# Dark Matter Signals at keV & GeV

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Discovery of New Physics: Massive Neutrinos

#### Neutrino Mass Generation: An Original Hidden Sector Theory

- Simplest models of neutrino mass introduce sterile neutrinos that generate small active neutrino mass scales from very massive sterile neutrinos (Seesaw models)
- Phenomenological Insertion of Majorana & Dirac Mass Terms:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -y_{\alpha i} L_{\alpha} N_i H - \frac{1}{2} M_{ij} N_i N_j + H.c.$$

(e.g.  $\nu$ SM de Gouvêa 2005;  $\nu$ MSM Asaka et al 2005;  $L_e$ - $L_\mu$ - $L_\tau$  Lindner+ 2010)

- Two massive (≥100 GeV) sterile neutrinos are required by atmospheric and solar neutrino mass scales. Only hidden sector model with evidence for its existence!
- 3rd sterile neutrino has complete freedom. In simplest formulations, since lowest mass light *v* is unbounded from below, so is the mixing of the lightest sterile neutrinos with the active *v*.

$$\theta \sim \sqrt{\frac{m_{\alpha}}{M}}$$

# How much small scale structure is there?



Dwarf galaxies around the Milky Way are less dense than they should be if they held cold dark matter

## Measuring Large Scale Structure P(k)



### **Perturbation Evolution**



Abazajian astro-ph/0511630

#### Simulating the Universe's Structure



This is a description of the statistical distribution of the density fluctuations in the *linear regime*...

It is realized by giving a "push" to a grid of particles with that statistical distribution...

...and then gravity is allowed to do its duty.



#### Suppression of small scale power ⇒ Suppression of Small Halos 10<sup>5</sup> 10<sup>4</sup> 1000 $\overline{P(k)} \, \left[ (h/\mathrm{Mpc})^3 ight]$ 100 10 Distance cut < 250 kpc 1000 High 1 CDM Central 0.1 Low vir,host 0.01 10<sup>-3</sup> 0.01 100 100 0.1 10 $k \ [h/Mpc]$ $N (> V_{max})$ 10 ~8km/s 0.1 V vir,host max

#### Lyman- $\alpha$ Forest Constraints on WDM



Lyman-a forest:  $m_{th} > 3 \text{ keV (WDM)}$  (95% CL)  $m_{th} > 3 \text{ keV (WDM)}$ *m<sub>s.DW</sub>* > 16 keV (Baur et al. 2015)

Milky Way galaxy counts: (Horiuchi+ 2013, Cherry & Horiuchi 2017, Nadler+ 2019)

 $\lambda_{FS} < 42 \; \mathrm{kpc}$   $M_{FS} < 3 imes 10^6 \; \mathrm{M}_{\odot}$  (Abazajian & Koushiappas 2006)

#### Lensing Constraints on WDM



Lensing substructure constraints push:  $m_{th} > 5.3 \text{ keV} (m_{s,DW} > 41 \text{ keV})$  (Gilman+ 2019) combined with galaxy counts:  $m_{th} > 9.7 \text{ keV}$  (Nadler+ 2021)

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#### Varied Momenta Distributions for Different Production Mechanisms



#### Lensing Test of Sterile Neutrino DM Models

	Strong	Strong Lensing &	Lyman- $\alpha$	Lyman- $\alpha$ &
	Lensing	Galaxy Counts		Thermo.
	$[\mathrm{keV}]$	$[\mathrm{keV}]$	$[\mathrm{keV}]$	$[\mathrm{keV}]$
PK	I: 10	I: 26	6.9	12
	II: 9.6	II: 24		
KTY	I: 2.1	I: 5.2	1.3	2.4
	II: 1.9	II: 4.8		
u MSM	7.0	16	I: 5.0	I: 9.0
			II: 5.0	II: 10
DW	I: 34	I: 92	21	40
	II: 31	II: 84		
thermal	4.6	9.8	3.3	5.3
		(Zelko	et al PRI	arXiv.2205.09

#### Strong Lensing Tests of WDM: Quadruply-Lensed Systems





#### *JWST Cycle ONE Proposal* 2022 (PI Nierenberg): *m*<sub>th</sub> > 10 keV

### Pushing beyond *m*<sub>th</sub> > 10 keV: Accurate Calculations of Standard *Thermal* WDM



Given exact temperature via dilution, and training on 1 keV <  $m_{\text{th}}$  < 100 keV, we corrected the particle mass inferred from a given cutoff scale by 20% to 40% from previous WDM fits (e.g. Viel et al. 2005) Vogel & Abazajian 2210.10753

#### Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter: Shi-Fuller Mechanism Excluded





Abazajian+ arXiv:2203.07377

Sterile Neutrino kinematic searches in nuclear β-decay: KATRIN/TRISTAN, HUNTER, MAGNETO-v

## HUNTER







#### Visible Sterile v in the Low-Reheat Universe: Cosmological Constraints & Laboratory Constraints



updated from Abazajian+ arXiv:2203.07377

#### Visible Sterile v in the Low-Reheat Universe: Cosmological Signals & Laboratory Constraints

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## keV → GeV

## neutrinos -> WIMPs

Small Scale Structure: for WIMPS, all of this should be annihilating today...

Need a line-of-sight integral through the dark matter..

