



# High-Energy Survey Observatories

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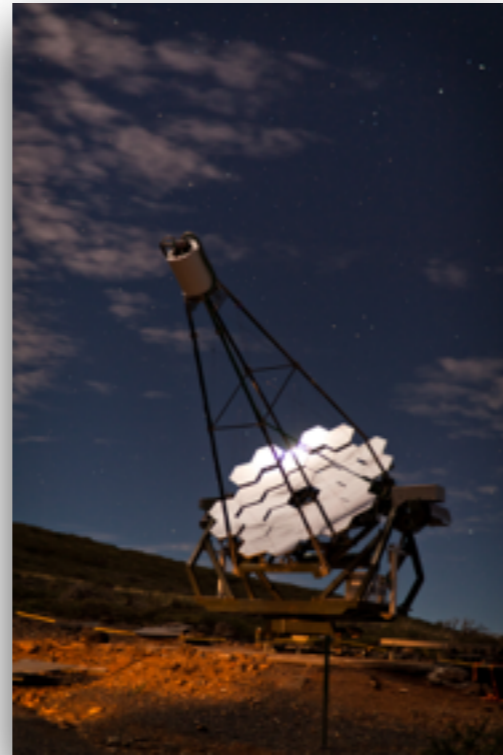




# Transient events: need for monitoring instruments



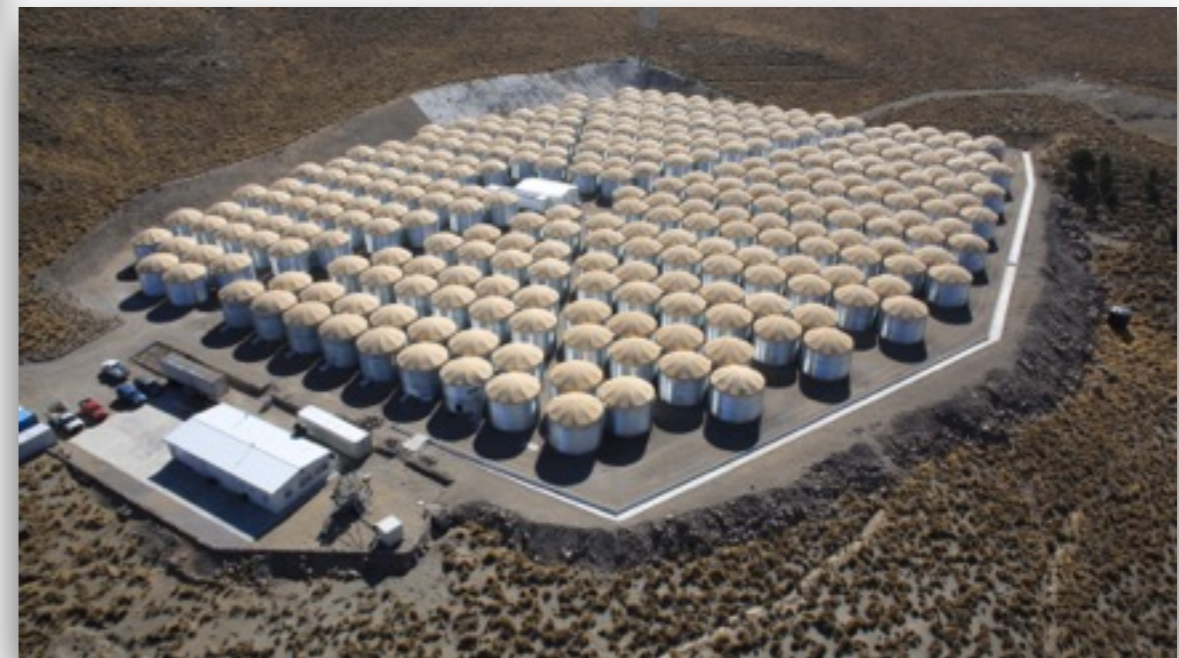
Fermi-LAT



FACT

- trigger MWL follow-ups
- long-term light curves
- archival data for follow-up analyses

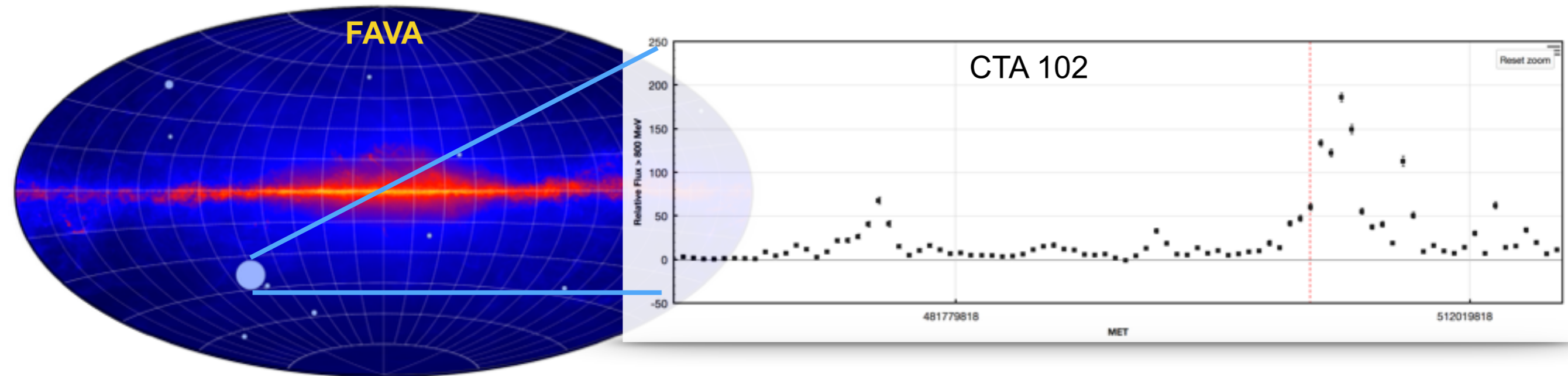
HAWC + LHAASO



# Overview

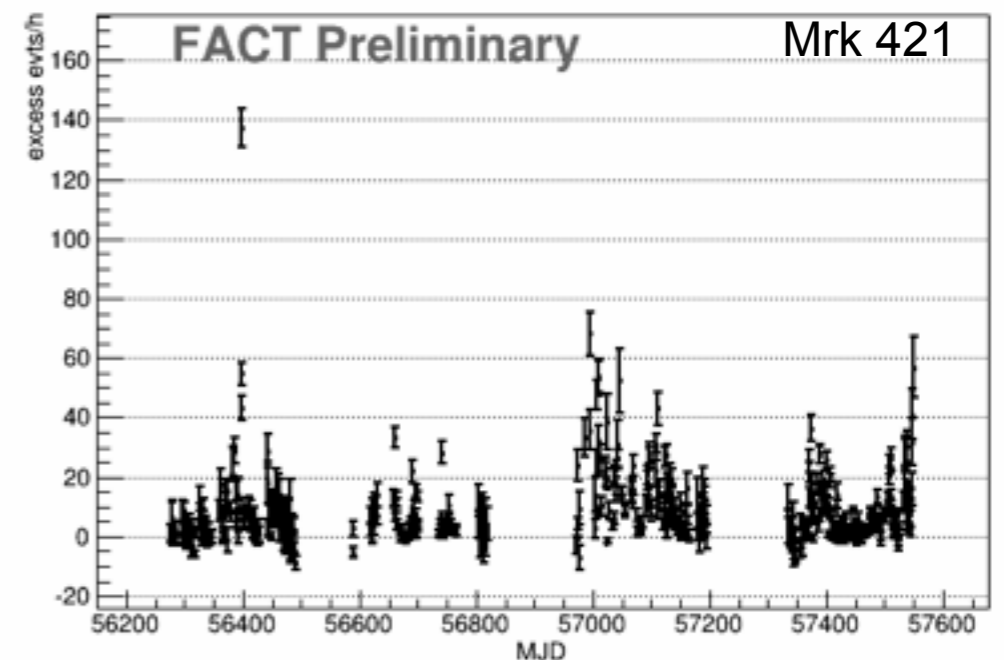
- best current example: **Fermi-LAT**

- all-sky monitoring at GeV energies, important input to many ToO programs



- dedicated IACTs: **FACT**

- monitoring pre-defined list of AGNs
- gaps due to weather and moon-light



# High-energy monitoring in 2020

- global network of FACT like telescopes (proposed)
  - biased and limited list of monitored sources



- HAWC
  - taking data since 2015
  - upgrade/extension in progress

- LHAASO
  - construction started
  - increased sensitivity over HAWC

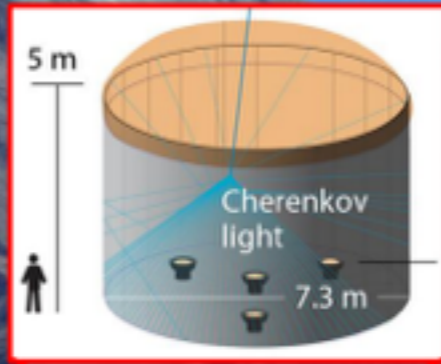
- Next generation instrument in the Southern Hemisphere
  - discussions started





# High Altitude Water Cherenkov Observatory (HAWC)

Citlaltepētli  
Pico de Orizaba  
5610m a.s.l.



