

# Jets, Blazars and the EBL in the *GLAST-EXIST* Era

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## Motivation

- GLAST key science of Blazars and GRBs: both incorporate time-variable studies of jets
- Common physics of relativistic shocks and lepton jets and synchrotron-IC emission
- *Both require broad-band X-ray and  $\gamma$ -ray spectra, high time resolution & positions for source identification and understanding emission model*

A wide-field all-sky hard X-ray imager needs to  
*EXIST*

(or at least overlap) in the GLAST time-frame ...

## Background for *EXIST*

(Energetic X-ray Imaging Survey Telescope)

- Deep all-sky (every orbit) hard X-ray (3-600 keV) survey mission to study/survey black holes on all scales
  - Proposed in 1994 and recommended in 2000 Decadal Survey (like GLAST and Con-X)
  - Well-studied candidate for *Black Hole Finder Probe* mission in Beyond Einstein program
  - Now competing with two other *Einstein Probe* missions (JDEM and CMBPol) and LISA & Con-X for first-mission (2009 start) in Beyond Einstein Program in NRC-BEPAC review (decision by Sept. 2007)
  - Very similar (but independently derived) mission profile (continuous-scanning very wide field imaging) to GLAST
- Mission Overview of *EXIST* (on a single slide, *next...* )

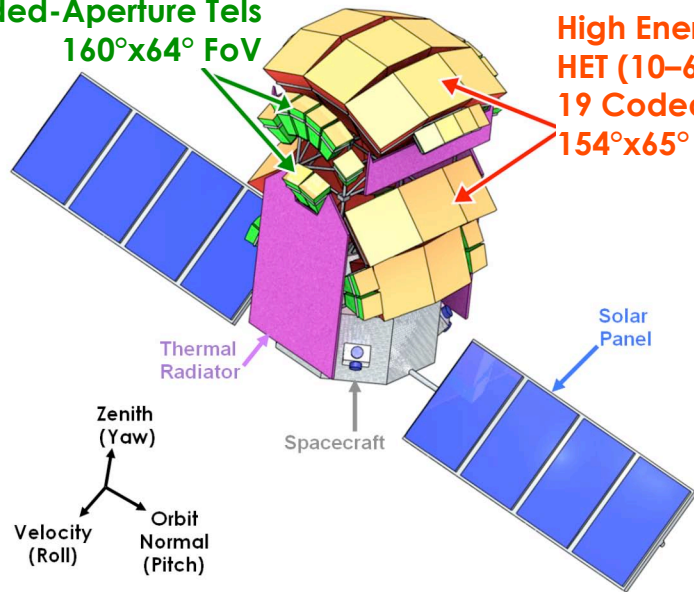
## Energetic X-ray Imaging Survey Telescope (EXIST) (as the *Black Hole Finder Probe* for the Beyond Einstein Program)

*Hard X-ray (~3–600keV) all-sky imaging survey each 95 min orbit to measure, as **Primary Objectives:***

- Obscured or dormant SMBHs to probe SMBH properties & evolution, CXB origin & accretion luminosity of the universe
- The birth of stellar BHs from cosmic GRBs to probe GRB origins, derive photo-z's & cosmic structure/evol. out to  $z > 6-10$
- Non-thermal jets from BHs to constrain BH-jet physics, cosmic IR background & nuclear luminosity of the universe
- Stellar and IMBHs in the Galaxy & Local Group to constrain BH numbers, properties, formation & evolution

