocity relation  
→ Test beyond general relativity



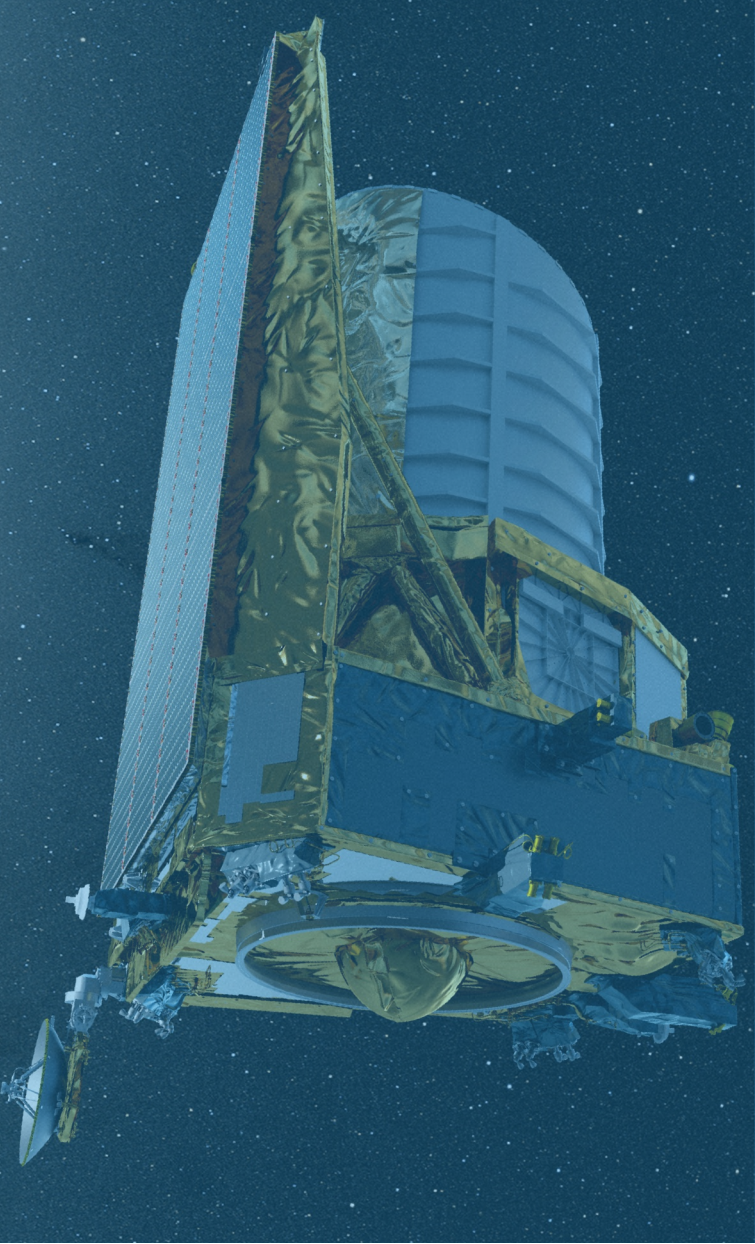
# Weak lensing



Large-scale structures bend light from background galaxy, resulting in a coherent deformation at few arcmin scale at few percent level

- Direct measurement of gravitational potential along the line of sight
- Redshift mass map
- **Sensitivity to growth rate**
- **Sensitivity to expansion history**





# The Euclid design & its instruments



# Euclid in numbers

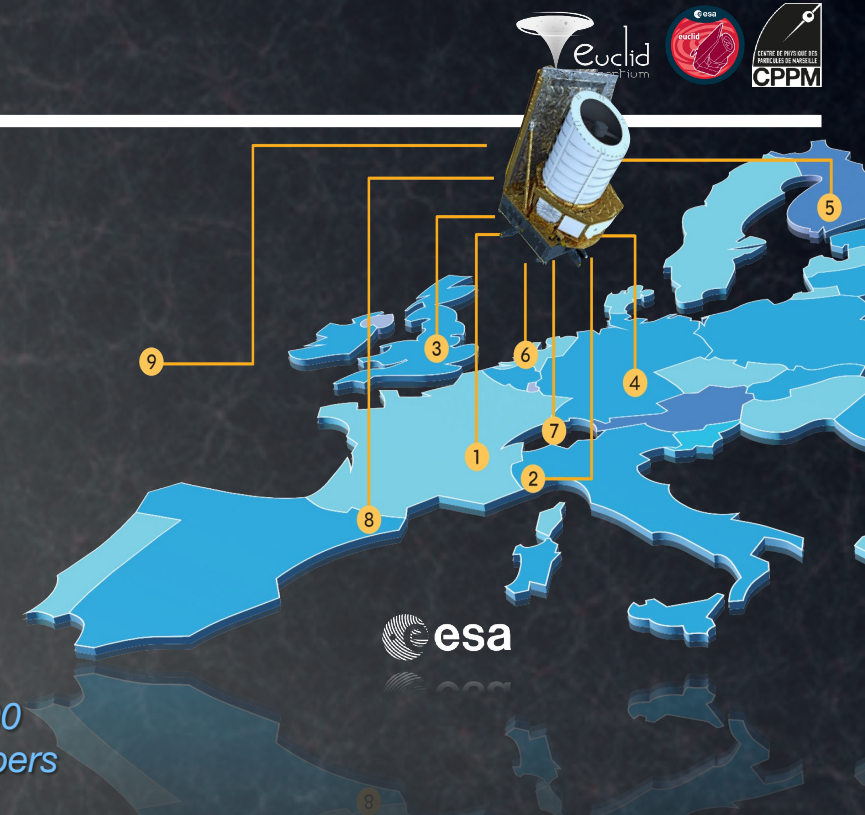
## European Project



285  
Laboratories



2000  
Members

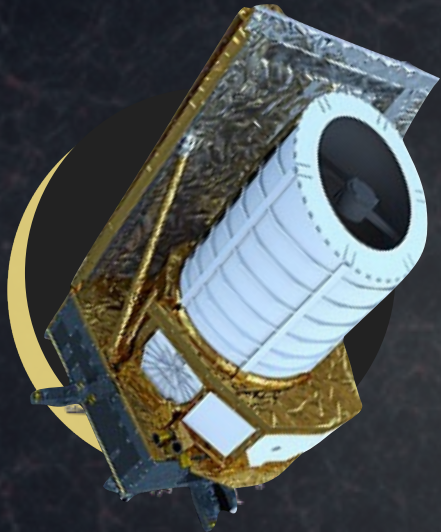


**Euclid is a ESA mission**  
*(European Space Agency)*

France has its scientific  
leadership



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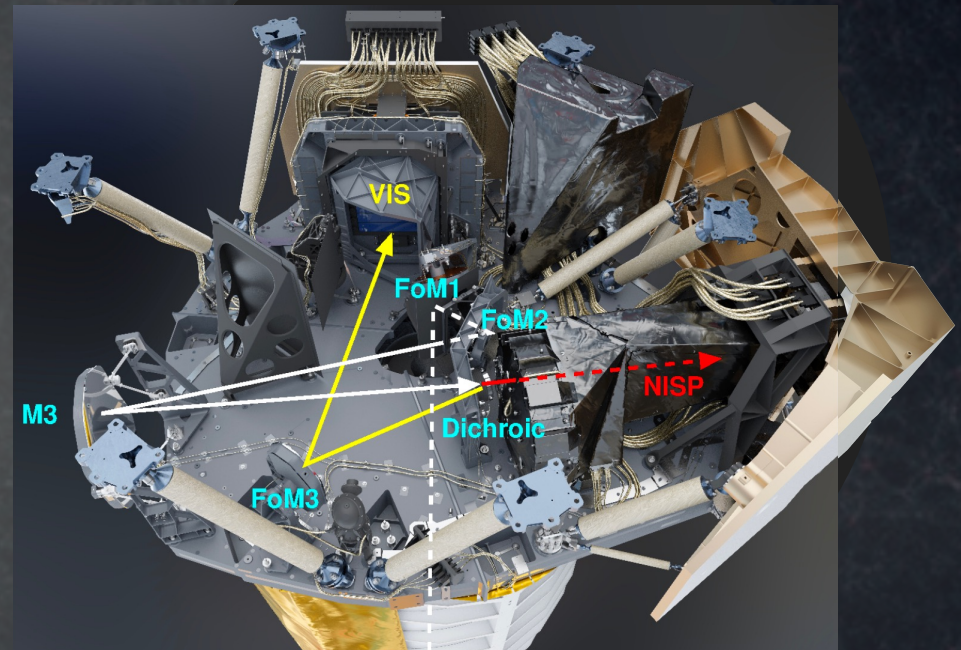


Satellite: *Thales Alenia Space*  
2200 kg  
4,7m × 3.7m × 3.7m



Mirrors: *Airbus Defence & Space*  
Korsch design of 1.2 m in diameter

2 instruments: *scientific consortium*









# The VIS instrument

## Wide band visible imaging camera

36 e2V CCD camera  $\Rightarrow$  609 Mpx

Angular resolution : 0.1 arcs/px

Spectral range : 530 - 920 nm

## Active area

877 cm<sup>2</sup>

## Thermal isolation layer

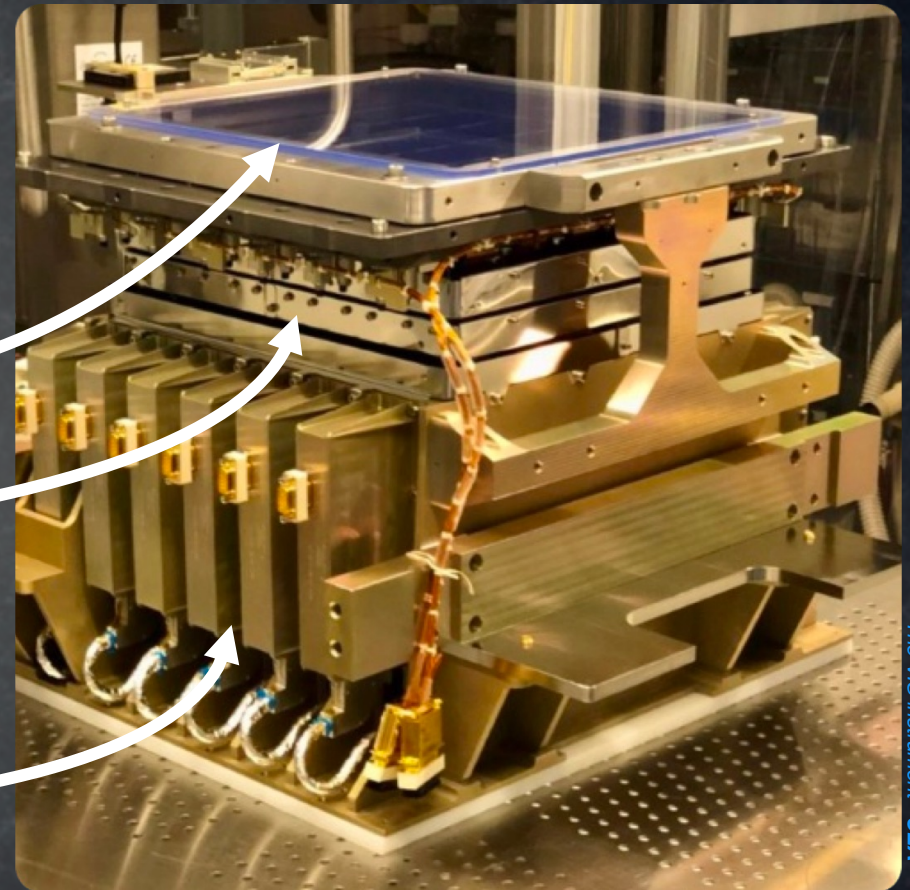
Different operational temperatures:

CCD  $\rightarrow \approx 153$  K

Read Out Electronic (ROE)  $\rightarrow \approx 270$  K

## ROE

Signal amplifier + Analog to Digital converter  
FPGA for CCD operation



Calibration unit  
& Shutter not represent on this picture

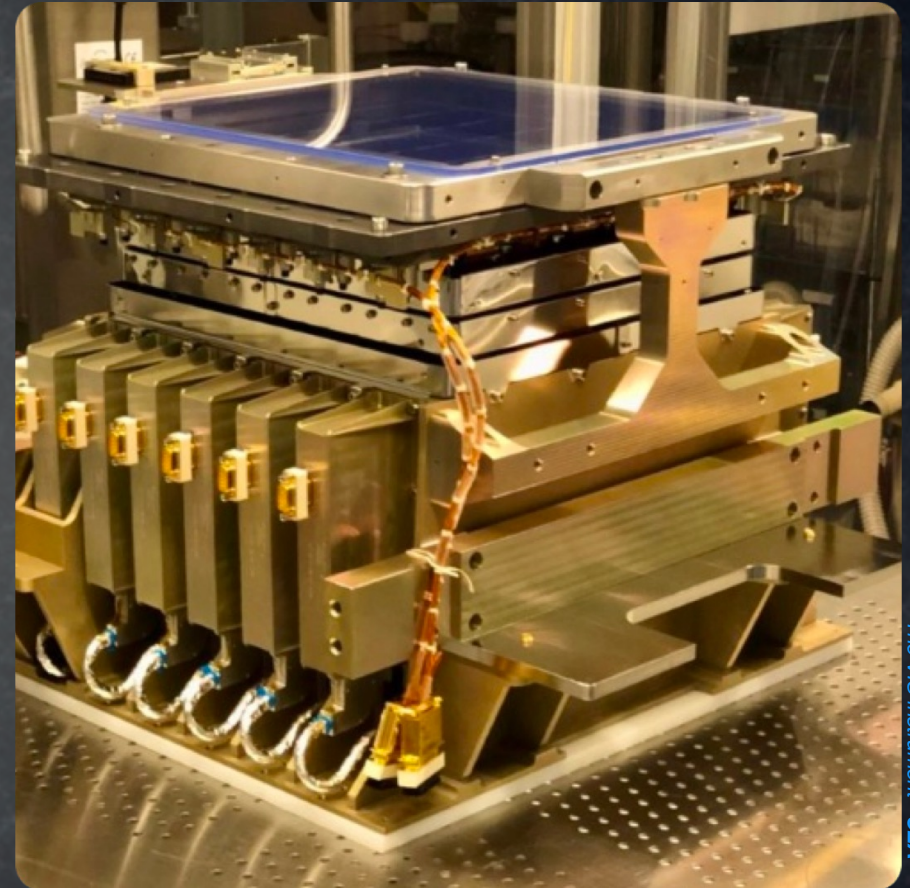


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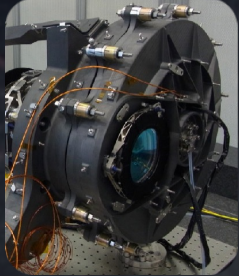
The VIS camera is designed to **measure galaxy ellipticities** with **accurate control on systematics** (optical, instrumental, astrophysical, ...)



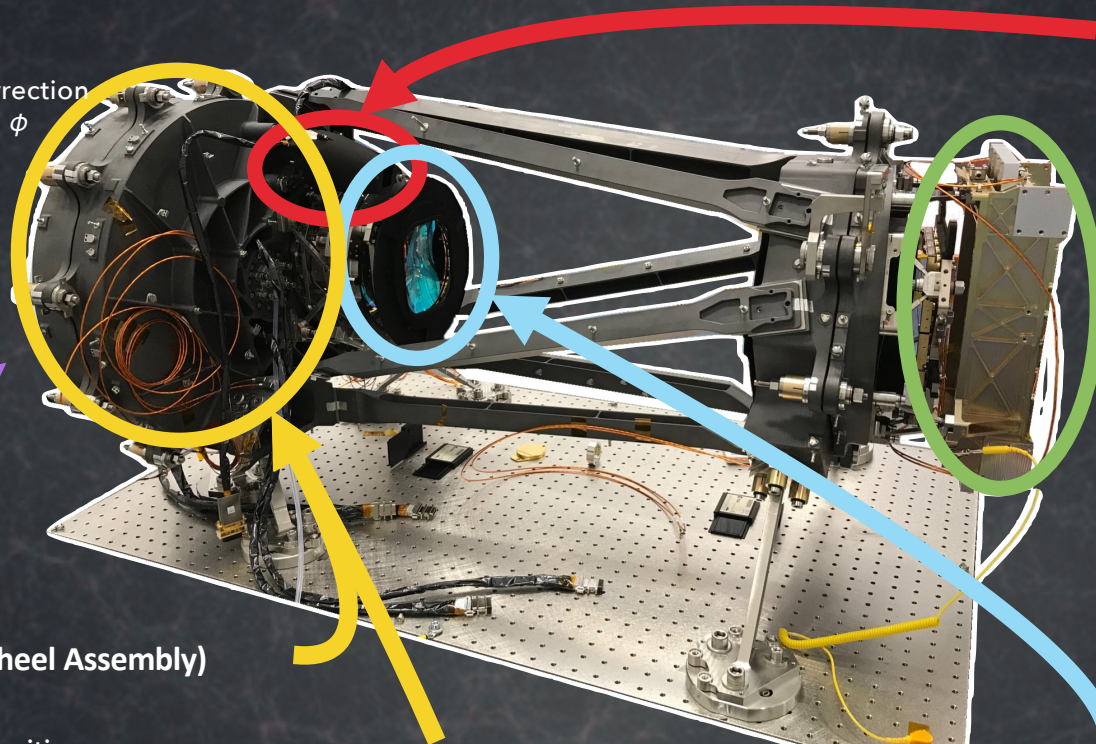


# An overview of the NISP instrument

## Corrector lens:



- Entrance pupil
- Wave front correction
- Lense  $\approx 20\text{ cm } \phi$

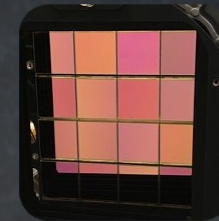


## The NISP calibration unit:



- $2 \times 5\text{ LED} \rightarrow 5\lambda$
- Used for flat field and detector calibration
- 2 set of LED for redundancy

## The NISP focal plane:



- 16 Near IR detectors
- $2\text{k} \times 2\text{k}$  pixels/detectors
- Cooled down to  $T \approx 95\text{ K}$

The largest Near Infrared focal plane in space

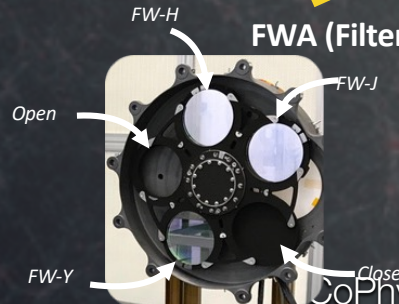
## GWA (Grism Wheel Assembly)

- 4 Grism
- 1 Open position



## FWA (Filter Wheel Assembly)

- 3 Filters
- 1 Open position
- 1 Close position



## Camera lens:

- Collimate light onto focal plane array
- Combination of 4 lenses of  $20\text{ cm } \phi$
- Heaviest lense =  $1.5\text{ kg}$



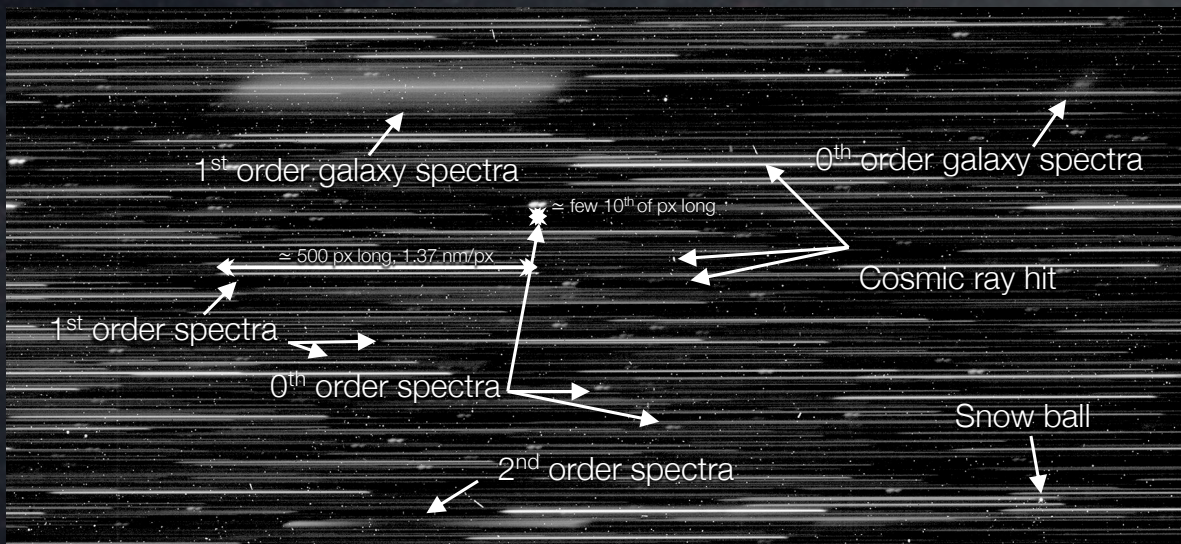
Among the largest and heaviest lenses ever sent to space.

