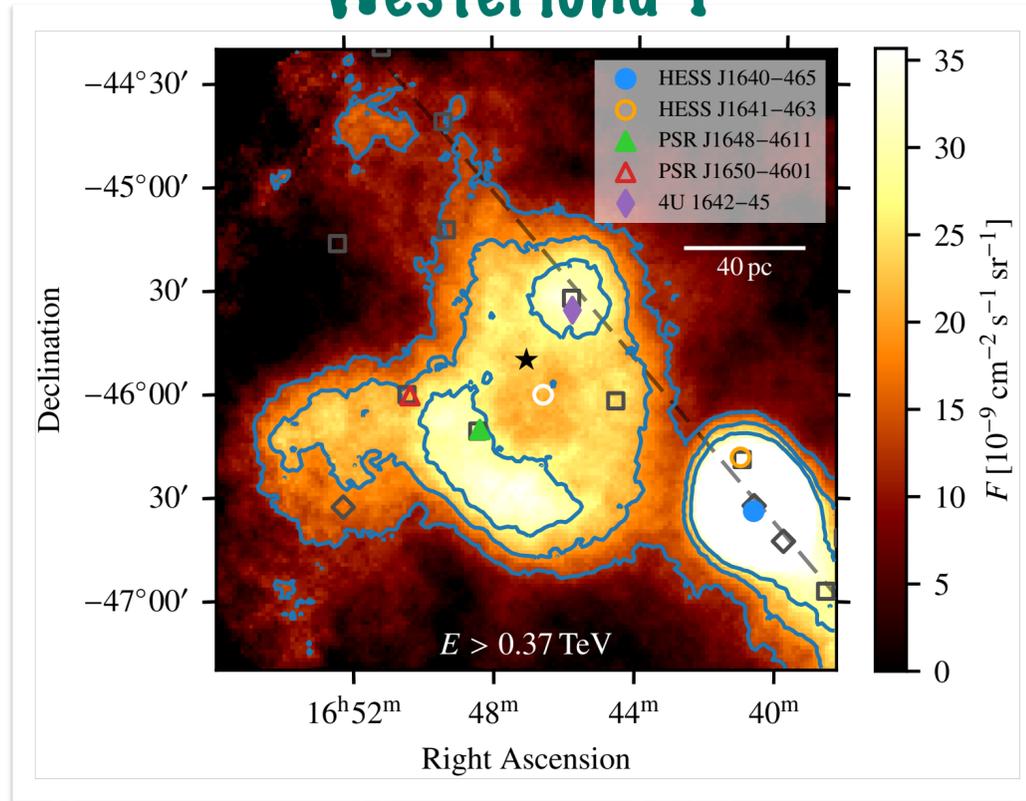
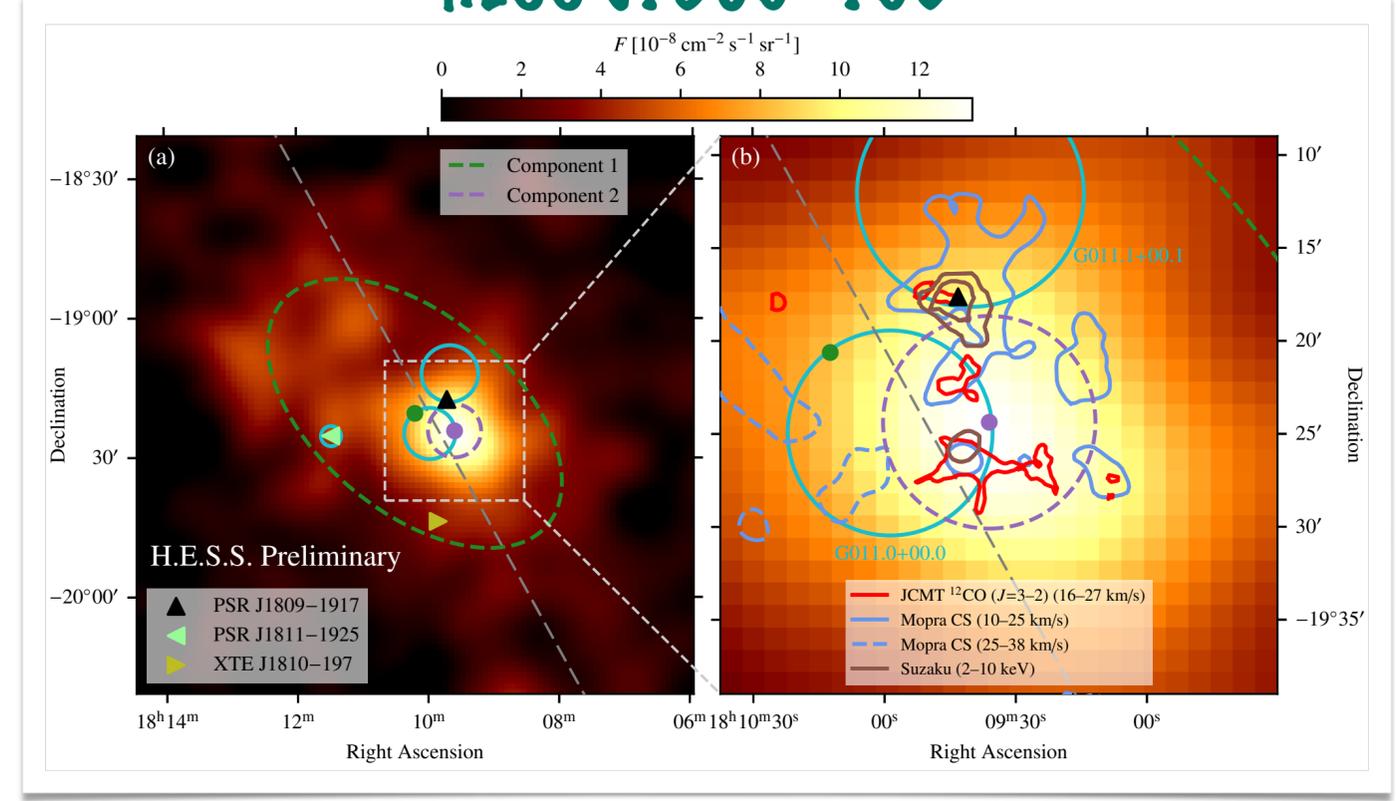




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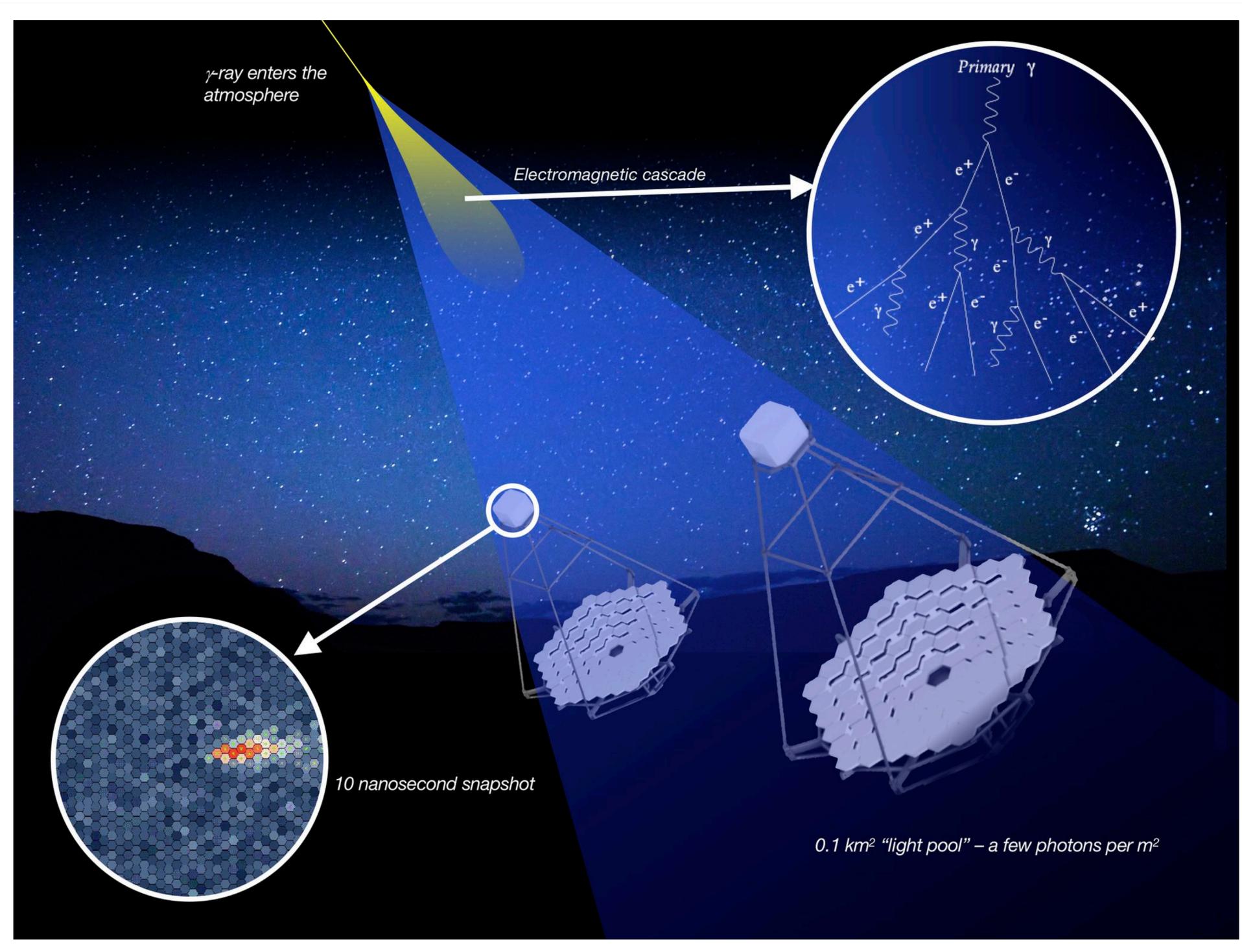
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# Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes (IACTs)



## Disadvantages

- ▶ limited duty cycle (10-15%)
- ▶ limited field of view (few degree)

## Advantages

- ▶ low energy threshold ( $\mathcal{O}(100 \text{ GeV})$ )
- ▶ **high angular resolution**  
( $\lesssim 0.1^\circ$  at 1 TeV)

# Current IACT instruments

## ● H.E.S.S.

- ▶ Khomas highland, Namibia
- ▶ since 2004
- ▶ 1x 28-m + 4x 12-m IACTs



## ● MAGIC

- ▶ La Palma, Spain
- ▶ since 2004
- ▶ 2x 17-m IACTs



## ● VERITAS

- ▶ Arizona, USA
- ▶ since 2007
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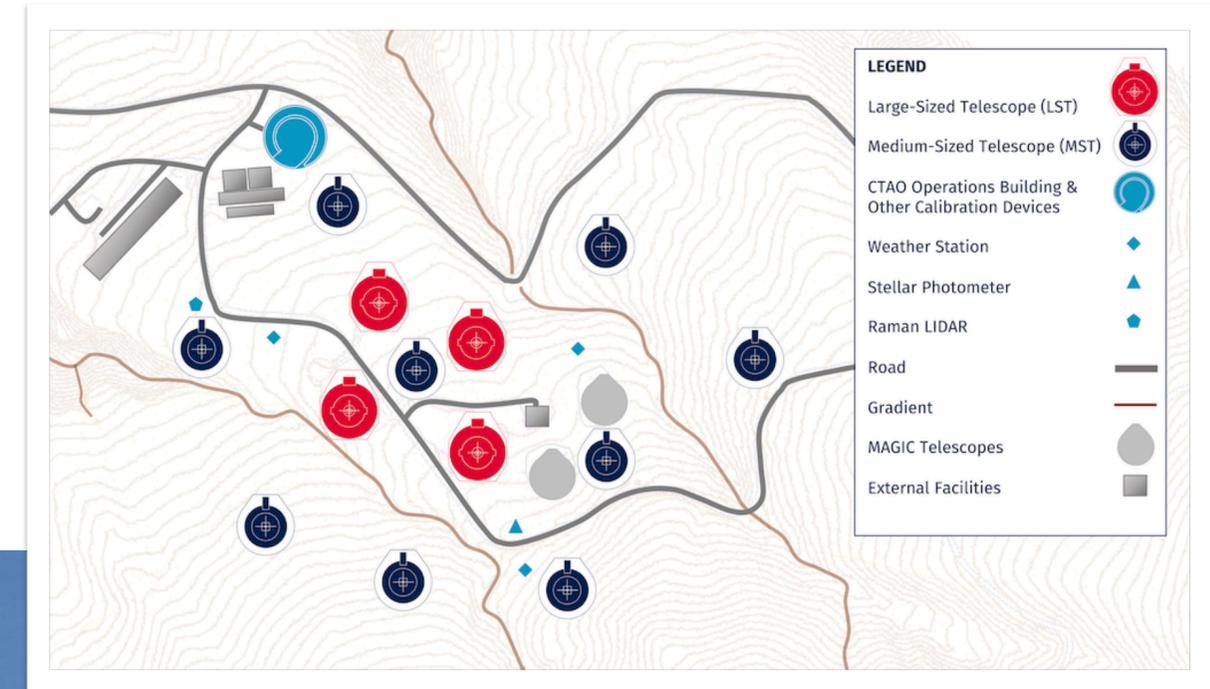


...also: FACT, MACE, ... (not covered here)

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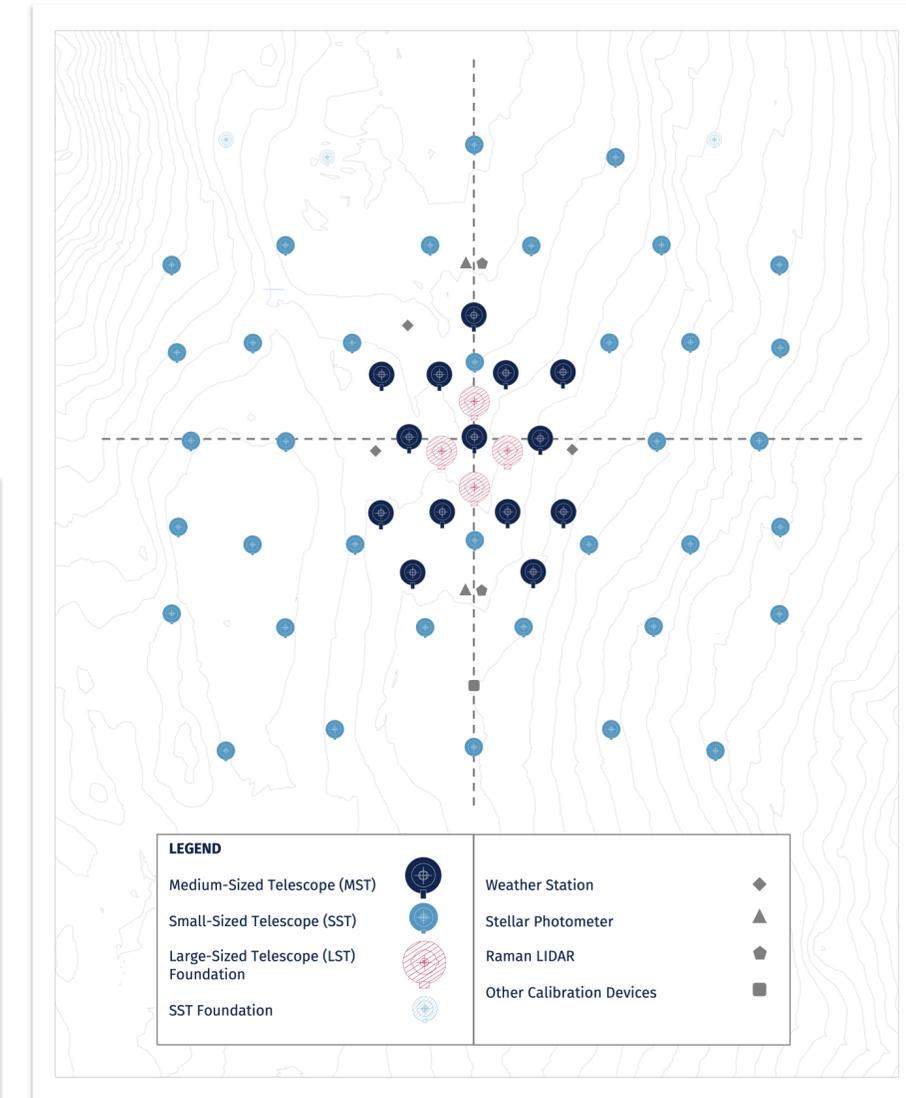
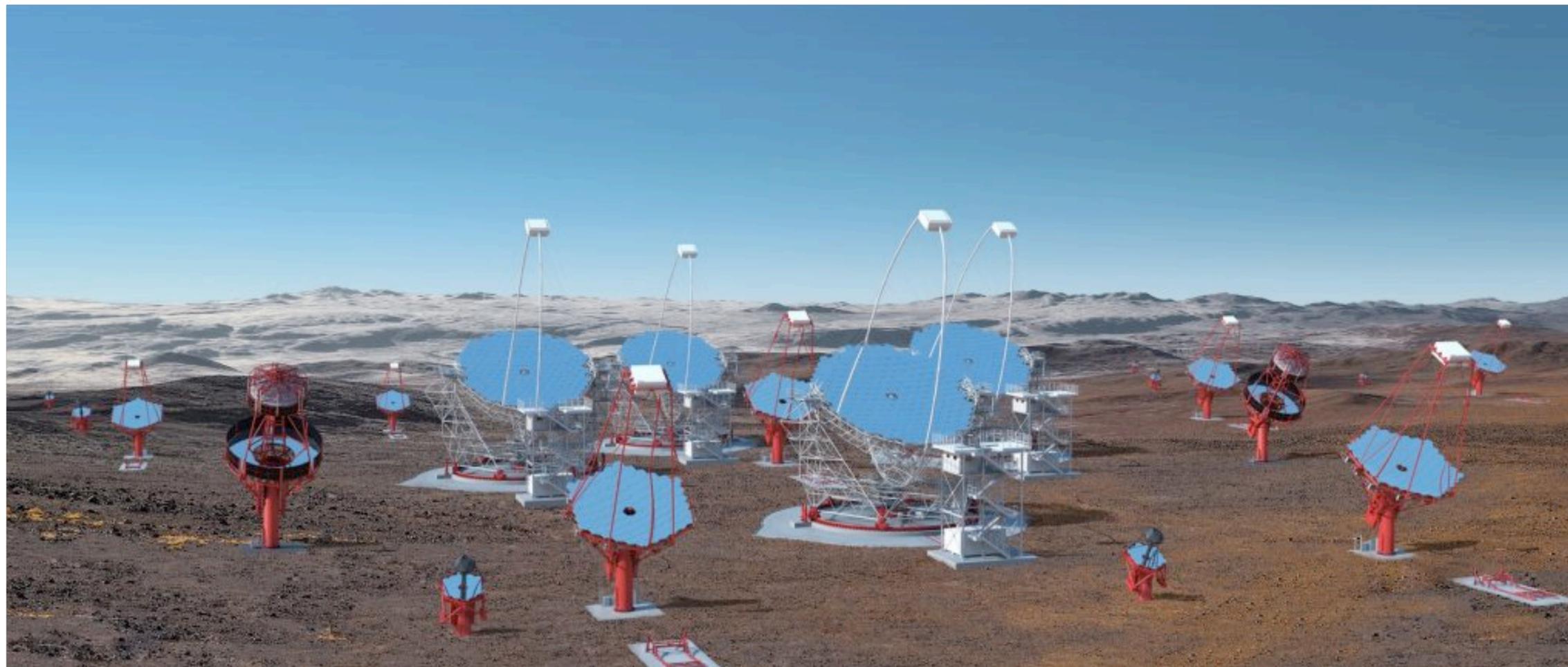
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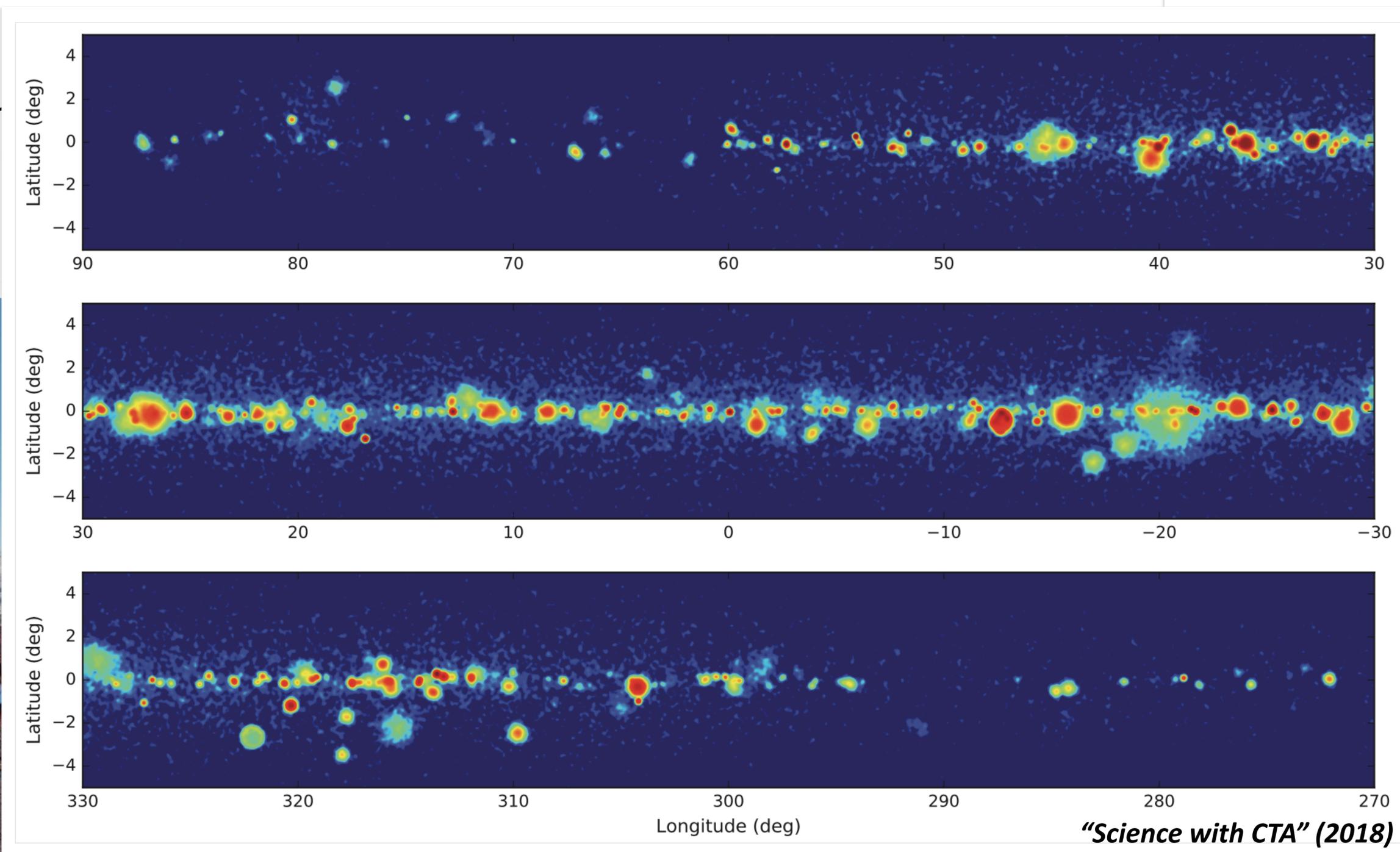
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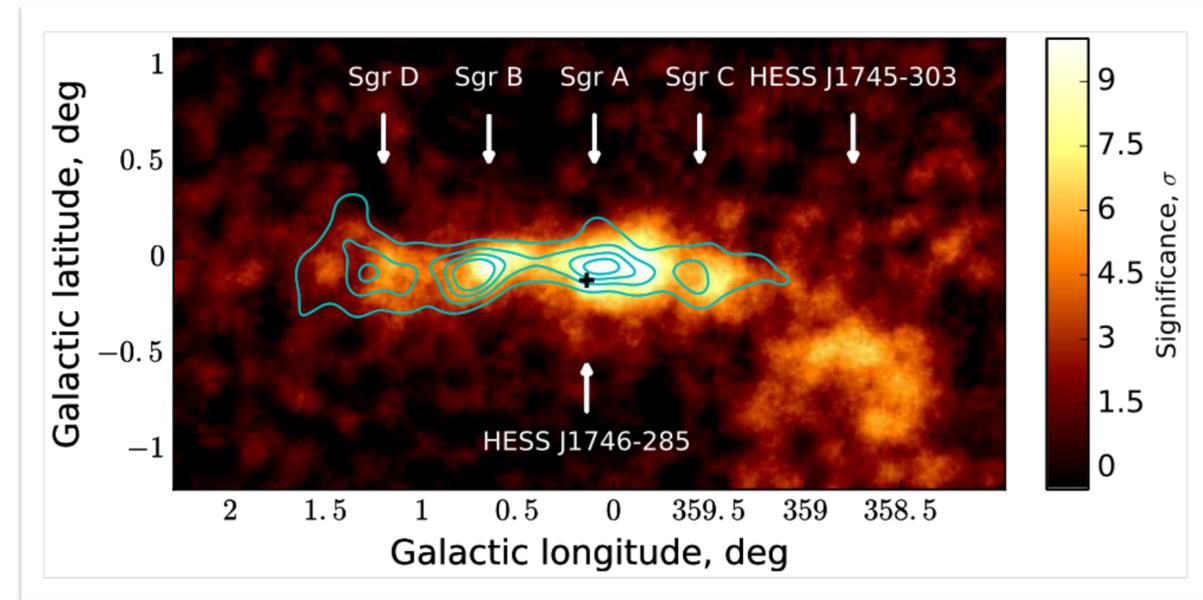
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*"Science with CTA" (2018)*

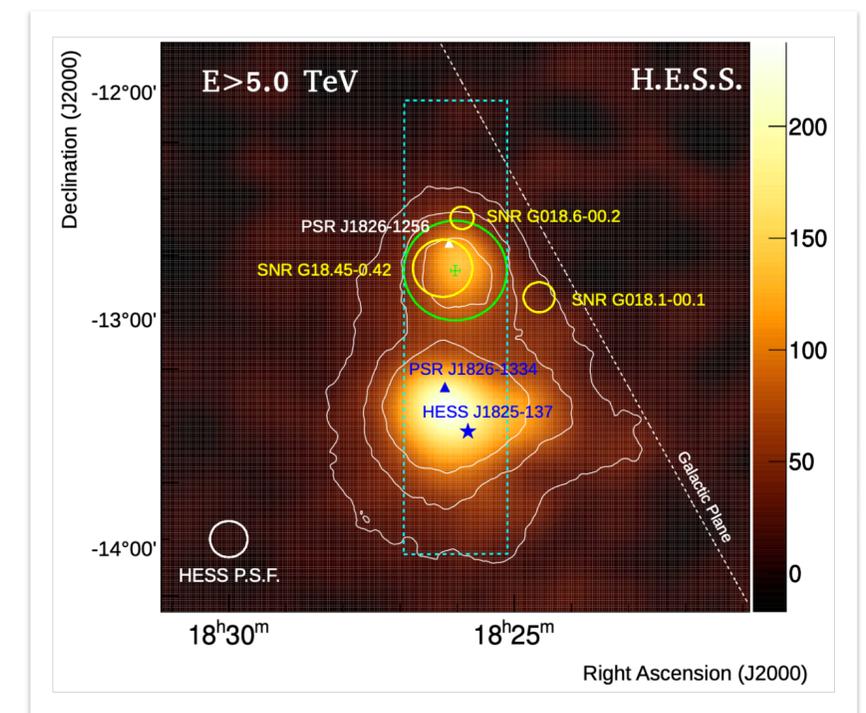
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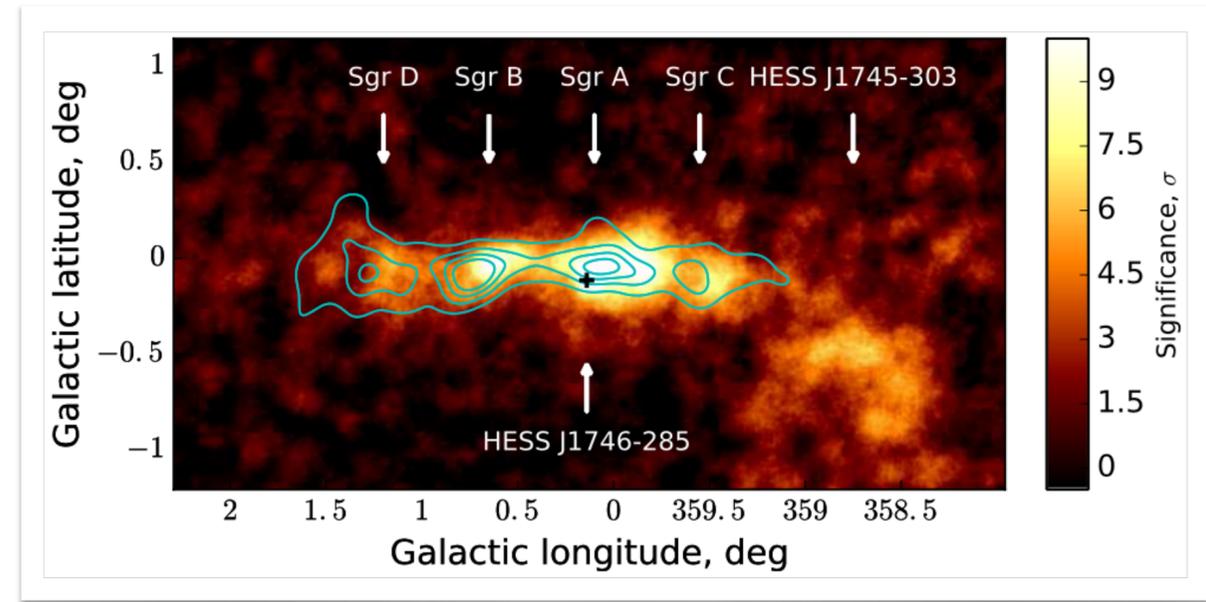
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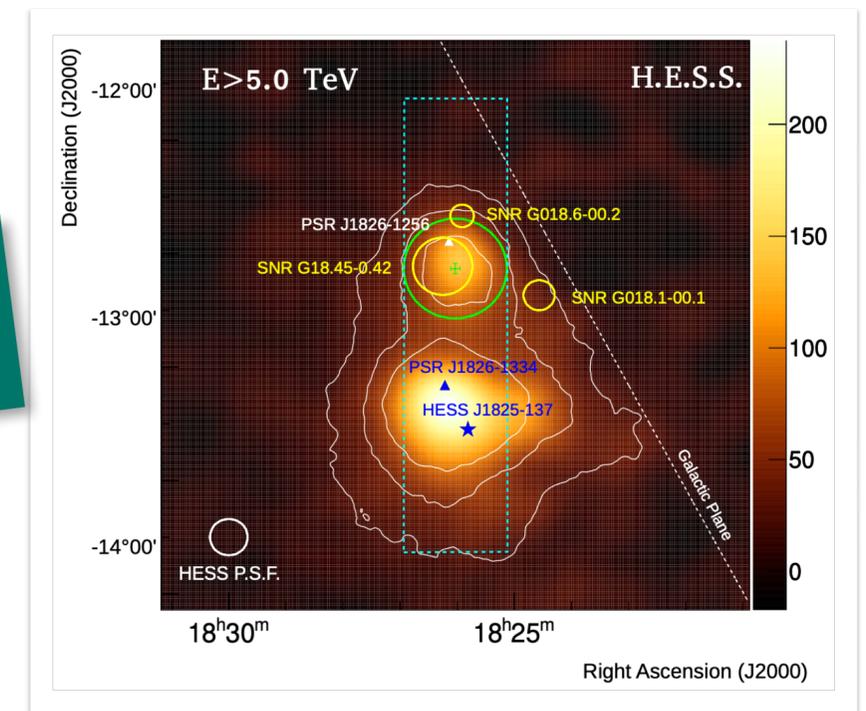
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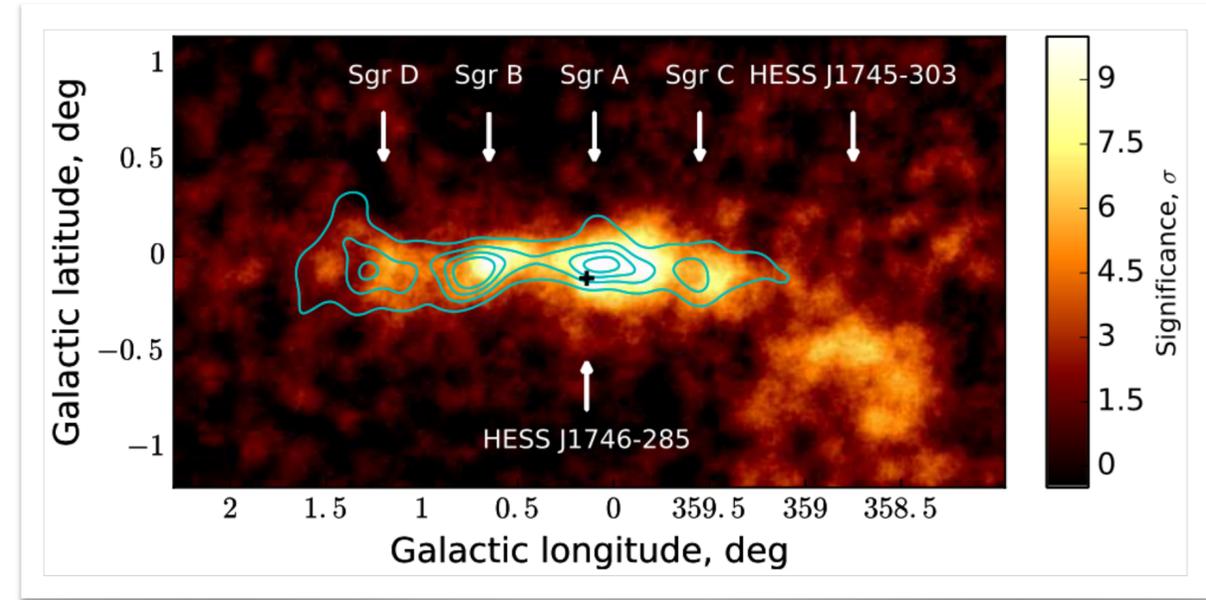


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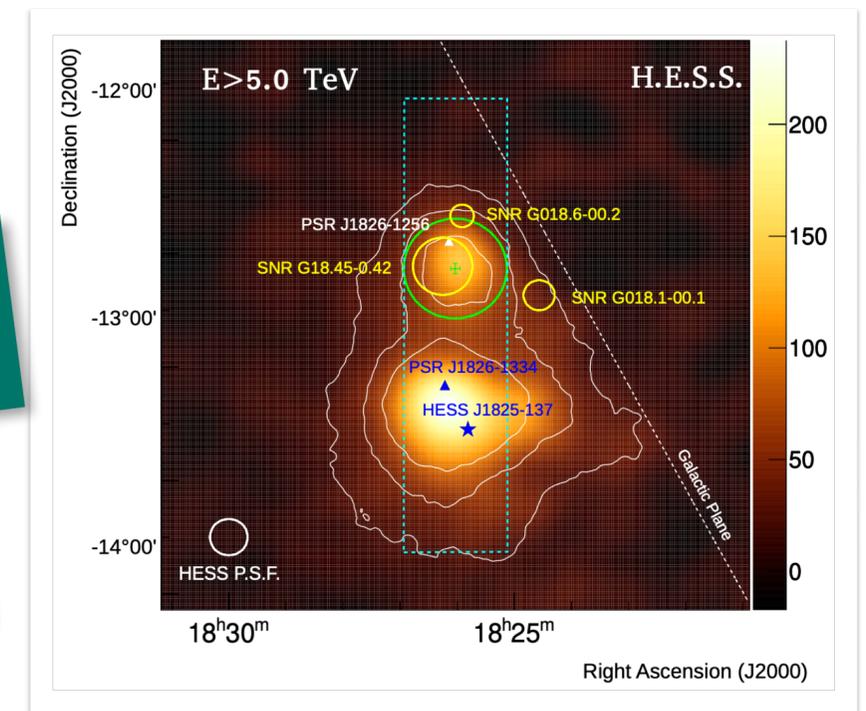


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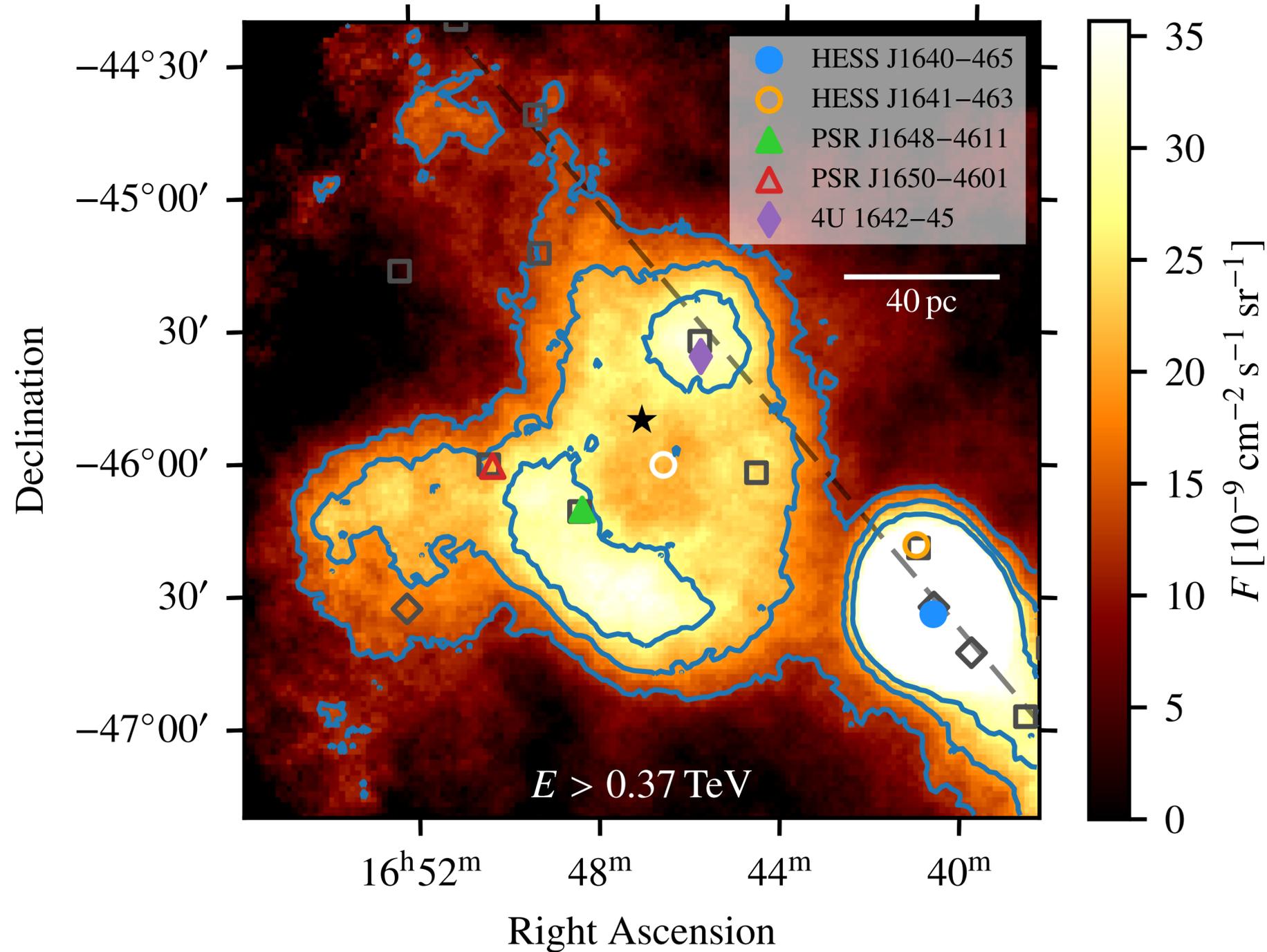
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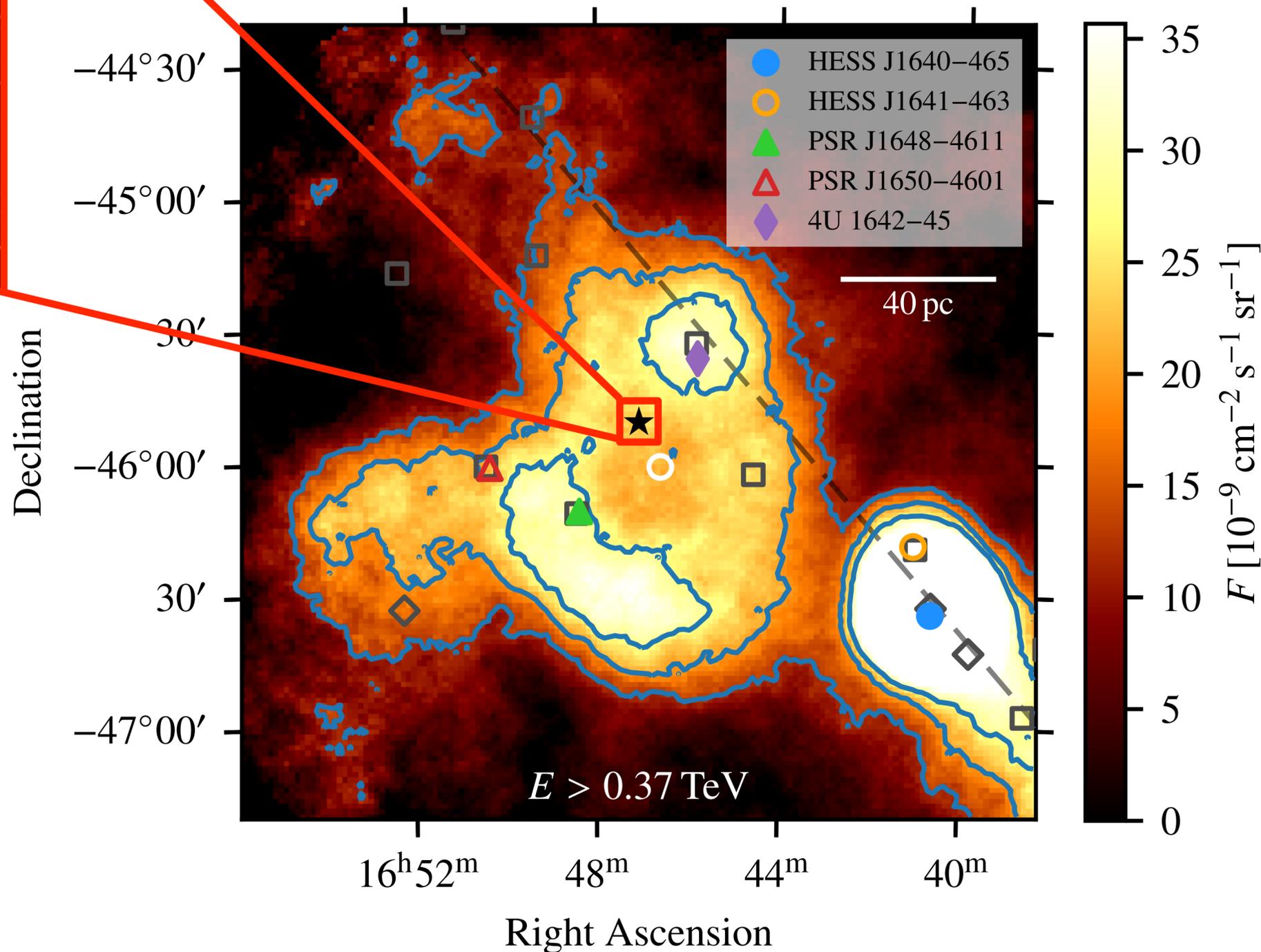


