

# MICROQUASARS



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- High energy astrophysics
- Cosmology (in cosmic re-ionization epoch)
- Gravitational wave astrophysics (in formation of StBHs)

# A "MICROQUASAR" AT THE GALACTIC CENTRE REGION

Mirabel, Rodríguez, et al. (1992)

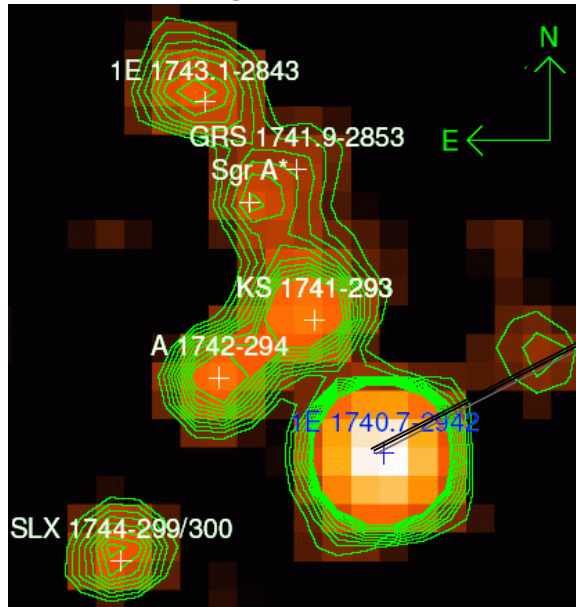
A multi- $\lambda$  approach revealed the radio and IR counterparts...

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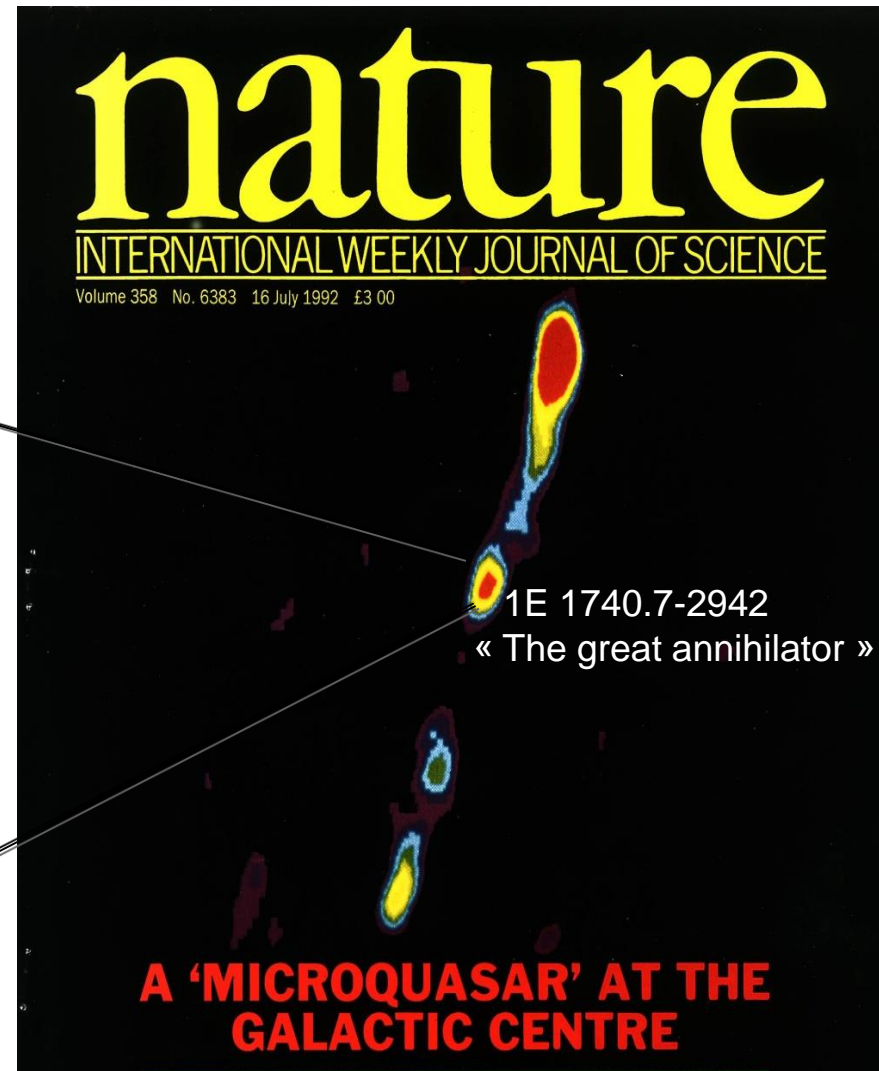


Belanger et al. 2003

GRANAT..&  
INTEGRAL



BH in a LMXB (Martí, Mirabel, Chaty 2000)



