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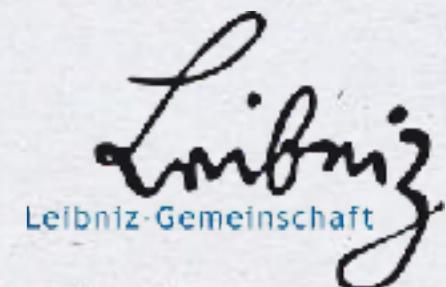
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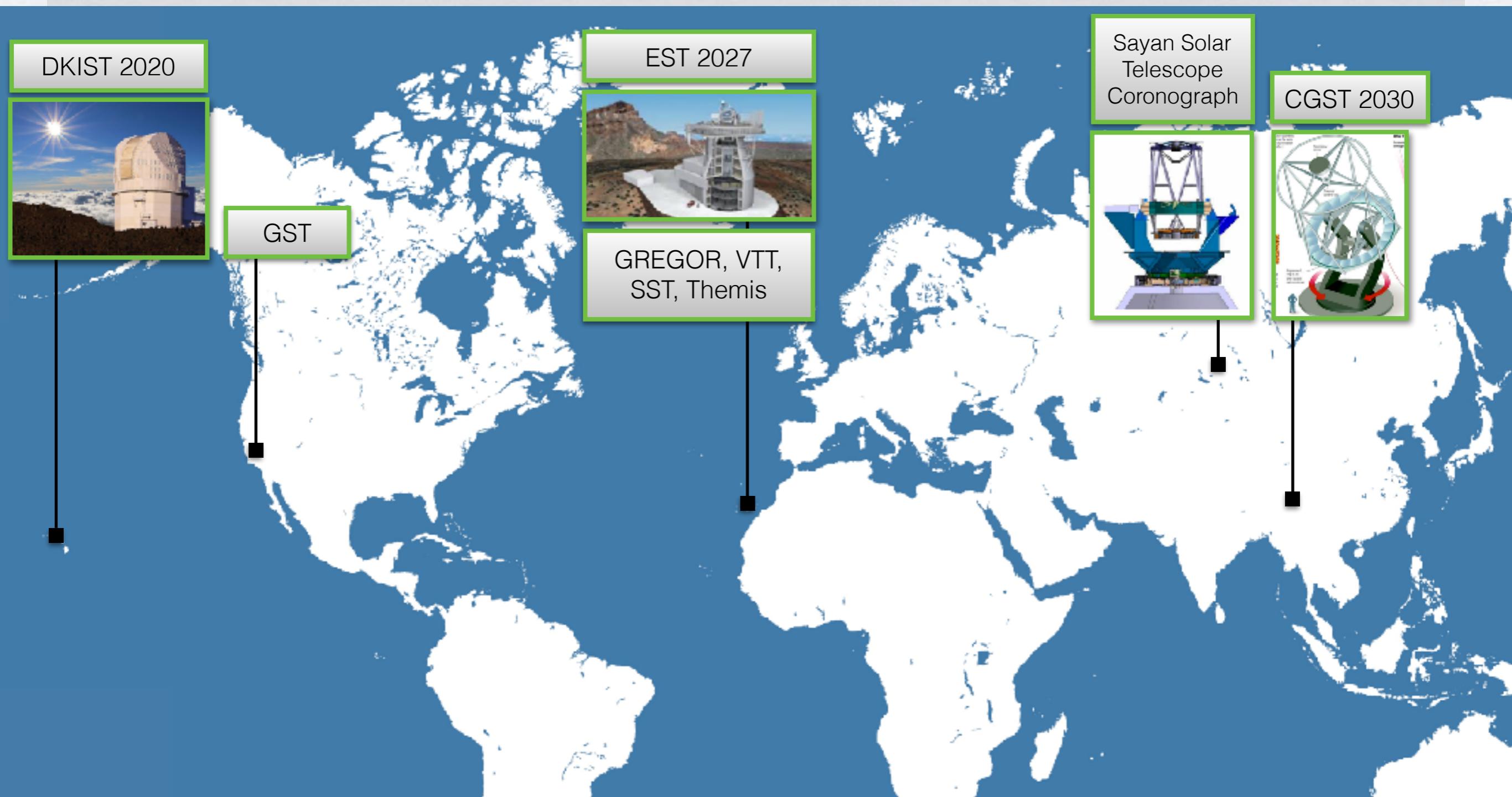
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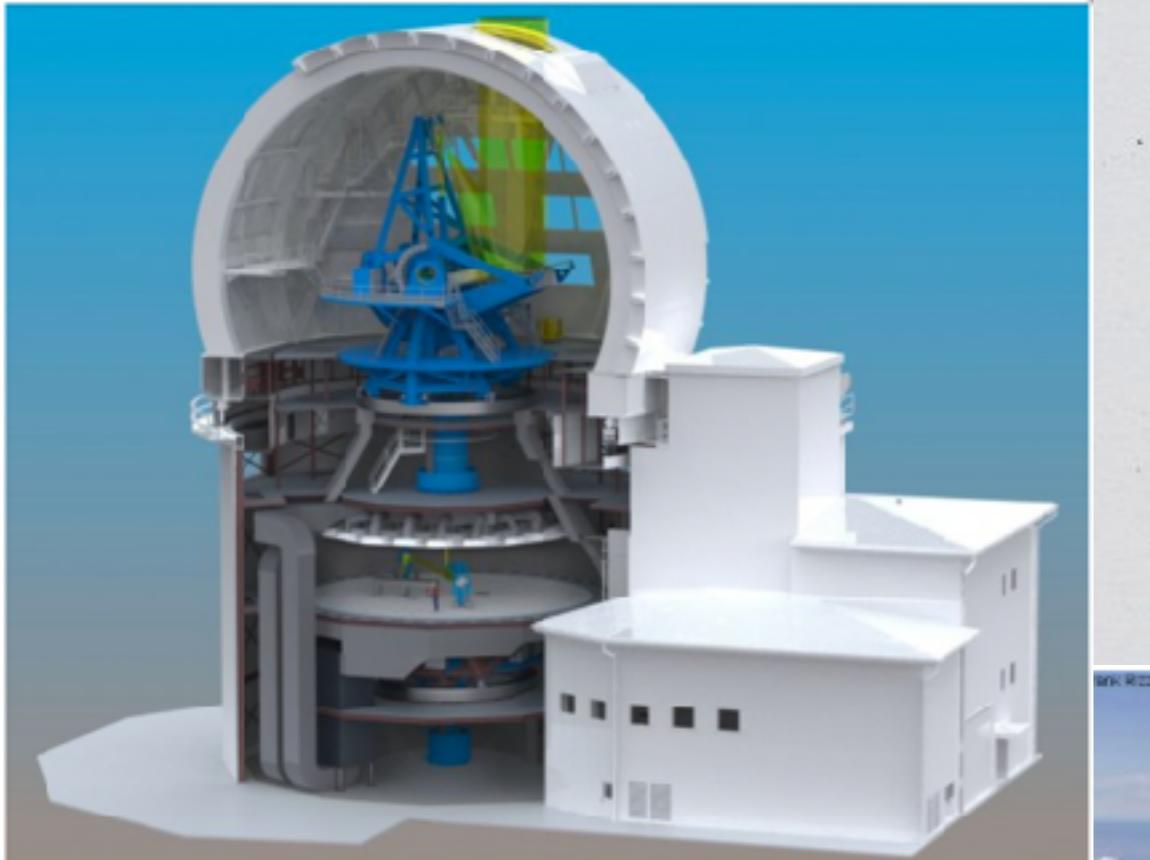
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# Upcoming Solar Telescopes



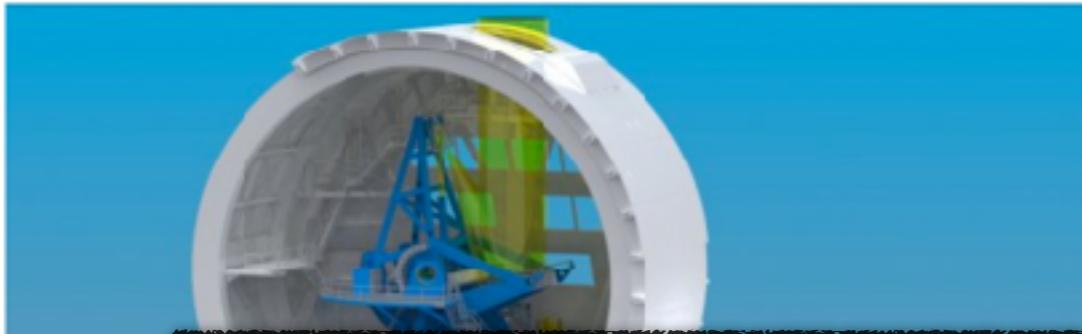
# Upcoming Solar Telescopes



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UK and Germany are contributing to the DKIST project  
with detectors and the VTF 2D spectro-polarimeter



