

(Selected) News from Cherenkov Telescopes (+)

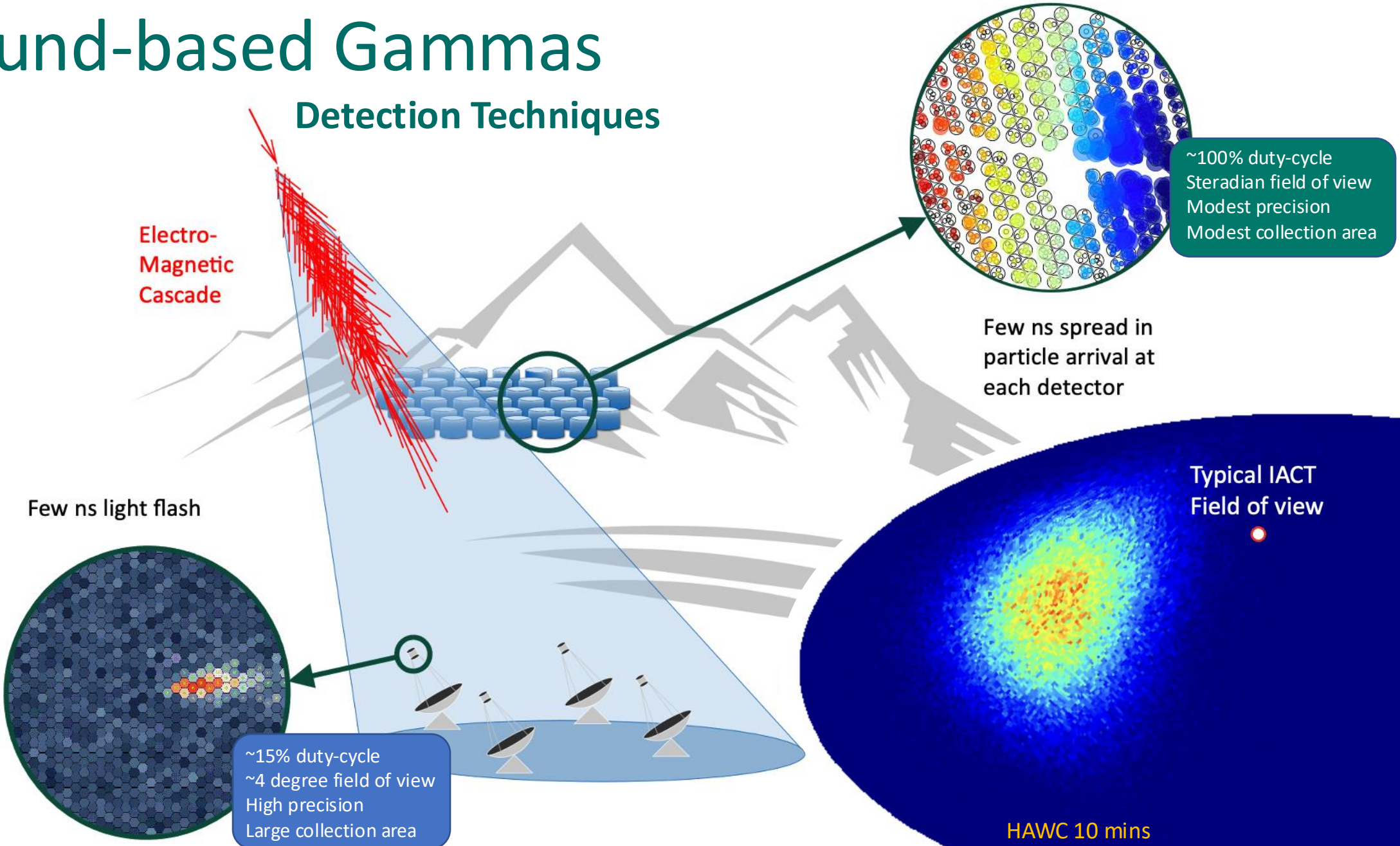
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Ground-based Gammas

Detection Techniques

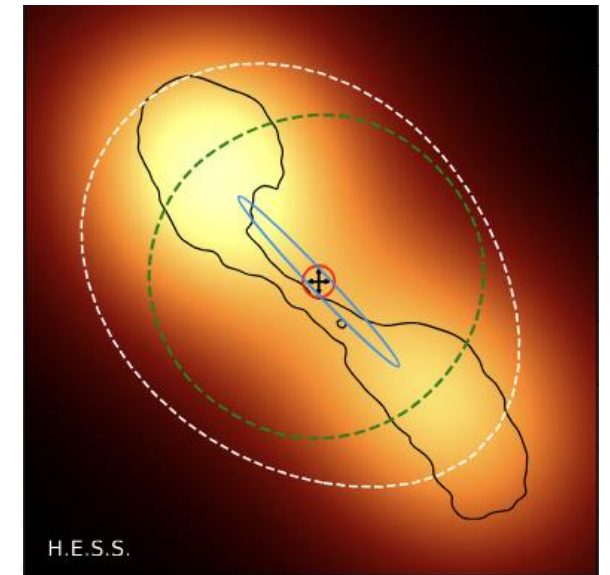
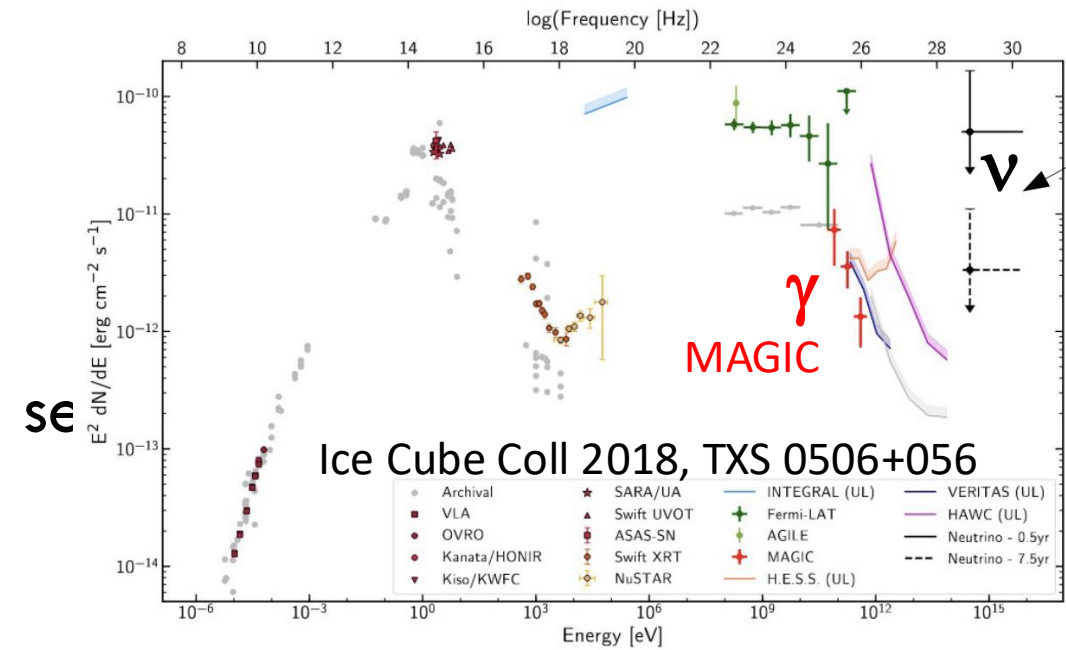


Links to Cosmic Rays & Neutrinos?

- Obvious: probing sites of cosmic ray acceleration and interaction
 - Pion decay leads to both neutrinos and gammas
 - IC emission from CR electrons
- BUT:
 - Efficient sources of UHECRs do not have to produce lots of gammas and neutrinos → particles need to avoid interaction to get to highest E and escape
 - Efficient sources of neutrinos do not have to produce UHECRs and lots of gammas → beam dump with no escape of particles or photons (γ - γ)
 - Efficient gamma-ray sources don't have to accelerate UHECRs
 - BUT if p-p then the neutrinos are there, just a question of sensitivity

Extragalactic Sources

- Extragalactic neutrino sources (so far) have strong internal γ absorption
 - Important constraints set by IACTs+Fermi-LAT
- GRBs established as TeV sources, but...
 - No clear link to UHECRs nor neutrinos
- Nearby (<GZK) extragalactic sources
 - Cen A – resolved kpc-scale jet emission with HESS
 - Looks like IC emission, co-acc. protons would reach \sim PeV
 - But UHE acceleration site may be different (e.g. Bell++ backflow) even if Cen A is a UHECR source (as seems likely)



Pevatron Shopping List

- ⦿ Detected VHE-UHE Emission
- ⦿ Spectral curvature
 - + Signature of E_{\max} , KN, spectral breaks, +++
- ⦿ Spatially-resolved emission
- ⦿ Correlation with target material
 - + Not perfect: i.e. emission is convolution of CR distrib. with gas
- ⦿ Energy-dependent morphology
 - + Expected in general due to energy dependence of transport and/or cooling, exceptions:
 - + **Bohm** diffusion of electrons ($r \sim \sqrt{D t_{\text{cool}}}$), $D \sim E$, $t_{\text{cool}} \sim 1/E$)
 - + **Advection** of protons ($t_{\text{cool}} = \text{const}$, $r \sim v t_{\text{cool}}$)
- ⦿ A multi-wavelength counterpart!

Highest Energy
Sensitivity

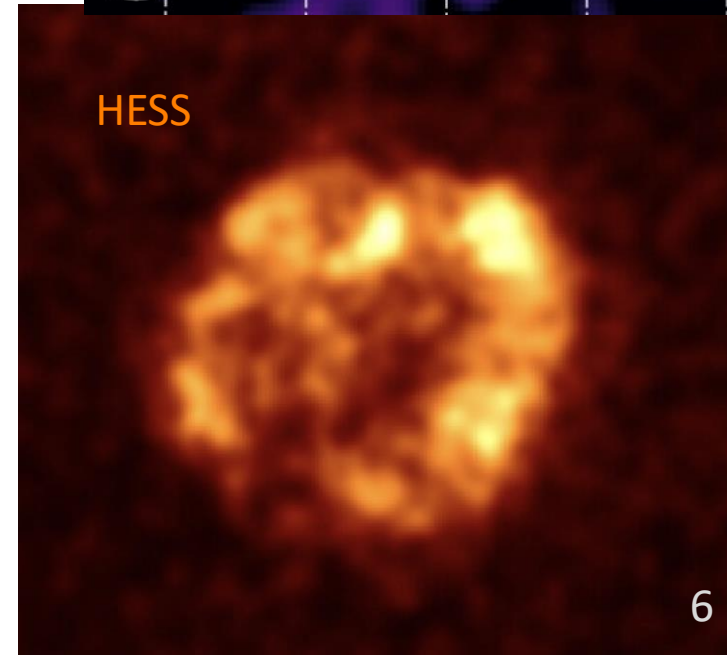
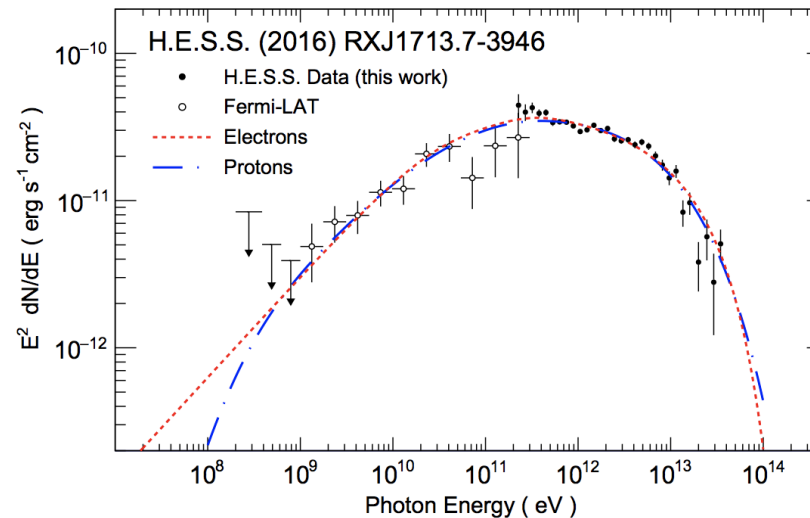
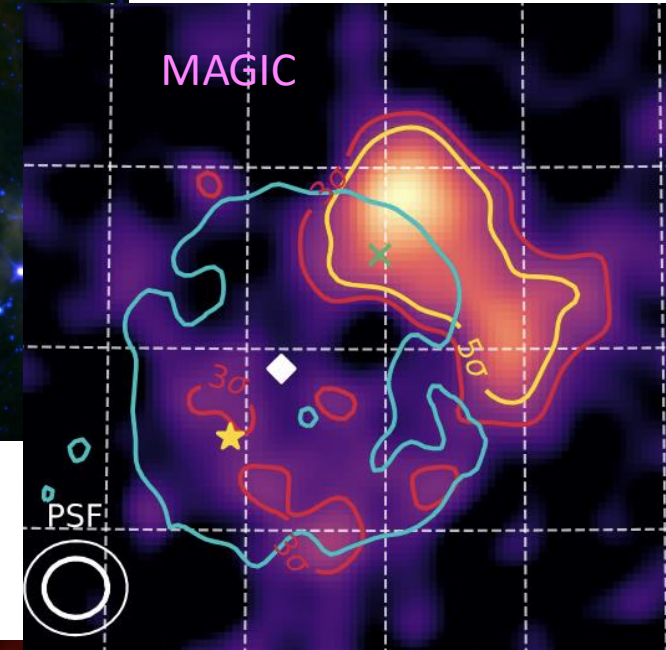
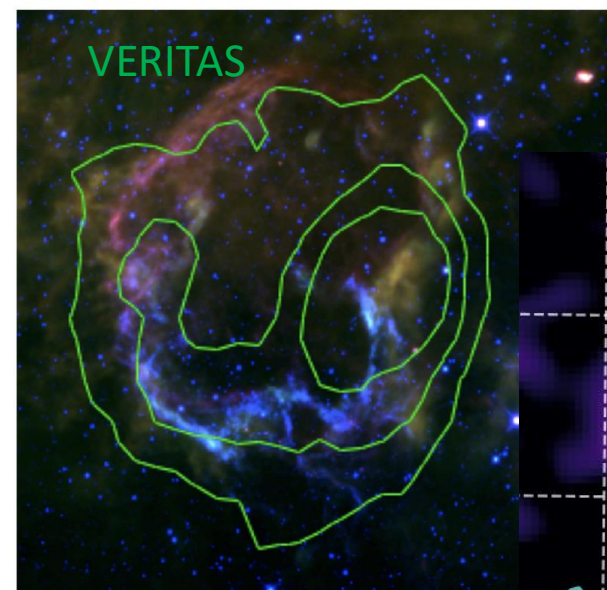
Wide band
Sensitivity

Angular
Resolution

Supernova Remnants

- Cherenkov telescopes played key role
 - Not much **new**, but ...
- Resolved shells → shock acceleration
- Dominance by IC or pion decay is clear in some cases but not others
 - Cloud associations +
- E_{\max} is ... disappointing?

