

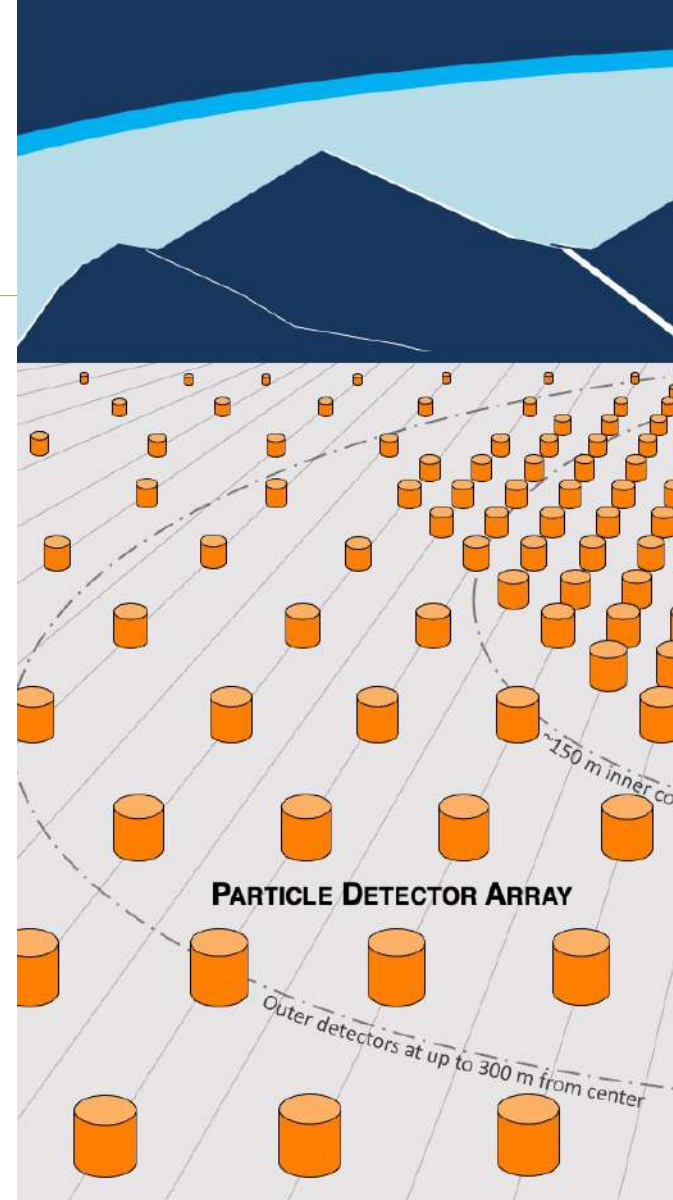
# Outlook on Astro-particle Physics

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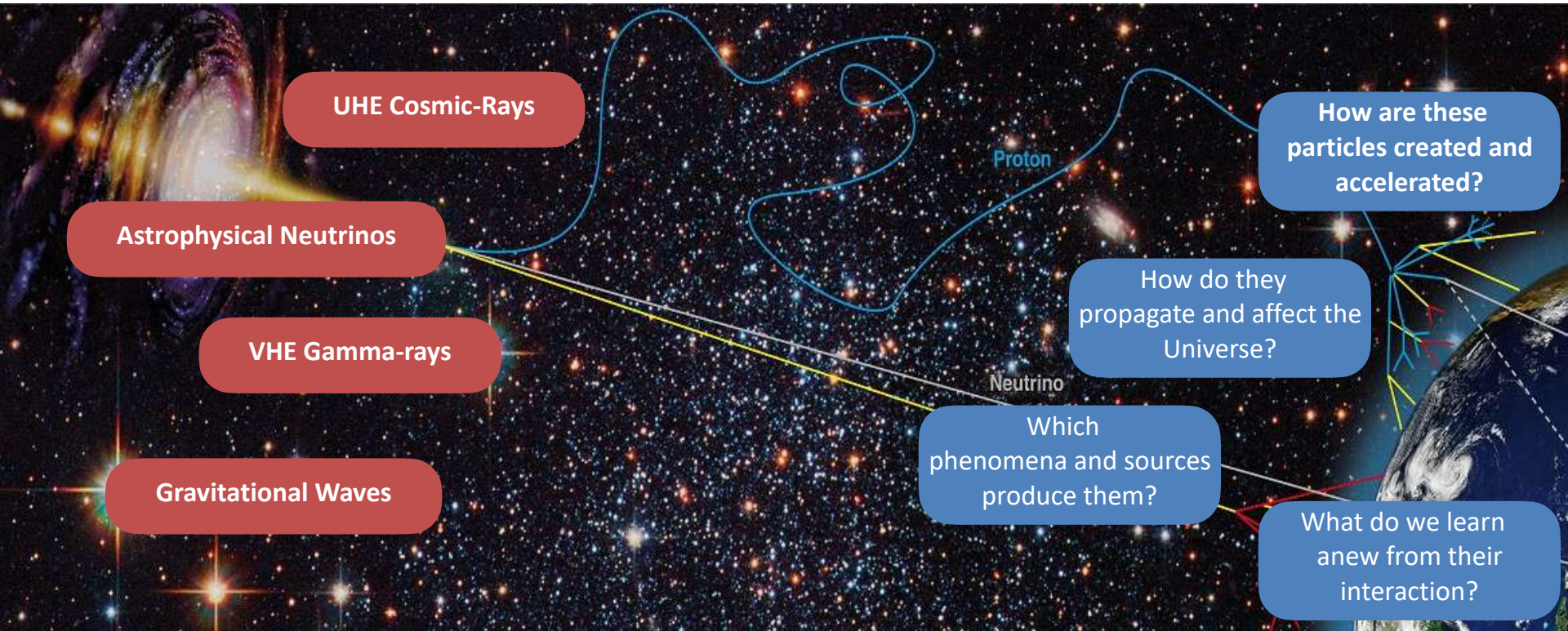
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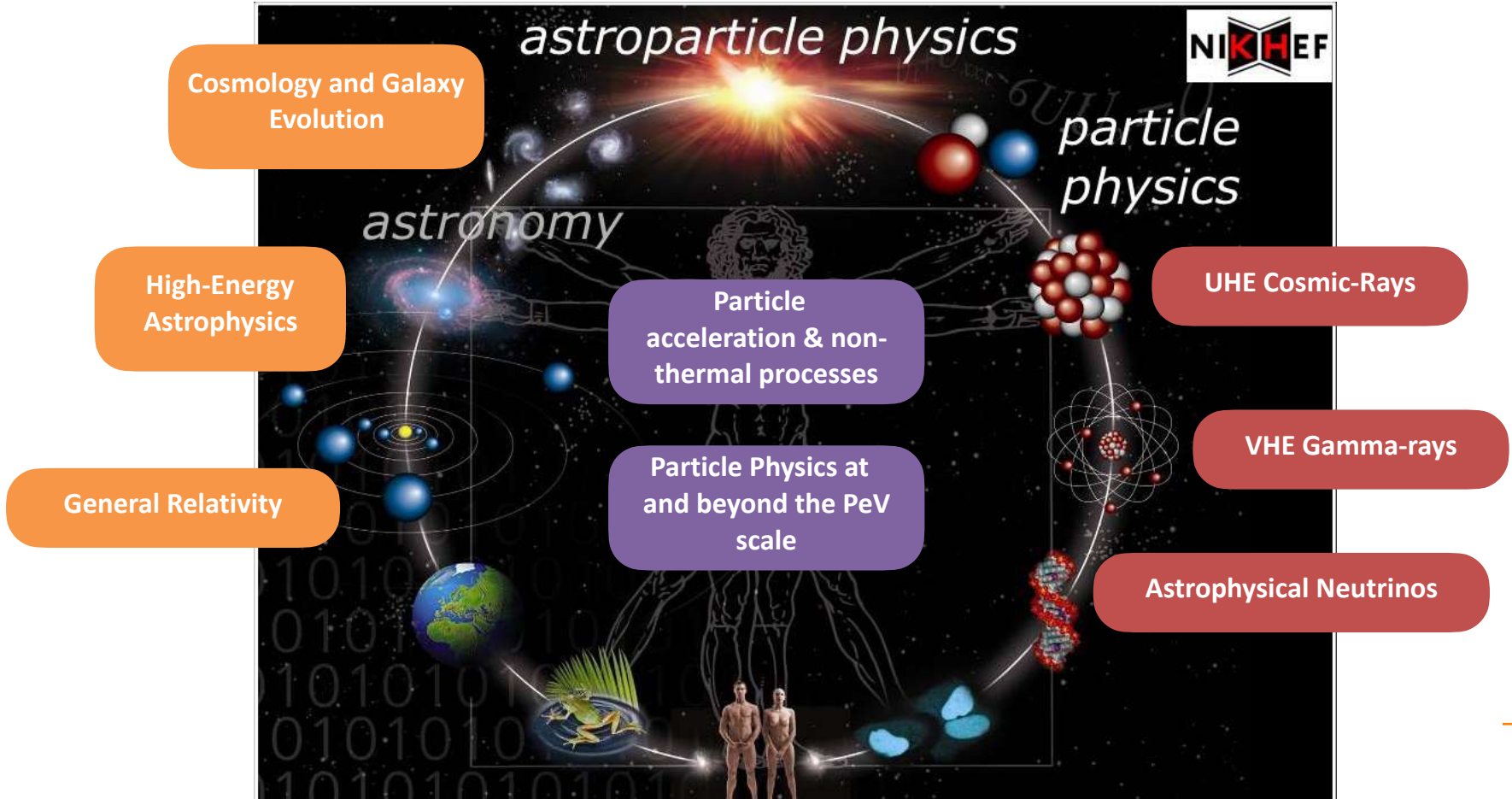




# Messengers and Messages



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# Astroparticle Physics: multi-messenger scenario