RGS000  
RGS270  
RGS180  
Open  
Open  
RGS000  
S. Escoffier

FW-H  
FW-J  
Open  
FW-Y  
Close  
CoPhy, Lyon, May 2024



# Slitless spectroscopy with NISP



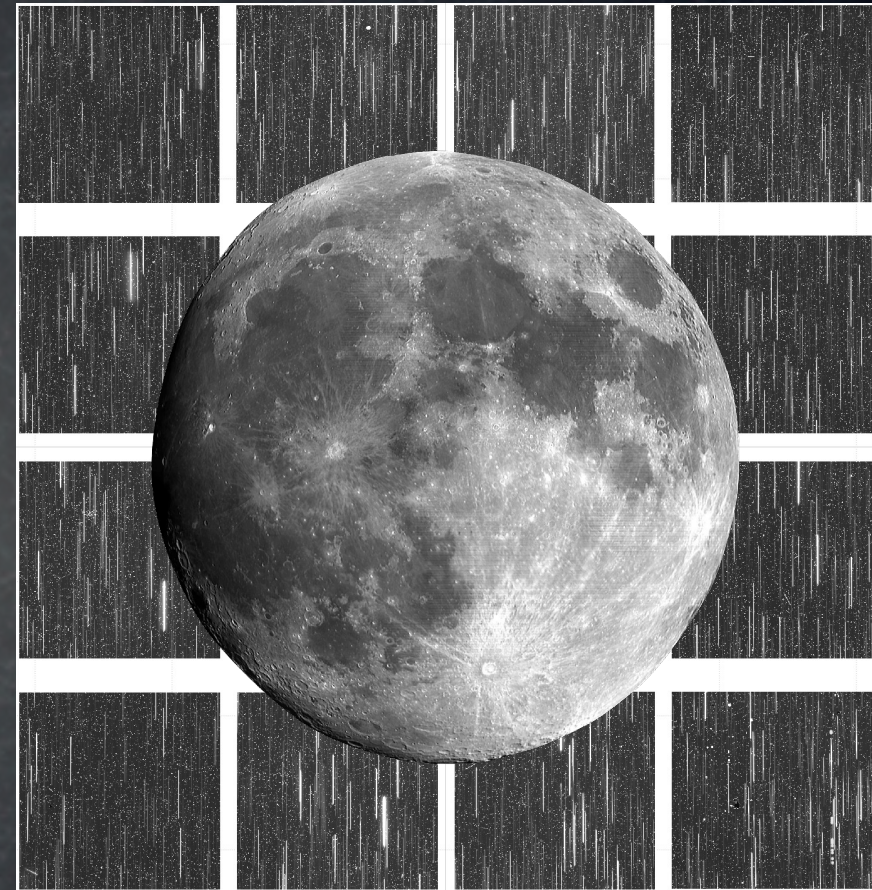
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## Advantage:

- ➔ Spectrogram for all visible sources in the field of view.
- ➔  $> 1700$  redshift measurements every square degree

## Drawback:

- ➔ Spectrograms overlap each other  $\rightarrow$  contamination
- ➔ Spectral resolution limited by object size  $\rightarrow$  self-contamination



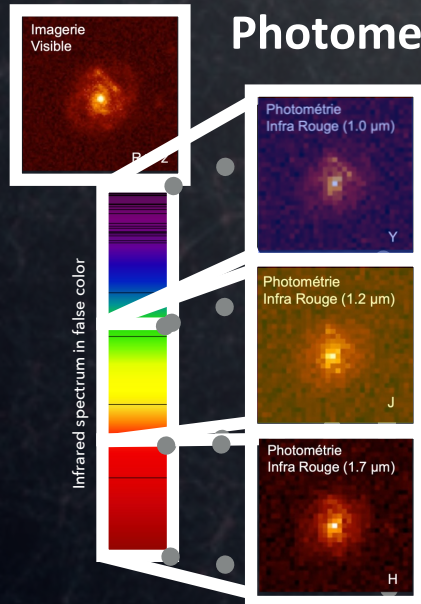
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# Photometry with NISP

## Near Infrared Spectro-Photometer

Angular resolution : 0.3 arcs/px  
Spectral range : 950 - 2000 nm



### Photometer :

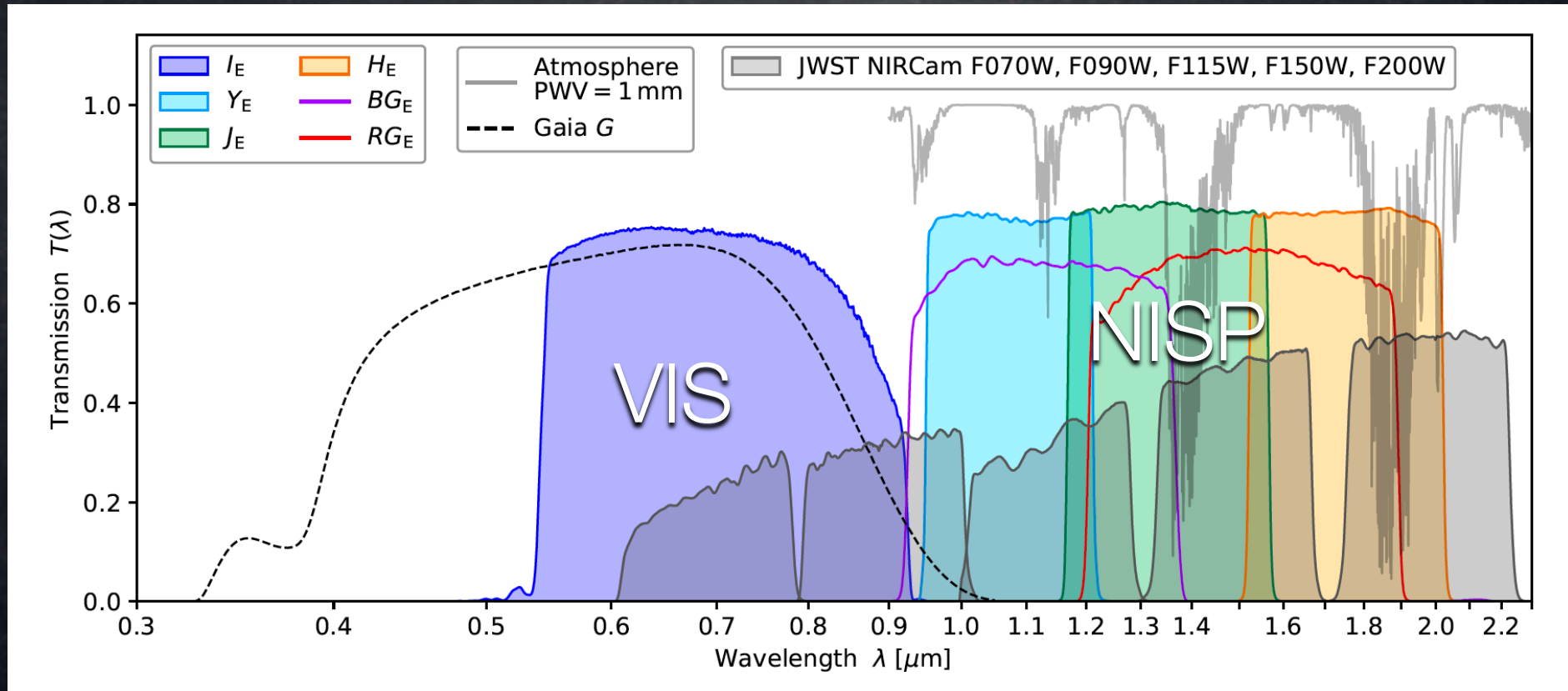
Measure galaxy photon flux (photometry) and provides Photo-z



The NISP instrument - Euclid / NISP / LAM



# Spectral response of Euclid's imaging and spectroscopic channels





# News from L2





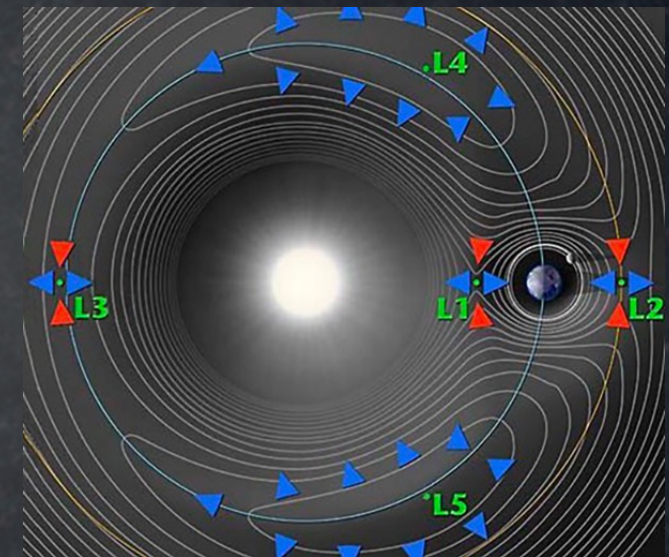
# Euclid launch

## Successfully launched on 1st July 2023

### Launcher : Falcon 9 from Cape Canaveral Space Force Station

- Lift-off
- Ascent phase
- Separation & Injection to L2 (Space-X)
- Fine tuning and correction manoeuvres (ESA)s
- Transit to L2 → 1.5 million km from Earth ...

