

# HIGH ENERGY SOURCES IN THE RE-IONIZATION EPOCH:

Stellar Black Holes: Microquasars

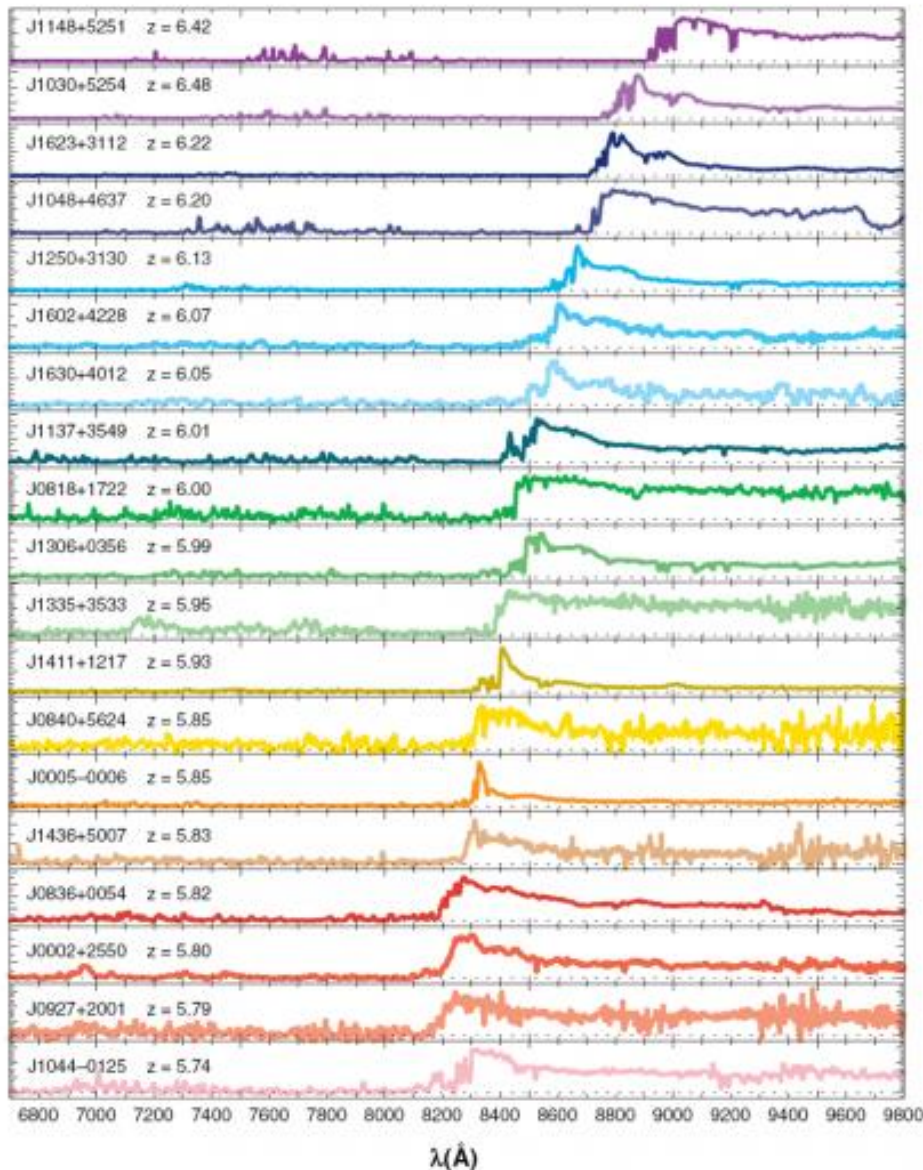
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At the crossroads of Stellar Evolution, High Energy Astrophysics & Cosmology

# Gunn-Peterson effect

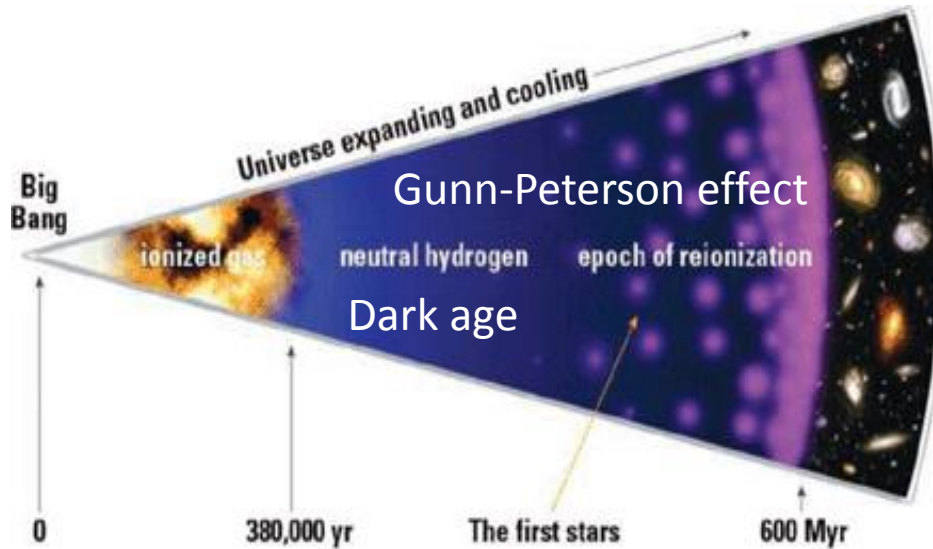


## EVIDENCE FOR THE DARK AGES

- **No light (continuum radiation) is observed at wavelengths less than  $L\alpha$  because it is fully absorbed by atomic hydrogen.**

The **Gunn–Peterson trough** is due to the presence of neutral hydrogen in the IGM. This effect was originally predicted in 1965 by James E. Gunn and Bruce Peterson

# HOW WAS THE IGM RE-IONIZED?



THE « SWISS CHEESE » MODEL  
for the re-ionization of the IGM:

- The IGM was fully ionized by the UV from the first stars (Pop III & II)  $\Rightarrow$  HII regions expanding at  $< 100$  Km/s.

- **ROLE OF HIGH ENERGY SOURCES (AGN, SNe, LGRBs, XRBs)?**  
Based on recent results from stellar evolution and high energy astrophysics:
- **Proposal: In galaxies at  $z > 10$  a large fraction of Pop III-II stars end as StBHs in HMXBs  $\Rightarrow$  important feedback in the form of X-rays & jets**
- **X-rays overtake the HII regions produced by UVs, heating and partially ionizing the IGM over large volumes of space.**

# ASTROPHYSICAL GROUNDS FOR THE STELLAR BLACK HOLE HYPOTHESIS

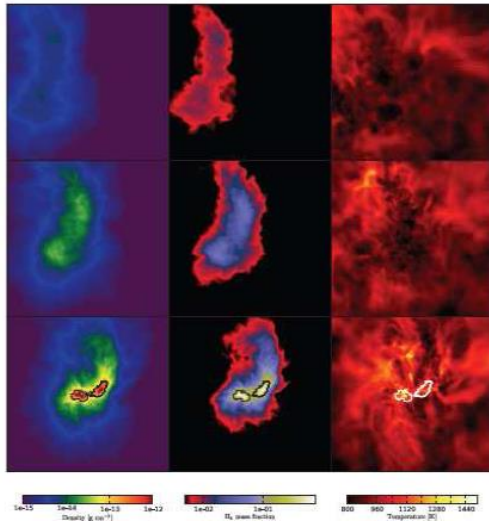
## THEORETICAL GROUNDS

- **MOST POP III & II STARS WERE FORMED AS MULTIPLE SYSTEMS**  
Turk+Science 2009; Krumholz+ Science 2009; Clark+ Science 2011; Stacy+...etc.
- **STARS OF LOW Z WITH  $M > 20 M_{\odot}$  END AS BHs DIRECTLY**  
Fryer,1999;Heger+2003;Georgy+2009;Woosley+2008;Nomoto+2010; Linden,Kalogera+2011
- **NO ENERGETIC SNe  $\Rightarrow$  STELLAR BHs REMAIN BOUND TO DONORS**  
Mirabel & Rodrigues, Science 2003; Mirabel+ Nature 2008

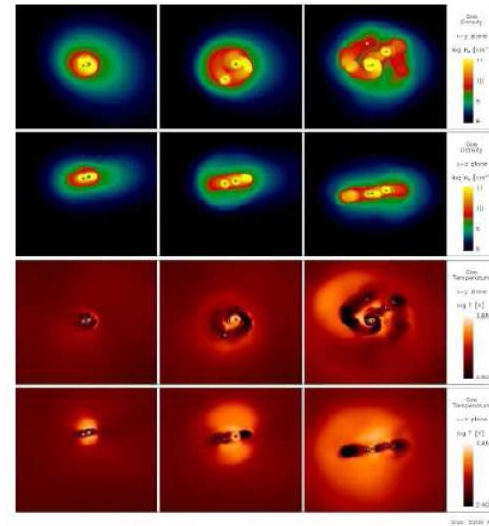
## OBSERVATIONAL GROUNDS

- **MOST ULXs & LGRBs ARE HOSTED IN LOW Z-HIGH-SSFR GALAXIES**  
Feng & Soria,2011;LeFloc'h,Duc,Mirabel;2003;Fruchter+ Nature, 2006; Perley+ 2014
- **$L_x$ /SFR EVOLUTION WITH  $z$  IS DRIVEN BY  $z$  EVOLUTION IN HMXBs**  
Fragos+2012; Basu-Zych+2012
- **IN LOW Z GALAXIES  $L_x$ /SFR IS LARGER THAN IN MAIN-S GALAXIES**  
Thuan+ 2004; Kaaret+ 2014; Douna, Pellizza, Mirabel, 2014 (in progress)

