

# Simons Observatory and Future ground-based CMB measurements

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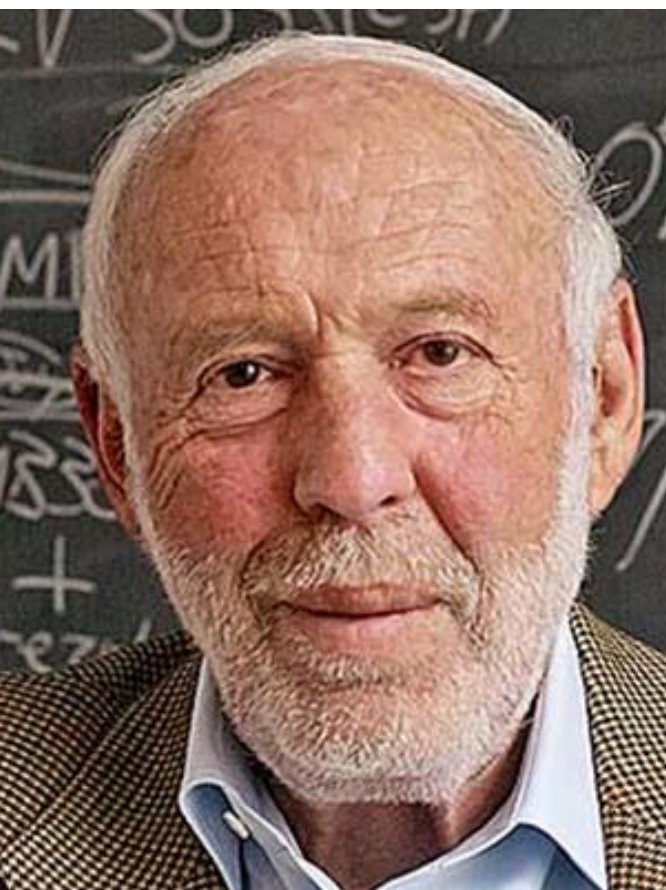


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# The Simons Observatory collaboration

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- Carnegie Mellon University
- Center for Computational Astrophysics
- Cornell University
- Florida State
- Haverford College
- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- NASA/GSFC
- NIST
- Princeton University
- Rutgers University
- Stanford University/SLAC
- Stony Brook
- University of California - Berkeley
- University of California – San Diego
- University of Michigan
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Southern California
- West Chester University
- Yale University

## Japan

- KEK
- IPMU
- Tohoku
- Tokyo

- **10 Countries**
- **40+ Institutions**
- **160+ Researchers**

↙ ~ 287

- **90 postdocs**
- **85 students**

## Canada

- CITA/Toronto
- Dunlap Institute/Toronto
- McGill University
- Simon Fraser University
- University of British Columbia

## Chile

- Pontificia Universidad Catolica
- University of Chile

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- APC – France
- Cambridge University
- Cardiff University
- Imperial College
- Manchester University
- Oxford University
- SISSA – Italy
- University of Sussex

## South Africa

- Kwazulu-Natal, SA

## Australia

- Melbourne

## Middle East

- Tel Aviv





# Simons Observatory (SO)

- One 6m Large Aperture Telescope (LAT)
- Three 0.42m Small Aperture Telescope (SAT)

Simons Array

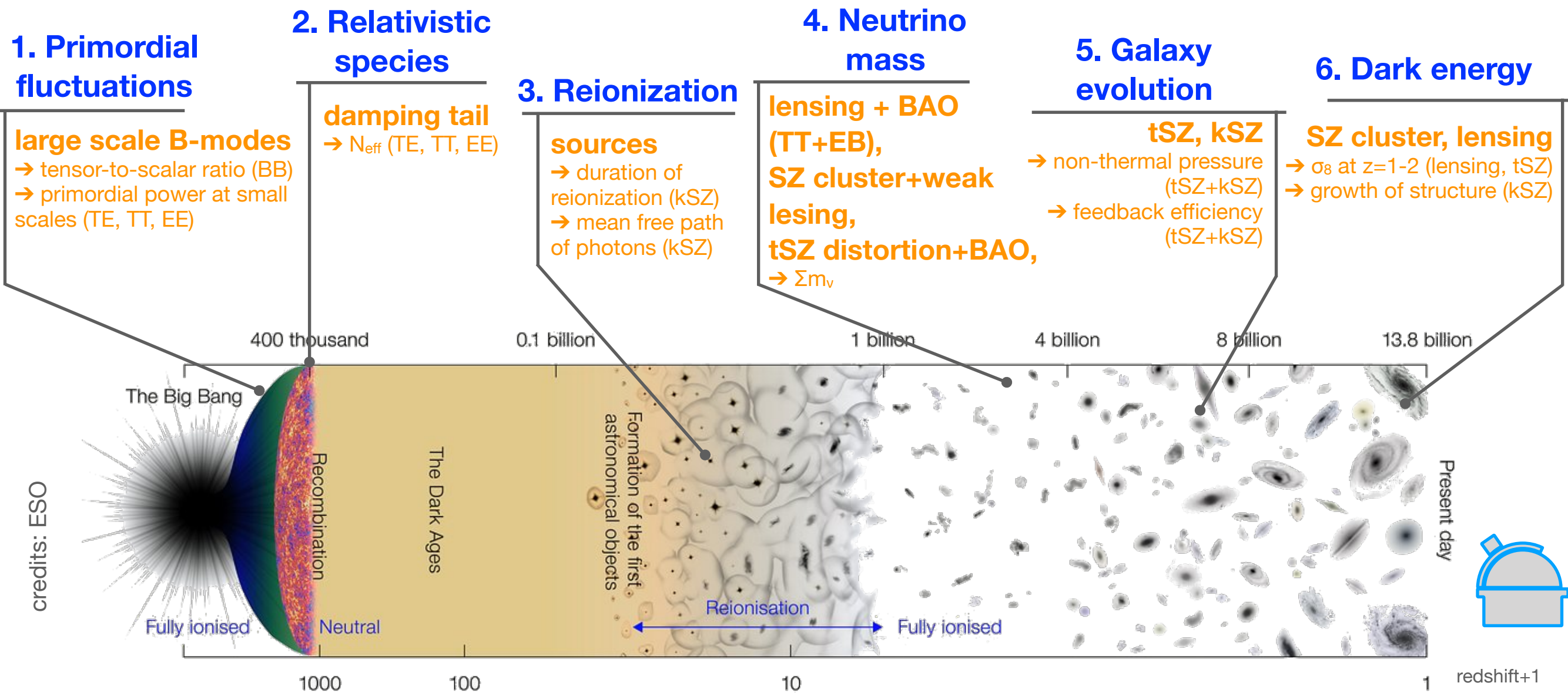
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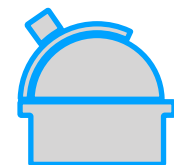
5200m, Cerro Toco, Atacama Desert, Chile



# The Simons Observatory **science goals and probes**



credits: ESO



**Science: Targets**  
 $r, N_{\text{eff}}, m_\nu, \sigma_8, \text{reionization}$   
**Large Aperture Telescope (6m)**  
 →  $N_{\text{eff}}, m_\nu, \sigma_8, \text{cluster science}$   
**Small Aperture Telescope (0.42m)**  
 → **Primordial B – modes**

## The Simons Observation: Science goals and forecasts

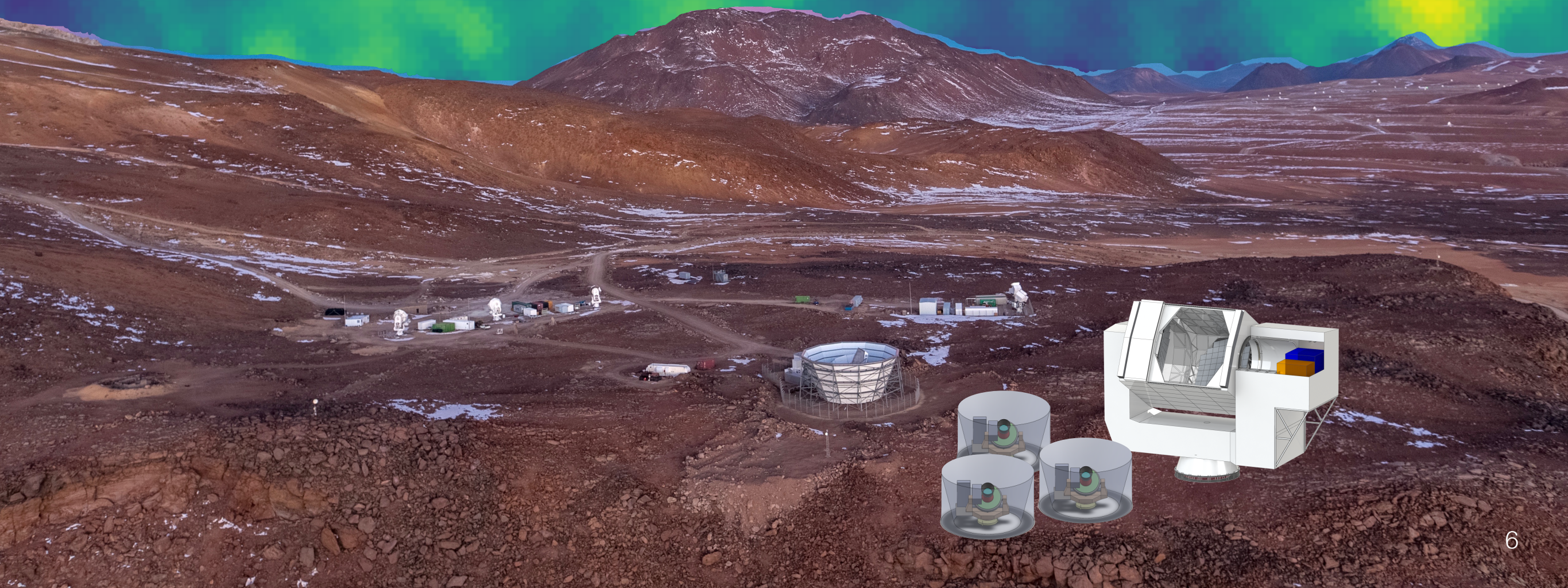
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# The Simons Observatory science goals

- CMB primordial B-modes: Tensor-to-scalar  $r$

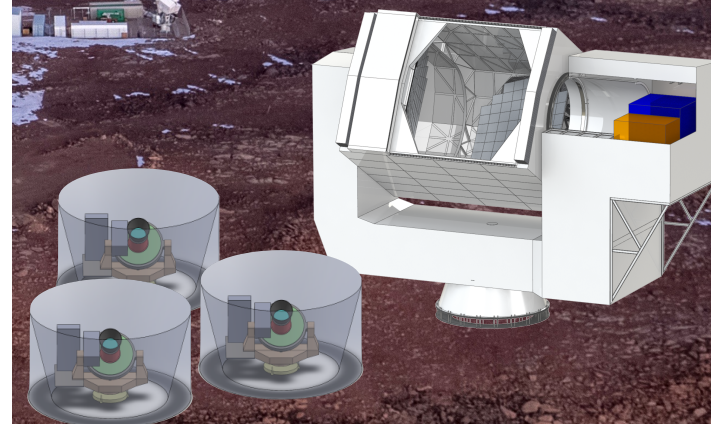
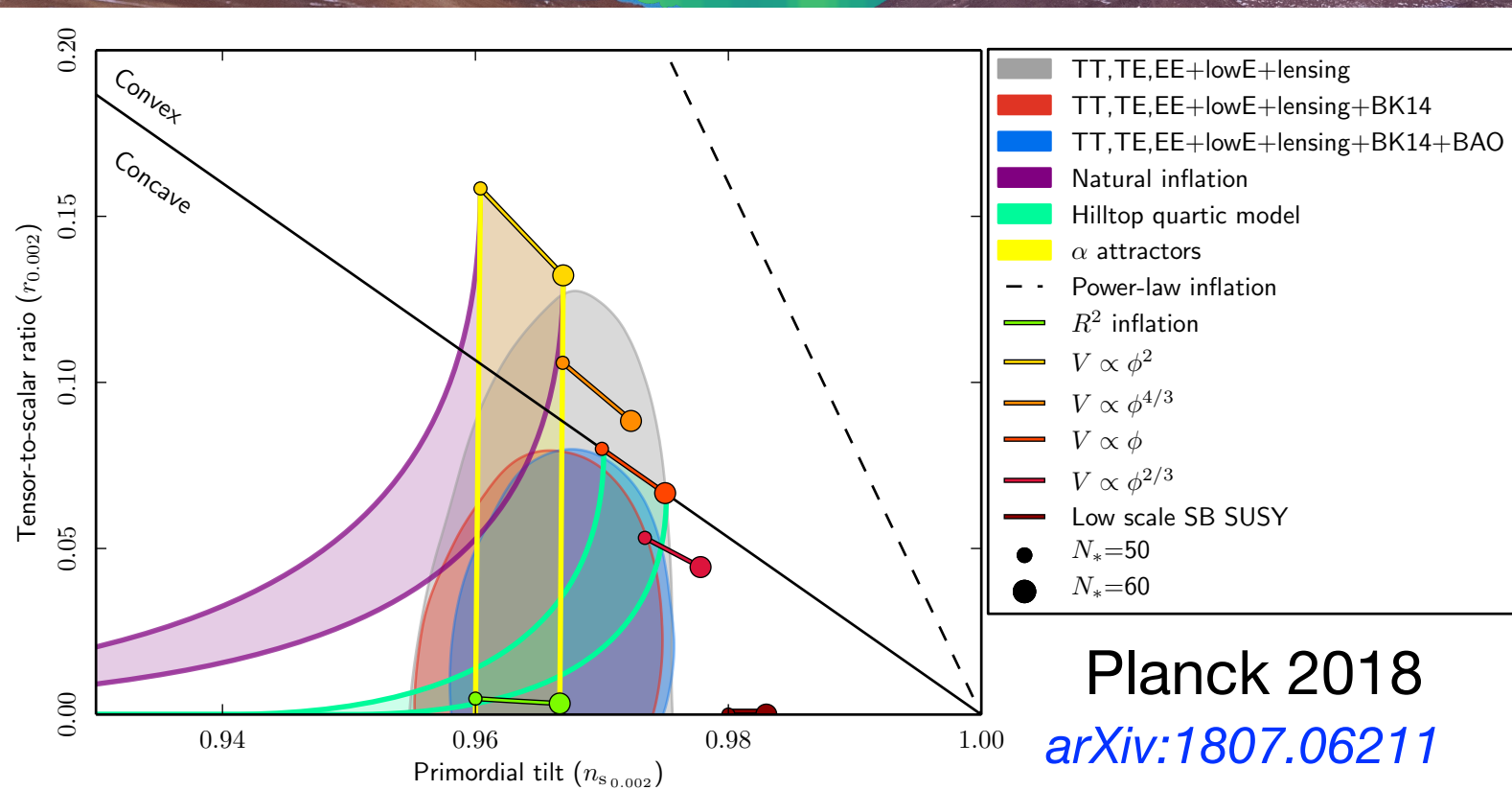




# The Simons Observatory science goals

- CMB primordial B-modes: Tensor-to-scalar  $r$   
+ lensing of CMB fields: (E-modes  $\rightarrow$  B-modes), Large Scale Structure  $\rightarrow$  B-modes

