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# Recent Results of AMS-02

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# Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer

*AMS is a general purpose high-energy particle detector installed on the International Space Station (ISS) on 19 May 2011 to conduct a unique long duration (~20 years) mission of fundamental physics research in space...*



# AMS collaboration



16 Countries, 60 Institutes and 600 Physicists  
from Asia, Europa, and U.S.







# Taiwan in AMS

AMS is the only project supported by NCU, Academia Sinica, National Science Council as well as the defence and the space agencies, all with the highest priority



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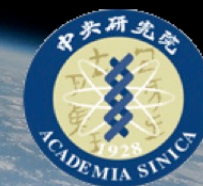
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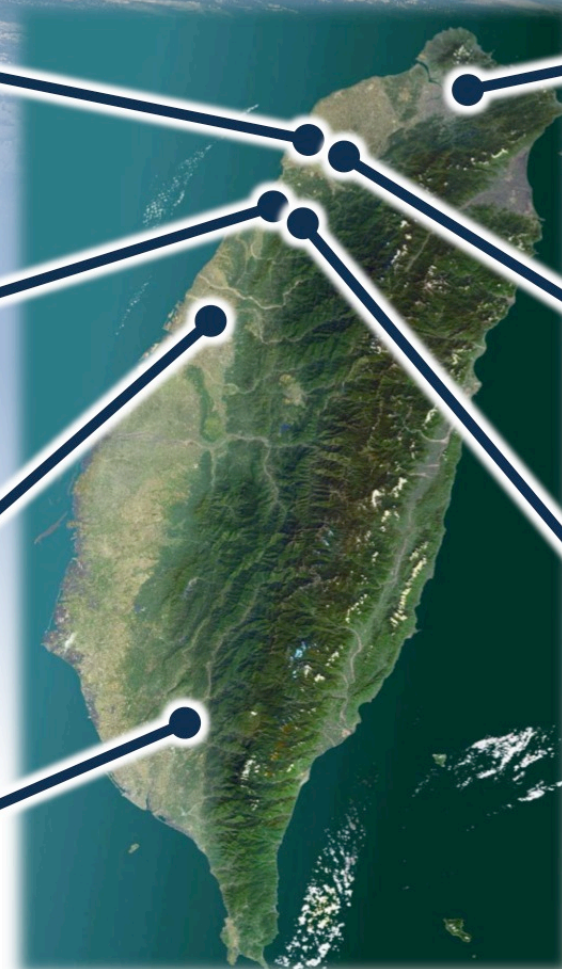
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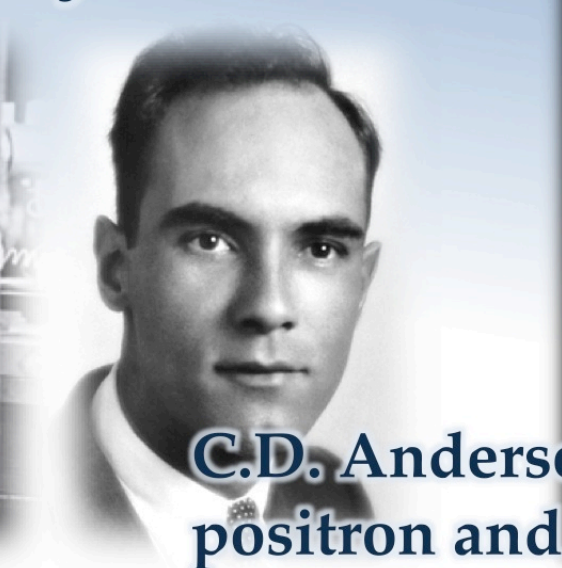
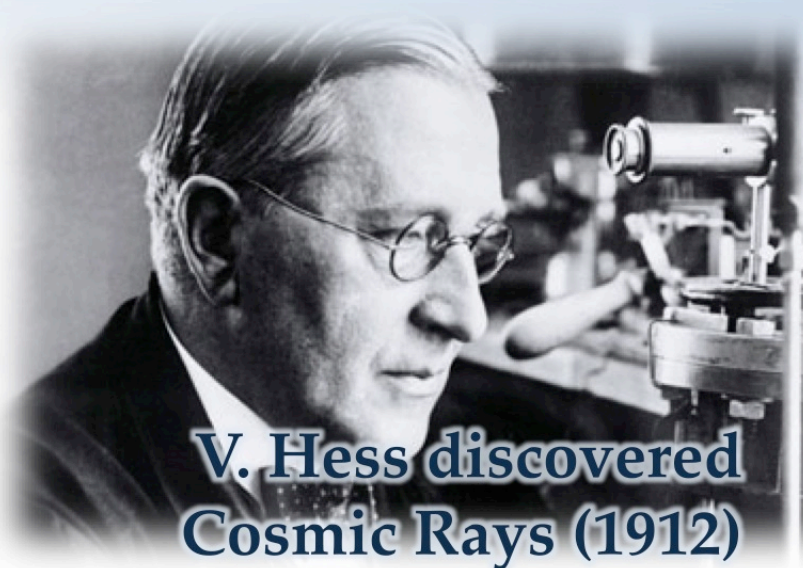
National Space Organization





# 1912 – 2012 : A century of Cosmic Rays

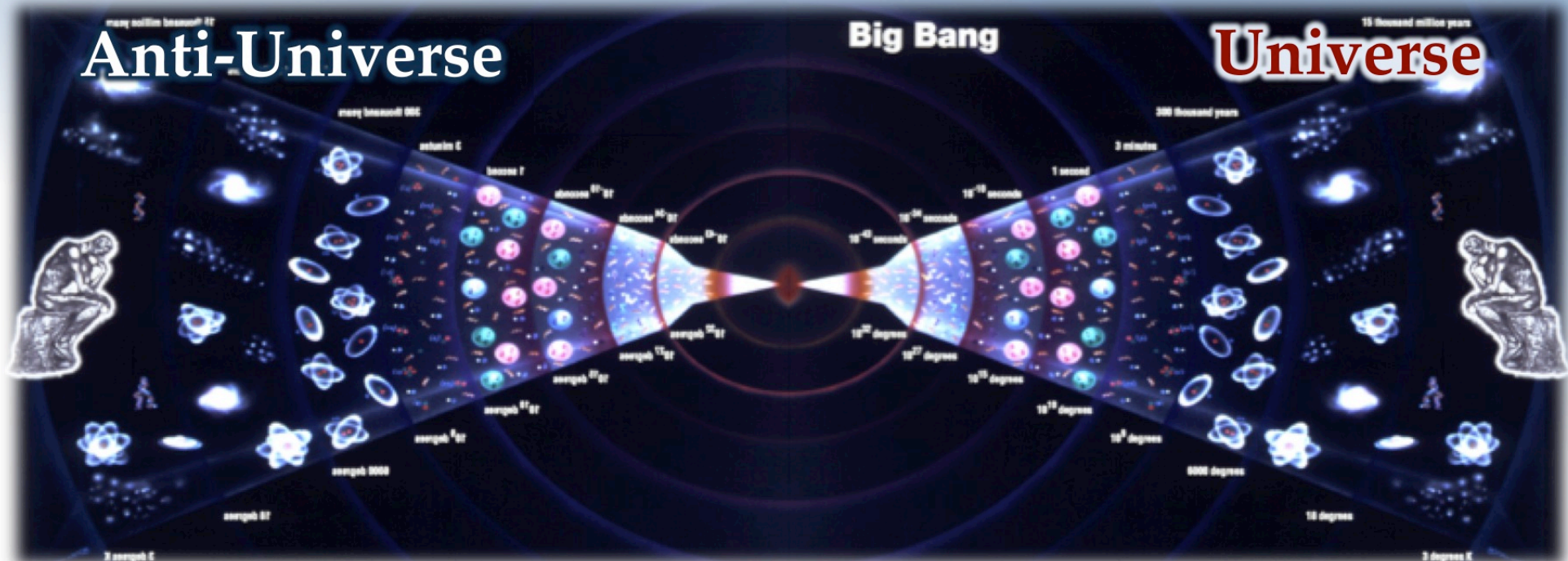
- Until 1950's, new particles had been discovered in Cosmic Rays
- Even after accelerators took over, Cosmic Rays play important role in Particle Physics





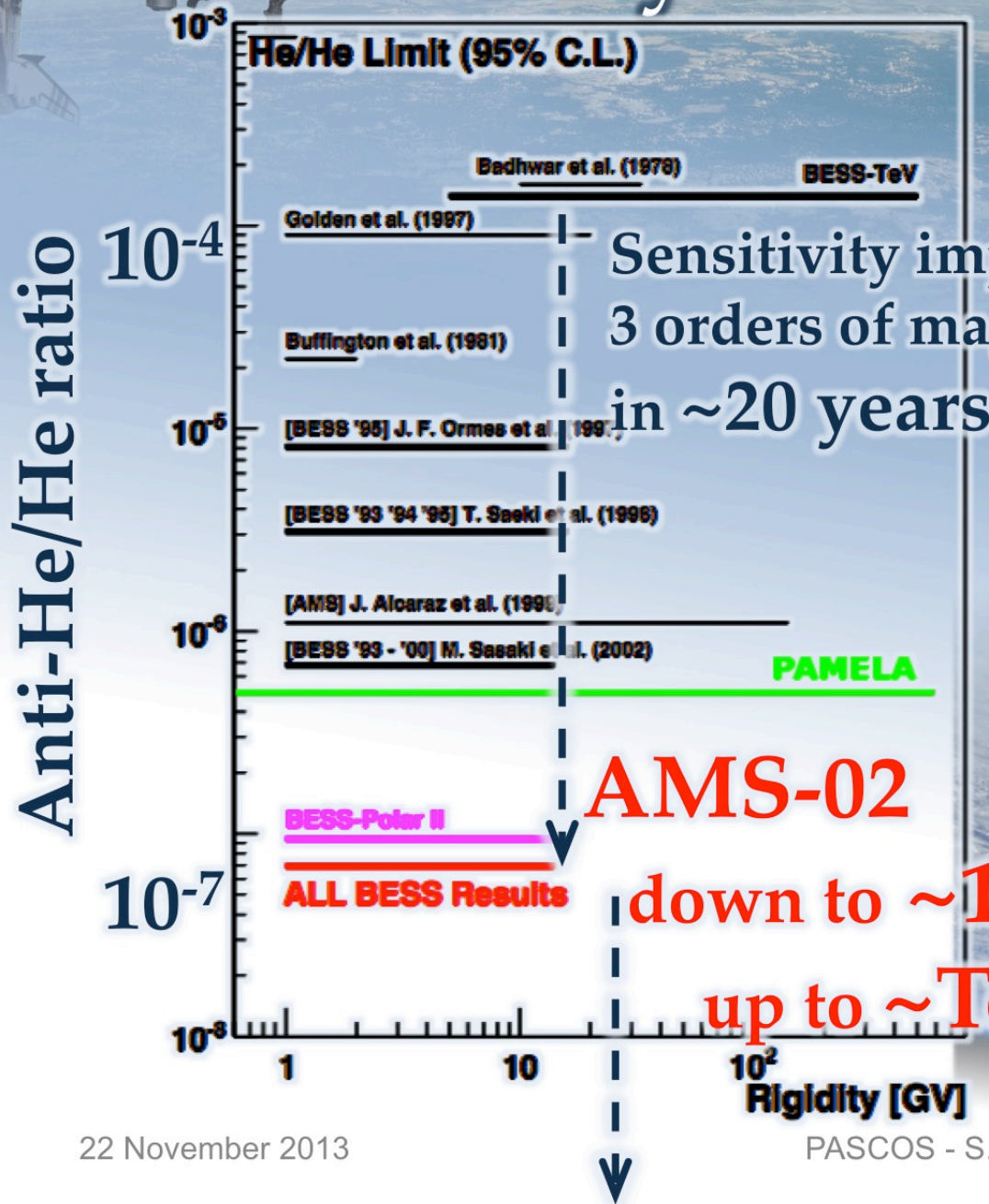
# Search for antimatter

- Apparent asymmetry of matter and antimatter is one of the fundamental problems in cosmology
- Detection of anti-nuclei in Cosmic Rays will be a strong evidence of primordial Anti Matter





