

Giant Molecular Clouds as probes of Galactic Cosmic Rays with Fermi-LAT

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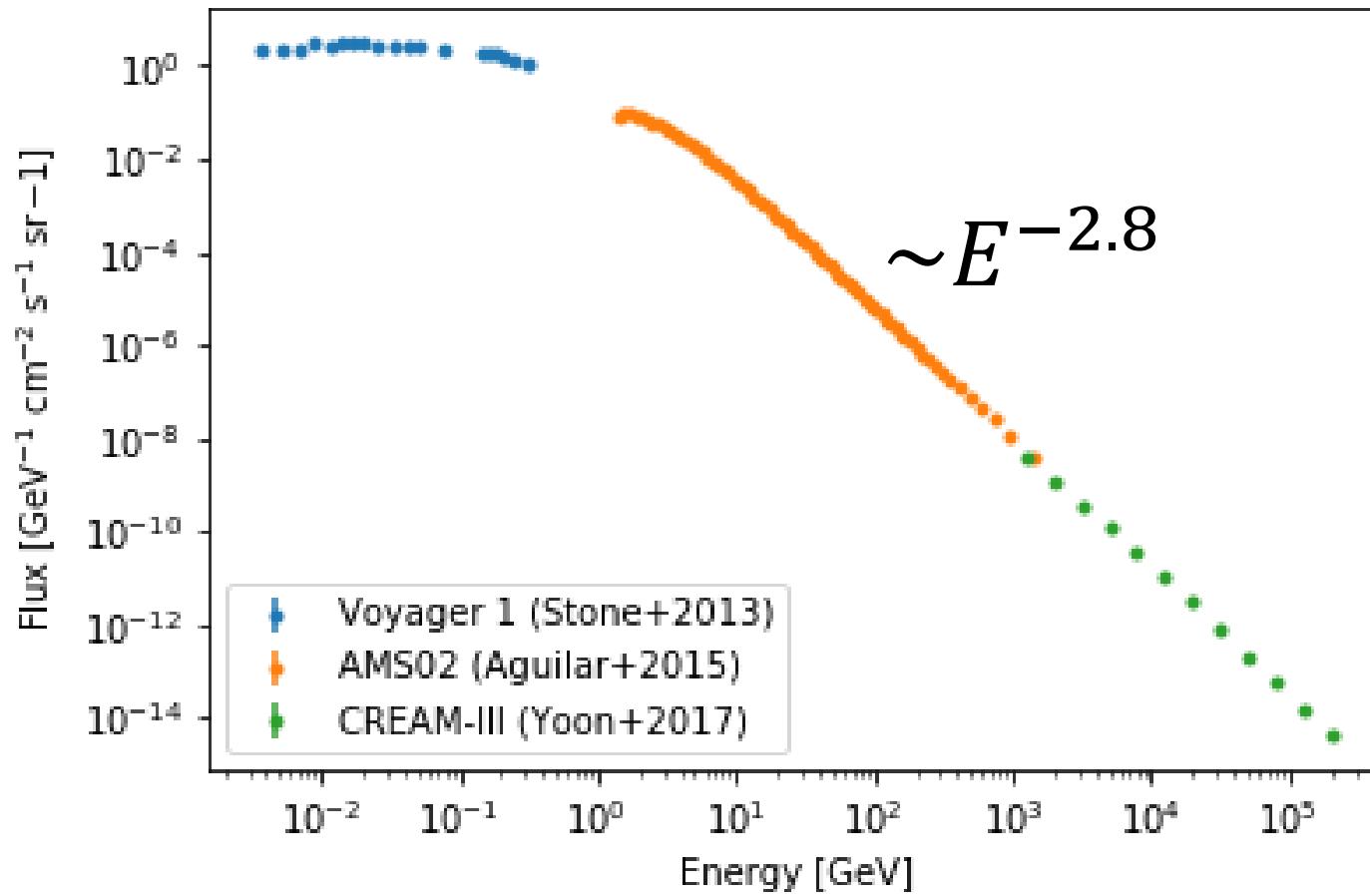


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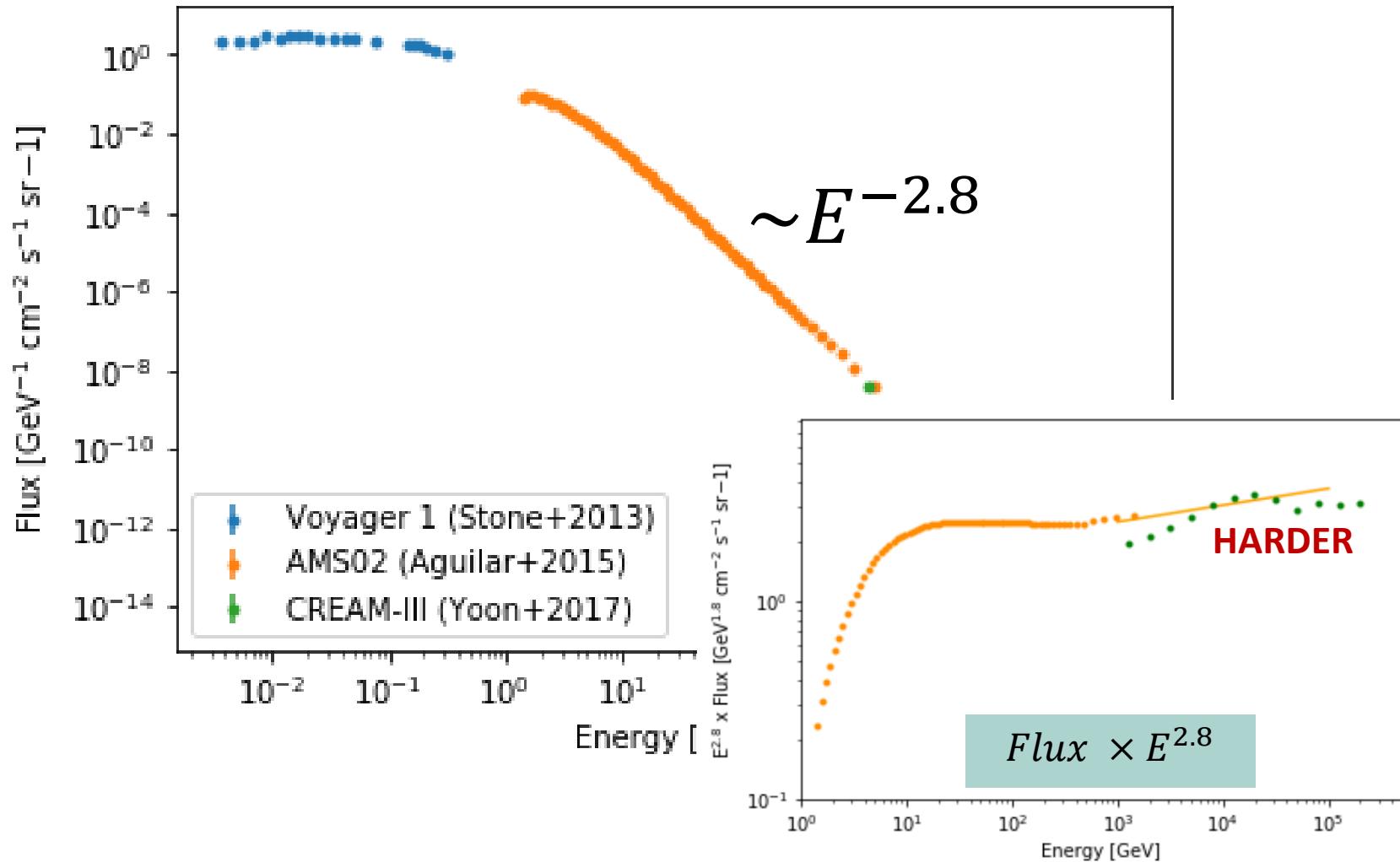
- Cosmic Rays (main spectral properties)
- Measuring Galactic CR with Gamma-Rays
- Molecular Clouds as CR barometer
- Fermi-LAT analysis of Gamma Ray data
- Results from Molecular Clouds
- Summary and Conclusion



