

Indirect constraints on the origins of UHECRs & VHE neutrinos

& possible indications of multiple sources

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springing from work with Michael Unger
(and earlier, Chen Ding and Noemie Globus)



What we know:

- No single (apparent) dominant source (or source class ???)
- Complex composition
- Highest energy Galactic CRs overlap the lowest energy extragalactic UHECRs
- ◆ Spectrum shaped by acceleration, propagation and interactions near source
 - Multi-messenger approach is essential

What we NEED TO know:

- Are sources weak and abundant or strong and rare?
- What are the principal source types?
 - ◆ Sources may not all be visible today (e.g., transients)
- What are the sources' spectra and composition?
 - ◆ Are UHECR sources (approximately) standardized?
- Better knowledge of magnetic fields
- Task seems hard...



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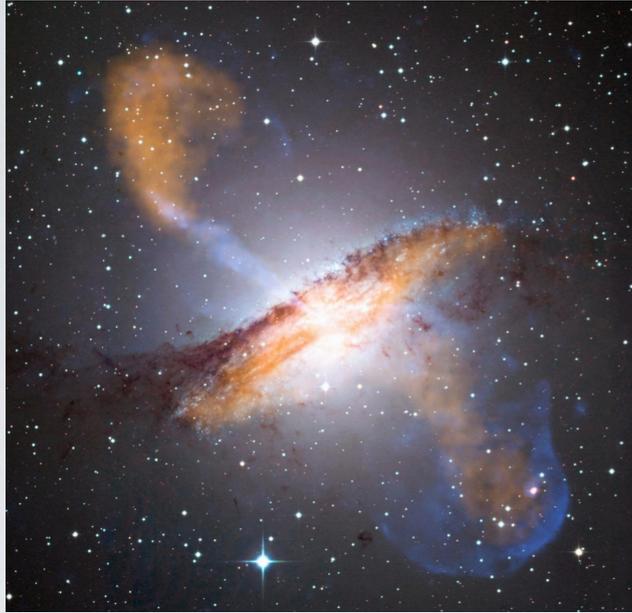
- Constrain *UHECR source environments*' T, B, L
 - using spectrum, composition & neutrinos
 - **Data disfavors some candidate sources**

Also, anisotropy constraints (not today!):

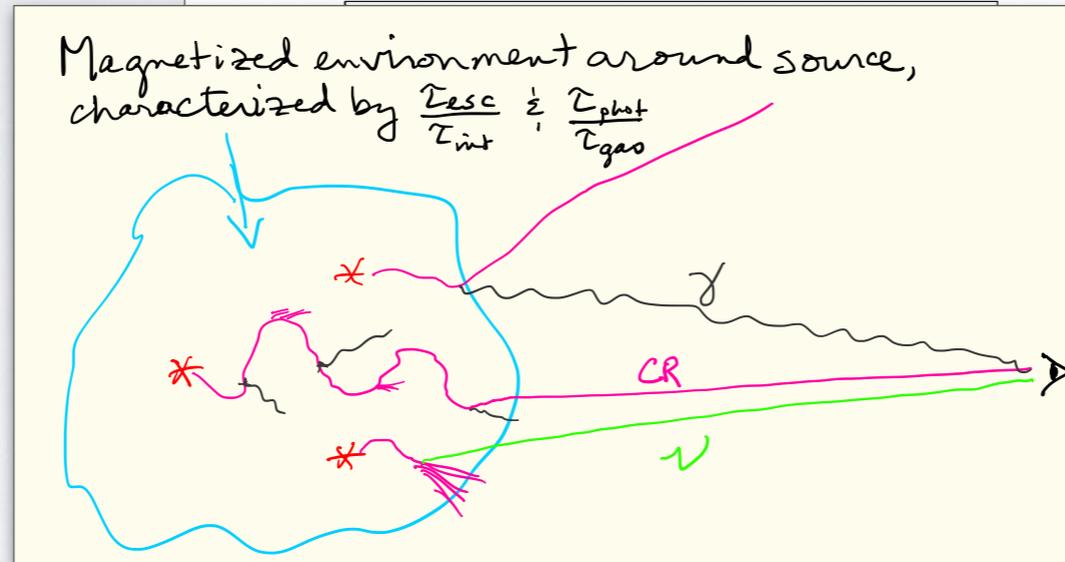
- Dipole anisotropy → natural baseline model Ding, Globus, GRF ApJL'21 (see also Allard+ '21)
 - sources are abundant and weak
 - individually-distinct sources are few and nearby (e.g., TA hotspot!)
 - SOURCE DISTRIBUTION KNOWN (LSS) → refine GMF
- But maybe local radio galaxies are responsible! Eichmann, Kachelreiss, Oikonomou 2022

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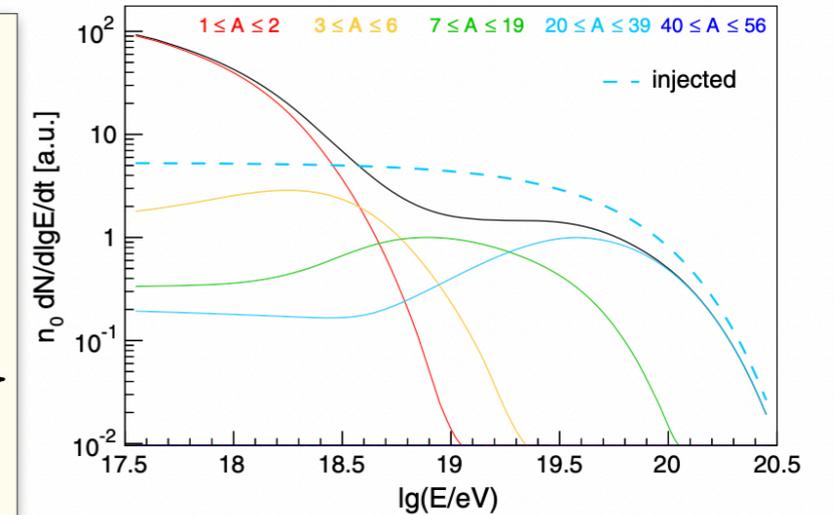
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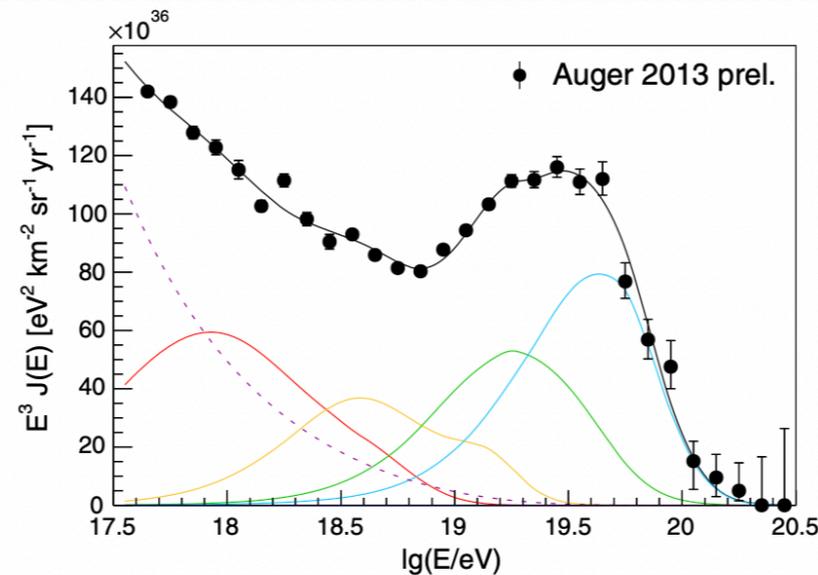


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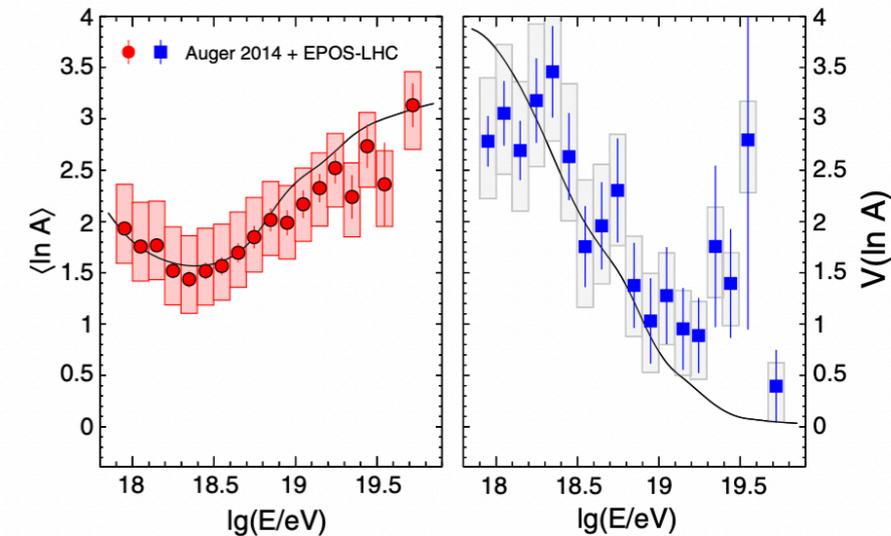