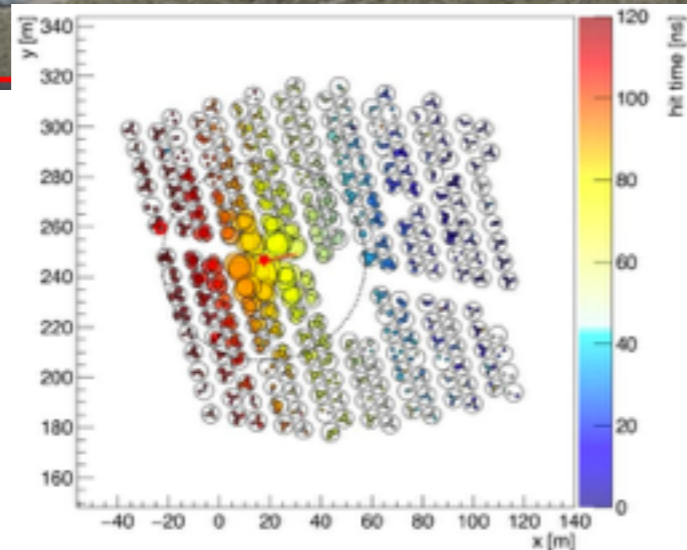
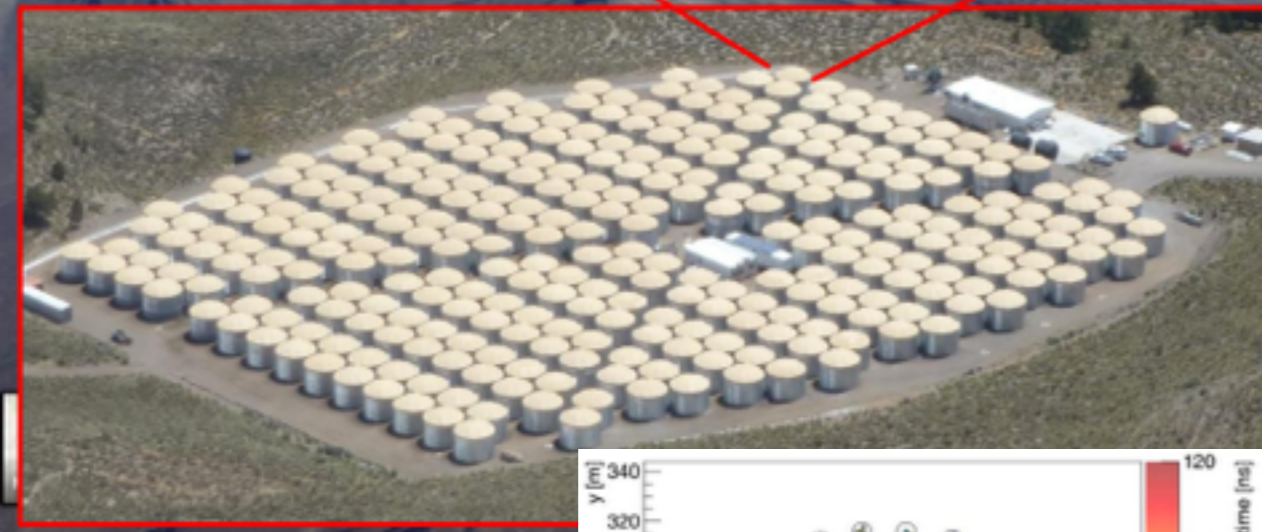
- 22,000 m<sup>2</sup> air shower array
- 300 Water Cherenkov detectors (WCD)
- 180,000 liters of purified water per WCD
- 4 PMTs per WCD (3x 8" from Milagro + 1x 10" high QE)
- Completed March 2015

Large  
Millimeter  
Telescope  
Alfonso Serrano

Tliltepētli  
Sierra Negra  
4582m a.s.l.

HAWC  
4100 m a.s.l.

R. Lauer (HAWC)

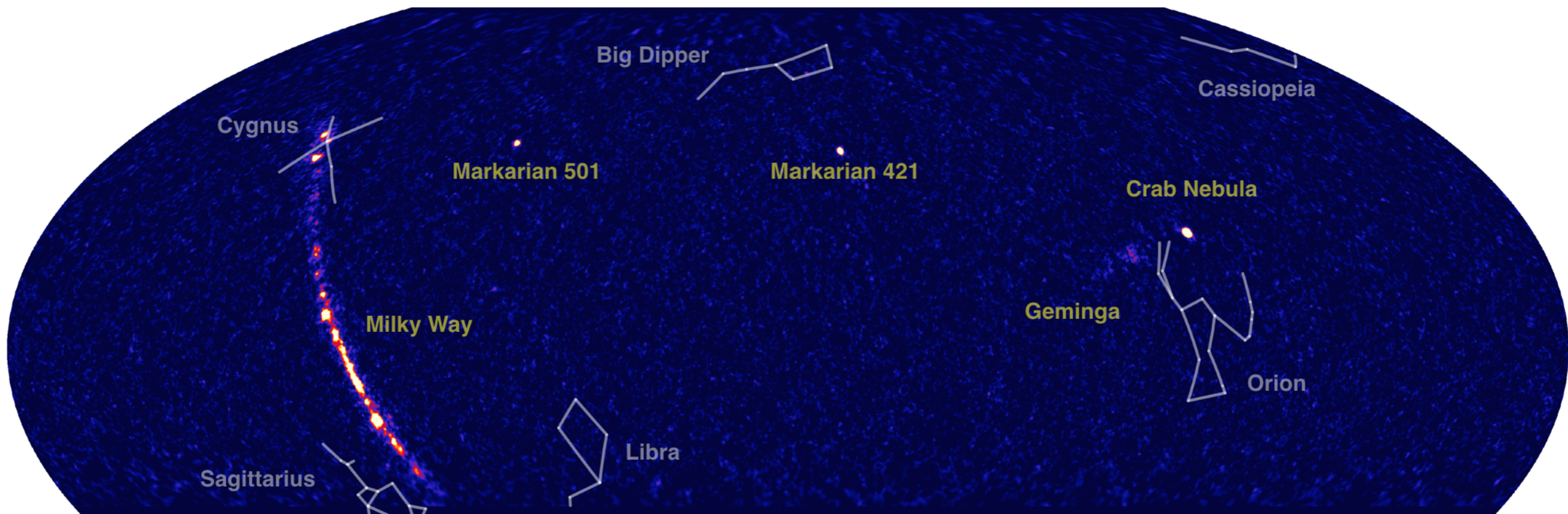




# HAWC: monitoring the TeV sky



- first years of observations, 95% duty cycle
- Energy range: 0.5-100 TeV, angular resolution: 1deg - 0.2deg
- second source catalog available (arXiv: [1702.02992](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.02992))
  - first confirmations (and non-confirmations) reported by VERITAS
  - comparison with HESS Galactic Plane Scan in progress

