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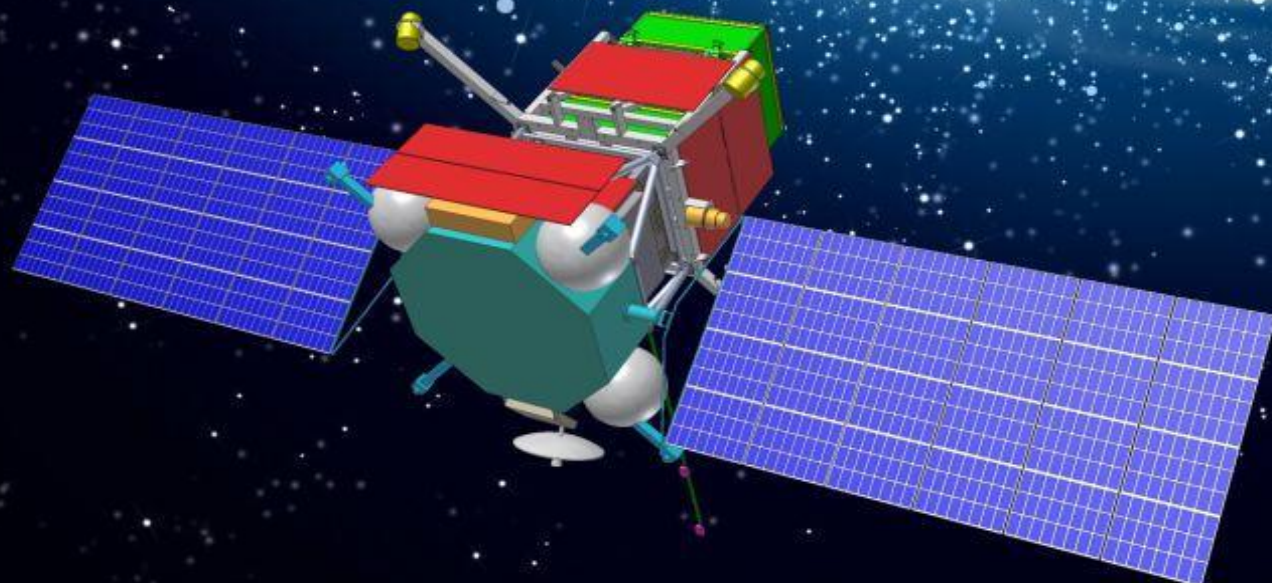


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**GAMMA-400 gamma-ray telescope  
for direct gamma- and cosmic-ray  
observations**



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# High-energy gamma-ray studying with space-based instruments



## **AGILE**

Italy

from 2007

100 MeV – 50 GeV

0.36 m<sup>2</sup>

## **Fermi-LAT**

USA

from 2008

100 MeV – 300 GeV

1.8 m<sup>2</sup>

## **CALET**

Japan

from 2015

1 GeV – 10 TeV

0.1 m<sup>2</sup>

## **DAMPE**

China

from 2015

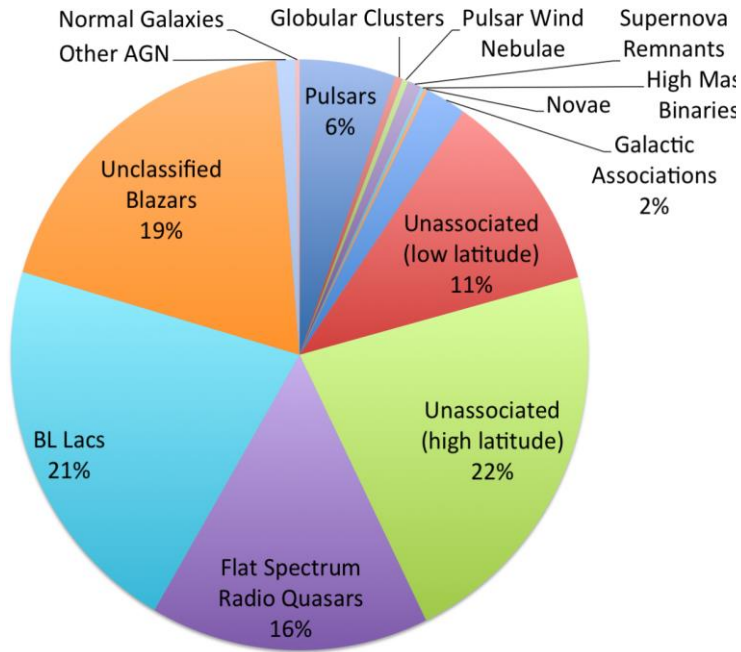
5 GeV – 10 TeV

0.36 m<sup>2</sup>



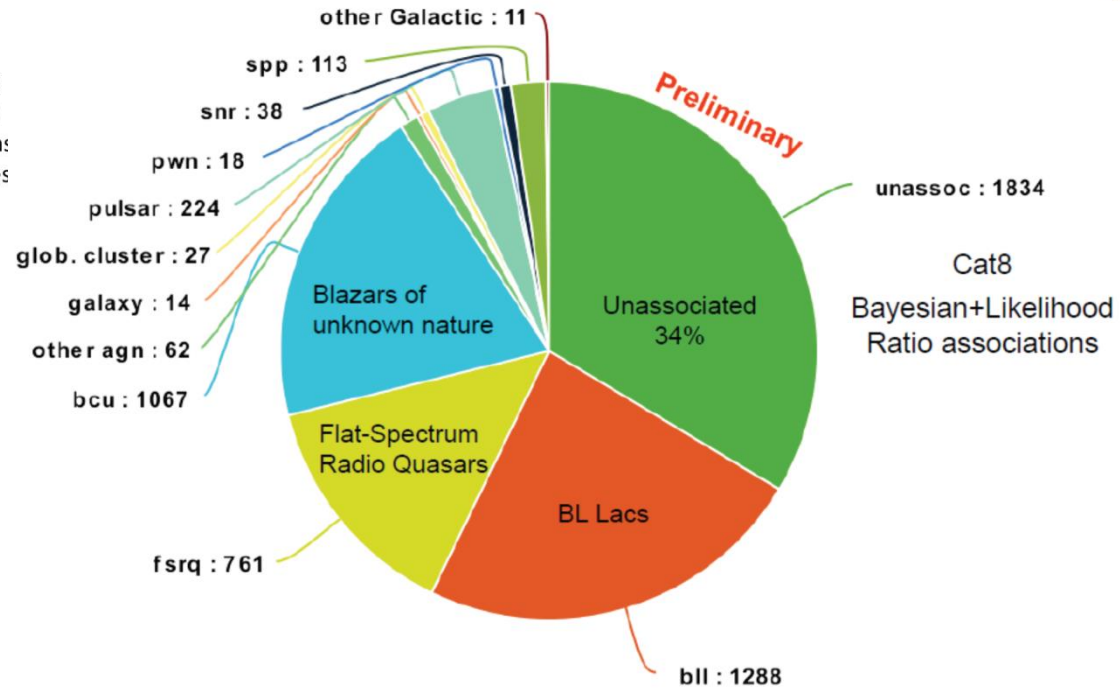
# High-energy gamma-ray studying

## Fermi-LAT



**33% sources are unassociated**

3033 sources  
(3FGL,  $E_\gamma = 100 \text{ MeV} - 100 \text{ GeV}$ )



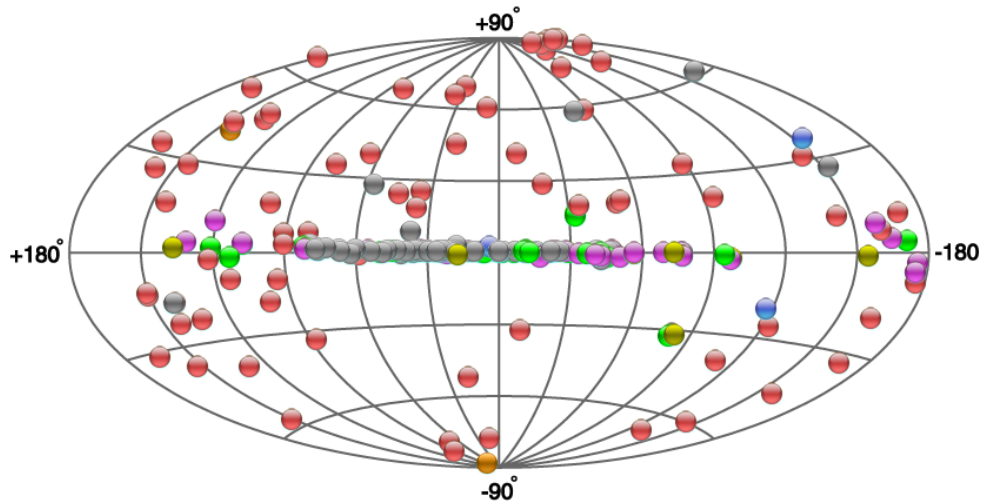
**34% sources are unassociated**

5523 sources  
(4FGL,  $E_\gamma = 100 \text{ MeV} - 1000 \text{ GeV}$ )

**Fermi-LAT angular resolution is**  
 **$\sim 0.1^\circ$  ( $E_\gamma > 10 \text{ GeV}$ )**

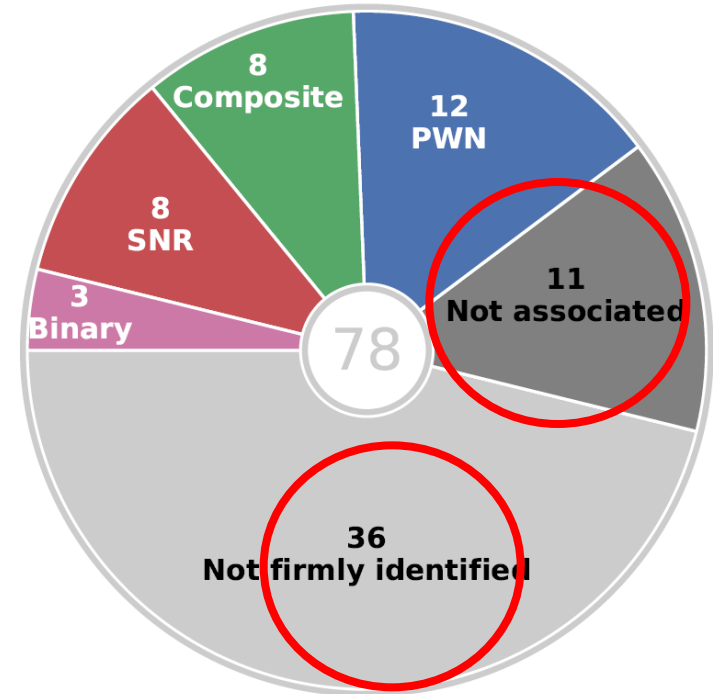
# High-energy gamma-ray studying

## Ground-based data



Distribution of **210** discrete sources  
(TeVCat,  $E_\gamma > 100$  GeV)

**Ground-based  
telescope angular  
resolution is  
 $\sim 0.1^\circ$  ( $E_\gamma \sim 100$  GeV)**

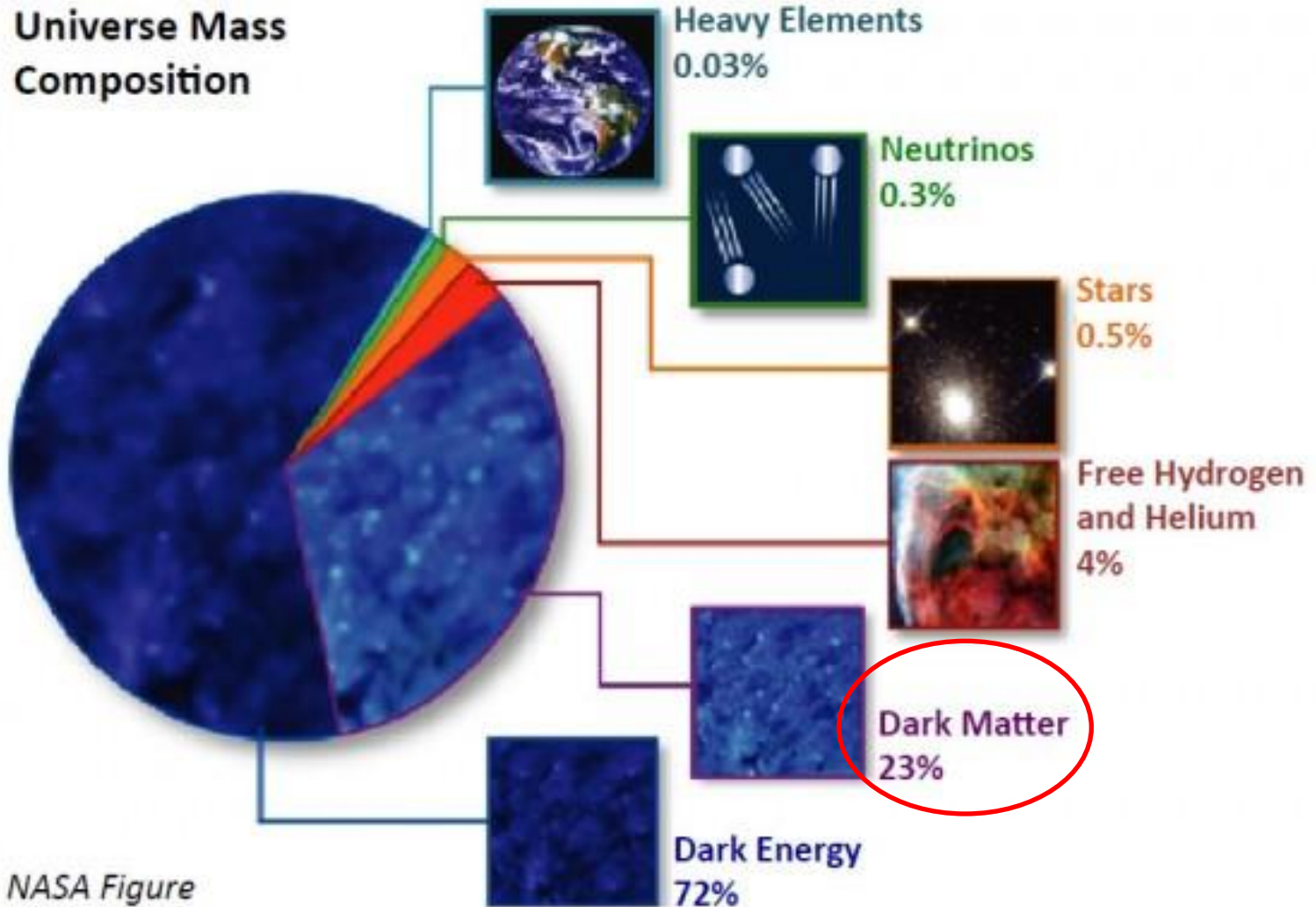


Composition of discrete sources  
recorded by H.E.S.S.

