

# Status and prospect for AMS-02



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AMS is observing charged cosmic rays in the  
**O(GeV)-O(TeV)** energy range

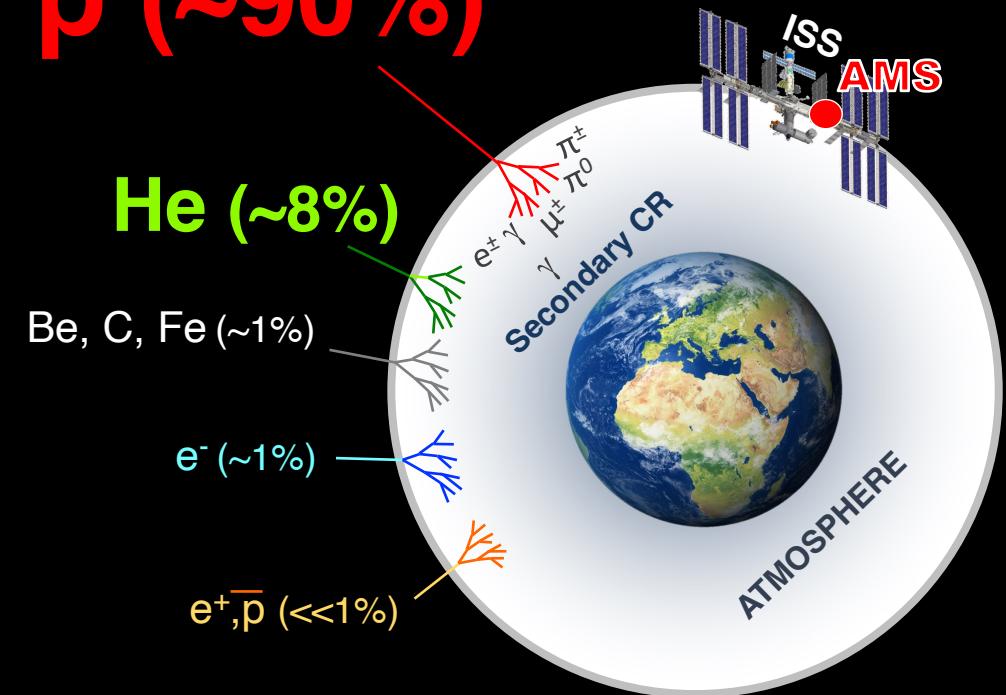
**p (~90%)**

**He (~8%)**

Be, C, Fe (~1%)

e<sup>-</sup> (~1%)

e<sup>+</sup>, p (~<1%)



AMS has collected  
**208,592,047,799**  
cosmic ray events  
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# AMS-02: OBJECTIVES

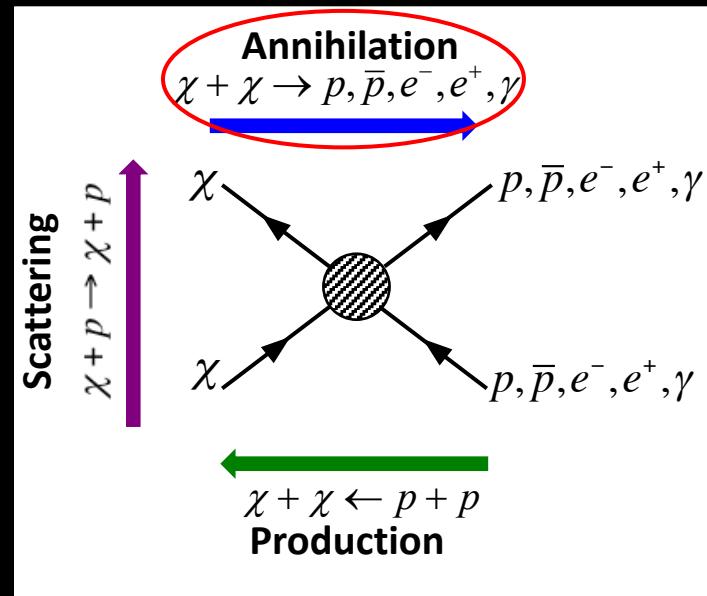
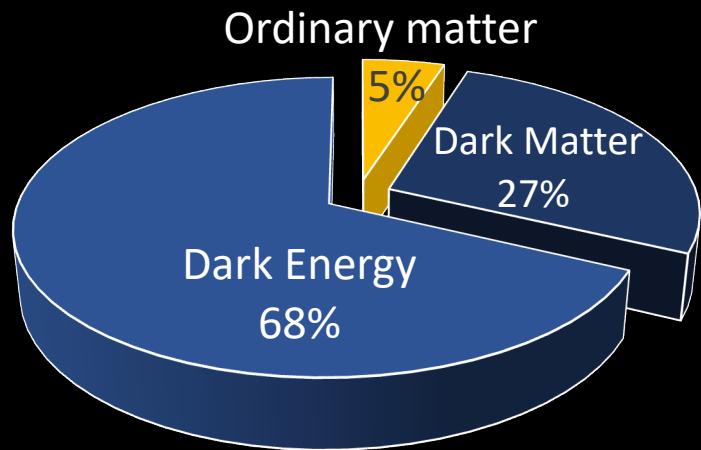
- ▶ Primordial antimatter search (anti-nuclei) with sensitivity of  $10^{-9}$

## Dirac's Nobel Speech

*"We must regard it rather as an accident that the Earth [...] contains a preponderance of negative electrons and positive protons. It is quite possible that for some stars it is the other way about."*



- ▶ Indirect Dark Matter search ( $e^+$ ,  $p$ , ...)



- ▶ Improving the knowledge about CR source, acceleration and propagation in the Interstellar Medium

# AMS-02: OBJECTIVES

## PROTONS AND NUCLEI FLUXES

Protons → Chance of selecting a proton randomly: ~90%.  
nuclei → “easily” selected by charge value

## RARE COMPONENTS OF CRs ( $e^-$ , $e^+$ , $\bar{p}$ , ...)

- 1 electron every  $10^2$ - $10^3$  protons
- 1 positron every  $10^3$ - $10^4$  protons
- 1 anti-proton every  $10^4$  protons

**Major challenge:** a correct measurement of the charge.

### What is needed?

#### → Particle identification and E measurement up to TeV:

- ▷ e/p separation at the  $10^4$  level by means of independent detectors
- ▷ Z: redundant measurements to evaluate fragmentation along the detector
- ▷ Charge sign: matter to anti-matter separation (magnetic field!)

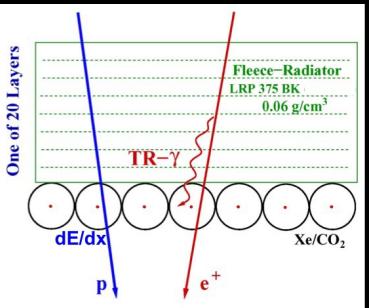
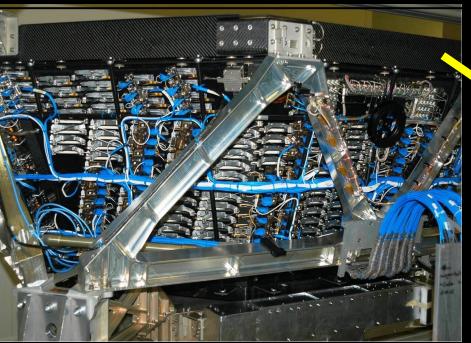
#### → Statistics

- ▷ Acceptance & efficiency: **size**
- ▷ Exposure time: **space**

# AMS-02: A TeV precision magnetic spectrometer in space

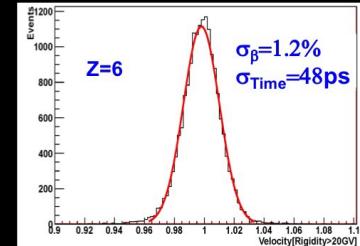
## Transition Radiation Detector

Identifies  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$



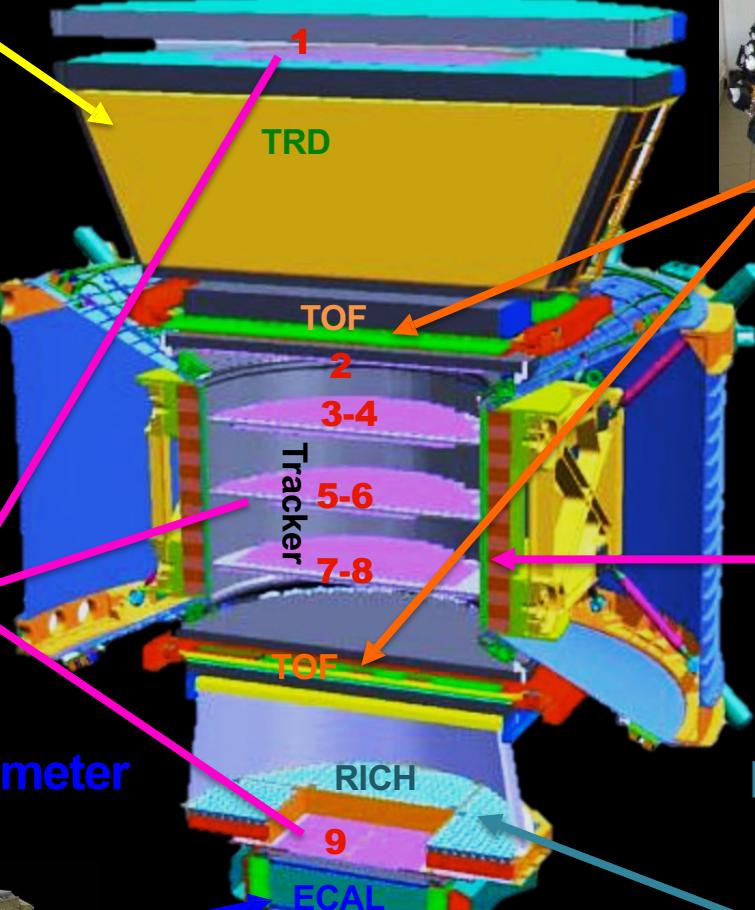
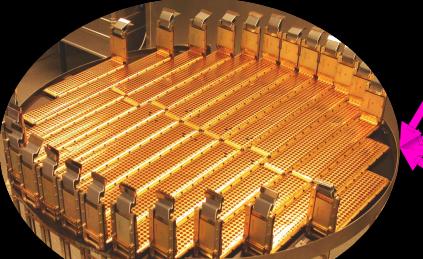
## Time Of Flight

$Z, \beta$

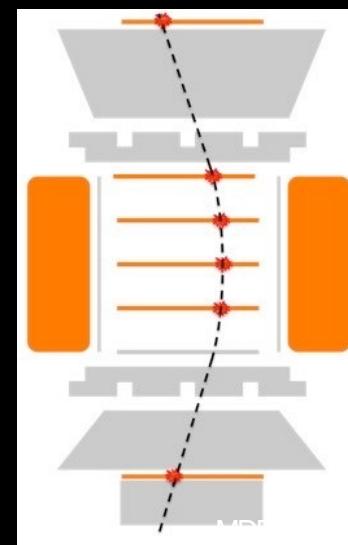
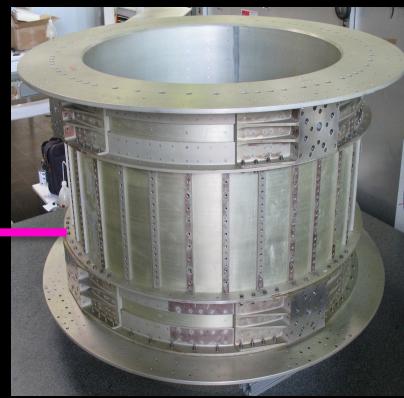


## Silicon Tracker

$Z, \text{Rigidity}=p/Ze$



Magnet  
 $\pm Z$



## Electromagnetic Calorimeter

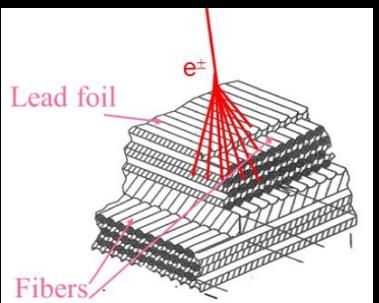
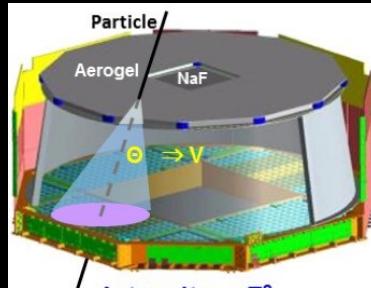
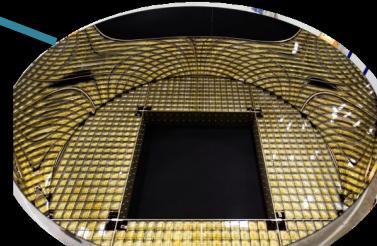
Energy of  $e^+, e^-$



## Ring Imaging Cherenkov

$Z, \beta$

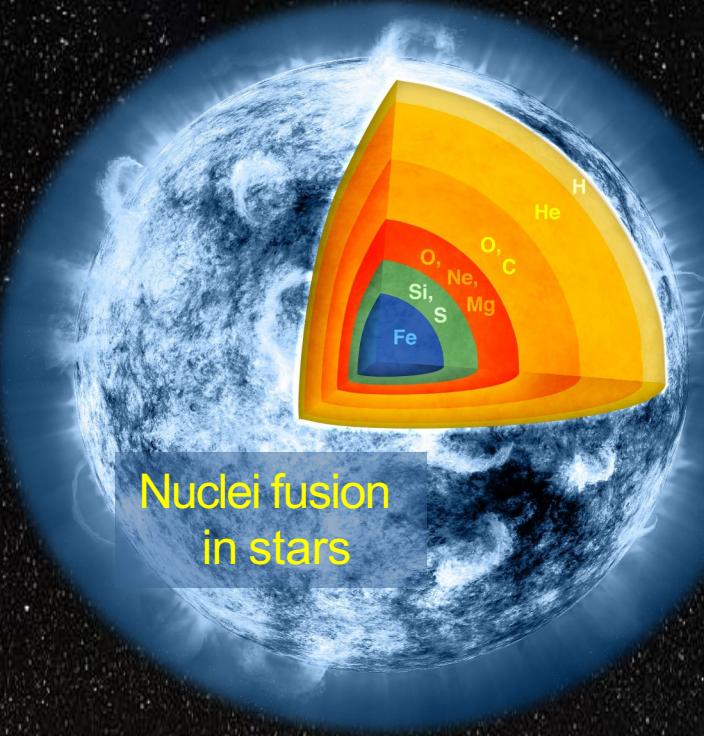
Isotopic composition



# Results



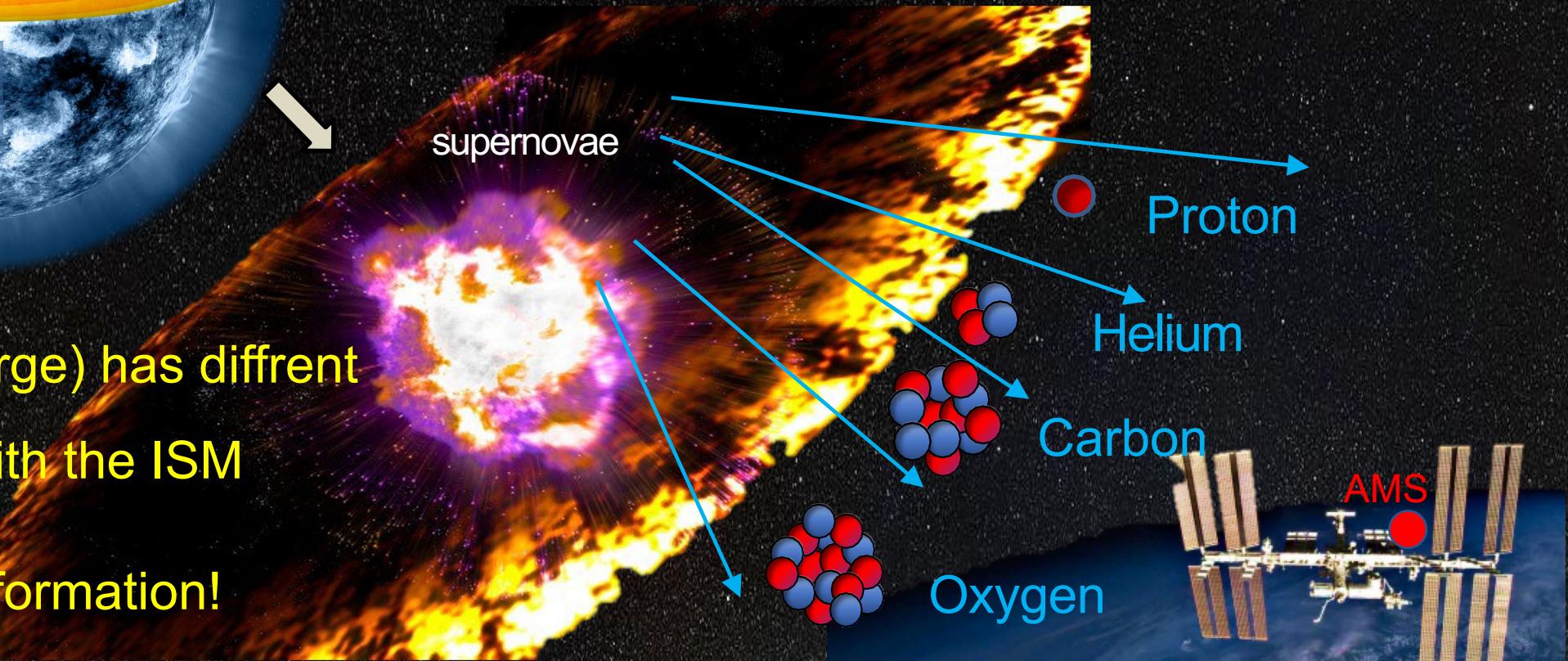
# PRIMARY COSMIC RAYS NUCLEI → Directly from their sources