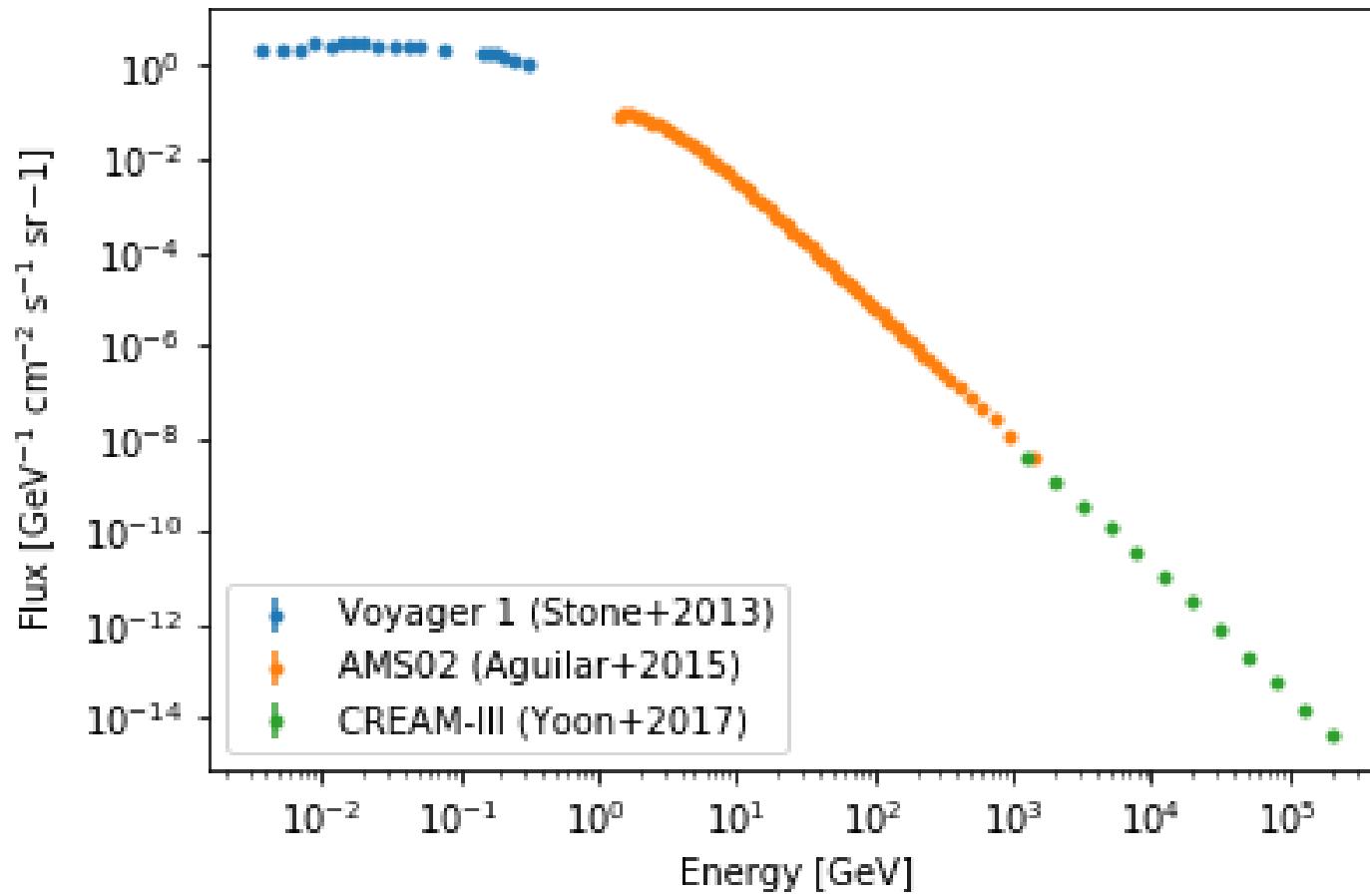
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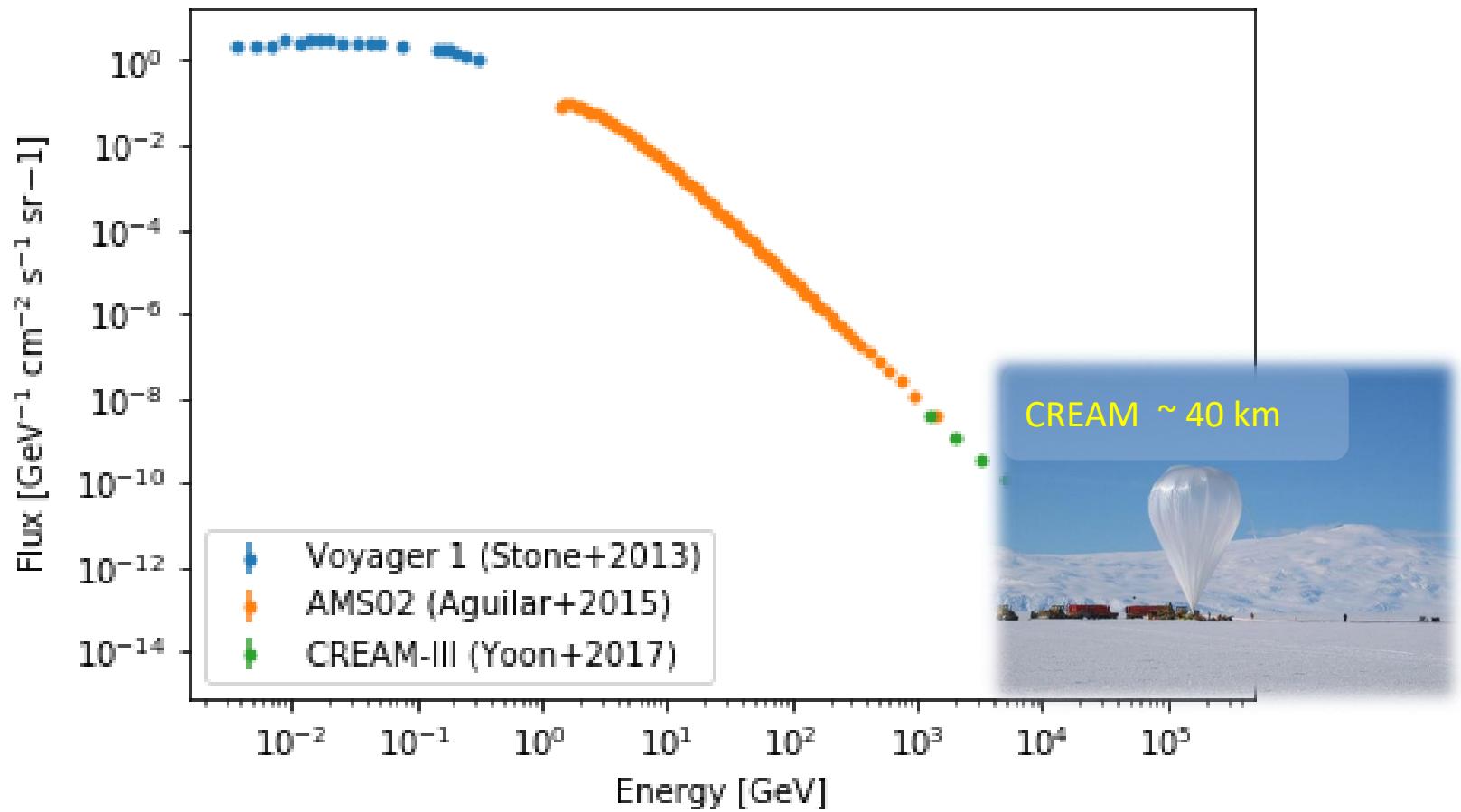
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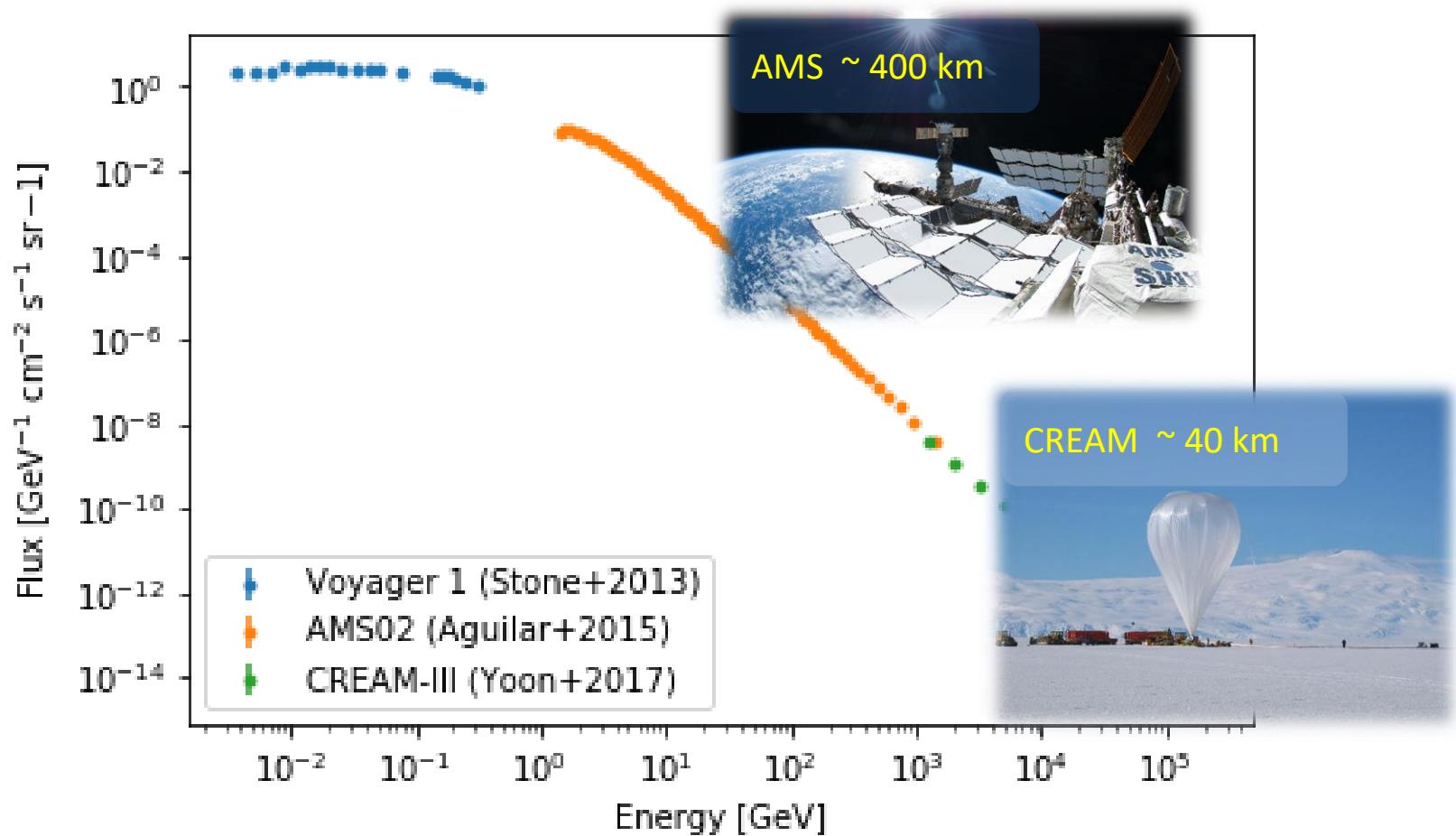
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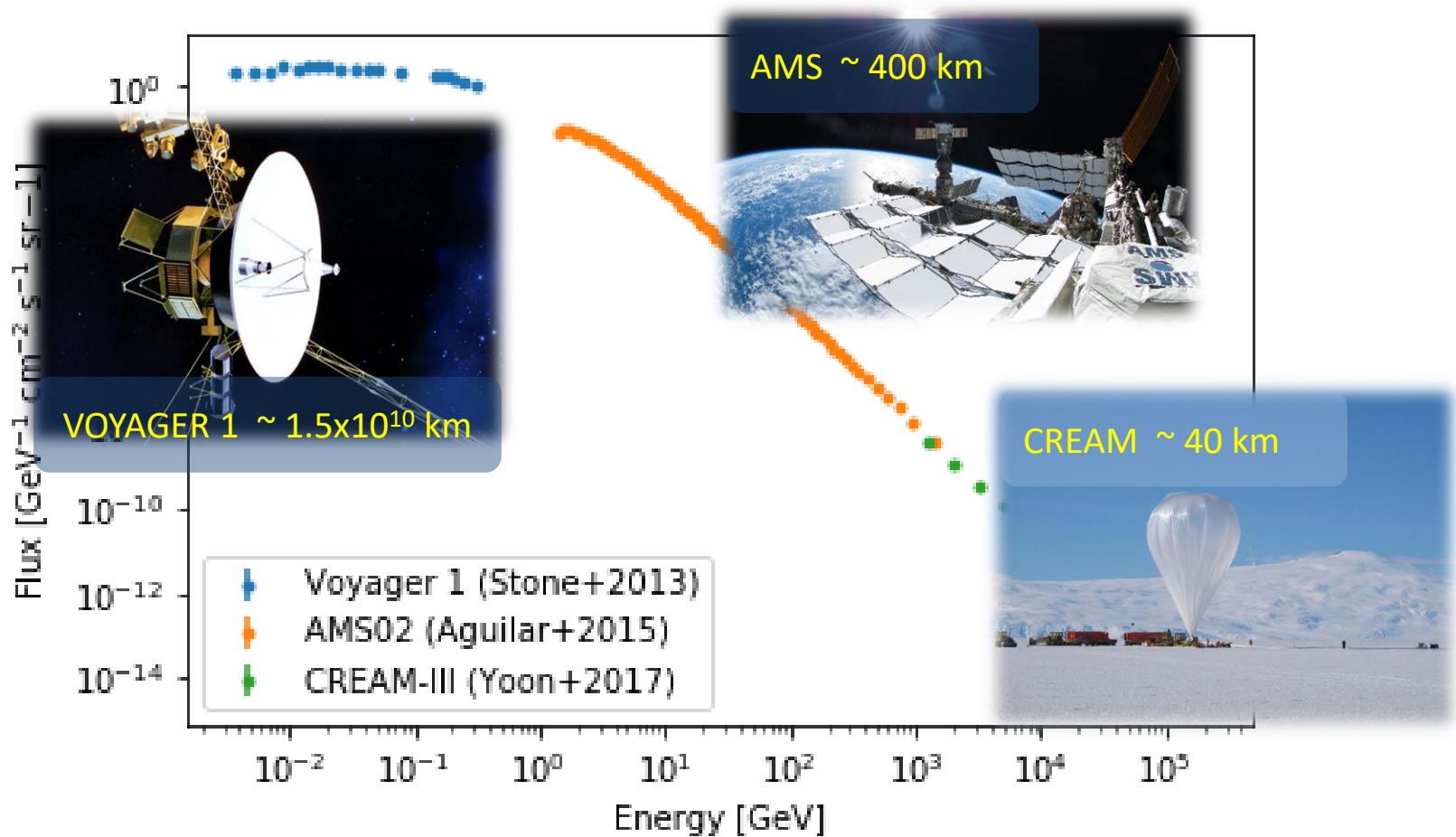
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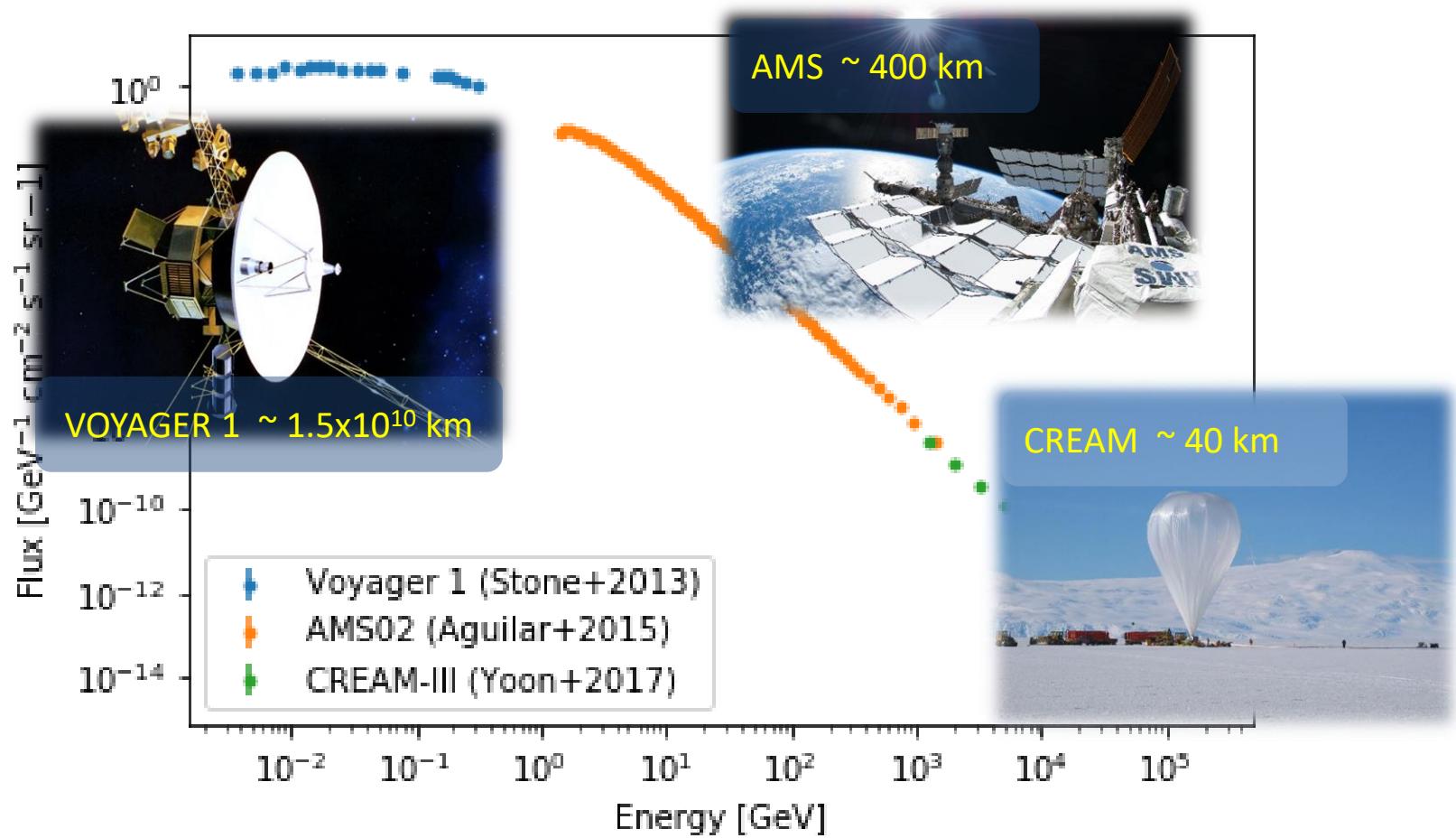
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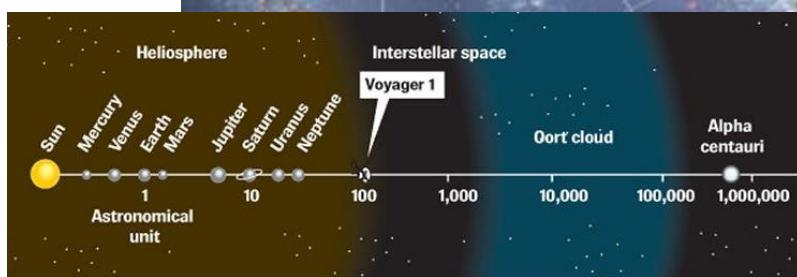


