

# Laboratoire d'astrophysique



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# L'astrophysique en Suisse Romande

frontière VD/GE  
observatoire  
recherche UNIGE & EPFL

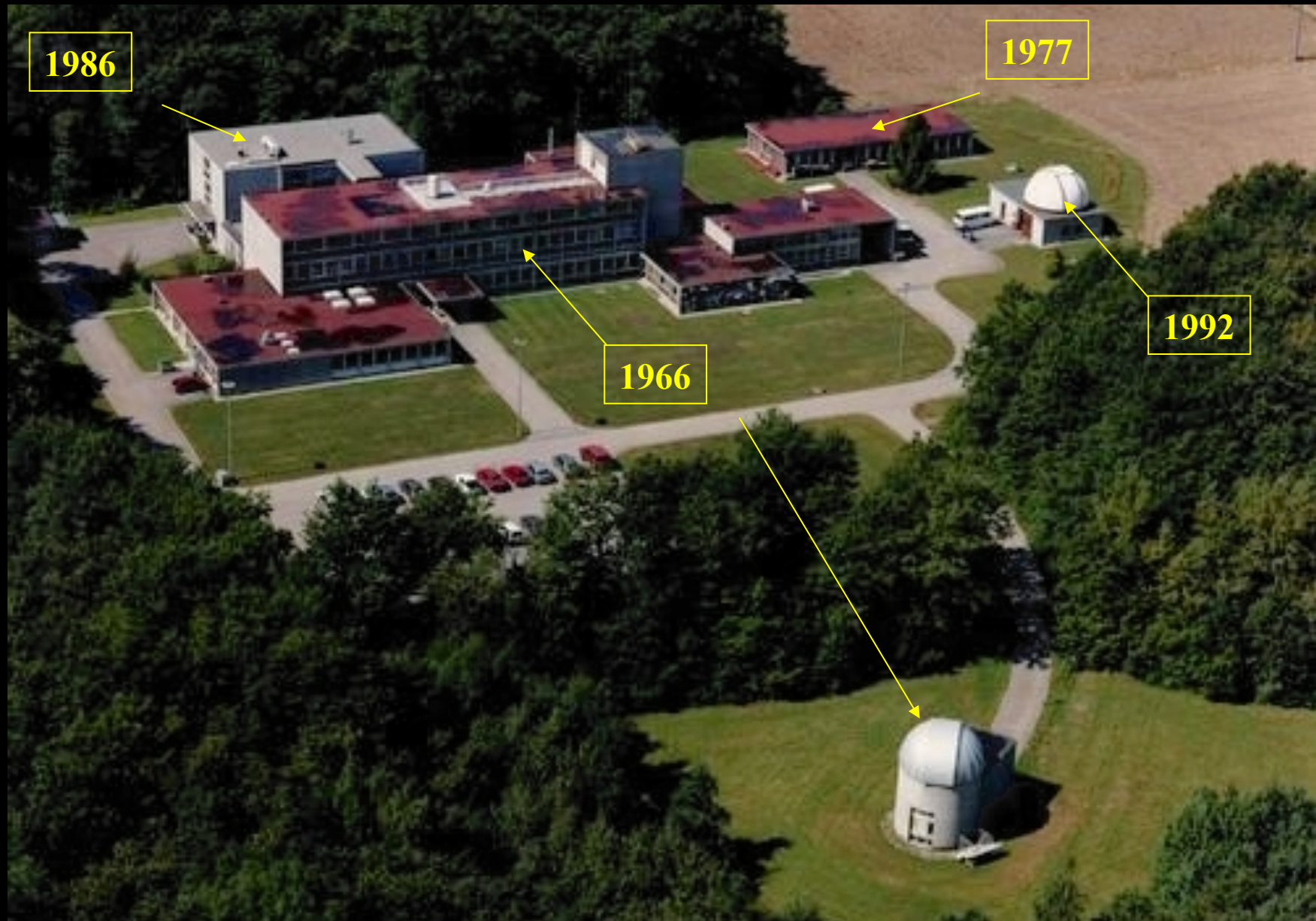
cours EPFL

cours UNIGE

Lake  
Geneva  
as seen  
from  
the  
Space  
Shuttle



# L'Observatoire de Sauverny : UniGE and EPFL



# Extragalactic Astrophysics Observational Cosmology



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There is a total  
of 35 people  
working in the  
Lastro - EPFL

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# Formation - Evolution of Galaxies

Numerical Simulations

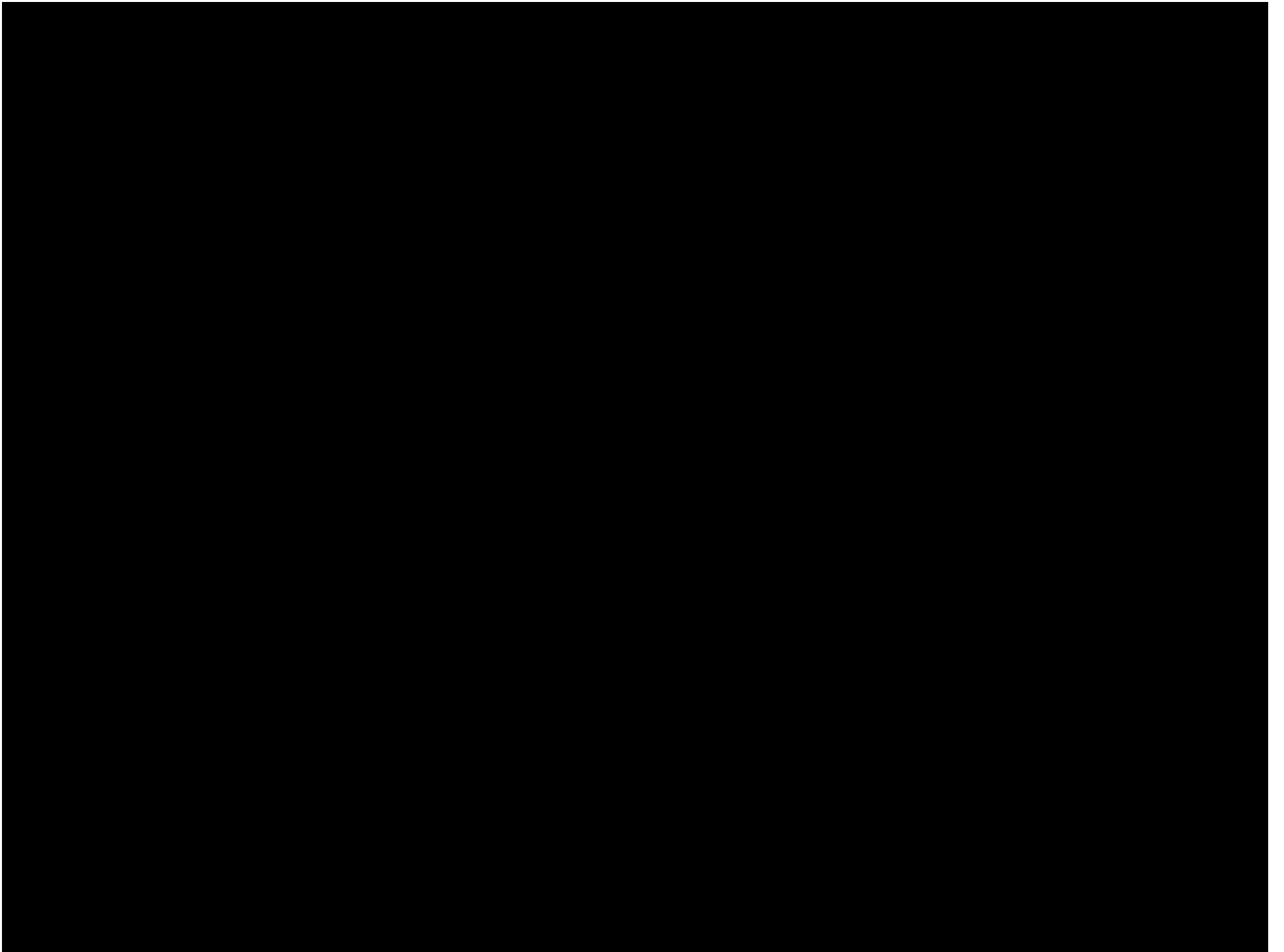
dark matter + stars + gas

including chemical evolution

Observations 1st generations of stars

in the Universe and

Environmental effects : filaments





# **Study of the Dark Sector**

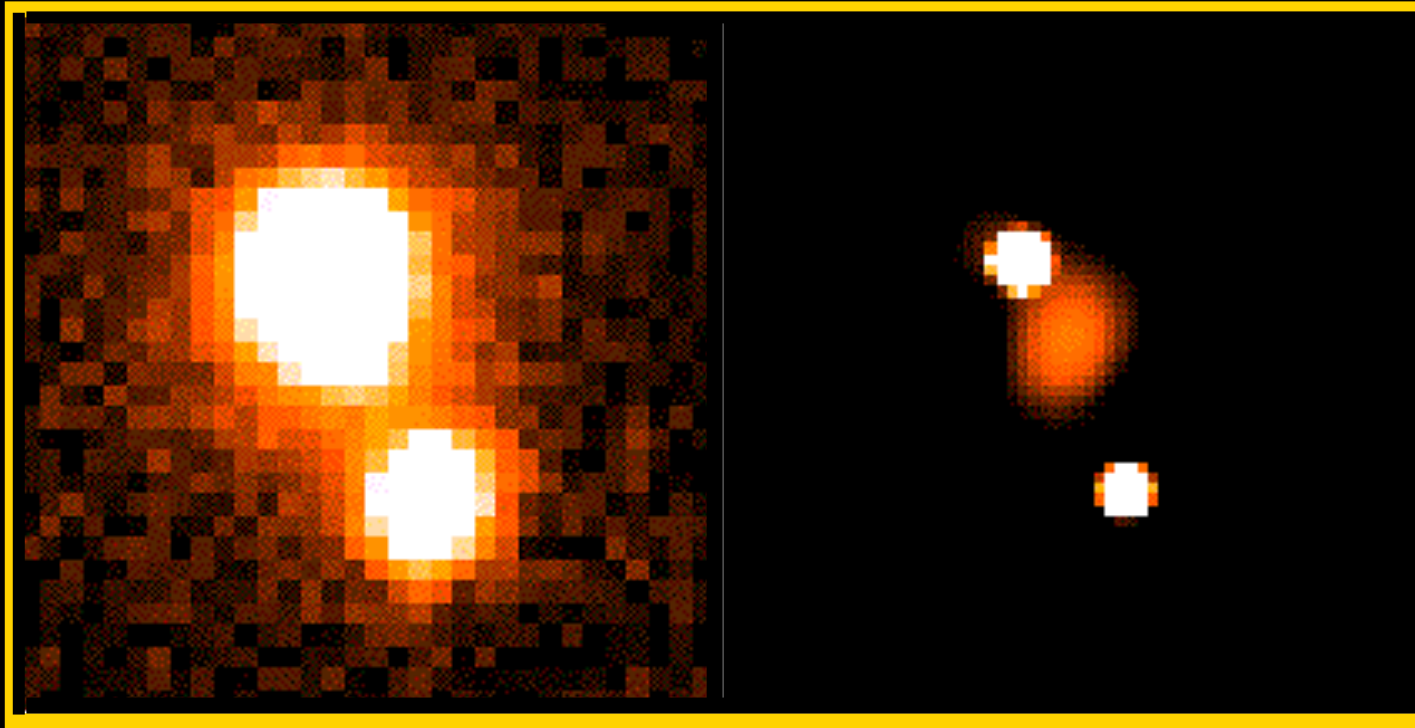
**Galaxy Surveys from the Ground**

# Numerical Data Processing

Deconvolution, Denoising,  
Pattern Recognition

# QSO HE 1104-1805 ESO-MPI 2.2-m IRAC J

Courbin et al., 1998, ApJ, 330, 57  $\Delta(A,B) = 3.19''$   $z_{\text{source}} = 2.32$   $z_{\text{lens}} = 0.73$



