

# Future Prospects of MeV Gamma-ray Astronomy

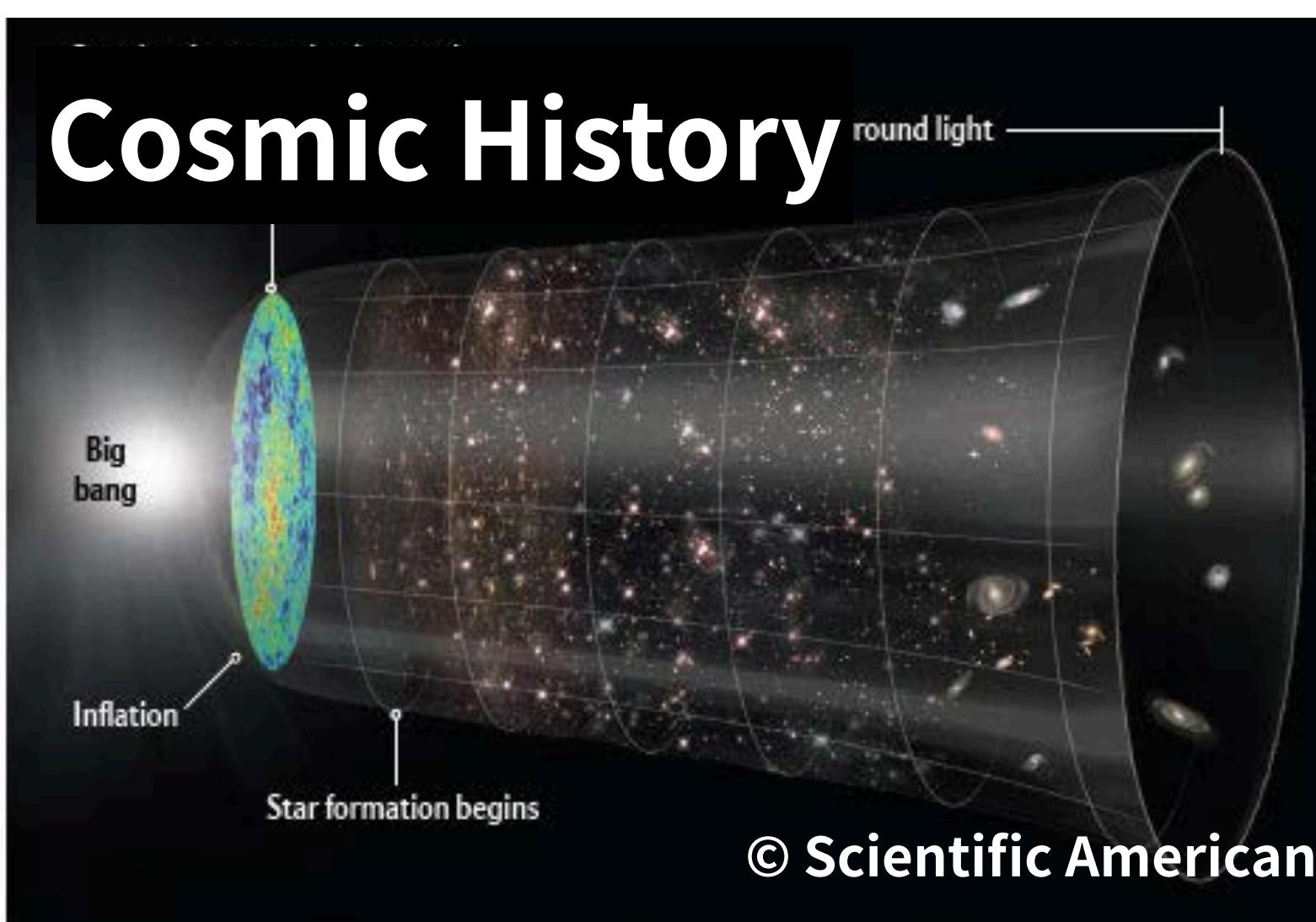
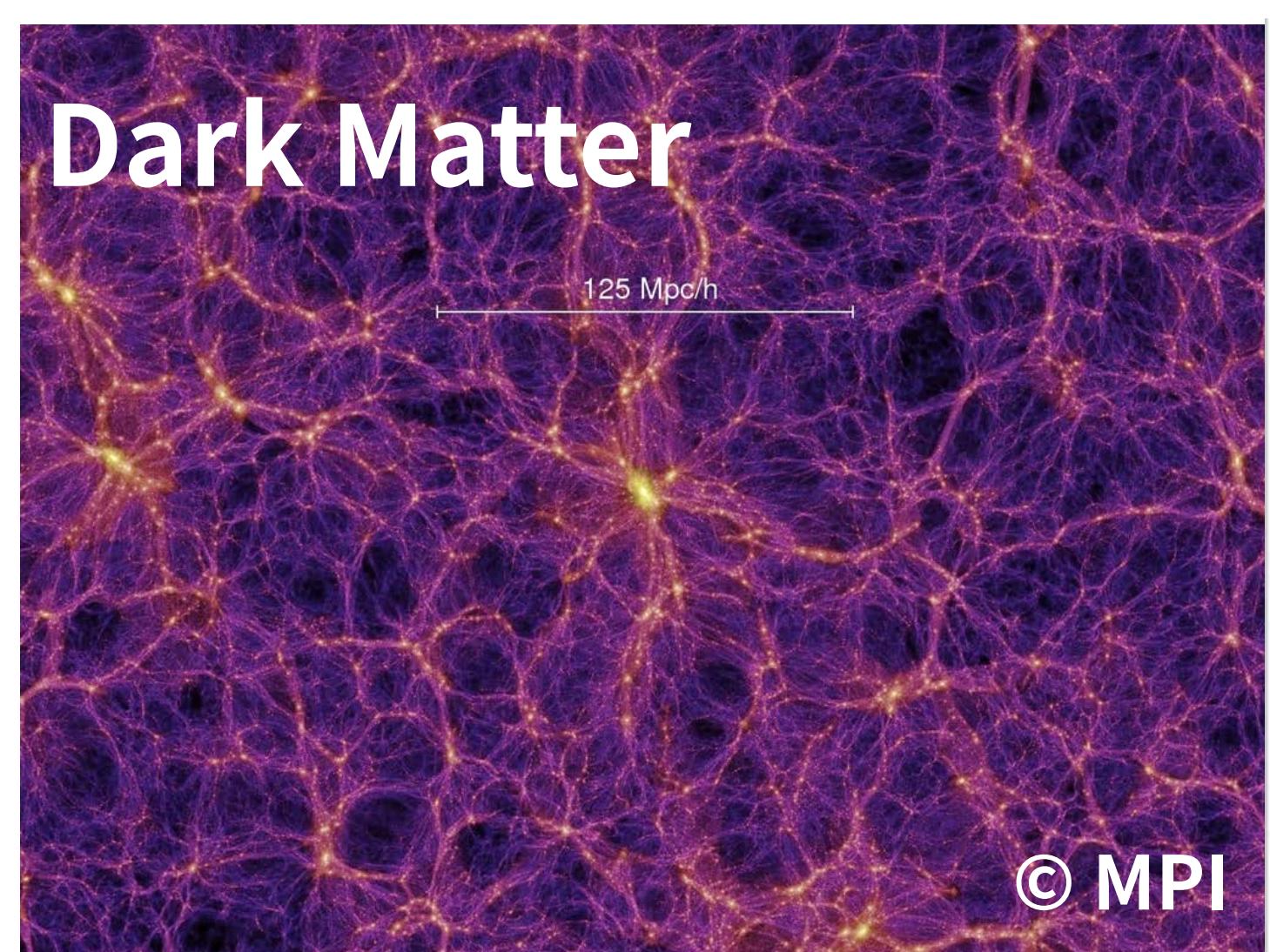
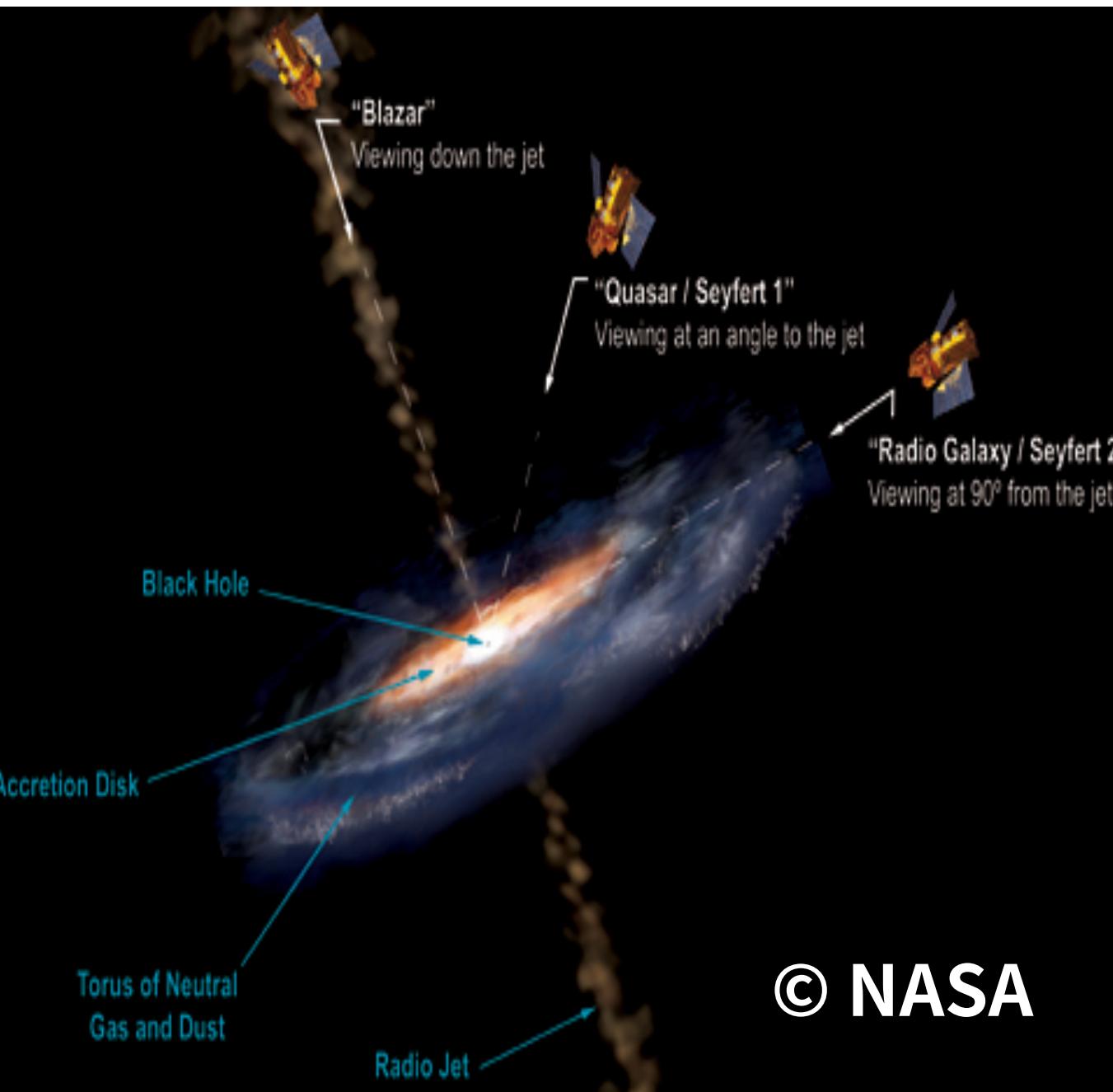
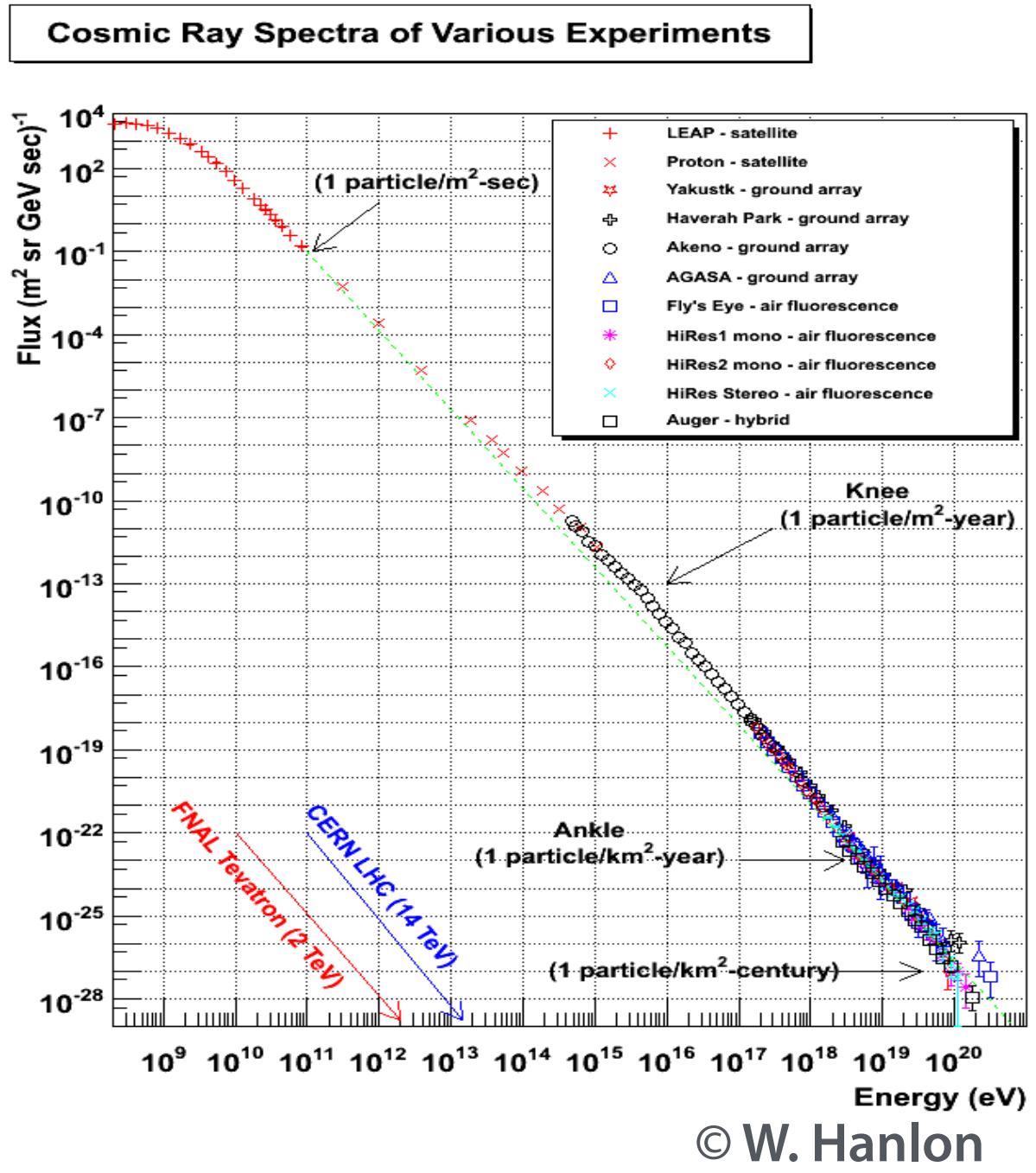
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Connecting high-energy astroparticle physics for origins of cosmic rays and future perspectives  
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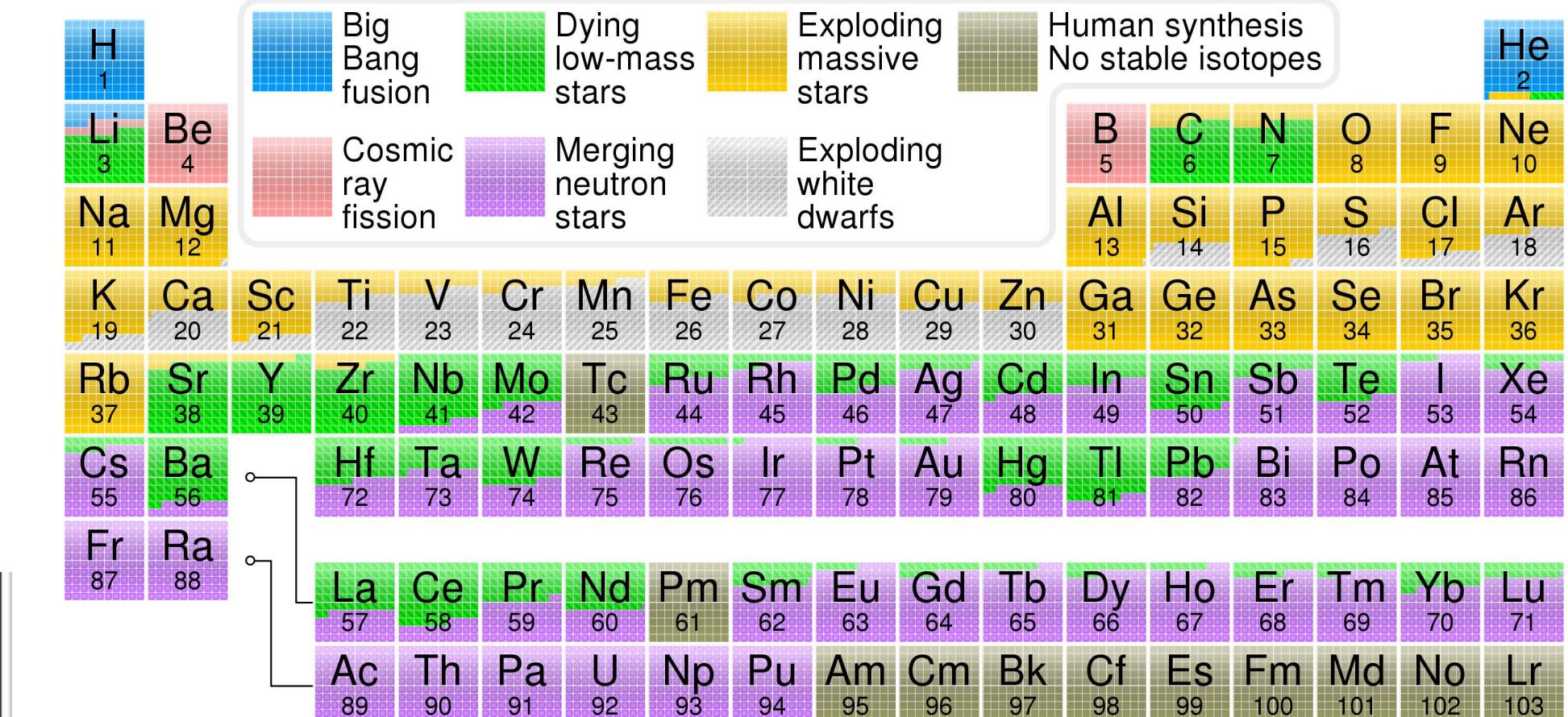
# Particle Acceleration

