

Galactic Science with CTA

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Foreword



- Presentation based on the Consortium program
 - Organised in Key Science Projects (KSP)
- Present Scenario: 40-50% of obs. time in first 10 years
 - ~40% of total time for galactic KSPs
 - The rest: Extragalactic, dark matter, transients
- KSP criteria
 - Excellent scientific case
 - Production of legacy data-sets to a wider community
 - Clear added value of doing this as a KSP
 - Too many hours for a Guest Observer;
 - Coherent approach across multiple targets or pointings;
 - Technical difficulty (consortium expertise).
- Scenario to be optimised with time

The telescope arrays



E < 100 GeV 4 LST

> Ø 23m 4.5° FoV

0.1 - 10 TeV 25 (15) MST

Ø 9-12 m >7° FoV

South only

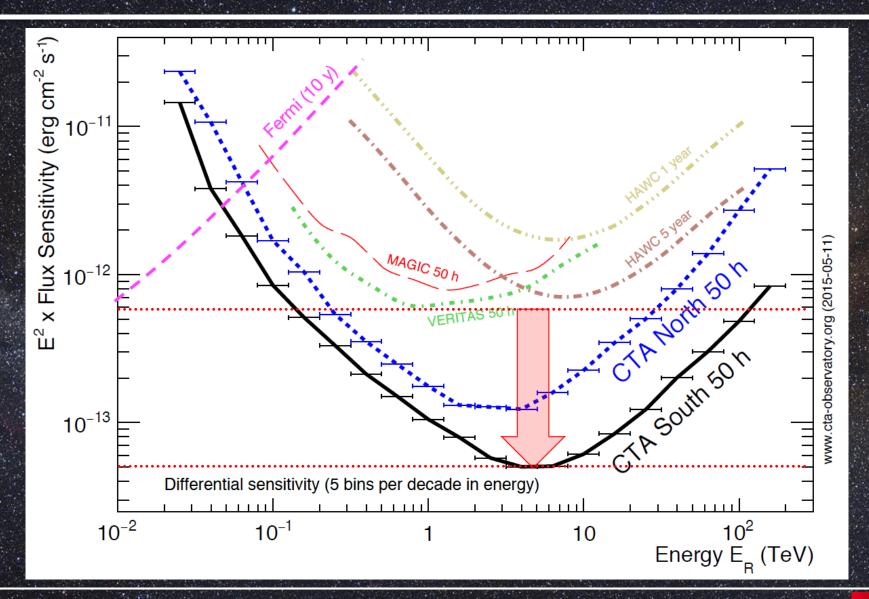
E > 10 TeV 70 (0) SST