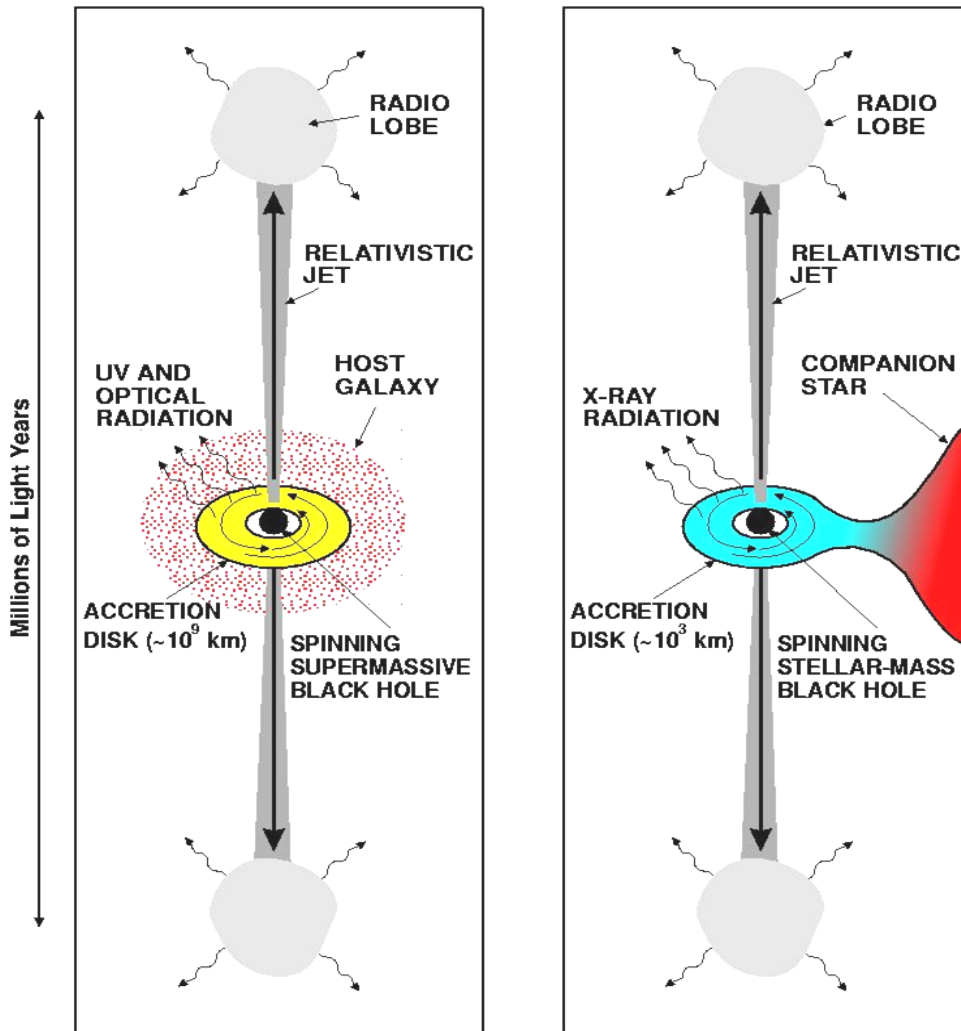
10 international meetings on  $\mu$ QSOs, including an IAU Symp.in BsAs (2010)

# QUASAR-MICROQUASAR ANALOGY

## QUASAR

## MICROQUASAR

Mirabel & Rodríguez (Nature 1998)



The scales of length and time are proportional to  $M_{BH}$

$$R_{sh} = 2GM_{BH}/c^2 ; \Delta T \propto M_{BH}$$

Unique system of equations:

The maximum color temperature of the accretion disk is:

$$T_{col} \propto (M/10M_{\odot})^{-1/4}$$

(Shakura & Sunyaev, 1976)

For a given accretion rate:

$$L_{Bol} \propto M_{BH} ; I_{jet} \propto M_{BH} ;$$

$$\phi \propto M_{BH}^{-1} ; B \propto M_{BH}^{-1/2}$$

(Sams, Eckart, Sunyaev, 96; Rees 2004)

Could analogous apparent superluminal motions at those found in QSOs & Radio Galaxies also be observed in  $\mu$ QSOs?

# SUPERLUMINAL EJECTION IN A $\mu$ QSO

- GRS 1915+105 (discovered with GRANAT Sunyaev+ 1993)
- $0.5 M_{\odot}$  red giant orbiting a  $10 M_{\odot}$  BH (Greiner+ Nature 2000)