# Relativistic Jets

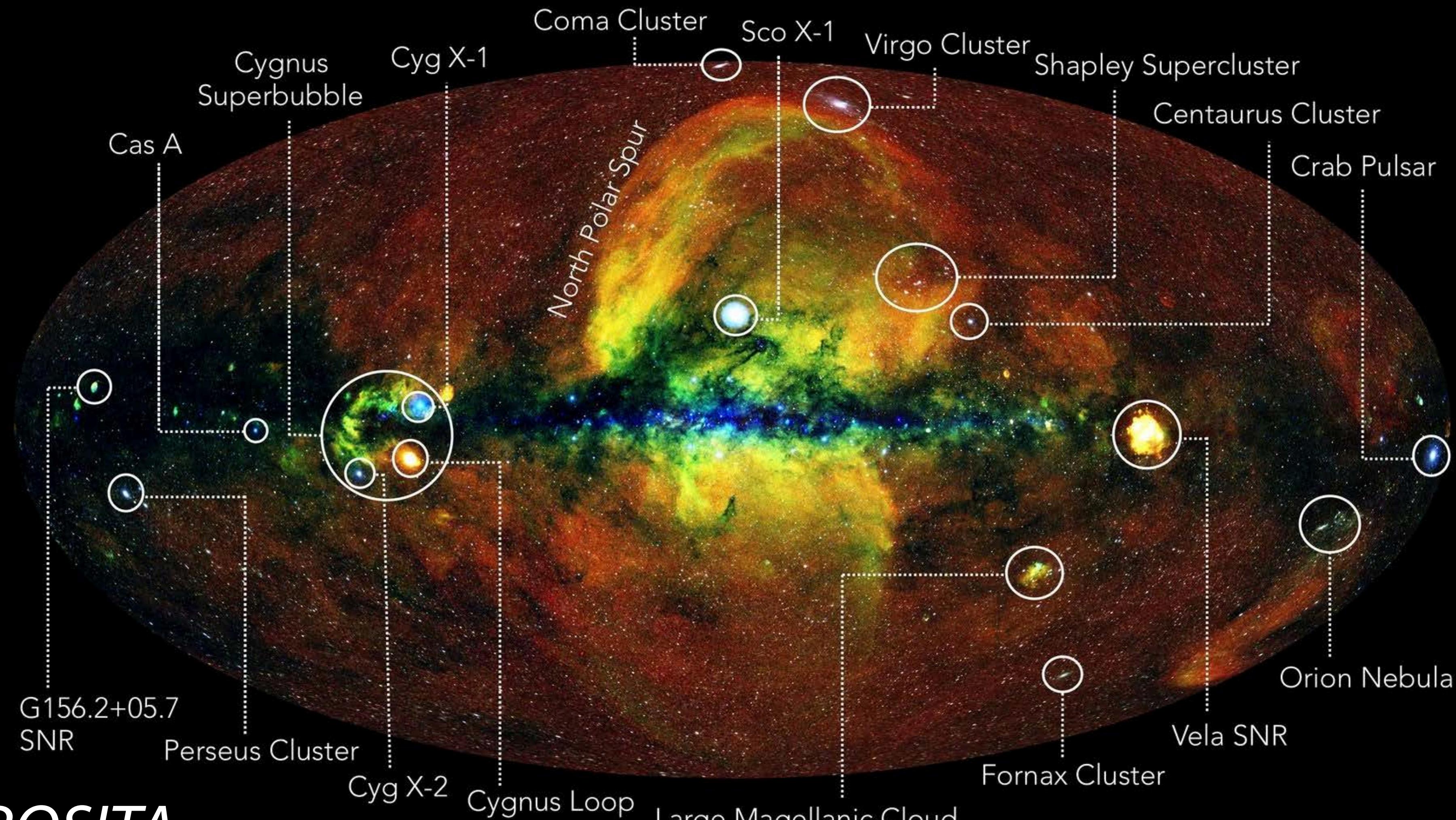


## Why MeV Gamma-ray Astrophysics?

## Origin of Matter



# Soft X-ray Sky (0.3-2.3 keV)

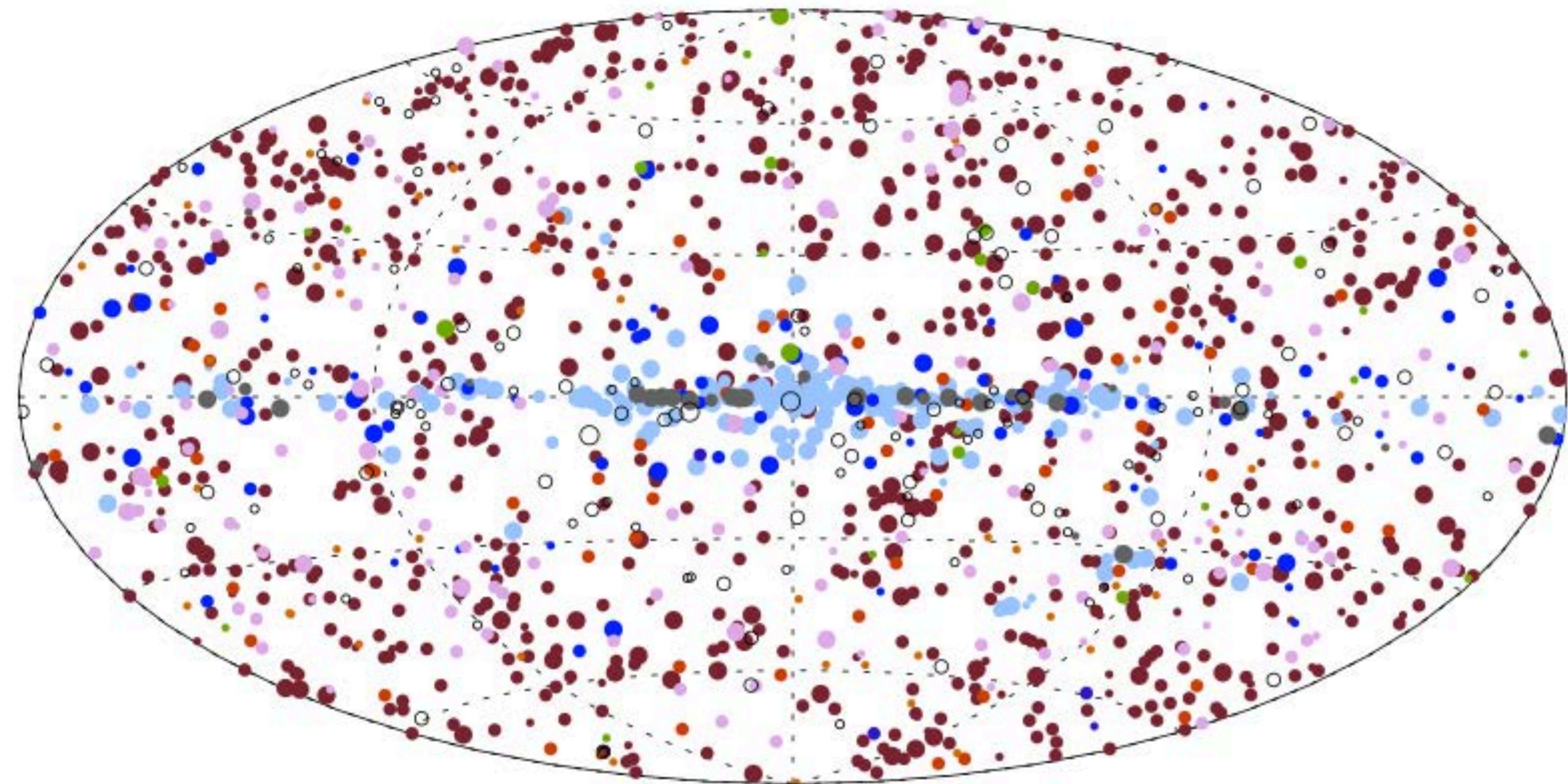


*SRG/e-ROSITA  
6-month survey*

$> 1 \times 10^{-14}$  erg/cm<sup>2</sup>/s

**$\sim 10^6$  objects**

# Hard X-ray Sky (14-195 keV)

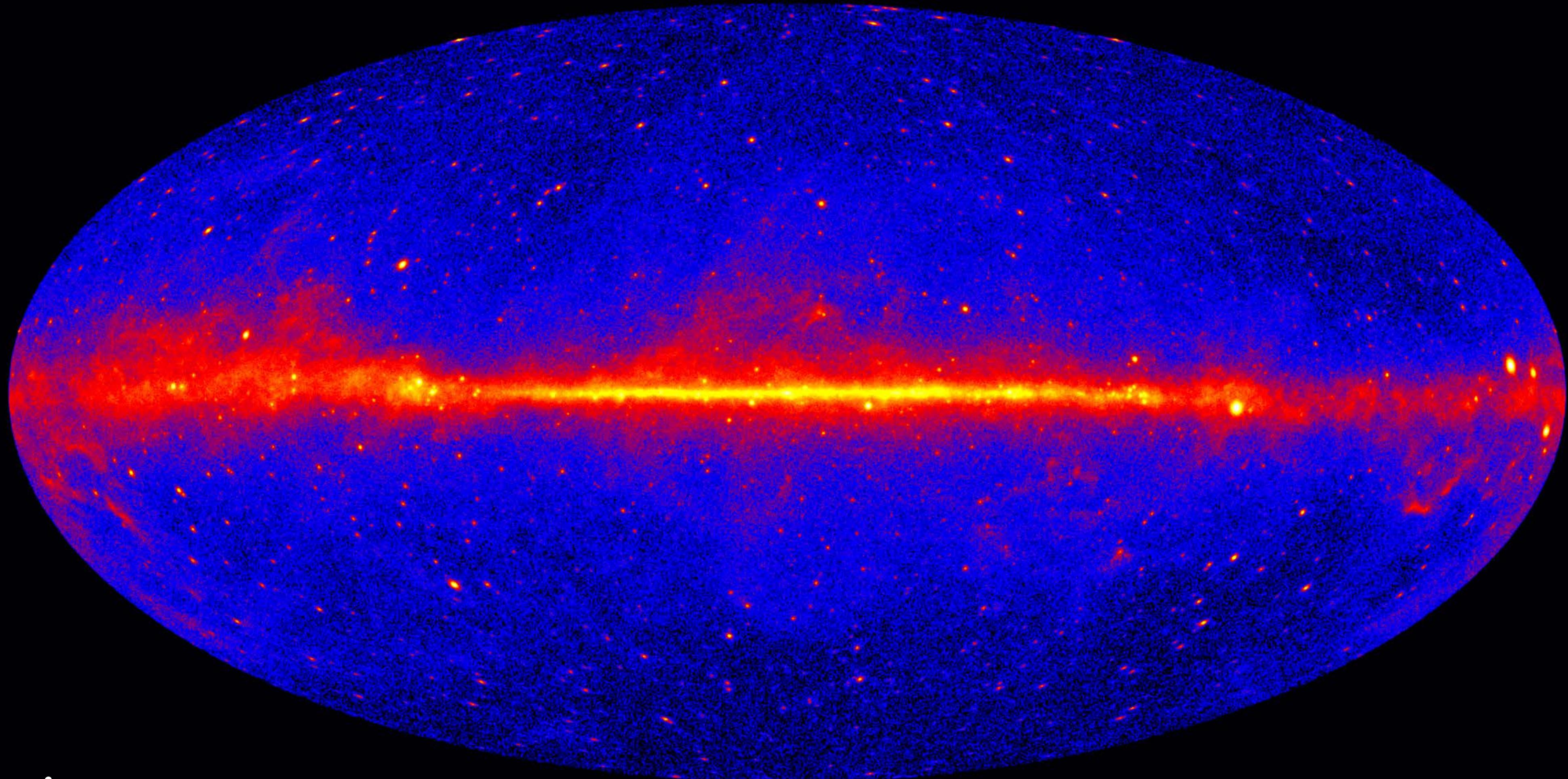


*Swift/BAT*  
105-month survey

$> 7 \times 10^{-12}$  erg/cm<sup>2</sup>/s

**~1600 objects**

# GeV Gamma-ray Sky (0.1-100 GeV)

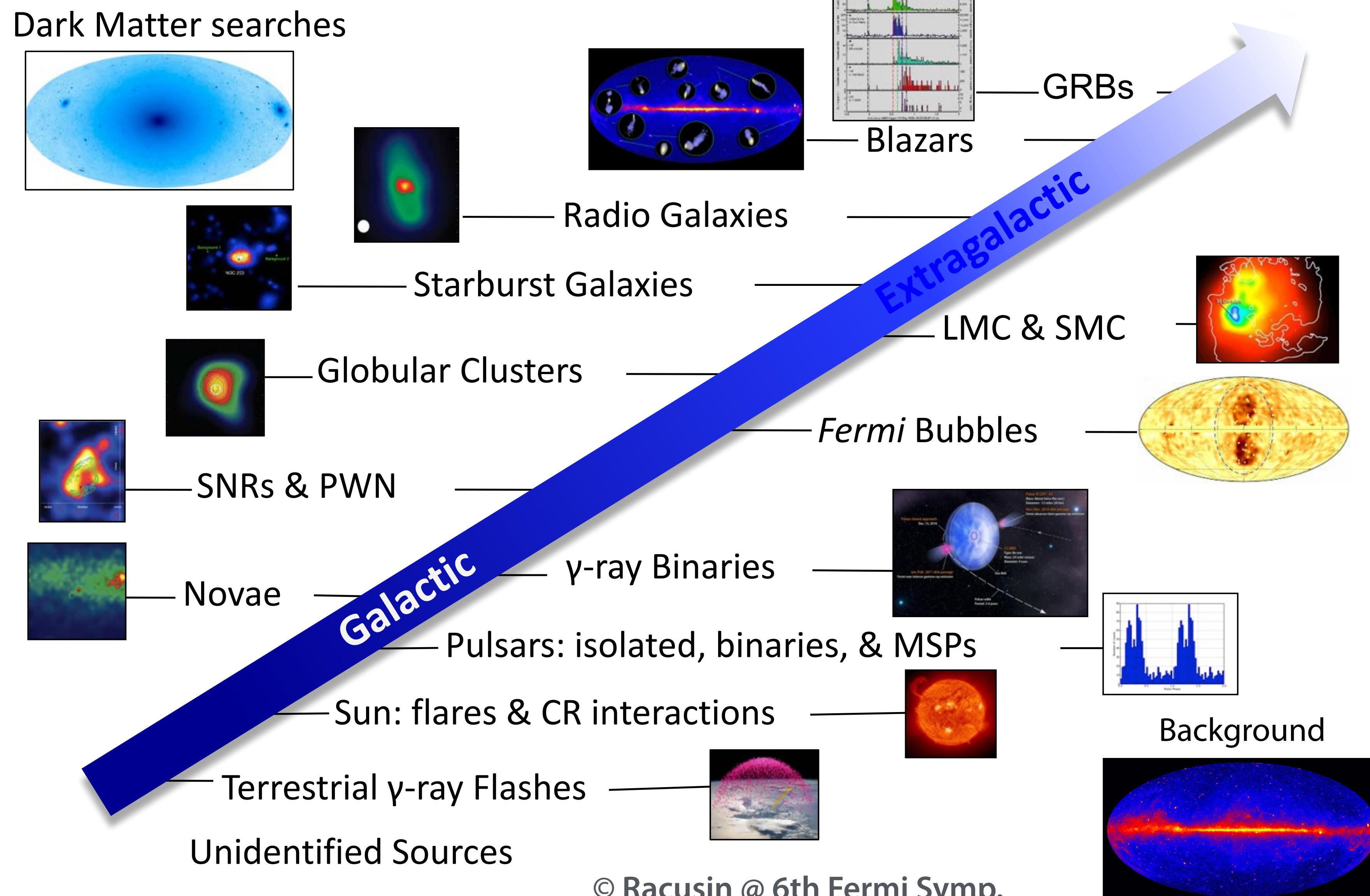


*Fermi*  
5-year survey

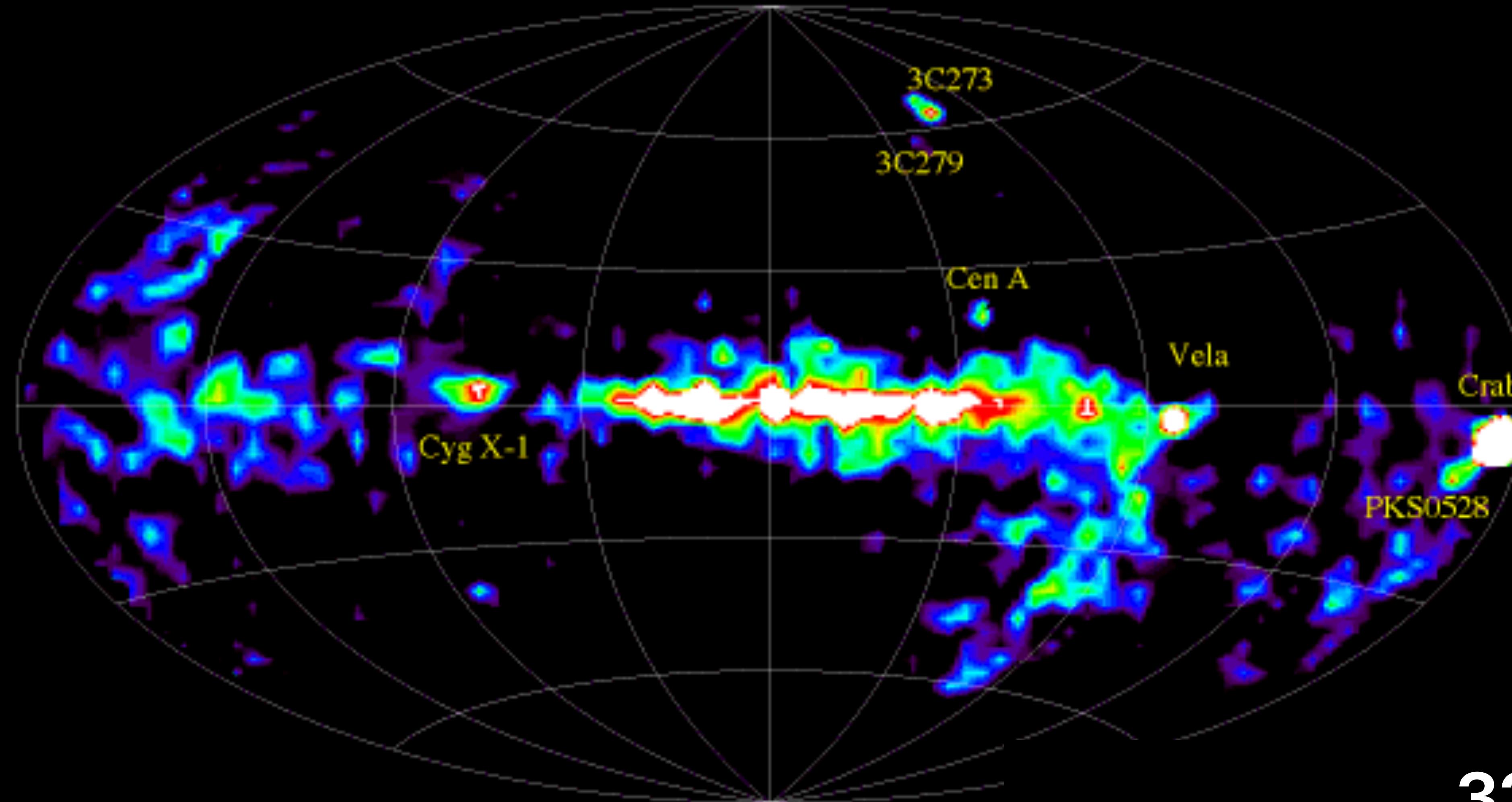
$> 2 \times 10^{-12}$  erg/cm<sup>2</sup>/s