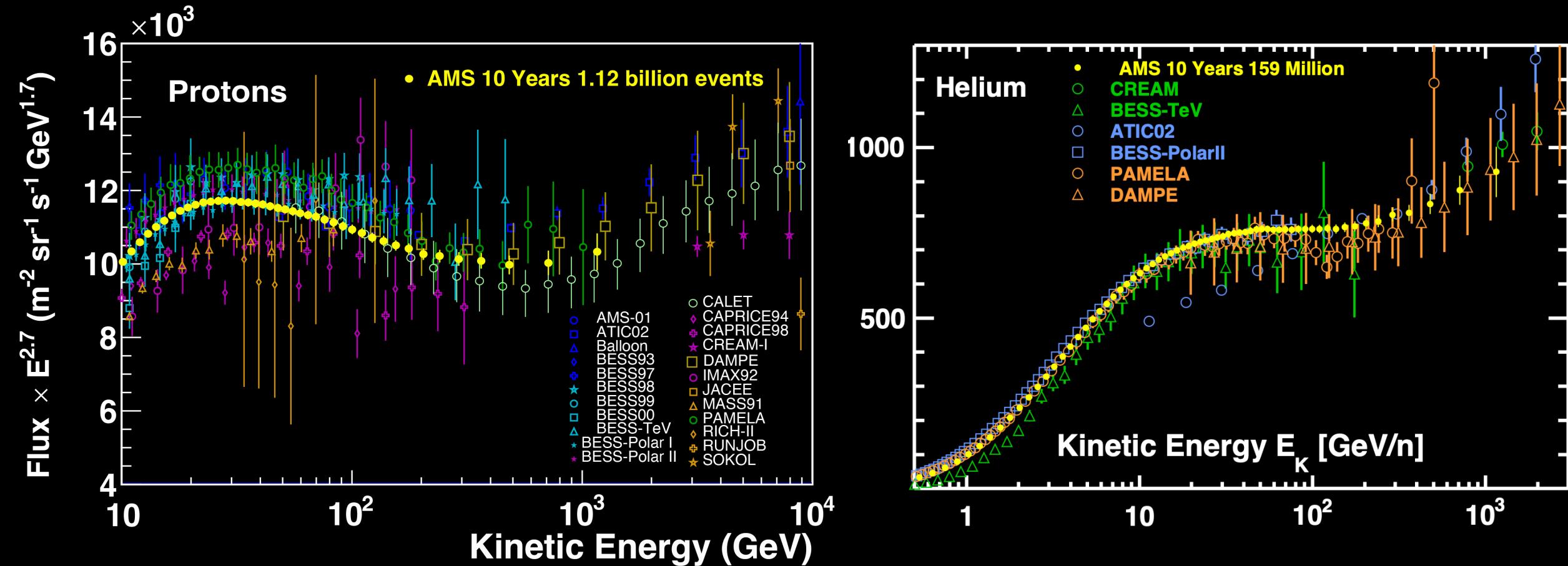
Each nuclei (i.e. charge) has different cross section with the ISM  
→ Different information!

Information about

- CR's **sources**
- CR's **acceleration** mechanism
- **Interstellar medium (ISM)**



# PROTON AND HELIUM FLUXES



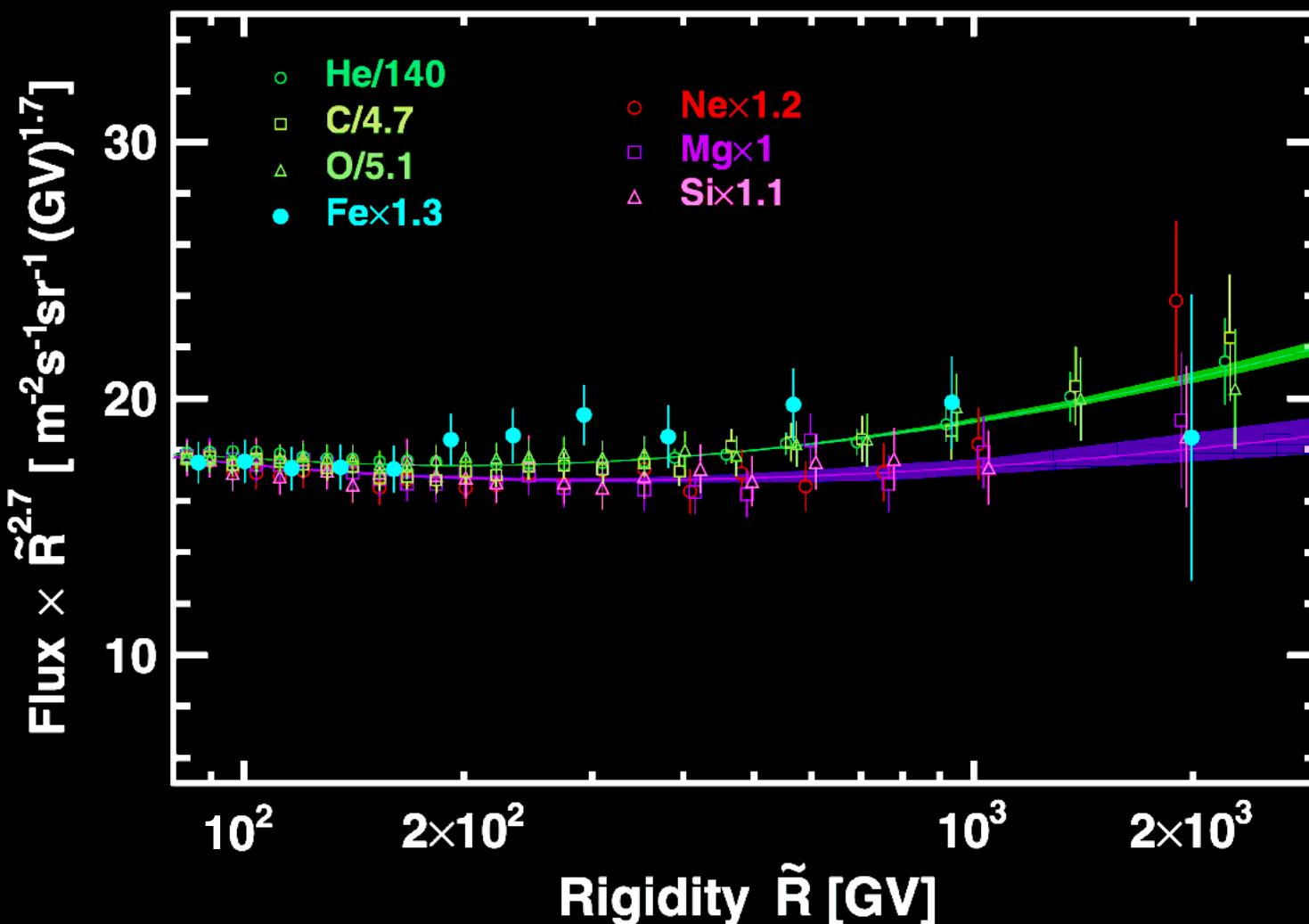
AMS provides the most accurate He measurement in the energy range 1 GeV to 1.6 TeV

Traditional Understanding of CR flux: Single power law  $\Phi \sim R^{-\gamma}$

→ Both p and He fluxes show a clear break in the power law around  $\sim 300$  GeV

# He, C, O, Ne, Mg, Fe & Si FLUXES

All nuclei fluxes cannot be described by a single power law



Ne, Mg, Si

$\neq$  He, C, O, Fe

Ne, Mg, Si

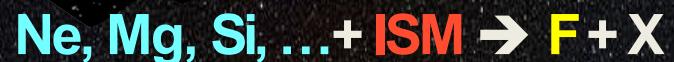
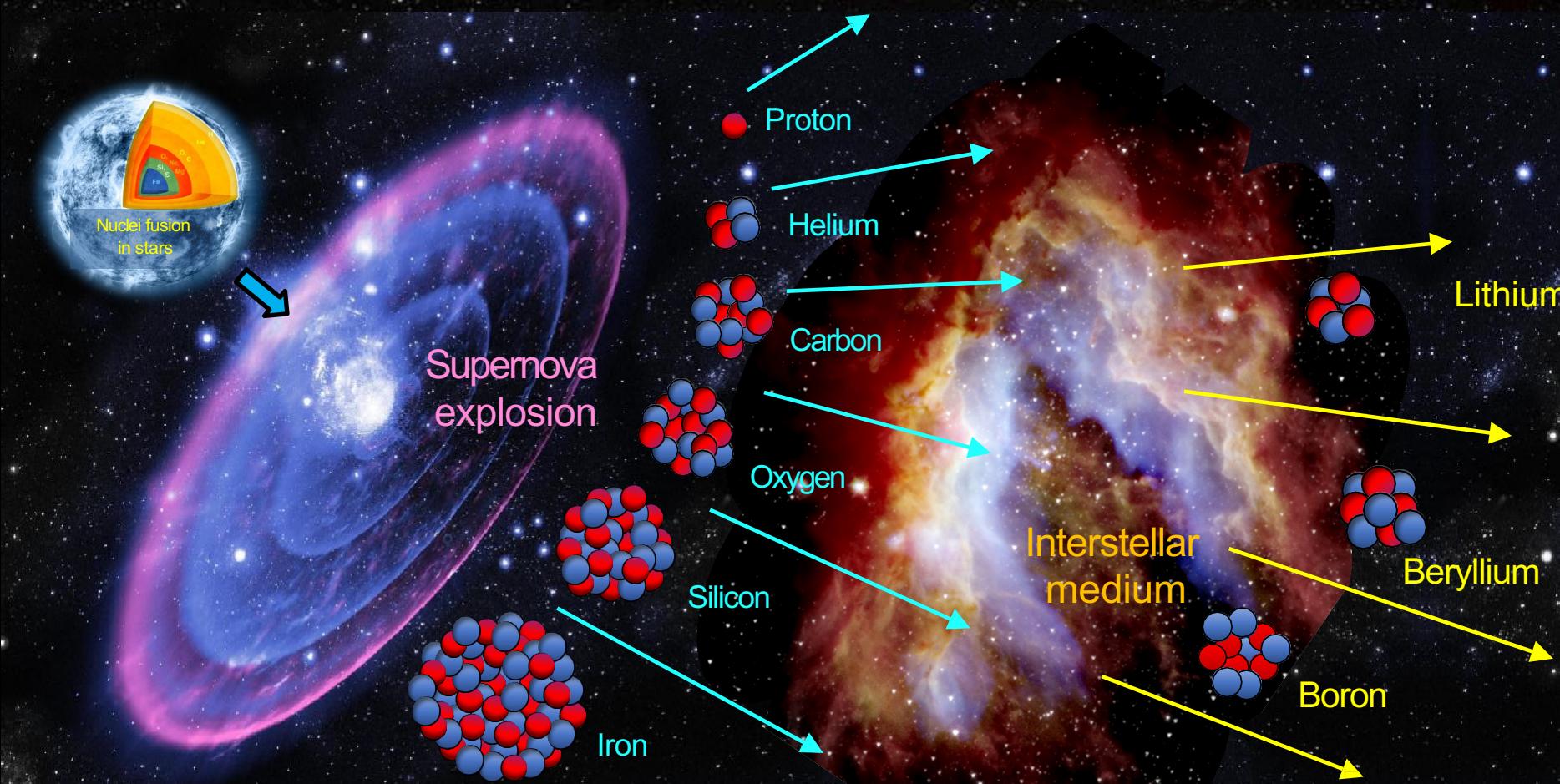
He, C, O, Fe

2 different classes of primary RC,  
characterized by a different rigidity  
dependency

With AMS-02 is the first time that  
we observe this behaviour

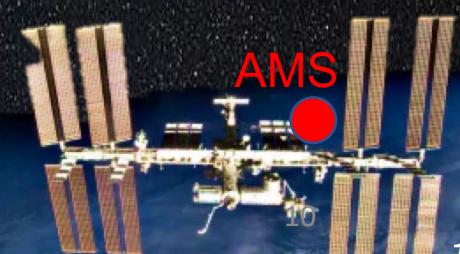
Unexpectedly, Iron is in the He, C, O  
primary cosmic ray group

# SECONDARY COSMIC RAYS NUCLEI → Produced by the collision of primary

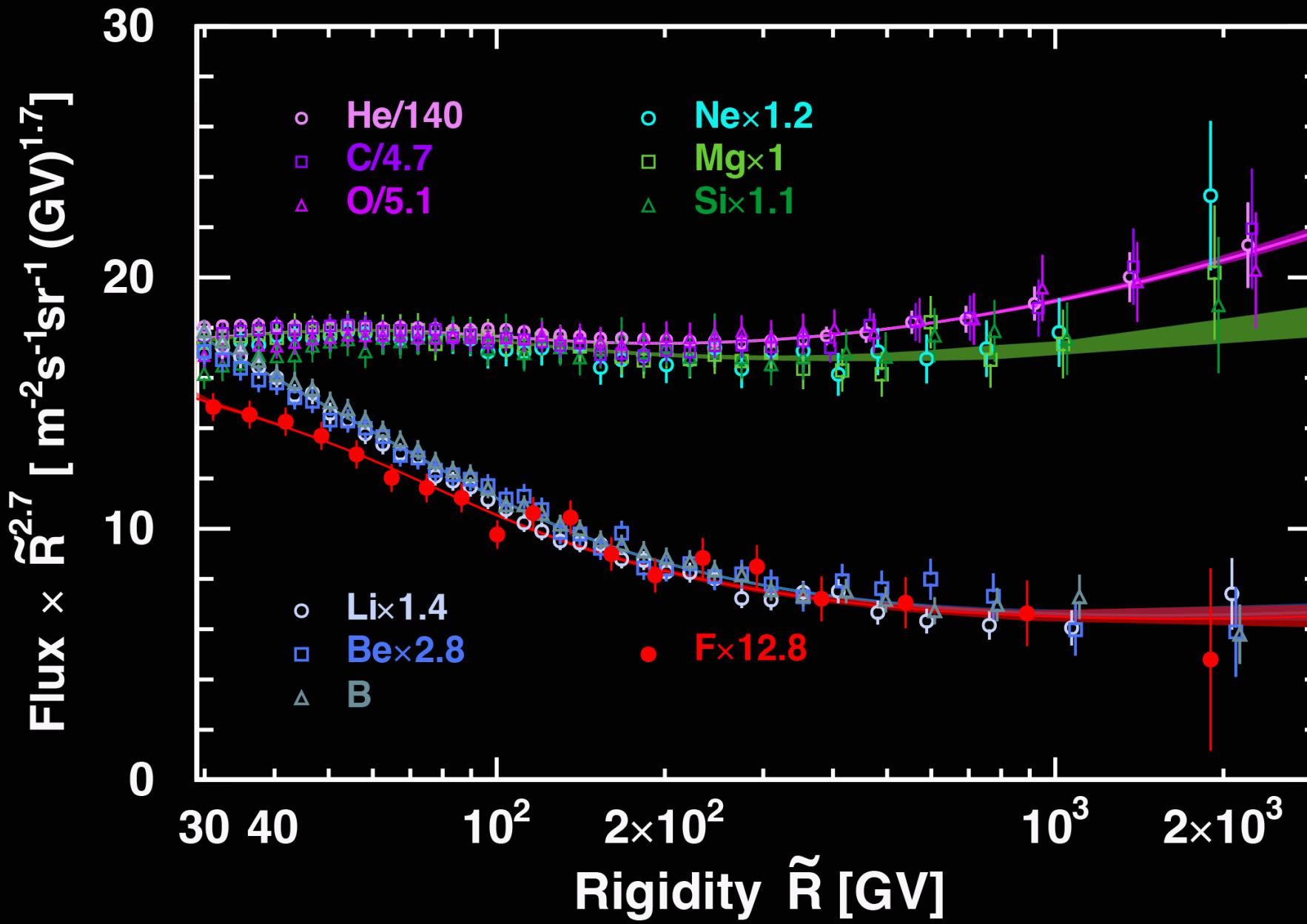


provides information  
on Cosmic Ray  
interactions and  
propagation.