European access to observation and data



# Upcoming Solar Telescopes



**EST Design Study**  
(2008 - 2011)

**SOLARNET**  
(04/2013 – 03/2017)

**GREST**  
GETTING READY FOR EST  
(06/2015 – 05/2018)

**SOLARNET**  
(01/2019 — 12/2022)

**Asterics**  
Astroimetry ESFRI & Research Infrastructure Cluster  
(05/2018 — 04/2019)

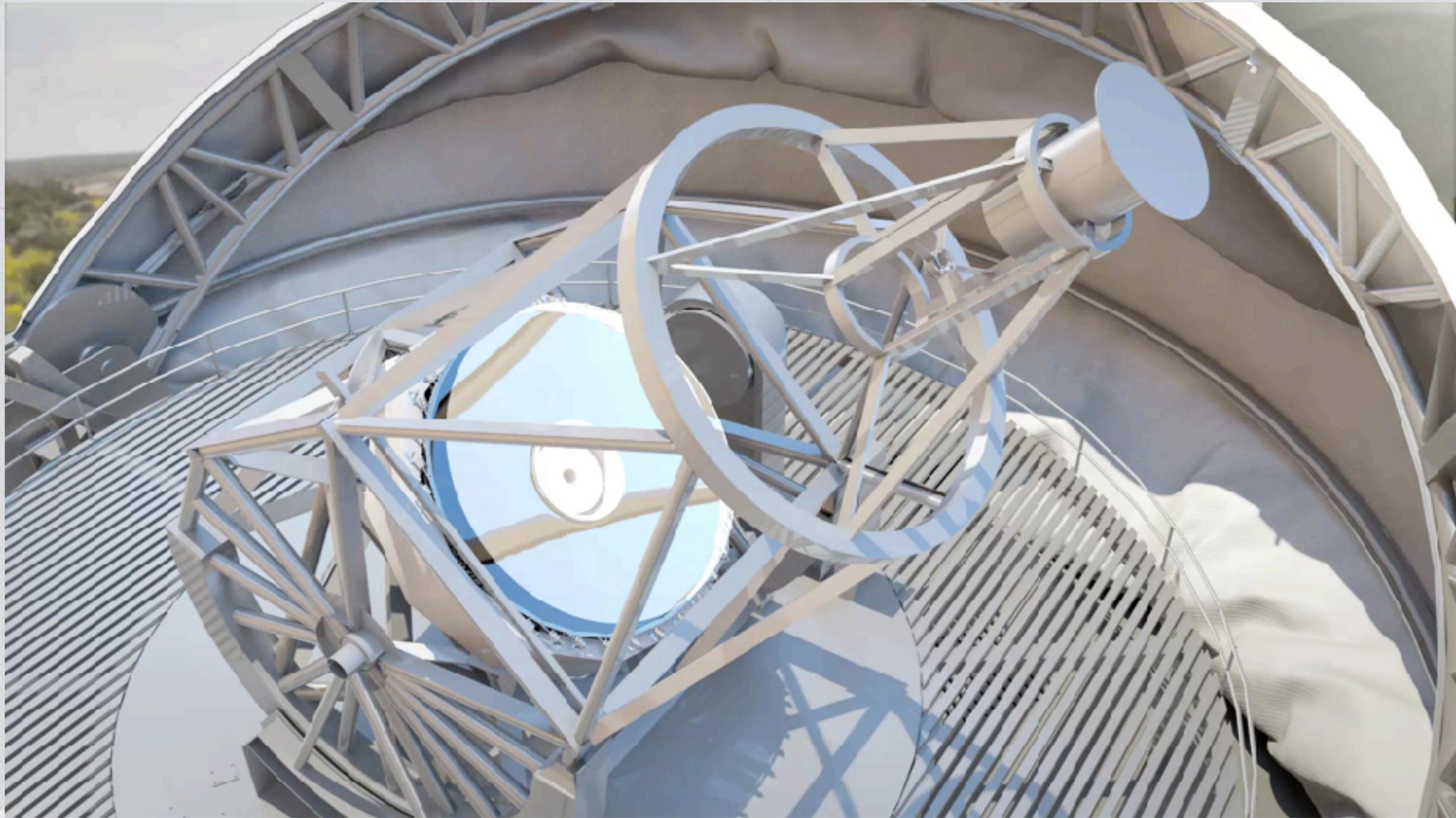
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(02/2019 — 07/2022)

**PRE-EST**  
(04/2017 – 03/2021)

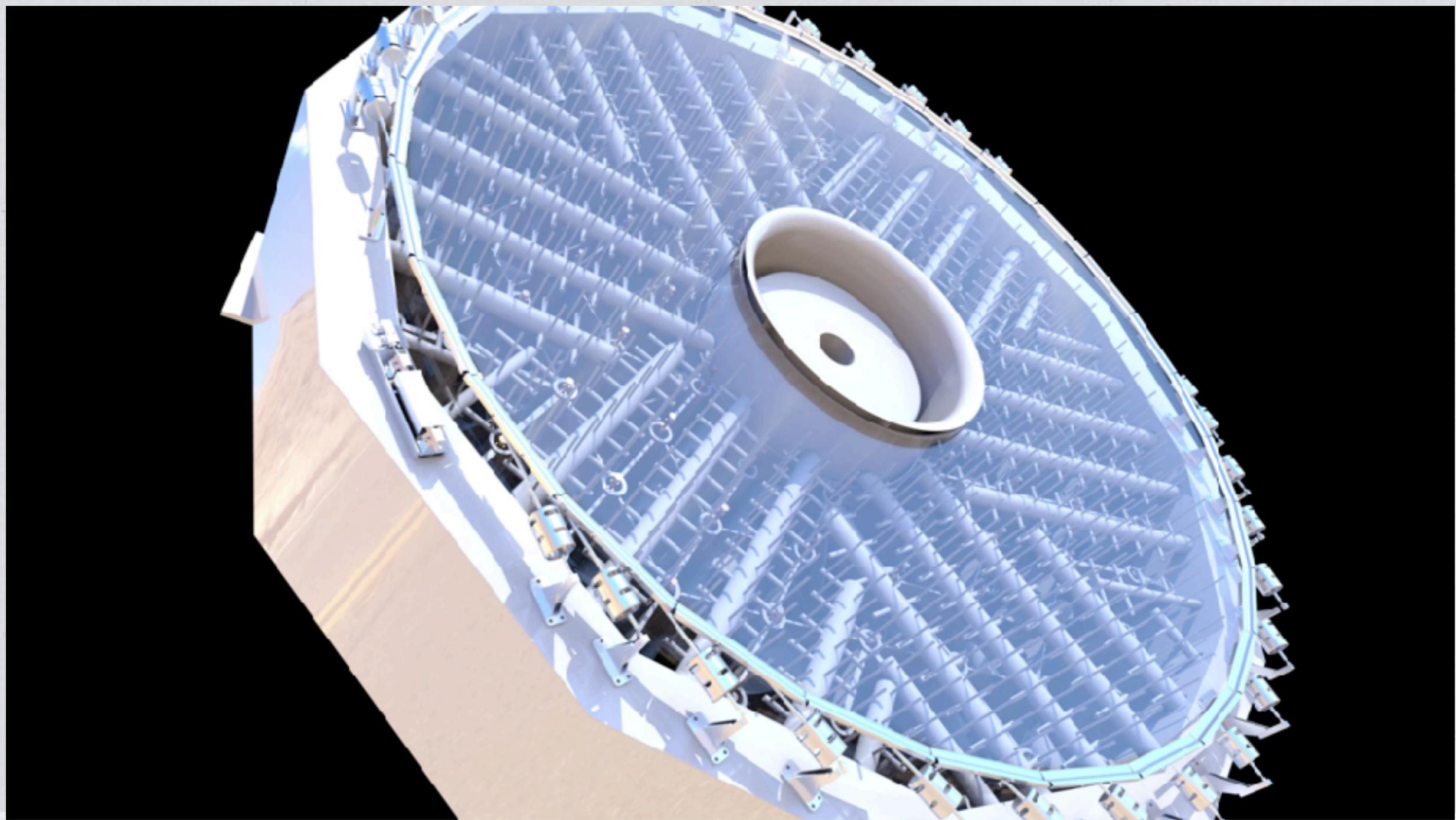
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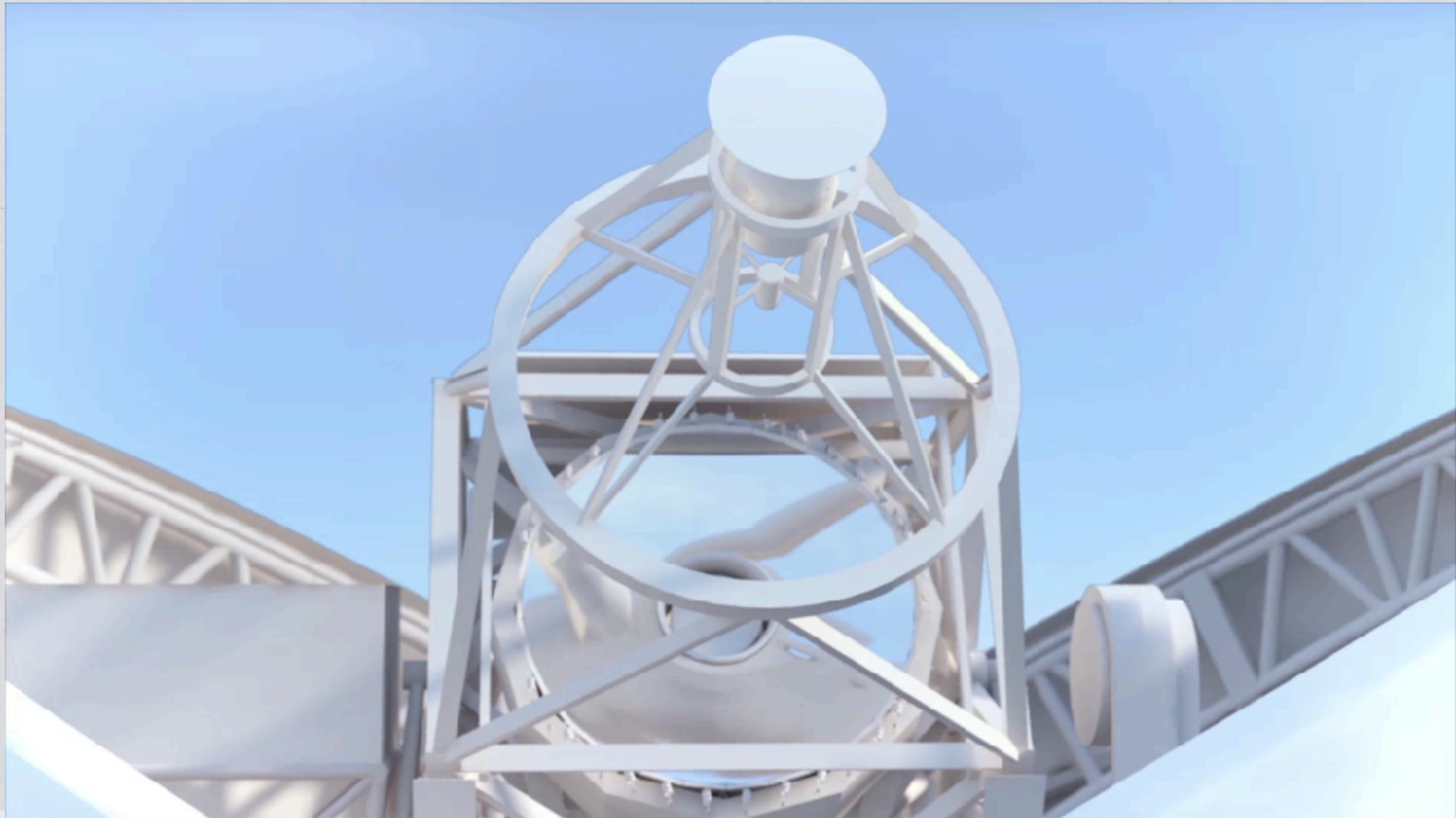
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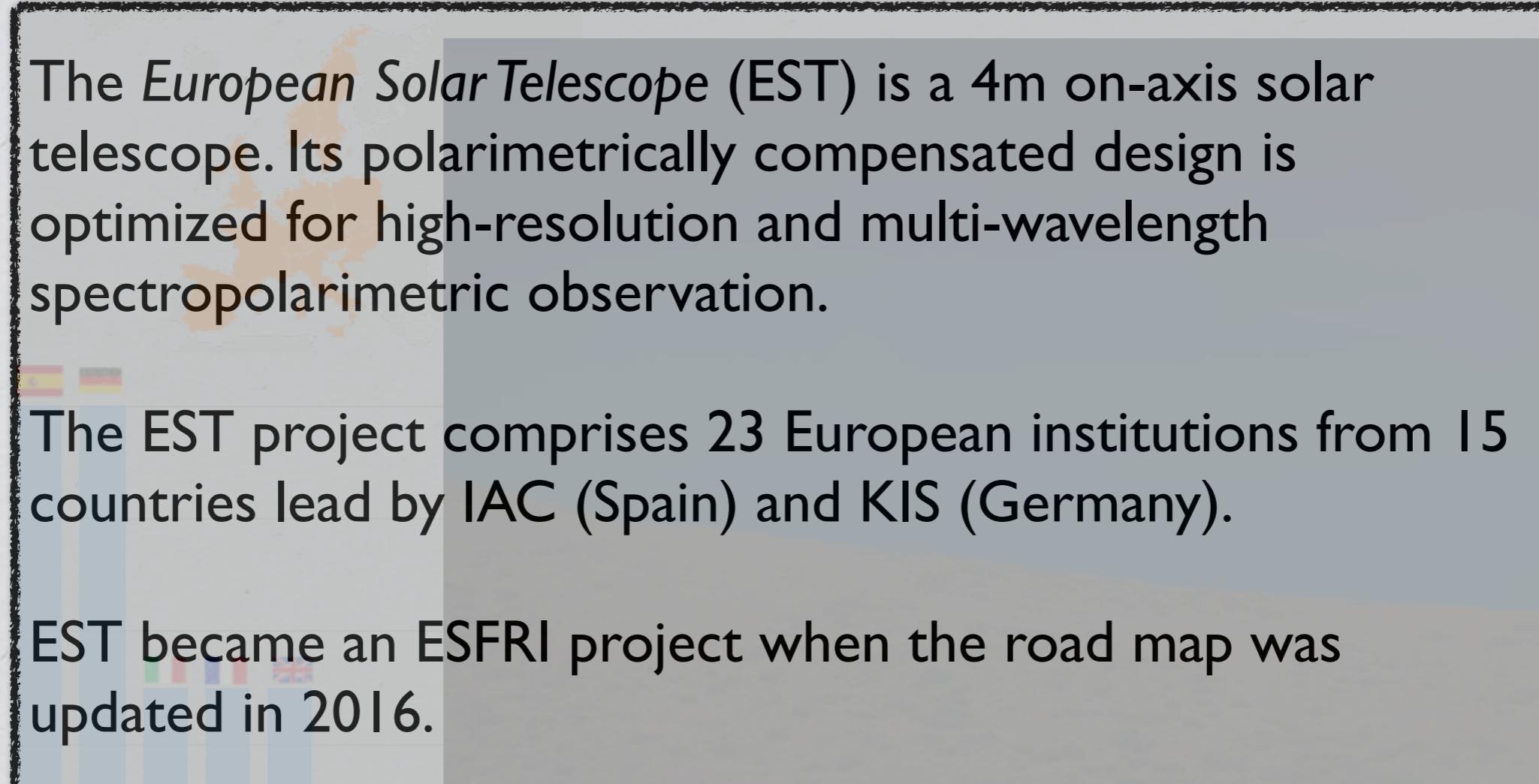
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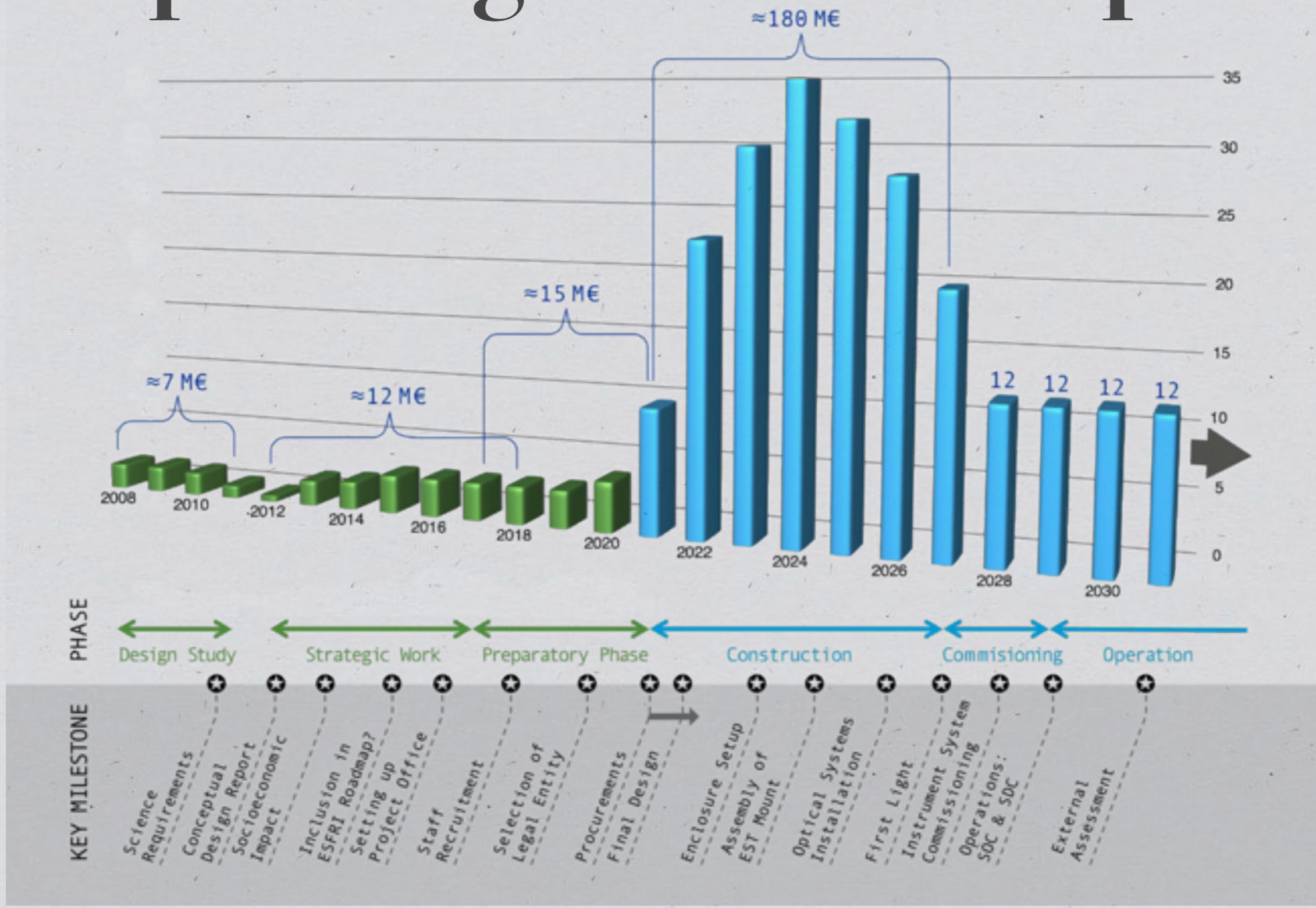
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The *European Solar Telescope* (EST) is a 4m on-axis solar telescope. Its polarimetrically compensated design is optimized for high-resolution and multi-wavelength spectropolarimetric observation.

