

Balloon & Satellite Experiments: Non-magnet detectors

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Interactions (ISVHECRI 2010)
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SOURCES

SNRs, shocks
Superbubbles

photon emission
acceleration

P
He
C, N, O etc.
Z = 1-92

Exotic Sources:
Antimatter
Dark matter etc..

Interstellar medium

X, γ

e^-

Energy losses
Reacceleration
Diffusion
Convection

P
He
C, N, O etc.

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Synchrotron

γ

Inverse Compton

gas

Bremstrahlung

e^+e^-
 $\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$

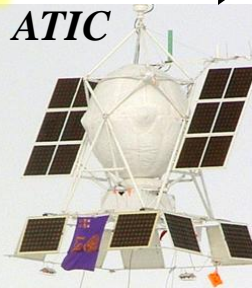
gas

spallation

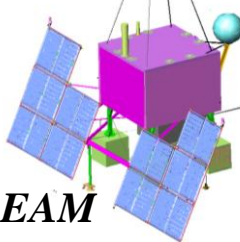
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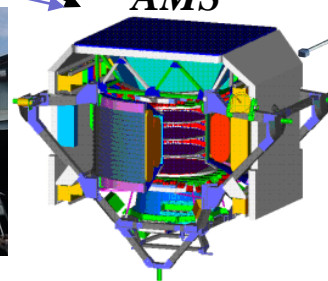
ATIC



CREAM



BESS



AMS



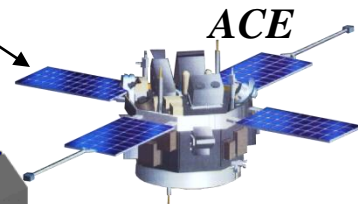
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Fermi

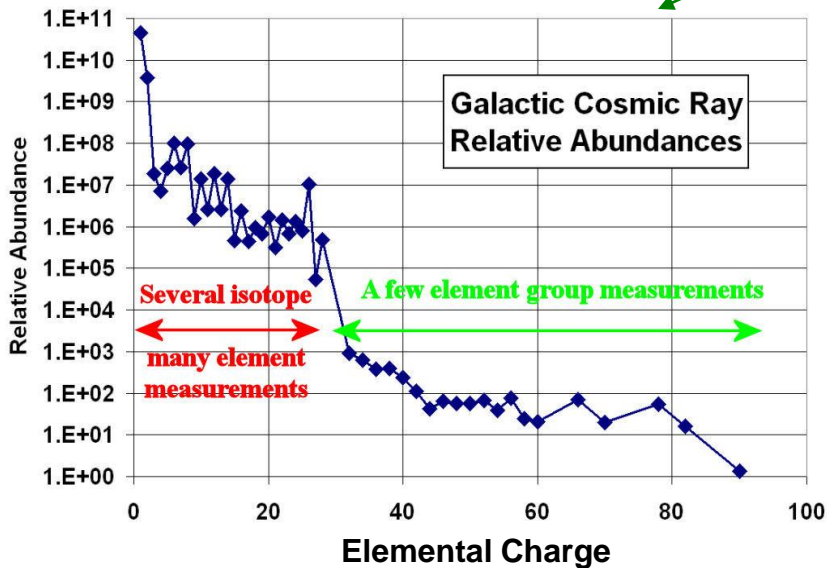


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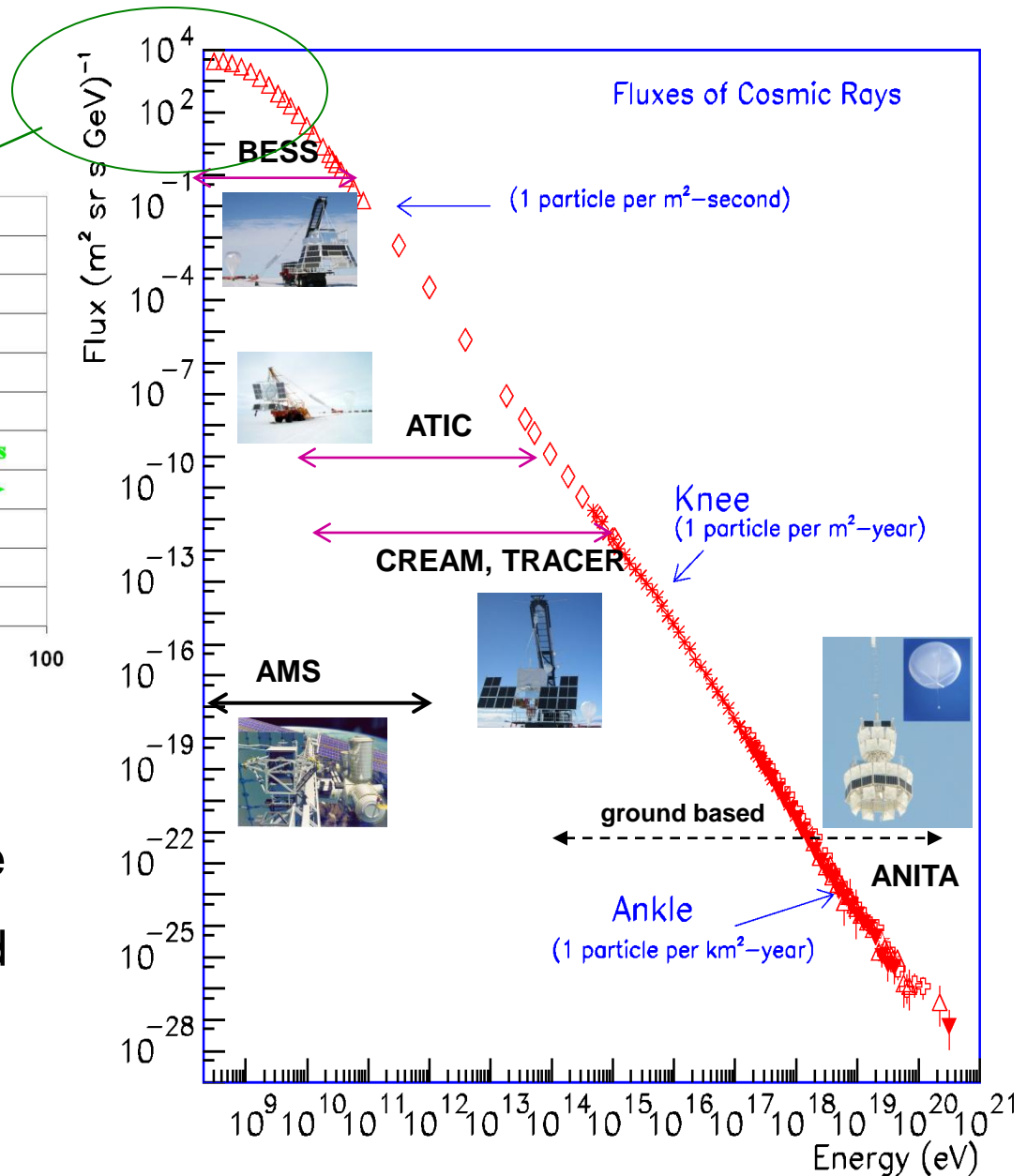


ACE

How do cosmic accelerators work?

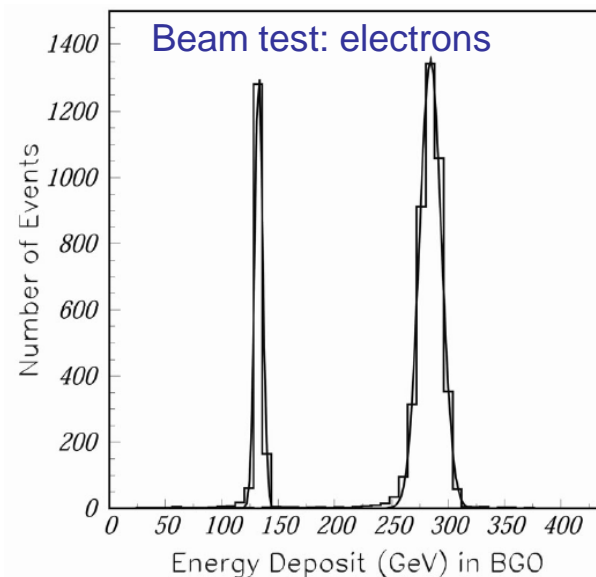
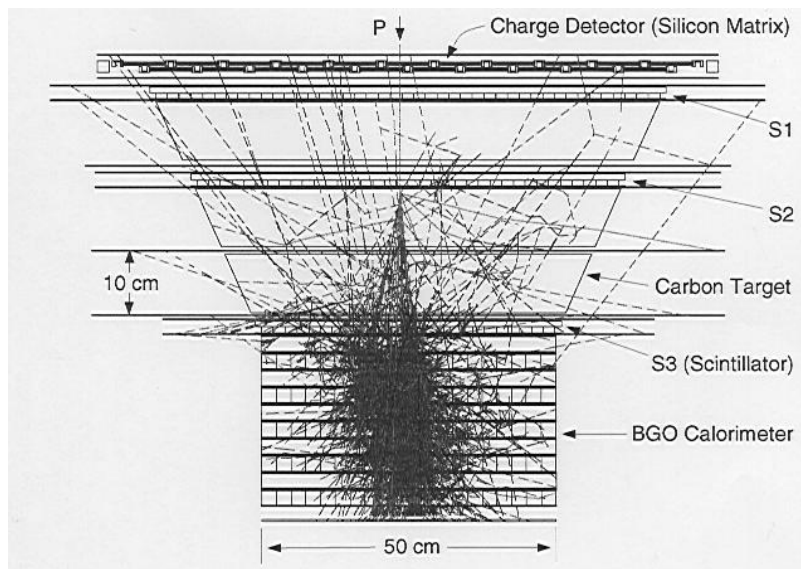


- Relative abundances range over 11 orders of magnitude
- Detailed composition limited to less than ~ 10 GeV/nucleon

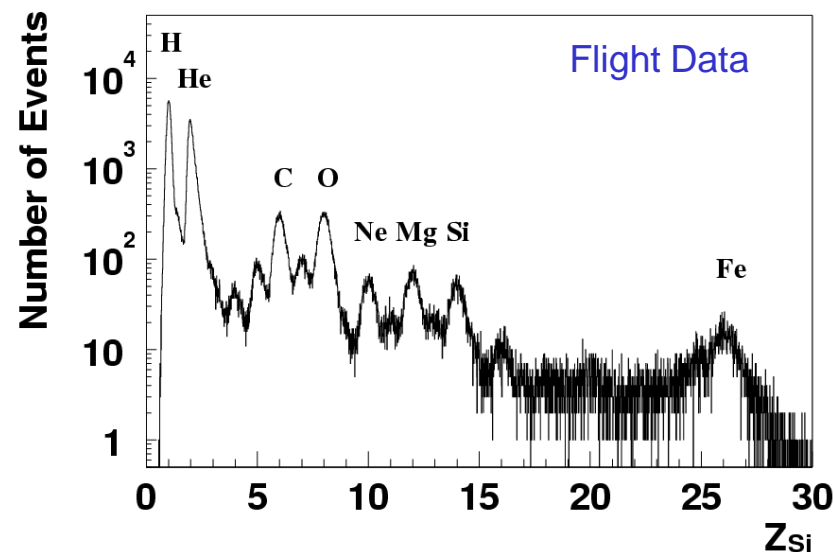


Advanced Thin Ionization Calorimeter (ATIC)

Seo et al. *Adv. in Space Res.*, **19** (5), 711, 1997; Ganel et al. *NIM A*, **552**(3), 409, 2005



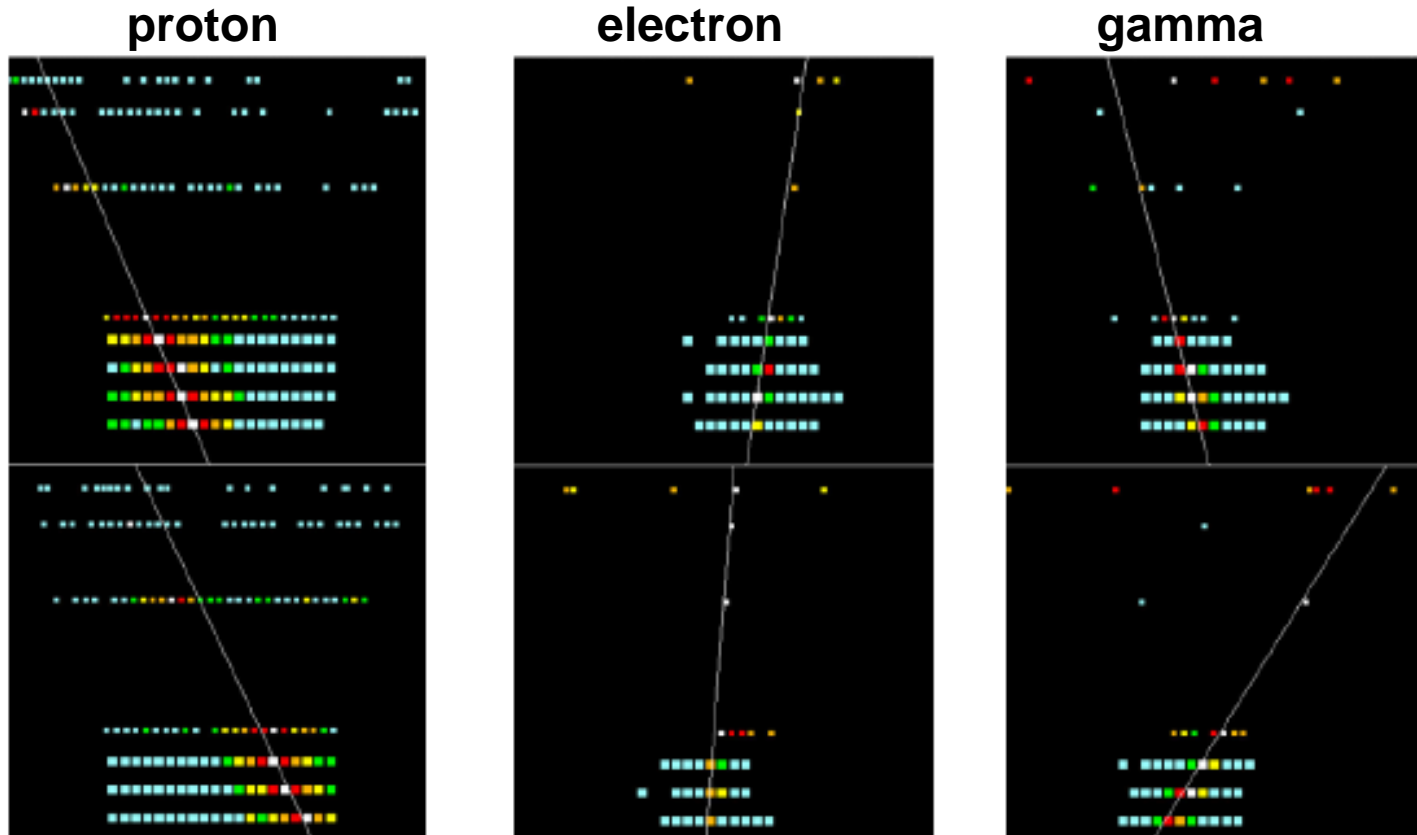
- Beam measurements for 150 GeV electrons show 91% containment of incident energy, with a resolution of 2% at 150 GeV
- Proton containment ~38%



