

# Gamma Ray Observation with Tibet AS $\gamma$ Experiment

## --- Past Results and Upgrading Project ---

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For the Tibet AS  $\gamma$  Collaboration

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# Tibet AS $\gamma$ Experiment

Tibet China ( $90.522^{\circ}\text{E}$ ,  $30.102^{\circ}\text{N}$ ) 4300 m a.s.l., since 1989

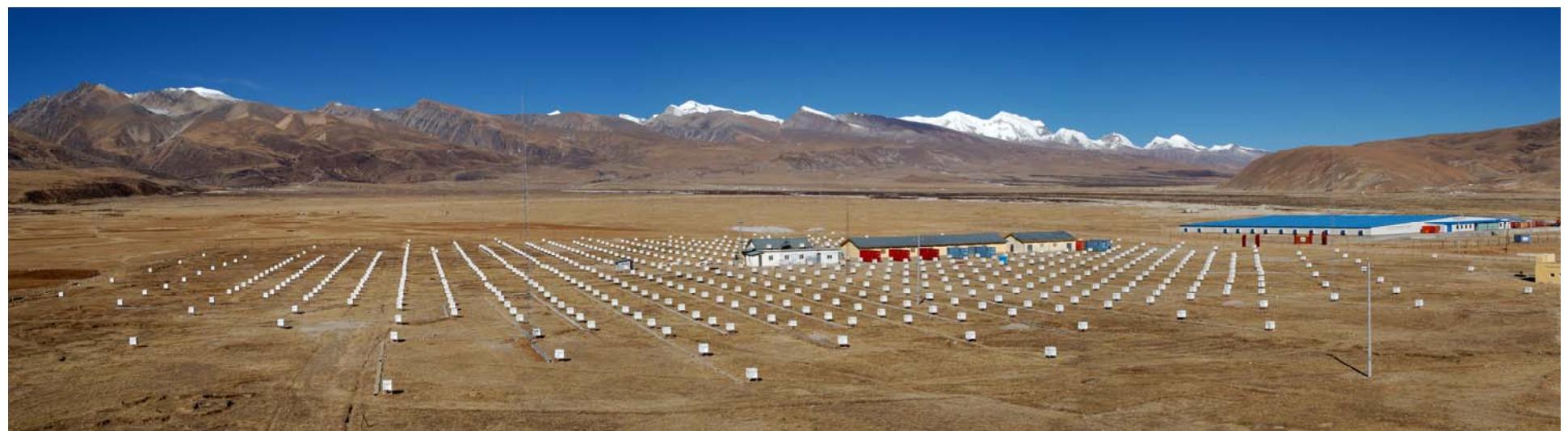
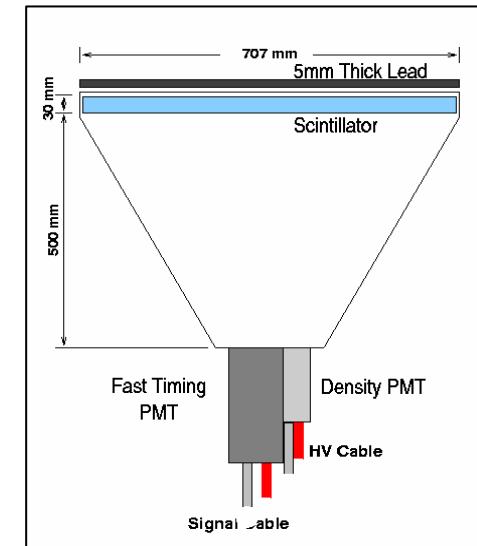
Number of Scinti. Det.                     $0.5 \text{ m}^2 \times 789$

Angular Resolution for gamma rays     $\sim 0.9 \text{ deg.}@3 \text{ TeV}$   
                                                   $\sim 0.5 \text{ deg.}@10 \text{ TeV}$   
                                                   **$\sim 0.2 \text{ deg.}@100 \text{ TeV}$**

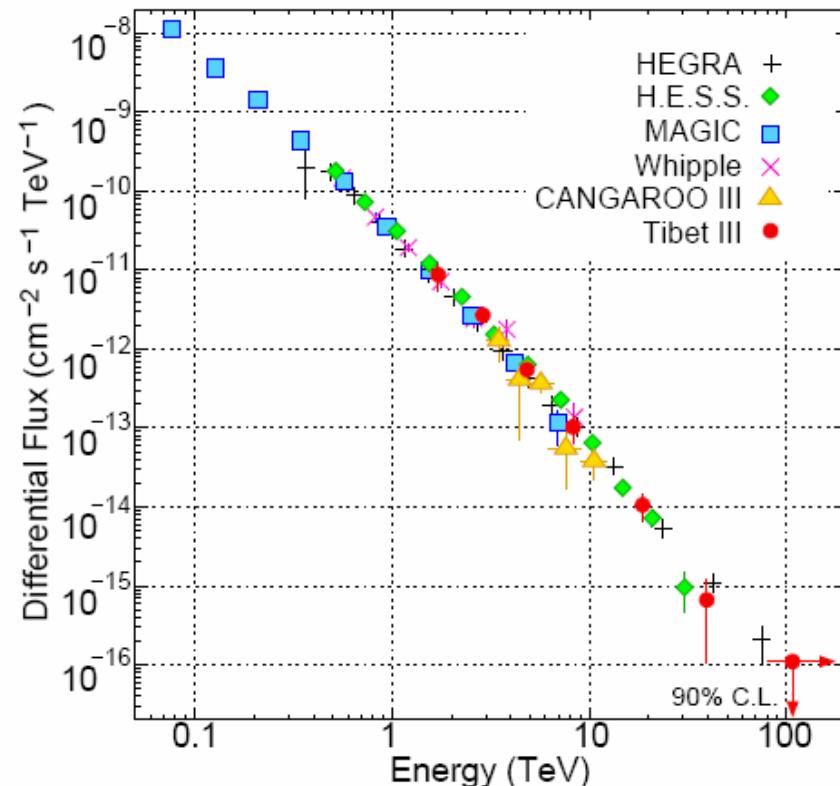
Energy Resolution for gamma rays     $\sim 100\% @3 \text{ TeV}$   
                                                   $\sim 60\% @10 \text{ TeV}$   
                                                   **$\sim 40\% @100 \text{ TeV}$**

F.O.V.                                         $\sim 2 \text{ sr}$

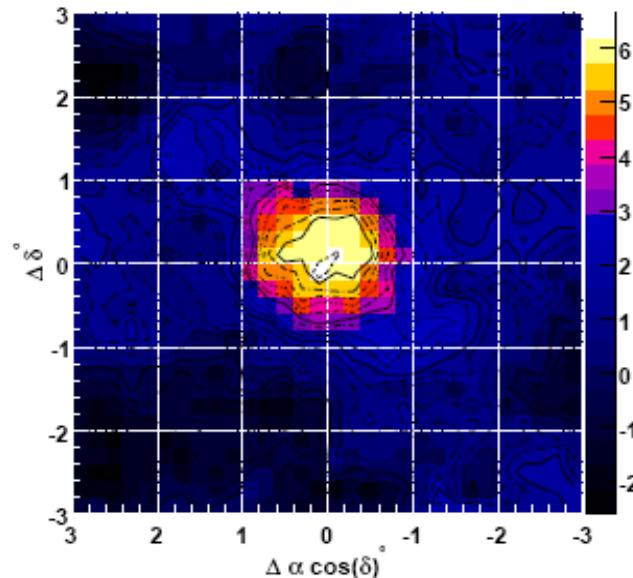
Effective Area for AS  $\sim 37,000 \text{ m}^2$



# Energy Spectrum of Gamma Rays from Crab Nebula



[ApJ, 525, L93-L96 \(1999\)](#)  
[ApJ, 692, 61 \(2009\)](#)



Consistent with other observations using IACTs

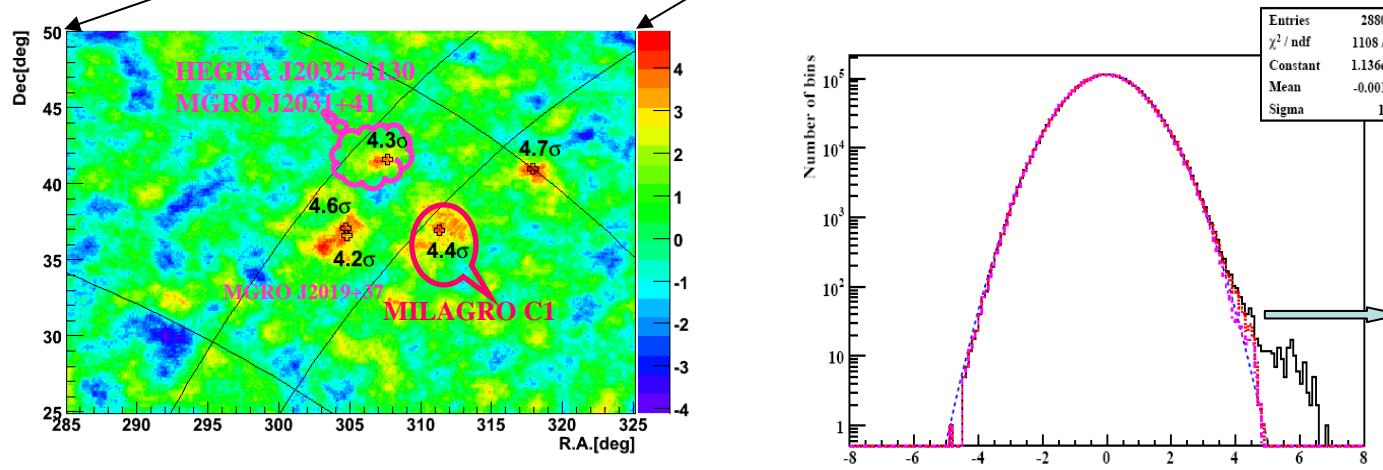
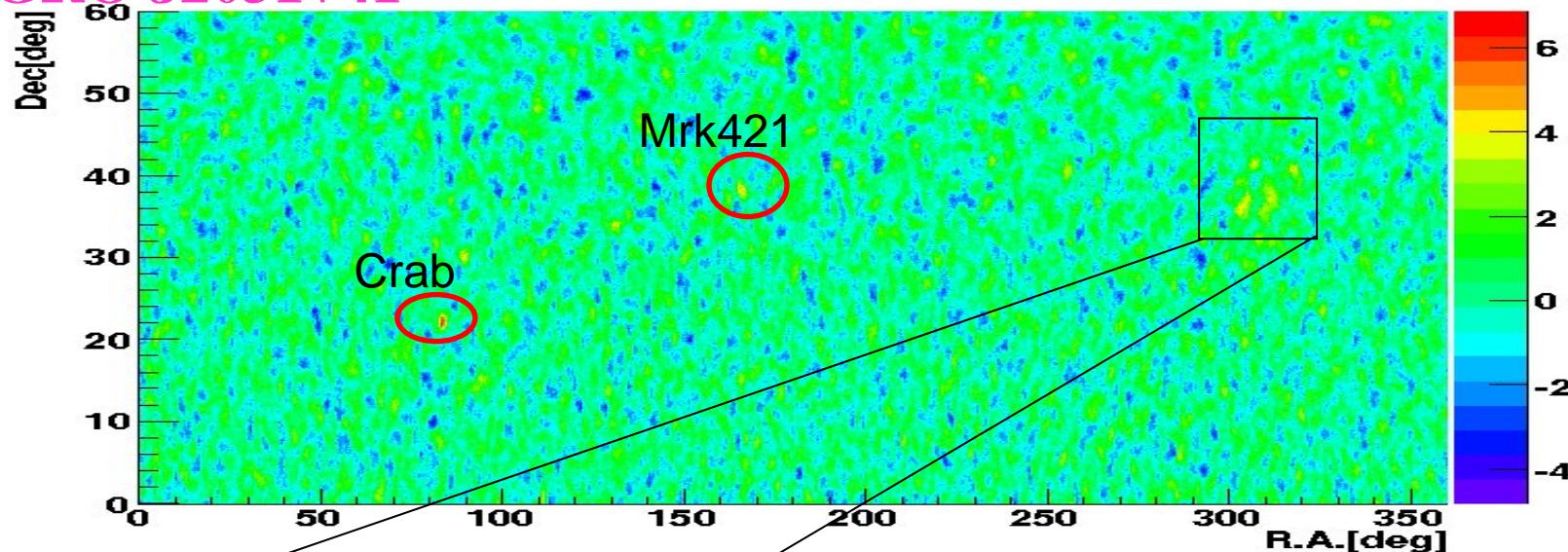
Other point source:

- Flare of Mrk501 [ApJ, 532, 302-307 \(2000\)](#)
- Flare of Mrk421 [ApJ, 598, 242-249 \(2003\)](#)

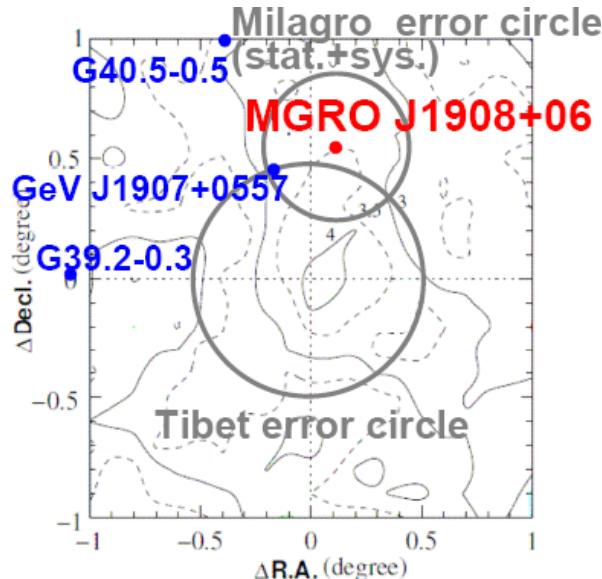
# Northern Sky Survey & Cygnus Region

**MGRO J2019+37**  
**MGRO J2031+41**

—Smooth radius is optimal angular resolution( $0.99^\circ$ )  
 considering the extension  $0.32^\circ$  of MGRO J2019+37



# MGRO J1908+06



**Figure 1.** The significance for an event excess as a function of right ascension and declination in a  $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$  region with the position [R.A. =  $287.1^\circ$ , decl. =  $5.5^\circ$  (J2000)] in the center observed between 2000 October and 2001 September. For each bin, the significance is calculated for the area of the circle with radius  $1.4^\circ$  and the bin center as the central point. The contour lines are drawn with a step of  $0.5\sigma$ .

