

(Some) Open Issues on Galactic Cosmic Rays

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Outline and disclaimer

Given the context, **this will not be a standard review talk**, but a tool to **focus the attention and trigger the discussion** on some general important points.

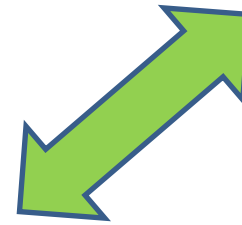
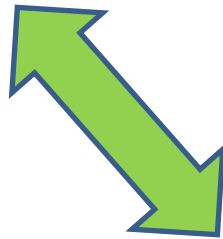
I will concentrate on Cosmic rays as they are “usually” defined, i.e. on **primary protons and heavier nuclei**.

I will not cover electrons/positrons, photons and neutrinos, nor UHECR (see elsewhere in the agenda).

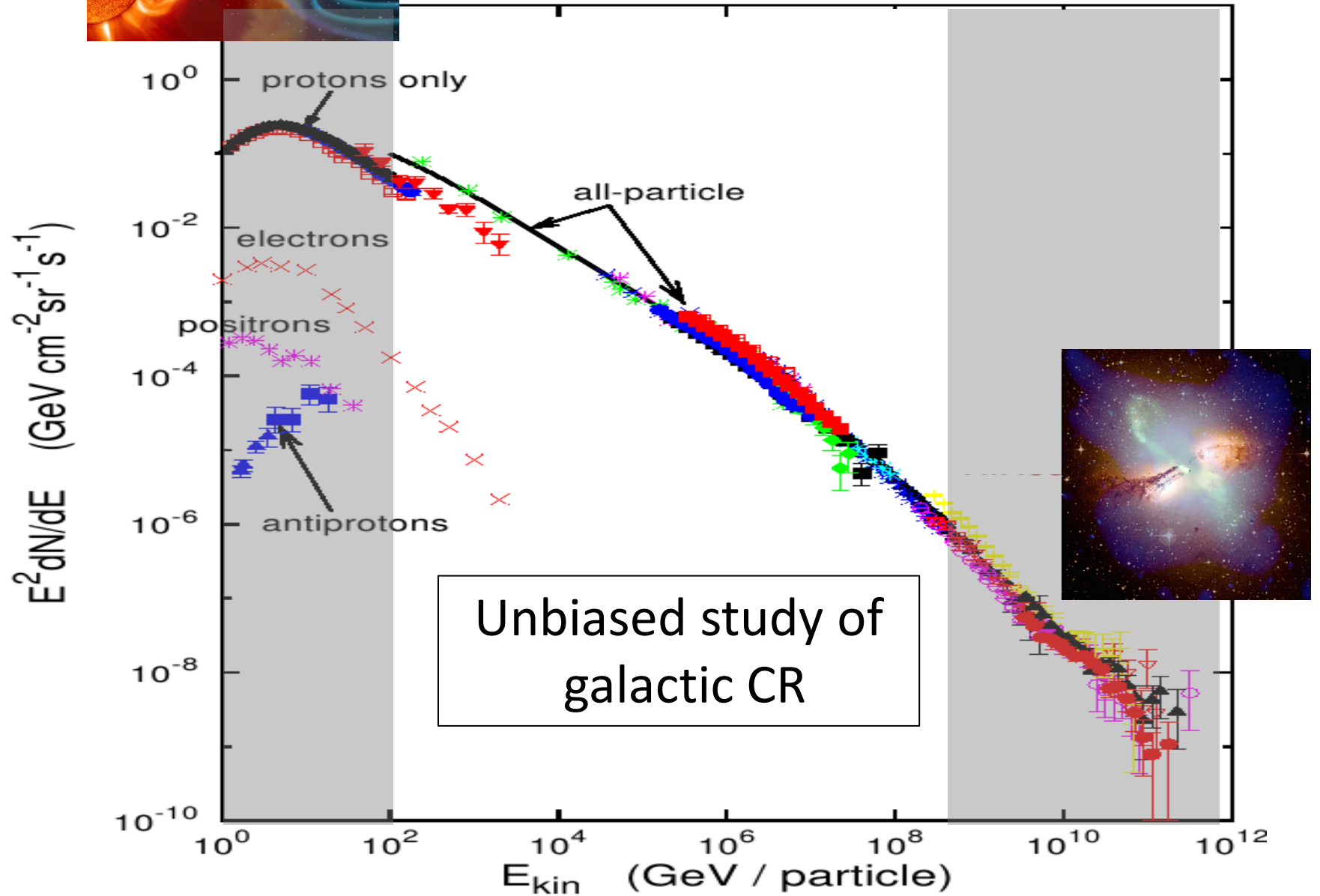
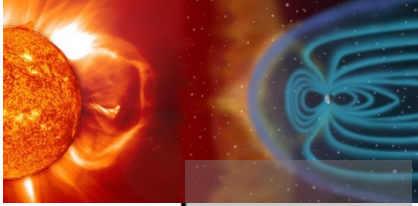
What are CR accelerators ?
How do they work ?



High(est) Energy
Particle Physics



Mass composition
Energy spectra
Arrival directions



What we have

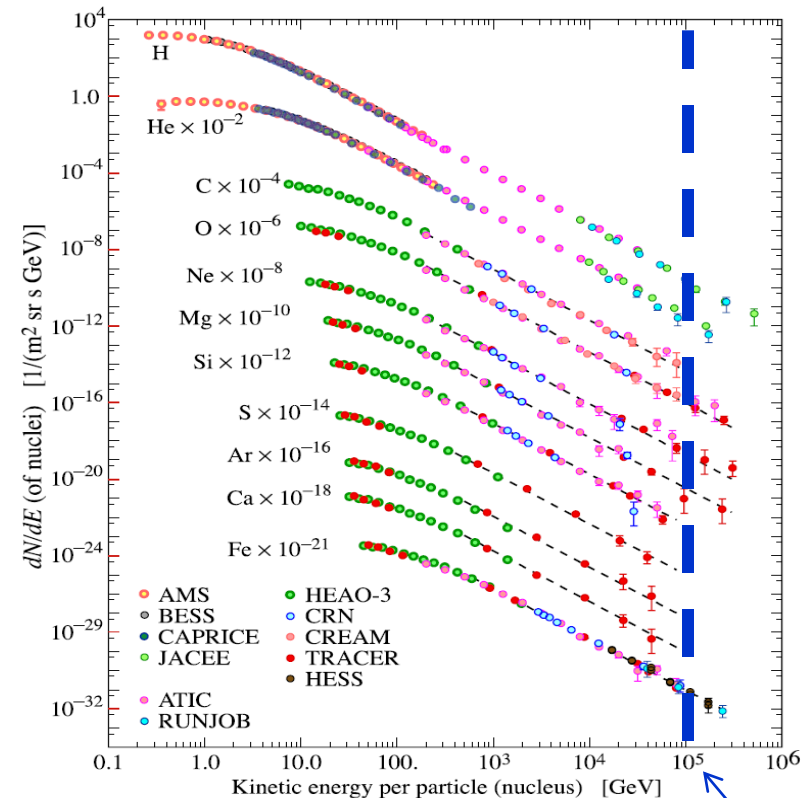
(from PDG)

Direct measurements

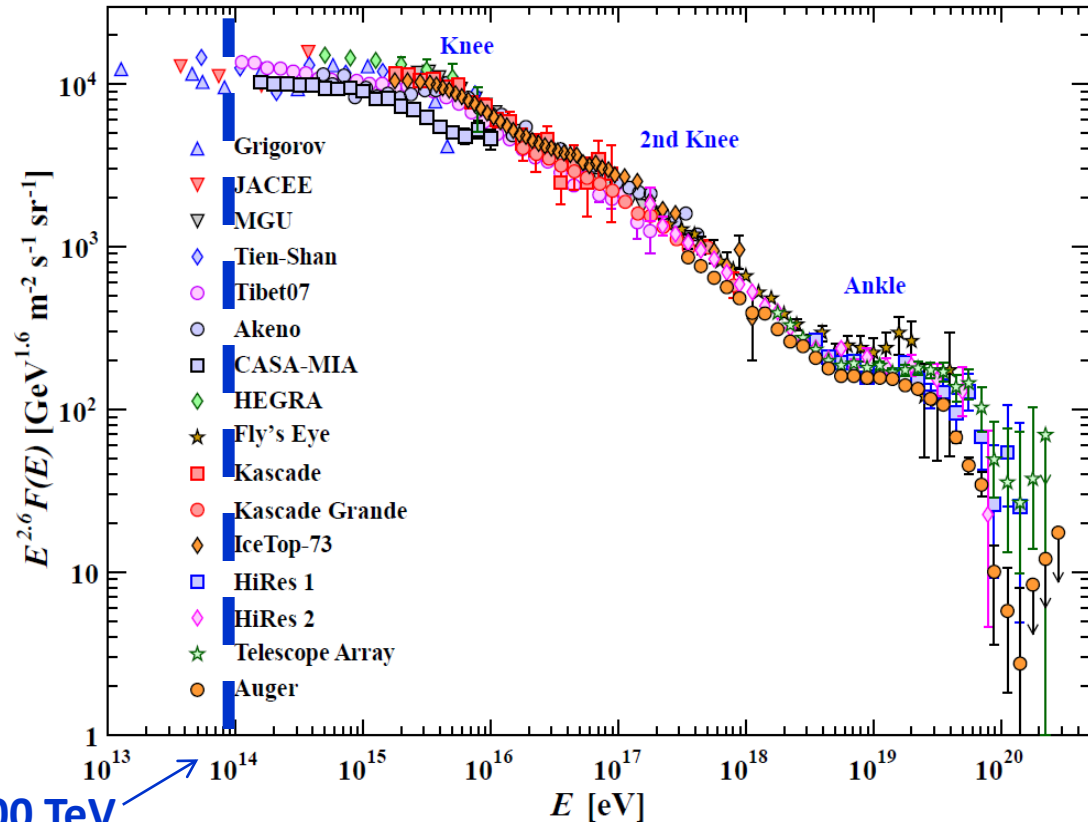
- High precision
- fluxes of single components
- (acceptance) limited in energy