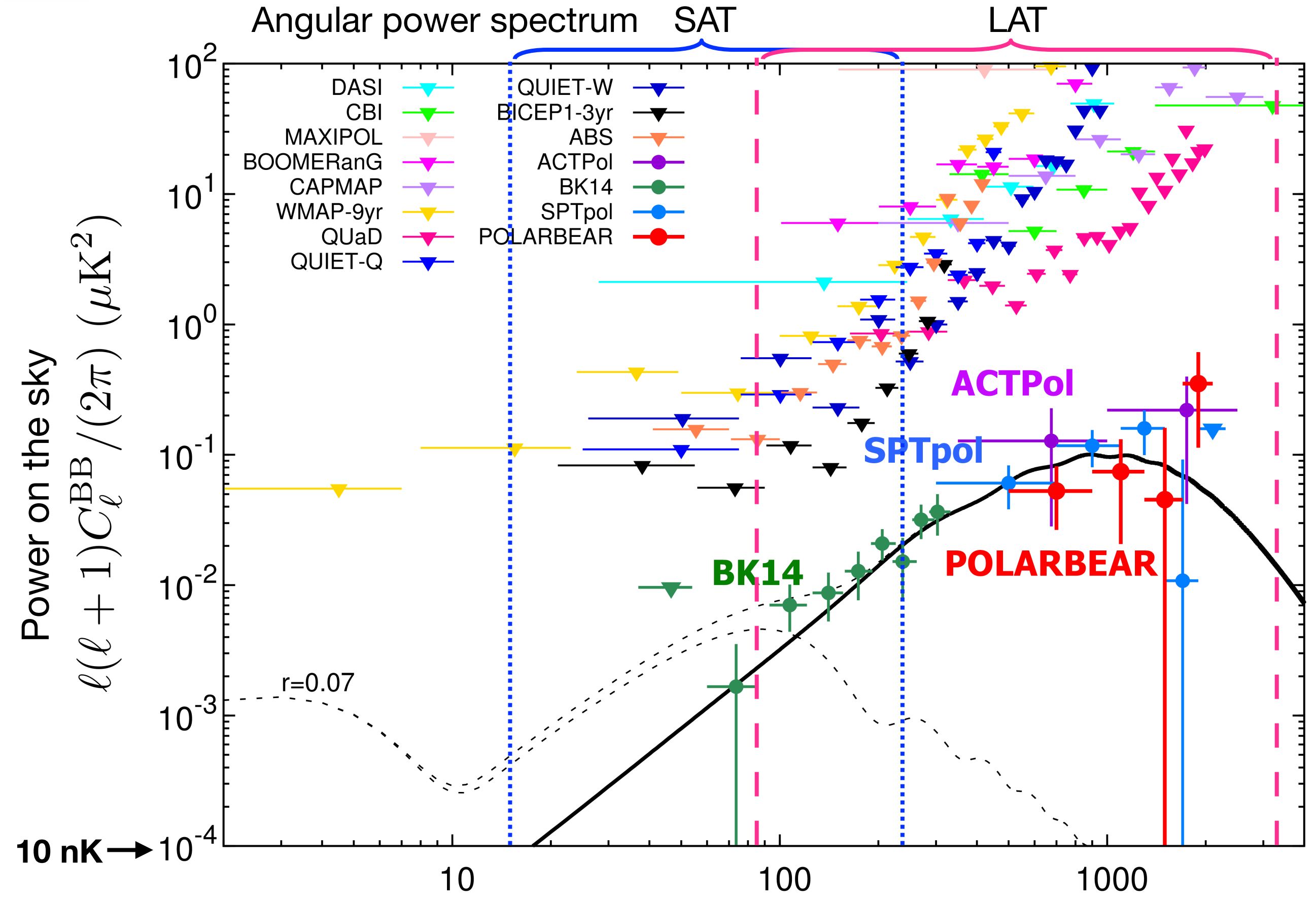
- Constraining inflationary models







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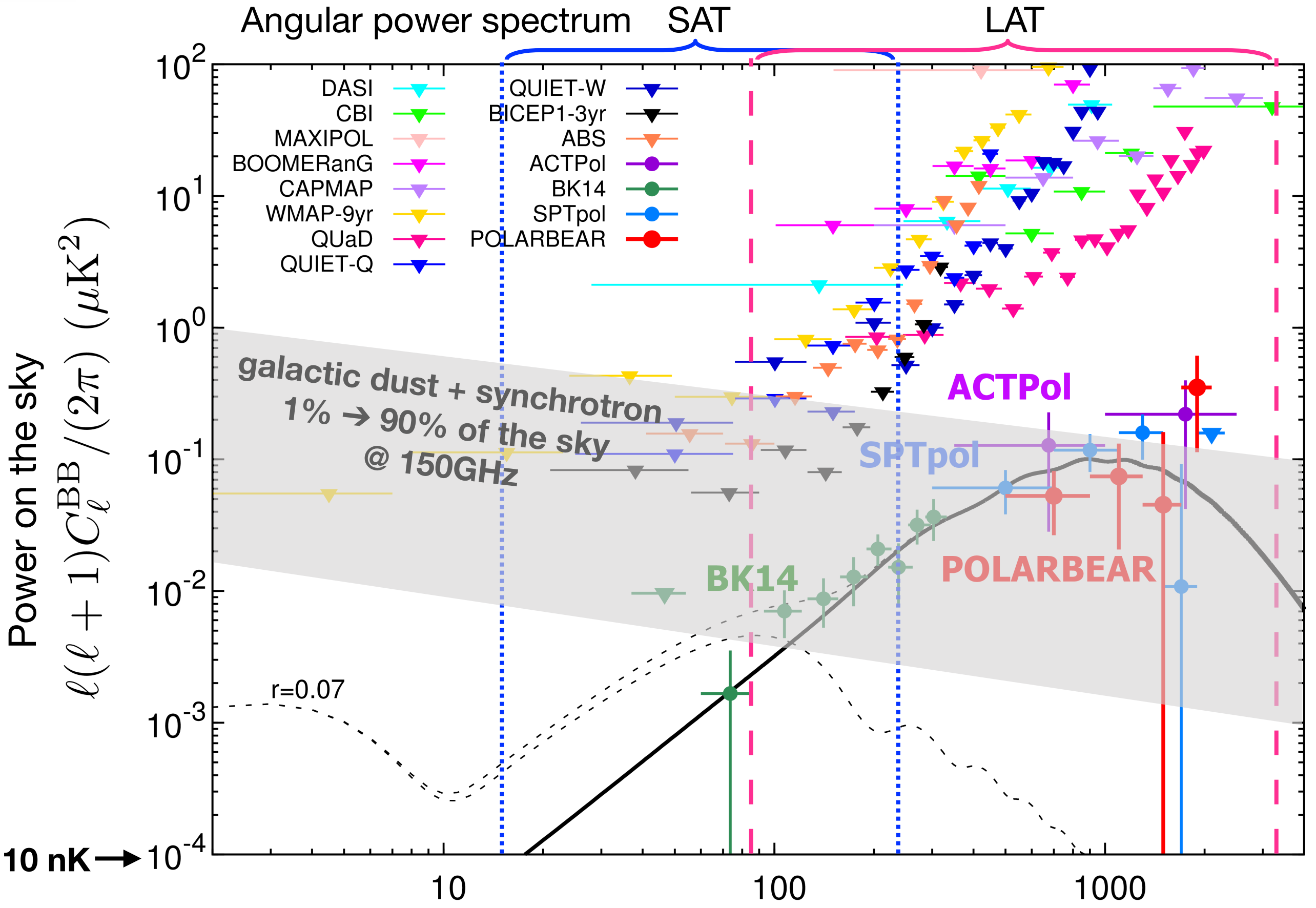
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Multipole Moment,  $l \sim 180/\text{angle on the sky}$  8





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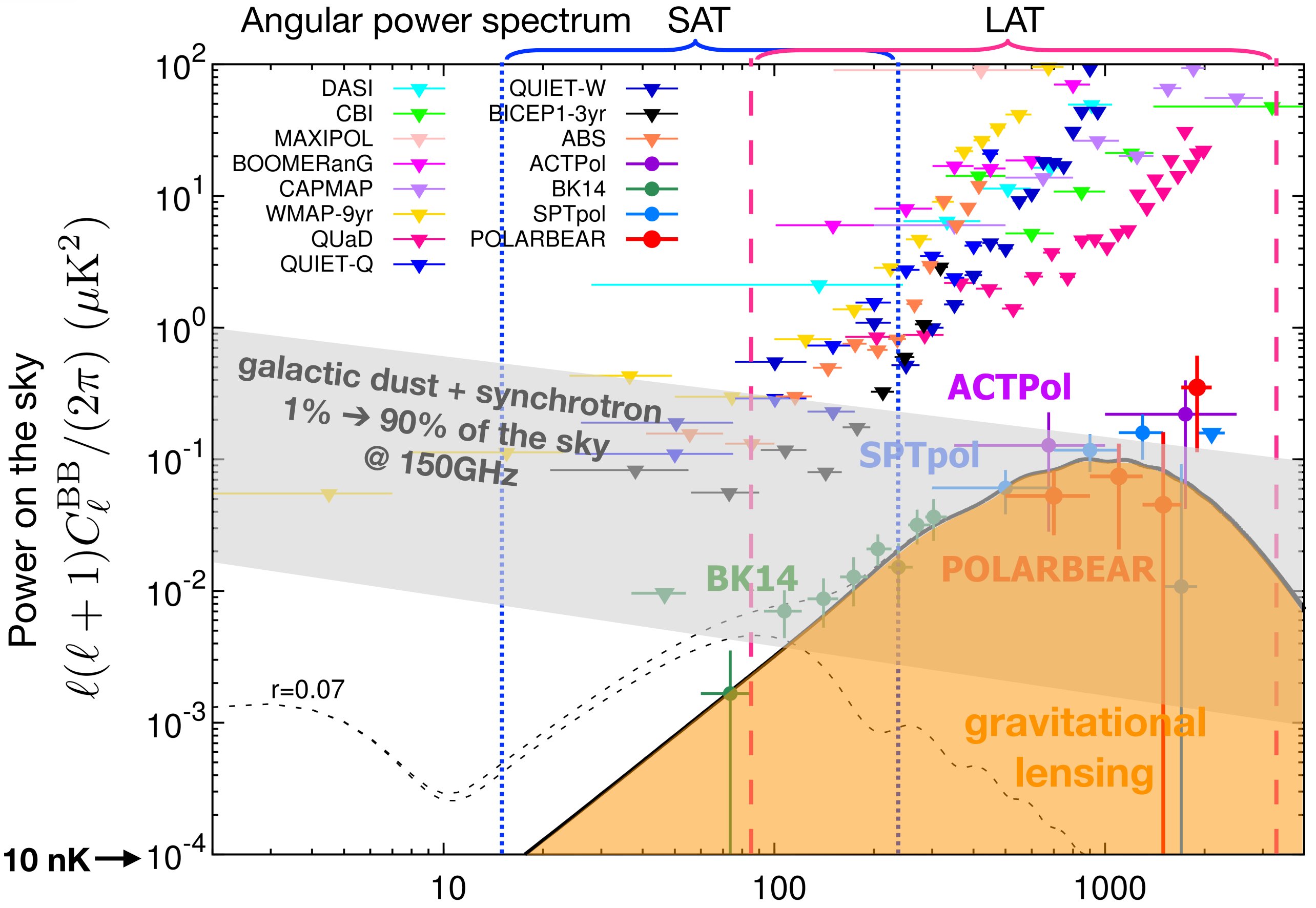
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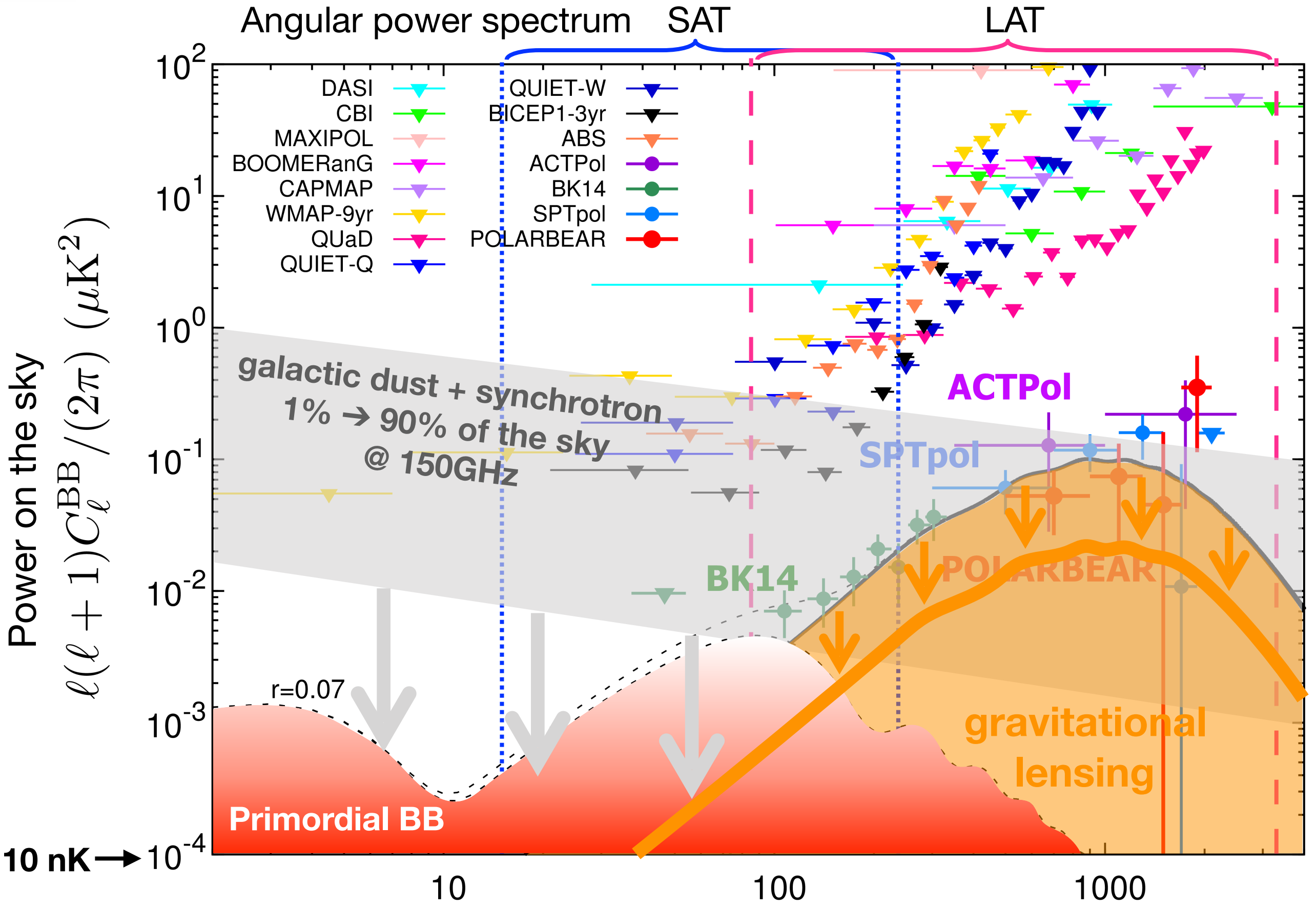
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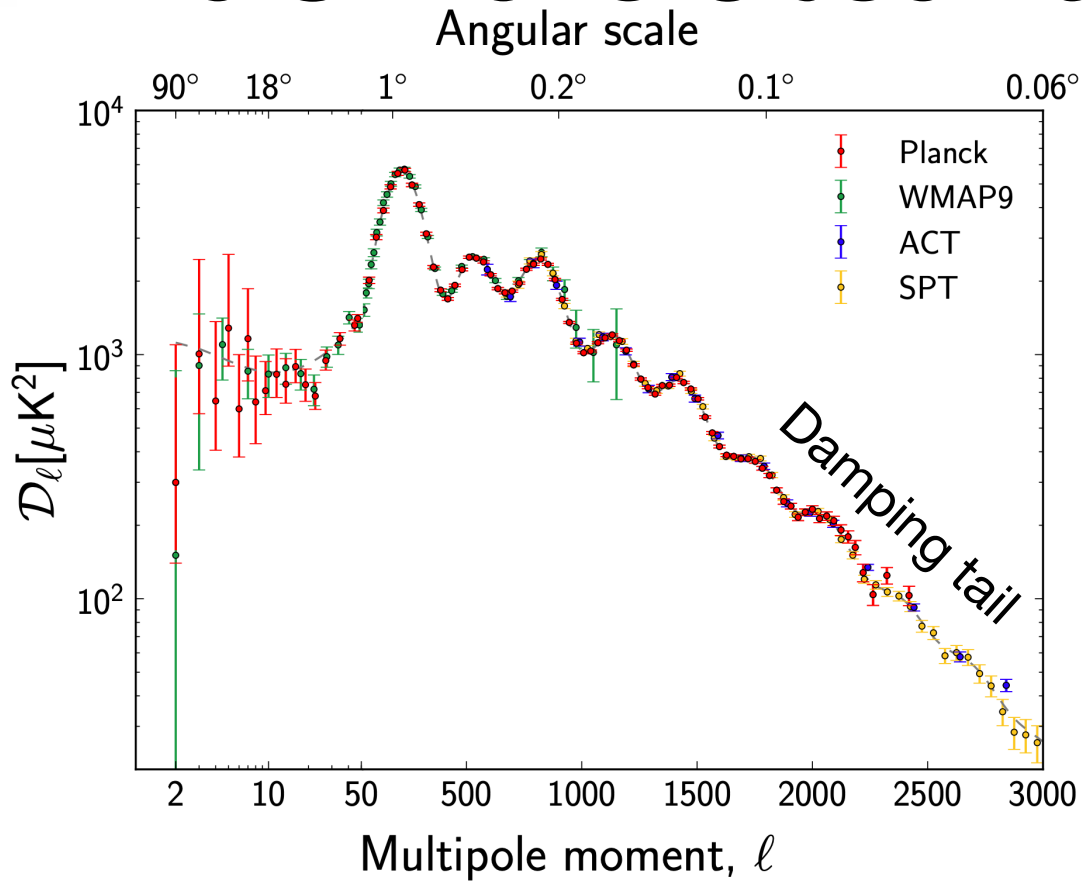
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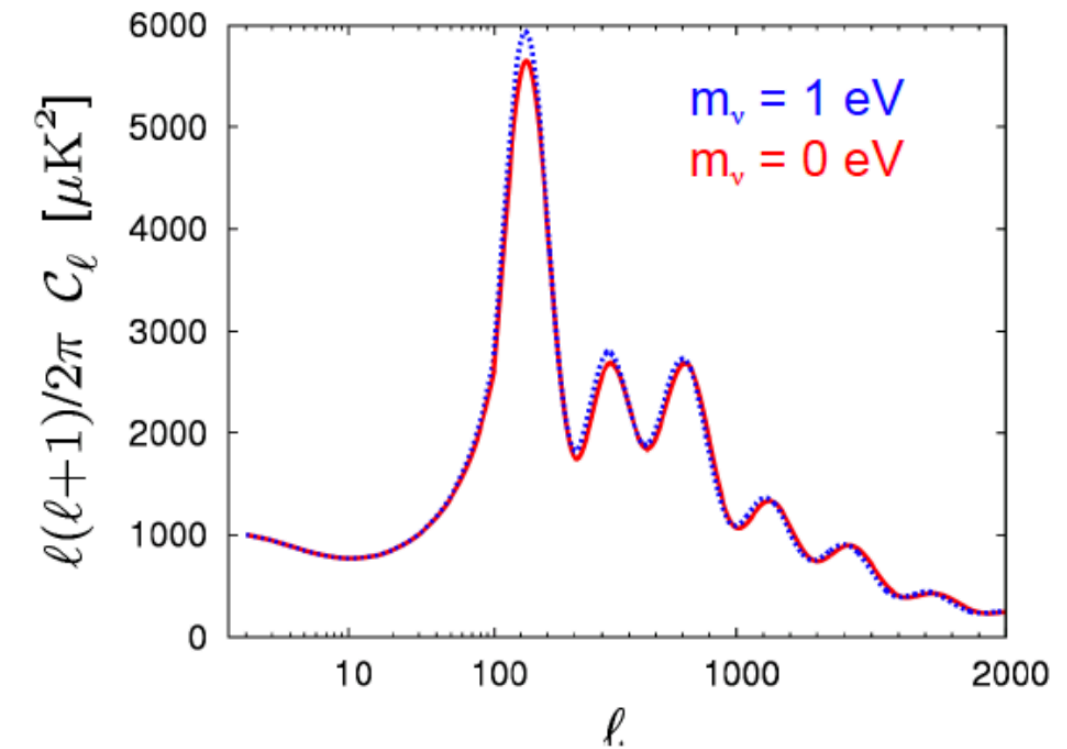
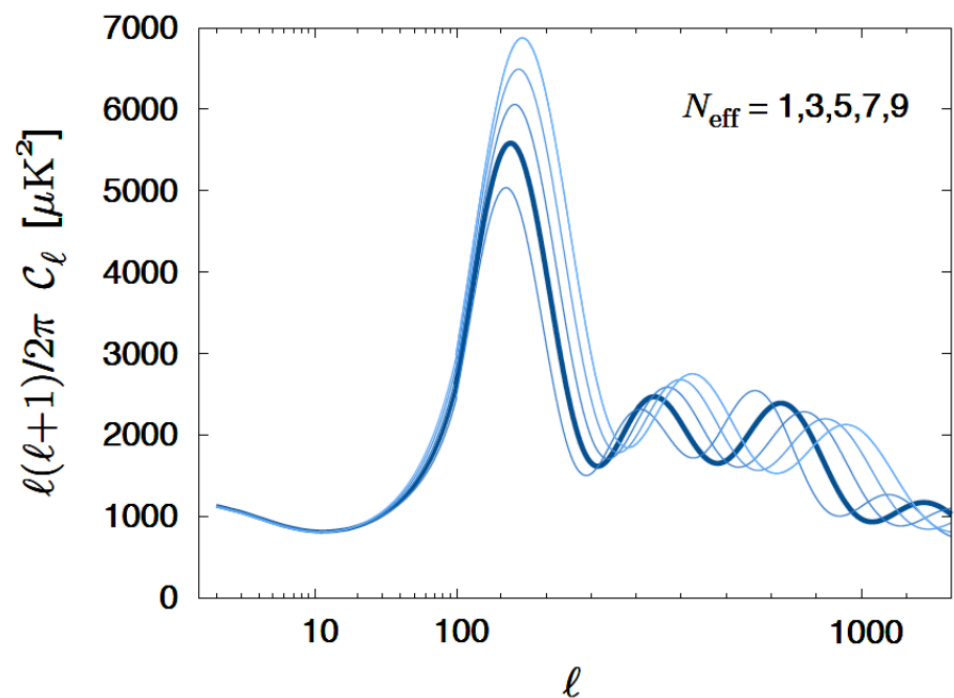
# The Simons Observatory science goals: Neutrino



