



# THE SVOM MISSION



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## THE SVOM CONSORTIUM

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- Beijing Normal University
- Central China University Wuhan
- Guangxi University Nanning
- IHEP Beijing
- KIAA Peking University
- Nanjing University
- NAOC Beijing
- National Astronomical Observatories
- Purple Mountain Observatory Nanjing
- Shanghai Astronomical Observatory
- Tsinghua University Beijing

- **Mexico** UNAM Mexico



- **France (PI B. Cordier)**



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- CEA Saclay
- CPPM Marseille
- GEPI Meudon
- IAP Paris
- IRAP Toulouse
- LAL Orsay
- LAM Marseille
- LUPM Montpellier
- OAS Strasbourg

Taking into account  
the feedback from  
**Neil Gehrels Swift obs.  
& Fermi**  
for space observations  
**TAROT**  
for ground observations

- **UK** University of Leicester



- **Germany**

- MPE Garching
- IAAT Tübingen



# SVOM “Space-based multi-band astronomical Variable Objects Monitor”

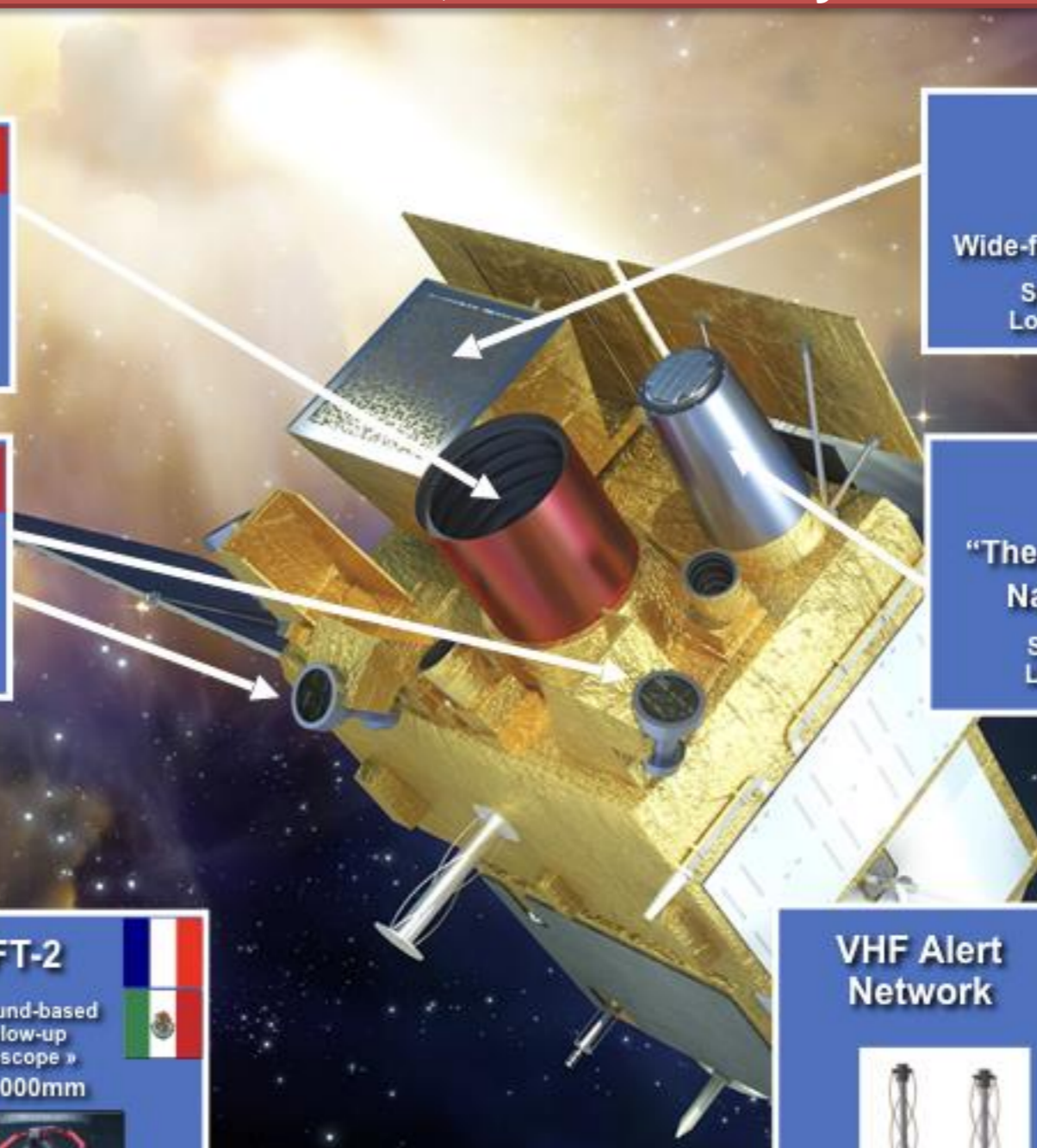
a Sino-French mission dedicated to GRBs and transient sources  
to be launched end 2021, duration 3+2 years

**VT**   
“The Visible Telescope”  
Narrow-field visible telescope  
Ritchey Chretien  $\Phi=400\text{mm}$   
Localization accuracy  $< 1\text{arcsec}$

**GRM**   
“The Gamma-Ray burst Monitor”  
X-rays and Gamma-rays detectors  
30 keV – 5 MeV  
Localization accuracy  $< 5^\circ$

**ECLAIRs**   
« The trigger camera »  
Wide-field X and Gamma rays telescope  
Spectral range : 4 keV – 150 keV  
Localization accuracy  $< 12\text{arcmin}$

**MXT**   
“The Micro-pore X-ray Telescope”  
Narrow-field X-ray telescope  
Spectral range : 0.2 keV – 10 keV  
Localization accuracy  $< 1\text{arcmin}$



**GFT-1**   
« Ground-based Follow-up Telescope »  
 $\Phi>1000\text{mm}$   


**GWAC**   
« Ground Wide-Angle Cameras »  
 $\Phi=180\text{mm}$   

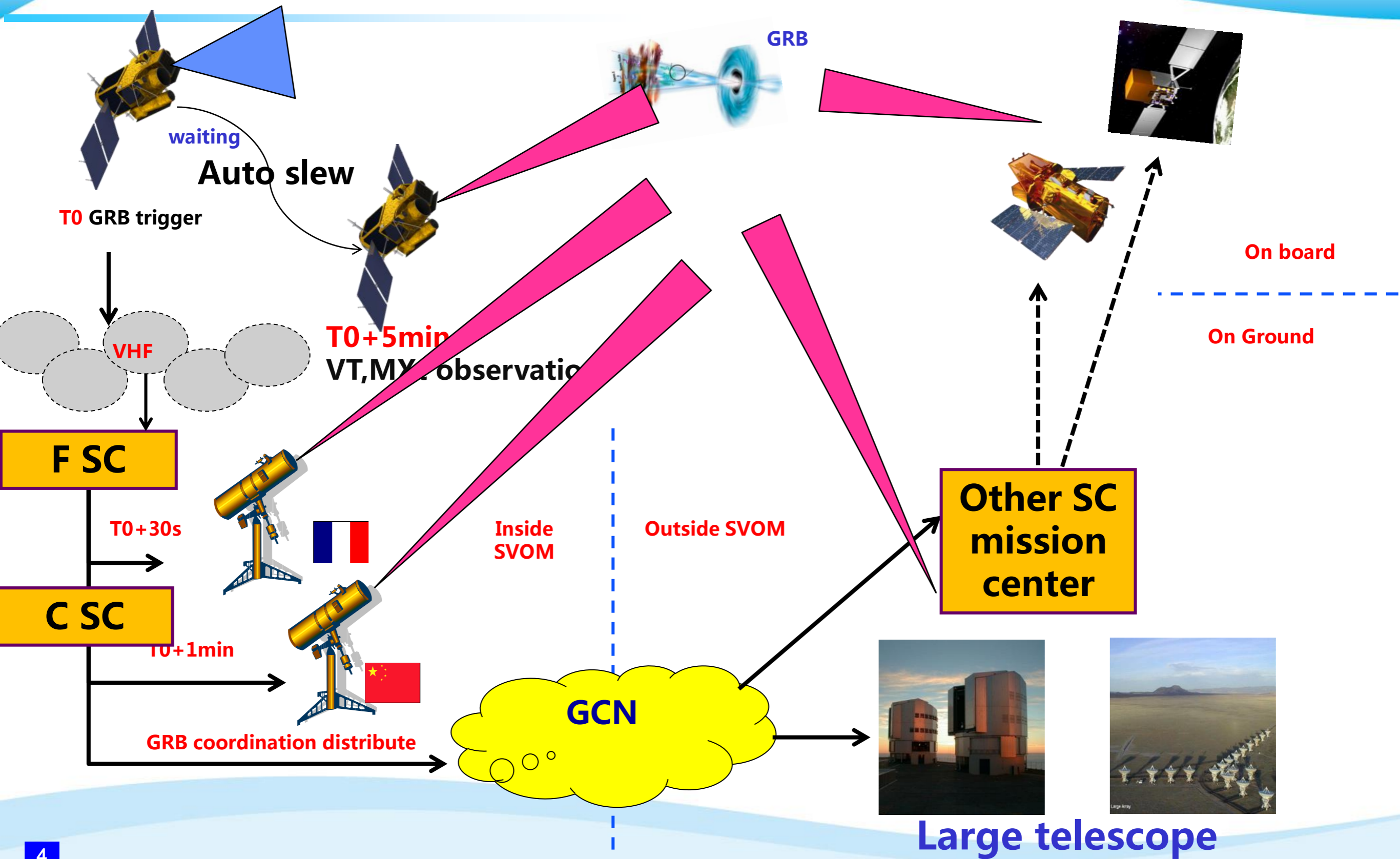

**GFT-2**   
« Ground-based Follow-up Telescope »  
 $\Phi>1000\text{mm}$   


**VHF Alert Network**   
  
... and more!

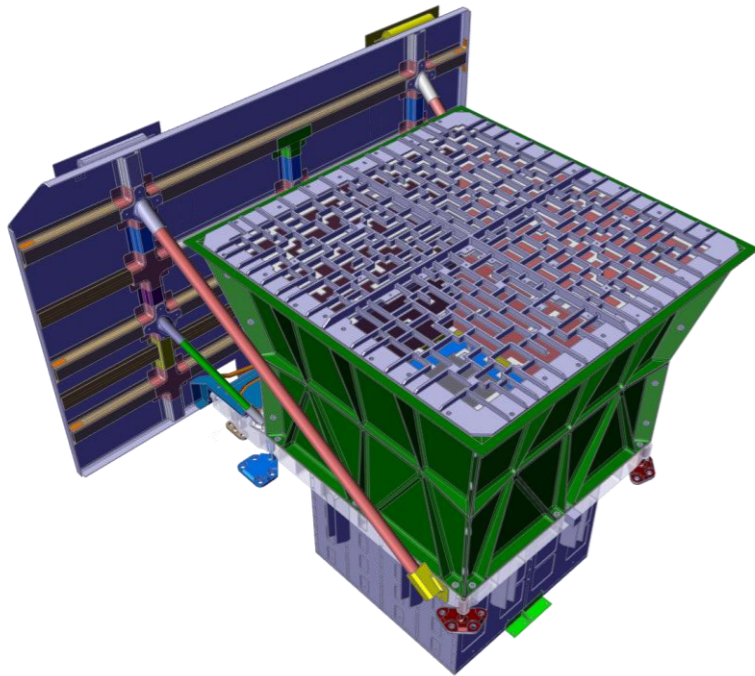
**Tracking antennas**   




# GRB Observation scenario



# INSTRUMENTS (with LARGE FIELD OF VIEW)

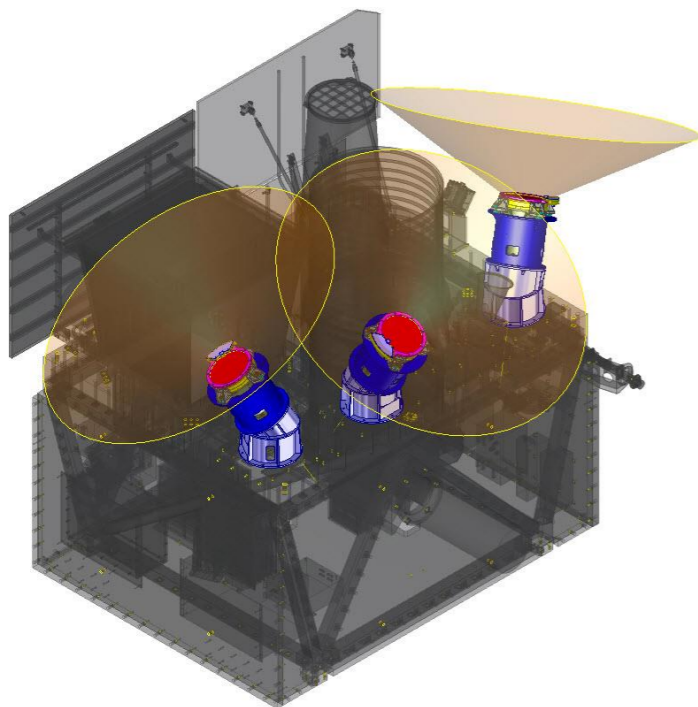


## ECLAIRs (CNES, IRAP, CEA, APC)

- 40% open fraction
- Detection plane: **1024 cm<sup>2</sup>**
- 6400 CdTe pixels (4x4x1 mm<sup>3</sup>)
- FoV: **2 sr** (zero sensitivity)
- Energy range: **4 - 150 keV**
- Localization accuracy **<12 arcmin** for 90% of sources at detection limit
- Onboard trigger and localization: **~65 GRBs/year**