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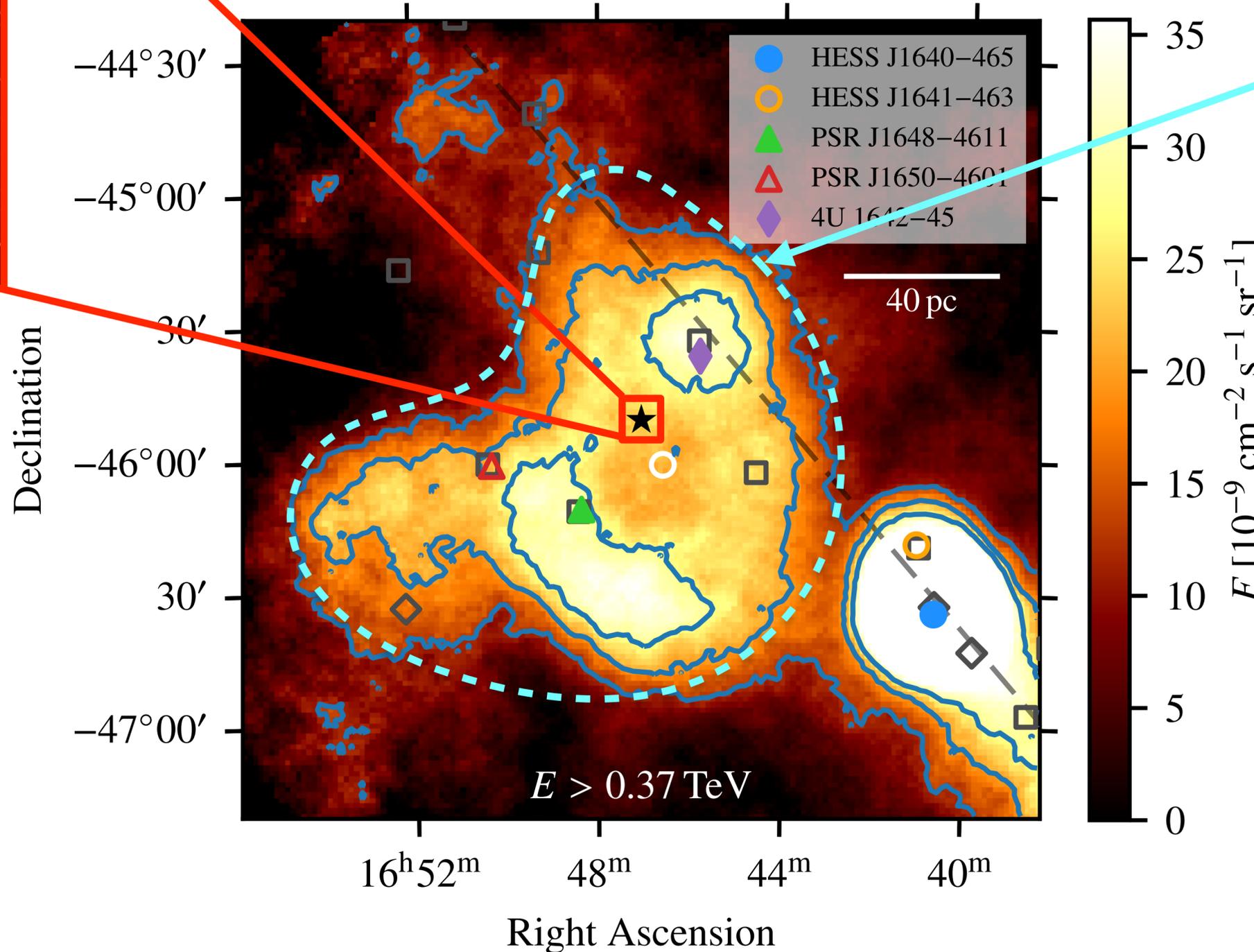


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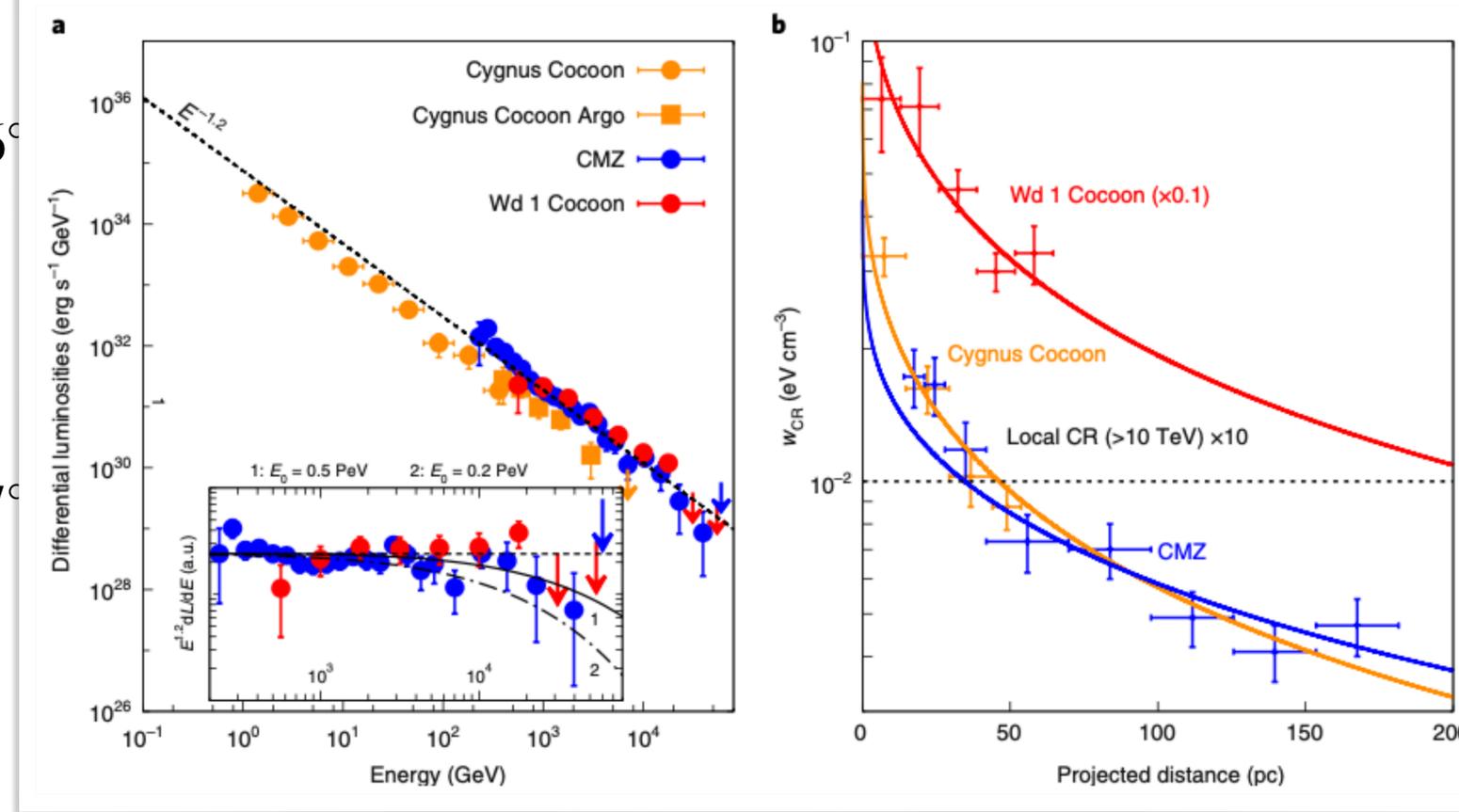
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## Massive stars as major factories of Galactic cosmic rays

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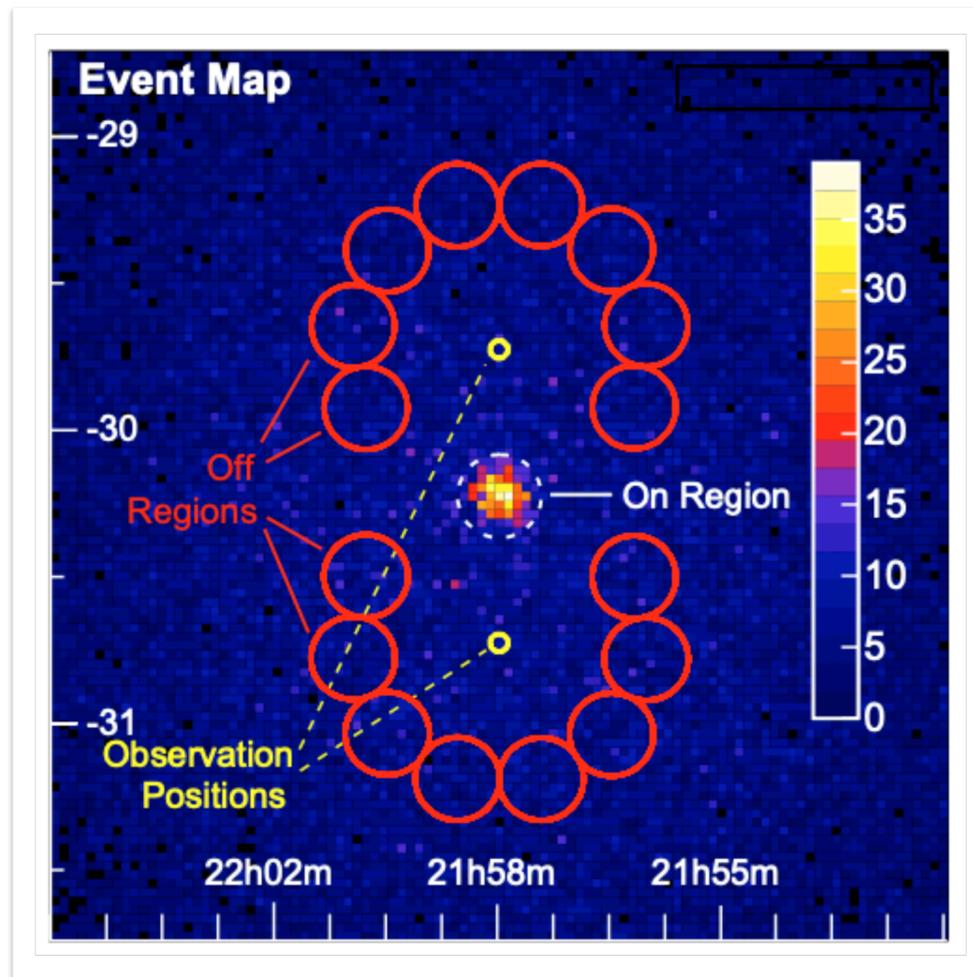
also see talk by G. Morlino on Tuesday!

Aharonian et al.,  
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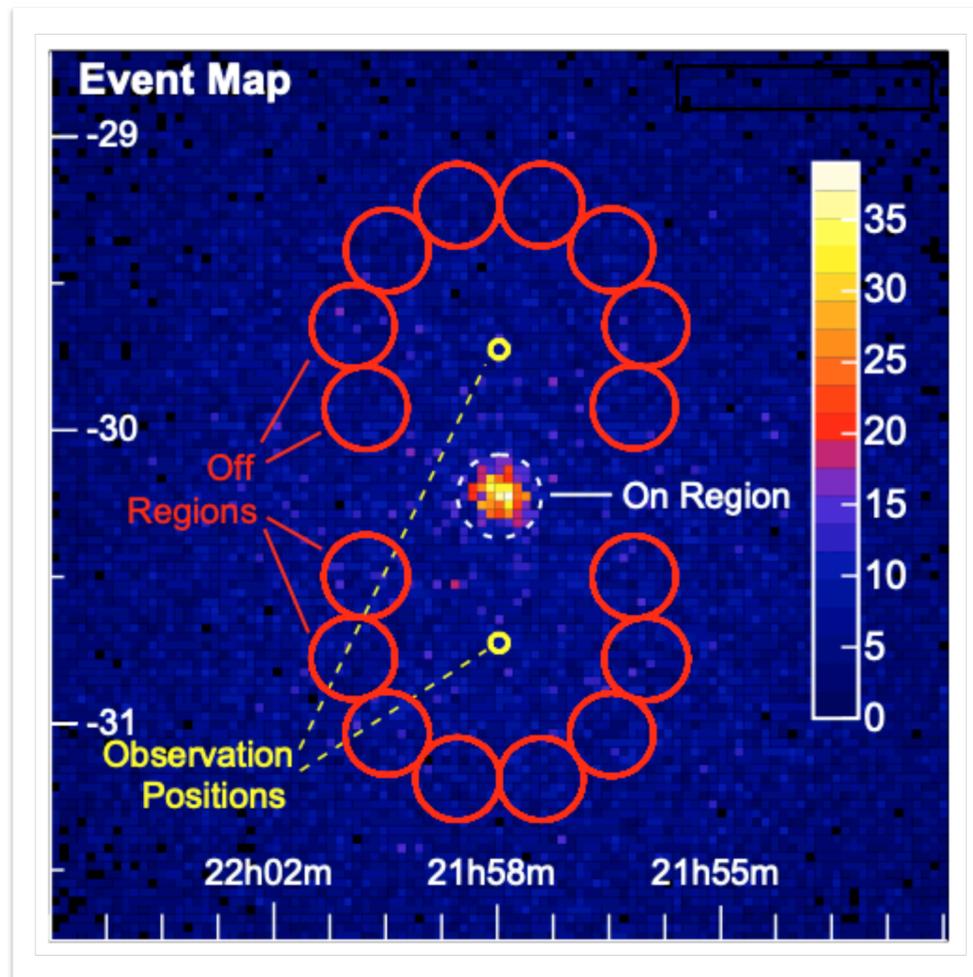


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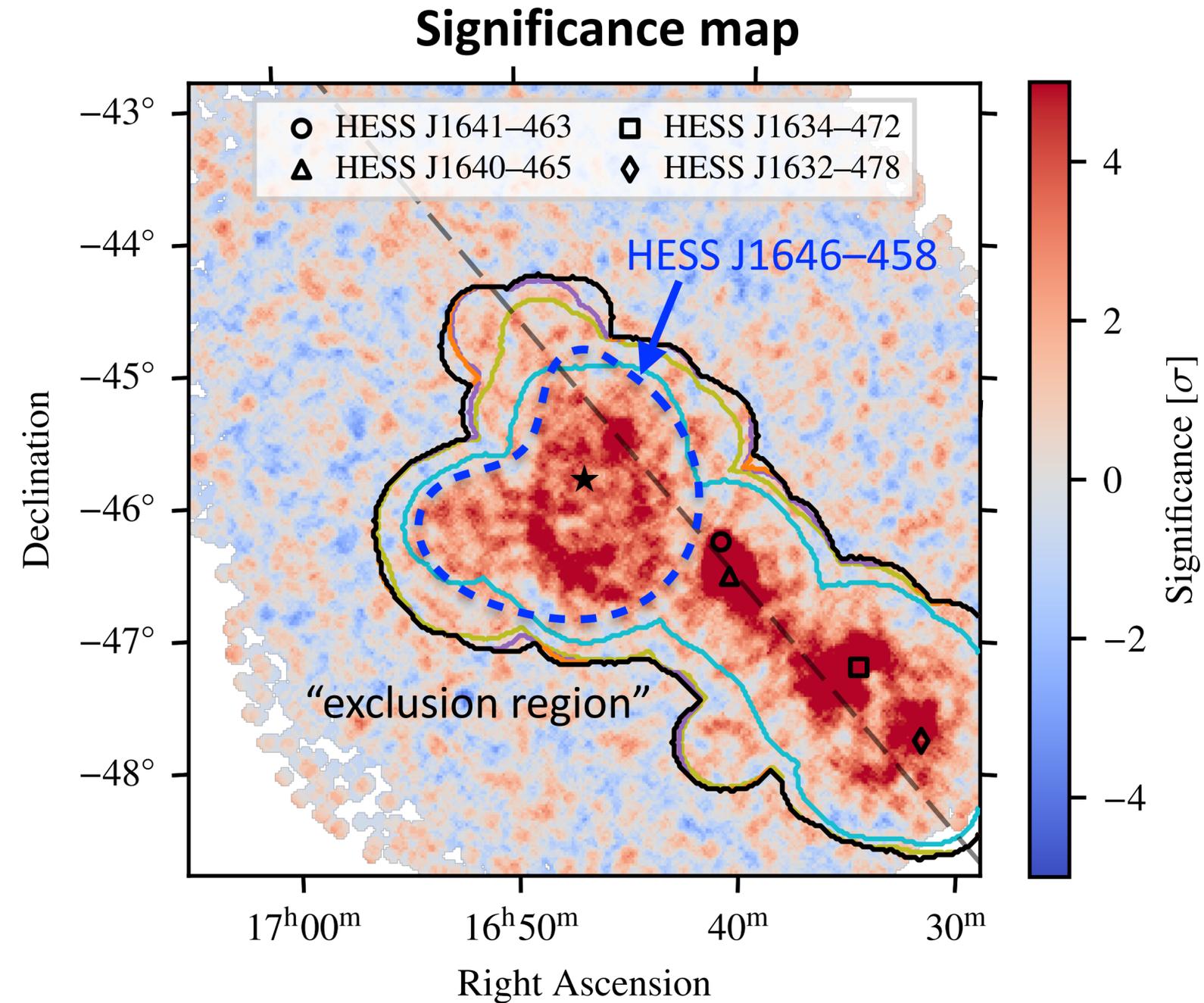
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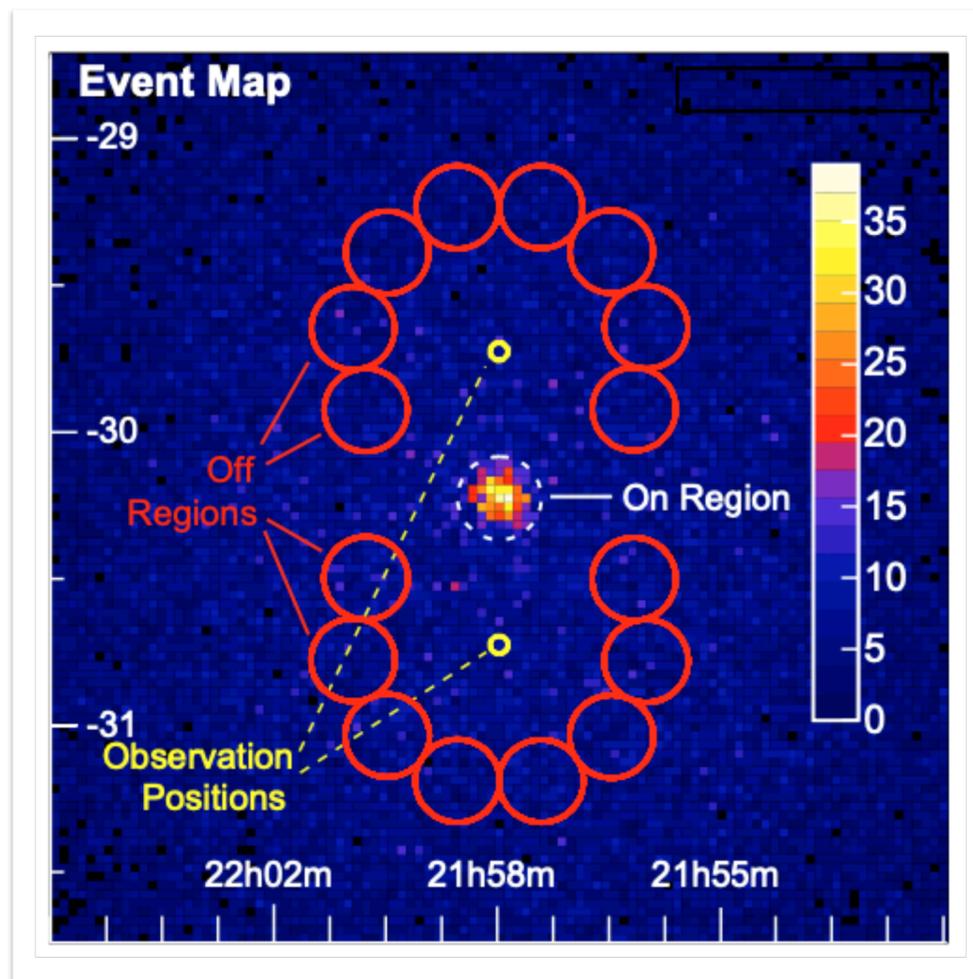
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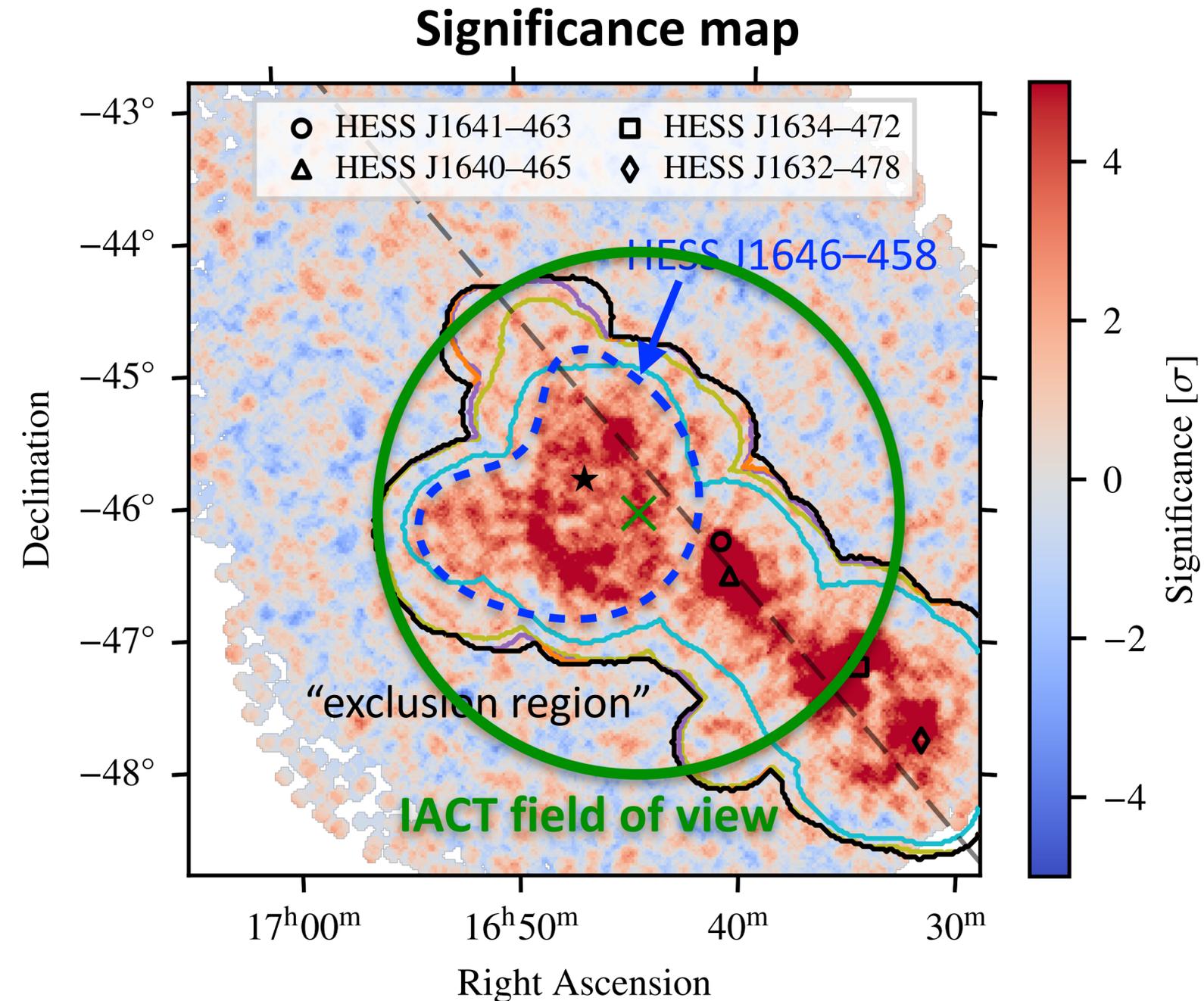
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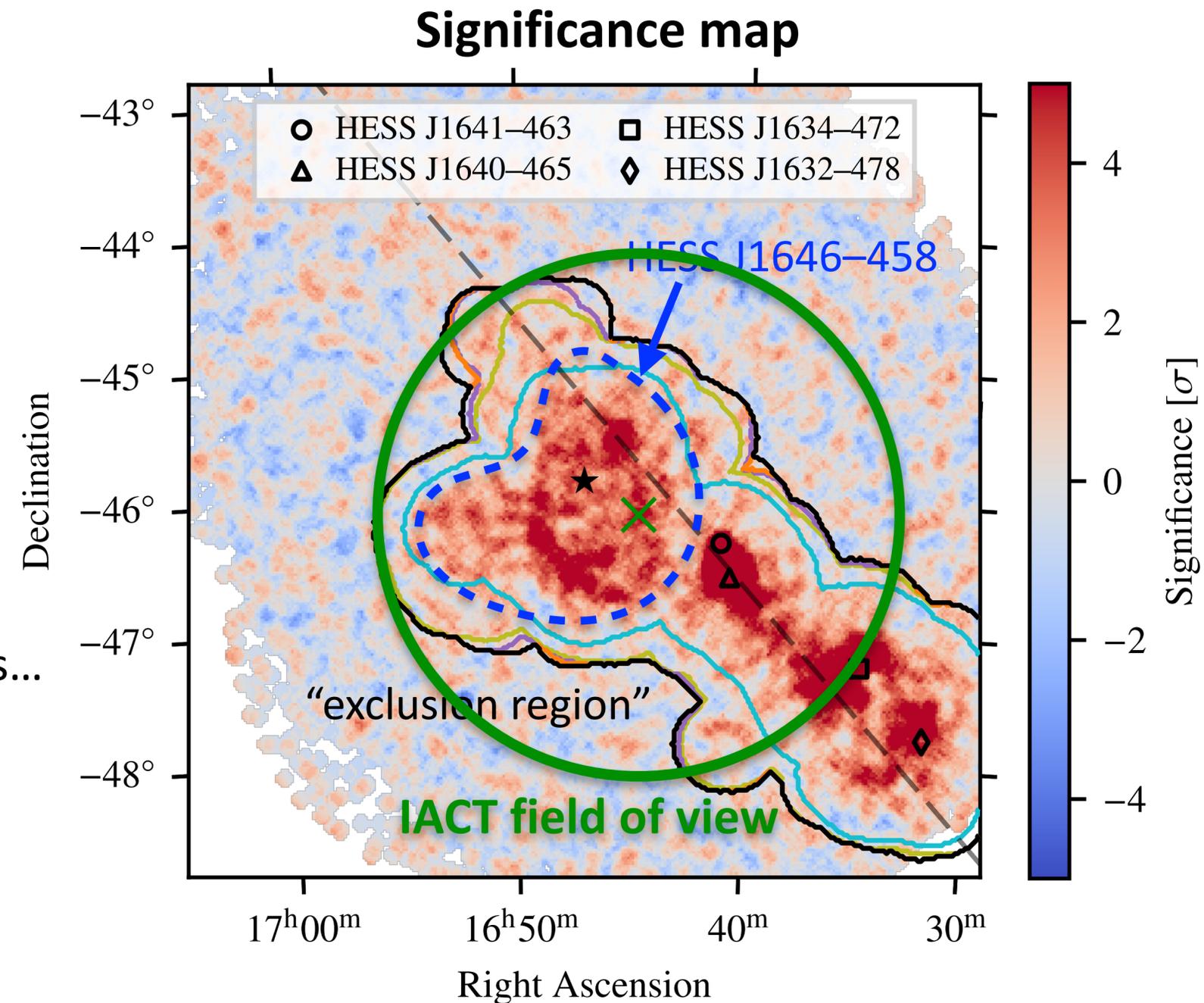
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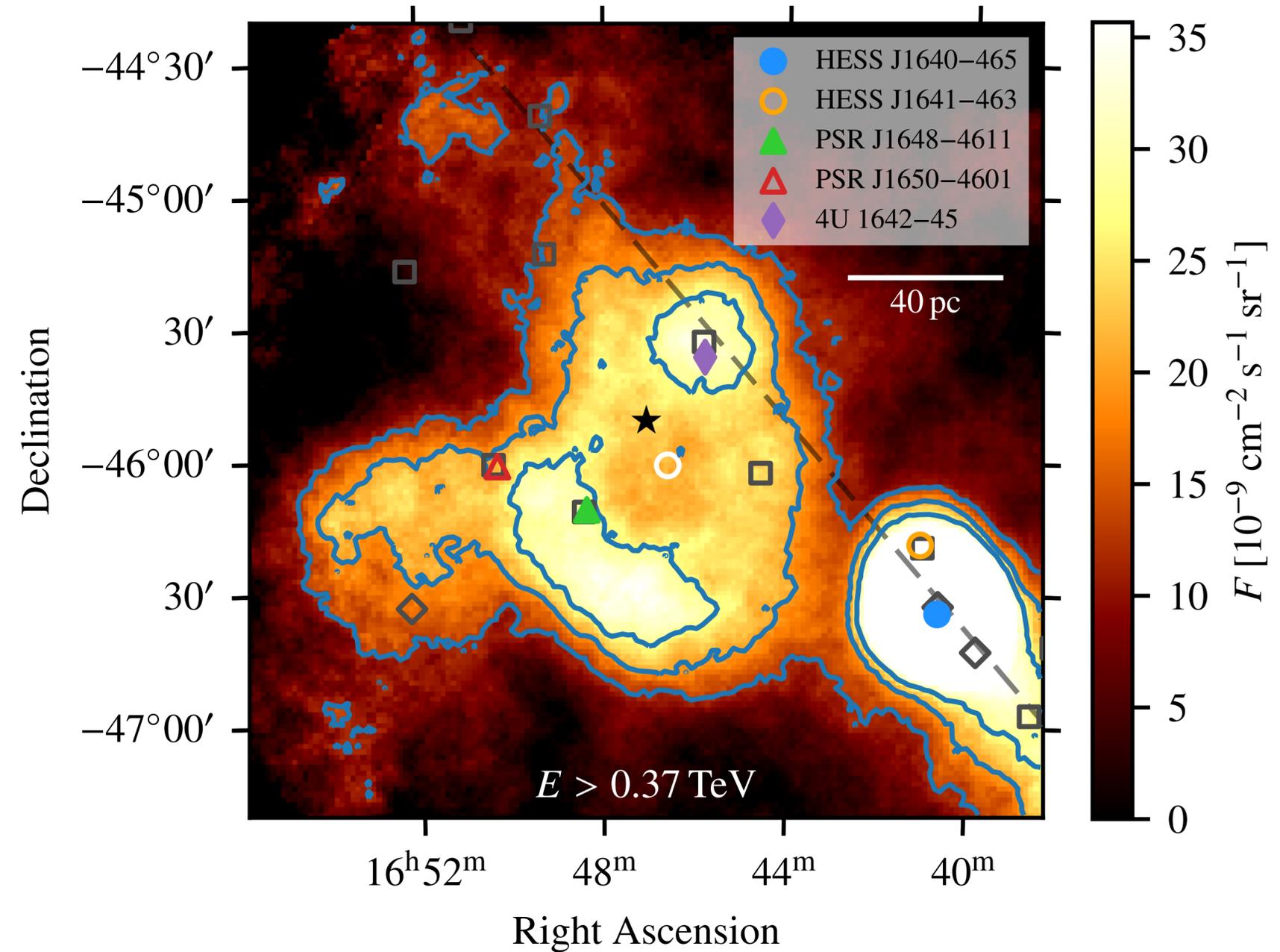
- ▶ derived from archival observations
- ▶ **challenge:** need to match (or correct for) observation conditions
  - zenith angle, optical throughput, atmospheric conditions...
- ▶ very relevant for CTA!
- ▶ Details: *Mohrmann et al., A&A 632, A72 (2019)*



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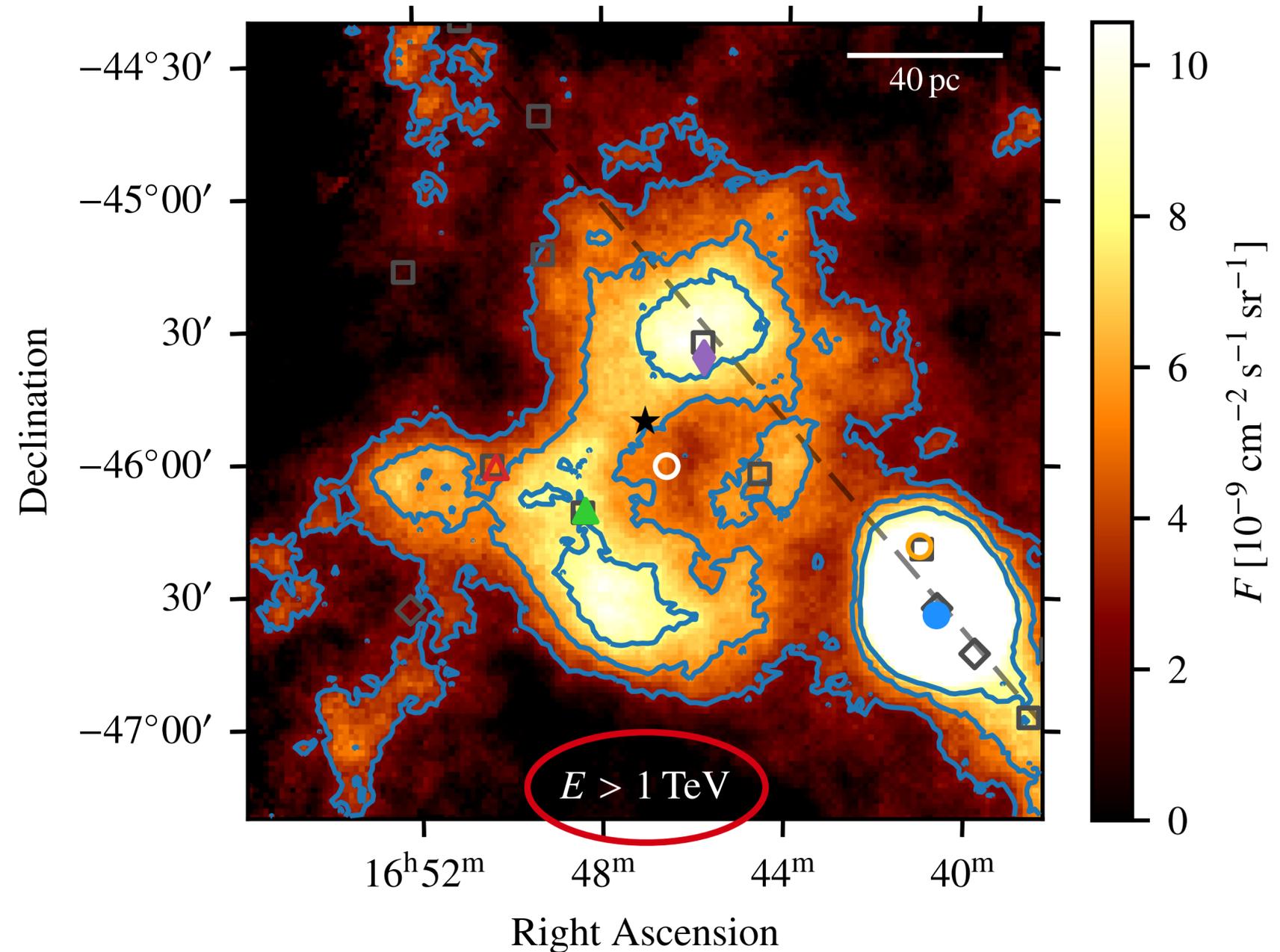
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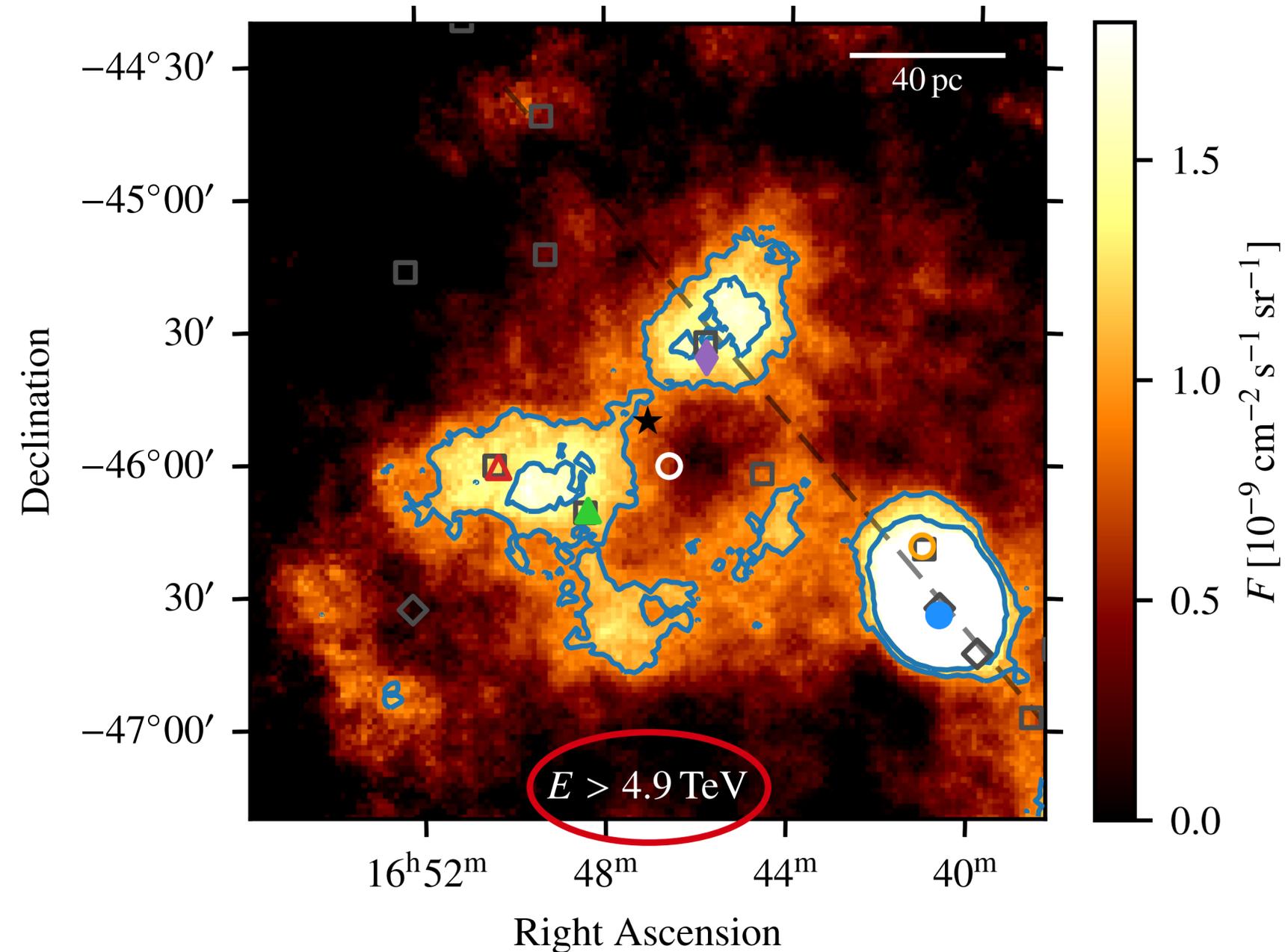
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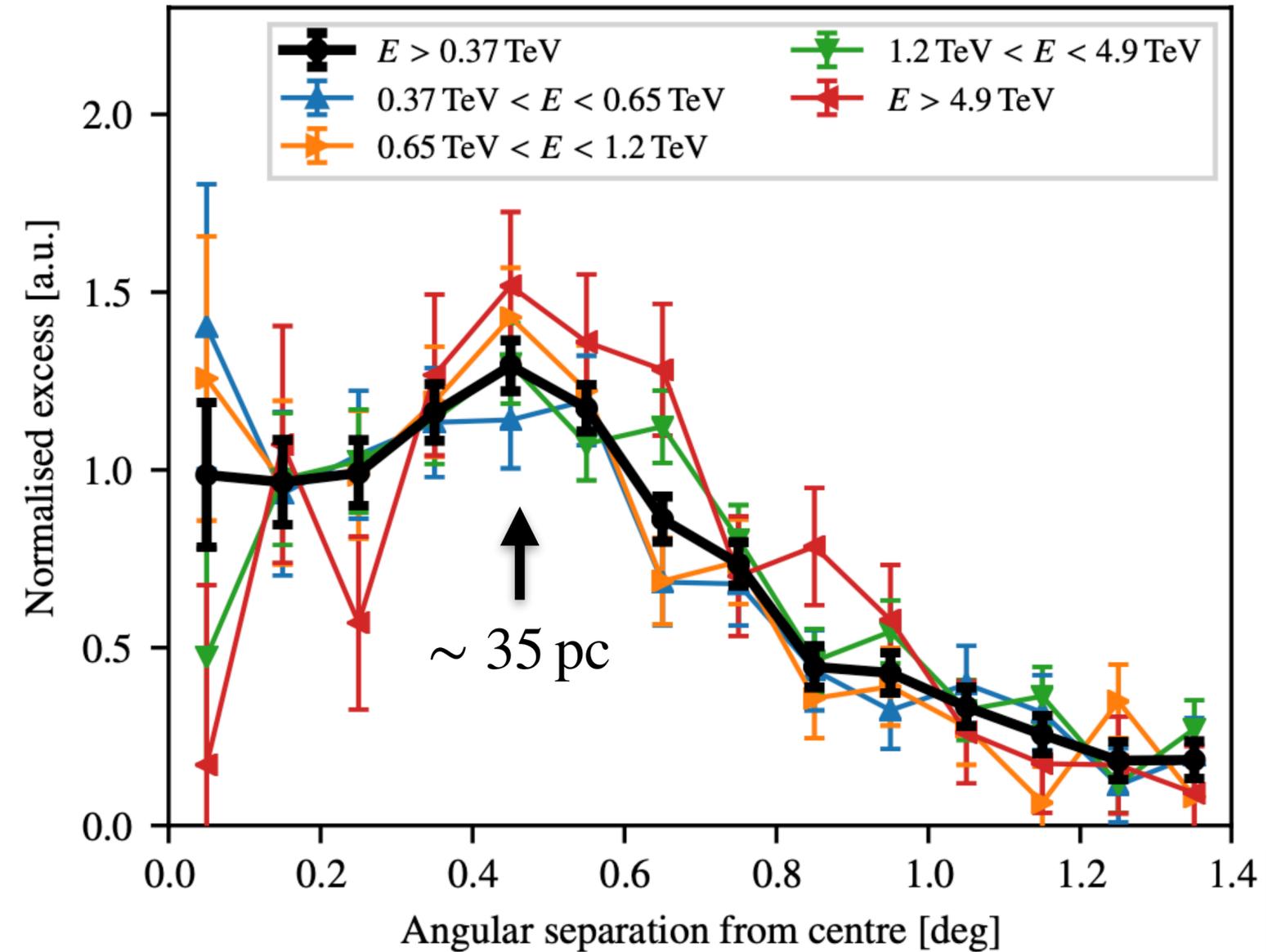
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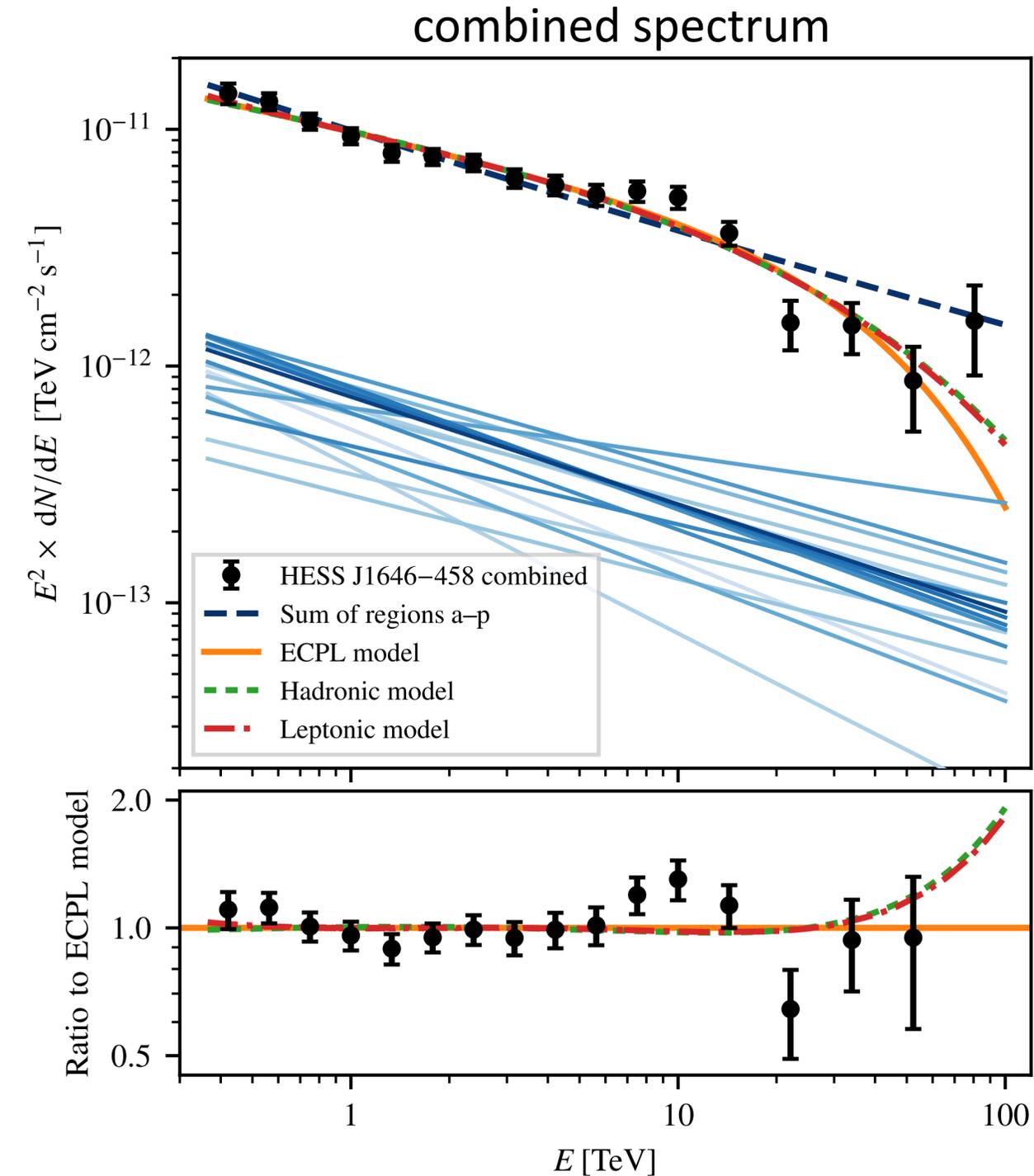
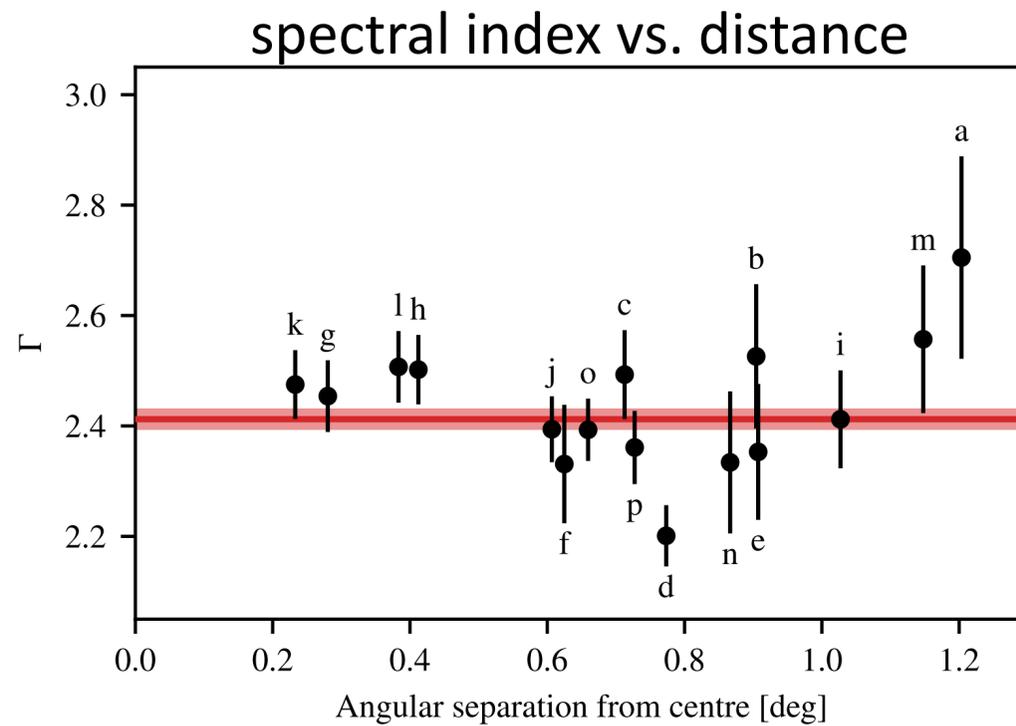
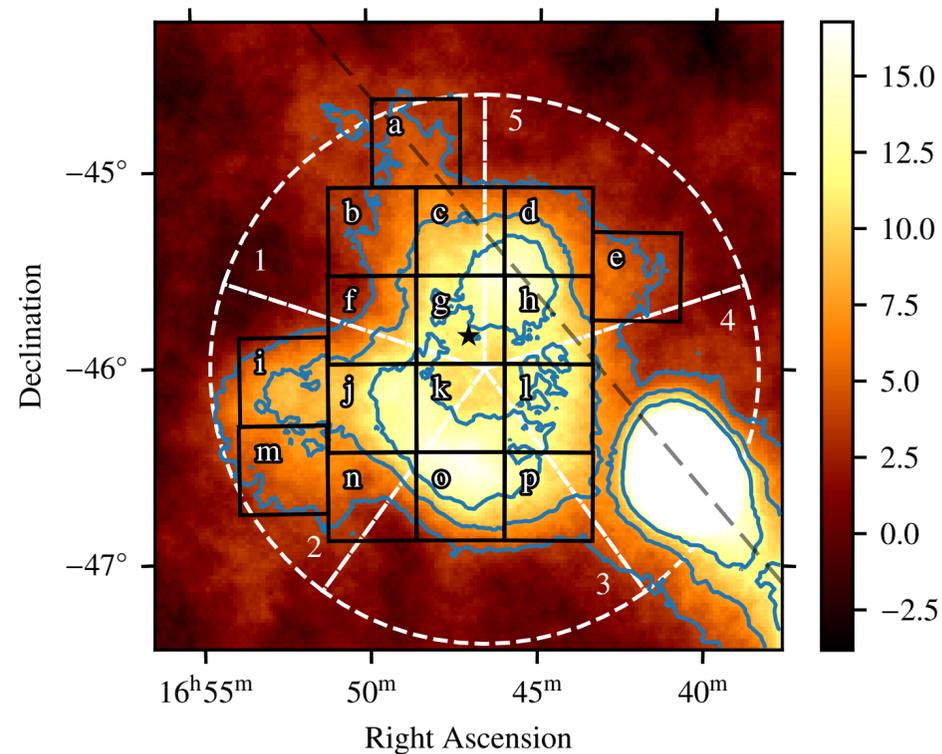
- ▶ profiles for different energy bands well compatible