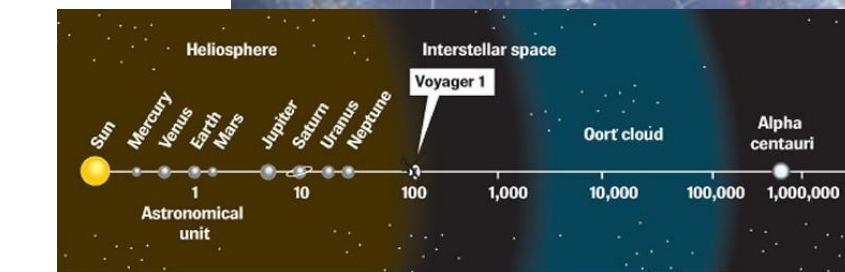
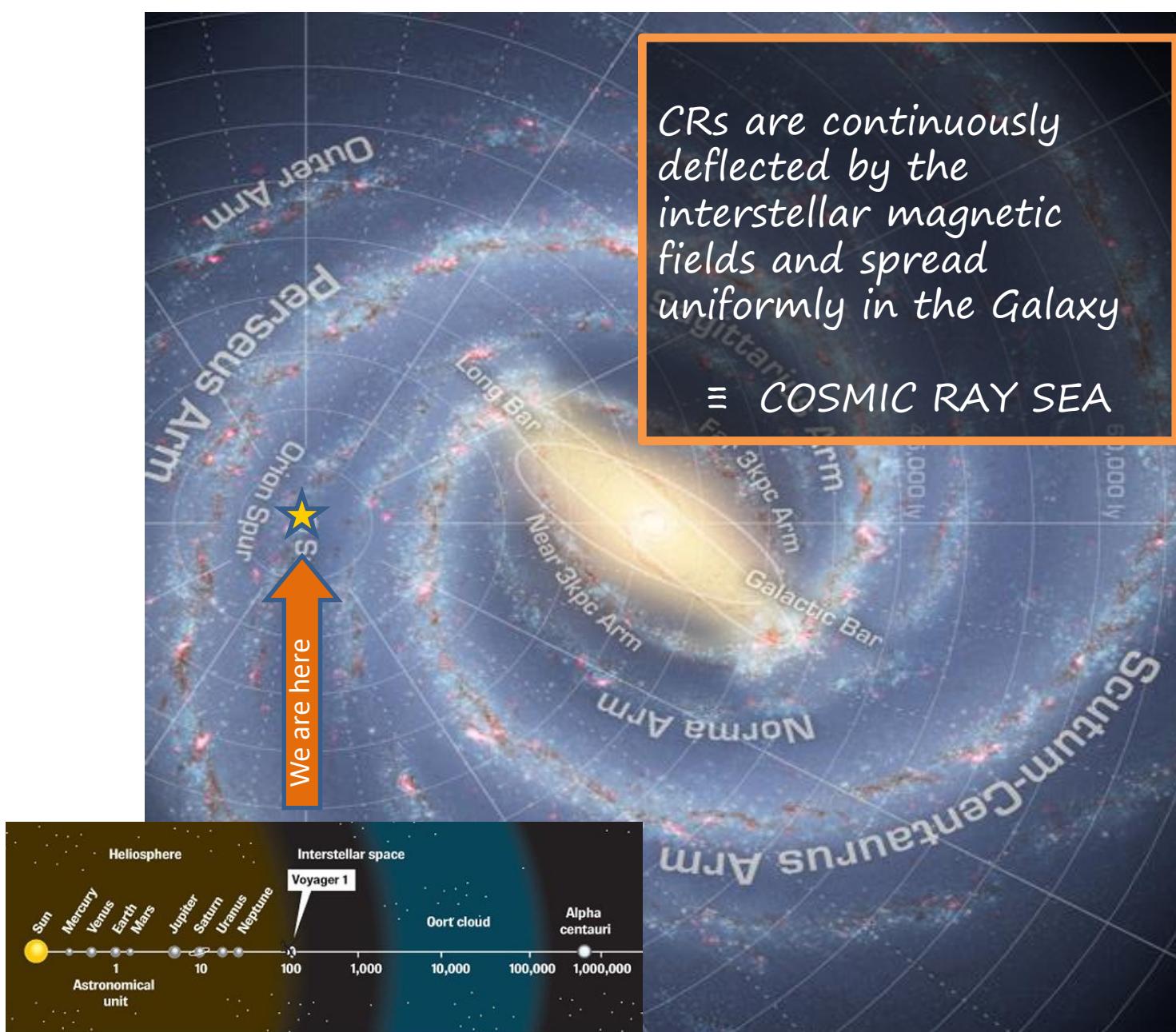
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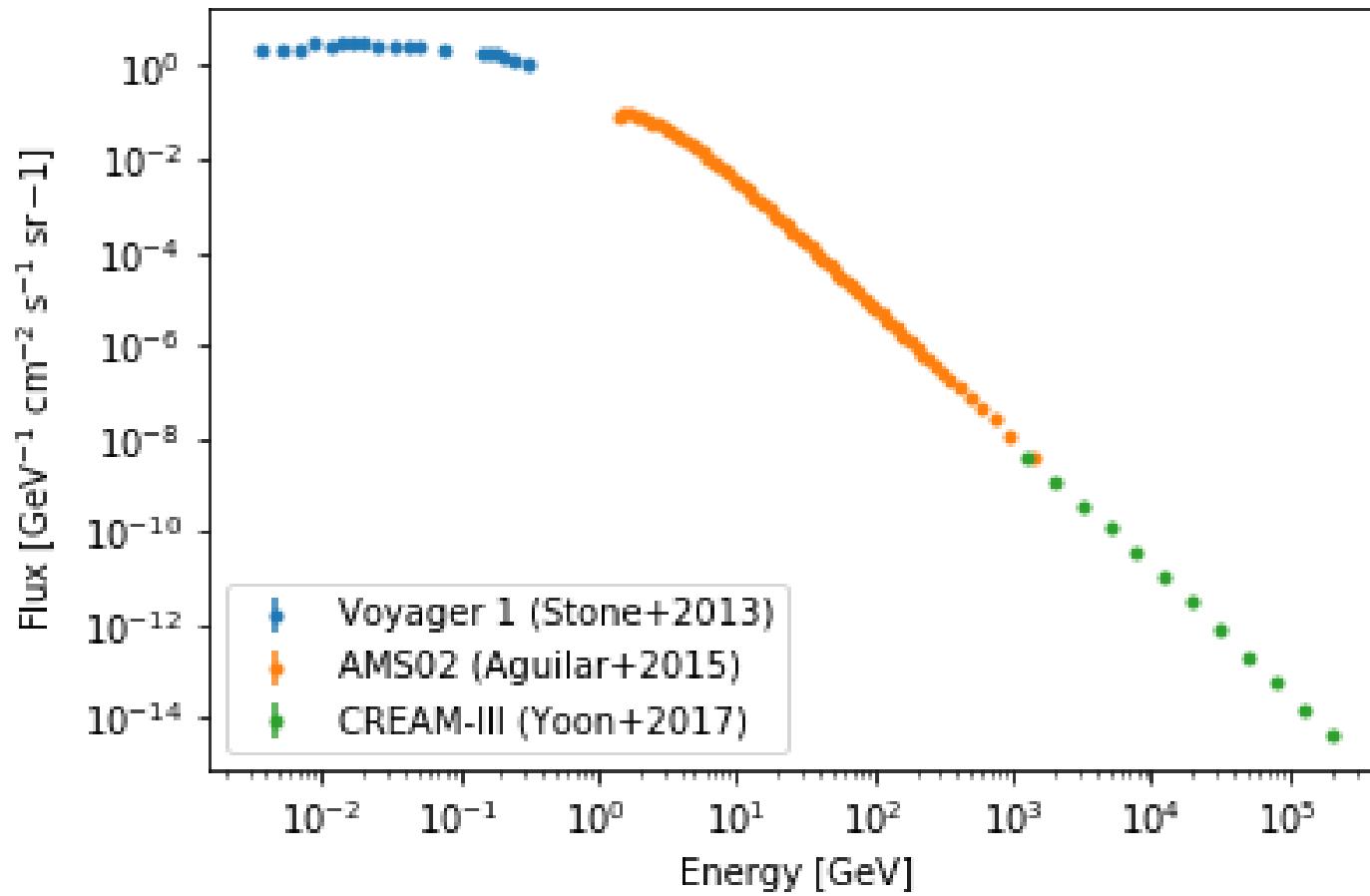
CR protons: the LOCAL spectrum





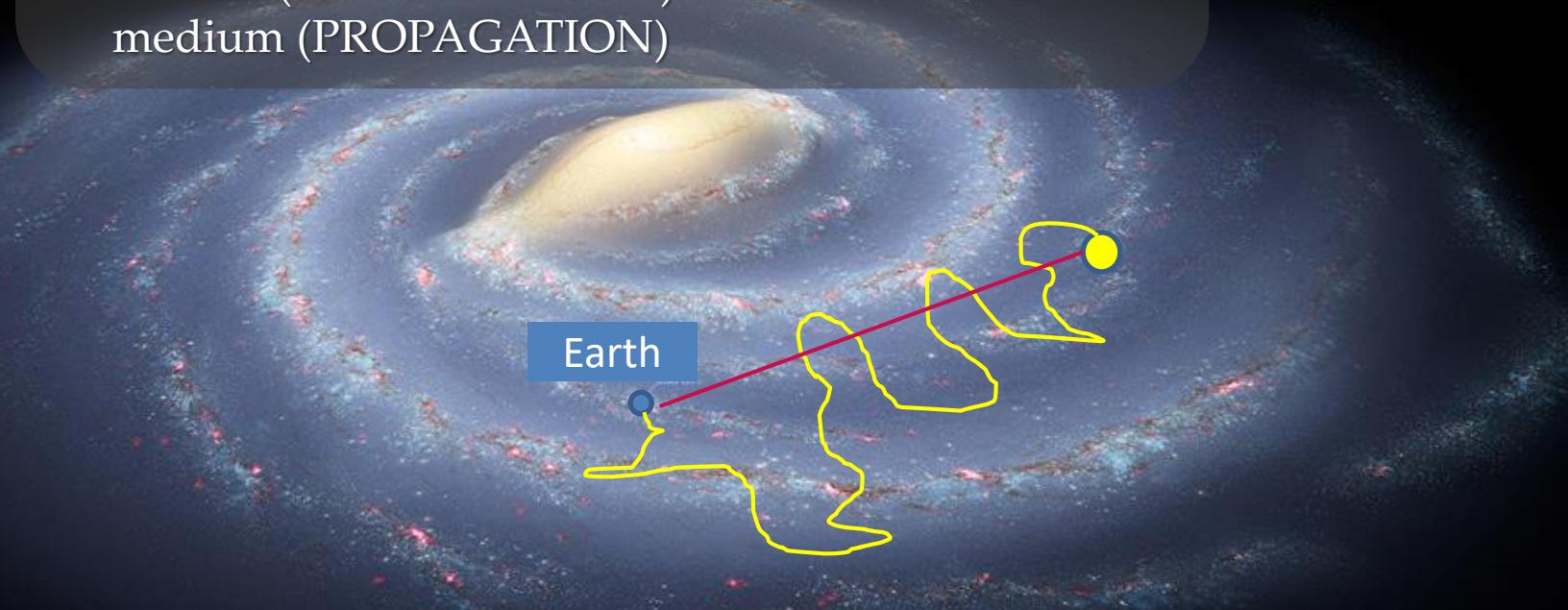


Is this the Cosmic Ray SEA?

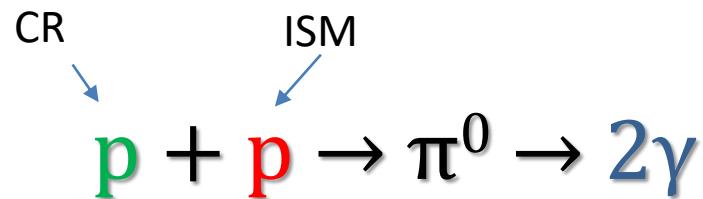


Gamma-rays

- Reach Earth undeflected
- Carry information about parent CRs both near sources (ACCELERATION) and in the diffuse medium (PROPAGATION)

