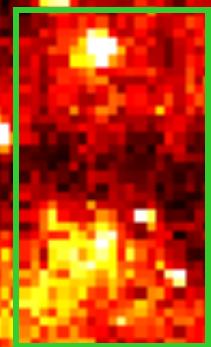


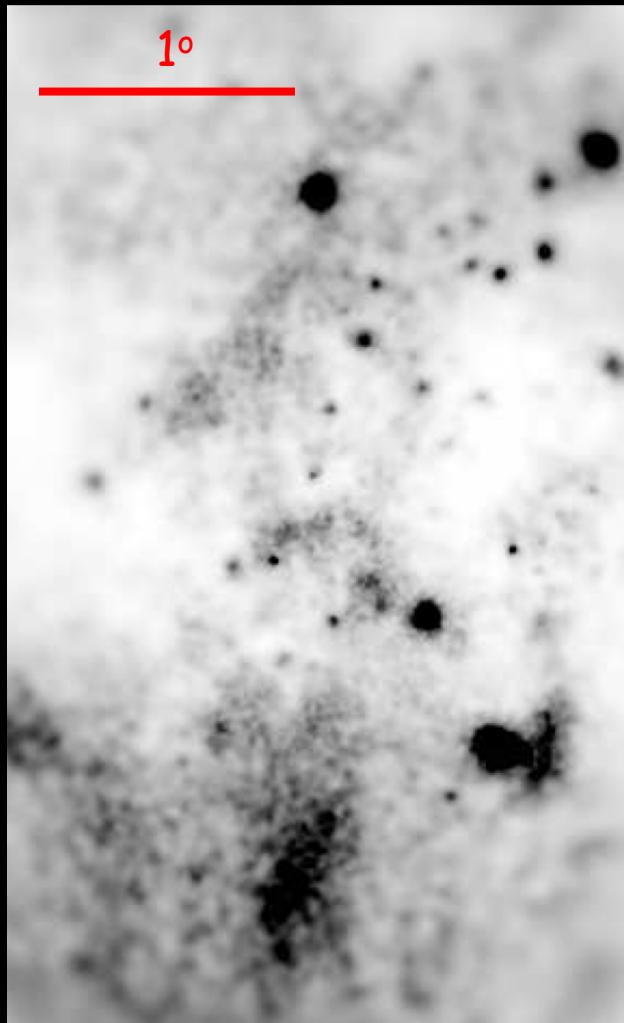
# Large-scale Chandra Survey of the Galactic Central Region



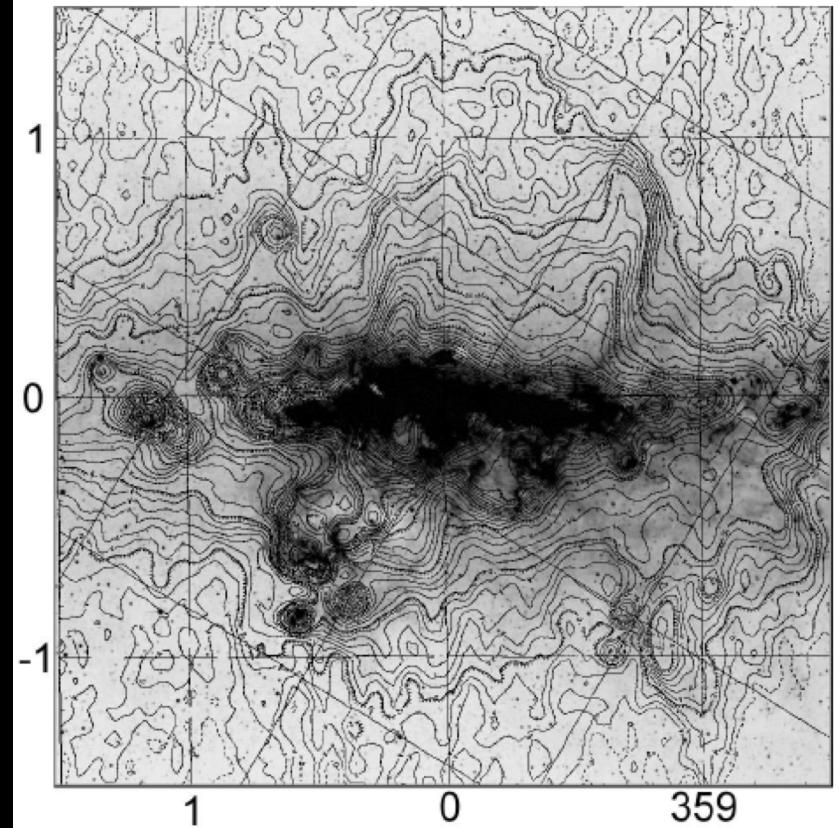
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# Early X-ray and radio views