→ Jacco's talk

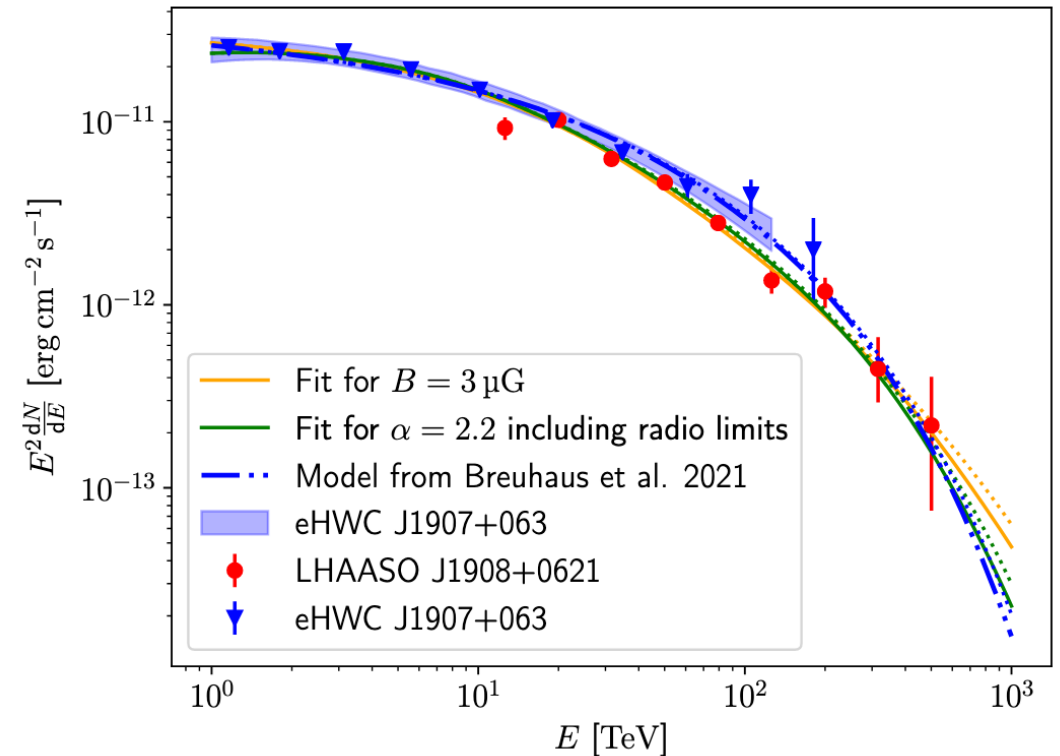


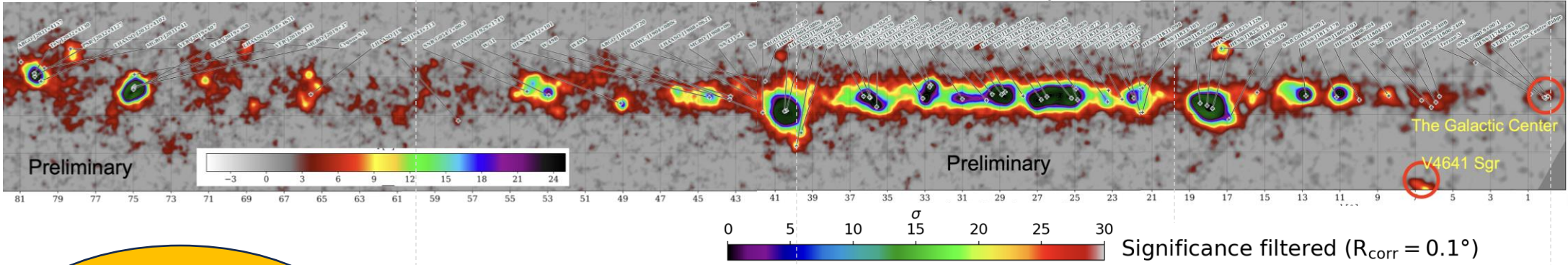
The UHE advance: LHAASO+HAWC

- **Northern** wide-field instruments with excellent UHE performance
- Emission beyond the reach of the Cherenkov telescopes (>1 PeV)
 - For many Galactic sources! But spectra are typically rather soft, e.g. J1908, inverse Compton model
- Modest resolution
 - Cherenkov telescopes needed to probe energy-dependent morphology, establish associations

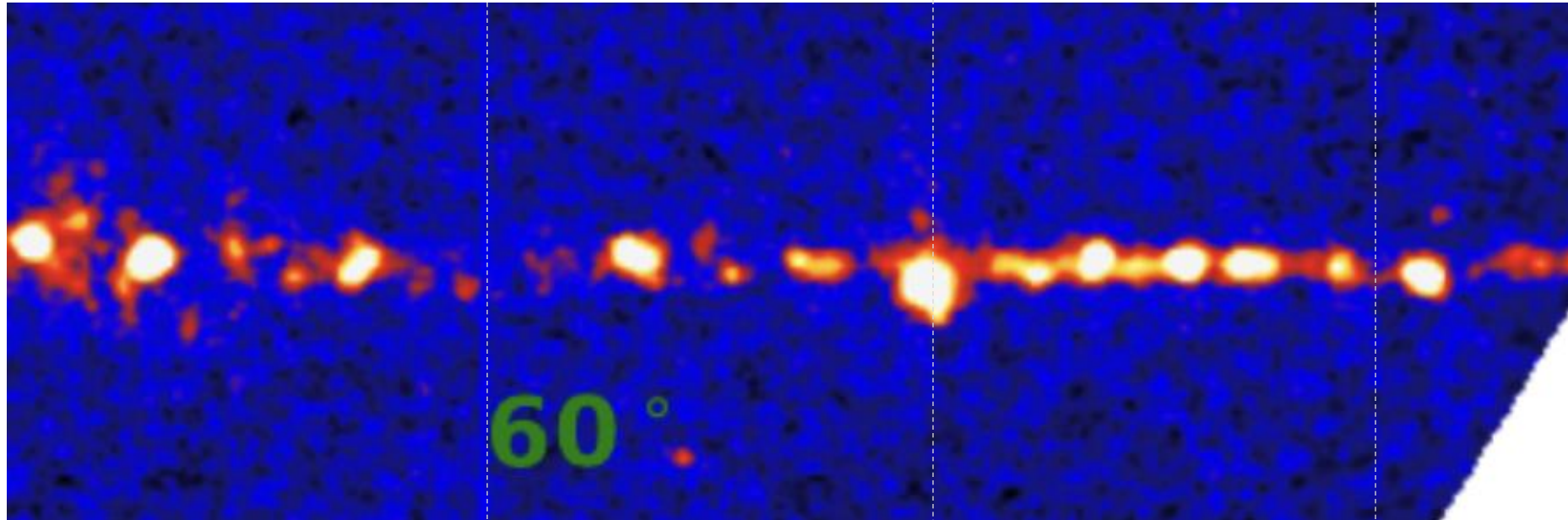
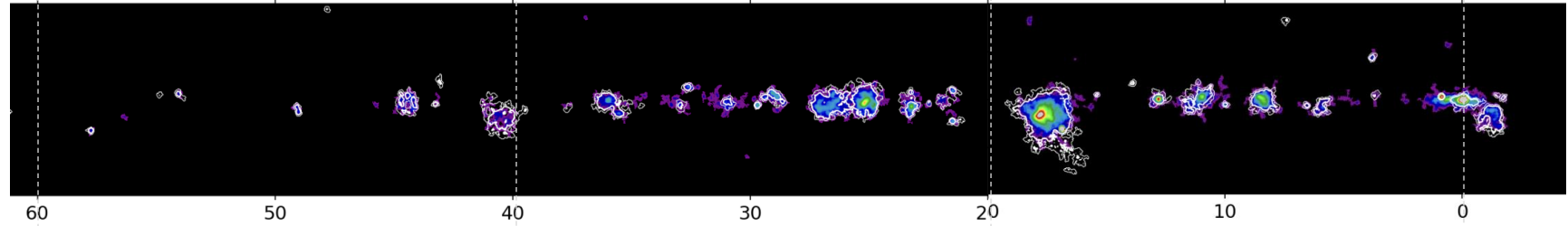
e.g.

M. Breuhaus, B. Reville, J. A. Hinton A&A 2022





Targeted observations:
VERITAS, MAGIC, LST-1



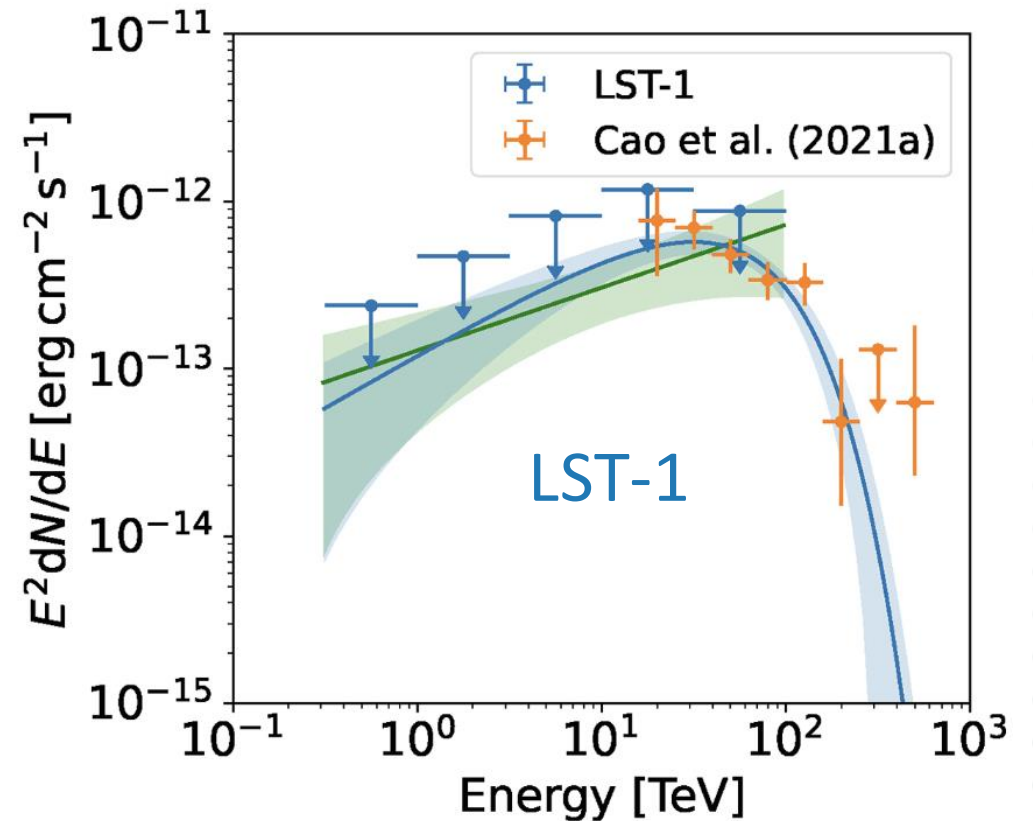
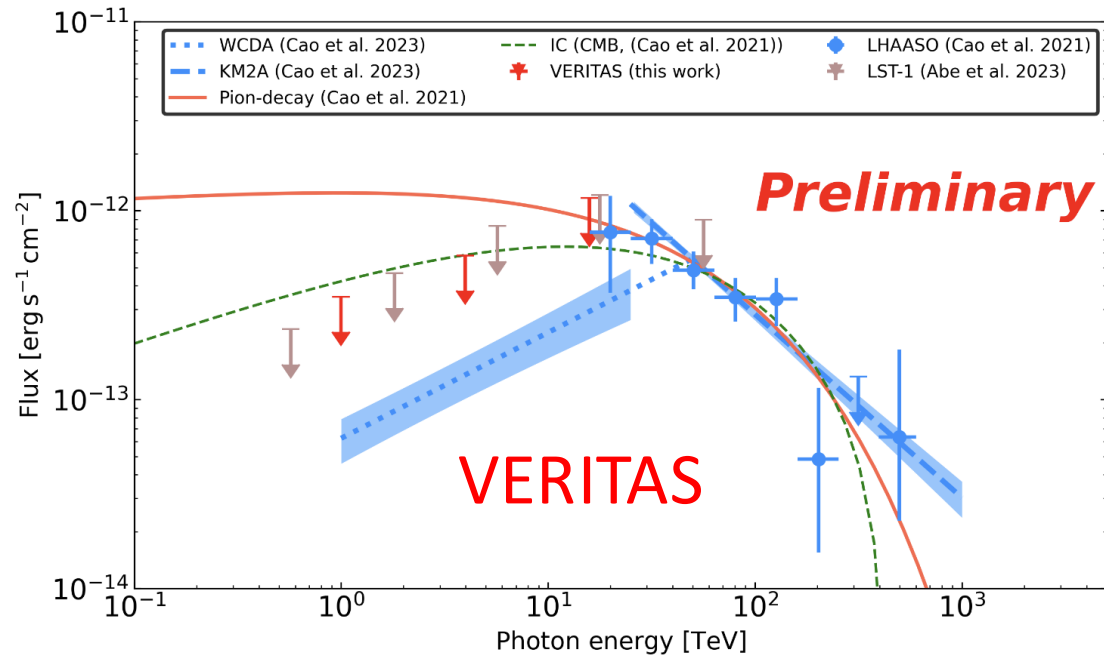
+ Updated HESS GPS
(Remy et al ICRC 2023)