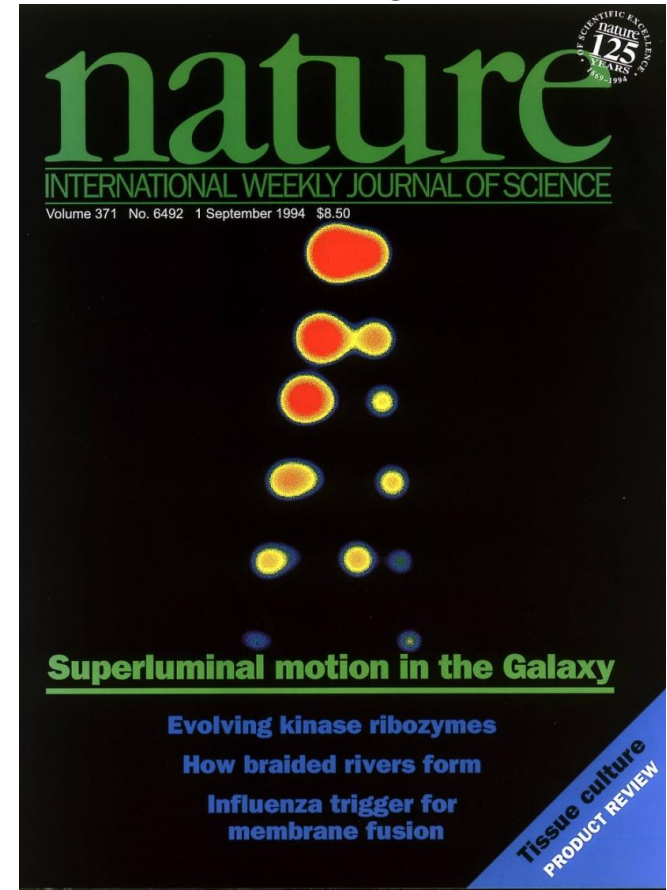
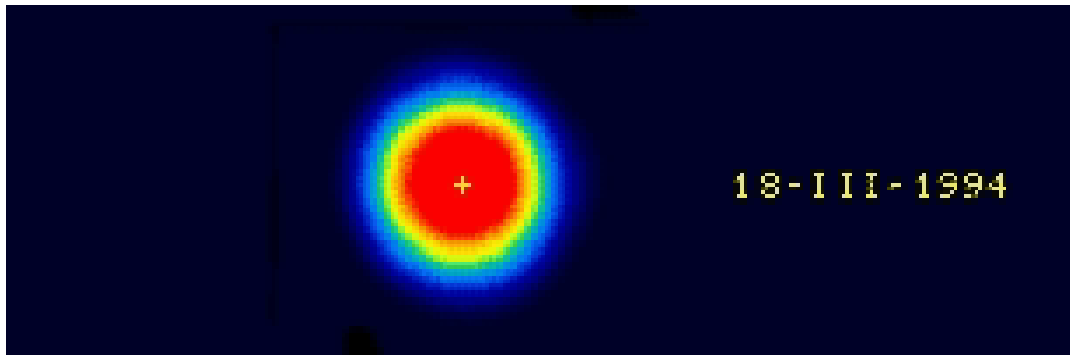
Mirabel & Rodríguez, 1994



1 arcsec



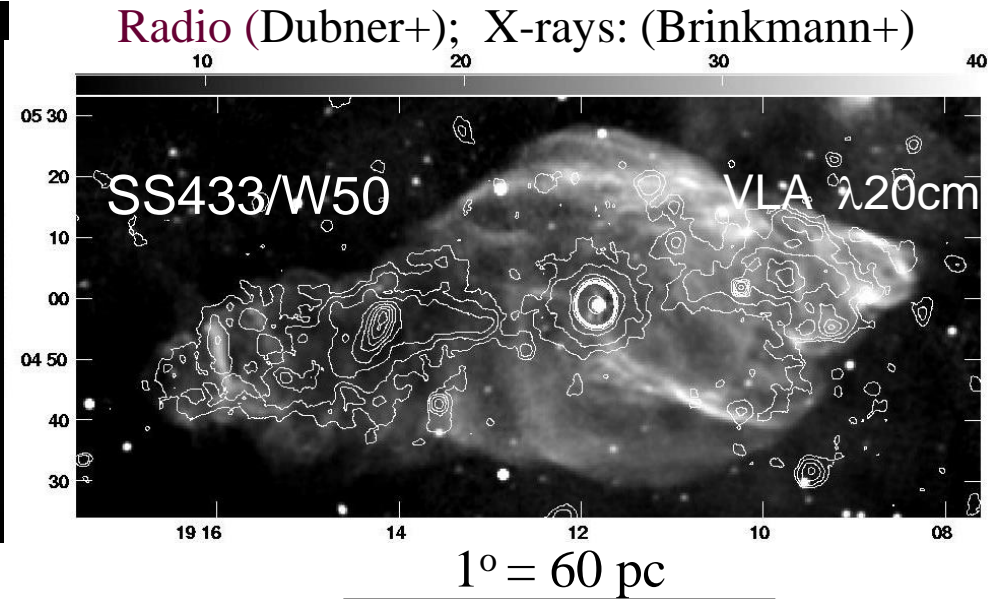
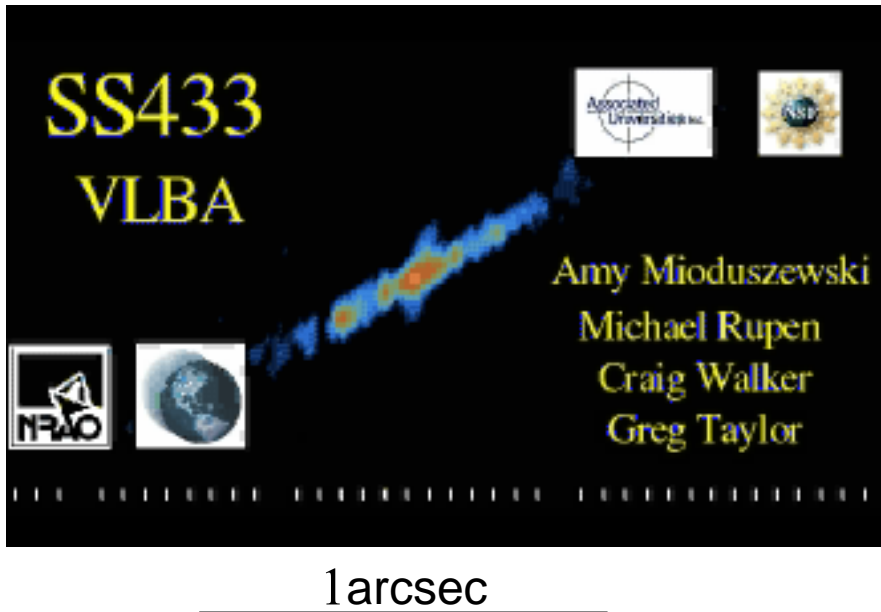
Luis F. Rodríguez