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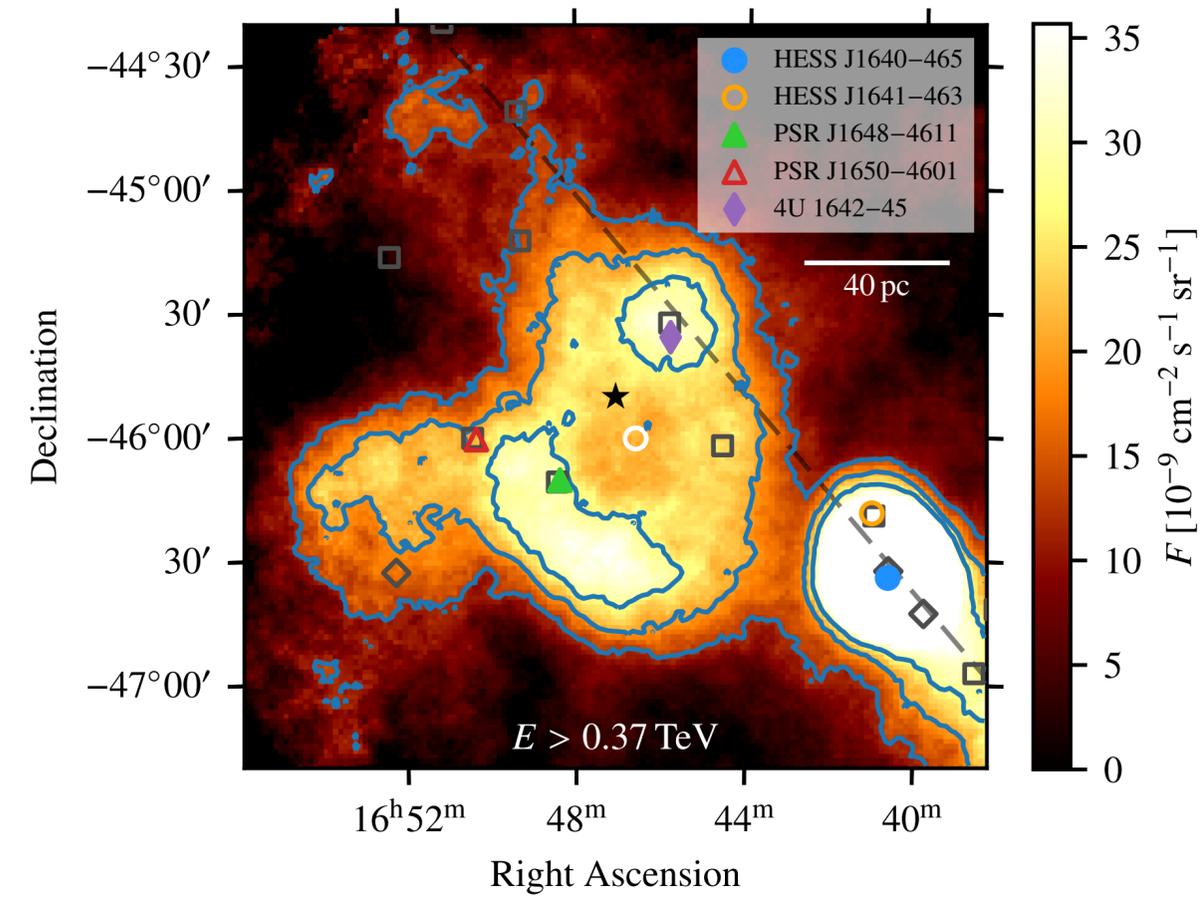
- ▶ extracted in 16 signal regions
- ▶ individual spectra remarkably similar
- ▶ add up region spectra → combined spectrum
- ▶ **extends to several ten TeV!**
- ▶  $\Gamma = 2.30 \pm 0.04$ ,  $E_c = (44_{-11}^{+17})$  TeV



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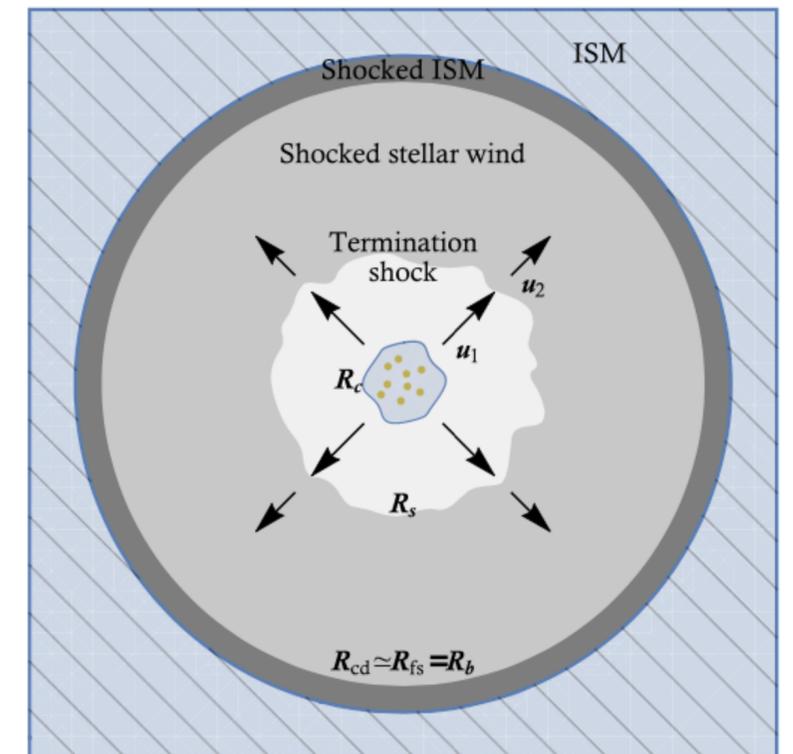
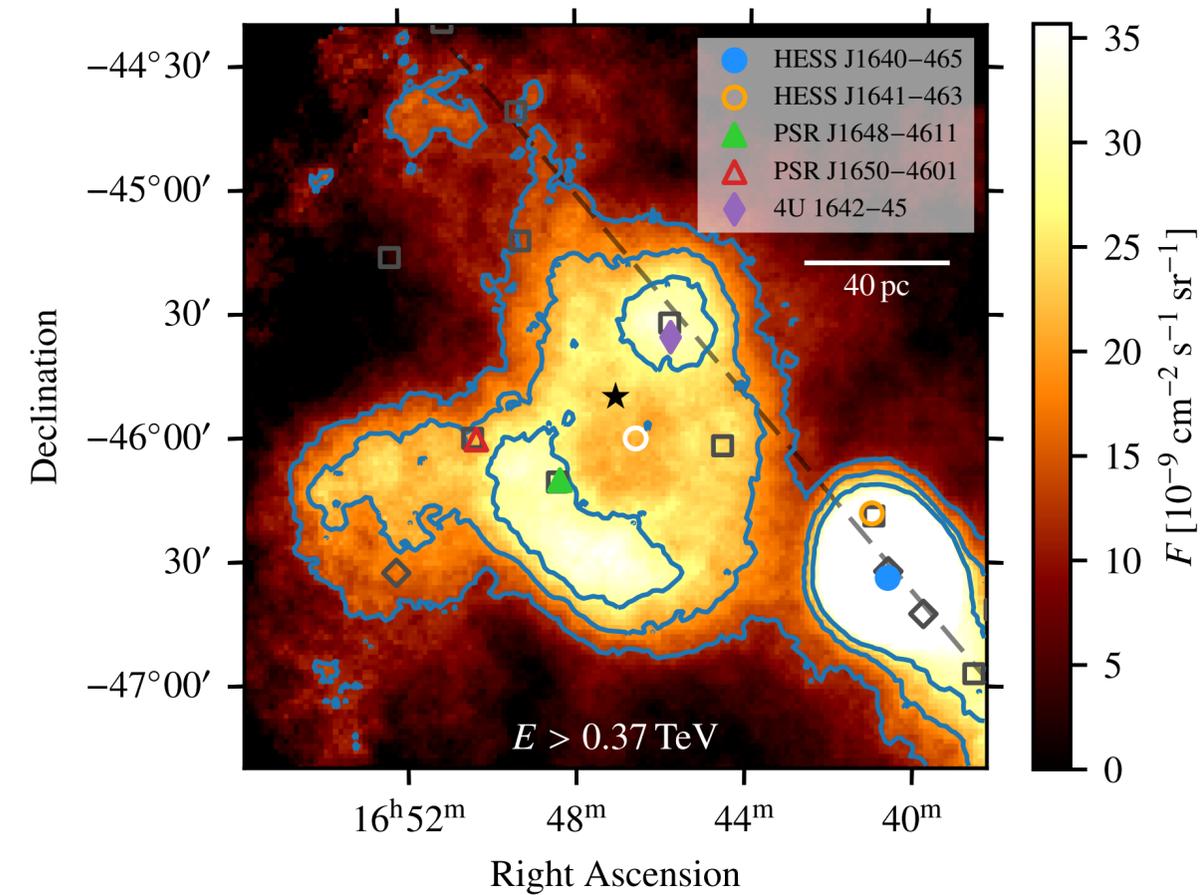
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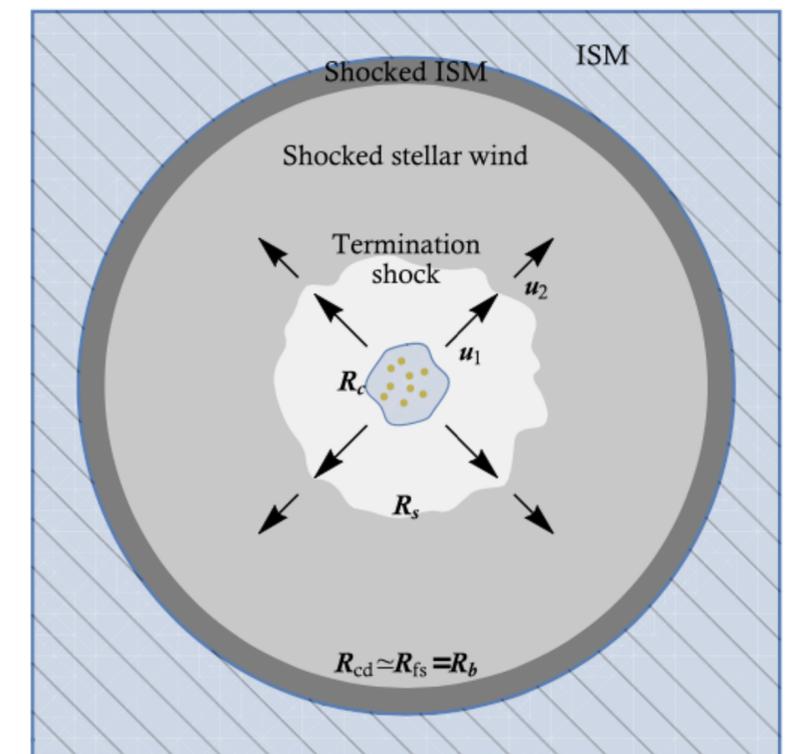
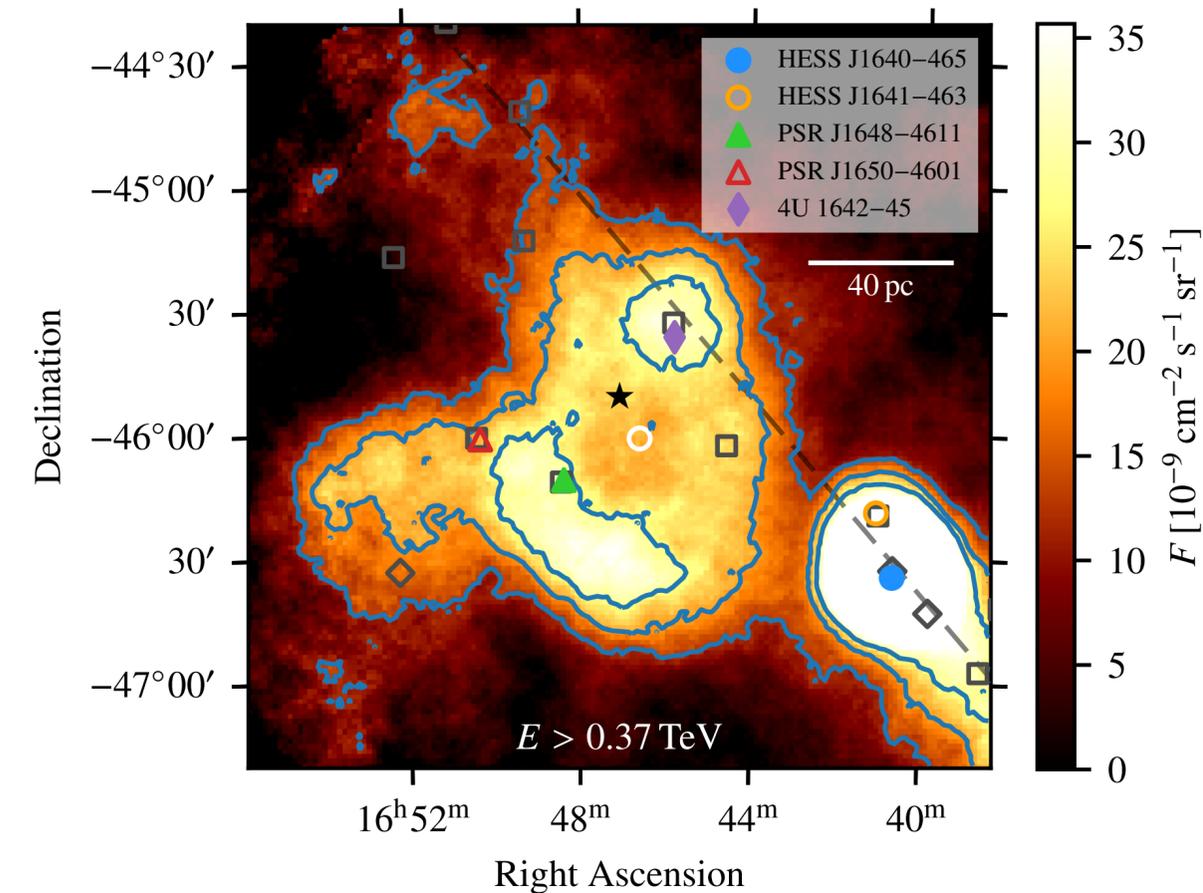
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- ▶ matches radius of shell-like structure in  $\gamma$ -ray emission!
- ▶ however, **cannot firmly claim this association**
- ▶ hadronic & leptonic scenario could work



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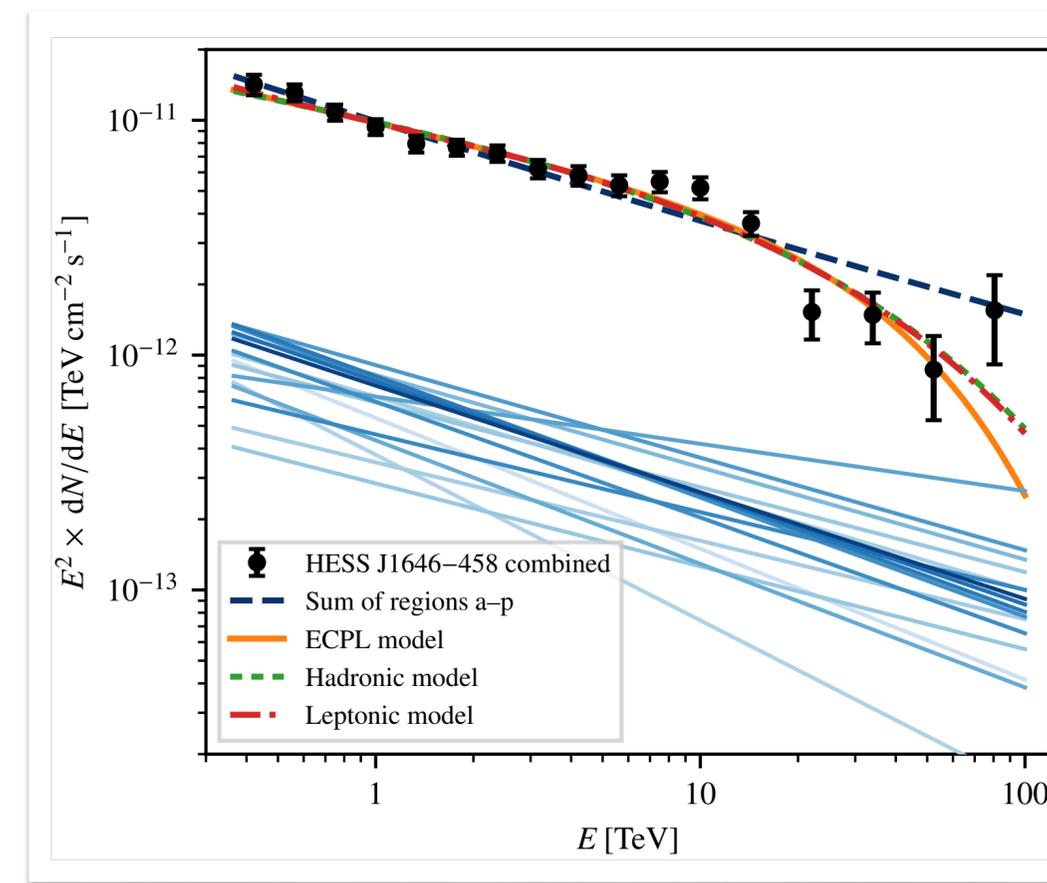
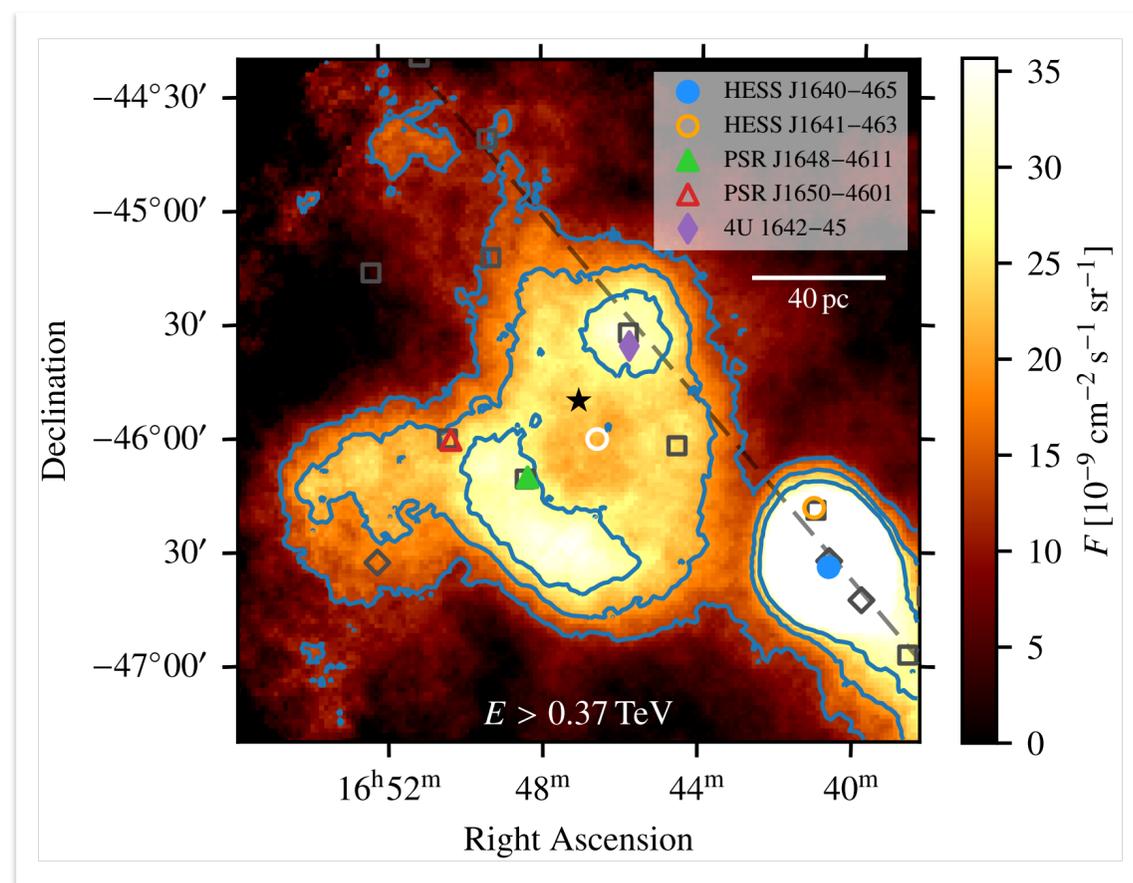
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- ▶ no variation with energy
- ▶ energy spectrum to several ten TeV

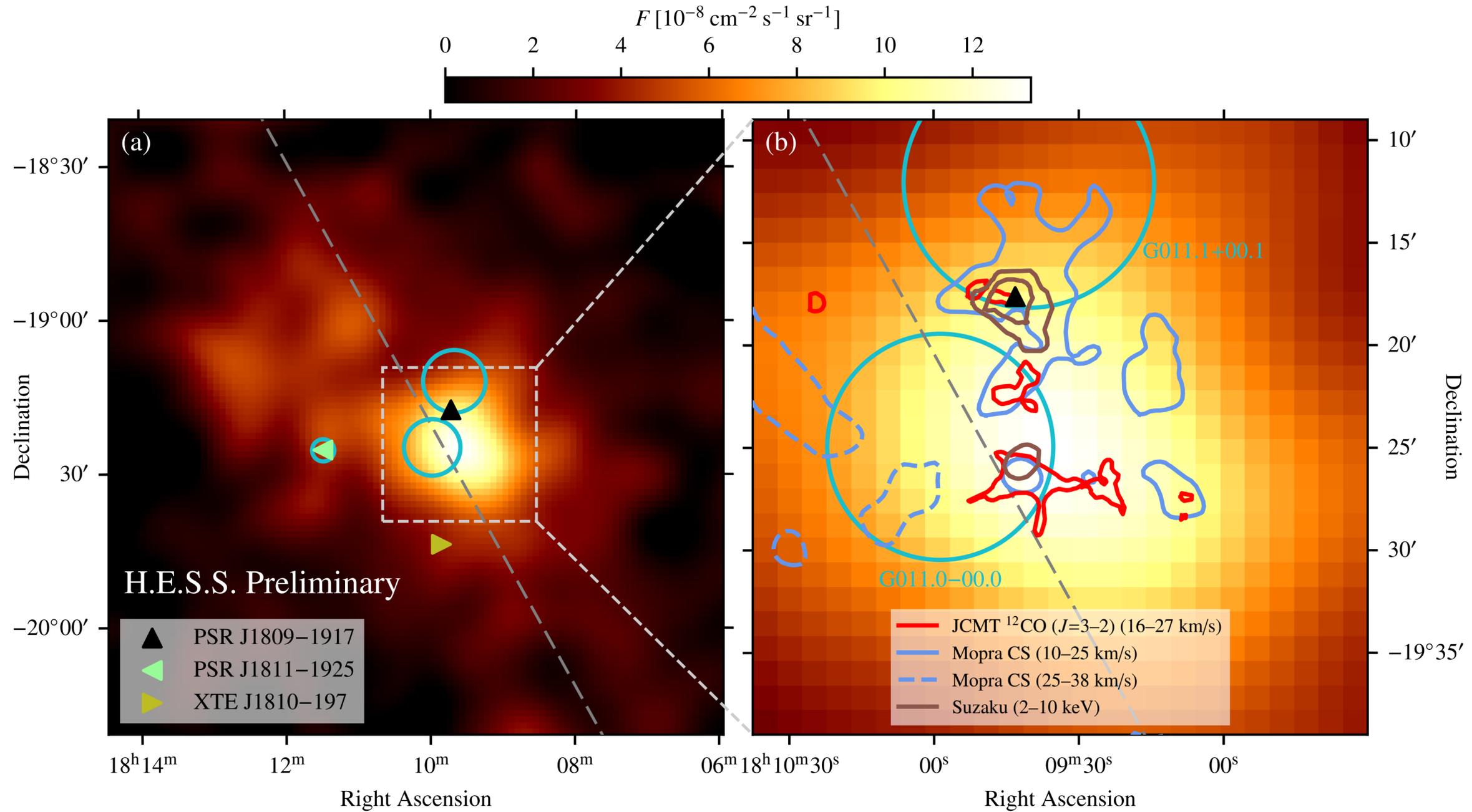
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- ▶ a powerful cosmic-ray accelerator!
- ▶ acceleration site/mechanism not firmly identified
- ▶ intriguing connection to cluster wind termination shock?



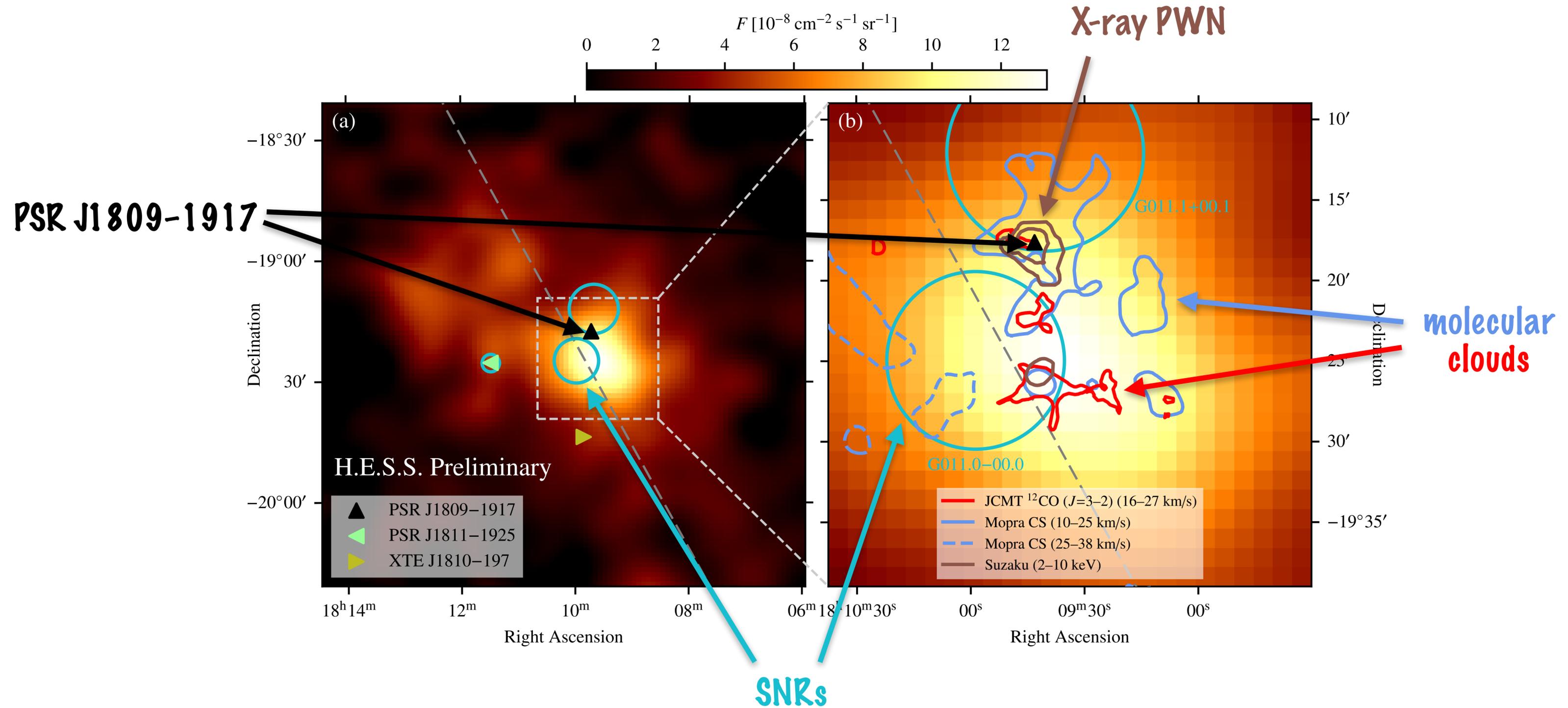
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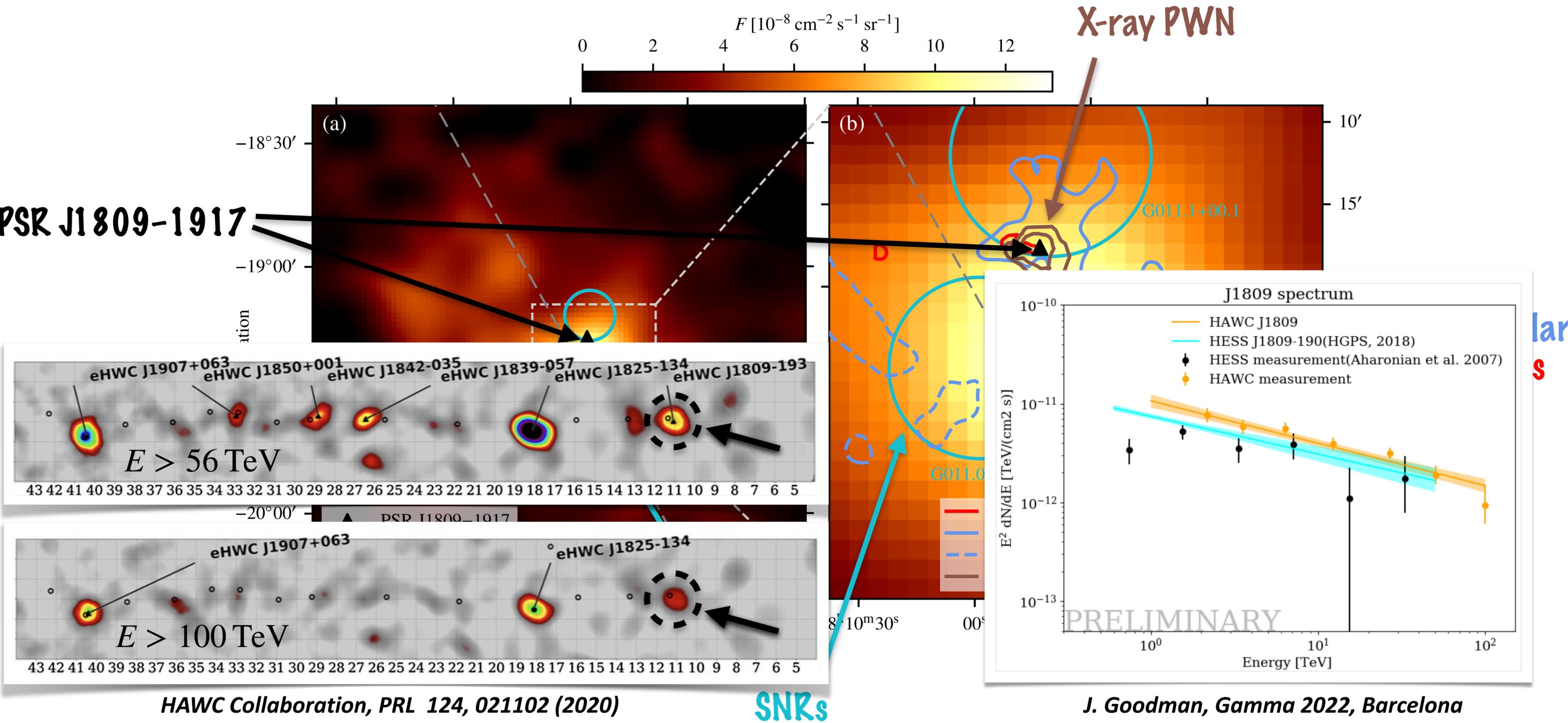
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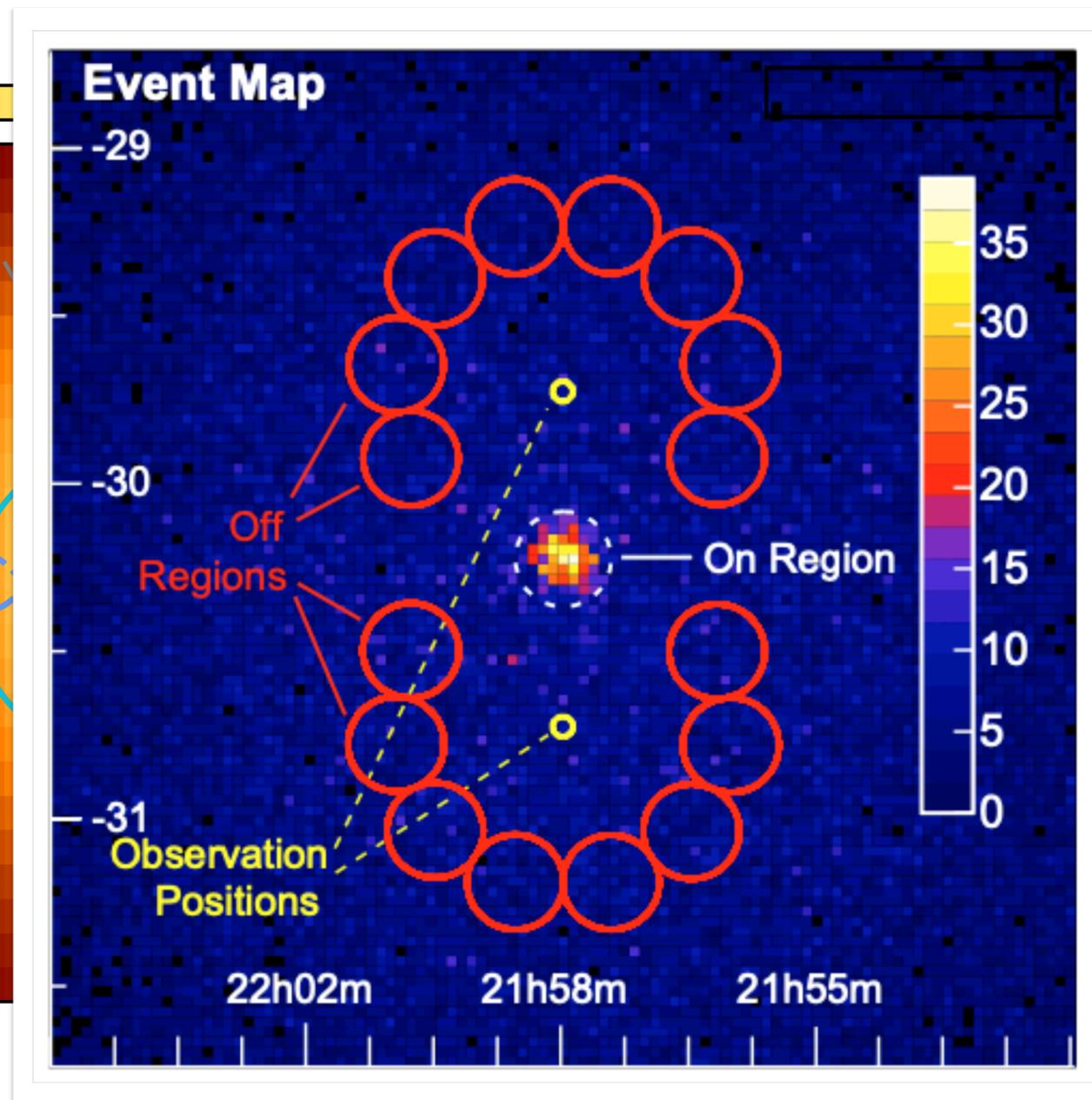
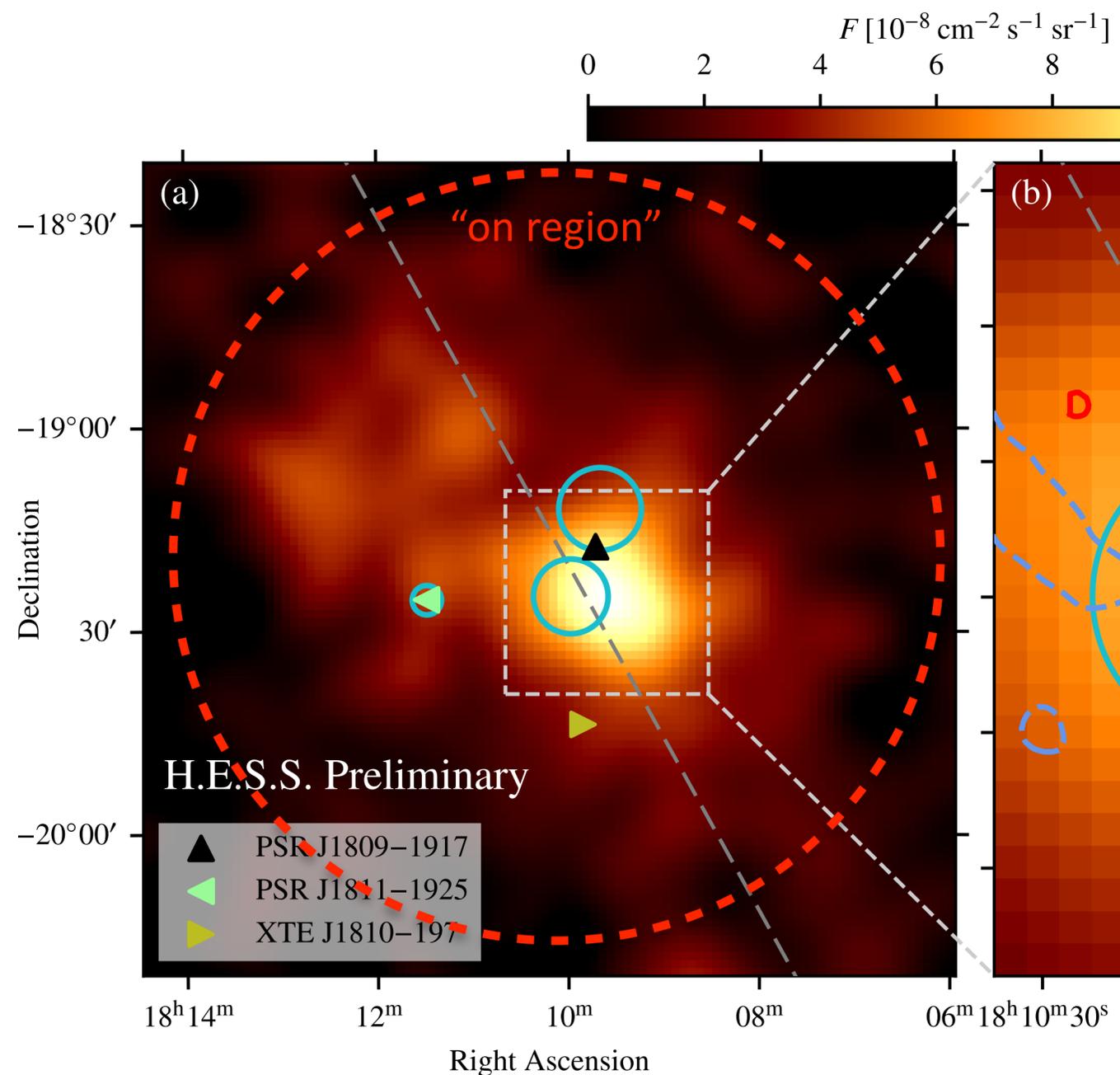
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# HESS J1809-193