Electron Selection

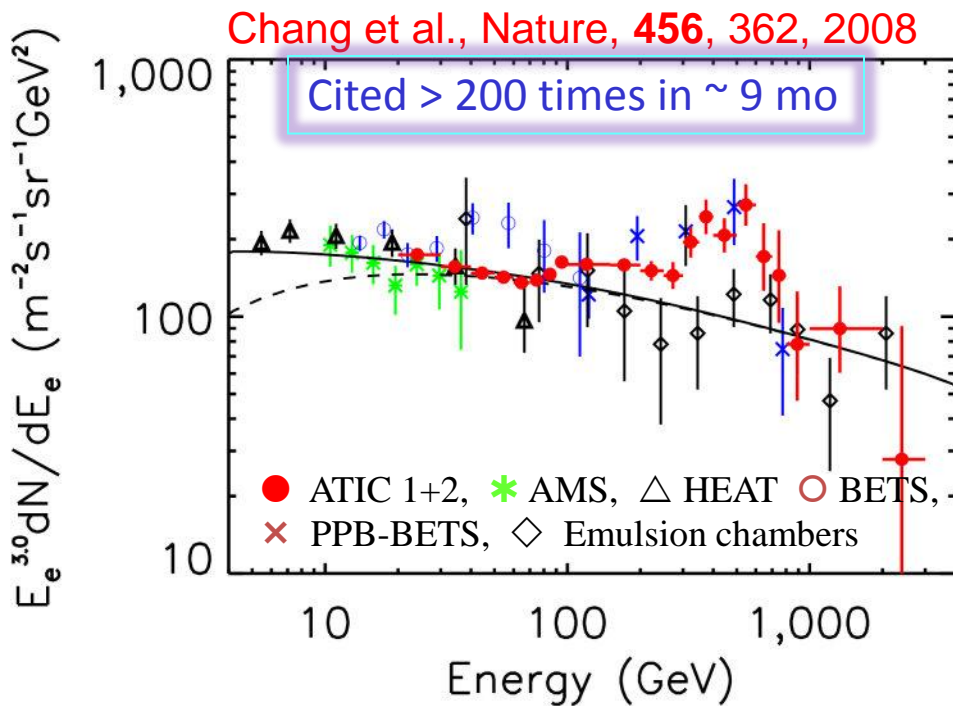
Reject all but 1 in 5000 protons while keeping 84% of the electrons

- Remove heavy ions with $Z_{Si} \geq 2$ and γ -ray with $Z_{Si} = 0$
- Separate e from p using shower profile in the calorimeter
 - Electron and gamma-ray showers are narrower than the proton showers

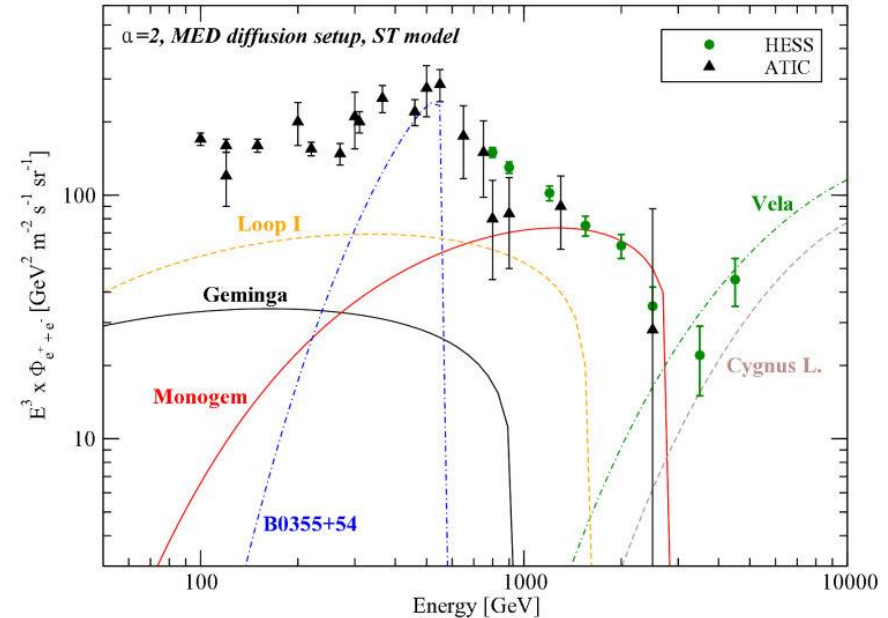


$E_d \sim 250 \text{ GeV}$

The ATIC Electron Results Exhibits a "Feature"



Profuma (arXiv: 0812.4457v1), 2008

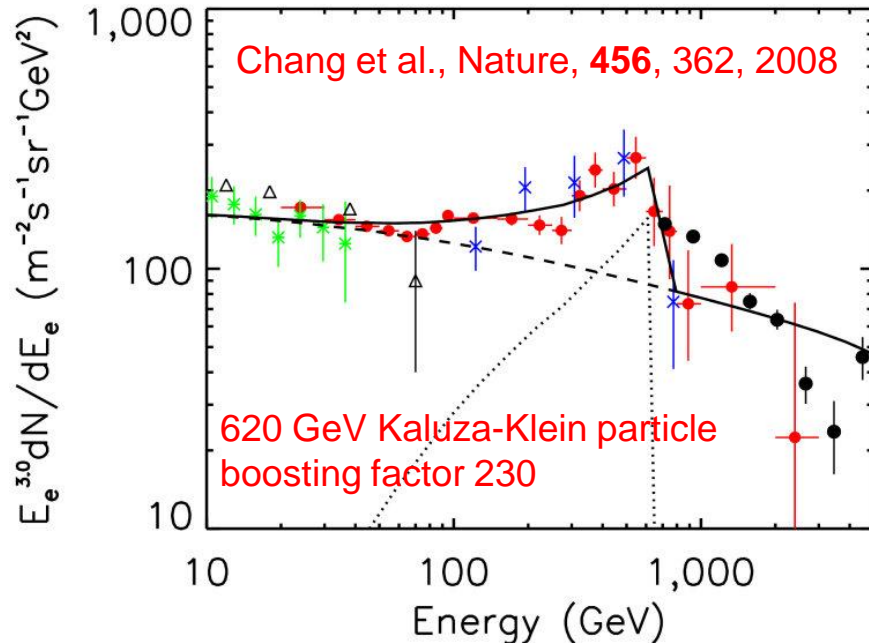
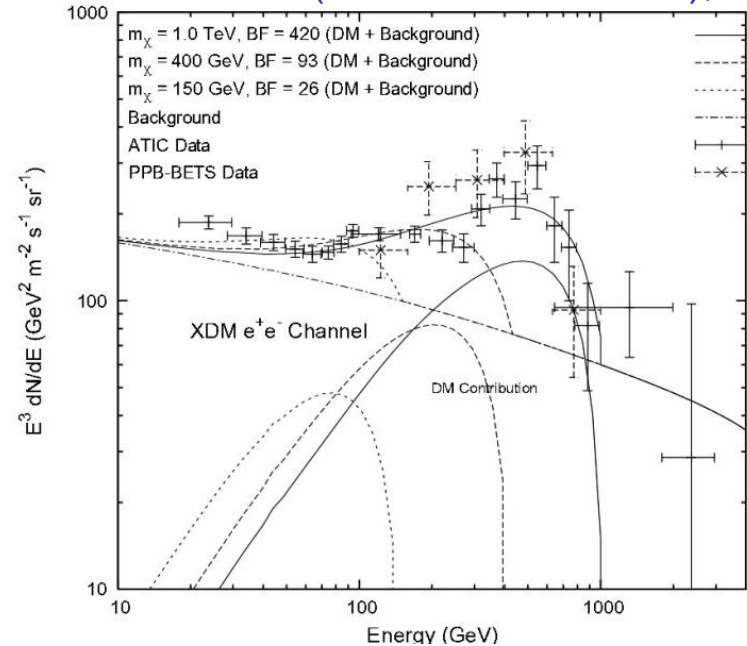


- High energy electrons have a high energy loss rate $\propto E^2$
 - Lifetime of $\sim 10^5$ years for >1 TeV electrons ($T \approx 2.5 \times 10^5 \times E[\text{TeV}]^{-1} \text{ years}$)
- Transport of GCR through interstellar space is a diffusive process
 - Implies that source of electrons is < 1 kpc away ($R \approx 600/\sqrt{E[\text{TeV}]} \text{ pc}$)
- Possible candidate local sources would include supernova remnants (SNR), pulsar wind nebulae (PWN) and micro-quasars

Or, a Message From the Dark Side?



Cholis et al. (arXiv: 0811.3641v1), 2008



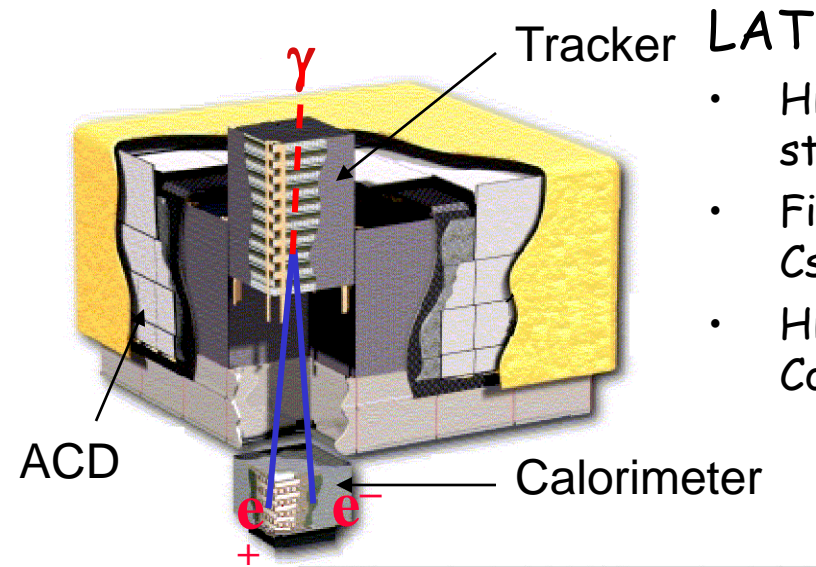
- DM annihilation to light boson $\rightarrow e^+e^-$
- An intermediate light boson represses production of anti-protons.
- Reasonable fit to PAMELA, ATIC & WMAP with particle mass of $\sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ and similar "boost factors".
- Also predicts enhancement of GC gammas

Fermi

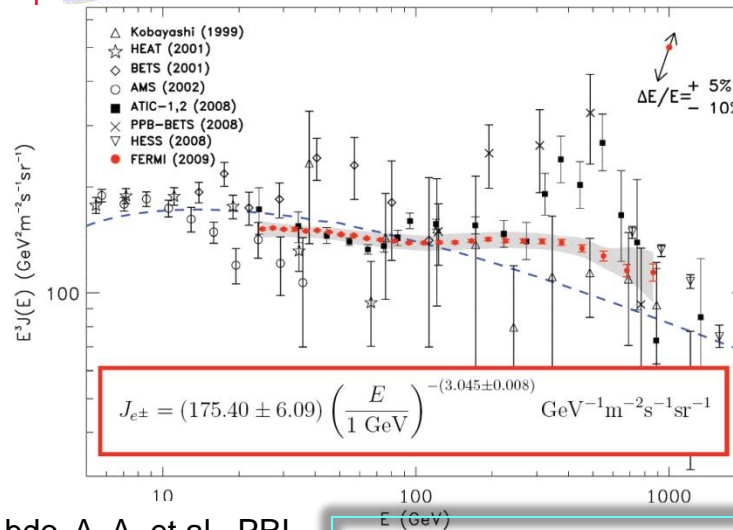
Gamma-ray Space Telescope



2008.06.11

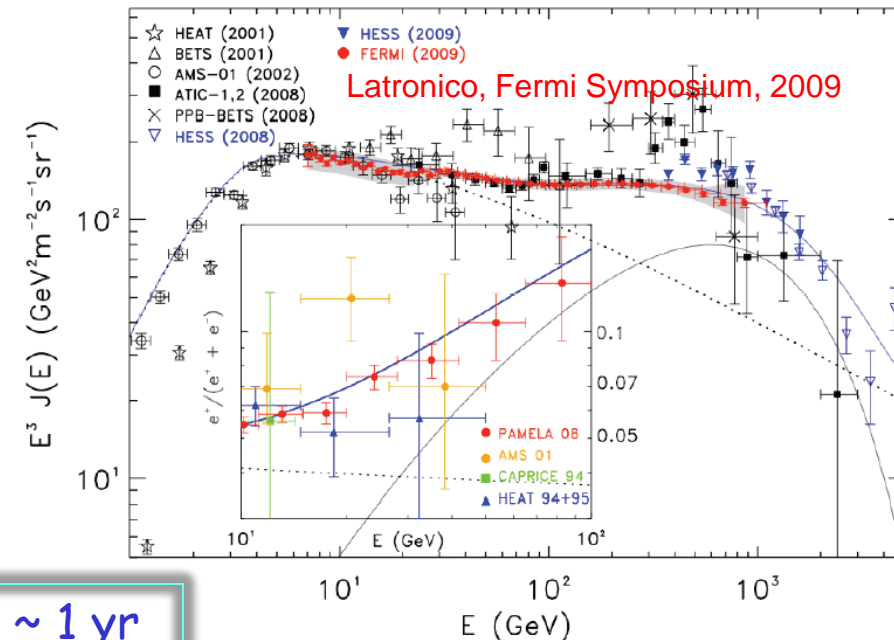


- Highly granular multi-layer Si strip Tracker ($1.5 X_0$)
- Finely segmented fully active CsI Calorimeter ($8.6 X_0$)
- Highly efficient hermetic Anti-Coincidence Detector (ACD)