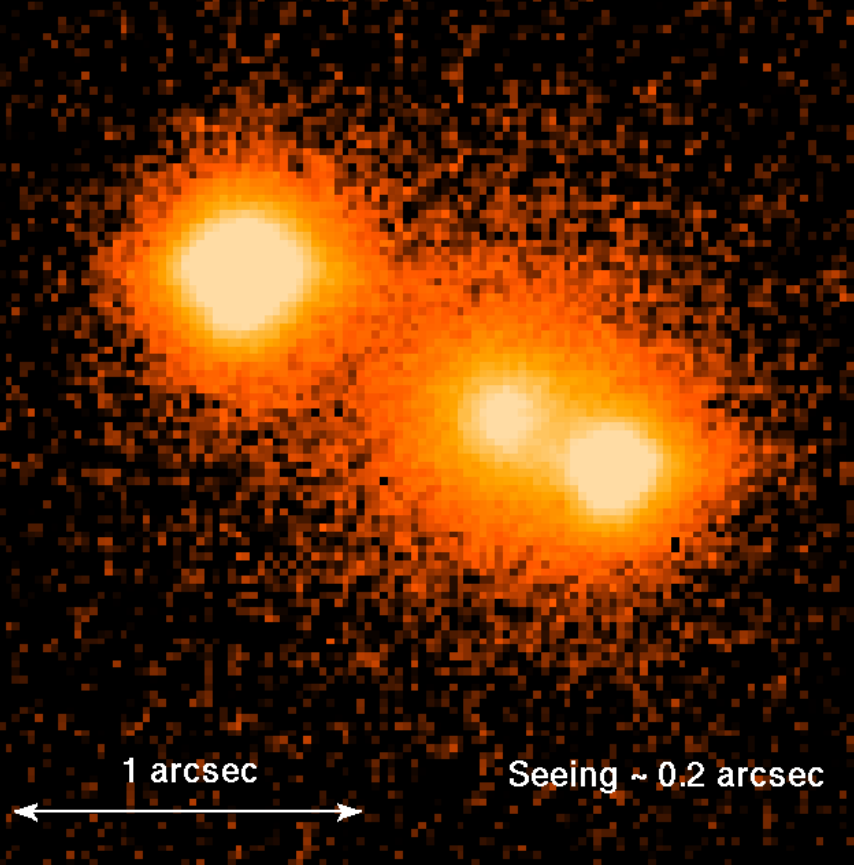
Observations 0.7"

After deconvolution 0.3"

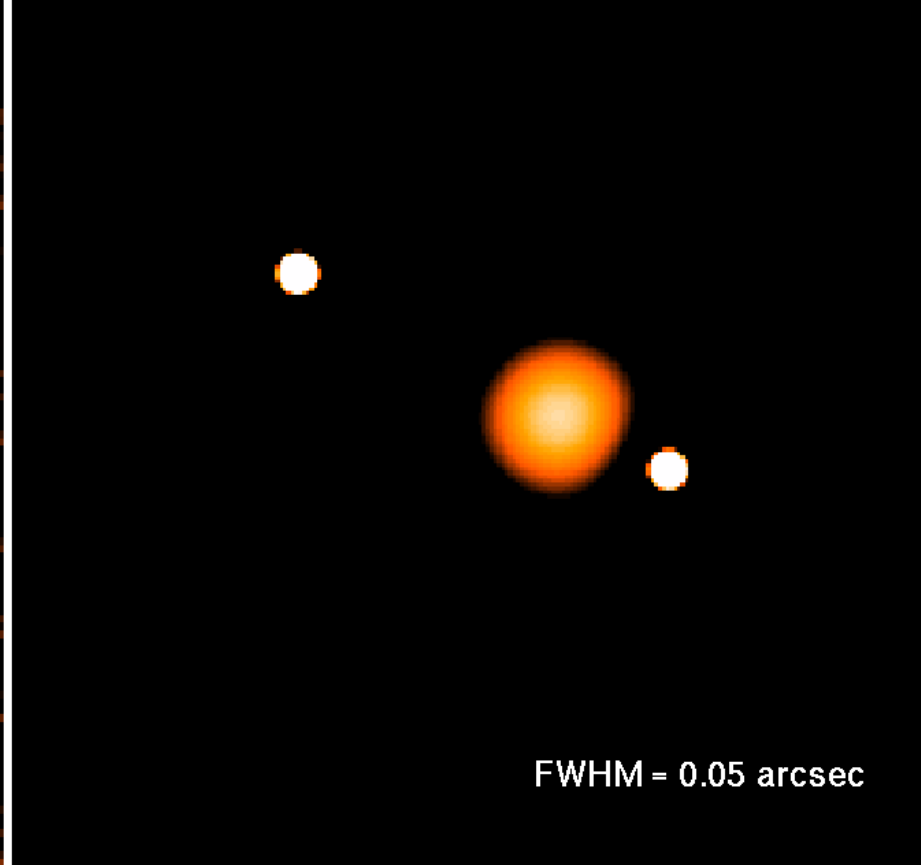
The deconvolution provides an essential step

# Deconvolution

SDSS 0806+20 (VLT + Adaptive Optics)



Deconvolved



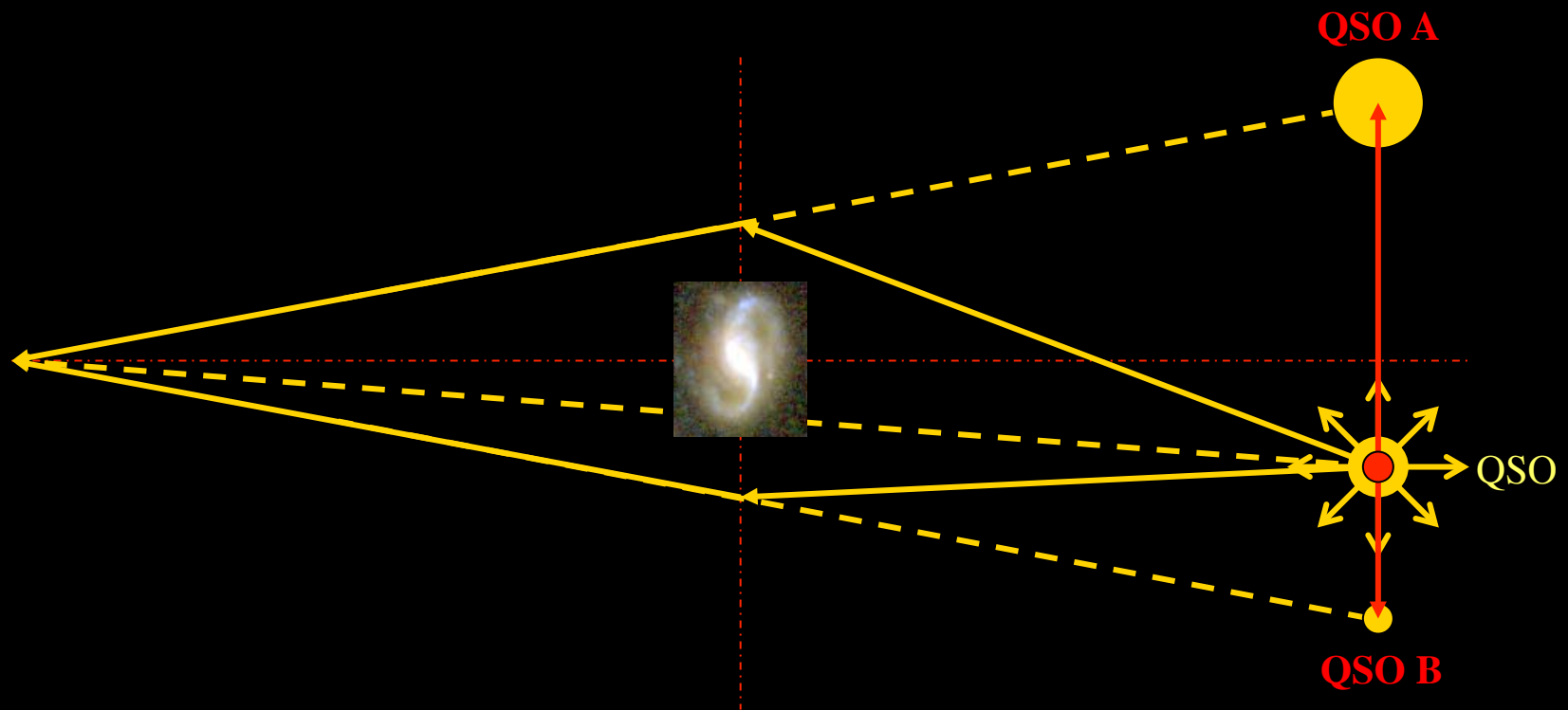
# Cosmological Parameters

Hubble Constant

Age of the Universe

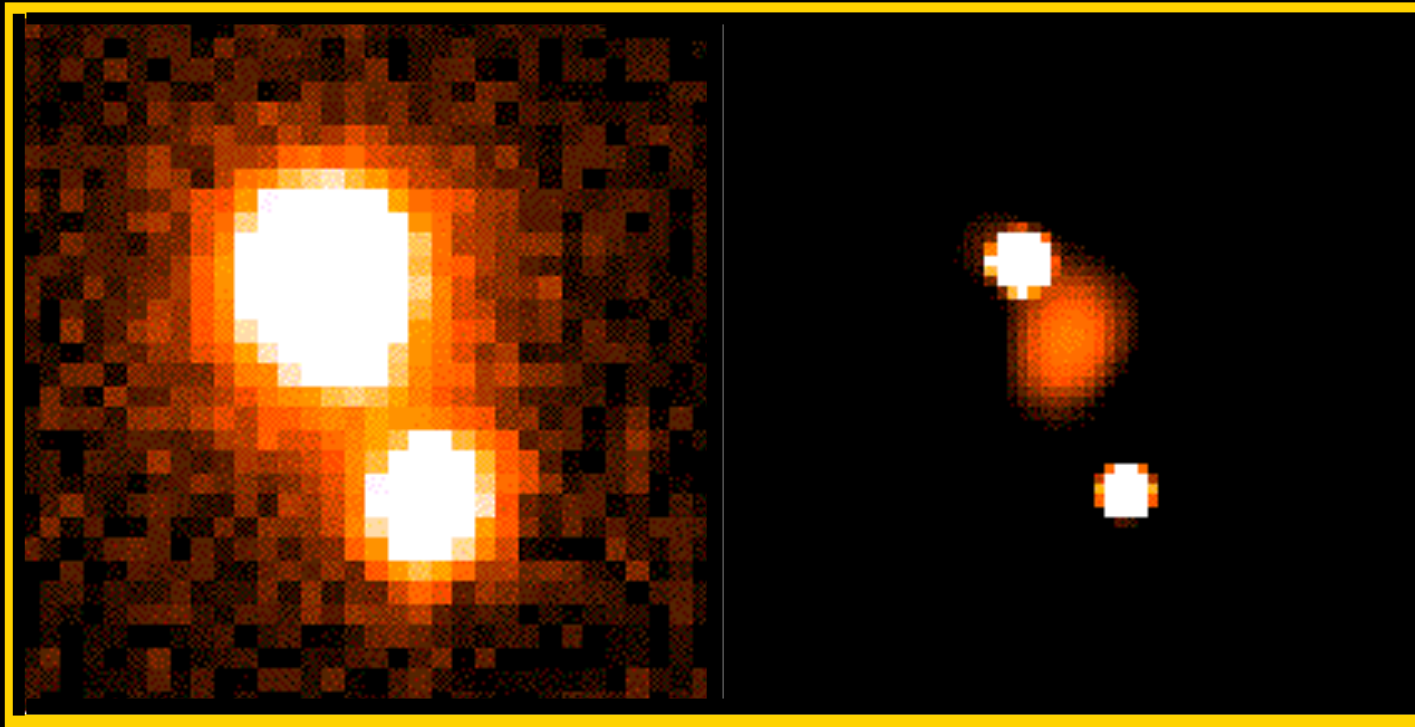
from the Cosmograil Survey

The perturbing action of the lensing galaxy  
demultiplies the single image of the quasar