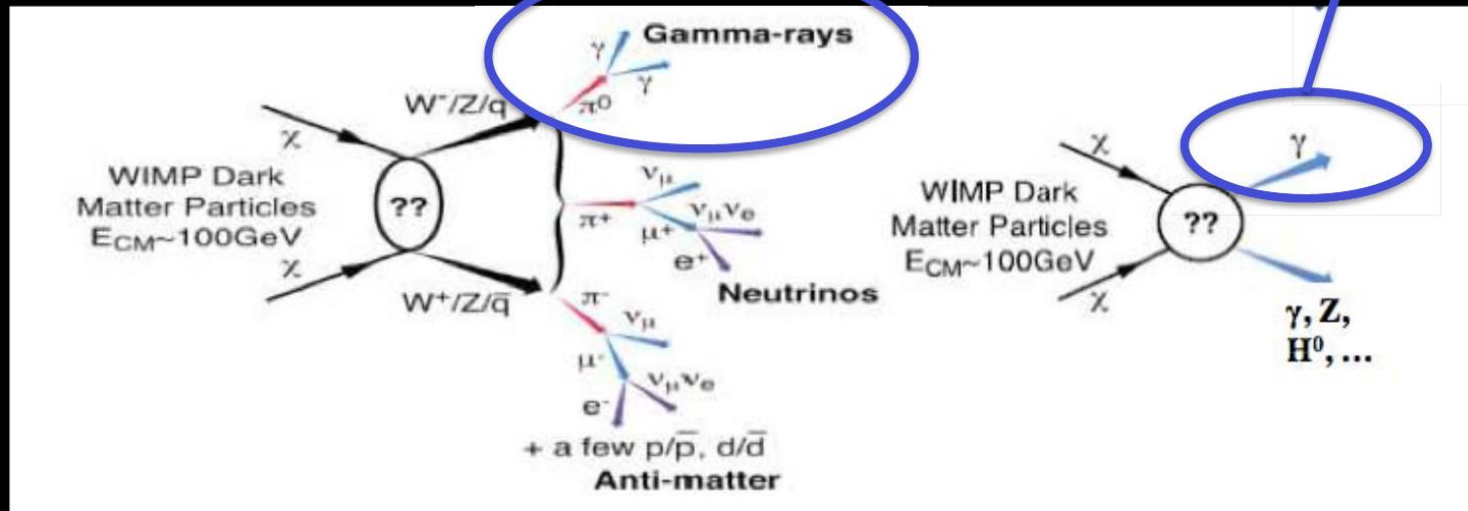
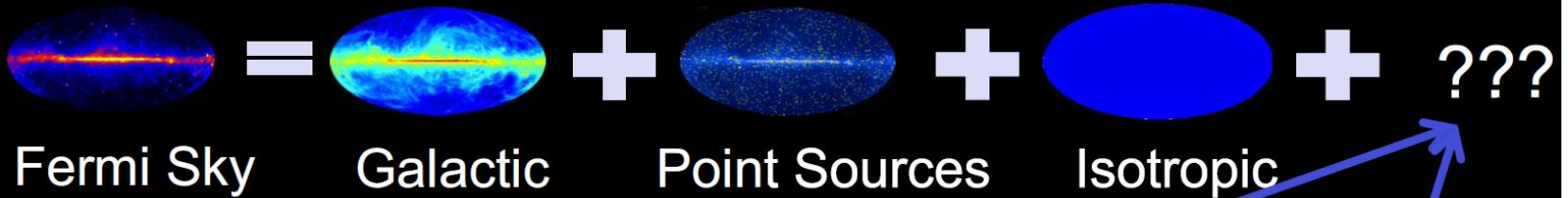
**Fermi-LAT ( $\sim 0.1^\circ$ ,  $E_\gamma > 10$  GeV)  
and ground-based telescope  
( $\sim 0.1^\circ$ ,  $E_\gamma \sim 100$  GeV) angular  
resolutions are insufficient to  
identify many gamma-ray sources**

# Studying the nature of dark matter with high-energy gamma-ray astronomy

Universe Mass  
Composition



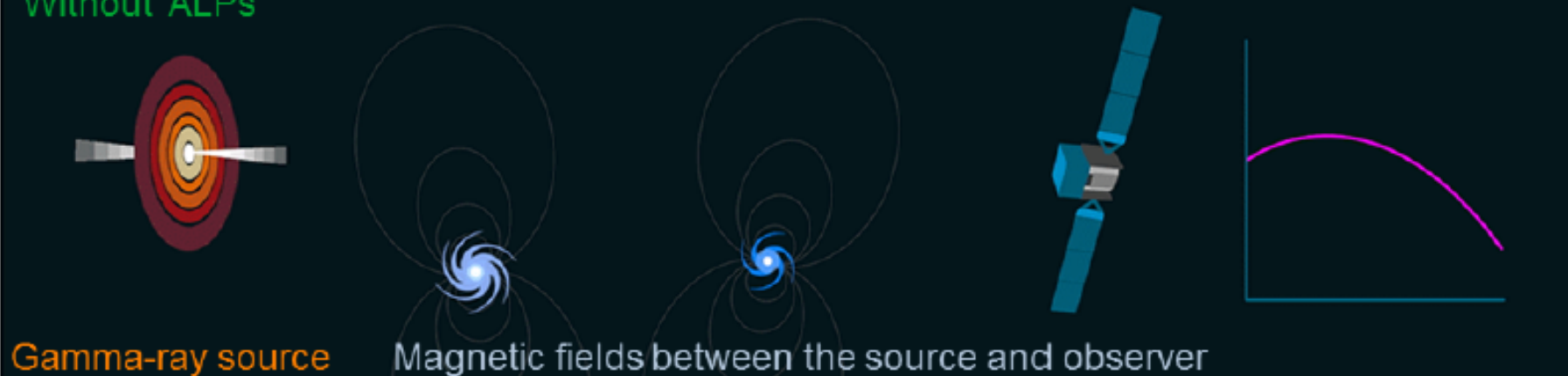
# Indirect Searches for DM in the Fermi Sky



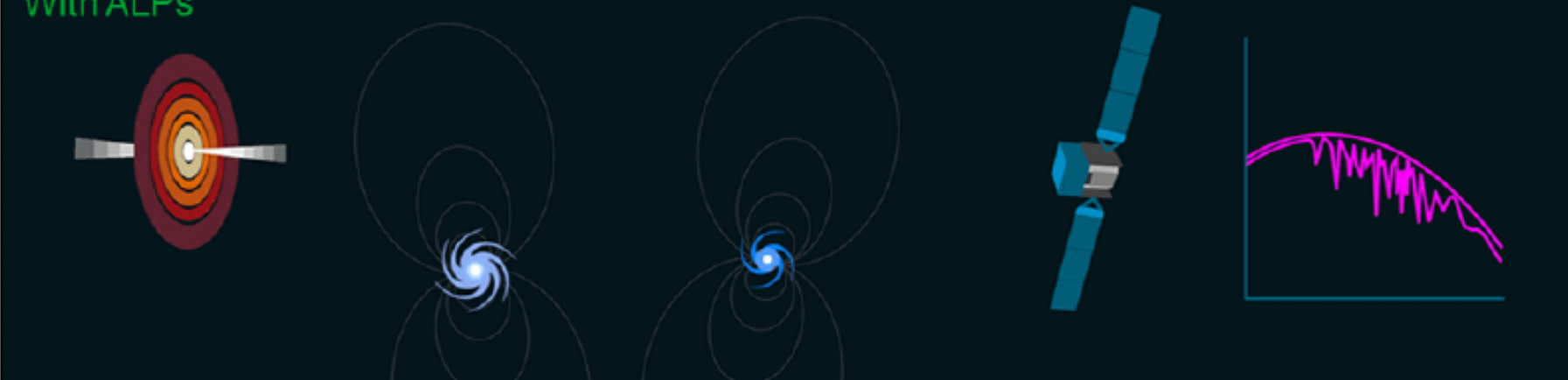
One of the leading candidates for the DM particle are weakly interacting massive particles (WIMPs) producing gamma rays after annihilation or decay

# ALP signature searches in pulsar and blazar spectra

Without ALPs



With ALPs

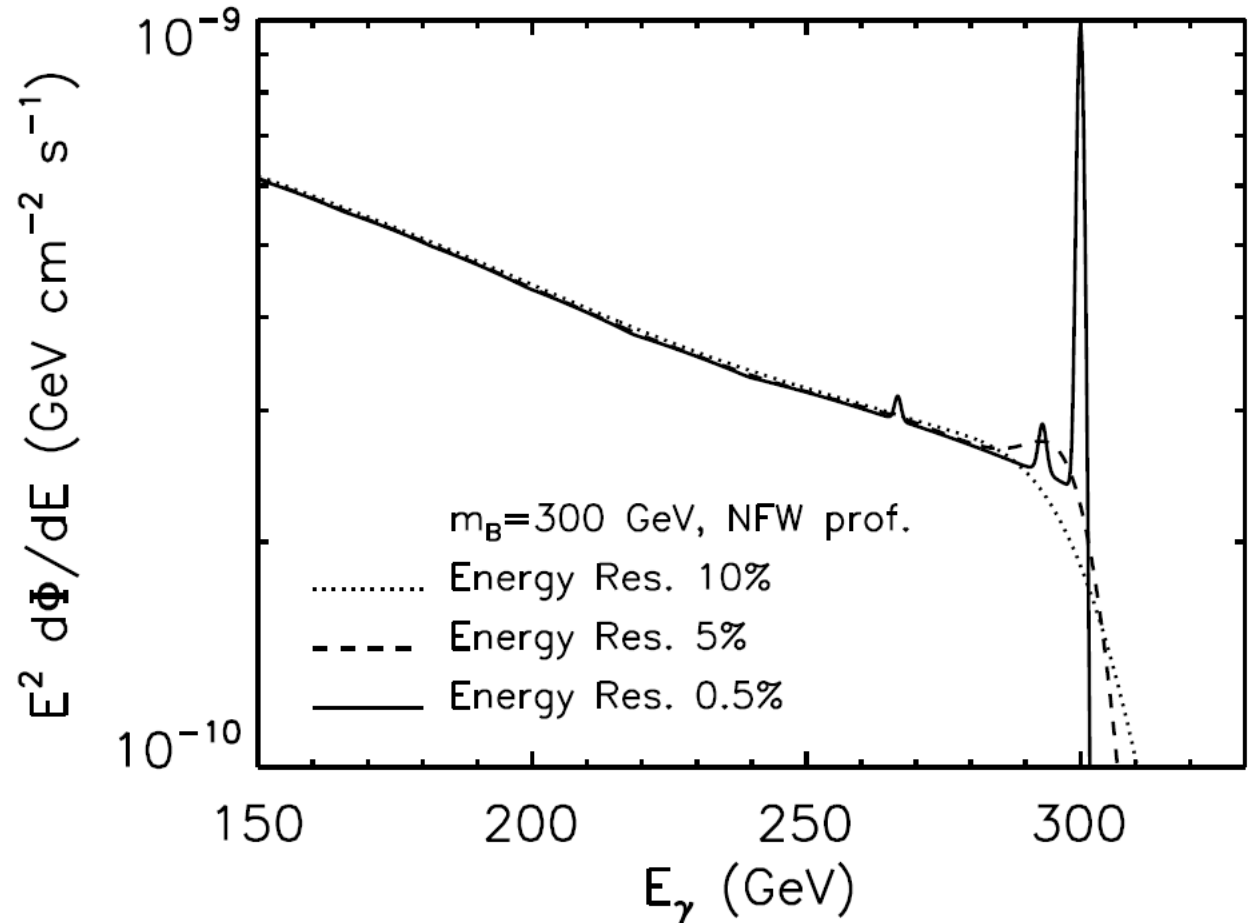


$$\gamma + \mathbf{B} \leftrightarrow \gamma + \mathbf{ALP} \text{ — conversion}$$

The key relevant parameters of ALP are its mass  $m_a$  and electromagnetic coupling constant  $g_{a\gamma}$ . These parameters define the character of spectral features due to conversion.



# Capabilities of different gamma-ray telescopes to resolve DM lines



The gamma ray flux as a function of the photon's energy for a WIMP of mass 300 GeV. Shown are three different experimental energy resolutions.