~5000 objects

# GeV Gamma-ray Objects



# MeV Gamma-ray Sky



**32 objects**

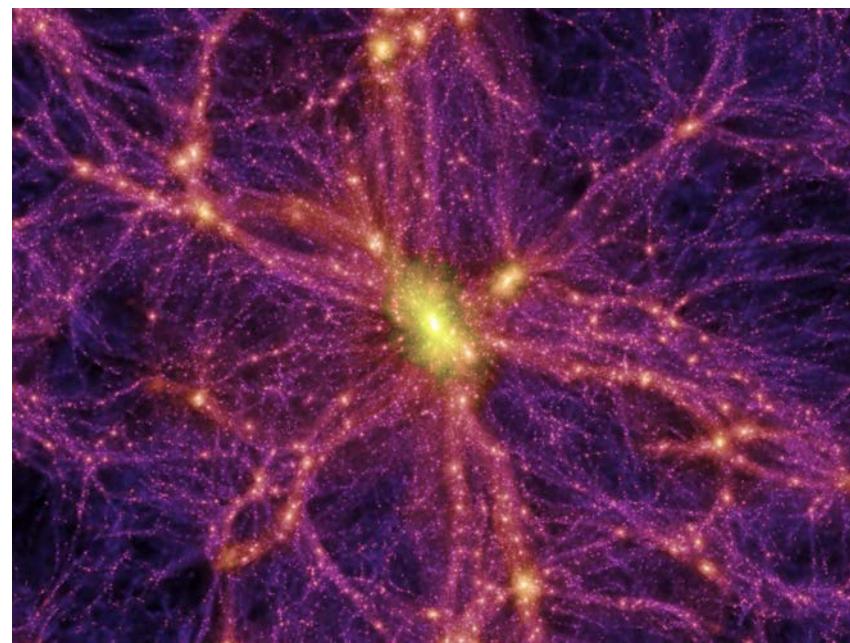
COMPTEL

$> 1 \times 10^{-10}$  erg/cm<sup>2</sup>/s

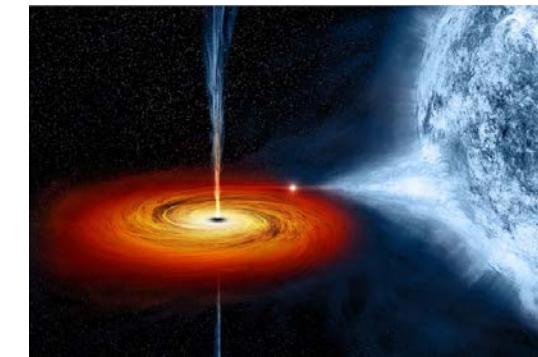
Note: >50 Candidates in GW now

# MeV Gamma-ray Science

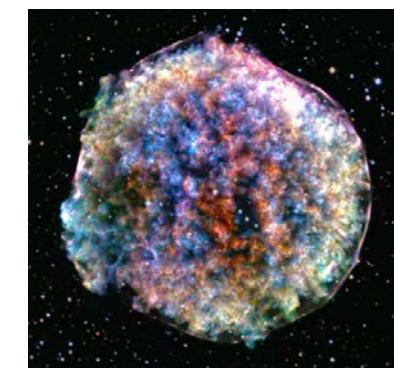
Dark Matter



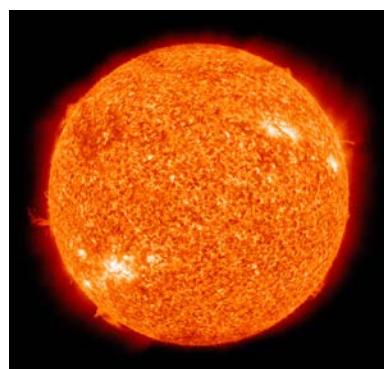
X-ray/ $\gamma$ -ray Binaries



SNRs & PWN



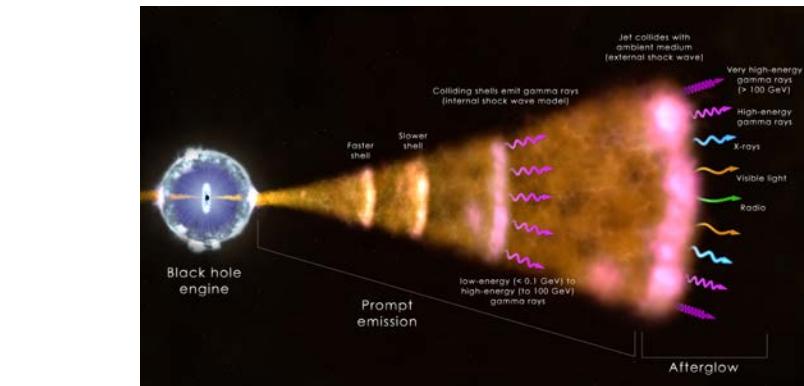
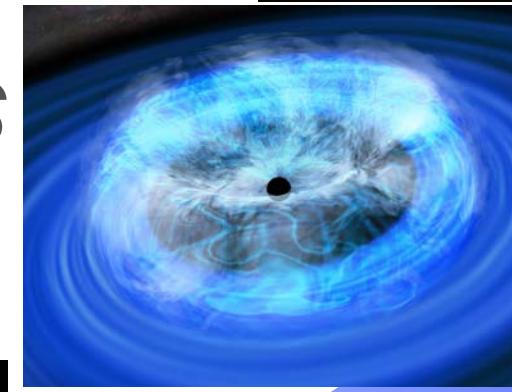
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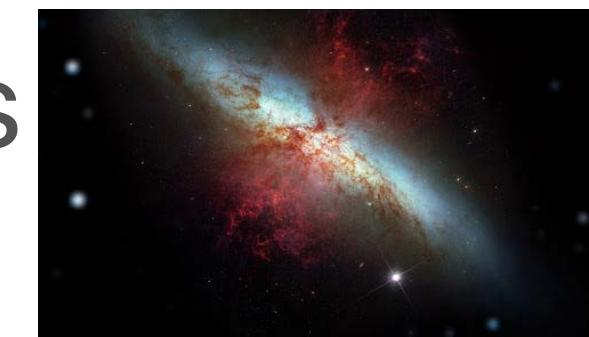
Terrestrial  
Flashes



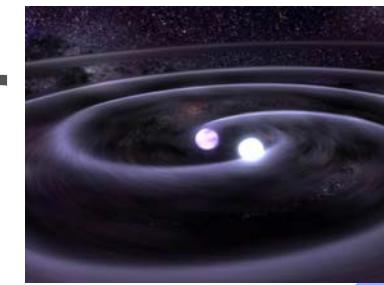
Seyferts



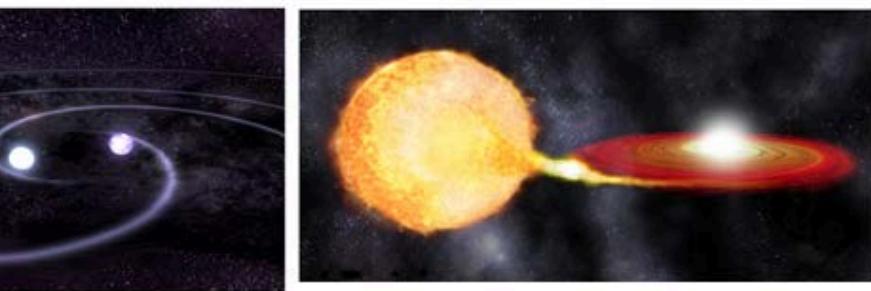
Starburst Galaxies



NS merger

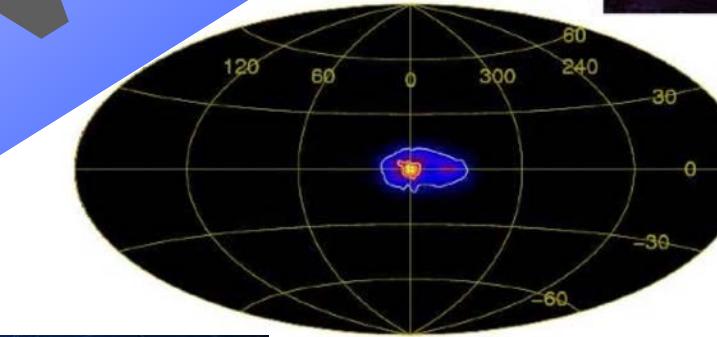


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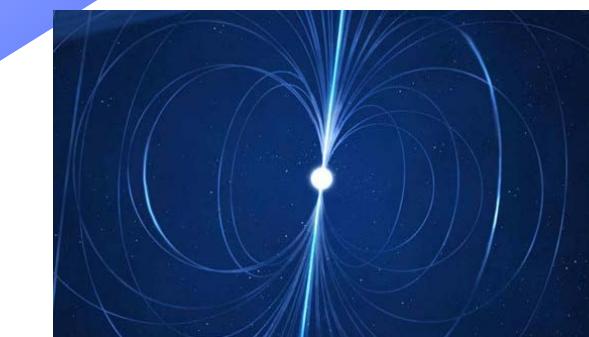


Type-Ia  
SNe

Galactic Center



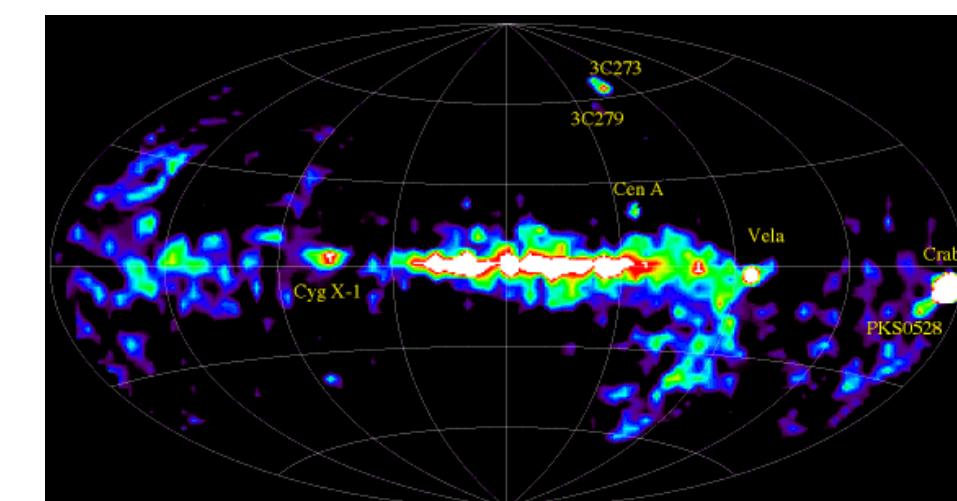
Pulsars & Magnetars



Novae



Background



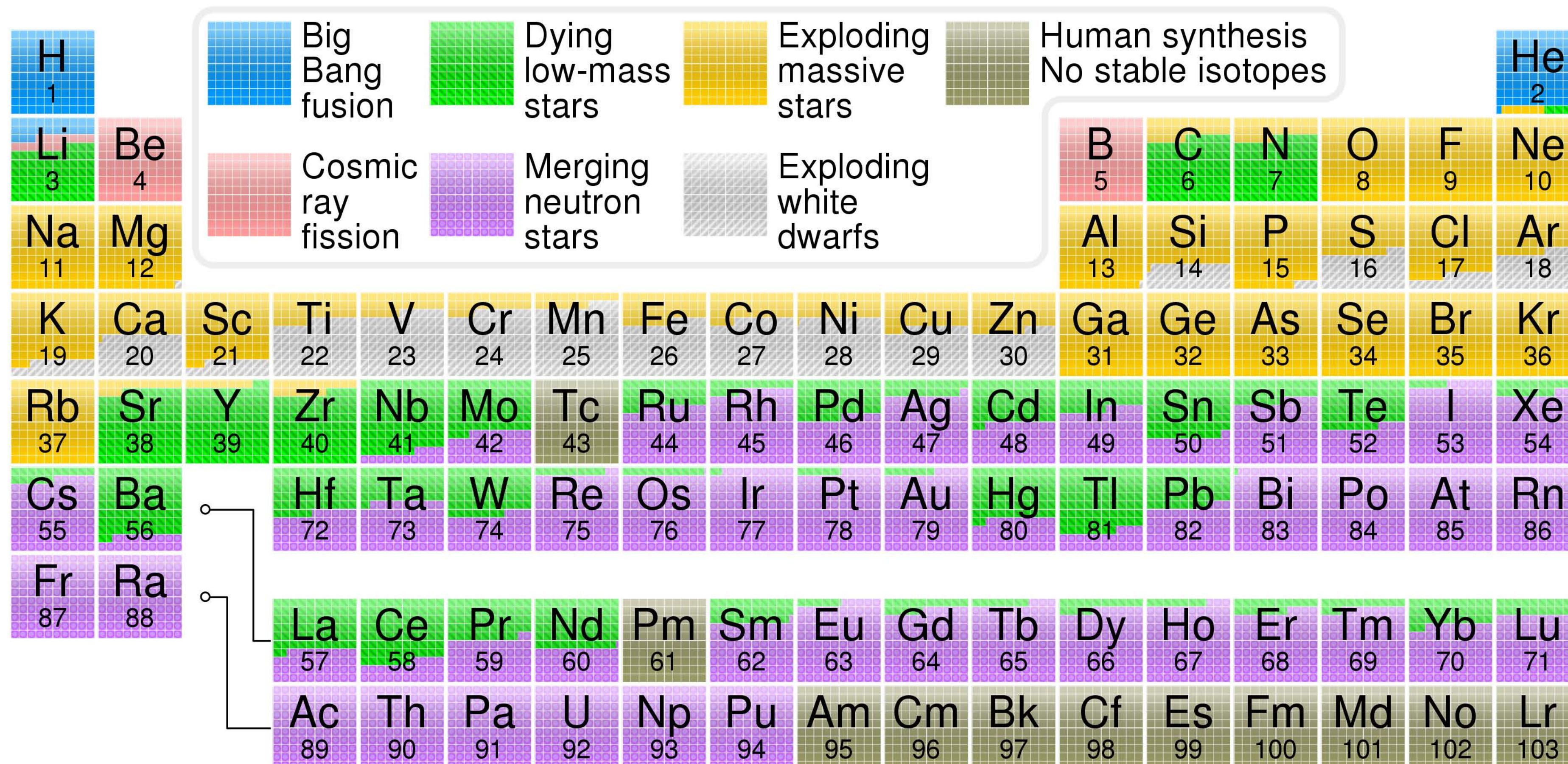
Blazars





# Nuclear processes: Gamma-ray Lines

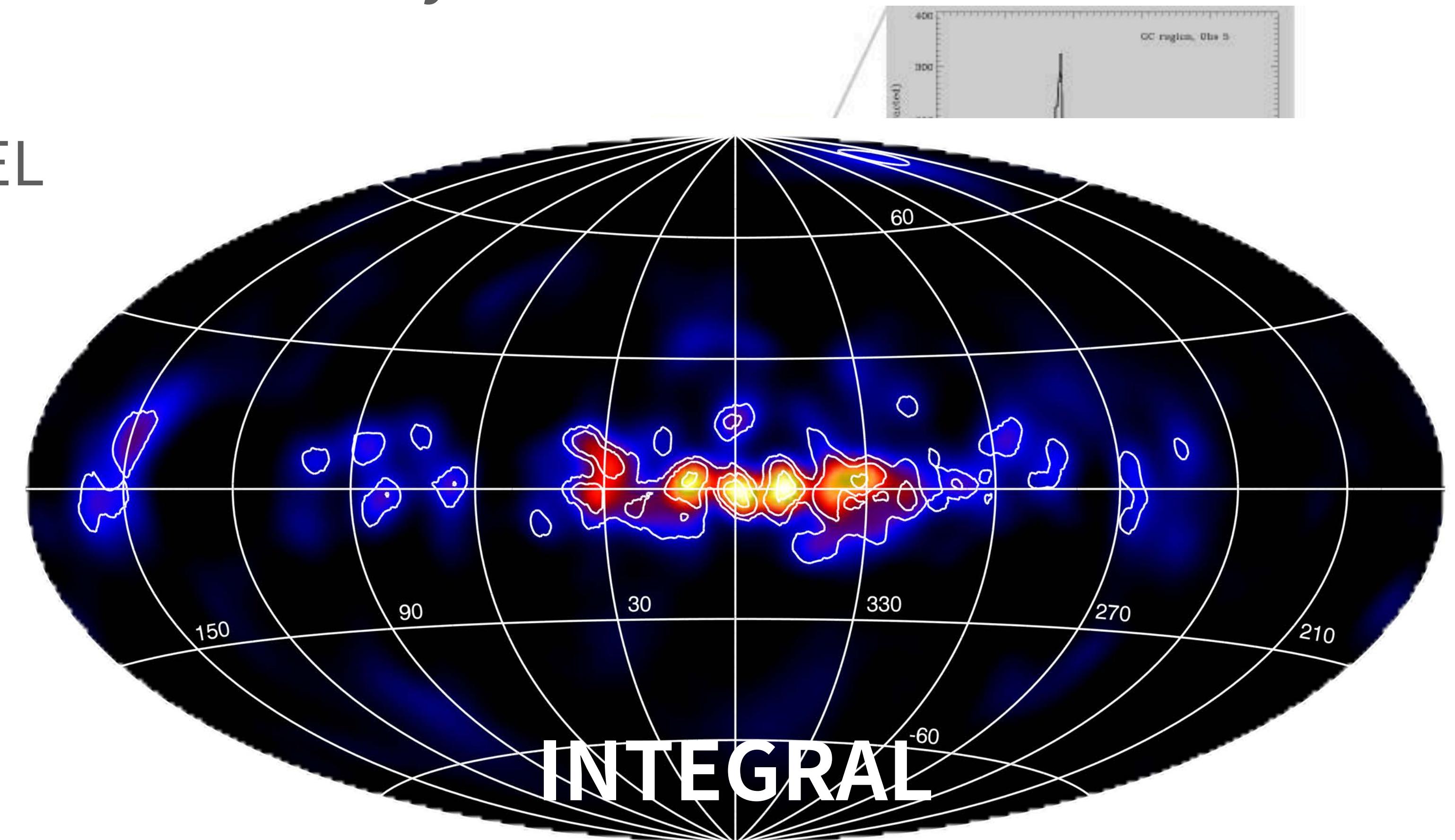
Transitions between nuclear energy levels