William GILLARD





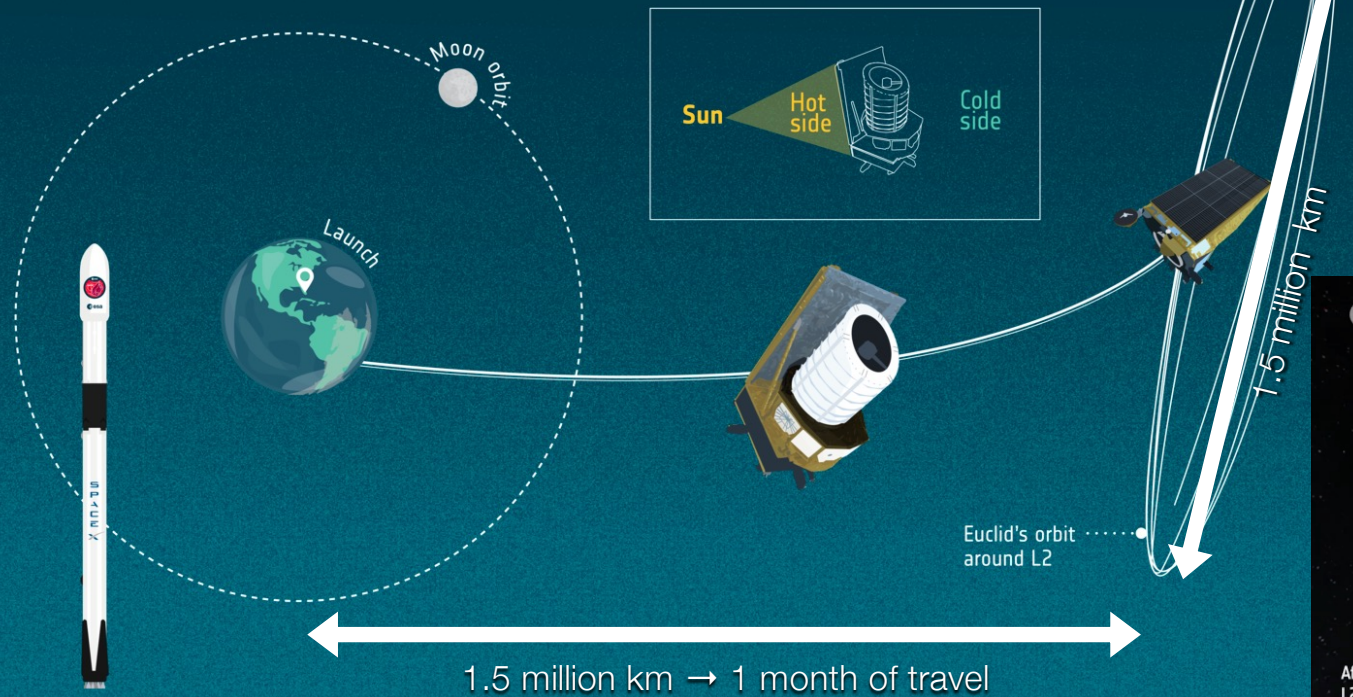
# Transit to Lagrange 2



## EUCLID'S JOURNEY TO L2

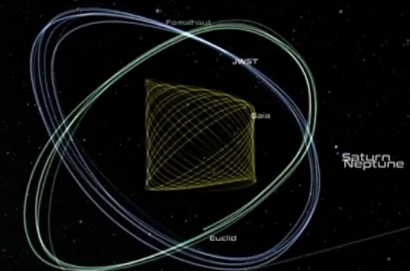
Euclid will orbit the second Lagrange point (L2), 1.5 million kilometres from Earth in the opposite direction from the Sun. L2 is an equilibrium point of the Sun-Earth system that follows the Earth around the Sun. In its orbit at L2, Euclid's sunshield can always block the light from the Sun, Earth and Moon while pointing its telescope towards deep space, ensuring a high level of stability for its instruments.

High thermal stability  
No Earth nor Moon eclipses



## Euclid reached L2 at the end of July 2023:

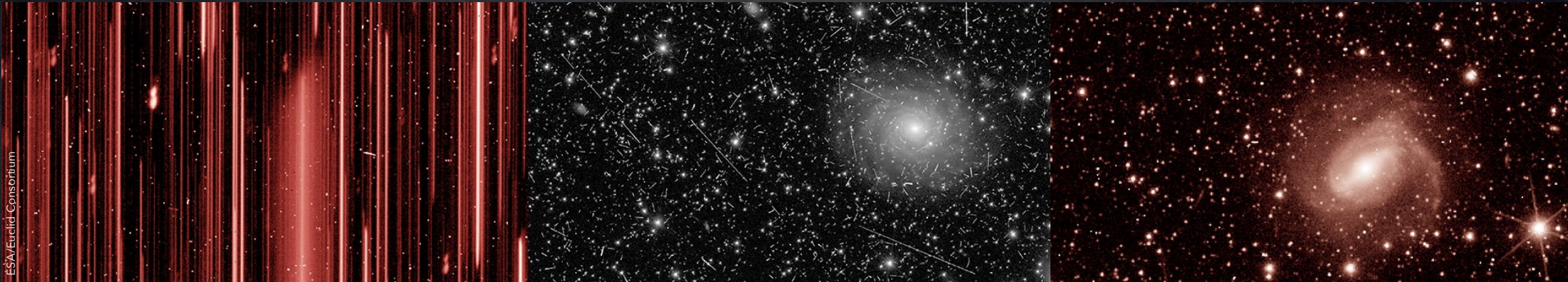
- ▶ Orbit radius : 1.5 M km
- ▶ Commissioning started during transit



After a month since its launch, Euclid has traveled **1.5 million kilometers** to L2, a unique point in space. L2 is about **4 times** farther than our Moon and is an ideal location for studying the Universe.



# Image Quality



NISP Spectroscopy

Visible VIS image

Near infrared Y NISP image

Euclid First light images exhibit very high image quality

- Dense spectra forest
- Sharp VIS images
- Sharp NISP images

Raw data : No calibration, no cosmetic

→ All detector defects and cosmic-ray hits visible.

**But some issues...**

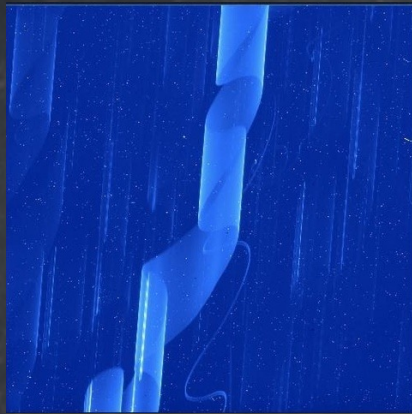


# Euclid dancing Boogie-Woogie

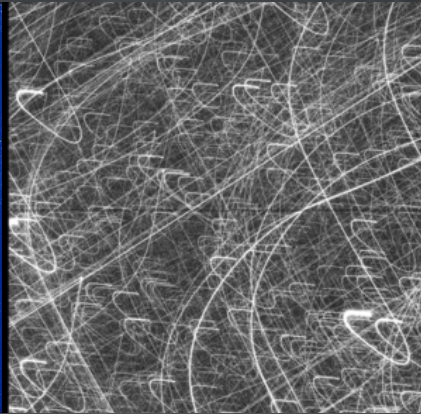


## Fine guiding sensor failure :

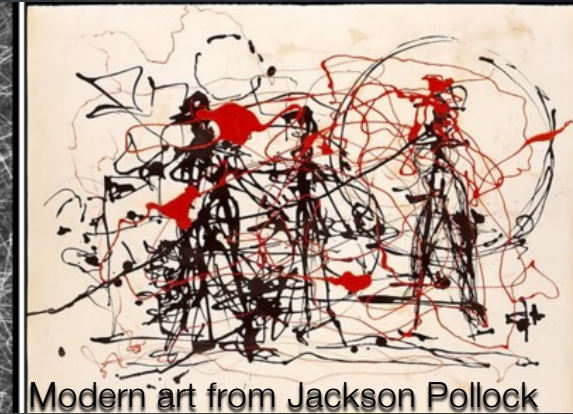
➔ Fine guiding sensor loose its guiding stars under heavy cosmic-ray hits ...



NISP Spectroscopy



Visible VIS image



Modern art from Jackson Pollock

No despair yet, at least one could make art gallery

➔ Onboard software had to be updated ... 2 months of work !

- Investigation and development of CR rejection algorithm compatible with hardware limitation (EC+Industry)
- Test and validation on avionic model on ground (Industry)
- Upload new firmware to Space-craft (ESA+Industry)
- Test and Validate on flight (EC+Industry+ESA)