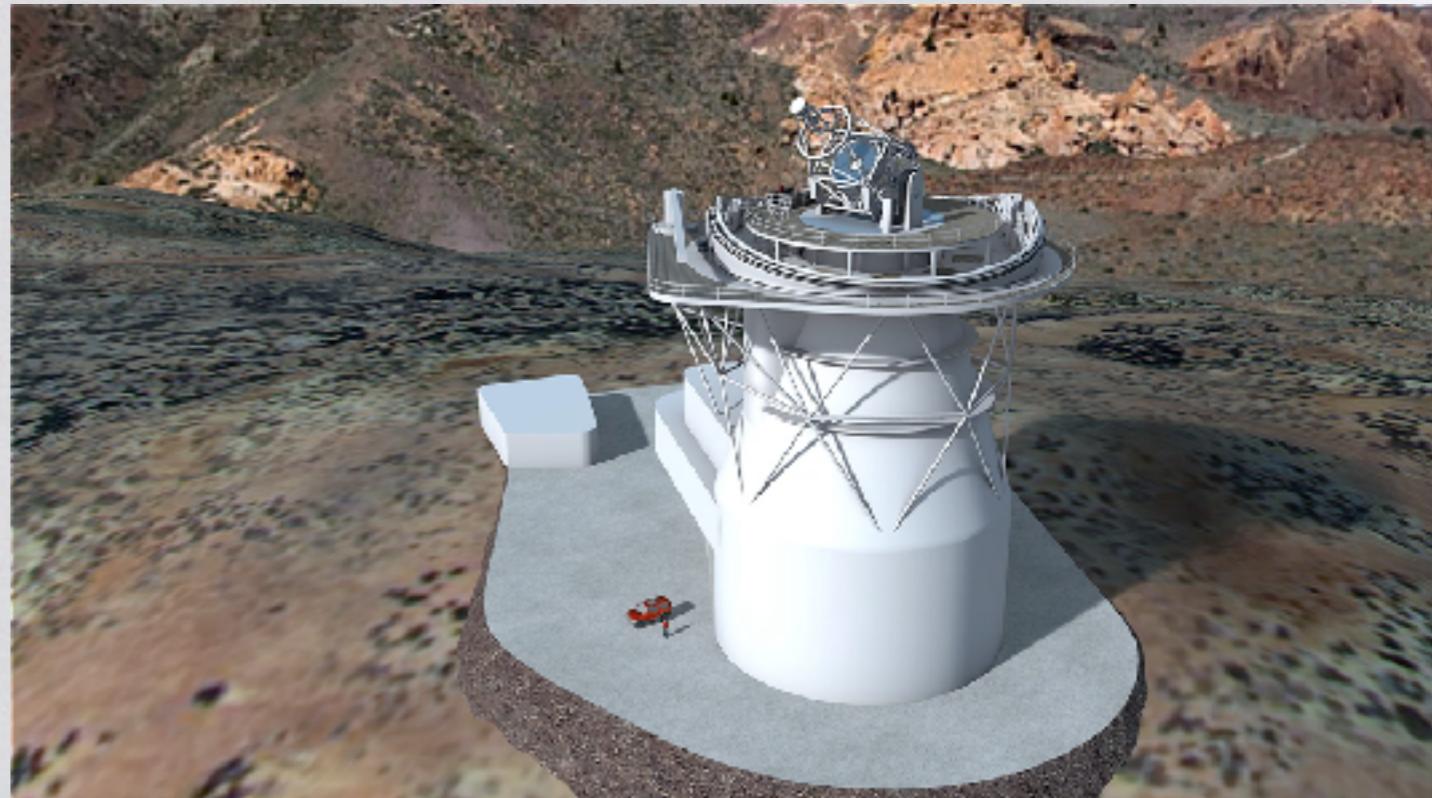
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- Contribution to EST [%]
- | Country  | Contribution (%) |
|----------|------------------|
| Spain    | 25               |
| Germany  | 20               |
| Italy    | 15               |
| France   | 10               |
| Norway   | 8                |
| Sweden   | 7                |
| Austria  | 6                |
| Croatia  | 5                |
| Polaris  | 4                |
| Greece   | 3                |
| Slovakia | 2                |
| Ireland  | 1                |
| Belgium  | 1                |
- The EST project comprises 23 European institutions from 15 countries lead by IAC (Spain) and KIS (Germany).
- EST became an ESFRI project when the road map was updated in 2016.
- KIS joined the ASTERICS network in 2018 as a representative for the EST community. Within the ESCAPE initiative, EST is represented by four beneficiary institutes.