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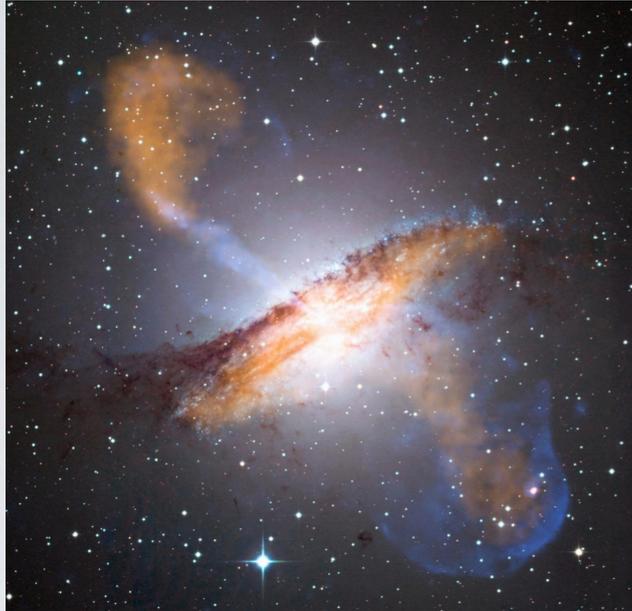
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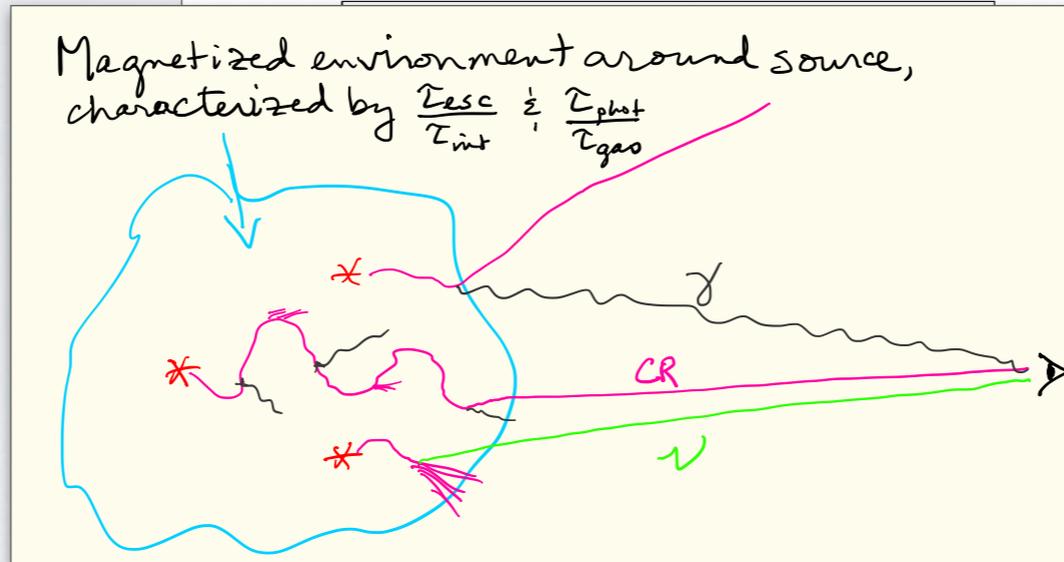
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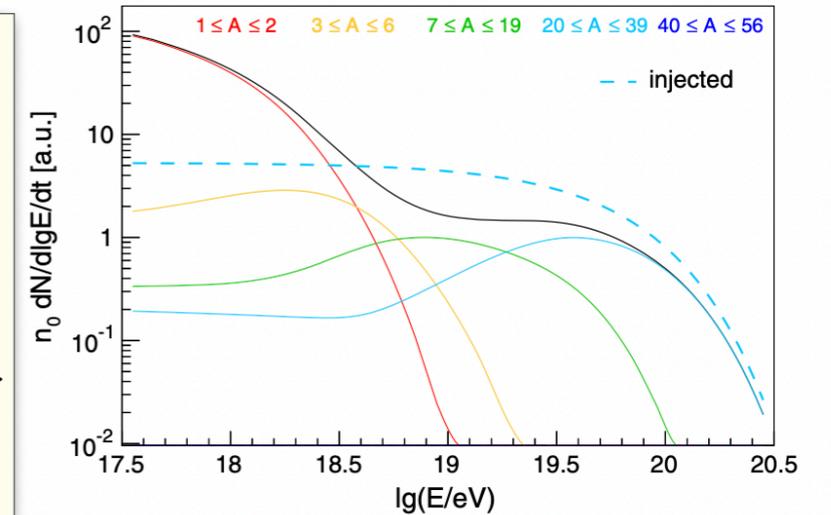
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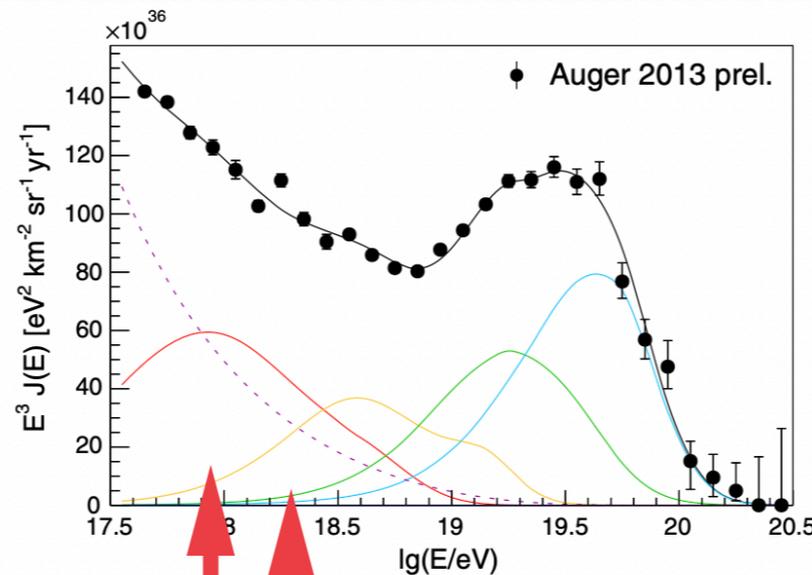
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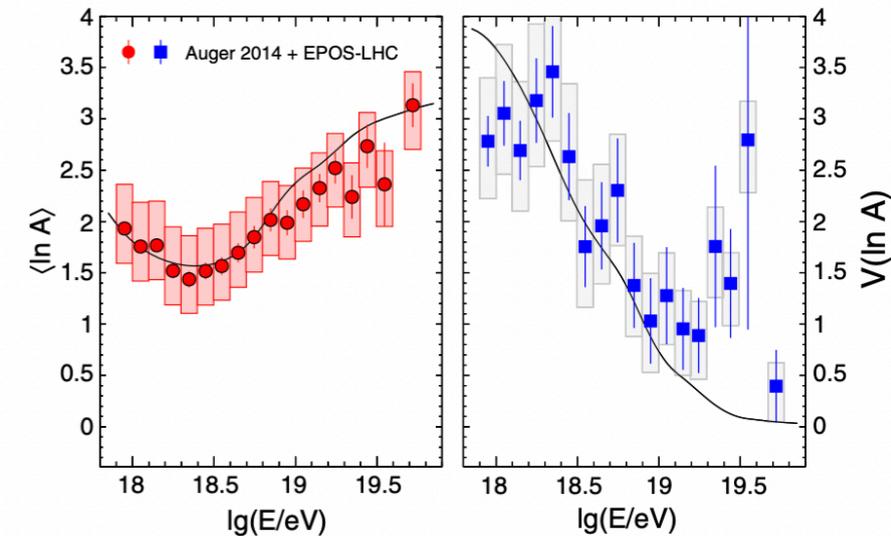
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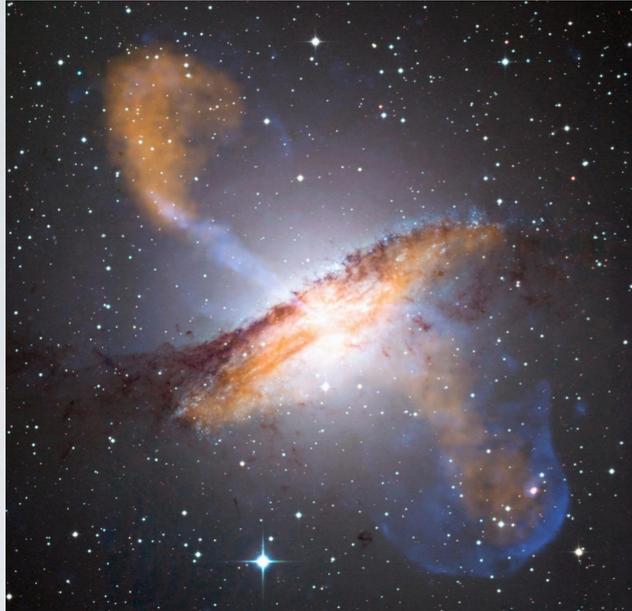
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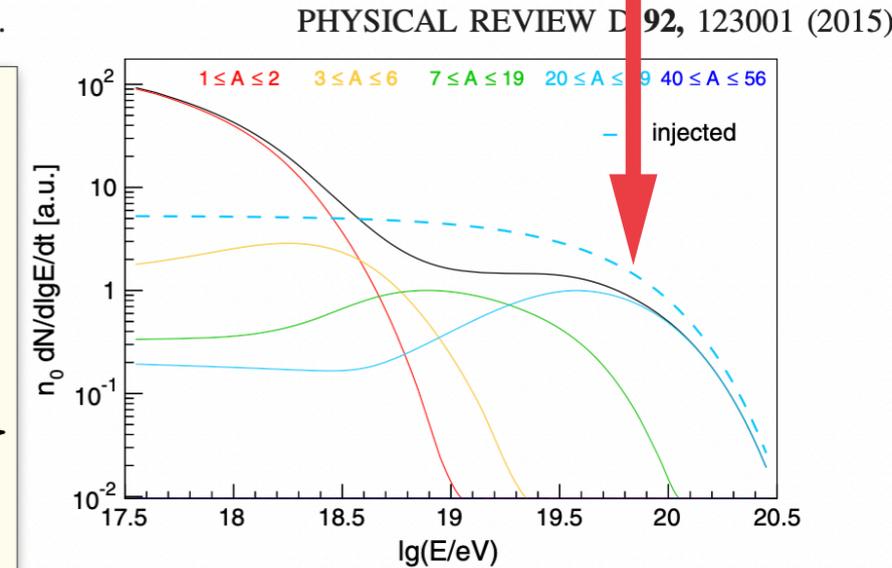
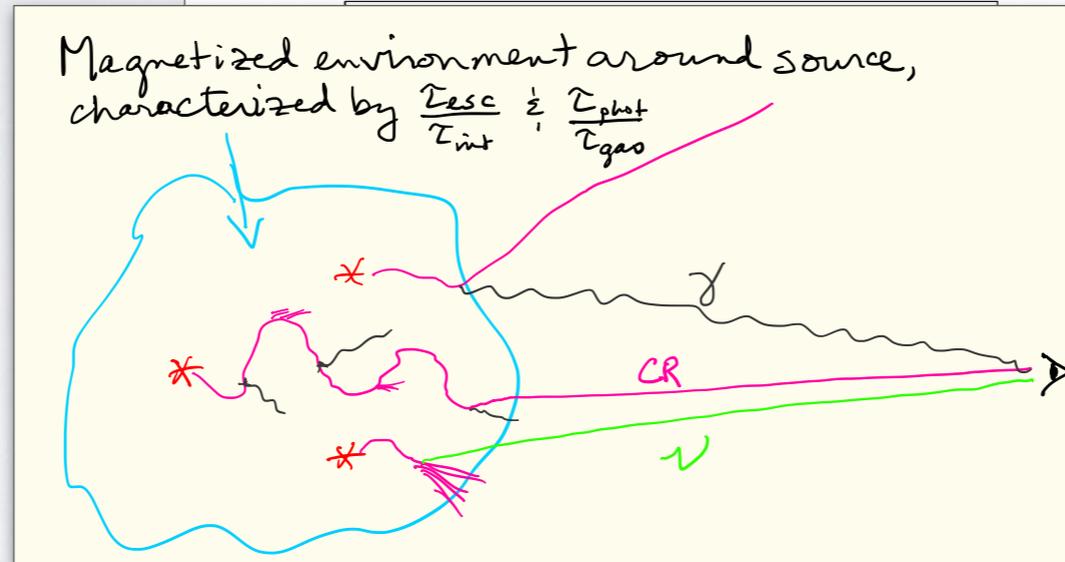
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Note large fraction of fragmented primaries