Well adapted for the detection of IGRB with low  $E_{PEAK}$

-> See Nicolas Dagoneau talk



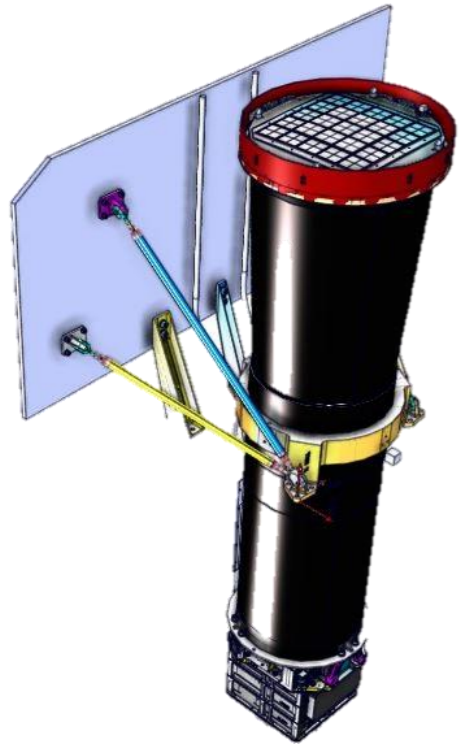
## GRM Gamma-Ray Monitor (IHEP)

- **3 Gamma-Ray Detectors (GRDs)**
- NaI(Tl) (16 cm Ø, 1.5 cm thick)
- Plastic scintillator (6 mm) to monitor particle flux and reject particle events
- FOV: **5,6 sr** 3 GRDs, **1,0** intersection of 3 GRDs
- Energy range : **30-5000 keV**
- $A_{eff} = 190 \text{ cm}^2$  at peak
- Rough localization accuracy
- Expected rate: **~90 GRBs / year**

Will provide  $E_{PEAK}$  measurements for most ECLAIRs GRBs

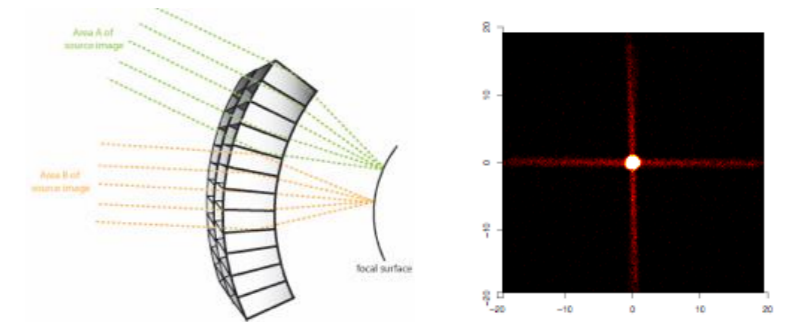
Will detect short GRBs in & out of the ECLAIRs FOV

# INSTRUMENTS (with NARROW FIELD OF VIEW)



## MXT Micro-channel X-ray Telescope (CNES, CEA, UL, MPE)

- **Micro-pores optics** (Photonis) with **40  $\mu\text{m}$  square pores** in a “Lobster Eye” conf. (UL design)
- pnCCD (MPE) based camera (CEA)
- FoV : **64x64 arcmin<sup>2</sup>**
- Focal length: 1 m
- Energy range : 0.2 – 10 keV
- $A_{\text{eff}} = \mathbf{27 \text{ cm}^2 @ 1 \text{ keV}}$  (central spot)
- Energy resolution:  $\sim 80 \text{ eV @ } 1.5 \text{ keV}$
- Localization accuracy **<13 arcsec** within 5 min from trigger for 50% of GRBs (statistical error only)

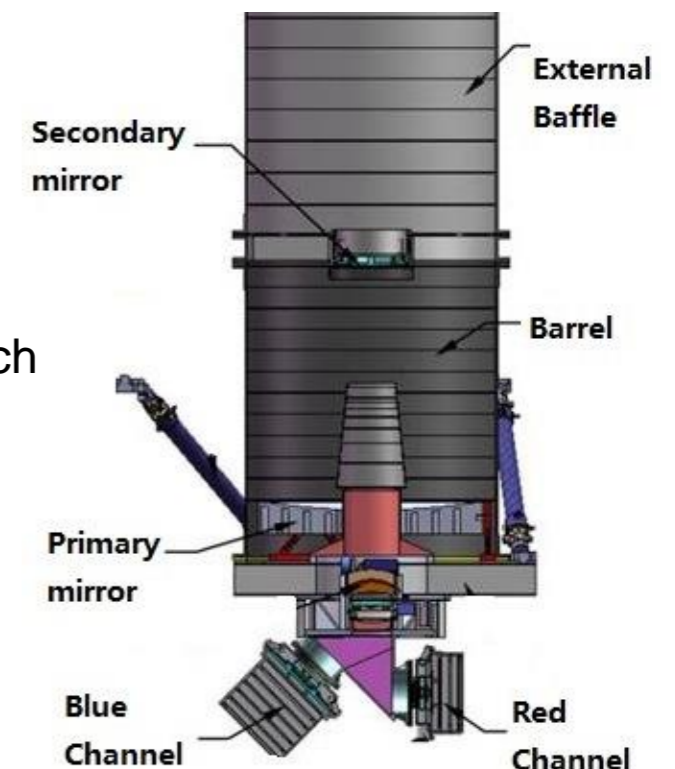


Implements innovative focussing X-ray optics based on « Lobster-Eye » design  
 Will reduce the ECLAIRs error box  
 Will be able to promptly observe the X-ray afterglow

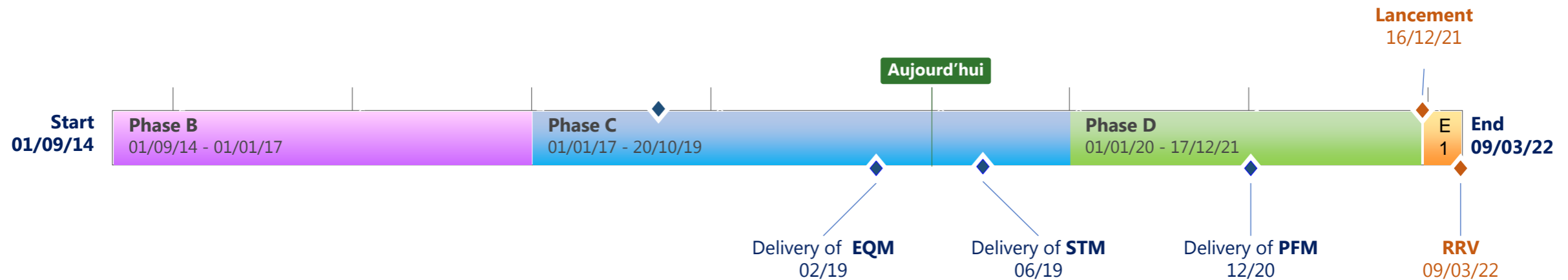
## VT Visible Telescope (XIOMP, NAOC)

- Ritchey-Chretien telescope, 40 cm  $\varnothing$ ,  $f=9$
- FoV: **26x26 arcmin<sup>2</sup>**, covering ECLAIRs error box in most cases
- **2 channels: blue (400-650 nm) and red (650-1000 nm)**, 2k \* 2k CCD detector each
- **Sensitivity  $MV=23$  in 300 s**
- Will detect  $\sim 80\%$  of ECLAIRs GRBs
- Localization accuracy **<1 arcsec**

Able to detect high-redshift GRBs up to  $z \sim 6.5$  (sensitivity cutoff around 950 nm)  
 Can quickly provide redshift indicators due to the presence of two channels



# SVOM PAYLOAD : DEVELOPMENT LOGIC



## Proto Flight Model-oriented development logic

### Engineering and Qualification Model (electronic units): Delivered

- Objective: Mechanical, thermal and EMC qualification
- Participation in Flat Sat (Electrical + Functional) and QM Sat (Functional + Environmental Qualification) tests

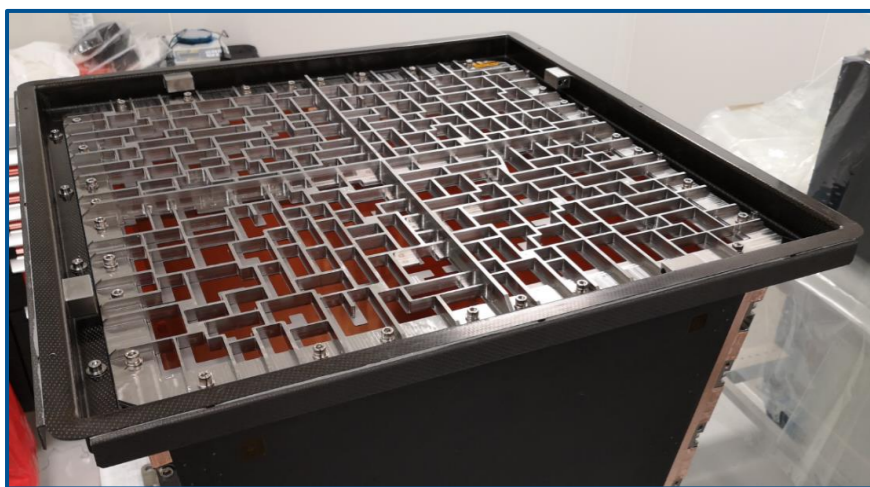
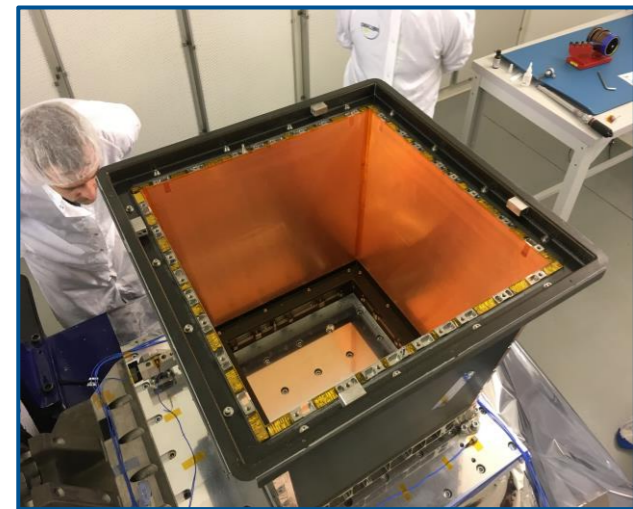
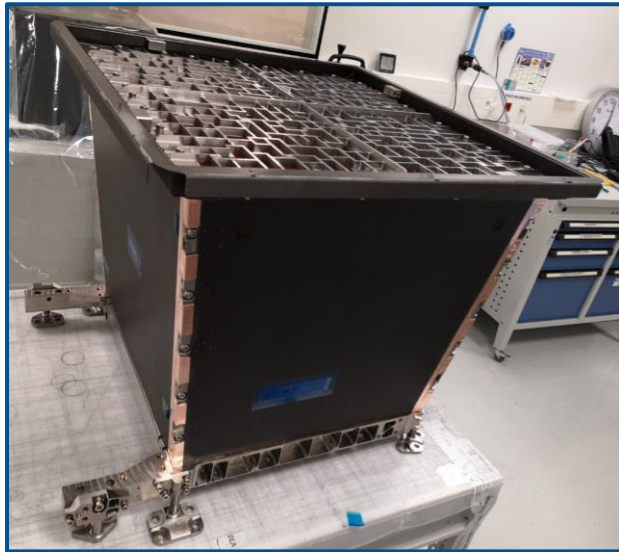
### Structural and Thermal Model : Integration in progress, Delivery summer 2019