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**Astronomy with photons**

**Charged cosmic-ray physics: p, e-, He, Fe, ...**

**Neutrino signals**

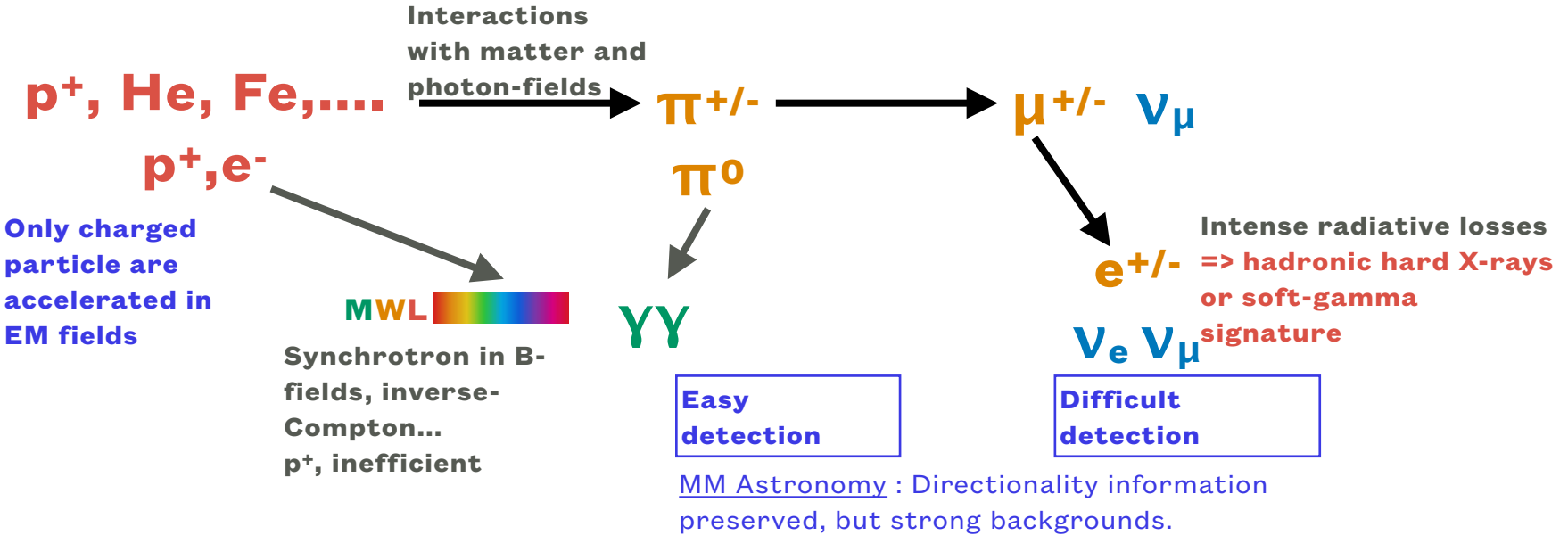
All messengers are interconnected and relate back to the same sources: multi-messenger astrophysics

**GRAVITATIONAL WAVES? PROBES OF COMPACT SOURCES**

# Connecting the Messengers



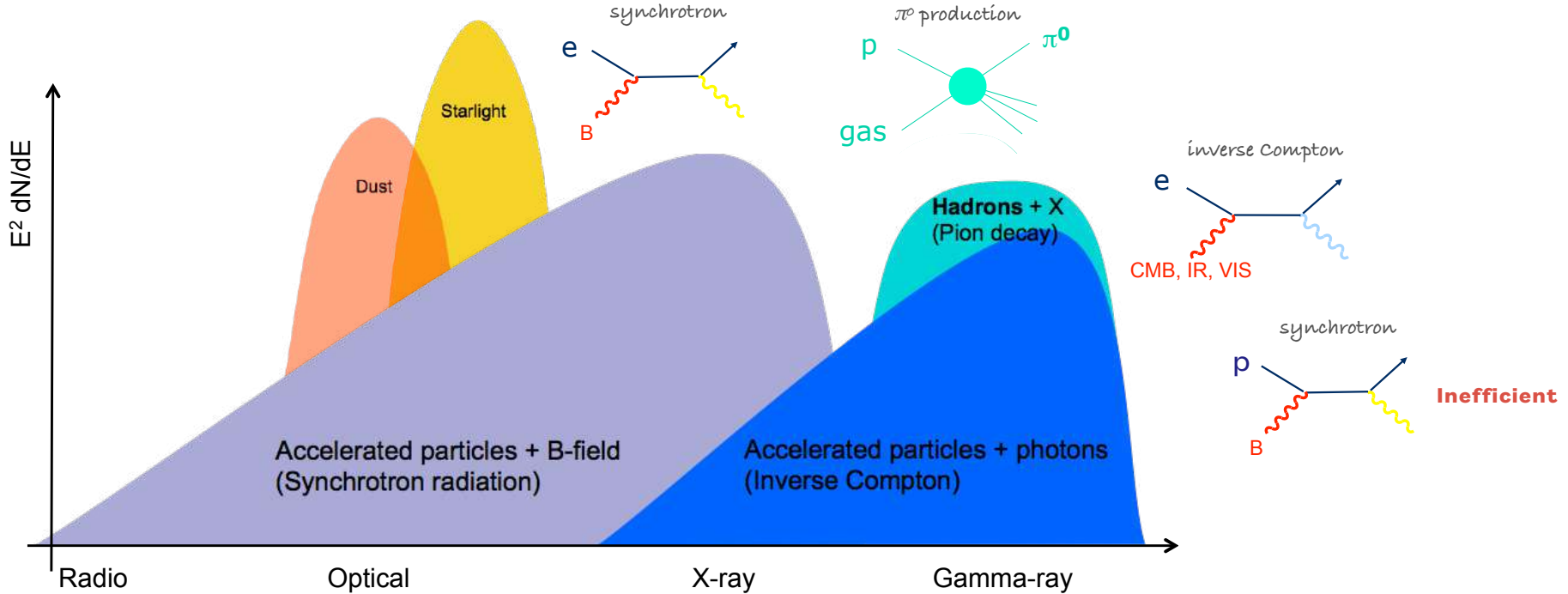
All messengers are connected and relate back to the same sources: **logic behind the multi-messenger astrophysics**



**Gamma-rays are the cornerstone of multi-messenger astrophysics**

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# The multi-band view of Astrophysical Sources

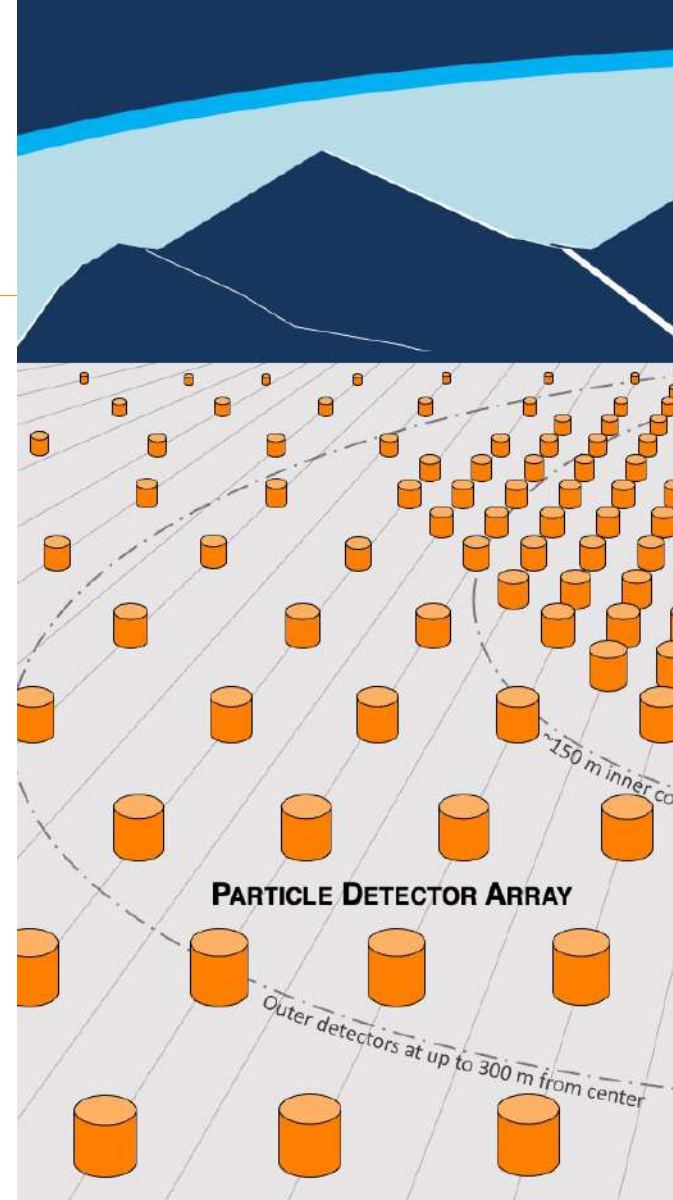


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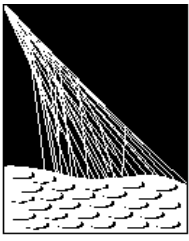


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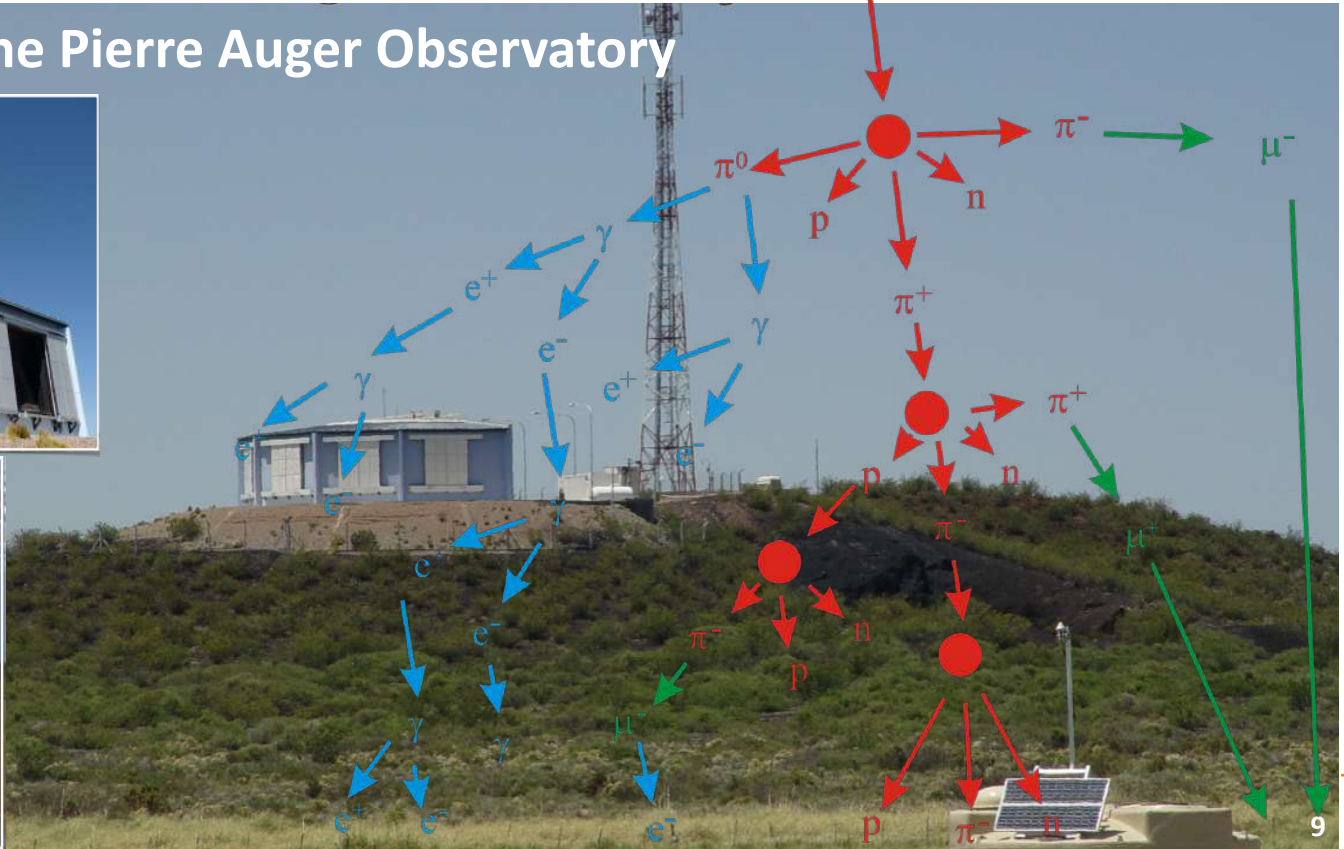
PIERRE  
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OBSERVATORY