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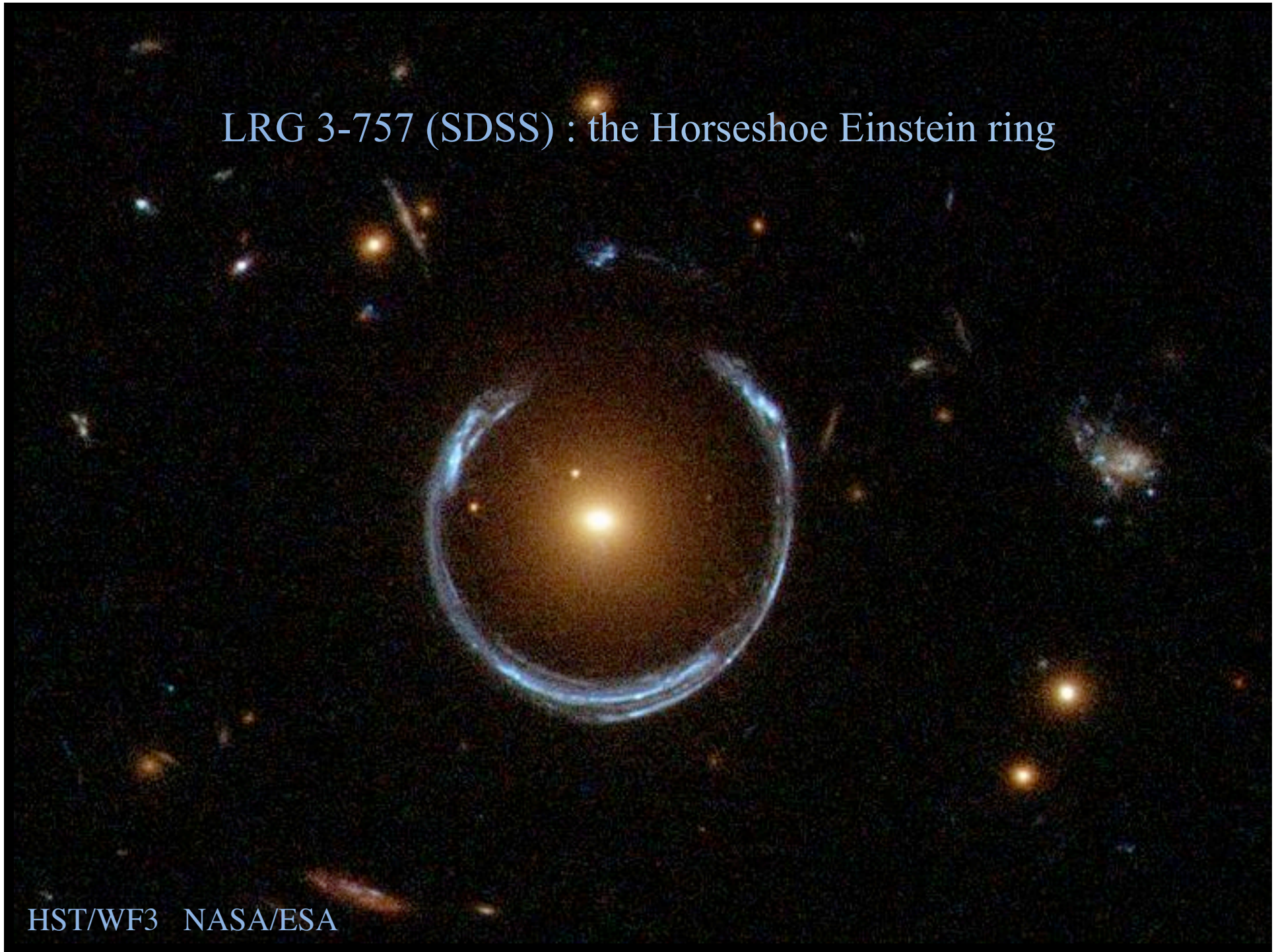


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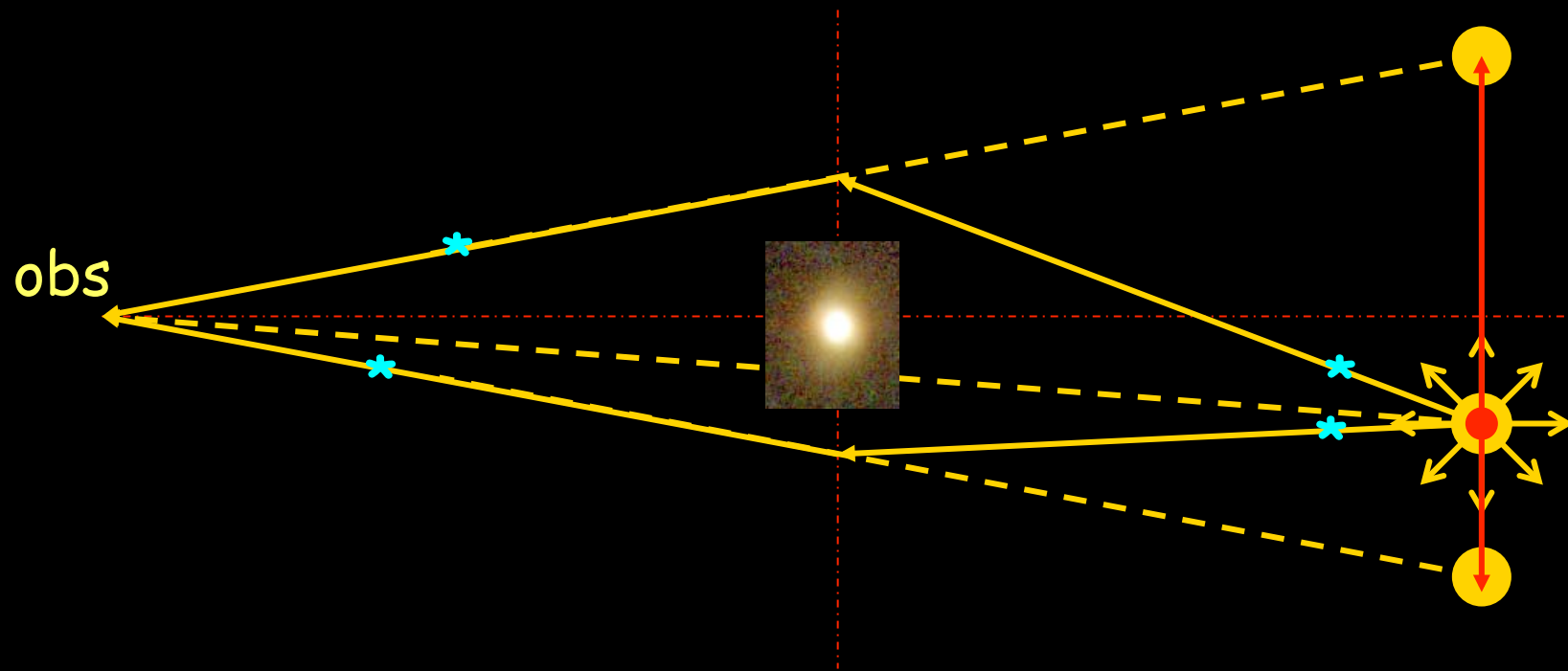
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LRG 3-757 (SDSS) : the Horseshoe Einstein ring





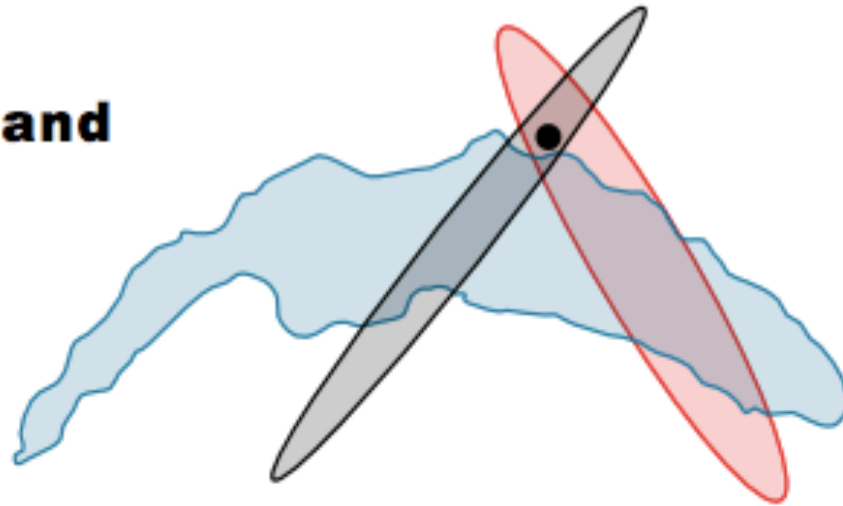
Time delay between two different light paths with different lengths



