The INTEGRAL View of the Galactic Nuclear Region

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NTEGRAL Observations of the Galactic Nuclear Region

- Core Program Galactic Center Deep Exposure (GCDE) 2003 2004
- GO Observation of GC and some Open Program public data (2003)
- GO Observations in 2004 (~ 600 ks) correlated to the XMM-Newton Large Program on Sgr A*
 - **TOTAL Effective Exposure Time on Sgr A* of » 4 Ms**
- OSA 4.2 processing, Mosaic with pixel spread option.
- Careful selection of ScW (2740). Background correction.
- PSF fit for several sources in the decoded images
- Light curves and spectra from images.

First INTEGRAL IBIS / ISGRI Images of the G.N.





Feb - May 2003 Observations (Eff. Exp. ~ 800 ks)

- Six known high-energy sources in the central $2^{\circ} \times 2^{\circ}$ of the Galaxy
- A significant excess (8.7 s) at ~ 1' from Sgr A* (4.7 s in 40-100 keV)
- Unidentified INTEGRAL source IGR J 17456-2901, error radius ~ 4 '
- Flux : ~ 3. mCrab, up to 80 keV, possible variability

(Rélanger et al. 2004

More Recent Analysis of IBIS/ISGRI Galactic Center Data







GO Obs Data (Sep 2003 – 1 Ms) Source of 27 s at \approx 40" from Sgr A*

OSA 3.0 processing. Background structure correction. Systematic highly reduced.

Most Recent Analysis of IBIS/ISGRI GC Images



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- Eff. Exposure @GC ~ 4 Ms
- IGR J 17456-2901 at ~ 41 s, at < 1' from Sgr A*
- Error radius ~ 1'
- Confused region
- Multiple source fit analysis.

Mosaicked image in 20-30 keV band. Background structure correction.

Fitting the Decoded images with the Point-Spread Funct



MAGE MOSAIC

FITTED MODEL



RESIDUES



Fitted positions of IGR J1745.6-2901 (20-40 keV)

GCDE + ToO spring 2003			2003-2004 Data, recent analysis			
	20 – 40 keV			(20-30 keV)		
	S/N	Offset	S/N	Offset	Err. Rad.	
E 1740	70	19"	258	17" 0.28'	0.27'	
1742	15	3"	106	42" 0.70'	0.42'	
LX 1744			71	89" 1.48'	0.55'	
S 1741			49	34" 0.56'	0.71'	
E 1743	9	234"	<u>46</u>	141" 2.34'	0.74'	
gr A*	8	52" (^)	41	56" 0.96	0.81'	
X J1745	8	36 " (^)	41	140" 2.33 '	0.81'	

Assuming presence of GRS 1741.9-2853

- Still Compatible with Sgr A*
- Not anymore compatible with the ASCA transient AX J 17456-2901

Light Curves of IGR J1745.6-2901 (all data)







- No clear variability from this source
- Previous flare detection not confirmed



Spectrum







Nature of the INTEGRAL source in Sgr A region

- The INTEGRAL source is not compatible with known high energy (> 10 keV) sources of the region (GRS 1743-290, GRS 1741.9-2853, etc.)
- It is not associated to some non-thermal structures of the region (Radio Arc, Radio/X NTF) proposed as possible HE sources.
- It cannot be explained by simple extrapolation of the (point/diffuse) Xray emission within 10' from Sgr A* as measured by XMM & Chandra.
- Several Chandra or XMM-Newton transient sources were observed in the IGR error box but they are weak and soft. Detailed study using 2004 coordinated XMM obs. is in progress.
- The hard ASCA transient AX1745.6-2901 (at ~ 1.3' from Sgr A*) does not seem compatible with IGR source. XMM data also show it was not bright in 2004.
- Detection of a TeV source in the region with HESS centered on Sgr A indicate presence of particle acceleration. Relation with IGR source ?

HESS Observations of the GC



• GC TeV source at the Sgr A position

G0.9+0.1
composite shell PWN SNR

Aharonian et al., 2005

Sgr A* Broad Band Spectrum



Compilation from Aharonian & Neronov 2005

Work in progress on INTEGRAL data of GC

- Detailed comparison with simultaneous XMM-Newton observations (contribution of X-ray diffuse emission and the Xray transients)
- Sgr A* was seen to flare up in X-rays during XMM observations, not clear simultaneous variation of the INTEGRAL source was observed (but work still in progress).
- Analysis of JEM X data. JEM X images up to now do not show any significant source at the Sgr A position.
- Evaluate different hypothesis on the possible contributions to the observed 20-120 keV flux (Sgr A*, Sgr A East, diffuse nonthermal component, etc.)

HESS Observations of the GC



If IGR J1745.6-2901 is associated to Sgr A*



₋ (3.8x10³³ erg/s)

v (Hz)