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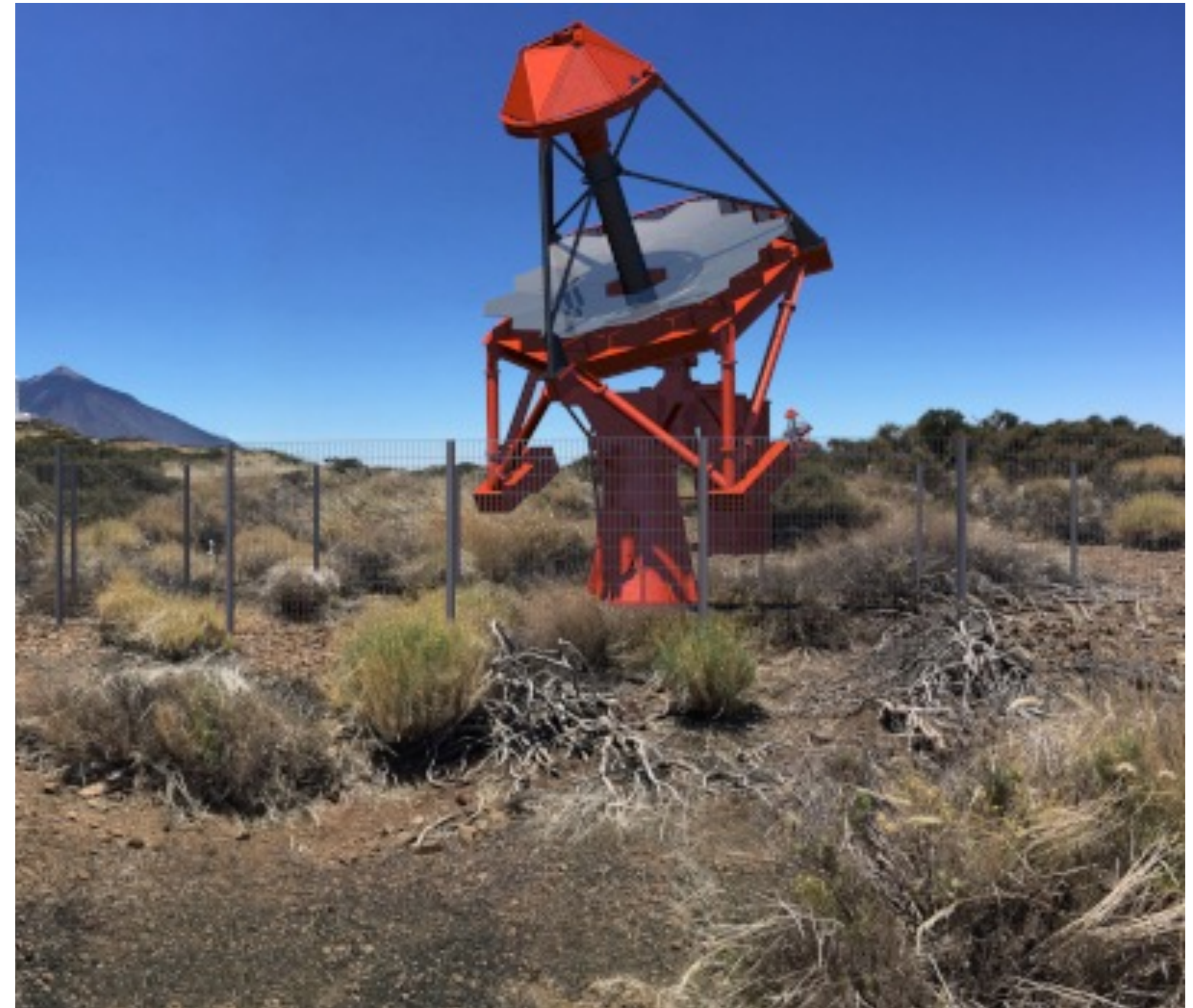
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# The ASTRI Mini-Array Project



**The ASTRI Mini-Array is a project whose purpose is to construct, deploy and operate an array of 9 Cherenkov telescopes of the 4 meters class at the Observatorio del Teide in Tenerife (Spain) in collaboration with IAC.**

More than 150 researchers belonging to

- **INAF institutes** (IASF-MI, IASF-PA, OAS, OACT, OAB, OAPD, OAR)
- **Italian Universities** (Uni-PG, Uni-PD, Uni-CT, Uni-GE, PoliMi) & **INFN**
- **Fundacion Galileo Galilei**
- **International institutions** (IAC - Spain, University of Sao Paulo – Brazil, North-West University – South Africa, IAC – Spain, Université / Observatoire de Geneve - CH).

Italian and foreign industrial companies are involved in the ASTRI Mini-Array project with important industrial return.

# The ASTRI Project



## ASTRI-Horn Prototype

INAF-led Project funded by Italian Ministry of Research

End-to-end prototype installed and operational on Mount Etna volcano (Sicily, Italy)

**First detection of a gamma-ray source** (Crab Nebula) above  $5\sigma$  **with a dual-mirror, Schwarzschild-Couder Chrenkov telescope** (Lombardi et al., 2020)



## Array of 9 ASTRI telescopes

INAF-led Project with international partners: Univ. of Sao Paulo/FPESP (Brazil), North-West Univ. (S. Africa), IAC (Spain), FGG, ASI/SSDC, Univ. of Padova, Perugia and INFN

**Being deployed at the *Observatorio del Teide*** (Spain) in collaboration with IAC and FGG-INAF.

**First 4 years → *Core Science***, following 4 → *Observatory Science*. **Science operation → 2024**



# ASTRI - Astrofisica con Specchi a Tecnologia Replicante Italiana

*Astrophysics with Mirrors via Italian Replication Technology*

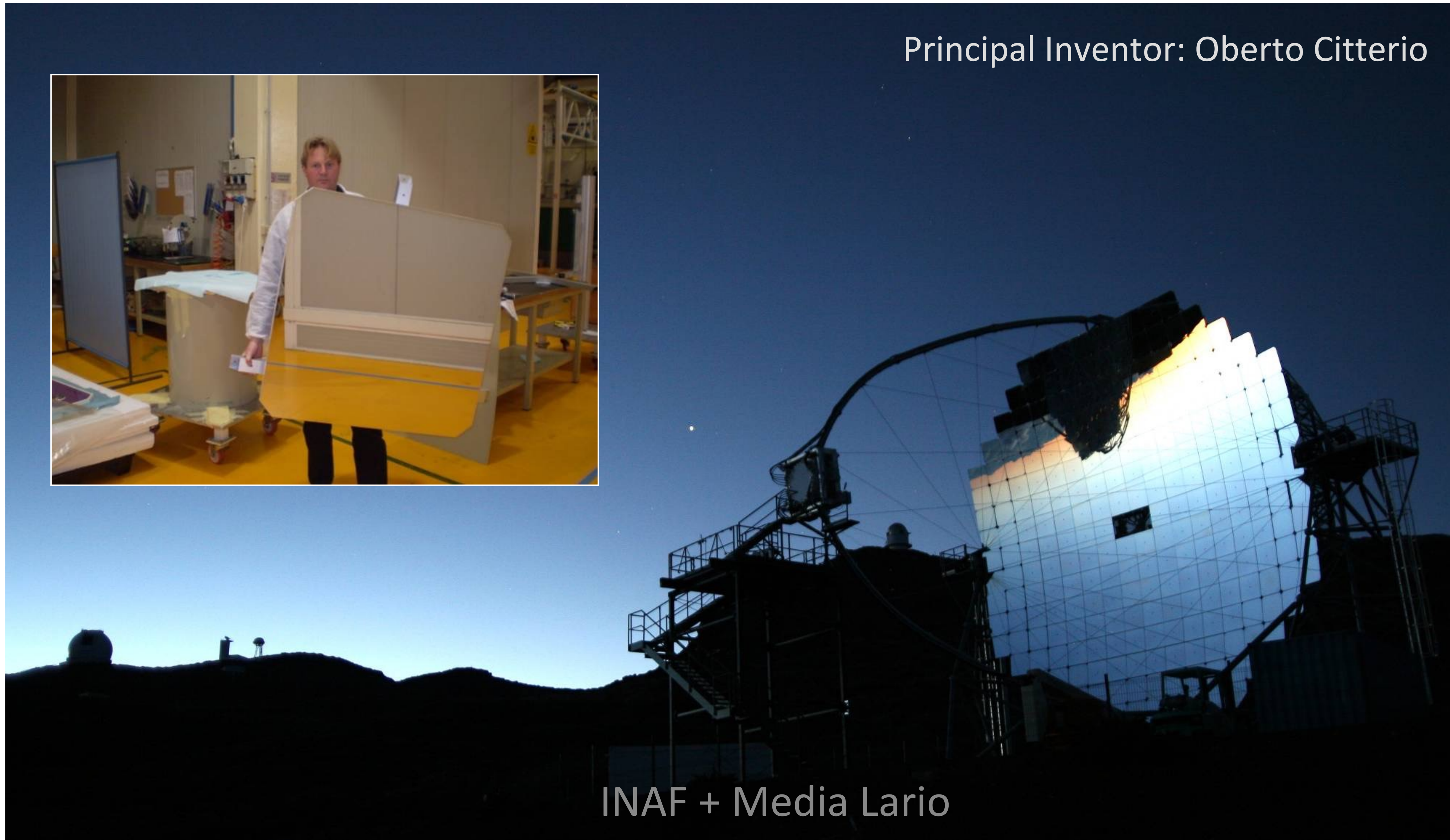
(No mirrors, no party!)

*Name given by Nanni Bignami*



# Adventure started with MAGIC II (2006)

Principal Inventor: Oberto Citterio



INAF + Media Lario

# The Schwarzschild Aplanatic Telescope

1905: Karl Schwarzschild solved the Seidel 's equations for **spherical** aberration and **coma** finding a relation between parameters capable to make a telescope **aplanatic**. (*Couder 1926* → *also correction of astigmatism with curved focal plane*)



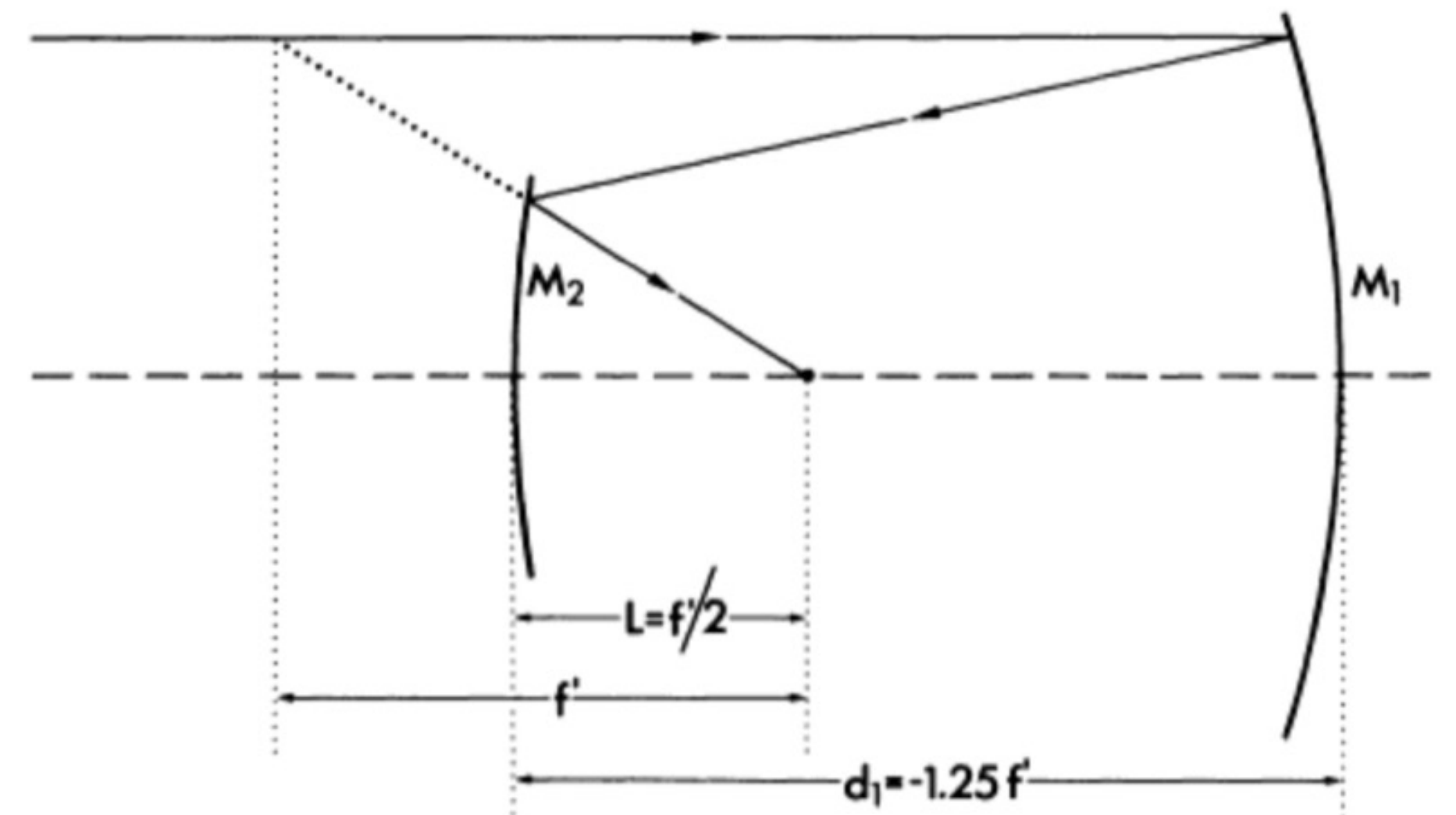
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*“For any geometry, 2 aspheric mirrors allow the correction of SI and SII to give an aplanatic telescope”*

## Schwarzschild telescope

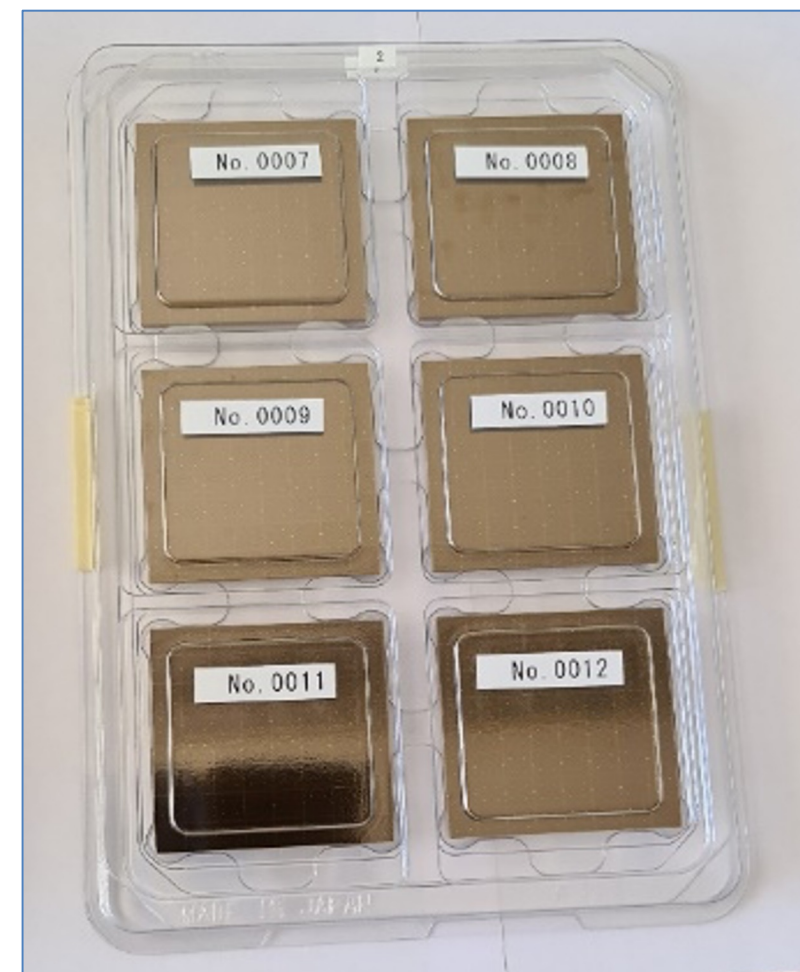


**KS: f/3.0**  
 $b_{S1} = -13.5$  (Hyperbola)  
 $b_{S2} = 1.963$  (Spheroid)  
FoV: 2.8 deg  
 $RMS_{edge} \sim 12''$

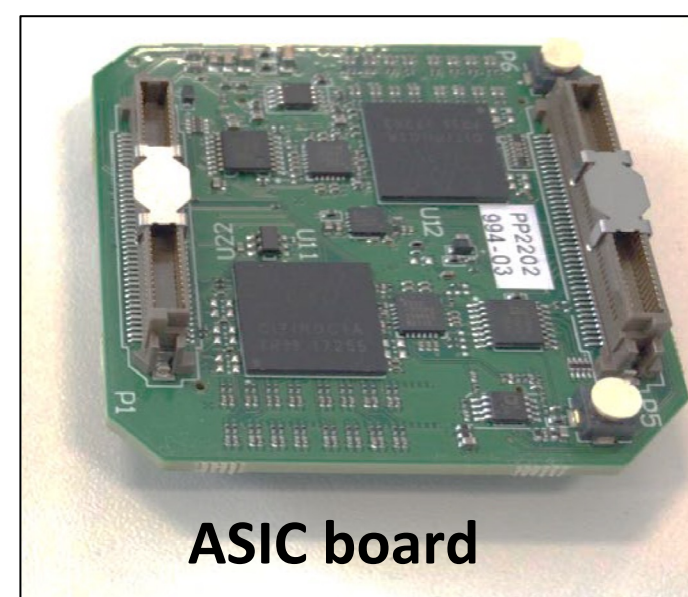


Technology challenge: Aspherical Optics manufacturing + large secondary mirror

# The ASTRI Camera



SiPM matrices



ASIC board

- The SiPM produced by Hamamatsu photonics ( $7 \times 7 \text{ mm}^2$ ) grouped in matrices of  $8 \times 8$  pixels
- 37 matrices are arranged to adapt to the curved focal plane of the telescope.
- innovative electronics for peak detection (CITIROC ASICs, WEEROC-INAF)  $\Rightarrow$  small amount of data
- Interferential filter as front window (Romeo et al. (2018) and Catalano et al. (2018)) that allows to reduce the contribution from the night sky background at wavelengths greater than 550 nm where the sensitivity of SiPM detector is still high.



