

## Ultrahigh-energy cosmic-ray induced gamma-ray and neutrino fluxes from blazars

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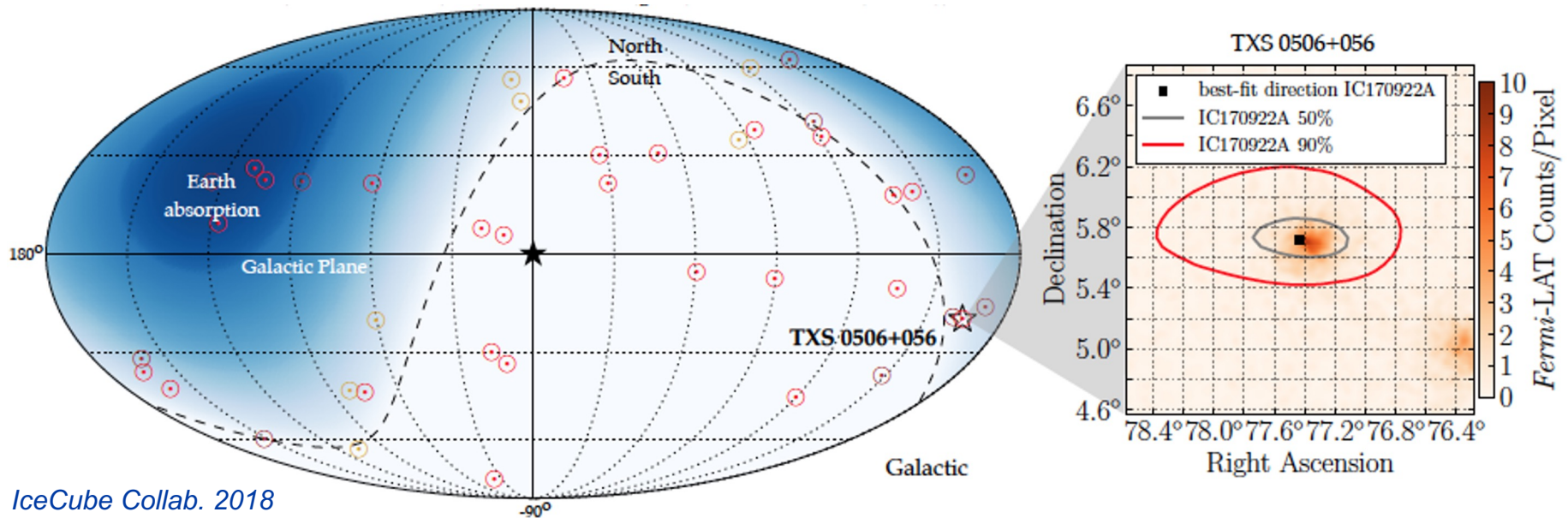
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# Plausible association of blazars and $\nu$

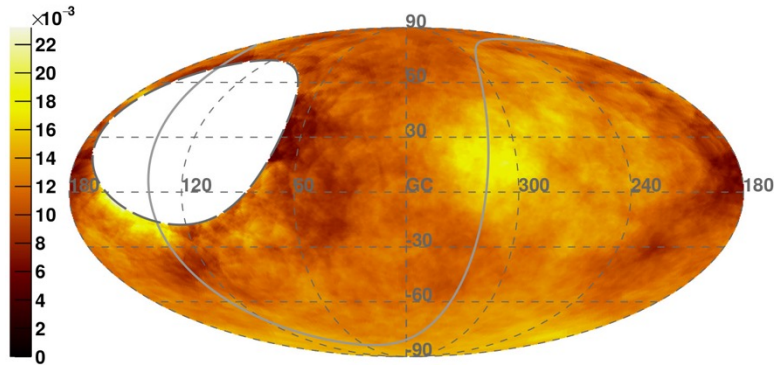
- IC -170922A event detected from the direction of BL Lac TXS 0506+056 during flare in 2017
- Chance coincidence can be rejected at 3 sigma level



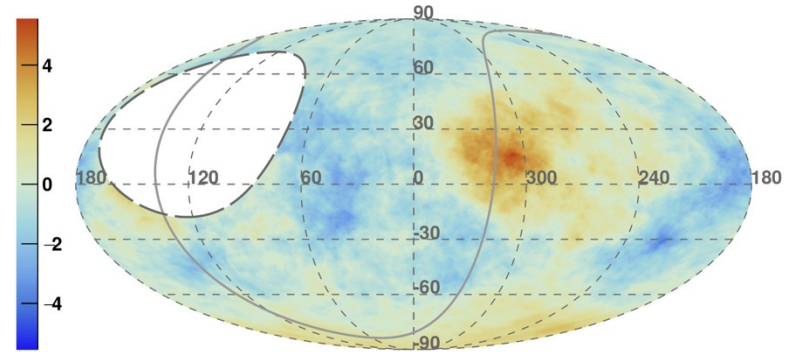
# UHECR Sky



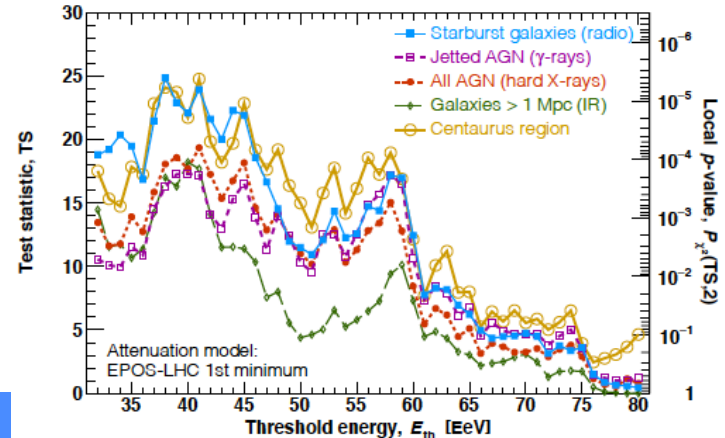
$\Phi(E_{\text{Auger}} > 41 \text{ EeV}) [\text{km}^{-2} \text{sr}^{-1} \text{yr}^{-1}]$  - Galactic coordinates -  $\Psi = 24^\circ$



Pre-trial Li & Ma  $\sigma(E_{\text{Auger}} > 41 \text{ EeV})$  - Galactic coordinates -  $\Psi = 24^\circ$