- Objective: Mechanical and thermal qualification of instrument level
- Validation of the integration sequence, Validation of the levels seen at the interfaces and in some critical points
- Participation in Environmental Qualification tests of the satellite

### Proto Flight Model : Delivery at the end of 2020

- Performance characterization
- Integration of the Proto Flight Model of the satellite

## STM



### 1. ECLAIRs STM

- Shielding ready
- Mask already qualified !
- Thermal bus and DPIX ready
- Integration at CNES

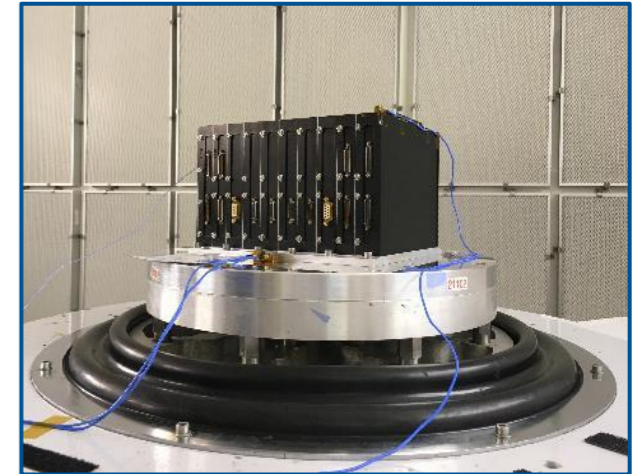
### 2. ECLAIRs EQM

- Qualification tests (vibration, electrical) performed
- Hardware / Software integration at CNES
- Integration to the flat satellite model at SECM

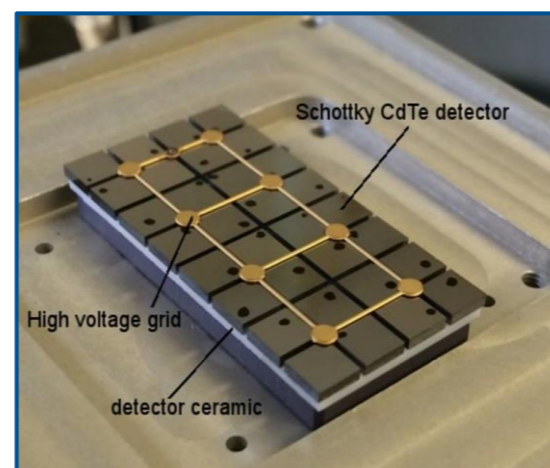
### 3. ECLAIRs PFM fabrication

- All parts are procured (EEE components, detectors, MLI, connectors, ...)
- Waiting for sub-system qualification tests before going ahead in PFM fabrication

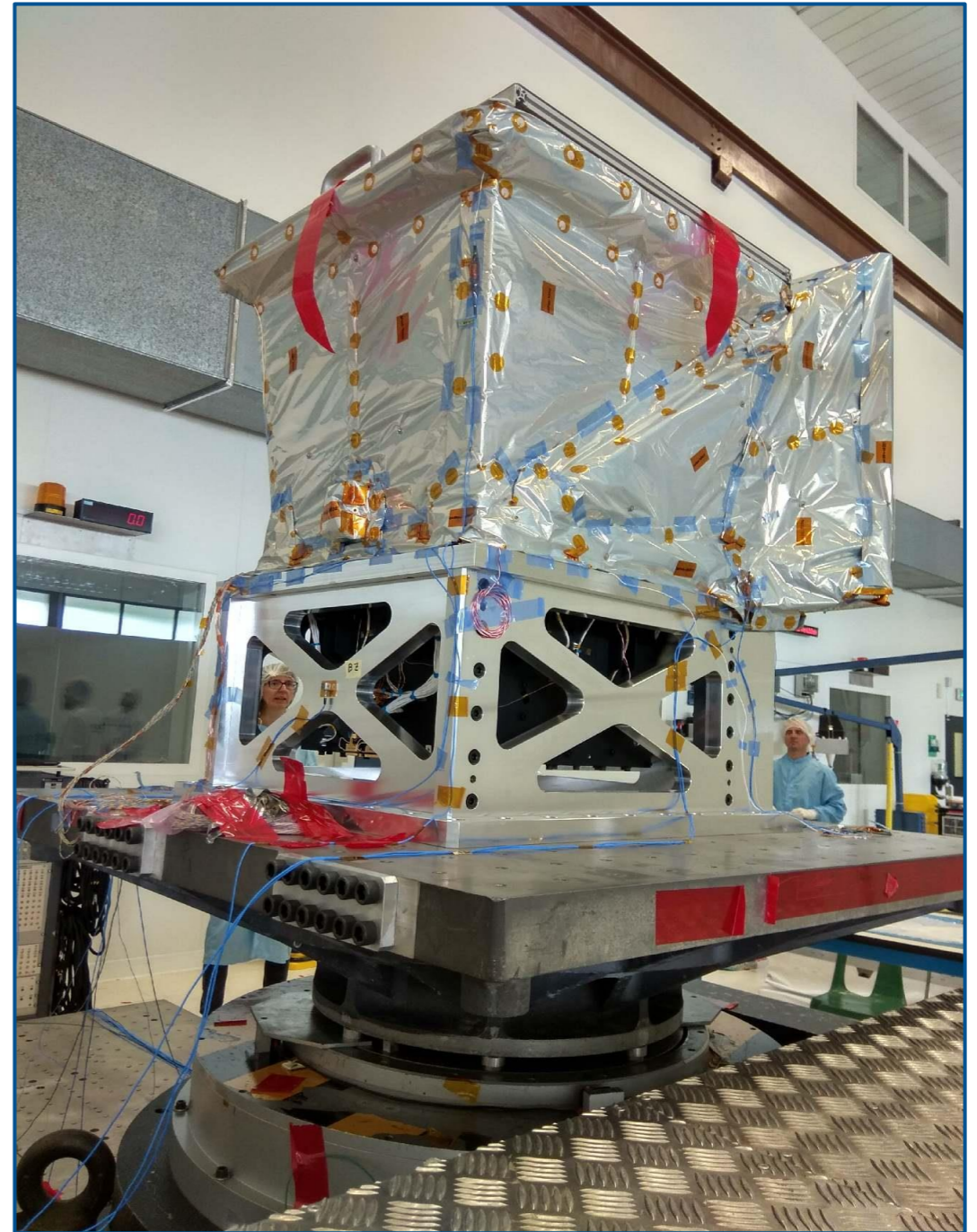
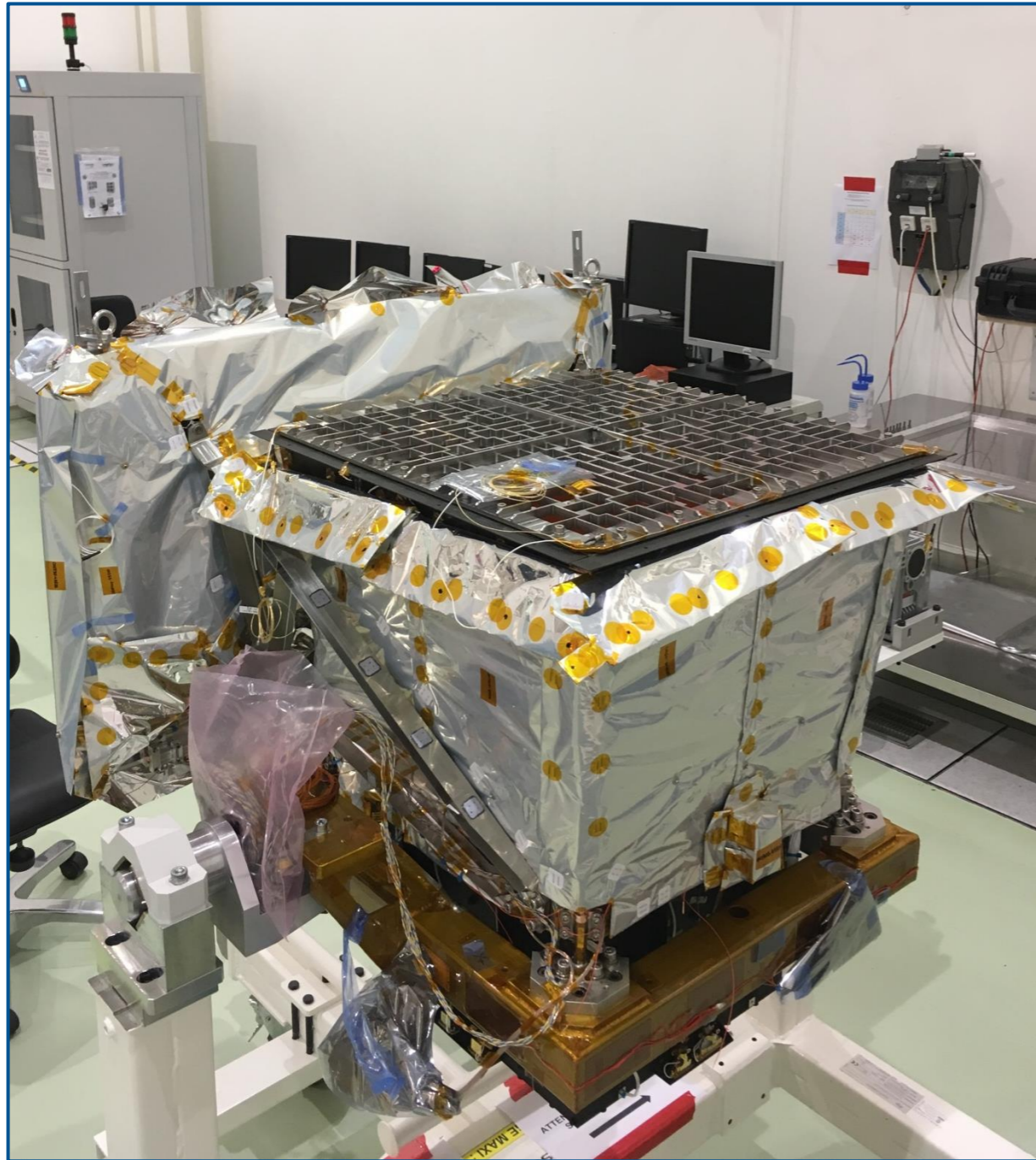
## EQM



## PFM



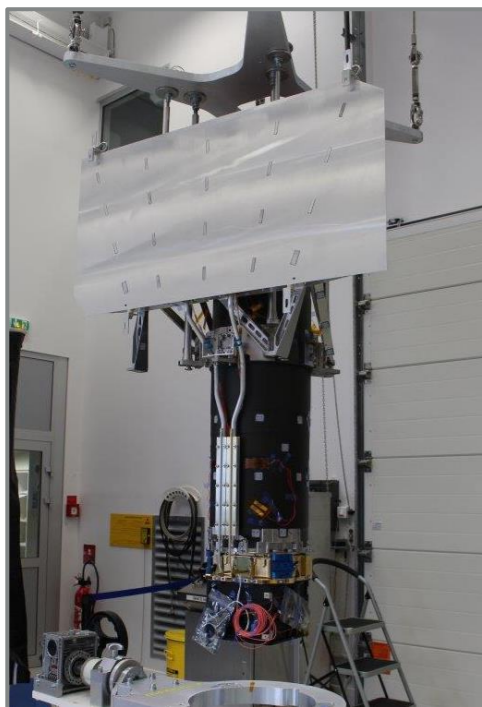
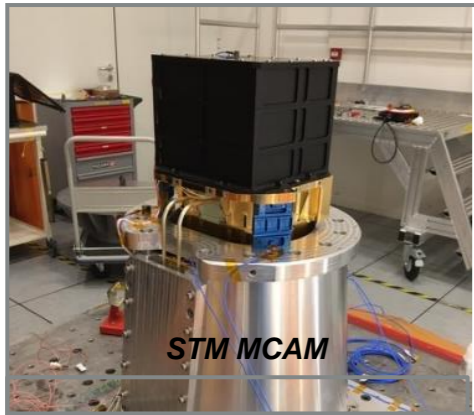




**ECLAIRs Structural and Thermal model ready for vibration tests**

**For a detailed description of ECLAIRs see the poster: ECLAIRs: the hard X-ray imager and trigger of SVOM**

## STM



### 1. MXT Structural Thermal Model

- Camera ready
- Tube ready
- Optics dummy ready
- Thermal bus ready
- Integration at CNES