# Ultra-high-energy Cosmic rays

$h \sim 35 \text{ km}$

$E = 10^{15} \text{ eV}$

## The Pierre Auger Observatory

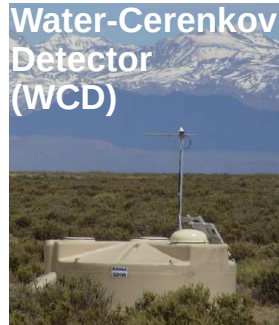


# The Pierre Auger Collaboration & Observatory

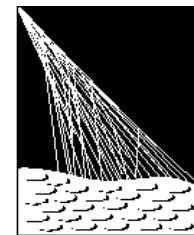
>400 scientists, technicians from  
18 countries (82 institutions):



## Multiple Particle-Physics Technology and Continuous Development

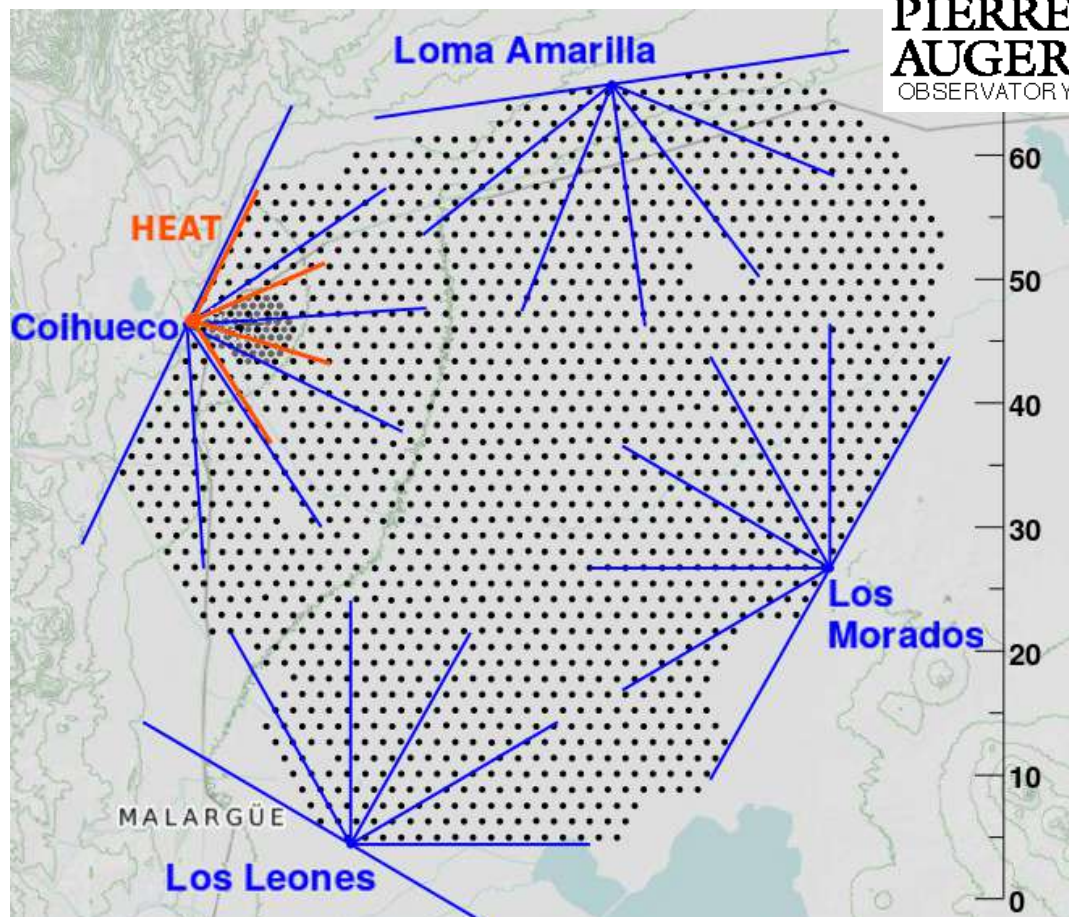
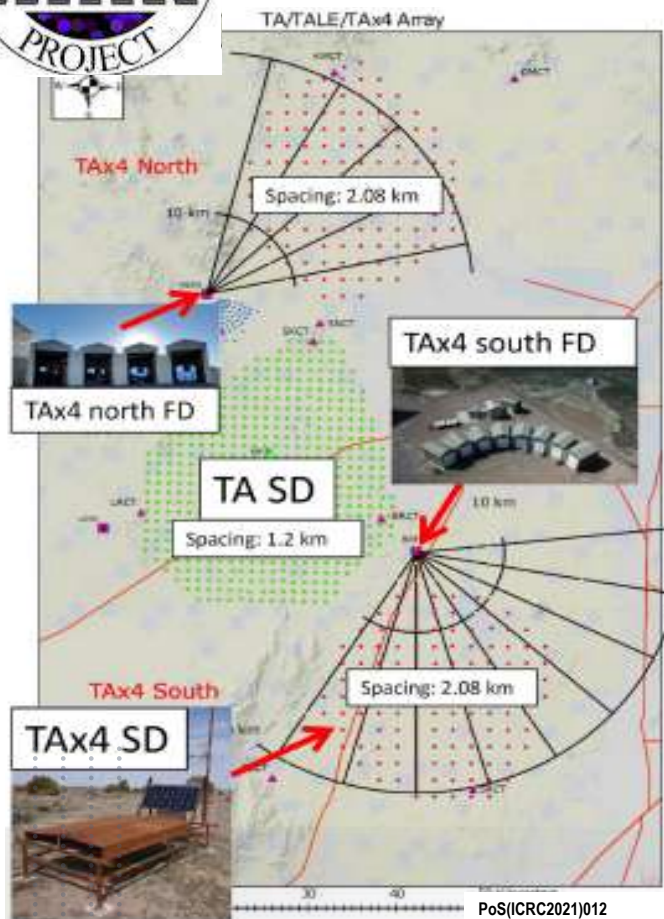


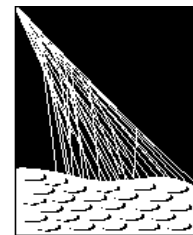




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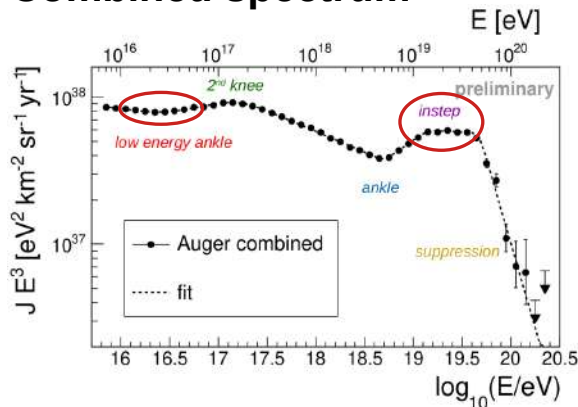
# Ultra-high-energy Cosmic rays





# Science Highlights

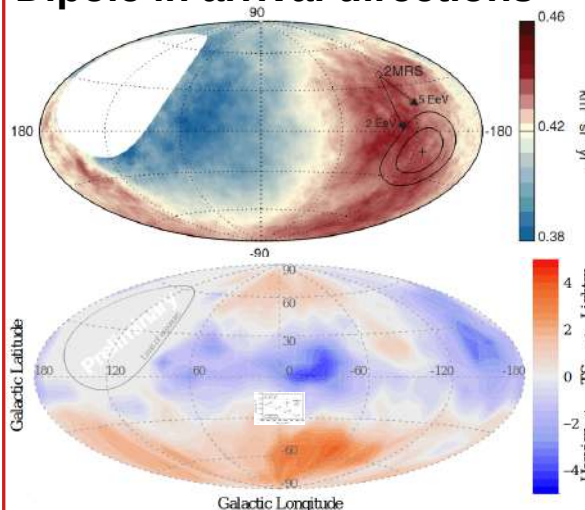
## Combined spectrum



Features never seen before

New questions about the origin of these new features

## Dipole in arrival directions



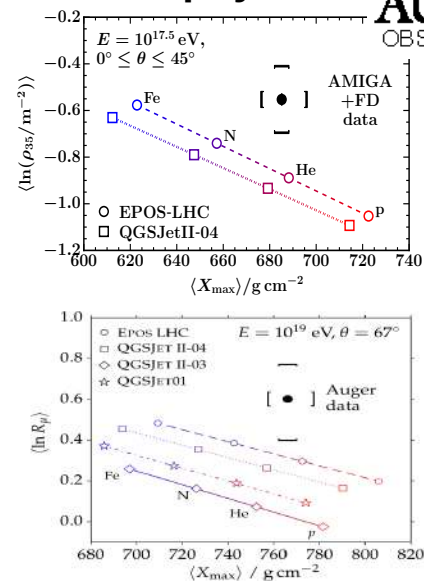
Dipole above 8 EeV suggesting extra-Galactic origin

Lighter elements from out the galactic plane (charge particle astronomy)

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## Hadronic physics



Muons observed in air showers are not reproduced by hadronic models tuned after LHC data.

