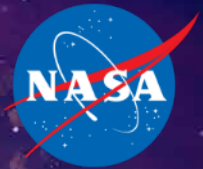


National Aeronautics and  
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# EXPLORE SOLAR SYSTEM & BEYOND

## **Astrophysics Division Update**

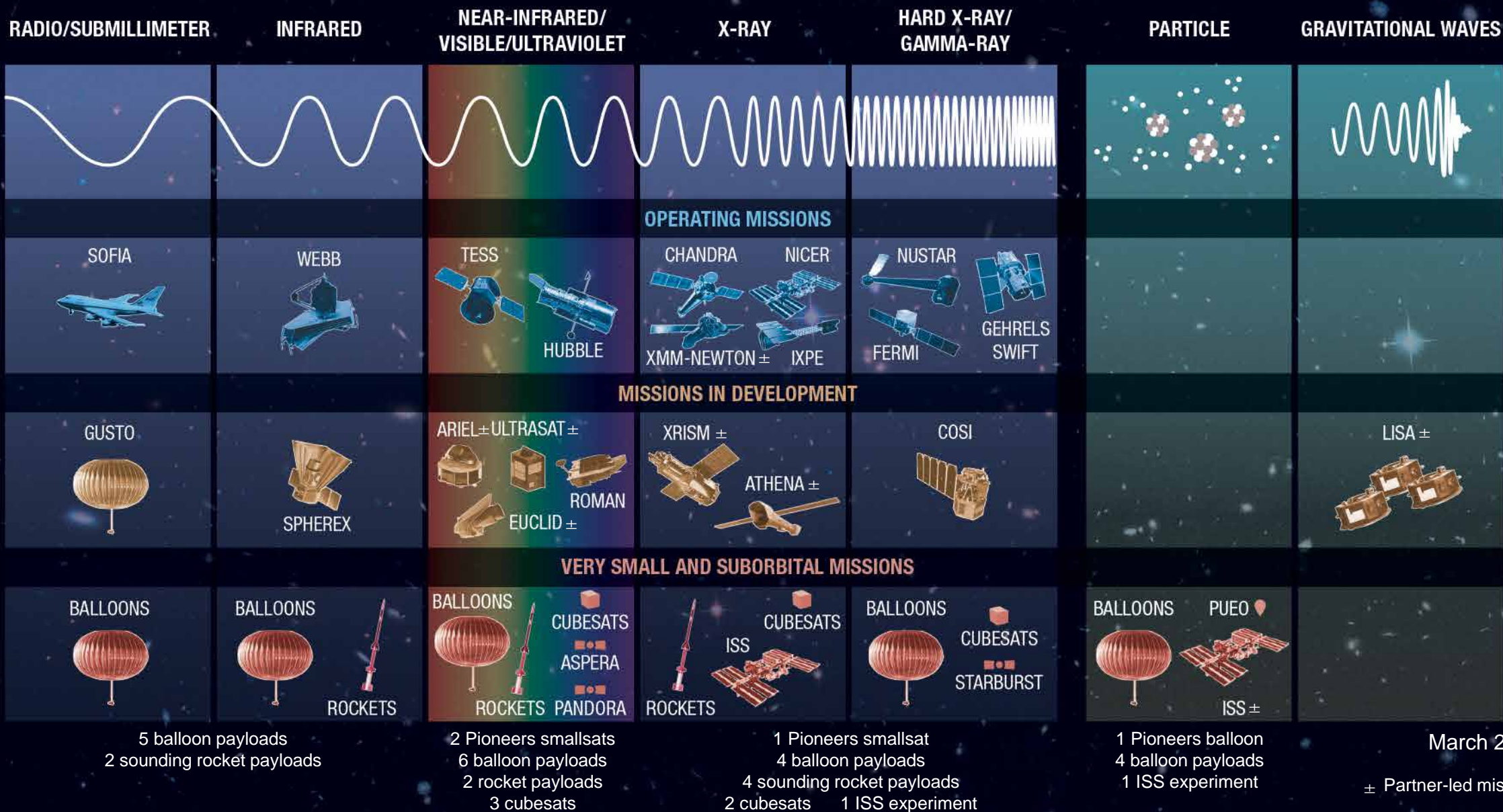
**Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee / June 6, 2022**

**Paul Hertz**

Director, Astrophysics Division  
Science Mission Directorate

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# ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM



March 2022

± Partner-led mission

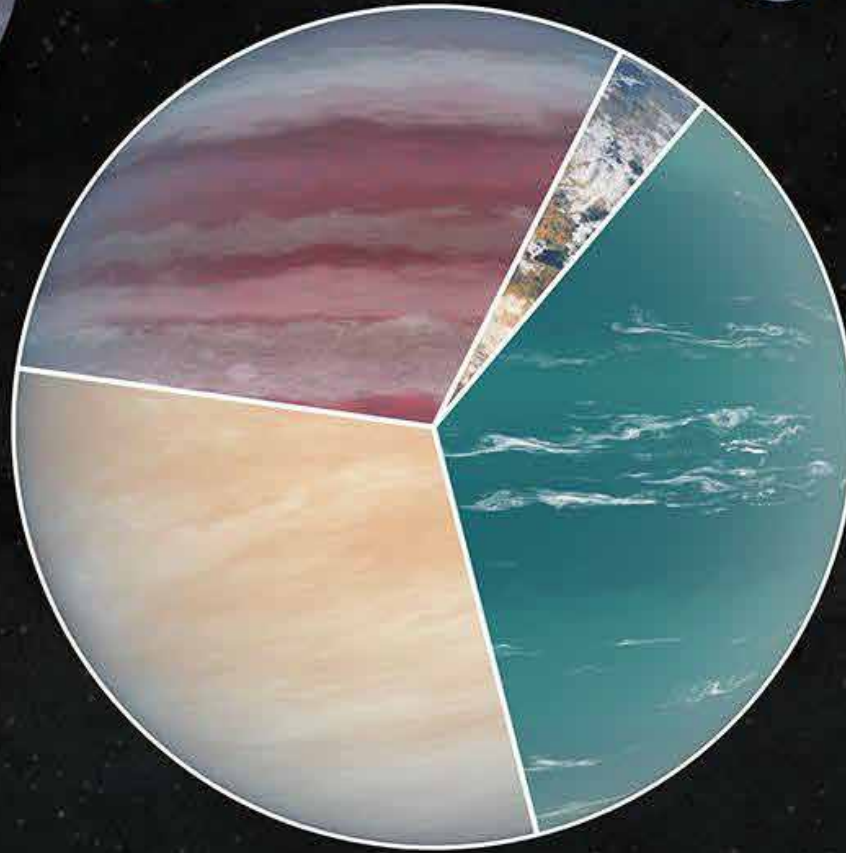


## 30% GAS GIANT

The size of Saturn or Jupiter (the largest planet in our solar system), or many times bigger. They can be hotter than some stars!

## 31% SUPER-EARTH

Planets in this size range between Earth and Neptune don't exist in our solar system. Super-Earths, a reference to larger size, might be rocky worlds like Earth, while mini-Neptunes are likely shrouded in puffy atmospheres.



## 4% TERRESTRIAL

Small, rocky planets. Around the size of our home planet, or a little smaller.

## 35% NEPTUNE-LIKE

Similar in size to Neptune and Uranus. They can be ice giants, or much warmer. "Warm" Neptunes are more rare.

# 5000+

## PLANETS FOUND

<https://exoplanets.nasa.gov>

# Importance of Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Accessibility (IDEA)



“The panel [on the State of the Profession and Societal Impacts] asserts that fundamentally, the pursuit of science, and scientific excellence, is inseparable from the humans who animate it.”

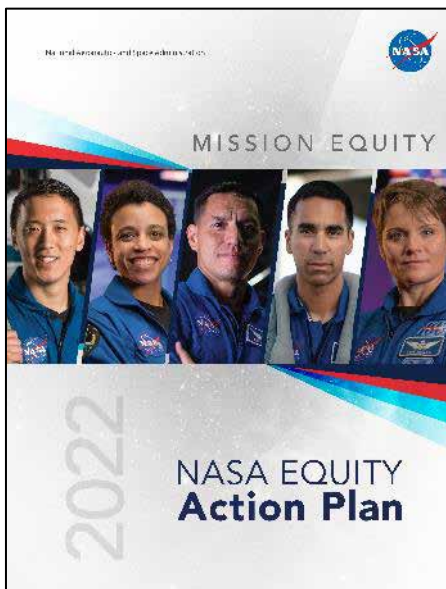
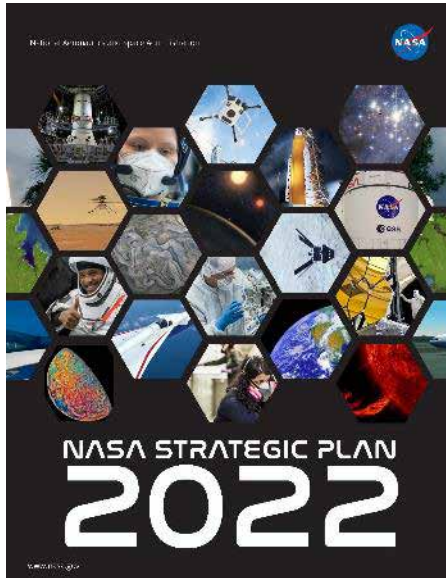
- *Pathways to Discovery in Astronomy and Astrophysics for the 2020s*

NASA is committed to integrating inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility (IDEA) into all activities (missions, programs, reviews, internal matters, etc.)

All NASA’s astrophysics programs and projects incorporate IDEA initiatives. All Decadal Survey initiatives incorporate IDEA initiatives.



# Inclusion & Diversity of Thought



Strategic Objective 4.1: Attract and develop a talented and diverse workforce. Cultivate a diverse, motivated, and highly qualified workforce through modernizing our Human Capital processes and systems, increasing our workforce agility and flexibilities, and implementing a robust Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility (IDEA) approach to ensure systematic and sustainable fairness, impartiality, and equity in our business practices.

NASA is continuing its journey towards equity. To this end, NASA has established four foundational focus areas:

- Increase Integration and Utilization of Contractors and Businesses from Underserved Communities to Expand Equity in NASA's Procurement Process
- Enhance Grants and Cooperative Agreements to Advance Opportunities, Access, and Representation for Underserved Communities
- Leverage Earth Science and Socioeconomic Data to Help Mitigate Environmental Challenges in Underserved Communities
- Advance External Civil Rights Compliance and Expand Access to Limited English Proficient (LEP) Populations within Underserved Communities

# Building Excellent NASA Teams Requires Inclusion and Diversity



\* Responsive to an Astro2020 Decadal Survey recommendation

- IDEA is infused throughout everything we do. It is not a standalone or separate activity.
- Working on several new initiatives based on Astro2020 Decadal Survey recommendations – embargoed as this is a budgeting activity for FY24 \*
- Astrophysics has pioneered and piloted IDEA activities that are now adopted across SMD:
  1. Inclusion Plans adopted in ROSES elements across all SMD divisions \*
  2. Code of Conduct now adopted for panel reviews across all SMD divisions
  3. Dual Anonymous Peer Reviews adopted across all SMD divisions
  4. Inclusion Criteria in Senior Reviews of Missions adopted across all SMD divisions \*
  5. Increasing diversity of reviewers for all panels expected across all SMD divisions
- Other SMD level initiatives:
  7. Collection, evaluation, and publication of demographics of ROSES proposers and awardees \*
  8. Regularly report data on proposal submissions and success rates \*
  9. SMD Bridge Program funded for better engagement with MSIs \*
  10. [National Academies study](#) of barriers to inclusion in mission leadership
  11. Regular participation at meetings such as SACNAS and NSBP
  12. PI Launchpad to incubate next generation of diverse leaders for missions \*
  13. IDEA criteria being added to Announcements of Opportunity \*