Indirect measurements

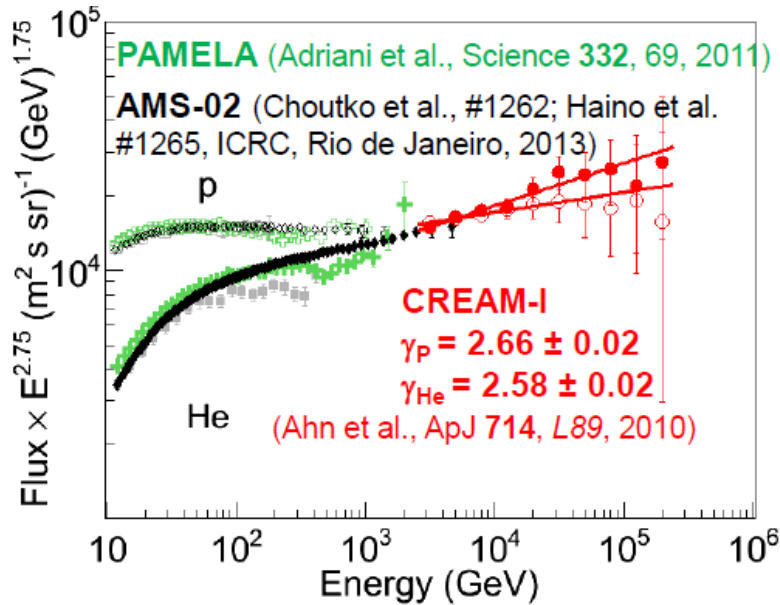
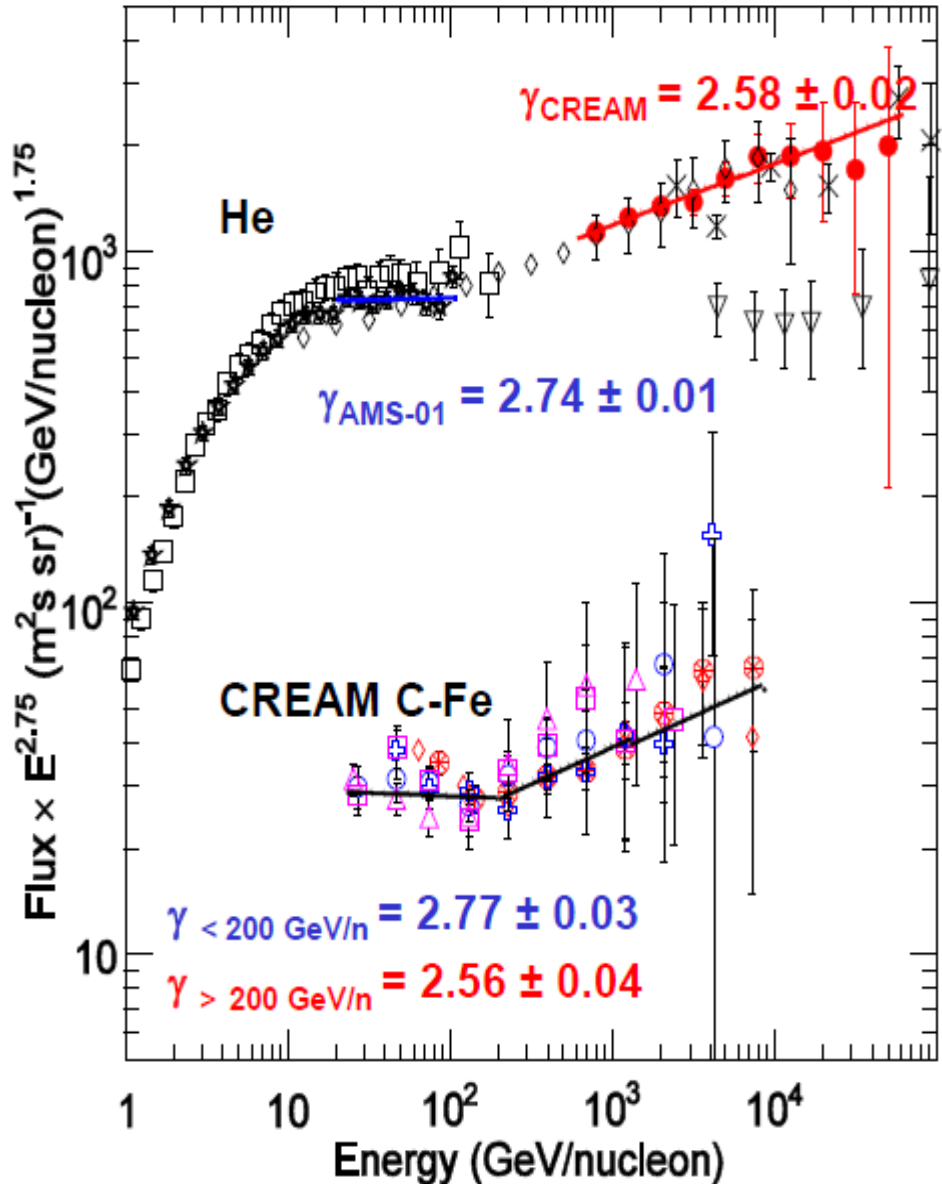
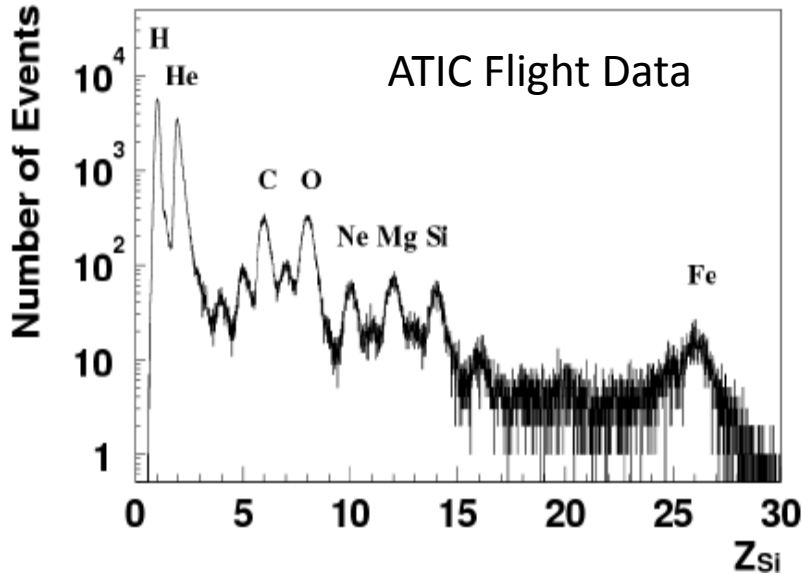
- Larger systematics
- Difficult composition measurements
- Can go to the highest energies



100 TeV



From balloons/satellites...



