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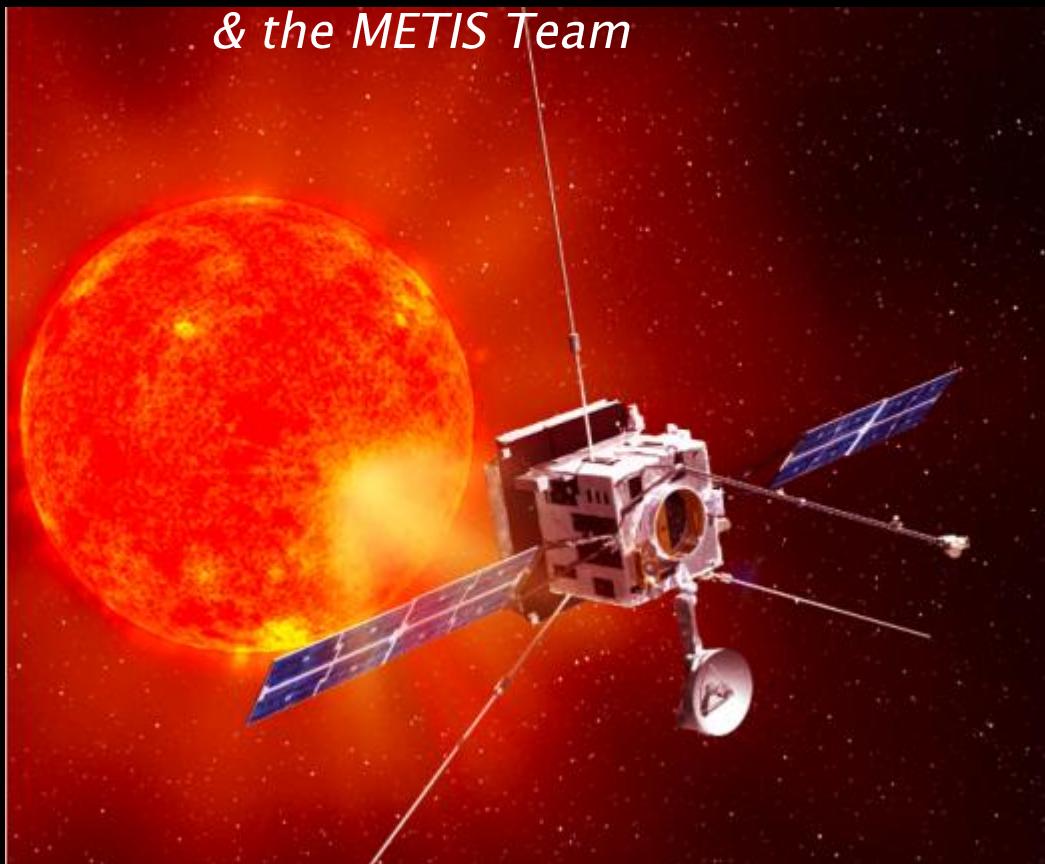
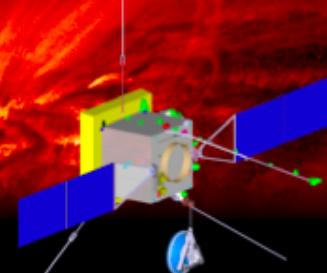
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Experiment & Science Implementation

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Multi Element Telescope for Imagining & Spectroscopy