Intrinsic QSO light variations  $\Rightarrow$  time delay  $\Delta\tau$

# **MORE THAN THE SUM OF ALL PARTS: COMPLEMENTARITY OF COSMOLOGICAL PROBES**

**Lausanne, Switzerland  
24 – 26 June 2013**



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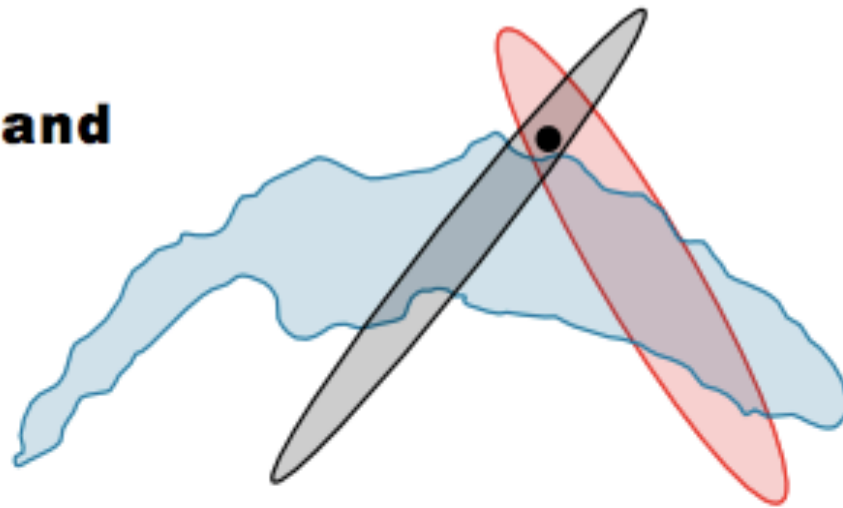
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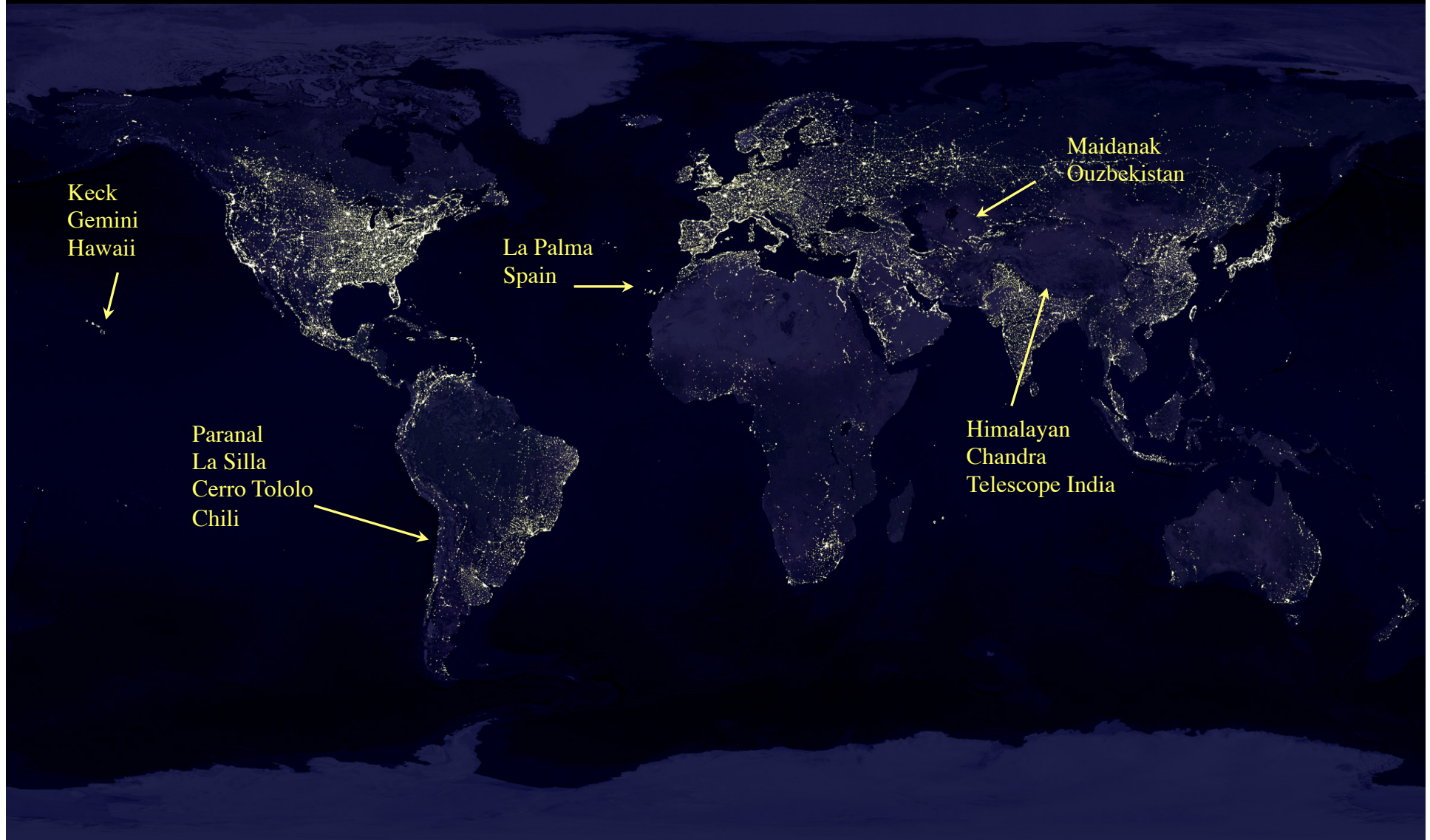
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## **Invited Speakers**

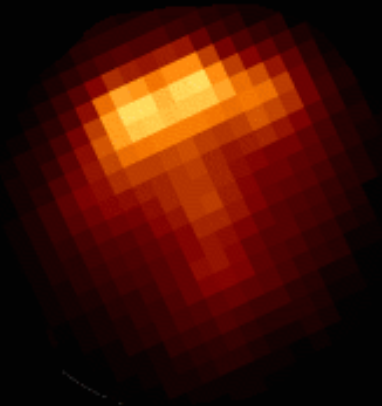
In alphabetical order: **Nabila Aghanim** (CNRS, F), **Steve Allen** (Stanford, USA), **Luca Amendola** (Uni Heidelberg, D), **Matthias Bartelmann** (Uni Heidelberg, D), **Roger Blandford** (Stanford, USA), **Jim Braatz** (NRAO, USA), **Tamara Davis** (Queensland, AU), **Joanna Dunkley** (Oxford, UK), **Wendy Freedman** (Carnegie, USA), **Steven Gratton** (Cambridge, UK), **Shirley Ho** (Carnegie Mellon, USA), **Robert Kirshner** (Harvard, USA), **Marek Kowalski** (Bonn, D), **Ofer Lahav** (UCL, UK), **Bruno Leibundgut** (ESO, D), **Yannick Mellier** (IAP, F), **Alexandre Refregier** (ETHZ, CH), **Thomas Reiprich** (Alfa Bonn, D), **Adam Riess** (Johns Hopkins/STScI, USA), **Anže Slosar** (DOE BNL, USA), **Sherry Suyu** (ASIAA, TW).