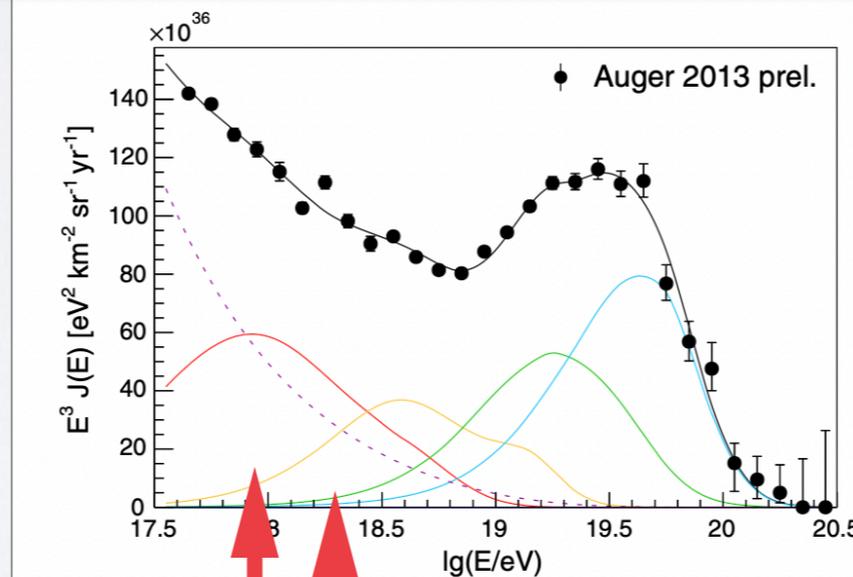
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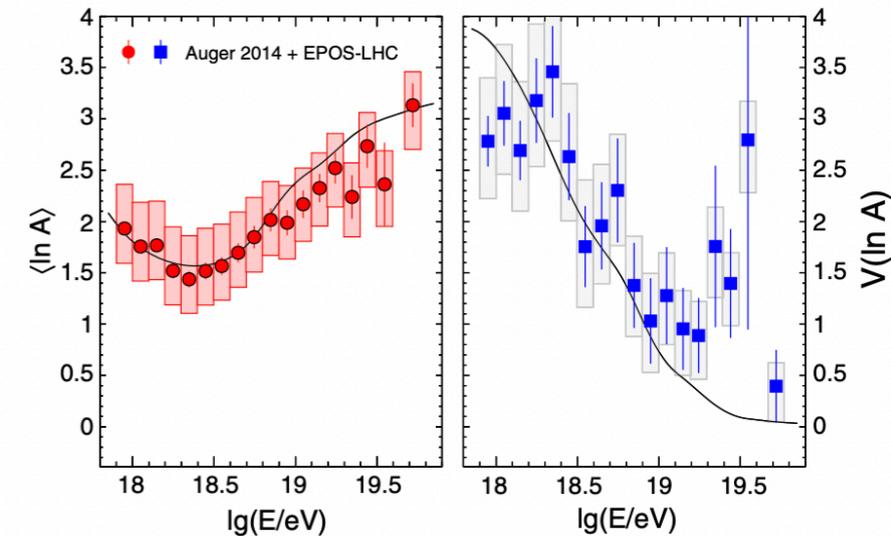
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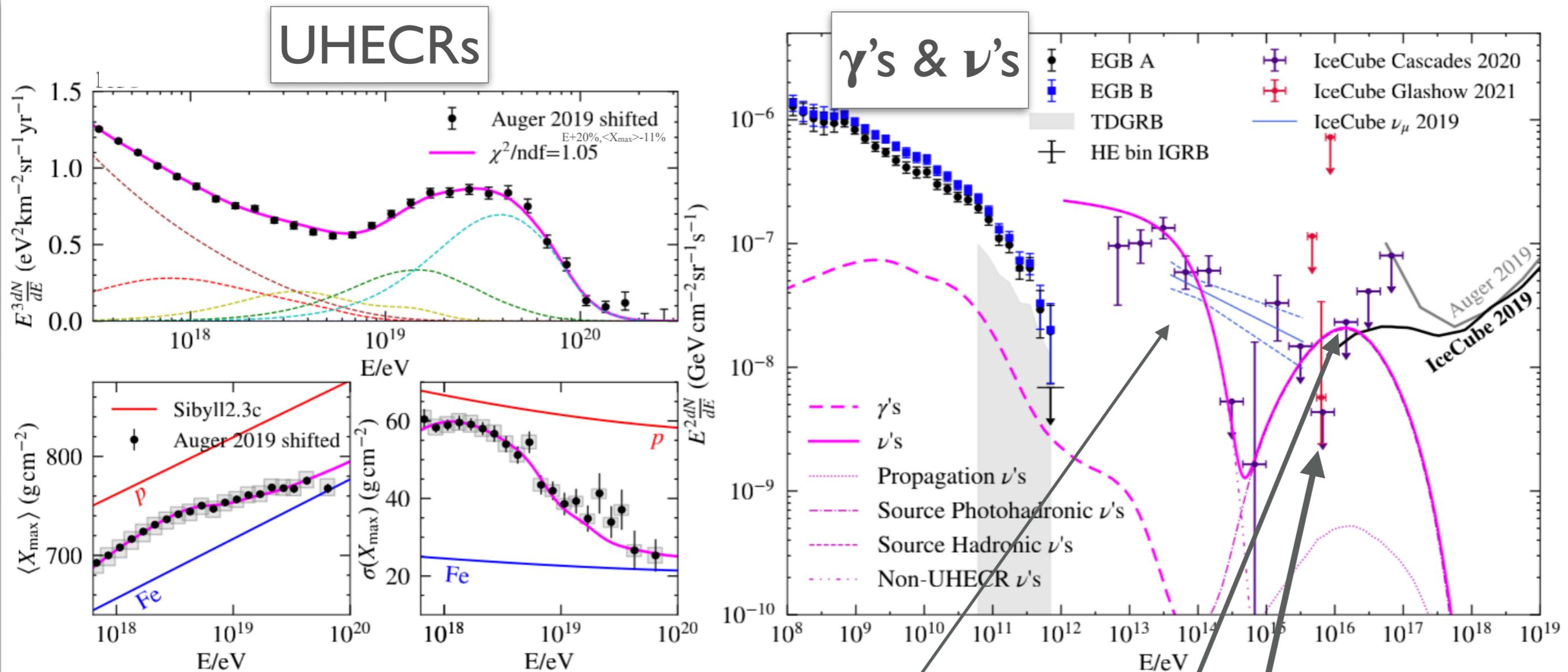
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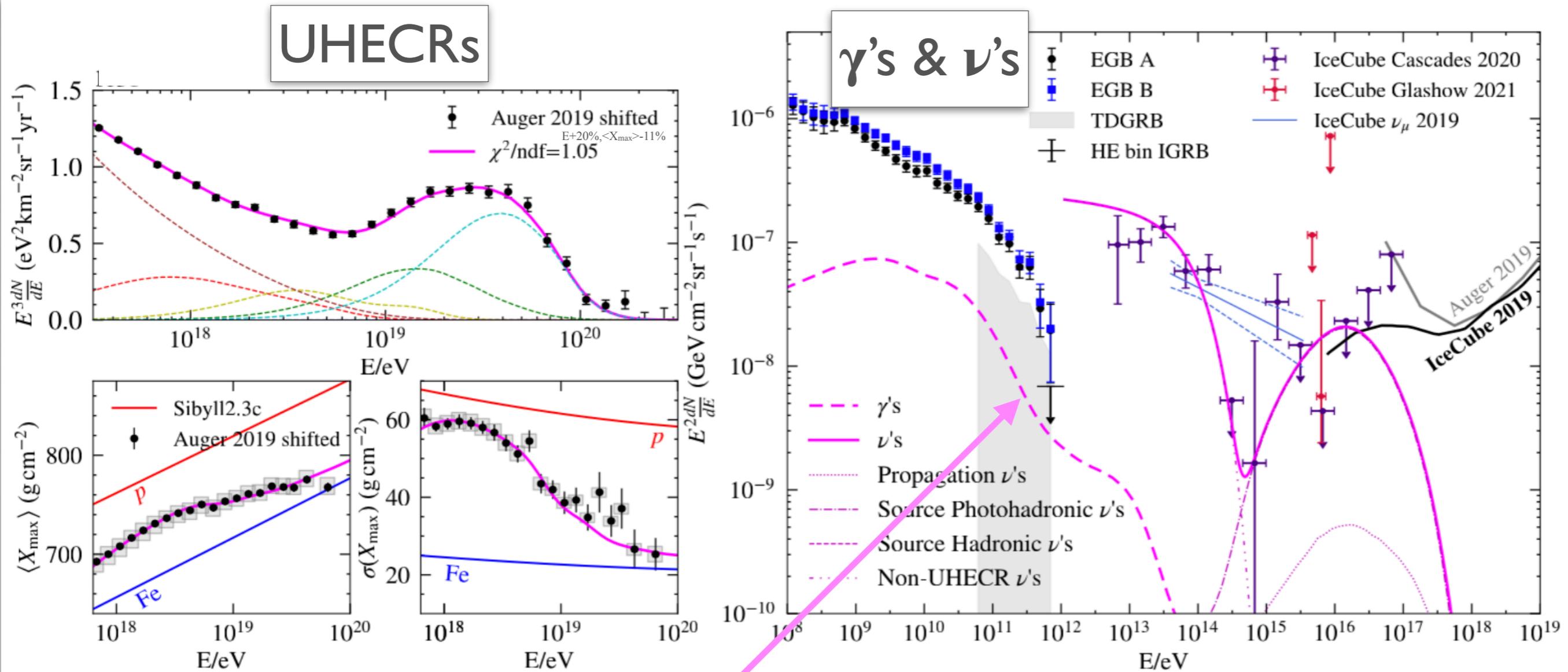
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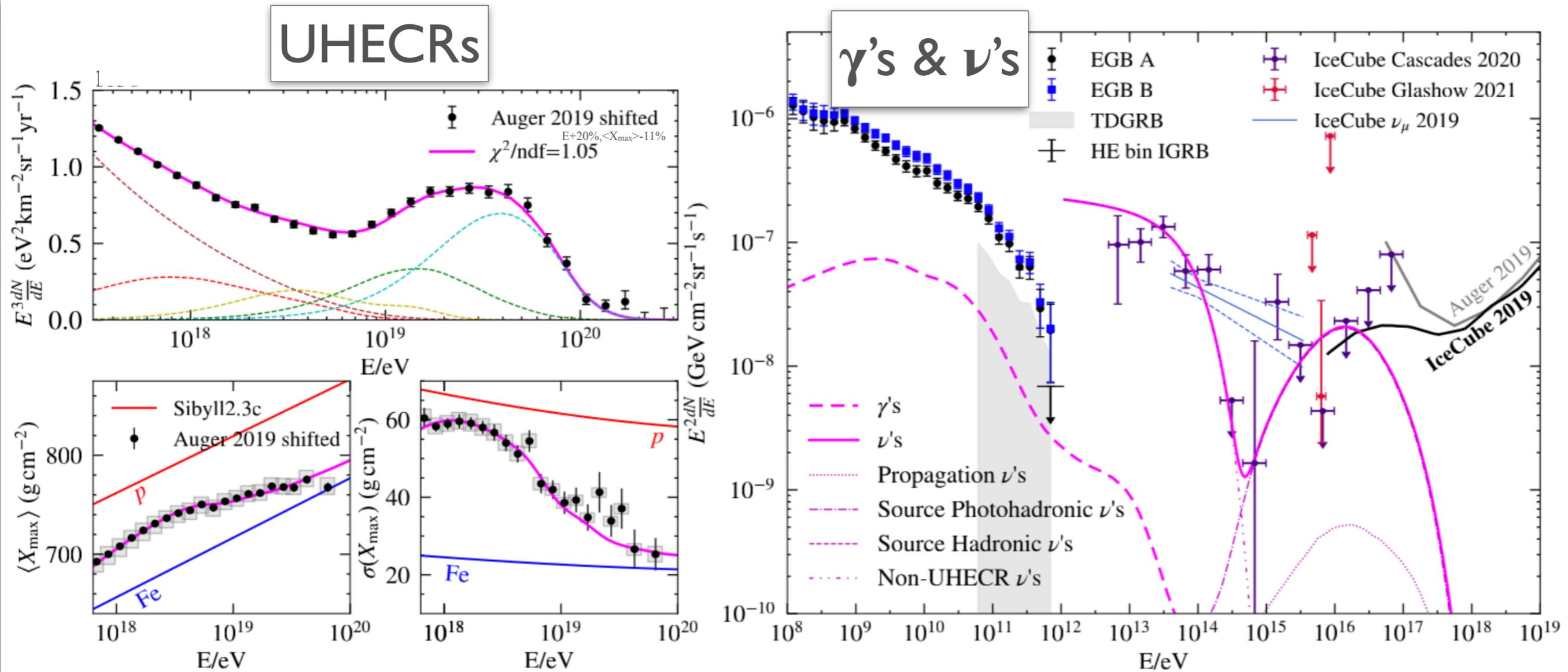
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Today: exploiting the UFA mechanism

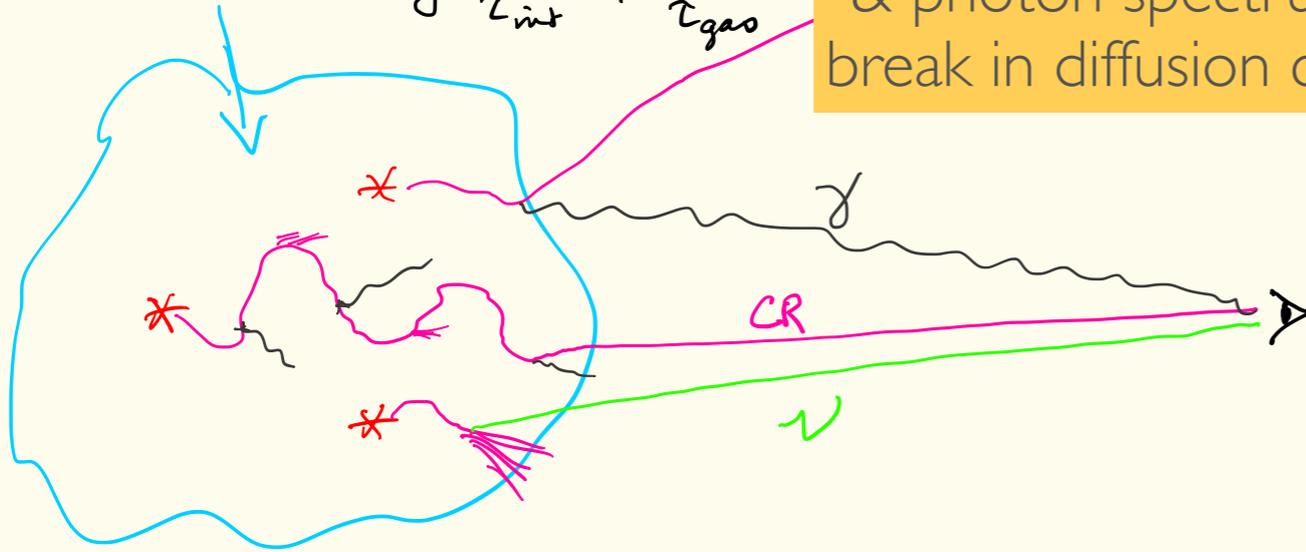
Muzio & GF arXiv:2209.08068



MODEL FIT PARAMETERS \Leftrightarrow ratio of escape & interaction times; break in diffusion coefficient
 \Leftrightarrow magnetic field strength and coherence length; source size; photon spectrum and gas density...