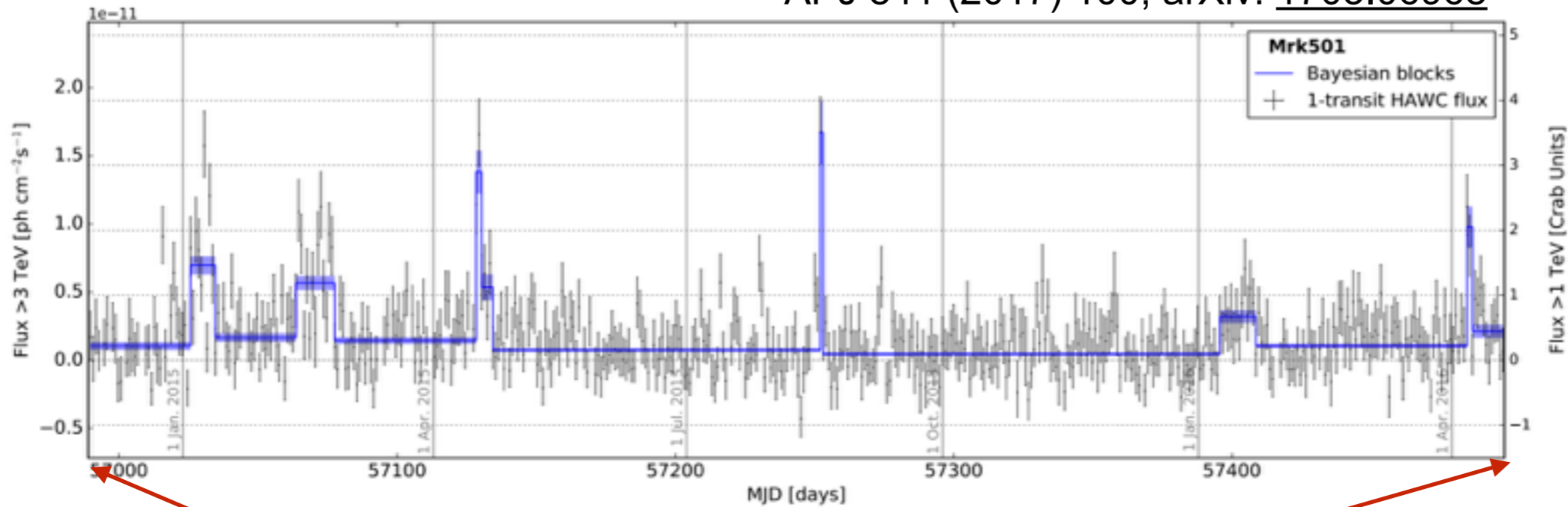




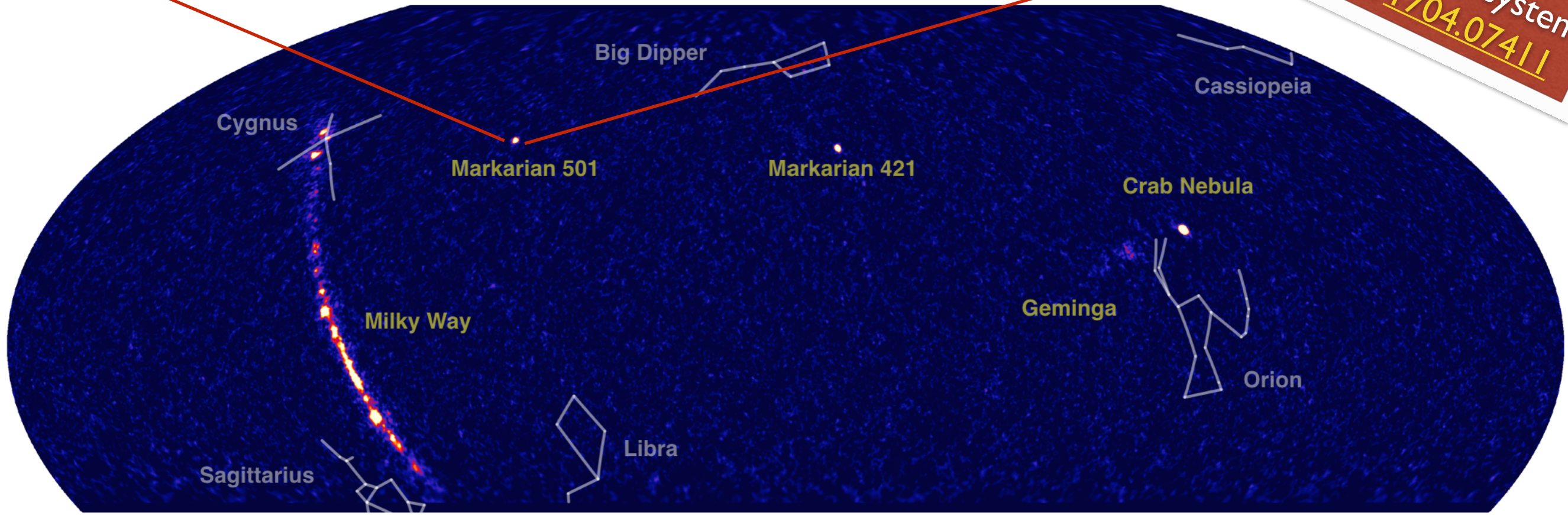
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APJ 841 (2017) 100, arXiv: [1703.06968](https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.06968)



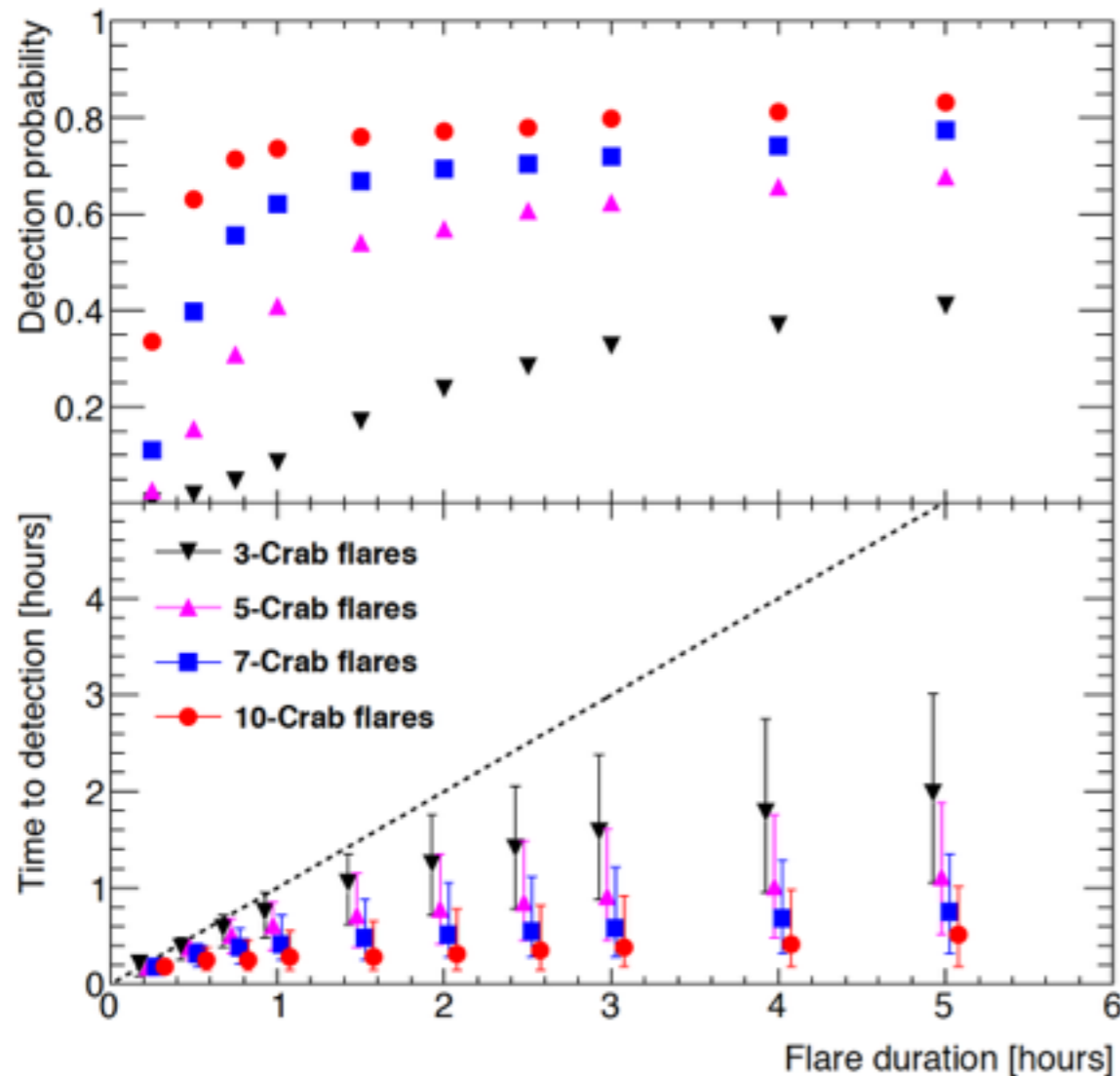
Online alert system  
arXiv: [1704.07411](https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.07411)



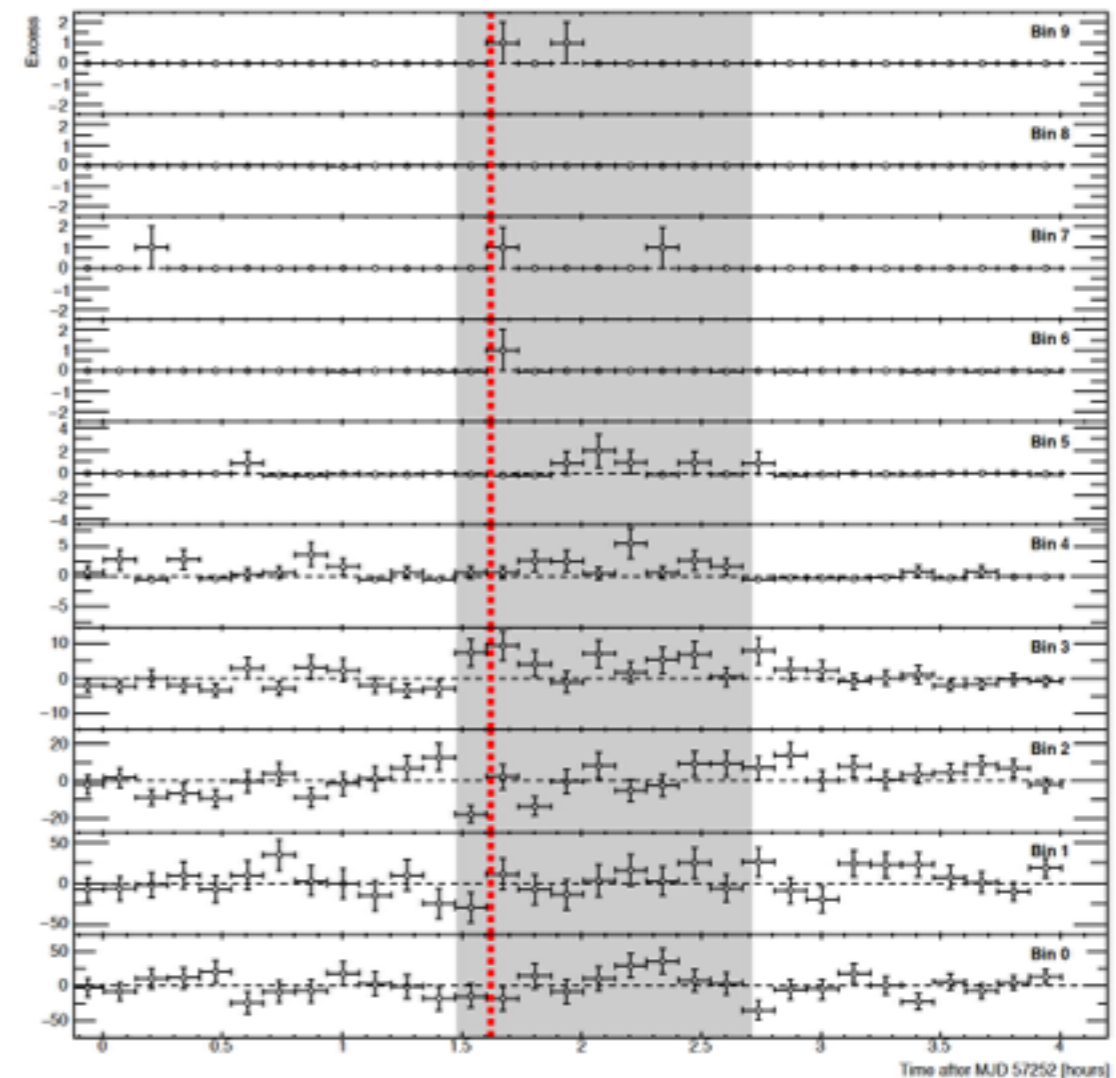
# HAWC: online flare monitoring



- online monitoring of sources across the visible sky ( $\sim 2\text{sr}$  instantaneous FoV)
- flares between 2min and 2days
- alert emission to MoU partners since 01/2017