# History of antimatter search



From balloons to satellite

... and ISS

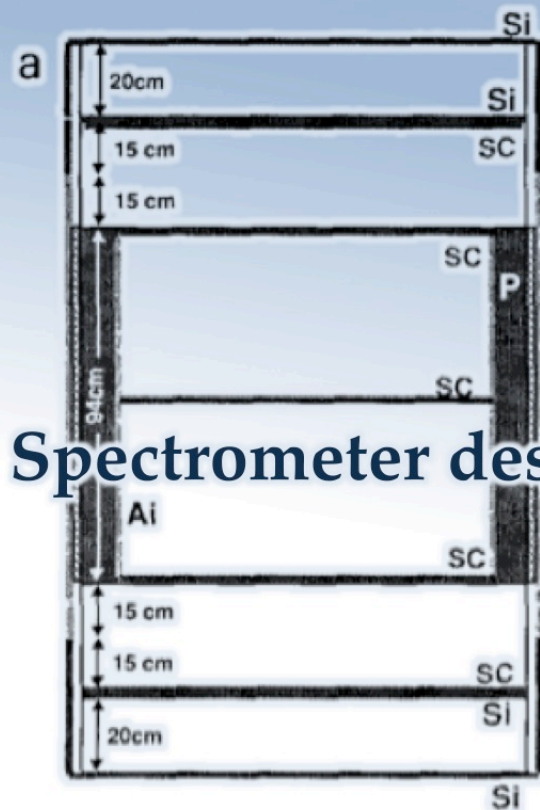




# Original idea of AMS (1994)

An antimatter spectrometer in space

Antimatter Study Group



Spectrometer design

- P permanent magnet with supporting structure
- SC Double sided silicon detector resolution ( $7\mu$ ) and  $\frac{dE}{dX}$  (charge) measurements
- Si scintillators for time of flight and  $\frac{dE}{dX}$  (charge)
- Ai veto scintillators

Magnet design

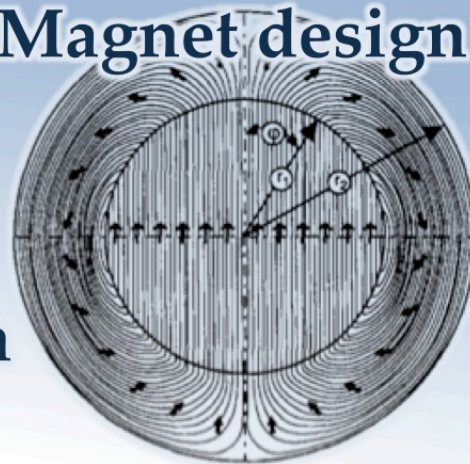


Fig. 6. Magnetic field distribution at a cross-section of the center of the magnet.

Anti-He/He Ratio

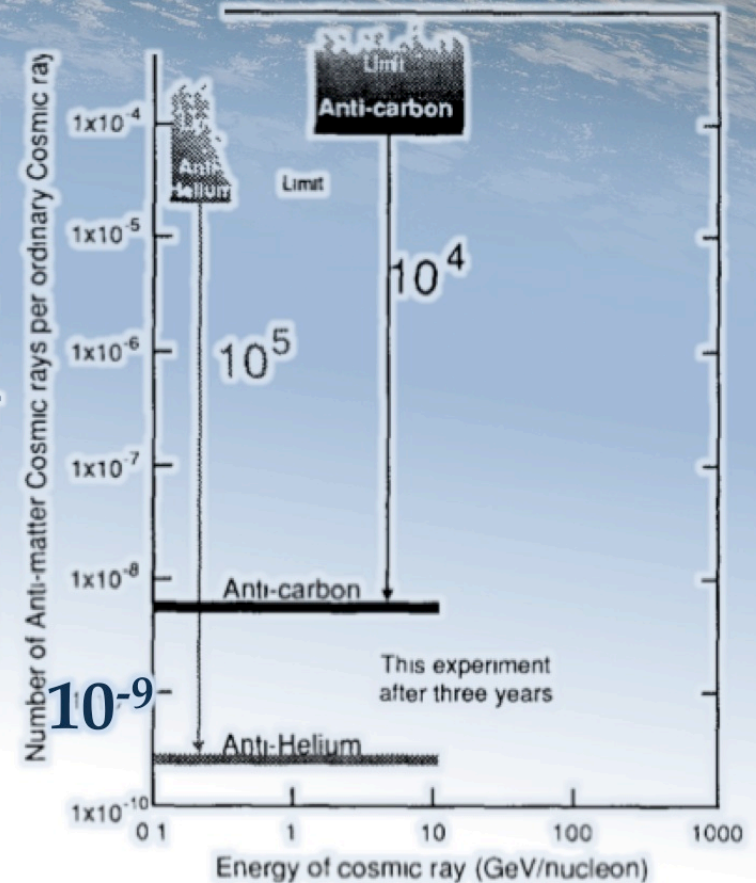


Fig. 30. Current limits and sensitivity of this experiment for antimatter. In addition to the search for antimatter, our detector could be easily modified (particularly for options 2 and 4) to explore the search of  $\bar{p}$  and  $e^+$ .



# Technical challenges

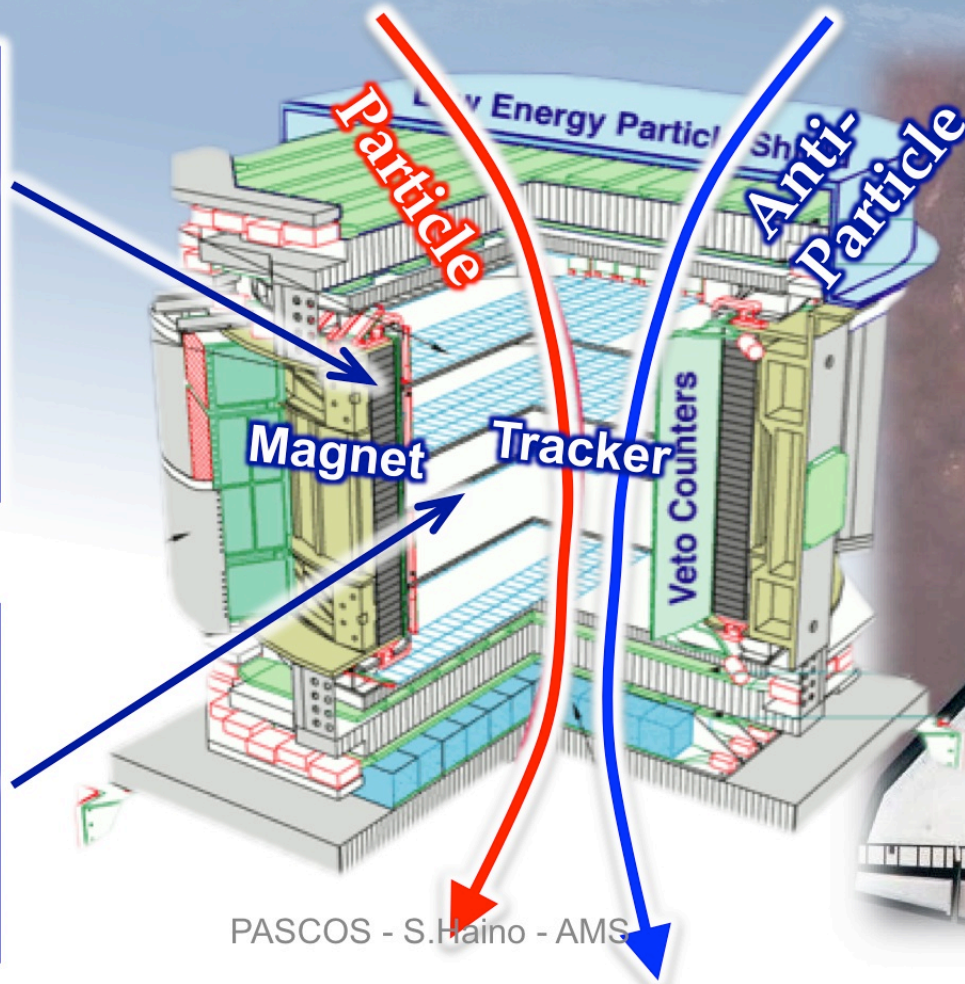
- AMS is designed with the same capability as state-of-art CERN-LHC detectors but small enough to fit in space shuttle
- AMS needs to work for 20 years in extreme space environment without access nor repair





# Test flight : AMS-01 (1998)

- One week flight on space shuttle Discovery with the same magnet as AMS-02





... and it took **~12 years**

For

- Design
- Construction
- Space qualification tests of sub-systems and
- Integration of **AMS-02**



**AMS-02**  
ELECTRONIC SYSTEM  
C.S.I.S.T, TAIWAN, R.O.C  
中山科學研究院

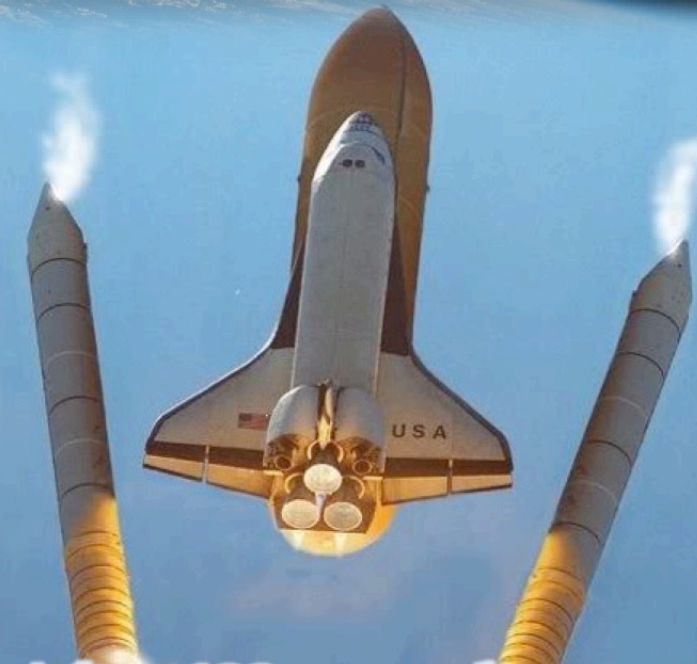






# Launch of AMS-02

- **May/16/2011**
- **Last Endeavor flight**
- **Total weight 2008 t**
- **AMS 7.5 t**



**After 123 seconds,  
1,000 tons of fuel was spent**





# AMS installed on the ISS

19/May/2011

Start taking data only 4 hours later



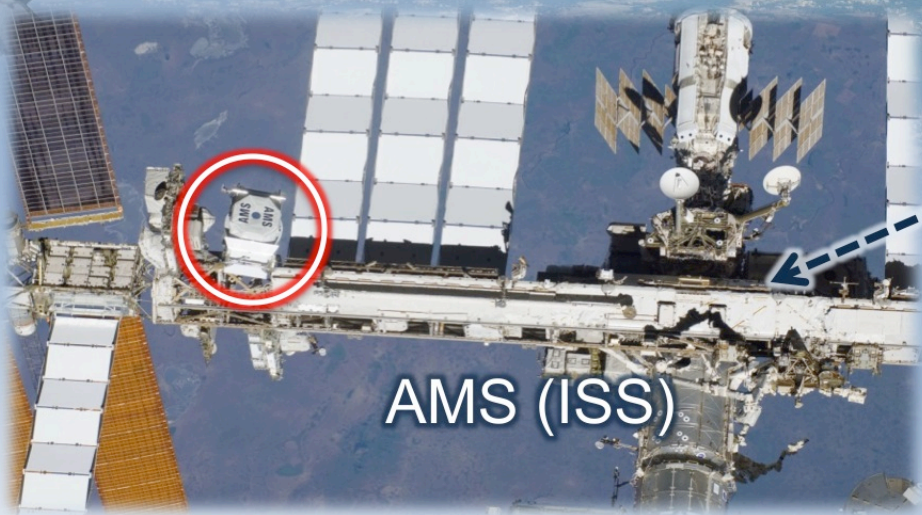
Since then, AMS is continuously recording  
16 billion Cosmic-Ray events every year...



