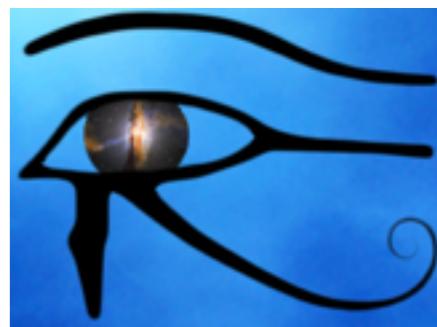




# H.E.S.S. multi-messenger and real-time follow-up observations





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# The H.E.S.S. experiment



## H.E.S.S. phase I

- four 12m telescopes
- FoV 5deg
- energy threshold ~100GeV
- angular resolution <0.1deg

## H.E.S.S. phase II

- four 12m telescopes
- one 28m telescope (FoV 3.5deg)
- energy threshold ~30GeV
- angular resolution from 0.4 to less than 0.1deg

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H.E.S.S. phase I

H.E.S.S. phase II

# The H.E.S.S. multi-messenger program

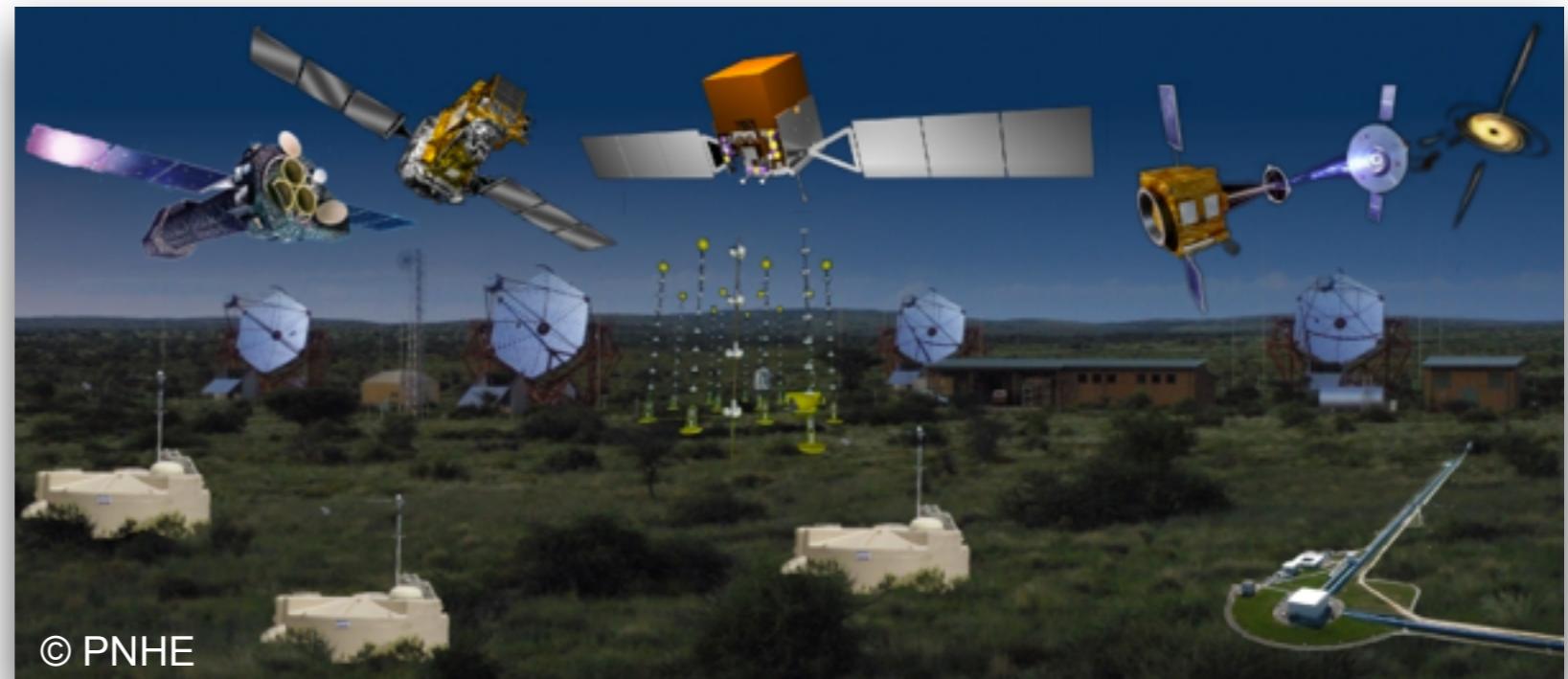
## ■ Gravitational waves

- major breakthrough in 2015 thanks to Advanced Virgo/Ligo
- H.E.S.S. member of the Virgo/Ligo EM follow-up effort since early 2014
- follow-up difficult due to large localization uncertainties
  - important input from additional EM detection, galaxy catalogs, etc.
  - benefit from large FoV

## ■ Neutrinos

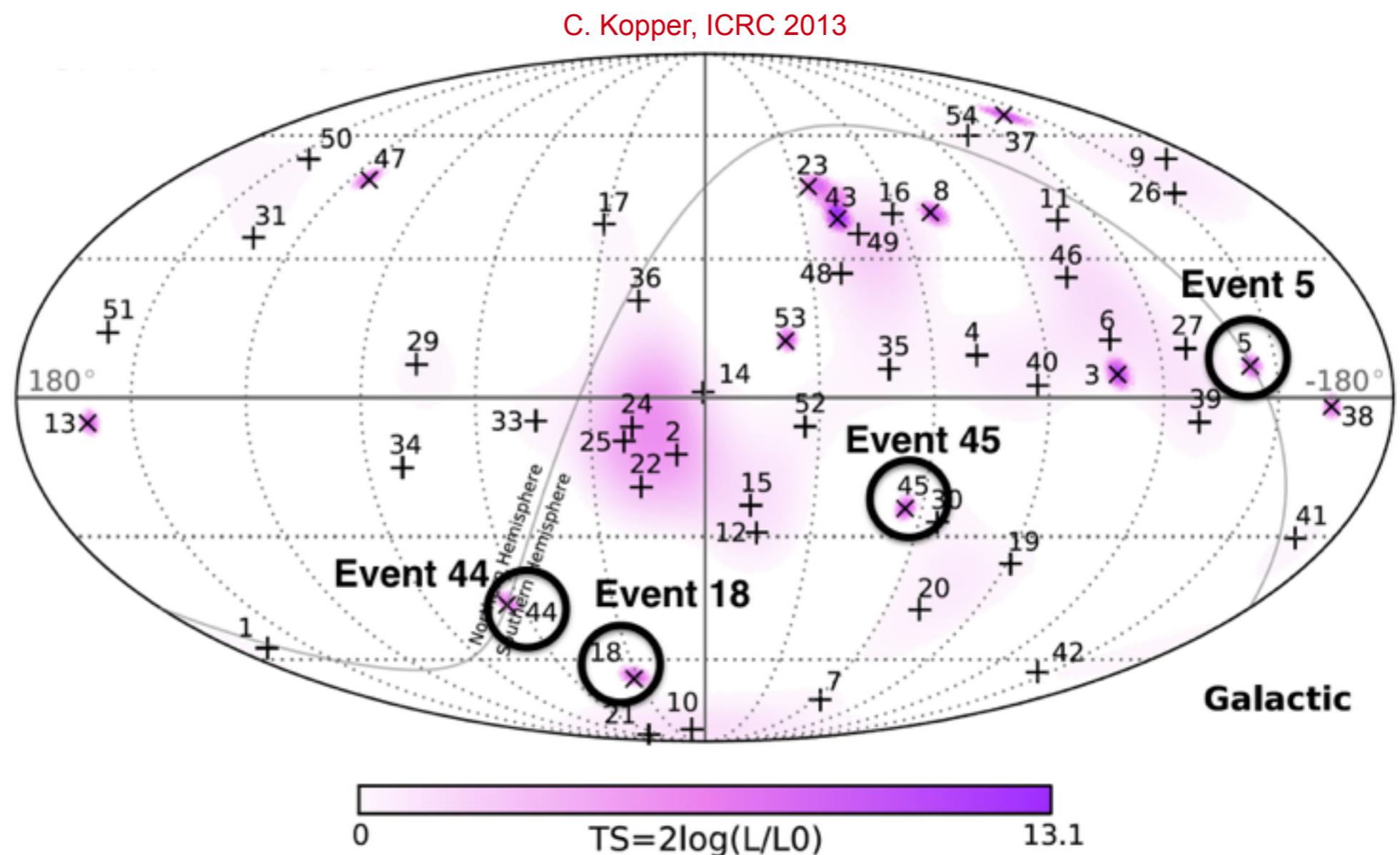
- ROIs
  - neutrino hotspots
  - IceCube HESE events
- ToOs

Gamma-Ray Bursts  
Fast Radio Bursts



# Multi-messenger program: IceCube HESE tracks

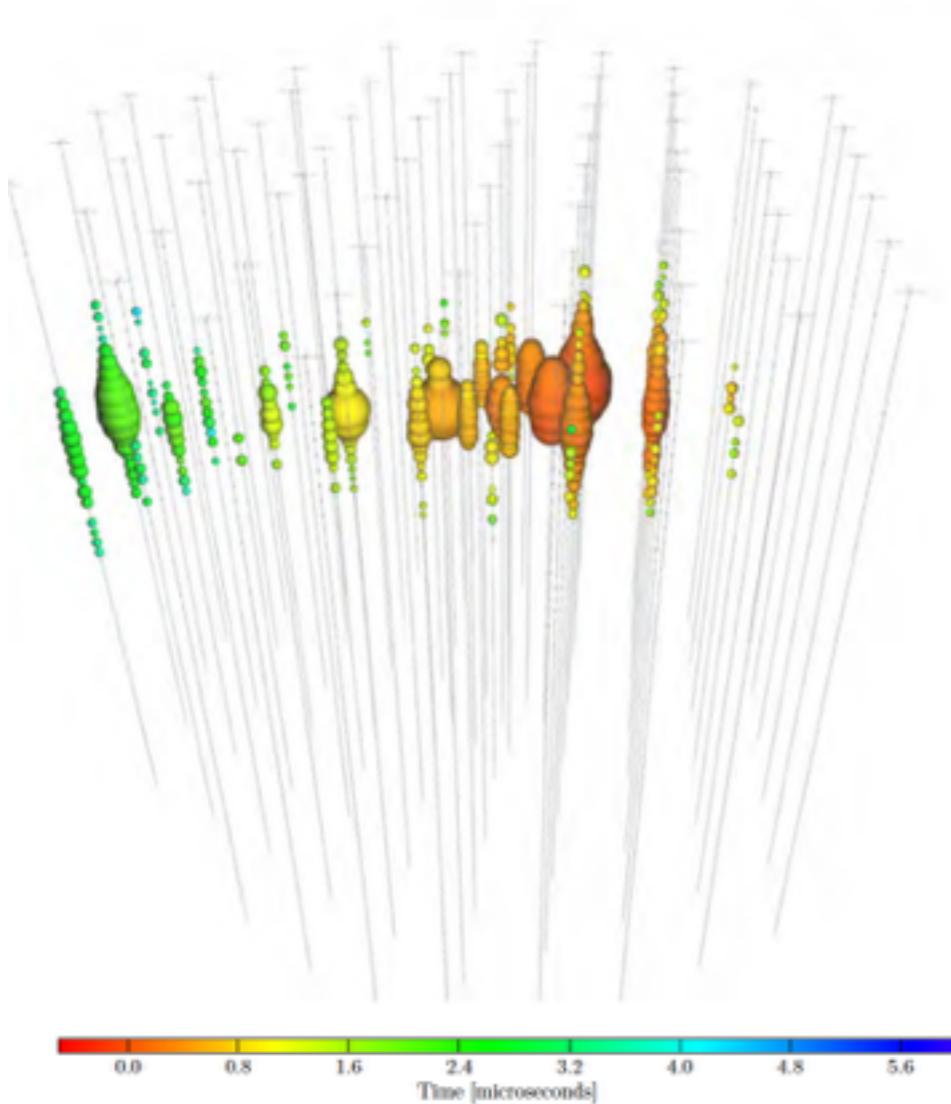
- H.E.S.S. observations of IceCube High Energy Starting Events
  - track like events (angular uncertainty < FoV)
  - H.E.S.S. visibility + constrains by other observations
  - high energy, etc.