+ 1st LHAASO
Catalogue :
KM2A



LHAASO Follow-up

- Northern hemisphere IACTs follow up of LHAASO UHE detections
 - Largely supportive of IC origin, many are PWN

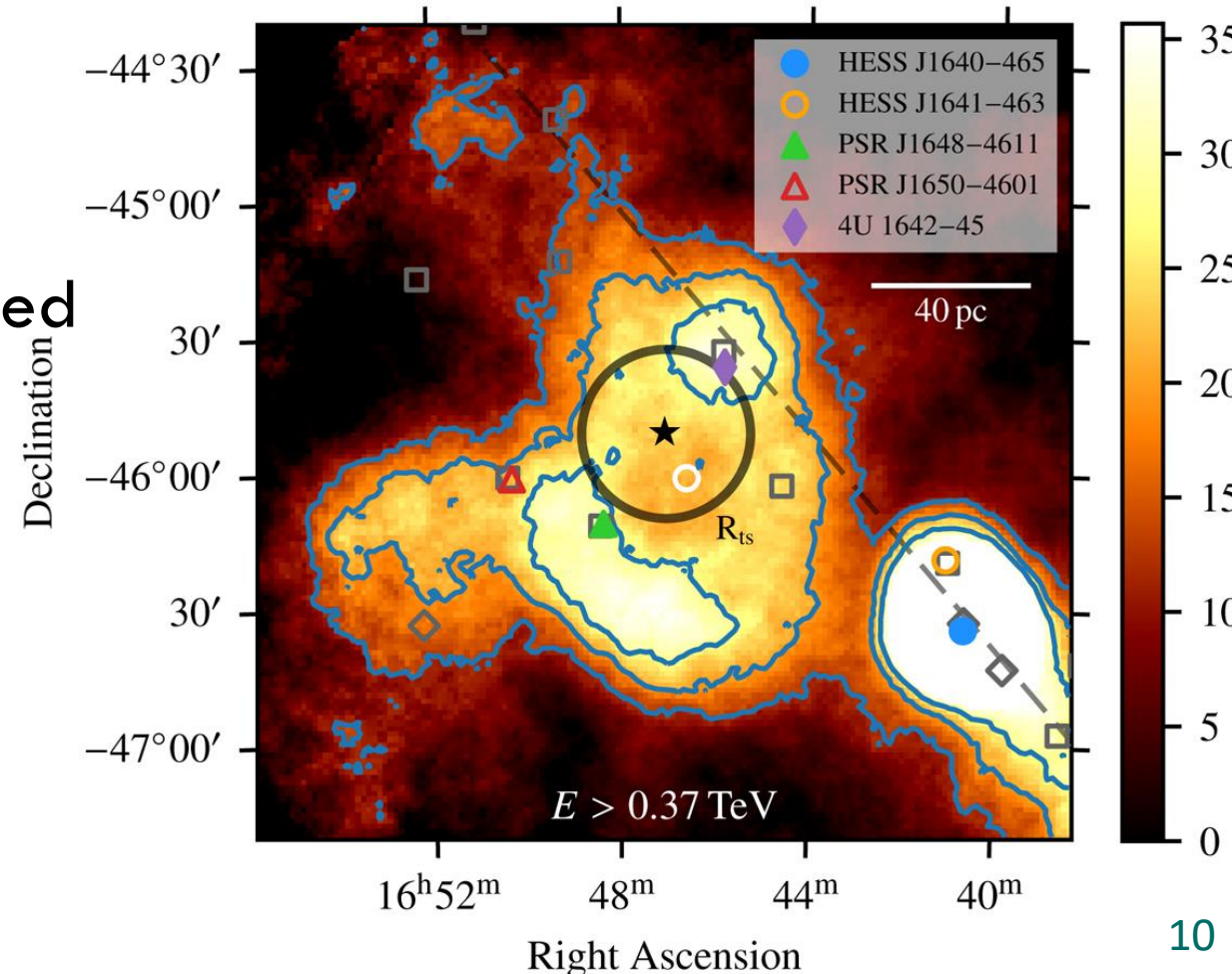


Massive Stellar Clusters

- Most massive stars born in clusters
 - Hence most SN explosions occur in/near clusters, plus
 - Wind-power significant (dominates until a few Myr, when SN ramp up)
- Direct evidence for acceleration associated to collective wind: Wd1
 - HESS sees shell-like emission around cluster close to expected radius of TS
 - Looks like IC from electrons
 - But co-acceleration of protons inevitable
- See Thibault's talk later

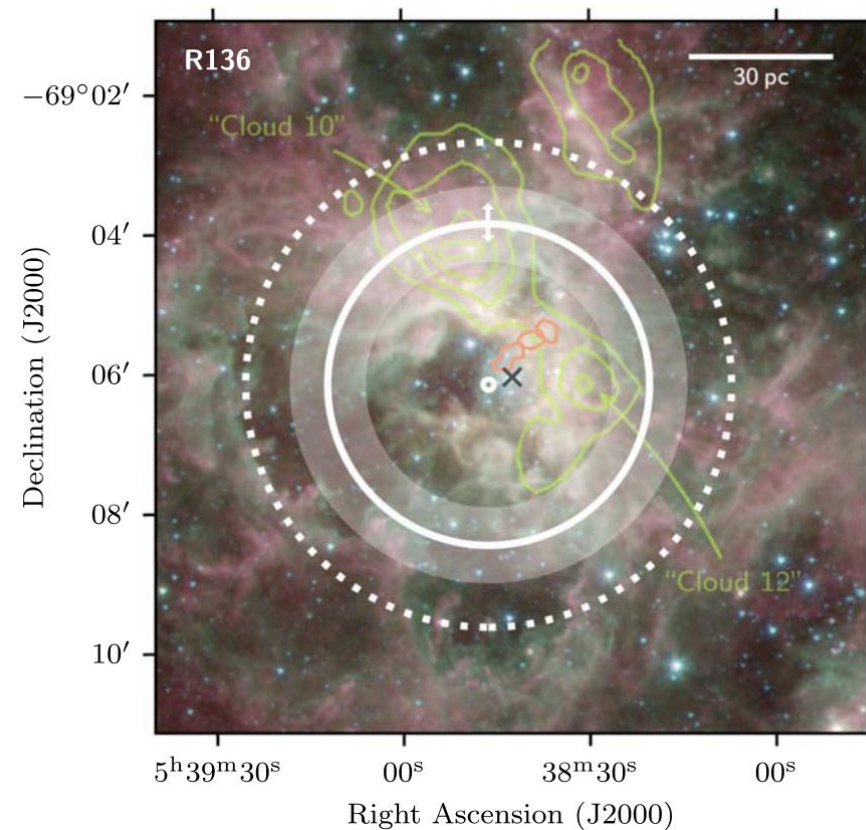
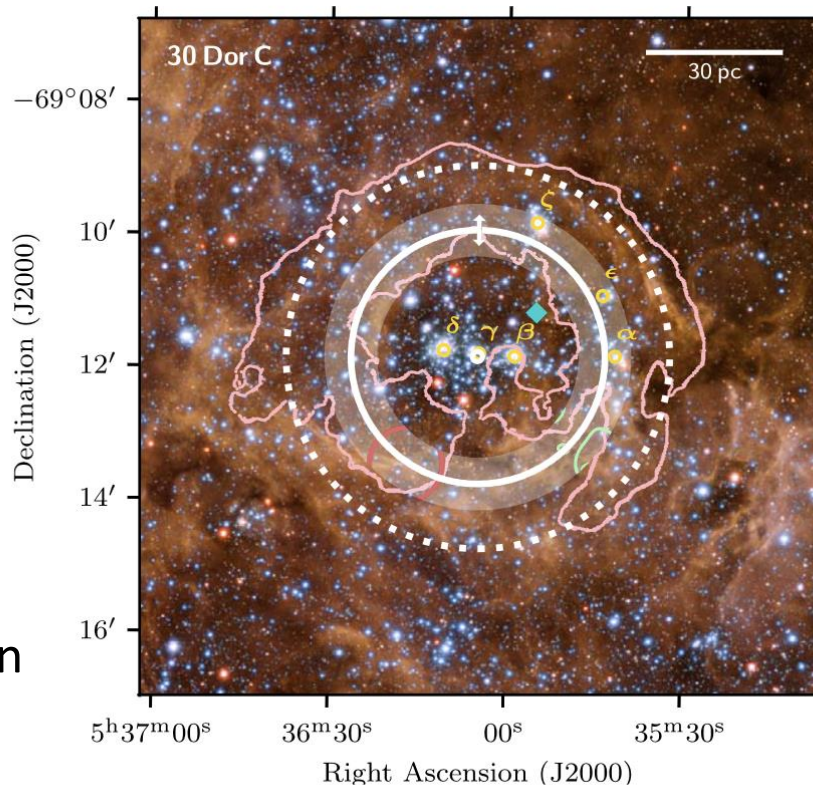
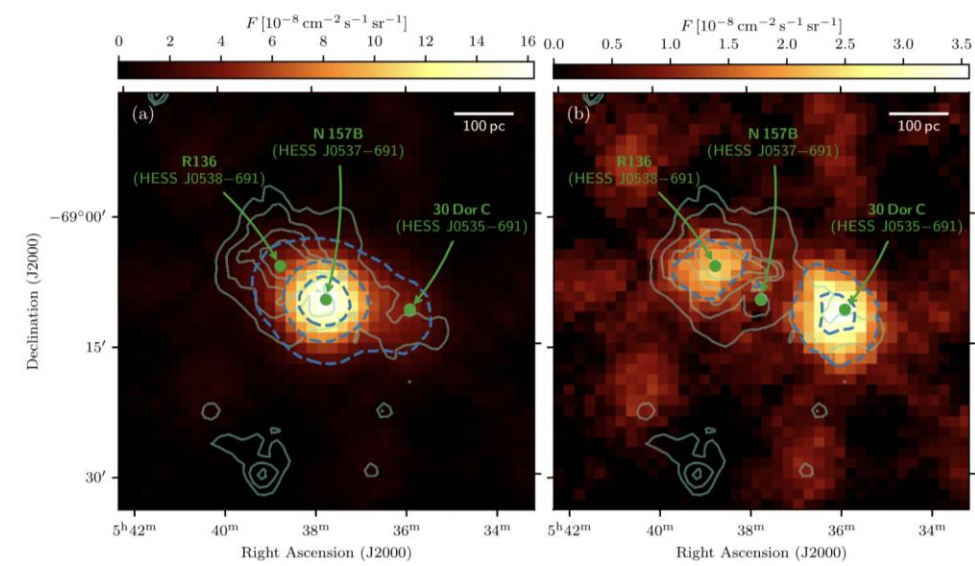


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Massive Stellar Clusters

- Is W1 alone? **No** – e.g. R136 in the LMC
 - And 30 Dor C – known for some time