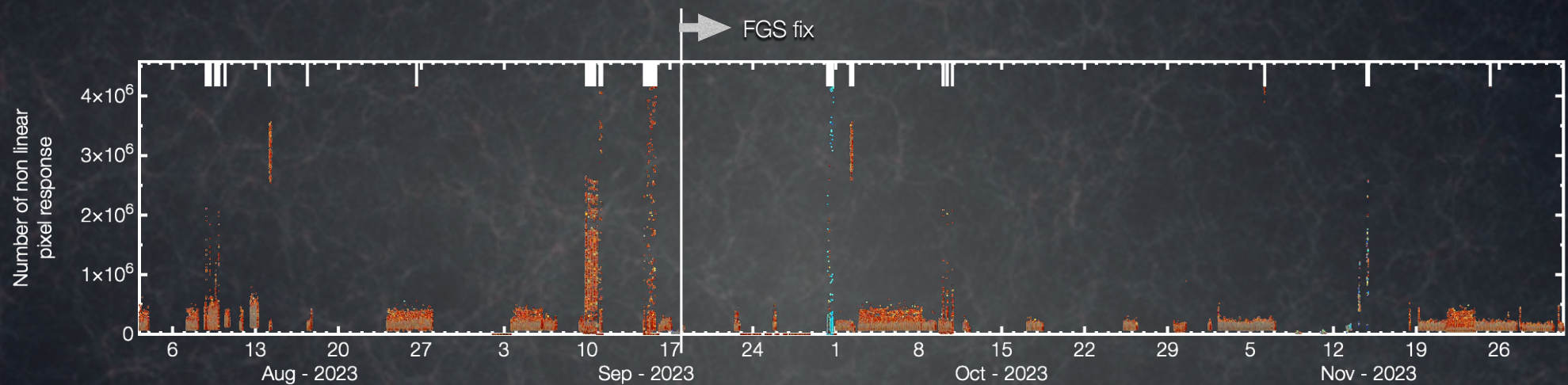


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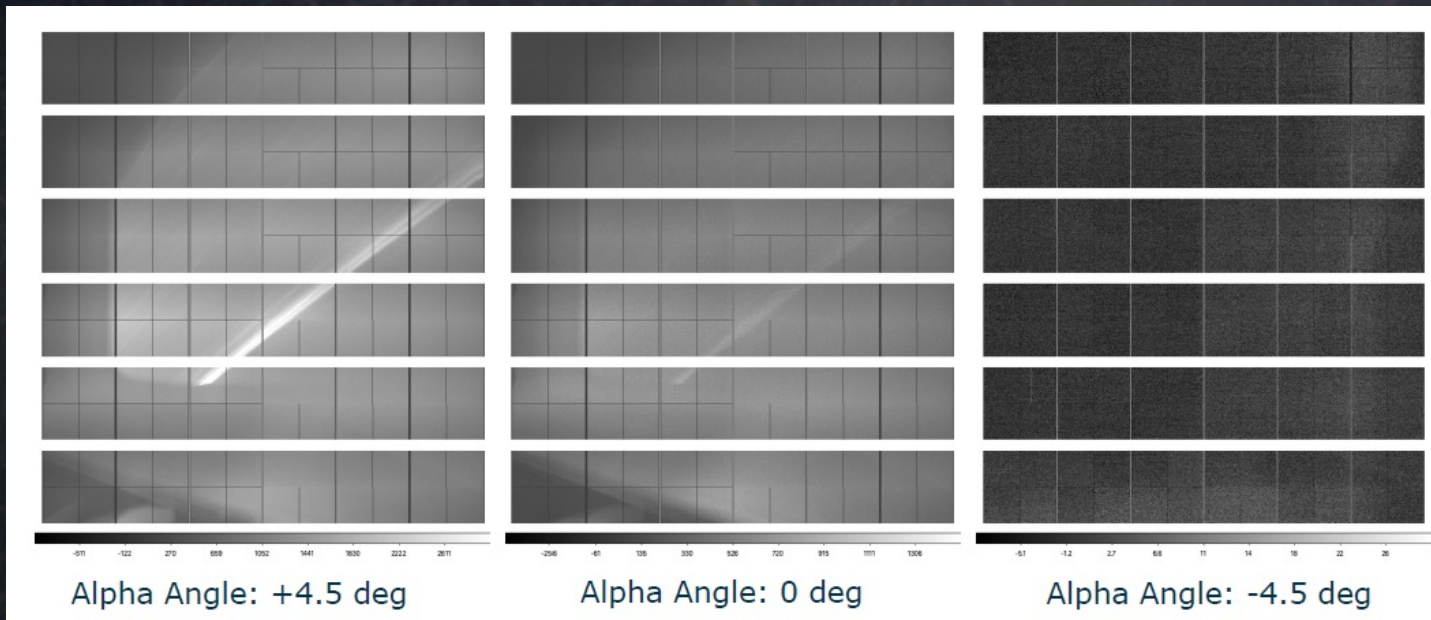
➔ Fine guiding sensor loose its guiding stars under heavy cosmic-ray hits ...



➔ Clear improvement after correction. Still a few FGS tracking failures, particularly in fields with very low stellar density where few guiding stars are available.



# Straylight in VIS



**Sunlight is reflected into the instrument cavity at specific angles :**

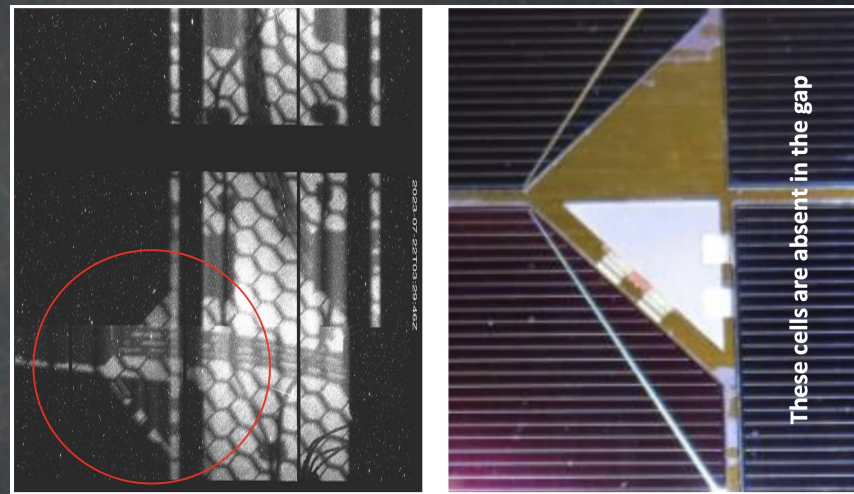
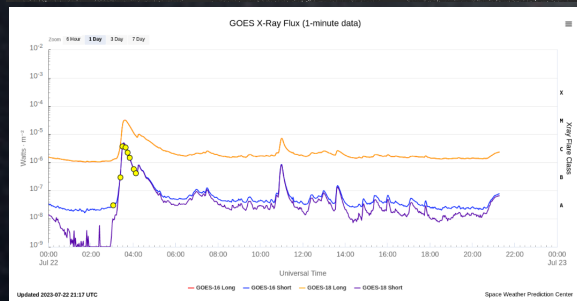
- ➔ The spacecraft should avoid those angles
- ➔ Smaller operating windows
- ➔ Survey has to be redesigned .... 6 month of works by the Survey team



# Euclid radiography through X-Ray



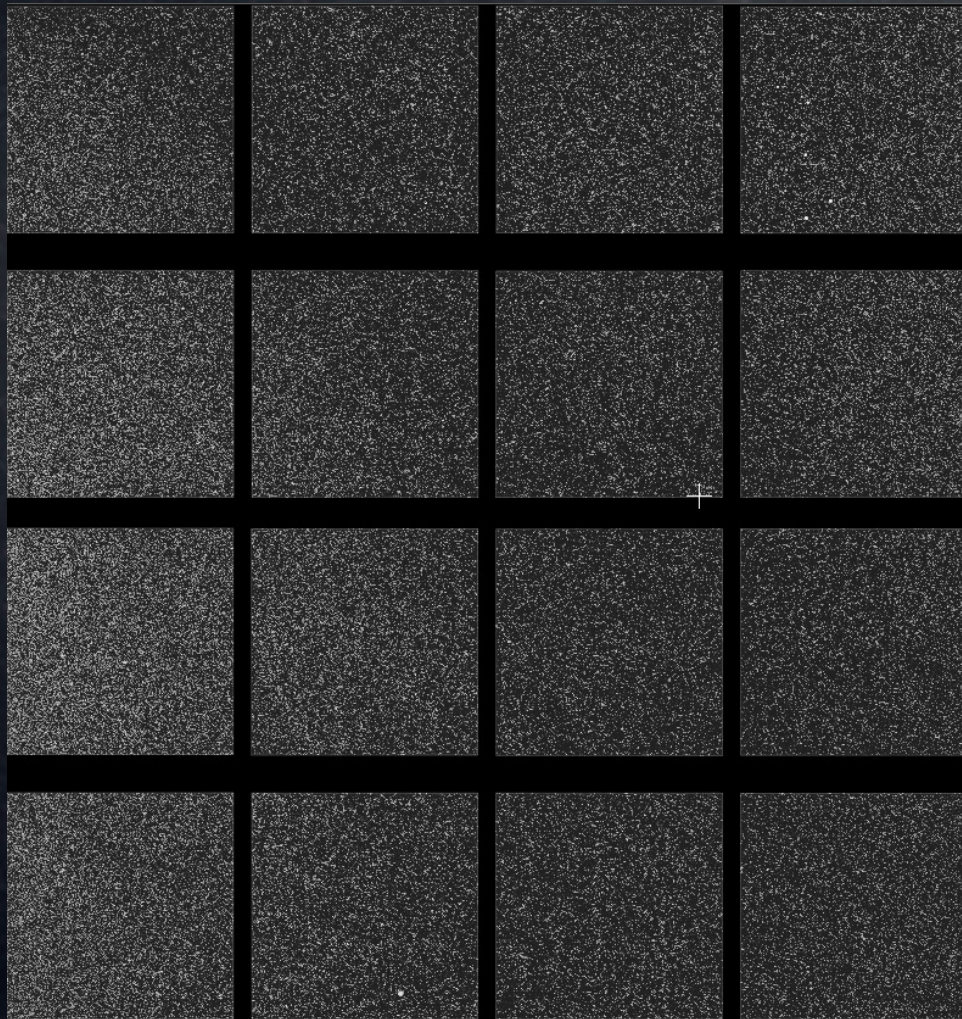
➔ X-Ray solar flares leave their fingerprints on the VIS detector. Shadows are cast by denser materials in front of the VIS instrument which absorbs X-Ray.



➔ NISP not affected because more materials (optics mechanical structures, ...) are located in front of the detectors.



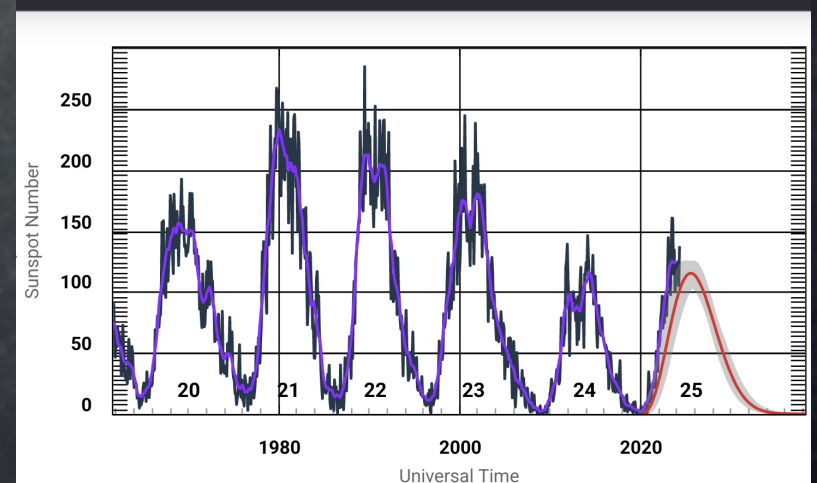
# Coronal mass ejection



But Coronal Mass ejection (solar flare with ejection of matter → high energetic protons) do affect the NISP as well as the VIS.

