

# Recent Results in Dark Matter Experiments

- Evidence and Candidates of Dark Matter
- Direct and Indirect Searches of WIMPs
- PAMELA/ATIC /DAMA Anomalous Results
- TEXONO Results on Low Mass WIMPs

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# Standard Model of Particle Physics and Cosmology

## ELEMENTARY PARTICLES

**Quarks**

u up	c charm	t top	$\gamma$ photon
d down	s strange	b bottom	g gluon

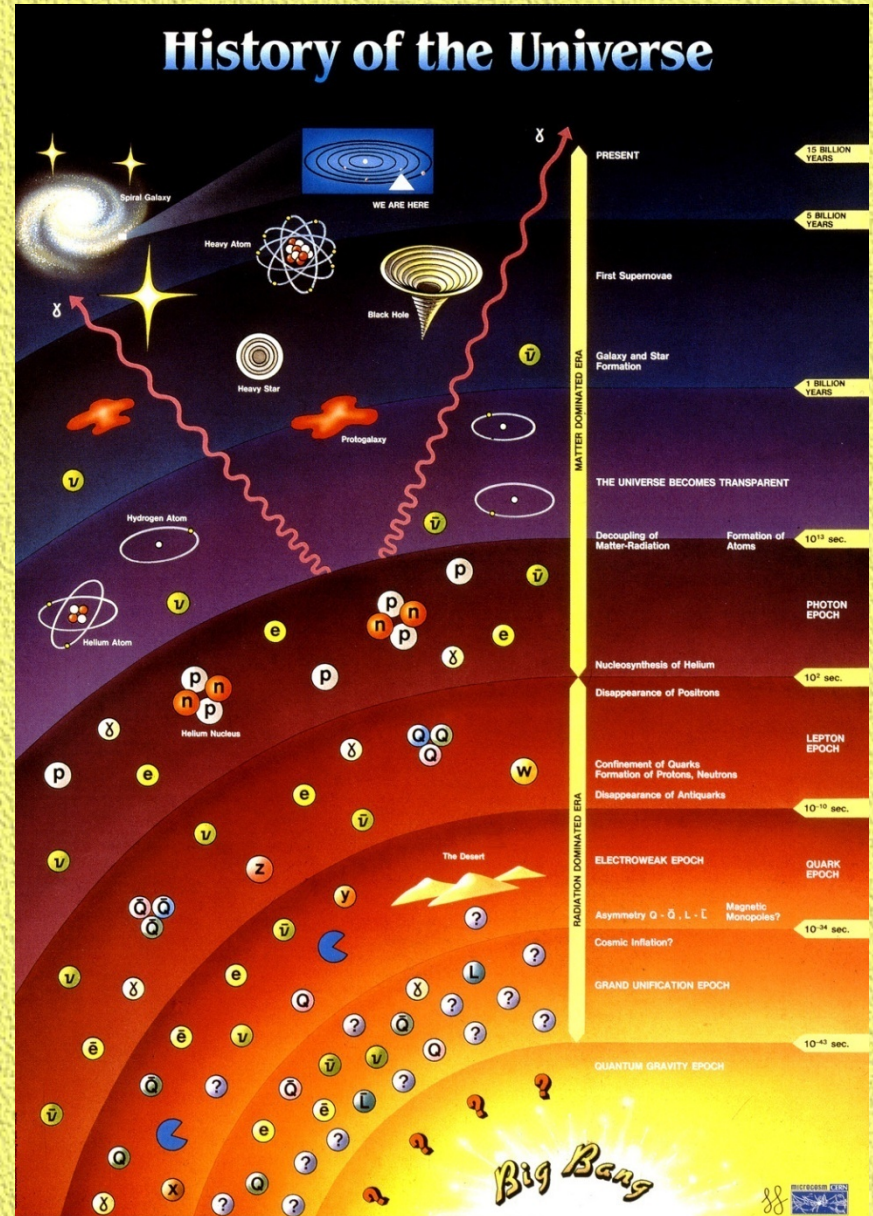
**Leptons**

$\nu_e$ electron neutrino	$\nu_\mu$ muon neutrino	$\nu_\tau$ tau neutrino	Z Z boson
e electron	$\mu$ muon	$\tau$ tau	W W boson

**Force Carriers**

I II III  
Three Generations of Matter

Fermilab 95-759



# Evidence for Dark Matter

## ➤ Spiral galaxies

### ↳ Rotation Curve

⇒ Missing  $\Omega$  (Galactic)

## ➤ Clusters & Superclusters

### ↳ Gravitational Lensing

⇒ Missing  $\Omega$  (Cluster)

## ➤ Large Scale Structures

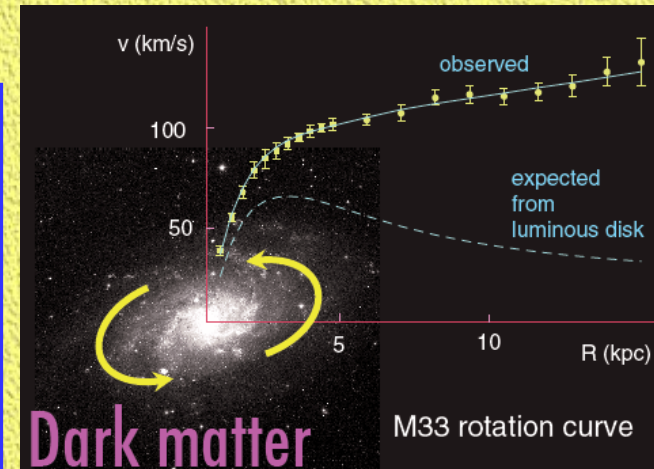
⇒ Cold Dark Matter

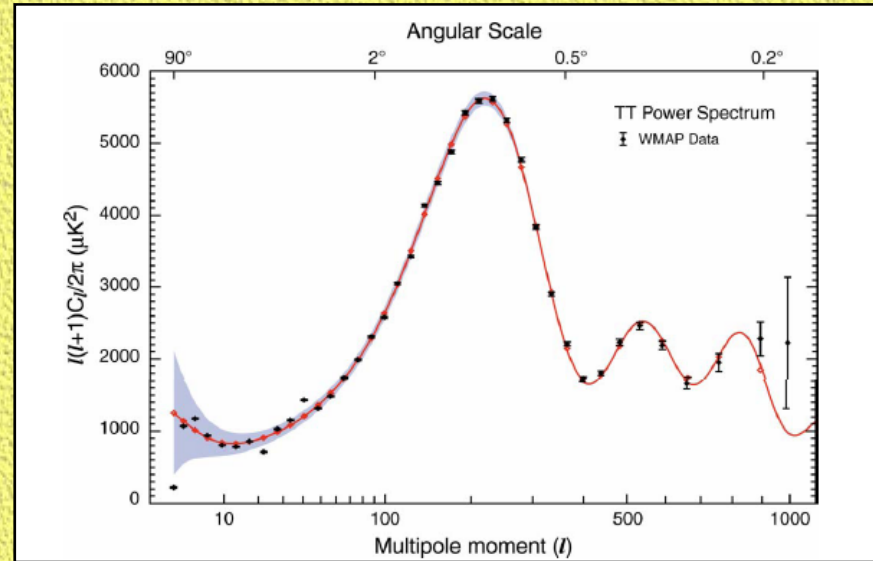
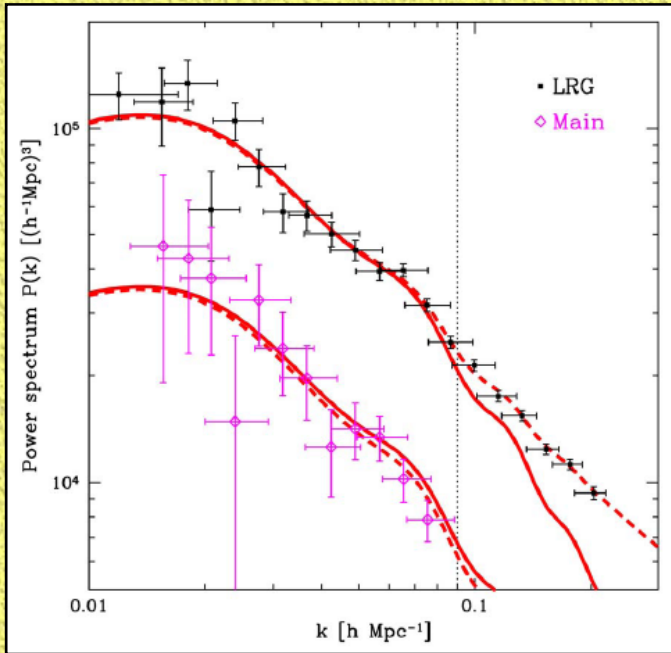
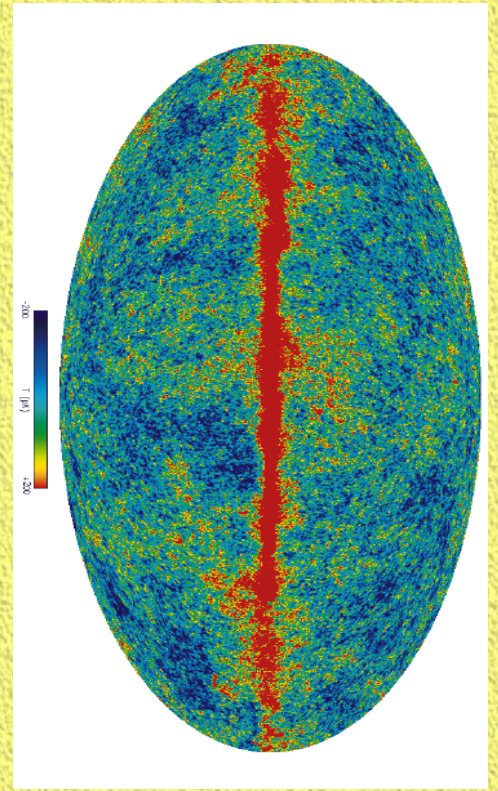
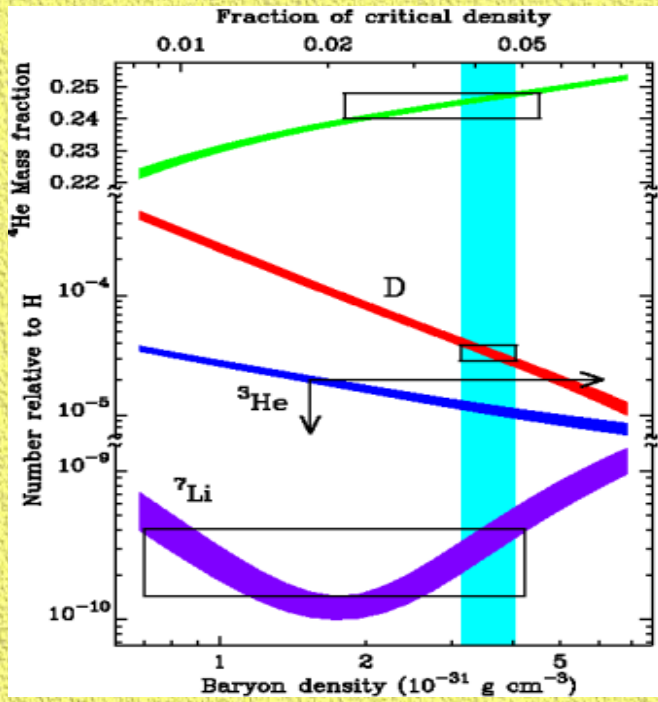
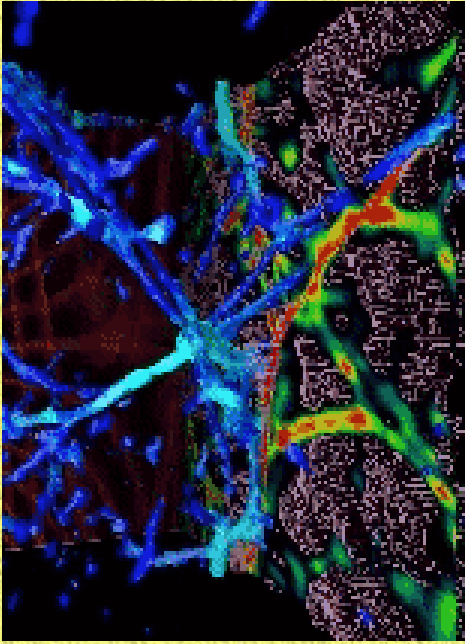
## ➤ CMB Anisotropy

⇒  $\Omega_{\text{total}}$  ;  $\Omega_{\text{baryon}}$  (cosmological)

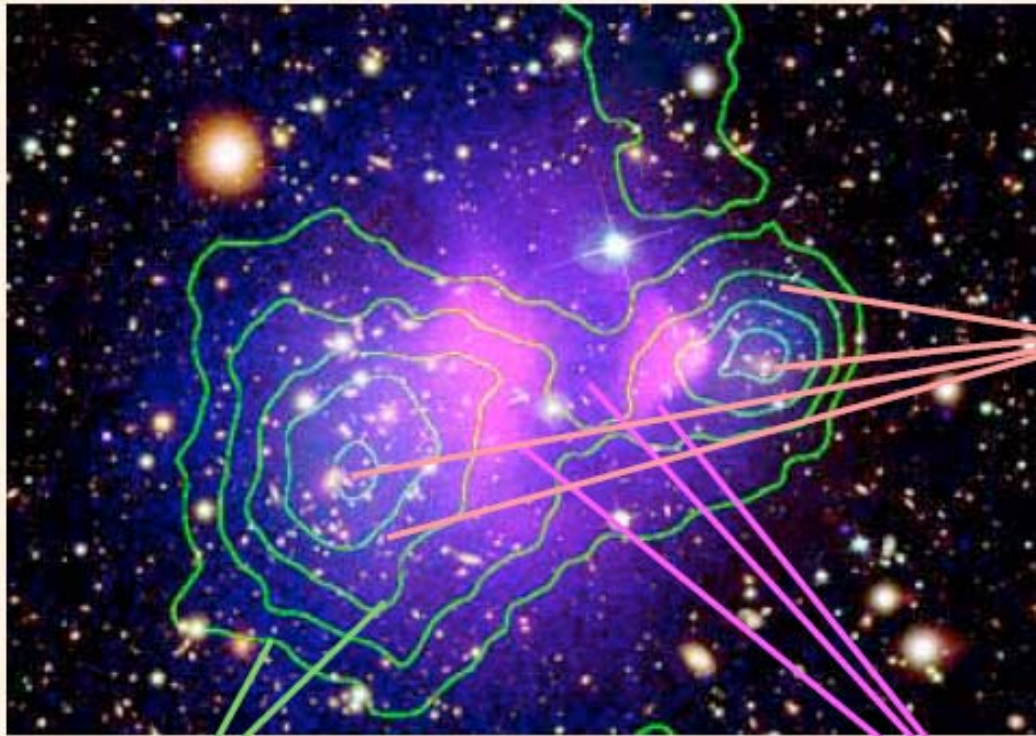
## ➤ Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

⇒ Constrain Baryon density





# Dark Matter is DARK (not interacting electromagnetically) And NOT modified Gravity .....

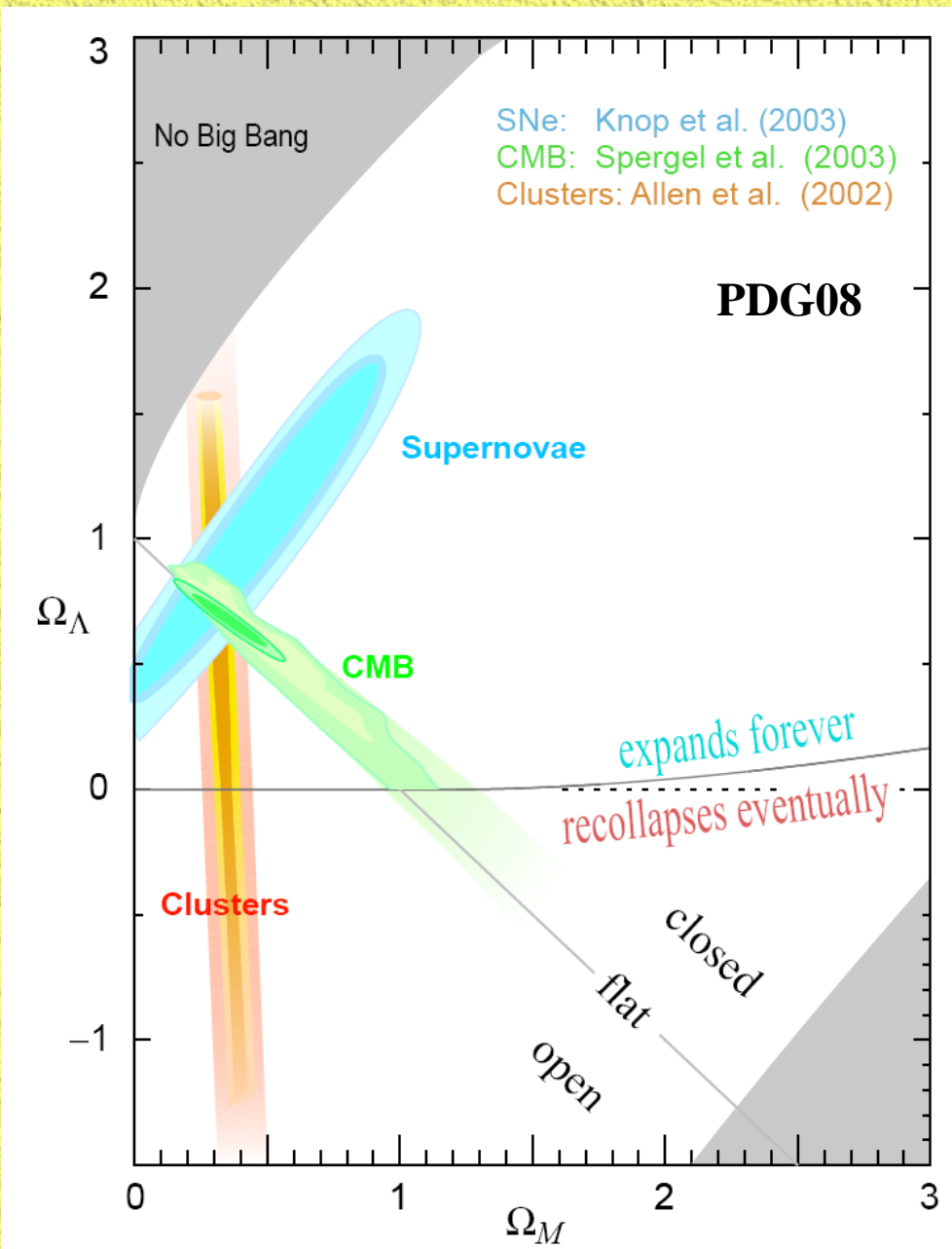


Galaxies in optical  
(Hubble Space  
Telescope)

Gravitational potential  
from weak lensing

X-ray emitting hot gas  
(Chandra)

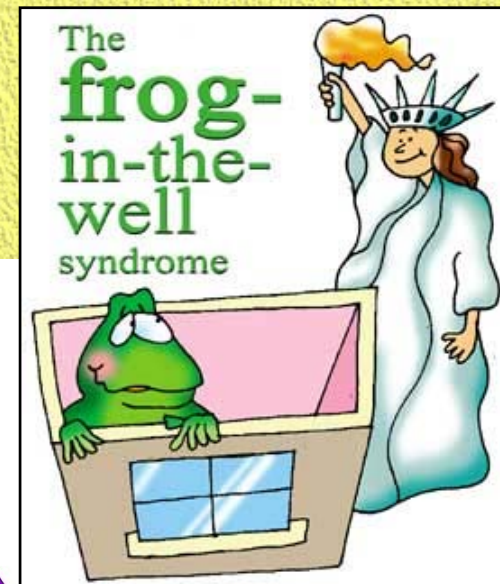
# Combined Constraints :



$$\Omega_\Lambda = 0.73 \pm 0.04, \quad \Omega_m = 0.27 \pm 0.04$$

# Compositions of the Universe : We only Understand ~4% !!!????

Dark Energy : " We  
know less than  
Nothing !"