International Consortium under responsibility of INAF – OATo

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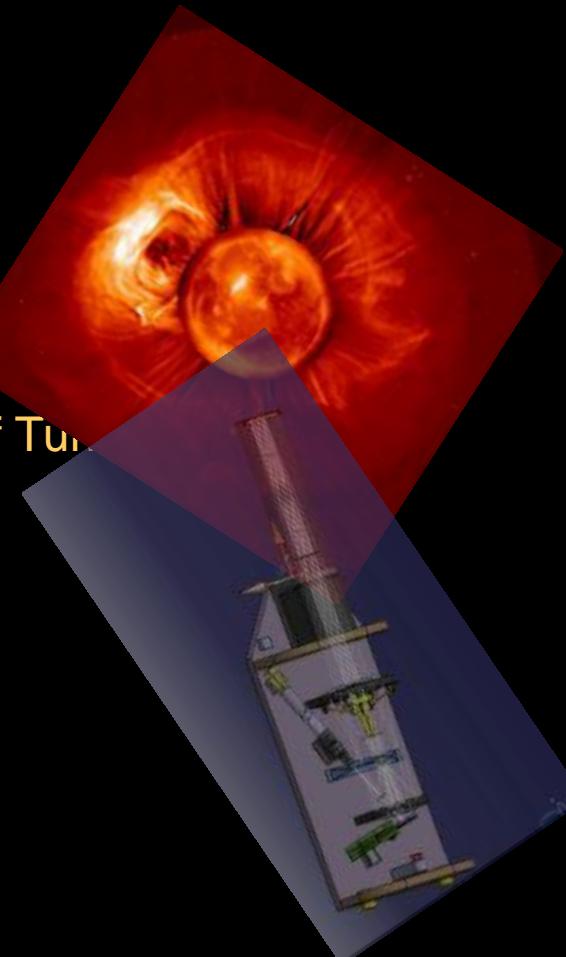
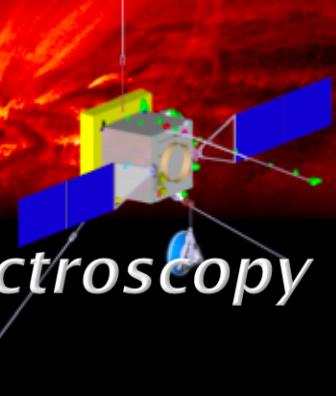
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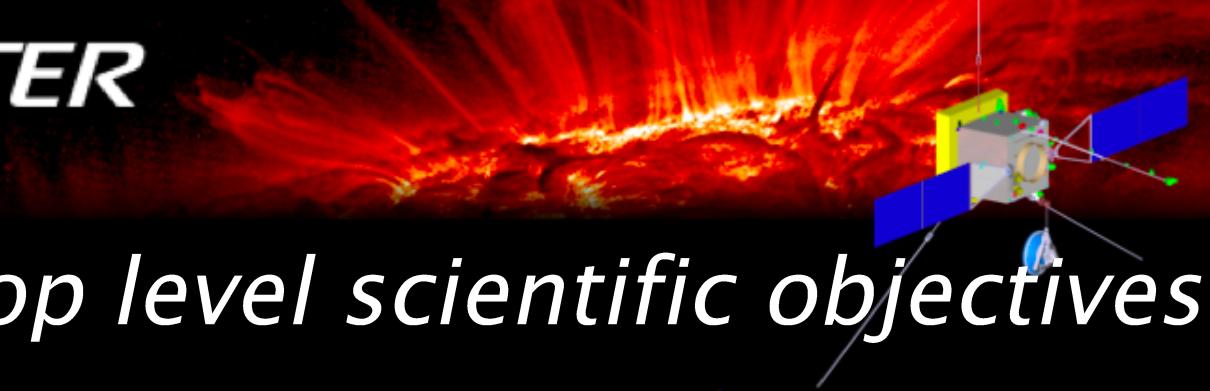
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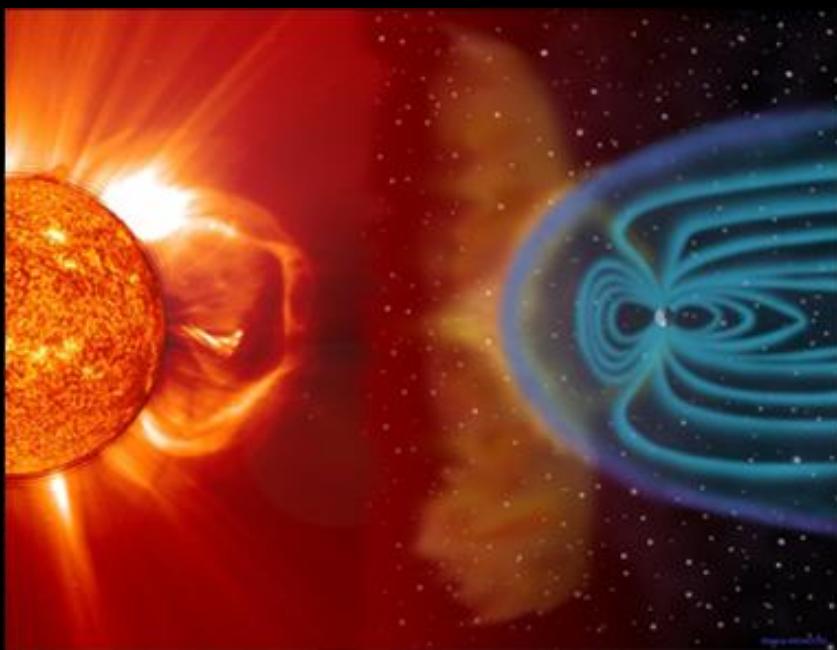
Solar Orbiter top level scientific objectives

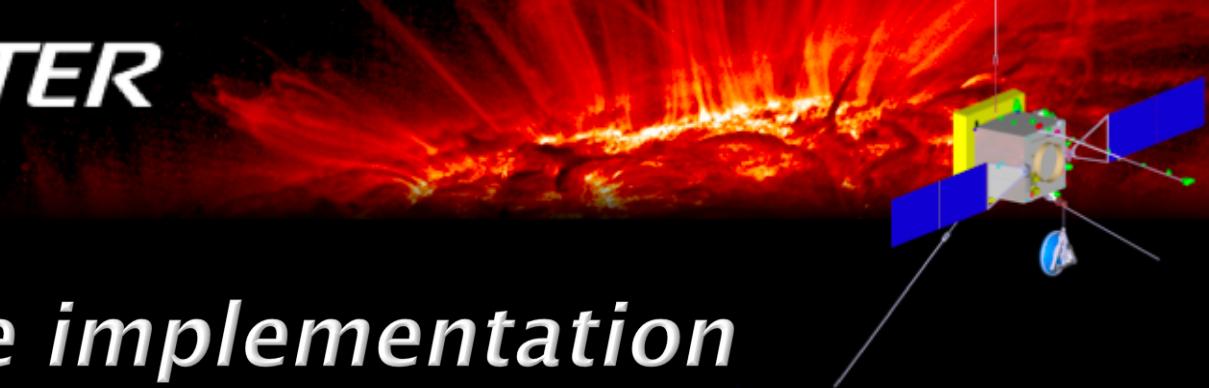
- How does the **solar dynamo work** and drive connections between the Sun and the heliosphere?
- How and where do the **solar wind** plasma and magnetic field originate in the corona?
- How do **solar transients** drive heliospheric variability?
- How do solar eruptions produce **energetic particle** radiation that fills the heliosphere?



METIS Science: the next step in understanding the corona as link to the heliosphere

- How energy is deposited in coronal holes & solar wind
- What are the source regions of the slow solar wind
- How the global corona evolves and solar transients originate
- How shock fronts accelerate particles in the solar corona

