

Program Description



- Unique nature of Fermi defines GI Program
 - Proposals are typically requests for grant support rather than data rights, spacecraft orbits or *ksec*
- Open to international community
 - No grants issued outside the US
- Data analysis &/or analysis methods, coordinated observations, & theory
- NOAO, NRAO & Suzaku joint programs
- Pointed observations (ToO &/or Scheduled)
- 1 or 2 year proposals, or (~few percent *Large*) 3-year

Summary of Cycle-3 Program



- 182 proposals received, 80 selected
 - 79 grants
 - Also 10 “Progress Reports”, all passed
- 2 multi-year “Large Projects” selected
 - Down from 8 selections in Cycle-1, 3 in Cycle-2
- Average grants: \$174k (multi-year) \$78k (regular)
- NRAO: ~850 hours awarded
 - ~55% of total requests, ~15% of all approved proposals
- NOAO: ~60 hrs awarded of ~80 requested

New for Cycle-4



- Joint Fermi-Suzaku program
 - Analogous to NRAO, NRAO
 - Suzaku project is allocating 250 ksec
 - US Fermi GIs: time drawn from US Suzaku allocation
 - Non-US Fermi GIs: time drawn from Japanese allocation
- Multi-year proposals: distinct from “Large Projects”
 - Capped at same level (\$100k) as regular proposals
 - Review committee can recommend descope (unlike Large Projects)

New for Cycle-4



- For 2-year projects: NASA will review status report submitted in tandem with NSPIRES year-2 budget
- Large Projects: continue as before, i.e. progress report required at Stage-I for continuation
- New requirement for all classes of proposals:
 - Workplan Summary Sheet
 - Part of RPS submission forms

Cycle-4 Timeline



- NRA: Fermi Amendment posted on NSPIRES 10/22/2010
- RPS for Fermi Cy 4 opening soon
- Proposals due January 21, 2011
- Peer review April 4-7
- Stage-I selections in subsequent ~2-3 weeks
- Stage-II ~1 month subsequent
- Fund FY11 portion by July 2011

Summary



- Cycle-4 deadline is rapidly approaching!
 - **January 21, 2011**
- Online resources available
 - NRA, detailed proposal instructions
 - Hierarchical documentation set
 - 1-yr LAT catalog, light curves for 70+ sources
- *New Science Analysis Tools & Data* available
- *New 2-year proposals & joint Suzaku program*
- We look forward to your participation!