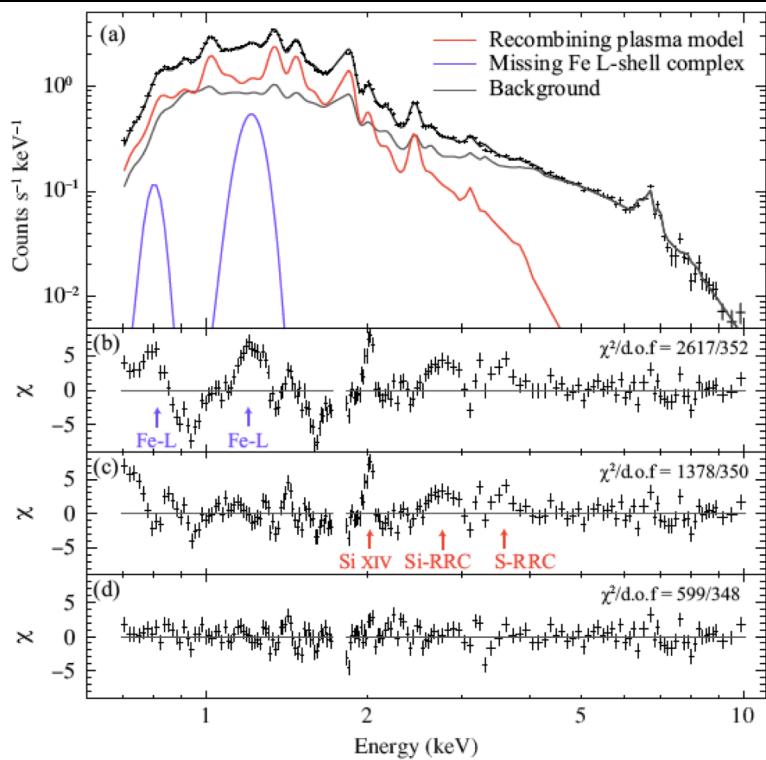
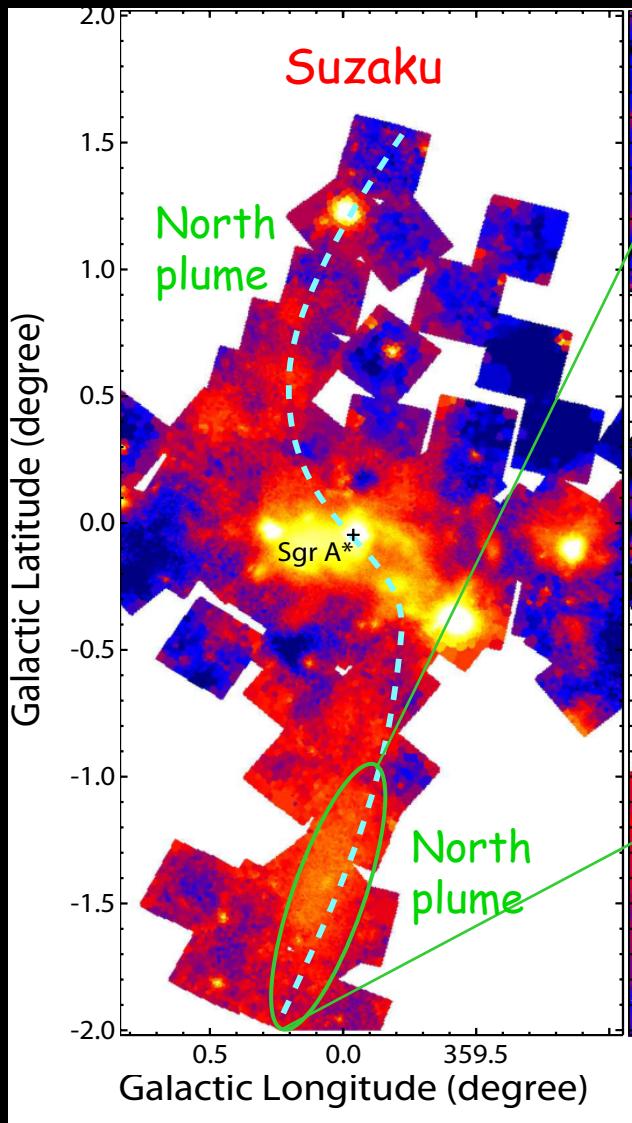


ROSAT PSPC 1.5-2.4 keV mosaic  
(Wang et al. 2002)

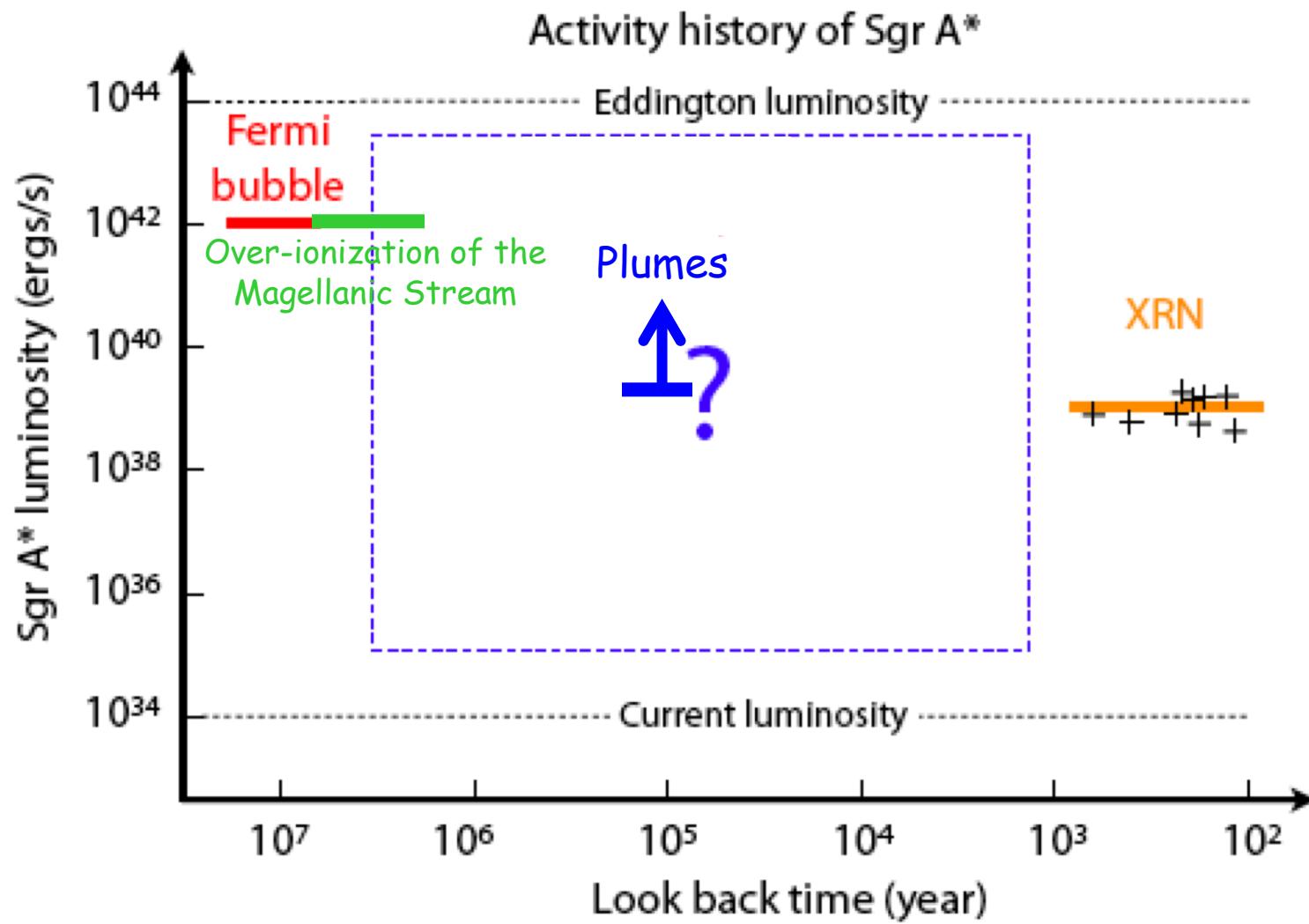


3-cm radio contours on a mid-IR Image  
(Bland-Hawthorn & Cohen 2003)