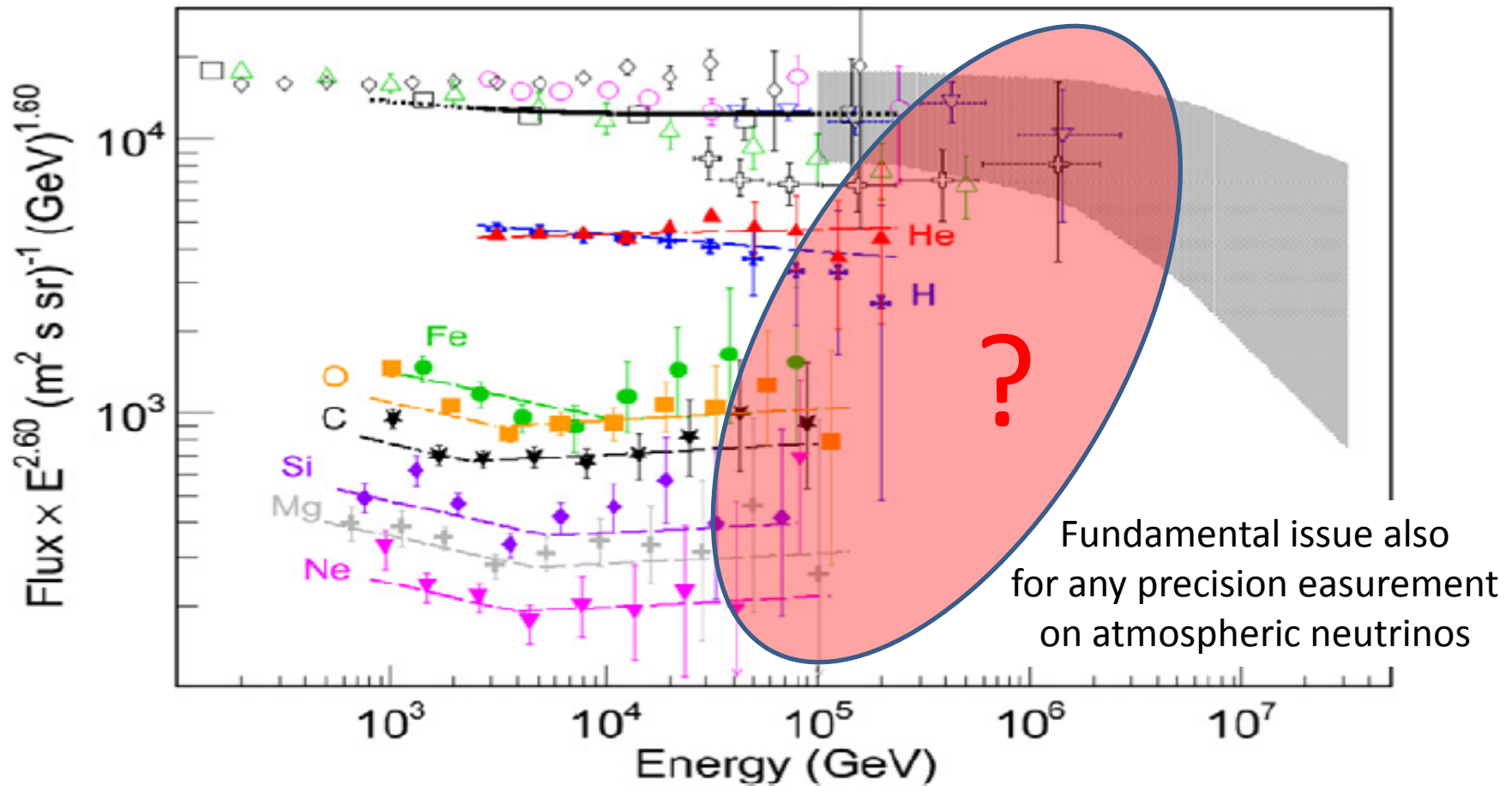
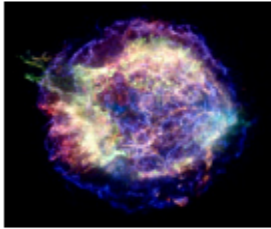


Fig. 11. The all-particle spectrum (black solid curve) obtained by summing up CREAM elemental spectra from p to Fe (filled symbols) is compared with previous measurements (open symbols): ATIC-1 [35], black squares; JACEE, blue downward triangles; RUNJOB, black crosses; Ichimura et al. [71], green upward triangles; SOKOL [72], pink circles. The gray shaded area indicates ground based indirect measurements. (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

(SNR) Maximum CR energy (for protons)

$$\varepsilon \approx 230 n_e^{1/2} u_7^2 R_{pc} \text{ TeV}$$

Cas A



$$\varepsilon \approx 160 \text{ TeV} \quad \text{shock vel} \sim 5,000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$$