# Operation and data link

**Ku-Band (down):**  
Events <10Mbit/s>

**S-Band (up & down):**  
Commanding: 1 Kbit/s  
Monitoring: 30 Kbit/s







(m):  
bit/s  
t/s

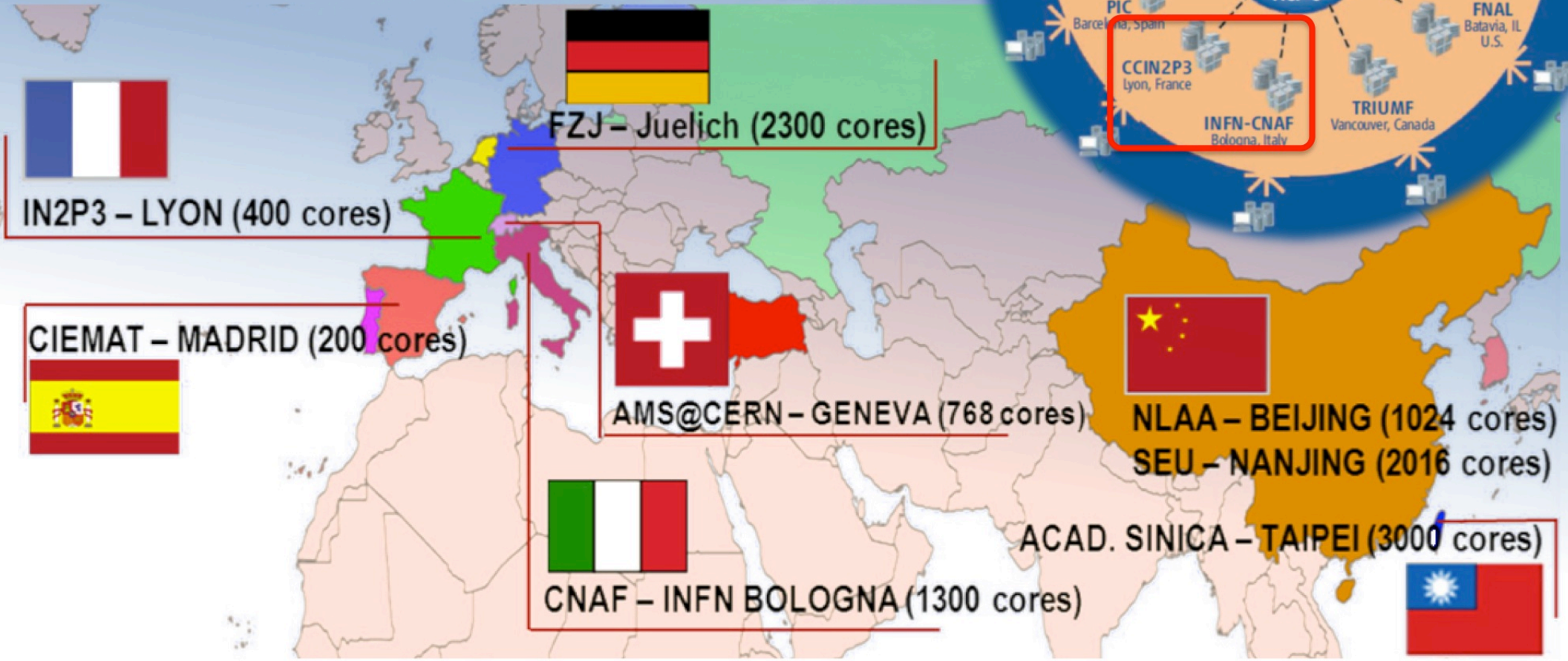
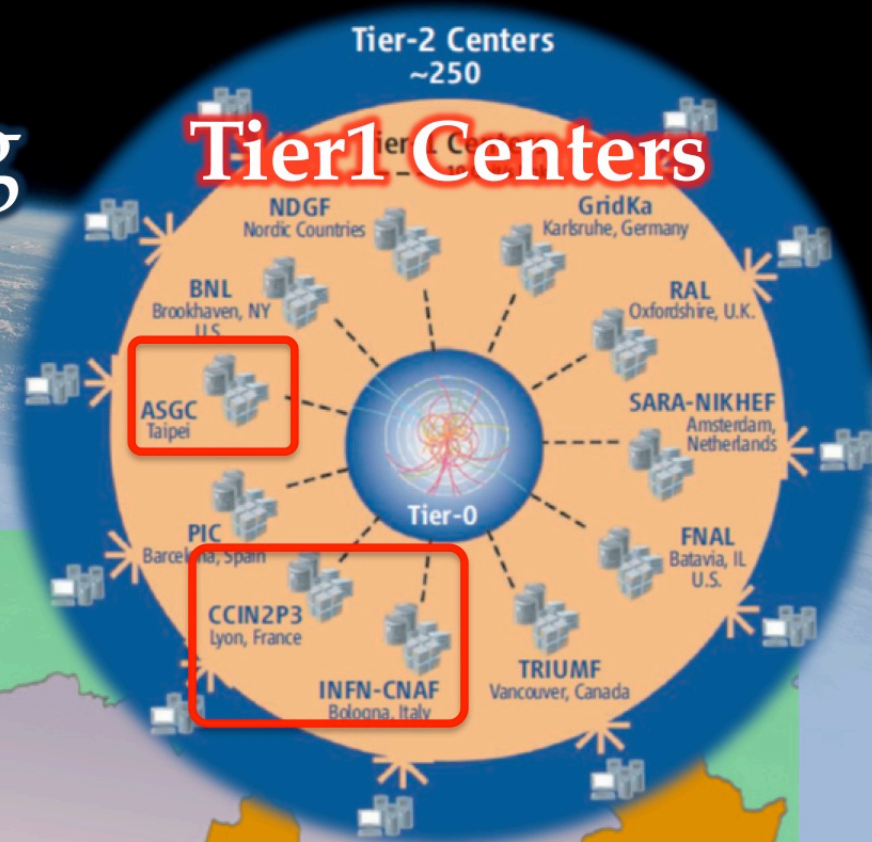
馬英九總統（圖中）與研發太空磁譜儀監控中心的日籍中大教授灰野楨一（右）握手致意，諾貝爾獎得主丁肇中（左）在旁陪同。（記者沈繼昌攝）





# AMS computing

LHC Tier 1: Academia Sinica,  
IN2P3, INFN



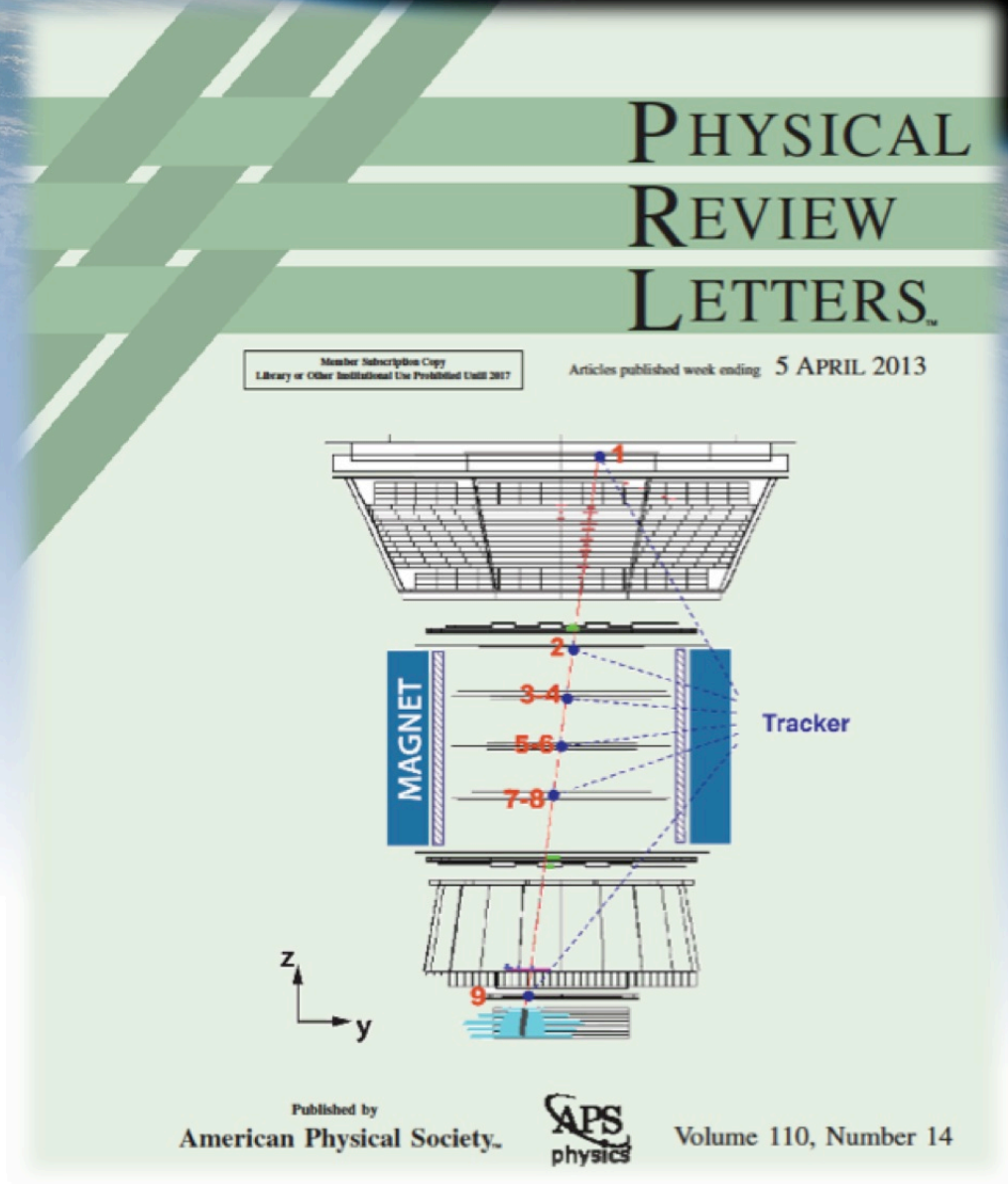


# First results of AMS

M. Aguilar *et al.*,  
PRL 110, 141102 (2013)

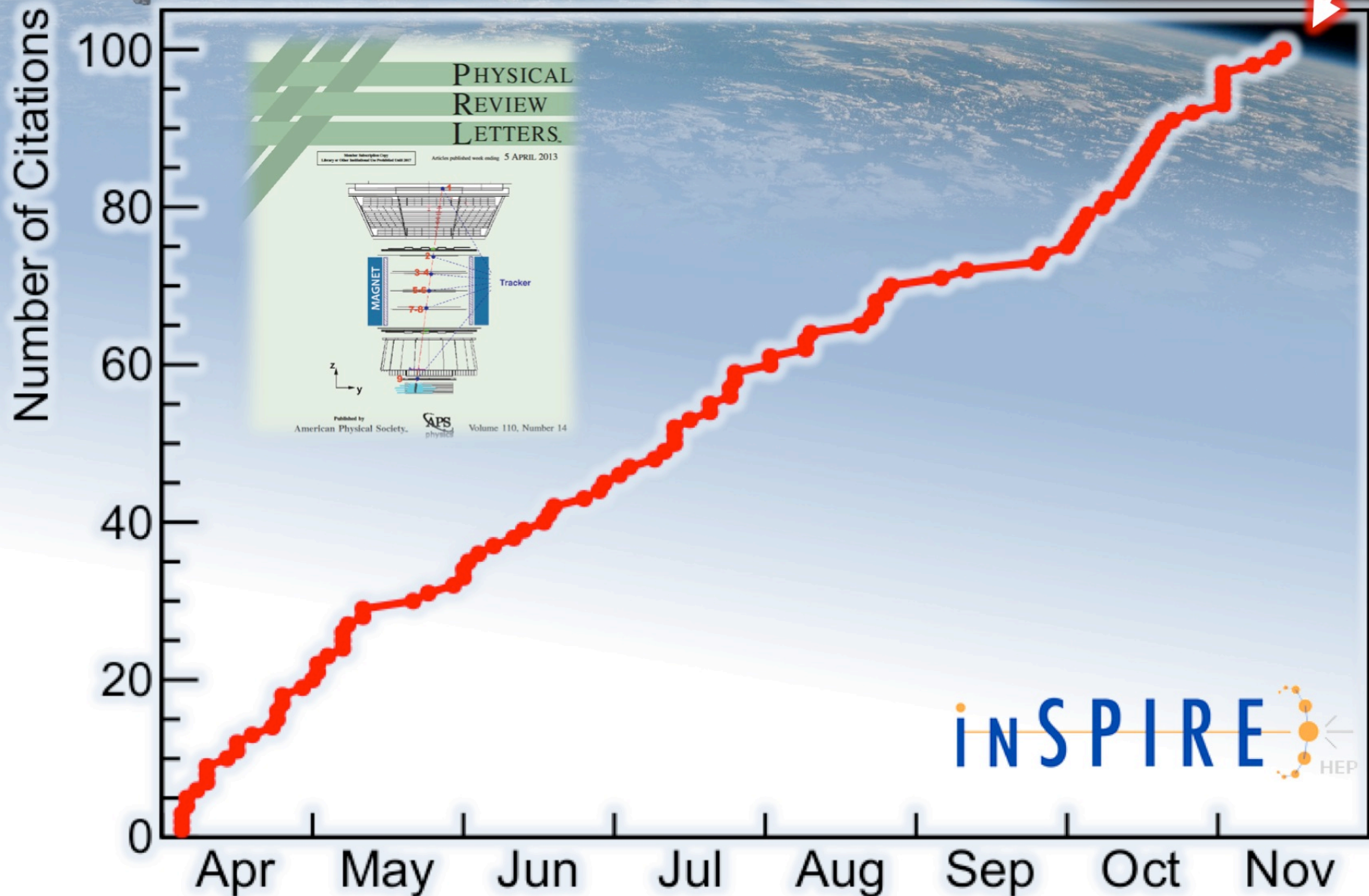
“Precision Measurement  
of the Positron Fraction  
in Primary Cosmic Rays”  
of 0.5-350 GeV