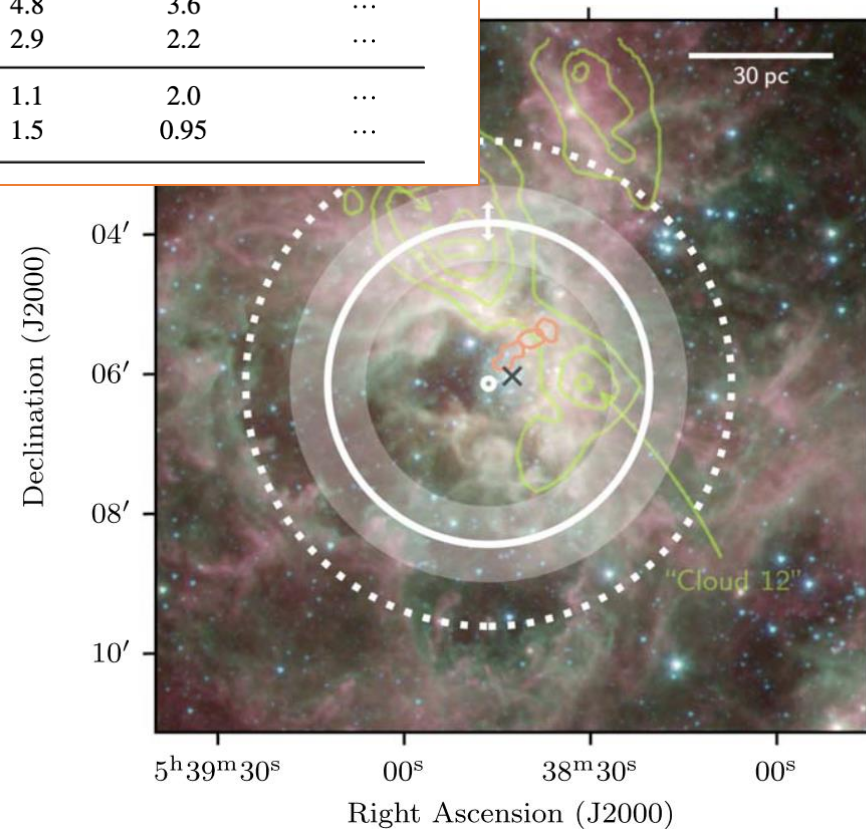
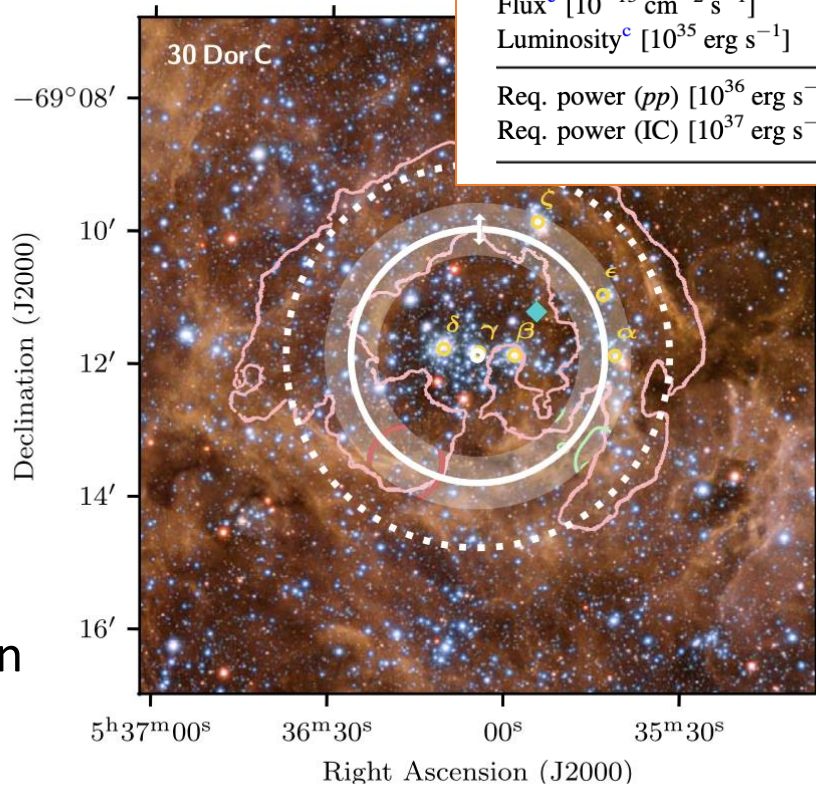
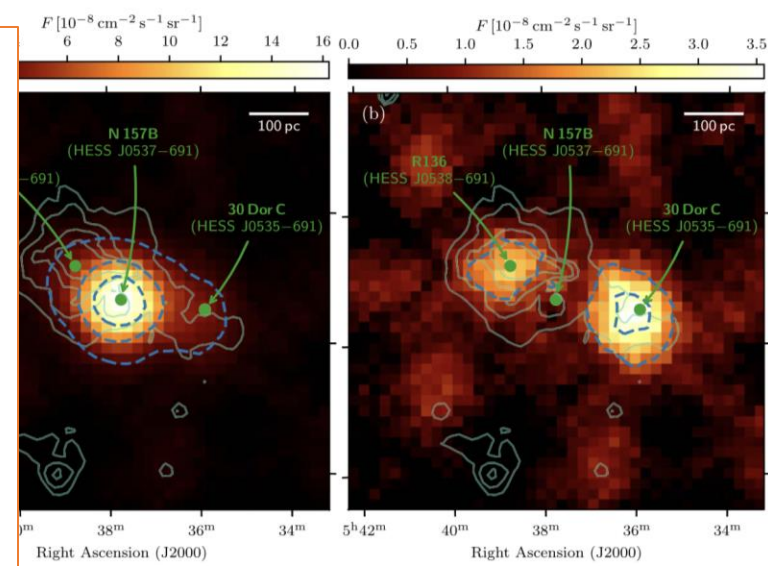
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Table 1
YMC Properties

Property	LH 90	R136	References
Cluster age [Myr]	4	1.5	1, 2
Wind power ^a [10^{38} erg s ⁻¹]	1.5	10	3, 4
Wind velocity [km s ⁻¹]	3000	3000	5, 6
Average ISM density [cm ⁻³]	100	100	7–11
Magnetic field [μ G]	15	15 ^b	12
SB radius [pc]	74	56	...
Termination shock radius [pc]	7.9	8.7	...
2D Gaussian width [pc]	27.8	33.5	...
68% containment radius [pc]	42.0	50.5	...
Spectral index	-2.57	-2.54	...
Flux ^c [10^{-13} cm ⁻² s ⁻¹]	4.8	3.6	...
Luminosity ^c [10^{35} erg s ⁻¹]	2.9	2.2	...
Req. power (<i>pp</i>) [10^{36} erg s ⁻¹]	1.1	2.0	...
Req. power (IC) [10^{37} erg s ⁻¹]	1.5	0.95	...



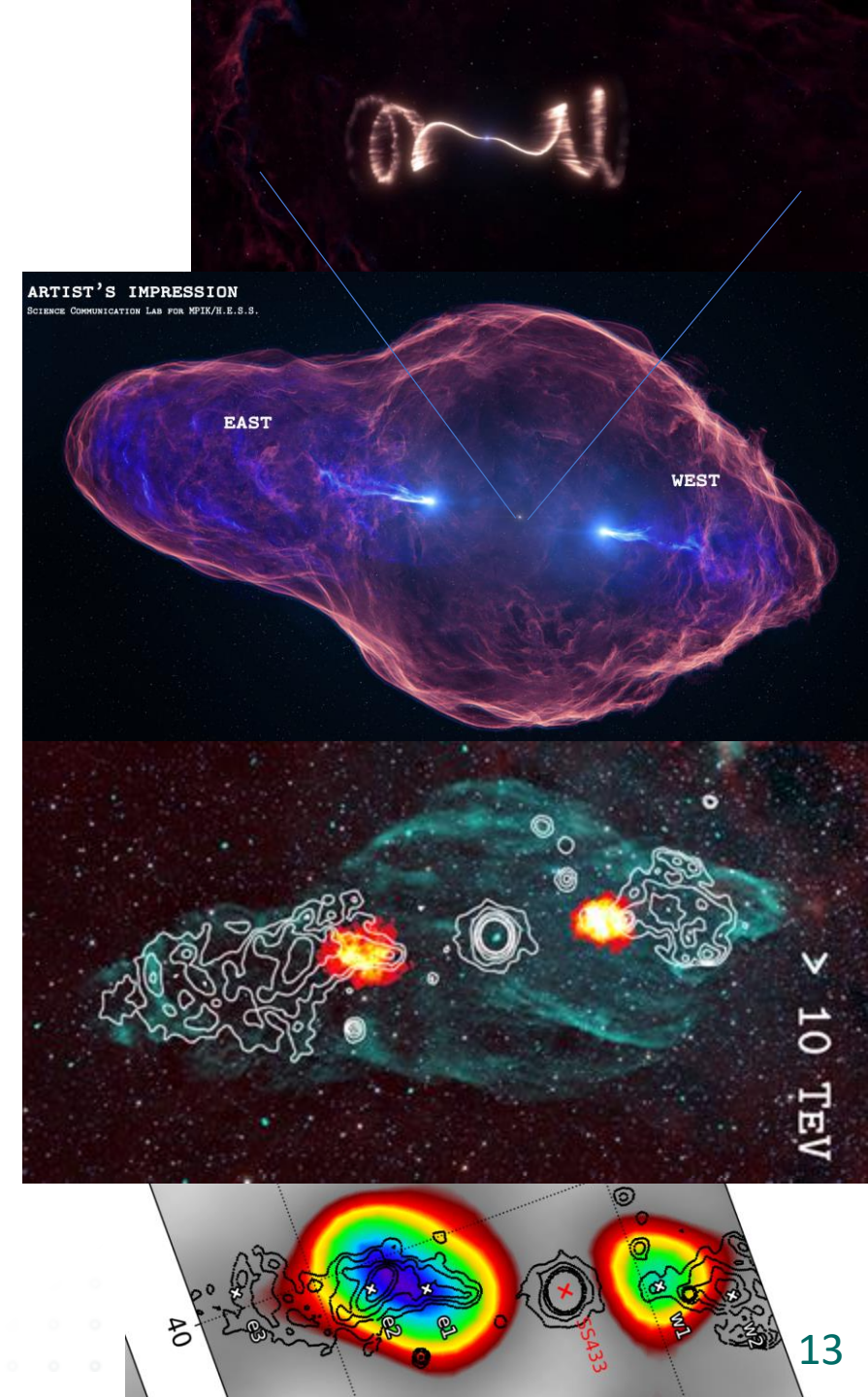
+Other galactic plane associations

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Microquasars

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 - Often relativistic
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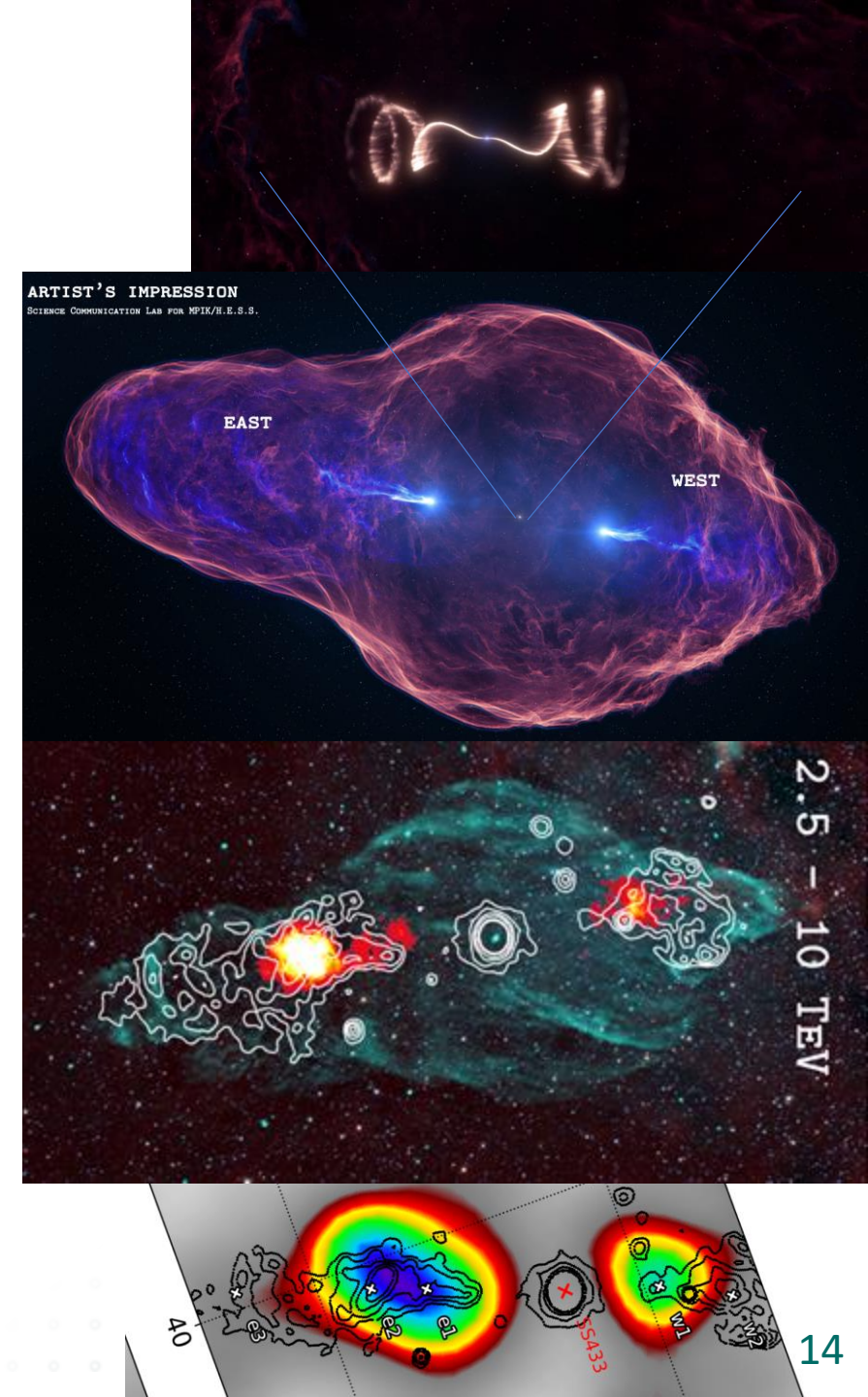
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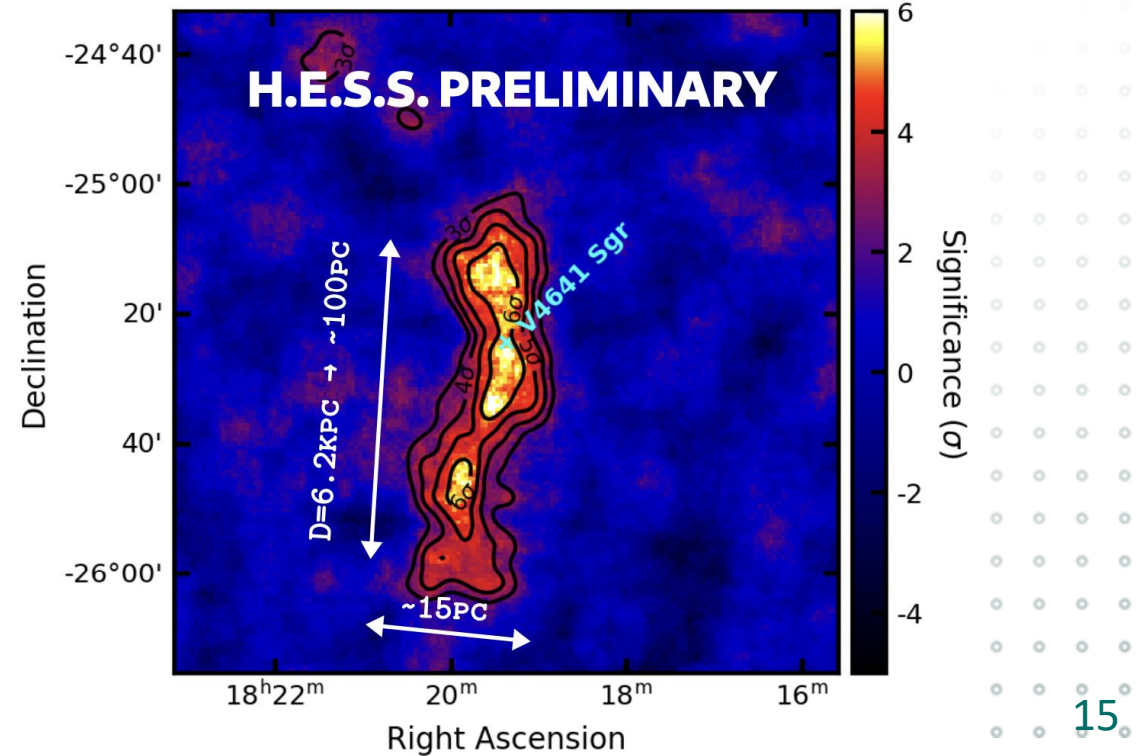
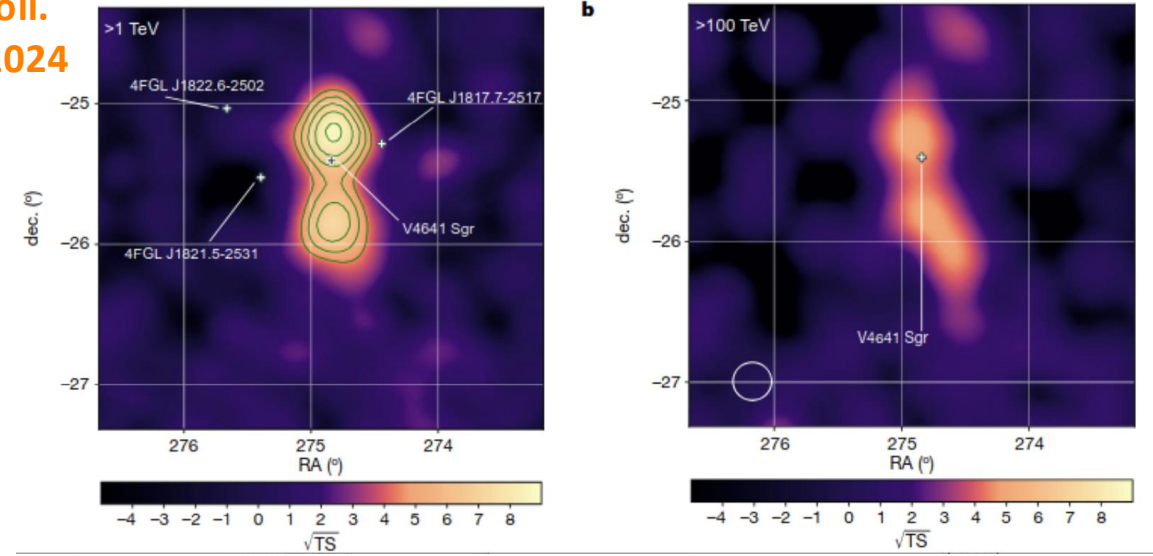
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 - V4641 Sgr (HAWC Nature 2024)
 - 5° off the galactic plane
 - Very large and consistent size with energy