# James Webb Space Telescope Commissioning Status





# Commissioning Timeline

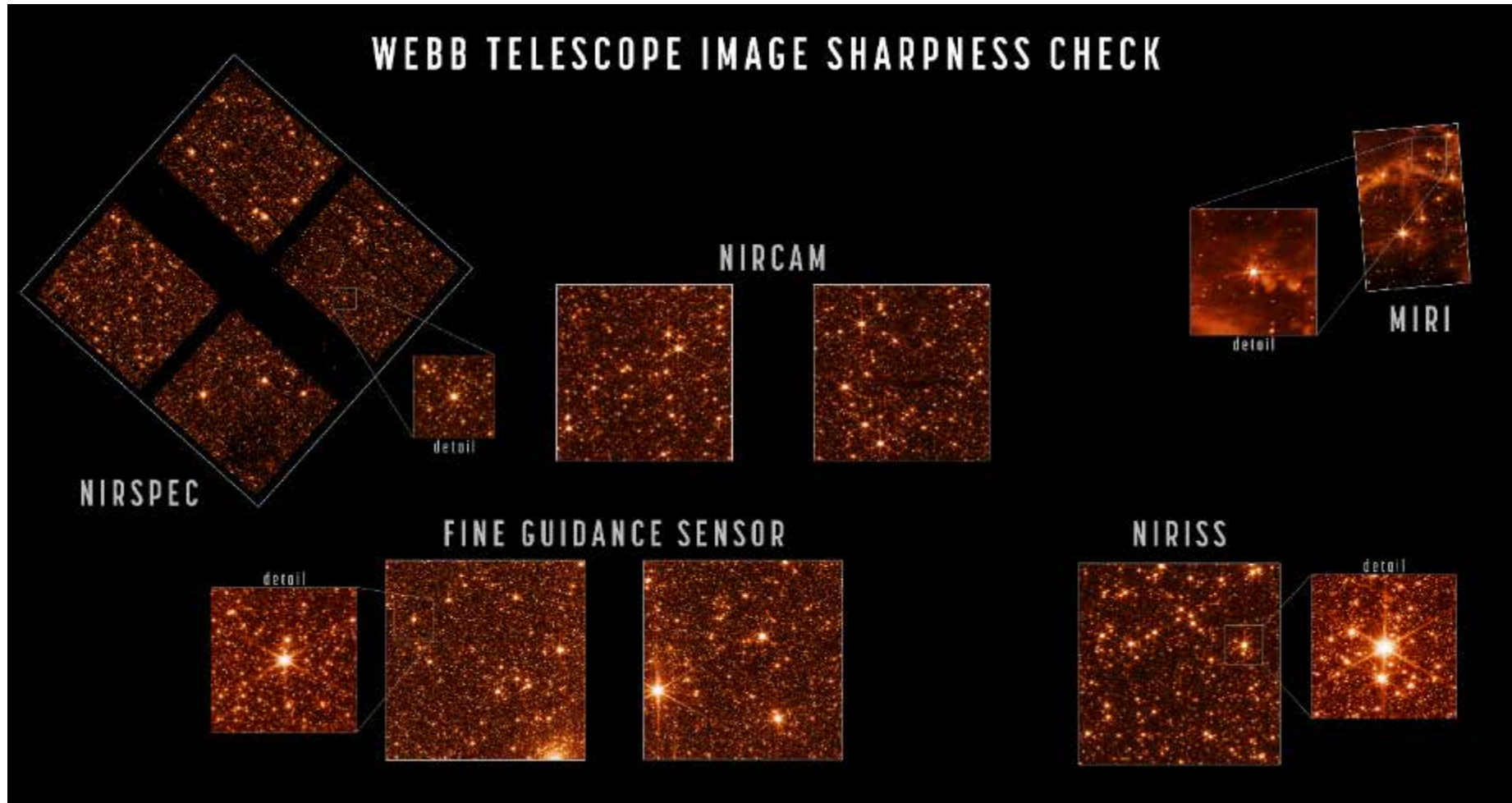
The CAST” lays out each step of JWST commissioning.  
(CAST = Commissioning Activity Sequence Timeline)  
There are 730 high-level steps in the timeline.

These are broken down into:

- ~2800 steps for deployments and spacecraft ✓
- ~5400 steps for the telescope ✓
- ~1500 steps for the science instruments

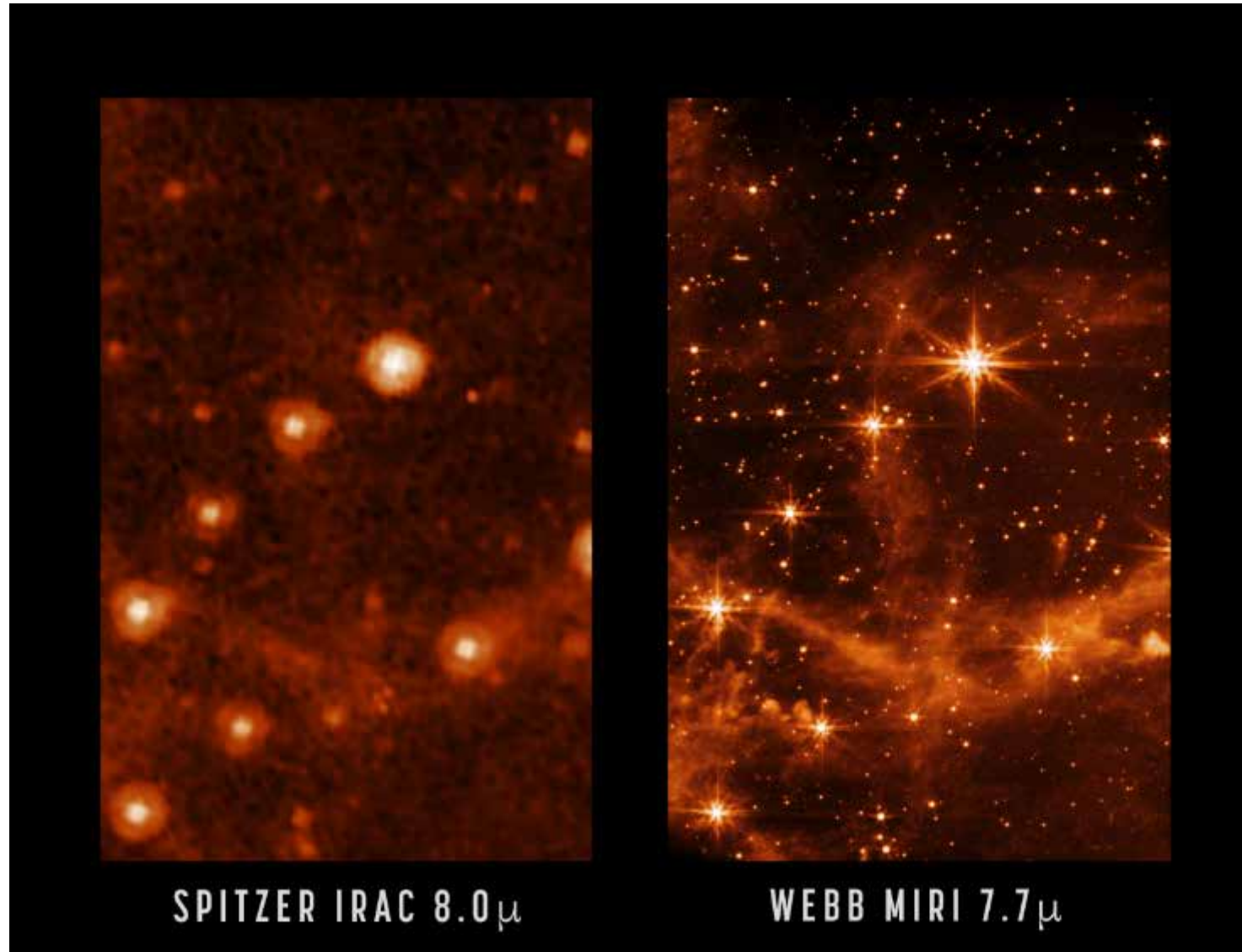


# Webb In Full Focus



NIRCam (2 micron), NIRSpec (1.1 micron), NIRISS (1.5 micron), and MIRI (7.7 micron)

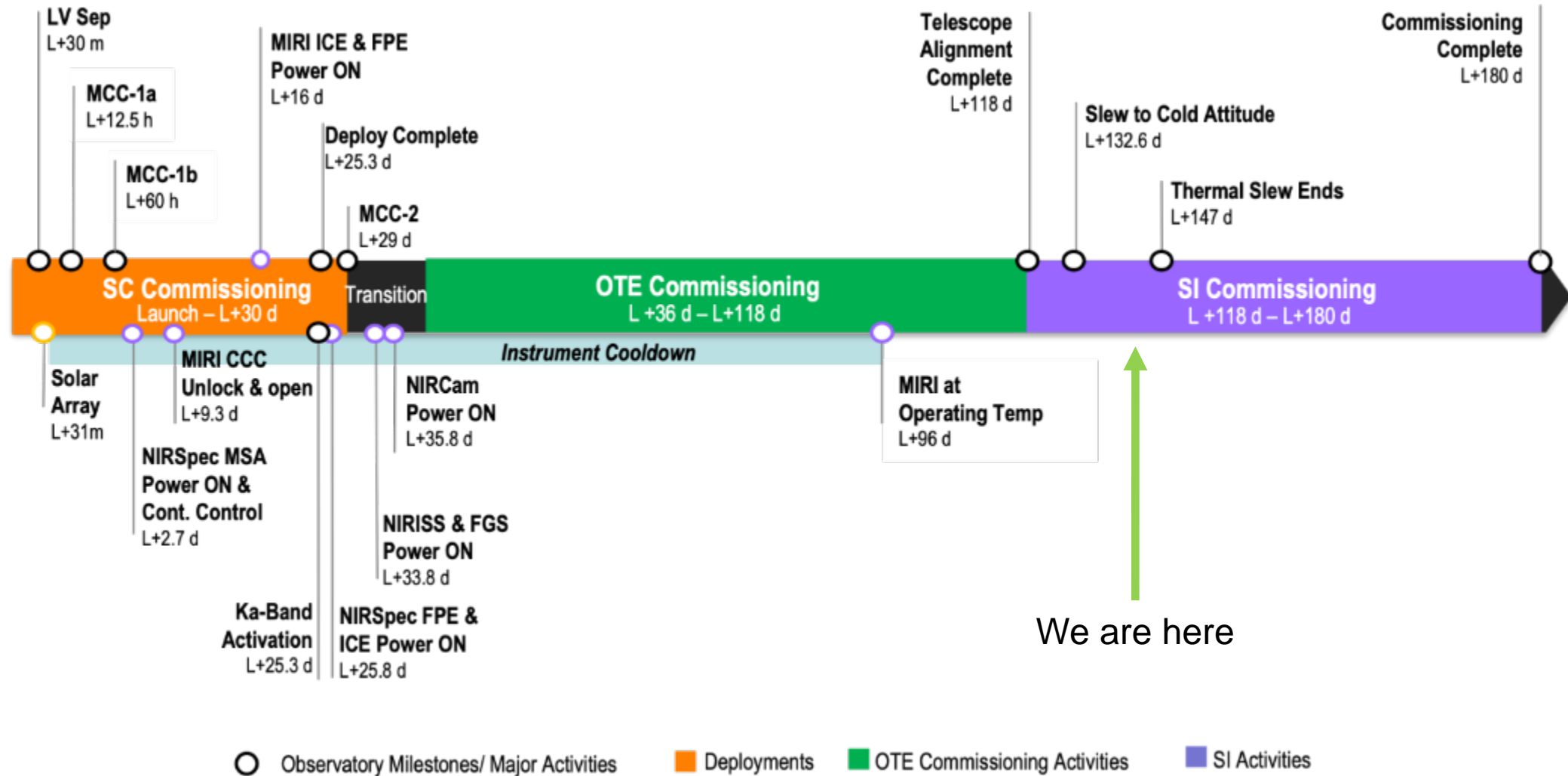
# Improvements in the Mid-Infrared



*Credit: NASA/JPL- Caltech (left), NASA/ESA/CSA/STScI (right)*



# Commissioning Status



# JWST Cycle 1 Long Range Plan

The Cycle 1 Long Range Plans was released to the public the week of 18-April. It is a dynamic plan that will change with execution times as run, spacecraft anomalies ToO's, etc.