> Ø 4 m 10° FoV

> 1000 h available per year per site

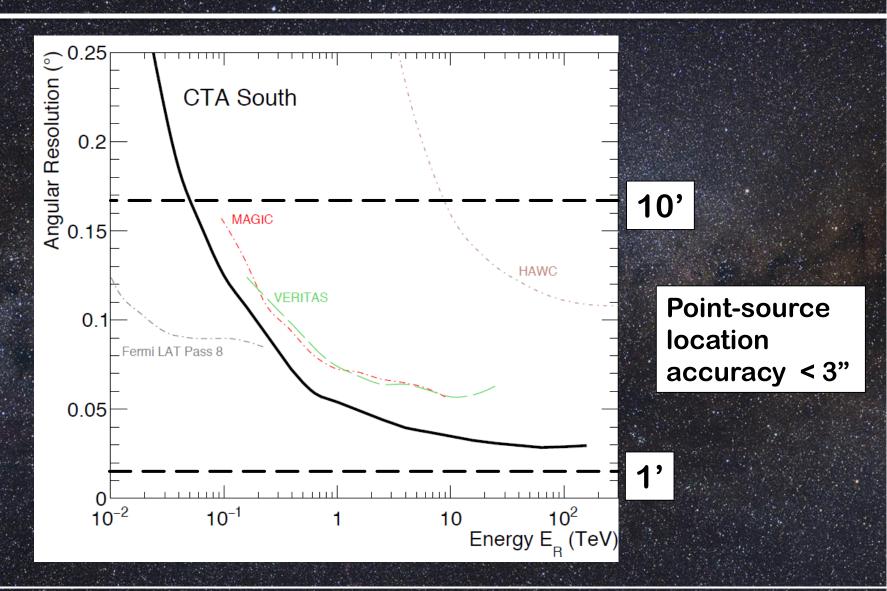
Performance - Sensitivity





Performance - PSF





Timing and transients



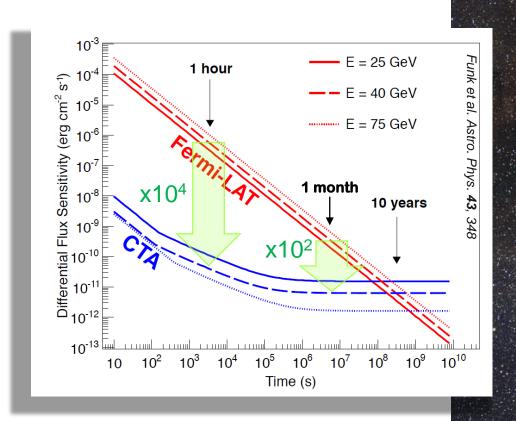
Larger effective area

→ increased signal rate

→ Timing capabilities

Transients

- Slewing time
 - LST < 50 s
 - SST, MST < 90 s
- Large field of view
 - 4-10°
 - Serendipitous events
- Real Time Analysis
 - Alerts sent < 1 minute



Galactic KSP



SURVEYS

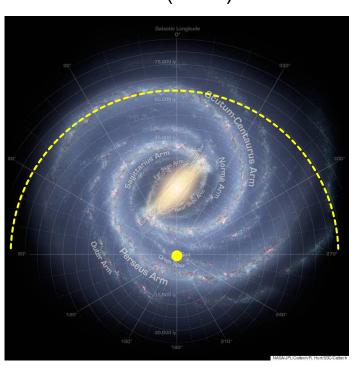
- Planned early
 - → Legacy data set
- Galactic plane [~1500h]
- LMC [~500h]
 - 100 times faster than with previous TeV instruments
 - 10-100 times deeper
 - PSF<0.1° @ 300 GeV

TARGETS

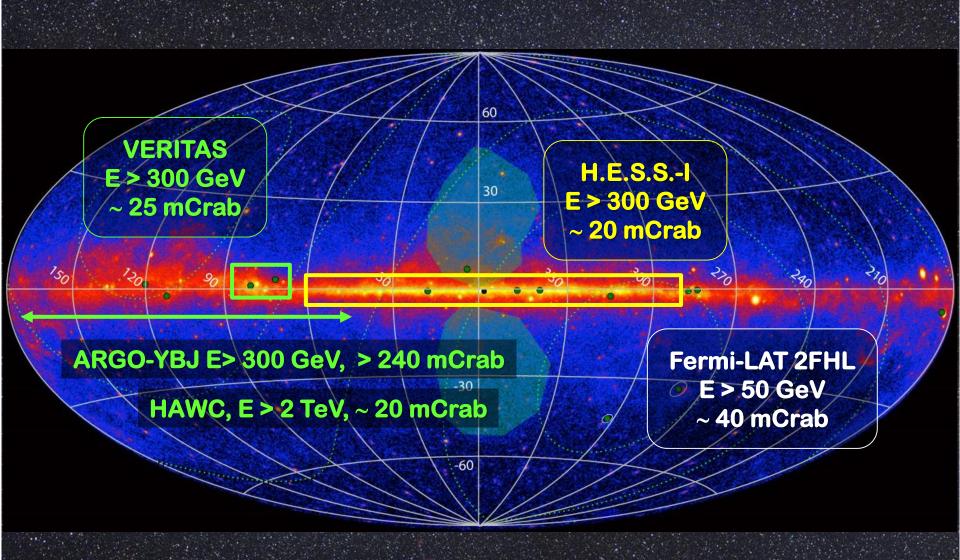
- Galactic centre
- Pevatron search
- Star forming regions
- Transients...