Planck 2018 result

Parameter	Value	Description
$\Omega_b h^2$	$0.02237 \pm 0.00015$	Physical baryon density parameter
$\Omega_c h^2$	$0.1200 \pm 0.0012$	Physical dark matter density parameter
$\Omega_\Lambda$	$0.6847 \pm 0.0073$	Dark energy density parameter
$\tau$	$0.0544 \pm 0.0073$	Reionization optical depth
$n_s$	$0.9649 \pm 0.0042$	Scalar spectral index
$10^9 A_s$	$2.092 \pm 0.034$	Amplitude scalar of power spectrum
$H_0$	$67.36 \pm 0.54$	Hubble constant
$\Omega_b$	$0.0486 \pm 0.0010$	Baryon density parameter
$\Omega_m$	$0.3153 \pm 0.0073$	Matter density parameter
$\Omega_c$	$0.2589 \pm 0.0057$	Dark matter density parameter
$\rho_c$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	$(8.62 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-27}$	Critical density
Age/Gyr	$13.797 \pm 0.023$	Age of the Universe
$\sigma_8$	$0.8111 \pm 0.0060$	Fluctuation amplitude at $8h^{-1}$ Mpc
$N_{\text{eff}}$	$3.00^{+0.57}_{-0.53}$	Effective number of relativistic degrees of freedom
$\sum m_\nu$	$0.12 \text{ eV}/c^2$	Sum of three neutrino masses (Planck + BAO)
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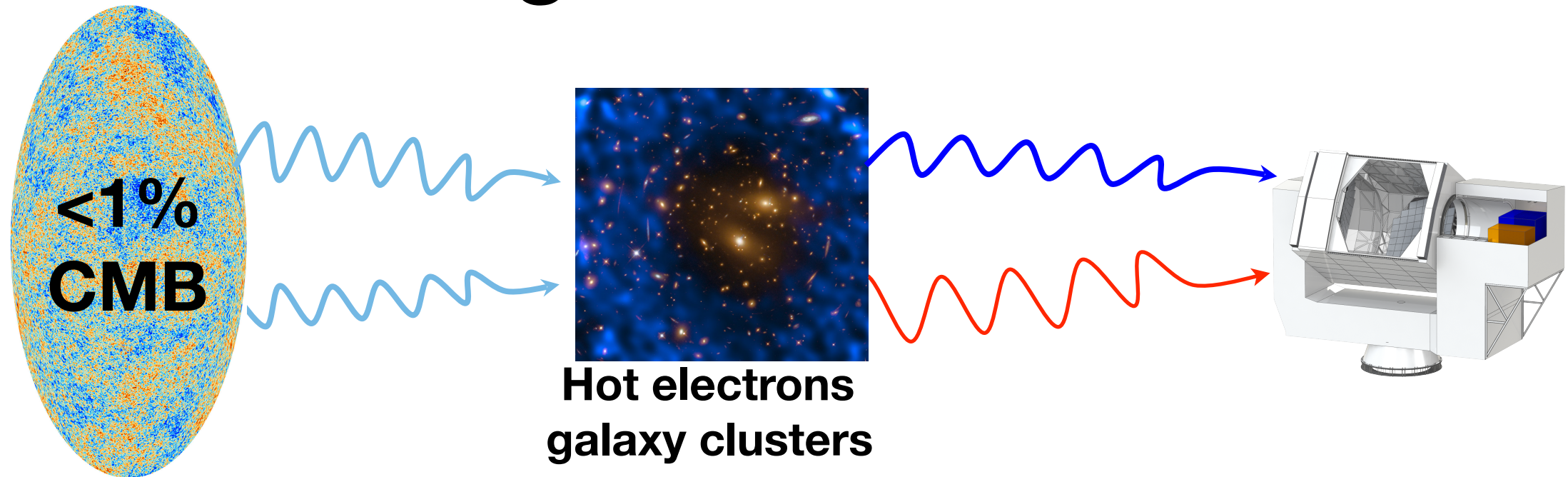
## • Cosmological parameters



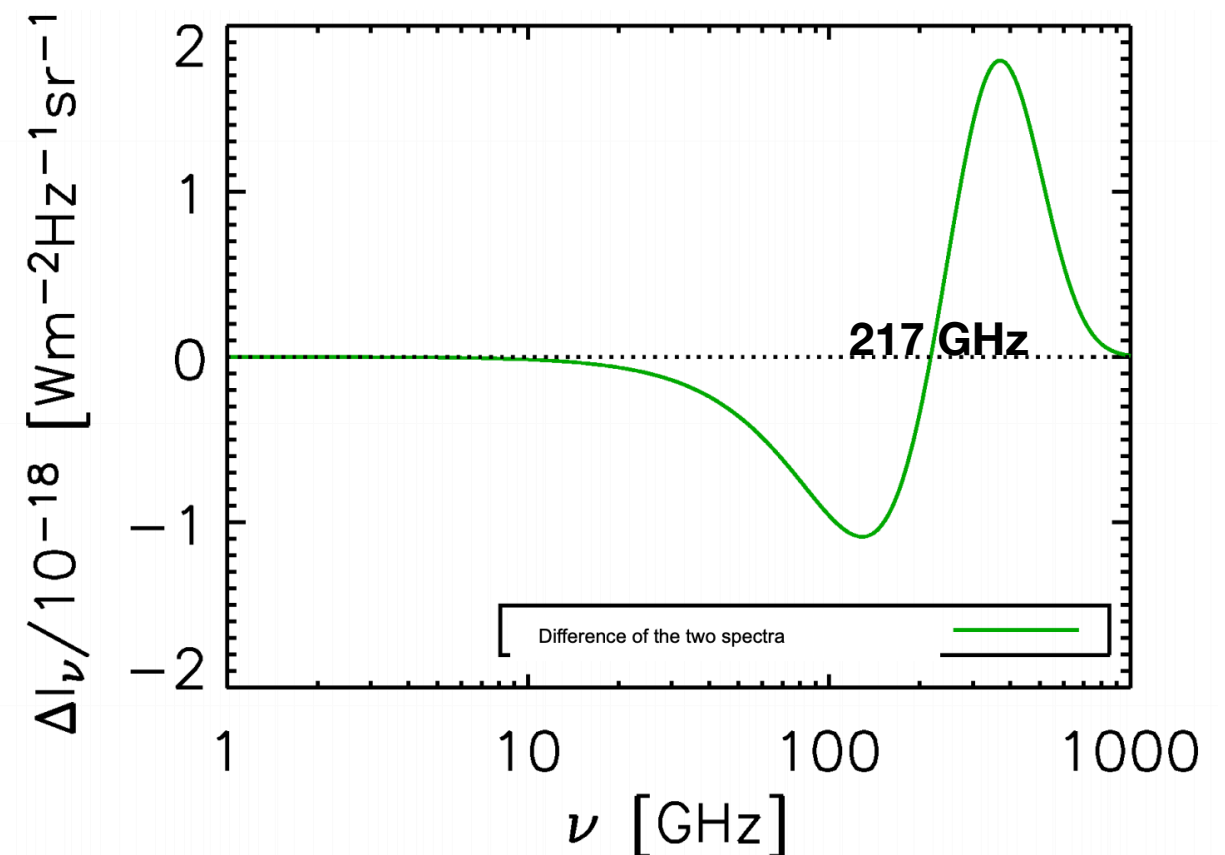
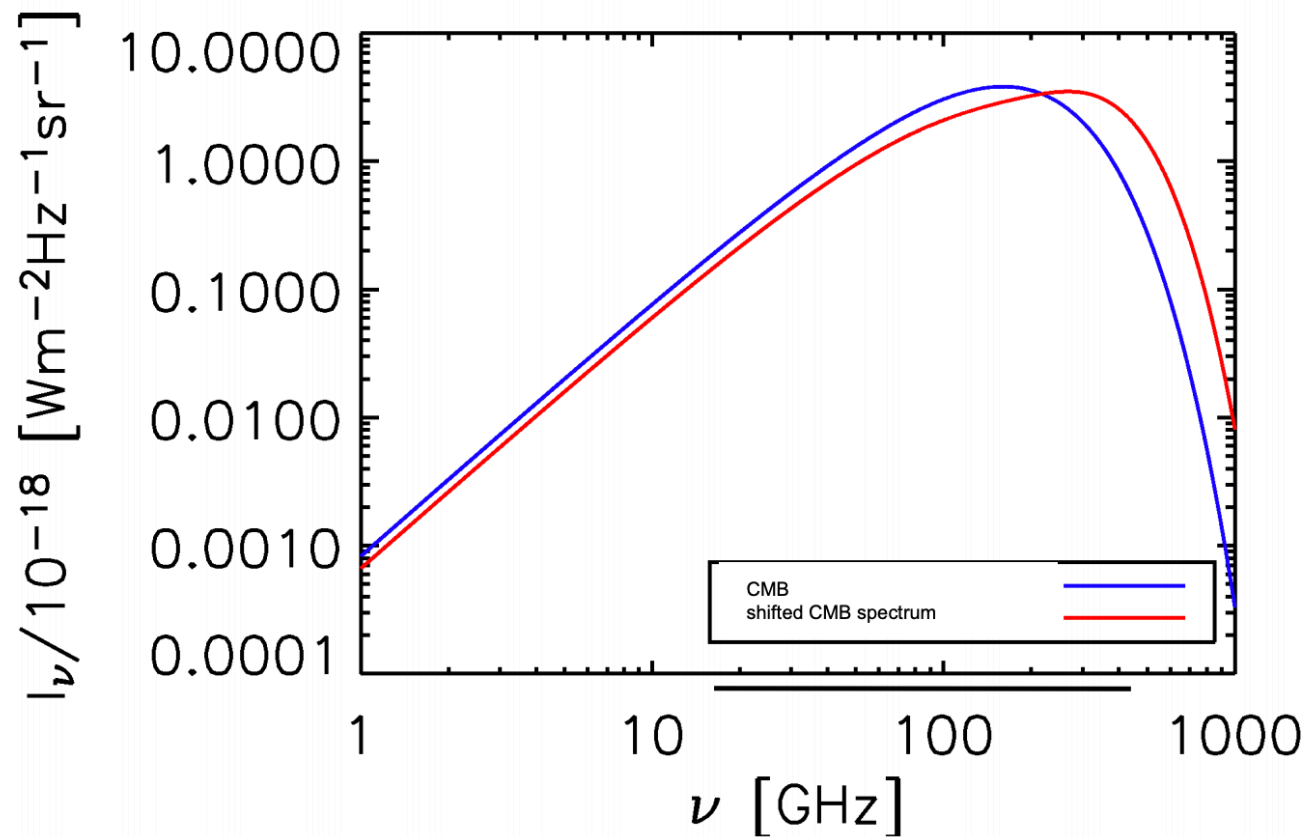
- $N_{\text{eff}}$ : Effective number of relativistic species. The small angular scales is very sensitive to the radiation content of the early Universe.
- $\sum m_\nu$ : Sum of the neutrino masses impacts growth of large scale structure, massive neutrinos slow down the cosmic structure formation.



# SO science goals: Cosmic Structure



Sunyaev and Zeldovich 1970, 1972

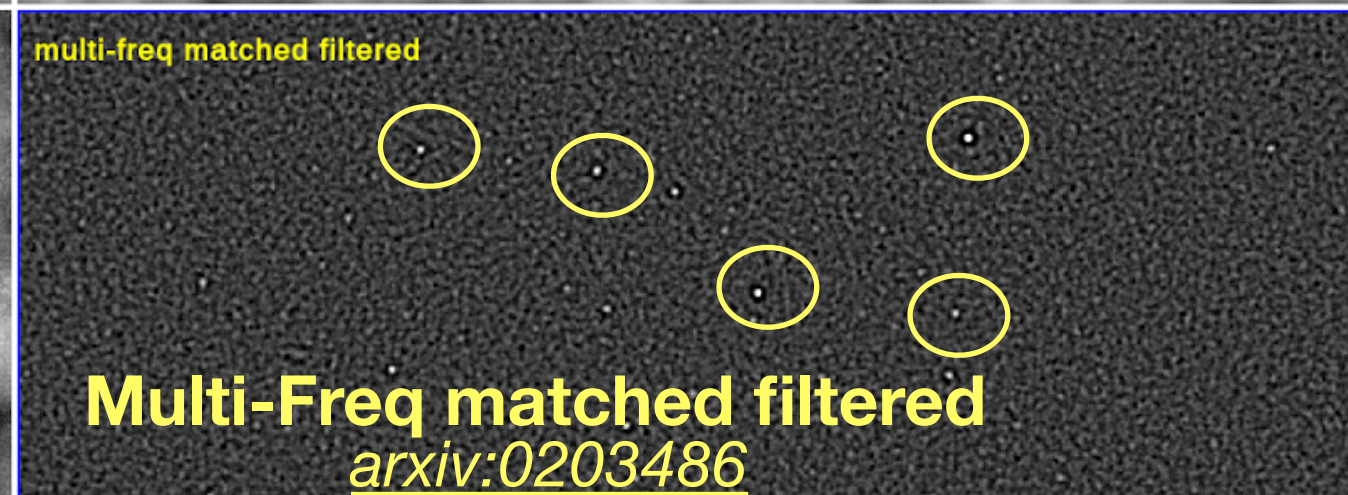
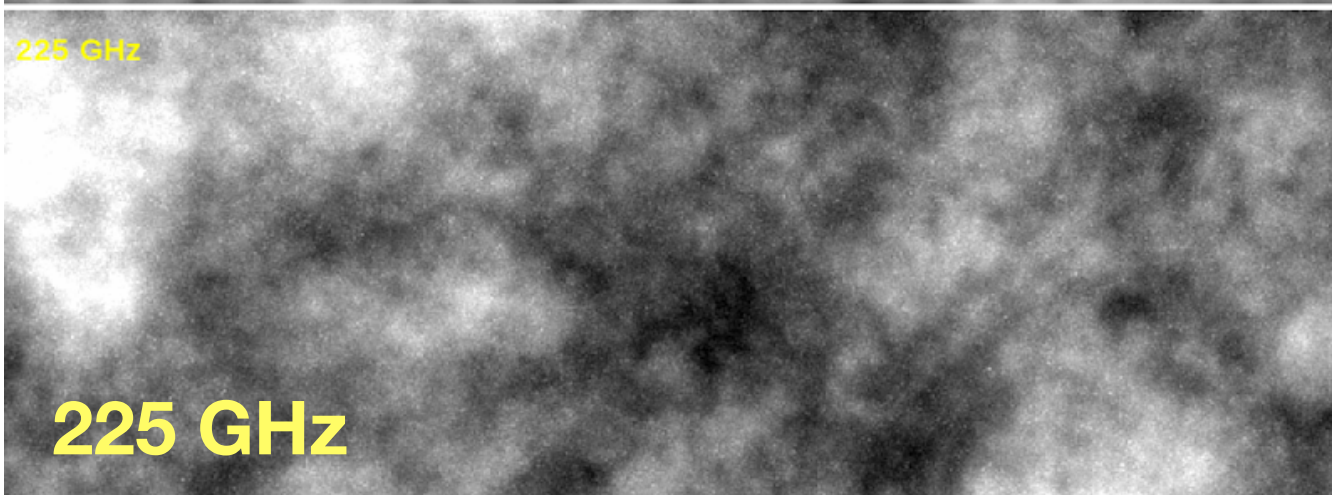
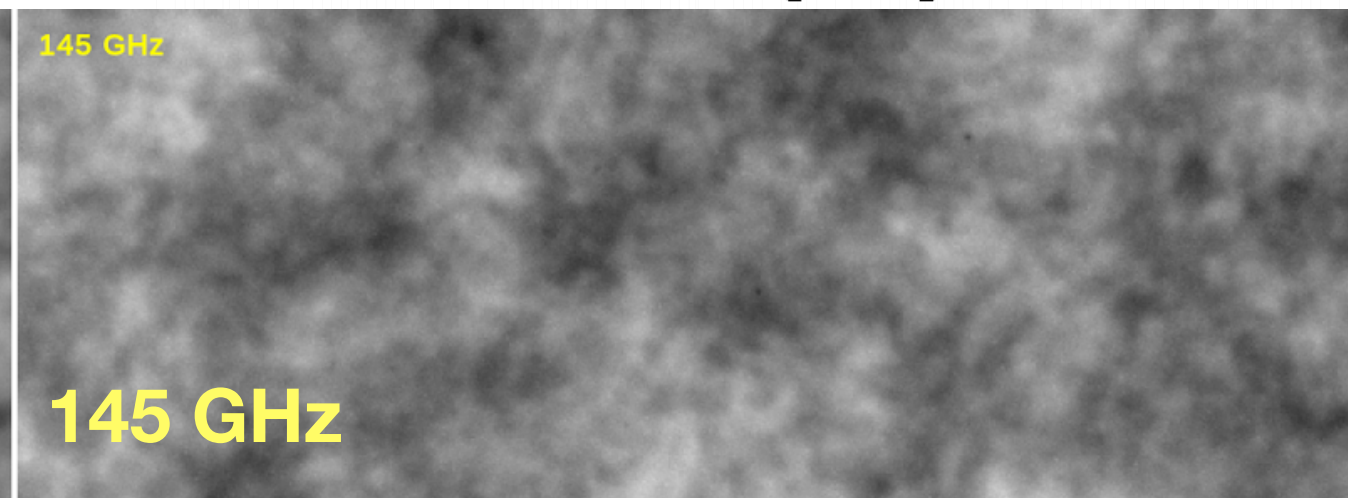
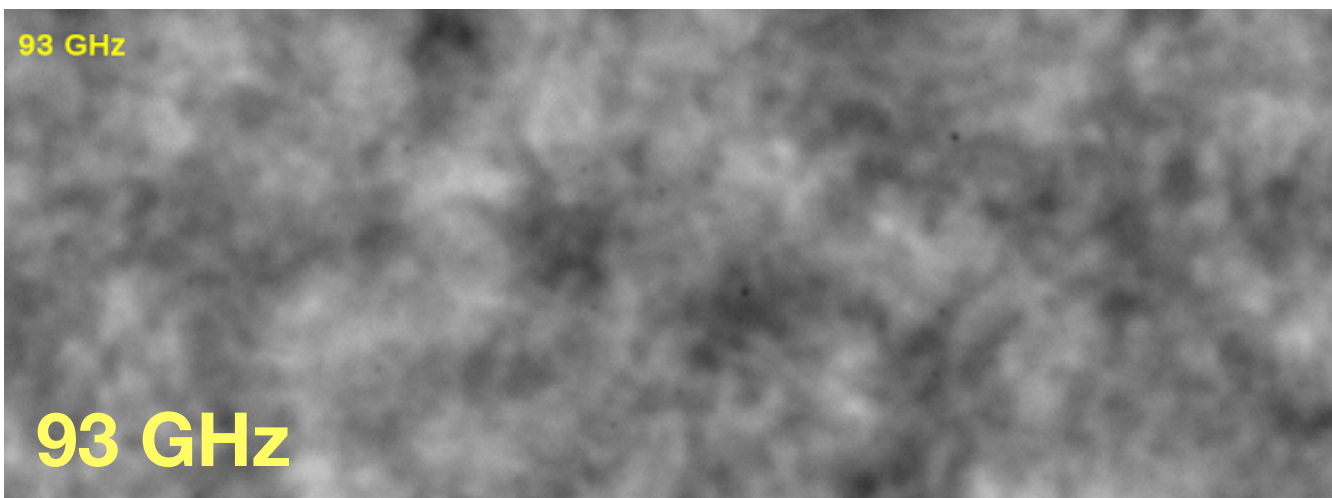
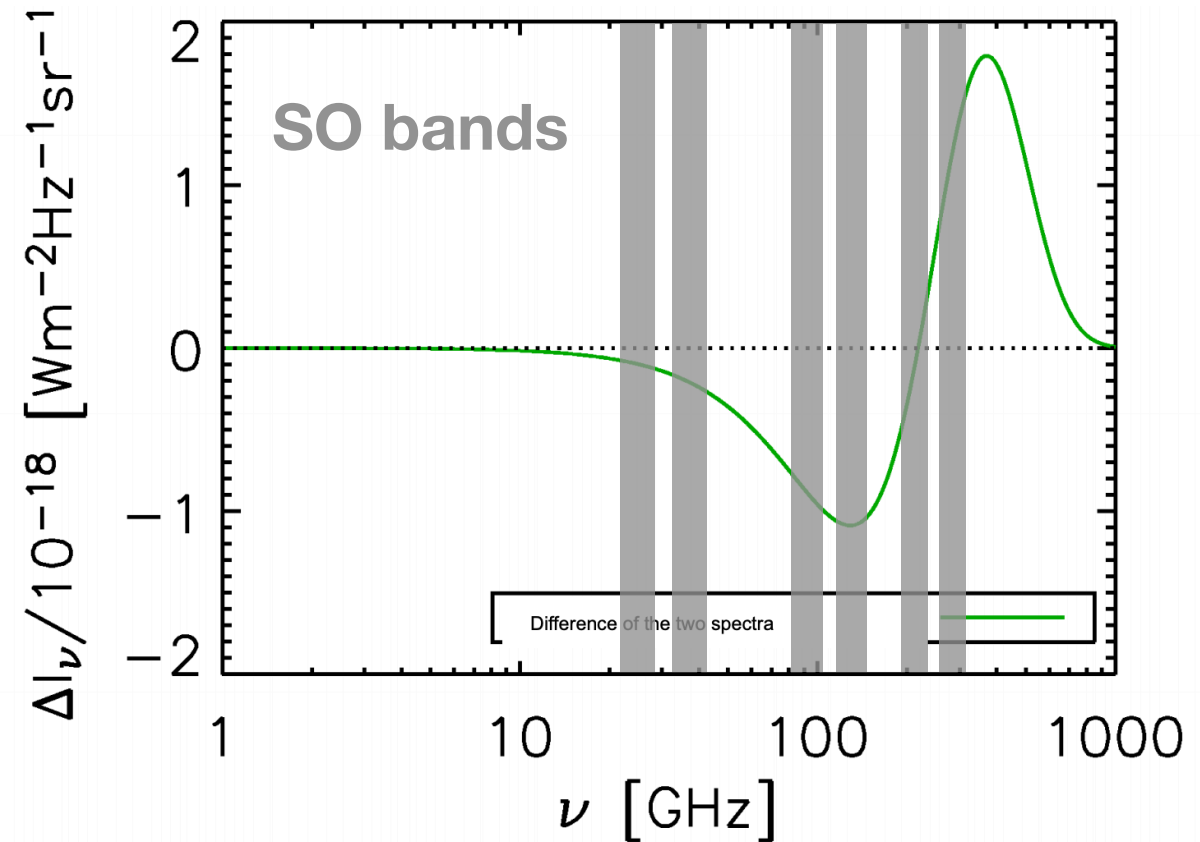


