

# Gamma-Ray Indirect Rapporteur

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# Introduction



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- **Extragalactic aficionados → “GAD”**

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## Challenges:

20% increase on ICRC 2019

125 posters, 130 talks...  
~ 30 hours of pre-recorded  
videos

→ 20 hours at x1.5 speed!



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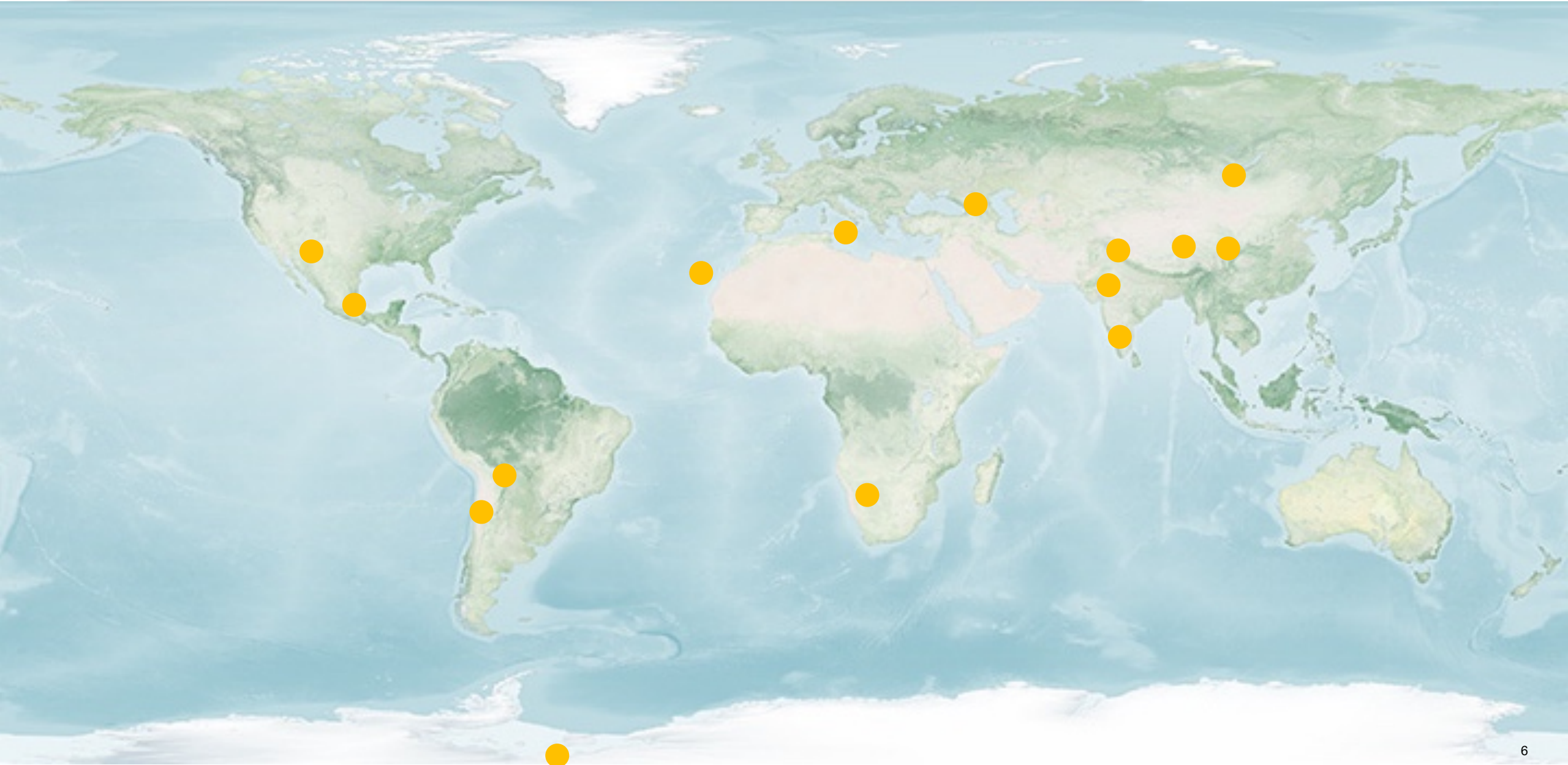
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# Ground-based Gamma-ray Astronomy @ ICRC 2021





# Detection methods for ground-based gamma-ray astronomy

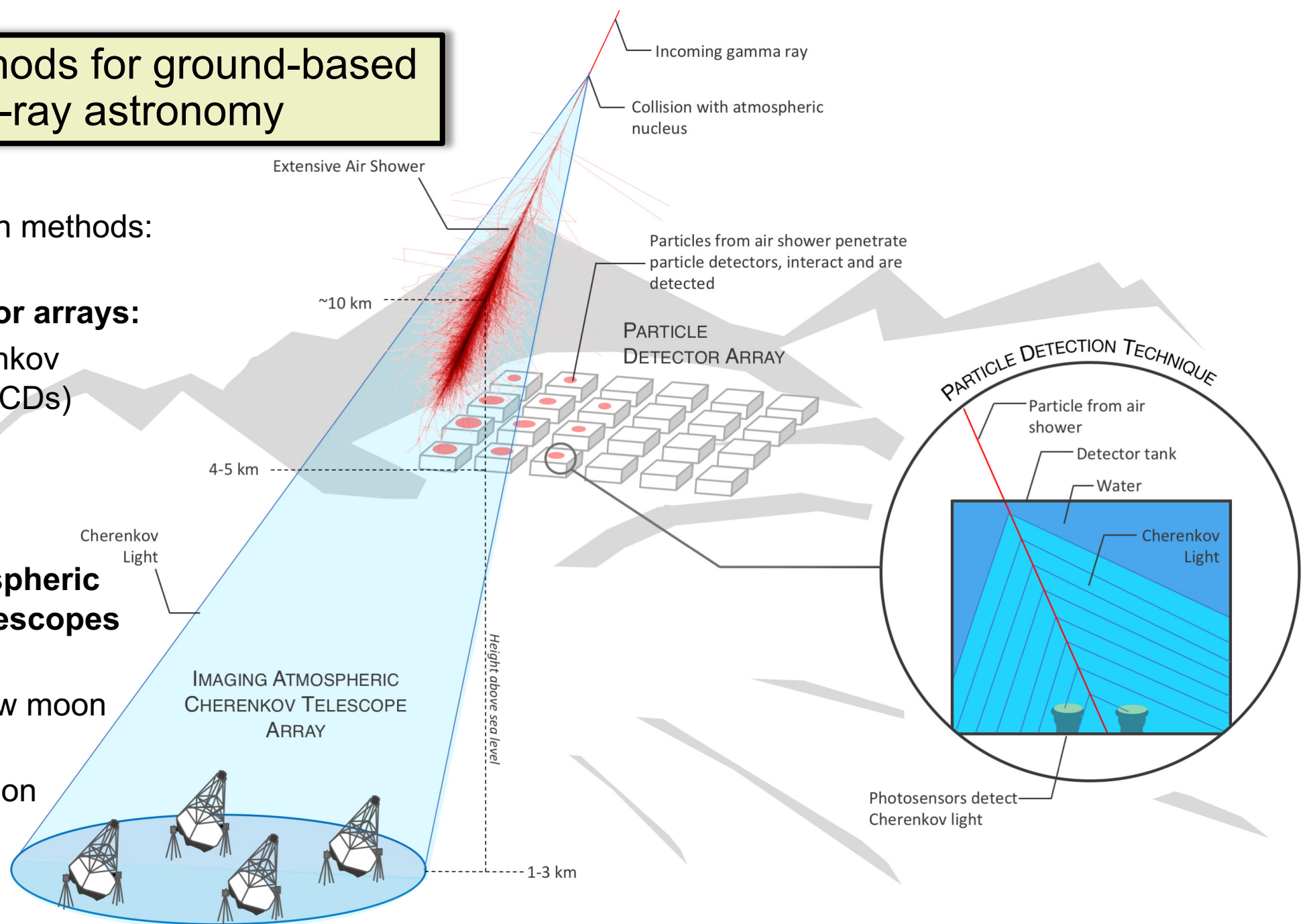
- Two main detection methods:

- Particle detector arrays:**

- Water Cherenkov Detectors (WCDs)
    - Scintillators
    - Up to 24/7

- Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes (IACTs)**

- Night only, low moon
    - ...or a combination

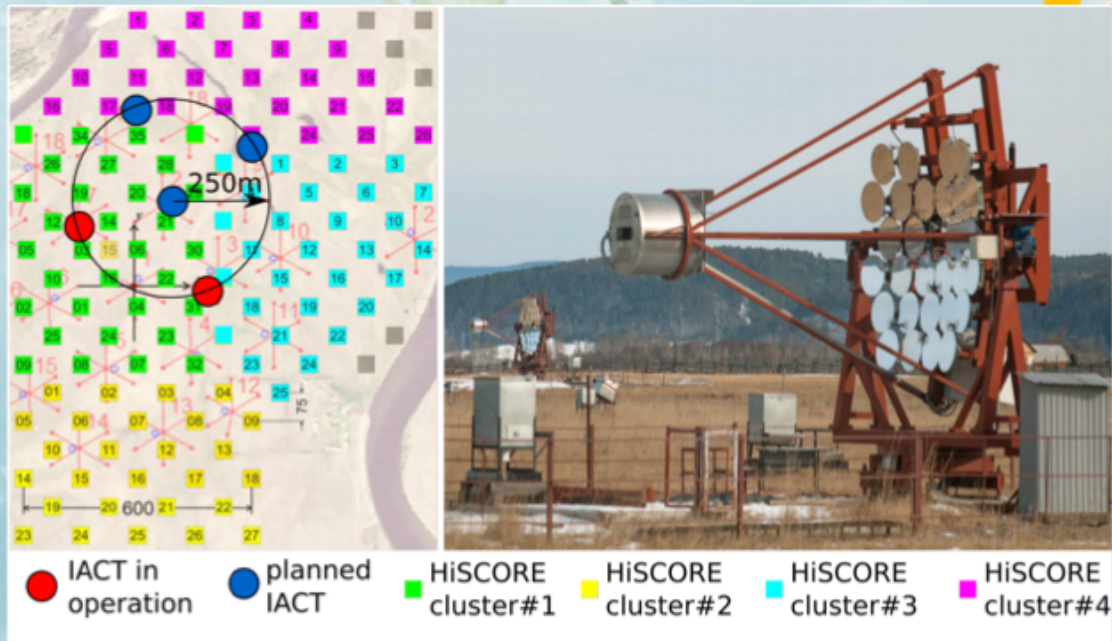




# TAIGA 675m



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- P. Volchugov
- A. Porelli
- A. Borodin

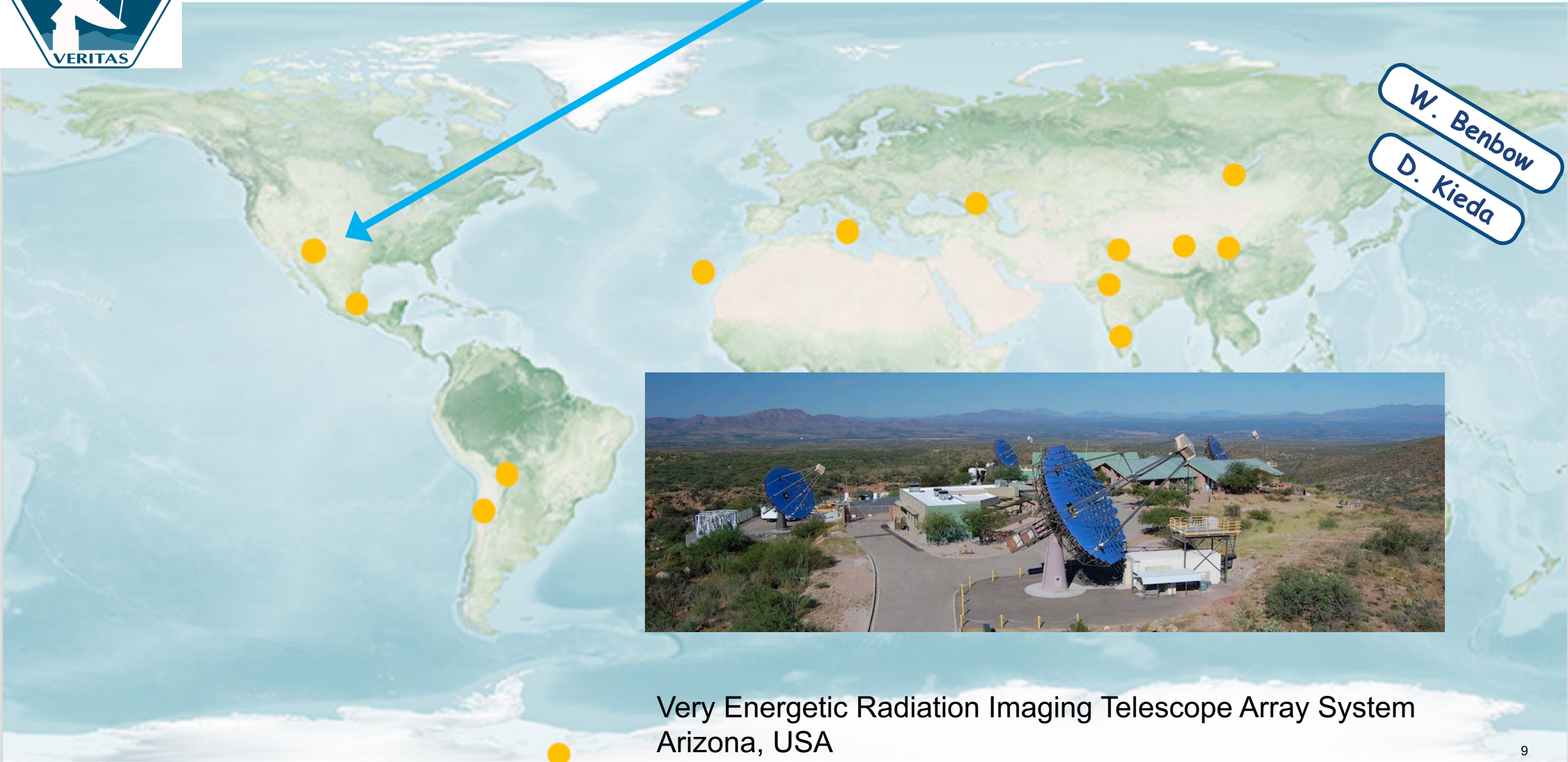


Tunka Advanced Instrument for cosmic ray physics and Gamma Astronomy  
● Tunka Valley near lake Baikal, Siberia, Russia





VERITAS 1268m



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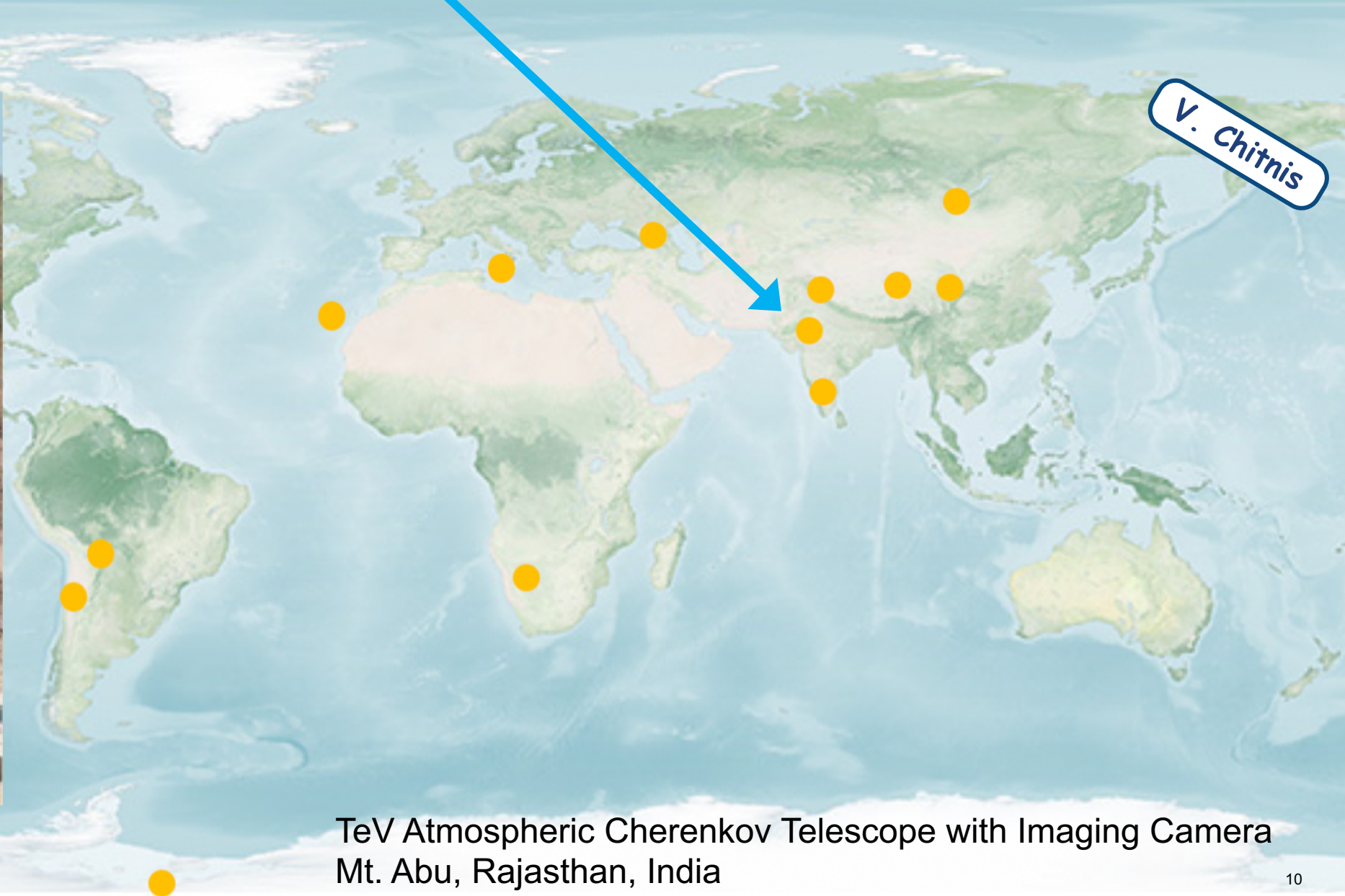
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Very Energetic Radiation Imaging Telescope Array System  
Arizona, USA



TACTIC 1300m

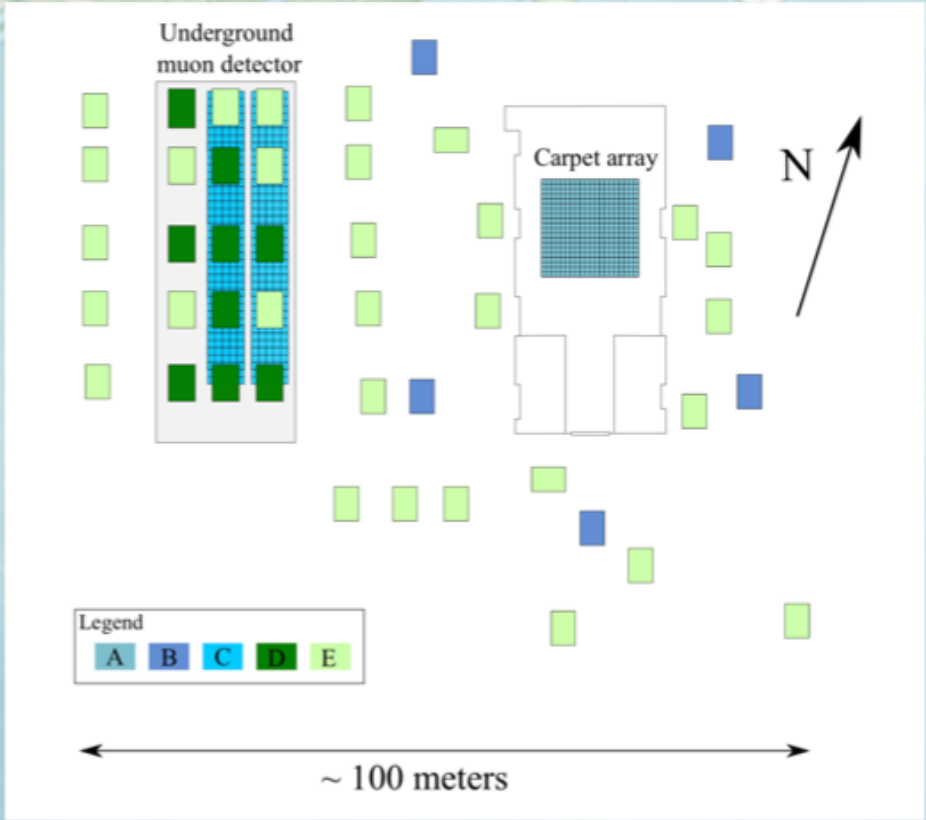


TeV Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescope with Imaging Camera  
Mt. Abu, Rajasthan, India



# Carpet-3 1700m

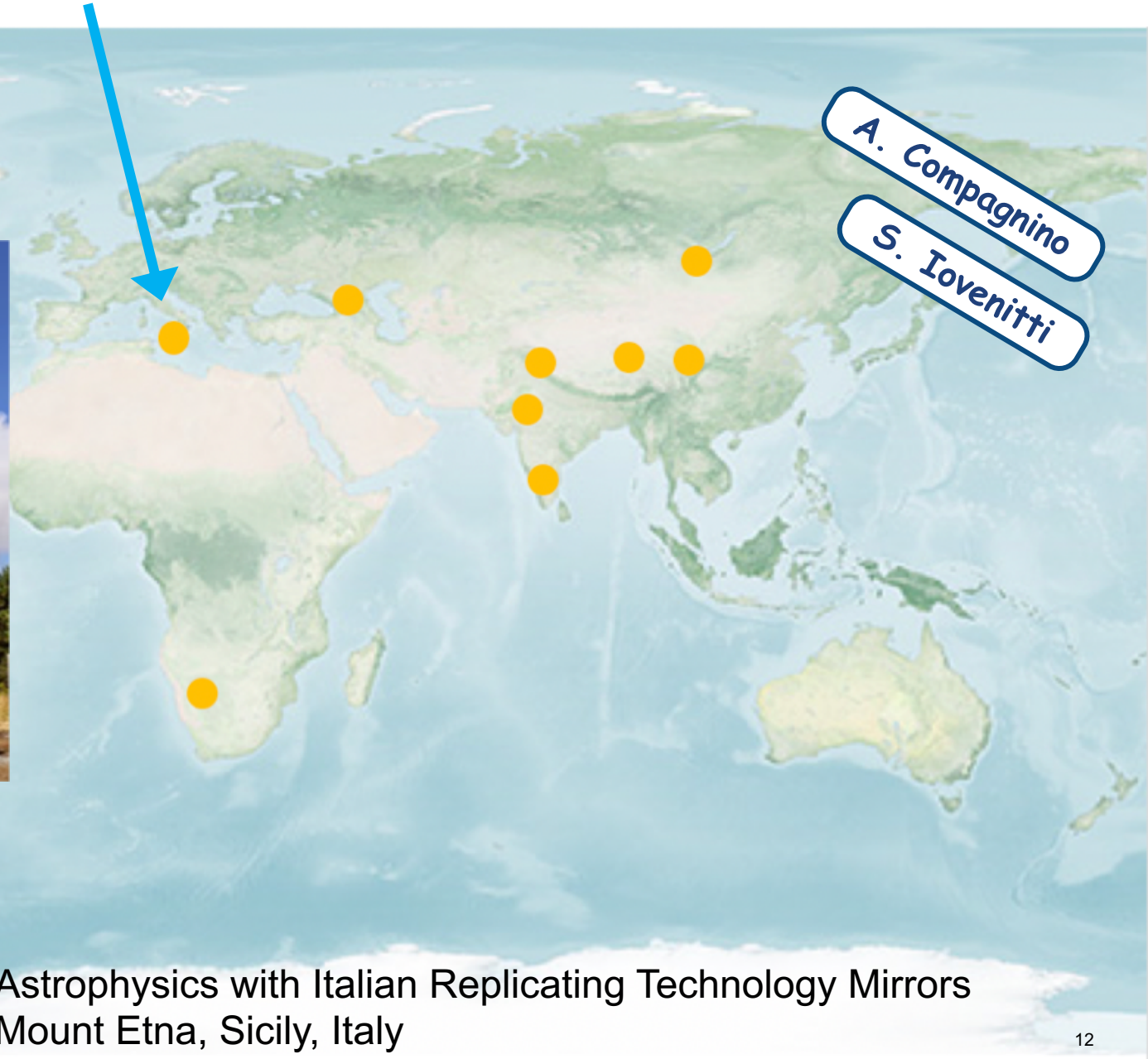
V. Romanenko



Baksan Neutrino Observatory, Mount Elbrus, Russia



ASTRI-Horn 1740m

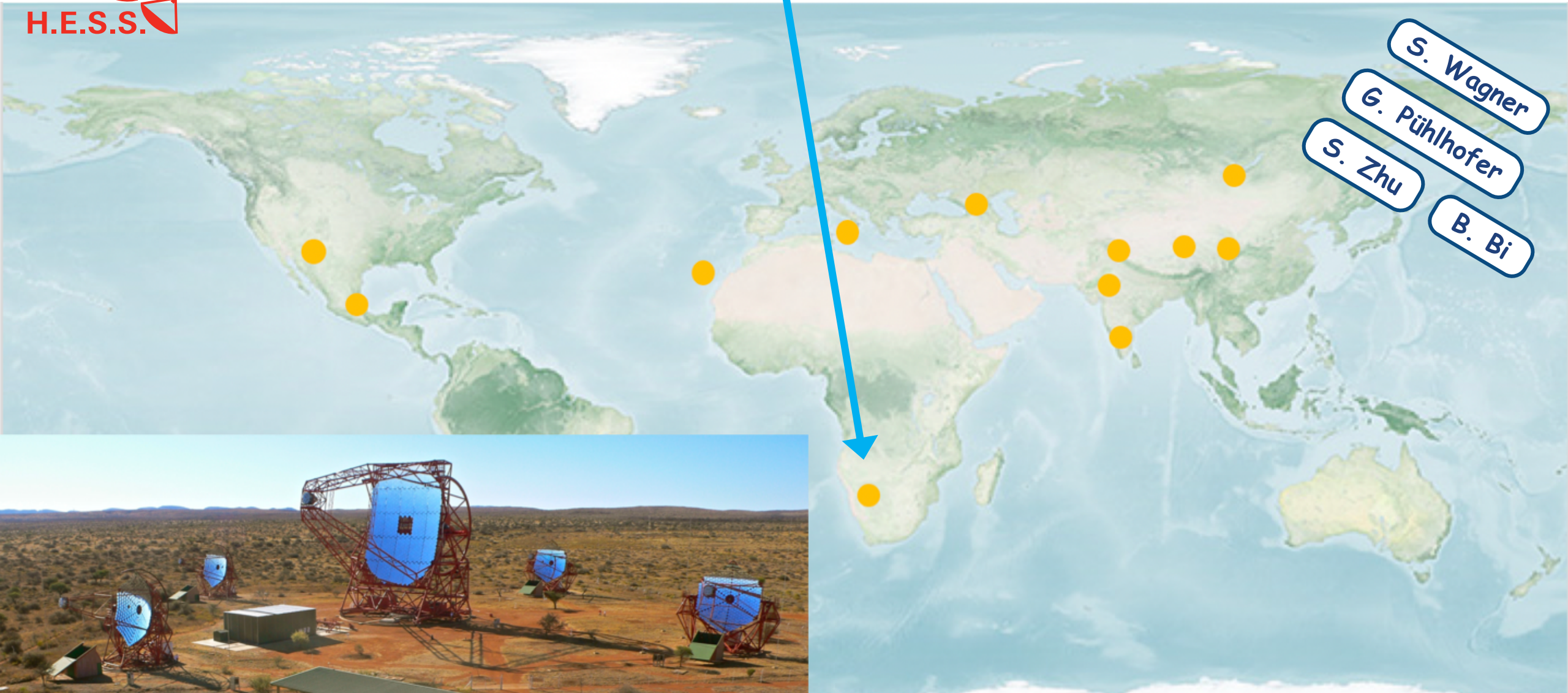


Astrophysics with Italian Replicating Technology Mirrors  
Mount Etna, Sicily, Italy

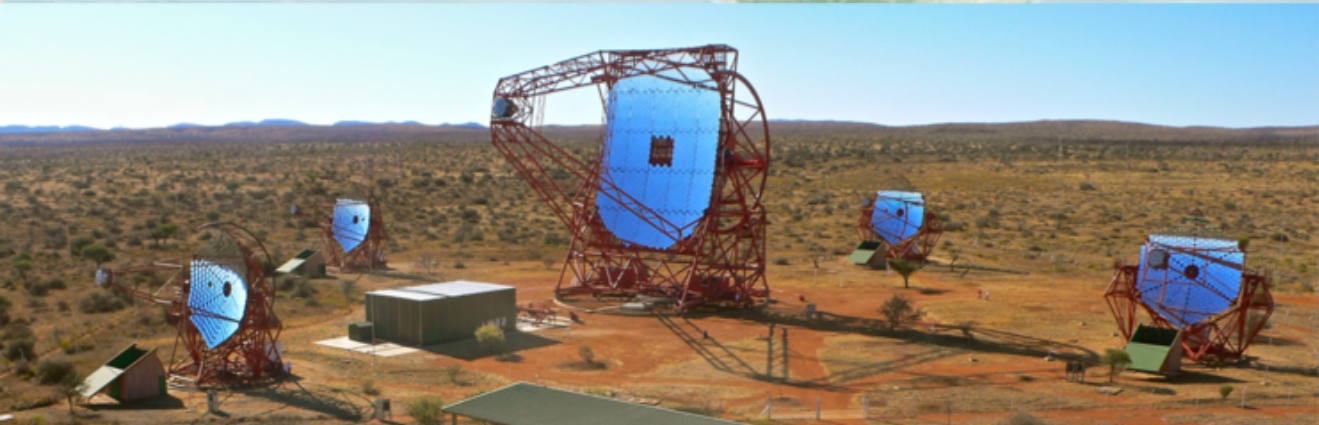




H.E.S.S. 1800m



- S. Wagner
- G. Pühlhofer
- S. Zhu
- B. Bi



High Energy Stereoscopic System  
Khomas Highlands, Namibia



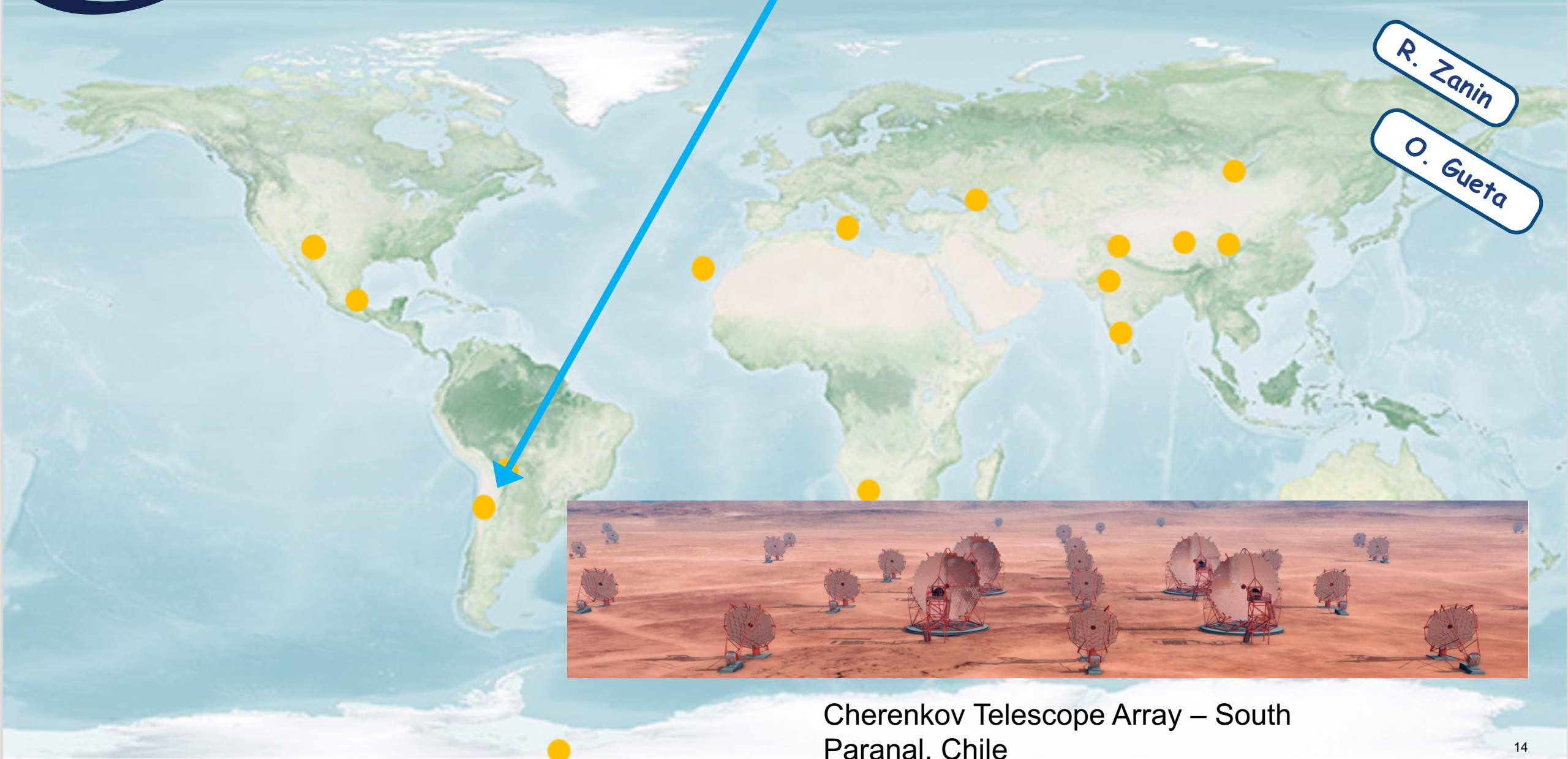


cherenkov  
telescope  
array

CTA-S 1800m

R. Zanin

O. Gueta



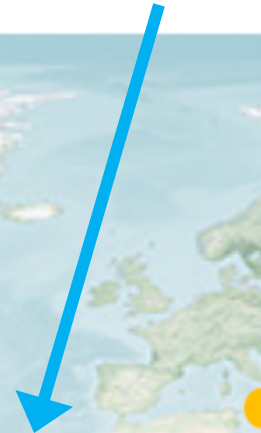
Cherenkov Telescope Array – South Paranal, Chile