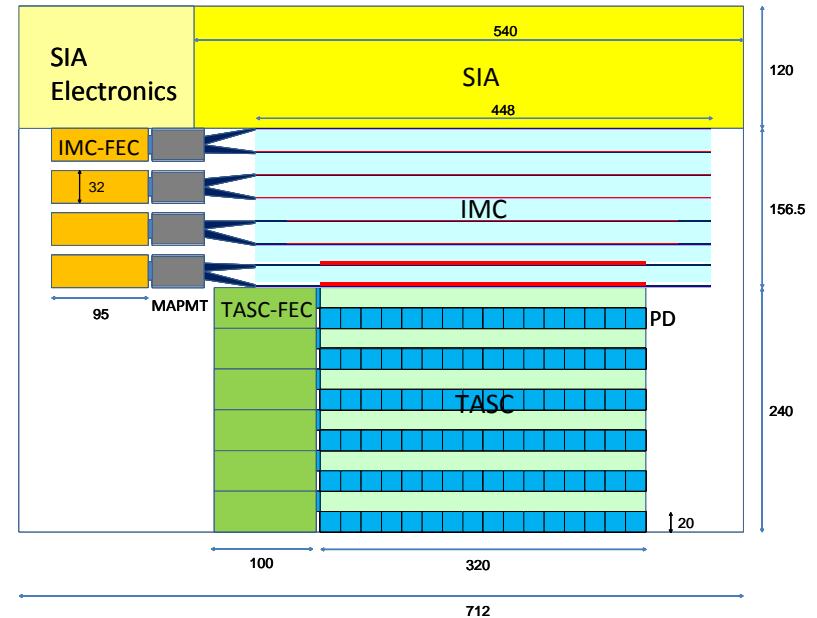
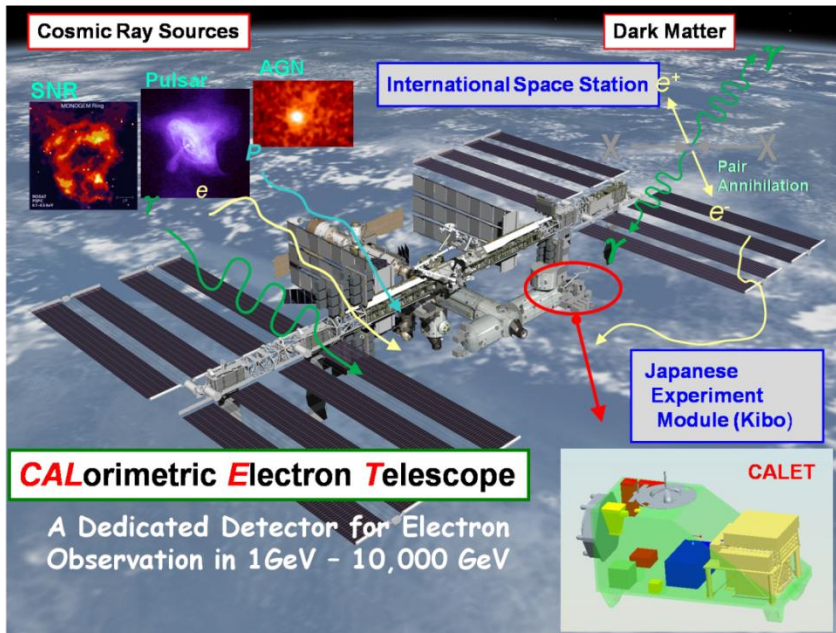
Abdo, A. A. et al., PRL
102, 181101, 2009

Cited > 150 times in ~ 1 yr



Calorimetric Electron Telescope (CALET)

Approved for Phase B: launch target summer, 2013



Silicon Pixel Array (Charge $Z=1-35$)

Silicon Pixel 11.25 mm x 11.25 mm x 0.5mm
2 Layers with a coverage of $54 \times 54 \text{ cm}^2$

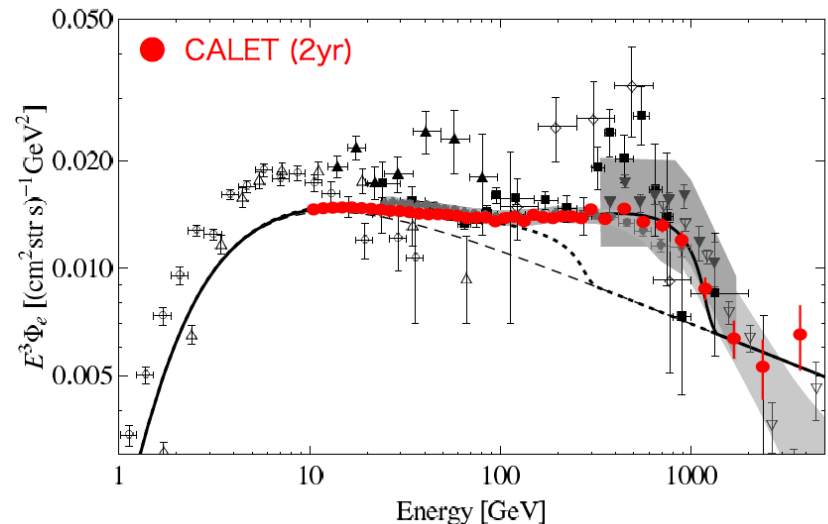
Imaging Calorimeter (Particle ID, Direction)

Total Thickness of Tungsten (W) : $3 X_0$
Layer Number of Scifi Belts : 8 Layers

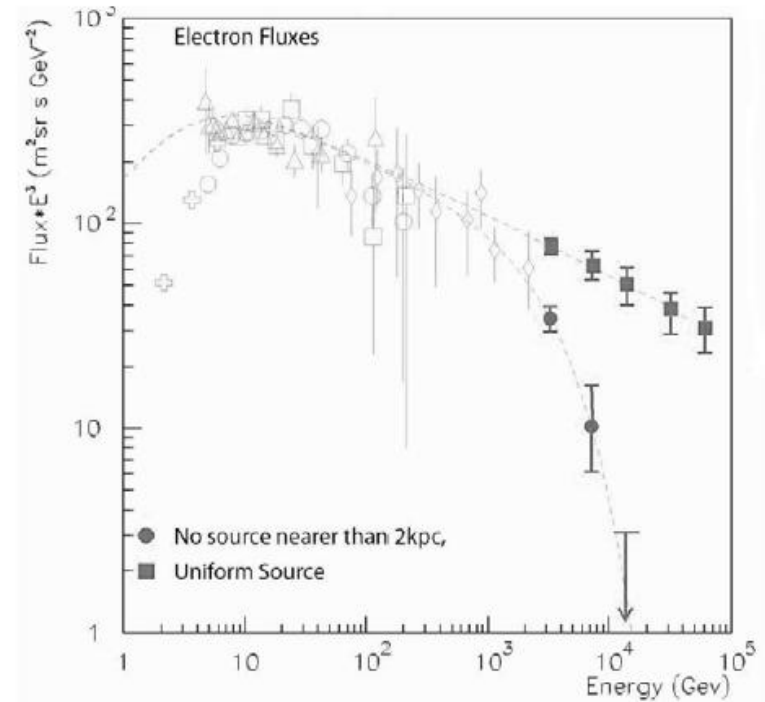
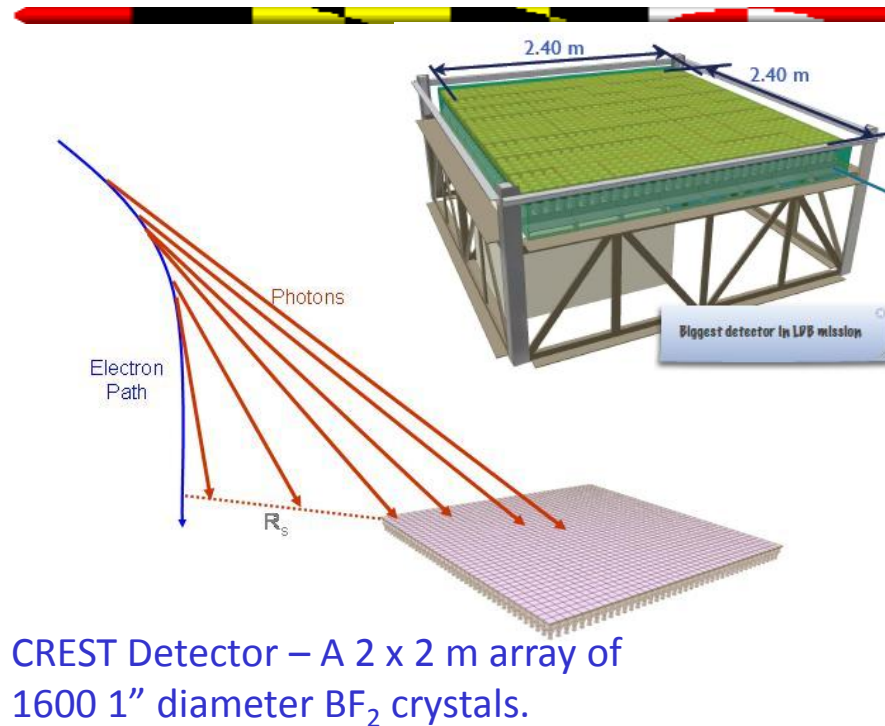
$\times 2(X,Y)$

Total Absorption Calorimeter (Energy Measurement, Particle ID)

PWO 20 mm x 20 mm x 320 mm
Total Depth of PWO: $27 X_0$ (24 cm)



Cosmic Ray Electron-Synchrotron Telescope (CREST)

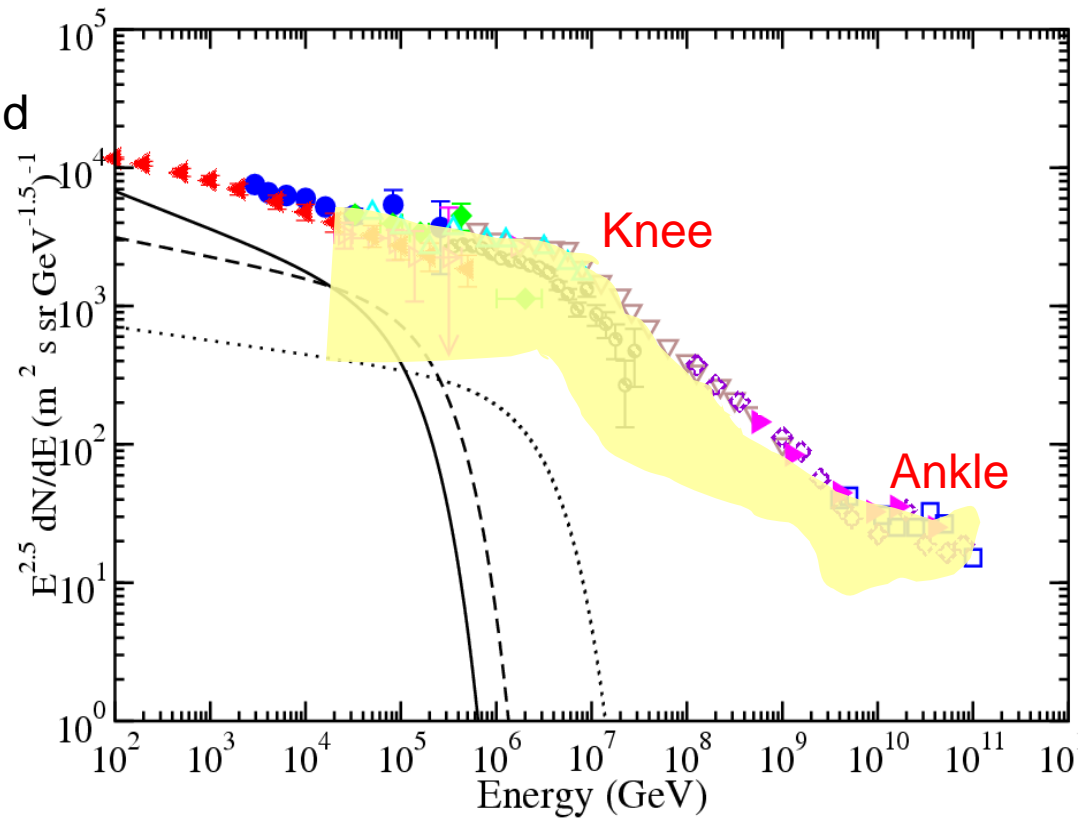


Expected result: 100-day CREST exposure

- CREST identifies UHE electrons by observing the characteristic linear trail of synchrotron gamma rays generated as the electron passes through the Earth's magnetic field
 - This results in effective detector area much larger than the physical instrument size
- CREST expected to fly as Antarctic LDB payload in the 2010-2011 season
- Upgrade of CREST for ULDB operation would be straightforward

Is the “knee” due to a limit in SNR acceleration?

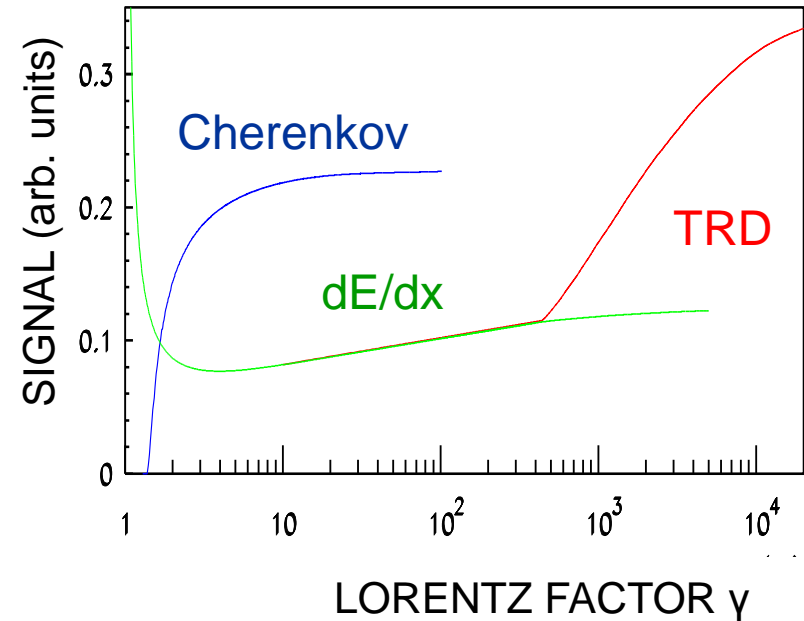
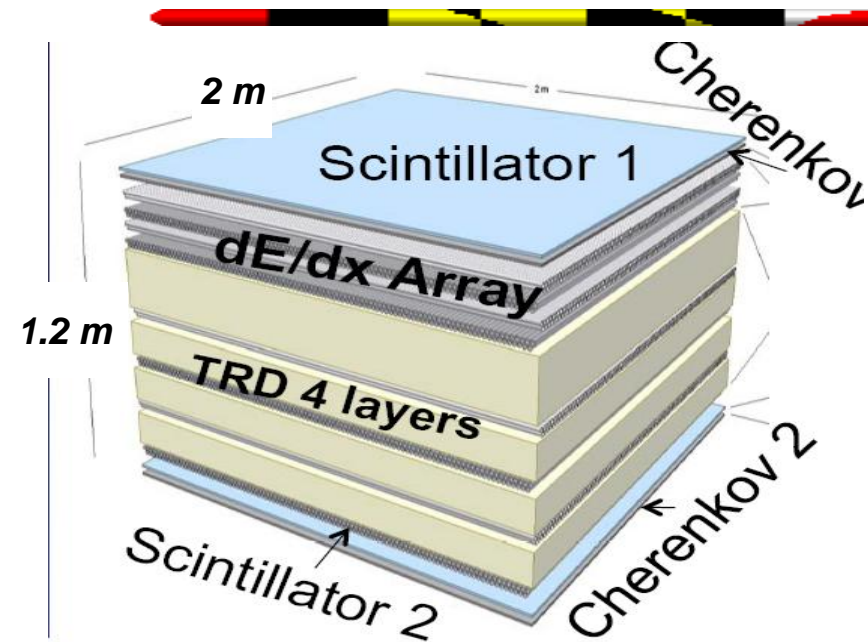
- The all particle spectrum extends several orders of magnitude beyond the highest energies thought possible for supernova shocks
- And, there is a “knee” (index change) above 10^{15} eV
- Acceleration limit signature: Characteristic elemental composition change over two decades in energy below and approaching the knee
- Direct measurements of individual elemental spectra can test the supernova acceleration model