Mrk 501 (August 18, 2015)



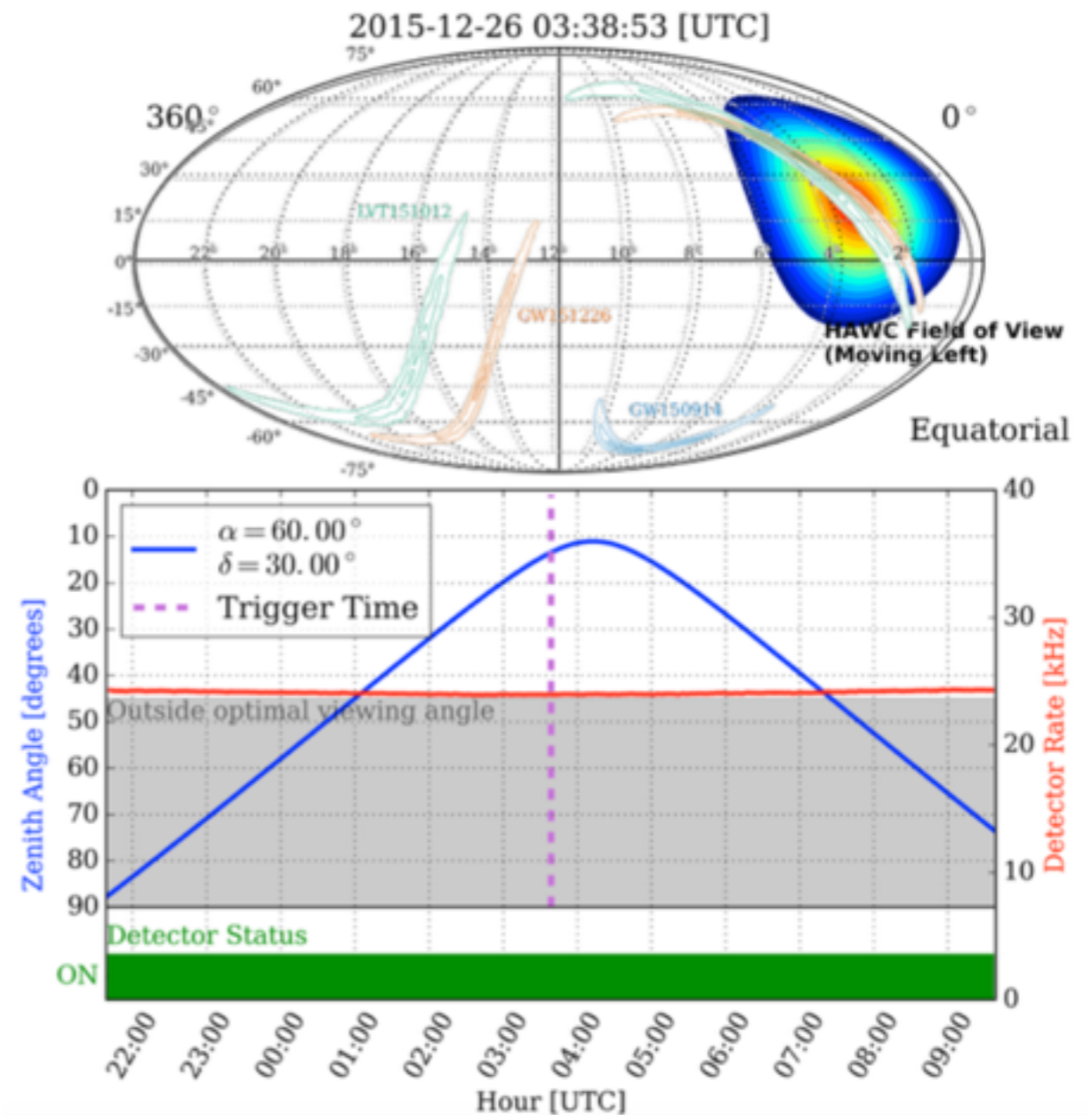
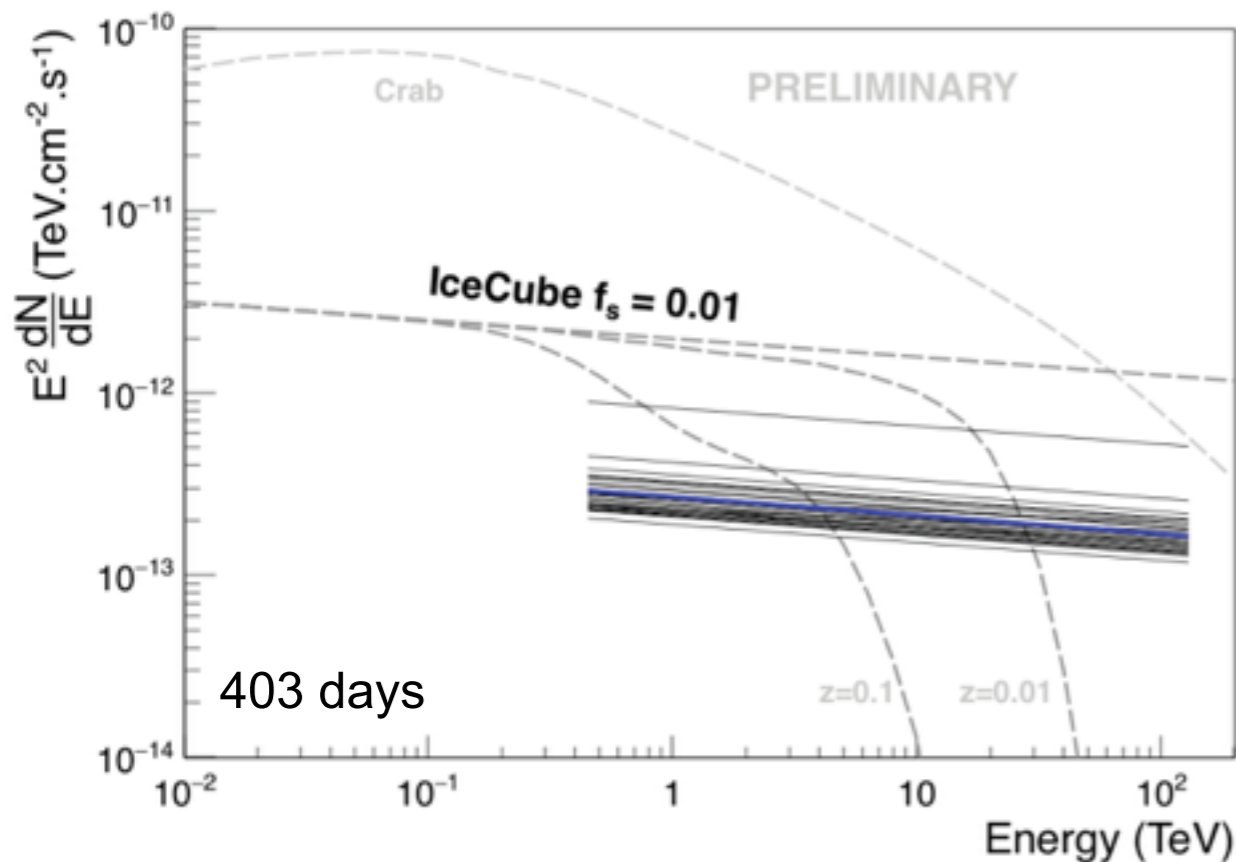
T. Weisgarber (HAWC), arXiv: [1704.07411](https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.07411)



# HAWC: multi-messenger transients



- full-sky monitoring allows for efficient multi-messenger searches
  - high-energy neutrinos, e.g. IC-HESE tracks ( $\sim 1\text{deg}^2$ ) + cascades  $\sim 200\text{deg}^2$ )
  - gravitational waves ( $\sim 1000\text{deg}^2$ )