LRP Cycle 1 Dates: 27-June-2023 to 2-July-2023

Category	Total Time [hrs]	Total Planned Time [hrs] (%)
GO	6090.1 <sup>1</sup>	5749.7 (94%)
GTO	3774.0 <sup>2</sup>	3667 (98%)
ERS <sup>3</sup>	529.5	529.5 (100%)
Cal	659.6	659.6 (100%)
Total	11023.2	10491.0 (95%)

<sup>1</sup>Includes 200.5 hrs of ToO's which do not get planned until activation

<sup>2</sup>Includes 5.2 hrs of ToO's which do not get planned until activation

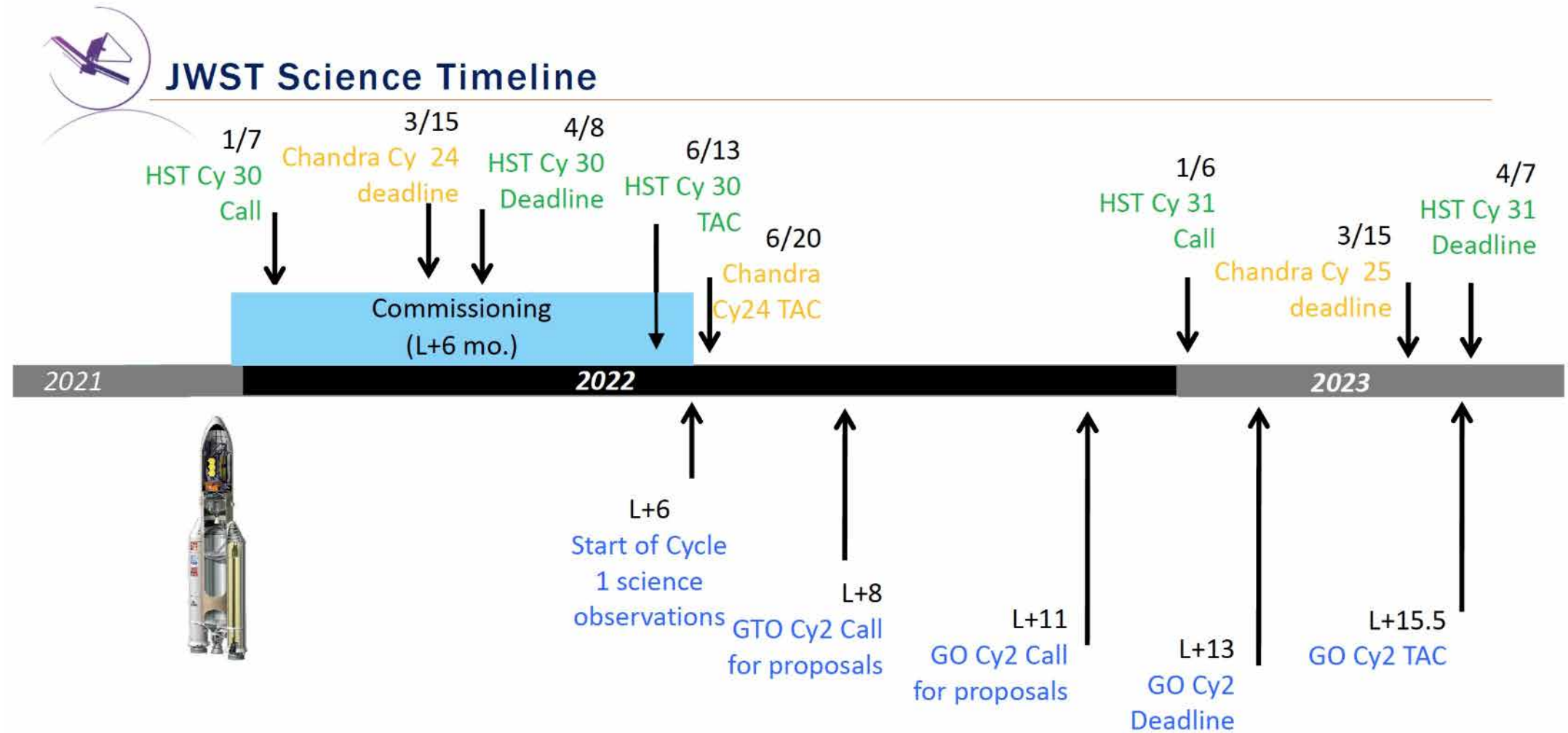
<sup>3</sup>Bulk of ERS programs are schedule in the first 5 months of Cycle 1

<https://www.stsci.edu/contents/news/jwst/2022/schedule-for-cycle-1-science-operations-released>

Data courtesy N. Reid, STScI



# Science Timeline



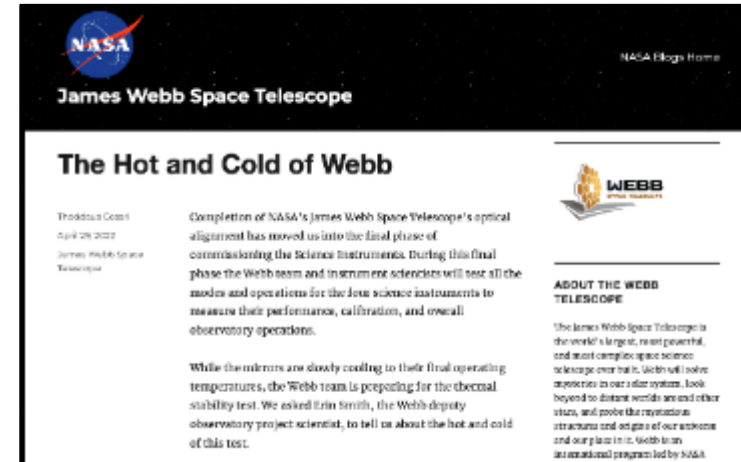
HST & Chandra dates are estimates

# JWST online



[nasa.gov/webb](https://nasa.gov/webb)

Twitter: @NASAWebb, @JWSTObserver  
Facebook: nasawebb  
YouTube: NASAWebbTelescope  
Flickr: nasawebbtelescope  
Instagram: nasawebb



Webb Blog — [blogs.nasa.gov/webb](https://blogs.nasa.gov/webb)



Where is Webb

<https://jwst.nasa.gov/content/webbLaunch/whereIsWebb.html>

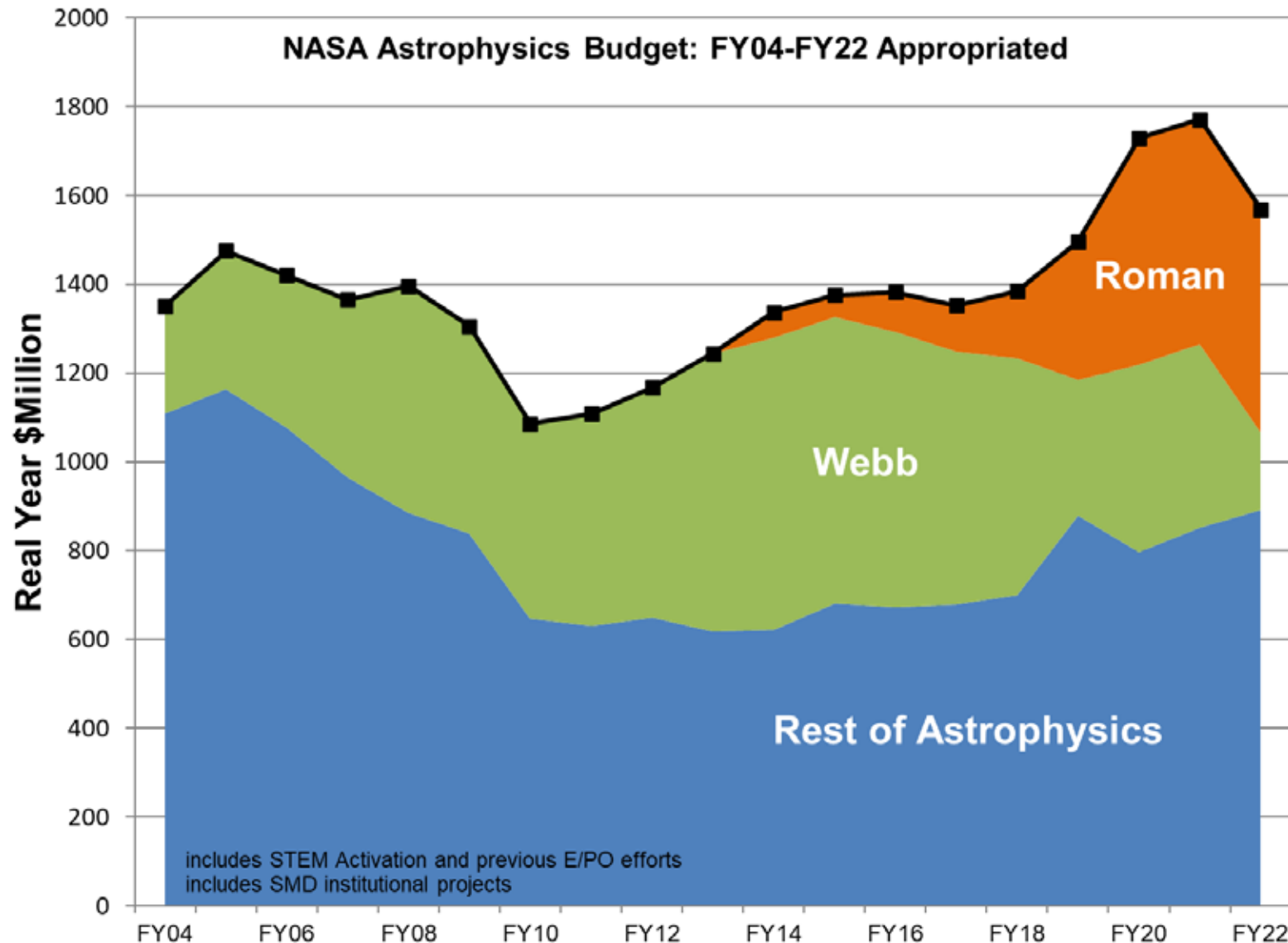




# FY23 President's Budget Request

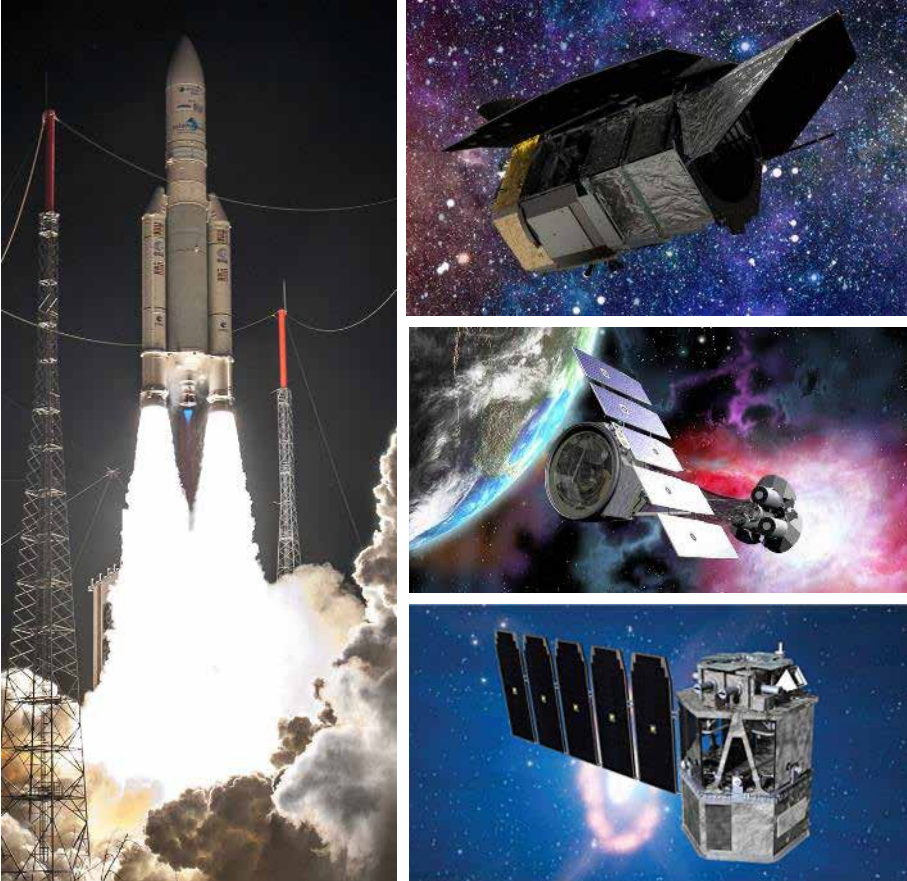


# FY22 Appropriation



- Astrophysics total (including Webb) at \$1.57B, down \$7M from the request.
- Webb and Roman appropriated at the request, \$175M and \$502M respectively.
- SOFIA appropriated at \$85M (request was zero).
- Science Activation appropriated \$51M, down \$5M from the request.
- Explanatory statement says,
  - “The agreement notes all recommendations of Astro2020.”
  - “NASA is expected to include appropriate funding for technology maturation in its fiscal year 2023 budget request to ensure continued Astrophysics mission success.”

# Recent Accomplishments



## **James Webb Space Telescope launched and successfully deployed**

- On December 25, 2021, the James Webb Space Telescope was launched from Kourou Space Center to its orbit around the Sun at Sun-Earth L2
- Commissioning is underway, all systems are functioning as expected, and science observations will begin in Summer 2022

## **Roman Space Telescope continued progress toward a 2027 launch**

- In May 2021, the Nancy Grace Roman project was replanned to accommodate the impacts of COVID-19 on the workforce and supply chain
- In September 2021, the Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope passed its critical design review (CDR) meeting all technical and programmatic commitments, and began fabrication, integration, and test

## **Astrophysics Explorers Program continued progress**

- In December 2021, the Imaging X-ray Polarimetry Explorer (IXPE), NASA's newest Astrophysics Small Explorer mission, launched into low Earth orbit
- SPHEREx, the next Astrophysics Medium Explorer mission, passed its critical design review (CDR) in December 2021
- In October 2021, NASA selected the Compton Spectrometer and Imager (COSI) as its next Astrophysics Small Explorer mission.