(April/2013)





# Citation increasing ... **Now over 100 !**





# Physics of CR Positron Fraction

M. Turner and F. Wilczek, Phys. Rev. D42 (1990) 1001;

J. Ellis, 26th ICRC Salt Lake City (1999) astro-ph/9911440;

H. Cheng, J. Feng and K. Matchev, Phys. Rev. Lett. 89 (2002) 211301;

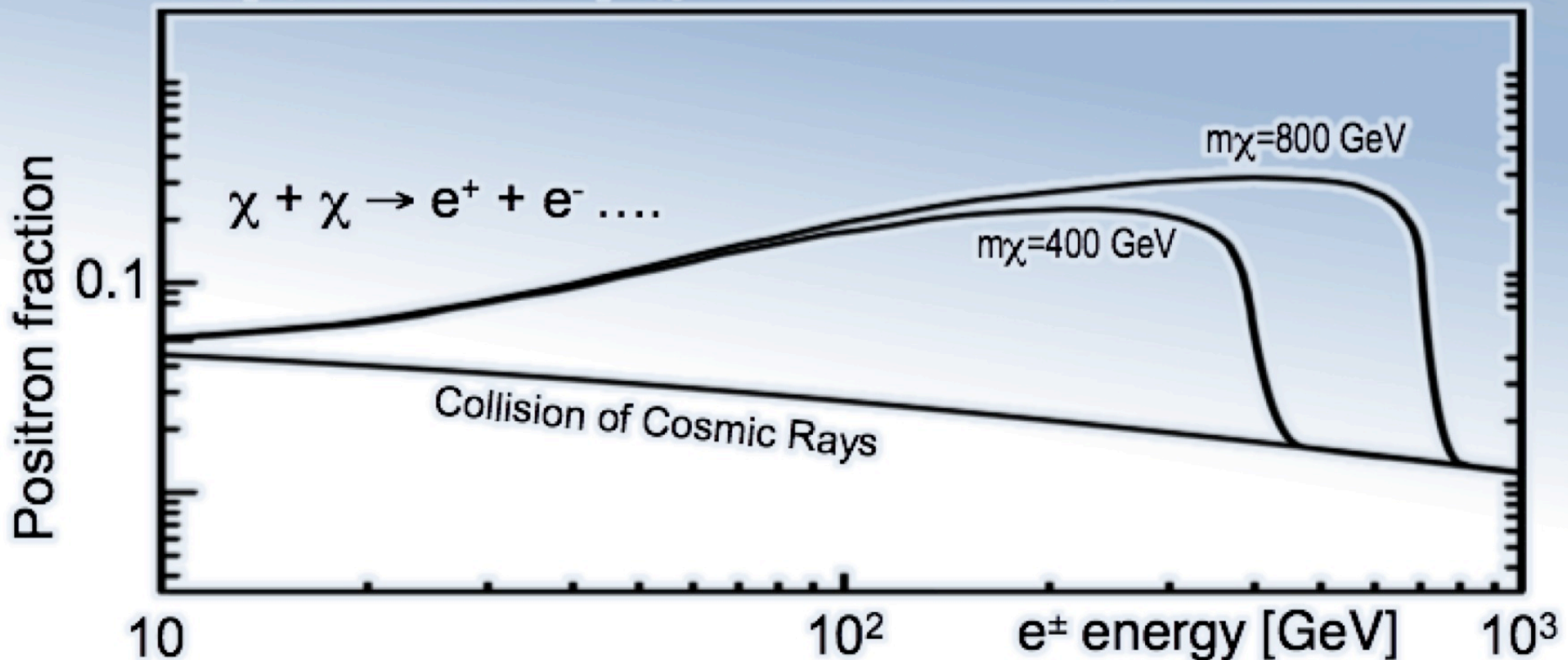
S. Profumo and P. Ullio, J. Cosmology Astroparticle Phys. JCAP07 (2004) 006;

D. Hooper and J. Silk, Phys. Rev. D 71 (2005) 083503;

E. Ponton and L. Randall, JHEP 0904 (2009) 080;

G. Kane, R. Lu and S. Watson, Phys. Lett. B681 (2009) 151;

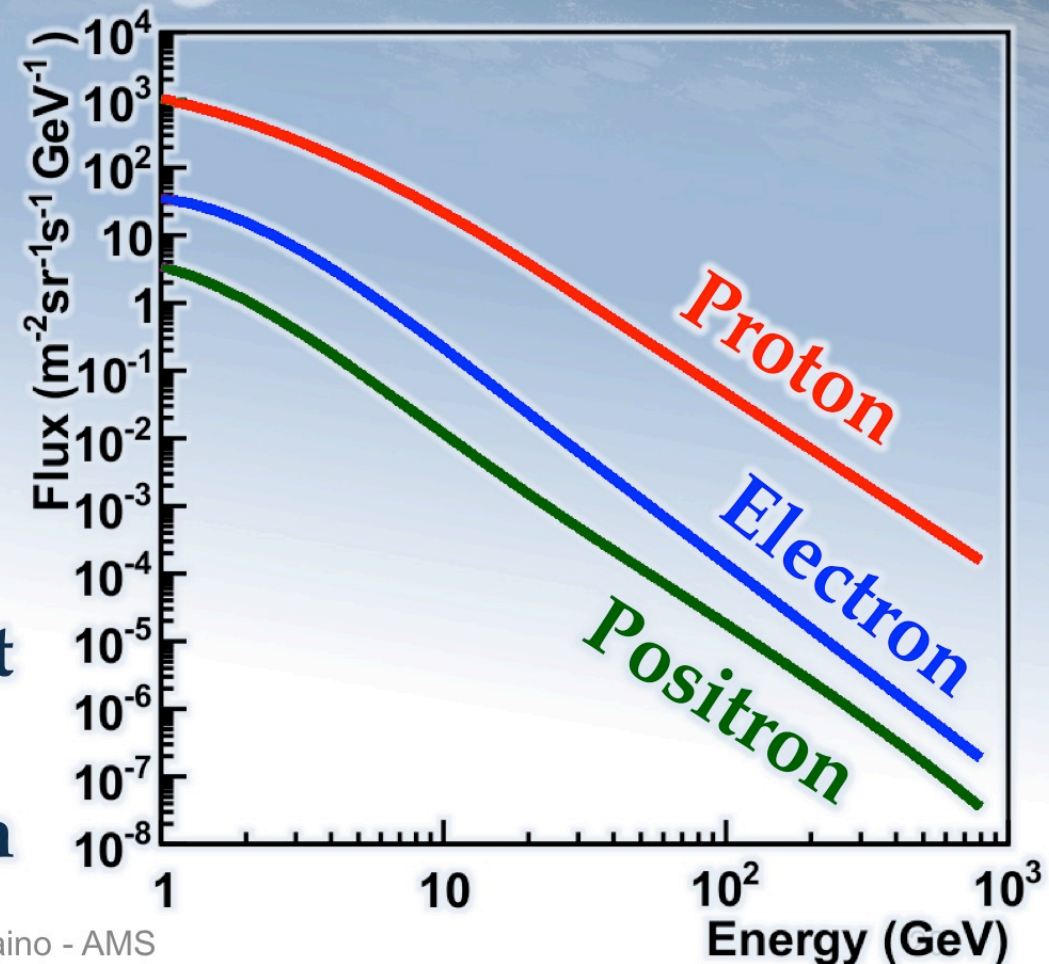
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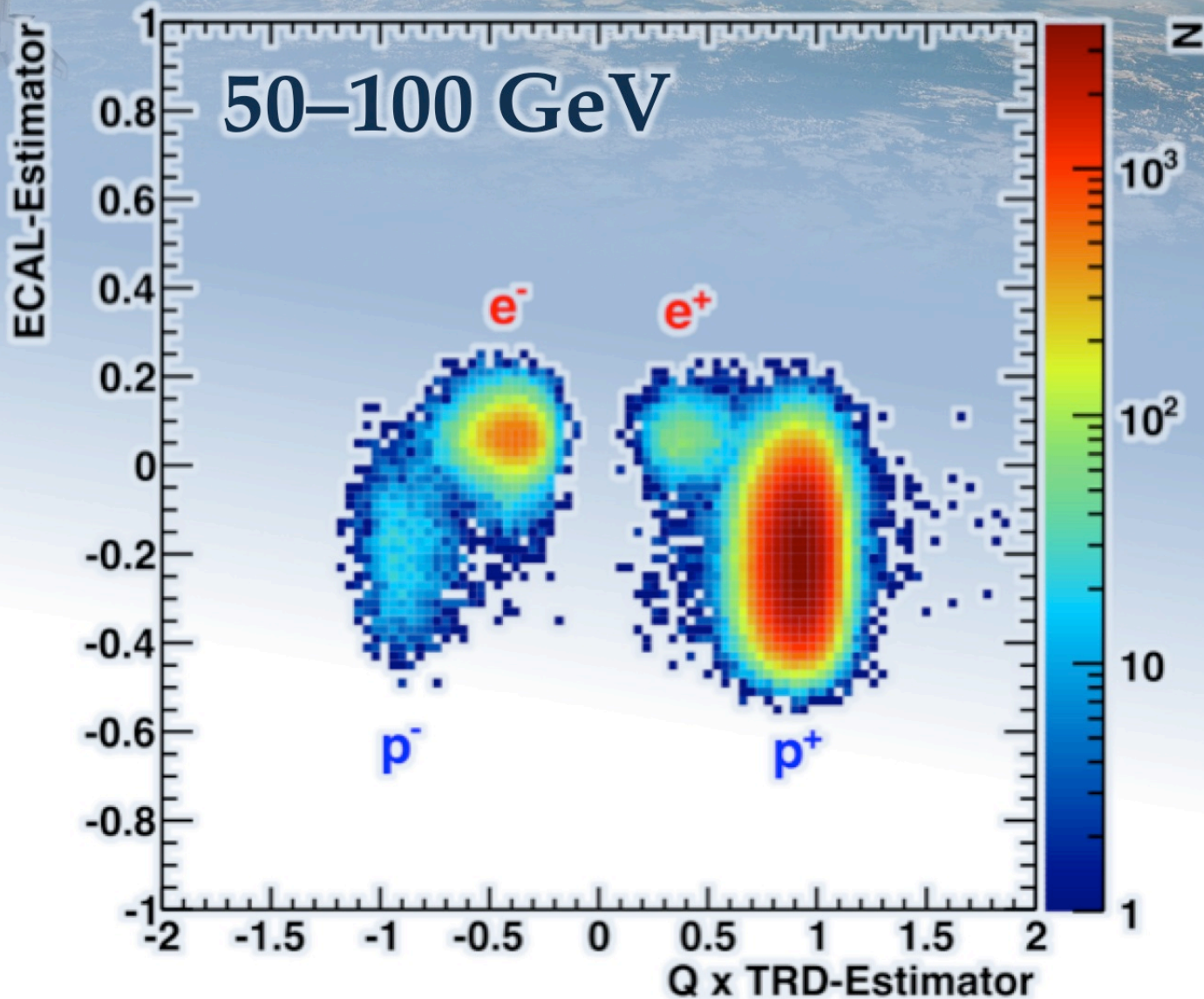
# Difficulties – CR positron measurement

- Low abundance : 0.01~0.1 % of Cosmic Rays  
→ Large acceptance and long duration needed
- Large backgrounds
  - (1) Protons  $\times 10^3 \sim 10^4$   
→ Redundant  
 $e^+/p$  separation  
capability
  - (2) Electrons  $\times 10 \sim 100$   
→ Deflection measurement  
in a magnetic field  
to determine charge sign