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- ❖ \* Type: Single-sited
- ❖ \* Coordinating country: Spain
- ❖ \* Legal form: probably ERIC
- ❖ \* Funding
  - ▶ Spain: secured
  - ▶ Germany: pending; publication of the German roadmap delayed
  - ▶ Others: secured/pending on the confirmation of German roadmap
- ❖ \* Location
  - ▶ EST will be built on the Canary Islands
  - ▶ Headquarters will be at the Instituto de Astrofisica de Canarias, Tenerife, Spain



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[...]

EST Science Data Center: EST SDC



Apart from the EST Telescope Operation and Science Centre on the Canary Islands, it is also planned to have the EST Science Data Centre in Germany, to provide data access and online services to the solar physics community. This center will provide a storage area to be accessed online through a data management system. Furthermore remote-observing facilities will be installed here.

Costs related to the installation of the telescope at the observatory form an integral part of the EST project budget. However, the construction or use of those spaces at sea-level and at mainland Europe for the EST TOSC and the EST SDC are planned to be covered by additional sources and agreements.

[...]

Online submission form: Research Infrastructure proposal to the 2016 ESFI Roadmap

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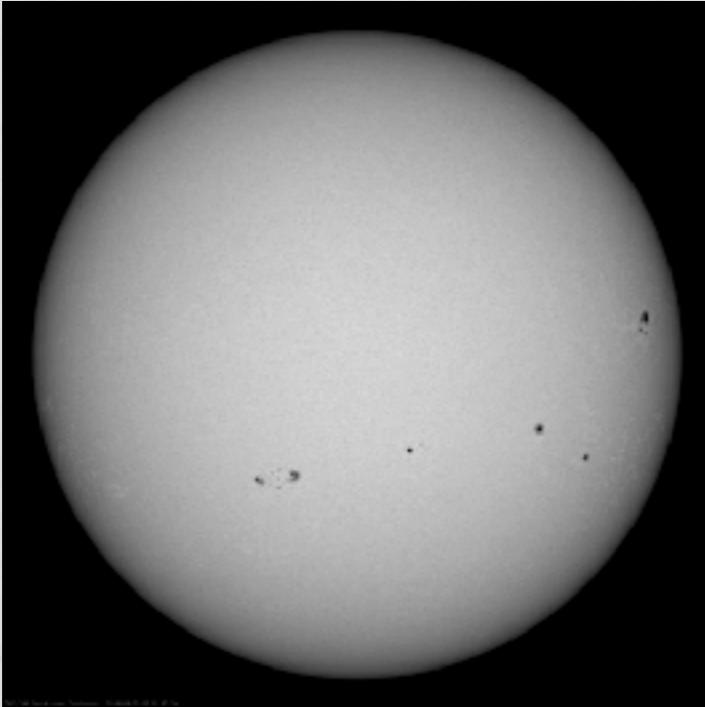
The EST Science Data Centre (EST SDC) will gather all expertise for producing EST science-ready data. Science-ready data will be moved or duplicated from the processing centre to the mainland Europe Virtual Observatory Compliant Data-Base (VOCDB). The SDC will be the nucleus of the scientific life of EST, where scientists are expected to come for a full data analysis and share results. If communication bandwidth allows, remote control of the infrastructure shall also be possible from the SDC. The SDC will also be in charge of the long-term data storage and the VO-diffusion of EST data. The VOCDB shall take charge of the interoperability with the VOCDB from other facilities.

The SDC shall have offices for specialized staff in data reduction and analysis and for visiting astronomers to work on, and get familiar with, the EST data. Computing and storage capacities will be enough to guarantee the successful handling of EST data to generate innovative results.

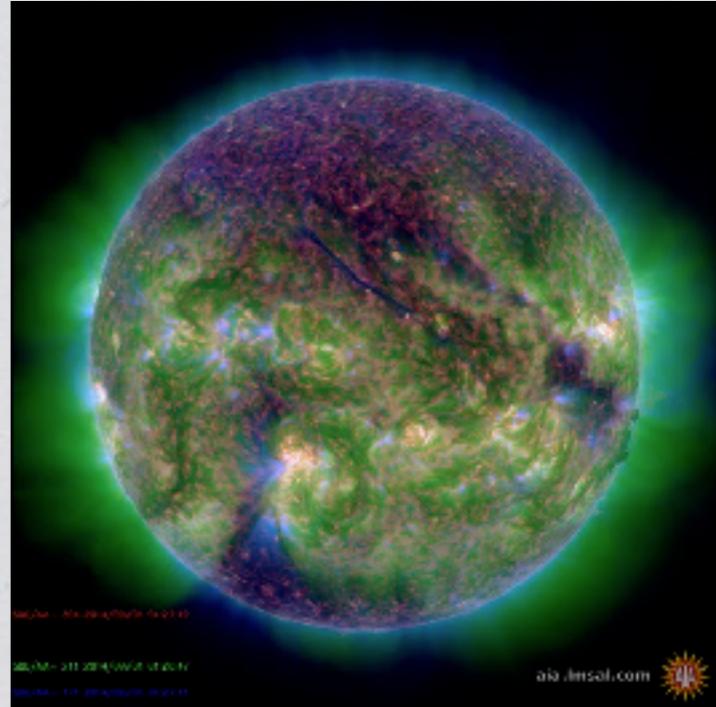
The SDC will organize special events to gather scientific visitors there to foster discussion forums and workshops based on EST data and results.