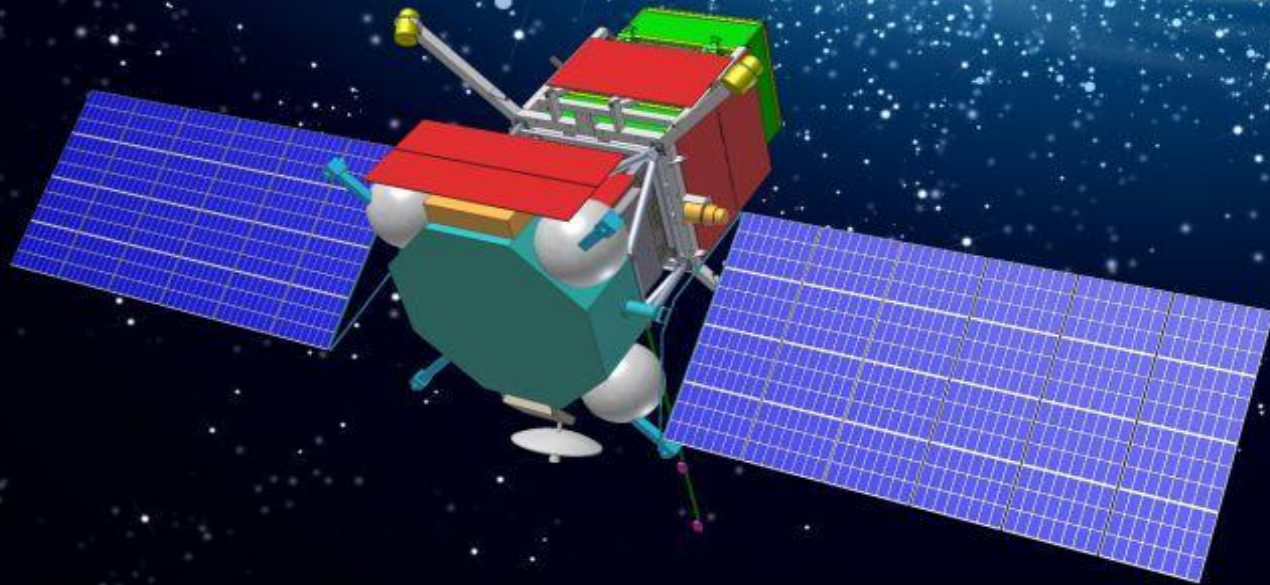
**Energy resolution for  
Fermi-LAT is ~10% ( $E_\gamma > 10 \text{ GeV}$ )  
and ground-based gamma-ray  
telescopes is ~15% ( $E_\gamma \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$ )**

**Fermi-LAT ( $\sim 10\%$ ,  $E_\gamma > 10$  GeV)  
and ground-based telescope  
( $\sim 15\%$ ,  $E_\gamma \sim 100$  GeV) energy  
resolutions are insufficient to  
resolve gamma-ray lines from DM**

**Future gamma-ray telescopes should  
have the significantly improved  
angular and energy resolutions**

Such a new generation telescope will be

# GAMMA-400





# **GAMMA-400**

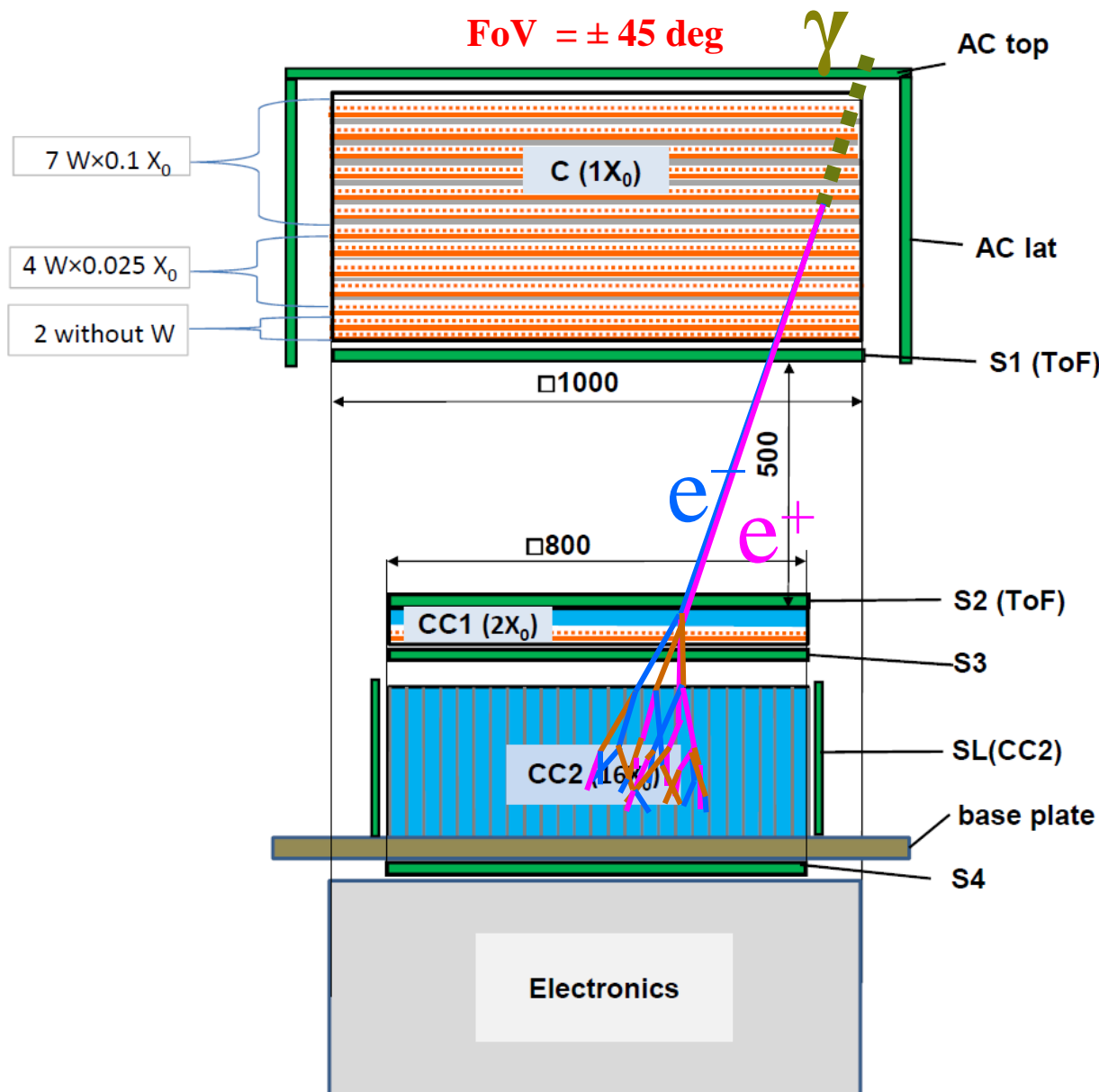
## **MAIN SCIENTIFIC GOALS**

The GAMMA-400 main scientific goals are:

- dark matter searching by means of gamma-ray astronomy;
- precise and detailed observations of Galactic plane, especially, Galactic Center, Fermi Bubbles, Crab, Vela, Cygnus, Geminga, Sun, and other regions,
- extended and point gamma-ray sources,
- gamma-ray bursts and other transients,
- diffuse gamma rays

with unprecedented angular ( **$\sim 0.01^\circ$  at  $E_\gamma = 100 \text{ GeV}$** ) and energy resolutions ( **$\sim 2\%$  at  $E_\gamma = 100 \text{ GeV}$** ), as well as detecting electron + positron fluxes with energies up to 10 TeV.

# The GAMMA-400 physical scheme - HE



**AC – anticoincidence system**

**C - converter-tracker  $\sim 1 X_0$**

**S1, S2 – TOF detectors**

**CC1, CC2 – calorimeter  
vertical thickness**

**$\sim 2+16=18 X_0$**

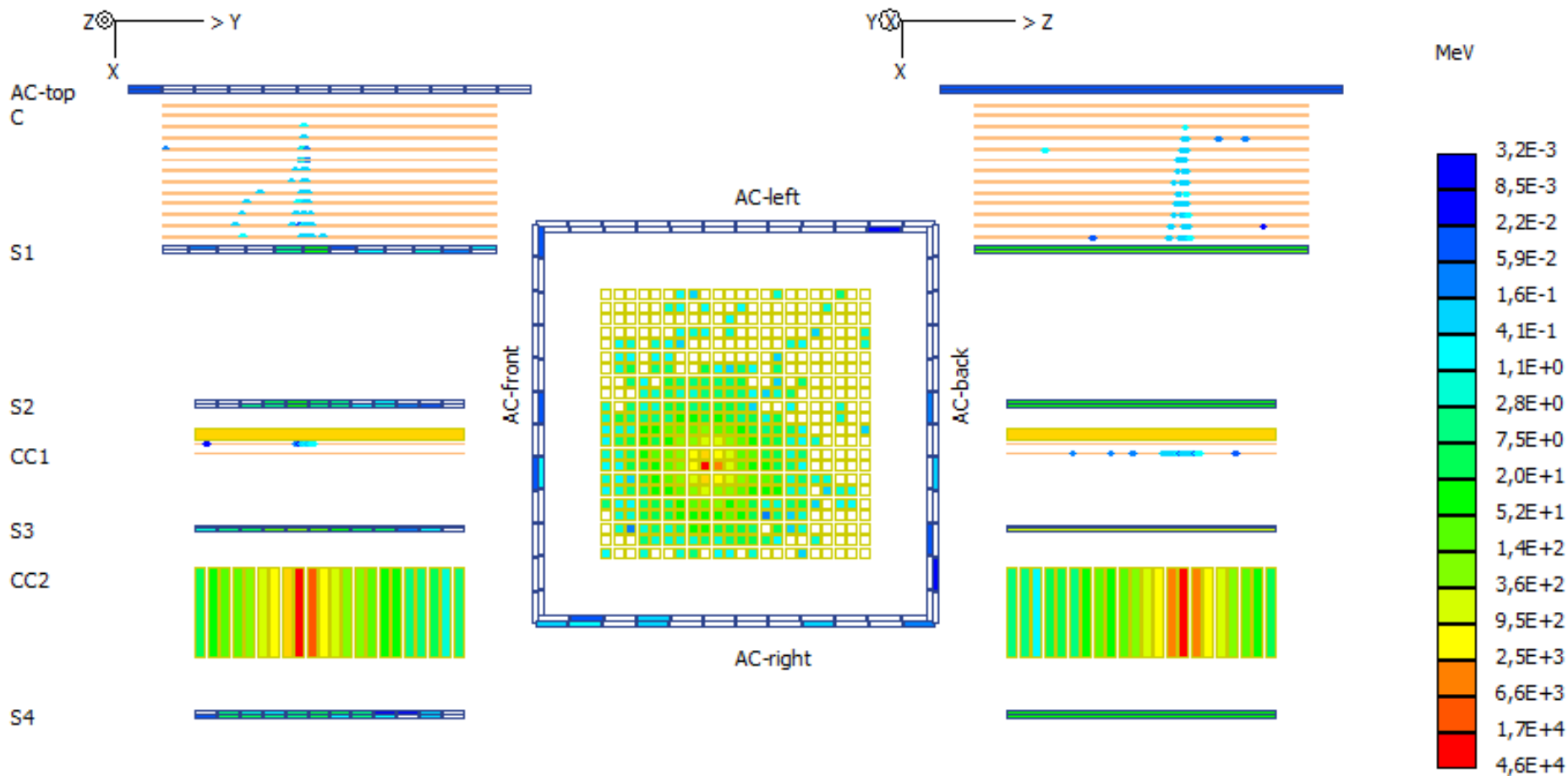
**S3, S4 – scintillator detectors**

**$\Delta E = \sim 20 \text{ MeV} - \sim 10 \text{ TeV}$**

**$\Delta\theta = \sim 0.01^\circ (E_\gamma = 100 \text{ GeV})$**

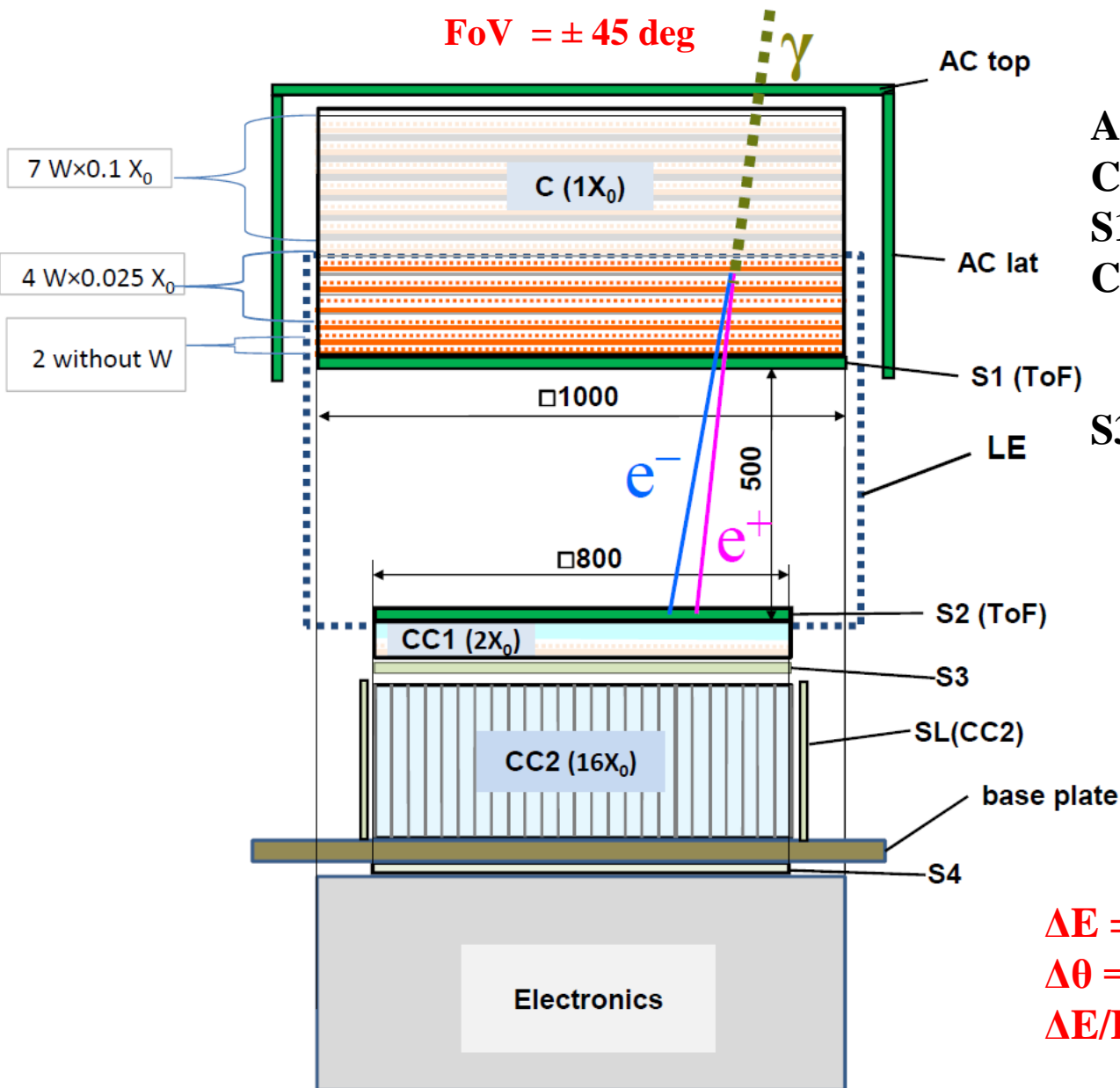
**$\Delta E/E = \sim 2\% (E_\gamma = 100 \text{ GeV})$**