T. Bell
GSSI workshop
Sep. 2014

Sedov phase



$$\varepsilon \approx 20 E_{44}^{1/3} n_e^{1/6} u_6^{4/3} \text{ TeV}$$

Blast wave energy in 10^{44}J

shock vel in $1,000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

SN expansion into circumstellar wind

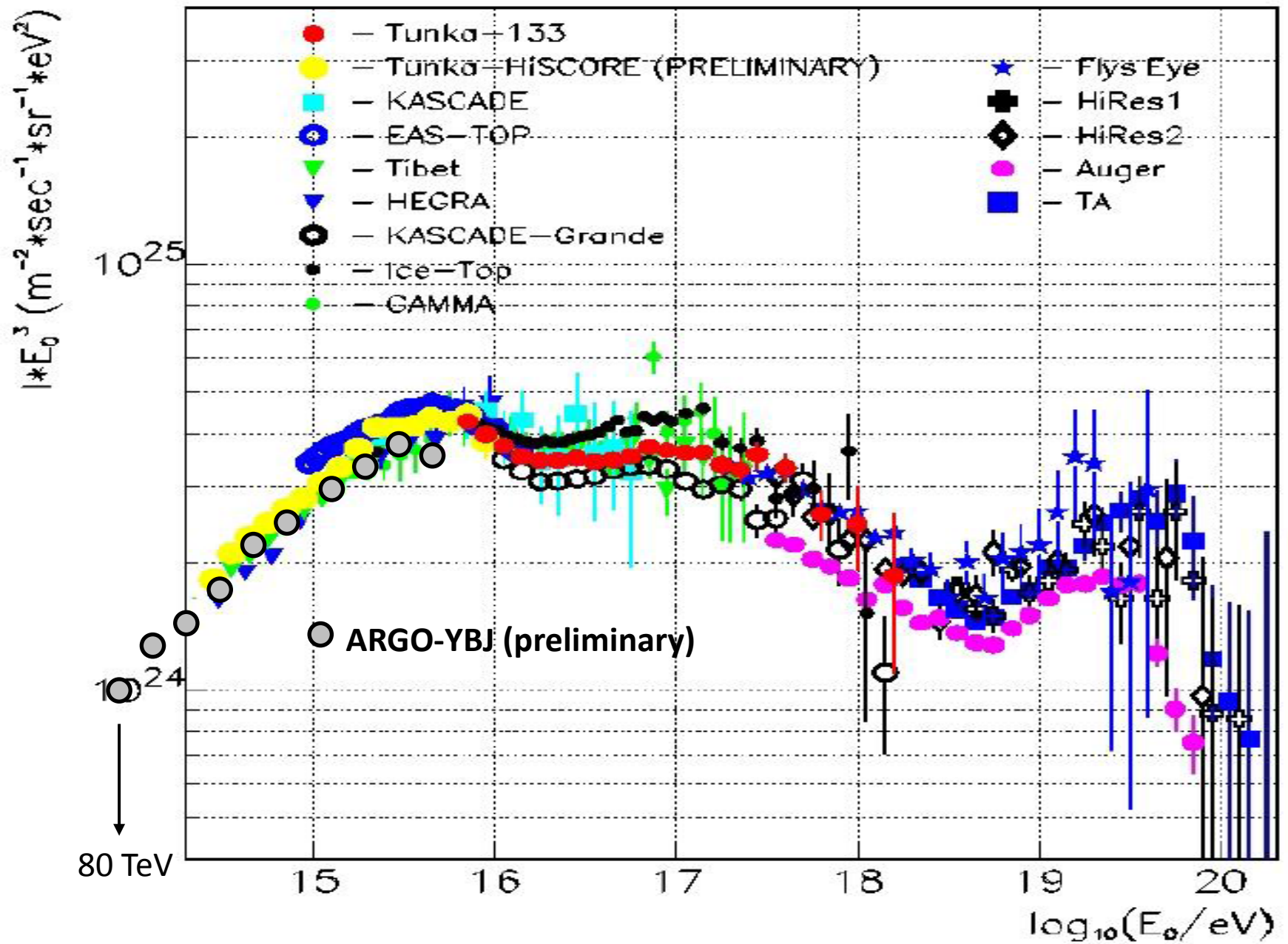


$$\varepsilon = 800 u_7^2 \sqrt{\frac{\dot{M}_5}{u_4}} \text{ TeV}$$

wind mass loss in 10^{-5} solar masses yr^{-1}

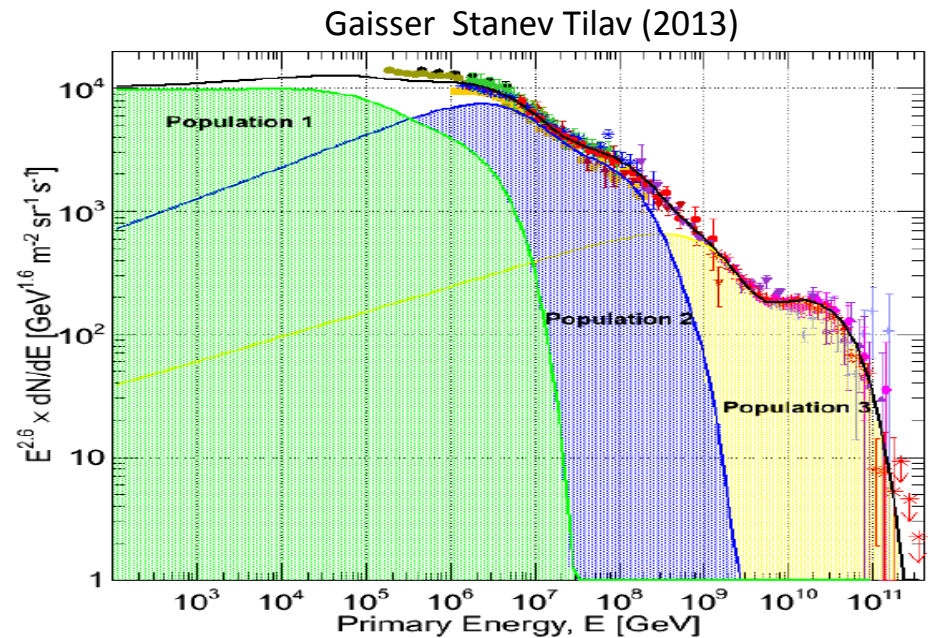
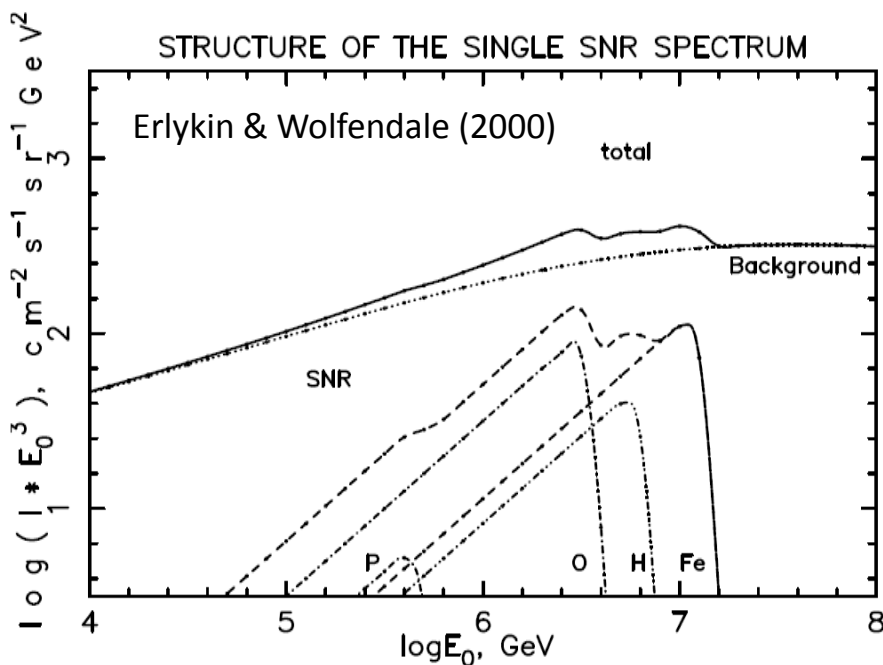
Difficult to get far beyond PeV
(Schure & Bell 2013)

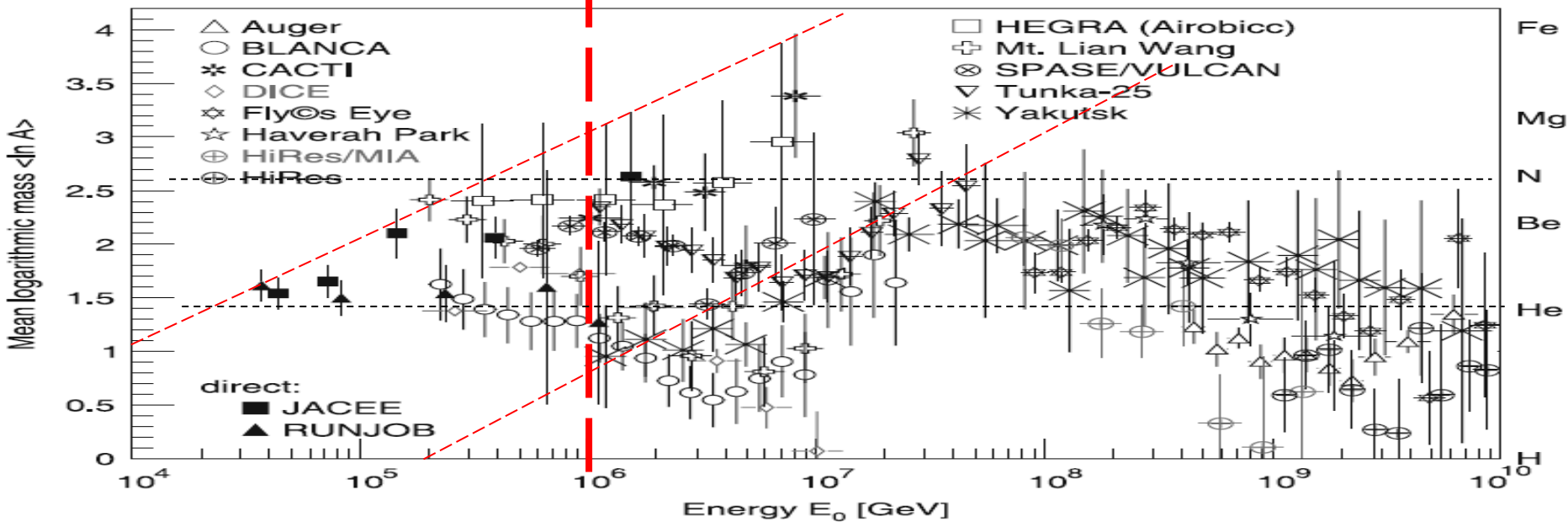
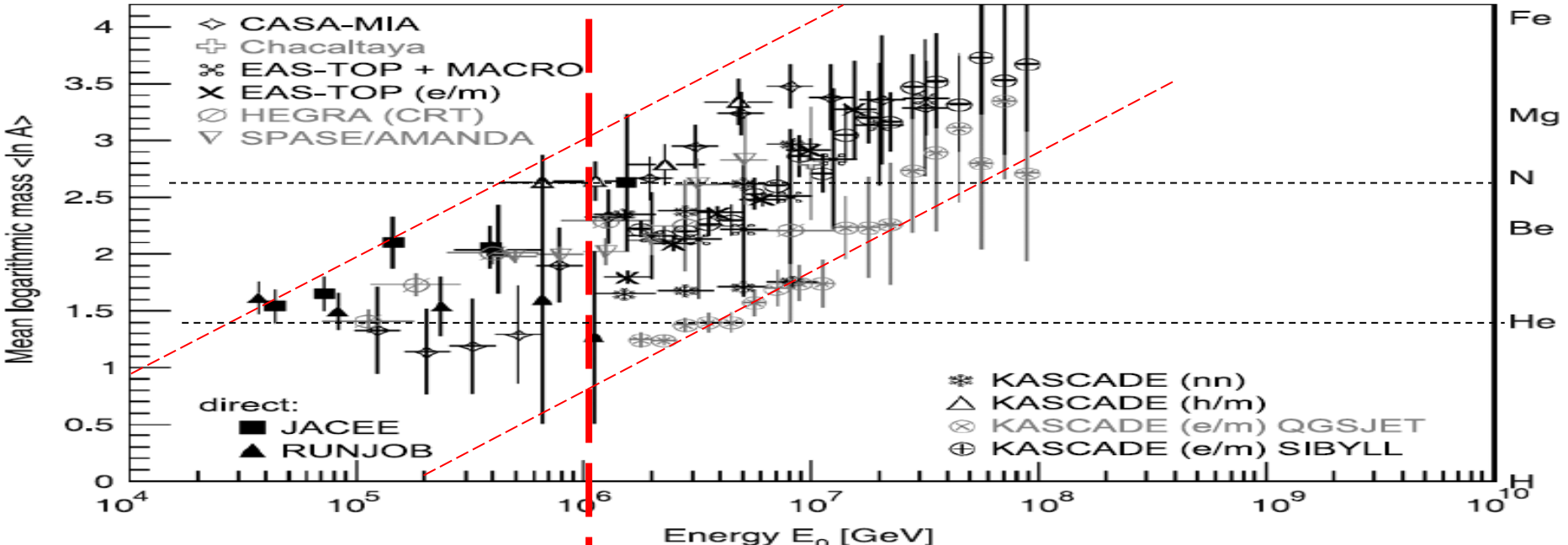
wind vel in 10 km s^{-1}