# IceCube events: examples

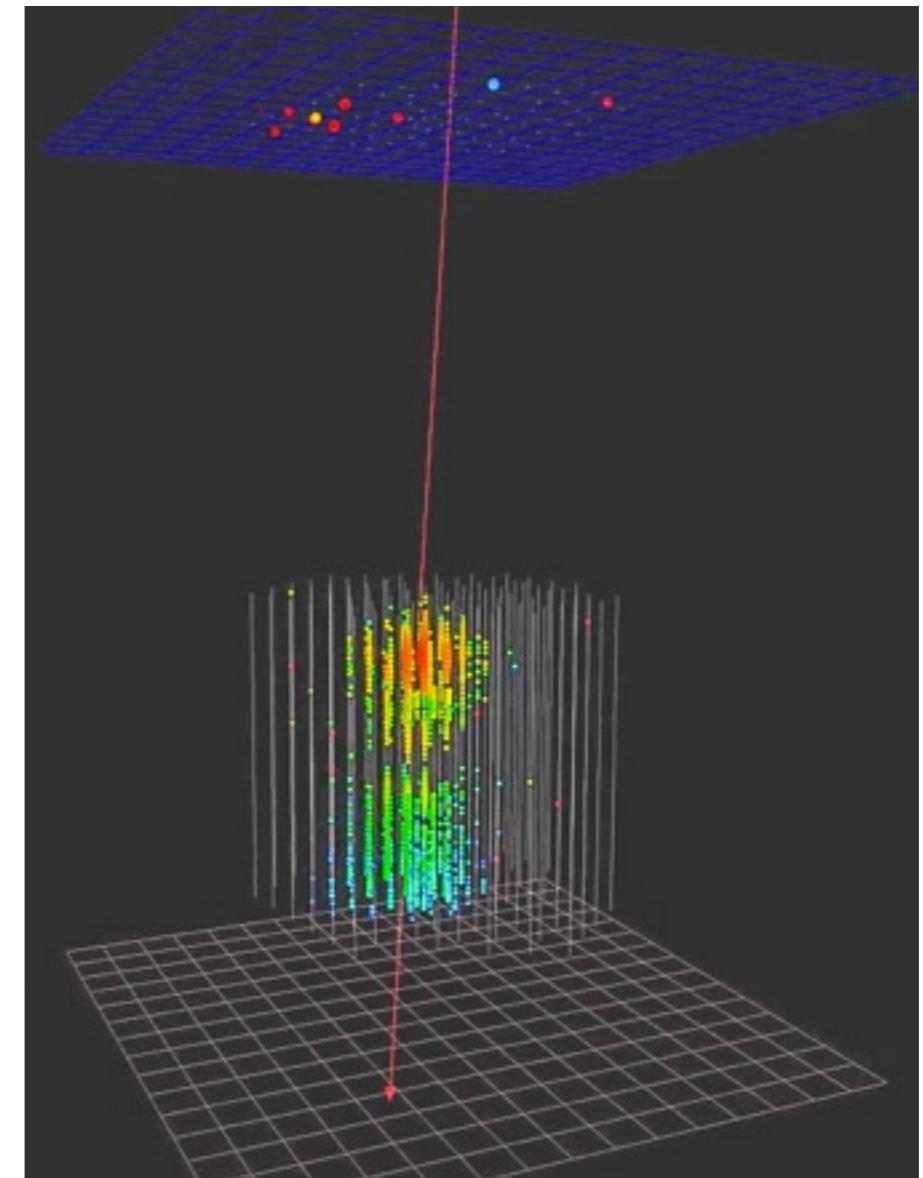
## IceCube Event 5

- deposited energy:  $71.4^{+9}_{-9}$  TeV
- Ra=110.6deg / Dec=-0.4deg



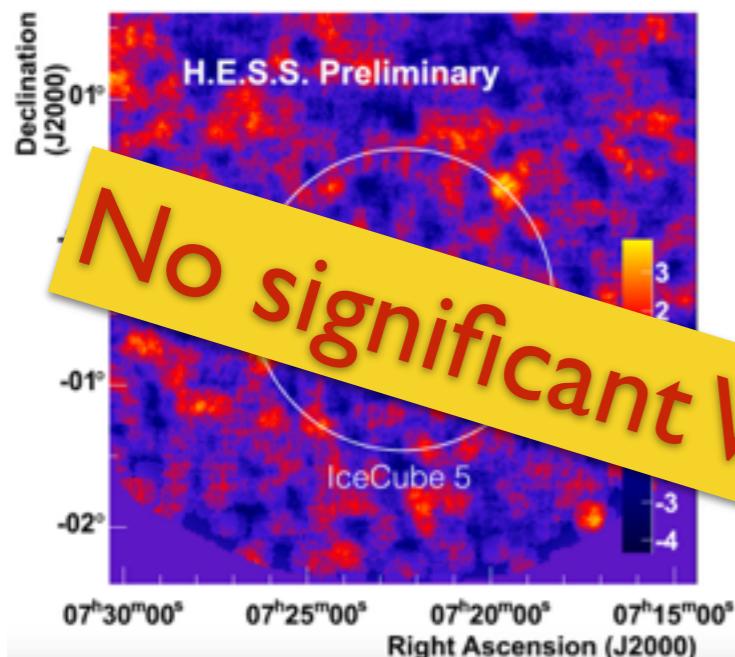
## IceCube Event 45

- deposited energy:  $429.9^{+57.4}_{-49.1}$  TeV
- Ra=219deg / Dec=-86.3deg

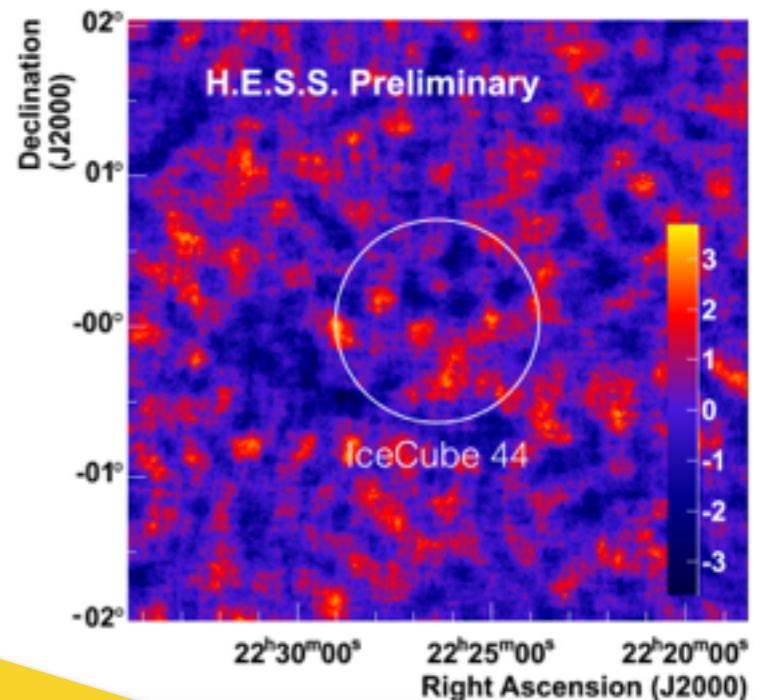


# IceCube HESE tracks: H.E.S.S.

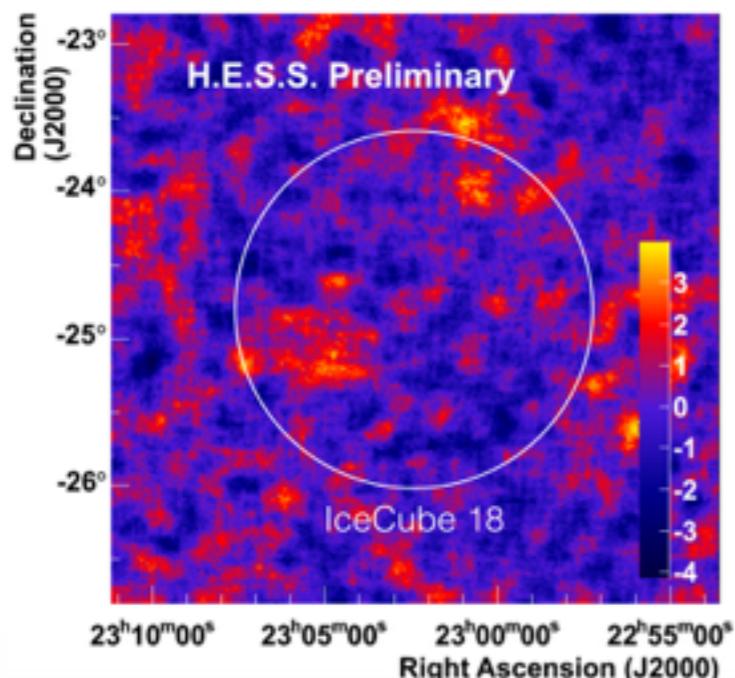
- IceCube 5



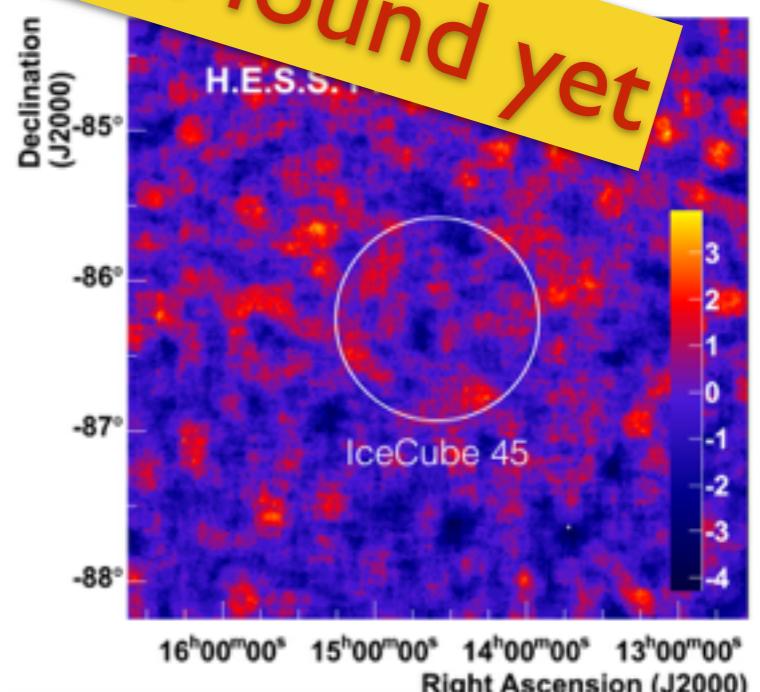
- IceCube 44



- IceCube 18



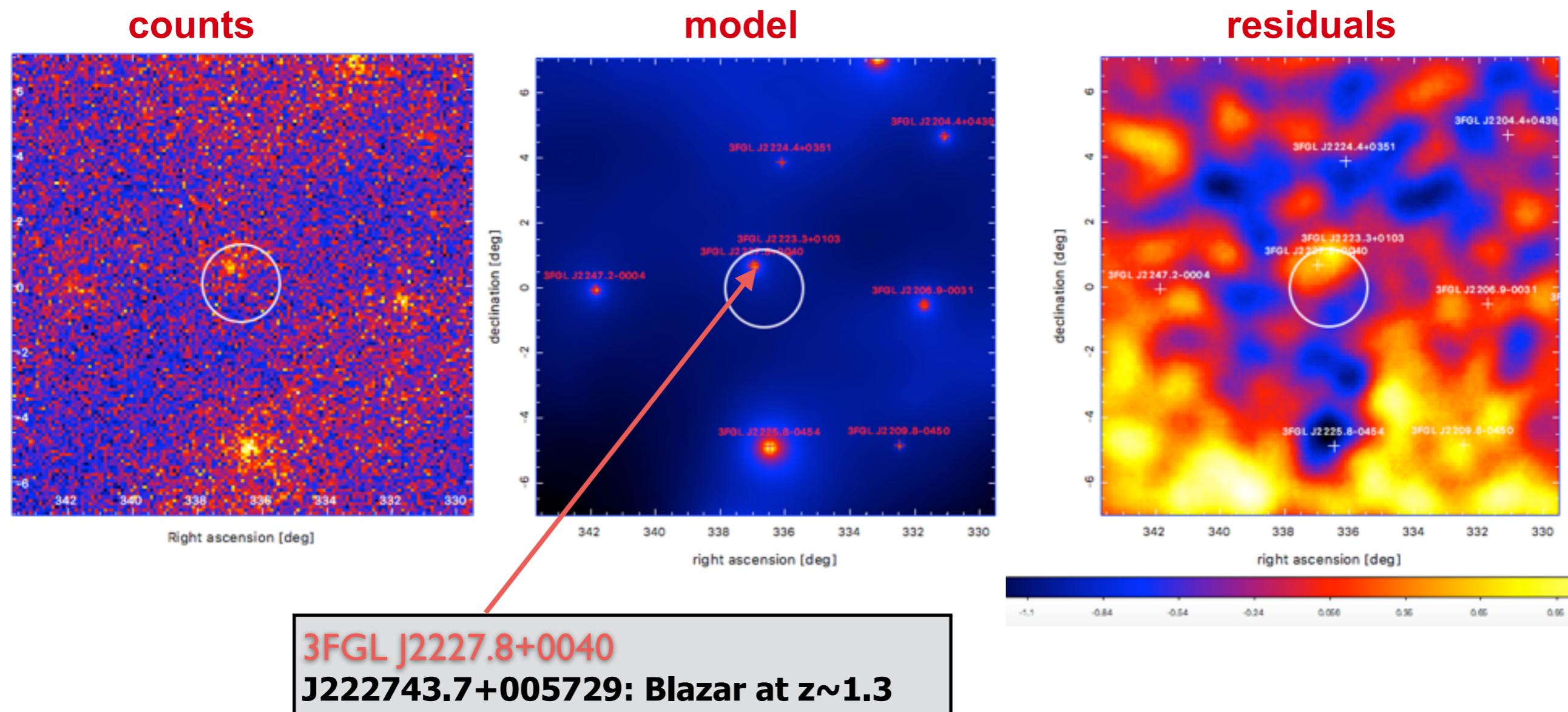
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# IceCube HESE tracks: Fermi-LAT

- Event 5 + 18: period 08/2008-05/2015; P7Rep, 100MeV-300GeV
- Event 44 + 45: period 08/2008-05/2016; Pass8, 100MeV-300GeV

Example: Event 44



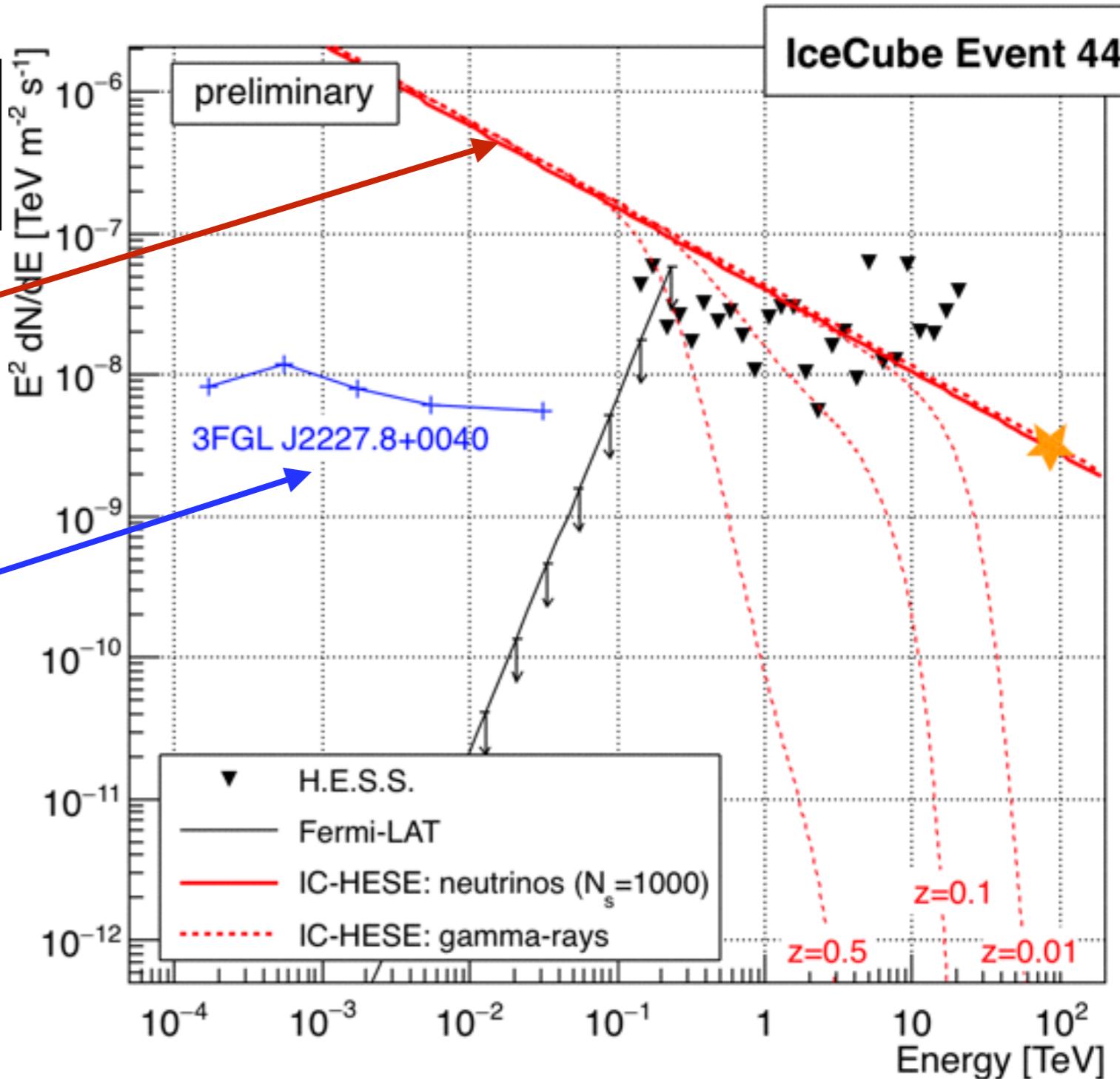
# IceCube HESE tracks: Limits

- Example: Event 44

H.E.S.S. + Fermi-LAT limits  
for point-source in the ROI center  
(acceptance smooth => representative for ROI)

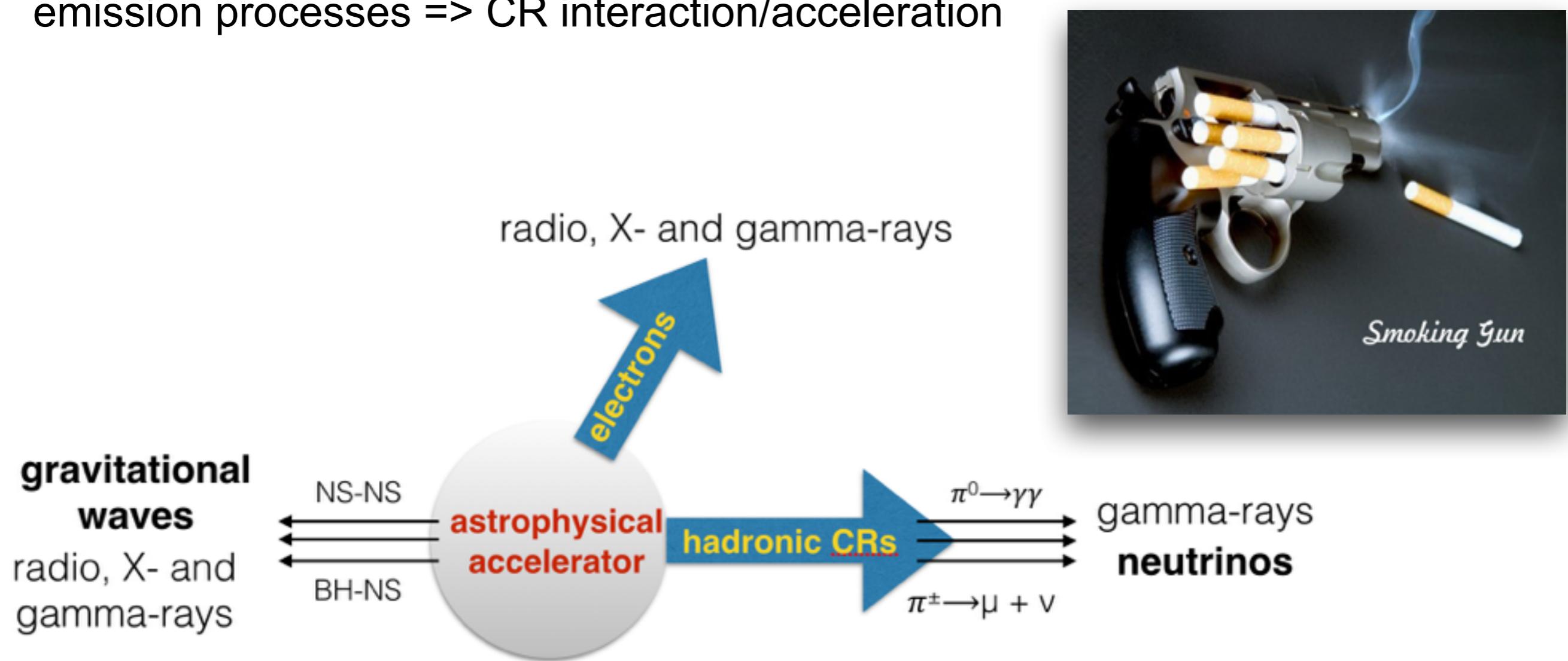
diffuse IceCube flux:  
 $\varphi(E) = 2.2 \times 10^{-8} E^{-2.58} \text{ GeV cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}$   
 assuming 1000 sources