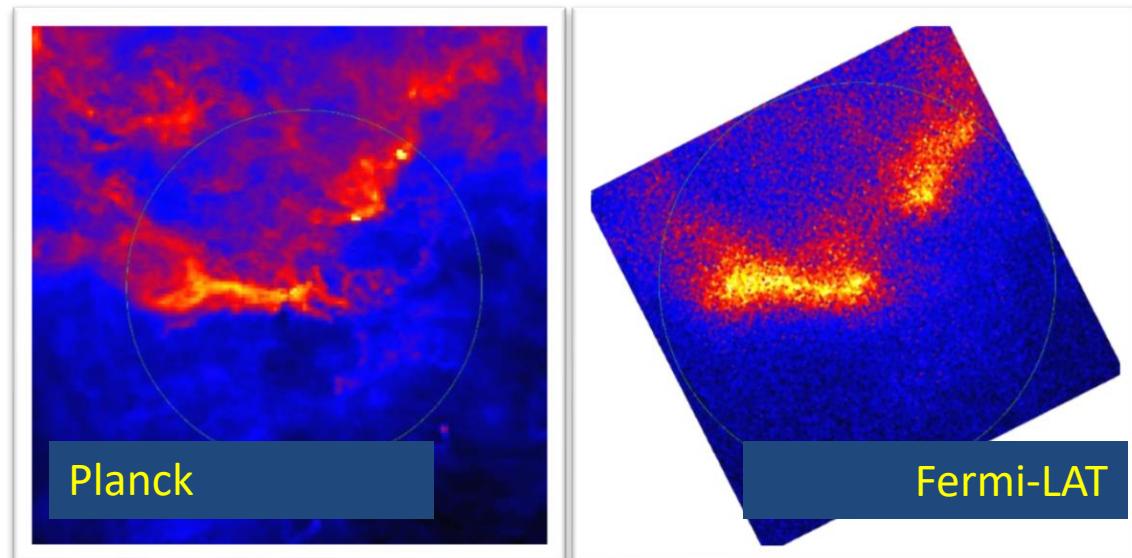


Cosmic Rays produce Gamma Rays

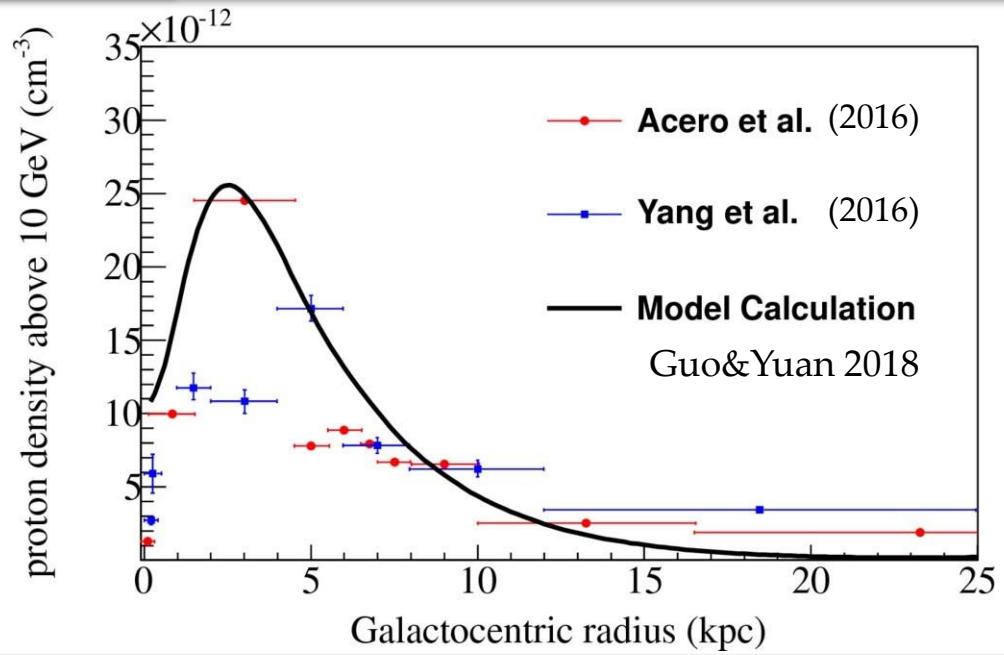
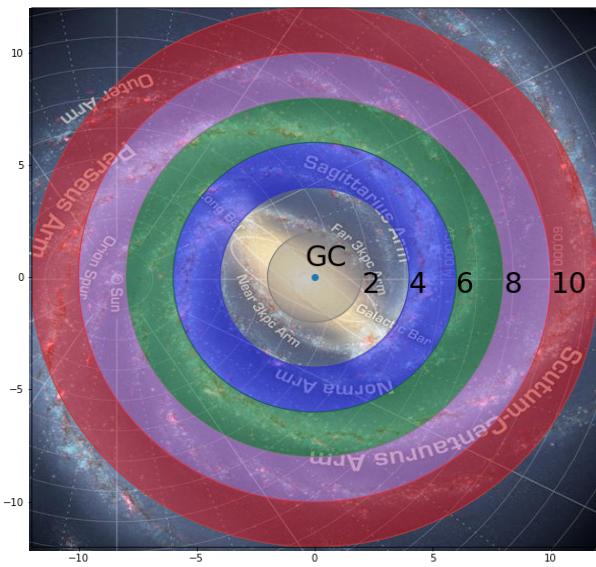
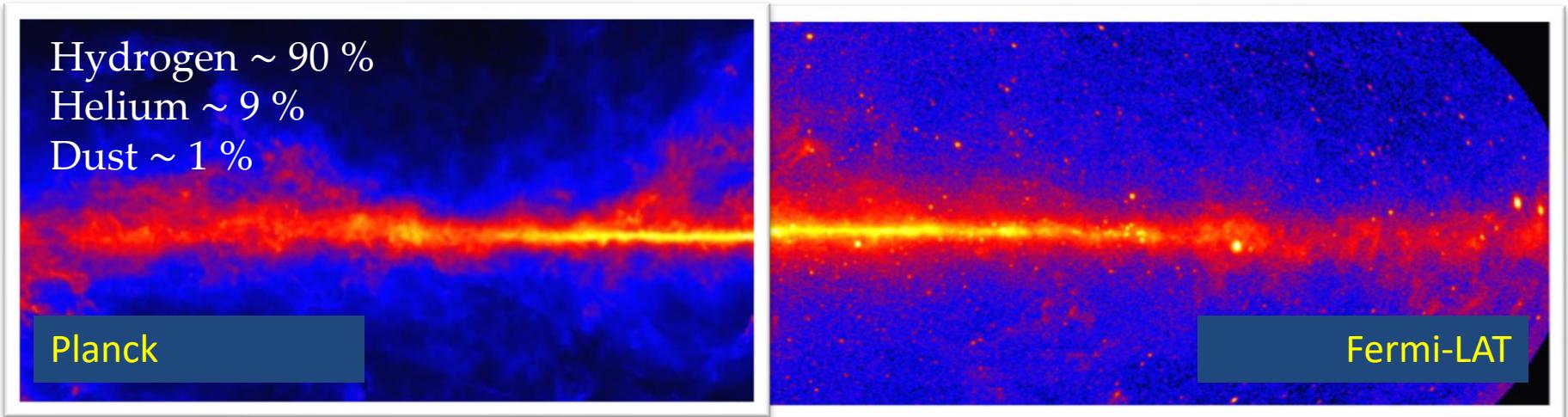


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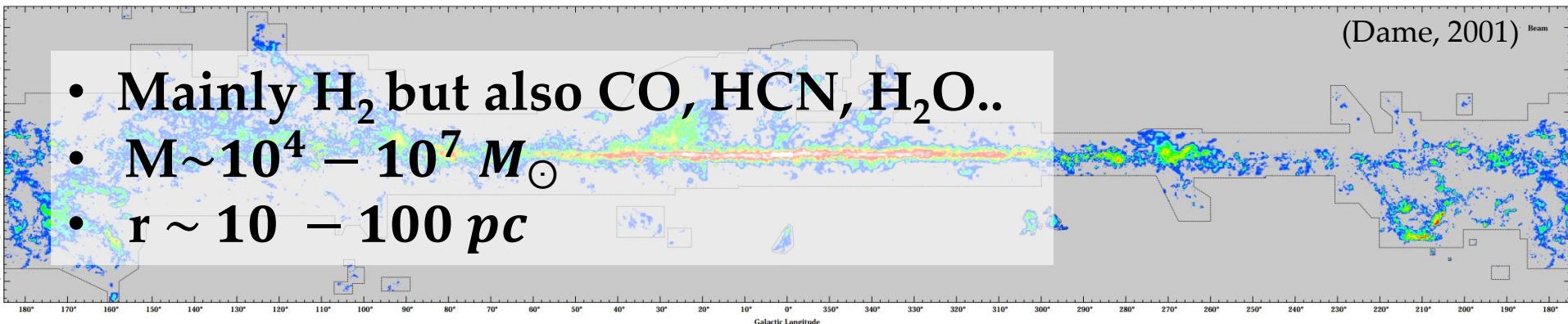
$$\left[n_{col} = \int n(r, l, b) dr \right]$$



The interstellar medium



Molecular Clouds



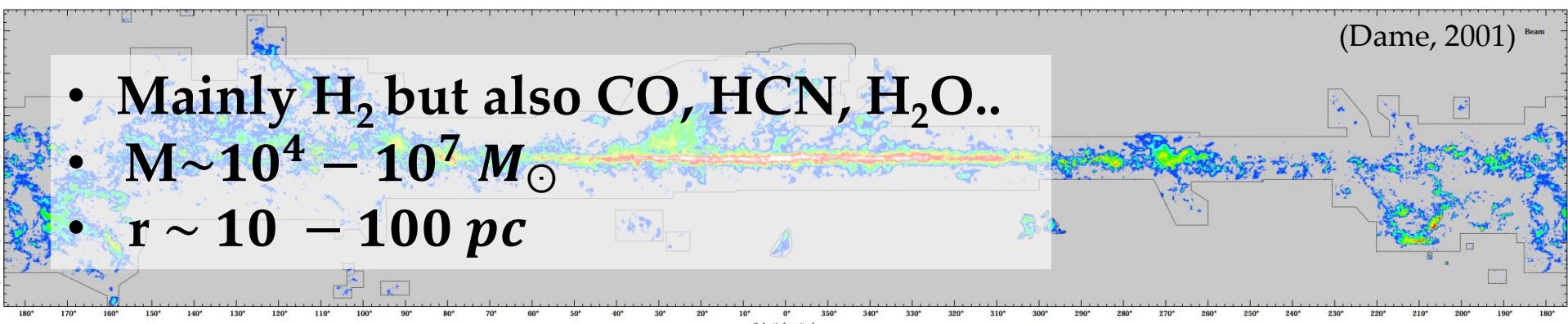
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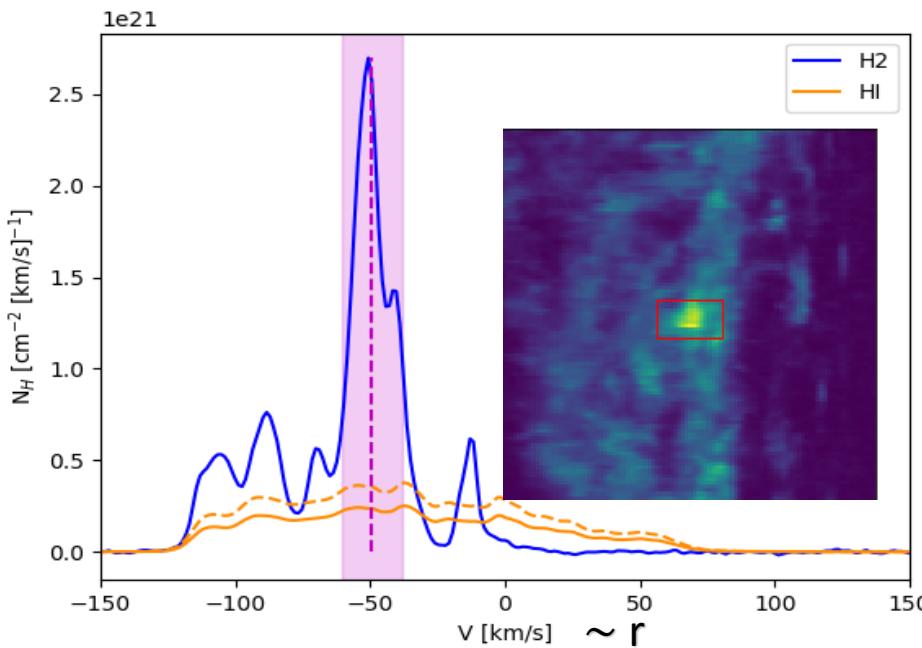
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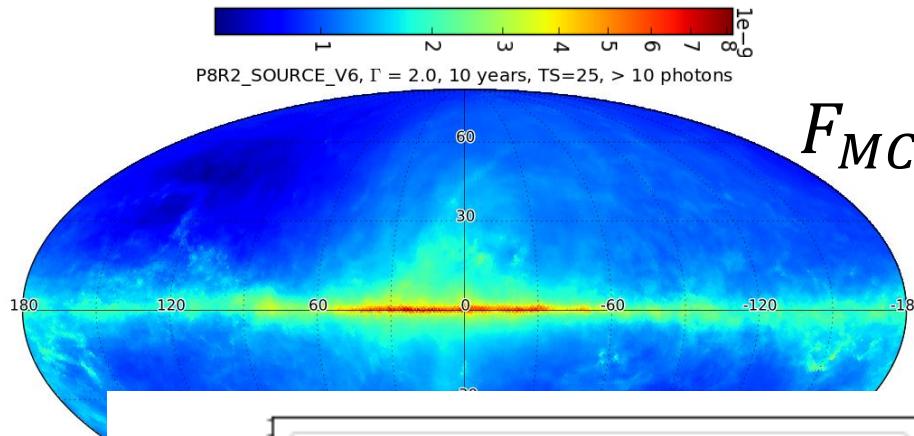
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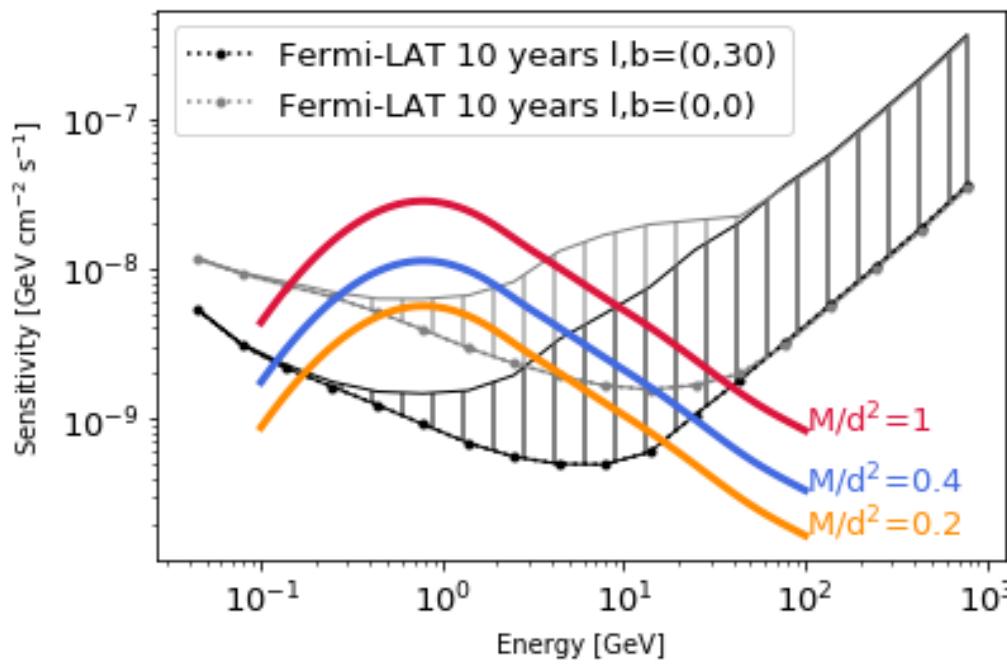


MCs allow to test
specific locations

Molecular Clouds & Fermi-LAT



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Assuming:

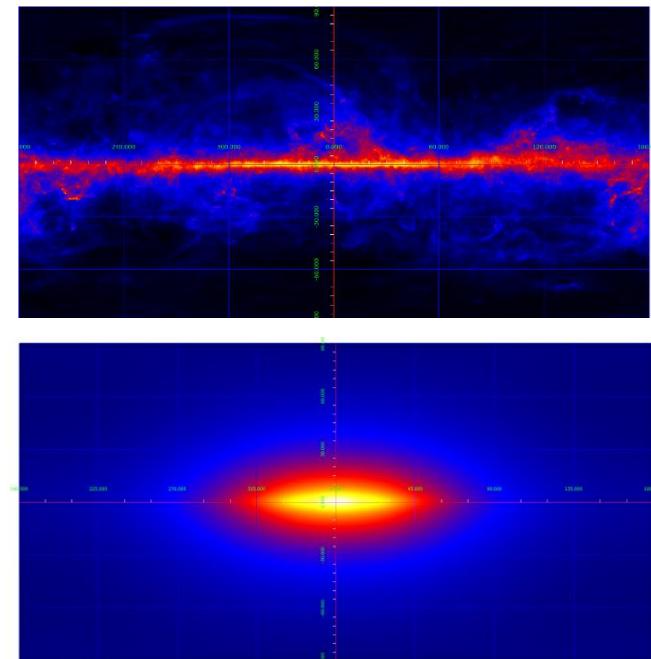
- $sens_{wide} \sim sens_{point} \frac{\sqrt{\sigma_{psf}^2 + \sigma_r^2}}{\sigma_{psf}}$
- $F_p = F_{AMS} \sim E^{-2.8}$
- $\frac{d\sigma}{dE_\gamma}$ from Kafexhiu+2014

Molecular Clouds & Fermi-LAT

- Data type: Pass8, evtype=3, evclass=128, zmax=90°
- Time: > 9 years of data
- ROI: $10^\circ \times 10^\circ$
- Energy range : >800 MeV