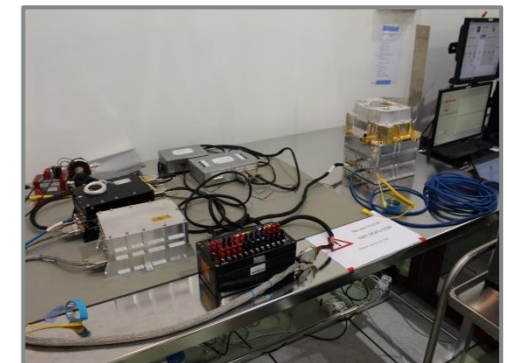
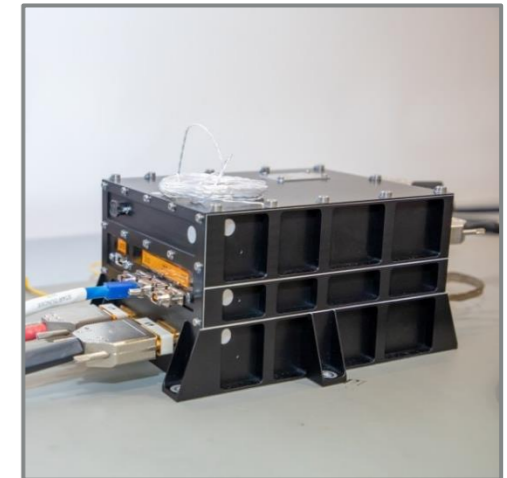
### 2. MXT EQM

- Qualification tests (vibration, electrical) at sub-contractor level
- Hardware / Software integration at CNES
- Integration to the flat satellite model at SECM

### 3. MXT Proto Flight Model fabrication

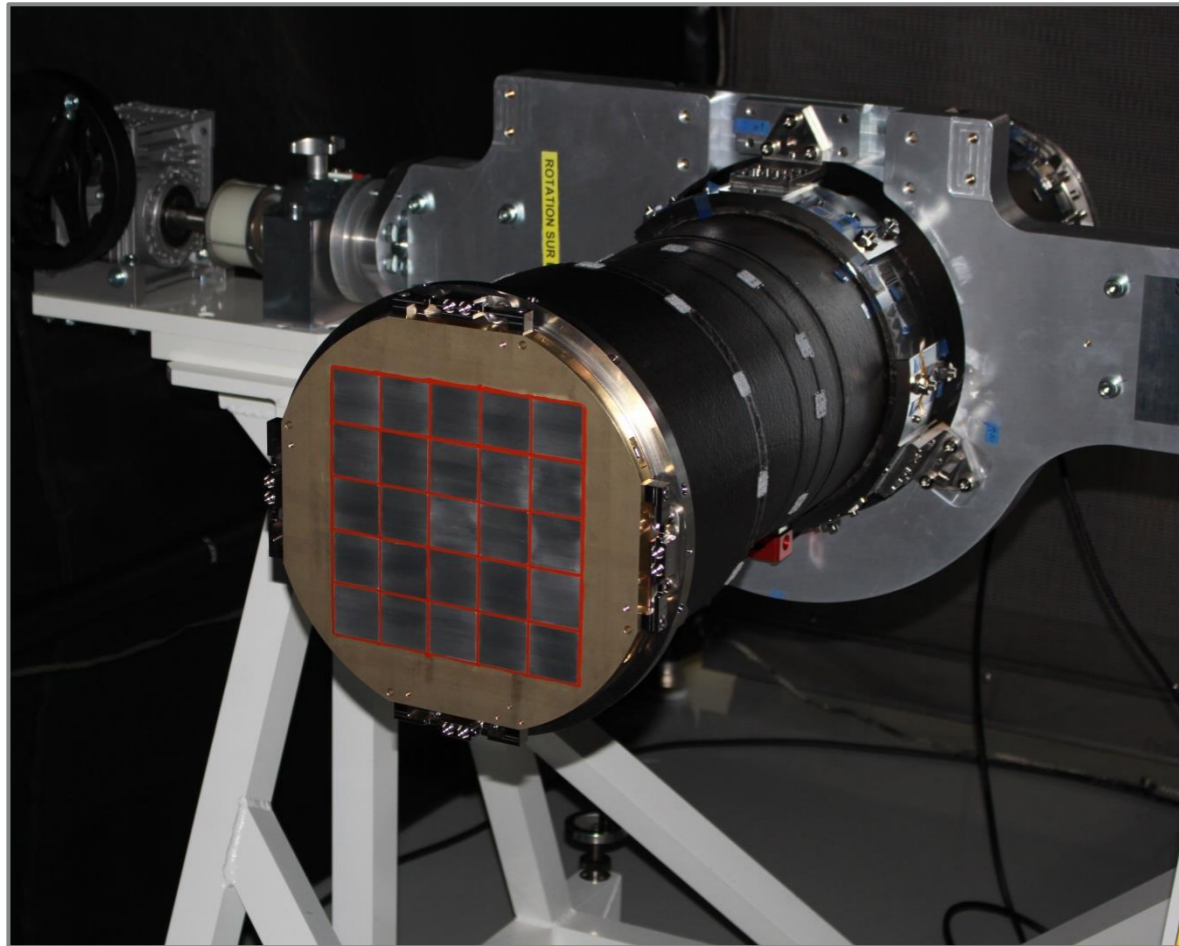
- All parts are procured (MPO Plates, EEE components, detectors, MLI, connectors, ...)
- Waiting for sub-system qualification tests before going ahead in PFM fabrication

## EQM



## PFM





**MXT Structural and Thermal model ready for vibration tests**

**For a detailed description of MXT see the poster:** The MXT X-ray telescope on board the SVOM mission

## STM



### 1. VT STM fabrication

- Telescope ready
- Thermal bus ready
- Integration at SECM

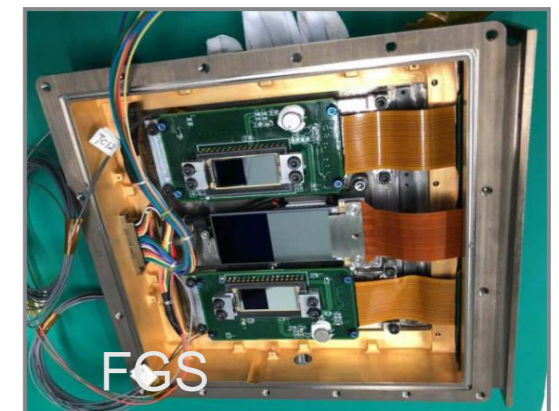
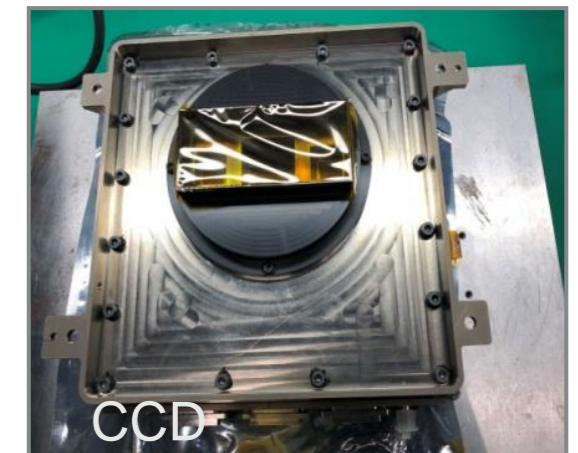
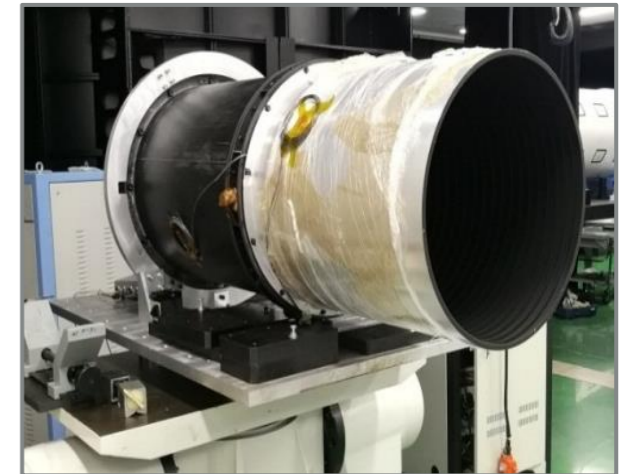
### 2. VT QM fabrication

- Hardware / Software integration at XIOPM
- Qualification tests (vibration, shock) performed
- Thermal cycle on going
- Calibration campaign at NAOC

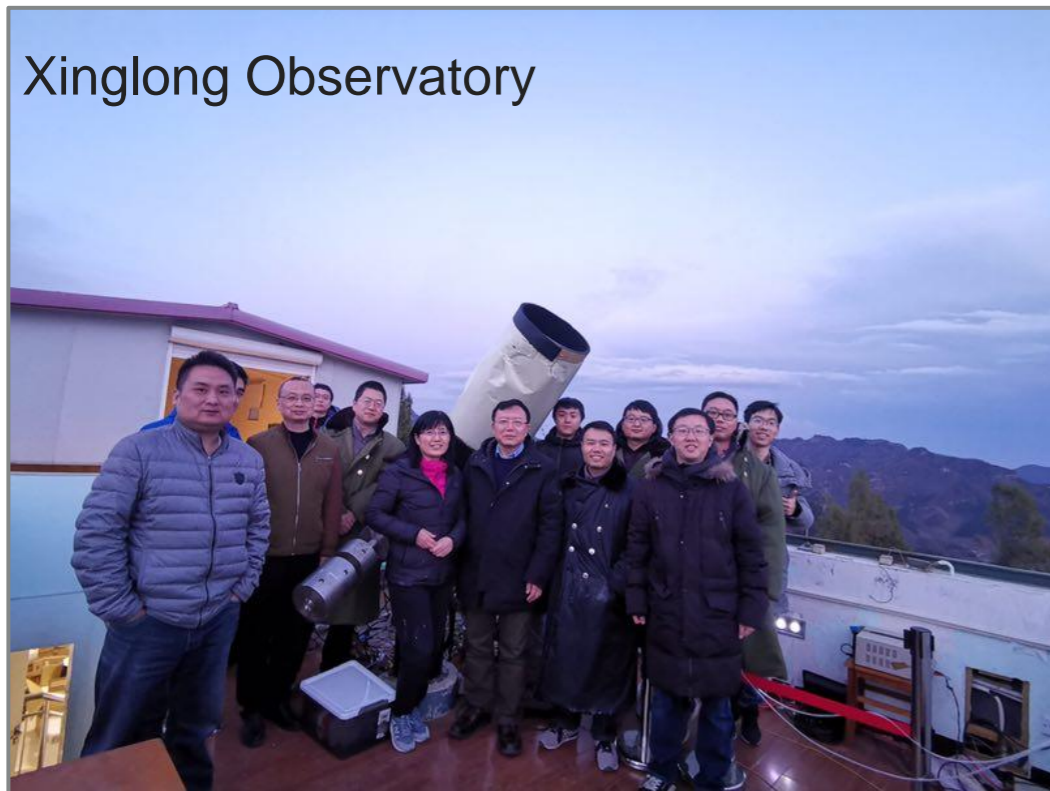
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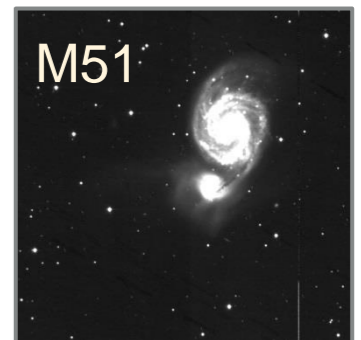
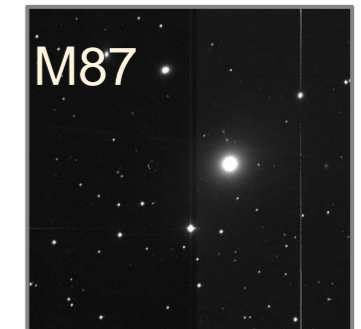
## QM



## QM performance campaign

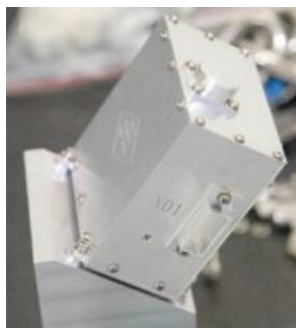
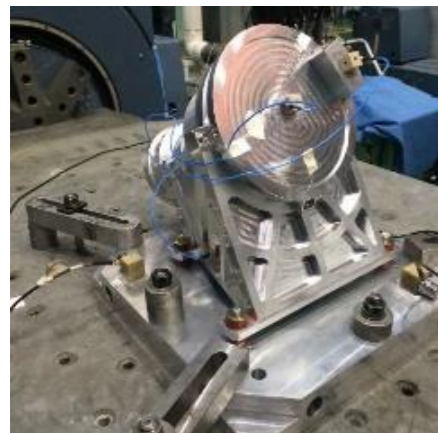