# Simulation of recording 50-GeV gamma-quantum



Event 20 Full Energy deposition 45570,0977 MeV

# The GAMMA-400 physical scheme - LE



AC – anticoincidence system

C - converter-tracker  $\sim 1 X_0$

S1, S2 – TOF detectors

CC1, CC2 – calorimeter

vertical thickness

$\sim 2+16=18 X_0$

S3, S4 – scintillator detectors

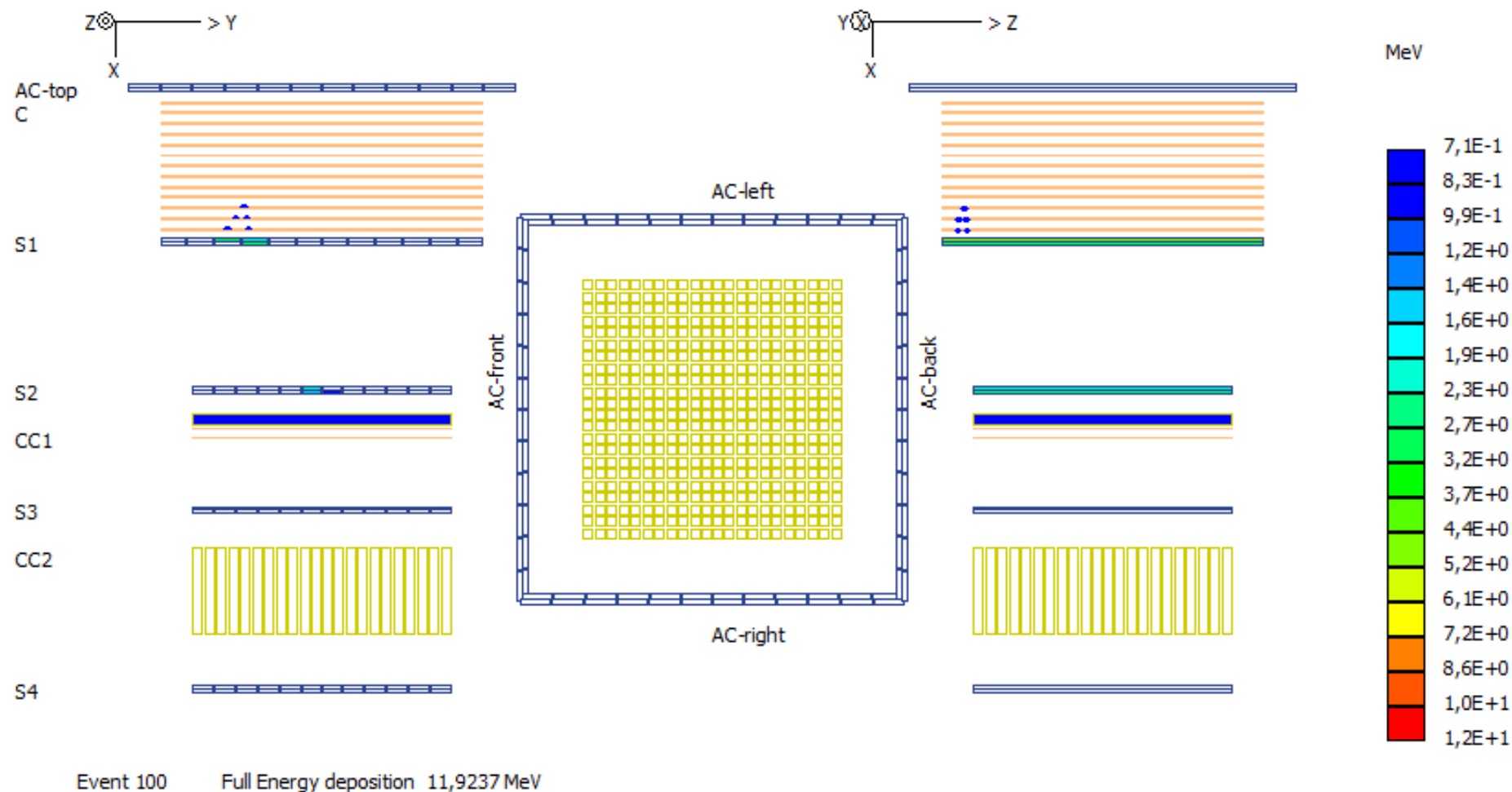
$\Delta E = \sim 20 \text{ MeV} - \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$

$\Delta \theta = \sim 3^\circ (E_\gamma = 100 \text{ MeV})$

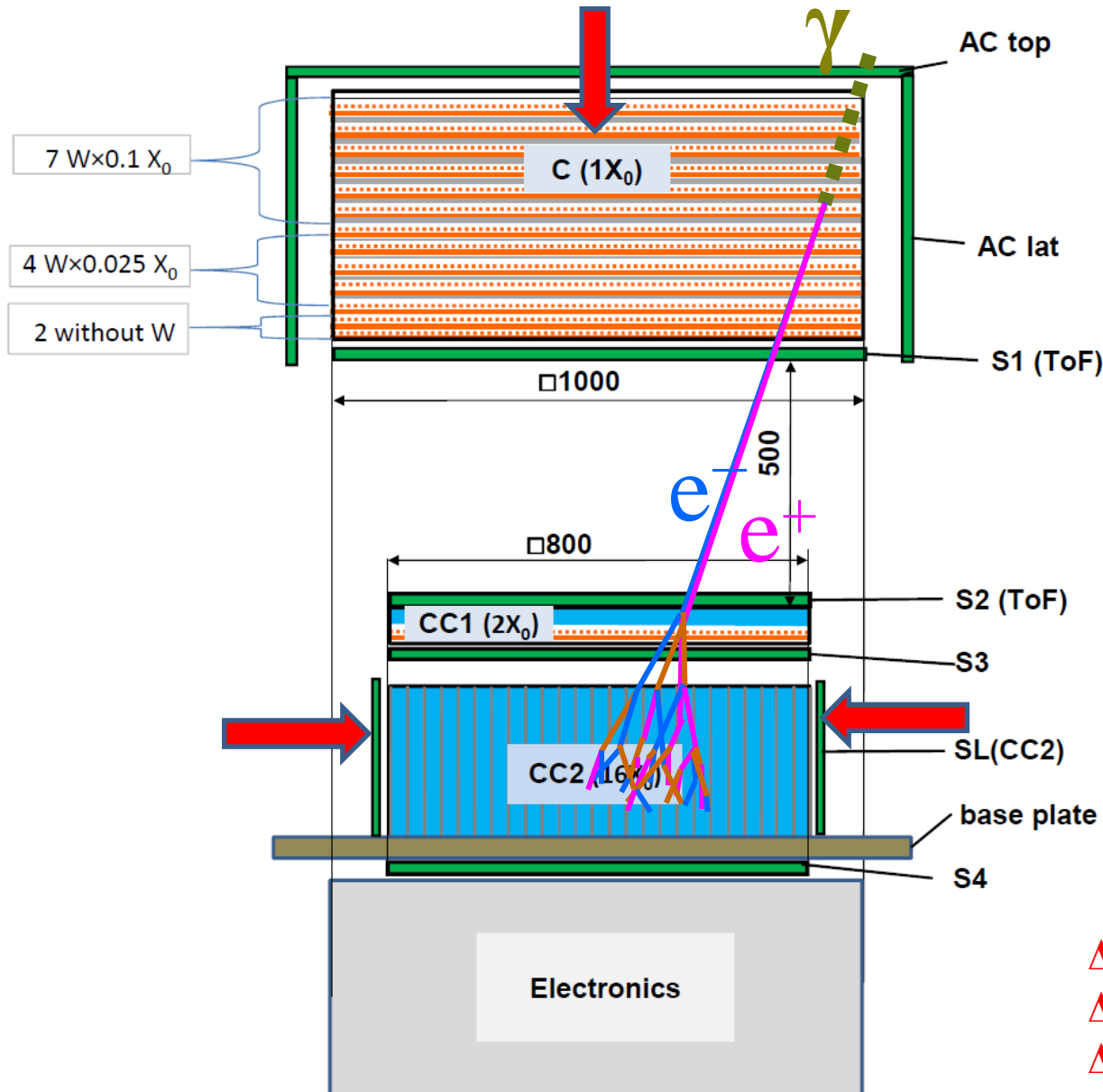
$\Delta E/E = \sim 10\% (E_\gamma = 100 \text{ MeV})$



