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Microquasar Jets

From Binary Systems to the Inter-Stellar Medium

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Abstract. Microquasars, the miniature replicas of distant quasars and radio-galaxies, are far from unveiling their mysteries. Although tiny and weak compared to quasars, their sizes and distances are advantageous when observing these X-ray binaries producing jets. Thus, studying microquasars can help us to understand the complex physical phenomena of accretion and ejection of material surrounding a compact object. This review on microquasars will focus on the properties of the jets at small and large scales, touching on the analogy with quasars. I will also present the MINE collaboration and its attempts to conduct multiwavelength observations simultaneously with INTEGRAL.