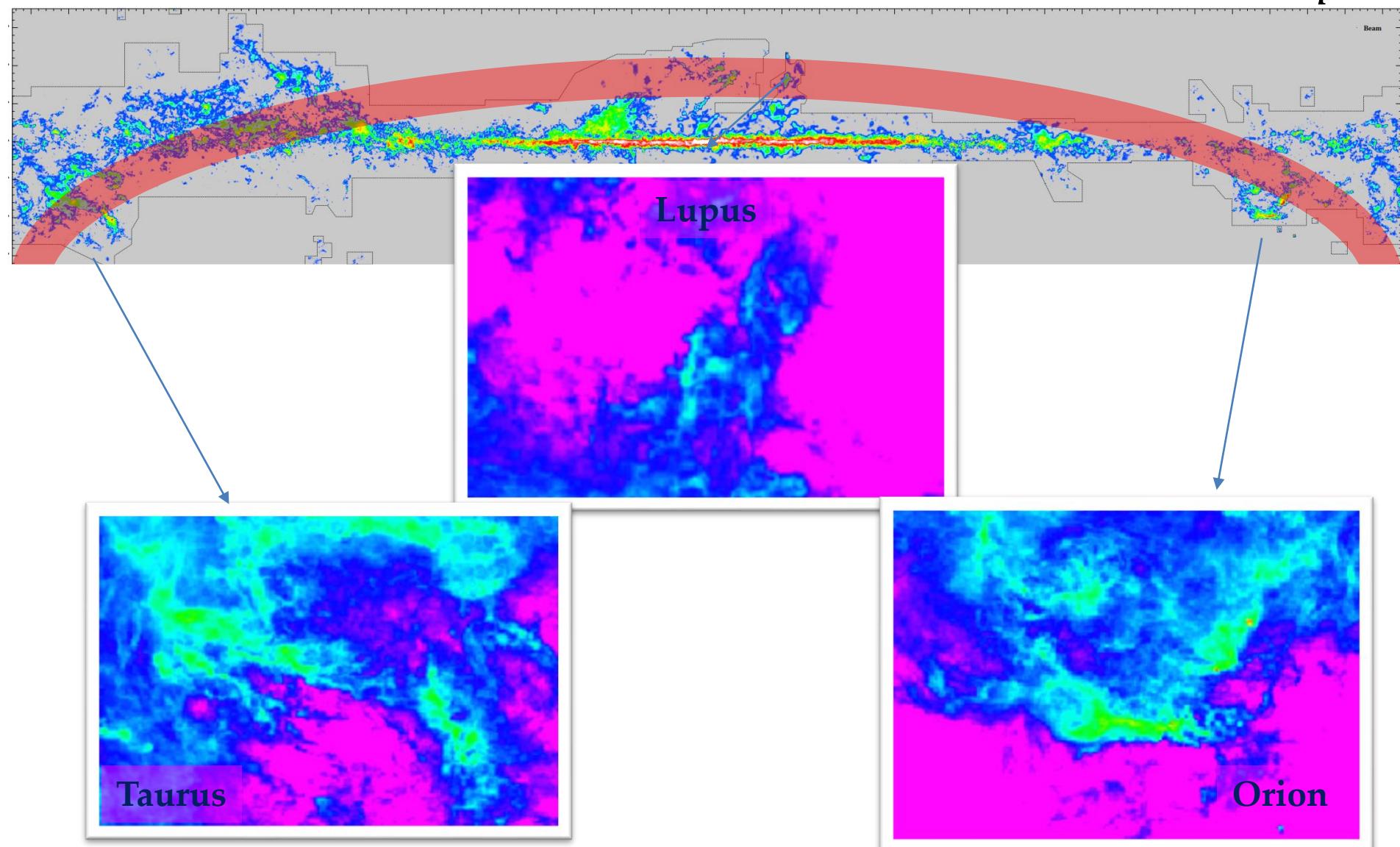
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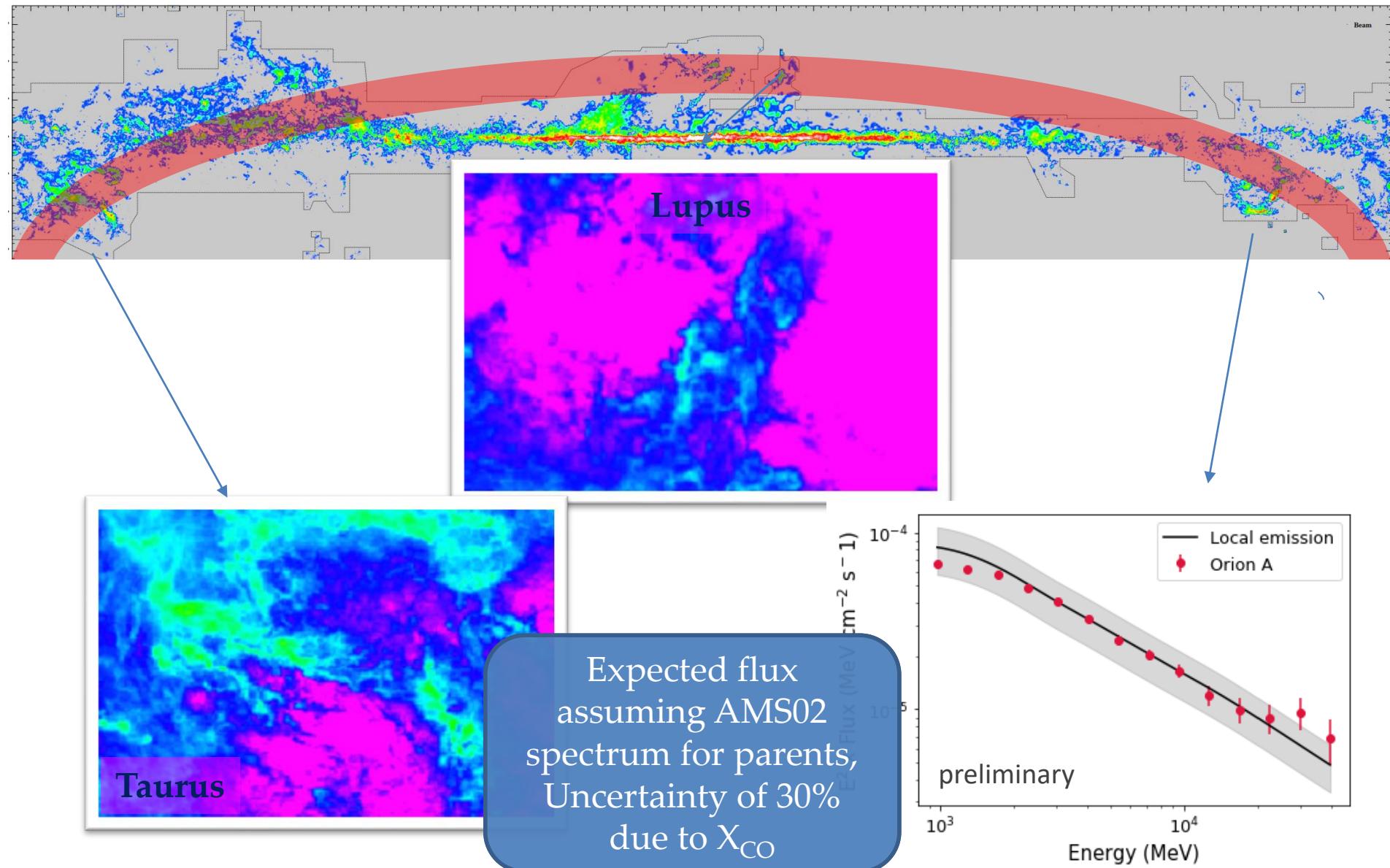


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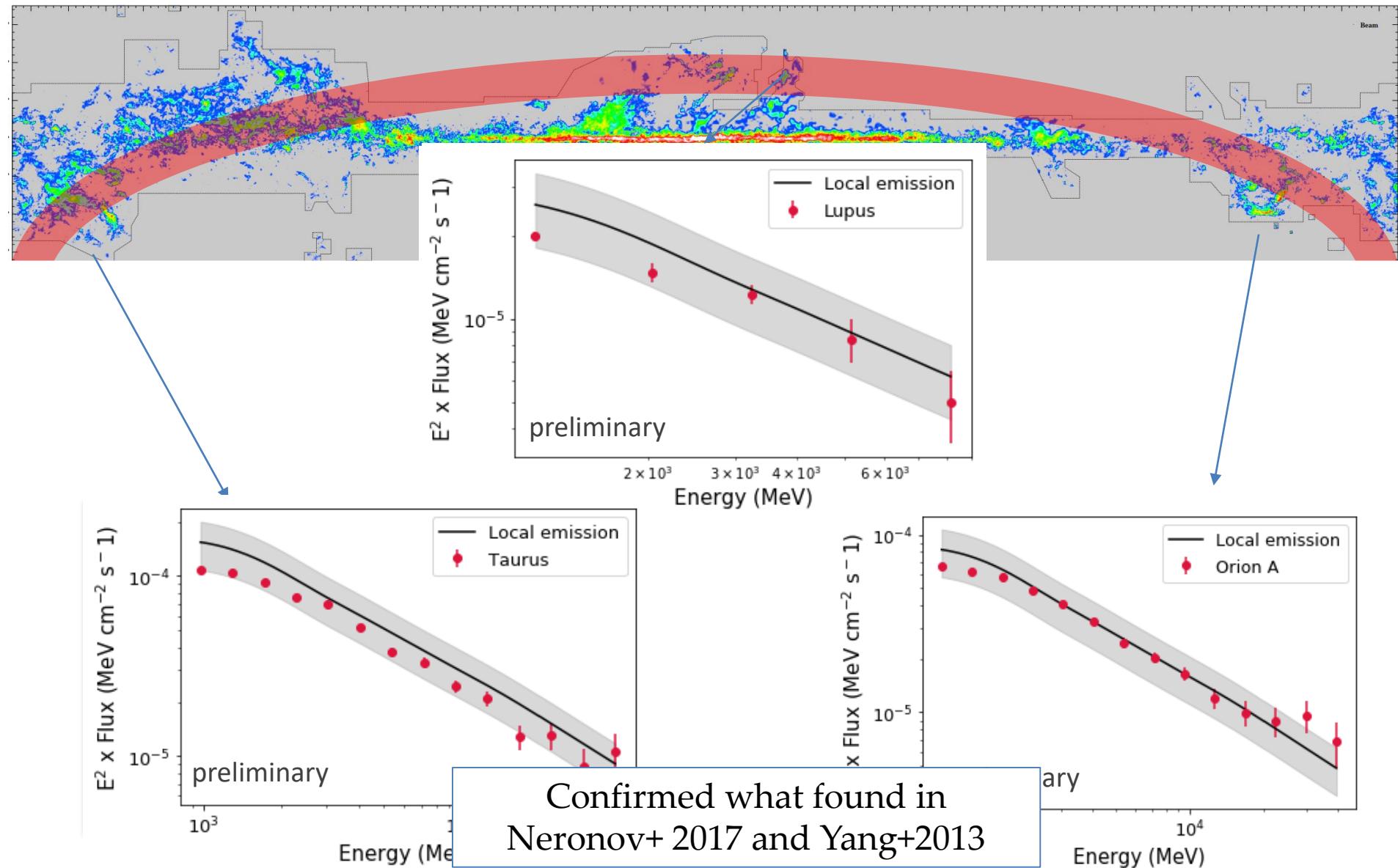
$\sim 200 \text{ pc}$