- Auger flux map with a top-hat smoothing function
- Auger pre-trial TS map of over-dense regions
- TS profile of association with source catalogs



# Motivation ...

→ Detection of PeV neutrinos from blazars implies acceleration of cosmic rays to  $\geq 10$  PeV

→ Blazars are plausible candidates for UHECRs, capable of accelerating particles to  $10^{20}$  eV

→ Escaping UHECRs from IceCube blazars can interact in the microwave, infrared, optical background field

→ Produce line of sight neutrinos and gamma rays, if the intervening magnetic field is low,  $< 10^{-14}$  G

**Detection can establish blazars as UHECR sources**

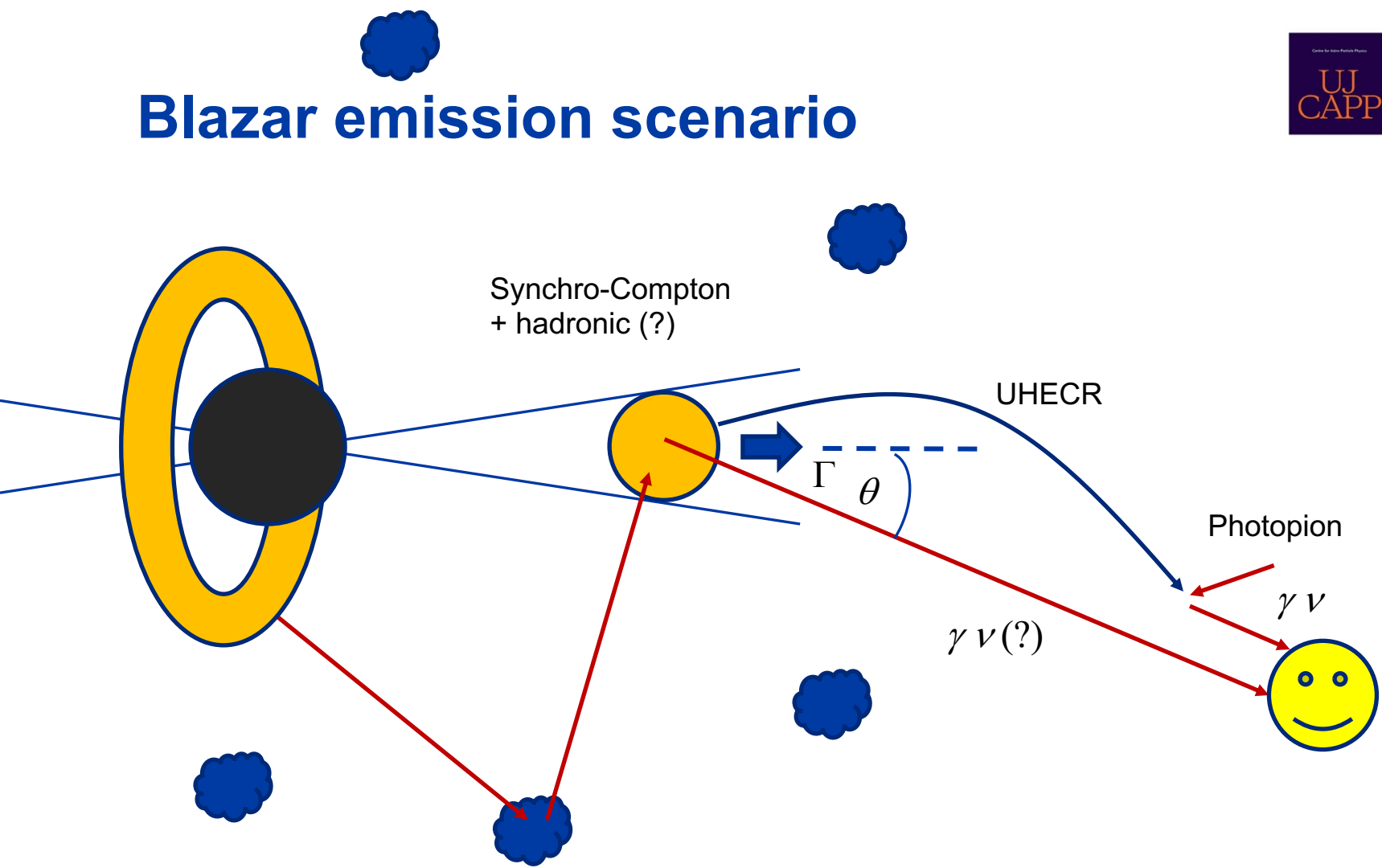
*Essey & Kusenko 2010*

*Essey, Kalashev, Kusenko & Beacom 2010*

*Razzaque, Dermer & Finke 2012*

*Kalashev, Kusenko & Essey 2013*

# Blazar emission scenario



# Strategy ...

- Select blazars with non-variable VHE emission

UHECR contribution is relevant only for non-variable gamma-ray emission from blazars

Any variability in gamma rays from UHECRs will wash-out while propagation

- Fit SEDs with single-zone leptonic SSC model + LoS gamma rays from UHECRs

Fit quiescent/steady-state spectrum

- Check if gamma-rays from UHECRs improve fit to VHE data

1ES 1011+496, 1ES 0229+200, 1ES 1101-232, 1ES 0414+009

# UHECR accel. and escape from jet



Proton shock-acceleration time  $t_{acc}^p \simeq \frac{20\eta r_L}{3 c} \simeq \frac{20\eta \gamma_p m_p c}{3 eB}$