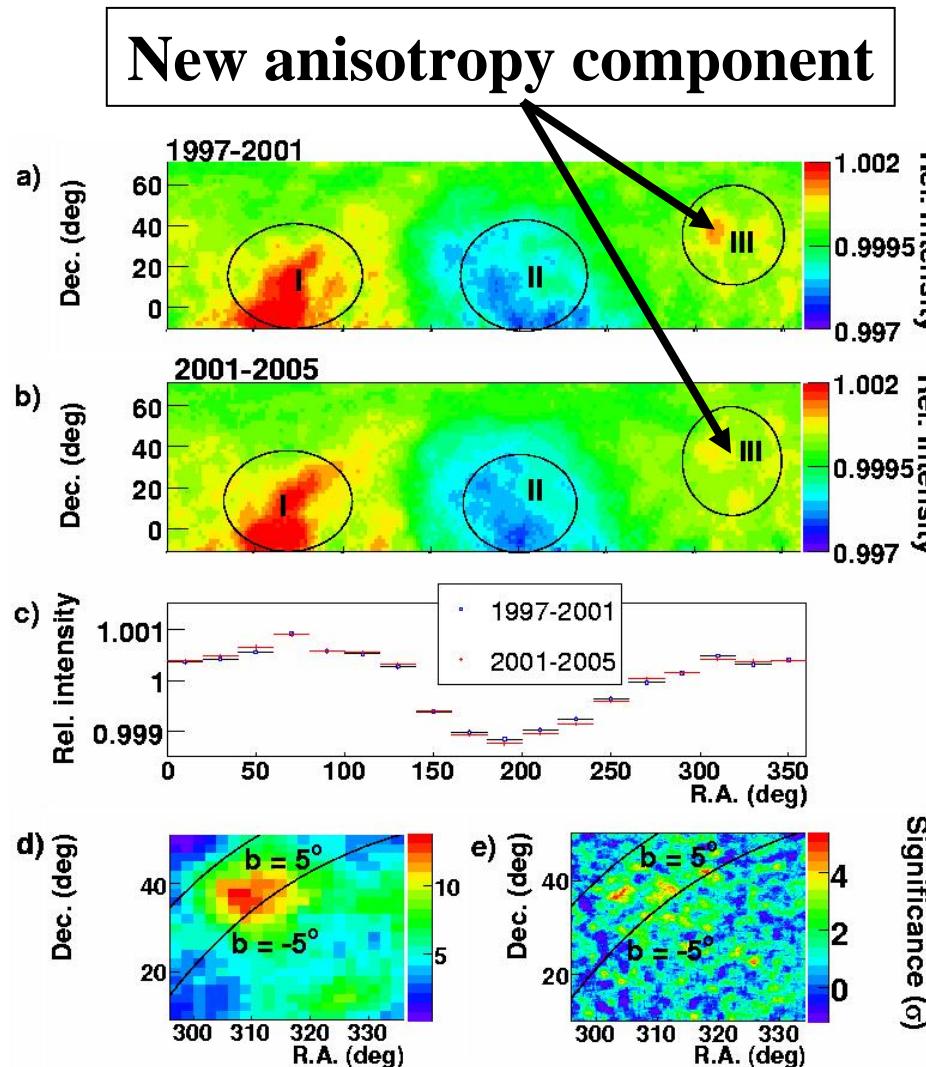
**Tibet AS  $\gamma$  :**  
**marginal excess**  
 **$\sim 4.4 \sigma$  (pre-trial)**

**Subsequently**  
**Milagro:**  
**clear excess ( $\sim 7.4 \sigma$ )**

J.L. Zhang for the Tibet AS  $\gamma$  Collaboration,  
28th ICRC, vol. 4, pp 2405 - 2408 (2003)  
Amenomori et al., 29th ICRC, vol. 4,  
pp 93 - 96 (2005)  
Amenomori et.al, ApJ 633,1005 (2005)

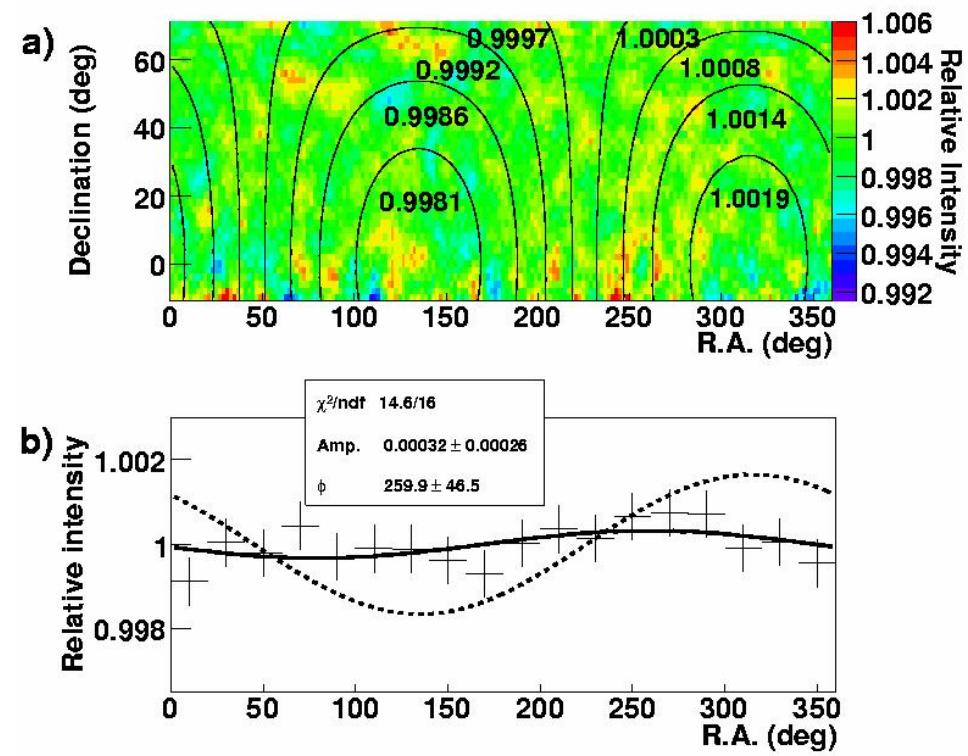
# New Anisotropy Component and Corotation Evidence of the GCR (Science 314(2006)439-443)

## Celestial Intensity map (E~3TeV)



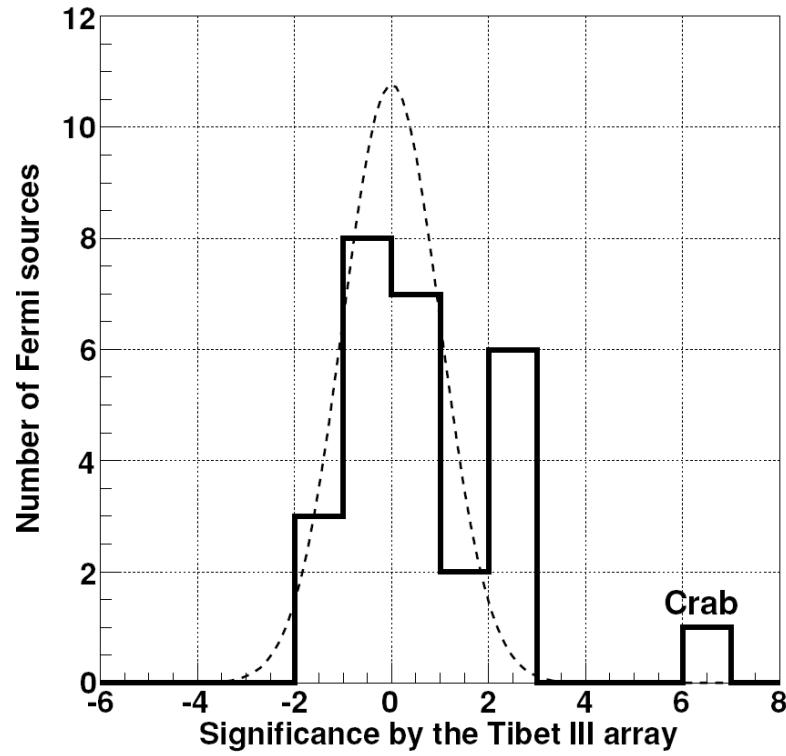
## Intensity @ E~300TeV

Amp=0.16% w/o corotation;  
Observation:  $0.03\% \pm 0.03\%$ .



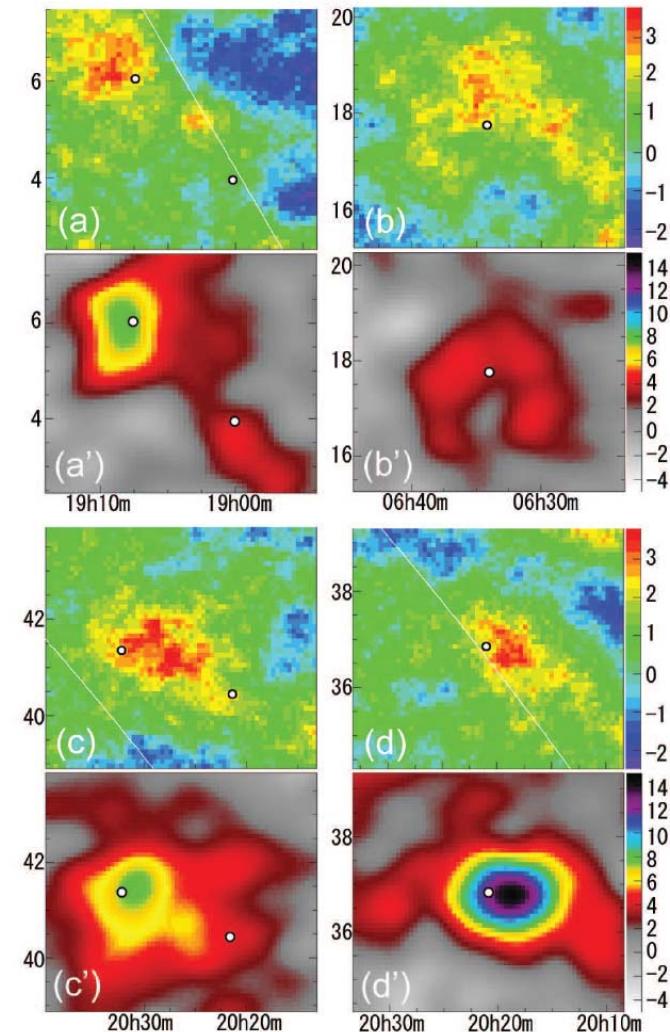
# Observation of TeV Gamma Rays From the Early 27 Fermi Bright Galactic Source