MAGIC 2200m

LST, FACT, CTA-N



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C. Delgado  
G. Ceribella

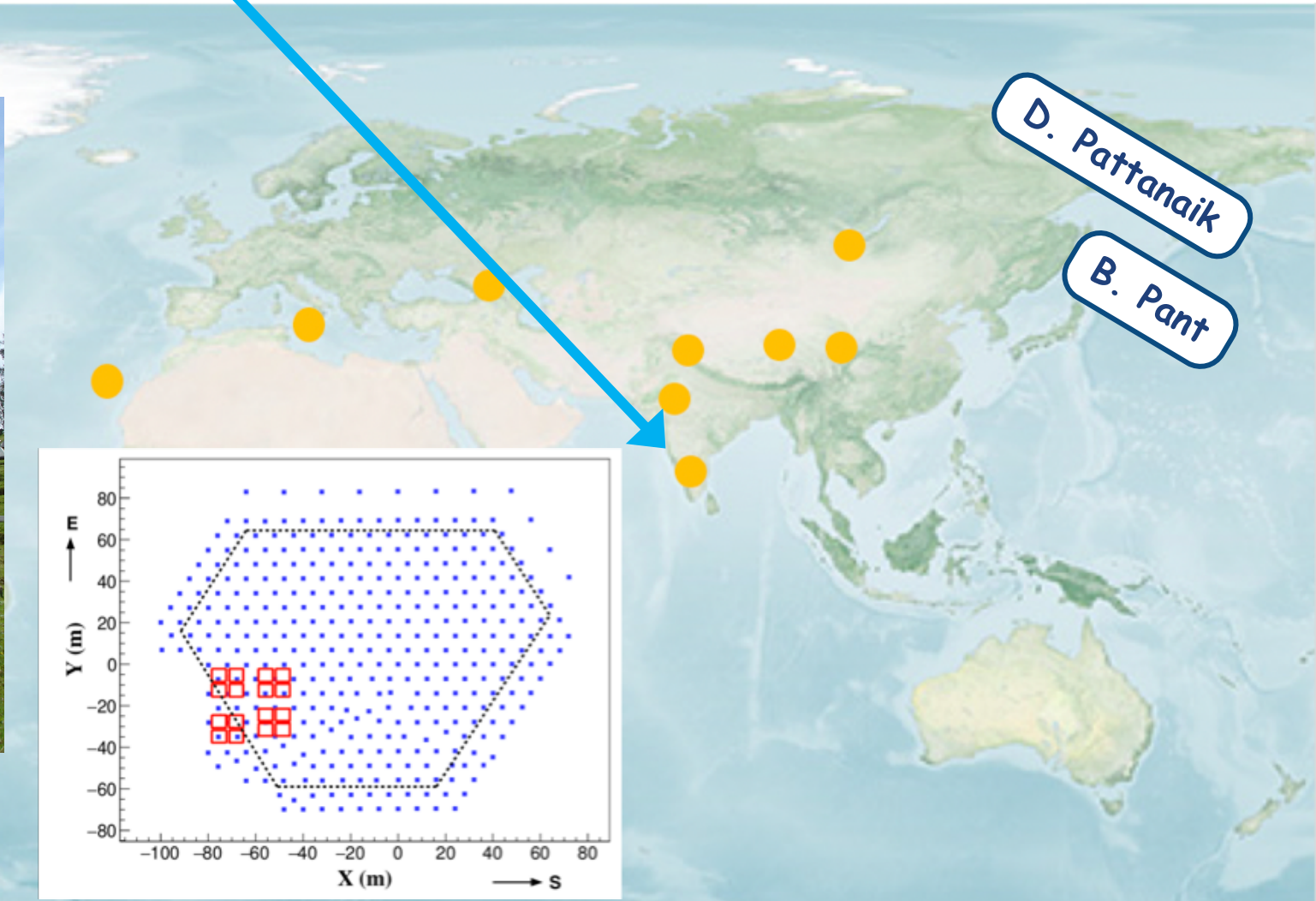
B. Schleicher  
D. Dorner  
T. Saito  
Y. Ohtani  
R. López-Coto  
Y. Kobayashi  
D. Mazin

Large-Sized Telescope (CTA-N)  
First G-APD Cherenkov Telescope

Major Atmospheric Gamma Imaging Cherenkov Telescopes  
Roque de los Muchachos, La Palma, Spain



# GRAPES-3 2200m



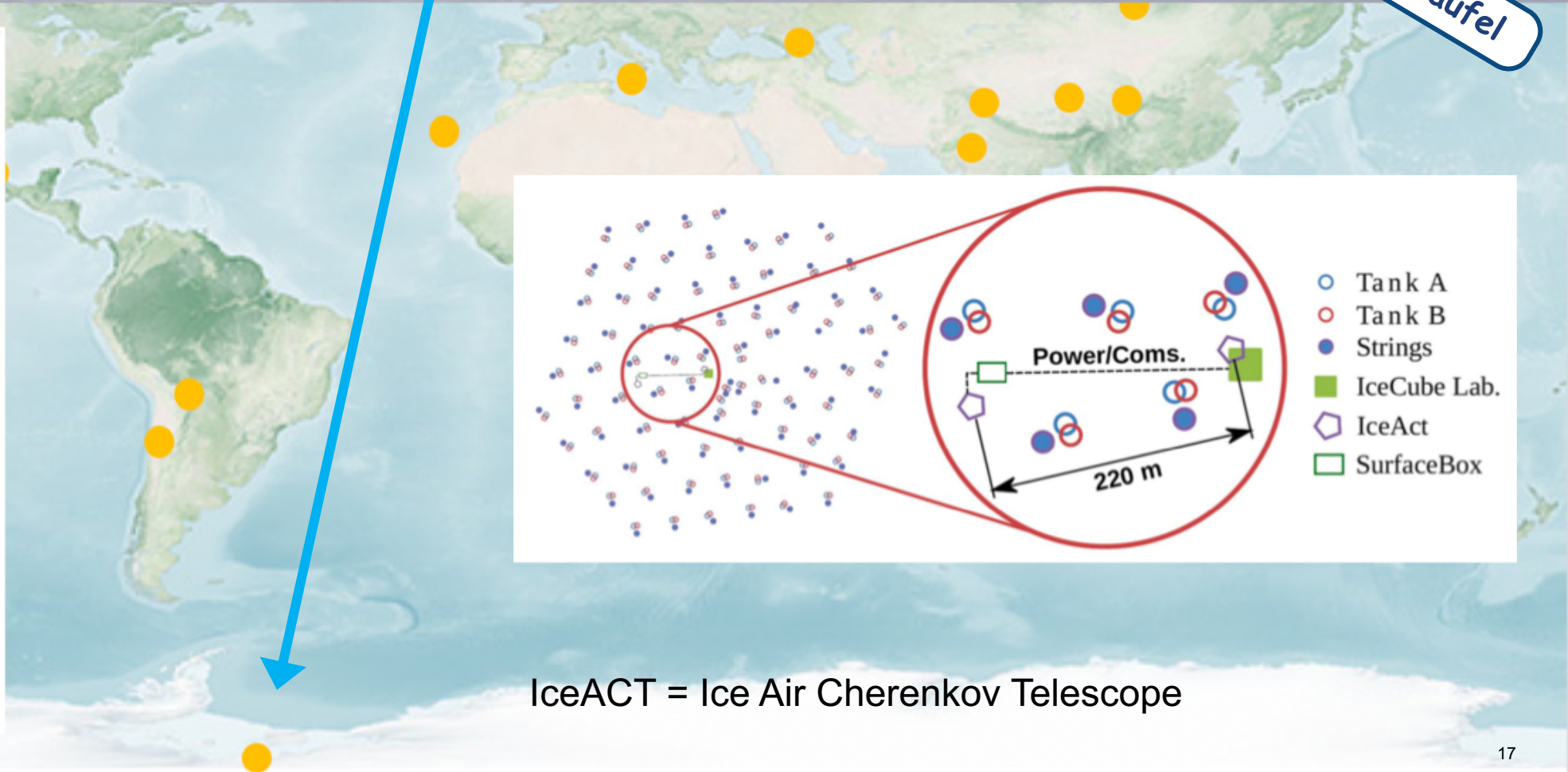
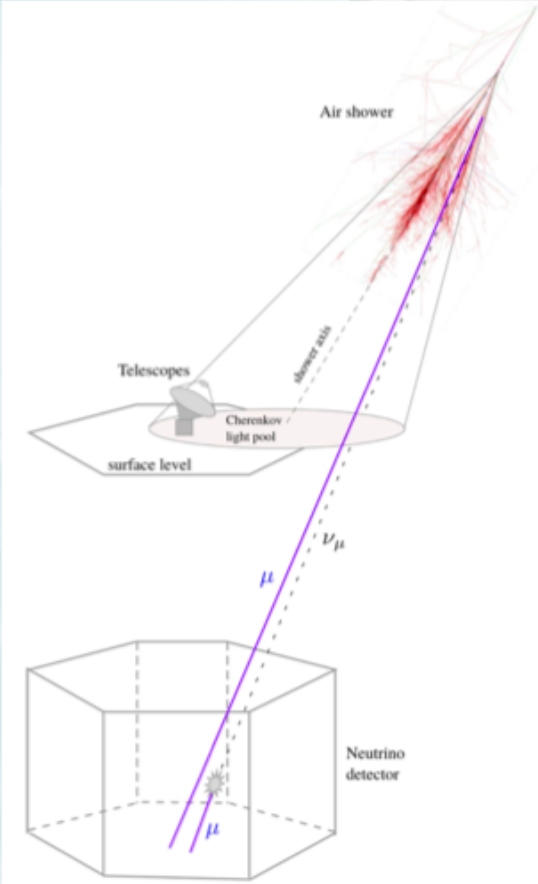
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Ooty, India



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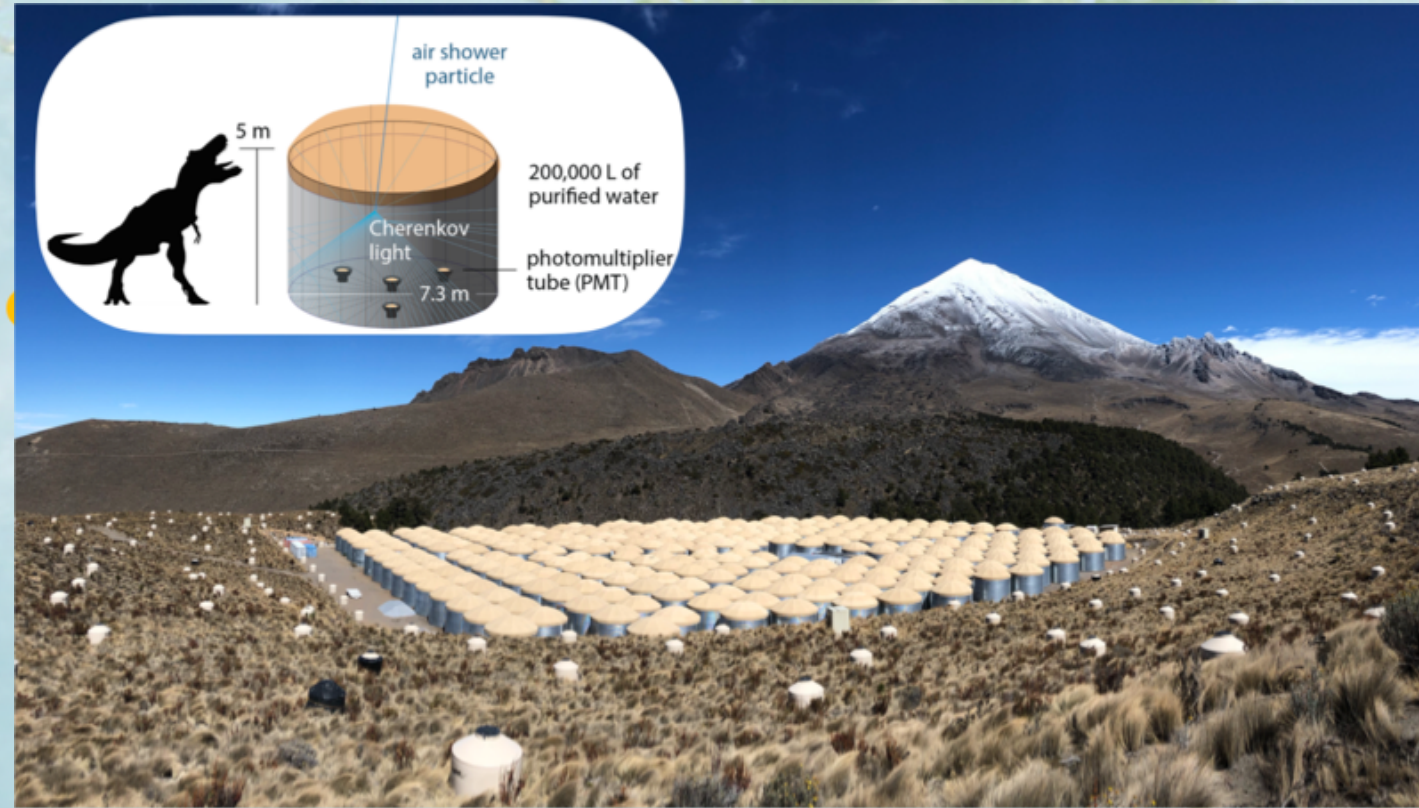
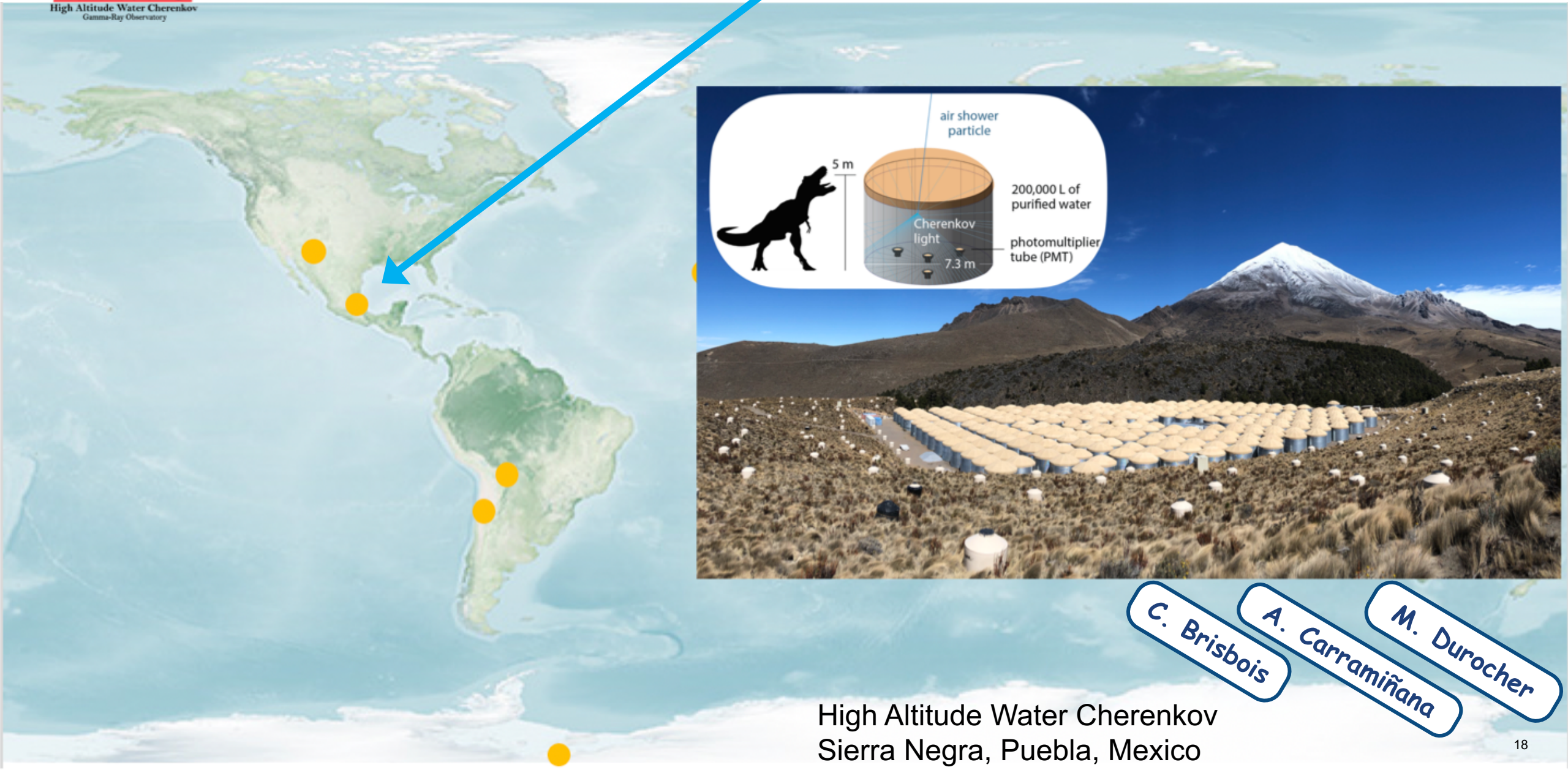


M. Schaufel





HAWC 4100m



C. Brisbois  
A. Carramiñana  
M. Durocher

High Altitude Water Cherenkov  
Sierra Negra, Puebla, Mexico



MACE 4270m

K. Yadav

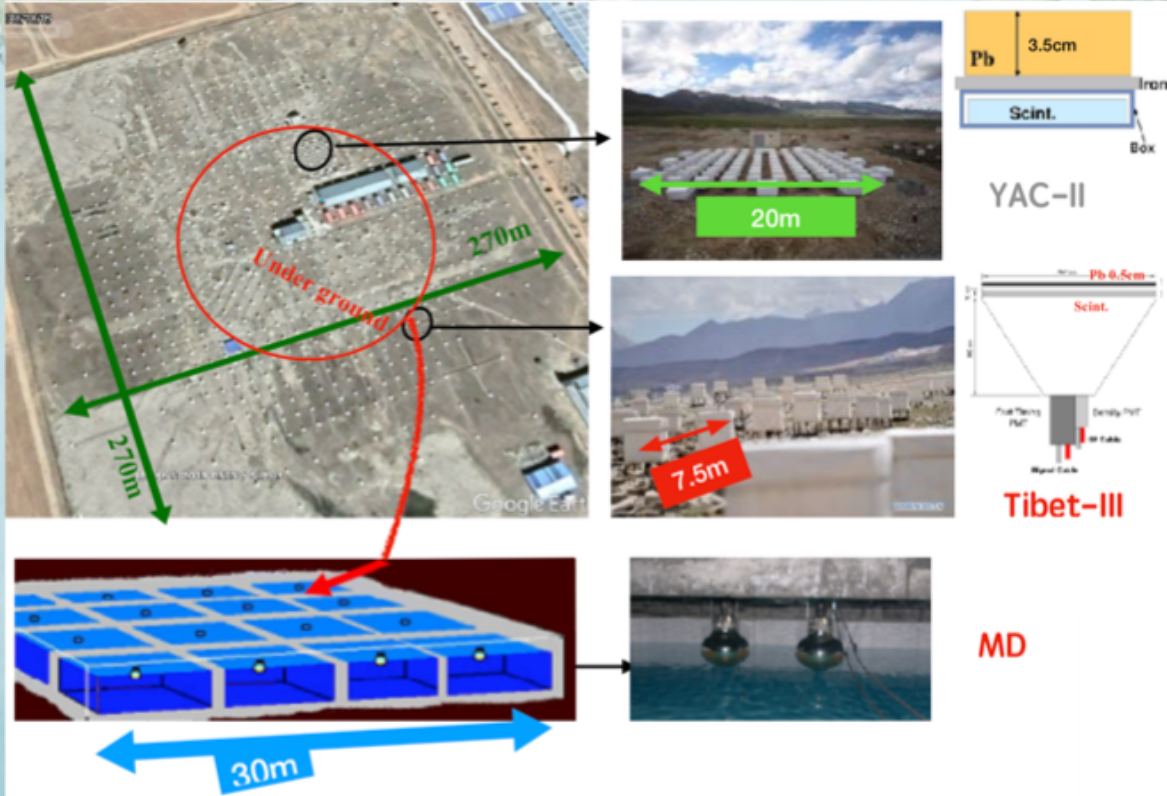
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Major Atmospheric Cherenkov Experiment  
Hanle, Ladakh, India



Tibet AS $\gamma$  4300m



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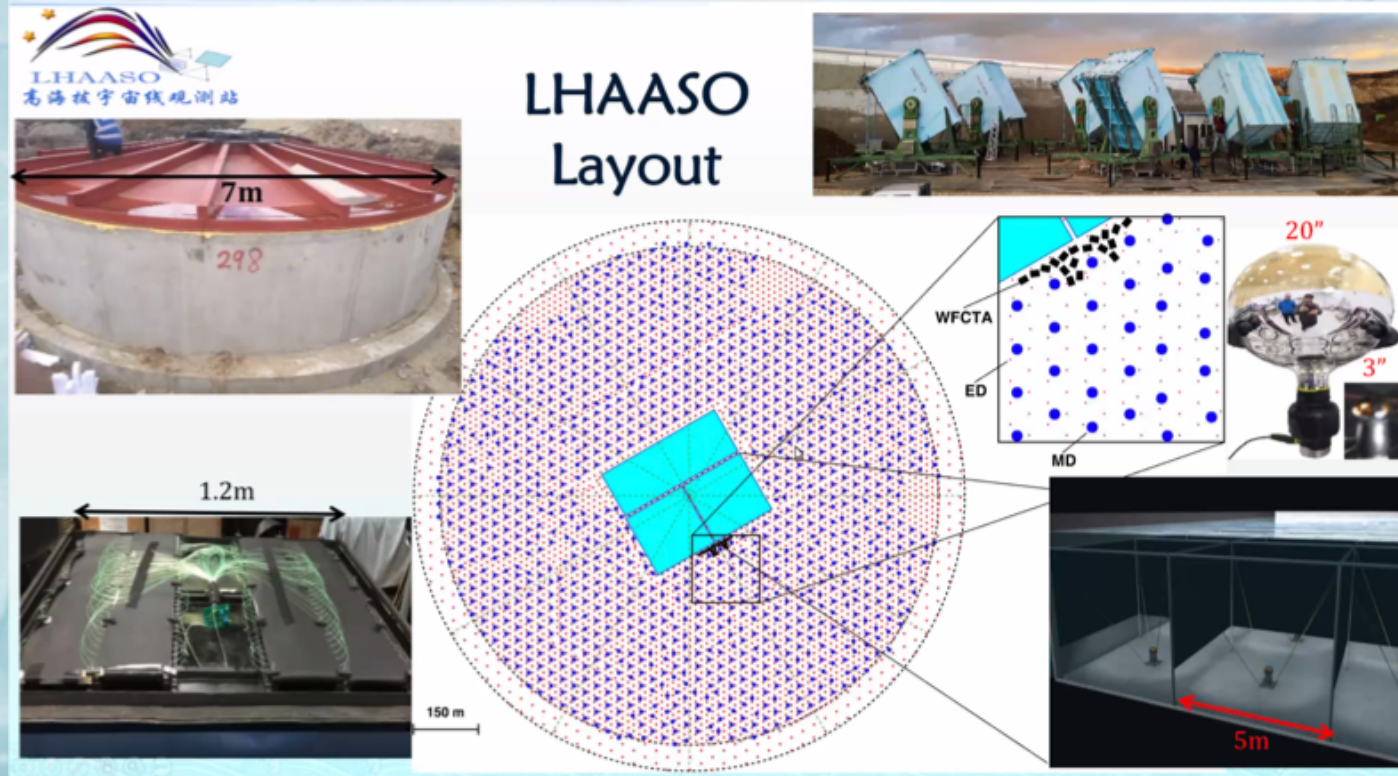
X. Chen

Air Shower experiment  
Yangbajing, Tibet, China



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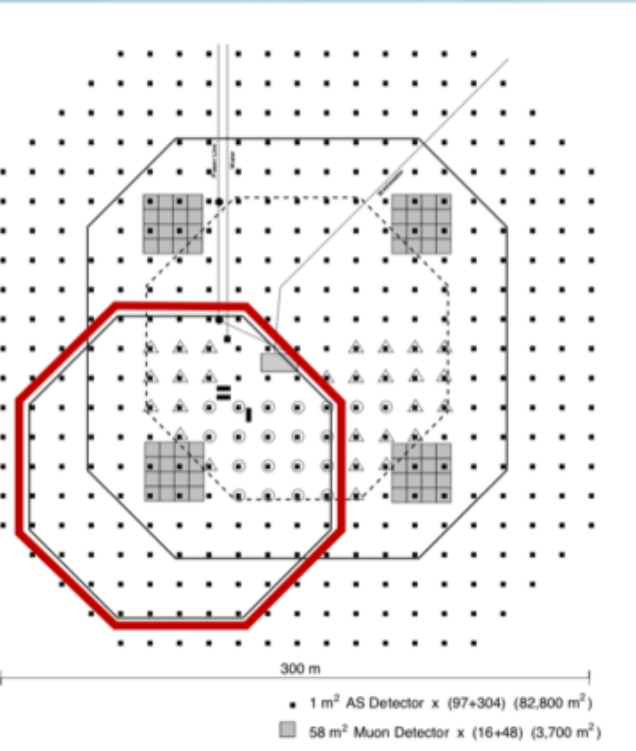
LHAASO 4410m



Large High Altitude Air Shower Observatory  
Daochen site, Sichuan province, China



# ALPACA 4740m



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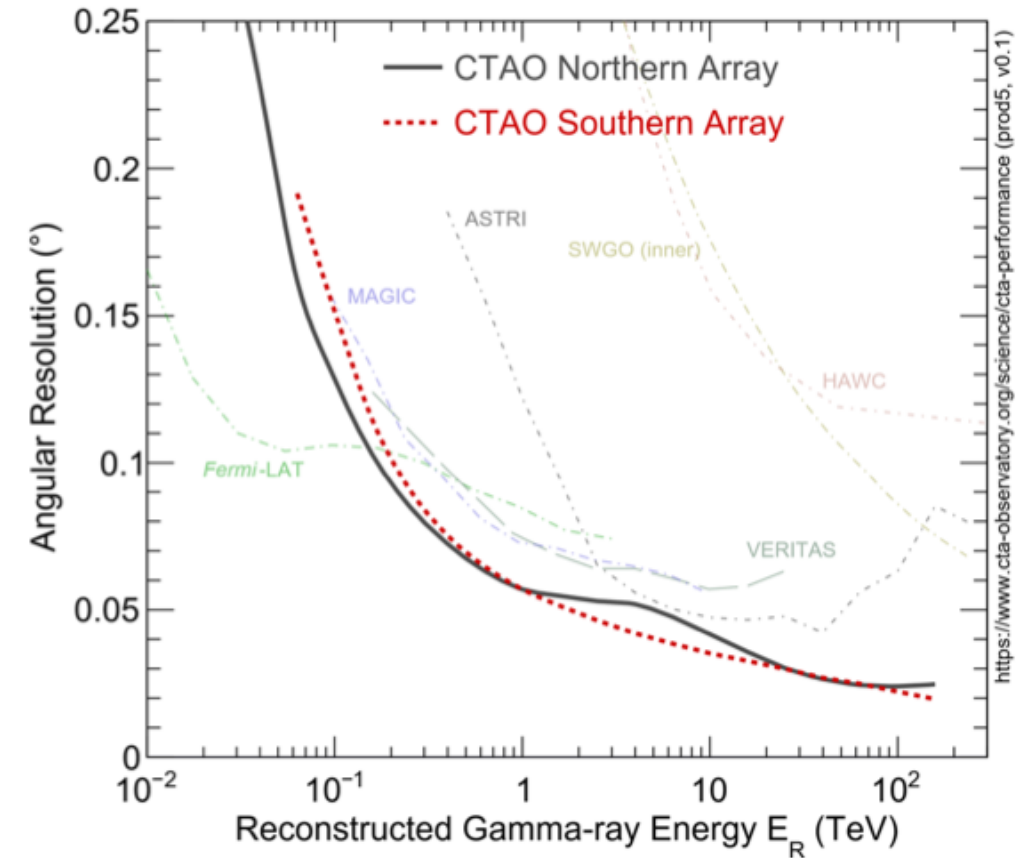
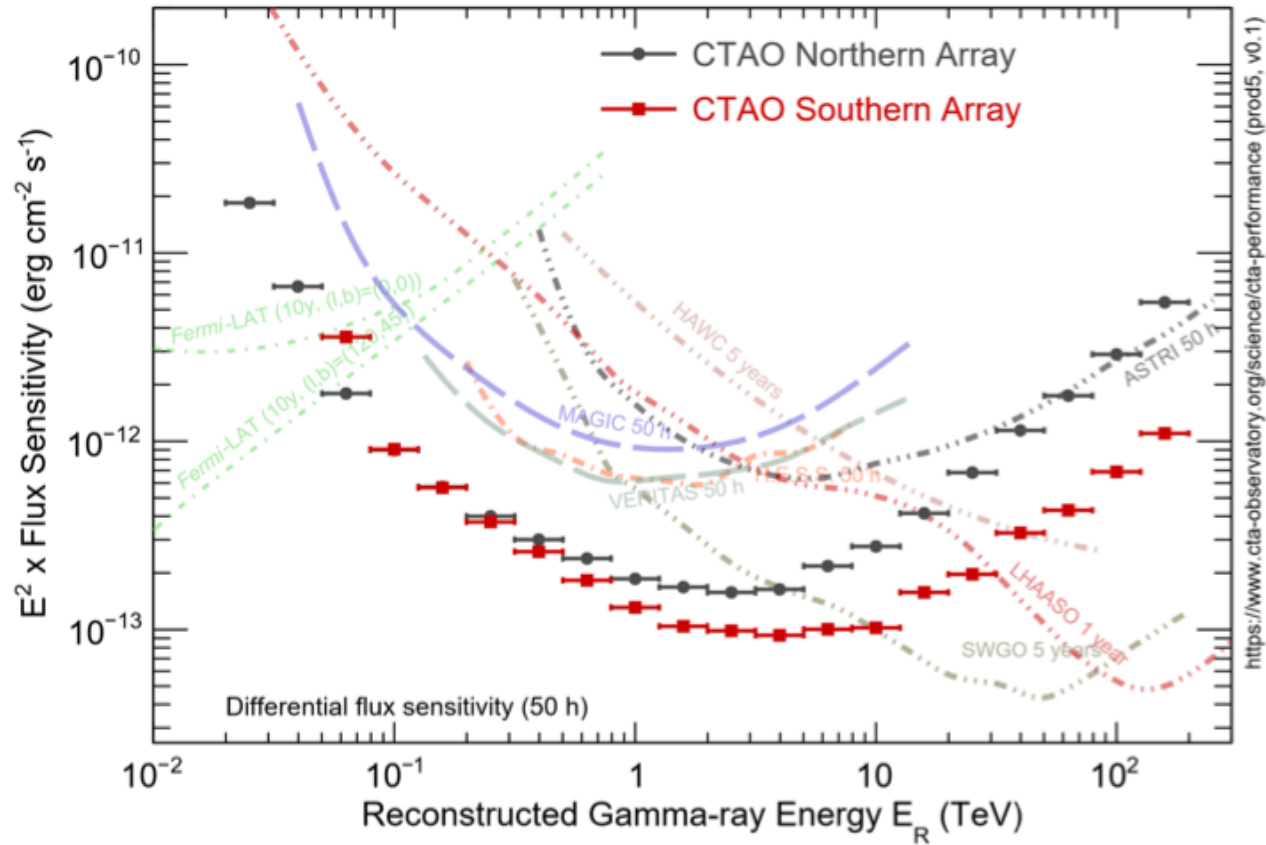
S. Kato

Andes Large-area Particle detector for Cosmic-ray physics and Astronomy

● Mt. Chacaltaya, Bolivia

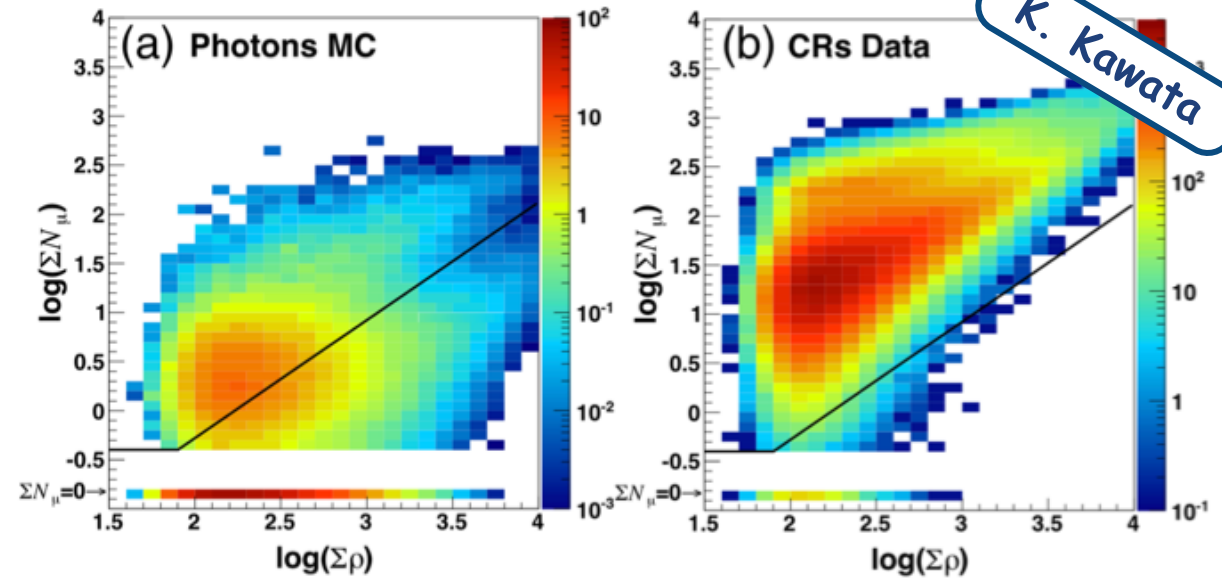
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- Different techniques → different performance



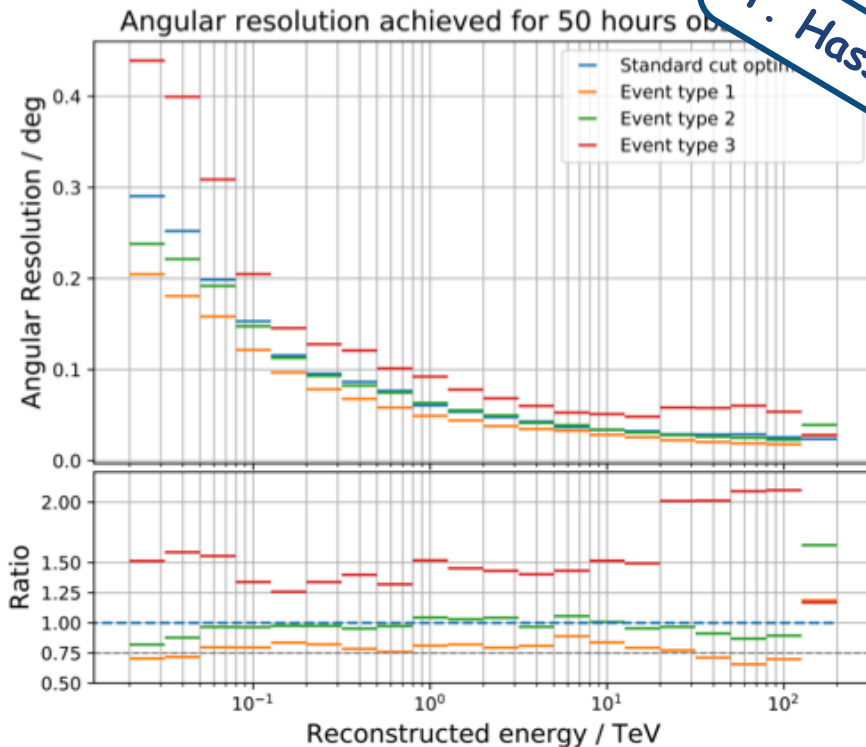


- Background rejection by muon tagging key for LHAASO and Tibet AS $\gamma$
- Potential improvements in background rejection using muon tagging in IACTs
- Improvements in IACT angular resolution using event type sub-division

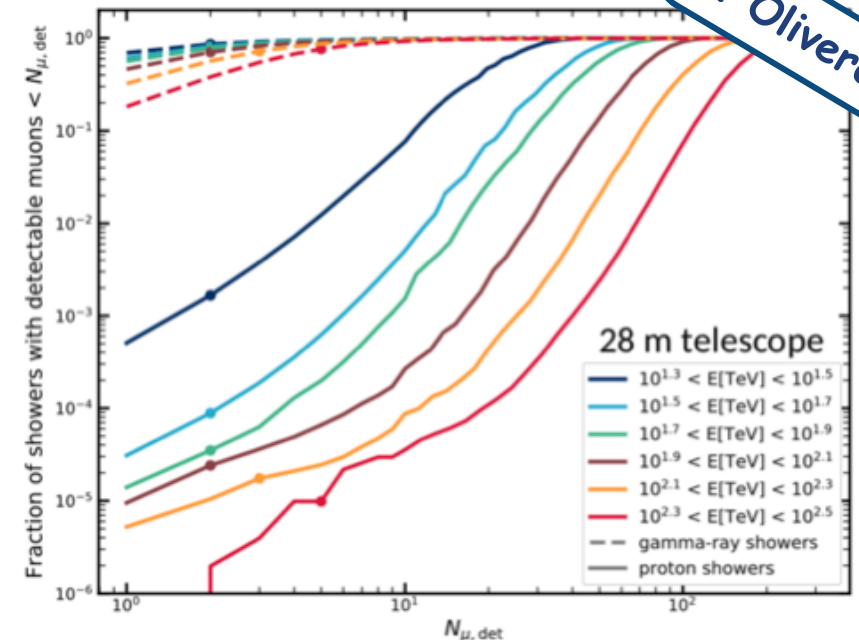


K. Kawata

Gamma Survival ratio : ~90% by MC sim (>100 TeV)  
 CR Survival ratio : ~10<sup>-3</sup> (>100 TeV)



T. Hassan

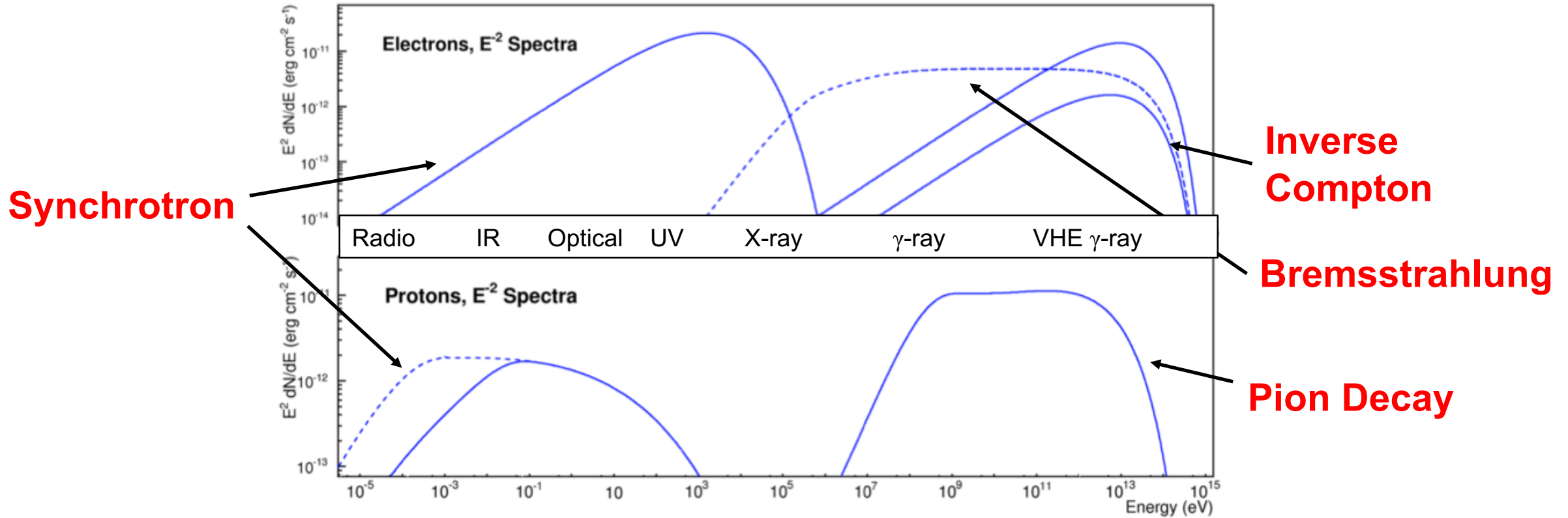


L. Olivera Nieto

# Gamma-ray Emission Mechanisms

Assumed knowledge!