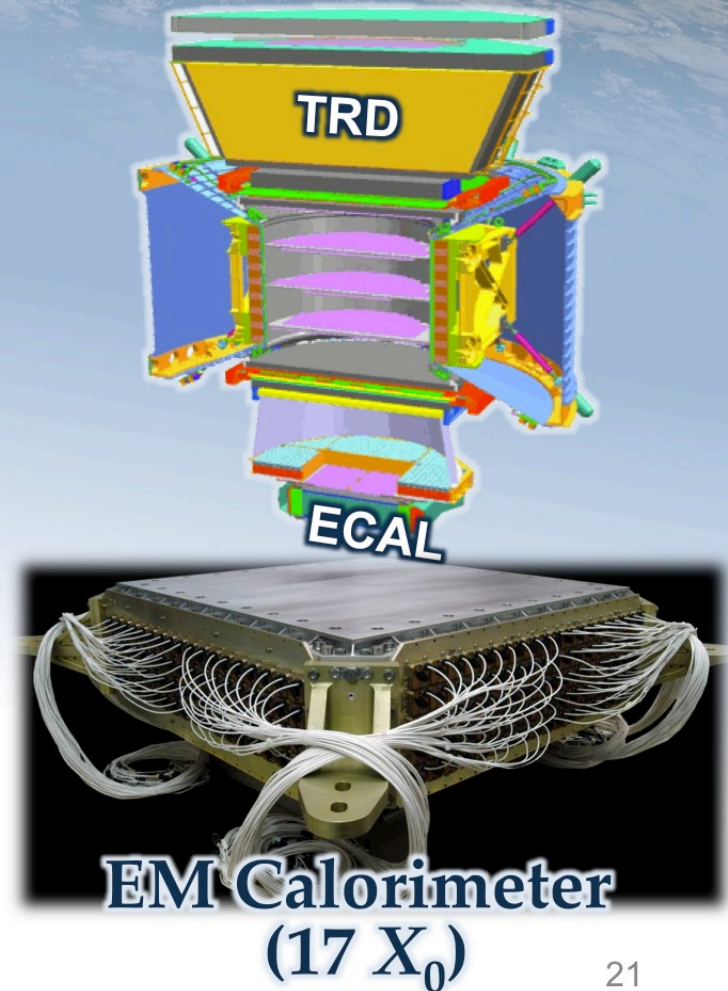


# Positron identification



Transition Radiation Detector (TRD)

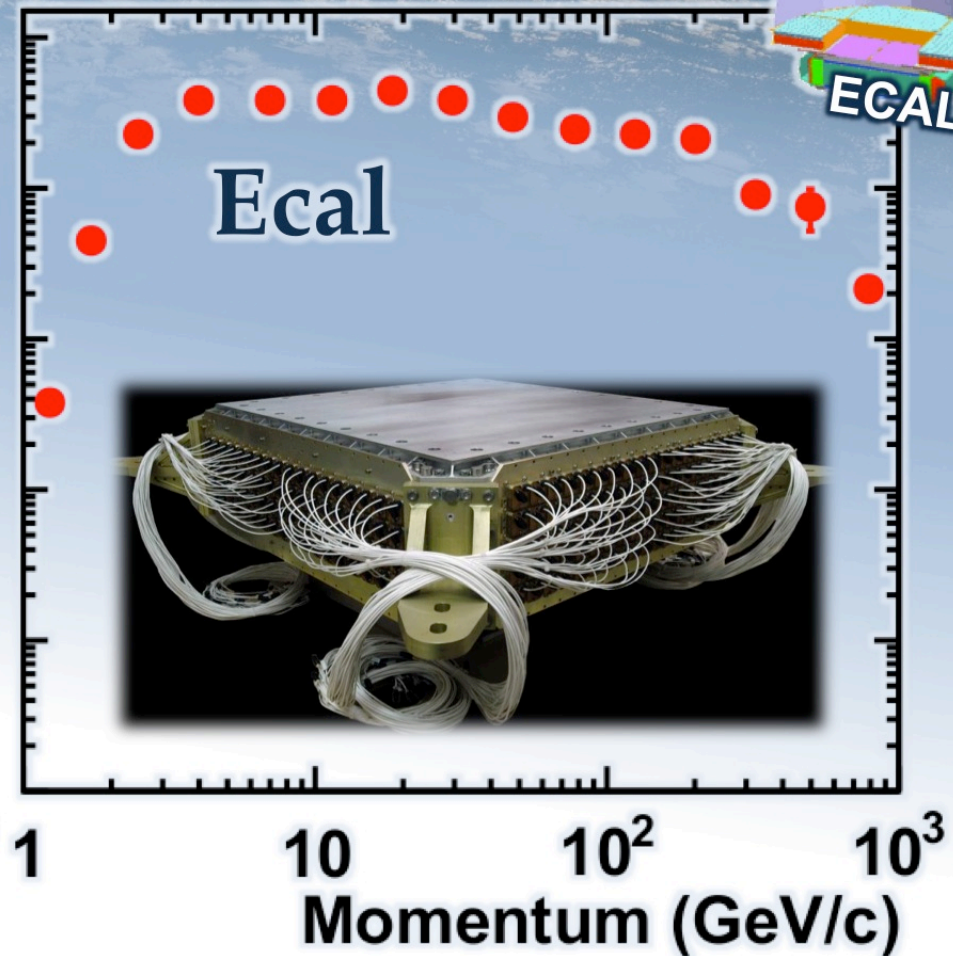
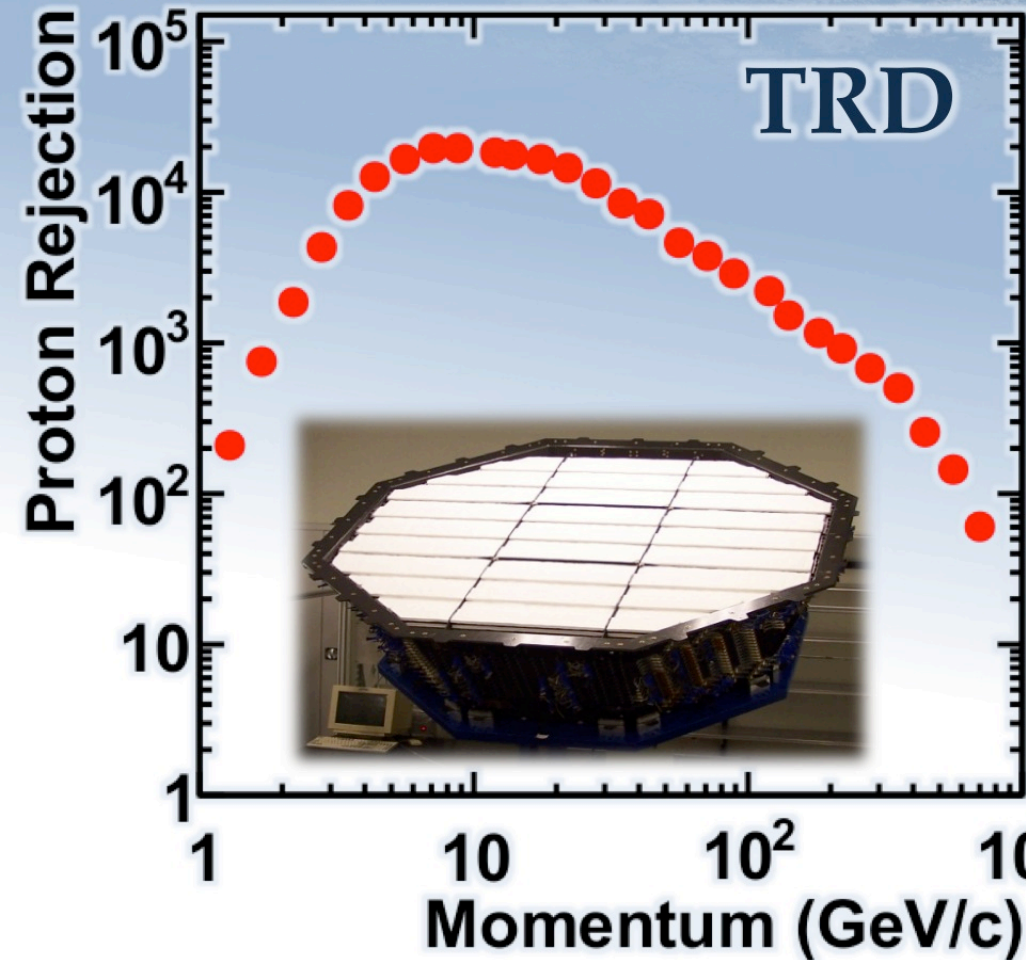
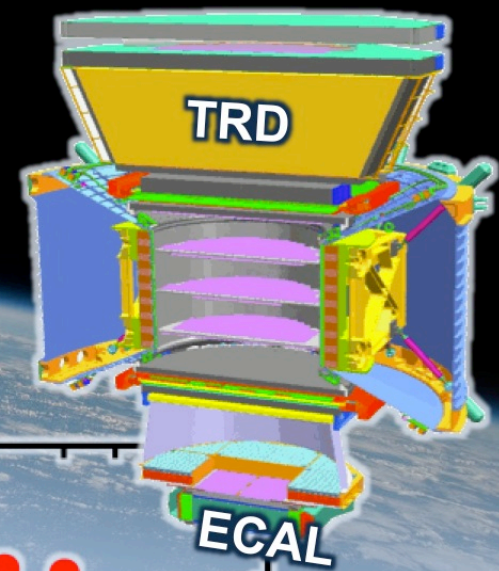
Detailed description: A photograph of a large, octagonal Transition Radiation Detector (TRD) component, showing its grid-like structure and metallic frame.