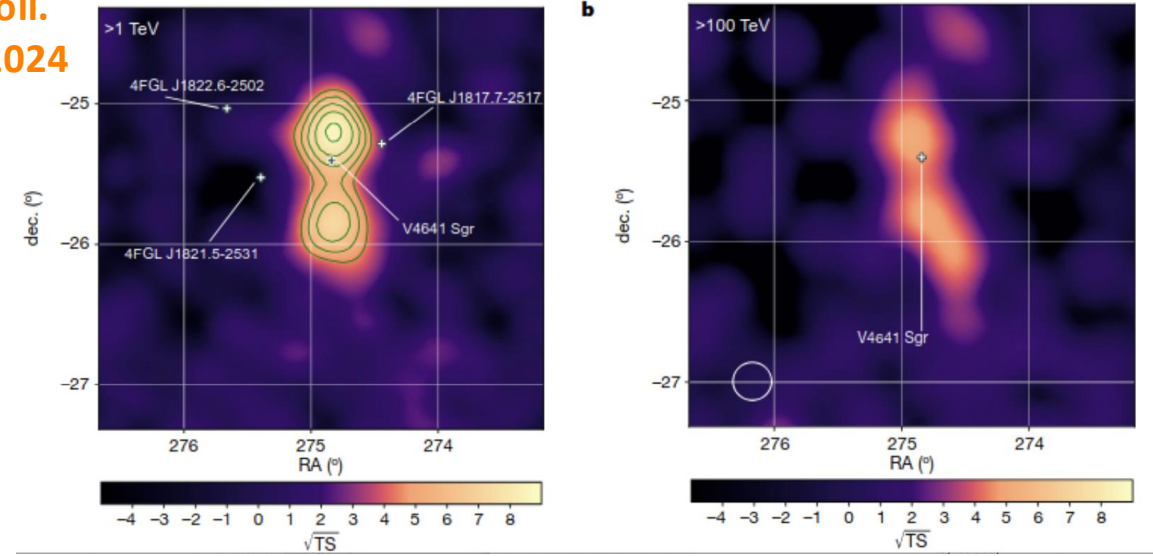
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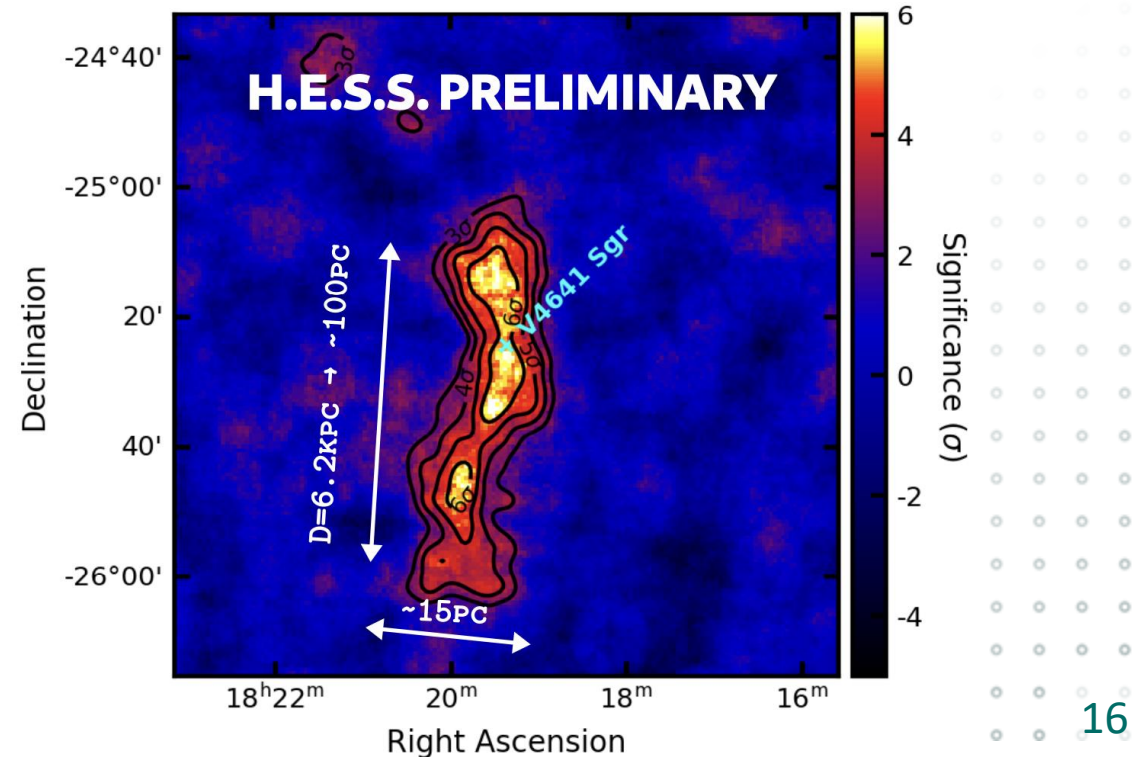
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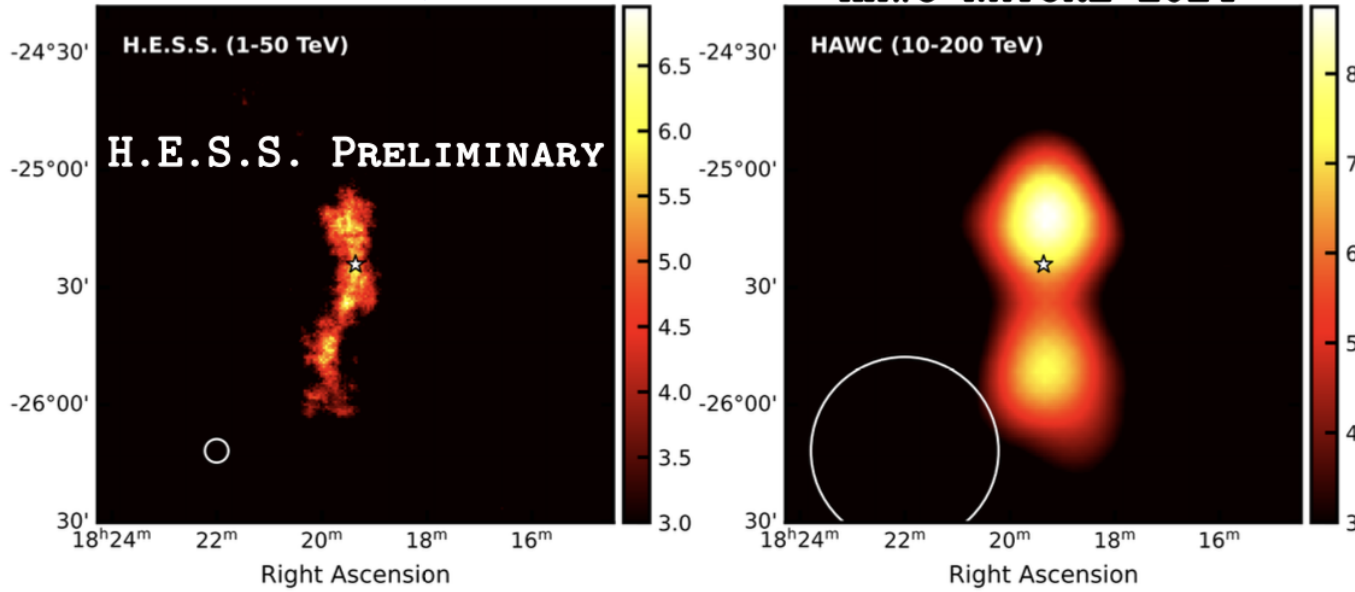
L. O-N CDY Talk

ESCAPED PARTICLES INTERACTING WITH...

- 1) GAS?
 - THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE MUCH THERE!
 - [DEDICATED OBS SOON \(PI: N. TSUJI\)](#)
- 2) A MAGNETIC FIELD STRUCTURE?