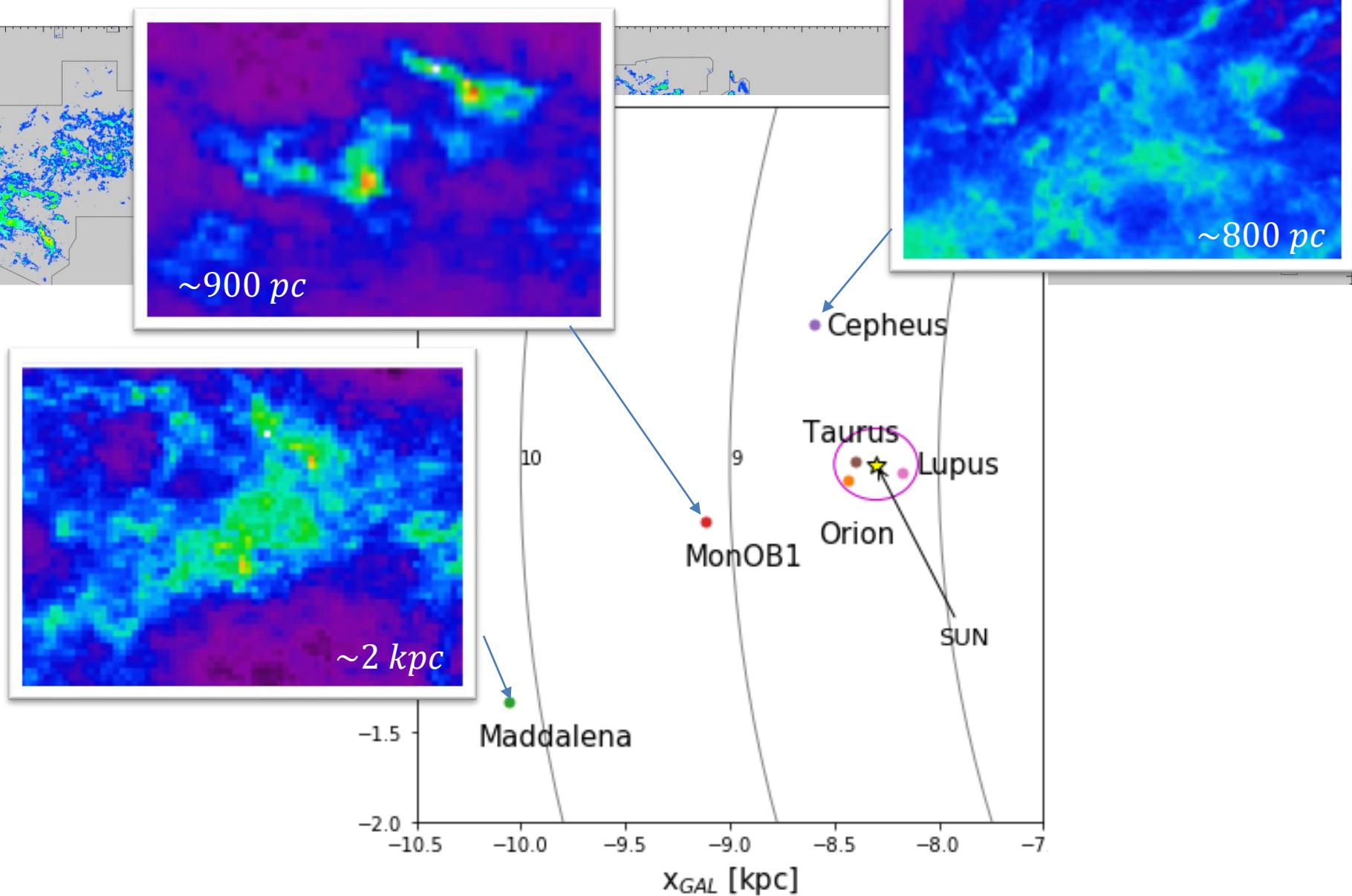
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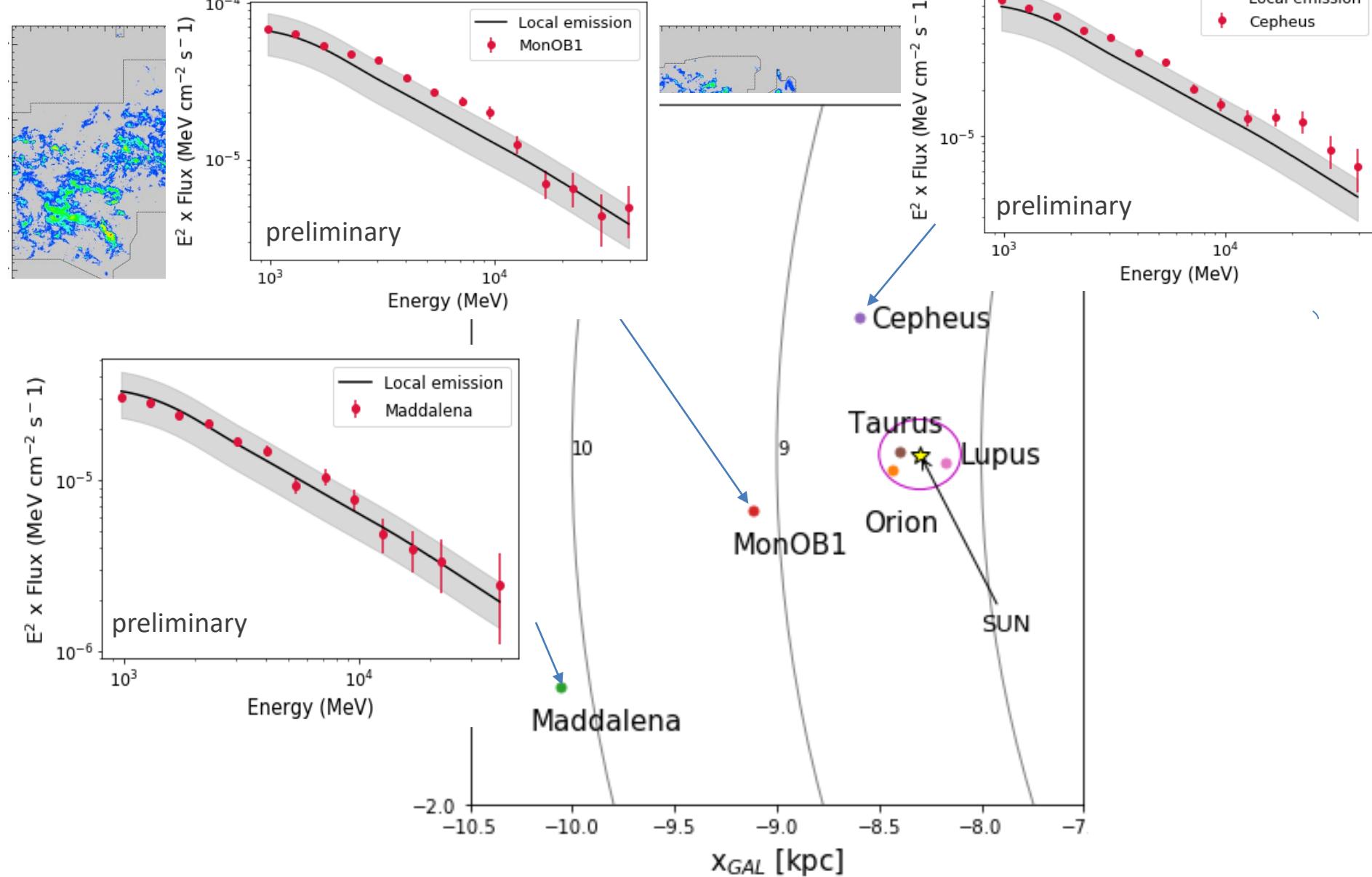
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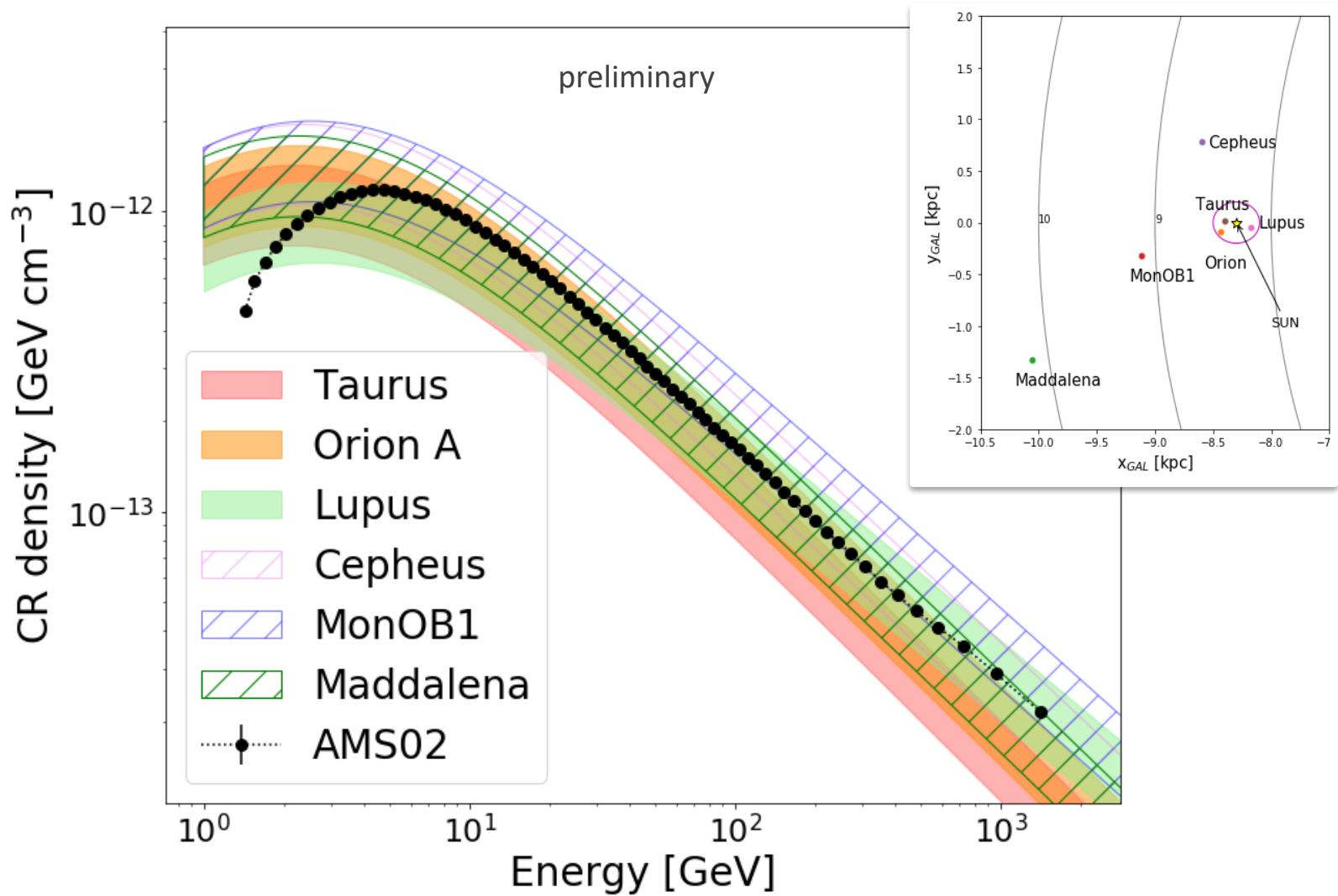
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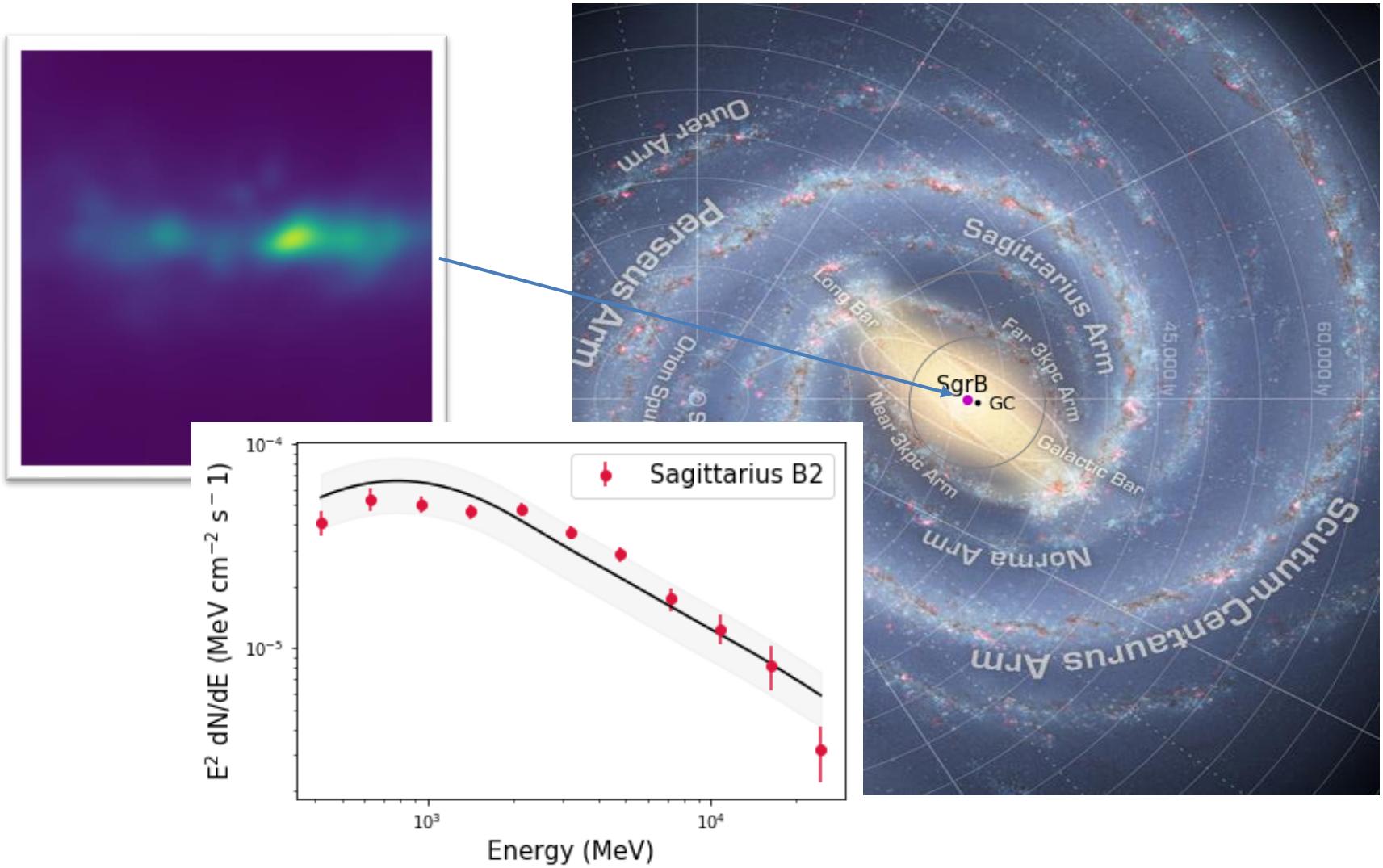
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The local (few kpc) environment