# Proton rejection

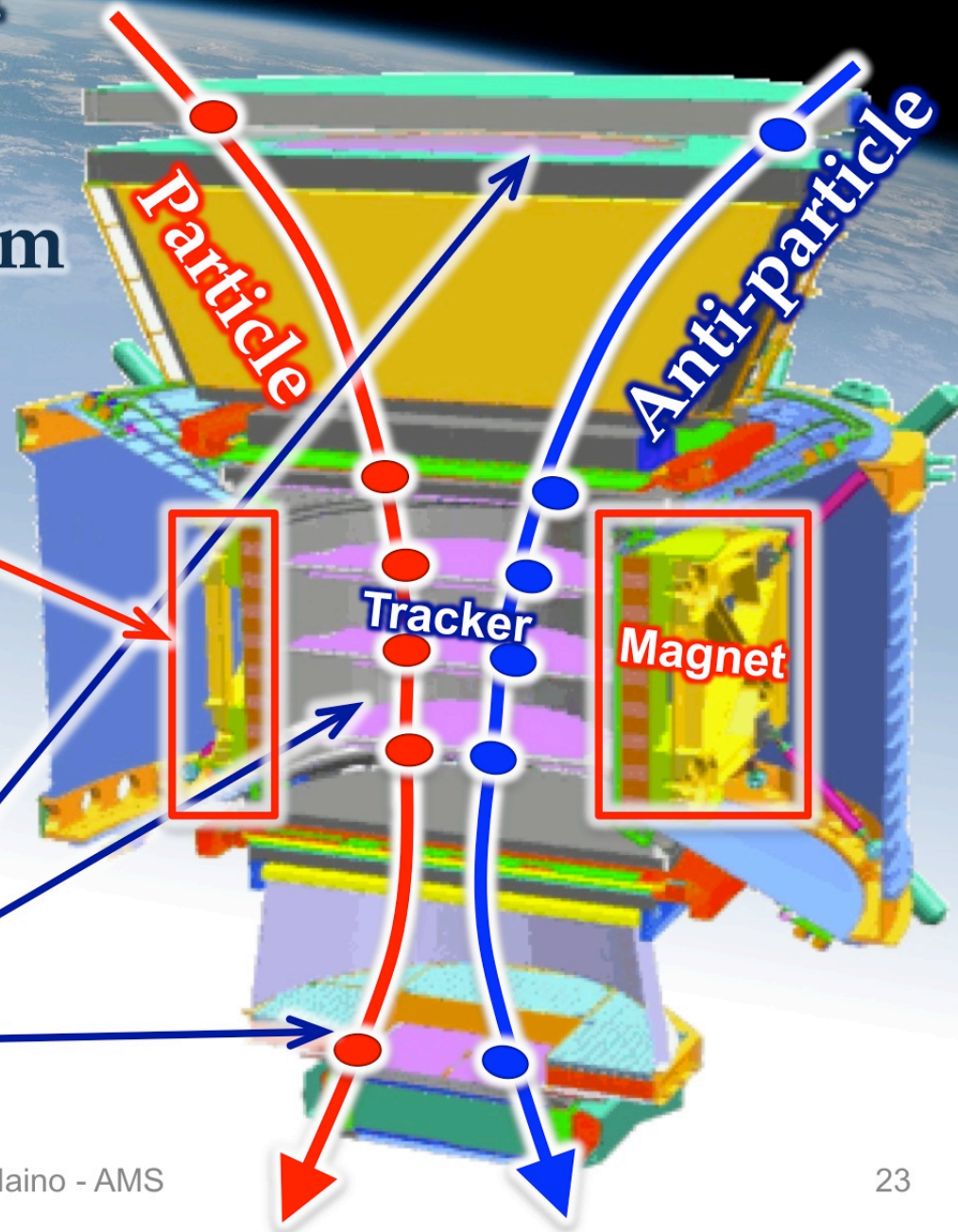
With 90 %  $e^+$  efficiency





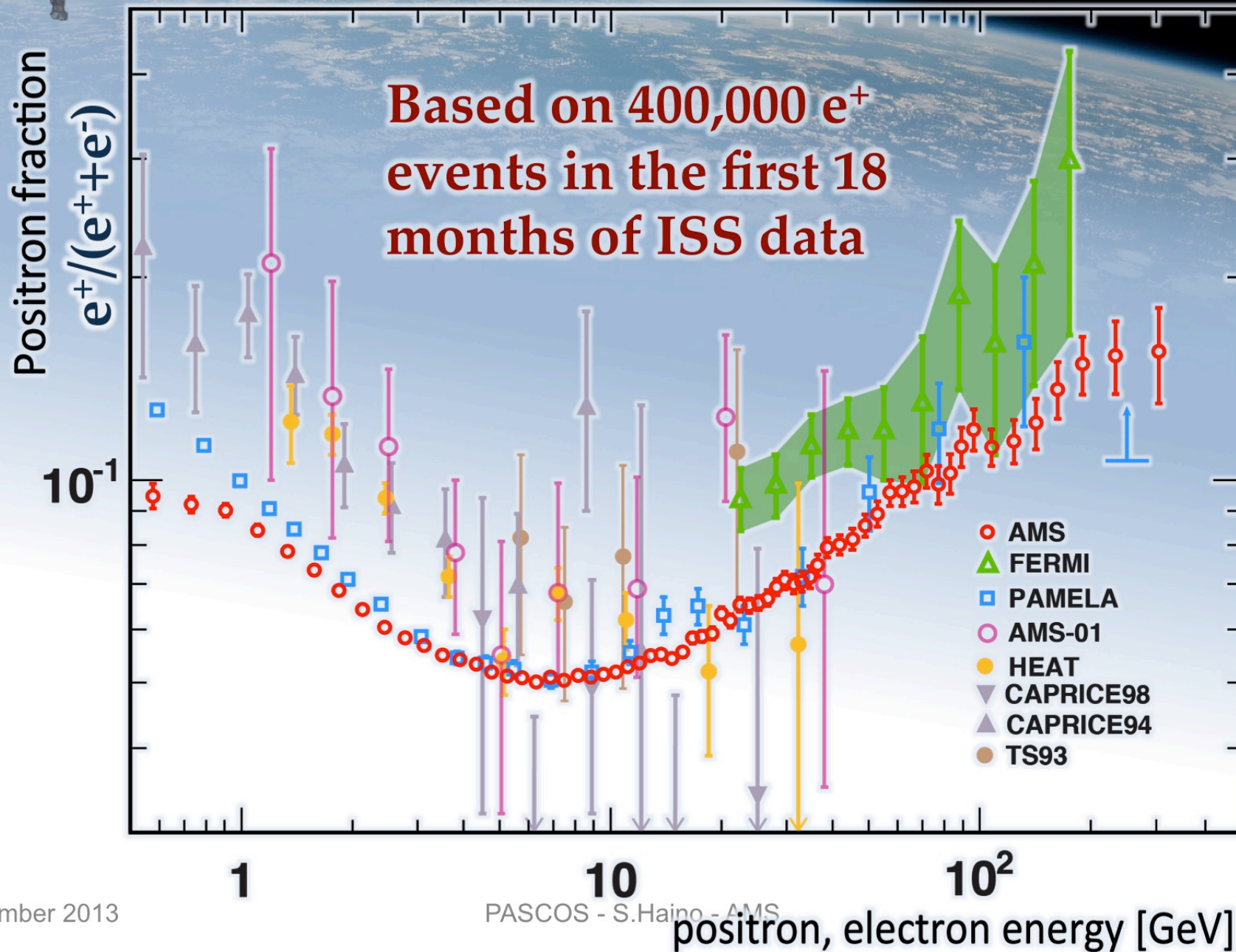
# $e^+ / e^-$ separation

- Determine charge sign and measure momentum



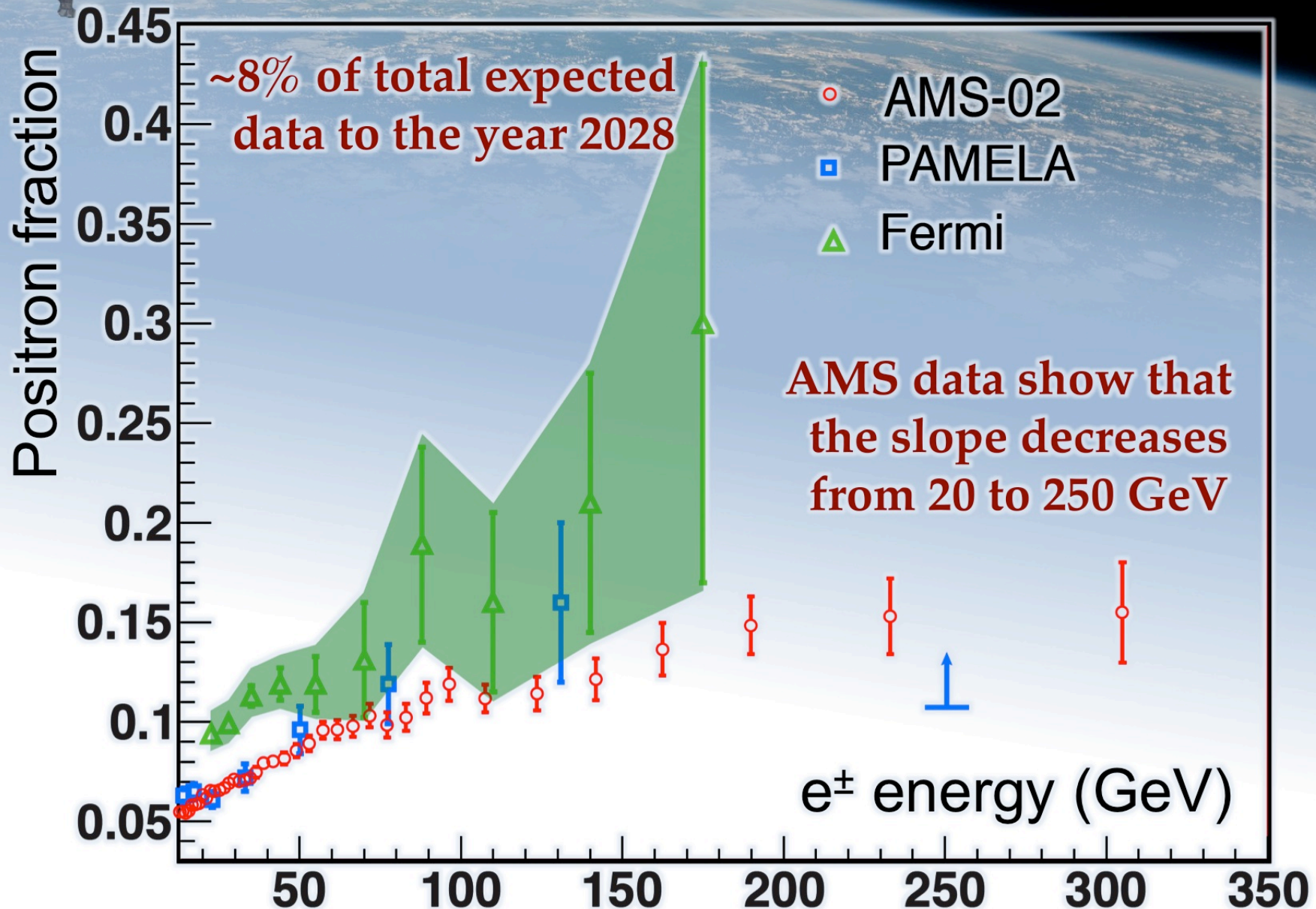


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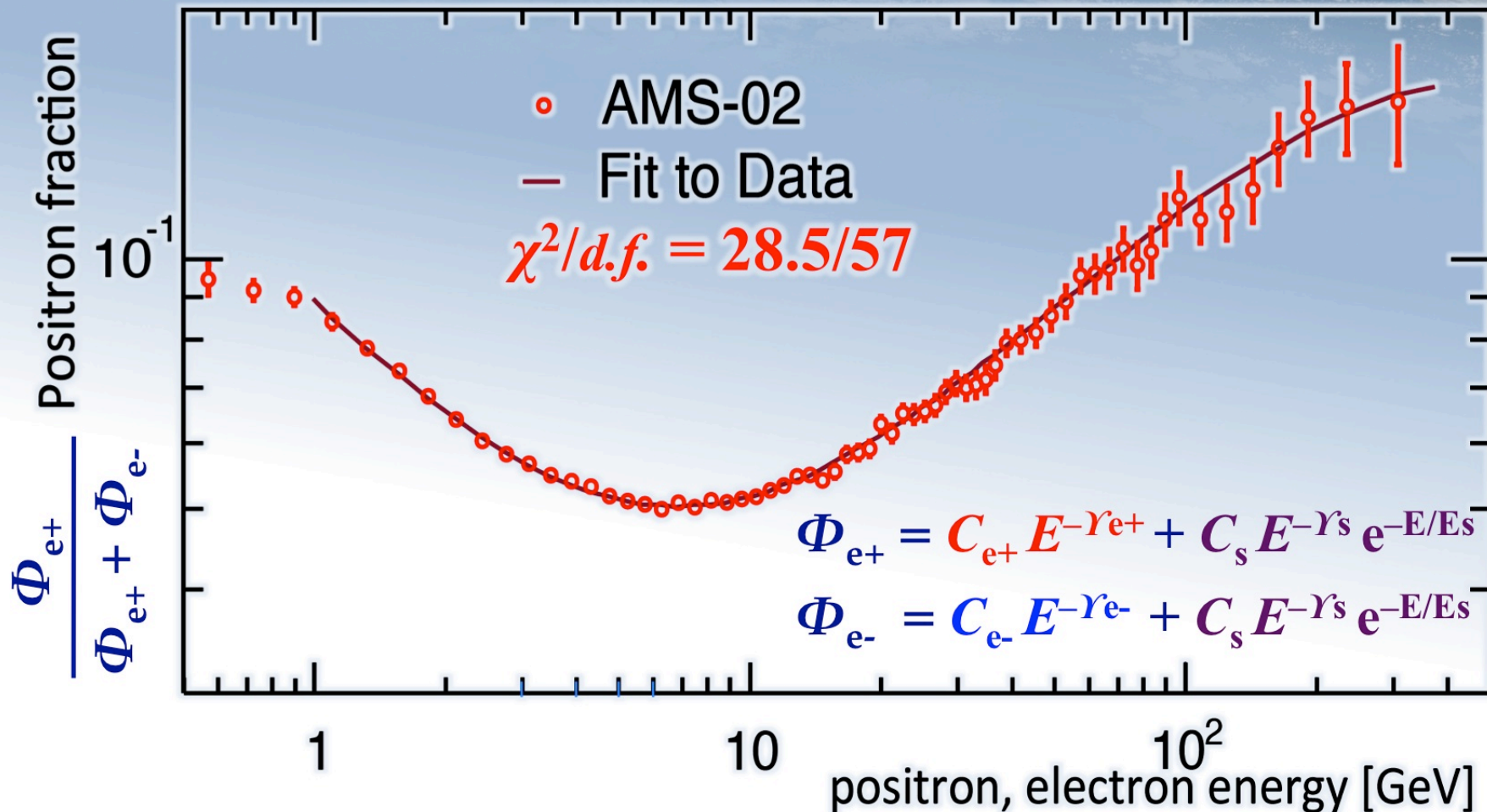




# Fit with minimal model

$$1/E_s = 0.0013 \pm 0.0007 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