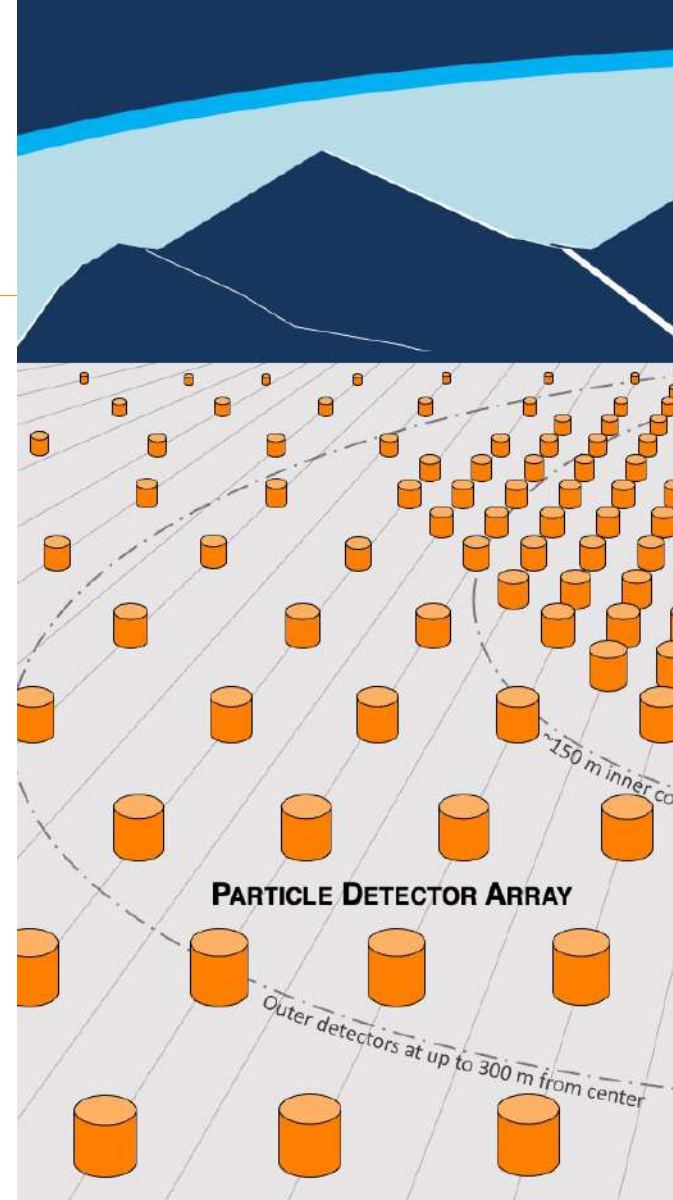
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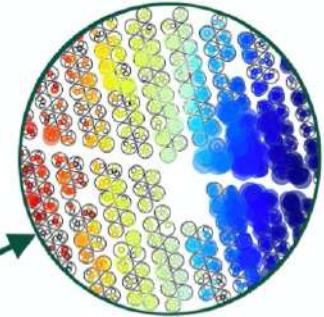


# Status of ground-based gamma-rays

## Two techniques

- 1. Air-Cherenkov telescopes
- 2. Altitude particle arrays

High Duty Cycle  
Wide-Field of View  
UHE Performance

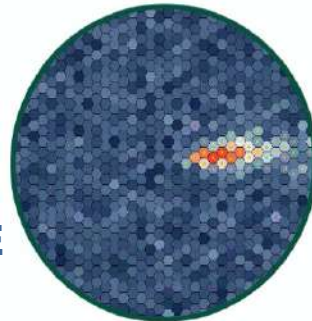


Few ns spread in  
particle arrival at  
each detector

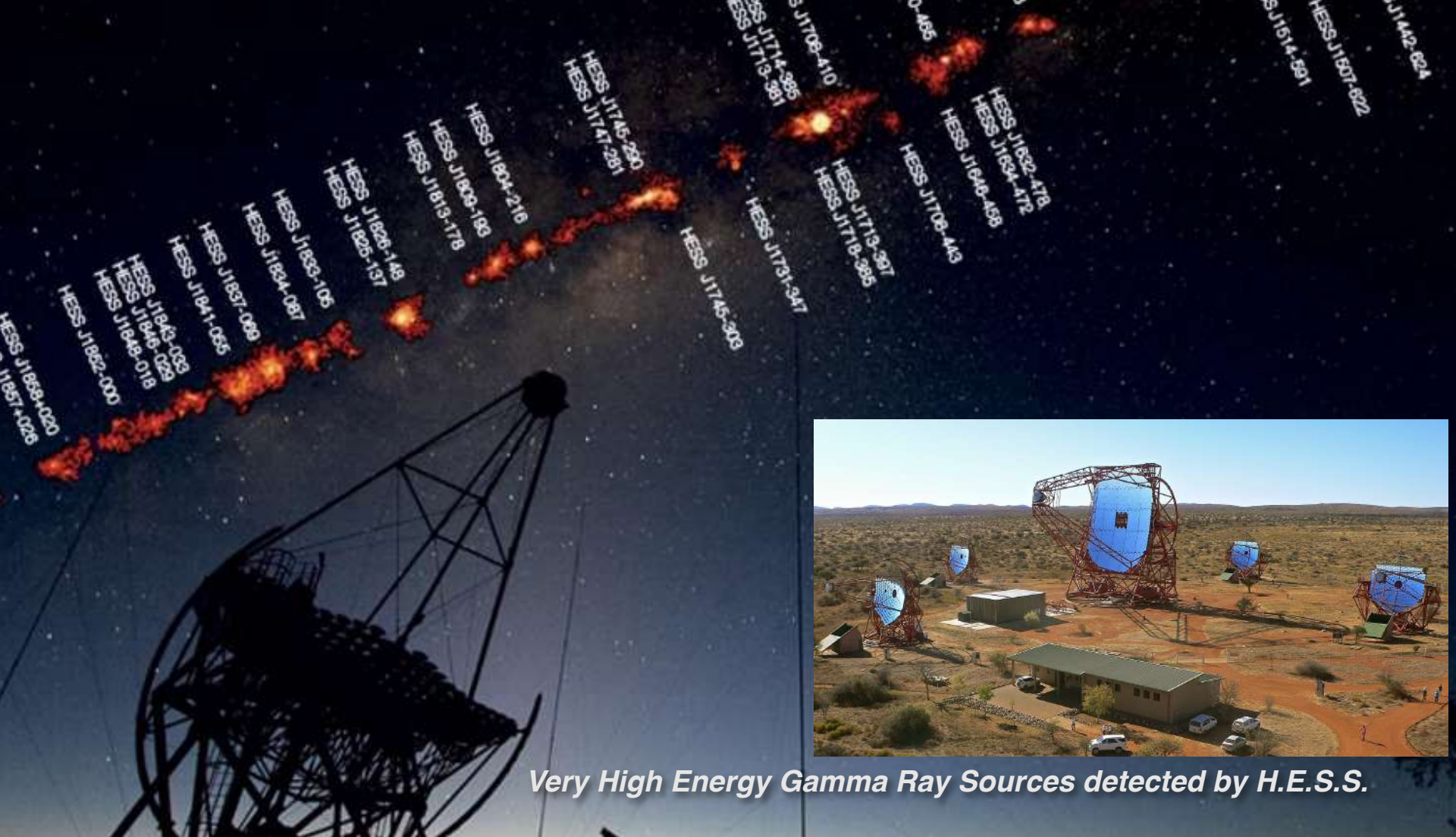
Electro-  
Magnetic  
Cascade

Few ns light flash

Cherenkov  
Light



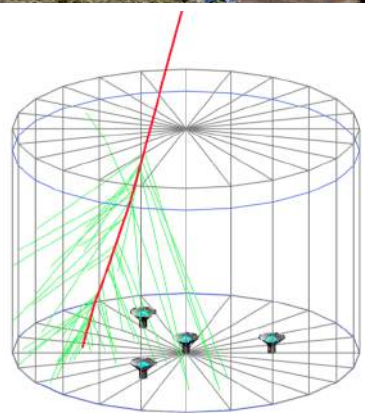
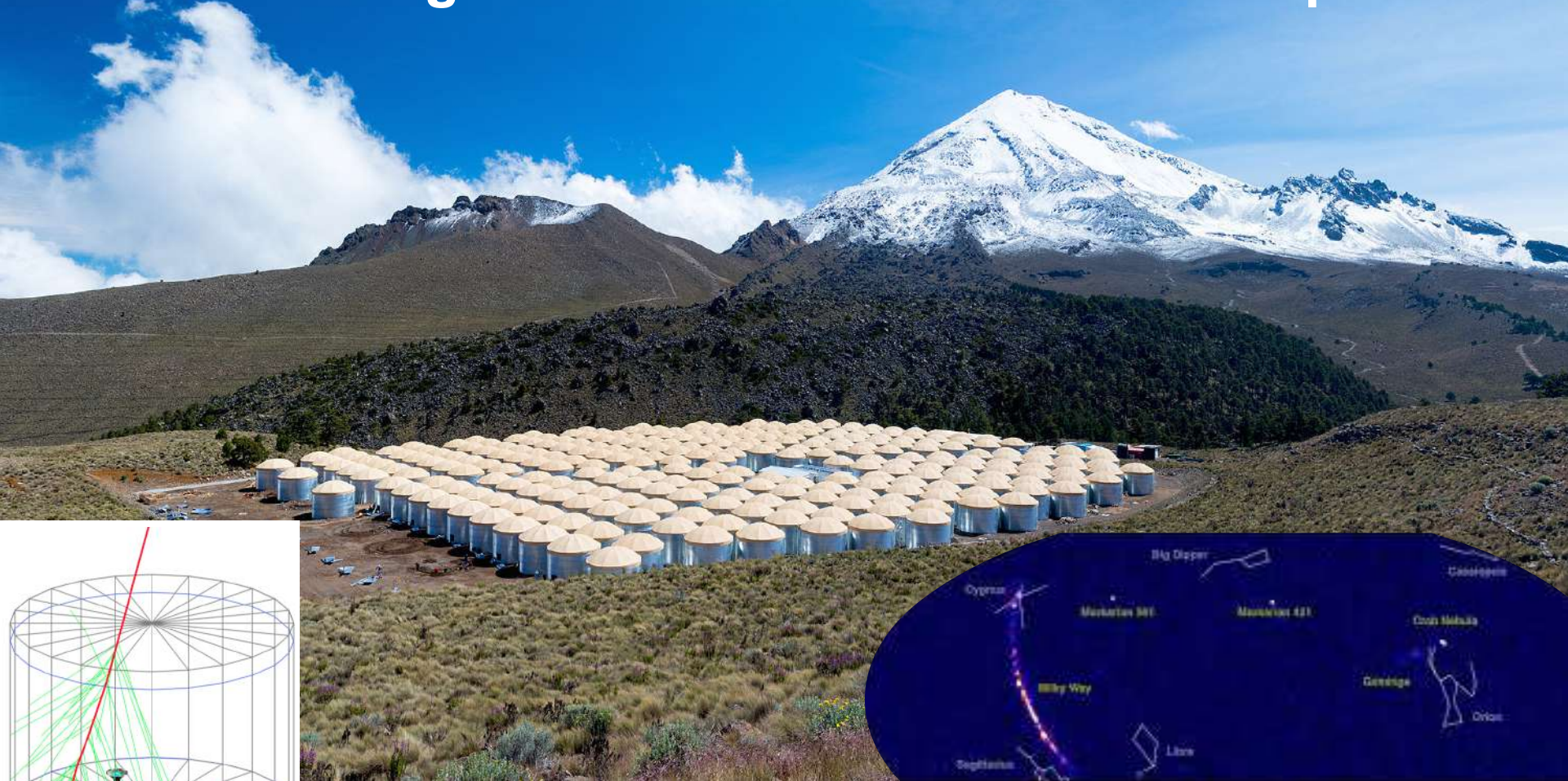
Low Duty Cycle  
Pointing instruments  
Precision Astronomy at VHE