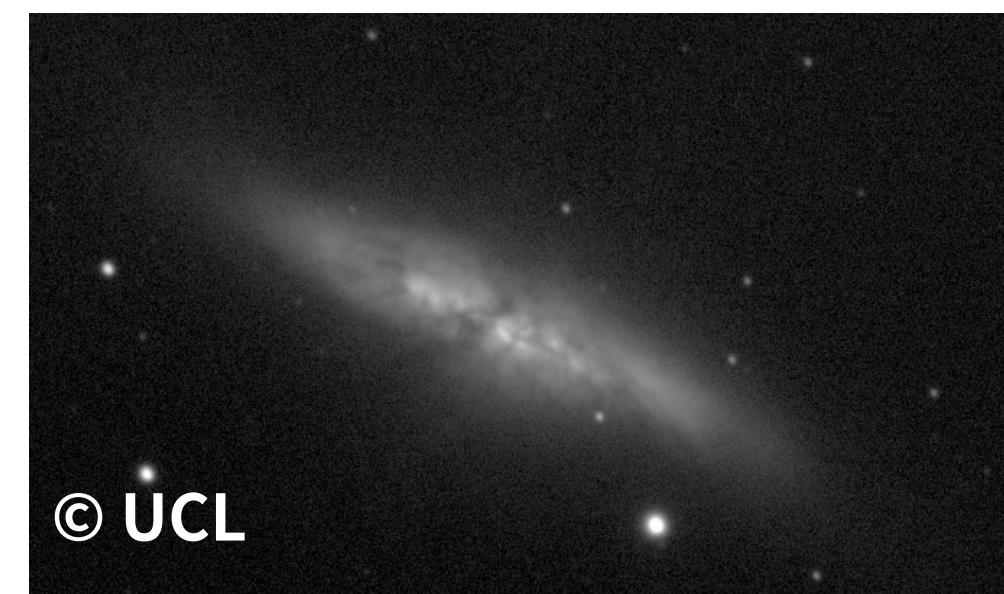


# All-sky image of 1.8 MeV $^{26}\text{Al}$ gamma-ray line

Tracing massive young star formation activity

- INTEGRAL confirms COMPTEL
  - confined in the galaxy.
  - scale height: ~800 pc  
(Pleintinger+'19; Wang+'20)
  - ~50 pc for young stars
  - Foreground local structure?  
(Fujimoto+'20)



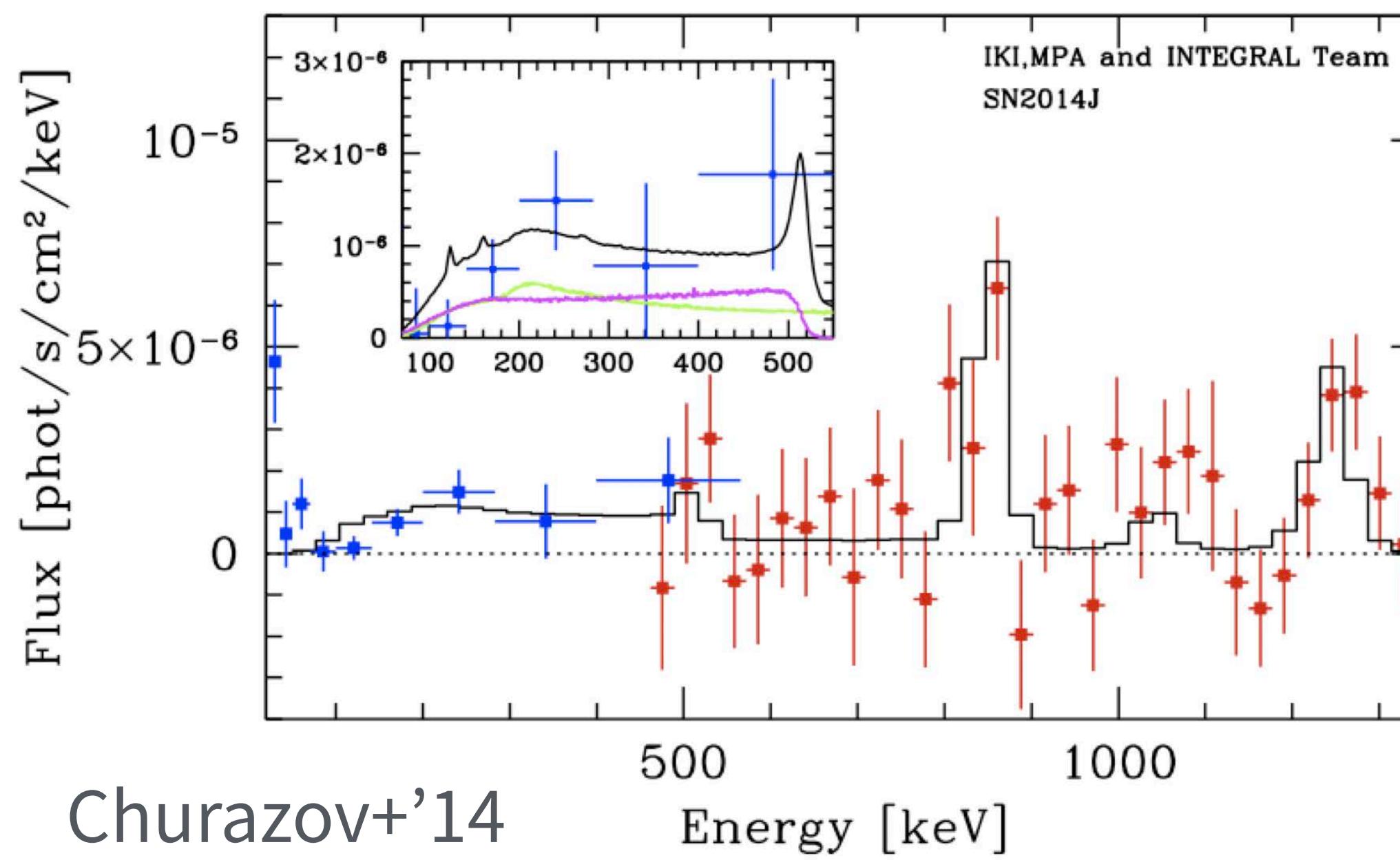


# SN 2014J in M 82

Type Ia SN: Thermonuclear explosion  $^{56}\text{Ni} \rightarrow ^{56}\text{Co} \rightarrow ^{56}\text{Fe}$

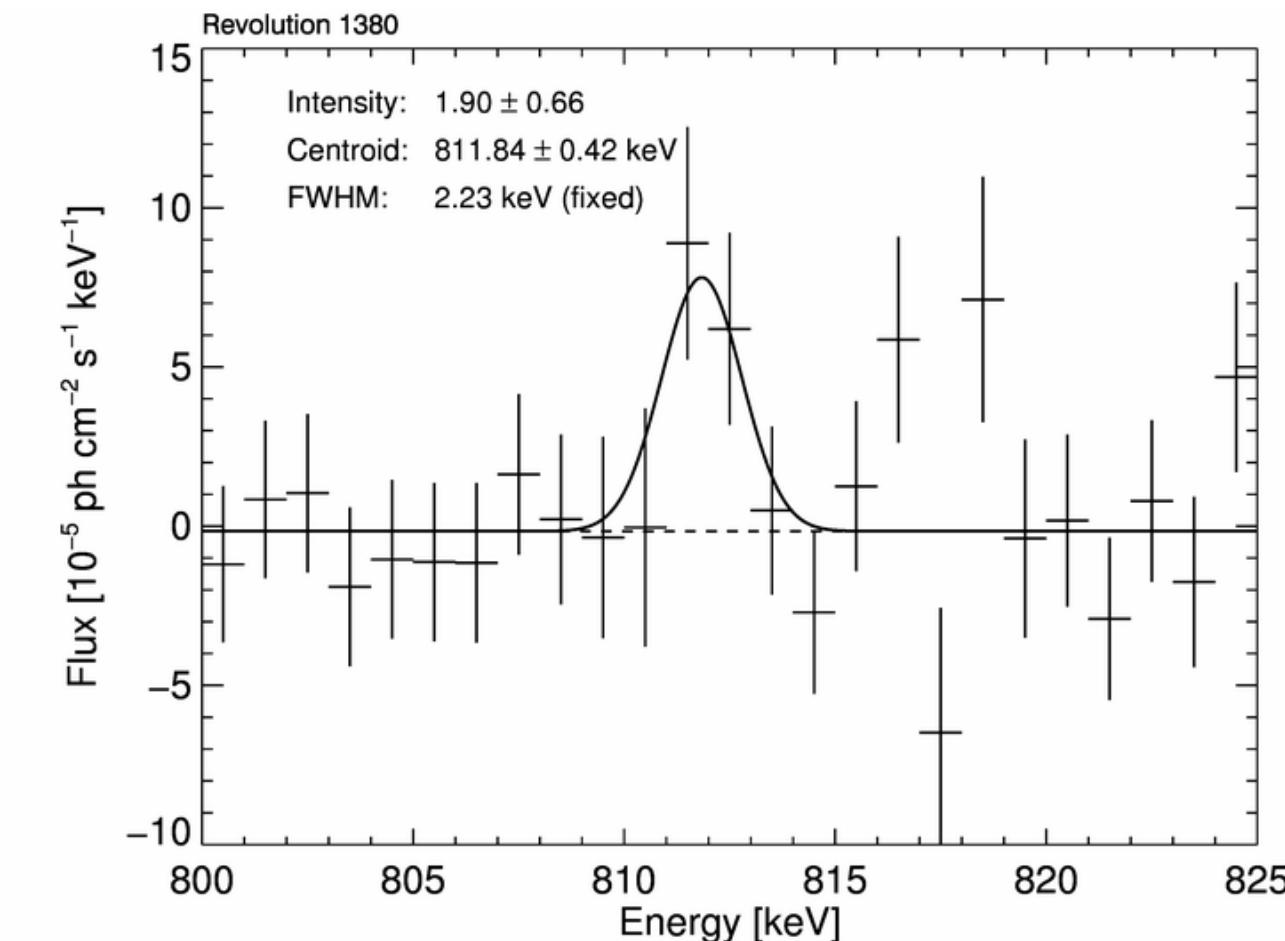
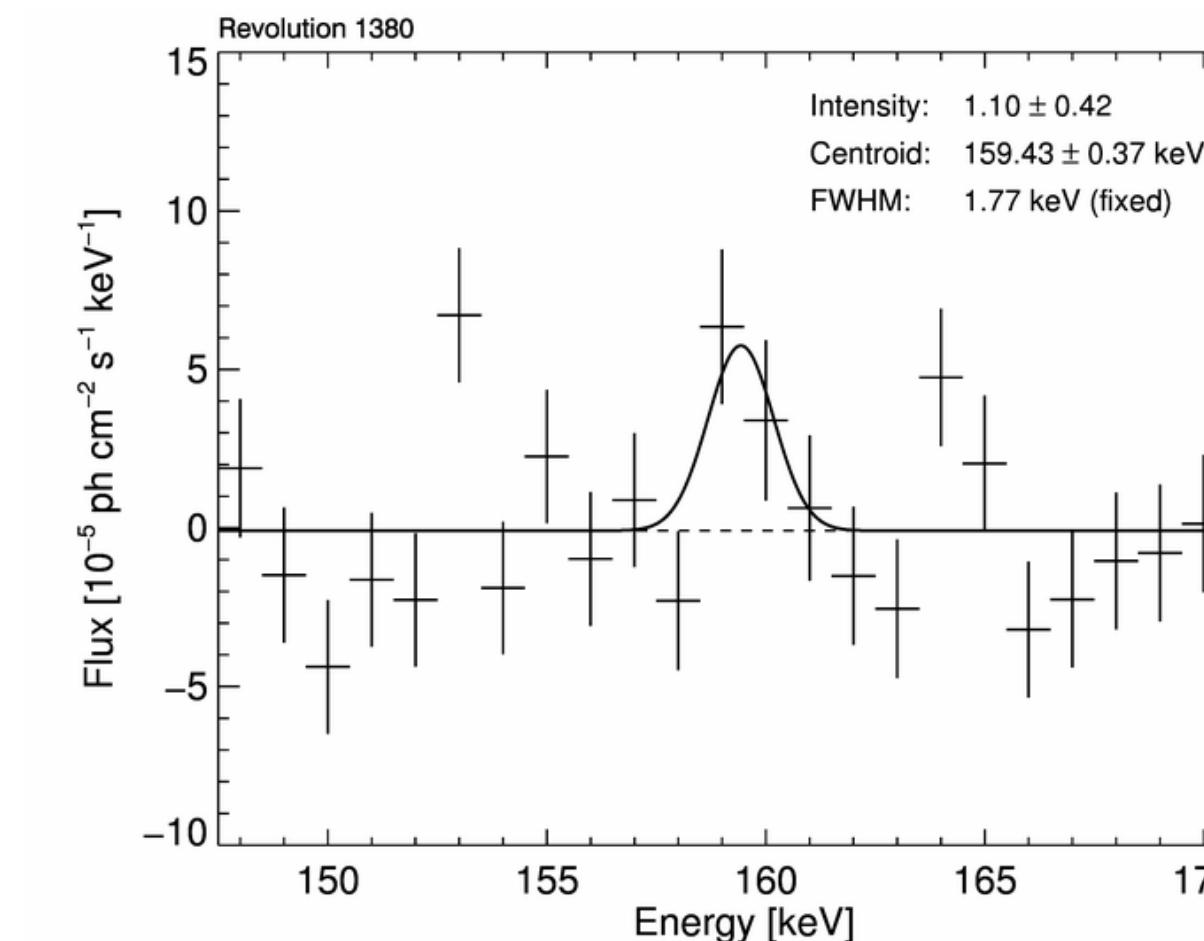
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$^{56}\text{Co}$  Lines: 50-100 days after the explosion



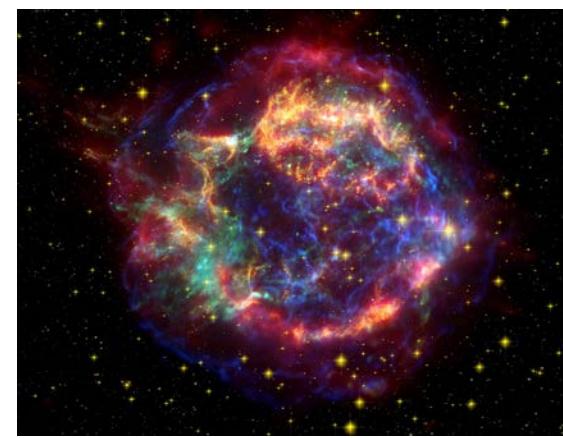
Churazov+’14

$^{56}\text{Ni}$  Lines: ~17.5 days after the explosion



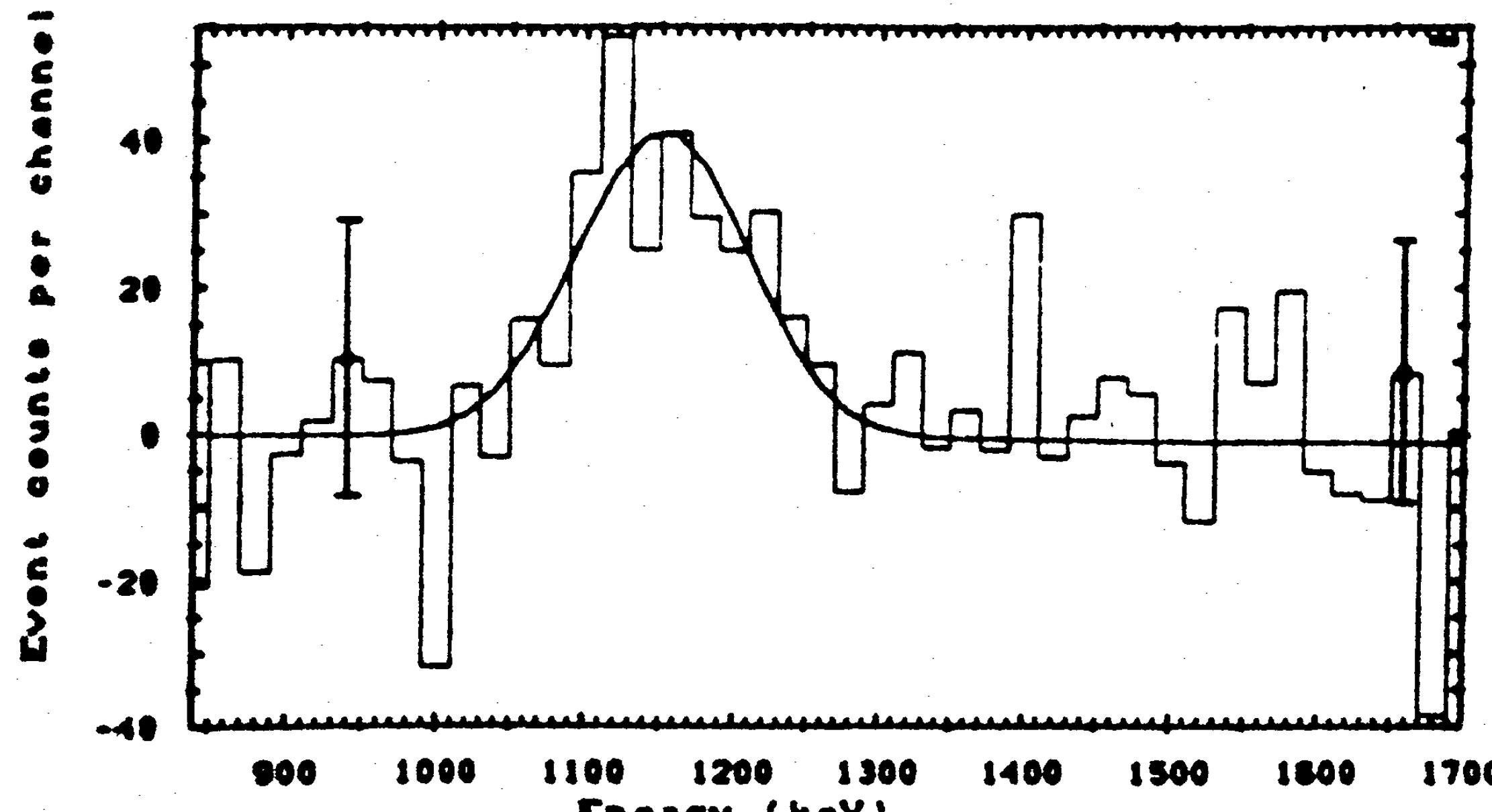
Diehl+’14

- 158 & 812 keV lines from  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  ( $\tau \sim 8.8$  days)
- 847 & 1238 keV lines from  $^{56}\text{CO}$  ( $\tau \sim 77$  days)
- $\sim 0.6M_{\odot}$  of  $^{56}\text{Ni}$