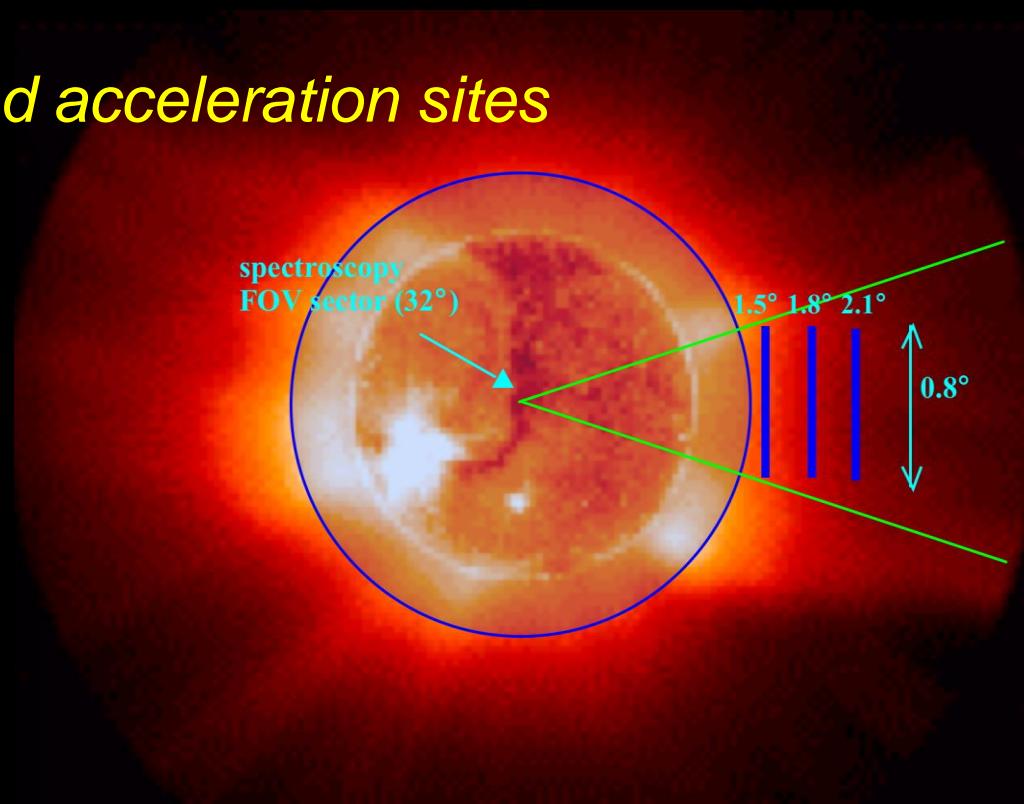




METIS science implementation

Fully characterize the dynamics and composition of the major plasma components (e^- , H^0) in the corona and solar wind acceleration sites

Density/abundance maps H^0 , e^-
Outflow velocity maps of H^0
Velocity distribution of H^0

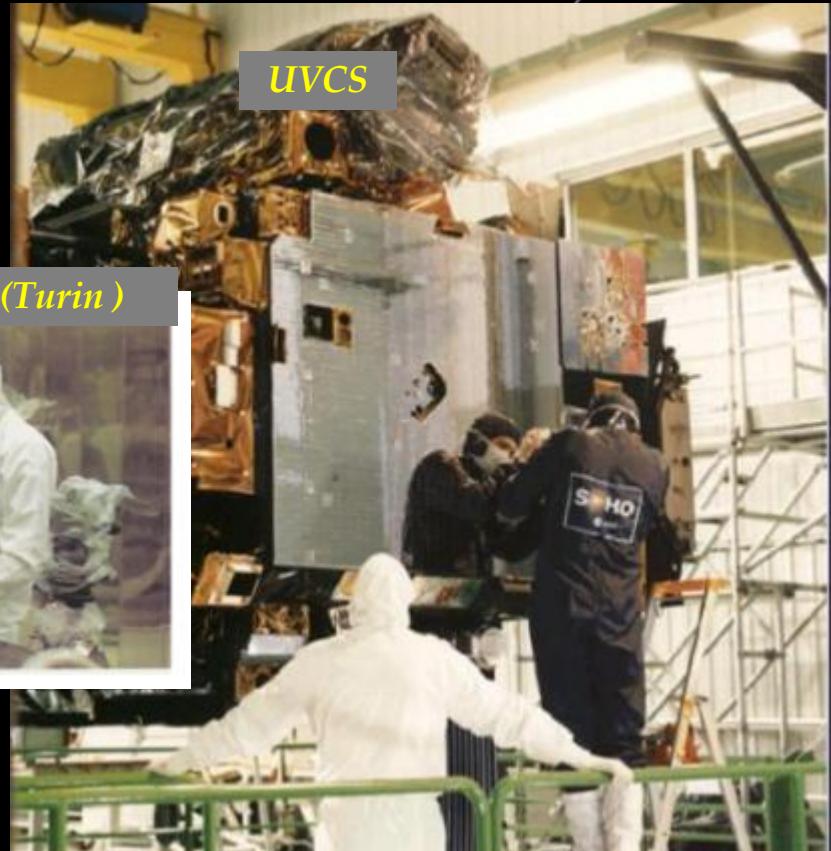


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METIS Heritage: UVCS (ASI-NASA) on SOHO



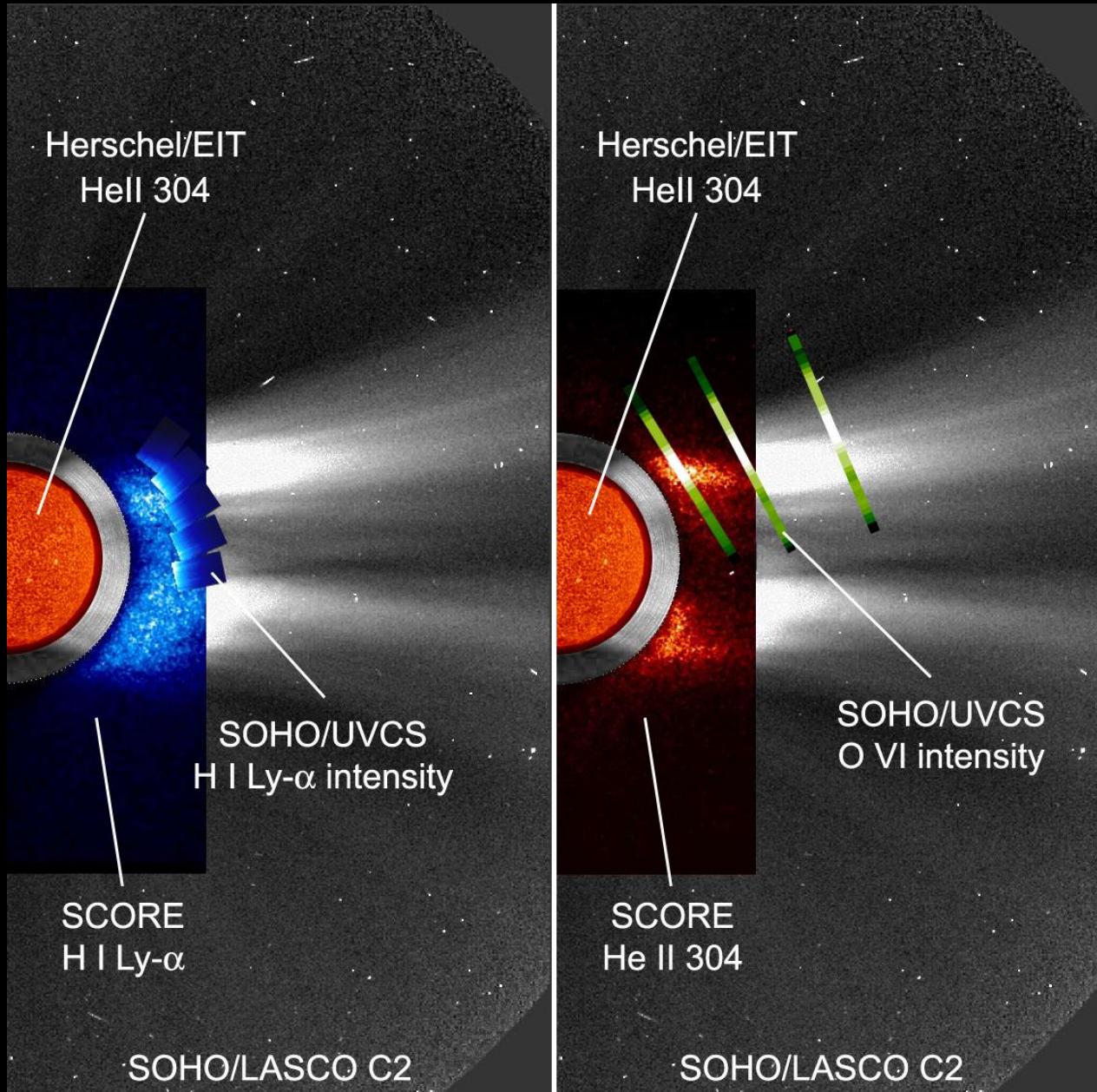
UVCS spectrometer at TAS (Turin)