*Very High Energy Gamma Ray Sources detected by H.E.S.S.*



# HAWC - The High-Altitude Water Cherenkov Experiment







## A new window into the UHE sky

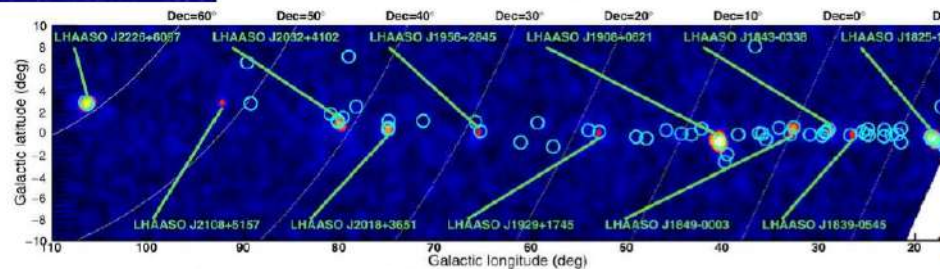
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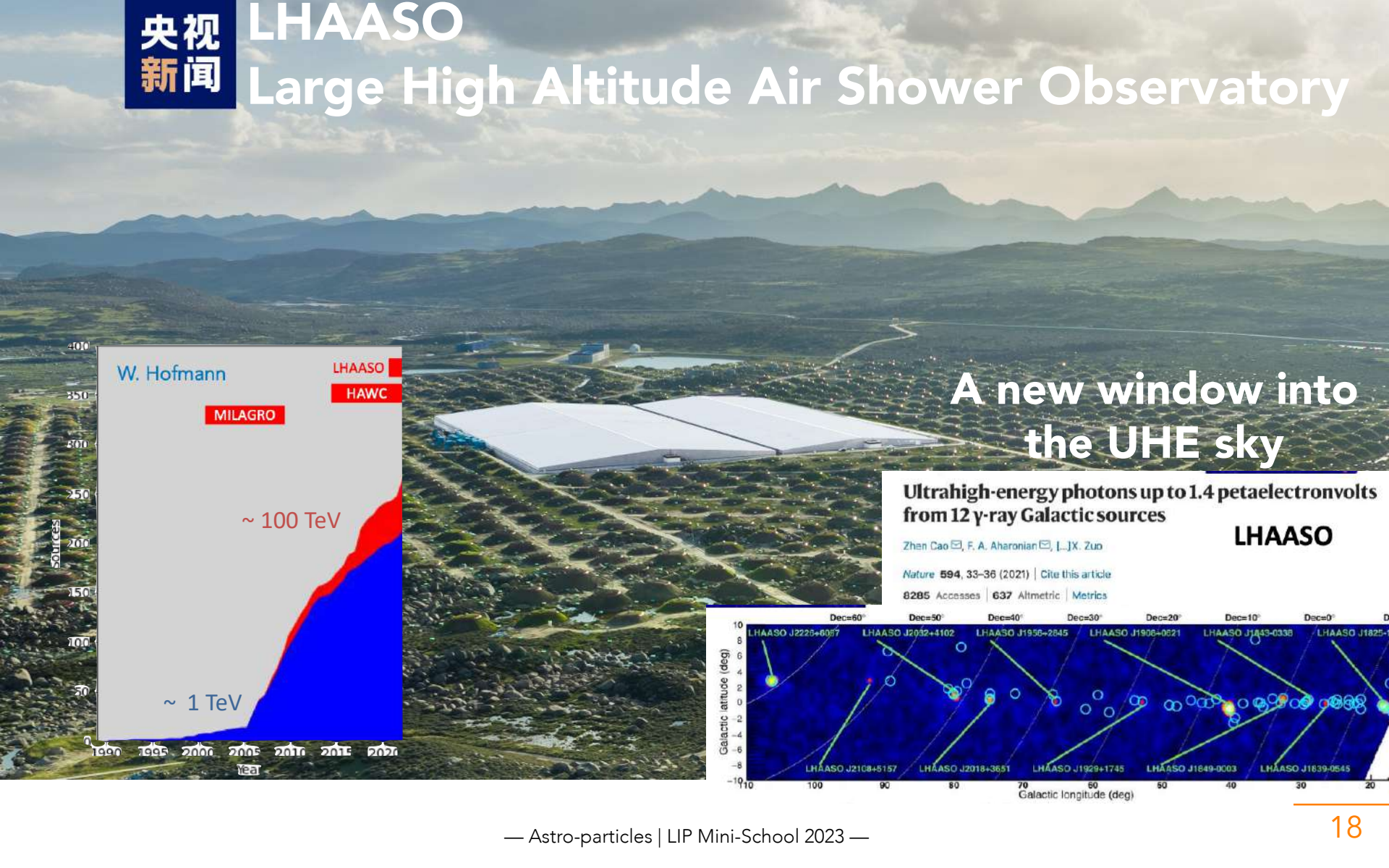
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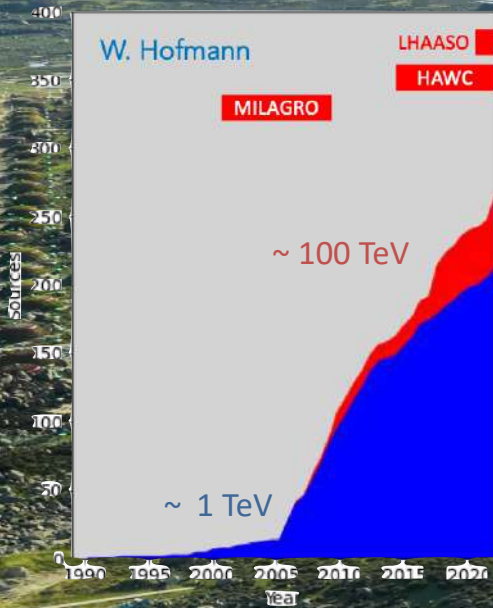
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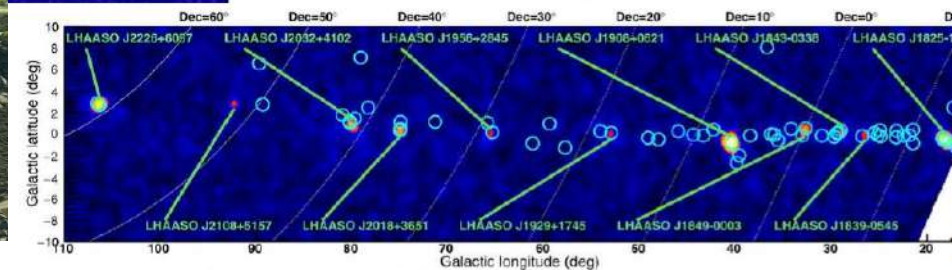
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### LHAASO



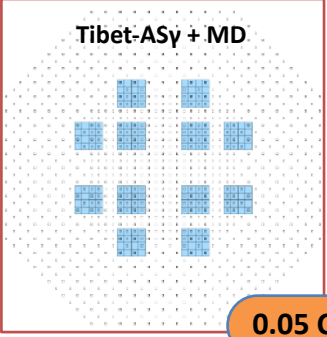
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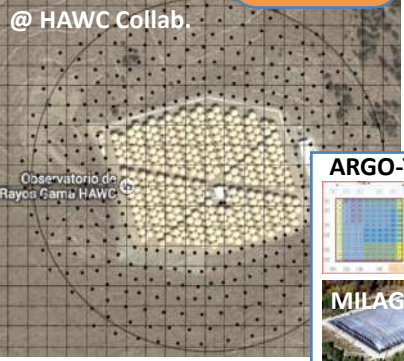
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# Ground-based Gamma-ray Astronomy Network

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HAWC

MAGIC



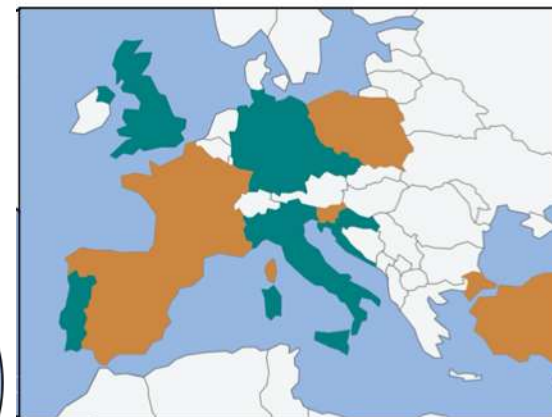
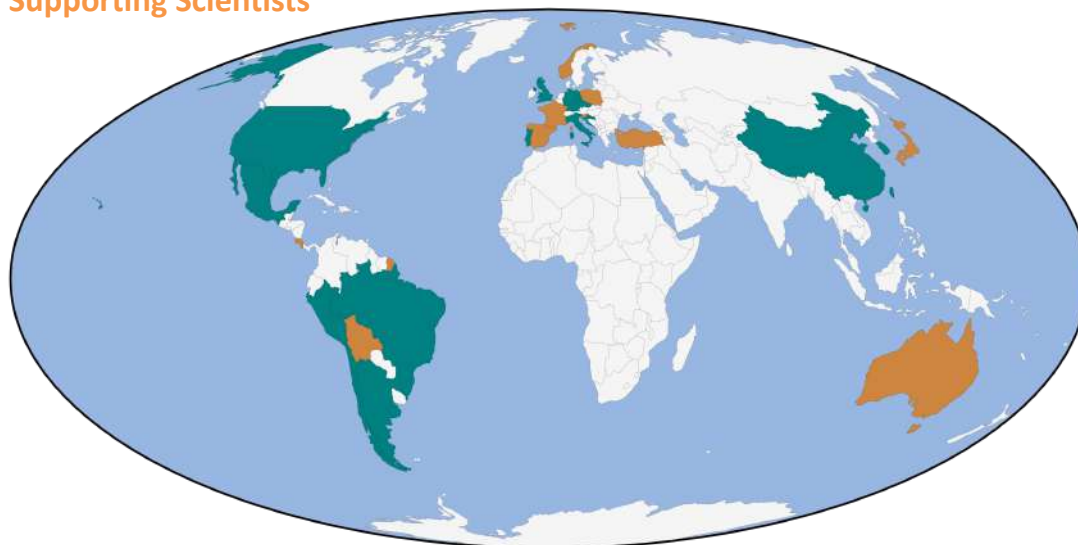
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# SWGGO Collaboration