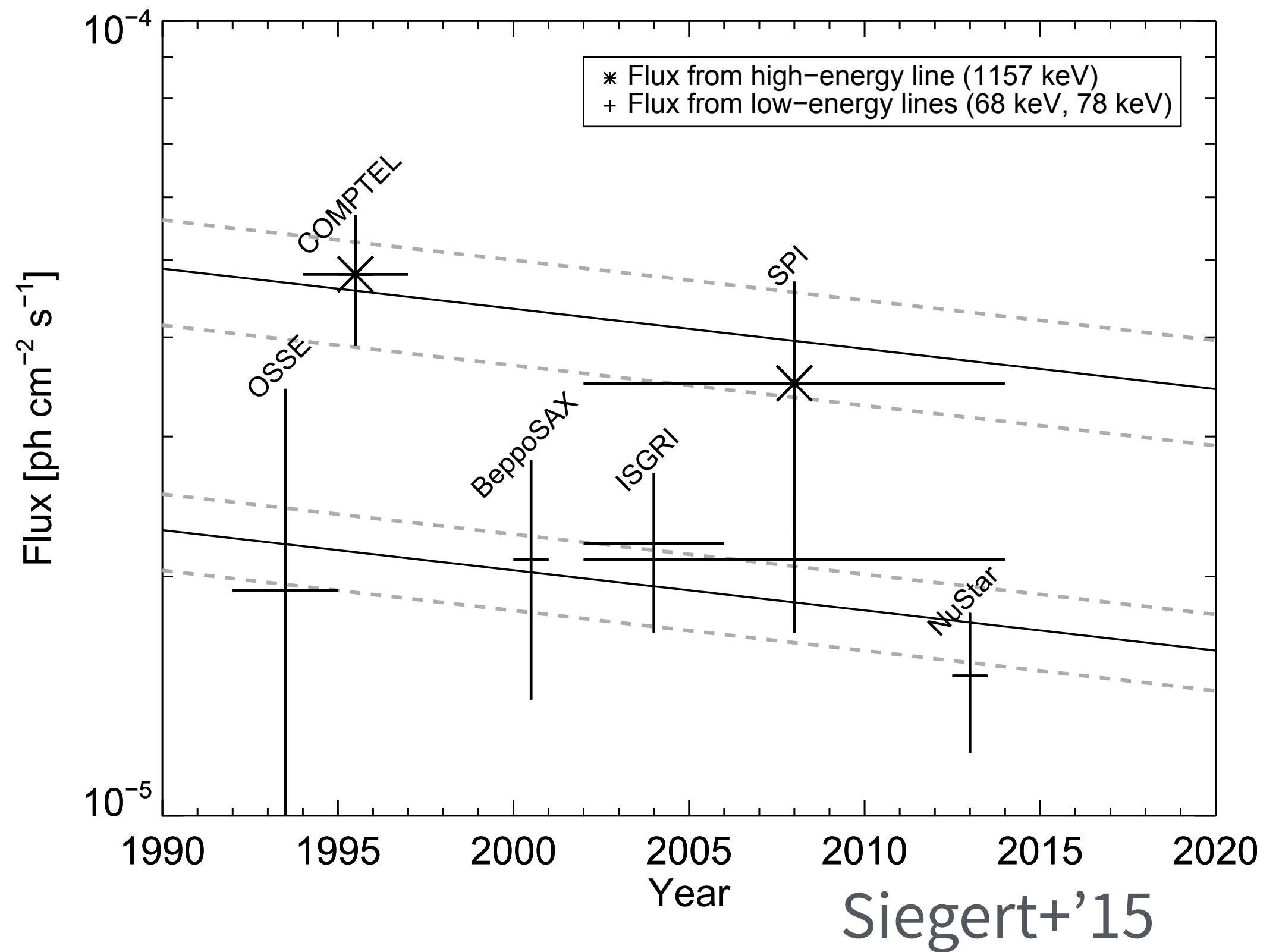


# COMPTEL/INTEGRAL observation of Cas A

$^{44}\text{Ti}$  line @ 1.16 MeV

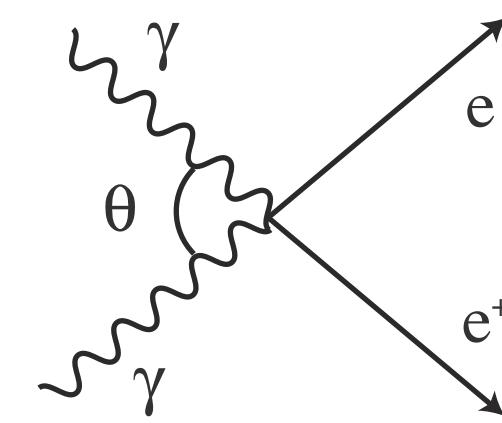


Iyudin+'94



Siegert+'15

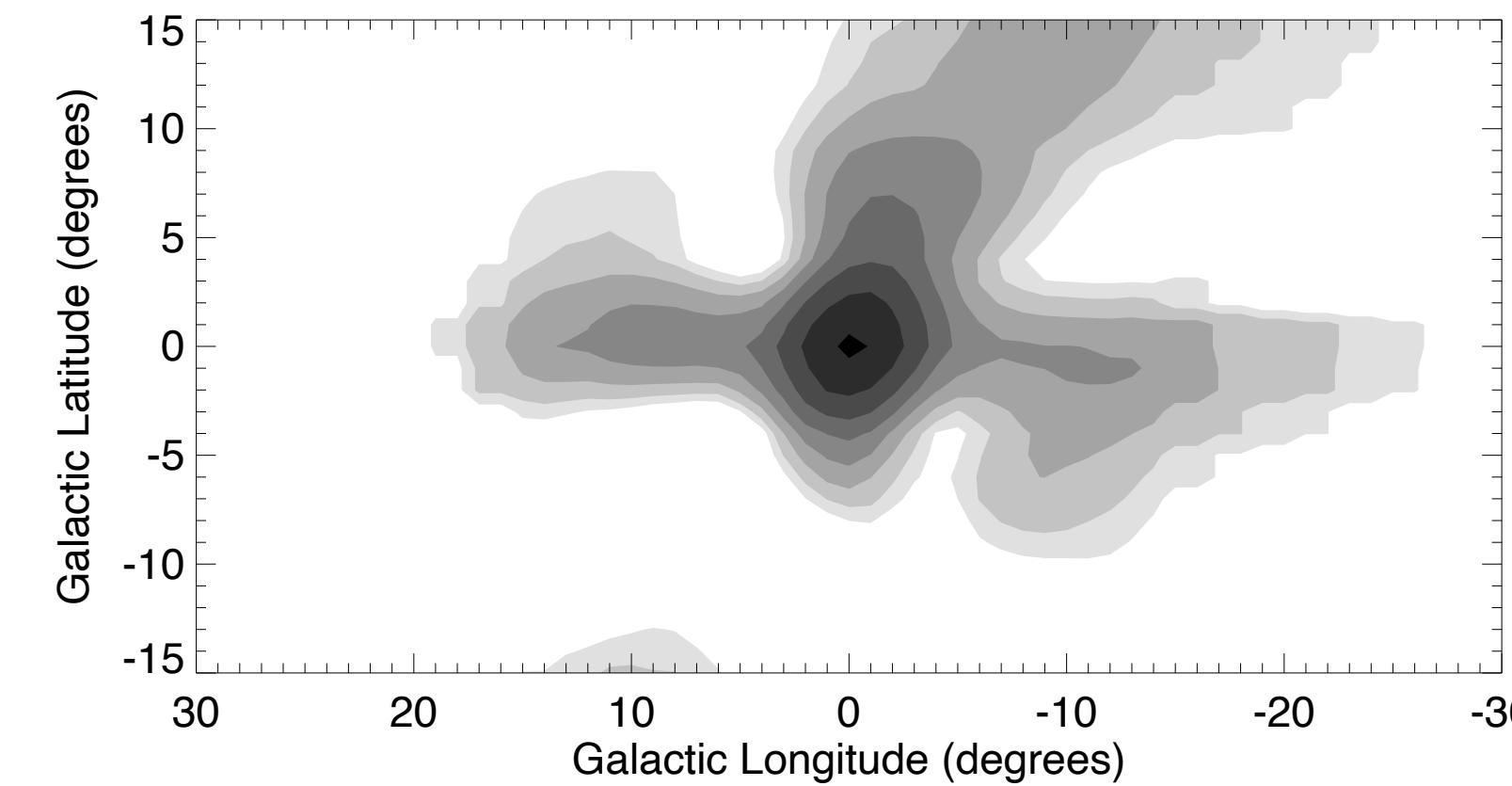
- 1.16 MeV  $^{44}\text{Ti}$  line from Cas A is detected
- Flux should change with time.



# Particle physics processes: Gamma-ray Lines

## 511 keV $e^+e^-$ annihilation line from Galactic Center

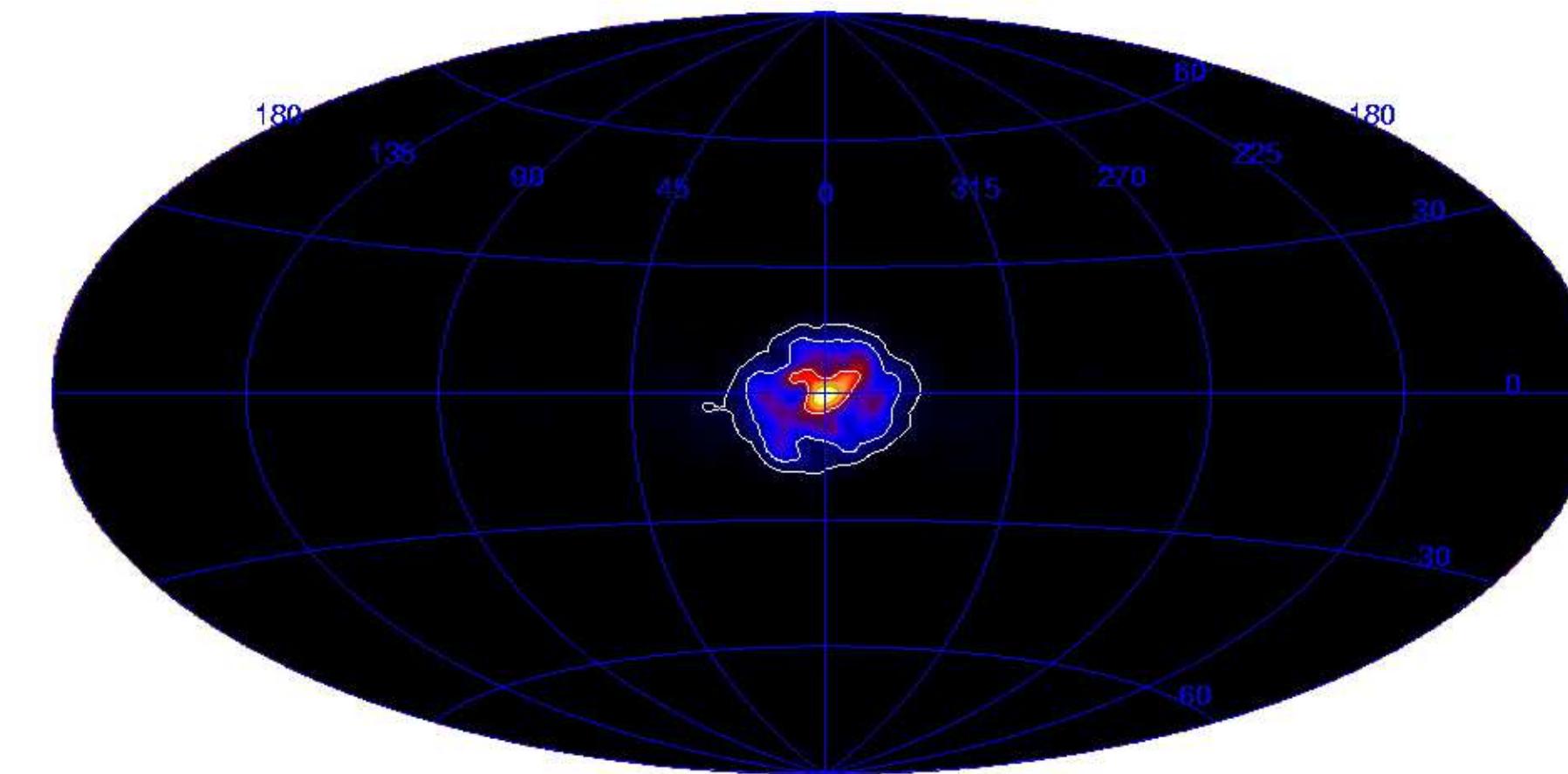
OSSE



Purcell+'97

- Clear excess toward the direction of the Galactic Center
- Detailed morphology is still not clear

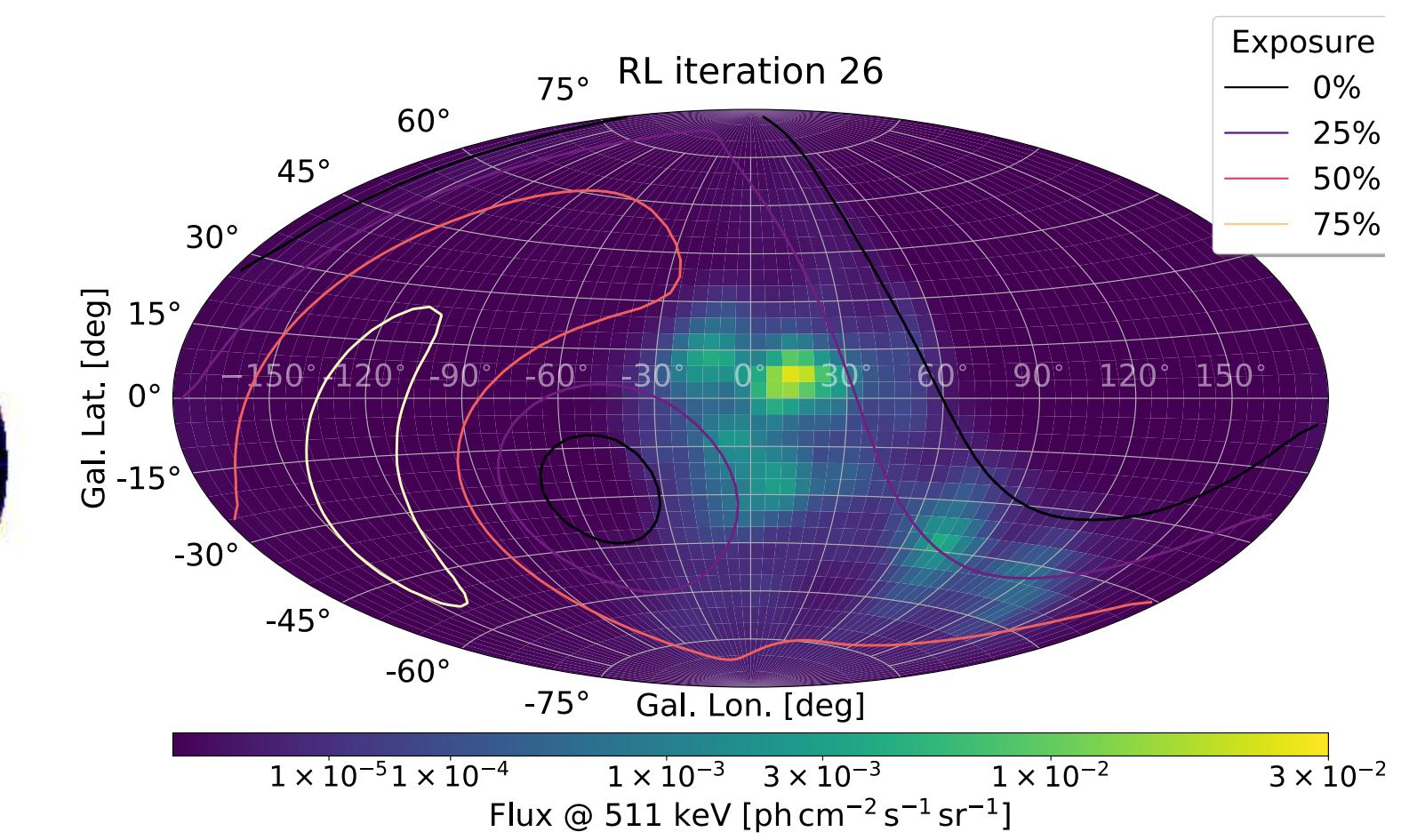
INTEGRAL



Knödlseder+'05

- Various origins are proposed
  - SNe Ia, LMXBs, Microquasars, RIAF,,, (e.g., Prantzos '06; Guessoum+'06; Totani '06)