- The Sunyaev-Zel'dovich (SZ) power spectrum, kinetic SZ, CMB data as a probe of the Large Scale Structure



# SO science goals: Cosmic Structure

- Galaxy clusters strong depend on cosmological parameters
- SZ clusters constrain cosmology via cluster counts







# The Simons Observatory science goals

## SO Science Goals

ID	Title	Parameter	Baseline	Goal	Current <sup>a</sup>	SO Method
SR-1a	Primordial fluctuations	r	<b>0.003</b>	<b>0.002</b>	0.03	BB
SR-1b		P(k=0.2 /Mpc)	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	6%	T/E/k
SR-1c		f <sub>NL</sub>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	5	kSZ+LSST
			<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>		kk+LSST
SR-2	Relativistic Species	N <sub>eff</sub>	<b>0.07</b>	<b>0.05</b>	0.2	T/E
SR-3	Neutrino mass	Σm <sub>ν</sub> (eV)	<b>0.04</b>	<b>0.03</b>	0.1	kk+DESI
			<b>0.04</b>	<b>0.03</b>		tSZ-N+LSST
			<b>0.05</b>	<b>0.04</b>		tSZ-Y+DESI
SR-4a	Dark Energy	σ <sub>8</sub> (z=1-2)	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	7%	kk+LSST
			<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>		tSZ+LSST/k
SR-4b		H <sub>0</sub> (LCDM)	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	0.7	T/E
SR-5a	Galaxy Evolution	feedback efficiency in massive halos	<b>3%</b>	<b>2%</b>	50-100%	tSZ+kSZ
SR-5b		non-thermal pressure in massive halos	<b>8%</b>	<b>5%</b>		tSZ+kSZ
SR-6	Reionization	duration Δz	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>	1.4	T/E (kSZ)

All are 1-sigma

'The Simons Observatory: Science Goals and Forecasts', SO Collaboration in prep

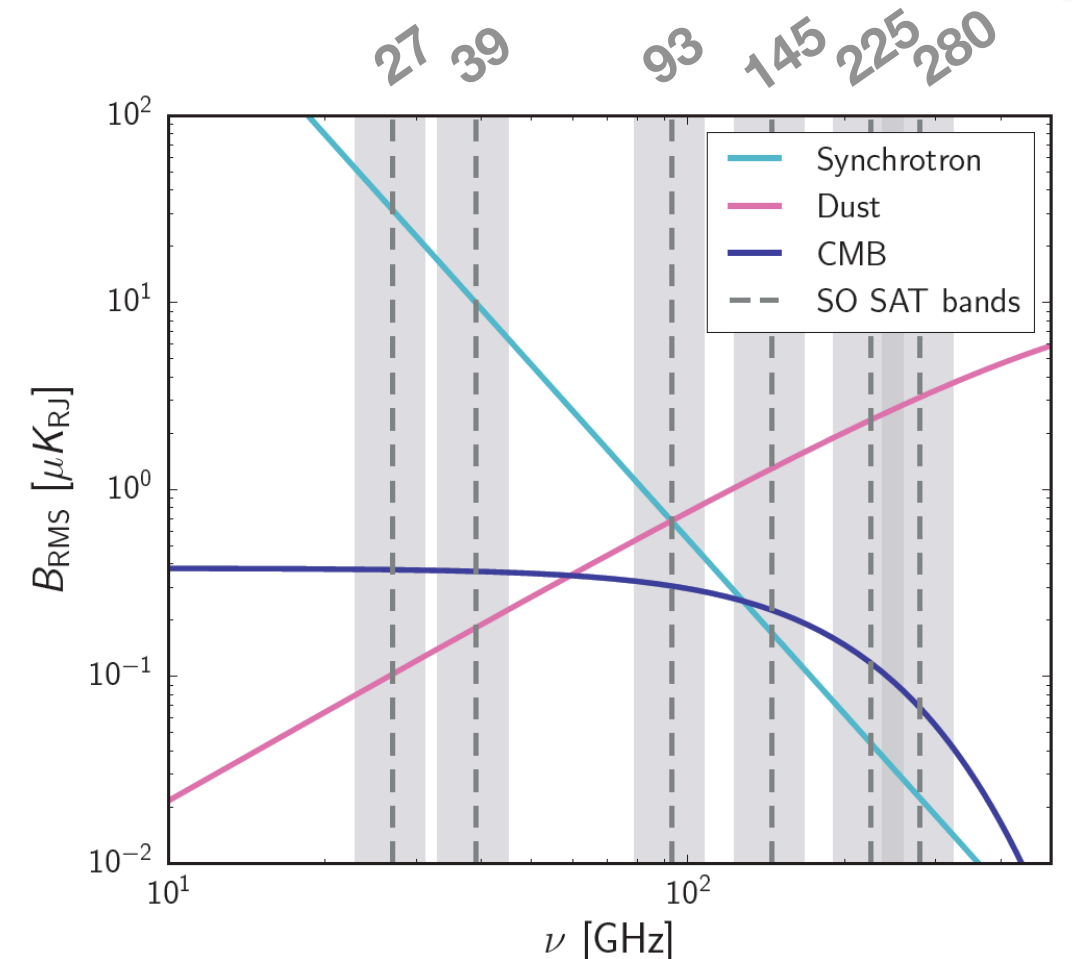
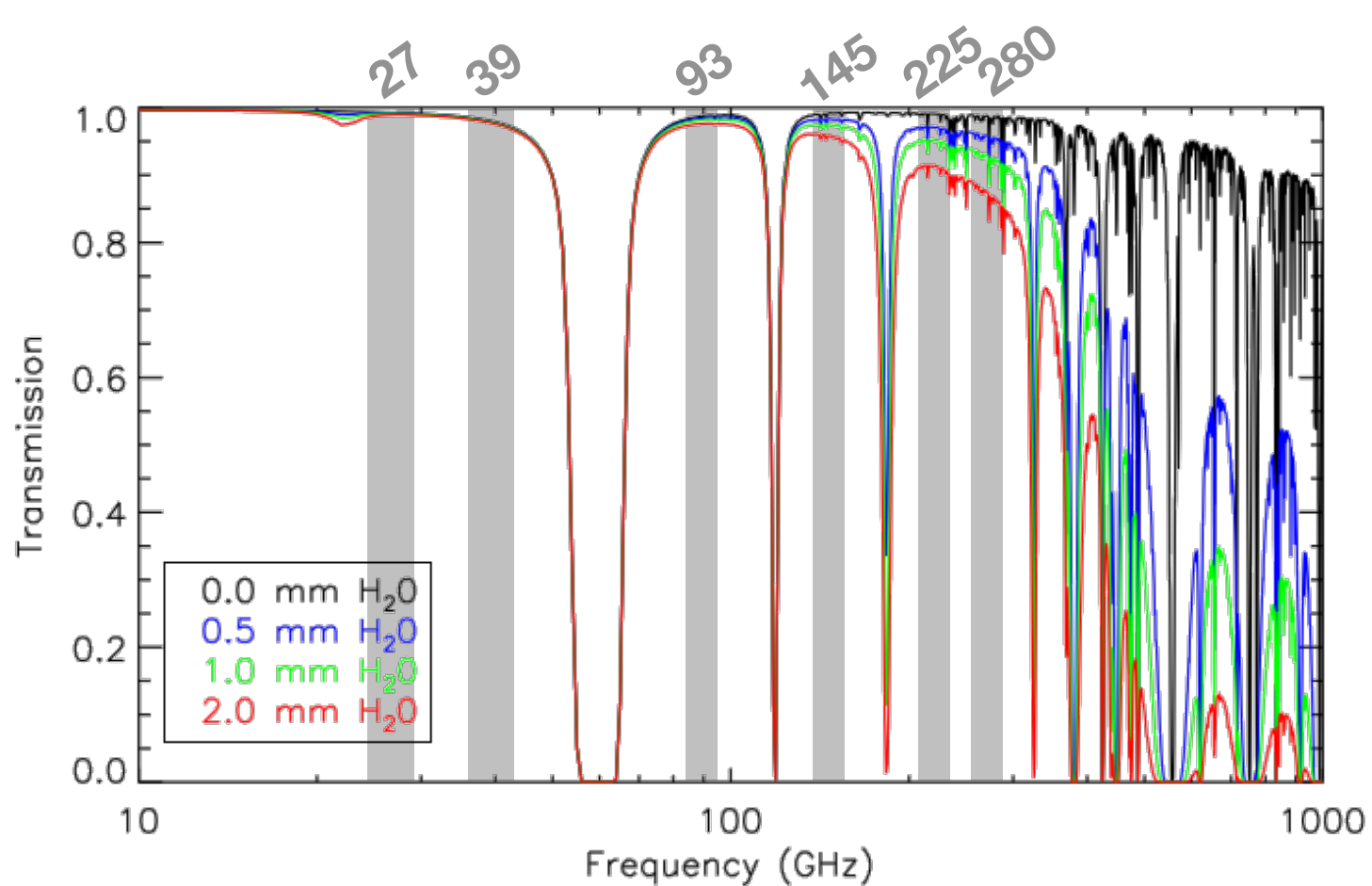
<sup>a</sup>Current constraints are from Planck T/E and kk, combined with BAO data. Bicep2/Keck BB provides the current constraint on r (r<0.07 at 95%). SPT T provides the current constrain on Δz.

- Baseline: Noise level of 2μK – arcmin for SAT, 6.5μK – arcmin for LAT
- Goal: Noise level of 1.4μK – arcmin for SAT, 4μK – arcmin for LAT
- All forecasts assume SO + Planck.
- Baseline is conservative instrument performance include systematic error budget.



# SO Frequency Bands

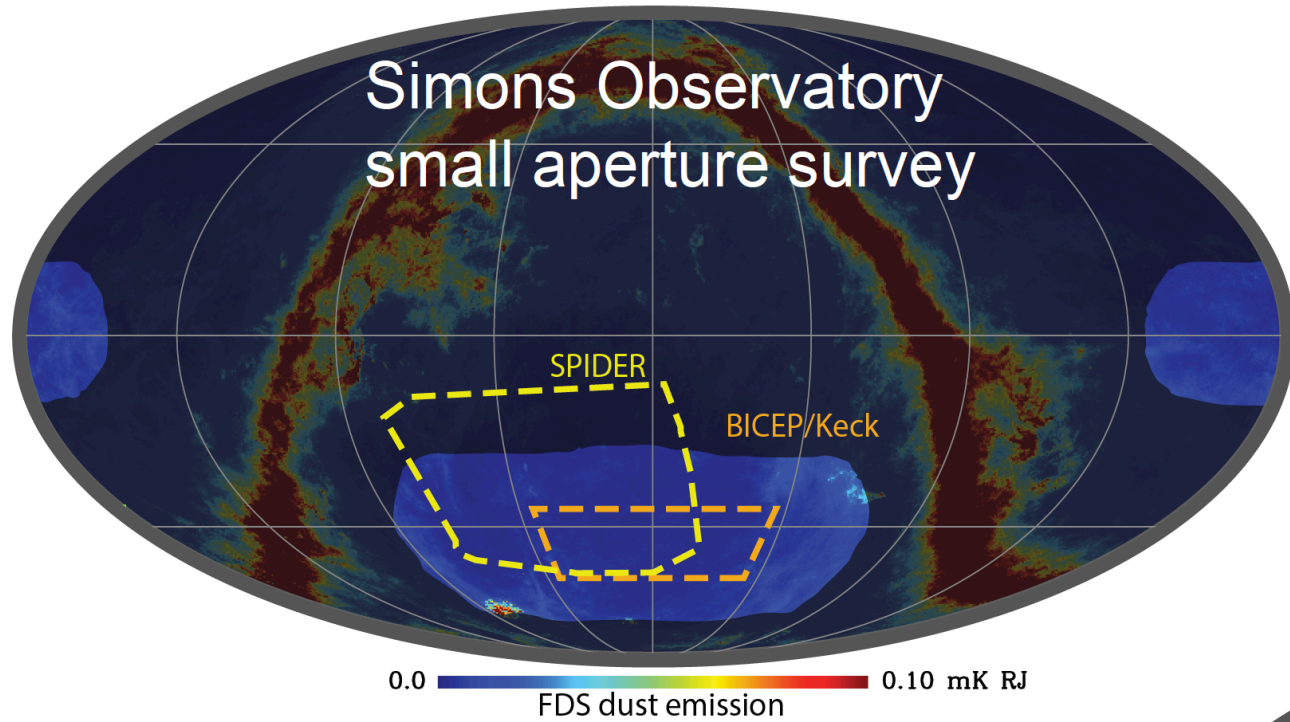
		SATs ( $f_{\text{sky}} = 0.1$ )			LAT ( $f_{\text{sky}} = 0.4$ )		
Freq. [GHz]		FWHM (')	Noise (baseline) [ $\mu\text{K-arcmin}$ ]	Noise (goal) [ $\mu\text{K-arcmin}$ ]	FWHM (')	Noise (baseline) [ $\mu\text{K-arcmin}$ ]	Noise (goal) [ $\mu\text{K-arcmin}$ ]
<b>LF</b>	27	91	35	25	7.4	71	52
	39	63	21	17	5.1	36	27
<b>MF</b>	93	30	2.6	1.9	2.2	8.0	5.8
	145	17	3.3	2.1	1.4	10	6.3
<b>HF</b>	225	11	6.3	4.2	1.0	22	15
	280	9	16	10	0.9	54	37