Member Institutes

Supporting Scientists



## SWGGO partners

- 14 countries, 66 institutes, c. 200 scientists\*
- + supporting scientists

Argentina	Italy
Brazil	Mexico
Chile	Peru
China	Portugal
Croatia	South Korea
Czech Republic	United Kingdom
Germany	United States

# A Wide-field Gamma-ray Observatory in the South

Bolivia 4.7k

Chile 4.8 k

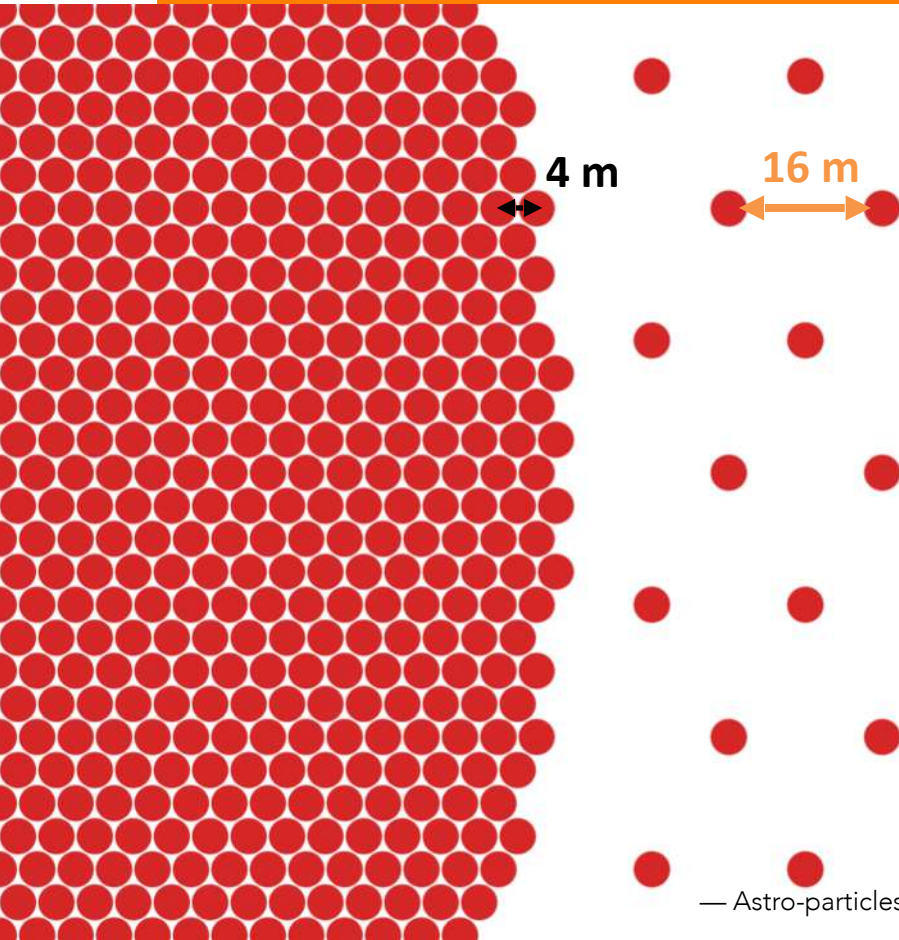


Argentina 4.8 k

Peru 4.9 k



# The baseline detector concept

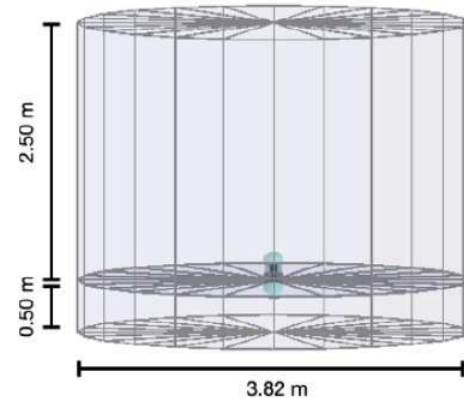


**Core:**  $\varnothing$  320 m, FF = 80%  
5,700 WCD units

**Outer:**  $\varnothing$  600 m, FF = 5%  
880 WCD units

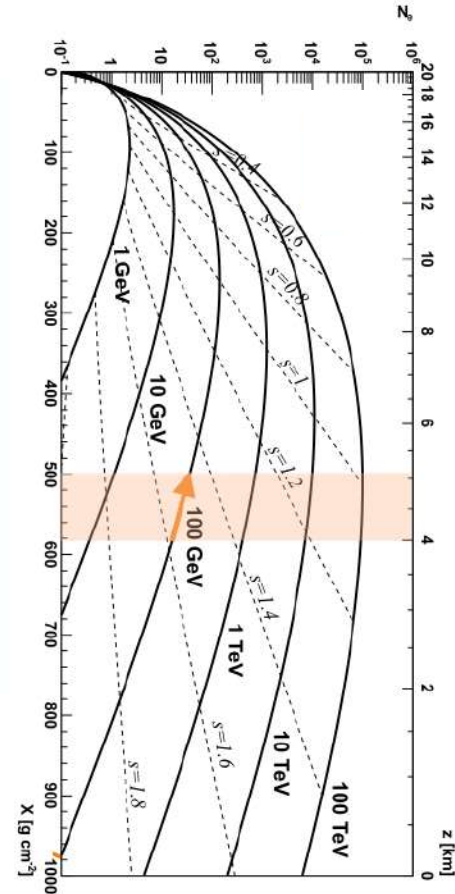
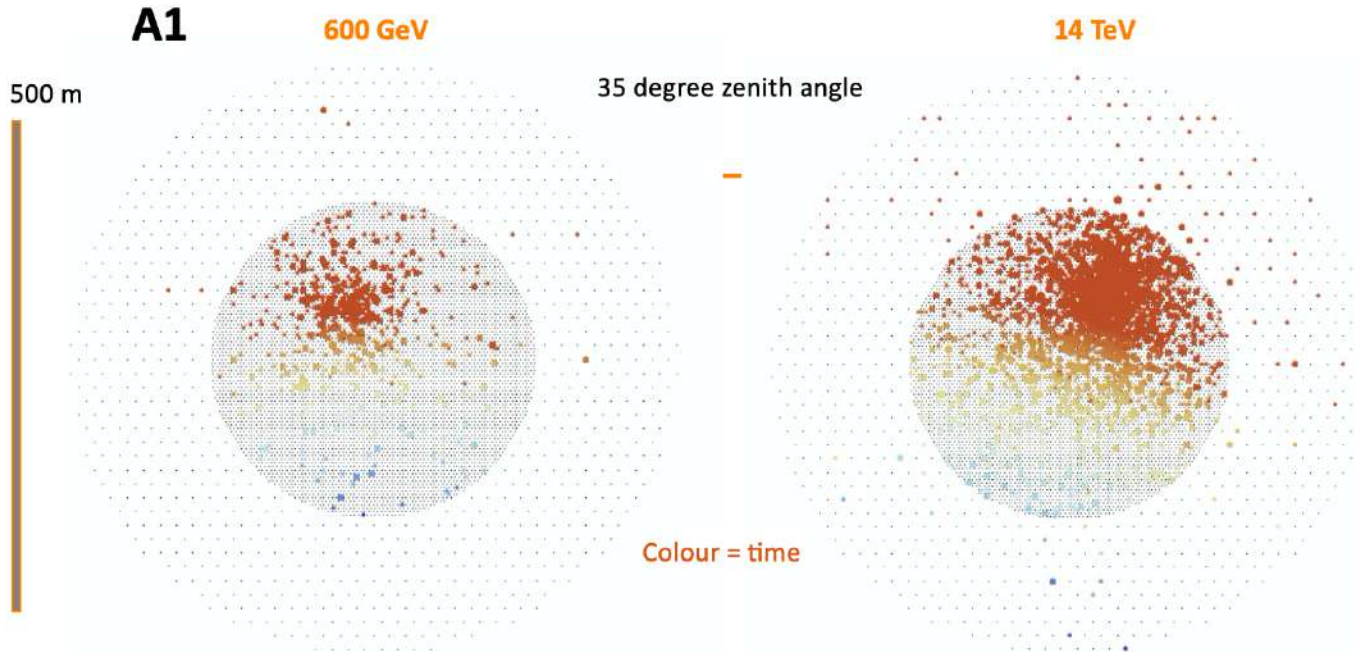
**Altitude:** 4,700 m a.s.l.

✧ muon counting





# SWGGO Baseline Requirements



- ◎ Large and dense detector array at high altitude
  - Very precise measurements possible below 1 TeV

# Status & Plan

## SWGO R&D Phase Milestones

✓	<b>M1</b>	R&D Phase Plan Established
✓	<b>M2</b>	Science Benchmarks Defined
✓	<b>M3</b>	Reference Configuration & Options Defined
→	<b>M4</b>	Site Shortlist Complete
✓	<b>M5</b>	Candidate Configurations Defined
→	<b>M6</b>	Performance of Candidate Configurations Evaluated
	<b>M7</b>	Preferred Site Identified
	<b>M8</b>	Design Finalised
	<b>M9</b>	Construction & Operation Proposal Complete

### ◎ R&D Phase

- Kick off meeting Oct 2019
- Expected completion 2024
  - ✓ Site and Design Choices made
- Then:

### ◎ Preparatory Phase

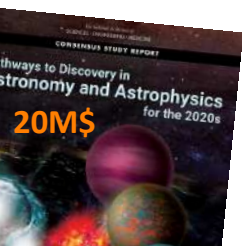
- Detailed construction planning
- **Engineering Array**