COSI

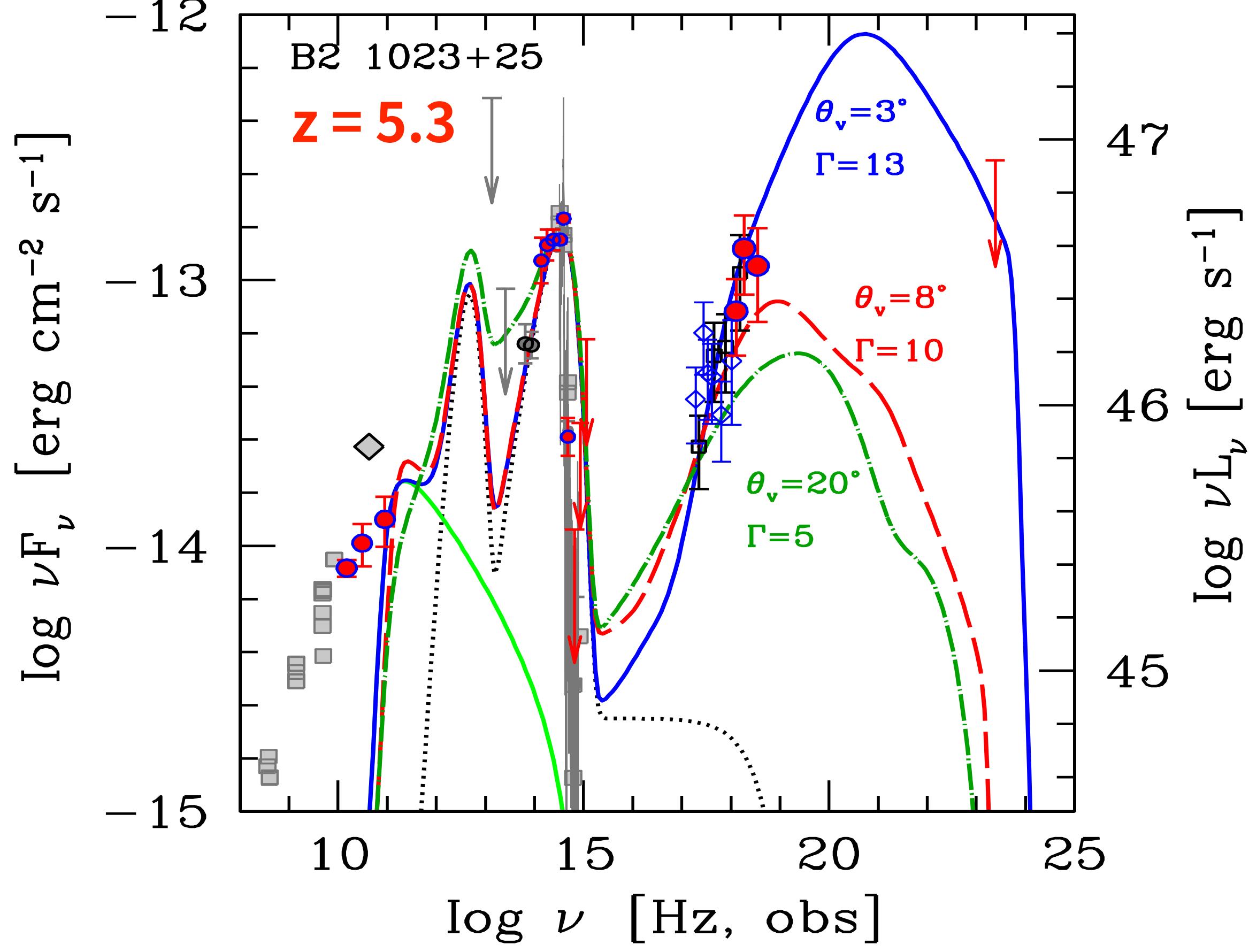


Sieger+'20



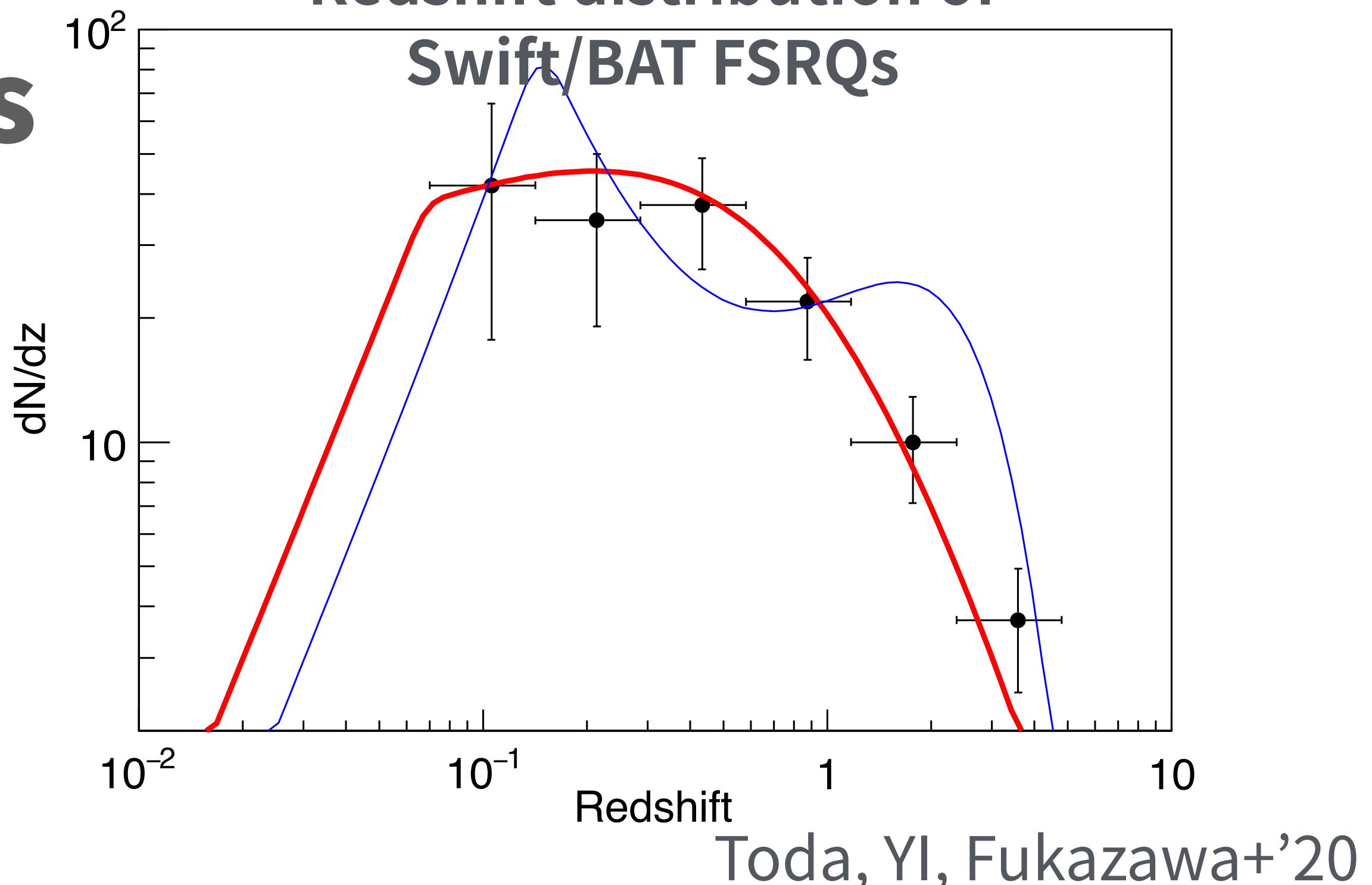
# High Redshift Blazars

## Probing the distant universe

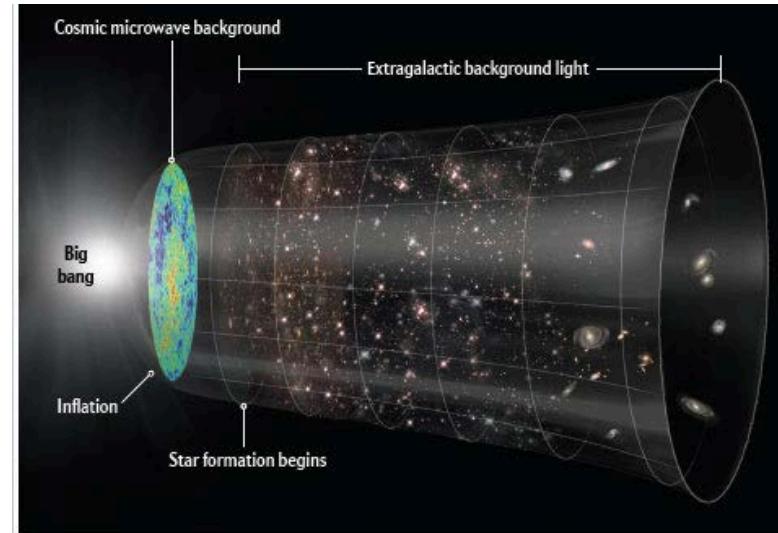


## Redshift distribution of

Swift/BAT FSRQs

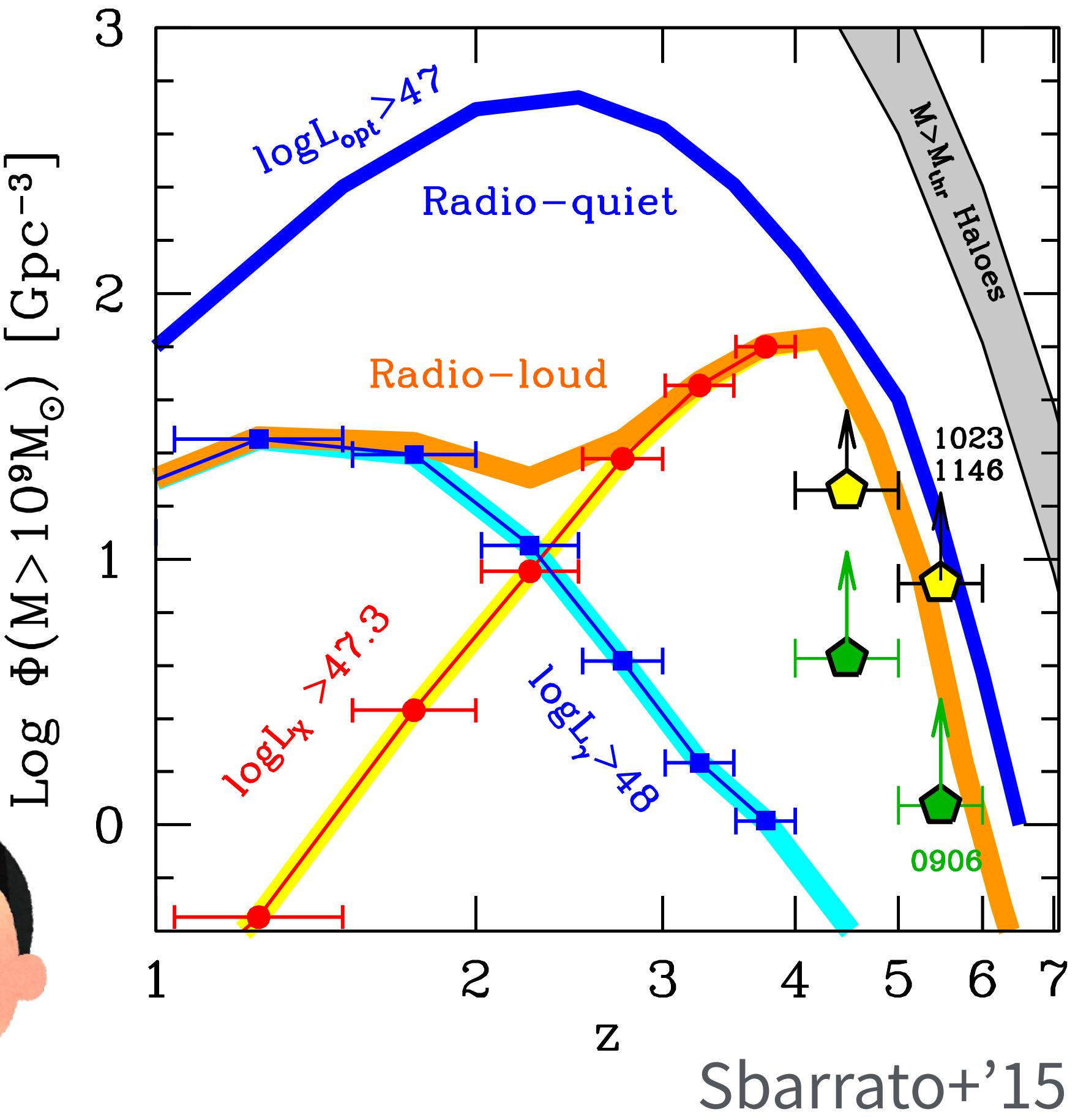


- Swift/BAT & NuSTAR report high redshift blazars, likely peaking at MeV
  - negative k-correction
- MeV gamma-ray can study high redshift universe.

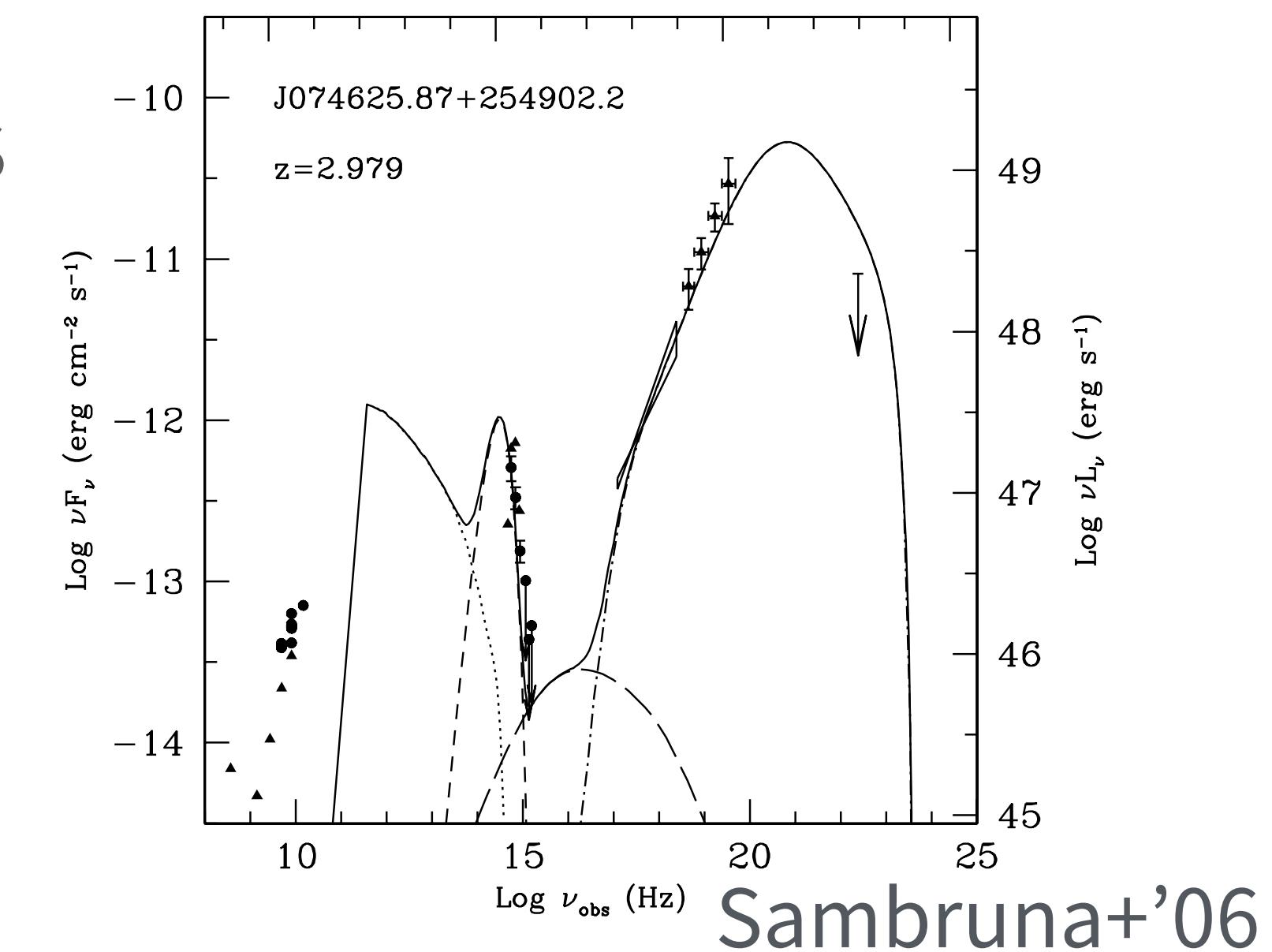


# Evolution of Blazars

## Inconsistency in X-ray and Gamma-ray?

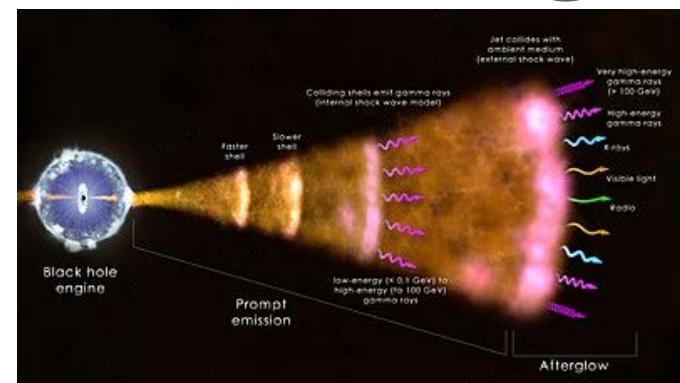


- Gamma-ray blazars show evolutionary peak at  $z \sim 1-2$  (e.g., YI & Totani'09; Ajello,YI+'15)
- But, it is at  $z \sim 3-4$  for X-ray blazars (Ajello+'09, see also Toda, Fukazawa, YI'20).
- More MeV blazars are needed (e.g., Blom+'96; Sambruna+'06).