3FGL "candidate" source  
within IceCube ROI



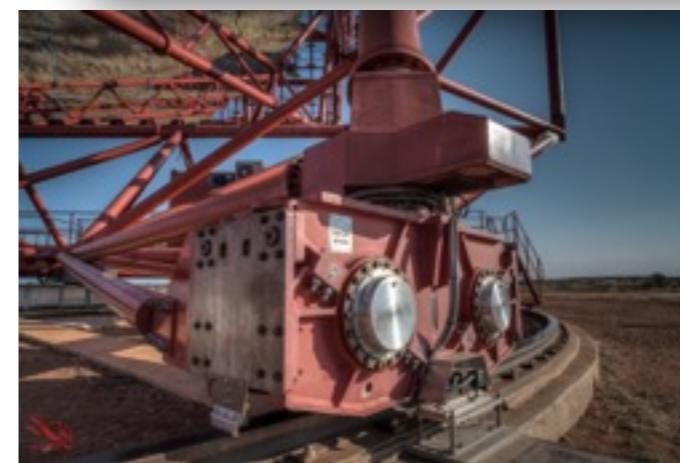
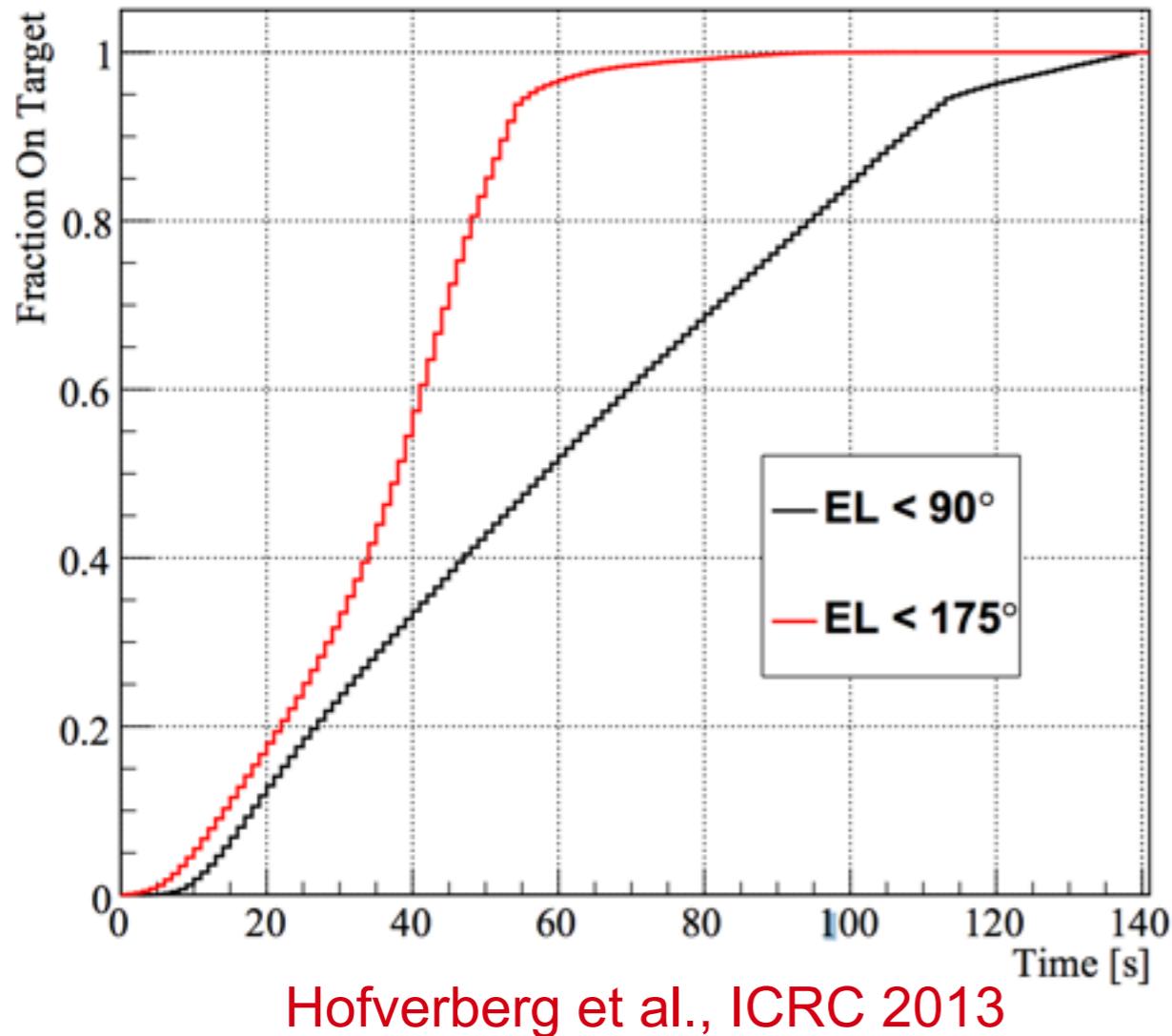
# Future of the H.E.S.S. Multi-messenger program: alerts and ToOs

- Interpretation of potential gamma-ray source within the neutrino error box difficult (has to rely on basic energetics and follow-up observations)
- **Space and time correlations** would provide "smoking gun" signal for joint emission processes => CR interaction/acceleration



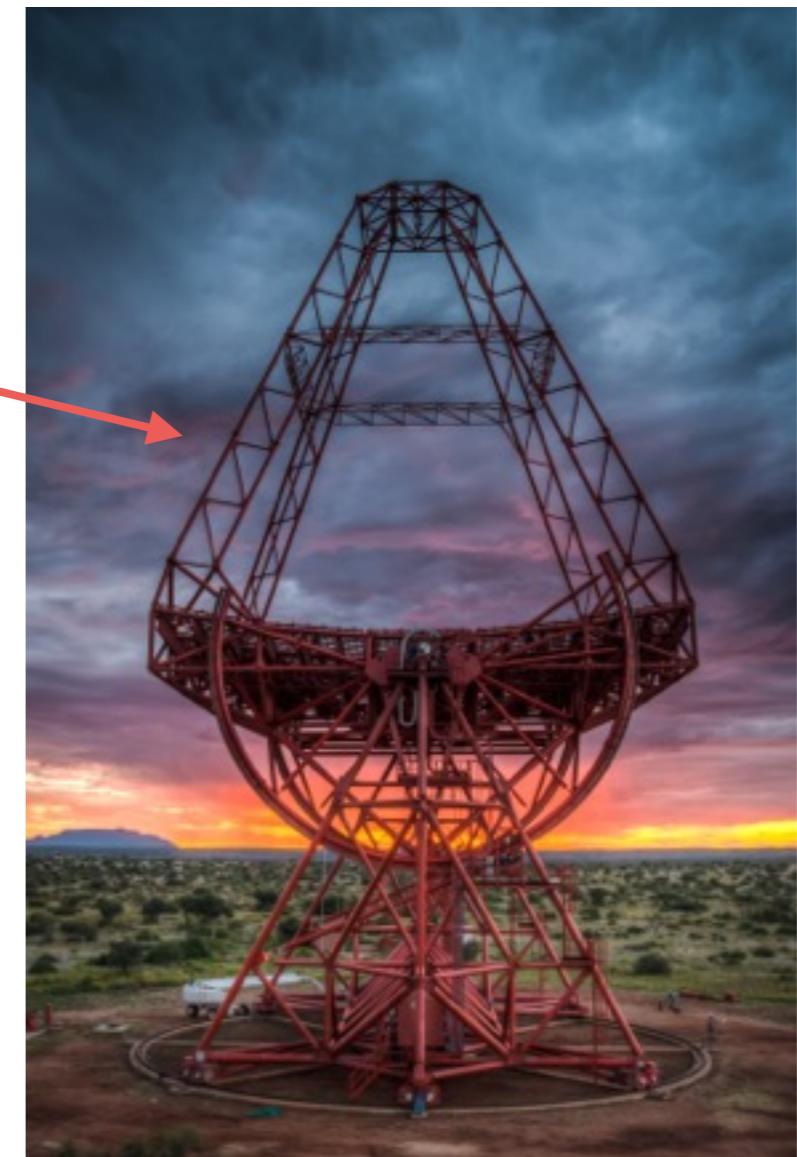
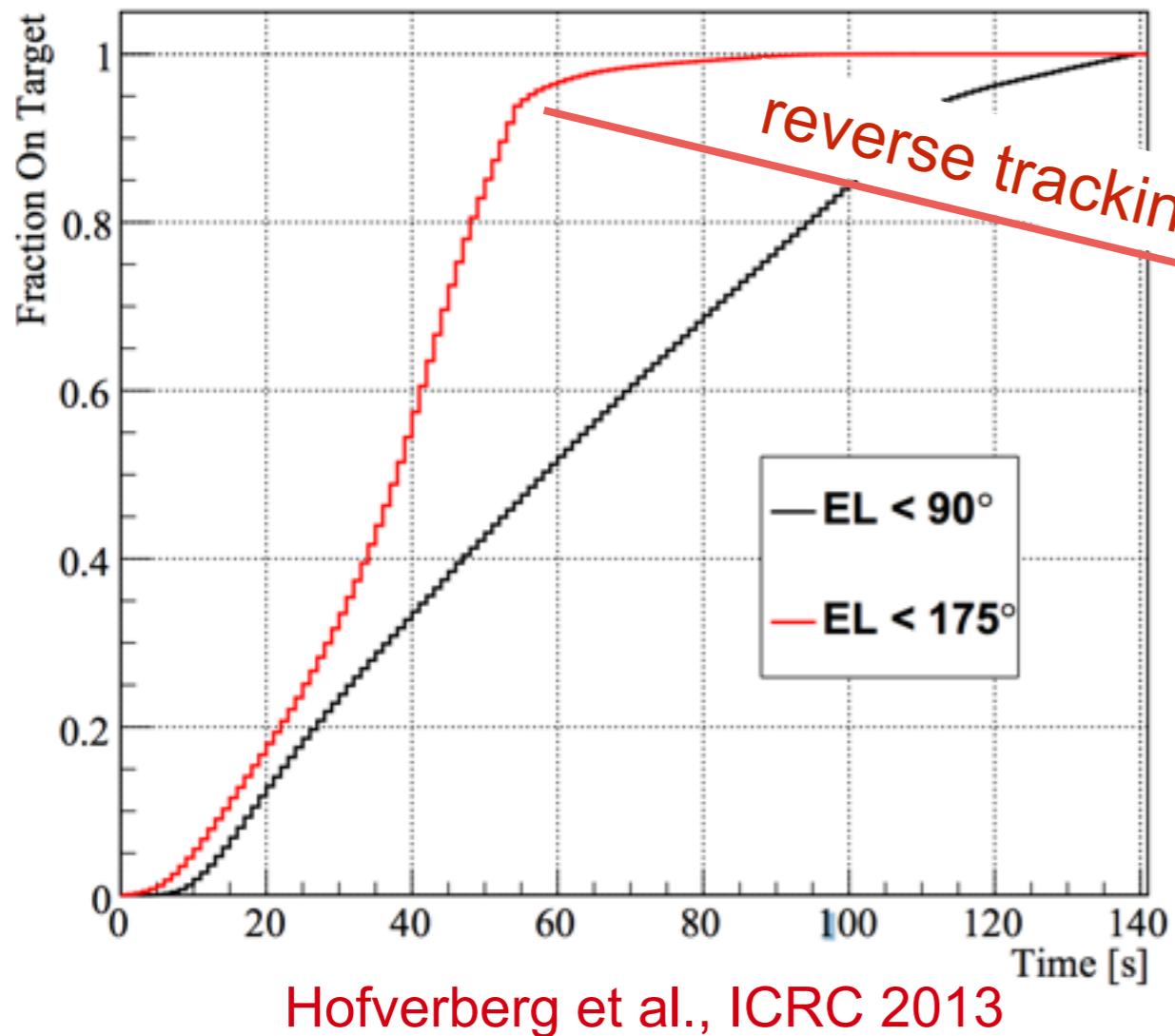
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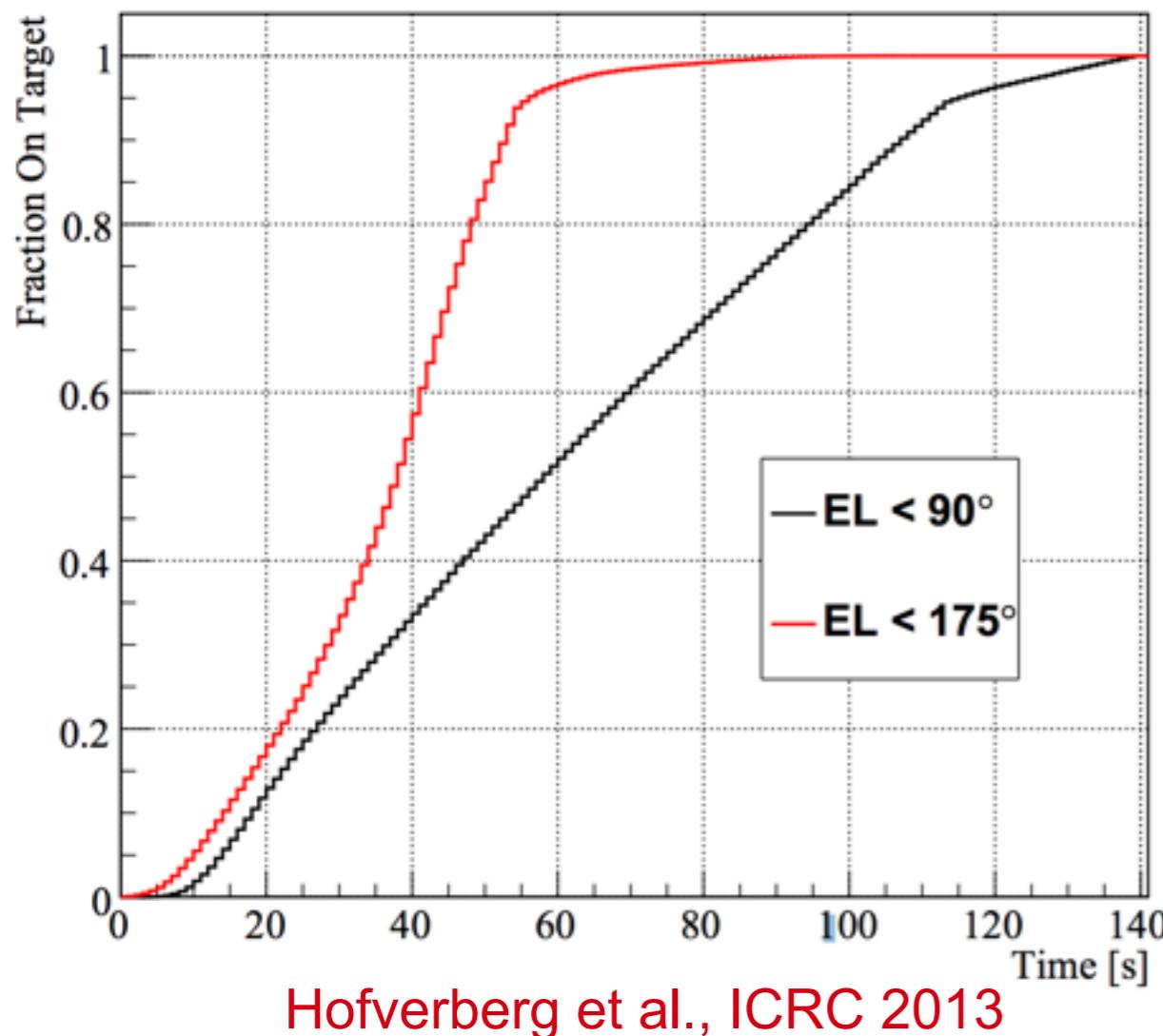
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- ToO+DAQ re-organization in 2014/2015
  - reaction time dominated by slewing: O(60s)