Tuning of the  
diffusion term in the  
CR propagation  
equation



# SECONDARY COSMIC RAYS Li, BE, B & F FLUXES

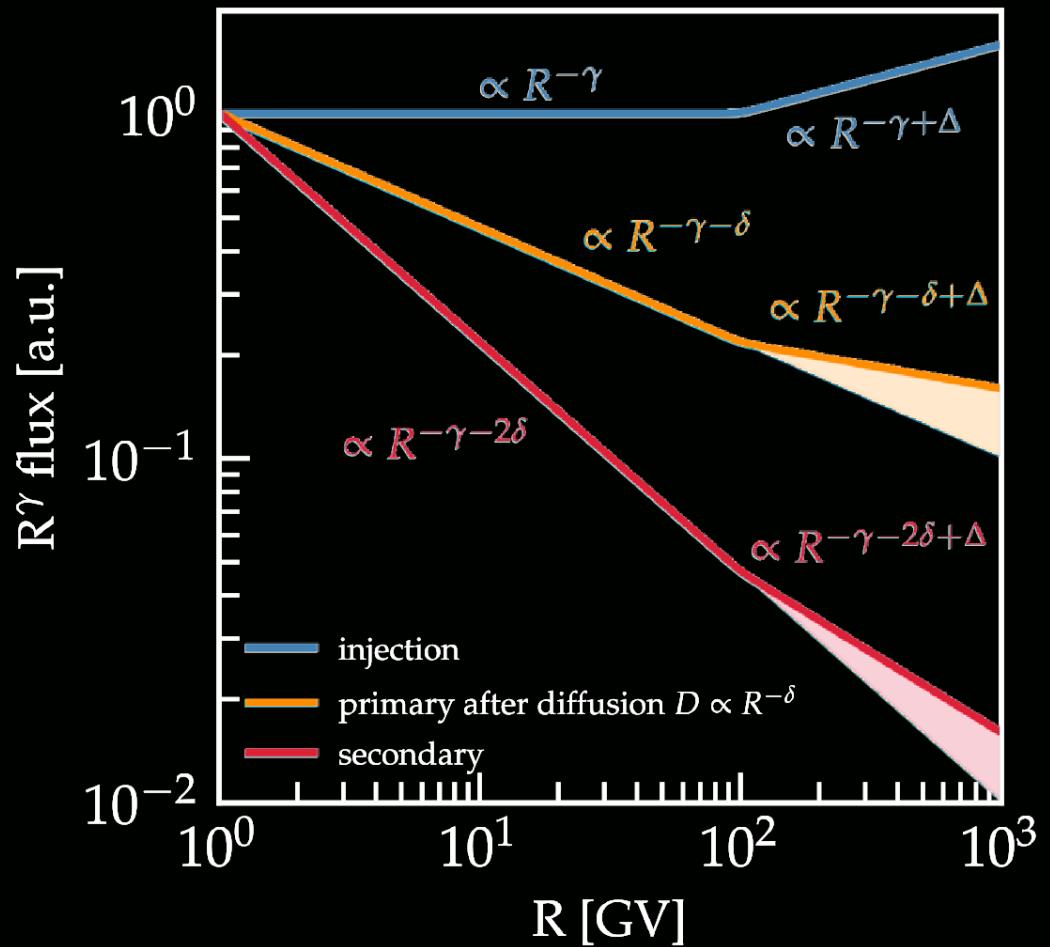


The secondary fluxes a  
exhibit a spectral  
hardening at 200 GV as  
do the primary cosmic  
rays

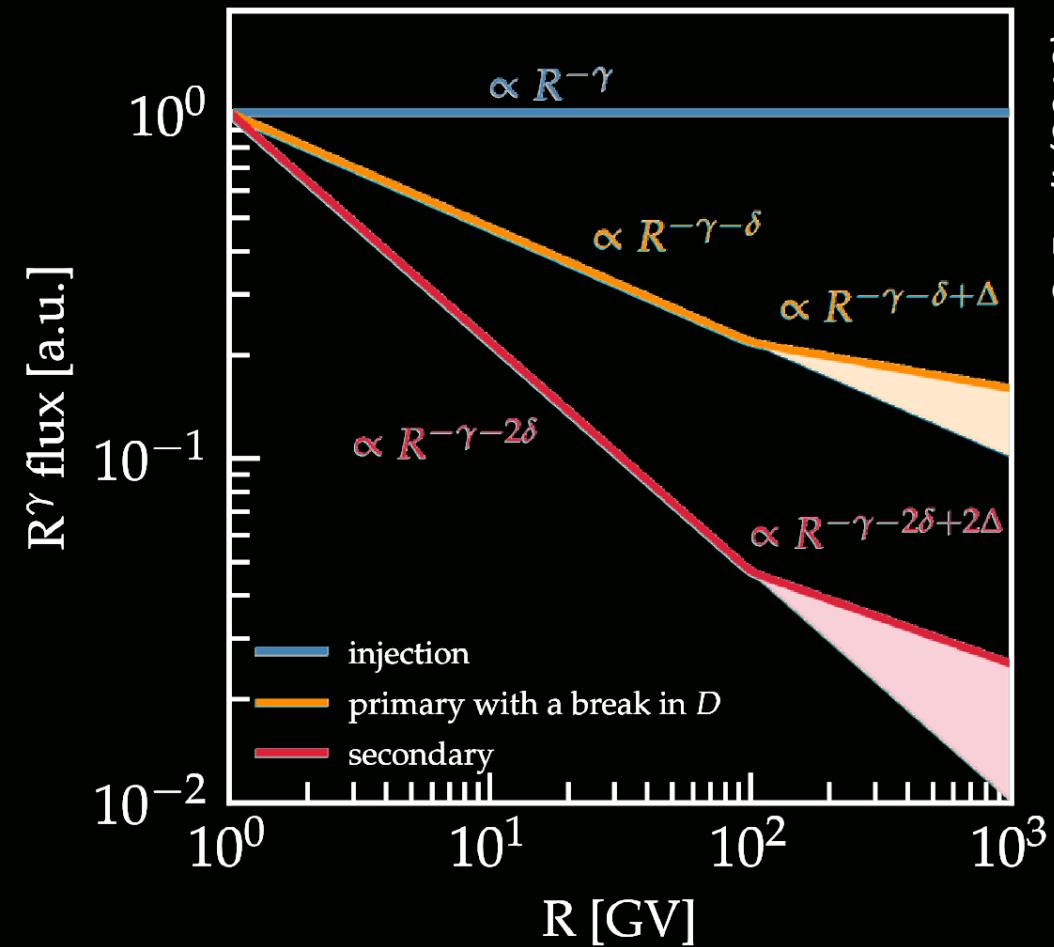
Secondary and primary  
Cosmic rays have  
distinctly different  
spectral shapes

Secondary Cosmic Rays  
also have two classes  
above 30 GV

# SECONDARY NUCLEI AND THE SPECTRAL HARDENING ORIGIN



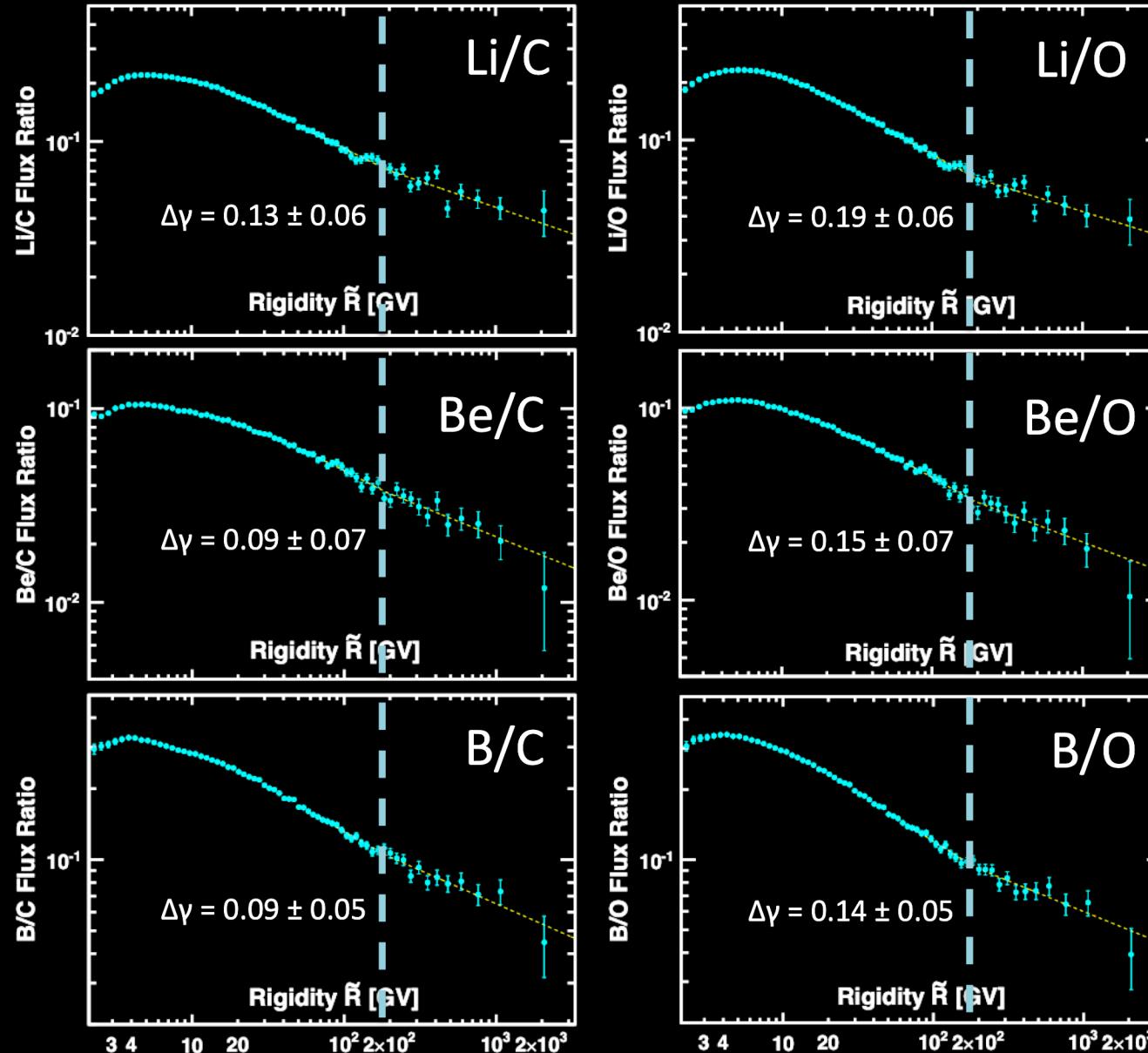
If the hardening in CRs is related to the **injected spectra** at their source, then **similar hardening** is expected both for secondaries and primary cosmic rays.



If the hardening is related to **propagation properties** in the Galaxy then a **stronger hardening** is expected for the secondary with respect to the primary CRs.

# SECONDARY TO PRIMARY RATIO

M. Aguilar et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **120** (2018) 021101



Which is the origin of the spectral index change  $\sim 200$  GV?

Above 192 GV all six secondary-to-primary flux ratios harden.

Average **hardening** of  $0.145 \pm 0.022$  is observed, with a significance:  $6.5\sigma$

Secondary hardening is stronger respect to the primary one

This favors the hypothesis that the flux hardening is an universal propagation effect.

# RARE COMPONENT OF CR: $e^-$ , $e^+$ , anti-p

Supernovae

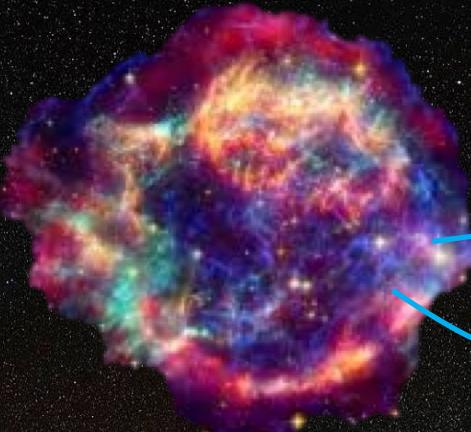


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Helium (~8%)  
electrons (~1%) ...