# Simulation of recording 20-MeV gamma-quantum



# The GAMMA-400 physical scheme (gamma-ray bursts, electrons + positrons)



AC – anticoincidence system

C - converter-tracker  $\sim 1 X_0$

S1, S2 – TOF detectors

CC1, CC2 – calorimeter  
vertical thickness

$\sim 2 + 16 = 18 X_0$

CC2 – lateral thickness

$\sim 43 X_0$

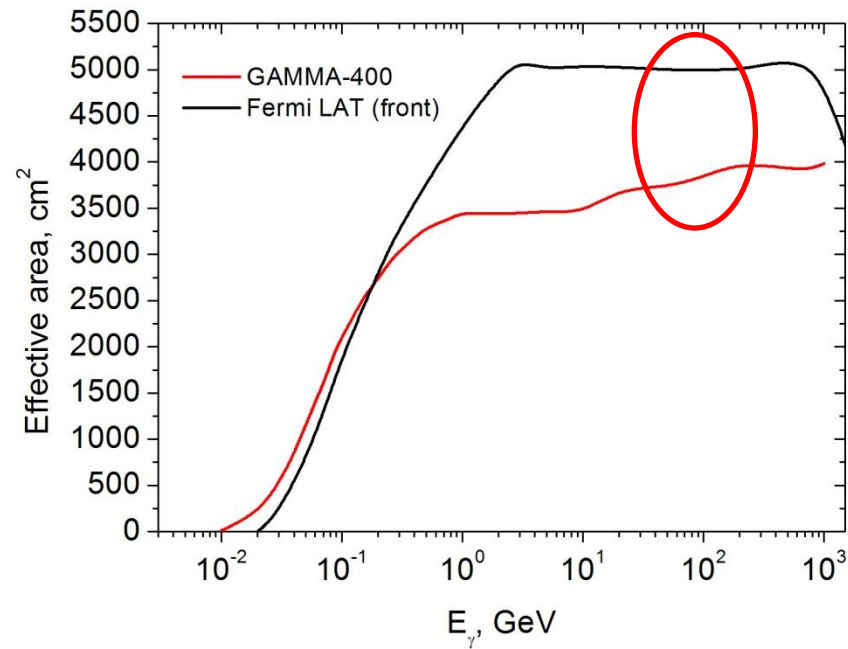
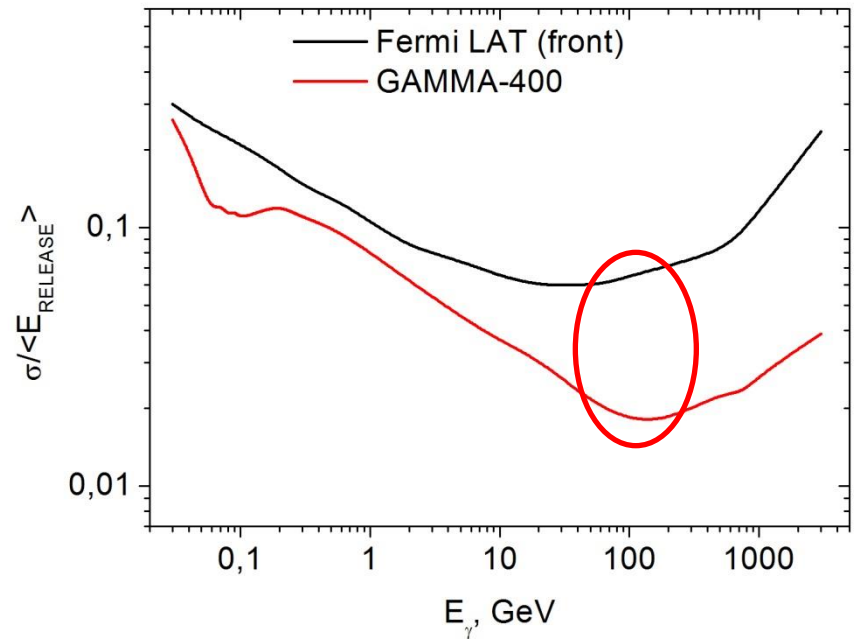
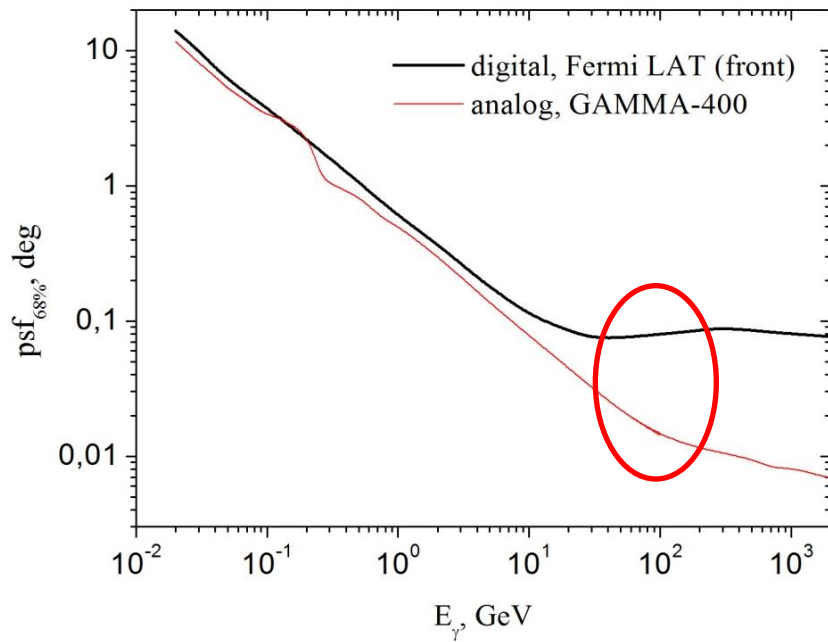
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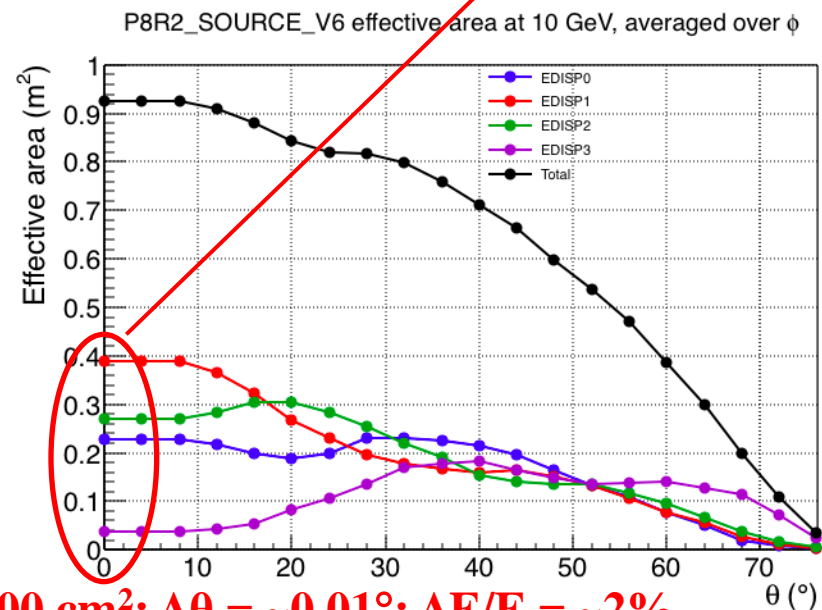
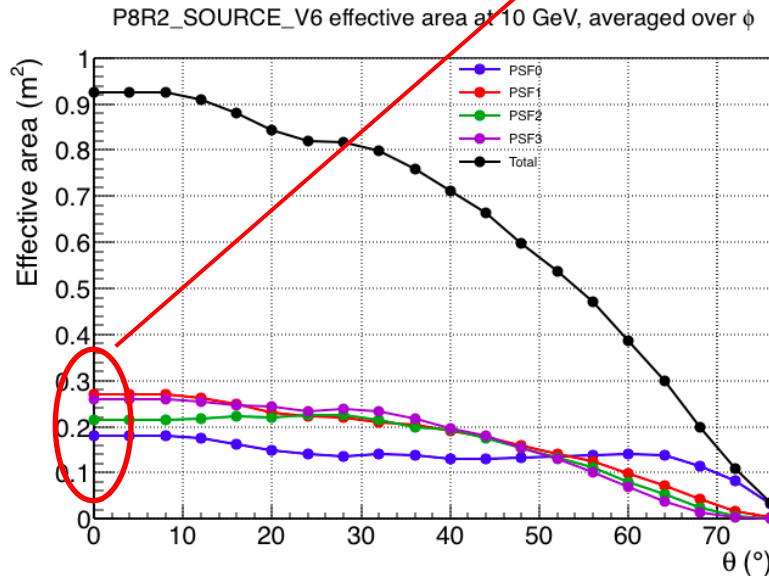
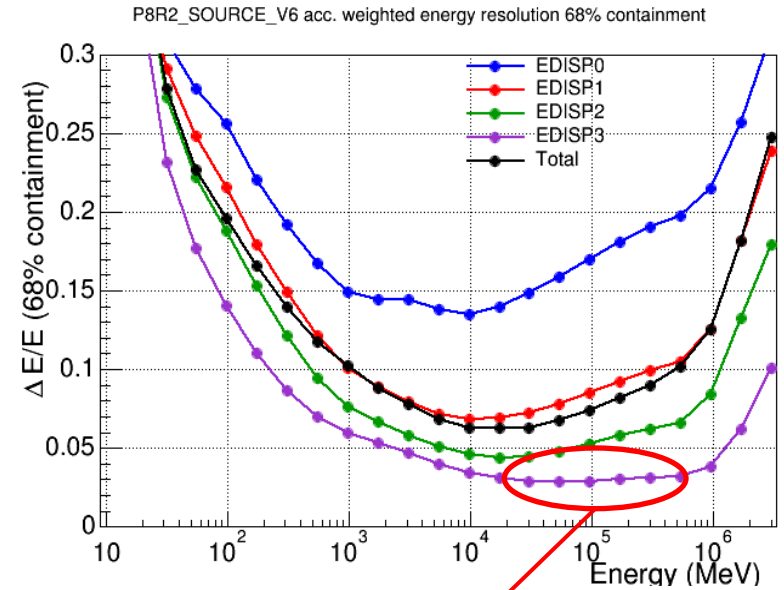
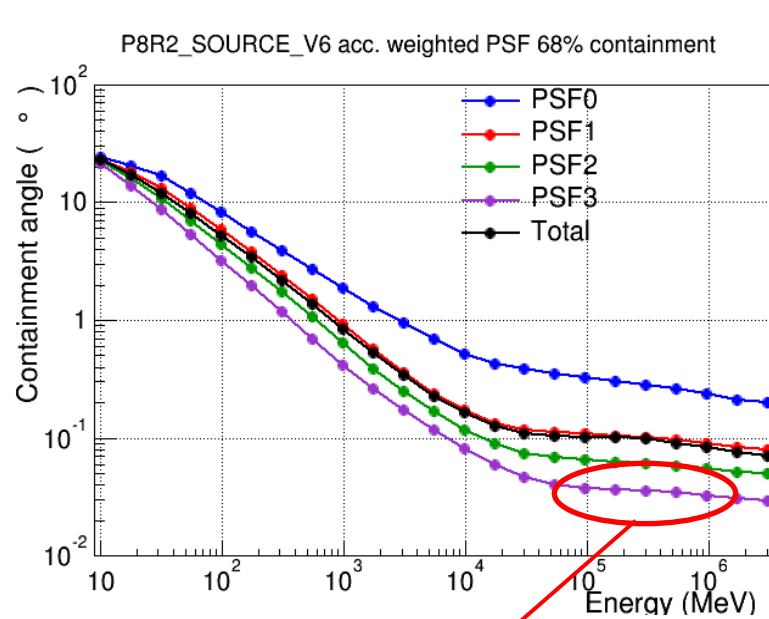
$\Delta E/E = \sim 2\% (E_\gamma = 100 \text{ GeV})$

# GAMMA-400 performance



# Fermi-LAT performance

Improvement in the energy and angular resolutions at the expense of decreasing the effective area



While for GAMMA-400 at 100 GeV:  $S = \sim 4000 \text{ cm}^2$ ;  $\Delta\theta = \sim 0.01^\circ$ ;  $\Delta E/E = \sim 2\%$

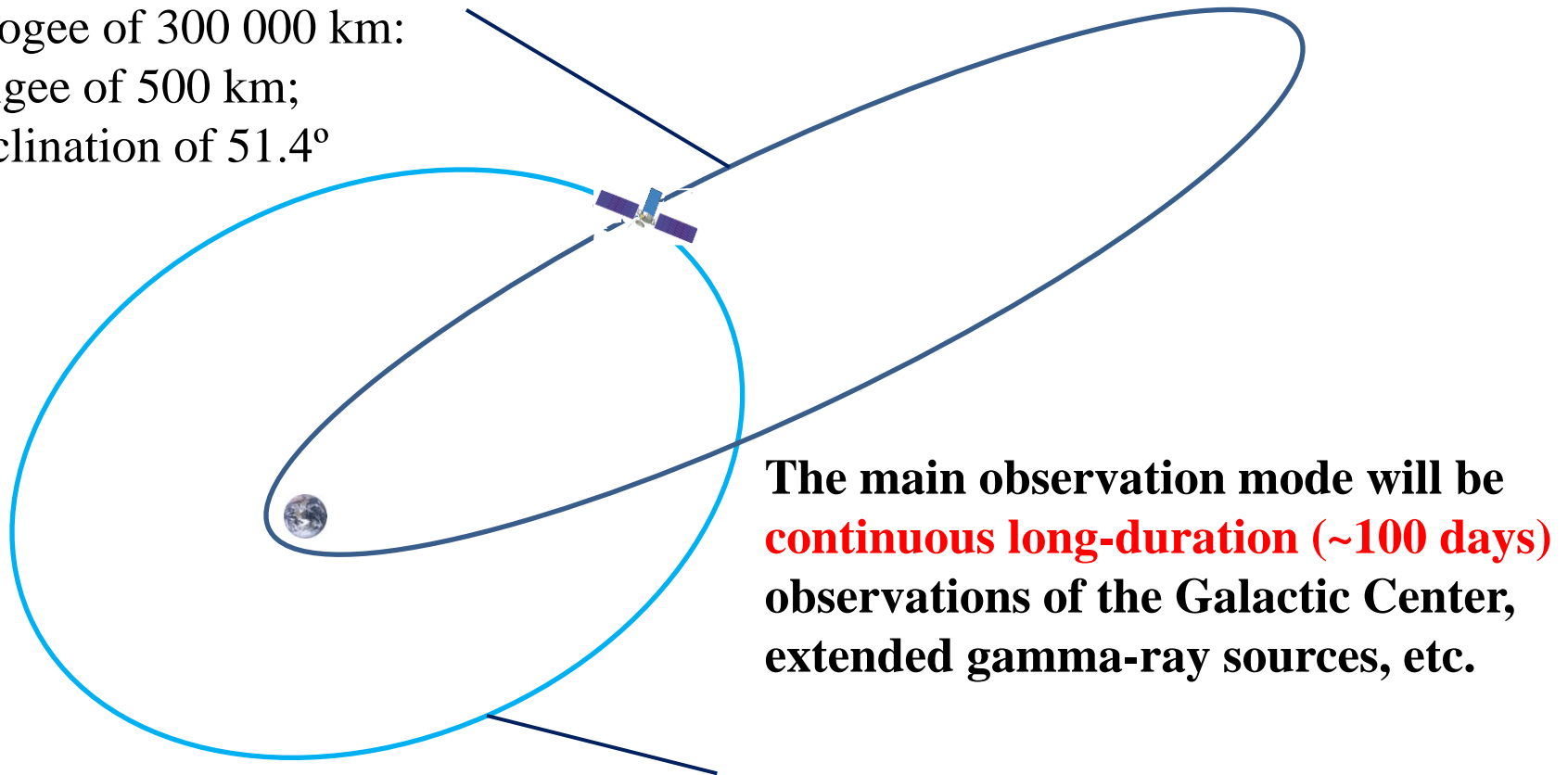


# The GAMMA-400 orbit evolution and observation modes

The orbit of the GAMMA-400 space observatory will have the following initial parameters:

- an apogee of 300 000 km;
- a perigee of 500 km;
- an inclination of  $51.4^\circ$

Time of operation will be 7-10 years



The main observation mode will be **continuous long-duration (~100 days)** observations of the Galactic Center, extended gamma-ray sources, etc.

Under the action of gravitational disturbances of the Sun, Moon, and the Earth after ~6 months the orbit will transform to about circular with a radius of ~200 000 km and will be without the Earth's occultation and out of radiation belts.