# Detection of recombining hot plasma



North and South X-ray plumes:  
each  $\sim 100 \text{ pc}$ ,  $n_e \sim 0.1\text{-}0.2 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  
 $E_T \sim 0.7\text{-}2 \times 10^{51} \text{ erg}$ ,  $T_e \sim 0.5\text{-}0.7$   
keV. Higher  $T_{\text{ion}} \sim 1.6$  keV for  
South plume

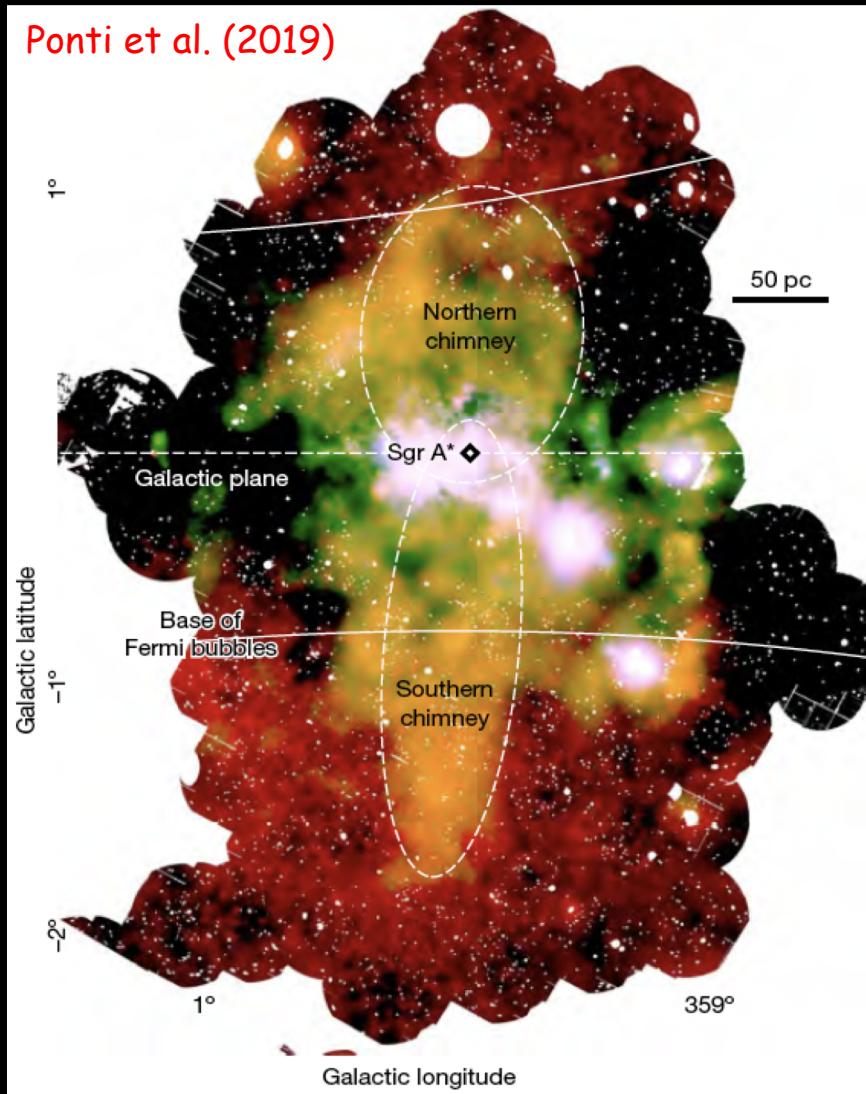


Su et al. (2010)

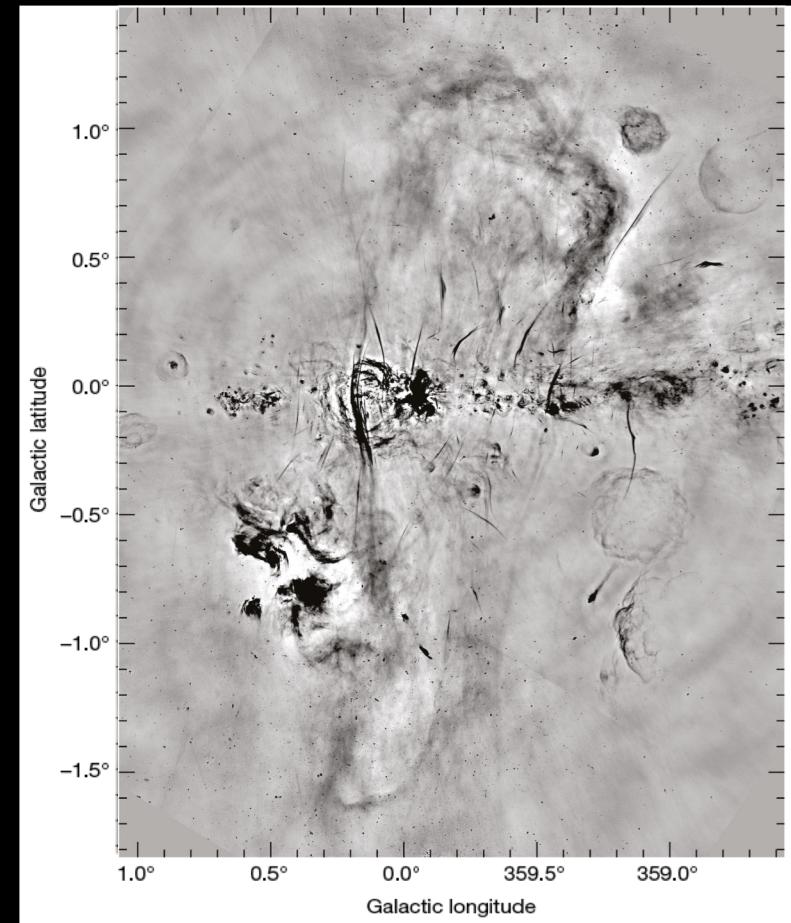
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# XMM-Newton and MeerKAT Views