# MOST POP III & II WERE FORMED AS MULTIPLE SYSTEMS



Turk, Abel & O'Shea (Science 2009)  
Krumholz et al. (Science 2009)



Stacy, Greif & Bromm (ApJ 2010)  
Fragmentation: Clark+ (Science 2011)

## THEORY

- Pop III stars were multiple systems dominated by binaries with 10-100  $M_{\odot}$

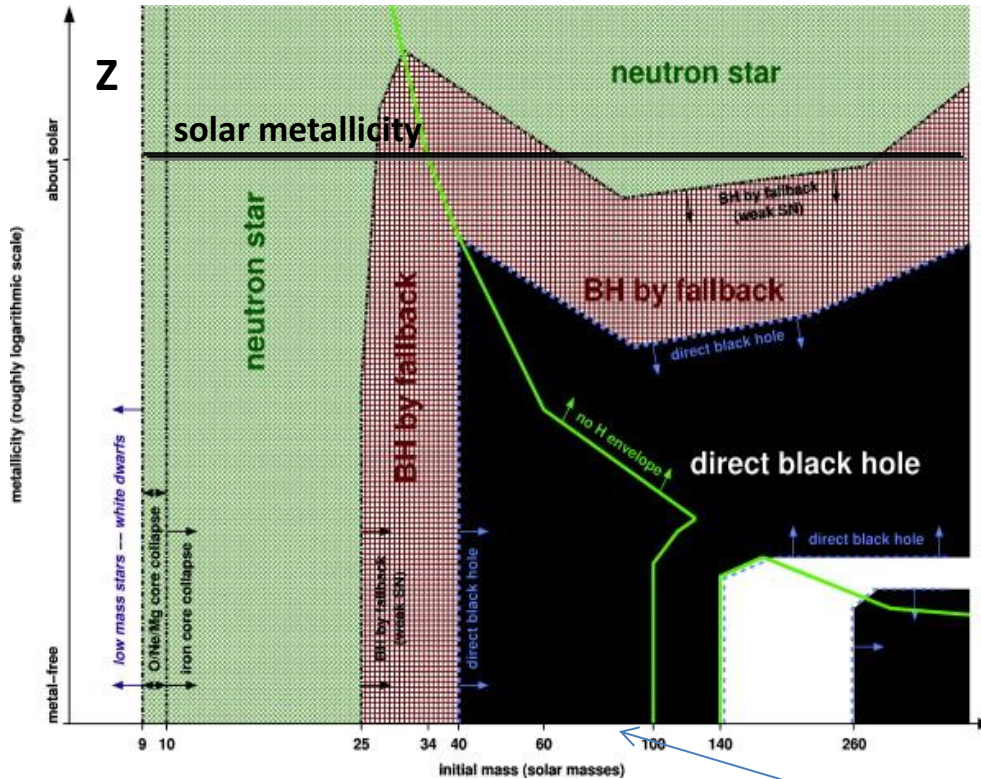
## OBSERVATIONS

- In the MW >70% of OB type stars are binaries (Chini+ 2011; Sana+ Science 2012)

**DID A LARGE FRACTION OF Pop III & II BINARIES END AS BH-HMXBs?**

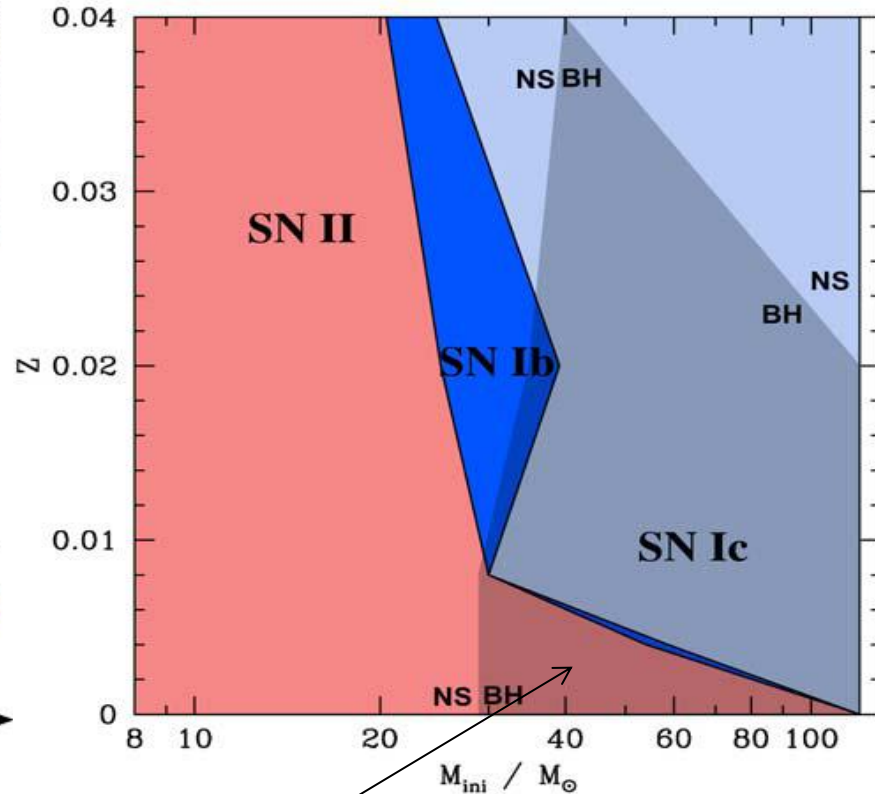
# MASSIVE STARS OF LOW Z END DIRECTLY AS BHs

**with no rotation** (Heger+ 2003)



Mass of progenitor star

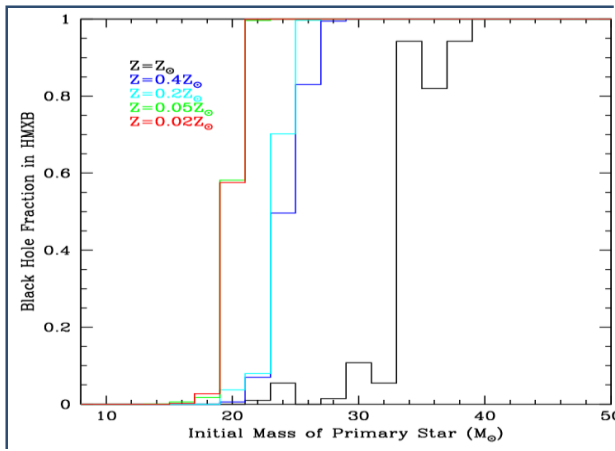
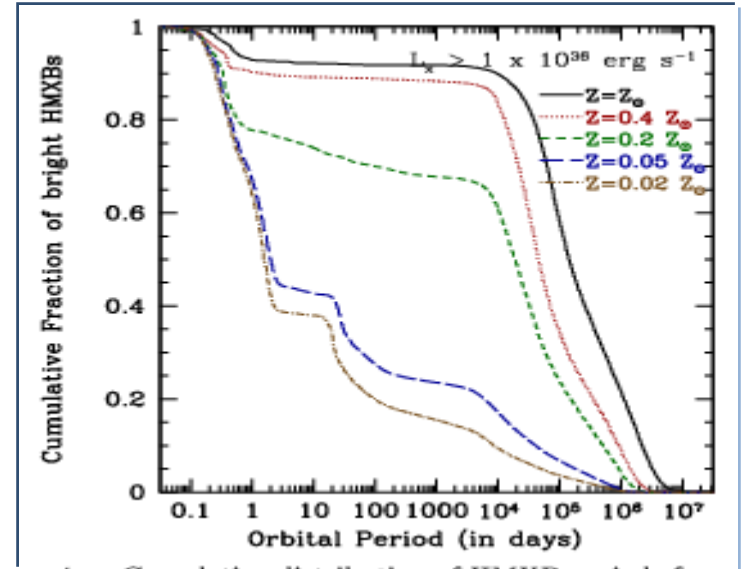
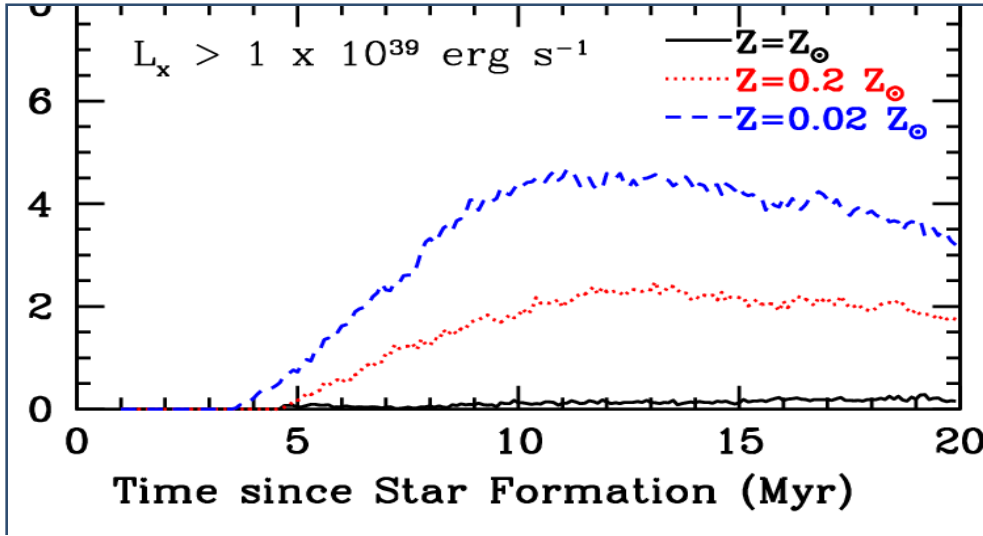
**with rotation** (Georgy+ 2009)