- We exploit almost **all available atmospheric windows** on both LAT and SAT



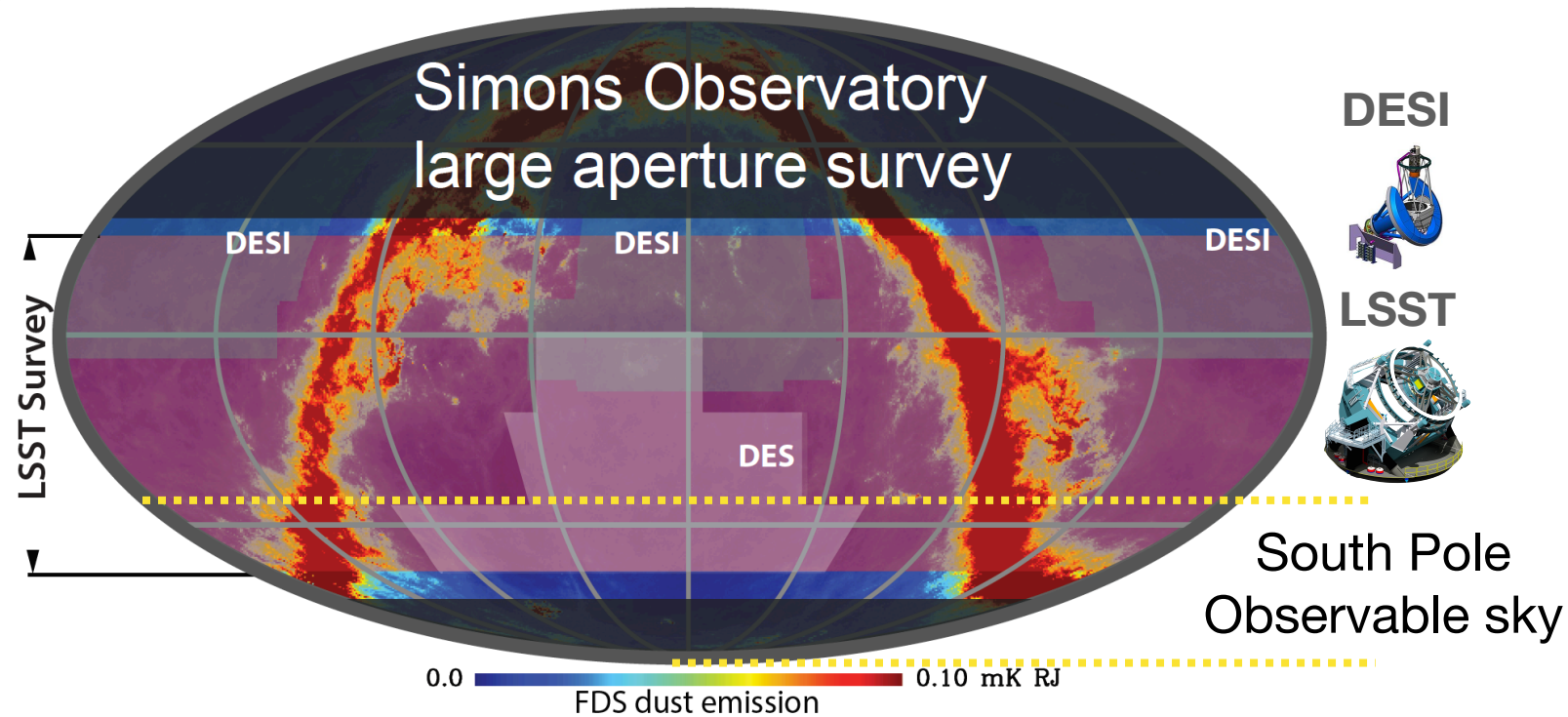
# SO Sky Coverage



$$f_{sky} \approx 10\%$$

- **Low foreground regions for Inflation and Lensing**

$$f_{sky} \approx 40\%$$

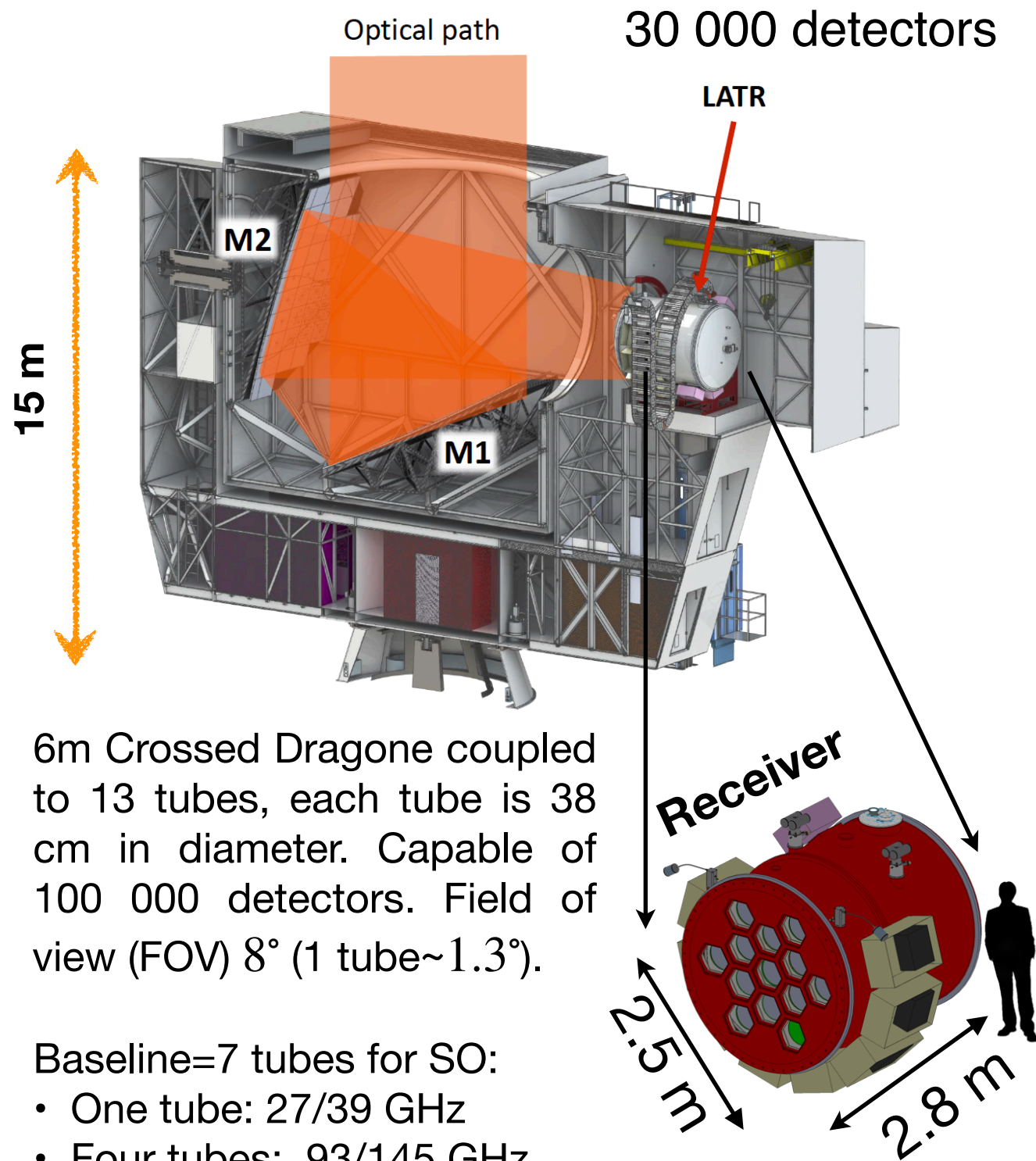


- **Overlap with optical surveys Large Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST), Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI) measurements for neutrinos, dark energy, dark matter, and astrophysics.**



# The Simons Observatory instruments

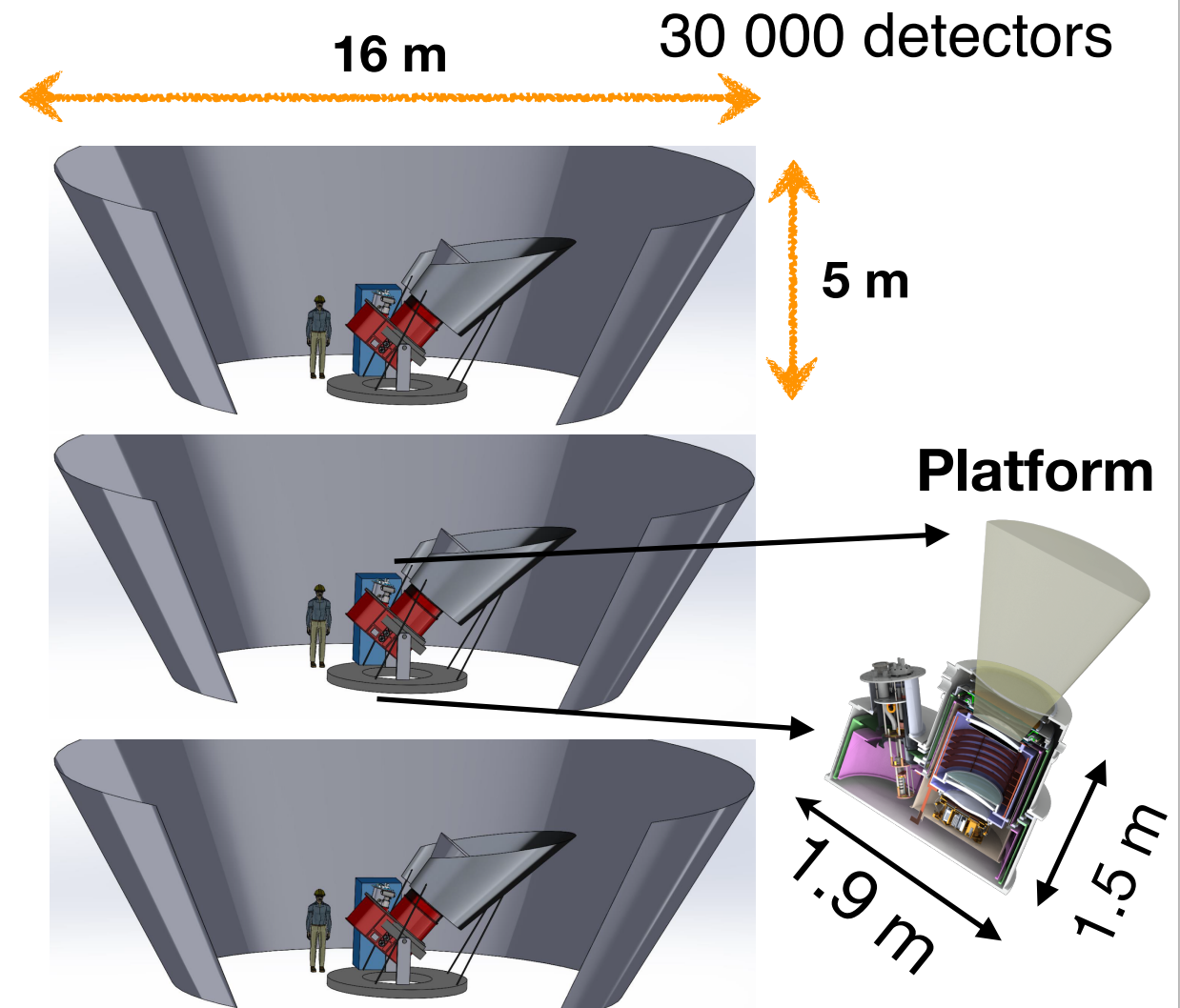
## Large aperture telescope (LAT)



6m Crossed Dragone coupled to 13 tubes, each tube is 38 cm in diameter. Capable of 100 000 detectors. Field of view (FOV)  $8^\circ$  (1 tube~ $1.3^\circ$ ).

- Baseline=7 tubes for SO:
- One tube: 27/39 GHz
  - Four tubes: 93/145 GHz
  - Two tubes: 225/280 GHz

## Small aperture telescopes (SAT)



Three 42 cm diameter refractors, rotating half-wave plate. FOV  $35^\circ$   
 Frequency bands:  
 27/39 | 93/145 (2-SAT) | 225/280 GHz (1-SAT)

**FIRST LIGHT IN 2020**



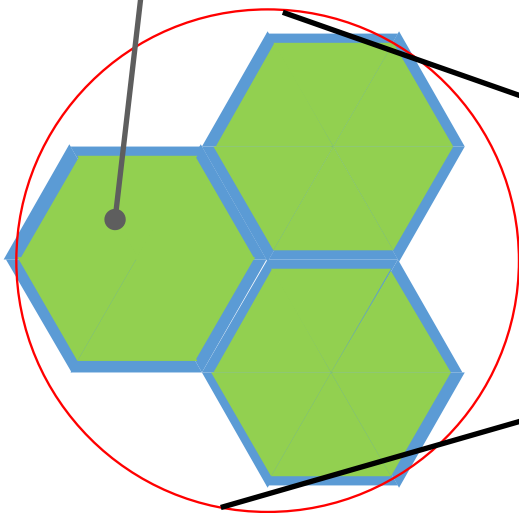
# Large Aperture Telescope Receiver (LATR)

- **Total weight ~ 5000kg! (~elephant)**  
when populated with 13 tubes

- **2 Cryomech pulse tube PT90s**  
➔ 180 W of cooling at 80 K

- Fabricated from 150mm diameter silicon wafers

38cm



- **2 Cryomech pulse tube PT420 coolers**  
➔ 165 watts of cooling at 40 K  
➔ 6 watts of cooling at 4 K

- **Dilution Refrigerator**  
➔ 17 mW at 1K  
➔ 500  $\mu$ W at 100 mK

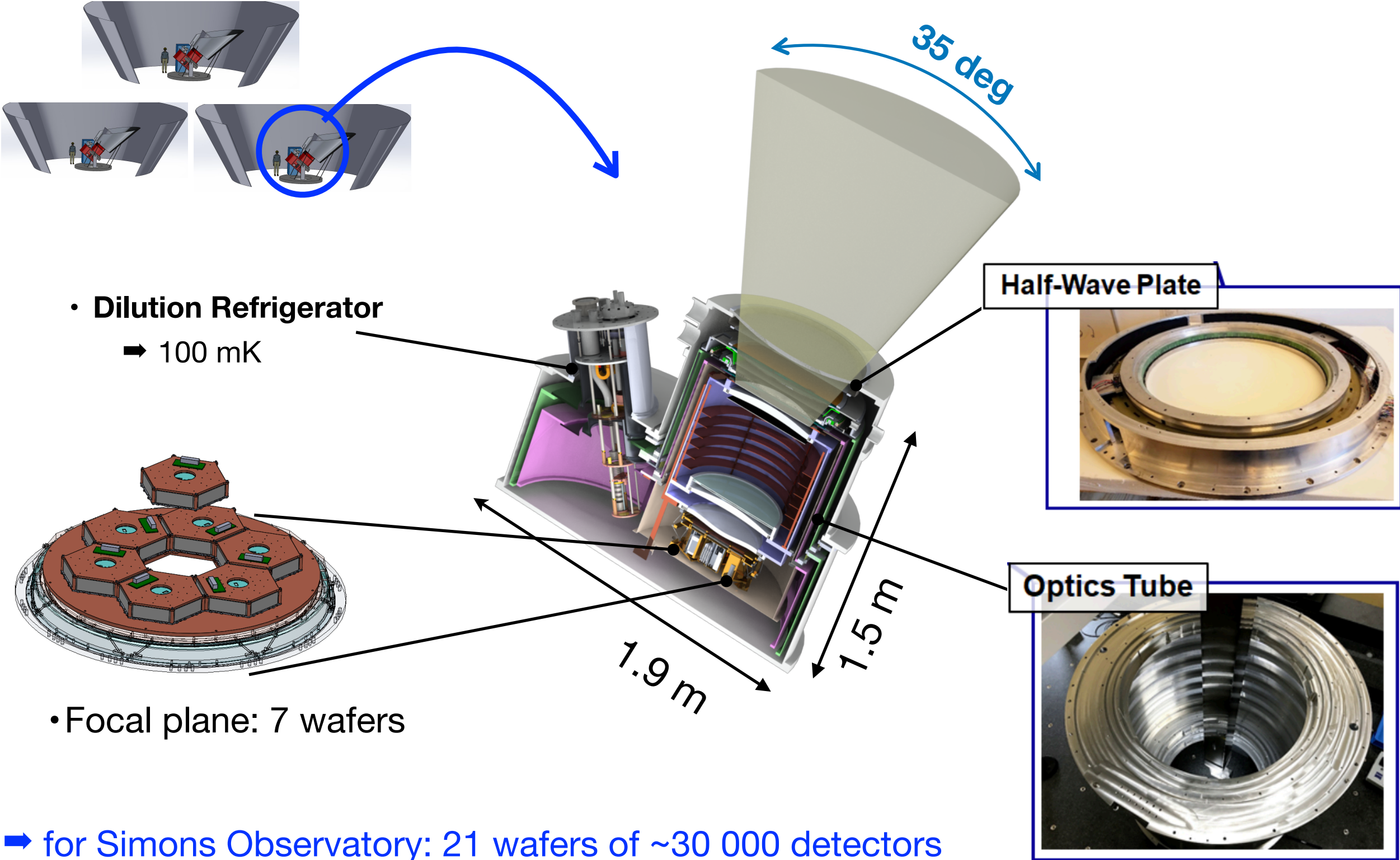
- **Optics tubes**  
➔ Three anti-reflection coated silicon lenses.  
➔ Cold (1K) Lyot Stop.

- 1200 kg cooled to 4K
- 200 kg cooled to 100 mK
- **Up to 13 optics tubes**  
➔ 7 currently planned for SO

- **100 000 detectors capacity in this cryostat**  
➔ 30 000 planned for SO
- The optics tubes can be replaced while cryostat is installed.
- Collaboration with CCAT and built by Vertex



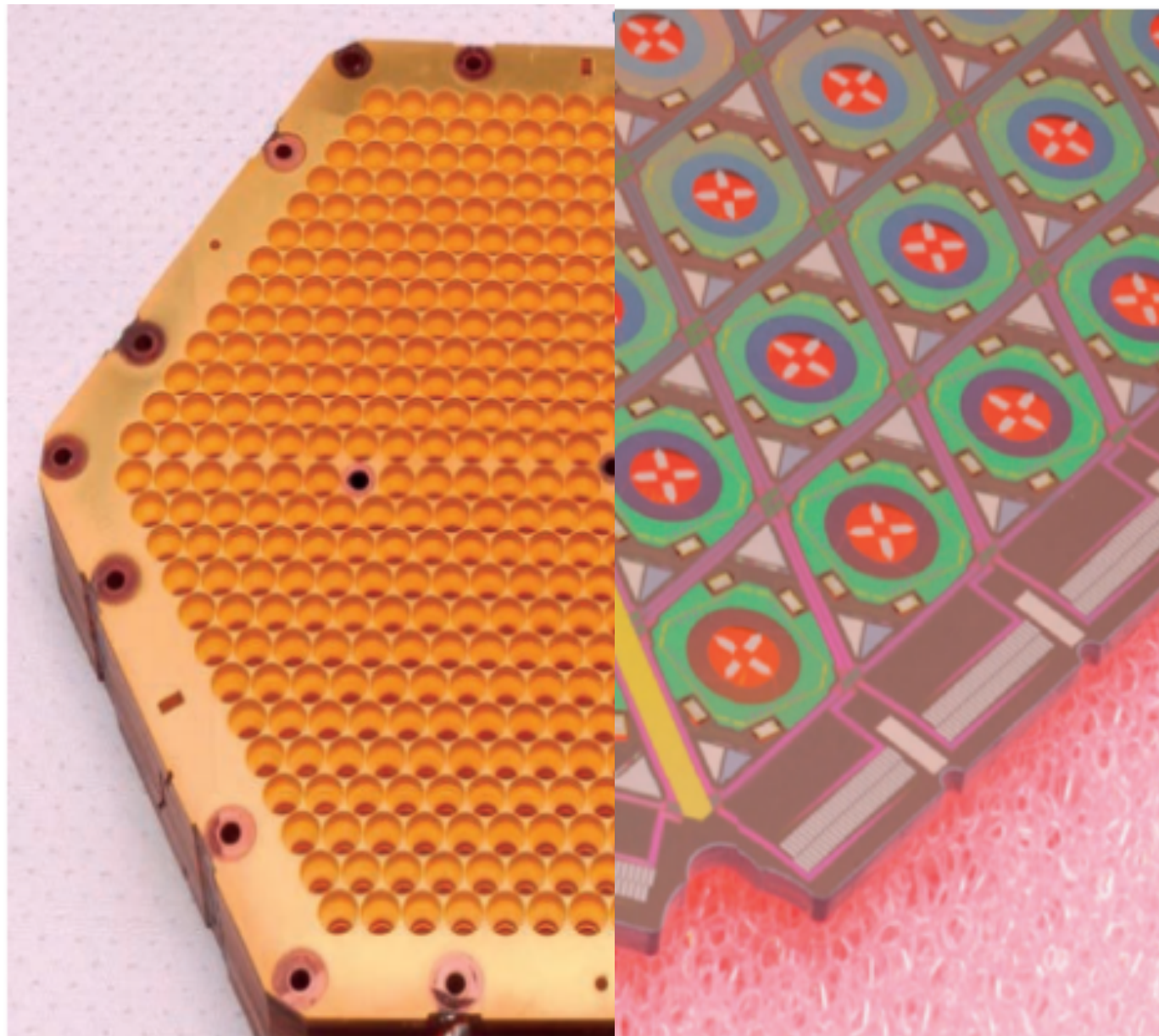
# Small Aperture Telescope Platform (SATP)