“Hadronic vs Leptonic”



Hinton & Hofmann (2009)



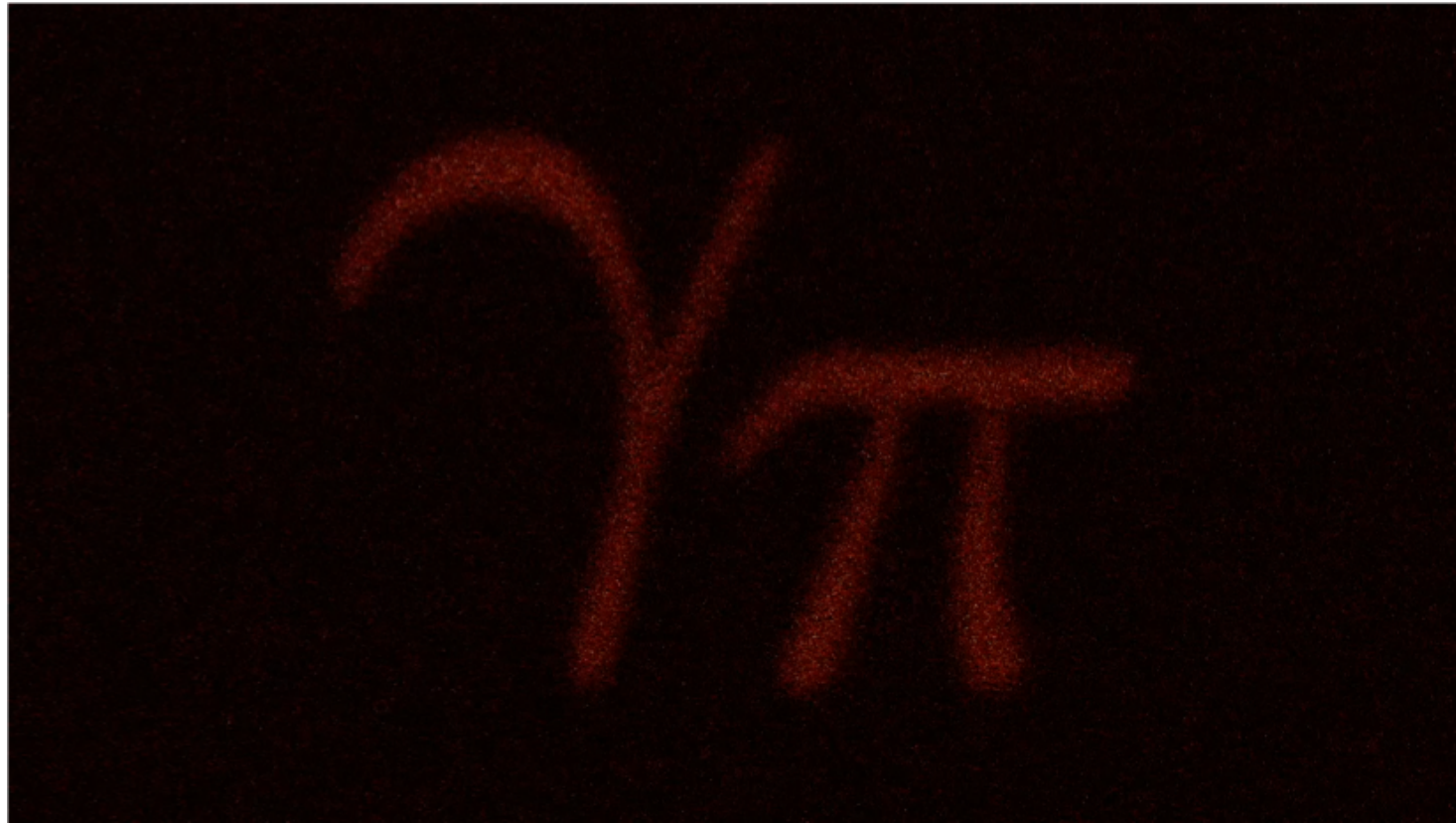
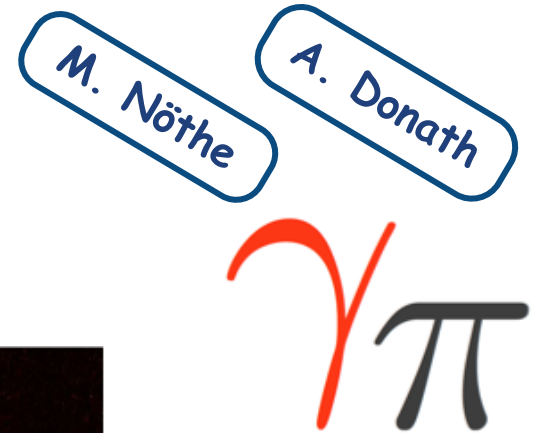
# 52 Analysis, Methods, Catalogues, Community Tools, Machine Learning...

(D. Elsässer, D. Parsons)



# Open Source Software

- How to support community development? (lead institutes / permanent staff)
- How to recognise contributions? (important for early career researchers)
- Python lead language – scope for others?
- Tied to major experiments (e.g. CTA -- ctapipe)

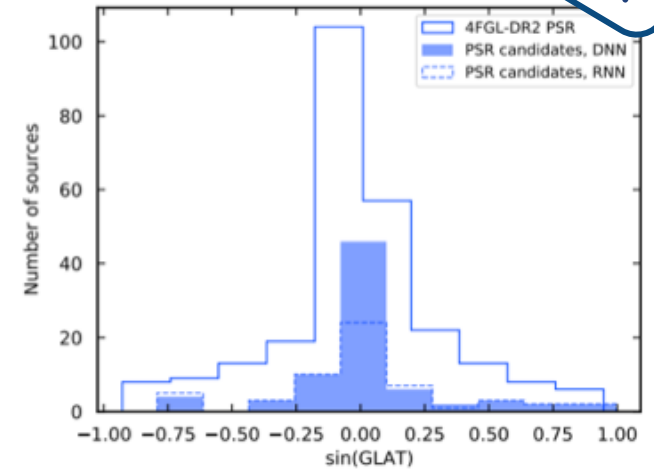
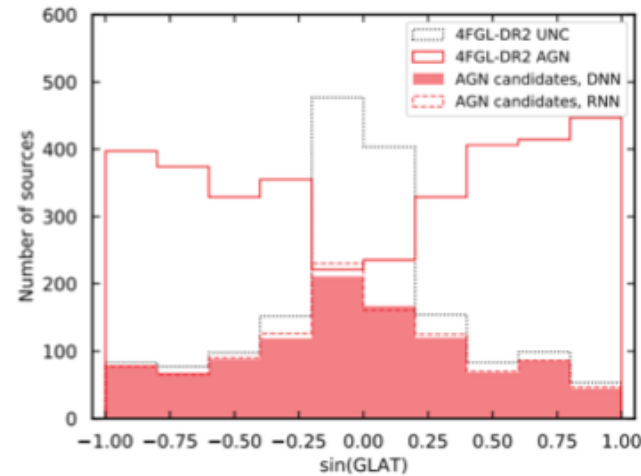




# Source detection analysis

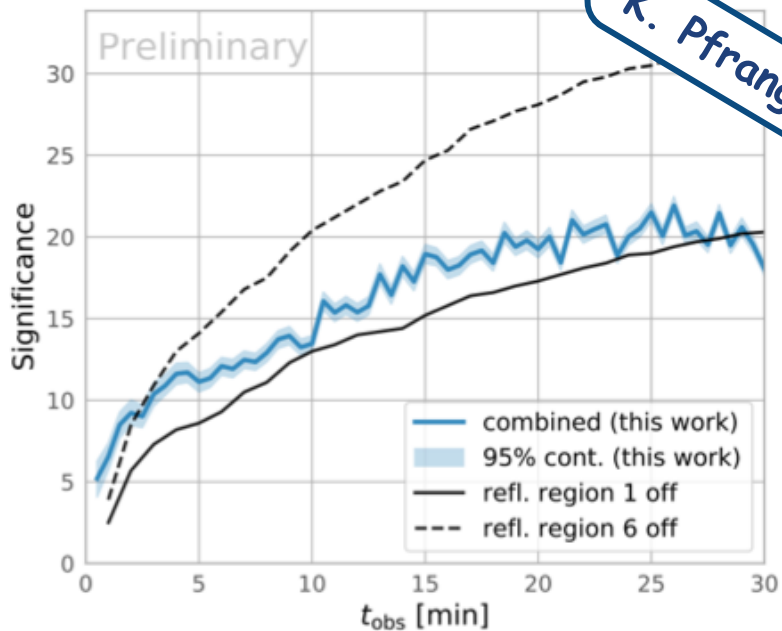
1. Source classification using machine learning
2. Transient detection using deep learning
3. Techniques for extended source analysis with IACTs

1 – Fermi-LAT, 30% 4FGL-DR2 of uncertain type



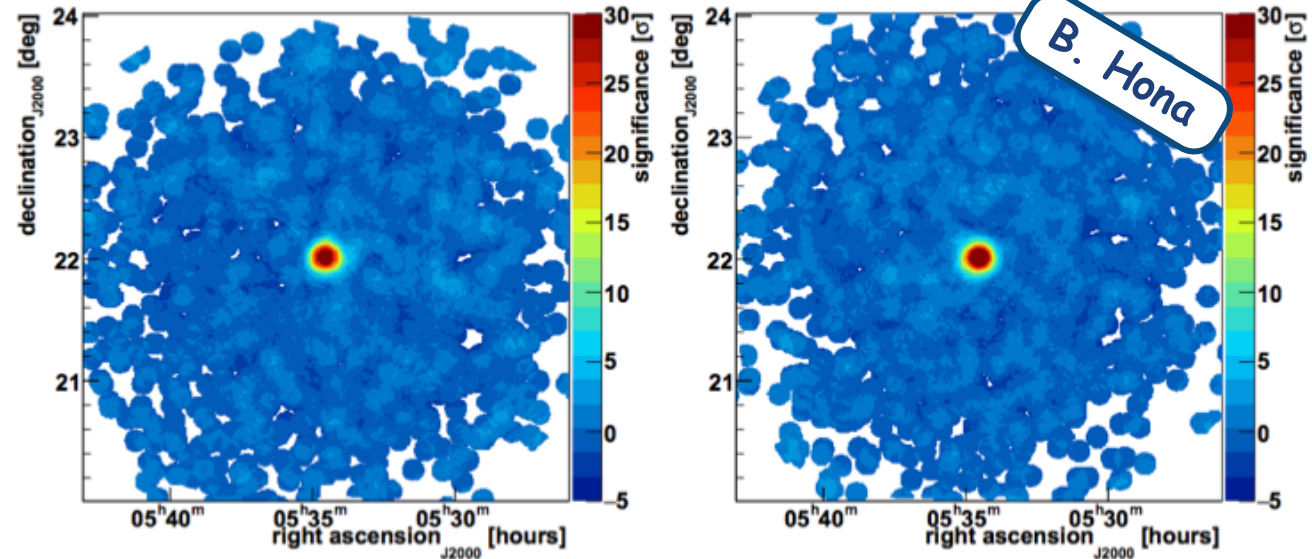
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## 2 - VERITAS



K. Pfrang

3 - VERITAS: validation tests on Crab



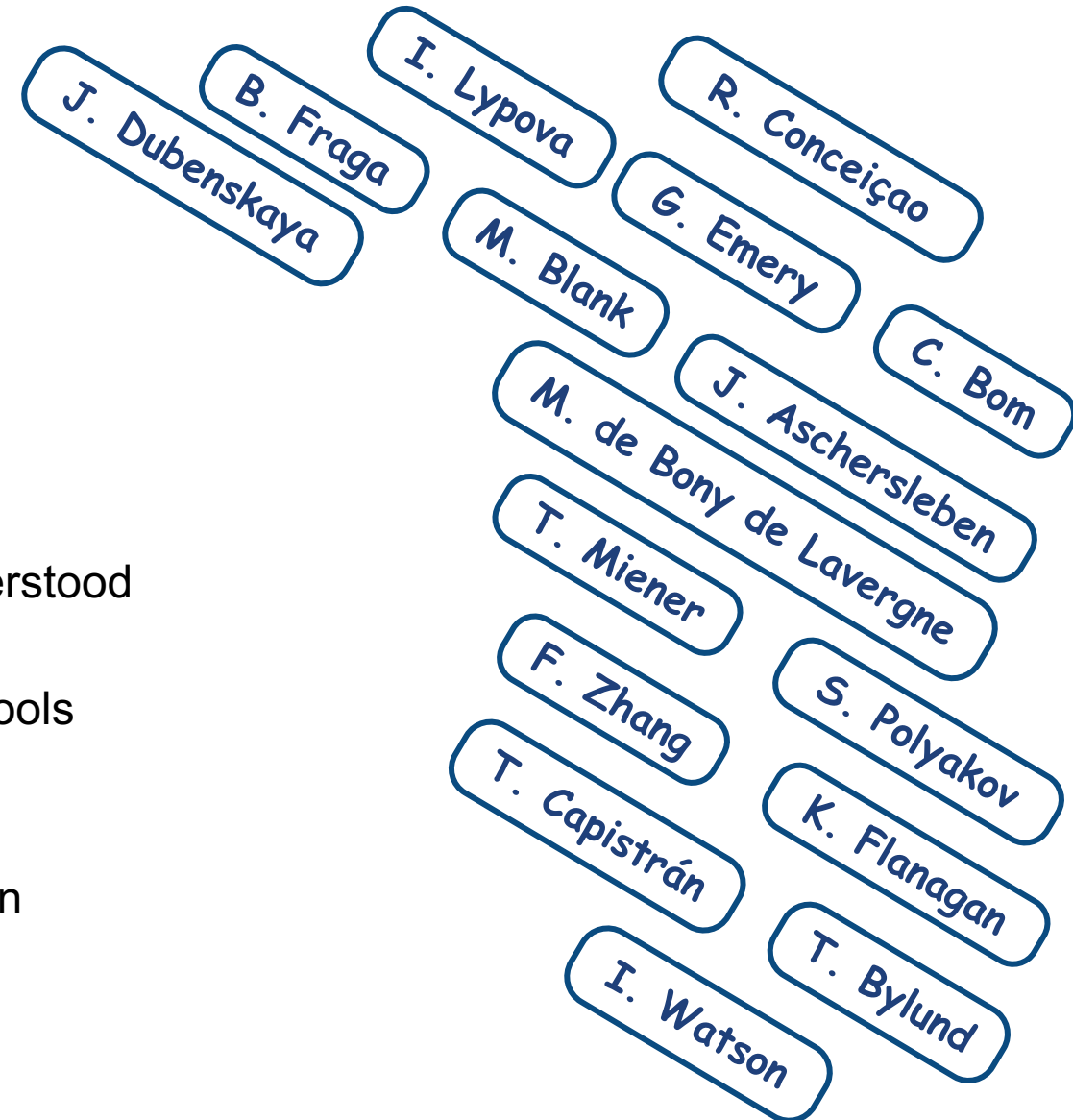
B. Hona

A. Chromey

R. Shang

# Event reconstruction and classification (Machine Learning vs “traditional”)

- Many contributions! Cannot mention all.
- **Key points:**
  - Deep Learning performance is meeting or exceeding “traditional” approaches.
  - Which approach to use?  
Two opinions:
    1. Use standard approaches where physics is well understood & ML gain negligible
    2. Always use ML where possible / most sophisticated tools available
  - Trade off between computing time and performance gain
    - ML approaches need considerable training data
    - Aim for sustainable solutions





# 51 The Census of Gamma-Ray Sources: TeV part

(R. Mukherjee, S. Ohm)



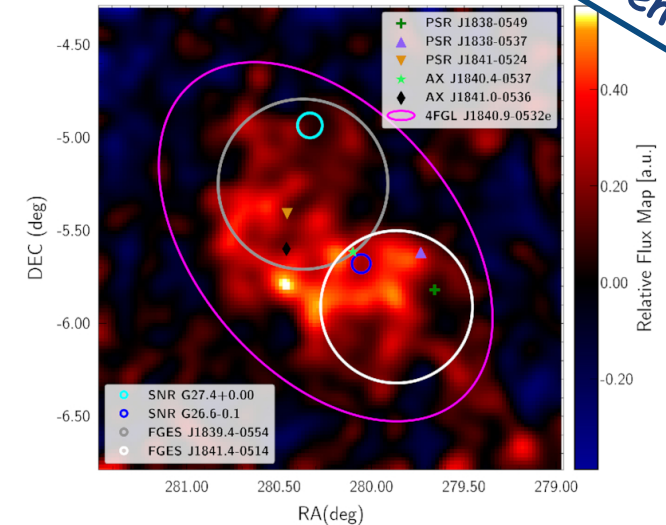
- **Key Points:**

- How to identify new source classes in catalogues?
  1. study individual sources in depth,
  2. add MWL information,
  3. feedback to population studies.
- Shared methods / tools? Independence of studies for cross-checks?
- Upcoming missions and prospects for population studies
- Combining space and ground-based measurements

- **Multi-component fitting:**

- Complex morphology – best described by multiple components.
- Does multiple components imply multiple sources?
- MWL information key!

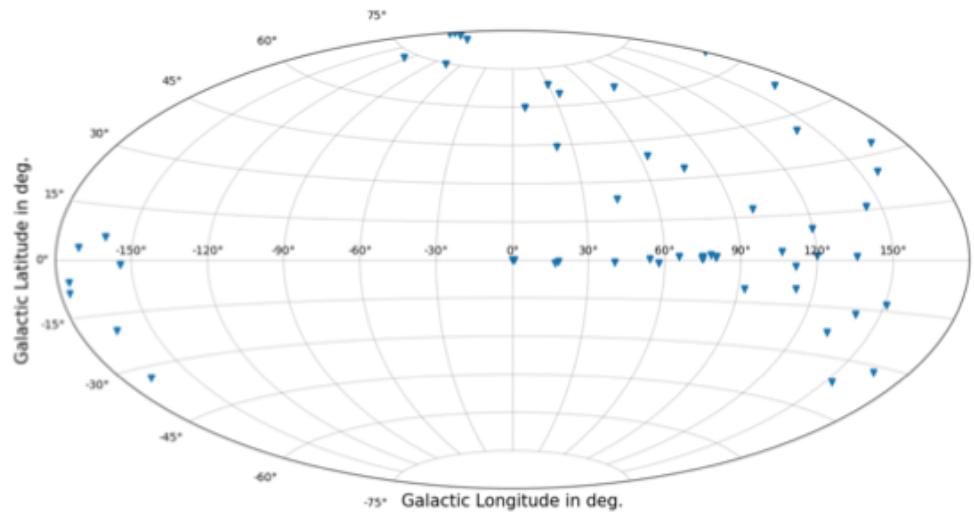
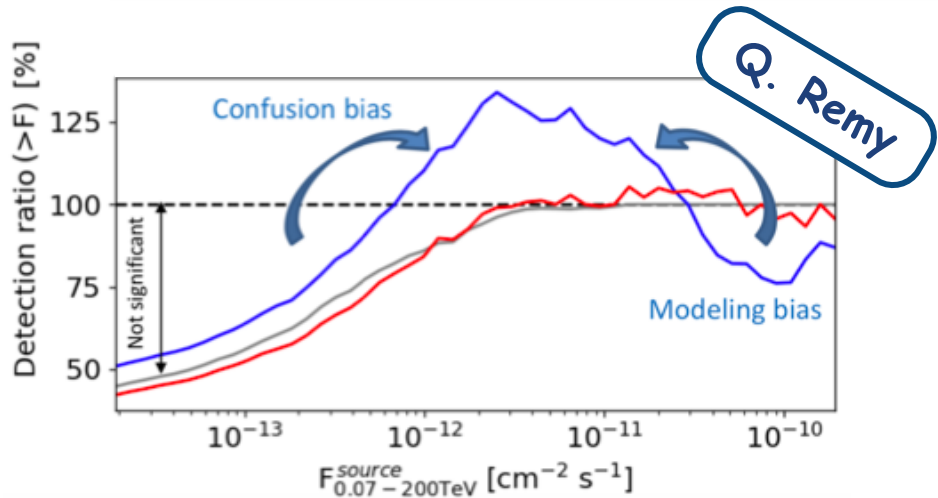
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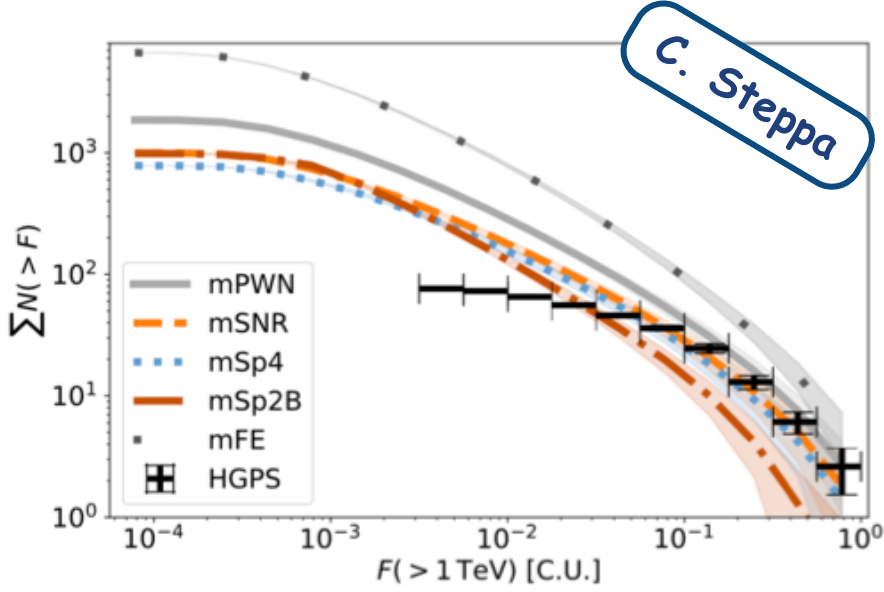
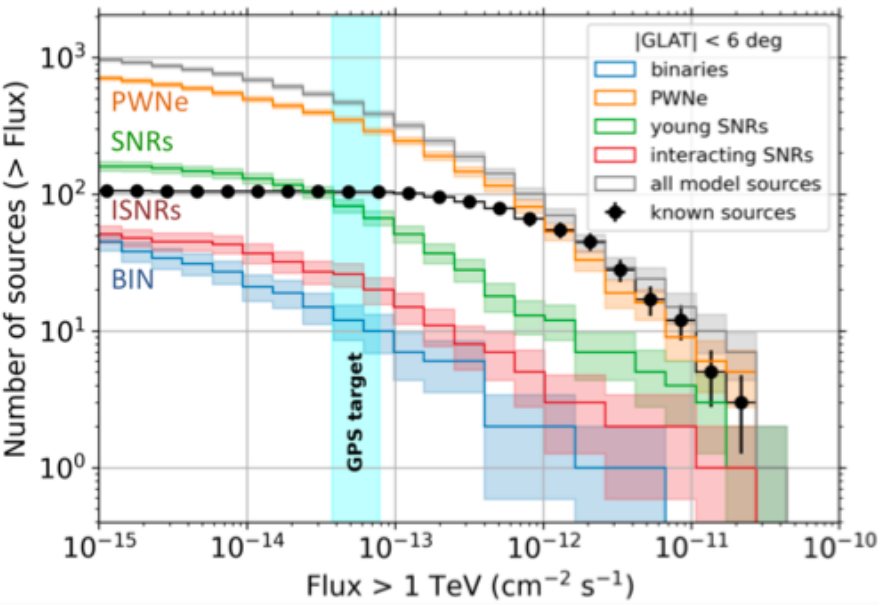
HESS J1841-055 with MAGIC



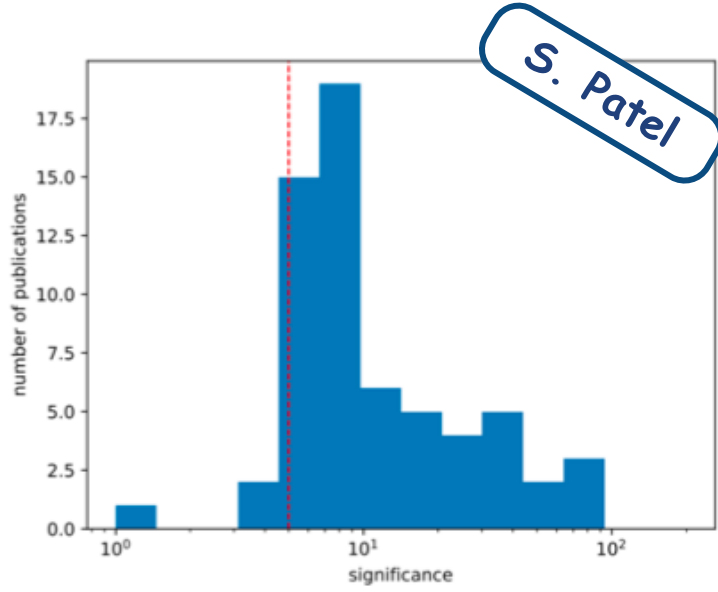
# Population Studies



## Population Synthesis



13-32% of flux in HGPS region attributed to as yet unresolved sources



VTSCat VERITAS

CTA simulation – synthetic model



# 45 Probing the Distribution of Cosmic Rays in Galaxies

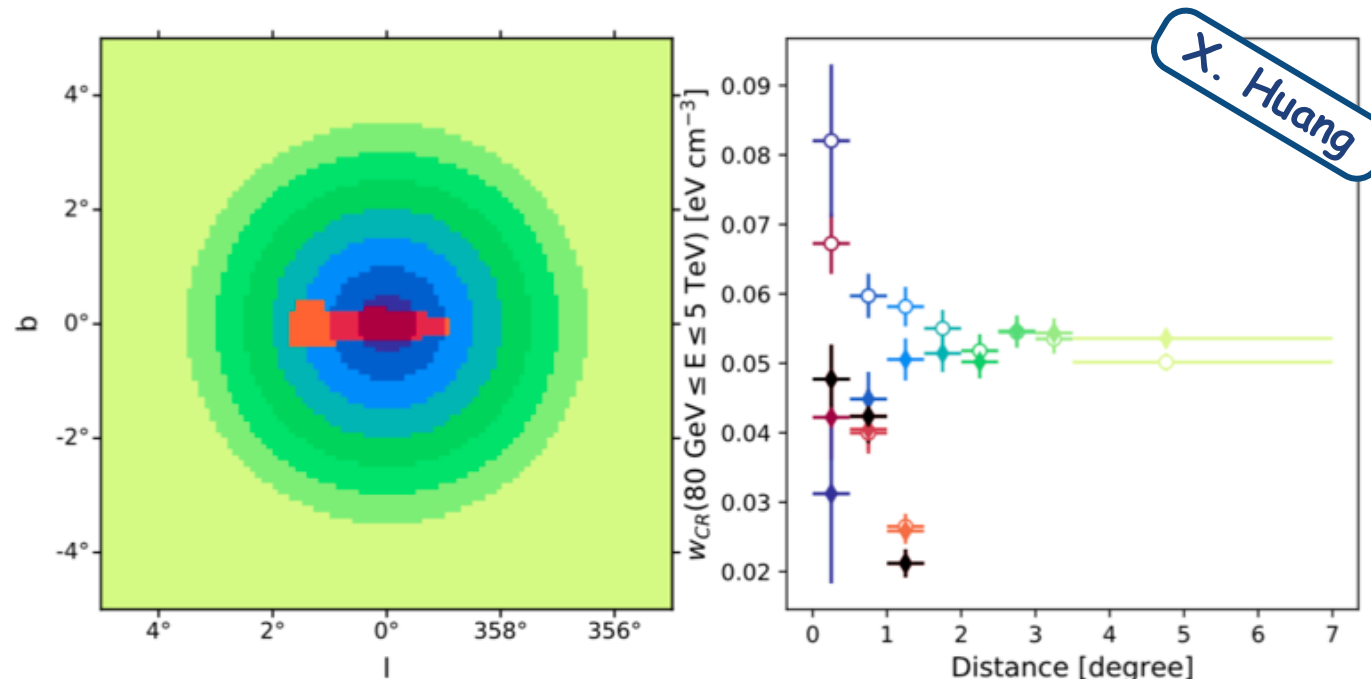
(S. Casanova, D. Gaggero, E. Orlando)



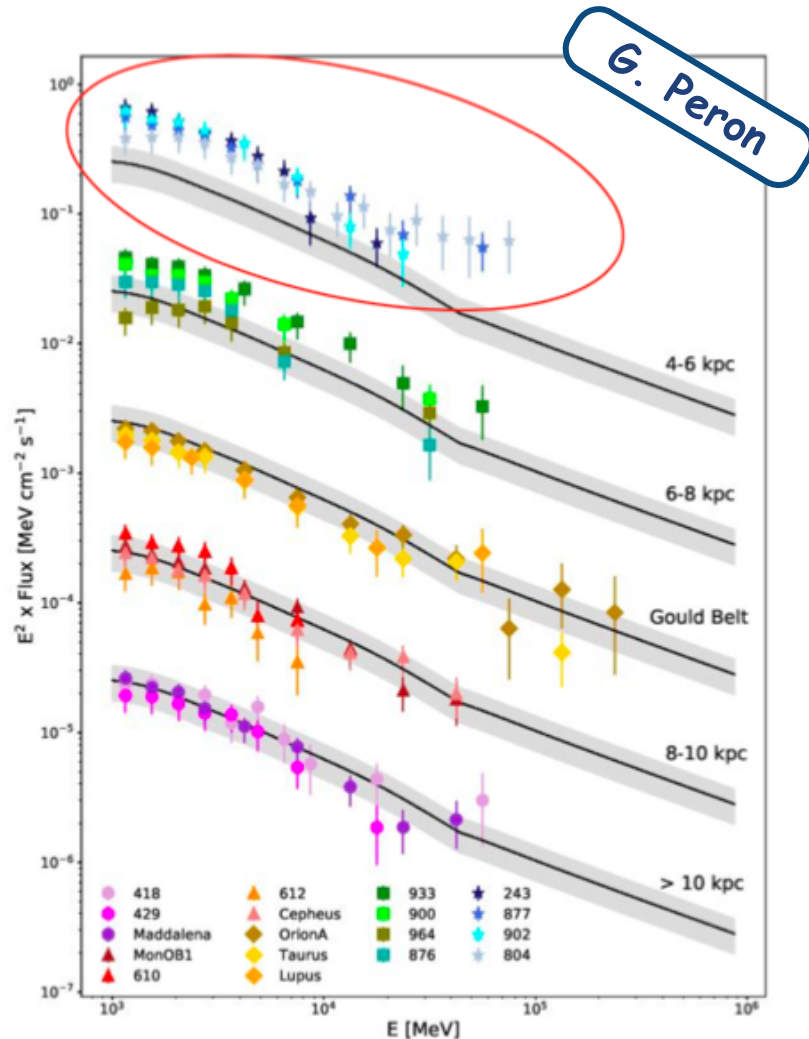
# Key questions

Shared  
CRD-  
GAD-  
GAI

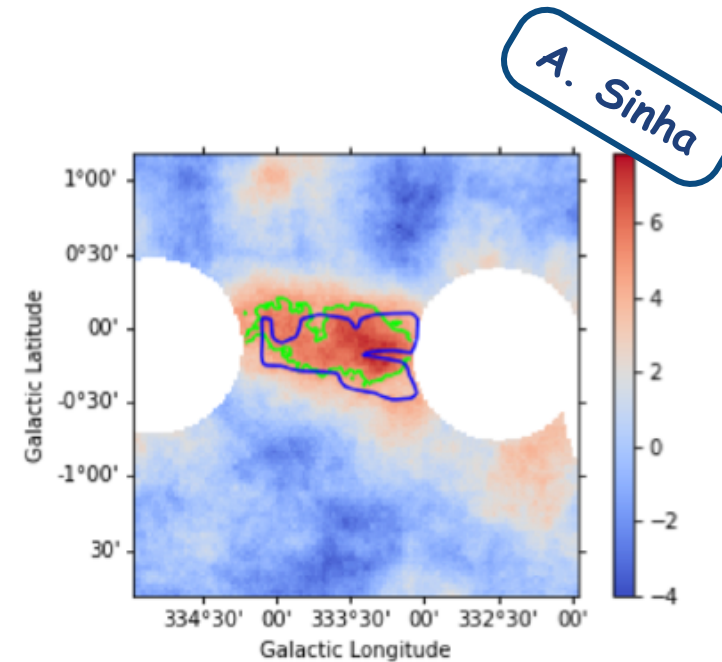
- Does the Cosmic Ray spectrum harden towards the Galactic Centre?
  - What is the contribution of unresolved sources to measurements of Galactic diffuse emission?
  - Can gamma-ray and neutrino observations help clarify the situation?
- 
- Is there a barrier that suppresses particles of the cosmic ray sea from penetrating the central molecular zone?