← Standard Model Matter :  
Understood

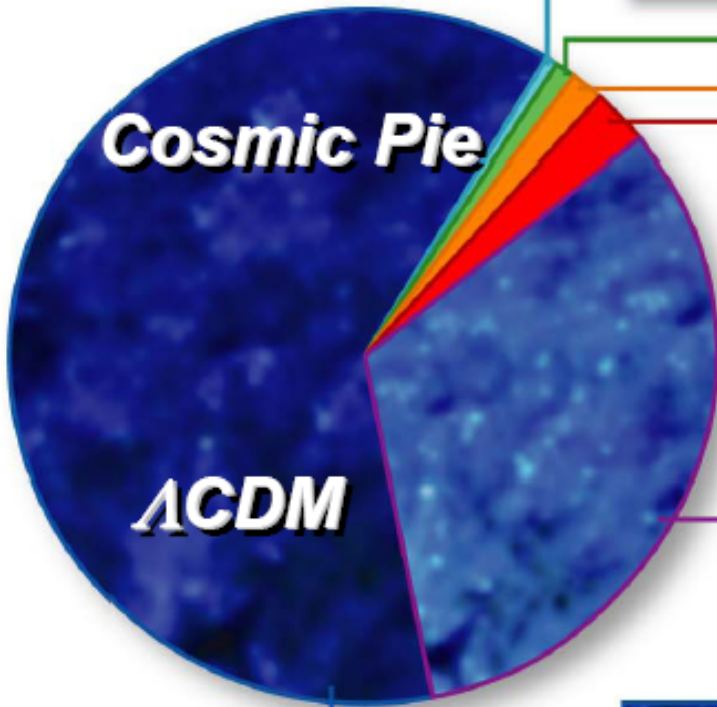
Or ....

⚡ *The Ultimate Copernicus Principle !!*

Dark Matter : " We know Nothing !" (but perhaps have reasonable guesses)

$$\Omega_i \equiv \rho_i / \rho_{\text{CRITICAL}}$$

$$\Omega_{\text{TOTAL}} = 1$$



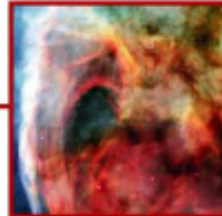
**Heavy Elements:**  
 $\Omega=0.0003$



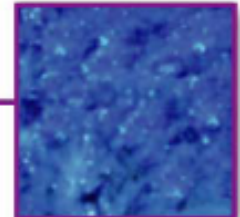
**Massive Neutrino:**  
 $\Omega=0.0047$



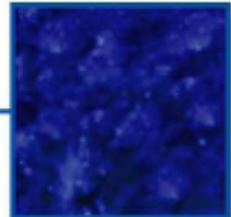
**Stars:**  
 $\Omega=0.005$



**Free H & He:**  
 $\Omega=0.04$



**Dark Matter:**  
 $\Omega=0.25$   
Massive neutrinos?



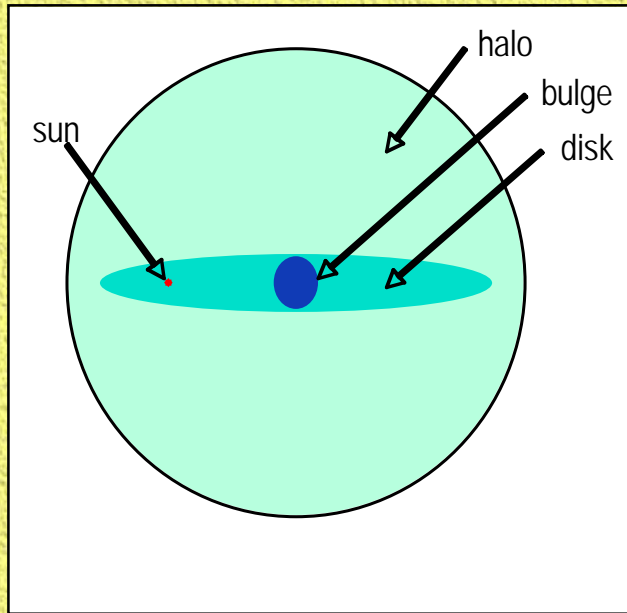
**Dark Energy ( $\Lambda$ ):**  
 $\Omega=0.70$

*at least as much neutrinos by mass as visible matter !*





# Properties of a Good Cold Dark Matter Candidates:



Dark Matter  
gravitationally  
bounded in  
galactic halo

- ✓ stable (protected by a conserved quantum number)
- ✓ no charge, no colour (weakly interacting)
- ✓ cold, non dissipative
- ✓ relic abundance compatible to observation
- ✓ motivated by theory (vs. “ad hoc”)

# (Incomplete) List of CDM candidates



RH neutrinos



Axions



Lightest Supersymmetric particle (LSP) - neutralino, sneutrino, axino



Lightest Kaluza-Klein Particle (LKP)



Heavy photon in Little Higgs Models



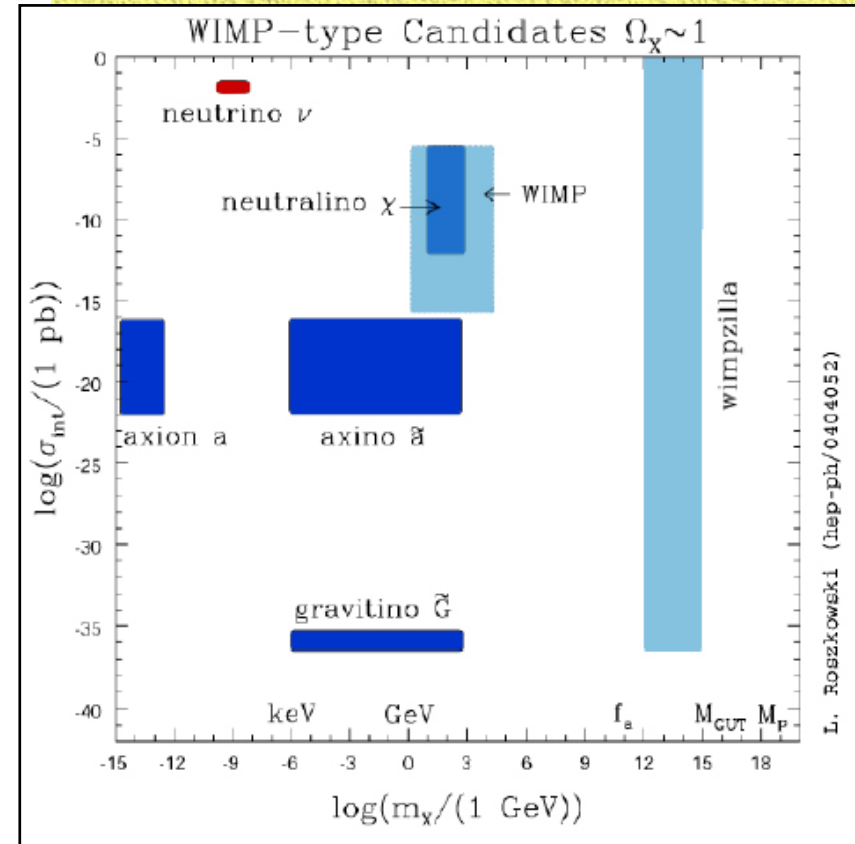
Solitons (Q-balls, B-balls)



Black Hole remnants



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# Evolution of the Dark Matter Density

- Produced in big bang, but also annihilate with each other.
- Annihilation stops when number density drops to the point that

$$H > \Gamma_A \approx n_\chi \langle \sigma_A v \rangle$$

*i.e.* annihilation too slow to keep up with Hubble expansion (“freeze out”)

- Leaves a relic abundance:

$$\Omega_\chi h^2 \approx 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1} / \langle \sigma_A v \rangle_{\text{fr}}$$

**! IF**  $\sigma_A \sim$  electroweak scale

$$\sigma_{\text{ann.}} \approx \text{a few pb} \approx \alpha_W^2 / M_W^2$$

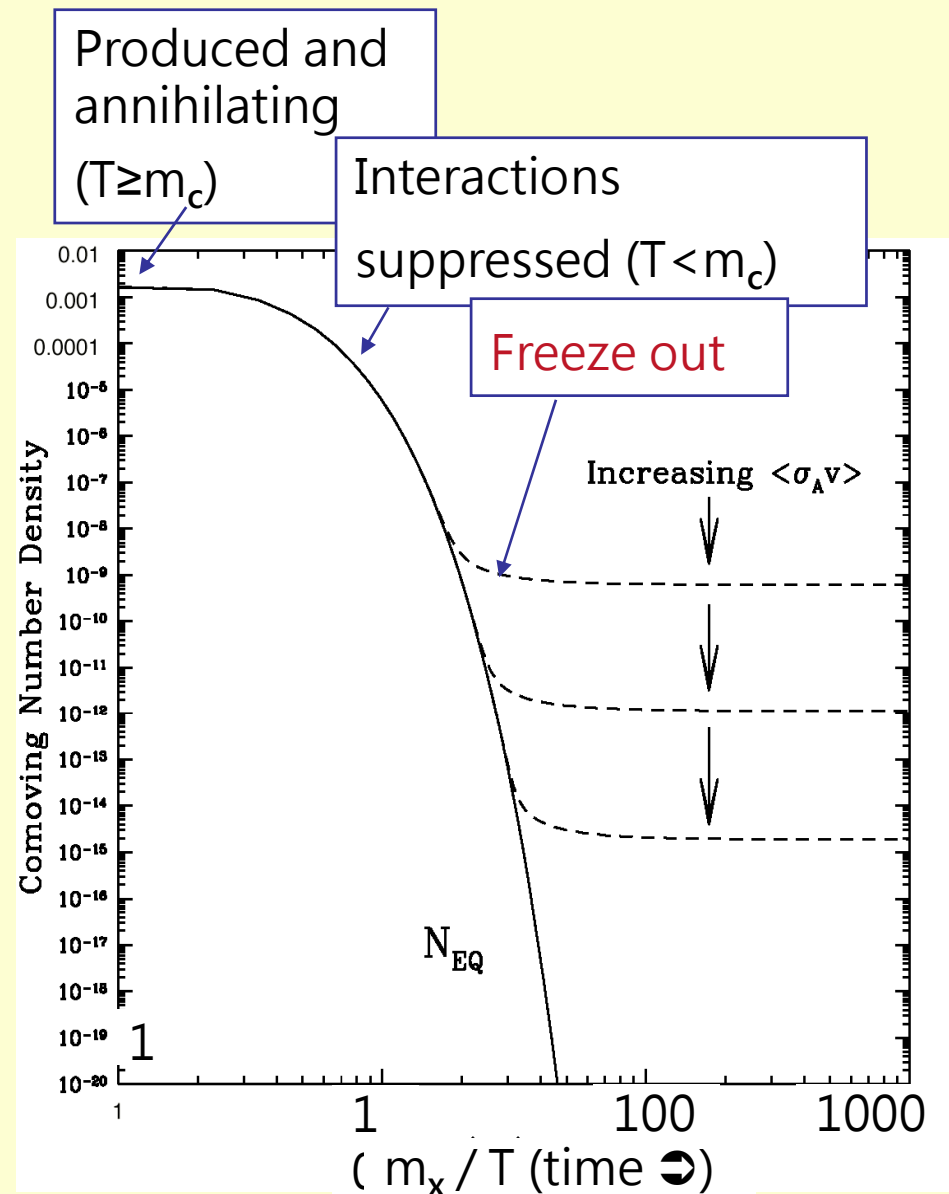
**THEN**

$$\Omega_\chi \sim 0.3$$

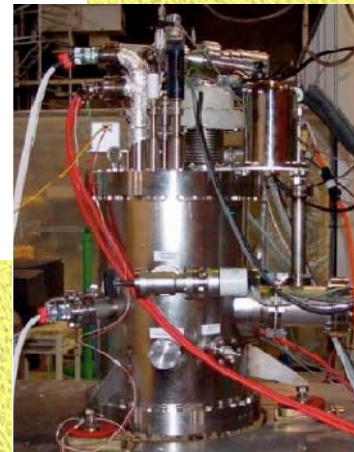
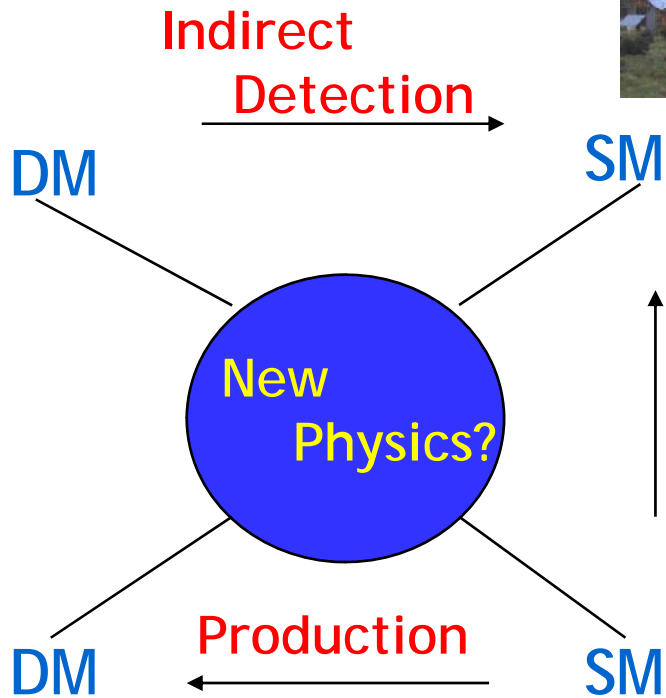
[ coincidence or miracle ?! ]

⇒ **WIMPs**

(no constraints on  $m_\chi$ )

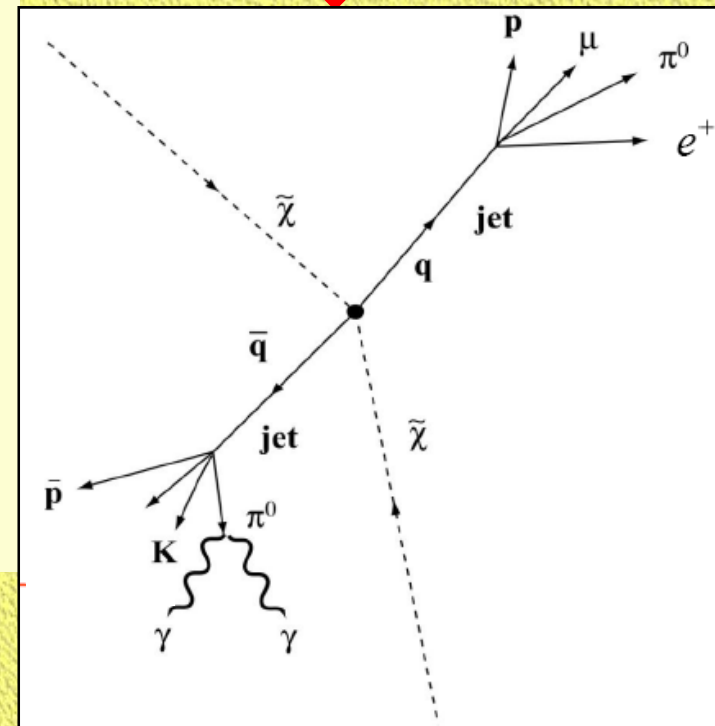
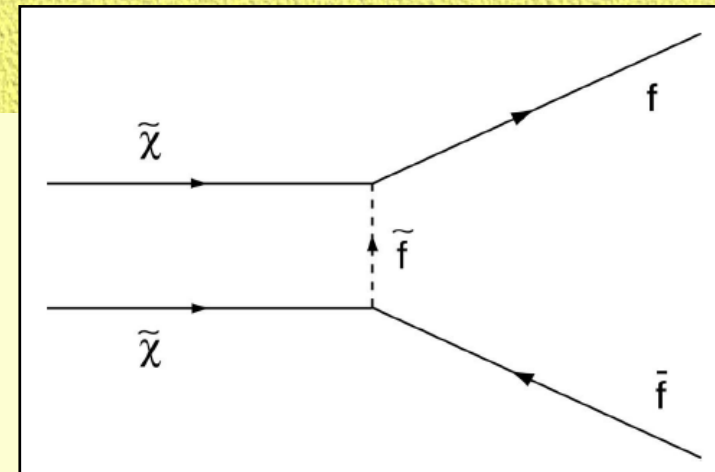


# Dark Matter Detection



# Indirect Detection of WIMP

- through their annihilation products
- Signals  $\Rightarrow$  high-energy neutrinos, anti-protons, positrons & photons
- Sources  $\Rightarrow$  Sun, Earth, Galactic Center, Milky Way Halo, Stars, External Galaxies
- HE neutrinos from Sun/Earth or anomalous  $\gamma$ -rays peaks  $\Rightarrow$  **smoking gun signatures**
- Anomalous spectral distributions of  $e^+$ ,  $p$ -bar,  $\gamma$  etc.  $\Rightarrow$  **dependent on background models**



