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A science theme approved by ESA for L2 slot (2028!) and which motivates the Athena mission (November 2013)

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THE HOT AND ENERGETIC UNIVERSE

A White Paper presenting the science theme motivating the Athena+ mission

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by ESA's SPC, June 2014 N.B: For Ass.&Def. studies! (key results from CDF and LFA meeting end of October...stay tuned!)

Why does the observable universe look the way it does?



Key questions for observational astrophysics in 2028

1. How does ordinary matter assemble into the large scale structures we see today?



Pointecouteau, Reiprich et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2319

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Simulated Velocity map

Ettori, Pratt, et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2322



ATHENA The chemical evolution of hot baryons



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The Warm-Hot intergalactic medium (WHIM)

Where are the missing baryons in the local Universe? What is the underlying mechanism determining the distribution of the hot phase of the cosmic web?



Kaastra, Finoguenov et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2324

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ATHENA



Cosmic feedback and the origin of black hole winds

How do black holes launch winds and outflows? How much energy do they carry out to larger scales?



Cappi, Done et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2330 Dovciak, Matt et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2331

i) How do accretion disks around black holes launch winds/outflows, and how much energy do these carry?



Only X-rays probe the highest energy outflows, need X-IFU with high effective area to probe fast outflows on the wind launching regions (few tens ks)

ii) How are the energy and metals accelerated in winds/outflows transferred and deposited into larger galactic scales?





Wagner et al. 2013

ULIRG NGC6240 (merging AGN+SB)

Unique capability of X-IFU



ATHENA Cosmic feedback: the impact on galaxy cluster scales

How do jets from Active Galactic Nuclei dissipate their mechanical energy in the hot intracluster medium, and how does this regulate gas cooling and black hole fuelling?



ATHENA Cosmic feedback: black hole and galaxy co-evolution

How much black hole accretion occurs in the most obscured environments? How does this relate to the evolution of the host galaxy?



Black hole growth in the early Universe

What was the growth history of black holes in the epoch of reionization?





The first stars and black holes

When did the first generation of stars explode to form the first seed black holes and disseminate the first metals in the Universe?

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Gamma Ray Burst at z=7

Jonker, O'Brien et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2336

How do black holes grow and shape the Universe?



The Athena Observatory

Willingale et al, 2013 arXiv1308.6785



Barret et al., 2013 arXiv:1308.6784

Rau et al. 2013 arXiv1307.1709

The first Deep Universe X-ray Observatory

Athena+ has vastly improved capabilities compared to current or planned facilities, and will provide **transformational** science on virtually all areas of astrophysics



Technical Maturity



Core of the mission proposal is:

4.2 SUMMARY OF MAIN SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS

Performance parameter	Requirement	Level 2 Science Goal
Effective area at 1 keV*	2 m ²	SG1.1 Finding early groups; SG4.1 Census of warm-hot baryons;
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		energy of AGN outflows at $z=1-4$; SG6.4 Incidence of ultrafast
		outflows at $z>1$; SG8.1 AGN reverberation mapping
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PSF HEW	5" on axis	SG1.1 Finding early groups: SG1.3 Non-gravitational heating
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		ripples in clusters; SG3.4 Cumulative energy deposited by radio
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	A-IFU filter at	total optical blocking Factor 10 at SG4.1 Census of Warm-Hot baryons; SG7.1 AGN winds and tenuation 1200 Å outflows; SG7.2 Interaction of Winds with their environment
X-IFU spectral resolution	2.5 eV	SG1.2 Matter assembly in clusters; SG3.1 Jet energy dissipation on cluster scales; SG4.1 Census of warm-hot baryons; [SG3.3 X- ray cooling cores; SG4.2 Physical properties of the WHIM;
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WFI field of view	40' x 40'	SG1.1 Finding early groups; SG1.3 Non-gravitational heating ^{6.1}
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Athena: a powerful observatory

Planets

(interaction of solar wind with planet environment and comets)

Exoplanets

Stellar physics

Supernovae

(explosion mechanism, heavy element production)

Stellar endpoints

(physics of outflows and winds in X-ray binaries)

Sgr A*

Interstellar dust and medium



Branduardi-Raymont, Sciortino, et al., 2013 arXiv 1306.2332; Sciortino, Rauw et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2333; Motch, Wilms, et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2334; Decourchelle, Costantini et al., 2013 arXiv1306.2335

Athena science in context



Athena+ is a crucial part of the suite of large observatories needed to reach the science objectives of astronomy in the coming decades

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More information, white paper, mission proposal, 15 supporting papers, 10 technical supplements, etc. at: http://the-athena-x-ray-observatory.eu/

THE END....NO, THE BEGINNING!

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