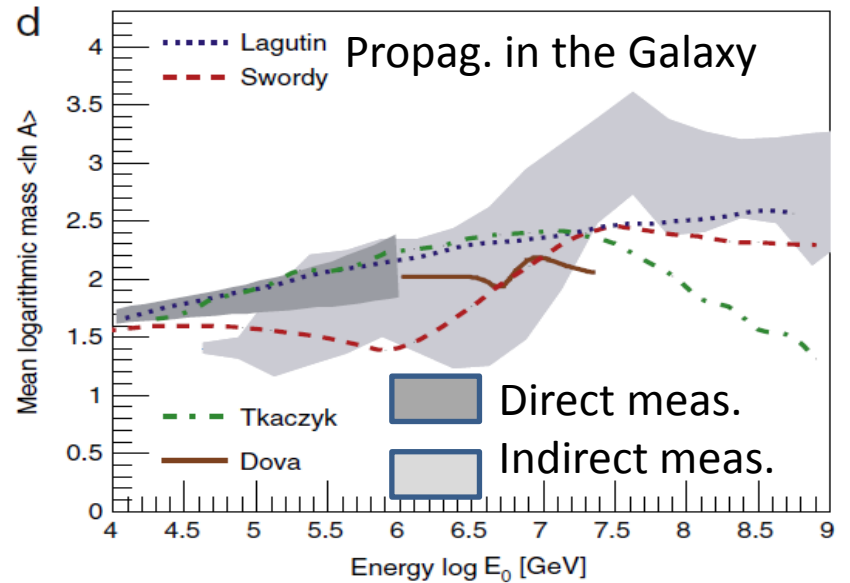
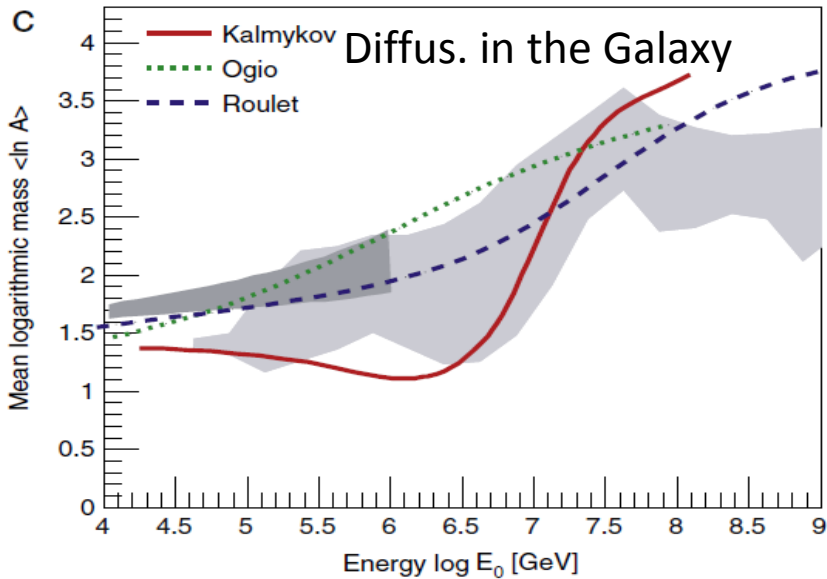
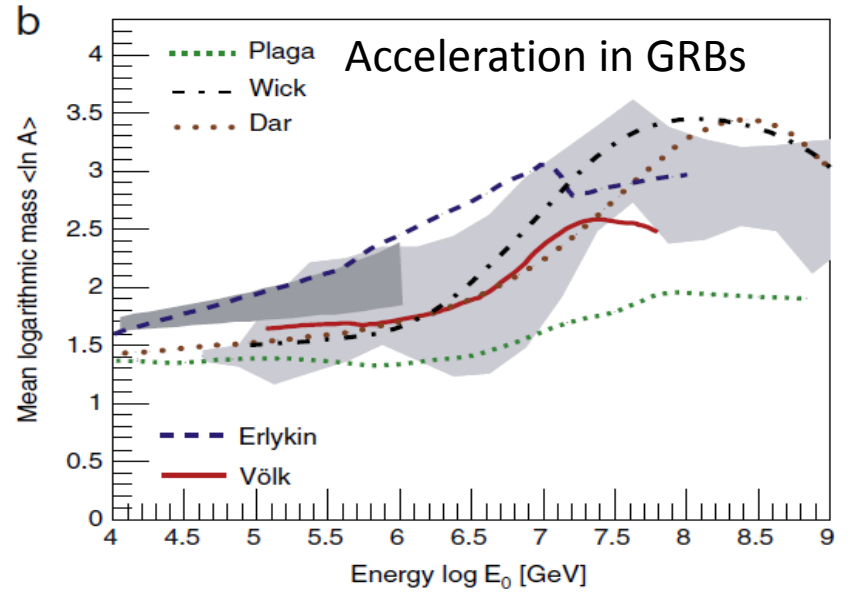
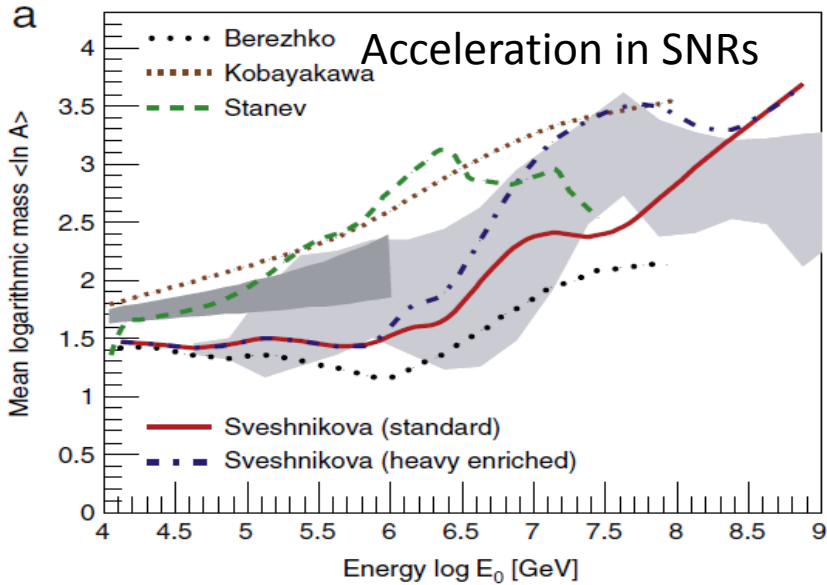