# Anomalous Cosmic Positron Spectrum

! Consolidated by latest results from PAMELA, PPB-BETS, ATIC

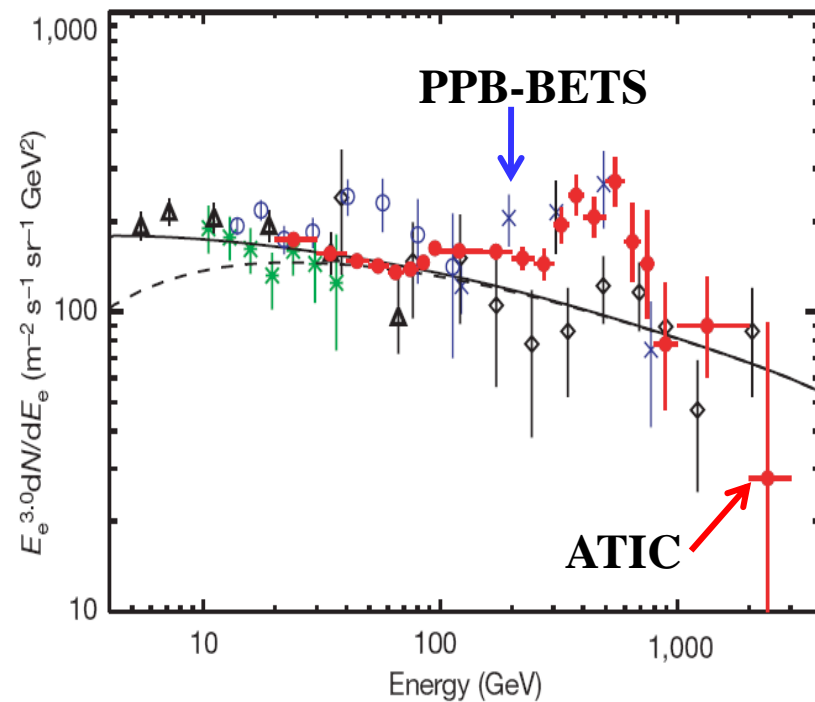
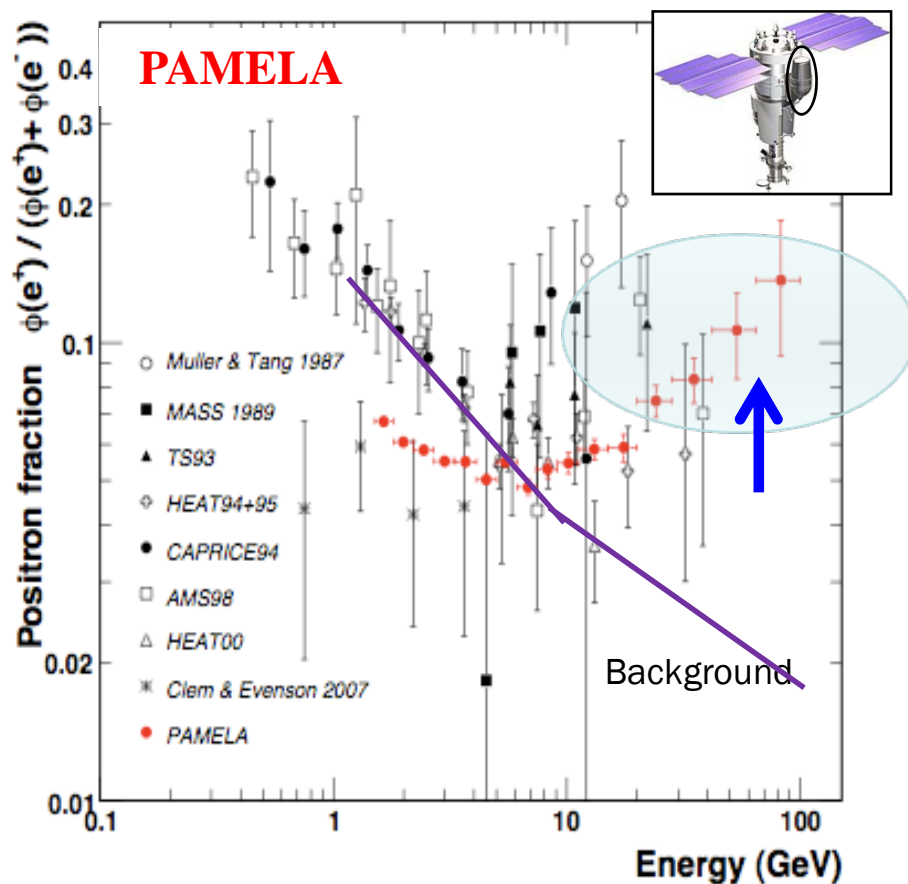


Figure 3 | ATIC results showing agreement with previous data at lower energy and with the imaging calorimeter PPB-BETS at higher energy. The

Astrophysical Primary sources or WIMP-induced ??

# Cosmic-Ray Anti-proton from PAMELA is OK, however.....

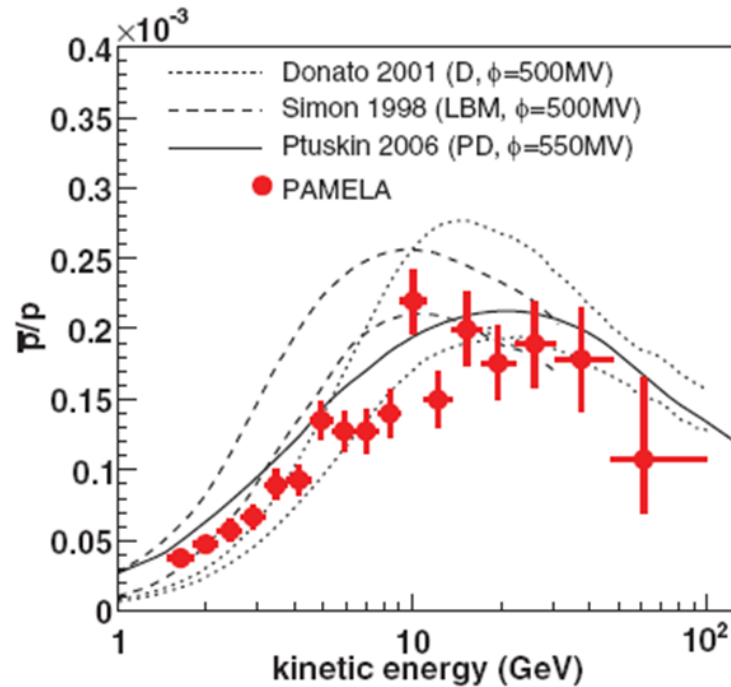


FIG. 3 (color). The antiproton-to-proton flux ratio obtained in this work compared with theoretical calculations for a pure secondary production of antiprotons during the propagation of cosmic rays in the galaxy. The dashed lines show the upper and lower limits calculated by Simon *et al.* [17] for the standard leaky box model, while the dotted lines show the limits from Donato *et al.* [18] for a Diffusion model with reacceleration. The solid line shows the calculation by Ptuskin *et al.* [19] for the case of a plain diffusion model. The curves were obtained using appropriate solar modulation parameters (indicated as  $\phi$ ) for the PAMELA data taking period.

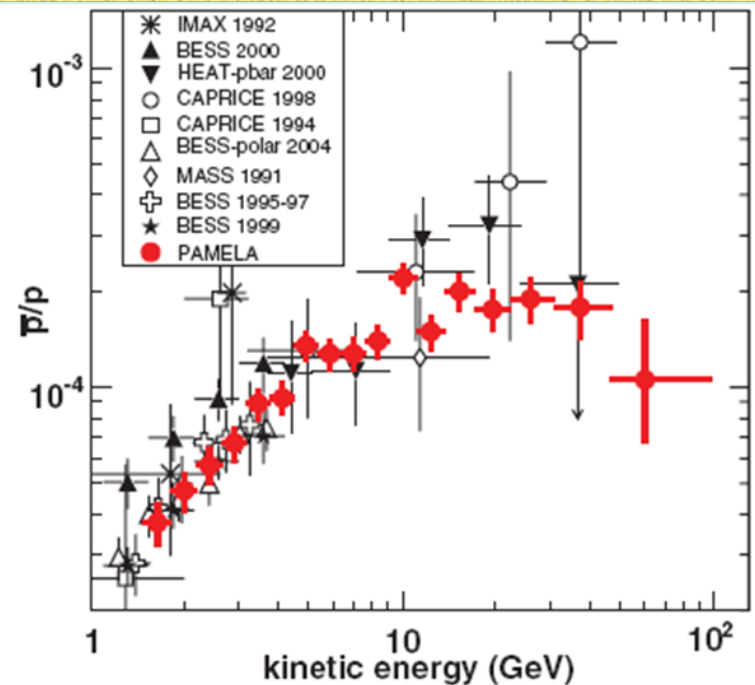


FIG. 4 (color). The antiproton-to-proton flux ratio obtained in this work compared with contemporary measurements [8–10,20–23].

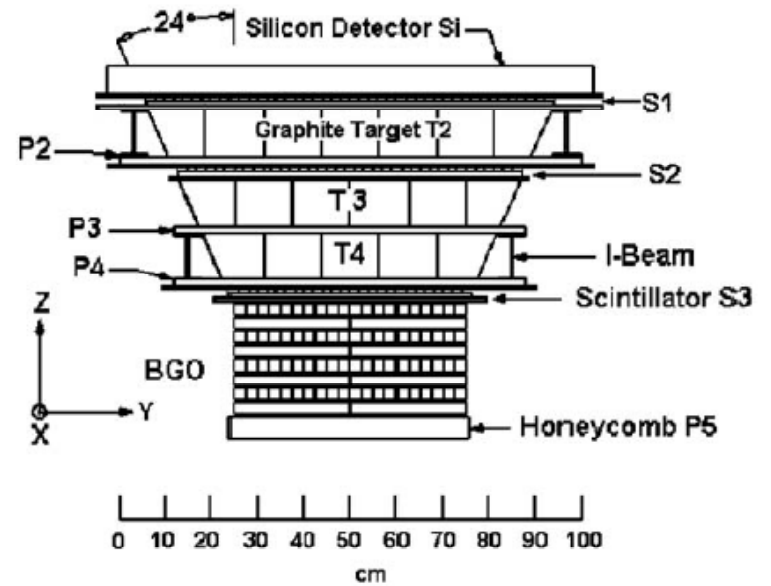
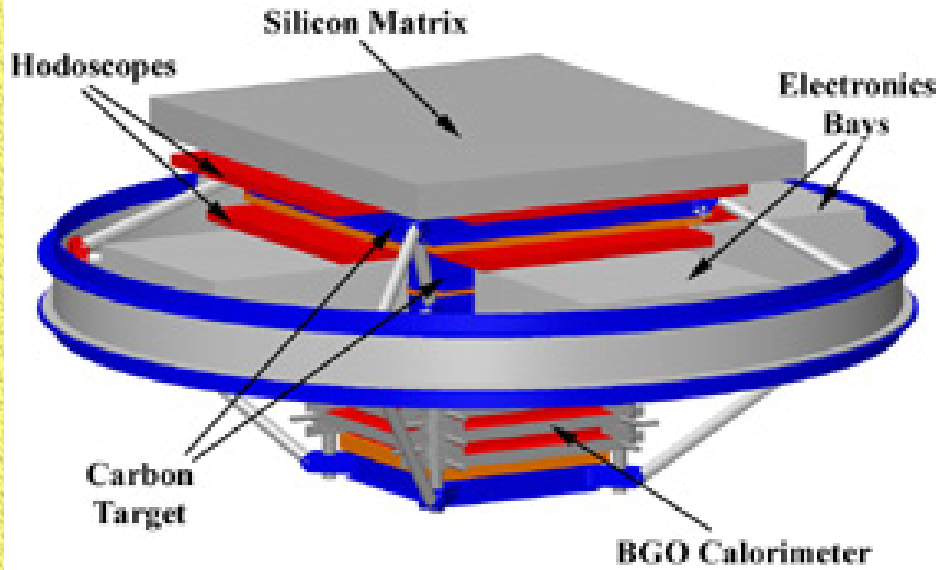
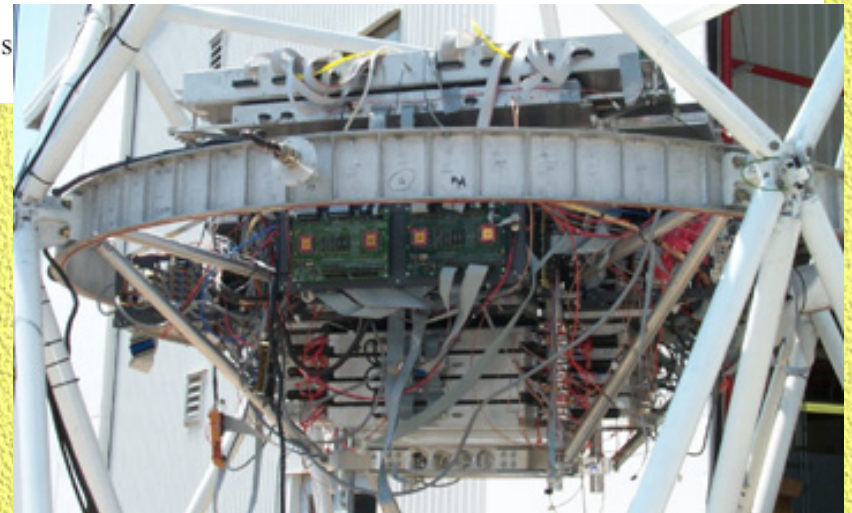


Fig. 1. 3D mechanical drawing (left) and 2D simulation s





# Typical (p,e, $\gamma$ ) Shower image in ATIC (Flight data 250 GeV @ BGO)

- Electron and gamma-ray showers are narrower than the proton shower
- Gamma-ray shower: No hits at top detectors around shower axis
- p-rejection in e  $\sim 10^{-4}$

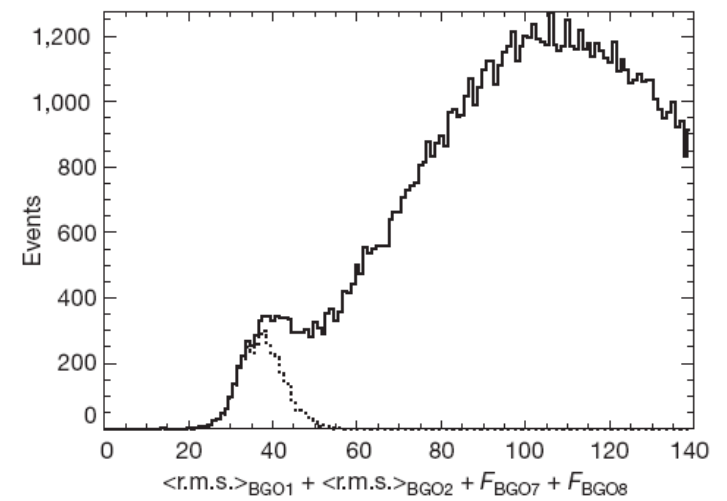
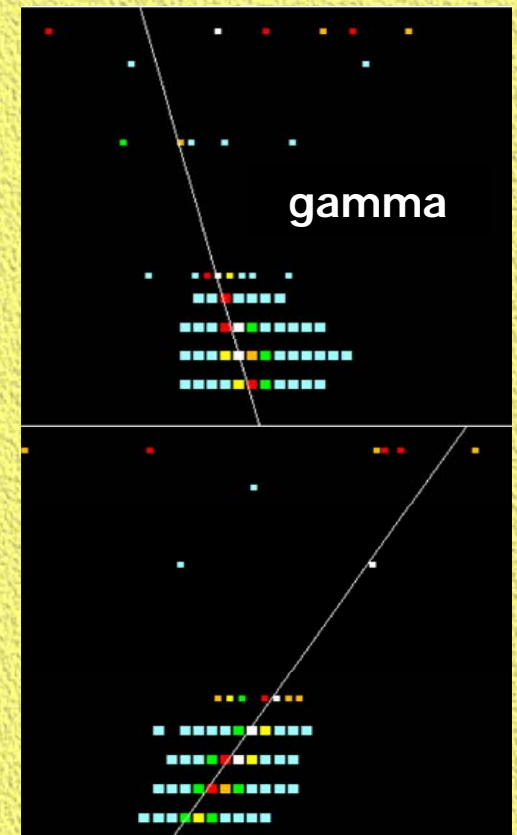
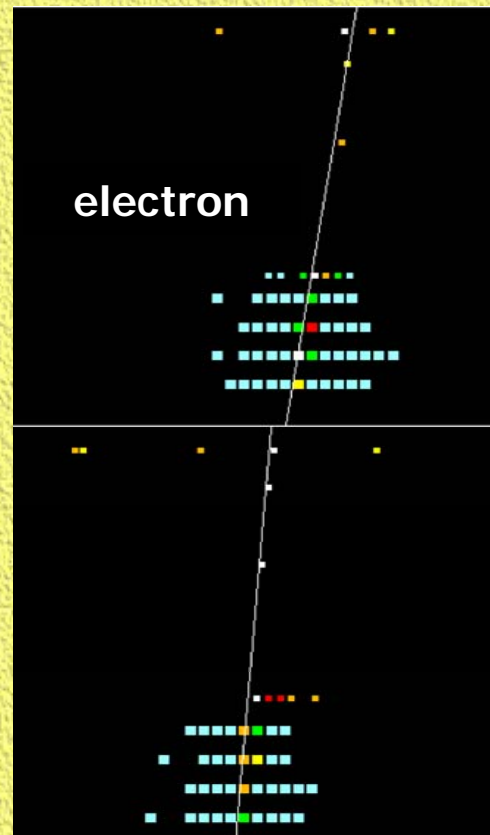
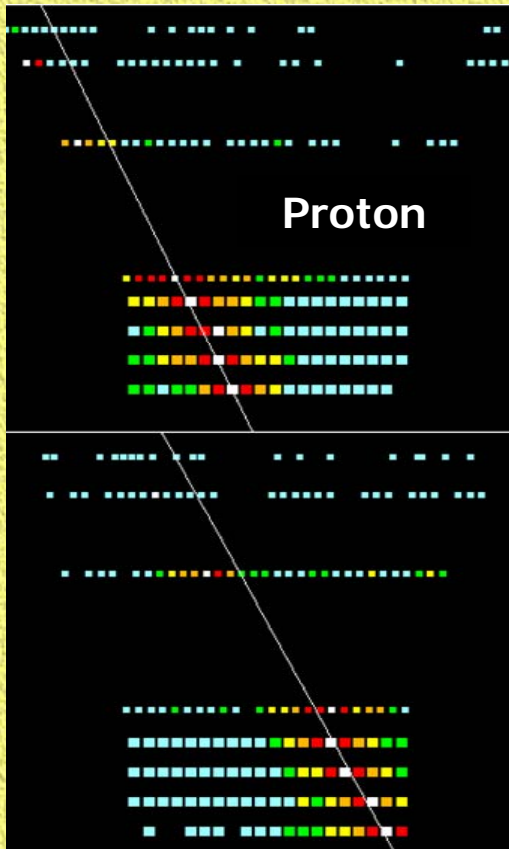


Figure 1 | Separation of electrons from protons in the ATIC instrument.



# An excess of cosmic ray electrons at energies of 300–800 GeV

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Galactic cosmic rays consist of protons, electrons and ions, most of which are believed to be accelerated to relativistic speeds in supernova remnants<sup>1–3</sup>. All components of the cosmic rays show an intensity that decreases as a power law with increasing energy (for example as  $E^{-2.7}$ ). Electrons in particular lose energy rapidly through synchrotron and inverse Compton processes, resulting in a relatively short lifetime (about  $10^5$  years) and a rapidly falling intensity, which raises the possibility of seeing the contribution from individual nearby sources (less than one kiloparsec away)<sup>4</sup>. Here we report an excess of galactic cosmic-ray electrons at energies of  $\sim 300$ – $800$  GeV, which indicates a nearby source of energetic electrons. Such a source could be an unseen astrophysical object (such as a pulsar<sup>5</sup> or micro-quasar<sup>6</sup>) that accelerates electrons to those energies, or the electrons could arise from the annihilation of dark matter particles (such as a Kaluza–Klein particle<sup>7</sup> with a mass of about 620 GeV).

