

Gamma-ray emitting binaries

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Gamma-ray emitting binaries (GREBs)

- **Gamma-ray binaries** (γ Bs) are binary systems whose spectral energy distribution peaks at energies $E \geq 1$ MeV.
- **Microquasars** (μ Qs) are binary systems powered by accretion onto a black hole or neutron star that display relativistic jets.
- **Colliding wind binaries** (CWBs) are binaries in which powerful stellar outflows develop strong shocks that can give rise to gamma-ray emission.
- **Novae** explosions are thermonuclear bursts in binary systems following strong accretion episodes onto the surface of a white dwarfs

Despite this heterogeneous sample, they all share a common property: their emission **physics can be constrained thanks to the periodic variation** of the physical conditions taking place within and around the binary system.

GREBs today

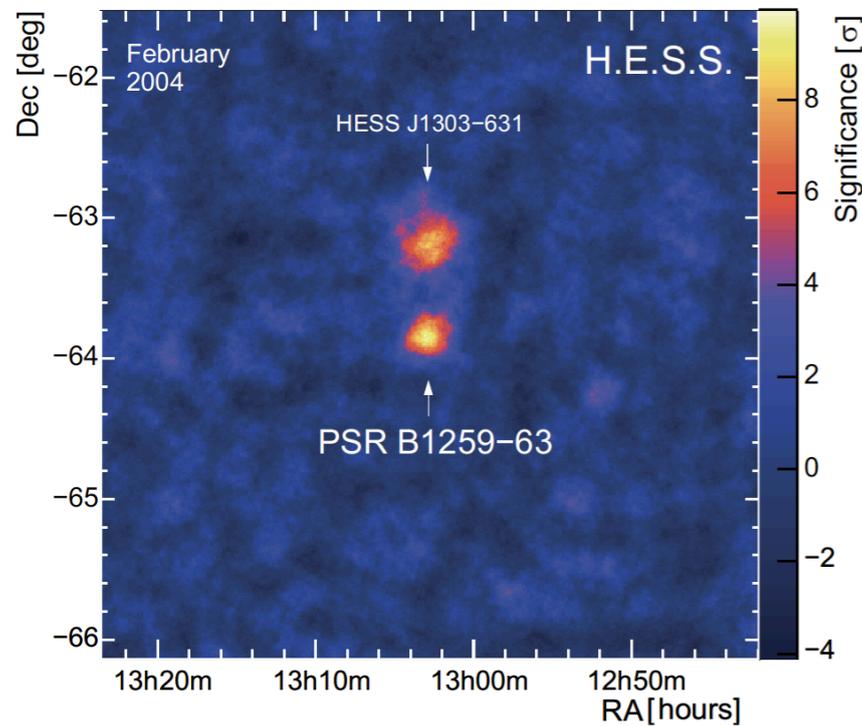
γ Bs	PSR B1259–63 [1], LS 5039 [2], LS I +61 303 [3], HESS J0632+057 [4], 1FGL J1018.6–5856 [5], LMC–P3 [6], PSR J2032+4127 [7], HESS J1832–093 [8] 4FGL J1405.1-6119 [9], HESS J1828-099* [10]
μ Qs	Cyg X-3 [11], Cyg X-1 [12], SS433 [13], V4641 Sgr [?] V404 Gyg* [14], AGL J2241+4454* [15]
CWBs	Eta Carinae [16], γ^2 Velorum [17], HD 93129A* [18]
Novae	V407 Cyg 2010 [19], V1324 Sco 2012 [20], V959 Mon 2012 [21], V339 Del 2013 [22], V1369 Cen 2013 [23], V5668 Sgr 2015 [24], V5855 Sgr [25], V5856 Sgr [26], V549 Vel [27], V357 Mus [28], V906 Car [29], V392 Per [30], V3890 Sgr [31], V1707 Sco [32], YZ Ret [33], V1674 Her [34], RS Oph [35]

updated from [Paredes & Bordas \(2019\)](#)

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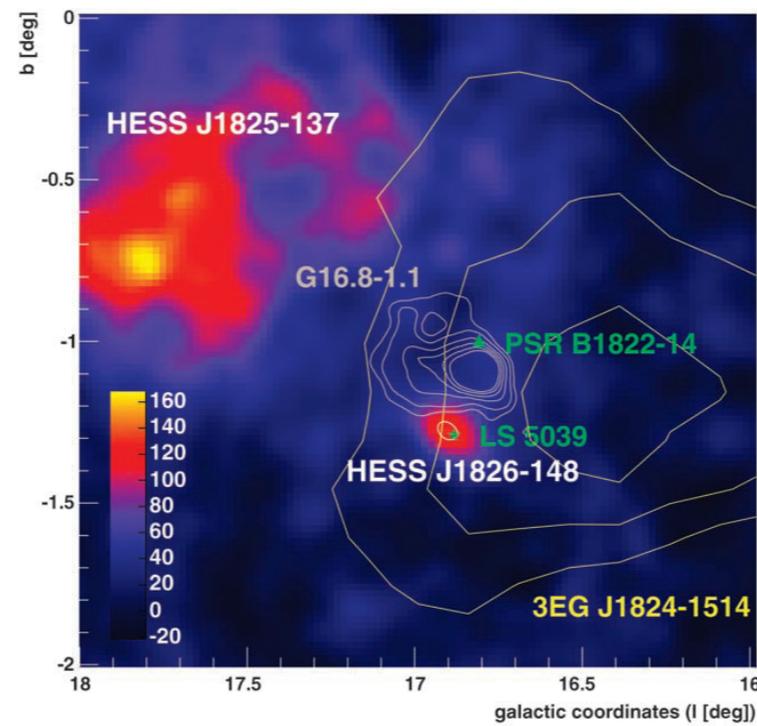
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PSR B1259-63



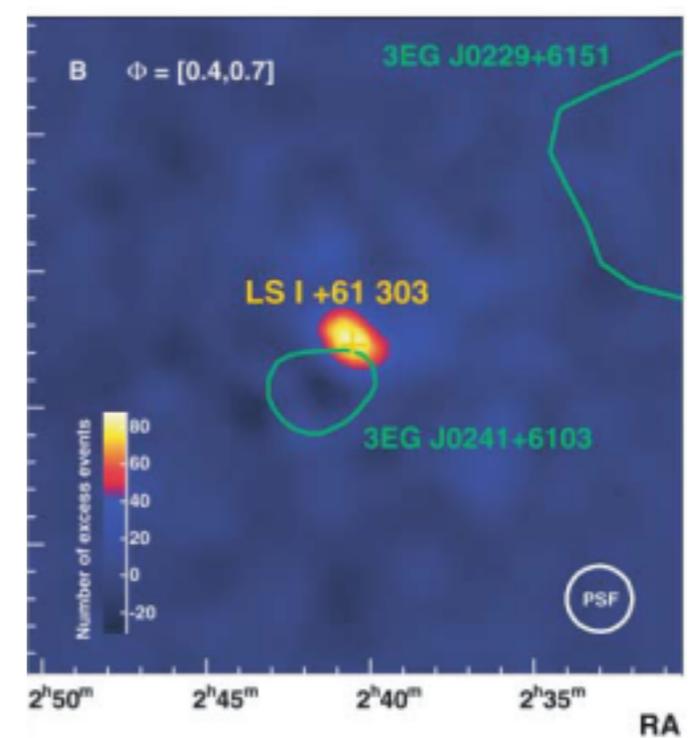
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LS 5039



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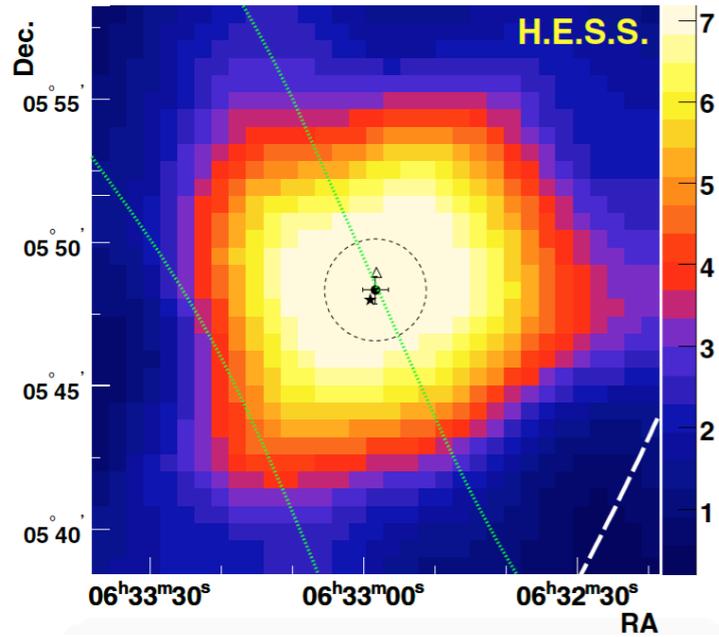
LS I +61 303



Albert et al. (2006)
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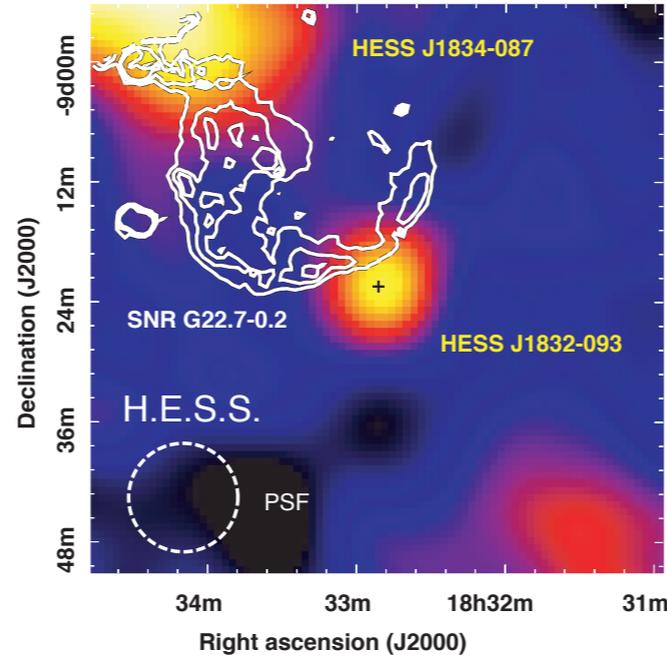
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HESS J0632+057



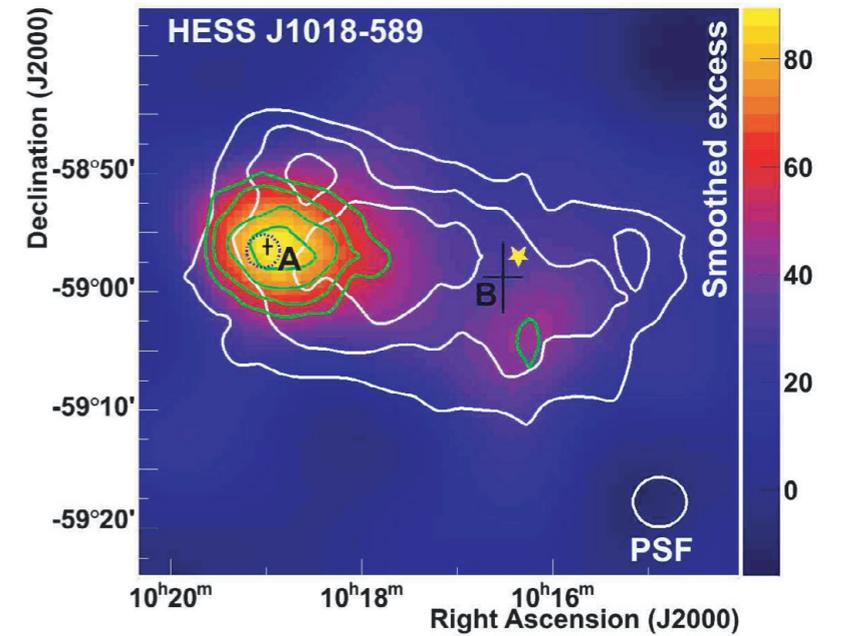
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HESS J1832-093



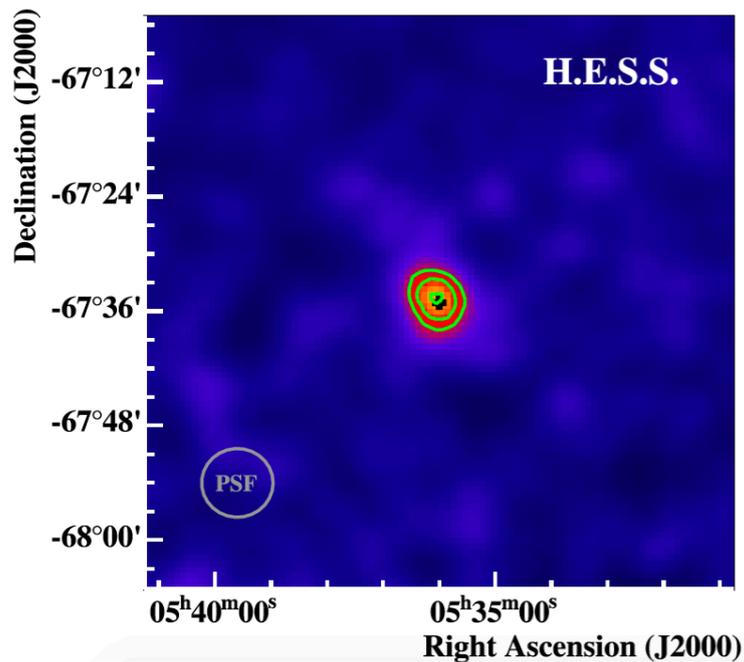
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1FGL J1018.6-5856



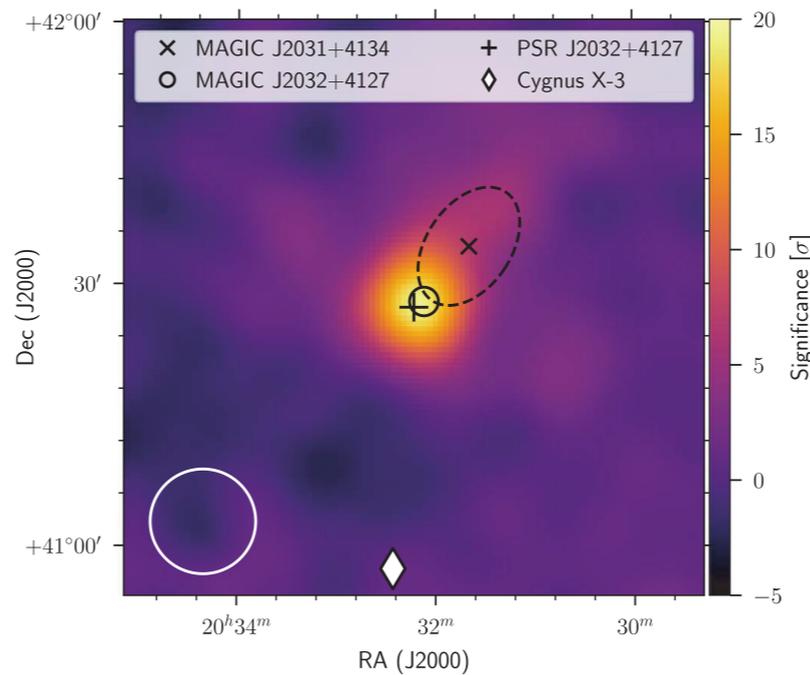
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LMC P3



H.E.S.S. Col. (2018)

PSR J2032+4127



Abeysekara et al. (2018)

4FGL J1405.1-6119



Corbet et al. (2019)