- Distance reach of 20 kpc
 - "All" bright sources visible (10³³⁻³⁴ erg/s)
 - Large sample of fainter sources (10³² erg/s)
- Expect population increase x 5,
 - Mainly SNR and PWNe : ~75→ > 300 galactic sources (500?)
- Plane diffuse emission
- Discoveries
 - γ-ray binaries ?
 - Pevatrons?
 - New extended sources...
- Legacy data set
 - HL catalogue ~18 months
 - First full Catalogue released < 3 yr
 - → Seeds for guest observers

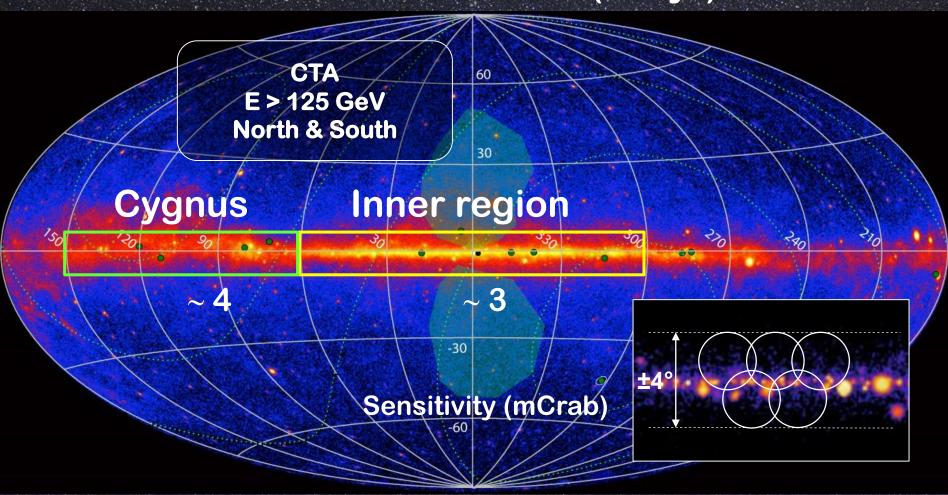






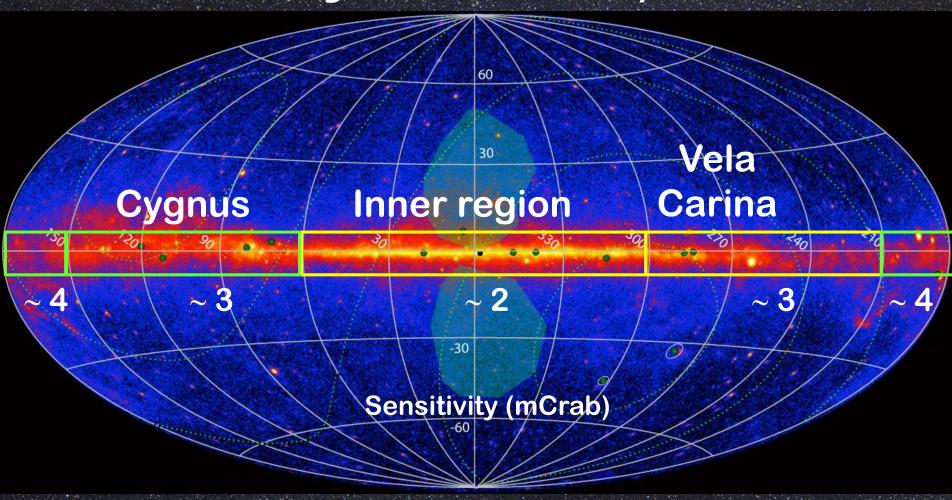


Short term scenario (1-2 yr)