### ◎ (Full) Construction Phase

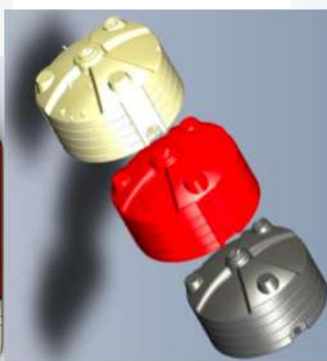
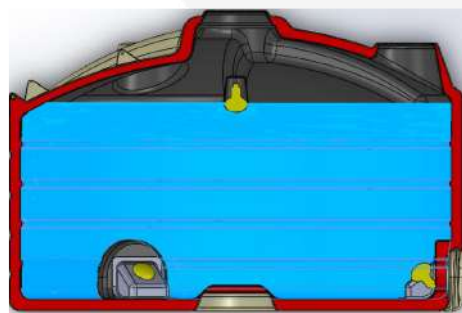
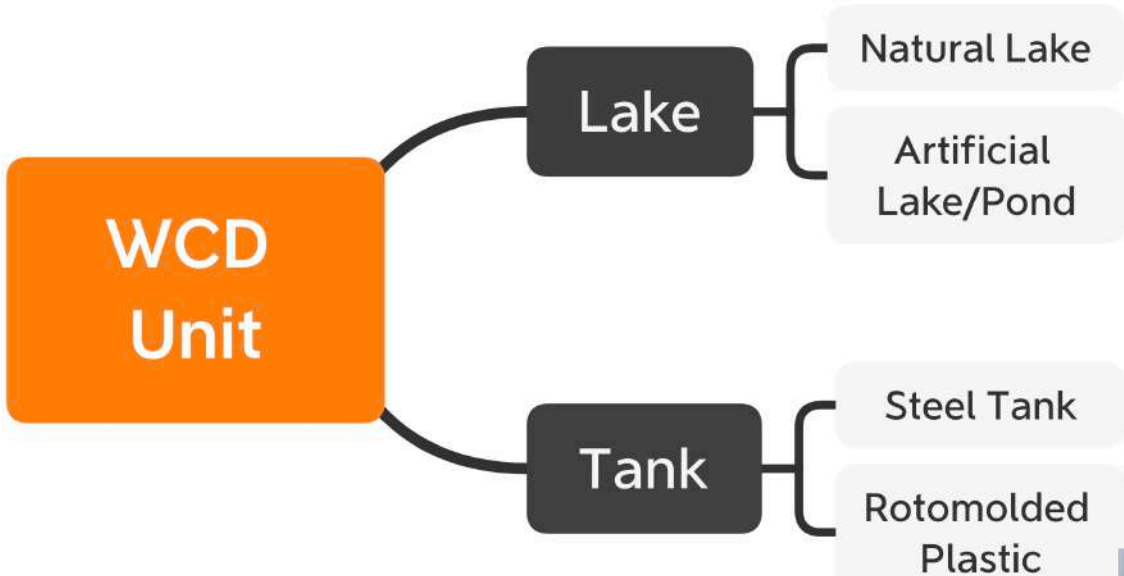
- 2026+

### ◎ Roadmaps

- US Decadal Review
- SNOWMASS, APPEC, Astronet

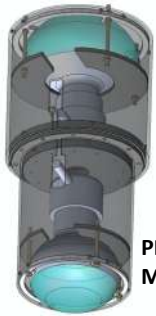


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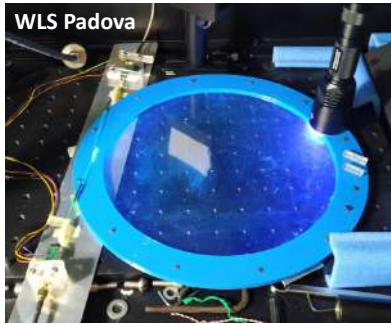




# More Detector Options and Prototyping



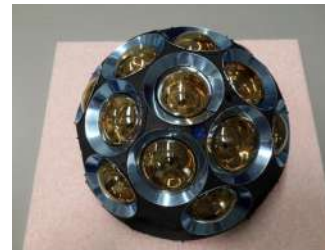
PMT module  
MPIK



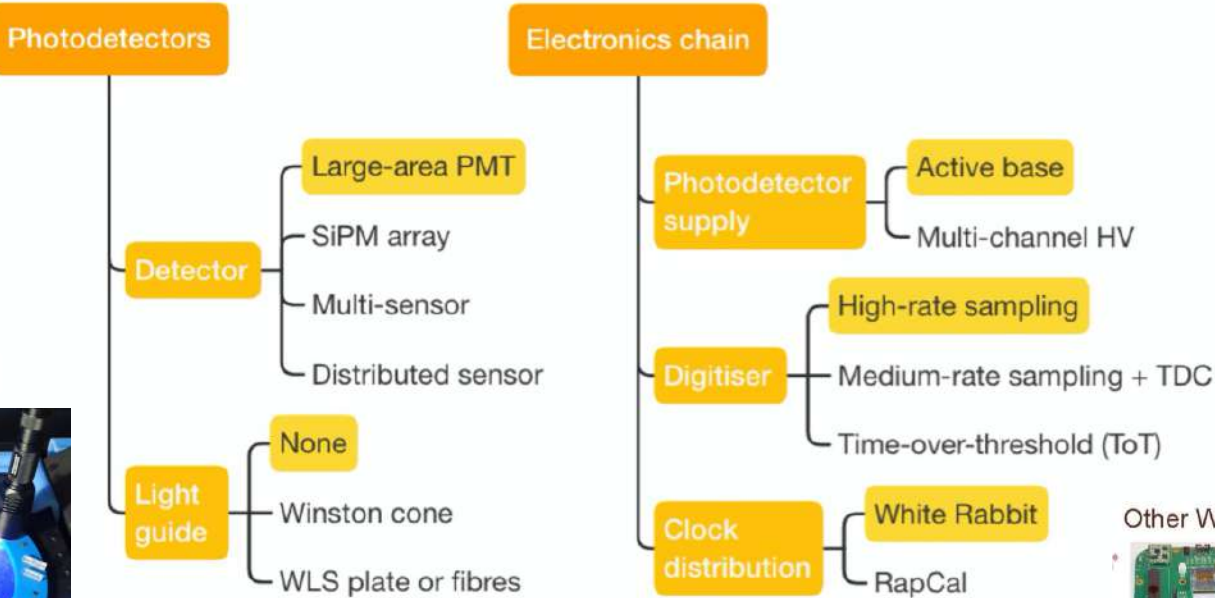
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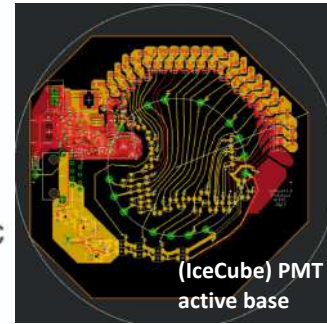
PMTs  
Naples



HyperK-style  
multi-PMT



HAWC  
Bladders



(IceCube) PMT  
active base

Other White Rabbit Node examples:



Central Logic Board (KM3NeT)



CUTE-WR (LHAASO)



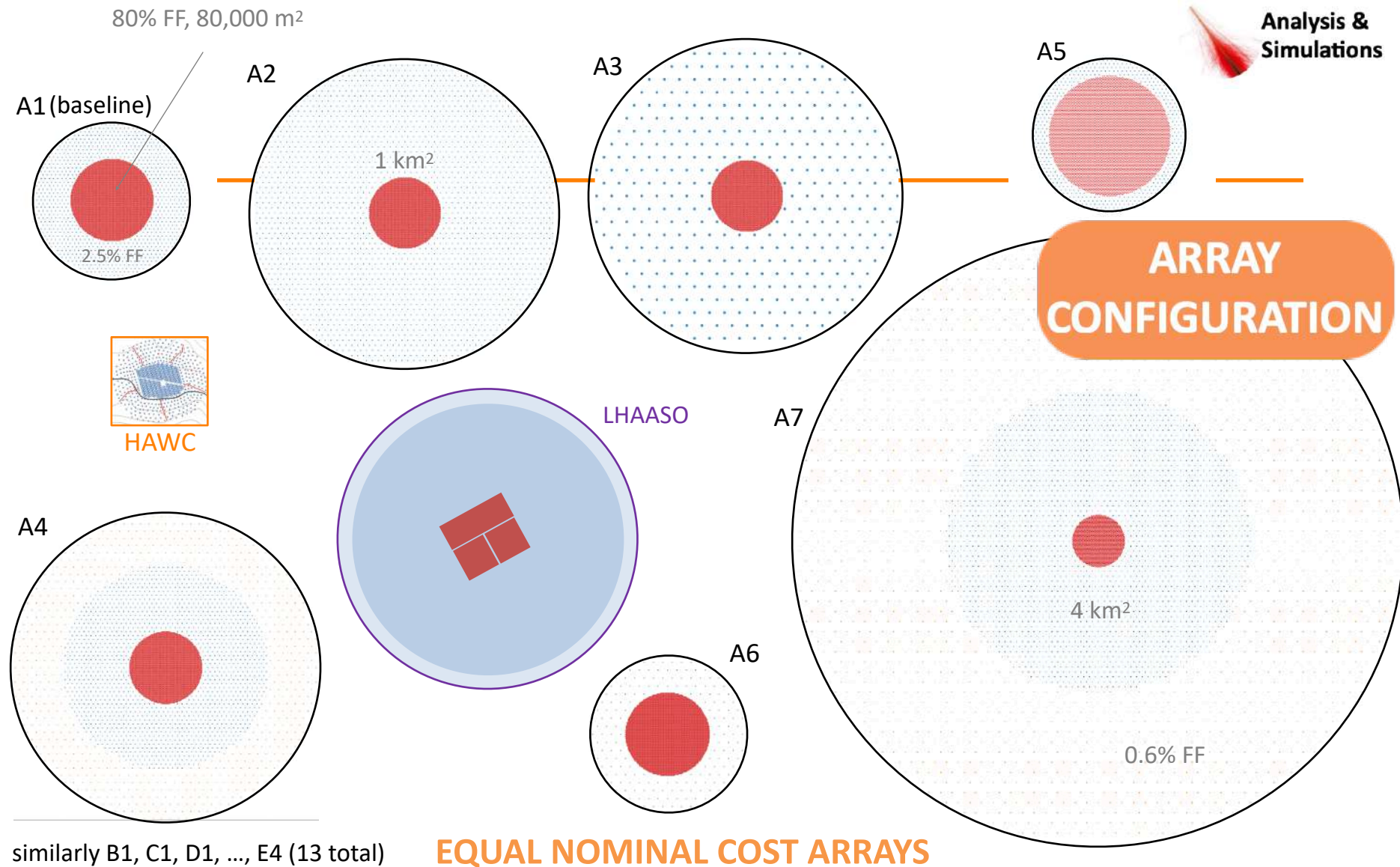
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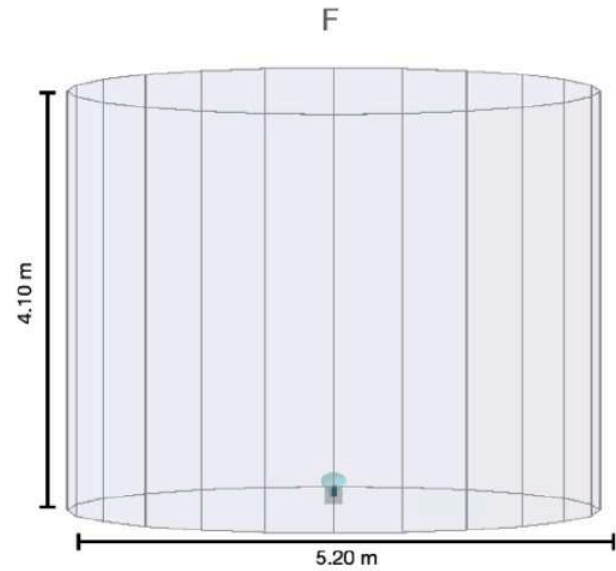
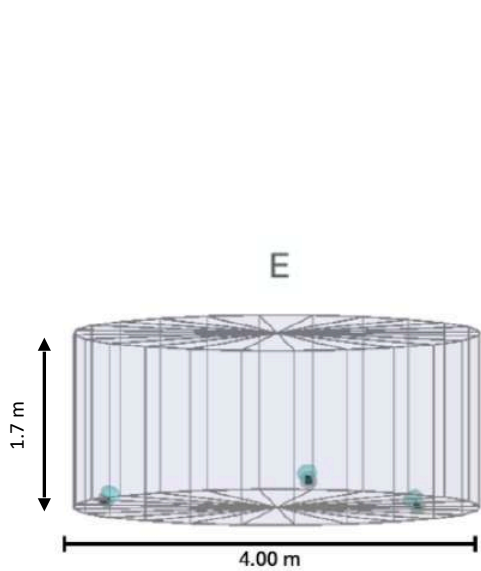
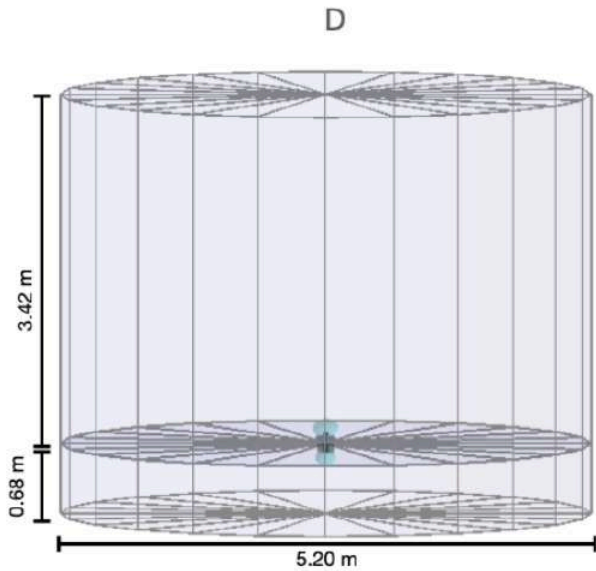
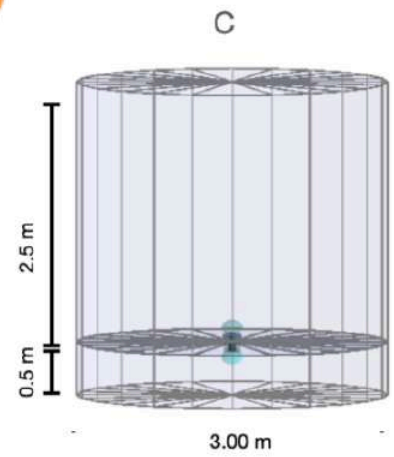
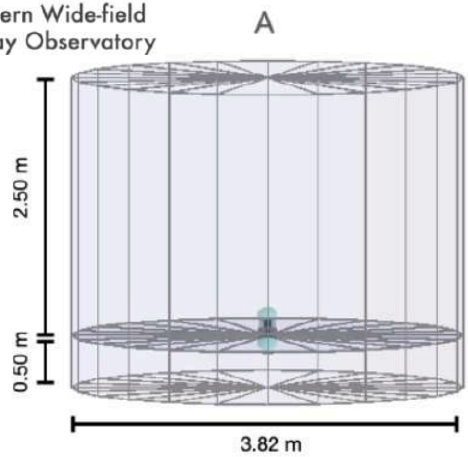
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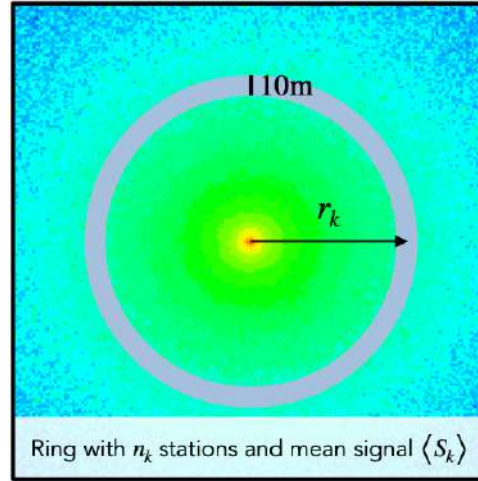