Blue Channel



QM of VT achieves the required sensitivity

## STM



### 1. GRM STM fabrication

- Developed
- Integration at IHEP
- Delivered

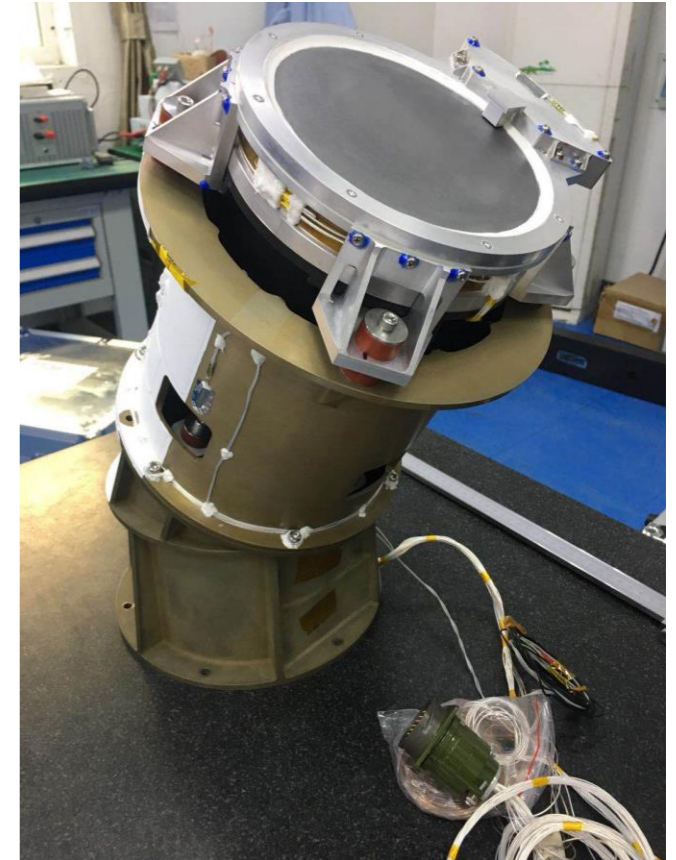
### 2. GRM QM fabrication

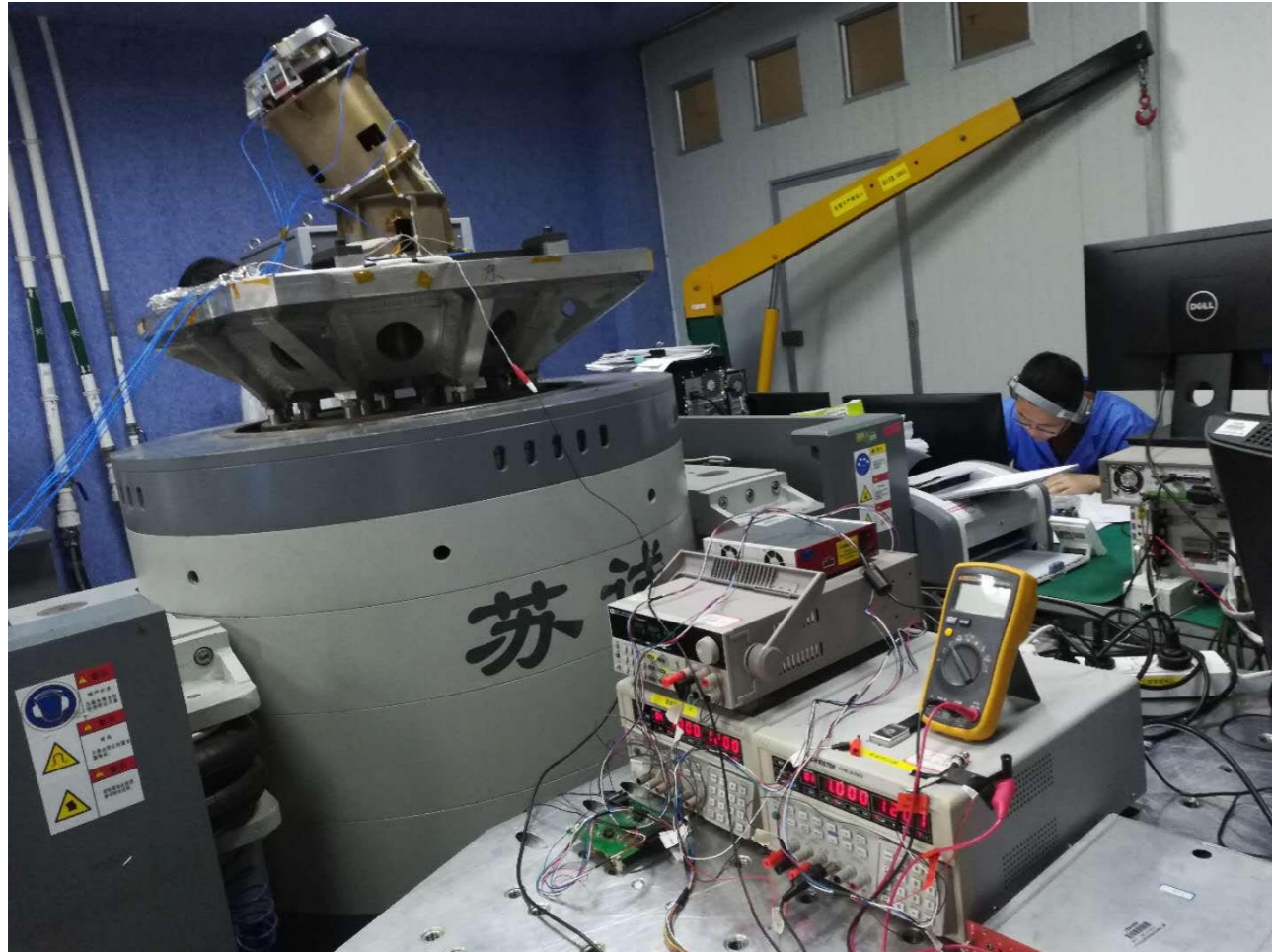
- Hardware / Software integration at IHEP
- Vibration and shock tests performed
- Calibration campaign at IHEP

### 3. GRM Flight Model fabrication

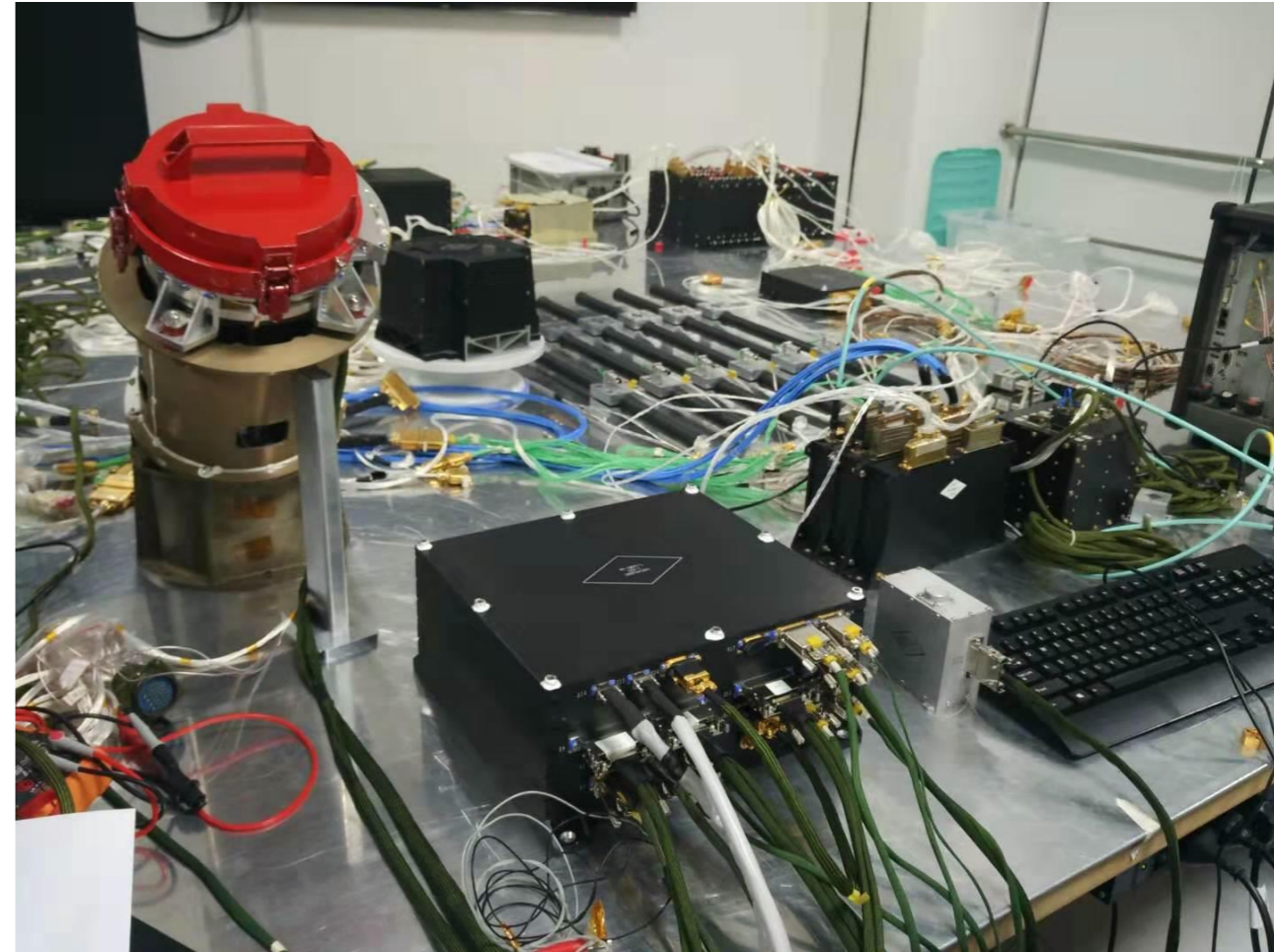
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- Waiting for sub-system qualification tests before going ahead in PFM fabrication

## QM

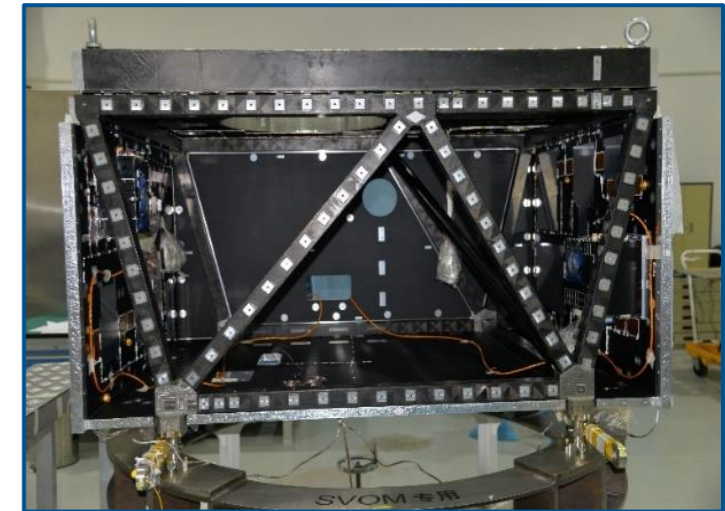
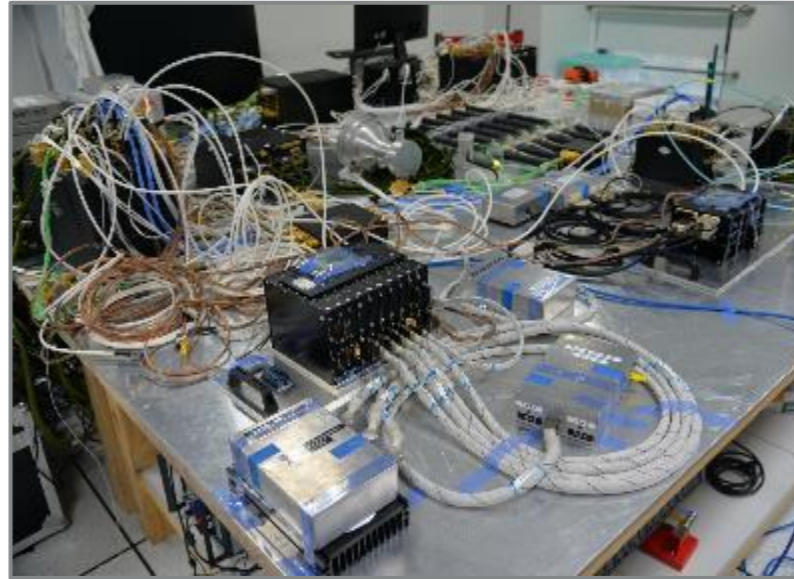