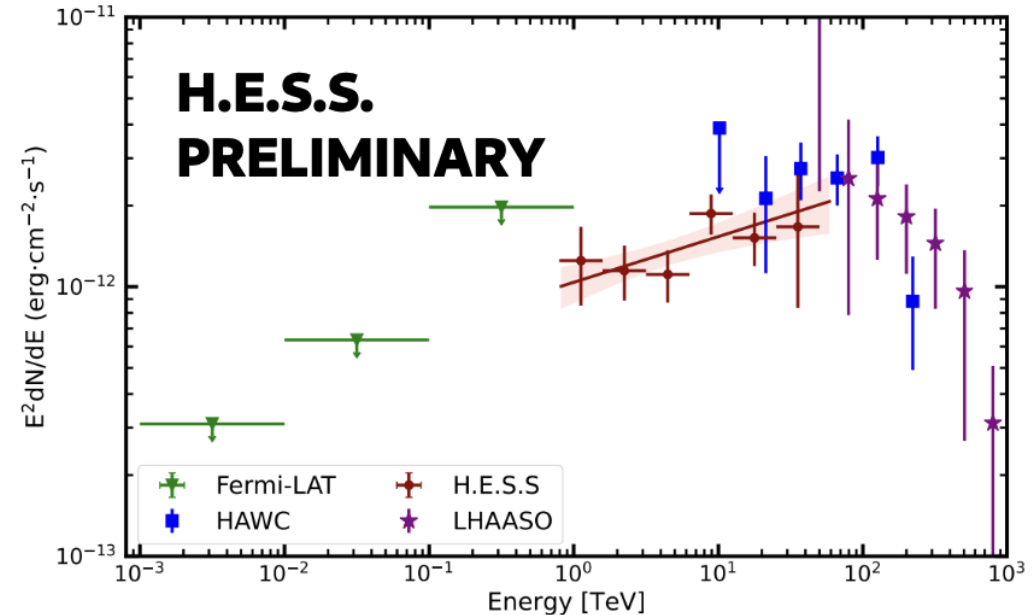
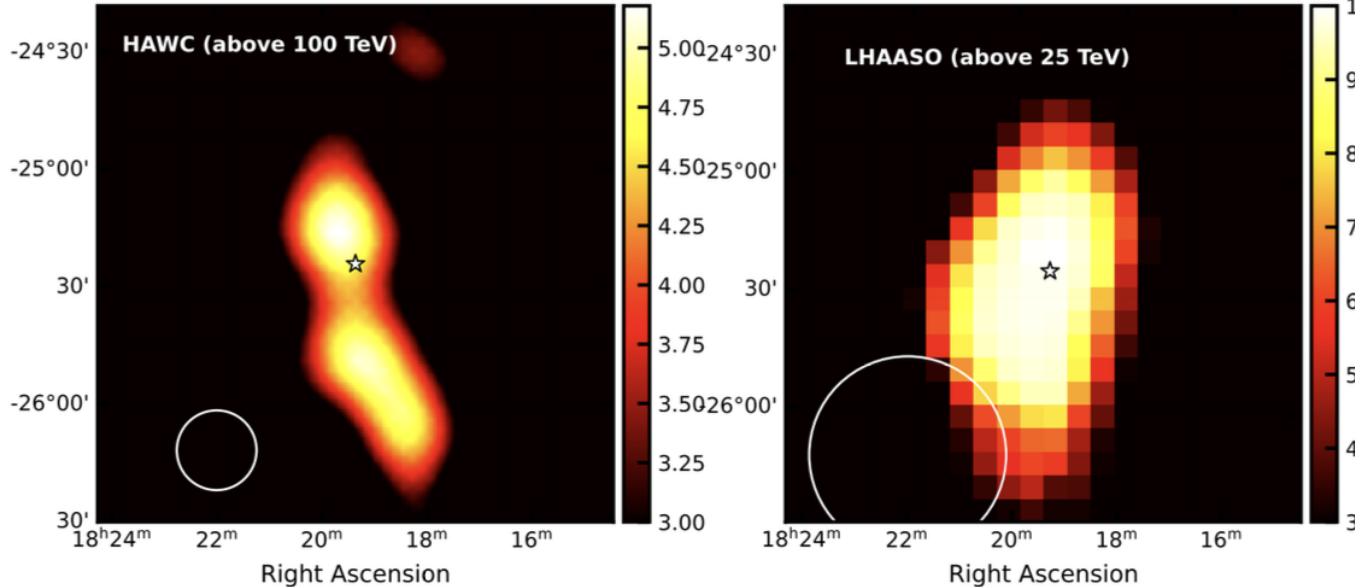
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**LHAASO DETECTED
PHOTONS UP TO 800 TEV
FROM V4641 SGR !!**

LHAASO COLLABORATION [2410.08988](https://arxiv.org/abs/2410.08988)

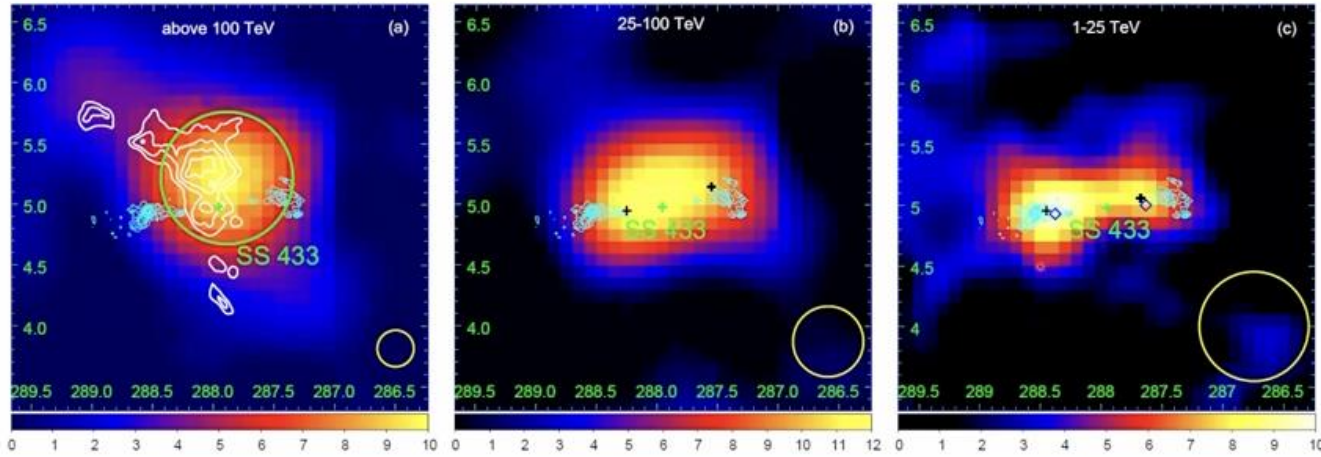
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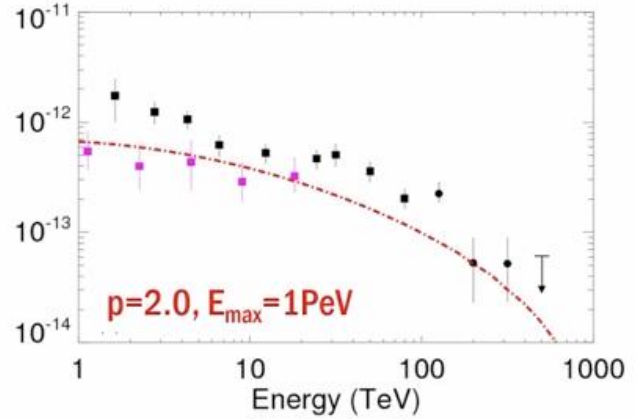
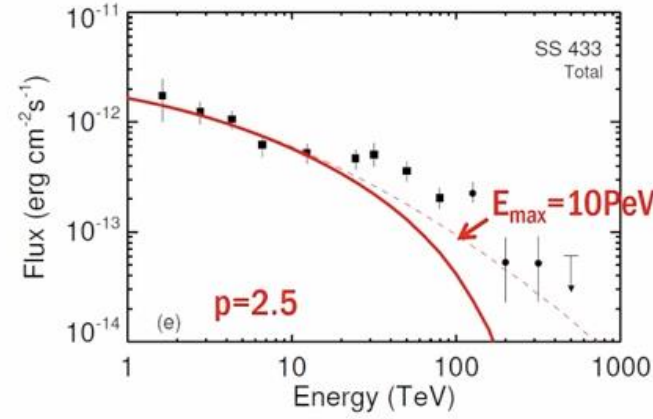
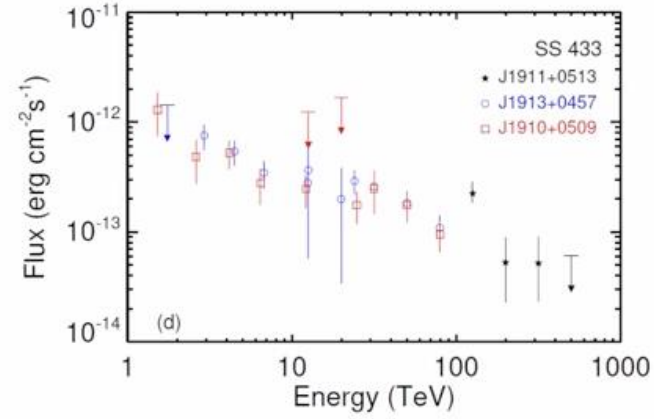
SS 433



dramatic change of the morphology between low energy and high energy

	1-25 TeV	25-100 TeV	above 100 TeV
ΔAIC	22.7	22.8	-12.5

$\Delta AIC < -10$ favors Gaussian model
 $\Delta AIC > -10$ favors 2PS model



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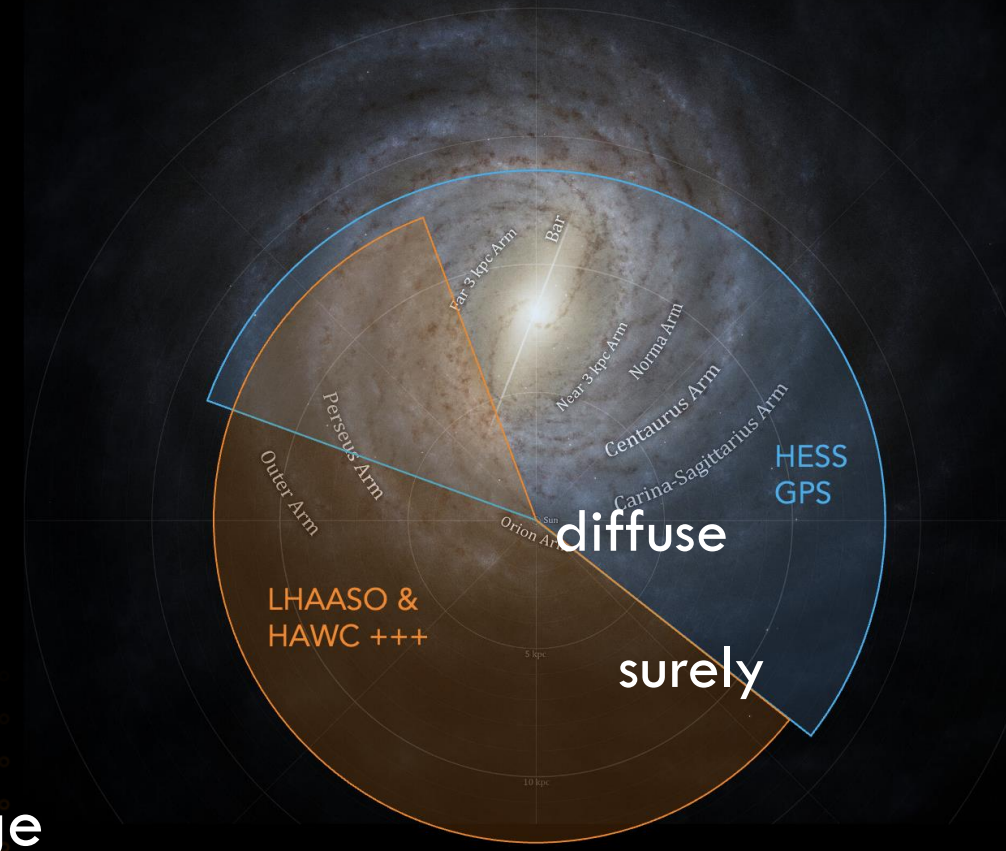
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How to make progress?

- Need UHE γ -ray capabilities in the south
 - PeV acceleration sites in the inner galaxy
 - Full sky TeV-PeV gamma map to compare to neutrino emission
 - ...and to the first Galactic neutrino sources – coming soon
- Need angular resolution as well as UHE coverage
 - Resolve accelerators and understand the physics
 - And deeper TeV range sensitivity (source populations, evolution, details!)

→ CTAO and SWGO

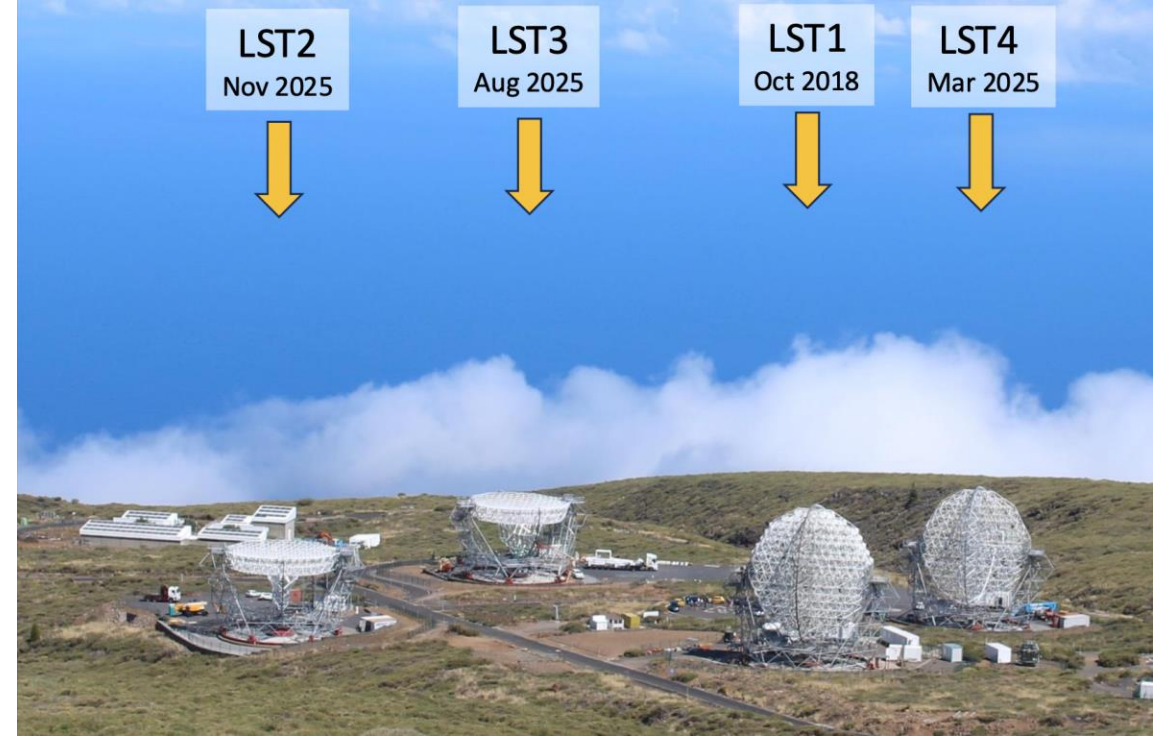


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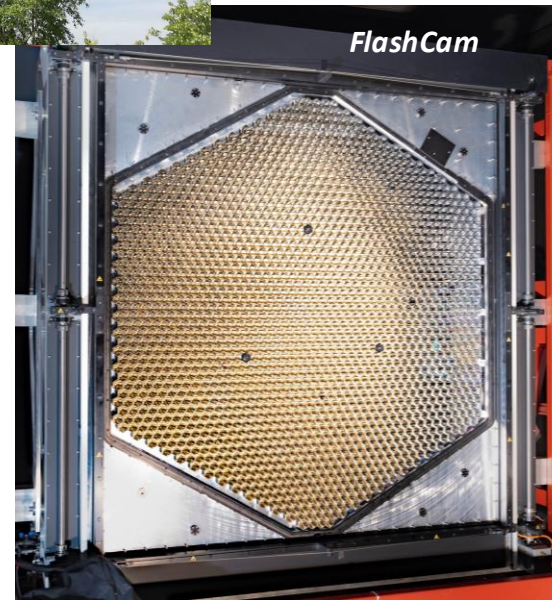
- Rapid progress on all fronts