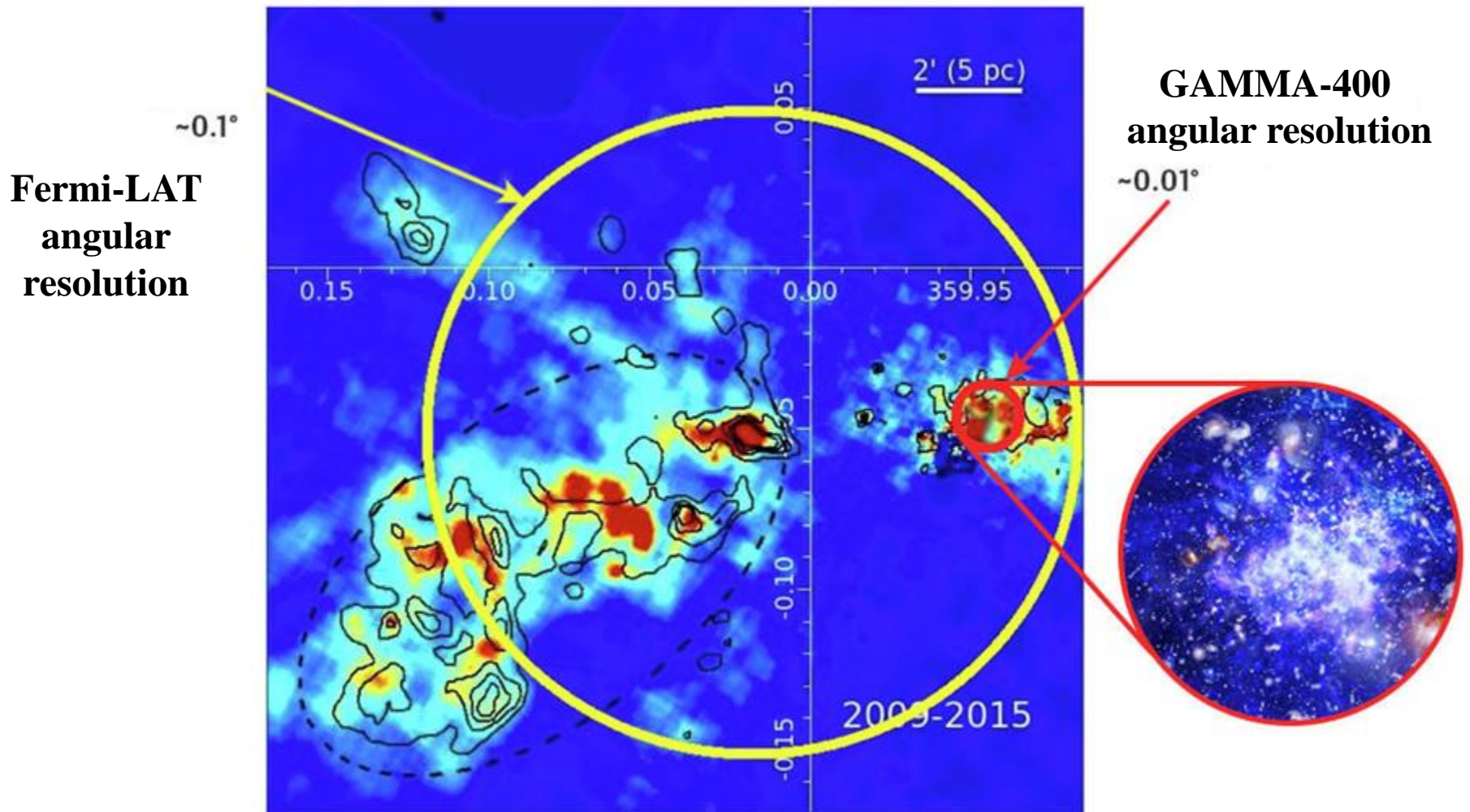
# Comparison of the main parameters for GAMMA-400 and Fermi-LAT

	Fermi-LAT	GAMMA-400
Orbit	Circular, 565 km	Highly elliptical, 500-300000 km <b>(without the Earth's occultation)</b>
Operation mode	Sky-survey (3 hours)	<b>Point observation (up to 100 days)</b>
Source exposition	1/8	<b>1</b>
Energy range	~100 MeV - ~300 GeV	<b>~20 MeV – ~10 TeV</b>
Effective area ( $E_\gamma > 1$ GeV)	~5000 cm <sup>2</sup> (front)	~4000 cm <sup>2</sup>
Coordinate detectors - readout	Si strips (pitch 0.23 mm) digital	Scintillation fibers <b>analog</b>
Angular resolution	~3° ( $E_\gamma = 100$ MeV) ~0.2° ( $E_\gamma = 10$ GeV) ~0.1° ( $E_\gamma > 100$ GeV)	<b>~3° (<math>E_\gamma = 100</math> MeV) ~0.01° (<math>E_\gamma = 100</math> GeV)</b>
Calorimeter - thickness	CsI(Tl) ~8.5X <sub>0</sub>	CsI(Tl)+fibers <b>~18X<sub>0</sub></b>
Energy resolution	~18% ( $E_\gamma = 100$ MeV) ~10% ( $E_\gamma = 10$ GeV) ~10% ( $E_\gamma > 100$ GeV)	<b>~10% (<math>E_\gamma = 100</math> MeV) ~2% (<math>E_\gamma = 100</math> GeV)</b>
Proton rejection factor	~10 <sup>3</sup>	<b>~3x10<sup>5</sup></b>
Mass	2800 kg	~2100 kg
Telemetry downlink volume, Gbytes/day	15 Gbytes/day	<b>100 Gbytes/day</b>

# Comparison of main parameters of operated, current, and planned space-based and ground-based instruments

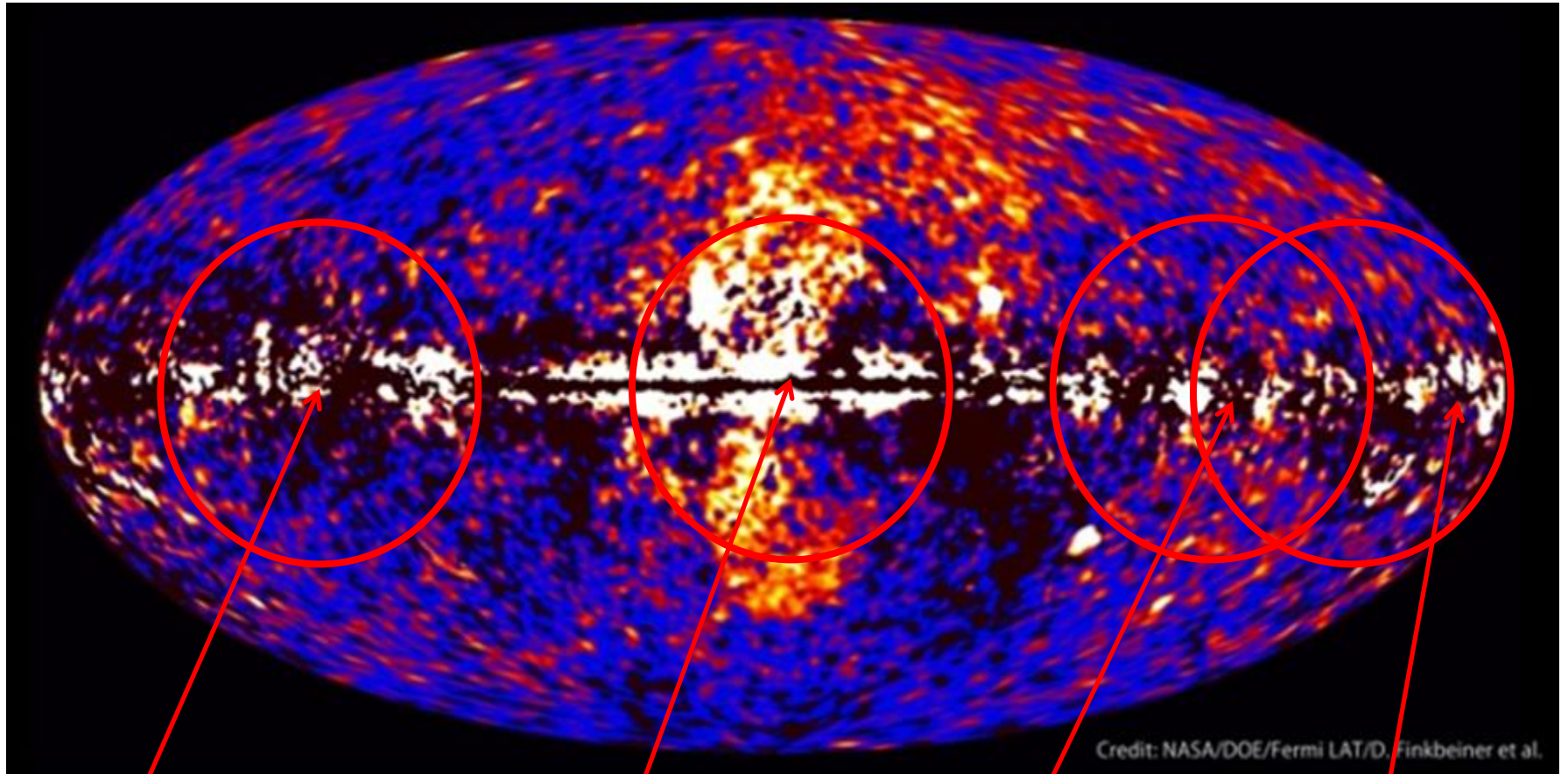
	SPACE-BASED INSTRUMENTS					GROUND-BASED GAMMA-RAY FACILITIES			
	AGILE	Fermi-LAT	DAMPE	CALET	GAMMA-400	H.E.S.S.-II	MAGIC	VERITAS	CTA
Particles	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	e, nuclei, $\gamma$	e, nuclei, $\gamma$	$\gamma$ , e	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\gamma$
Operation period	2007-	2008-	2015	2015	~2025	2012-	2009-	2007-	~2020
Energy range, GeV	0.03-50	0.02-300	5-10000	10-10000	<b>0.02-~10000</b>	> 30	> 50	> 100	> 20
Angular resolution ( $E_\gamma = 100$ GeV)	0.1° ( $E_\gamma \sim 1$ GeV)	0.1°	0.1°	0.1°	<b>~0.01°</b>	0.07°	0.07° ( $E_\gamma = 300$ GeV)	0.1°	0.1° ( $E_\gamma = 100$ GeV) 0.05° ( $E_\gamma > 1$ TeV)
Energy resolution ( $E_\gamma = 100$ GeV)	50% ( $E_\gamma \sim 1$ GeV)	10%	1-2%	1-2%	<b>~2%</b>	15%	20% ( $E_\gamma = 100$ GeV) 15% ( $E_\gamma = 1$ TeV)	15%	20% ( $E_\gamma = 100$ GeV) 5% ( $E_\gamma = 10$ TeV)
Sensitive area, m <sup>2</sup>	0,36	1,8	0,36	0,1	<b>0.64</b>				

**Identification of unidentified Fermi-LAT sources,  
studying extended sources due to better angular resolution,  
continuous long-duration ( $\sim 100$  days) observations**





**Galactic Center, Fermi Bubbles, Crab, Cygnus, Vela, Geminga, and other regions will be observed with the GAMMA-400 aperture of  $\pm 45^\circ$**



**Cygnus**

**Galactic Center,  
Fermi Bubbles**

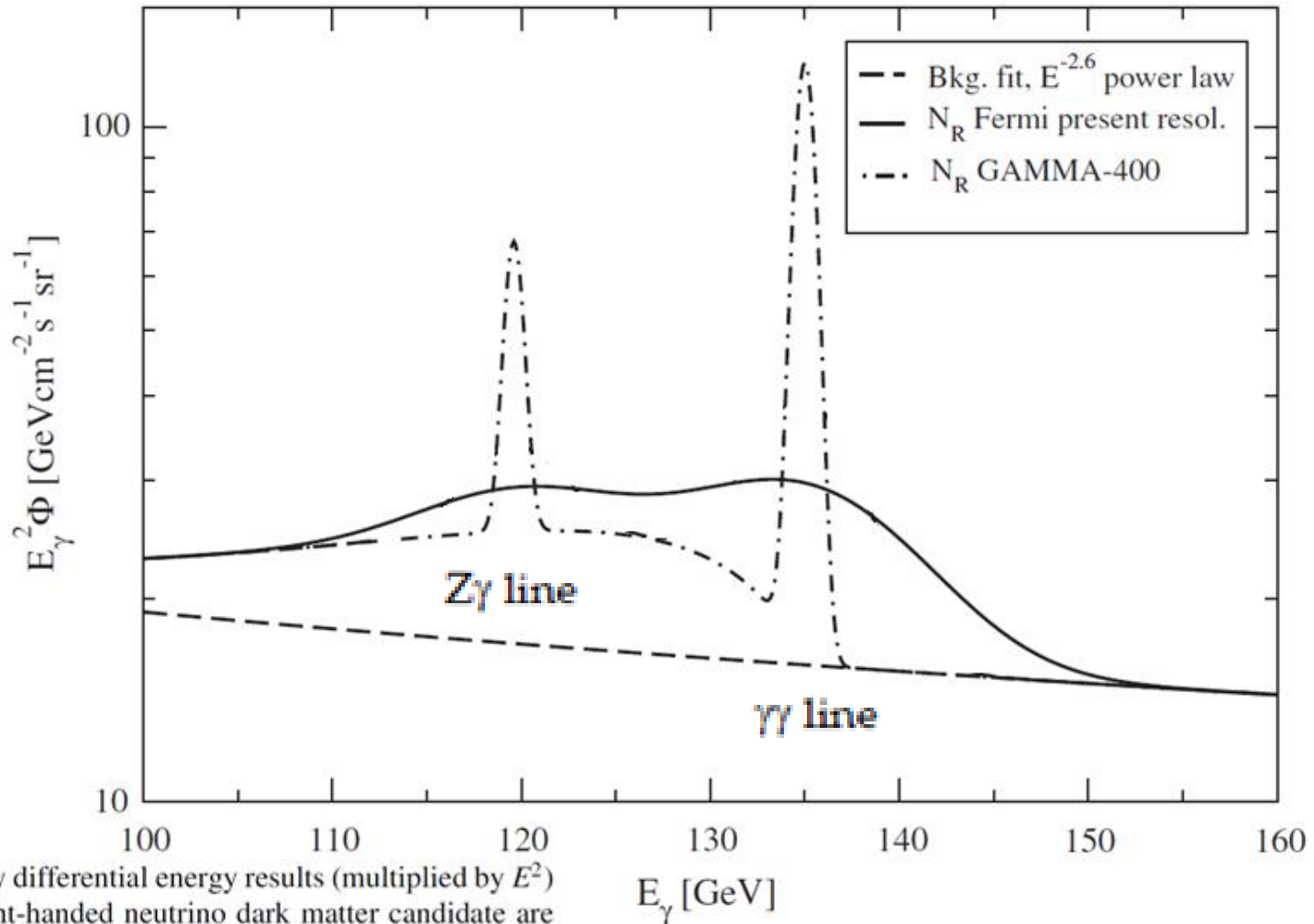
**Vela**

**Crab, Geminga**

**Number of simultaneously and uninterruptedly observed sources  
(at  $N_\gamma > 10$  for each source) and number of gammas, when observing  
Galactic center, Crab + Geminga, Vela, and Cygnus regions  
by GAMMA-400 (effective area = 4000 cm<sup>2</sup>,  $T_{\text{obs}} = 100$  days, aperture  $\pm 45^\circ$ ),  
using the data from 3FGL for different energy ranges**