# Lieux des observations de Cosmograil



# QSO RXJ 1131-123

original image



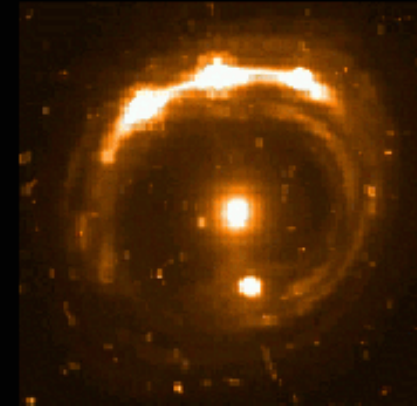
pixel = 0.32 arcsec

deconvolved image



pixel = 0.16 arcsec

HST image

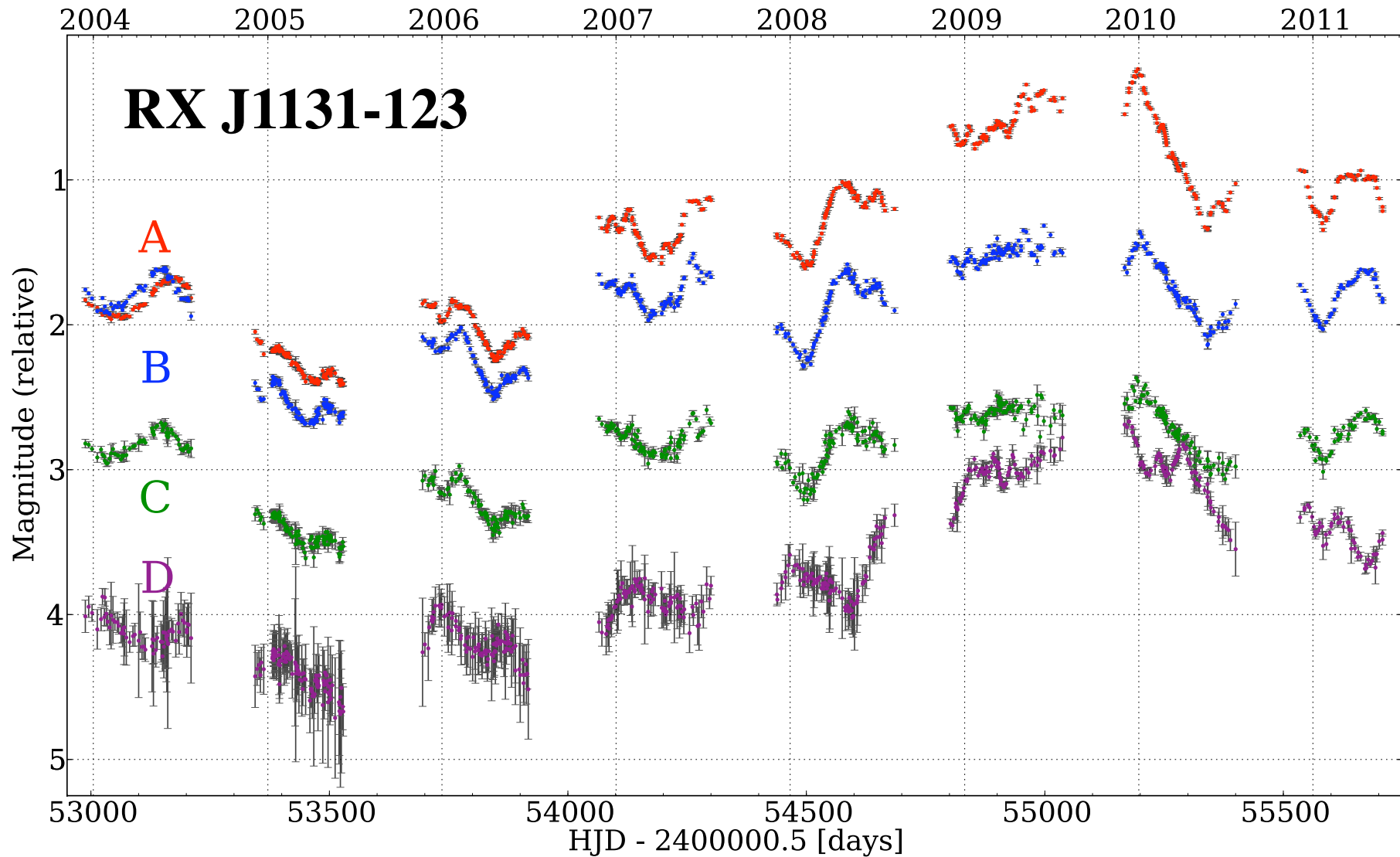


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2 arcsec

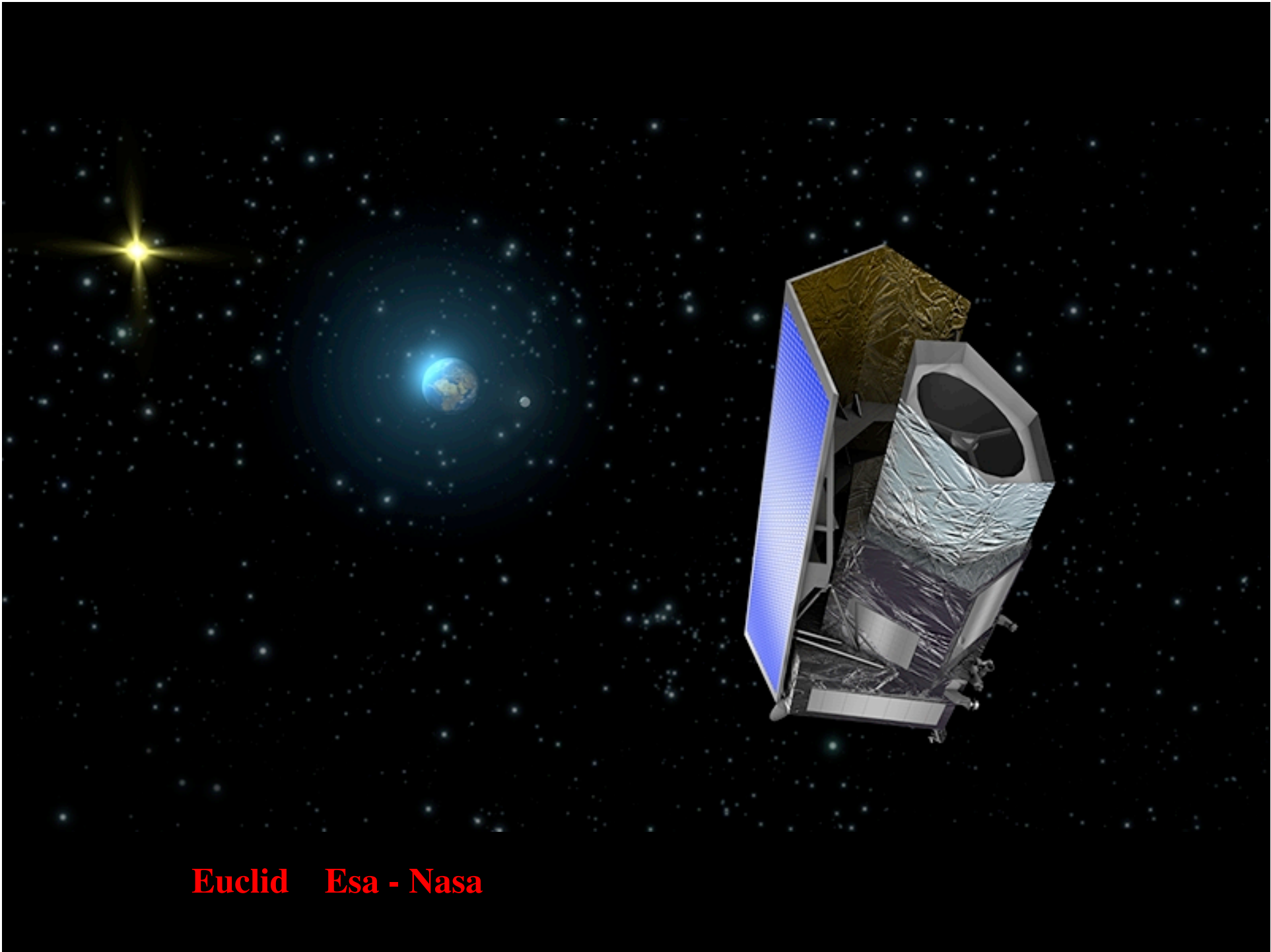


# La mesure du retard temporel fournit une estimation de l'âge de l'Univers



# **Study of the Dark Sector**

*Galaxy Surveys from Space*



**Euclid Esa - Nasa**



ESA – NASA Satellite

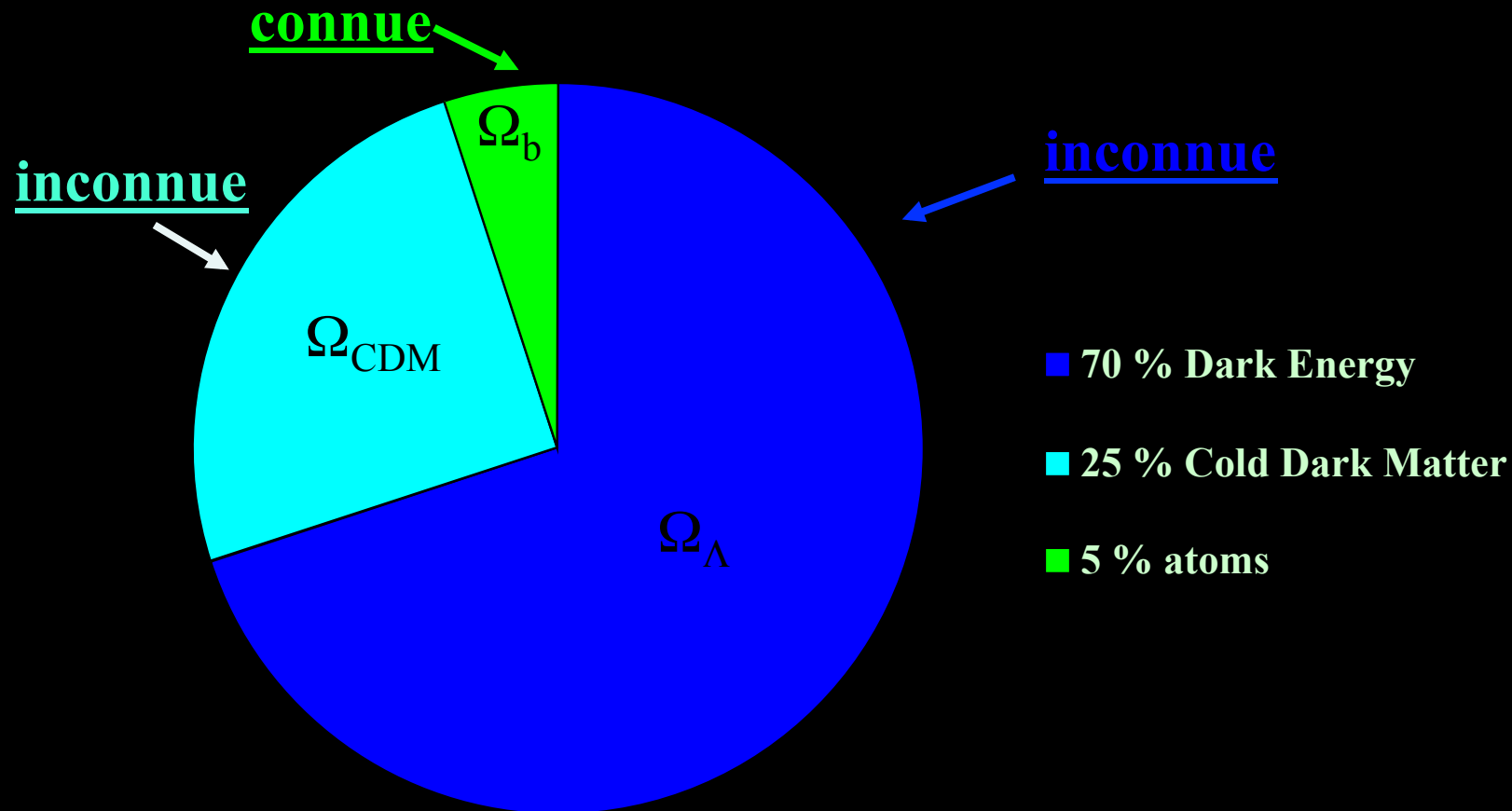
# EUCLID

selected on 4 October 2011

confirmed on 19 June 2012

launch in early 2020

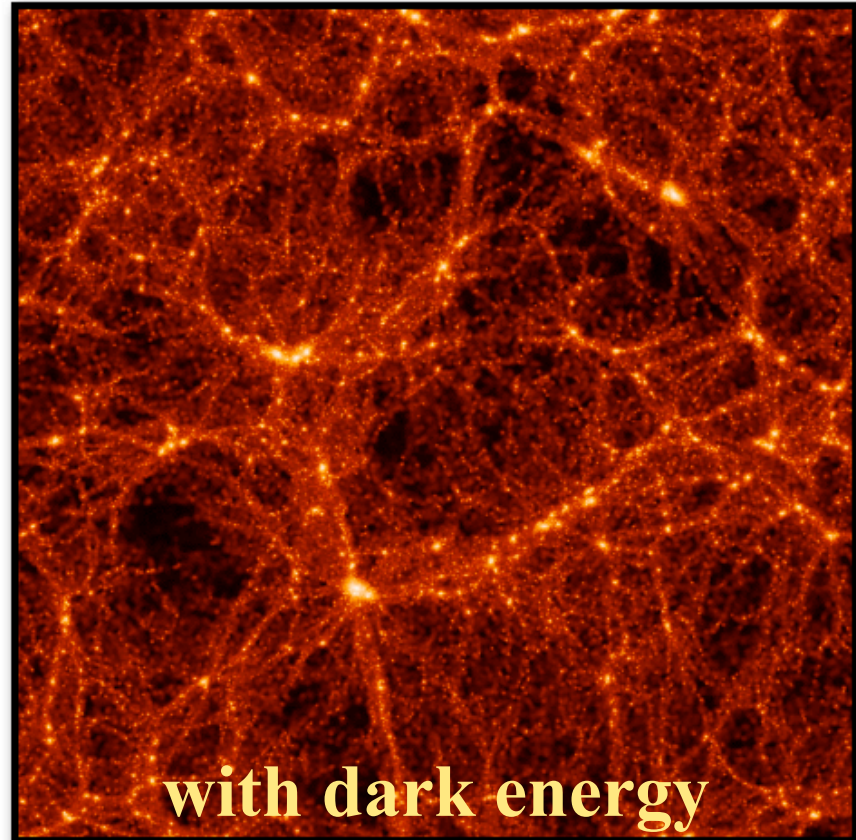
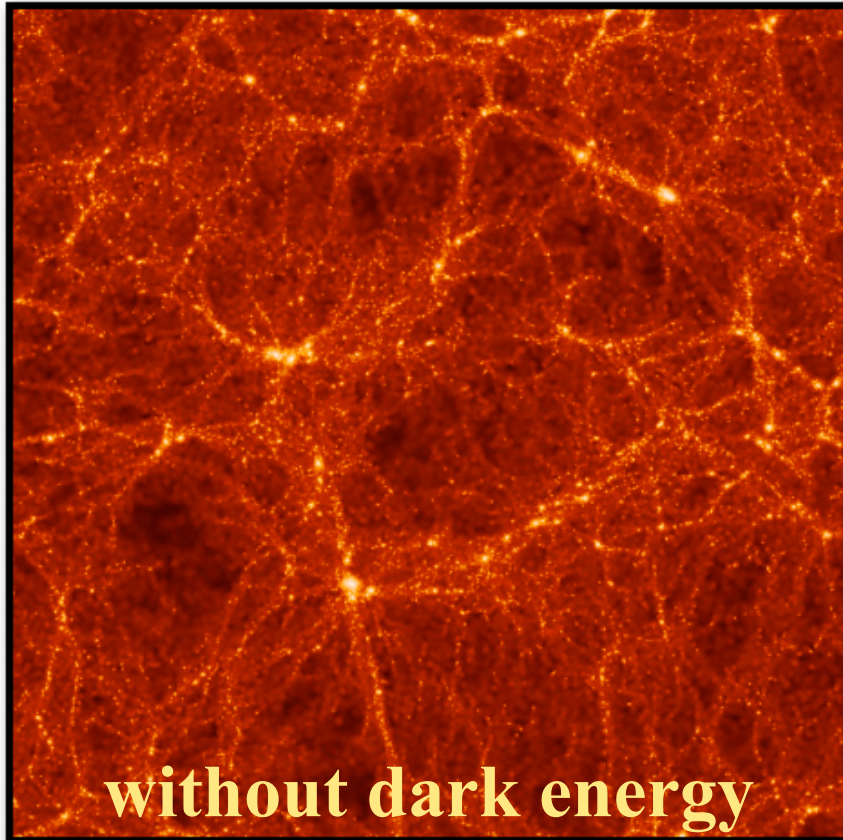
- 1)  $\Omega_b$  matière baryonique (attractive)
- 2)  $\Omega_{\text{CDM}}$  matière sombre (attractive)
- 3)  $\Omega_\Lambda$  énergie sombre (répulsive)



**Le modèle cosmologique actuel repose sur des bases observationnelles très solides, mais comporte deux composantes inconnues dont la nature devrait révolutionner la physique fondamentale et notre compréhension de l'Univers**