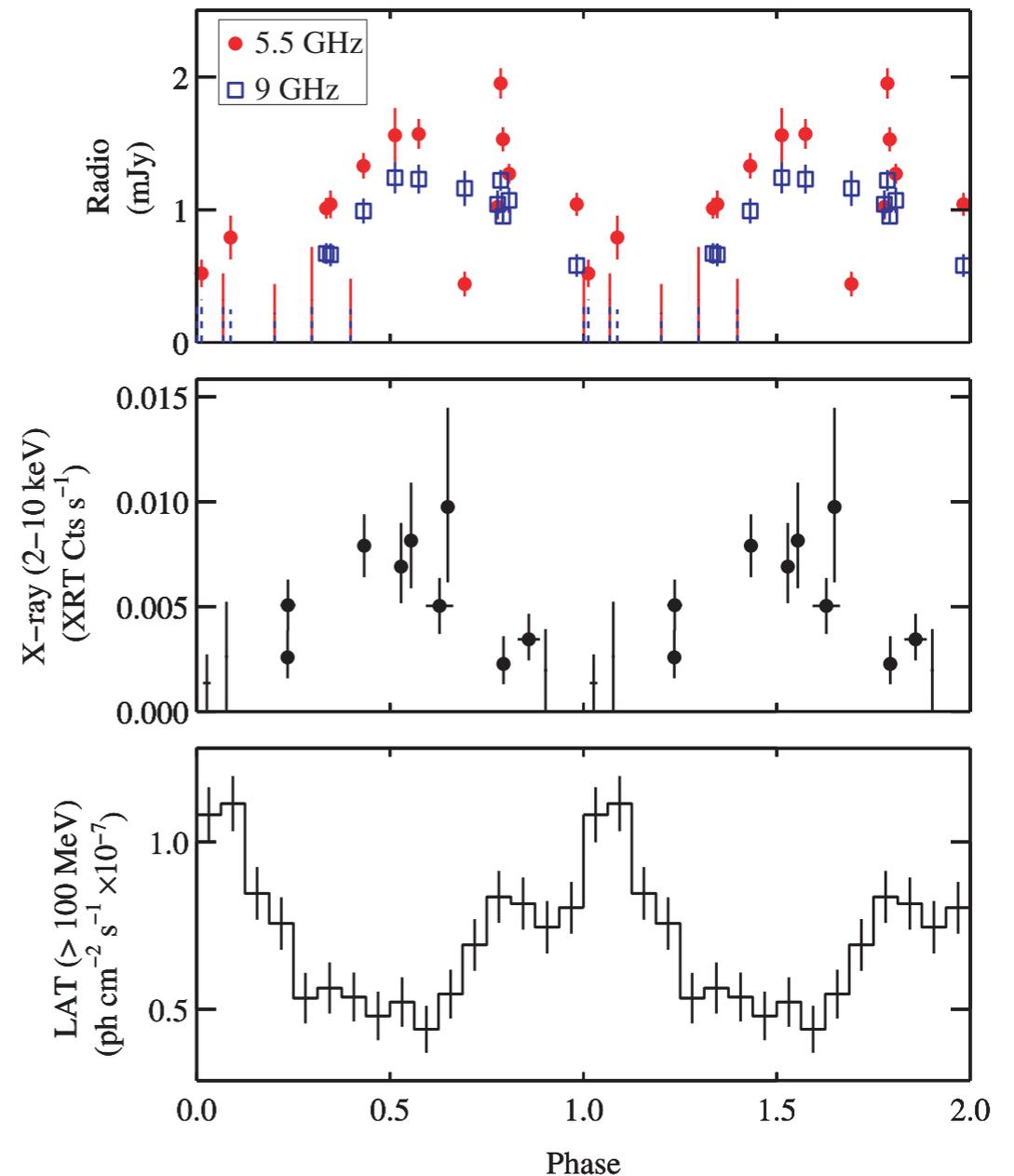
Gamma-ray binaries (γ Bs)

	HE	VHE	Class	Components	P_{orbit}
PSR B1259-63	yes	yes	PSR binary	Oe + NS	~3.4 yrs
LS I +61 303	yes	yes	PSR binary	B0 Ve + NS	26.5 d
HESS J0632+057	yes	yes	?	B0 pe + ?	317.3 d
PSR J2032+4127	~yes	yes	PSR binary	B0 Ve + PSR	~50 yrs
HESS J1832-093	yes	yes	?	B8V - B1.5V + ?	86.3 d
LS 5039	yes	yes	PSR binary (?)	ON6.5V + PSR?	3.9 d
1FGL J1018.6–5856	yes	yes	?	O6V + ?	16.5 d
LMC P3	yes	yes	?	O5III + ?	10.3 d
4FGL J1405.1-6119	yes	no	?	O6.5 III + ?	13.7 d

A luminous gamma-ray binary in the LMC

Corbet et al., ApJ, 829, 10 (2016)

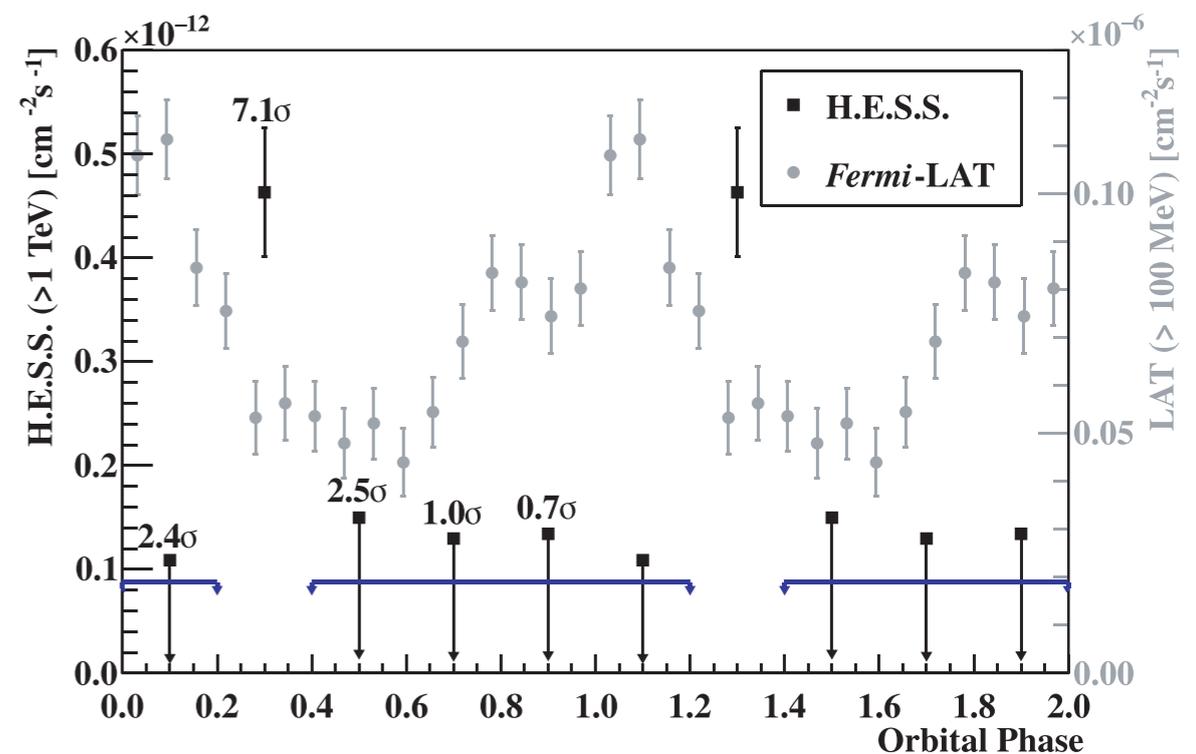
- Discovery following a **systematic blind-search** for periodic modulation - a method that turned to be rather successful: also 1FGL J1018 (LAT Col. 2012) and 4FGL J1405.1 (Corbet et al. 2022)
- **LMC P3: first γ B outside the Milky Way;** association with a HMXB (Seward et al. 2012, Bamba et al. 2006) containing a massive O5III companion, **inside SNR DEM L241**
- Variable X-ray, radio and HE γ -ray emission, periodically modulated ($P_{\text{orb}} = 13.3$ d); both radio and X-rays **anti-correlated with the HE emission**.
- **Strong similarities** to LS 5039, 1FGL J1018, but **significantly brighter**: (x4 at HE γ 's, x 10 in radio and X-rays (but similar O-star luminosity and orbital separation). If a PSR,
 $\dot{E} = 4.5 \times 10^{36} \text{erg s}^{-1}$



Highlights: detection of new γ Bs

Detection of variable VHE γ -rays from the extragalactic γ B LMC P3 H.E.S.S. Col. A&A, 610, L17 (2018)

- Deep H.E.S.S. campaign on the LMC (>270 h). For LMC P3 $t_{\text{obs}} > 100$ h. z-angle conditions + offset \Rightarrow $E_{\text{th}} \sim 700$ GeV; $\sim 6.4\sigma$ detection.
- **no periodicity based on H.E.S.S. data alone** (LS, Z-DCF tests), but **significant variability**. Phase-folded on $P_{\text{orb}} = 13.3$ d, emission detected **only at phases [0.2 - 0.4]**
- Spectrum well-fit with PL, $\Gamma = 2.0 \pm 0.4$, $L_{\text{VHE}} \sim 1.4e35$ erg/s, extending up to $E > 10$ TeV. Taking U_{\star} at 0.32 AU, IC in KN requires $E_e \sim 1\text{-}50$ TeV and $W_e = 2.5e38$ erg injected with $\Gamma_e \sim 1.5$. Cooling t_{ic} (KN) ~ 100 s. In a PSR scenario, a **spin-down power $> 1e36$ erg/s needed to sustain VHE emission alone.**
- VHE and HE are **anti-correlated** (= LS5039, but \neq 1FGL J1018) \Rightarrow $\gamma\gamma$ absorption, and/or **different emitter locations** (e.g. [Zabalza+ 2013](#))

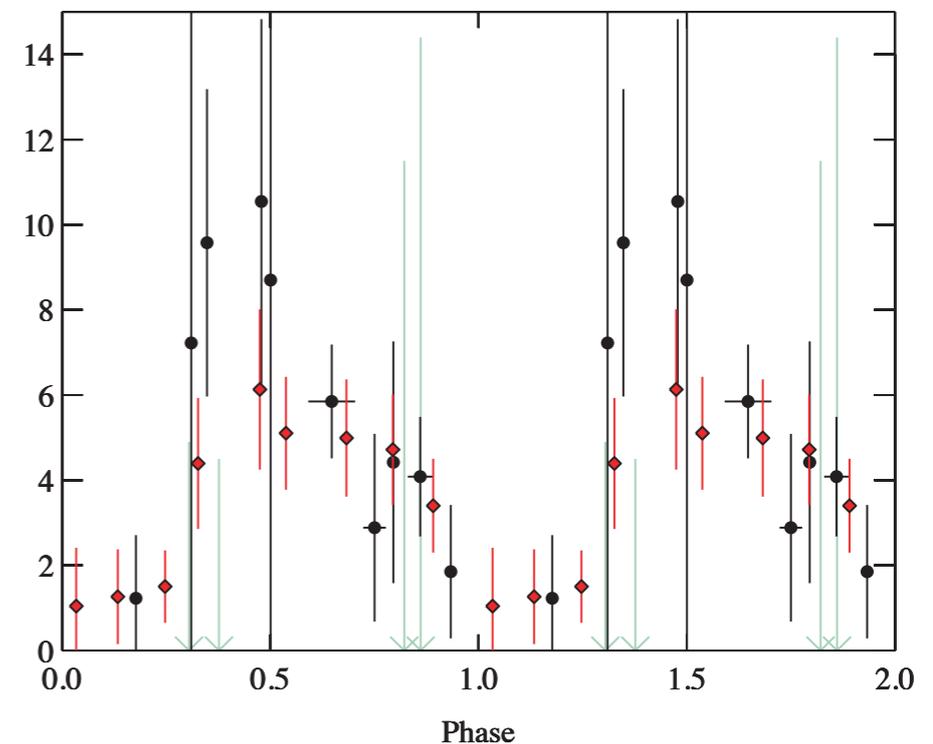
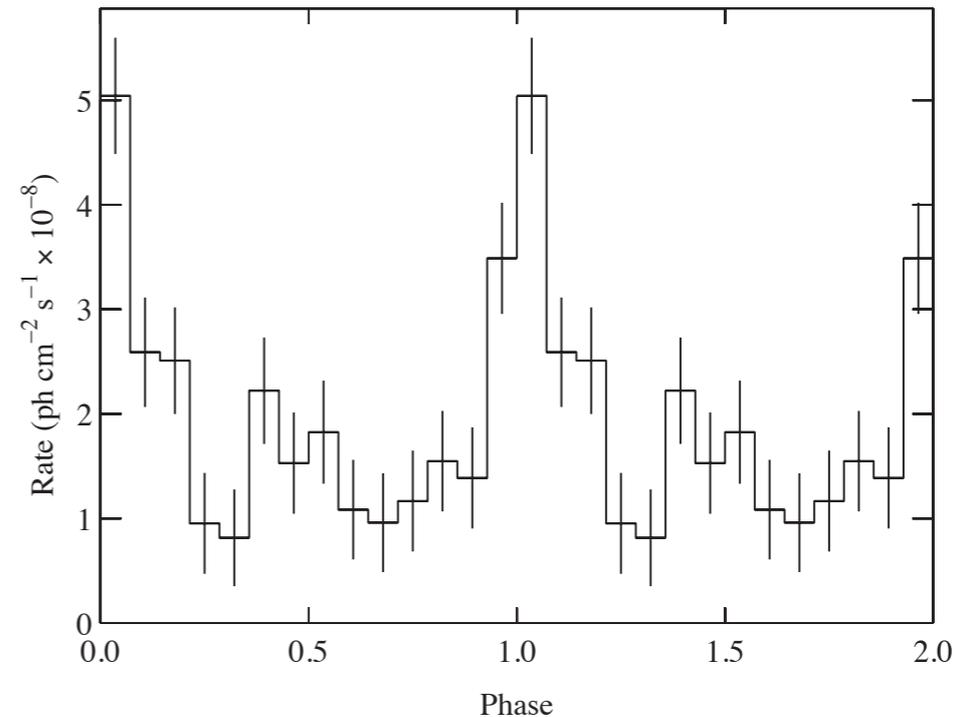


Highlights: detection of 4FGL J1405.1-6119

Discovery of the galactic high-mass γ B 4FGL J1405.1-6119

Corbet et al., AJ 884, 12 (2019)

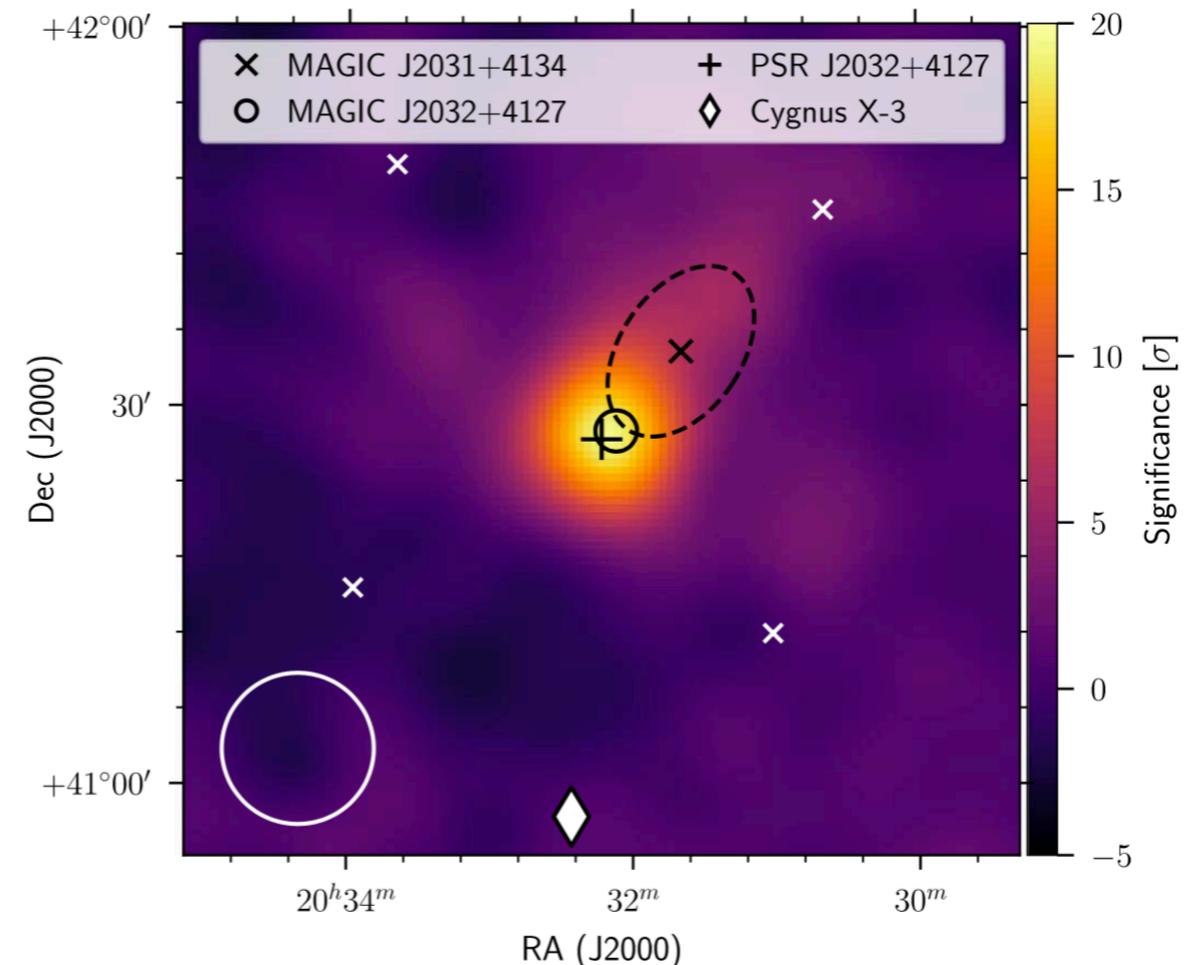
- Similar detection procedure: **blind-search for modulation** in LAT catalogue + search for **counterparts in X-rays and radio**, try to confirm modulation at lower energies. For the companion star, optical \Rightarrow IR due to high obscuration \rightarrow **O6 III-type** companion star
- **Detection of periodic modulation of 4FGL1405 with $P_{\text{orb}} = 13.7\text{d}$** displaying a **main peak and a secondary peak only at ~soft energies ($> 200\text{ MeV}$)**. X-ray and radio emission also modulated with P_{orb} , but with a single maximum, anti-correlated with the GeV “main” peak.
- 4FGL1405' $L_{\gamma} = 5e33\text{ erg/s}$ at $d \sim 7.7\text{ kpc}$ (\approx LS 5039's and $\sim 1/2$ of 1FGL J1018's). $L_X = 6e33\text{ erg/s}$ also similar to LS 5039, (Bosch-Ramon et al. 2007, Rea et al. 2011).