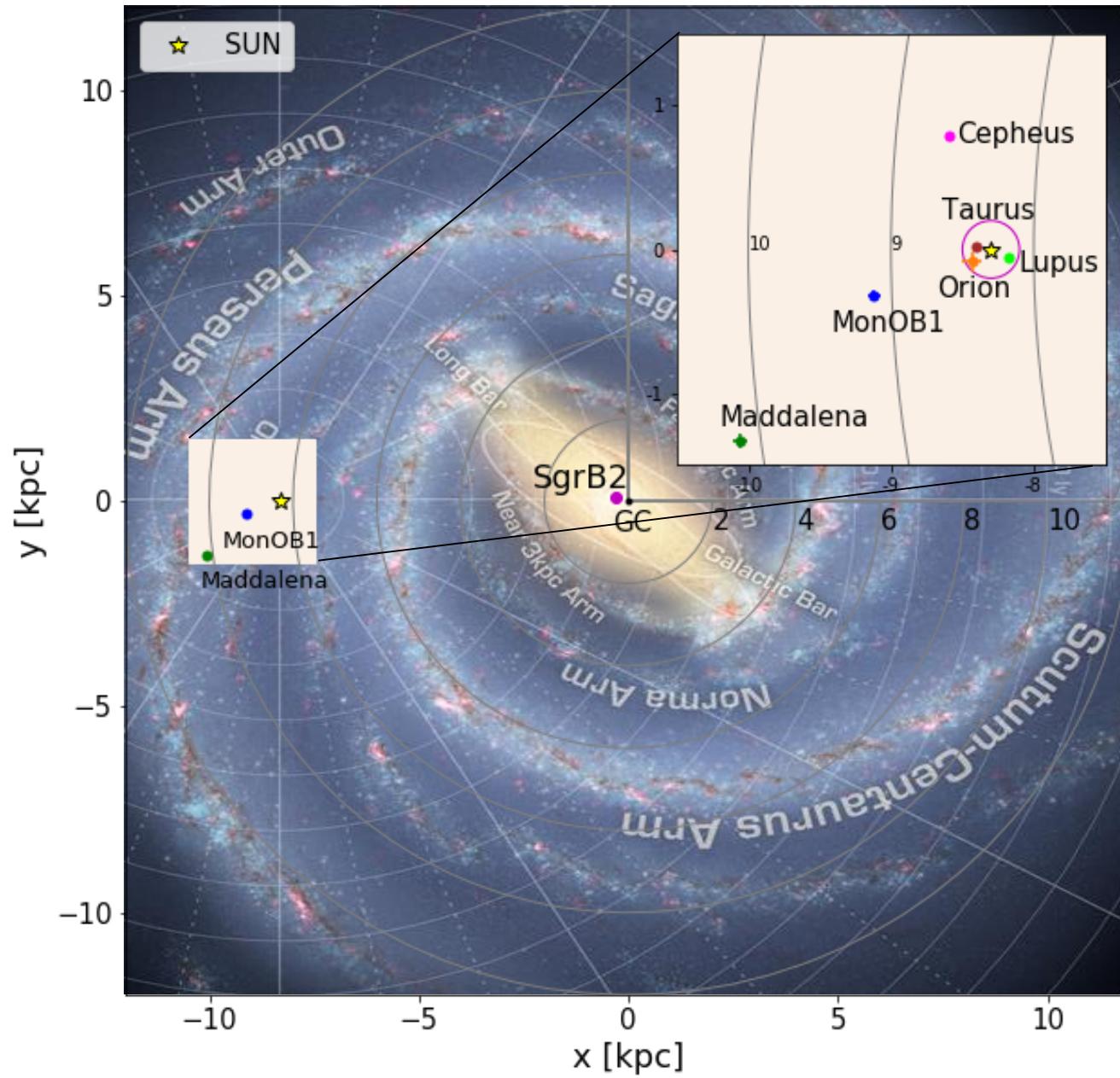


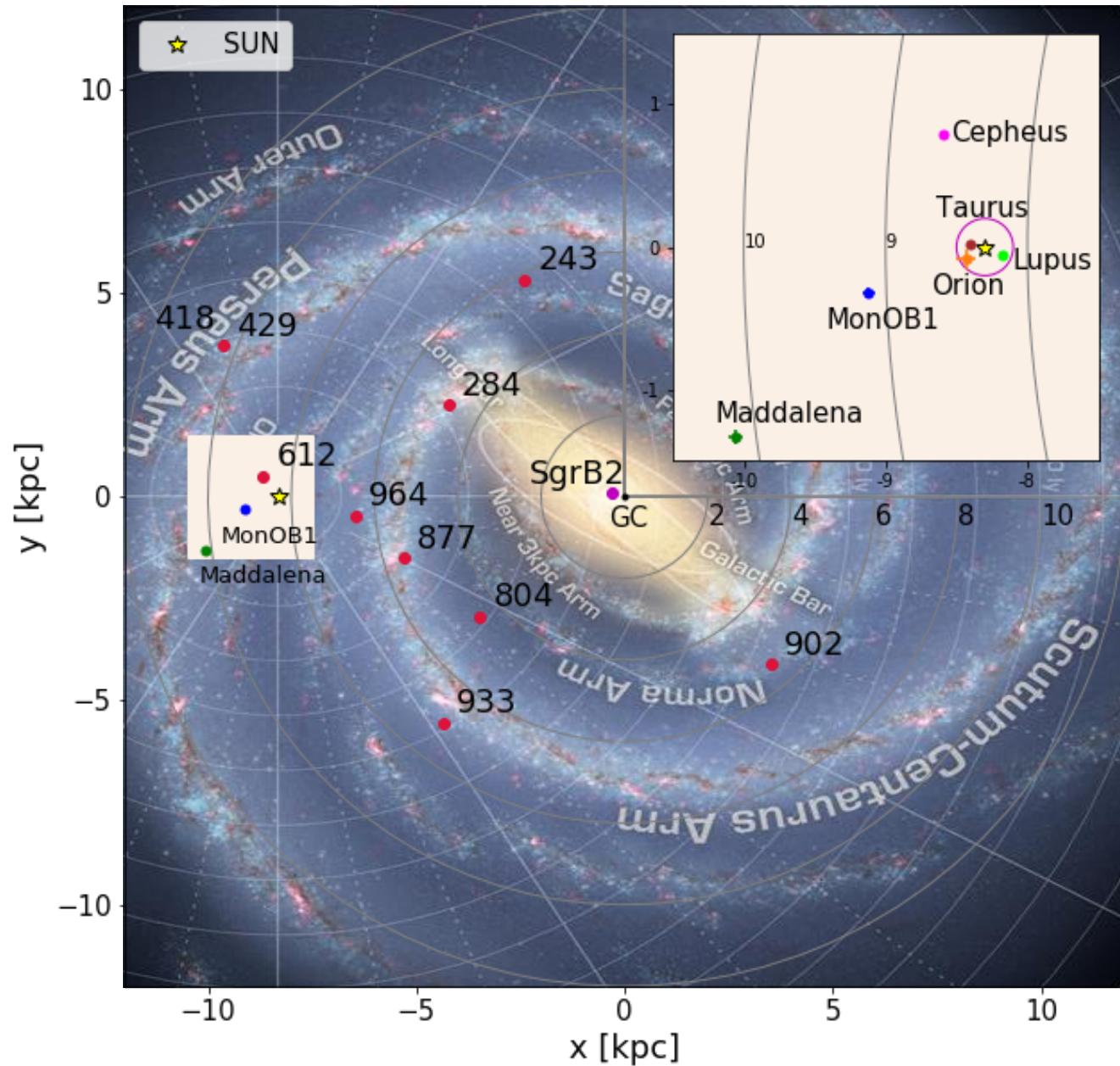
Close to the Galactic Center: SgrB2

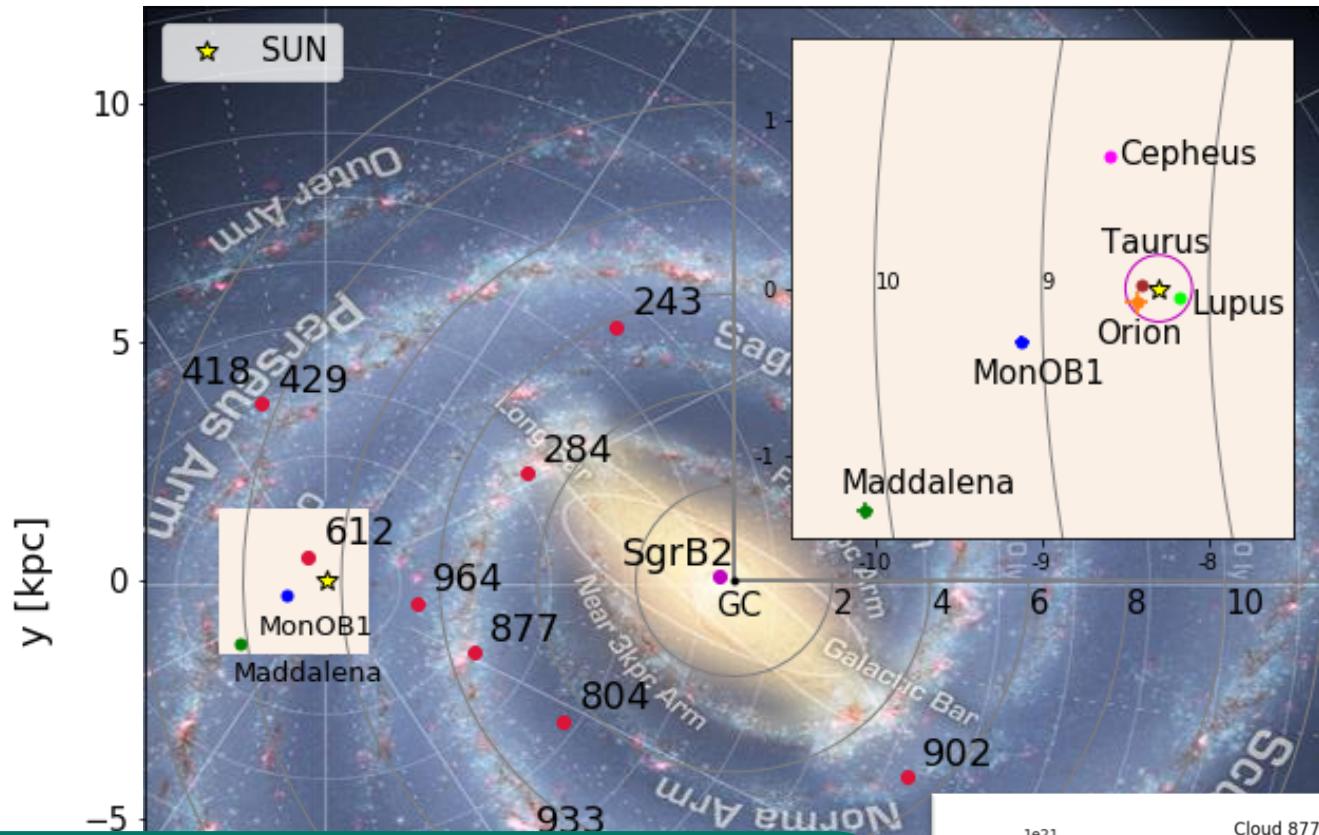


Yang+2014



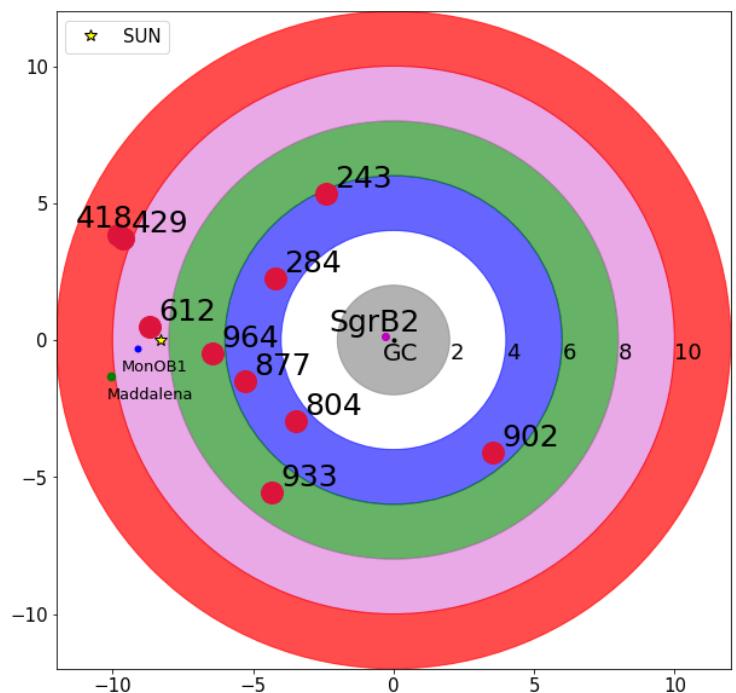
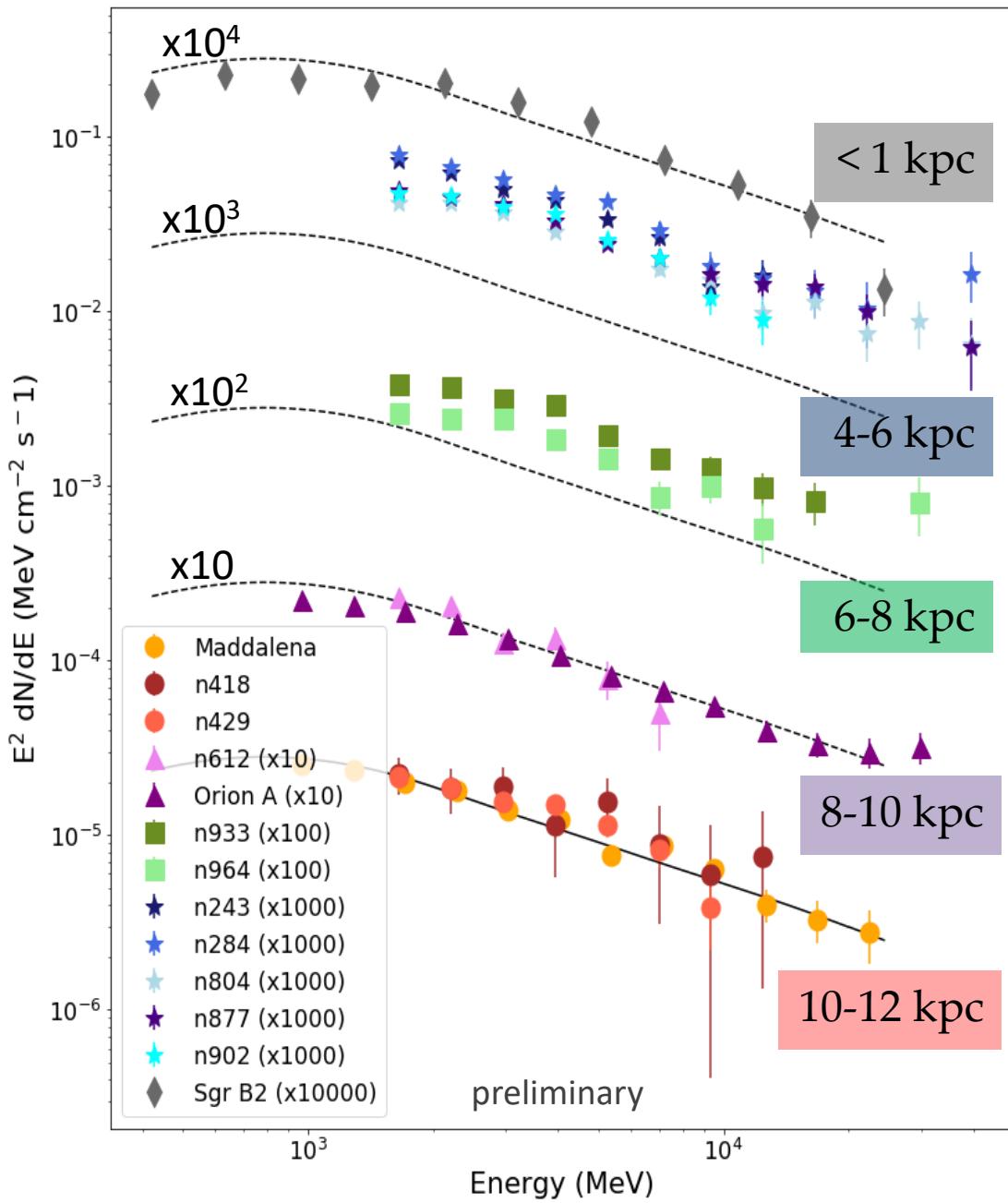