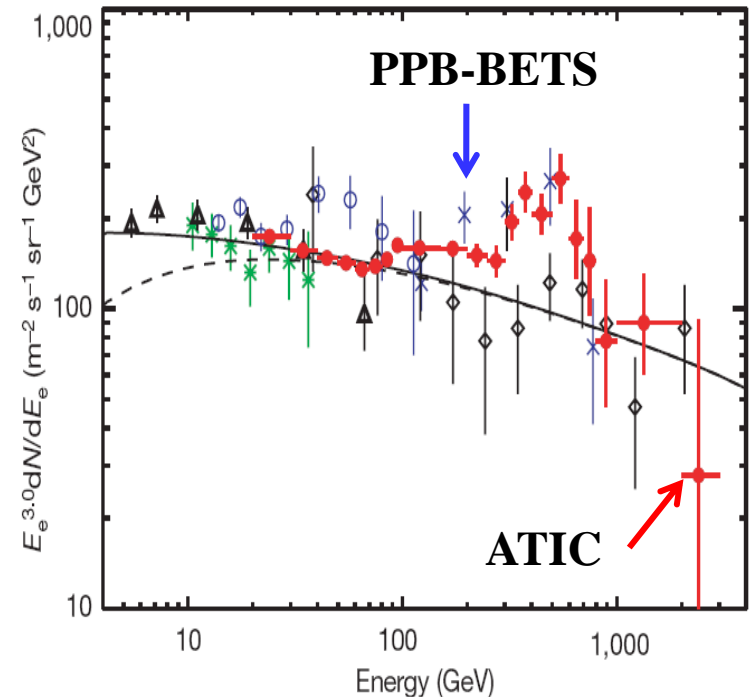
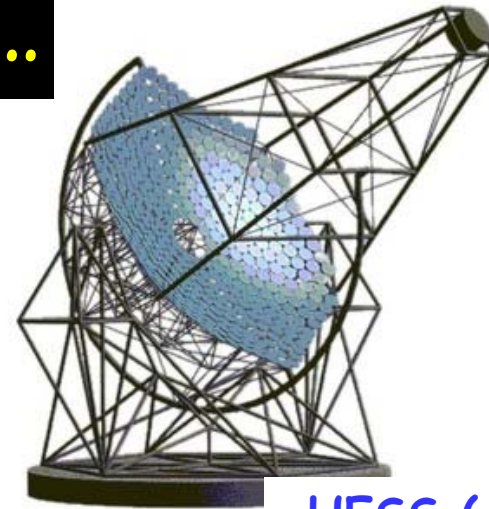
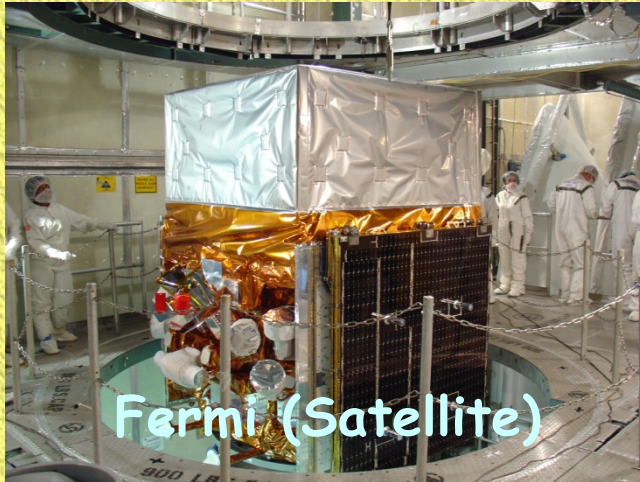
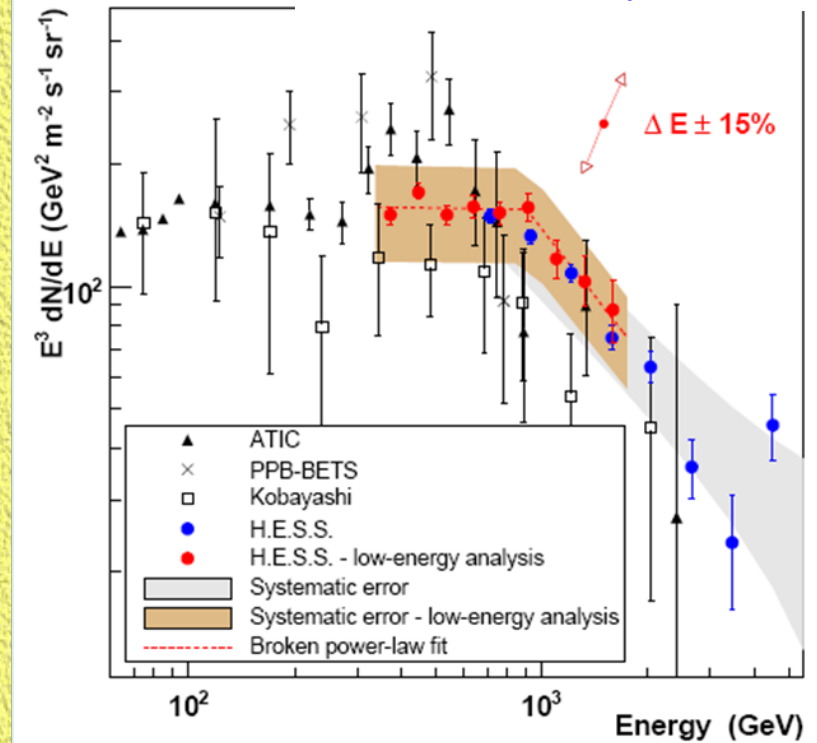
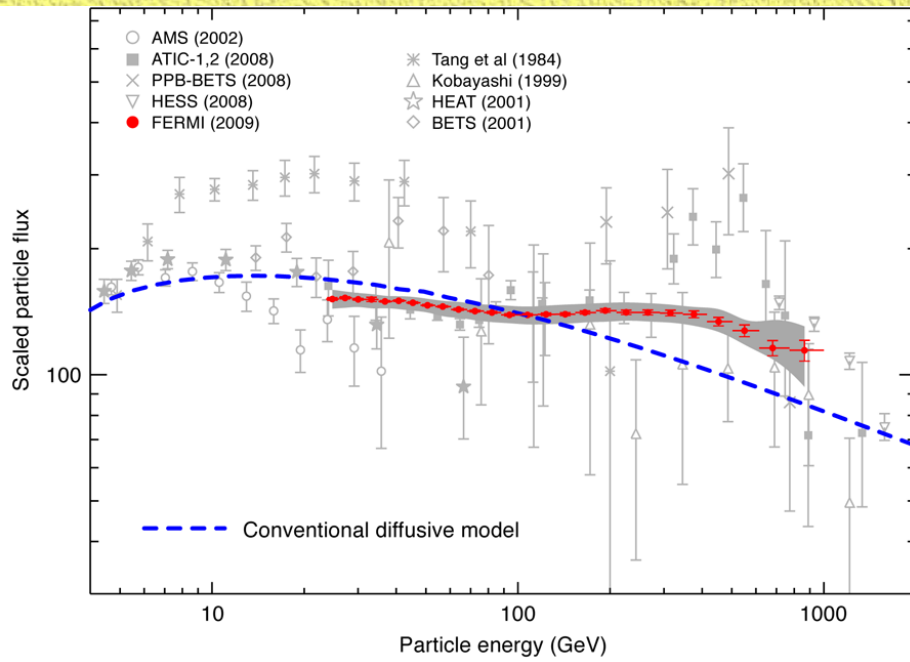


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# But ! New May 2009 Results .....

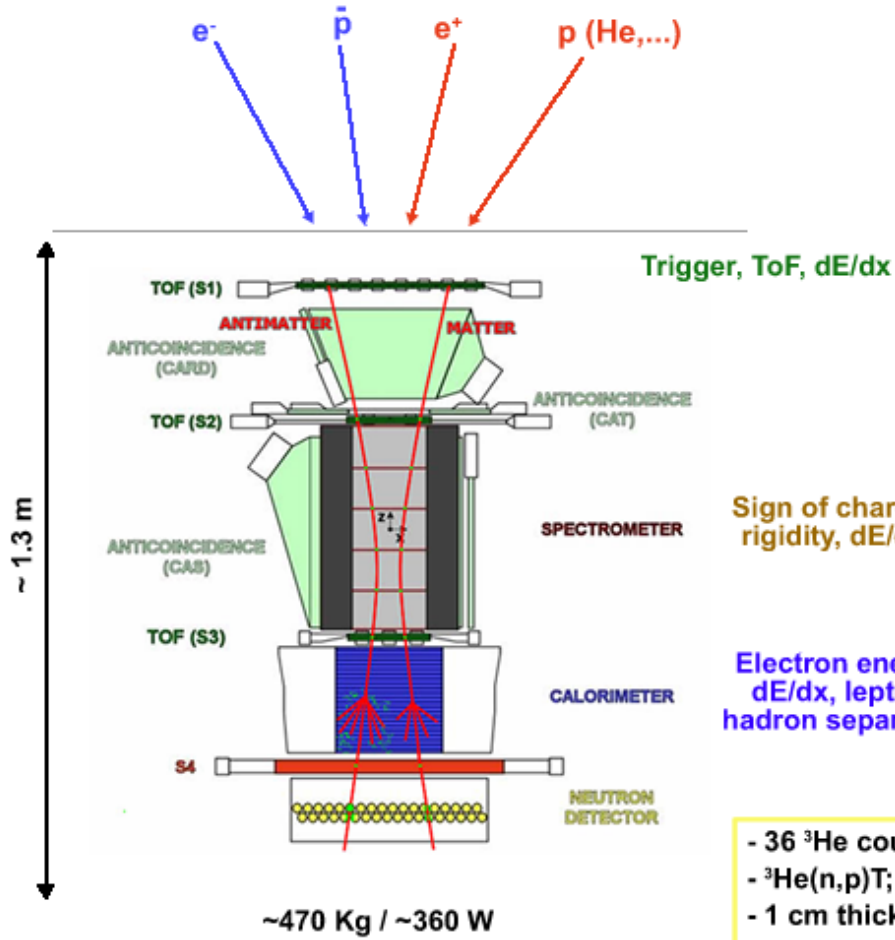
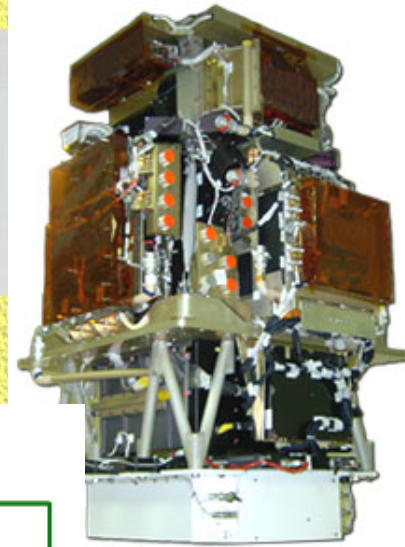


HESS (Air Cerenkov Telescope)





a Payload for **A**ntimatter **M**atter **E**xploration  
and **L**ight-nuclei **A**strophysics



- S1, S2, S3; double layers, x-y
- plastic scintillator (8mm)
- ToF resolution  $\sim 300$  ps (S1-3 ToF  $> 3$  ns)
- lepton-hadron separation  $< 1$  GeV/c
- S1.S2.S3 (low rate) / S2.S3 (high rate)

- Permanent magnet, 0.43 T
- $21.5$  cm<sup>2</sup> sr
- 6 planes double-sided silicon strip detectors (300  $\mu$ m)
- 3  $\mu$ m resolution in bending view  $\rightarrow$  MDR  $\sim 800$  GV (6 plane)  $\sim 500$  GV (5 plane)

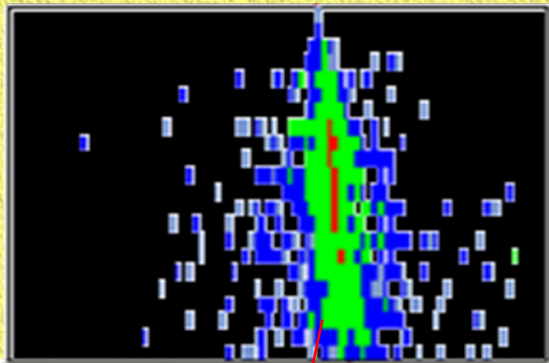
- 44 Si-x / W / Si-y planes (380)
- $16.3$  X0 / 0.6 L
- $dE/E \sim 5.5$  % (10 - 300 GeV)
- Self trigger  $> 300$  GeV / 600 cm<sup>2</sup> sr

Sign of charge, rigidity,  $dE/dx$

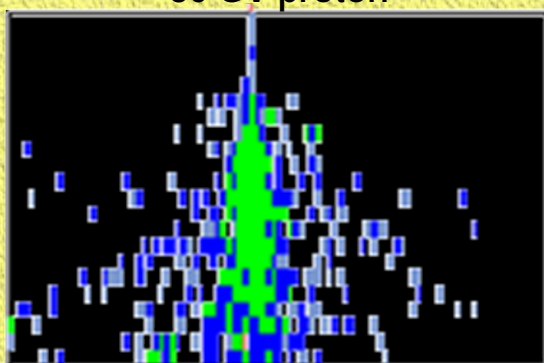
Electron energy,  $dE/dx$ , lepton-hadron separation

- 36  $^3\text{He}$  counters
- $^3\text{He}(n,p)\text{T}$ ;  $E_p = 780$  keV
- 1 cm thick poly + Cd moderator
- 200  $\mu$ s collection

51 GV positron



80 GV proton



## e/p separation:

- Calo-E-fraction
- Energy-momentum match
- Shower start point
- Shower long./lat profile

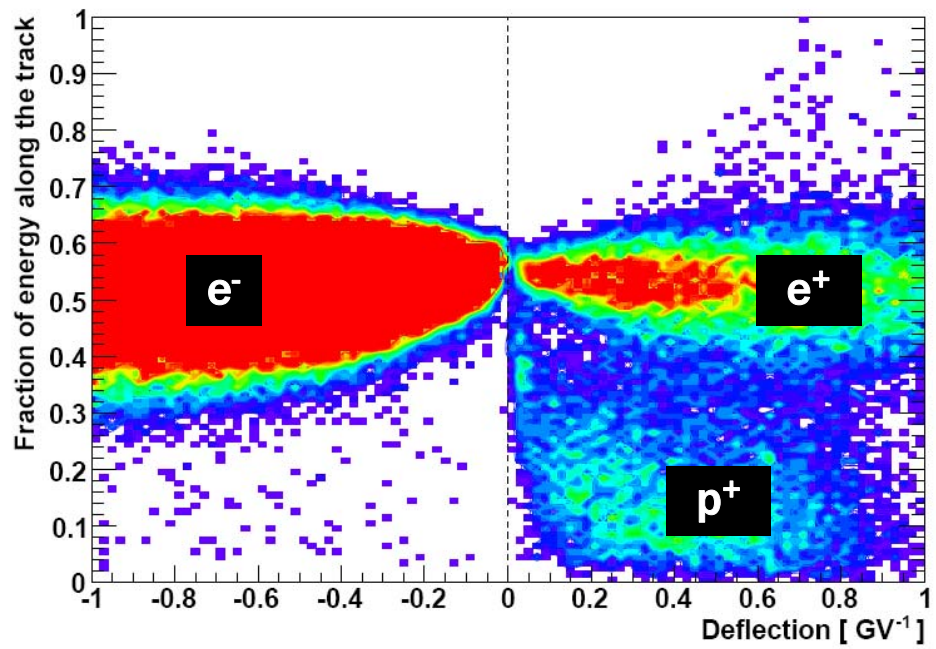
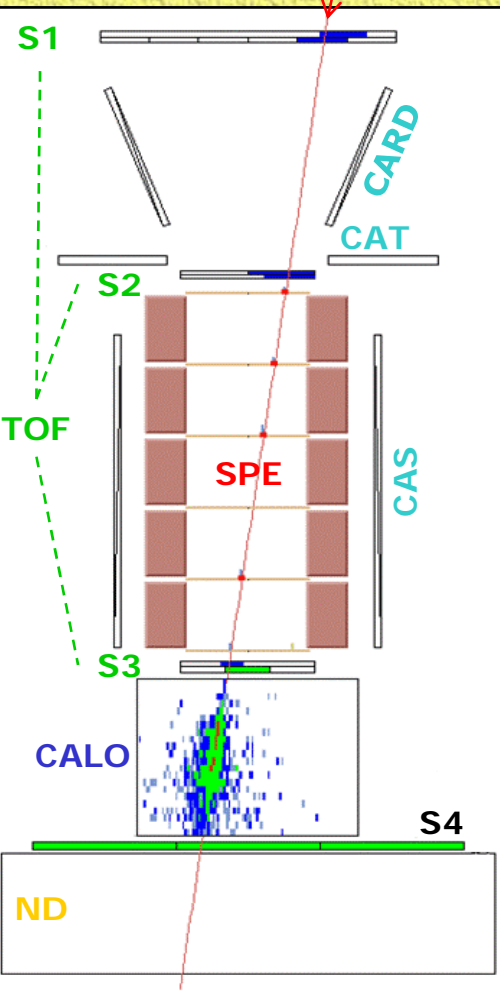


FIG. 1: Calorimeter energy fraction  $\mathcal{F}$ . The fraction of calorimeter energy deposited inside a cylinder of radius 0.3 Molière radii, as a function of deflection. **p-rejection <math>10^{-5}</math>** by extrapolating the particle track reconstructed by the spectr

# An anomalous positron abundance in cosmic rays with energies 1.5–100 GeV

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Antiparticles account for a small fraction of cosmic rays and are known to be produced in interactions between cosmic-ray nuclei and atoms in the interstellar medium<sup>1</sup>, which is referred to as a 'secondary source'. Positrons might also originate in objects such as pulsars<sup>2</sup> and microquasars<sup>3</sup> or through dark matter annihilation<sup>4</sup>, which would be 'primary sources'. Previous statistically limited measurements<sup>5–7</sup> of the ratio of positron and electron fluxes have been interpreted as evidence for a primary source for the positrons, as has an increase in the total electron+positron flux at energies between 300 and 600 GeV (ref. 8). Here we report a measurement of the positron fraction in the energy range 1.5–100 GeV. We find that the positron fraction increases sharply over much of that range, in a way that appears to be **completely inconsistent with secondary sources**. We therefore conclude **that a primary source, be it an astrophysical object or dark matter annihilation, is necessary**.