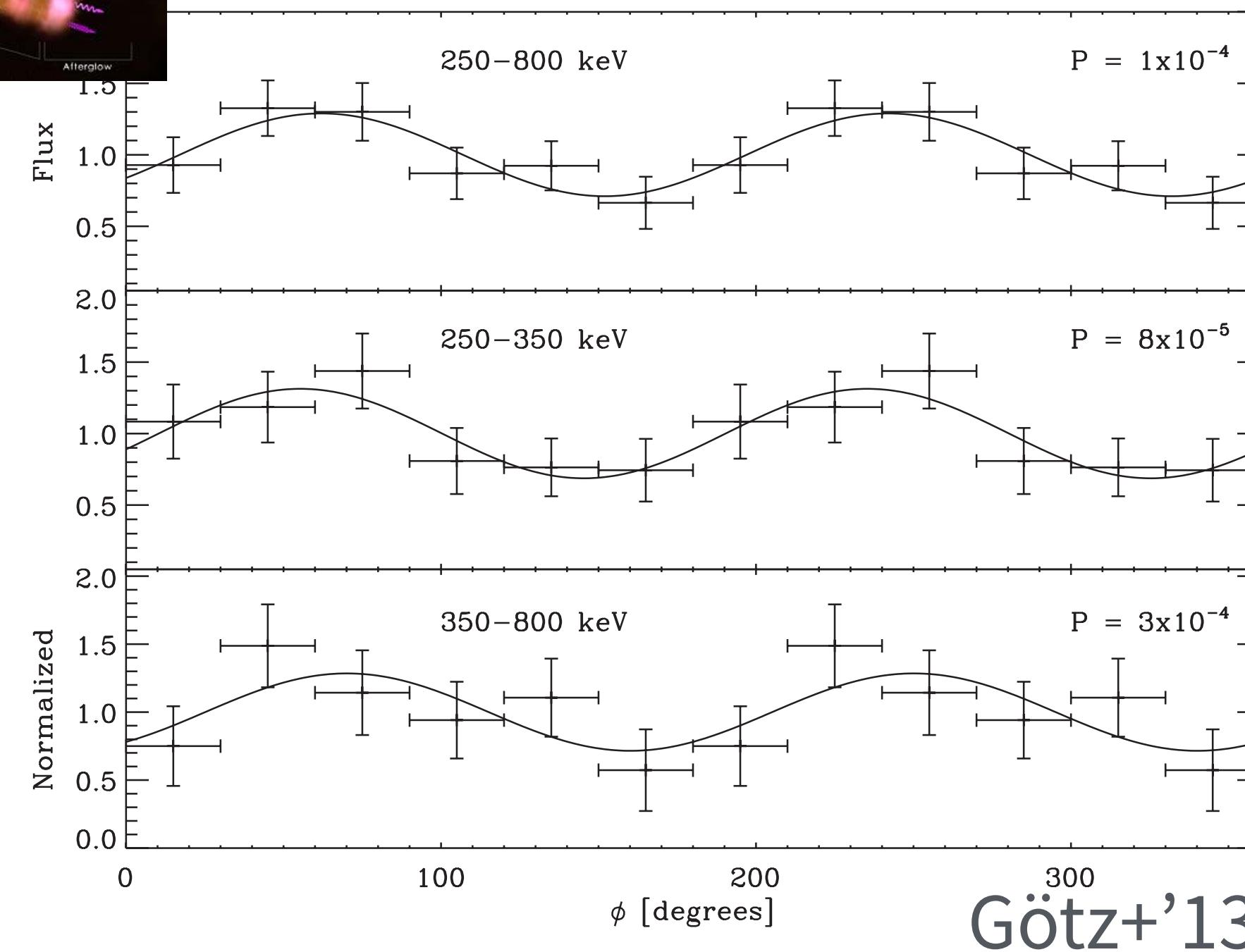


# Gamma-ray Polarization

Probing the structure using Compton kinematics

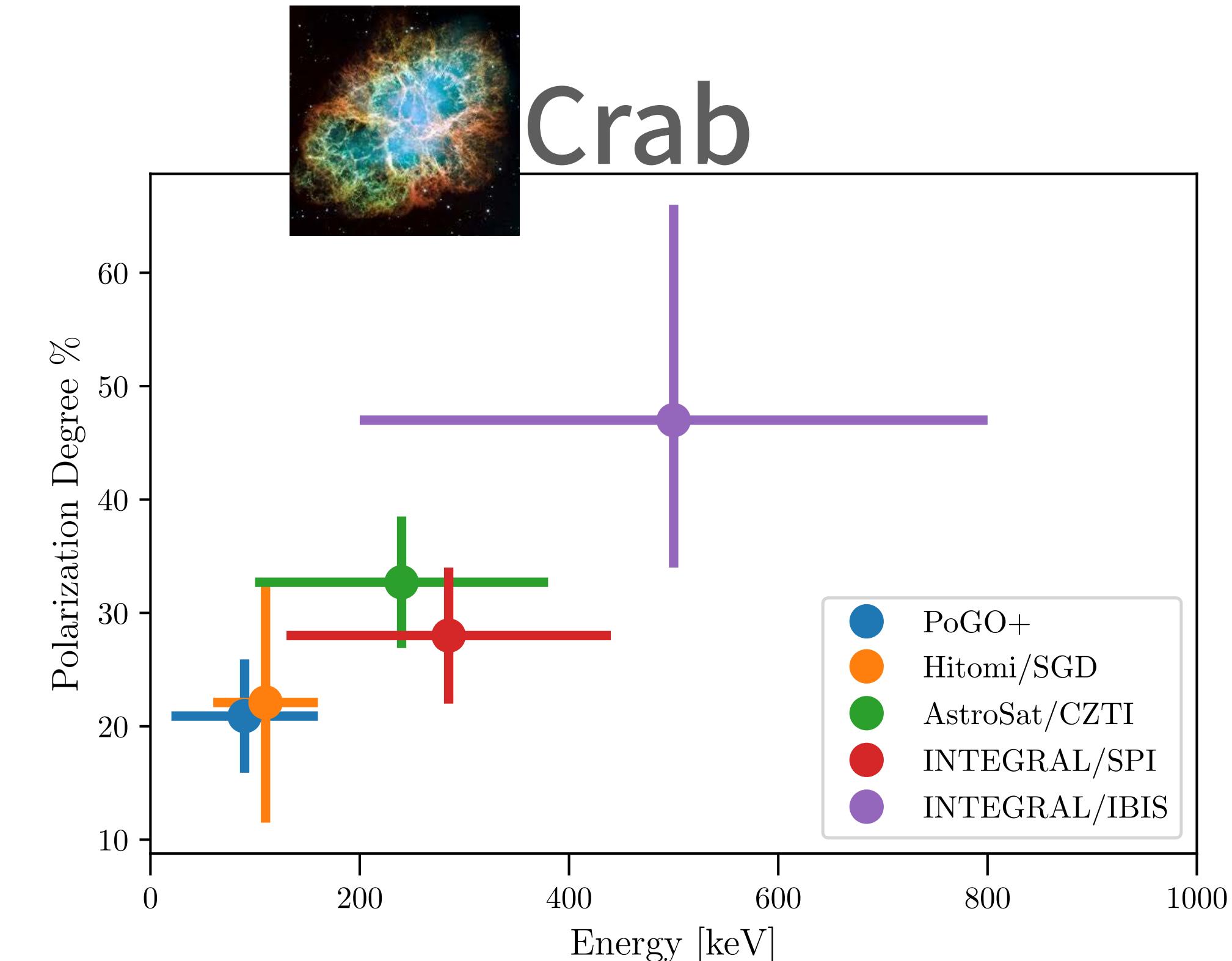


GRB 061122



Götz+'13

- Linear polarization measurement of GRB prompt emission in 250-800 keV by INTEGRAL (Götz+'13)

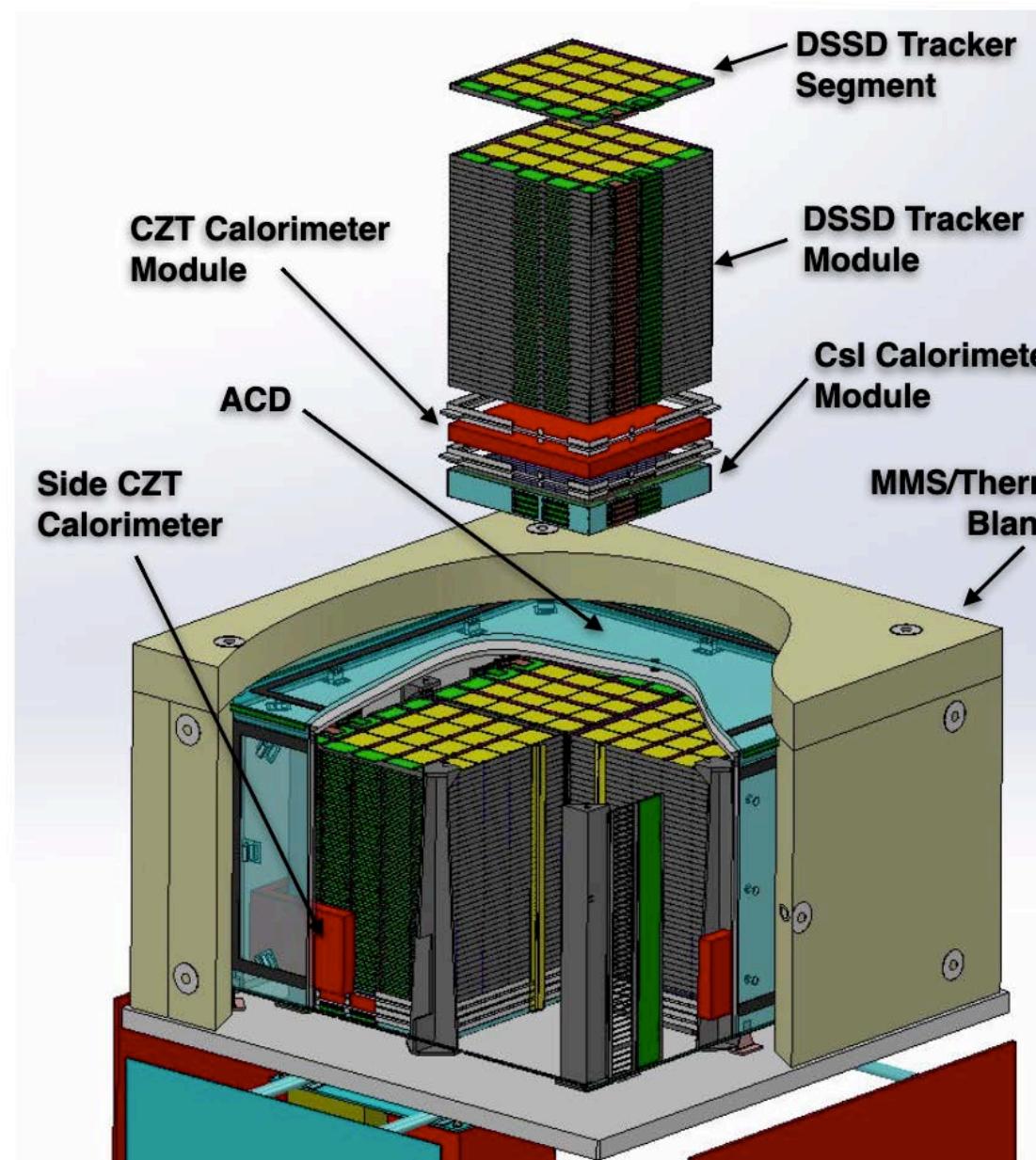


- Increase of polarization degree in Crab nebula (PoGo+, Hitomi, AstroSat, INTEGRAL)?