# RARE COMPONENT OF CR: $e^-$ , $e^+$ , anti-p

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Anti-protons

Positrons  
Electrons

<0.1 %

Pulsars

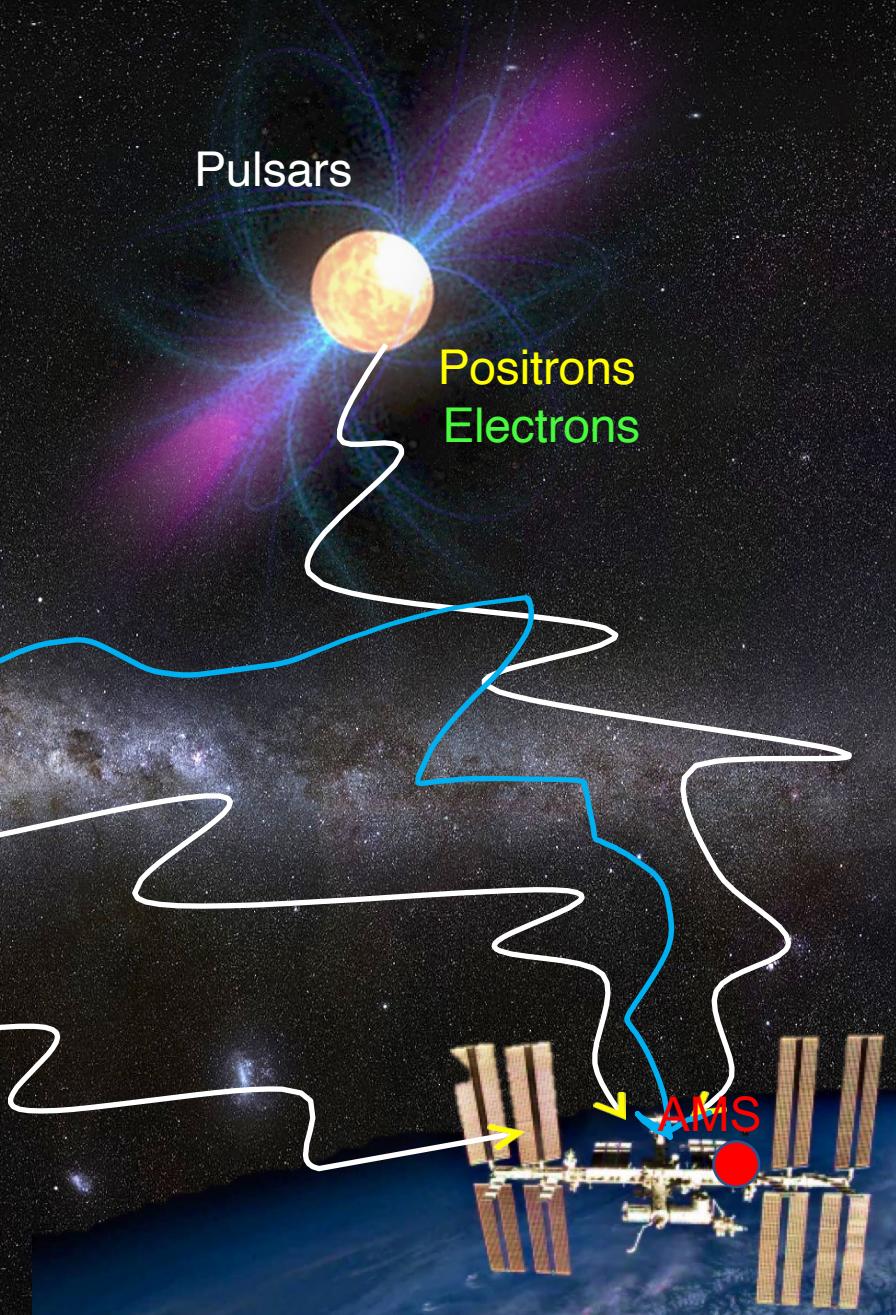
Positrons  
Electrons

Dark Matter

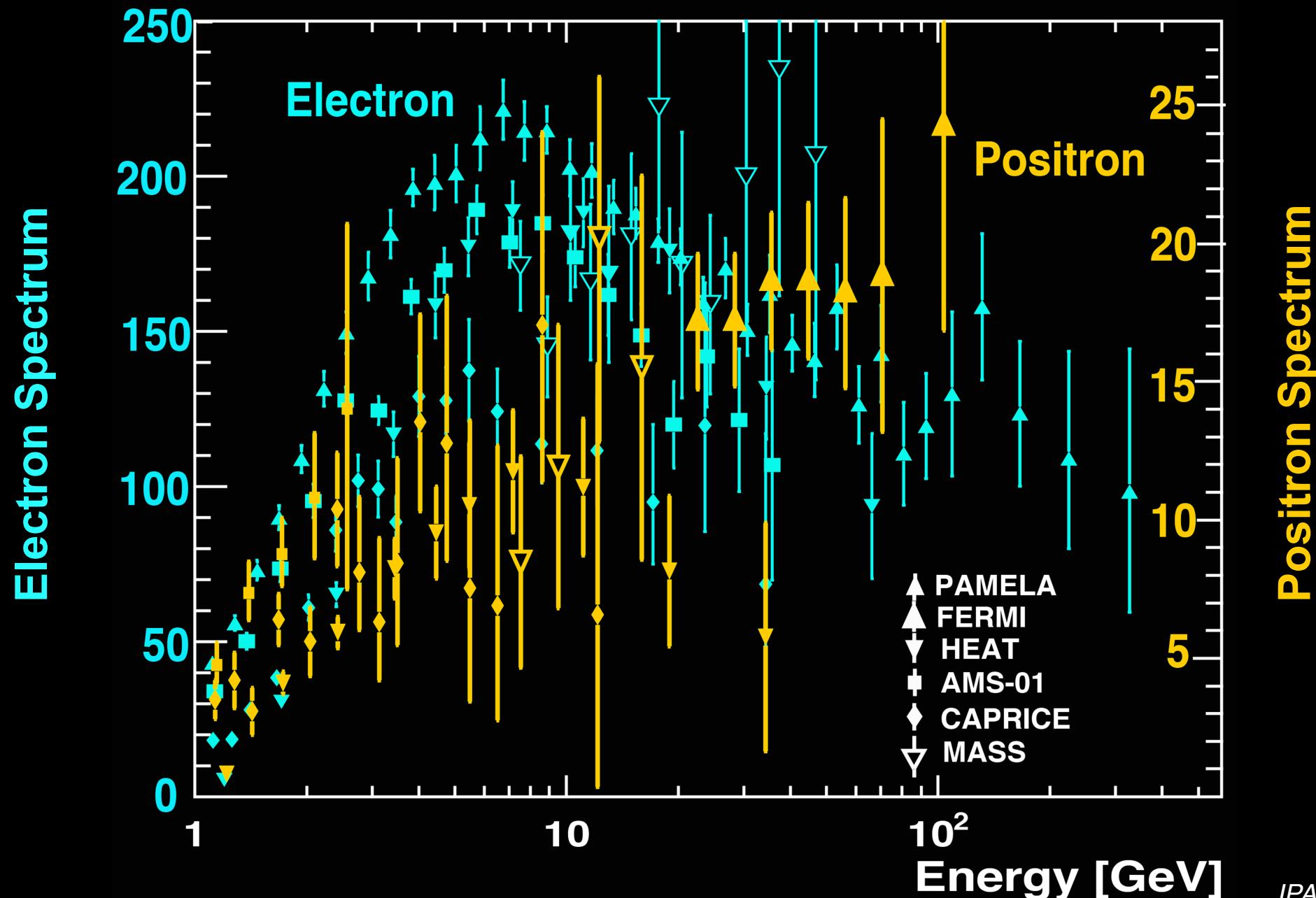
Electrons

Positrons  
Anti-protons  
Dark Matter

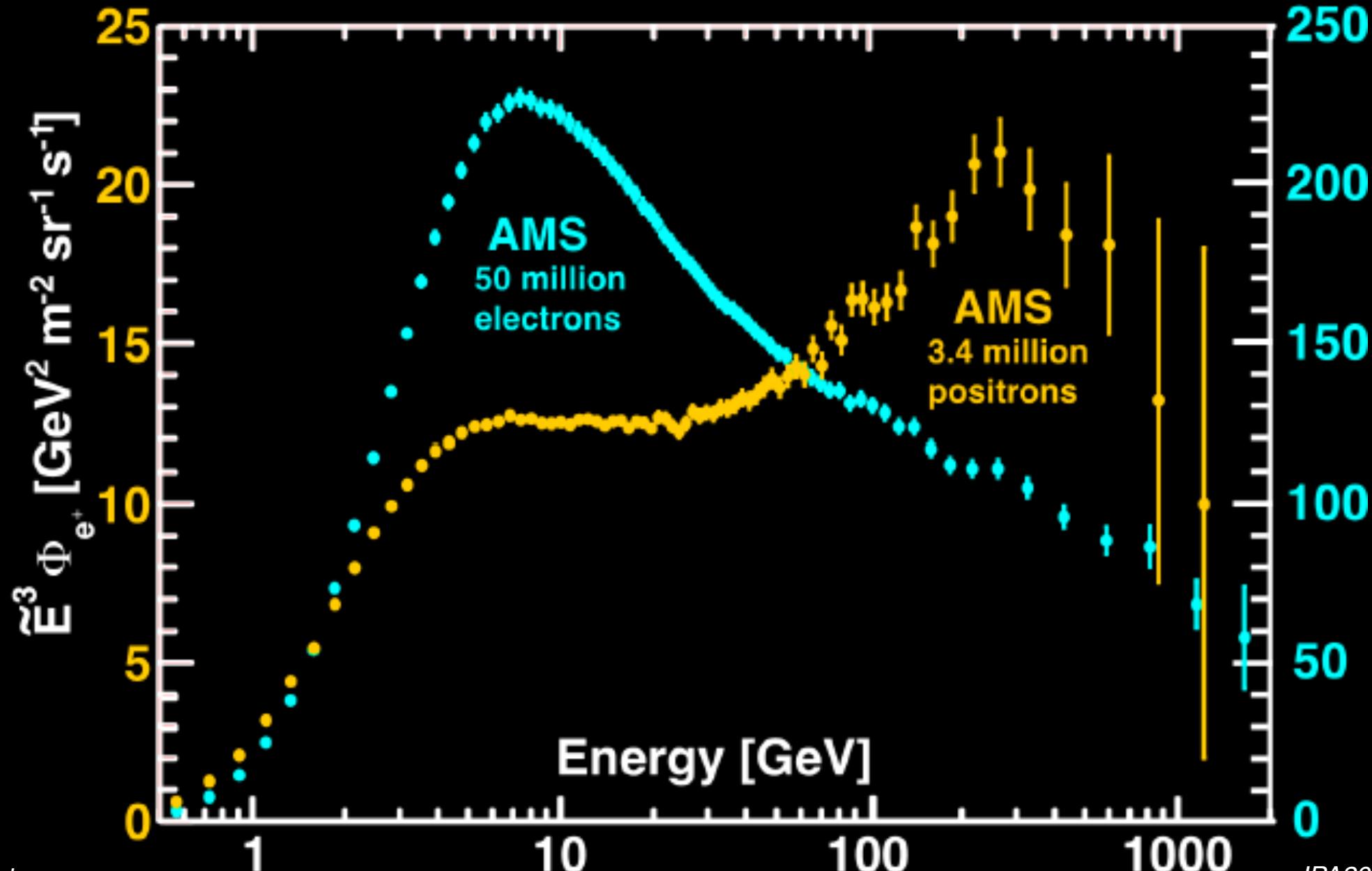
AMS



# ELECTRON AND POSITRON SPECTRA BEFORE AMS



# LATEST ELECTRONS AND POSITRONS RESULTS

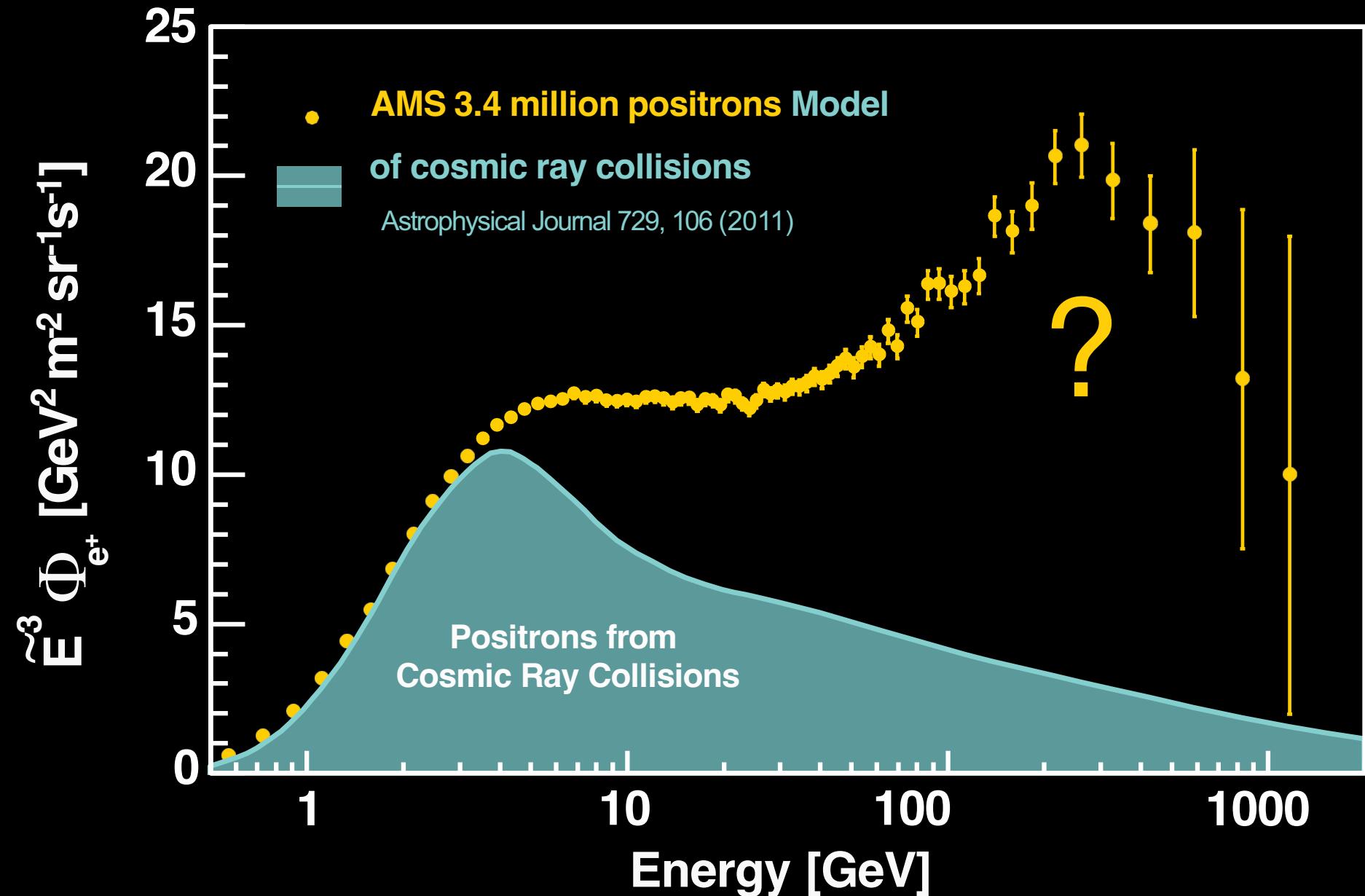


# ORIGIN OF COSMIC POSITRONS

Positron flux cannot  
be described by a  
single power law...

Low energy  
positrons mostly  
come from cosmic  
ray collisions

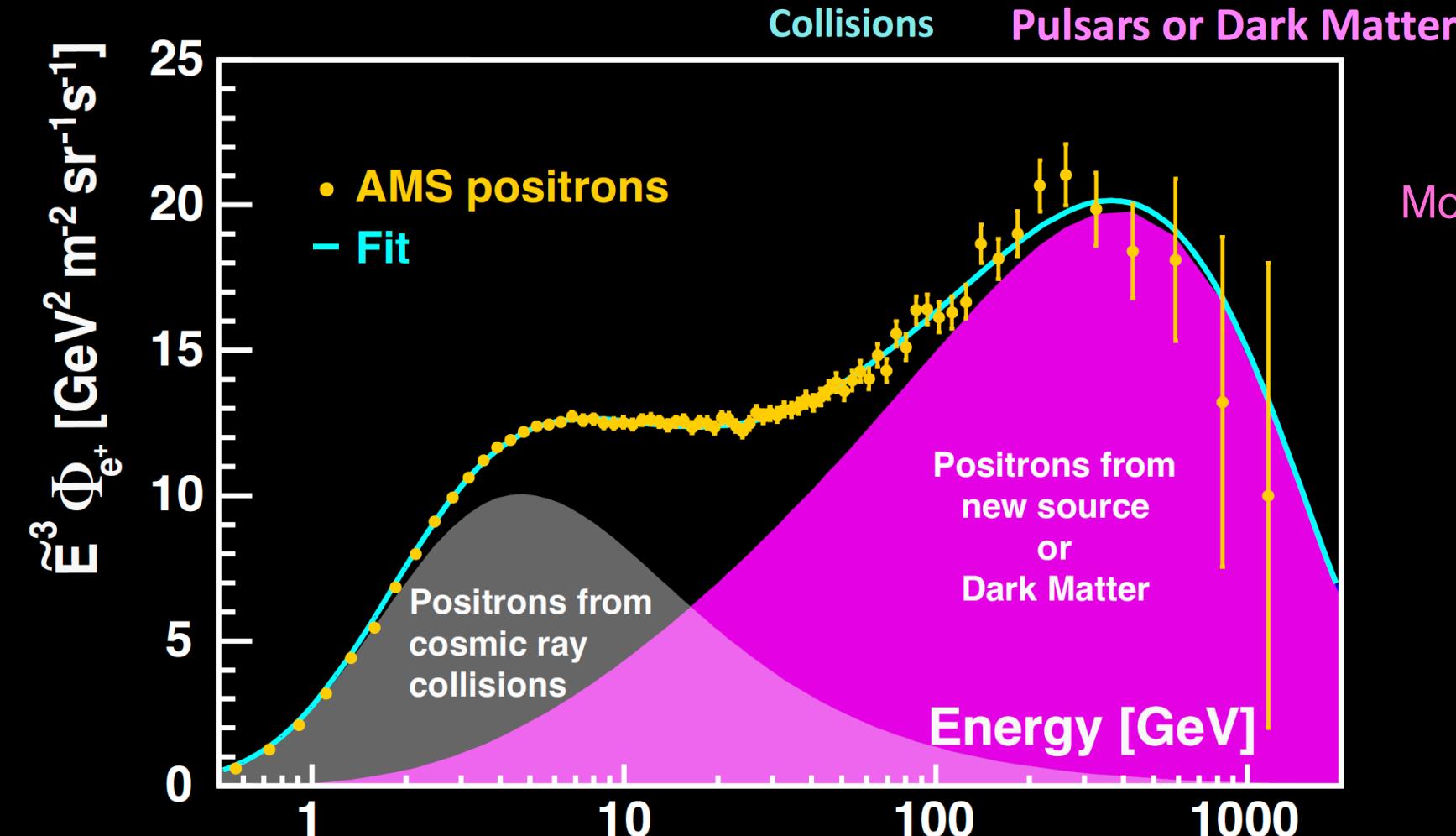
High energy  
positrons?



# ORIGIN OF COSMIC POSITRONS

Positron flux is well described by sum of low-energy part from cosmic ray collisions plus a high-energy part from pulsars or dark matter., which dominates at high energies

$$\Phi_{e^+}(E) = \frac{E^2}{\hat{E}^2} \left[ C_d (\hat{E}/E_1)^{\gamma_d} + C_s (\hat{E}/E_2)^{\gamma_s} \exp(-\hat{E}/E_s) \right]$$



More information about this source?

- Anisotropies
- antiprotons
- Electron flux
- Higher energies

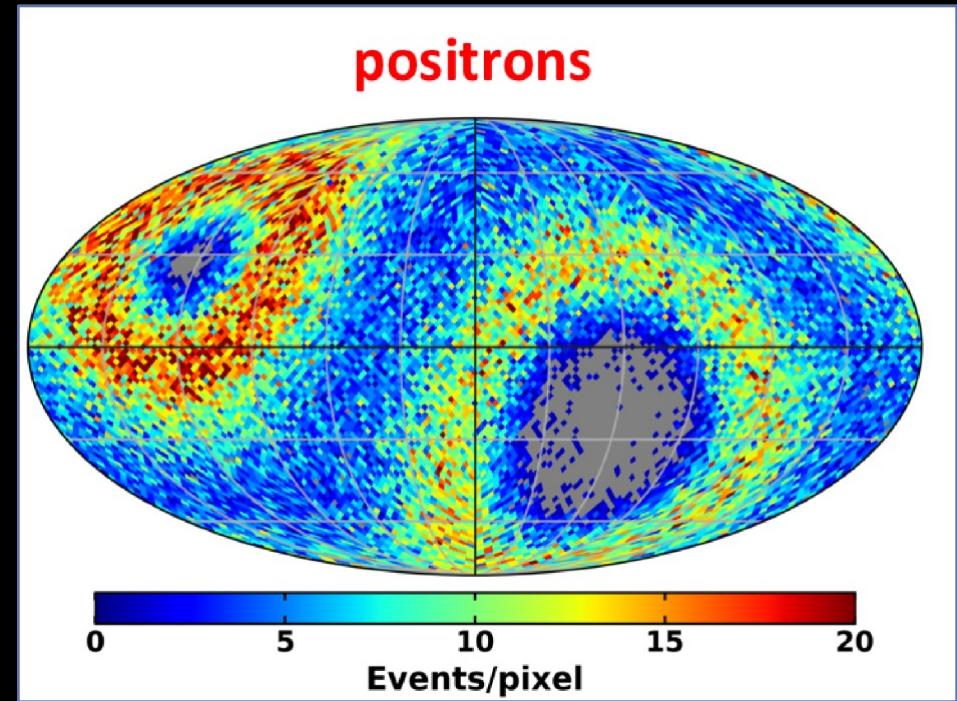
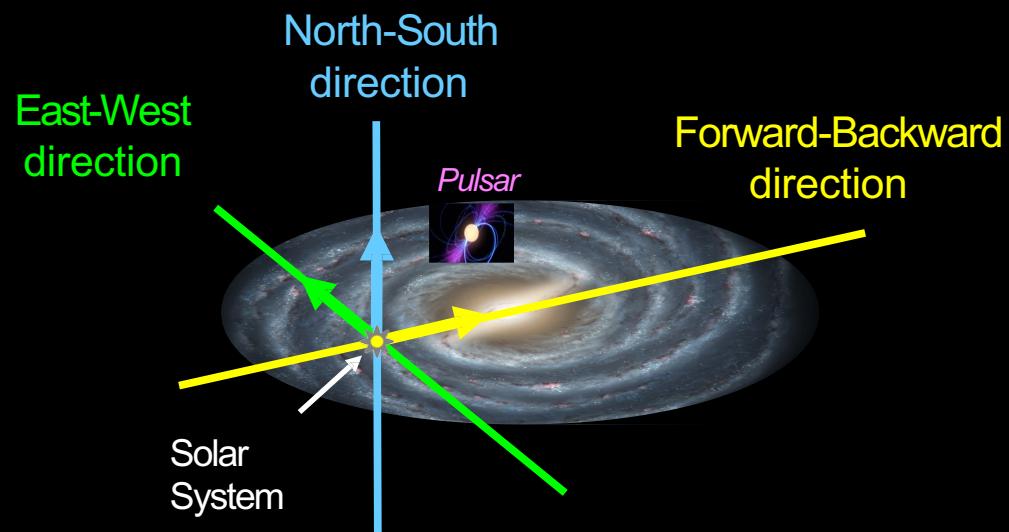
# POSITRON ANISOTROPIES

Astrophysical point sources will imprint a higher anisotropy on the arrival directions of energetic positrons than a smooth dark matter halo.