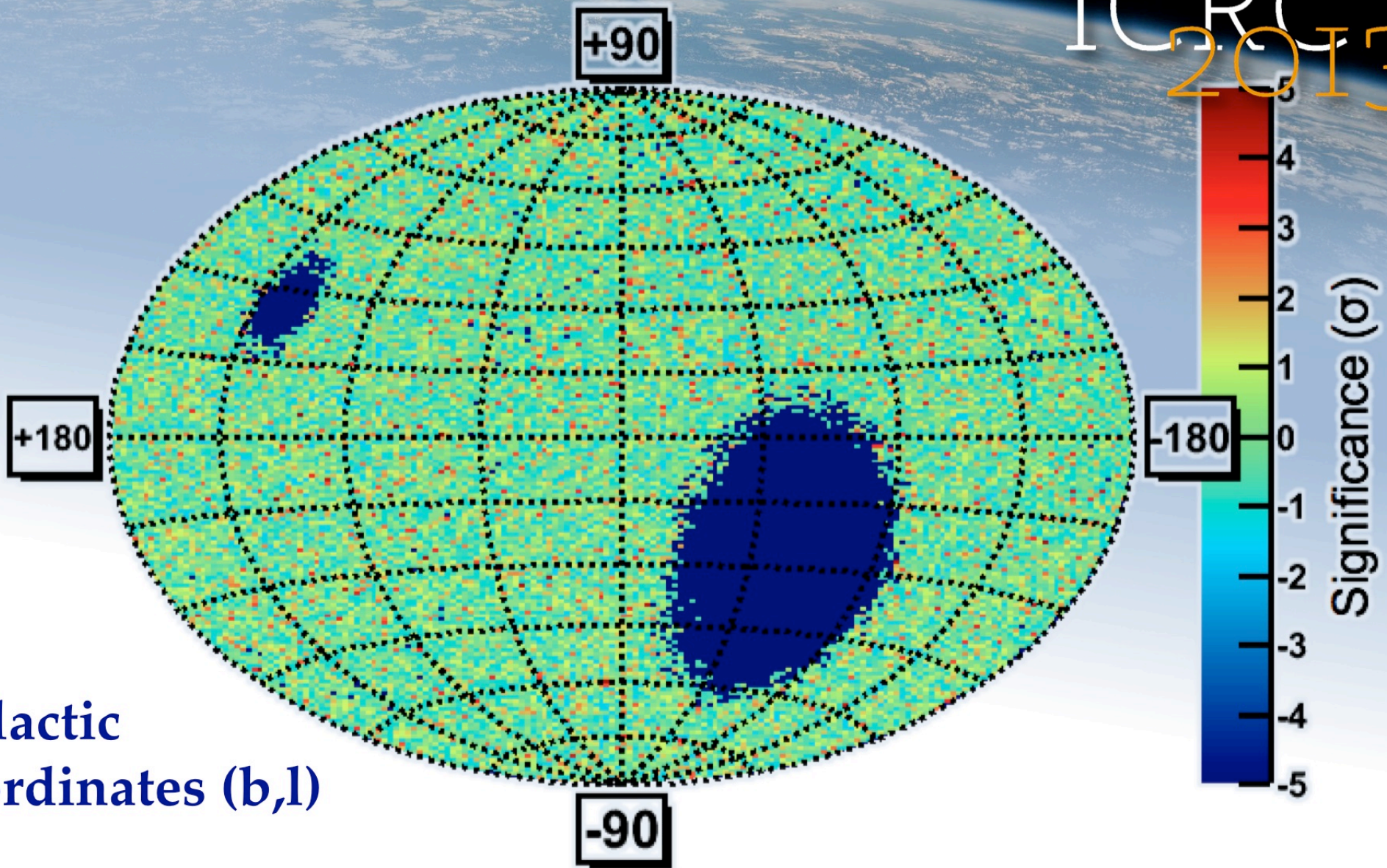
(Cutoff energy  $760^{+1000}_{-280} \text{ GeV}$ )





# Positron anisotropy

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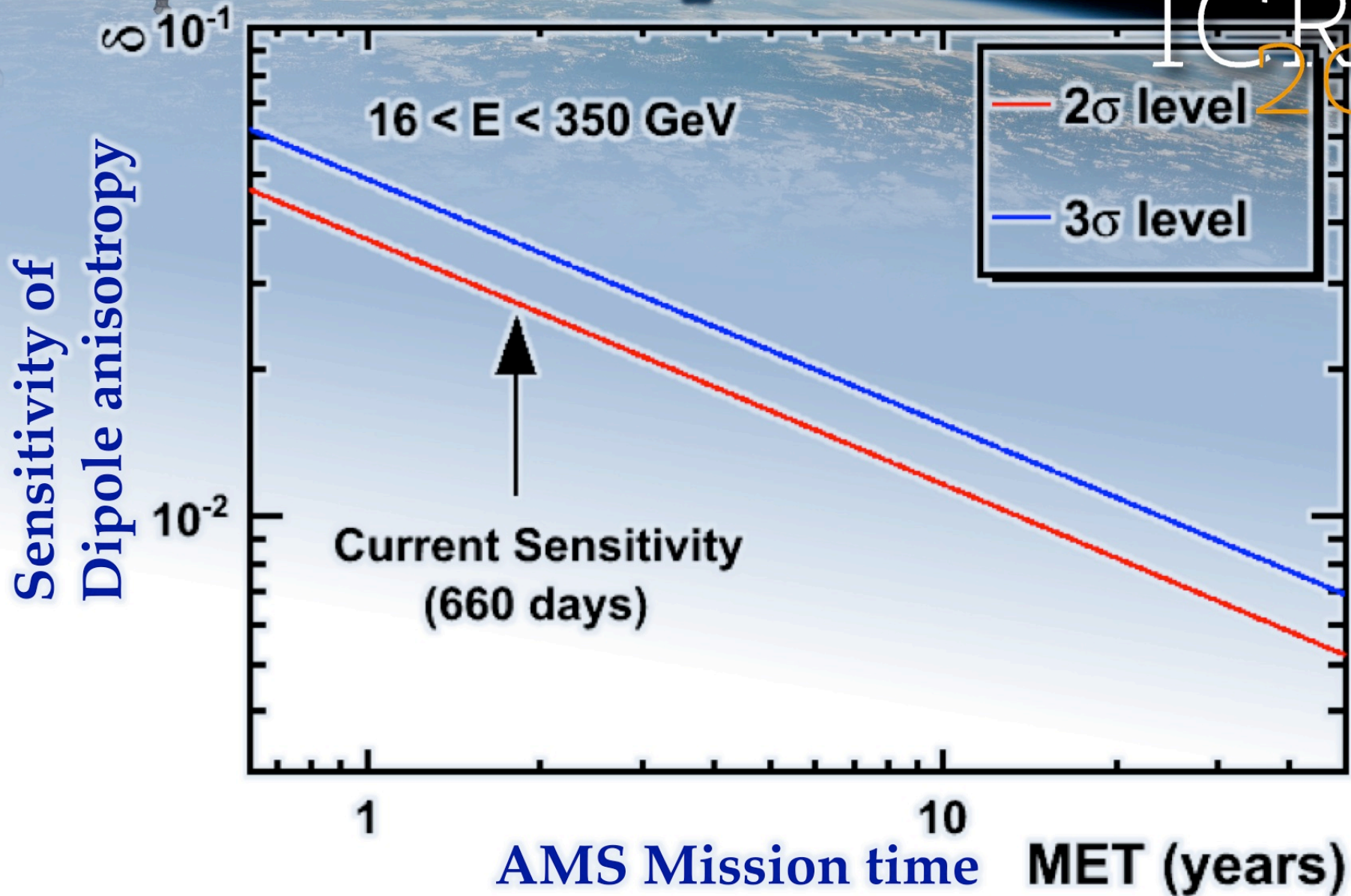


Galactic  
coordinates (b,l)



# AMS potential

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# Flux determination

$$F(E) = \frac{N}{T \cdot A \cdot \epsilon_{\text{trig.}} \cdot dE}$$

**F** : Absolute differential flux (m<sup>-2</sup>sr<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>GeV<sup>-1</sup>)

**R** : Measured energy (GeV)

**N** : Number of events after proton selection

**T** : Exposure life time (s)

**A** : Effective acceptance (m<sup>2</sup> sr)

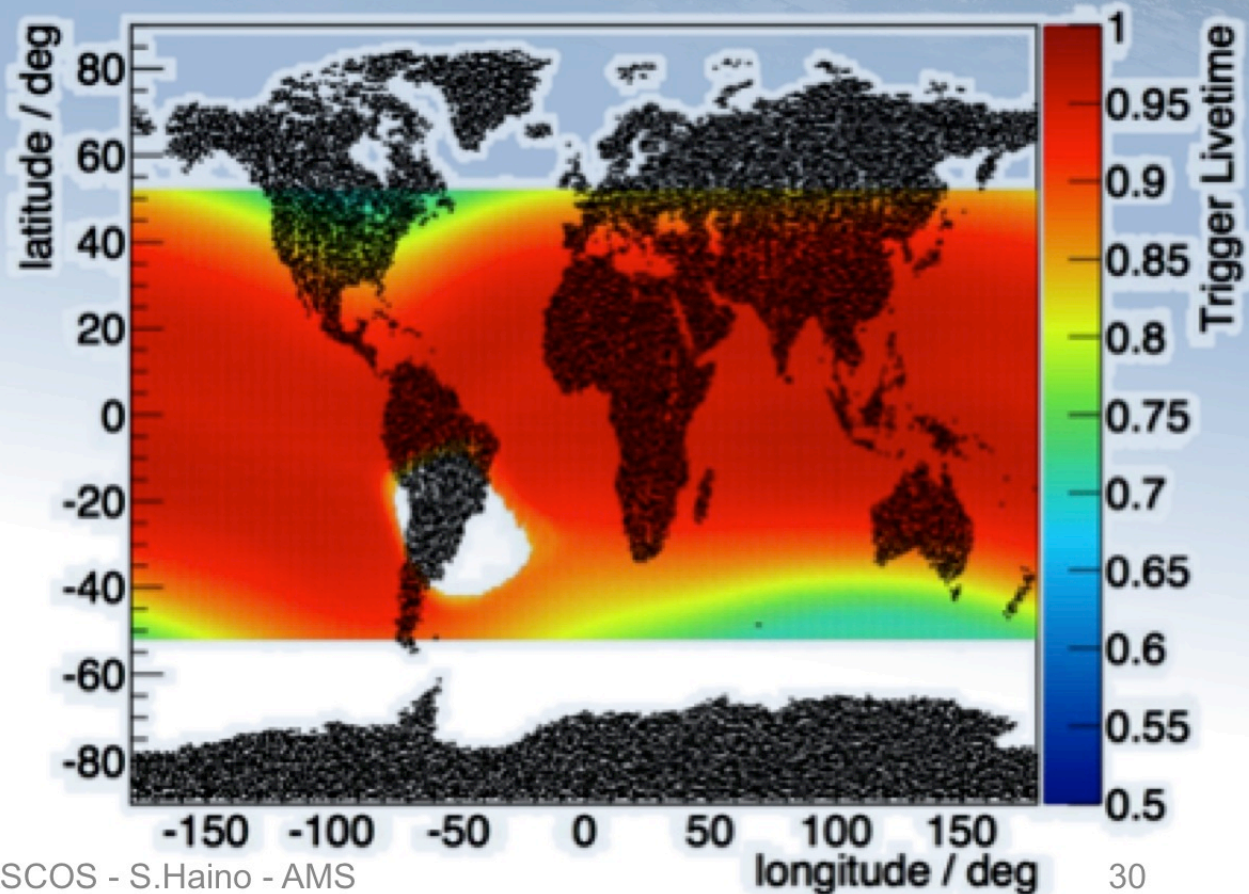
$\epsilon_{\text{trg.}}$  : Trigger efficiency

**dR** : Energy bin (GeV)



# Data period

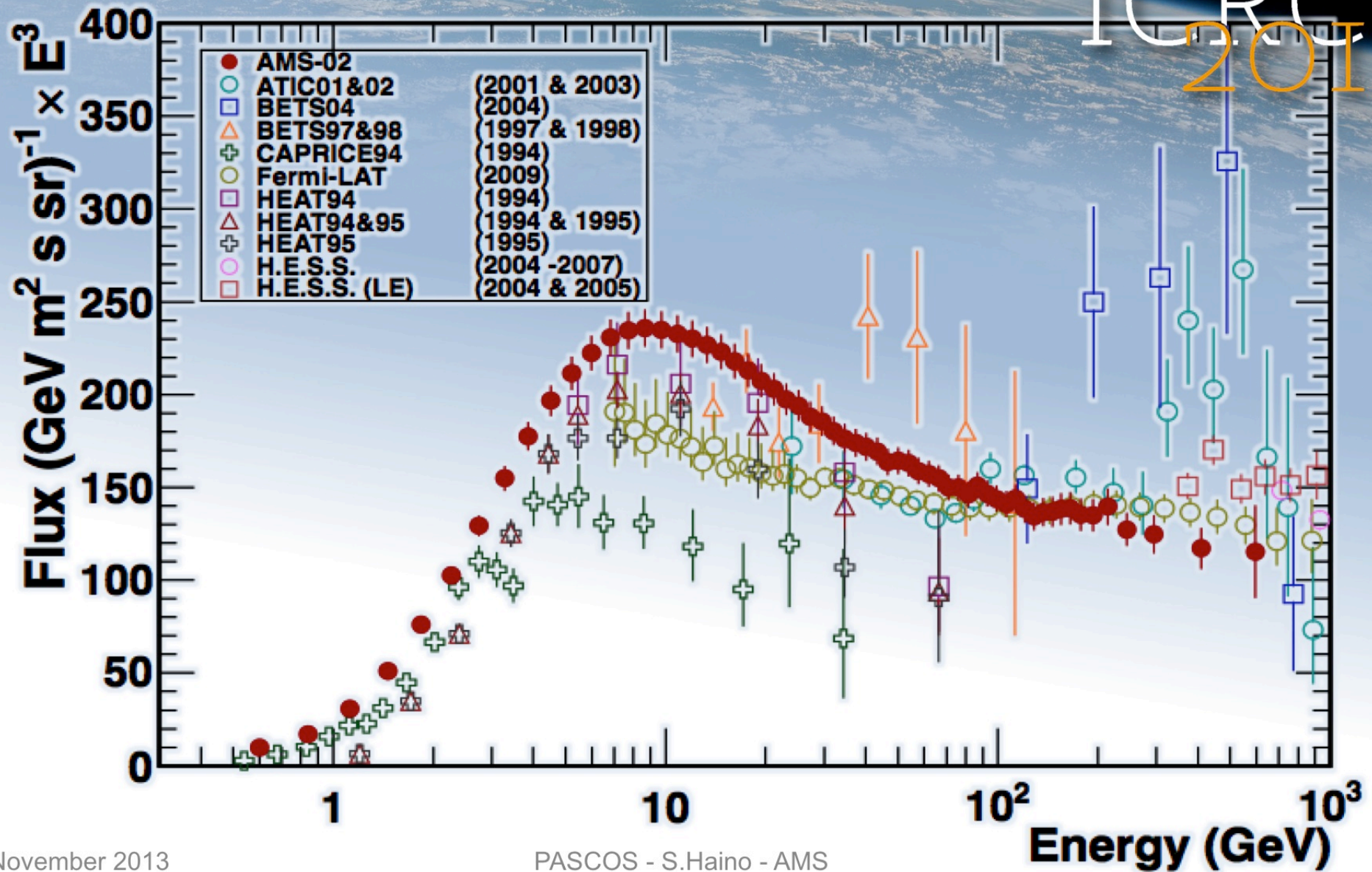
- Data taken from : **May 2011**  
to : **May 2013 (2 years)**
- Total exposure time :  
 **$51.2 \times 10^6$  sec**  
(R > 25 GV)
- Average live time fraction :  
**81.6 %**