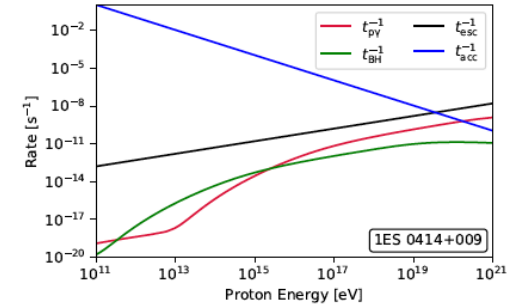
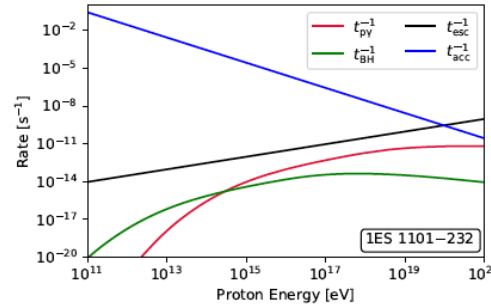
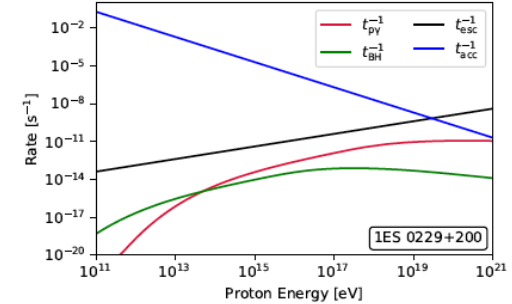
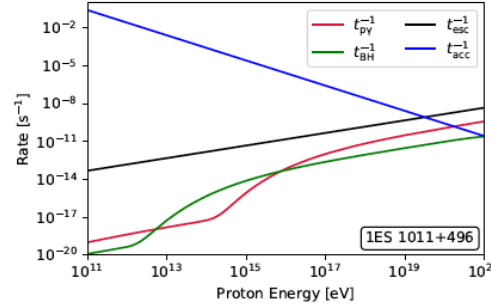
Proton escape time  $t_{esc}^p = \frac{R^2}{4D}$

Diffusion coefficient  $D_0(E/E_0)^{2-q}$

$q = 3/2$  Kraichnan turbulence  
 $D_0 \sim 10^{27} - 10^{30} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$

Pion and e+e- pair energy loss time

$$\frac{1}{t_{p\gamma}} = \frac{c}{2\gamma_p^2} \int_{\epsilon_{th}/2\gamma_p}^{\infty} d\epsilon'_\gamma \frac{n(\epsilon'_\gamma)}{\epsilon'^2_\gamma} \int_{\epsilon_{th}}^{2\epsilon\gamma_p} d\epsilon_r \sigma(\epsilon_r) K(\epsilon_r)$$



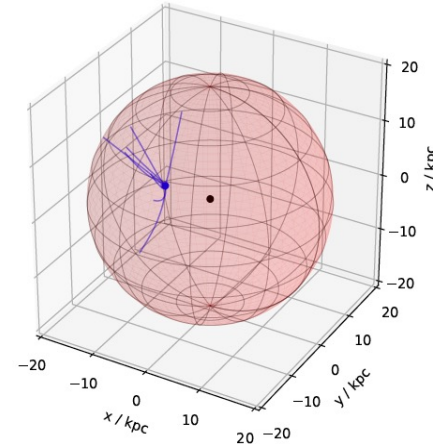
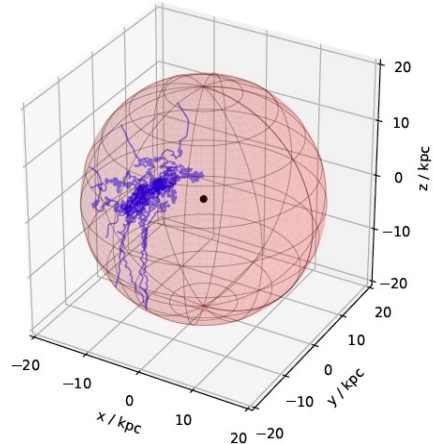
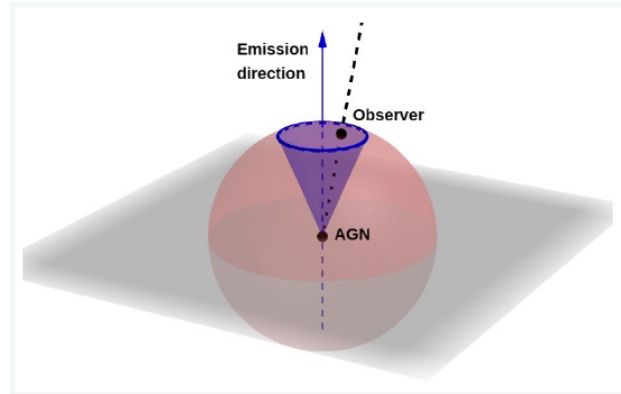
- Escape dominates over energy loss rate for protons
- Acceleration is limited by escape time
- Maximum proton energy escaping as UHECRs  $\sim 10^{20}$  eV

# UHECR propagation in intergal. media

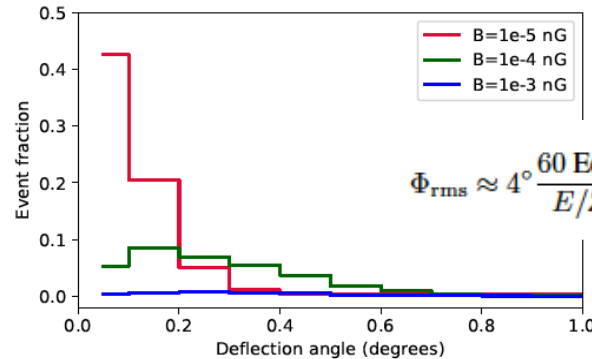
- Magnetic fields scramble directionality at low energies
- Deflection becomes smaller at higher energies