# Enhanced gamma-ray emission from molecular clouds?



- Analysis of passive Giant Molecular Clouds provide information on local CR spectrum far from Earth
  - Deviations from local emissivity in inner Galaxy at 4-6 kpc
- Candidate cloud 877 shows GeV excess



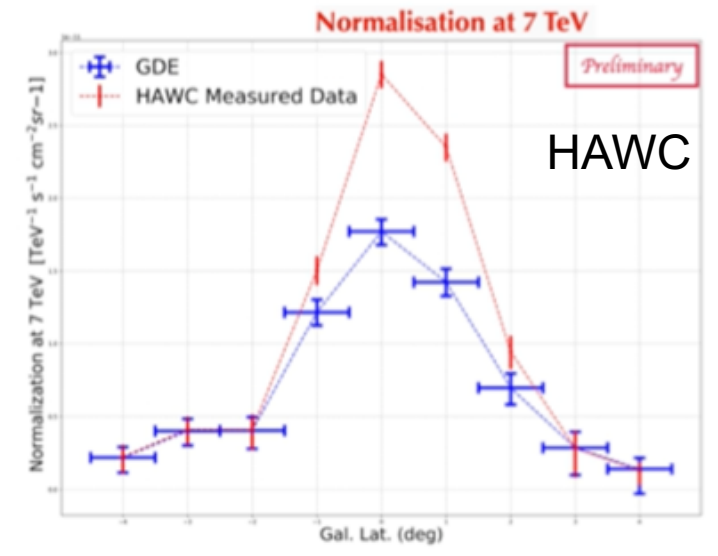
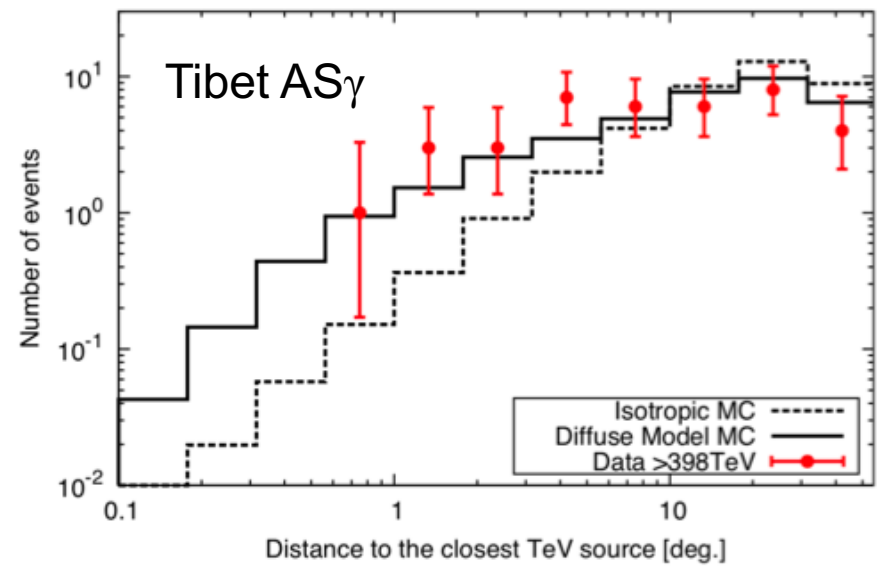
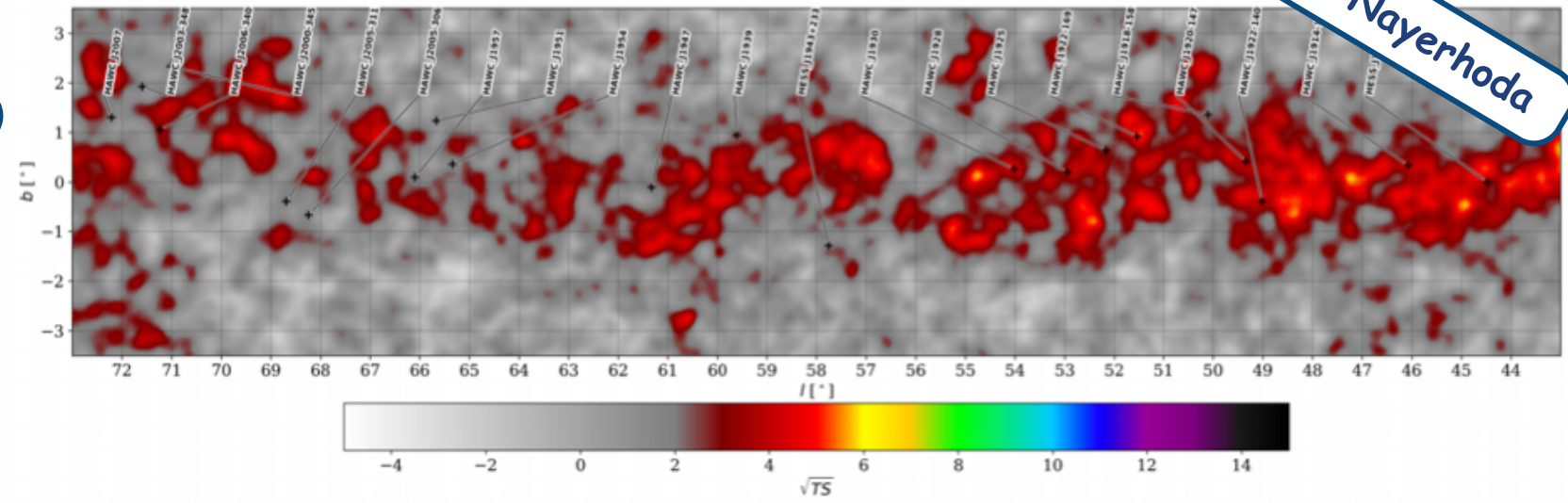
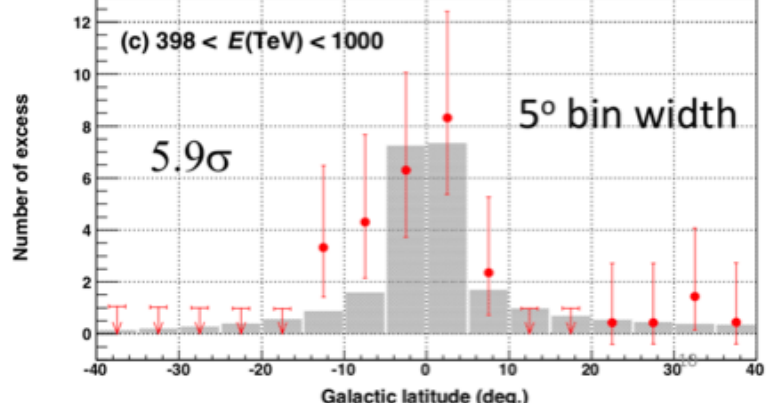
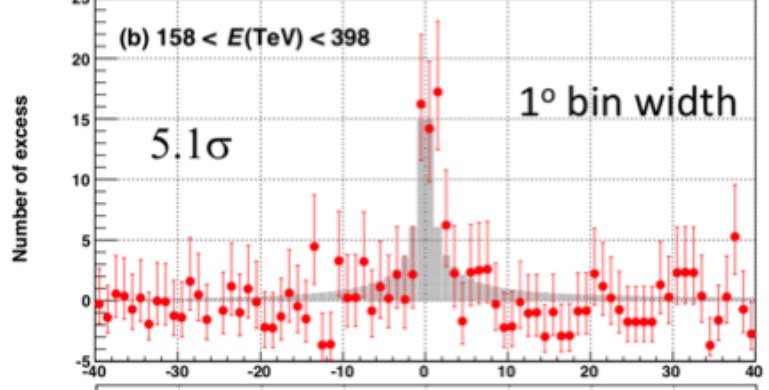
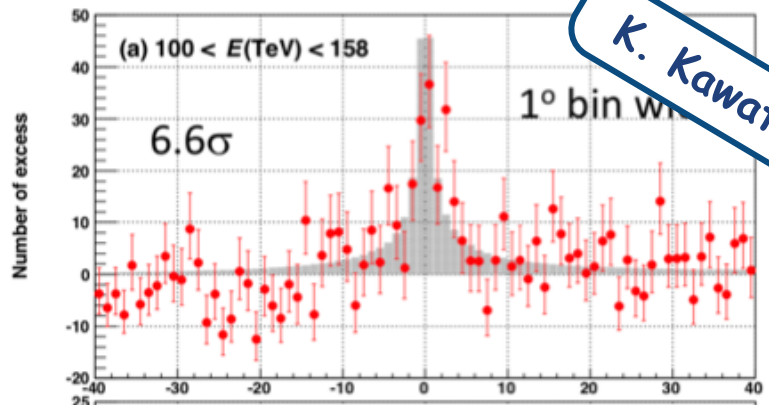
H.E.S.S. cloud "877"



# sub-PeV Galactic Diffuse Emission

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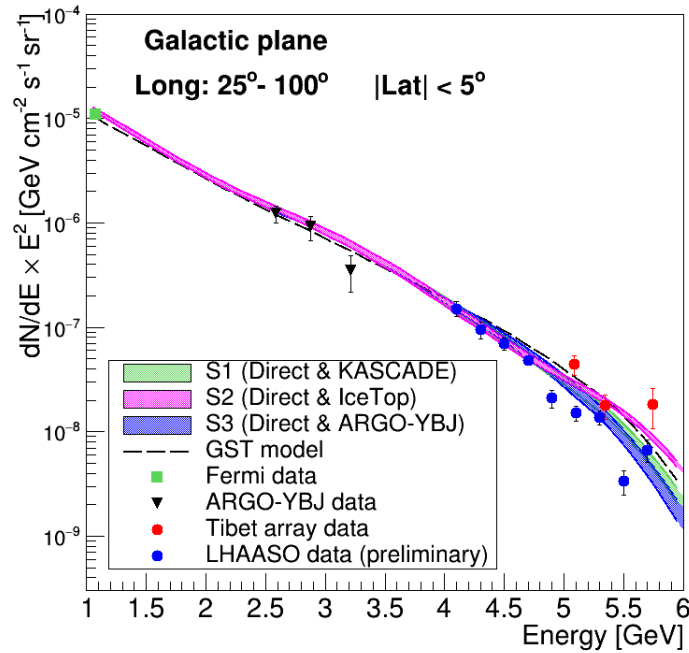
A. Nayerhoda



# Galactic Diffuse Emission – explained?

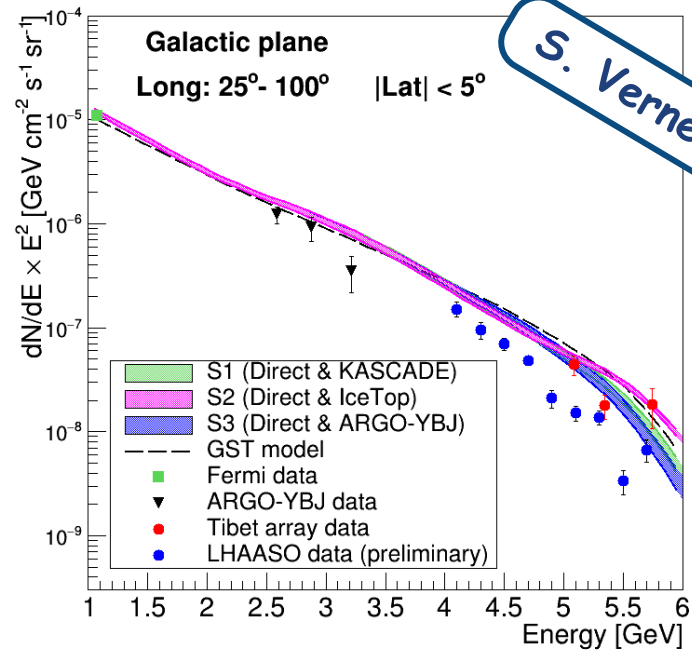
## CR model M1

Same spectra in all Galaxy

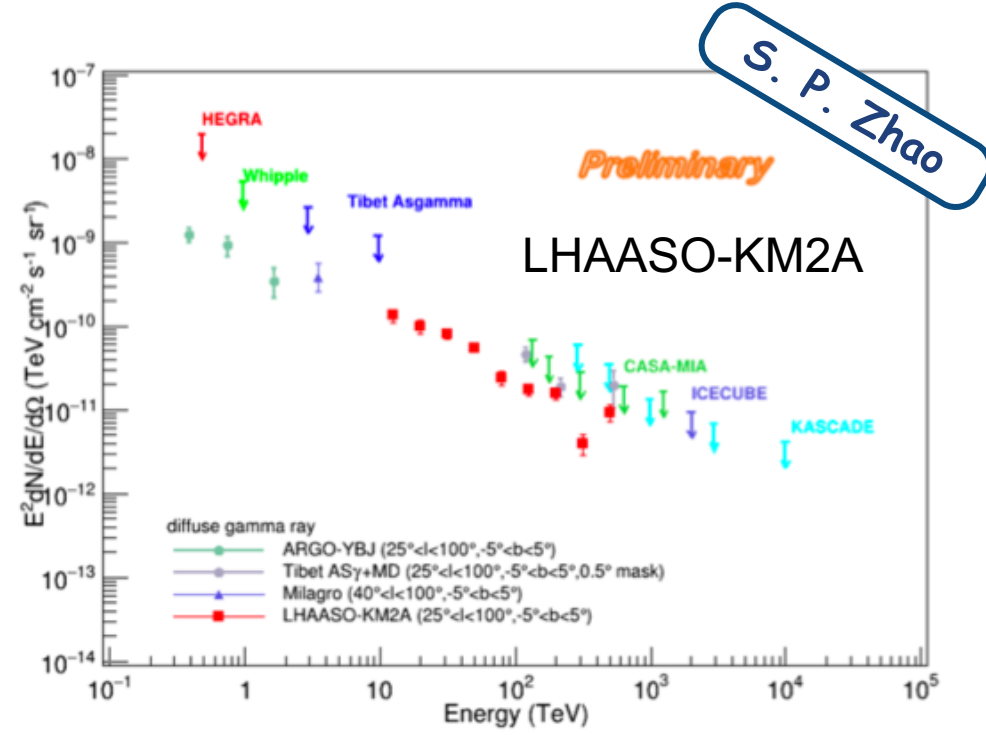


## CR model M2

Hardening towards Galactic center



S. Vernetto



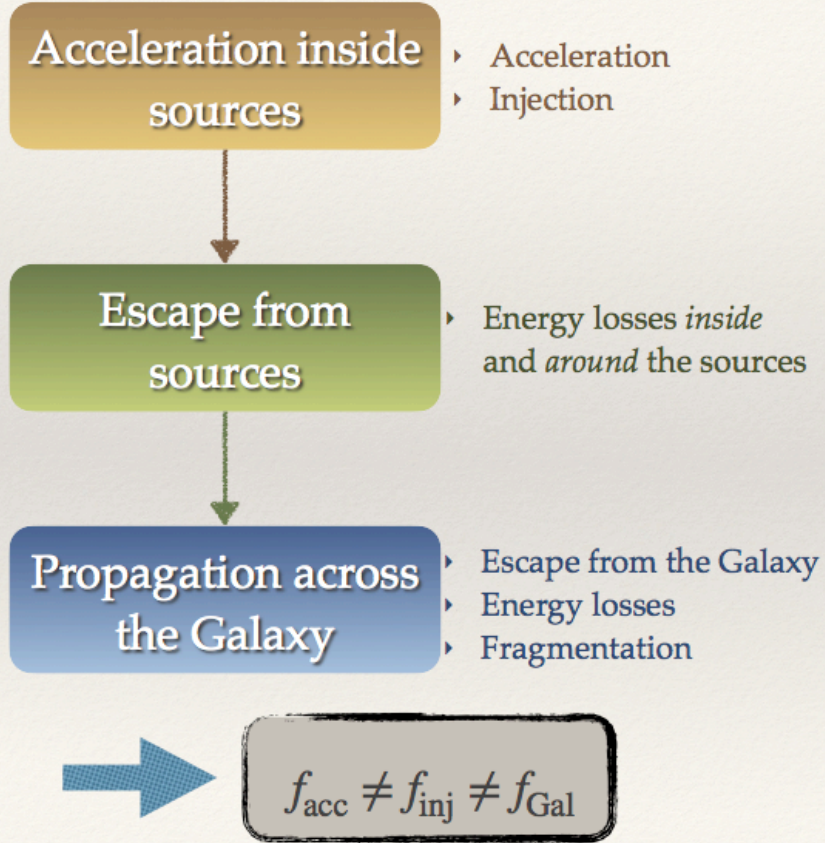


# 44 The Origins of Galactic Cosmic Rays

(G. Morlino, L. Tibaldo)



# The path to become a Cosmic Ray

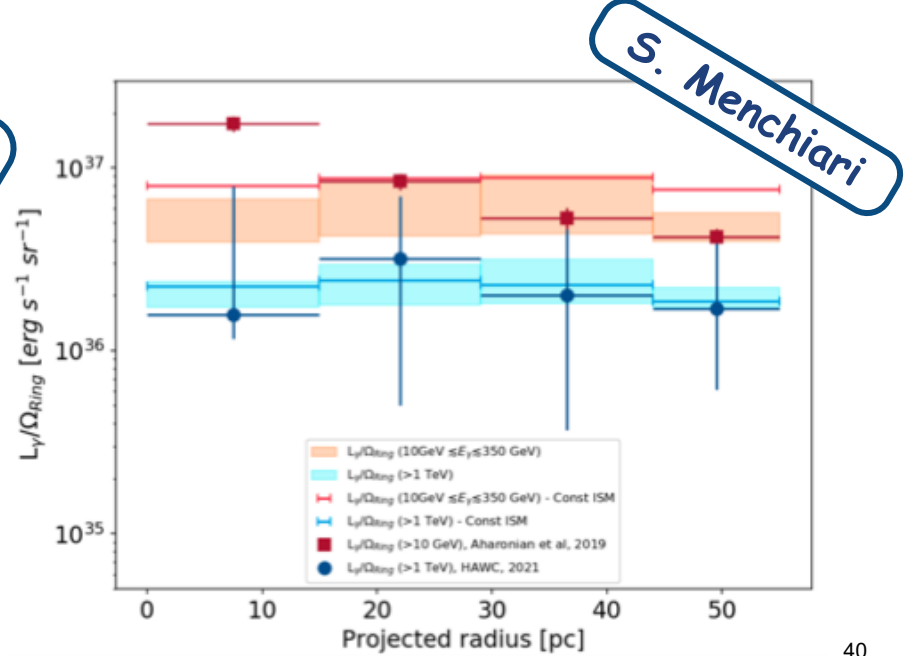
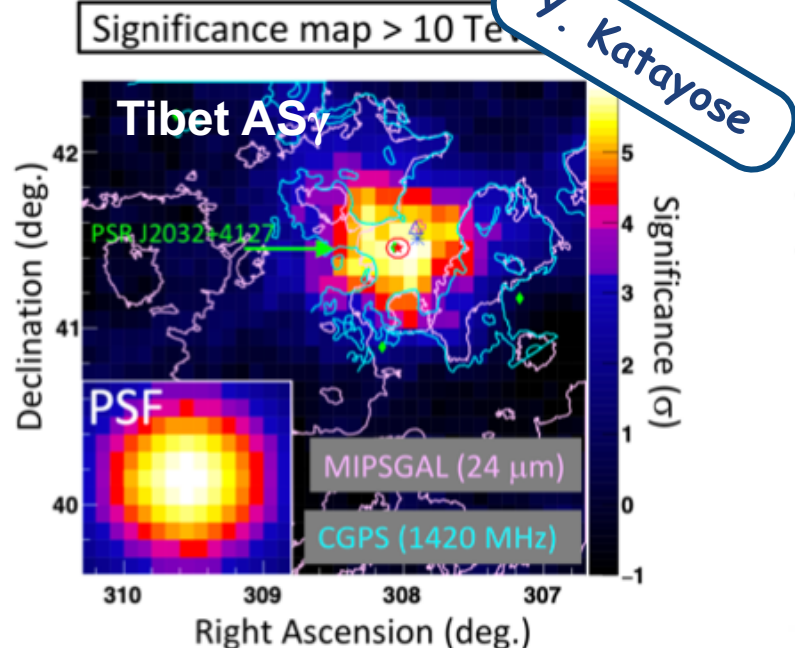
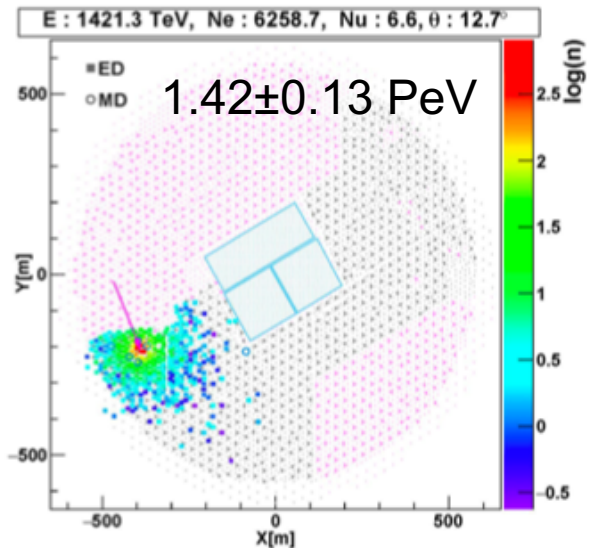
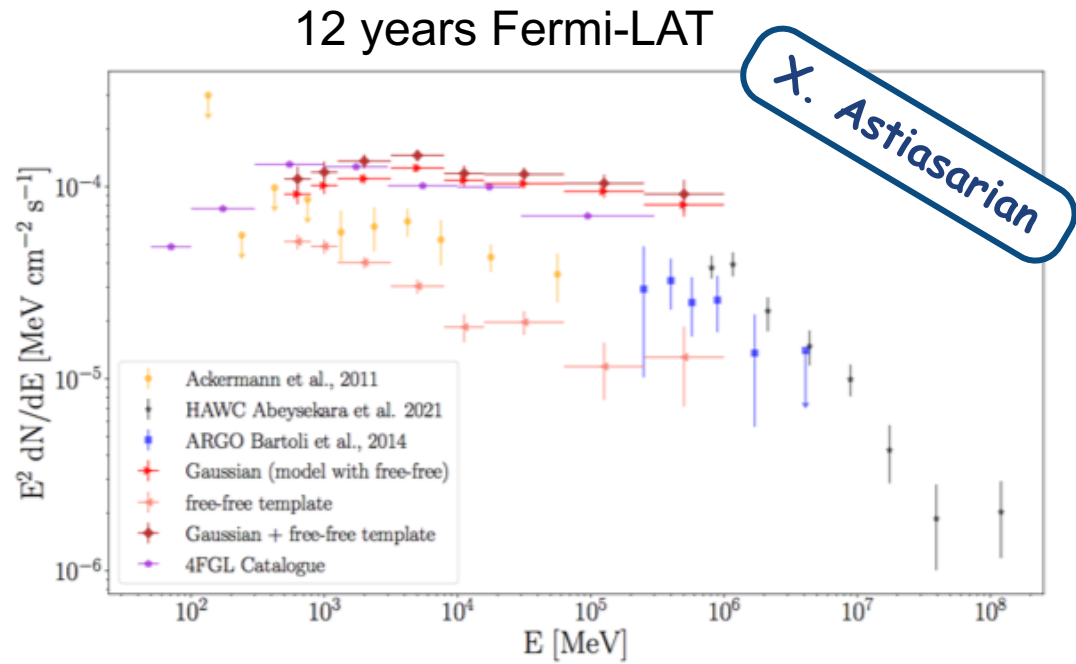
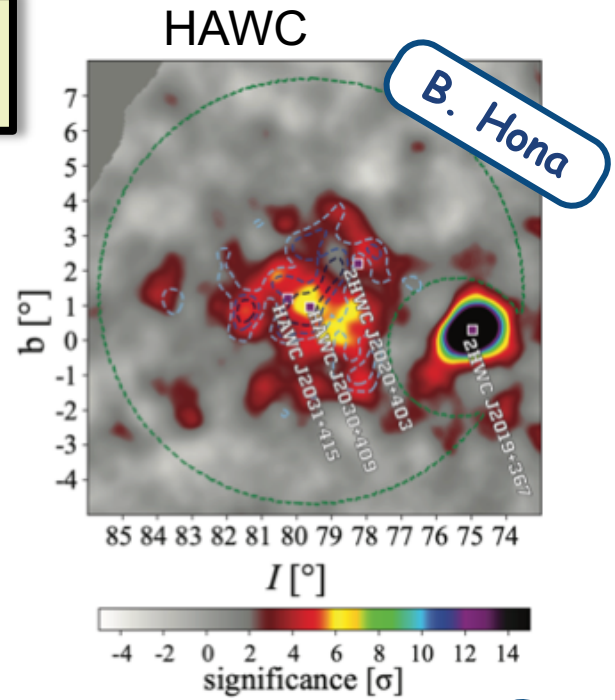
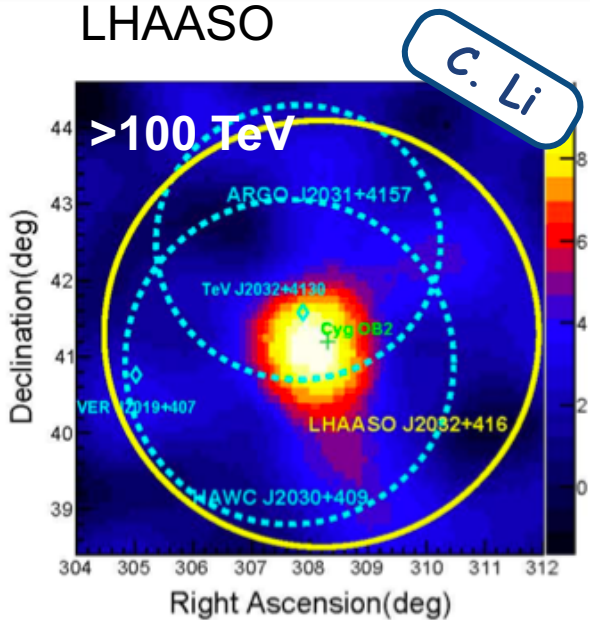


## Potential CR Sources

	Power	Chemical composition	Spectrum		Maximum Energy	
			Single source	Total	Observed	Theoretical
SNRs	Yes	OK but few anomalies ( $^{22}\text{Ne}$ )	If hadronic $E^{-2} \div E^{-2.7}$	probably OK (but depends on escape)	$\lesssim 100 \text{ TeV}$	PeV only for rare and powerful events
Stellar winds/clusters	Yes	Could probably solve the $^{22}\text{Ne}$ anomaly	$\sim E^{-2.2}$	Unclear	$\lesssim 100 \text{ TeV}^*$	PeV only for very powerful clusters
Super bubbles	?	Unsure	probably $\sim E^{-2.2}$	Unclear	?	PeV if diffusion coefficient is small enough
Proto-stars**	No	Unsure	?	?	?	$\sim 0.1 \text{ TeV}$
NS mergers	?	Maybe relevant for ultra heavy elements	?	?	?	?



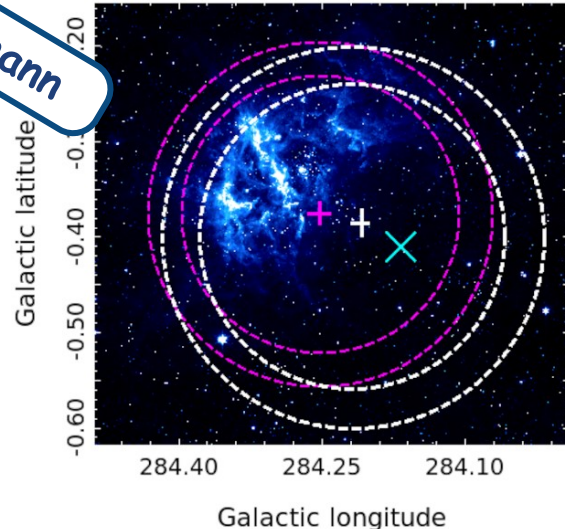
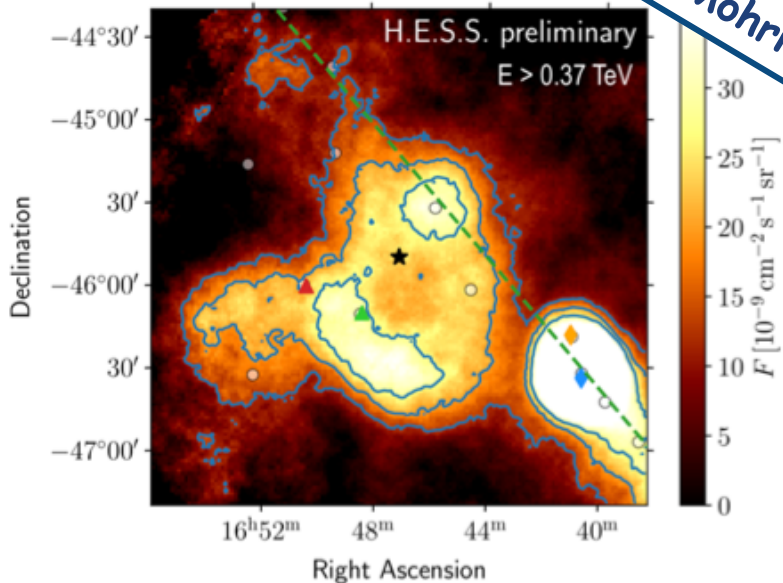
# Cygnus Superbubble



# Stellar Clusters

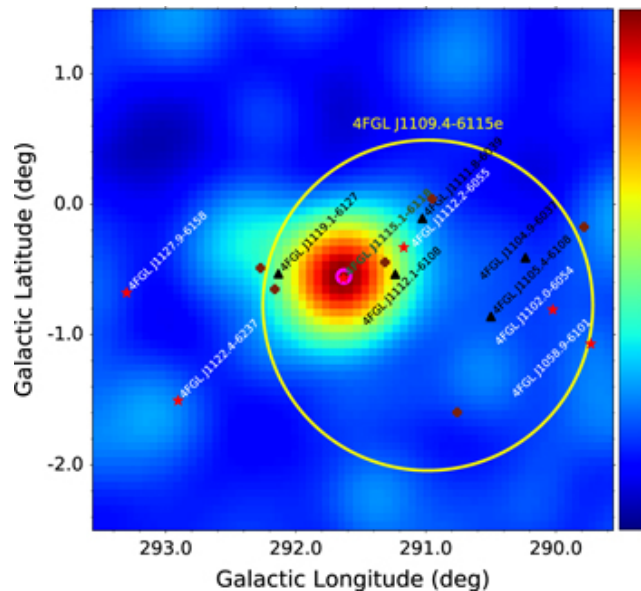
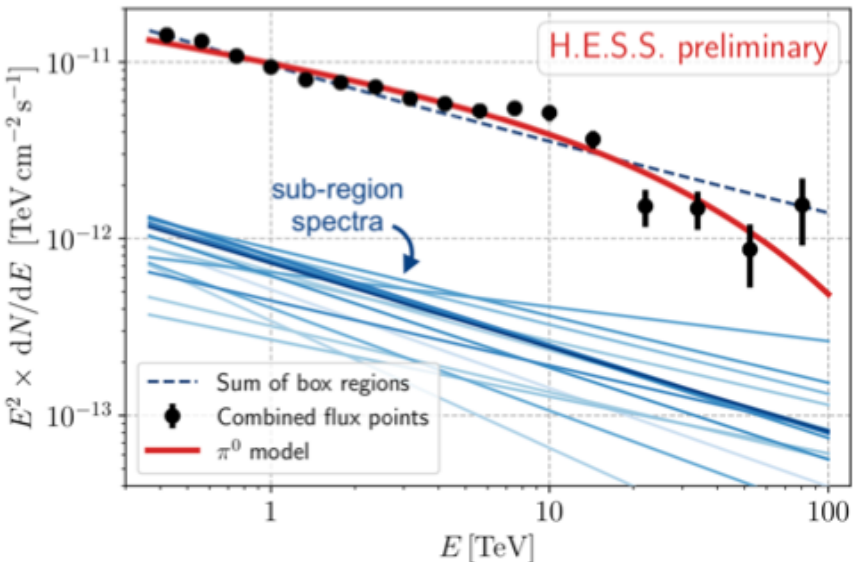
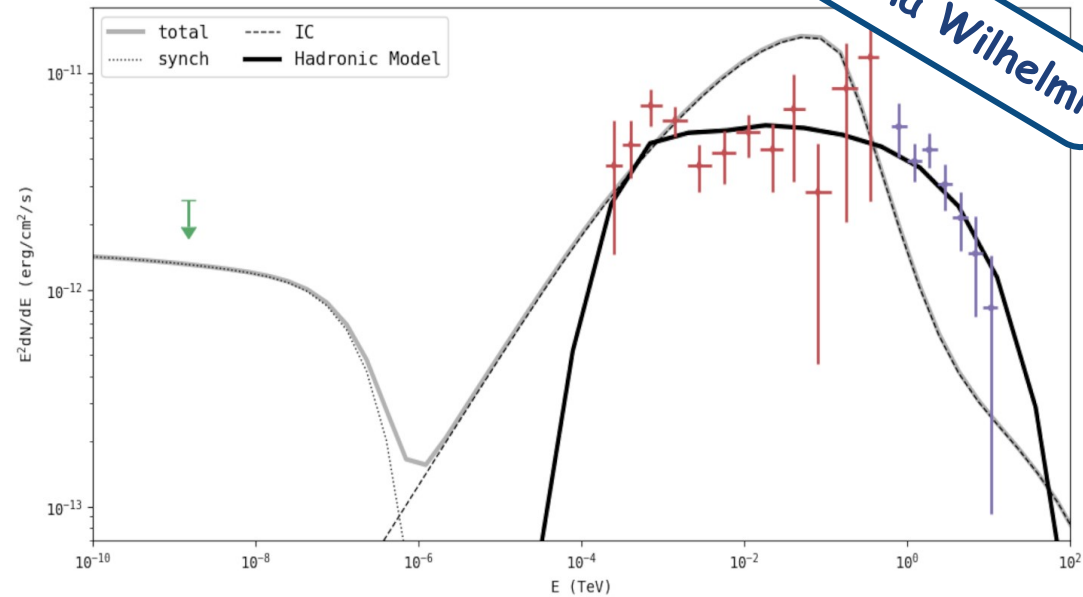
Westerlund 1 with H.E.S.S.