Ponti et al. (2019)

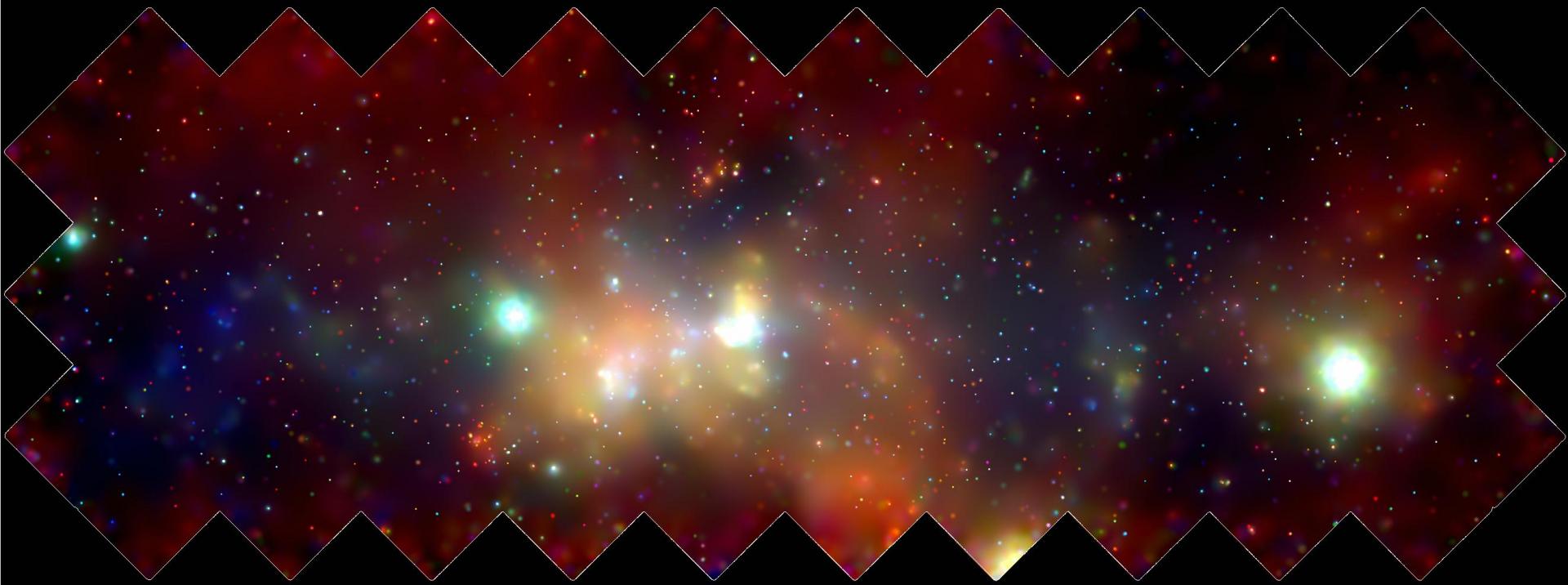


Radio emission from the Galactic Centre  
from the MeerKAT radio telescope



(Heywood et al. 2019)

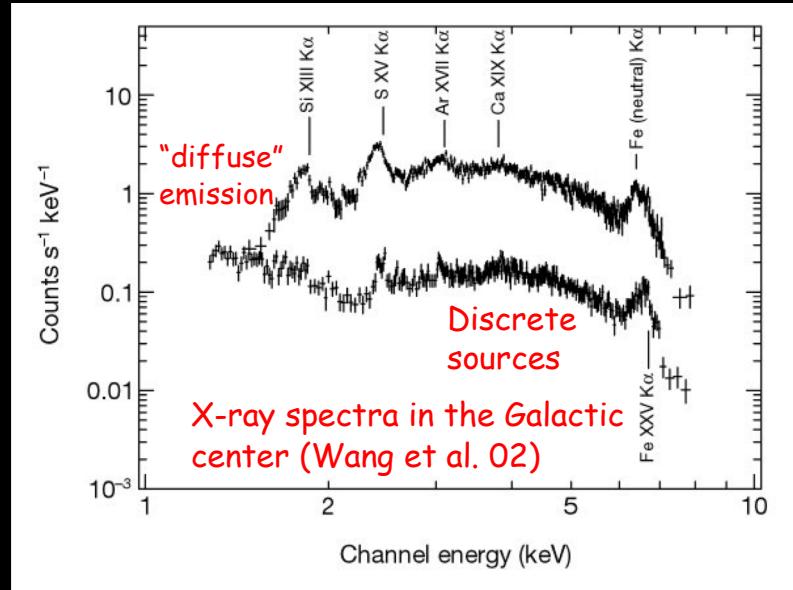
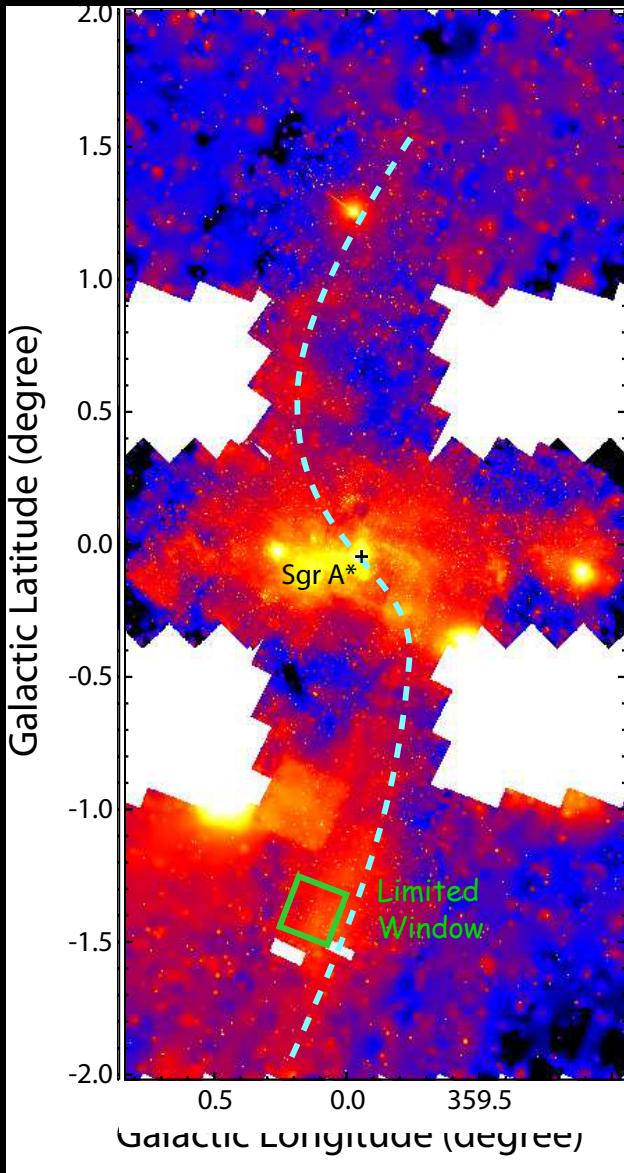
# Early Chandra view