LoS propagation

$10^{17}$  eV



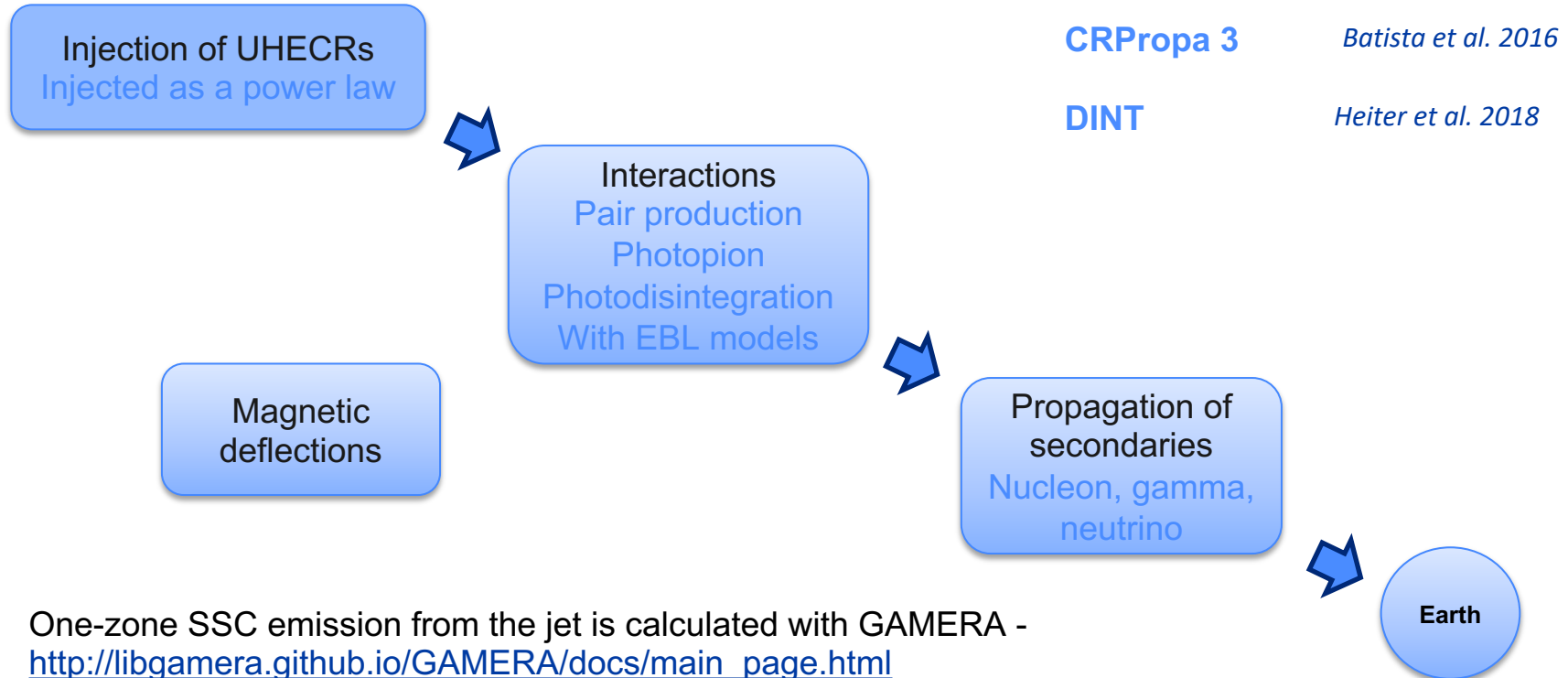
$10^{19}$  eV



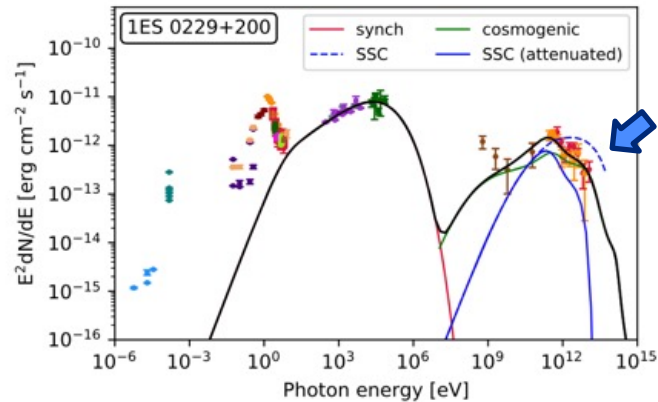
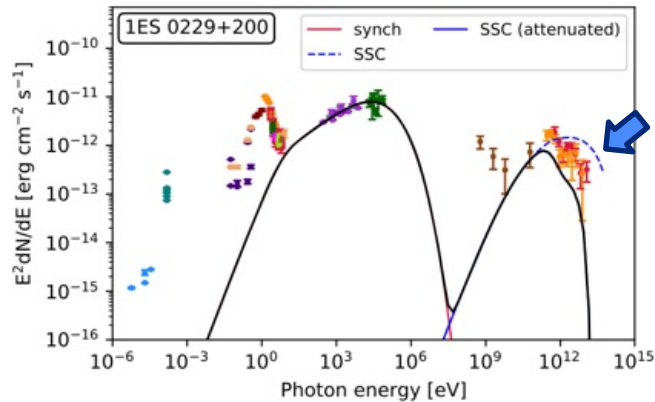
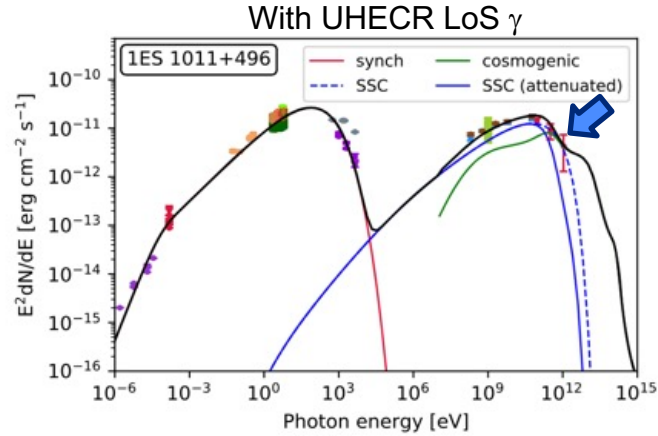
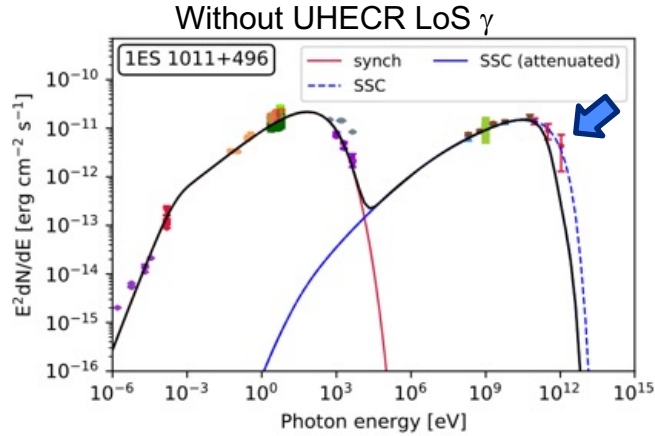
$$\Phi_{\text{rms}} \approx 4^\circ \frac{60 \text{ EeV}}{E/Z} \frac{B_{\text{rms}}}{10^{-9} \text{ G}} \sqrt{\frac{D}{100 \text{ Mpc}}} \sqrt{\frac{l_c}{1 \text{ Mpc}}}$$