Highlights: detection of PSR J2032+4127

Periastron observations of TeV γ -Ray emission from a binary system with a 50-year period - MAGIC & VERITAS Col, ApJ, 867, L19 (2018)

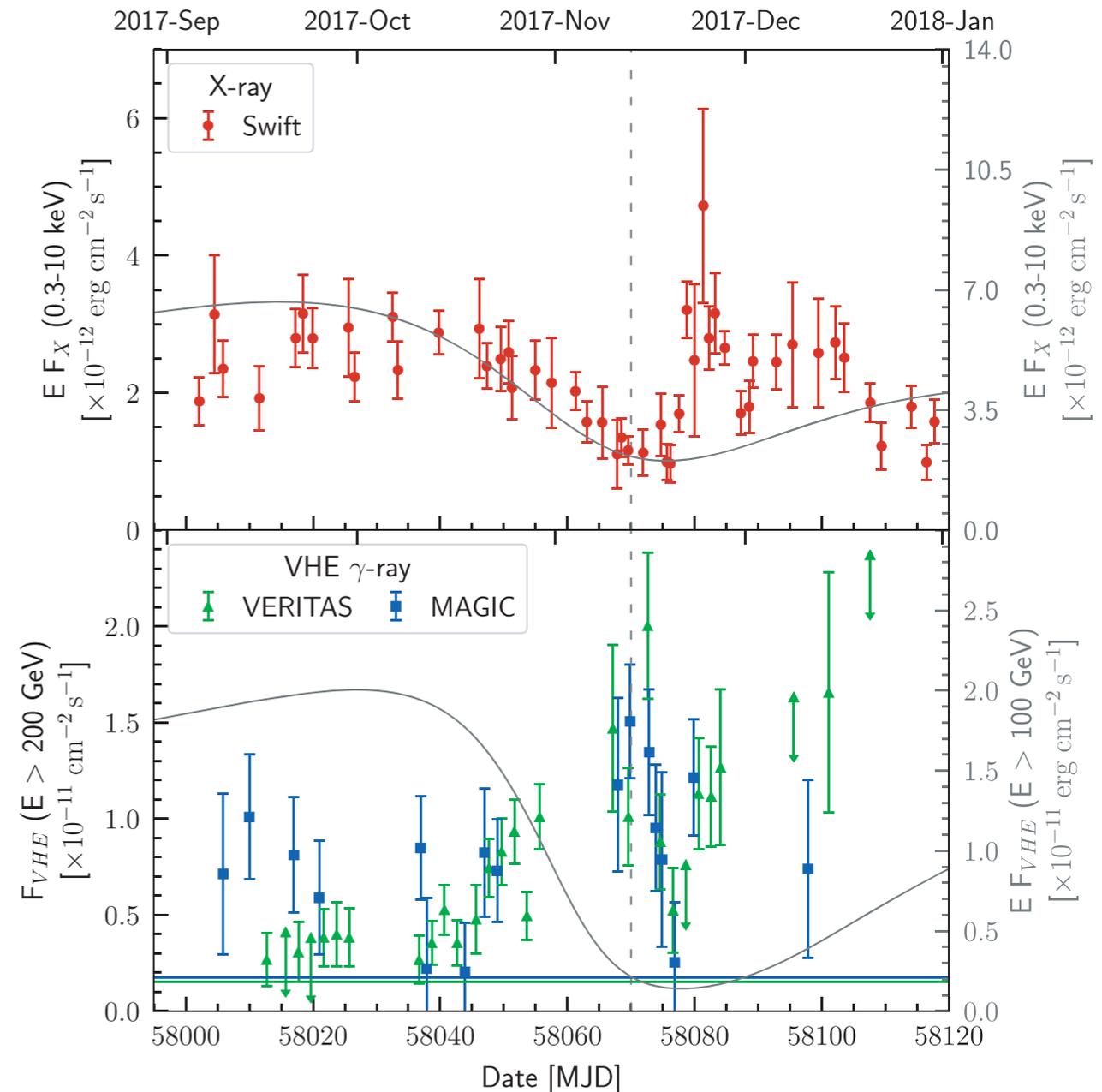
- Pulsed emission from PSR J2032+4127 detected with *Fermi*-LAT and **association with a long-period binary system** (Lyne et al. 2015)
- Only gamma-ray binary apart from PSR B1259 with a **confirmed PSR as the powering engine** (see however LS I +61 303), in a system containing a **Be star with a circumstellar disk** displaying a varying size (by a factor ~ 2)
- **Deep MAGIC and VERITAS observation campaign** (combined $t_{\text{obs}} \sim 180\text{h}$) around periastron ($P_{\text{orb}} \sim 50$ yrs).
- Clear detection ($\sim 20 \sigma$) of a **point-like VHE source coincident with PSR J2032+4127** on top of the **steady extended emission** from the HEGRA source **TeV J2032**.



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- **Significant variability in VHEs.** Increasing flux up to peak at t_{per} ($\times 10$ that of TeV J2032) + sudden drop + recovery to t_{per} values (**similar to PSR B1259** but no GeV variability nor flares).
- VHE spectrum best fit: baseline emission from TeV J2032 (PL) + binary (**PL+ expCut, with $E_c \sim 0.5$ TeV**). When dividing the data set ("low" and "" state), data around t_{per} **do not require the cutoff**.
- X-rays: variability at \sim weeks time-scales on top of long-term increase towards t_{per} (Li et al. 2018, Petropoulou et al. 2018). **No GeV variability** (masked by magnetospheric PSR emission? Li et al. 2018).
- Predictions of both X-ray (Li et al. 2018) and TeV (Takata et al. 2018) emission at $t \sim t_{\text{per}}$, **inconsistent with observations. No apparent X-ray/TeV correlation.**

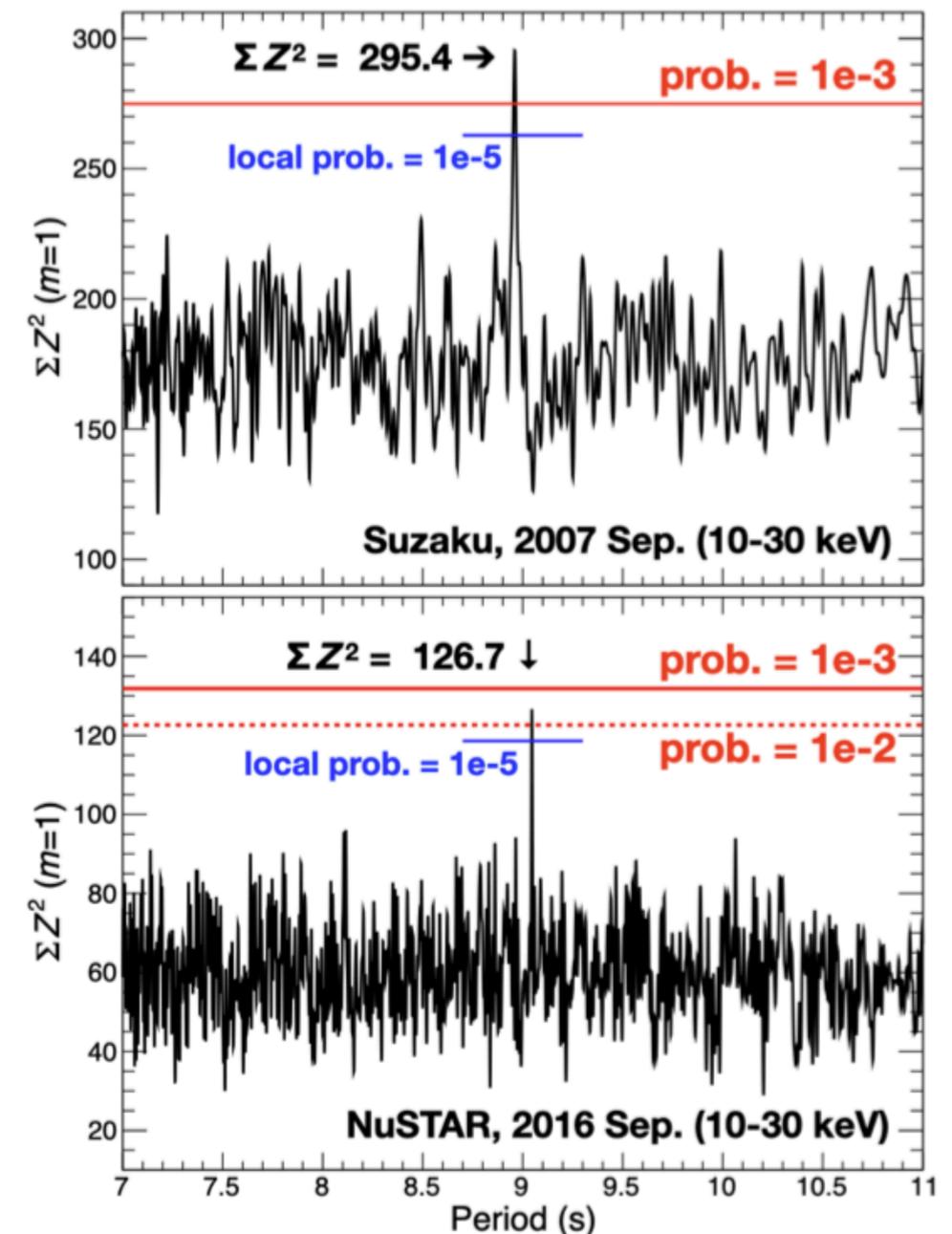


Highlights: detection of pulsations in LS 5039

Sign of Hard-X-Ray Pulsation from the γ -Ray Binary System LS 5039

Yoneda et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 111103 (2020)

- Search for pulsations in LS 5039 in hard X-rays using *Suzaku* (181 ks) and *NuSTAR* (191 ks) archival data.
- To avoid Doppler modulation effects, requires >10 ph per chunk of data analysed, which imposes a **limit for the putative pulsation period: $P_{NS} > 1$ s**.
- Fourier analysis of *Suzaku* data: $P_{NS} = 8.96$ s with chance probability $P_{ch} = 0.0011$. A Z^2 test (de Jager et al. 1989) provides also $P_{NS} = 8.96$ s, with $P_{ch} = 0.0015$.
- The same Fourier analysis on **NuSTAR data did not provide any clear signal**. A Z^2 test provides $P_{NS} = 9.05$ s, with $P_{ch} = 0.031$.
- X-check: look for the **orbital period in each data-set using the same Z^2 test** -> $P_{orb} = 3.90 \pm 0.05$ d (*Suzaku*) and $P_{orb} = 3.90 \pm 0.05$ d (*NuSTAR*).
- These results favor the dissipation of the NS magnetic energy as the powering source, implying a magnetic field value $> 3e10$ T, and therefore a **magnetar nature of LS 5039**.



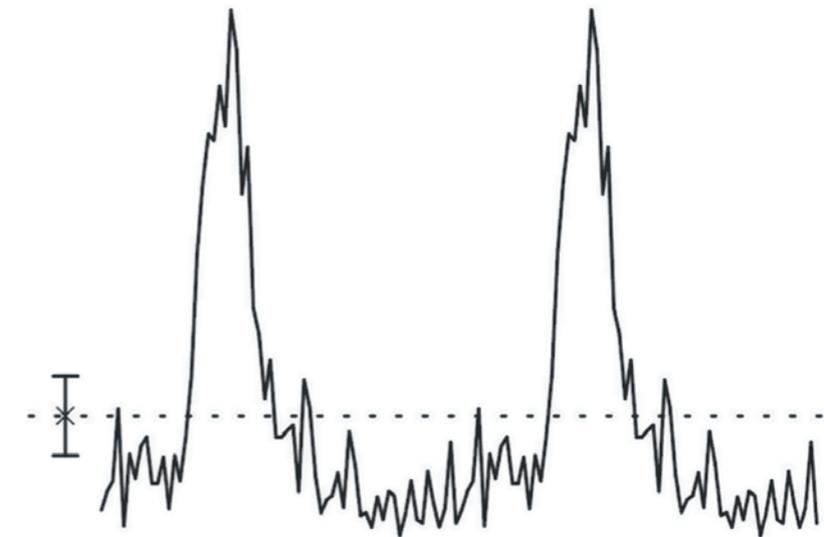
Yoneda et al. (2020)

Highlights: detection of pulsations in LS I +61° 303

Radio pulsations from a neutron star within the γ B LS I +61° 303

Weng et al., Nat. Ast. 6, 698 (2022)

- **LS I 61303 is powered by a pulsar**, with a **rotation period of 0.27s** as clearly detected ($>20\sigma$) with the FAST radio telescope in 2020.
- Pulsations **seem to disappear** for a significant lapse of time, with **non-detection at similar orbital phases** ($\phi = 0.6$, minimum free-free absorption) for observations taken a few months apart.
- **Switching on/off mechanism still unknown** (most likely **changes in environment**, see e.g. rapid radio flux variations and orbit-to-orbit changes in pulsation disappearing times in PSR B1259).
- Claims of **magnetar-like flares** from LS I 61303 are reinforced with the identification of a PSR powering the system. If confirmed, this would be the **first confirmed magnetar in a binary system**, (probably a low B-field magnetar)

