

Recent Status and Results of the Dark Matter Particle Explorer

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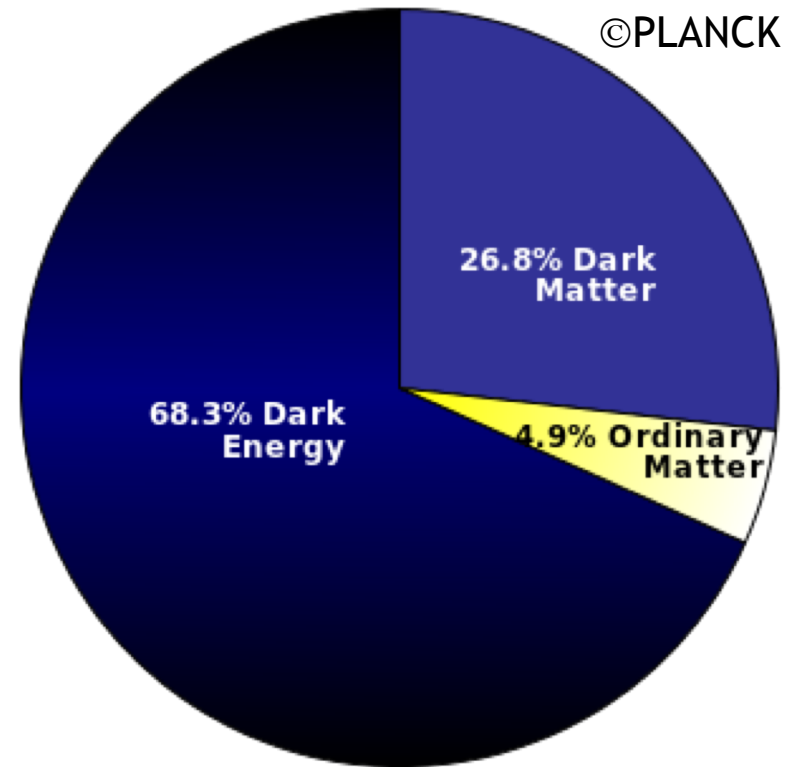
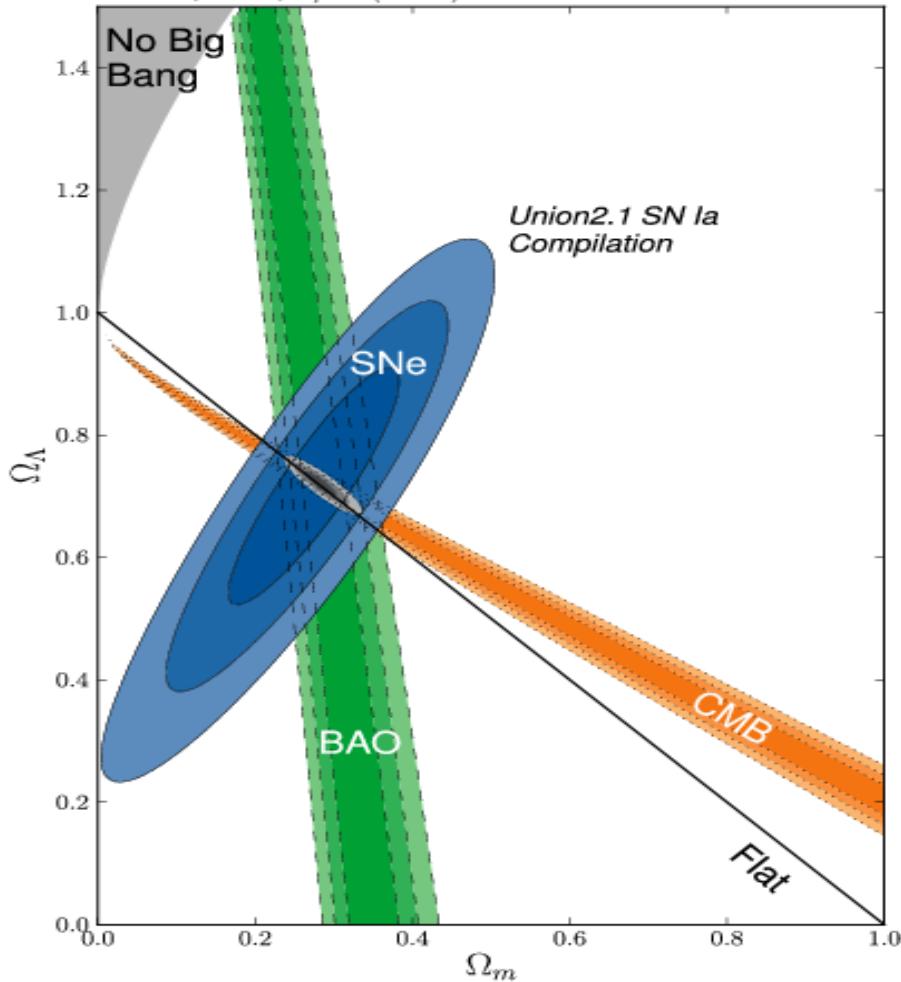
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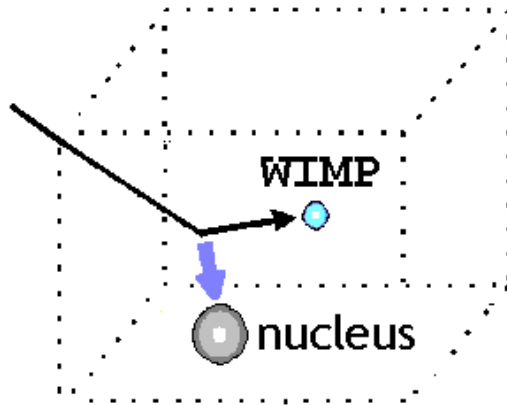
Composition of the Universe

Supernova Cosmology Project
Suzuki, et al., *Ap.J.* (2011)

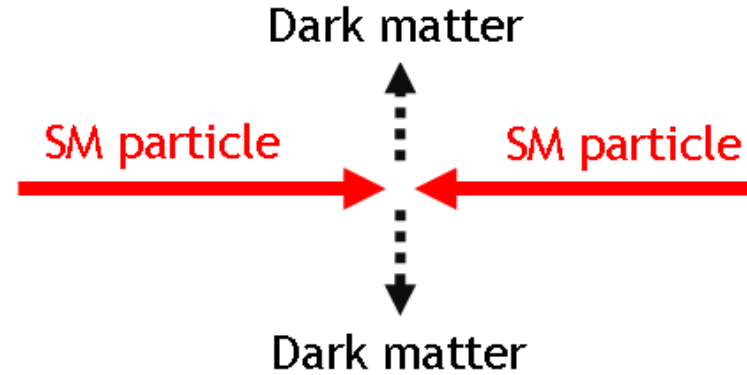


Detection of dark matter

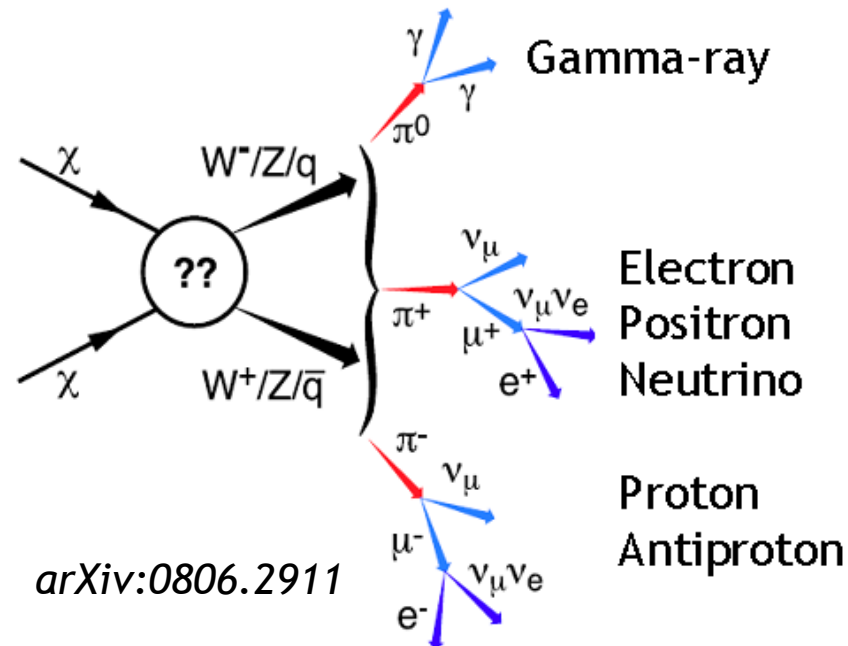
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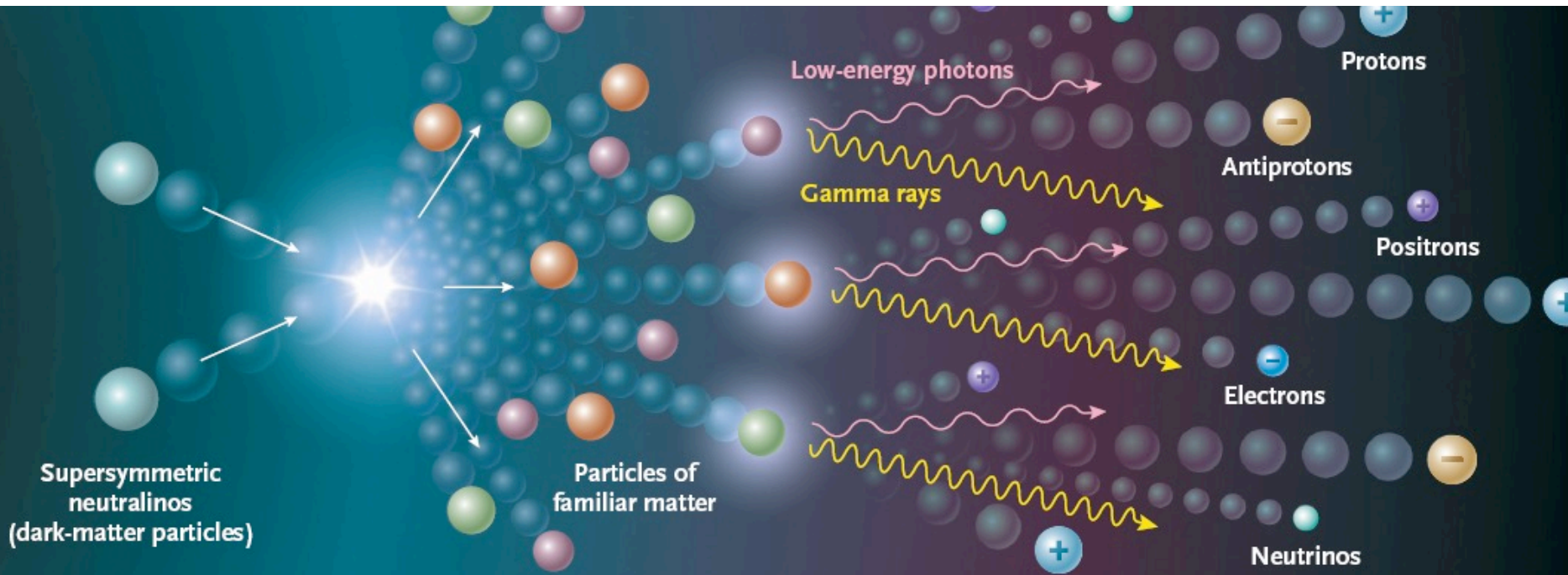
(b) Collider detection



(c) Indirect detection

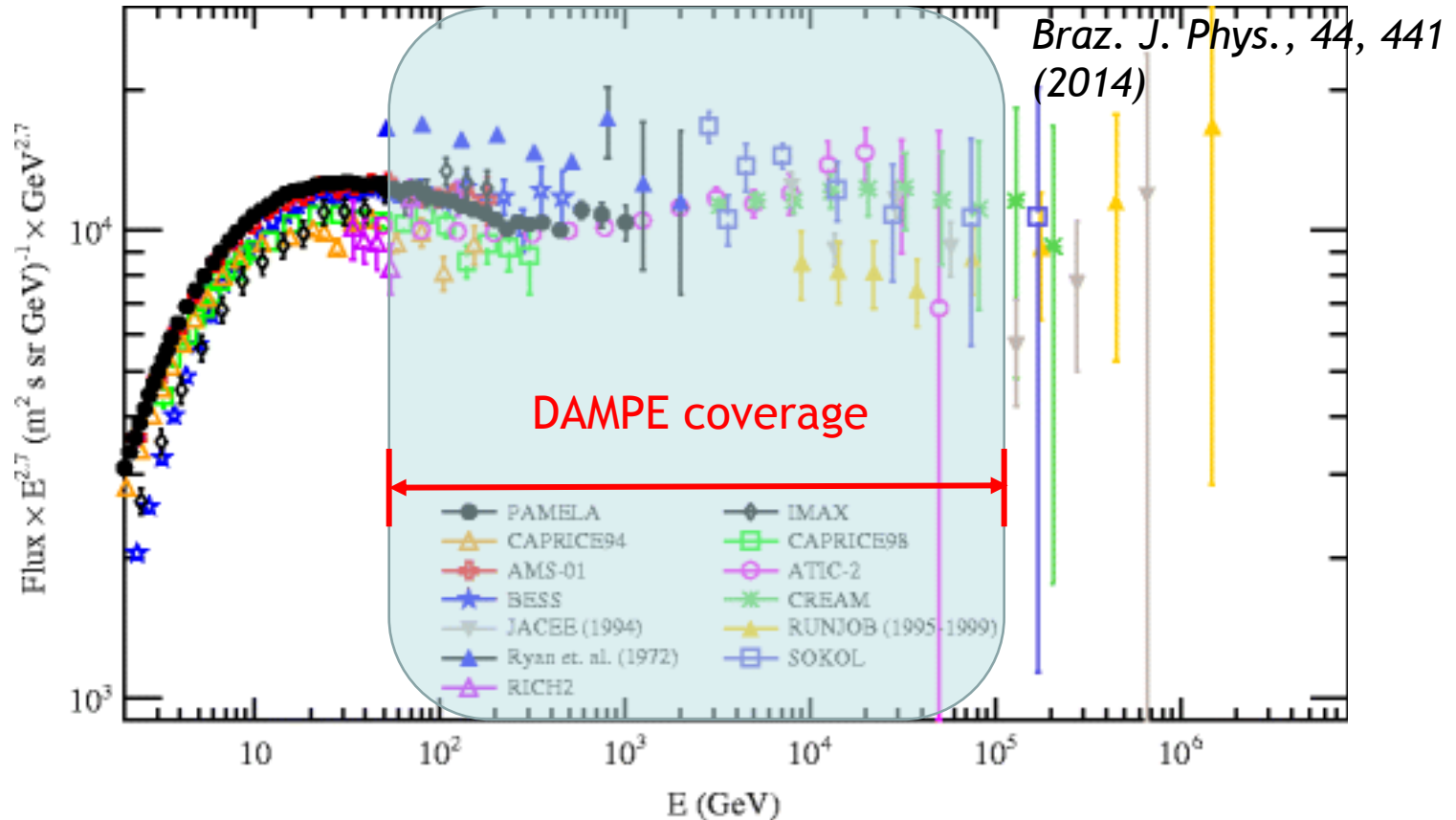


Indirect detection



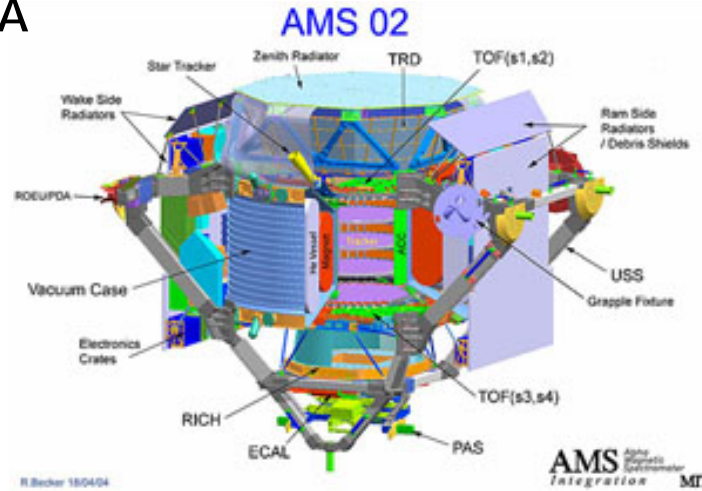
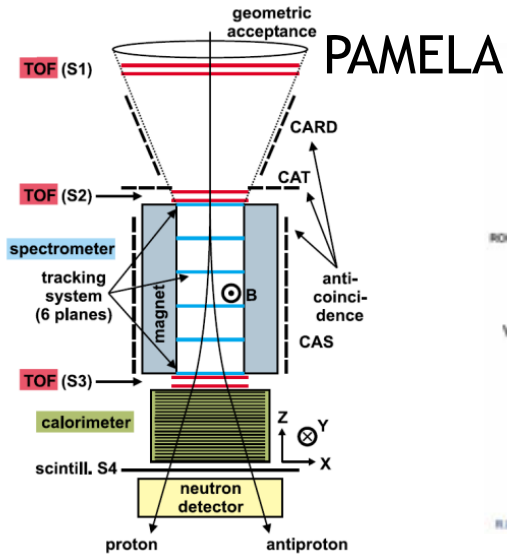
ANNIHILATING DARK MATTER According to supersymmetry theory, a type of weakly interacting massive particle (WIMP) known as the neutralino should be left over from the Big Bang. When two of these particles come very near each other, they annihilate and produce a shower of familiar particles, which quickly decay into other particles and photons. ATIC and PAMELA may have seen electrons and positrons from these decay events.

We need high energy resolution, high angular resolution, high statistics and low background cosmic ray electron/positron and gamma-ray experiments.