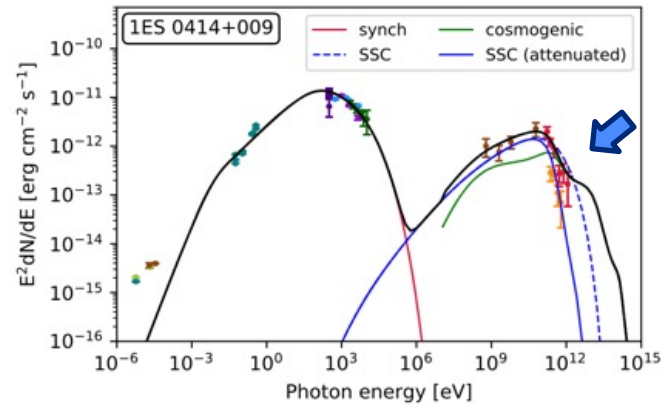
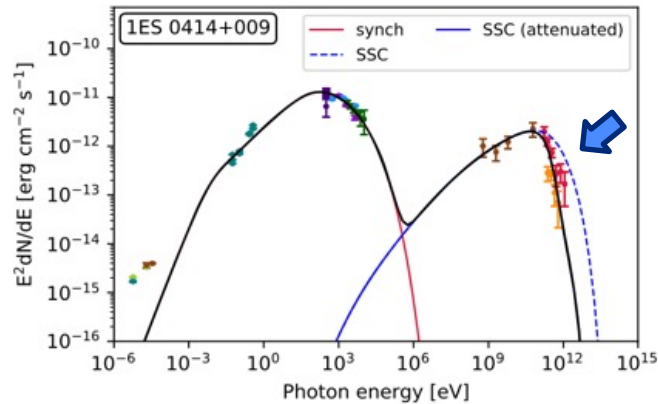
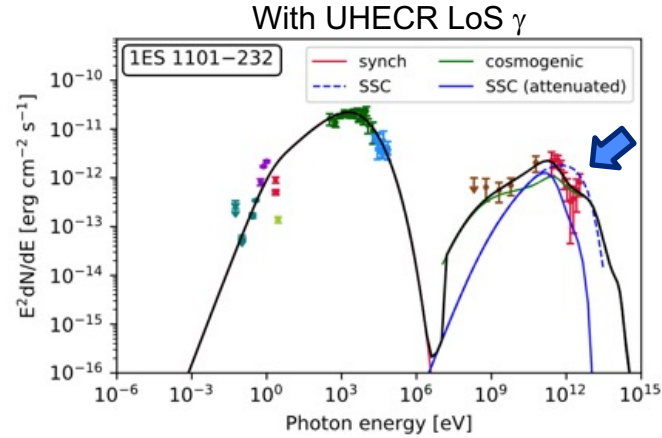
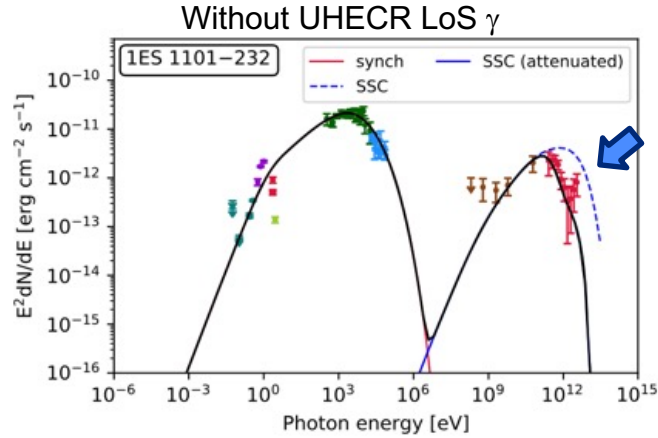
# Interactions and secondaries



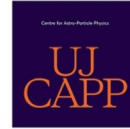
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# SED model parameters



**Table 2**  
Fit Parameters for the Multiwavelength SED Modeling in Figure 4

| HBL                               | $E_{e,min}$<br>(GeV) | $E_{e,cut}$<br>(GeV) | $\alpha$ | $R$<br>(cm)          | $B$<br>(Gauss) | $\delta_D$ | $L_e$<br>(erg s <sup>-1</sup> ) | $L_B$<br>(erg s <sup>-1</sup> ) | $L_{UHECR}$<br>(erg s <sup>-1</sup> ) | $L_{Edd}$<br>(erg s <sup>-1</sup> ) |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------|----------------------|----------------|------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Pure-leptonic model               |                      |                      |          |                      |                |            |                                 |                                 |                                       |                                     |
| 1ES 1011+496                      | 0.08                 | 75.0                 | 2.2      | $1.5 \times 10^{17}$ | 0.024          | 20         | $5.8 \times 10^{38}$            | $1.9 \times 10^{43}$            | ...                                   | ...                                 |
| 1ES 0229+200                      | 10.00                | 1500.0               | 2.2      | $1.0 \times 10^{16}$ | 0.015          | 40         | $1.3 \times 10^{38}$            | $1.3 \times 10^{41}$            | ...                                   | ...                                 |
| 1ES 1101-232                      | 5.70                 | 550.0                | 2.0      | $8.4 \times 10^{16}$ | 0.020          | 22         | $6.0 \times 10^{37}$            | $5.1 \times 10^{42}$            | ...                                   | ...                                 |
| 1ES 0414+009                      | 0.20                 | 200.0                | 2.0      | $7.0 \times 10^{16}$ | 0.080          | 22         | $7.6 \times 10^{37}$            | $5.7 \times 10^{43}$            | ...                                   | ...                                 |
| Leptonic + hadronic (UHECR) model |                      |                      |          |                      |                |            |                                 |                                 |                                       |                                     |
| 1ES 1011+496                      | 0.04                 | 65.0                 | 2.0      | $2.2 \times 10^{17}$ | 0.020          | 20         | $3.8 \times 10^{38}$            | $2.9 \times 10^{43}$            | $4.8 \times 10^{44}$                  | $5.1 \times 10^{46}$                |
| 1ES 0229+200                      | 10.00                | 1500.0               | 2.2      | $1.0 \times 10^{16}$ | 0.015          | 40         | $1.3 \times 10^{38}$            | $1.3 \times 10^{41}$            | $2.6 \times 10^{43}$                  | $1.7 \times 10^{47}$                |
| 1ES 1101-232                      | 5.70                 | 500.0                | 2.0      | $1.4 \times 10^{17}$ | 0.020          | 22         | $3.5 \times 10^{37}$            | $1.4 \times 10^{43}$            | $3.0 \times 10^{43}$                  | $1.0 \times 10^{47}$                |
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# Blazars associated with IceCube $\nu$

