Constraints on Reionization from the Local Group

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The found satellites



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Subhalo destruction



Disk disruption is necessary to explain the pericenter distribution of dwarfs seen in Gaia

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Simulations from CHaNGa



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Thanks!



Very high resolution simulations of small dwarfs (star particles of 30 $M_{\odot})$

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