SNR acceleration limit:

$$E_{\text{max}} \sim \frac{v}{c} ZeBVT \sim \underline{Z \times 100 \text{ TeV}}$$

Transition Radiation Array for Cosmic Energetic Radiation (TRACER)



ENERGY RESPONSE:

Acrylic Cherenkov Counter ($\gamma < 10$)

Specific Ionization in Gas ($4 < \gamma < 1000$)

Transition Radiation Detector ($\gamma > 400$)

- **2003 ANTARCTICA** 14 days
OXYGEN (Z=8) to IRON (Z=26)
- **2006 SWEDEN→CANADA** 4.5 days
BORON (Z=5) to IRON (Z=26)

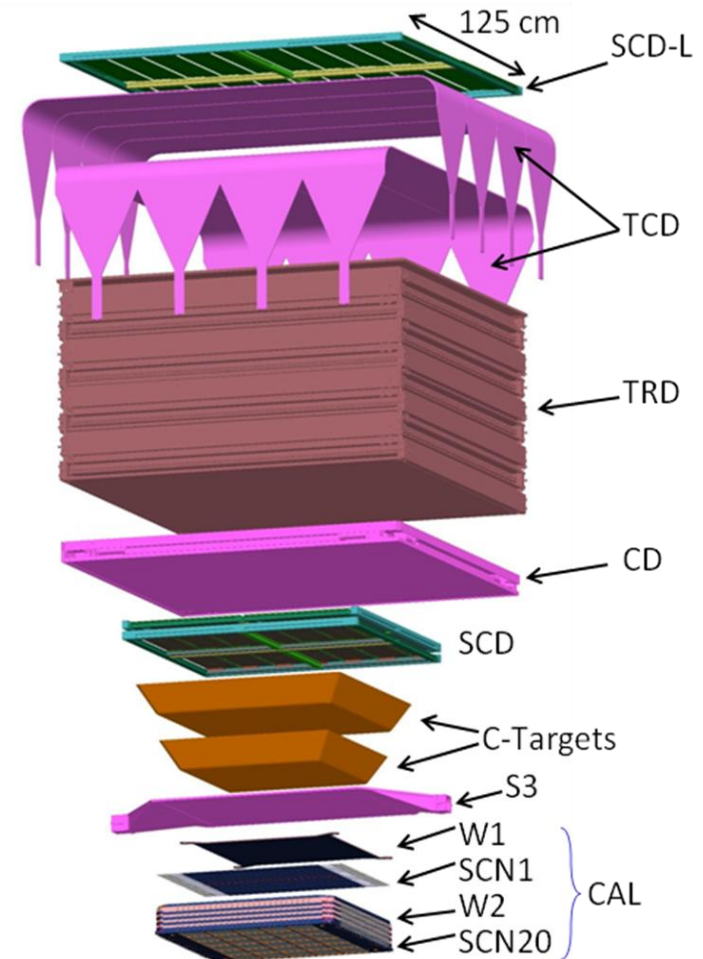
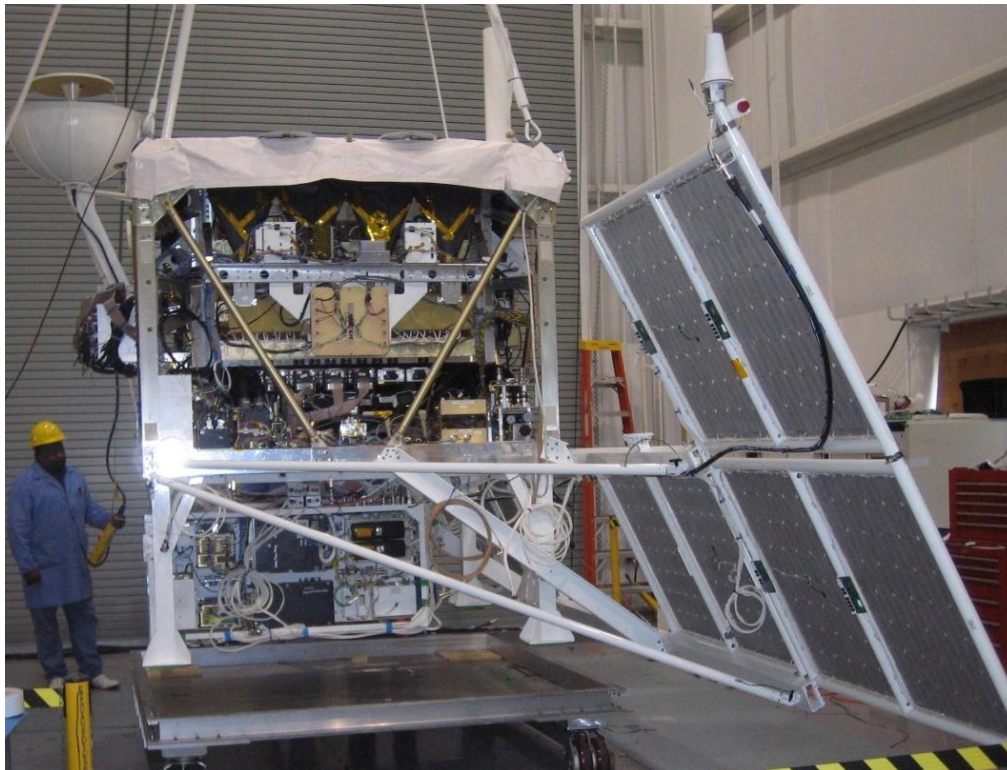


Cosmic Ray Energetics And Mass (CREAM)

Seo et al. Adv. in Space Res., **33** (10), 1777, 2004; Ahn et al., NIM A, **579**, 1034, 2007

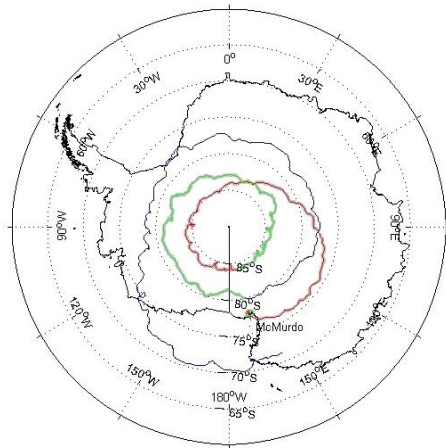
- Transition Radiation Detector (TRD) and Tungsten Scintillating Fiber Calorimeter
 - In-flight cross-calibration of energy scales for $Z > \text{He}$
- Complementary Charge Measurements
 - Timing-Based Charge Detector
 - Cherenkov Counter
 - Pixelated Silicon Charge Detector

- **CREAM uses two designs**
 - With and without the TRD
- This exploded view shows the “With TRD” design
- The “Without TRD” design uses Cherenkov Camera

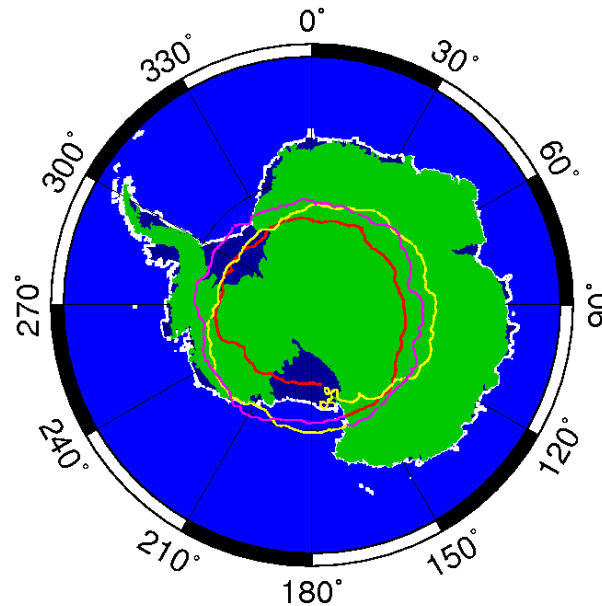


Five successful Flights: ~ 156 days cumulative exposure

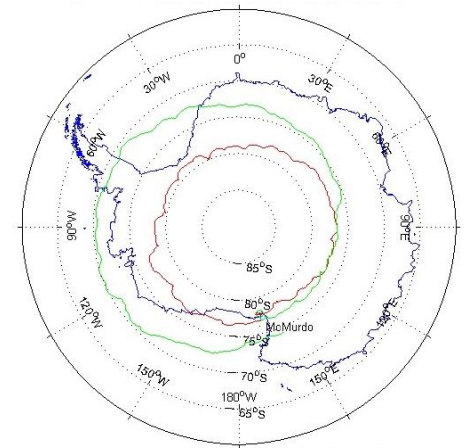
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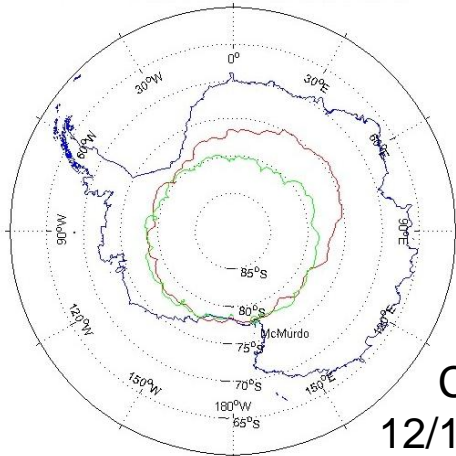
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12/16/04 – 1/27/05
42 days