- $V_{app} > C$  Jets have apparent superluminal motions
- $K_{ejecta} = 3 \times 10^{46}$  erg =  $1/3 M_{Moon}$  at  $0.95c$  assuming  $1 p^+/e^-$  and  $\gamma_{int}$  of  $e^- = 10^3$
- Jet at  $70^\circ$  of line of sight. No detection at HE (.1-10 GeV) & VHE (.1-100 TeV)



# POWERFUL DARK JETS FROM BLACK HOLES



- Atomic nuclei moving at  $0.26c \Rightarrow L_{\text{mech}} > 10^{39}\text{ erg/sec}$
- Non radiative jets ( $>50\%$  of energy is not radiated  $\Rightarrow$  “**DARK JETS**”)
- Fermi detects a maximum @ 250 MeV with extension up to 800 MeV (Bordas+ 2015)
- HAWC detects VHE emission from the lobes (Sandoval+ 2018)
- MAGIC placed constraints on the particle acceleration fraction at the inner jet regions and on the physics of the jet/medium interactions. (Ahnen+ 2017)

# MOVING X-RAY JETS IN $\mu$ QSOs

$\mu$ QSOs XTE J1550-564 & H1743-322 (Corbel+ Science 2002, 2005)

Formation of radio-X-ray lobes observed in real time

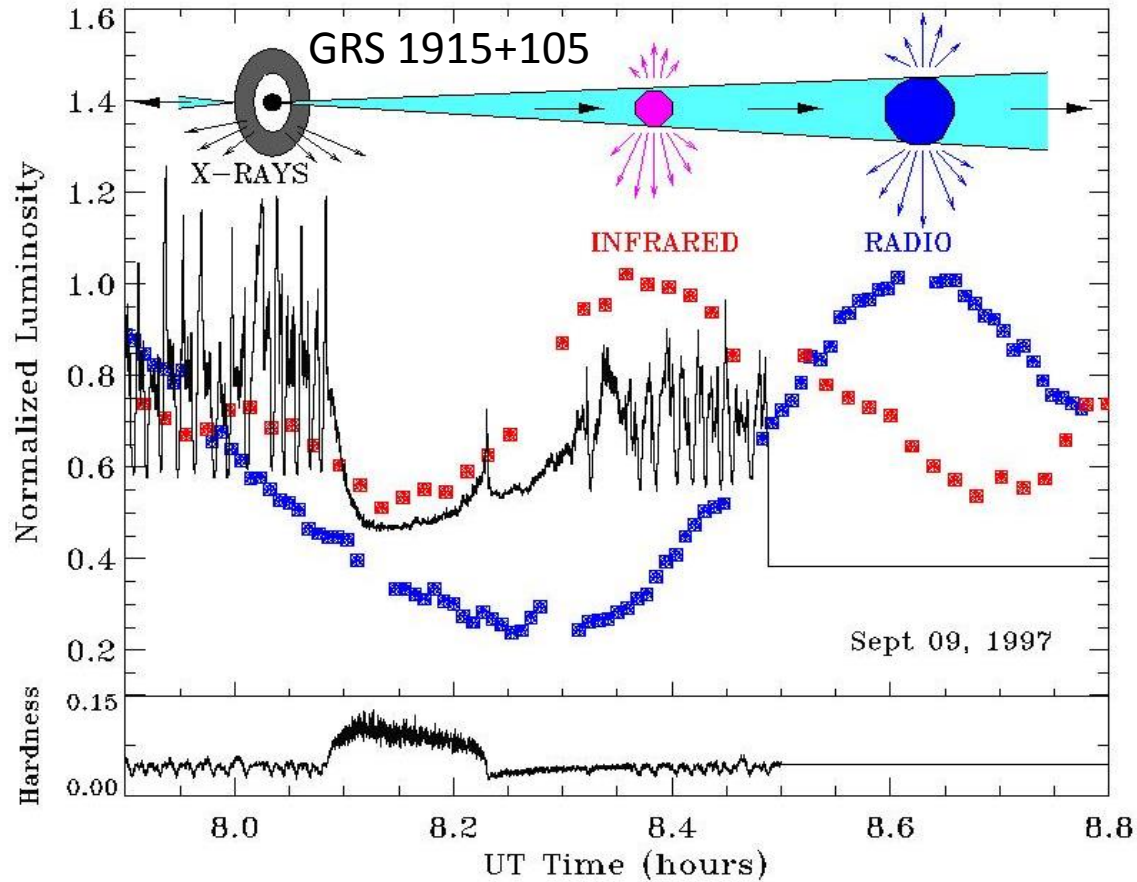
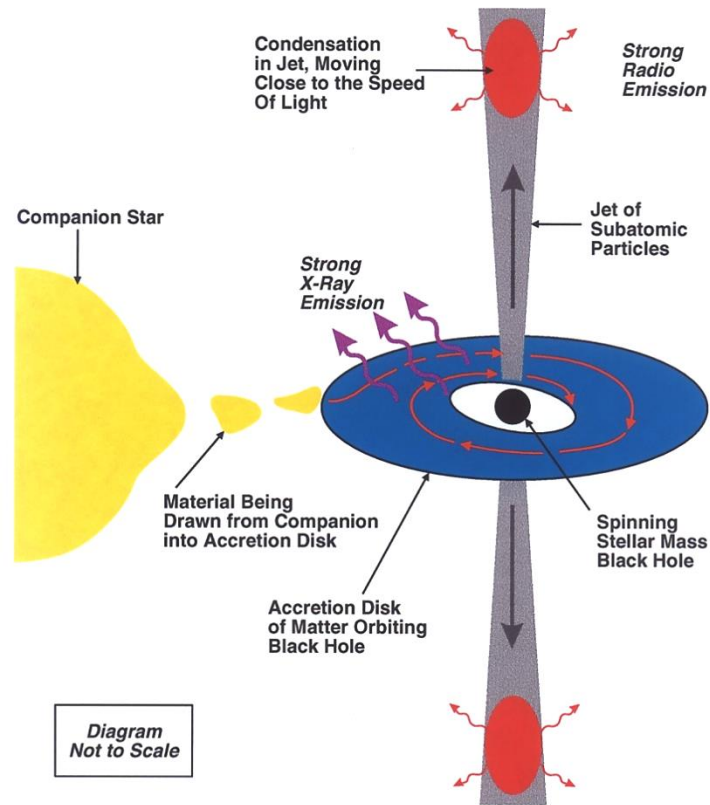
A micro-radio-galaxy?