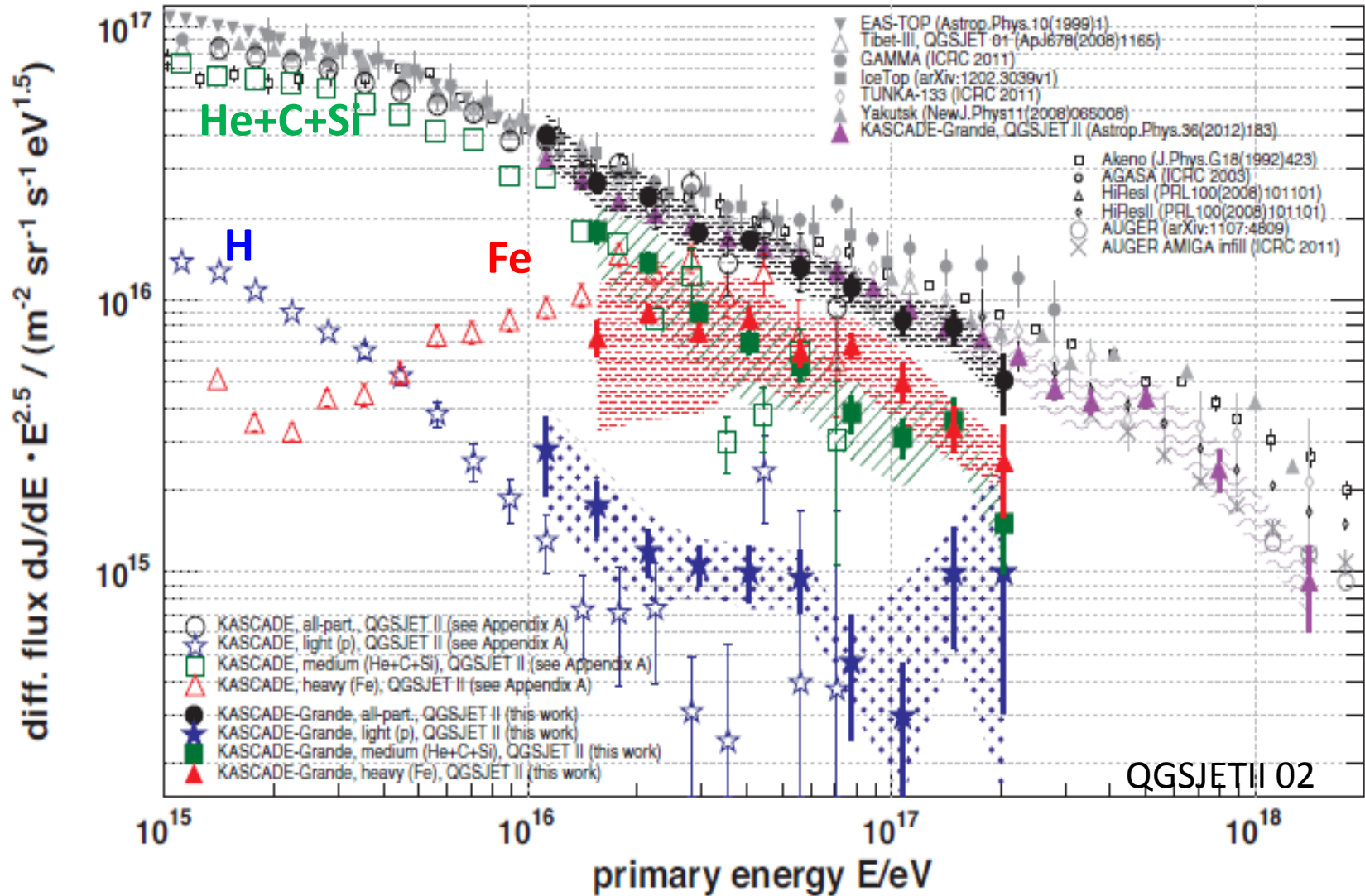
Structures in the all-particle spectrum

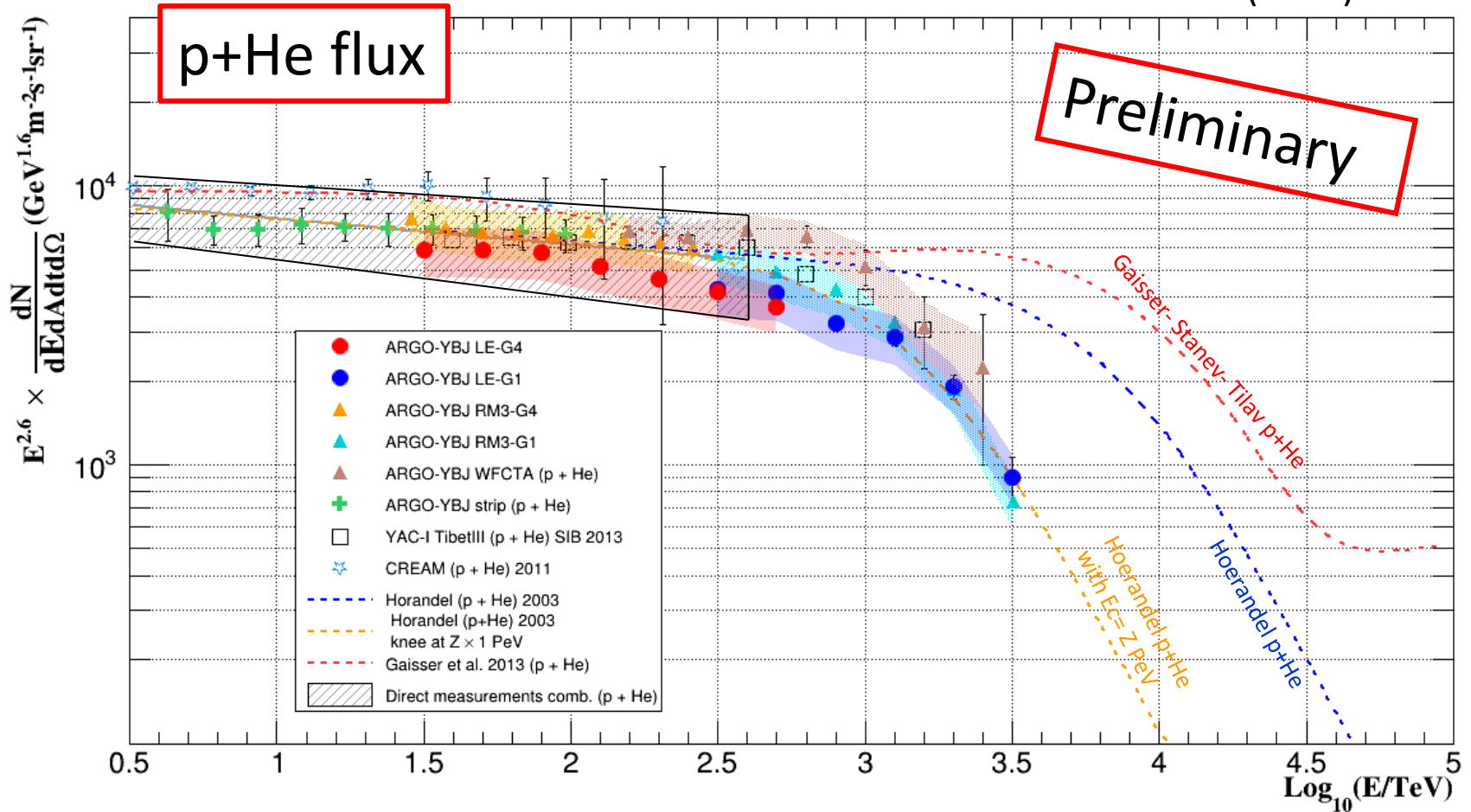
- Acceleration ? Diffusion ?
- Multiple populations ? Nearby sources ?
- Many possible answers.... (just two examples below)
- **We need to understand the mass composition across the knee**









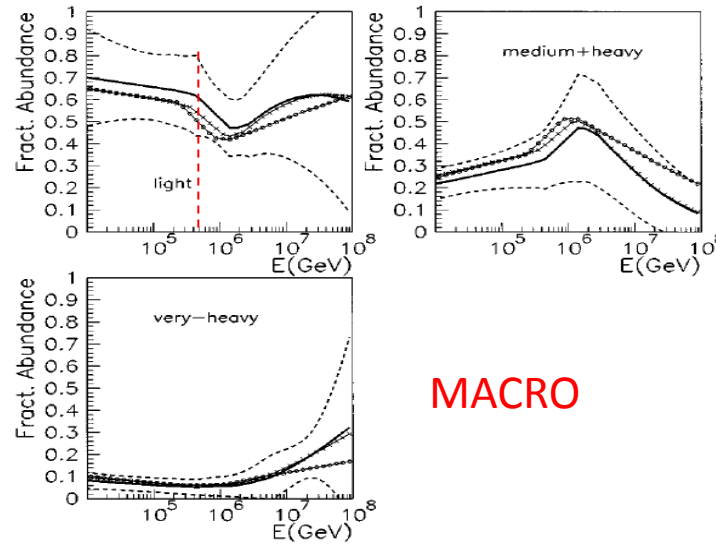
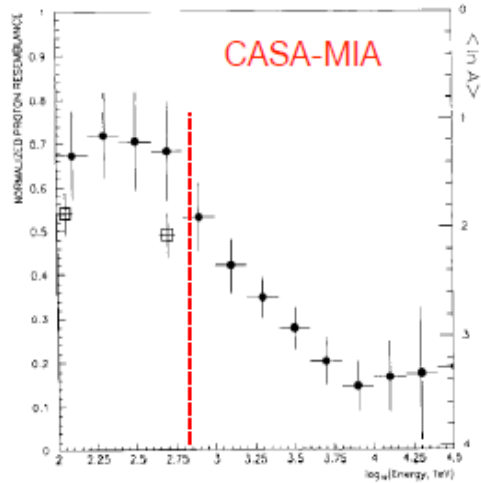


ARGO-YBJ (preliminary):