QM mechanical tests



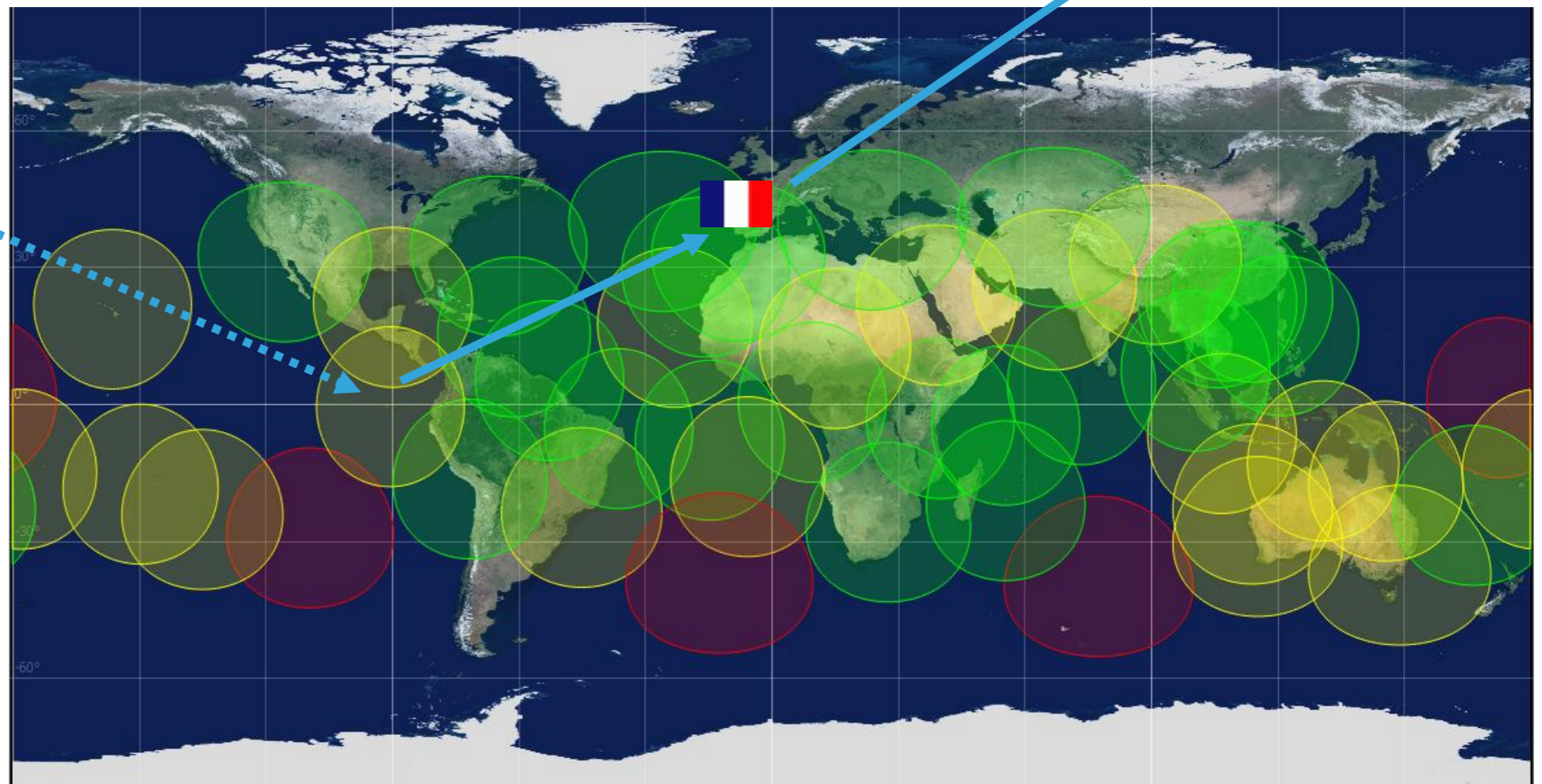
QM electrical tests



EQM's tested in SECM premises  
from February 18<sup>th</sup> to March 13<sup>th</sup> 2019



# SVOM ALERT SYSTEM



Alerts are transmitted to a network of ~40 VHF receivers on Earth

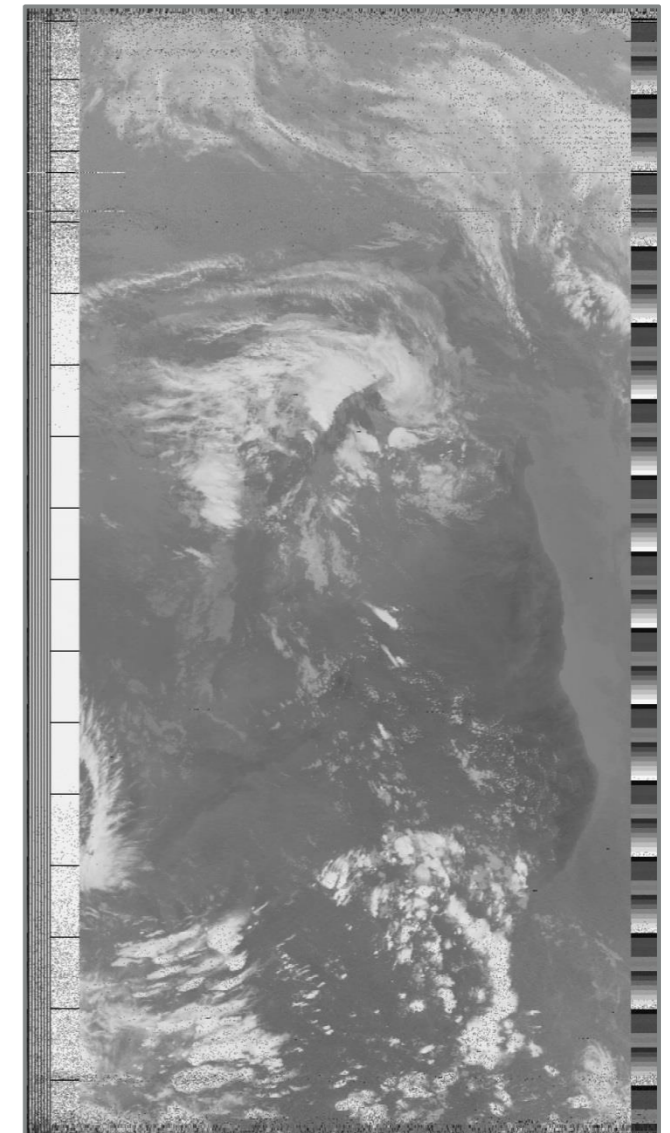
Goal: 65% of the alerts received within 30 s at the French Science Center



First Tests of the VHF Ground Station Prototype



First installation in South Africa



First reception on the NOAA-19 satellites

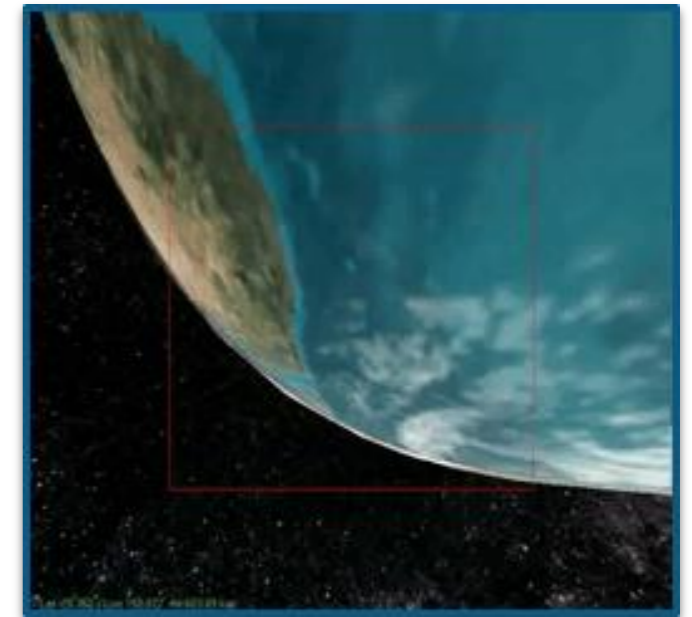
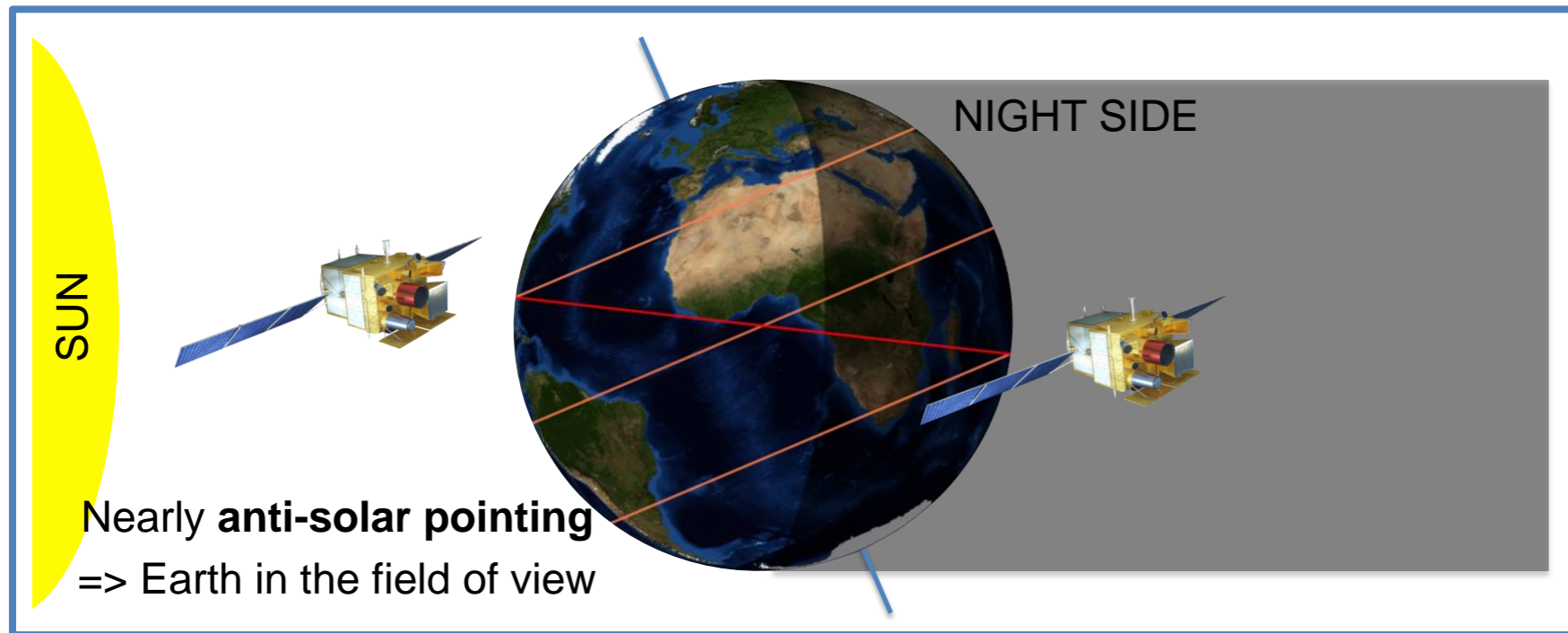
# KOUROU, FRENCH GUYANA



Next station will be installed at GuanXI University on Spetember 19

# ORBIT AND POINTING STRATEGY

*Optimizing the ground follow-up of GRB candidates (should increase the success of the ground redshift measurement)*