VoEvent alert system

# First H.E.S.S. reaction to Multi-messenger alerts and ToOs

- IceCube

- real-time alerts on HESE + EHE events
- expected delays O(10min)

Example: HESE-20160731

- ANTARES

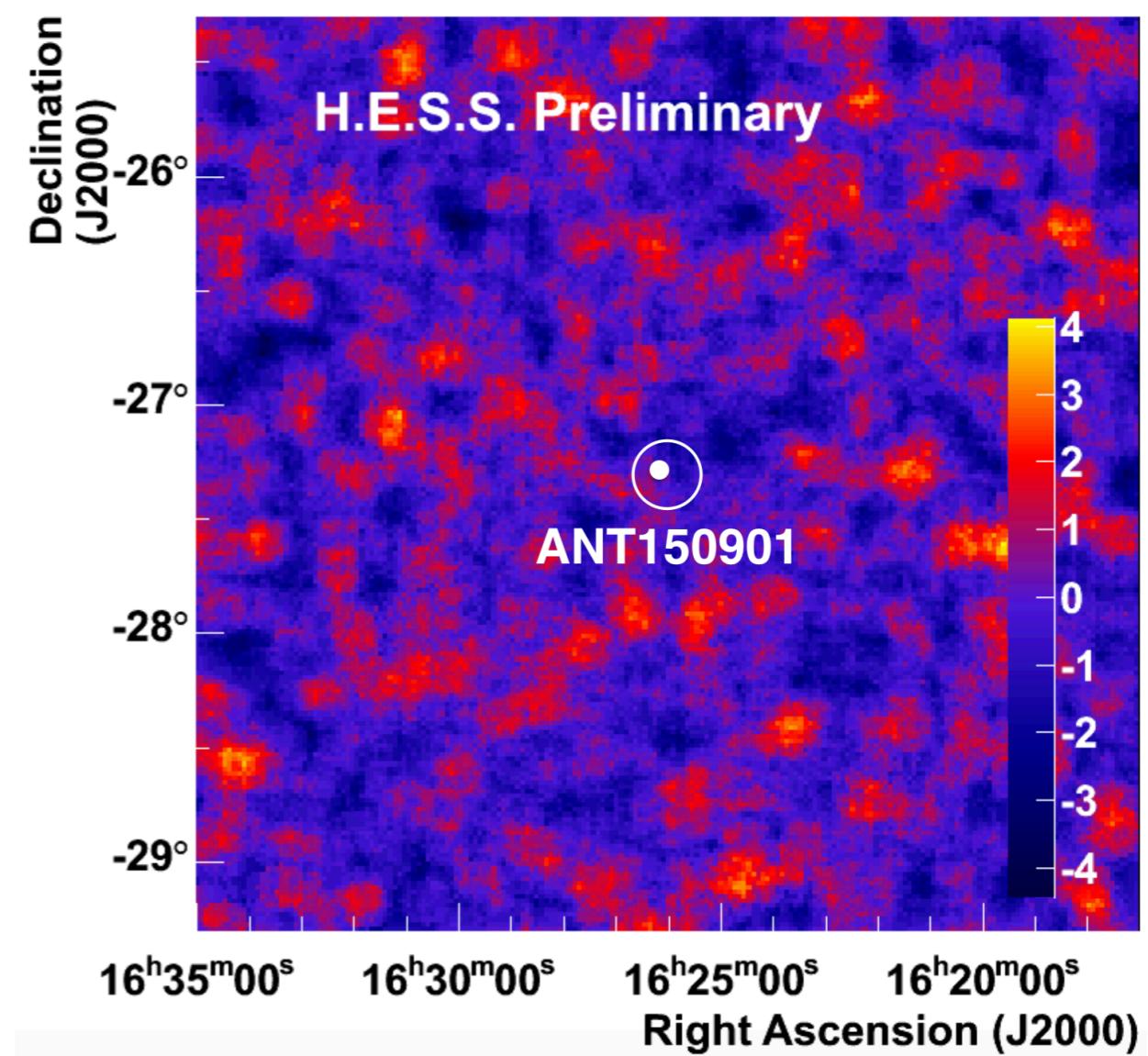
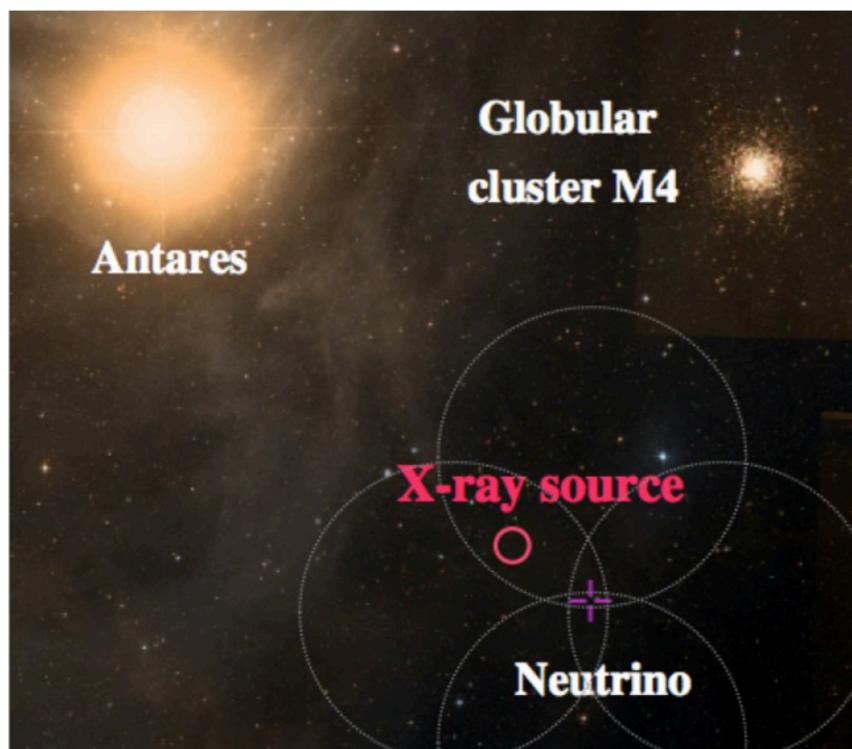
- online reconstruction and rapid alert emission: TAToO (Ageron et al., APP 35 (2012) 530)
- delays O(10s)

Example: ANT150901



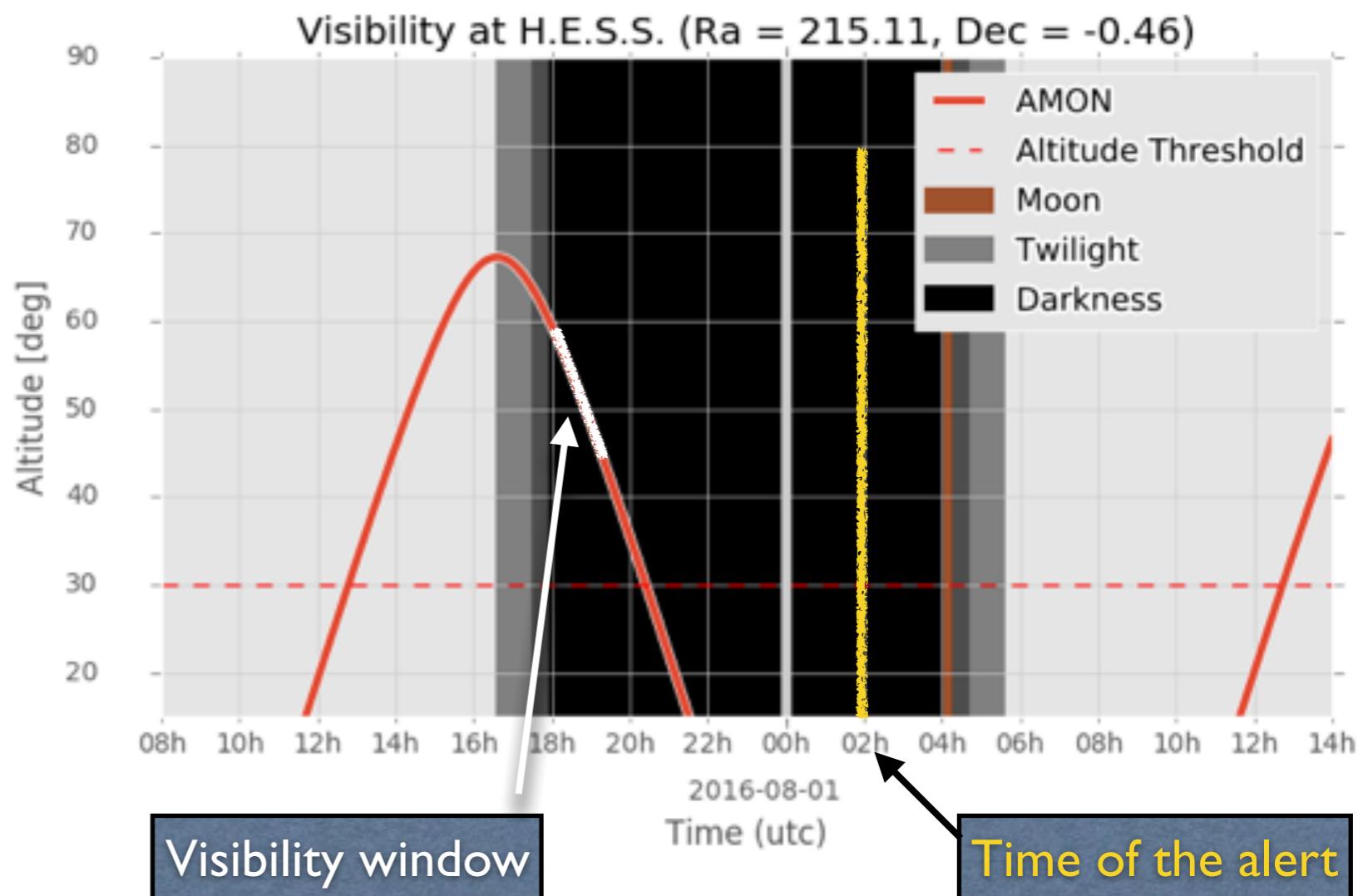
# Antares/Swift ATEL: ANT150901

- 2015-09-01: Antares/TAToO alert to optical telescopes and Swift
- 2015-09-03: Swift detection of unknown, bright, variable X-ray source (ATEL 7987)
- 2015-09-03: H.E.S.S. follow-up
  - 1.5h of observations
  - $\Phi(E>320\text{GeV}, 99\%\text{CL}) < 2.4 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



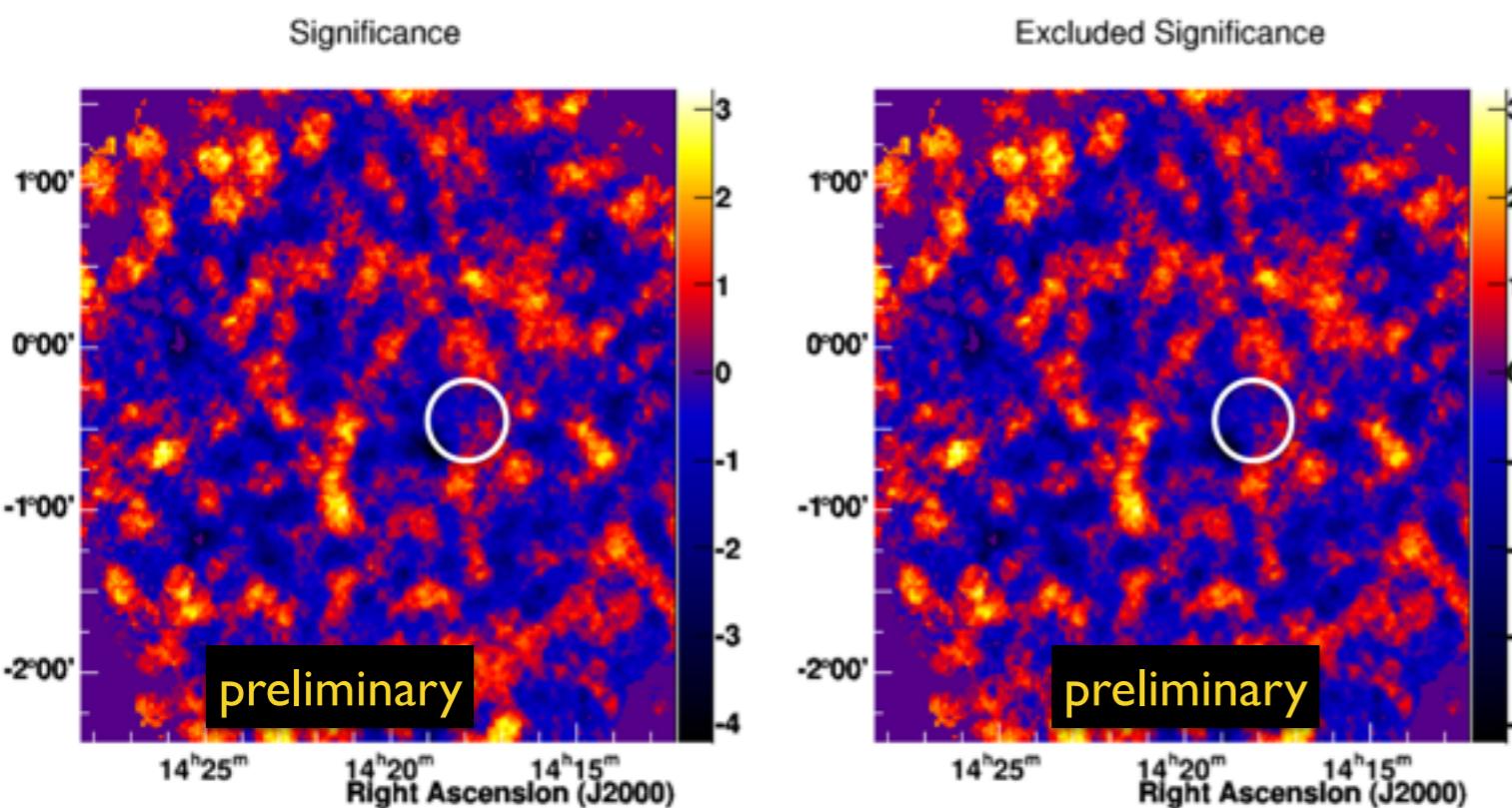
# IC-EHE/HESE-21060731

- 2016-07-31 (1:55 UT): IceCube/AMON alert on a EHE/HESE event
  - not visible at the time of the alert
- 2016-08-01 + 2016-08-02: visible for ~1h above 45deg elevation



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- OnSite analysis
  - no significant emission detected
  - 2016-08-02: [ATEL #9301](#)



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**H.E.S.S. follow-up of IceCube-160731A**

ATel #9301; [Mathieu de Naurois for the H. E. S. S. collaboration](#) on 2 Aug 2016; 15:57 UT  
Credential Certification: Fabian Schüssler ([fabian.schuessler@cea.fr](mailto:fabian.schuessler@cea.fr))

Subjects: Gamma Ray, TeV, Neutrinos, Transient

Referred to by ATel #: [9303](#), [9313](#), [9315](#)

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The H.E.S.S. instrument was used to carry out follow-up observations of a high energy neutrino detected by IceCube on the 31st July 2016 at 01:55:04 UTC. The IceCube best fit position is Ra = 214.54, Dec = -0.33 with a radius of 0.75 deg at 90% confidence. The event was classified as Extremely-High-Energy (EHE) event suggesting a neutrino energy of more than 1 PeV. H.E.S.S. observed the region in two consecutive nights (2016-07-31/08-01 and 2016-08-01/02) for roughly 1 hour each. The observations were taken with the full array consisting of one 28m diameter telescope and four 12m diameter telescopes. A preliminary on-site calibration and analysis searching for a point-like gamma-ray source from within the 90% uncertainty region of IceCube-160731 revealed no significant emission. H.E.S.S. is an array of five imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescopes for the detection of very-high-energy gamma-ray sources and is located in the Khomas Highlands in Namibia. It was constructed and is operated by researchers from Armenia, Australia, Austria, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, Japan, Poland, South Africa, Sweden, UK, and the host country, Namibia.