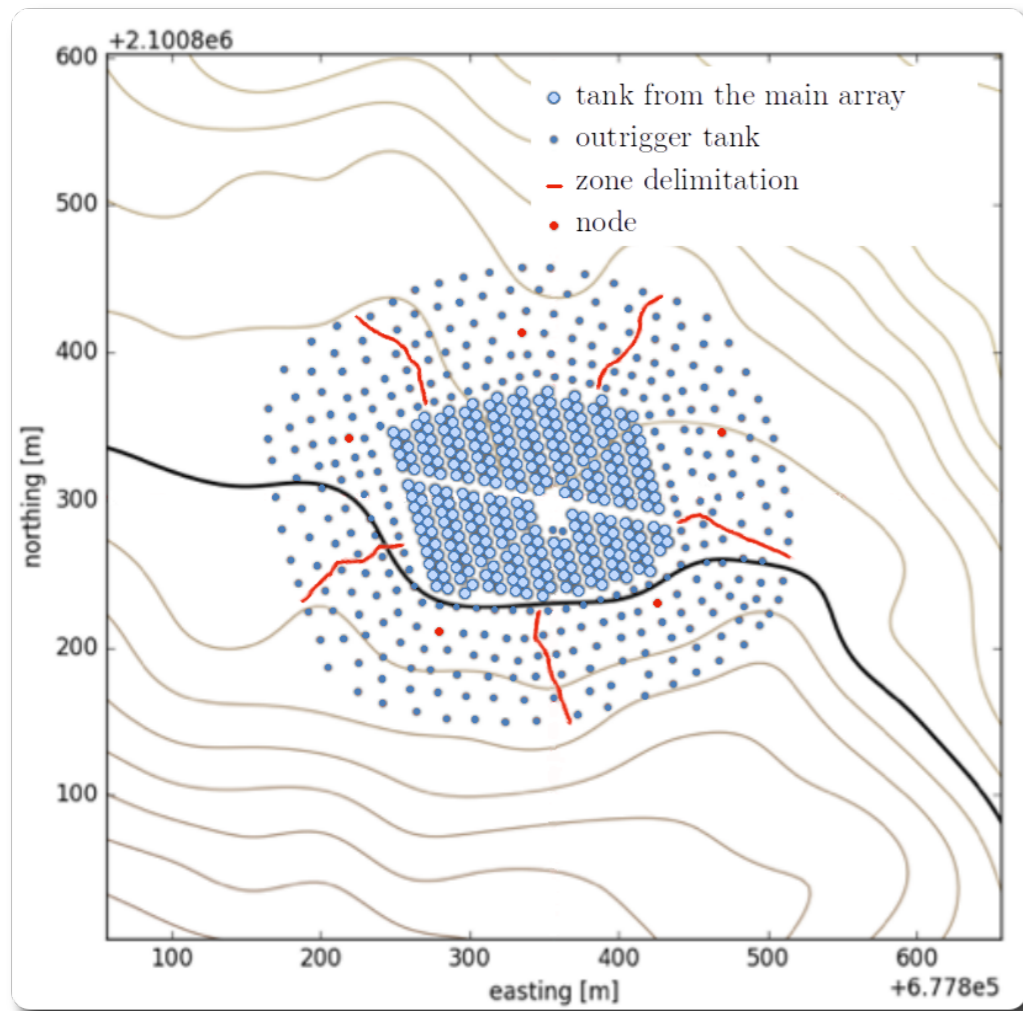


A. Sandoval, Gamma 2016



# HAWC: upgrade

- installation of 300 outrigger stations around the main detector
- improved angular resolution + gamma/hadron separation
  - factor 3-4 increased sensitivity above 10TeV
  - important improvements also at lower energies
- use of CTA electronics (FlashCam@MPIK/Germany)

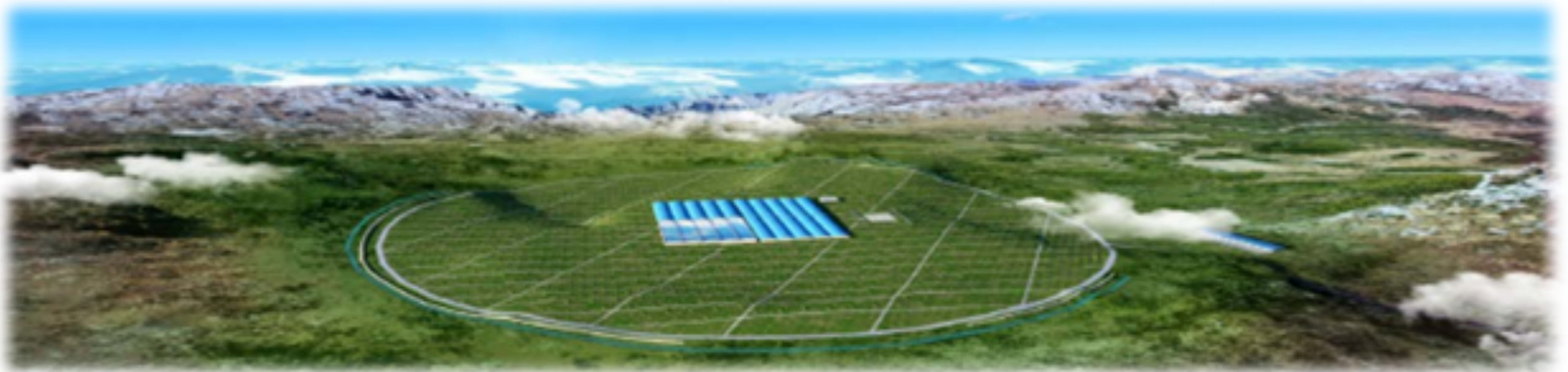


arXiv: [1509.04269](https://arxiv.org/abs/1509.04269)



# LHAASO

LHAASO site, Sichuan province China, 4410m a.s.l.



The LHAASO project is currently under construction. Infrastructures will be finished in 2017.

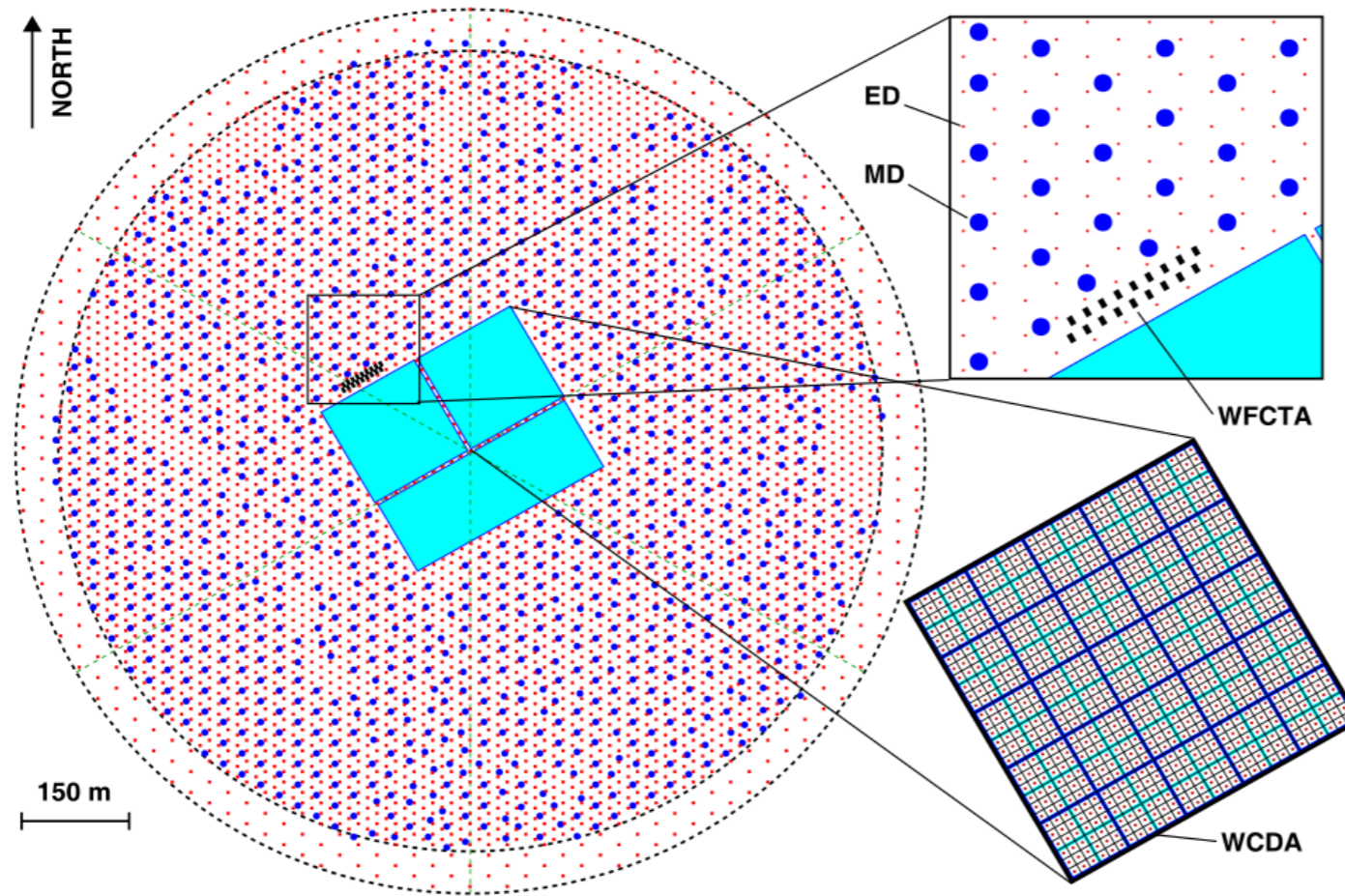
**One fourth** of the Observatory will be finished in the year of **2018**.  
**The whole observatory** will be completed by the end of **2021**.



