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**EXPANDING THE FRONTIERS OF SPACE ASTRONOMY** 

### Community Definition of Roman's Core Community Surveys

And Other Opportunities to Engage with the Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope

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# **Roman Observational Program: Wide-Field Infrared Surveys of the Universe**

Majority of observing time dedicated to large Core Community Surveys

- Each has a core set of goals, but potential scientific scope far broader •
- Survey designs to be decided through a community process to maximize ••• total science return

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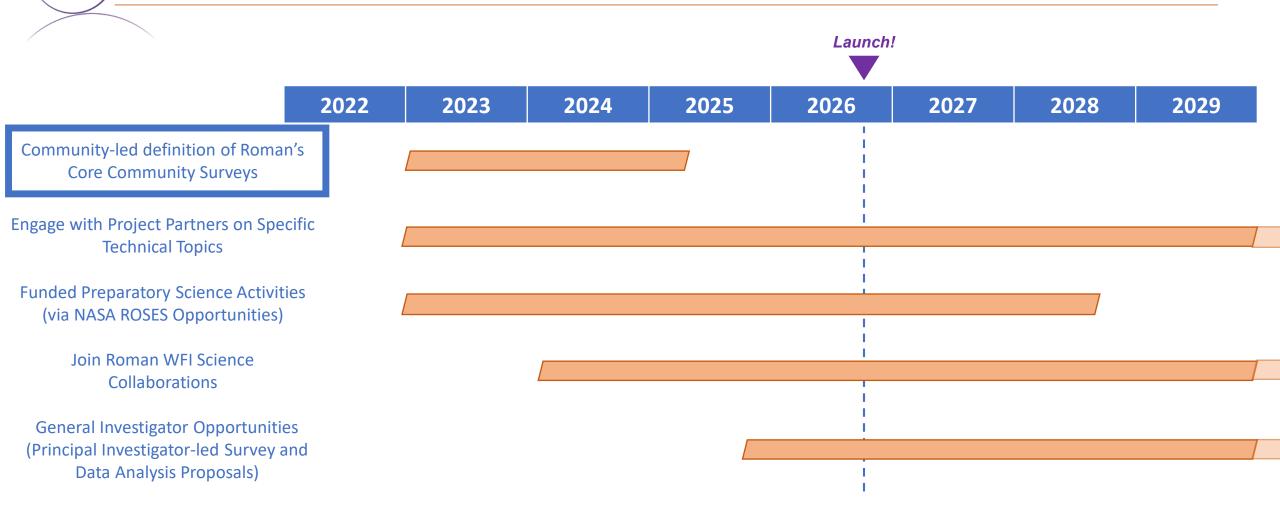
Smaller Astrophysics Surveys nominally 25% of observing time

Selection via a peer-review process

### **Archival Investigations**

- All data will be public immediately
- Anticipated to be main component of community involvement

Many Avenues to Engage with Roman



**Top Level Goal for Defining the Core Community Surveys** 

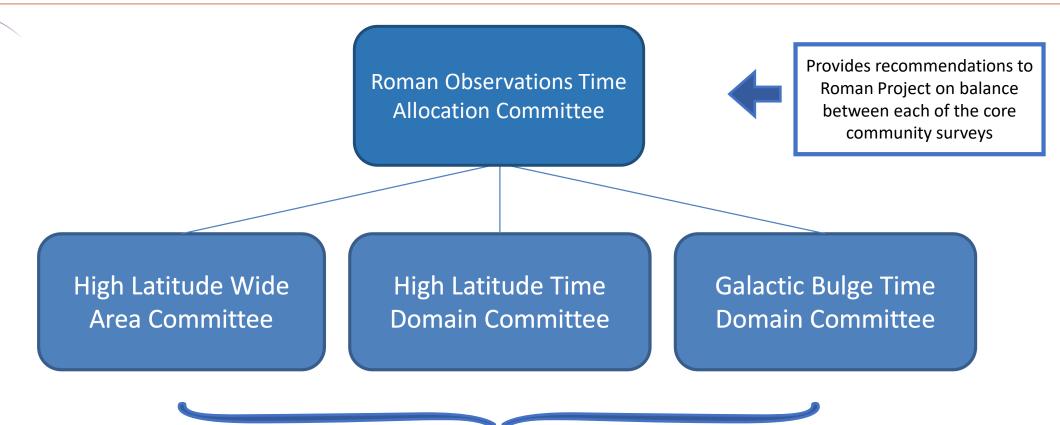
Maximize the overall science return of Roman's wide field infrared surveys

# While meeting Mission requirements focused on cosmology and exoplanets

The Design Reference Mission survey strategies served their function in showing the mission can meet its requirements.