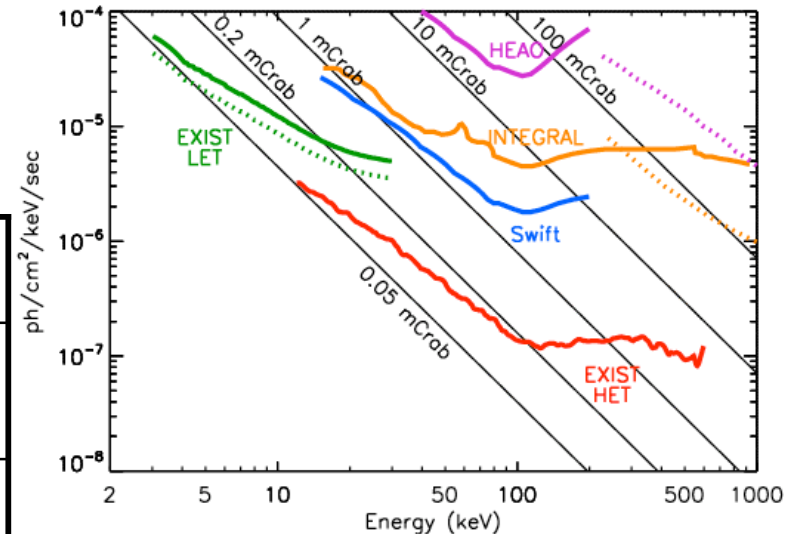
*Plus **Secondary Objectives:** 511keV from BHs & novae; SGRs/magnetars out to 150Mpc;  $^{44}\text{Ti}$  survey & SN rate in Galaxy*

**Low Energy Telescope**  
LET (3–30 keV)  
32 Coded-Aperture Tels  
160°x64° FoV



**High Energy Telescope**  
HET (10–600 keV)  
19 Coded-Aperture Tels  
154°x65° FoV

<b>Survey</b>	<b>No. Obj.</b>
AGN	>3. E4
GRBs	700/y
<b>Flux lim</b>	<b>Full sky</b>
$dE=E/2$ in:	1y (cgs)
3-100 keV	5 E-13
≤600 keV	5 E-12
<b>Time Res.</b>	<b>Units</b>
ea. Photon	0.1msec
GRB pos.	10sec
Mission dur	5y
<b>En. Resol.</b>	<b>dE/E (%)</b>
3-600 keV	2 – 6%



**EXIST 1yr survey continuum sensitivity ( $5\sigma$  source,  $dE/E=1$ )**

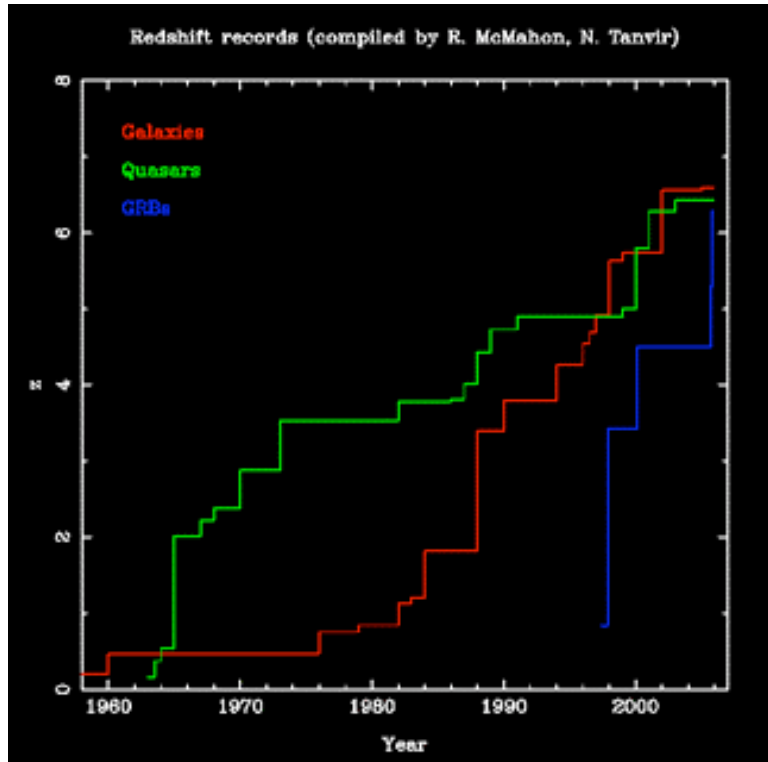
- All-sky image ea. orbit with 1.2' (3-30keV) & 6.8' (10-600keV) resol. &  $\leq 11''$  positions,  $10\mu\text{sec}$  timing,  $\sim 20\%$  duty cycle
- Two wide-field scanning coded aperture telescopes: **HET: 10–600 keV (6m<sup>2</sup> CZT)** & **LET: 3– 30 keV (1.3m<sup>2</sup> Si)**; 5Mbs cont
- Recommended by 2000 Decadal Survey; strong synergy with GLAST, JWST, LSST, Con-X & LISA if launched in 2015