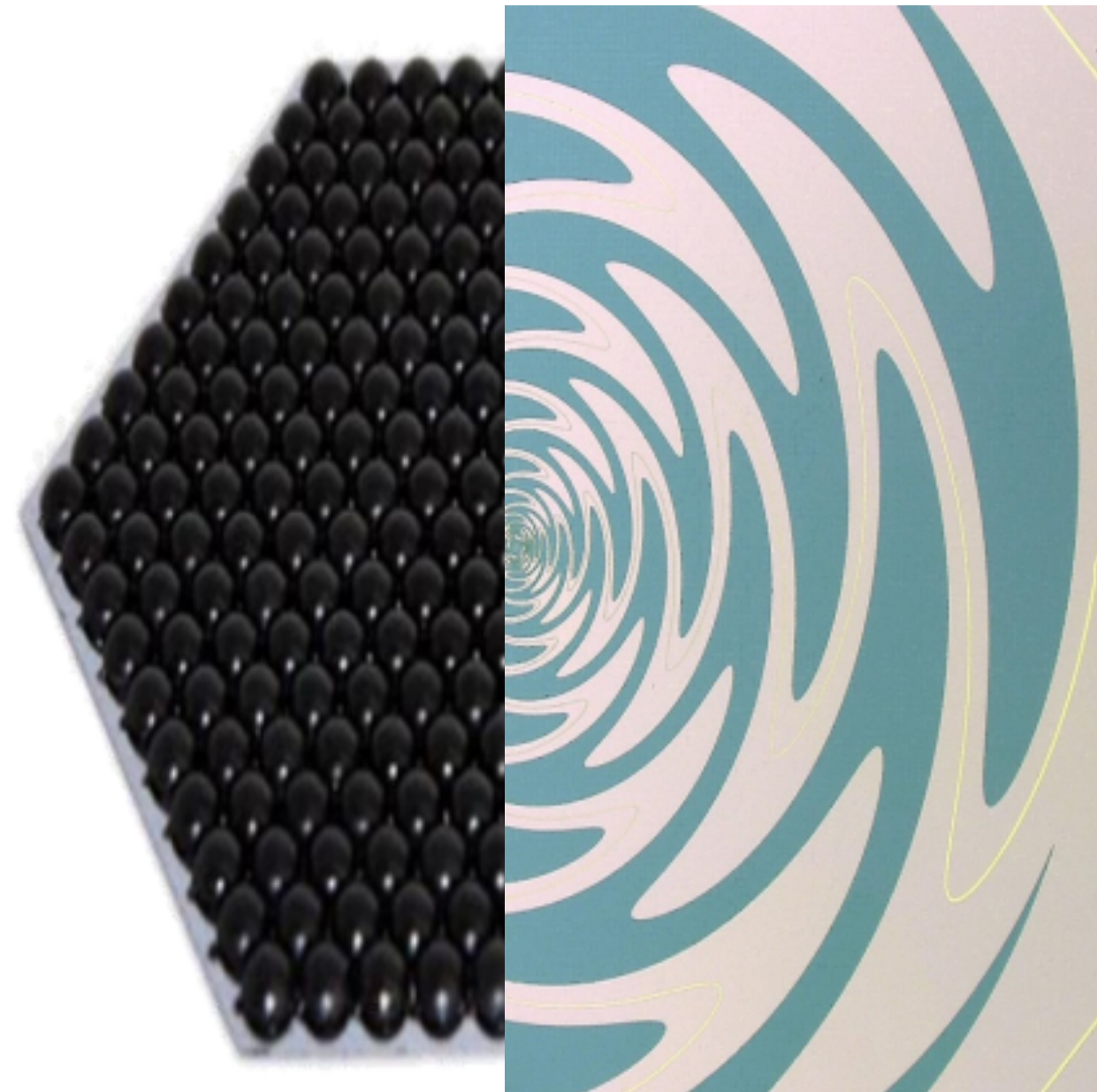


# The Simons Observatory Detectors

- Two detector architectures



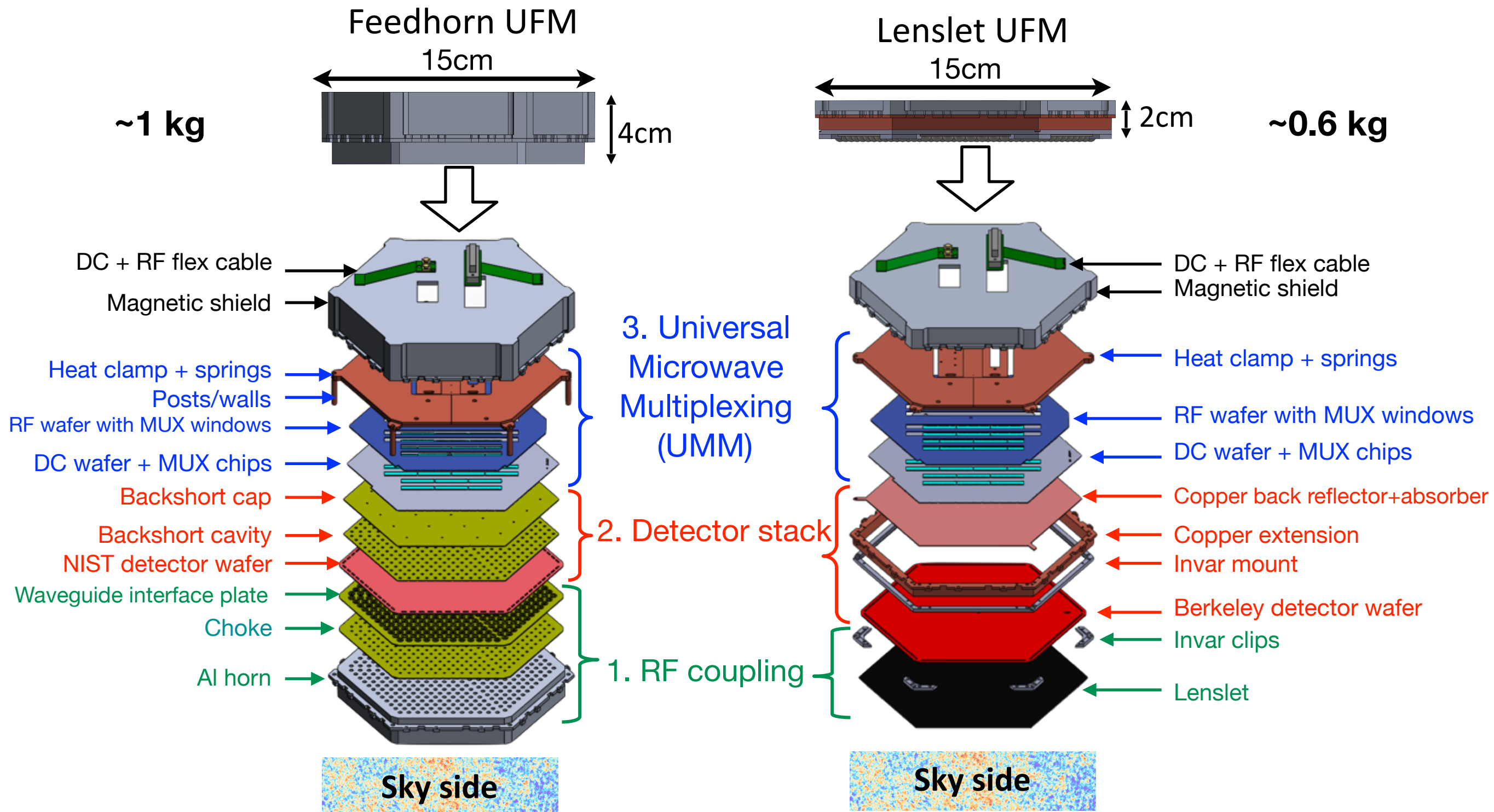
**Orthomode transducers (OMT) feedhorn Array**  
**Mid-Frequency (MF), High-Frequency (HF)**  
**(NIST: ACT, SPT, SPIDER)**



**Sinuuous antenna + lenslet array**  
**Low-Frequency (LF), MF**  
**(Berkeley: Polarbear, Simons Array, SPT)**



# The Universal Focal plane Module (UFM)

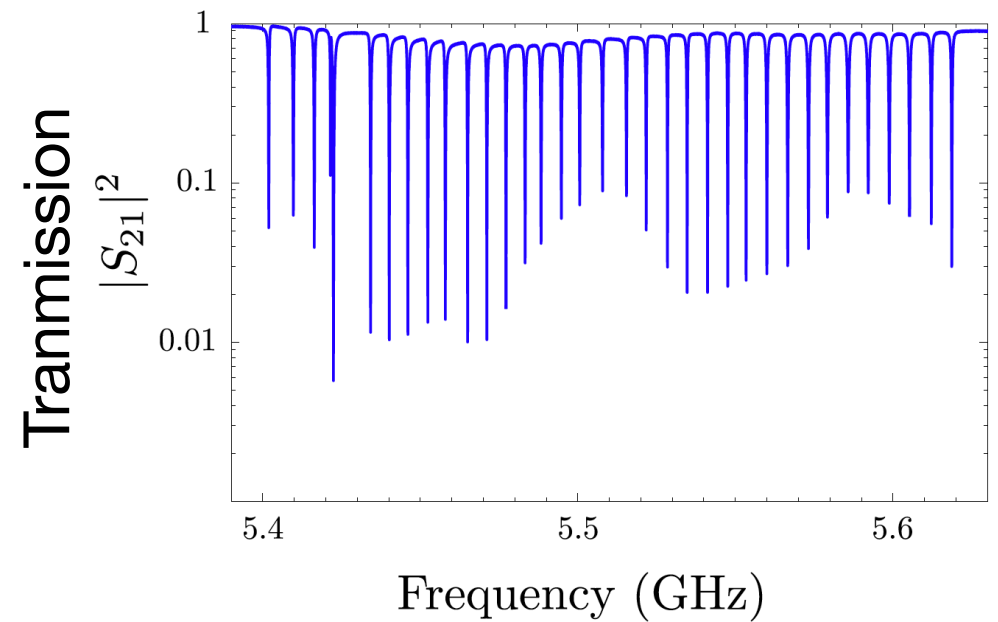
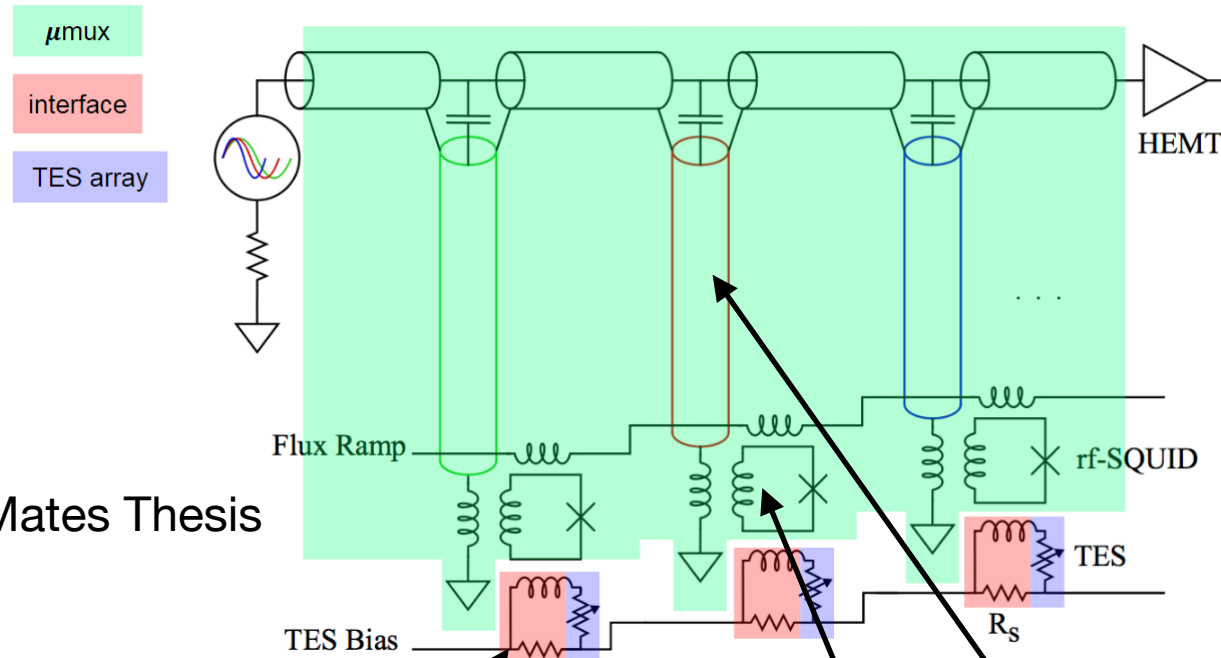


- Many stacked wafers to improve bolometer efficiency
- The Transition Edge Sensor (TES) will be AlMn alloys with critical temperature 160 mK
- The normal resistance target is 8 mΩ
- ~ 2000 TES per detector wafer

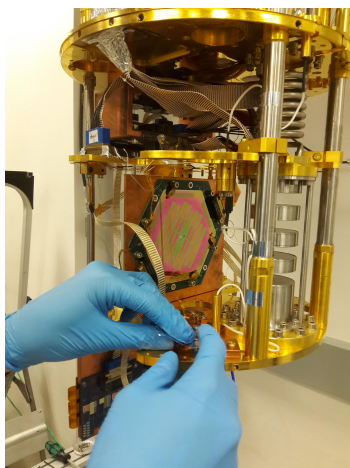


# The Simons Observatory Detector Readout

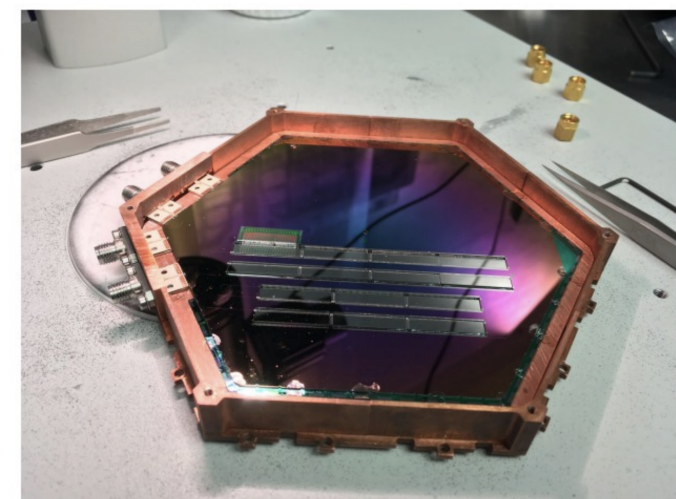
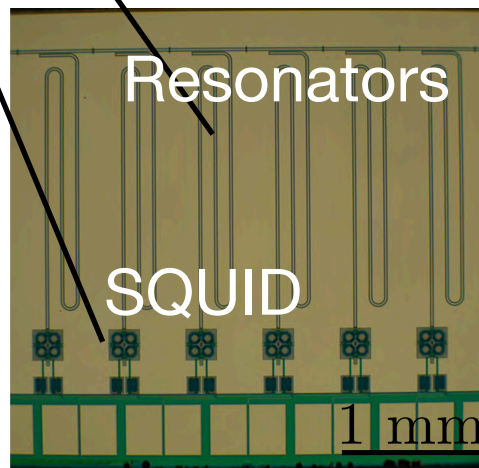
- Frequency domain multiplexing: Microwave SQUID Multiplexer ( $\mu\text{mux}$ ) concept.
- Each detector is coupled to a resonant circuit such that its output signal is converted to a change in the resonance of the circuit.
- Readout  $\sim$  2000 detectors per wafer.



J.A.B. Mates Thesis



DC wafer

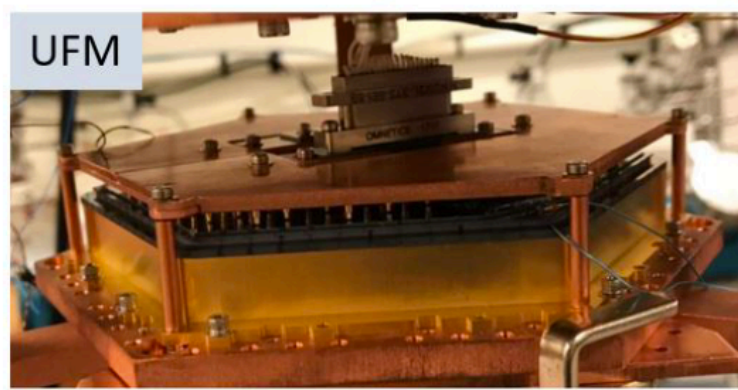
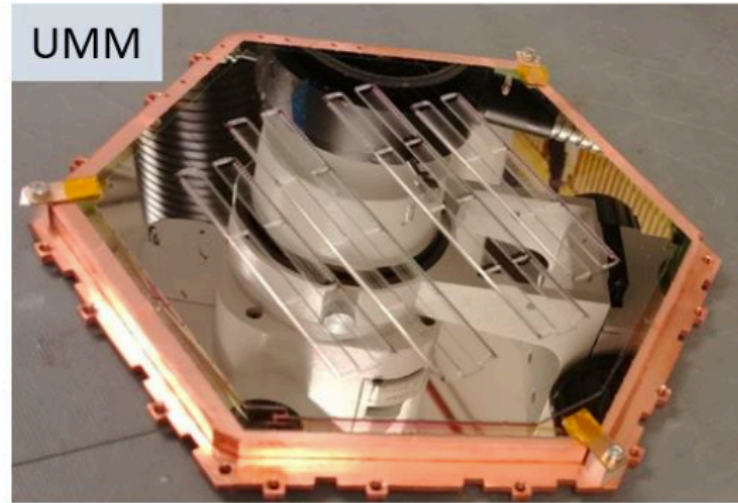


- **Cornell, Princeton universities are testing the Universal Microwave-Multiplexing module (UMM) and the Universal Focal plane Module (UFM).**