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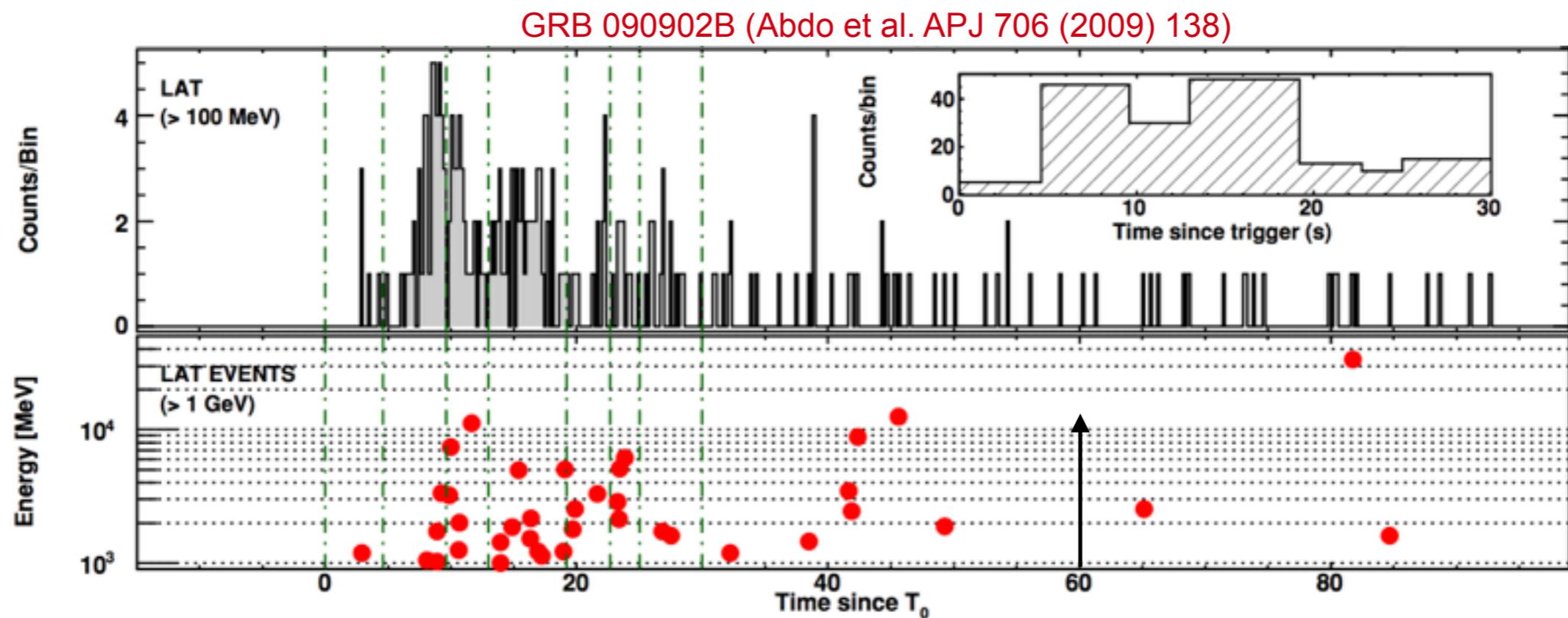
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- [9295 AGILE follow-up of the neutrino ICECUBE-160731 event](#)
- [9294 Swift follow up of IceCube-160731A](#)

# Other AMON/IceCube alerts with H.E.S.S. follow-up

- IC-HESE-20160427A
  - visible only after two days
  - 2h of observations available
  - analysis in progress
- IC-HESE-20161103A
  - observations started the same evening
  - cloudy night, observations stopped

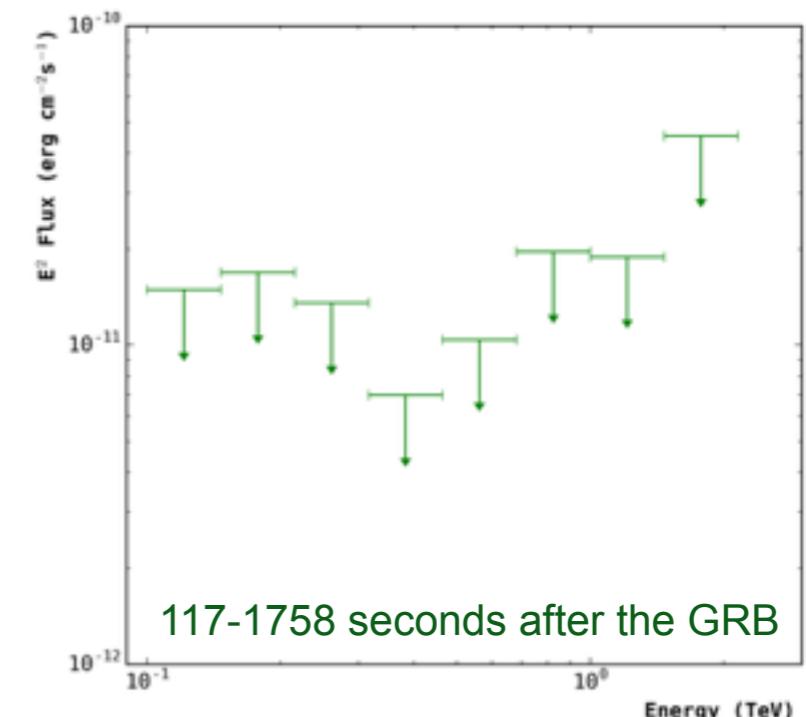
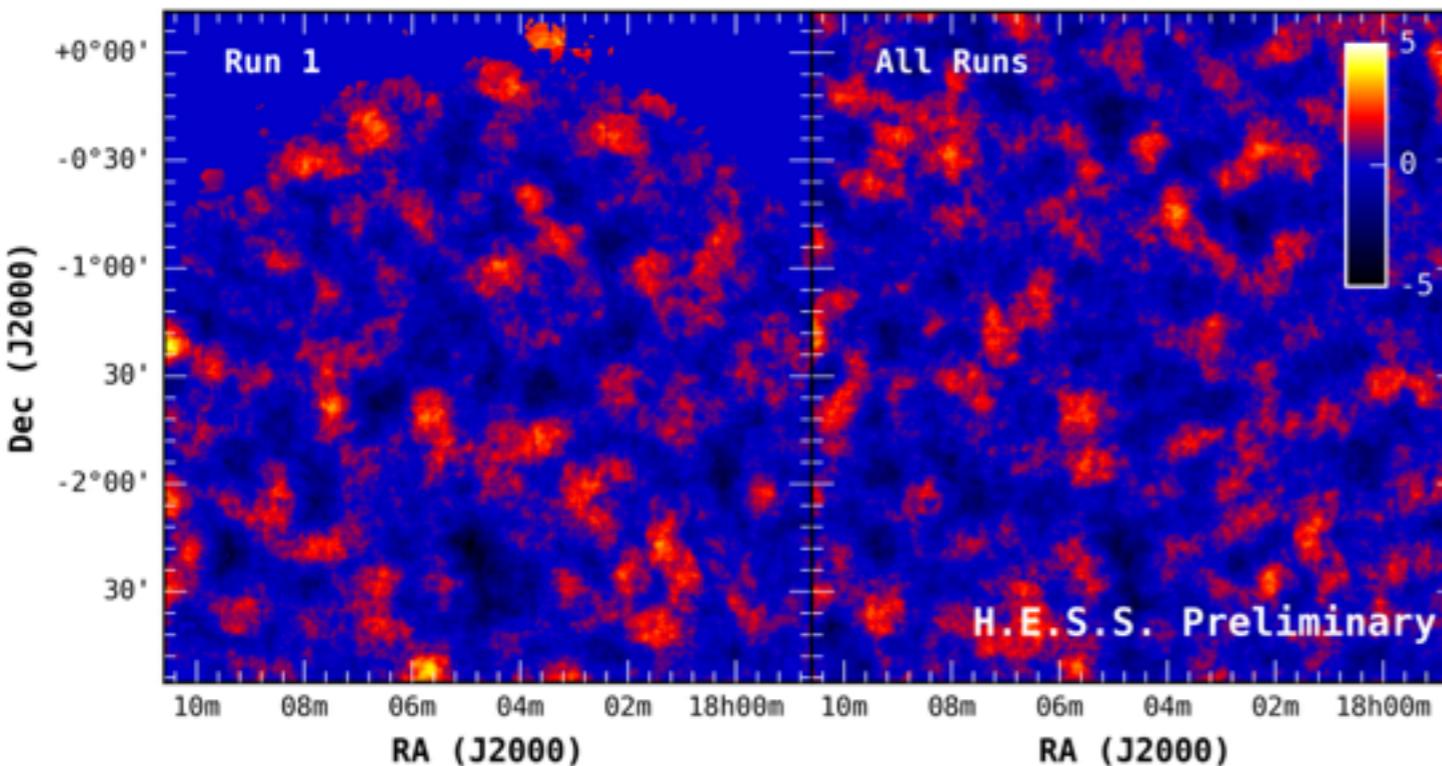
# GRB follow-up with H.E.S.S.

- extensive follow-up program during H.E.S.S. phase I (e.g. A&A 495, 505-512 (2009))
- follow-up speed significantly increased with H.E.S.S. II
  - rapid slewing speed
  - fully automatic repositioning after the reception of a GCN alert
  - dedicated operation mode (e.g. data taking starts as soon as source enters the FoV)
  - GRBs have highest ToO priority (following all accessible alerts)



# GRB follow-up: first results

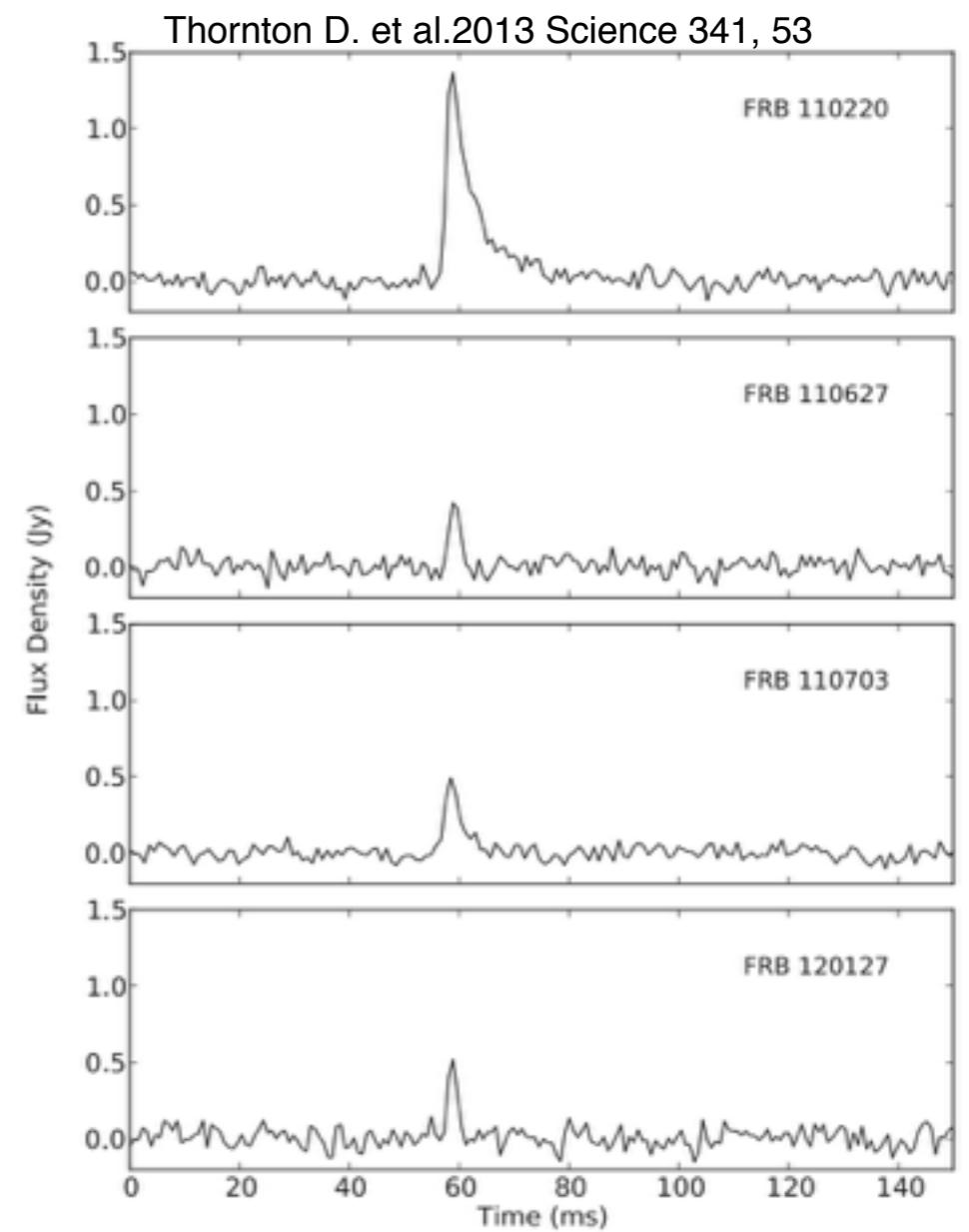
- strict data blinding procedure fixing reconstruction, cuts, analysis strategy, etc.
- GRB140818B
  - RA= +18h 04m 35s ; Dec=-01d 21' 40" (J2000)
  - T0: 18:44:16 UTC
- H.E.S.S. observations
  - starting 18:45:42 UT (<2min after the GRB)
  - *mono* analysis optimized for low energies



Run	Time since T0 [min]	Integral Flux ( $E > 100\text{GeV}$ ) [ $\text{m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ ]
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2	31-59	2.6e-11
3	60-88	5.1e-11
4	89-117	1.8e-11