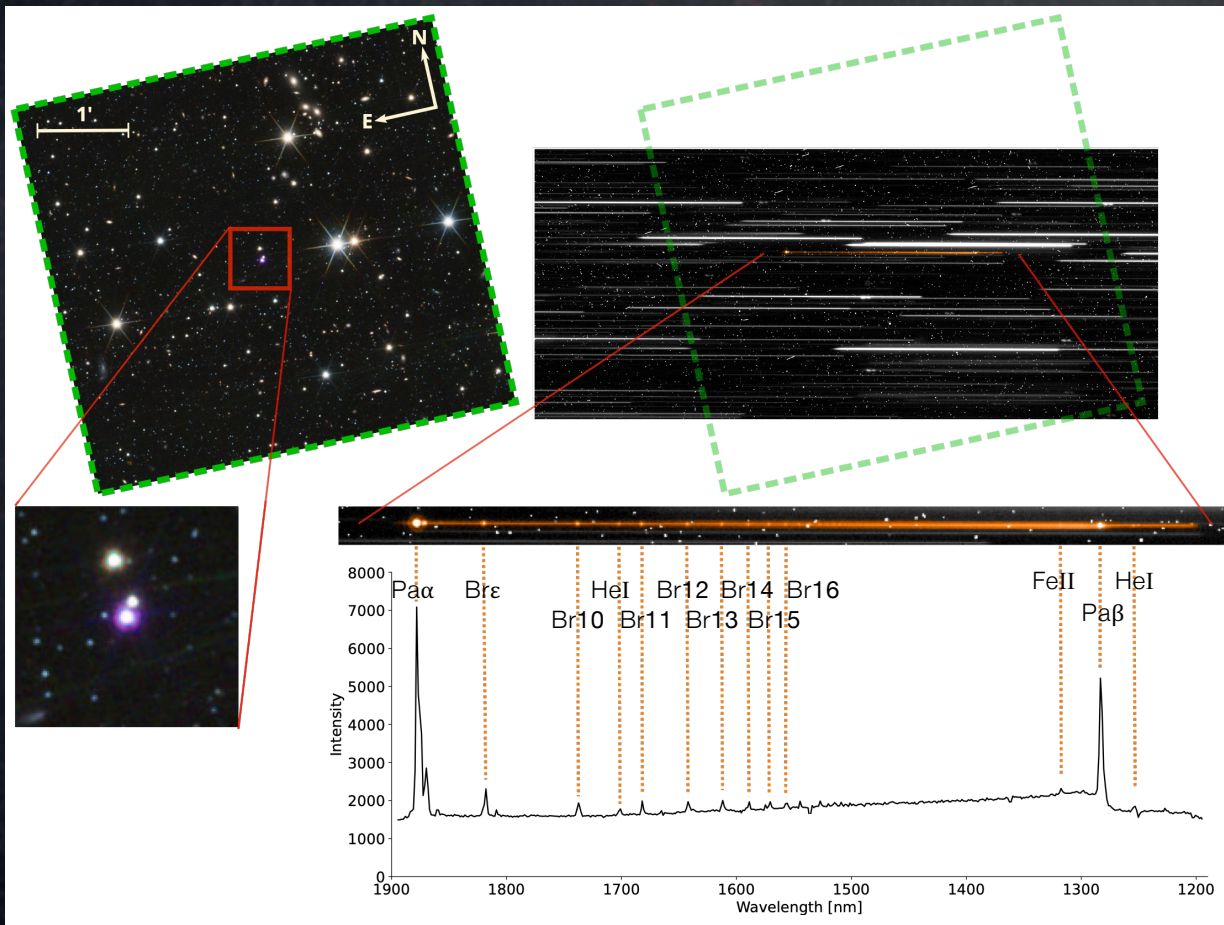
When X-Ray or CME occurs during science observation all or part of the exposure might be losses.

[swpc.noaa.gov/products/solar-cycle-progression](http://swpc.noaa.gov/products/solar-cycle-progression)





# Despite all challenges : very High-Quality dataset !!



- Spectral dispersion of the order of 13.7 nm/px, as designed !
- Resolving power > 500
- High image quality over large field of view