## “Classical” approach: aperture photometry

- count events in (circular) “on region”
- estimate background from “off regions”



Berge et al., A&A 466, 1219 (2007)

## Issues:

- “on region” very large
- source structure not taken into account

# Excursion: spectro-morphological likelihood analysis

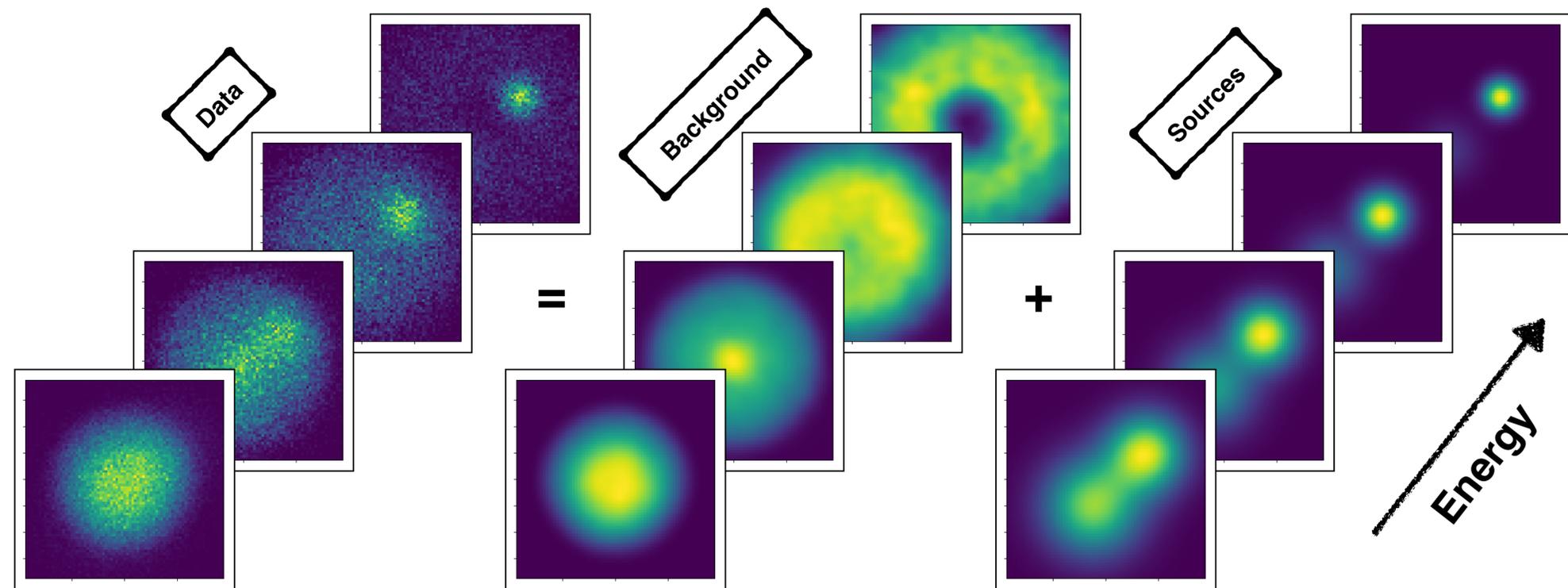
- Model *spectrum & morphology* of source(s) simultaneously

- ▶ likelihood fit in 3 dimensions
- ▶ “Fermi-LAT style”

- Requires *model* for residual cosmic-ray *background*

- Can include *arbitrary number* of *model components*

- ▶ e.g. also for diffuse emission



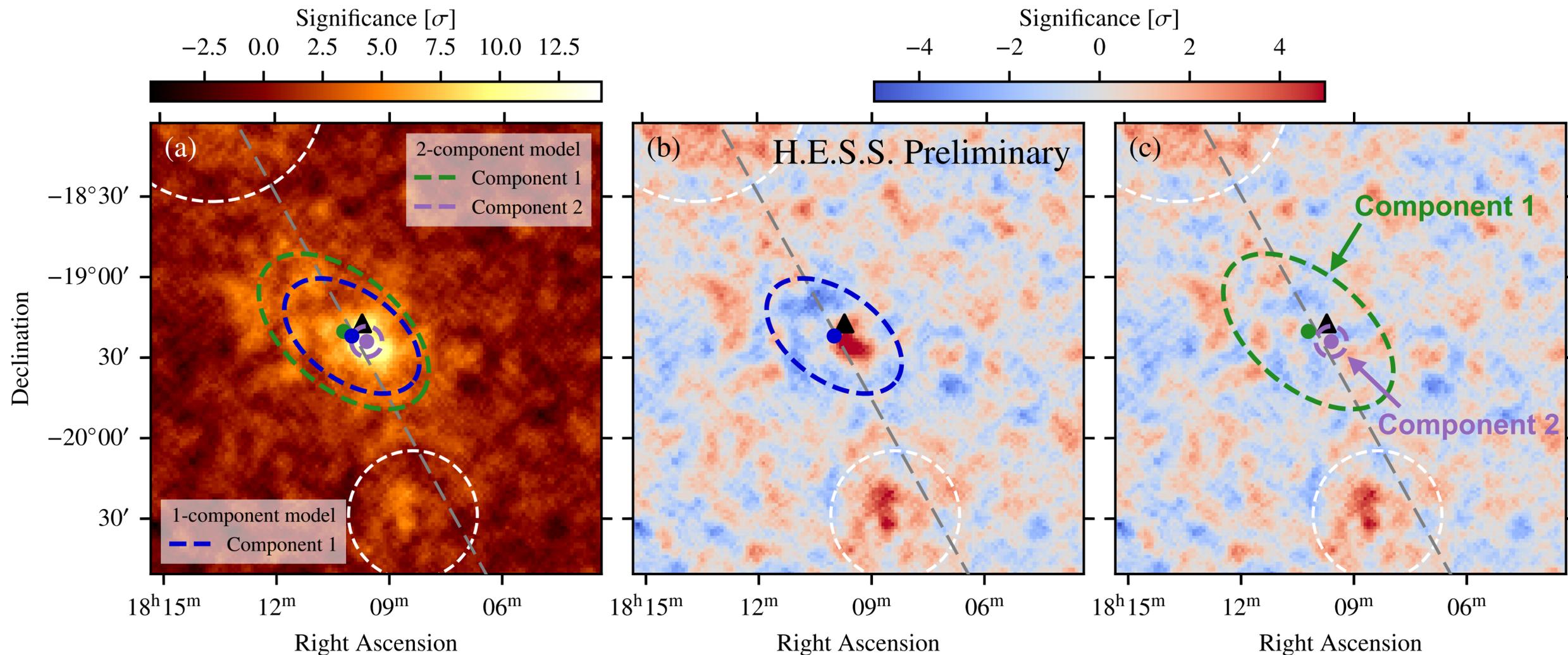
# 3D likelihood analysis: spatial models

- 1-component model

- ▶ spatial model: elongated Gaussian
- ▶ spectral model: power law
- ▶ not a good fit!

- 2-component model**

- ▶ add 2<sup>nd</sup> component (radial Gaussian / power law)
- ▶ much better description! (preferred by  $13.3\sigma$ )



# 3D likelihood analysis: spectral models

## Component 1

### ▶ power law *with exp. cut-off*

- $\Gamma = 1.90 \pm 0.05_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.05_{\text{sys}}$

- $E_c = \left( 12.7^{+2.7}_{-2.1} \Big|_{\text{stat}} \Big|_{\text{sys}}^{+2.6}_{-1.9} \right) \text{ TeV}$

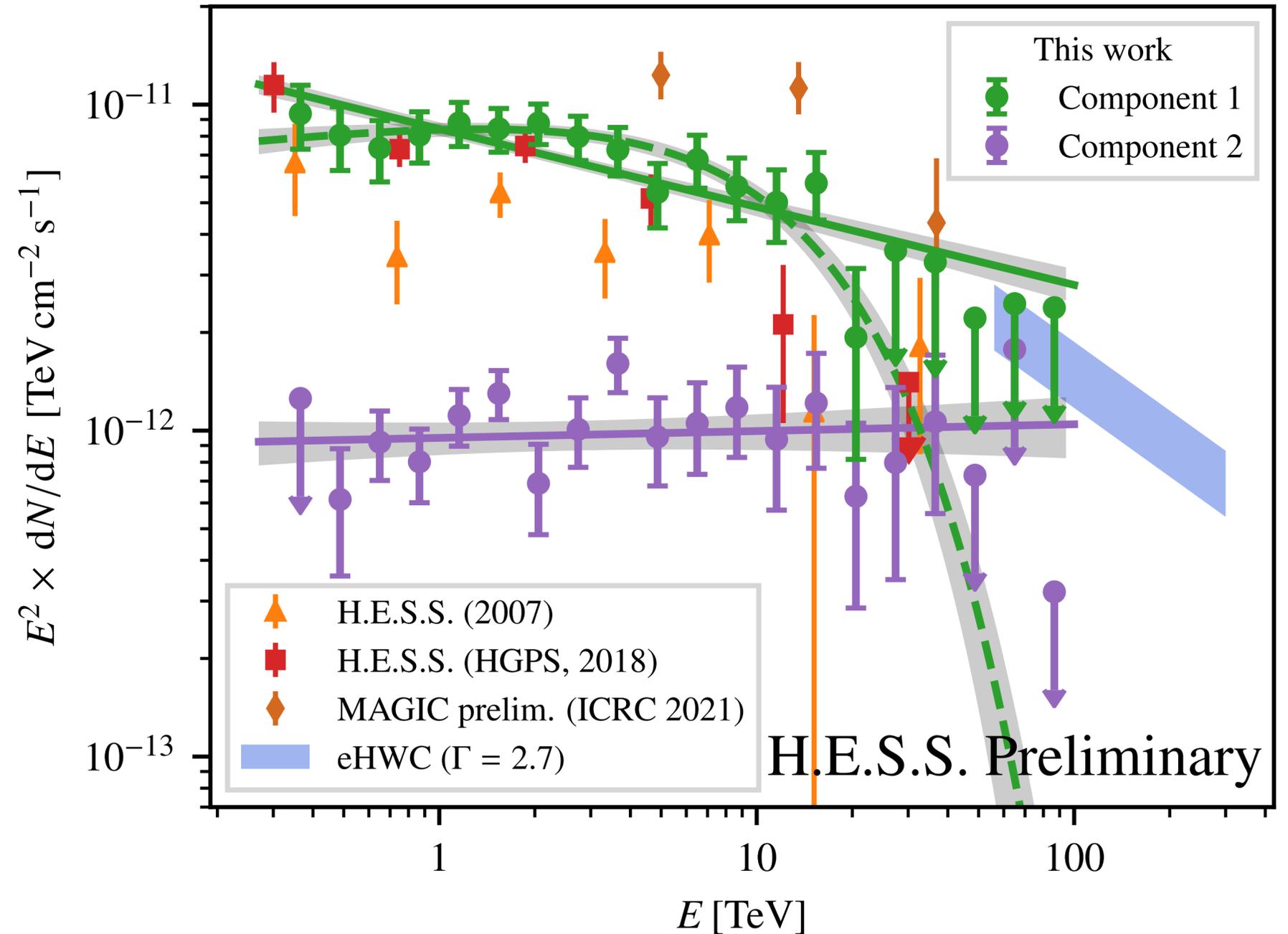
- preferred over power law by  $8\sigma$

## Component 2

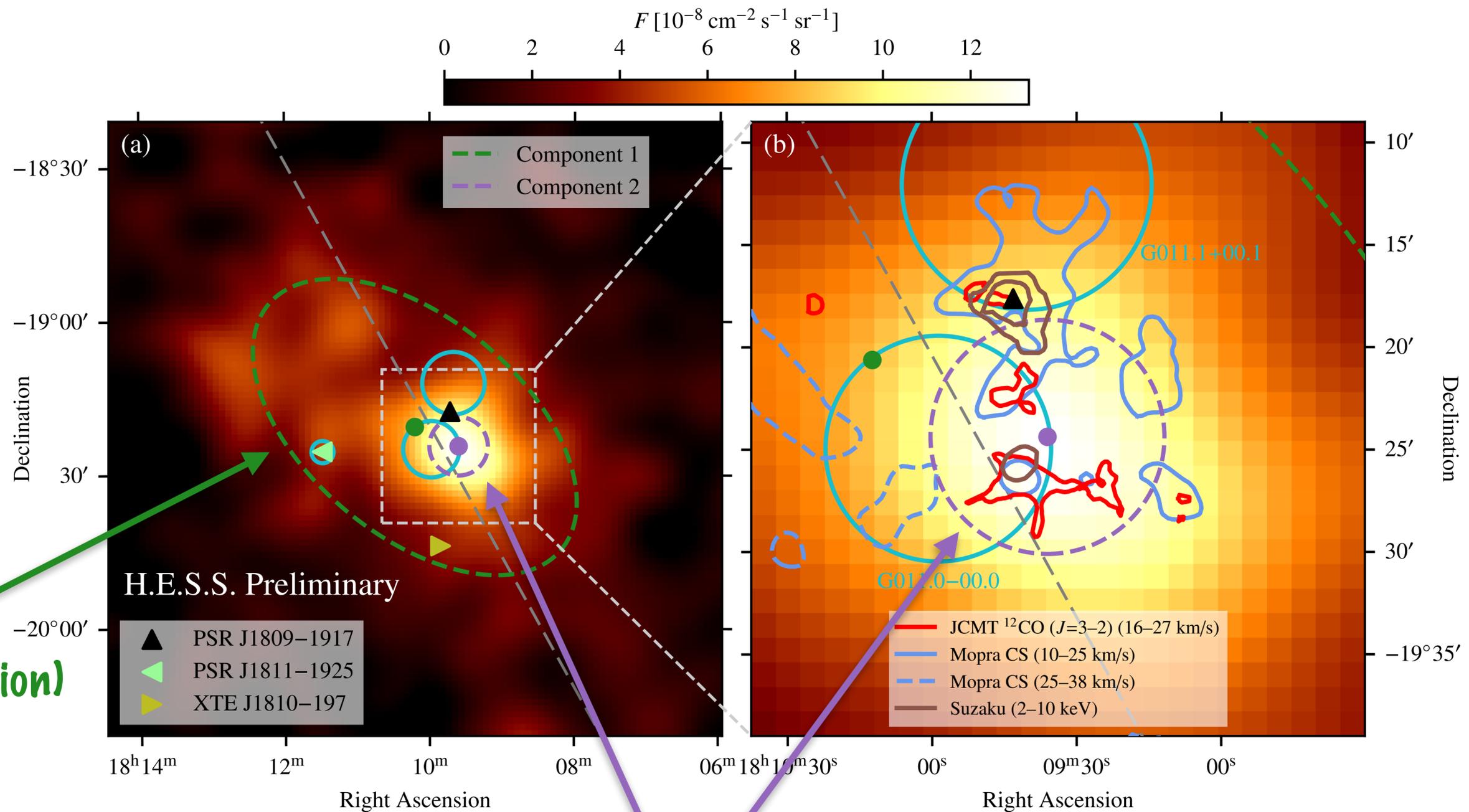
### ▶ power law

- $\Gamma = 1.98 \pm 0.05_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.03_{\text{sys}}$

- cut-off *not significantly preferred*



# Flux map with H.E.S.S. models



Component 1  
(extended emission)

Component 2

(bright peak — slightly offset from X-ray PWN — coincides with SNR + clouds)

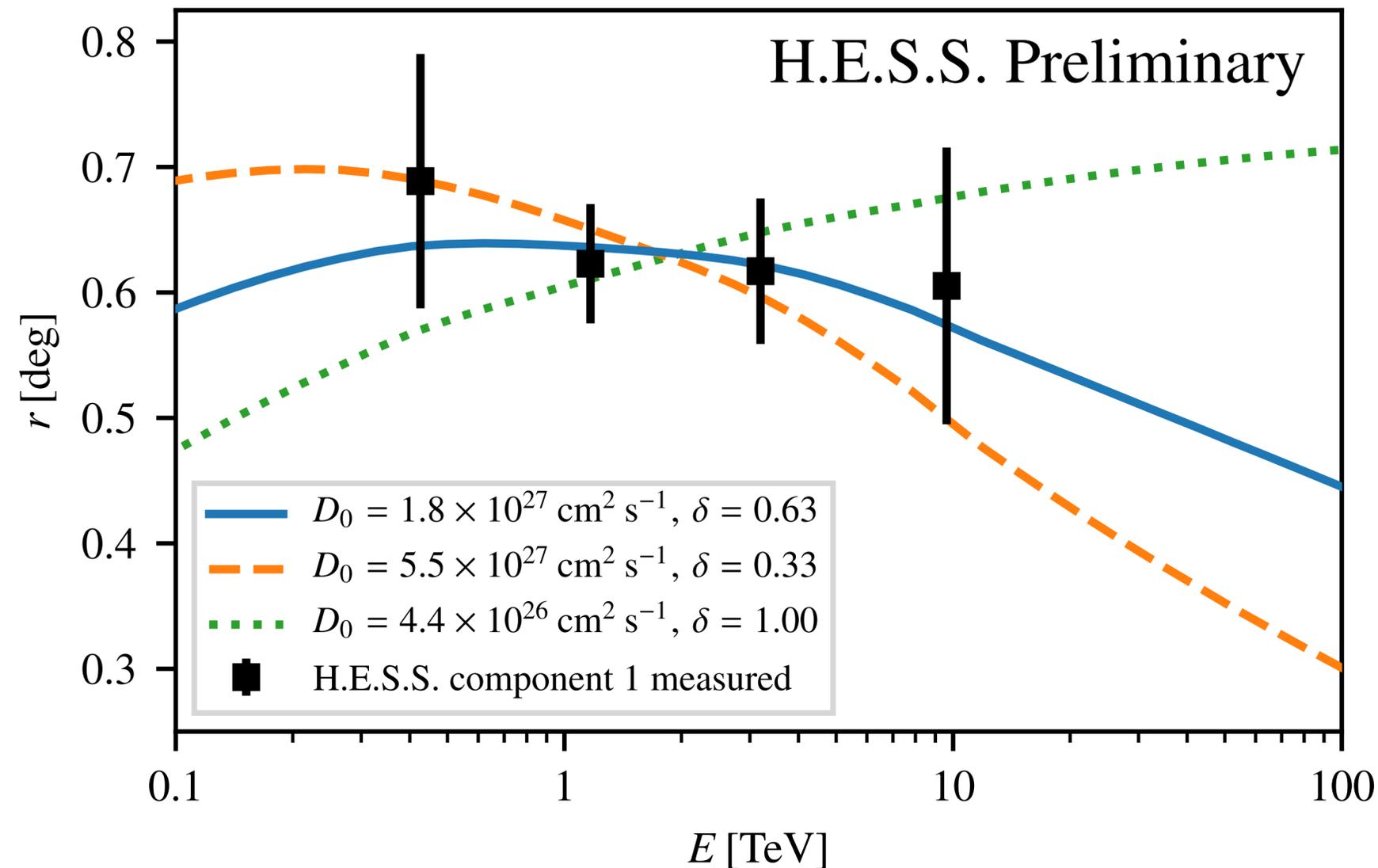
# Extended component: a “halo” of old electrons?

## Extent of emission

- ▶ assume electrons started diffusing 20 kyr ago (age of system)
- ▶ compute expected size of halo and compare with measurement
- ▶ good agreement for  $D_0 \sim 2 \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$   
→ a reasonable value!

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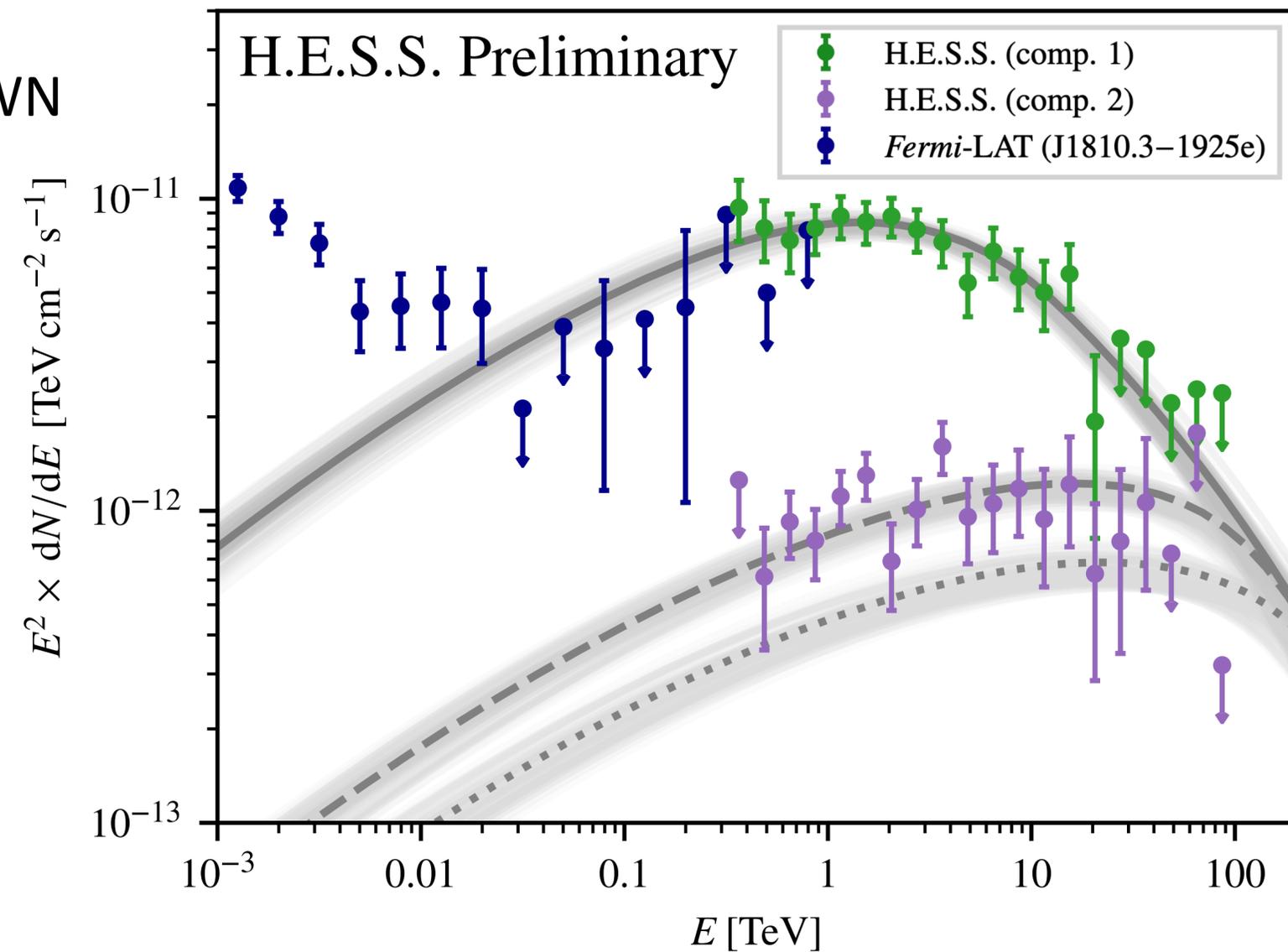
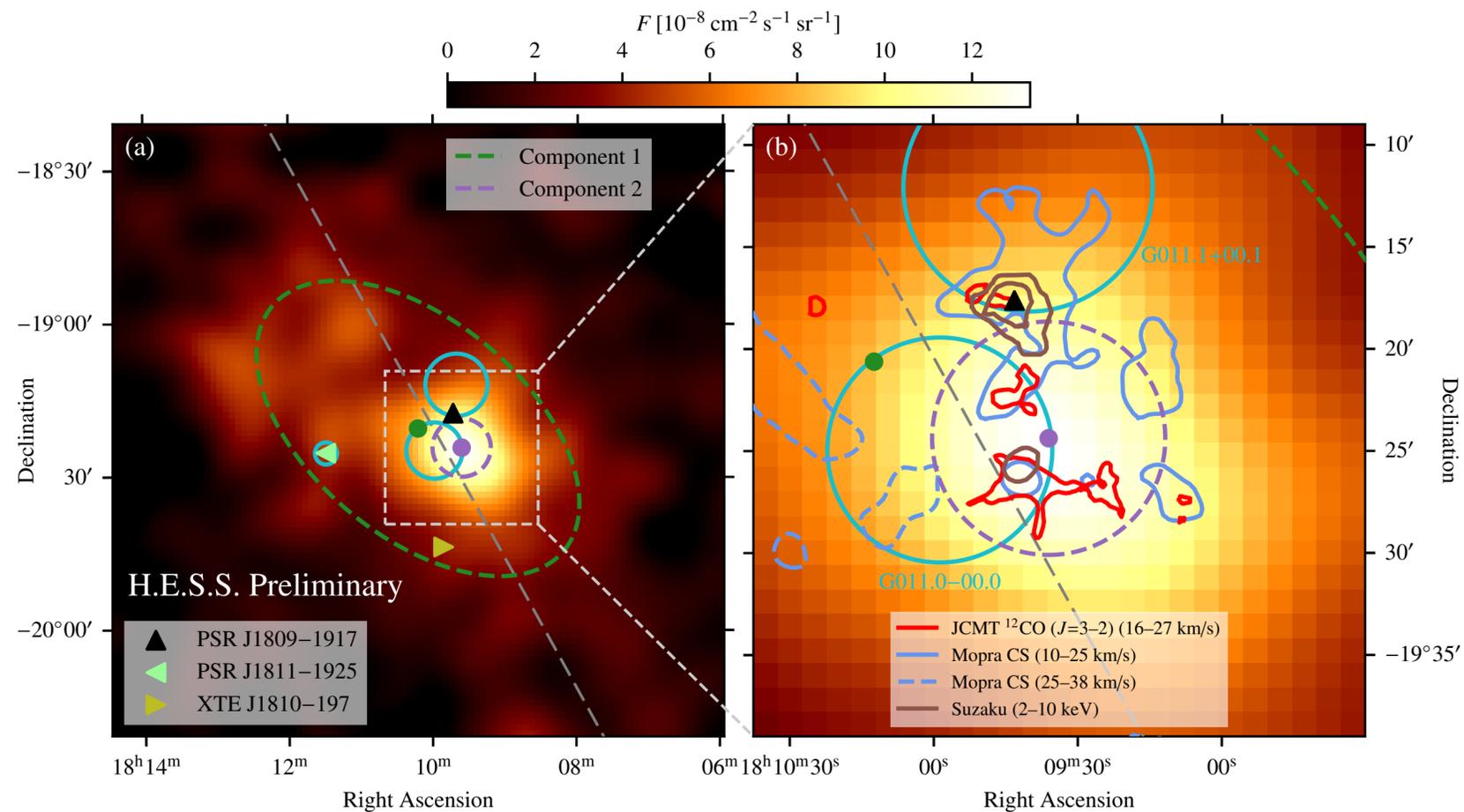
- ▶ expect cut-off in  $\gamma$ -ray spectrum because highest-energy electrons have cooled
- ▶ as observed!



# Compact component: leptonic or hadronic?

## Leptonic

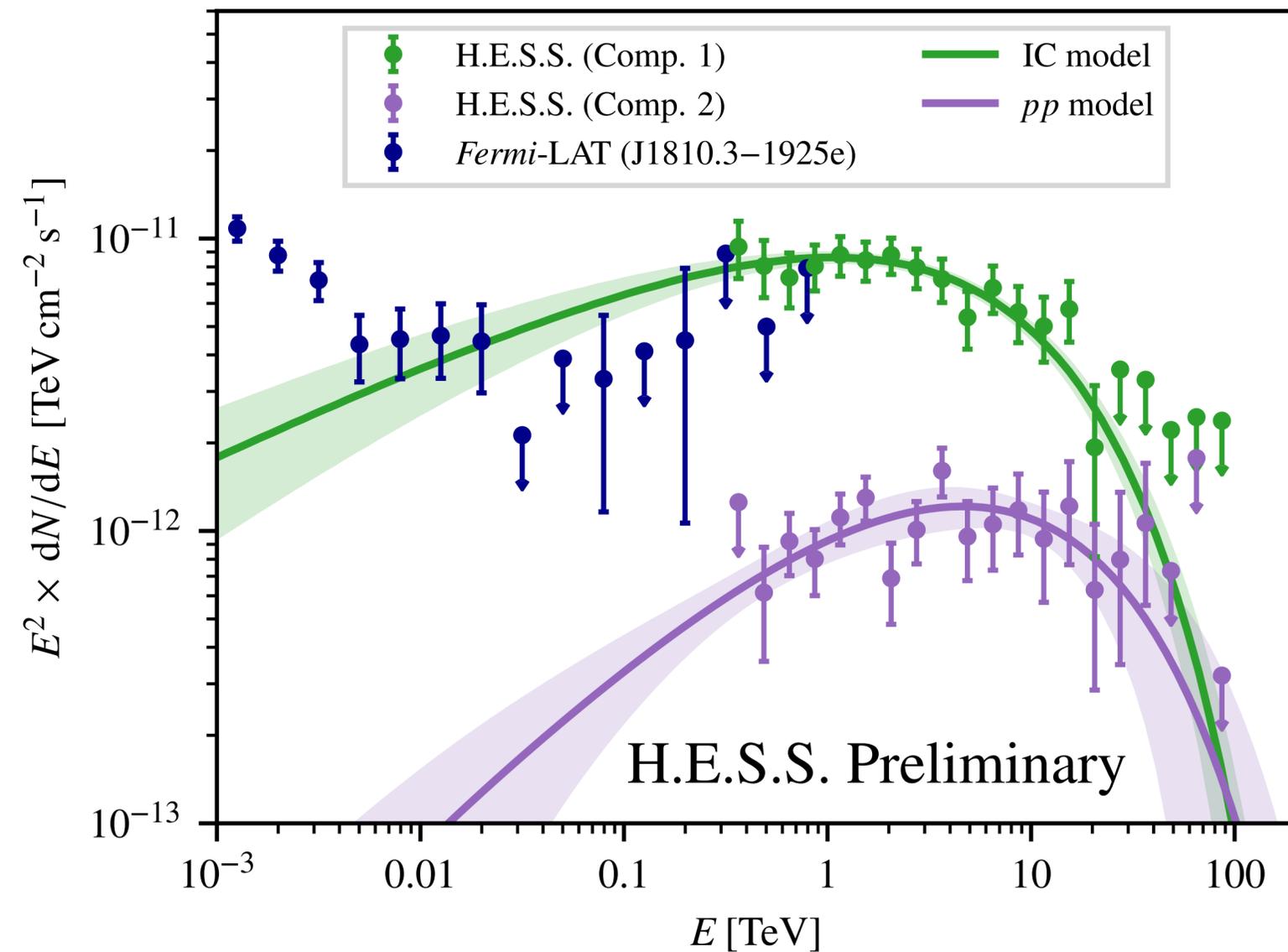
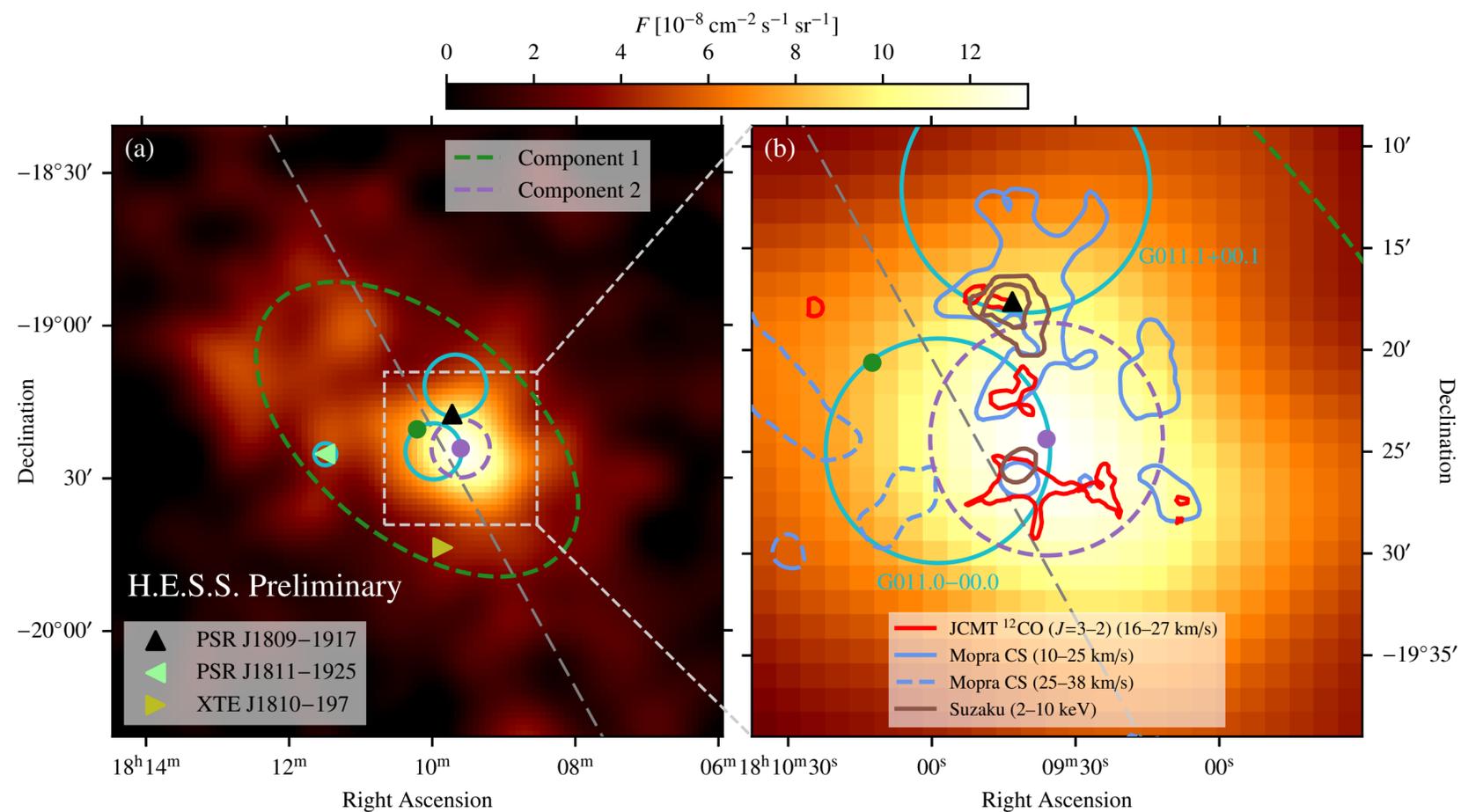
- ▶ inverse Compton emission from PWN electrons
- ▶ peak of emission slightly offset from pulsar / X-ray PWN
- ▶ “medium-aged” electrons escaping into broader region?



# Compact component: leptonic or hadronic?

## ● Hadronic

- ▶ cosmic-ray nuclei accelerated in SNR and interacting in molecular clouds
- ▶ peak of emission coincident with SNR shell & clouds
- ▶ viable energetically ( $W_p \sim 3 \times 10^{49} (n / 1 \text{ cm}^{-3})^{-1} \text{ erg}$ )



# HESS J1809-193: summary

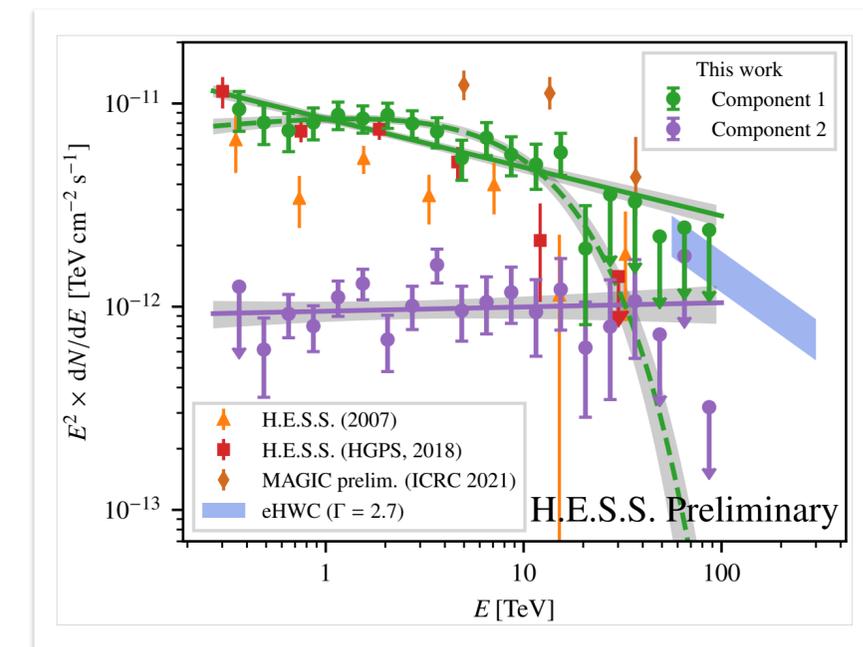
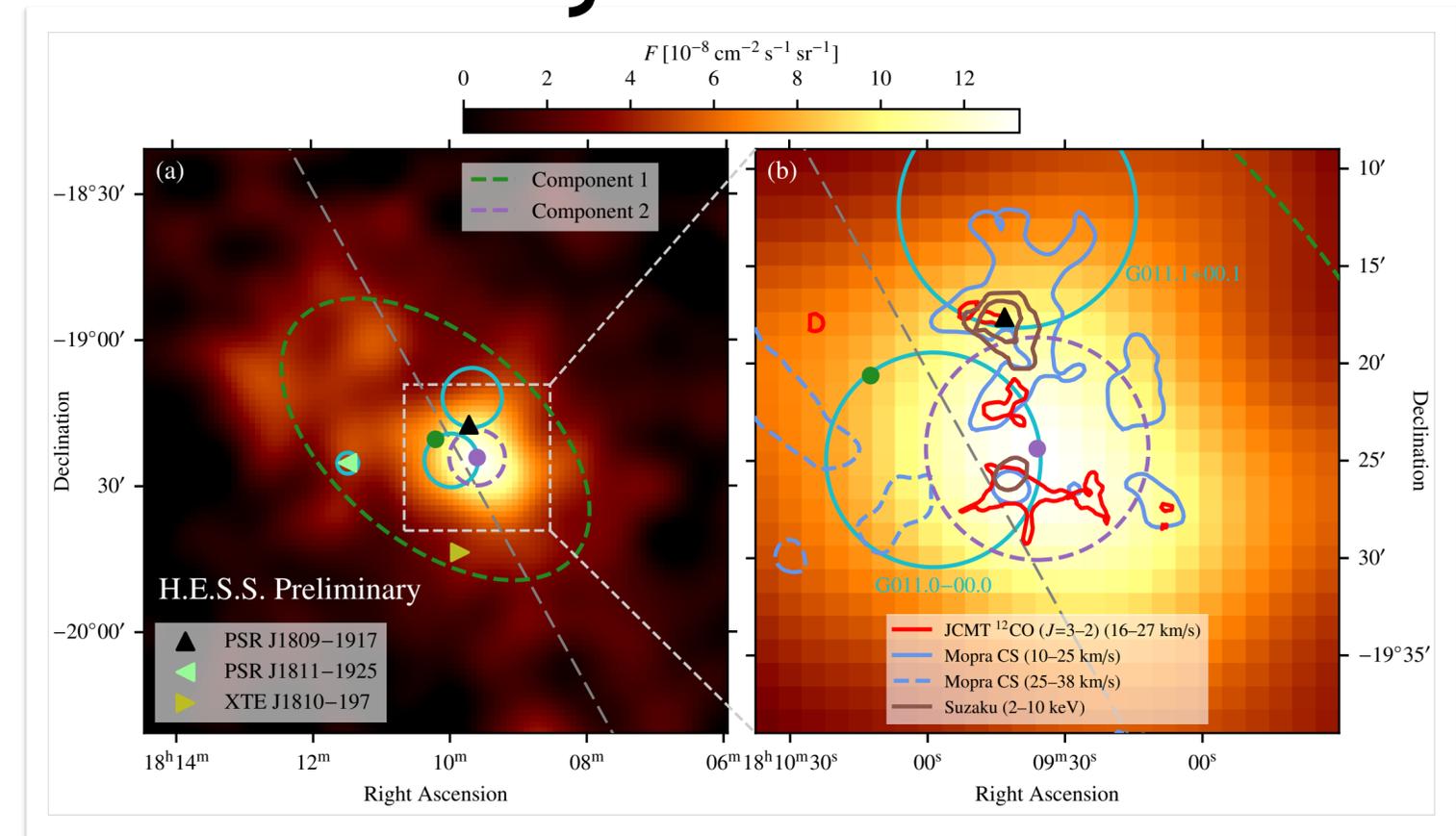
- HESS J1809-193

- ▶ unidentified PeVatron candidate
- ▶ fascinating environment — several plausible associations

- New H.E.S.S. analysis

- ▶ resolved emission into two distinct components
- ▶ 3D likelihood analysis has been crucial for this!