<http://EXIST.gsfc.nasa.gov>

# Unravelling GRBs and high- $\Gamma$ jets

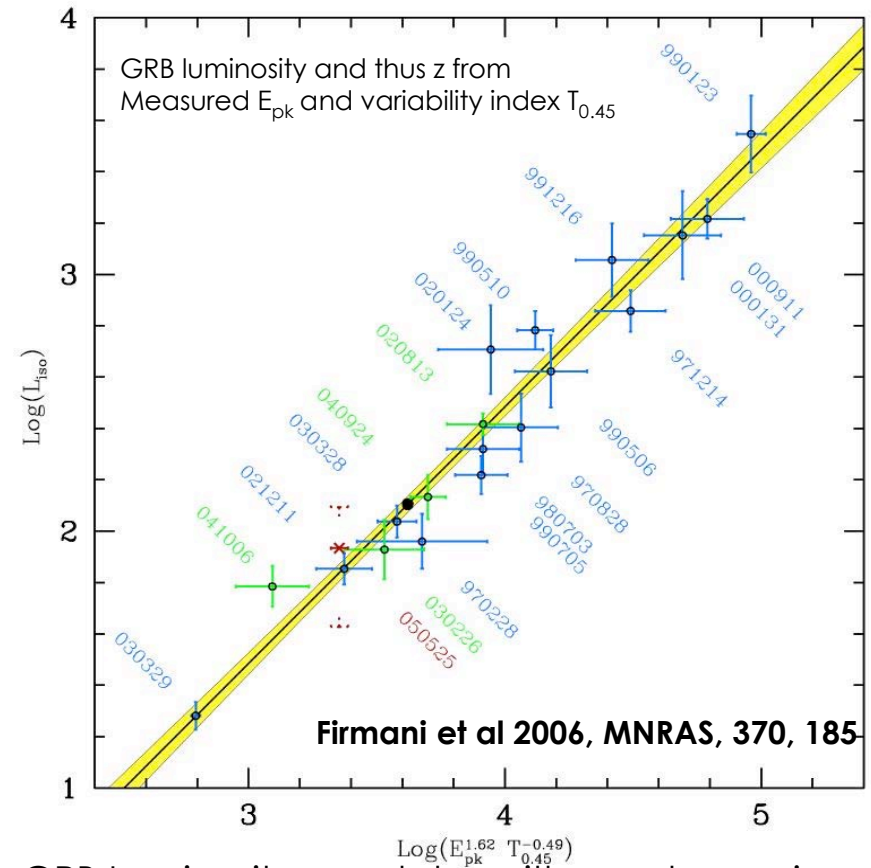
- *EXIST* imaging (HET & LET telescopes + active shields) measure GRB spectrum at highest time resolution (10 $\mu$ s) for jet microphysics and “photo- $z$ ” redshift from *Firmani relation* (correlation of GRB lum. with  $E_{\text{peak}}$  and  $T_{45}$ , both measured by GRB *prompt emission* from broad-band, high-statistics GRB spectrum measured by *EXIST*)
- GLAST (GBM + LAT) measures broad-band spectrum and max. internal  $\gamma$  in jet for total particle energy of jet
- *EXIST* measures *polarization* of GRB spectrum vs. time by azimuthal distribution of Compton scattering into neighboring pixels in imaging detector: constr

# Most distant stars & galaxies probed by GRBs



Record redshift vs. time: GRBs nearly max!