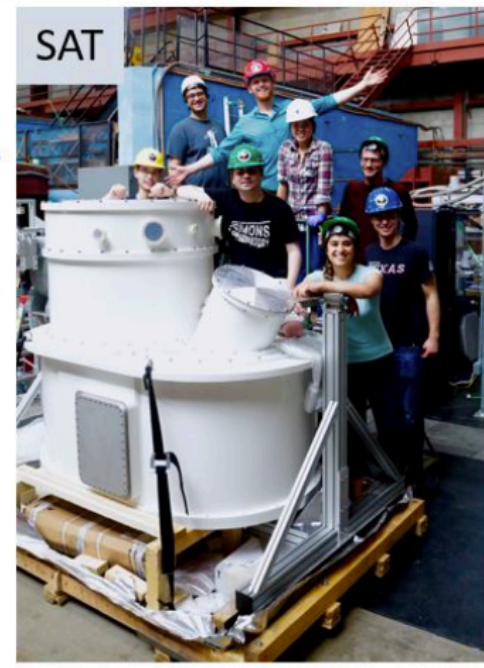


# The Simons Observatory Progress 2019

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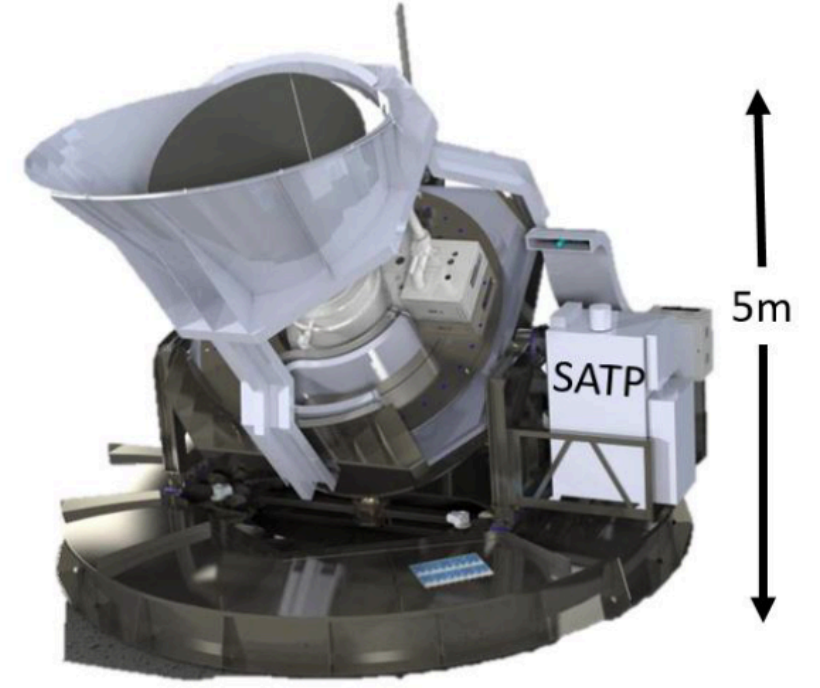


• University of Pennsylvania



• University California San Diego

• Vertex - Germany



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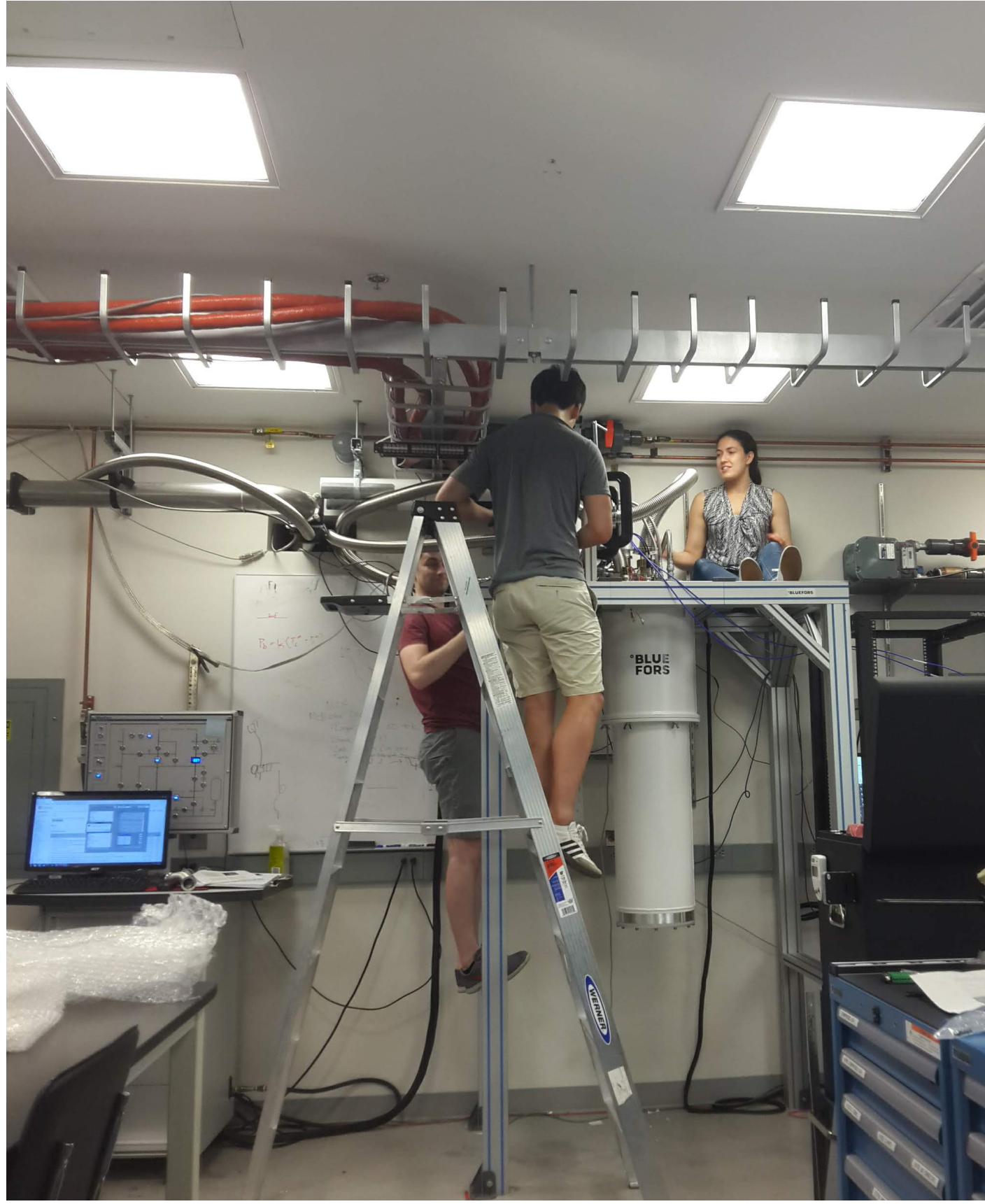
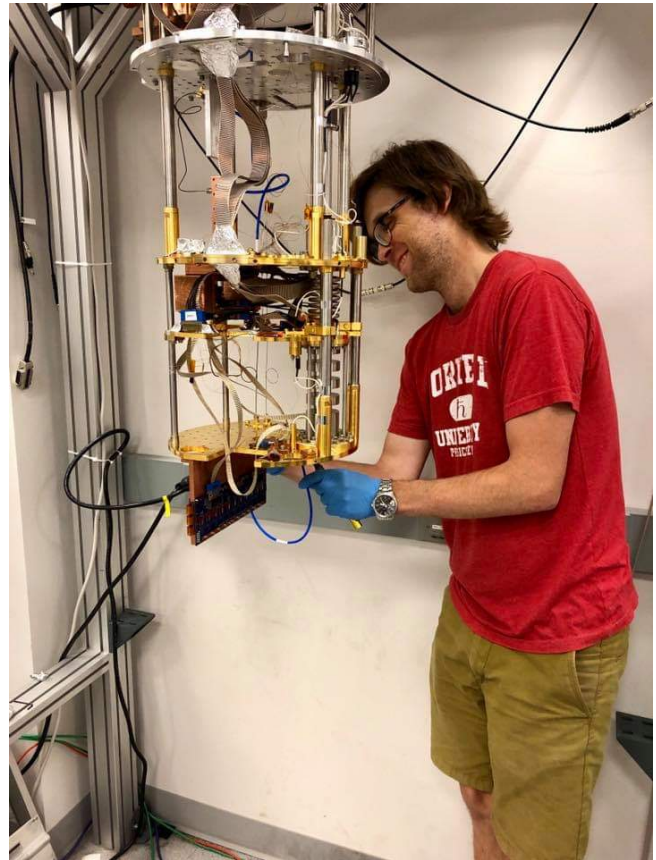
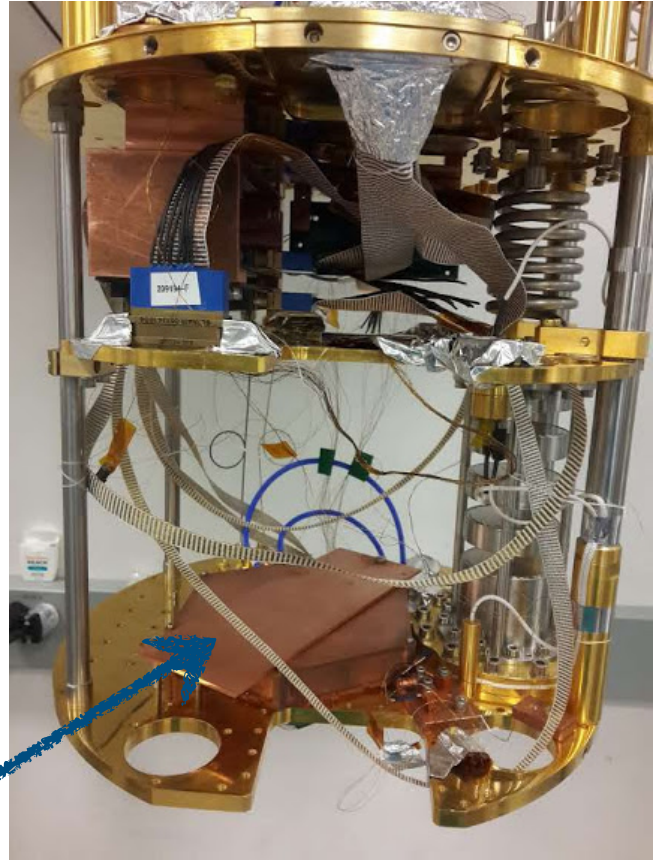
• The Universal Microwave-Multiplexing module (UMM) is combined with the detector wafer to form the Universal Focal plane Module (UFM)





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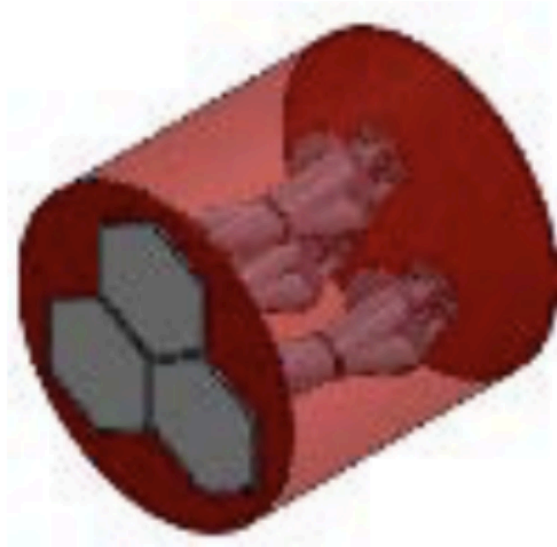
Cornell UFM testbed



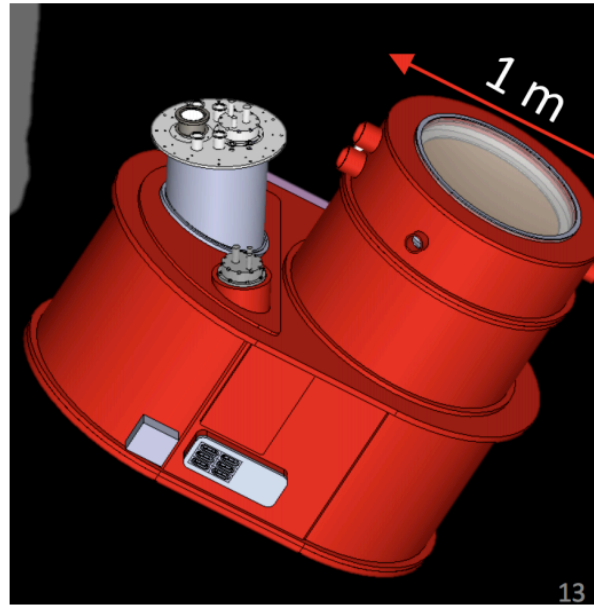


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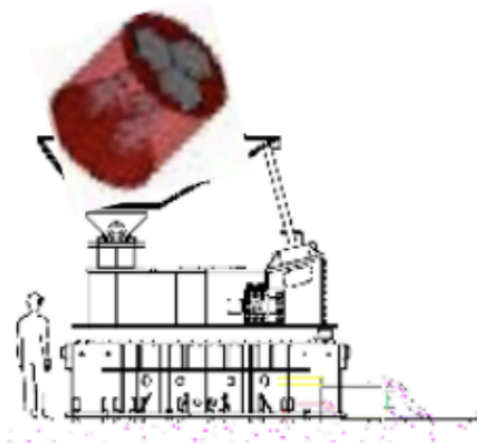


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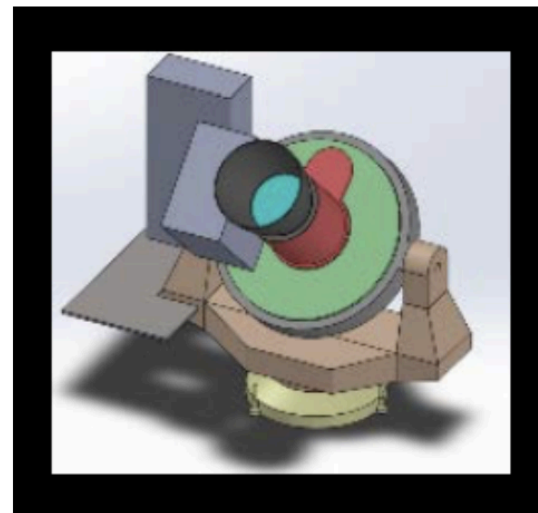


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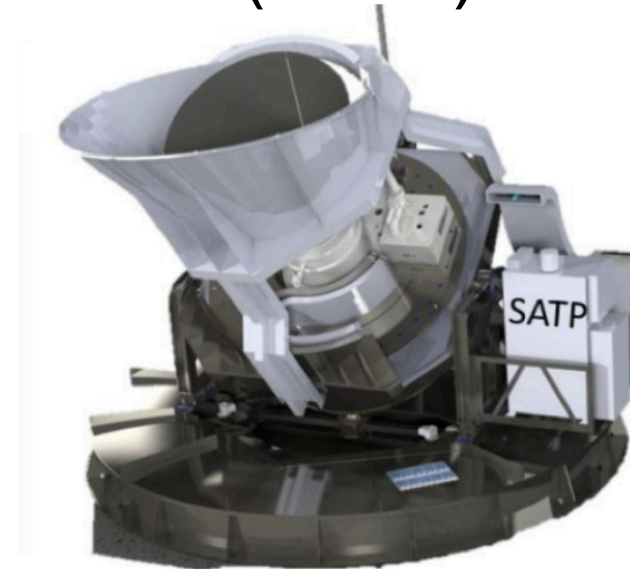
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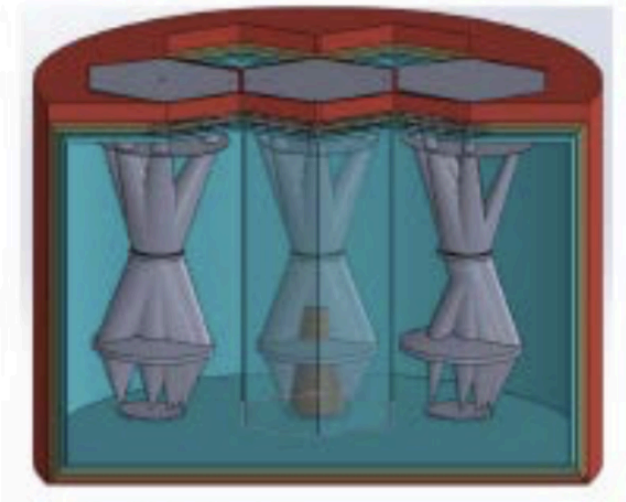


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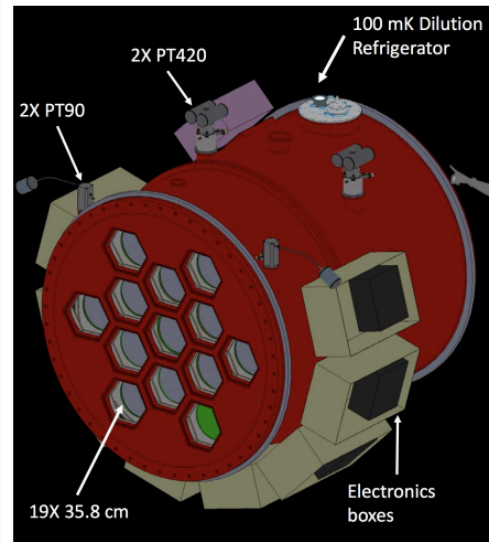


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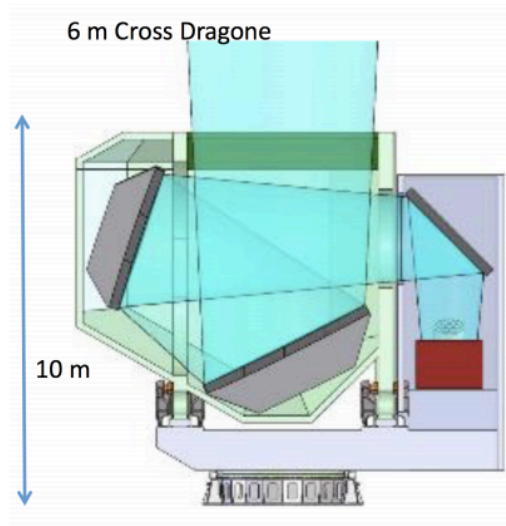


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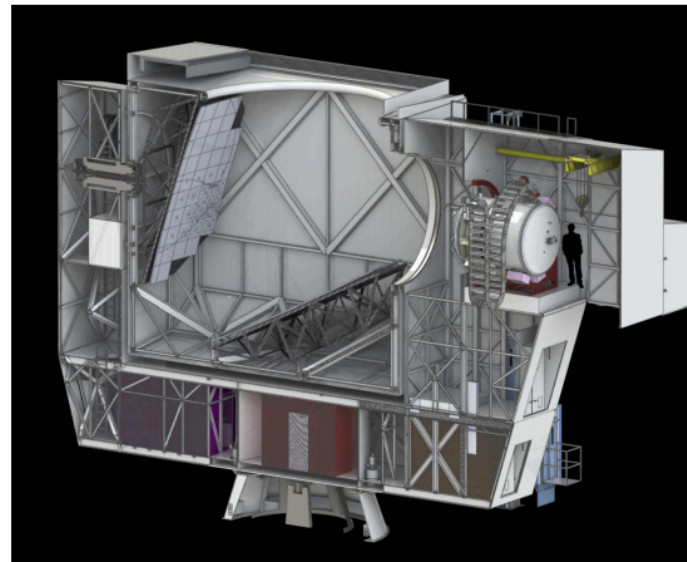


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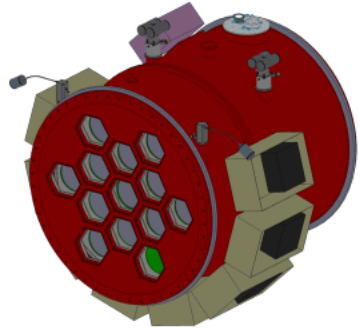
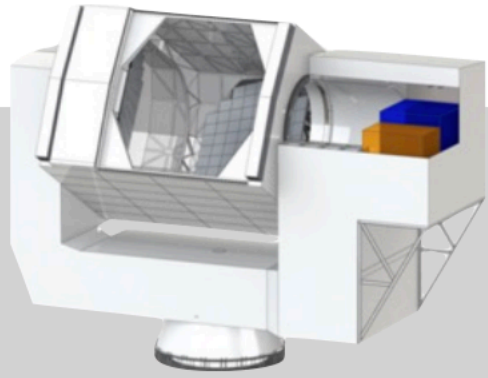
Sub-Contracts in place  
Construction underway

2019



# Simons Observatory Schedule

Large Aperture telescope construction by VERTEX



Large Aperture Receiver Design

Manufacture

Cryogenic test

integration and test

ship and testing

scientific observations

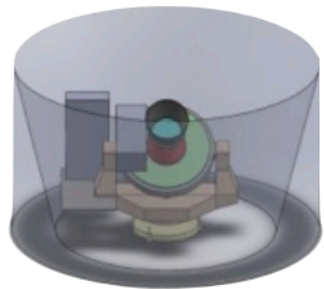
2018

2019

2020

2021

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Small Aperture Platform Design

Platform Fabrication

acceptance test

ship

install and test

First SAT on sky 2020

scientific observations

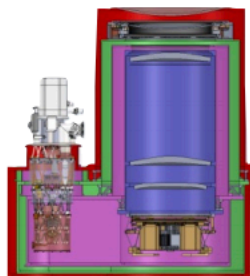
Small Aperture Camera Design

Manufacture

Cryogenic test

integration and test

ship and testing



- site design and construction
- analysis pipeline development
- calibration strategy
- etc.