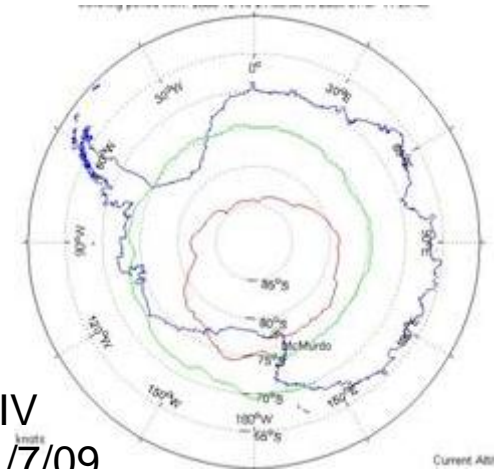
CREAM-V
12/1/09 – 1/8/10
37 days 10 hrs



CREAM-II
12/16/05-1/13/06
28 days

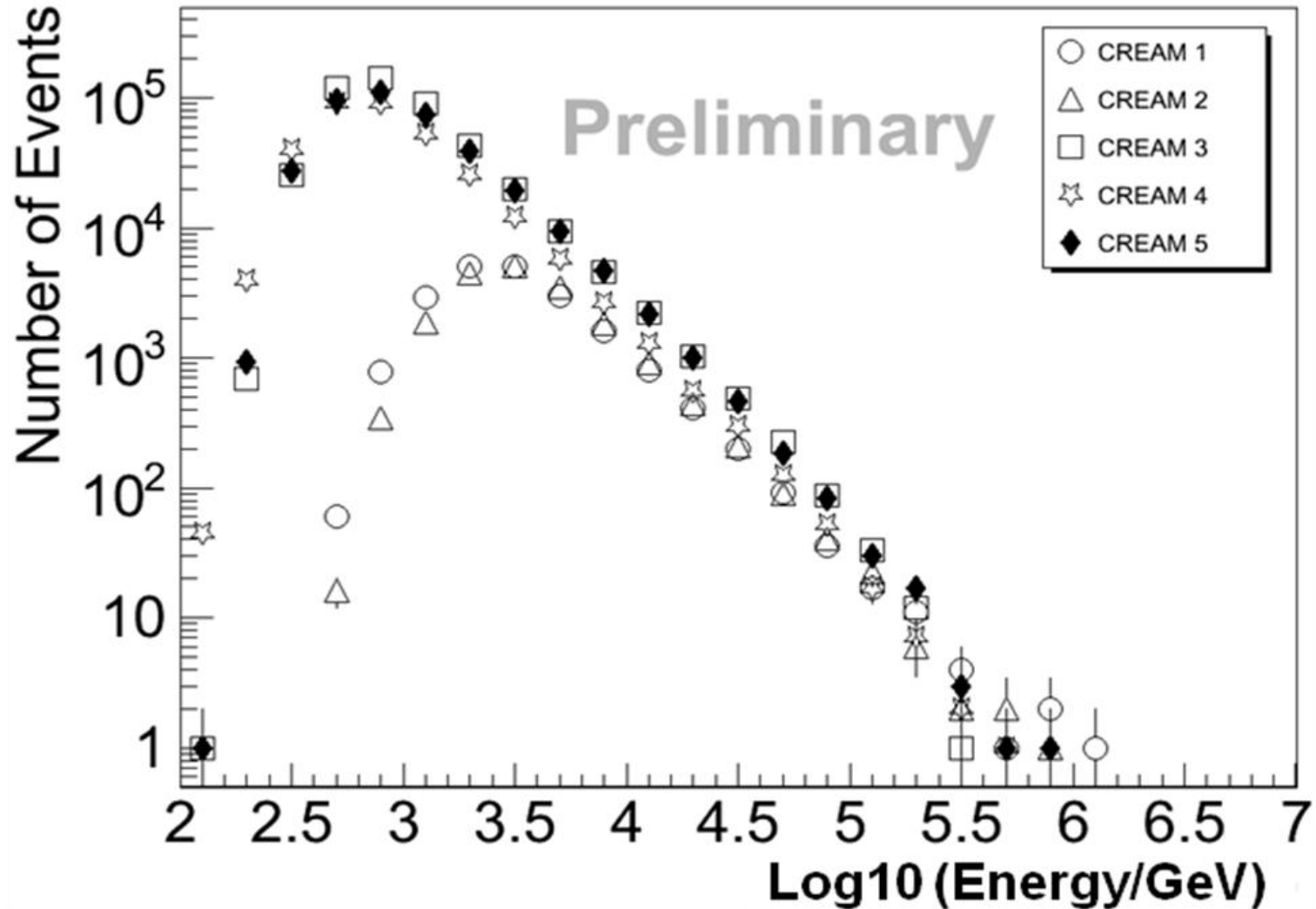


CREAM-III
12/19/07-1/17/08
29 days

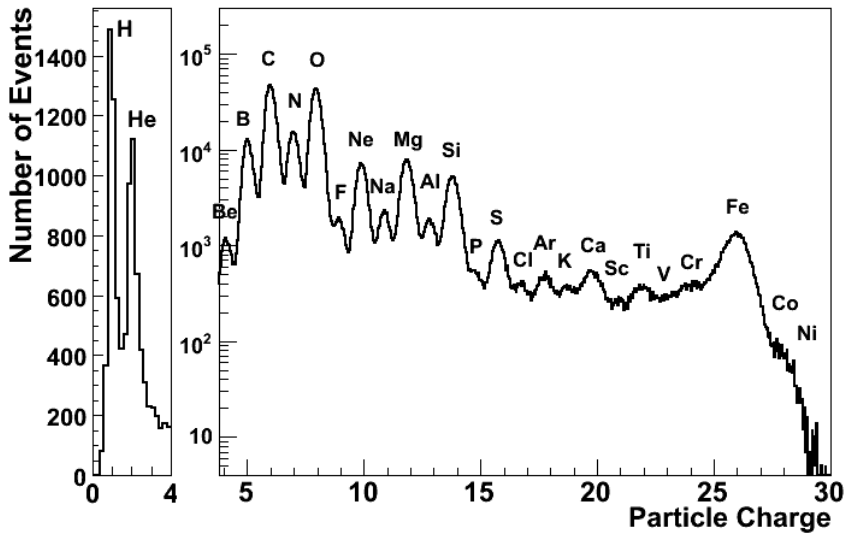


CREAM-IV
12/19/08 – 1/7/09
19 days 13 hrs

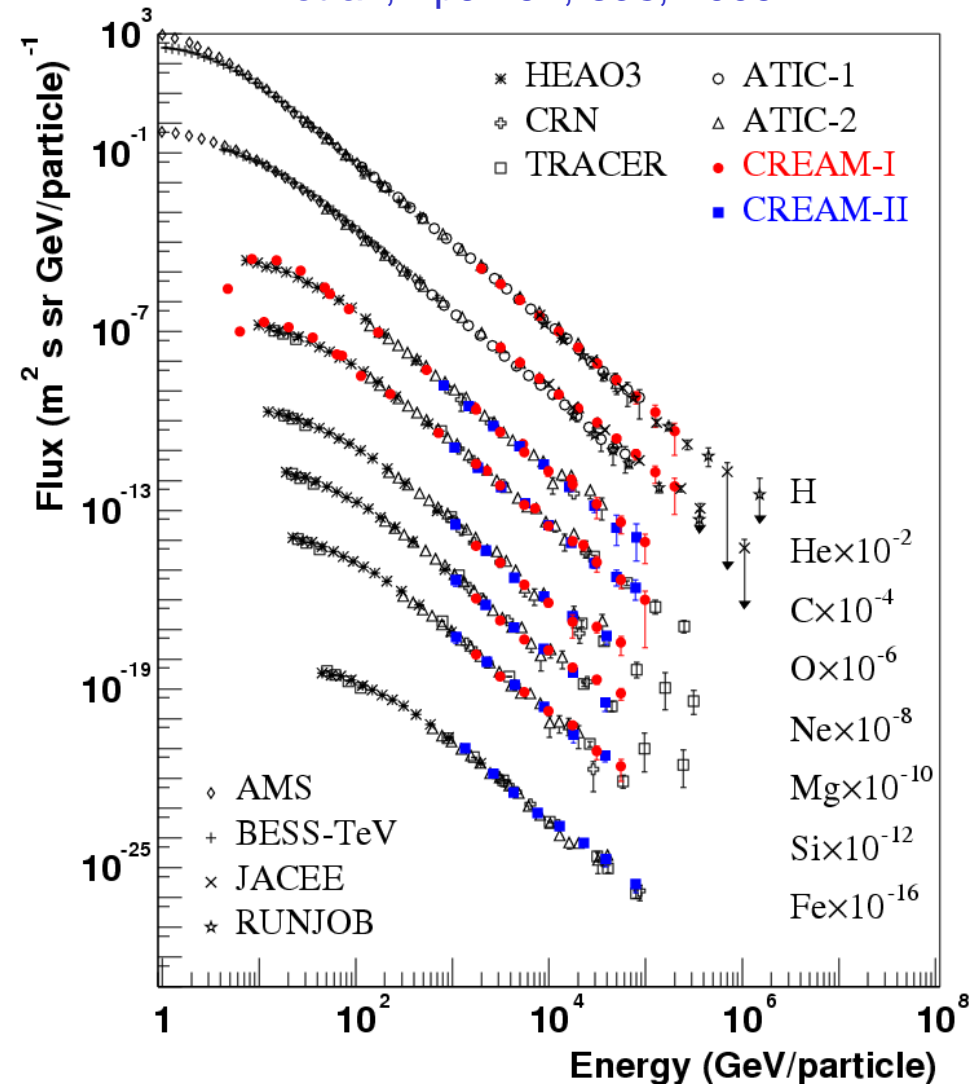
CREAM flight data: all particle counts



Elemental Spectra over 4 decades in energy



Ahn et al., ApJ **707**, 593, 2009



Cosmic Ray Propagation

Consider propagation of CR in the interstellar medium with random hydromagnetic waves.

Steady State Transport Eq.:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} D_j \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial z} + \frac{\rho}{m} v \sigma f_j + \frac{1}{p^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} p^2 K_j \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial p} + \frac{1}{p^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[p^2 \left(\frac{dp}{dt} \right)_{j,ion} f_j \right] = q_j + \sum_{k < j} S_{jk}$$

The momentum distribution function f is normalized as $N = \int dp p^2 f$ where N is CR number density, D : spatial diffusion coefficient, σ : cross section...

$$\frac{I_j}{X_e} + \frac{\sigma_j}{m} I_j + \alpha \{ \dots \} + \frac{d}{dE} \left[\left(\frac{dE}{dx} \right)_{j,ion} I_j \right] = \frac{Q_j}{\rho_0} + \sum_{k < j} \frac{\sigma_{jk}}{m} I_k$$

Cosmic ray intensity $I_j(E) = A_j p^2 f_{0j}(p)$

Escape length X_e

Reacceleration parameter α

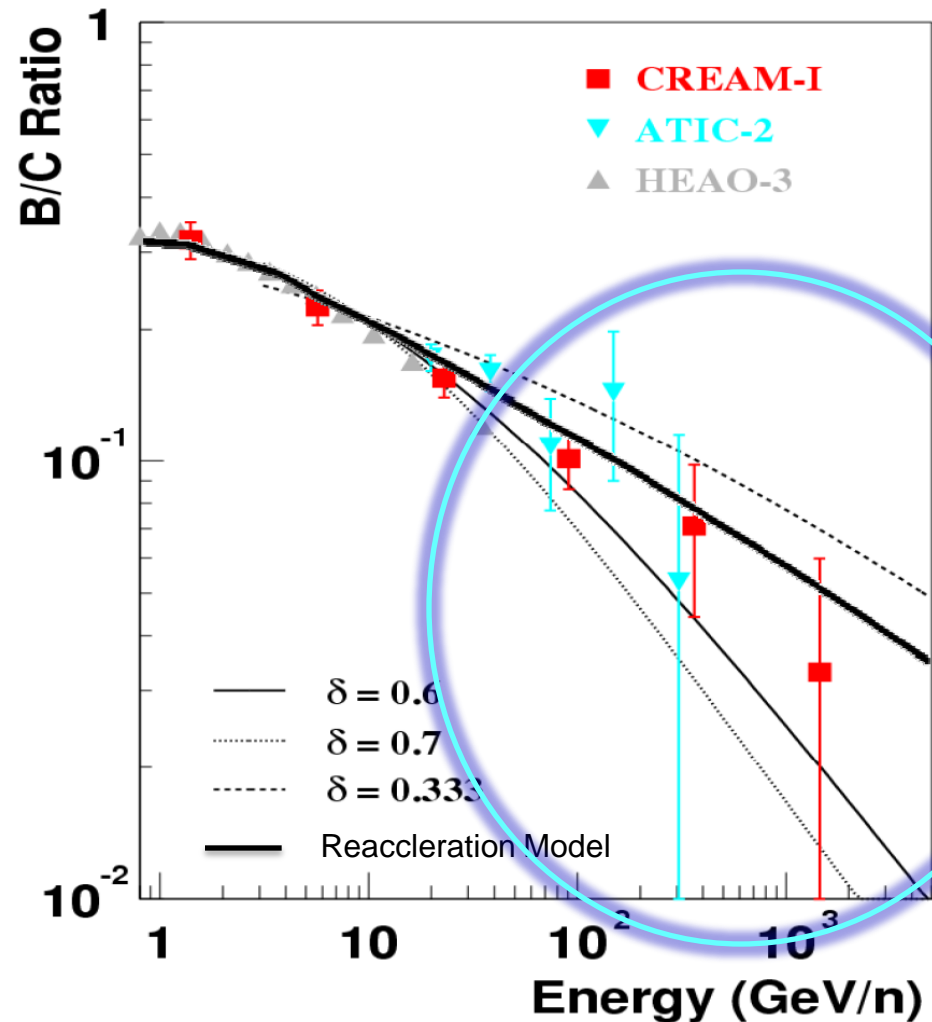
E. S. Seo and V. S. Ptuskin, *Astrophys. J.*, **431**, 705-714, 1994.

What is the history of cosmic rays in the Galaxy?

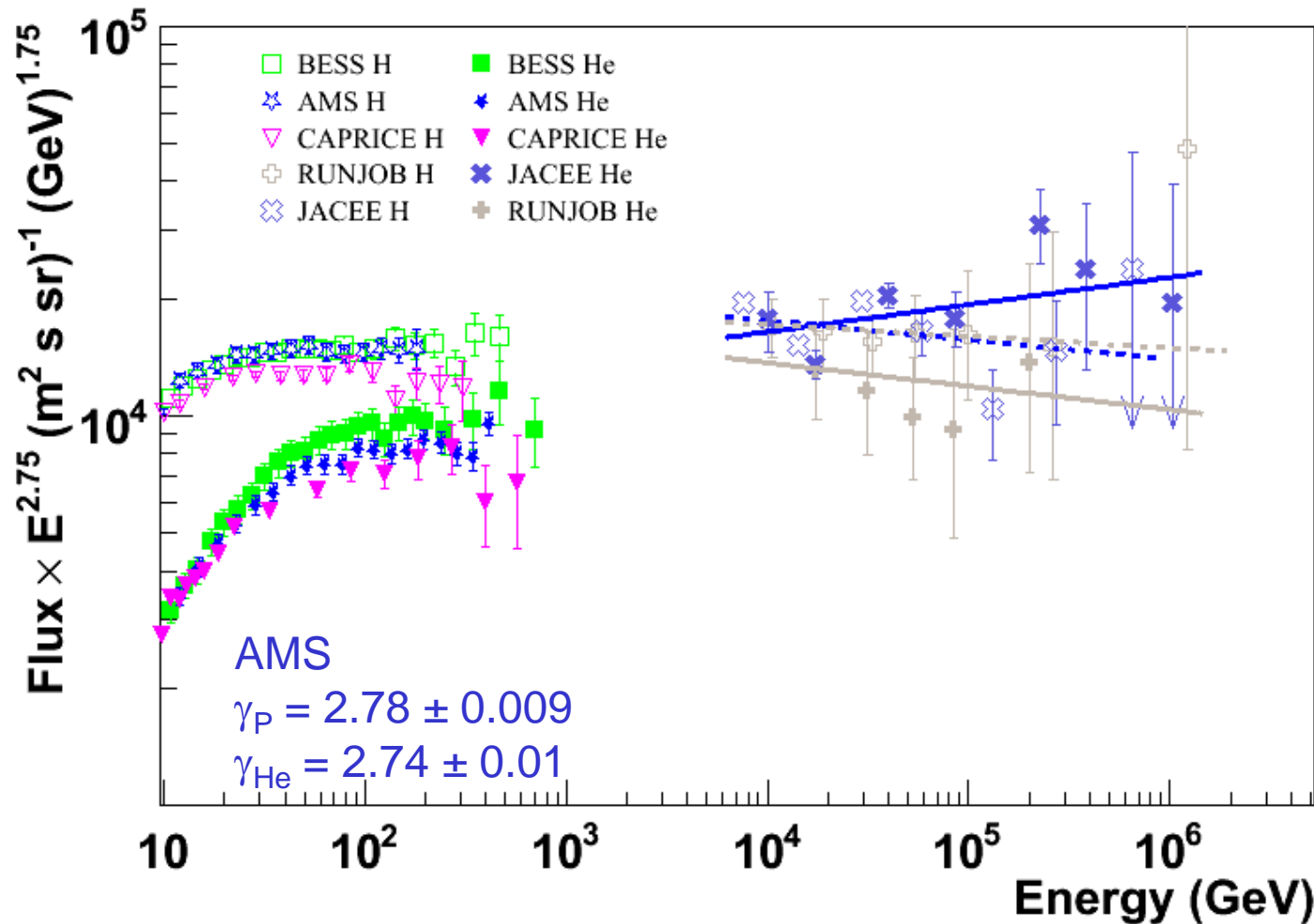
Ahn et al. (CREAM collaboration) Astropart. Phys., 30/3, 133-141, 2008

- Measurements of the relative abundances of secondary cosmic rays (e.g., B/C) in addition to the energy spectra of primary nuclei will allow determination of cosmic-ray source spectra at energies where measurements are not currently available
- First B/C ratio at these high energies to distinguish among the propagation models