65% of duty cycle for ECLAIRs  
about 50% for MXT and VT

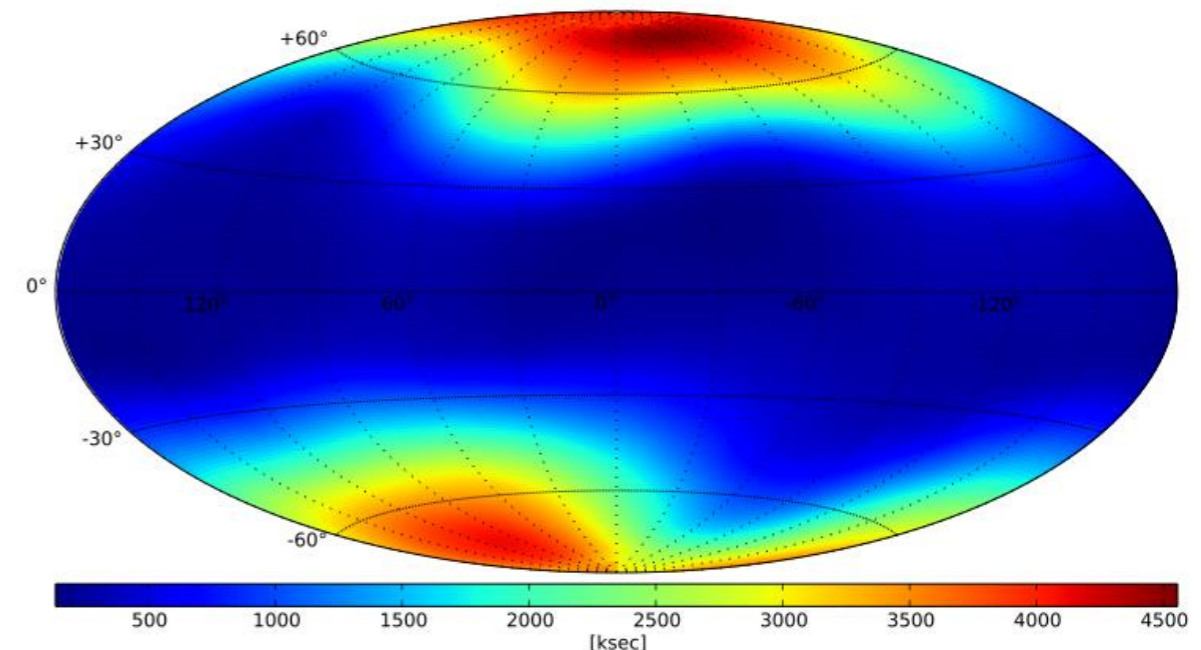
*Waiting between the detection of two GRB candidates...*

**Avoidance of the galactic plane** (most of the time)  
and also intense sources such as **Sco X-1**

## ECLAIRs exposure map

(65 GRBs/year, 1 ToO per day)

- 4 Ms in the direction of the galactic poles
- 500 ks on the galactic plane



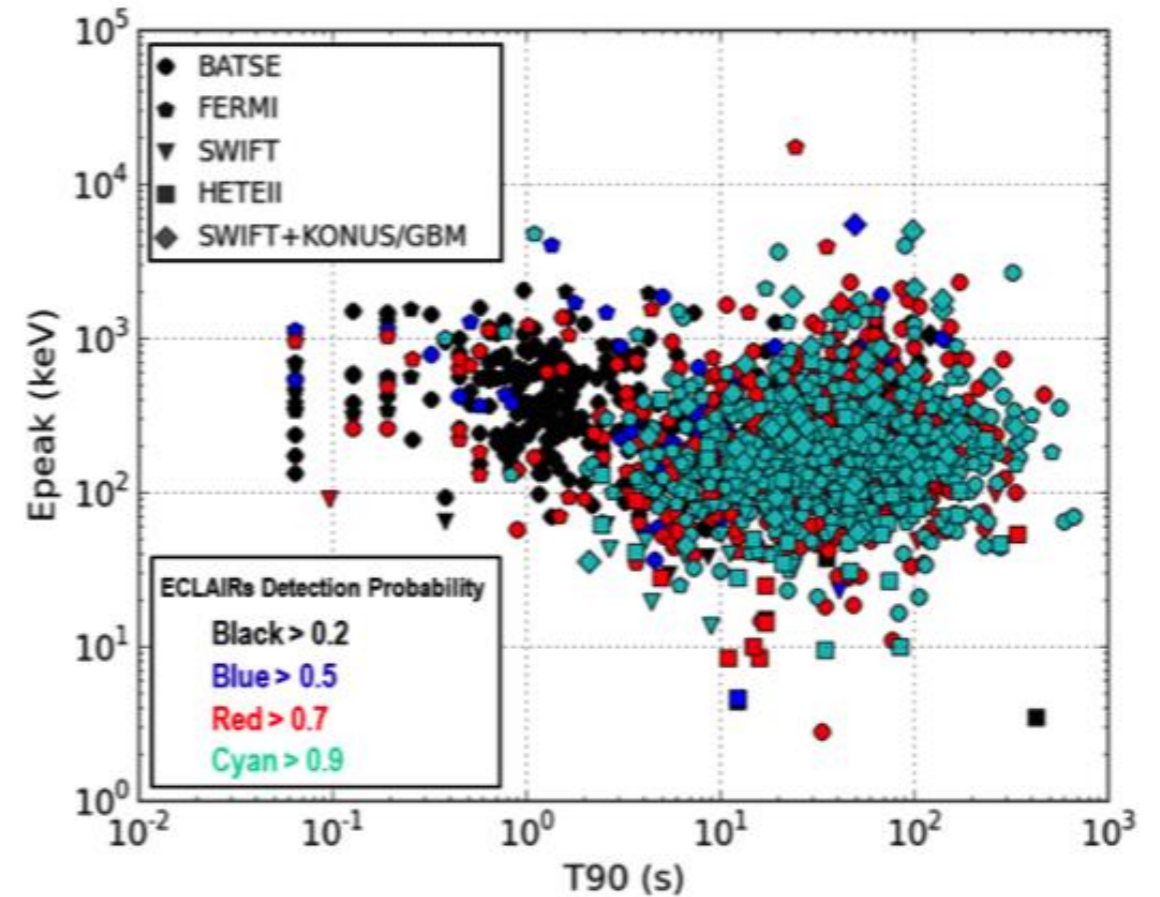
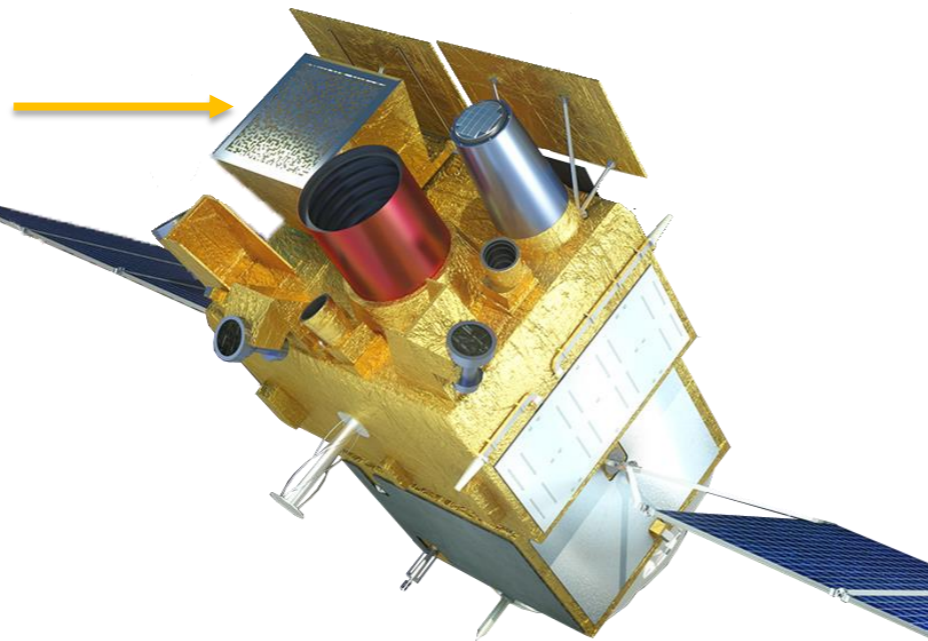


# Core Program : a complete GRB sample

GRB trigger

**ECLAIRs**

42-80 GRBs/yr

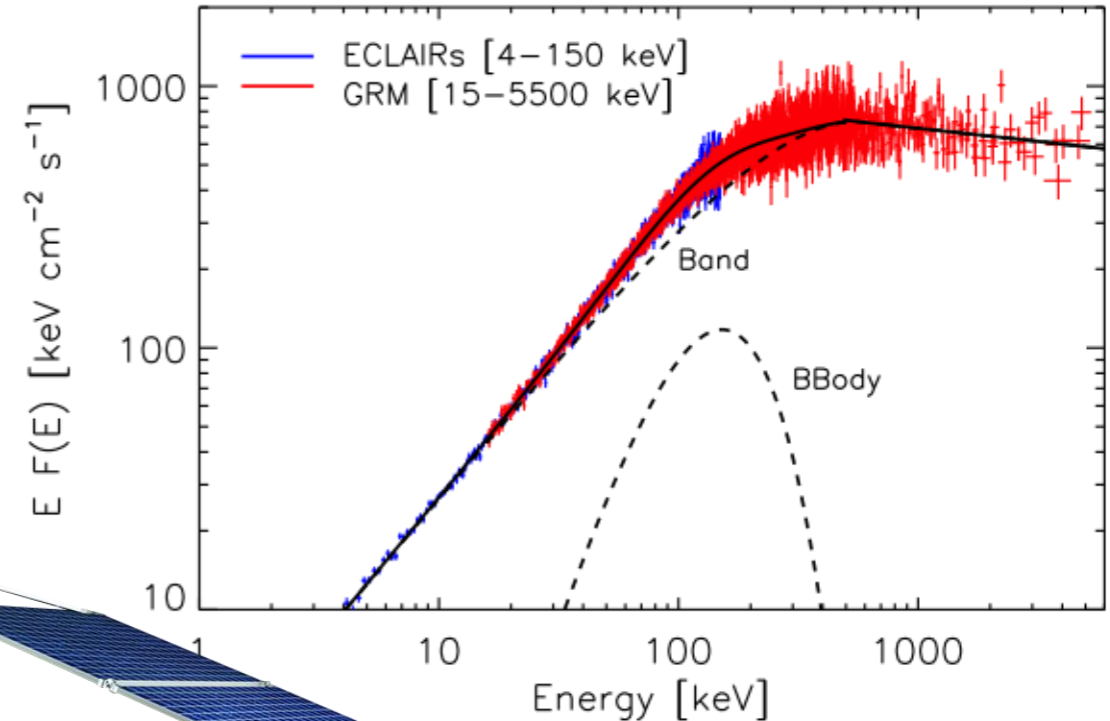
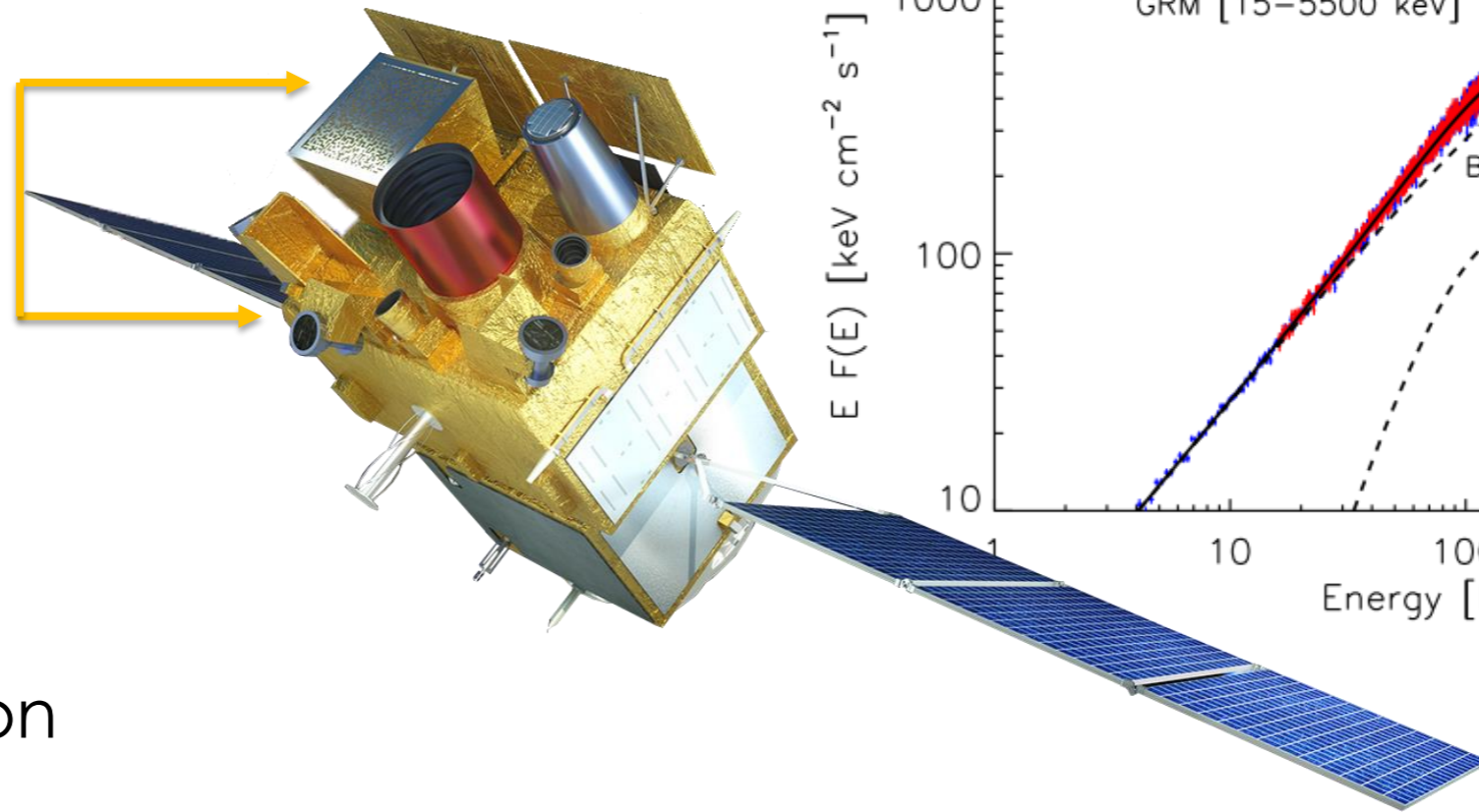