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FIELD OF VIEW OF 10.5 Deg IN DIAMETER



24 September 2014



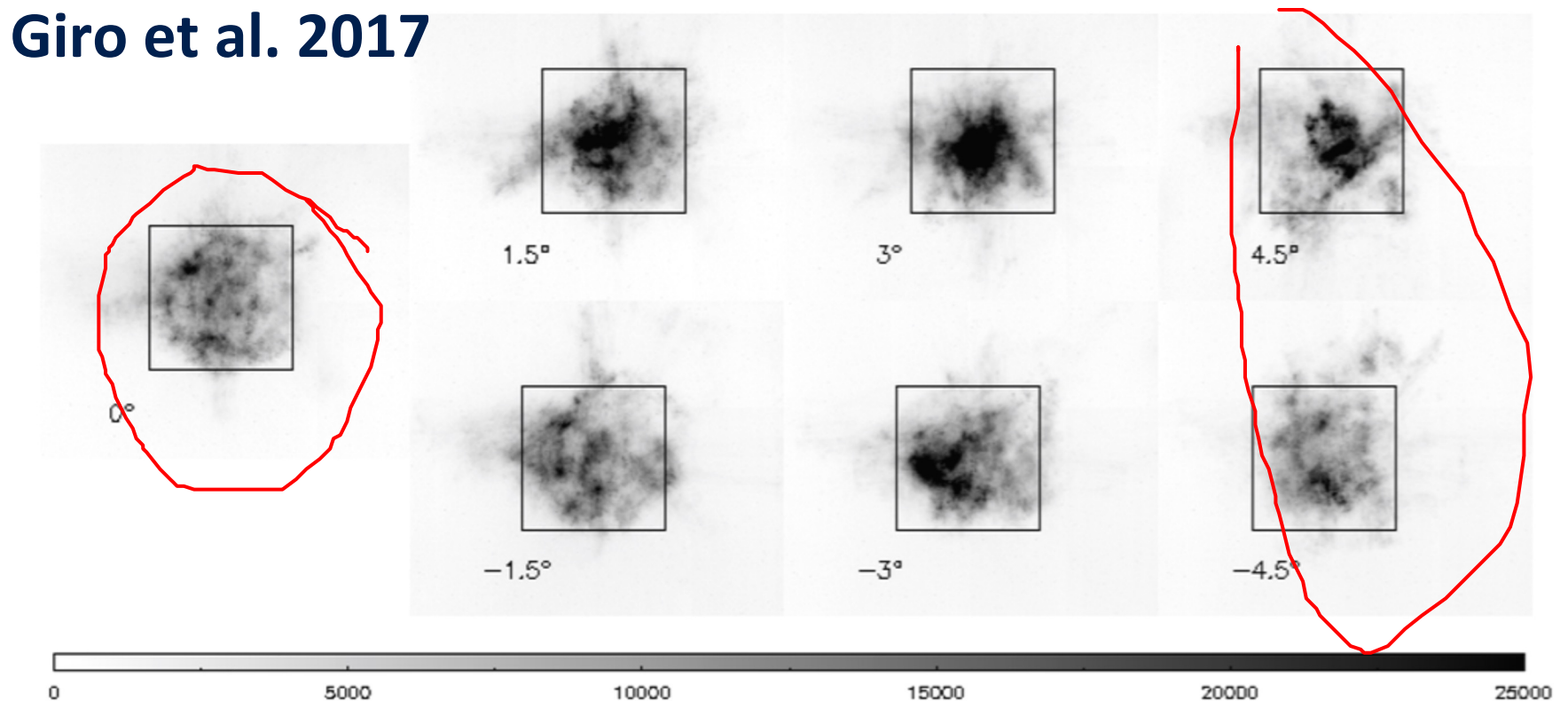
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## First optical validation of a Schwarzschild Couder telescope: the ASTRI SST-2M Cherenkov telescope

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Giro et al. 2017

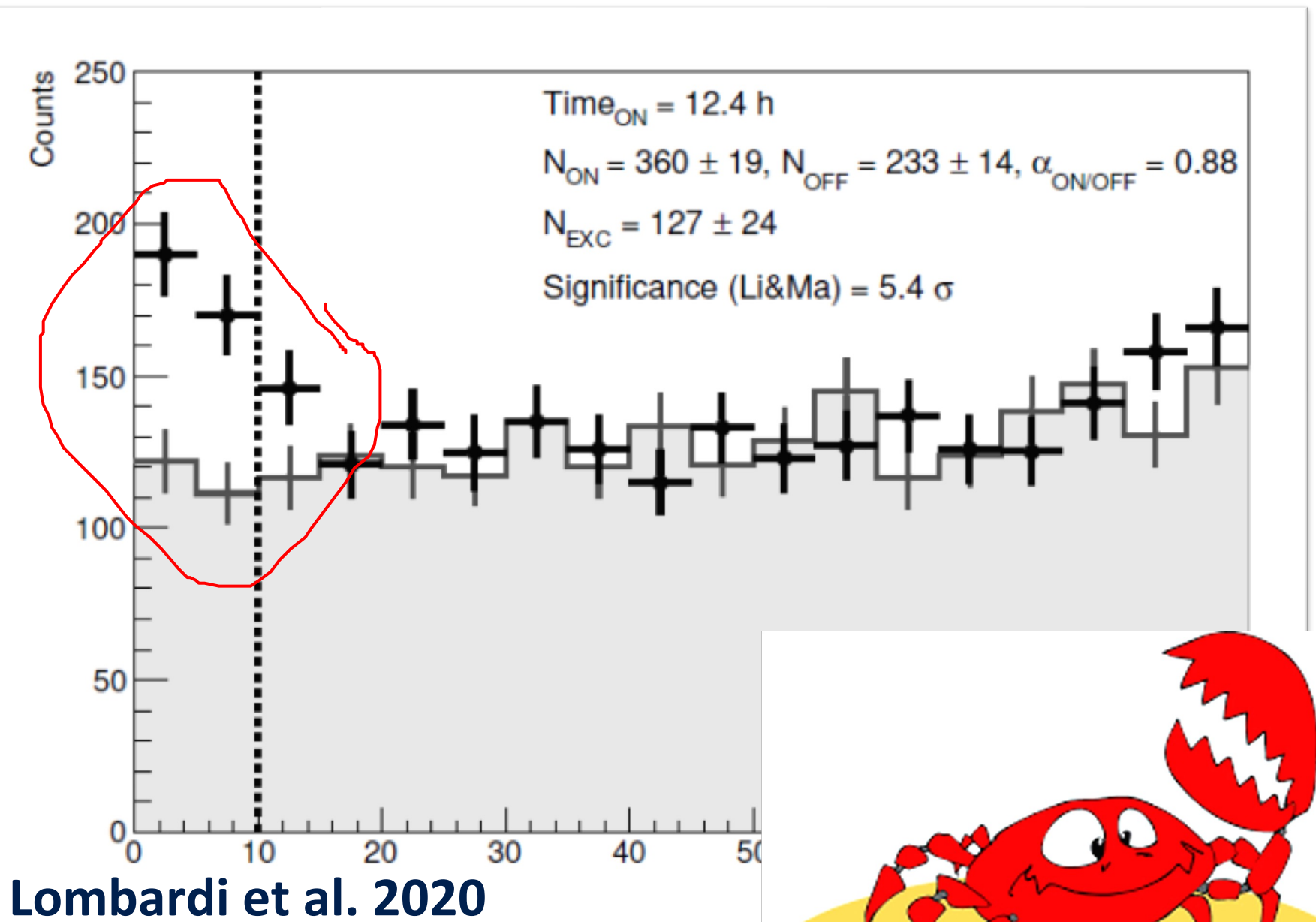


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## First detection of the Crab Nebula at TeV energies with a Cherenkov telescope in a dual-mirror Schwarzschild-Couder configuration: the ASTRI-Horn telescope

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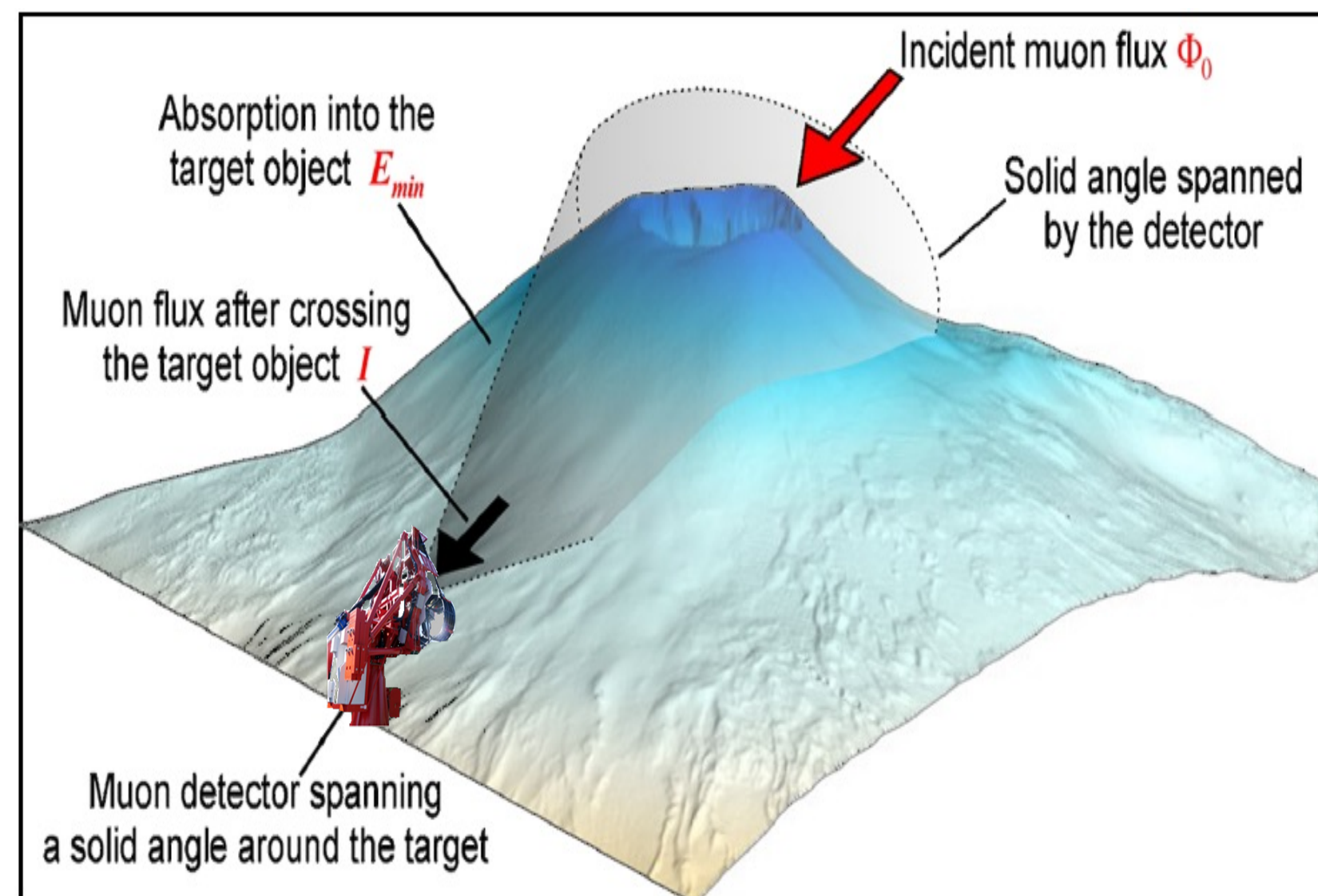
Lombardi et al. 2020



# “Muongraphy” with ASTRI-Horn

The feasibility of muography is currently being investigated with ASTRI Horn exploiting the fortunate coincidence of the proximity of the telescope to the ETNA volcano.

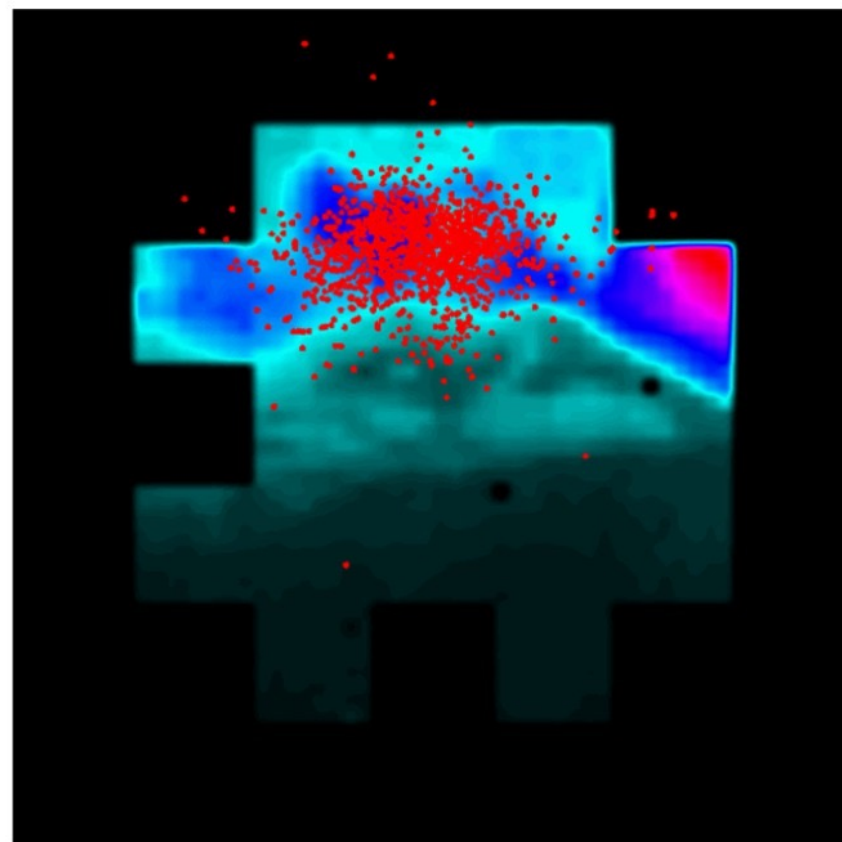
The quantitative understanding of the inner structure of a massive target, as a volcano, is a key-point to monitor the stages of the volcano activity, to forecast the eruptive style and mitigate volcanic hazards.