L. Mohrmann



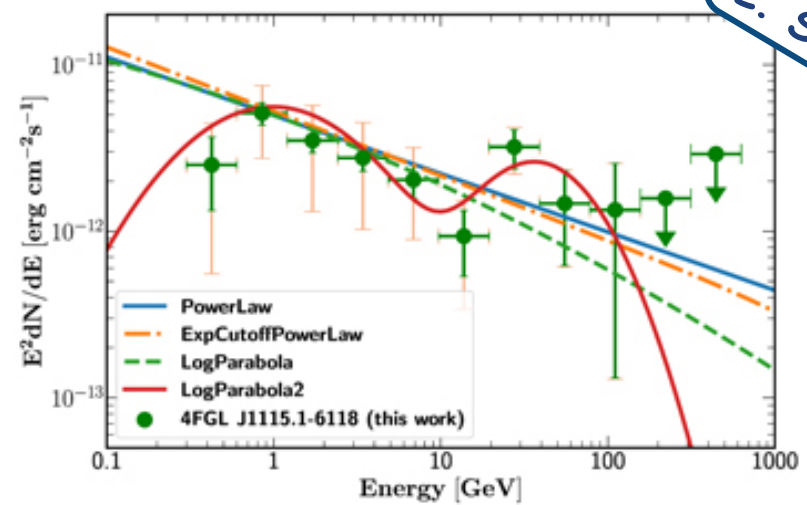
Westerlund 2 with Fermi-LAT

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NGC 3603 with Fermi-LAT

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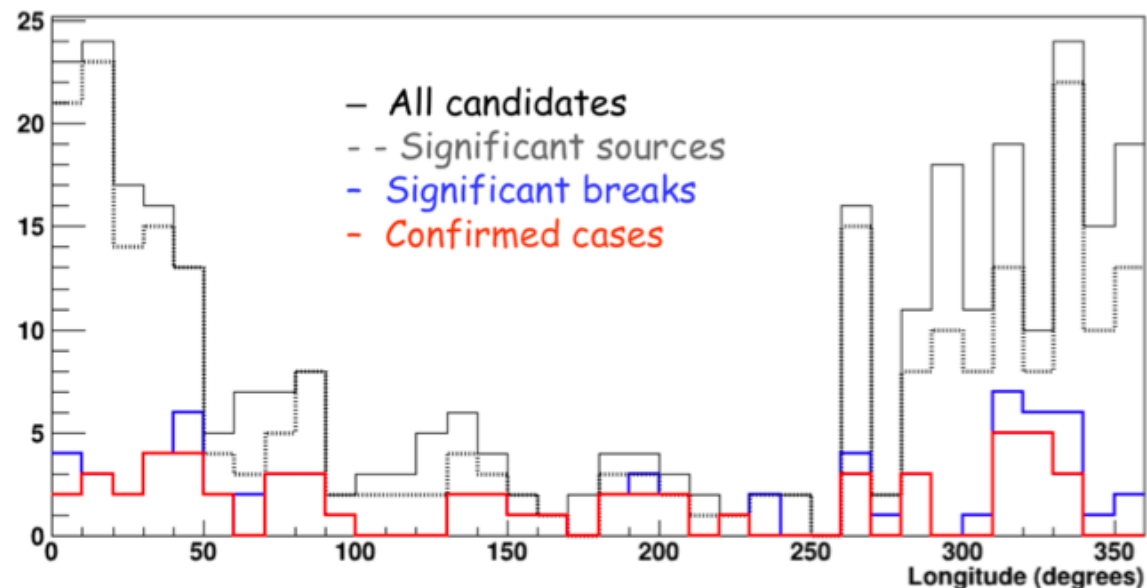
# Session 44 summary

- Observations indicate to multiple source classes contribute to Galactic Cosmic Rays
- Star forming regions (SFRs) are promising – in terms of composition and maximum energy ( $> \text{PeV}$ )

## Still need to clarify:

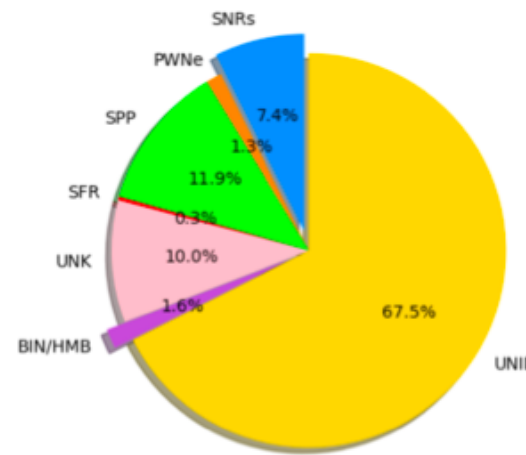
- Observational tests – by how much do different source class contribute to the total?
- Are superbubbles more than the sum of their parts? (collection of individual SNRs & stellar clusters)

Blind search for pion-bump feature with Fermi-LAT 4FGL

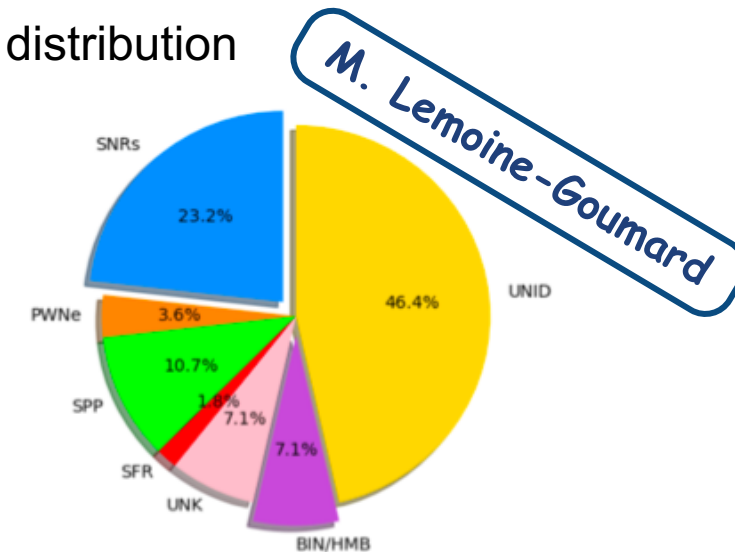


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Population class distribution



311 sources analysed



56 candidates detected



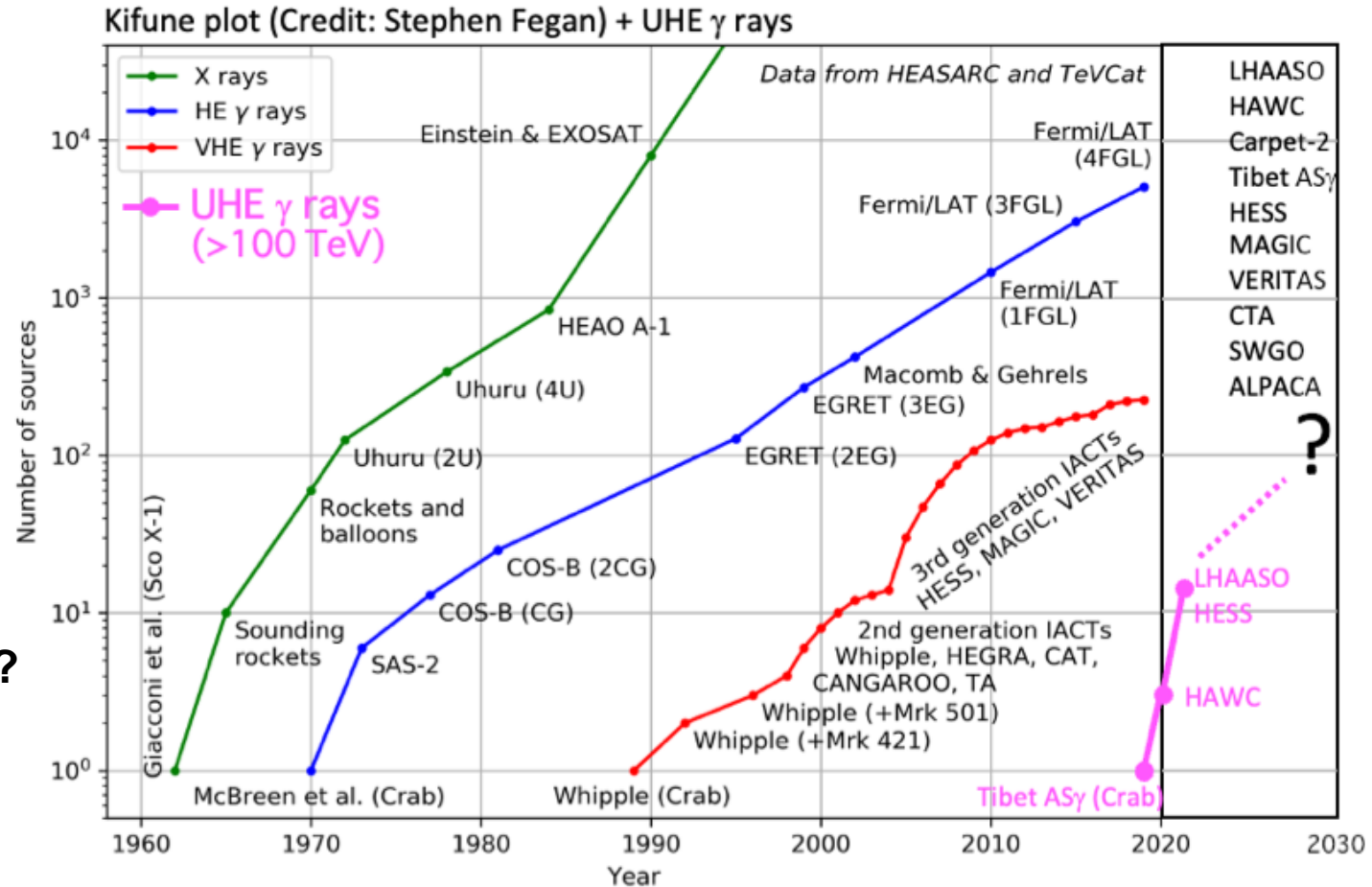
# 55 Ultra-High-Energy Gamma-Ray Sources and PeVatrons

(E. de la Fuente, K. Kawata)



# Key Questions

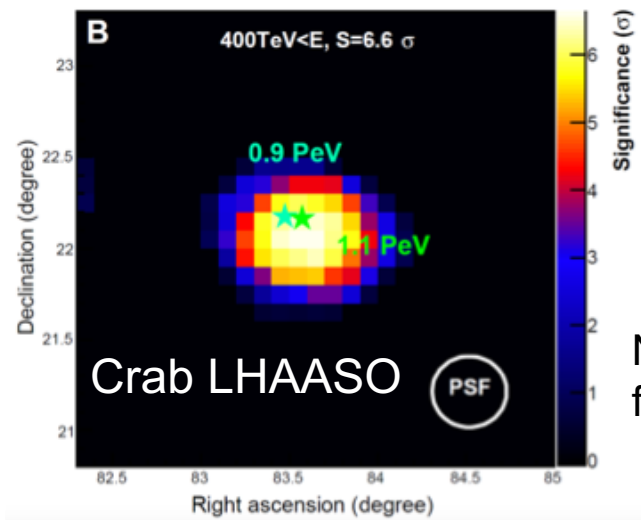
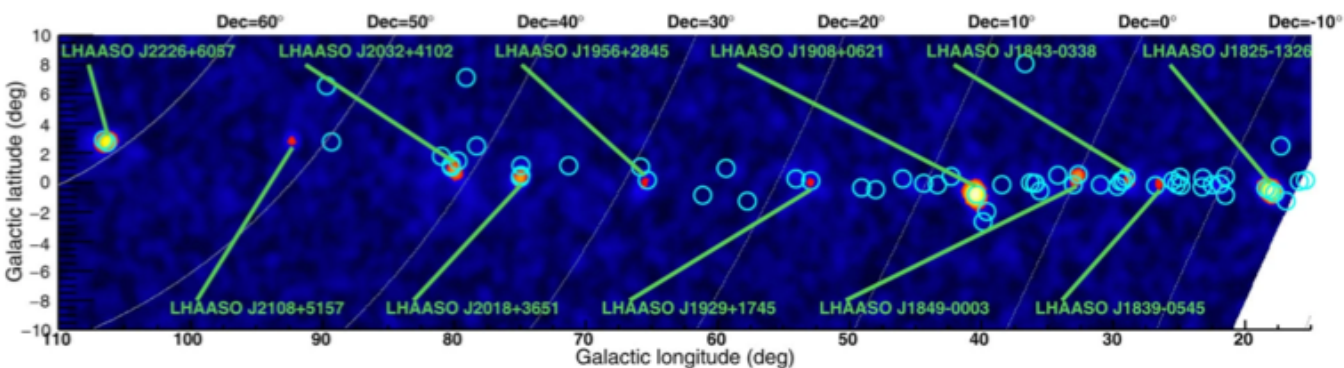
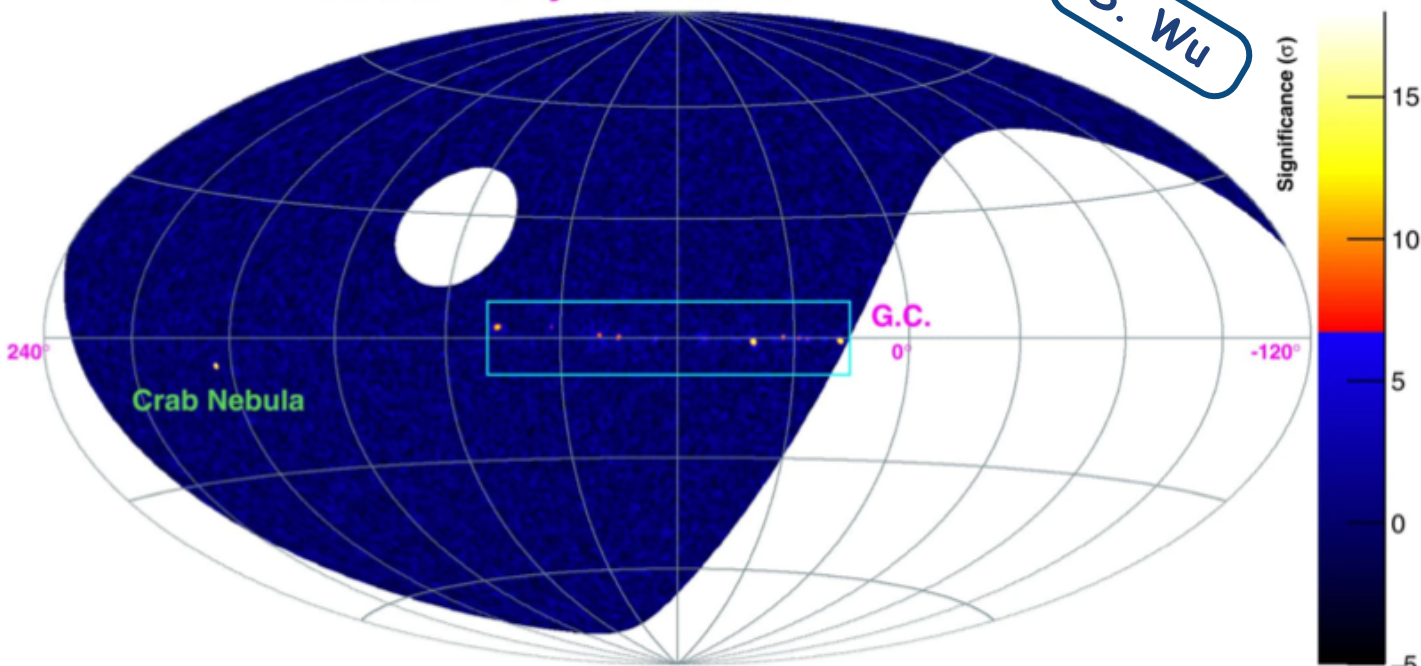
- **What is a PeVatron?**
  - Only hadronic accelerators?
  - “Leptonic PeVatrons”?
- **When is it no longer a candidate?**
  - Clear accelerator (not \*just\* cloud)
  - Confirmed hadronic
  - Coincident neutrino
- **How many PeVatrons do we know so far?**
  - 14 UHE sources (gamma-rays > ~100 TeV)



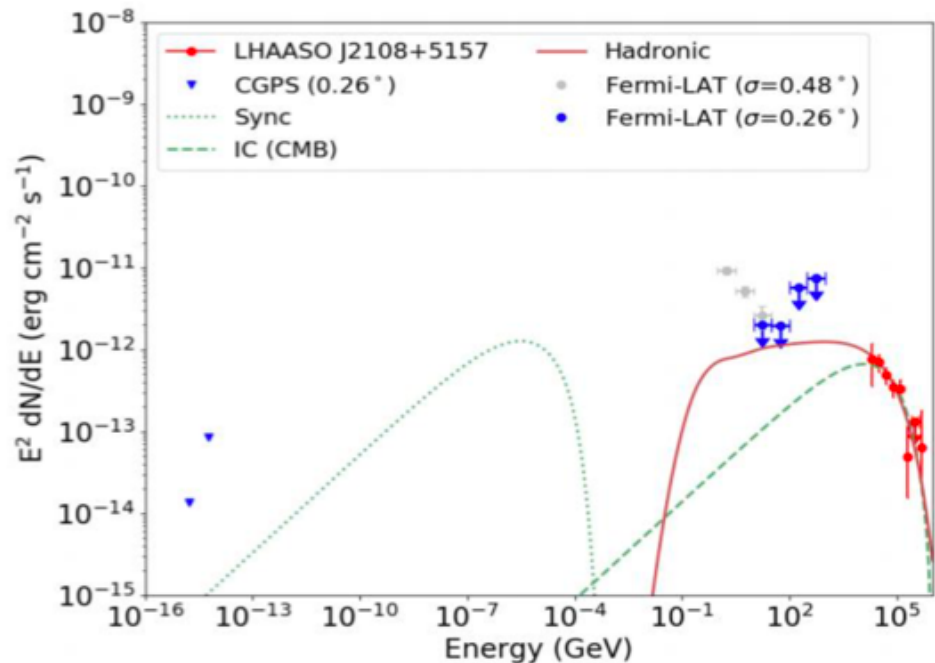
# LHAASO Ultra-high-energy photons from 12 Galactic Sources

LHAASO Sky @ >100 TeV

S. Wu



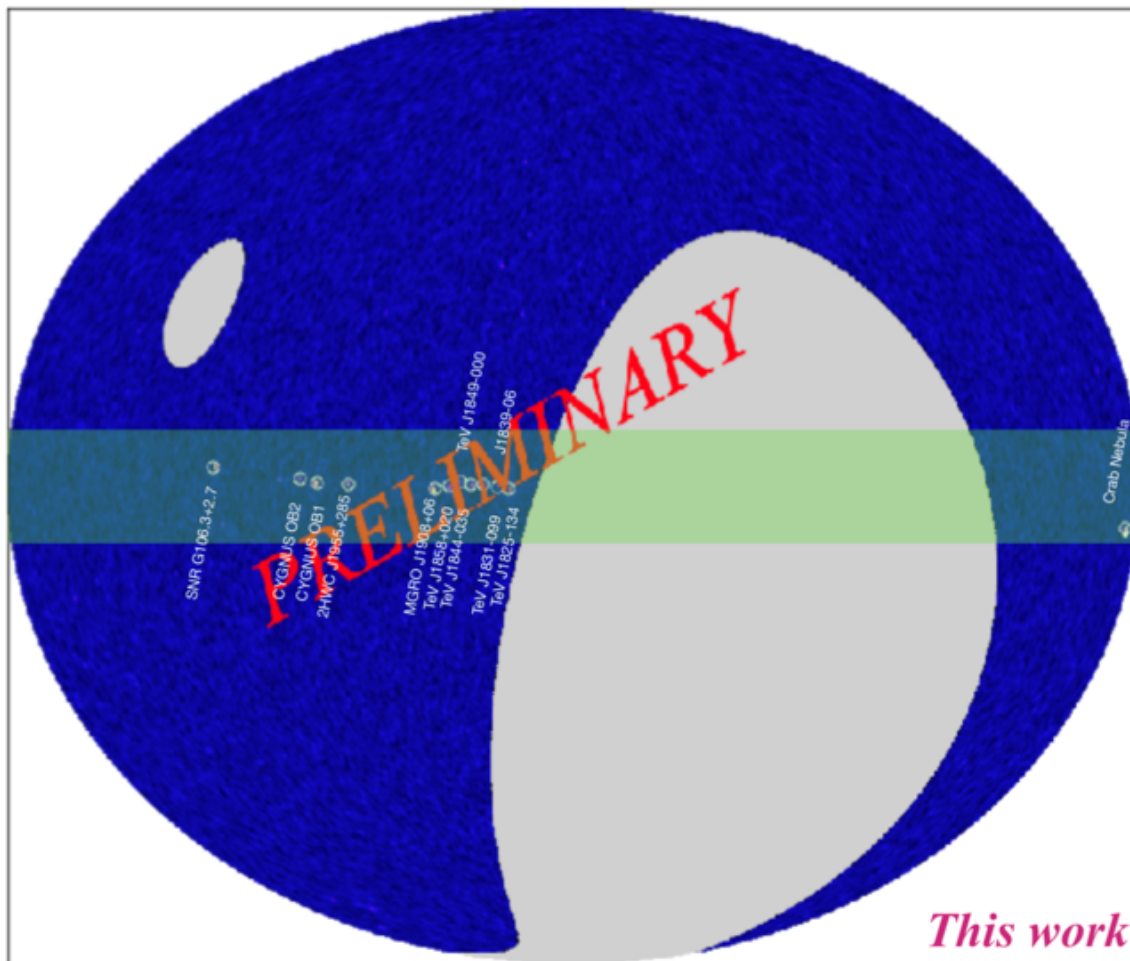
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# Detection by Tibet AS $\gamma$ of 12 VHE sources $\rightarrow$ this ICRC

- ~9 coincident with LHAASO UHE sources



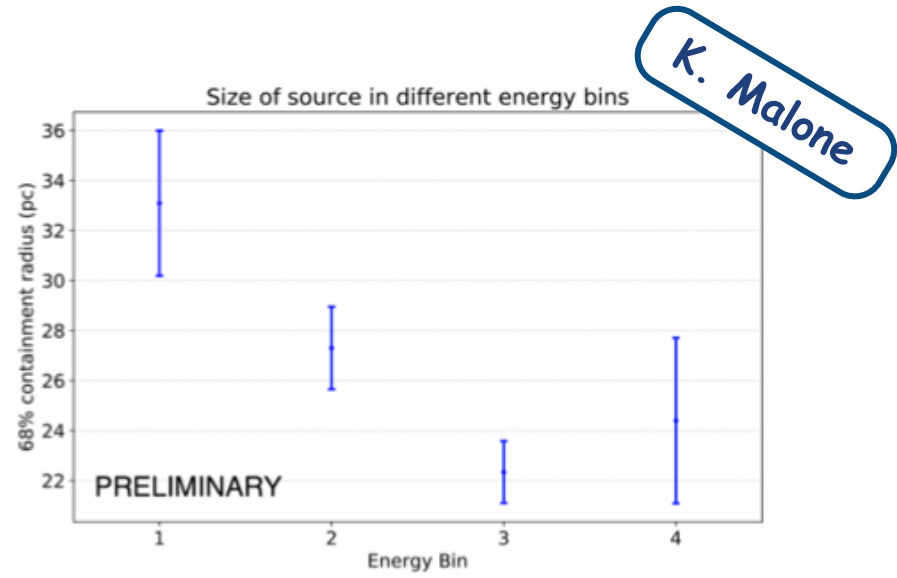
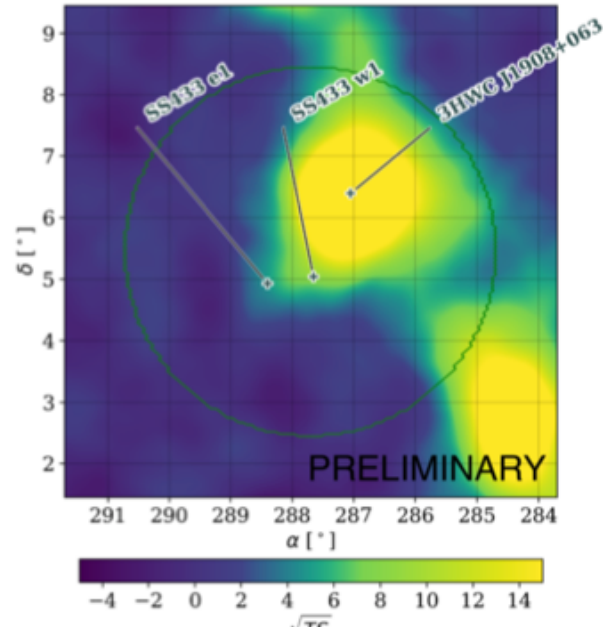
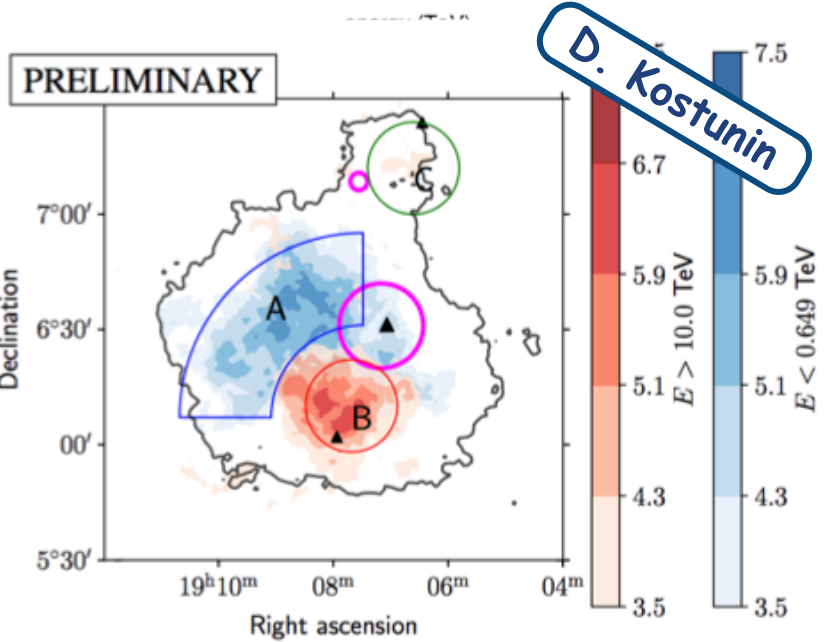
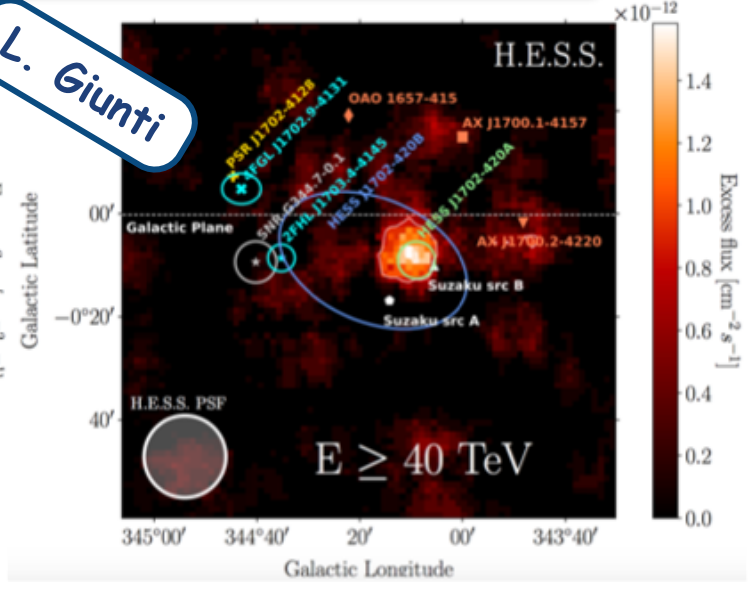
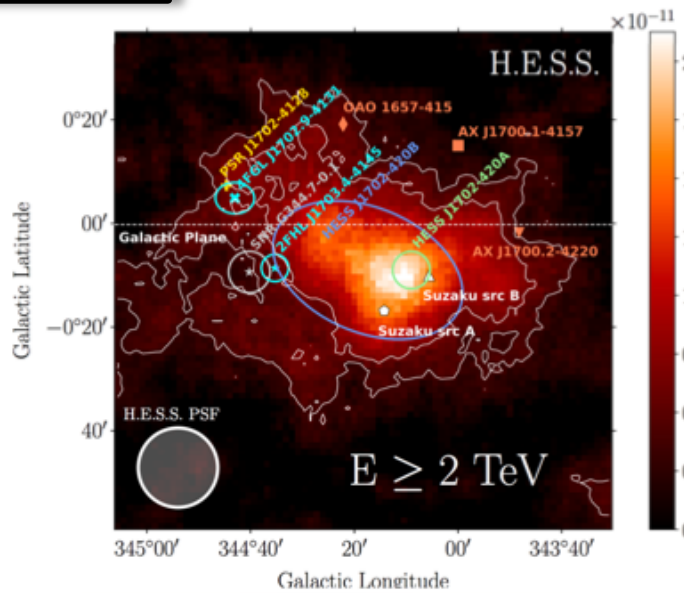
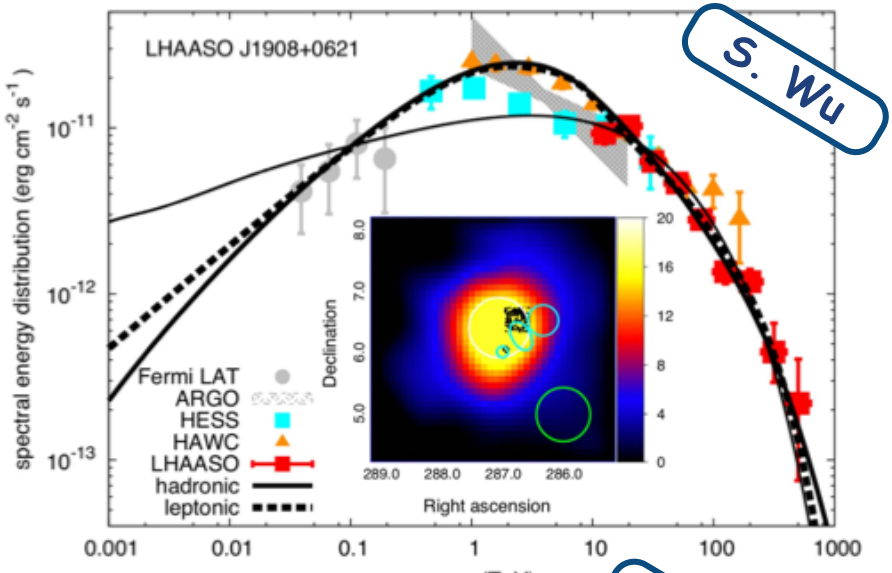
X. Chen

Associated Source	RA[deg]	Dec[Deg]
Crab	83.65	22.02
TeV J1825-134	276.52	-13.4
TeV J1831-099	277.58	-9.84
TeV J1840-055	279.91	-6.03
TeV J1837-065	279.91	-6.03
TeV J1844-035	280.92	-3.58
TeV J1849-000	282.84	0.03
TeV J1857+026	284.70	2.66
MGRO J1908+06	287.01	6.20
2HWC J1955+285	298.87	28.63
Cygnus OB1	305.02	36.77
Cygnus OB2	308.01	41.19
SNR G106.3+2.7	336.77	60.88

*This work*

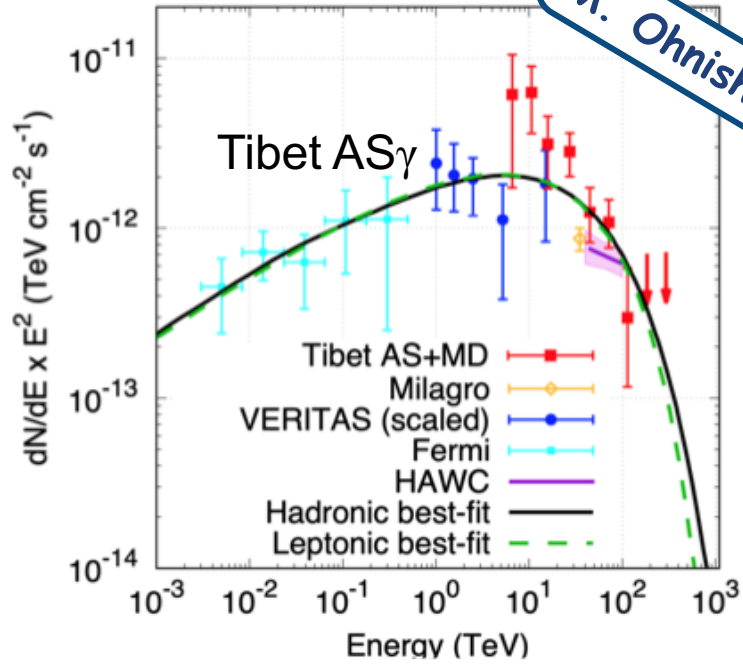
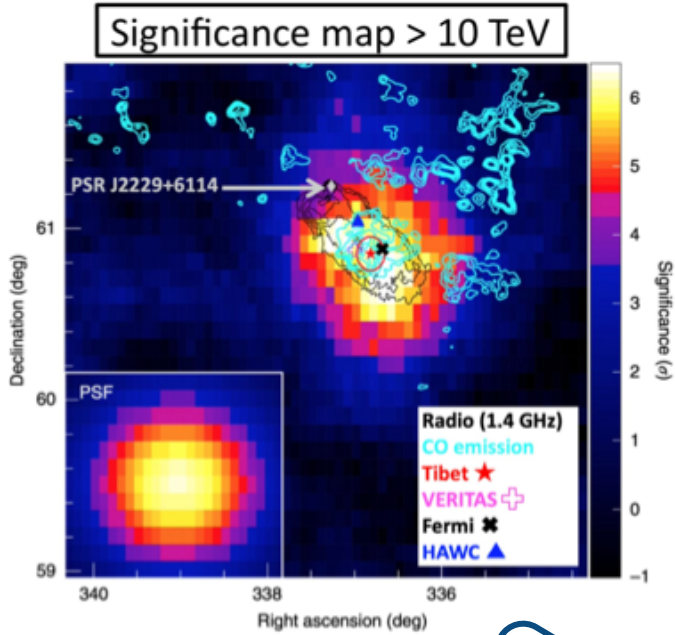
# J1908+06: LHAASO, HESS, HAWC

# HESS J1702-420

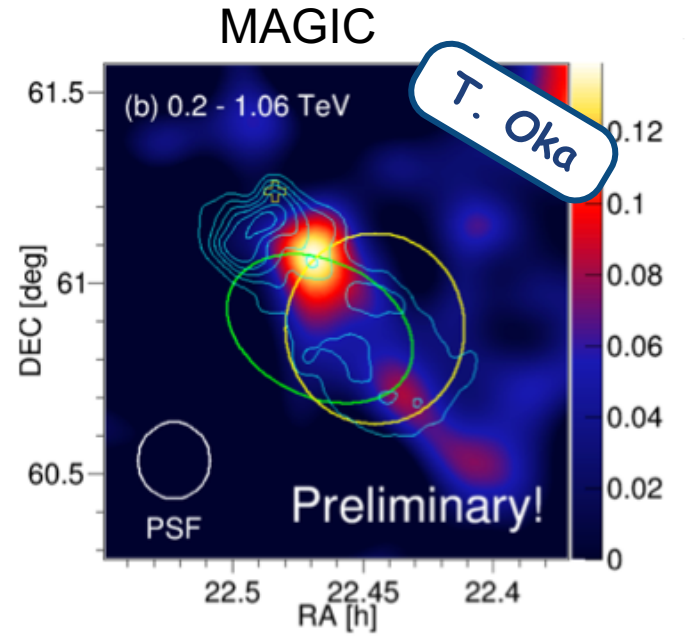




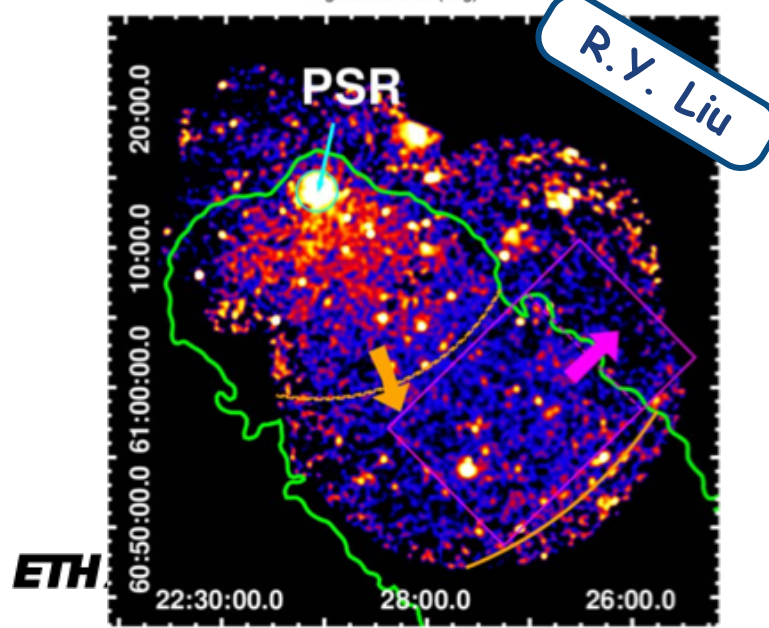
# HAWC J2227+610 == SNR G106.3+2.7?