*Coronagraph introducing UV spectroscopy of the outer corona $>1.5 R_{\odot}$
Diagnostics: Doppler dimming techniques*

Sounding-rocket Coronagraphic Experiment - SCORE



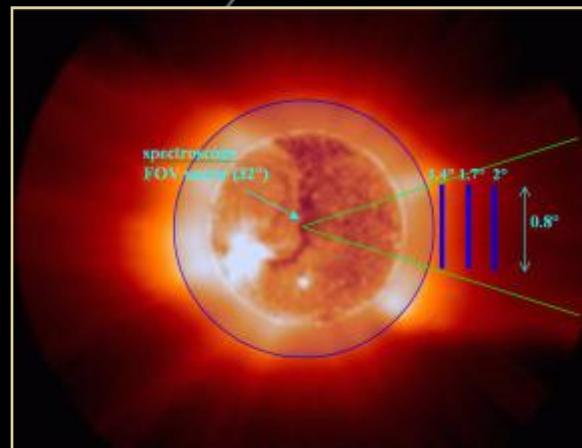


SCORE
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SOHO/
UVCS,
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observations

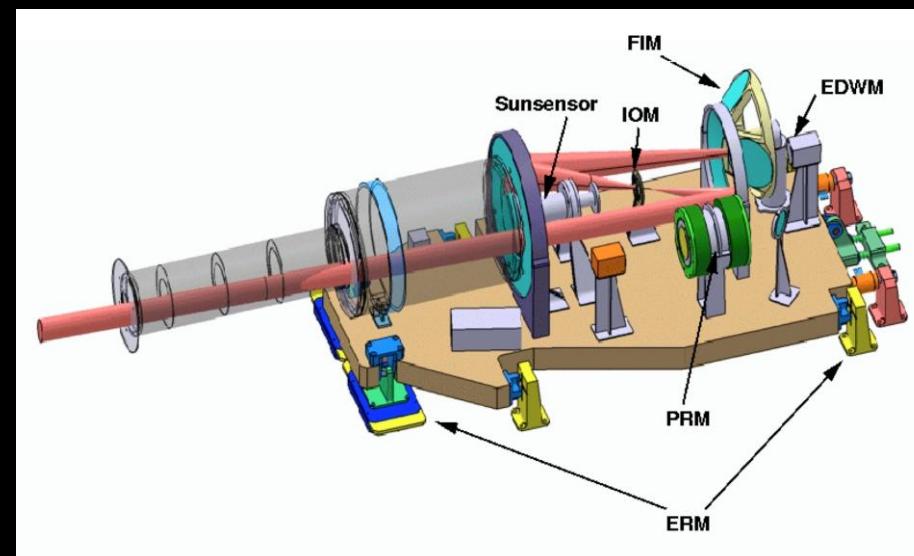
METIS Instrument

Externally occulted coronagraph designed for:

- broad-band imaging - polarized Visible-light K-corona
- narrow-band imaging - UV corona (HI Ly- α , 1216 Å)