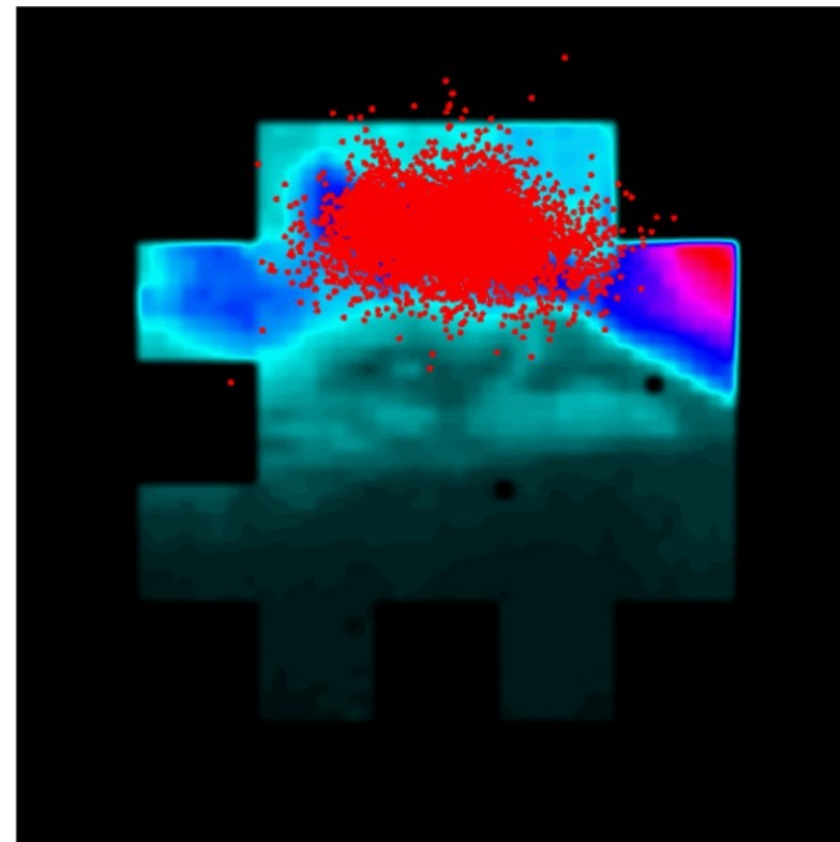
Fracastoro observatory - Serra la Nave (Monte Etna) : Altitude 1735 m a.s.l.  
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# “Muongraphy” with ASTRI-Horn

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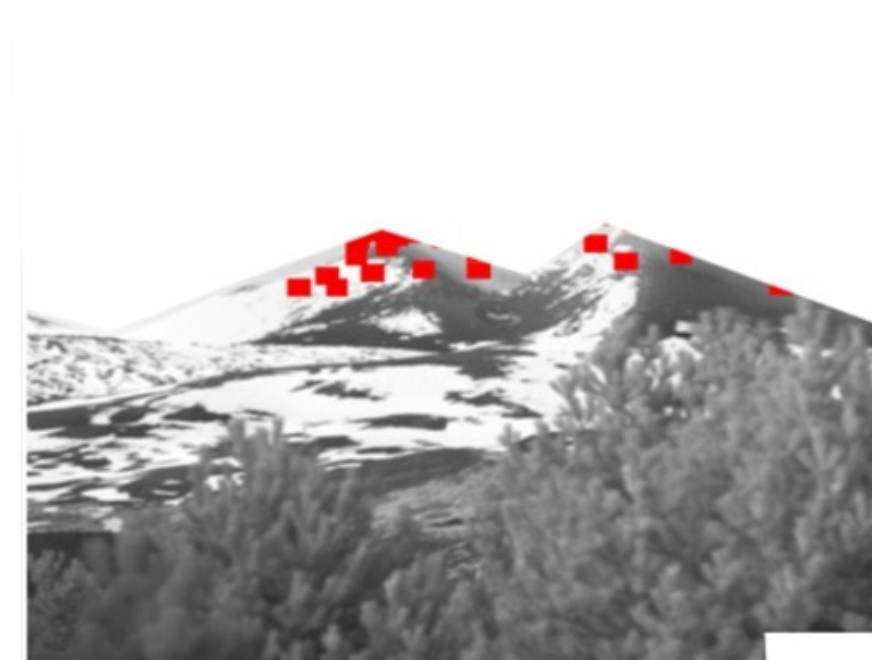


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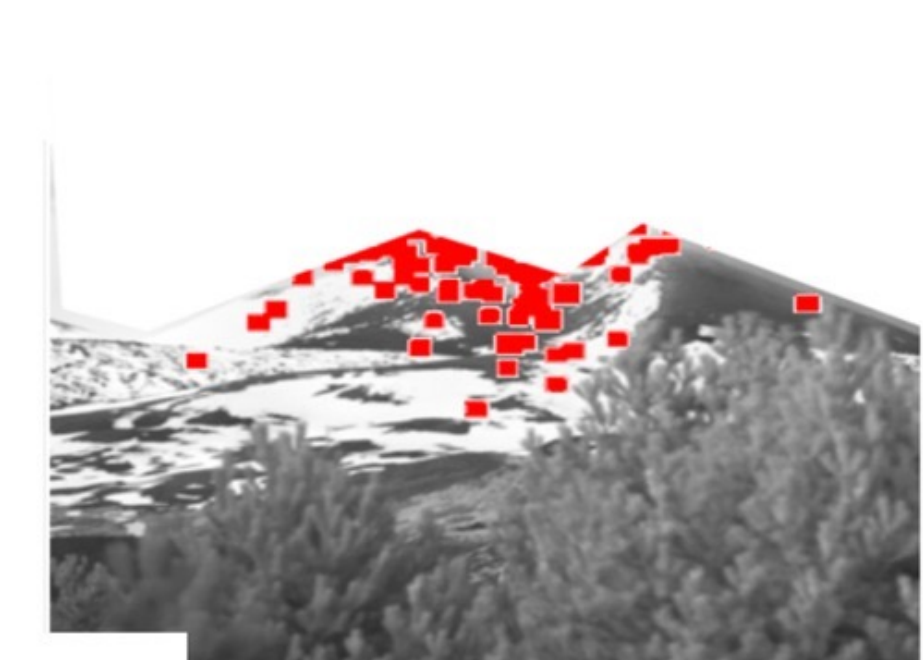
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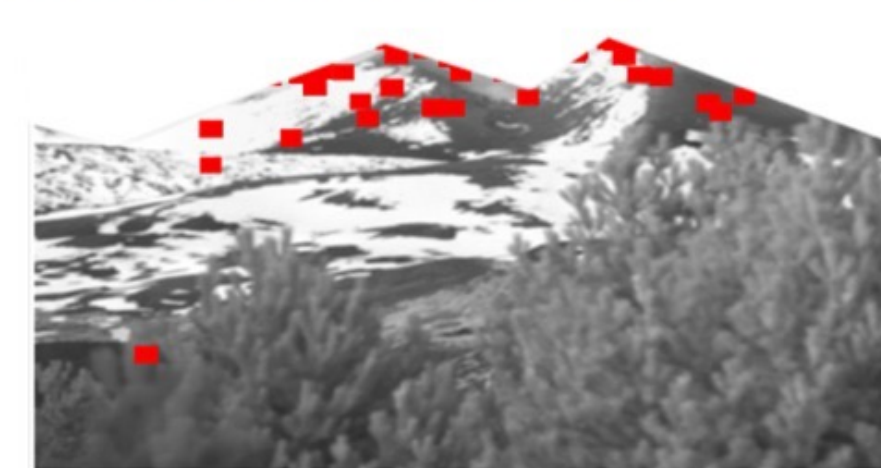
Open sky muons  
are masked

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**PRELIMINARY**

# The ASTRI mini-array @Teide: the adventure starting!



**12 June 2019**

## **ASTRI: a new pathfinder of the arrays of Cherenkov telescopes**

On June 12nd 2019, in La Laguna (Tenerife, Spain) Prof. Nichi D'Amico, President of the Italian National Institute for Astrophysics (INAF), and Prof. Rafael Rebolo Lopez, Director of the Instituto de Astrofísica de Canarias, signed a Record of Understanding to enter a detailed negotiation on a technical and programmatic basis aimed to install and operate the ASTRI Mini-Array at the Observatorio del Teide

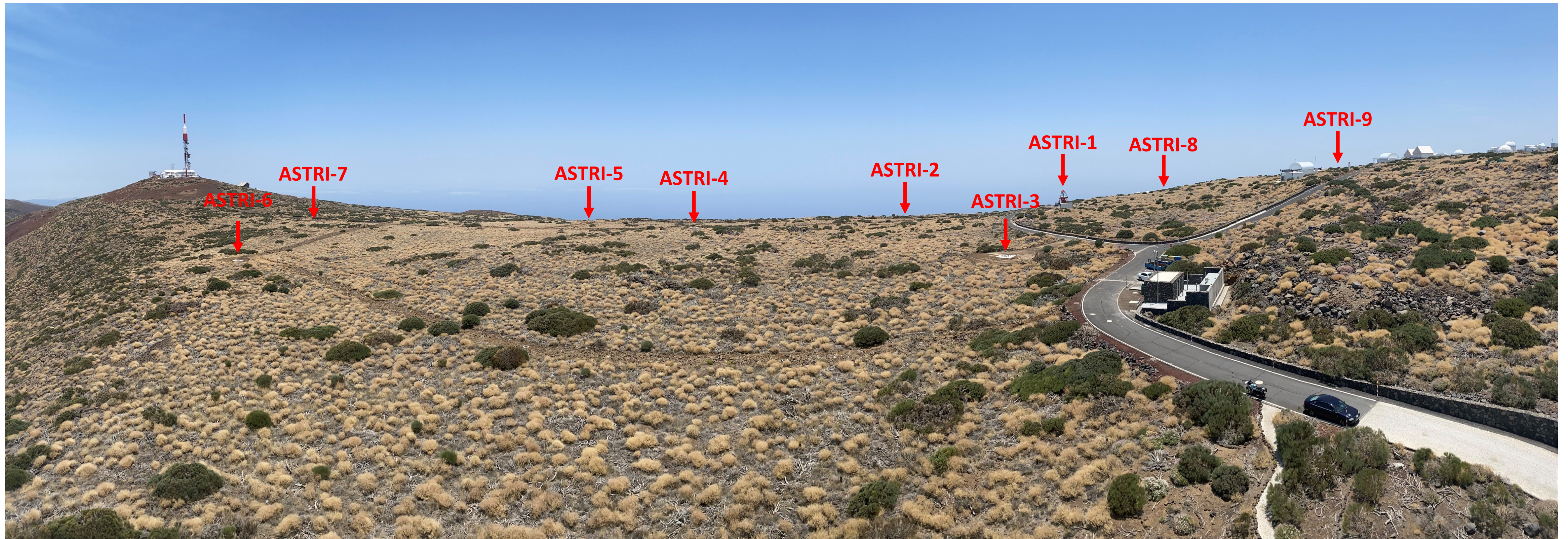


*INAF and IAC Representatives on the Teide Observatory site*

# The ASTRI Mini-Array @ the Teide observatory



# The ASTRI Mini-Array @ Teide Observatory

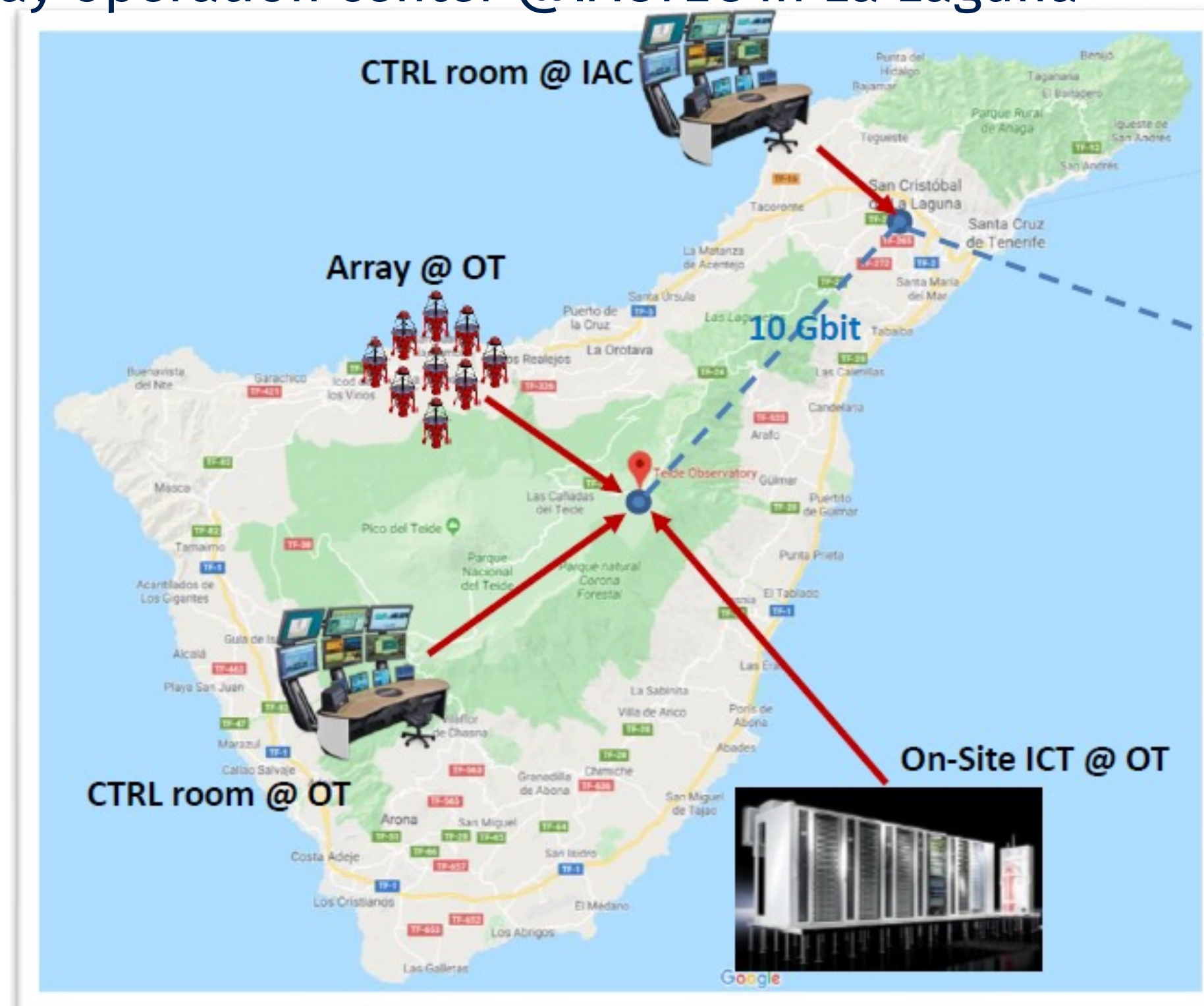


View from Themis Telescope

# The ASTRI Mini-Array locations

## The ASTRI Mini-Array in Tenerife

- Telescope Array & auxiliaries (Observatorio del Teide - OT)
- Local Control Room @THEMIS building (OT)
- On site Data Centre @IAC Residencia (OT)
- Array operation center @IACTEC in La Laguna