## **The 2020 Decadal Survey was received from the National Academies**

- The Decadal Survey recommends an ambitious and inspiring program of science and missions for the 2020s





# FY23 SMD Budget Priorities

Promote US leadership in Earth system science and addressing the climate crisis

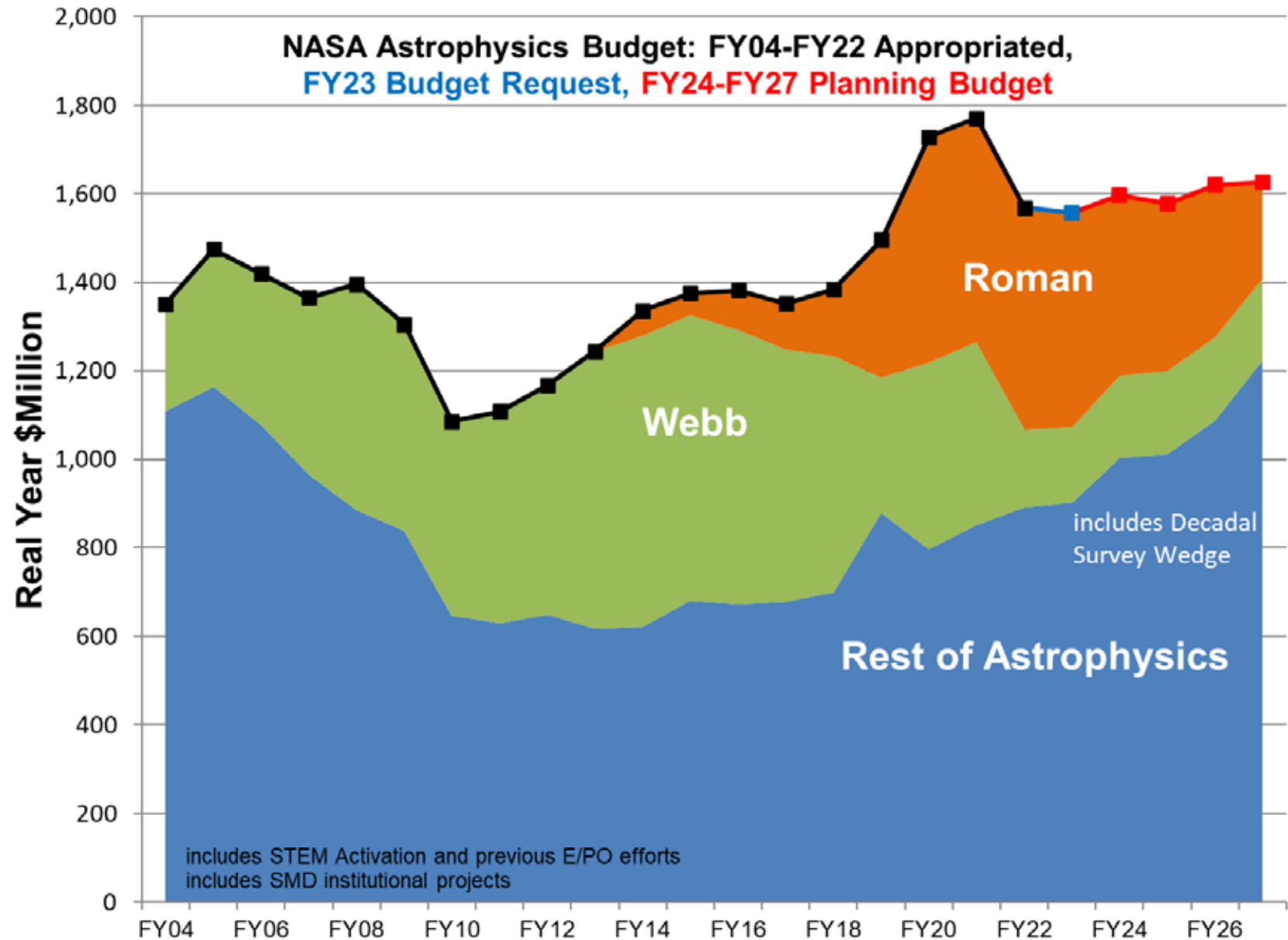
Lead Artemis Science

Champion Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Accessibility

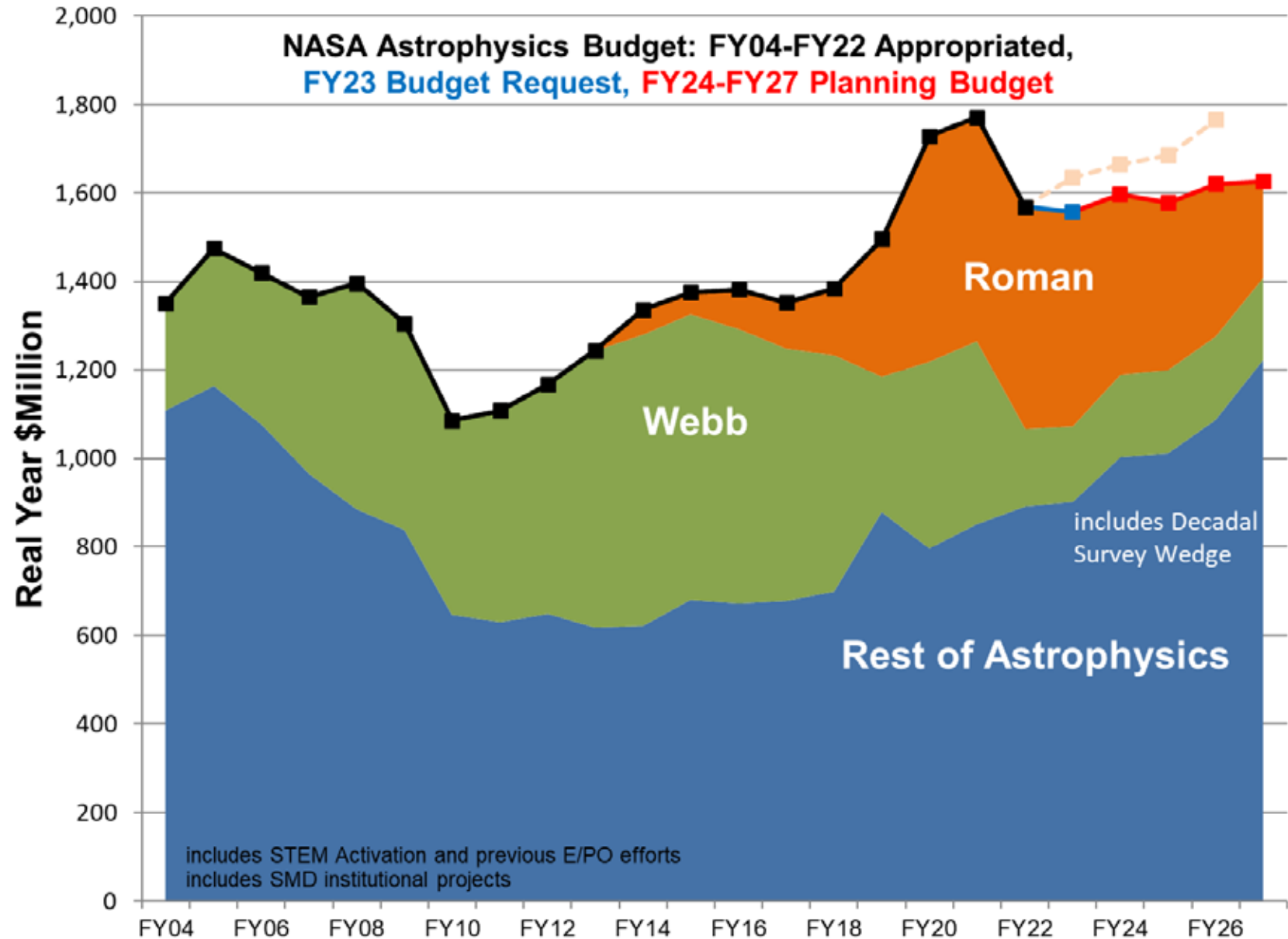
Build a balanced and innovative program driven by the highest national priorities

Advance open science for all by leveraging cutting edge data science techniques

# FY23 President's Budget Request

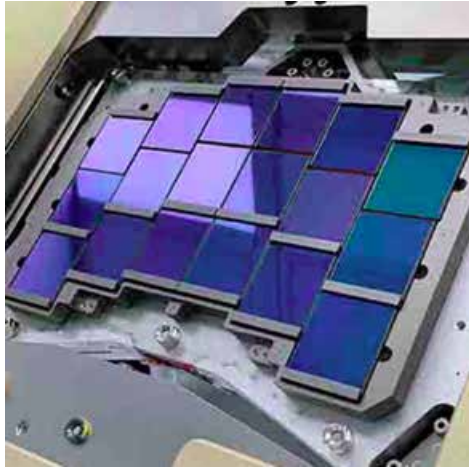


# FY23 President's Budget Request





# Astrophysics Budget Features



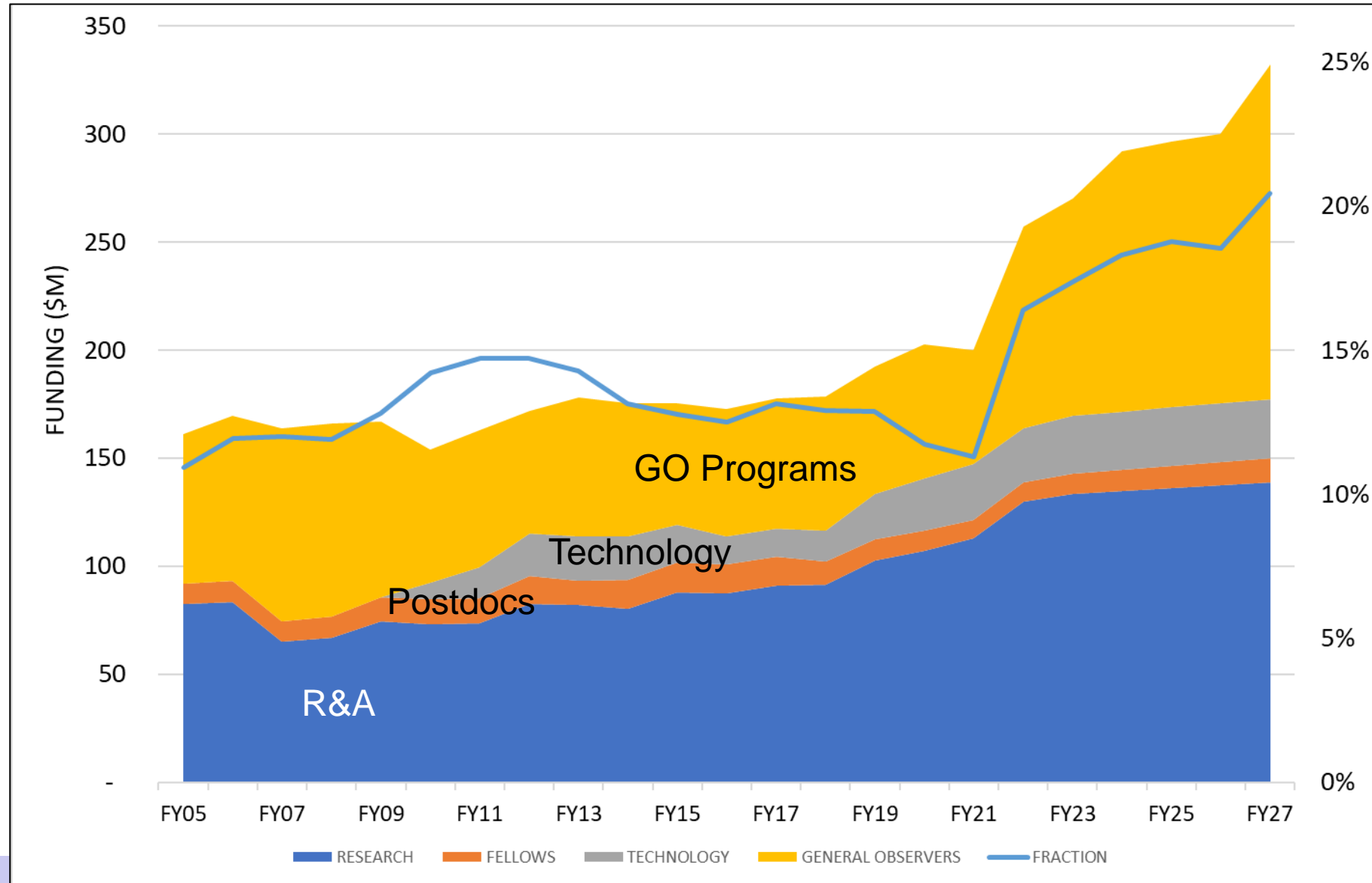
## What's Changed since FY22 budget was submitted in 2021

- Additional Webb General Observer funding
- Roman budget adjustments and 7-month delay, consistent with replan due to COVID impacts
- Additional Pioneer selections & increased Pioneers cadence
- Support Great Observatory Precursor Science and Time Domain Astrophysics infrastructure systems for Decadal Survey
- Includes bridge partnerships focused on minority serving institutions and Decadal Survey recommendations for increased inclusion
- SOFIA close out in FY23 per Decadal Survey recommendation
- Extended Phase B for COSI, delayed development for next MIDEX
- Compared to the FY 2022 Budget request, delays a future Astrophysics Probe mission; AO release delayed from January 2023

## What's the Same as the runout of the FY22 budget request

- Healthy R&A program
- Development of Astrophysics Explorers GUSTO and SPHEREx
- Development of contributions for JAXA-, ISA-, and ESA-led missions XRISM, ULTRASAT, Euclid, Ariel, Athena, and LISA
- Operating Missions, including Hubble, Chandra, Fermi, TESS, Gehrels Swift, NuSTAR, NICER, per Senior Review

# R&A Funding / Fraction of Budget





# Program Update





# NANCY GRACE R.ÖMAN SPACE TELESCOPE

NASA launch commitment date remains May 2027. Roman is fully funded in FY22 appropriation and in the FY23 President's Budget Request.