Everything prototyped and tested

Preparations for first CTA South 'Pathfinders'

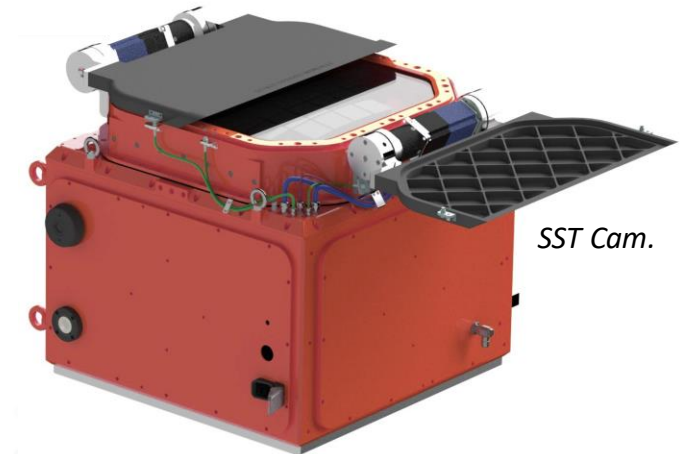


ASTRI array as proving ground for CTA SST technologies



Preparations for 'mass production' for Cherenkov Cameras

LST Construction in La Palma



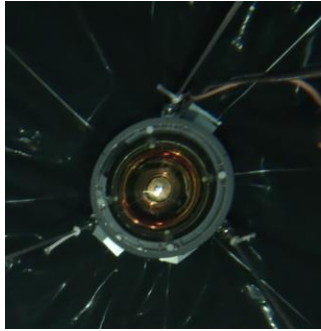
SWGGO Status?



SWGGO Site, Pampa La Bola, 4760 m



Double 8-10 " PMT module



FlashCam readout



Inner array baseline



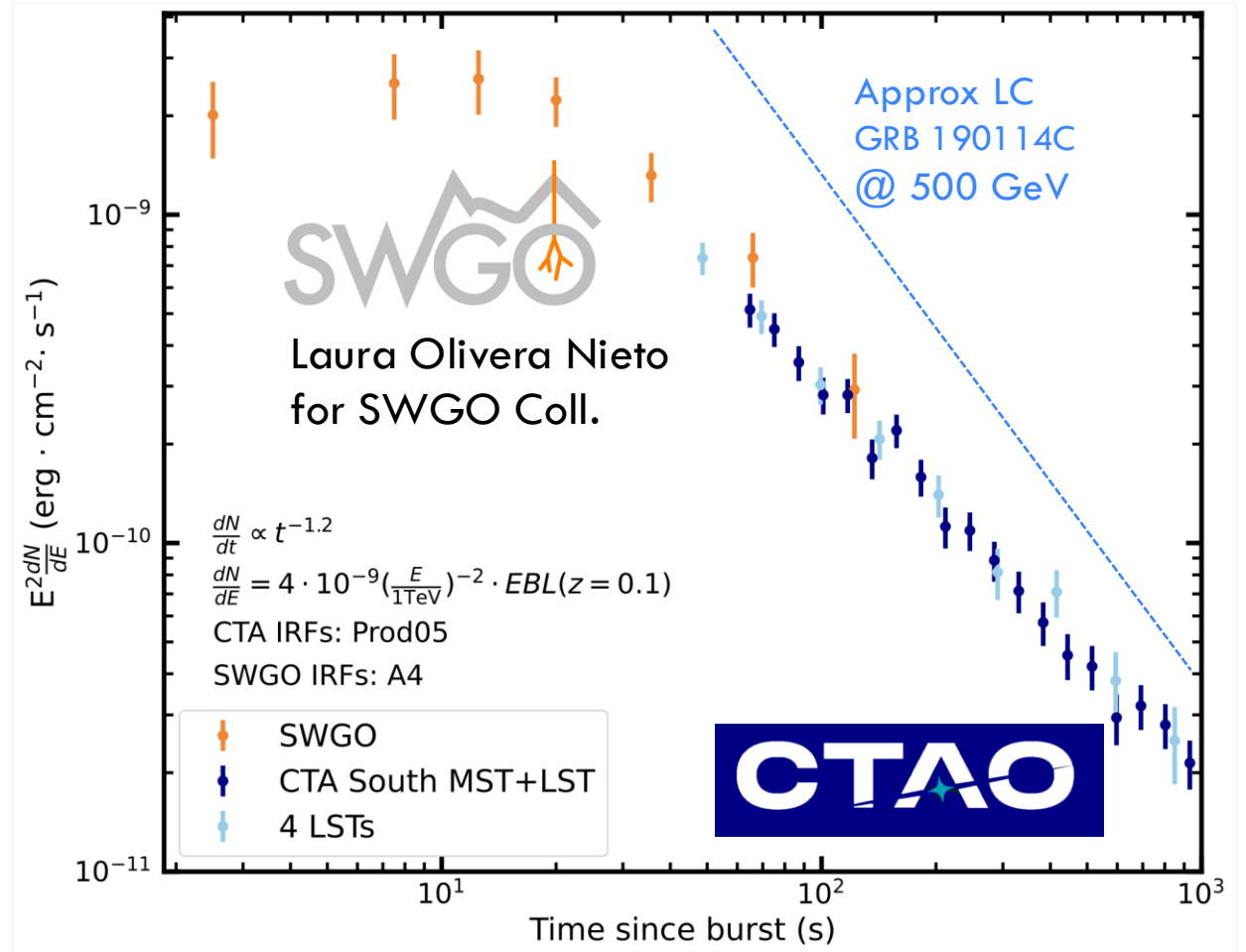
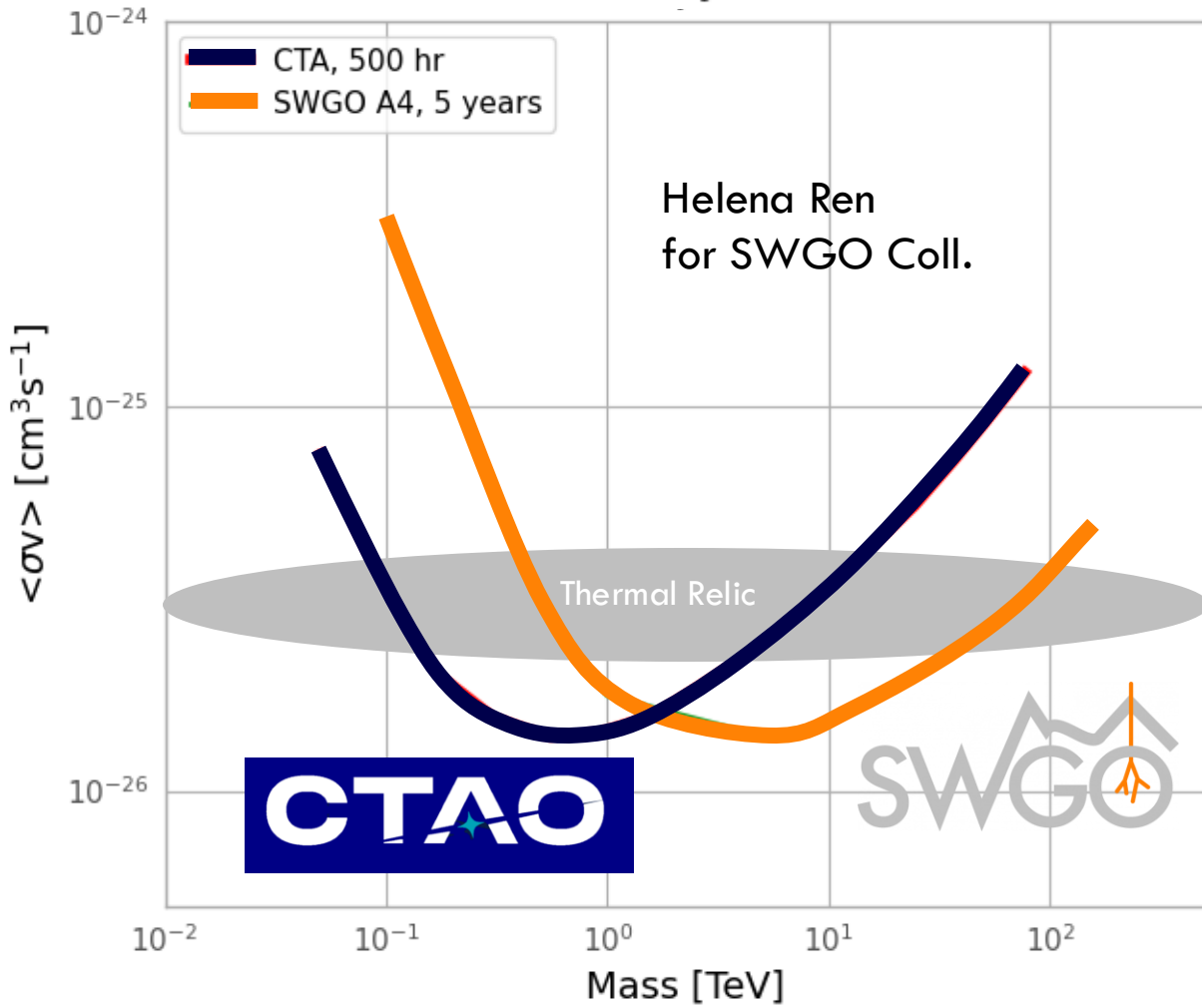
5.2 m diameter dual-layer WCD