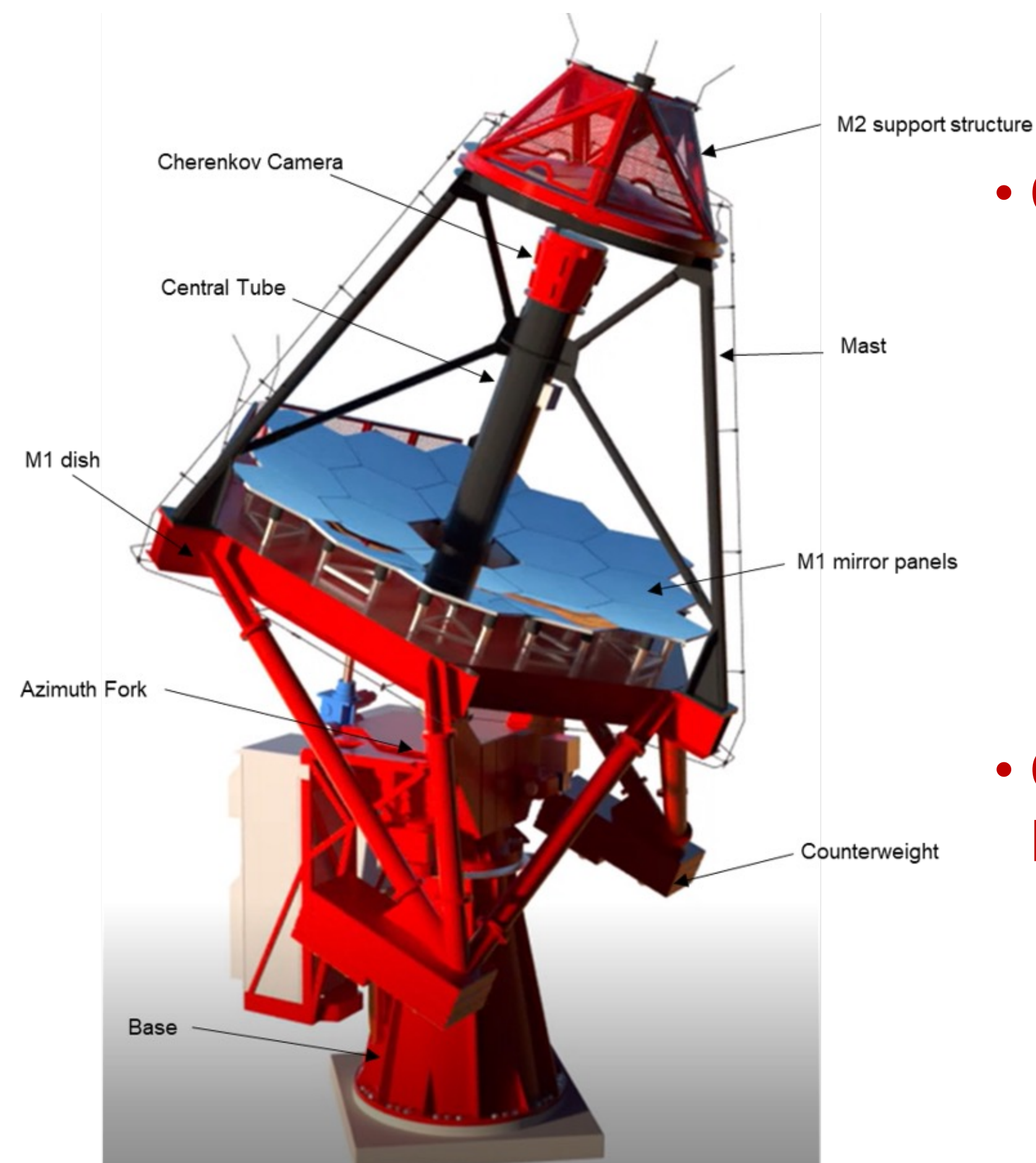
## The ASTRI Mini-Array in Italy

- Data Centre in Rome
- Remote Array operation centers





# ASTRI Mini-Array telescopes in a nutshell

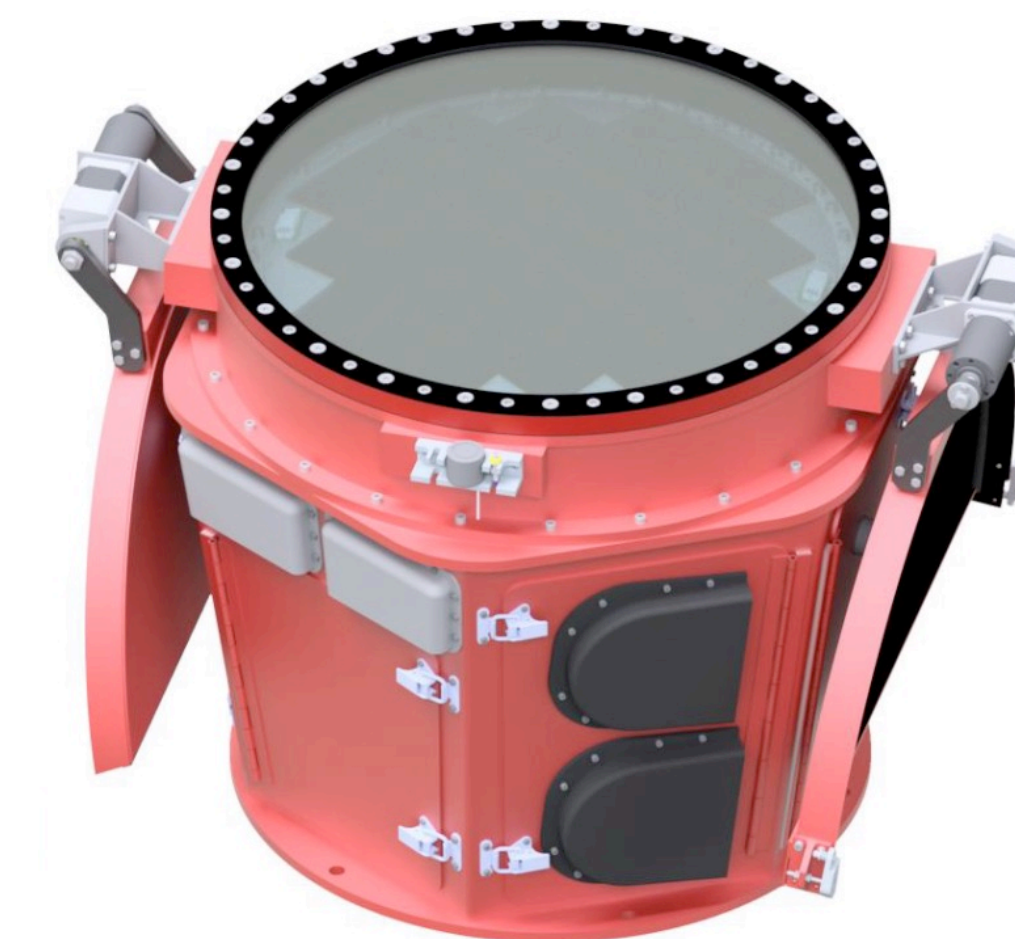


- **Opto-mechanics (EIE, MLT, Flabeg, ZAOT)**

- Alt-azimuthal mount
- Modified Schwarzschild-Couder configuration
- Primary Mirror: 4.3 m (18 segments)
- Secondary Mirror: 1.8 m (monolithic)
- F-number: 0.5
- Average effective area  $> 5.0 \text{ m}^2$
- Optical PSF  $\leq 0.19 \text{ deg}$
- Post calibration pointing precision  $\leq 7 \text{ arcsec}$

- **Cherenkov Camera (CAEN, EIE, NI, Hamamatsu, Weeroc)**

- Front-end electronics based on CITIROC-1A ASIC
- SiPM sensors: 7x7 mm (series LV3 – 75  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel size)
- 2368 pixels (37 matrices of 8x8 pixels)
- Filter Window with dielectric coating
- Angular pixel size: 0.19 deg
- Field of View: 10.5 deg



# The ASTRI Mini-Array – Performance

	ASTRI Mini-Array	MAGIC	VERITAS	H.E.S.S.	HAWC	LHAASO
<b>Location</b>	28° 18' 04'' N 16° 30' 38'' W	28° 45' 22'' N 17° 53' 30'' W	31° 40' 30'' N 110° 57' 7.8'' W	23° 16' 18'' S 16° 30' 00'' E	18° 59' 41'' N 97° 18' 27'' W	29° 21' 31'' N 100° 08' 15'' E
<b>Altitude [m]</b>	2,390	2,396	1,268	1,800	4,100	4,410
<b>FoV</b>	~ 10°	~ 3.5°	~ 3.5°	~ 5°	2 sr	2 sr
<b>Angular Res.</b>	0.05° (30 TeV)	0.07° (1 TeV)	0.07° (1 TeV)	0.06° (1 TeV)	0.15° <sup>(a)</sup> (10 TeV)	(0.24–0.32) <sup>(b)</sup> (100 TeV)
<b>Energy Res.</b>	12% (10 TeV)	16% (1 TeV)	17% (1 TeV)	15% (1 TeV)	30% (10 TeV)	(13–36)% (100 TeV) <sup>(b)</sup>
<b>Energy Range</b>	(0.3–200) TeV	(0.05–20) TeV	(0.08–30) TeV	(0.02–30) TeV <sup>(c)</sup>	(0.1–100) TeV	(0.1–1,000) TeV

## Sensitivity: better than current IACTs ( $E \gtrsim 3$ TeV)

Extended spectrum and cut-off constraints

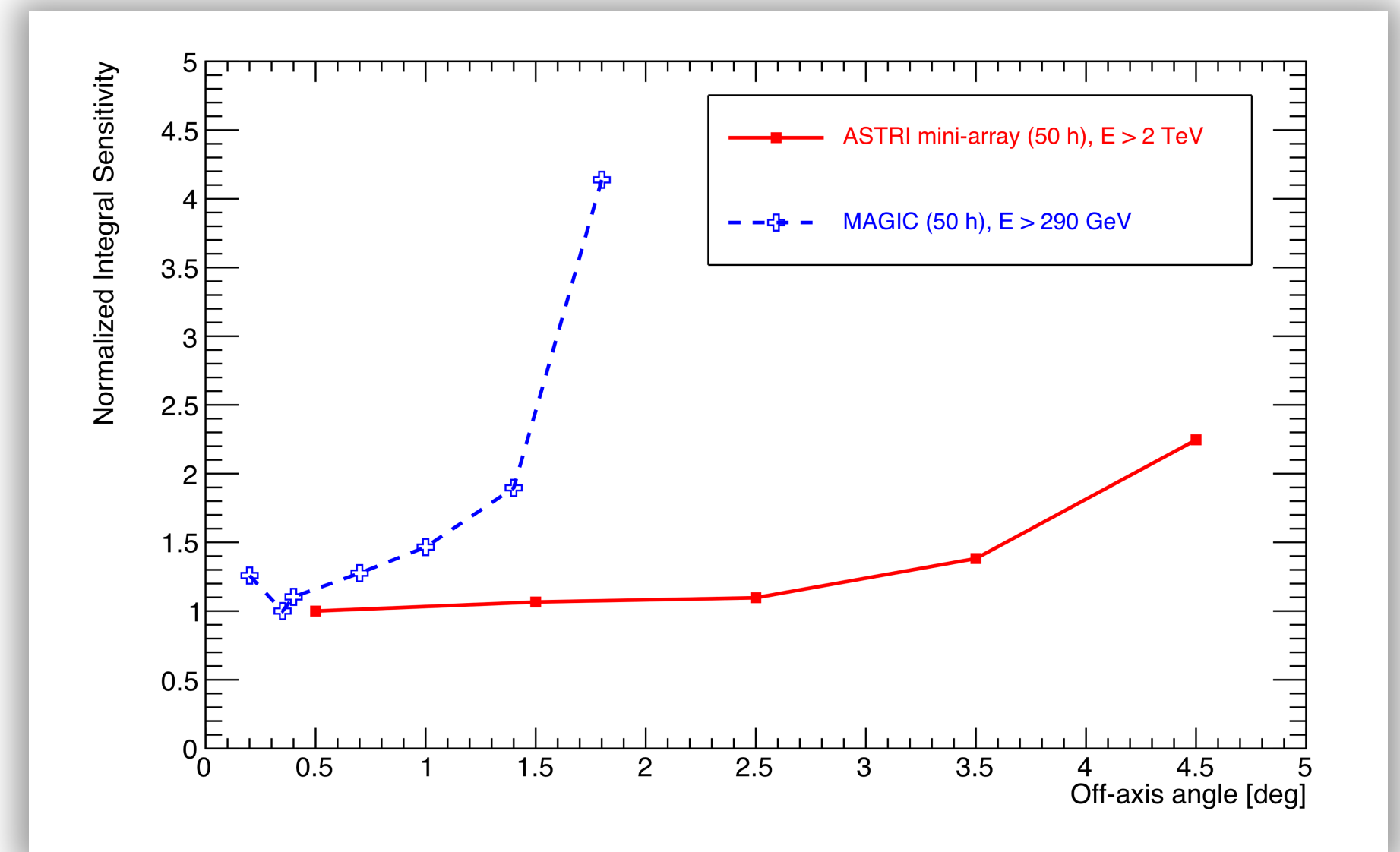
## Energy/Angular resolution: ~10% / ~0.05° (E = 10 TeV)

Identify and characterize extended sources morphology

## 10.5° field of view with homogeneous off-axis performance

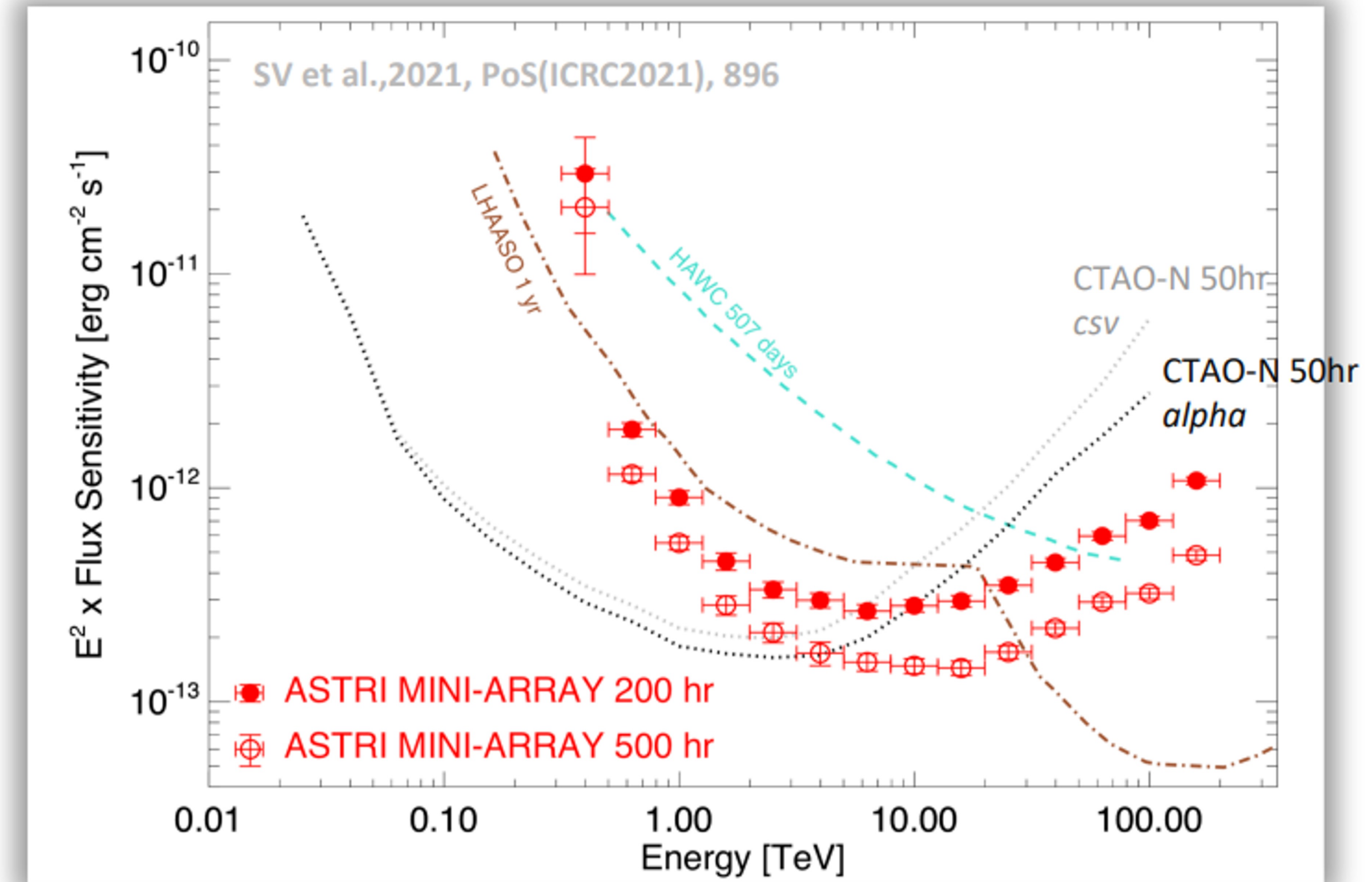
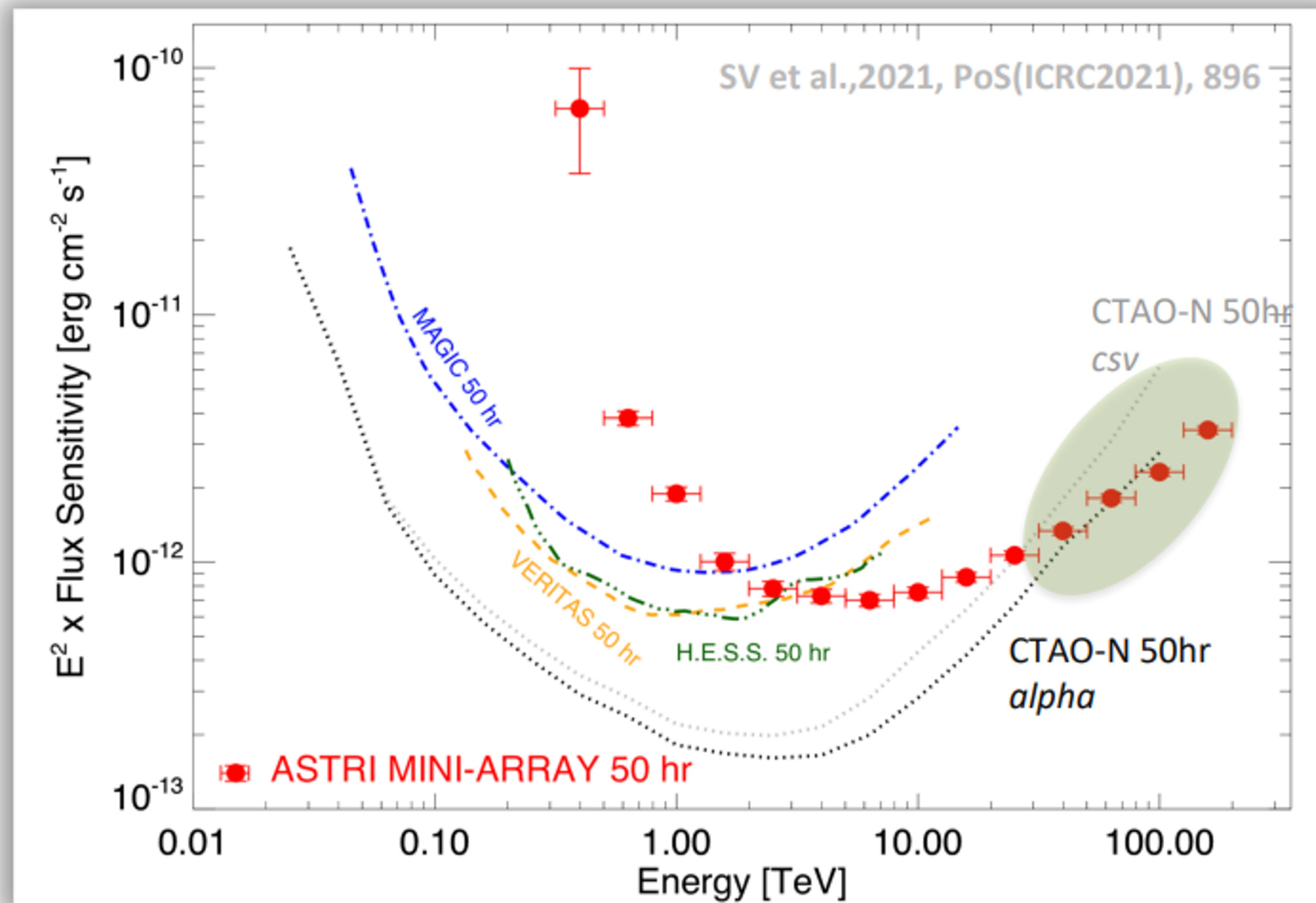
Multi-target fields, surveys, and extended sources

Enhanced chance for serendipitous discoveries



# The ASTRI Mini-Array – Performance

- We extend current IACTs **differential sensitivity up to several tens of TeV and beyond**
- Investigate possible spectral features at VHE, such as the presence of **spectral cut-offs** or the detection of emission at several tens of TeV expected from **Galactic PeVatrons**



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## The ASTRI Mini-Array of Cherenkov telescopes at the Observatorio del Teide

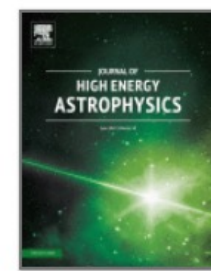
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## ASTRI Mini-Array core science at the Observatorio del Teide

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## Galactic observatory science with the ASTRI Mini-Array at the Observatorio del Teide

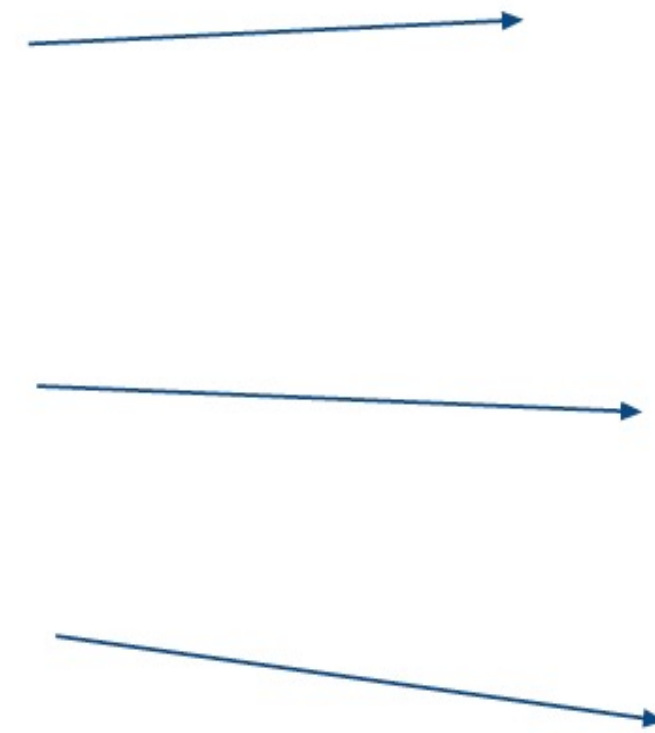
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# “Pillar” Sources *(just an example)*

from Vercellone et al.