X-rays are produced by synchrotron  $\Rightarrow$  electrons accelerated to TeV energies

# ACCRETION - JET CONNECTION

$$\Delta T \propto M_{\text{BH}}$$

Mirabel+ (Nature 1998)



- DROP OF X-RAYS  $\Rightarrow$  MATTER MAY GO THROUGH THE HORIZON OF BH
- AFTER 5m A SPIKE MARKS THE ONSET OF A JET SEEN IN THE IR...

**NO BURST  $\Rightarrow$  COMPACT OBJECT WITH NO MATERIAL SURFACE**

# DISK-JET COUPLING IN BLACK HOLES

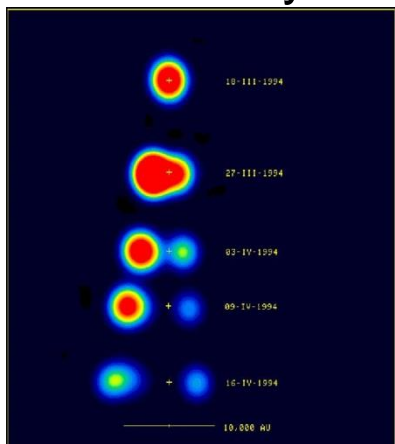
Transition between radiative efficient/radiative inefficient accretion

Fender, Belloni & Gallo (2006)

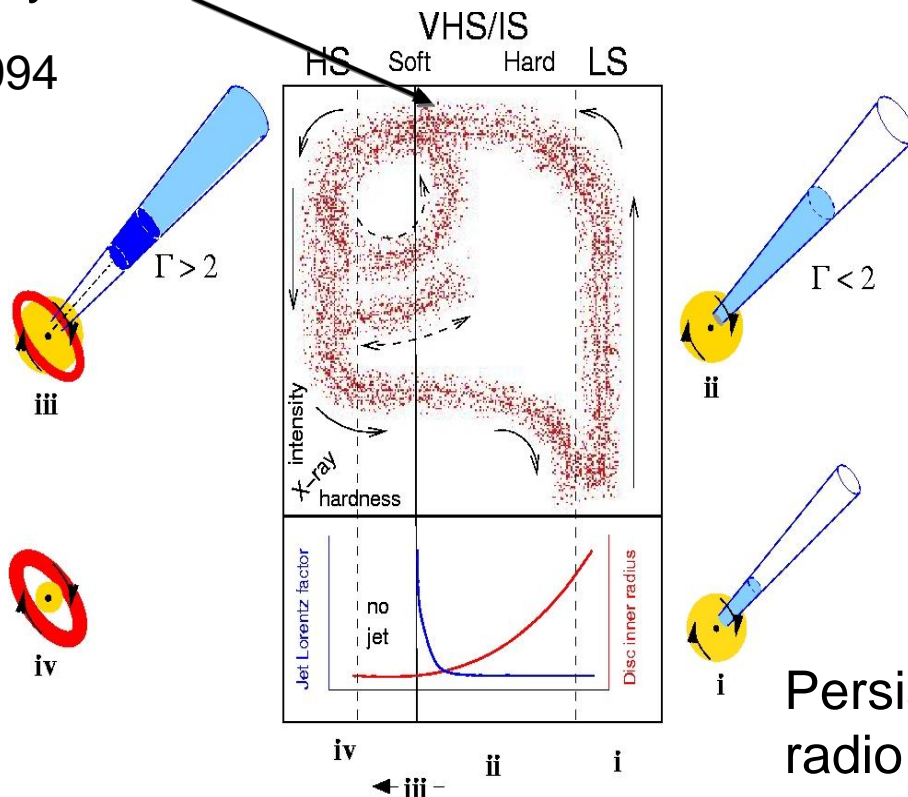
Outburst with rapid transition from hard to soft X-ray state