Dipole anisotropy:

$$\delta = 3\sqrt{C_1/4\pi}$$

$C_1$  is the dipole moment



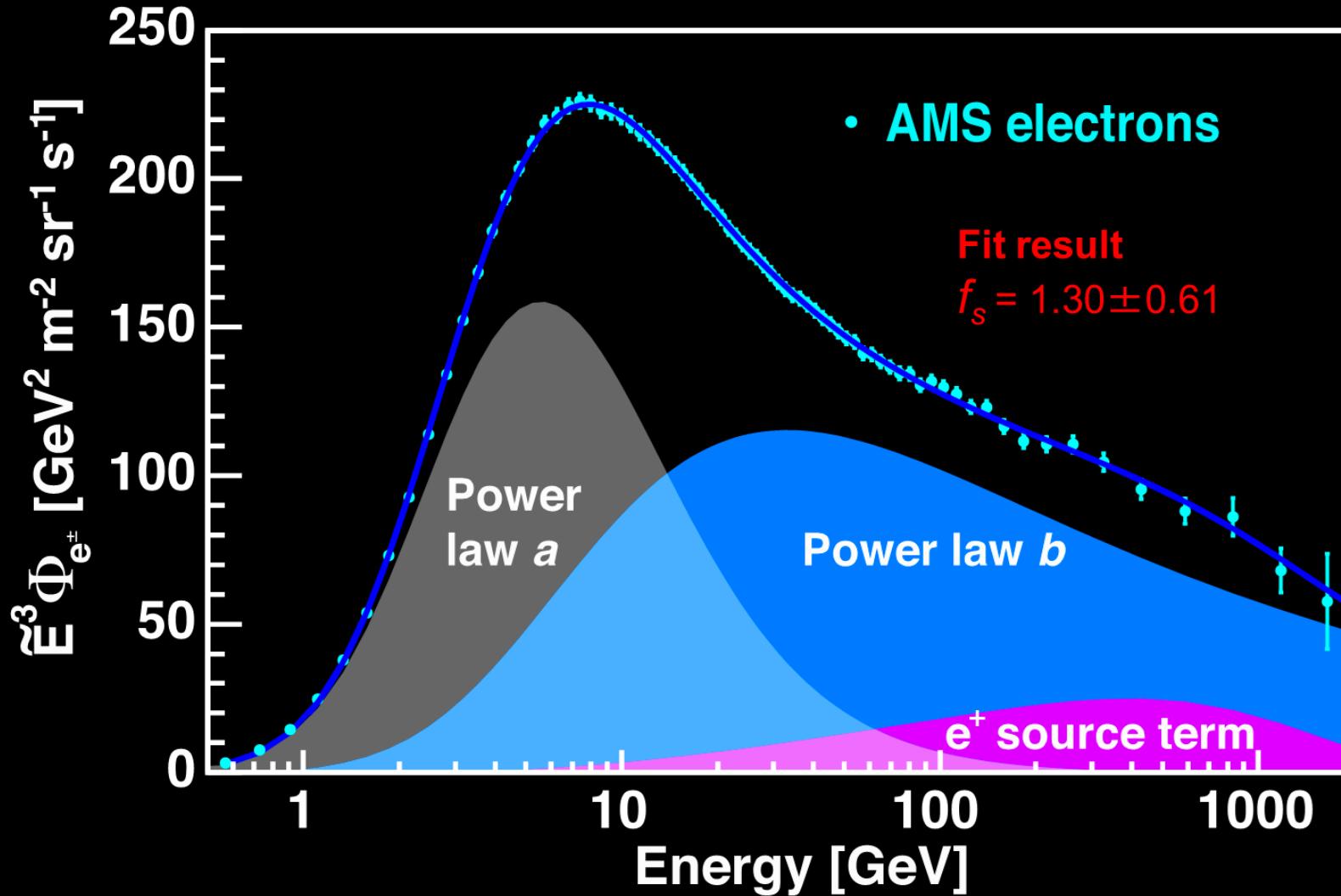
For  $16 < E < 500$  GeV currently at 95% C.L.:

$\delta < 0.0150$

# ELECTRON FLUX

$$\Phi_{e^-}(E) = S(E) \left[ C_a (\hat{E}/E_a)^{\gamma_a} + C_b (\hat{E}/E_b)^{\gamma_b} + f_s C_s^{e^+} (\hat{E}/E_2)^{\gamma_s^{e^+}} \exp(-E/E_s^{e^+}) \right]$$

Power law a                      Power law b                      positron-like source term

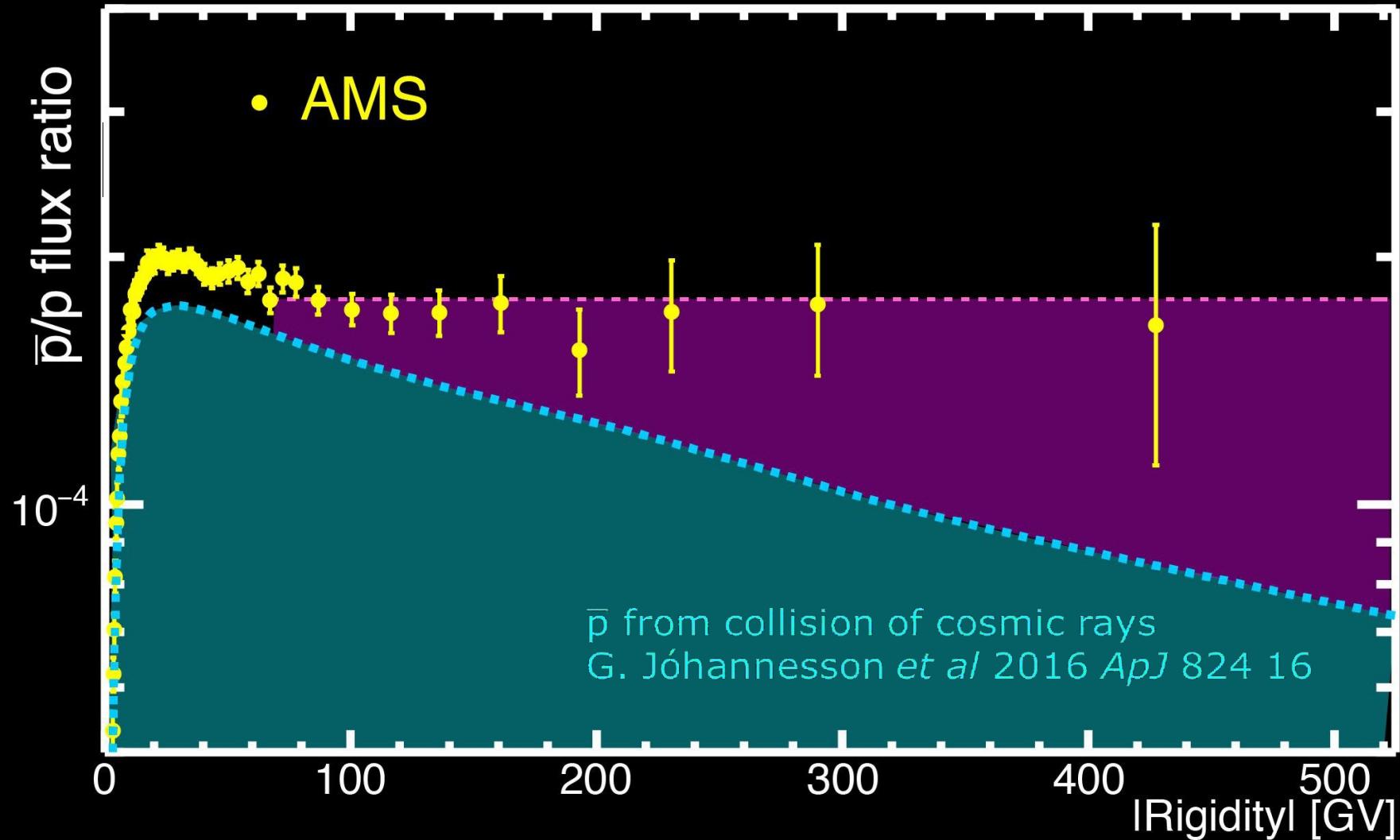


Electron spectrum favors the contribution of the **positron-like source term** (@95% C.L.)

# charge-symmetric nature of the high energy positron source term

# ANTIPROTON-TO-PROTON RATIO

The antiproton-to-proton flux ratio shows unexpected energy dependence distinctly different from antiprotons from collision of cosmic rays



# A SAMPLE OF RECENT THEORETICAL MODELS EXPLAINING AMS DATA

	Positrons	ANTI-p
DARK MATTER	<p>1) H. Motz, H. Okada, Y. Asaoka, and K. Kohri, Phys.Rev. D102 (2020) 8, 083019      2) Z.Q. Huang, R.Y. Liu, J.C. Joshi, X.Y. Wang, Astrophys.J. 895 (2020) 1, 53      3) R. Diesing and D. Caprioli, Phys.Rev. D101 (2020) 10      4) A. Das, B. Dasgupta, and A. Ray, Phys.Rev. D101 (2020) 6      5) F. S. Queiroz and C. Siqueira, Phys.Rev. D101 (2020) 7, 075007      6) Z.L. Han, R. Ding, S.J. Lin, and B. Zhu, Eur.Phys.J. C79 (2019) 12, 1007      7) C.Q. Geng, D. Huang, and L. Yin, Nucl.Phys. B959 (2020) 115153      8) S. Profumo, F. Queiroz, C. Siqueira, J.Phys.G 48 (2020) 1, 015006      9) D. Kim, J.C. Park, S. Shin, JHEP 04 (2018) 093          and many other excellent papers ...</p>	<p>1. J. Heisig, Modern Physics Letters A, (2021), 36, 05      2. Y. Genolini et al., arXiv:2103.04108 (2021)      3. I. Cholis et al., Phys. Rev. D, 99 (2019), 103026      4. A. Cuoco et al., Phys. Rev. D, 99 (2019), 103014      5. M. Carena et al., Phys. Rev. D, 100 (2019), 055002      6. A. Reinert et al., JCAP, 01 (2018), p. 055      7. A. Cuoco et al., Phys. Rev. Lett., 118 (2017), 191102      8. M. Cui et al., Phys. Rev. Lett., 118 (2017), 191101      9. Y. Chen et al., Phys. Rev. D, 93 (2016), p. 015015      10. .....</p>
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PROPAGATION	<p>1) E. Amato and S. Casanova, J.Plasma Phys. 87 (2021) 1, 845870101      2) Z. Tian et al., Chin.Phys. C44 (2020) 8, 085102      3) W. Zhu, P. Liu, J. Ruan, and F. Wang, Astrophys.J. 889 (2020) 127      4) P. Liu and J. Ruan, Int.J.Mod.Phys. E28 (2019) 09, 1950073      5) R. Diesing and D. Caprioli, Phys.Rev.Lett. 123 (2019) 7, 071101      6) W. Zhu, J. S. Lan and J. H. Ruan, Int. J. Mod. Phys. E27 (2018) 1850073          and many other excellent papers ...</p>	<p>1. P. Mertsch et al., Phys. Rev. D 104 (2021) 103029      2. M. Boudaud et al., Phys. Rev. Research 2, 023022 (2020)      3. V. Bresci et al., Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc., 488 (2019), p. 2068      4. M. Korsmeier et al., Phys. Rev. D 97 (2018), 103019      5. P. Lipari, Phys. Rev. D, 95 (2017), 063009      6. I. Cholis et al., Phys. Rev. D 95(2017), 123007      7. M. Winkler, JCAP, 2017(02), 048      8. .....</p>



*What's next?*



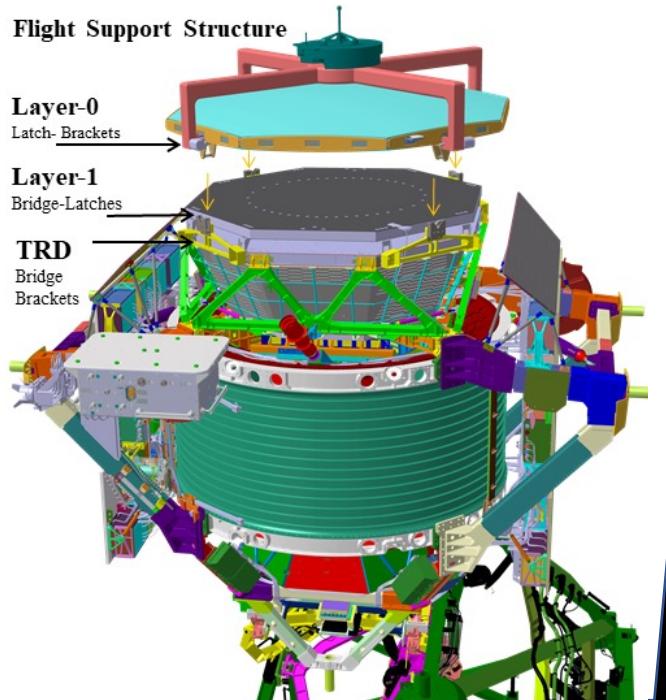
2011 AMS-02  
Installed On ISS



2020 AMS-02.01  
1° Upgrade: UTPPS

- Installation of one additional silicon tracker layer ( $\sim 7 \text{ m}^2$ ):  
**layer 0 (L0)**

- **Acceptance X3**



2024 AMS-02.02  
2° Upgrade: L0

# CONCLUSIONS

- AMS is providing simultaneous measurements of different cosmic ray species with O(%) accuracy in an extended energy range
- new phenomena are being highlighted by these measurements whose nature will be further clarified as more data will be collected by the experiment.

AMS-02 will continue to take data until the end of ISS mission (currently set to 2030)...

- Positron flux up to 2 TeV and electron flux up 3 TeV:
  - the positron-like source in the electron flux will be established at  $4\sigma$  level
- Improving the measurement of **antiproton-to-proton ratio**
- Positron anisotropy: pulsar exclusion @99.93% C.L.

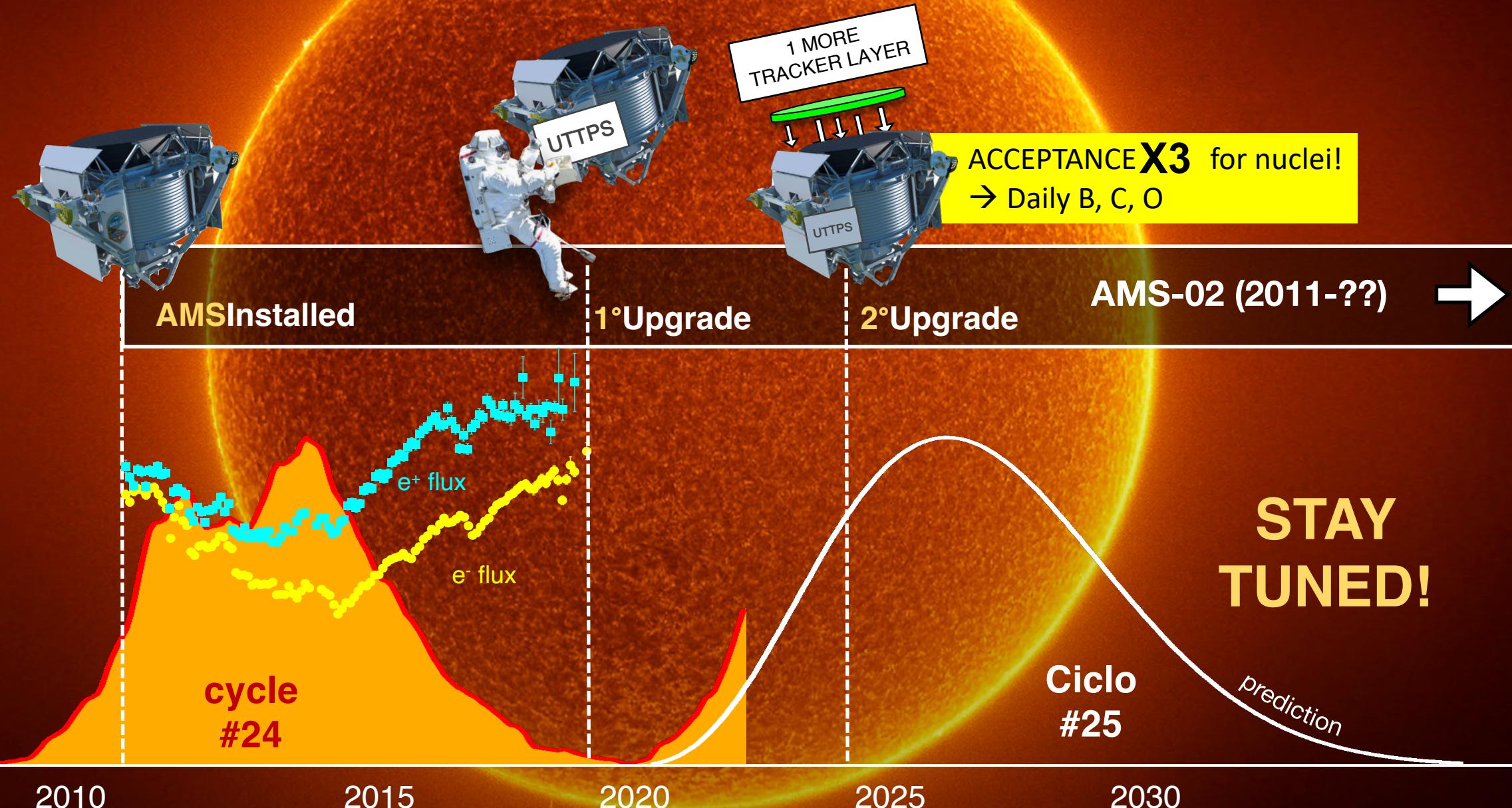
*Indirect Dark Matter search*

- **First measurement of nuclei with high Z ( $\geq 15$ ) for  $R \geq 35\text{GV}$**

*Understanding of the Interstellar Medium*

# ...AND SOLAR PHYSICS!

By 2030, AMS will explore ~2 complete solar cycle providing the flux time variation of ~all CR species