ApJ, 709:L6–L10, 2010



7 sources  $\geq 2$  sigma

0.61 expected



# Result on $\gamma$ Emission at 100TeV without Having MUON Detector

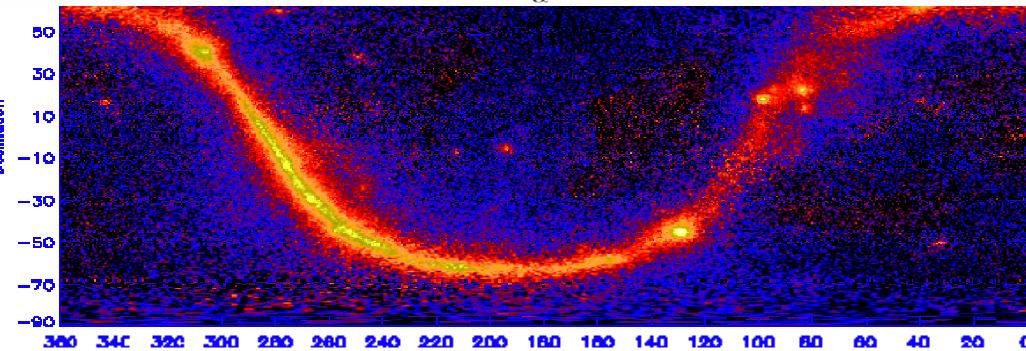
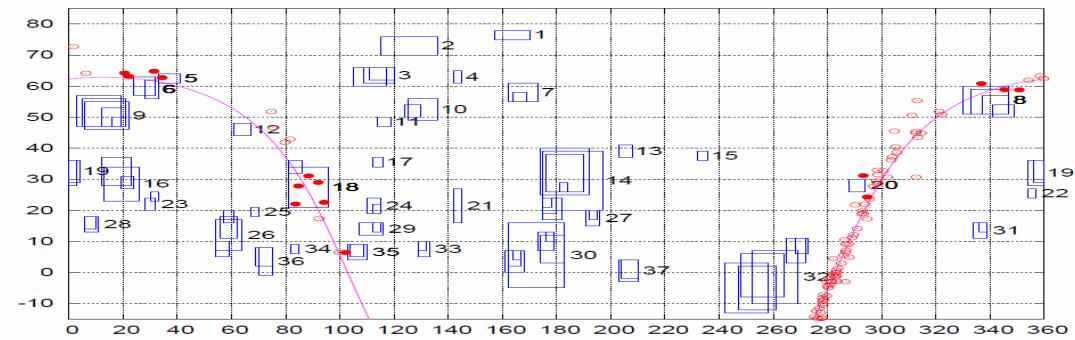
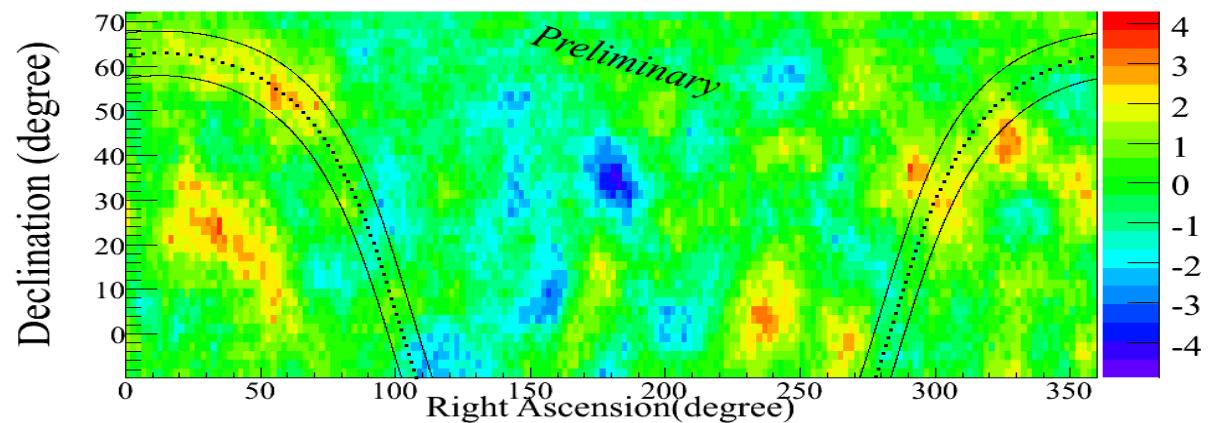
Upper: Hints of 100TeV  $\gamma$  emission?

TibetMD would answer this question

Middle : EAS-1000 prototype array from 100TeV to 10 PeV.

Lower:  $\gamma$  ray observation by satellite experiment EGRET at GeV energy.

(Zhaoyang Feng et al, ICRC2009)



## The Tibet AS $\gamma$ Experiment,

- Crab, Mrk501 , Mrk421 observed
- marginal excess of three Milagro sources.
- Possible diffuse  $\gamma$ -ray signal from Cygnus region
- Hints of 100TeV  $\gamma$  emission

But

No new significant TeV  $\gamma$ -ray point source discovered

## Advantages and disadvantage

- High altitude
- High duty cycle
- large FOV
- Big area

But

Poor ability for  $\gamma$  /p discrimination

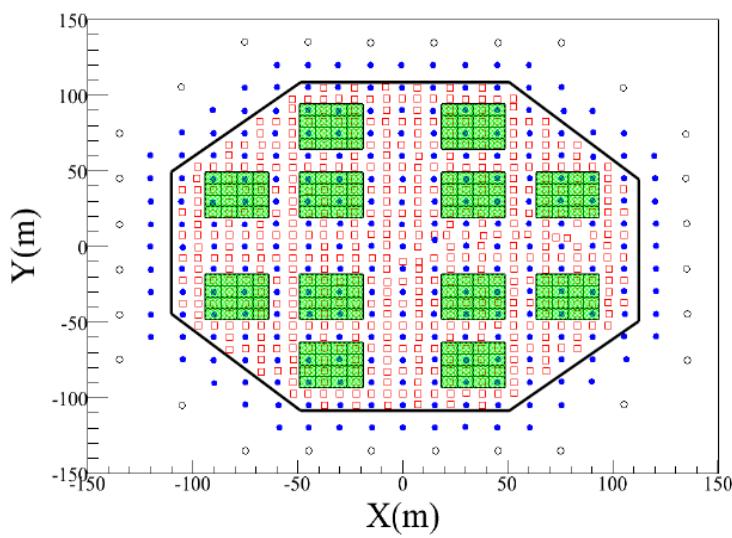
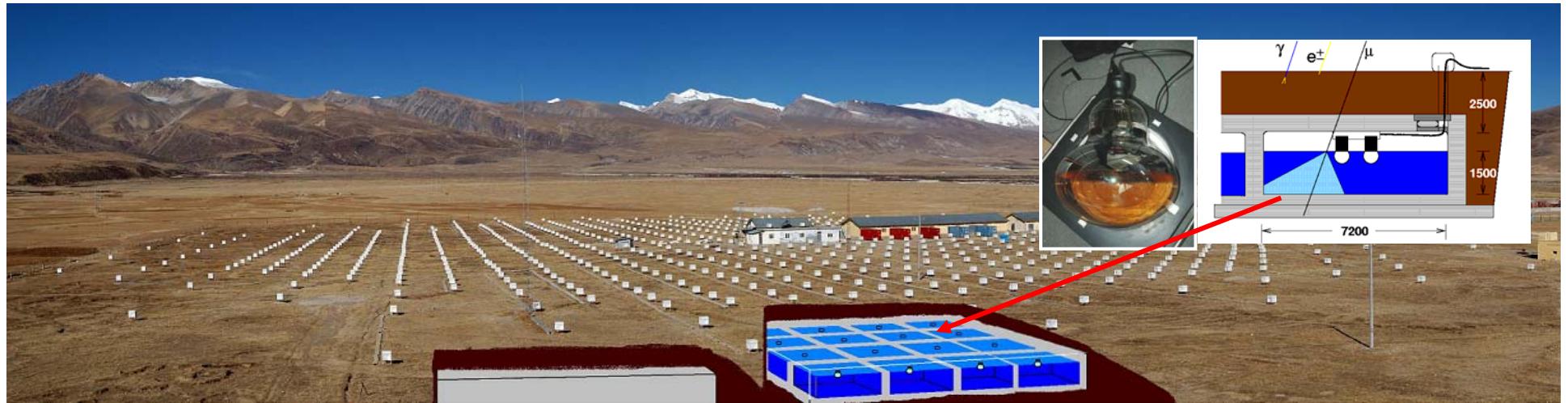
## Future

TibetMD: Improve ability for  $\gamma$  /p discrimination

- 100 TeV-region gamma ray astronomy
- Knee physics (combining YAC, see Dr. Huang Jing's talk at this afternoon.)

# Tibet MD: 10,000m<sup>2</sup> underground Muon Detector

## Measuring muon number in air shower



### MD array

- $12 \times 16 = 192$  muon detectors ( $\sim 10,000 \text{ m}^2$ )
- 2.5m underground ( $\sim 515 \text{ g/cm}^2$ ,  $\sim 19X_0$ )

### Each muon detector

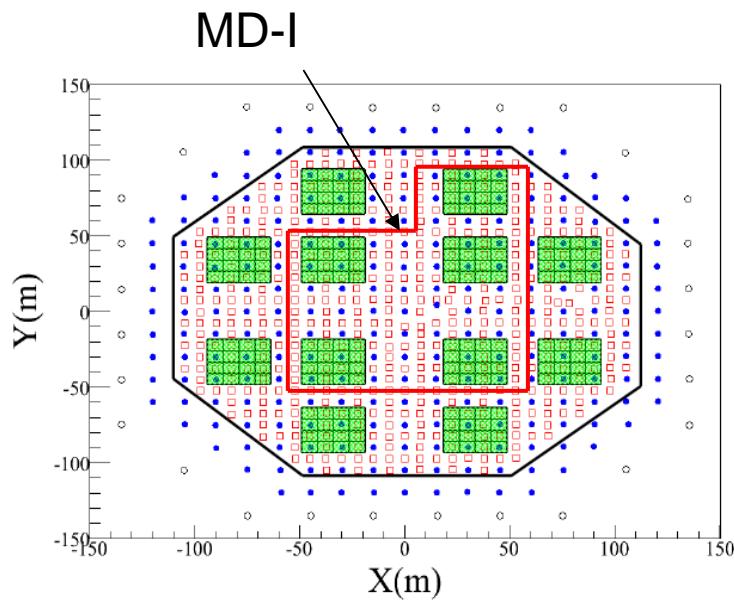
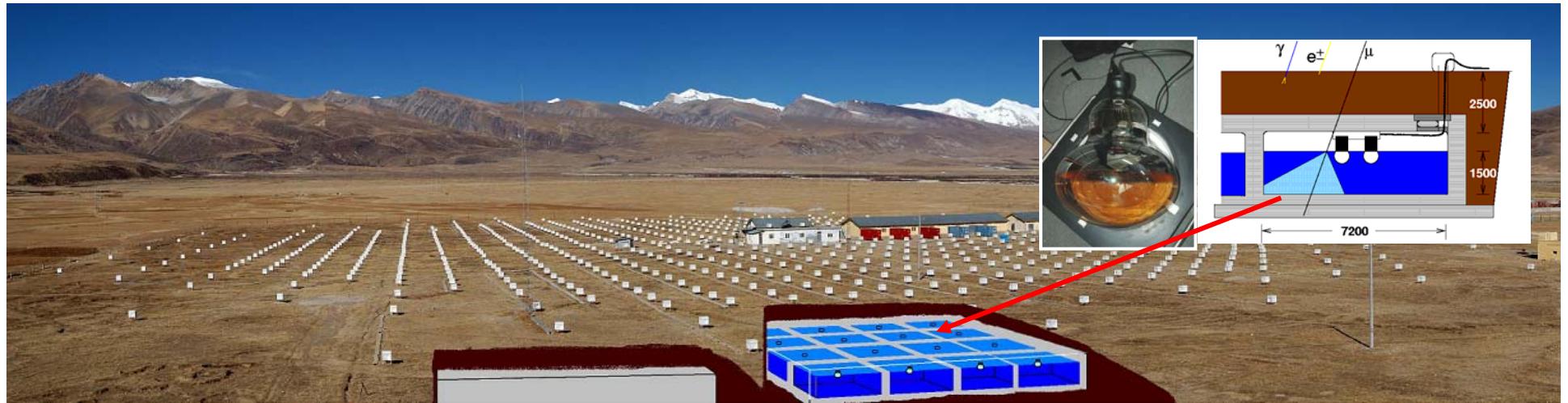
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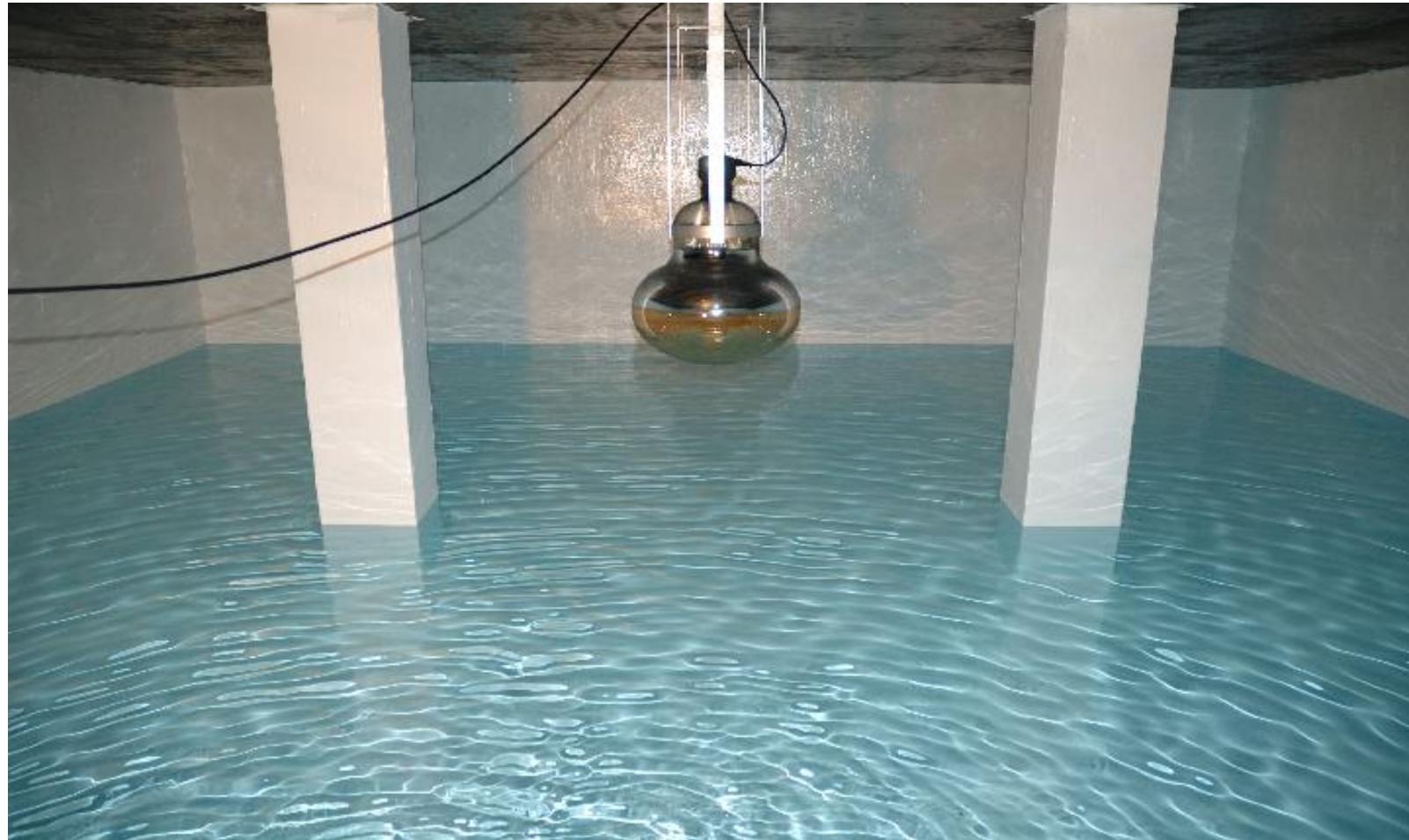
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# Inside View of MD Prototype@2007