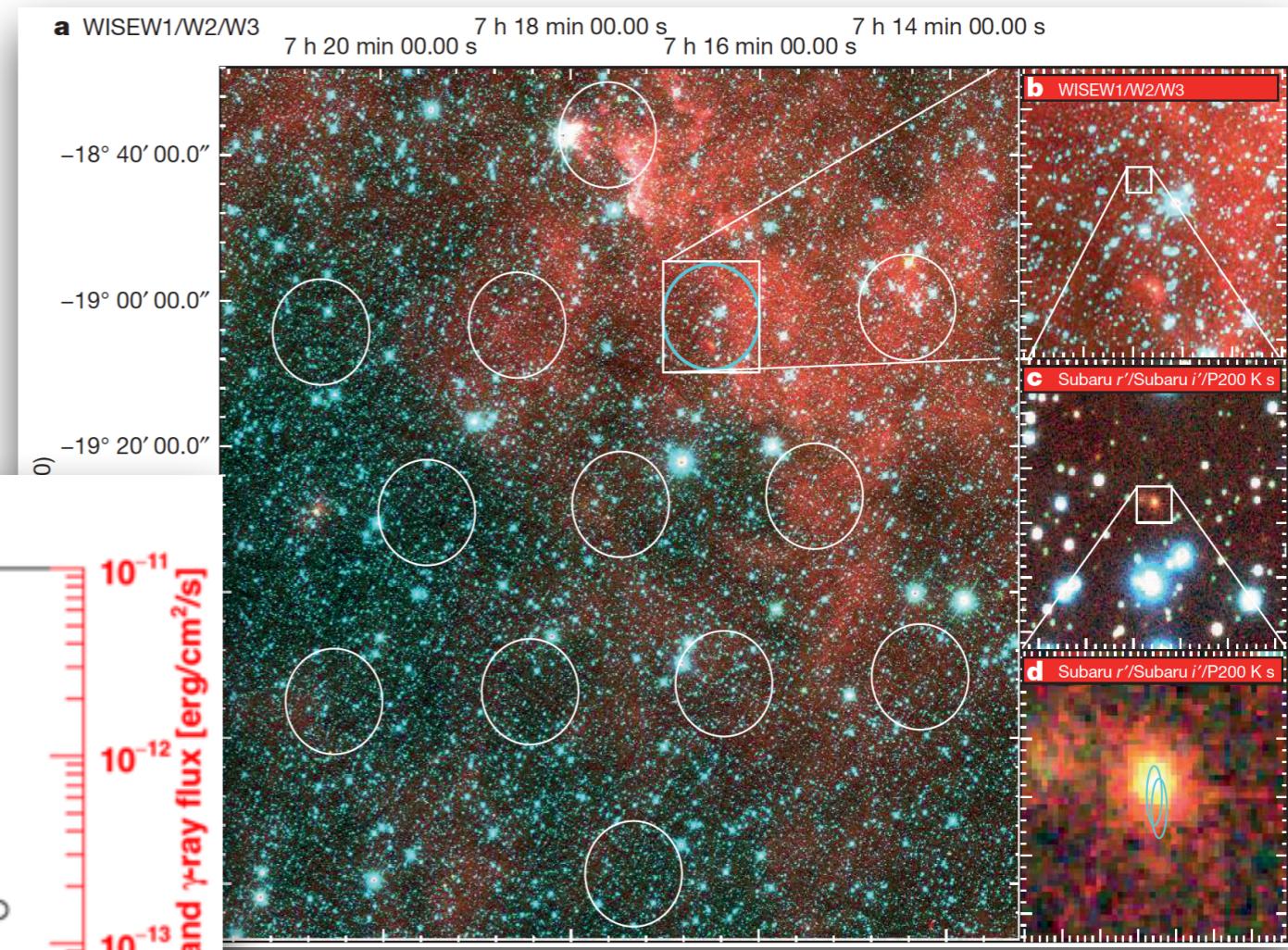
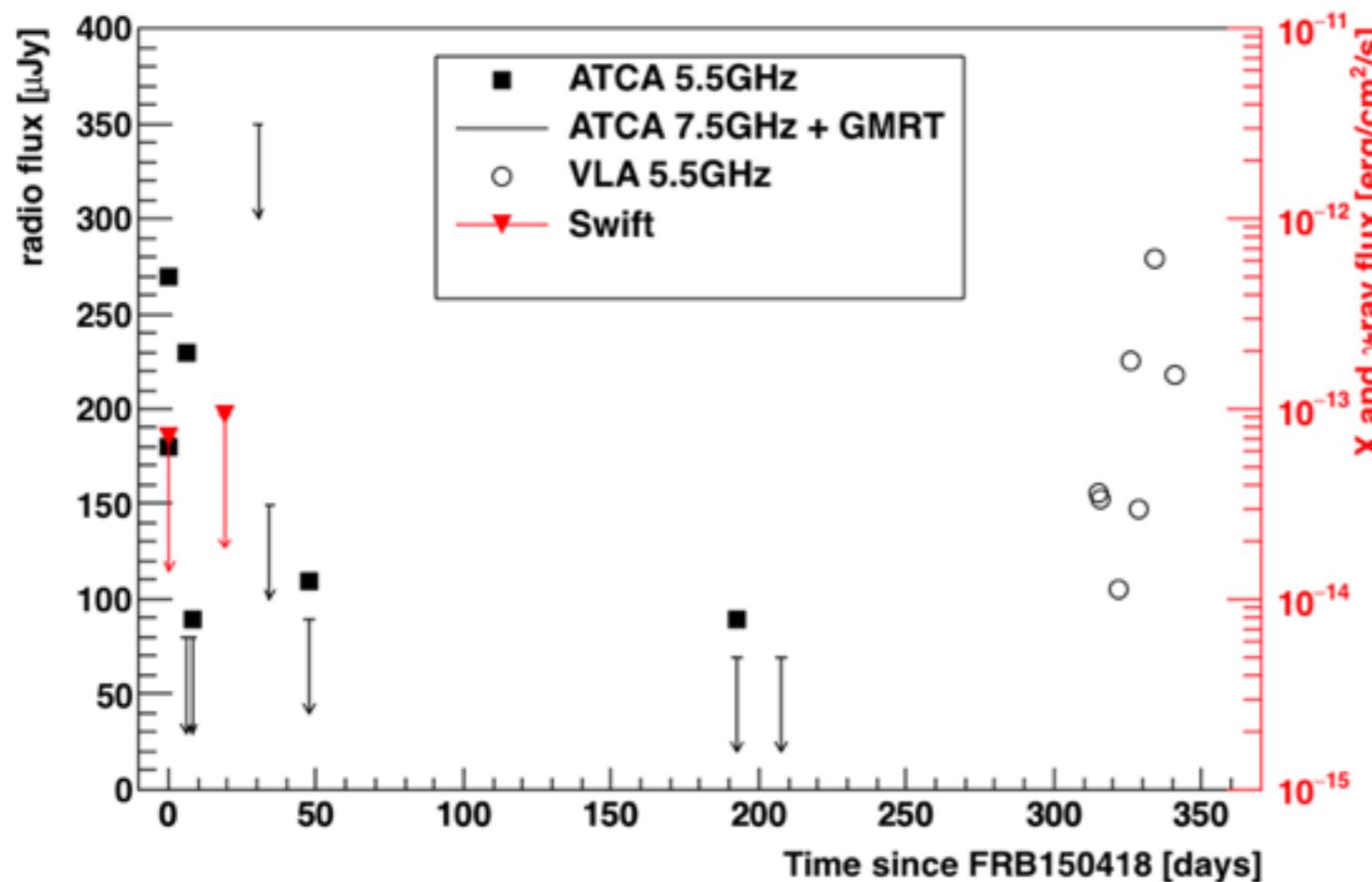
# Fast Radio Bursts

- strong, millisecond radio burst of possibly extragalactic origin
- H.E.S.S. takes part in the SUPERB project @ Parkes
  - online searches for FRBs and other radio transients



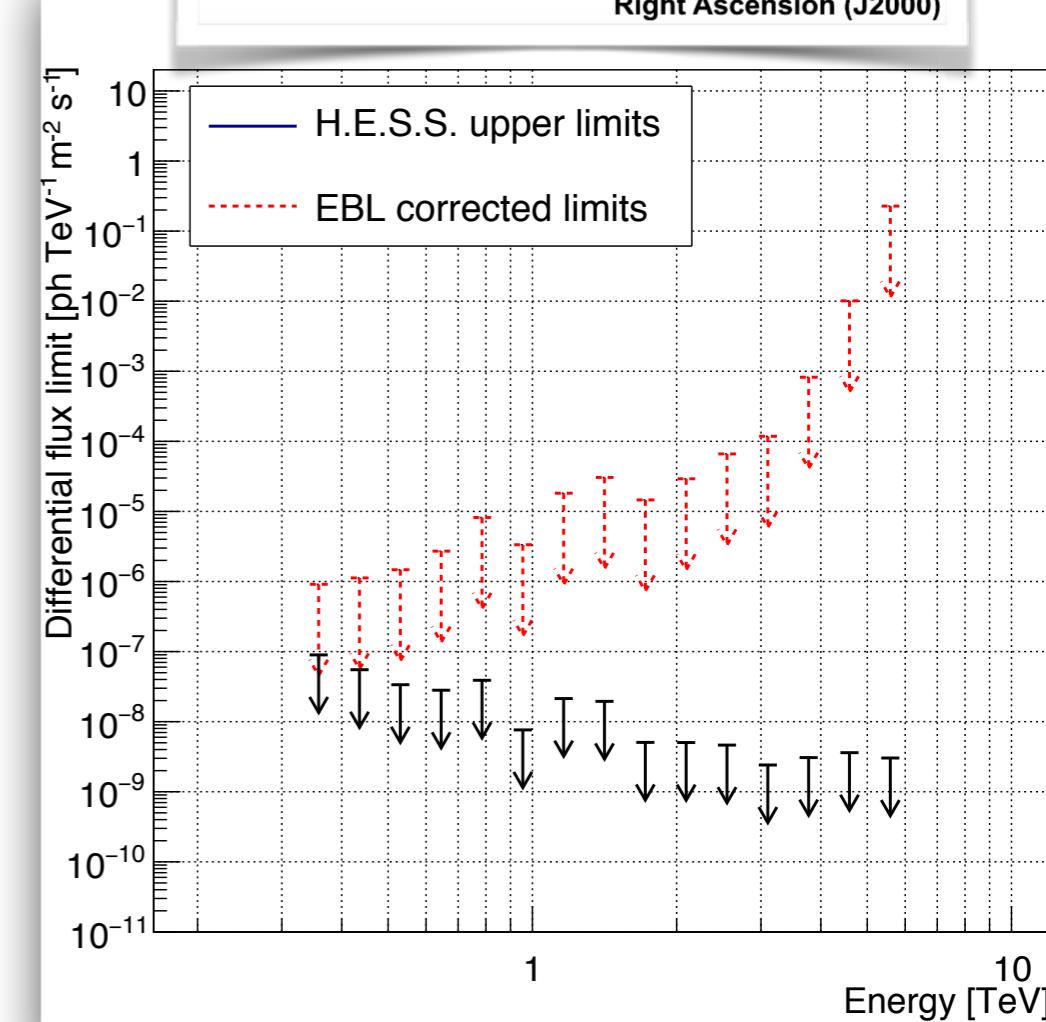
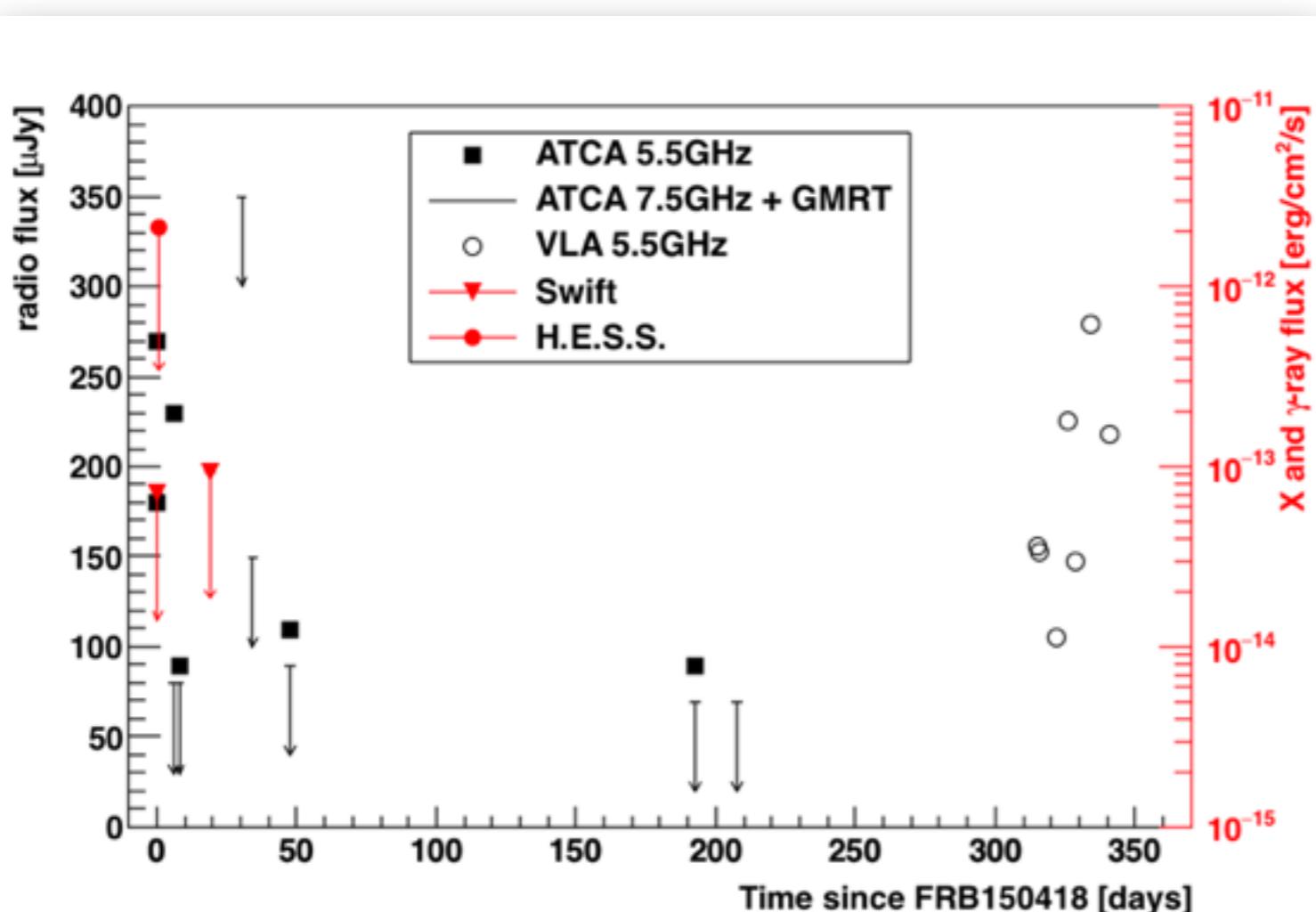
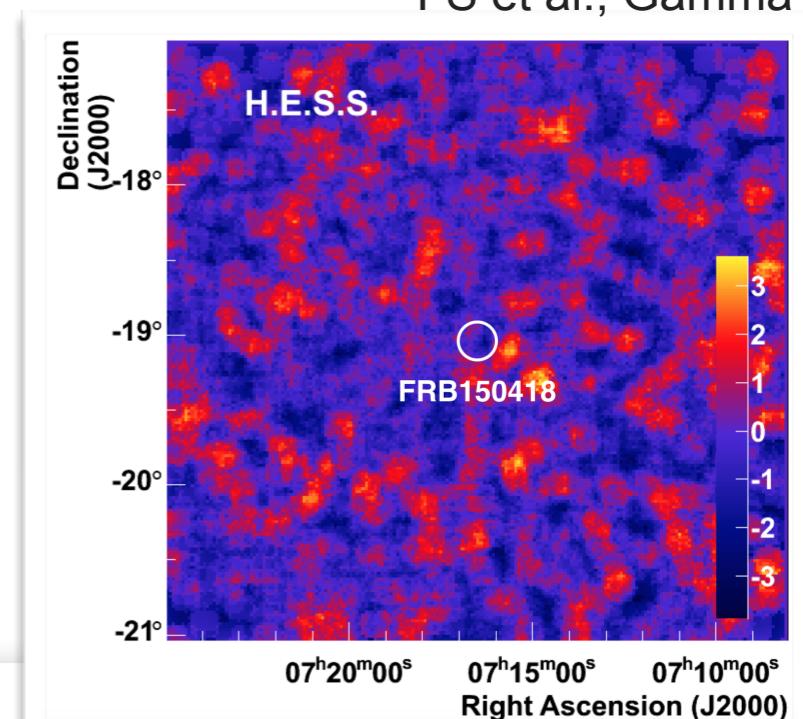
# FRB150418

- detected 2015 April 18 04:29:07.056 UTC at SUPERB@Parkes
- ATCA: fading radio afterglow during  $\sim$ 6days
  - optical identification of galaxy at  $z=0.492$



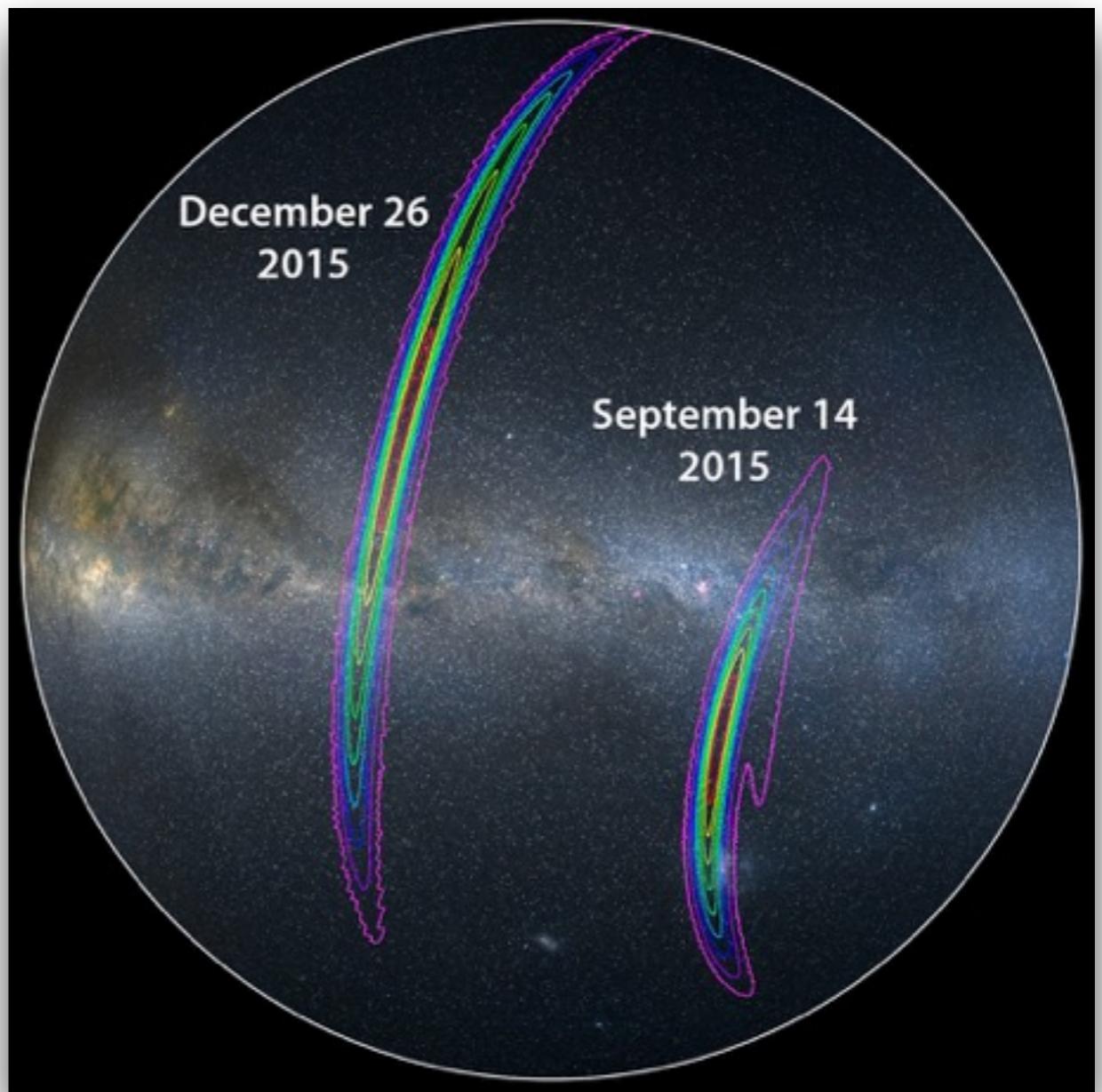
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- H.E.S.S. observations the night after the burst
  - delay:  $\sim$ 14.5h
  - no VHE afterglow detected
  - $\Phi(E>350\text{GeV}) < 1.3 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  ( $E^{-2}$ , 99% C.L.)