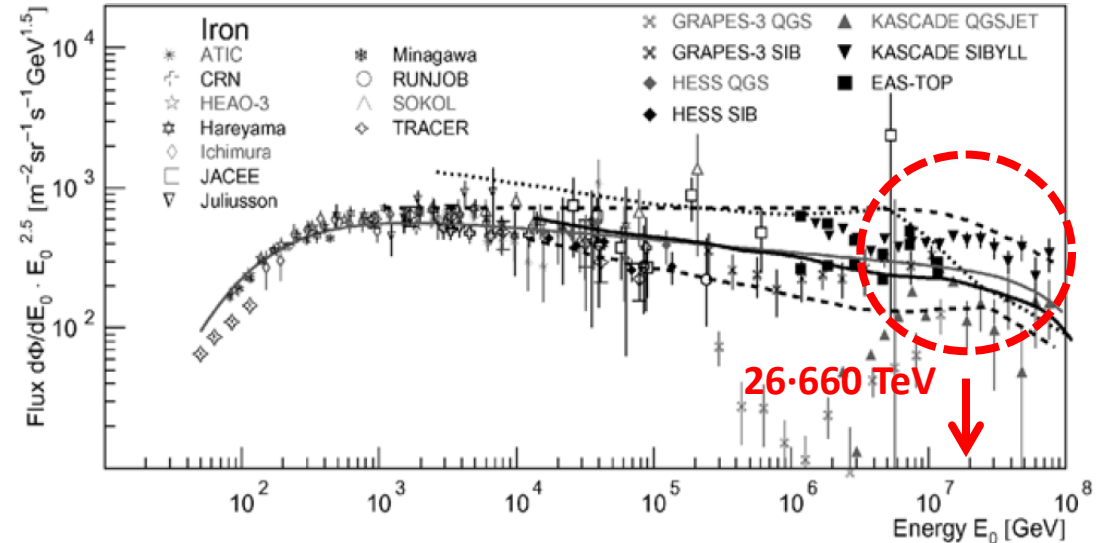
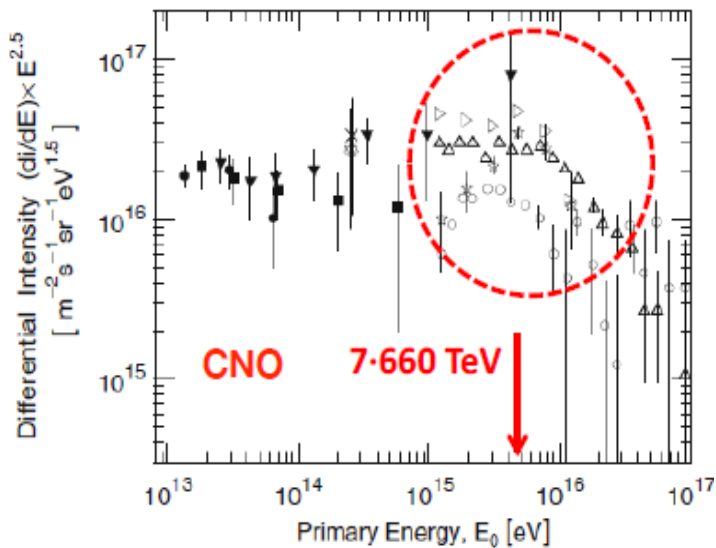
Evidence for a bending of the flux of the light component (p+He) below 1 PeV.

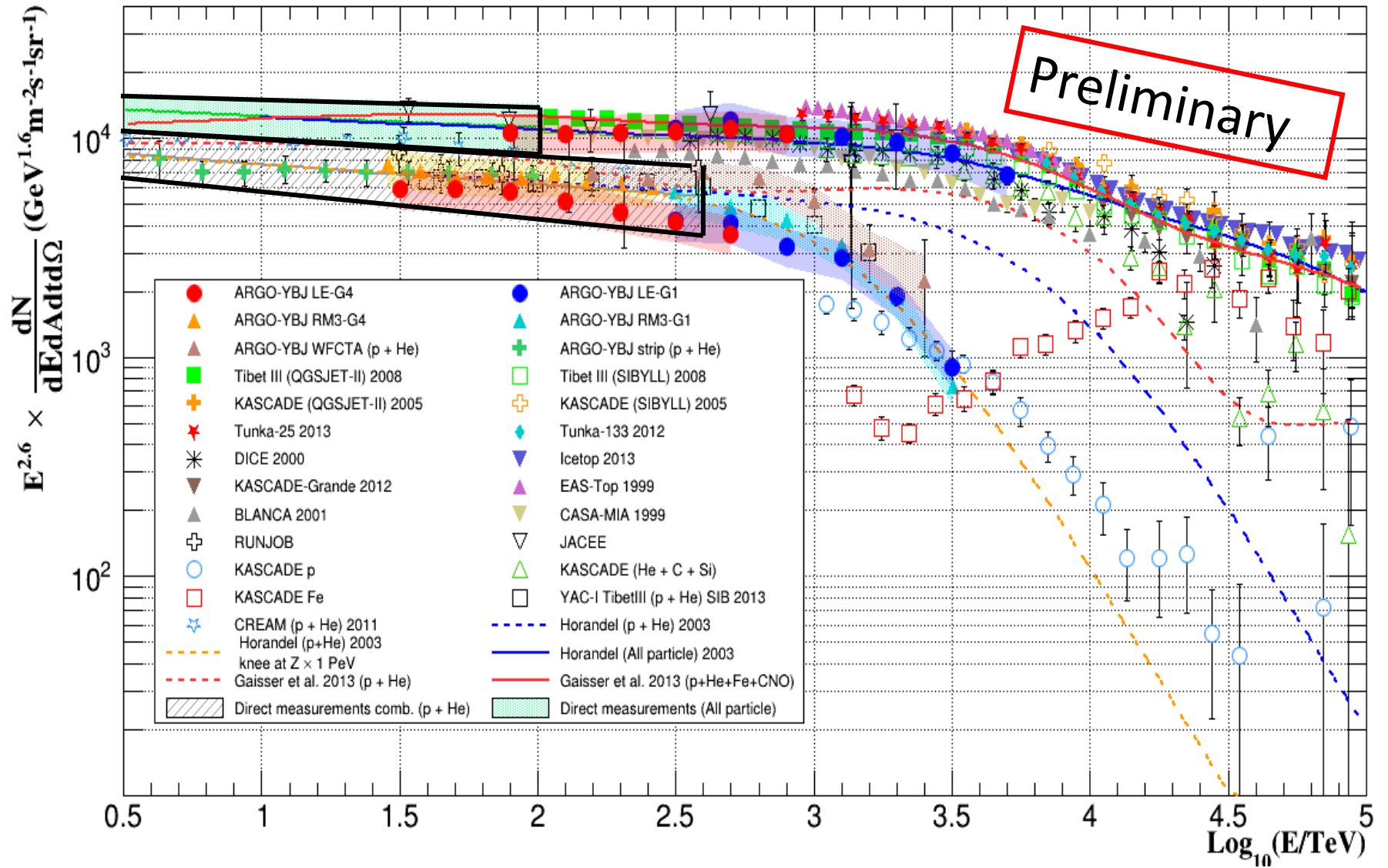
Previous hints from Tibet-AS γ and many others (see next slide)

(Some of the) previous hints for a light component bending below 1 PeV



- TIBET-ASy
- CASA-MIA
- CHACALTAYA
- MACRO
- EAS-TOP + MACRO
- Delayed hadrons
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What 's ... ~~next~~ ... needed

- Focus on the 100TeV-10 PeV energy region
- Measure the “knees” of each species

HECR
spectroscopy



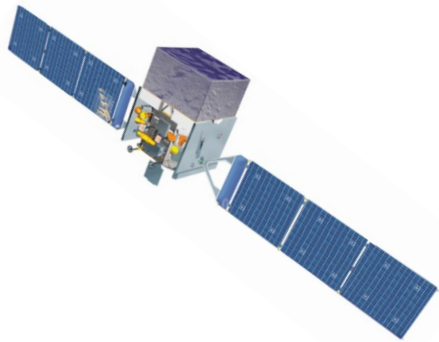
Together with high
energy gamma and
neutrinos astronomies

- Identify galactic sources
- Understand acceleration and diffusion mechanisms
- Better understand the transition to extragalactic

How to get it ?



Athens , first What Next workshop, ~360 a.C. (about 50 participants..)



Direct measurements

Requirements:

- Calorimetry vs Spectrometry
- Large acceptances
- <20% resolutions

Output:

Fully explore the sub-PeV region

Limitations:

- Surface/weight limited
- Hard to reach the all-particle knee
- Need high technology



Indirect measurements

Requirements:

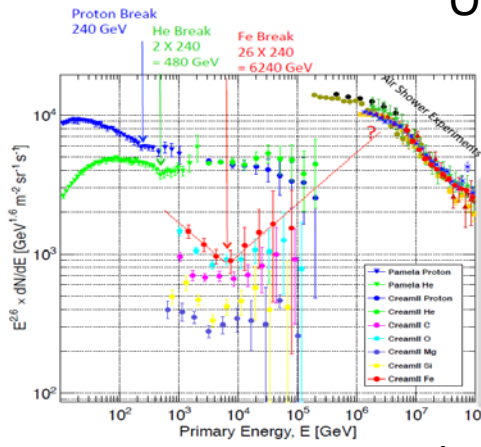
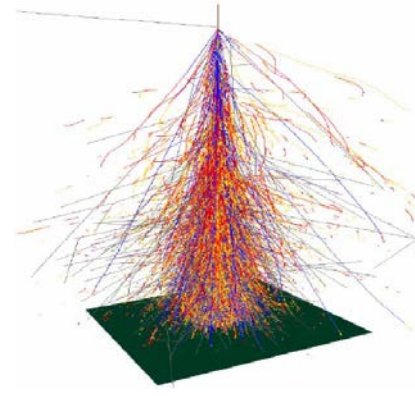
- Multi-Hybrid approach
- Operate at (not too) high altitude
- Large surfaces / samplings

Output:

Reach the highest energies

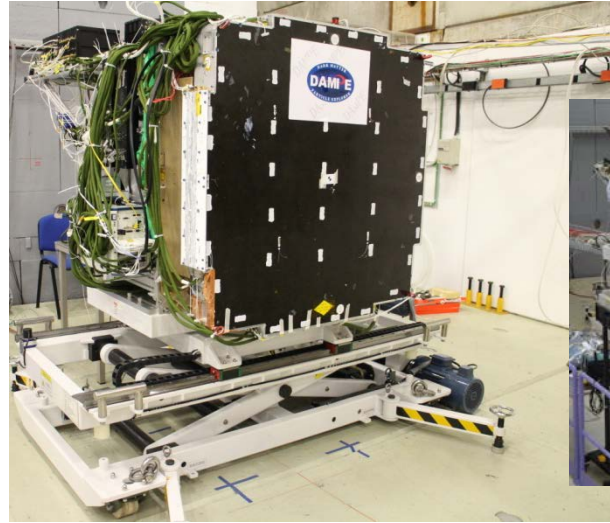
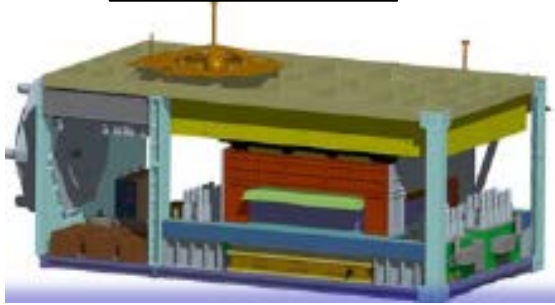
Limitations:

- Very poor mass resolution
- Intrinsically limited by systematics
- Give many hints but few answers

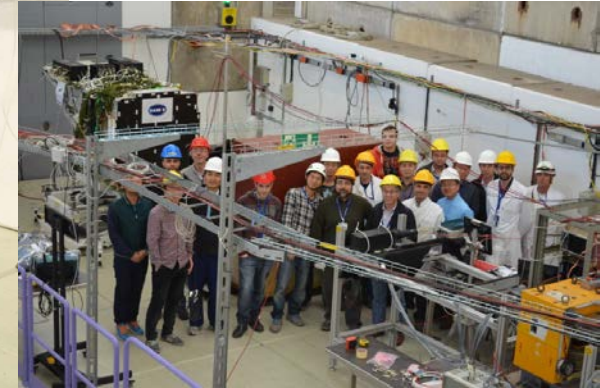


Current and Future projects (space)

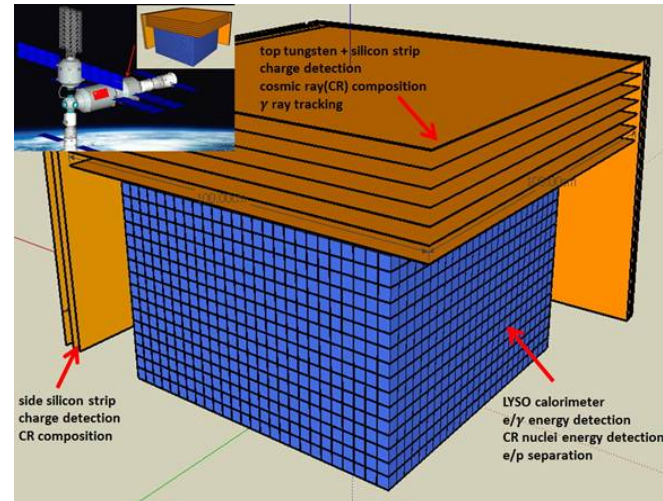
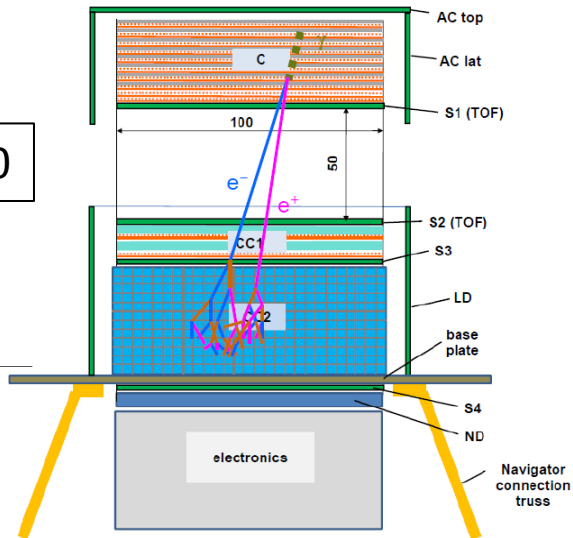
ISS_CREAM



DAMPE



Gamma-400



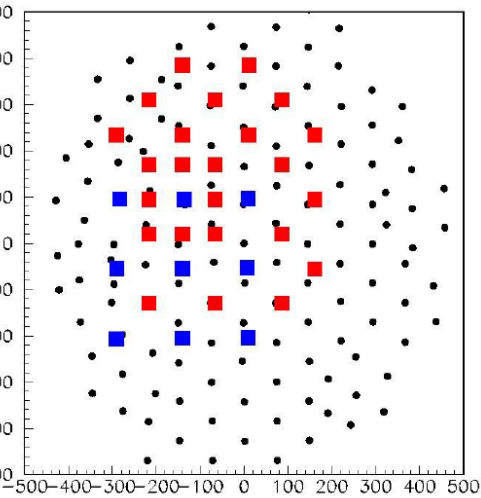
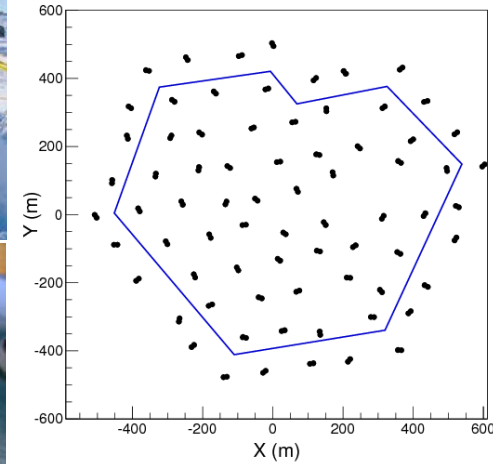
HERD

Current and Future projects (ground)

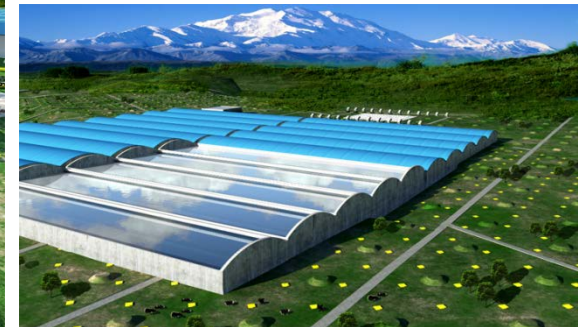
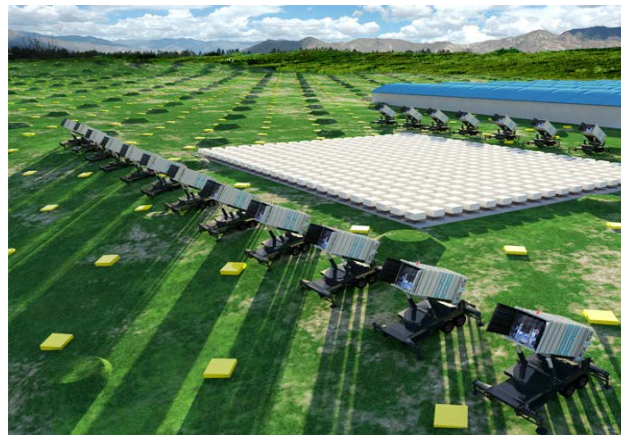
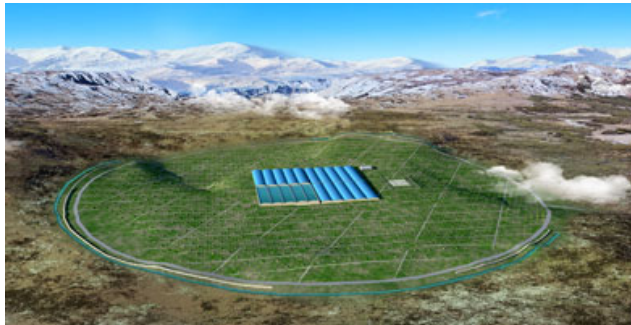
TUNKA-HighSCORE



Ice-Top



LHAASO



Summary (1)

- ✓ We need “Cosmic Ray spectroscopy” across the knee in order to answer the main questions
- Sources and their distributions
- Acceleration processes
- Propagation
- Transition to extragalactic flux
- (building blocks for UHECR physics)

Summary (2)

✓ What kind of experiment ?

- Extend direct measurements at the largest possible energies
- Use hybrid approaches in order to limit the systematics of indirect measurements

Summary (3)

- **Multimessenger** information is more than welcome, but cannot give the answers without the above.
- Precision physics on **atmospheric neutrinos** possible only if CRs in the sub-PeV region (mainly p and He) are sufficiently well know,

More stuff