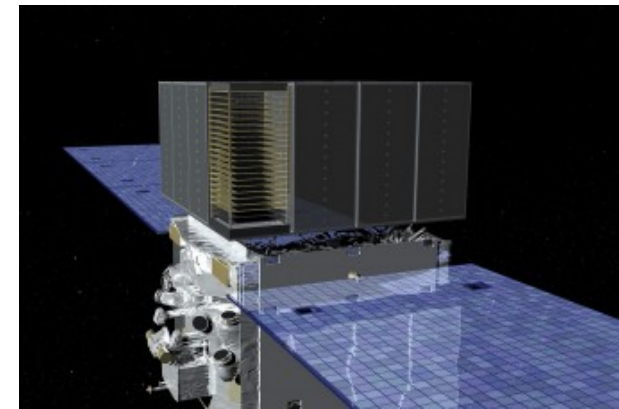


- Precision measurements of cosmic ray spectra: cosmic ray origin, acceleration, and propagation
- The spectra above TeV are not well measured due to limited statistics of direct detection experiments

Recent space particle/ γ detectors



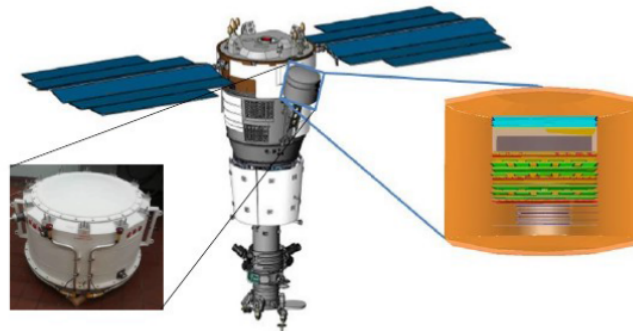
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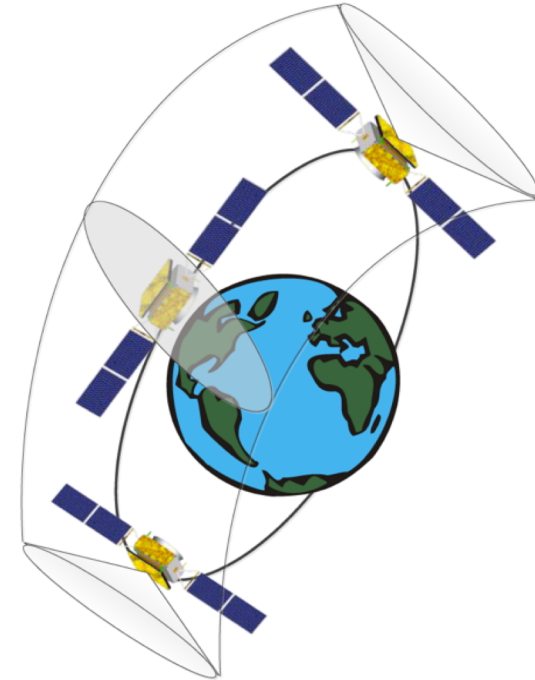


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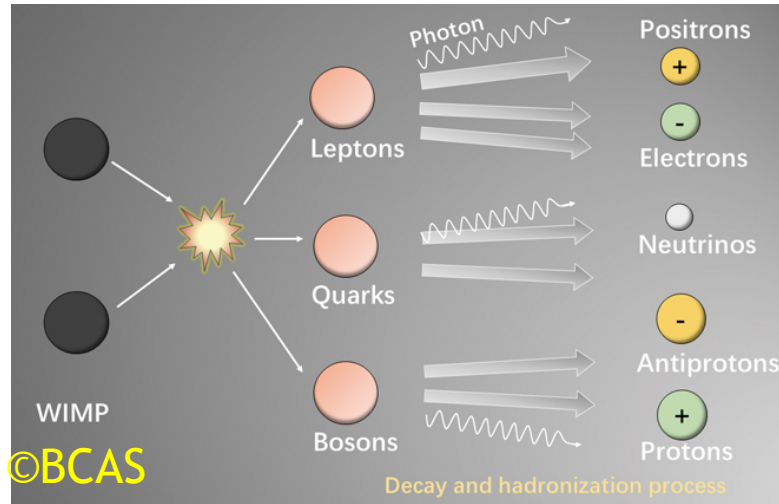
DAMPE Mission

DAMPE (“Wukong”) launched
on Dec. 17, 2015

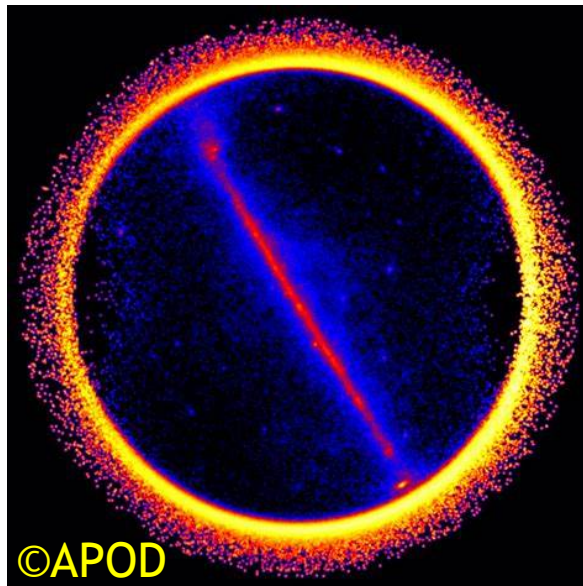


- Altitude: 500 km
- Inclination: 97.4°
- Period: 95 minutes
- Orbit: Sun-synchronous

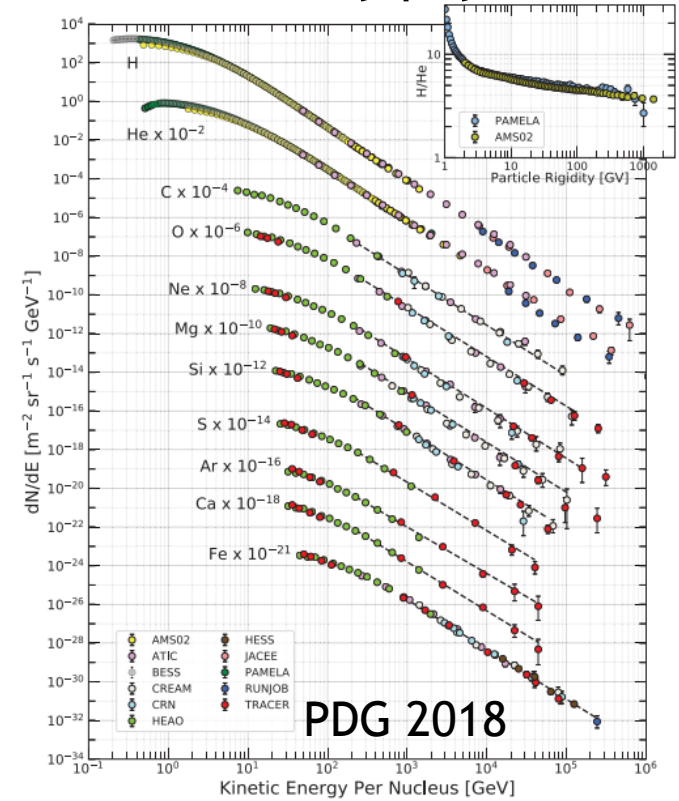
Scientific objectives



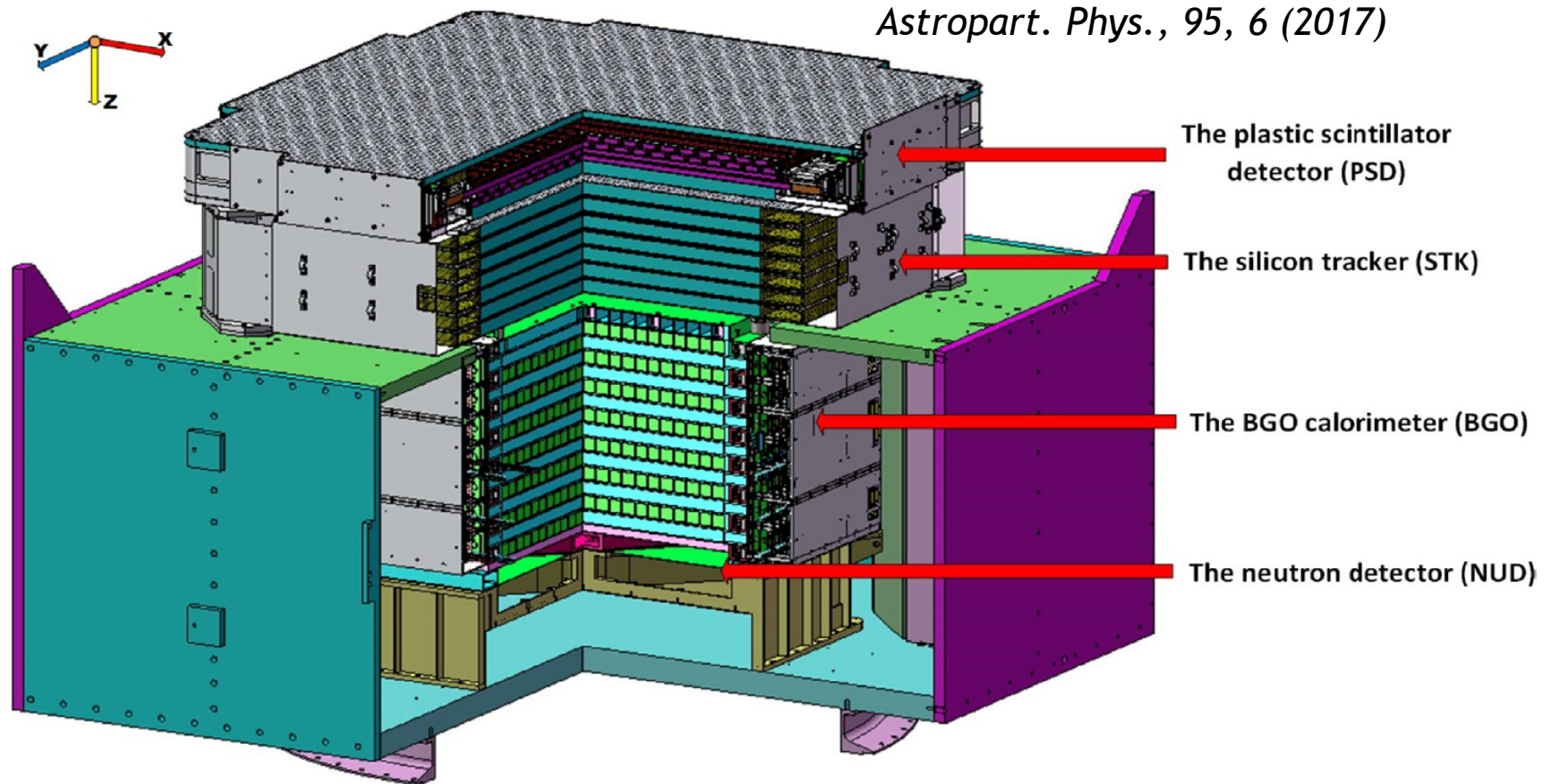
Indirect detection of dark matter



Cosmic ray physics

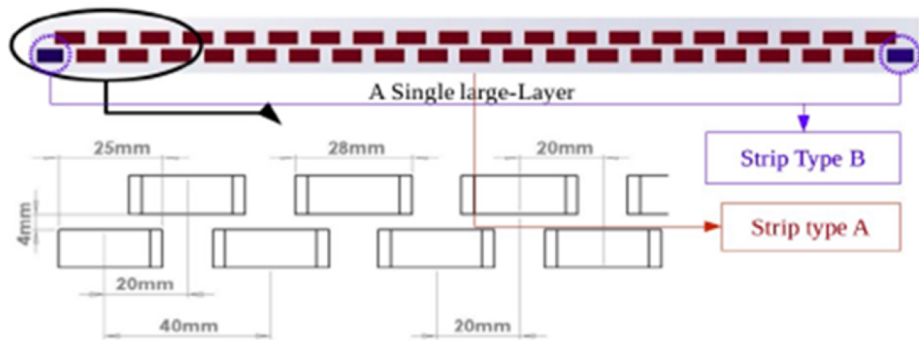
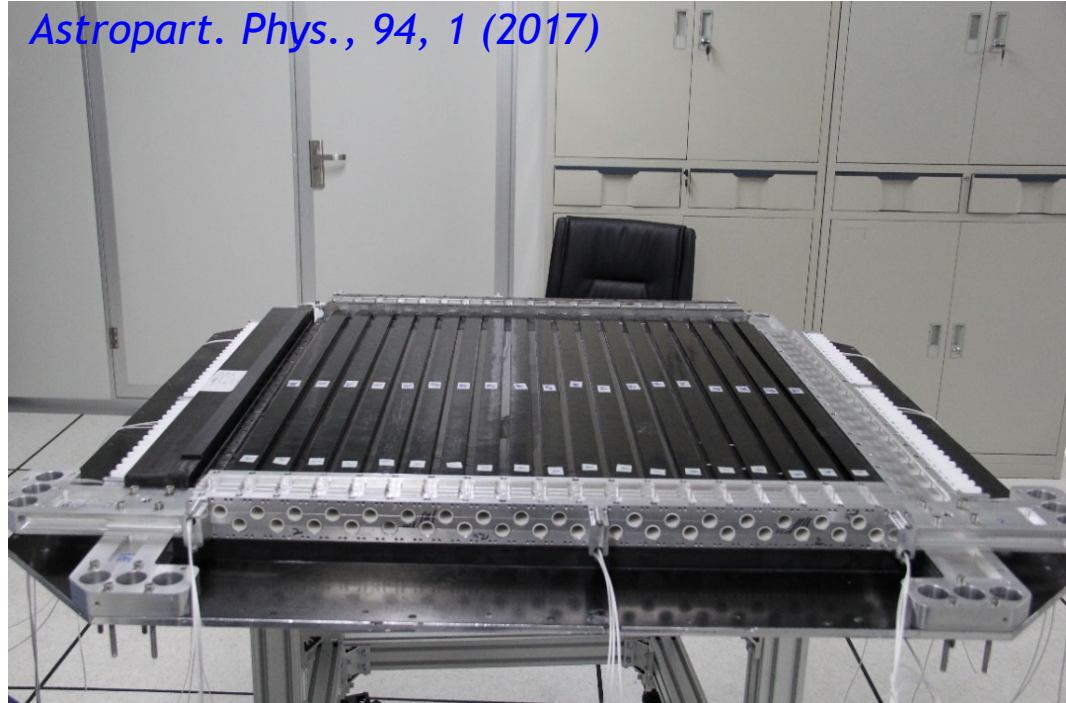
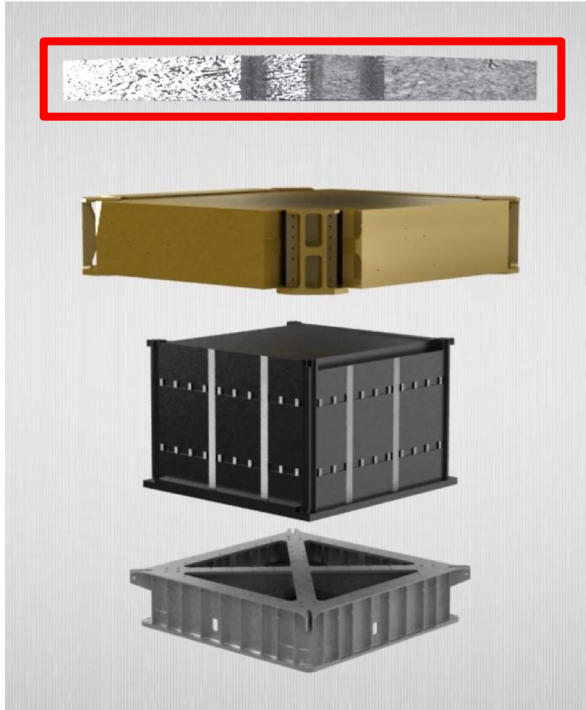


Gamma-ray astronomy



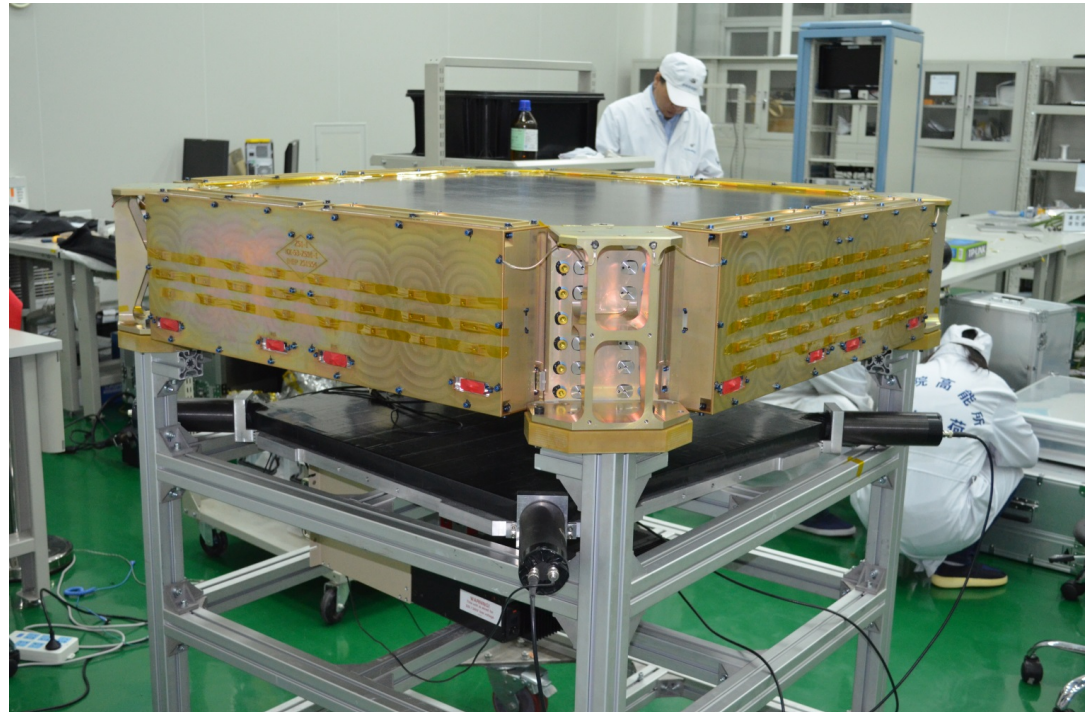
- PSD: charge measurement via dE/dx and ACD for photons
- STK: track, charge, and photon converter
- BGO: energy measurement, particle (e-p) identification
- NUD: Particle identification

PSD charge detector



- 2 layers (x,y) of 88.4 cm × 2.8 cm × 1 cm
- Active area: 82 cm × 82 cm
- Weight : ~103 kg
- Power: ~ 8.5 W

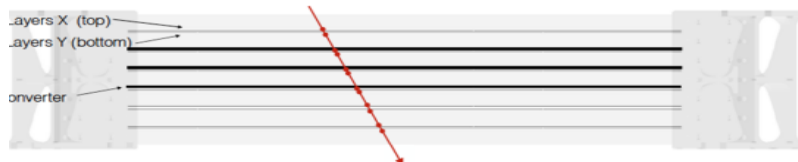
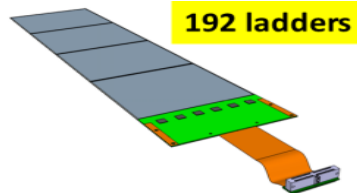
Silicon tracker (STK)