Mirabel & Rodríguez 1994

Soft X-rays

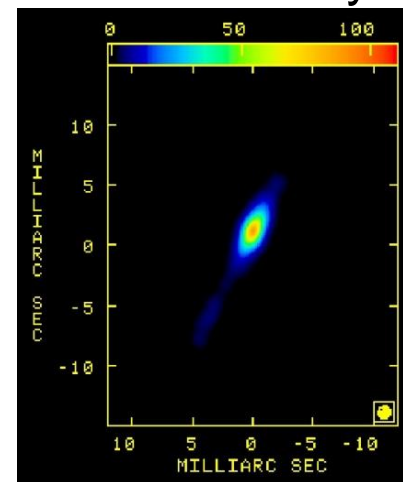


Transient, optically thin radio jets:  $\Gamma > 2$



Mirabel+ 2005

Low-hard X-rays



Persistent, flat spectrum radio source:  $\Gamma < 2$

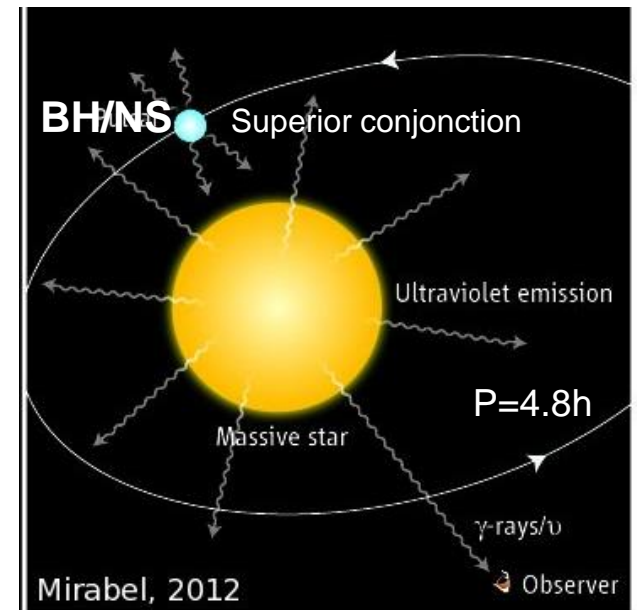
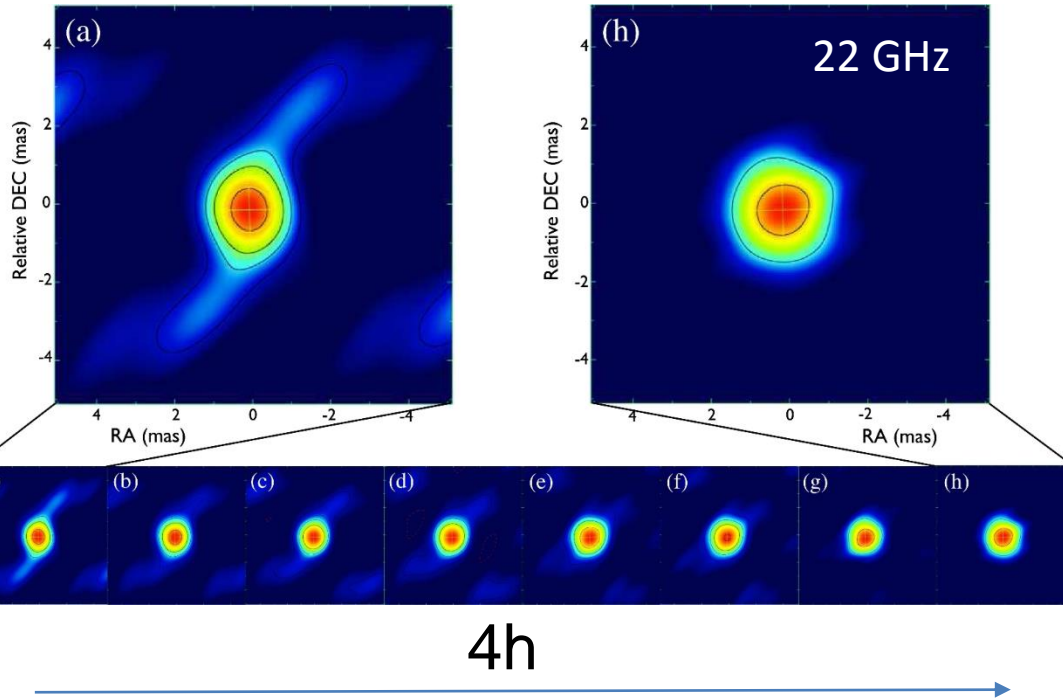
- Are the transient radio jets produced by internal shocks? (as in GRBs?)
- Disk-jet coupling also observed in QSOs (e.g. 3C 120 Marscher+ Nature 2002)



# $\gamma$ -RAY FLARES FROM THE $\mu$ QSO Cyg X-3

Detected by **FERMI & AGILE** when the compact source is behind the WR star

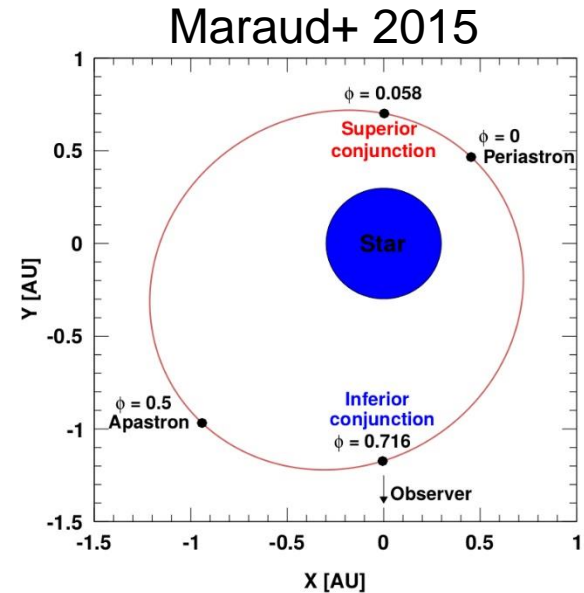
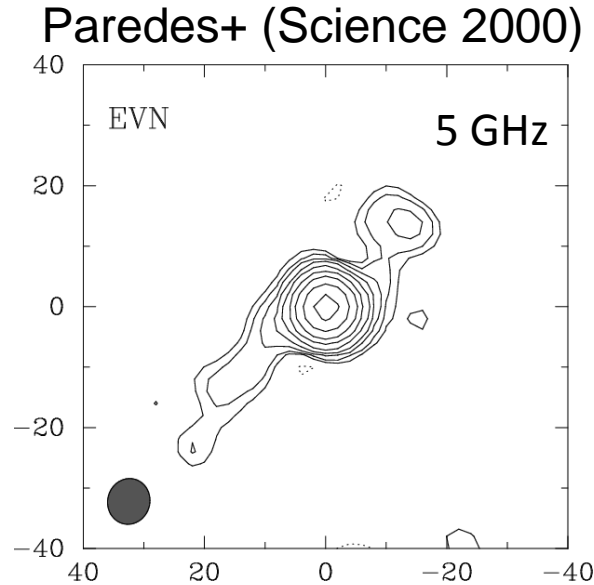
Egron et al. (2018, EVLBI)