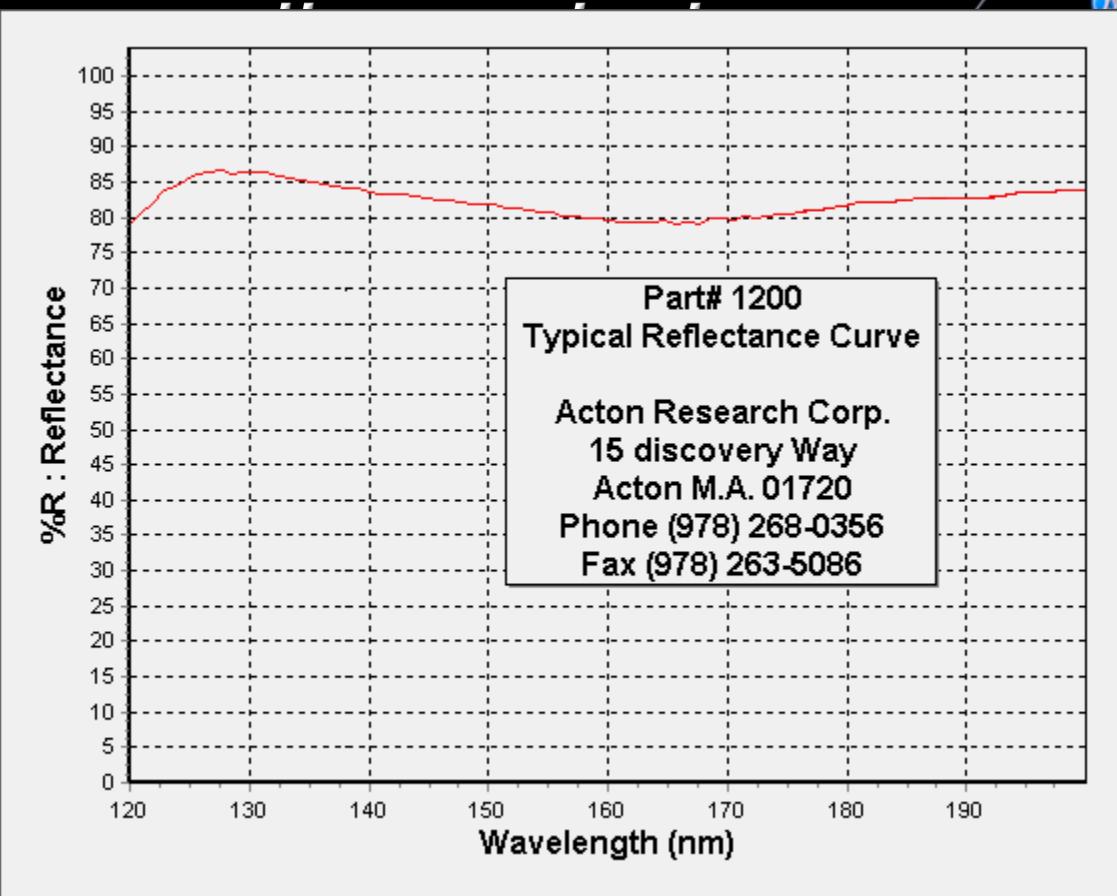
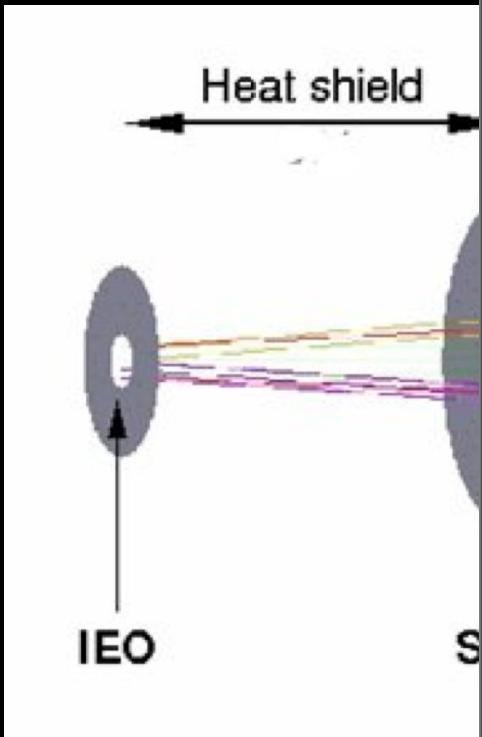
annular FOV: $1.5 - 3.0 R_{\odot}$ at min perihelion 0.28 AU



Simultaneous UV, VL coronal images

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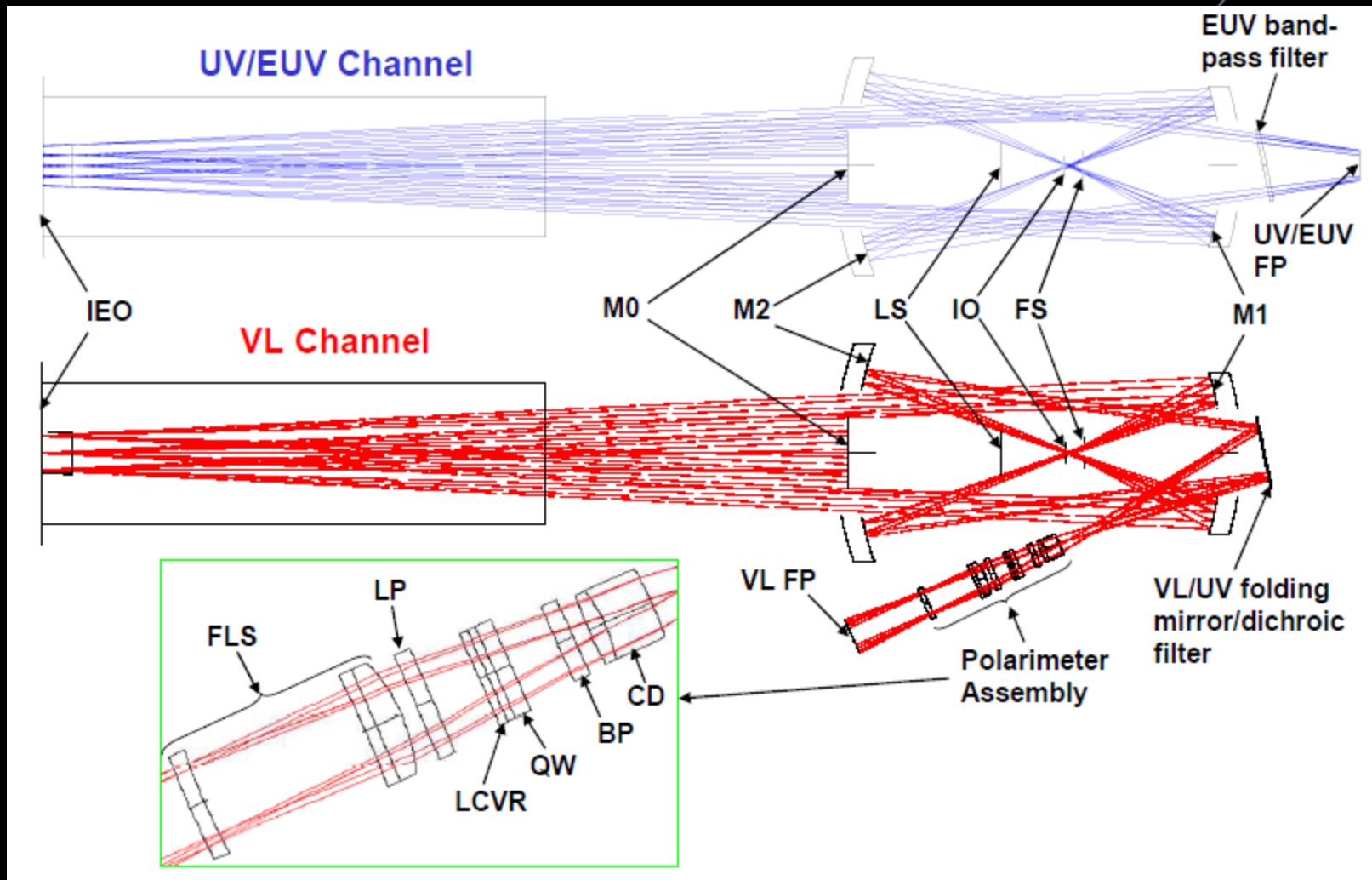
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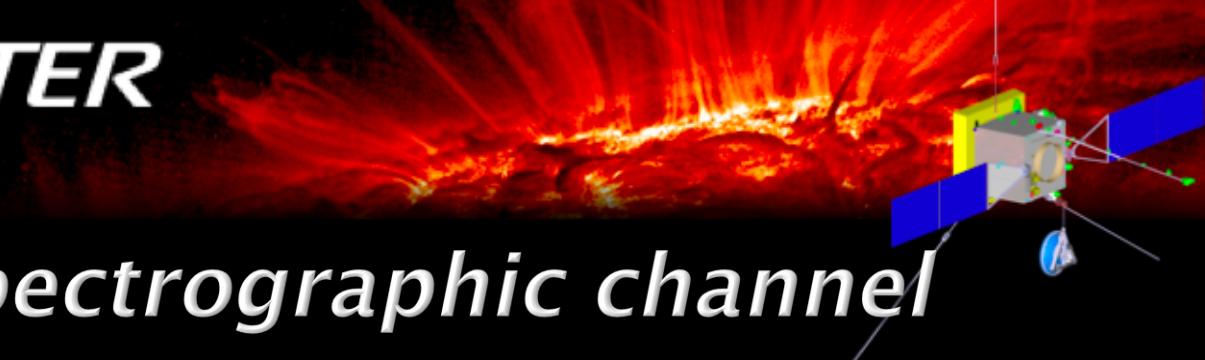
UV mode: the cap-layer of the multilayer optics reflects VL & HI Ly α , 1216 Å. The interference reflects VL and transmits UV HI line, absorbing the EUV light. VL and UV channels work simultaneously.