The surroundings of UHECR Accelerators are constrained by MFU fit

Magnetized environment around source, characterized by $\frac{\tau_{\text{esc}}}{\tau_{\text{int}}} \hat{=} \frac{\tau_{\text{phot}}}{\tau_{\text{gas}}}$ & photon spectrum, break in diffusion coef



Key parameters:

$$r_{\text{esc}} \equiv \tau_{\text{esc}}^{\text{ref}} / \tau_{\text{int}}^{\text{ref}} = \langle N_{\text{int}}^{\text{ref}} \rangle$$

reference: ^{56}Fe at 10 EeV.

$$n_{\gamma} = n_0 I_{\text{BB}}(T)$$

$$r_{\text{size}} \equiv L / \lambda_c$$

$$\tau_{\text{esc}}(R) = \frac{L^2}{6D(R)} + \frac{L}{c}$$

$$T: \sigma_{\gamma A}(E_{\text{CR}})$$

$$R_{\text{diff}}, \tau_{\text{esc}}: B, L, \lambda_c$$

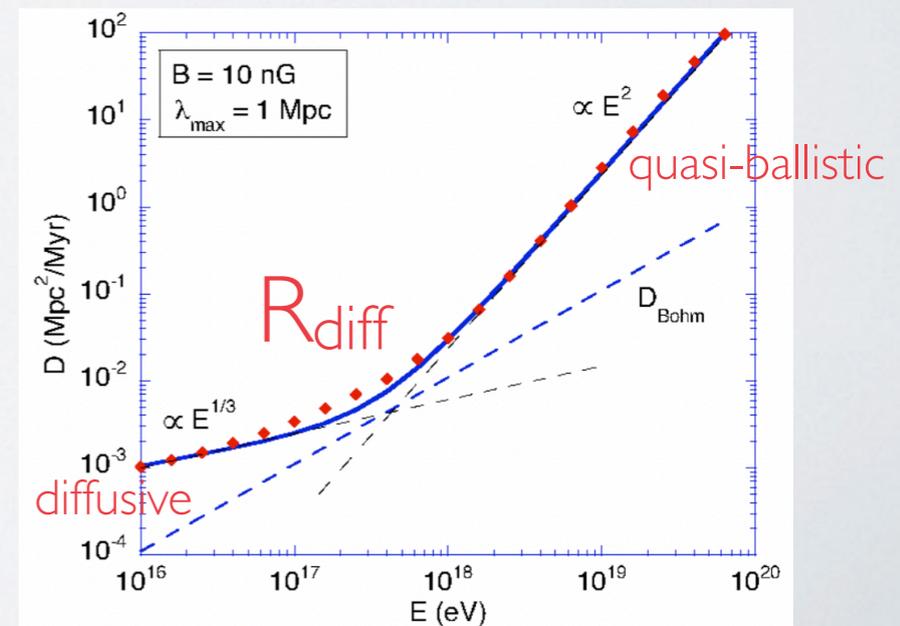
$$D(R) \equiv c \lambda_c d(R) / 6\pi$$

$$2\pi r_L(R_{\text{diff}}) \equiv \lambda_c$$

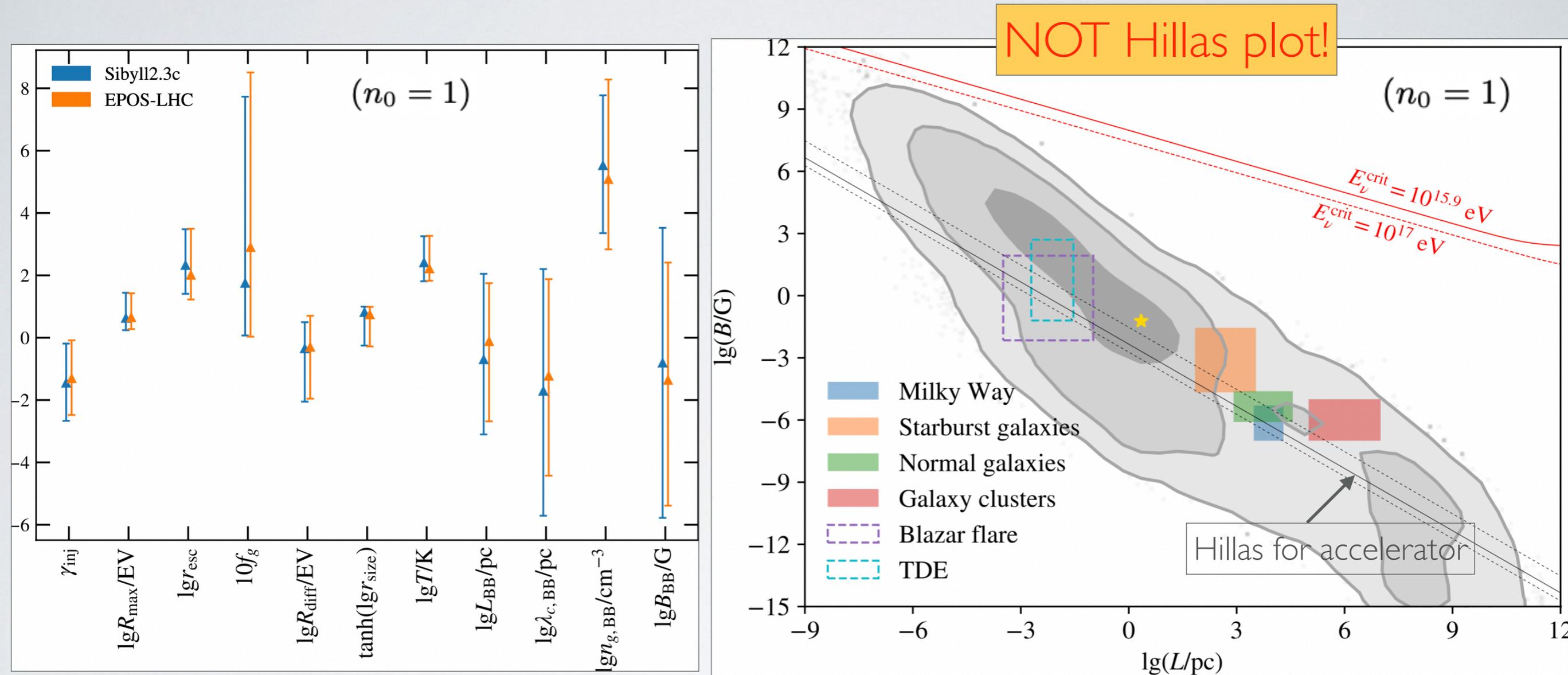
$$d(R) = \left(\frac{R}{R_{\text{diff}}}\right)^{1/3} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{R}{R_{\text{diff}}}\right) + \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{R}{R_{\text{diff}}}\right)^2$$

$$n_0 L = \frac{c \tau_{\text{BB},\gamma}^{\text{ref}} r_{\text{esc}} r_{\text{g}\gamma}}{(\pi r_{\text{size}} / d(R^{\text{ref}}) + 1) (1 + r_{\text{g}\gamma})}$$

Parameter	Sibyll2.3c	EPOS-LHC
γ_{inj}	$-1.45^{+1.26}_{-1.21}$	$-1.31^{+1.23}_{-1.17}$
$\log_{10}(R_{\text{max}}/V)$	$18.63^{+0.81}_{-0.38}$	$18.65^{+0.78}_{-0.37}$
$\log_{10} r_{\text{esc}}$	$2.32^{+1.16}_{-0.92}$	$2.01^{+1.49}_{-0.78}$
f_g frac. (ref) hadronic ints	$0.17^{+0.6}_{-0.17}$	$0.29^{+0.56}_{-0.29}$
$\log_{10}(R_{\text{diff}}/V)$	$17.65^{+0.85}_{-1.7}$	$17.7^{+1.01}_{-1.65}$
$\tanh(\log_{10} r_{\text{size}})$	$0.81^{+0.18}_{-1.07}$	$0.74^{+0.25}_{-1.02}$
f_{gal}	$0.71^{+0.16}_{-0.47}$	$0.76^{+0.08}_{-0.49}$
γ_{gal}	$-3.4^{+0.74}_{-0.21}$	$-3.46^{+0.74}_{-0.23}$
$\log_{10}(E_{\text{max}}^{\text{galFe}}/\text{eV})$	$18.86^{+1.35}_{-0.63}$	$18.66^{+1.45}_{-0.47}$
$\log_{10}(T/\text{K})$	$2.41^{+0.85}_{-0.6}$	$2.21^{+1.05}_{-0.39}$
A_{inj}	$28.83^{+18.78}_{-18.83}$	$28.62^{+18.93}_{-18.71}$
A_{gal}	$28.78^{+18.77}_{-18.8}$	$28.7^{+18.8}_{-18.72}$
$\log_{10}(B \lambda_c / \mu\text{G} \cdot \text{kpc})$	$0.49^{+0.85}_{-1.7}$	$0.54^{+1.01}_{-1.65}$
$\log_{10}(L n_{\gamma} / (10 \text{ kpc} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}))$	$3.96^{+3.09}_{-1.51}$	$4.15^{+2.65}_{-1.48}$
$\log_{10}(n_{\gamma} / n_g)$	$3.17^{+1.7}_{-1.18}$	$3.05^{+2.06}_{-1.22}$
$\log_{10}(L / 10 \text{ kpc})_{\text{BB}}$	$-4.7^{+2.75}_{-2.4}$	$-4.12^{+1.87}_{-2.56}$
$\log_{10}(\lambda_c / \text{kpc})_{\text{BB}}$	$-4.71^{+3.91}_{-4.0}$	$-4.23^{+3.11}_{-3.2}$
$\log_{10}(n_g / \text{cm}^{-3})_{\text{BB}}$	$5.52^{+2.25}_{-2.17}$	$5.08^{+3.2}_{-2.24}$
$\log_{10}(B / \mu\text{G})_{\text{BB}}$	$5.19^{+4.33}_{-4.97}$	$4.64^{+3.77}_{-4.02}$