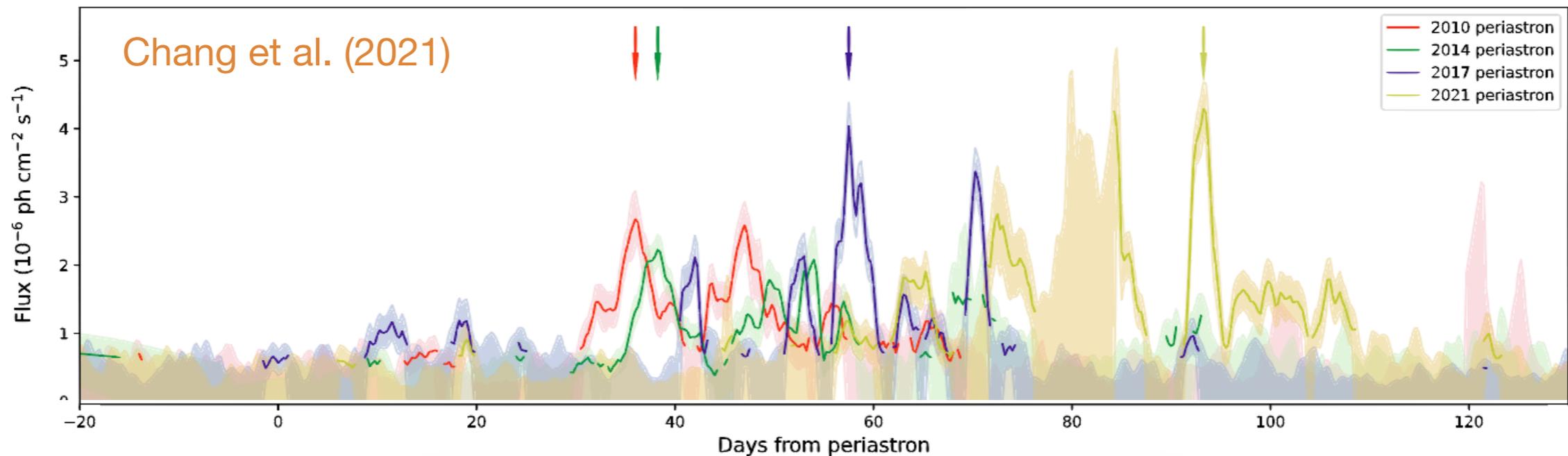


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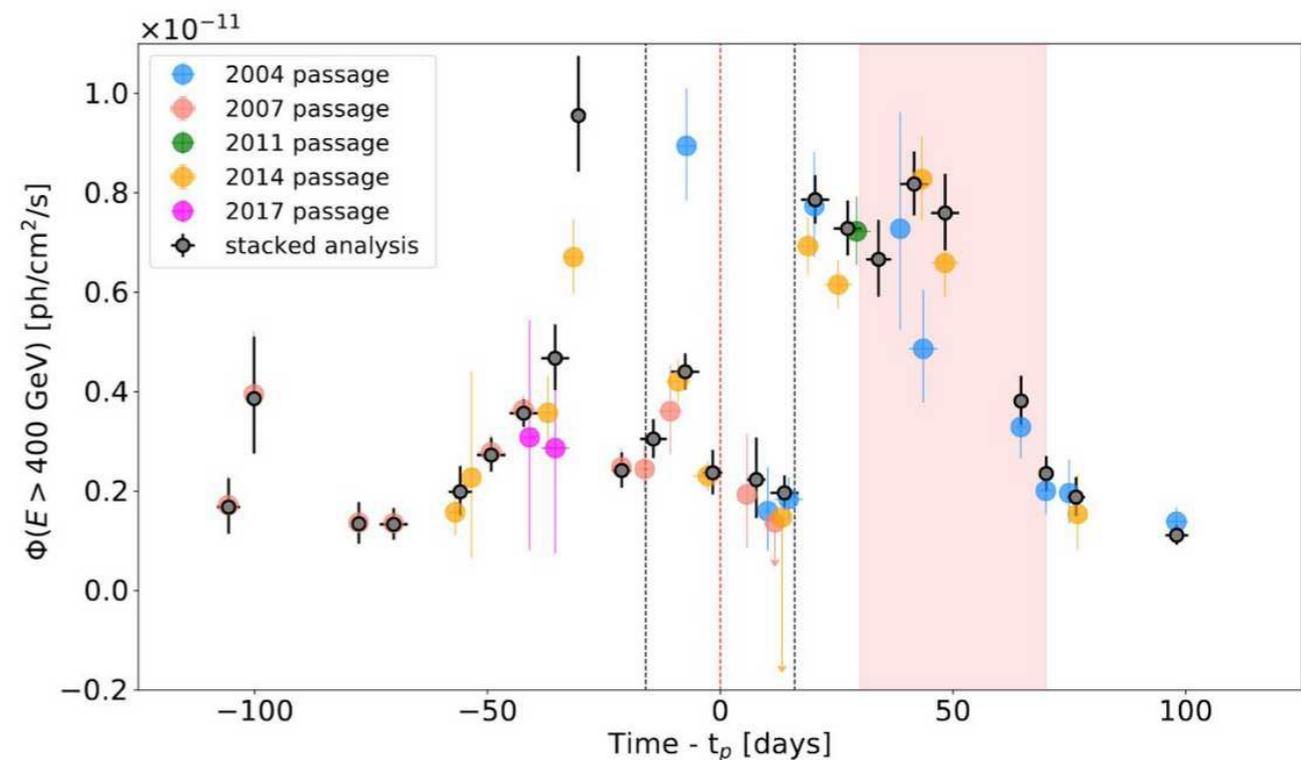
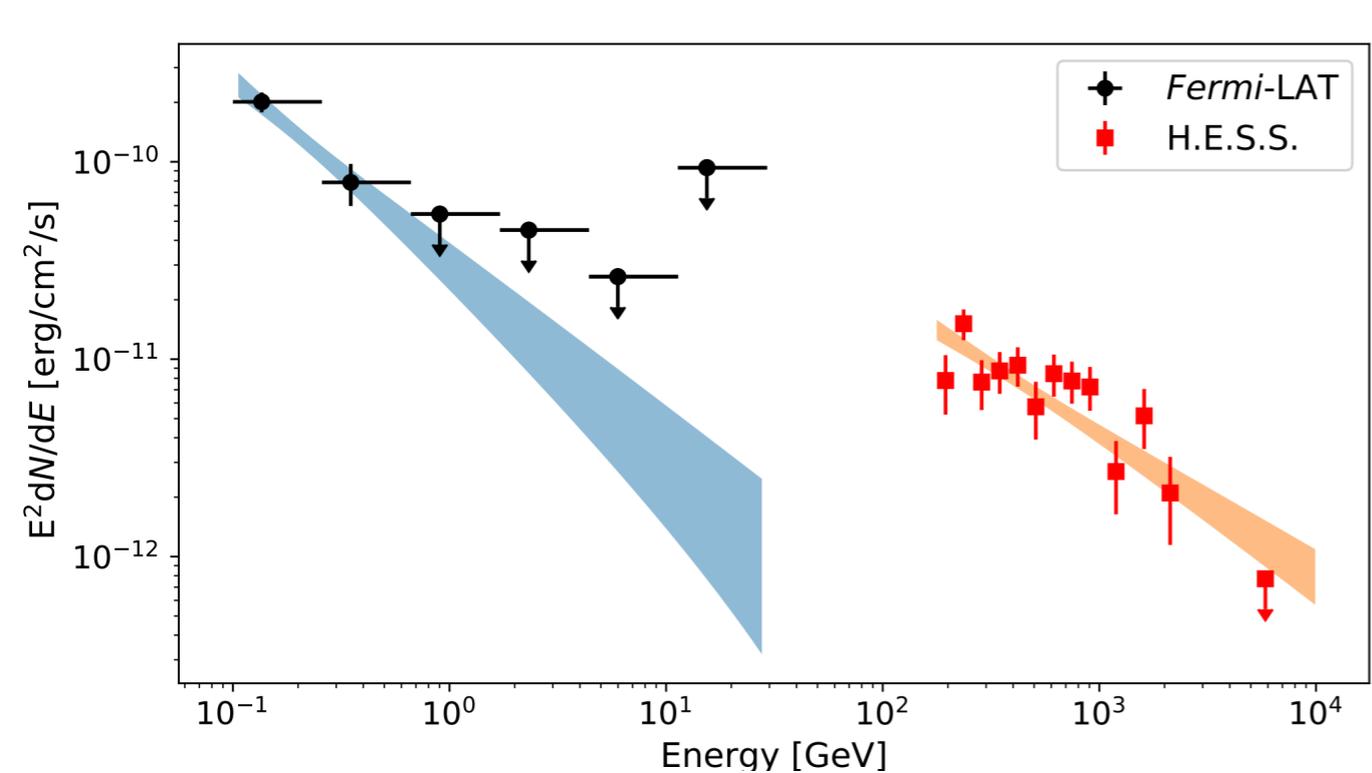
Detailed report in D. Torres talk (ID-278) this afternoon

Highlights: PSR B1259 periastron passage(s)

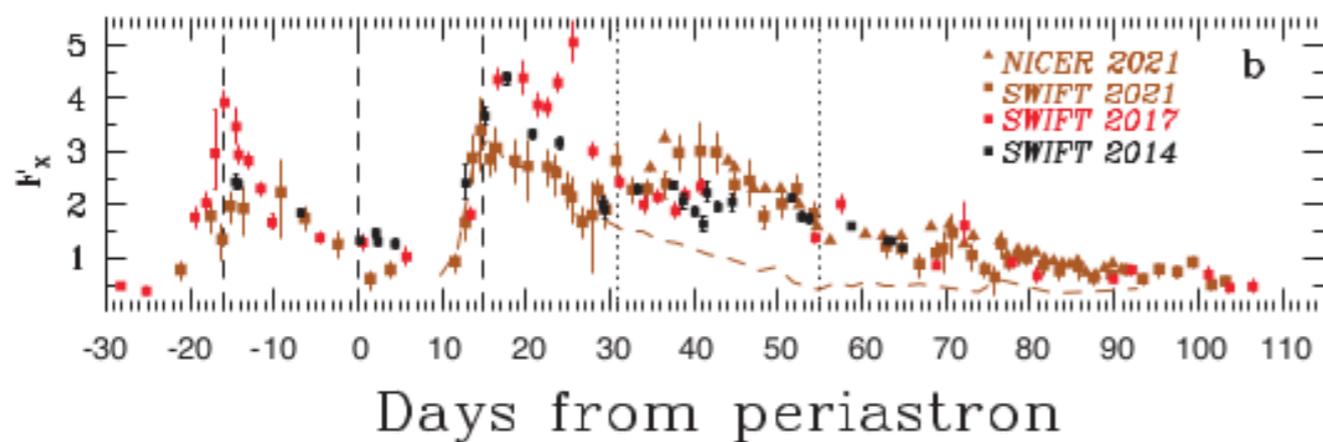


- $L_\gamma >$ pulsar spin-down power (if isotropic) \Rightarrow **Doppler-boosting**, e.g. Kong et al. 2012, may not be however efficient enough (see Khangulyan et al. 2014); see also numerical MHD simulations in Bogovalov et al. 2012, 2019 in which **both for low and high magnetisation winds** collimation seems rather difficult to attain.
- Other models do not rely on Doppler boosting, e.g. **Comptonization of a cold pulsar wind** (Khangulyan et al. 2012), **GeV-emitting pairs with a Maxwellian distribution** injected in shock at high pulsar latitudes (Dubus & Cerutti 2013), **IC of soft photons from an accretion disk** formed around the PSR (Yi & Cheng 2017), or a combination of **bremsstrahlung +IC emission** from unshocked and weakly-shocked electrons of the pulsar wind (Chernyakova et al. 2020)

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H.E.S.S. Col. (2020)



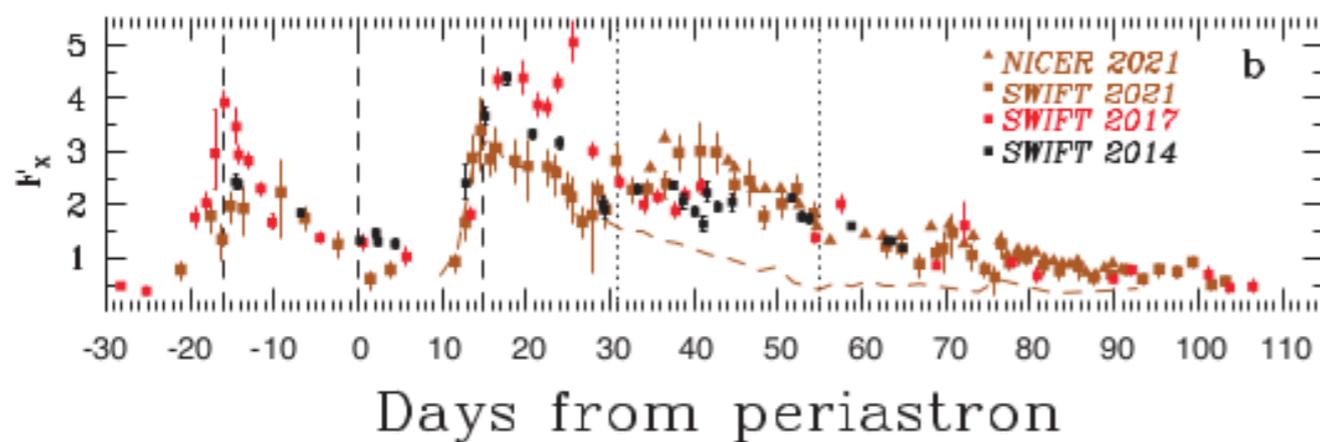
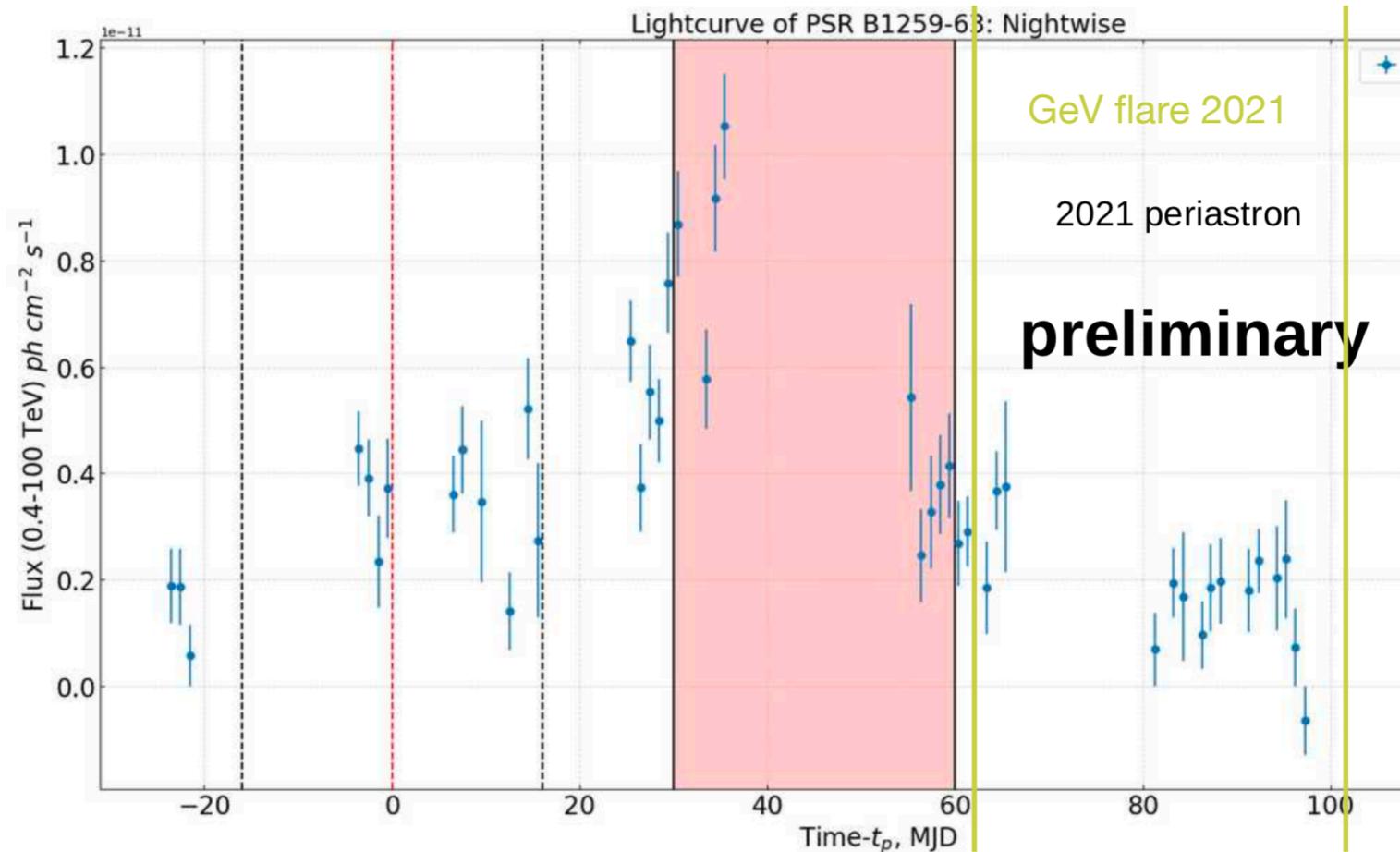
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C. Thorpe-Morgan talk (ID-413)

M. Chernyakova talk (ID-413)

Highlights: PSR B1259-63 periastron passage(s)

from S. Wagner's
H.E.S.S. highlights
talk on Monday (ID328)



C. Thorpe-Morgan talk (ID-413)

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Chernyakova et al. (2021)

Highlights: detection of SS433 at γ -rays

- **Binary system**

- $d \sim 5.5$ kpc, $\tau_{\text{SS433}} \sim 3 \times 10^4$ yrs
- likely BH ($M \sim 10\text{-}20 M_{\odot}$) + A-supergiant (Fabrika 2004)
- super-critical accretion rate, $dM/dt \sim 10^{-4} M_{\odot}/\text{yr}$
- 13d (162d) orbital (precession) period (Gies+ 2002)

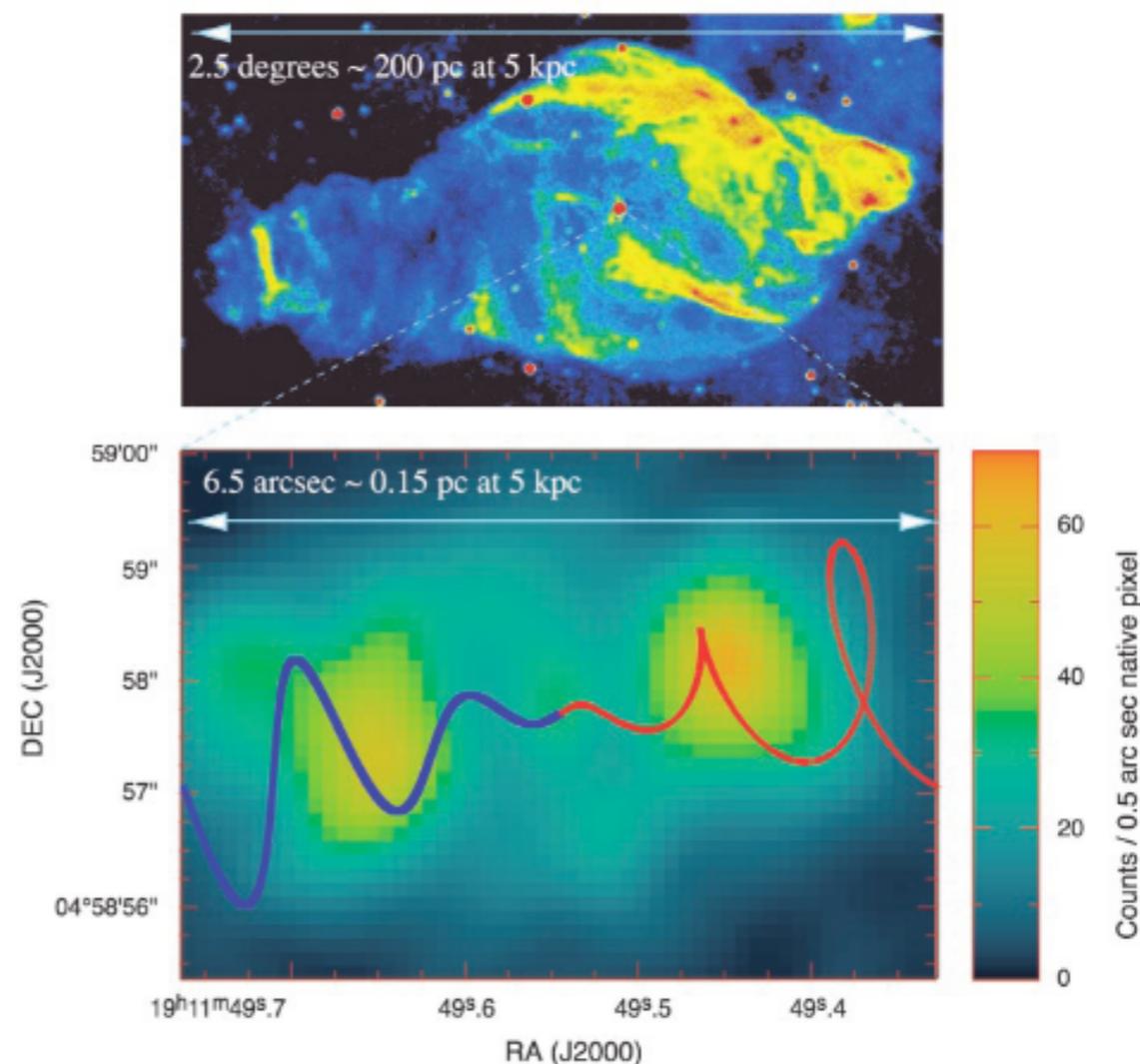
- **jets**

- mildly relativistic $v_{\text{jets}} = 0.26 c$, $i = 78^{\circ}$, $\theta_{\text{prec}} = 21^{\circ}$
- extremely powerful, $L_{\text{jet}} \gtrsim 10^{39}$ erg/s
- evidence of baryons (Marshall+ 2002, Migliari+ 2002)
- detected in radio, IR, optical, X-rays