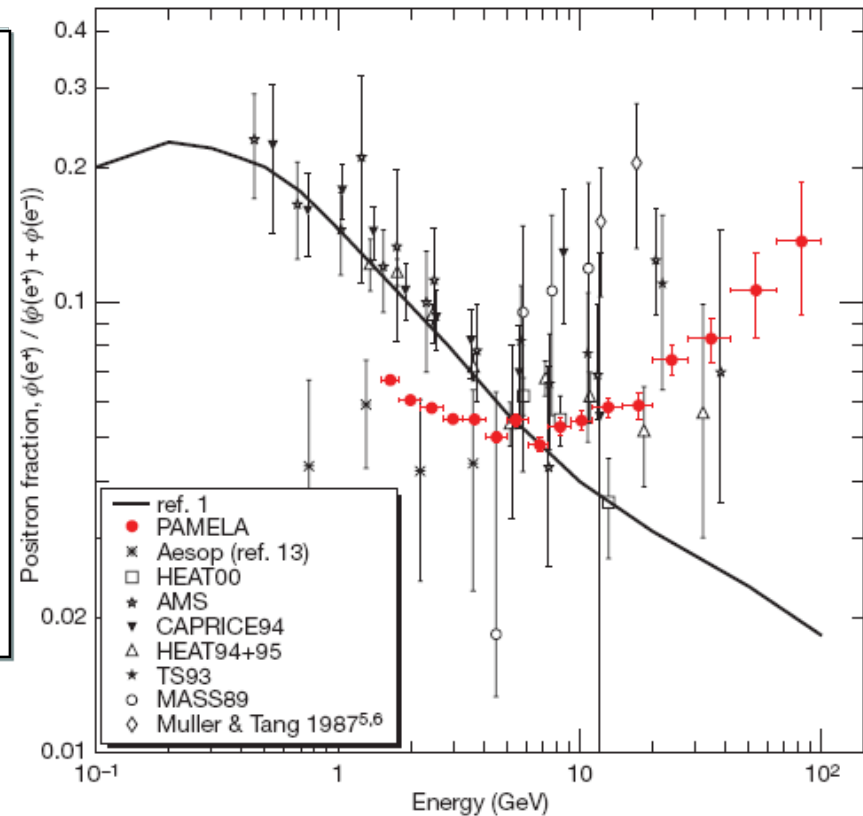
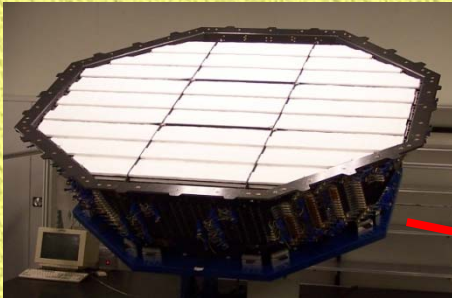


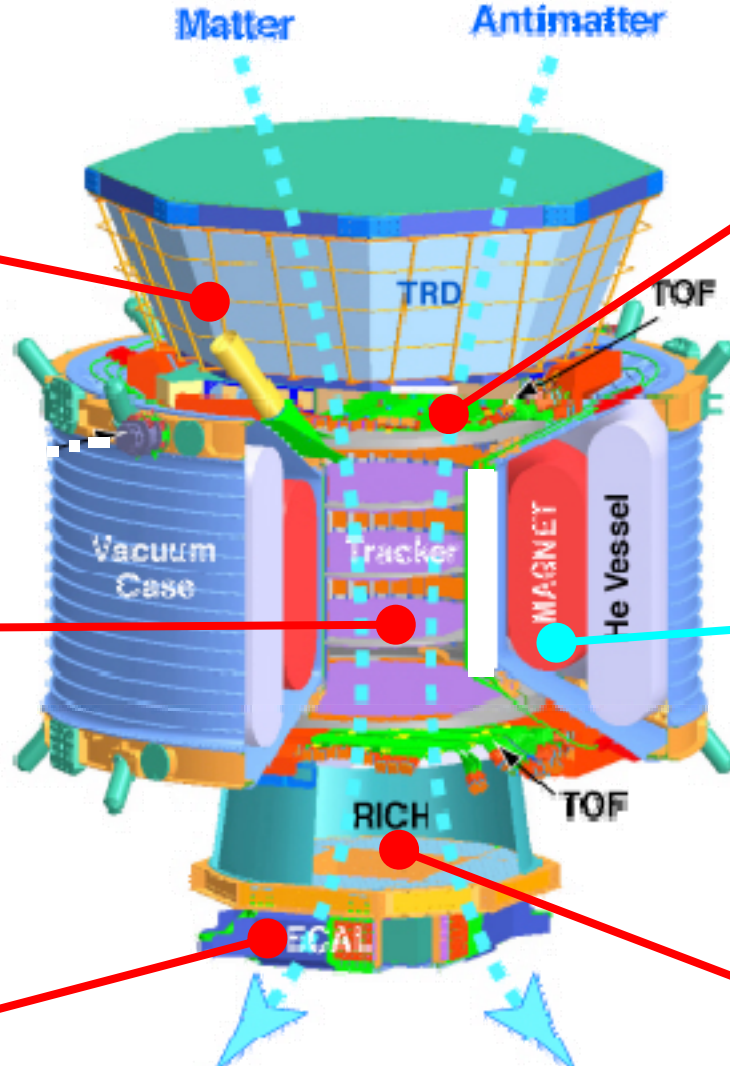
Figure 2 | PAMELA positron fraction with other experimental data and with secondary production model. The positron fraction measured by the

**AMS: Construction of the detectors is complete.  
Expected Launch : Fall 2010**

**TRD**  
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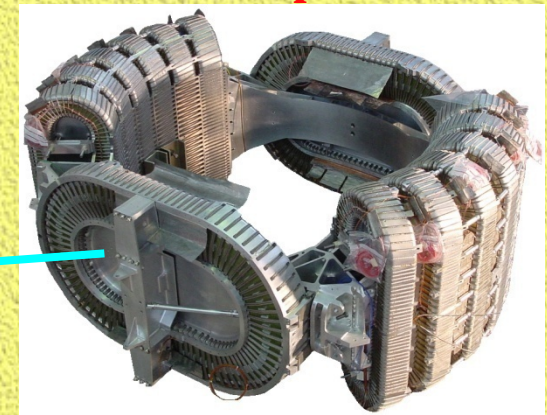
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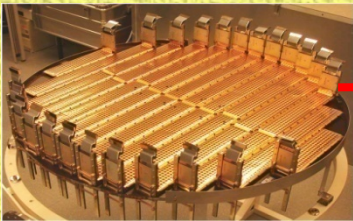
**Time of Flight**  
*v, Z*



**Magnet**  
*P*



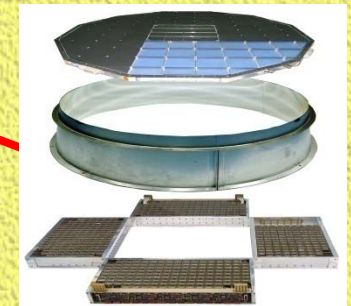
**Silicon Tracker**  
*Z, P*



**Calorimeter**  
*e,  $\gamma$*



**RICH**  
*v, Z*



**Size: 3m x 3m x 3m  
Weight: 7 tons**

# AMS-2 Sensitivities ...

... charge determination till ~500 GeV

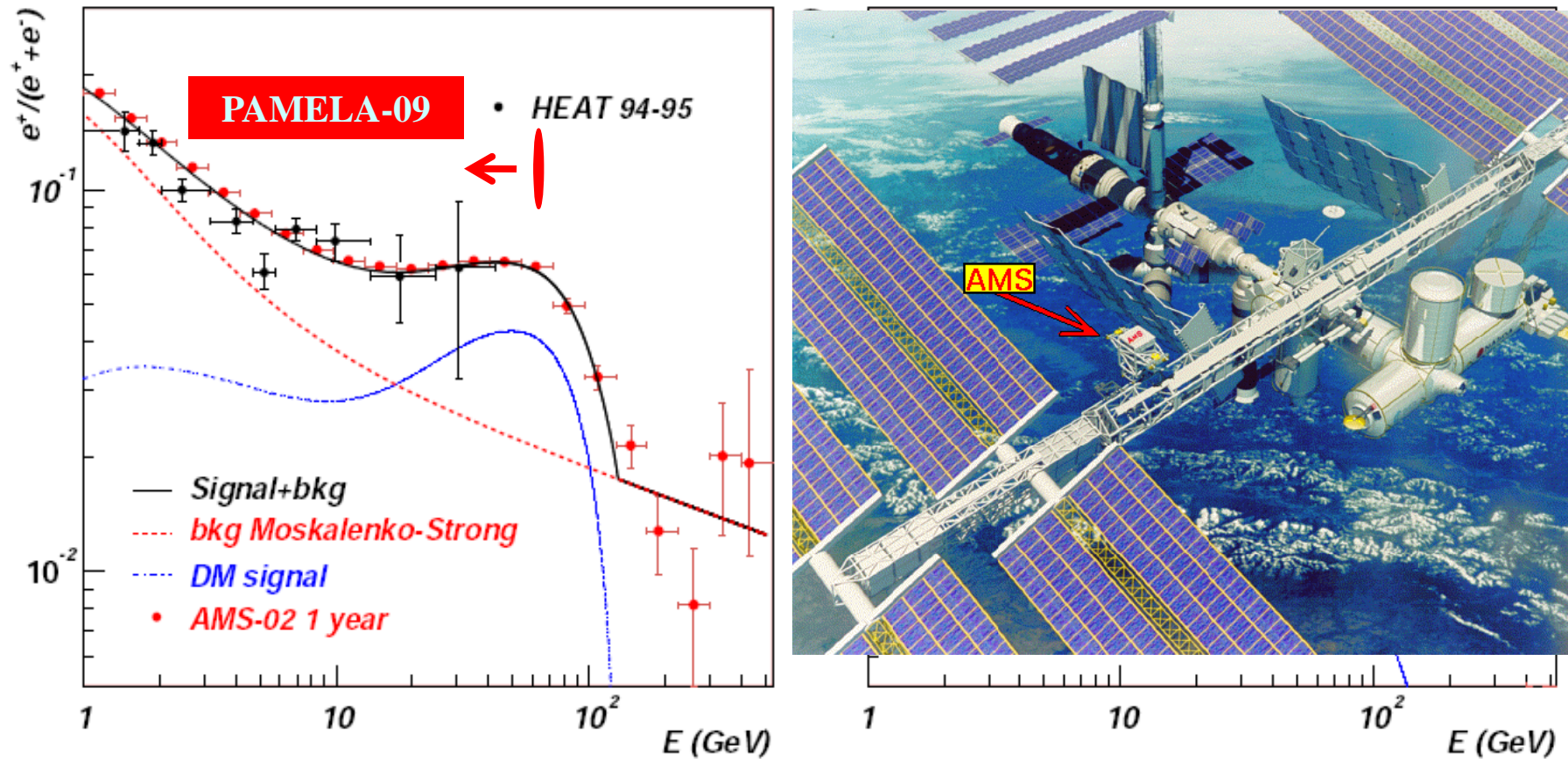
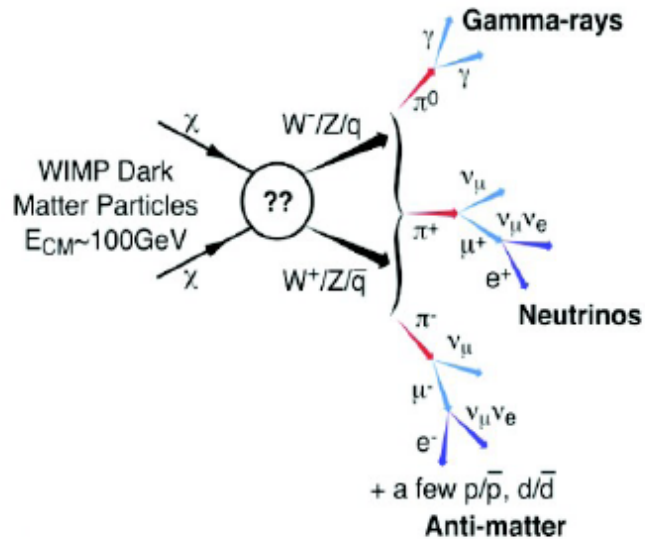


Fig. 1. AMS-02  $e^+$  fraction in the case of a primary  $e^+$  from annihilating  $\chi$  [11]



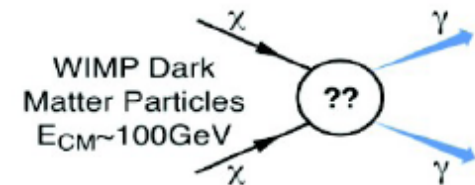
# $\gamma$ -rays from WIMP annihilation

## Continuum spectrum with cutoff at $M_\chi$



## Spectral line at $M_\chi$

- Detection of prompt annihilation into  $\gamma\gamma$  ( $\gamma Z^0$ ) would provide smoking gun for dark matter annihilation
- Requires best energy resolution
- However, annihilation fraction in the range  $10^{-3}$ - $10^{-4}$  (depending on the model)

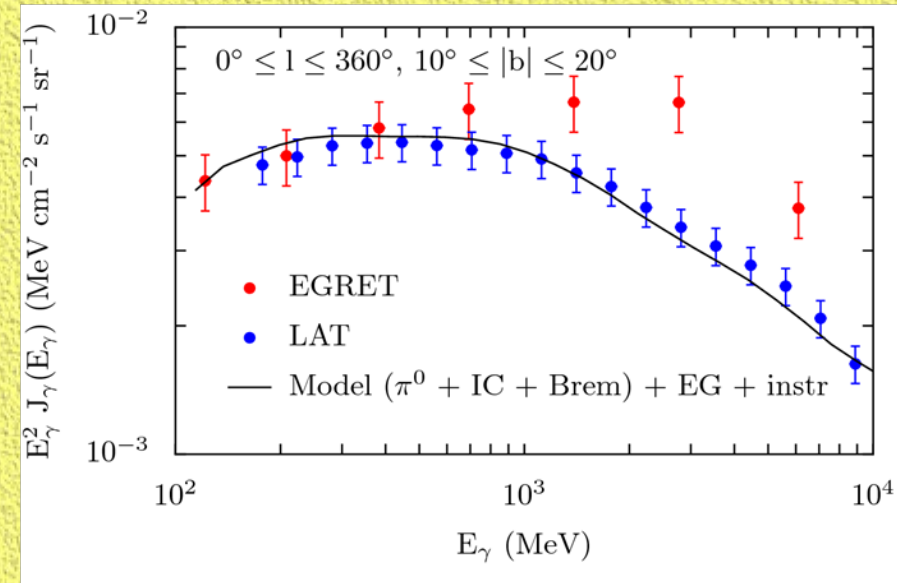
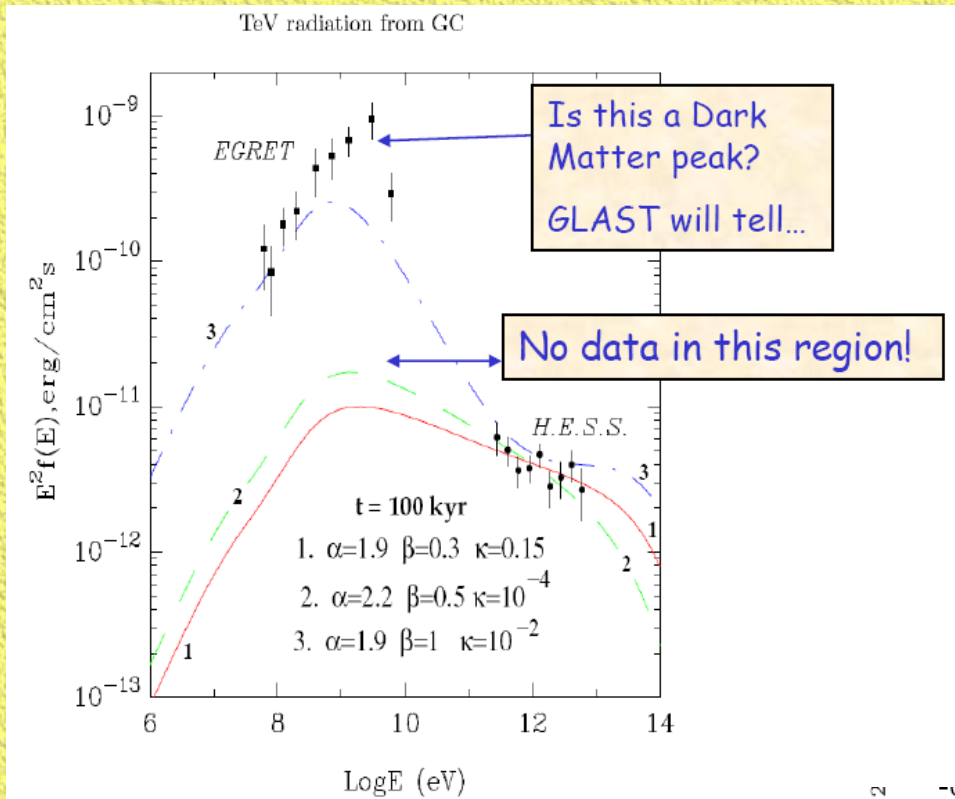


Taking Data : *GLAST/Fermi*

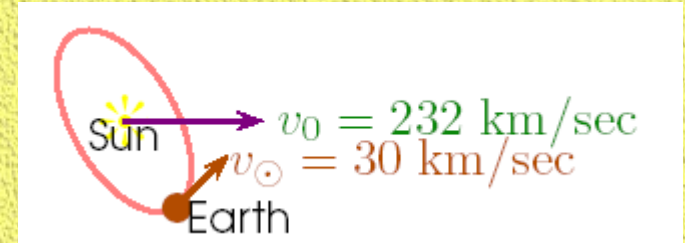
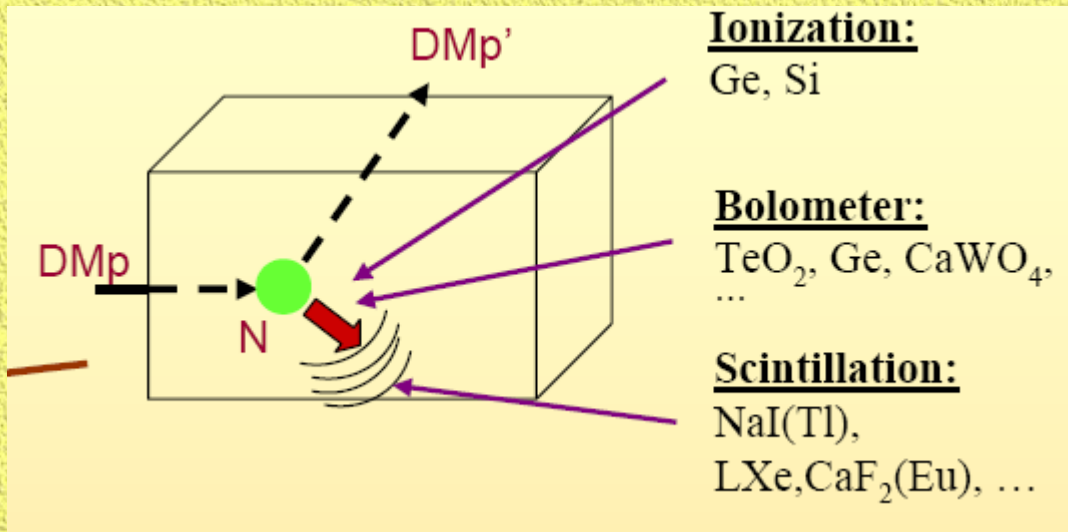