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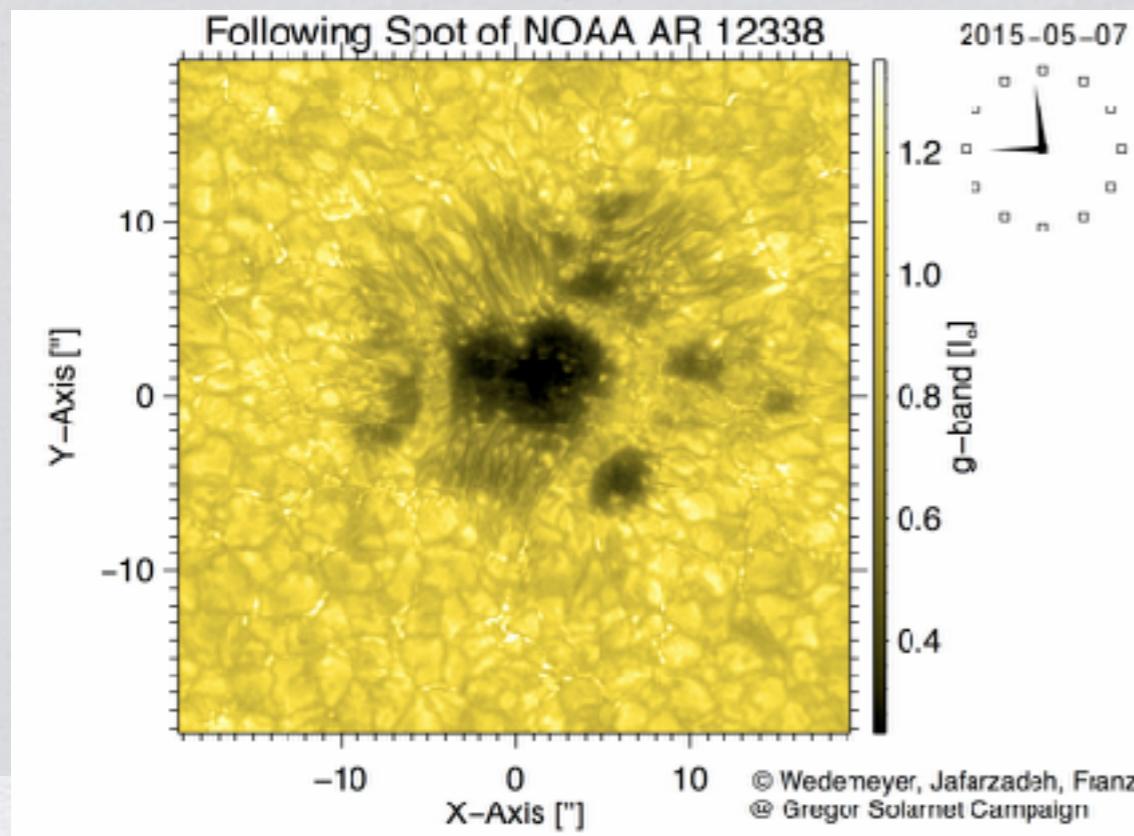
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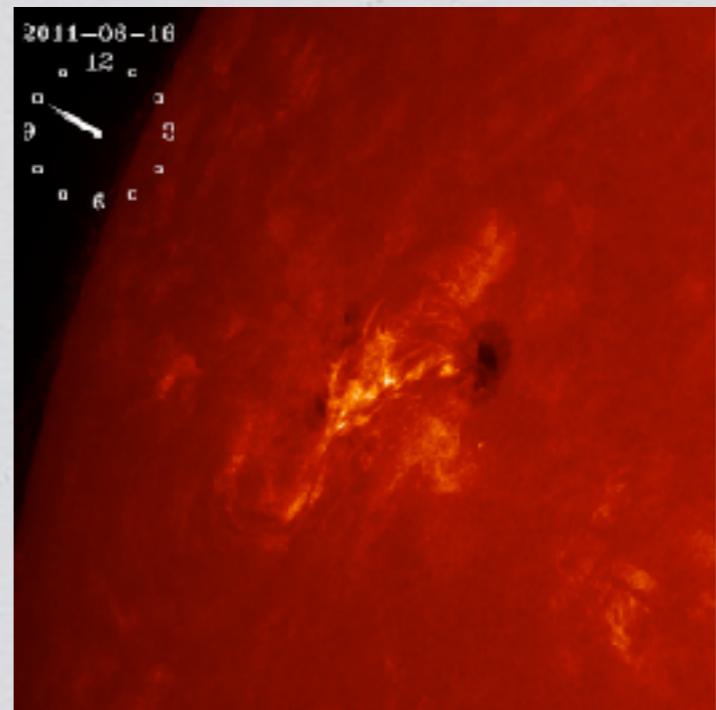
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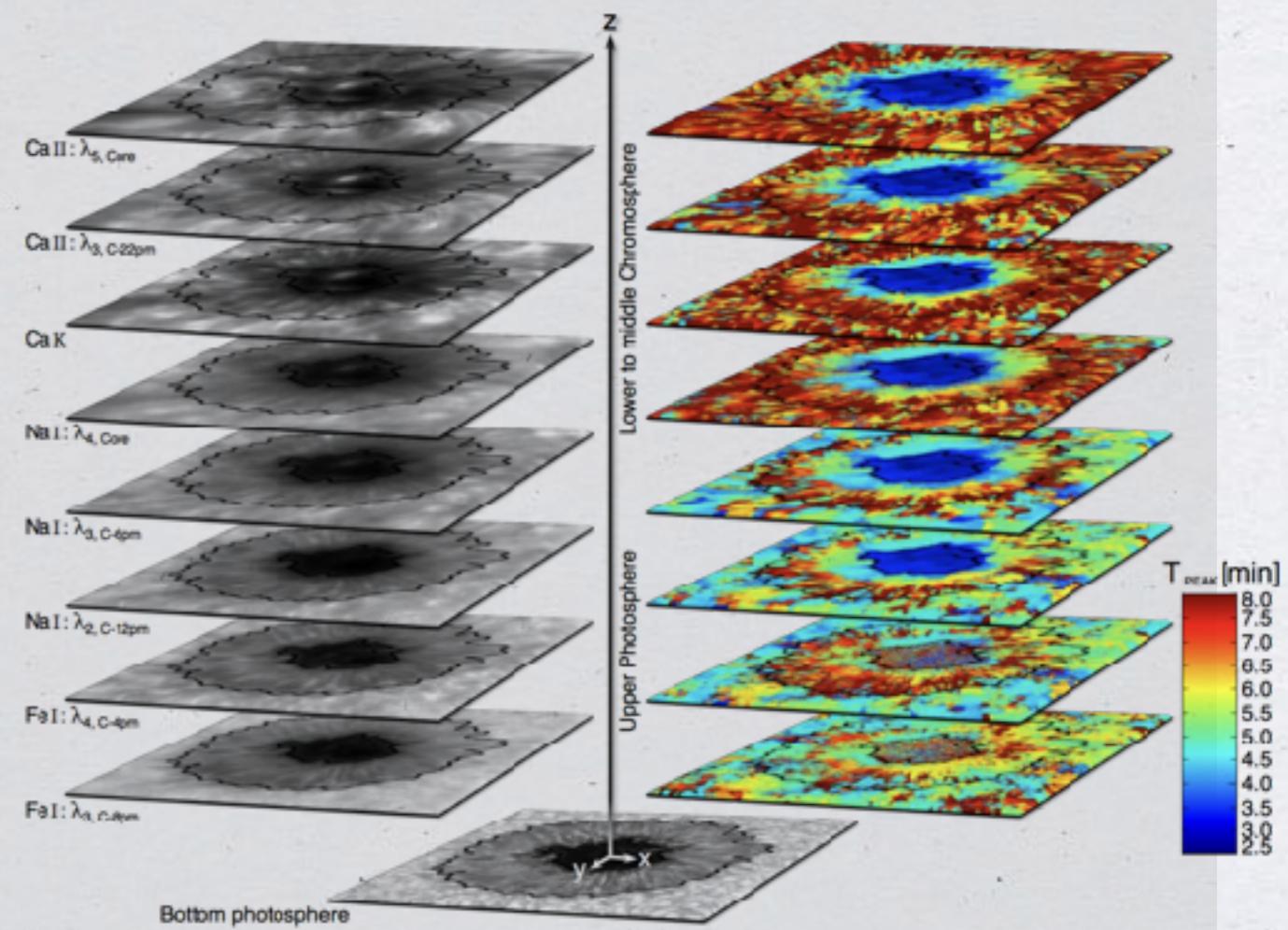
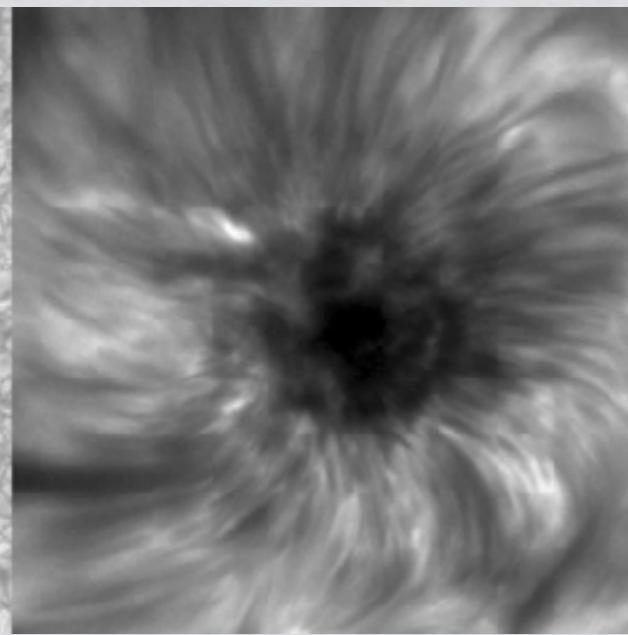
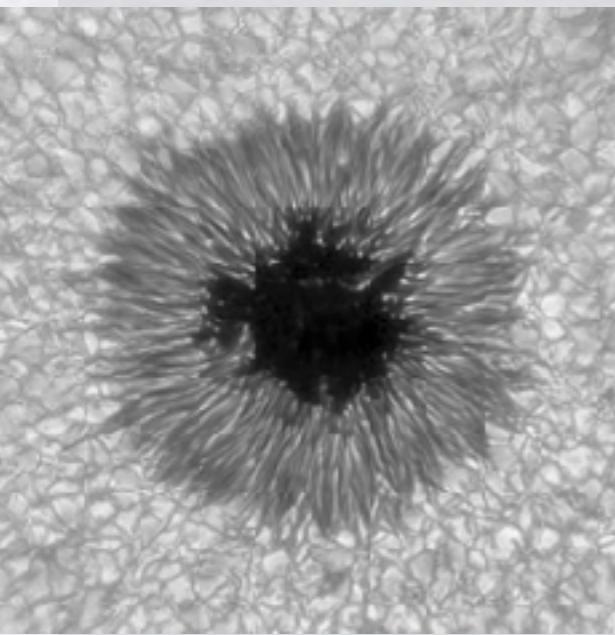
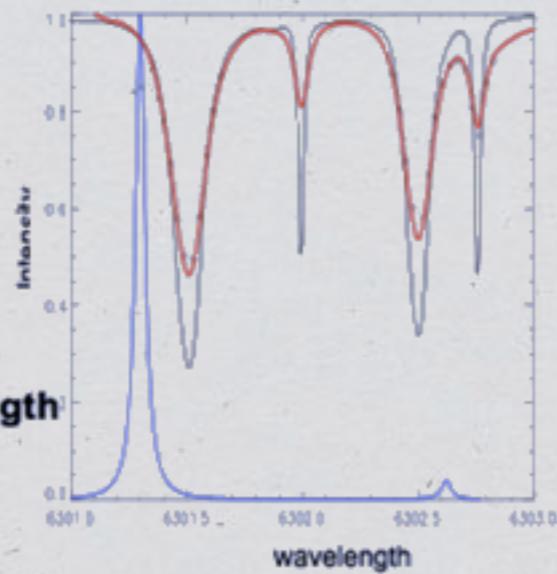
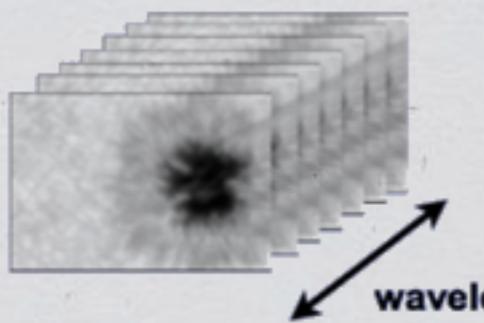


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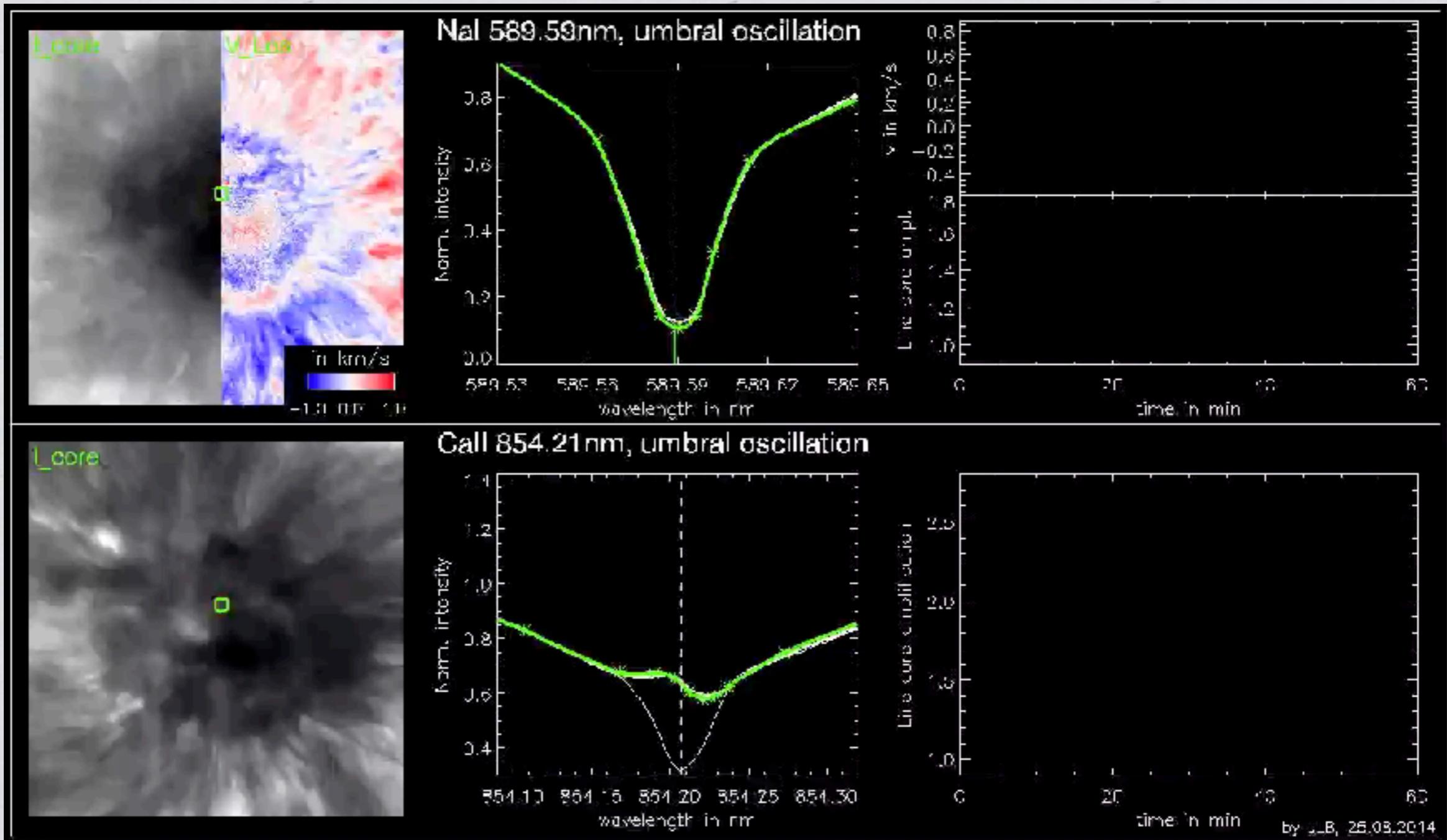