Zizhao Zong (LHAASO)

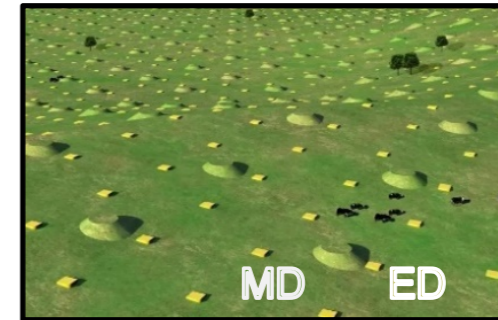


# LHAASO implementations



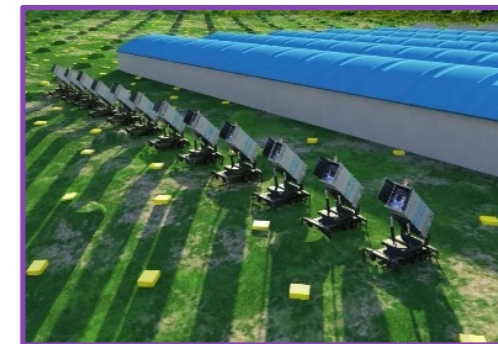
*Y. Liu, et al. The Astrophysical Journal (2016)*

KM2A



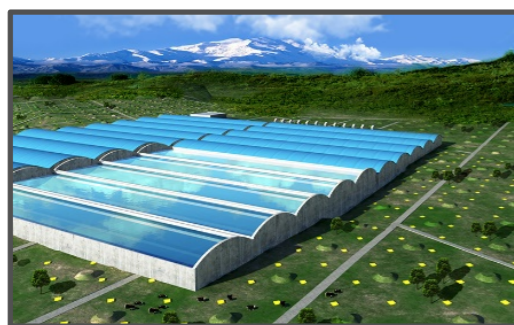
**1 km<sup>2</sup> array**  
 5195 electromagnetic particle detectors (ED)  
 1171 muon detectors (MD)

WFCTA



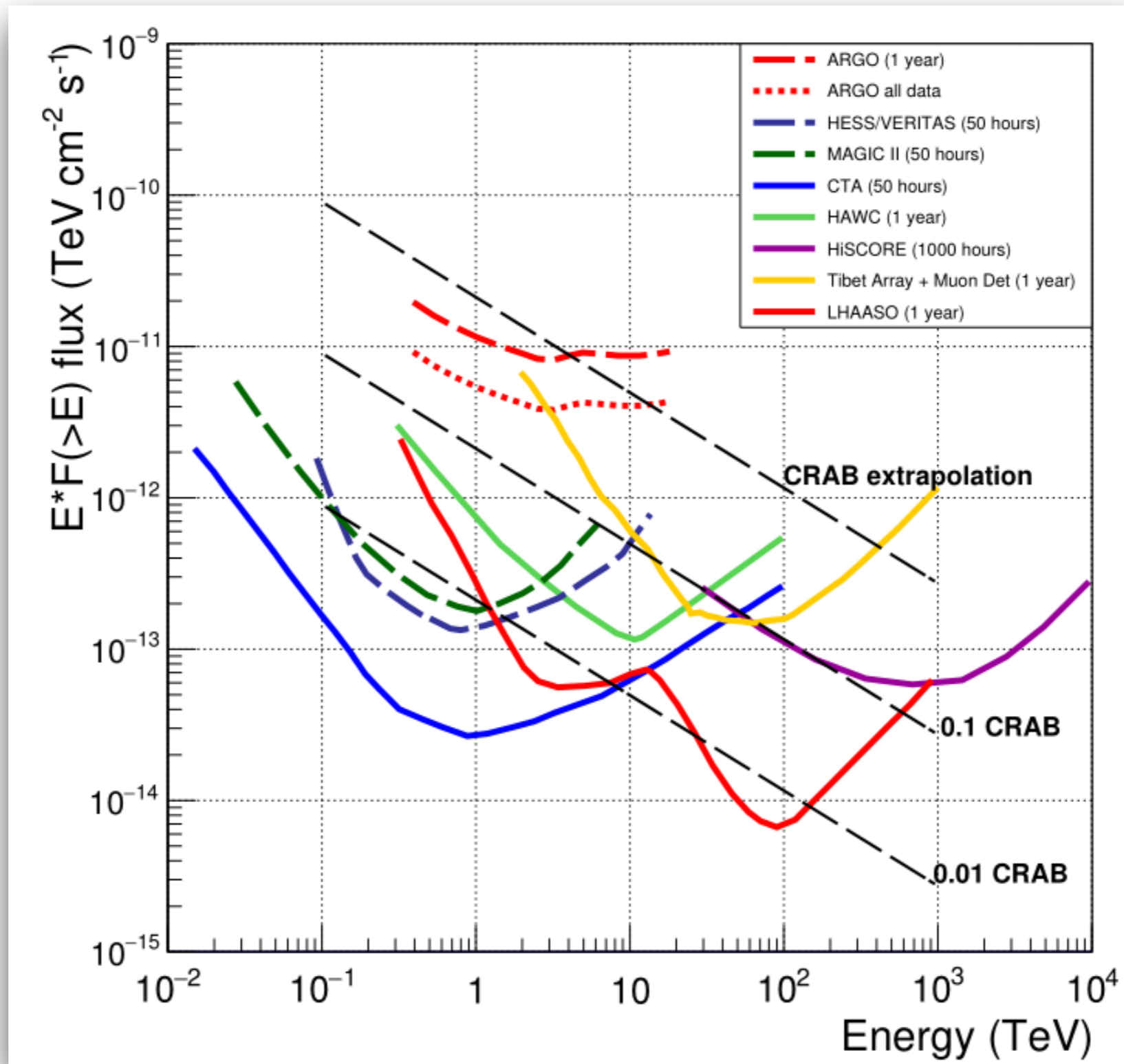
**Wide field-of-view (FoV) Cherenkov Telescope Array**  
 12 telescopes  
 16×14° FoV  
 1024 pixels in each camera

WCDA



**Water Cherenkov Detector Array**  
 3000 detector units  
 5×5 m<sup>2</sup> for each unit  
 Total effective area of 78000 m<sup>2</sup>

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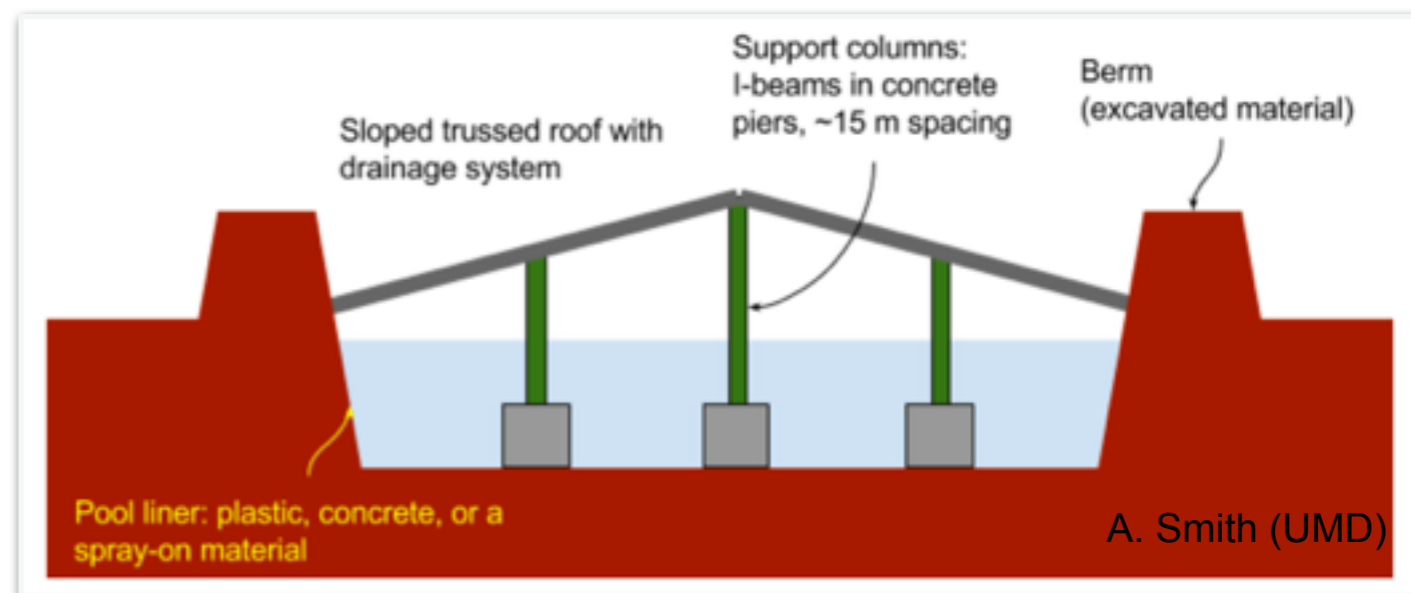
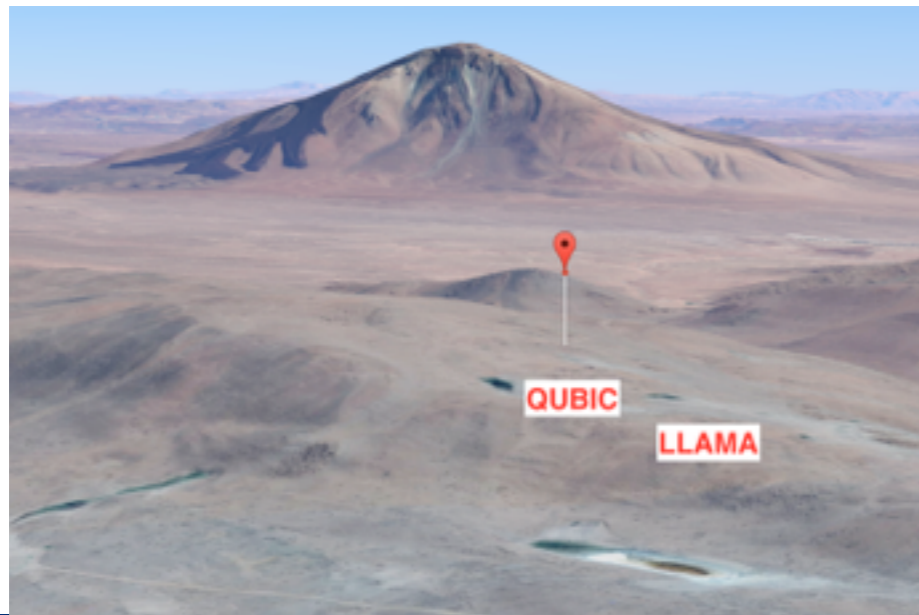
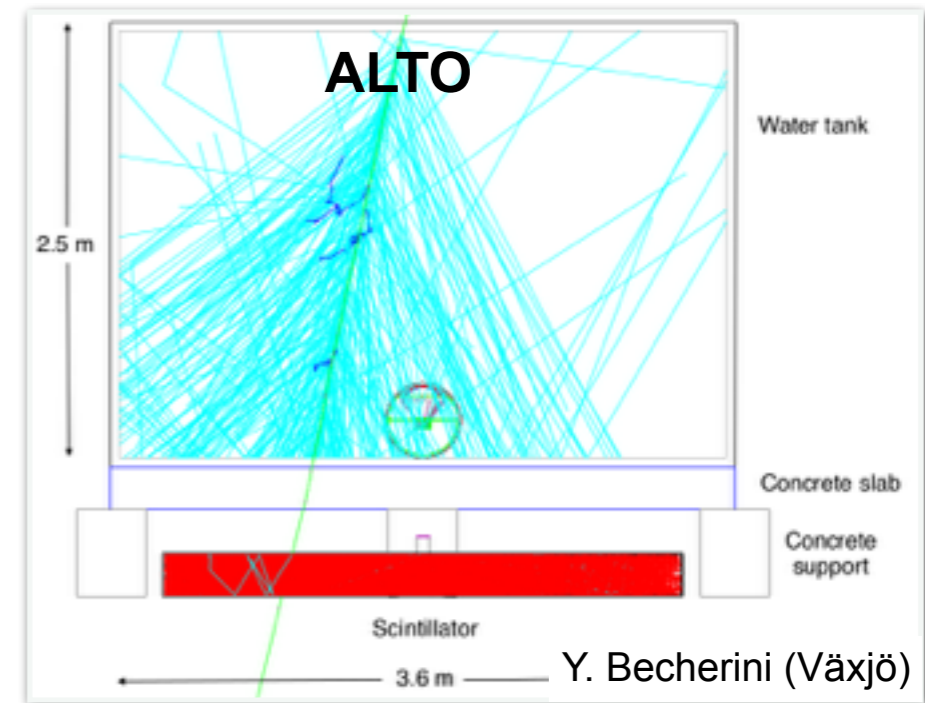