# Anomalous Cosmic Gamma Spectrum

! from EGRET, *NOW* tested by Fermi



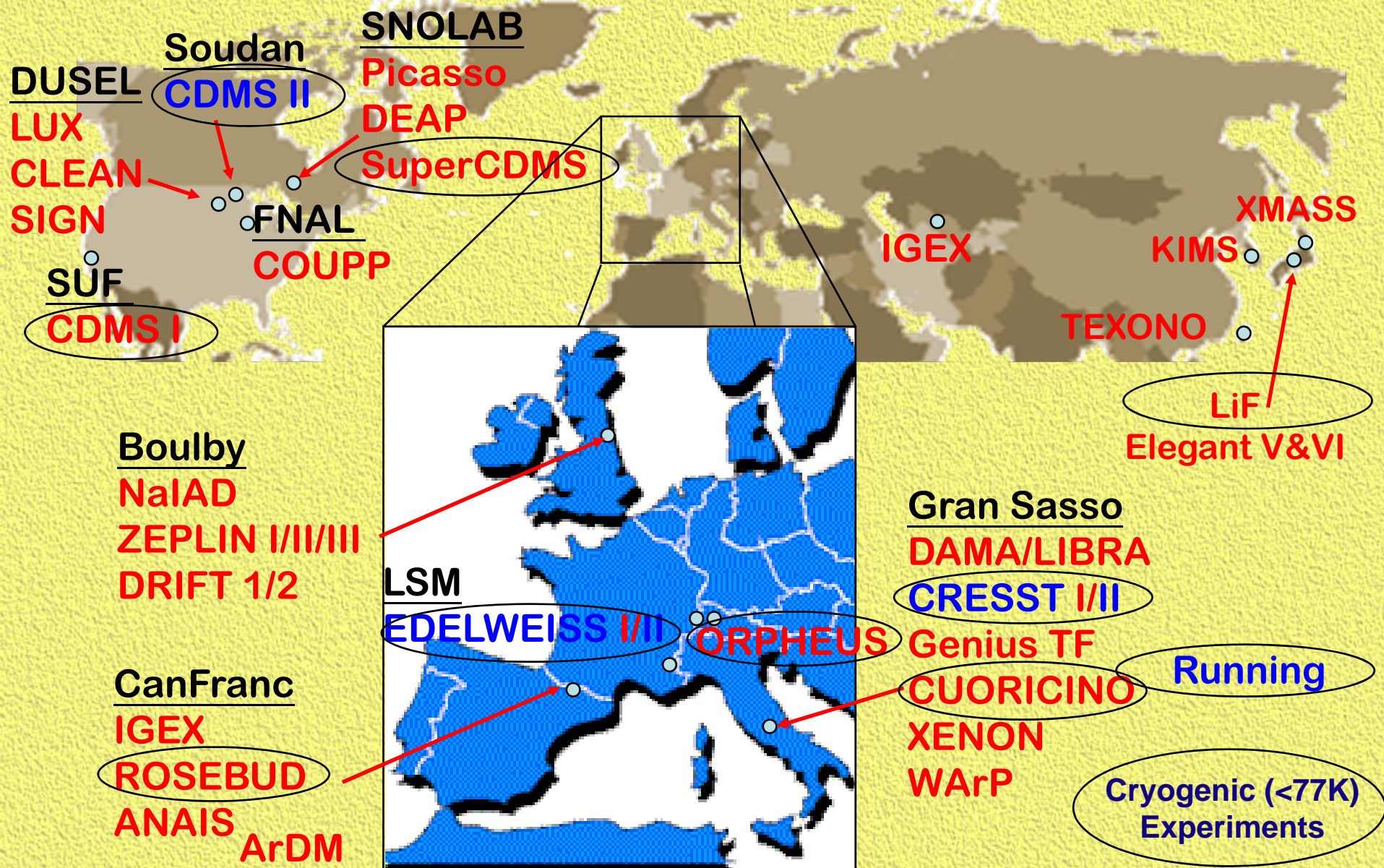
# WIMP Direct Detection



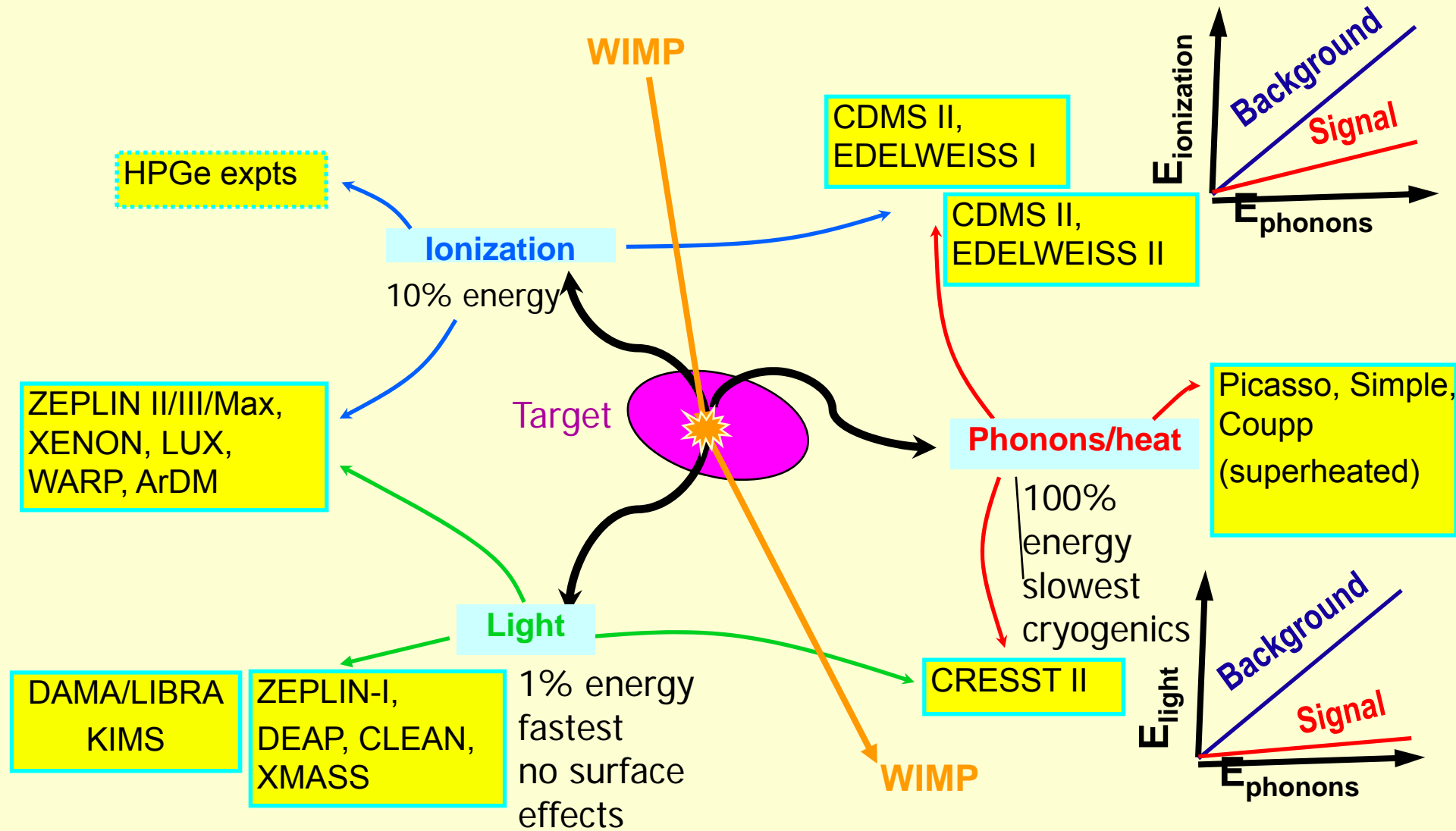
- Elastic recoil of non relativistic halo WIMPs off the nuclei
- Both Spin-Independent ( $\sim A^2$ ) and Spin-Dependent [ $\sim (J+1/J)$ ] Couplings
- Recoil energy of the nucleus in the keV range
- Annual modulation effect due to the rotation of the Earth around the Sun
- Directional Recoils, experimentally challenging

# WIMP-detection Experiments Worldwide

(from Subject Review TAUP-07)



# Detector Techniques - Present Focus : Nuclear Vs Electron recoils

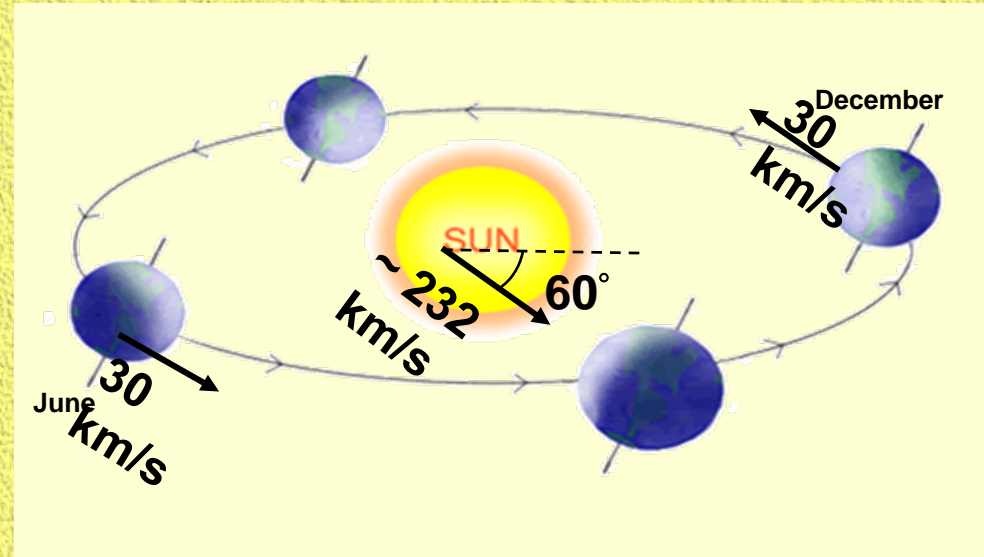


© Future : Lower Threshold ; Direction Sensitive

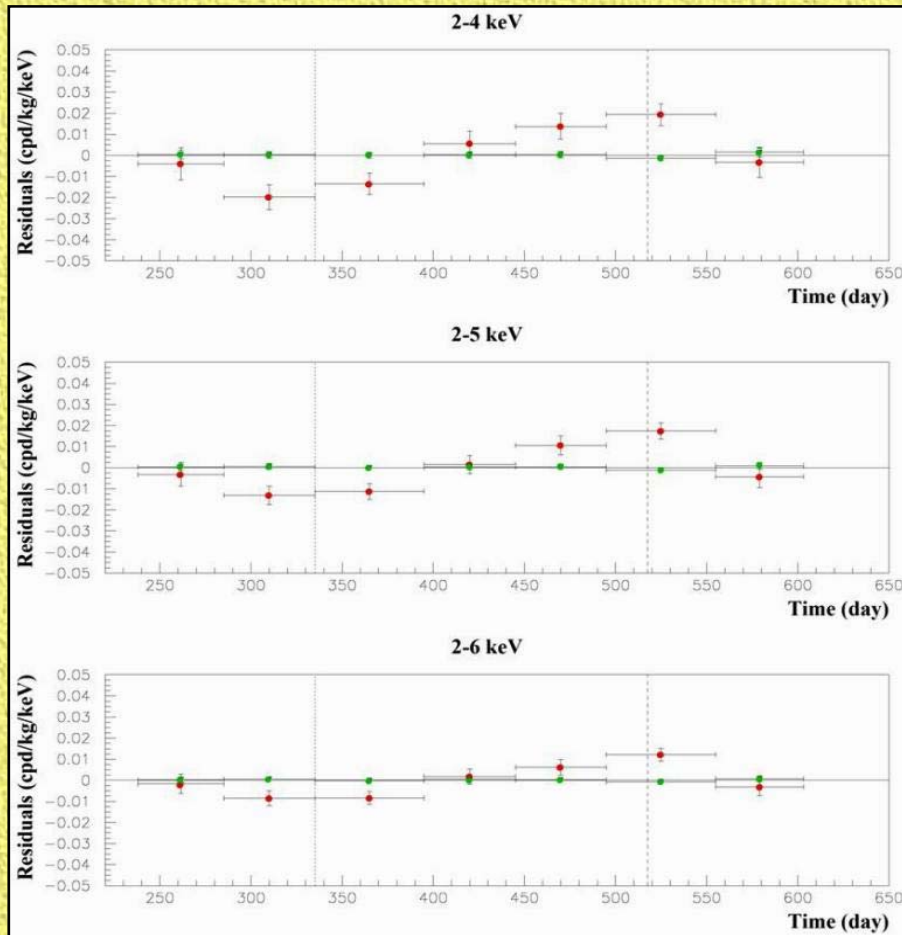


# DAMA/LIBRA

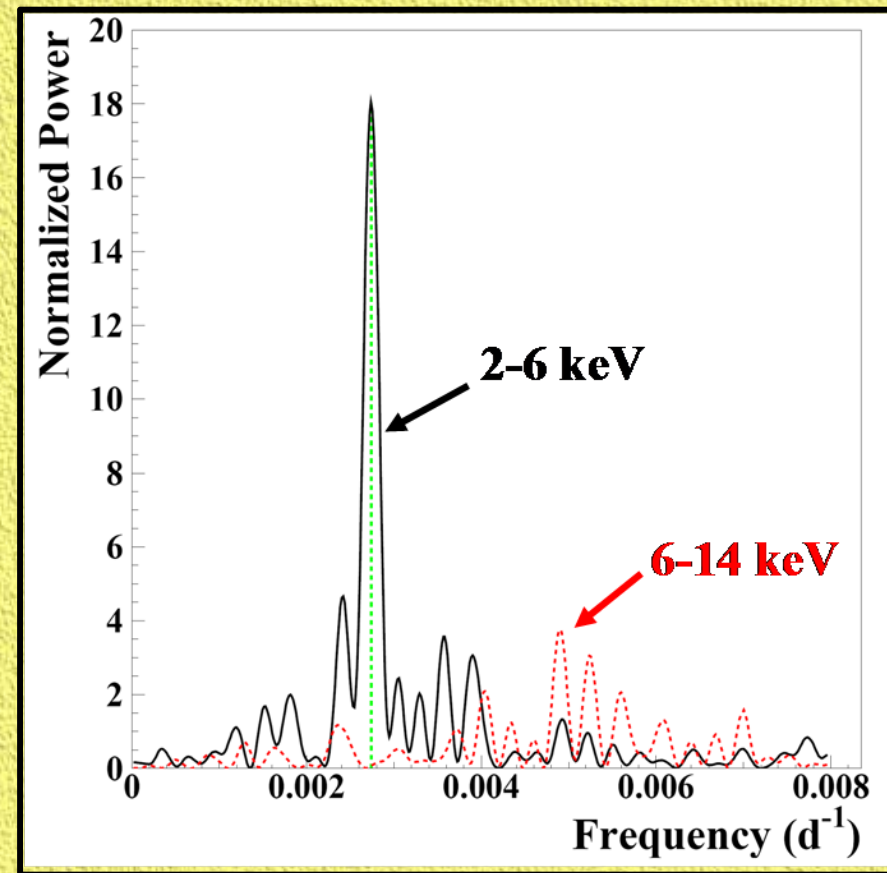
- NaI(Tl) Scintillator at Gran Sasso : total 0.82 ton-year data
- Observe annual modulation in the 2-6 keV single-hit signal band, total 11 cycles,  $> 8\sigma$
- No modulations at higher energy & for multiple-hits



★ *multiple-hits* residual rate (green points) vs single-hit residual rate (red points)



## Single-Hit Power Spectrum

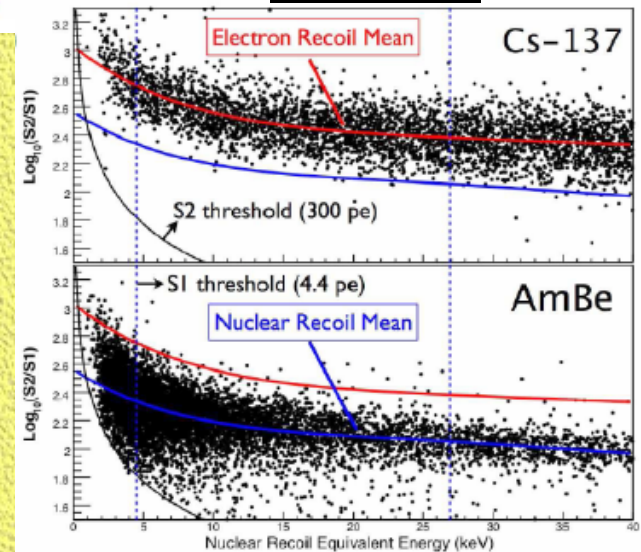
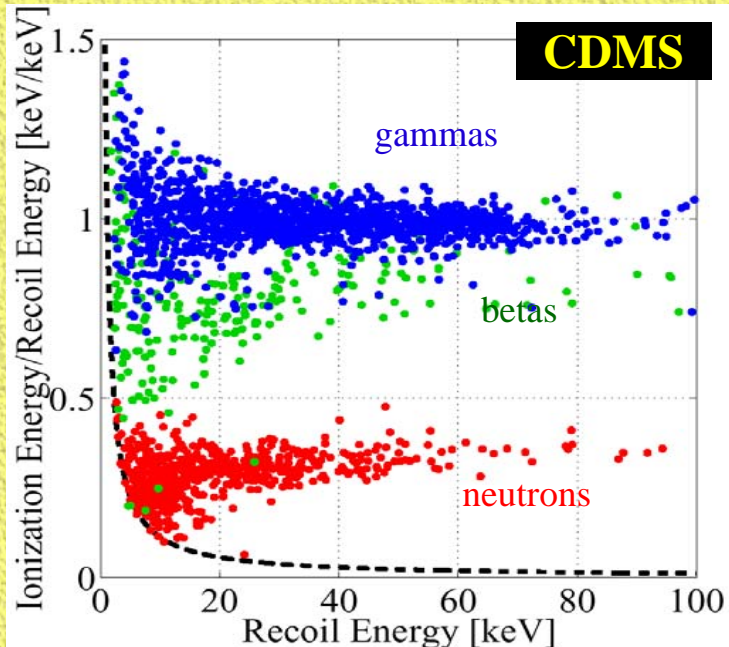
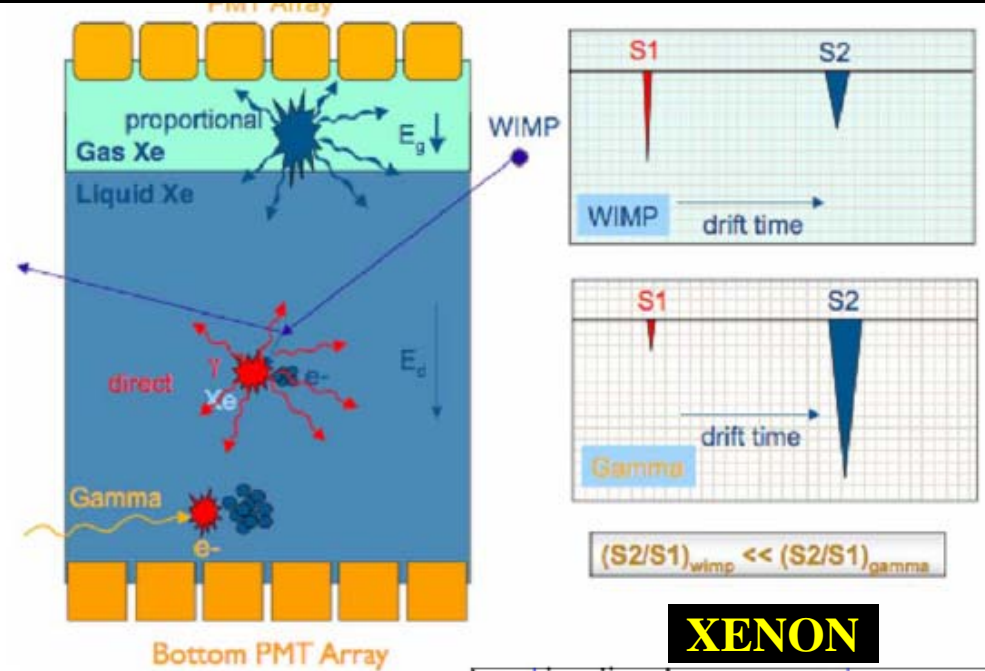