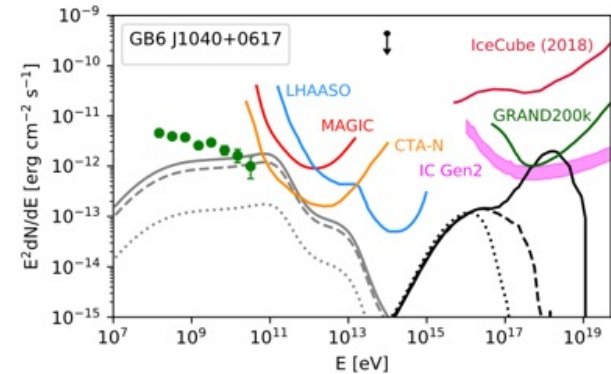
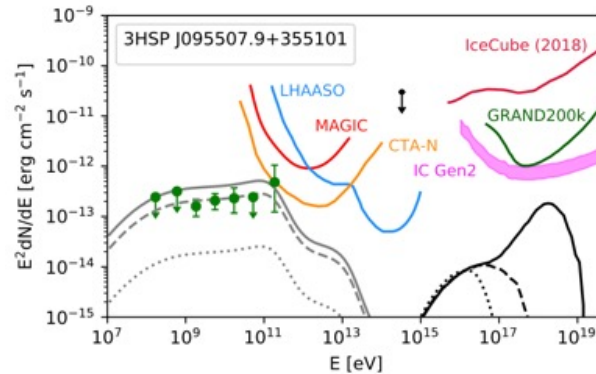
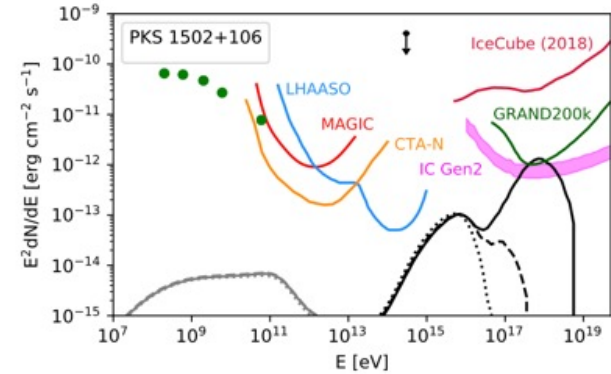
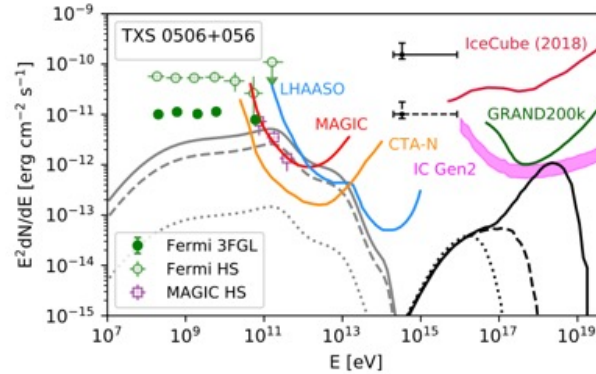
## Four source candidates

- **IC-170922A:** TXS 0506+056 ( $z = 0.3365$ ) *IceCube Collab. 2018*
- **IC-190730A:** PKS 1502+106 ( $z = 1.84$ ) *IceCube Collab. 2019*
- **IC-200107A:** 3HSP J095507.9+355101 ( $z = 0.557$ ) *IceCube Collab. 2020*
- **IC-141209A:** GB6 J1040+0617 ( $z = 0.7351$ ) *Garappa et al. 2019*

- Calculate neutrino luminosity from IceCube event in the relevant energy range
- UHECR proton ( $> 10^{17}$  eV) luminosity:  $L_{\text{UHECR}} = \alpha L_{\text{IC}\nu}$
- Inject UHECR protons with spectrum  $E^{-2.2}$ ,  $B_{\text{IGMF}} = 10^{-16}$  G
- LoS  $\nu$  and  $\gamma$  fluxes have hard spectra compared to source fluxes
- Detection of LoS  $\nu$  and/or  $\gamma$  fluxes can confirm IC blazars as UHECR sources

# LoS $\nu$ and $\gamma$ from IceCube Blazars

- IceCube (2018) flux upper limit from 9 years of ([Aartsen et al. 2018](#))
- IceCube Gen2 with radio upgrade 5 yr sensitivity ([Aartsen et al. 2019](#))
- GRAND 200k is sensitivity is for 3-yr observation ([Alvarez-Muniz et al. 2020](#))
- LHAASO 1-yr sensitivity ([Veretto 2016](#))
- MAGIC 50-hr sensitivity ([Aleksic et al. 2016](#))
- CTA-N 50-hr sensitivity ([Gueta, ICRC 2021](#))
- See also future neutrino follow-up by CTA ([Sergijenko, ICRC 2021](#))



# Prospects for Detection

- ✓ • **TXS 0506+056** can be detected with LoS neutrinos by IC Gen-2 and with LoS photons by CTA, if  $L_{\text{UHCR}} \geq 5L_{\text{ICv}}$  (7.5 yr)  $\sim 2 \times 10^{46}$  erg/s
- ✗ • **PKS 1502+106** can be detected with LoS neutrinos by IC Gen-2, but  $L_{\text{ICv}}$  (10 yr)  $\sim 10^{49}$  erg/s is already above the Eddington luminosity because of its high redshift
- ✓ • **3HSP J095507.9+355101** can be detected with LoS neutrinos by IC Gen-2, if  $L_{\text{UHCR}} \geq 10L_{\text{ICv}}$  (10 yr)  $\sim 4 \times 10^{47}$  erg/s and with LoS photons by CTA, if  $L_{\text{UHCR}} \geq 5L_{\text{ICv}} \sim 2 \times 10^{47}$  erg/s
- ✗ • **GB6 J1040+0617** can be detected with LoS neutrinos by IC Gen-2 and with LoS photons by CTA, but  $L_{\text{ICv}}$  (10 yr)  $\sim 10^{48}$  erg/s is already above the Eddington luminosity because of its high redshift