- Publication almost ready — watch out!

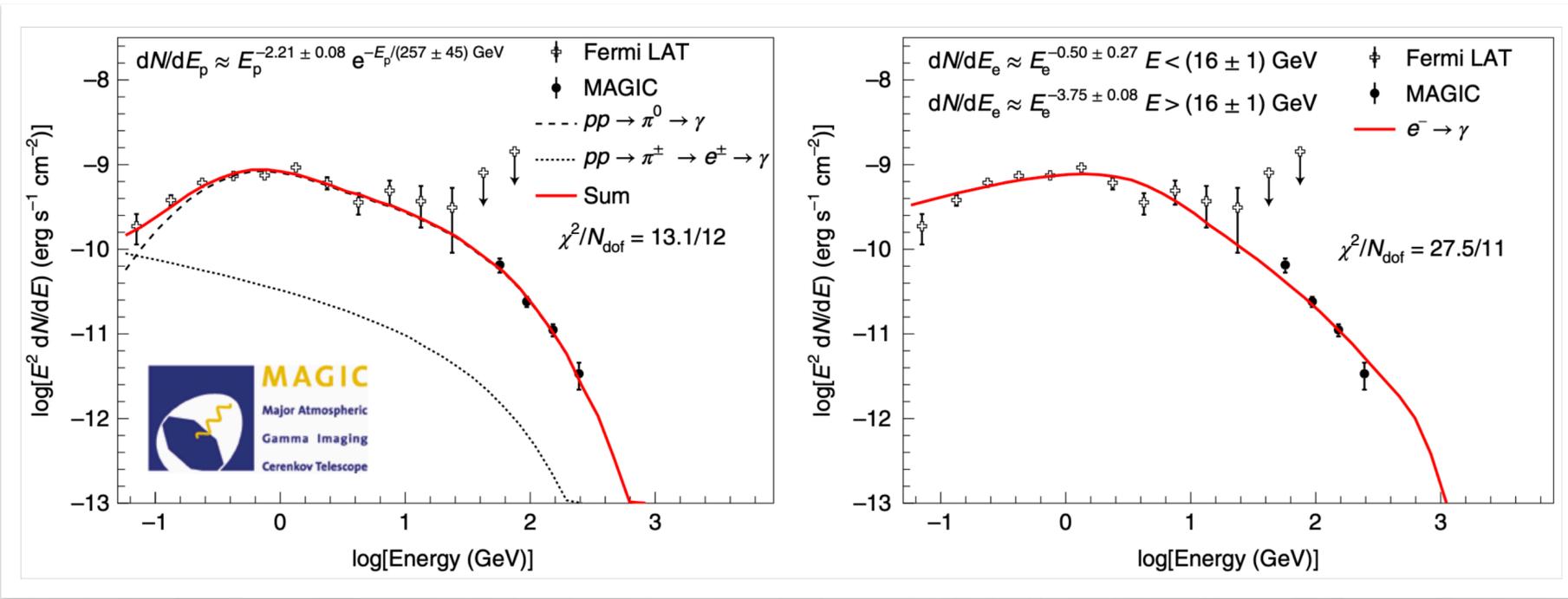
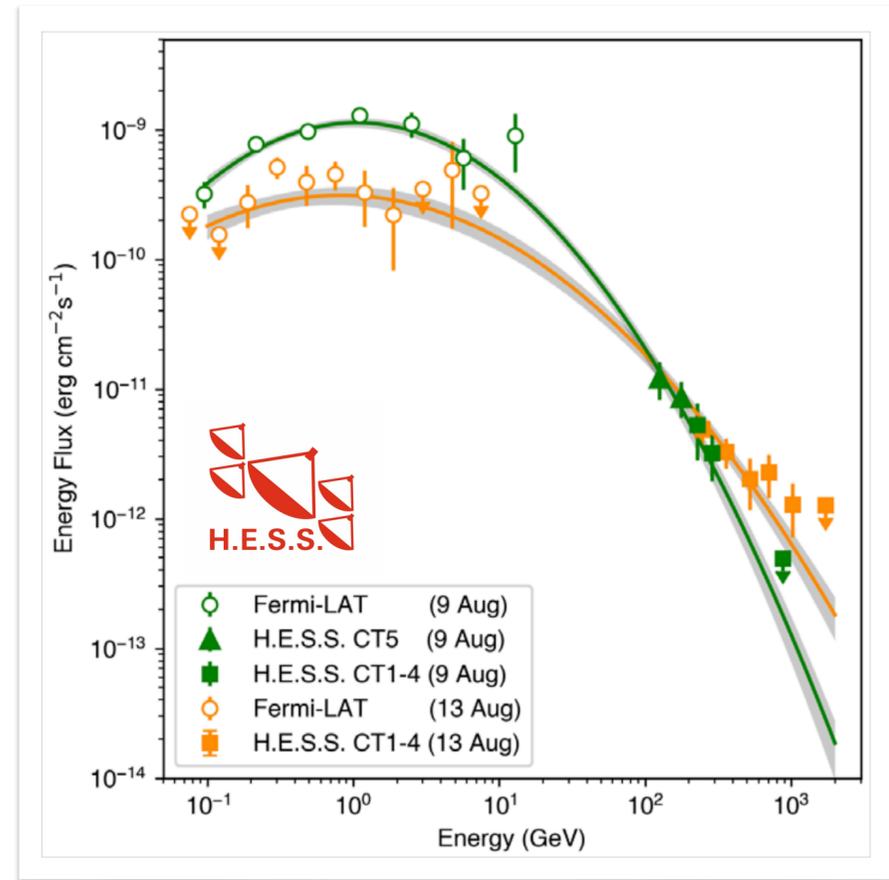


# Other recent highlights

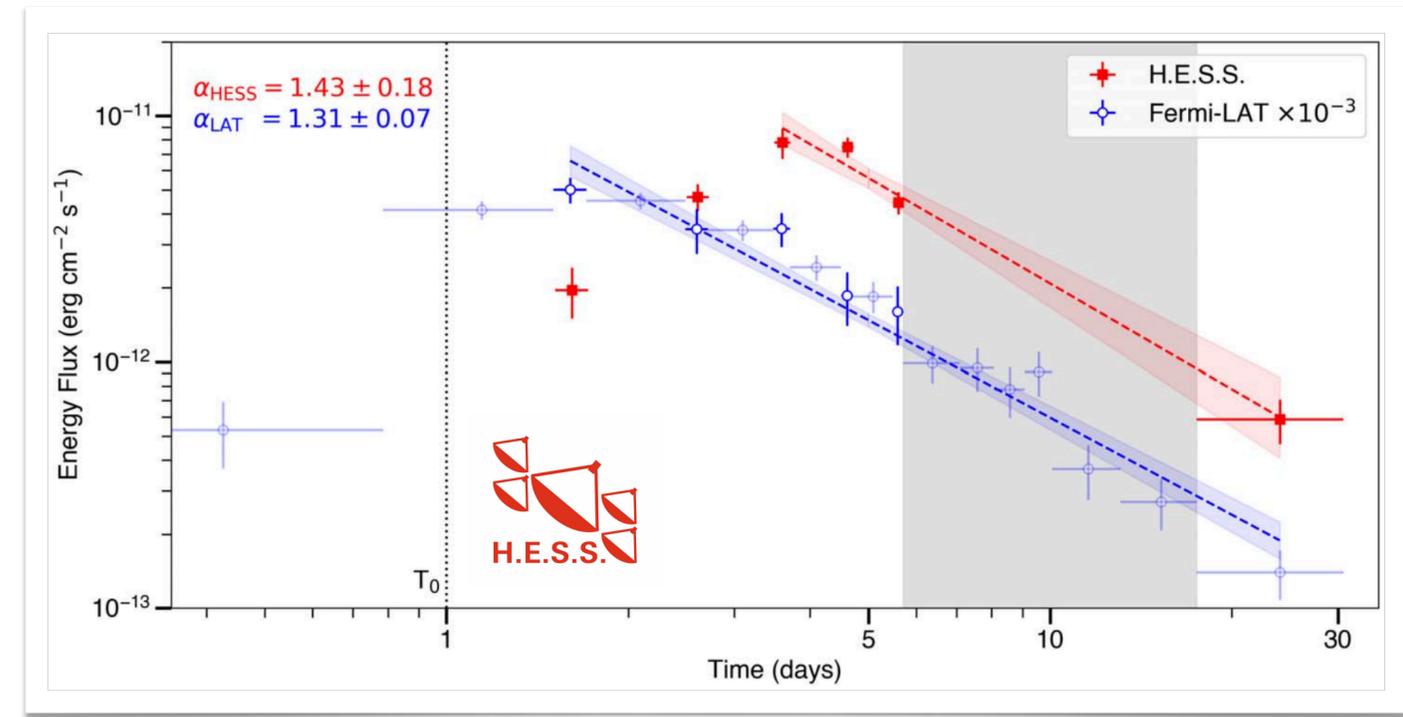
(a personal selection — not exhaustive!)

# Nova RS Ophiuchi

- New VHE source class & the first Galactic transient!
- Detected with H.E.S.S. and MAGIC (and LST-1!)
- Hadronic scenario favoured in both cases
- Implications for cosmic-ray acceleration in supernovae



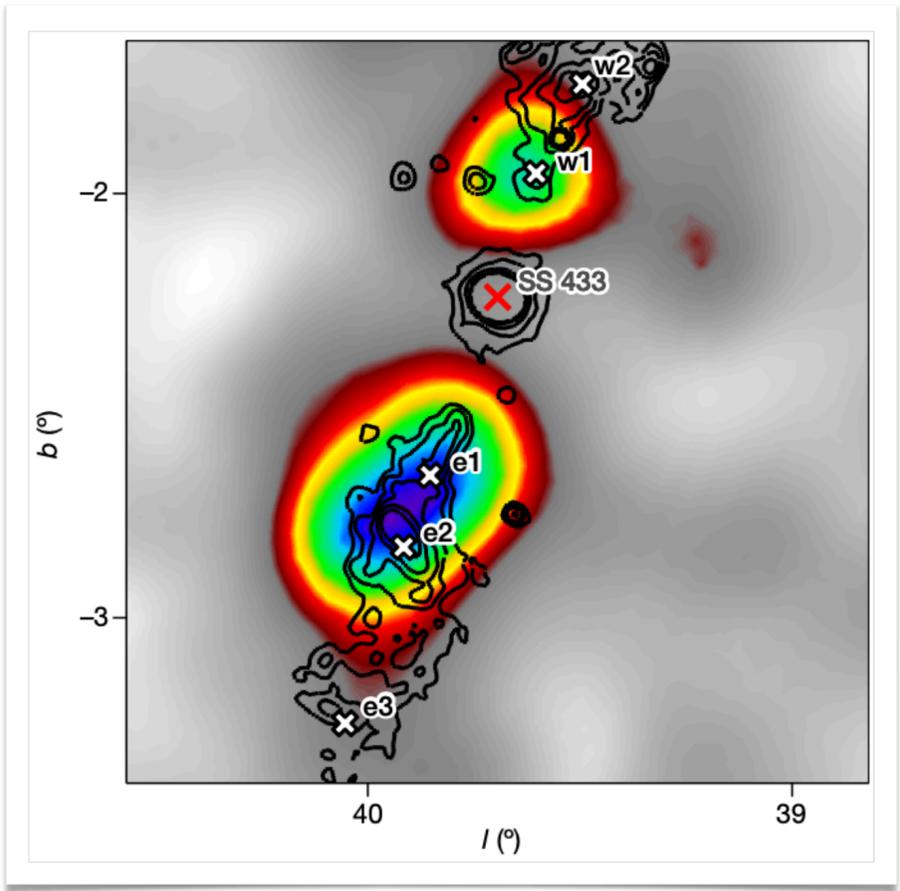
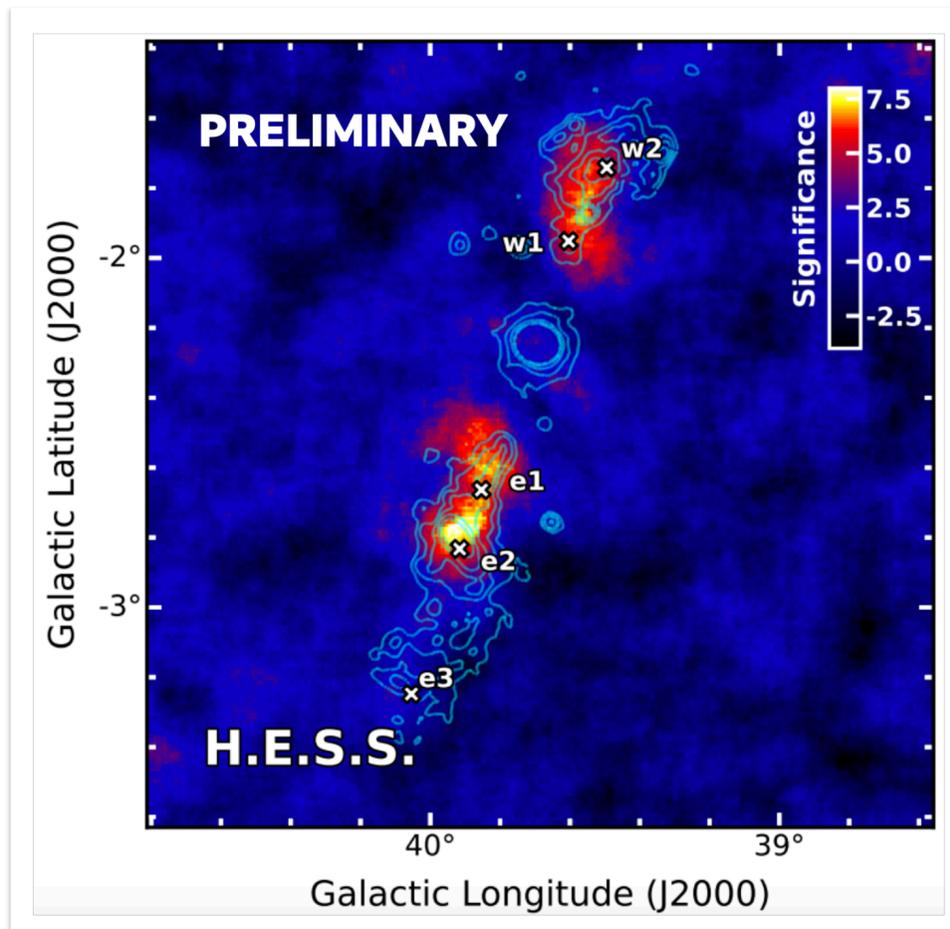
MAGIC Collaboration, Nature Astronomy 6, 689 (2022)



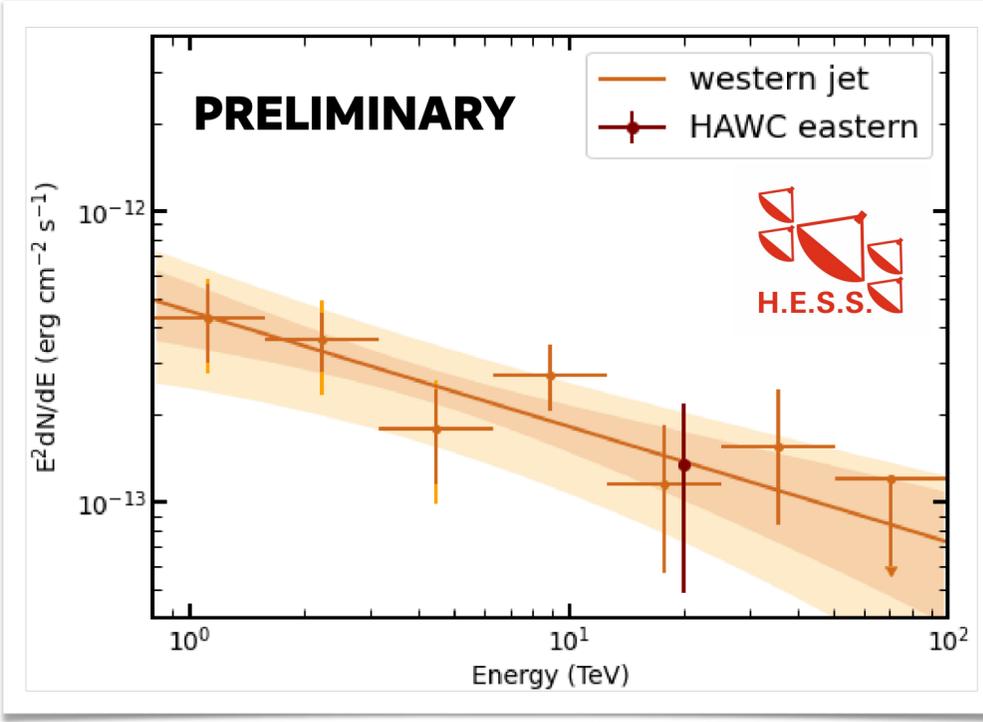
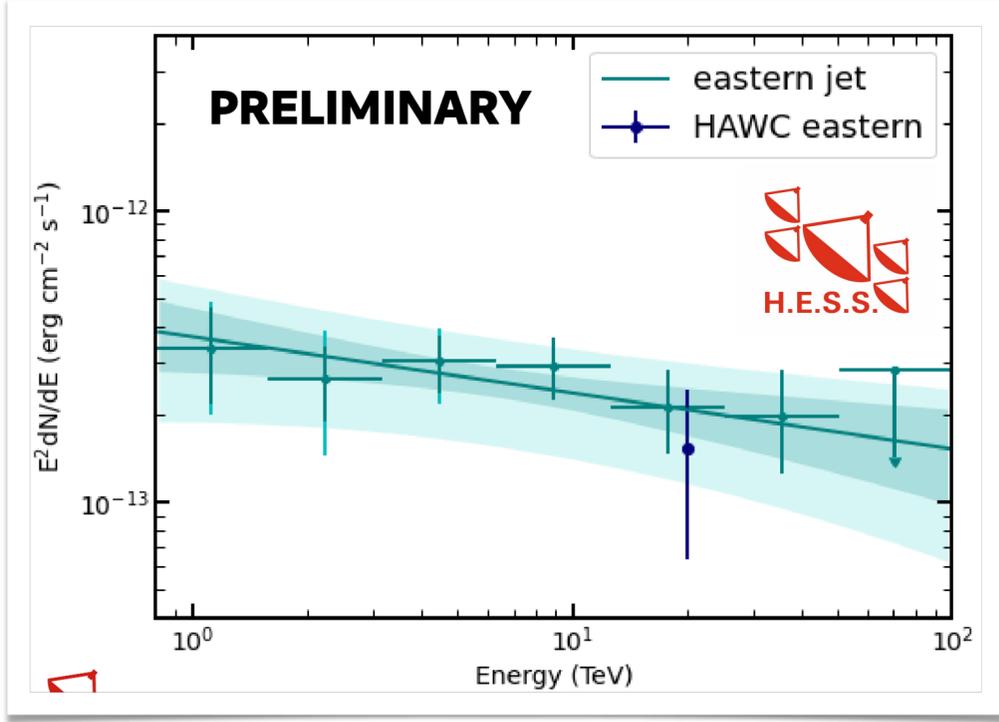
H.E.S.S. Collaboration, Science 376, 77 (2022)

# SS 433

- Microquasar, jets perpendicular to line of sight
- 2018: detection of jets reported by HAWC
- Gamma '22: now confirmed with H.E.S.S.
  - will be able to resolve emission better!



HAWC Collaboration, Nature 562, 82 (2018)



L. Olivera-Nieto et al. (for the H.E.S.S. Collaboration), Gamma 2022, Barcelona

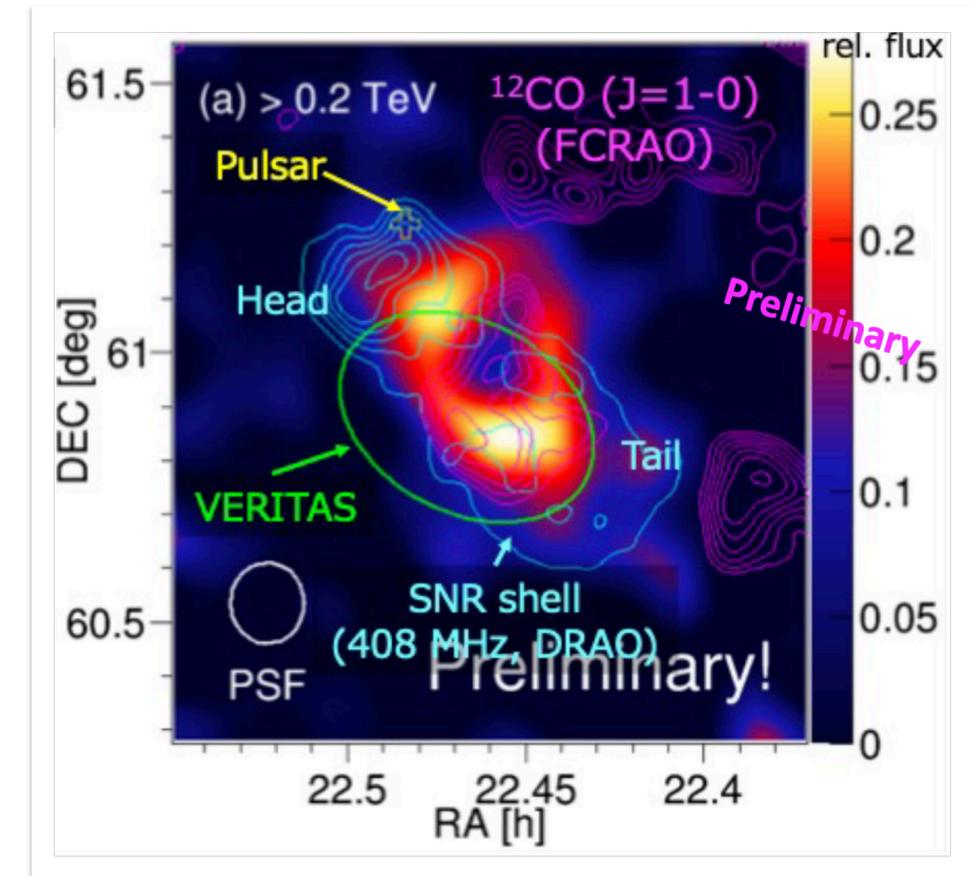
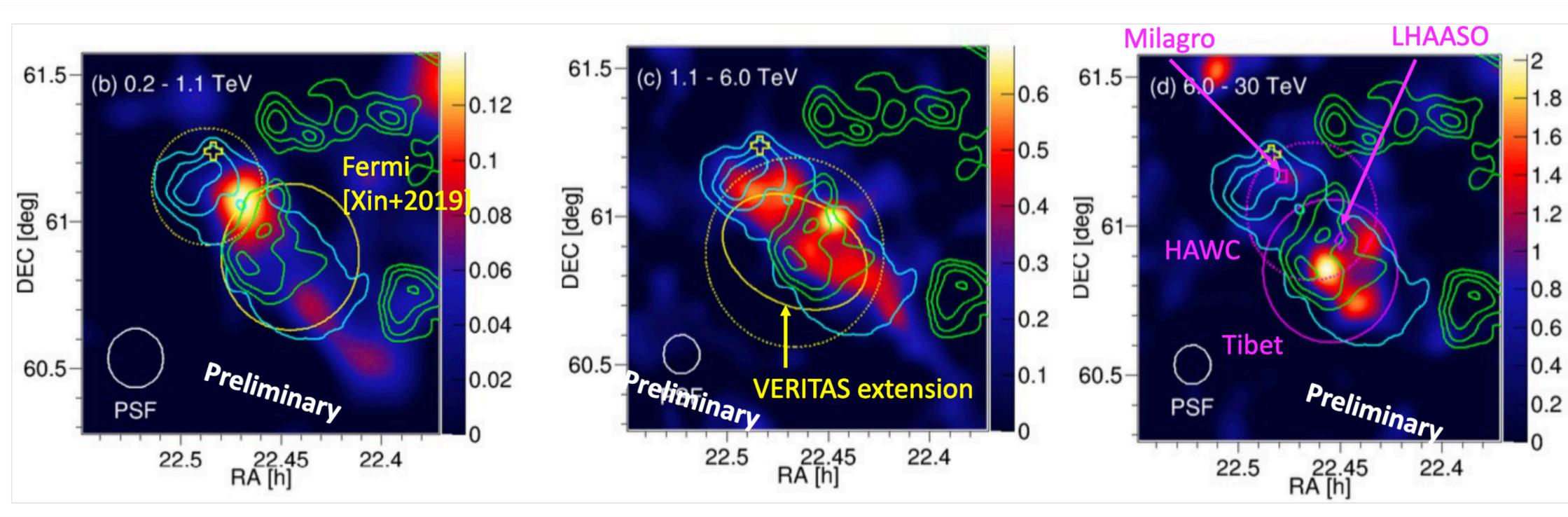
# SNR G1 06.3+2.7 / Boomerang PWN

- Well-known extended gamma-ray source (e.g. VERITAS 2009, Milagro 2009)
- Recently detected up to 100 TeV (Tibet) / 500 TeV (LHAASO)
- Gamma '22: MAGIC provides high-resolution view!
- Two emission regions:
  - head**: seen only at low energies → escaped electrons from PWN?
  - tail**: seen only at high energies → escaped protons from SNR, colliding with cloud now?



*T. Saiko et al. (for the MAGIC Collaboration),  
Gamma 2022, Barcelona*

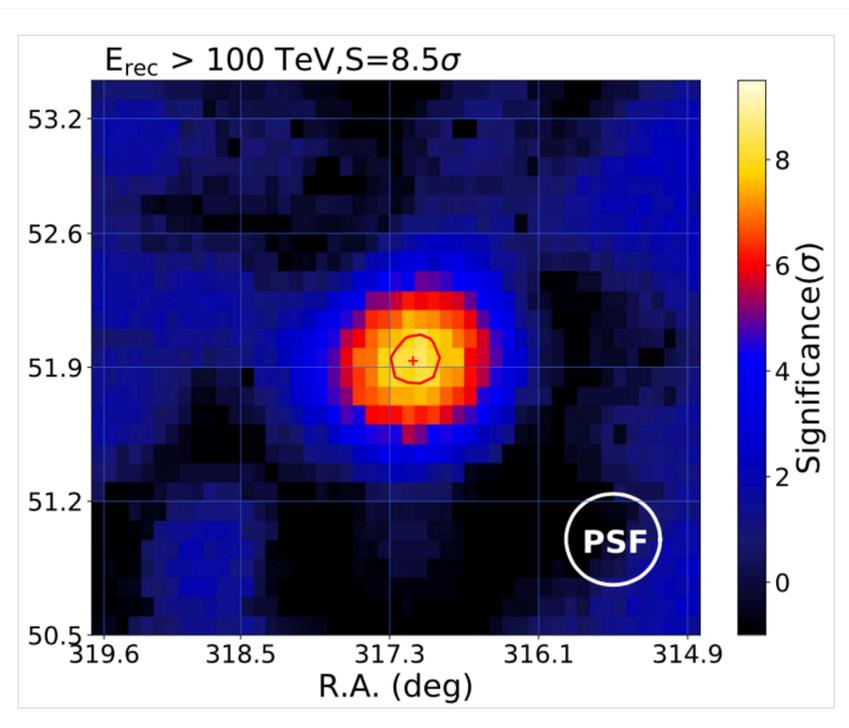
*M. Strzys (for the MAGIC Collaboration),  
TeVPA 2022, Kingston*



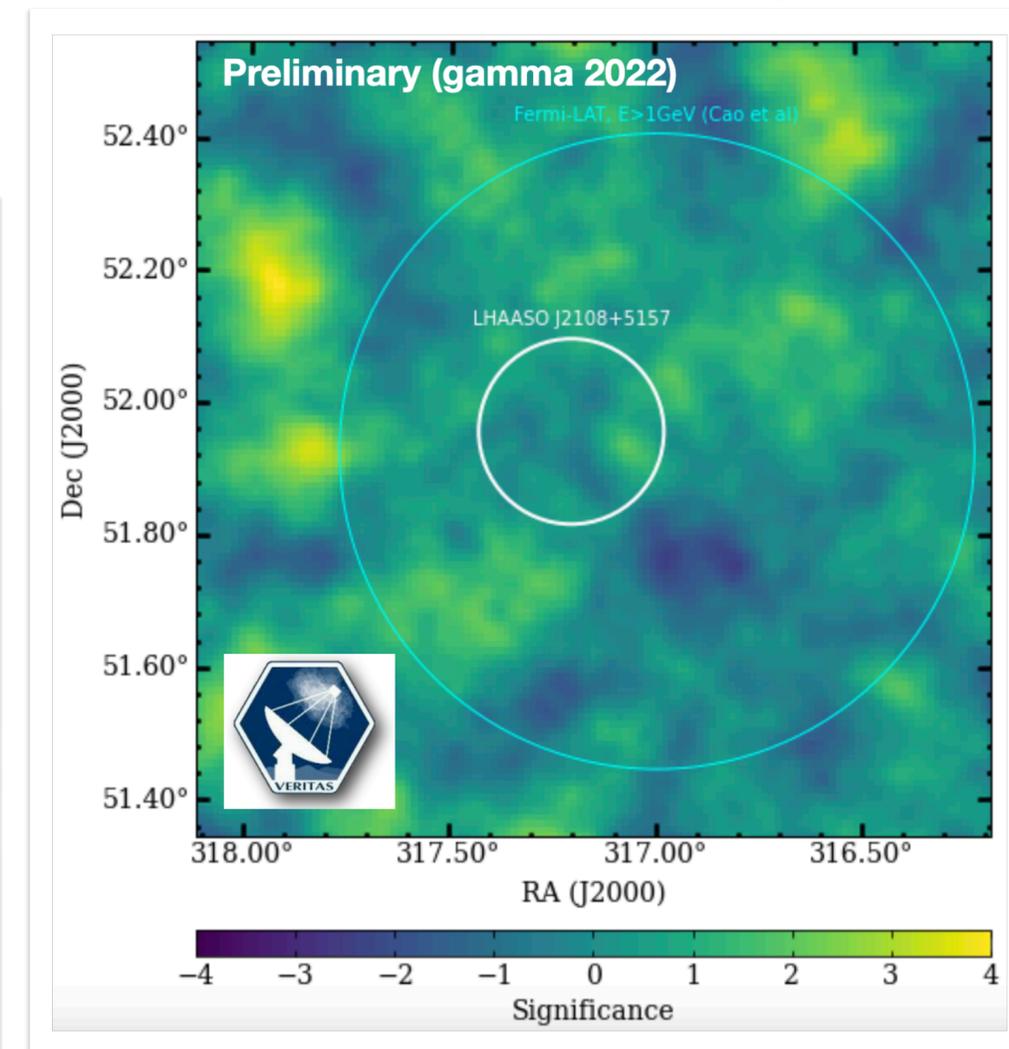
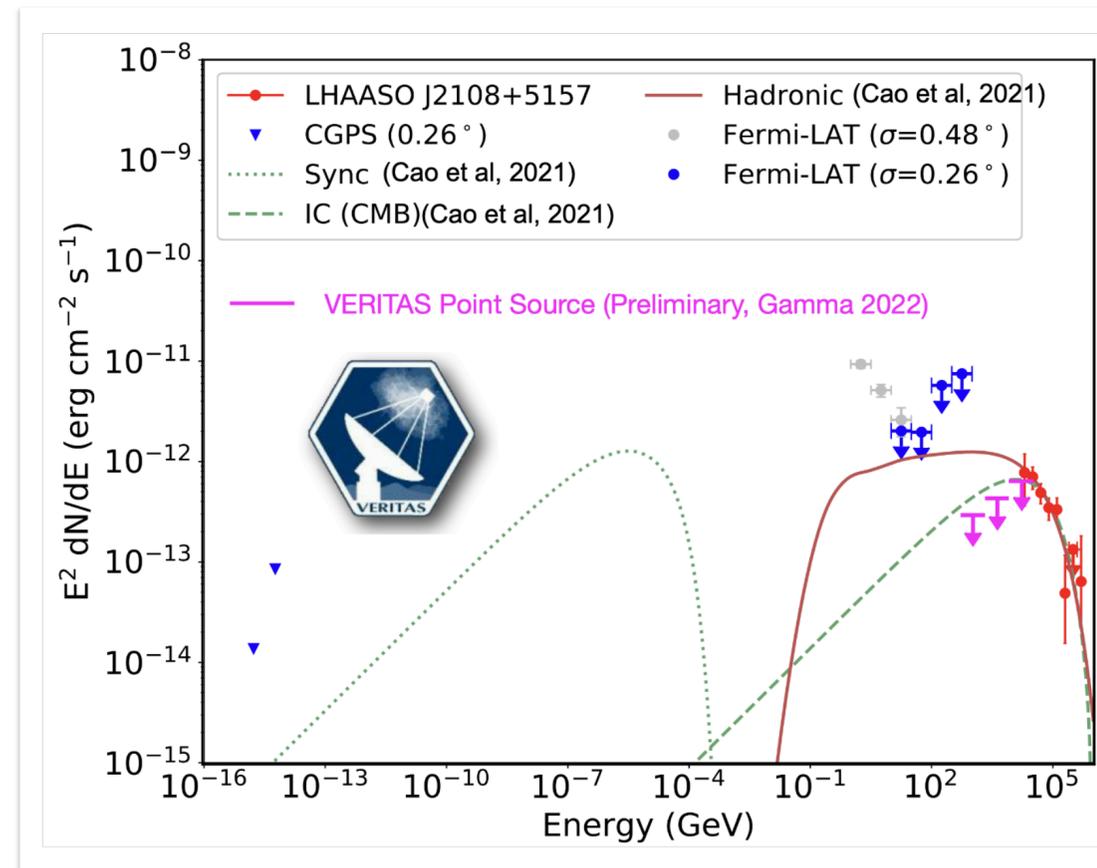
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- Discovered by LHAASO above 100 TeV — no detection with IACTs yet!
- No obvious counterpart — coincident with molecular cloud
- VERITAS: no detection in 35 hours
- Point-source upper limits challenge hadronic scenario

*N. Park et al.  
(for the VERITAS Collaboration),  
Gamma 2022, Barcelona*



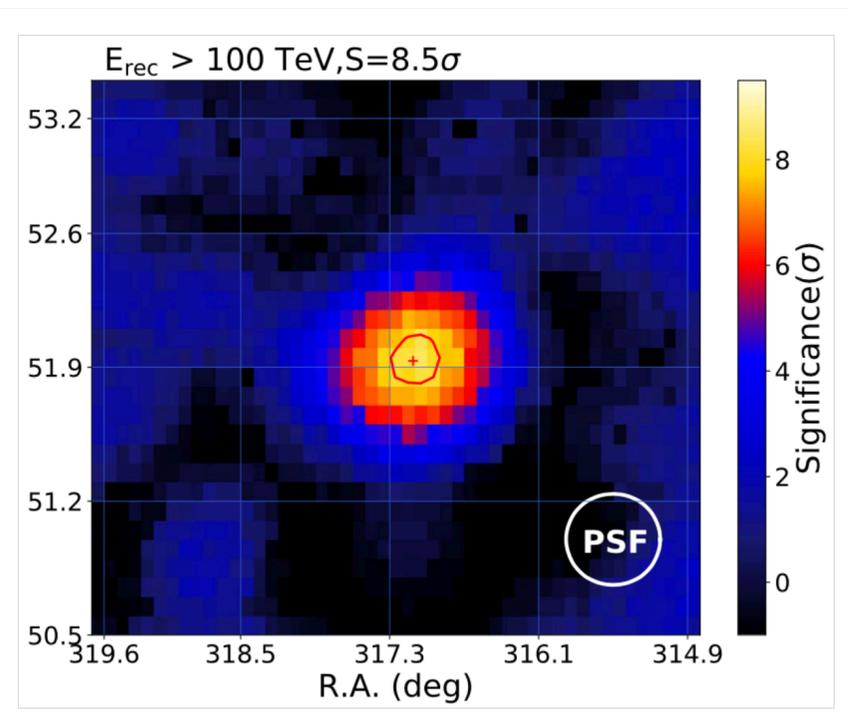
LHAASO Collaboration, *ApJL* 919, L22 (2021)



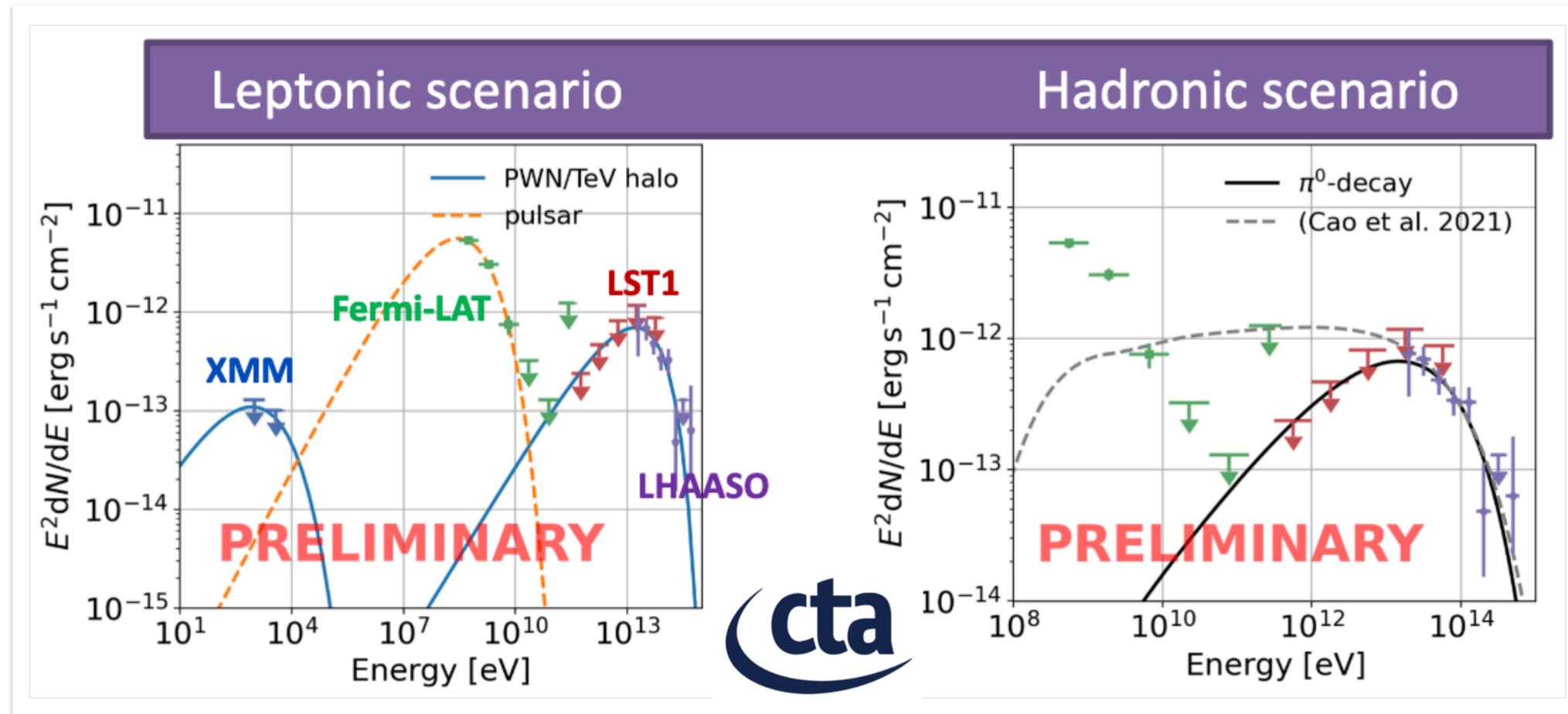
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- Similarly with CTA LST-1: no detection in 91 hours**

*J. Cortina / J. Jurišek (for the LST-1 Collaboration),  
Gamma 2022, Barcelona*



LHAASO Collaboration, *ApJL* 919, L22 (2021)