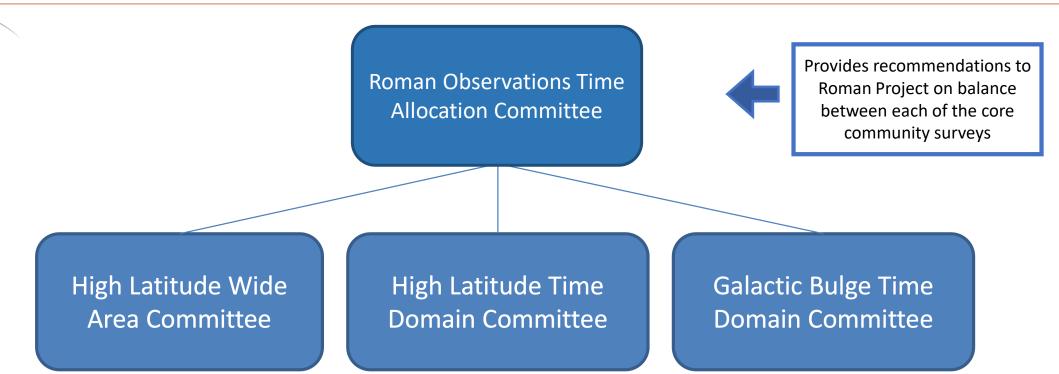
The actual surveys to be implemented will be defined by the astronomical community.

### Strategy for Defining the Core Community Surveys



Evaluate initial community input; solicit additional, more targeted community input through a variety of channels; evaluate survey options against science metrics; produce recommendations for survey implementations with options for enhancements/descopes

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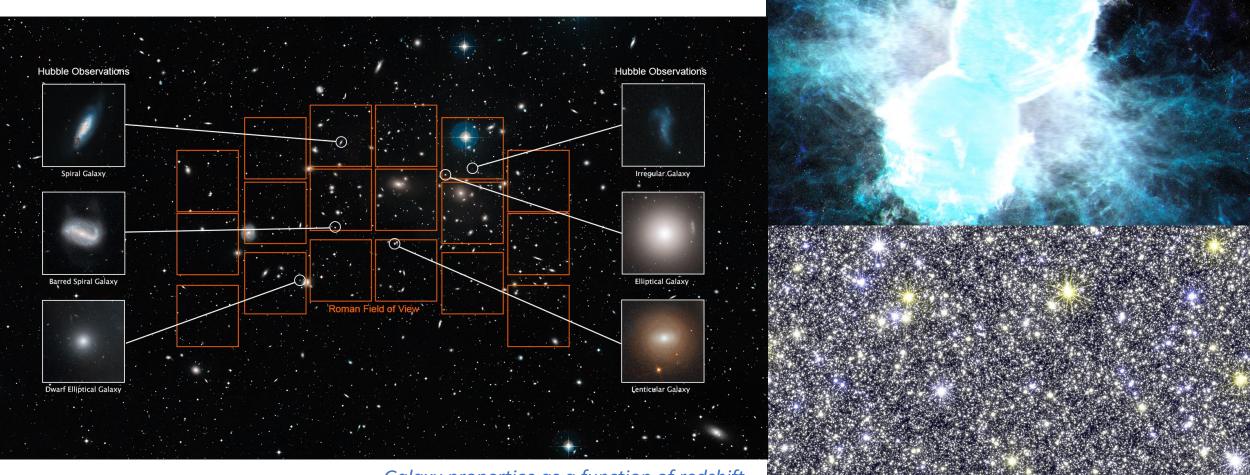
These committees will be *your* committees, and will be charged with understanding and representing the full breadth of the astronomy community's interests in Roman's Core Community Surveys.

# There will be no "survey teams" selected to define or implement the surveys.

# Should you provide input to defining the Core Community Surveys?

Three science case examples of many ...