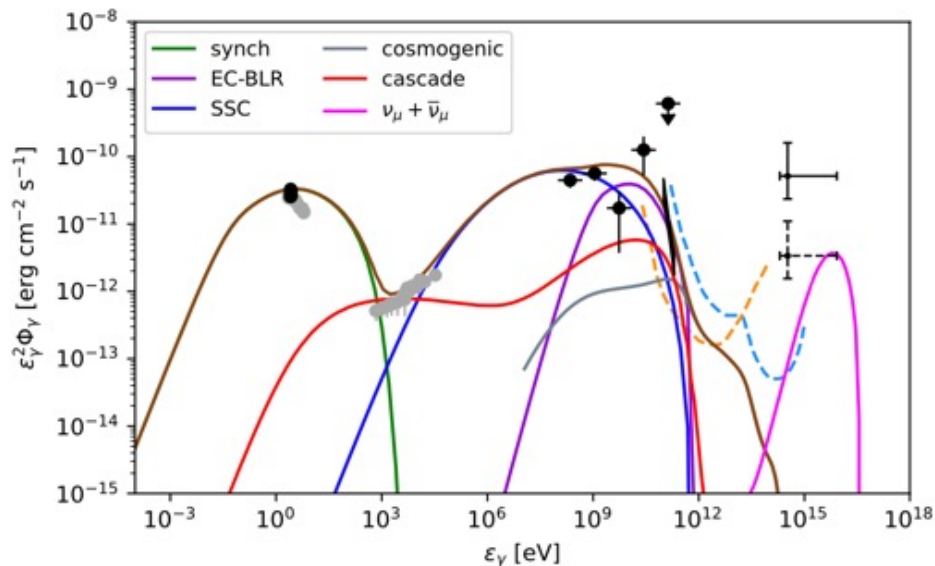
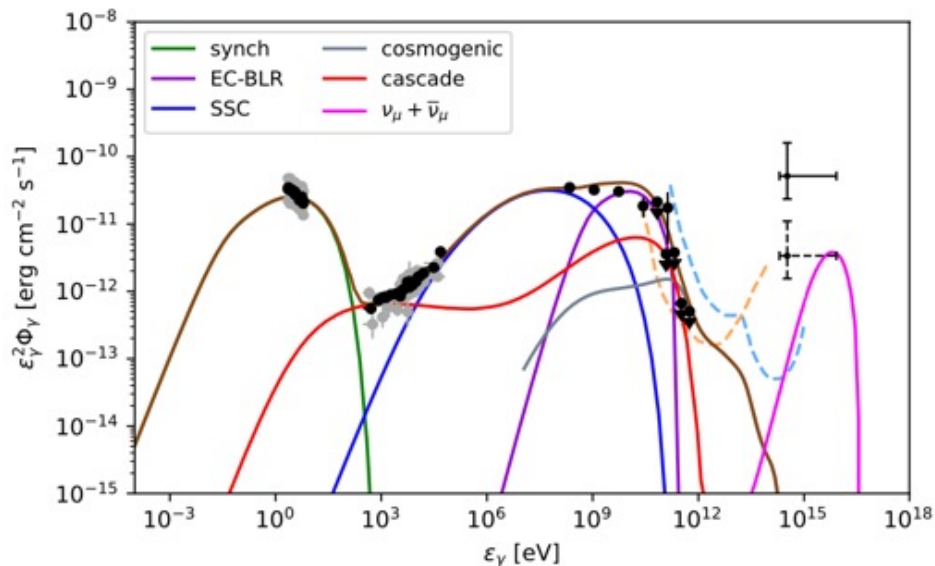


**Detailed SED modeling  
to further constrain  
UHECR components**



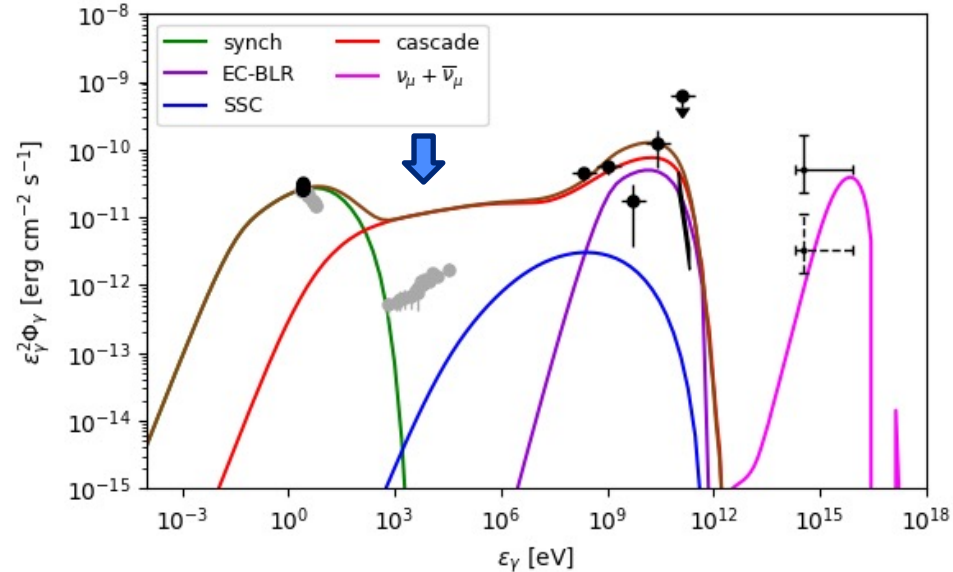
# MM SED Model of TXS 0506+056

- MAGIC campaign: Nov 2017 – Feb 2019 → Flaring in VHE in Dec 2018 (No neutrinos)
- Modeling with leptonic (Synchro+SSC+EC) and hadronic ( $p\gamma$ +cascade) and UHECR emissions
- No variation in neutrino flux from modeling → fitting 7.5 yr IceCube flux