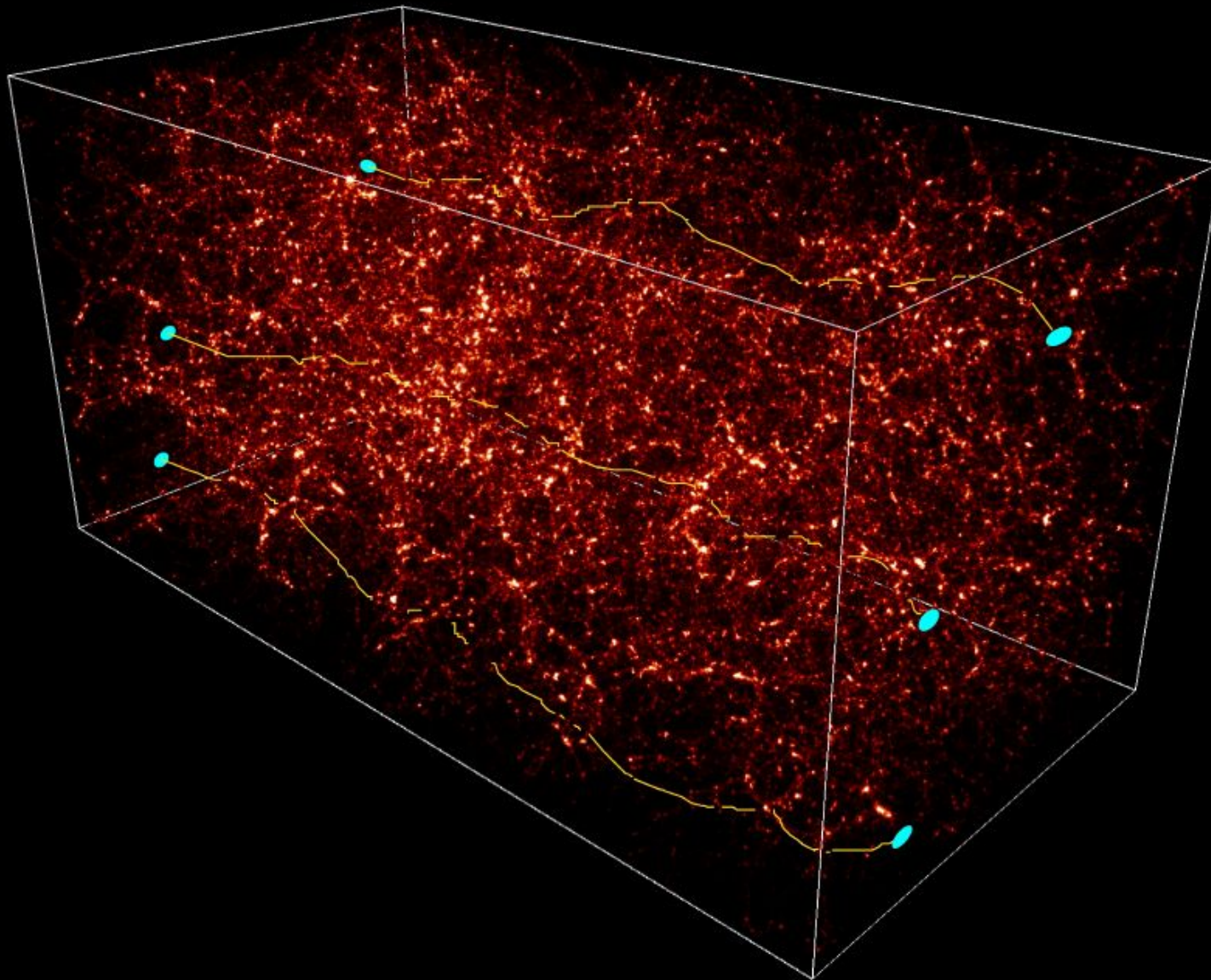
# dark matter and dark energy

Cosmic structure grew from gravitational instability of tiny perturbations that reached macroscopic scales during an early inflation period



Dark matter shapes visible matter in a way that reflects the nature of dark energy. How galaxies are distributed in a Universe with no dark energy (left) would differ measurably from one in which dark energy is significant (right).

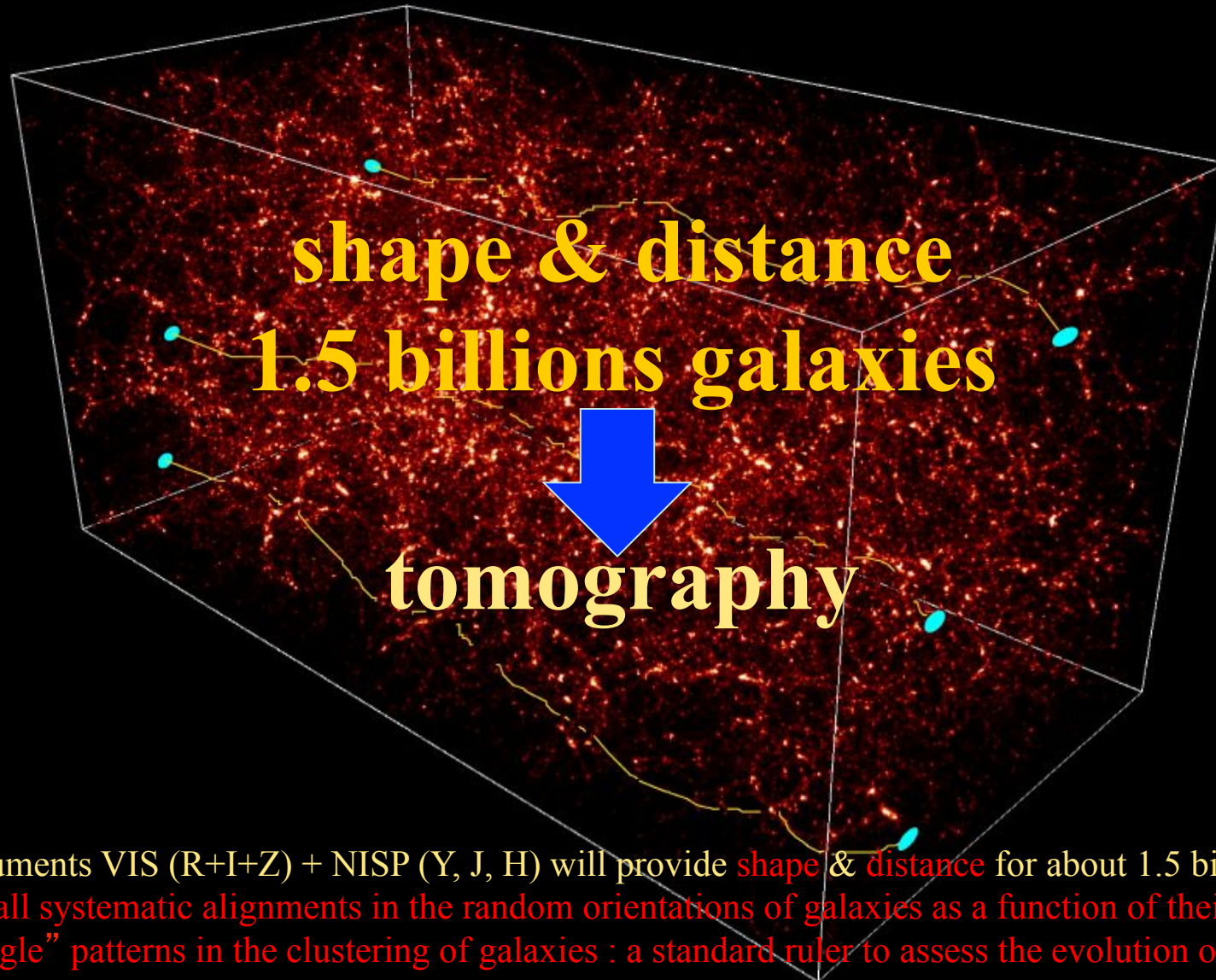
**Deflection of light rays, emitted by distant galaxies, while crossing the Universe induces of phenomenon called weak gravitational lensing**



*SIMULATION: COURTESY NIC GROUP, S. COLOMBI, IAP.*

**Euclid** : optical/near-infrared survey covering 15,000 deg<sup>2</sup> + two 20 deg<sup>2</sup> deep fields  
optimized for two independent primary cosmological probes

**Weak Gravitational Lensing (WL)** and **Baryonic Acoustic Oscillations (BAOs)**



The 2 instruments VIS (R+I+Z) + NISP (Y, J, H) will provide **shape & distance** for about 1.5 billion galaxies

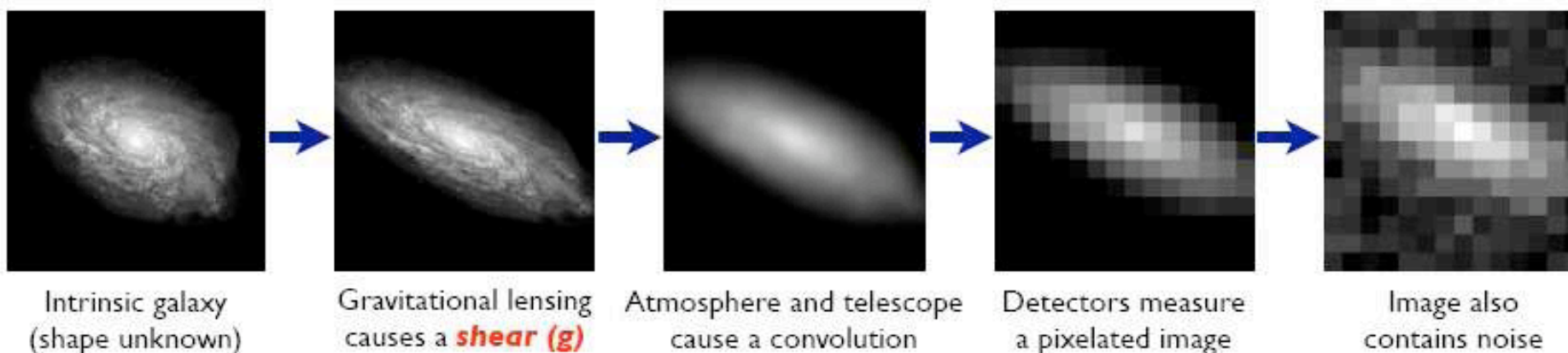
**WL** : small systematic alignments in the random orientations of galaxies as a function of their distances

**BAO** : “wiggle” patterns in the clustering of galaxies : a standard ruler to assess the evolution of the Universe

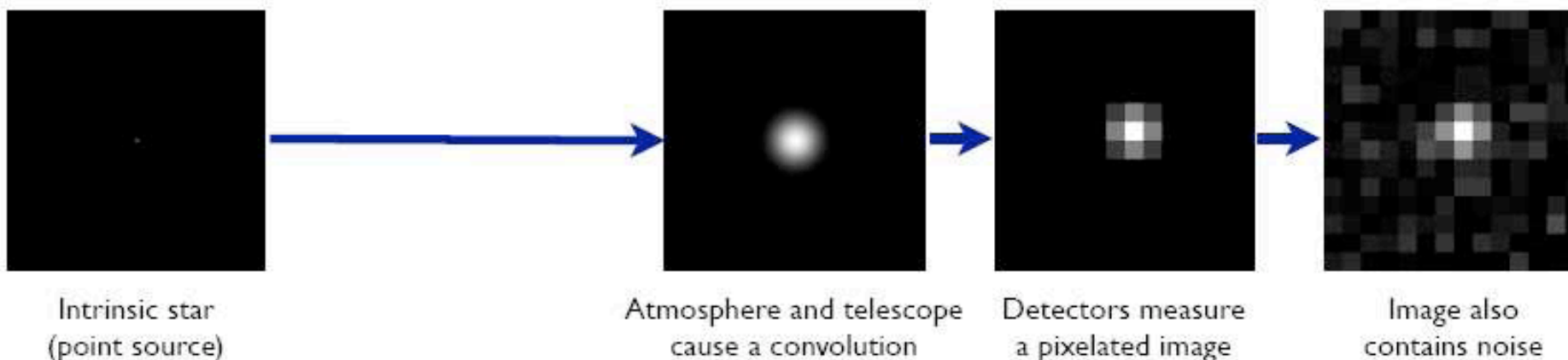
# The shape of a galaxy at $\sim 1\%$ accuracy

## The Forward Process.

**Galaxies:** Intrinsic galaxy shapes to measured image:



**Stars:** Point sources to star images:



# EUCLID data reduction



**A challenge to design and test  
weak lensing algorithms  
for whole-sky surveys**

The goal is to address **two fundamental issues in weak lensing tomography**, using realistic simulated data (Kitching et al. 2010, arXiv:1009.0779)

**Challenge 1 : to measure the shape of 52 millions of galaxies**

**Challenge 2 : to characterize and interpolate the instrumental response or PSF (Point Spread Function) with exquisite accuracy**

The series of « GREAT » challenges is a blind test-bench for EUCLID and for ongoing and future ground-based and space surveys. The challenge is progressively made more and more complex and realistic to allow robust lensing measurement methods to be developed.