$$X_e \propto R^{-\delta}$$



P & He: prior to CREAM



$$I_j \propto E^{-\gamma}$$

JACEE

$$\gamma_P = 2.80 \pm 0.04$$

$$\gamma_{He} = 2.68 \pm 0.04 - 0.06$$

RUNJOB

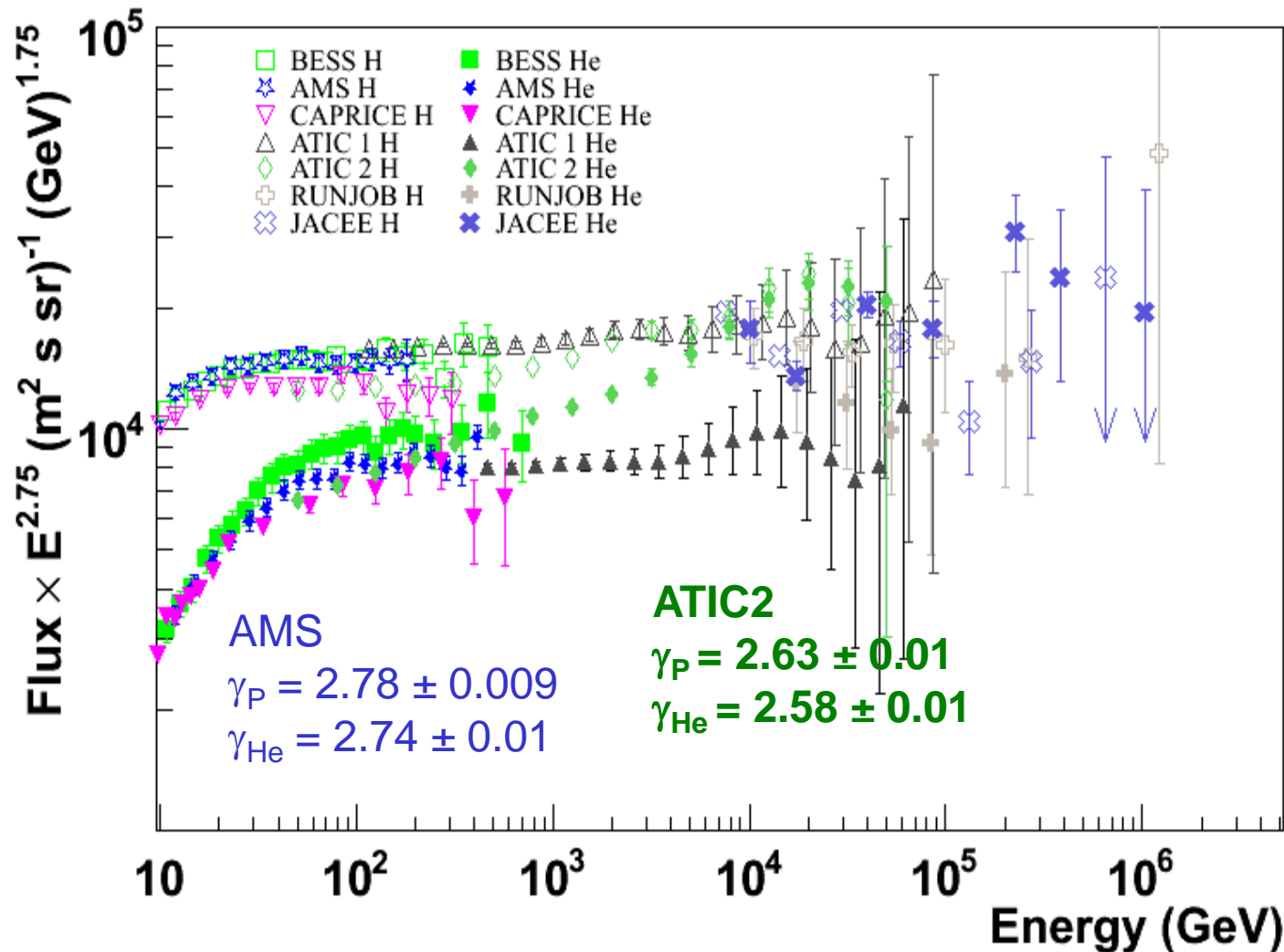
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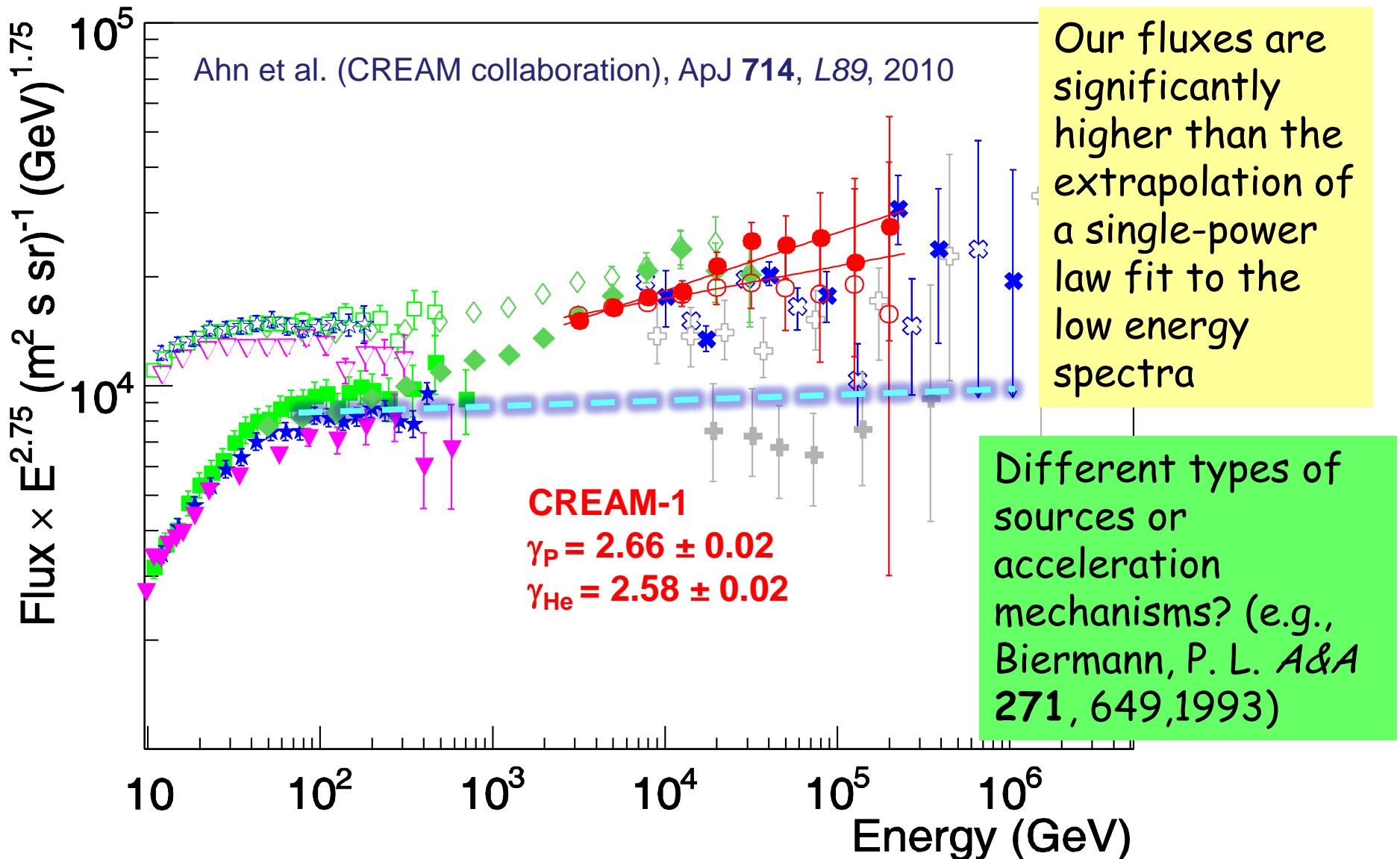
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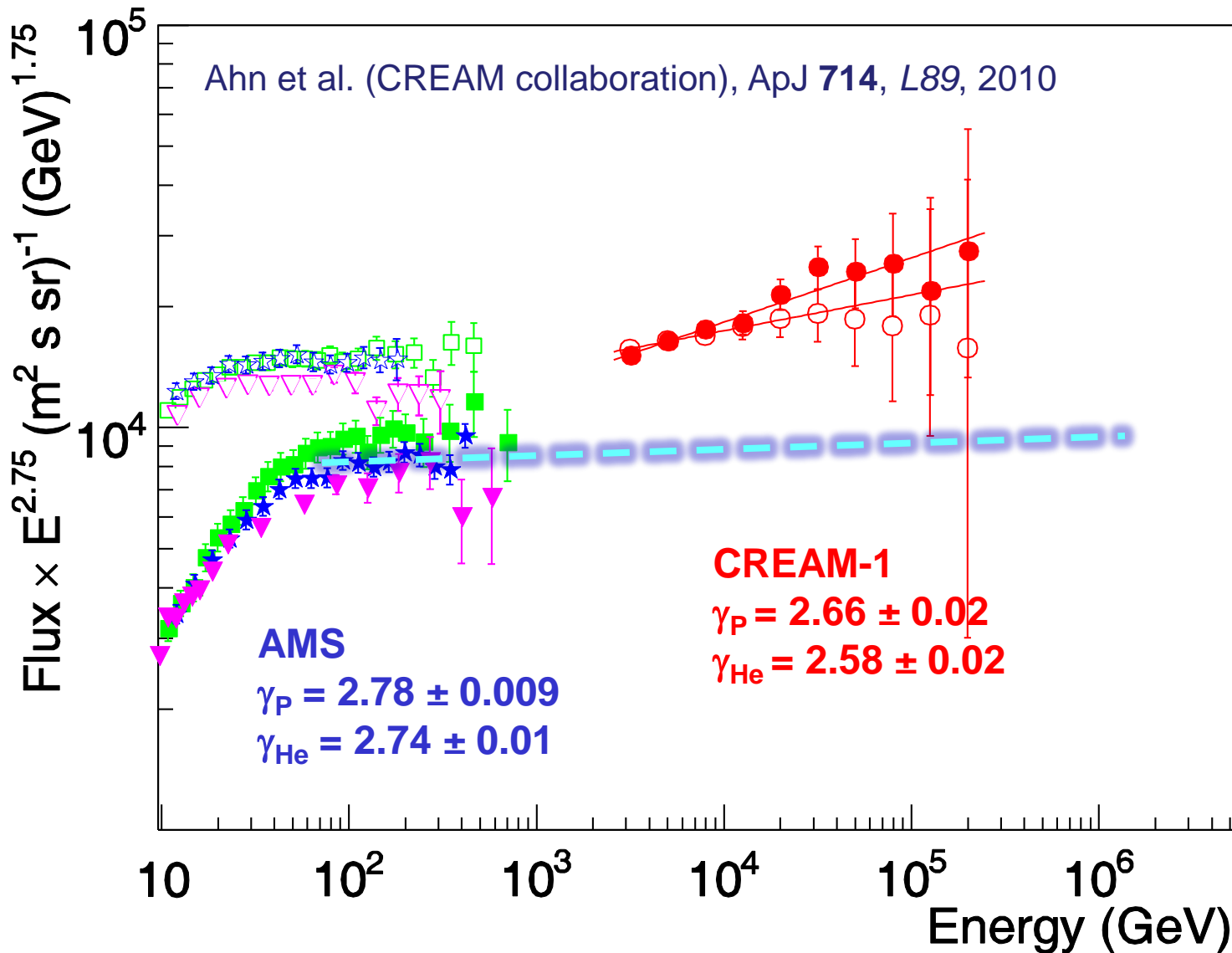
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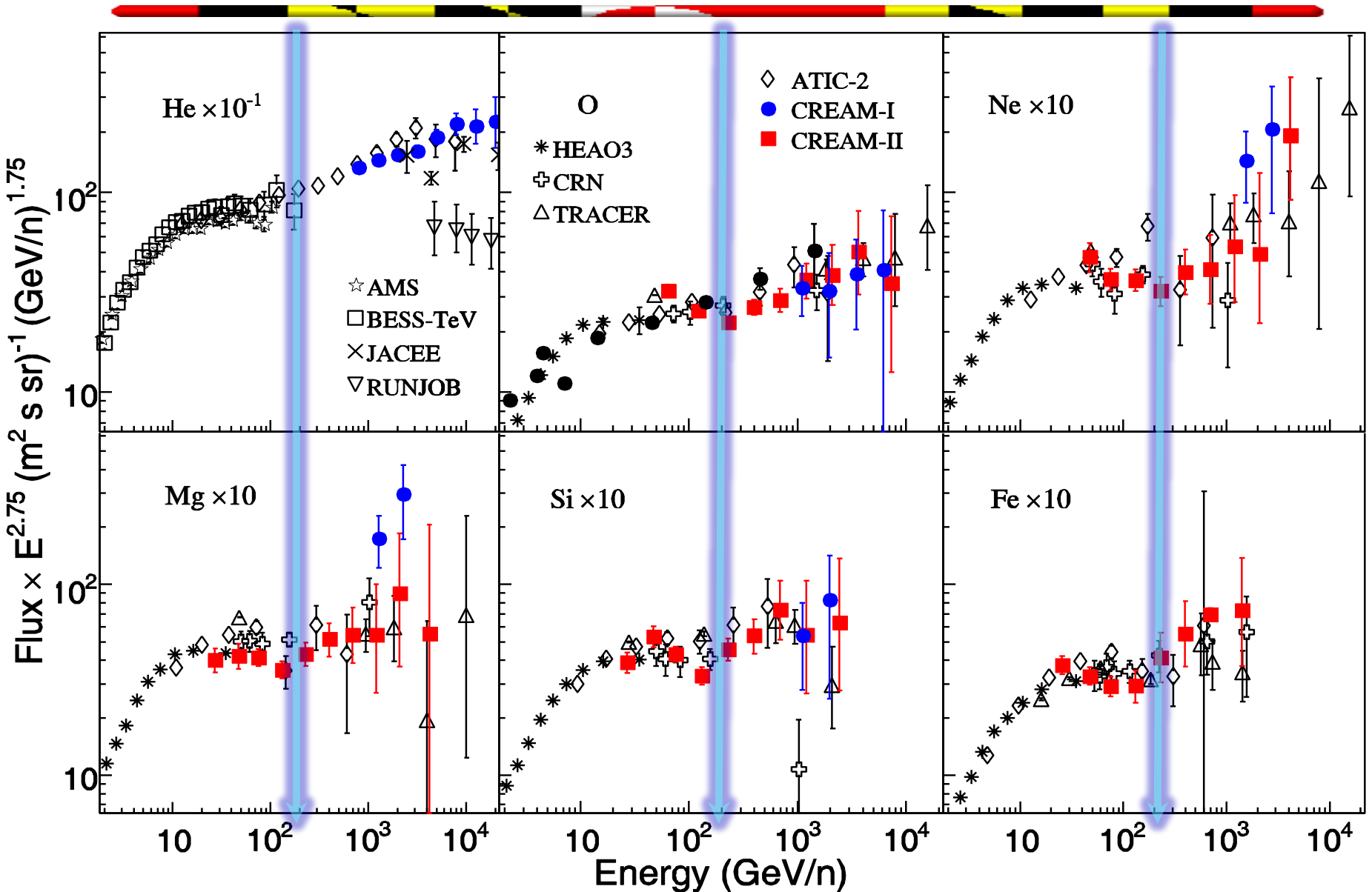
CREAM: p & He spectra are not the same