Talk by L. Olivera (ID-382) on Monday

Talk by S. Safi-Harb (ID-371) on Monday

Talk by J. Goodman (ID-497) on Tuesday

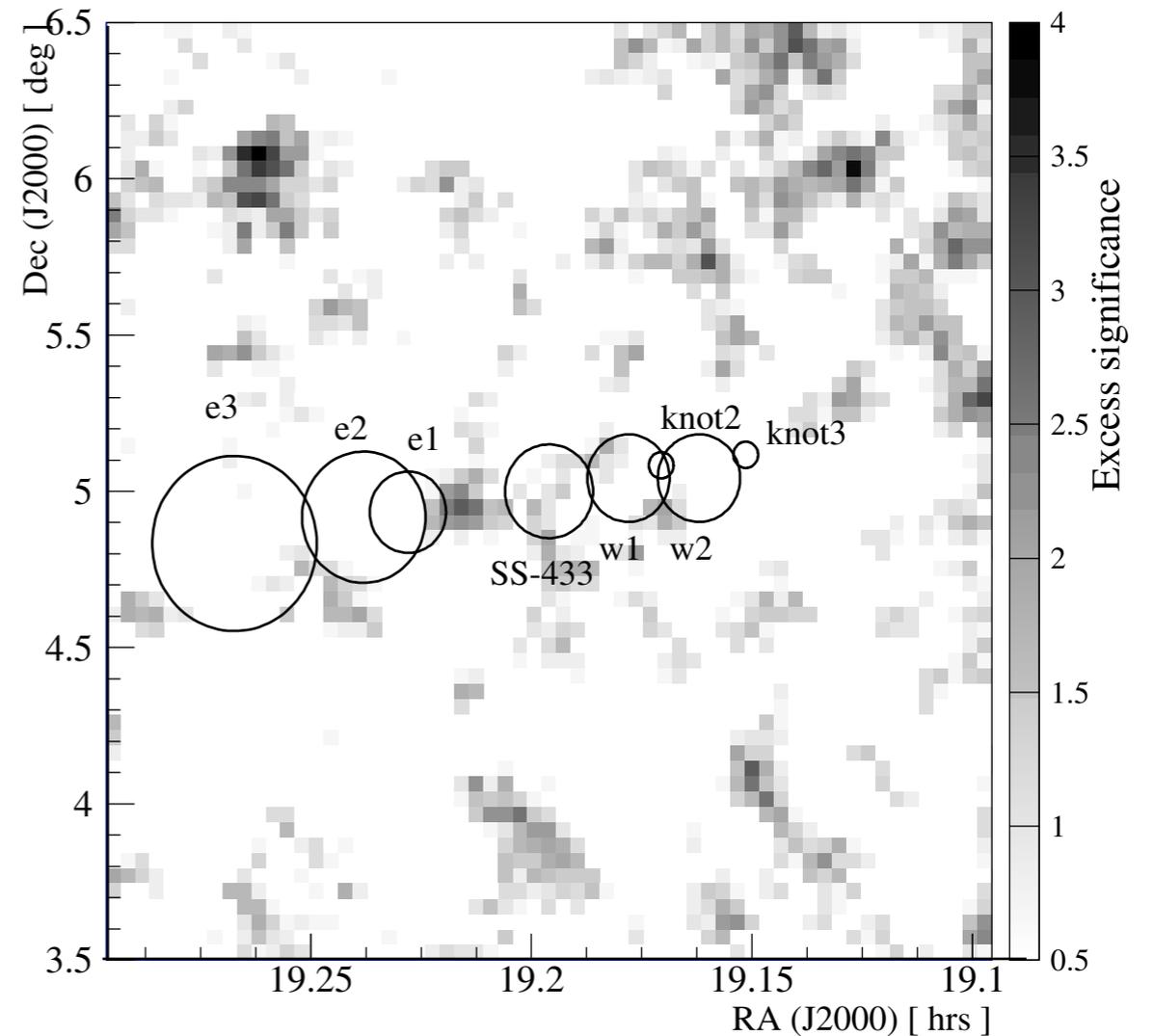


(Dubner et al 1998, Migliari et al. 2002)

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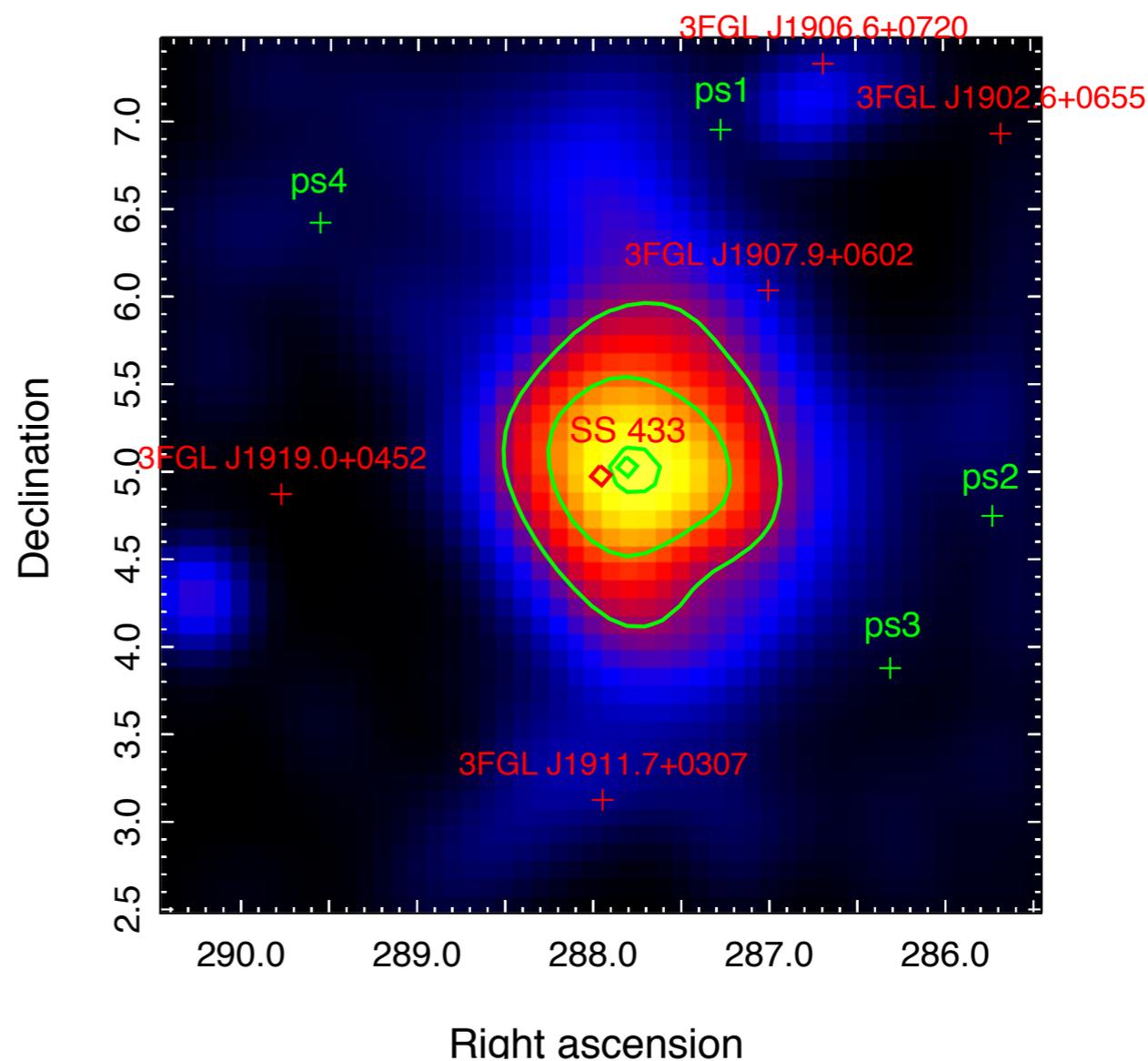
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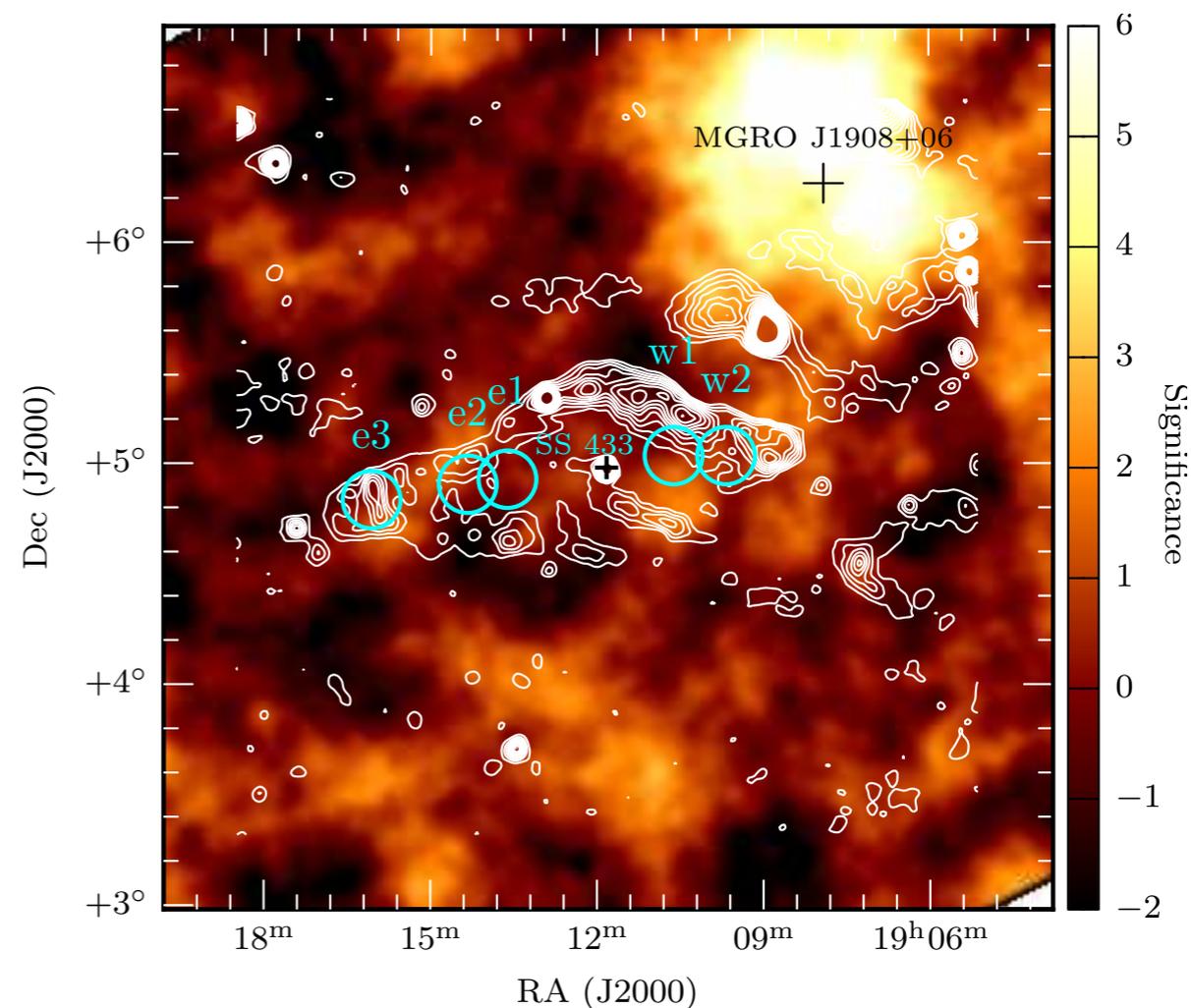
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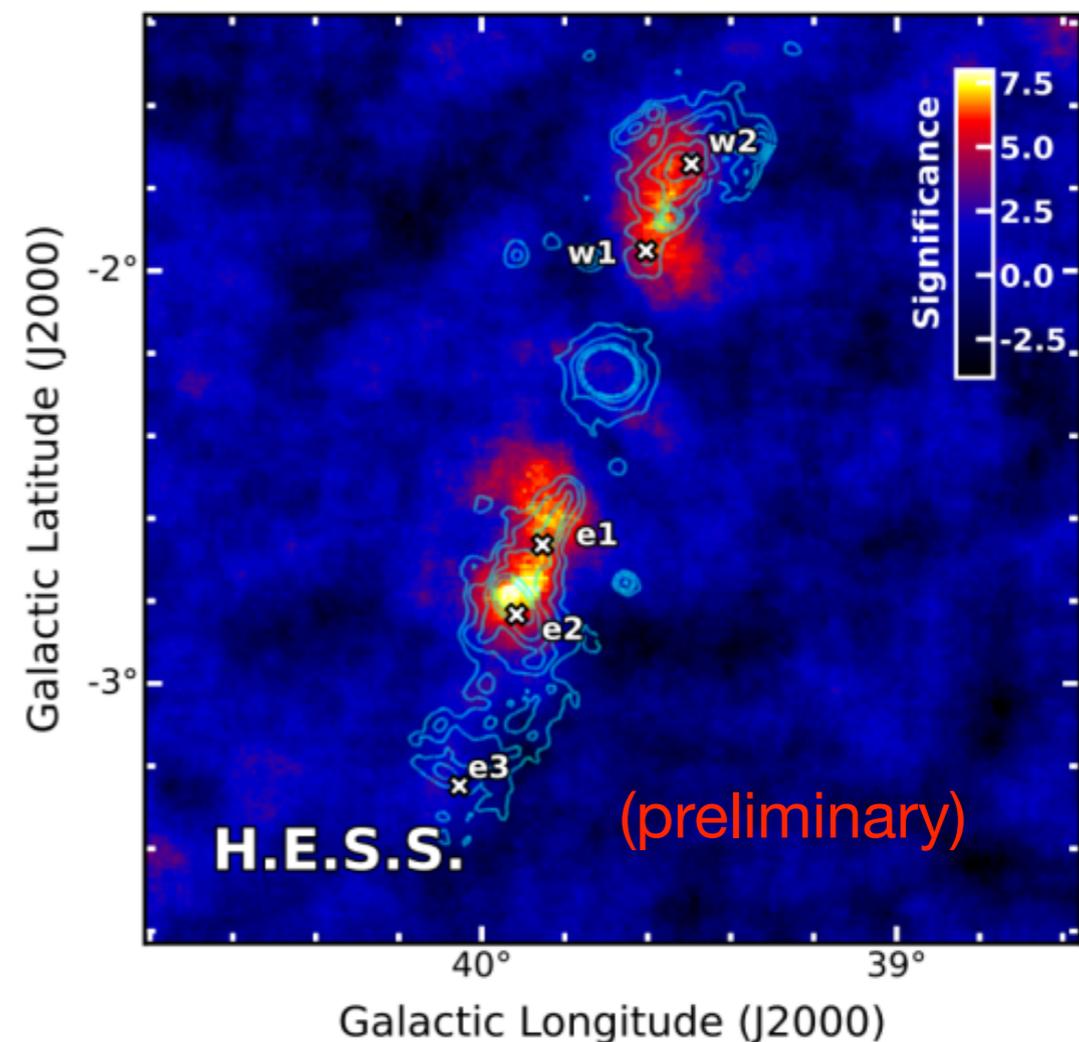
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H.E.S.S. Collaboration (in prep.)