CAA is studying the balance of Astro2010 surveys vs. future surveys (as per Astro2020 recommendation); report expected in 1-2 months.

Project continues to make progress in spite of continued COVID inefficiencies at NASA, subcontractors, and partners; schedule reserves are adequate to cope with this.

Flight hardware in fabrication/testing. Focal plane array for the Wide Field Instrument is assembled; detectors for coronagraph are received. All major spacecraft procurements are made; launch vehicle procurement anticipated to be made summer 2022. Anticipate completing telescope late 2022.

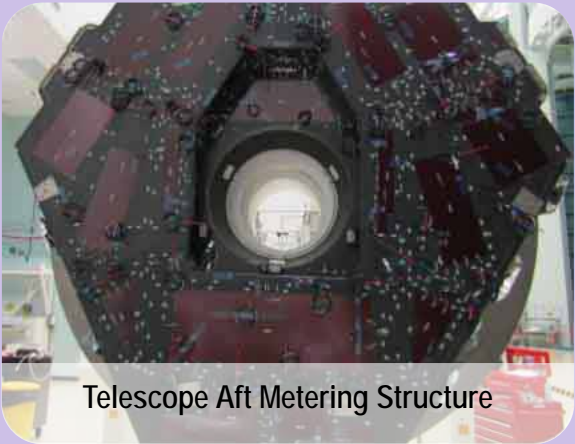
Opportunities for participation in Roman Space Telescope research and support will be offered in ROSES-2022; draft solicitation has been posted.

<https://roman.gsfc.nasa.gov/>



# NANCY GRACE ROMAN SPACE TELESCOPE

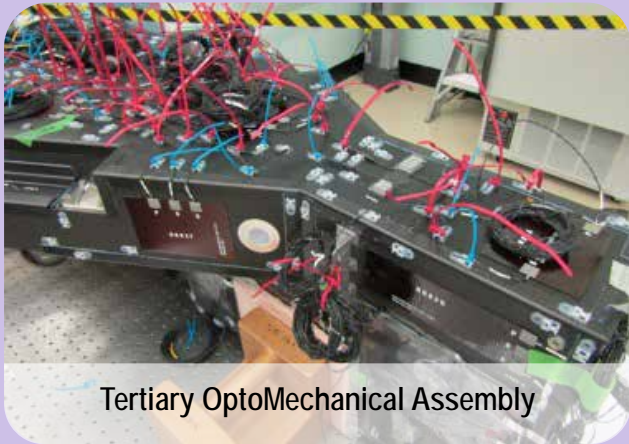
## Optical Telescope Assembly Hardware



Telescope Aft Metering Structure



Primary Mirror undergoing environmental testing



Tertiary OptoMechanical Assembly

## Wide Field Instrument Hardware

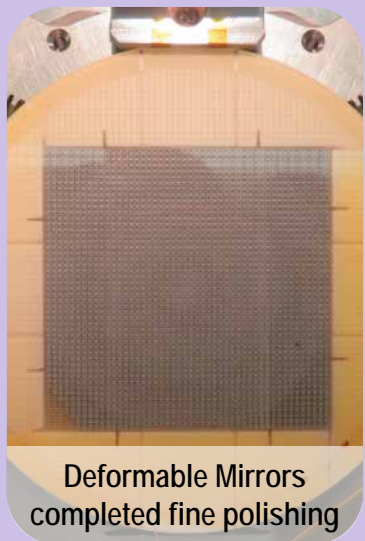


Instrument Structure readied for Vibration Testing

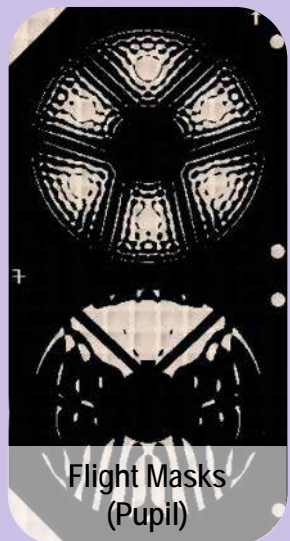


300Mpixel Focal Plane Array Flight Assembly – all 18 detectors!

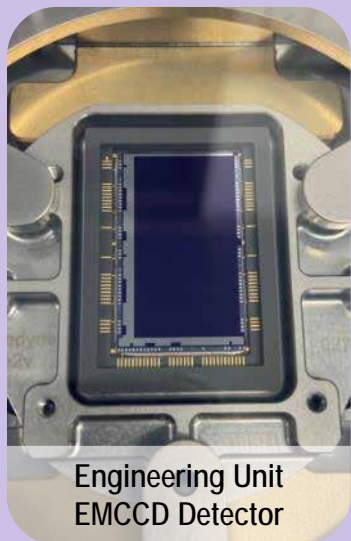
## Coronagraph Instrument Technology Demonstration Hardware



Deformable Mirrors completed fine polishing



Flight Masks (Pupil)



Engineering Unit EMCCD Detector

# Roman Proposal Opportunities

- Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope Research and Support Opportunities will be solicited as part of ROSES-2022 (deferred from ROSES-2021). Draft solicitation has been posted.
- Includes opportunities for Coronagraph community participation, Wide Field Instrument preparatory science, and key project infrastructure teams.
  - Coronagraph Community Participation Program: Investigators to work with the coronagraph instrument team to plan and execute tech demo observations
  - Wide Field Science: Investigators to work on science preparation activities related to mission performance verification and/or science operations preparation
  - Project Infrastructure Teams: Science teams to support scientific investigations using the data from the core community surveys

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Astro2020 Recommendation: NASA Astrophysics Division should hold a non-advocate review of the Roman Space Telescope's science program to set the appropriate mix of survey time devoted to the weak lensing, baryon acoustic oscillations, supernovae, and microlensing programs relative to guest investigator-led observing programs during the primary 5-year mission.

NASA has asked the Committee on Astronomy and Astrophysics (CAA) to conduct a non-advocate review of the Roman Space Telescope's science program. The National Academies appointed a CAA working group to conduct the review, and the working group held its first meeting in February 2022.





# SOFIA

The Decadal Survey therefore recommended NASA end the SOFIA mission after its current mission extension.

On April 28, NASA and DLR (the German Space Agency) jointly announced that they will conclude the SOFIA mission, after a successful eight years of science.

SOFIA will finish out its scheduled operations for the 2022 fiscal year, followed by an orderly shutdown.

During FY 2022, SOFIA will carry out a full program of science operations including multiple deployments to the southern hemisphere.

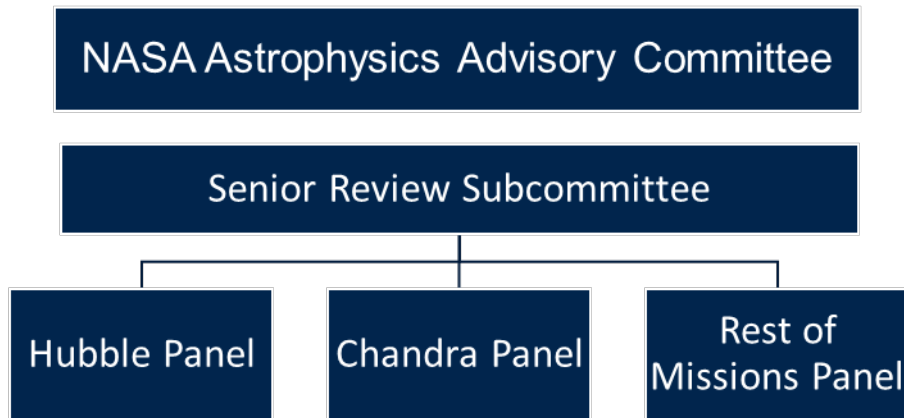
During FY 2022, SOFIA will prioritize completing legacy surveys to establish an enduring archive of data for community use. Over 80% of Cycle 9 selected investigations will be completed; some selected proposals will not get conducted due to scheduling conflicts.

Airborne Astronomy Ambassadors (AAA), the SOFIA teachers-in-flight program, will continue to operate during FY 2022.

Proposals for Cycle 10 (FY 2023) were received earlier this year; no selections will be made from the Cycle 10 proposals.

The SOFIA project has been directed to develop a project closeout plan for FY 2023.

# Senior Review Update



## Activity

Final Call for Proposals issued

Proposals due

Hubble panel meeting (virtual)

Rest-of-Missions panel (virtual)

Chandra panel meeting (virtual)

Senior Review Subcommittee meeting

Special APAC meeting

NASA Response/Direction to projects

## Date

September 30, 2021

February 11, 2022

March 15, 16, 17, 2022

March 29-April 1, 2022

April 5, 6, 7, 2022

May 4-5, 2022

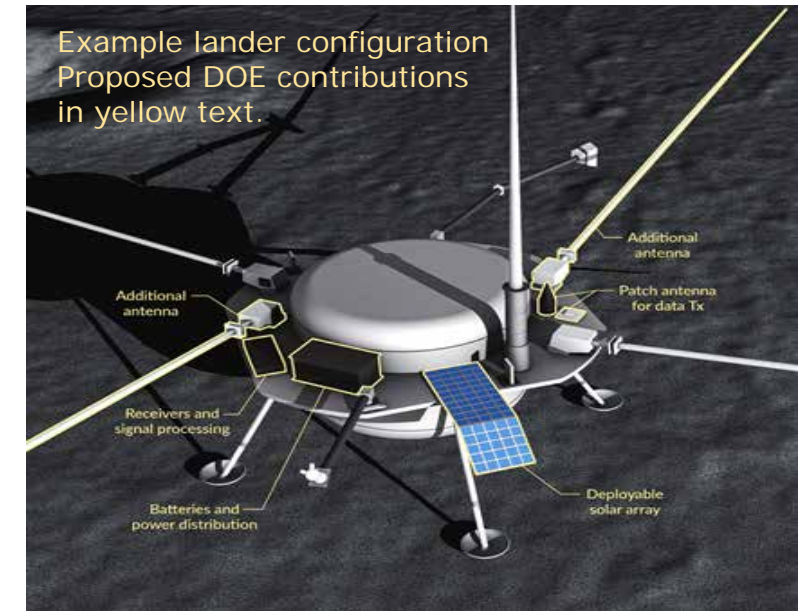
June 7, 2022

June-July 2022

# LuSEE Night

## LuSEE Night Details

<b>Lead Developer Org:</b>	<b>U. California at Berkeley</b>
<b>LuSEE Payload PI:</b>	<b>Stuart Bale</b>
<b>Payload &amp; Science Team:</b>	<b>DOE Lab under UCB/Bale</b>
<b>Lunar Landing Location:</b>	<b>Lunar Farside</b>
<b>Payload Mass:</b>	<b>90 kg (including ~50 kg batteries)</b>
<b>Launch Schedule:</b>	<b>Landing on lunar surface in Q1 CY25 to coincide with giant planets below lunar horizon</b>



## NASA/DOE Partnership

### NASA Scope

- Baseline LuSEE instrument provision
- Systems, mechanical, thermal engineering; Flight qualification; Instrument integration and testing
- Mission operations

### DOE Scope

- Added instrumentation design and development
- Leadership of DOE Scientific Team, theory studies, data planning, processing and analysis
- Night survival batteries, solar array for recharging