768 silicon sensors
95 x 95 x 0.32 mm³

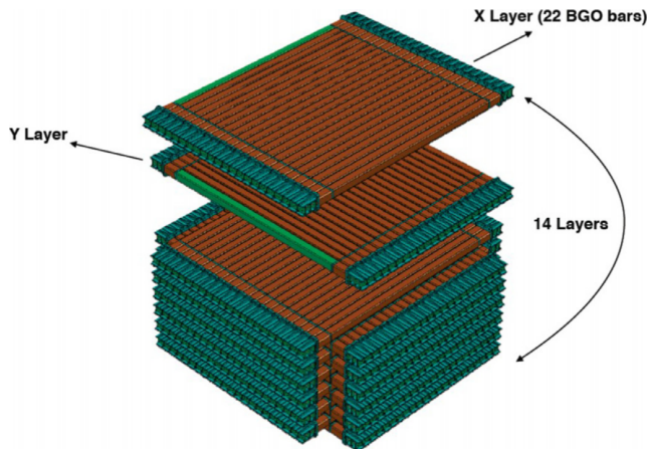
1,152 ASICs

73,728 channels



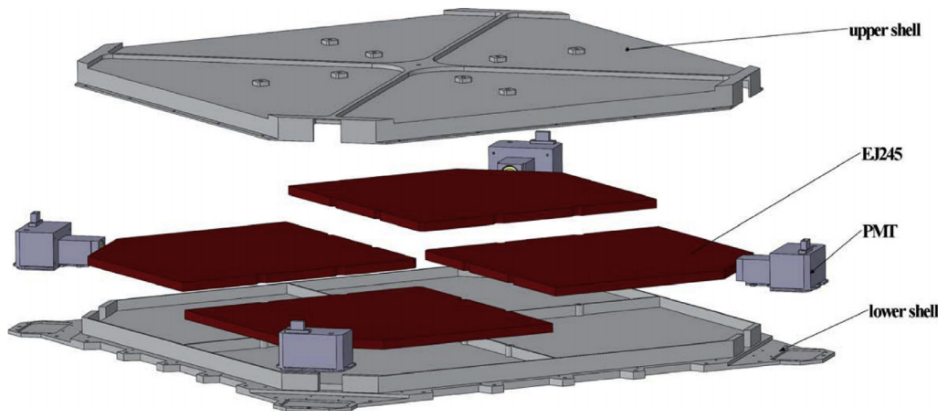
- Detection area: 76 cm x 76 cm
- Total weight: ~154 kg
- Total power consumption: ~82W
- Three 1 mm tungsten plates for photon conversion (0.86 X₀)

BGO calorimeter



- Outer envelop: 100 cm x 100 cm x 50 cm
- Detection area: 60 cm x 60 cm
- Total weight: ~1052 kg
- Total power consumption: ~ 41.6 W

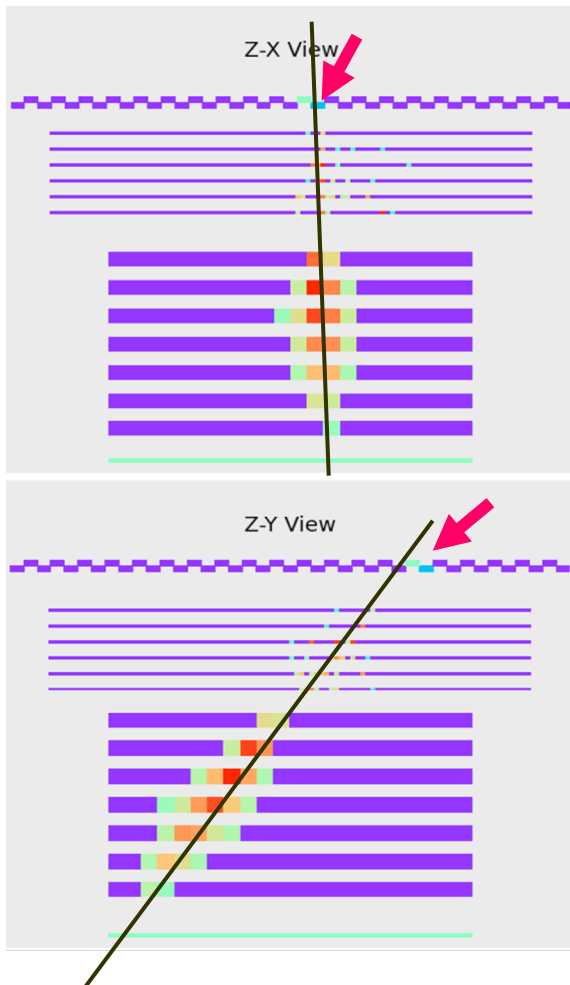
NUD neutron detector



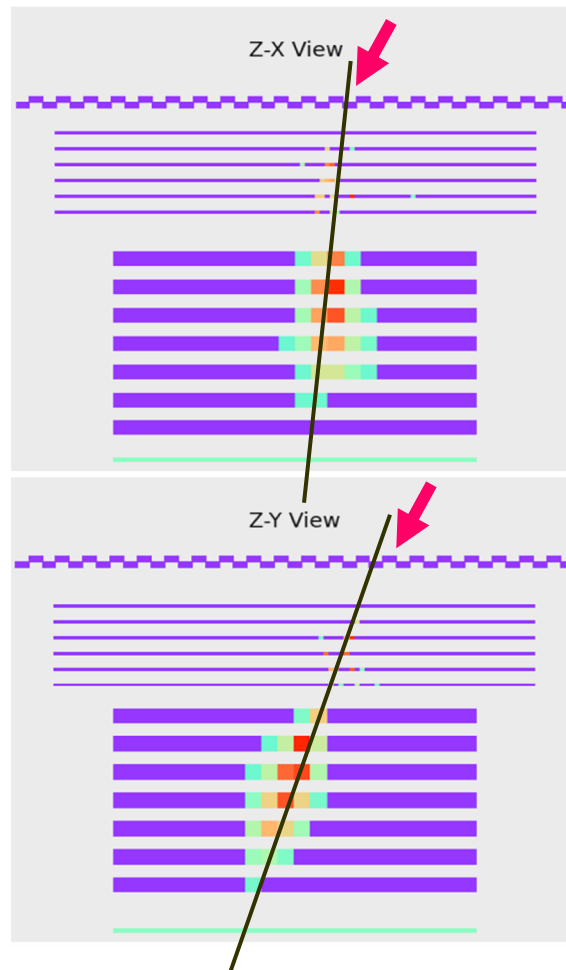
- $n + {}^{10}\text{B} \rightarrow \alpha + {}^7\text{Li} + \gamma$
- 4 plastic scintillators
- Active area: 60 cm x 60 cm
- Total weight: ~12 kg
- Total power: ~ 0.5 W

Particle identification

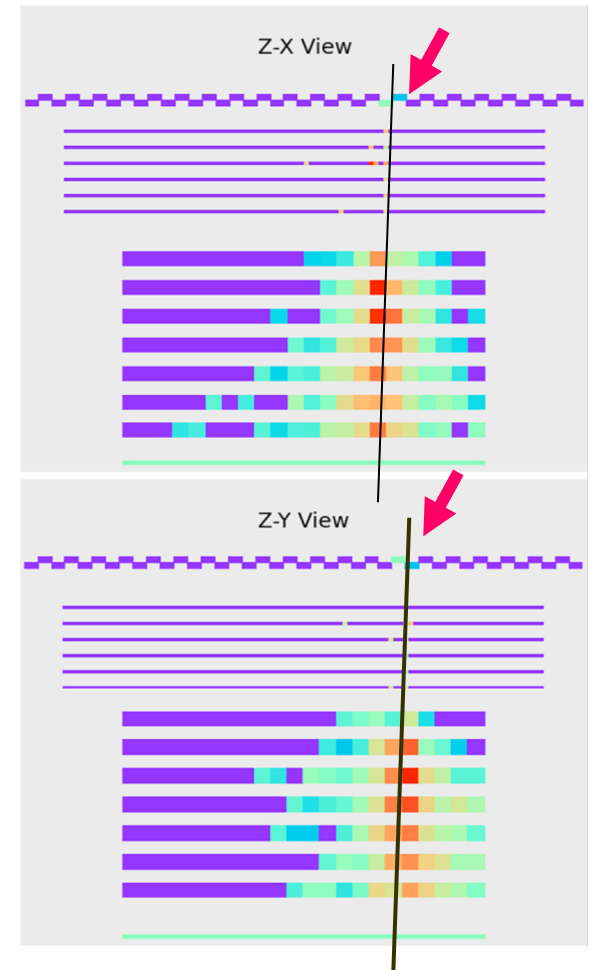
electron



gamma



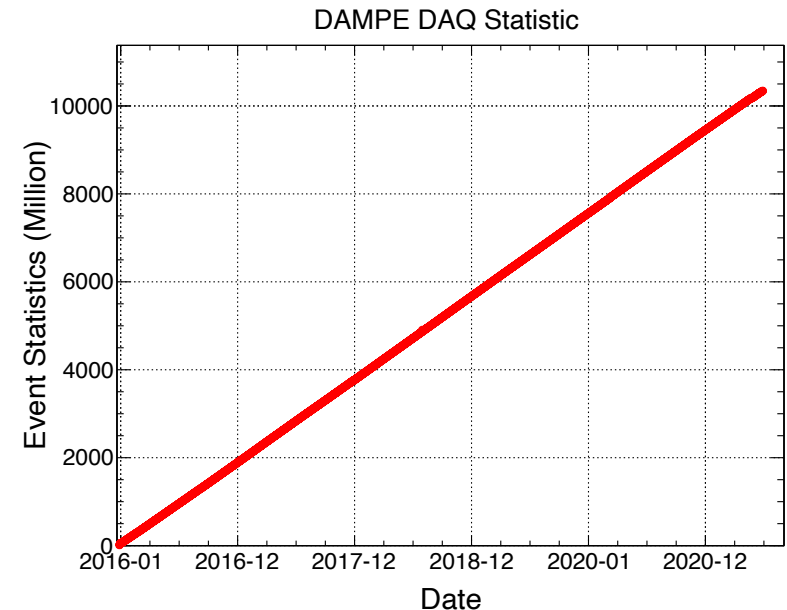
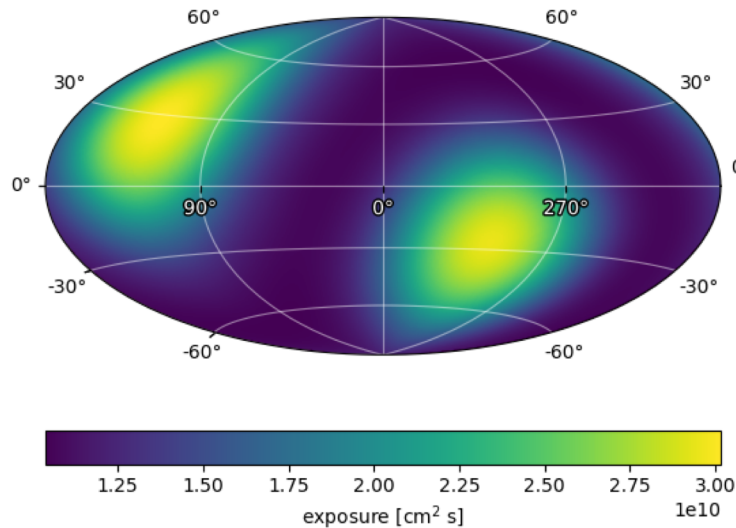
proton



On-orbit Status

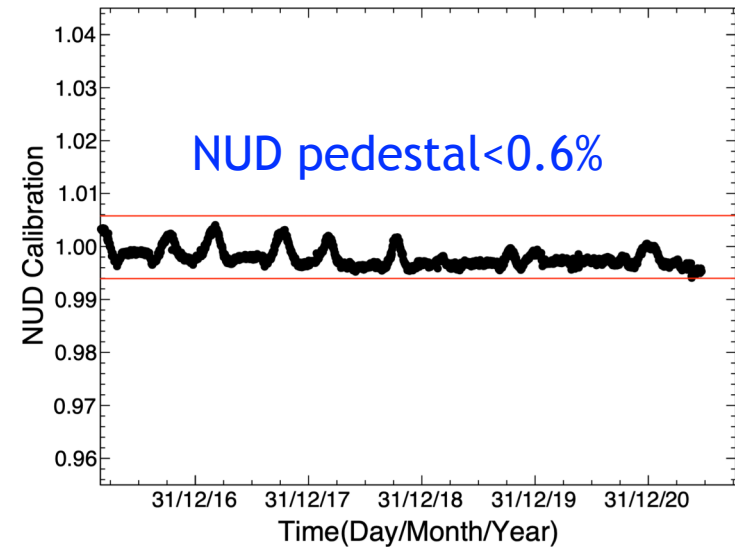
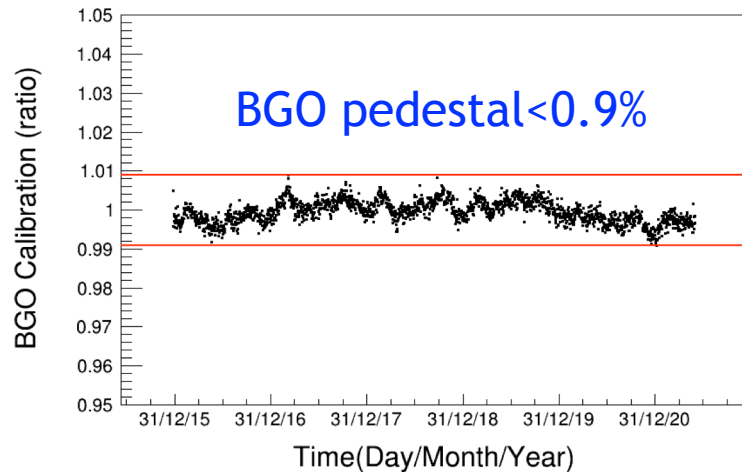
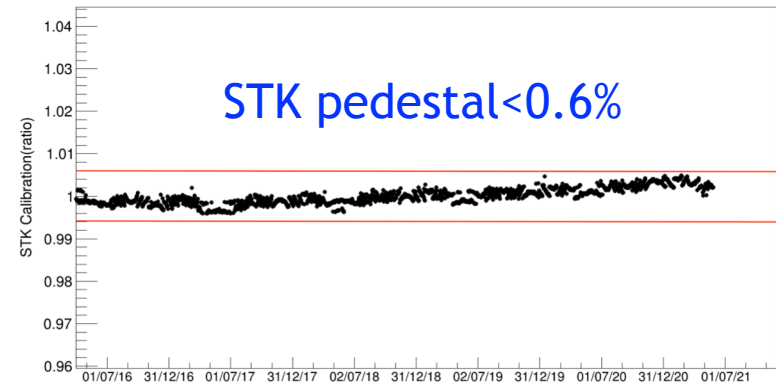
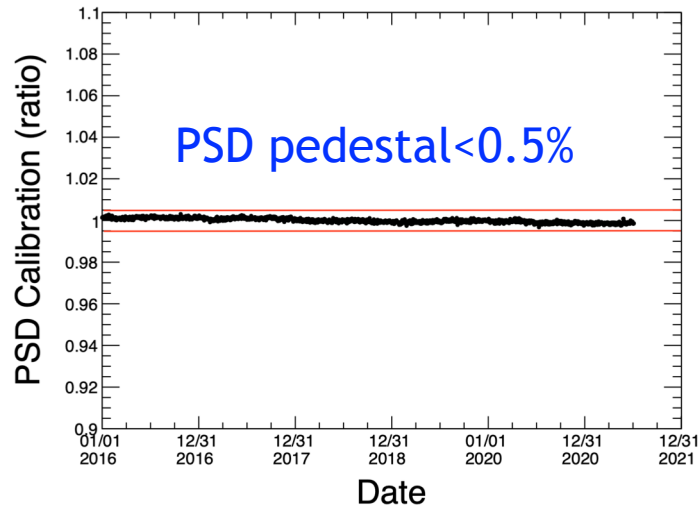
DAMPE 5.5 year exposure map

>10 billion events



Since the launch on Dec. 17, 2015, DAMPE has operated on-orbit for 5.5 years, surveyed the sky for 11 times, and recorded more than 10 billion events