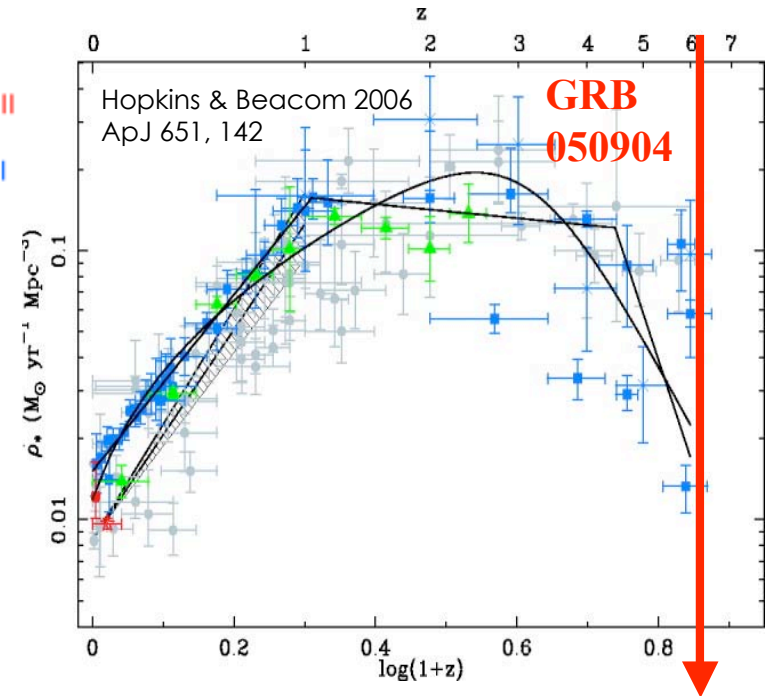
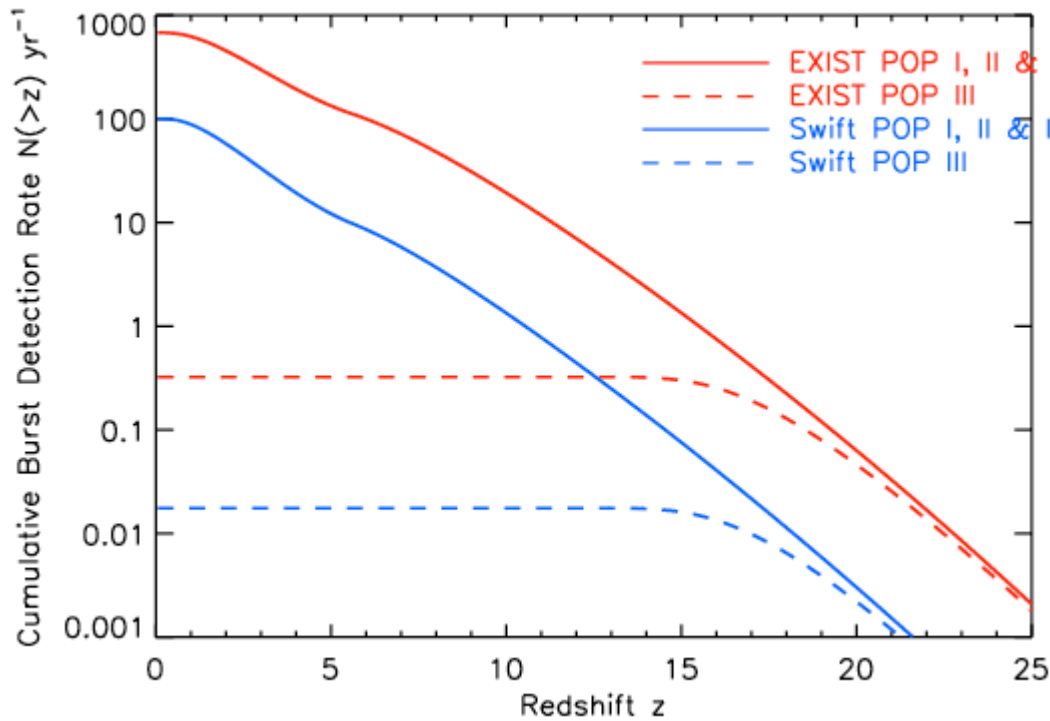
- *Swift* GRB at  $z = 6.3$  & Spitzer galaxies at  $z \sim 8$  show *GRBs must be detectable out to at least  $z \sim 8-10$*
- Broader energy band, higher sensitivity & FoV needed for large sample at  $z \geq 8-10$
- IR from space (*JWST*) needed for  $z \geq 10$ !



GRB Luminosity correlates with spectrum: gives  $z$  !