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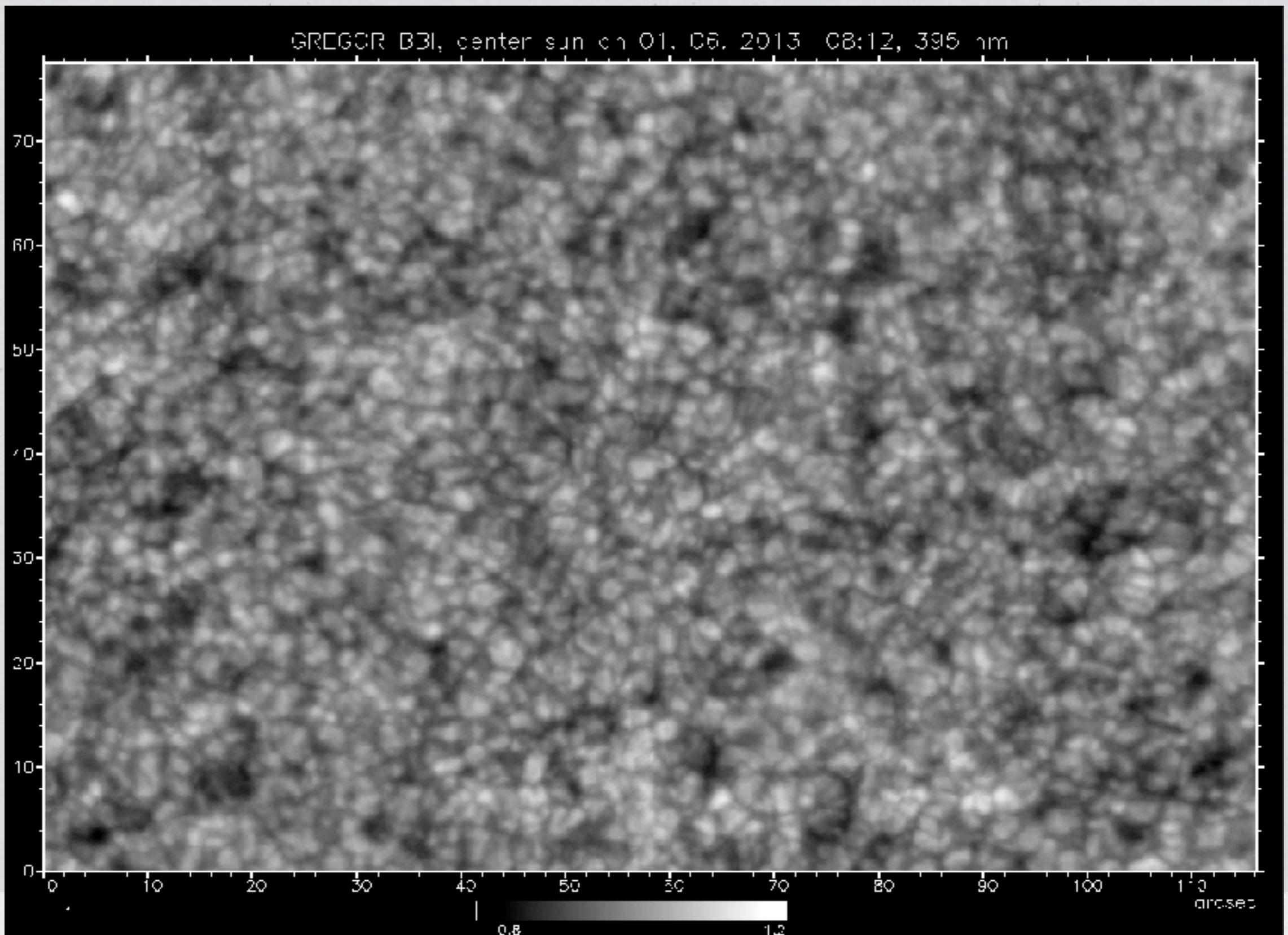
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- ❖ \* Some characteristics of ground-based solar observation:
  - ▶ Varying atmospheric observing condition (seeing).
  - ▶ Target based (quiet Sun, sunspots, pores, plages, faculae, etc.) with a limited FOV. Pointing information become important.
  - ▶ Versatile and non-standardized observing modes as well as novel science (multi-wavelength, ...) make it difficult to unify data pipelines.
  - ▶ Upgrade might change the data characteristics for a given (upgraded) instrument.

The major challenge for the archiving and dissemination of ground-based solar observation is the inherent heterogeneity of the data

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GRIS archive 2.0 (unofficial beta version)

The screenshot shows the SDC - Solar Data Centre search interface. At the top, there is a header bar with a back button, a search bar containing "manama:8080/sdc/", and various browser icons. Below the header is a navigation bar with a "Home" link and the SDC logo.

The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Select Instrument:** A toggle switch is set to "GRIS at GREGOR". There is also an option for "LARS at VTT".
- General Search Options:**
  - Observation Date [YYYY-MM-DD]:** Two input fields showing "2014-05-01" and "2014-05-31".
  - Observation Time [HH:MM]:** Two input fields showing "00:00" and "23:59".
  - Position on Solar Disk [θ]:** Two input fields showing "0 to 90" and "0 to 90". A "Off disc" checkbox is checked.
  - Position on Solar Disk [μ]:** Two input fields showing "0 to 1" and "0 to 1". A "Off disc" checkbox is checked.
- GRIS Search options:**
  - Observation Wavelength:** A series of radio buttons for wavelengths: 1083nm, 1175nm, 1555nm, 1564nm, 1565nm. The 1565nm button is selected.
  - Observation Type:** Radio buttons for "Single Map" and "Time Sequence". "Time Sequence" is selected.
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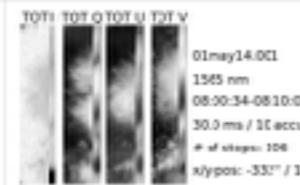
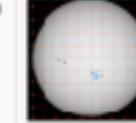
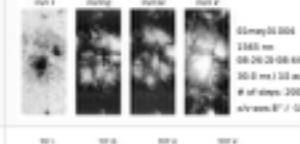
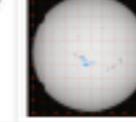
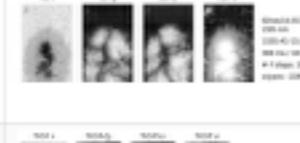
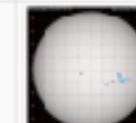
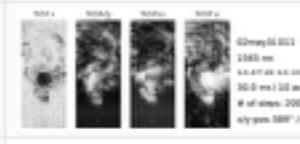
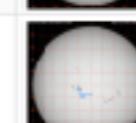
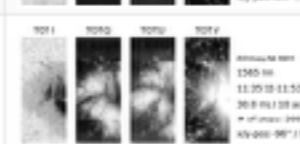
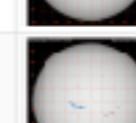
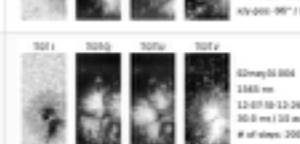
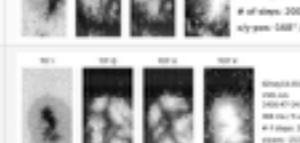
At the bottom of the search form are two buttons: "Reset" and "Search SDC".

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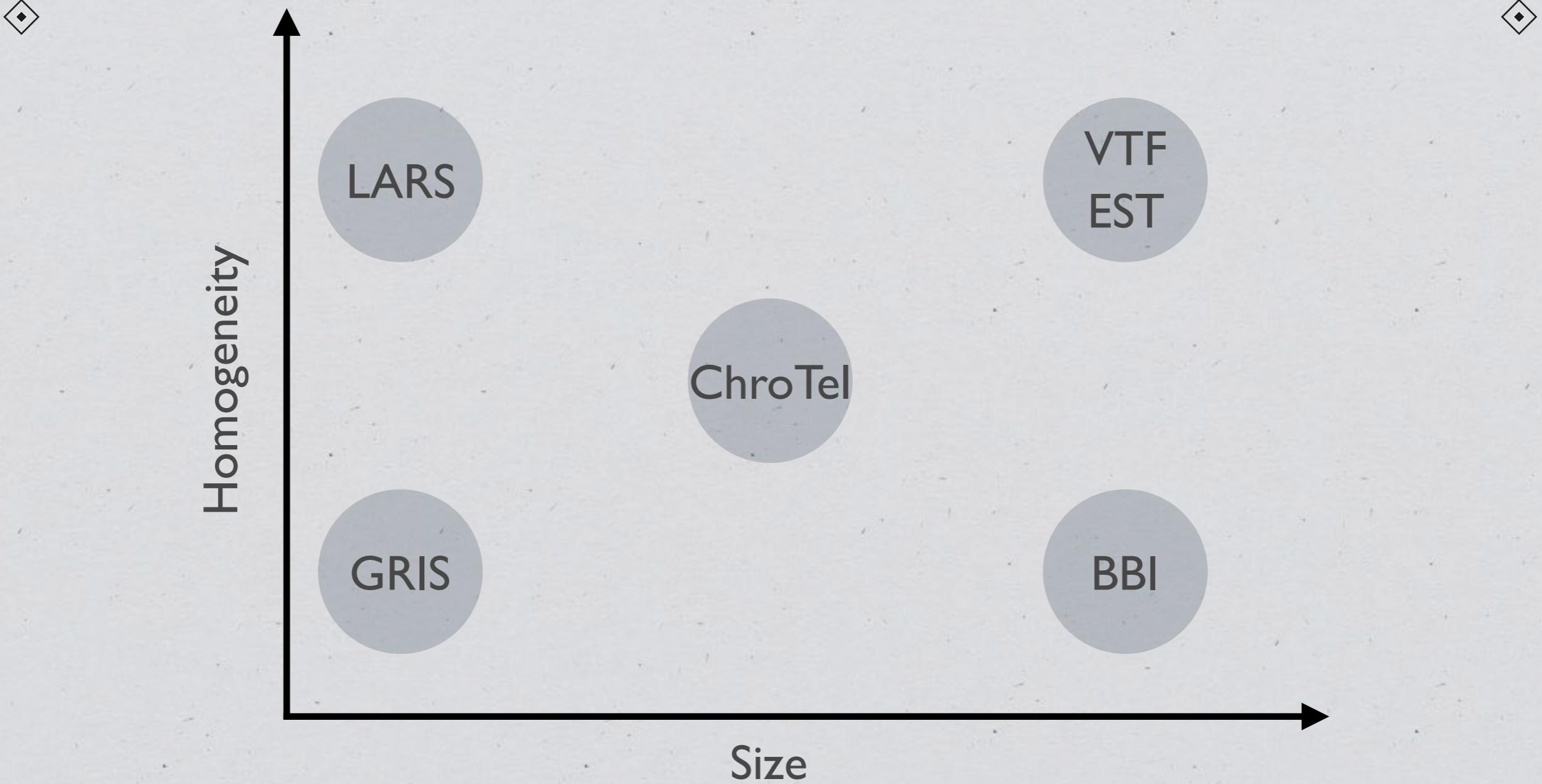
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### GREGOR Data Center