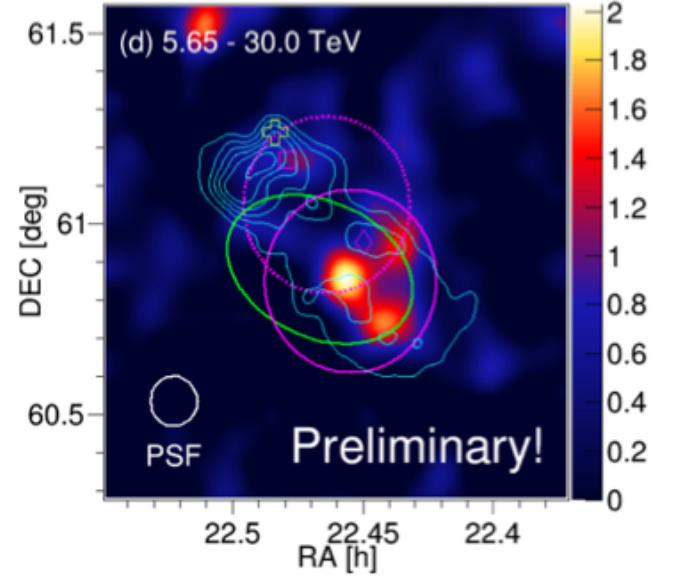
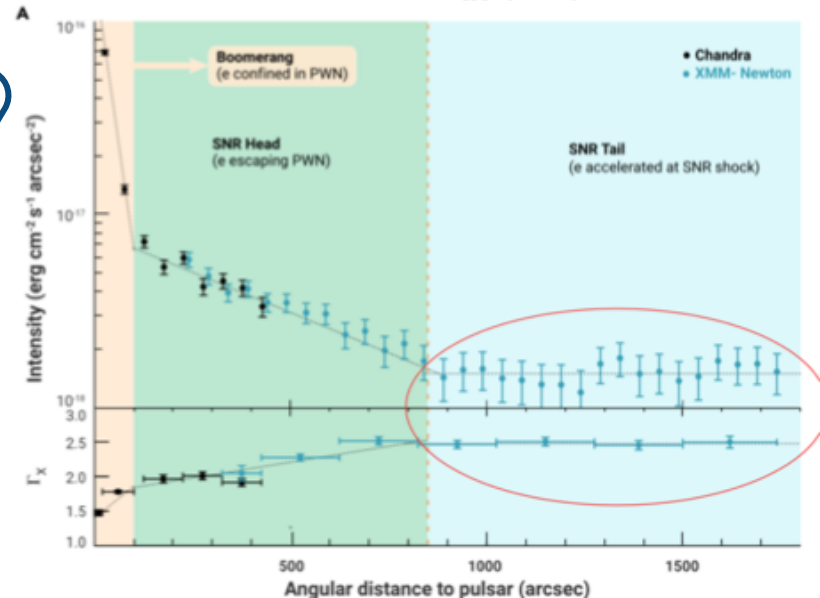
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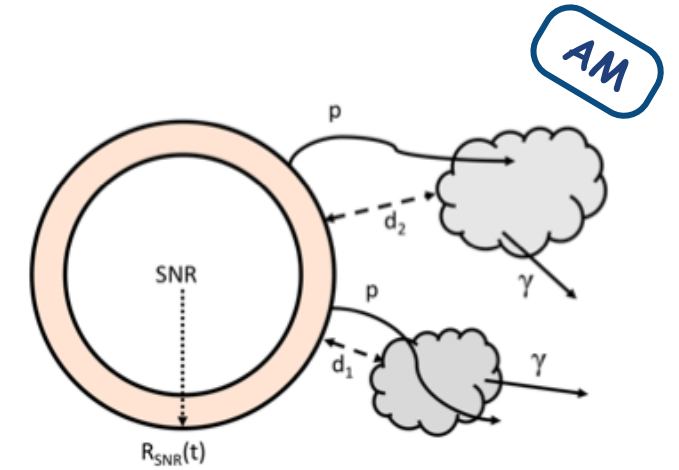
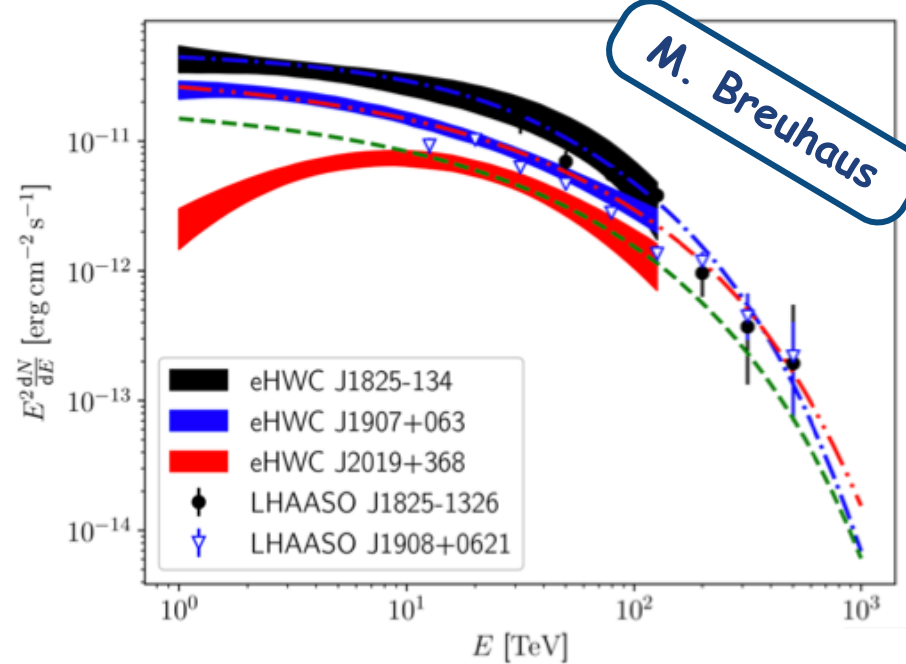
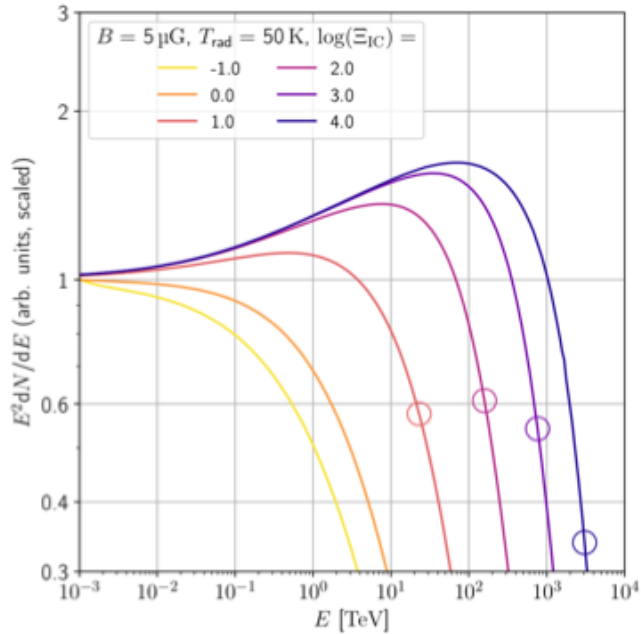


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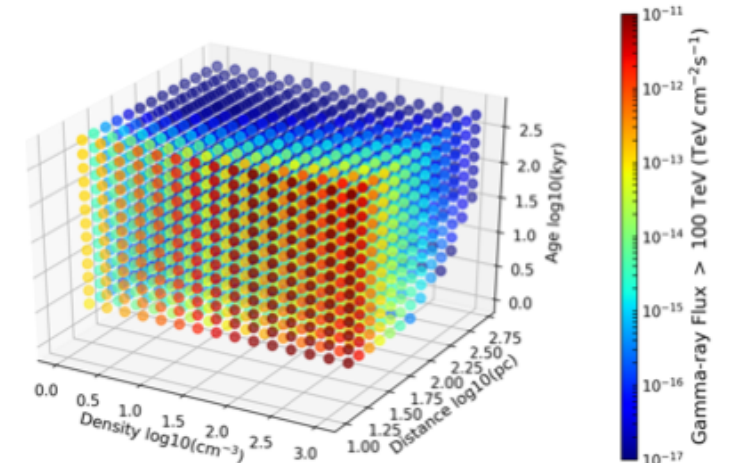
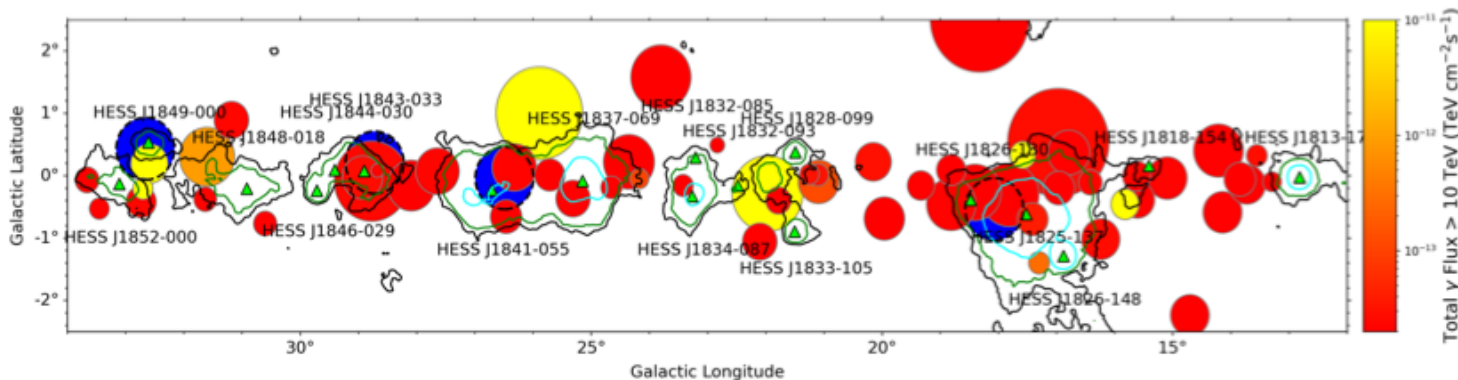


# Origins of 100 TeV gamma-ray emission

- Equilibrium spectra in radiation dominated environments  $\rightarrow$  hard leptonic IC spectra to 100 TeV



- CR escape from SNRs  $\rightarrow$  illuminate nearby interstellar clouds





# 46 Supernova Remnants

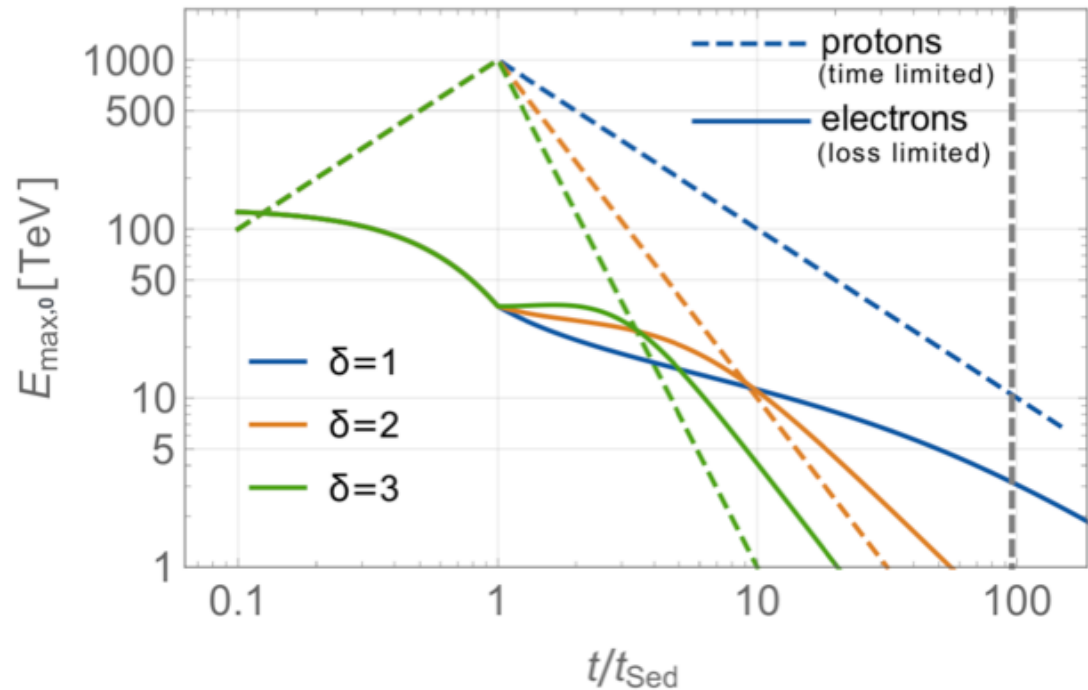
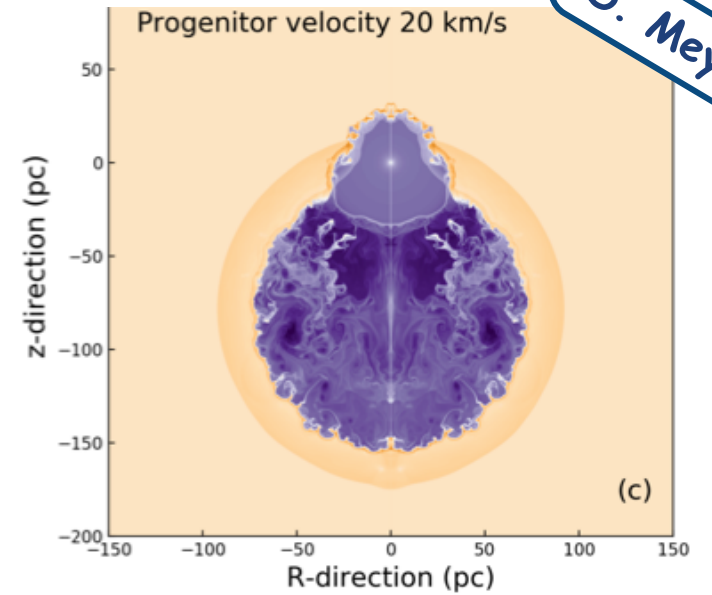
(D. Castro, M. Rameez)



# Key themes

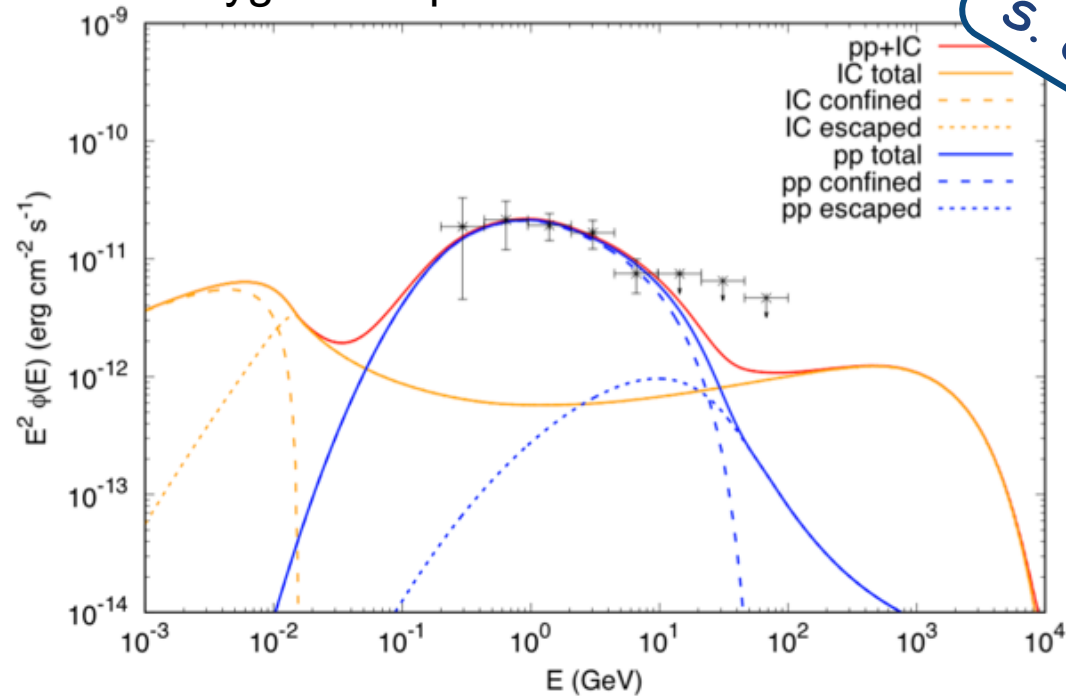
- Shell morphologies (asymmetry)
- Circumstellar material / environment
- Particle escape and transport
- Shock interactions with clouds

D. Meyer



## Cygnus loop SNR

S. Celli



$E_{\max}$  at  $t_{\text{Sed}}$  of 200 TeV  $\rightarrow$  was never a PeVatron!



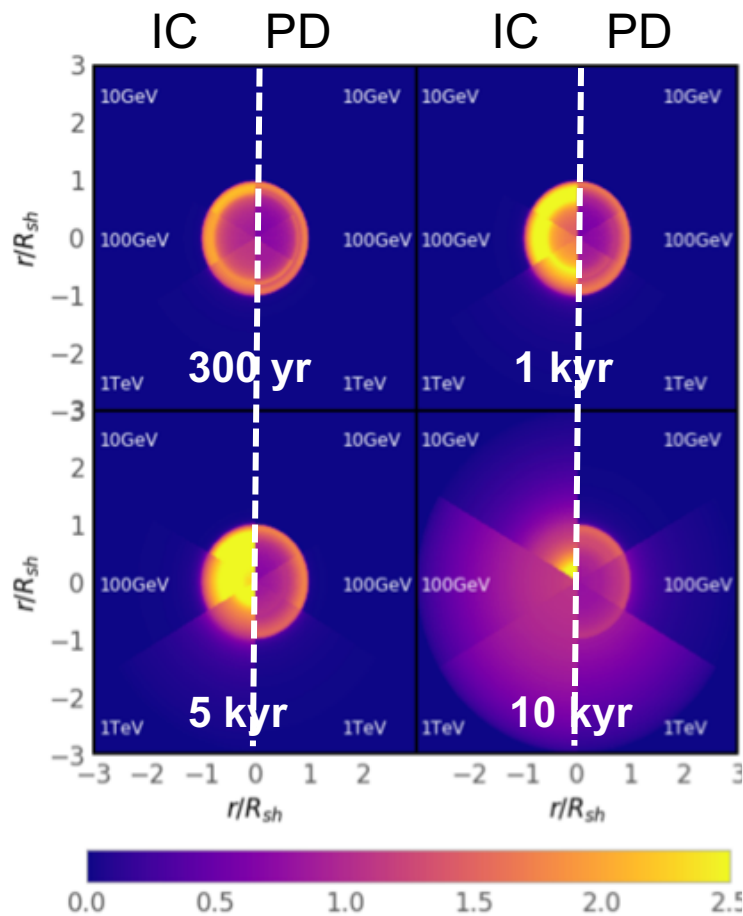
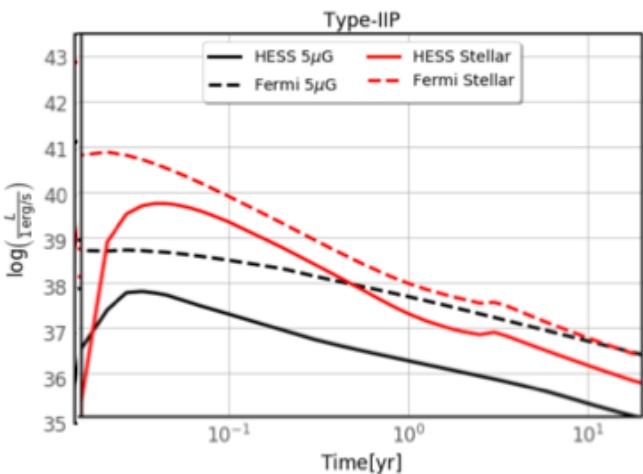
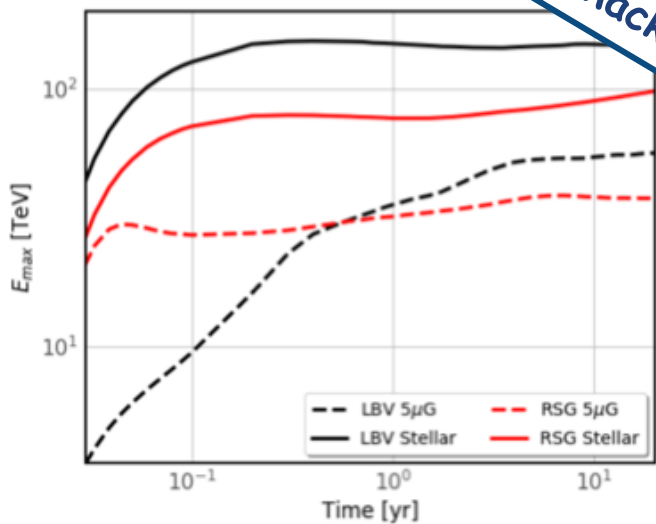
# SNRs – theory



Radiation Acceleration  
Transport Parallel Code

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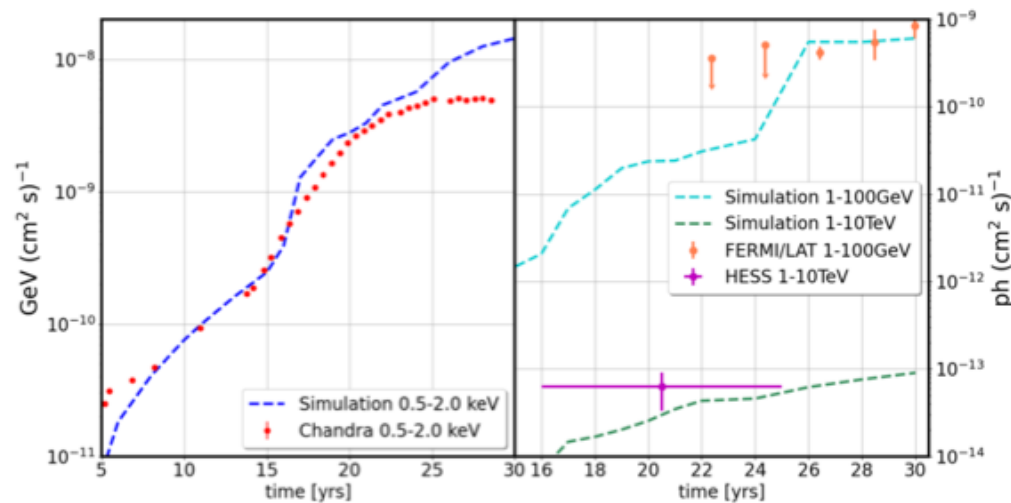
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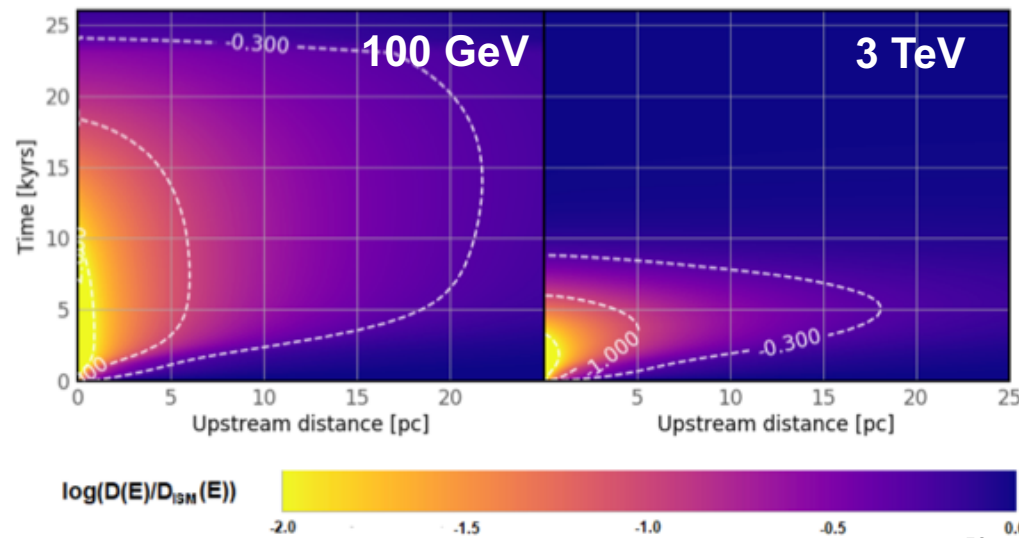
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SNR 1987A flux increase

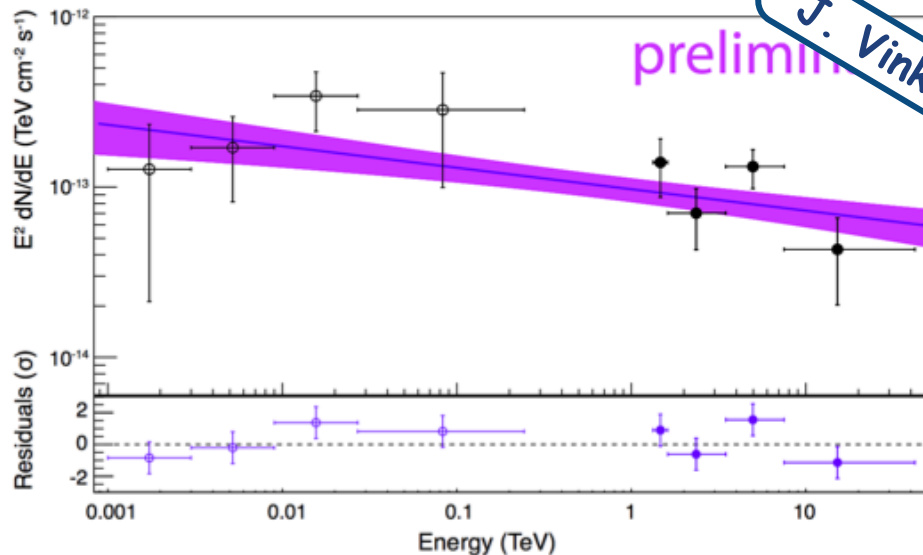


Suppressed diffusion around SNR

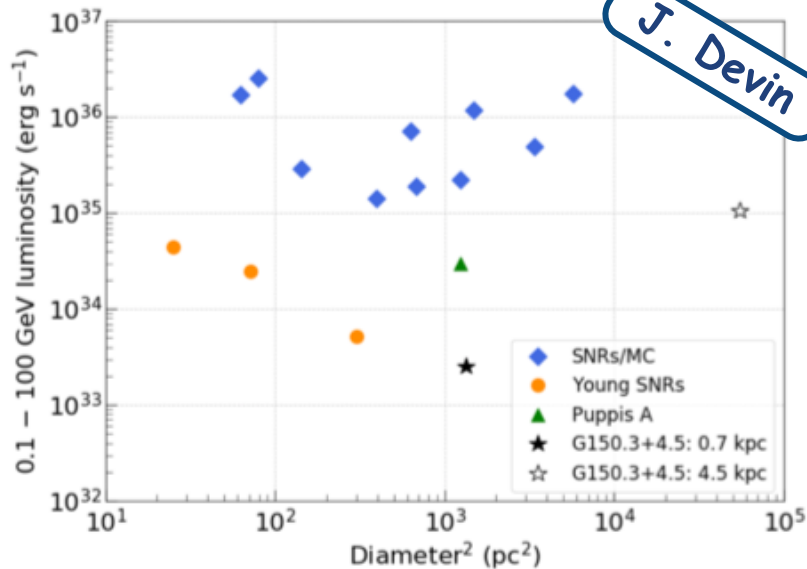
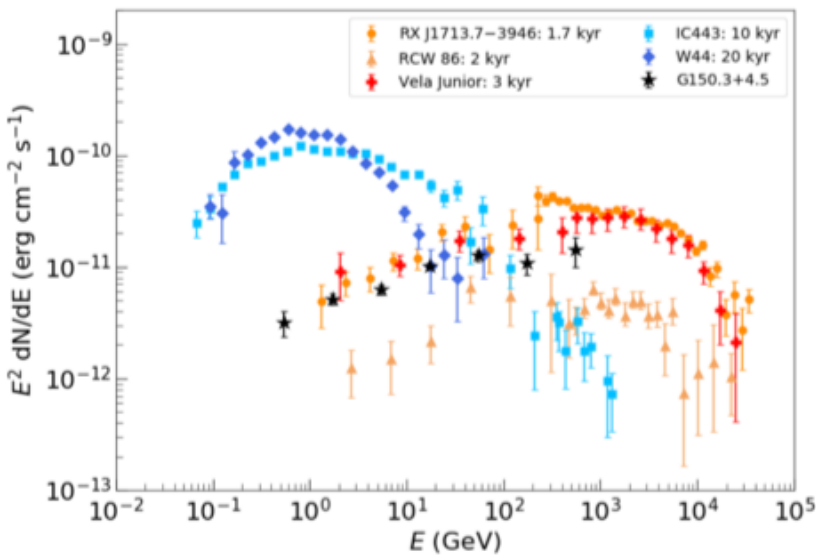


# SNRs – Observation

N132D in LMC with H.E.S.S.  
 ~2500 yrs, young spectrum →



G150.3+4.5 with Fermi-LAT → VHE data needed!



G150.3+4.5 is **spectrally similar to the dynamically young and shell-type SNRs**

G150.3+4.5 has likely a **low luminosity** (no hint for an interaction with a molecular cloud)

- W44 – interacting SNR  
Studies of components
- Kepler SNR
- G39.2-0.3
- HESS J1614-518
- HESS J1858+020

- L. Di Venere
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# 53 PWN and Halos

(J. Hinton, B. Olmi)

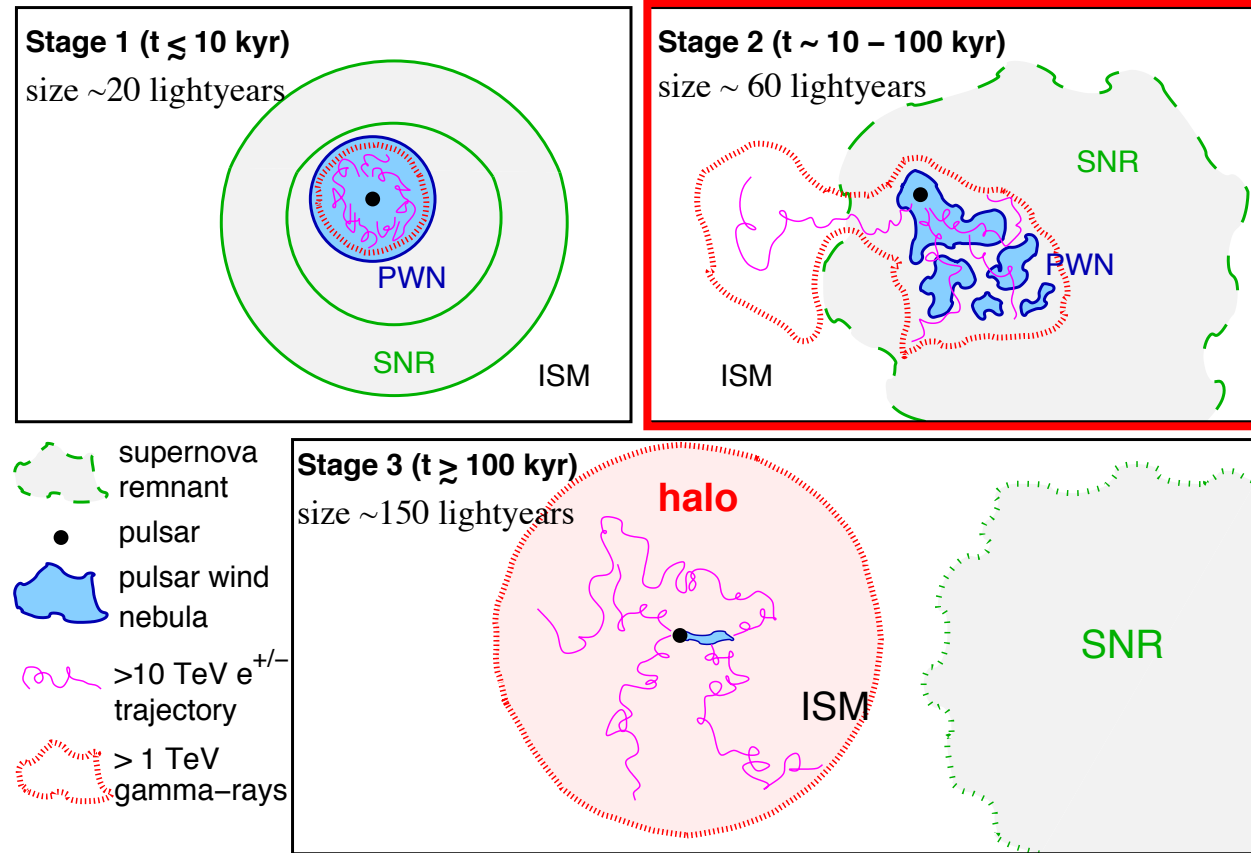


# Pulsar Wind Nebulae and Halos → What and why?

Simplified version!

- **PWN system evolution:**
  - Particle acceleration in PWNe (UHE sources?)
  - Particle escape into ISM → forming a halo
  - Source confusion (highly extended at VHE)
- **Cosmic Ray propagation:**
  - Diffusion seems to be suppressed in halo regions
  - Inhomogeneous diffusion properties of the ISM?
  - Is diffusion always the appropriate transport description?
- Discussion session included a report from the 1st workshop on gamma-ray halos around pulsars (1-3 Dec 2020)

Halo definition under debate!