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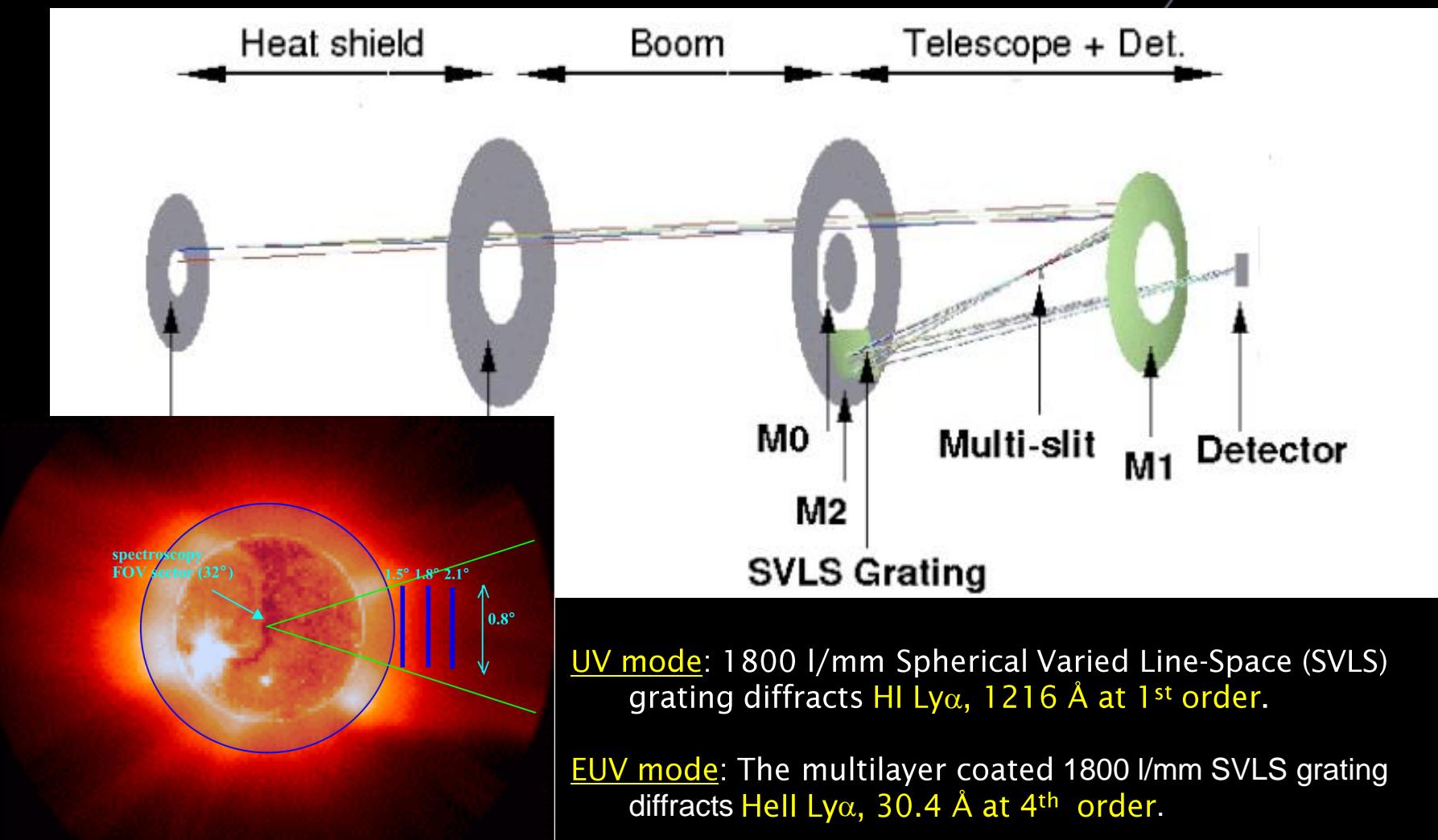
METIS design and optical layout