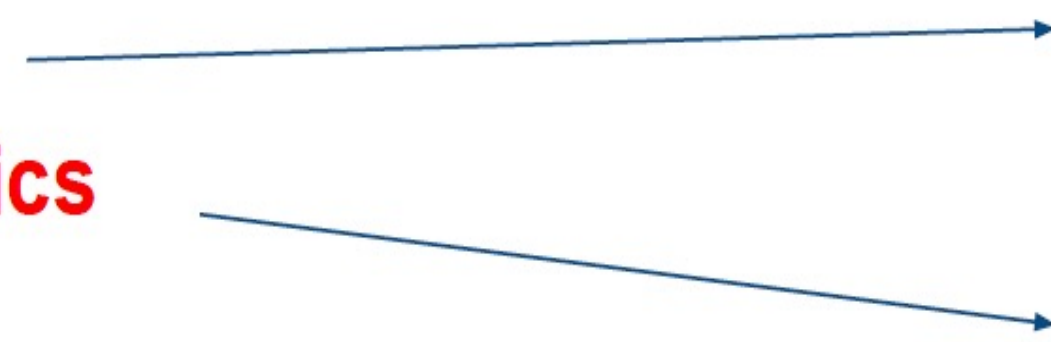
## Pillar 1 Origin of CRs

- PeVatrons
- CRs Propagation
- Pulsar Wind Nebulae

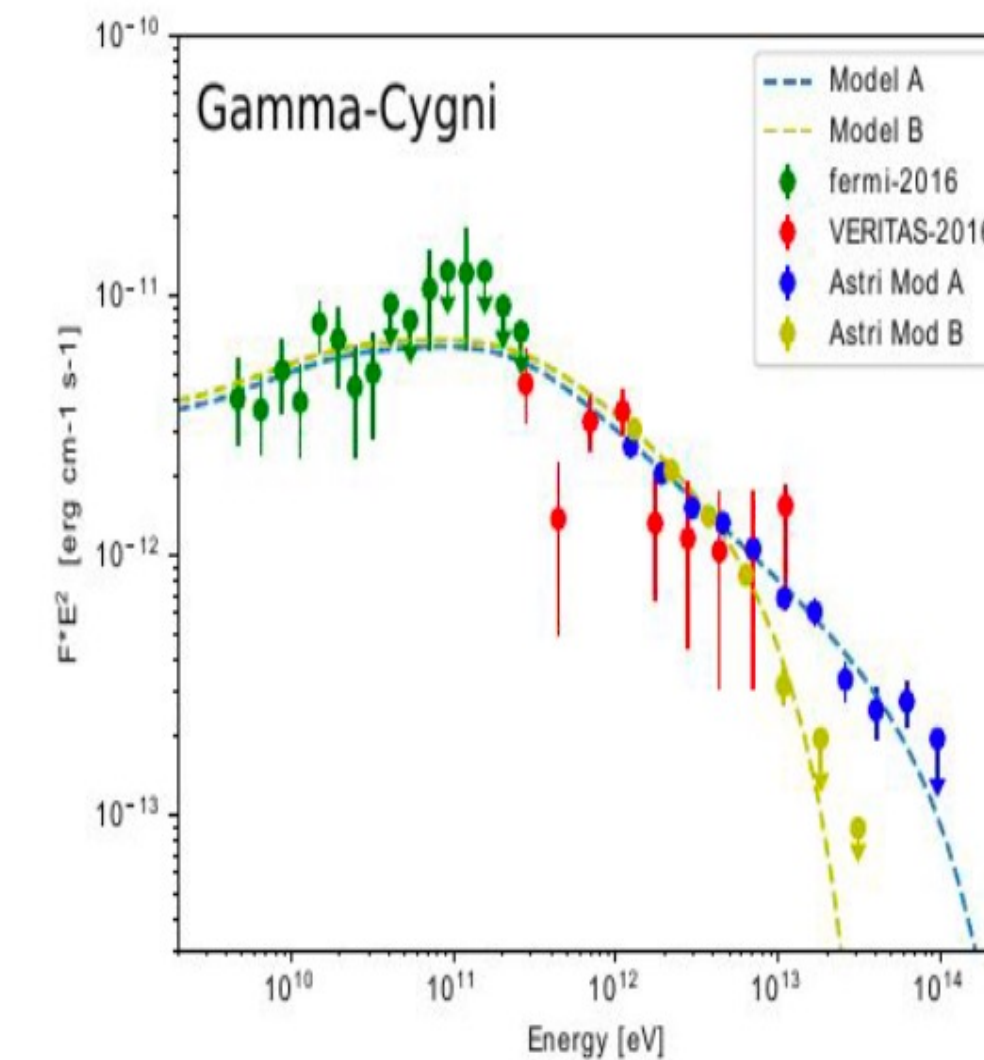


Name	Type
Tycho Snr	SNR
Gal. Center	Diffuse
VER J1907	SNR+PWN
G106.3+2.7	SNR
$\gamma$ -Cygni	SNR
W28	SNR/MC
M82	Starburst
Crab	PWN
Geminga	PWN

## Pillar 2 Cosmology and Fund. Physics



IC 310	Radio gal
M87	Radio gal
Mkn 501	Blazar
1ES 0229+200	Blazar

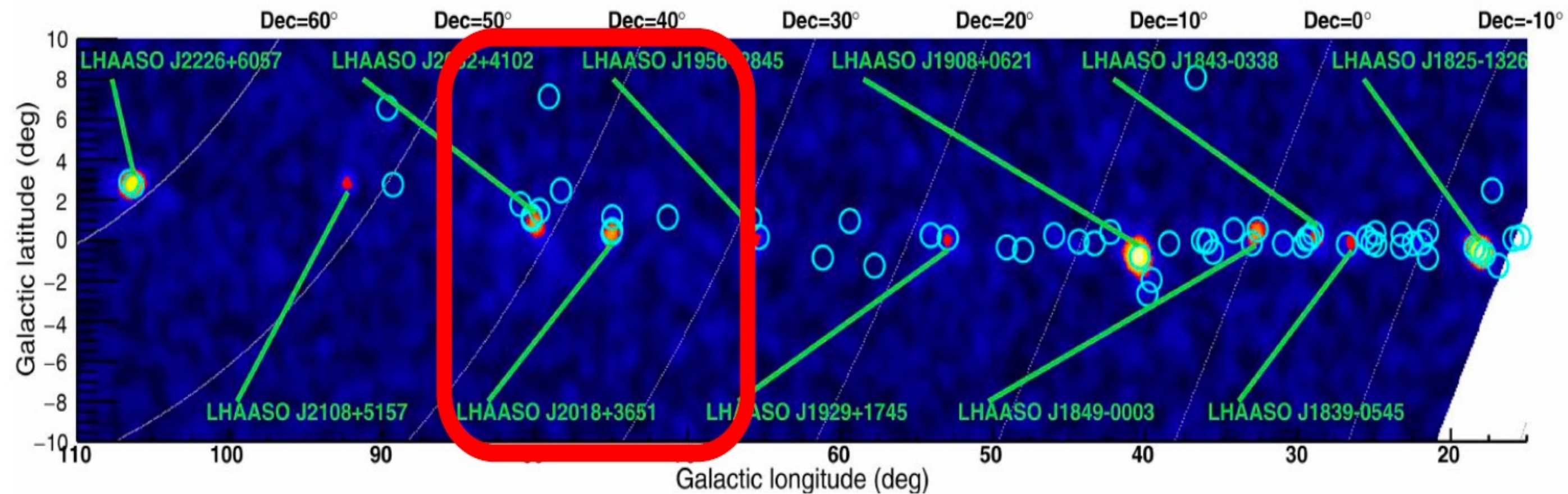


**Figure 15:**  $\gamma$ -ray spectrum of  $\gamma$ -Cygni. Data are from Fermi-LAT and VERITAS while theoretical models A and B (described in the text) are showed with dashed curves. Blue and yellow dots show the ASTRI Mini-Array simulations for model A and B, respectively, for 500 hr of exposure.

# LHAASO Sources : Cygnus Region

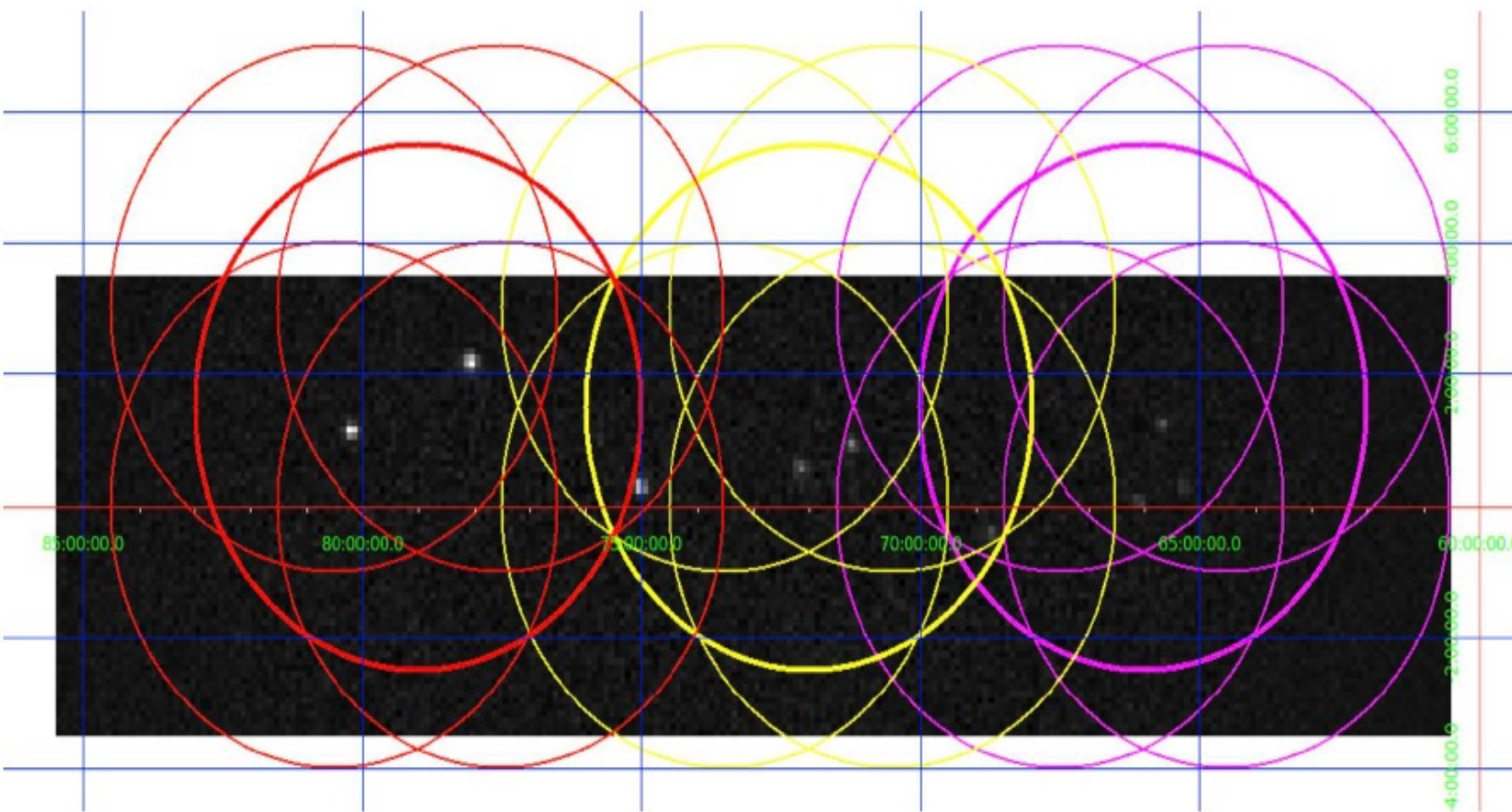
Source name	RA (°)	dec. (°)	Significance above 100 TeV ( $\times\sigma$ )	$E_{\max}$ (PeV)	Flux at 100 TeV (CU)
LHAASO J0534+2202	83.55	22.05	17.8	$0.88 \pm 0.11$	1.00(0.14)
LHAASO J1825-1326	276.45	-13.45	16.4	$0.42 \pm 0.16$	3.57(0.52)
LHAASO J1839-0545	279.95	-5.75	7.7	$0.21 \pm 0.05$	0.70(0.18)
LHAASO J1843-0338	280.75	-3.65	8.5	$0.26 - 0.10^{+0.16}$	0.73(0.17)
LHAASO J1849-0003	282.35	-0.05	10.4	$0.35 \pm 0.07$	0.74(0.15)
LHAASO J1908+0621	287.05	6.35	17.2	$0.44 \pm 0.05$	1.36(0.18)
LHAASO J1929+1745	292.25	17.75	7.4	$0.71 - 0.07^{+0.16}$	0.38(0.09)
LHAASO J1956+2845	299.05	28.75	7.4	$0.42 \pm 0.03$	0.41(0.09)
LHAASO J2018+3651	304.75	36.85	10.4	$0.27 \pm 0.02$	0.50(0.10)
LHAASO J2032+4102	308.05	41.05	10.5	$1.42 \pm 0.13$	0.54(0.10)
LHAASO J2108+5157	317.15	51.95	8.3	$0.43 \pm 0.05$	0.38(0.09)
LHAASO J2226+6057	336.75	60.95	13.6	$0.57 \pm 0.19$	1.05(0.16)

Celestial coordinates (RA, dec.); statistical significance of detection above 100 TeV (calculated using a point-like template for the Crab Nebula and LHAASO J2108+5157 and 0.3° extension templates for the other sources); the corresponding differential photon fluxes at 100 TeV; and detected highest photon energies. Errors are estimated as the boundary values of the area that contains  $\pm 34.14\%$  of events with respect to the most probable value of the event distribution. In most cases, the distribution is a Gaussian and the error is  $1\sigma$ .