- Low metal progenitors form BHs by **IMPLOSION** (e.g. Fryer, 1999)
- The formation of BHs in binaries is **metallicity dependent** (Linden, Kalogera+ 2011)

# THE FORMATION OF HMXBs IS STRONGLY METALLICITY DEPENDENT (Linden, Kalogera+ 2011)

Number of HMXBs per starburst of  $10^6 M_{\odot}$



## AT LOW Z

- the number of HMXBs increases
- the orbital period decreases
- progenitors of  $> 20 M_{\odot}$  end as BHs

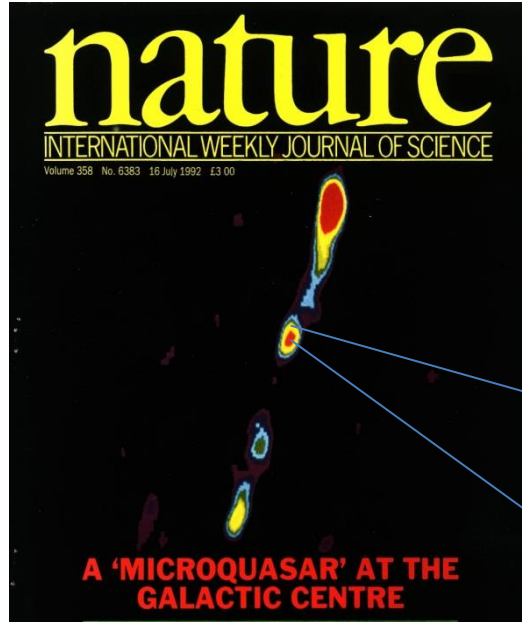
What observations can be used to test these theoretical predictions?

# KINEMATICS OF BLACK HOLE $\mu$ QSOs to test the direct formation of StBHs

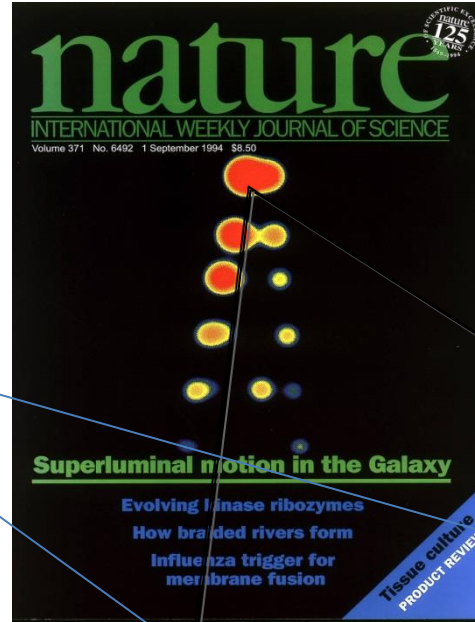
Mirabel, Rodríguez+ 1992

Mirabel & Rodríguez 1994

**STEADY  
JETS**



**TRANSIENT  
JETS**



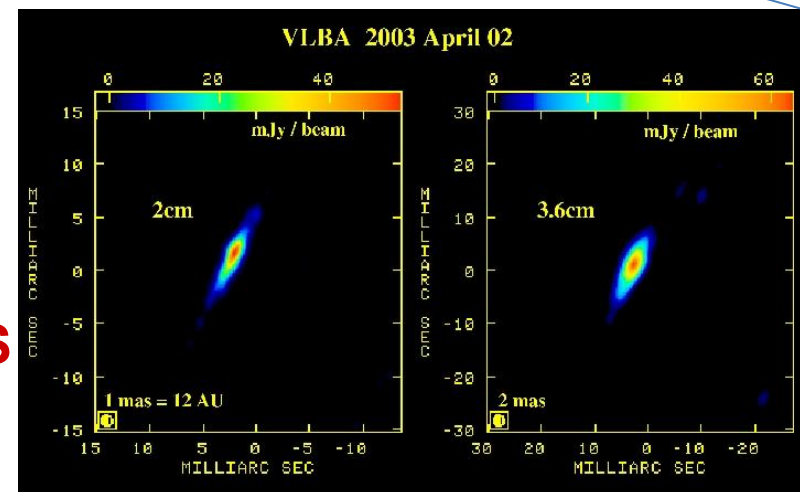
Dhawan, Mirabel, Rodríguez (2007)

**COMPACT JETS**

In low hard state. Size  $\sim 100$  AU. Same PA

**USED TO DETERMINE PROPER MOTIONS**

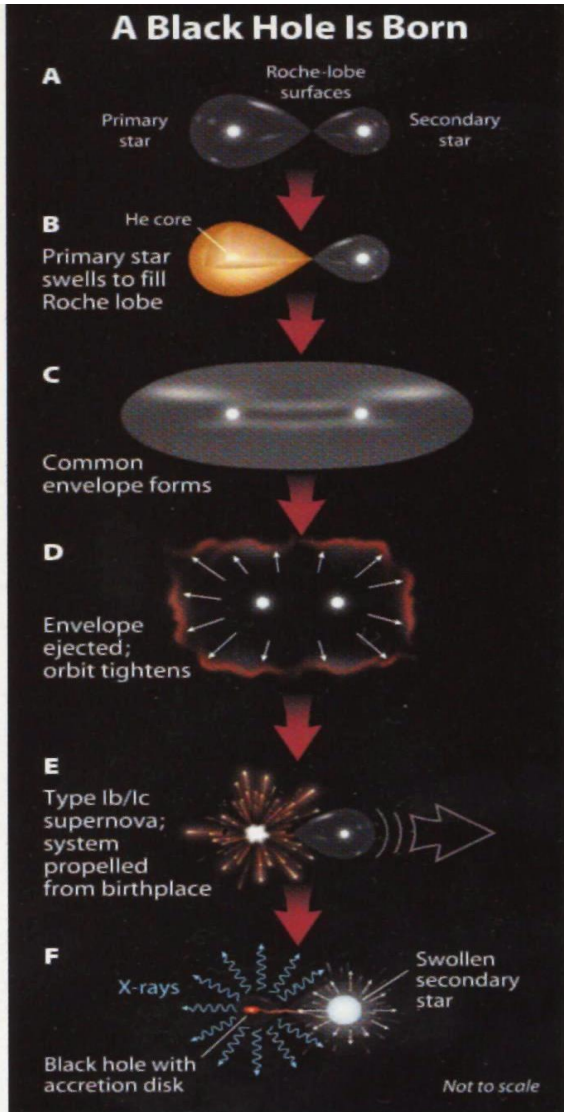
(with VLBI to get sub-milliarc sec precision)





# BHs OF $>10 M_{\odot}$ FORM BY DIRECT COLLAPSE

APPROACH BASED ON THE KINEMATICS (Mirabel & Irapuan Rodrigues 2001-2009)

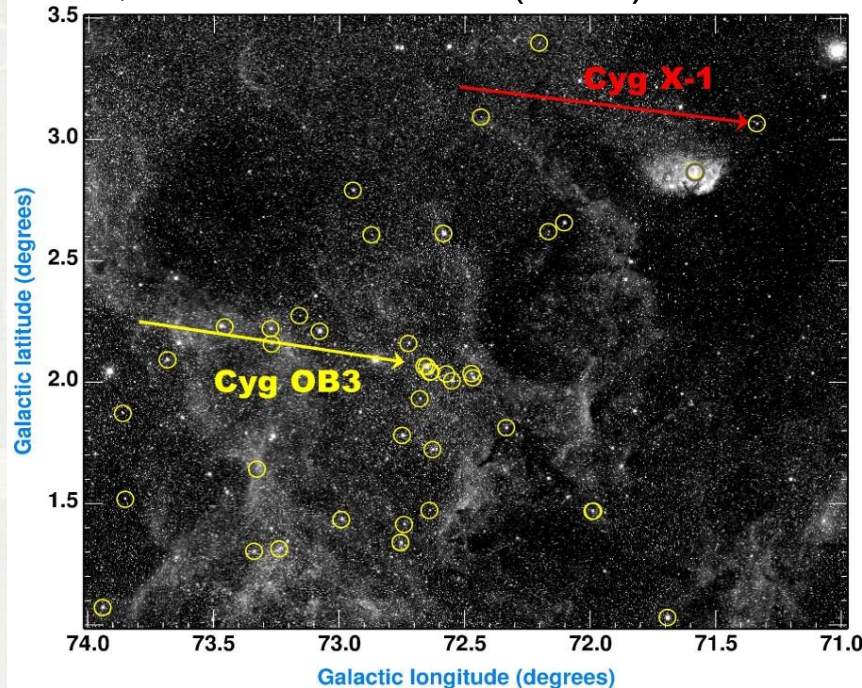


Sky & Telescope

## THE BH IN Cyg X-1 WAS FORMED IN THE DARK

Mirabel & Rodrigues (Science, 2003)