**EPFL/LASTRO is ranked 1st on Challenge 2 and is ranked 4th (out of 82) on Challenge 1, beating most popular algorithms.**

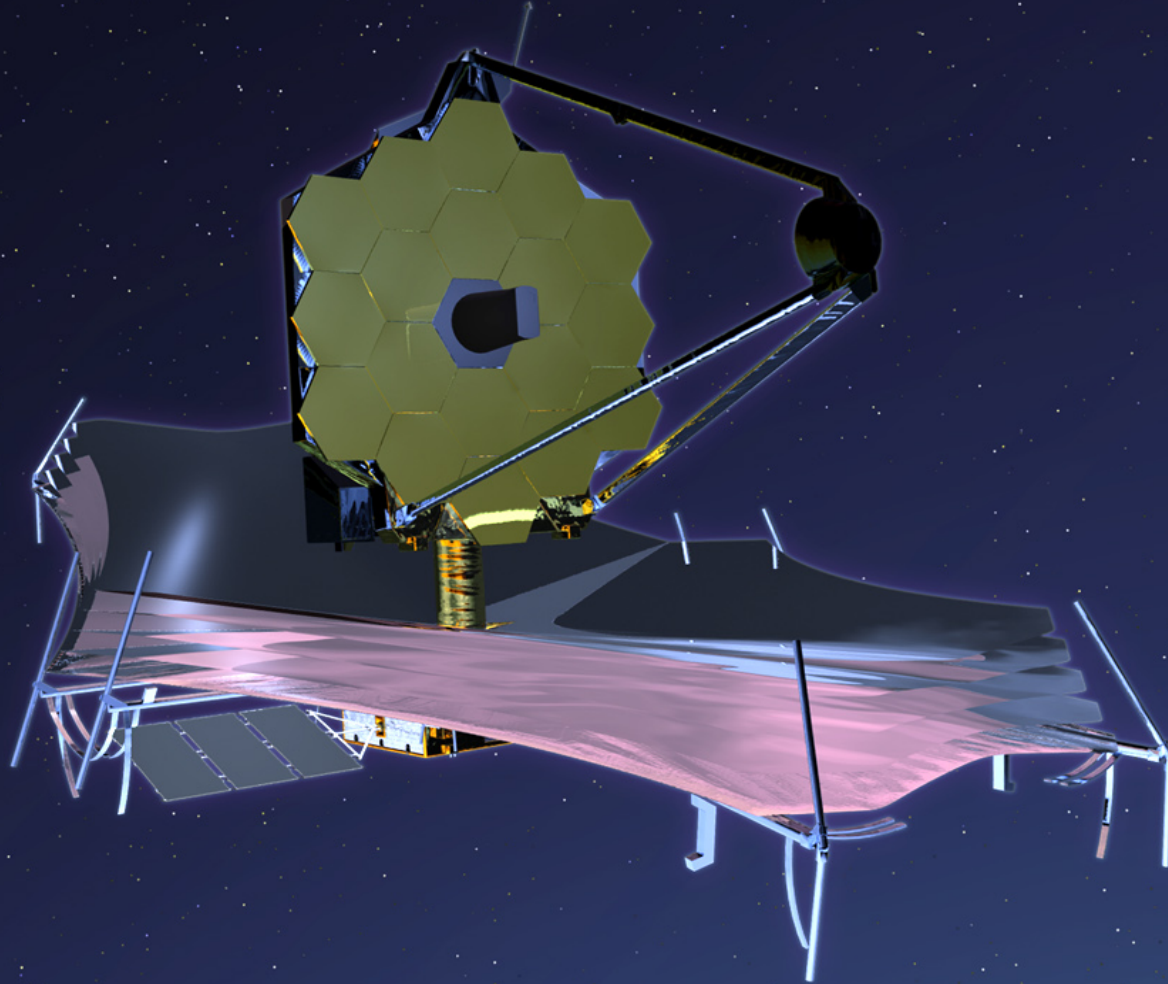
**All data analysis methods  
will be used for all data  
coming from ground-based  
and space-born facilities**



**JWST**  
**NASA - ESA**

NASA/ESA launch ~ 2018

# JWST



diameter = 6.5 m

infrared : 0.6 – 28 microns

# European Southern Observatory

Headquarters in Garching bei München

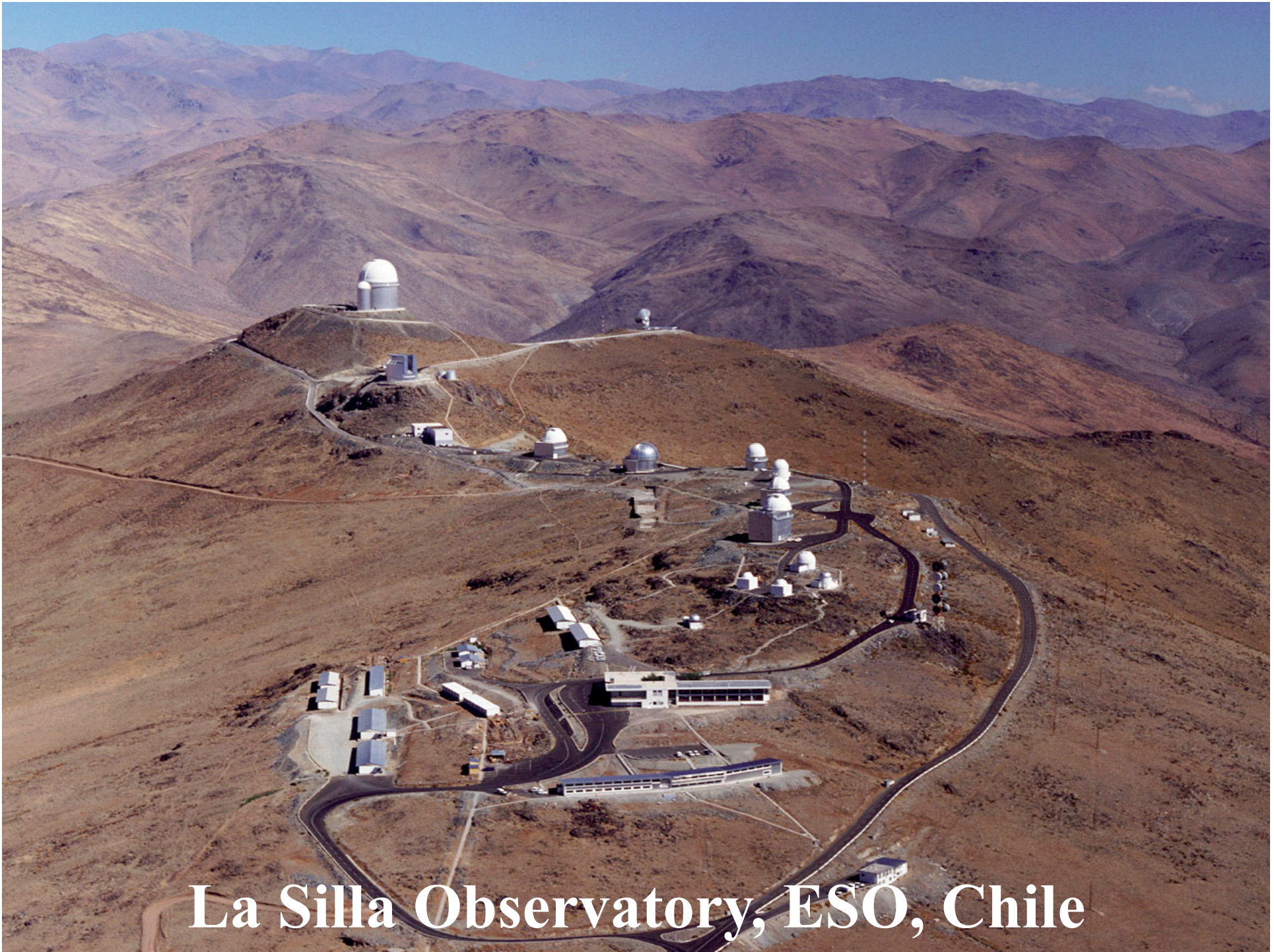




La Silla



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La Silla Observatory, ESO, Chile



**Paranal**



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# Paranal Observatory, ESO, Chile

VLT - VLTI - VST - VISTA









ALMA Atacama Large Millimeter Array ESO - USA - Japan Inauguration March 14, 2013