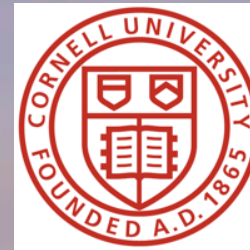
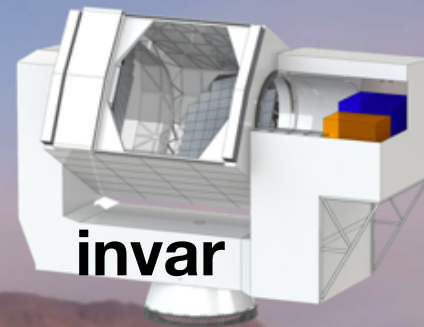
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# Upcoming Atacama Telescopes

## CCAT-prime

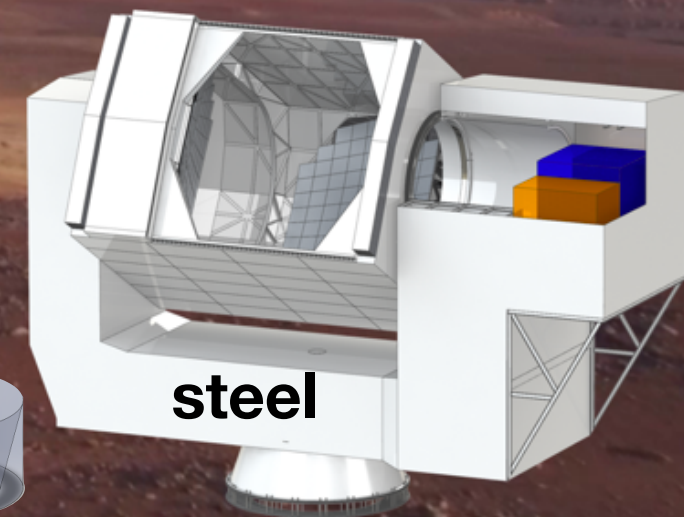
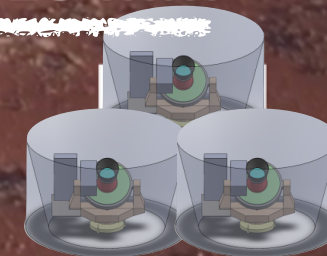
Cosmic Structure Evolution  
Broadband + Spectroscopy  
 $\lambda = 0.2 - 3.0 \text{ mm}$



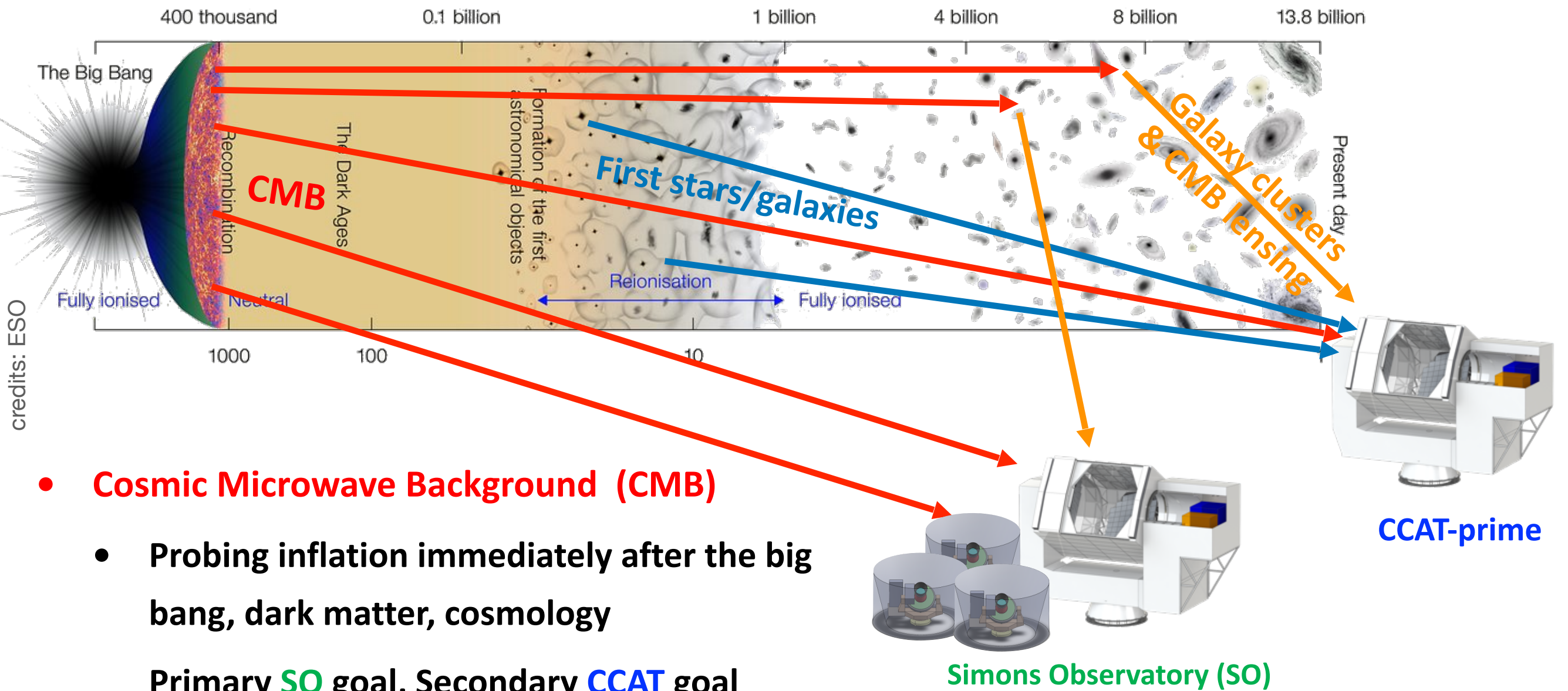
5600m, The Cerro Chajnantor Atacama Telescope

## Simons Observatory

CMB Polarization  
Broadband  
 $\lambda = 1.0 - 10 \text{ mm}$







- **Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB)**

- Probing inflation immediately after the big bang, dark matter, cosmology

Primary **SO** goal, Secondary **CCAT** goal

- **Galaxy clusters & CMB lensing**

- Measuring structures via effects on the CMB & characterizing dark energy

Primary **CCAT** and **SO** goals

- **First stars/galaxies**

- Spectroscopic measurements of ionized carbon from the first galaxies.

Primary **CCAT** goal





# CCAT-prime



A Large Aperture Telescope that can map the CMB 10x faster

Director: Terry Herter, Cornell

<http://www.ccatobservatory.org/>

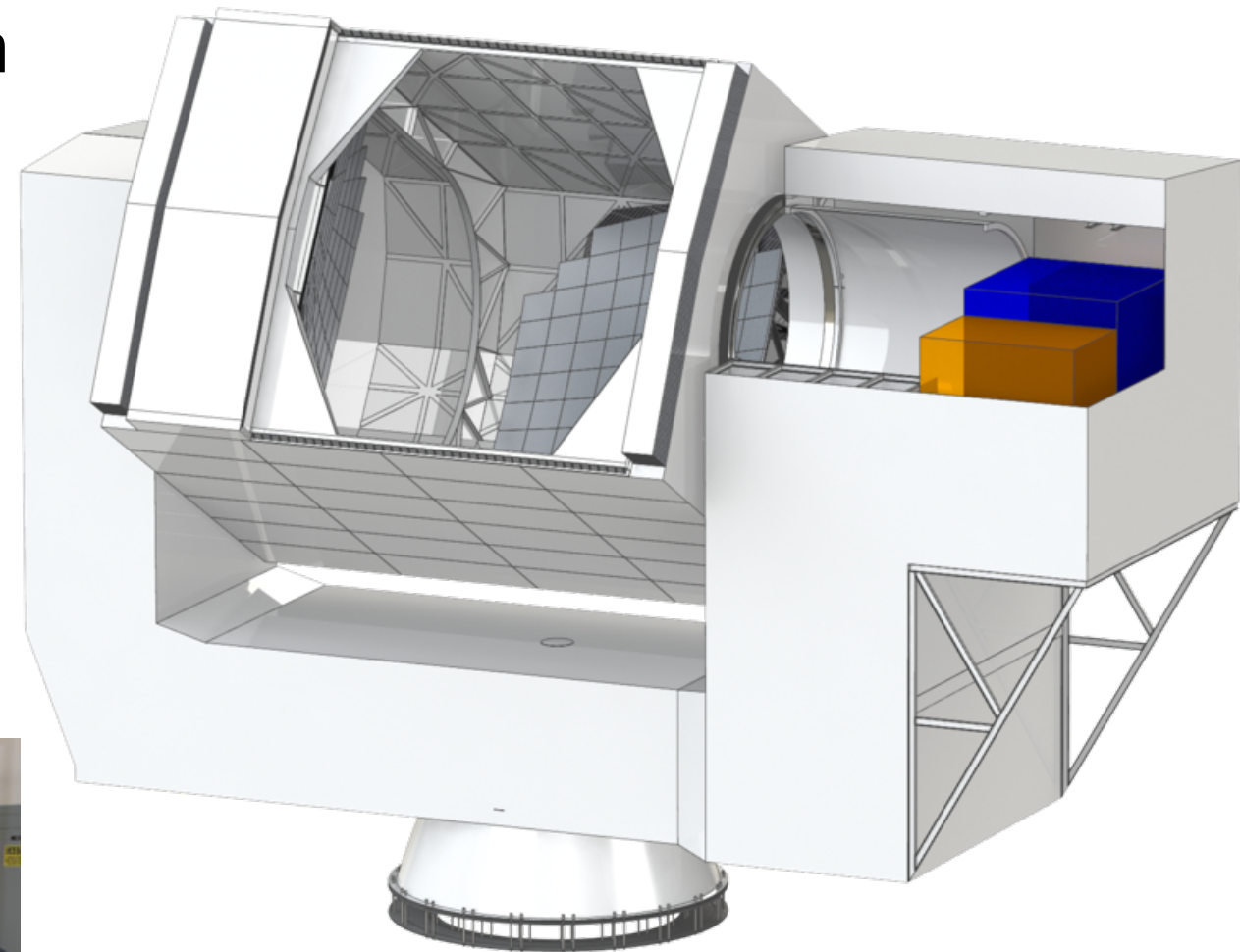
- 6m telescope similar to SO LAT but with lower coefficient of thermal expansion (CET) material for short wavelengths.

[Mike Niemack arXiv:1511.04506](#)

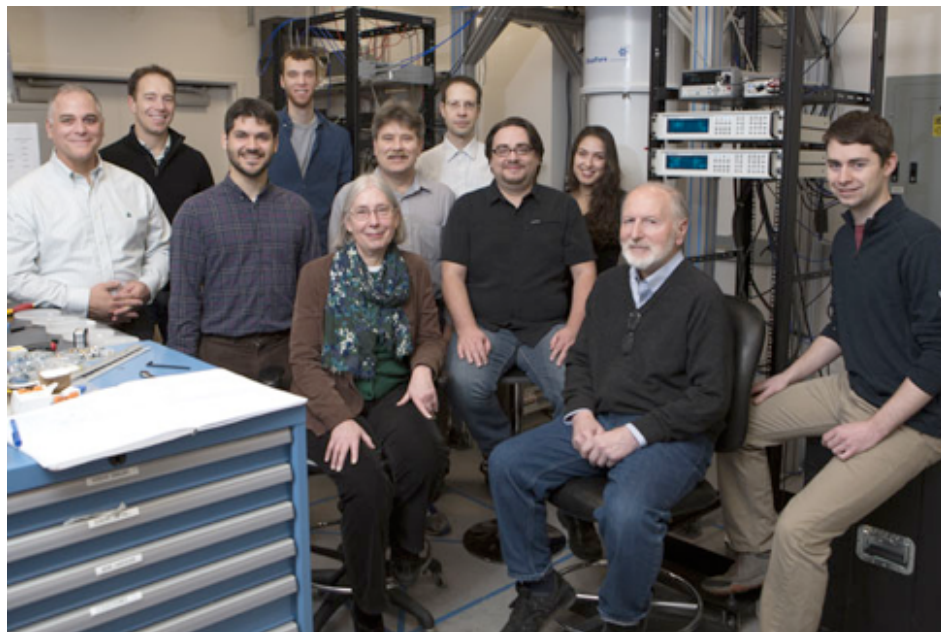
[Stacey et al arXiv:1807.04354](#)

[Vavagiakis et al arXiv:1807.00058](#)

- Higher elevation for sub-millimeter observations.
- First light in 2021



some of  
my colleagues



Telescope vendor: Vertex GmbH

- **CCAT-prime consortium: Cornell, U. Cologne, U. Bonn, Max Planck, Canadian University consortium, Chilean Universities, ++**

*Slide from CCAT collaboration, Michael Niemack*





# CMB-S4

Collaboration formed 2018

<https://cmb-s4.org/>

Primarily: SO (ACT + Polarbear) and South Pole Observatory (BICEP/Keck + SPT) plus CCAT-prime

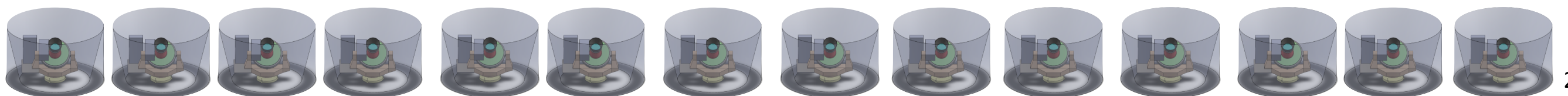
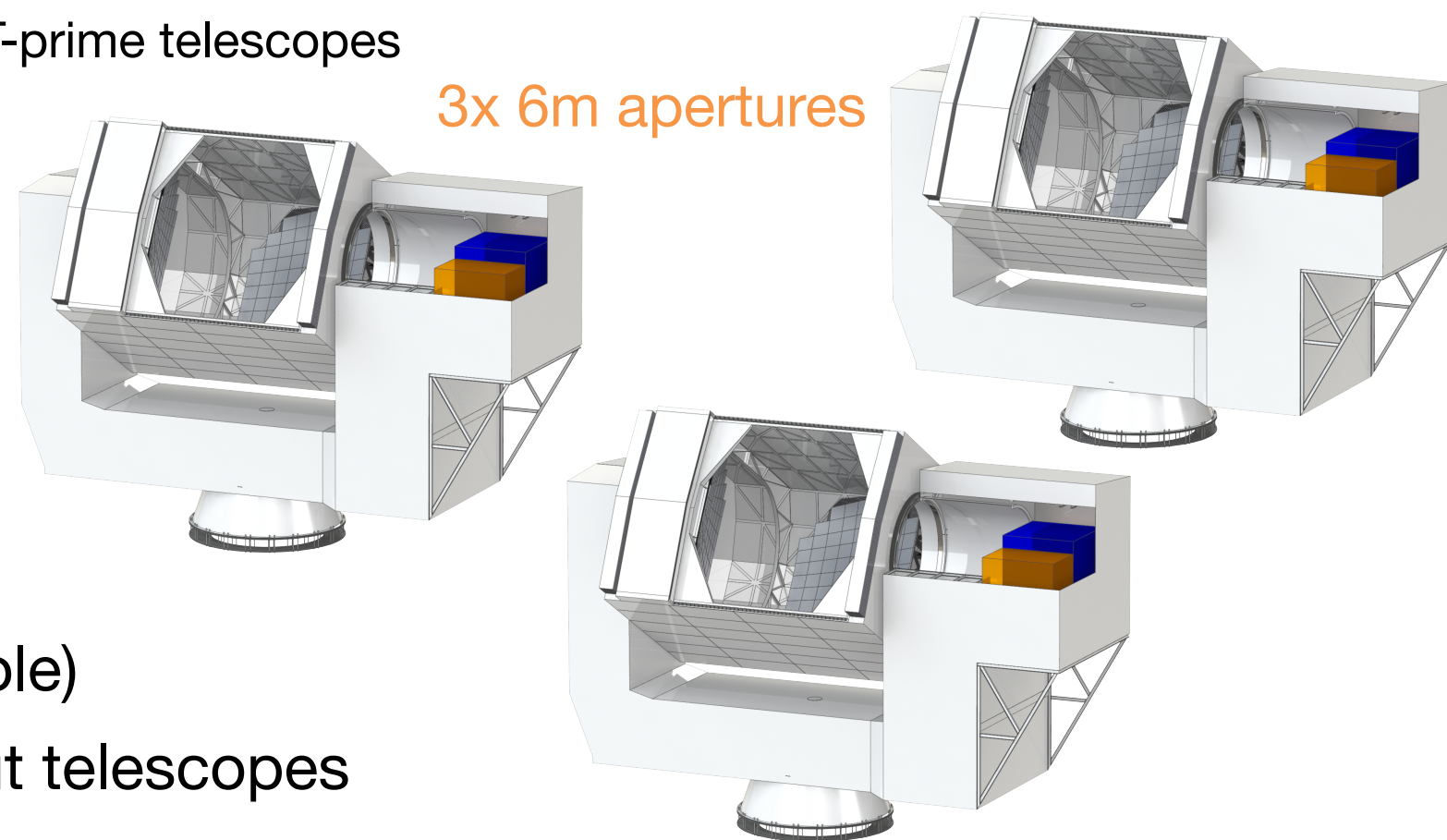
- Science: Inflationary Gravity Waves, Light Relics, Large Scale Structure

- CMB-S4 Reference Design

- Could use Simons Observatory & CCAT-prime telescopes

- Survey outline:

- ~40% sky survey for  $N_{\text{eff}}$
- ~10% sky survey for  $r$
- Roughly 400 000 detectors!
- Multiple sites (Chile & South Pole)
- Multiple high optical throughput telescopes





# Science Targets

$r$ ,  $N_{\text{eff}}$ ,  $m_\nu$ ,  $\sigma_8$ , reionization



★ **SO SAT first light 2020**

★ **SO LAT first light 2021**



★ **CCAT-prime first light 2021**

# Thanks!

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