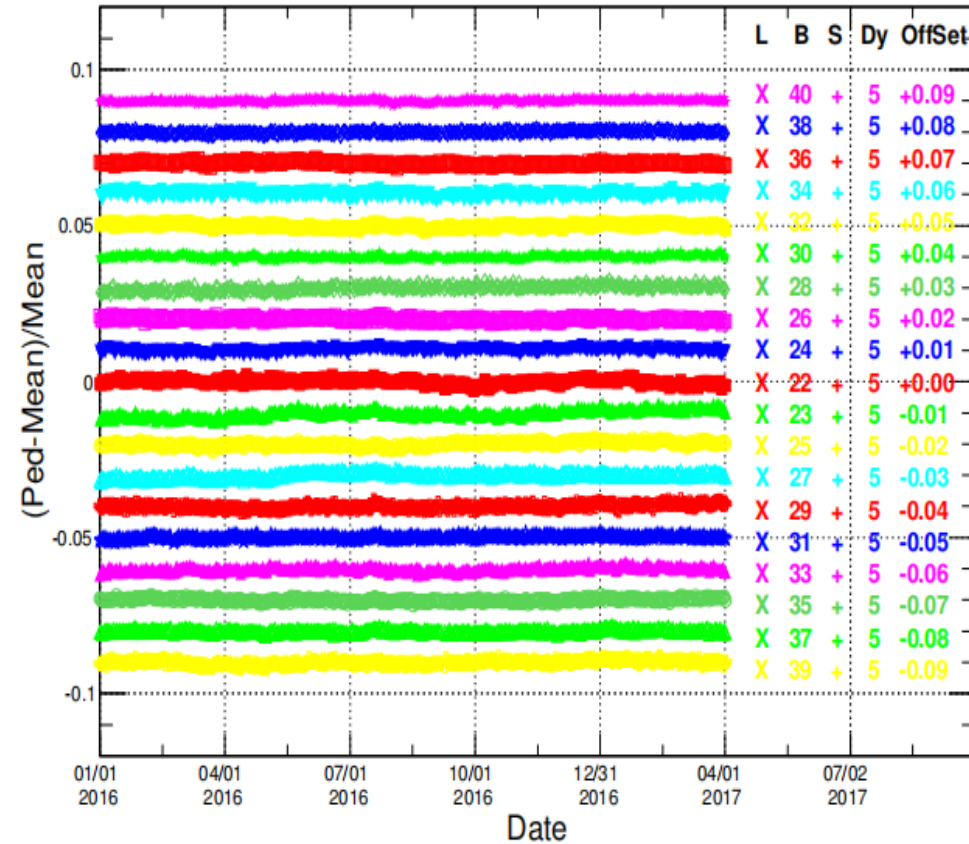
Detector stability



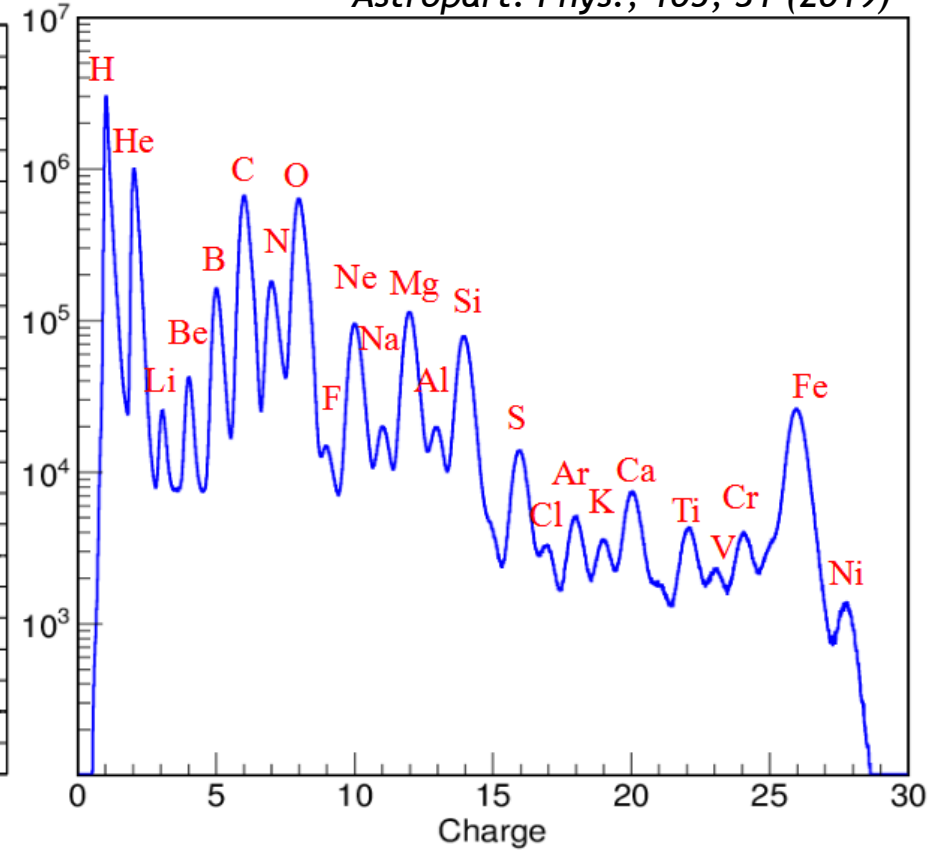
Status: charge

Res. Astron. Astrophys., 19, 47 (2019)

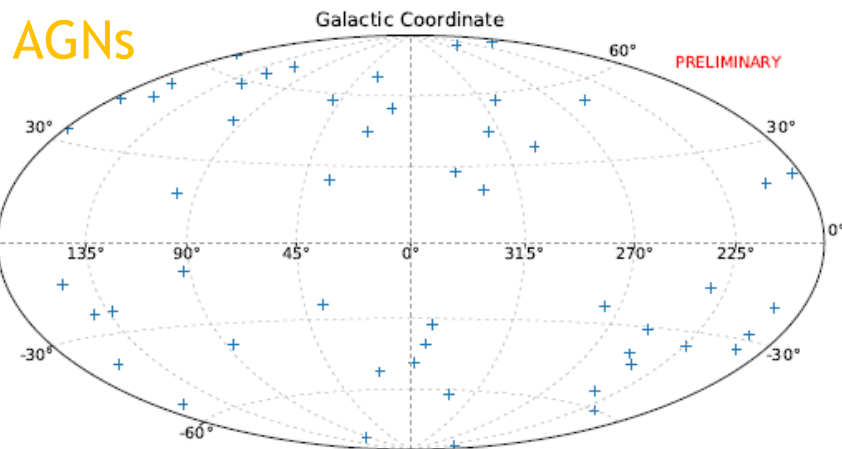
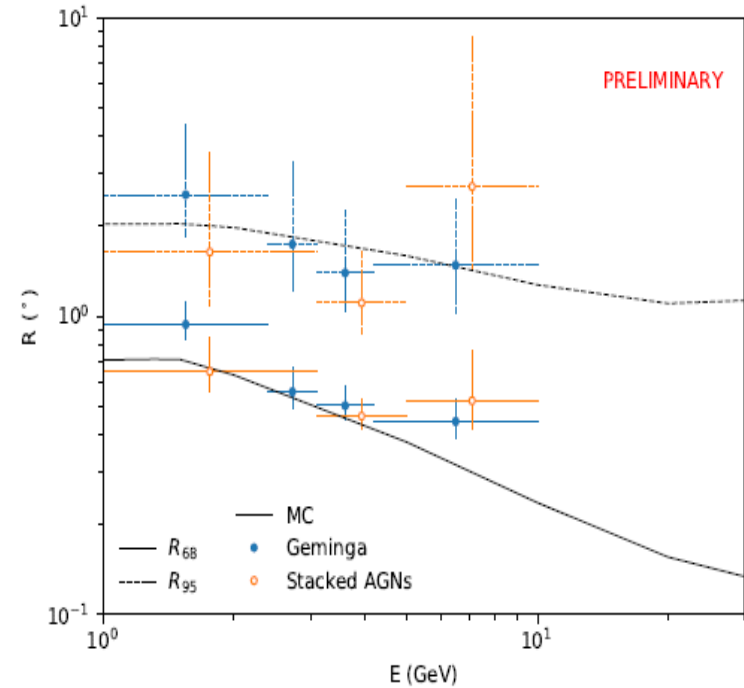
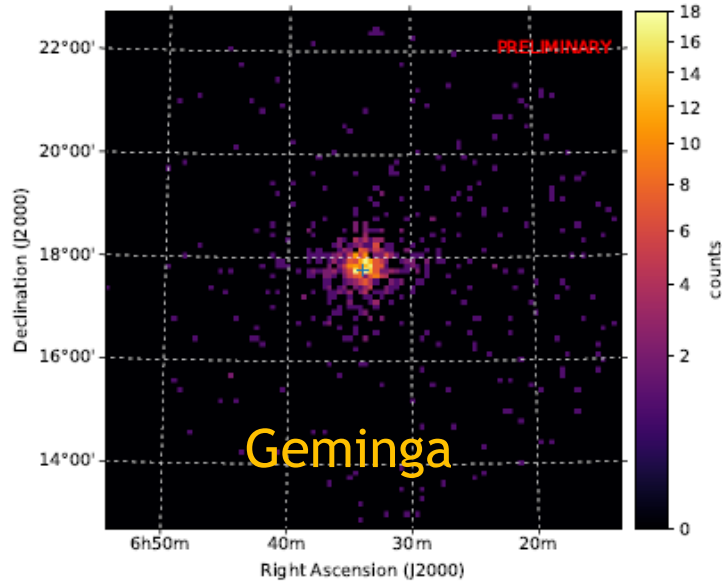
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Pedstal stability



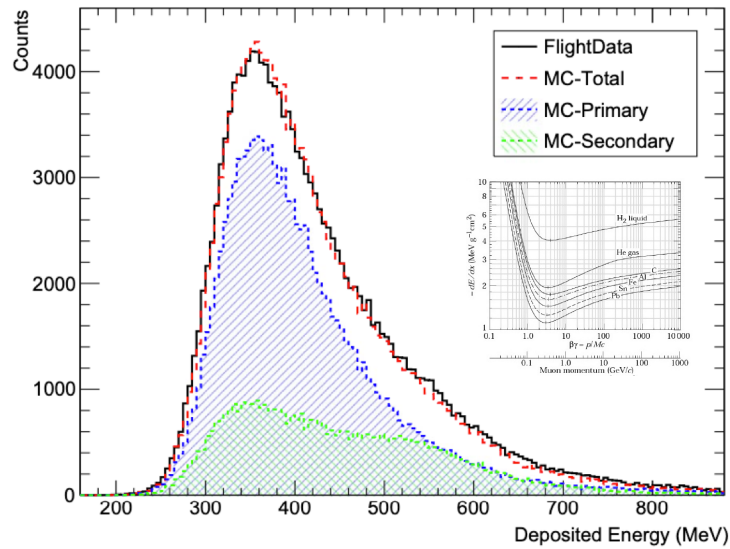
Charge measurements



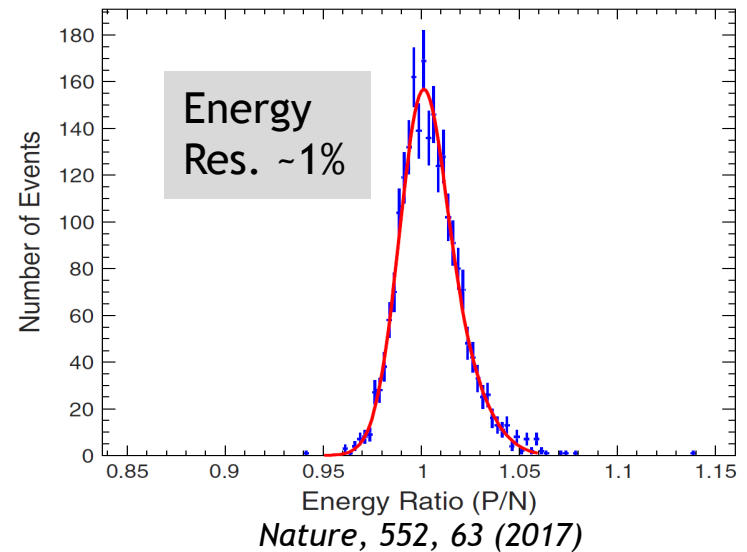
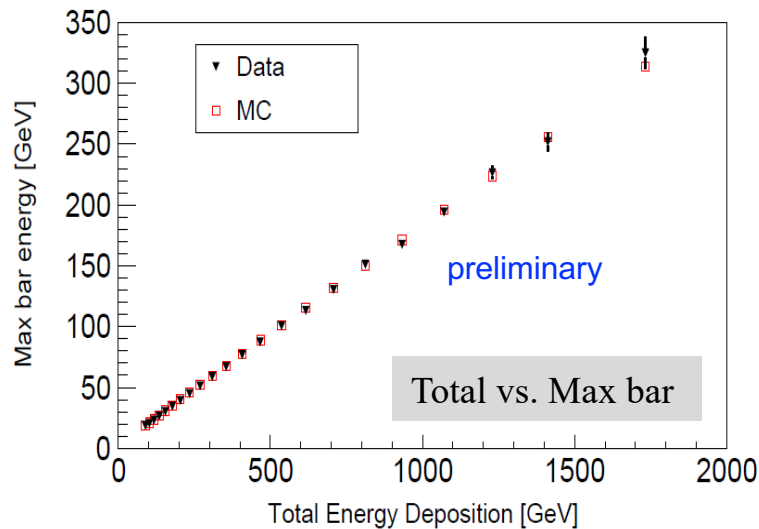
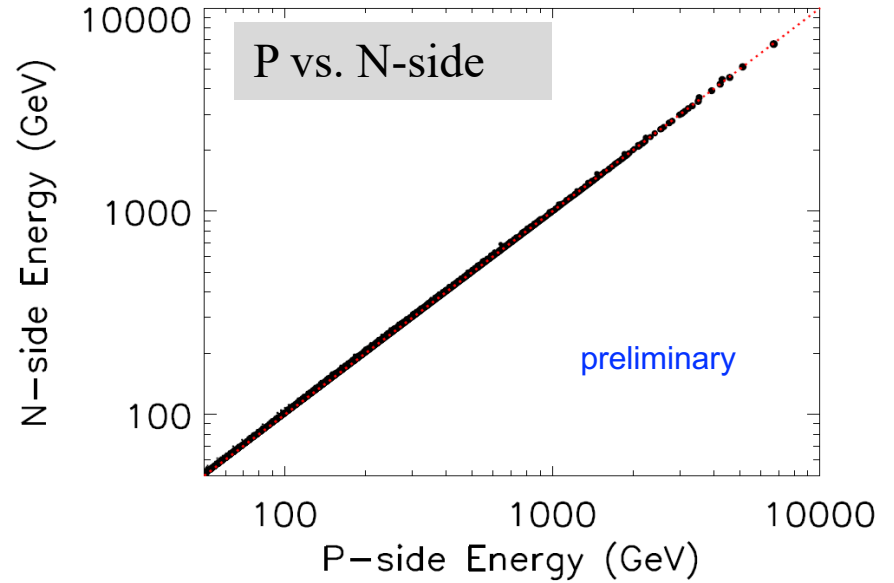
Angular resolution calibrated with photons from pulsars and stacked AGNs gives ~ 0.5 degrees @ 5 GeV

Status: energy

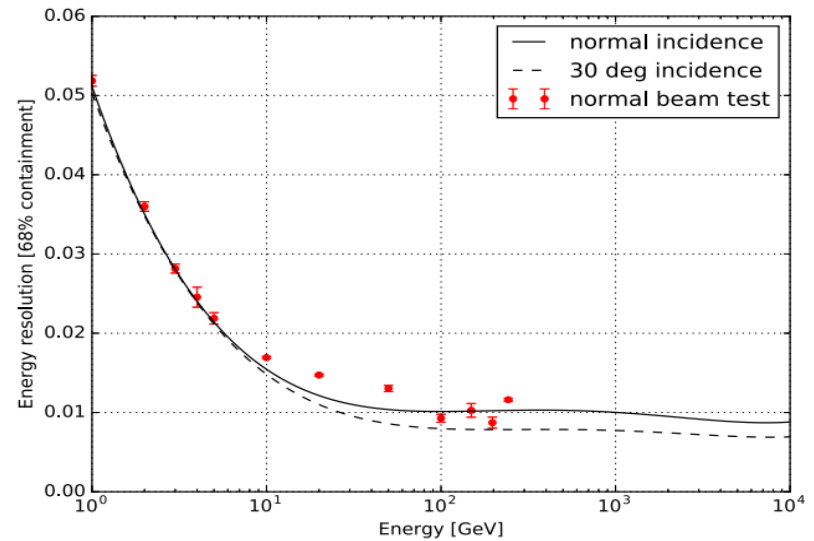
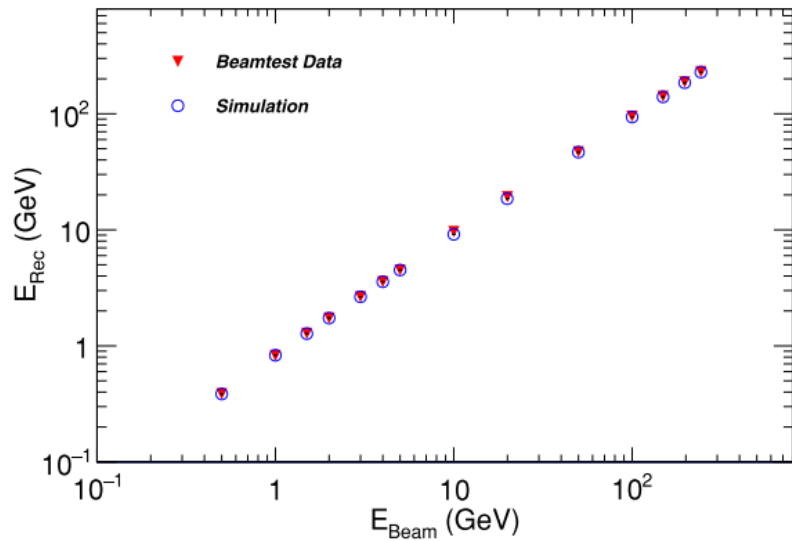
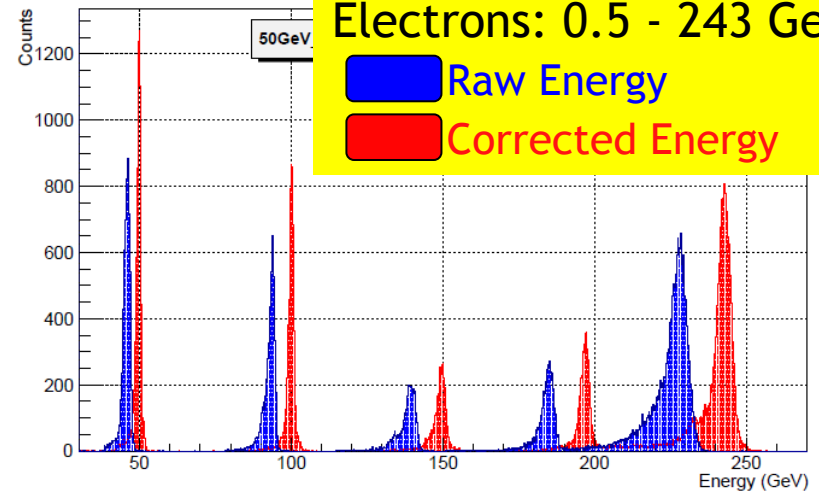
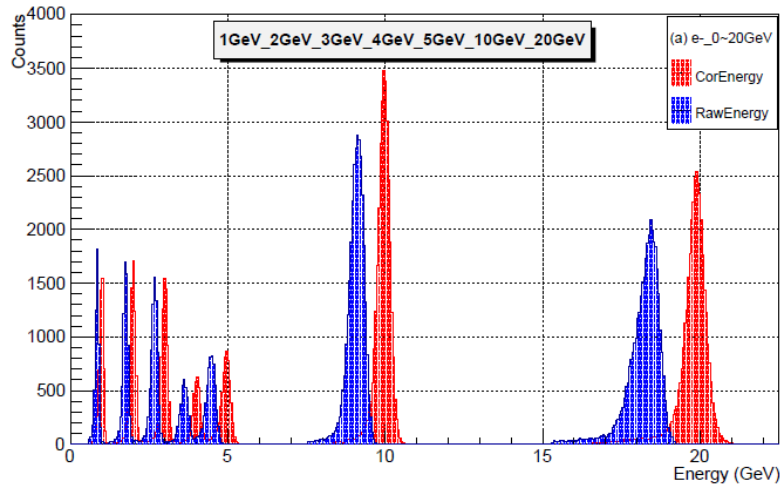
Proton Mips Spectrum