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# A next generation instrument in the Southern Hemisphere (?)

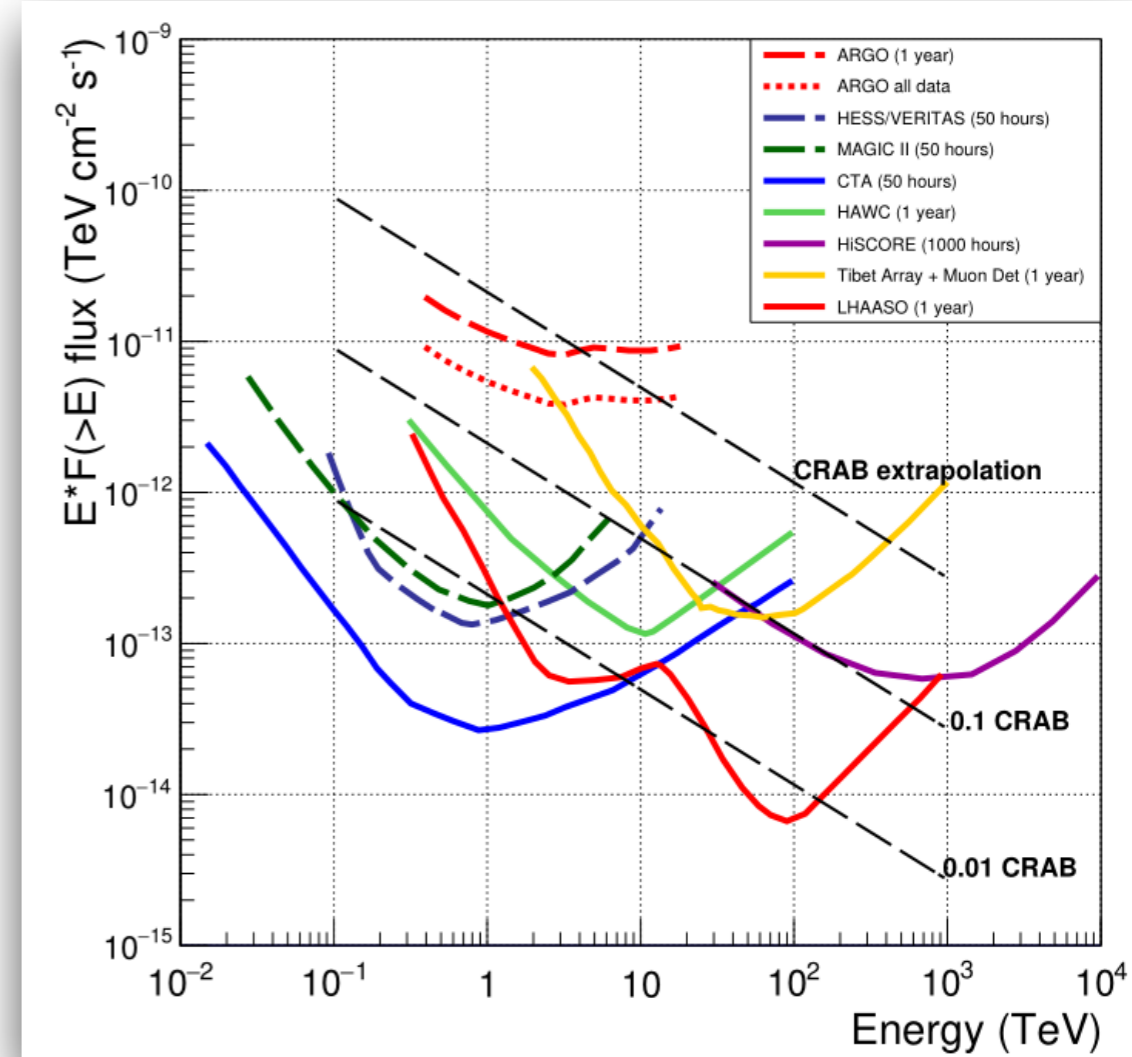
- community starting to form
  - first workshop 11/2016 (Puebla, Mexico) + second workshop in 06/2017 (Rochester/NY)
- White paper on Science Case in preparation
  - “Studying Galactic Particle Accelerators”
  - “Monitoring the Transient Sky”
  - “Probing Physics Beyond the Standard Model”
- various design proposals discussed in parallel
- various sites under consideration