Surroundings of UHECR Accelerators



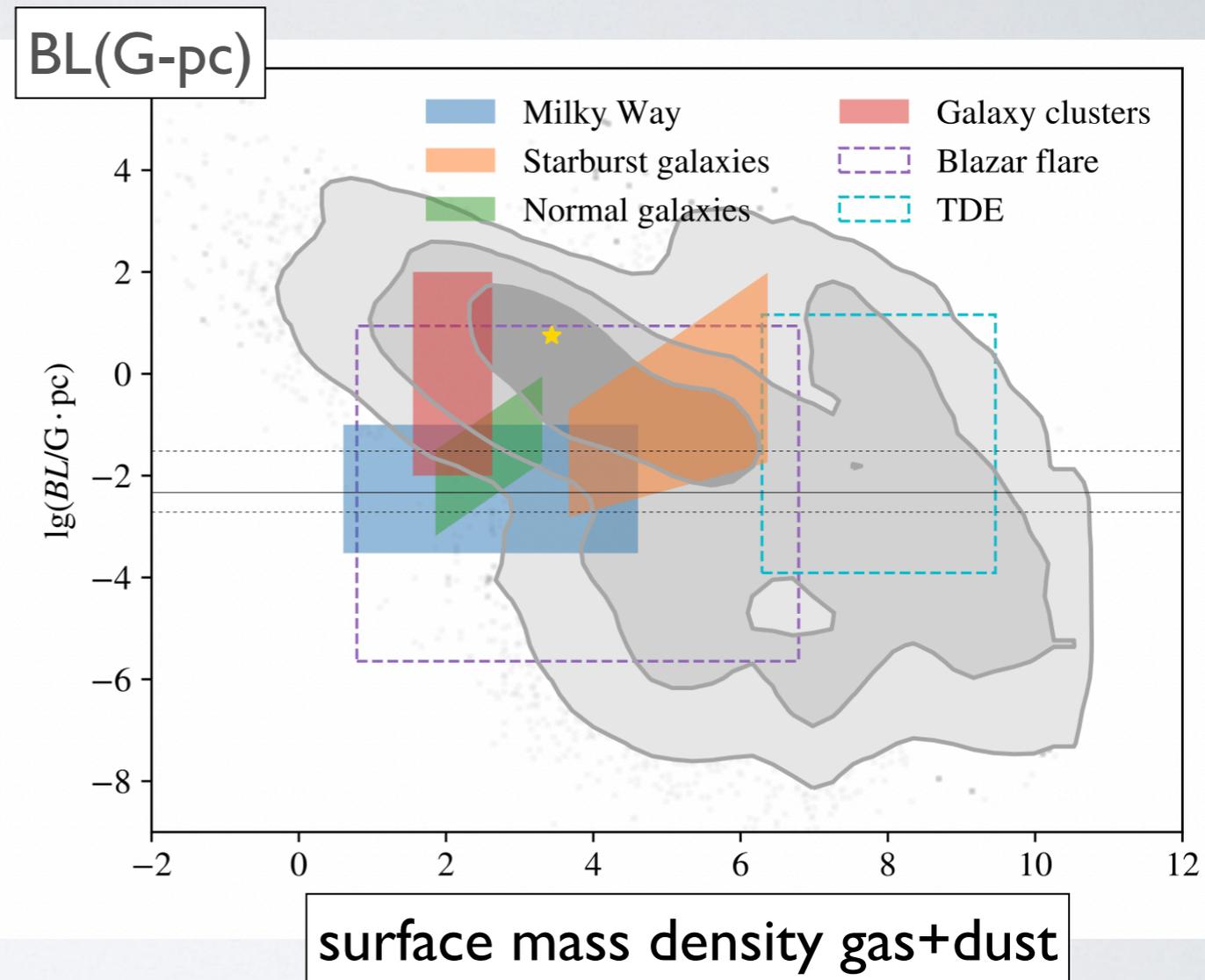
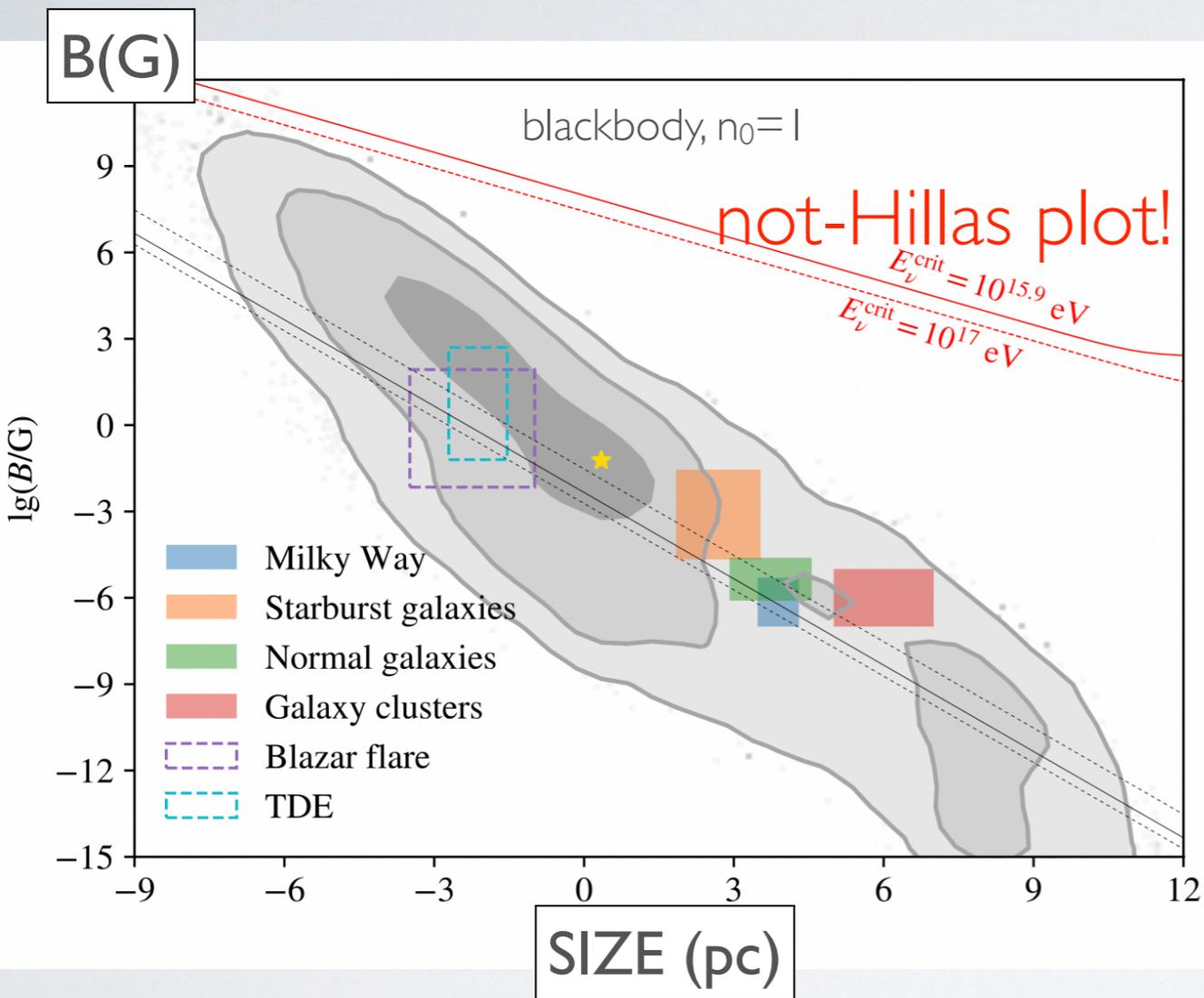
btw: $\gamma_{inj} = -1.45^{+1.25}_{-1.15} \rightarrow$ Diffusive Shock Accel. OK (*accelerator \neq source*)

$T_{surround} = 60 - 2000$ K

$\{B_{rms}, L\}$ — *of source, not accelerator* — is constrained

black-body case $n_0 = 1$; the conversion for other n_0 values is $L = L_{BB}/n_0$, $B = n_0 B_{BB}$, $\lambda_c = \lambda_{c, BB}/n_0$, and $n_g = n_0 n_{g, BB}$.

Magnetic Field, Size, baryon density & photon field of source are constrained → (dis)allowed candidates



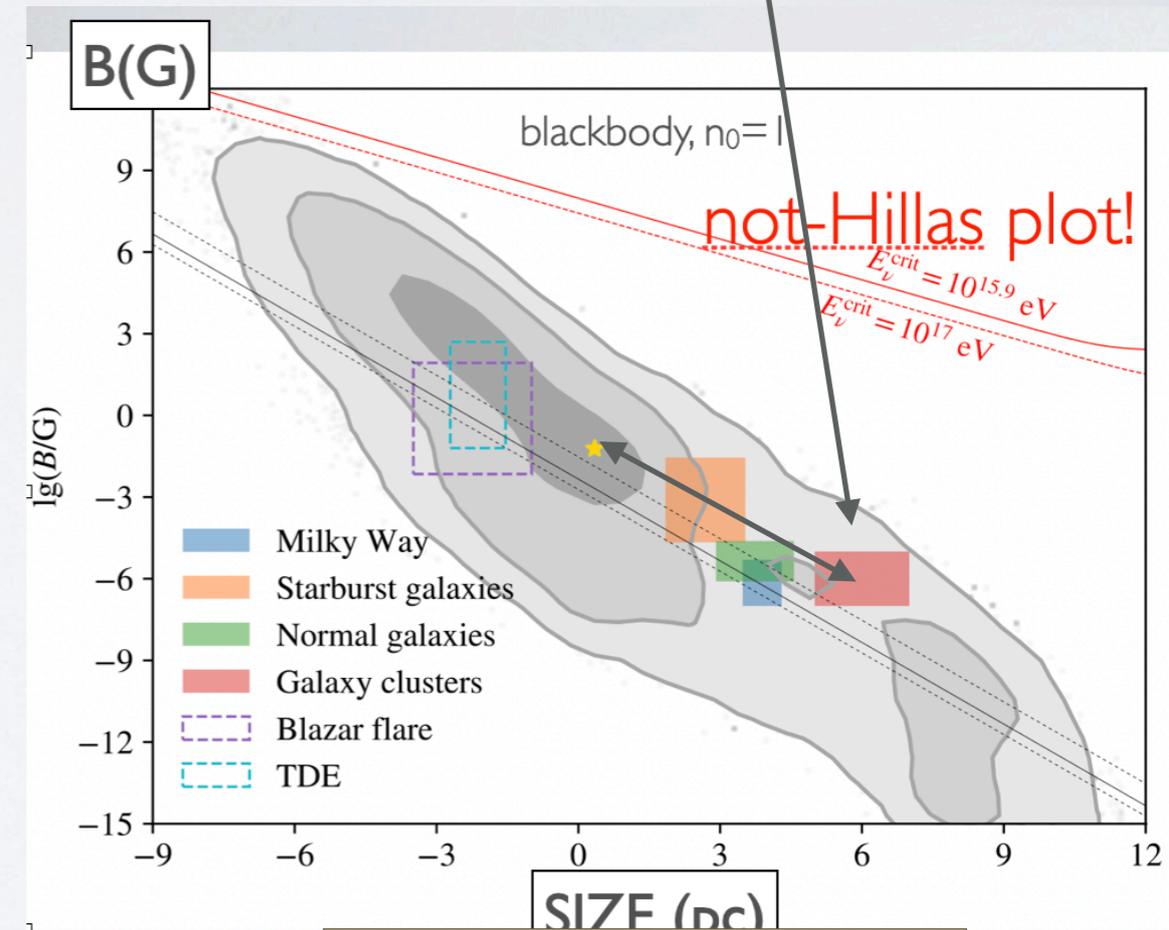
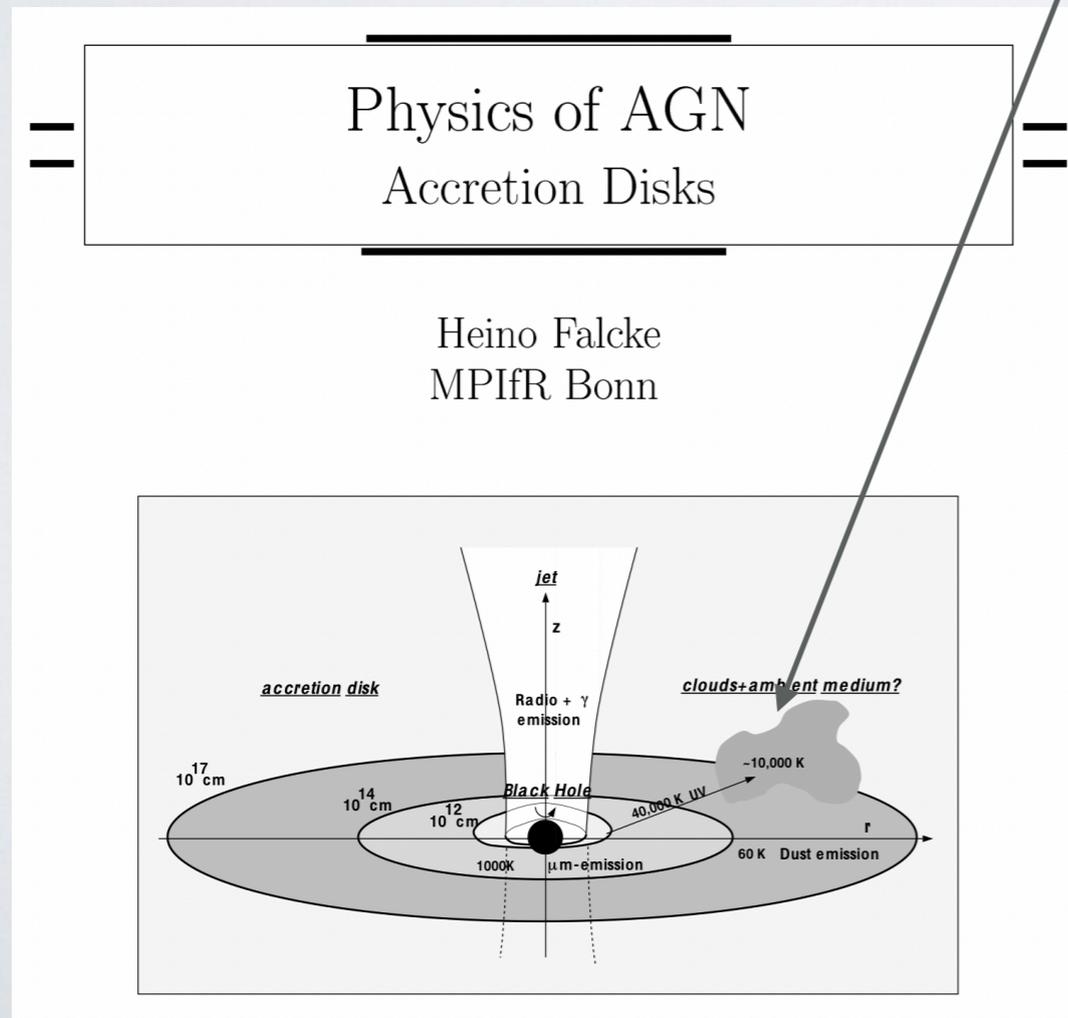
$T_{\text{surround}} = 60 - 2000 \text{ K}$

$T_{\text{surround}} = 60 - 2000 \text{ K}$ excludes many candidate acceleration regions