**E-ELT**

**European Extremely  
Large Telescope**



**Paranal**

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**Alma**

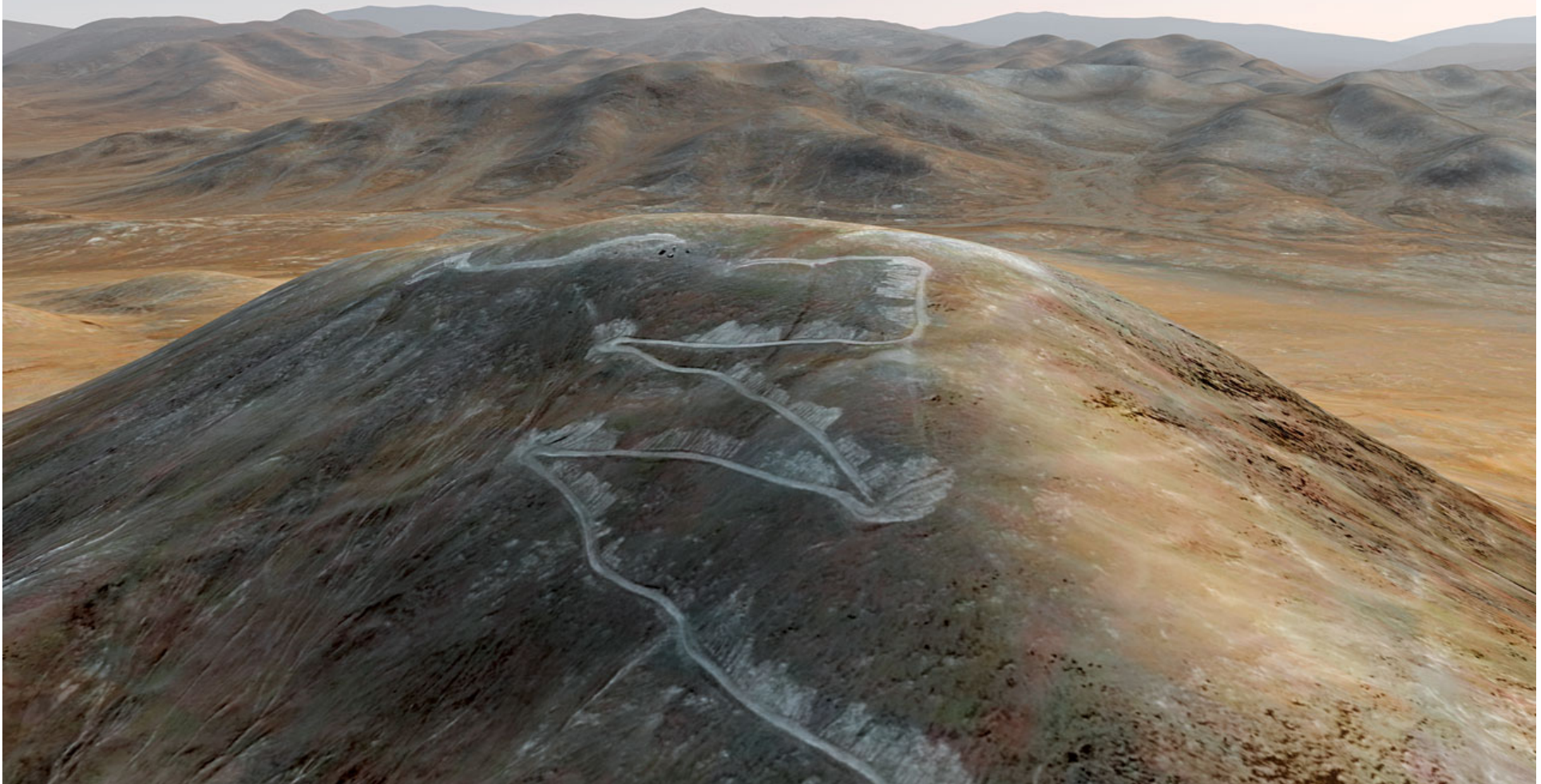




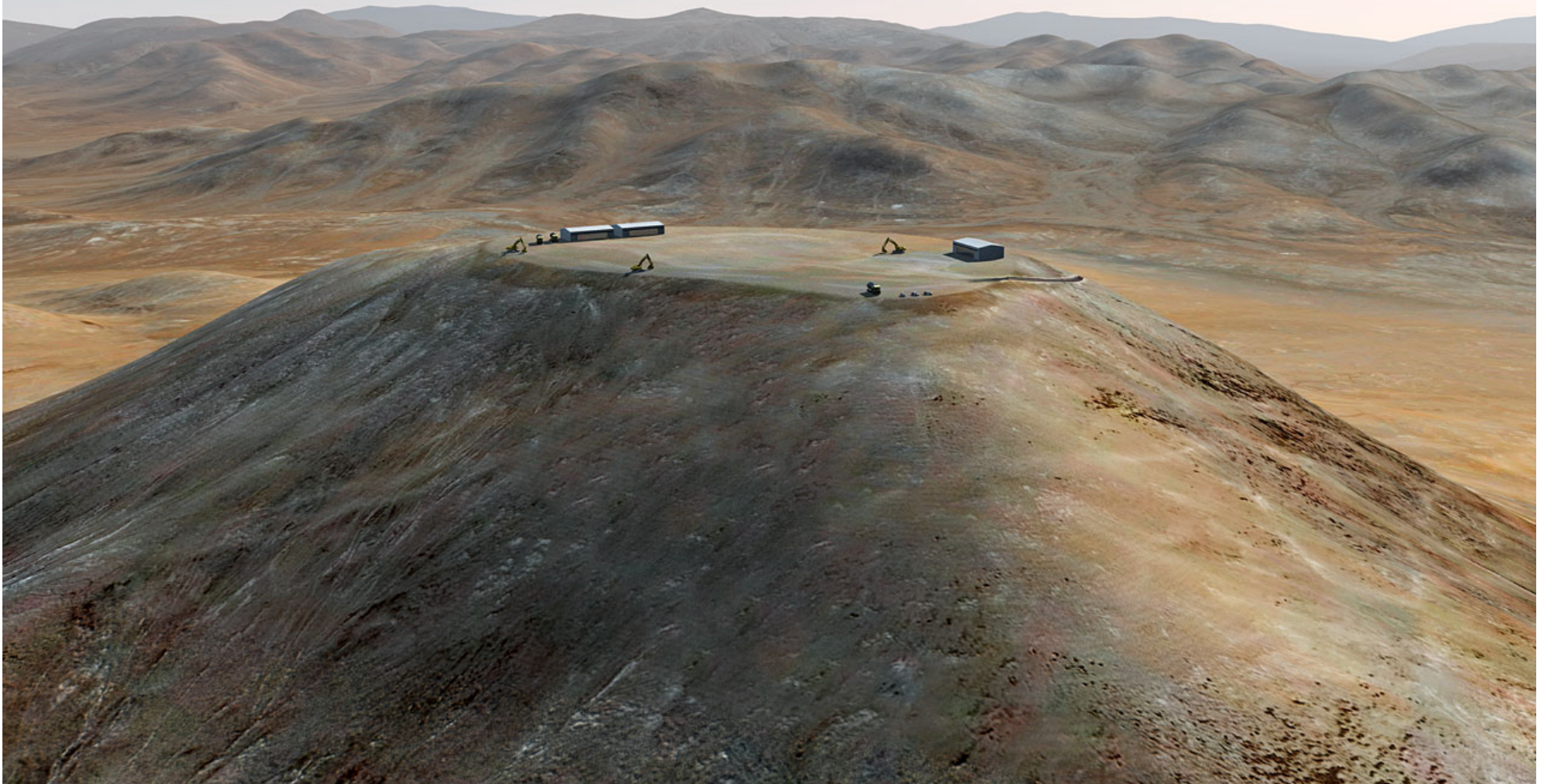
le ESO E-ELT sera construit sur le Cerro Armazones, Atacama, Chile (vu depuis Paranal)

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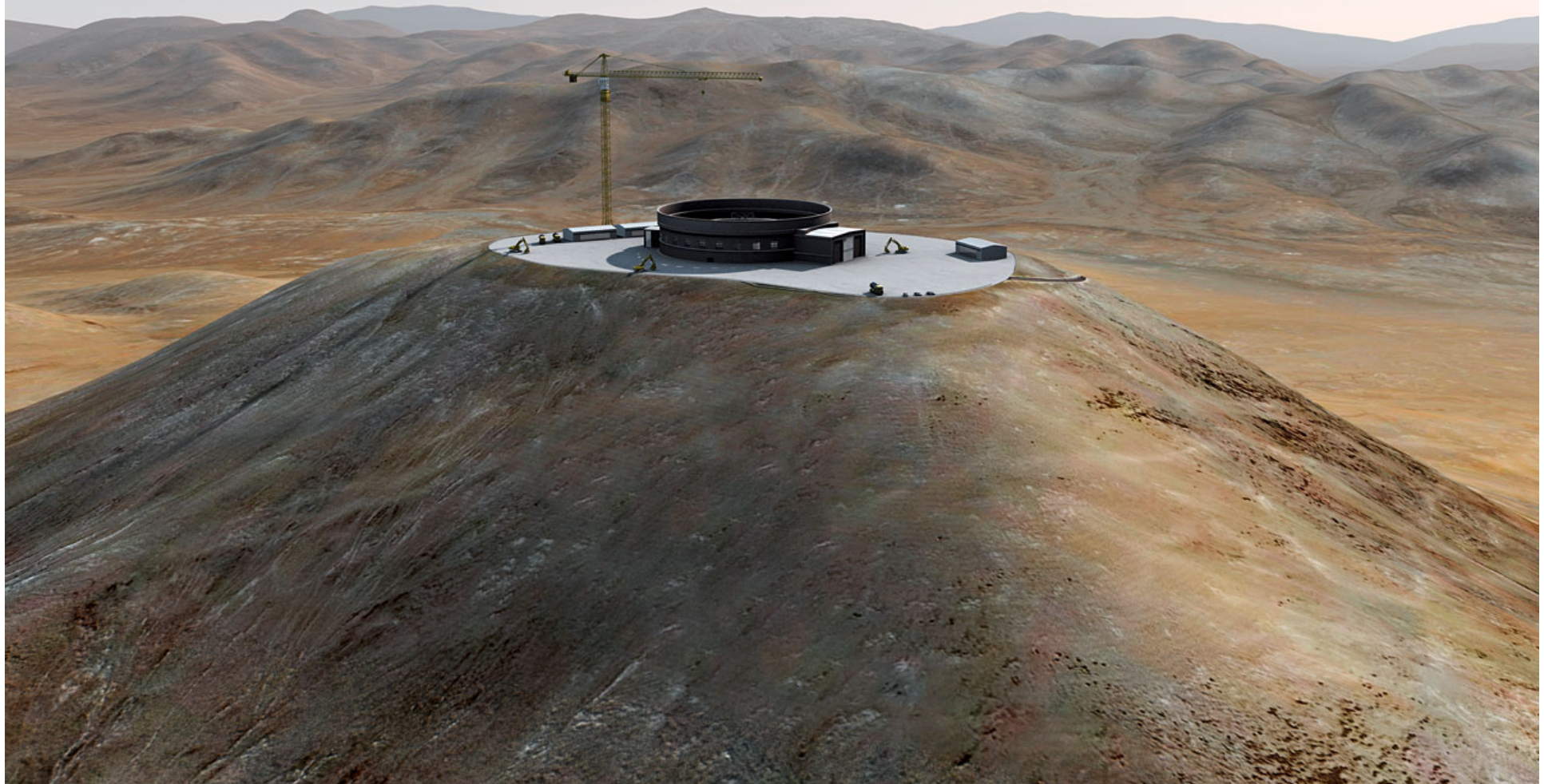
**septembre 2013 :**  
**appel d'offres pour la route**



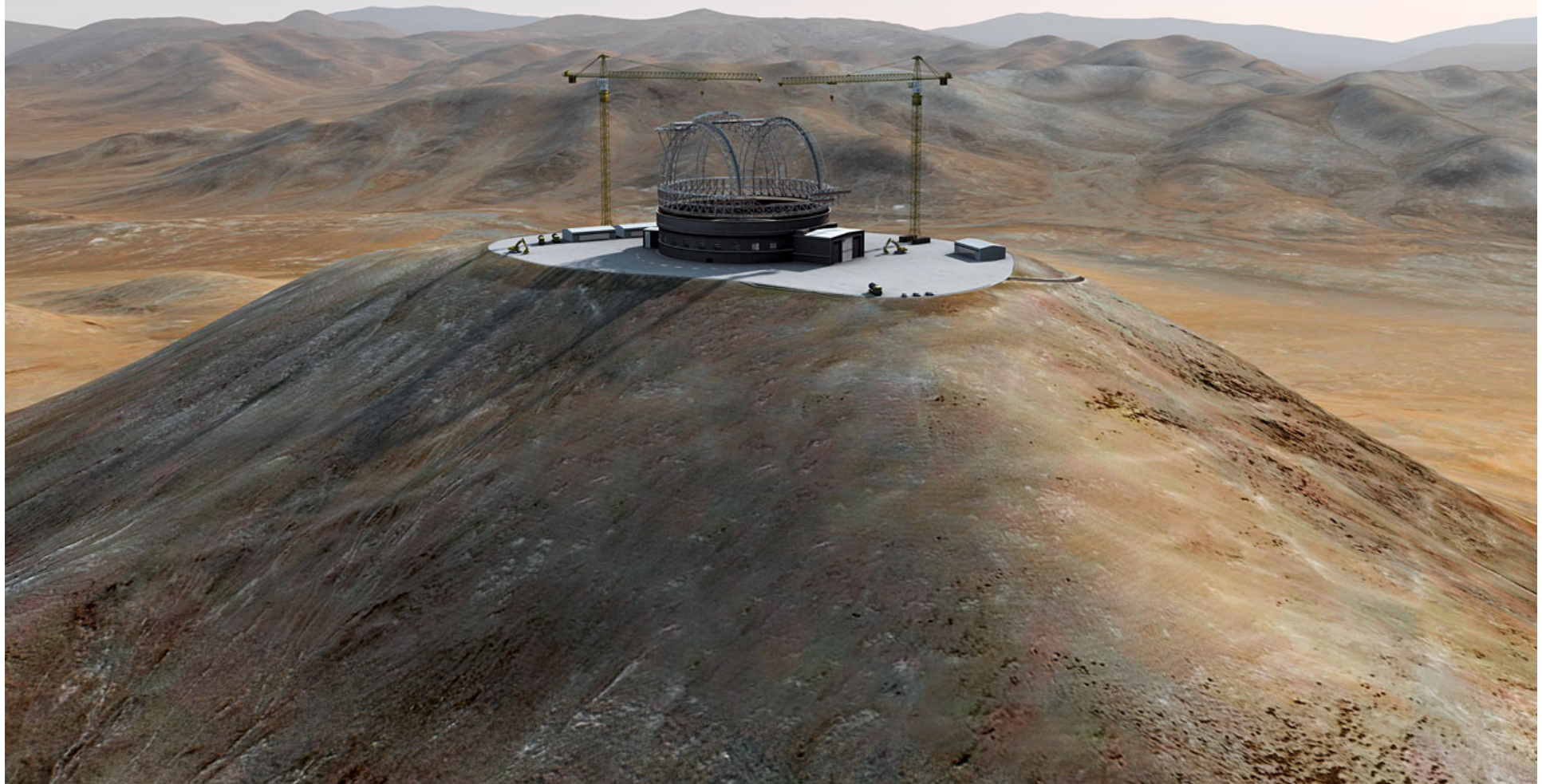
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