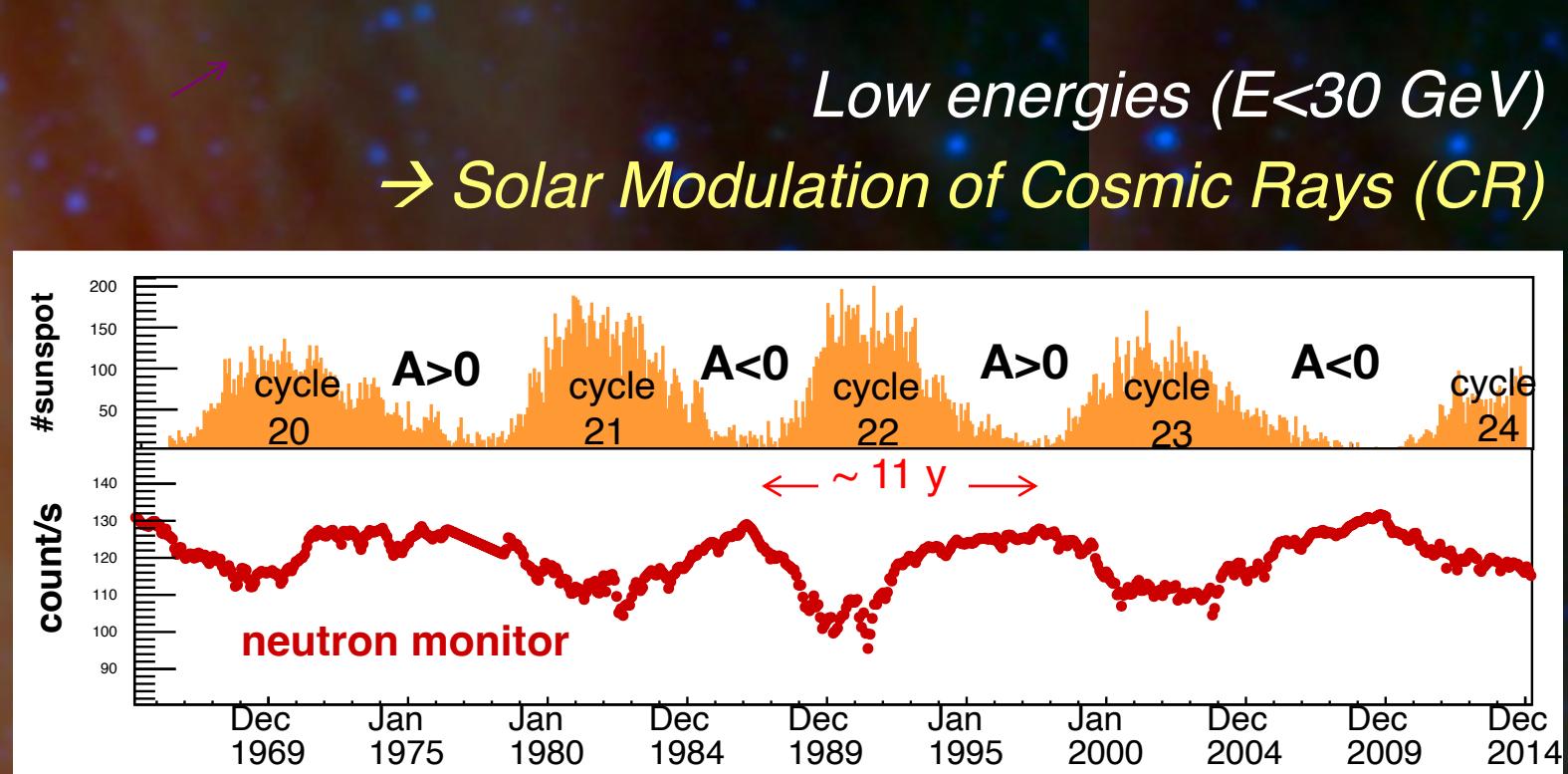
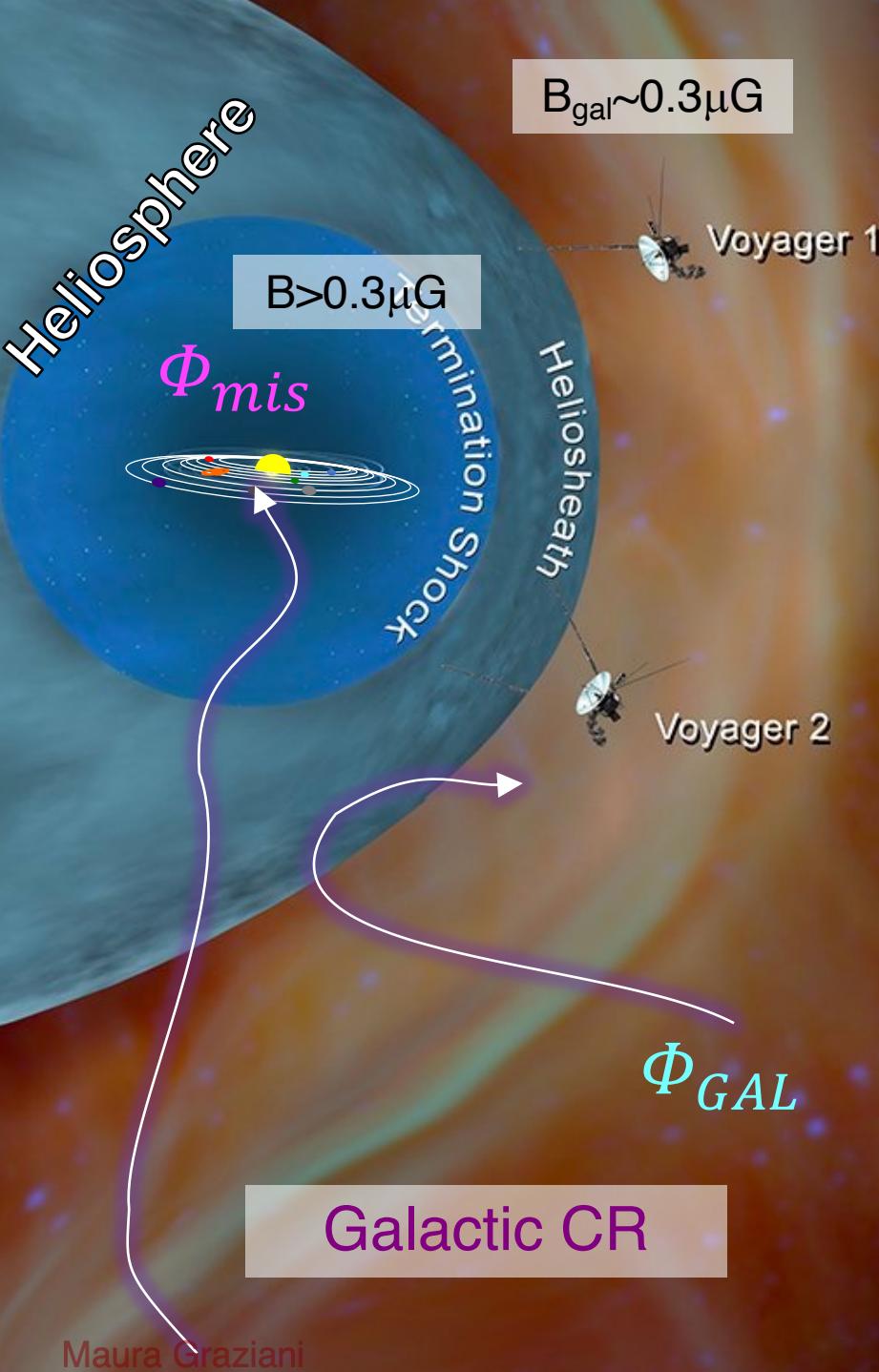




*Thanks for the attention and Stay Tuned!*

Back up

Solar physics

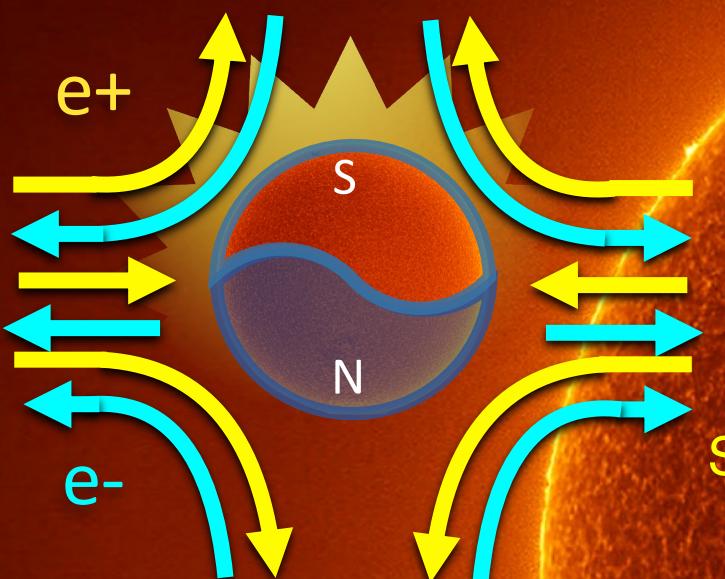


- Large time scale effect ( $\sim 11$  years);
- Small time scale effects ( $\sim$ days);
- Depends on CR mass, charge and energy;

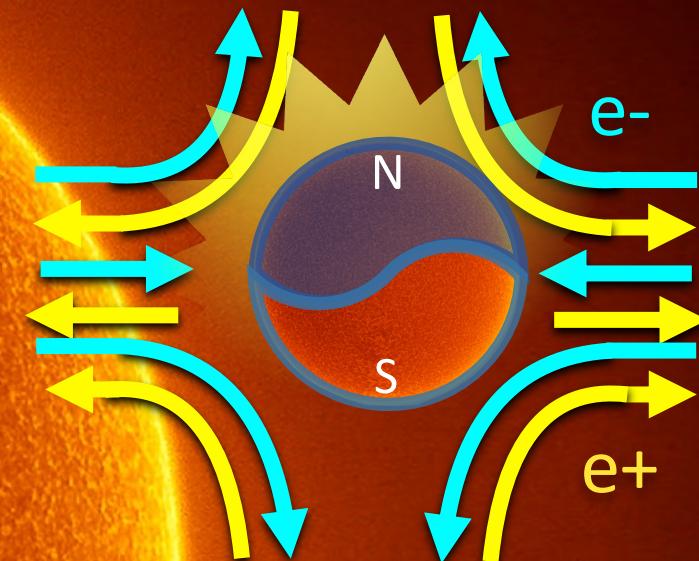
Knowing the solar modulation of CR:

- correct understanding of galactic CR
- Space weather

Why electrons and positrons?



DIFFUSION motion +  
MAGNETIC drift



Studing of the charge-sign dependent effects

$A < 0$

$A??$

Polarity reverse

$A > 0$

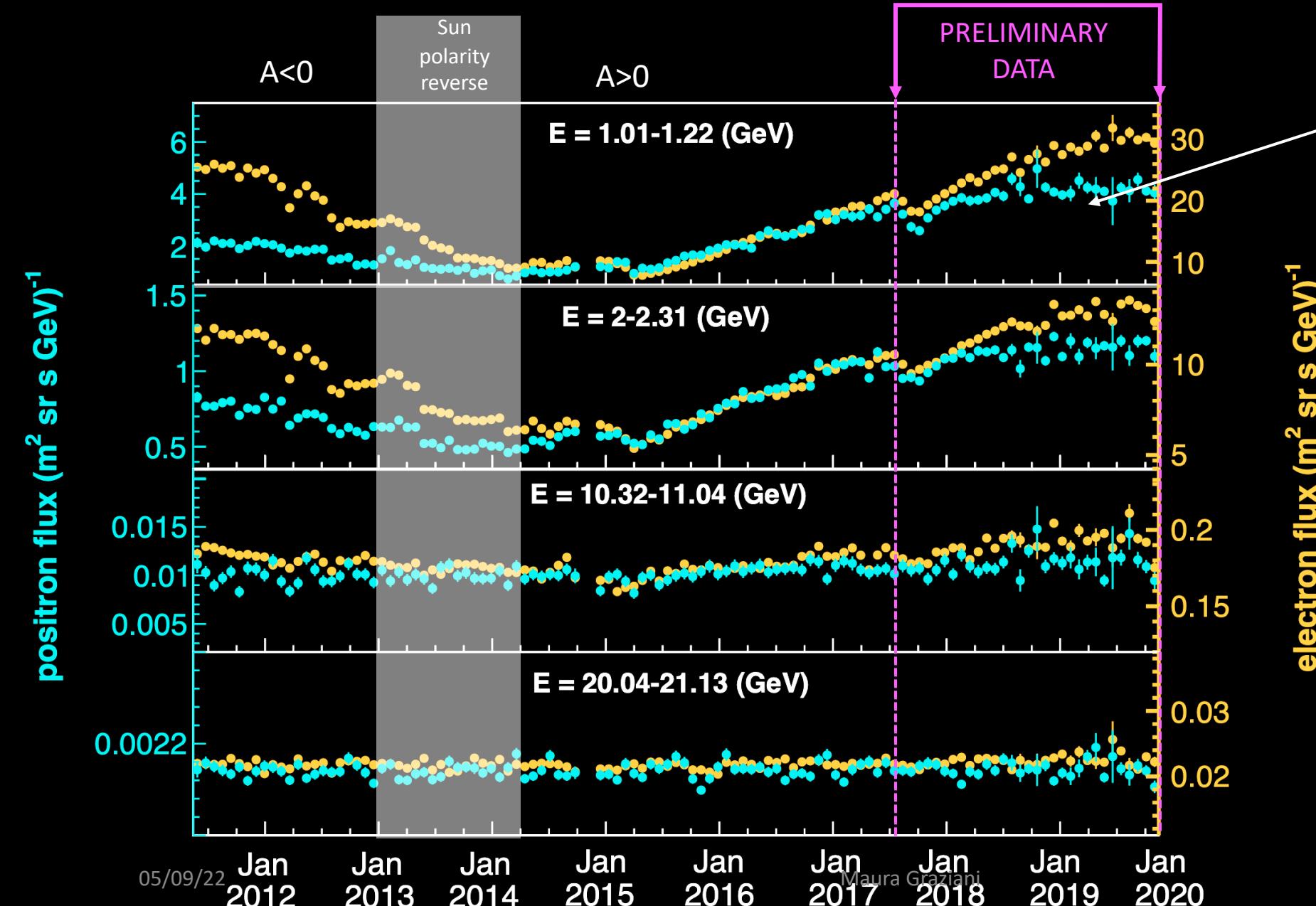
#Sunspot



2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020

Solar cycle #24

# Electron and Positron fluxes in time

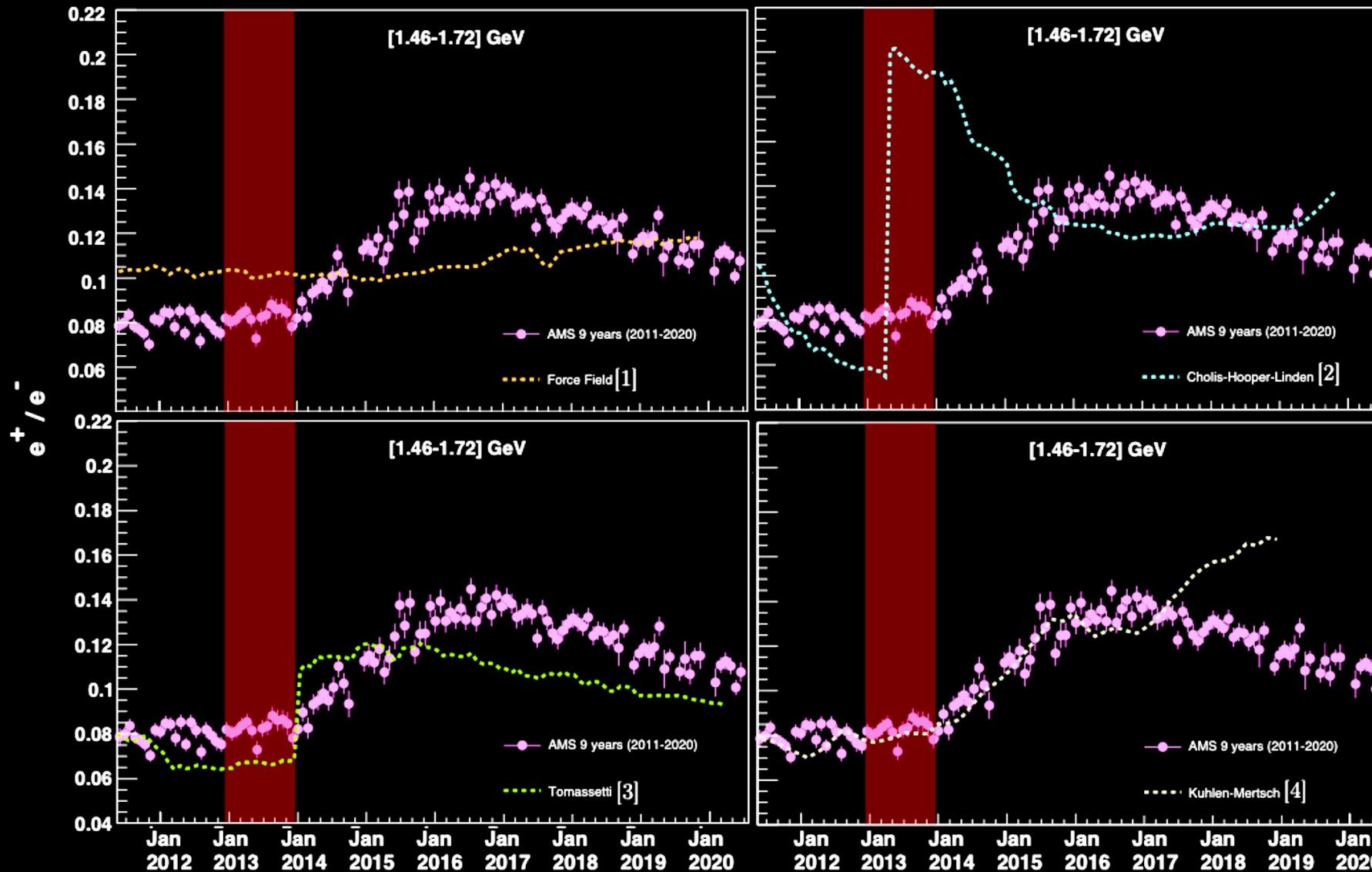


$\Delta t = 27 \text{ days}$

Both fluxes exhibit profound short - and long - term variations.