★ **No Modulation for multiple hits at 2-6 keV**

★ **No Modulation for single hit above 6 keV**

# Sensitive Techniques: Phonon+Ionization & Dual Phase Xenon

⇒ Nuclear Vs electron recoils differentiation





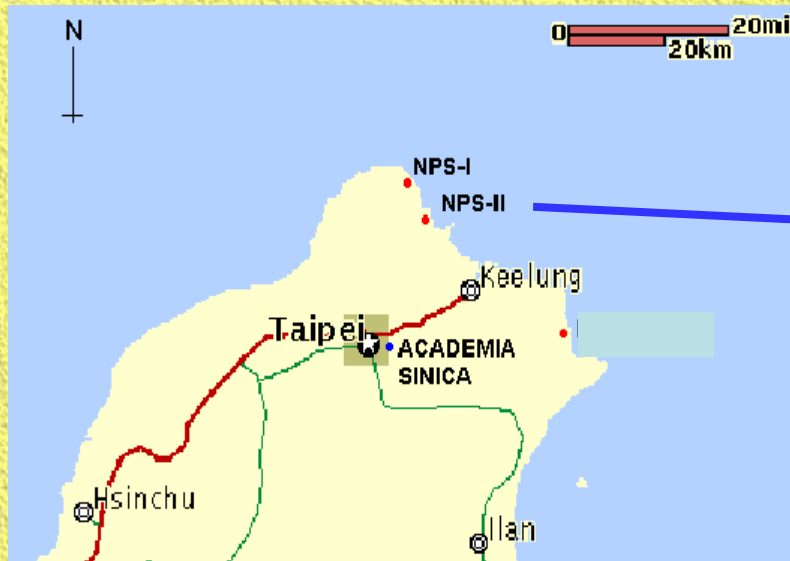
# TEXONO Collaboration



Collaboration : **Taiwan** (AS, INER, KSNPS, NTU) ; **China** (IHEP, CIAE, THU, NKU) ; **Turkey** (METU) ; **India** (BHU)

Program: Low Energy Neutrino & Astroparticle Physics

**Kuo Sheng (國聖) Power Reactor:**

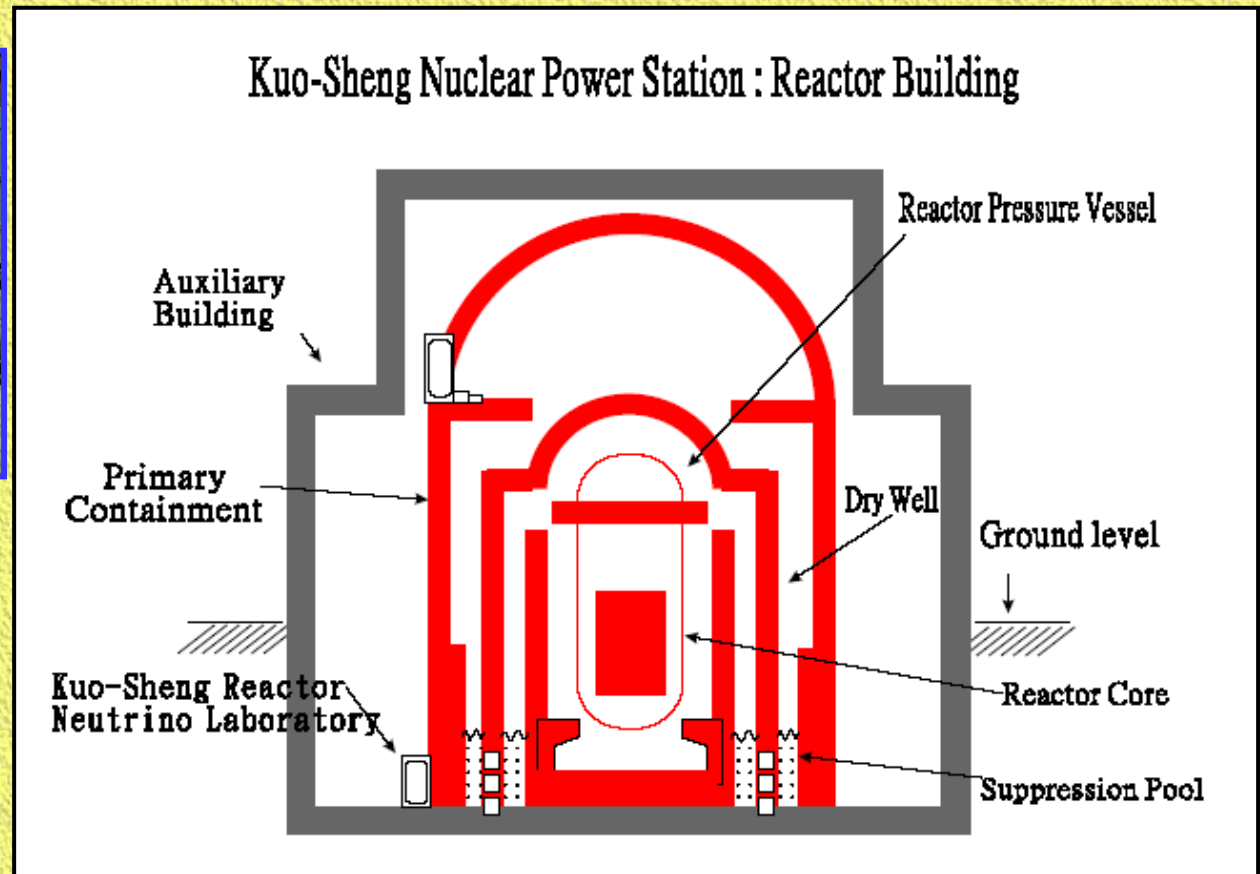


**KS NPS-II : 2 cores × 2.9 GW**

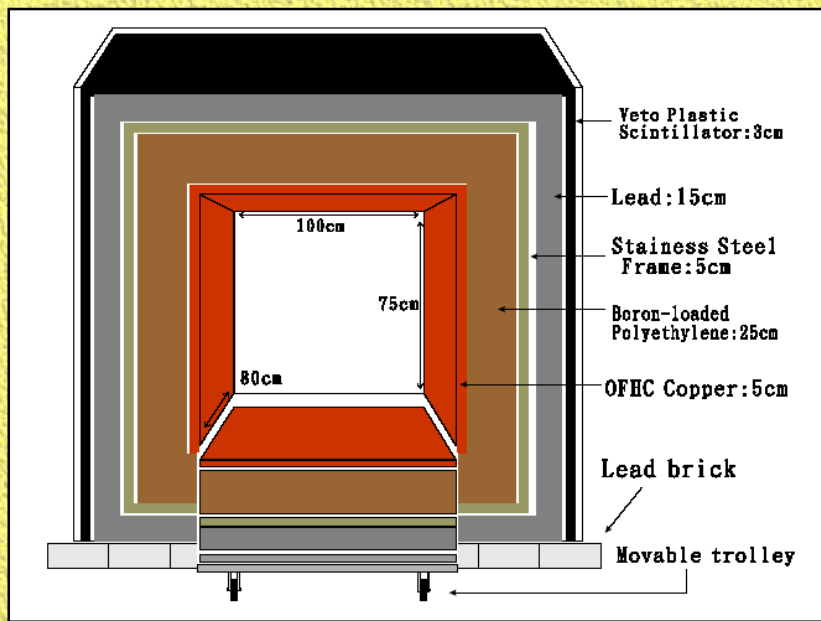


Powerful collaboration. Scientists from Taiwan and mainland China are studying neutrino emissions from this nuclear power plant outside Taipei.

# Kuo Sheng Reactor Neutrino Laboratory



- 28 m from core#1 @ 2.9 GW
- Shallow depth : ~30 meter-water-equivalent
- Reactor Cycle : ~50 days OFF every 18 months



**Front View** (*cosmic vetos, shieldings, control room .....*)



**Inner Target Volume**

**Configuration:** Modest yet Unique

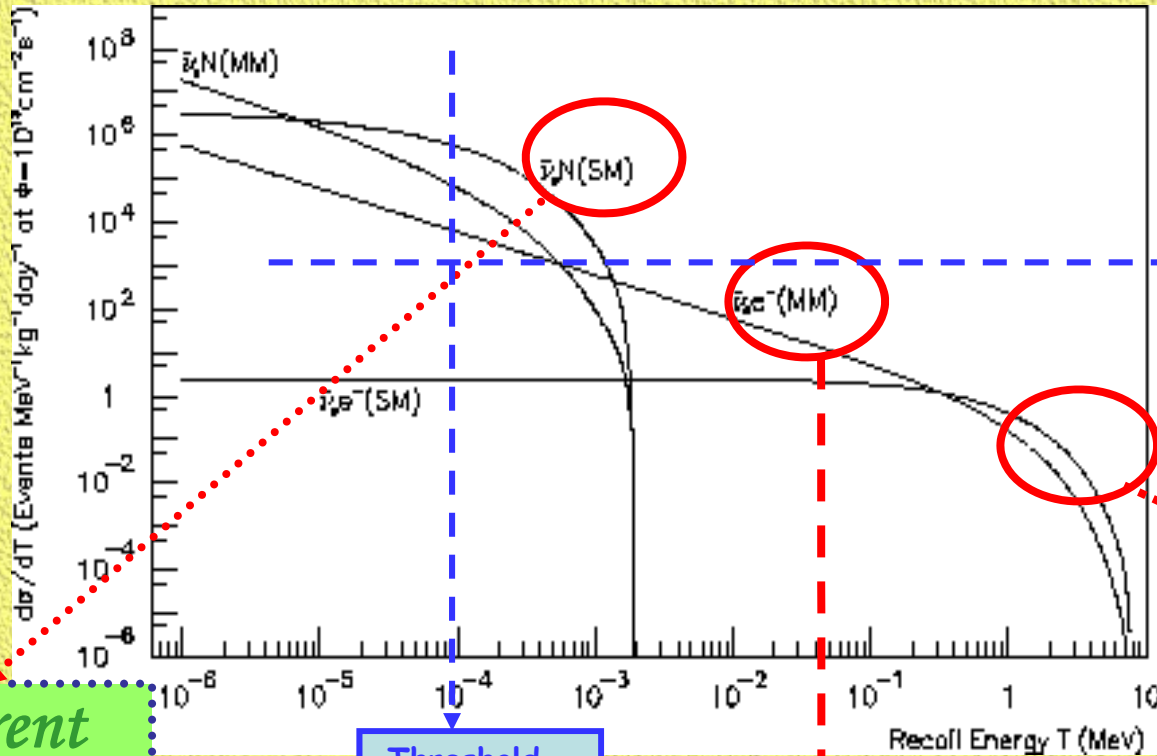
**Flexible Design:** Allows different detectors conf. for different physics

# Neutrino Properties & Interactions at Reactor

quality

Detector requirements

mass

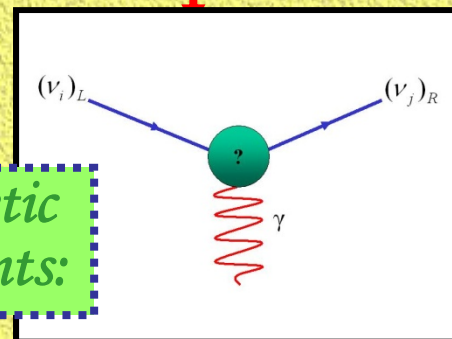


1 counts / kg-keV-day

Standard Model  $\nu_e$  Scattering

$\nu N$  Coherent Scattering

Threshold ~ 100 eV



Magnetic Moments:



## New limits on spin-independent and spin-dependent couplings of low-mass WIMP dark matter with a germanium detector at a threshold of 220 eV

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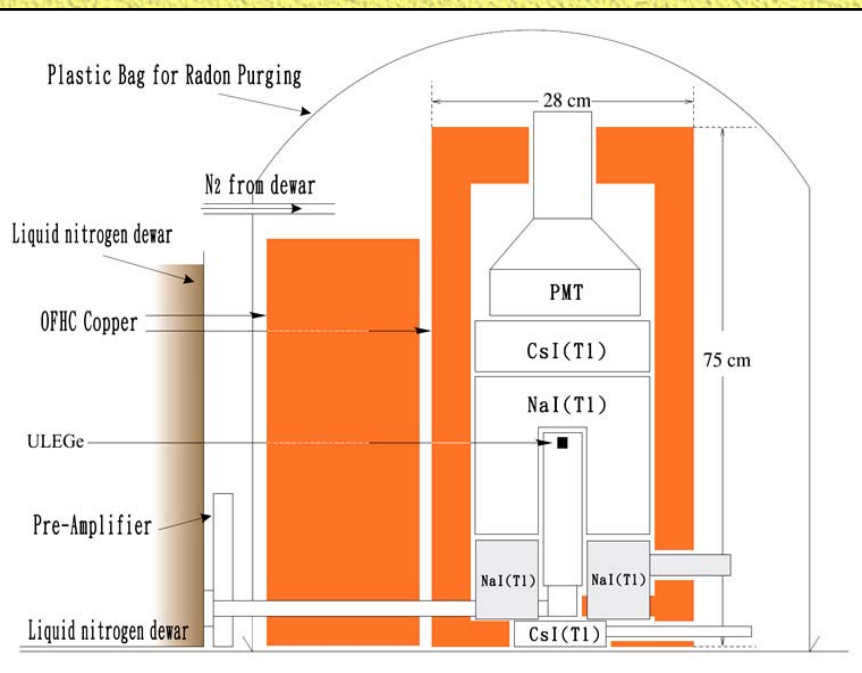
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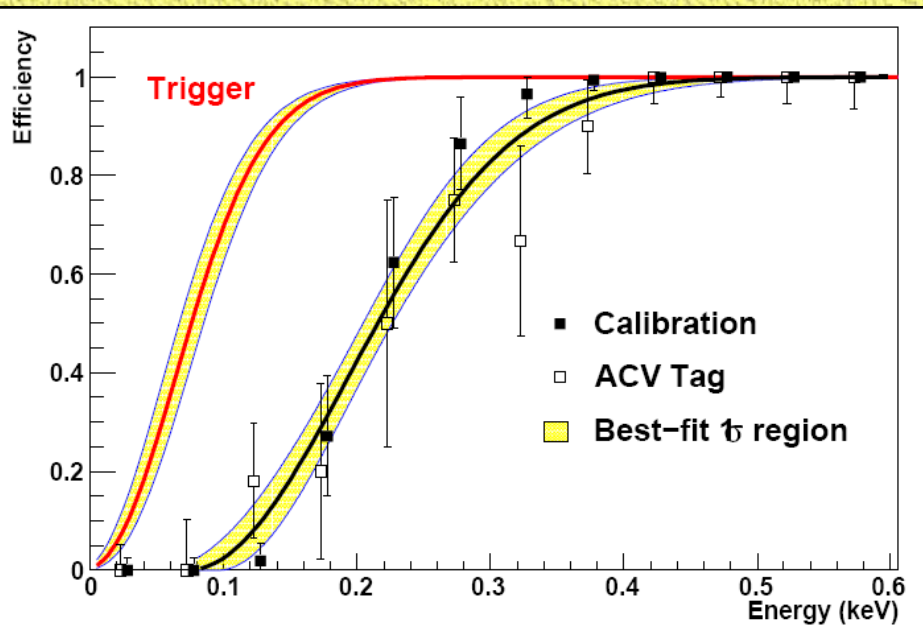
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**4X5g  
ULEGe**

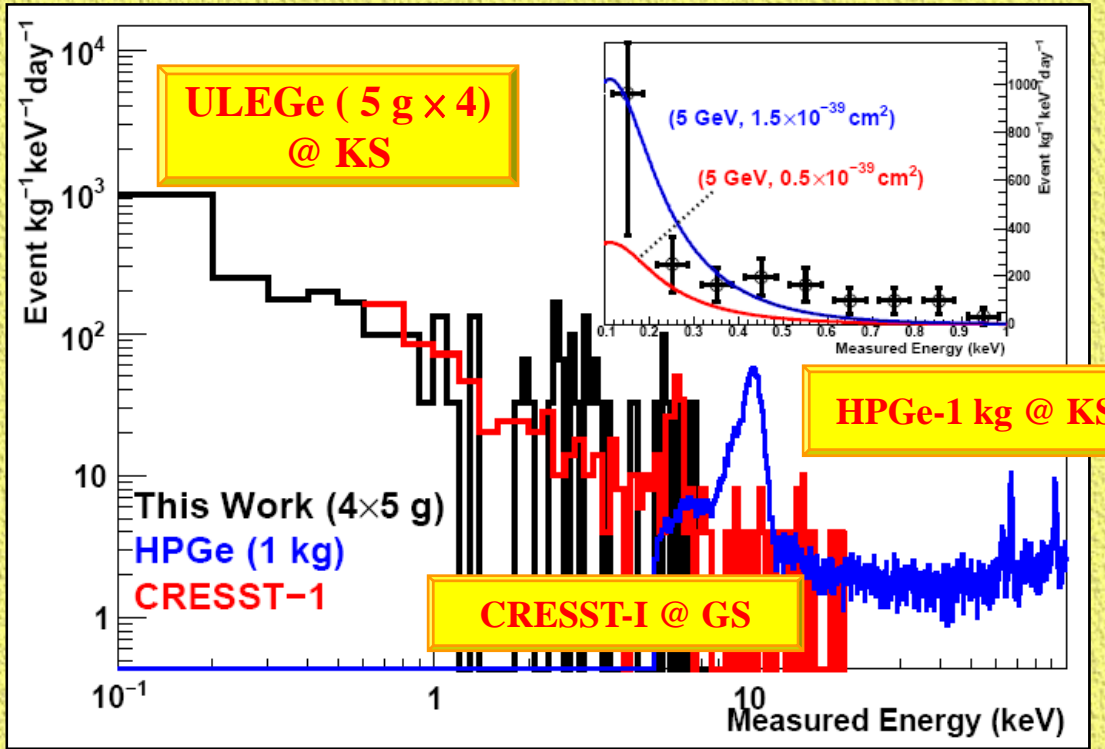


- **Candidate Events:** selected by Anti-Compton [ $ACV : \gamma$ ] and Cosmic-Ray [ $CRV : \mu$ ] vetos & Pulse-Shape Discrimination [ $PSD : \text{electronic noise}$ ]
- **Critical Issues:** Signal efficiencies for trigger, DAQ & Selection
- **Non-Ge Efficiency [ $DAQ, ACV, CRV$ ]:** evaluated by Random Trigger events.