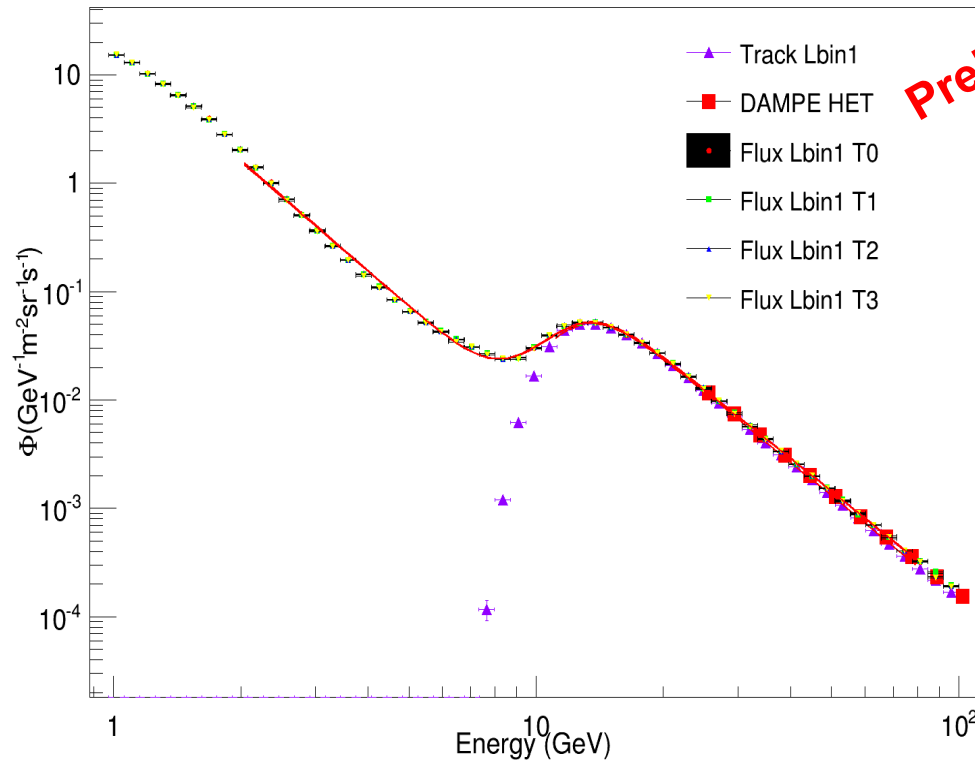
NIMA, 856, 11 (2017)



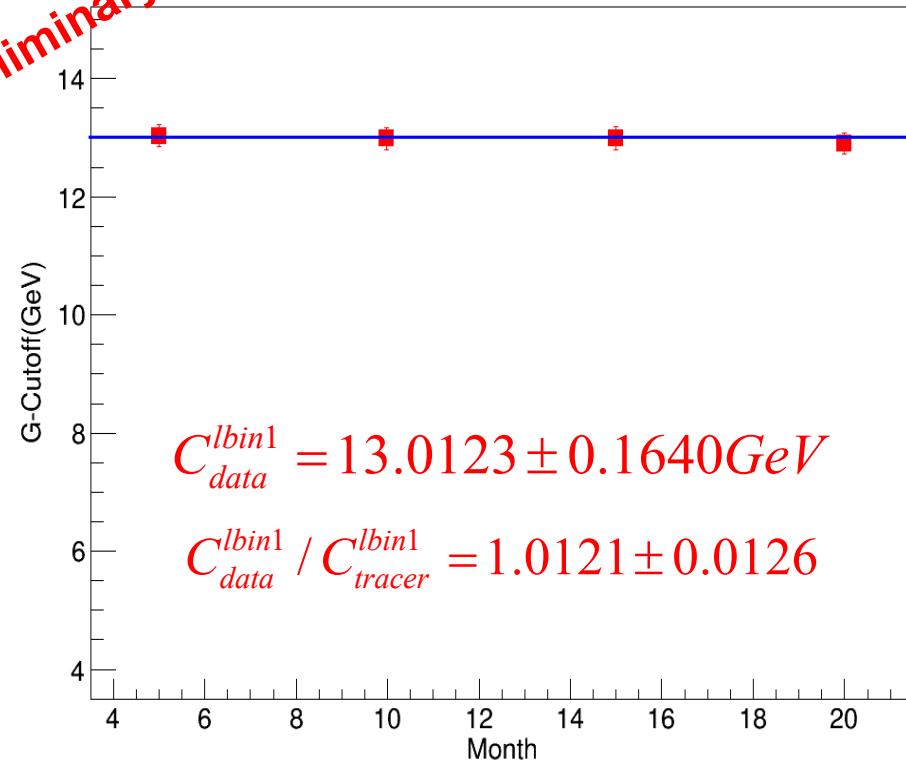
Test beam validation of energy measurement



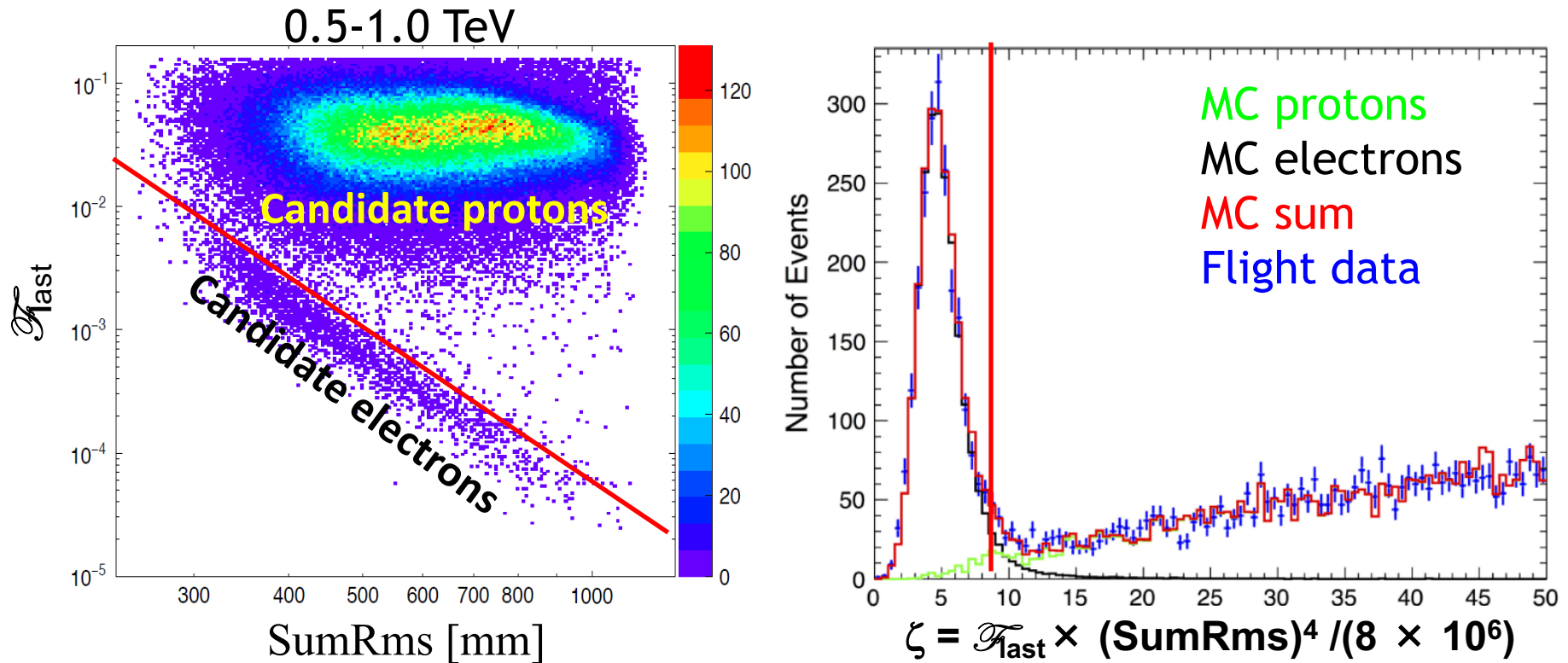
Absolute energy scale



Preliminary

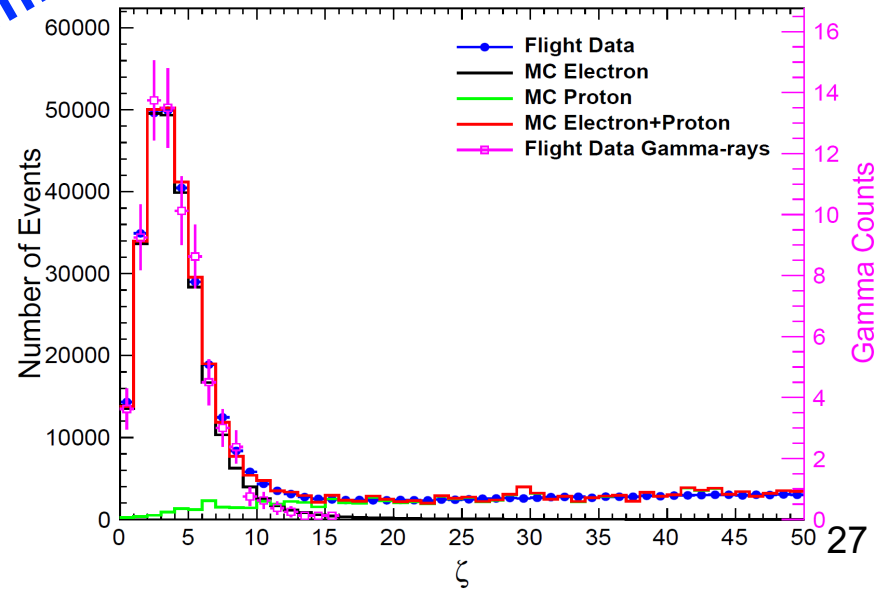
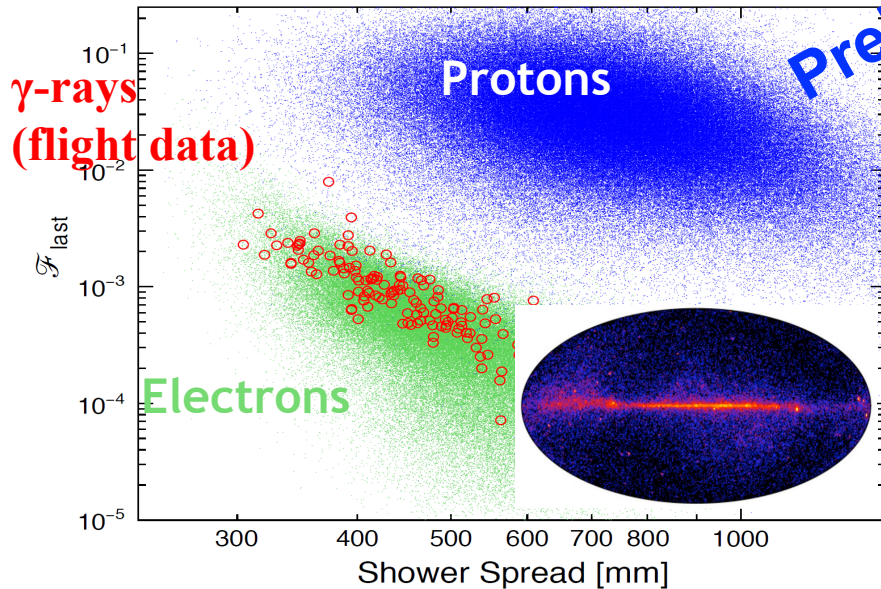
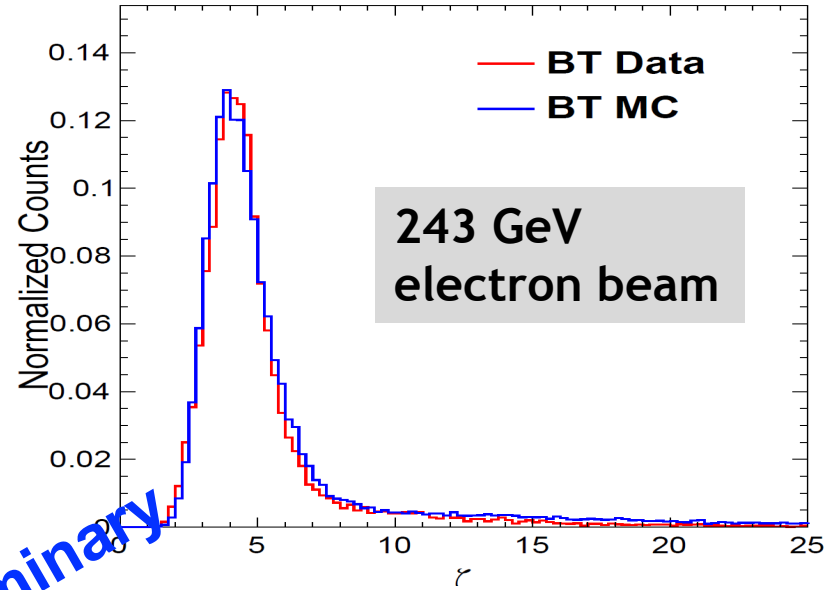
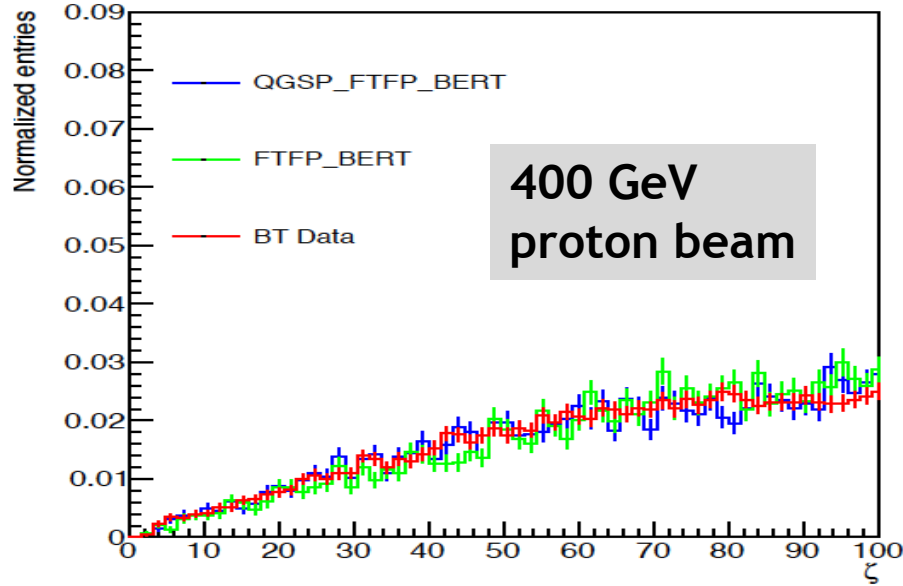


- An energy scale higher by $(1.2 \pm 1.3)\%$ from the geomagnetic cutoff
- Cutoff energy is stable with time (a slight decrease due to solar modulation)



- DAMPE uses lateral (**SumRMS**) and longitudinal (**energy ratio in last layer**) developments of showers to discriminate electrons from protons
- For 90% electron efficiency, proton background is ~2% @ TeV, ~5% @ 2 TeV, ~10% @ 5 TeV