~~Massive Galaxy Clusters~~ (2 x disfavored: $T = 10^{7-8} \text{ K}$; $n_0 = 1$)

AGN:

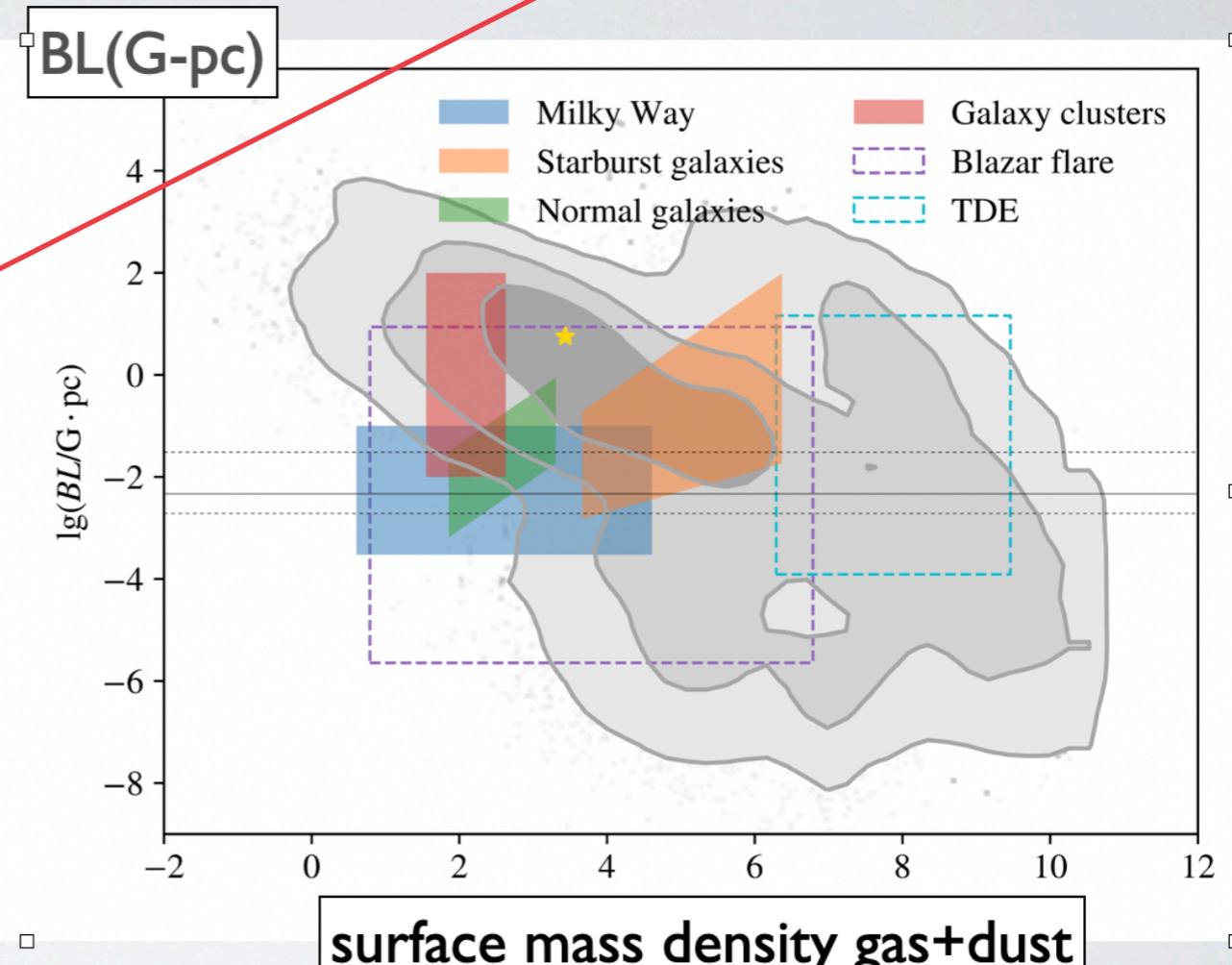
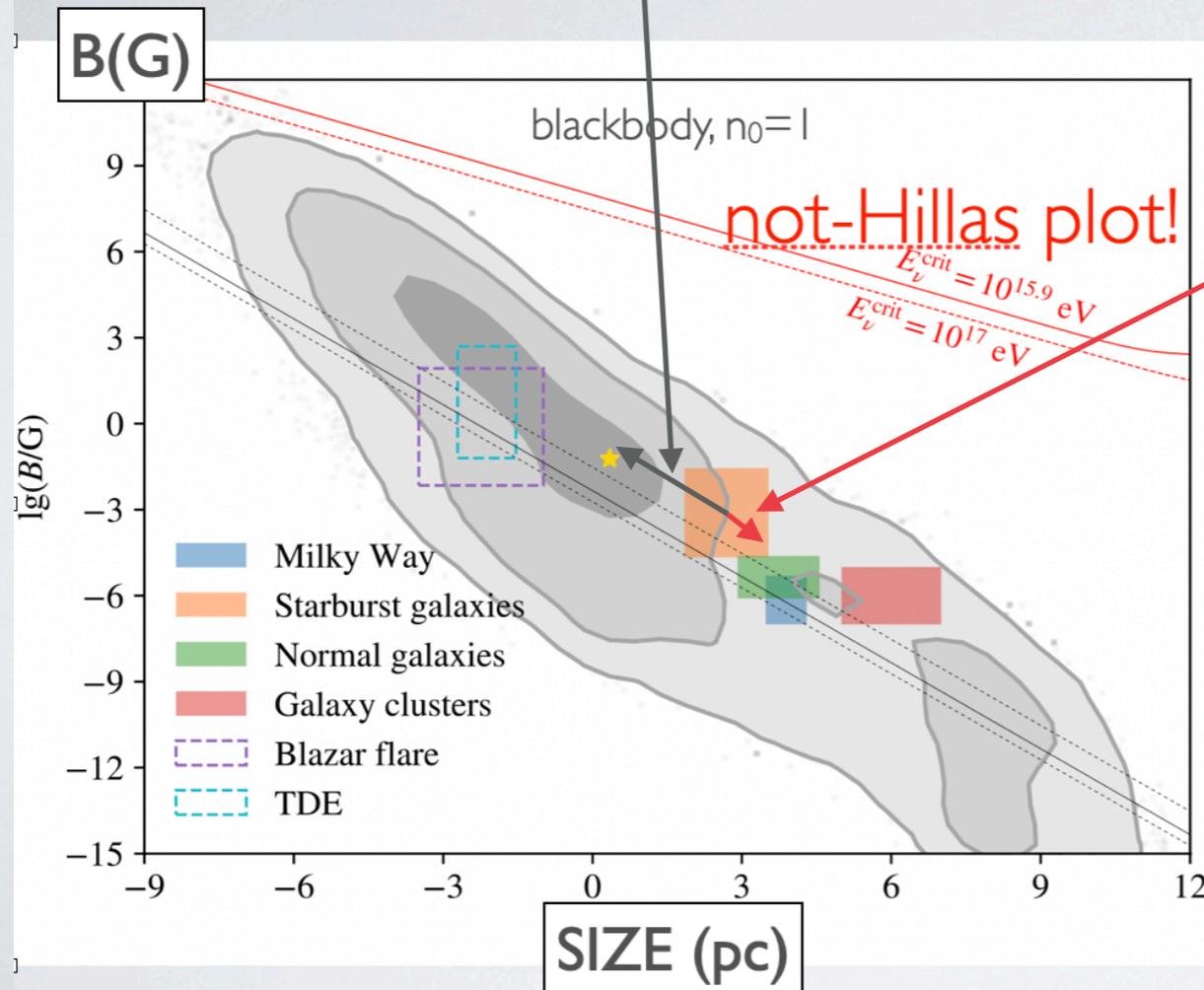
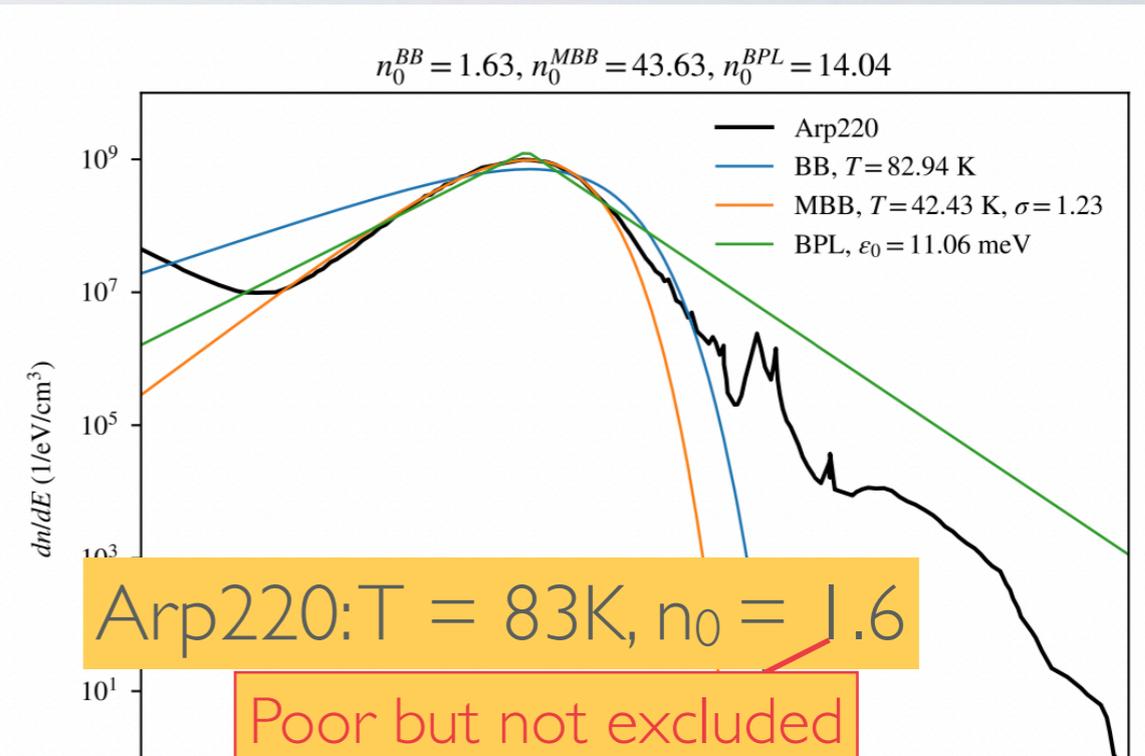
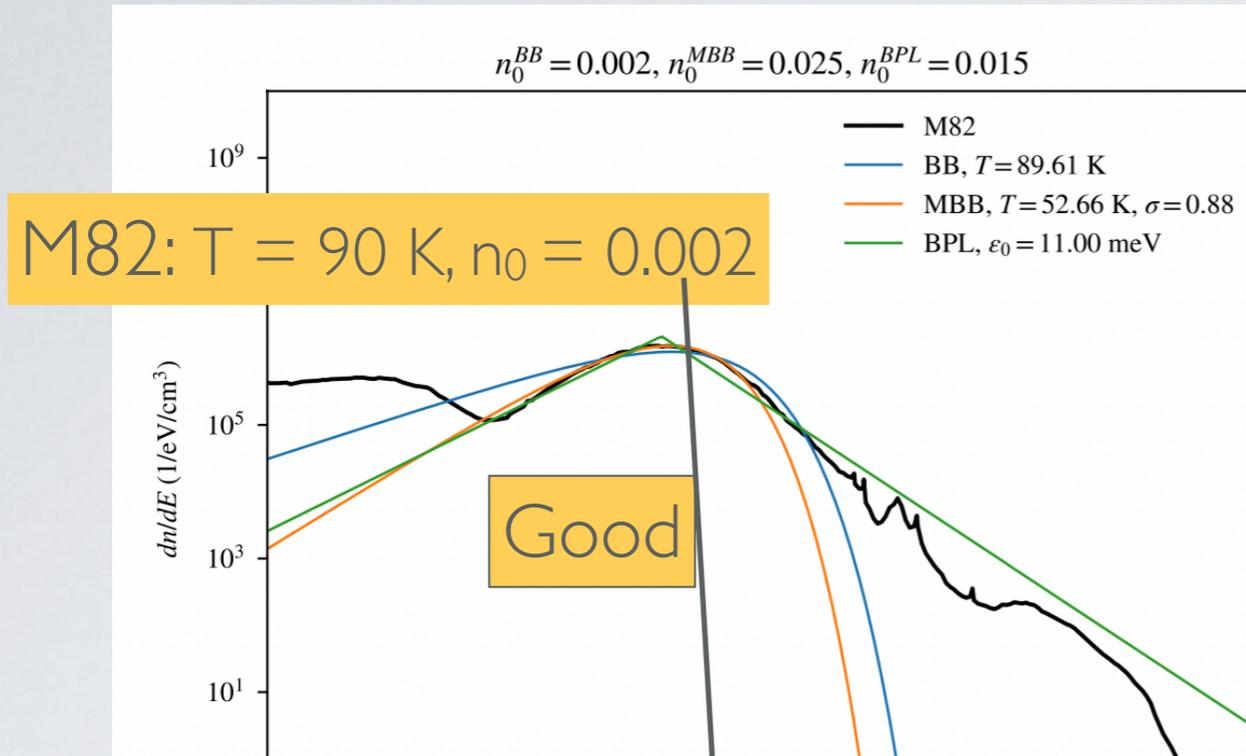
- ~~radio lobes~~ ($T \approx \text{few keV}$)
- ?internal shocks in jet? likely problematic; must also account for boost
- inner AGN disk: maybe ok ($T=60-1000 \text{ K}$)
 - but nearby dangerous regions & must account boost