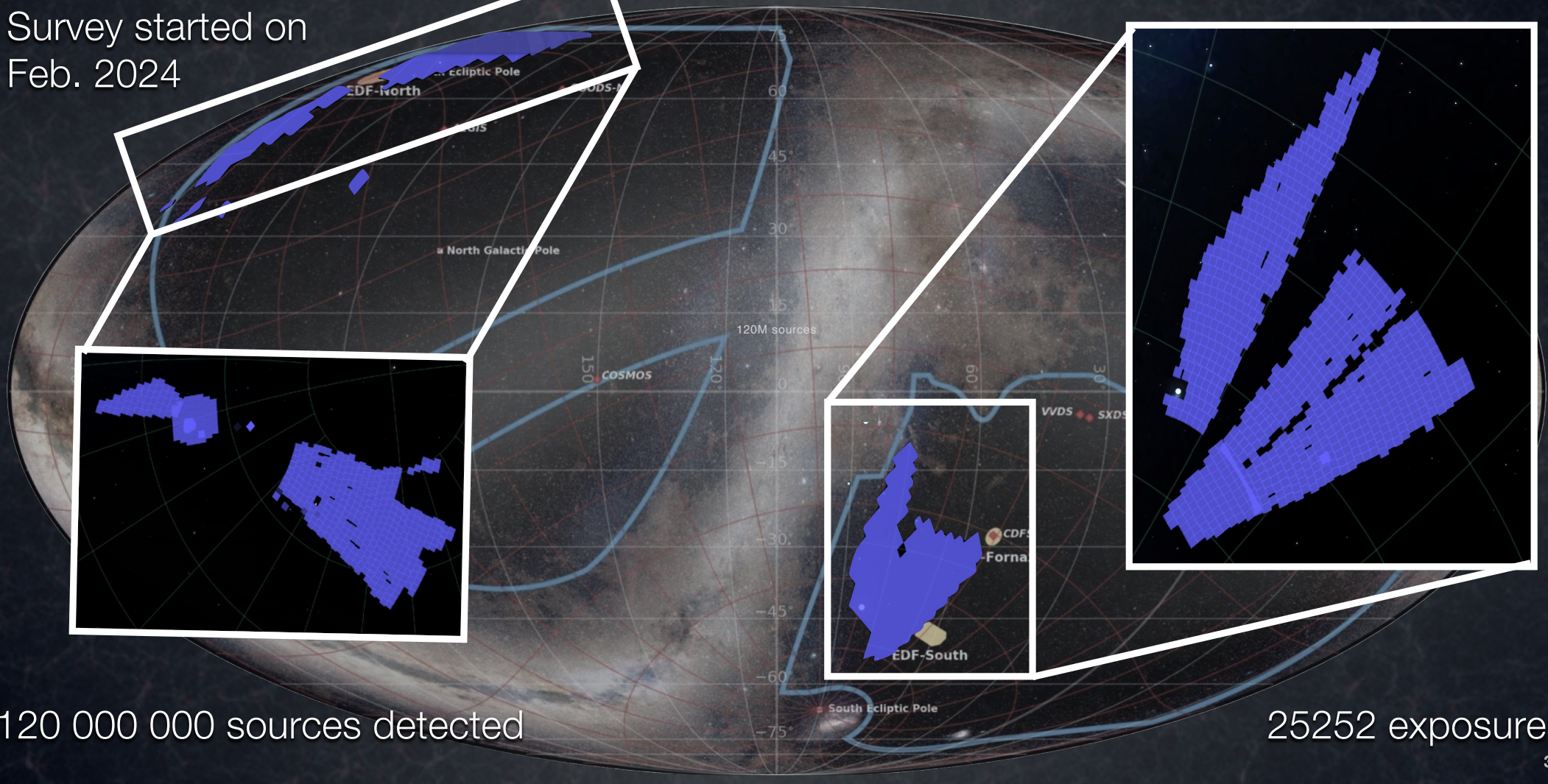




# Euclid survey



Survey started on  
Feb. 2024



120 000 000 sources detected

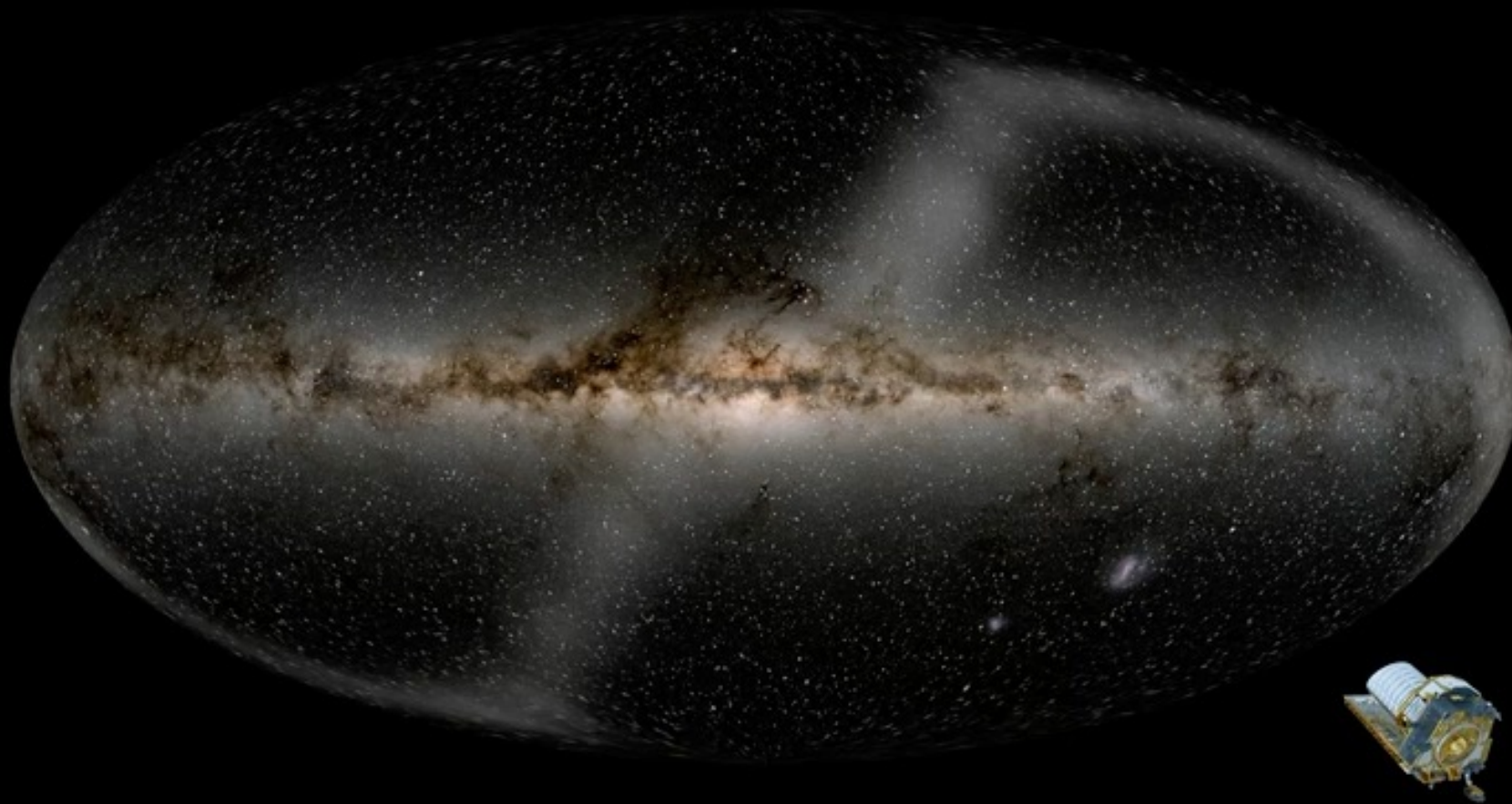
25252 exposures



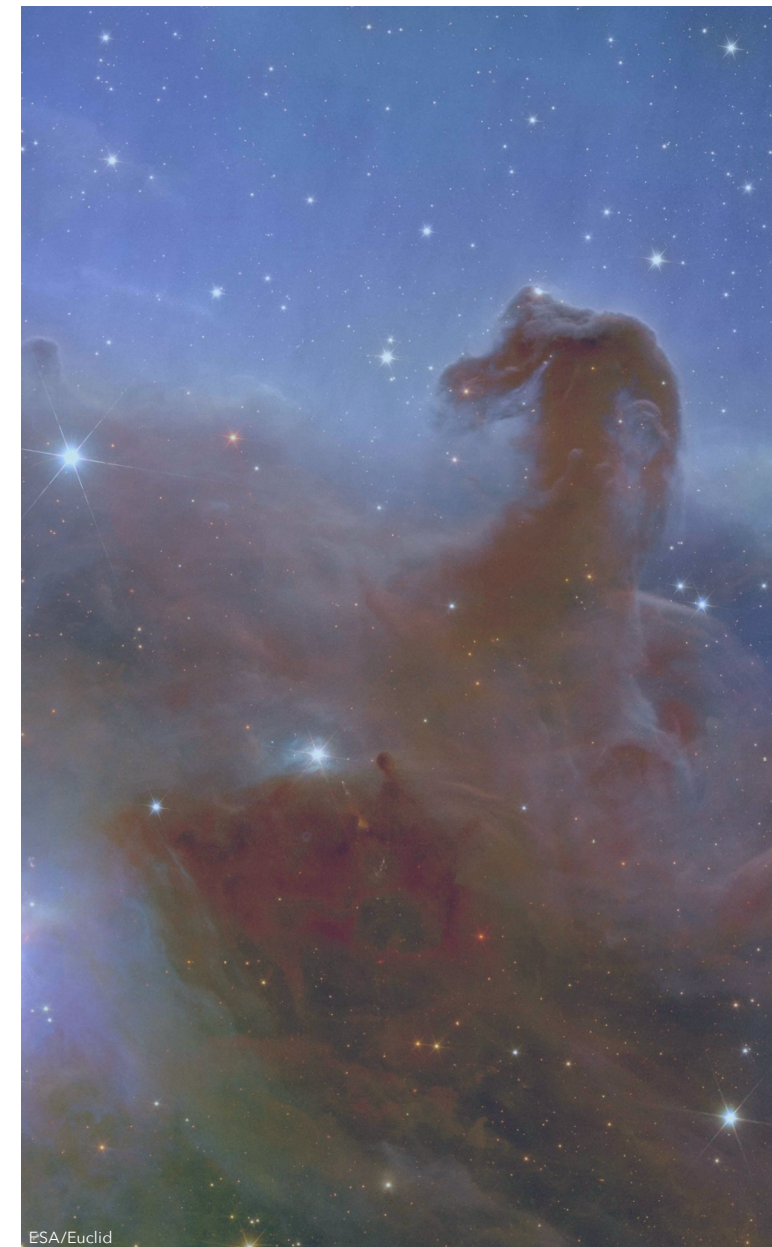
# Euclid survey



6 year of sky survey







# First images / First Science



# Early Release Observations



ERO images show ordinary matter, and concern "legacy science", science not directly related to Euclid's fundamental science.

ERO images highlight the high performance of the telescope and instruments

Total observing time for the entire ERO program: 1 day

Use of standard 70-minute observation blocks (ROS), covering  $0.7 \times 0.7$  deg<sup>2</sup>  
4 channels: VIS (visible), 3 NISP infrared bands (Y, J, H bands)  
False colors: Blue = VIS , Green = Y , Red = H



# Early Release Observations



A first ERO in Nov 2023  
with 5 images

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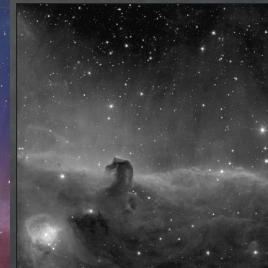
# The horse head nebula (IC434)



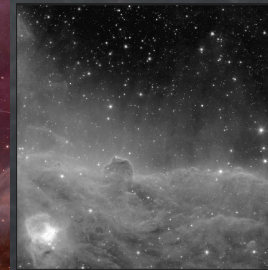
- 1 hour exposure time
- VIS + Y<sub>E</sub> + H<sub>E</sub>



Bleu = VIS



Vert = Y<sub>E</sub>

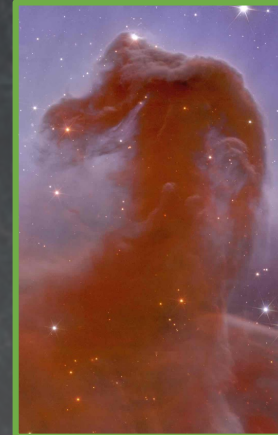
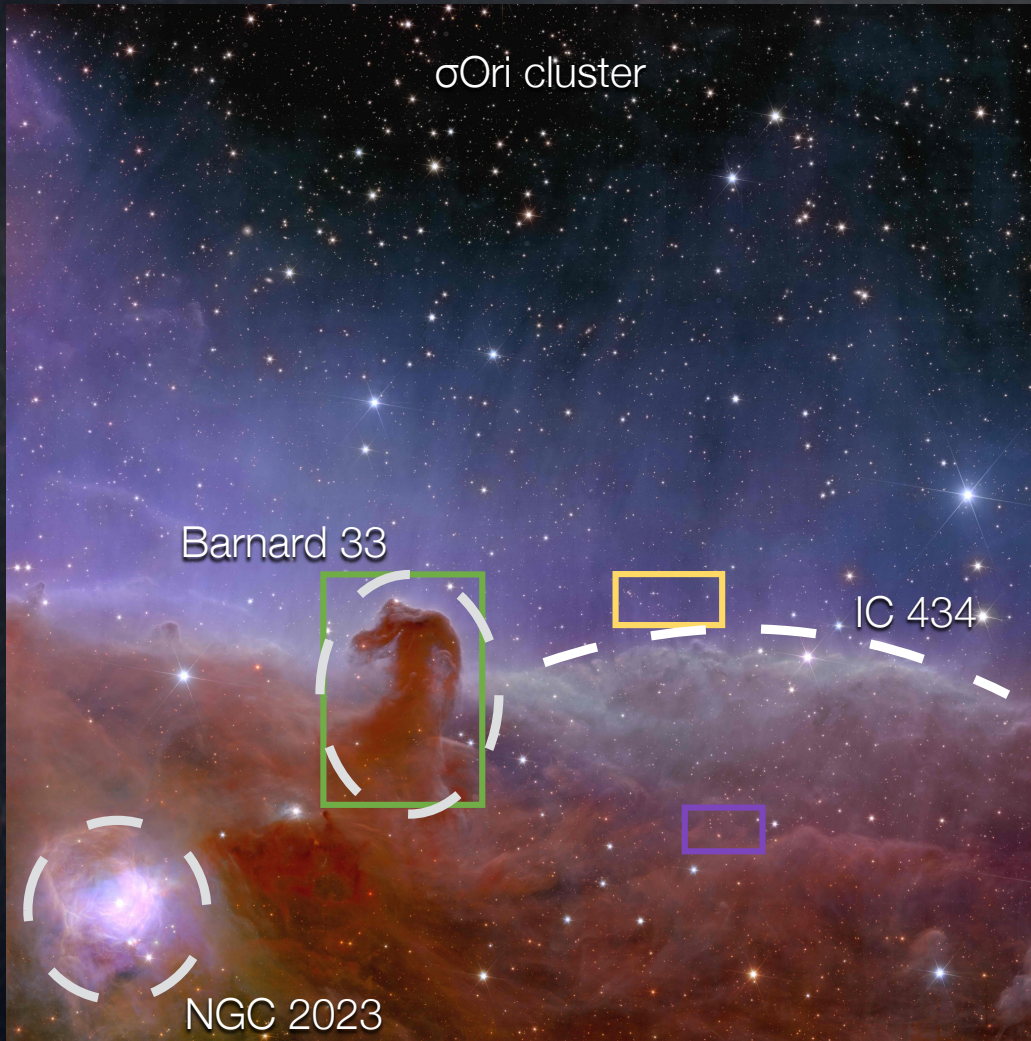