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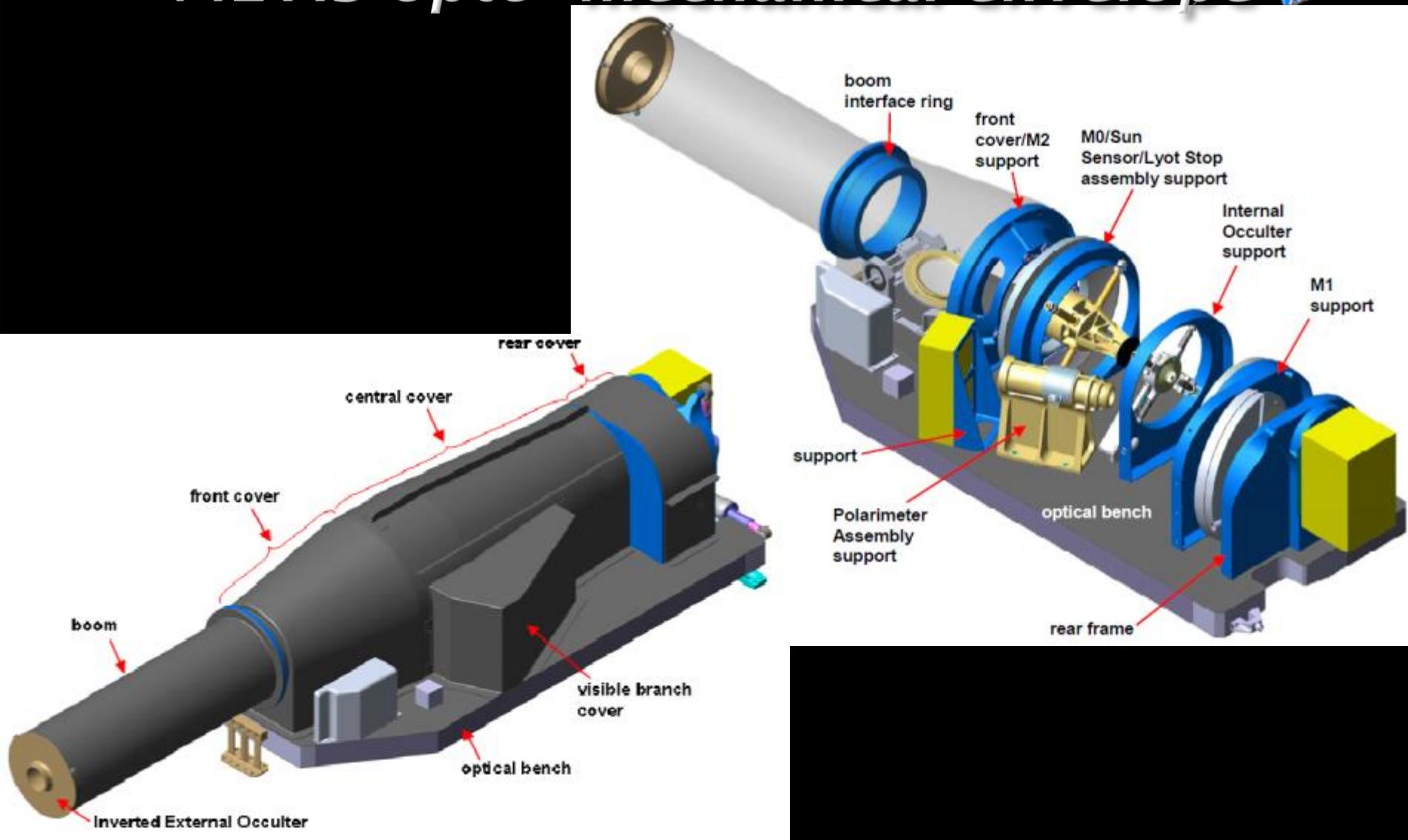