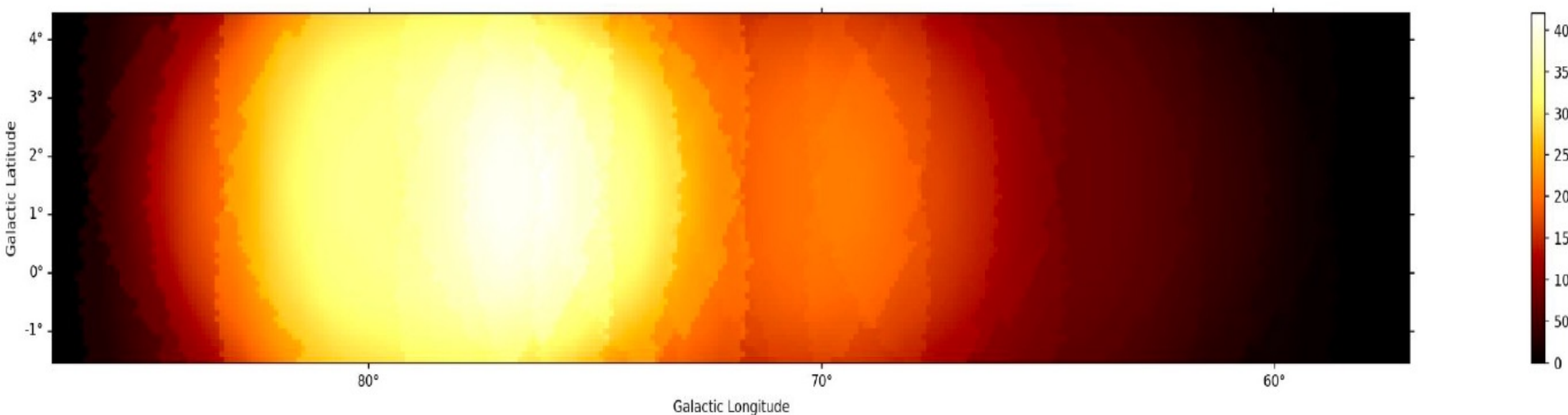
Cao et al., 2021

# The data challenge of the Cygnus region

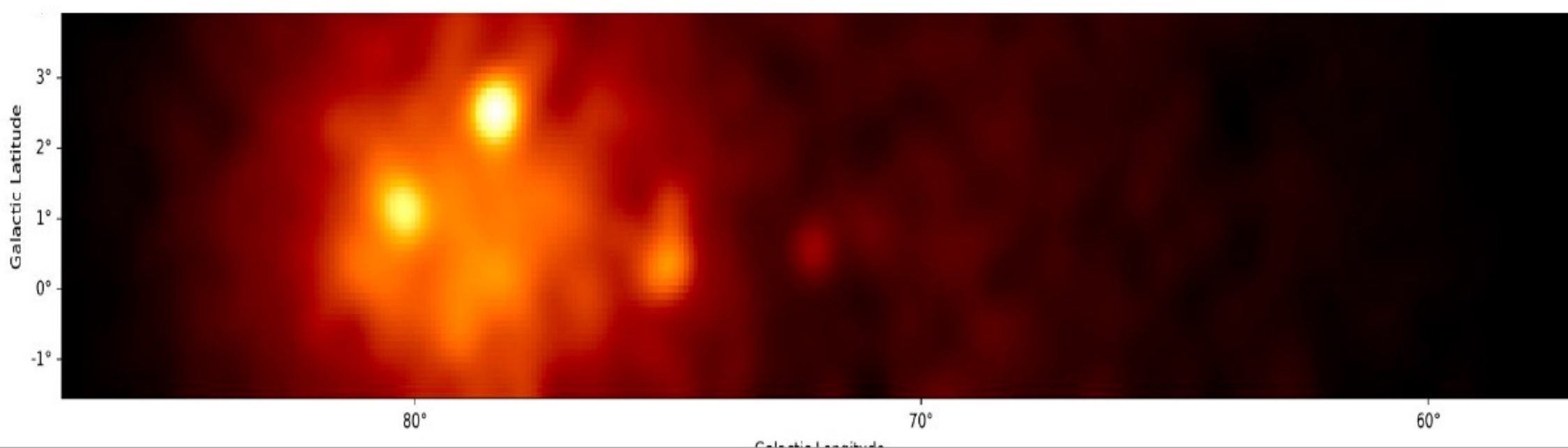


*We simulated a survey of the Cygnus region, adopting 15 pointing positions along the Galactic longitude in the [60-85 deg] range.*

*All the known sources (eg from 3rd HAWC catalogue + LHAASO) and the Galactic diffuse component (from Gaggero et al.) were simulated.*

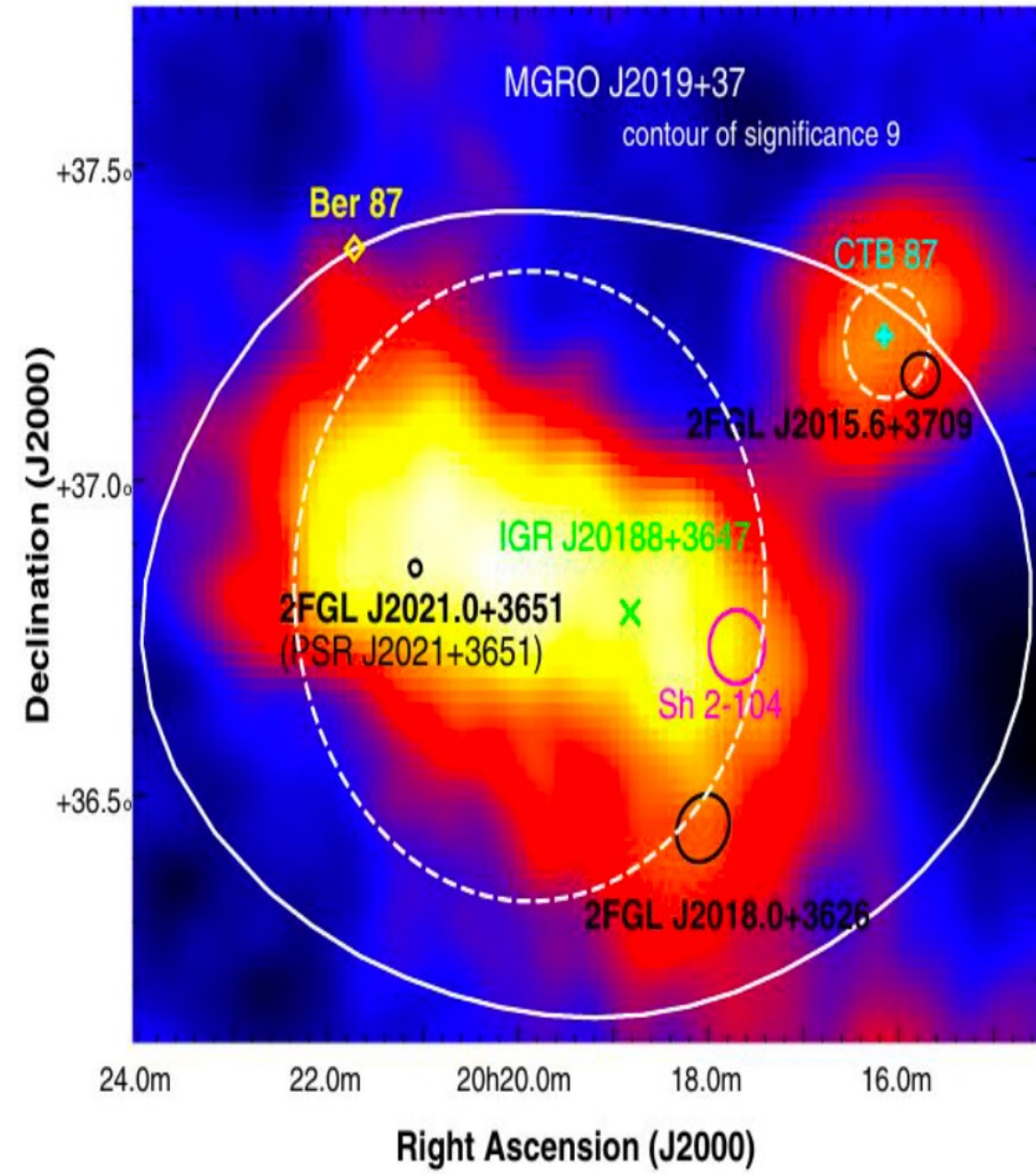


*Background map of the region,  
brightness indicates regions of higher **exposure***

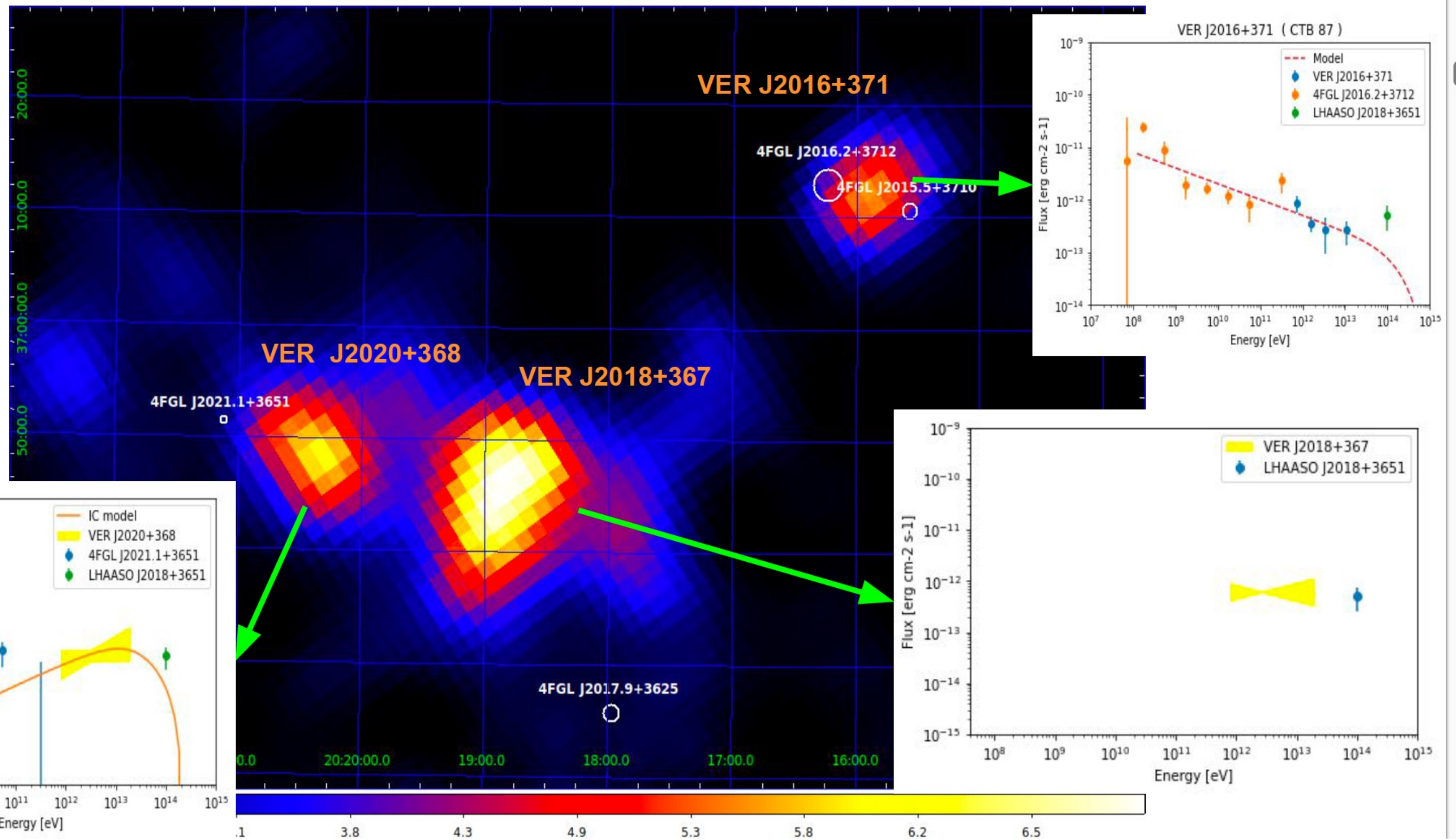


*Excess map of the region,  
brighter points indicate **source or diffuse emission***

# Cygnus/J2018+3651 region



## VERITAS Cygnus Region Survey - Abeysekara et al. 2018



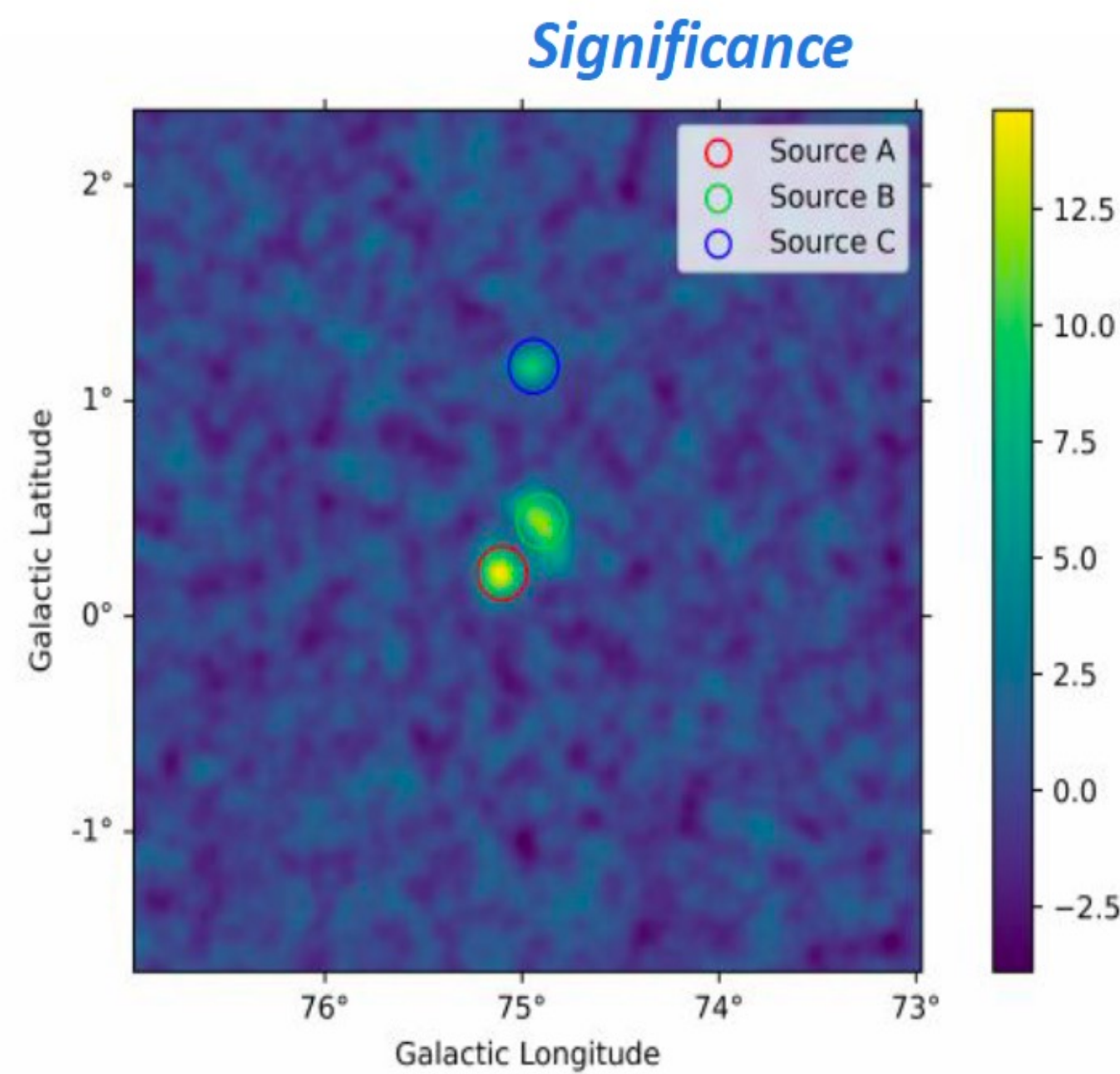
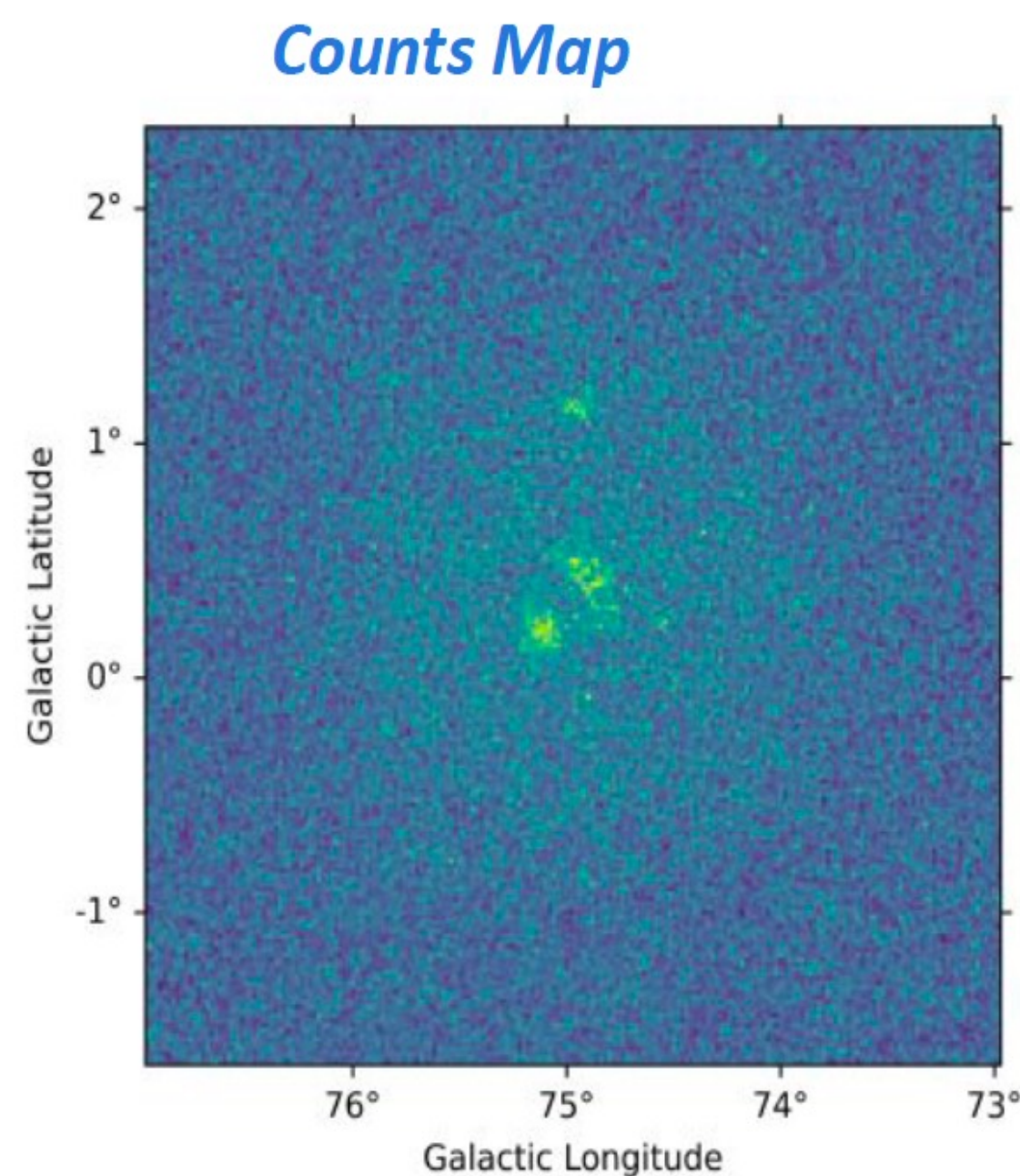
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# LHAASO J2018+3651 with ASTRI-MA