The result of your search:

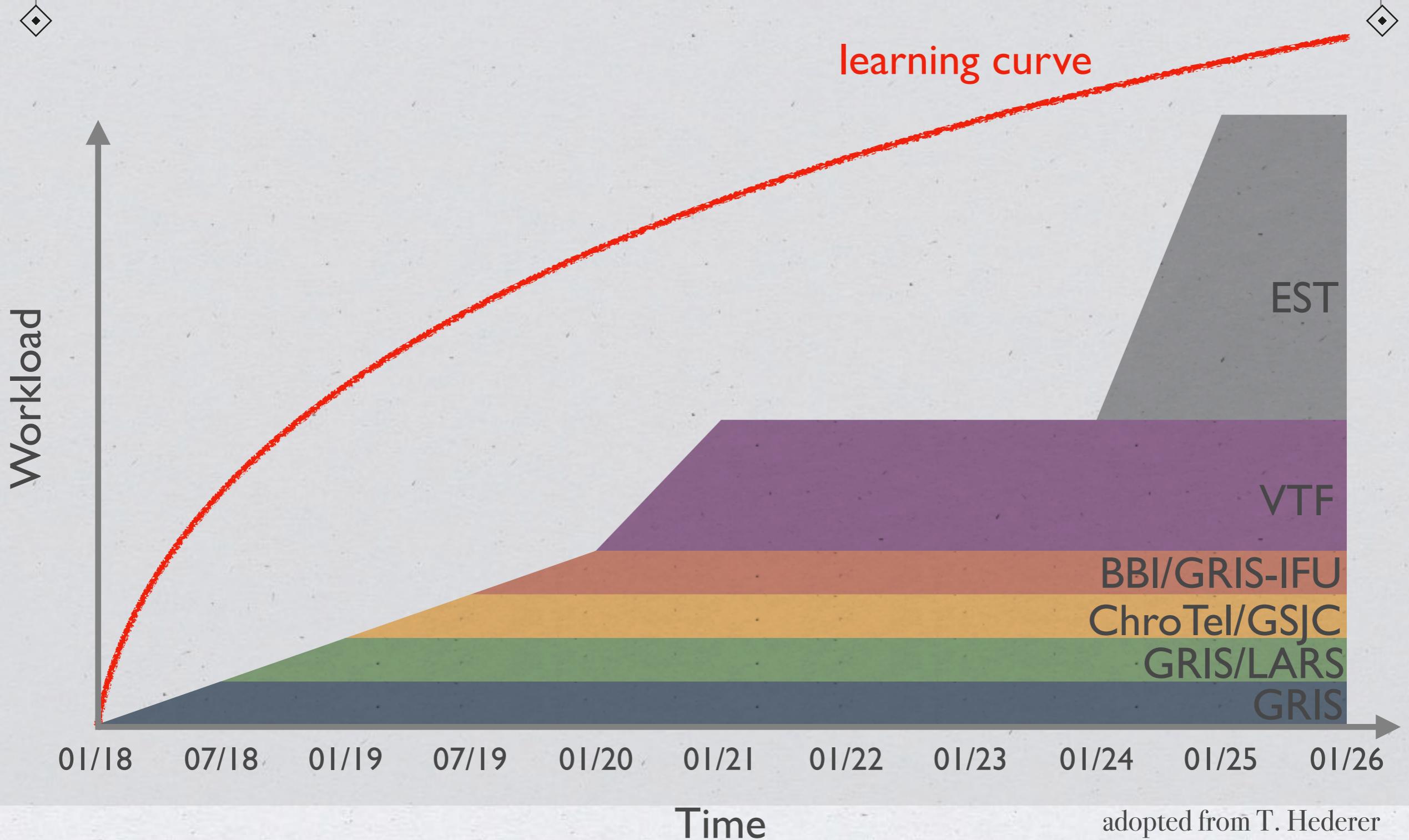
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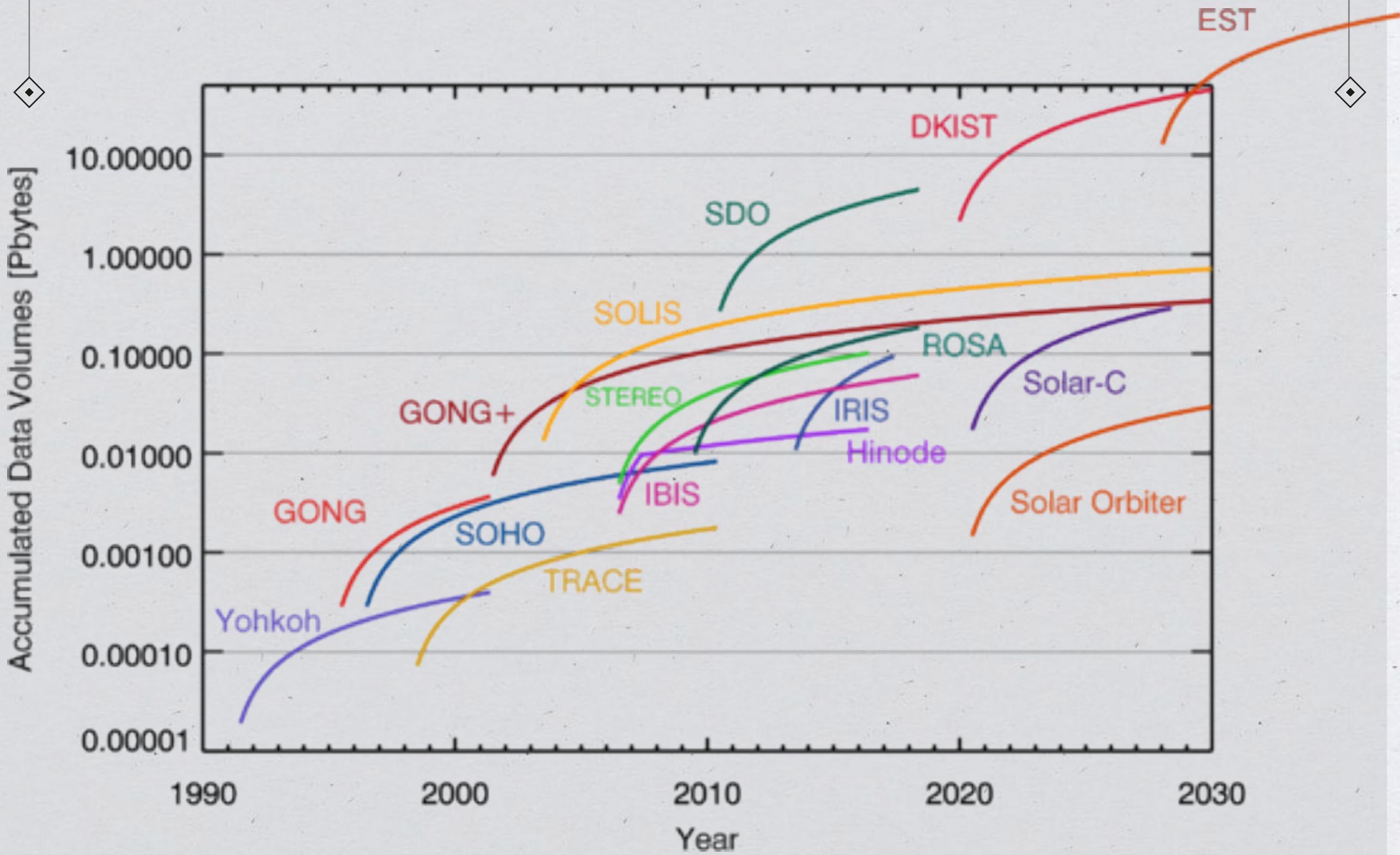


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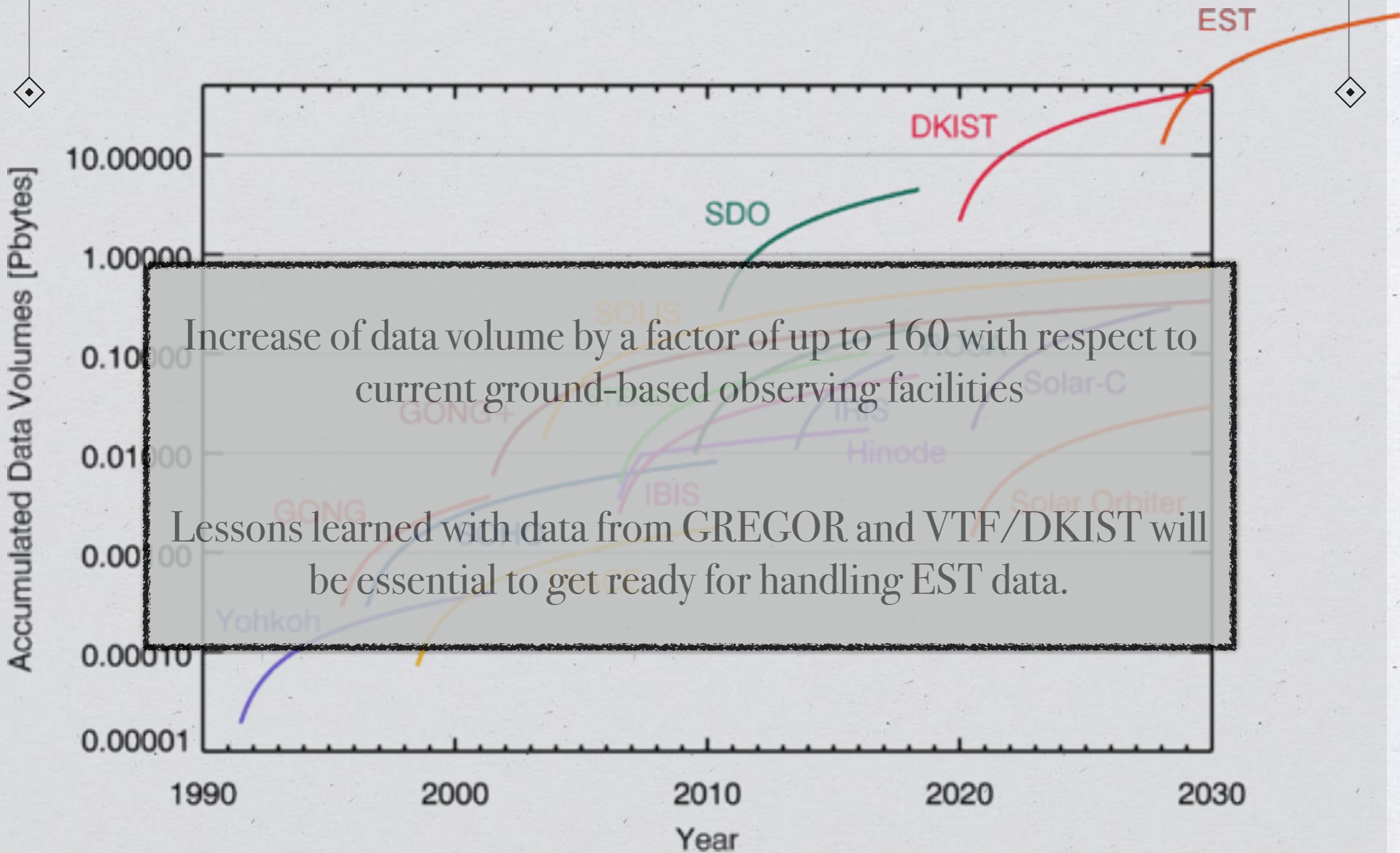