TeV spectra are harder than spectra < 200 GeV/n

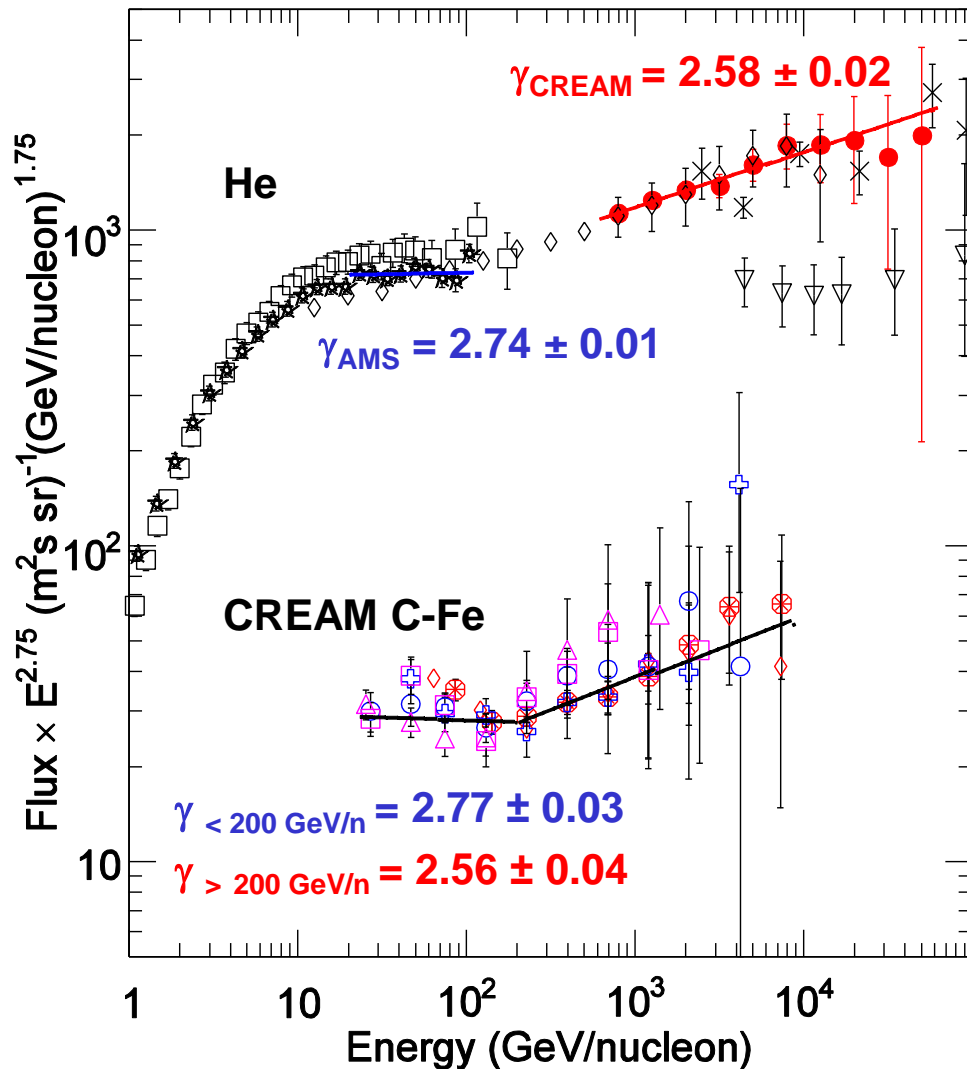


Discrepant hardening



Not a single power law

Ahn et al. *ApJ* 714, L89, 2010



- Effect of a non-uniform distribution of sources?
(Erykin & Wolfendale *A&A* 350, L1, 1999)
 - Younger sources would dominate the high-energy spectra (Taillet et al. *ApJ* 609, 173, 2004)
- Effect of distributed acceleration by multiple remnants?
(Medina-Tanco & Opher *ApJ* 411, 690, 1993)
 - Superbubbles?
(Butt & Bykov, *ApJ* 677, L21, 2008)
- Departure from a single power law caused by cosmic ray interactions with the shock?
(e.g., Ellison et al. *ApJ* 540, 292, 2000)

Results & Implications



Spectral difference between p and He

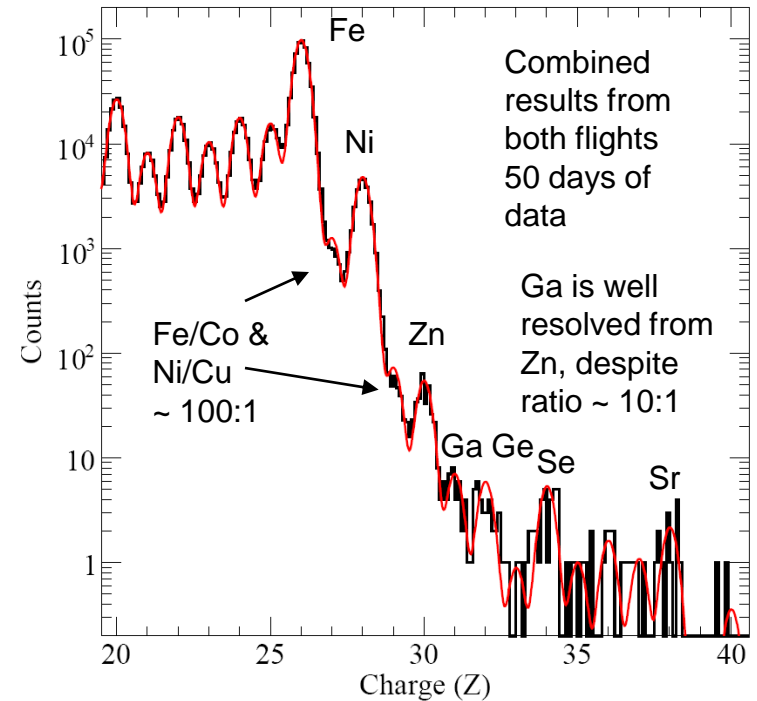
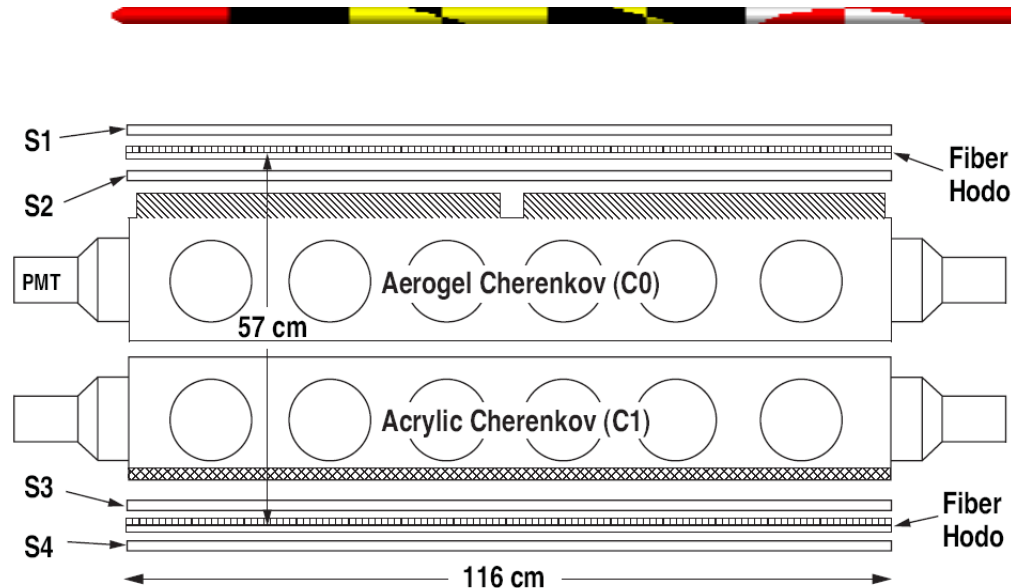
- Are there different types of sources or acceleration mechanisms?
(Biermann, *A&A* **271**, 649,1993; Biermann et al. *PRL* **103**, 061101, 2009; *ApJ* **710**, L53, 2010)

Flattening of elemental spectra at high energies

- Are the source spectra harder than previously thought, based on the low energy data?
- Evidence for concavity due to cosmic ray interactions with the shock?
(Ellison et al. *ApJ* **540**, 292,2000; Allen et al. *ApJ* **683**/2,773, 2008).
- If not an effect of acceleration or propagation, and if the conventional model is valid, are we seeing a local source of hadrons?
- Effect of a non-uniform distribution of sources? (Erlykin & Wolfendale *A&A* **350**, L1,1999;Taillet et al. *ApJ* **609**, 173, 2004)
- Effect of distributed acceleration by multiple remnants (Medina-Tanco & Opher *ApJ* 411, 690, 1993)
 - Superbubbles? (Butt & Bykov, *ApJ* 677, L21, 2008)
- Related to 10 TeV anisotropy reported by Milagro? (Abdo et al. *PRL*, 101, 221101, 2008)

Trans-Iron Galactic Element Recorder (TIGER)

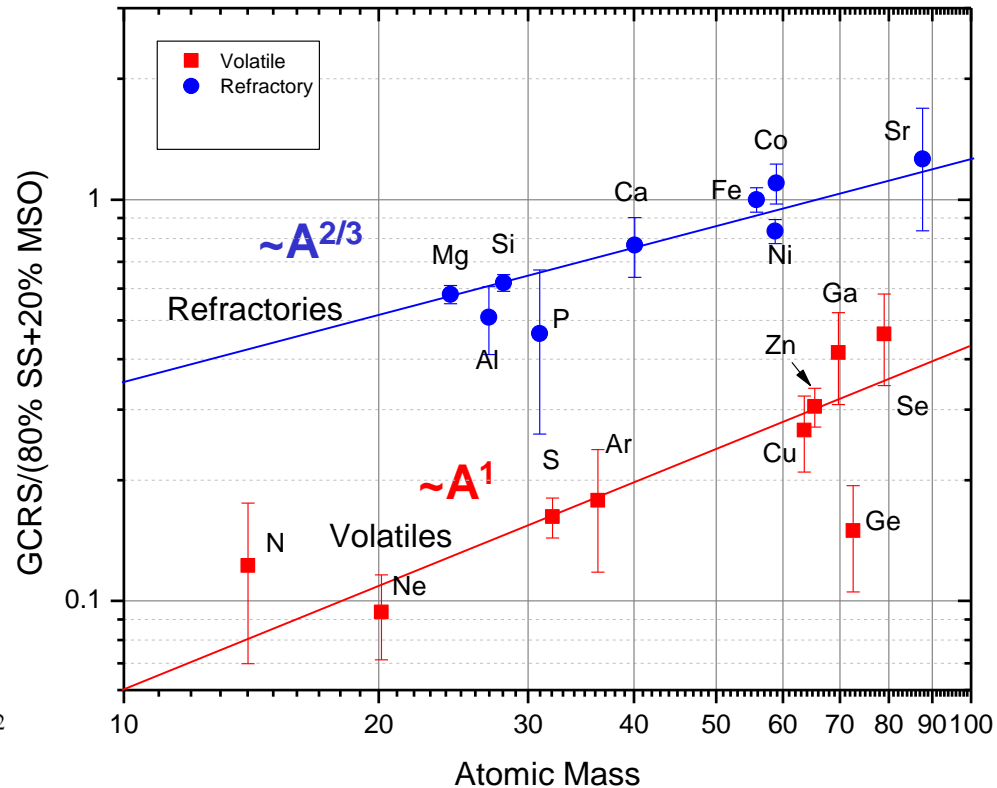
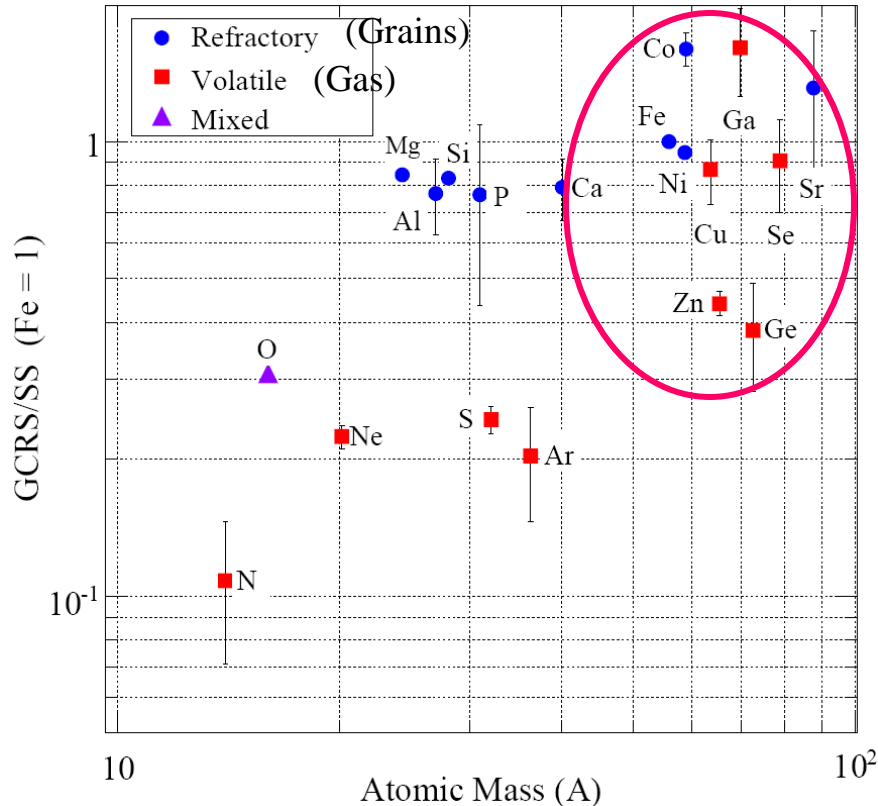
Ultra heavy nuclei, clues to nucleosynthesis and origin of galactic CRs



- TIGER was a 1 m² electronic instrument to measure the elemental composition of the rare galactic cosmic rays heavier than iron
 - Obtained best measurement to date of abundances of $_{31}\text{Ga}$, $_{32}\text{Ge}$, & $_{34}\text{Se}$.
- Two balloon flights over Antarctica totaling 50 days at float
 - Dec. 2001 – Jan. 2002, 32 day flight; Dec. 2003 – Jan. 2004, 18 day flight
 - TIGER data recovered, but instrument only partially recovered in Jan. 2006