Gou, McClintock et al. (2012) confirmed this result



Cyg X-1 remained in its birth place

$$V_p < 9 \pm 2 \text{ km/s}$$

$$\Rightarrow < 1 M_{\odot} \text{ in SN}$$

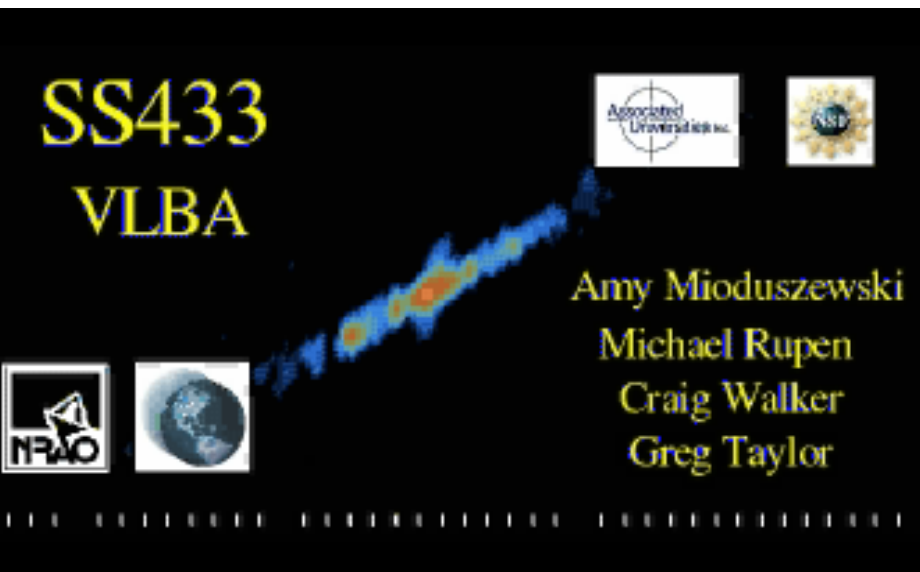
Other BHs with  $>10 M_{\odot}$  formed by direct collapse:

GRS 1915:  $W=7 \pm 3 \text{ km/s}$  (Dhawan, Mirabel, Rodríguez, 01)

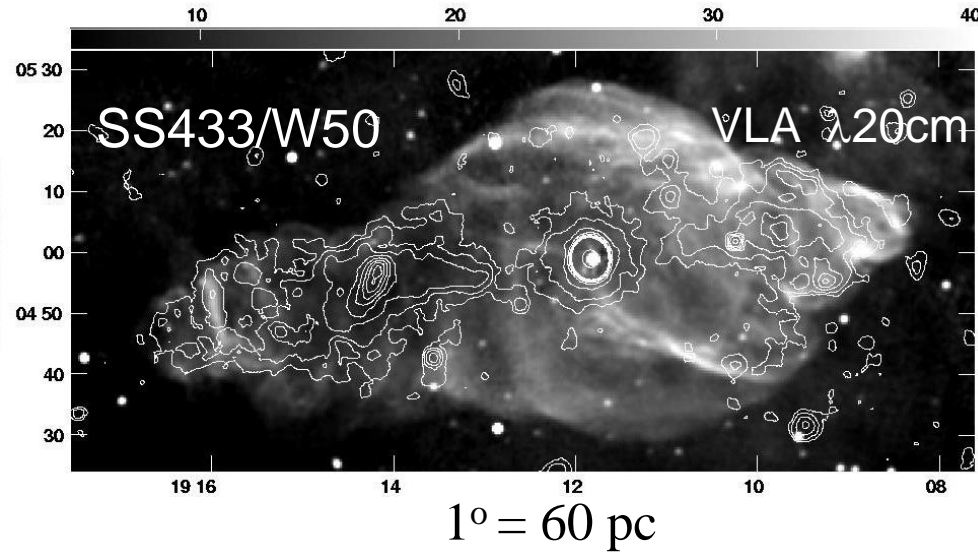
V404 Cyg:  $W=0.2 \pm 3 \text{ km/s}$  (Miller-Jones et al. 2009)

**The BHs remain bound to donors**

# POWERFUL JETS FROM HMXBs ( $\mu$ QSOs)



Radio (Dubner et al); X-rays: (Brinkmann et al)

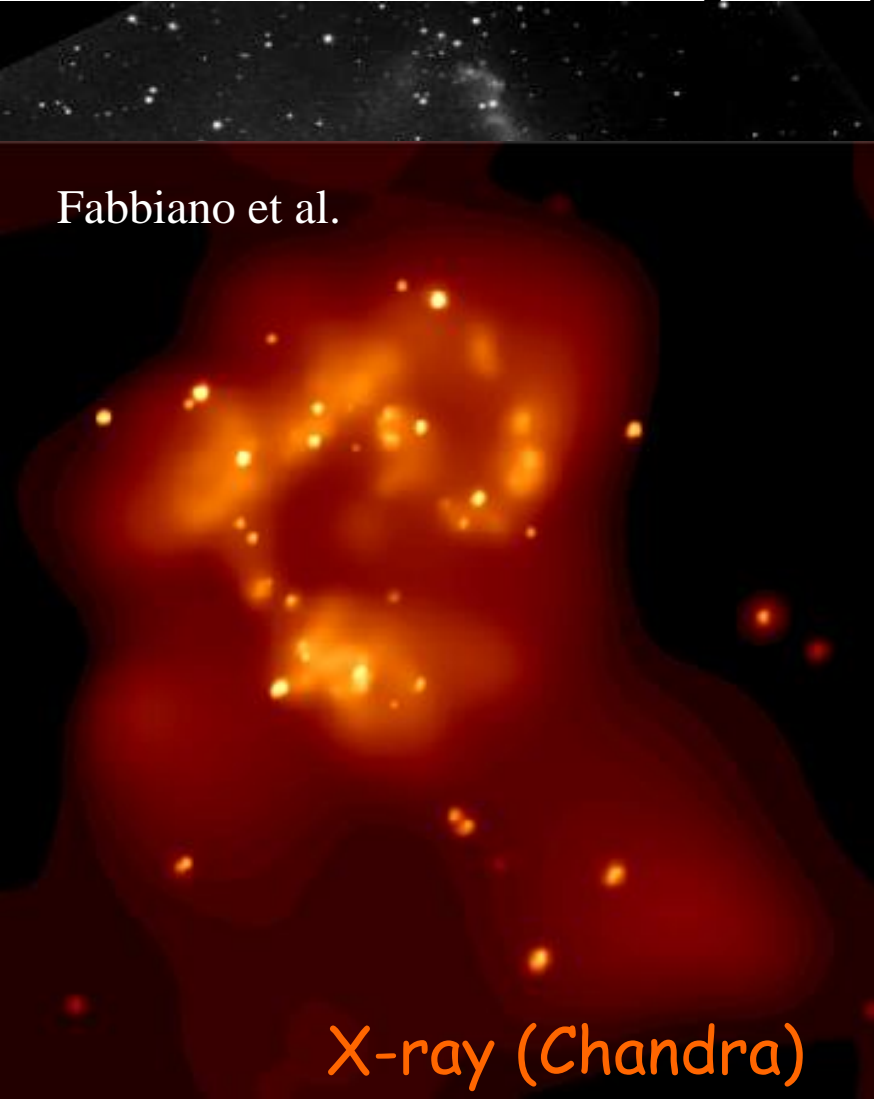


- **ATOMIC NUCLEI MOVING AT  $0.26c \Rightarrow$**
- **MECHANICAL LUMINOSITY  $> 10^{39}$  erg/sec**
- **NON RADIATIVE JETS = “DARK” JETS**
- **$>50\%$  OF THE ENERGY IS NOT RADIATED**