- *EXIST* measures  $E_{pk}$  and  $T_{0.45}$  and Firmani reln. gives "photo- $z$ " with uncertainties typically  $\Delta(\log(1+z)) \sim 0.1$ .
- *EXIST* measures  $E_{pk}$  up to 3 MeV using active shields
- GRBs provide "back-light" for IR spectroscopy of IGM, gas, & galactic structure back to re-ionization

# Predicted *EXIST* GRB rate opens universe to $z \geq 10$



*EXIST* GRBs vs.  $z$  will probe the star formation rate (SFR) vs.  $z$  at highest redshifts, and constrain/measure Pop III.

Predicted GRB rates vs.  $z$  based on Bromm and Loeb (2005). *EXIST* will detect many GRBs at  $z > 7$  and may detect Pop III GRBs for which models are uncertain.

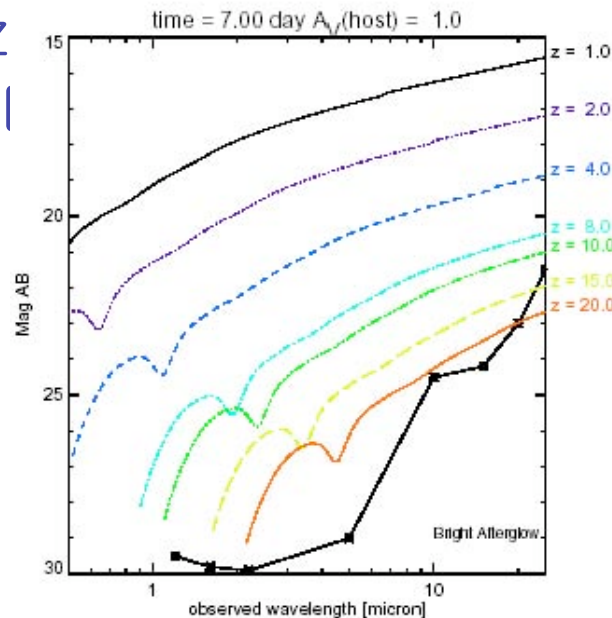
GRBs allow cosmology at highest redshifts (non-CMB), and *EXIST* will open this window.

***EXIST* will probe:**



# GLAST + *EXIST*: Using GRBs as cosmic probes

- Photo- $z$ 's from *EXIST* ( $\Delta z \sim 0.1 - 0.2$ ) and high energy spectral breaks observed by GLAST-LAT: constrain EBL
- Followup afterglow high-resolution ground-based spectra (V,R,I,J,H,K bands) and *JWST mid-IR spectra* for GRBs with photo- $z$ 's  $>6$  use “back-light” of GRB afterglows to measure cosmic structure and metallicity vs.  $z$  pIII GRI



universe ( $z \sim 15-20$  & Po

JWST detectability of spectrum of afterglow of GRB060206 scaled to  $z$  values shown at 7d after GRB and with foreground  $A_V=1$  (Bloom et al 2007, in prep.)