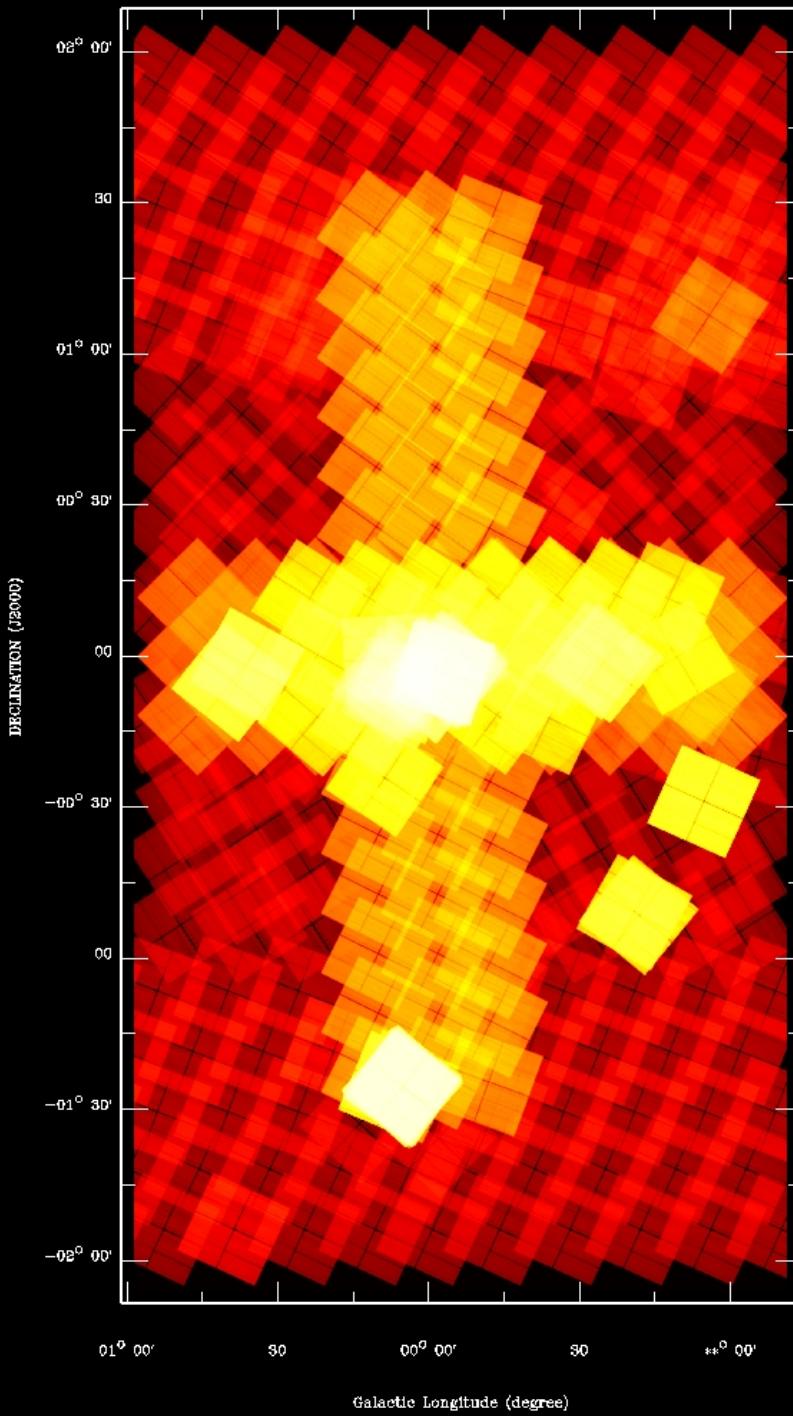
Red: 1-3 keV   Green: 3-5 keV   Blue: 5-8 keV

Wang et al. (2002)

