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Einstein Probe Mission Call for Observing Proposals (Cycle-3)

Dear EP science team members,

On behalf of the EP Science Management Committee (SMC), we are pleased to invite you to respond to the call for submitting observing proposals using the Follow-up X-ray Telescope (FXT) of the *Einstein Probe* (EP) mission during its third year of operations (Cycle-3).

Cycle-3 proposals are subject to peer review organized by each of the Parties (CAS, MPE, ESA and CNES) separately. The proposals approved by SMC will be considered for scheduling during the third observing year of EP, which is expected to begin from August 2026. This call is open to EP science-team members (including all STP members and associate members), as well as non-science-team members from institutions in China as EP Guest Observer (GO) program.

All the Cycle-3 information can be found on the following EP Observing Proposal System (EOPS) website, including proposer's guidance, proposal-supporting documents, tools and access to the EP proposal submission interface.

EOPS website: https://ep.bao.ac.cn/ep/proposal_submit/user_proposal_create_guide

Expected Dates:

EOPS opening: March 2nd 2026

Proposal submission due: April 3rd 2026

Announcement of review results: Early June 2026

Looking forward to receiving your proposals!

Yours sincerely,

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