## Science Theme: Dark Ages Science

- Pathfinder mission to understand the moon's radio environment & potentially make the first-ever measurement of the Dark Ages
- Capability to measure the radio environment and observe the long-wavelength radio signal through the lunar night
- Place the most sensitive constraints on the Dark Ages signal to date
- Aligned with the DOE High Energy Physics "P5" Science Drivers - Cosmic Acceleration and Dark Matter - as well as the recommendation for small projects
- Astro2020 "Discovery Area" with great potential



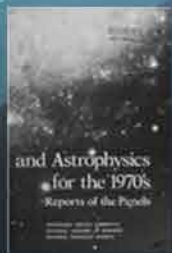


# NASA's Implementation of the 2020 Decadal Survey

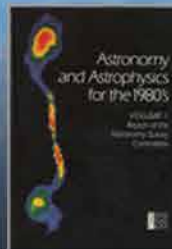


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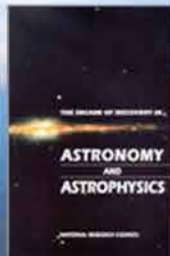
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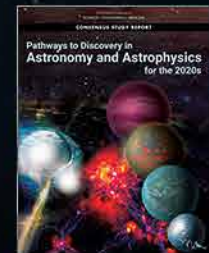
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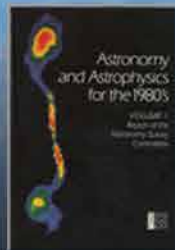


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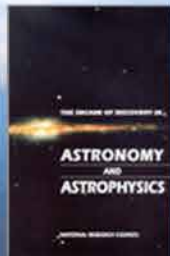
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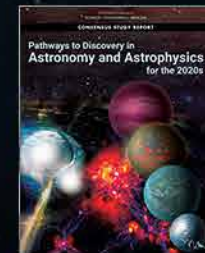
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**2021**  
Decadal  
Survey

- We are bound by the budgets that we have
- First budget that is fully informed by the Decadal Survey will be the FY24 budget proposal, which will be formulated by NASA Astrophysics in Spring 2022 and submitted to Congress in February 2023



# Recent Cost Performance

The 29 Science missions launched after establishment of the 70% JCL requirement (excluding JWST) have underrun their Phase C/D budget commitments by a net 2.3%

Total portfolio overrun is 3.7% when including JWST (assumes first baseline with JCL in 2011)

SMD continues to refine its ability to execute missions within cost commitments by implementing improved management techniques (particularly on large strategic missions) and the use of independent review boards and cost estimates

	KDP-C Dev Baseline \$M	Actual \$M	Actual vs. Baseline	
NuSTAR	109.9	116.0	6%	
Landsat 8	583.4	502.8	-14%	
IRIS	140.7	143.0	2%	
LADEE	168.2	188.2	12%	
MAVEN	567.2	472.0	-17%	
GPM	555.2	484.3	-13%	
OCO-2	249.0	320.3	29%	
SMAP	485.7	454.3	-6%	
MMS	857.3	875.3	2%	
Astro-H/Hitomi*	44.9	71.2	59%	
OSIRIS-REx	778.6	620.8	-20%	
CYGNSS	151.1	127.1	-16%	
SAGE-III*	64.6	88.2	37%	
TSIS-1*	49.8	19.8	-60%	
TESS	323.2	273.4	-15%	
InSight	541.8	635.8	17%	
GRACE-FO	264.0	238.1	-10%	
Parker	1055.7	955.7	-9%	
ICESat 2	558.8	713.2	28%	
ECOSTRESS*	42.5	36.3	-15%	
GEDI*	91.2	85.5	-6%	
OCO-3*	62.5	62.2	-1%	
ICON	196.0	205.4	5%	
SOC	376.6	275.8	-27%	
Mars 2020	1676.9	1994.5	19%	
Landsat 9	634.2	465.7	-27% <i>*est.</i>	
Lucy	622.0	565.0	-9% <i>*est.</i>	
IXPE*	163.0	156	-5%	
DART	258.3	262.4	2%	
JWST	6197.9	7117.1	15% <i>*est.</i>	
Total with JWST	17,870.0	18,525.2	3.7%	total overrun
Total w/o JWST	11,562.2	11,292.1	-2.3%	total underrun
* No JCL conducted at confirmation				

# Large Mission Study



<https://science.nasa.gov/about-us/large-mission-study>

October 2019 – October 2020

## ***SMD Large Missions Study Implementation Plan***

No.	Large Missions Study Recommendation	Disposition	Large Missions Study Implementation Plan
1	<i>Pre-Phase A Team Composition</i>	Accept	Staffing will be based on needed skill sets and expertise (not based on availability of personnel). An Agency-wide search shall be conducted, followed by a nationwide search, if needed.
2	<i>Pre-Phase A Architecture Trades and Descope Options</i>	Accept	Program Office will conduct independent assessment of Pre-Phase A architecture trades and descope options for evaluation at KDP-A. Implementation effective immediately.
3	<i>System Maturity Assessment</i>	Accept w/Follow-Up	Further action is required. A team, sponsored by the SMD DAA/P and led by the SMD Chief Engineer, will be formed for further investigation.
4	<i>Technology Integration into Complex Systems</i>	Partially Accept	Mandate increased scrutiny of technology maturity at reviews and KDPs. Implementation effective immediately. Further action is required - A strategic approach will be developed by the SMD Chief Technologist to identify technology needs and funding sources for technology development.
5	<i>Analytical Tools</i>	Partially Accept	Large strategic missions will incorporate common tool sets, when possible, and establish an agreed margin and risk philosophy with partners and providers early in the life cycle.
6	<i>Cost and Schedule Estimation</i>	Accept	Life cycle cost estimates shall be communicated in terms of bins for Pre-Phase A and ranges for Phases A and B to set external expectations. Implementation effective immediately.
7	<i>Standing Review Boards (SRBs)</i>	Accept	The SMD policy of convening the SRBs prior to MCR, and when required, convening of the Independent Review Boards (IRBs), has already been implemented. Initiating SRB kickoff meetings.
8	<i>Instrument Selection Process</i>	Partially Accept w/Follow-Up	Further action is required. A team led by the SMD Deputy AA for Research will be established. Modification of SMD policy may be required.
9	<i>SMD Capabilities</i>	Accept	Program Offices of large missions will be adequately staffed early in pre-formulation in order to perform programmatic assessments and oversight. Implementation effective immediately.
10	<i>Center Capabilities</i>	Accept	SMD and Centers have ownership and accountability of large strategic missions and will work closely to identify and solve problems. Implementation effective immediately.

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# Large Mission Study



<https://science.nasa.gov/about-us/large-mission-study>

October 2019 – October 2020

## SMD Large Missions Study Implementation Plan

No.	Large Missions Study Recommendation	Disposition	Large Missions Study Implementation Plan
1	Pre-Phase A Team Composition	Accept	Staffing will be based on needed skill sets and expertise (not based on availability of personnel). An Agency-wide search shall be conducted, followed by a nationwide search, if needed.
2	Pre-Phase A Architecture Trades and Descope Options	Accept	Program Office will conduct independent assessment of Pre-Phase A architecture trades and descope options for evaluation at KDP-A. Implementation effective immediately.
3	System Maturity Assessment	Accept w/Follow-Up	Further action is required. A team, sponsored by the SMD DAA/P and led by the SMD Chief Engineer, will be formed for further investigation.
4	Technology Integration into Complex Systems	Partially Accept	Mandate increased scrutiny of technology maturity at reviews and KDPs. Implementation effective immediately. Further action is required - A strategic approach will be developed by the SMD Chief Technologist to identify technology needs and funding sources for technology development.
5	Analytical Tools	Partially Accept	Large strategic missions will incorporate common tool sets, when possible, and establish an agreed margin and risk philosophy with partners and providers early in the life cycle.
6	Cost and Schedule Estimation	Accept	Life cycle cost estimates shall be communicated in terms of bins for Pre-Phase A and ranges for Phases A and B to set external expectations. Implementation effective immediately.
7	Standing Review Boards (SRBs)	Accept	The SMD policy of convening the SRBs prior to MCR, and when required, convening of the Independent Review Boards (IRBs), has already been implemented. Initiating SRB kickoff meetings.
8	Instrument Selection Process	Partially Accept w/Follow-Up	Further action is required. A team led by the SMD Deputy AA for Research will be established. Modification of SMD policy may be required.
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Astro2020 recommendations for the Great Observatories Mission and Technology Maturation Program (aka GOMAP)





# Future Great Observatories

Large observatories are a critical component of NASA's astrophysics portfolio

- The Decadal Survey recommends a compelling, feasible, timely portfolio of future great observatories that is part of a balanced Astrophysics program

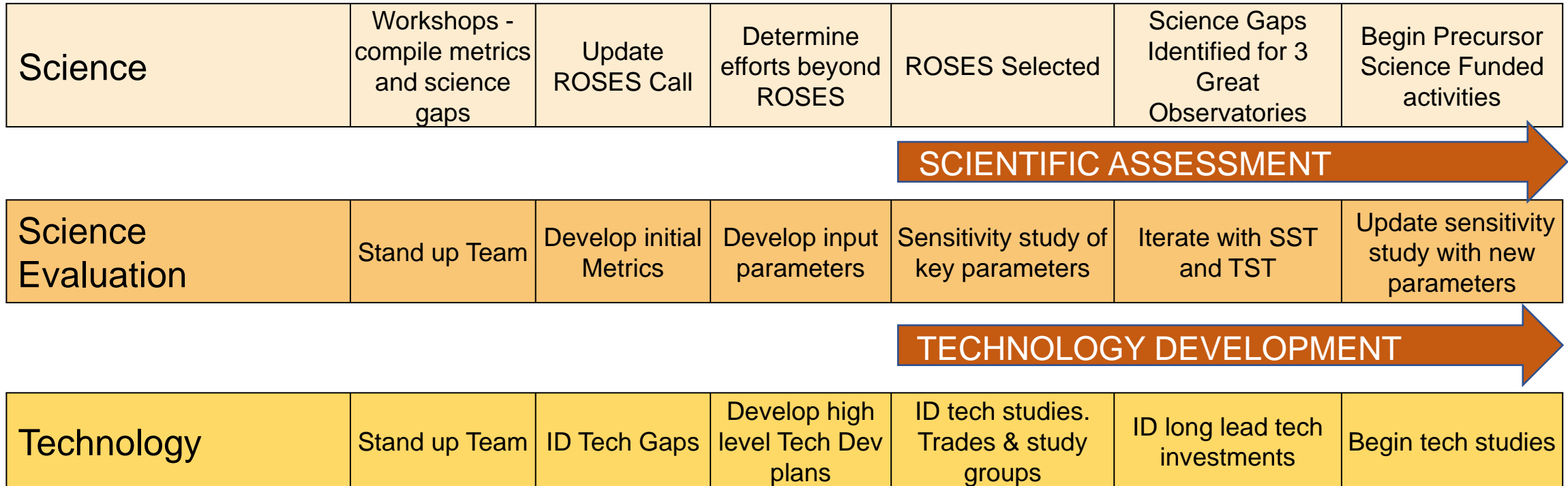
Today NASA's priority is ensuring mission success for Webb and Roman

- Webb completed telescope commissioning; science instrument commissioning is progressing well; preparations are underway for science to commence in July 2022.
- Roman is progressing well in Mission Phase C "Final Design and Fabrication" and is on track for a mid-2027 launch (7 month delay due to COVID)

Now is not the time to start a Future Great Observatory; now is the time to prepare  
NASA will take a deliberate, multi-stage planning and strategy approach to the next large observatory mission

- Stage 1 – Begin the Decadal Survey recommended "Great Observatories Maturation Program". Focus on enabling science and technology; begin Stage 1 now
- Stage 2 – Conduct Analysis of Alternatives (AoA) and science / technology / architecture trades; begin Stage 2 in a few years (driven by planning and budget availability)
- Stage 3 – Pre-formulation and decision to start the next Great Observatory; begin after Stage 2 AoA complete (Decadal Survey estimates 6 years for Stages 2 and 3)

## STAGE 1 ACTIVITIES



Note: This is not a timeline; some activities within each lane occur in parallel  
 There is cross-communication and cross-participation between activities in different rows  
 ROSES call for precursor science investigations anticipated for January 2023

# Next Steps for Stage 1

Community Participation via

## Technology

- Update Gap lists: present at **June** AAS PAG meetings
- SAT proposals due **Dec 15**
- A TST will begin technology activities in CY22; numerous community Task Groups are expected to be stood up to ohelp in CY23.
- Community technology workshop(s) in **CY 2023**