- H.E.S.S. data set of ~ 300 h on **SS433**
- **Improved analysis:** *super hard* config optimized for faint, hard sources + use of CT5 for bkg rejection + Gammapy
- Western/eastern lobes **detected at a 6.8σ** and **7.8σ** respectively



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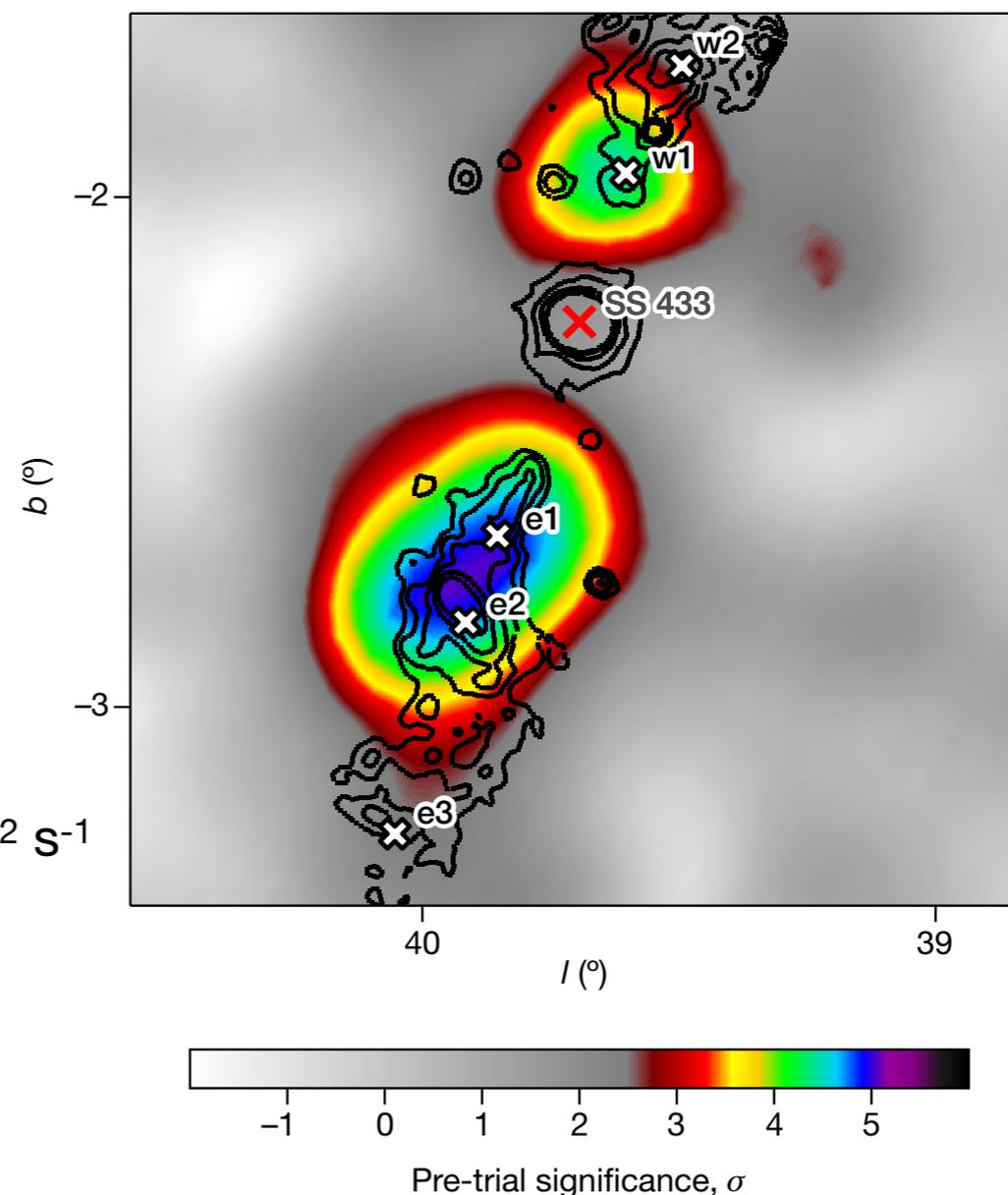
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Abeysekara et al. (HAWC Collaboration)
(2018, Nature, vol. 562. p. 82A)

- ~3 years of HAWC data: e1 + w1: $\sim 5.4\sigma$
- $E > 20$ TeV, SS433: $\Phi < 5.3 \times 10^{-17} \text{ TeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

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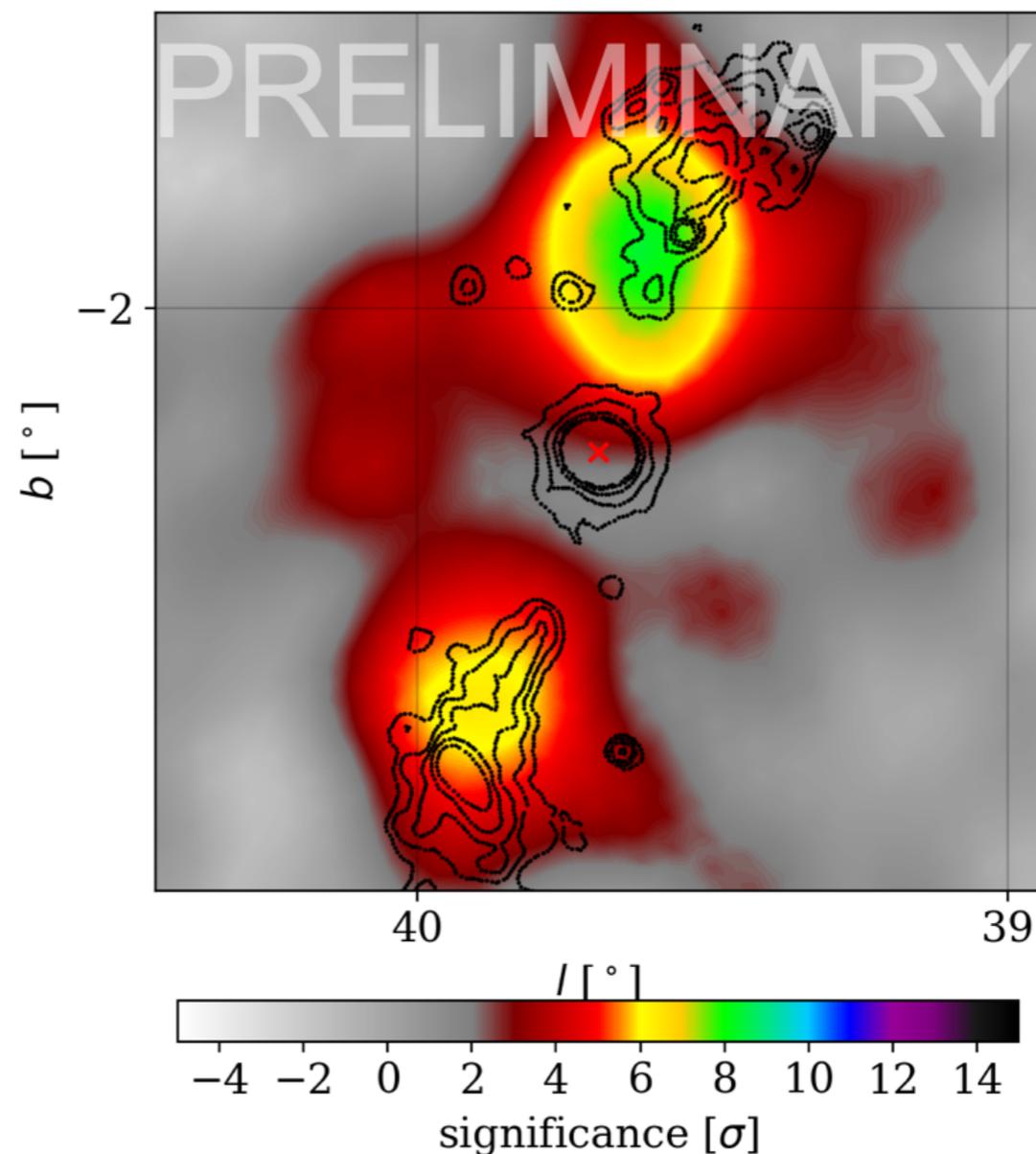
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- **e1 detected at $\sim 7.6\sigma$, w1 at $\sim 9.2\sigma$**
- **spectral analysis available:**
 $\Gamma_{e1} = 2.47 \pm 0.2$, $\Gamma_{e1} = 2.41 \pm 0.09$

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(γ -2016, AIP, vol. 1792, p 20B)

- ~7 years LATdata, TS = 62.41 ($\sim 7.9 \sigma$)

MAGIC & HESS Collaborations
(2018, A&A, vol. 612A, p. 14M)

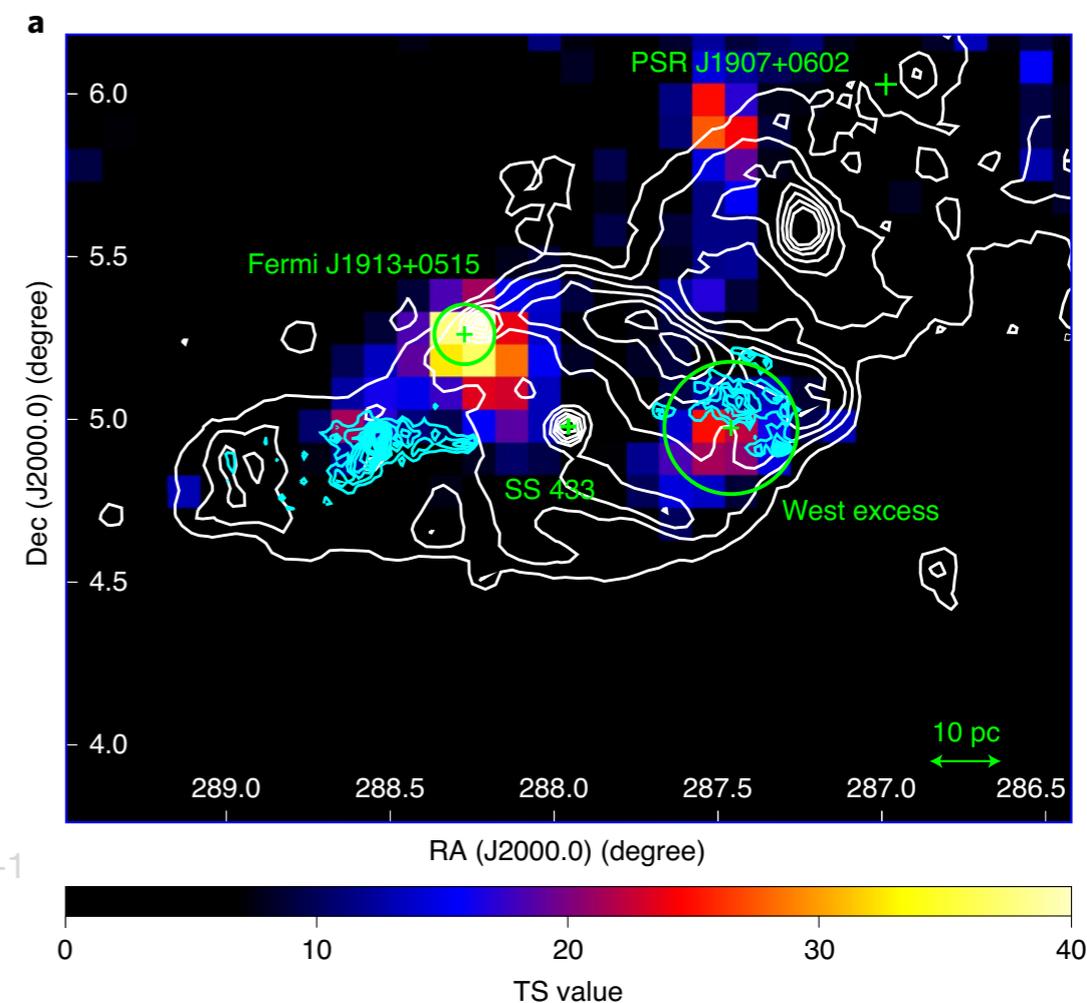
- ~10h on SS433, 20-60h for int. regions
uull ($E > 250$ and 800 GeV): ~10 mCrab

Abeysekara et al. (HAWC Collaboration)
(2018, Nature, vol. 562. p. 82A)

- ~3 years of HAWC data: e1 + w1: $\sim 5.4\sigma$
- $E > 20$ TeV, SS433: $\Phi < 5.3 \times 10^{-17} \text{ TeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

**Li, Torres, Liu, Kerr, de Oña Wilhelmi & Su
(2020, Nature Astronomy, 162L)**

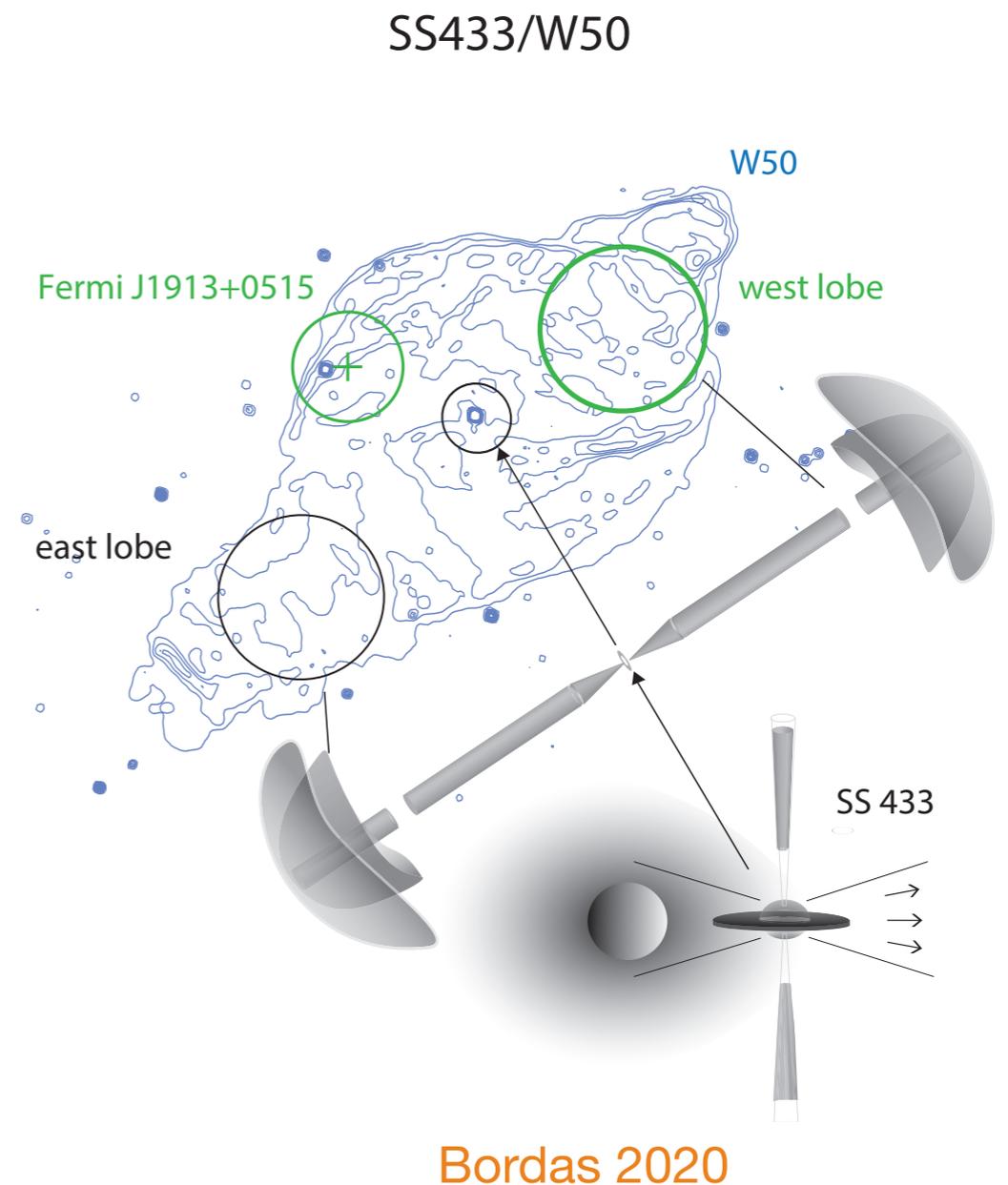
- ~ 10.5 years of LAT data
- **Fermi J1913+0515**: TS = 39 (6.5σ)
- west int. region: TS = 15 (3.5σ)



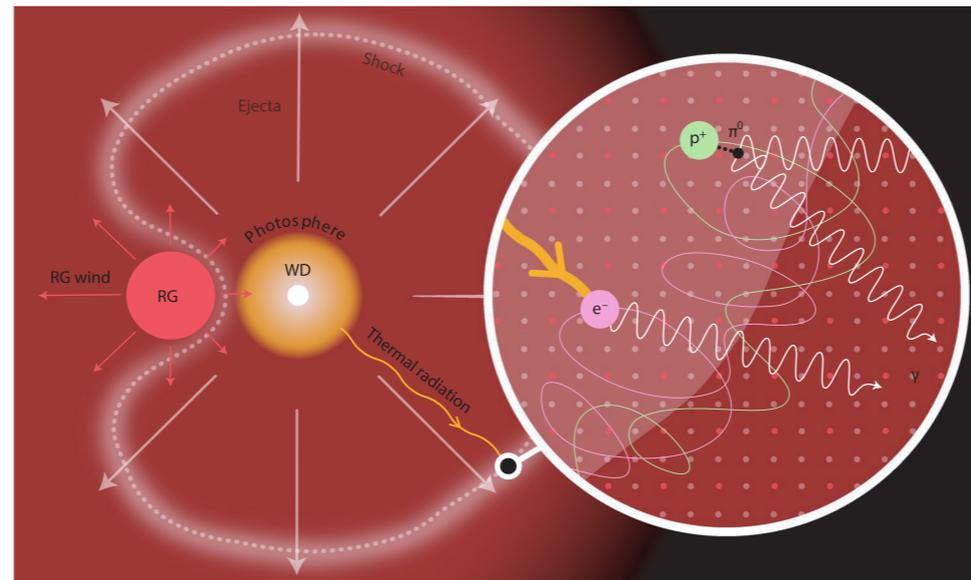
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Highlights: detection of SS433 at γ -rays

- Origin of the GeV periodic emission ?
 - location **~35 pc away** => modulation by absorption not feasible (Reynoso et al. 2008)
 - **not in the jet "precession cone"** => illumination by east jet not feasible
 - hadronic origin?
 - proton injection by **equatorial outflow**
 - $W_p \approx 2.5 \times 10^{48} (L_\gamma/10^{34})(n/20)^{-1}$
=> accumulate 100 yr of injection power
so **periodicity completely smeared out**
 - alternative: **20% of jet/outflow kinetic power in rel. protons** + assume a **very dense** (10^4 cm^{-3}) density "cusp" at the cloud as target material (allowing gamma-rays to be produced within timescales $t < \text{half-period}$)
 - channel the whole of these accelerated protons towards the gas enhancement/cusp: this requires a **highly-anisotropic diffusion mechanism** at play: "magnetic tubes"?