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- ◆ The size, the complexity, and the operational cost of the new generation of ground based solar telescopes require a paradigm change on how scientists obtain and work with observational data.

PI based data acquisition with data belonging to the observer.  
Individual calibration/reduction steps followed by a data evaluation of a small team of scientist.



Standardized observing runs performed by experienced (on site) observers. Data reduction via automatized pipelines and subsequent injection into online archives. Dissemination of open source data and higher level data products via the internet.  
Provision of data exploration, visualization and analysis tools.

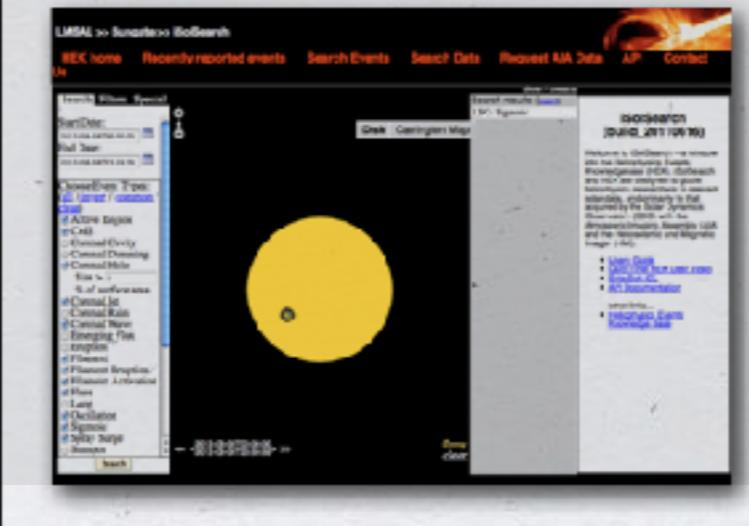
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- ◆ There is a need to make distribution and discovery of data as easy as possible, especially for ground based solar observation

Data archives, e.g., VSO



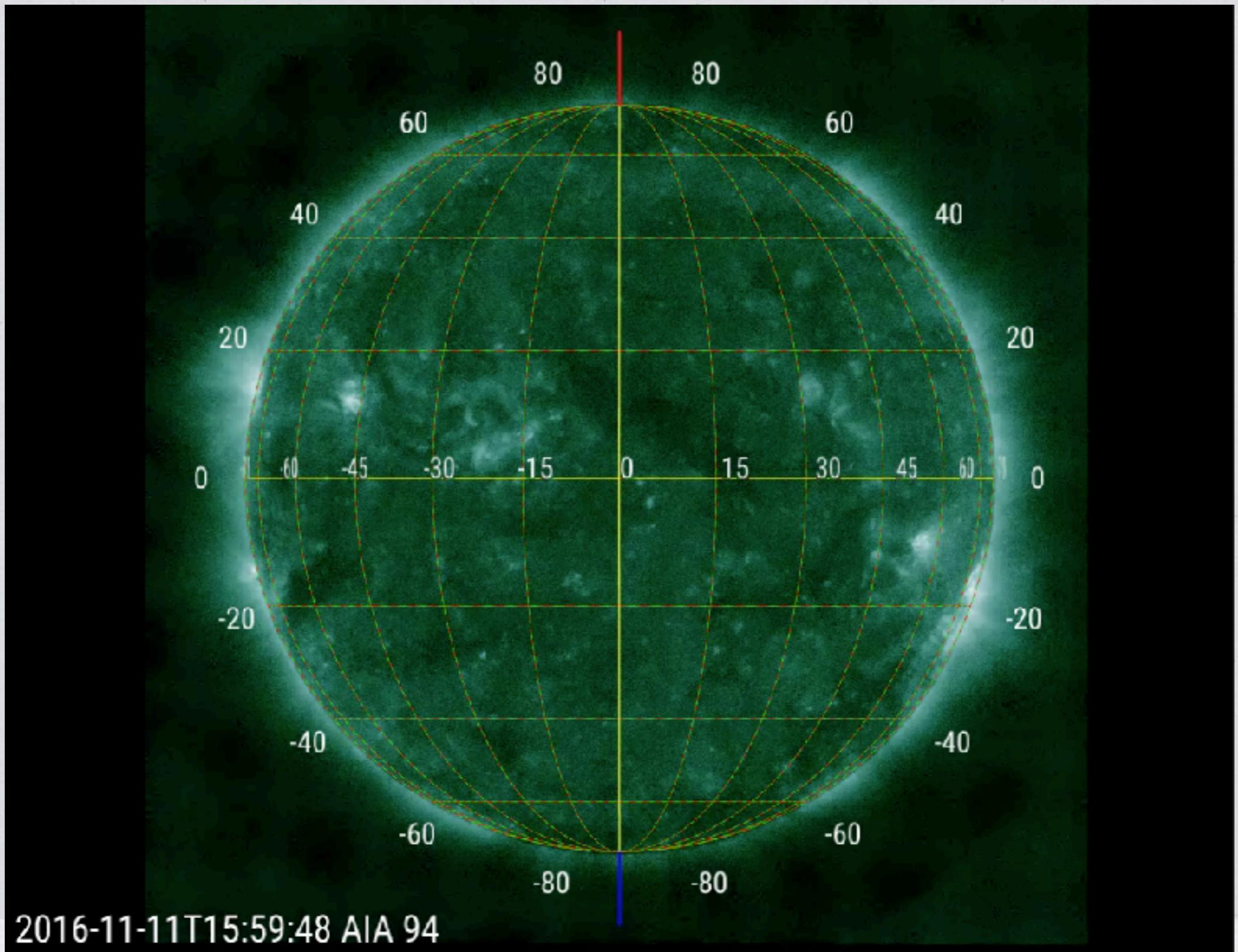
Event searching, e.g., HEK



Browsing tools, e.g., (j)Helioviewer



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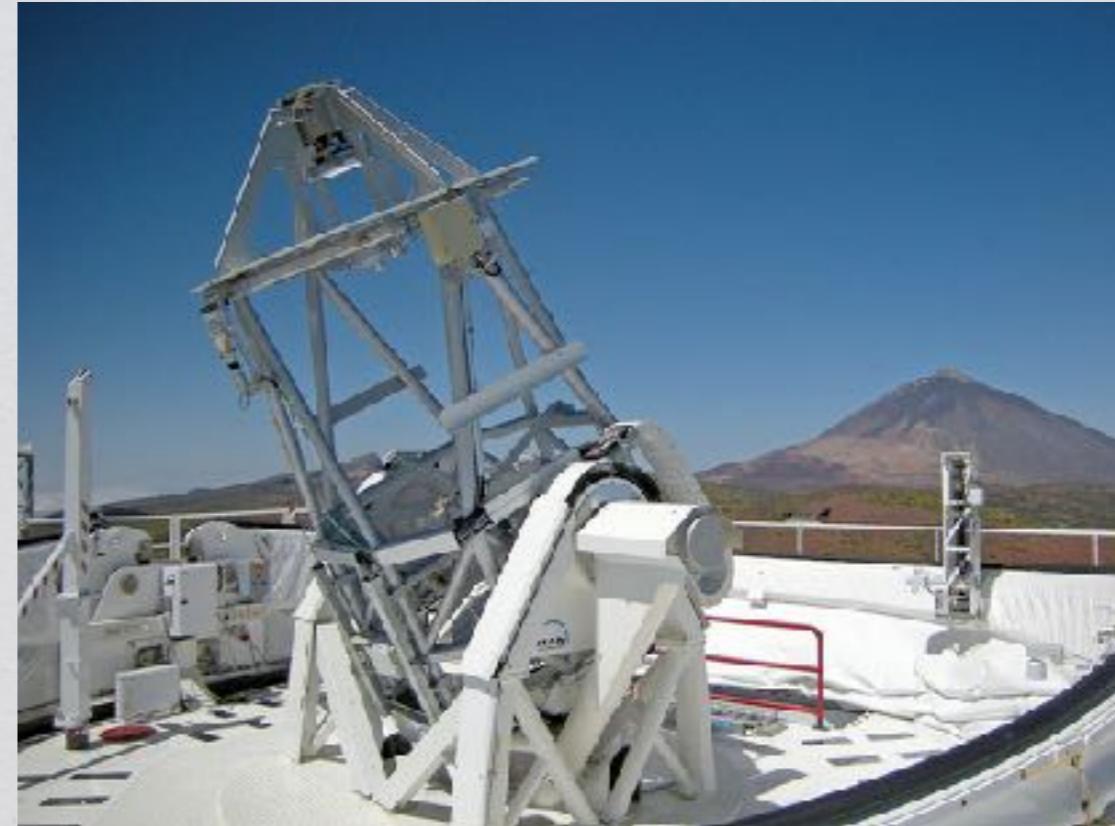


# Summary

- \* A new class of ground-based Solar Telescopes is on the horizon.
- \* Size and data volume of these telescopes require service mode observation and pre-defined standards for (meta)data.
- \* Challenges are the flexibility of the facilities and the subsequent heterogeneity of the data. Efforts to overcome these problems are undertaken, e.g. within the framework of the SOLARNET project.
- \* Adopting existing (meta)data standards from the astronomical community (IVOA) will be of great help for the solar community.

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