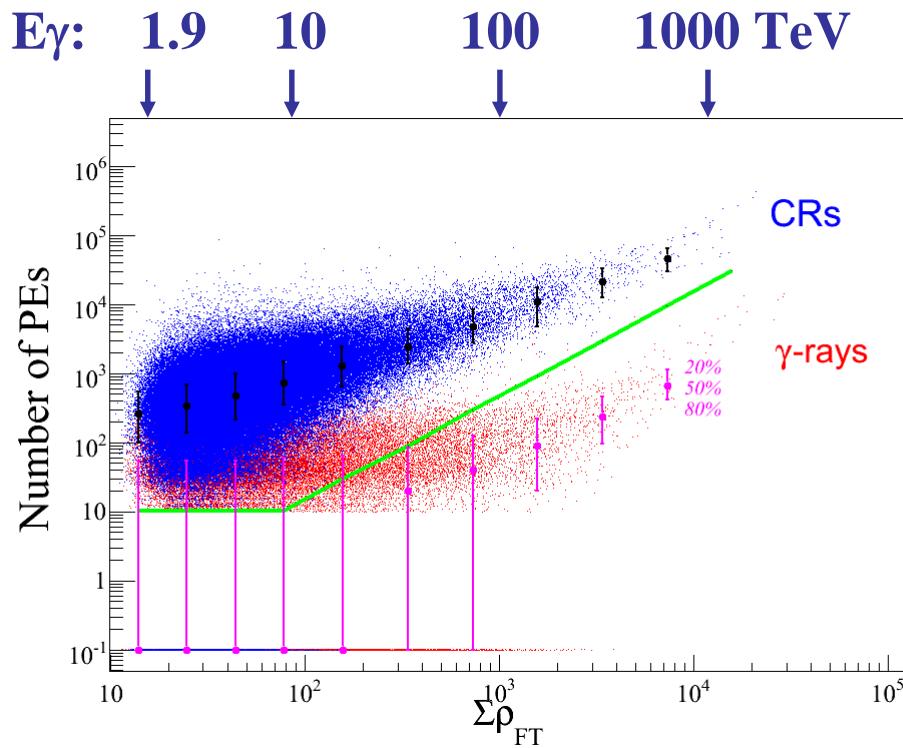
## Number of muons vs. Shower Size (Simulation) (full-scale)

$\Sigma\rho_{FT}$ : Sum of particle density of all scintillation det.

$\propto$  **Shower Size (a measure of energy)**

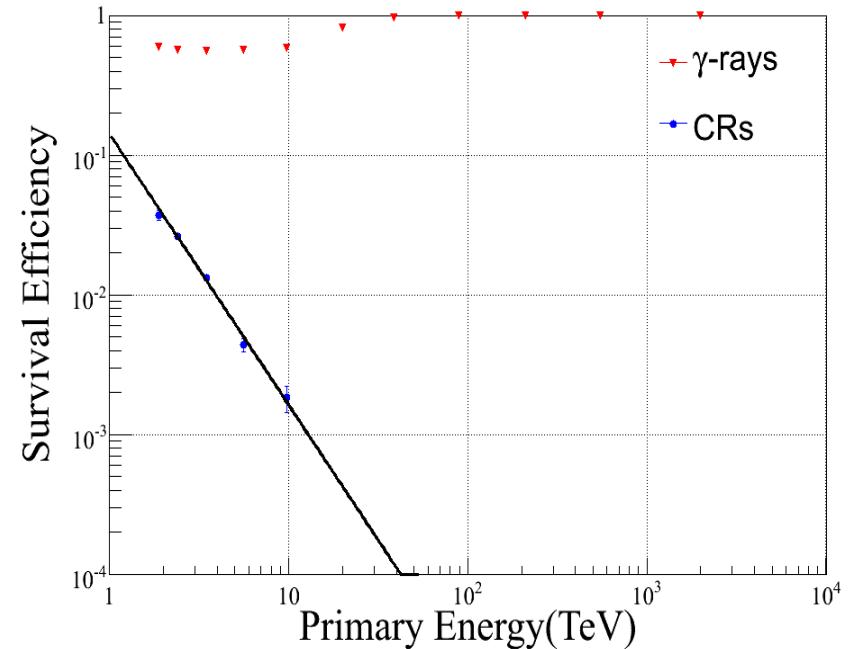
$\Sigma N_{PE}$ : Sum of photoelectrons of all muon det.

$\propto$  **the number of muons in air showers**

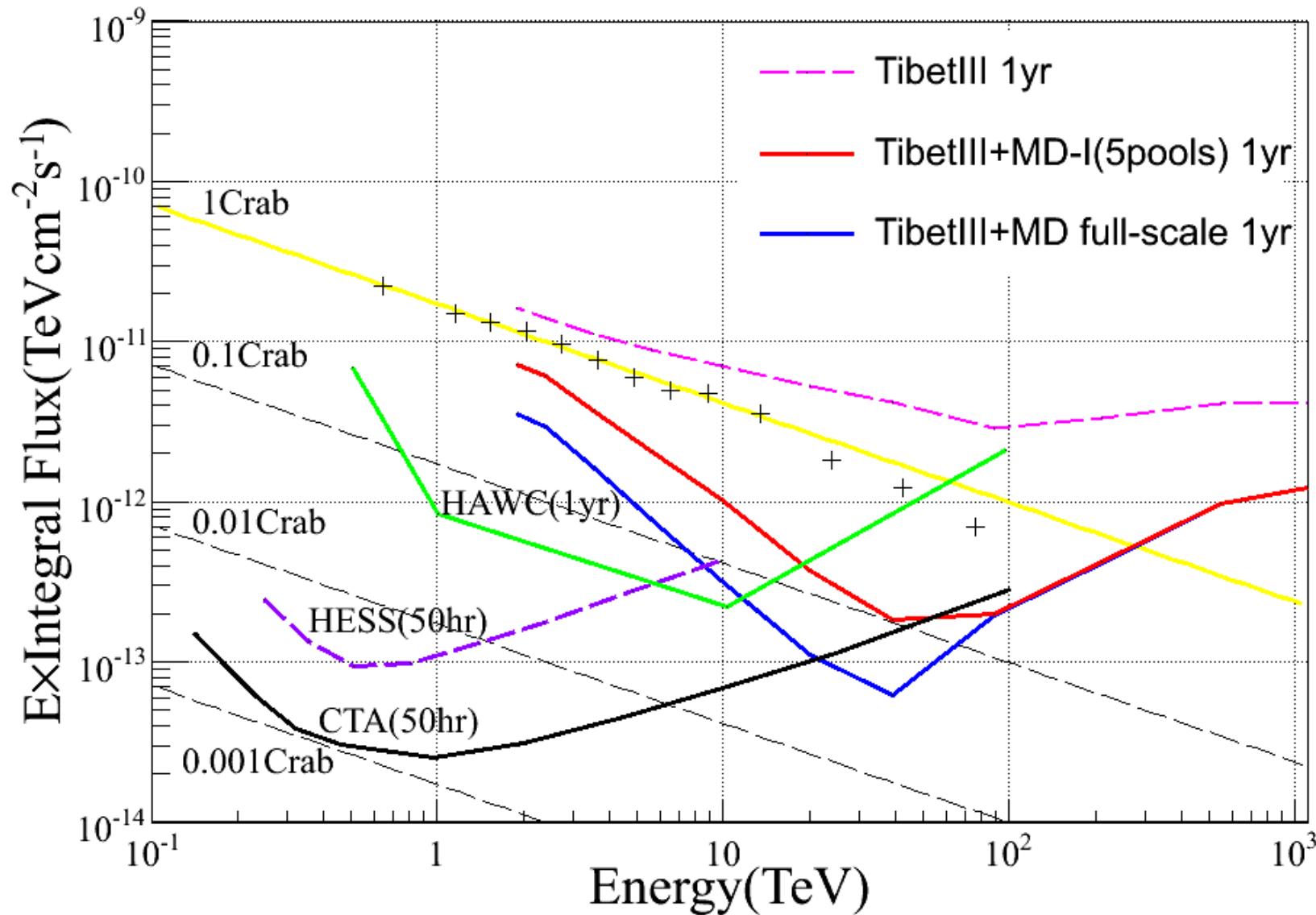


## Survival Efficiency (Simulation)

Energy	1.9TeV	10 TeV	100 TeV
$\Sigma N_{PE}$ cut value	10PEs	~30 PE	~910 PE
BG rejection	95.4%	~99.7%	>~99.99%
$\gamma$ survival	59%	~61%	~99%
Sensitivity	2.8 ftimes improved	~11 times improved	BG free

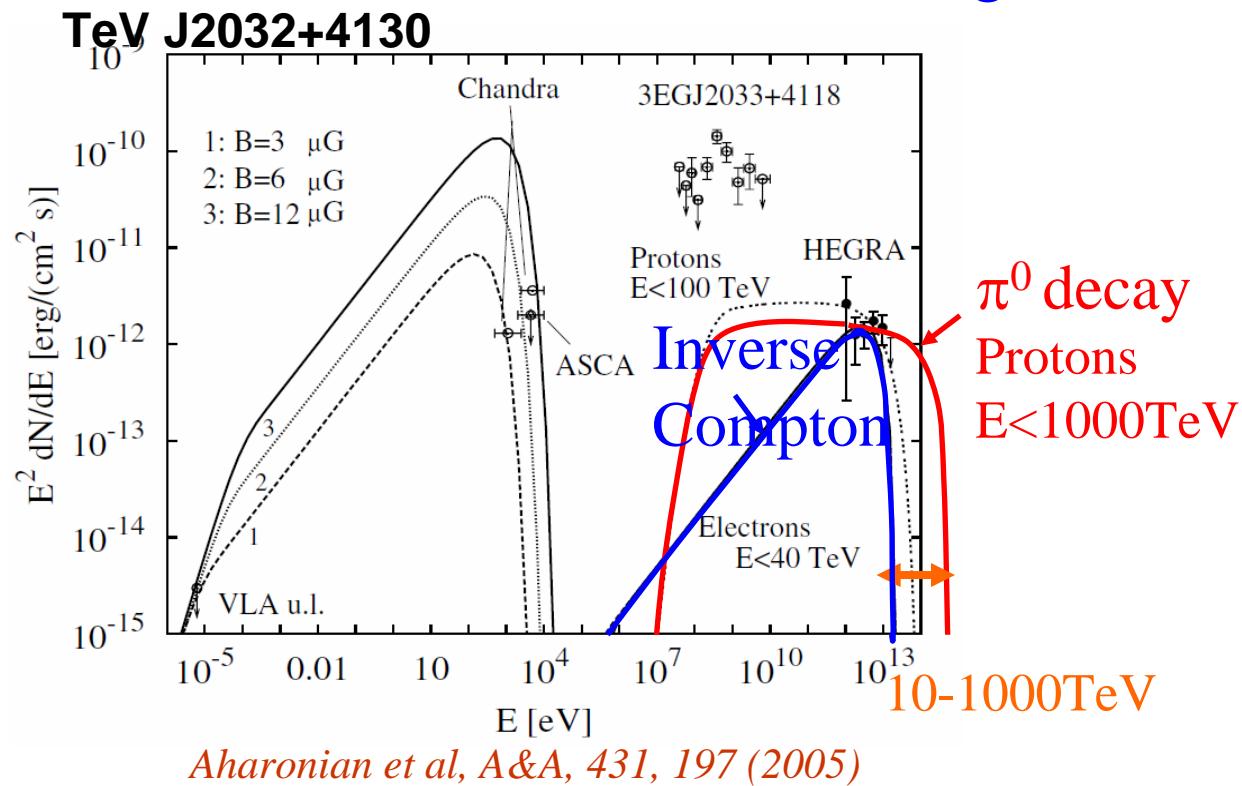


## $5\sigma$ or 10 ev. Sensitivity to Point-like Gamma-ray Source(Crab)



**Origin of Cosmic Rays – A Fundamental Problem.**  
**Where do galactic cosmic rays under the knee region come from?**  
leptonic VS hadronic origin of gamma-ray emission from celestial source?