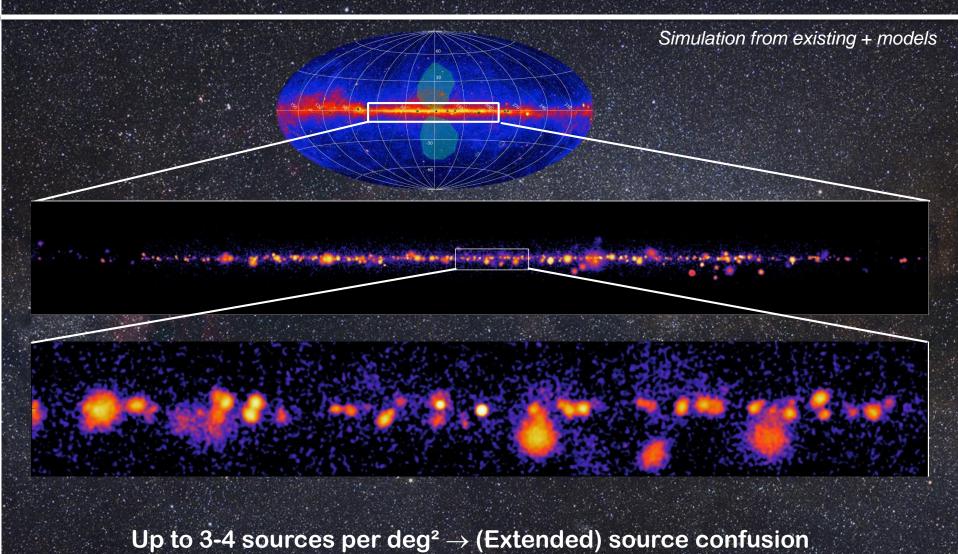












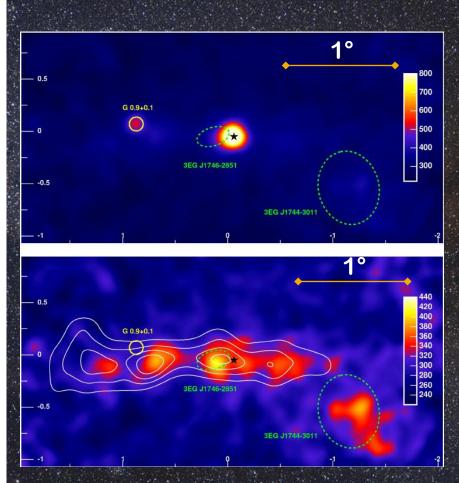
The Galactic centre



- A Long list of questions
 → Well suited for a KSP
- Very deep exposures with Chandra, XMM, INTEGRAL,...
- What is the central VHE source?
 - Winds from Sgr A*?
 - → Variability (1' 1h time scales) ?
 - A pulsar wind nebula ?
 - Others ?
- Diffuse emission along the ridge
 - From a VHE accelerator ?
 (See recent Hess results)
- Fermi Bubbles

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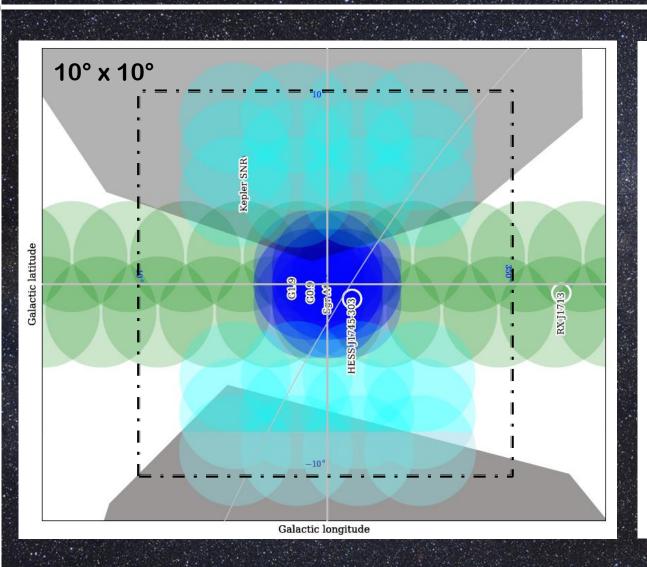
- CR from SN explosion?
 (10% of the SF rate in the Galaxy)
- Sgr A* past activity ?
- → Disentangle diffuse emission and new sources
 - Many PWNe, SNR expected