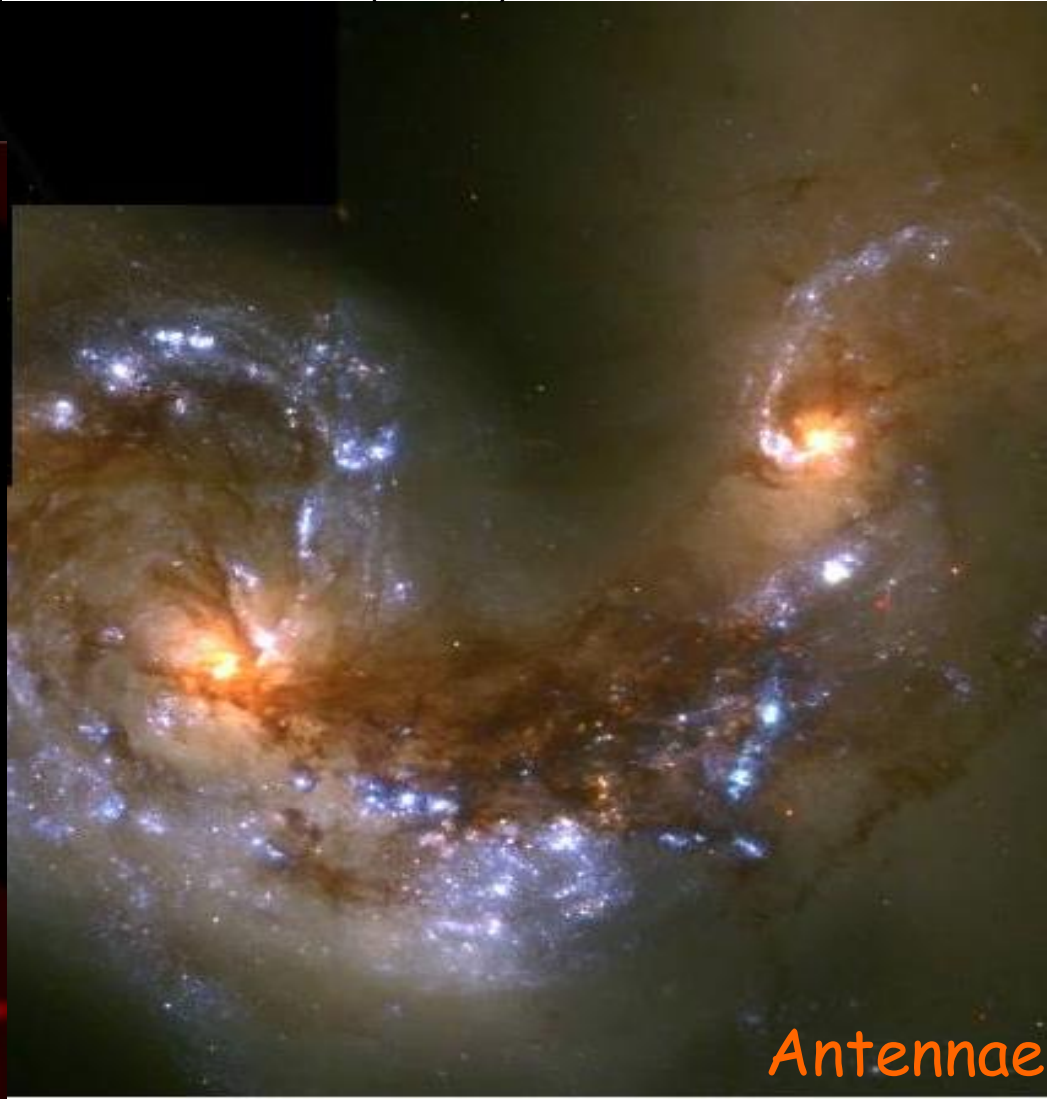
# ULTRALUMINOUS X-RAY SOURCES (ULXs=HMXBs)

THE OCCURRENCE RATE OF ULXs PER UNIT GALAXY MASS  
INCREASES WITH THE SFR AND DECREASES WITH METALLICITY  
e.g. Zampieri & Roberts (2009)

Fabbiano et al.

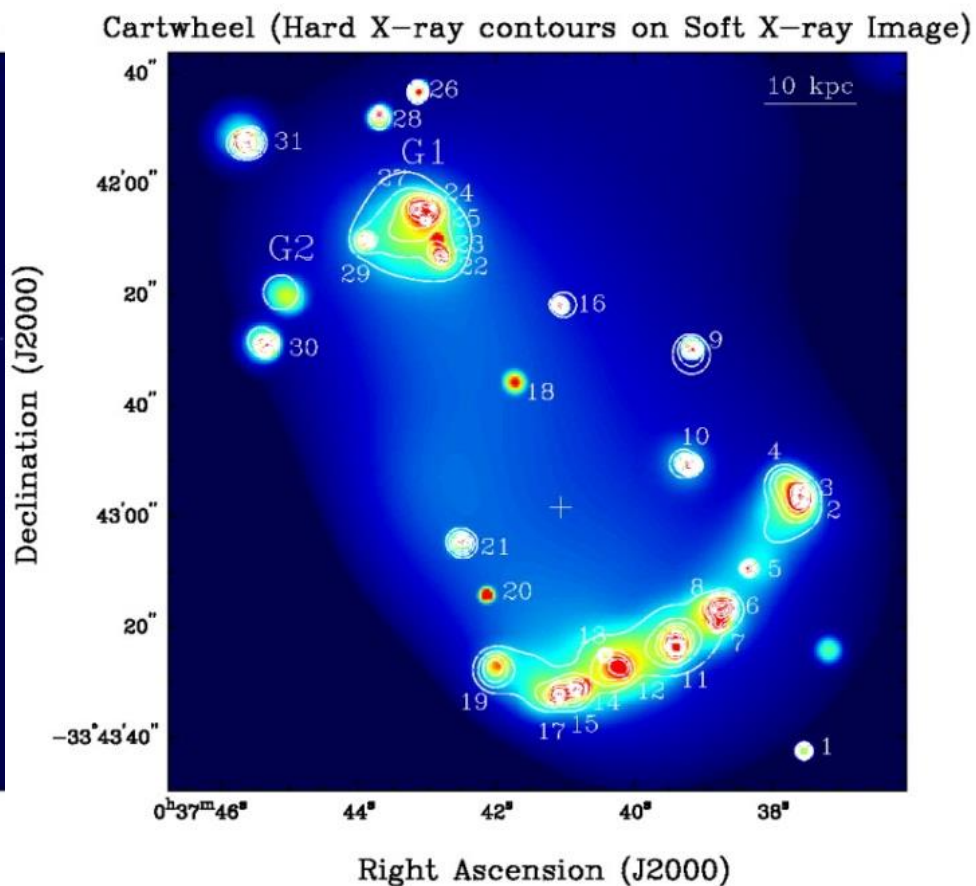
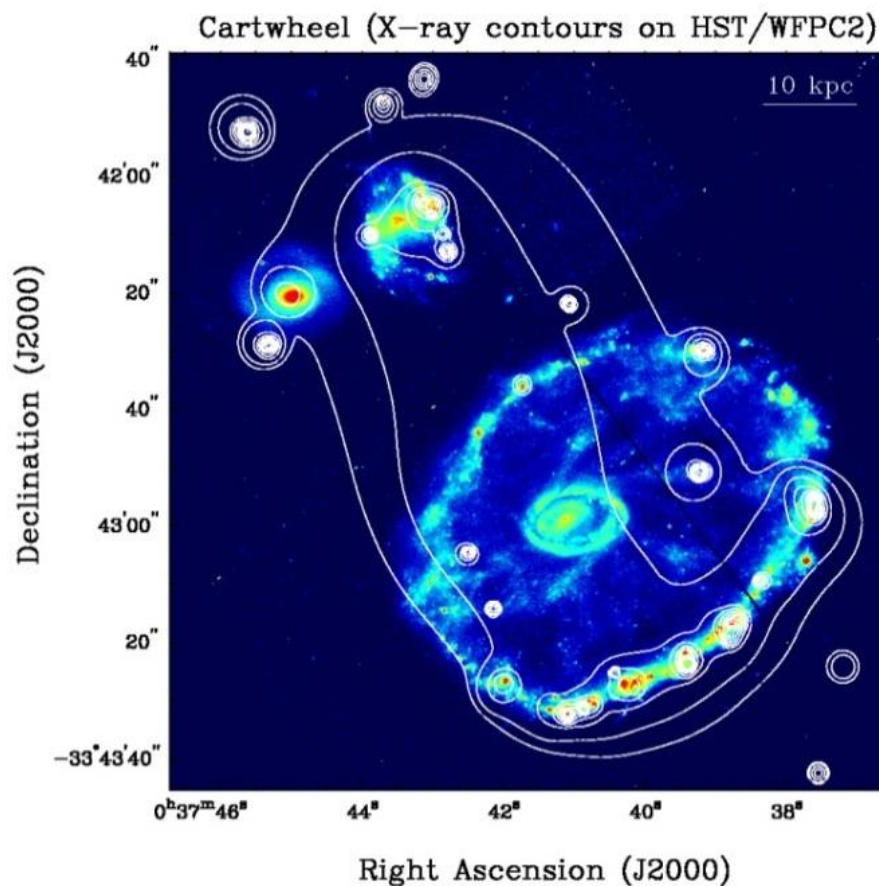


X-ray (Chandra)