# Early Chandra view



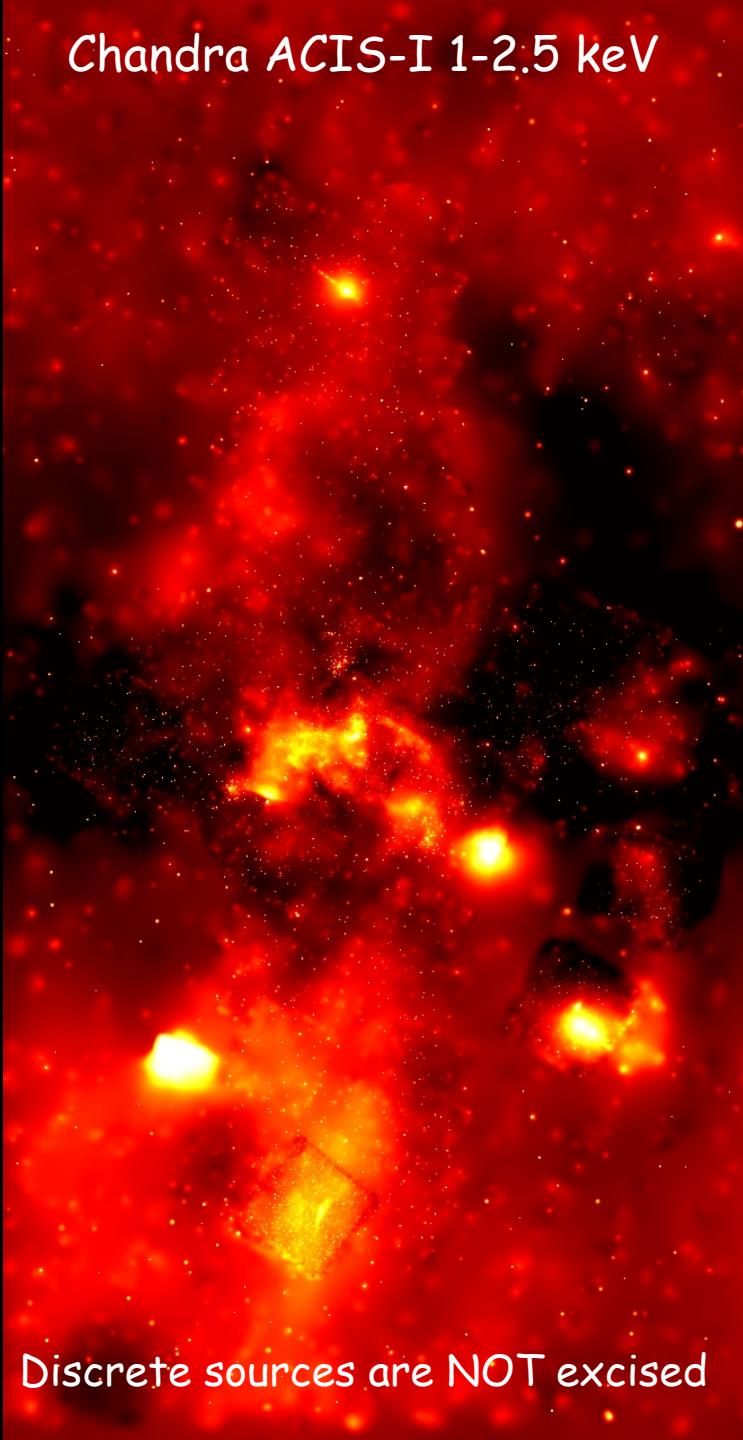
- Similar Fe XXV He- $\alpha$  line intensities in the resolved source and unresolved spectra  $\rightarrow$  origin in CVs.
- Up to  $\sim 80\%$  of the line intensity is resolved in the Limited window.
- The flux ratio of Fe XXVI Ly- $\alpha$ /Fe XXV He- $\alpha$  increases toward the Galactic center.
- But the specific flux of Fe XXV He- $\alpha$  also increases.
- The origin of the X-ray emission remains very uncertain!



# Latest Chandra view

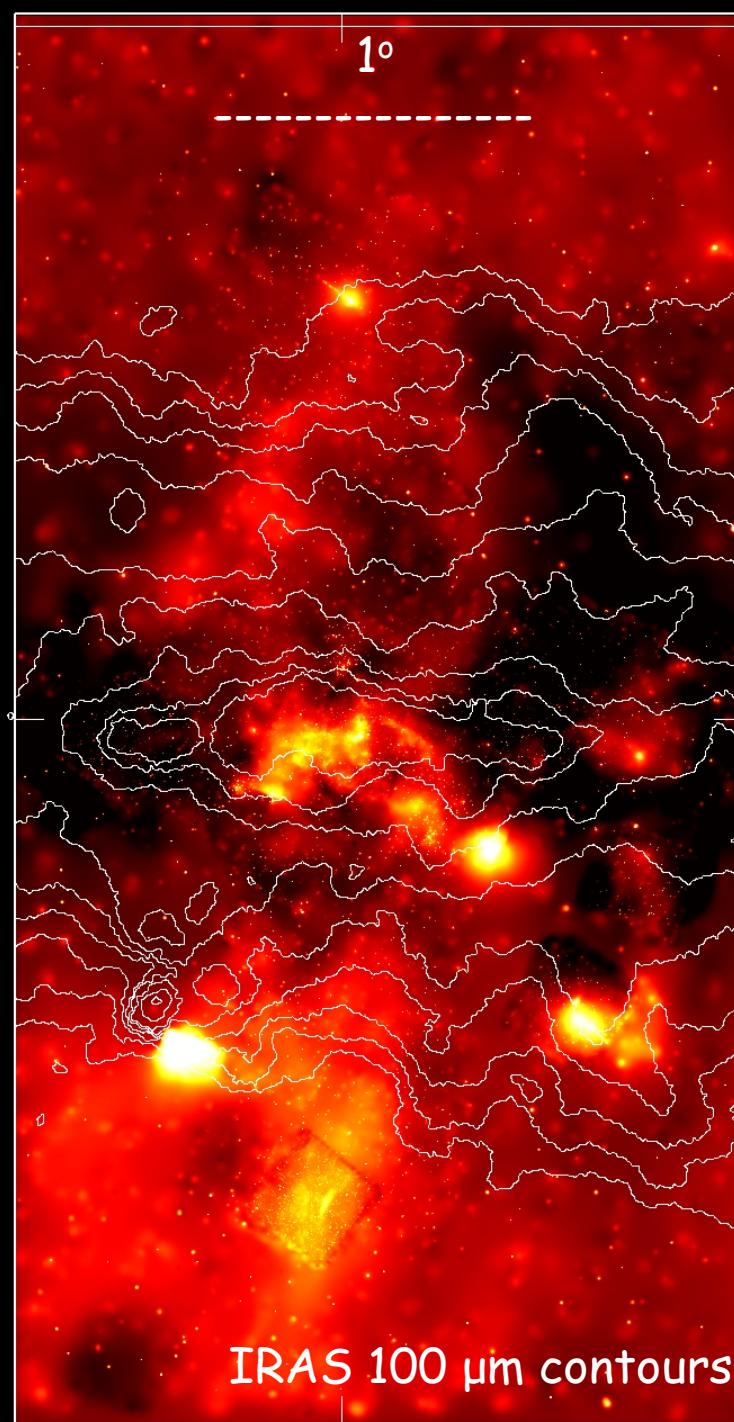
- Filling gaps and holes
- > 300 ACIS-I observations.
- Full coverage over ~ $2^\circ \times 4^\circ$  field around Sgr A\*