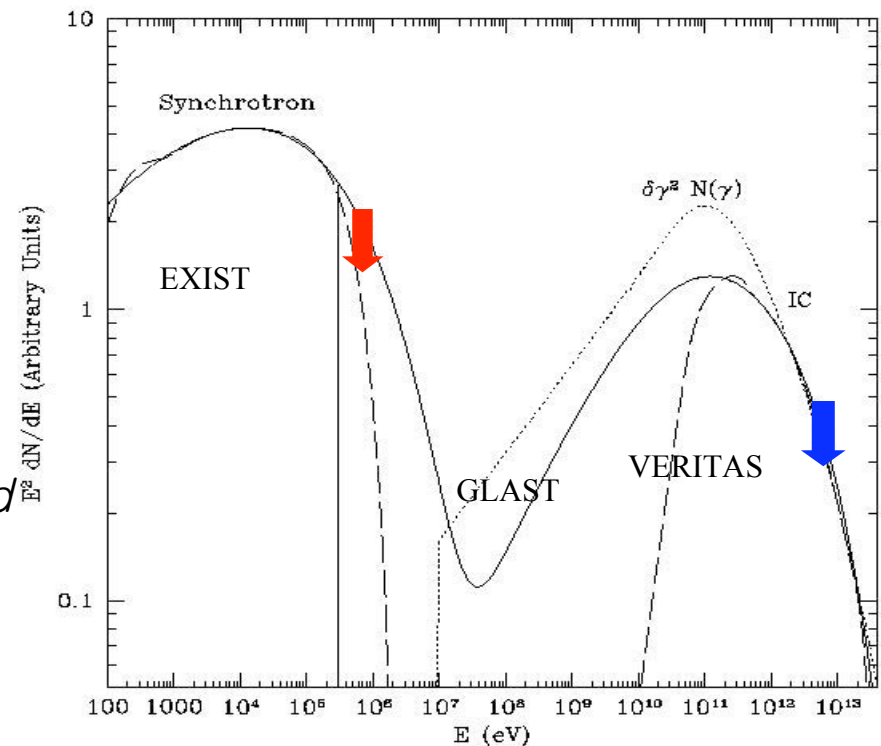


# EXIST/GLAST Blazar Spectral variability: Jets to EBL

Extragalactic Background Light (EBL): Stellar vs. Accretion Luminosity of Universe

**EBL:** Hard x-ray (synchrotron) spectral breaks ( $\sim 5\text{--}200\text{keV}$ ) for *Blazars* at known redshift allow SSC gamma-ray ( $\sim 10\text{ GeV} - 10\text{ TeV}$ ) spectral breaks measured by *GLAST & HESS/VERITAS* to constrain poorly known diffuse IR background from total stellar light of universe *absorbing gammas to  $e^+e^-$*

**Time-variability:** spectral breaks required from simultaneous HX +  $\gamma$  measurements. Wide-field HX imaging needed for simultaneous X, Gamma-ray observations of Blazars to monitor and *measure large samples to overcome cosmic variance*



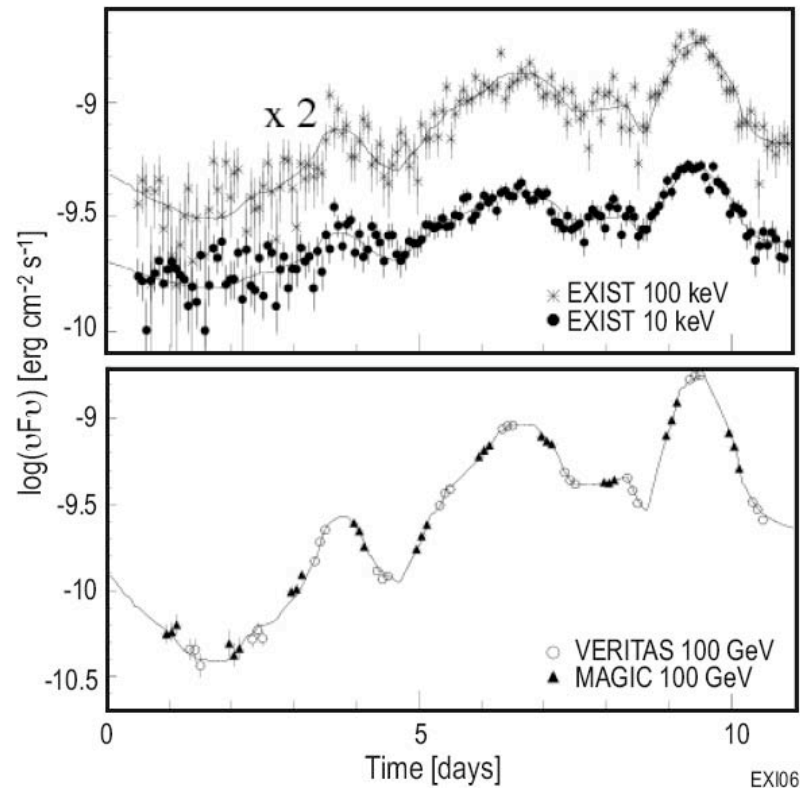
SSC model for Mkn 501 (Coppi & Aharonian 1999)

**EXIST** will provide the continuous HX spectral-monitoring to study Blazars and non-thermal AGN to constrain diffuse IR ( $\sim 10\text{--}100\mu$ ) background from obscured AGN and thus **nuclear vs. accretion luminosity of the universe**