Antennae

# ULXs IN “TEMPLATES” OF $z > 6$ GALAXIES



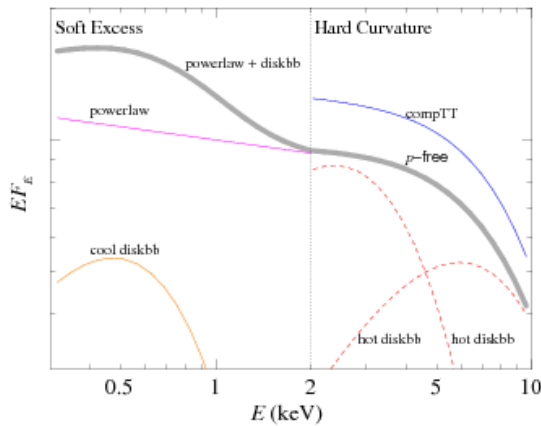
The integrated ULXs luminosity of  $\sim 10^{42}$  erg s $^{-1}$  rivals that of AGN

(Gao+ 2003)

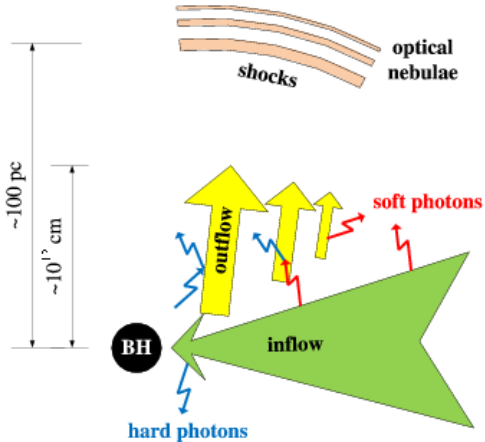
# ULXs ARE FOUND IN LOW Z GALAXIES

## MOST ULXs ARE BH-HMXBs SOMETIMES WITH HII BUBBLES

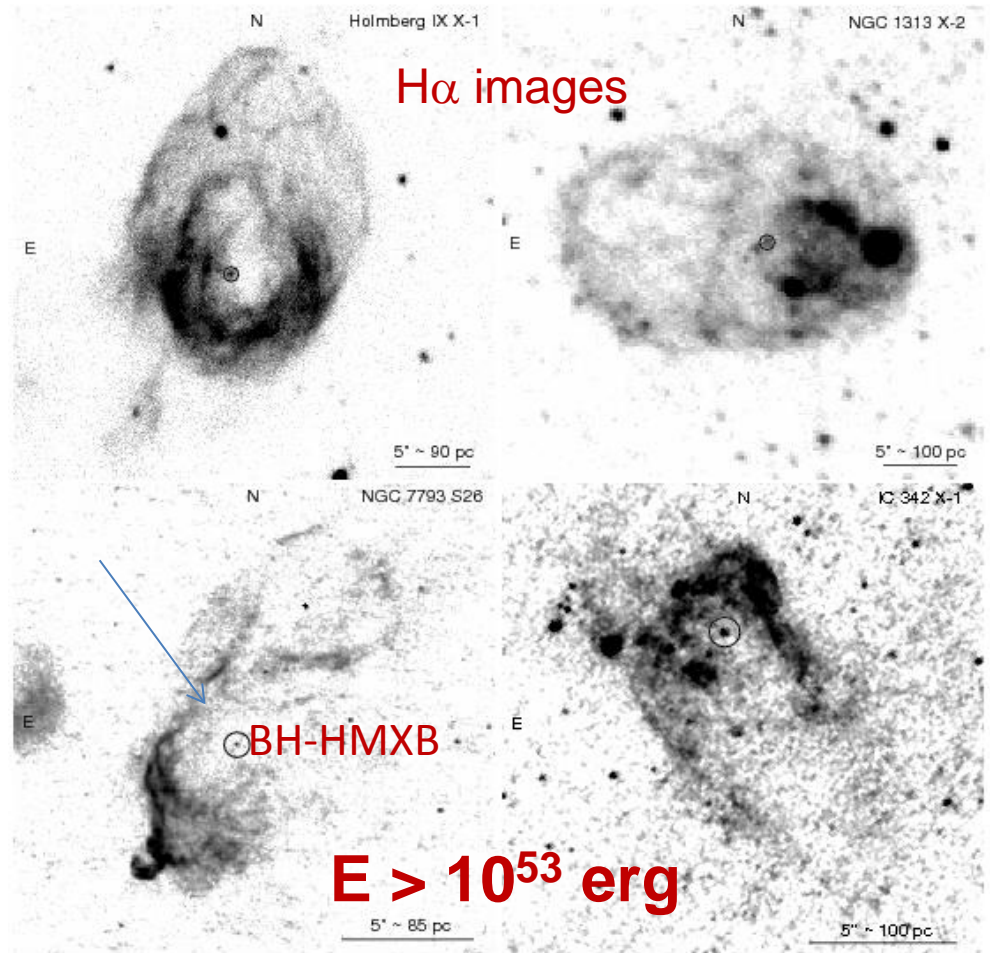
e.g. In the best local templates of primeval galaxies the specific BH-HMXBs formation is high



### Massive outflows



From Feng & Soria (2011)  
shock & photonized bubbles of  $> 100$  pc size

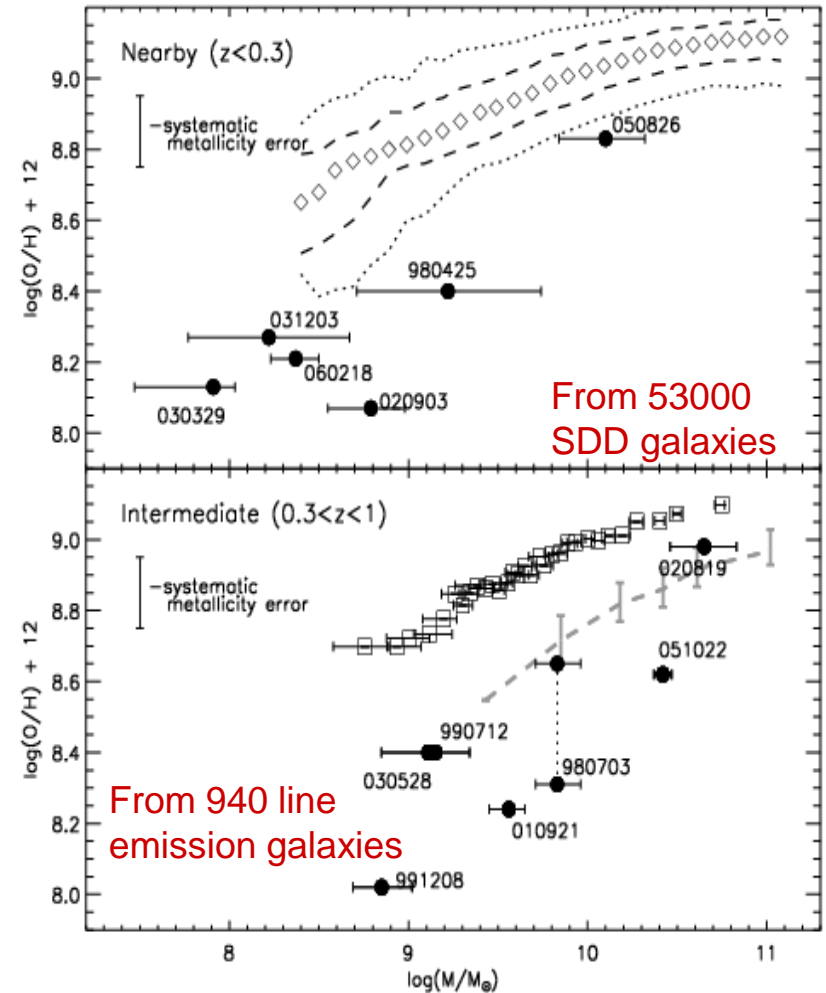
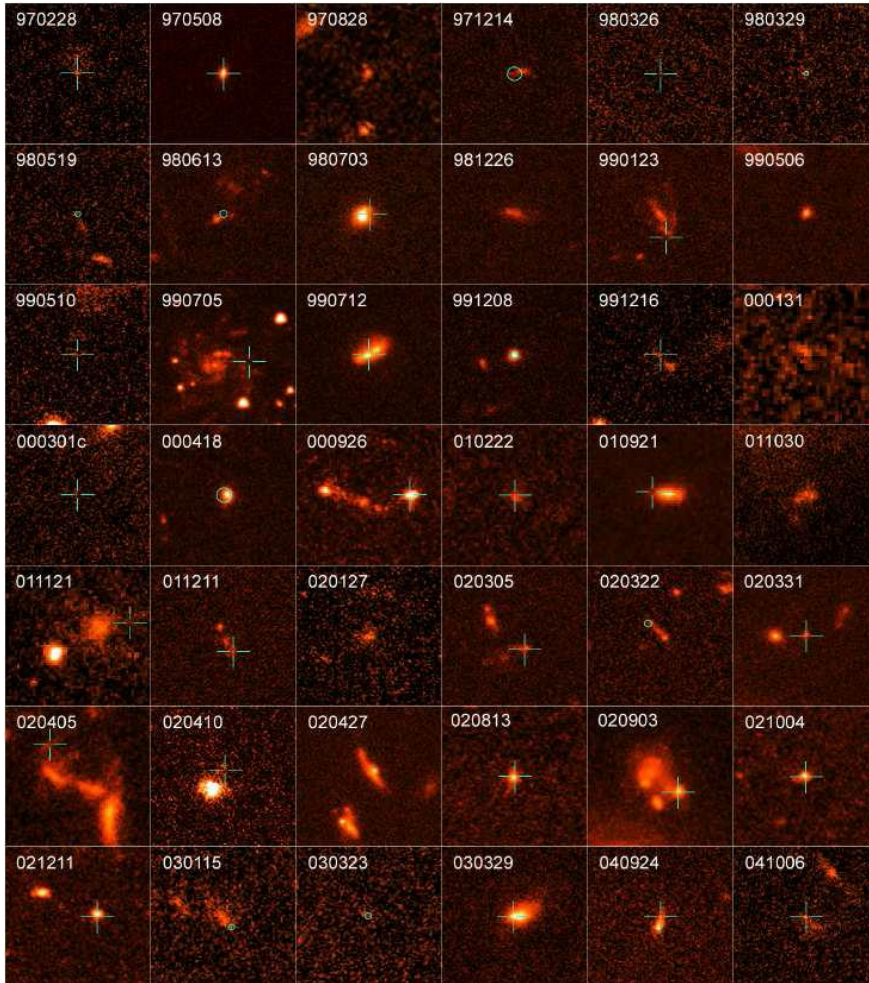