# Proposed MeV Gamma-ray Missions

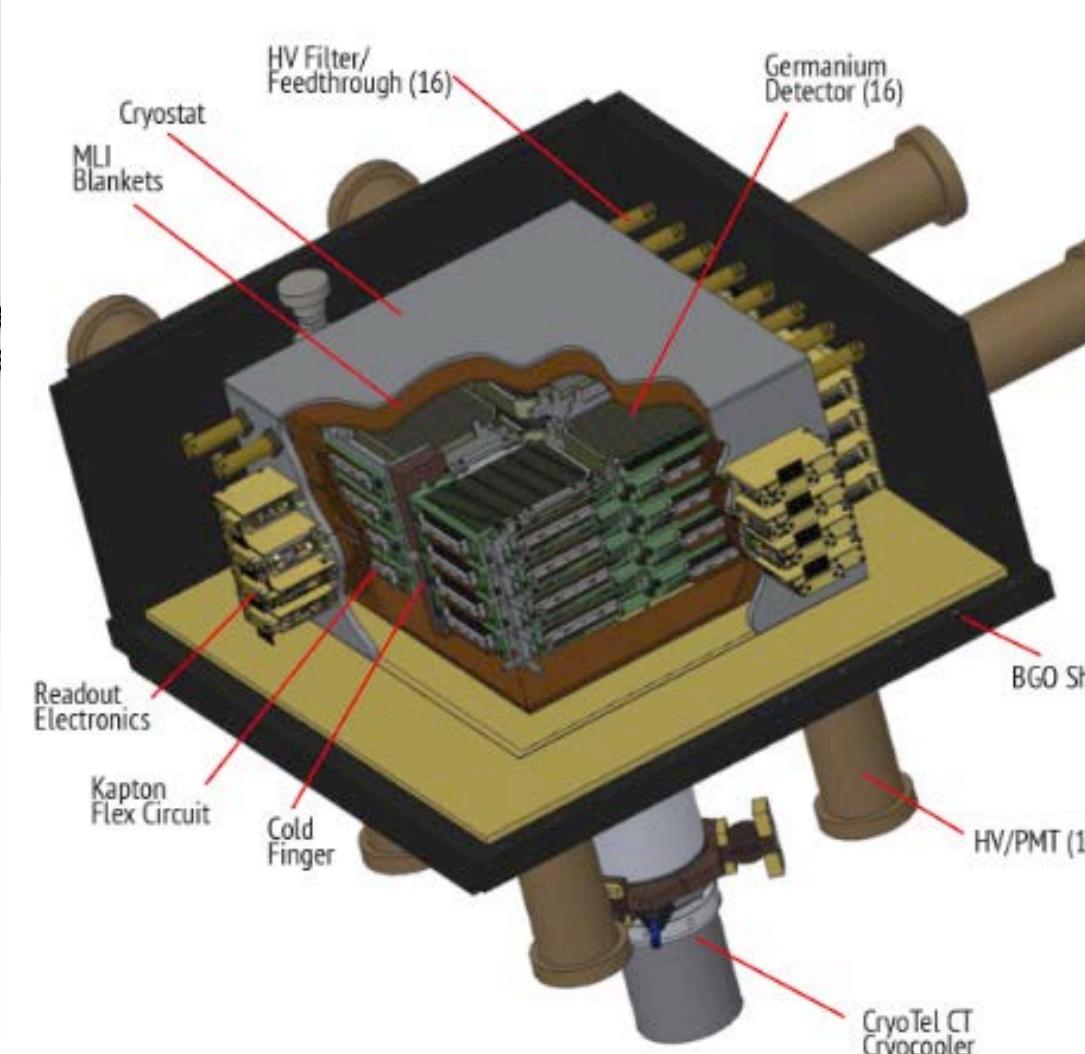
Not complete,,,

## Solid



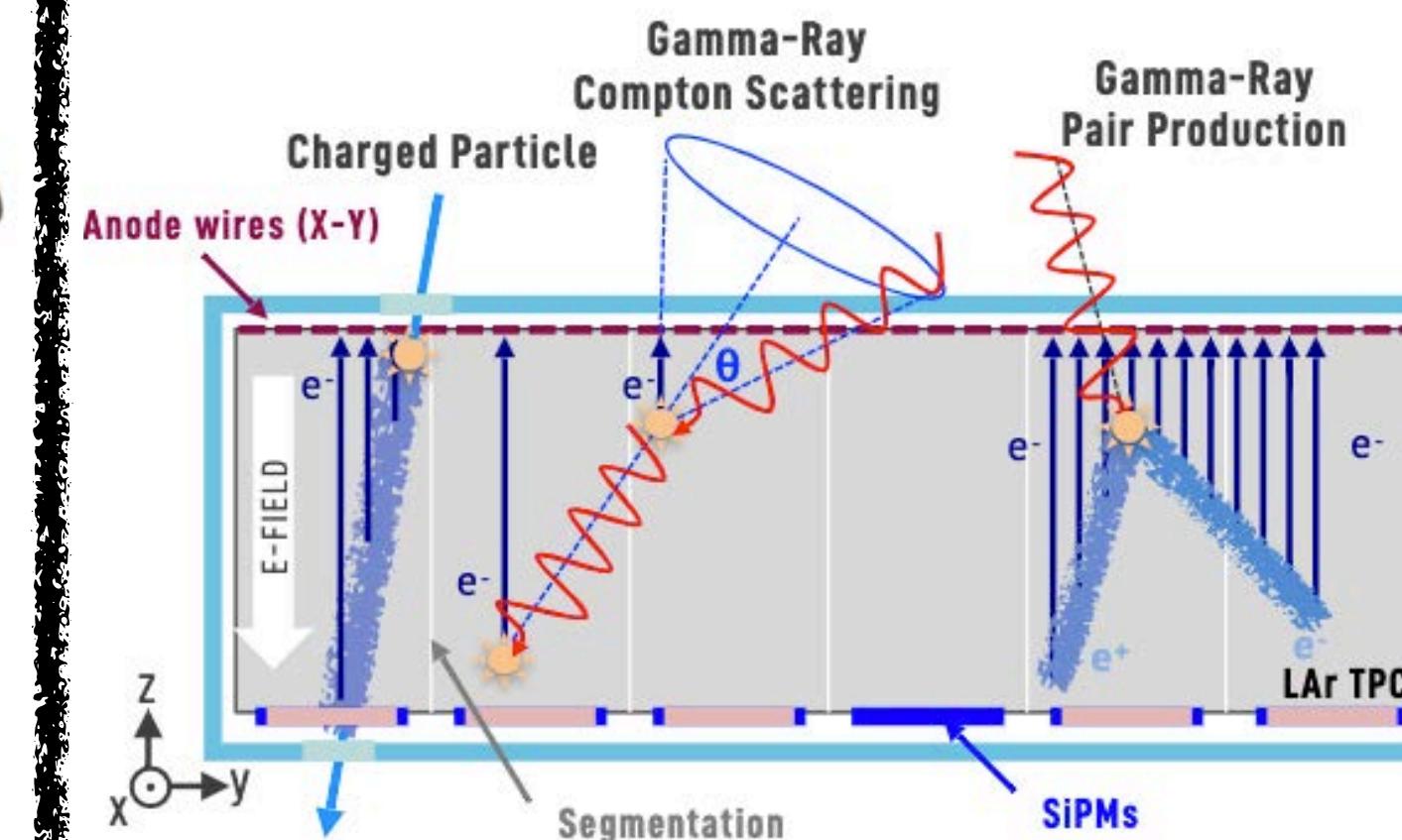
AMEGO

See talk by Zoglauer



COSI

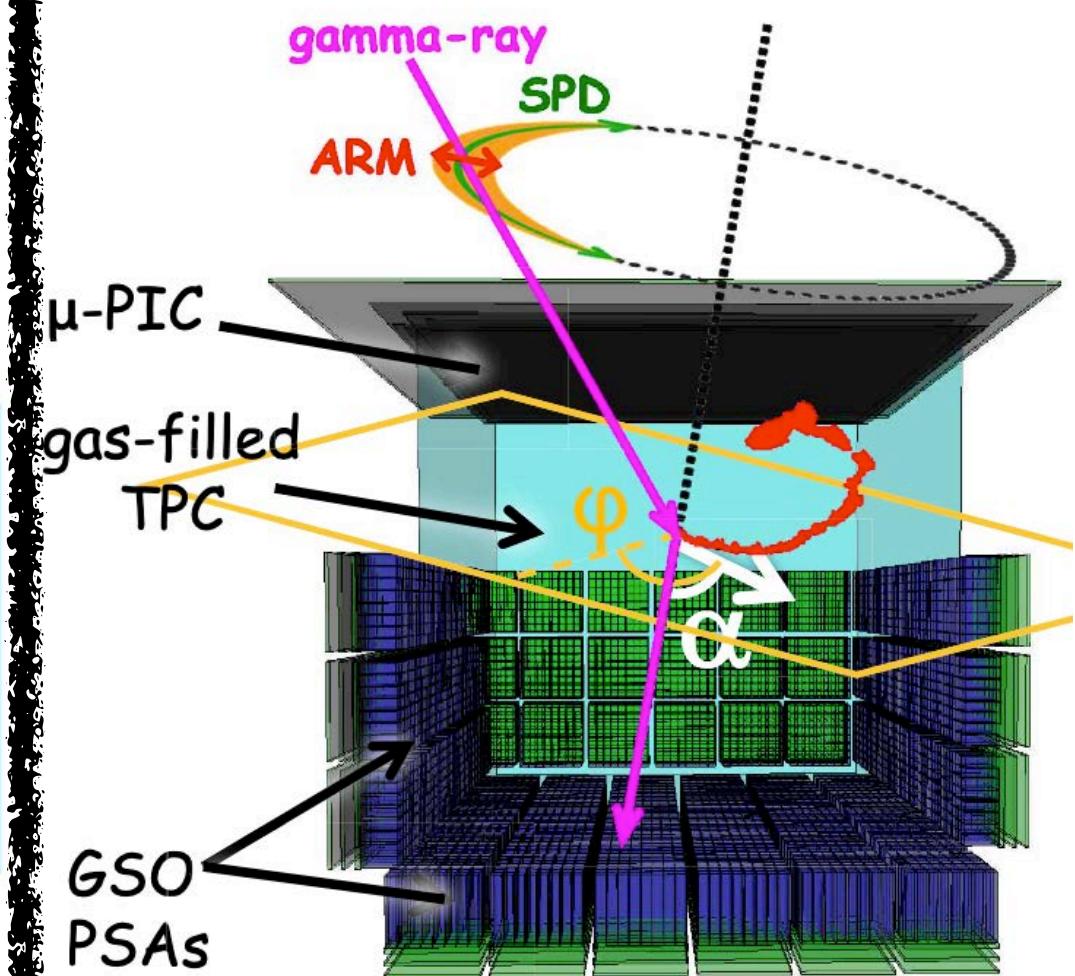
## Liquid



GRAMS

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## Gas

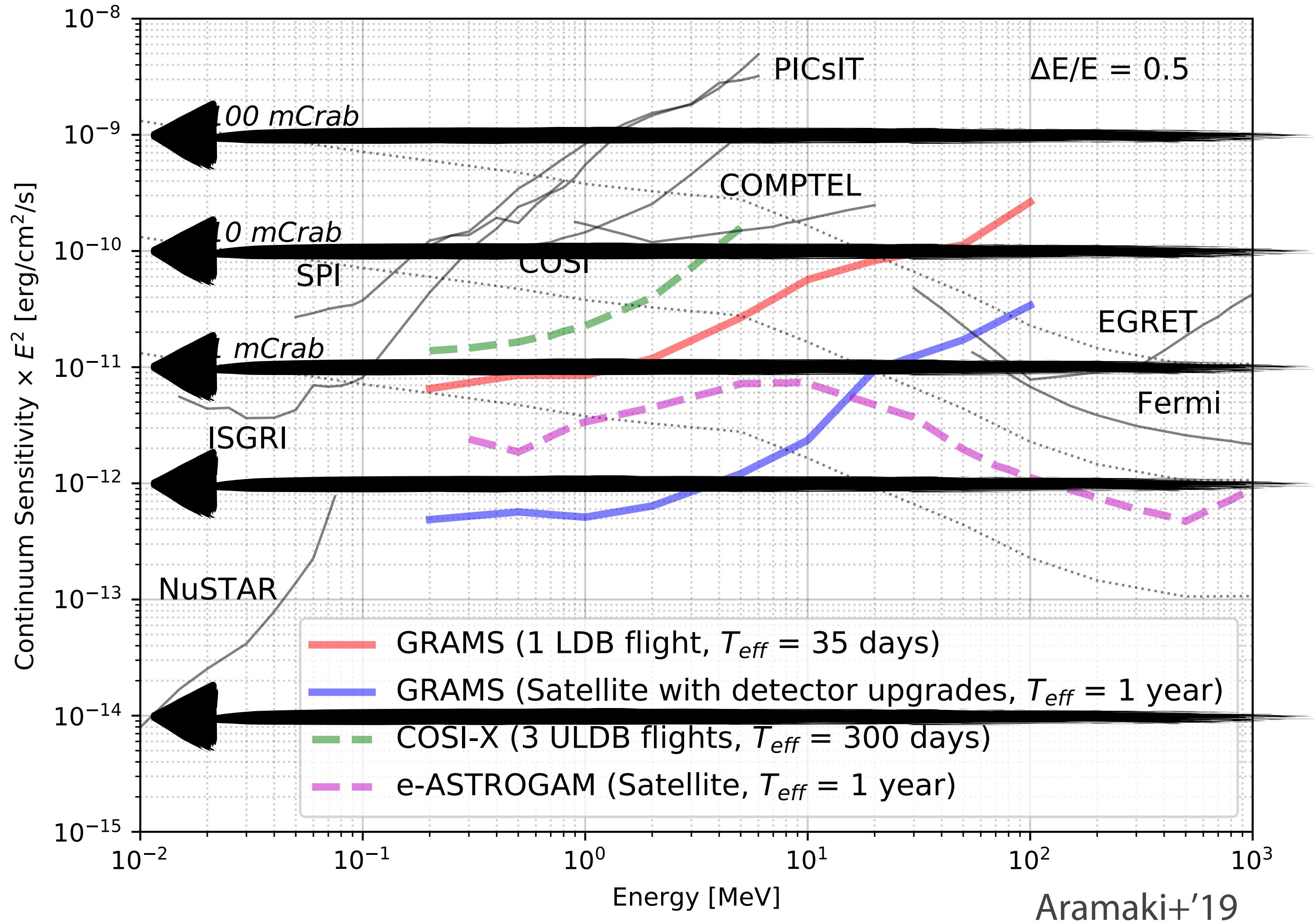


SMILE

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# Crude Estimates for MeV Science

What kind of sources can we see?

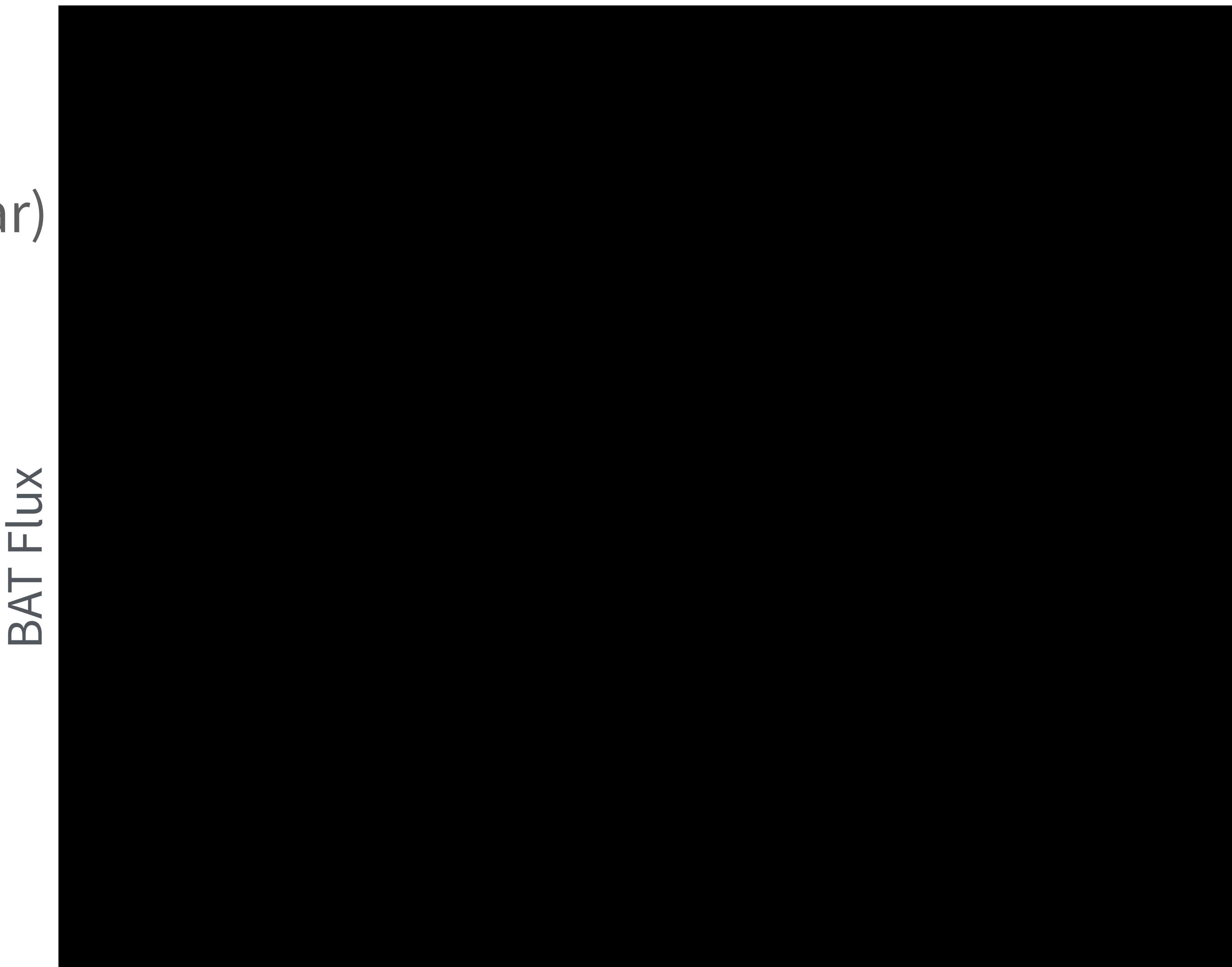


Aramaki+’19

# Expectation from Swift/BAT & Fermi/LAT

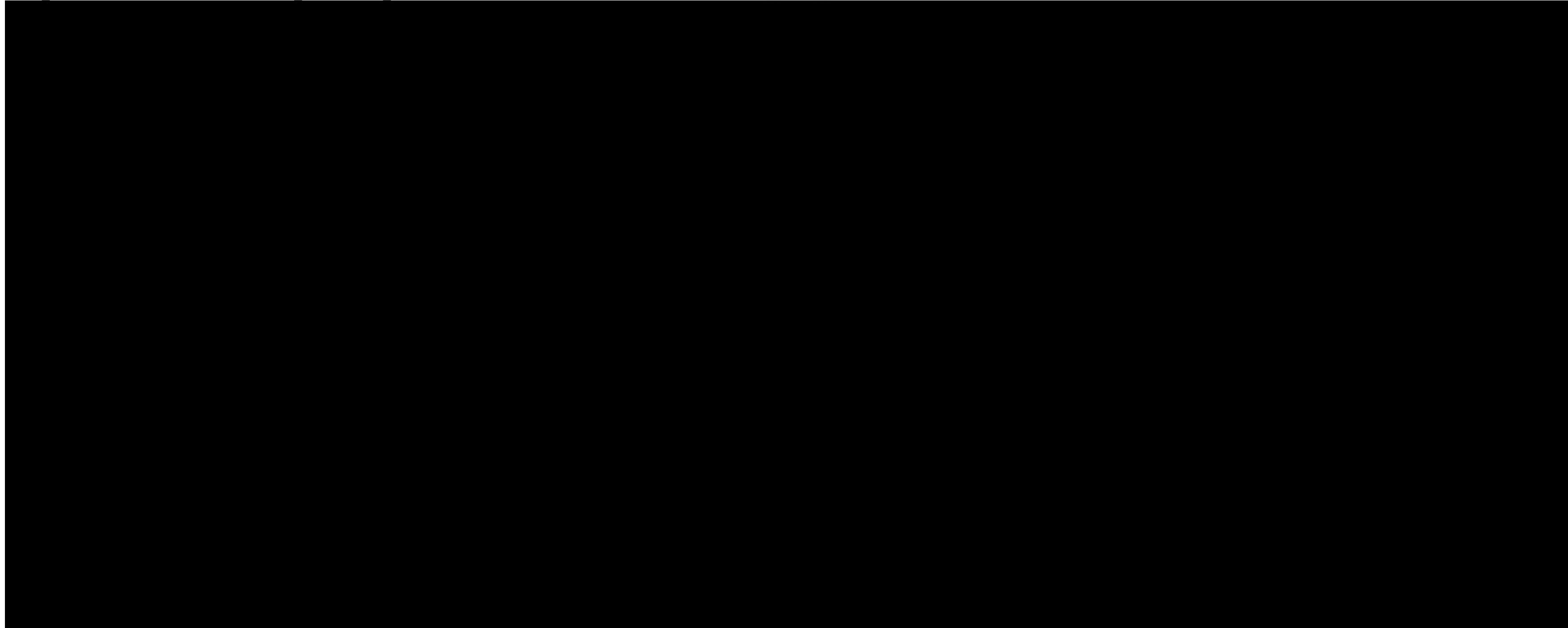
Realistic estimation for MeV Gamma-ray Astronomy in the next decade

- Spatially matching Swift/BAT 105-month catalog and 4FGL-DR2 (10 year) catalog.
  - $0.05^\circ$  (5% contamination)
- 135 matched objects
- Dominated by blazars: 89
  - Bimodal distribution in Photon index



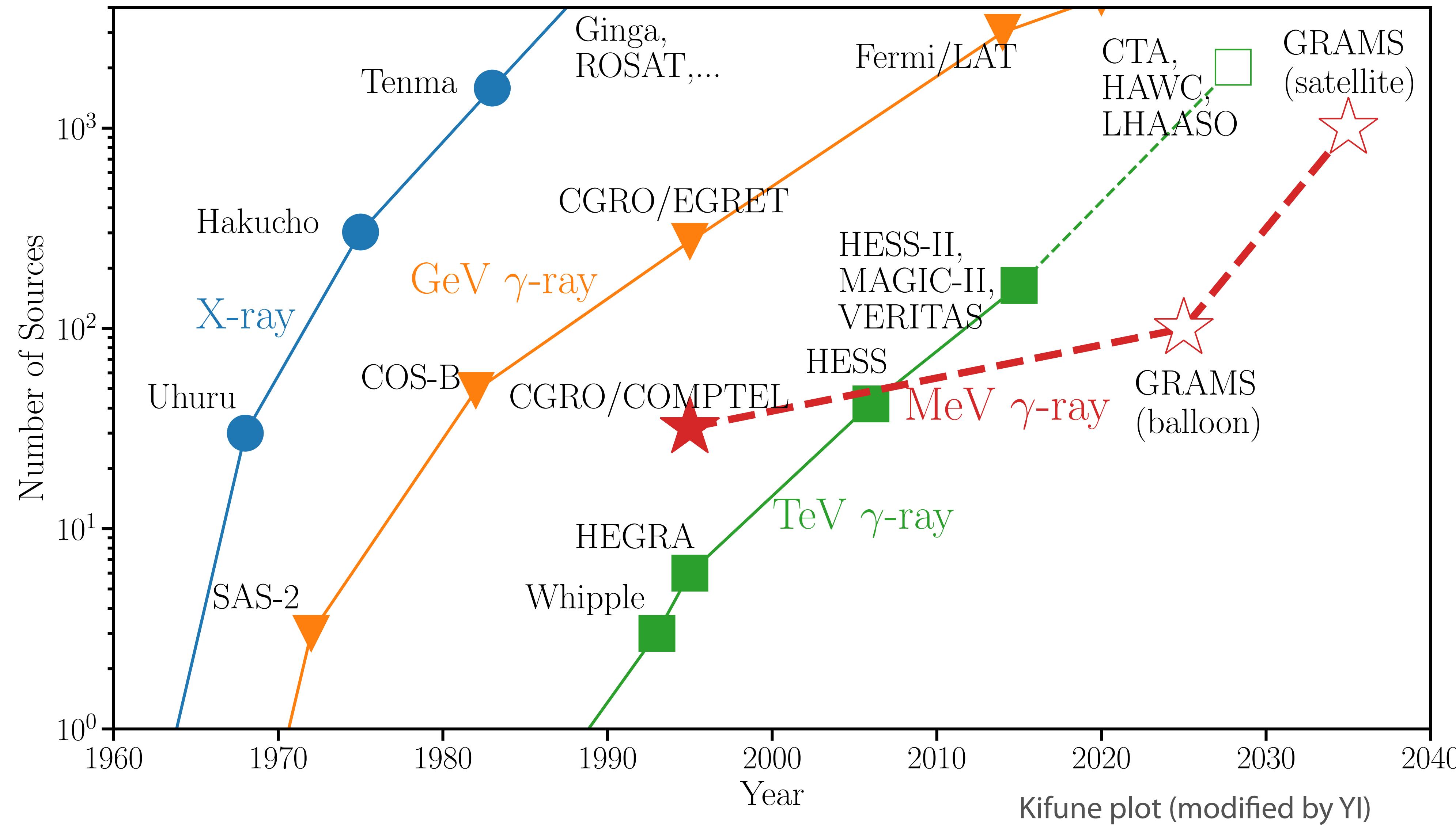
# BAT-LAT MeV objects sky distribution

Naomi Tsuji et al. in prep.



- Toward the future observation plan.
- Interpolate MeV gamma-ray spectra of the Tsuji catalog
- Number of objects having MeV flux of
  - $> 10^{-10}$  erg/cm<sup>2</sup>/s : **23 sources**
  - $> 10^{-11}$  erg/cm<sup>2</sup>/s : **67 sources**

# Number of Gamma-ray Objects



# Summary

What's we need to accomplish? A: **Operation of MeV balloons/satellites.**

- A MeV gamma-ray observatory can bring various discoveries to us
  - nuclear astrophysics, cosmic evolution, high energy phenomena, dark matter particles
- Variety of Compton Cameras are proposed
  - Solid (AMEGO, COSI), Liquid (GRAMS), & Gas (SMILE)
- Latest Swift/BAT & Fermi/LAT catalogs tell us
  - @  $> 10^{-10}$  erg/cm<sup>2</sup>/s : 23 sources
  - @  $> 10^{-11}$  erg/cm<sup>2</sup>/s : 67 sources (Mostly blazars)