## Multi-wavelength Observation



➤ **synchrotron radiation and Klein-Nishima effect** greatly suppress the **100TeV gamma ray radiation of electron by IC process.**

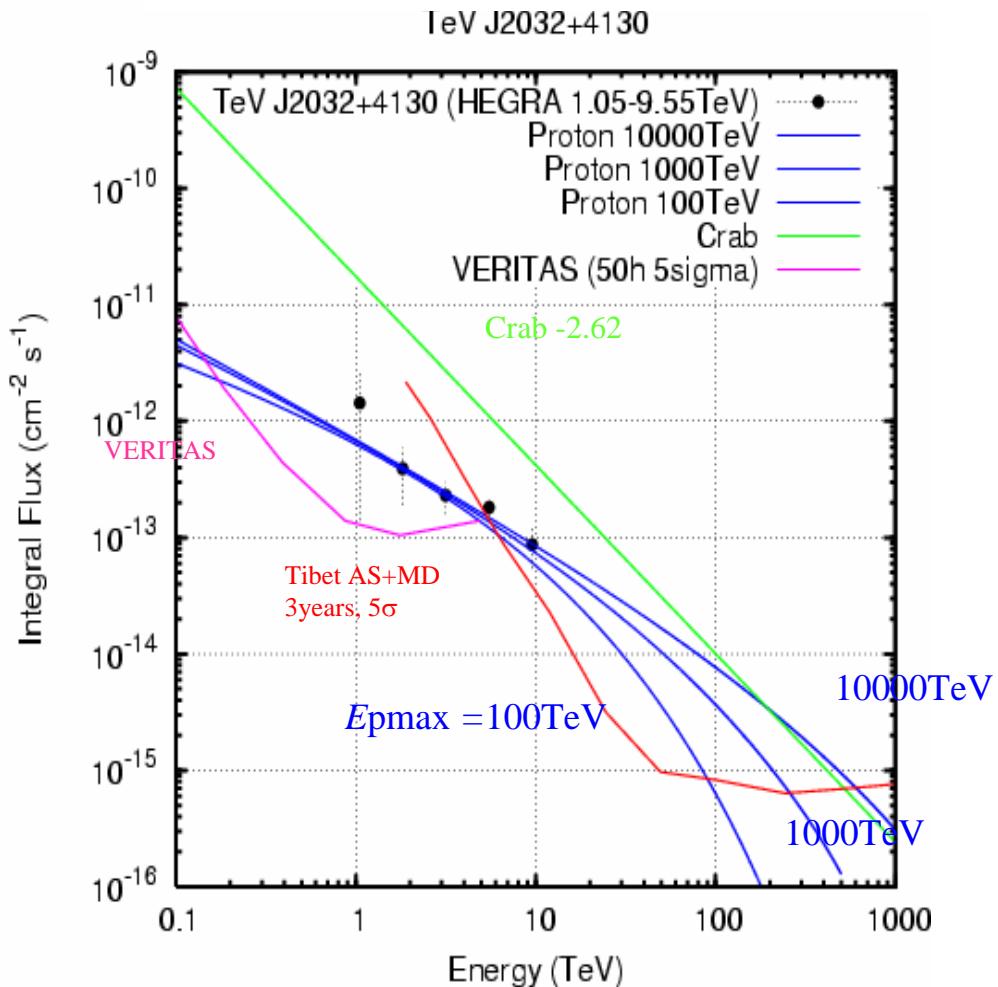
➤ **100 TeV Gamma Ray—hadronic origin:** the decay of secondary  $\pi^0$  from interaction of the VHE CRs with the ambient gas

## Origin of Cosmic Rays – A Fundamental Problem.

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leptonic VS hadronic origin of gamma-ray emission from celestial source?

## Multi-wavelength Observation



● **100TeV gamma ray----**  
**A new window in**  
**electromagnetic wave**  
**observation**

● **Observation of 100TeV----**  
**greatly improve our**  
**knowledge to the question:**  
**where is the origin of CR?**

Very preliminary from now on

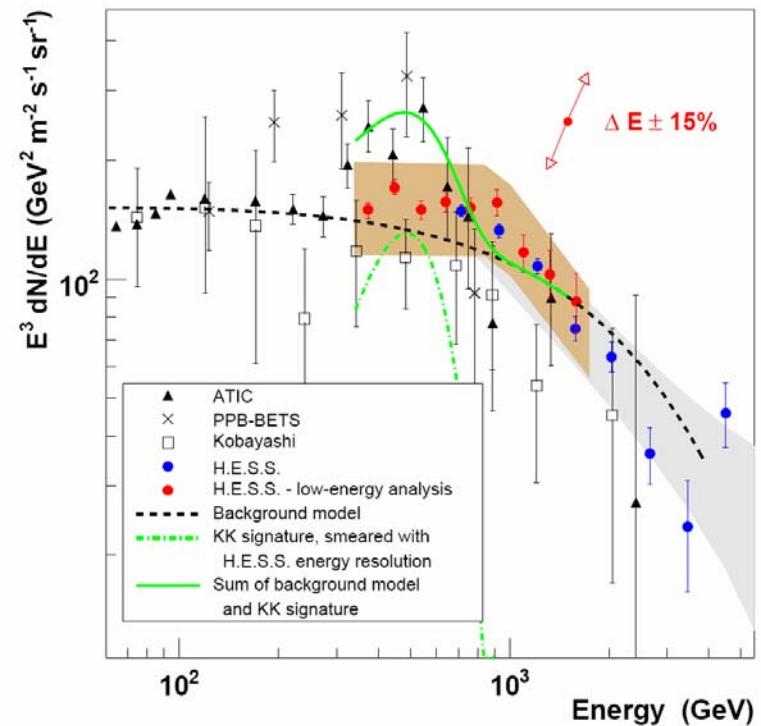
Let's see

**Multi-TeV - 100 TeV cosmic ray electron  
and DM electron detection by**

**Tibet-III + MD**

# Peaks in electron spectrum

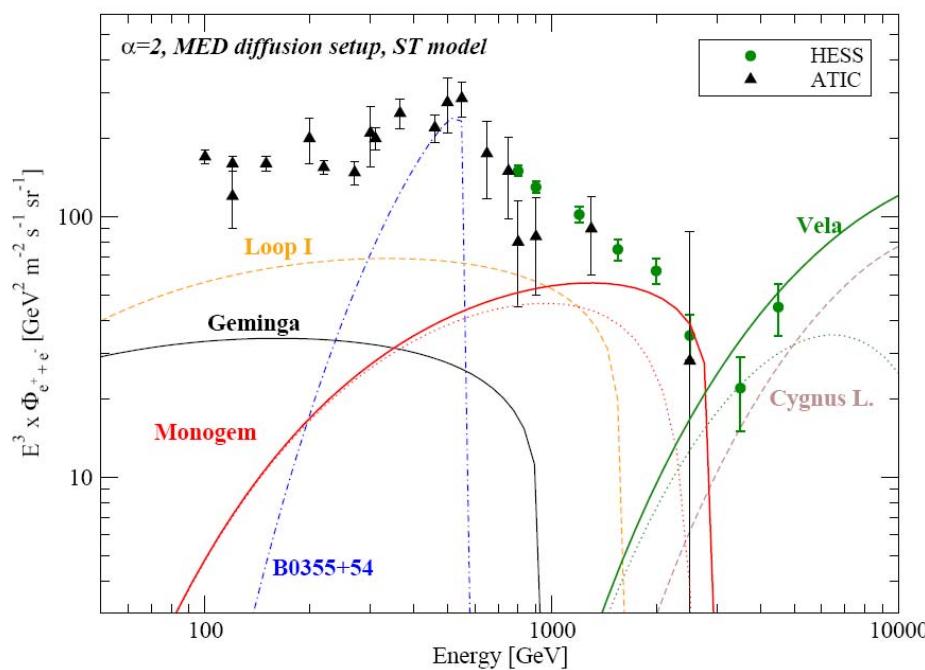
- Dark Matter signal
- Cosmic ray propagation effect
- Nearby pulsar production
- CRs(knee)+  $\gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-$   
(H.B.Hu et al)



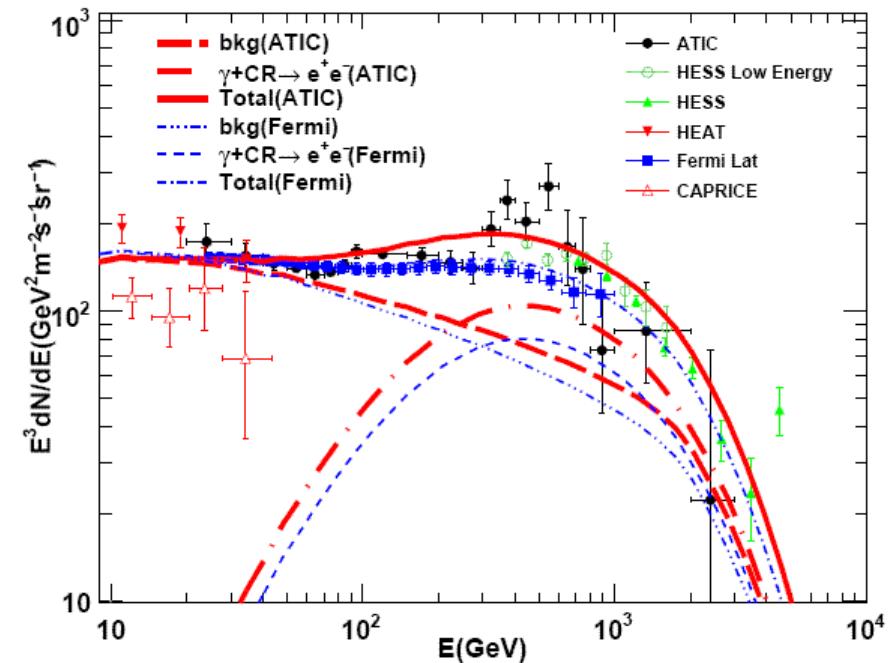
# Peaks in electron spectrum

Pulsar Production **VS** CRs(knee)+  $\gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-$  Production

arXiv:0812.4457



ApJ 700:L170–L173, 2009



Electron spectrum@>Multi-TeV: sensitive in testing the models

# Detection of Cosmic Ray Electron and Electron Generated by Dark Matter

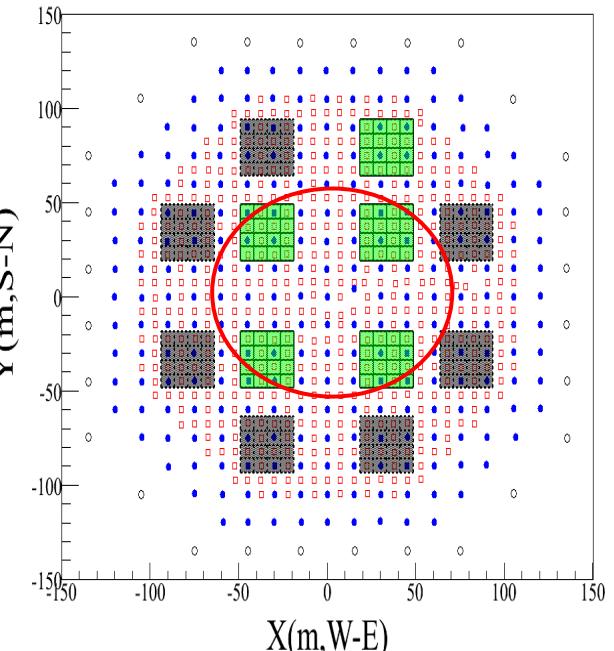
## MC study:

Cosmic ray electron:

extrapolation of electron spectrum measured by HESS

Electron generated by DM :

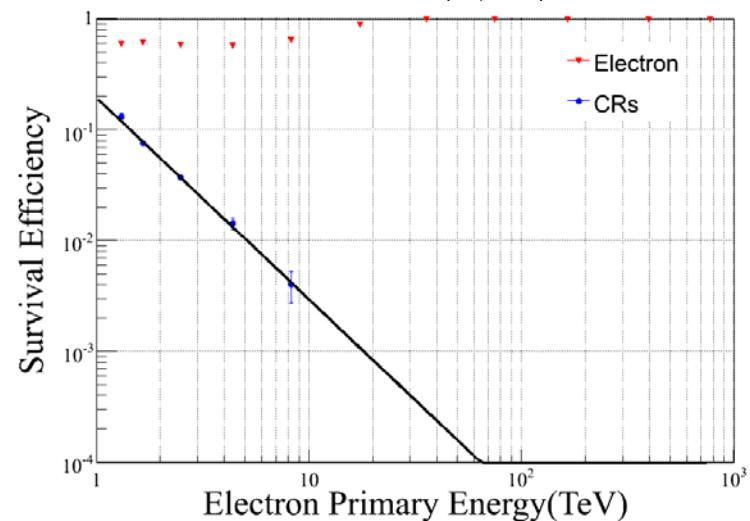
- 1) Calculated in a model independent way
- 2)  $x \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ , Natural Scale:  $\langle \sigma v \rangle = 3 \times 10^{-26} \text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$
- 3) Einasto distribution, only considering the main halo
- 4) Considering transportation in Galaxy (GALPROP)



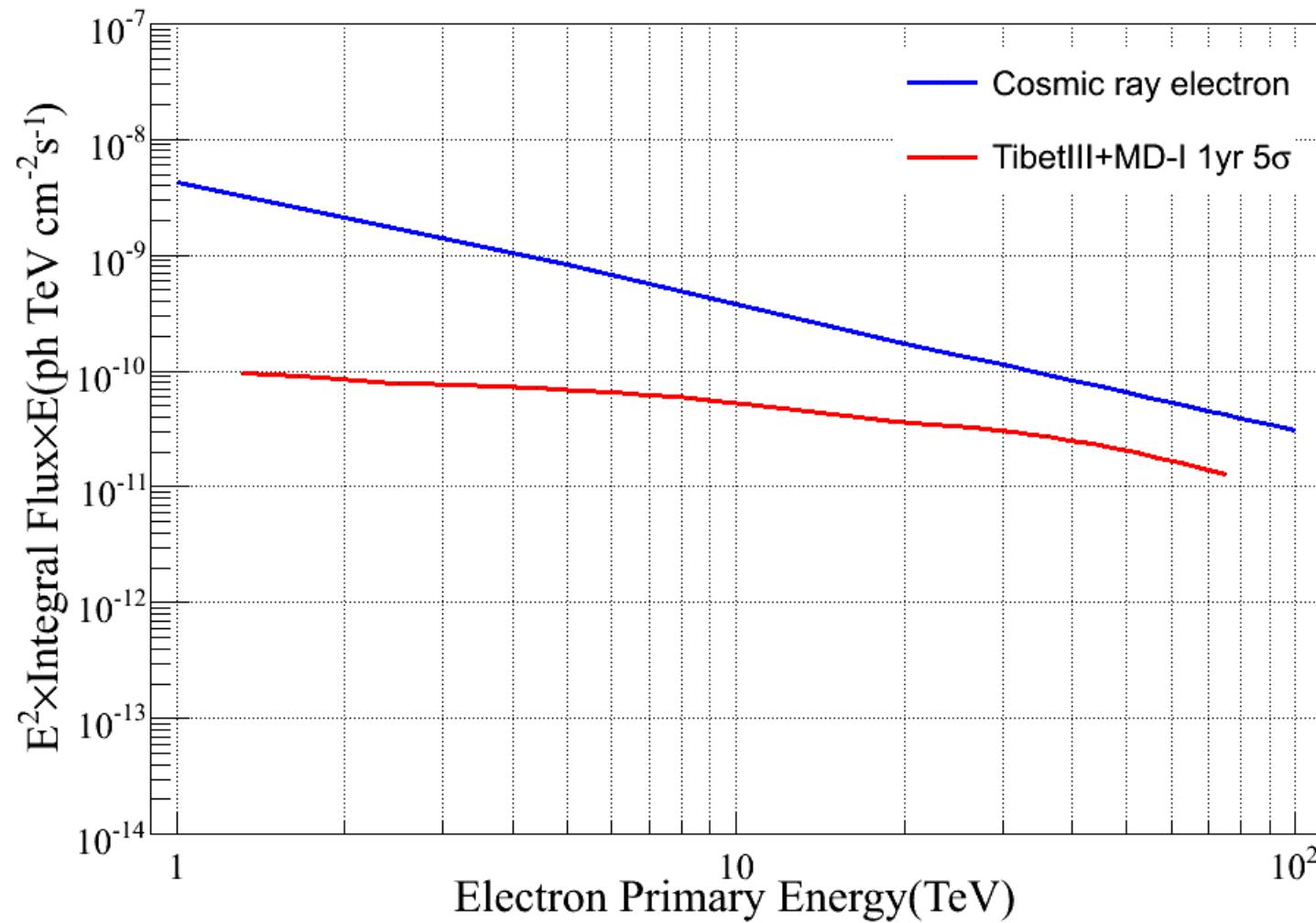
## With MD-I (5 pools),

Data selection to get maximum S/B ratio:

- $R < 50 \text{m}$
- Zenith angle  $< 25^\circ$  ( $\text{secTheta} < 1.1$ )

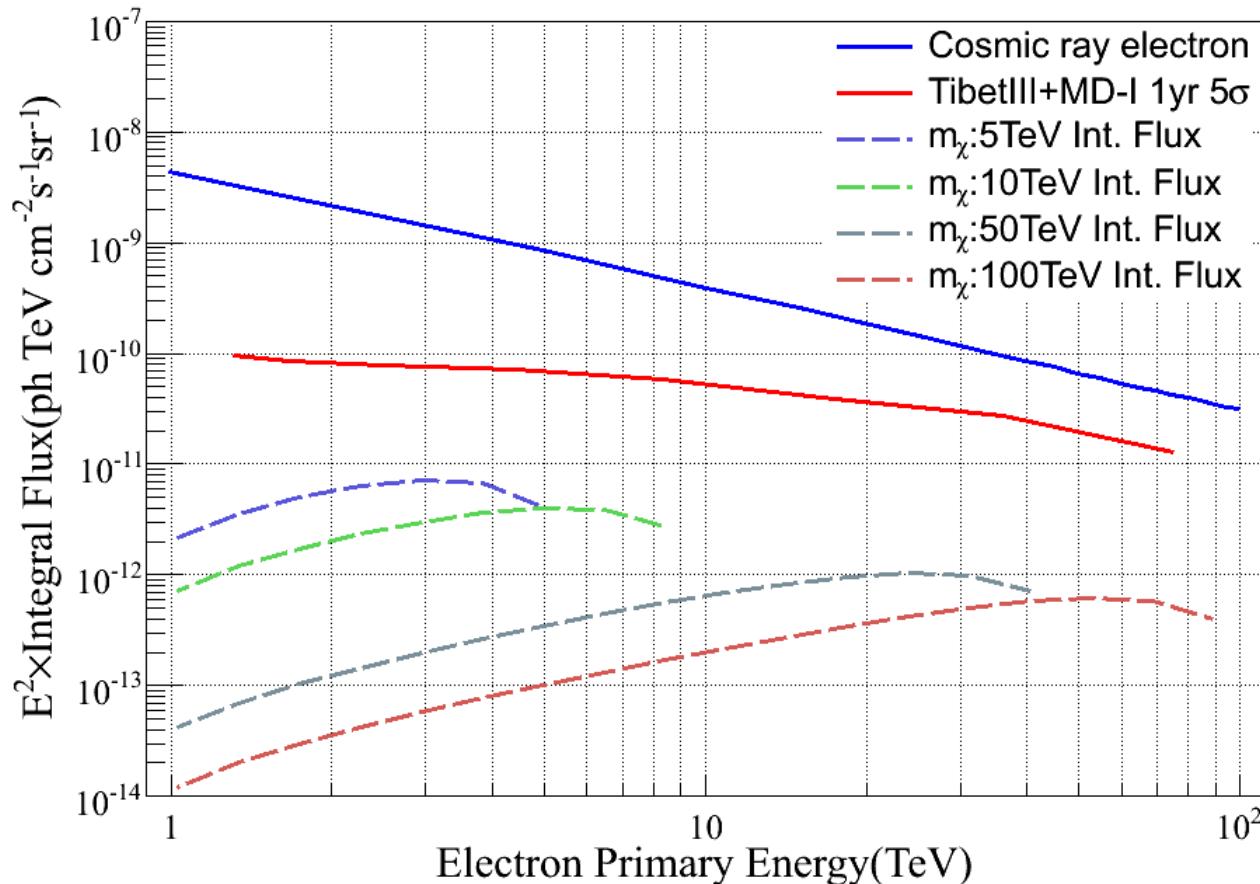


# Sensitivity for Cosmic Ray Electron



# Sensitivity for Indirect Detection of DM

Cosmic ray electron  
VS electron fluxes from DM annihilation



# Summary

- **Tibet AS  $\gamma$  Experiment has been successfully operated since 1989**

Crab, Mrk501 , Mrk421 observed

Marginal excess of three Milagro sources.

Possible diffuse gamma-ray signal from Cygnus region

Hints of 100TeV  $\gamma$  emission

- **Tibet III + MD: 10000 m<sup>2</sup> underground Muon Detector**

**Gamma ray point source:** Sensitivity is 5-20% Crab @ 10-100 TeV (full-scale)

or 10%-20% Crab @ 10-100 TeV (MD-I, 5 pools)

**Cosmic ray electron:** Would be detected in high significance

Sensitive in testing the models related to the astrophysics origin of e+/e- excesses

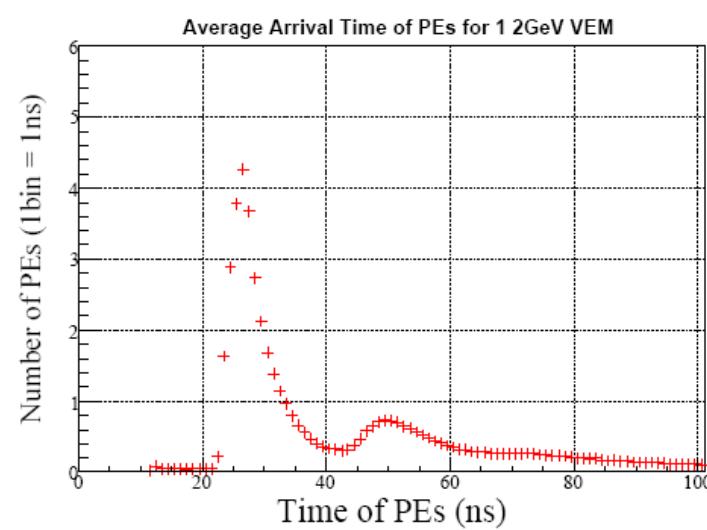
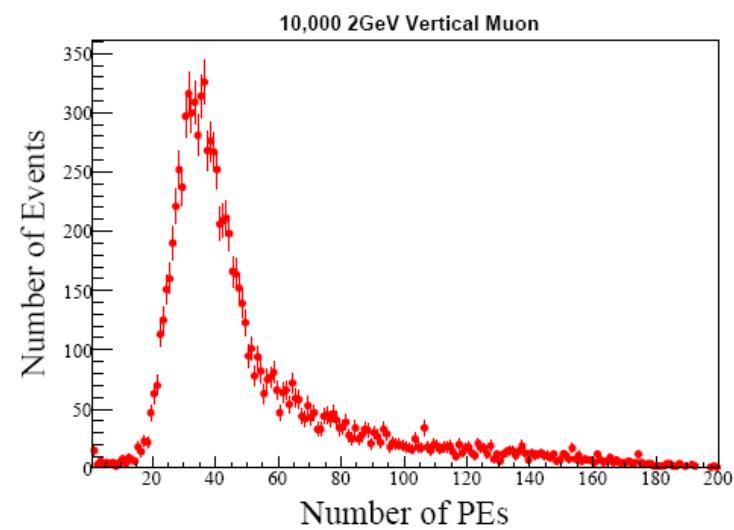
**DM electron:** Could be detected by TibetIII+MD, If it follows the  
DM models used to explain the ATIC and PAMELA excess.