Giacinti, **AM**, Lopez-Coto et al, A&A 636, A113 (2020)



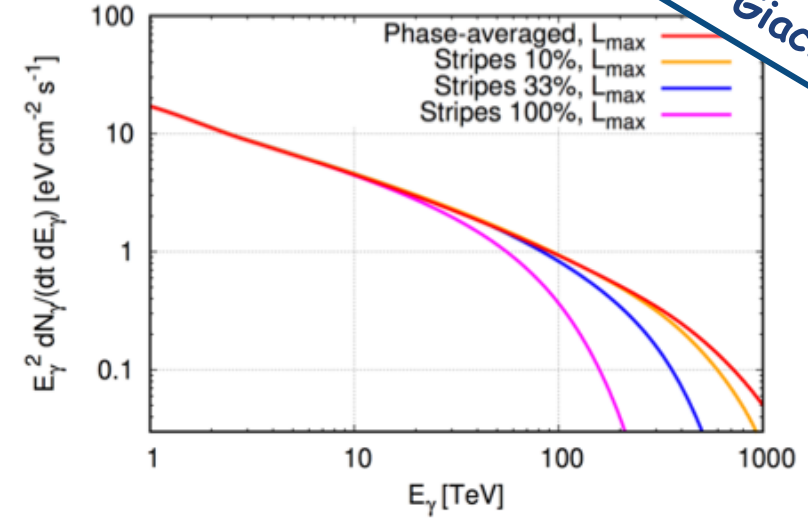
## PWNe – theory

- Electrons accelerated to 1 PeV at wind termination shock!
- Contribution of unresolved pulsar wind nebulae to diffuse emission

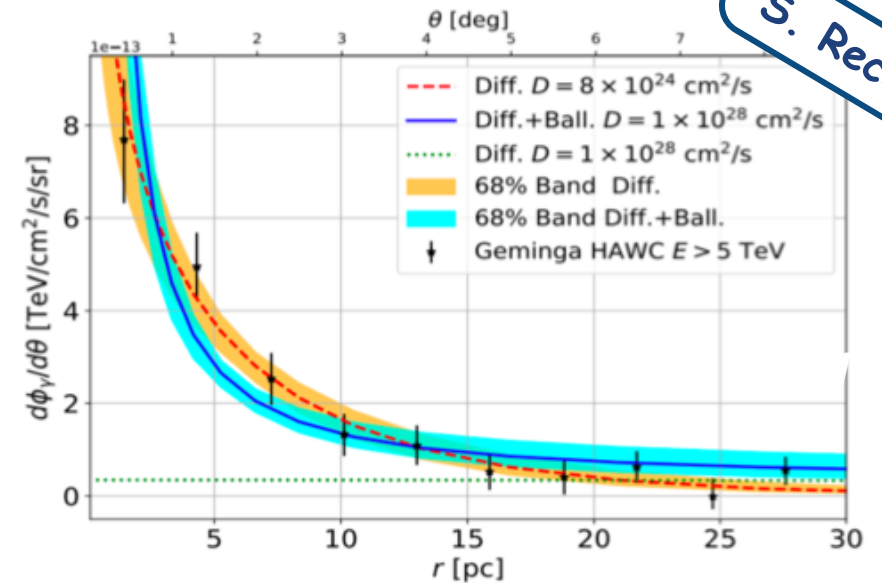
G. Pagliaroli

## Halos – theory

- Escaping particles probe the ISM
- **Local sources:** account for  $e^-$  spectrum and  $e^+$  excess?
- HAWC measurements around Geminga  $\rightarrow$  Diffusion coefficient **a factor 100 lower** than B/C ratio
- Can other particle transport models explain **without low D**?
- **Caveats to this model:**
  - “ballistic”  $\rightarrow$  of gyro-centre, not true ballistic
  - Highly efficient conversion of spin-down energy required
  - Assumed isotropy  $\rightarrow$  strong anisotropy in such a regime



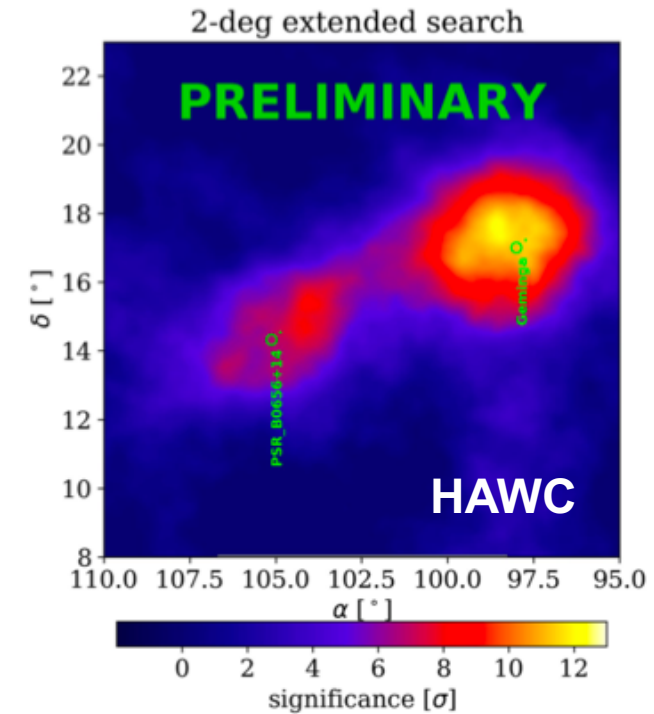
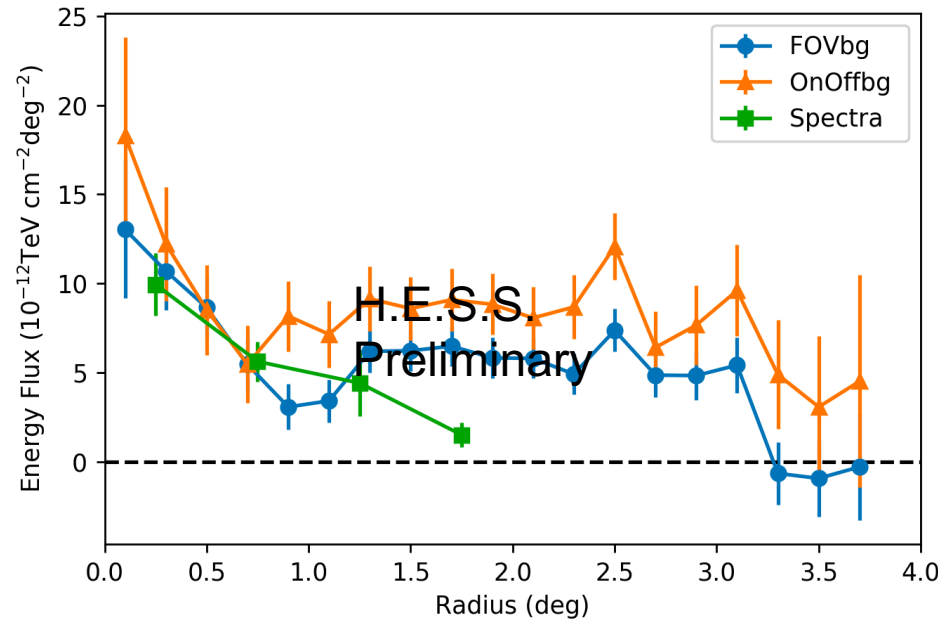
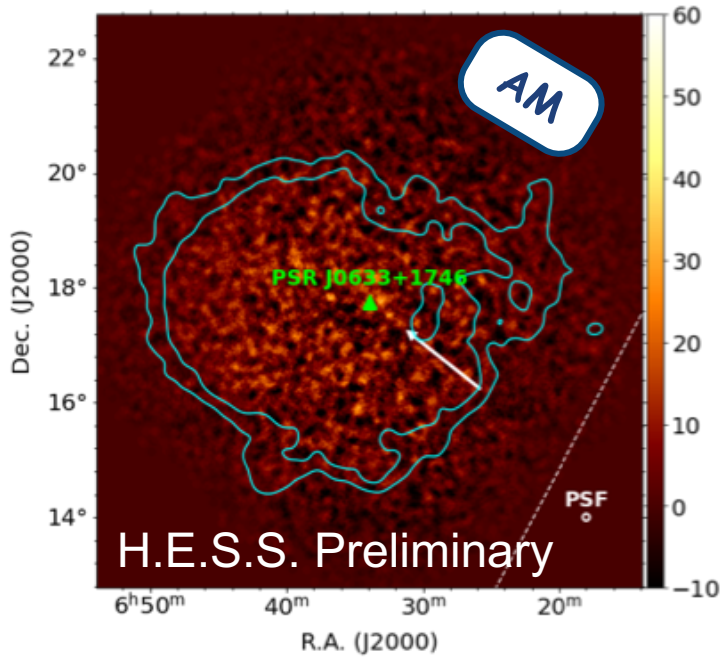
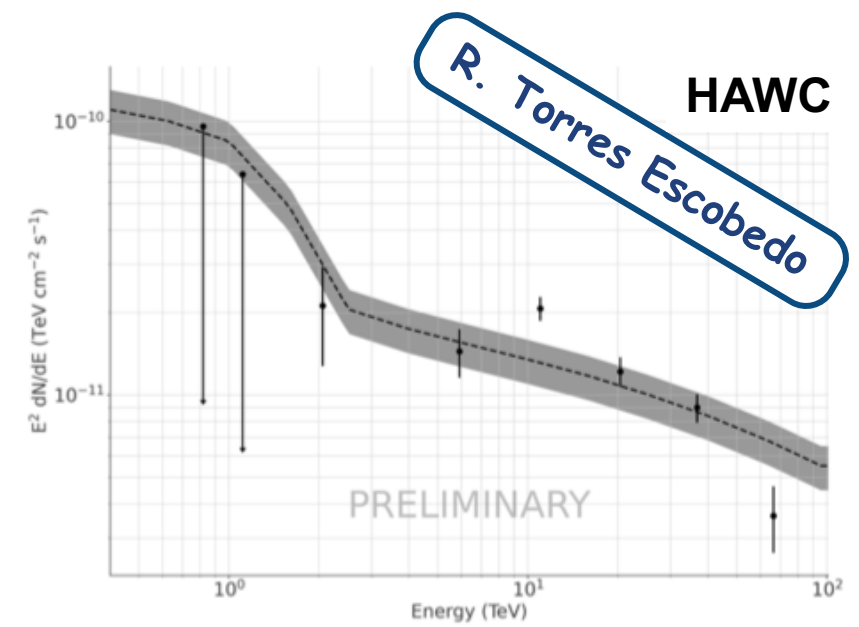
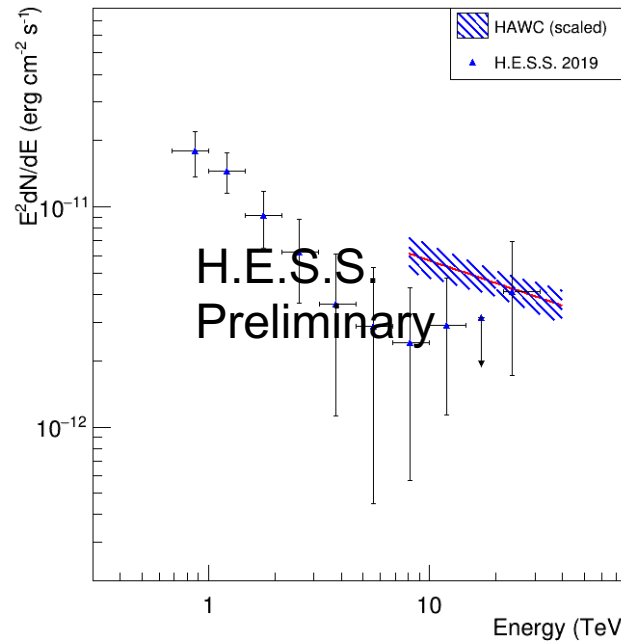
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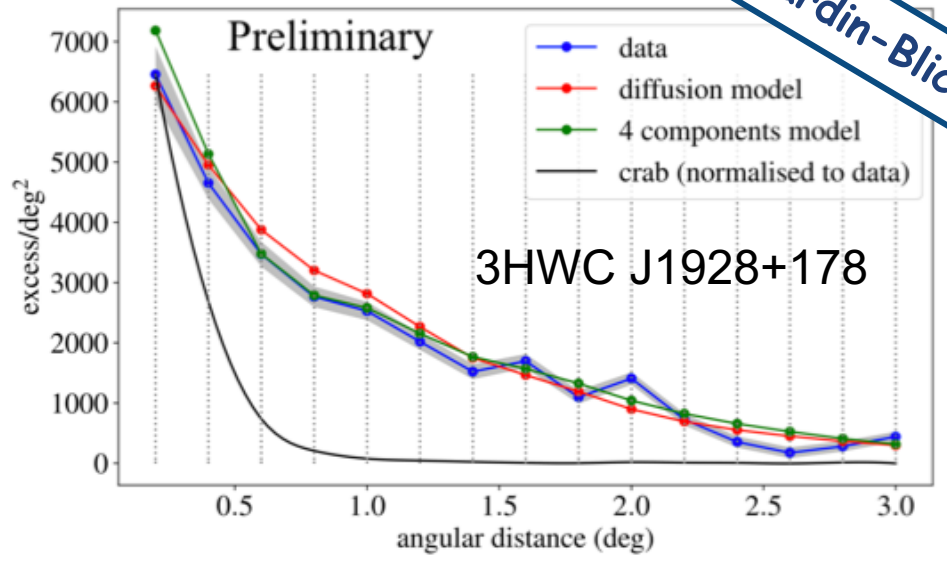
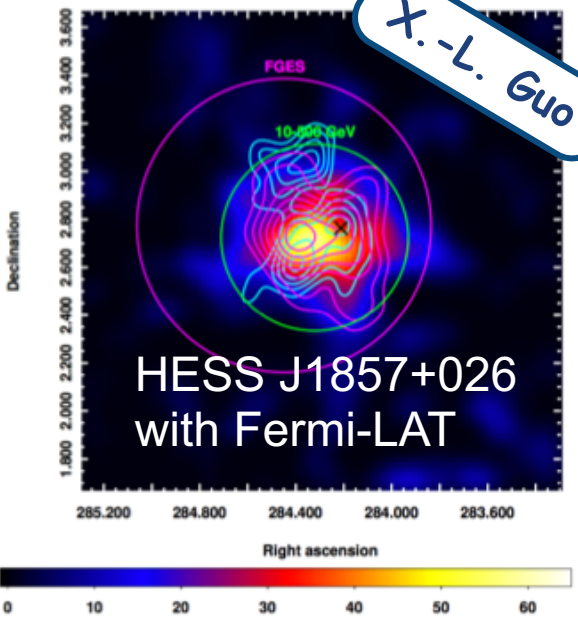
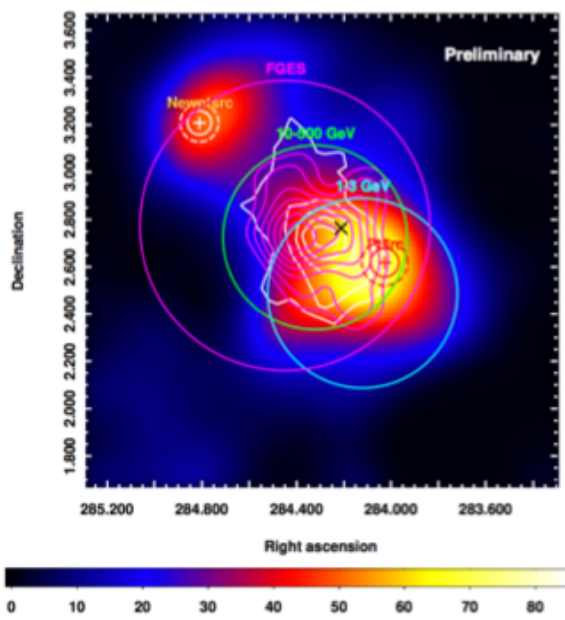
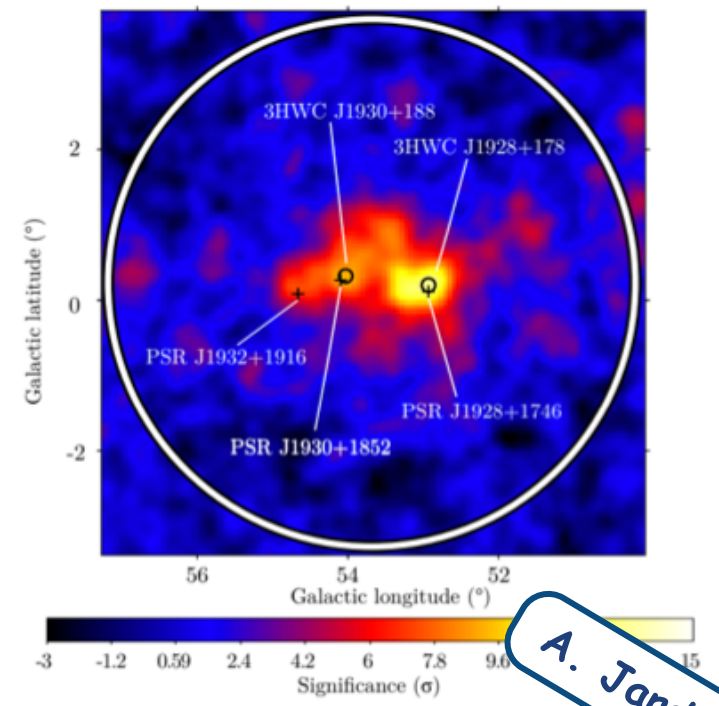
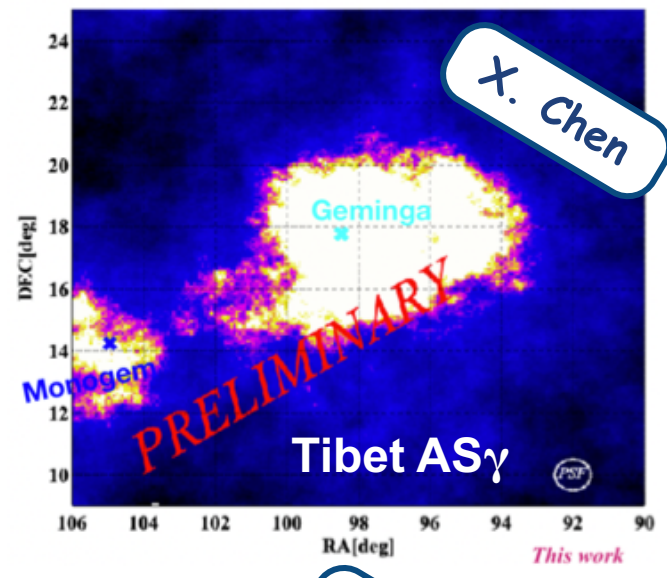
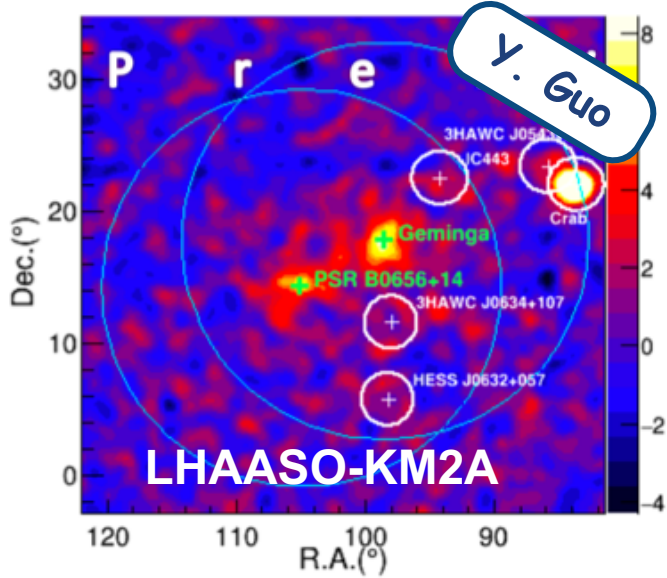
# Geminga and Monogem

- Prototypical examples of halos
  - PSR J0633+1746 ,  
342 kyr,  $\dot{E} = 3.2 \times 10^{34}$  erg/s
  - PSR B0656+14 ,  
111 kyr,  $\dot{E} = 3.8 \times 10^{34}$  erg/s





# More halos & halo candidates



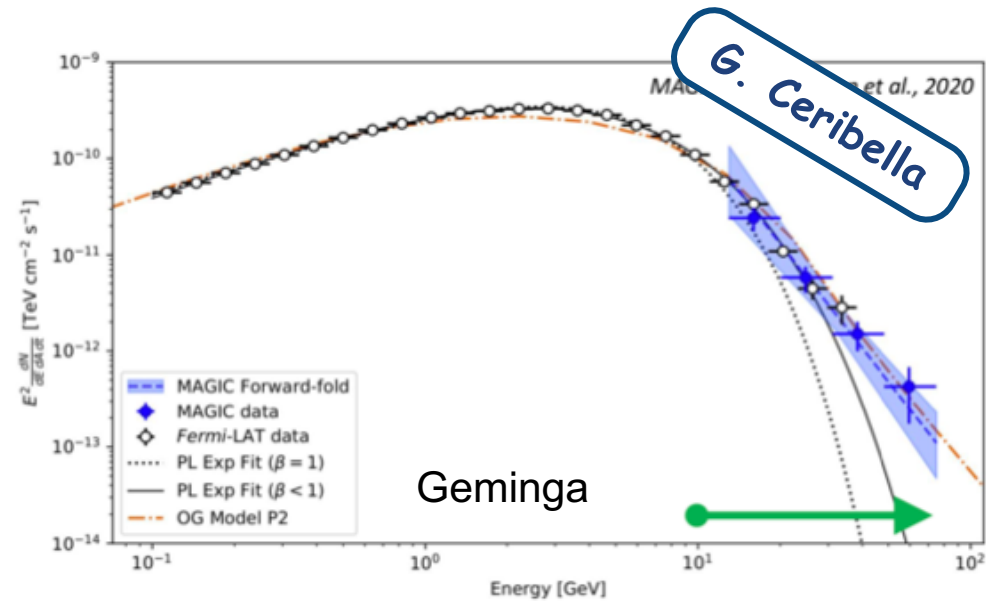
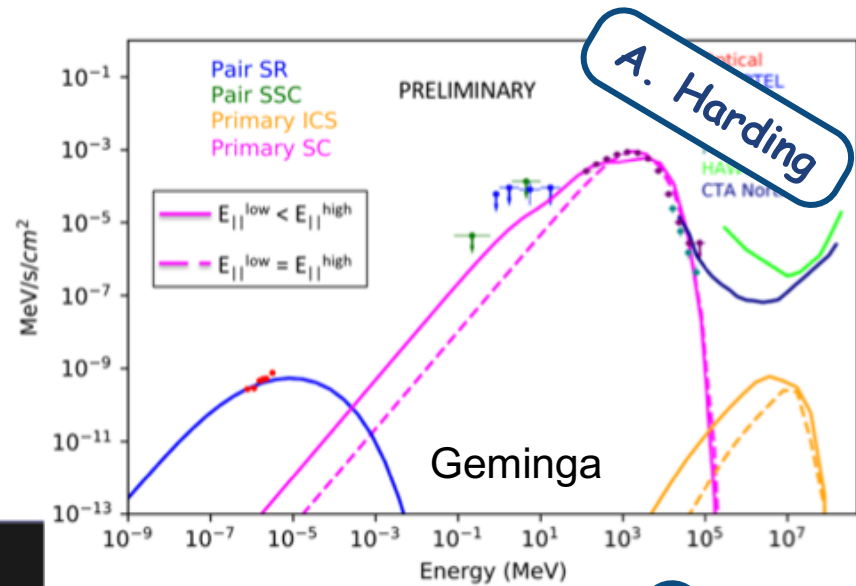
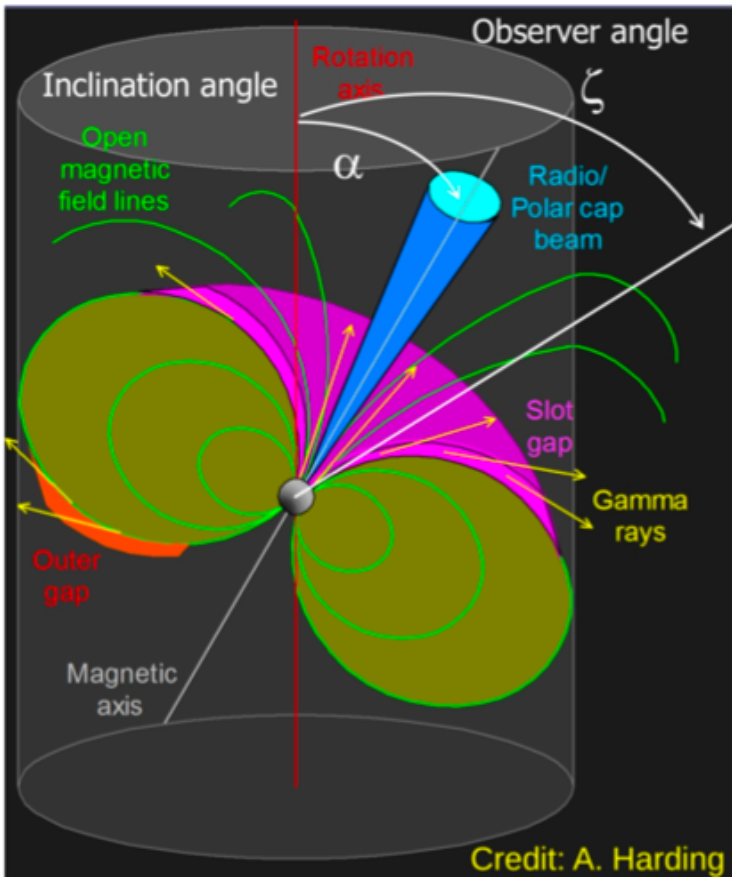


# 50 Galactic Compact Objects: Pulsars, Binary Systems, Microquasars

(J. Holder, E. de Oña Wilhelmi)



# Pulsars



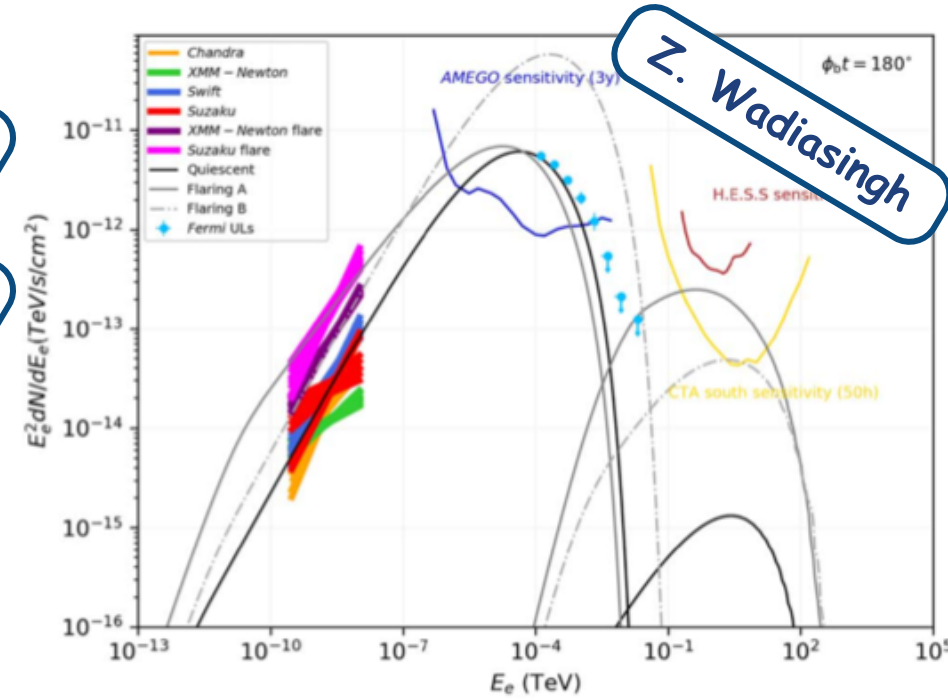
- Vary  $\alpha$  and  $\zeta$  for Vela

M. Barnard

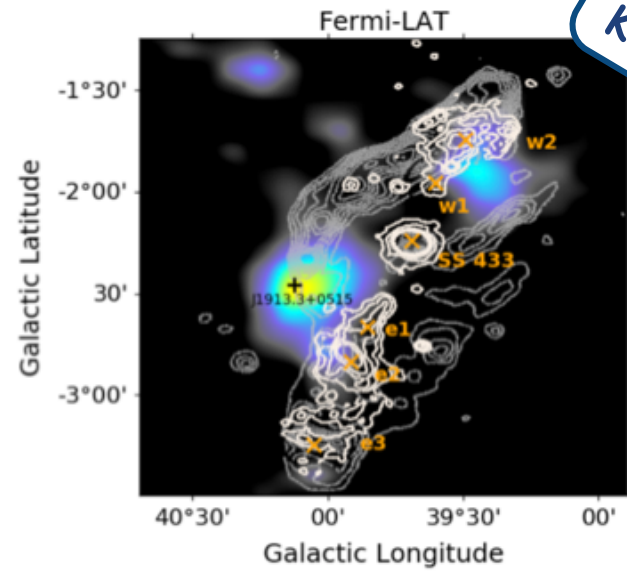
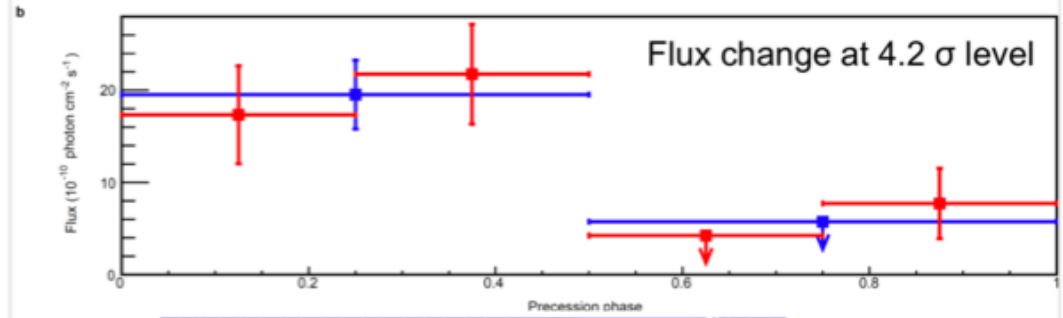
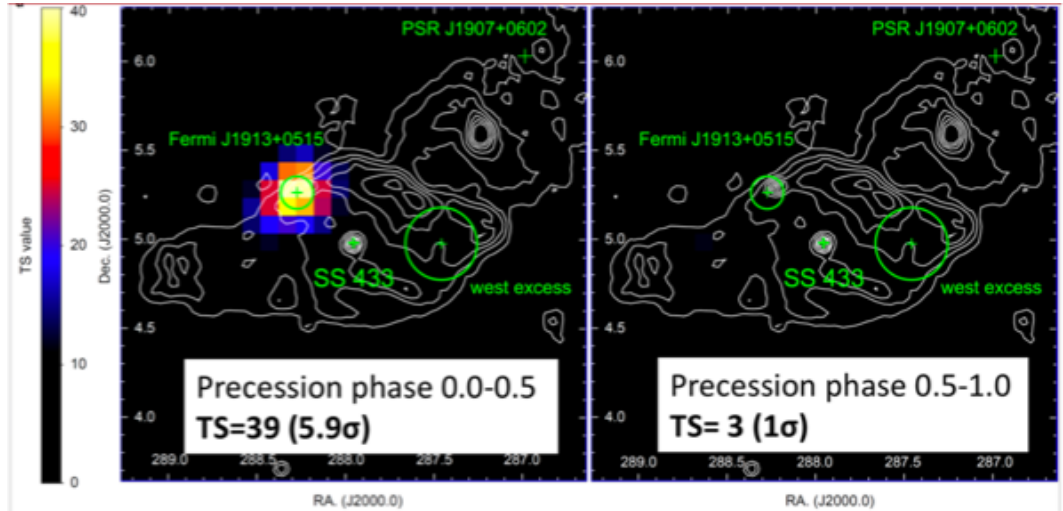
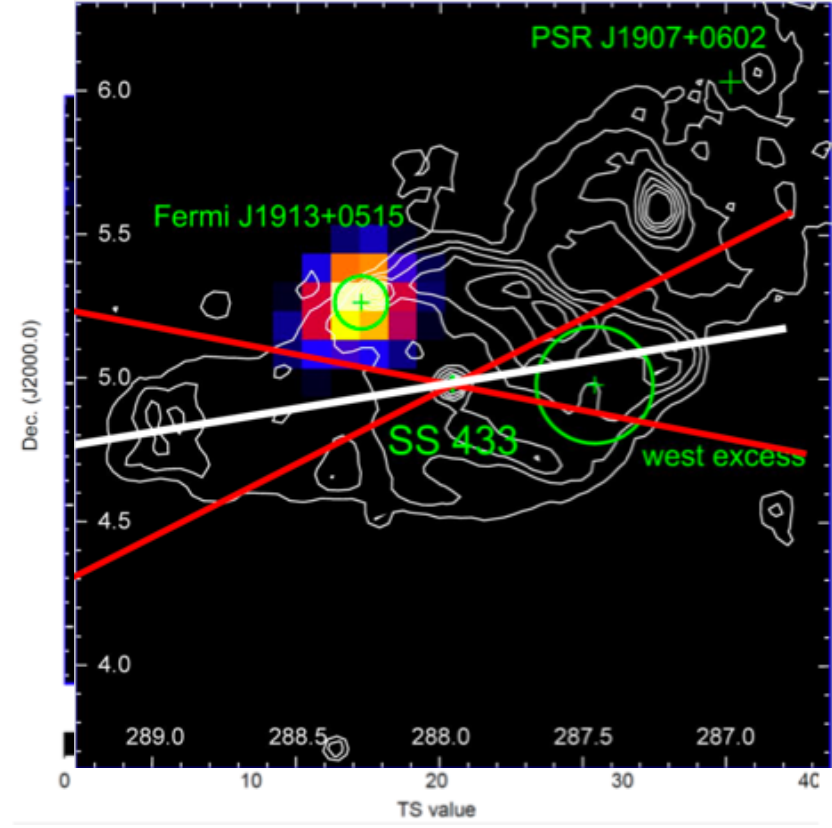
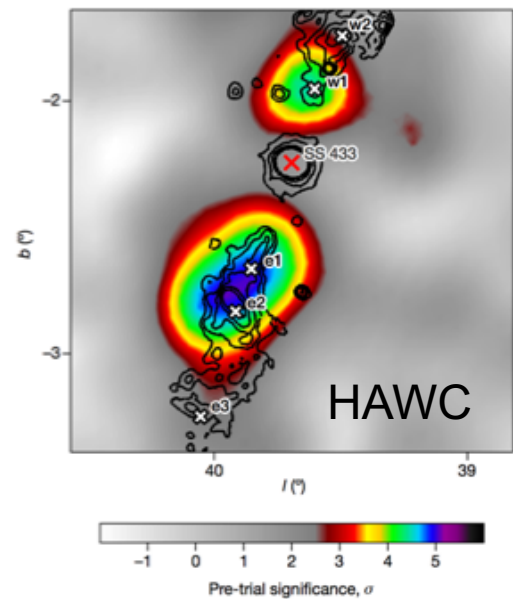
- PSR J2021+4026: Gamma-ray flux variability coincident with changes in spin-down rate.

A. Fiori

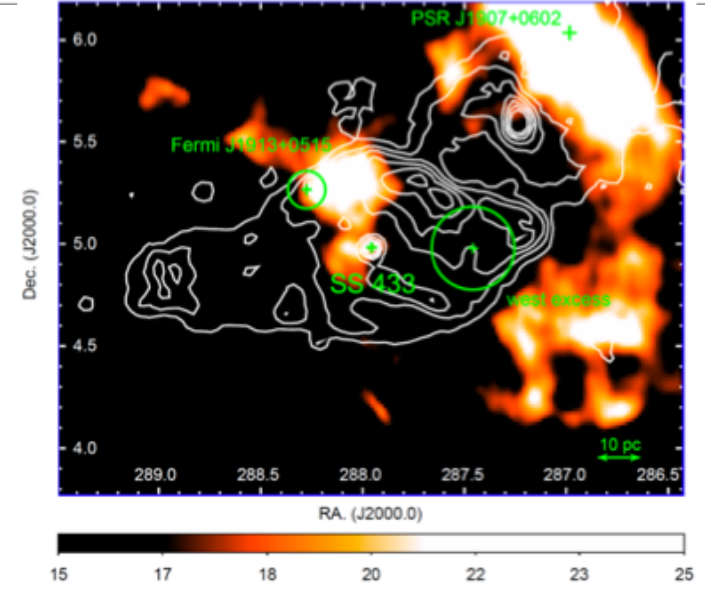
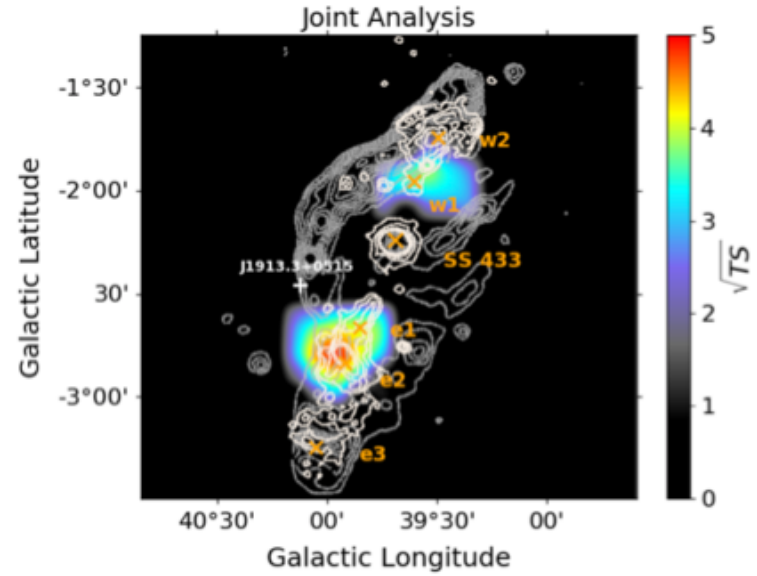
- Black widow MSP J1311-3430, predictions for VHE signal in optical flaring state.