# THE HOSTS OF LGRBs WITH OPTICAL AFTERGLOWS ARE SMALL IRREGULAR GALAXIES OF LOW Z

Le Floc'h, Duc, Mirabel with VLT (2003)

Fruchter + with HST (Nature, 2006)

Levesque et al. (2010)



However, dark LGRBs may pose some caveats & controversy

**FROM STUDIES OF HMXBs IN LOCAL UNIVERSE IT IS INFERRED**

## **THE COSMIC EVOLUTION OF METALLICITY**

### **⇒ A COSMIC EVOLUTION OF BH-HMXBs**

- . At low metallicities ( $Z < Z_{\odot}^{-5}$ ) there should be an increase of:**
  - The mass** of stellar BHs because the progenitor cores are more massive
  - The number** of BH-HMXBs since massive stars form BHs by direct collapse
  - The X-ray luminosity** of BH-HMXBs...an issue to be investigated further.

Mirabel. Invited Review. Proceedings of IAU Symp. 275 (2011)  
(arXiv:1012.4944v1 [astro-ph.CO] 22 Dec 2010)

# Ionization by BH-HMXB vs massive star

Mirabel, Dijkstra, Laurent, Loeb, Pritchard (A&A 2011)  $\Rightarrow$  N&V in Nature (2011)

Counting photons

$$\frac{N_{\gamma,BH}}{N_{\gamma,*}} = 0.6 \left( \frac{N_{phot}}{64000} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{M_{BH}}{M_*} \right) \left( \frac{f_{edd}}{0.1} \right) \left( \frac{t_{acc}}{20 Myr} \right) \left( \frac{\langle E \rangle_{\gamma}}{keV} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{f_{esc,*}}{0.1} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{f_{esc,BH}}{1.0} \right),$$

$N_{phot}$  = number of ionizing photons emitted per atom of H nucleus

$f_{edd}$  = fraction of Eddington luminosity for a time  $t_{acc}$

$\langle E \rangle_{\gamma}$  = mean photon energy emitted by the accreting BH

$f_{esc,*}$  ( $f_{esc,BH}$ ) = fraction of ionizing photons that escape

For fiducially values of the model parameters:

**AN ACCRETING STELLAR BLACK HOLE EMITS A NUMBER OF X-RAY PHOTONS COMPARABLE TO THE UV PHOTONS FROM ITS PROGENITOR STAR**

- But in a fully neutral medium  $N_{sec*} = 25 (E_{\gamma} / 1 \text{ keV})$ , where  $E_{\gamma}$  is the photon energy

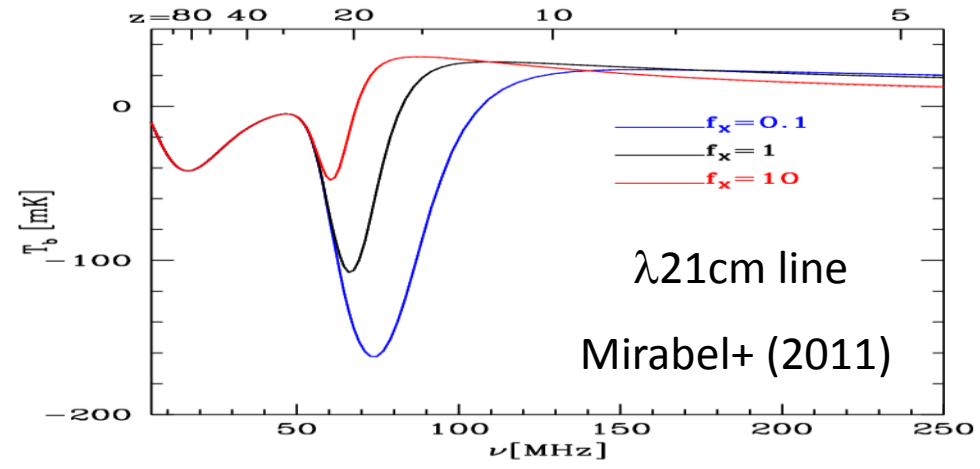
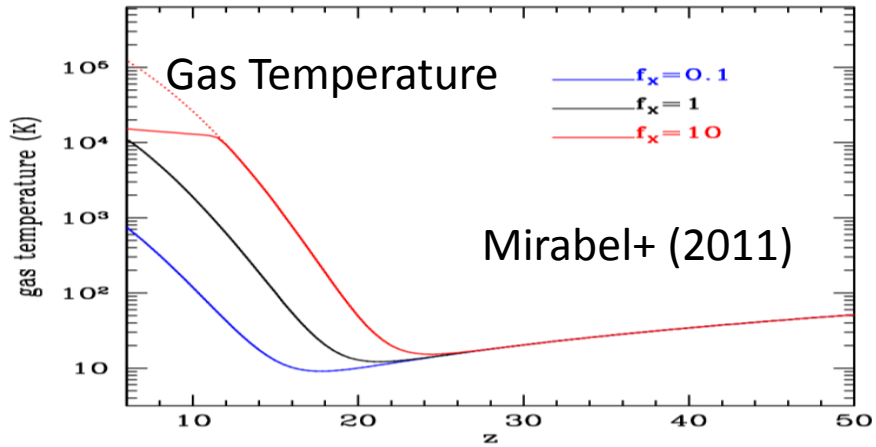
However, not all stars will be massive and lead to the formation of BH-HMXBs...



# HMXBs & HI TOMOGRAPHY DURING THE EoR

$$L_{2-10} = f_X \times 3.5 \times 10^{40} \text{ SFR} \quad \text{erg/s} \quad f_X = \frac{f_{2-10} f_{BH} t_{acc} f_{bin} f_{edd} \times 1.5 \times 10^{38}}{3.5 \times 10^{40}} = 0.4 \left( \frac{f_{2-10}}{0.1} \right) \left( \frac{f_{BH}}{0.01} \right) \left( \frac{f_{edd}}{0.1} \right) \left( \frac{f_{bin}}{0.05} \right) \left( \frac{t_{acc}}{20 \text{ Myr}} \right)$$

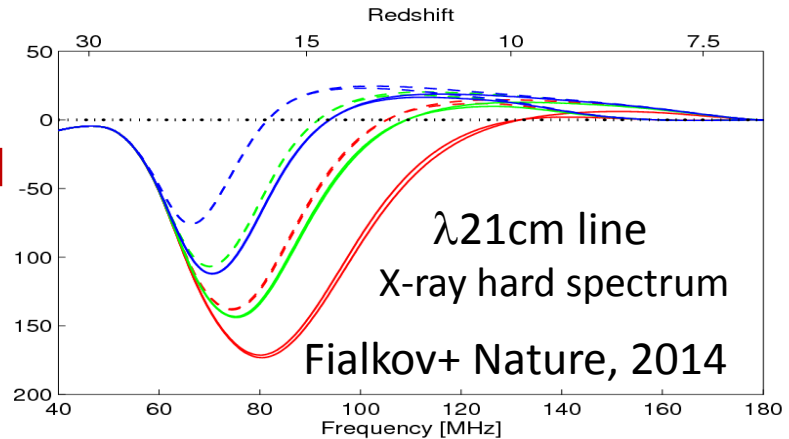
$f_X$  at  $z > 6$  must increase as  $Z < 10^{-5} Z_\odot$



**BH-HMXBs HEATED THE IGM TO  $\sim 10^4$  K OVER LARGE VOLUMES**

## CONCLUSION:

**X-RAYS HAVE LONGER MEAN FREE PATH THAN UVs. THEY HEAT THE GAS FAR FROM THE GALAXIES AND PARTIALLY IONIZE THE BULK OF THE IGM.**