The short-term variations occur simultaneously in both fluxes with approximately the same relative amplitude.

# Charge sign-dependent effects



$\Delta t = 27$  days

All four models fail to reproduce the long term dependence of AMS positron ratio.

AMS-02 data provide novel information on the  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  flux time dependences.

[1]: analytical model by Gleeson & Axford 1968. Modulation potential  $\Phi$  from NM;  $e^+/\Phi$ - LIS from Bisschoff et al. ApJ 2019

[2]: FF with charge sign dependent effect.  $e^+/\Phi$ - LIS from Bisschoff et al. ApJ 2019. Solar Parameters constrained with AMS-02 p and antip

[3]: Solar Prop based 2D model from Tomassetti PRD 2015.  $e^+/\Phi$ - LIS from Bisschoff et al. ApJ 2019. Solar Parameters constrained with p data

[4]: Semianalytical charge sign dependent 2D model from Kuhlen & Mertsch PRL 2019. Model constrained with AMS-02 data on  $e^+/\Phi$  between 2011 and 2017

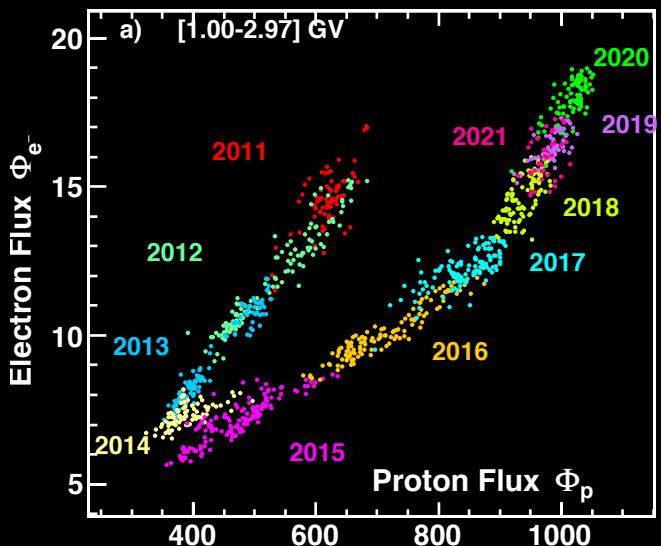
# Summary

Comprehensive dataset to study propagation in the heliosphere of cosmic ray with  $Z=1 \dots$



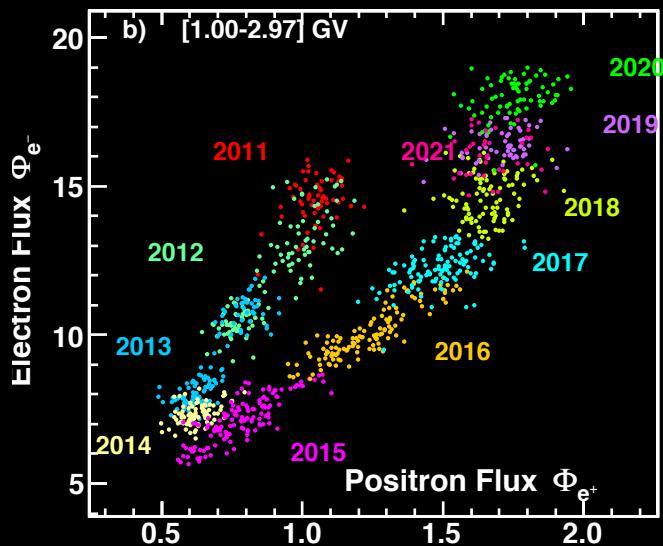
**electron v.s. proton**

Different mass, opposite charge



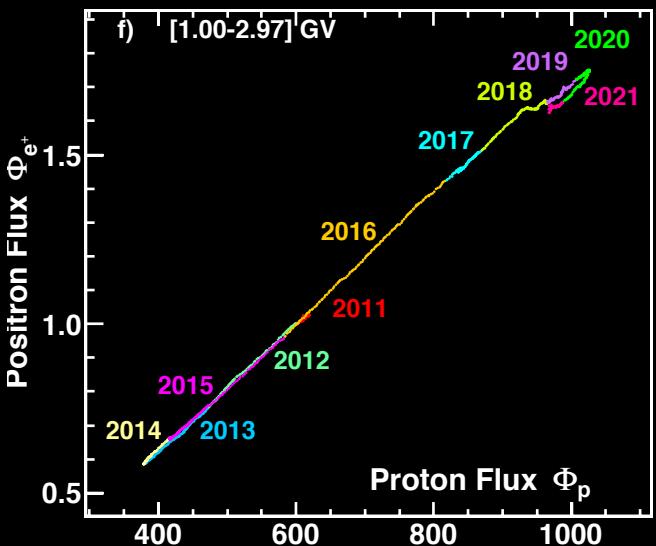
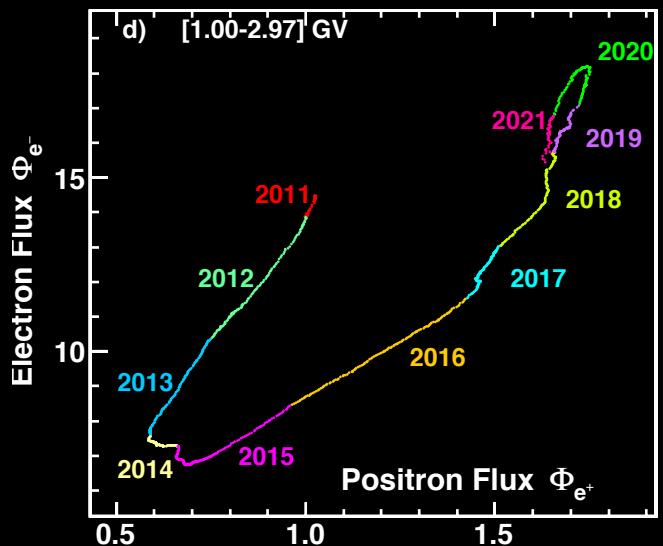
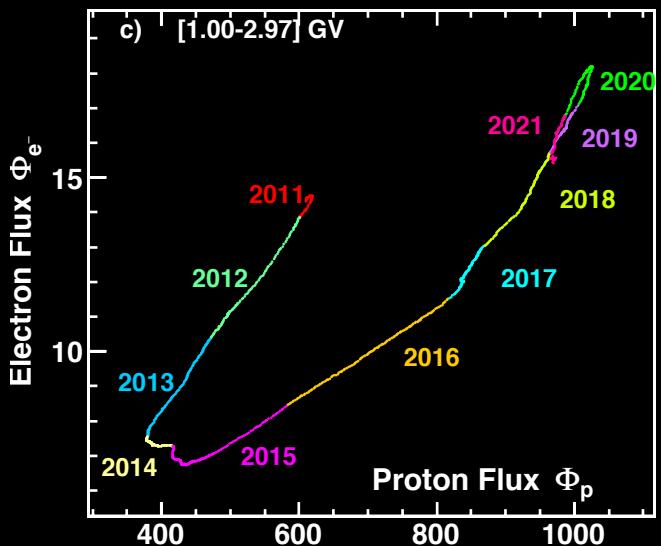
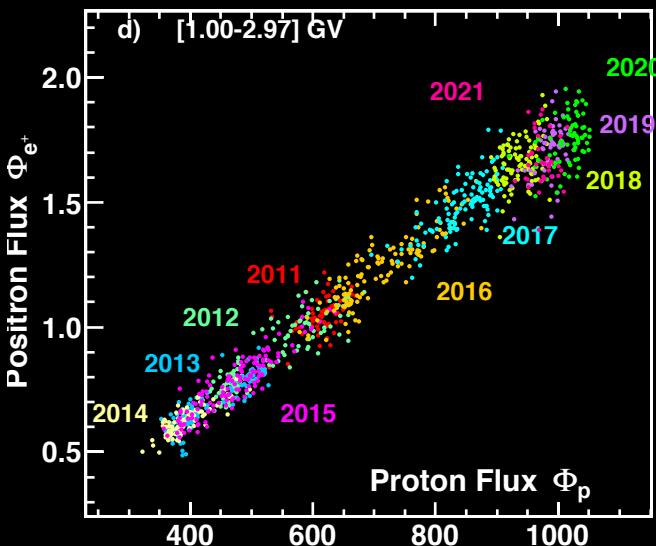
**electron v.s. positron**

Same mass, opposite charge



**positron v.s. proton**

Different mass, same charge

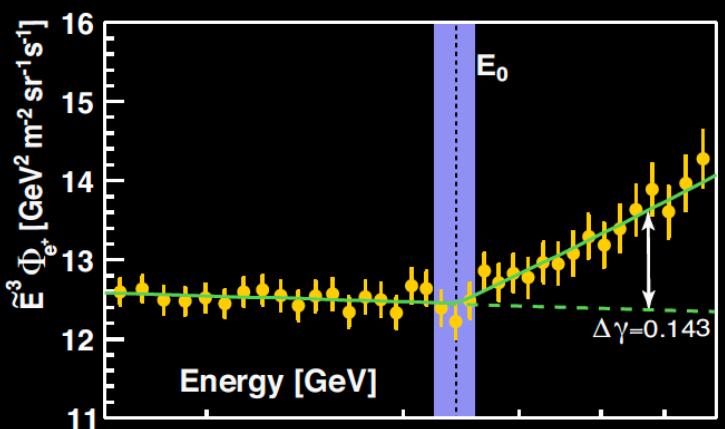
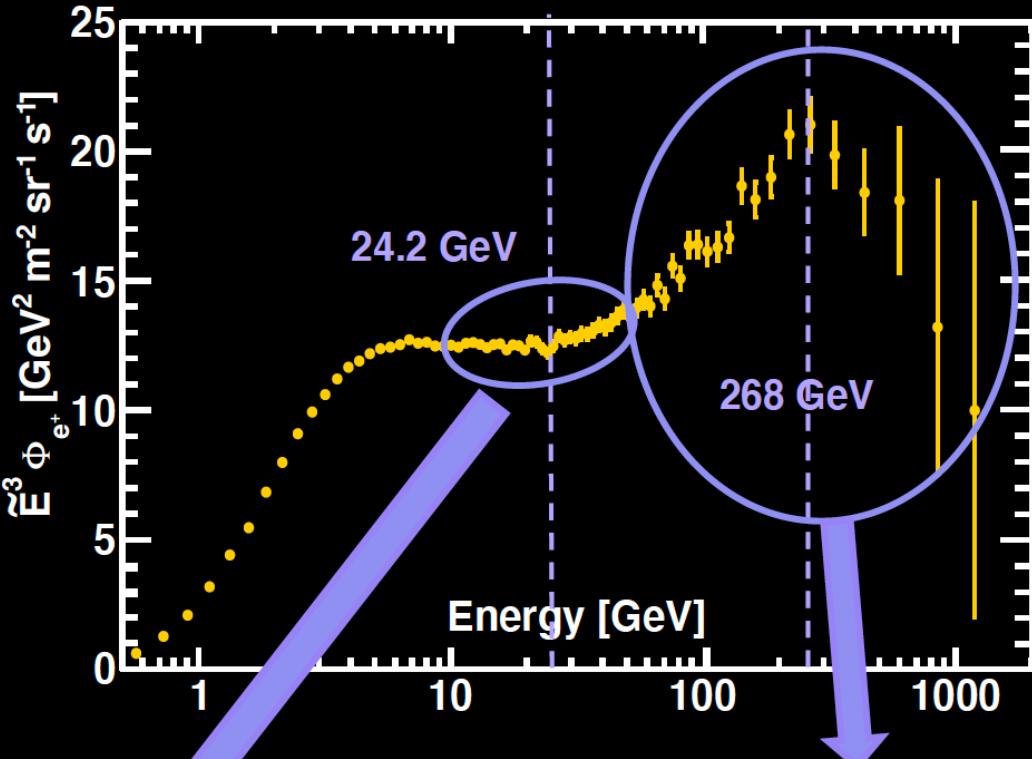


Electron and positron

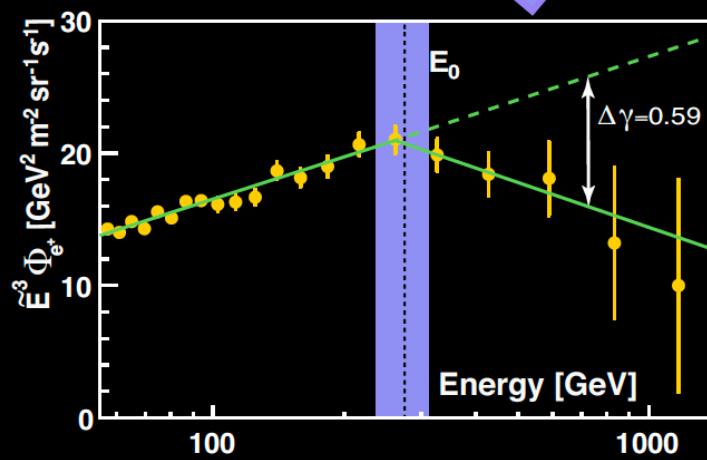
# Transition energy for positrons

Fits of the data to

$$\Phi_{e^+}(E) = \begin{cases} CE^\gamma, & E \leq E_0; \\ CE^\gamma(E/E_0)^{\Delta\gamma} & E > E_0. \end{cases}$$



**7.8 $\sigma$  excess above  $E_0 = 24.2 \pm 1.1 \text{ GeV}$**



**4.8 $\sigma$  sharp drop-off at  $E_0 = 268^{+35}_{-33} \text{ GeV}$**

# Origin of Cosmic Electrons

Traditionally, Cosmic Ray spectrum is described **by a power law function.**

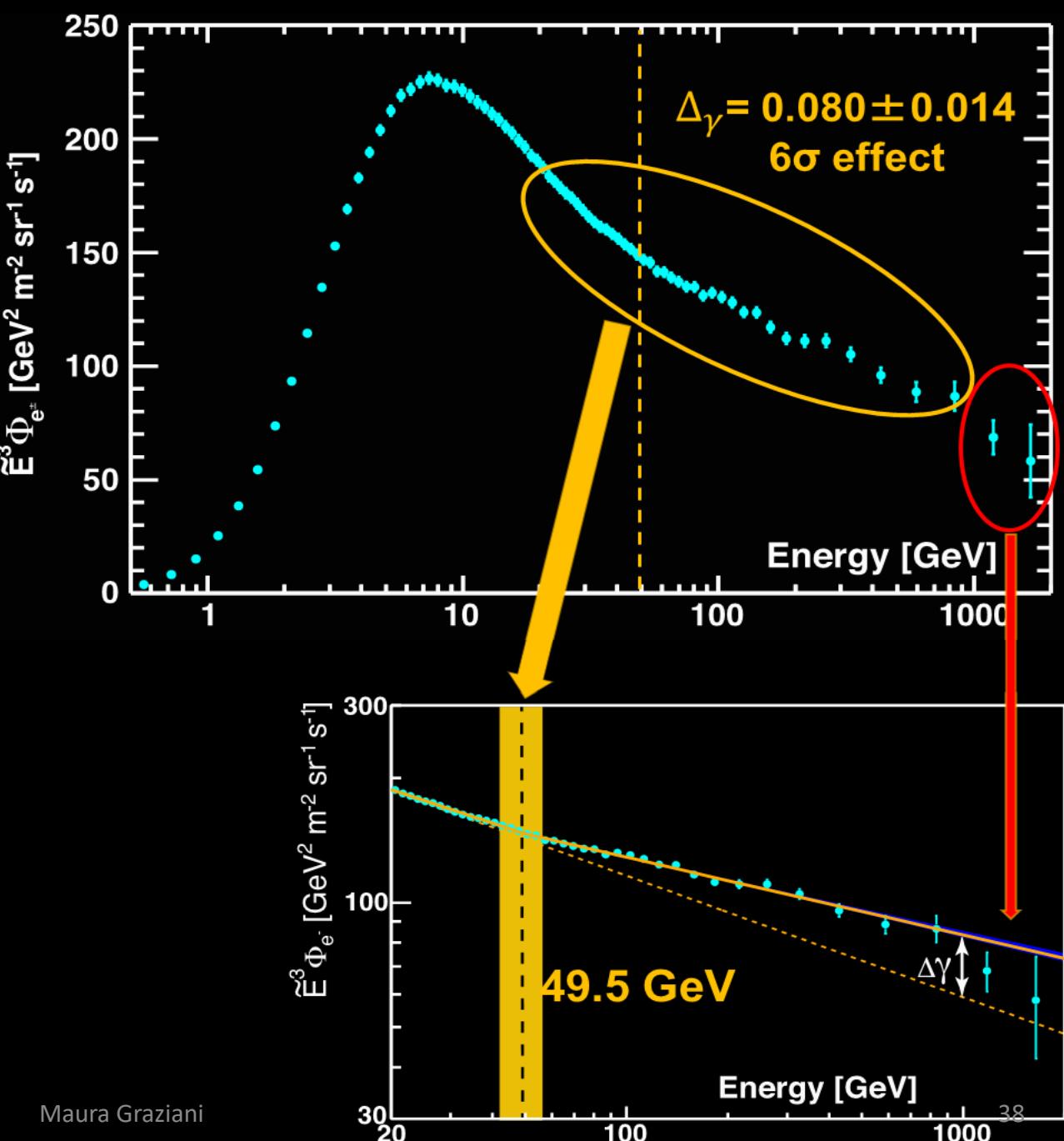
**Change of the behavior at  $\sim 50$  GeV and at  $\sim 1$  TeV**