**Complements GRB science: star formation vs. redshift from  $L_{GRBs}$  vs.  $z$**

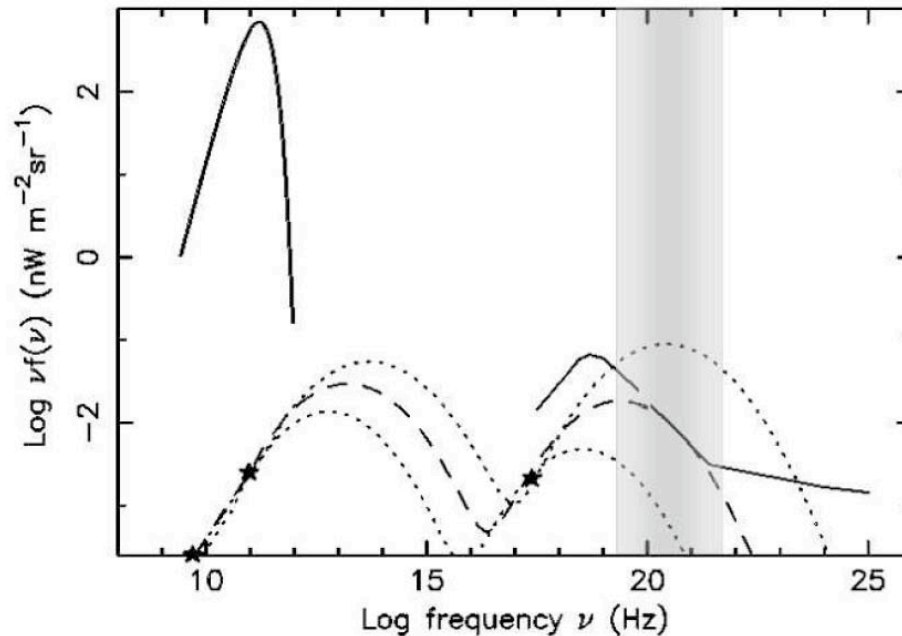
# EXIST measures Blazar flares vs. GeV–TeV

- Variability of Blazars must be accounted for in unfolding SSC model (synch HX vs. IC GeV–TeV) to derive intrinsic spectrum
- Simultaneous with GLAST allows unique unfolding of spectrum to derive intrinsic spectrum & thus measure EBL from observed cutoff



**Figure 4:** Simulated blazar light curve for the EXIST reference mission vs. TeV light curve as recorded by VERITAS.

# Blazars contribute to CXB & CMB fluctuations



**Fig. 10.** The possible contribution of LBL Blazars to the Hard X-ray/soft  $\gamma$ -ray Background (shaded area). The three SSC curves corresponds to different  $\nu_{peak}$  values ( $\log \nu_{peak} = 12.8, 13.5$  and  $13.8$ ) and are constrained to go through the three star symbols representing 1) the total contribution of Blazars at 94 GHz ( $8 \times 10^{-6}$  of the CMB intensity), 2) the average 5 GHz to 94 GHz slope ( $\alpha_{5-94GHz} = 0.2$ ) and 3) the average spectral slope between 94 GHz and 1 keV ( $\langle \alpha_{\mu x} \rangle = 1.07$ ).

Blazars contribute to CXB (increasingly Important above 100 keV) and CMB Fluctuations... (Giommi et al 2005)

Combination of EXIST + GLAST Needed...

## Synergy of *EXIST* & *GLAST*: $\geq 2015$ together? (and now a paid political advertisement...)

- Incredible synergy and complementarity of *GLAST* and *EXIST*: both wide-field, full sky, broad energy/timing...
- GRBs and Blazars for relativistic jets as probes of high- $z$  universe: enabled by *both* missions
- Time variability and broad-band spectra of AGN, pulsars, binaries and transients: need *both*
- *Support Black Hole Finder Probe (EXIST...)* at upcoming *BEPAC Town Mtgs.:*  
*Cambridge (Feb. 12), Baltimore (Mar. 14), Chicago (Apr. 4)*