# Time Domain & Multi-Messenger Initiative

## Operating Missions

Hubble  
Chandra  
Gehrels Swift  
Fermi  
CALET (w/ JAXA)  
AMS (DOE mission)  
NICER  
TESS

## Missions in Development

BurstCube (cubesat)  
BlackCat (cubesat)  
PUEO (balloon payload)  
StarBurst (Pioneer)  
ULTRASAT (w/ ISA)  
COSI (SMEX)  
Roman

## Future Missions under study or being proposed

THESEUS (w/ ESA)  
Proposed CubeSat  
Proposed Pioneer  
Proposed Mission of Opportunity  
Proposed MIDEX  
Future Probe



# Time Domain & Multi-Messenger Initiative

Actions are being developed to address Time Domain Astrophysics and Multi Messenger (TDAMM) recommendations of the 2020 Decadal Survey

- Operating NASA missions continue to make significant contributions to TDAMM and NASA expects future missions to pursue this science:
  - NASA plans investments in infrastructure – transient alerts, data archives, communications, software – which are essential to maximize scientific return; funding for these investments is included in the FY23 budget request.
  - Responding to transient astrophysical phenomena involves multiple ground- and space-based assets and NASA is studying efficiencies in how to deploy its fleet
  - Astro 2020 urges TDAMM be addressed across agencies and NASA is standing up interagency and international working groups to address this coordination
- TDAMM will be an initiative with extensive interagency and international cooperation, shaped using broad community input
  - Prioritizing the science NASA should address. Community workshop this 22-24 August 2022: <https://pcos.gsfc.nasa.gov/TDAMM/>
  - Partner-led TDAMM missions with NASA contributions
  - NASA missions with international partner contributions



# Big Finish







# What's next for Astrophysics?

Paul Hertz will be stepping down this summer after more than 10 years as Director of Astrophysics (the best job at NASA)

Hertz is the longest serving Director of Astrophysics in the history of NASA

Once the new Director of Astrophysics is in place, Hertz will move to the SMD Front Office as Senior Advisor to the SMD Associate Administrator

Who will lead NASA astrophysics in the upcoming era of increasing inclusion and diversity, growing R&A, Webb science, Roman development, exoplanet characterization, time domain and multi-messenger astrophysics, dark energy and dark matter, first Astrophysics Probe, more Explorers / Pioneers / cubesats, future great observatories, and realizing Decadal Survey priorities?

The application period closed on March 21, 2022



# ASTROPHYSICS FLEET

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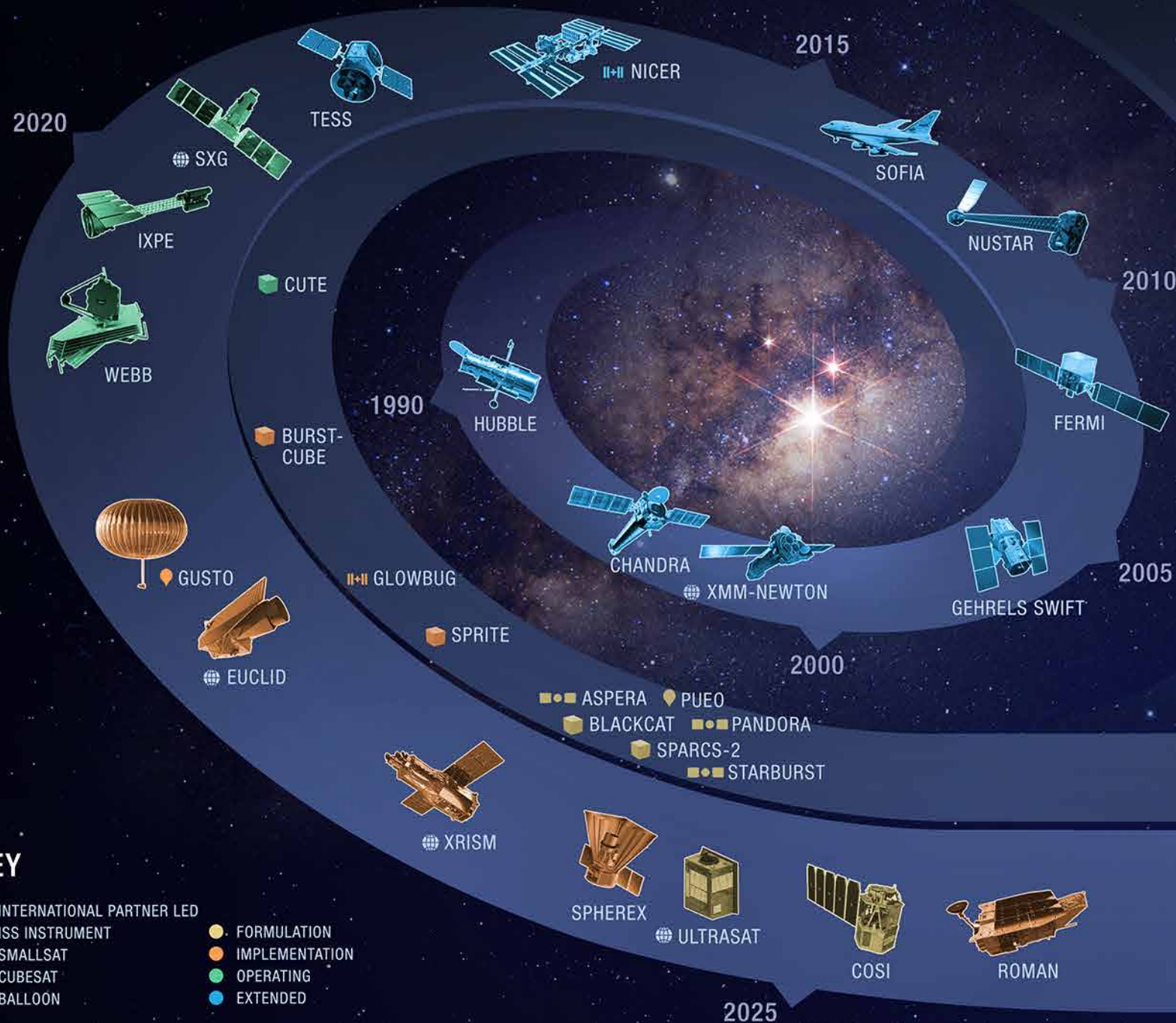
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## VERY SMALL MISSIONS

## TRADITIONAL MISSIONS

### KEY

- INTERNATIONAL PARTNER LED
- ISS INSTRUMENT
- SMALLSAT
- CUBESAT
- BALLOON
- FORMULATION
- IMPLEMENTATION
- OPERATING
- EXTENDED





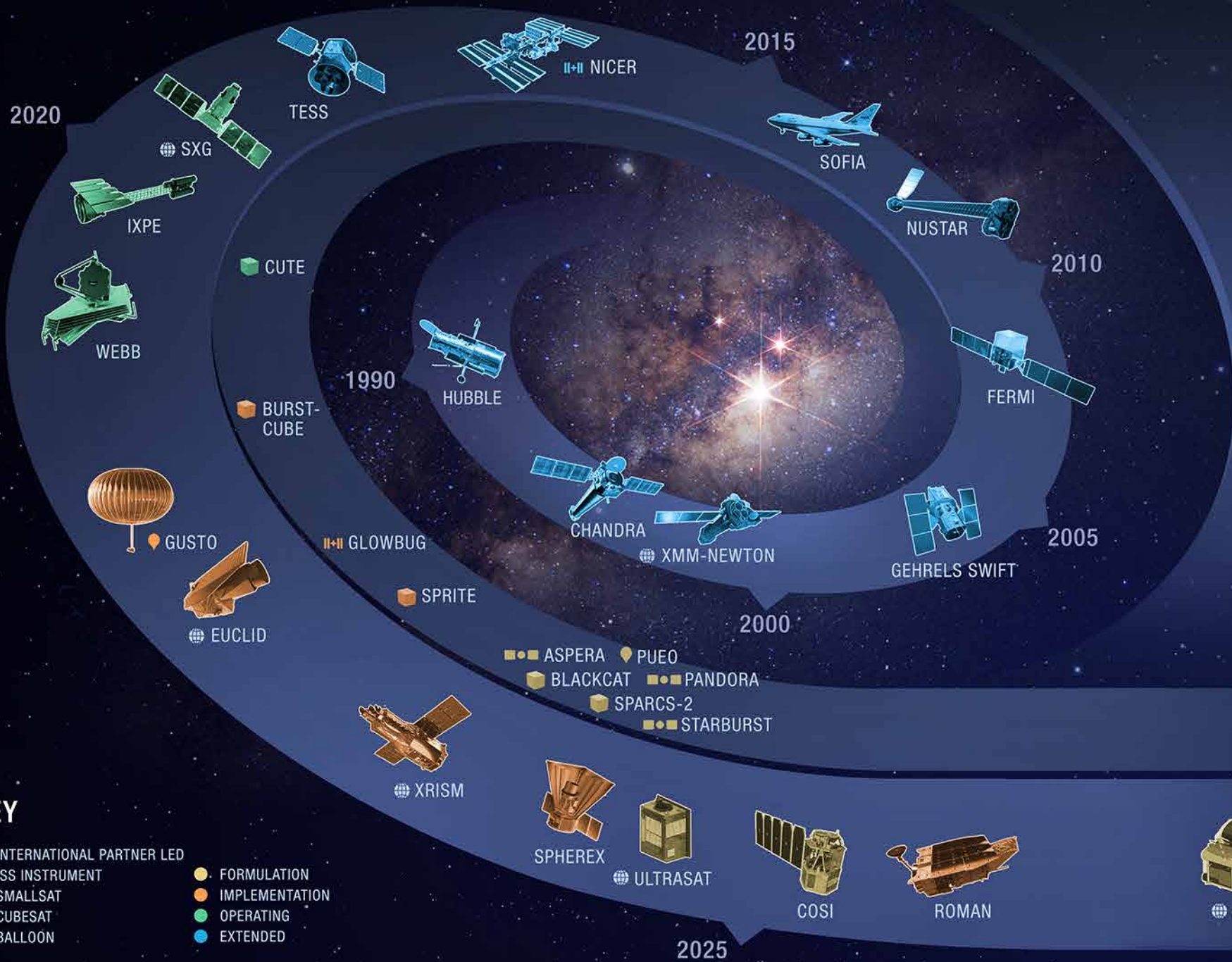


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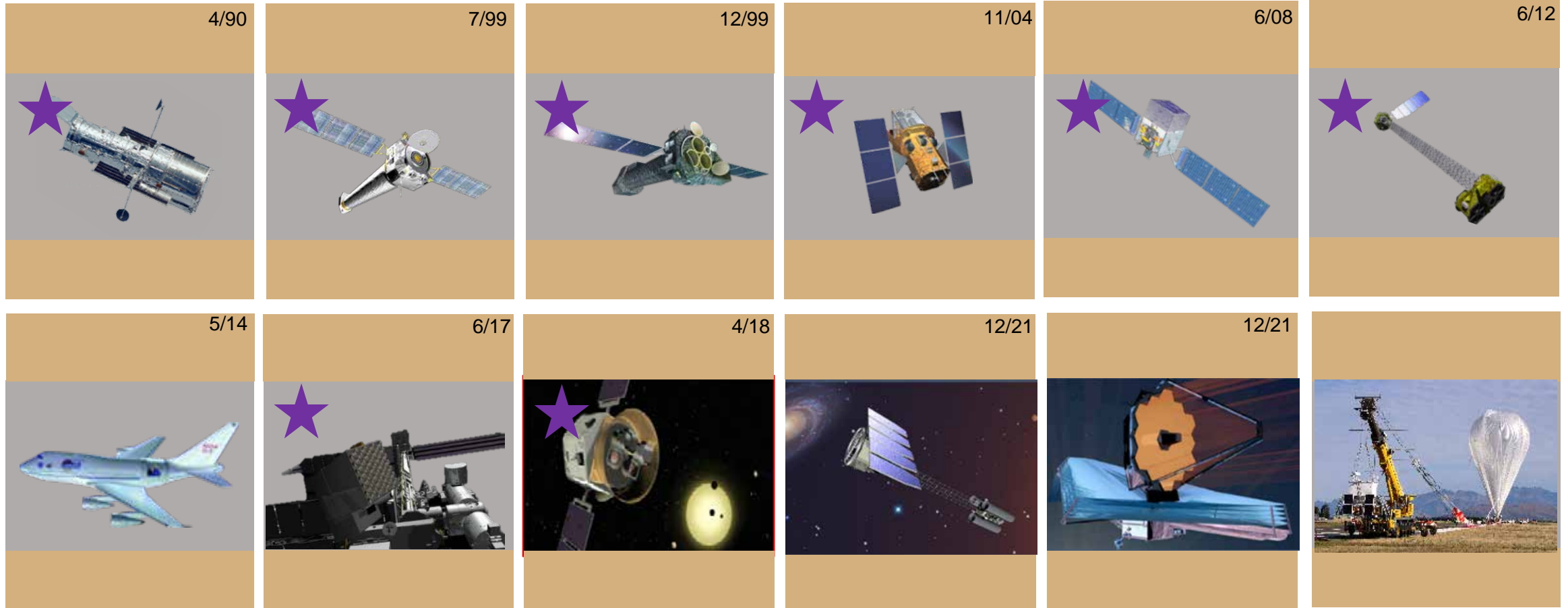




