A multi-wavelength study of the first gamma-ray emitting LMXB XSS J12270-4859

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Fermi detected 1451 γ -ray sources (Abdo+ 2010) Most are AGN, some are Galactic sources. Half of them are un-IDed. 3 HMXB

Pulsar

SNR

AGN

Un-IDed

There are many un-IDed Galactic sources.

So, there must be new classes of Galactic sources.

Goal of this study: to find γ -ray emitting LMXBs

Approach

1. Find LMXBs from the INTEGRAL catalog.

- Optical spectroscopy can find CVs and LMXBs. (Masetti+ 2006; Pretorius 2009)
- X-ray observations distinguish CVs and LMXBs. (Saitou+ 2009)
 - CVs: Fe lines, long-term variability (~hours). LMXBs: no Fe lines, short-term variability (~sec).

2. Find the Fermi counterpart.

- Correlation of γ -ray and others. (de Martino+ 2010; Hill+ 2011)

3. Reveal the nature.

- Simultaneous X-ray / IR observations. (Saitou+ 2011)
- Broad-band SED. (Saitou+ 2011)

2. LMXB? - Optical spectroscopy

We observed INTEGRAL sources with Suzaku.

XSS J12270-4859

- discovered by RXTE (Revnivtsev+ 2004)
- re-discovered by INTEGRAL (Bird+ 2007)
- a binary system with a low-mass companion by follow-up optical spectroscopy (Masetti+ 2006; Pretorius 2009)

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3. Fermi counterpart? - γ -ray and radio



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XSS J12270-4859 is a Fermi source and a radio source

4. Nature? - Simultaneous X-ray / IR

X-ray (RXTE; 2-10 keV) and NIR (IRSF; J, H, Ks) observations (PI: Saitou)



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- 1. Find LMXBs from the INTEGRAL catalog. Suzaku revealed the source is a LMXB.
- **2. Find the Fermi counterpart.** The source has the Fermi counterpart.
- 3. Reveal the nature.

A microquasar with a synchrotron jet.

At 1 kpc, L_{bol} ~10³⁴ erg/s, ~10⁻⁴ L_{Edd} for 1 M_{\odot} .

XSS J12270-4859 is

- the first γ -ray emitting LMXB
- a microquasar at low luminosity state

5. Discussion

XSS J12270-4859 shows characteristic variability



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Similar variable γ -ray sources may be still hidden in the Galaxy.

6. Summary

Lots of un-IDed Galactic sources in the Fermi catalog. There must be new classes of sources.

XSS J12270-4859 is a good example.

- first γ -ray LMXB at low L_{bol}
- microquasar with a synchrotron jet
- unique X-ray variability

In the future, eROSITA & ASTRO-H are helpful to identify these un-IDed Fermi sources.

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