- $\gamma$ -rays produced by inverse Compton on stellar UVs or by hadronic interactions, modulated with the orbital motion and geometry respect to the observer.
- The non-detection by MAGIC is probably due to absorption in the inner region of the binary (Aleksić+ 2010).

# LS 5039

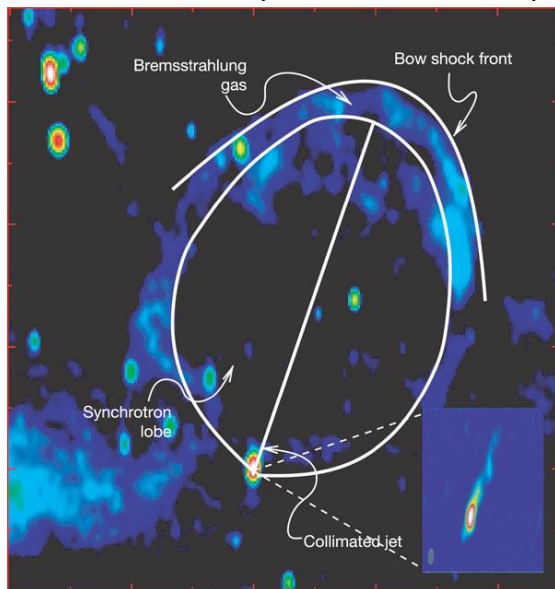
First “ $\mu$ QSQ” detected by EGRET (Paredes+ 2000) & HESS (Maraud+ 2015)



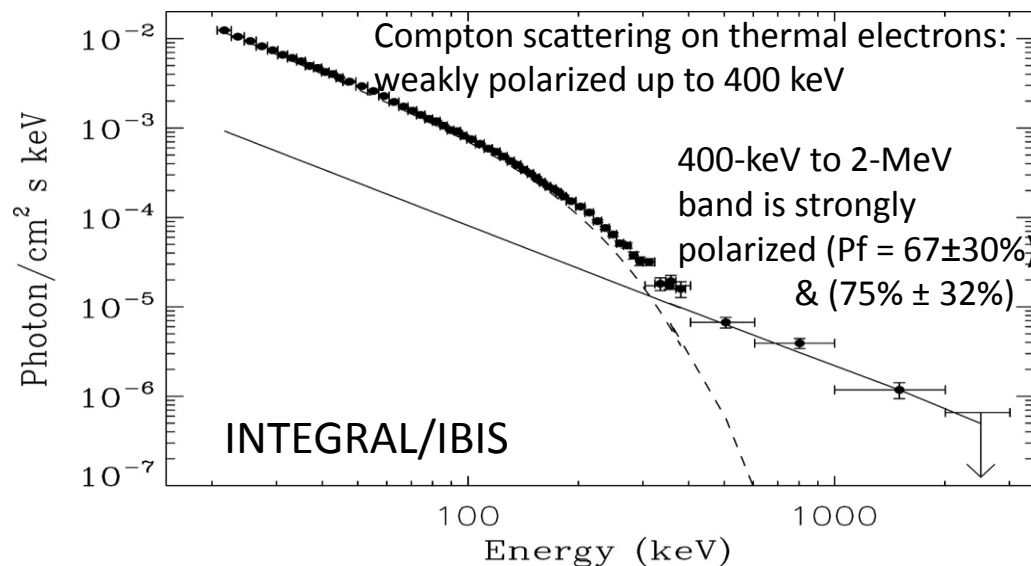
- A BH? of  $3.7 \pm 0.3 M_{\odot}$  orbiting a  $23 \pm 3 M_{\odot}$  star with a  $P \sim 4d$  (Casares+ 2005)
- The X-ray and very-high-energy (VHE,  $> 100$  GeV) fluxes display a maximum/minimum at inferior/superior conjunction, with spectra becoming respectively harder/softer, **a behavior that is completely reversed in the high-energy domain (HE,  $0.1 < E < 100$  GeV)...**(Maraud+ 2015)
- The GeV and TeV ( $0.1-10^4$  GeV) emission may be produced in different regions and/or by separate particle populations and physical mechanisms (Maraud+ 2015)

# Dark jet dominates the power output in the “radio quiet” $\mu$ QSO Cygnus X-1

Gallo et al. (Nature 2005)



Laurent+ (Science 2011) & Rodriguez+ (2015)