METIS spectrographic channel

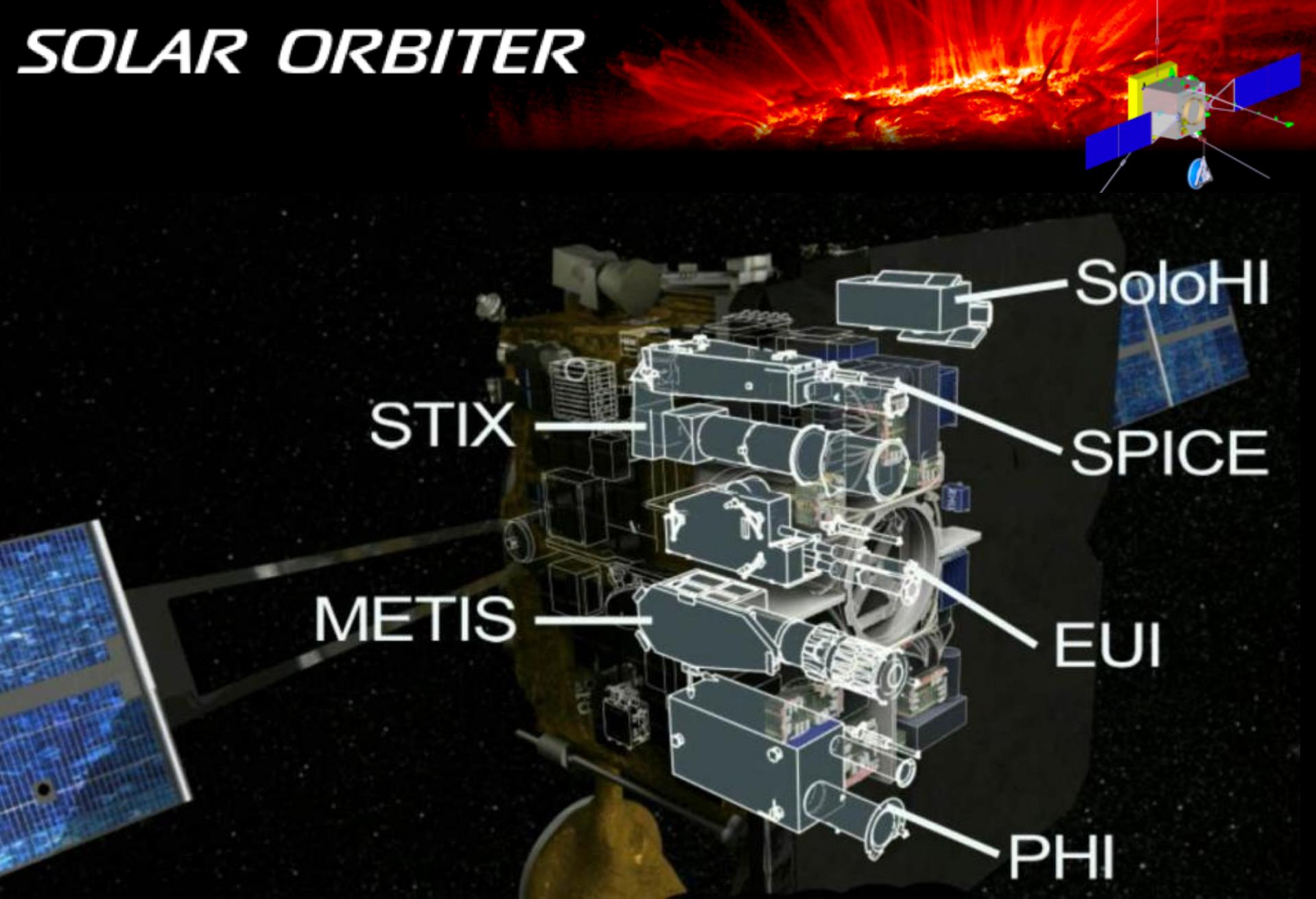


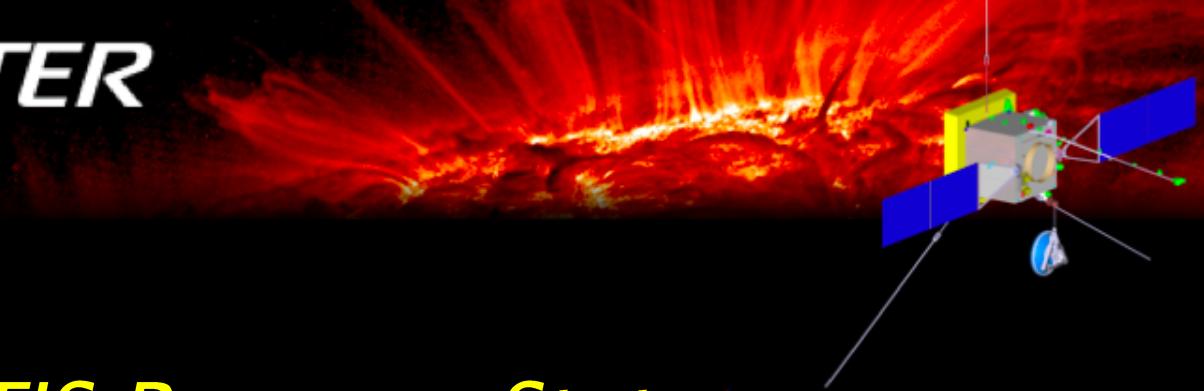
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METIS opto-mechanical envelope



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METIS Program Status

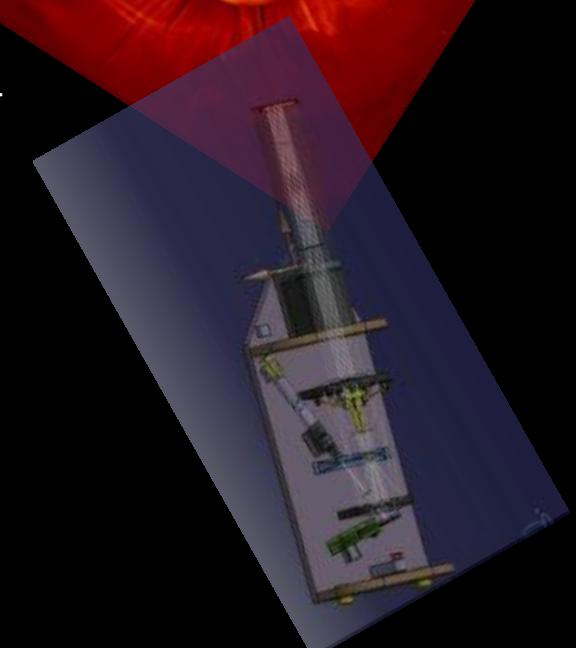
- 2010-2012 Phase B
- May 2012 – ESA Preliminary Design Review passed
- 2013 – Phase C/D

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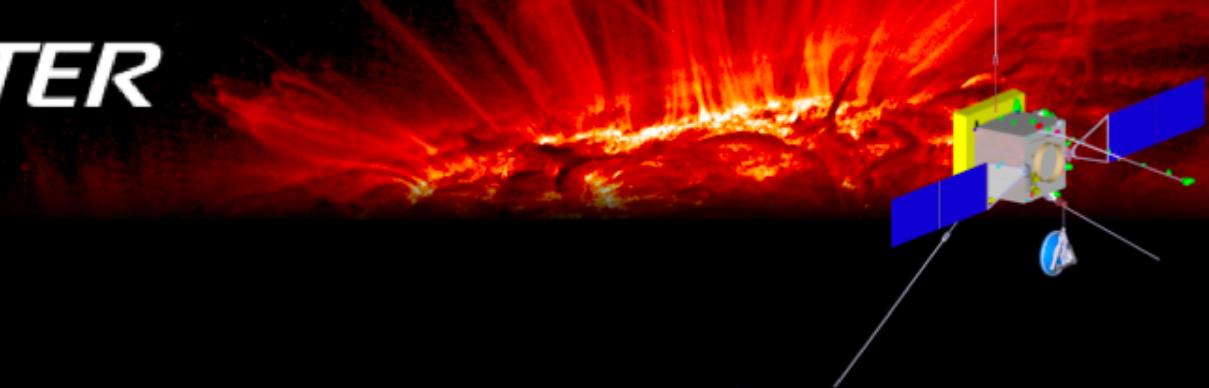


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