Shower  
footprint

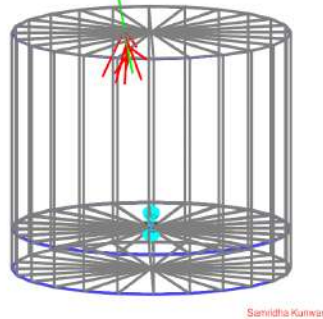
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## Shower azimuthal asymmetries

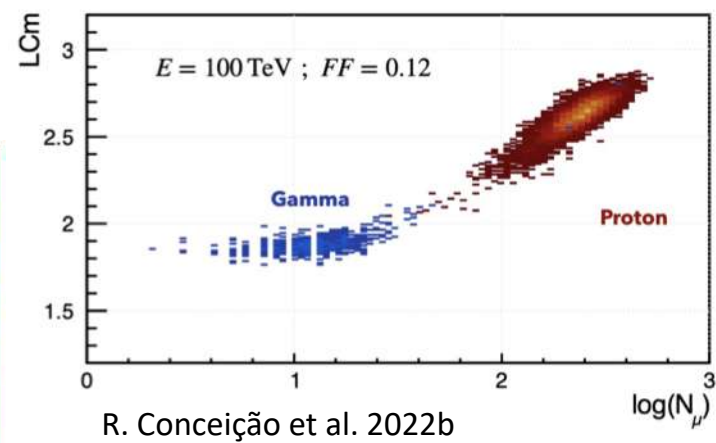


## Double-layer WCDs



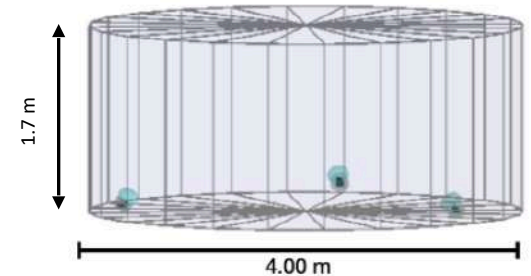
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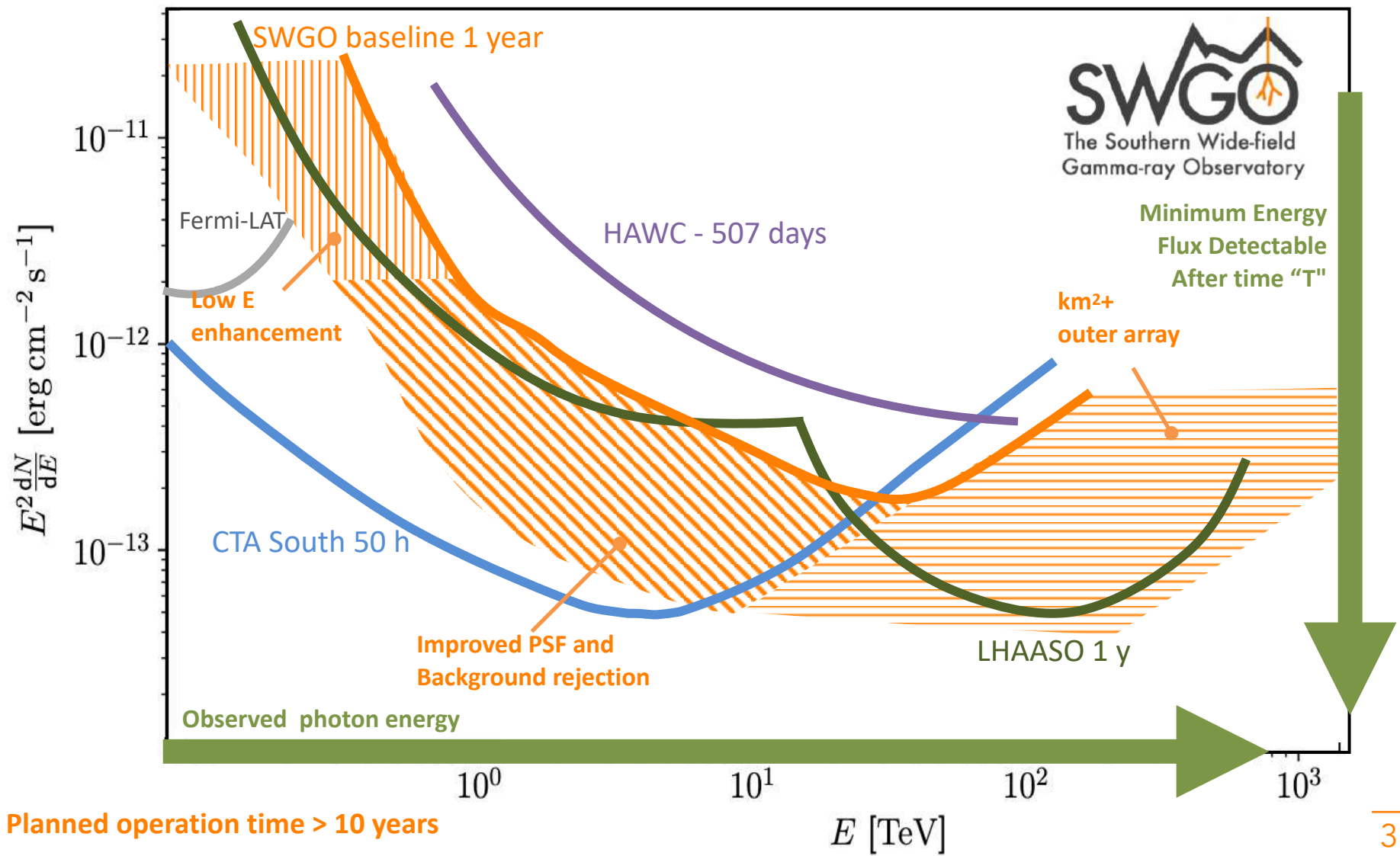
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## Multi-PMT WCDs





# Summary

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- ⊙ Astroparticle Physics is in its golden age
  - Major infrastructures in all fronts, with worldwide support in US, EU and LA
- ⊙ LIP / Portugal has a long experience + leadership in Pierre Auger
- ⊙ **SWGO is the next step**
  - New window for **PeVatron astronomy** in the southern hemisphere
    - ✓ Complementary to LHAASO's sky view
    - ✓ **Origin of Galactic Hadronic Cosmic-rays**
  - Wide-energy range coverage **100 GeV - 1 PeV**
    - ✓ Complementary to CTA
    - ✓ Bridging the satellite all-sky monitoring capabilities
  - The next major Astroparticle Facility in South America, after Pierre Auger
- ⊙ SWGO will be a key instrument in the future Astroparticle Physics scenario





# Obrigado! Thank you!



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