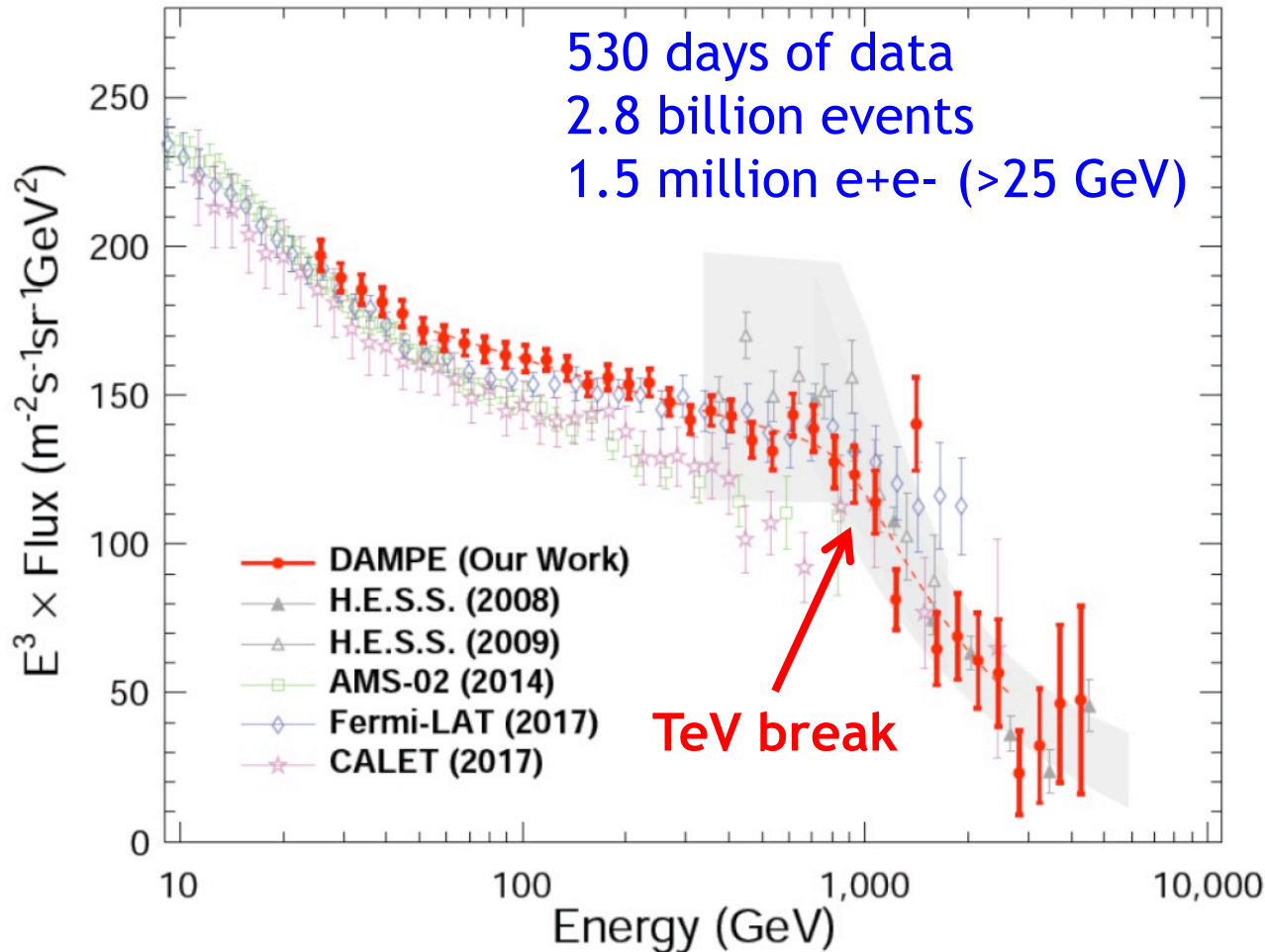
Validation of particle ID



Preliminary

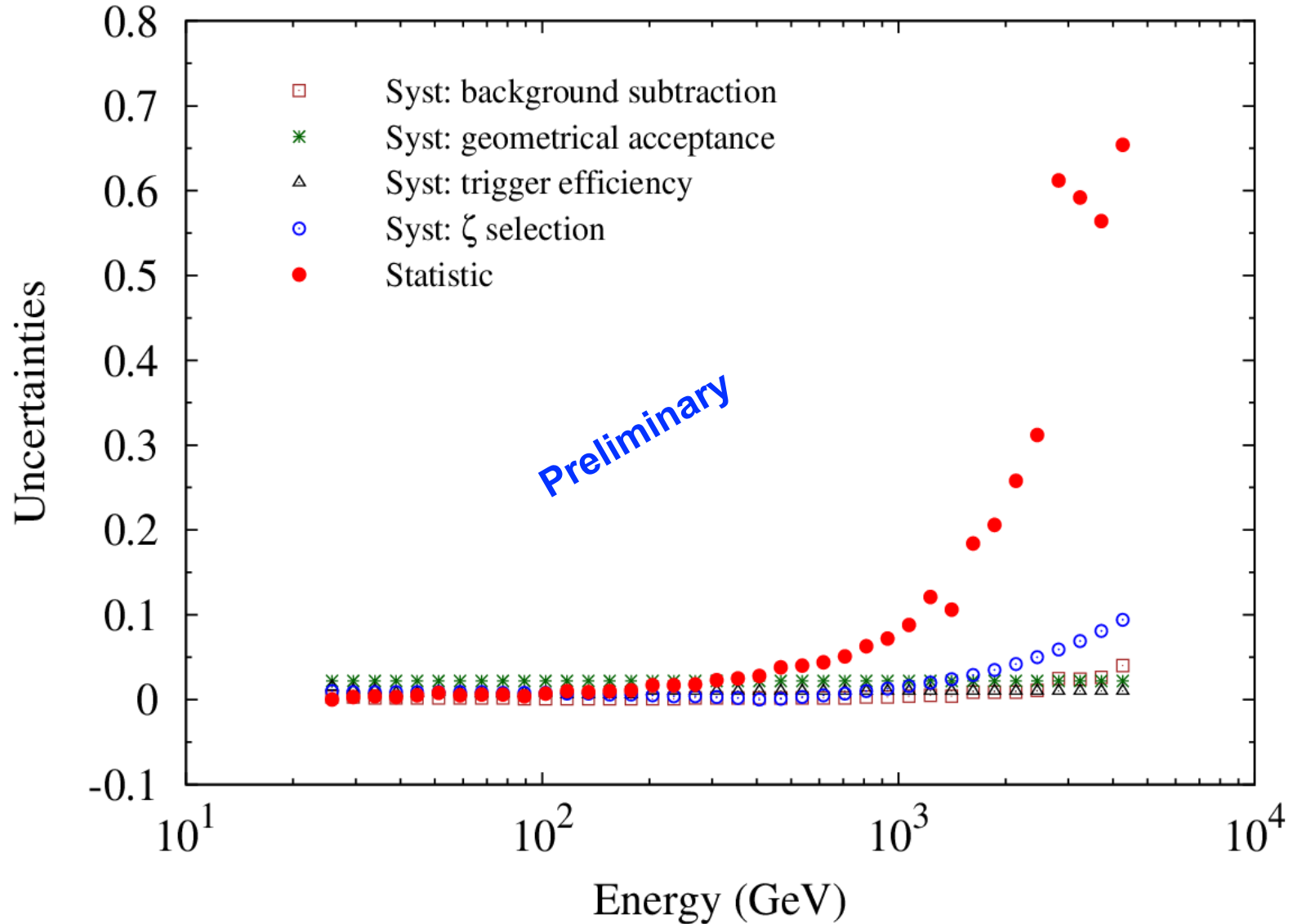
Physical Results

Results: e^+e^- spectrum



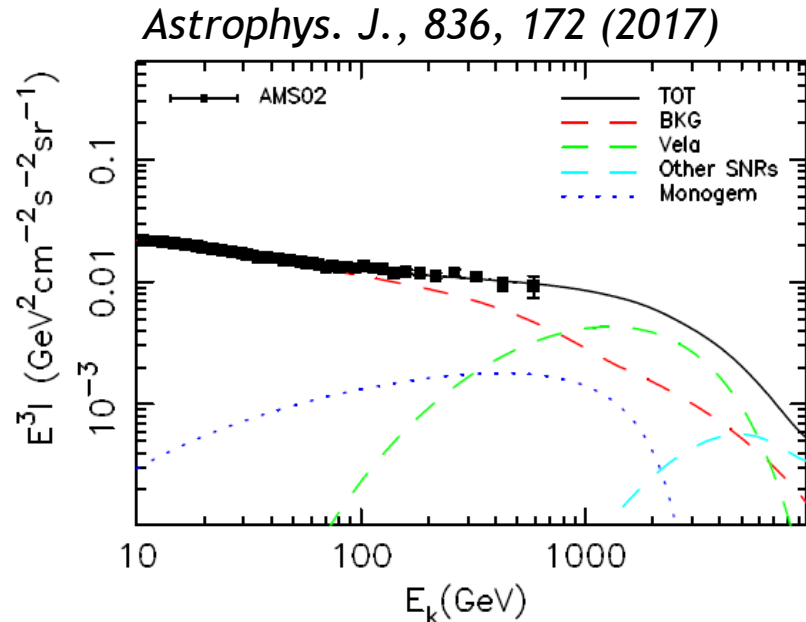
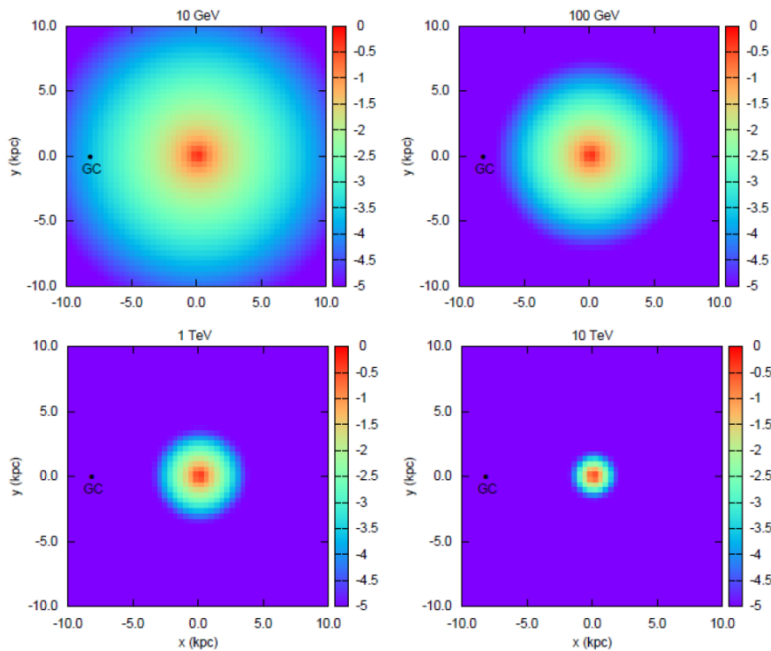
- Three different PID methods give very consistent results on event-by-event level
- Direct detection of a spectral break at ~ 1 TeV with 6.6σ confidence level
- Analysis with new data is on-going

Errors of e^+e^- spectrum



Implication of the spectral softening: discreteness of source distributions?

- Cooling time of TeV electrons \sim Myr, effective propagation range \sim kpc
- Assuming a total SN rate of 0.01 per year, the total number of SNRs within the effective volume and cooling time is $O(10)$



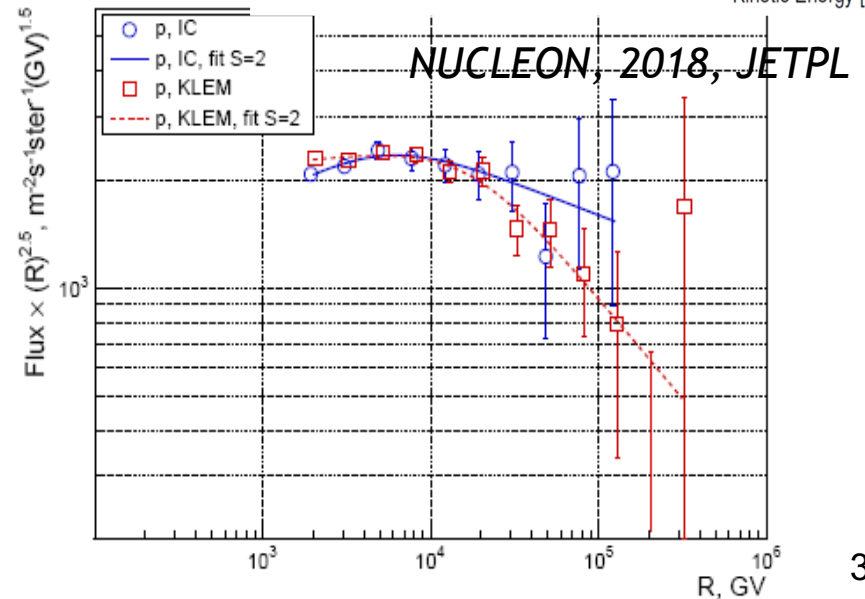
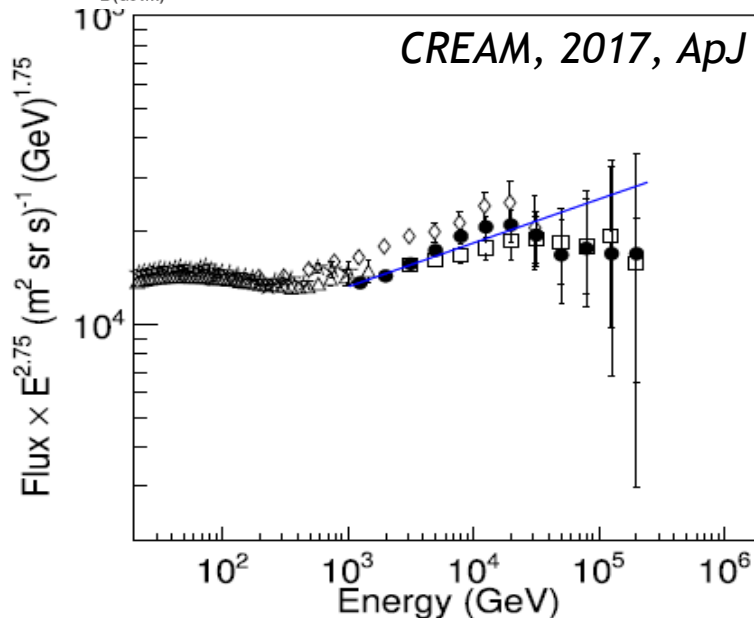
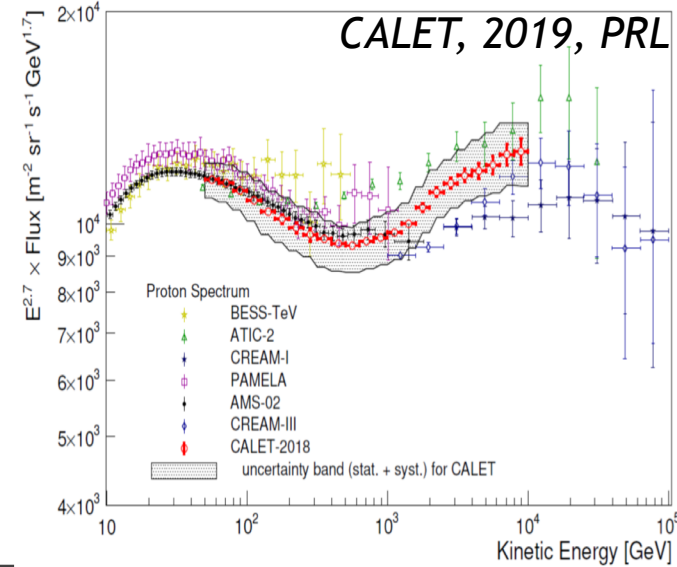
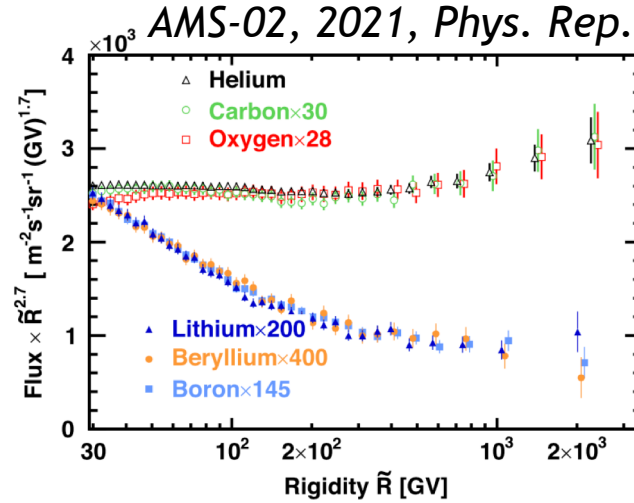
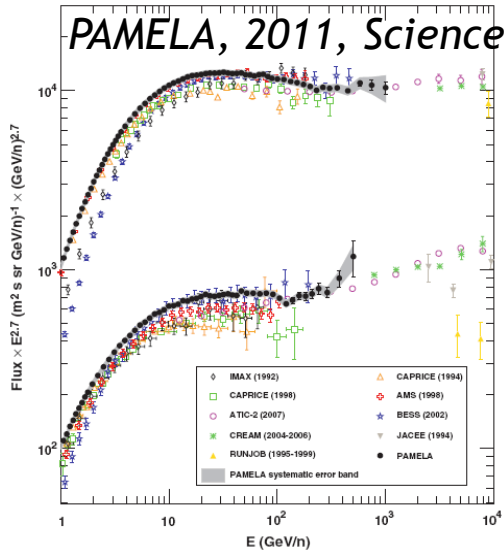
Fang et al. (2017)

Di Mauro et al. (2017)

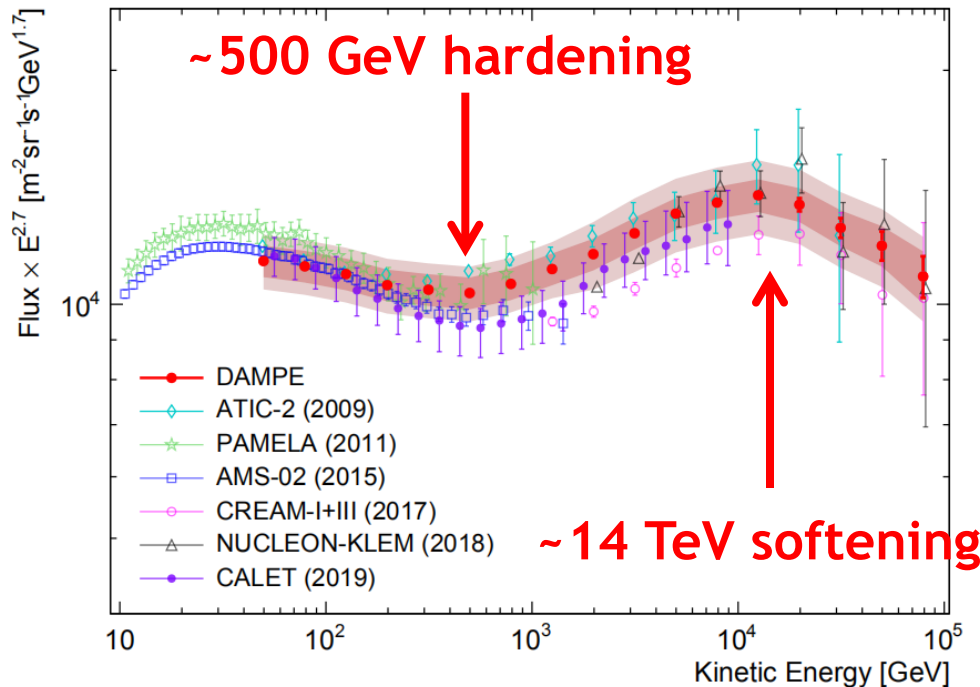
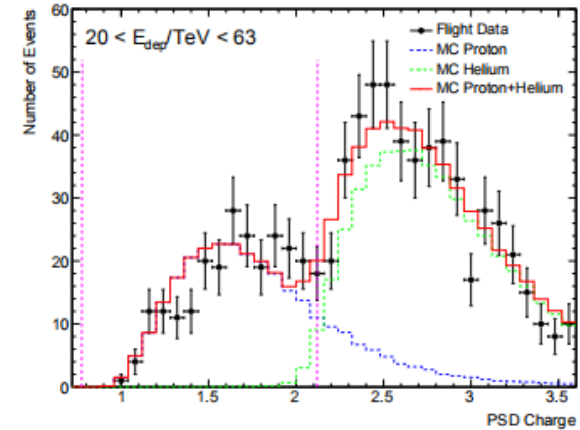
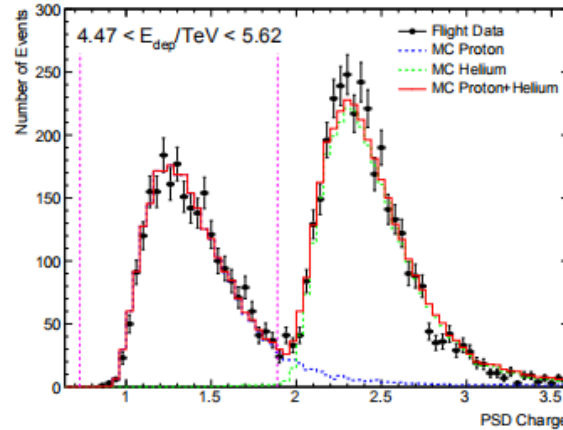
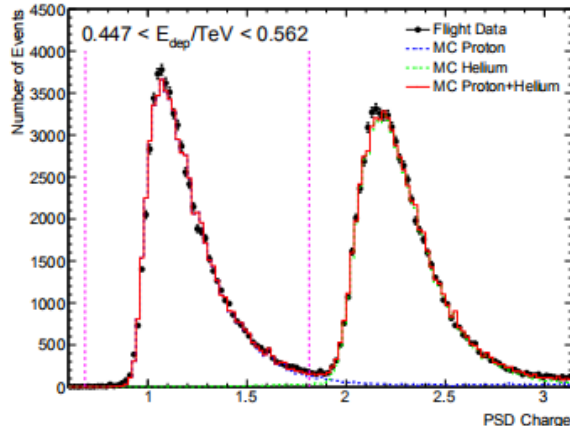
Manconi et al. (2019)