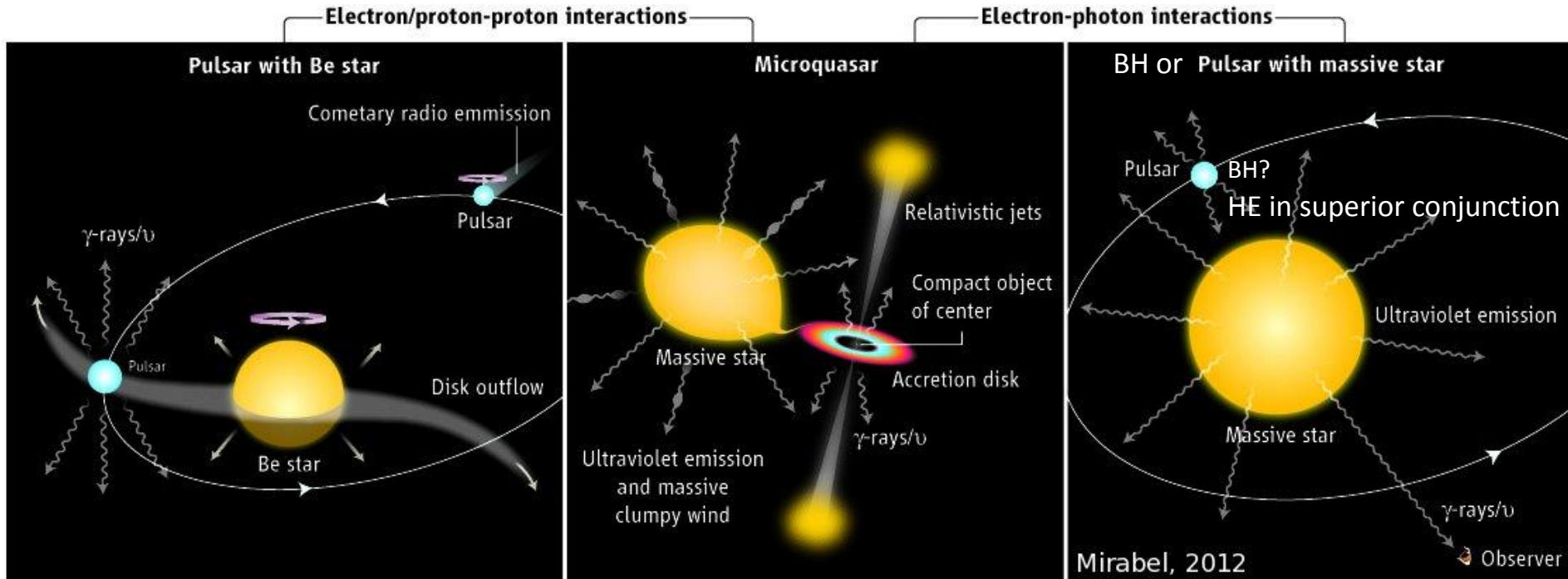


- One-sided compact jet in the low-hard X-ray state & a ring structure of 5 pc in diameter
- Cygnus X-1 dissipates the bulk of the accretion power in the form of ‘dark’, radioactively inefficient relativistic outflows, rather than locally in the X-ray emitting inflow.
- A MAGIC “hint” at  $4.1\sigma$  coincident with flares detected by *INTEGRAL*, *Swift*/BAT and *RXTE*-ASM (Albert+2007), was not observed in more extensive observations (Ahnen+ 2017)
- The 400-keV to 2-MeV emission is synchrotron or inverse Compton emission from the jet.

# COMPACT GAMMA-RAY BINARIES

Perspectives in Science (Mirabel 2006 & 2012)

HE,  $E > 100$  MeV & VHE,  $E > 100$  GeV PRODUCED BY LEPTONIC OR HADRONIC INTERACTIONS



Name	$\gamma$ -ray s	Sp Type
PSR B1259-63	HE, VHE	O9.5Ve
AGL J2241+4454	HE ?	B3 IV ne+sh
HESS J0632+057	VHE	B0 Vpe
LS I+61 (BH/NS?)	HE, VHE	B0 Ve

Name	$\gamma$ -ray s	Sp Type
Cyg X-3	HE	WNE([2,5])
	in superior conjunction	
Cyg X-1	HE?, VHE?	O7 V

Name	$\gamma$ -ray s	Sp Type
LS 5039	HE, VHE	O6.5 V((f))
1FGL J1018	HE, VHE?	O6 V((f))

- **MOST  $\gamma$ -RAY BINARIES ARE NSs AND BHs ORBITING MASSIVE STARS**
- **NOW THE PICTURE IS BECOMING MORE DIVERSE...**

# CONCLUSION

MOST  $\mu$ QSOs HAVE BEEN DETECTED AS  $\gamma$ -RAY SOURCES WHEN:

- 1) They are sources of powerful radio jets
- 2) The compact object often has a high-mass donor star with dense winds and/or strong radiation fields, Fermi & Integral detected HE in V404 Cyg
- 3) The compact object typically is near superior conjunction (not in LS 5039!)
- 4) The jet inclination angle relative to the line of sight is small (not in SS 433!)
- 5) HE and VHE emission may arise in the inner jet region or in external shock regions by leptonic and/or hadronic mechanisms
- 6) Do  $\mu$ blazar events take place in the MW? (e.g. V404 Cyg & V4641 Sgr)
- 7) Could very high energy neutrinos be detected from  $\mu$ blazars?

HE = 100 MeV - 10 GeV; VHE = 100 GeV - 100 TeV