Massive Galaxy Clusters:
poor fit to UHECRs

Typical Starburst Galaxies are viable: both T and B & L

Muzio&GF arXiv:2209.08068. See also Condorelli+arXiv:2209.08593

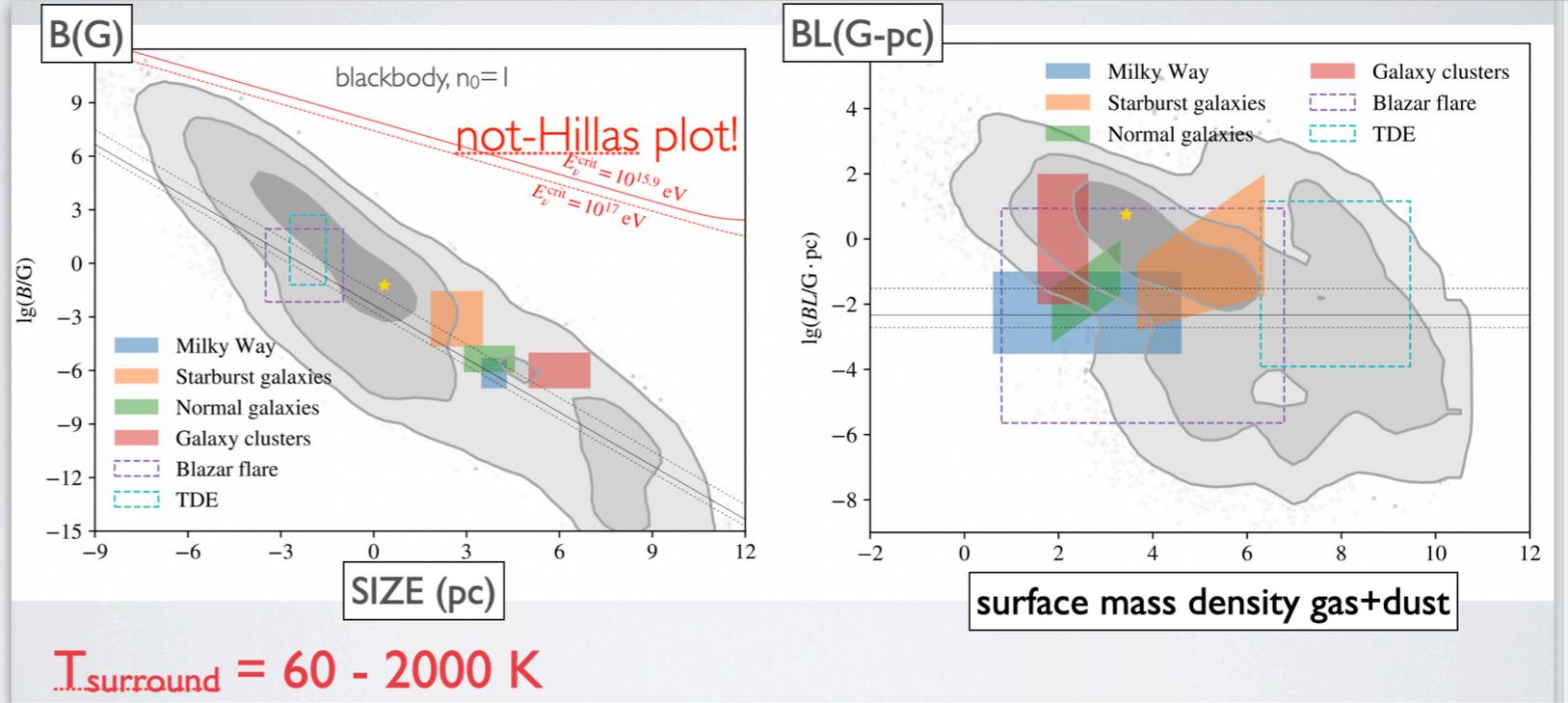


What if you don't believe UFA picture?

(disintegration \Rightarrow sub-ankle EGCRs)

- Need to invent explanation for magnitude of spectrum below ankle.
- Need to explain regularity of $E_p \sim 1/4 E_{\text{He}}$ (common accel: $1/2 E_{\text{He}}$).
- SOURCE ENVIRONMENT WILL (in general) STILL disintegrate UHECRs;
 - high T environment is especially dangerous
 - problem must be studied

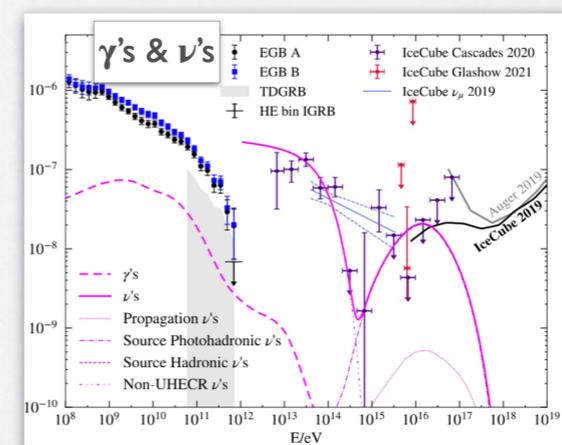
Summary



- **Composition & Spectrum of UHECRs + VHE ν** (upper limits) **constrain source environment:** B_{rms} , size, T , ... MF22
 - disfavors massive Galaxy Clusters and radio lobes of AGN
 - inner AGN disk maybe ok (n.b., boost); internal shocks in jets problematic(?)
 - typical starburst galaxies ok
 - to do: TDE's, GRBs, magnetars, ... (please make suggestions, lend ideas & wisdom!)
- **Accelerator spectral index is compatible with Diffusive Shock Accel.** MFU22, MF22

Multi-messenger: MFU22

- ✓ Predicted HE ν 's from UHECRs ($>$ few PeV) fit data
- ✓ GeV-TeV γ 's from UHECRs \ll observed
- VHE ν spectrum important for constraining sources



BACKUP SLIDES

“Imprint of Large scale structure on THE UHECR SKY”

Chen Ding, Noemie Globus, Glennys Farrar
New York University

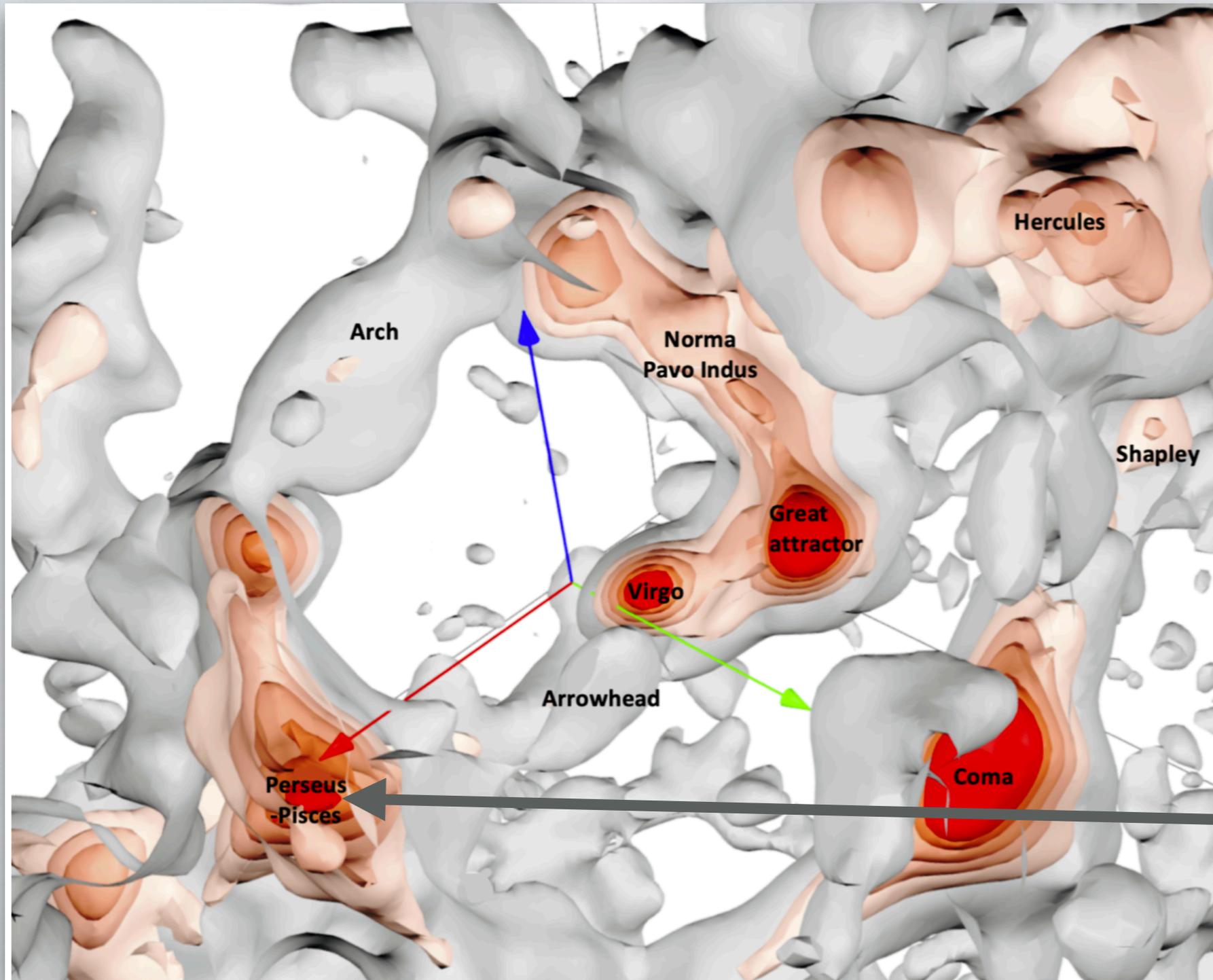
ApJ Letters 2021; arXiv [2101.04564](https://arxiv.org/abs/2101.04564) [astro-ph.HE]

DGF21 CONCLUSIONS

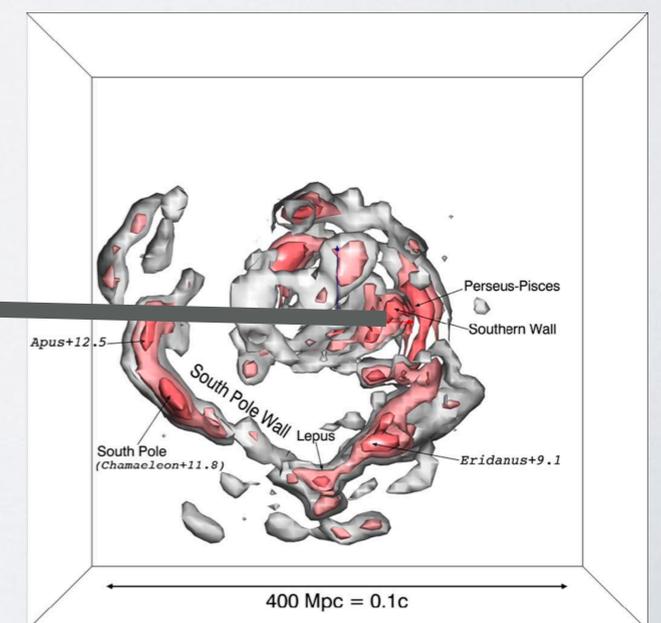
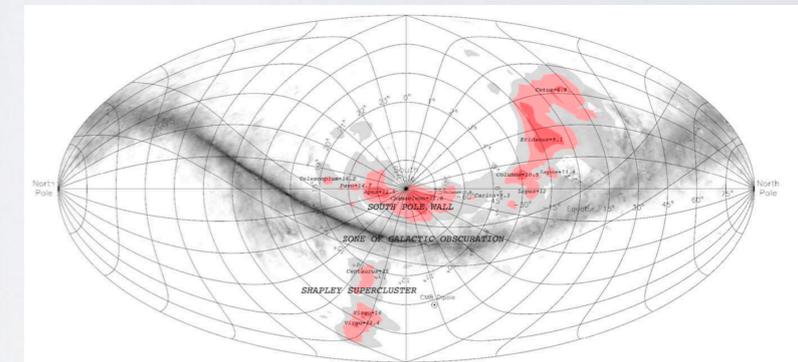
- Assumption that UHECR injection follows the large scale matter distribution explains Auger anisotropy measurements above 8 EeV.
 - ▶ *Rather than few prominent sources, there appear to be many weak ones.*
- Individual sources:
 - Auger hotspot may be from LSS (conclusion very sensitive to composition)
 - TA hotspot \Leftrightarrow nearby (e.g., transient) source like a TDE (in M82?)
- *Pure proton composition can be ruled out on anisotropy grounds alone.*
- EGMF has insignificant effect
- Composition inhomogeneities from LSS small \Rightarrow composition will help isolate individual sources