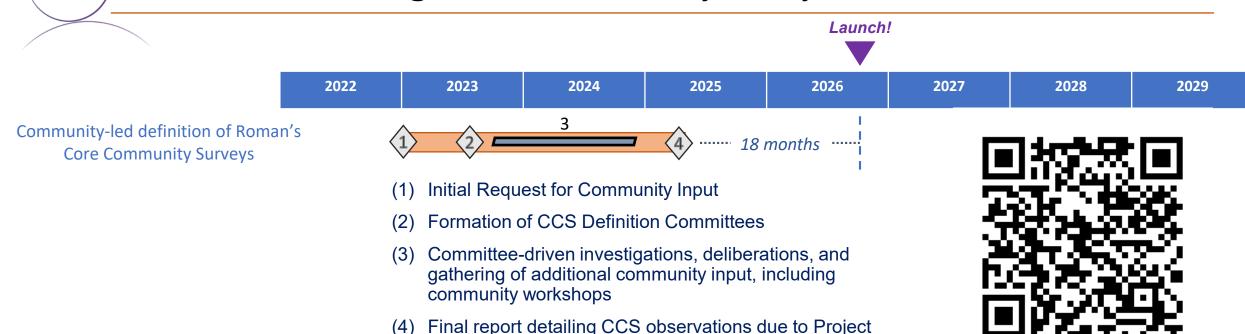
Illustration of a kilonova



Galaxy properties as a function of redshift

Simulation of Galactic Bulge: 1/140<sup>th</sup> Roman's FOV STScI SPACE TELESCOPE SCIENCE INSTITUTE

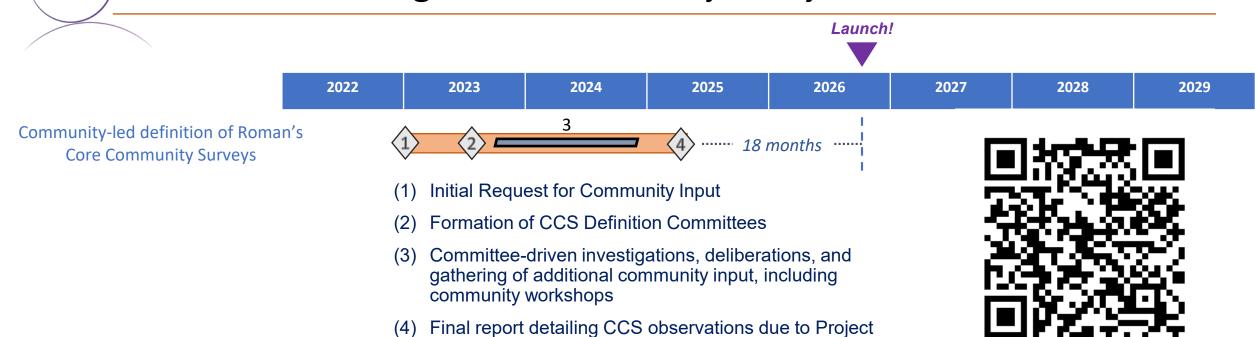
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The content of the first set of community responses will be used to:

- Ensure the CCS committee members represent the breadth of science investigations that the community wants enabled by each CCS.
- Provide the CCS committees with initial technical input on what requirements on survey strategy are set by various science investigations, and what science investigation areas need the most additional community input and consensus-building.

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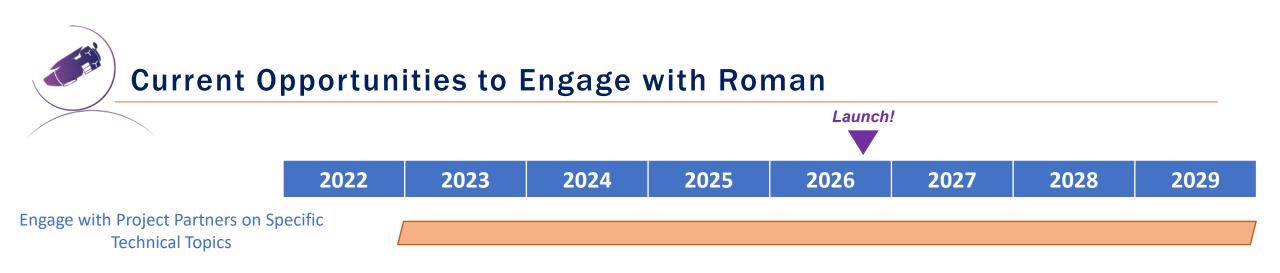
Two avenues to respond to the initial request for community input into the CCS definitions:

(1) a "Science Pitch" (due Feb 17)

(2) a traditional white paper (due late spring)

Information and Q&A Sessions:

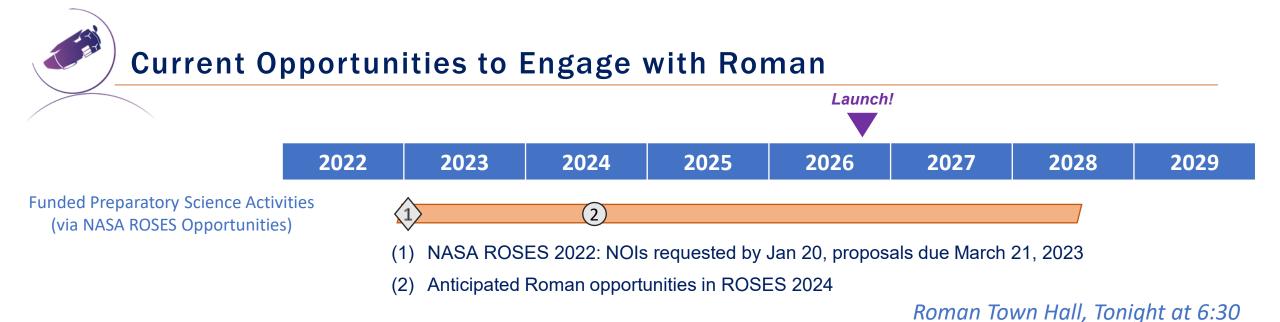
- Splinter Session Wednesday, 2 pm, Room 4C-3: "Starting Now: Community-Led Definition of the Roman Core Community Surveys"
- Two virtual sessions later in January
- All sessions will present the same information



Join Roman Project Working Groups that explore technical topics, gather diverse input, and collaboratively address topics relevant to multiple science areas.

Examples include: calibration, software development, astrometry, simulations, detectors, and spectroscopy.





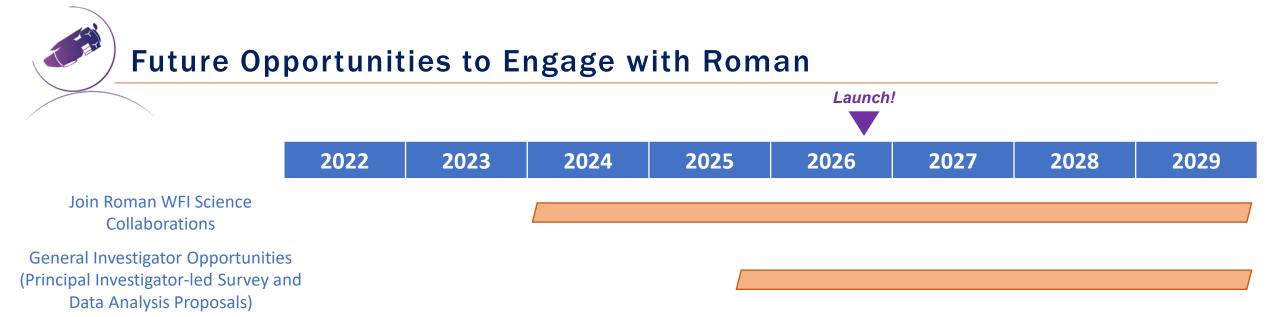
### Three funding categories currently available:

Anticipated to be offered only in ROSES-22:

- Sustained funding for science infrastructure development (WFI Project Infrastructure Teams) Anticipated to be offered again in ROSES-24:
- Preparatory science investigations for the Wide Field Instrument (Wide Field Science)
- Support for working with the Coronagraph Instrument team to plan and execute the technology demonstration (Coronagraph Community Participation Program)



Resources for current Roman ROSES call



Project-supported, community-led WFI Science Collaborations will provide a forum for the community to

- Engage with Roman science independently of NASA-led, peer-reviewed selections for funding or observing programs
- Self-organize in order to most effectively utilize Roman's unique observational capabilities and analyze Roman's large survey datasets

Regular General Investigator opportunities are anticipated to begin 1 year before launch, and will include calls for proposals for

- Principal Investigator led surveys
- Funded analysis of Roman datasets

## **Engaging with Roman: Additional Opportunities**

Roman Town Hall, Tonight at 6:30

Roman Splinter: Community Definition of Roman's CCSs, Wednesday at 2pm

### Stay Up To Date

- Roman Community Forum nominally the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 4-5pm Eastern
- Roman Mailing Lists
  - Check myST account preferences make sure to subscribe to "Roman Updates" for STScI Roman news and newsletters
  - Join the Roman Project mailing list: email <u>roman-news-join@lists.nasa.gov</u>

Reach out to your representatives

- Roman Science Interest Group (RSIG) advises Roman Project Science Office at GSFC
- Roman ST Advisory Committee (RSTAC) advises the STScI Director
- Attend on-going series of Roman science conferences
  - "Roman Science Inspired by Emerging JWST Results", June 20-23, 2023, at STScl



Roman Community Forum



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