Highlights: detection of Novae at VHEs



from Acciari et al. (2022)

- Novae are produced by the **thermonuclear fusion** of hydrogen on the surface layers of a WD when accreting the mass from its companion star in a binary system.
- In **classical nova** the companion star is a MS star, and the WD is “smoothly” fed by the wind from the companion through Roche-lobe overflow.
- **Symbiotic recurrent novae** are instead composed of a ~massive WD ($> 1.1 M_{\text{sun}}$) and a red giant companion, and the WD accretes from the massive star wind.

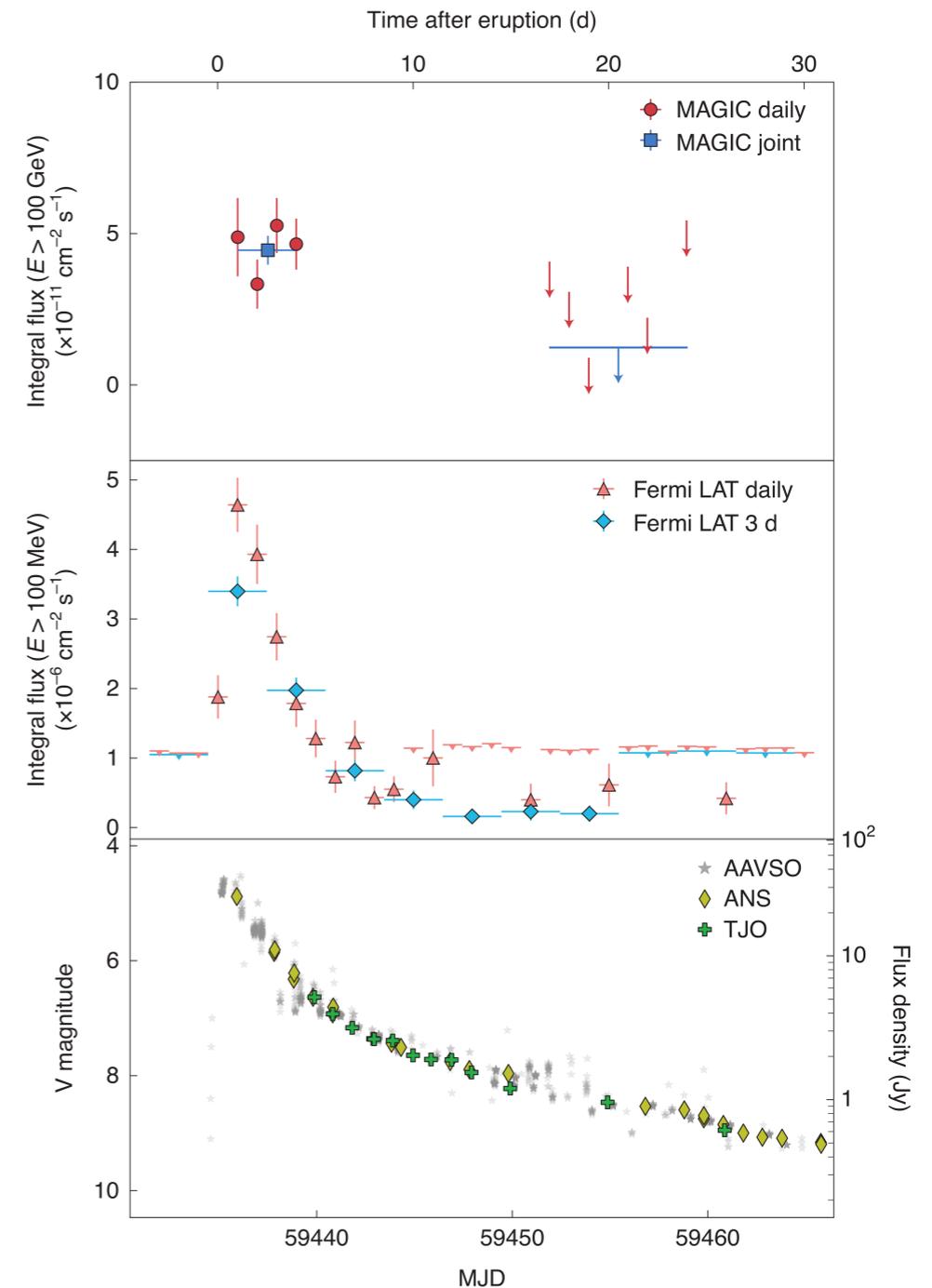
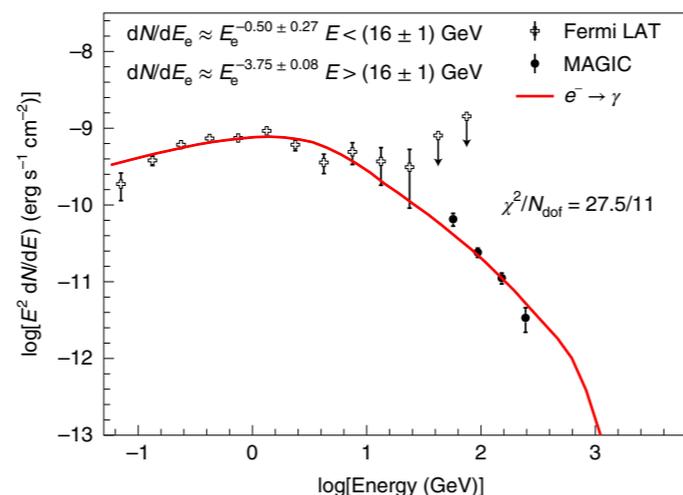
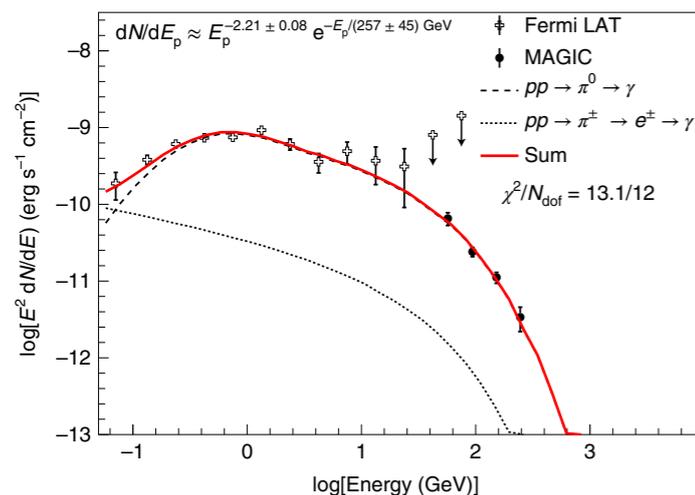
Dedicated talk by M. Hernanz (ID-494) right after this talk

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Acciari et al. Nat. Astron, 6, 689 (2022)

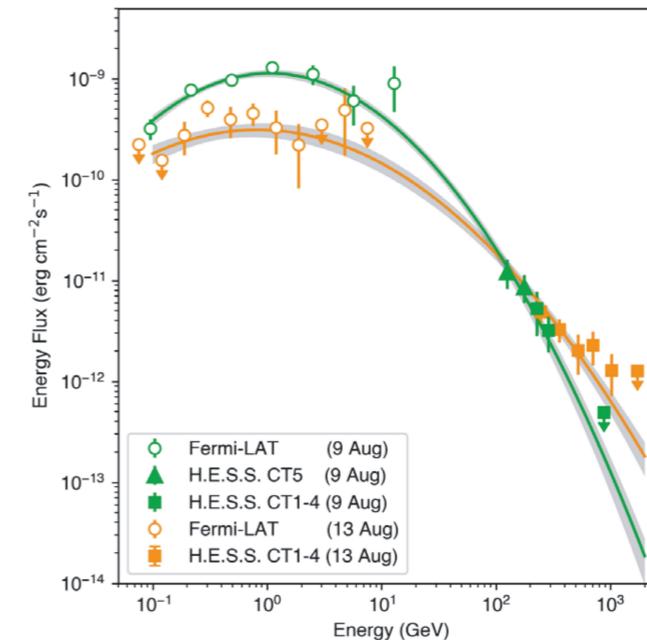
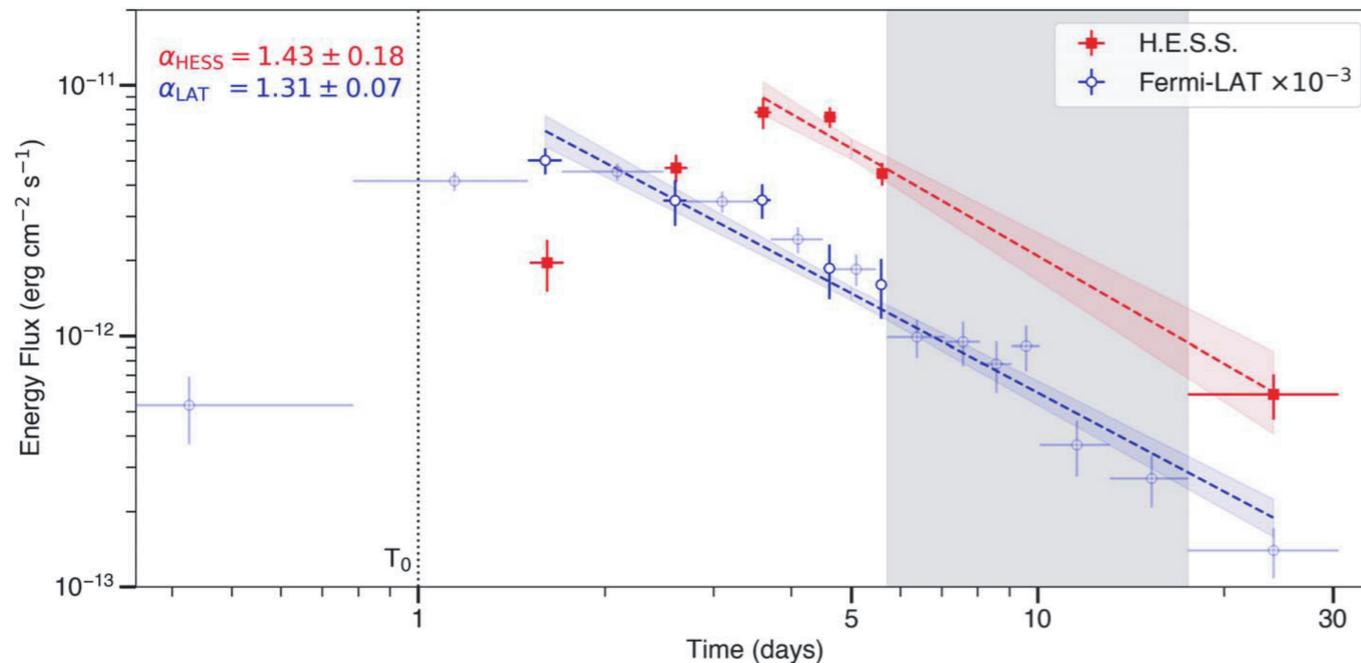
- **Detection (13.2σ) of the recurrent nova RS Ophiuchi** with MAGIC at energies 60-250 GeV.
- MAGIC flux \sim cte in the first 4 days, while LAT flux decreases \Rightarrow **migration of the γ -ray emission towards higher E \Leftrightarrow increase of particle's E_{\max}**
- The *Fermi*-LAT and MAGIC measurement **can be well described with a proton-only model, with a PL + expCut with $\Gamma \approx 2$, with E_{cutoff} increasing with t**
- Un-cooled accelerated protons will eventually escape, and contribute (dominate) to the galactic CR see in the immediate surroundings (~ 0.5 pc)



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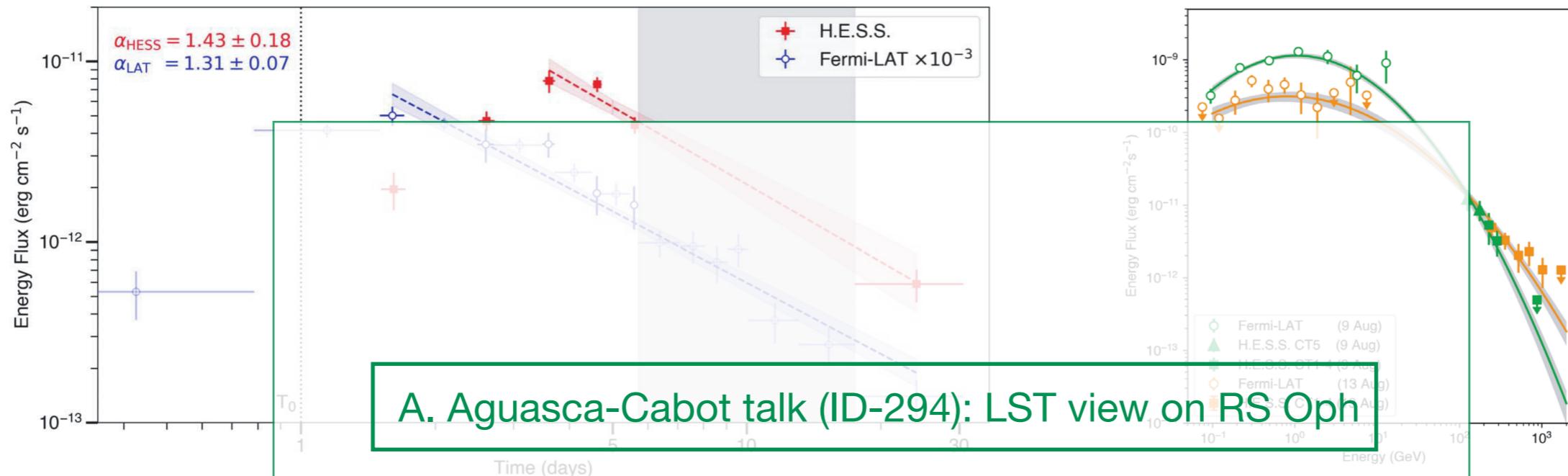


H.E.S.S. Col (2022)

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- Emission mechanisms can vary across GREB types: **leptonic (IC)** and **hadronic (π^0 -decay)** channels invoked separately (γ Bs, Novae) or conjointly (μ Qs, CWBs). In all cases, **exceptional acceleration efficiencies** seem to be at play.