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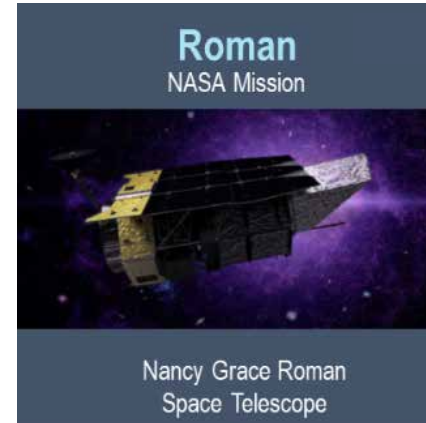
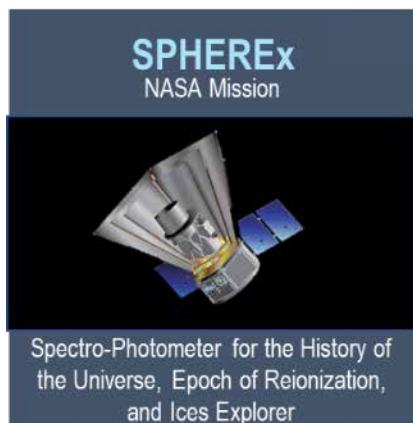
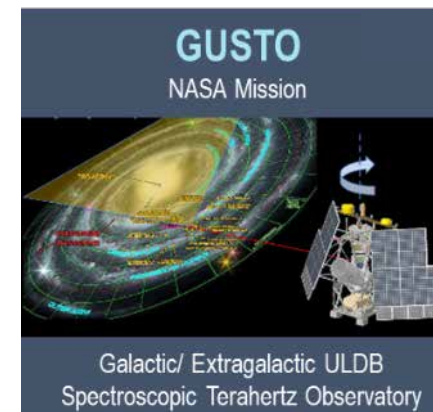
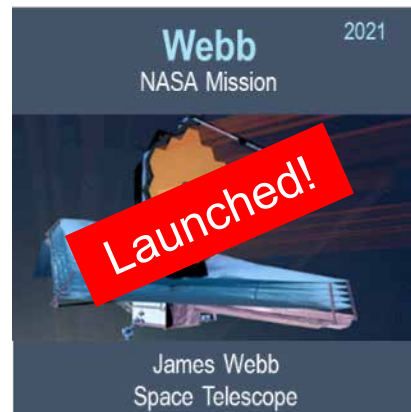


# Astrophysics Missions in Operations



★ Senior Review of Operating Missions in Spring 2022

# Astrophysics Missions in Development

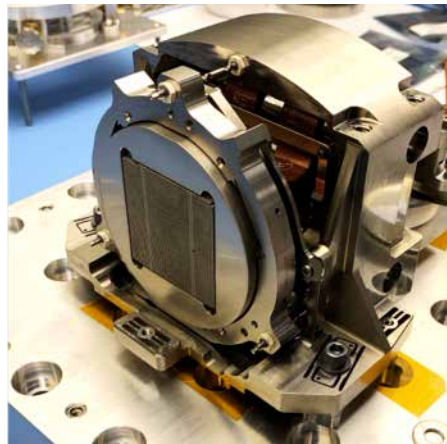
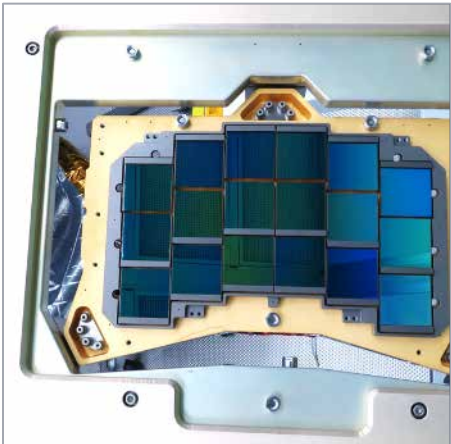
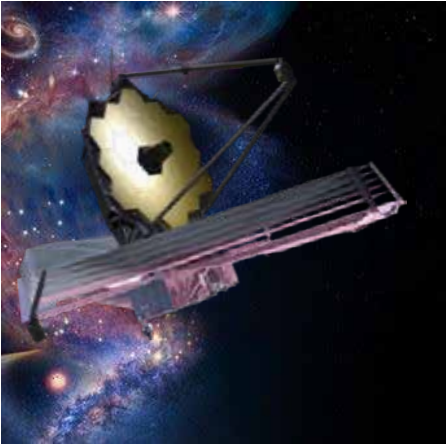


Launch dates are current project working dates through XRISM; Agency Baseline Commitment launch date could be later

Does not include Pioneers or CubeSats



# Planned Milestones FY22-23



- Initiate Webb Telescope science in FY 2022
- Conduct Senior Review of Operating Missions in FY 2022
- Select MDEX missions for competitive Phase A studies in FY 2022
- Conduct sounding rocket campaign in Australia in FY 2022
- Conduct four scientific balloon campaigns in FY 2022 and four campaigns in FY 2023
- Select Webb Cycle 2 science observations in FY 2023
- Complete integration and test of the Roman Space Telescope's coronagraph technology demonstration instrument in FY 2023
- Initiate precursor science program to advance Astrophysics Decadal Survey priorities in FY 2023
- Participate in launch of JAXA's XRISM mission and ESA's Euclid mission in FY 2023

# Astrophysics Science Program Content (\$M)

Program Content (\$M)	Actual	Enacted	Request	Out-Years			
	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Astrophysics	\$1,770.9	\$1,568.9	\$1,556.0	\$1,597.0	\$1,578.5	\$1,620.5	\$1,625.6
Astrophysics Research	\$249.3		\$329.8	\$350.8	\$345.5	\$348.4	\$350.1
Astrophysics Research and Analysis	\$91.1		\$111.0	\$113.0	\$114.1	\$115.2	\$116.4
Balloon Project	\$44.8		\$45.7	\$46.3	\$46.3	\$46.3	\$46.3
Science Activation	\$45.6		\$55.6	\$55.6	\$55.6	\$55.6	\$55.6
Other Missions and Data Analysis (research and management)	\$67.8		\$117.6	\$135.9	\$129.5	\$131.2	\$131.9
Astrophysics Directed R&T	\$0.0		\$0.0	\$9.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Contract Administration, Audit & QA Svcs	\$17.7		\$17.3	\$19.6	\$19.6	\$19.6	\$19.6
Astrophysics Senior Review	\$0.0		\$48.3	\$52.5	\$53.1	\$53.7	\$54.1
Astrophysics Data Program	\$21.6		\$23.6	\$23.8	\$24.0	\$24.3	\$24.5
Astrophysics Data Curation and Archival	\$28.5		\$28.4	\$31.0	\$32.7	\$33.7	\$33.7
Cosmic Origins	\$618.5		\$298.5	\$316.5	\$316.3	\$316.6	\$316.6
James Webb Space Telescope	\$414.7		\$172.5	\$187.0	\$187.0	\$187.0	\$187.0
Webb Science	\$1.2		\$51.0	\$60.0	\$60.0	\$60.0	\$60.0
James Webb Space Telescope	\$413.5		\$121.5	\$127.0	\$127.0	\$127.0	\$127.0
Hubble Space Telescope (HST)	\$93.3		\$93.3	\$98.3	\$98.3	\$98.3	\$98.3
Other Missions and Data Analysis	\$110.5		\$32.7	\$31.2	\$31.0	\$31.3	\$31.3

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<u>Cosmic Origins</u>	<u>\$618.5</u>		<u>\$298.5</u>	<u>\$316.5</u>	<u>\$316.3</u>	<u>\$316.6</u>	<u>\$316.6</u>
<i>(development/formulation/technology)</i>							
Cosmic Origins SR&T	\$18.3		\$13.9	\$21.4	\$21.4	\$21.4	\$21.4
Cosmic Origins Future Missions	\$1.2		\$2.1	\$3.0	\$3.0	\$3.0	\$3.0
<i>(operating)</i>							
Stratospheric Observ for Infrared Astron	\$85.2		\$10.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
<i>(research and management)</i>							
Astrophysics Strategic Mission Prog Mgmt	\$5.8		\$6.8	\$6.9	\$6.7	\$6.9	\$7.0
<u>Physics of the Cosmos</u>	<u>\$146.4</u>		<u>\$159.9</u>	<u>\$188.1</u>	<u>\$182.4</u>	<u>\$182.2</u>	<u>\$177.6</u>
<i>Other Missions and Data Analysis</i>	<i>\$146.4</i>		<i>\$159.9</i>	<i>\$188.1</i>	<i>\$182.4</i>	<i>\$182.2</i>	<i>\$177.6</i>
<i>(development/formulation/technology)</i>							
Physics of the Cosmos SR&T	\$45.6		\$75.2	\$101.1	\$98.6	\$98.4	\$94.1
Euclid	\$7.7		\$9.9	\$10.3	\$9.9	\$9.7	\$9.1
Physics of the Cosmos Future Missions	\$0.1		\$1.3	\$3.0	\$3.0	\$3.0	\$3.0
<i>(operating)</i>							
Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope	\$15.9		\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Chandra X-Ray Observatory	\$66.8		\$64.0	\$64.0	\$64.0	\$64.0	\$64.0
XMM	\$4.0		\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
<i>(research and management)</i>							
PCOS/COR Technology Office Management	\$6.2		\$9.4	\$9.8	\$6.9	\$7.2	\$7.4



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	Actual FY21	Enacted FY22	Request FY23	FY24	<u>Out-Years</u>		FY27
<u>Exoplanet Exploration</u>	<u>\$552.4</u>		<u>\$522.2</u>	<u>\$450.2</u>	<u>\$423.0</u>	<u>\$388.4</u>	<u>\$258.0</u>
<i>Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope</i>	\$505.2		\$482.2	\$407.3	\$380.0	\$345.7	\$216.6
<i>Other Missions and Data Analysis</i>	\$47.2		\$40.0	\$42.9	\$43.0	\$42.7	\$41.4
<i>(development/formulation/technology)</i>							
Exoplanet Exploration SR&T	\$32.2		\$23.3	\$23.9	\$24.1	\$23.7	\$22.4
Exoplanet Exploration Future Missions	\$0.0		\$1.3	\$3.0	\$10.5	\$10.5	\$10.5
<i>(operating)</i>							
Keck Operations	\$7.5		\$7.5	\$7.4	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
<i>(research and management)</i>							
Exoplanet Exploration Technology Off Mgmt	\$7.5		\$7.8	\$8.6	\$8.5	\$8.5	\$8.6
<u>Astrophysics Explorer</u>	<u>\$204.4</u>		<u>\$245.6</u>	<u>\$291.4</u>	<u>\$311.3</u>	<u>\$385.0</u>	<u>\$523.2</u>
<i>SPHEREx</i>	\$68.5		\$78.7	\$75.0	\$24.0	\$6.0	\$0.1
<i>Other Missions and Data Analysis</i>	\$135.8		\$166.9	\$216.4	\$287.3	\$379.0	\$523.1
<i>(development/formulation/technology)</i>							
X-Ray Imaging and Spectroscopy Mission	\$16.8		\$36.2	\$28.3	\$16.9	\$14.1	\$2.0
Contribution to Ariel Spectroscopy of Ex	\$18.0		\$10.3	\$8.9	\$4.0	\$2.2	\$2.9
Pioneers	\$0.0		\$23.4	\$23.8	\$32.1	\$35.0	\$40.2
Compton Spectrometer and Imager	\$0.0		\$51.3	\$87.4	\$71.0	\$28.4	\$5.3
Astrophysics Explorer Future Missions	\$5.2		\$23.9	\$53.9	\$155.0	\$284.8	\$460.7

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(operating)							
Neutron Star Interior Composition Explor	\$4.8		\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite	\$15.2		\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Imaging X-Ray Polarimetry Explorer	\$38.8		\$6.9	\$0.7	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Galactic/Extragalactic ULDB Spectroscopi	\$8.8		\$1.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Neil Gehrels Swift Observatory	\$6.4		\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Nuclear Spectroscopic Telescope Array	\$8.6		\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
(research and management)							
Astrophysics Explorer Program Management	\$13.3		\$14.0	\$13.5	\$8.2	\$14.5	\$12.1