# Gravitational Waves

- Second physics run of Advanced LIGO/Virgo started recently
- Ligo only: localization typically poor  $O(100 \text{ deg}^2)$
- H.E.S.S. part of the EM follow-up program since 2014
- rapid slewing, relatively large FoV
- follow-up decision on case-by-case basis

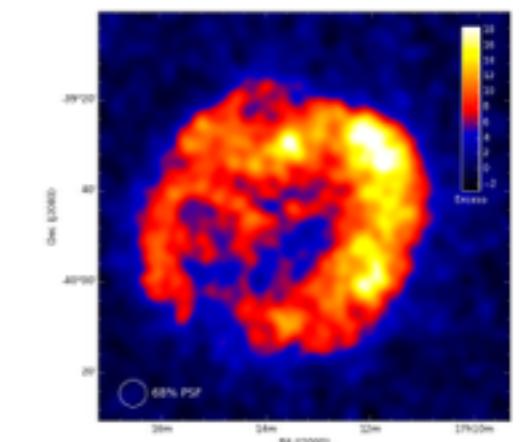
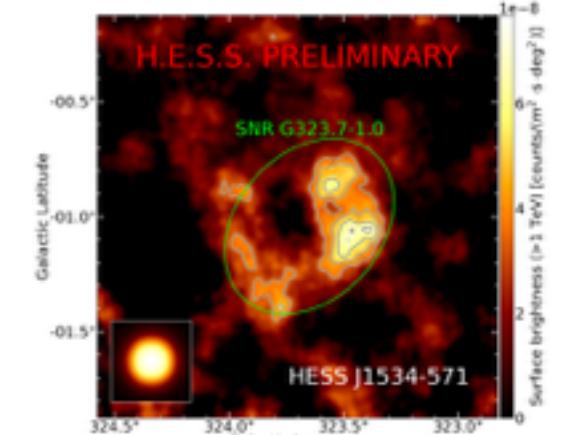
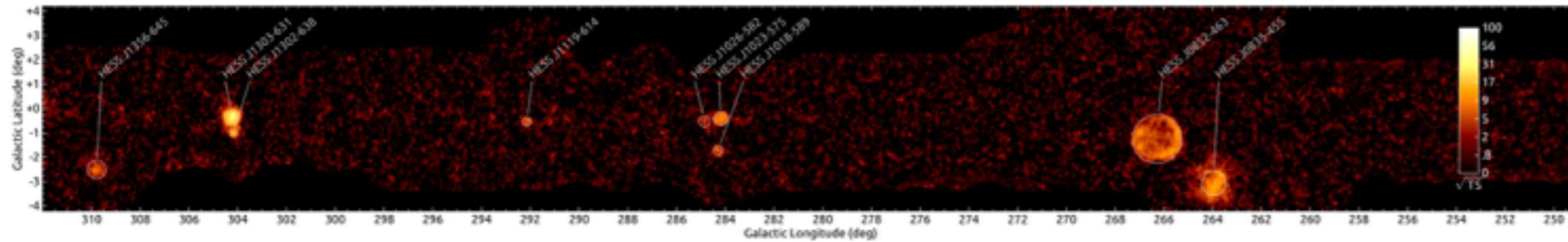
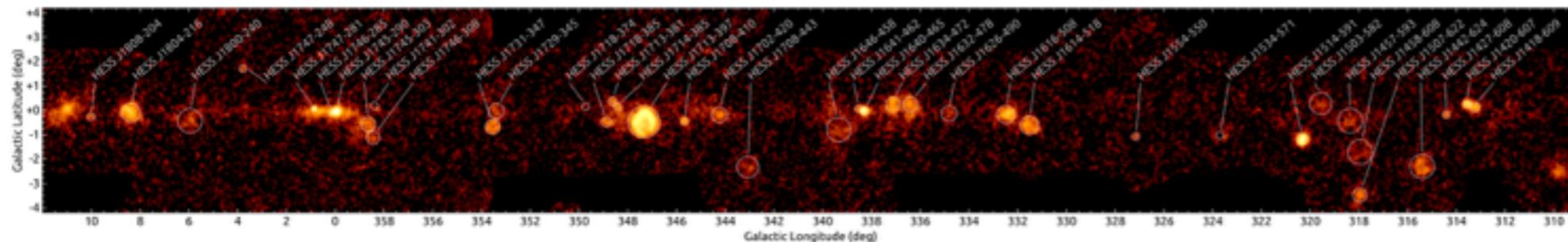
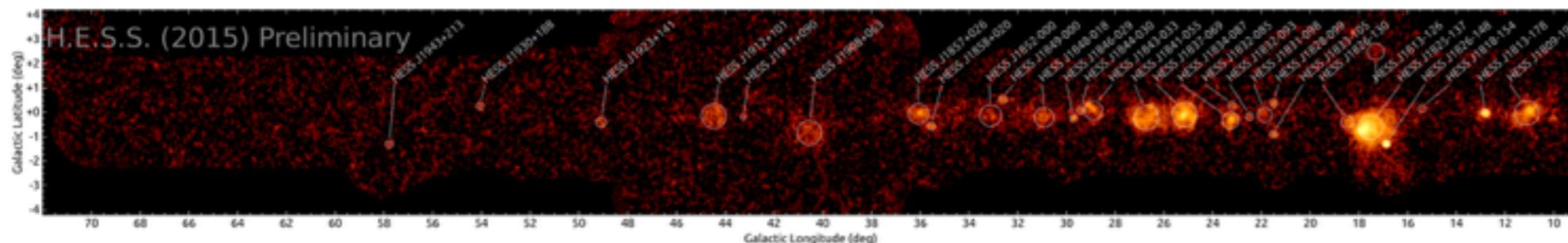
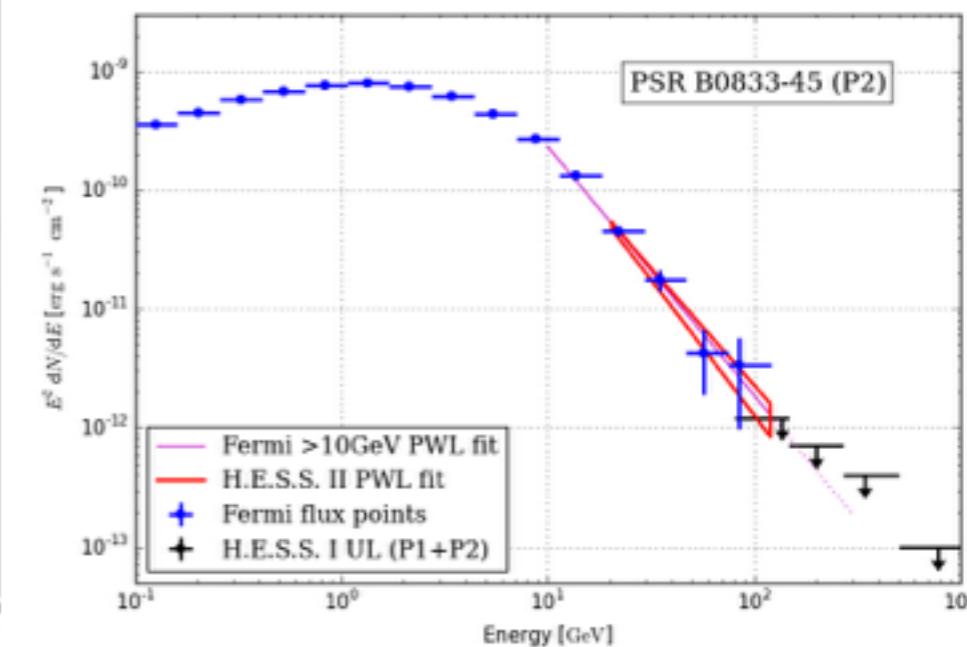
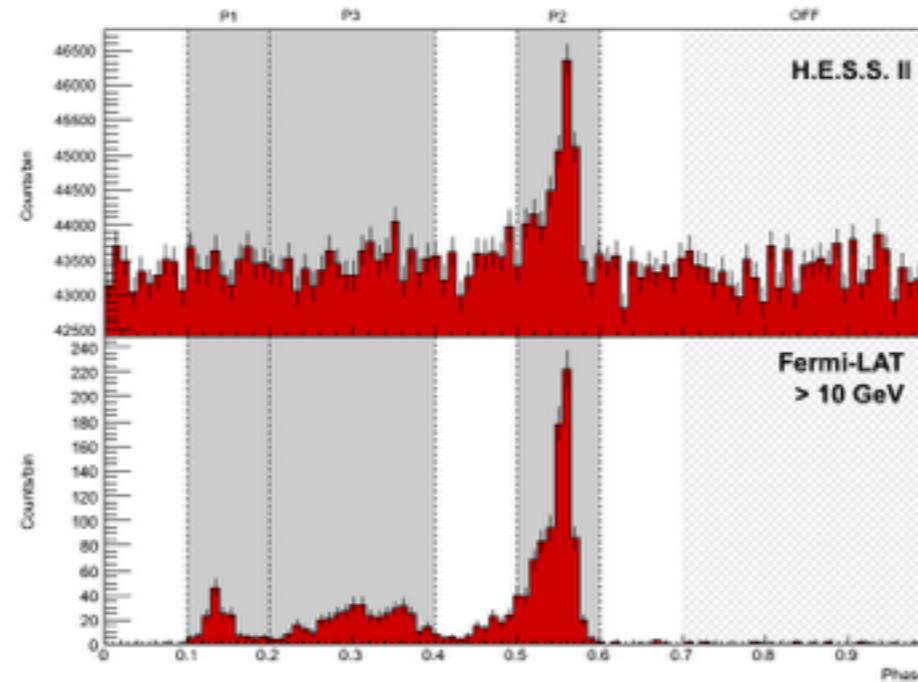
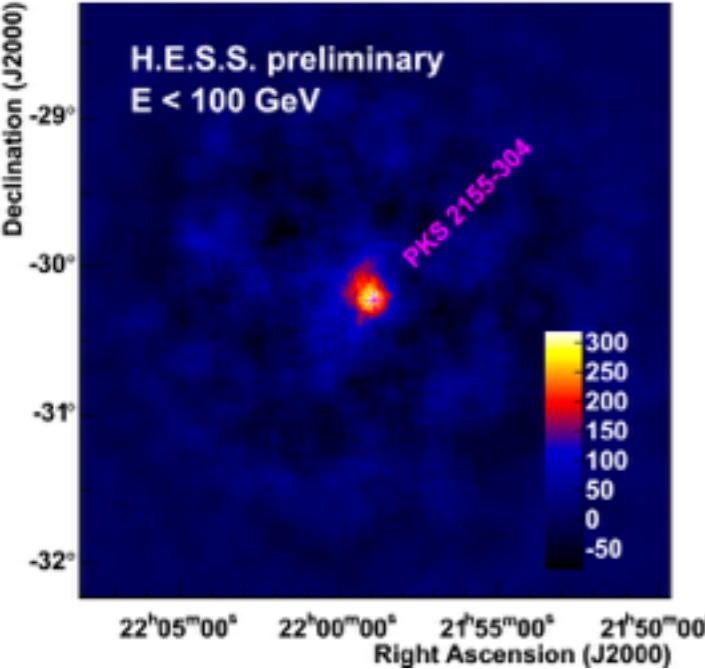