# Microquasar: SS433



K. Fang



J. Li







# 54 Gamma-Ray Bursts in the VHE regime

(L. Nava, B. Reville)



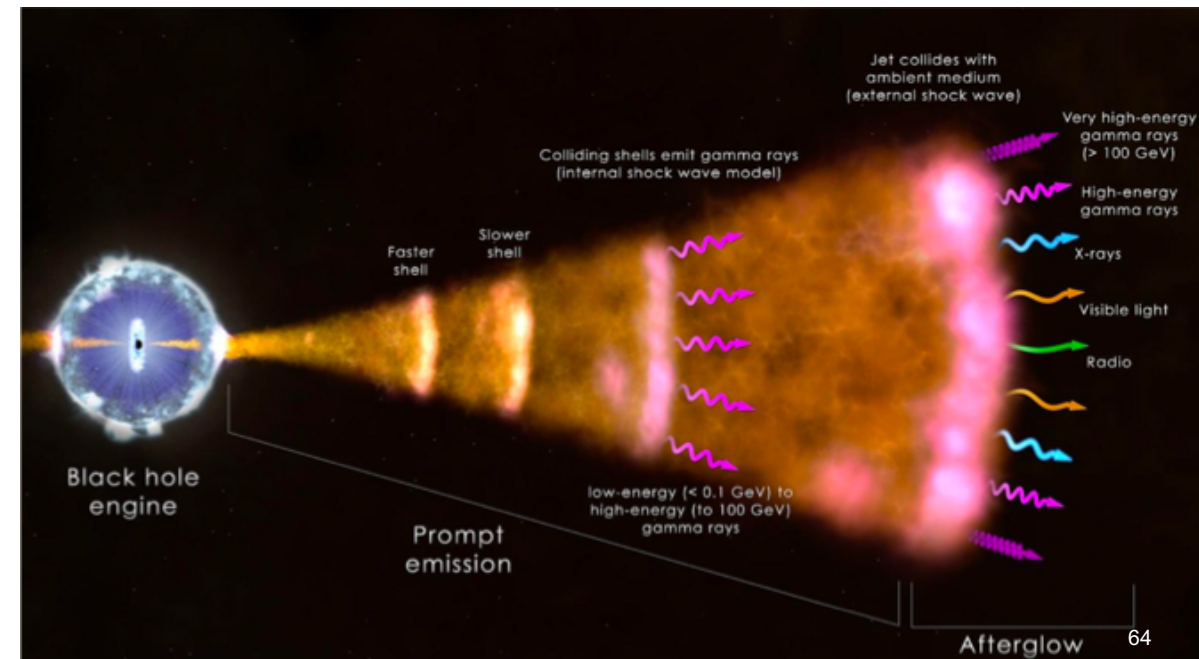
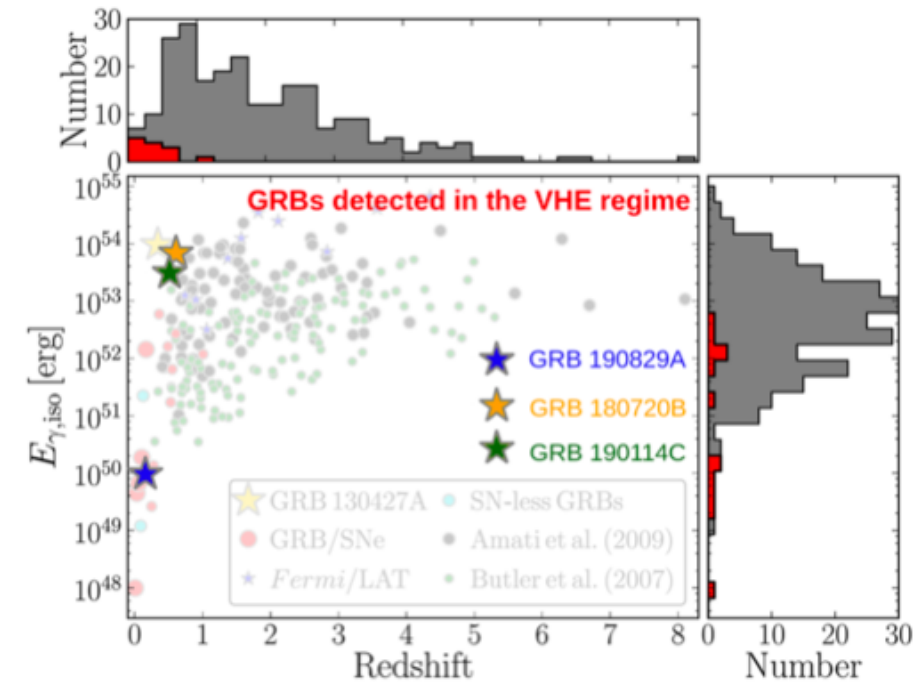
## After a > 15 year long search:

- First four VHE GRBs detected by H.E.S.S. & MAGIC between 2018 – 2020 (long GRBs, detected during afterglow phase)

- GRB 180720B,  $z \sim 0.654$  (H.E.S.S.)
- GRB 190114C,  $z \sim 0.4245$  (MAGIC)
- GRB 190829A,  $z \sim 0.08$  (H.E.S.S.)
- GRB 201216C,  $z \sim 1.1$  (MAGIC)

### • Open questions:

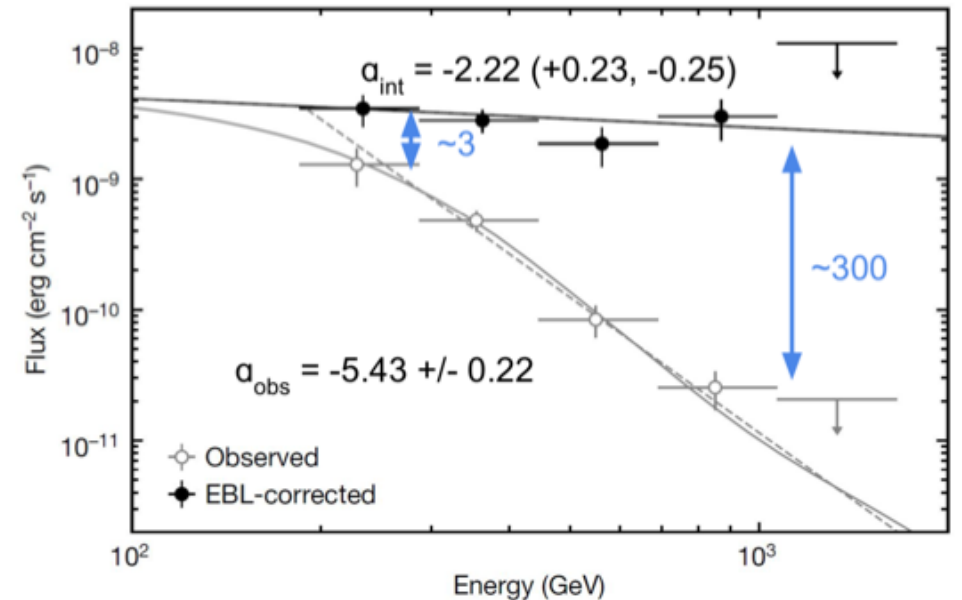
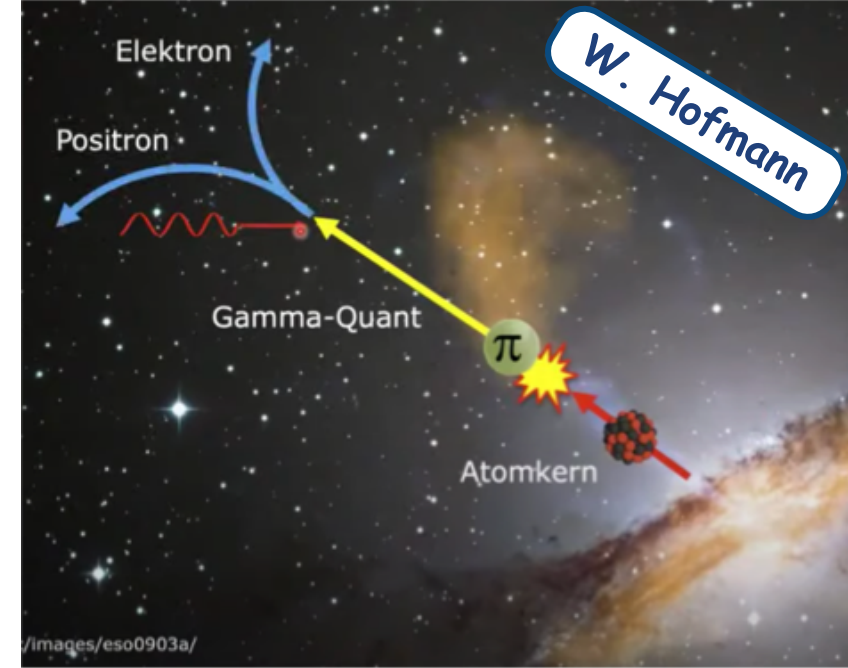
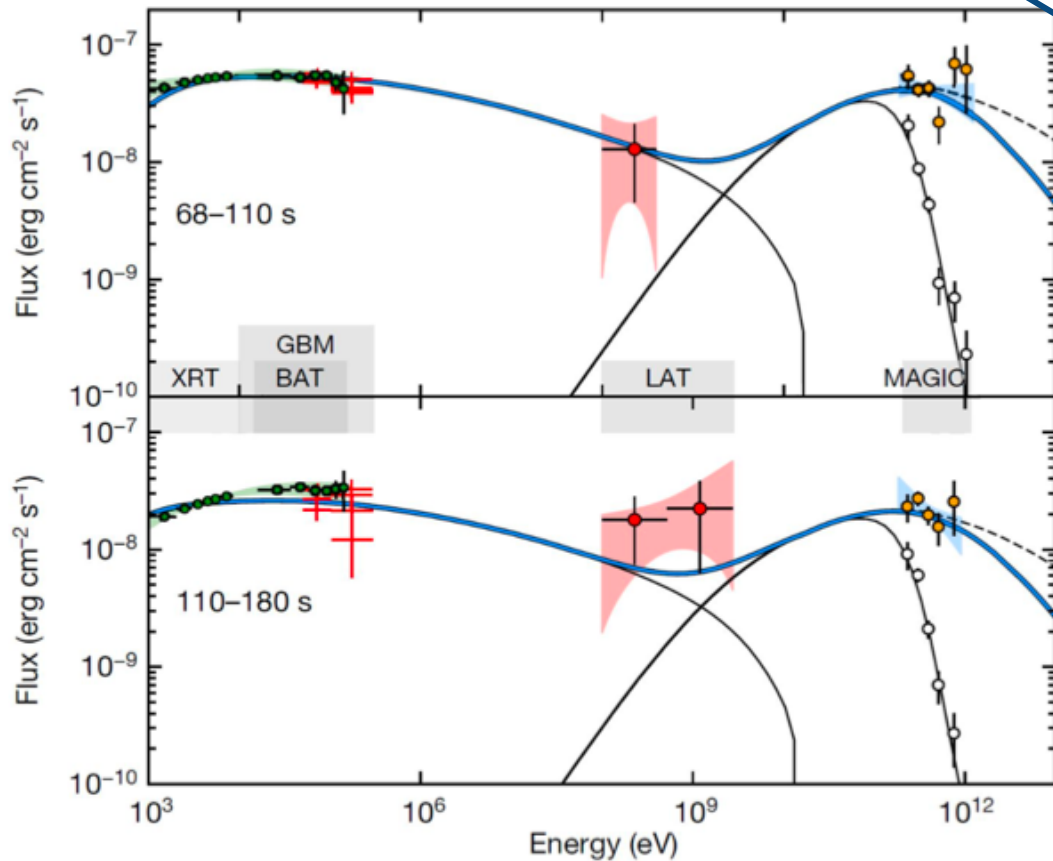
- What is the origin of the VHE emission?
- Is VHE emission common?
- VHE observations constrain  $E_{\max}$ ?
- SSC component, or pure Synchrotron?
- Multiple regions of emission?



# GRB 190114C

- Synchrotron self-Compton (SSC) component: Necessary or not?
- Absorption by Extragalactic Background Light (EBL)  $\rightarrow$  large uncertainties on models  $\rightarrow$  Need to correct spectrum

A. Berti





# GRB 190829A

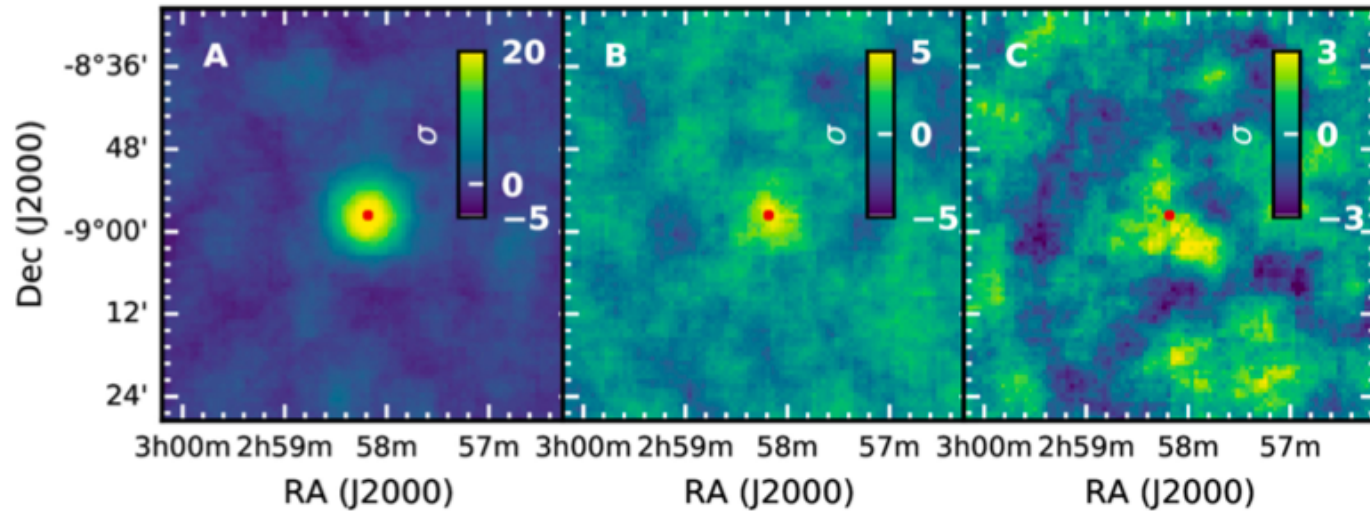
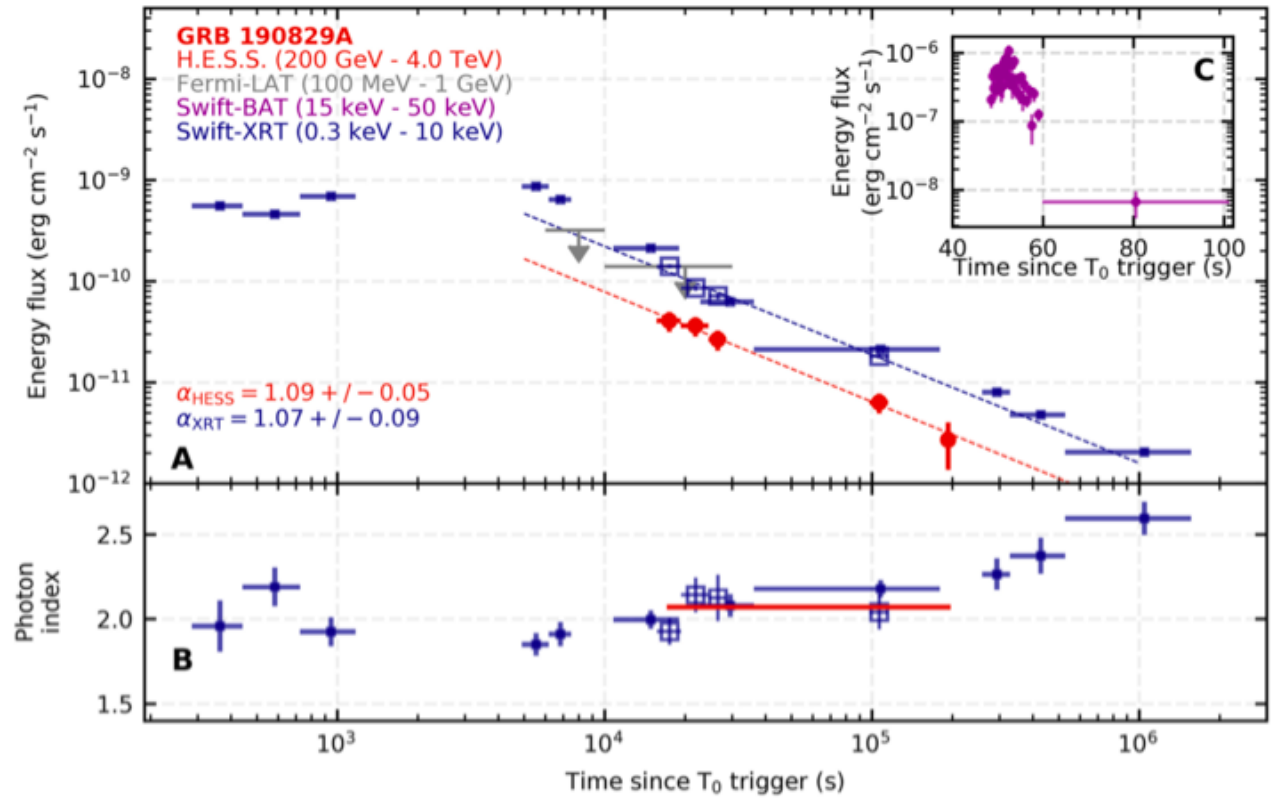
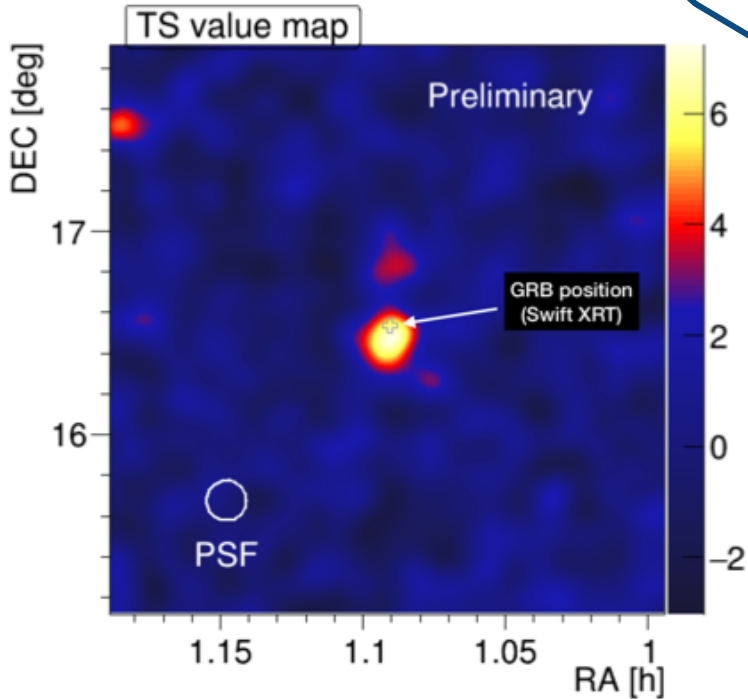
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- Observed over three nights by H.E.S.S.

# GRB 201216C

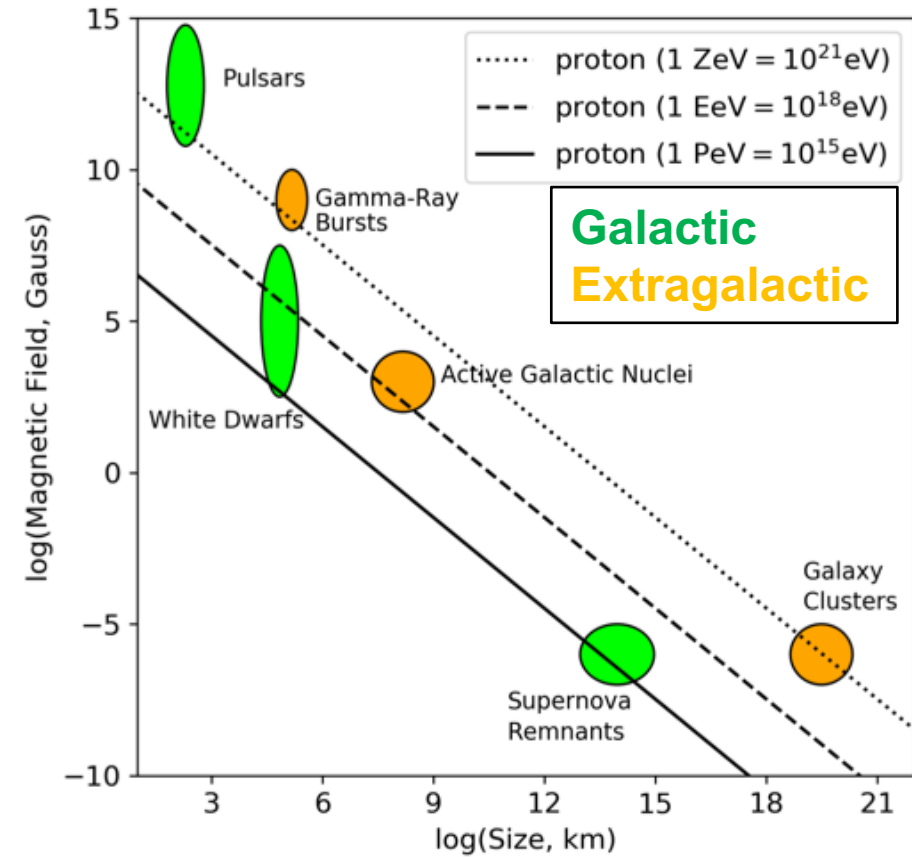
- Detected at 6 sigma with MAGIC

S. Fukami

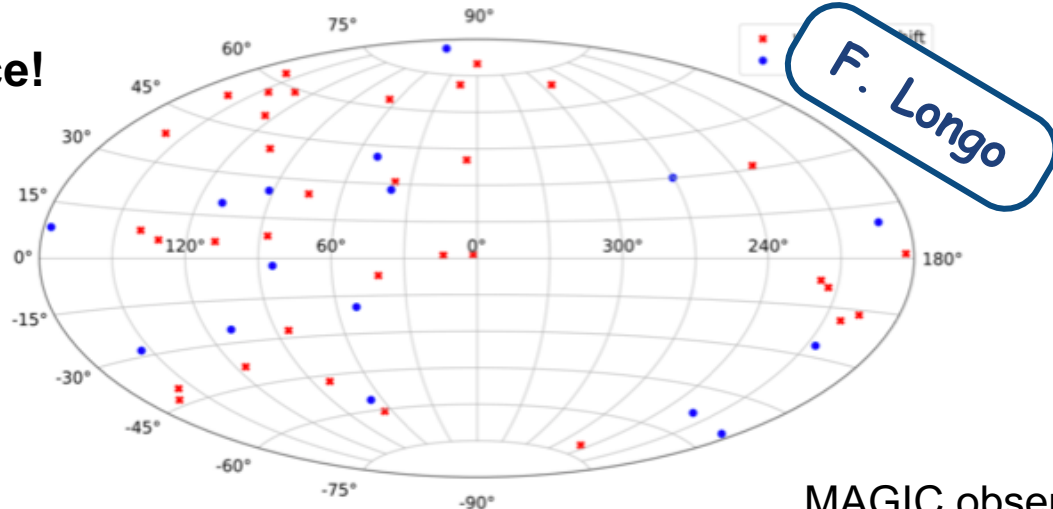


# Future GRB detections at VHE?

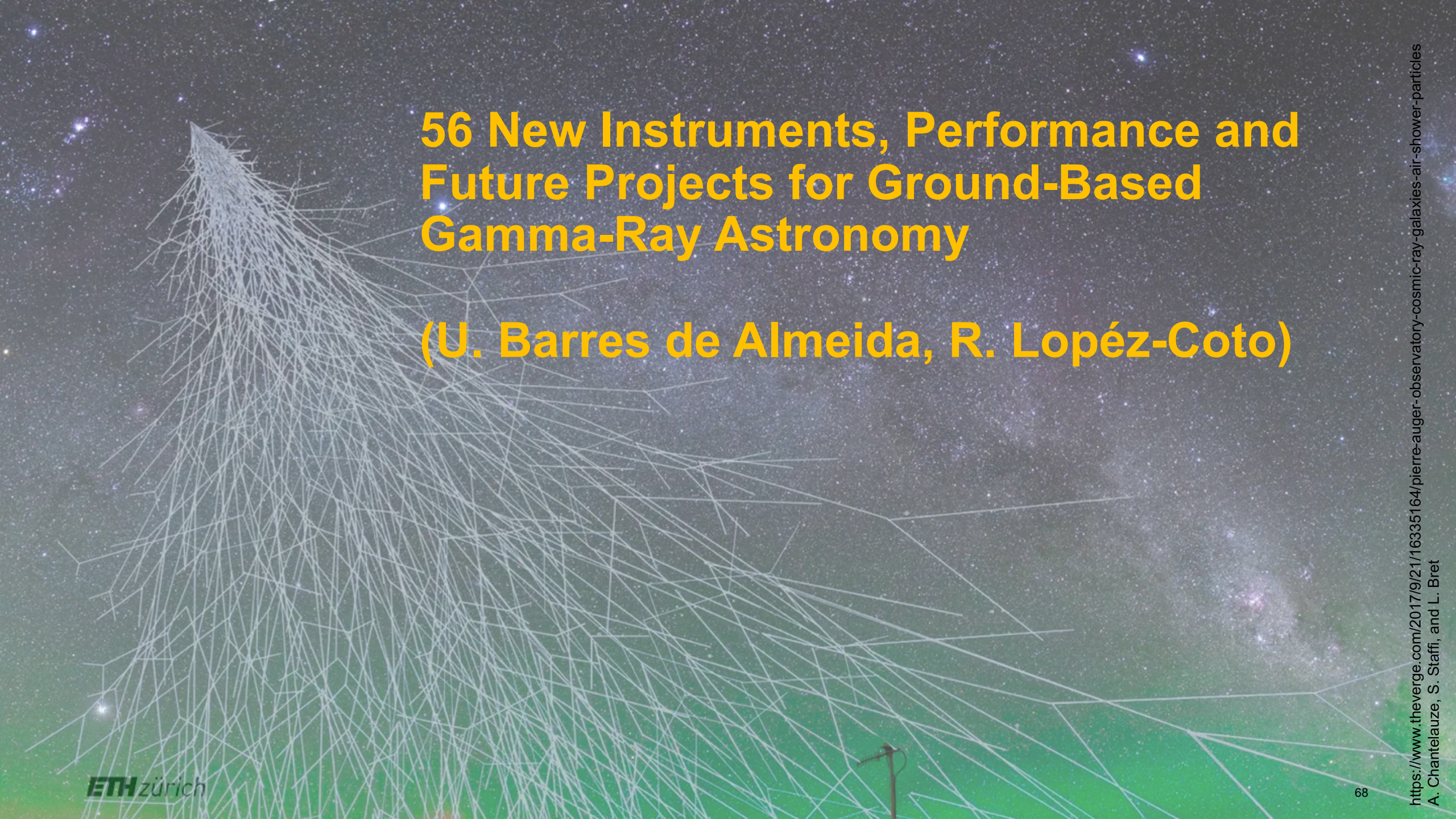
- **Why now? What changed?**
  - Strategy: observe for longer time after alert
  - Detector and analysis: upgrades and improvements to alert pipelines.
  - Ambition: e.g. GRB 190114C detected under moonlight conditions
- **What next?**
  - Tip of the Iceberg → VHE GRBs are mostly “typical”
  - Searches by HAWC, LHAASO, LAGO...  
Particle detector arrays → particularly important for prompt phase emission
  - Look forward to observations & monitoring by future facilities...



- **Watch this space!**







# 56 New Instruments, Performance and Future Projects for Ground-Based Gamma-Ray Astronomy

(U. Barres de Almeida, R. López-Coto)



# The future: of IACTs and particle detector / hybrid arrays

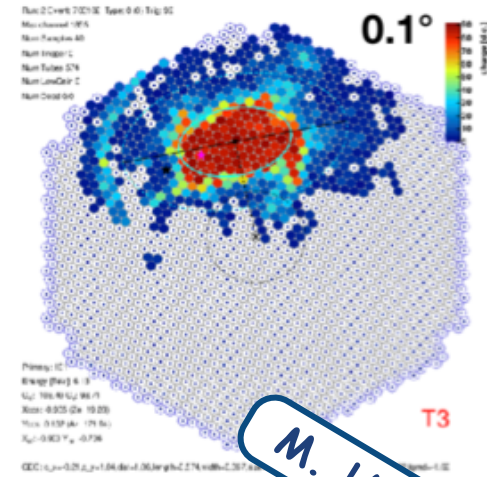
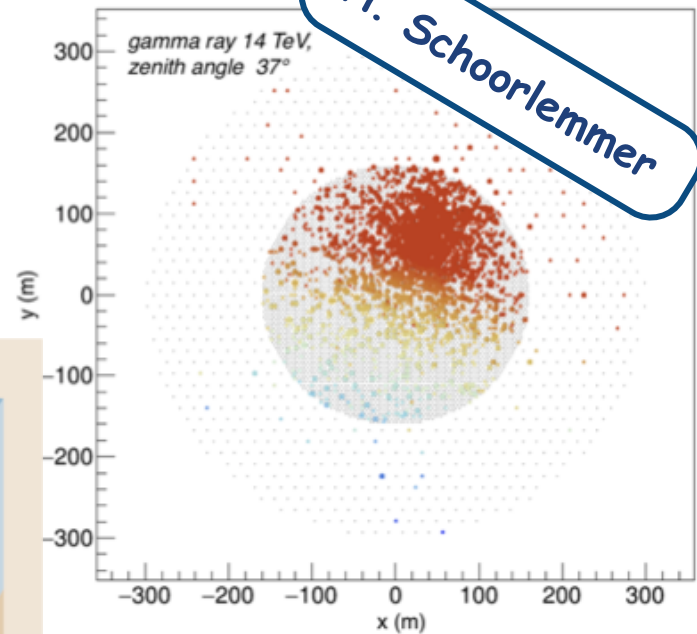
- **Key themes:**

- Complementarity of techniques (sensitivity and resolution)
- Operating mode of current IACTs in CTA era?
- More open community: common tools, open source software, external proposals
- **Go South!**

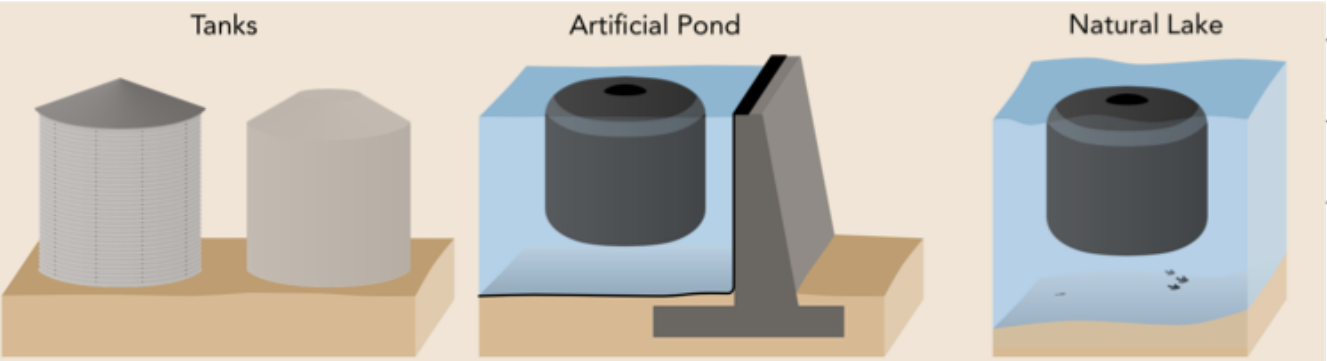
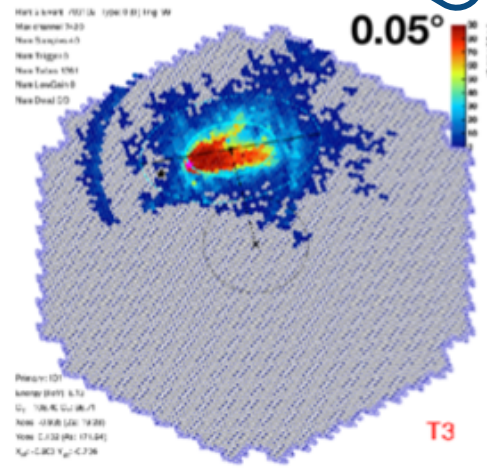
F. Werner



H. Schoorlemmer

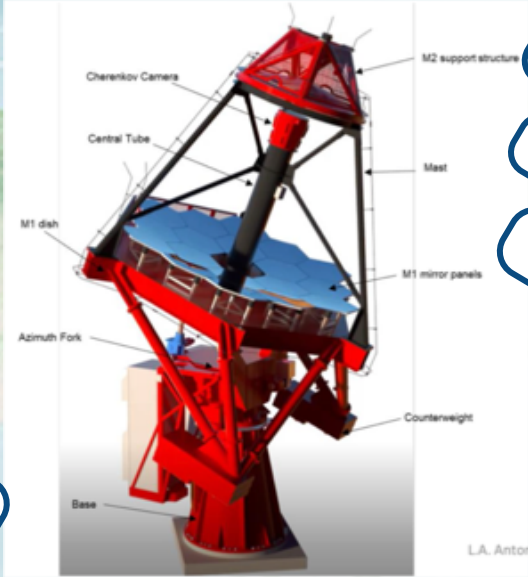
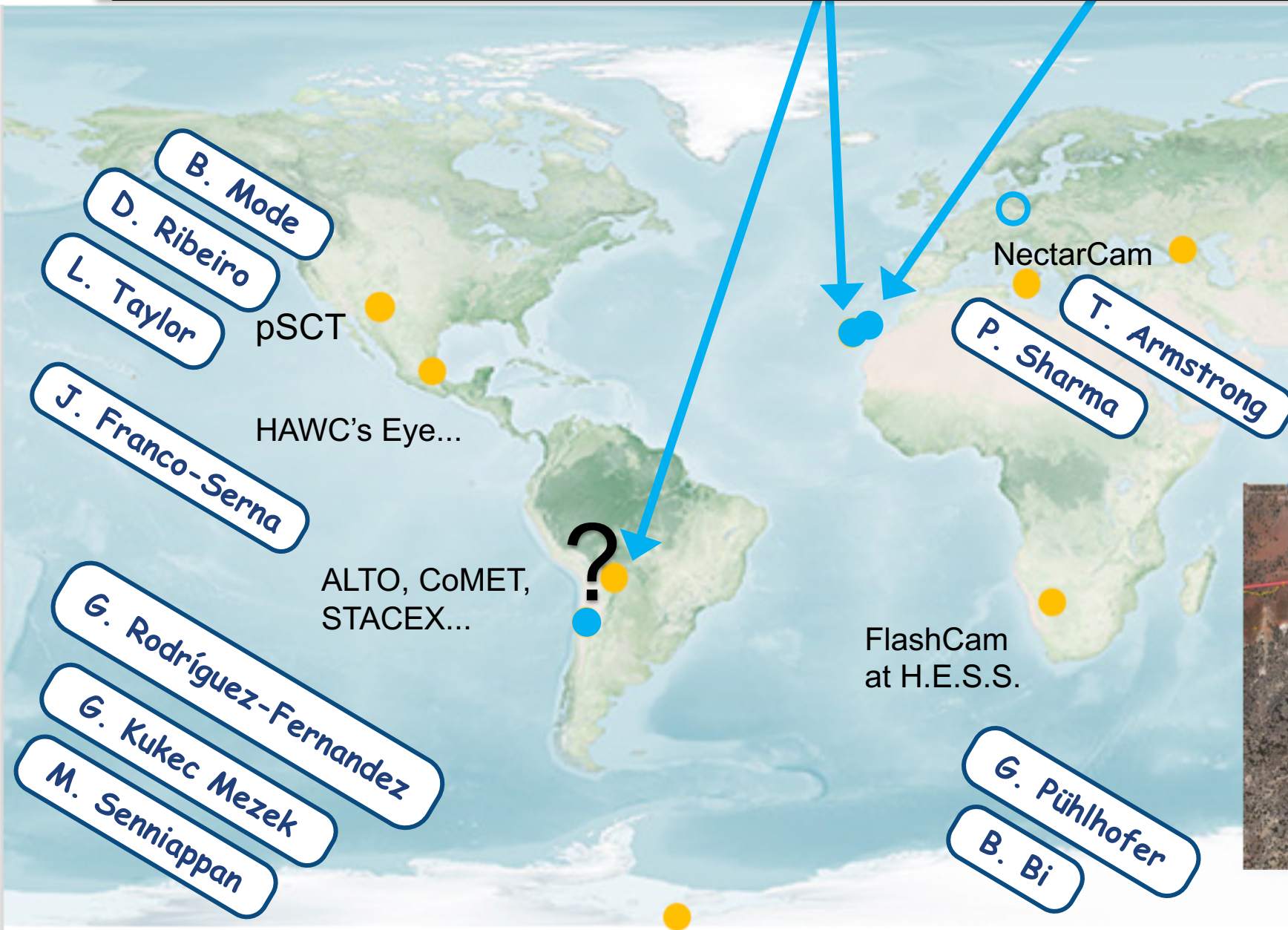


M. Heller





# New and future instruments: CTA, SWGO, ASTRI...upgrades++



- A. D'Ai
- A. Antonelli
- S. Lombardi
- S. Vercellone







R. White





# Summary and Outlook

Entering the PeV era

Top three topics:

- Particle escape
- PeVatrons
- Transients (GRBs++)

Closing in on the origin of Galactic Cosmic Rays?

An exciting time for VHE gamma-ray astronomy!



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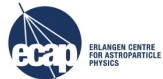
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# Backup

## Virtual Conference – feedback & what next?



# Feedback from GAI: The first virtual ICRC

## Future ICRCs?

- **No scheduled parallel talks:**
  - **Pro:** watch talks at any time.  
Replay / rewind / change speed etc.
  - **Con:** difficult to watch before discussions!  
Reduced audience? Need summary slide per contribution at start of discussions.
- **Discussion sessions:**
  - **Pro:** not only Q&A, but also discussion on hot topics / key questions
  - **Con:** still not enough time! How much time per speaker?
- **Conference platform:**
  - **Pro:** Q&A at any time
  - **Con:** too many clicks to navigate, no unique ID per contribution
- **Hybrid format:**
  - Enable in person and remote attendance
  - Live chat / Q&A during talks useful (and transfer of questions afterwards)
  - Retain scheduled talk times?
  - Keep broader open discussions → very interesting and fruitful
  - Make recordings available
  - Notify presenter when someone is at table / poster
- **Remote advantages:**
  - Many more attendees, cheaper, flexible
- **Remote disadvantages:**
  - Networking, spontaneous discussions, time zones

# Feedback from GAI: The first virtual ICRC

- **Discussion Sessions:**
  - Good opportunity for more general discussion
  - Never enough time!
- **Presenter forum:**
  - In general a good tool, but...