ASTRI M.A. observations  
Exposure : 200 hrs

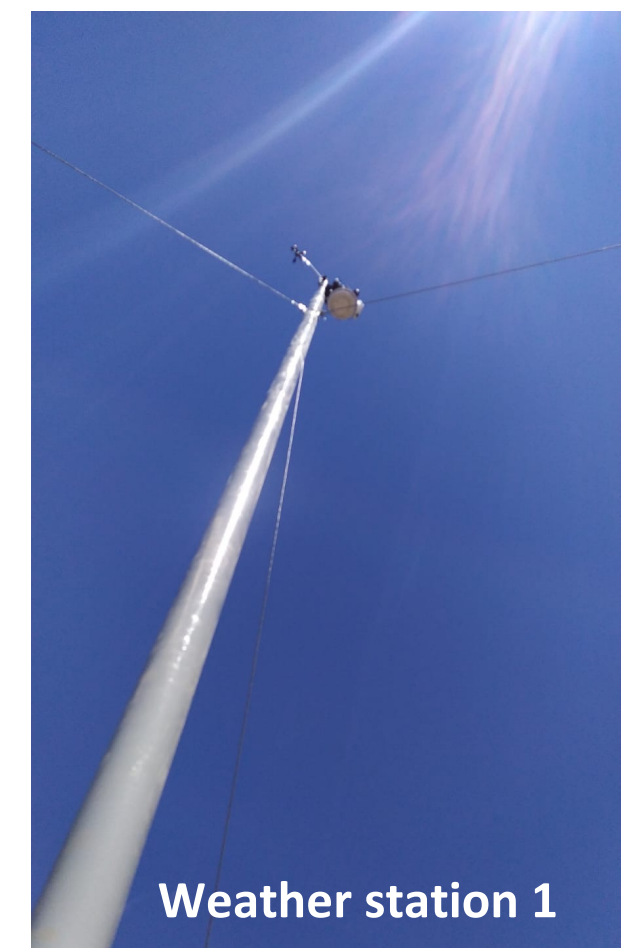
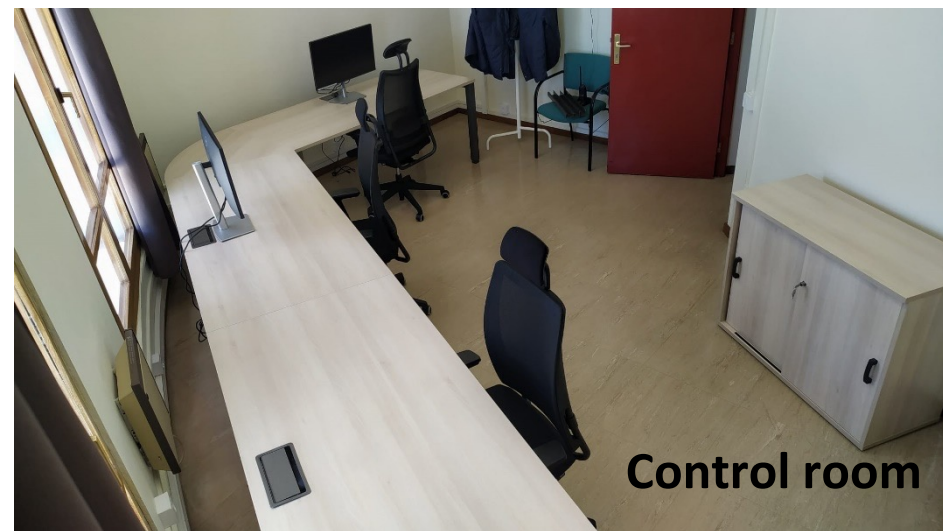
Spectral Parameters			
Name	$N_0$	$\Gamma$	$\lambda$
Source A	$(4.6 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-15}$	$1.8 \pm 0.04$	$0.01 \pm 0.004$
Source B	$(3.9 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-15}$	$1.8 \pm 0.06$	$0.004 \pm 0.002$
Source C	$(9.0 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-16}$	$2.5 \pm 0.09$	-
Spatial Parameters			
Name	l	b	$\sigma$
Source A	$75.11 \pm 0.02$	$0.2 \pm 0.008$	$0.056 \pm 0.005$
Source B	$74.89 \pm 0.02$	$0.44 \pm 0.009$	$0.04 \pm 0.003$
Source C	$74.95 \pm 0.01$	$1.18 \pm 0.009$	$0.02 \pm 0.008$



**PRELIMINARY**

Source	l	b	TS
	deg	deg	
Source A	305.09	36.80	214
Source B	304.70	36.77	147
Source C	303.99	37.21	90

# The ASTRI Mini-Array @ the Teide observatory



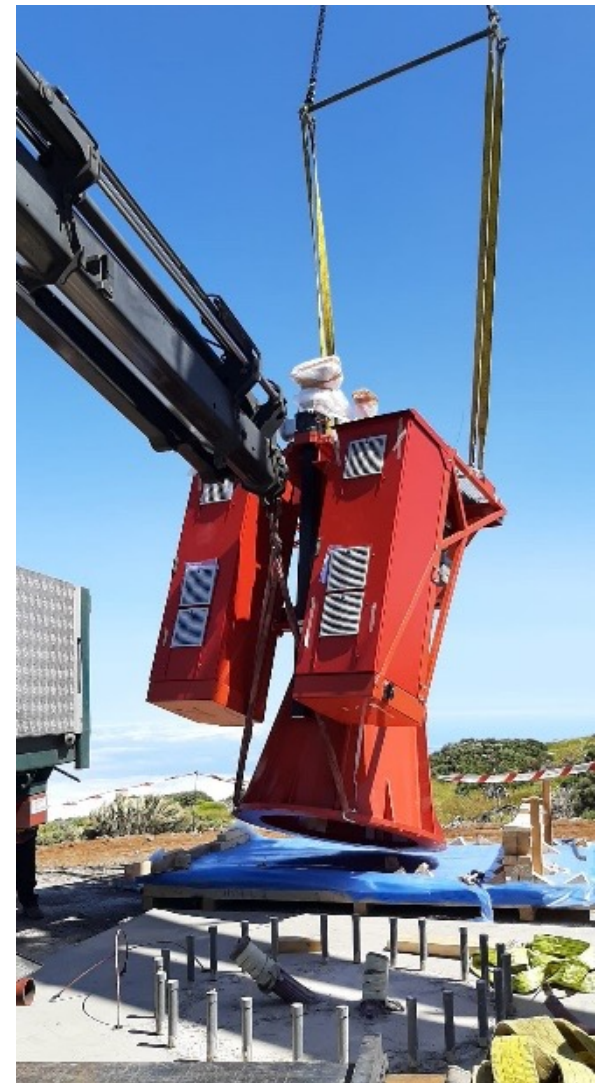
# Infrastructure



**Infrastructure delivery:  
18<sup>th</sup> of November 2022**



# ASTRI-1 on site integration



Telescope integration takes 3-4 weeks (working days) including:

- Base grouting 2-3 days
- M1 panels integration 2 days
- M2 mirror integration 2 days

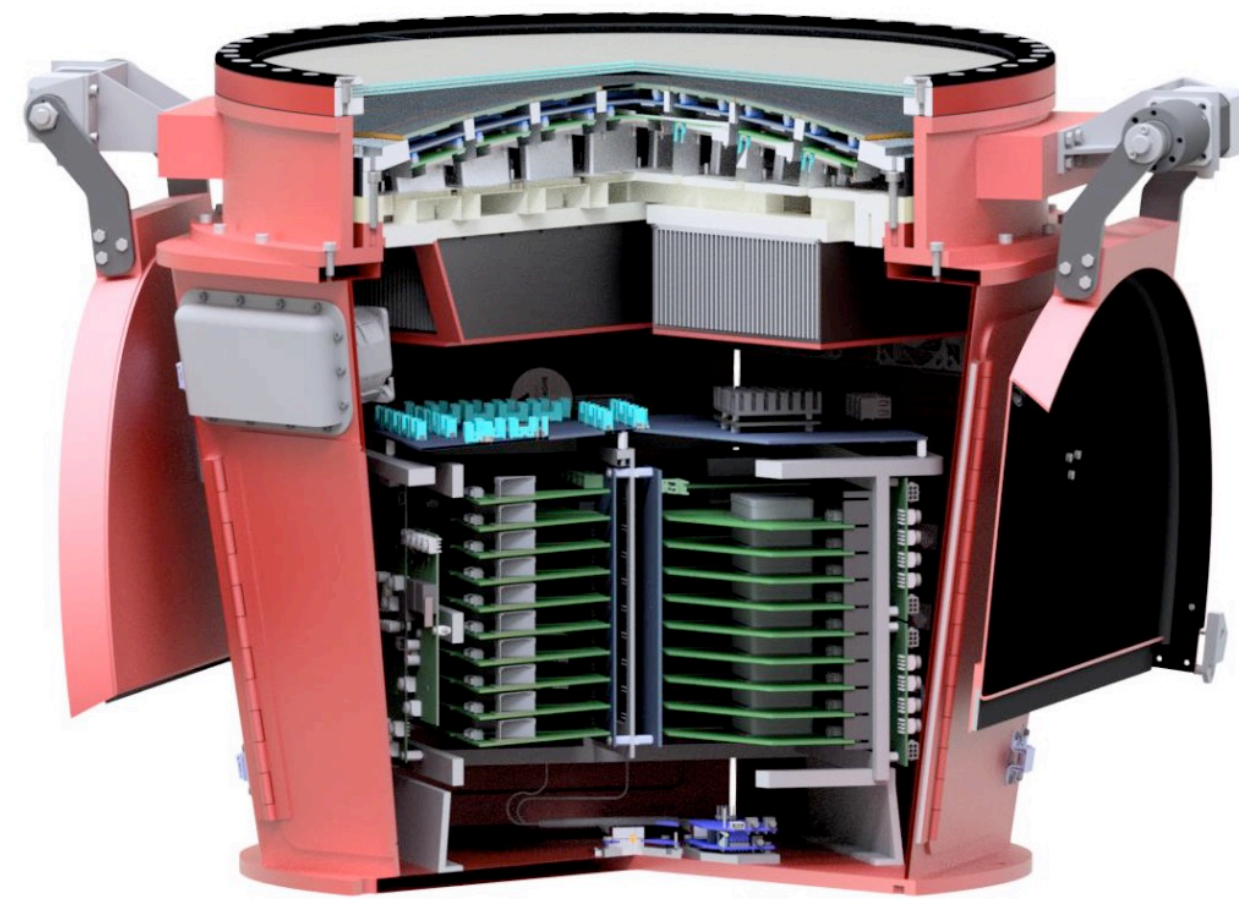
Acceptance at the end of January 2023



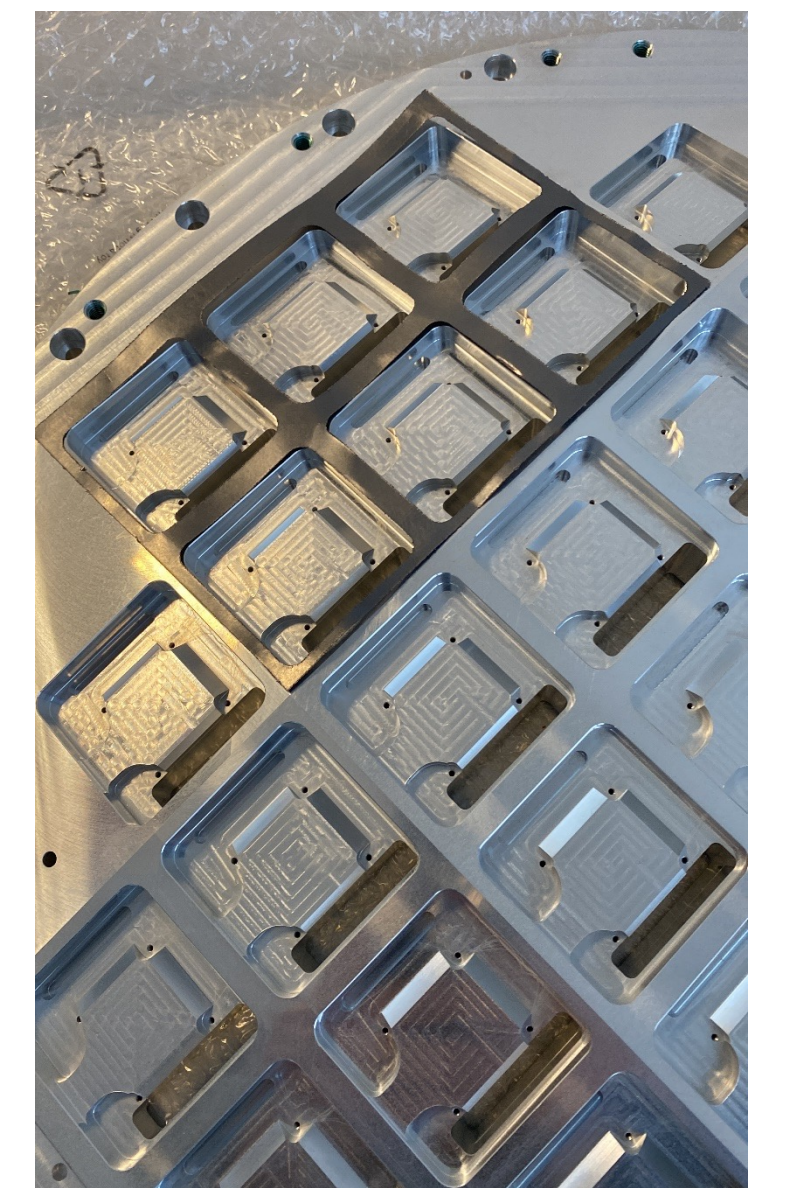
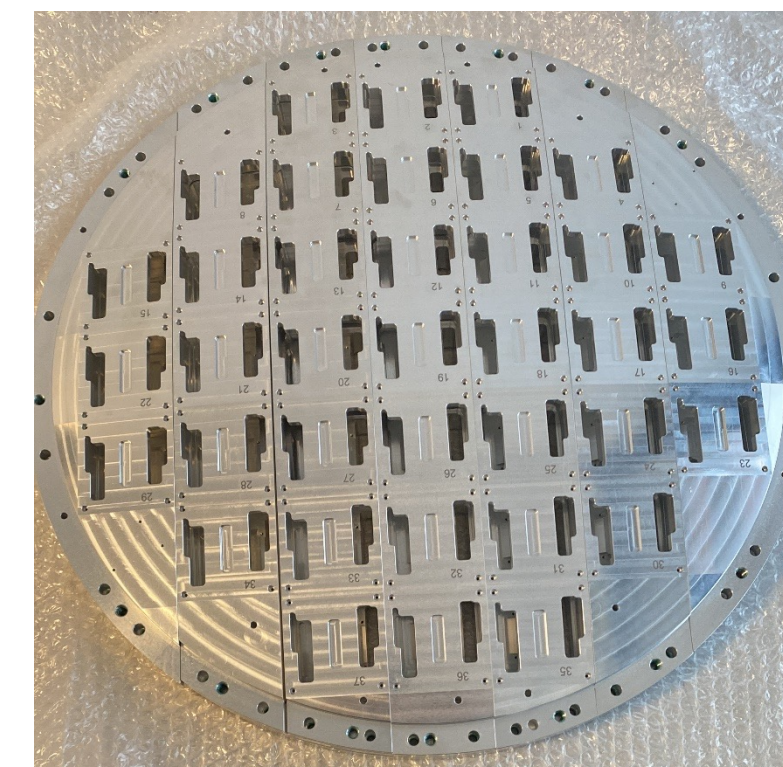
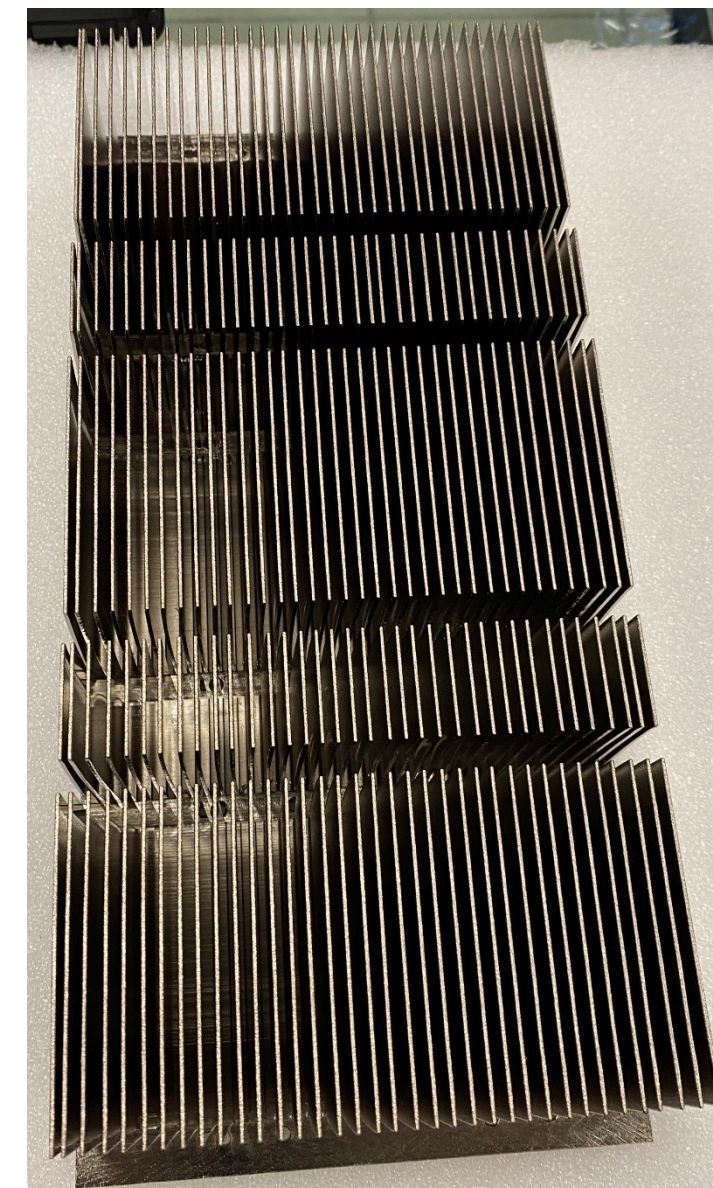
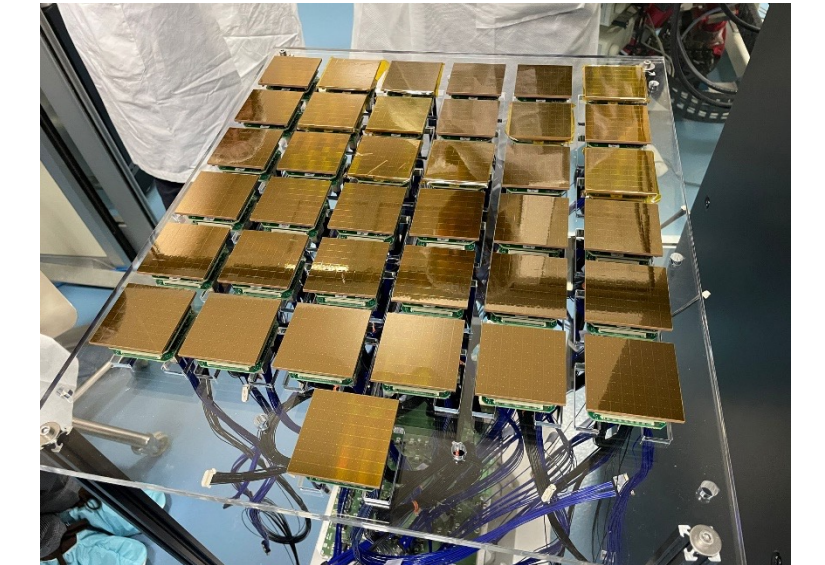
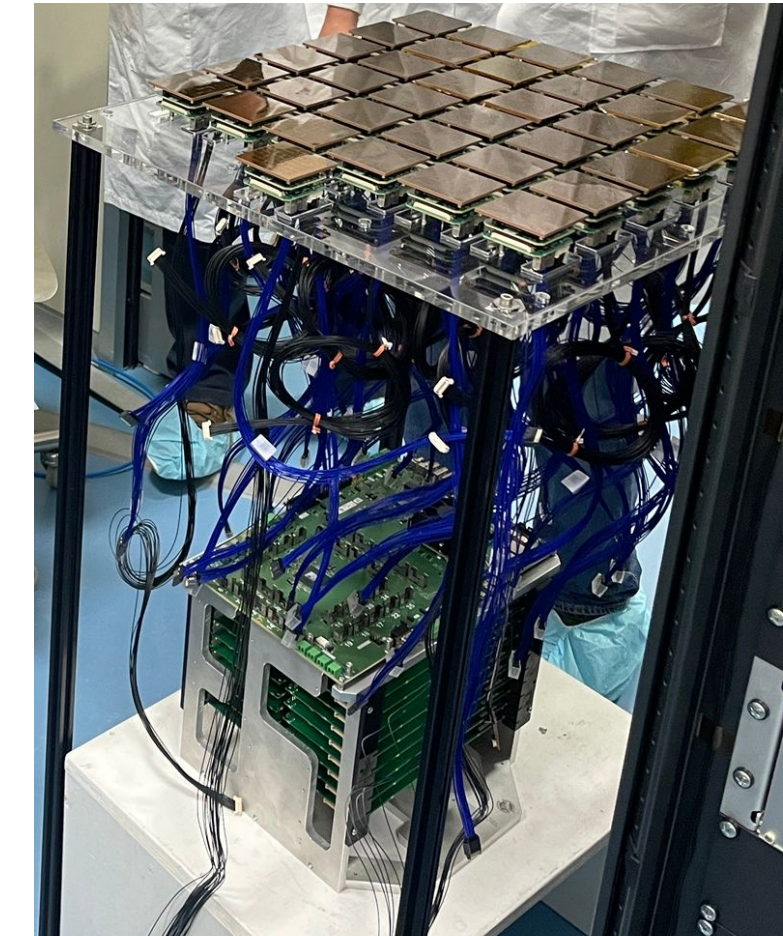
# Cherenkov Cameras