- **Status**

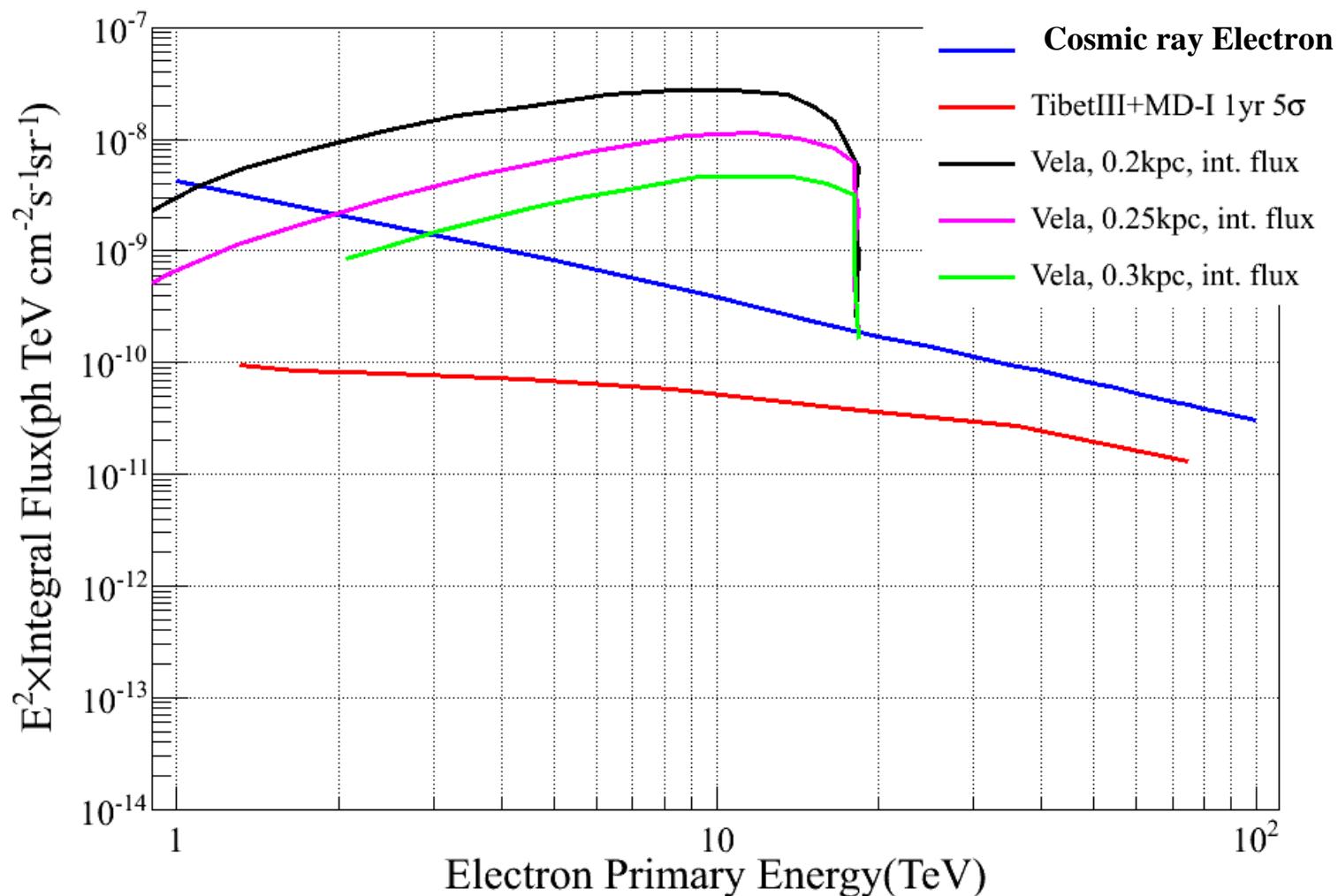
MD-I (5 pools) were constructed in 2010

Setting up the MD detectors and resuming data taking in this year

**Thanks for your attention!**



# Potential power in detecting the electrons from nearby pulsar



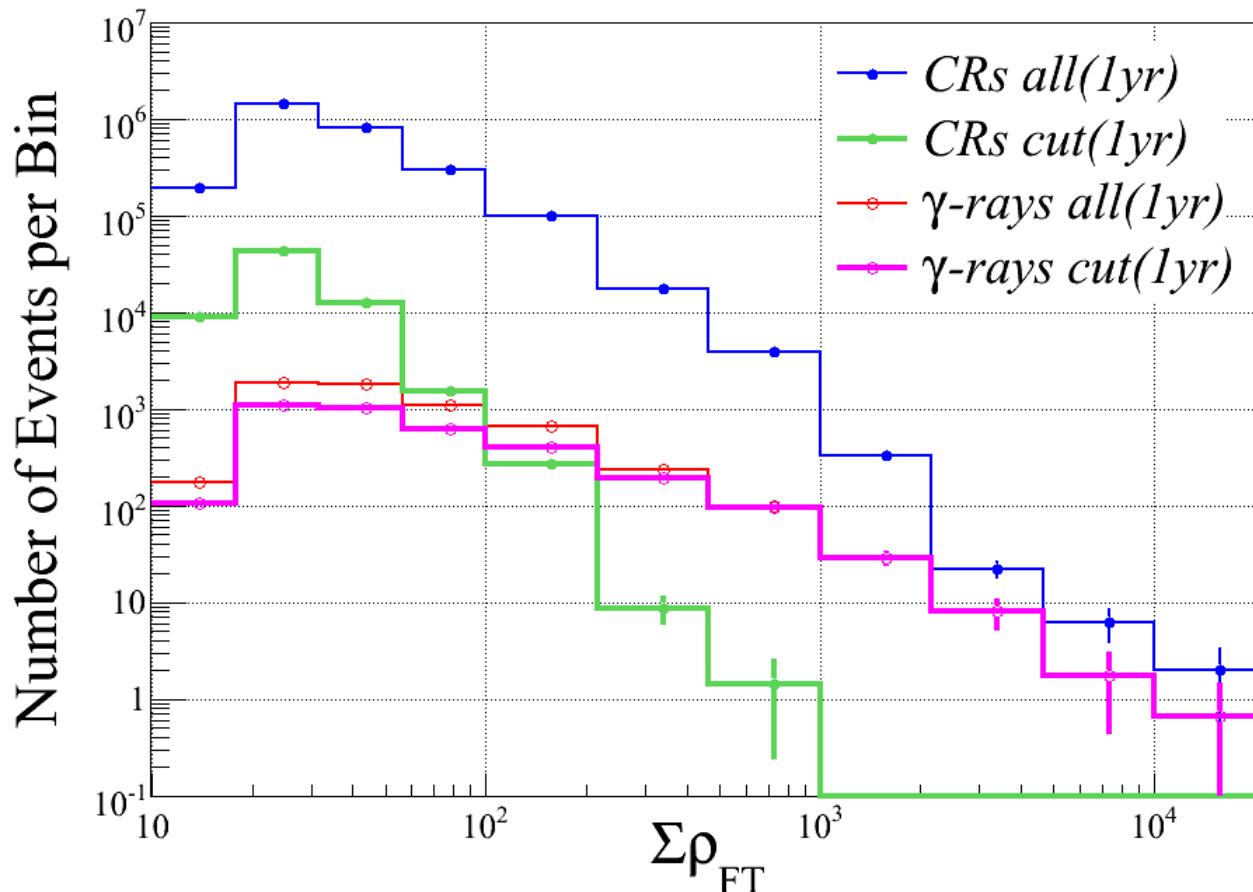
**Table 1**  
Summary of the Tibet-III Array Observations of the *Fermi* Sources

<i>Fermi</i> LAT Source (0FGL)	Class	R.A. (deg)	Decl. (deg)	Tibet-III Signi. ( $\sigma$ )	Milagro <sup>a</sup> Signi. ( $\sigma$ )	Source Associations
J0030.3+0450	PSR	7.600	4.848	1.7	-1.7	
J0357.5+3205	PSR <sup>b</sup>	59.388	32.084	-1.7	-0.1	
J0534.6+2201	PSR	83.653	22.022	6.9	17.2	Crab
J0617.4+2234	SNR	94.356	22.568	0.2	3.0	IC 443
J0631.8+1034	PSR	97.955	10.570	0.3	3.7	
J0633.5+0634	PSR <sup>b</sup>	98.387	6.578	2.4	1.4	
J0634.0+1745	PSR	98.503	17.760	2.2	3.5	Geminga
J0643.2+0858		100.823	8.983	-1.2	0.3	
J1830.3+0617		277.583	6.287	-0.2	0.2	
J1836.2+5924	PSR <sup>b</sup>	279.056	59.406	-0.3	-0.9	
J1855.9+0126	SNR	283.985	1.435	0.7	2.2	W44
J1900.0+0356		285.009	3.946	1.0	3.6	
J1907.5+0602	PSR <sup>b</sup>	286.894	6.034	2.4	7.4	MGRO J1908+06 HESS J1908+063
J1911.0+0905	SNR	287.761	9.087	1.7	1.5	G43.3 – 0.2
J1923.0+1411	SNR	290.768	14.191	-0.3	3.4	W51
						HESS J1923+141
J1953.2+3249	PSR	298.325	32.818	-0.0	0.0	
J1954.4+2838	SNR	298.614	28.649	0.6	4.3	G65.1+0.6
J1958.1+2848	PSR <sup>b</sup>	299.531	28.803	0.1	4.0	
J2001.0+4352		300.272	43.871	-0.5	-0.9	
J2020.8+3649	PSR	305.223	36.830	2.2	12.4	MGRO J2019+37
J2021.5+4026	PSR <sup>b</sup>	305.398	40.439	2.2	4.2	
J2027.5+3334		306.882	33.574	-0.3	-0.2	
J2032.2+4122	PSR <sup>b</sup>	308.058	41.376	2.4	7.6	TeV J2032+4130 MGRO J2031+41
J2055.5+2540		313.895	25.673	-0.0	-0.0	
J2110.8+4608		317.702	46.137	0.3	1.1	
J2214.8+3002		333.705	30.049	-1.0	0.6	
J2302.9+4443		345.746	44.723	-0.0	-0.6	
LAT PSR J2238+59 <sup>c</sup>	PSR <sup>b</sup>	339.561	59.080	2.5	4.7	