*SVOM is sensitive to all classes of GRB (long/short/soft/...)*

## Prompt emission

### ECLAIRs+GRM

Prompt GRB emission  
over 3 decades  
(4 keV-5.5 MeV)



### GWAC

prompt visible emission  
in ~16% of cases



*The multi-component spectrum of the Fermi/GBM burst GRB 100724B simulated in ECLAIRs+GRM.*



# Core Program : a complete GRB sample

## Afterglow & distance

slew request: 36-72 GRB/yr

### MXT

X-ray afterglow  
(>90% of GRBs after a slew)

### VT

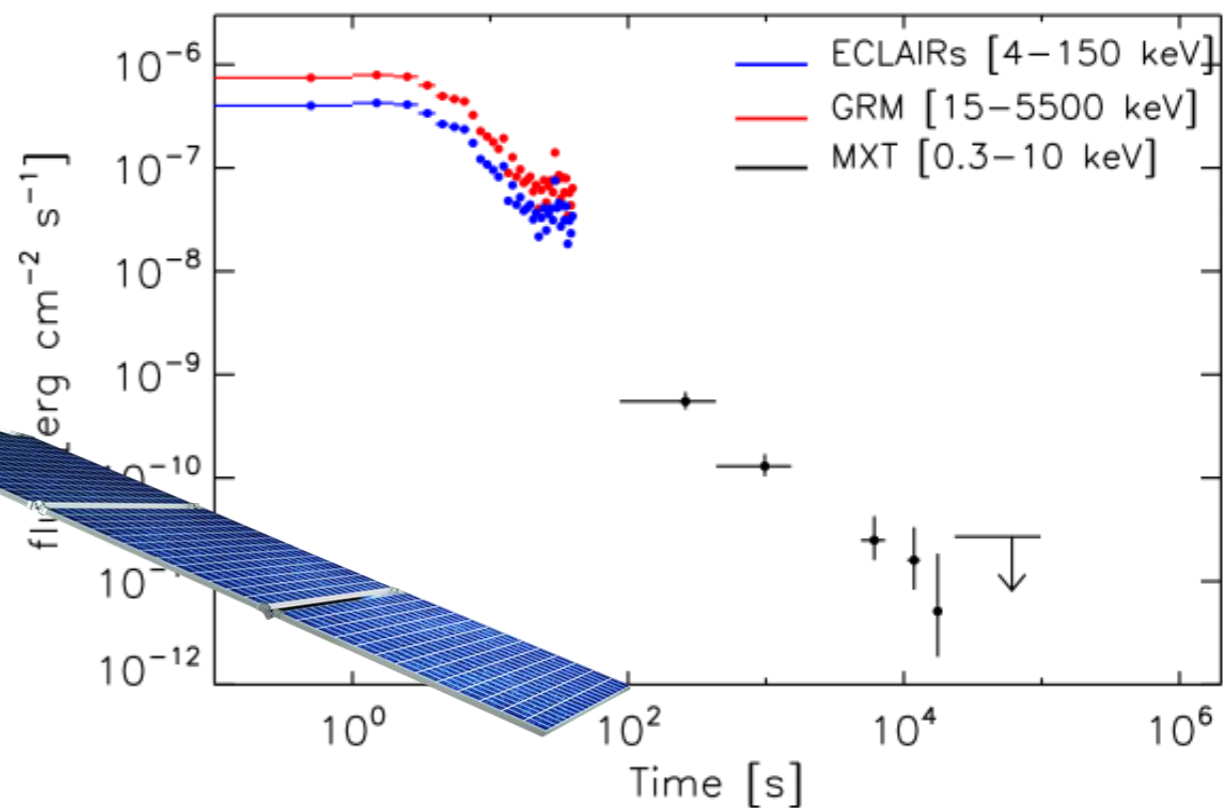
Visible and NIR afterglow  
+photometric redshift

### GWAC

### C-GFT/F-GFT

Very large  
telescopes

Redshift in ~2/3 of cases



The X-ray afterglow of the Swift burst GRB 091020 simulated in MXT.

-> See Frederic Daigne presentation

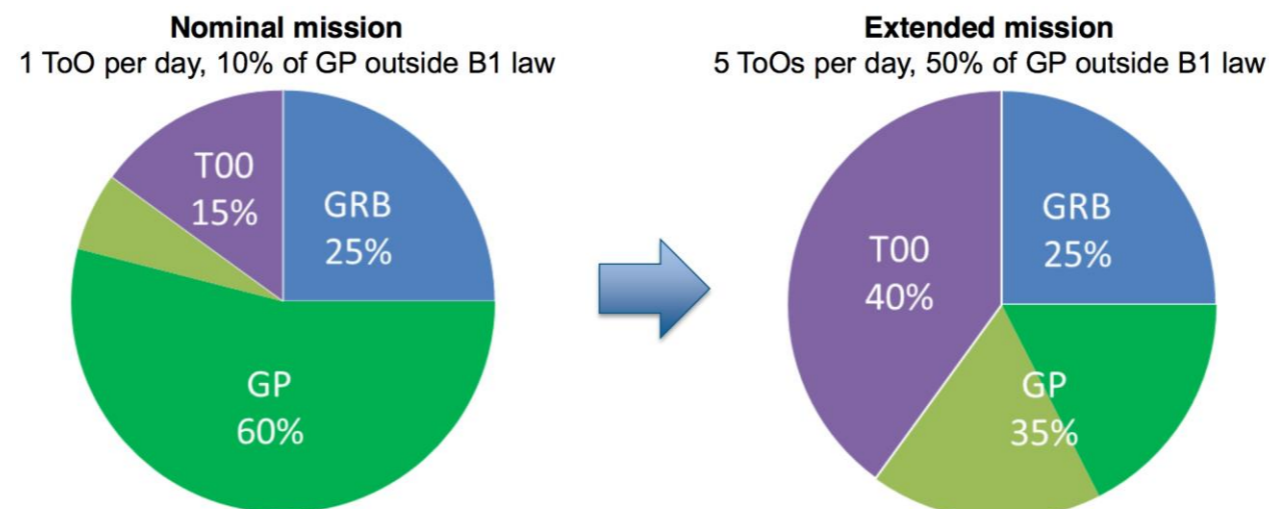
# BESIDES GRBs ...SVOM AS AN OPEN OBSERVATORY

## The general program (GP)

- Observation proposals being awarded by a TAC (a SVOM co-I needs to be part of your proposal) for astrophysical targets of interest mostly compliant with the satellite attitude law
- Only 10% of the time can be spent on low Galactic latitude sources during the nominal mission, up to 50% during the extended mission

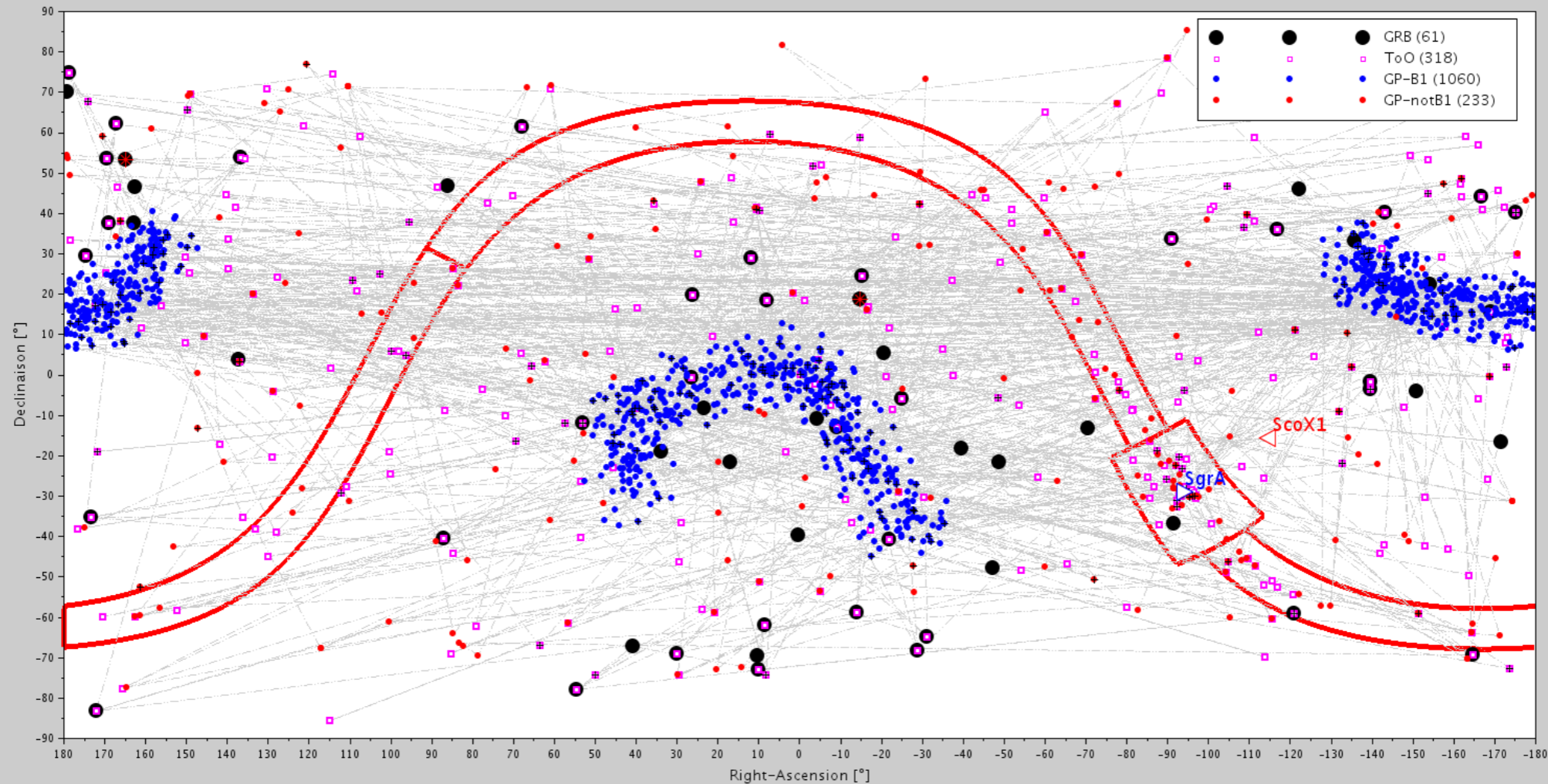
## Target of Opportunity (ToO) programs

- **ToO-NOM** is the nominal ToO which covers the basic needs for efficient transient follow-up alerts sent from the ground to the satellite (GRB revisit, known source flaring, new transient)
- **ToO-EX** is the exceptional ToO which covers the needs for a fast ToO-NOM in case of an exceptional astrophysical event we want to observe rapidly.
- **ToO-MM** is the ToO-EX dedicated to EM counterpart search in response to a multi-messenger alert. What differs from the ToO-NOM and ToO-EX is the unknown position of the source within a large error box...
- Initially 1 ToO/day focussed on time domain astrophysics, will increase during the extended mission





# One year of SVOM Observation



Core Program GRBs 61 pointings,

ToOs Program 318 pointings

General Program 1293 pointings

# THE SVOM MISSION PART 2