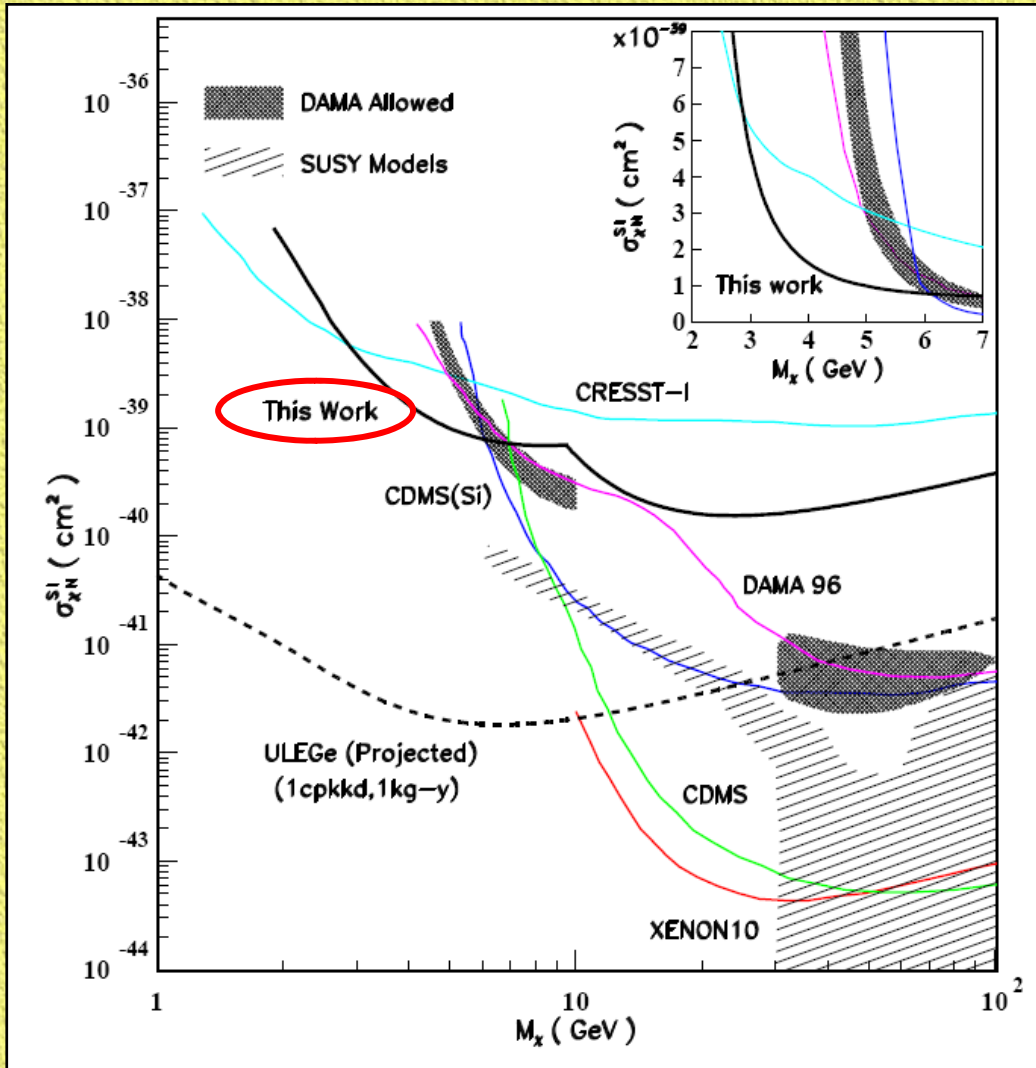


Background comparable to those of Underground Experiments

Efficiency  
 $\epsilon=50\% @ 220 \text{ eV}$



# Exclusion Plot : Spin-Independent Couplings

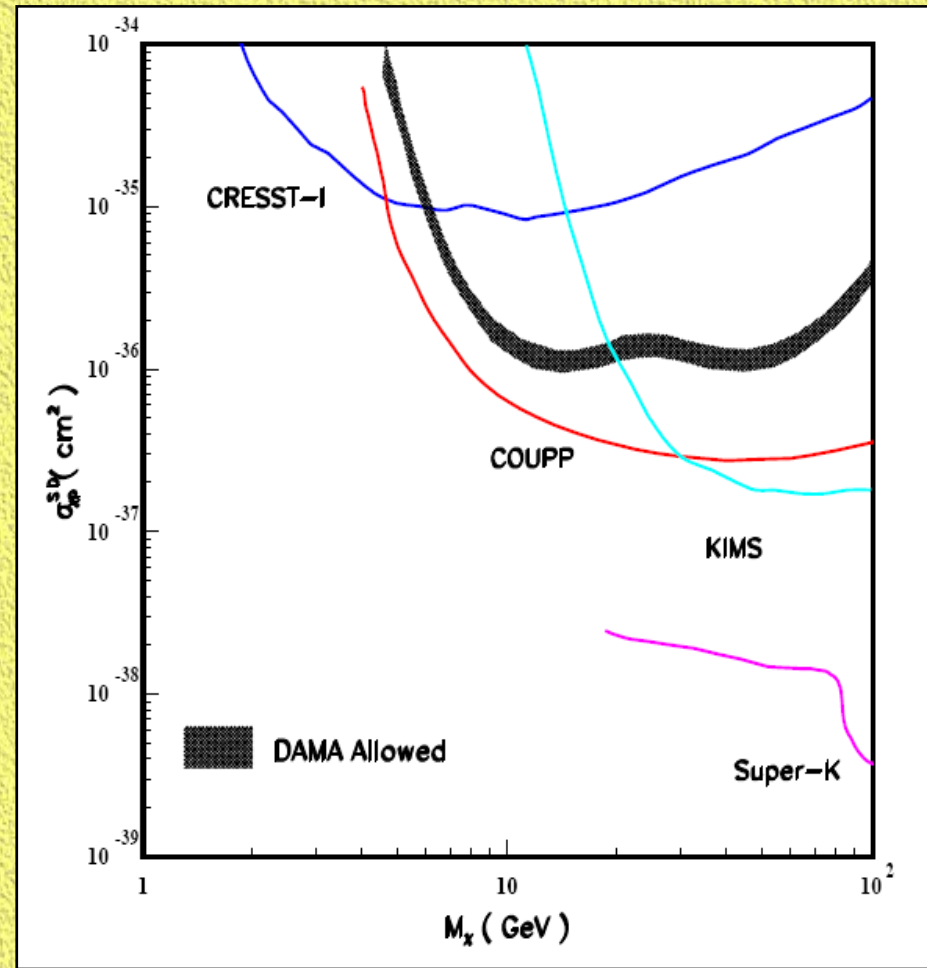
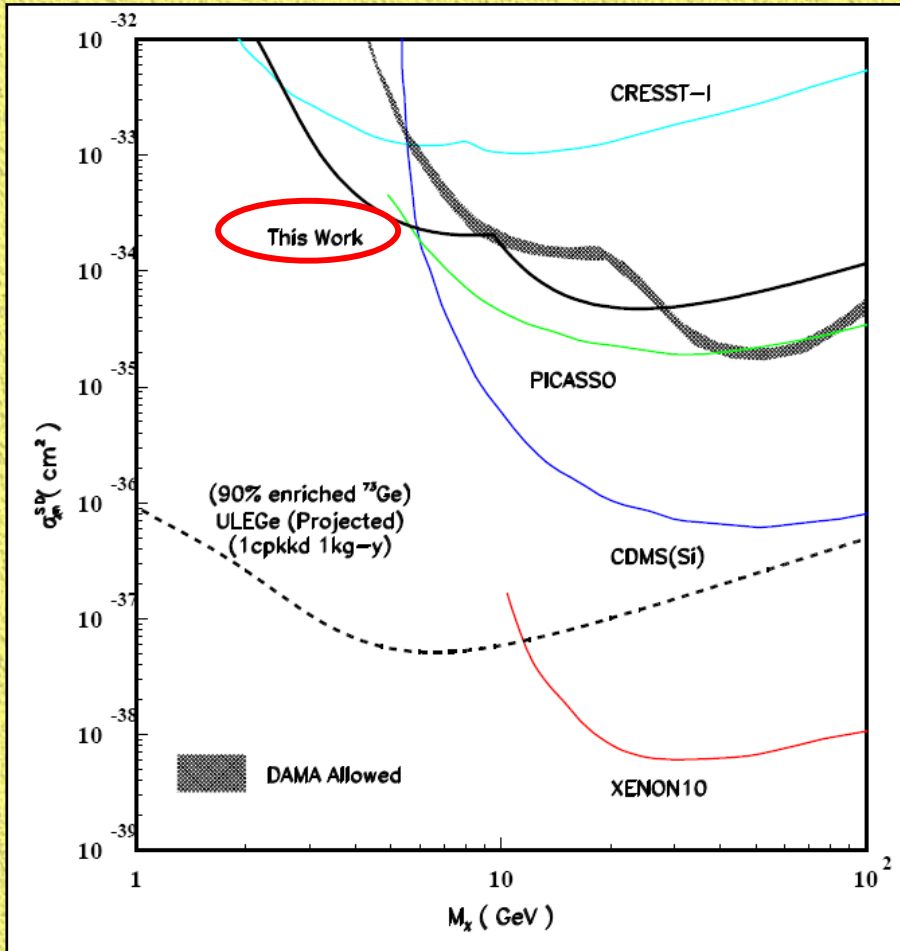


**TEXONO** : 20 g  
ULEGe at  
220 eV threshold  
 $\Rightarrow$  low WIMP  
masses [PRD 2009]



Data Taking at KS  
with 500g Point-  
Contact Ge Underway

# Exclusion Plot : Spin-Dependent Couplings

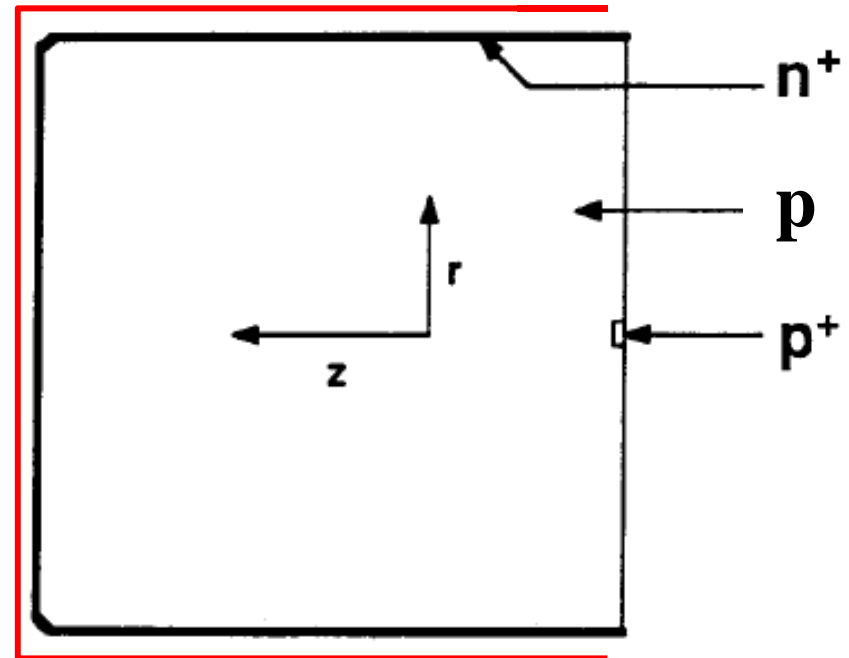




# Detector Scale-up Plans: Point Contact Ge Detector



S1



S0

- 500-g, single-element, modified coaxial HPGe design, inspired by successful demonstration of Chicago group (nucl-ex/0701012)
- Position-sensitive from drift-profile pulse shape
- Dual-electrode readout and ULB specification
- Delivered July 2008, KS data taking November 2008.

# New Opportunities : Excellent Candidate Site for Underground Lab. at 四川錦屏, China

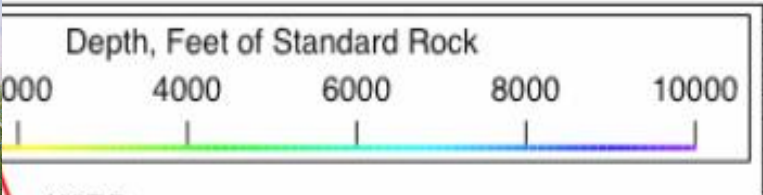


♥ 17 km drive-access  
road tunnel with >2 km  
rock overburden !

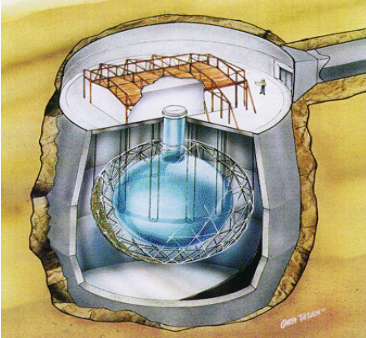
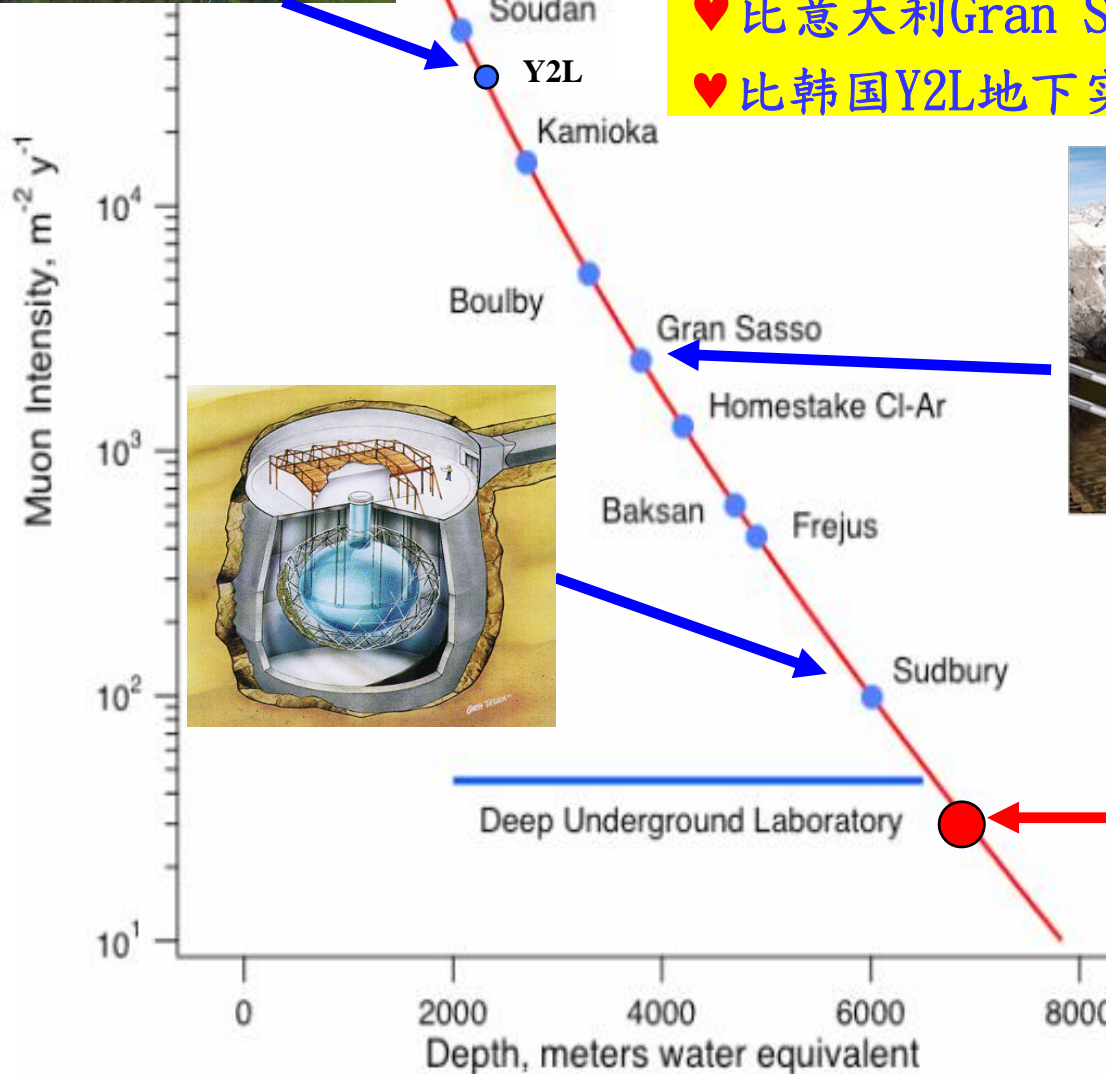


穿越锦屏山的锦屏二级水电站引水隧洞的最大埋深为2525米，四条隧洞的总长度超过了70公里，组成了世界规模最大的发电引水隧洞群。图为一号隧洞的TBM掘进机作业场景。（刘渝 喻安谋摄影报道）





**宇宙线通量:**  
 ♥ 比意大利Gran Sasso地下国家实验室低约100倍  
 ♥ 比韩国Y2L地下实验室低1000倍以上



# Summary & Outlook



- **Missing Energy Density Problem** is the most intriguing & important one in basic science.
- Some tangible leads & lines of attack already exist for **Dark Matter Problem**
- **WIMPs & Axions** are two of the most popular candidates for Cold Dark Matter, motivated independently in Particle Physics
- Wide spectrum of experimental techniques pursued
- Several **anomalous results** which can be CDM-induced
- Competitive sensitivities in **TEXONO** on direct searches
  - ⇒ New Underground Lab. at Sichuan soon
- ***Strong Potentials for Surprises*** in both Theory & Expts