Prototype @ HAWC



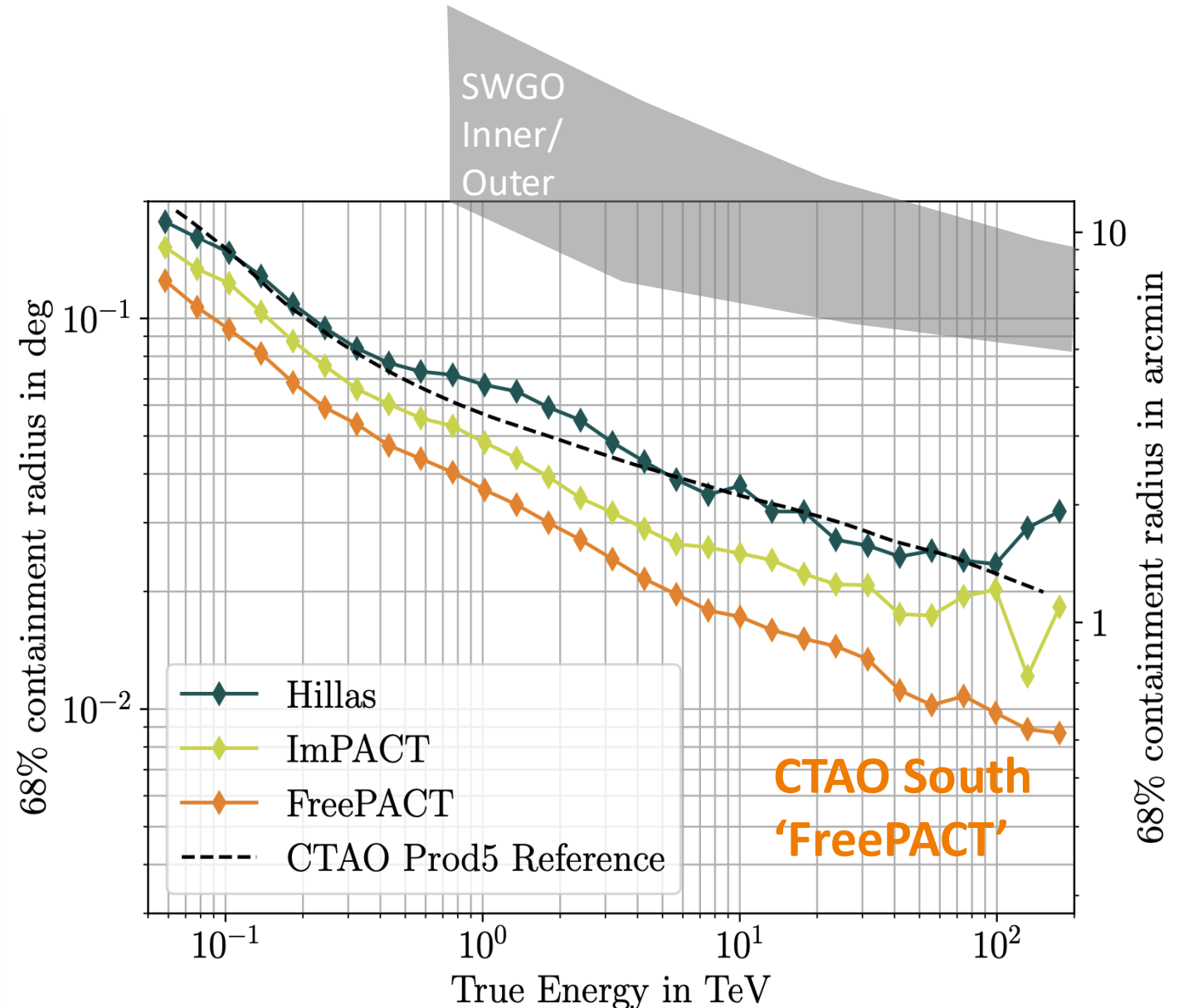
SWGGO+CTAO

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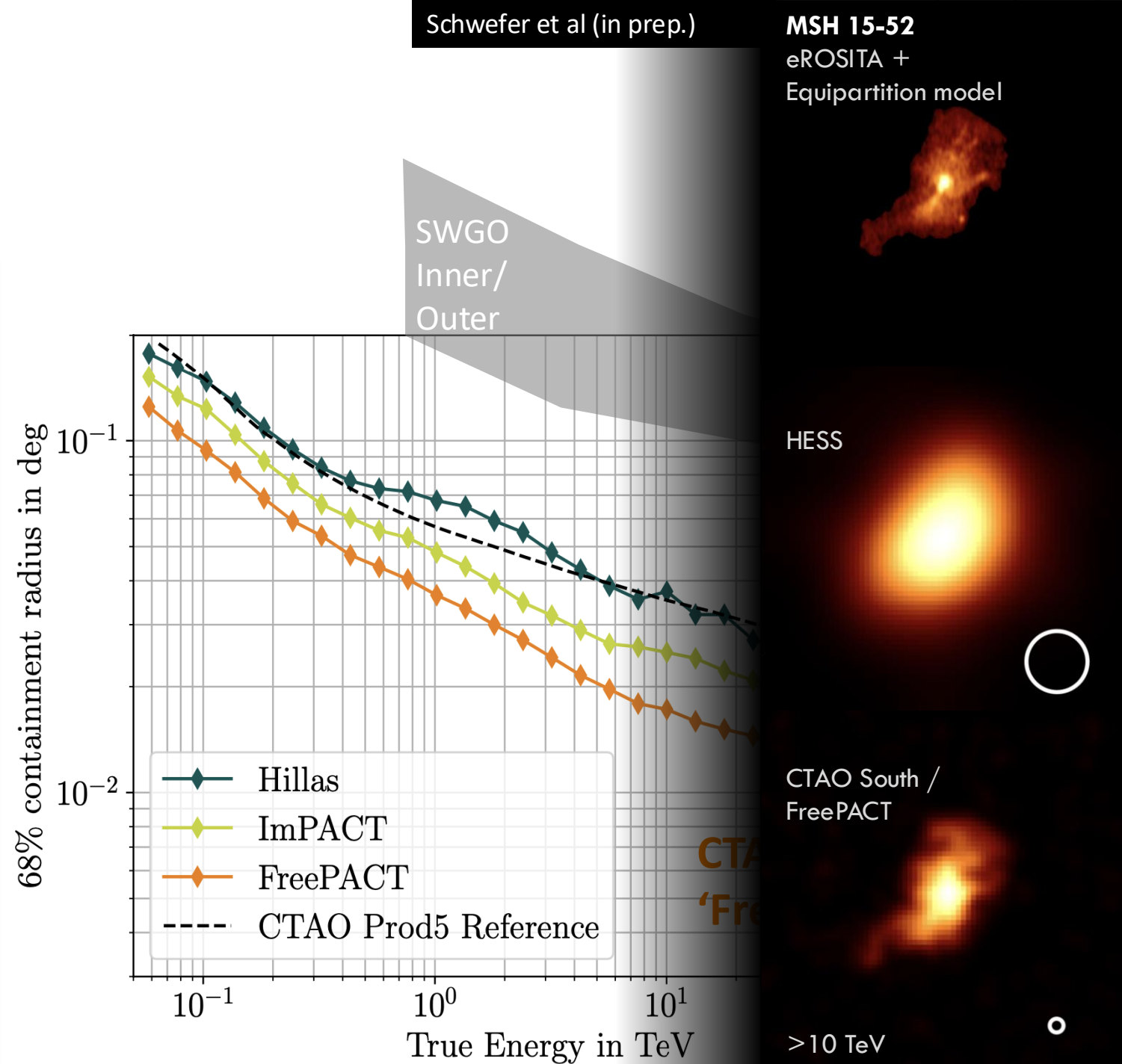
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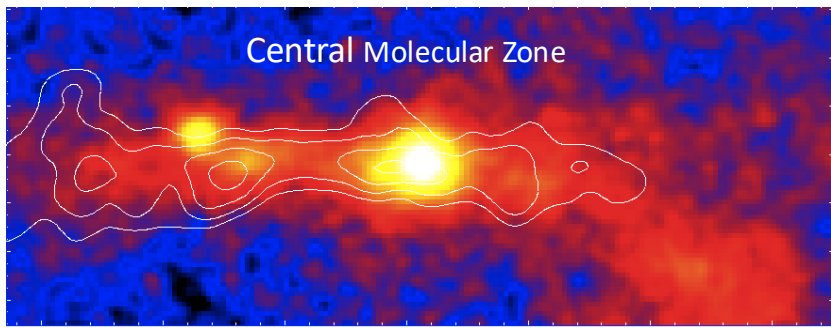
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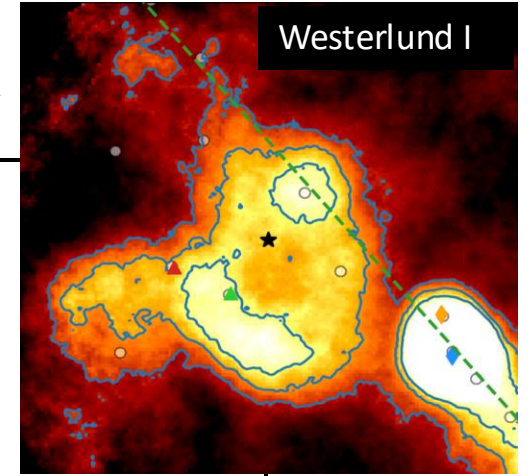
Conclusions

- Cherenkov Telescopes continue to play a major role in identifying cosmic ray accelerators
 - Recent advances on massive stellar clusters and micro-quasars
- Strong complementarity to ground-level particle detectors
 - IACT follow-up of LHAASO sources, resolution versus UHE/wide-field
 - Future CTAO + SWGO
 - NB also the direct CR capabilities of these instruments – CTA electron spectrum/anisotropy ++, SWGO mass-group resolved anisotropy, ...
- In general
 - Close link of gamma-ray and neutrino astronomy (which will grow in the future) and of course to cosmic rays

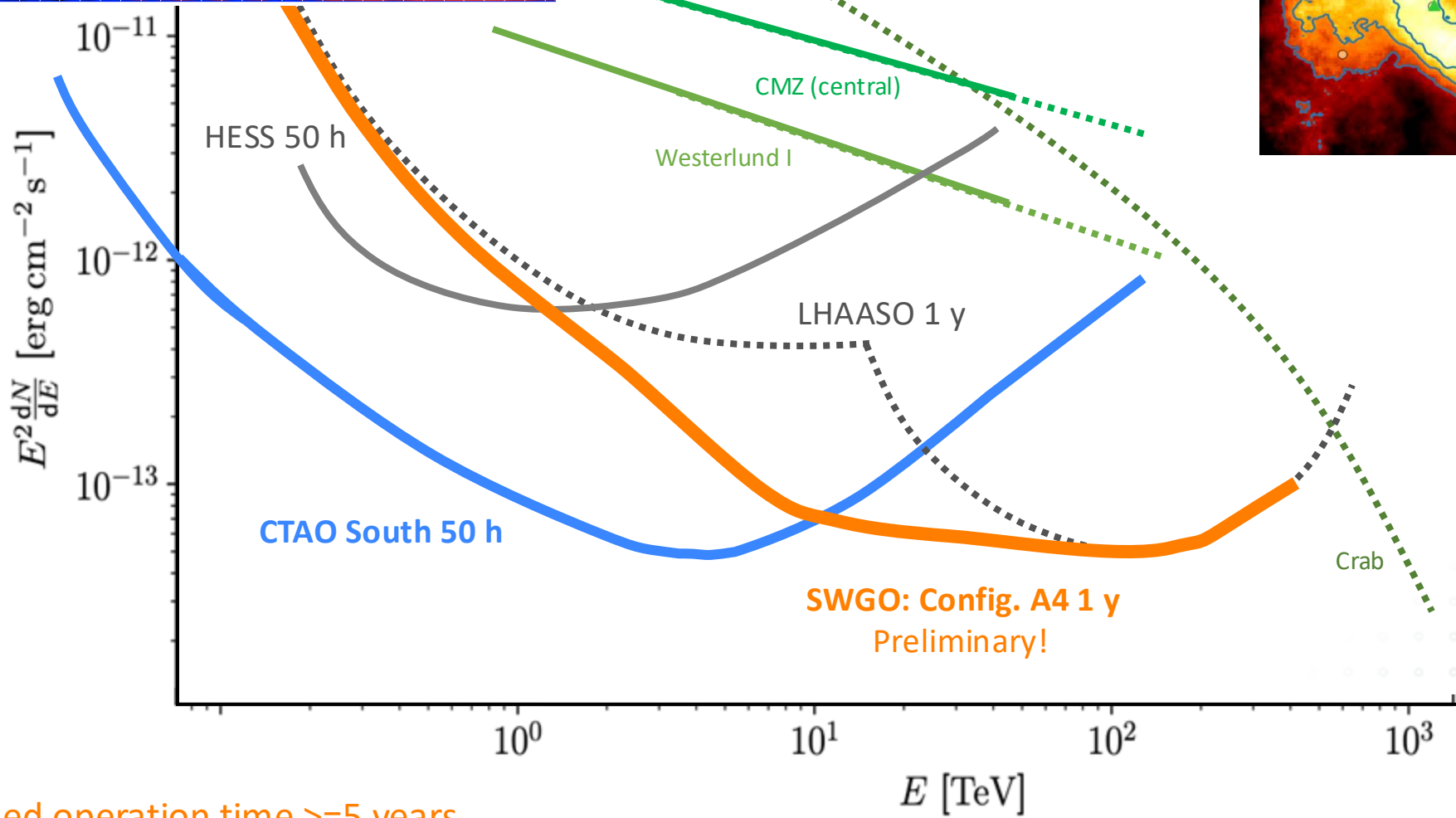


Central Molecular Zone

Southern Hemisphere UHE sources



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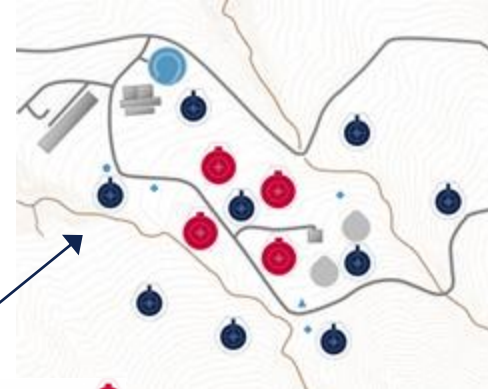


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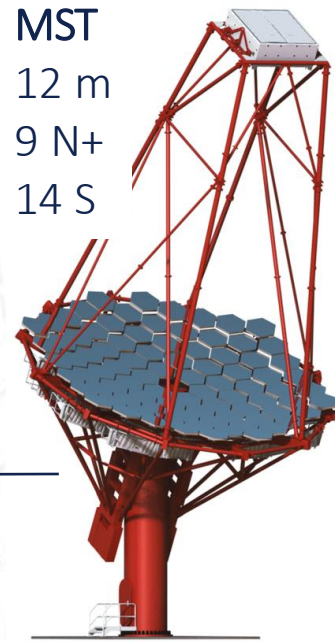
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MST
12 m
9 N+
14 S



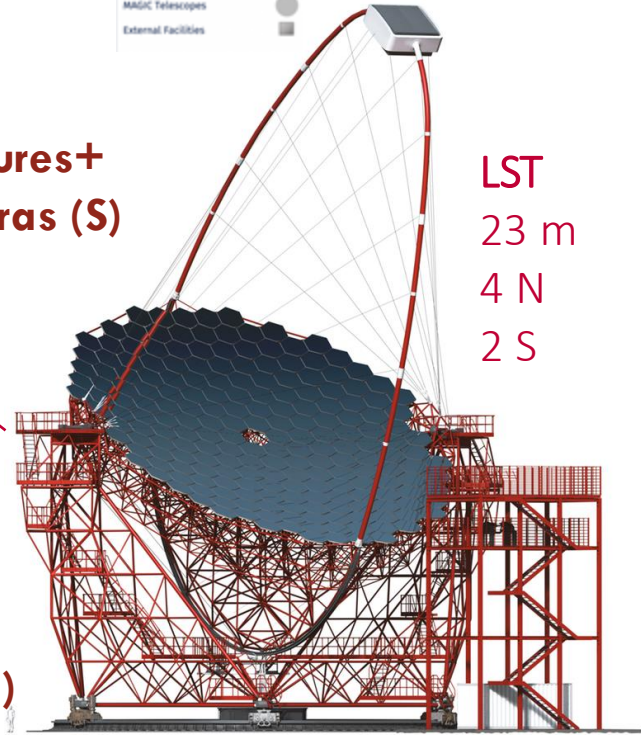
La Palma

- LEGEND
- Large-Sized Telescope (LST)
 - Medium-Sized Telescope (MST)
 - CTAO Operations Building & Other Calibration Devices
 - Weather Station
 - Stellar Photometer
 - Raman LIDAR
 - Road
 - Gradient
 - MAGIC Telescopes
 - External Facilities



DE:
Structures+
Cameras (S)

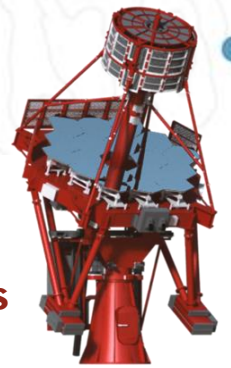
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23 m
4 N
2 S



DE:
Structures+ (N)

SST
4 m
42 S

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Cameras



CTAO Initial Phase Plan