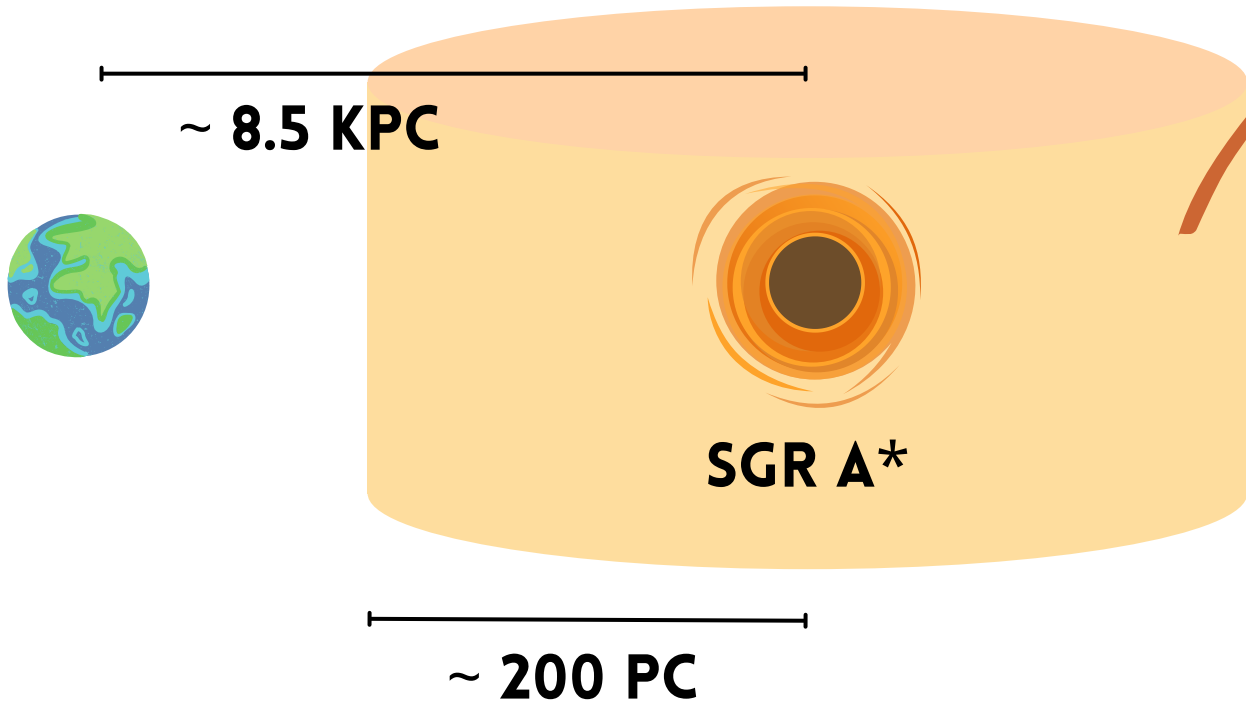
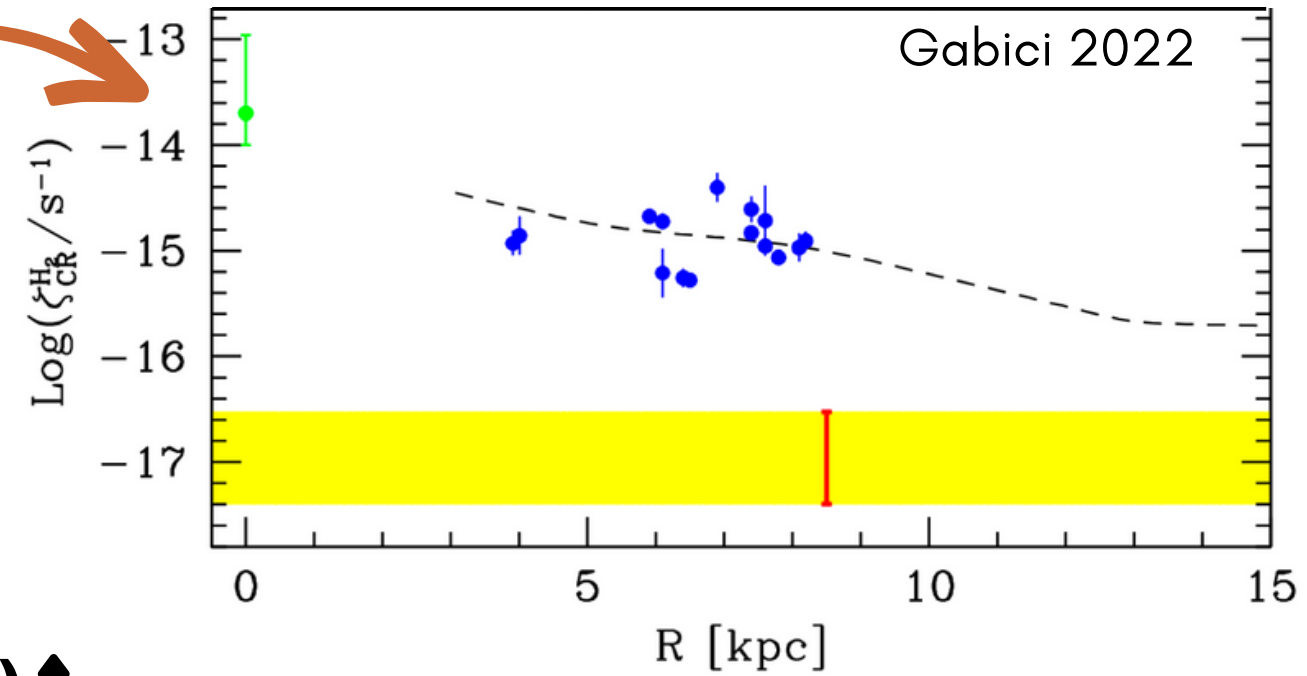


CENTRAL MOLECULAR ZONE



"COSMIC-RAY" IONISATION RATE



EXCESS IN IONISATION RATE

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NO EXCESS IN GAMMA RAYS

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EXCESS IN LOW-ENERGY COSMIC RAYS?

COSMIC RAYS CAN NOT BE THE EXCLUSIVE IONISING AGENTS OF THE CMZ

CR POWER NEEDED:
 10^{40} ERG/S