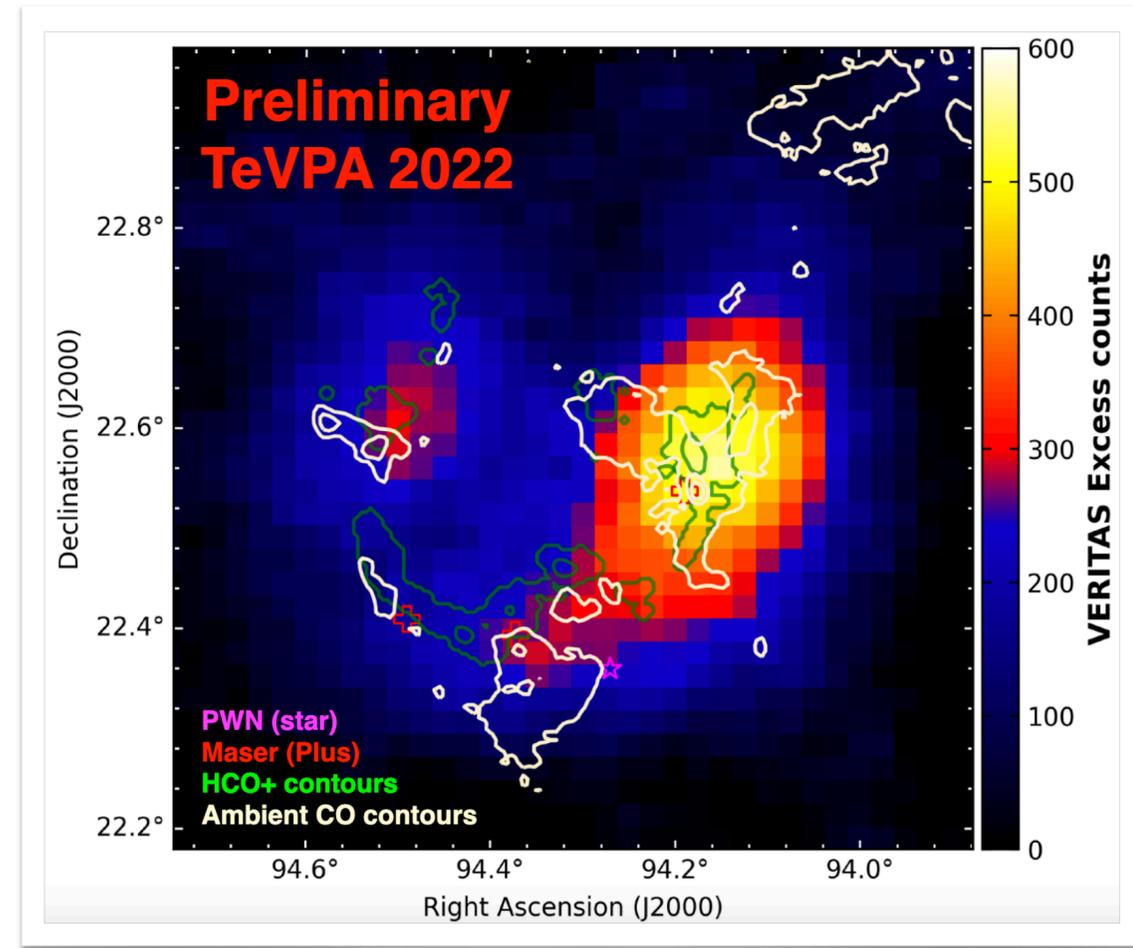
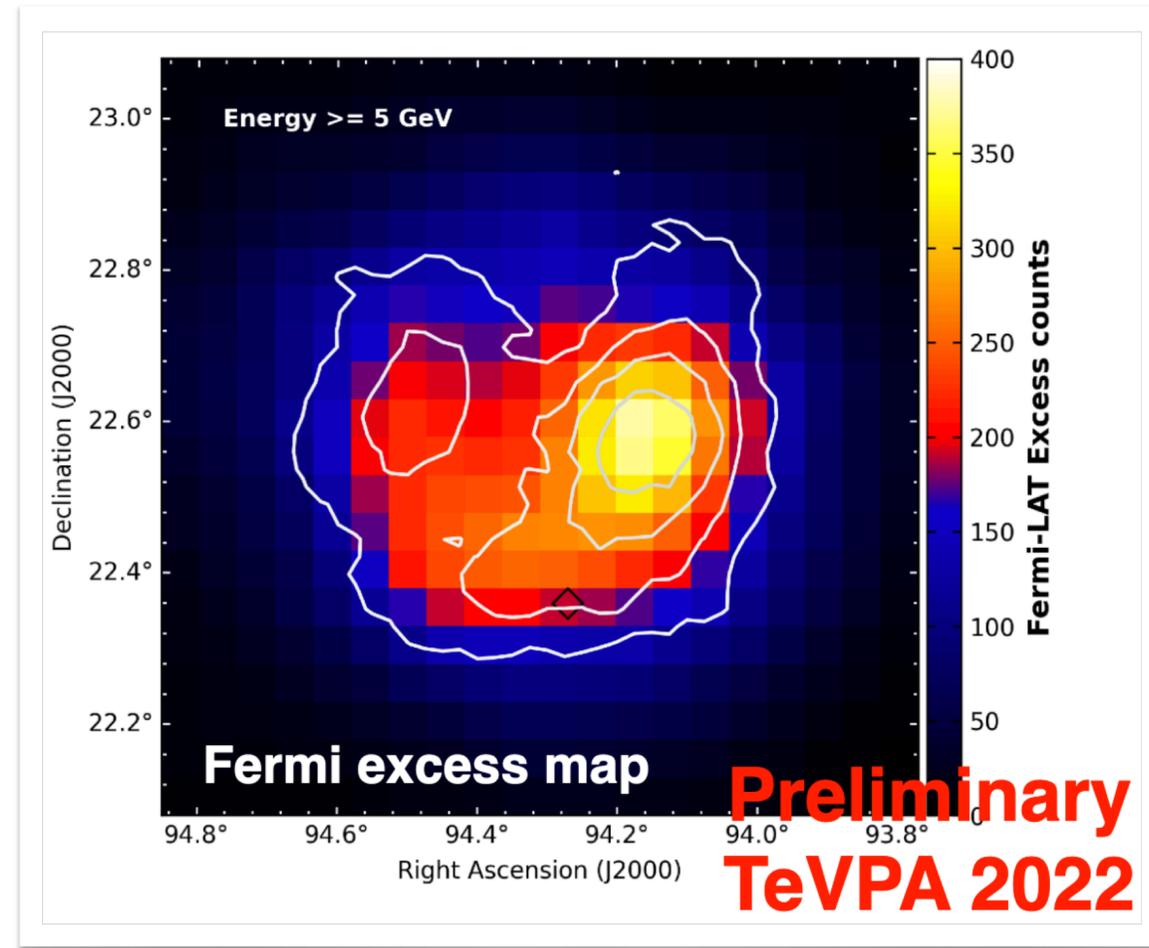
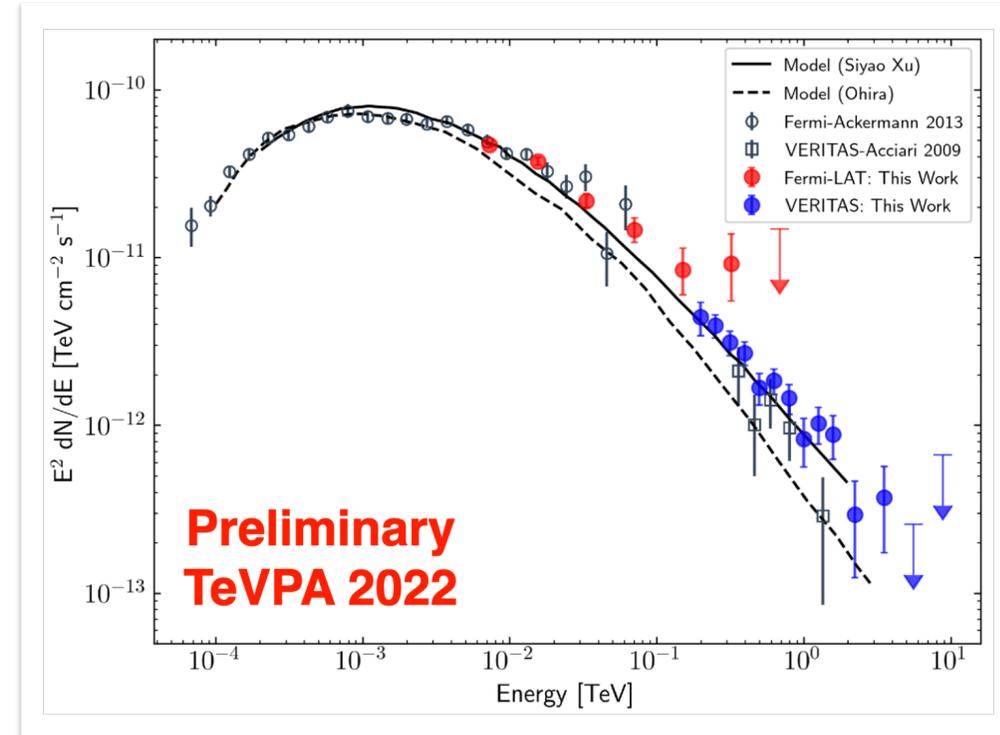


# SNR IC 443



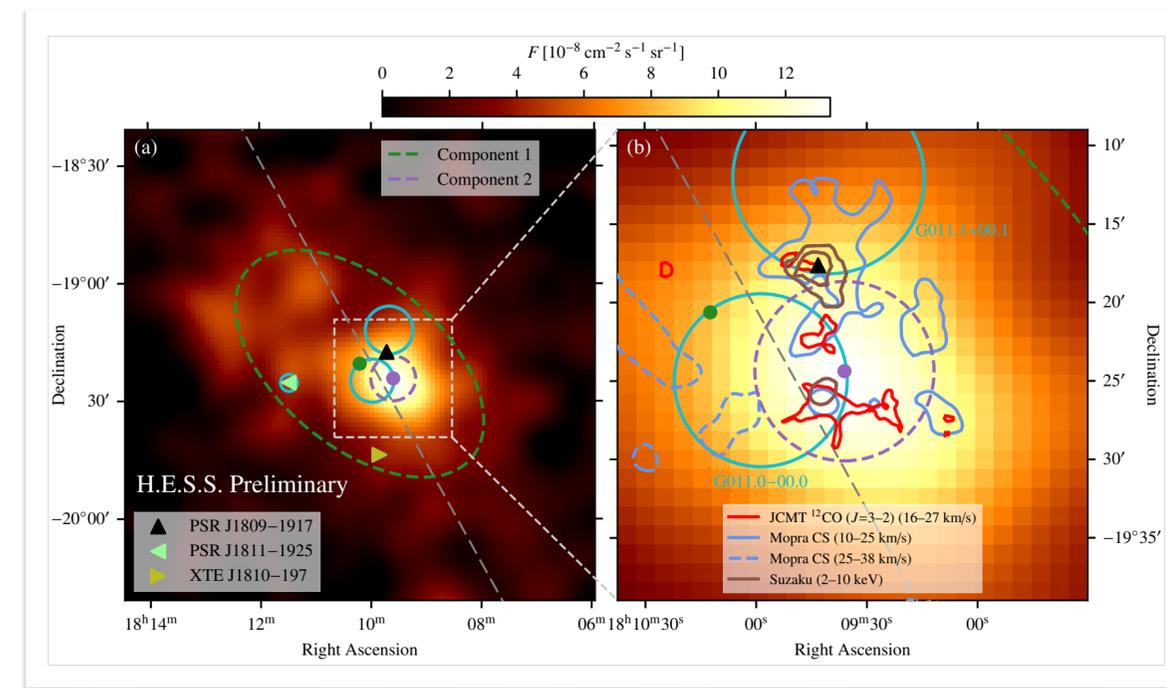
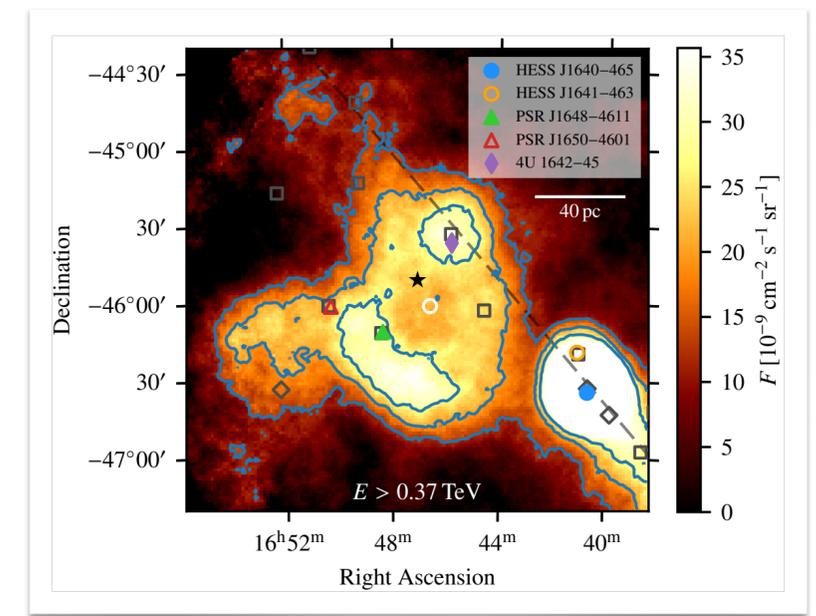
- Detailed study by VERITAS
- Nice correlation with GeV emission measured with Fermi-LAT
  - ▶ suggests common origin of emission
- Emission also correlated with gas tracers
- A hadronic accelerator — but not a PeVatron...

*Sajan Kumar (for the VERITAS Collaboration),  
TeVPA 2022, Kingston (Mon 08/08, Galactic Sources I)*



# Conclusion

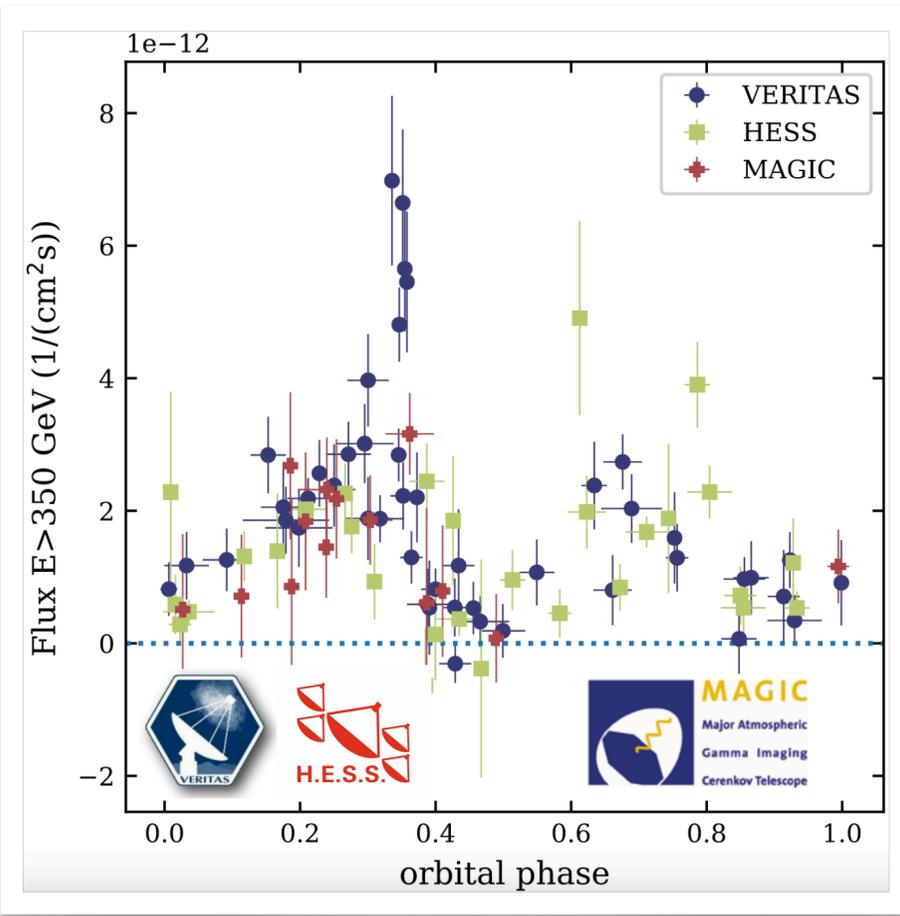
- Galactic gamma-ray sources are often extended / complex in morphology
  - high angular resolution of IACTs is crucial
  - 3D likelihood analysis can be a powerful tool
- Westerlund 1
  - complex gamma-ray emission with shell-like structure
  - are stellar clusters the main accelerators of Galactic cosmic rays?
- HESS J1809–193
  - resolved into two distinct components
  - dynamic PWN system or mixed PWN / SNR scenario?
- After more than a decade, H.E.S.S., MAGIC & VERITAS are still providing exciting results
  - recently, very fruitful interplay with wide-field instruments (HAWC, LHAASO, Tibet)
  - exciting prospects with CTA!



**Bonus: even more recent interesting  
measurements of Galactic sources!**

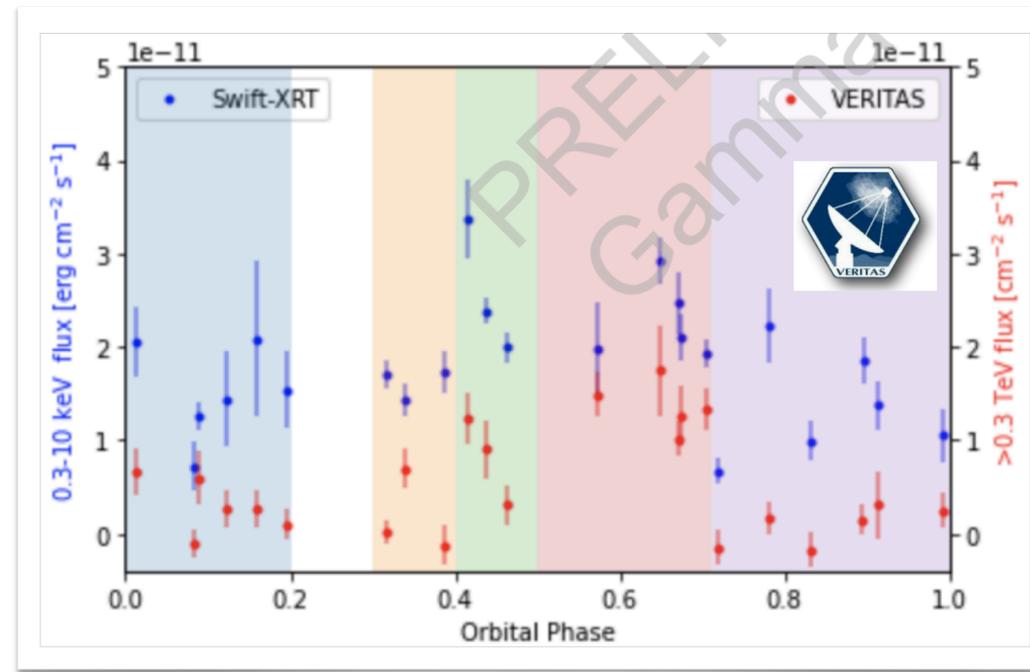
# Gamma-ray binaries

- **HESS J0632+057**
- Period: 317 days
- H.E.S.S. + MAGIC + VERITAS
- Orbit-to-orbit variability



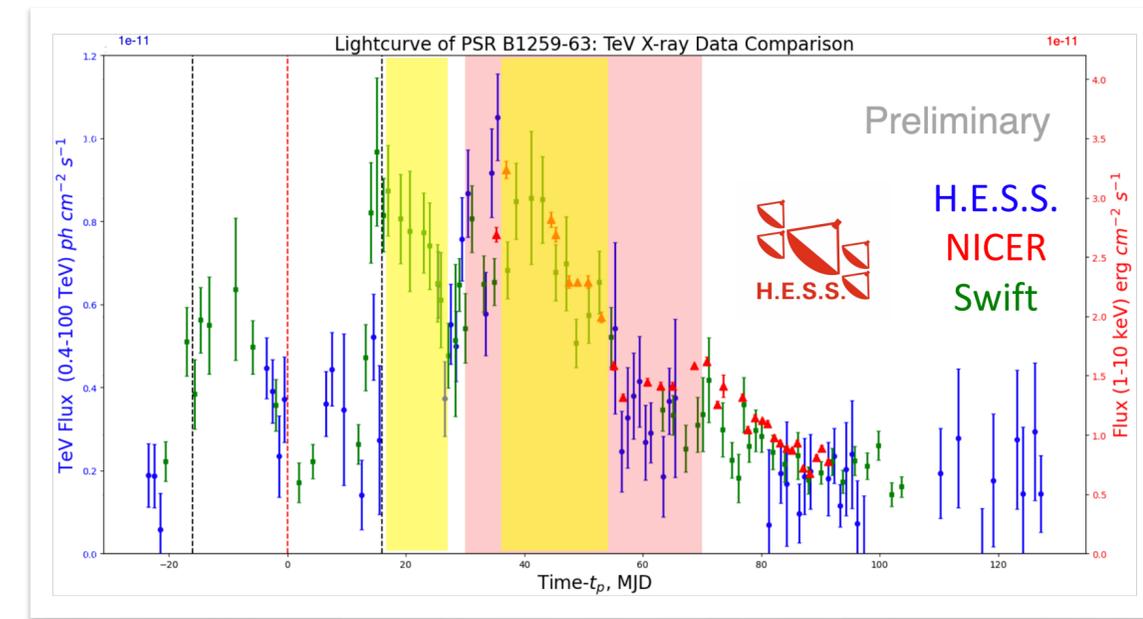
**VERITAS+MAGIC+H.E.S.S. Collaboration,**  
*ApJ 923, 241 (2021)*

- **LSI +61° 303**
- Period: 26.5 days
- VERITAS
- Correlation with Swift-XRT  
(simultaneous within 0.5h)



**S.R. Patel (for the VERITAS Collaboration),**  
*Gamma 2022, Barcelona*

- **PSR B1259-63**
- Period: 3.4 years
- H.E.S.S.
- Correlation with X-ray curve
- Detection out to ~120 days after periastron!

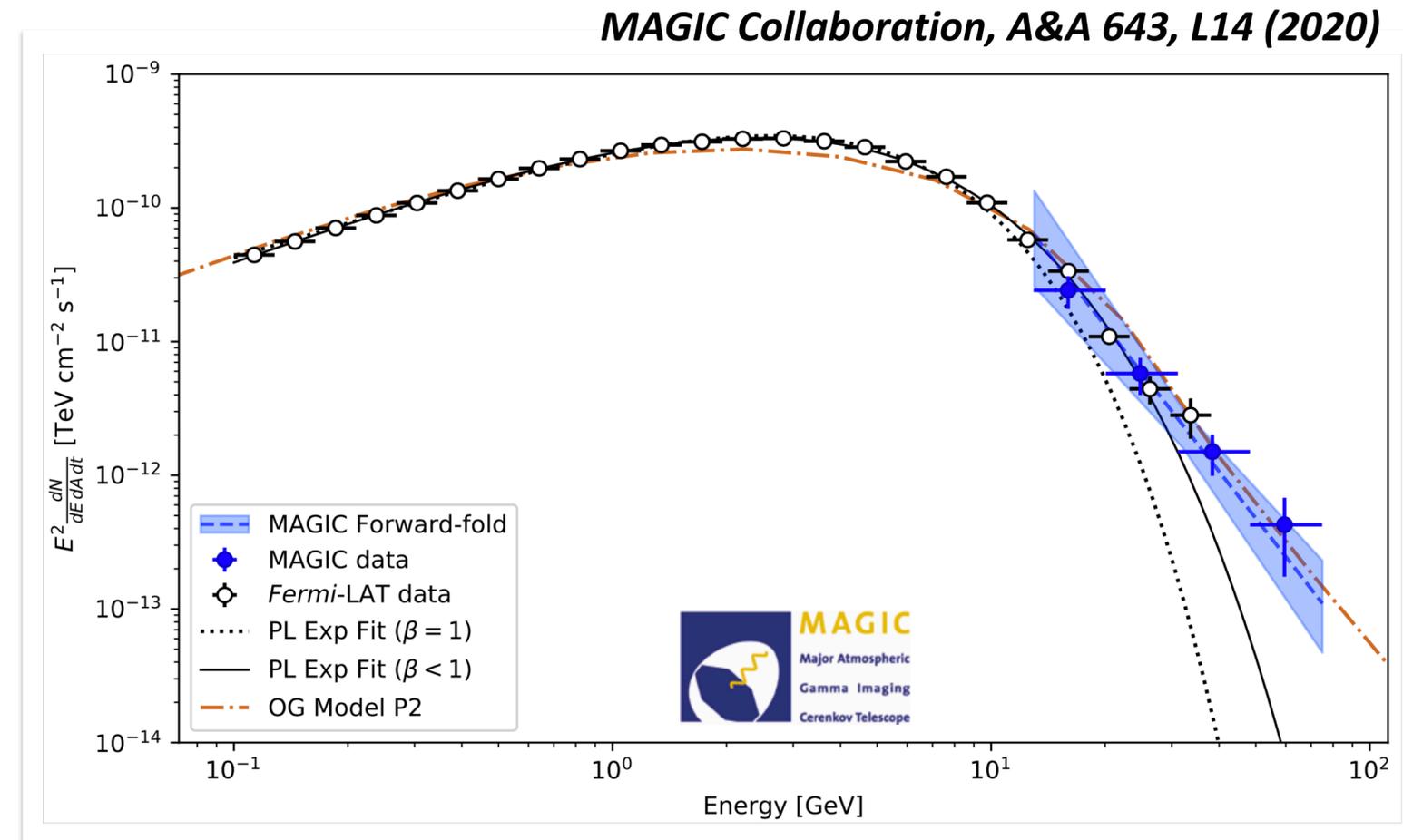
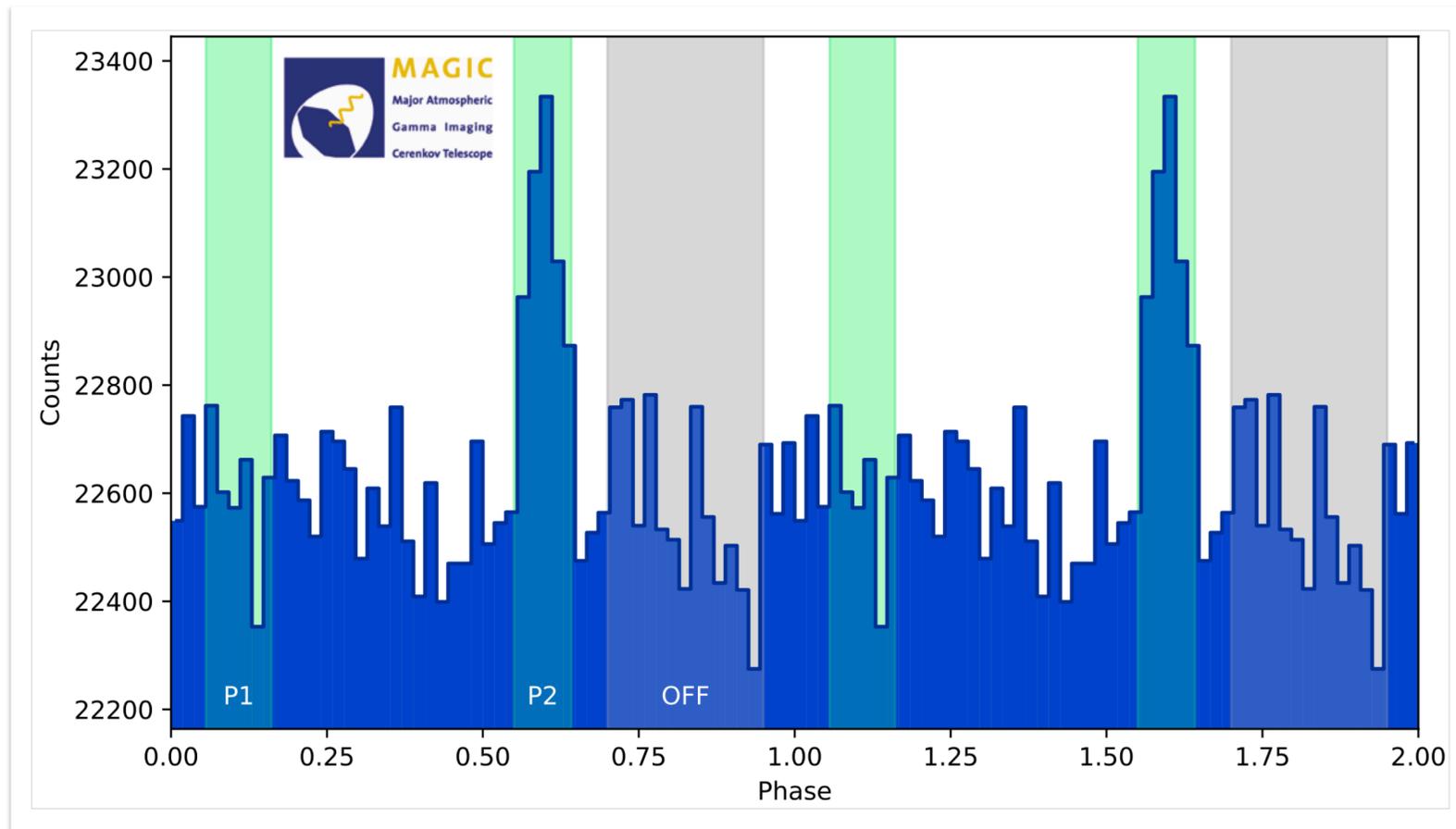


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# Geminga pulsar

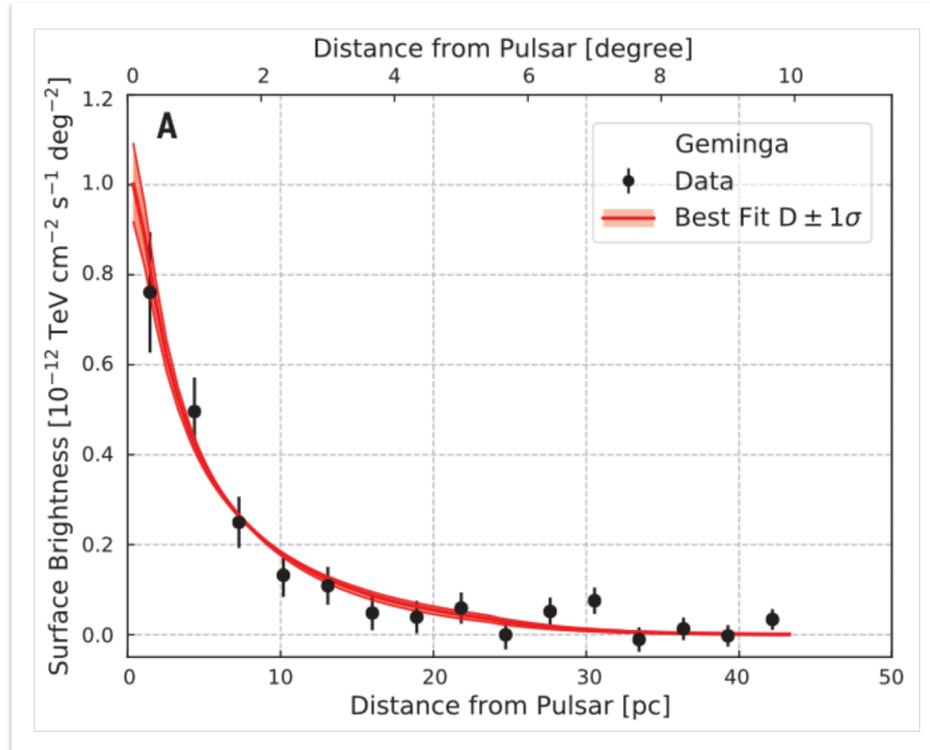
- 3<sup>rd</sup> pulsar detected from ground (after Crab & Vela)
- Detected up to 75 GeV with MAGIC
- Evidence for power-law tail beyond 15 GeV
- Spectral index  $5.6 \pm 0.5$  (!)



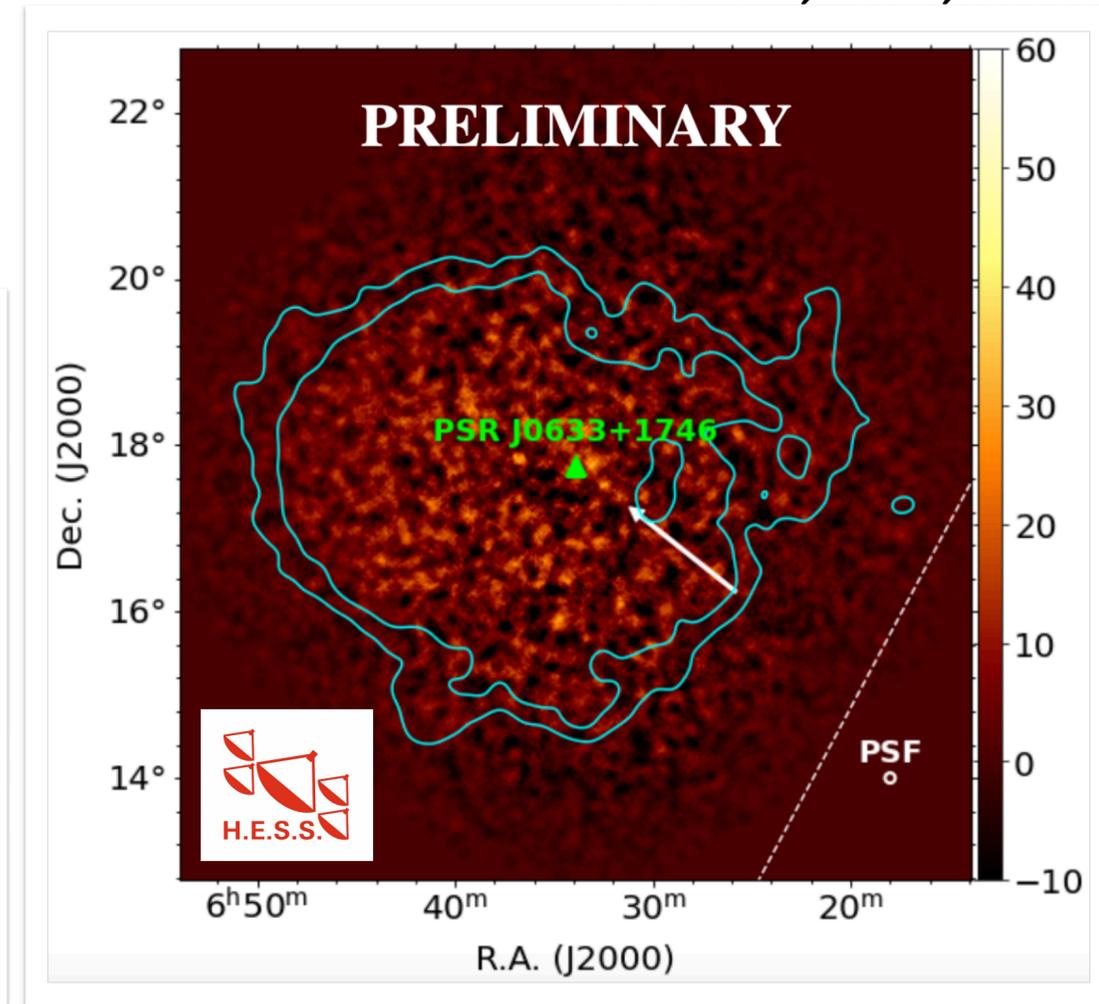
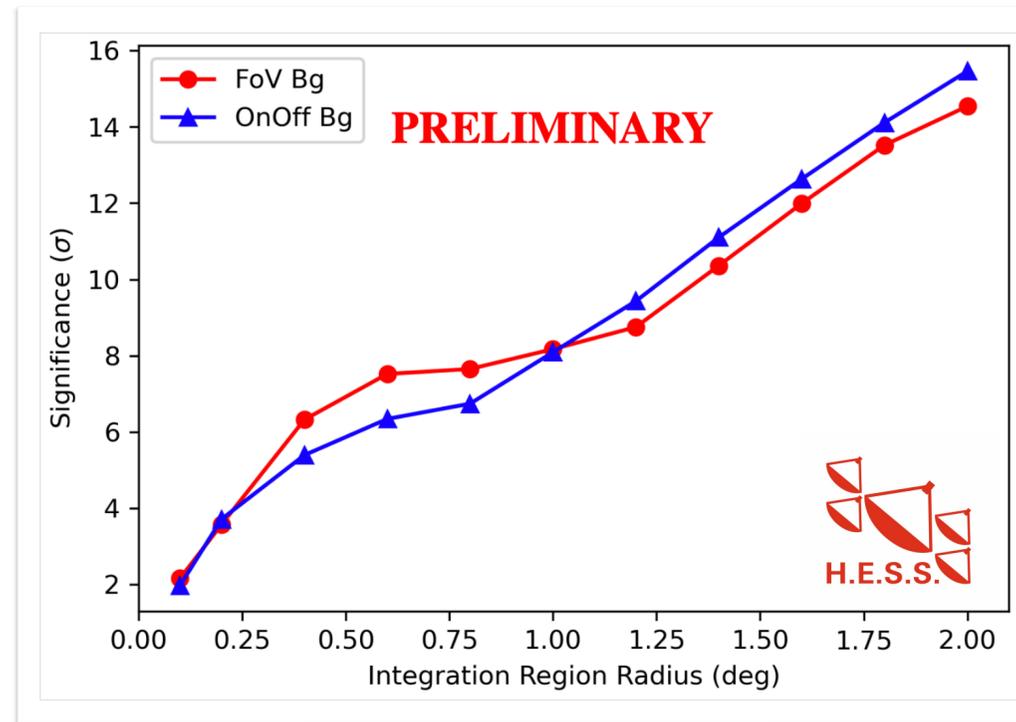
# Geminga PWN

- **Extremely** extended emission — reported in 2017 by HAWC
- Emission larger than typical IACT field of view → a real challenge!
- H.E.S.S. has reported detection at ICRC 2021

A. Mitchell et al. (for the H.E.S.S. Collaboration),  
ICRC 2021, Berlin, id. 780



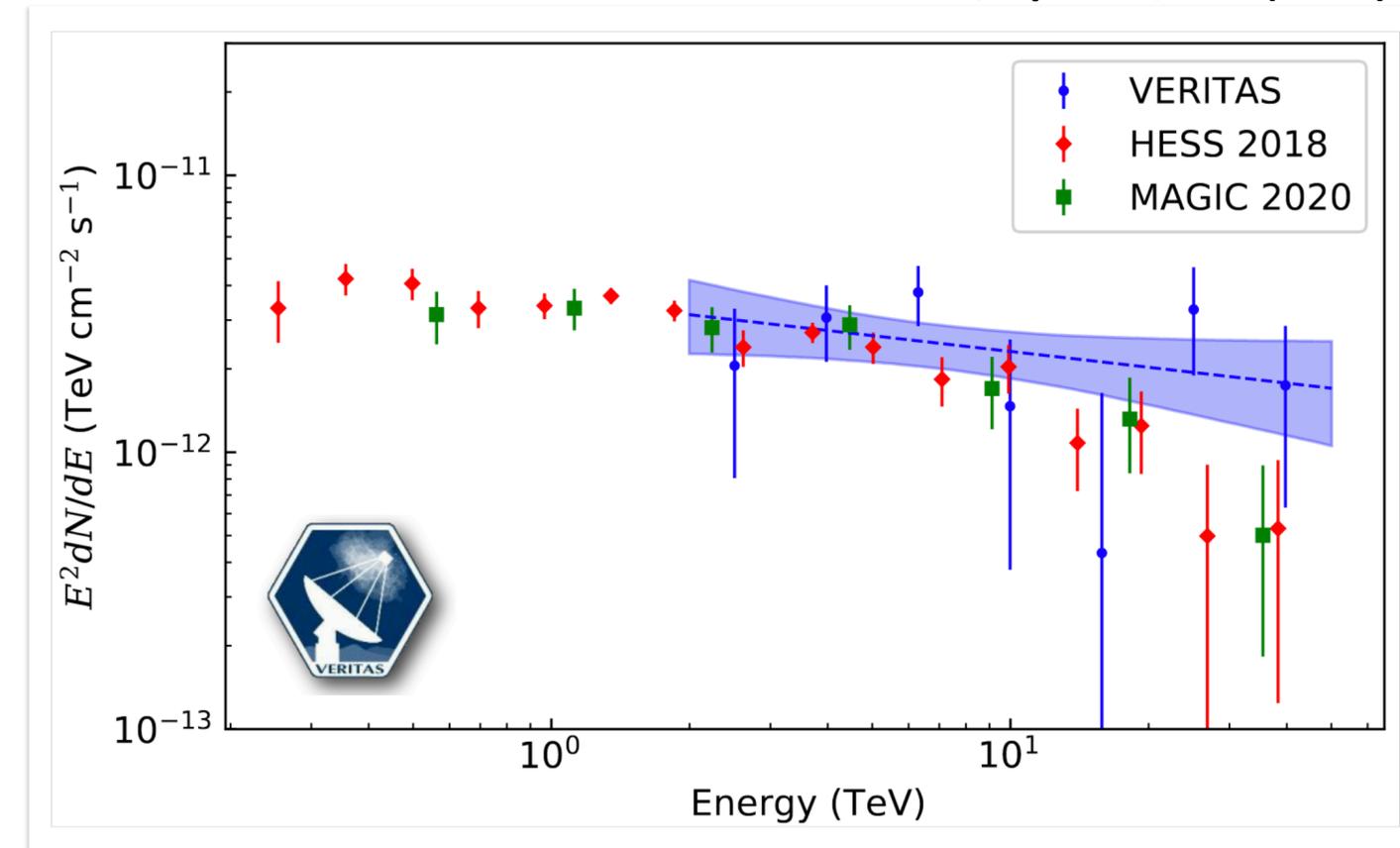
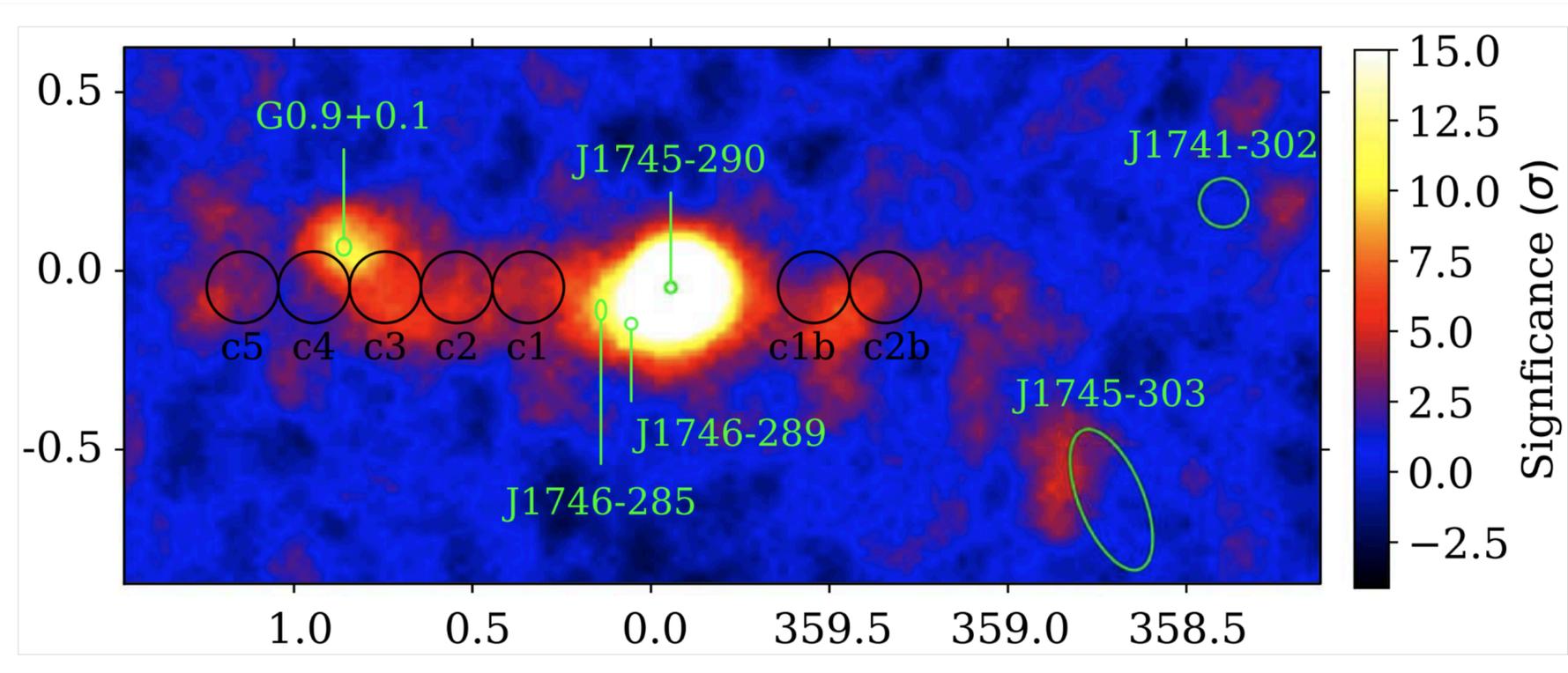
HAWC Collaboration, *Science* 358, 911 (2017)