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Spectral structures of nuclei



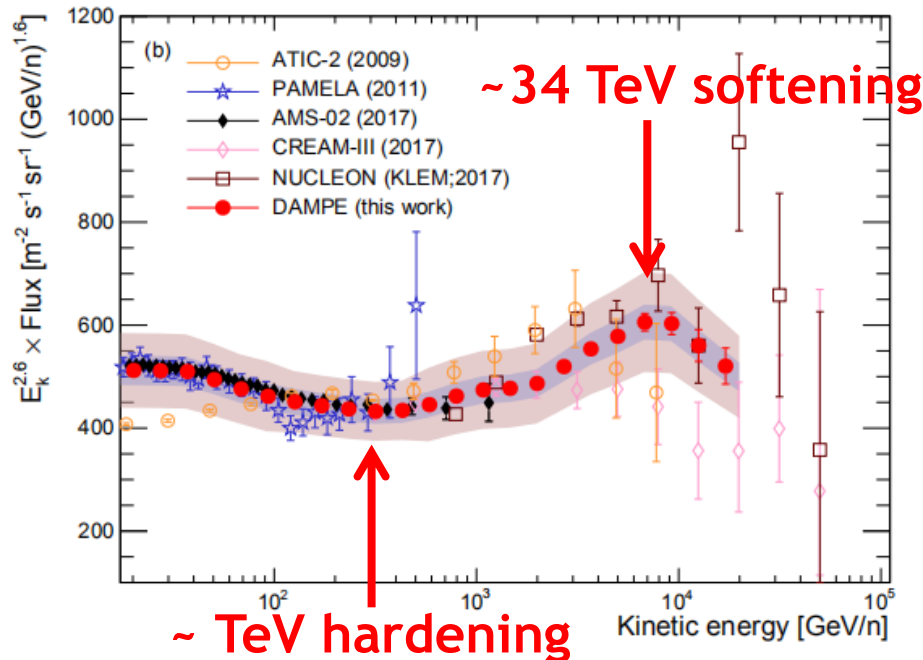
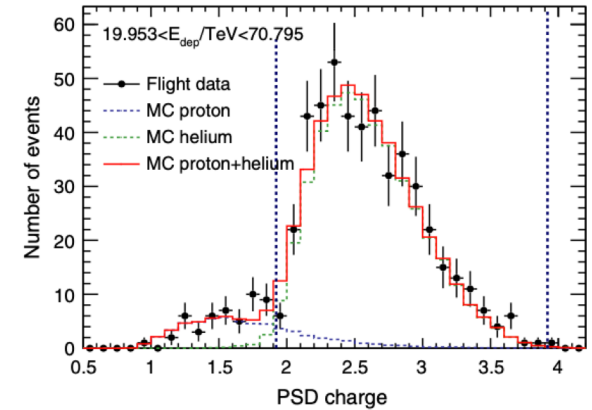
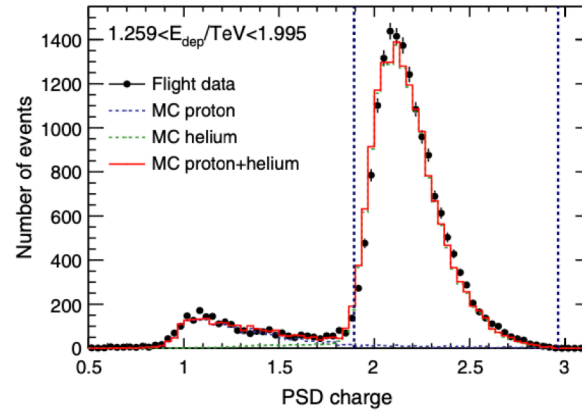
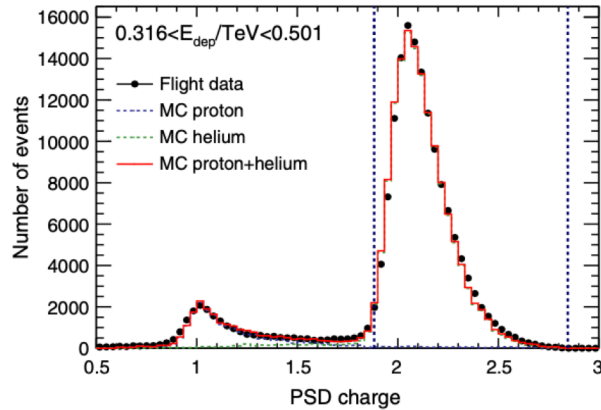
Results: proton spectrum



- Confirms the hundreds of GeV hardening
- Detecting a softening at ~14 TeV with high significance

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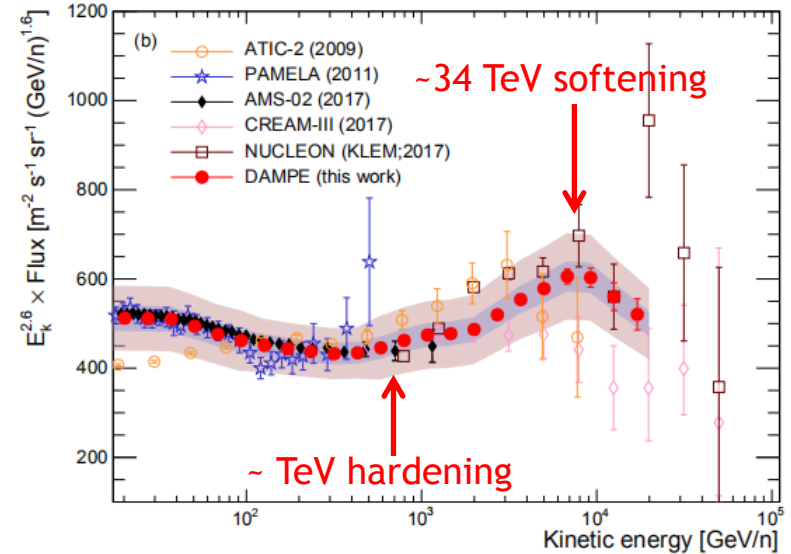
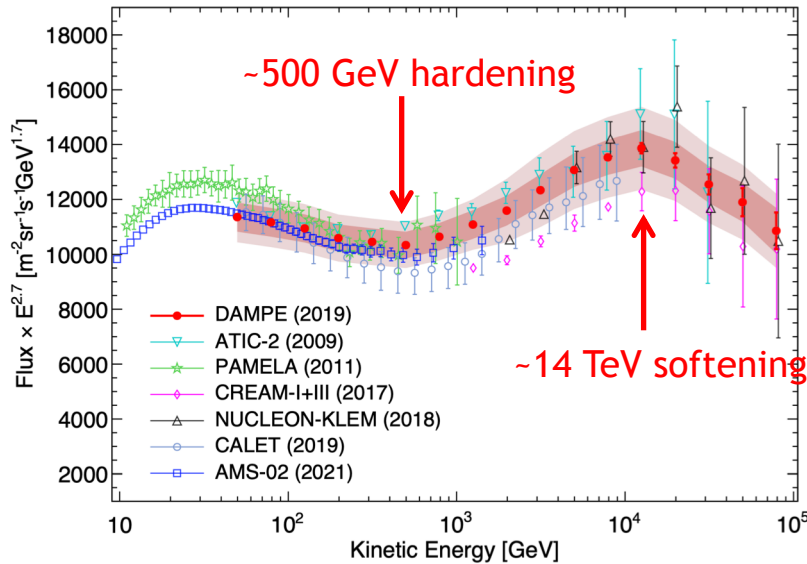
Results: helium spectrum



- Confirms the ~TeV hardening
- Detecting a softening at ~34 TeV with high significance

See talk #895

Softening: proton vs helium

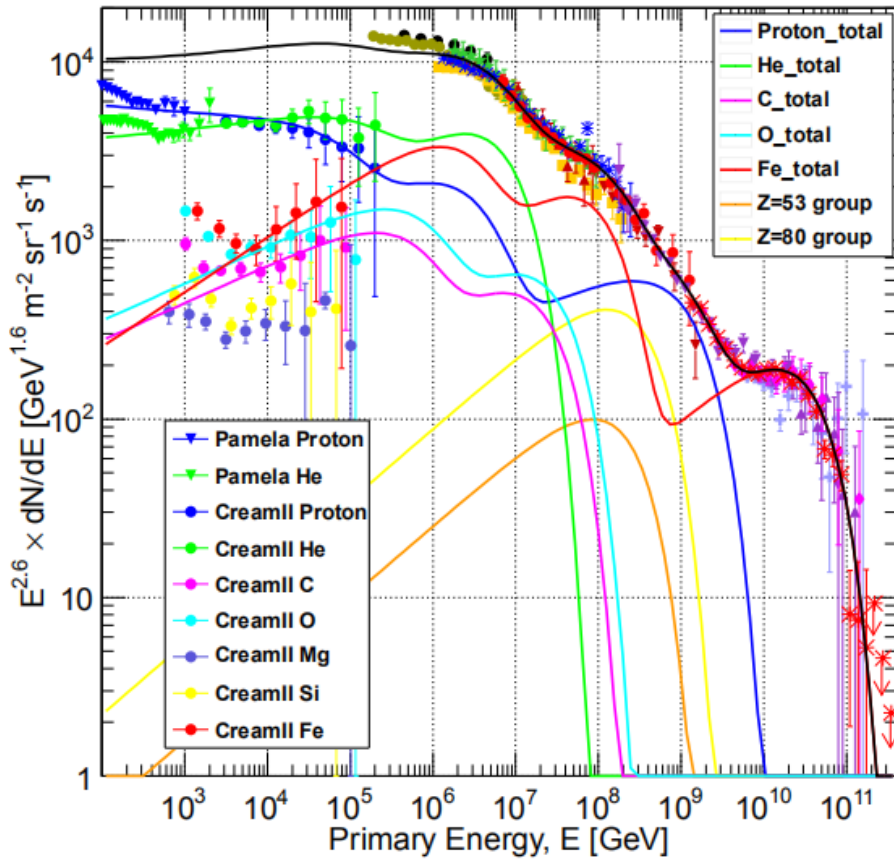


- Proton: A softening at $14_{-4.8}^{+4.1}$ TeV
- Helium: A softening at $34_{-9.8}^{+6.7}$ TeV
- A Z-dependent softening point

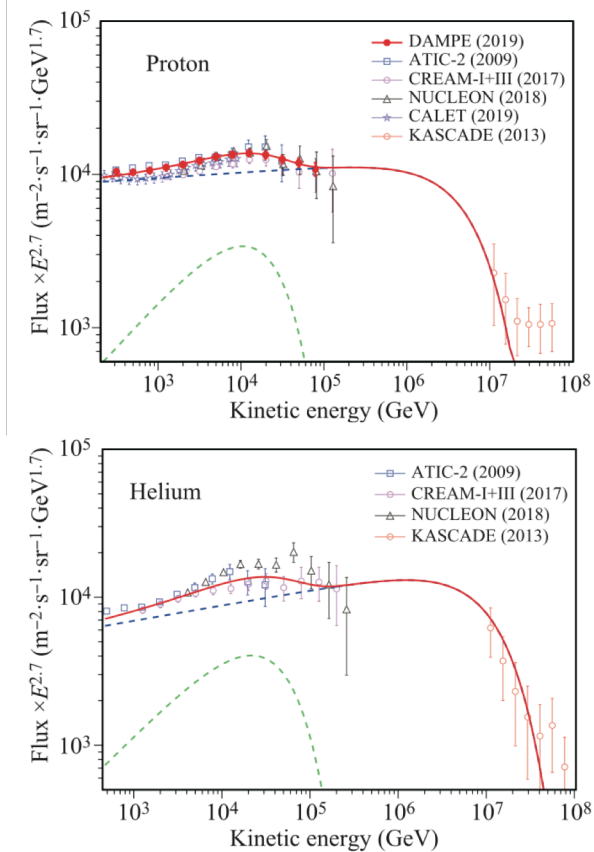
Implications: source population(?)

Nearby source(?)

Gaisser et al. (2013)



Yue et al. (2020)

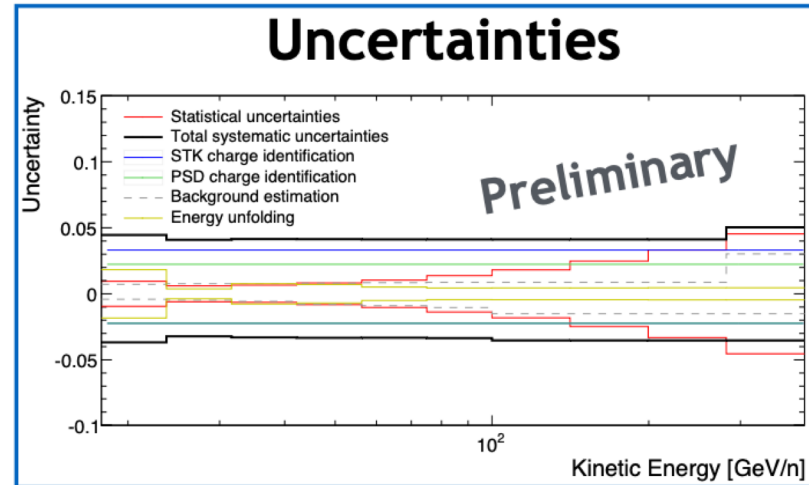
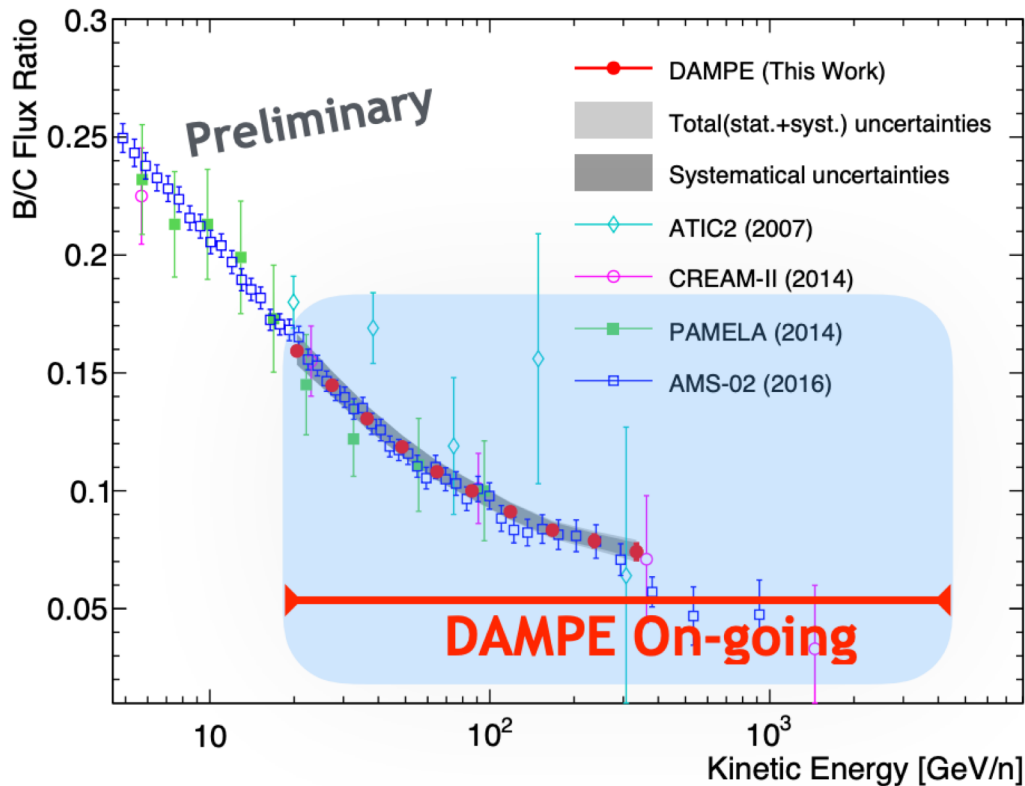


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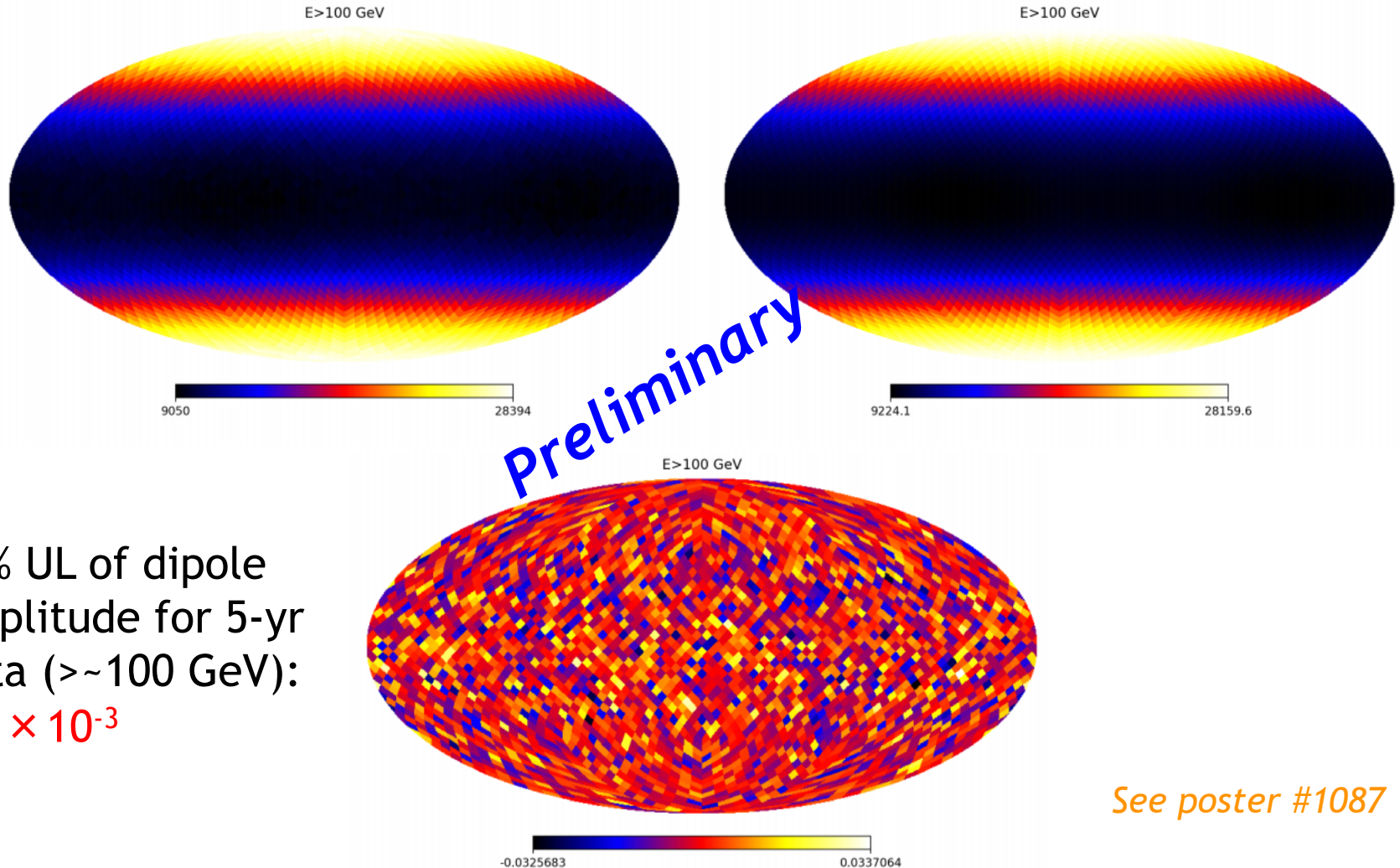
Results: B/C flux ratio