Origin of Cosmic Rays

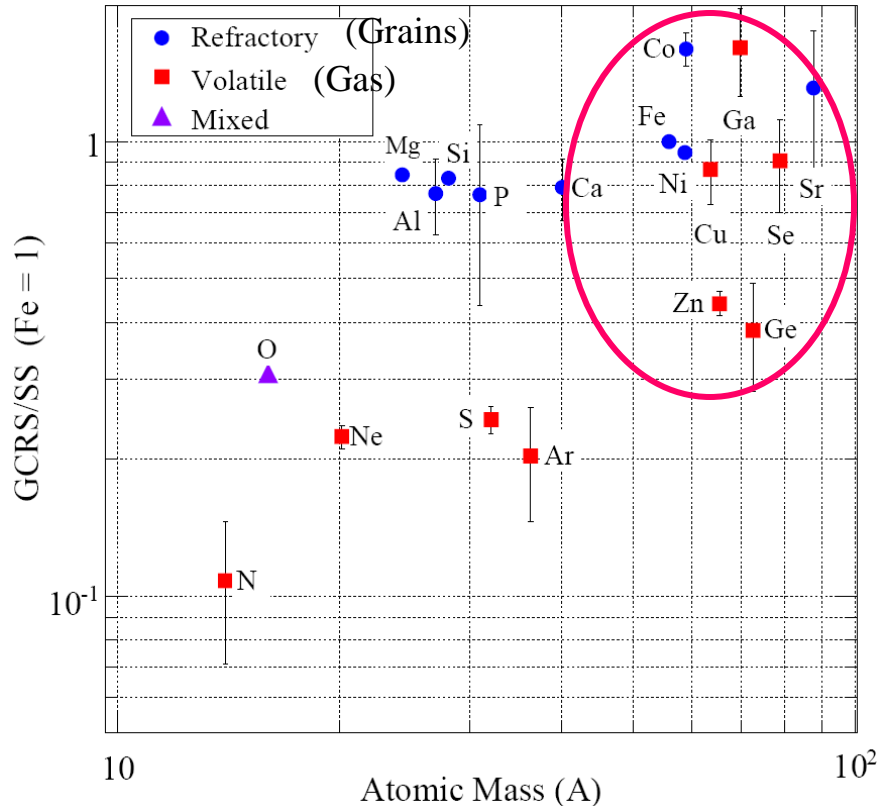
Rauch et al., ApJ 697, 2083, 2009



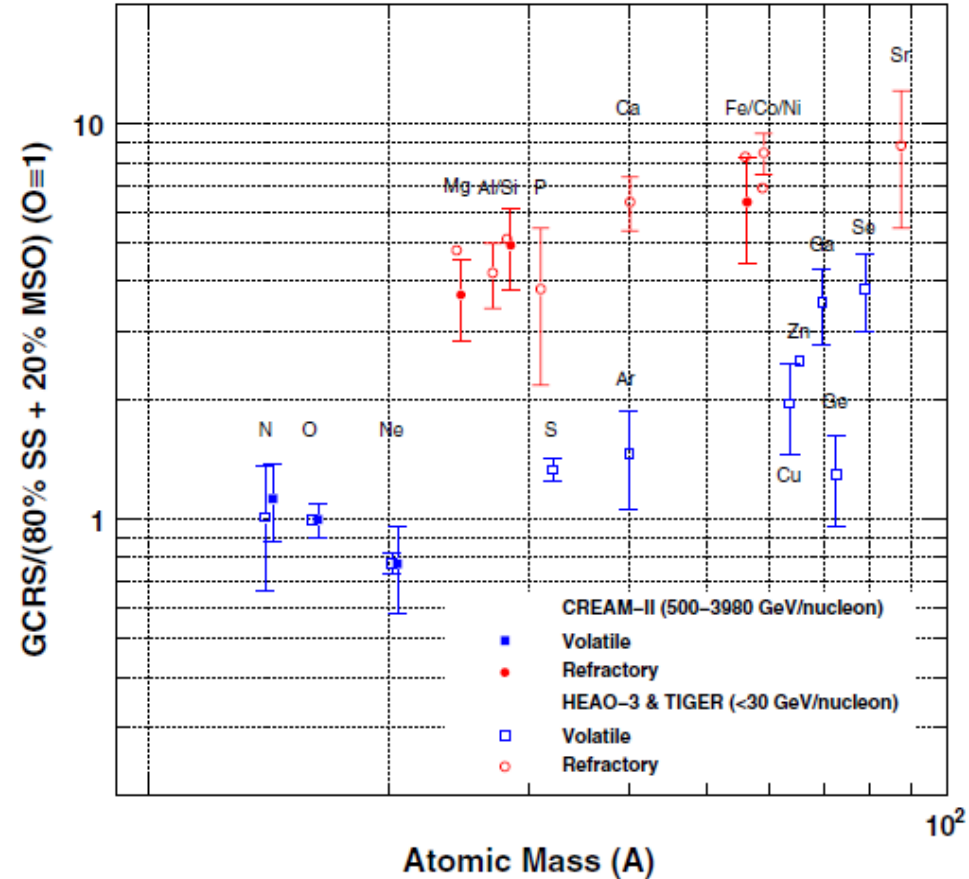
- Elements present in interstellar grains are accelerated preferentially compared with those found in interstellar gas
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Rauch et al., ApJ 697, 2083, 2009

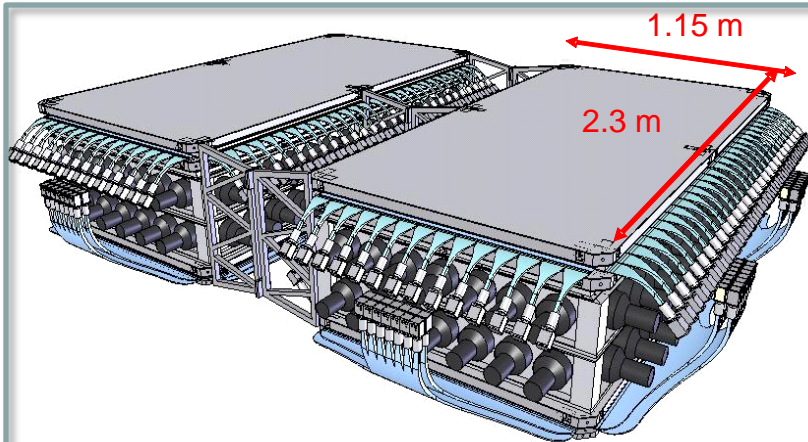


Ahn et al., ApJ, 715, 1400, 2010



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Super-TIGER balloon mission & OASIS study



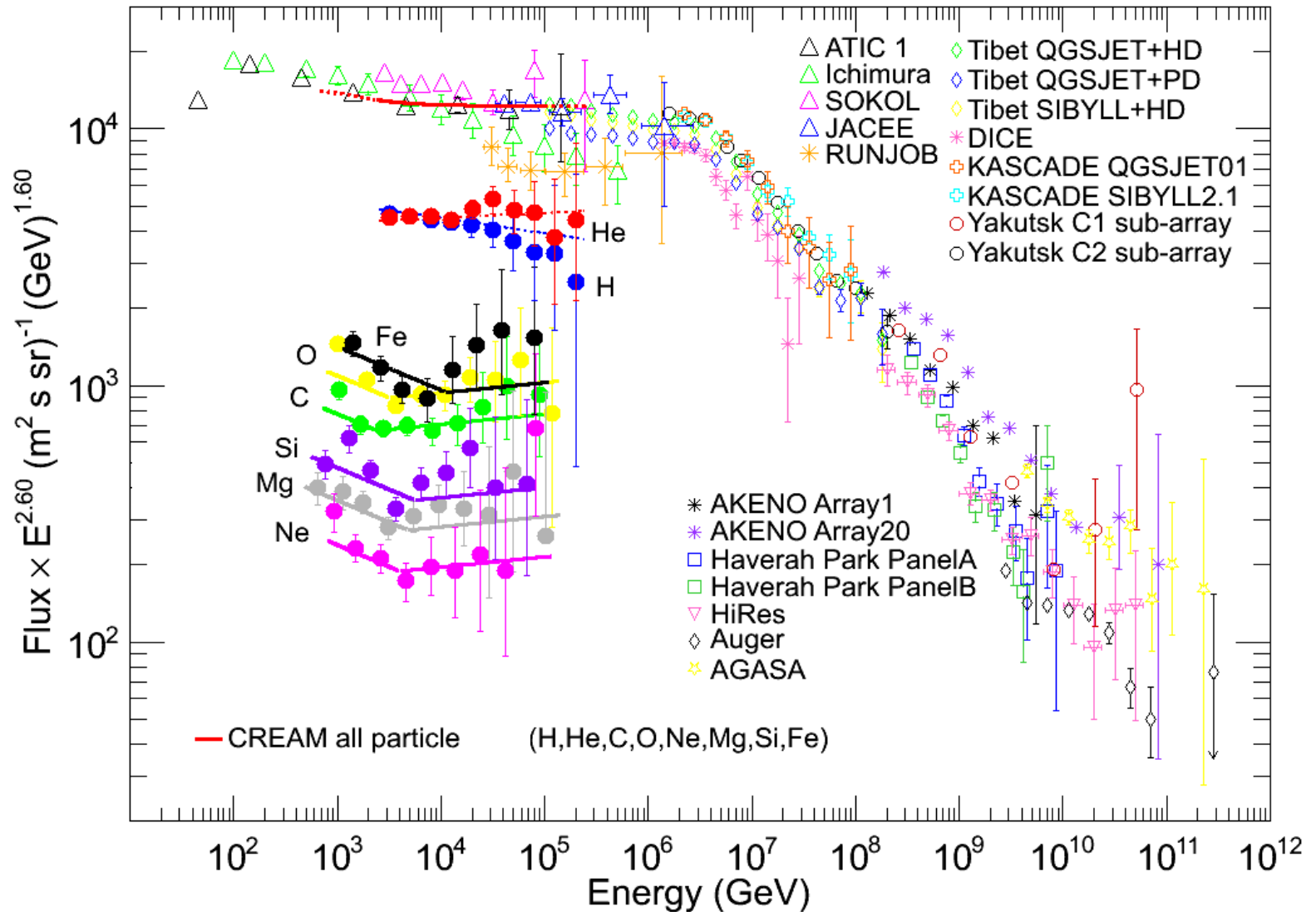
First LDB flight planned for December 2012.

ULDB Super-TIGER mission: measure individual element abundances up to Barium ($Z=56$) with high precision, even Pt to Pb with $\sim 20\%$ precision

- OASIS: Being studied as a medium class NASA Astrophysics Strategic Mission in the US
 - ENTICE: With three years in polar orbit would detect at least 100 cosmic-ray actinides.

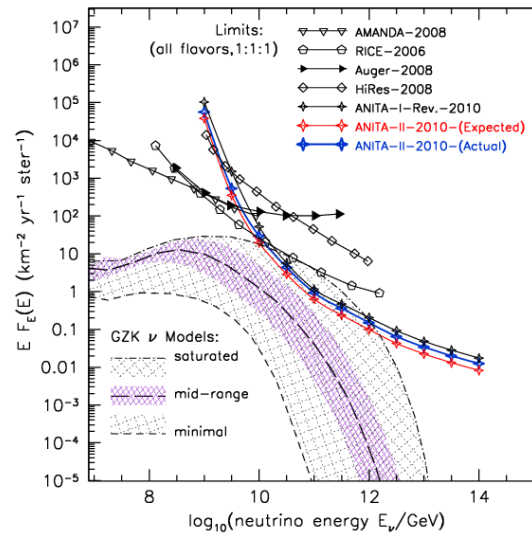
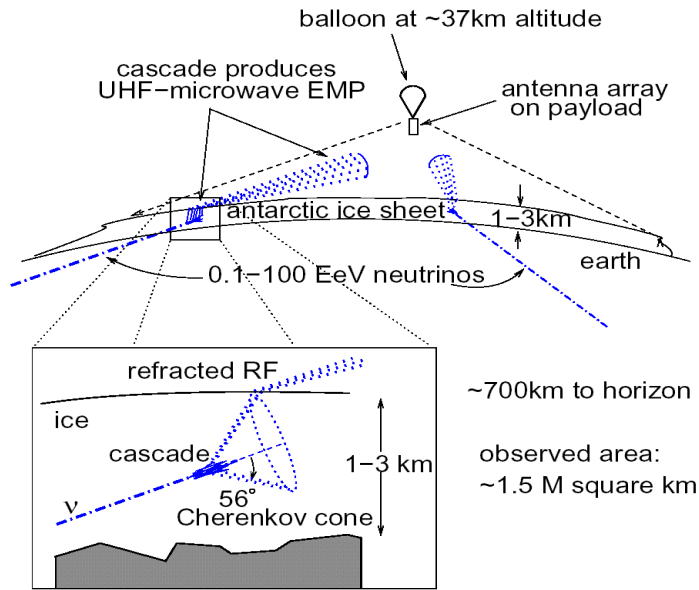


All Particle Spectrum

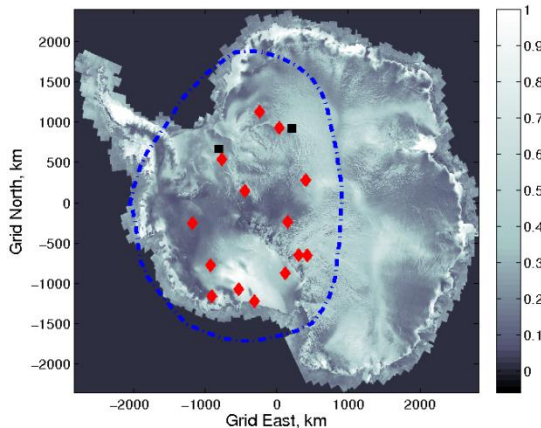


Antarctic Impulsive Transient Antenna (ANITA)

Ultra-High Energy Particle Astrophysics



ANITA-2 (2008-2009)
limits 2010: currently world's best in UHE range; several mainstream cosmogenic neutrino models are now eliminated at >90%CL; **several models predict 2-3 events.**



ANITA-1 (2006-2007) detected UHECRs via geosynchrotron radio impulse detection

[arXiv:1005.0035v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/1005.0035v2)
 [astro-ph.HE]

ANITA-3 plans:

- Improve sensitivity by x3 with better hardware trigger, more antennas
- Optimize for both UHECRs & neutrinos
 - ~350-500 UHECR events expected
- Try for up to 60 days of flight exposure, 5-10 neutrino events?

A step closer to ULDB

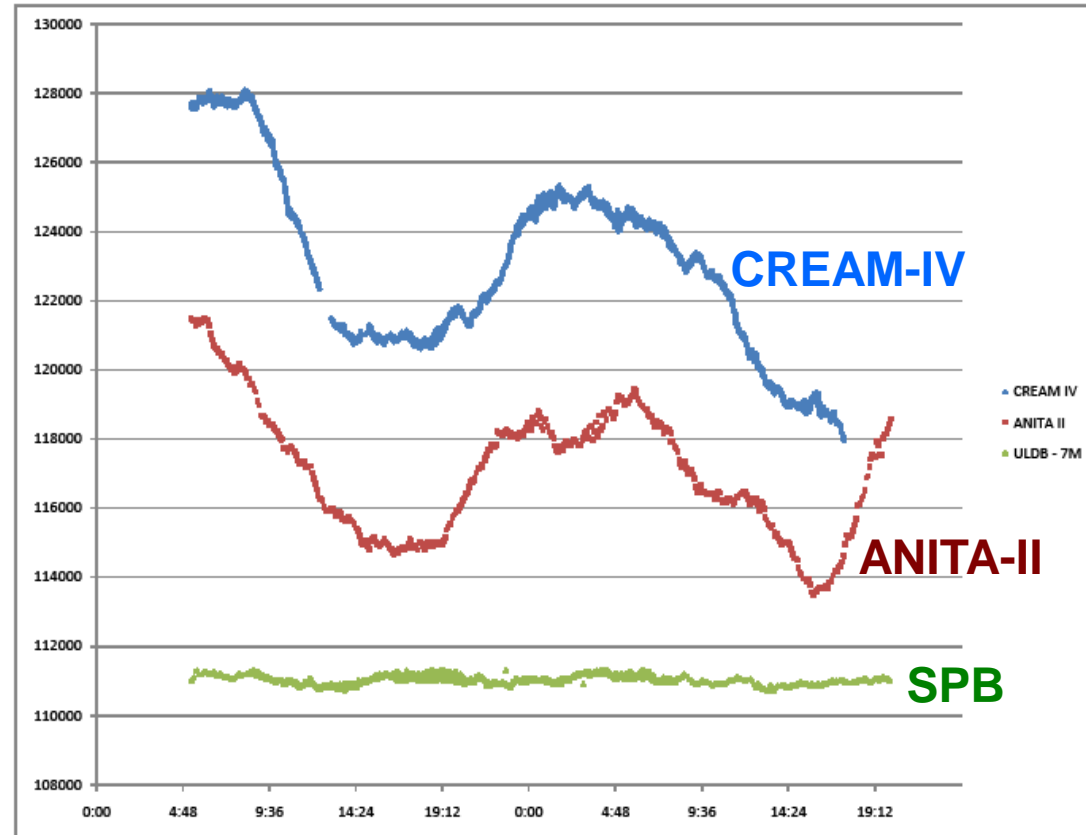
Successful SPB Test Flight

7 MCF At Float



54 days (12/28/08 – 2/20/09)

The super pressure balloon's altitude stability



Acknowledgment