## Fit to data

$$\Phi_{e^-}(E) = \begin{cases} CE^\gamma, & E \leq E_0; \\ CE^\gamma(E/E_0)^{\Delta\gamma}, & E > E_0. \end{cases}$$

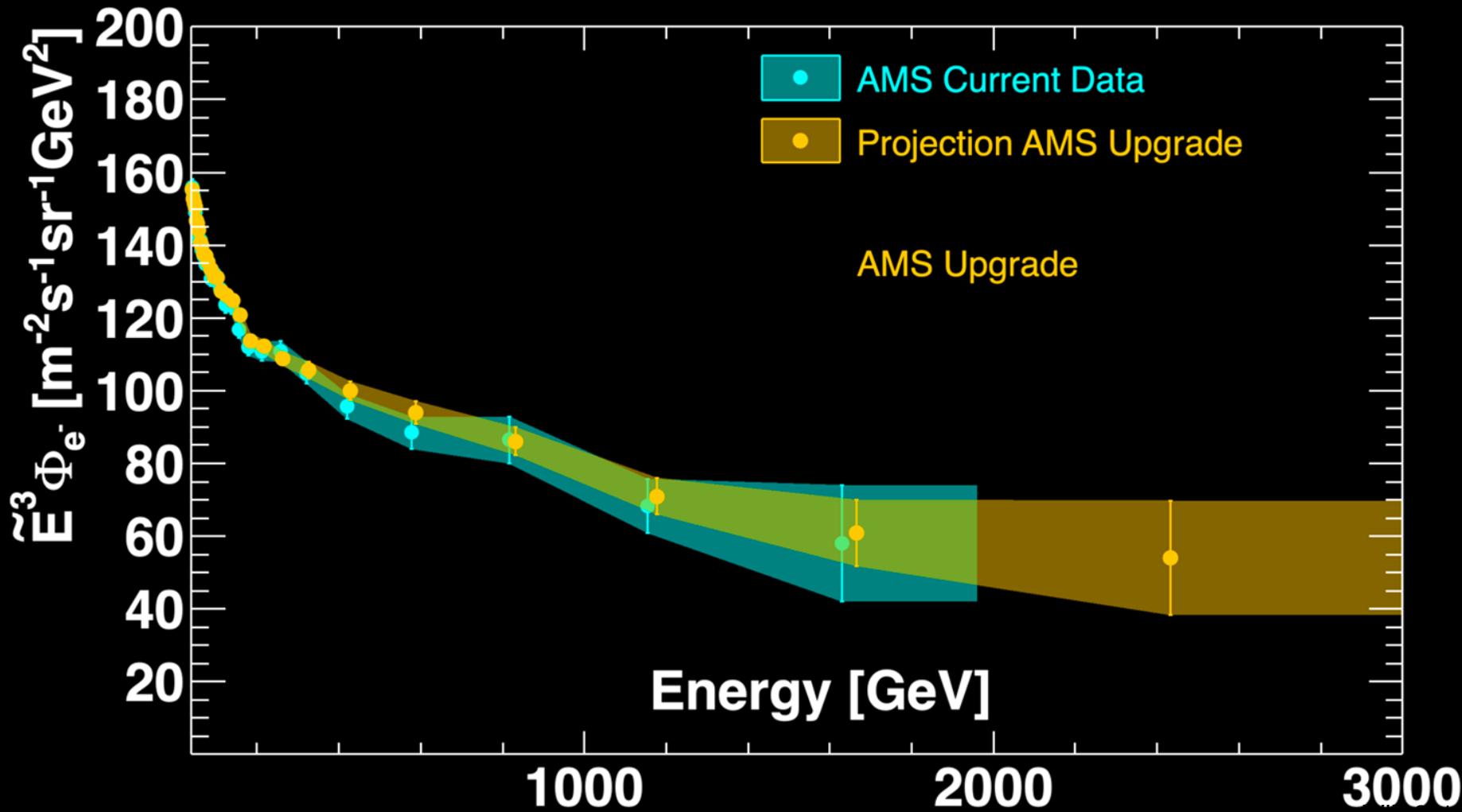
**A significant excess at**

$$E_0 = 49.5 \pm 5.6 \text{ GeV}$$



## AMS.02.02 – The Upgrade effect on electron measurement

The upgrade will extend the energy range of the electron flux measurement from **2 TeV to 3 TeV and reduce the error by a factor of two.**

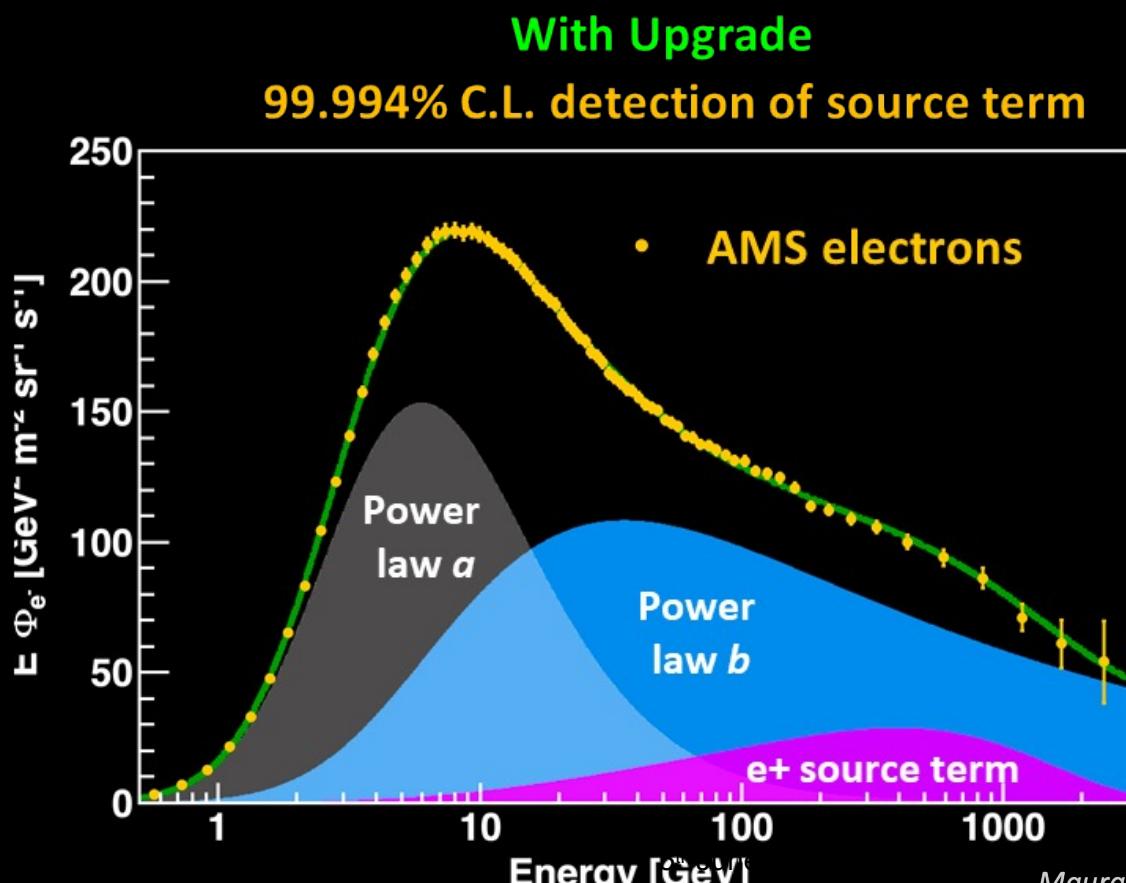
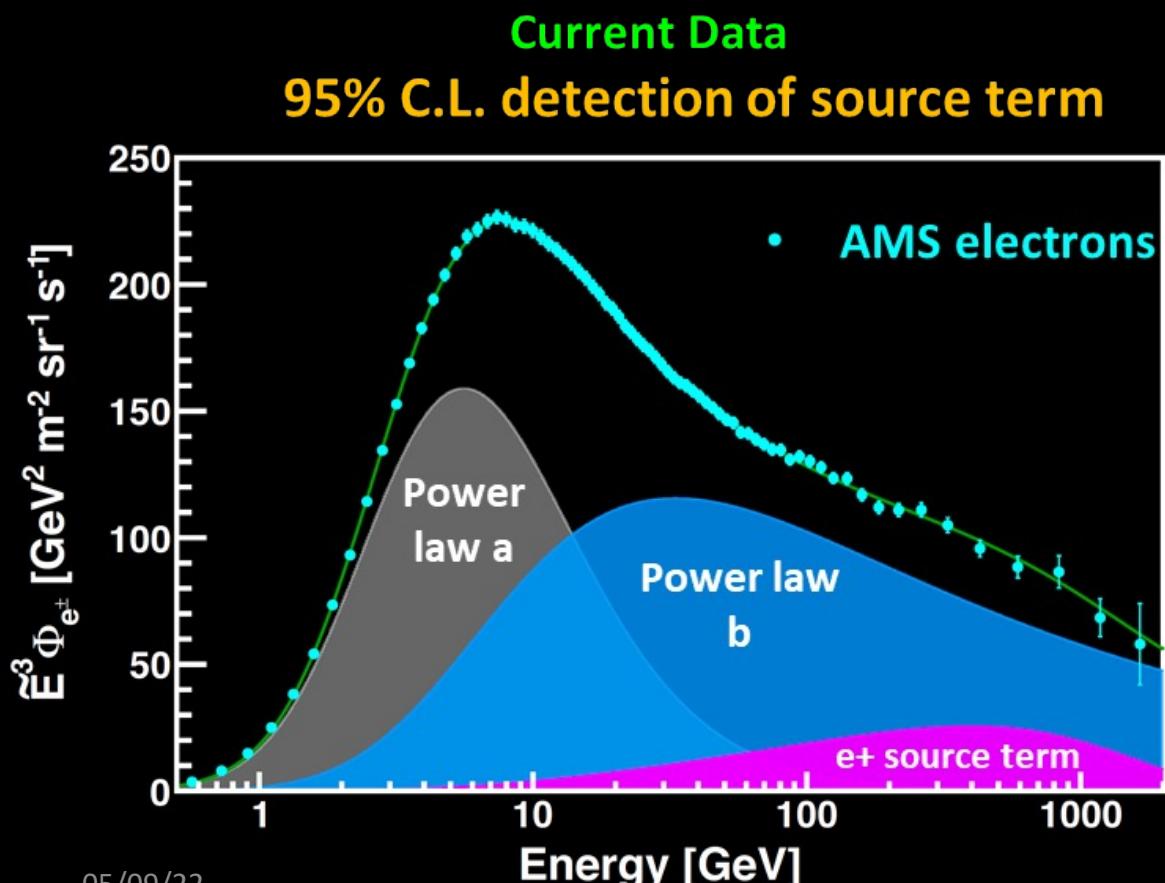


# AMS.02.02 – The Upgrade effect on electron measurement

The upgrade will establish the charge-symmetric nature of the high energy positron source term

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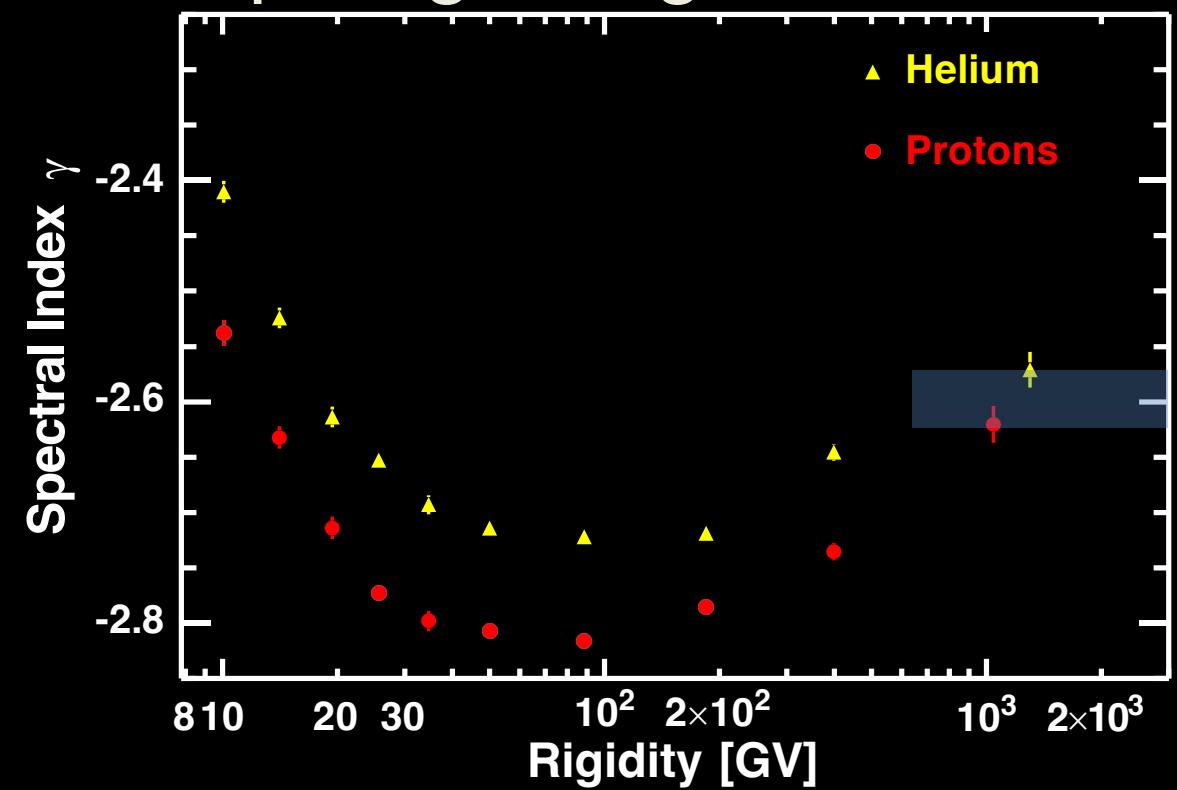
$$\Phi_{e^-}(E) = S(E) \left[ C_a (\hat{E}/E_a)^{\gamma_a} + C_b (\hat{E}/E_b)^{\gamma_b} + f_s C_s^{e^+} (\hat{E}/E_2)^{\gamma_s^{e^+}} \exp(-E/E_s^{e^+}) \right]$$



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# Proton/Helium Flux Ratio

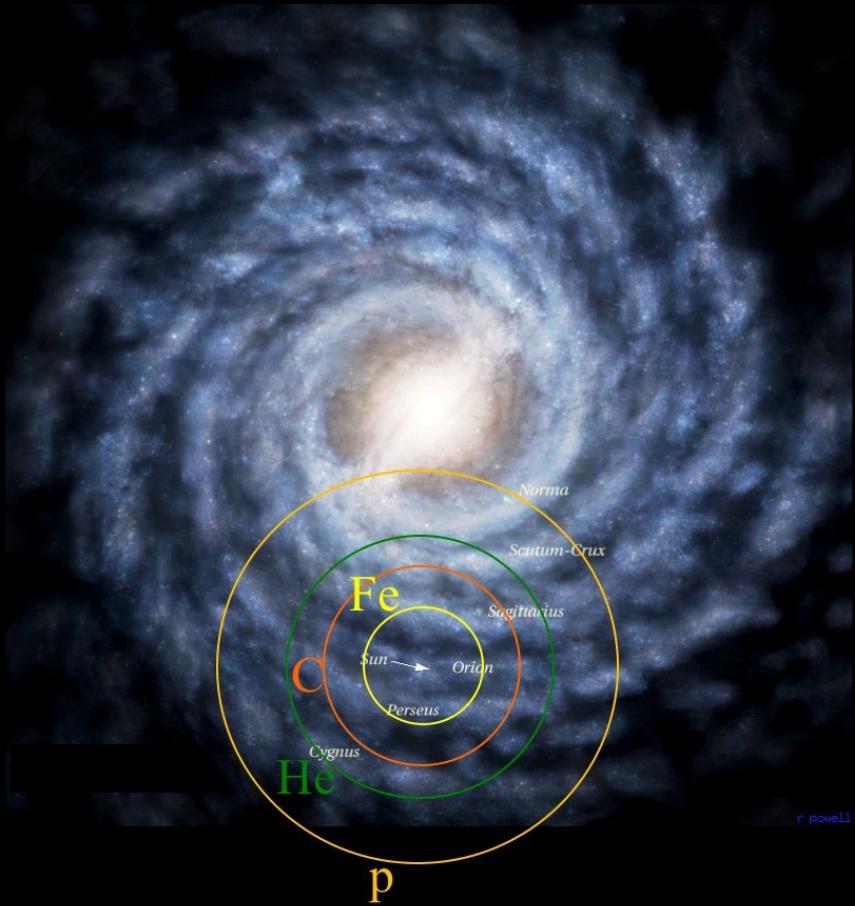
$$\gamma = d\log \Phi / d\log R$$



P and He may have same spectral index at highest rigidities

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AMS found that proton flux have two components, one is like Helium and another is unique to proton flux.



The effective propagation distances  
for p, He, C, and Fe for 1 GV rigidity.

Measurements of the heavy secondary cosmic ray nuclei with  $Z>14$  will allow AMS to study propagation properties in the Galaxy at different distances. The precision AMS data will provide the most comprehensive information on the cosmic ray propagation model.

# Latest AMS Results: Sulfur Rigidity Dependence