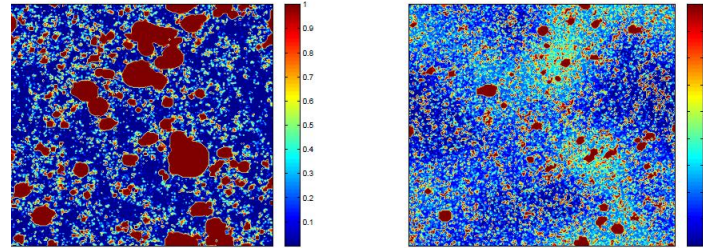
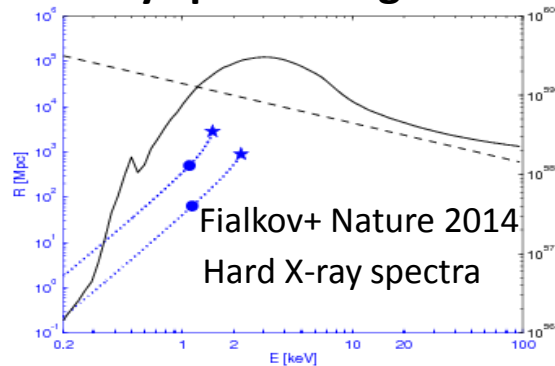


# The $\lambda 21\text{cm}$ tomography of HI with LOFAR, SKA, etc. may reveal a smoother end to the dark ages depending on the SED of HMXBs

X-rays=0  $\Rightarrow$  large fluctuations. X-rays=50%  $\Rightarrow$  lower fluctuations but at shorter  $\lambda$ s

## X-ray spectra of galaxies

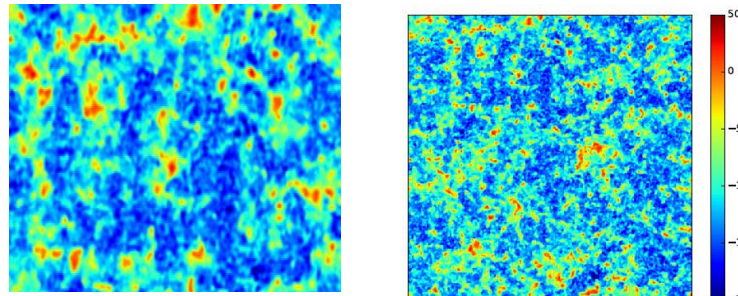
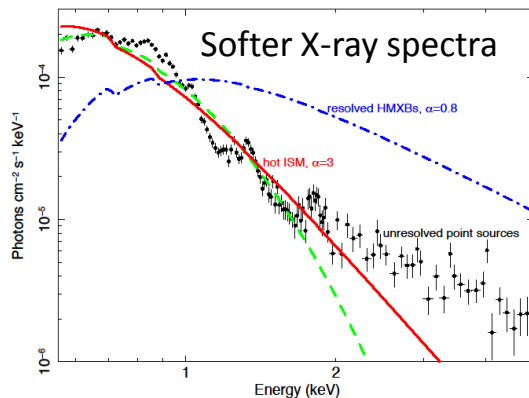
(Visbal & Loeb, 2011; Fialkov+ Nature 2014)



UVs vs UVs+X-rays.  
HMXBs with hard spectra

Slice of  $170 \times 170 \times 0.66 \text{ Mpc}^3$

Pacucci et al., 20014



hard (right) and soft (left) X-ray SED

HMXBs + soft X-rays  $\Rightarrow$   
**Larger fluctuations**

Slice  $1.5 \text{ Mpc}$  at  $z_{\text{peak}} = 16$

# X-RAY IMPACT ON FIRST STARS & GALAXIES

- **THE DOMINANT POP III STARS HAVE MASSES OF 3-30  $M_{\odot}$**

(Hummel, Stacy, Jeon, Oliveri, Bromm, 2014)

For  $n < 1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  X-ray heating dominates & enhance the formation of H<sub>2</sub>

For  $n > 100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  H<sub>2</sub> accelerates cooling, collapse & fragmentation

- **DWARF GALAXIES WITH  $<10^9 M_{\odot}$  COULD NOT FORM**

Mirabel, Dijkstra, Laurent, Loeb, Pritchard (A&A 2011)

$$M_{\min} \sim 10^9 (\rho/100\rho_c)^{-1/2} (\mu/0.6)^{-3/2} [T(\text{K})/10^4]^{3/2} [(1+z)/10]^{-3/2} M_{\odot}$$

$\rho_c$  = critical mass density for a flat universe,  $\rho$  = mass density in the galaxy

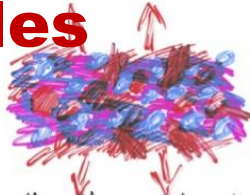
$\mu$  = mean molecular weight,  $z$  = redshift,  $T$  = temperature of the IGM

- **THE THERMAL HISTORY OF THE IGM DETERMINED BY X-RAYS FROM HMXBs LIMITED THE MASS OF POP III-II STARS & THE NUMBERS OF DWARF GALAXIES RELATIVE TO THE NUMBERS PREDICTED BY THE  $\lambda$ CDM**

# BLACK HOLES CONSTRAINT THE MASS OF GALAXIES

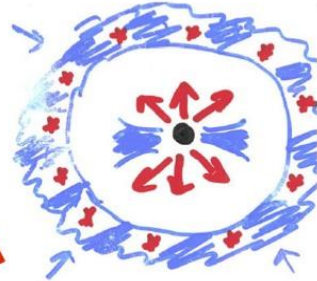
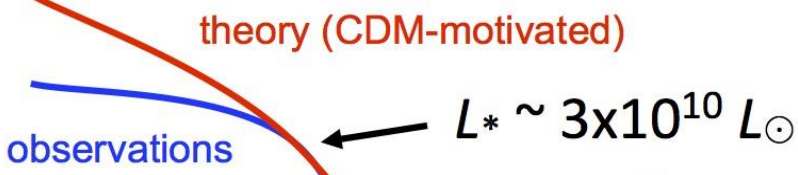
**Stellar Black Holes**

**HMXBs** **SN**



Silk & Mamon, (2012)

$\phi(L)$   
**Number of galaxies**



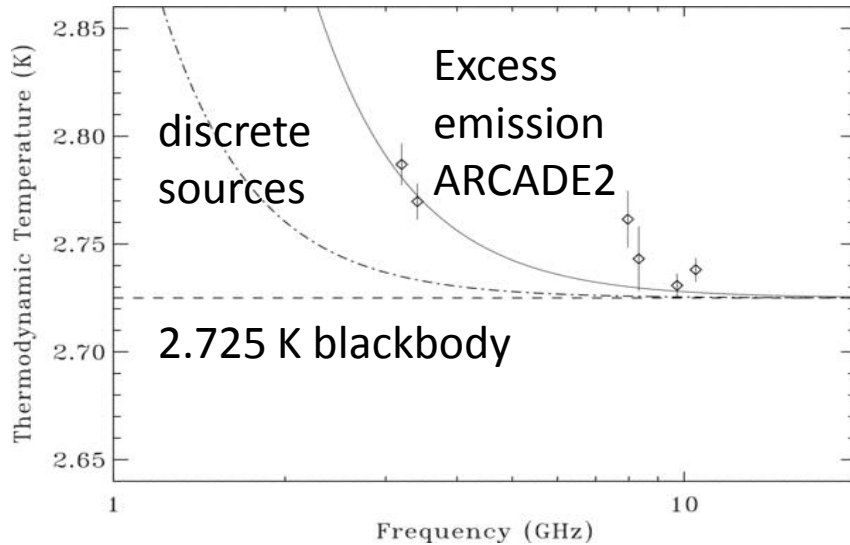
Galaxy luminosity  
**Mass**

**AGN** Fabian+ (2010)

**Supermassive Black holes**

# OBSERVATIONS RELATED TO HMXBs?

## • COSMIC RADIO BACKGROUND WITH ARCADE 2



(Fixsen+; Seiffer+ 2011)

VLA follow up by Condon+ (2012):  
The ARCADE 2 excess is smooth  $\Rightarrow$   
**A new unexpected discrete-source population too numerous to be associated with bright galaxies**

## • He II IONIZATION AT $z > 3.5$ (Worseck+; Compostella+ 2014)

Absorption spectroscopy of the He II  $L\alpha$  line  $\lambda_{\text{rest}}=303.78\text{\AA}$   $\Rightarrow$  A radiation field with photons  $h\nu > 54.4\text{ eV}$  that **can not be provided by luminous QSOs**

**ARE THE RADIO BACKGROUND & PHOTONS WITH  $h\nu > 54.4\text{ eV}$  FROM A POPULATION OF HMXBs AT  $z > 6$  OR FROM SUPERMASSIVE BHs?** (Biermann+2014)

# IMPLICATIONS OF THE BH-HMXB HYPOTHESIS

- I)  $\lambda$ 21cm tomography of HI with LOFAR, SKA...may show **a smoother end to the dark ages**
- II) The X-rays from BH-HMXBs may contribute to the **10-20% unresolved hard X-ray background**
- III) Stellar mass BH-BH binaries may be the more likely detected **sources of gravitational waves** (e.g. Belczynski+2011;Ziosi+2014)
- IV) Feedback from AGN at the centre of clusters **stop the unlimited growth of galaxies** (Fabian+); feedback from stellar BHs reduce the  $\lambda$ CDM predicted **number of dwarf galaxies**
- VI) **There should be a population of naked dark matter haloes** with  $M < 10^9 M_{\odot}$