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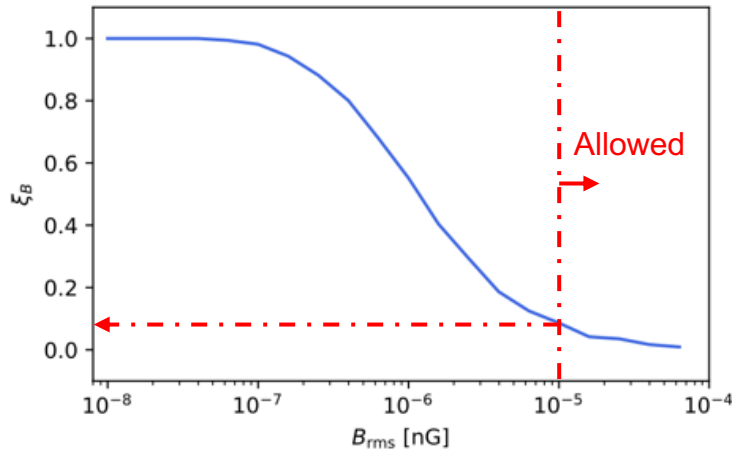
- Constraint from X-ray data disfavors 0.5 yr IceCube neutrino flux
- Gamma-ray and neutrino flares are uncorrelated



# Constraints on model parameters

Lower limit on extragalactic magnetic field from fraction UHECR-induced radiation along line-of-sight

No significant variation in parameters

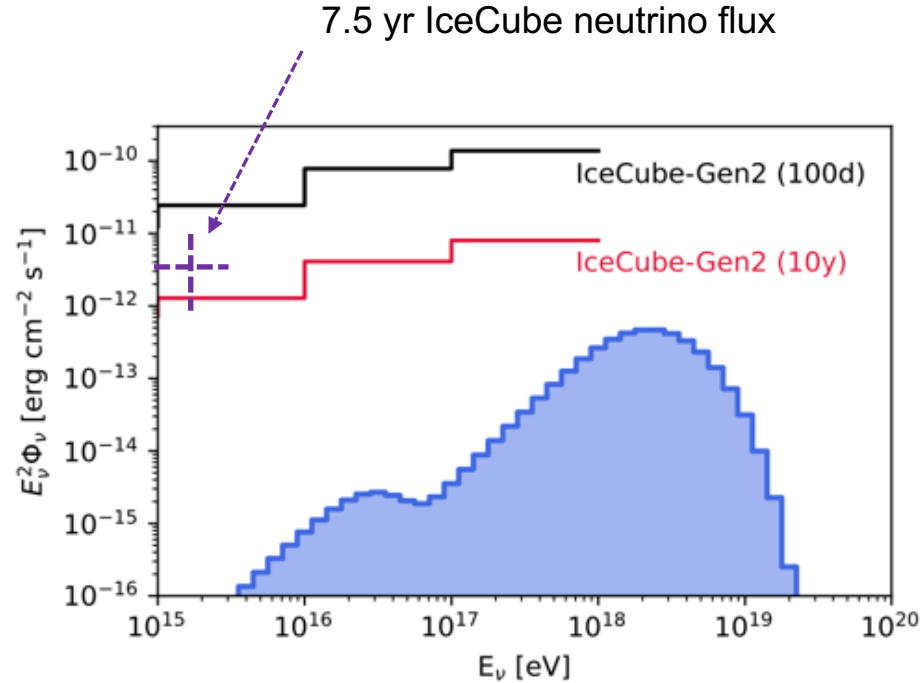


CTA observations can further constrain  $B_{\text{rms}}$

| Parameters                               | Low State            | High State           |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| $\delta_D$                               | 28                   | ''                   |
| $B'$ [G]                                 | 0.28                 | ''                   |
| $R'$ [cm]                                | $10^{16}$            | ''                   |
| $u'_{\text{BLR}}$ [erg/cm <sup>3</sup> ] | 0.01                 | ''                   |
| $T'_{\text{BLR}}$ [K]                    | $2 \times 10^5$      | ''                   |
| $\alpha$ ( $e/p$ spectral index)         | 2.0                  | ''                   |
| $\beta$ (log parabola index)             | 0.3                  | ''                   |
| $E_0$ [MeV]                              | 500                  | ''                   |
| $E'_{e,\text{min}}$ [GeV]                | 0.20                 | 0.25                 |
| $E'_{e,\text{max}}$ [GeV]                | 10                   | 25                   |
| $L_e^{\text{obs}}$ [erg/s]               | $5.8 \times 10^{44}$ | $7.6 \times 10^{44}$ |
| $E'_{p,\text{min}}$ [GeV]                | 10                   | ''                   |
| $E'_{p,\text{max}}$ [PeV]                | 6.3                  | ''                   |
| $L_p^{\text{obs}}$ [erg/s]               | $1.6 \times 10^{48}$ | ''                   |

# Detection of cosmogenic $\nu$ unlikely

TXS 0506+056



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- Line-of-sight neutrino and gamma-ray fluxes can probe UHECR acceleration in sources, if the intergalactic magnetic field is relatively low
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- Fits to SEDs of a few gamma-ray blazars can be improved with LoS gamma ray fluxes together with conventional source SED models
- Detection of LoS neutrino and gamma-ray fluxes from blazars associated with IceCube neutrino detection can establish those as UHECR sources
- TXS 0506+056 is the prime targets for upcoming CTA to probe UHECR acceleration in blazar jets



## Important Deadlines

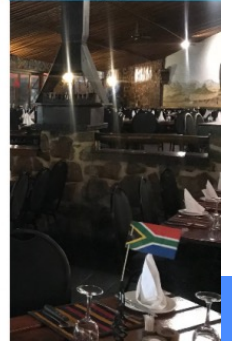
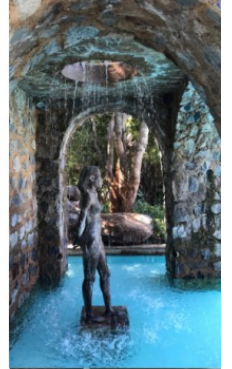
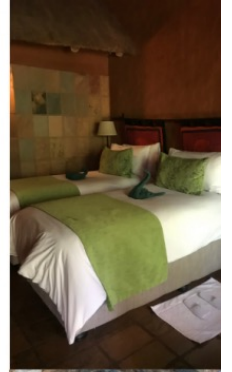
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Abstract submission closes

15 August 2022  
Notification of talks/posters

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# Backup slide – TXS 0506+056

