

Nobel Prize – Physics



2006: John Mather, George Smoot, U.S., for discovering “the blackbody form and anisotropy of the cosmic microwave background radiation”, cementing the “Big Bang” theory of the origin of the universe



2005: John L. Hall, Roy J. Glauber, U.S., Theodor Haensch, Germany. Advancing precision of optic technology

2004: David Gross, David Politzer, Frank Wilczek, U.S. Discovery and exploration of strong force and quarks

2003: Alexei A. Abrikosov, U.S./Russia, Anthony J. Leggett, U.S./UK, Vitaly L. Ginzburg, Russia. Work in superconductivity and superfluidity

2002: Masatoshi Koshiba, Japan, Raymond Davis, Jr., U.S. Research into cosmic neutrinos; **Riccardo Giacconi, U.S.** Work that led to discovery of cosmic X-ray sources