Energy range	100 MeV-100 GeV		1 GeV-100 GeV		10 GeV-100 GeV	
Direction						
	$N_{\text{sources}}$	$N_\gamma$	$N_{\text{sources}}$	$N_\gamma$	$N_{\text{sources}}$	$N_\gamma$
Galactic center b=0°, l=0°	723	523146	422	47505	21	1364
Crab + Geminga b=0°, l=190°	495	310384	175	39163	11	1020
Vela b=0°, l=265°	649	523077	280	63253	9	1163
Cygnus b=0°, l=75°	604	318788	269	30941	12	1007

# Searching for dark matter particles due to better energy resolution



$\Delta E/E$   
~10%  
~2%

FIG. 3. The  $\gamma$ -ray differential energy results (multiplied by  $E^2$ ) for a 135 GeV right-handed neutrino dark matter candidate are shown, with the present Fermi-LAT energy resolution  $\Delta E/E = 10\%$  FWHM (solid line)

and with a future  $\gamma$ -ray instrument, such as GAMMA-400 [38] (dash-dotted line) with resolution at the one percent level. The extrapolated power-law  $\sim E^{-2.6}$  of the presently measured continuous  $\gamma$ -ray background is also shown.

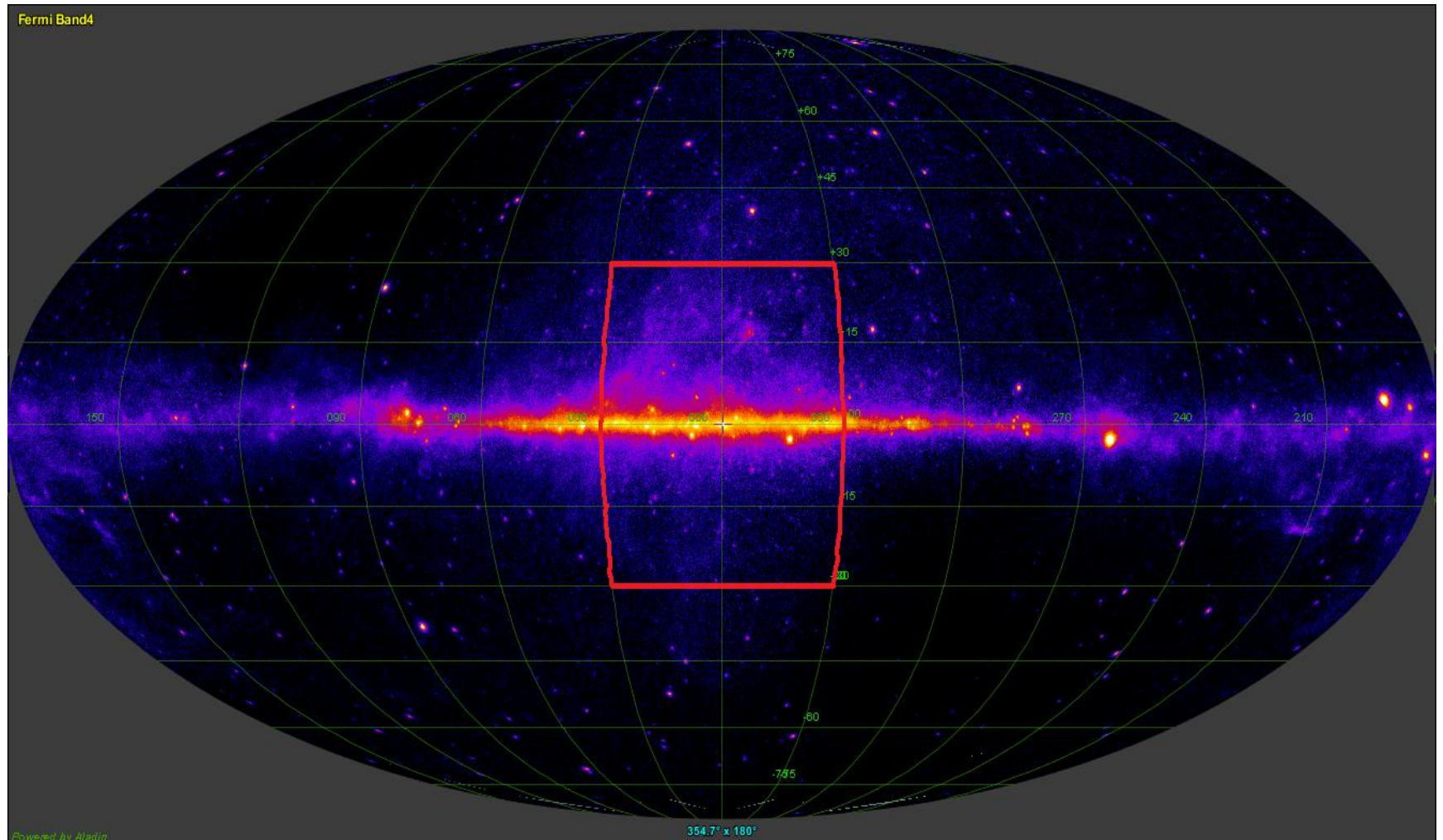
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**130 GeV fingerprint of right-handed neutrino dark matter**

Lars Bergström\*



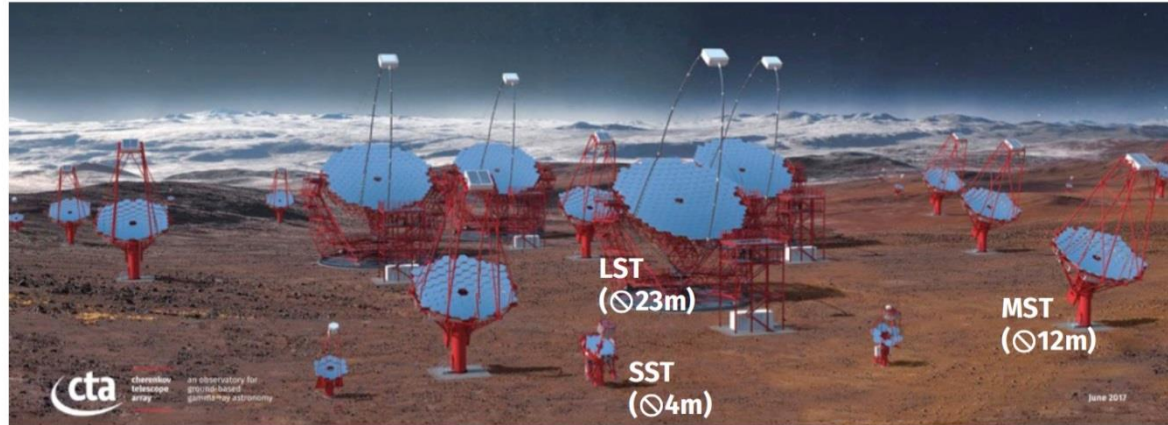
# Searching for WIMP and ALP gamma-ray lines in the region of Galactic center



**GAMMA-400 FoV**

# Simultaneous operation of GAMMA-400 and CTA

## Cherenkov Telescope Array



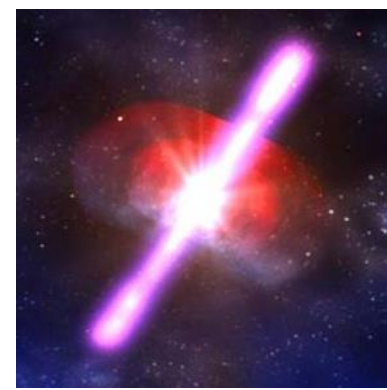
One of our worries in terms of maximising the science output of **CTA** is the coverage of the GeV domain - that is crucial for interpretation of sources - after the termination of Fermi. Obviously, **Gamma-400** is very well suited to fill that gap, and **joint observations or joint projects seem very natural**.

We are currently slightly reorganising our science groups, and one essential element of CTA science planning in the next years will be to set up relations with other instruments aiming to coordinate multiwavelength observations, ultimately with the goal to aim for MoUs where appropriate. **We are certainly be very happy to interact with your team on this** (our yet-to-be appointed new science coordinator would be the prime contact).

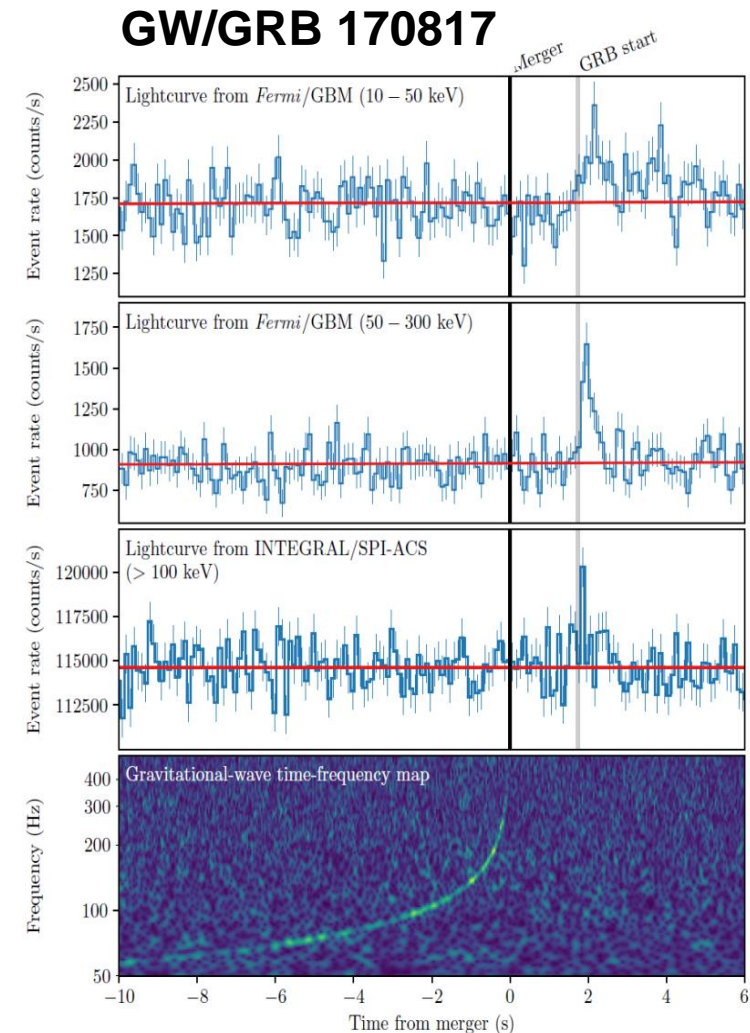
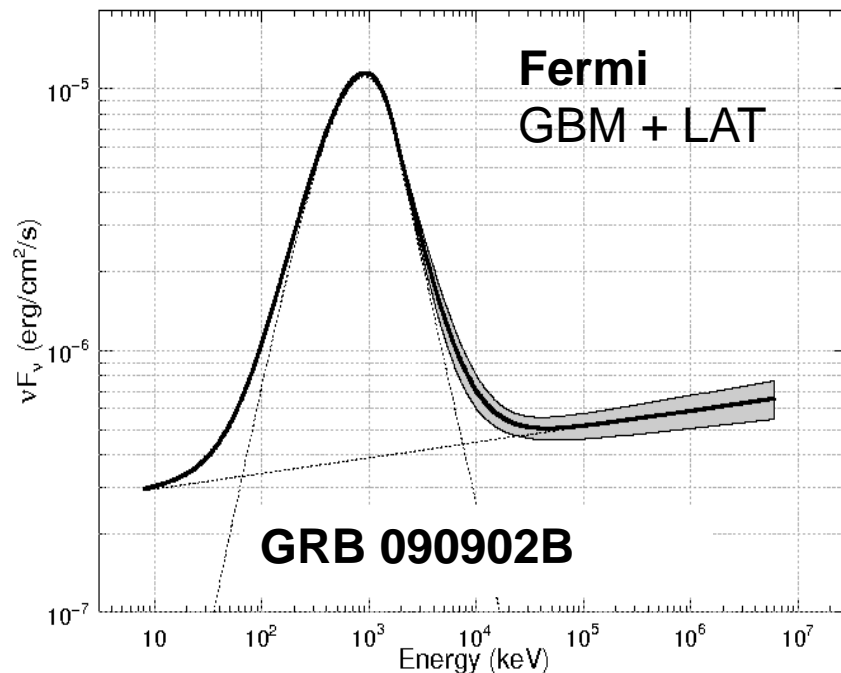
With best regards,  
Werner Hofmann