Rouge = H<sub>E</sub>



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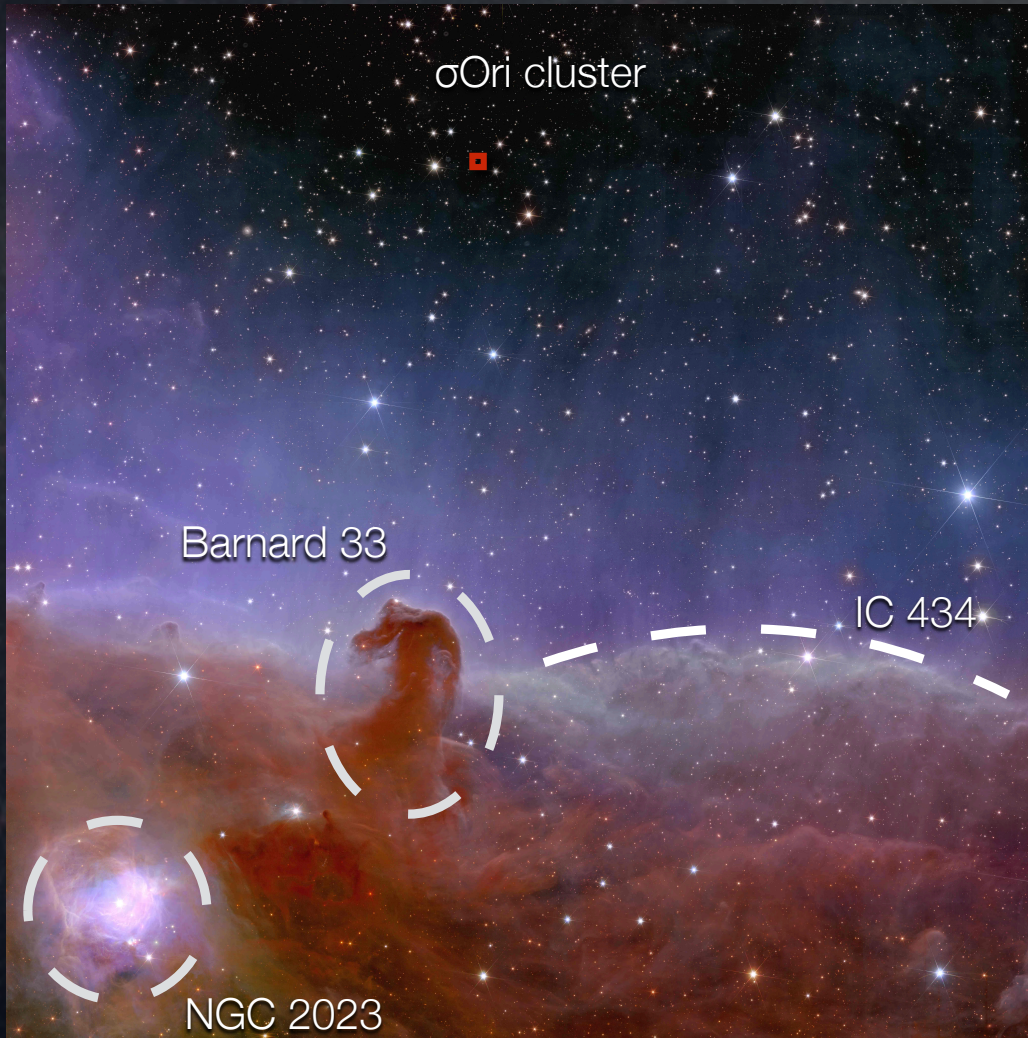
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Free floating planets



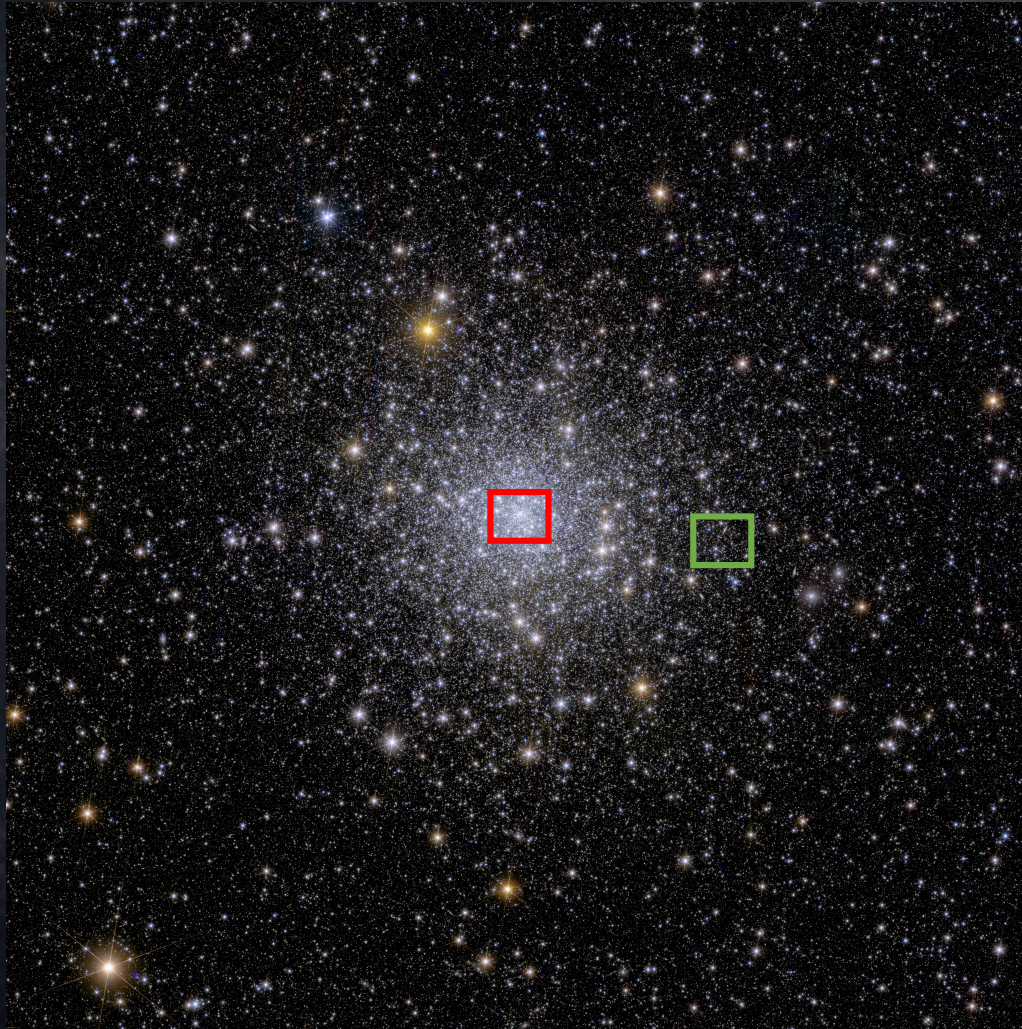
Known free floating Jupyter like planet.

- Euclid is able to detect free floating planet down to  $4 \times M_j$
- +5 new free floating planets discovered by Euclid



# Closest Globular Cluster : NGC 6397

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- 1 hour exposure time
- VIS + Y<sub>E</sub> + H<sub>E</sub>



Resolving all the stars in the core



Discovering galaxies in the background



# Cosmology with Euclid : Perseus cluster

- 2 hours exposure time
- VIS +  $Y_E$  +  $H_E$





# Cosmology with Euclid : Perseus cluster



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- 630 new galaxies candidates identified to be gravitationally links to the Perseus clusters
- $\approx 70\,000$  Globular cluster candidates identified in the Intra-cluster medium.



# Early Release Observations

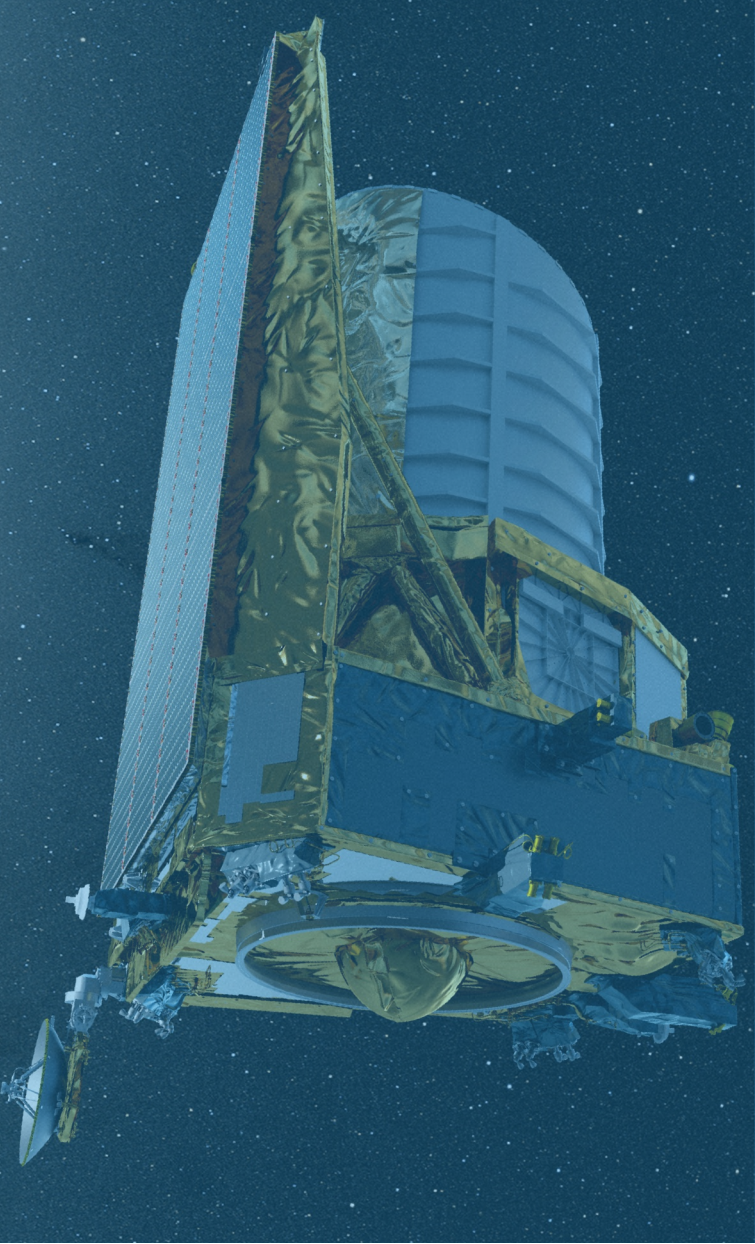


10 scientific papers currently under the review of the collaboration

New ERO release on the 23rd of May 2024 !

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# Conclusion



Euclid successfully launched on July 1st, 2023

**Euclid** survey started survey operation in February 2024 after nearly 6 month of commissioning and calibration.

**Early observations** demonstrate the unique capability for **Euclid** to **probe a large field of view** combined to **high spatial resolution**

**Wide survey : 12 billion sources in total**

1.5 billion galaxies and  
35 million of spectrometric redshifts:  
 **$0.7 < z < 1.85$**

**Deep survey :**

1.5 million galaxies and  
150 000 of spectrometric redshifts:  
 **$0.7 < z < 1.85$**

New release of ERO images on the 23rd May, 2024, 12:00

Stay tune into ESA Web TV directly [https://www.esa.int/ESA\\_Multimedia/ESA\\_Web\\_TV](https://www.esa.int/ESA_Multimedia/ESA_Web_TV)