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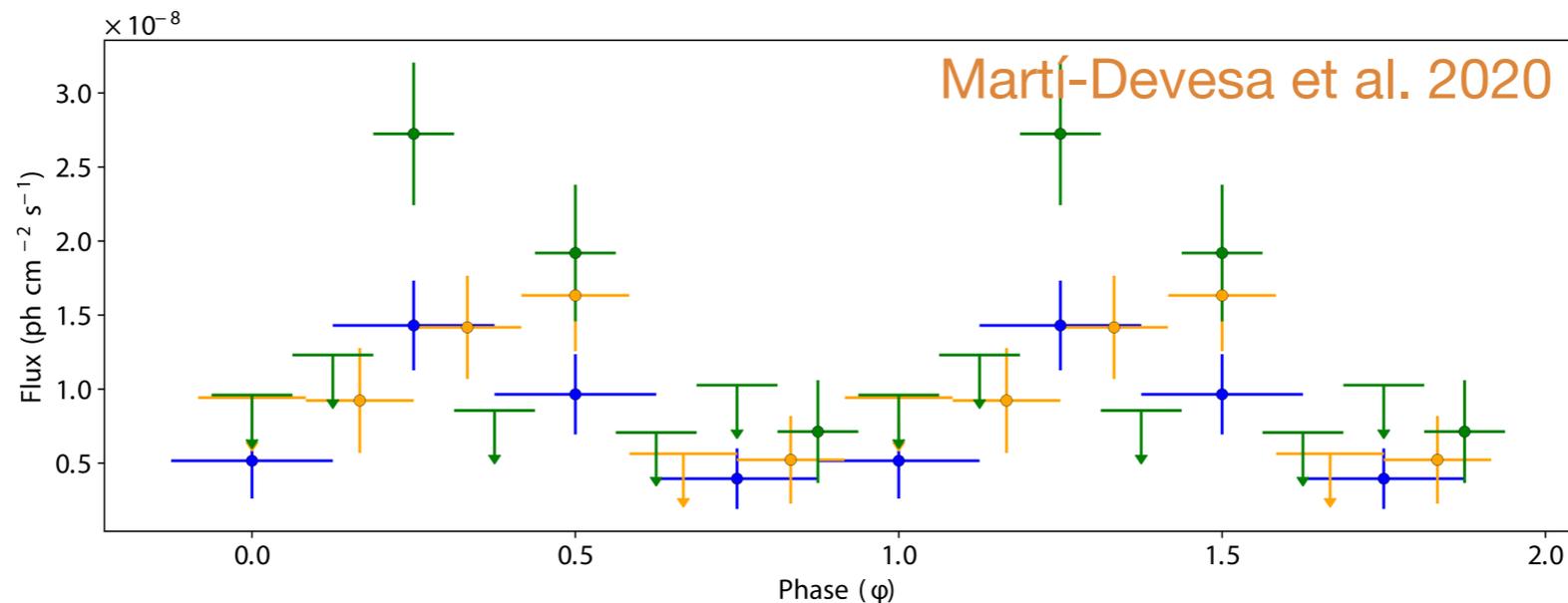
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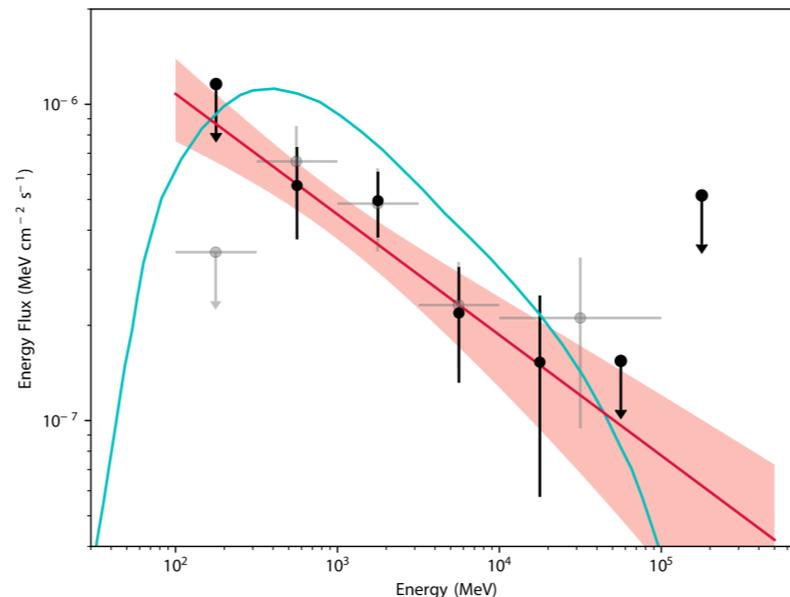
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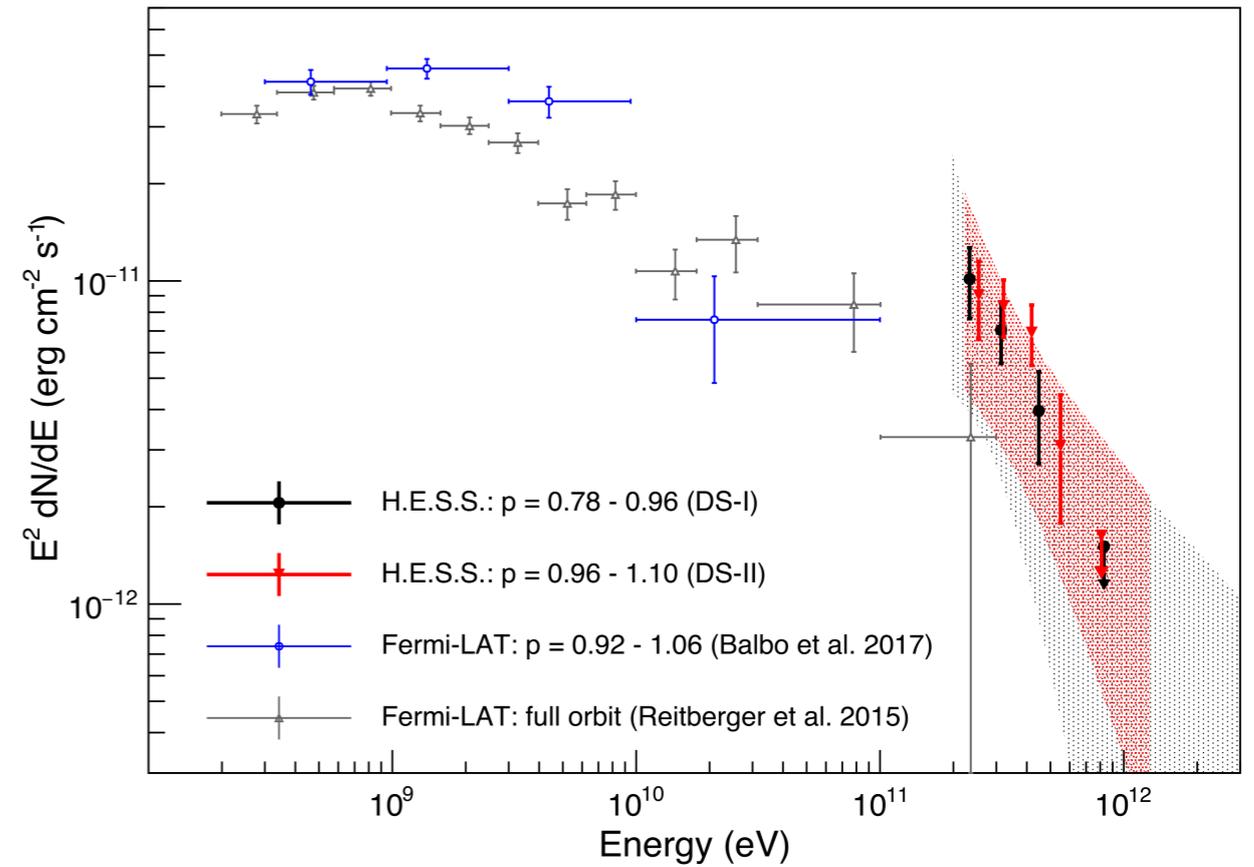
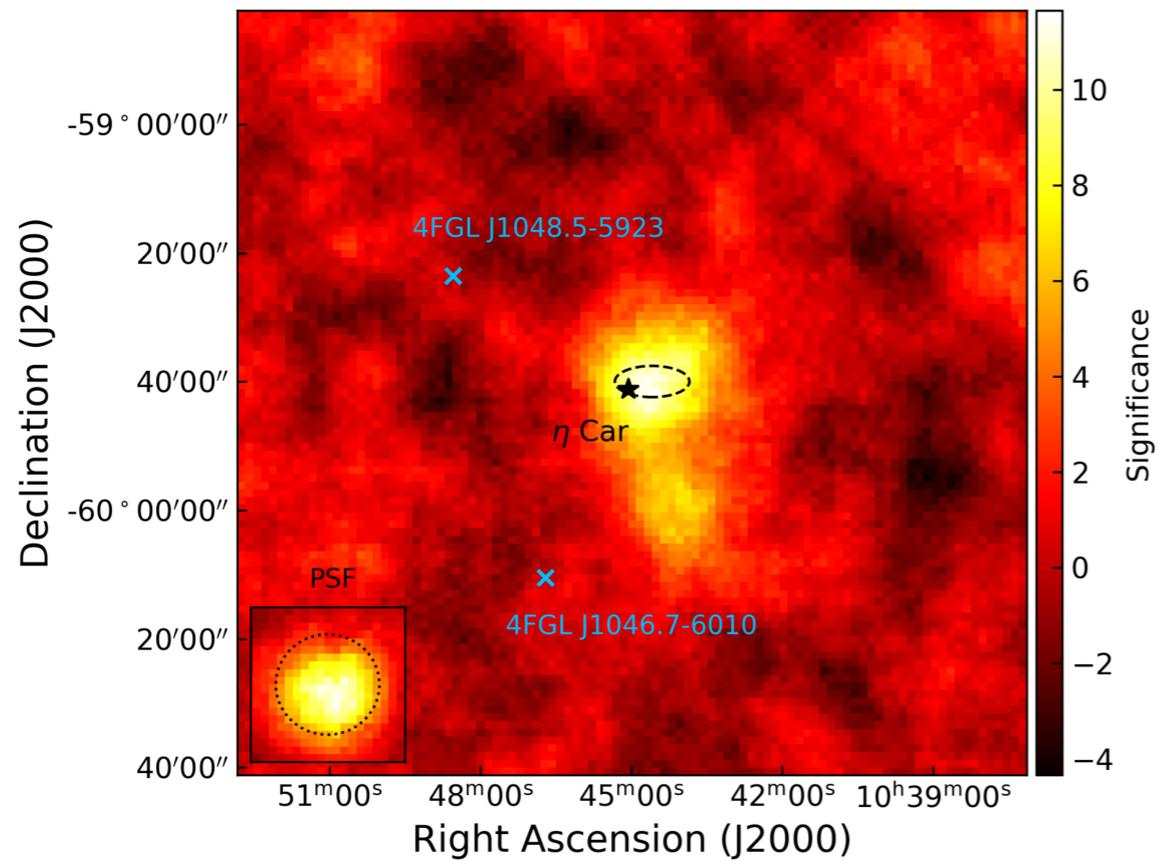
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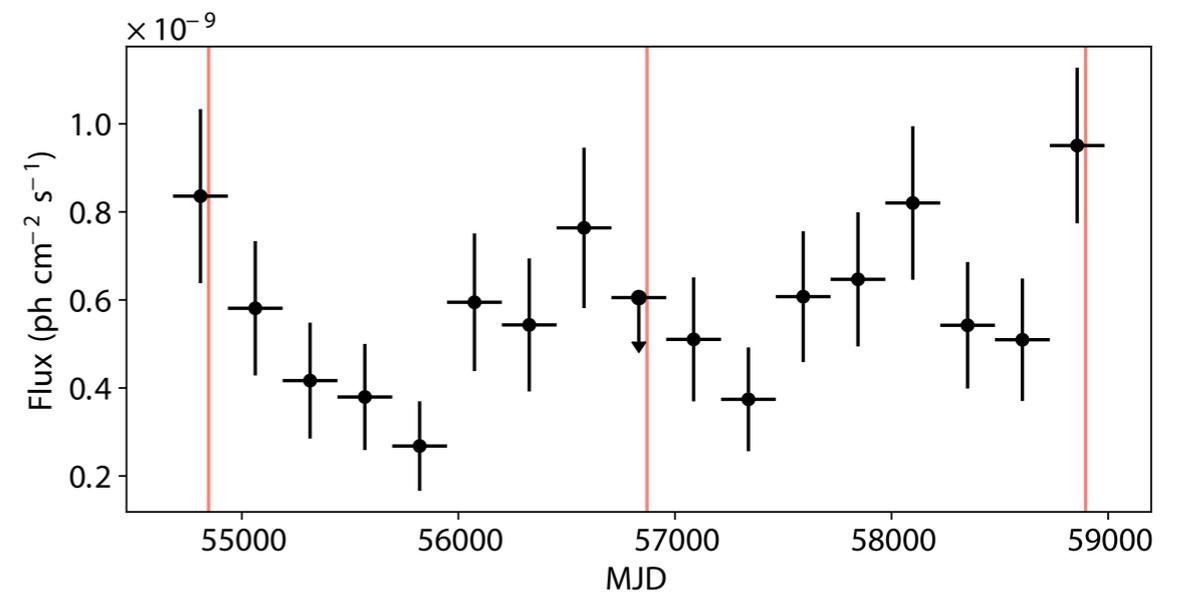
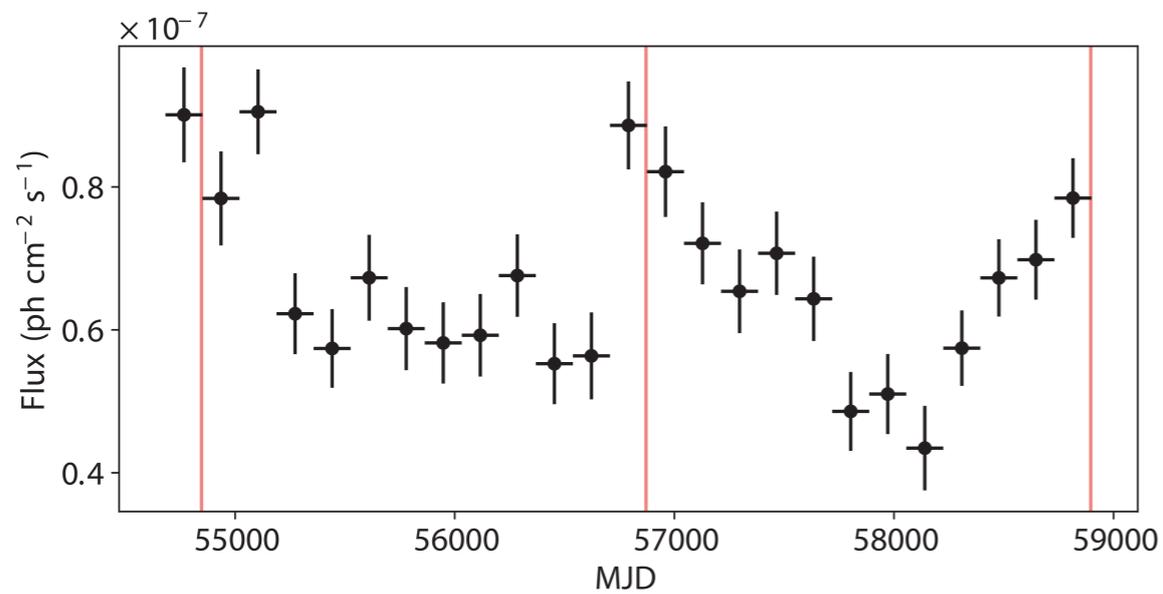
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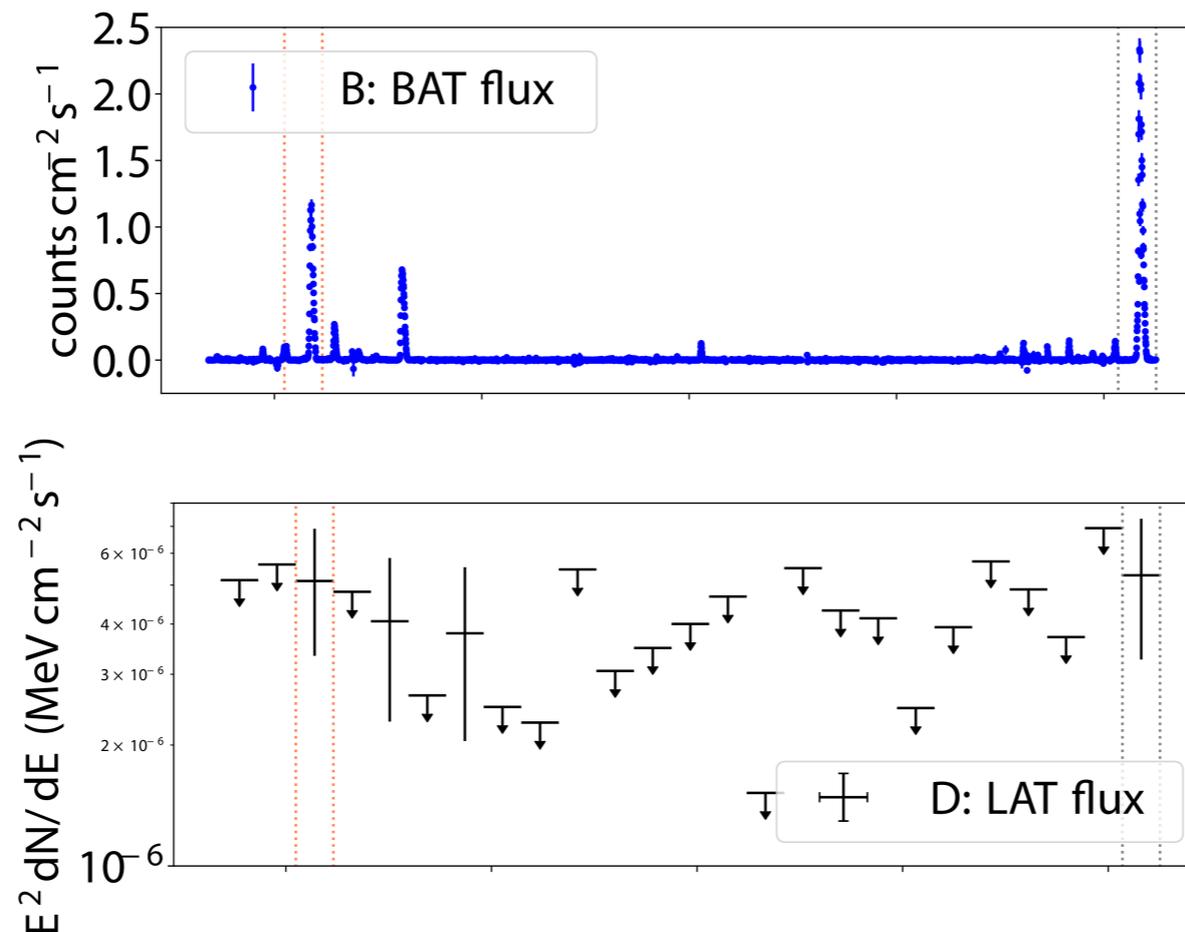
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other sources

- 1A 0535+262 is a well-studied pulsar-Be star binary system with an orbital period of 110.3 days (Finger et al. 1996). 1A 0535+262 has been the target of previous searches for γ -ray emission (Acciari et al. 2011 & Lundy et al. 2021) and is well known for its giant X-ray outbursts, the most recent of which was in November 2020



(Harvey et al. 2021)