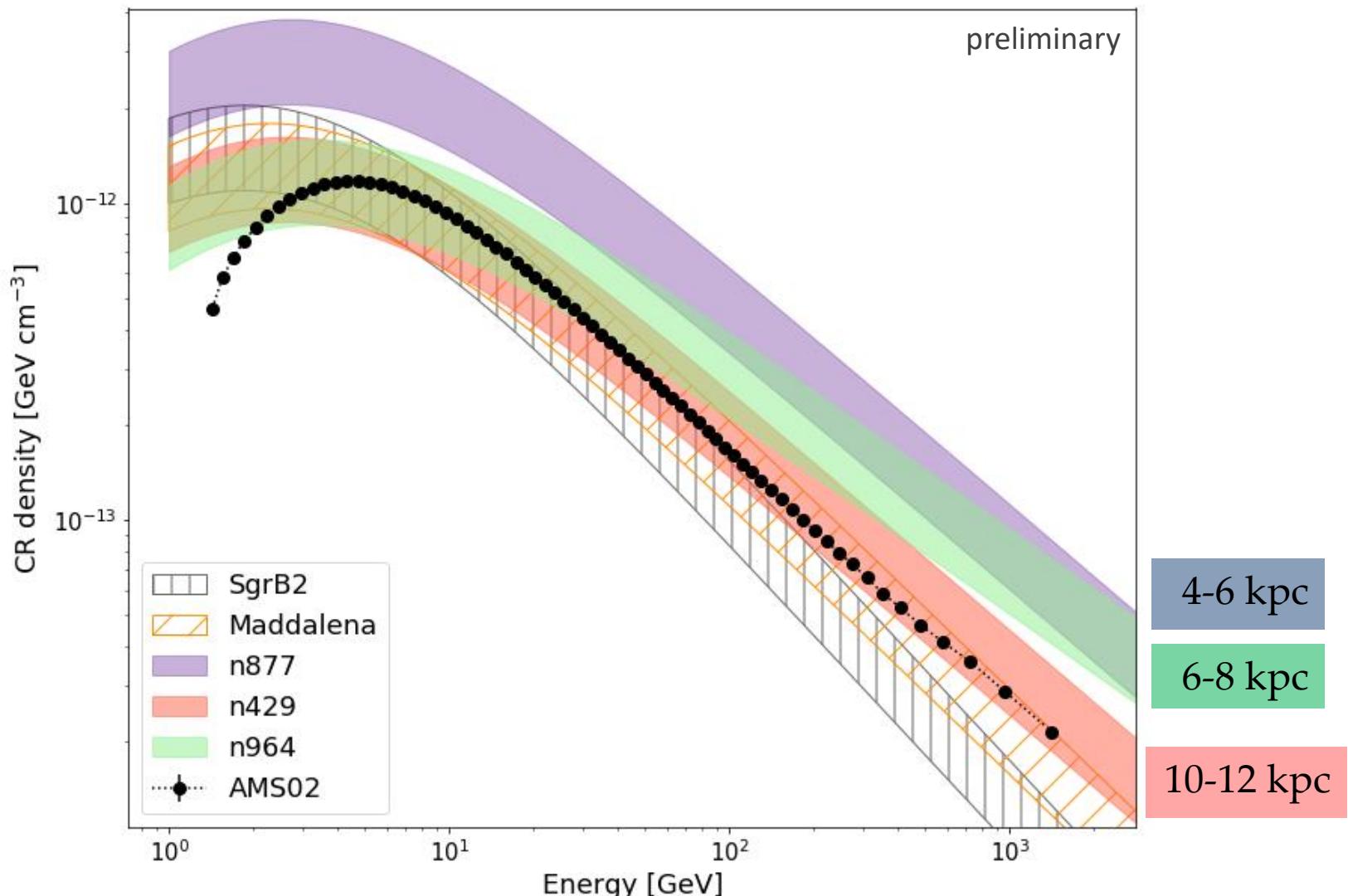


From Rice+2016 catalog (1064 clouds) 10 CLOUDS:

- $M_5/d_{kpc}^2 > 0.4$
- Dominant object in the LoS
- Different location in the Galaxy
- No overlapping with known γ -ray sources



CR proton: derived spectra from MCs



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Grazie!







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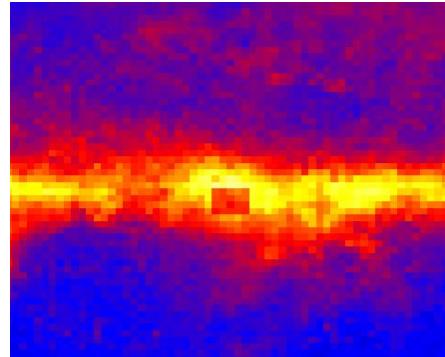
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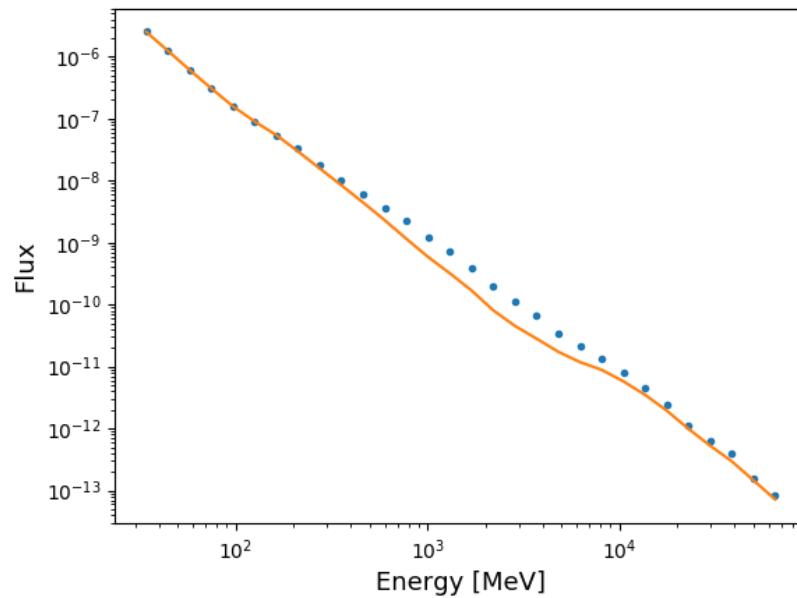
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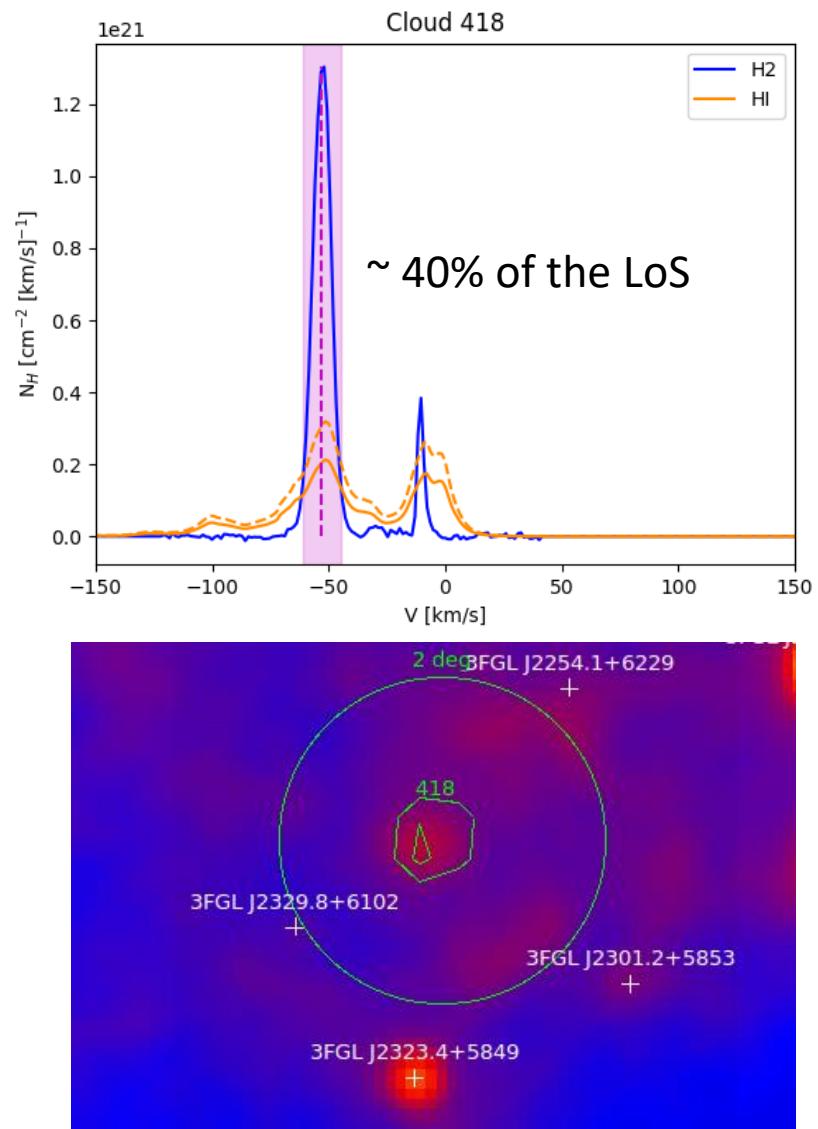
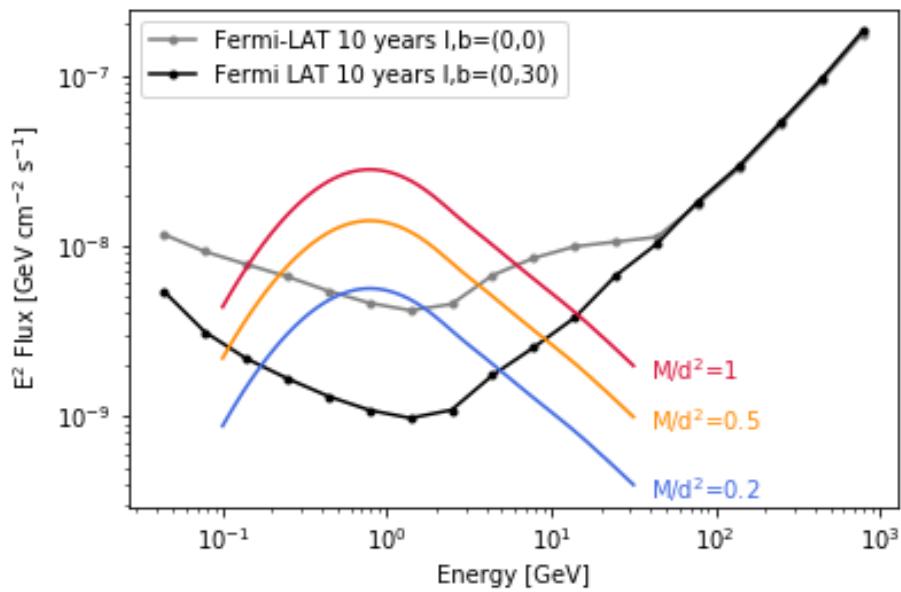
Cloud as boxes with:
-side $2r$;
-cut in velocity range;
-centered in l,b ;

as given in Rice+2016

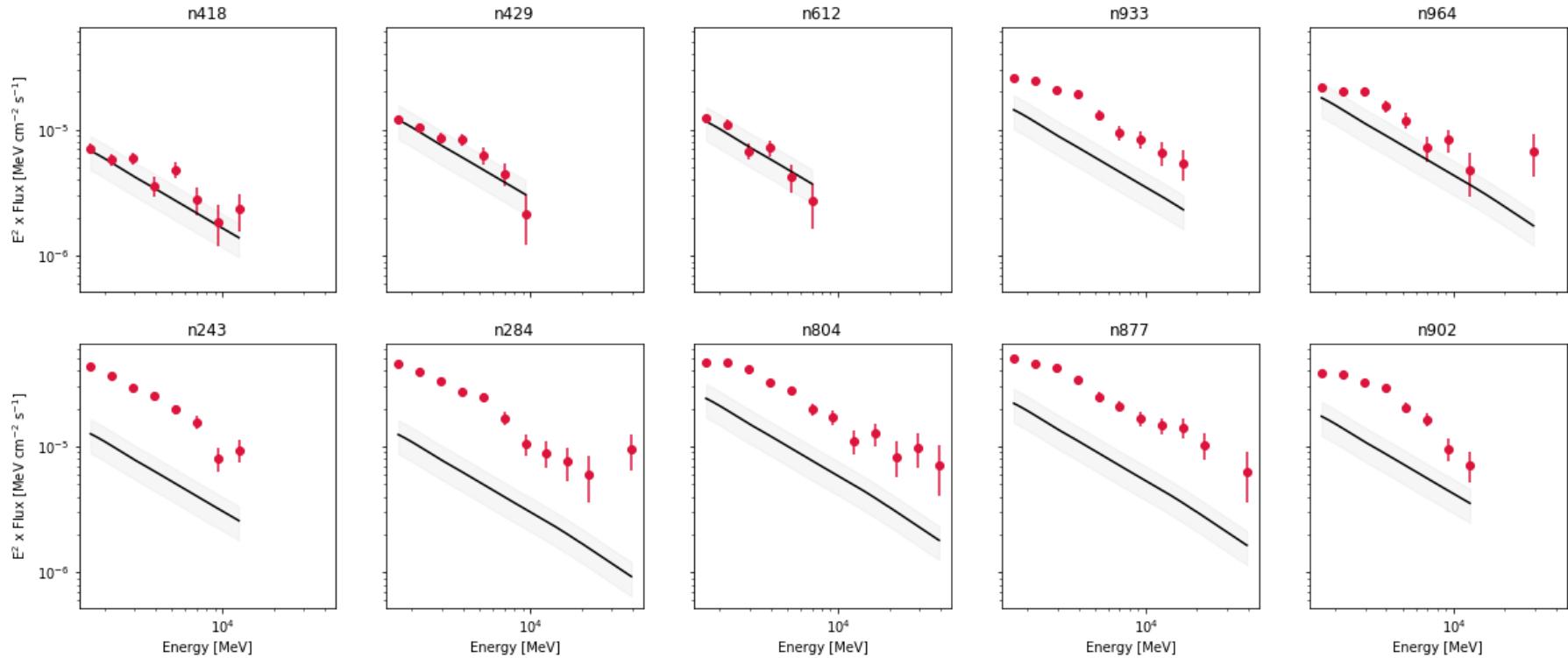


Analysis details: the selection of the MCs

- 1) Large $\frac{M_5}{d_{kpc}^2}$
- 2) No 3FGL nor HESS sources overlapping, no bright sources at < 2 degrees
- 3) Dominant object in the line of sight in term of gas (30-80% of the LoS).



Analysis details: all the spectra



Analysis details: residuals in term of TS