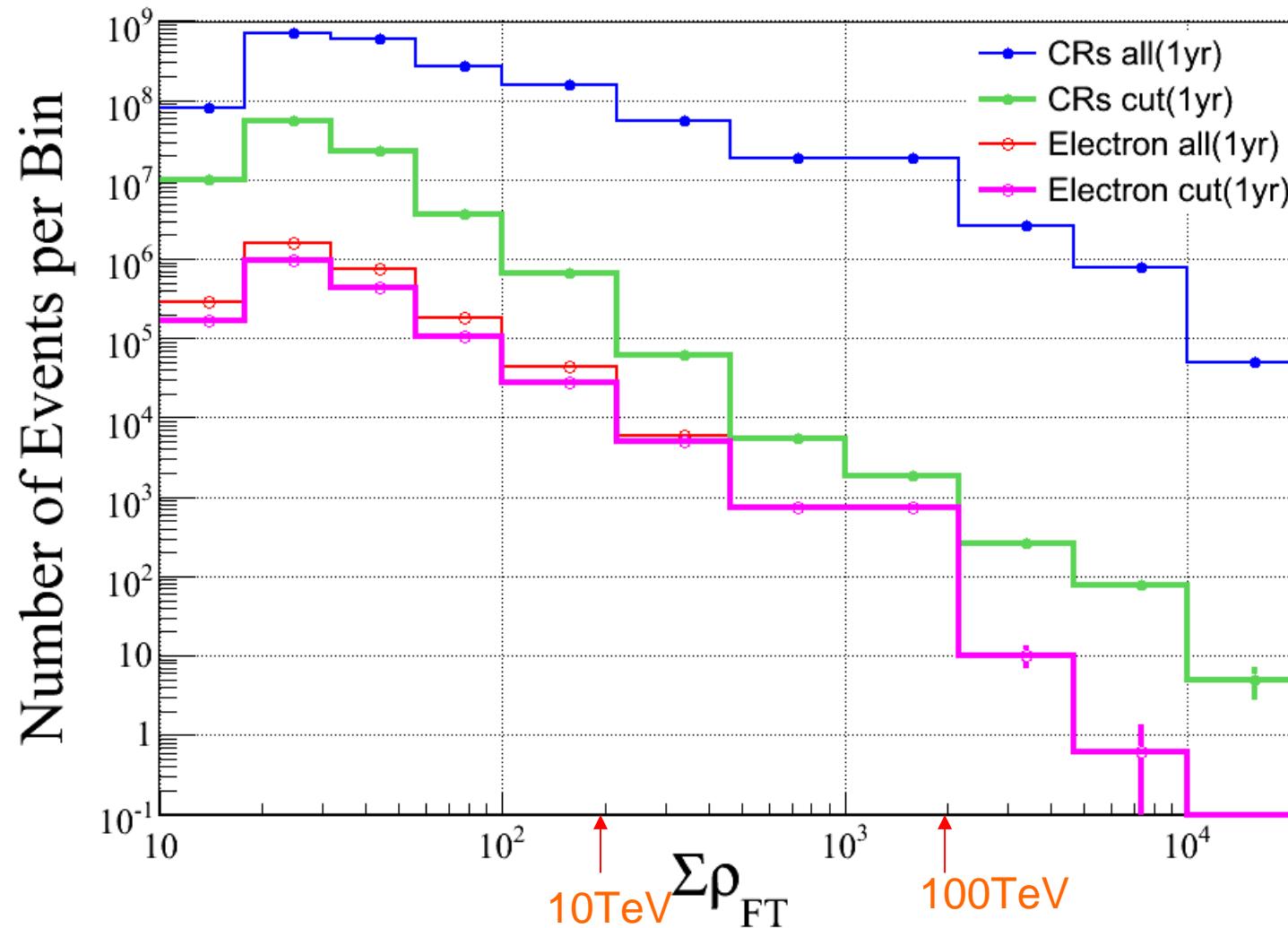
# Crab, full scale

$E_{\text{CR}}$ : 4.0 5.0 7.0 11.1 19 39 80 184 348 900 TeV

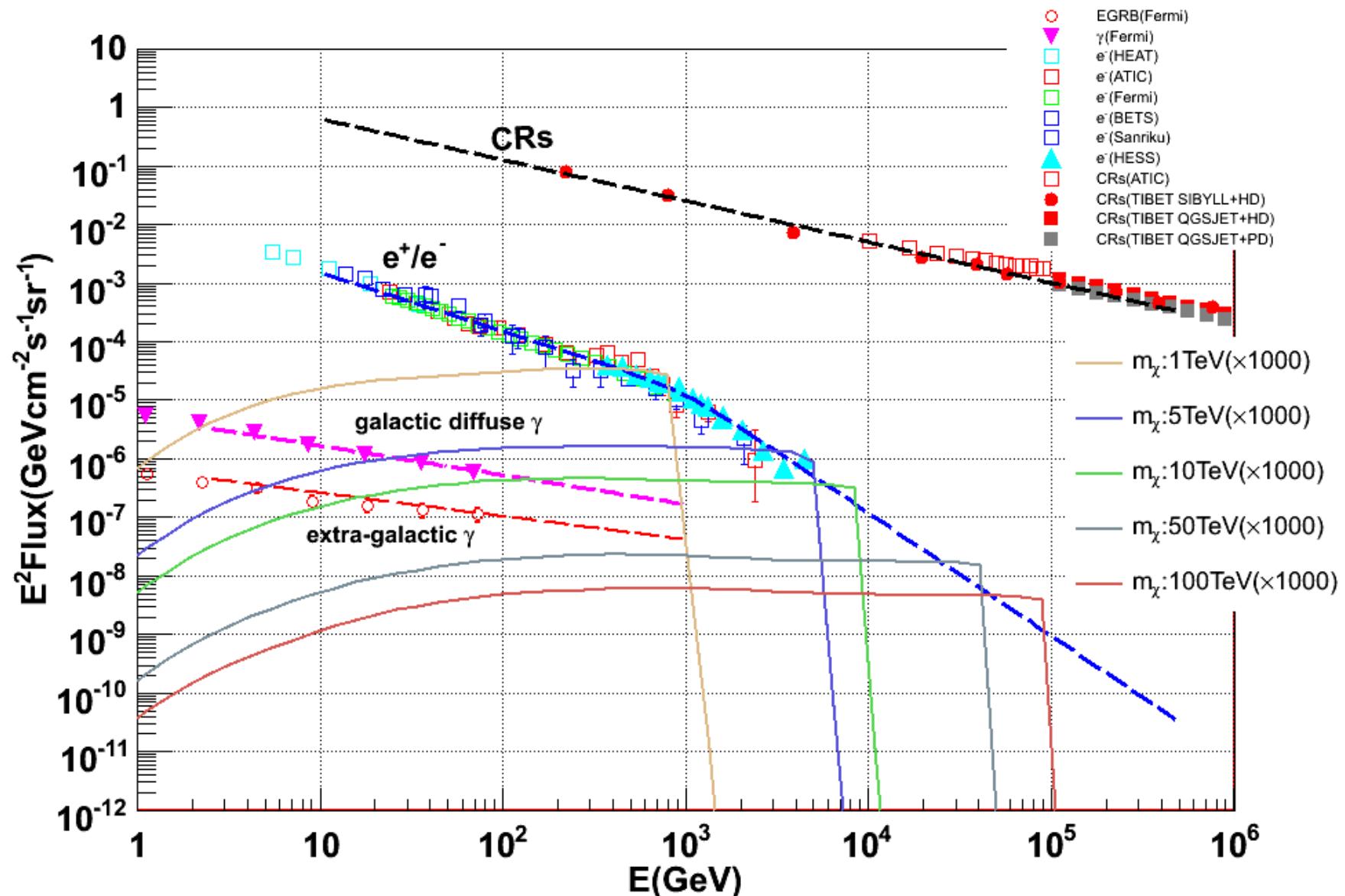
$E_{\gamma}$ : 1.9 2.4 3.5 5.6 9.8 20 39 89 210 550 TeV



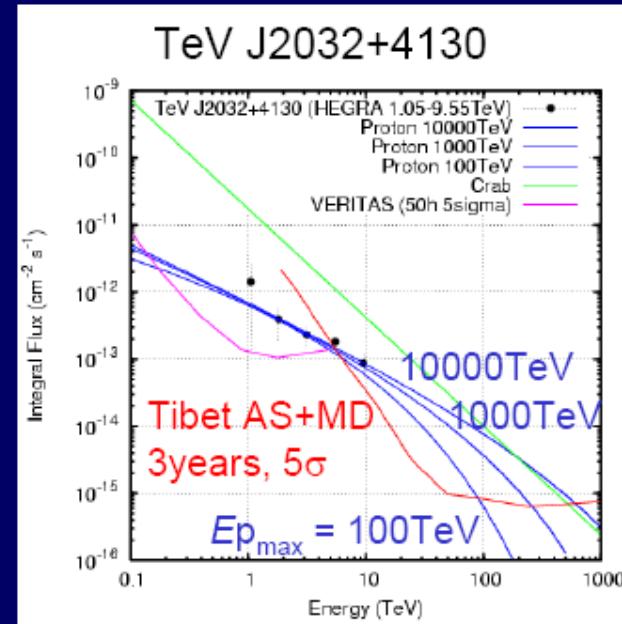
# Electron, 1yr operation



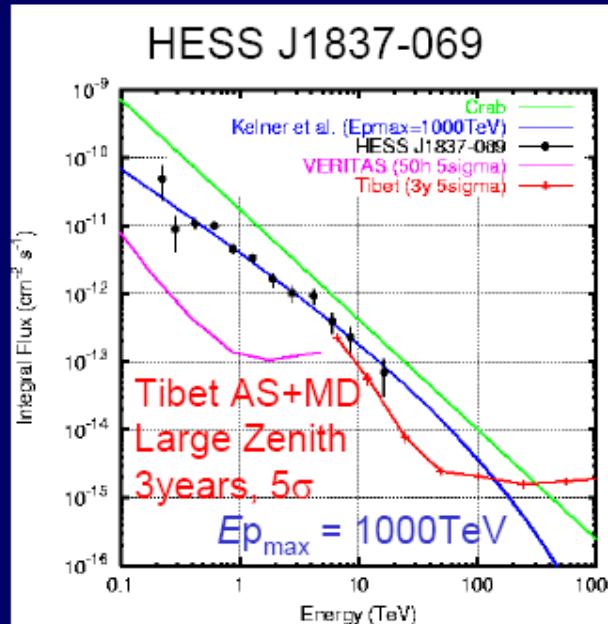
# Signal and background of electron



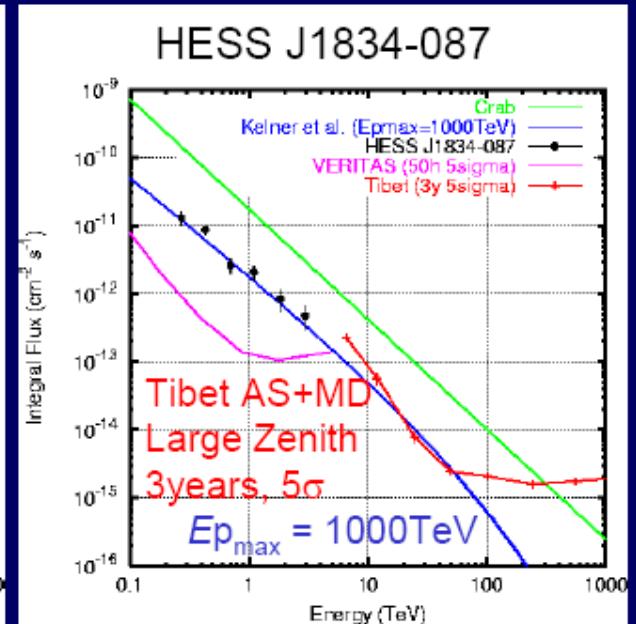
# Known Galactic Sources in the Northern Sky



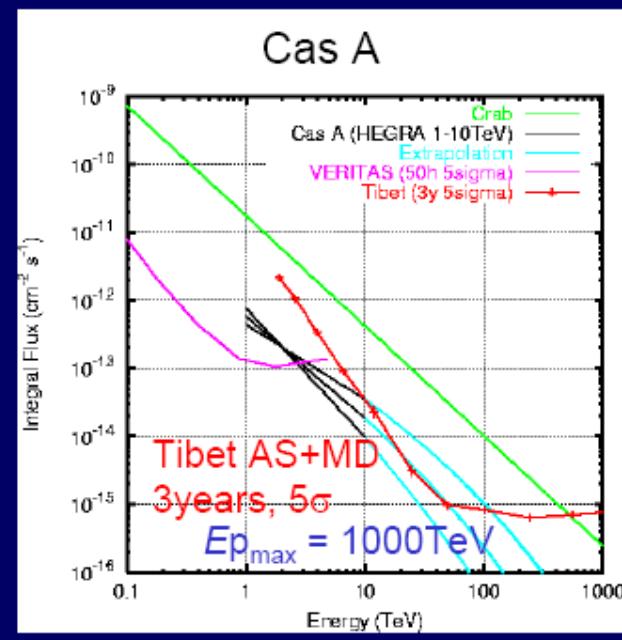
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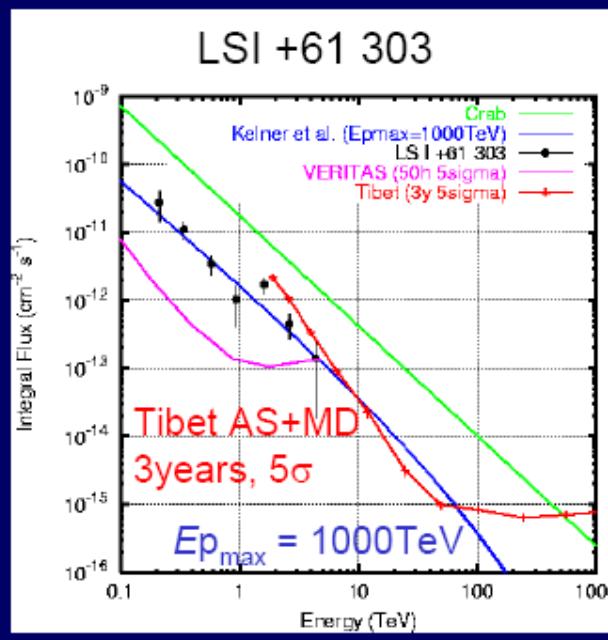
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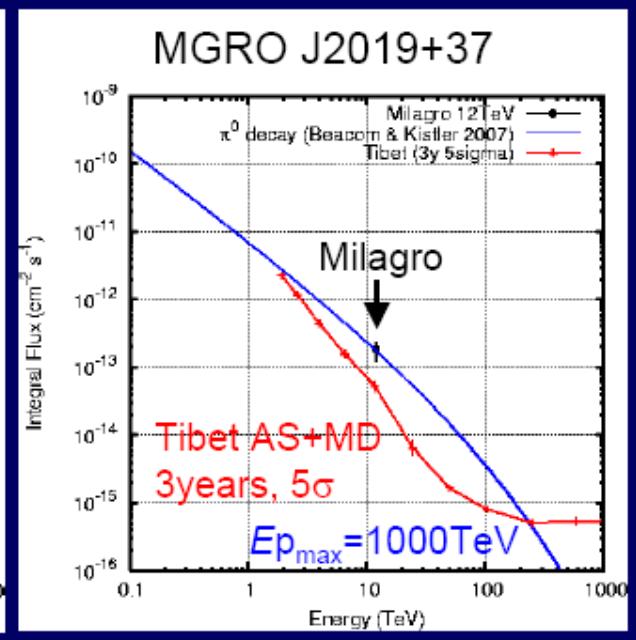
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Aharonian et al, A&A, 370, 112 (2001)



Albert et al, Science, 312, 1771 (2006)



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## Exposure map for the Tibet-III array