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The Galactic centre













Star forming systems

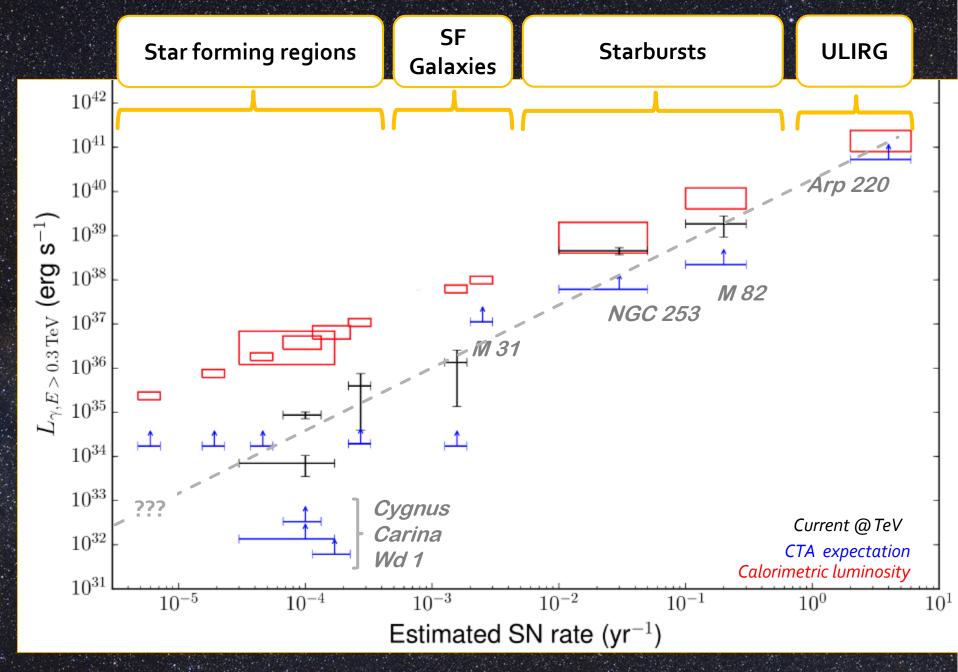


Questions

- Influence of ISM conditions on CR acceleration and transport?
- Role of CR in star formation process ?
- Galactic targets (~mCrab level)
 - Carina ~ 100 h
 - Cygnus (OB1/OB2) ~ 100 h
 - WD1 ~ 40 h
- + extragalactic SFS