Chandra ACIS-I 1-2.5 keV



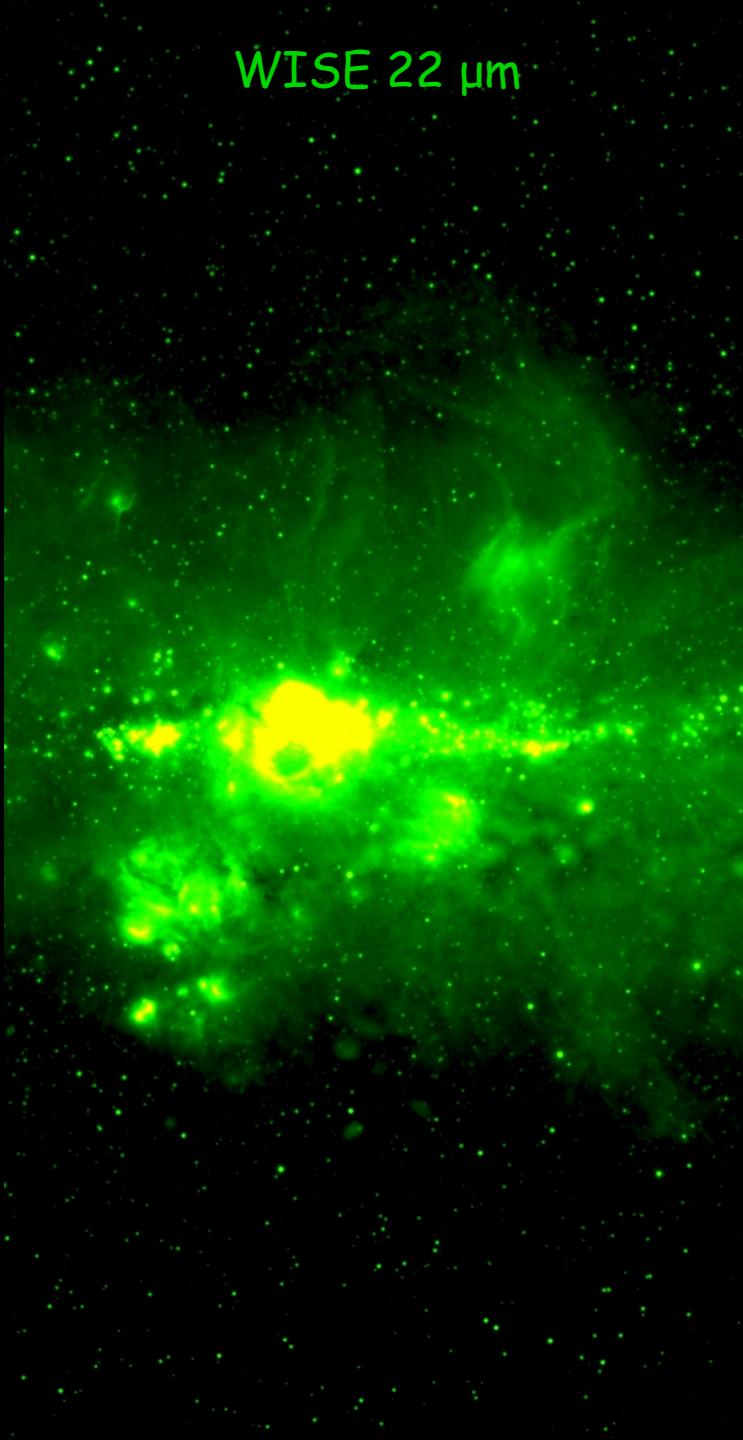
Discrete sources are NOT excised

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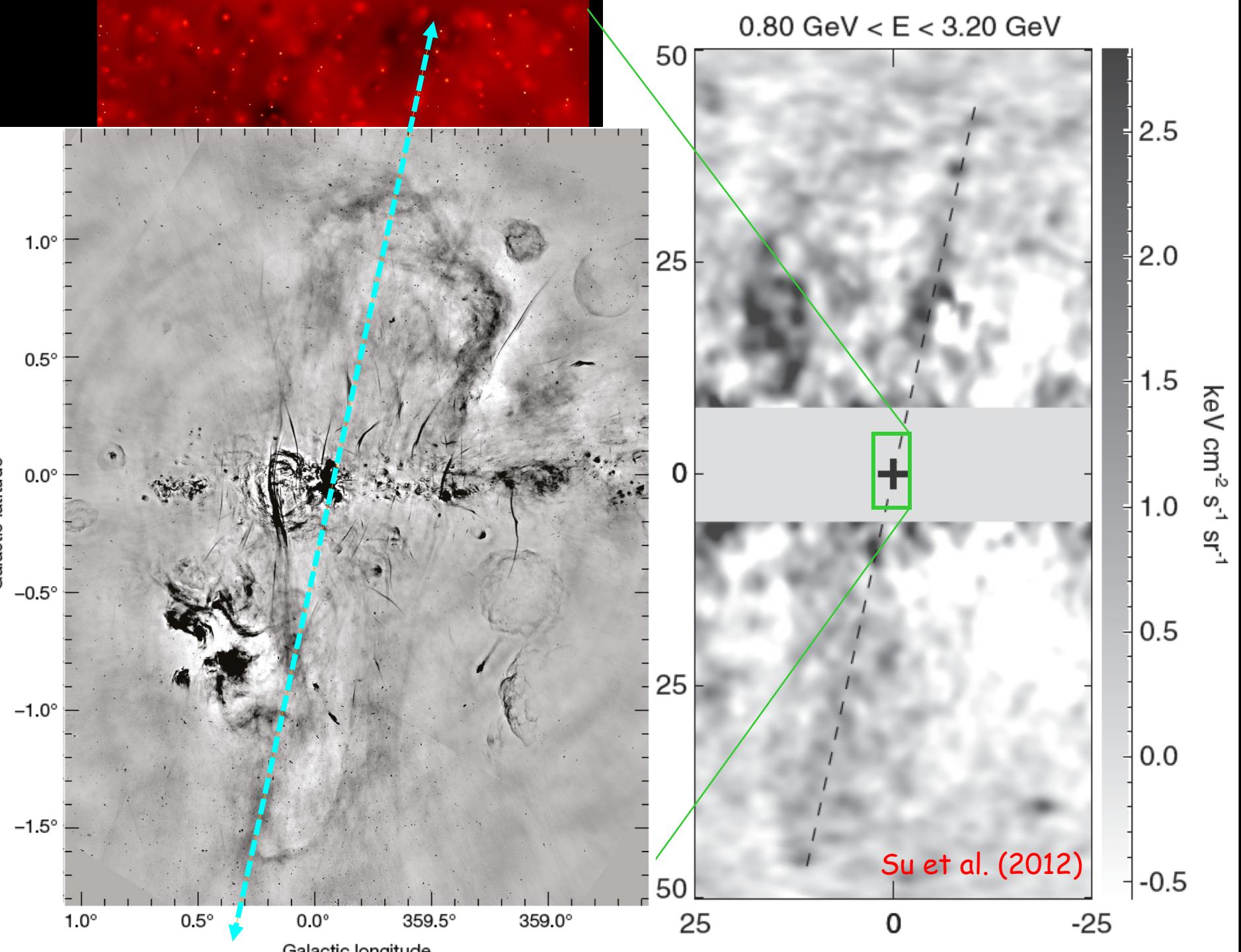