# Searching for space gamma-ray bursts (GRB) due to simultaneous observations from on-axis and 4 lateral directions

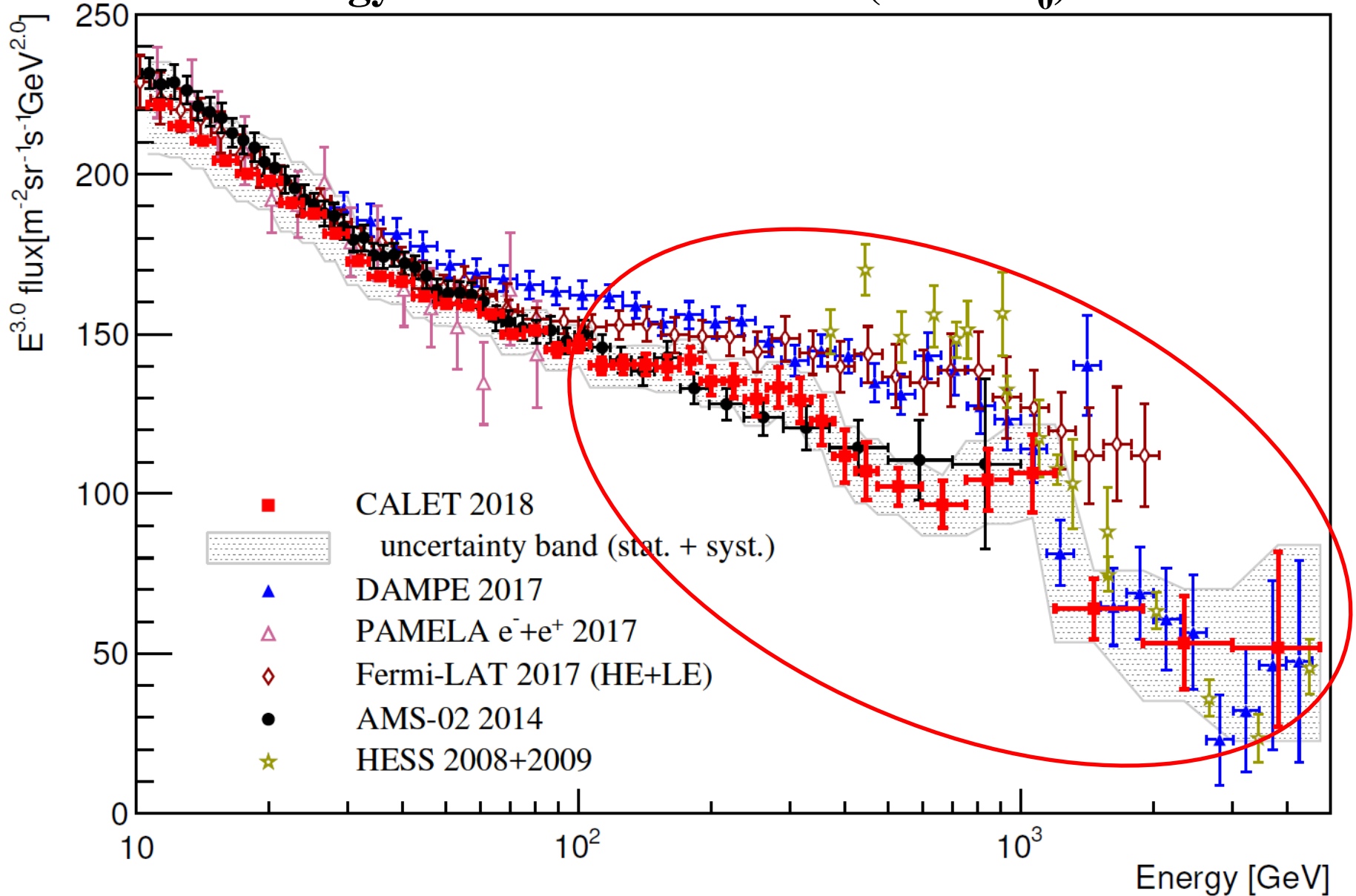


- ~ 5 short GRB/year together with gravitational detectors (**LIGO-Virgo**)
- ~ 5 GRB/year in the energy range up to 400 GeV

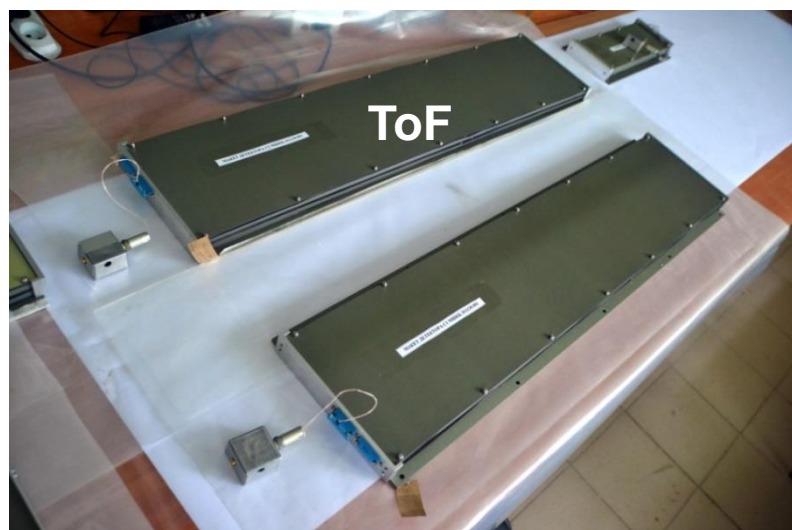
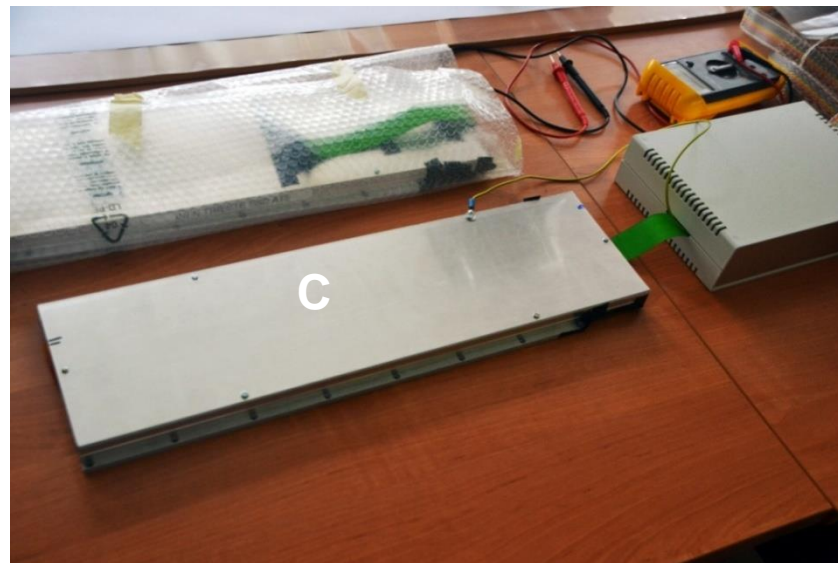
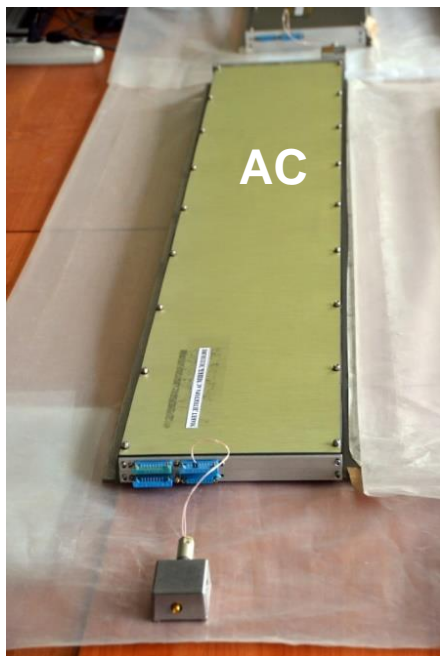




# Clarification of electron + positron spectrum due to best energy resolution and thicker (22-43 $X_0$ ) calorimeter

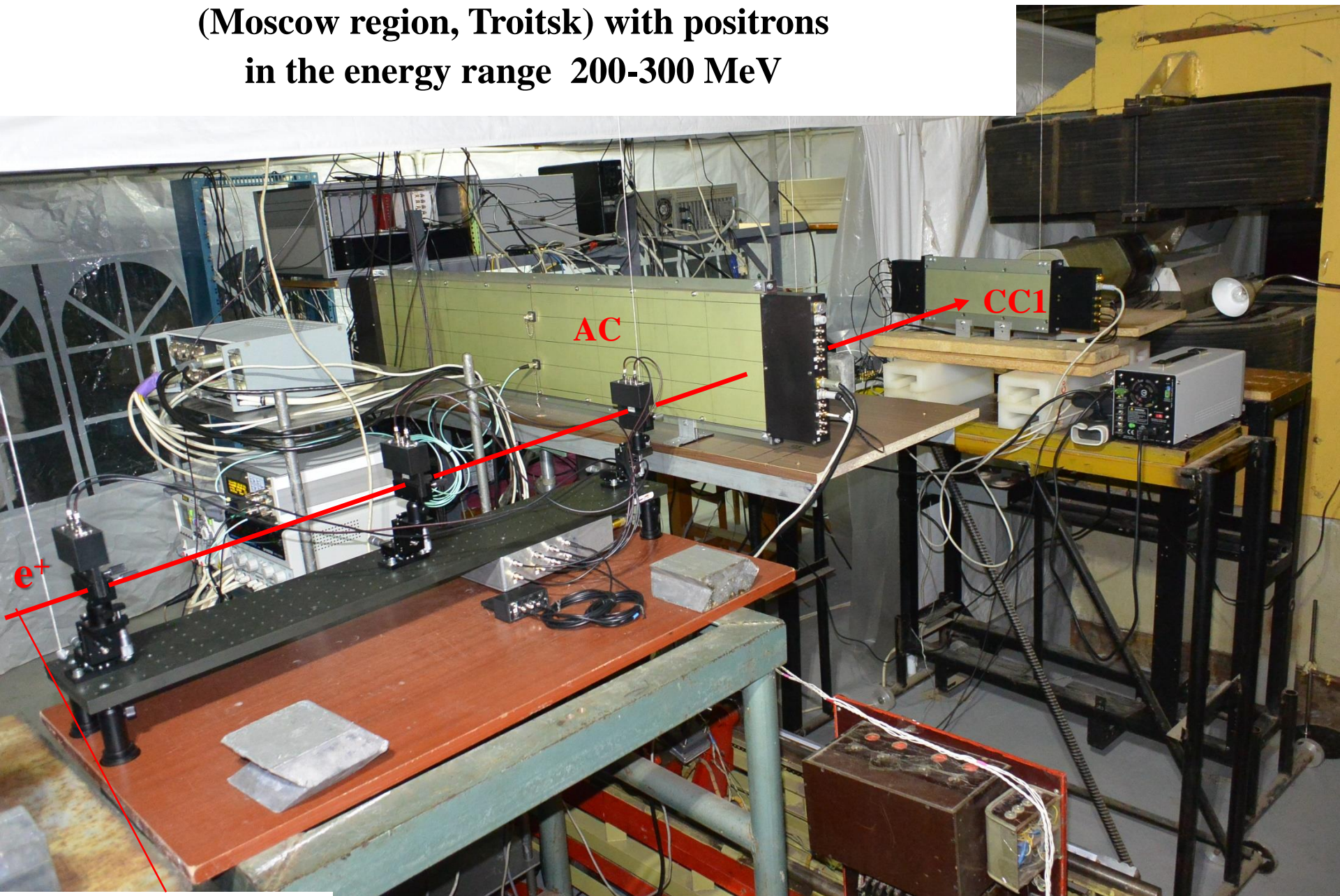


# GAMMA-400 laboratory prototypes of detector systems



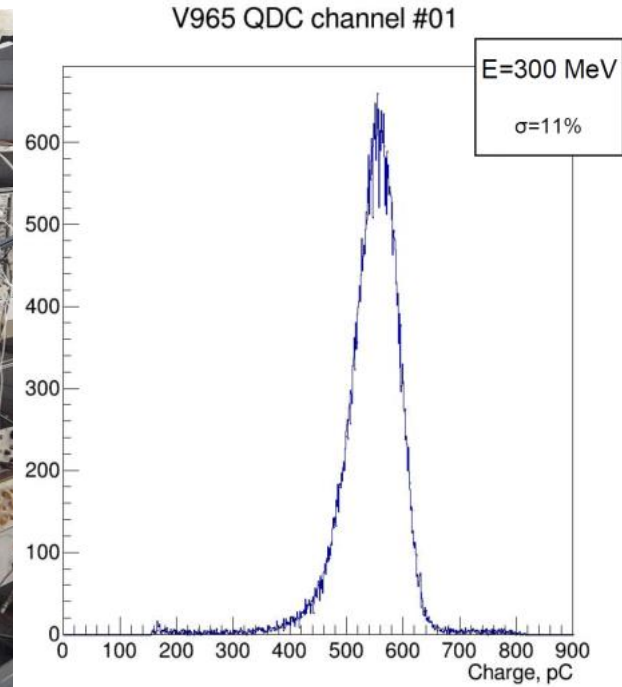


**Calibration of GAMMA-400 detectors at LPI synchrotron  
(Moscow region, Troitsk) with positrons  
in the energy range 200-300 MeV**



**Positron beam**







**Measuring equipment at LPI synchrotron (Moscow region, Troitsk)  
for calibrating with positrons in the energy range 200-300 MeV**



Activities continue  
at Troitsk (200-300 MeV) and Protvino (5-25 GeV) accelerators

# Conclusions

- After Fermi-LAT the GAMMA-400 mission represents a unique opportunity to significantly improve the direct data of LE+HE gamma rays and electron + positron fluxes due to unprecedented angular and energy resolutions, large area, and continuous long-term observations.
- GAMMA-400 is funded by the Russian Space Agency and according to the Russian Federal Space Program 2016-2025 the GAMMA-400 space observatory is scheduled to launch in ~2025.
- We are open to the participation of foreign scientists in the manufacture of some detector systems.

**GAMMA-400 site - <http://gamma400.lebedev.ru/>**