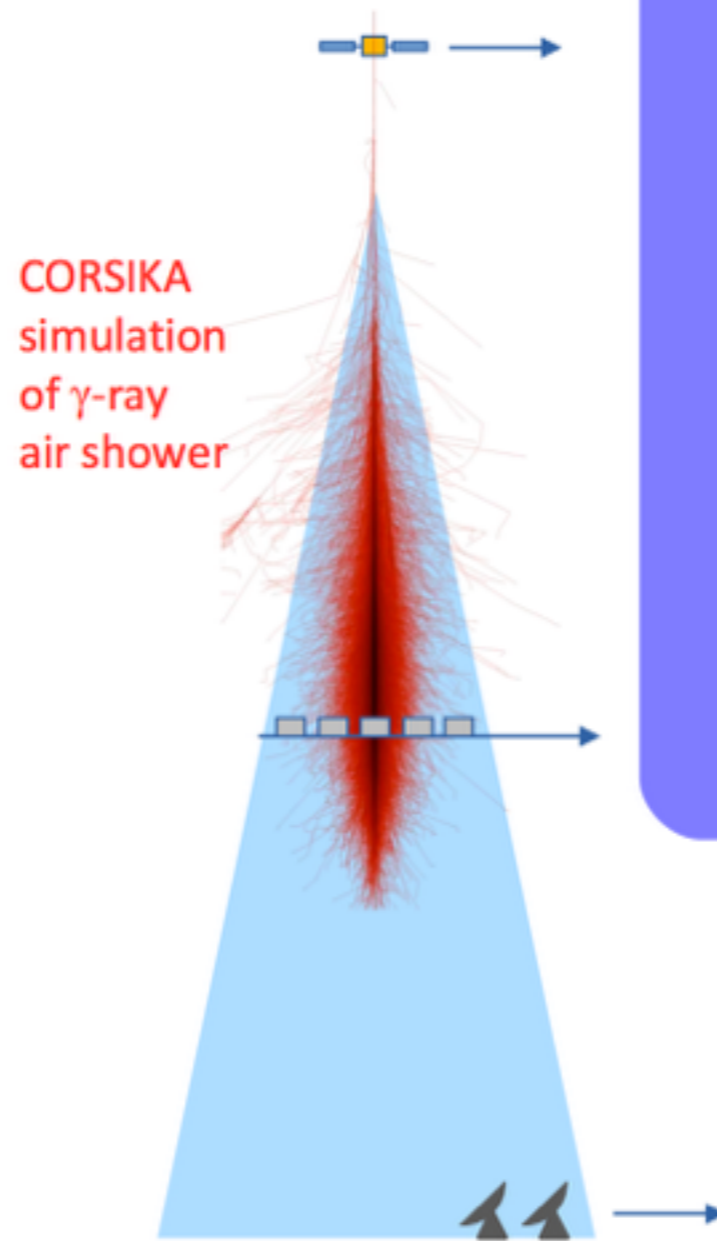
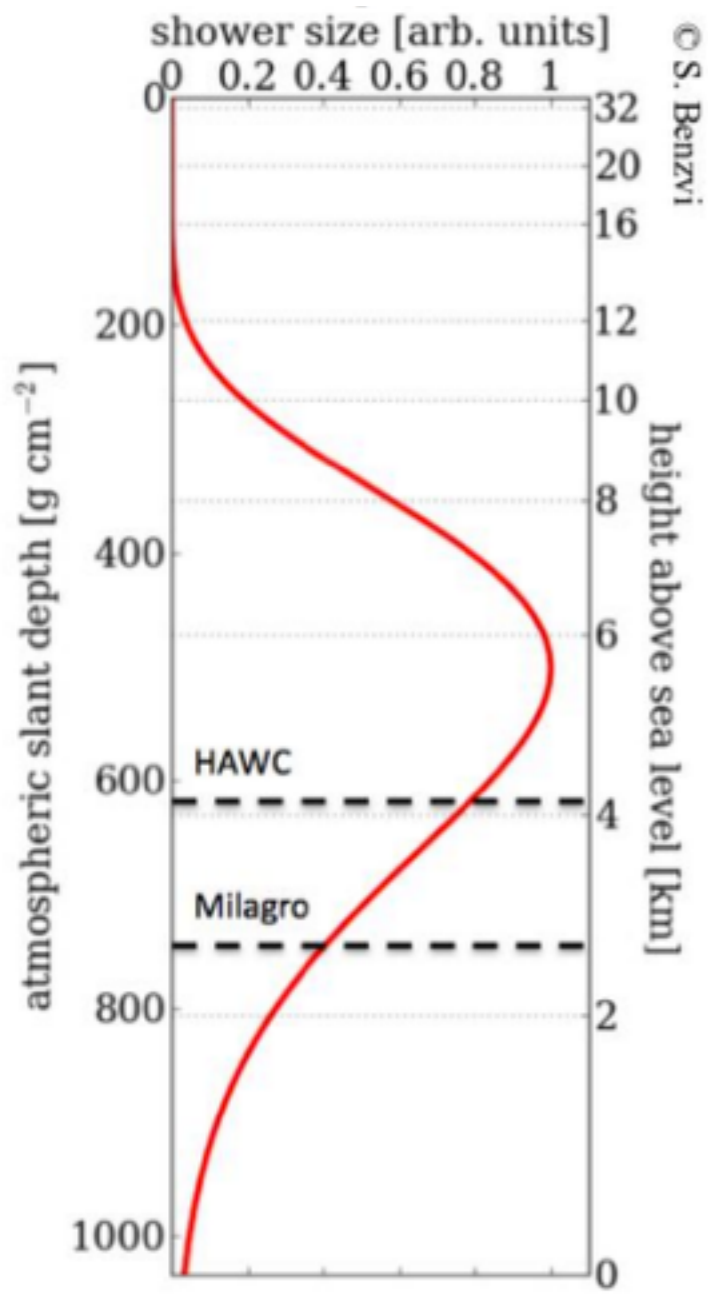
# Summary

- currently a large variety of instruments are monitoring the HE+VHE sky
  - Fermi-LAT (+ Swift-BAT, etc.)
  - FACT
  - HAWC
- Transient Sky in 2020
  - Fermi-LAT (?)
  - FACT world-wide network (?)
  - HAWC + outriggers
  - LHAASO
  - Next generation observatory in the Southern Hemisphere (??, 2020++)
- HE + VHE monitoring crucial for a large range of transient searches
  - realtime alerts on a large variety of transient sources
  - long-term monitoring + light-curves
  - archival data ("go back in time and check for signal from a given direction")
- Important synergies with CTA: "finder scopes" triggering deep follow-up observations of transient events









Direct  $\gamma$ -detection



Shower particle interception



Shower imaging

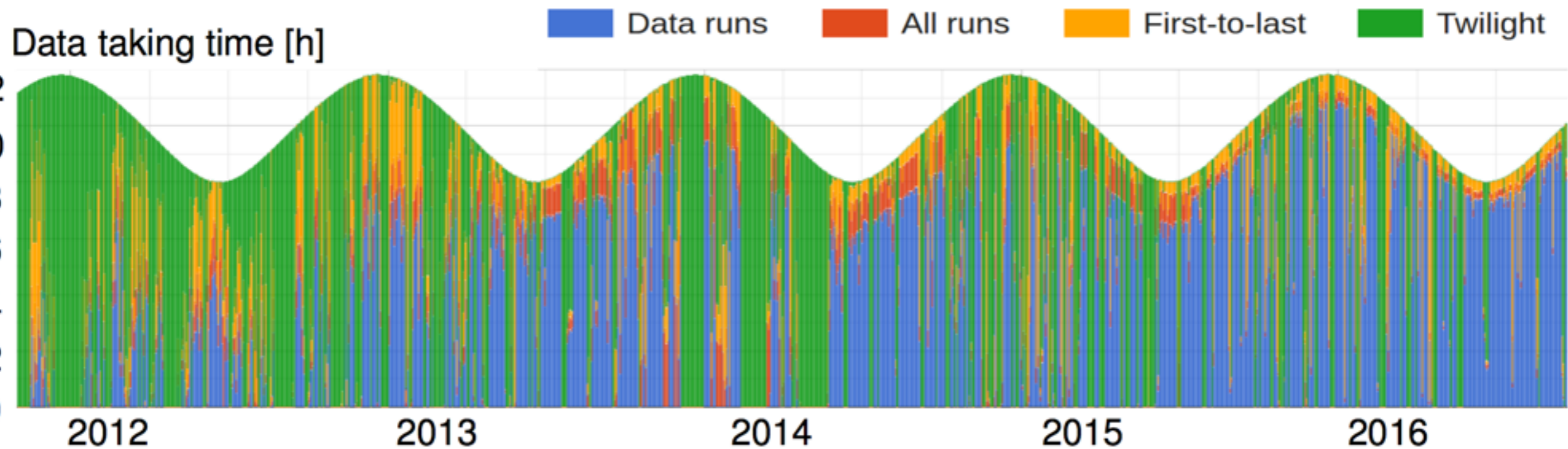
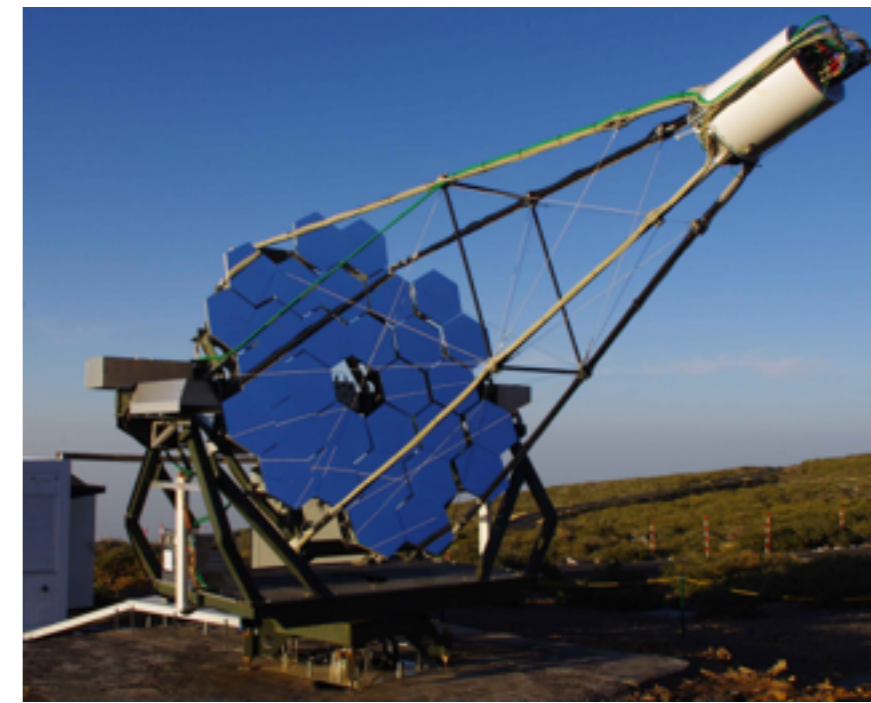
Wide Field of View,  
Continuous Operations

TeV Sensitivity



# FACT

- HEGRA telescope mount
- SiPM camera (operation during moon-light possible)
- largely automatized + remote monitoring



D. Dorner et al.

# Long-term light-curves across the EM spectrum

- currently: various wide FoV instruments monitoring the sky
- extremely valuable for long-term MWL studies