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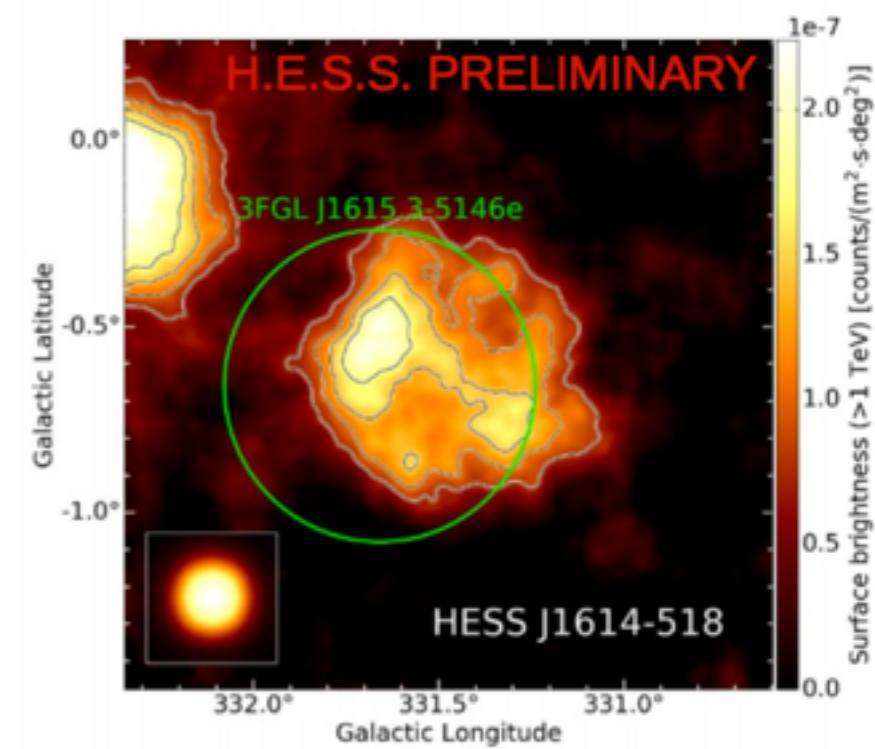
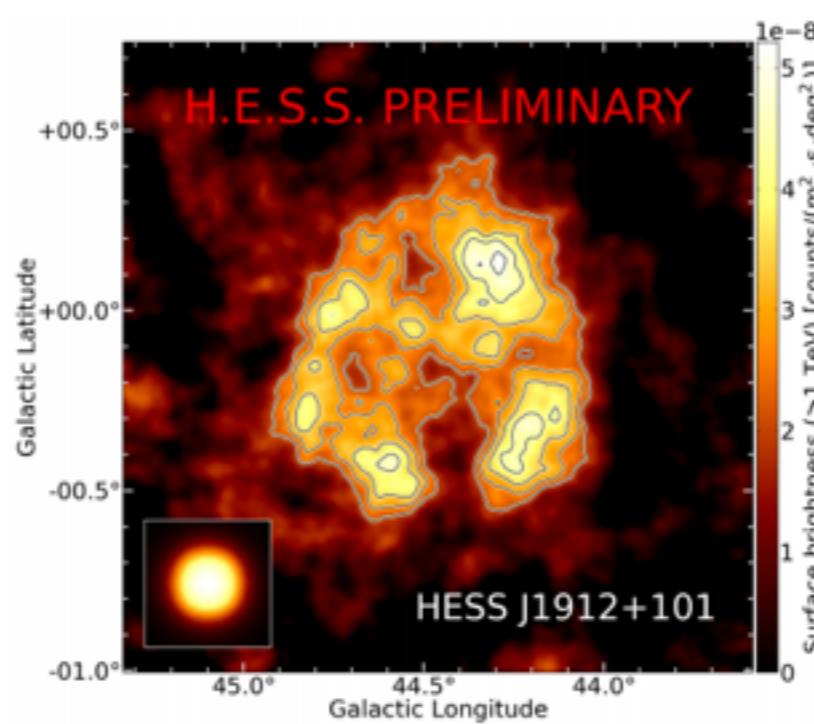
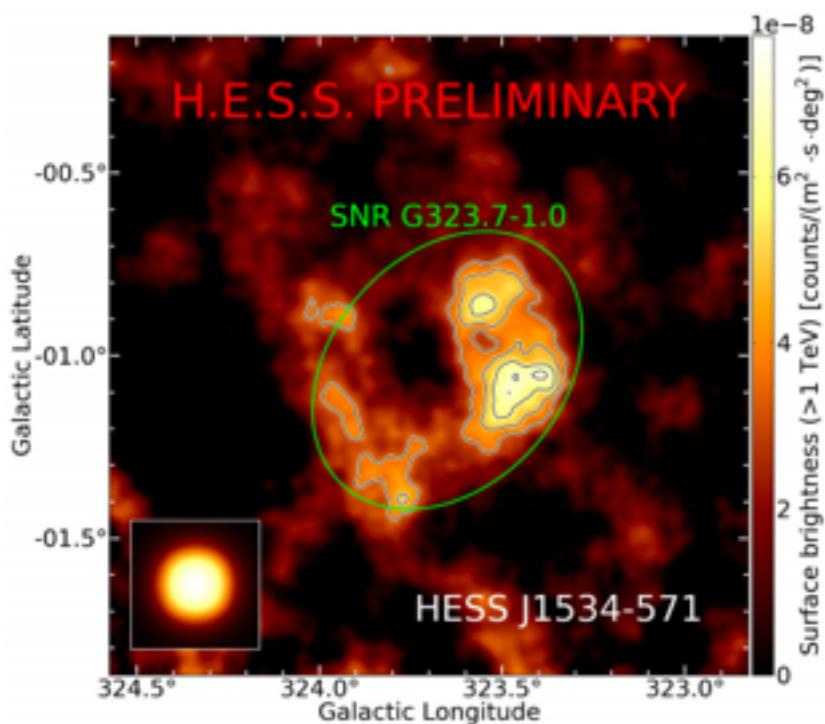
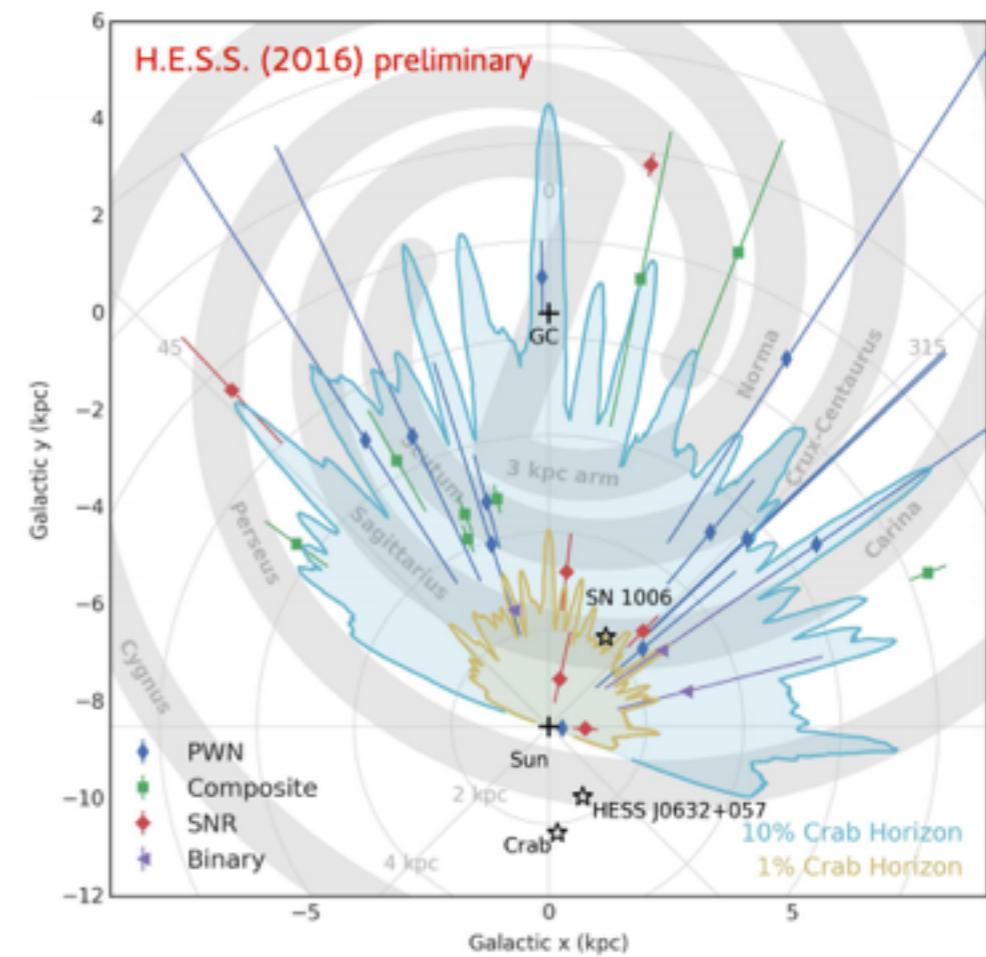
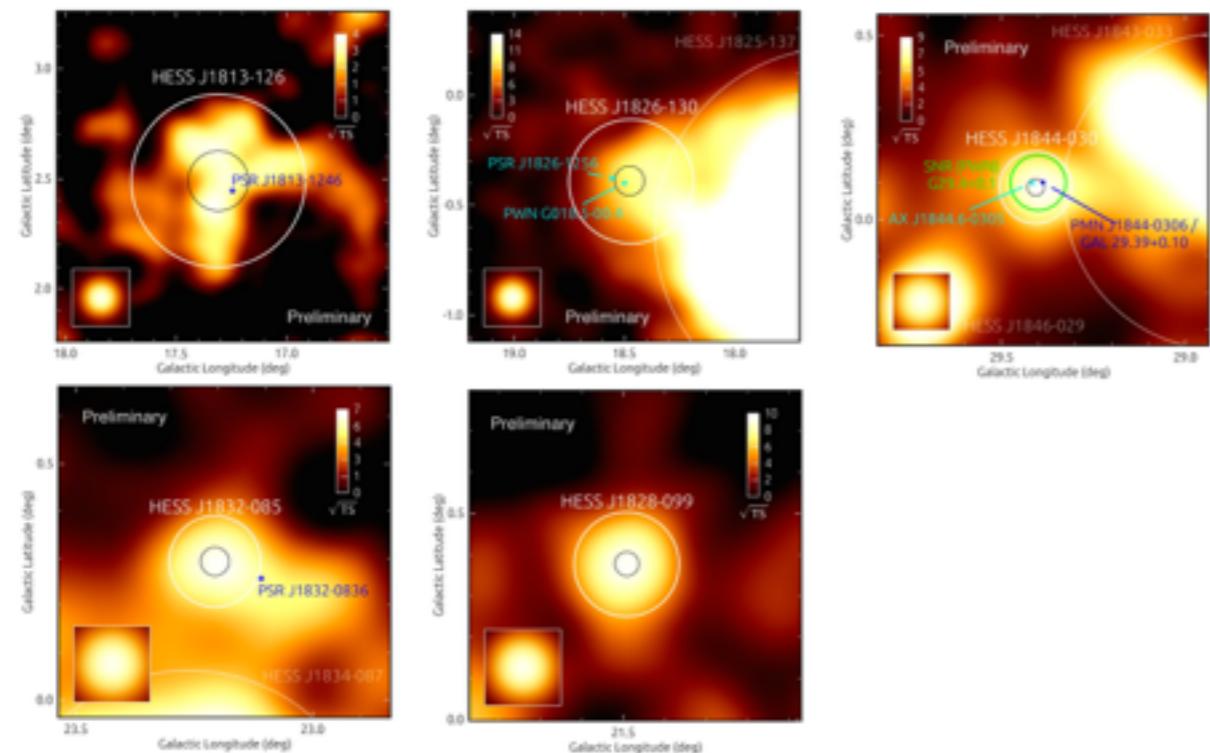
- H.E.S.S. phase II: lower energy threshold and rapid response
- Multi-messenger program
  - Neutrinos
    - hotspot + HESE source searches
    - focus on ToOs (e.g. IC-AMON alerts, ANTARES)
  - Follow-up of alerts and ToOs
    - GRBs
      - improved performance: reduced response time
      - highest priority observations
    - Fast Radio Bursts
    - Gravitational Waves



# Recent results



# The H.E.S.S. Galactic Plane Survey



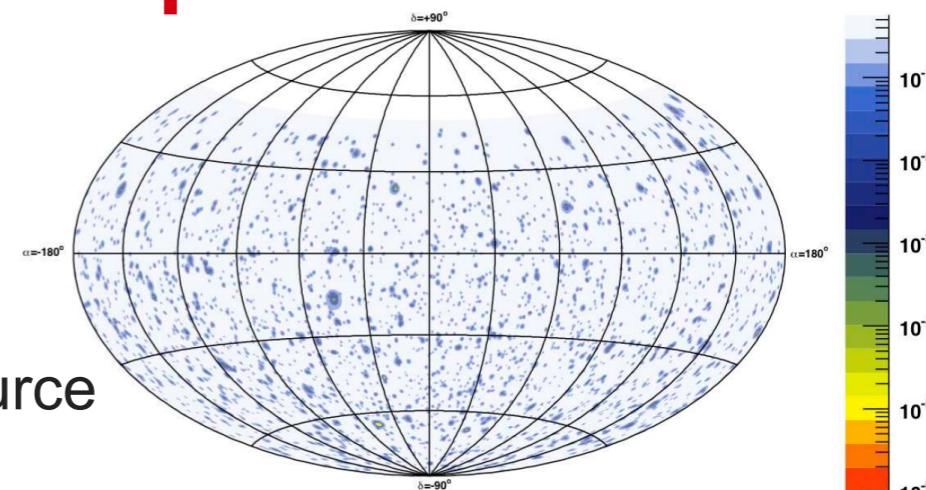
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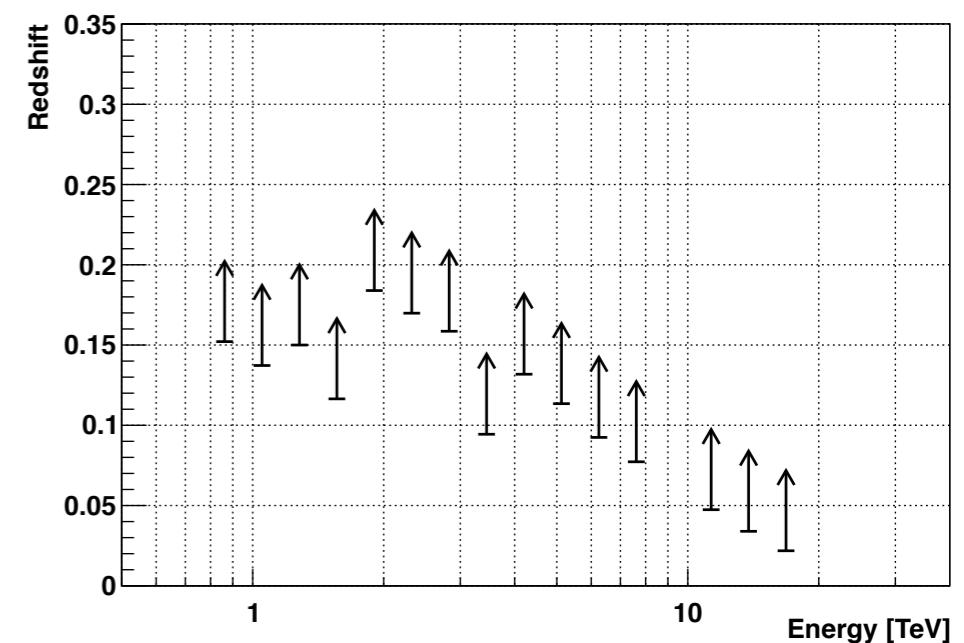
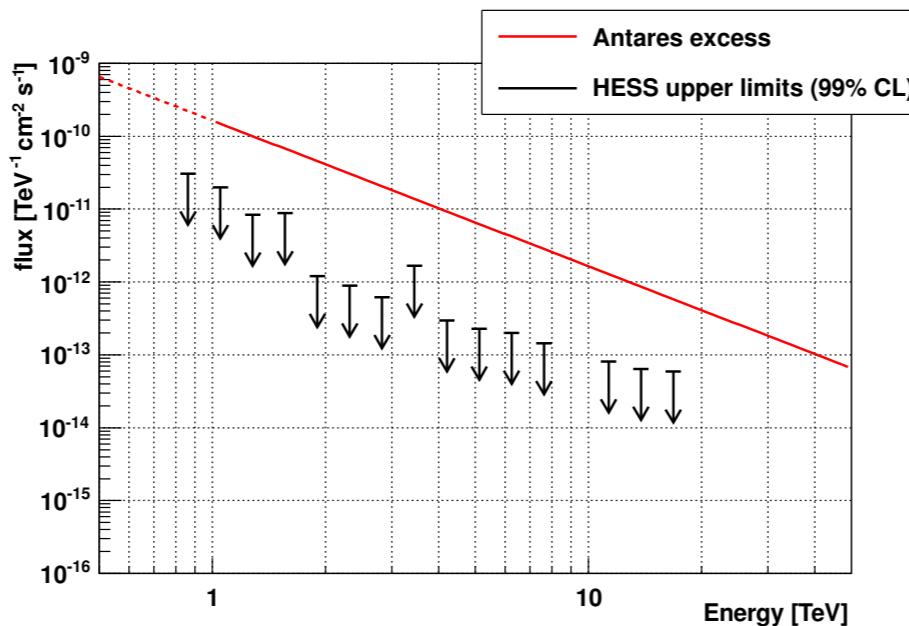
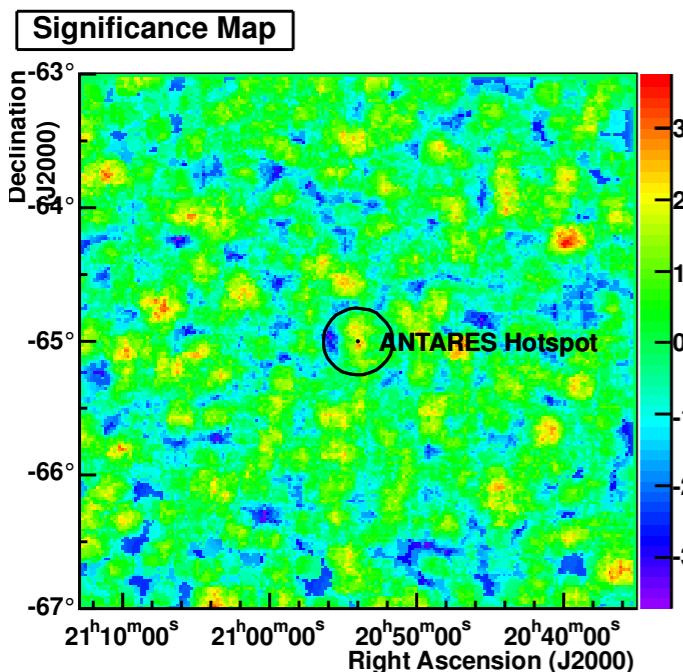
# Multi-messenger program: Neutrino hotspots

## ■ Antares hotspot

- 2.2 $\sigma$  excess (Adrian-Martinez et al., APJ 760 (2012) 53)
- 2h of H.E.S.S. observations in 2013 ruling out close-by source



S. Adrian-Martinez (ANTARES Collaboration)  
APJ 760 (2012) 53



FS et al., ICRC 2013, arXiv:1307.6074