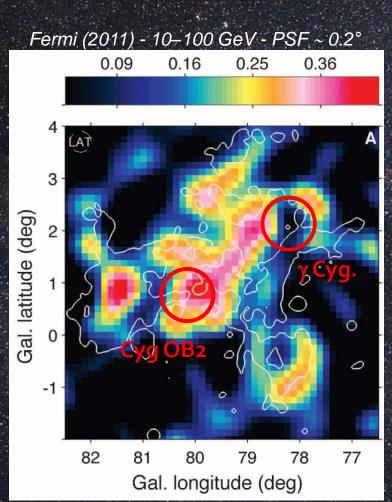


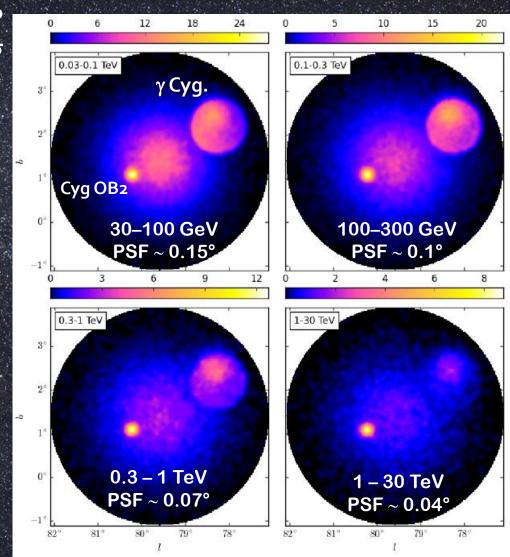


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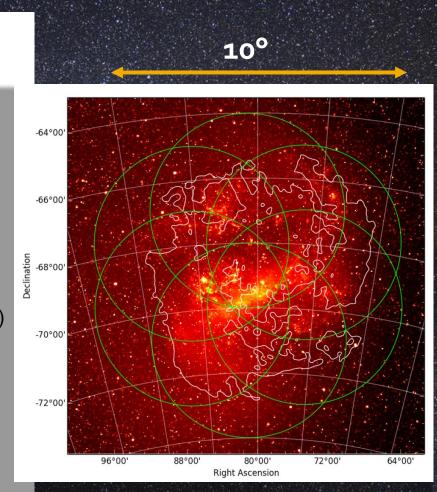
LMC survey



- A laboratory for CR production and transportation study
- Approximately face-on
 - Distance ~ 49 kpc, known at % level
 - No absorption, nor source confusion
- 10% of MW star formation (2% vol.)
 - e.g. 30 Doradus, hosting SN1987A
- Some VHE accelerators Recently:

PWNe (N157B), SNR (N132B), 30 Dor C (SB) (HESS coll. 2015, Science 347, 406)

- Deep survey over 4 years (~300 h)
- if SN1987A detected, monitoring
 - 50h every 2 years during 6 years

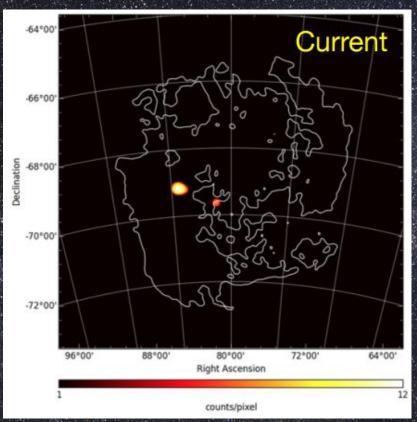


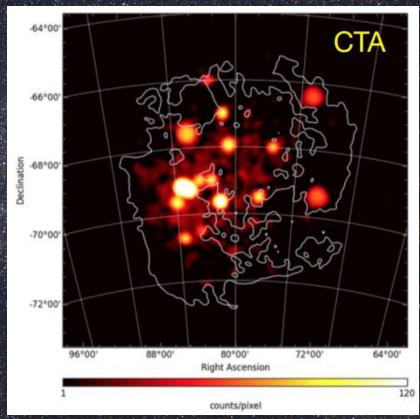
Illustrative

LMC survey



5 kpc



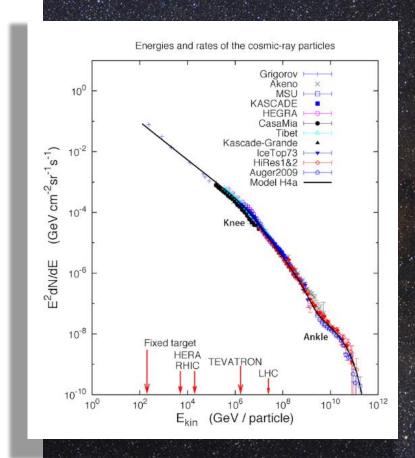


- Resolving regions down to 20 pc in size
- Sensitivity down to 10³⁴ erg/s (E>200 GeV)