# Galactic Centre

- Very detailed study by VERITAS
- Deep exposure: 125 hours
- **Observed at  $>60^\circ$  from zenith!**
- Spectrum of diffuse emission measured up to 40 TeV, with no sign for a cut-off

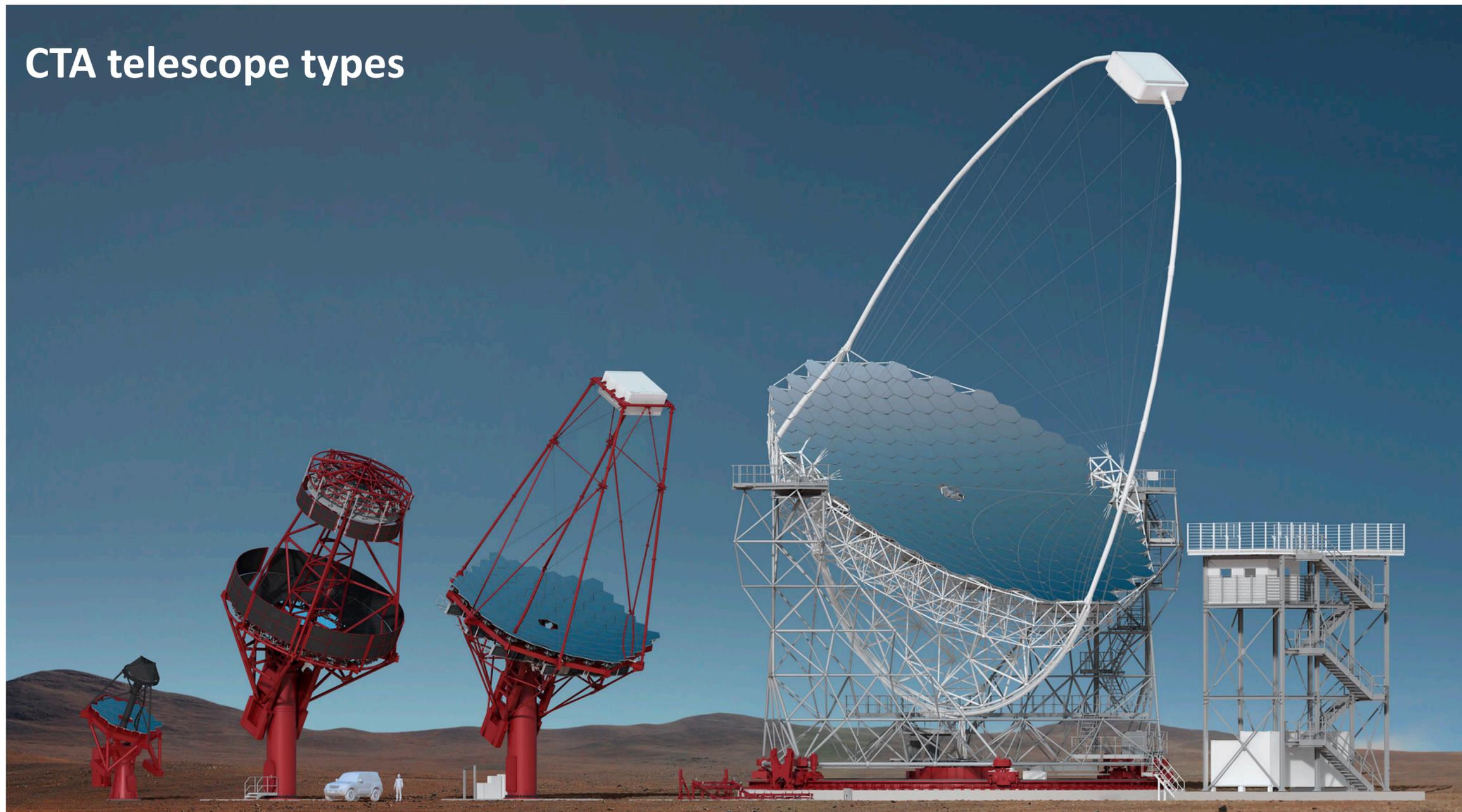
VERITAS Collaboration, ApJ 913, 115 (2021)



# Backup slides

# Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA)

CTA telescope types



SST  
(8m<sup>2</sup>)

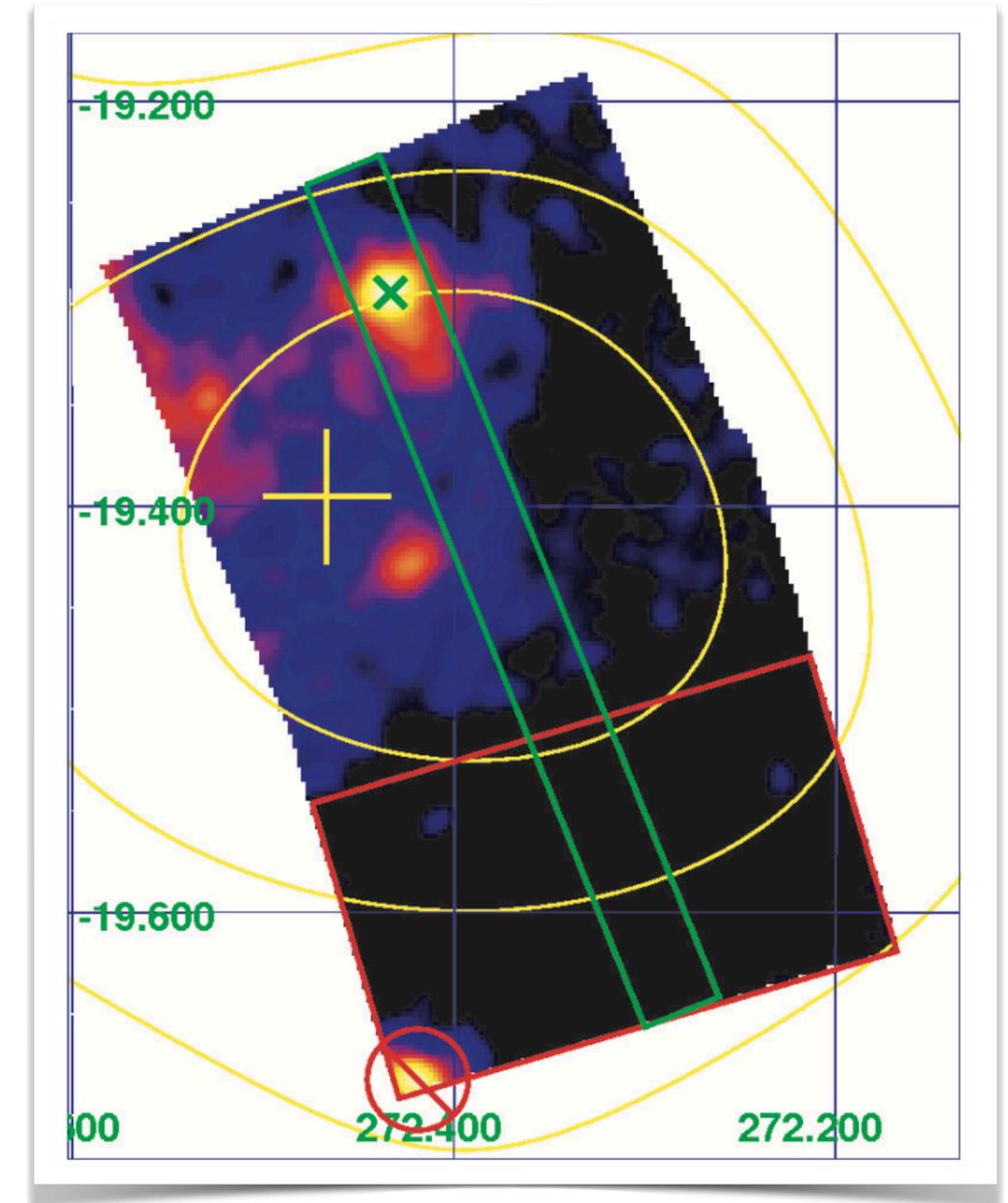
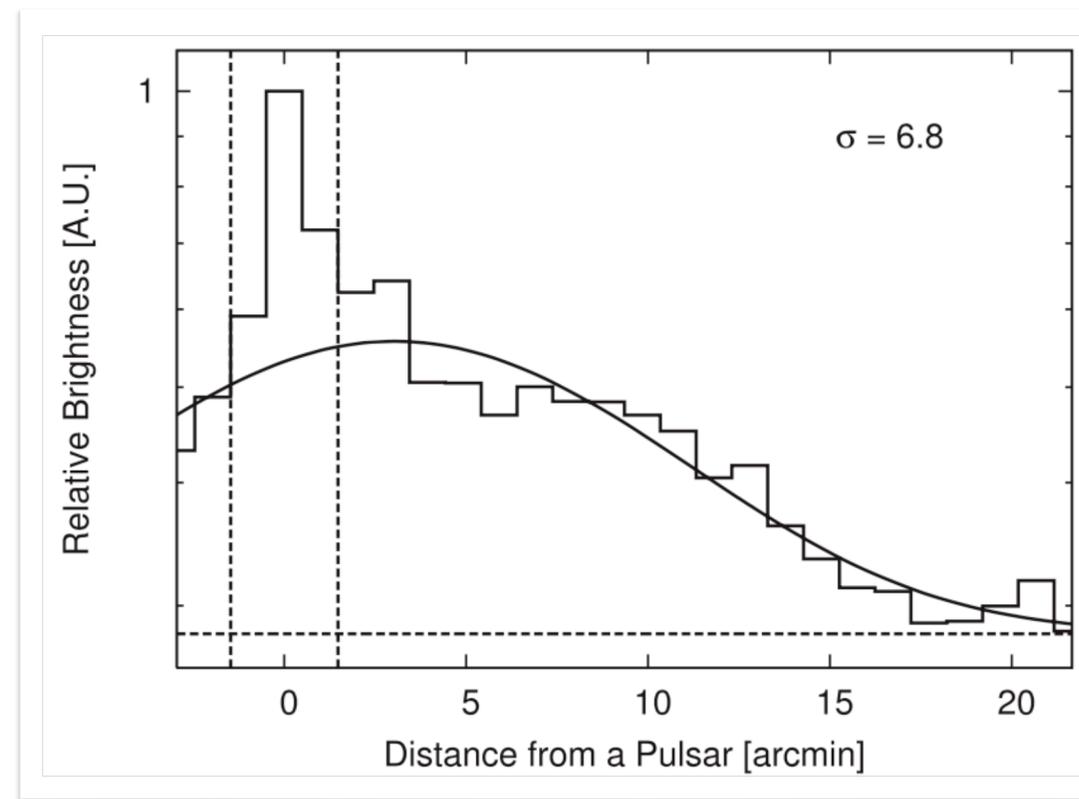
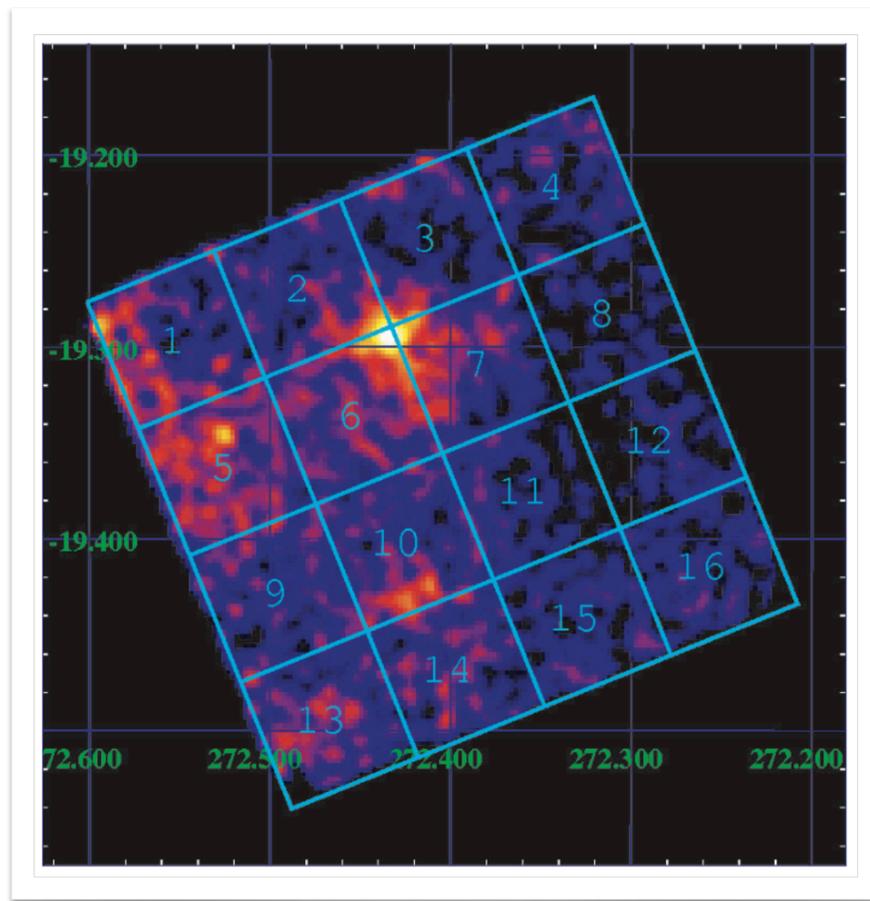
SCT  
(41m<sup>2</sup>)

MST  
(88m<sup>2</sup>)

LST  
(370m<sup>2</sup>)

# HESS J1809-193: Suzaku X-ray data

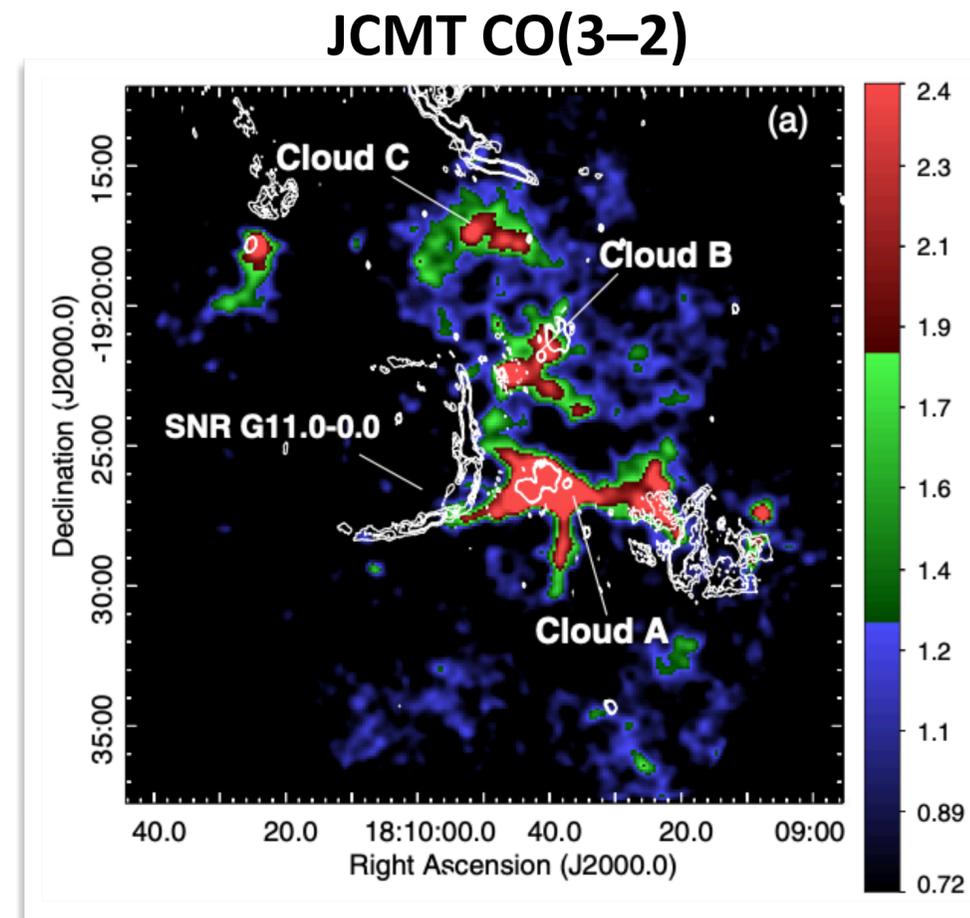
- Hard X-ray emission (2-10 keV)
- In immediate vicinity of PSR J1809–1917
- + diffuse emission around it



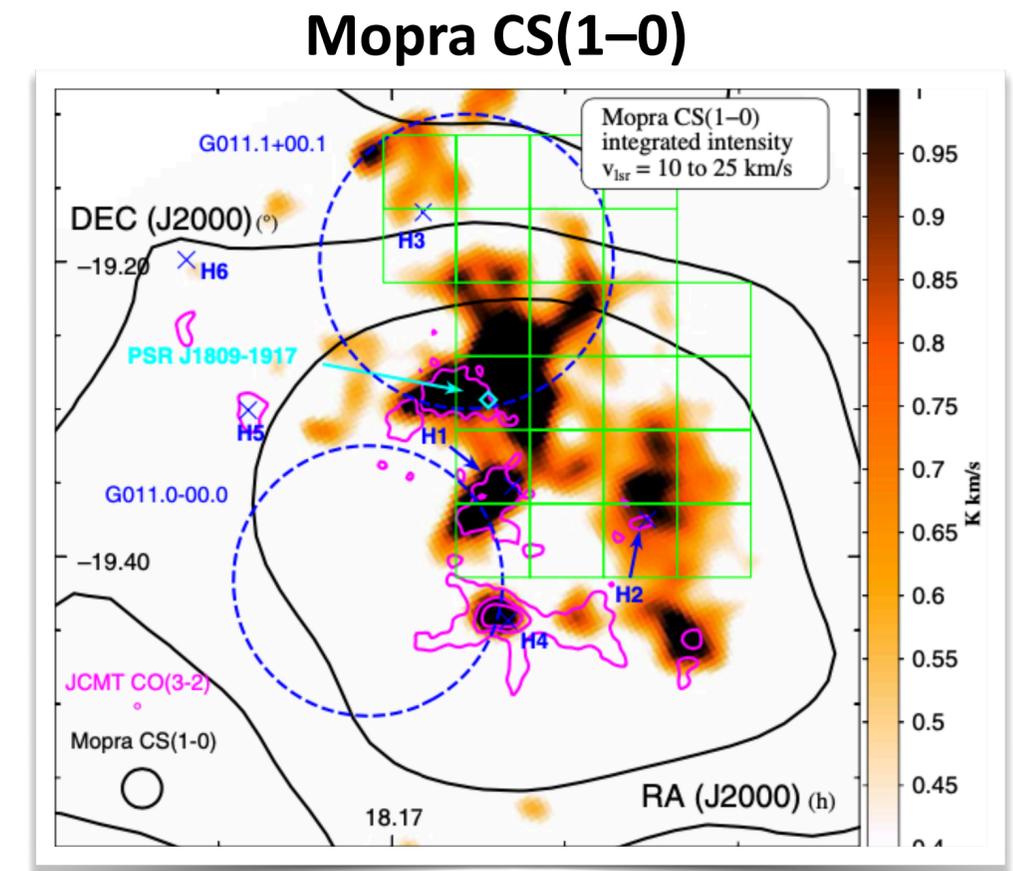
*Anada et al., PASJ 62, 179 (2010)*

# HESS J1809-193: molecular clouds

- Distance: about 3 kpc
- Compatible with SNR G011.0-00.0



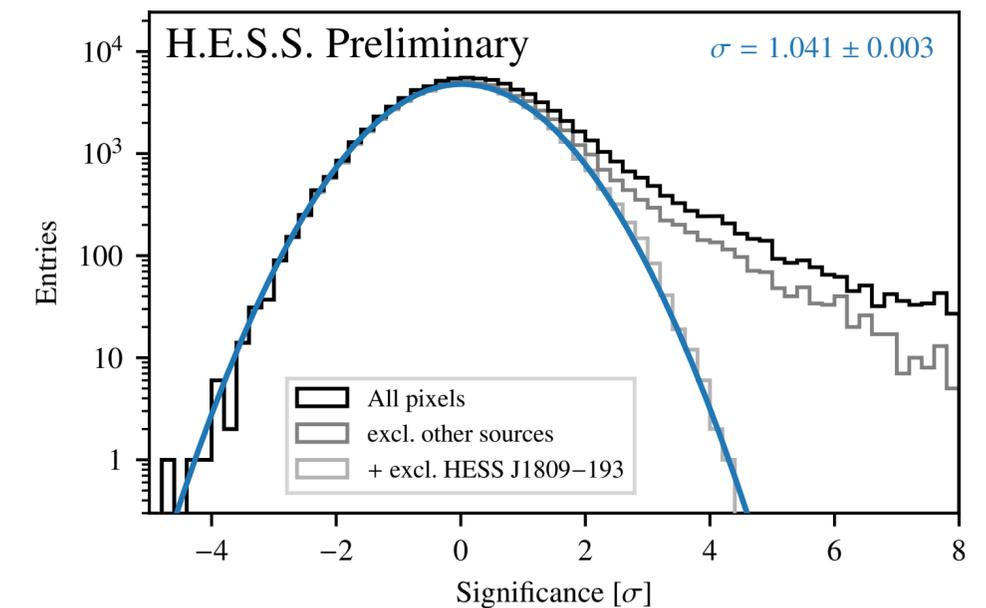
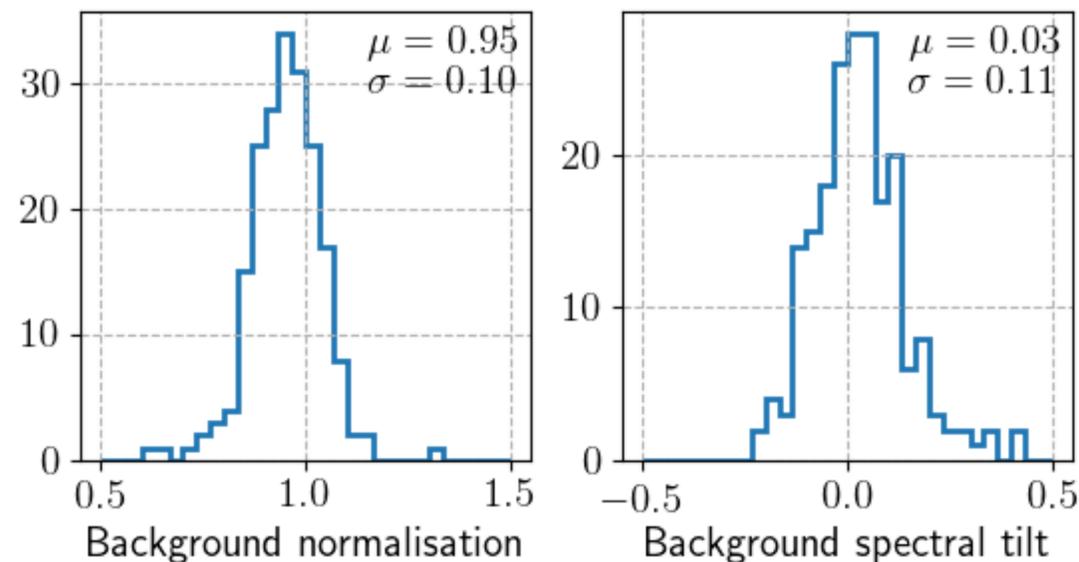
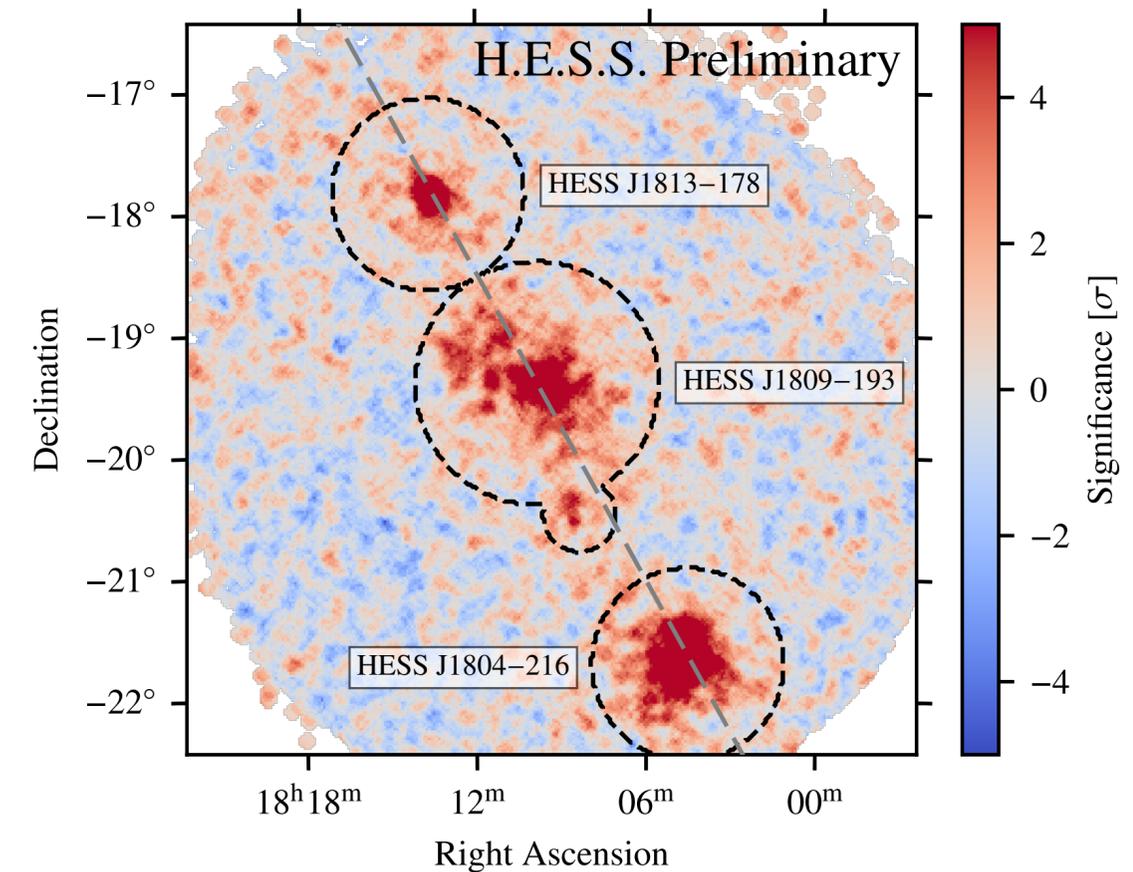
*Castelletti et al., A&A 587, A71 (2016)*



*Voisin et al., PASA 36, e014 (2019)*

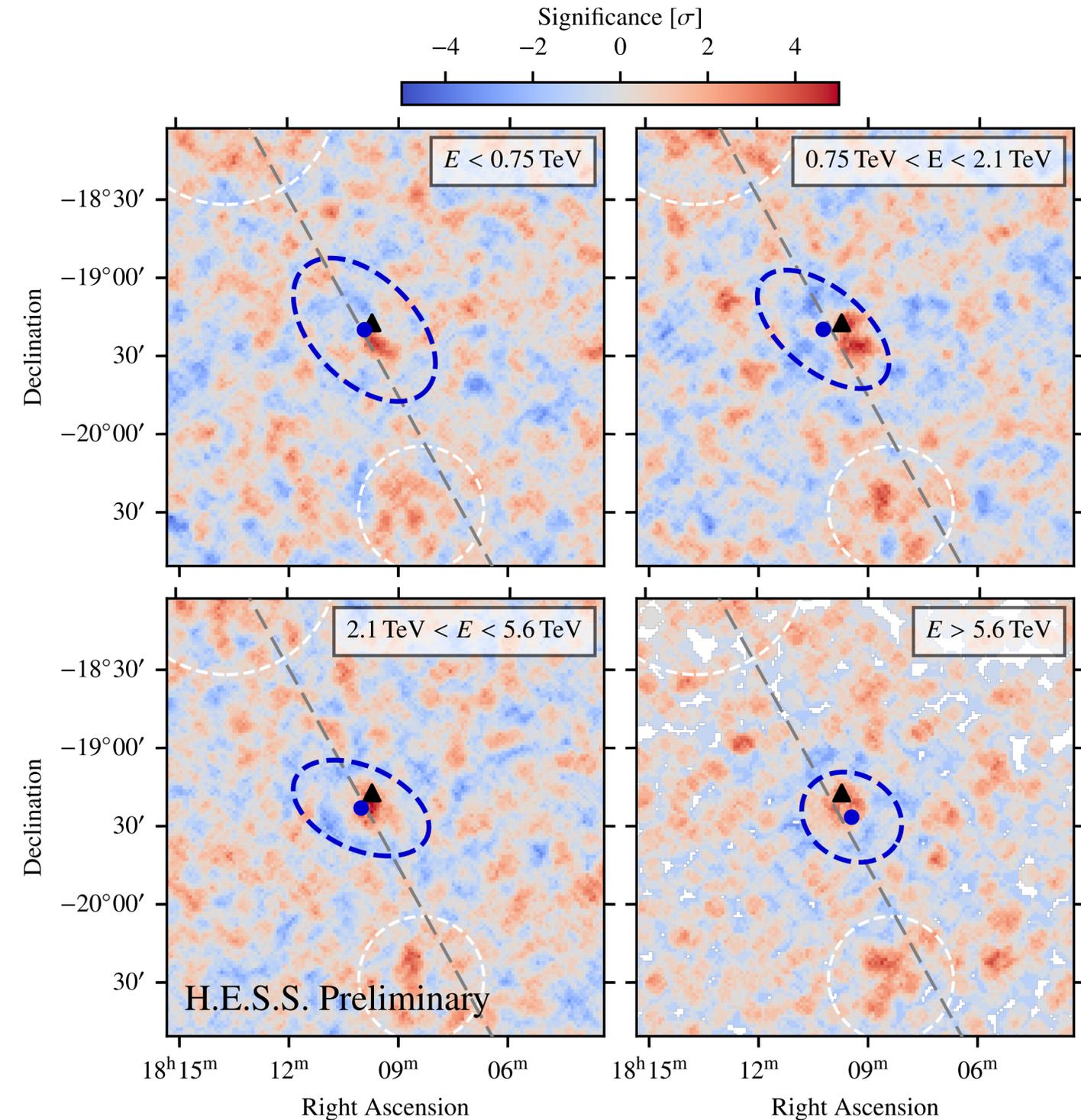
# HESS J1809-193: background model fit

- Background model adjusted to each observation run
  - ▶ Background normalisation (global scaling)
  - ▶ Background spectral tilt (factor  $(E/E_0)^{-\delta}$ )
- Distribution of significance map entries outside exclusion regions indicates good description of background



# HESS J1809-193: 1-component model in energy bands

- Would the 1-component model work if its spatial extent would be allowed to vary with energy?
- Re-performed fit in four (mutually exclusive) energy bands
  - ▶ spectral index fixed
- Still not a good description!



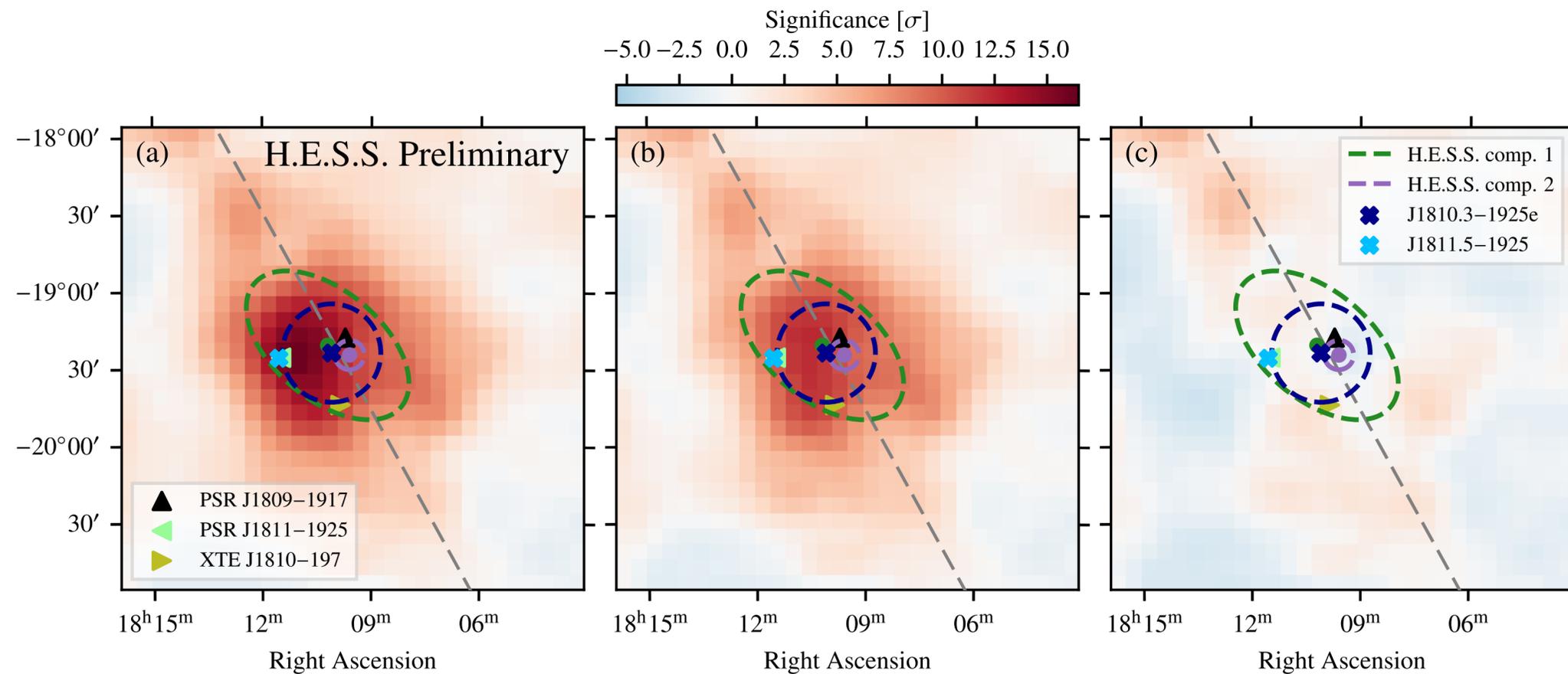
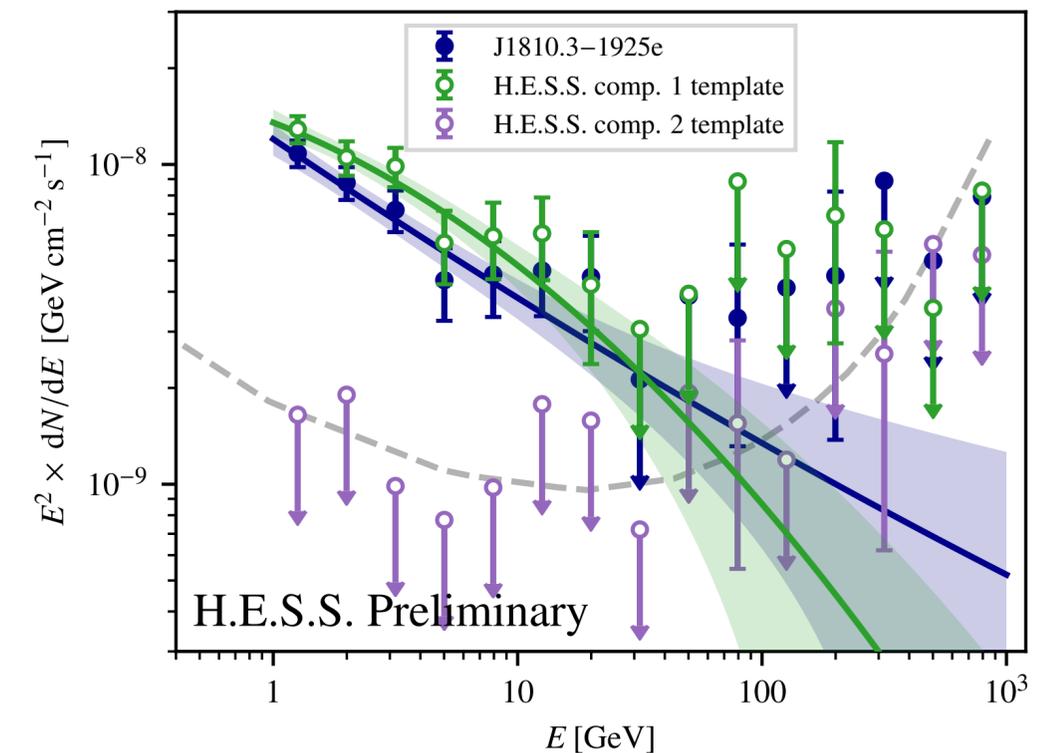
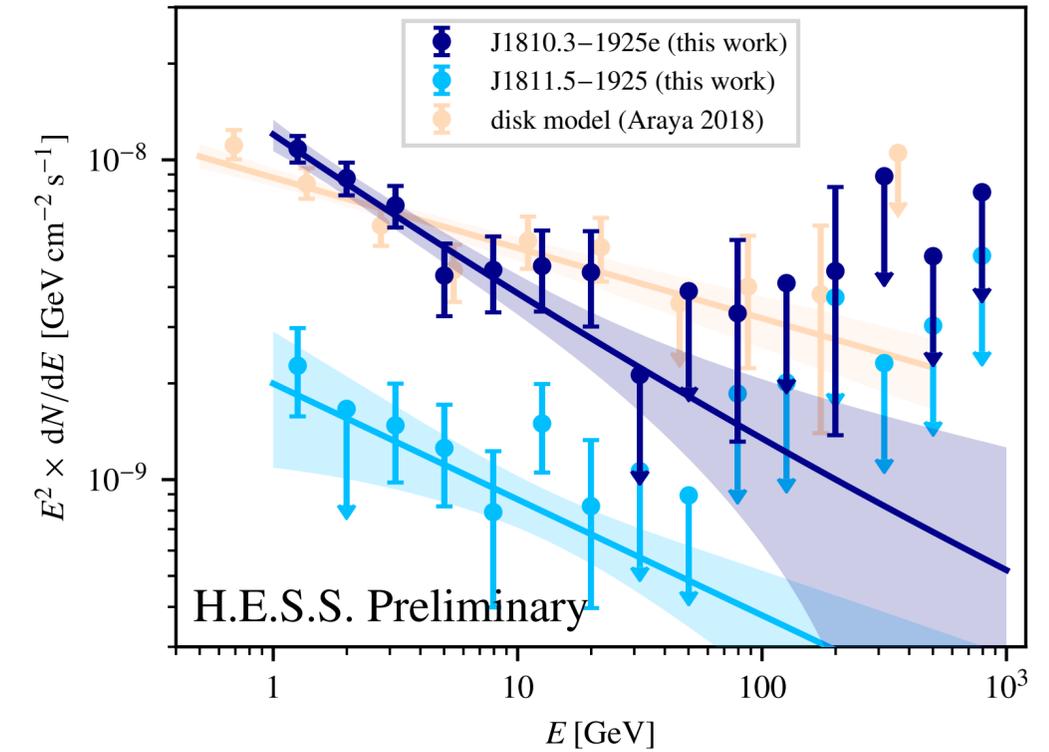
# HESS J1809-193: parameters of 2-component model

- Two different spectral models for component 1
  - ▶ PL = power law
  - ▶ ECPL = power law with exp. cut-off
  - ▶ ECPL model is preferred
  - ▶ Parameters of component 2 do not depend on this

Par. [unit]	Value
Component 1 (PL spectral model)	
R.A. [deg]	$272.551 \pm 0.025_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.018_{\text{sys}}$
Dec. [deg]	$-19.344 \pm 0.023_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.013_{\text{sys}}$
$\sigma$ [deg]	$0.622 \pm 0.032_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.020_{\text{sys}}$
$e$	$0.824 \pm 0.025_{\text{stat}}$
$\phi$ [deg]	$50.0 \pm 3.1_{\text{stat}}$
$N_0$ [ $10^{-12} \text{ TeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ]	$8.42 \pm 0.40_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.14_{\text{sys}}$
$\Gamma$	$2.239 \pm 0.027_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.020_{\text{sys}}$
$E_0$ [TeV]	1 (fixed)
Component 1 (ECPL spectral model)	
R.A. [deg]	$272.554 \pm 0.025_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.019_{\text{sys}}$
Dec. [deg]	$-19.344 \pm 0.021_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.012_{\text{sys}}$
$\sigma$ [deg]	$0.613 \pm 0.031_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.015_{\text{sys}}$
$e$	$0.820 \pm 0.025_{\text{stat}}$
$\phi$ [deg]	$51.3 \pm 3.1_{\text{stat}}$
$N_0$ [ $10^{-12} \text{ TeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ]	$9.05 \pm 0.47_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.91_{\text{sys}}$
$\Gamma$	$1.90 \pm 0.05_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.05_{\text{sys}}$
$E_c$ [TeV]	$12.7^{+2.7}_{-2.1} _{\text{stat}} \quad ^{+2.6}_{-1.9} _{\text{sys}}$
$E_0$ [TeV]	1 (fixed)
Component 2	
R.A. [deg]	$272.400 \pm 0.010_{\text{stat}}$
Dec. [deg]	$-19.406 \pm 0.009_{\text{stat}}$
$\sigma$ [deg]	$0.0953 \pm 0.0072_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0034_{\text{sys}}$
$N_0$ [ $10^{-12} \text{ TeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ]	$0.95 \pm 0.11_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.011_{\text{sys}}$
$\Gamma$	$1.98 \pm 0.05_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.03_{\text{sys}}$
$E_0$ [TeV]	1 (fixed)

# HESS J1809-193: *Fermi*-LAT analysis

- Found same best-fit models as in 4FGL catalog
- J1811.5-1925
  - ▶ Point source, associated with PSR J1811-1925
- J1810.3-1925e
  - ▶ Extended source, shape similar to component 1 of HESS J1809-193