## The Signal Projected in Galactic Coordinates

![](_page_24_Figure_1.jpeg)

Zhong, Valli & Abazajian arXiv:2003.00148

## Let's just go ahead and look...

**Evidence for an extended source consistent with** a dark matter interpretation:

Hooper & Goodenough, 2010 Hooper & Linden, 2011 Boyarsky et al. 2011

#### Abazajian & Kaplinghat 2012

Gordon & Macias (2013), Cirelli et al. (2013), Abazajian et al. (2014), Daylan et al (2014), Calore et al. (2014), Abazajian et al (2015), Ackermann et al (2015)

## Looks so much like dark matter...

![](_page_26_Figure_1.jpeg)

WIMP Dark Matter in the Galactic Center?!  $TS_{true} = 2\Delta \ln \mathcal{L} = 824, \ 28.7\sigma, \ p = 4 \times 10^{-181}$  $m_{\chi} = 30 \text{ GeV}$  $0.69-0.95~{\rm GeV}$  $0.95 - 1.29 \,\, {\rm GeV}$ 1.29 - 1.76 GeV1.76 - 2.40 GeV**Extended Source Model** NFW  $\gamma = 1.2$ 2 2 2 2 0 2 2 2 2

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10 al Counts

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![](_page_27_Figure_2.jpeg)

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10 Count

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![](_page_27_Figure_3.jpeg)

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#### GCE as MSPs: Spectral Comparison

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GCE-MSP Spectral Equivalence: Abazajian 2010

## Bright GCE, Dim Dwarfs: Strong Tension!

![](_page_29_Figure_1.jpeg)

# End of GCE and start of Stellar Bulge Gamma-rays?

![](_page_30_Figure_1.jpeg)

GCE match with WISE IR X-map & even better with COBE/ DIRBE Boxy Bulge Map: Macias+ arXiv:1611.06644, Luminosity function consistency: Ploeg+ arXiv:1705.00806

## How much better are stellar maps than DM? Bulge Maps are > 10σ Better Fit: Macias+ 1901.03822

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## Oscar Macias Visits Irvine: April 18, 2017

![](_page_32_Picture_1.jpeg)

## How much room can be left for dark matter? Not much! Abazajian, Horiuchi, Kaplinghat, <u>Keeley</u>, Macias 2003.10416

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## New Claims that DM is better than Stellar Distributions

- Di Mauro (2021)
  - claimed that dark-matter templates were preferred for all the diffuse emission models considered, but only 2 of 7 of those considered did that
  - of those, the Di Mauro (2021) did not use ring subdivision binning that is the standard (Fermi Collab. & beyond) for analyses of the GC (Pohl et al. 2022)
- Cholis et al (2022)
  - Cholis et al (2022) claimed better fits for DM than Bulge models for masked data from the GC, using their diffuse models
  - They claimed their diffuse models were better fits than Macias et al (2017), and was the reason for their DM preference, but did not explicitly test this claim
  - Didn't specify their bulge model source

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- McDermott et al (2022) [follow on to Cholis et al (2022)]
  - shared the models by github
  - used same ring-based diffuse models as Pohl et al (2022)
  - Our analysis found that:
    - McDermott+ had an artificial upper limit in their fits on some ring normalizations that was maximized so that the diffuse model did not fit properly
    - their bulge model (same as Cholis+) was not centered on GC
  - these both combined to lead to conclusion that DM fit better than the stellar nuclear bulge (NB) and extended bulge (BB)

#### Stellar-Associated Sources Remain Strongly Preferred Over Dark Matter

- Song et al (2023) [in prep.]
  - used data provided by McDermott+ to test previously mentioned problems
  - uses previous work's diffuse models to show that Pohl et al (2022) provide much better fits to GC diffuse emission than used in McDermott+ by a level of −2∆ ln *L* = 3510 (driven by upper-limit issue)
  - Bulge Models 3 different ones are preferred over DM by  $-2\Delta \ln \mathcal{L} \approx 200$  to  $-2\Delta \ln \mathcal{L} \approx 500$  using the Cholis+ diffuse models

Baseline model	Additional source	ΔTS	Significance
Base	BB	77.5	7.3 $\sigma$
Base	DM	80.7	7.5 $\sigma$
Base	NB	299.7	16.2 $\sigma$
Base+NB	DM	21.0	$2.8 \sigma$
Base+NB	BB	90.9	8.1 $\sigma$
Base+NB+BB	DM	3.5	$0.3 \sigma$

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→We use the most conservative local density determinations, marginalize over them, as well as the most physical, conservative DM profiles

Limits are close to that expected from GC by Fermi-LAT Collaboration (Charles+ arXiv:1605.02016)

#### But what about Diffuse Model Uncertainties??

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We took all diffuse models used in GCE analyses into account...

some much better fits than others... still report *most conservative* limit Abazajian, Horiuchi, Kaplinghat, <u>Keeley, Macias</u> 2003.10416

## The *Most Stringent*, Robust Constraint on WIMP Annihilation from Fermi-LAT

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Abazajian, Horiuchi, Kaplinghat, Keeley, Macias 2003.10416

## Conclusions

- Warm Dark Matter has a 3σ preference over CDM in a recent high-resolution Ly-α WDM analysis (Villasenor et al. 2022)
- Sterile neutrino dark matter remains of interest: varied impact on structure formation for a given mass (Zelko et al. 2021)
- We have updated the thermal WDM transfer functions to improve accuracy by 20% to 40% (Vogel & Abazajian 2022)
- Sterile neutrino laboratory probes underway, with significant cosmological implications (Abazajian et al. in prep)
- The GCE in gamma rays is due to stellar remnants, likely MSPs (Song et al. in prep)
- Given this, the GC places the most stringent indirect detection limits on WIMP DM (Macias et al 2020)
- *But the GC in gamma rays remains very interesting* (e.g. 2 $\sigma$  evidence for higgsino WIMP DM in GC data analyzed by Dessert+ 2023)