Pevatrons

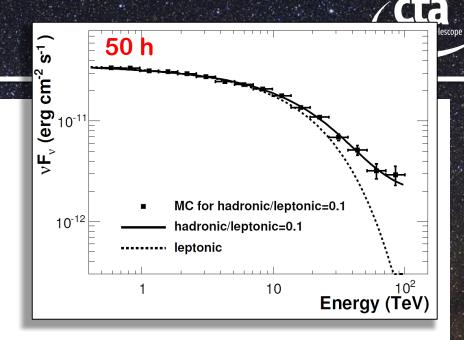


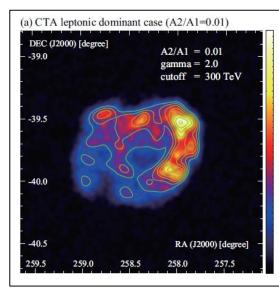
- Origin of cosmic rays E<10¹⁵ eV?
- Search for Galactic pevatrons
 - Current theoretical consensus
 - But, Still no evidence at E >20 TeV
 - SNRs can satisfy CR energy budget
 - Evidence only for IC 443, W44 (evolved SNR, π° « observed »)
- Answer
 - Disentangle hadronic/leptonic contributions
 - Target RX J1713.7-3946 [~50 h, first years]
 - Find 5 candidates from GPS [~50 h each]

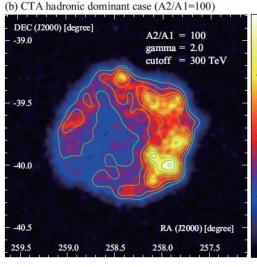


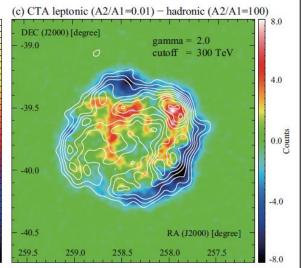
Pevatrons

- RX J1713.7 simulation
 - XMM → Inv. Compton π°
 - HI + CO $\rightarrow \pi^{\circ} \gamma$'s





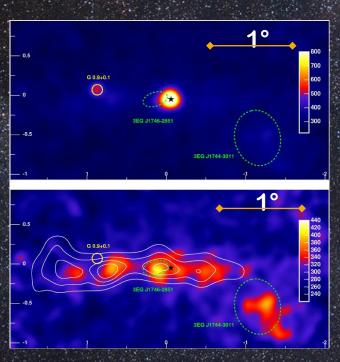




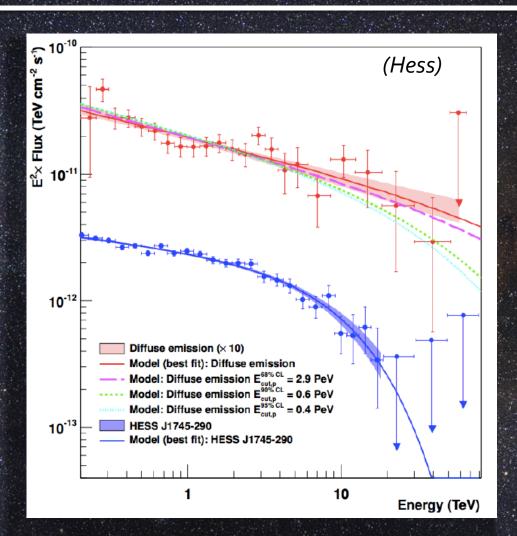
Pevatrons



H.E.S.S.: First Pevatron found? A typical target for CTA



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Plot from M. De Naurois presentation , ICRC 2015

Galactic Conclusion (I)



CTA: a revolution for galactic science at VHE

- Unprecedented sensitivity and angular resolution
- Large field of views (4-8°)
- Opens new possibilities for MWL analysis
- Overlap with existing Fermi science (E>30 GeV)

Addresses (answers to?) fundamental questions

- Origin of PeV Cosmic rays
- CR influence on ISM and star formation
- Extreme environment physics
- (Dark matter)

More on CTA

- Dark matter Emmanuel Moulin session 5, Wednesday
- Extragalactic science Lucie Gérard session 19, Wednesday
- Telescope array status Michael Daniel session 20, Thursday

Galactic Conclusion (II)



- A consortium program based on Key science projects
 - Explore important CTA science in a coherent fashion
 - Starting point : surveys (Galaxy + LMC)
 - Intented to evolve before/after the construction phase
 - Produce legacy data set for the whole community
 - Becomes public after a proprietary period
 - Many iconic HE/VHE sources are not in KSP

~ 50% of the observing time over 10 years



As much as 50% of open time over 10 years

An exciting Scientific program to come!