# Interpretation: PWN model

- Time-dependent modelling with GAMERA

*Hahn, ICRC2015, id. 917*

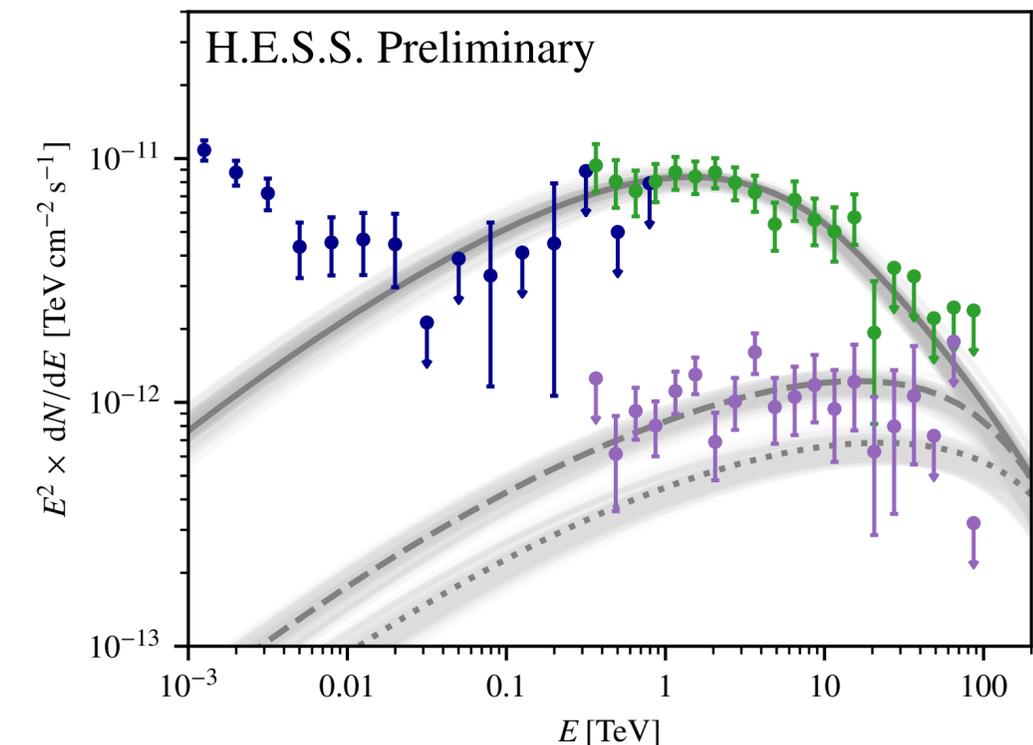
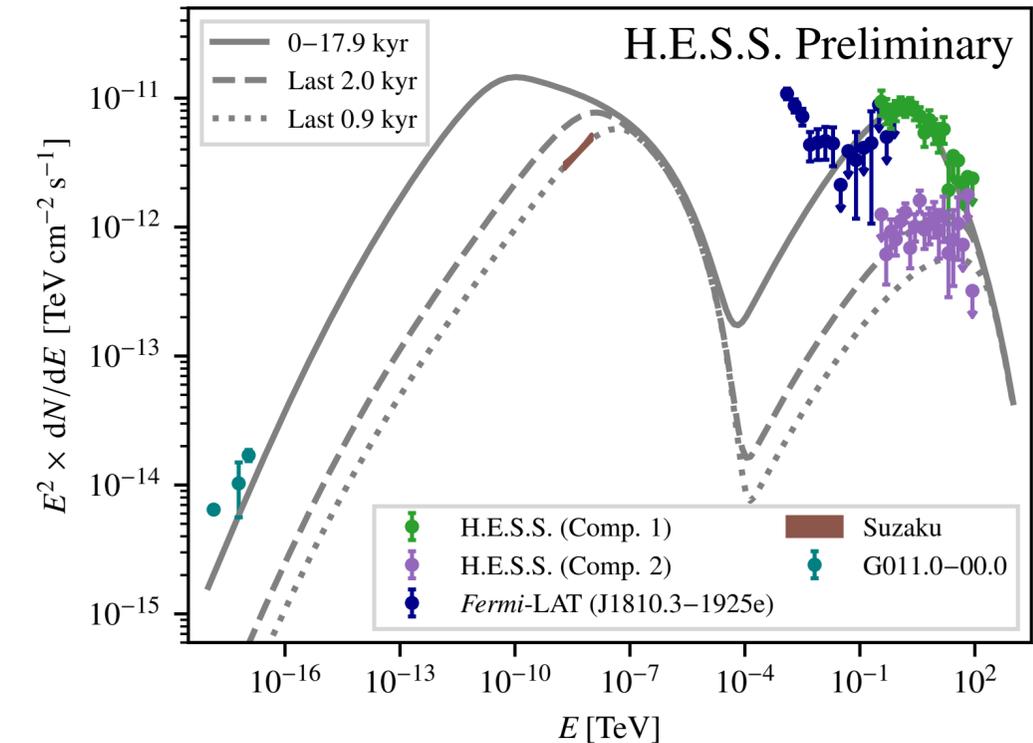
- 3 “generations” of electrons

- ▶ halo of “relic” electrons (20 kyr) → **Component 1**
- ▶ medium-aged electrons (< 2 kyr) → **Component 2**
- ▶ youngest electrons (< 0.9 kyr) → **X-ray PWN**

- Model works well for X-ray and H.E.S.S. data

- Fermi-LAT data below 10 GeV unexplained

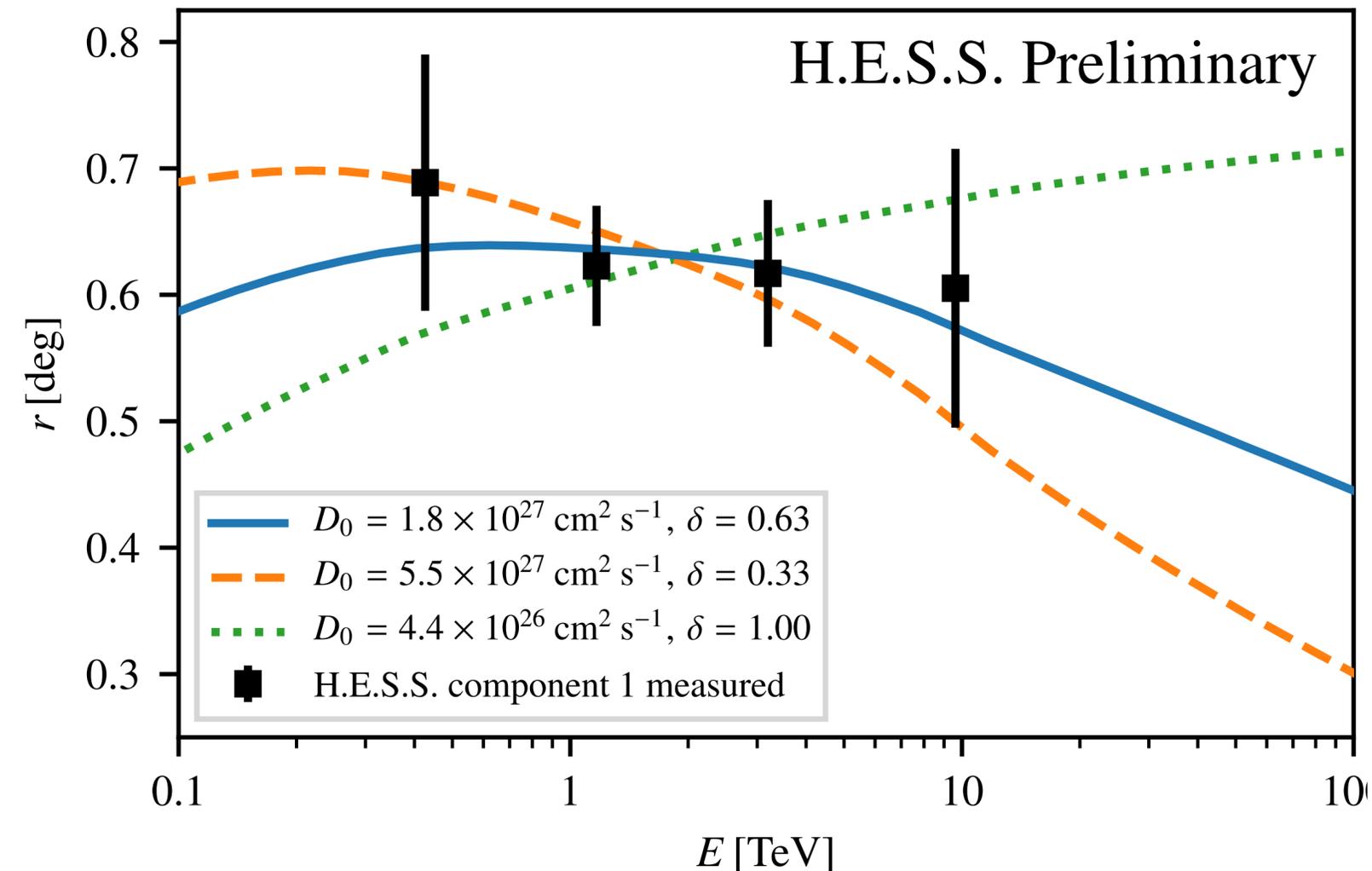
- ▶ connection to H.E.S.S. components not straightforward



# HESS J1809-193: PWN model – spatial extent

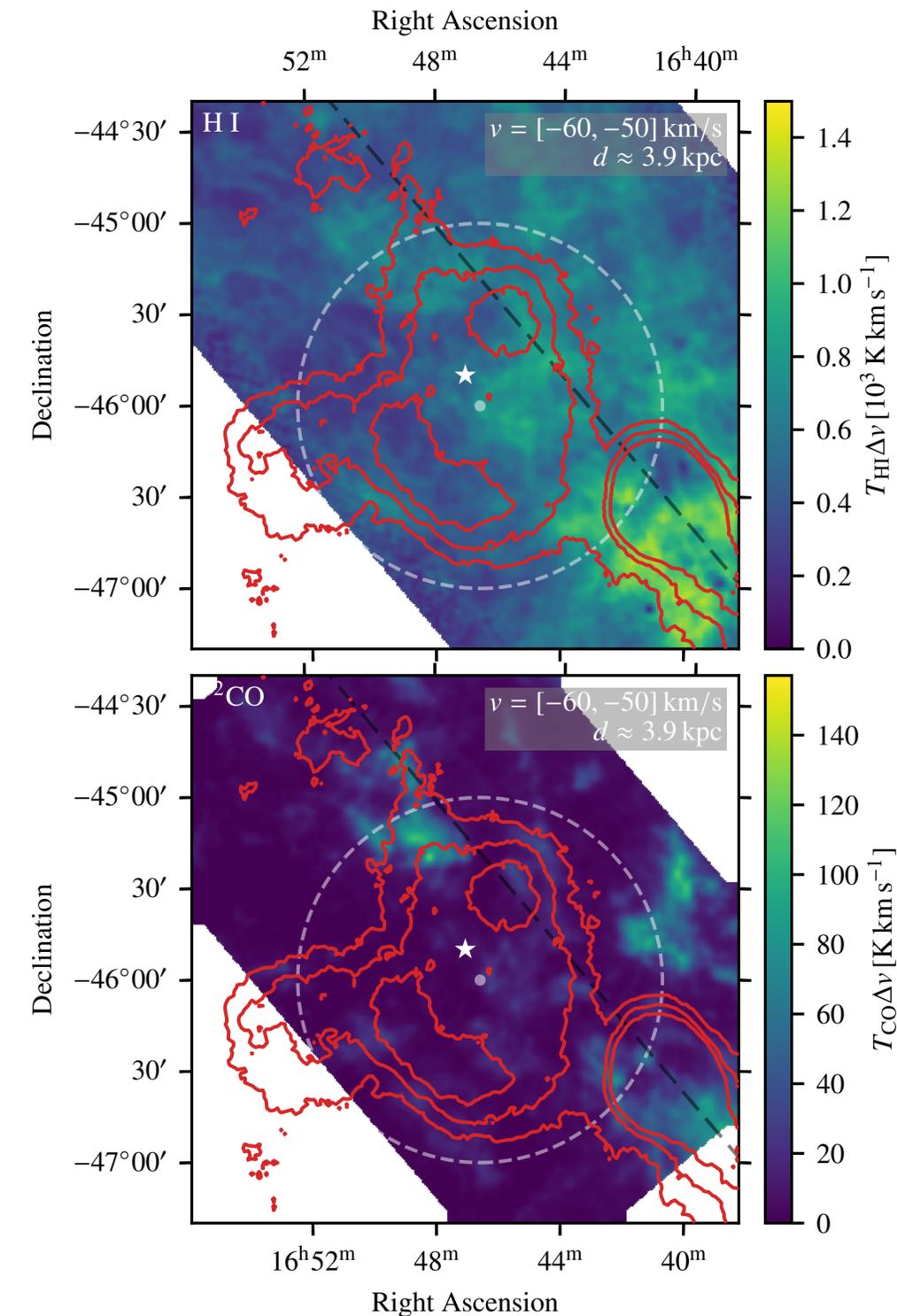
## Size of extended H.E.S.S. component

- ▶ assume “relic” electrons started diffusing 20 kyr ago (age of system)
- ▶ compute expected size of halo as a function of gamma-ray energy
- ▶ compare with measured size
- ▶ good agreement for  $D_0 \sim 2 \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$   
→ a reasonable value!



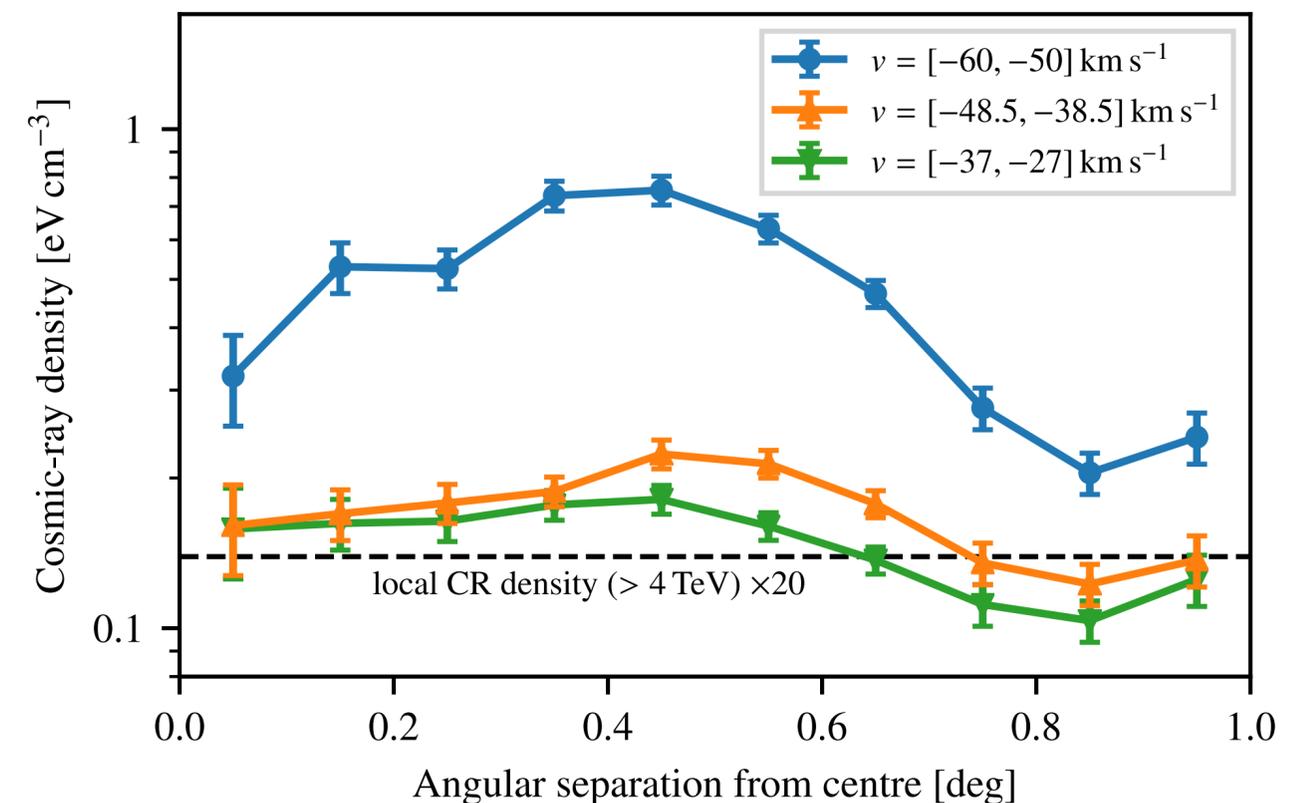
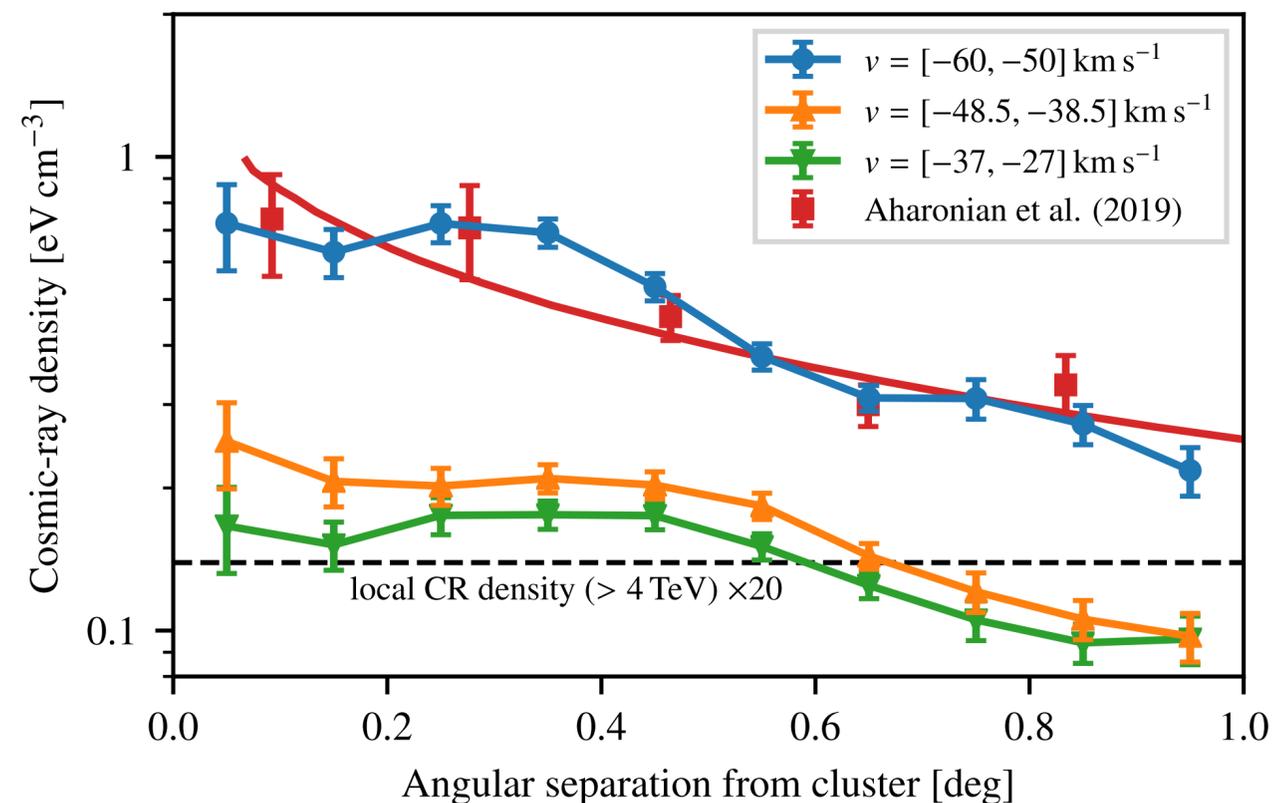
# Westerlund 1: gas maps

- Hadronic scenario: need target material for interactions
- H I line emission from SGPS survey *McClure-Griffiths et al., ApJS 158, 178 (2005)*
  - ▶ indicates atomic hydrogen
- CO line emission from Mopra telescope *Braiding et al., PASA 35, e029 (2018)*
  - ▶ traces molecular hydrogen
- **Low** gas density in regions of bright gamma-ray emission
- Challenge for hadronic scenario
  - ▶ but there could be “CO-dark”, e.g. due to photodissociation



# Westerlund 1: cosmic-ray density profiles

- Assume gamma-ray emission is fully hadronic  
→ infer cosmic-ray density using gas maps
- Profile w.r.t. cluster position compatible with Aharonian et al. (2019)
- Profile w.r.t. centroid of gamma-ray emission not peaked towards centre

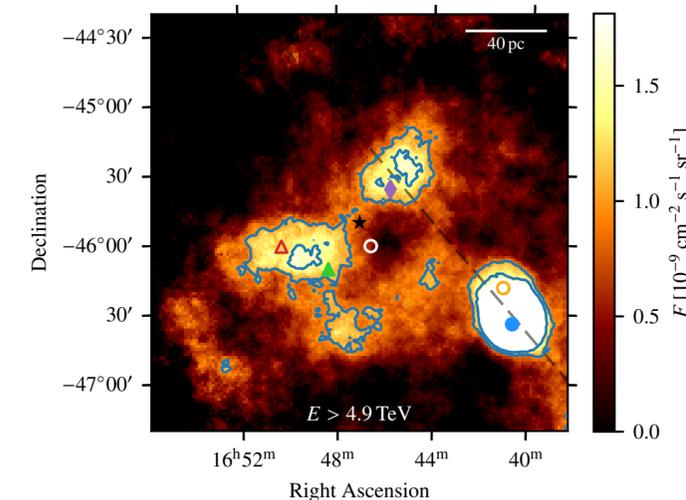
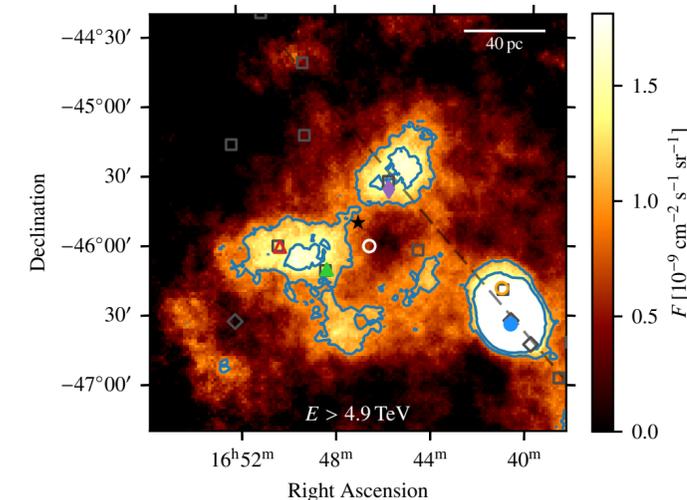
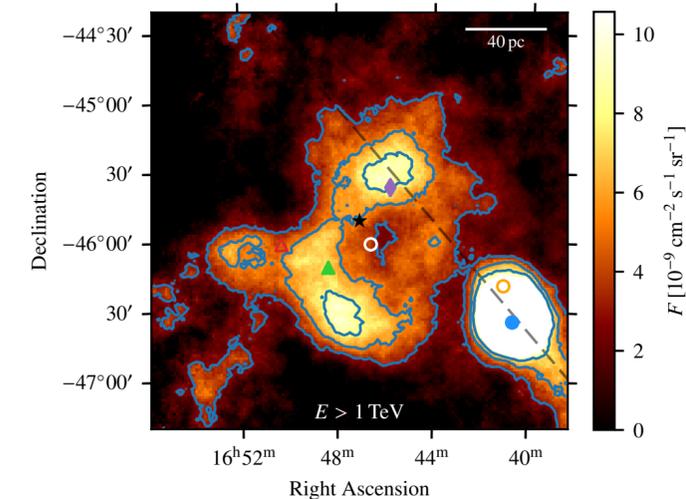
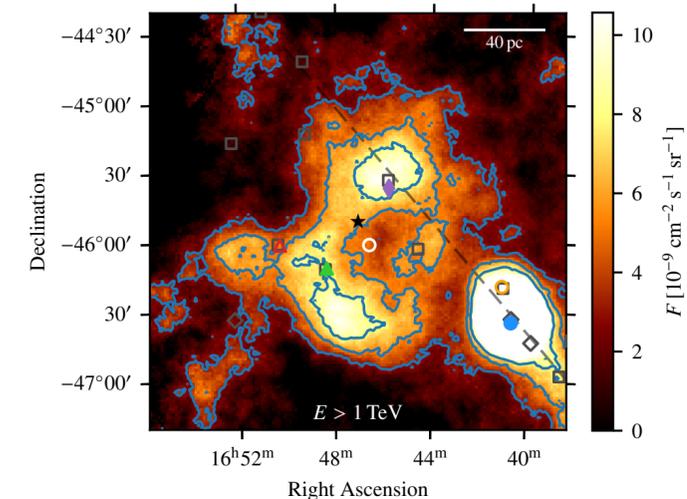
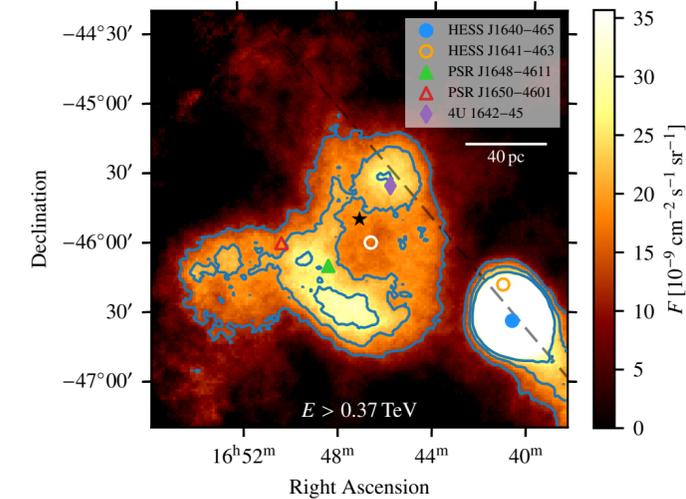
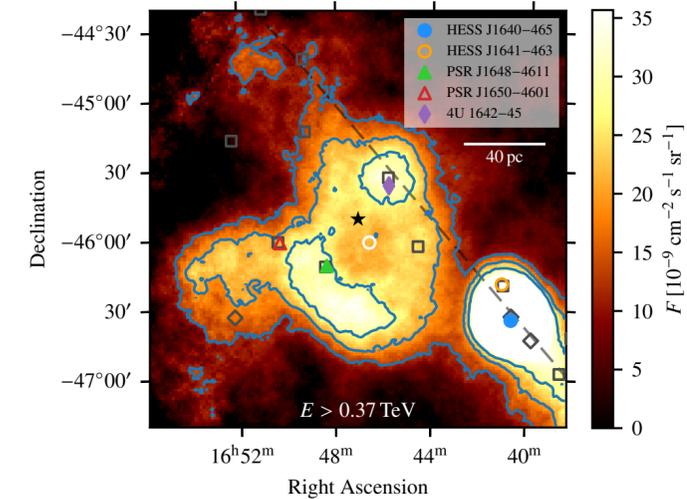
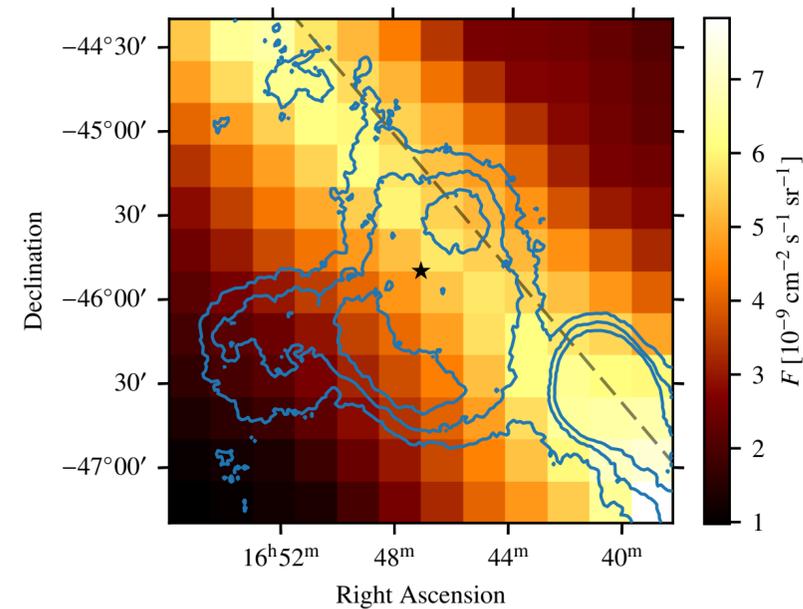


# Westerlund 1: galactic diffuse emission

- Likely contributes to emission, but is difficult to estimate

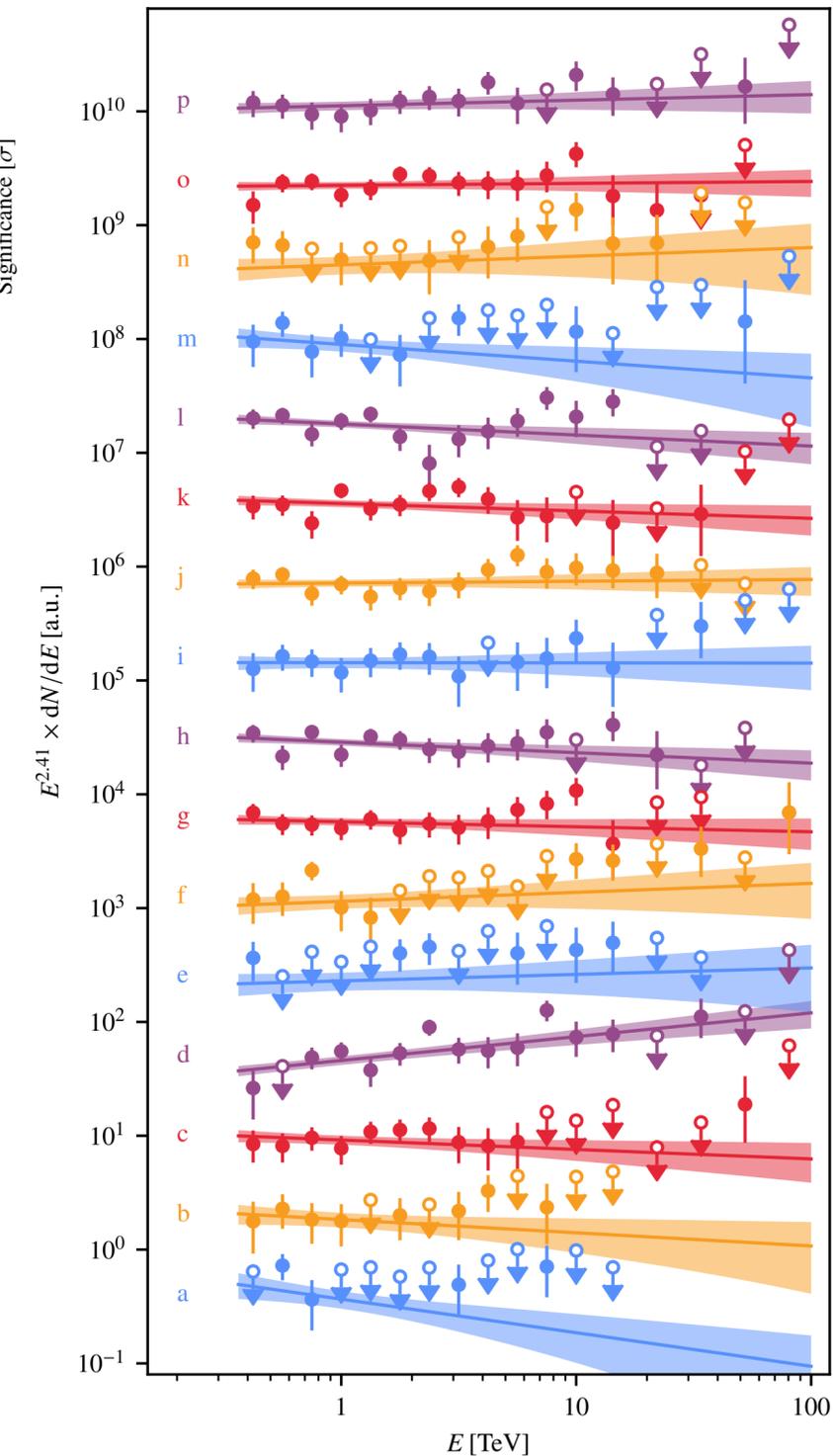
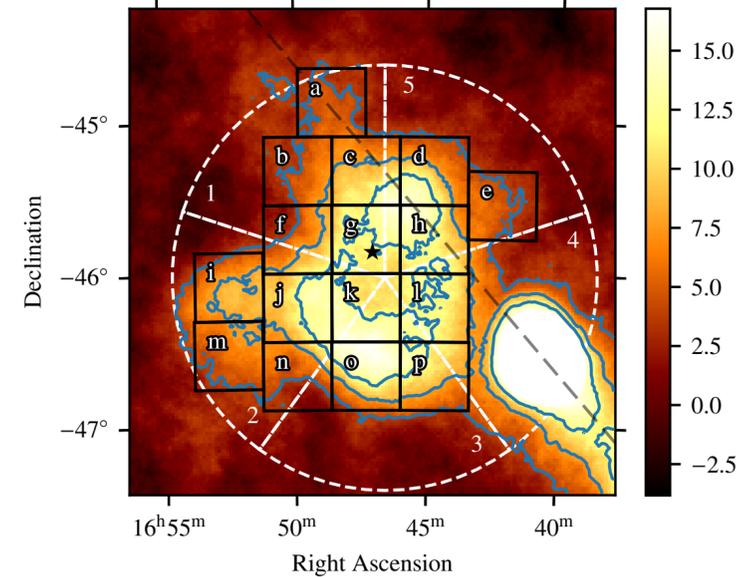
*Kissmann, Astropart. Phys. 55, 37 (2014)*

- Use prediction from PICARD propagation code
- Absolute flux level is very uncertain!
- Shell-like structure not affected



# Westerlund 1: signal region energy spectra

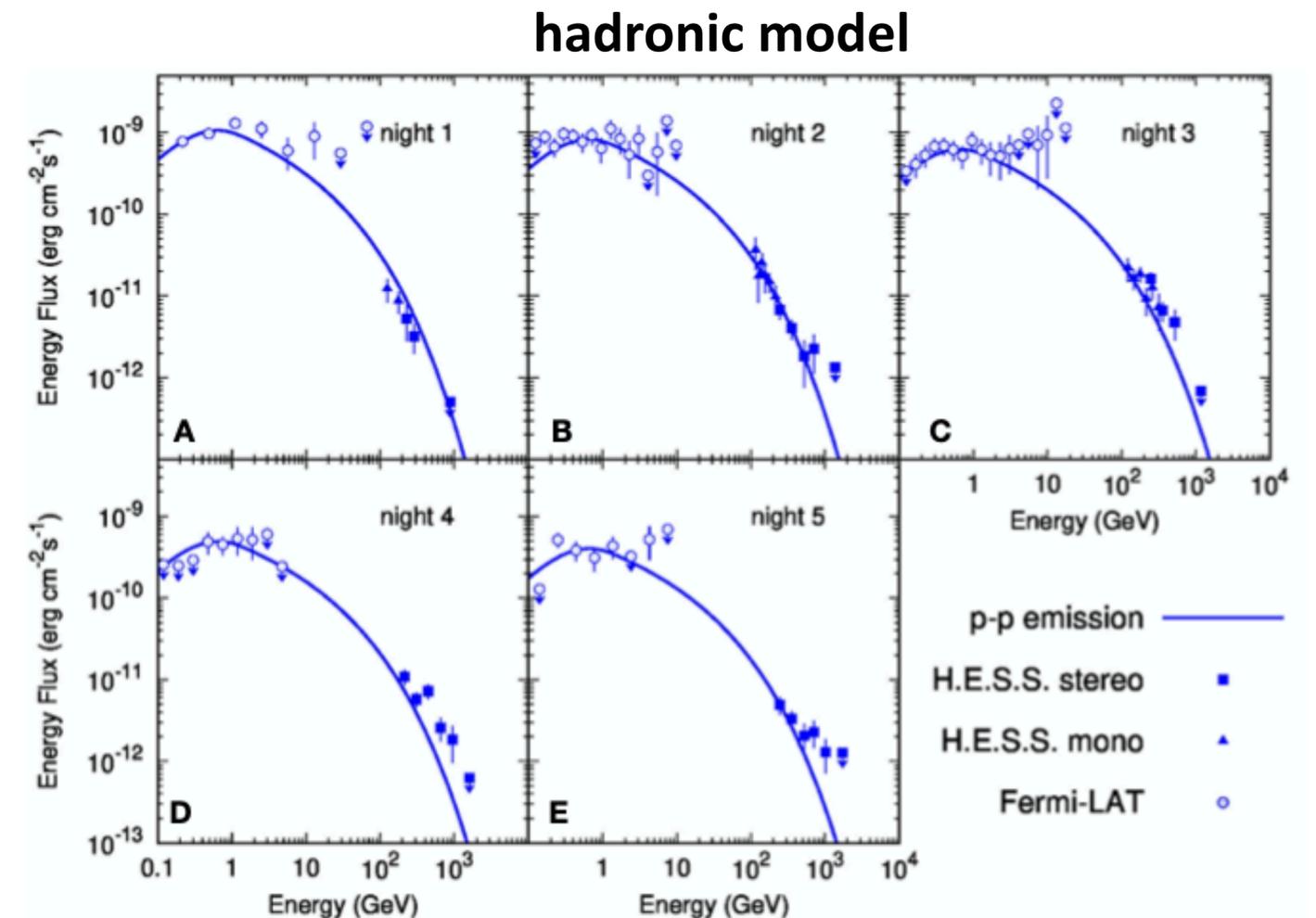
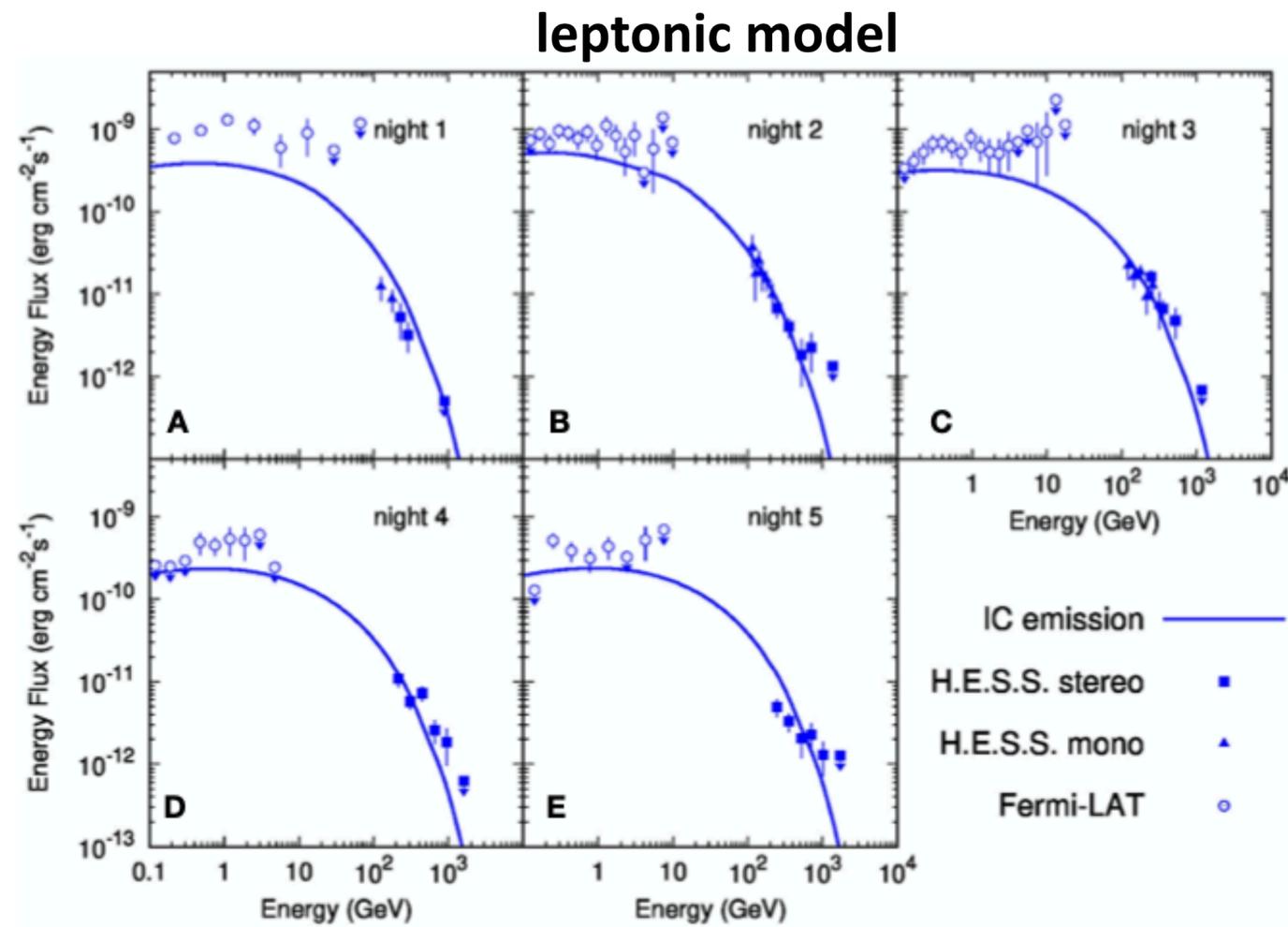
- Very similar in all regions
- Only significant deviation: region “d”



Signal region	Excess events	Significance	Significance ( $E > 4.9$ TeV)	$\phi_0$ ( $10^{-13} \text{ TeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	$\Gamma$	$\sqrt{\Delta\text{TS}}$
a	396.1	$5.3\sigma$	$0.9\sigma$	$3.76 \pm 0.66$	$2.71 \pm 0.18$	5.9
b	454.9	$5.6\sigma$	$1.7\sigma$	$4.34 \pm 0.64$	$2.53 \pm 0.13$	7.5
c	901.8	$10.3\sigma$	$2.8\sigma$	$6.33 \pm 0.58$	$2.49 \pm 0.08$	12.3
d	1014.0	$10.8\sigma$	$7.7\sigma$	$6.66 \pm 0.58$	$2.20 \pm 0.06$	16.1
e	430.7	$4.7\sigma$	$2.9\sigma$	$2.84 \pm 0.51$	$2.35 \pm 0.12$	6.7
f	648.9	$7.7\sigma$	$4.0\sigma$	$4.60 \pm 0.64$	$2.33 \pm 0.11$	10.0
g	1238.5	$13.5\sigma$	$6.0\sigma$	$7.41 \pm 0.54$	$2.45 \pm 0.07$	16.1
h	1409.2	$14.5\sigma$	$4.6\sigma$	$8.14 \pm 0.54$	$2.50 \pm 0.06$	17.3
i	653.4	$9.0\sigma$	$4.0\sigma$	$6.65 \pm 0.71$	$2.41 \pm 0.09$	11.4
j	1229.0	$14.0\sigma$	$6.8\sigma$	$9.07 \pm 0.63$	$2.39 \pm 0.06$	17.7
k	1246.4	$13.2\sigma$	$3.6\sigma$	$7.73 \pm 0.54$	$2.48 \pm 0.06$	16.5
l	1405.7	$14.1\sigma$	$6.3\sigma$	$7.95 \pm 0.54$	$2.51 \pm 0.06$	16.9
m	469.5	$6.8\sigma$	$1.7\sigma$	$5.40 \pm 0.73$	$2.56 \pm 0.13$	8.2
n	415.4	$5.1\sigma$	$3.5\sigma$	$3.49 \pm 0.62$	$2.33 \pm 0.13$	7.4
o	1259.2	$14.1\sigma$	$5.9\sigma$	$8.23 \pm 0.57$	$2.39 \pm 0.06$	17.7
p	996.7	$10.5\sigma$	$4.0\sigma$	$6.29 \pm 0.55$	$2.36 \pm 0.07$	14.7

# Nova RS Ophiuchi

- H.E.S.S. leptonic and hadronic model fits
- Clear preference for hadronic model



*H.E.S.S. Collaboration, Science 376, 77 (2022)*