Source distribution \Leftrightarrow local matter distribution

DGF 21 uses Hoffmann+18 *Cosmicflows-2*



Pomereade+20 discovered South Pole Wall @ ~160 Mpc
Cosmicflows-3 under development

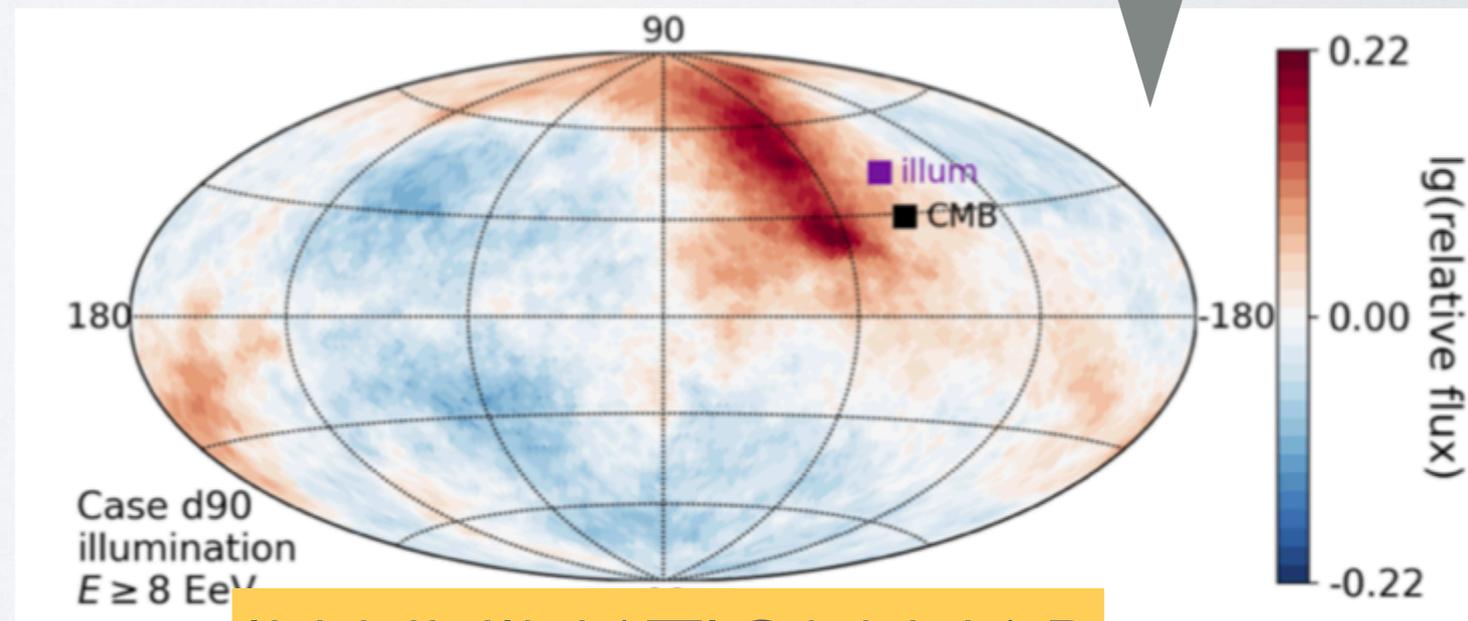
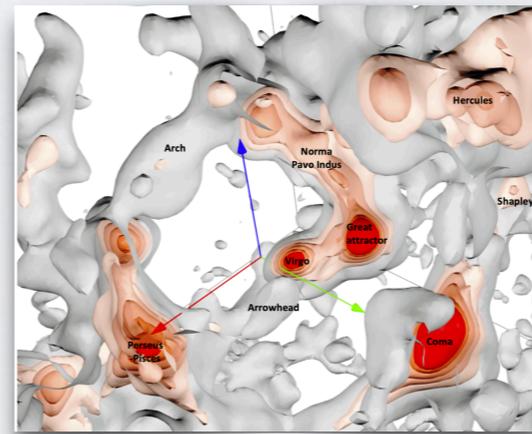
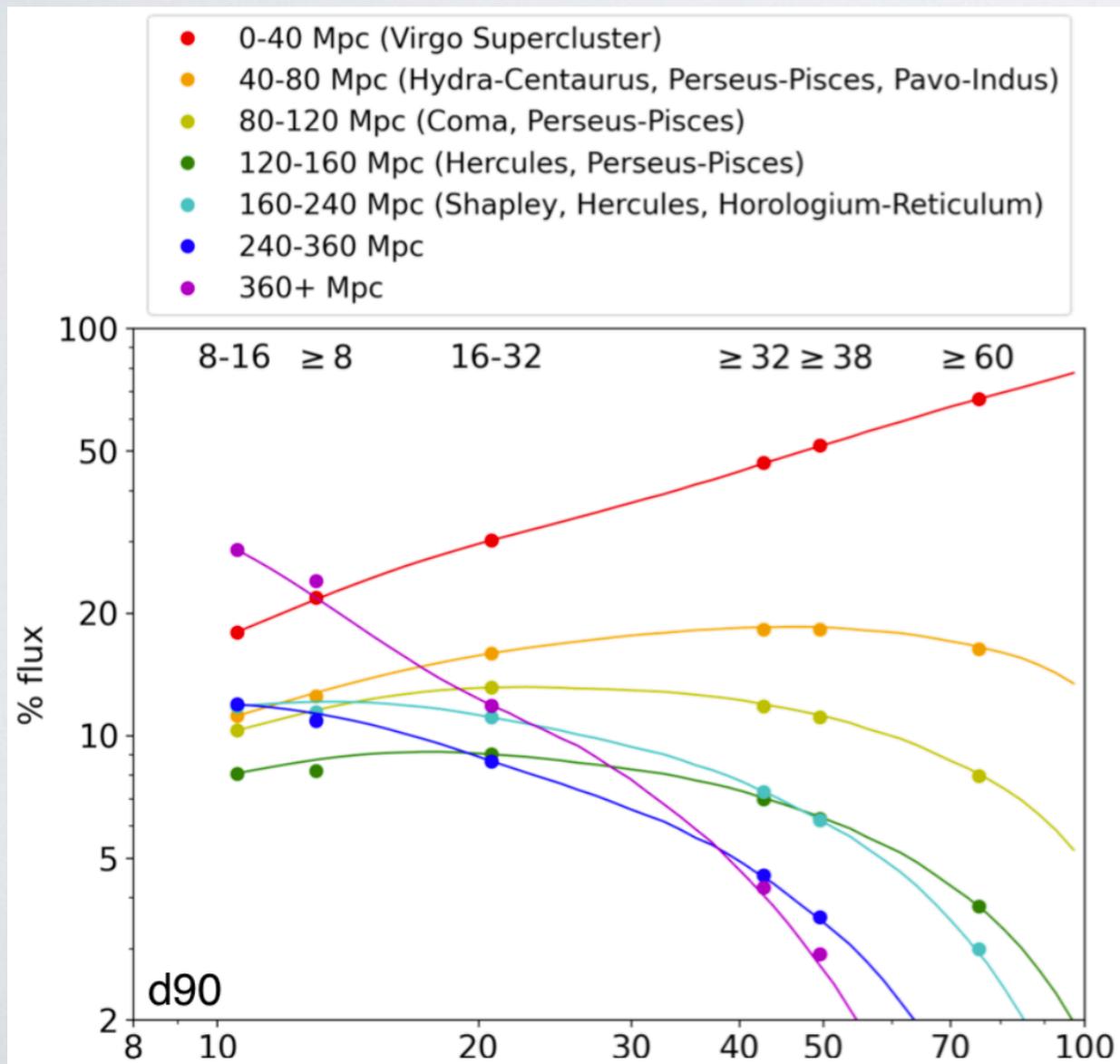


DGF: “Continuum” model

- Source distribution \Leftrightarrow matter distribution
- Extragalactic propagation: energy losses, possible magnetic diffusion (EGMF turns out to have negligible impact)
- Galactic propagation: JF12 field model with adjustable coherence length (1.8B GF-Sutherland trajectories)

ILLUMINATION MAP

(EGMF diffusion is insignificant. Fit result: $B_{EG} = 0.3-0.5$ nG)

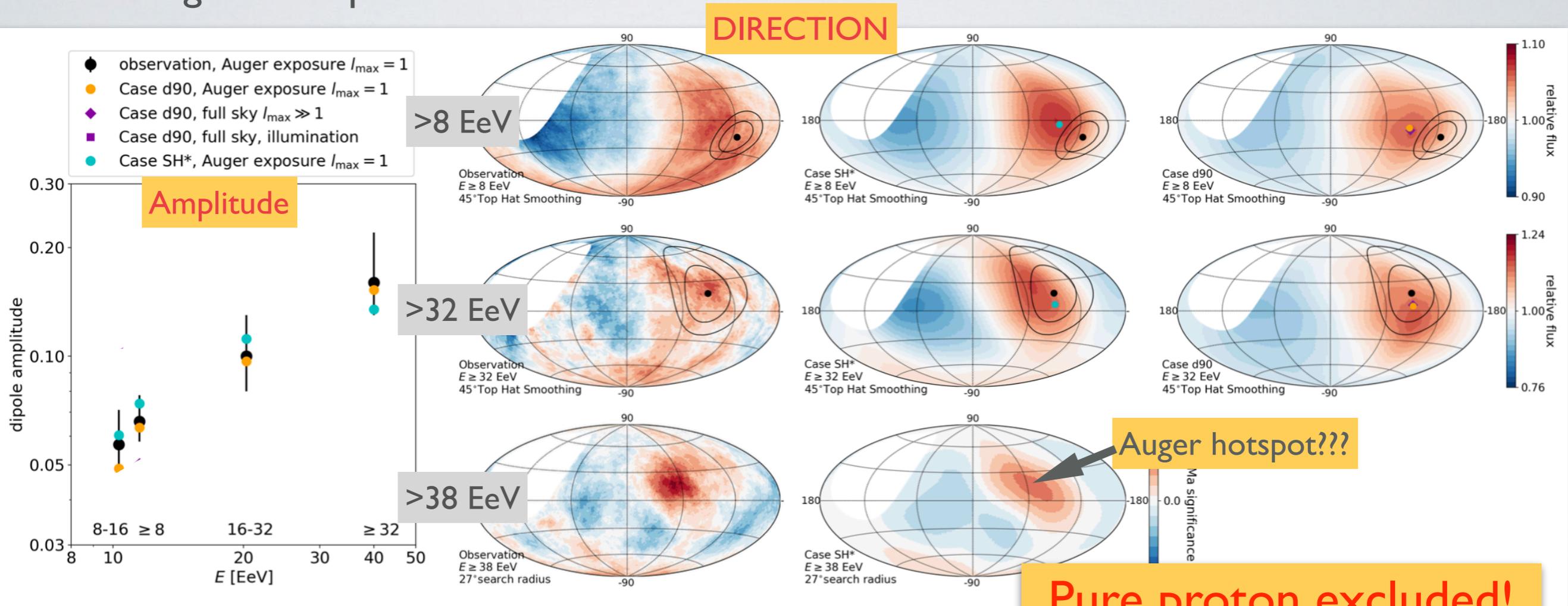


ILLUMINATION MAP

★ ★ Dipole Amplitude & Energy dependence

★ Dipole Direction

? Auger's hotspot



Pure proton excluded!
wrong direction & amp

GOOD FIT TO COMPOSITION