## Contract for the production of 11 cameras

- 1 engineering camera for qualification
- 9 cameras
- 1 spare camera

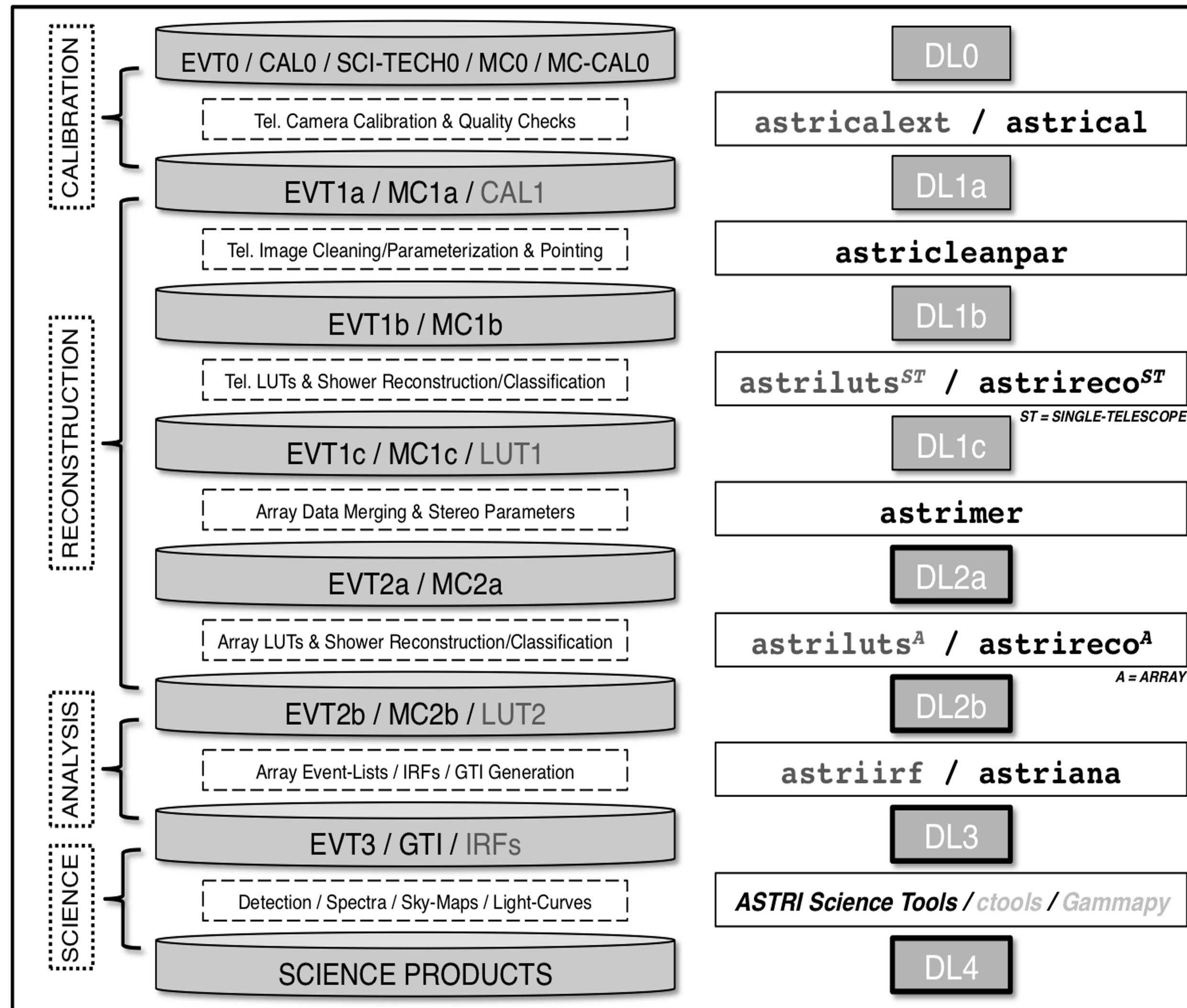


## Production and test of engineering camera ongoing



# The ASTRI Data Handling

Proc. SPIE, 10707, 107070R (2018)



## ASTRI Data Handling:

- ~15 involved people from different INAF institutes
- End-to-End approach, focus on both ASTRI prototype on-site activities and ASTRI Mini-Array

## ASTRI Data Handling main activities:

- on-site/off-site archives and pipelines
- MC simulations (for real data reduction and performance assessment)
- Prototype data reduction for commissioning/validation phases
- Mini-array IRFs production for CTA pre-production science studies
- Science tools (*ctools* and *Gammapy*) utilization and testing
- Real Time Analysis for ASTRI prototype

# View from VTT



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North view from KIS-VTT

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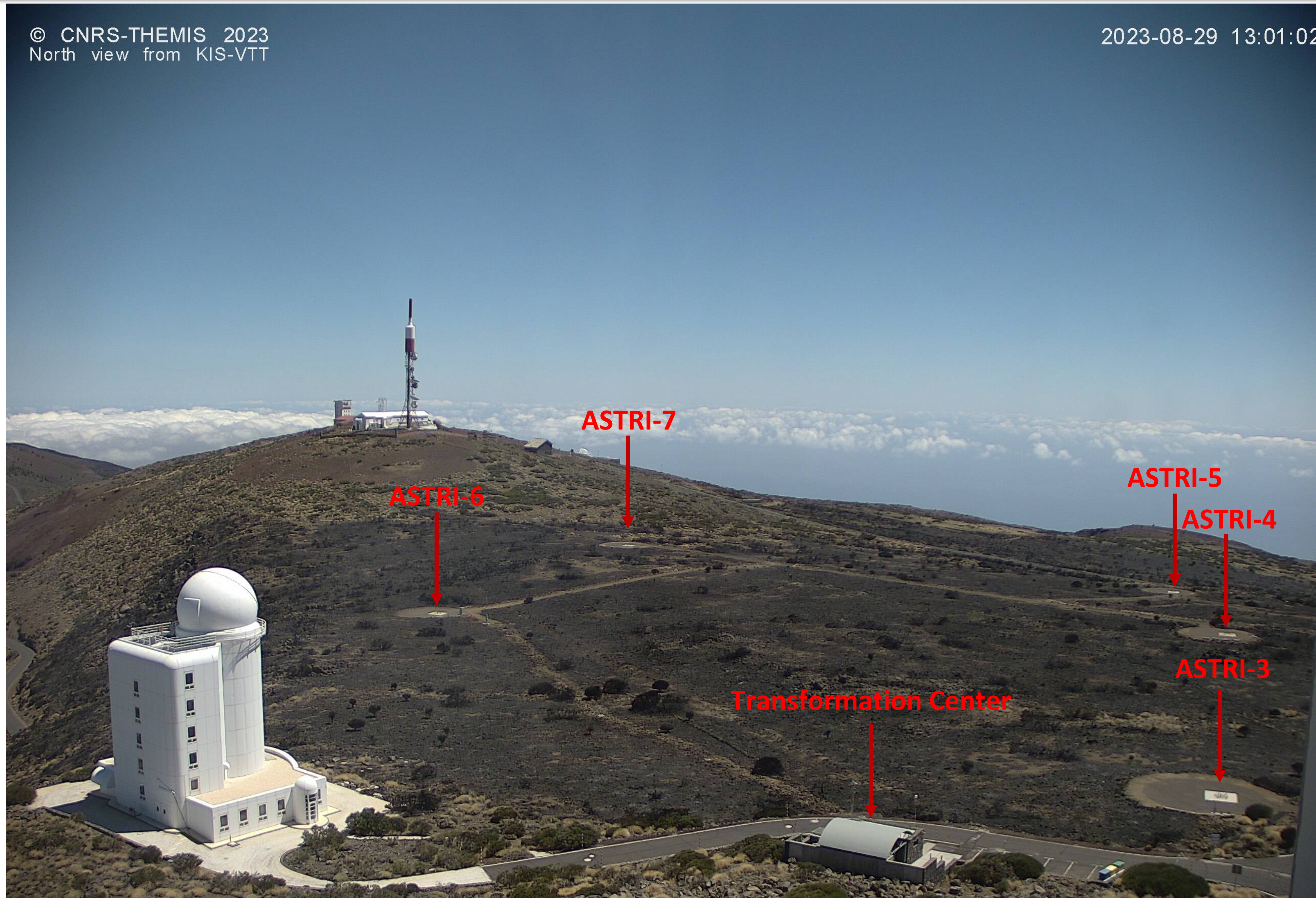
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# ASTRI-1





# View from VTT



# ASTRI Mini-Array implementation timeline

## Timeline based on current available information

- Teide infrastructure almost complete -> Contract is going to be closed
- ASTRI-1 telescope site acceptance review in January 2023
- ASTRI-8 & ASTRI-9 telescopes procurement ongoing
  - Shipping to Tenerife by the end of 2023
- First Cherenkov camera (engineering camera)
  - ready for lab test – Oct 2023
  - first Cherenkov light at the site Spring 2024
- First three telescopes (ASTRI-1, 8, 9) complete with cameras → winter 24
- Second batch of telescopes will start to arrive @ spring of 2024
- ASTRI Mini-Array ready for commissioning in 2025
- Scientific observations with the full array start at the end of 2025

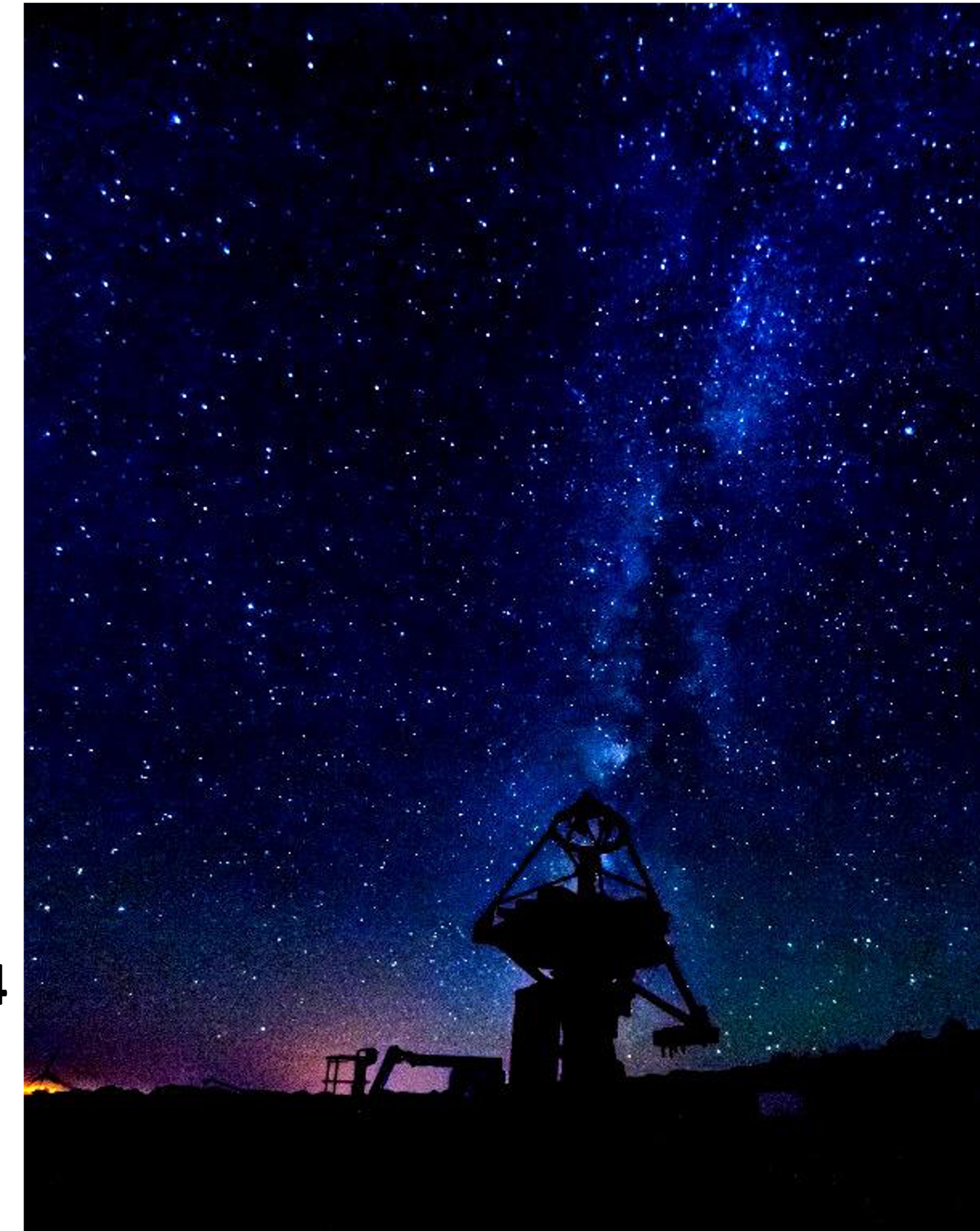


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