- Preliminary result of B/C flux ratio from 20GeV/n to 400GeV/n has been obtained.
- DAMPE measurement is well consistent with PAMELA and AMS-02 within uncertainties

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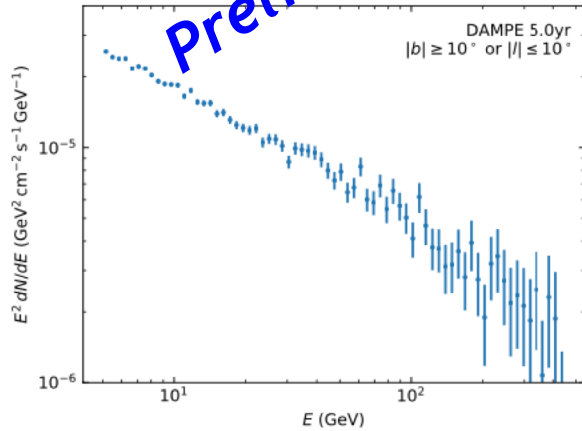
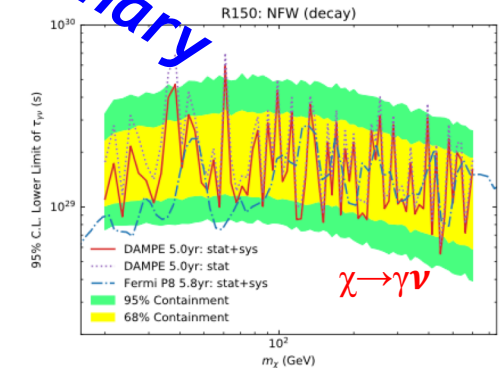
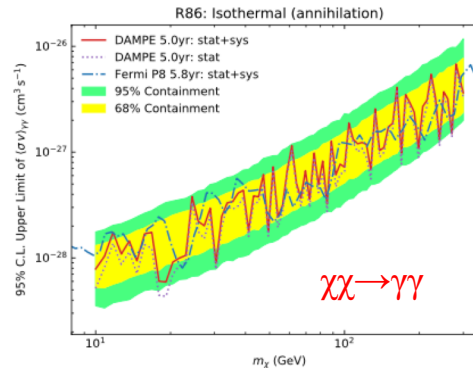
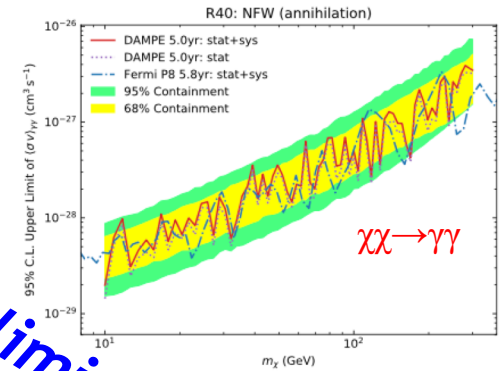
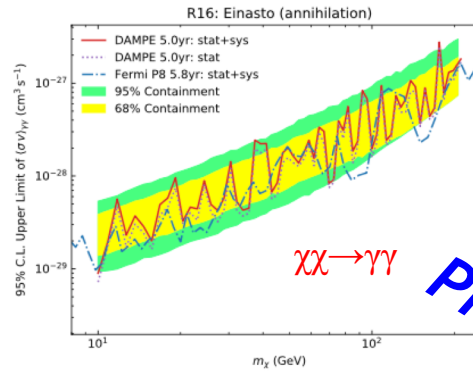
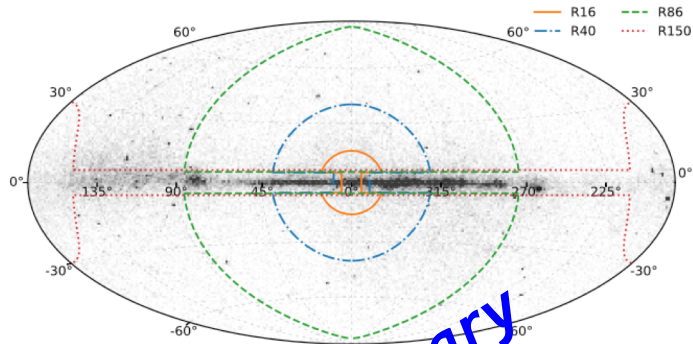
Results: cosmic ray anisotropies



95% UL of dipole
amplitude for 5-yr
data ($> \sim 100$ GeV):
 1.2×10^{-3}

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Results: γ -ray line searches



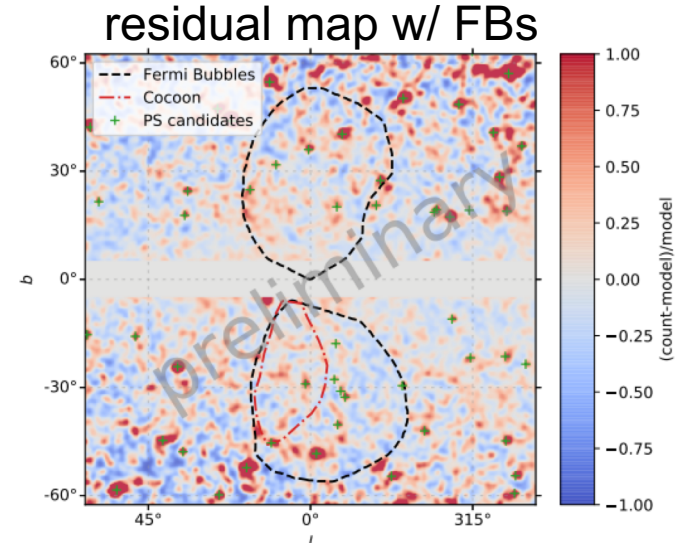
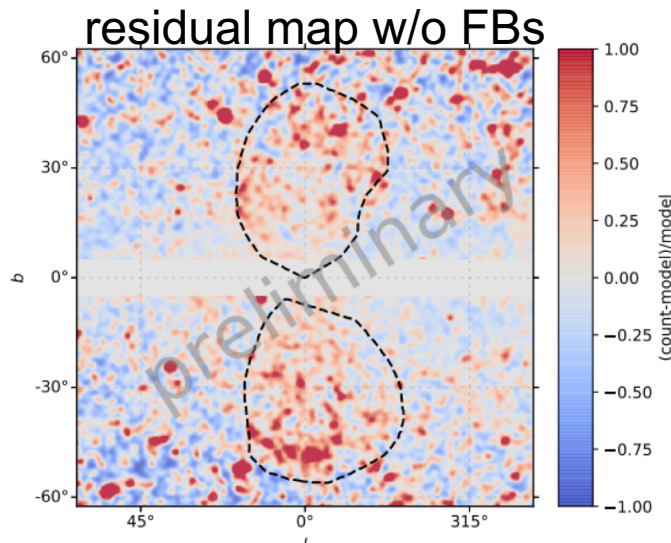
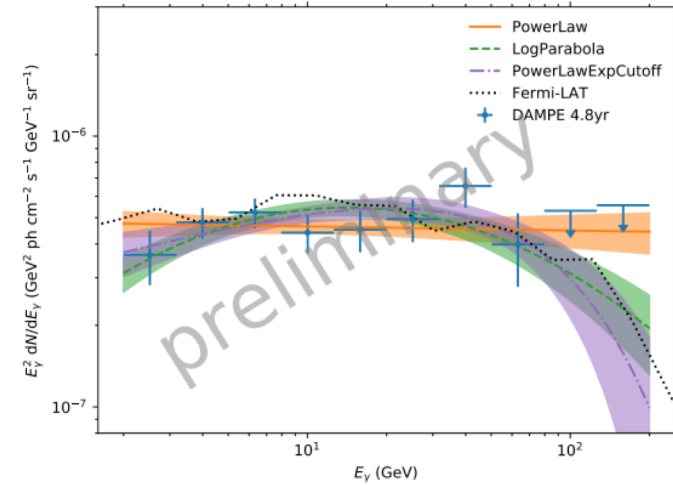
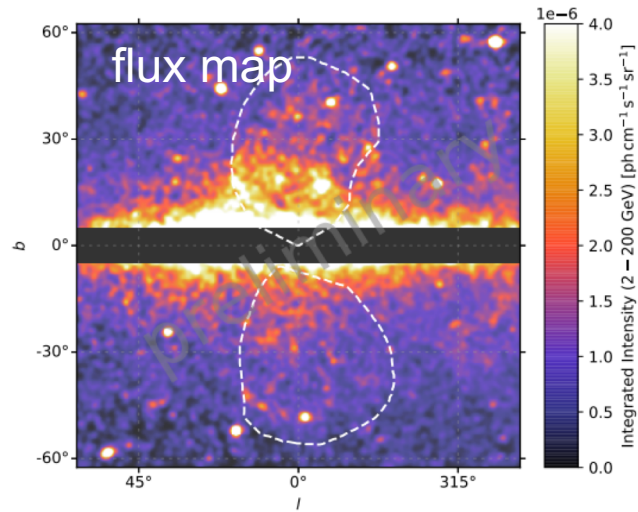
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Obtain the most stringent upper limits on dark matter annihilation cross section or decay lifetime

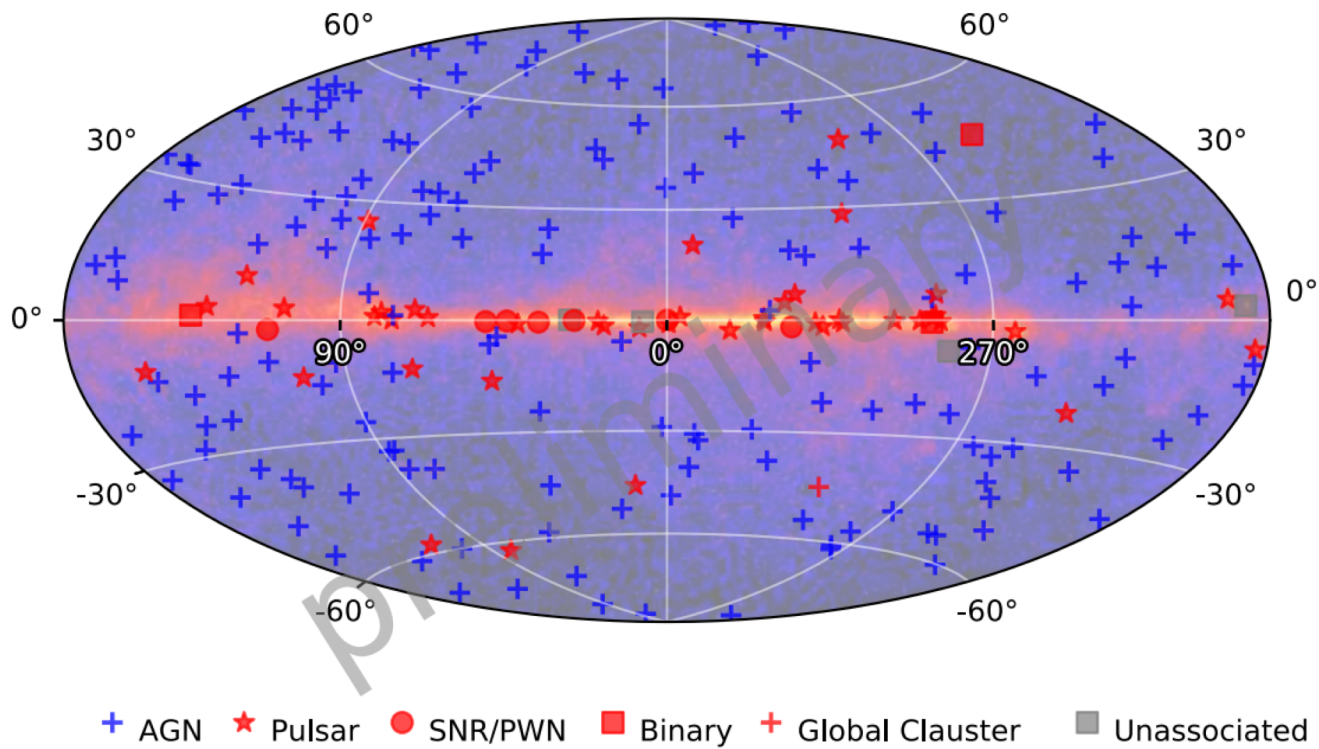
Results: Fermi bubbles



4.8-yr data > 2GeV

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Results: γ -ray catalog

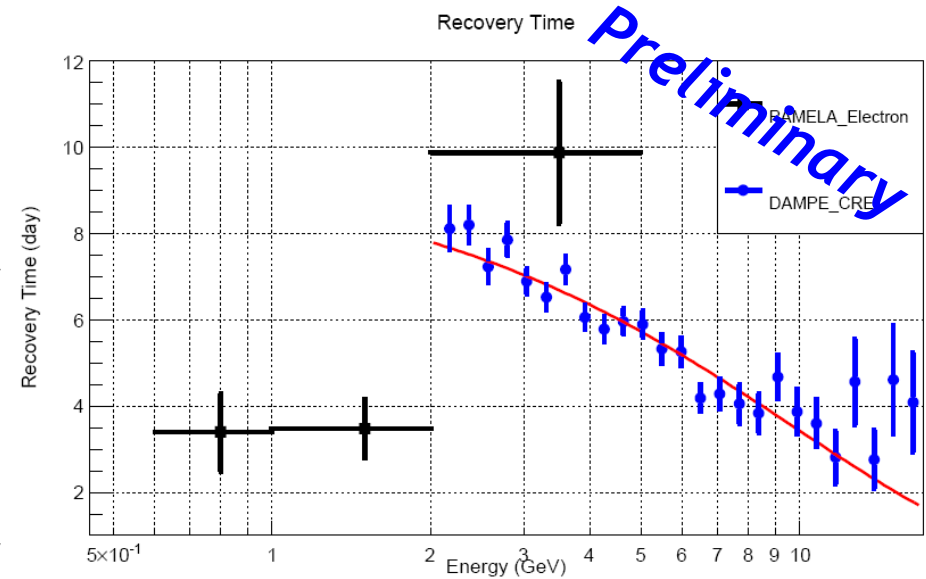
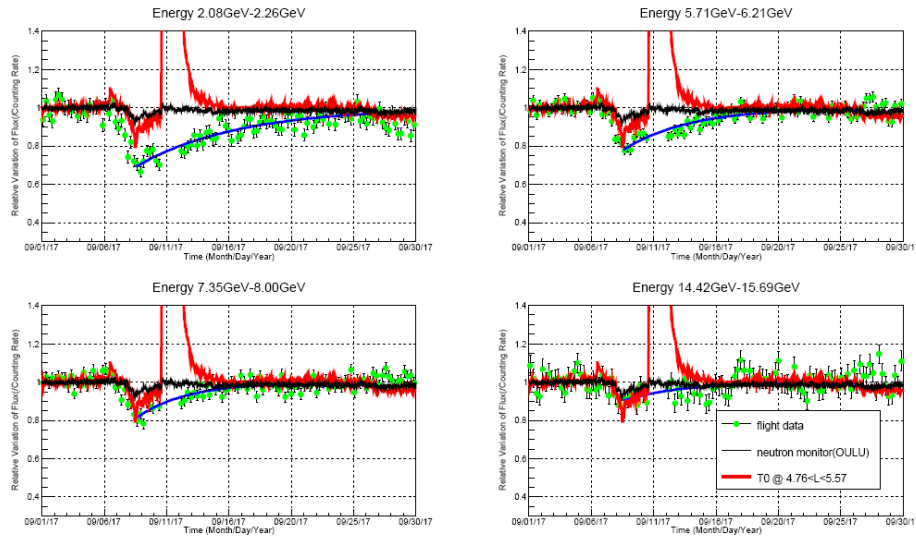


AGN	Pulsar	SNR and/or PWN	Binary	Globular Cluster	Unassociated	Total
163	44	7	3	1	4	222

5-yr data > 2GeV

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Results: Forbush decrease



- DAMPE observed the Forbush decrease (FD) of cosmic ray e+e- with high precision
- Reveal new features of the recovery time

Highlight

#1175: Recent status and results of the Dark Matter Particle Explorer

Oral talks

#891: Search for gamma-ray lines in the Galaxy with DAMPE

#895: Cosmic ray helium spectrum measured by the DAMPE experiment

#903: Direct Measurement of the Cosmic-Ray Iron Spectrum with the Dark Matter Particle Explorer

#970: Measurement of the light component (p+He) energy spectrum with the DAMPE space mission

#1089: Measurement of the Boron to Carbon Flux Ratio in Cosmic Rays with the DAMPE Experiment

#1136: Measurement of carbon and oxygen fluxes in cosmic rays with the DAMPE experiment

Posters

#855: Charge measurement of cosmic rays by Plastic Scintillator Detector of DAMPE

#875: Observations of gamma-ray sources with DAMPE

#982: Machine learning methods for helium flux analysis with DAMPE experiment

#1087: Studies of cosmic ray anisotropies with DAMPE

#1101: Analyzing the Fermi Bubbles with DAMPE

#1125: On-orbit performance of the DAMPE BGO calorimeter

#1127: Simulation of the DAMPE detector

#1150: Charge Loss Correction in the Silicon-Tungsten Tracker-Converter for Proton-Helium Charge Identification in the DAMPE Detector

#1156: Searching for fractionally charged particles based on DAMPE

#1184: Performance of the DAMPE silicon-tungsten tracker during the first 5 years of in-orbit operation

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