IRAS 100  $\mu\text{m}$  contours

WISE 22  $\mu$ m



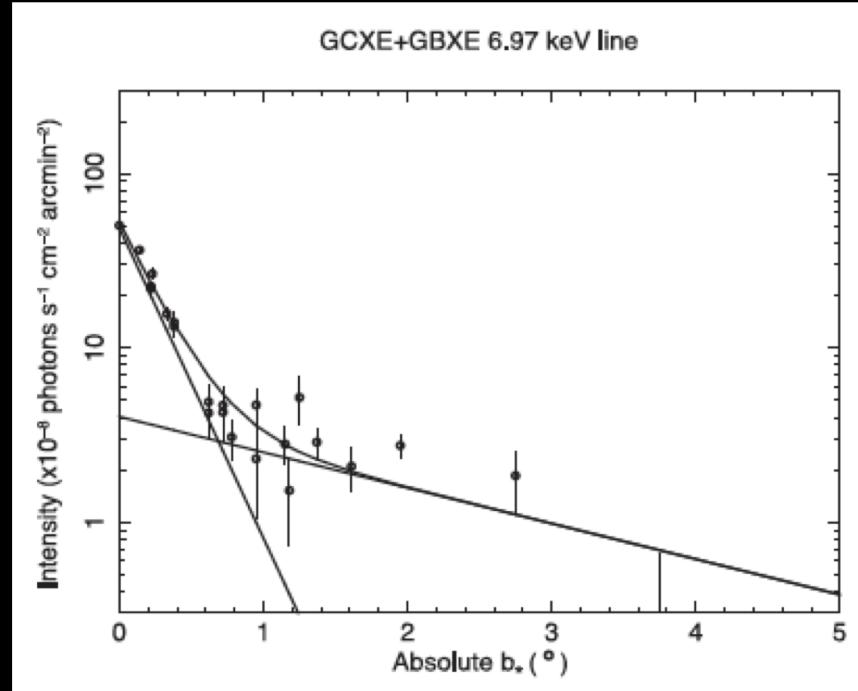
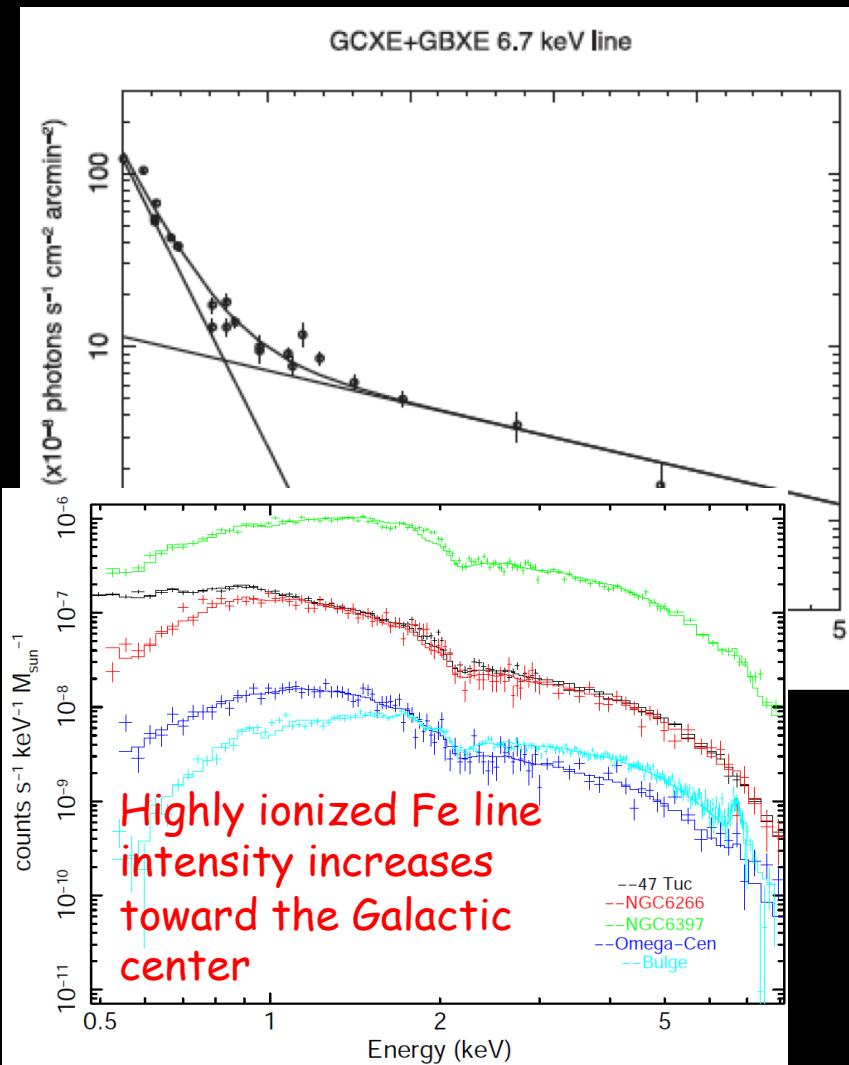
1-2.5 keV  
22  $\mu$ m  
100  $\mu$ m



# Summary

- The Galactic center provides an excellent lab for energetic processes in an extreme nuclear environment.
- Chandra has made a  $2^\circ \times 4^\circ$  FoV around Sgr A\*, allowing
  - Detection of faint discrete X-ray sources and study of their population, distribution, and properties;
  - Mapping of diffuse hot gas with minimal confusion with discrete sources;
  - Detailed X-correlation with multi-wavelength objects and features.
- Joint analysis with the Suzaku data will be carried out.

# Suzaku Fe line distribution



Koyama (2018)