# $e^+ + e^-$ flux

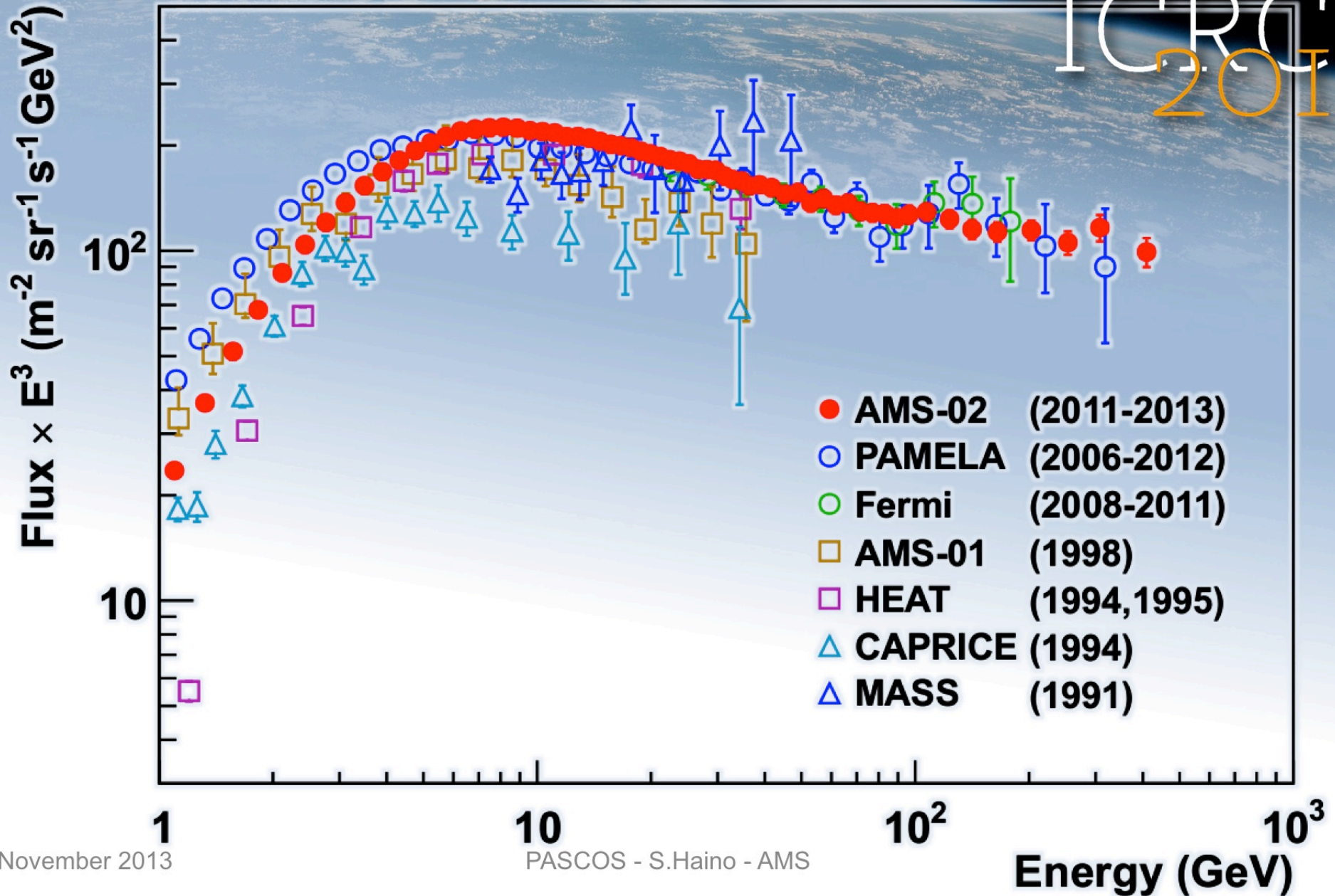
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# $e^-$ flux

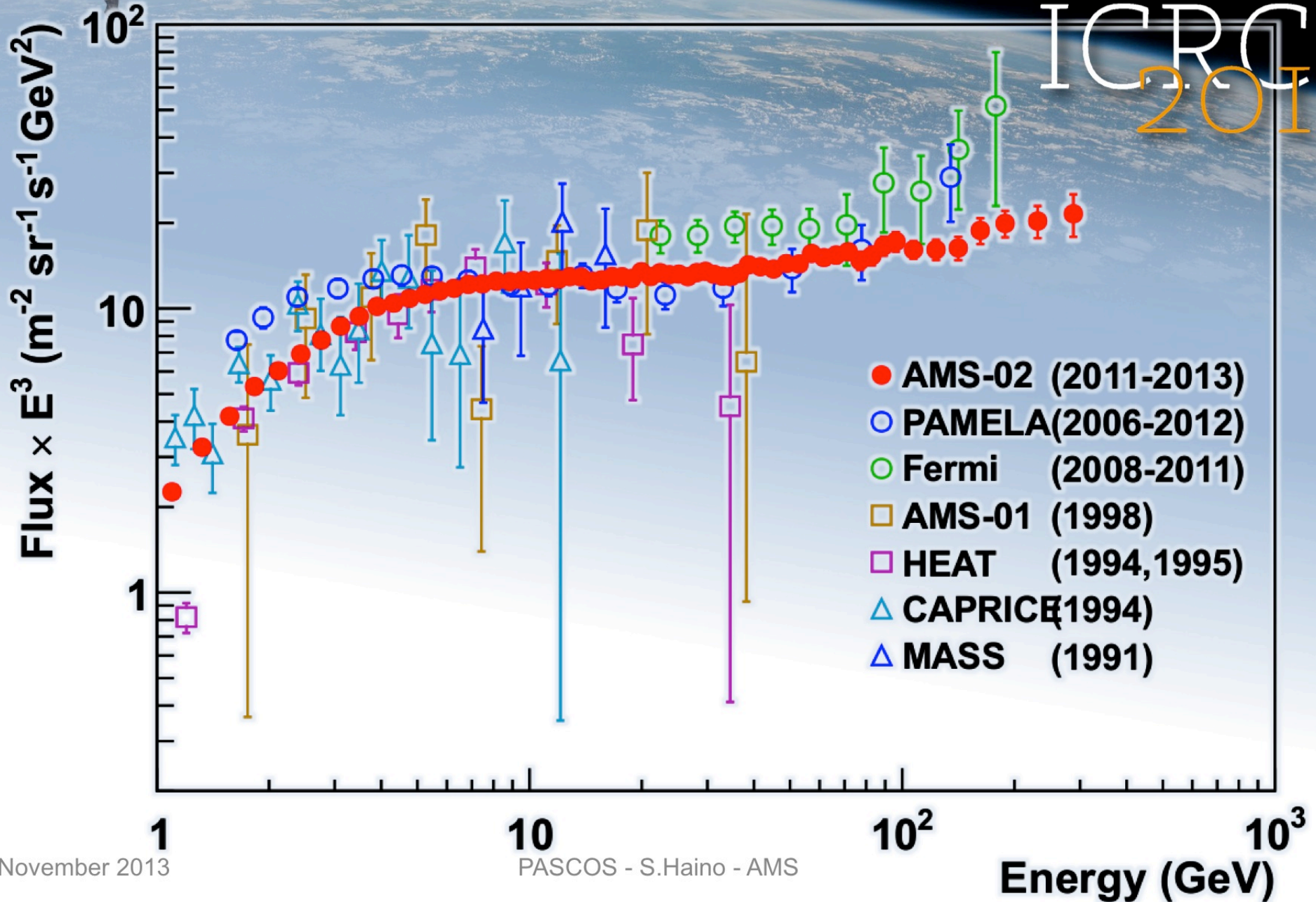
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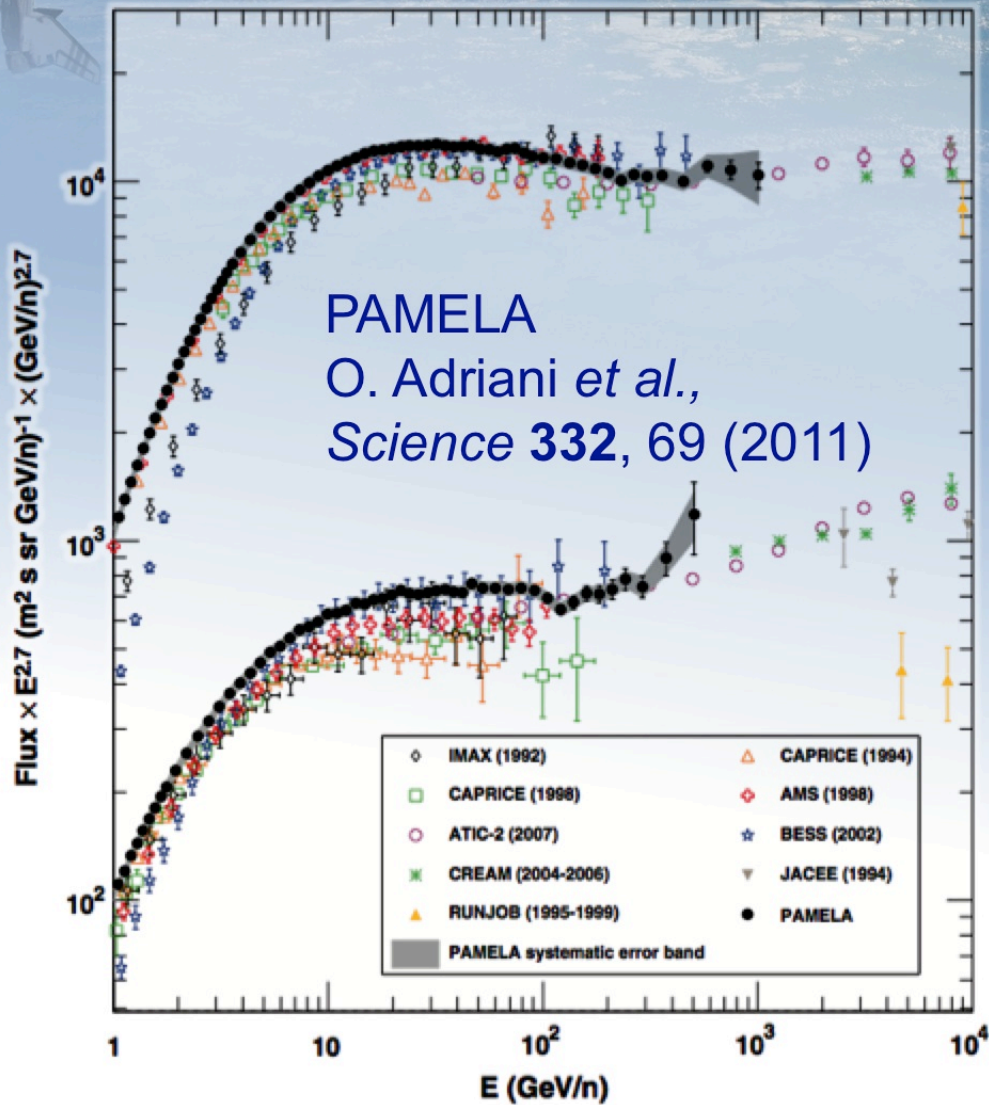
# $e^+$ flux

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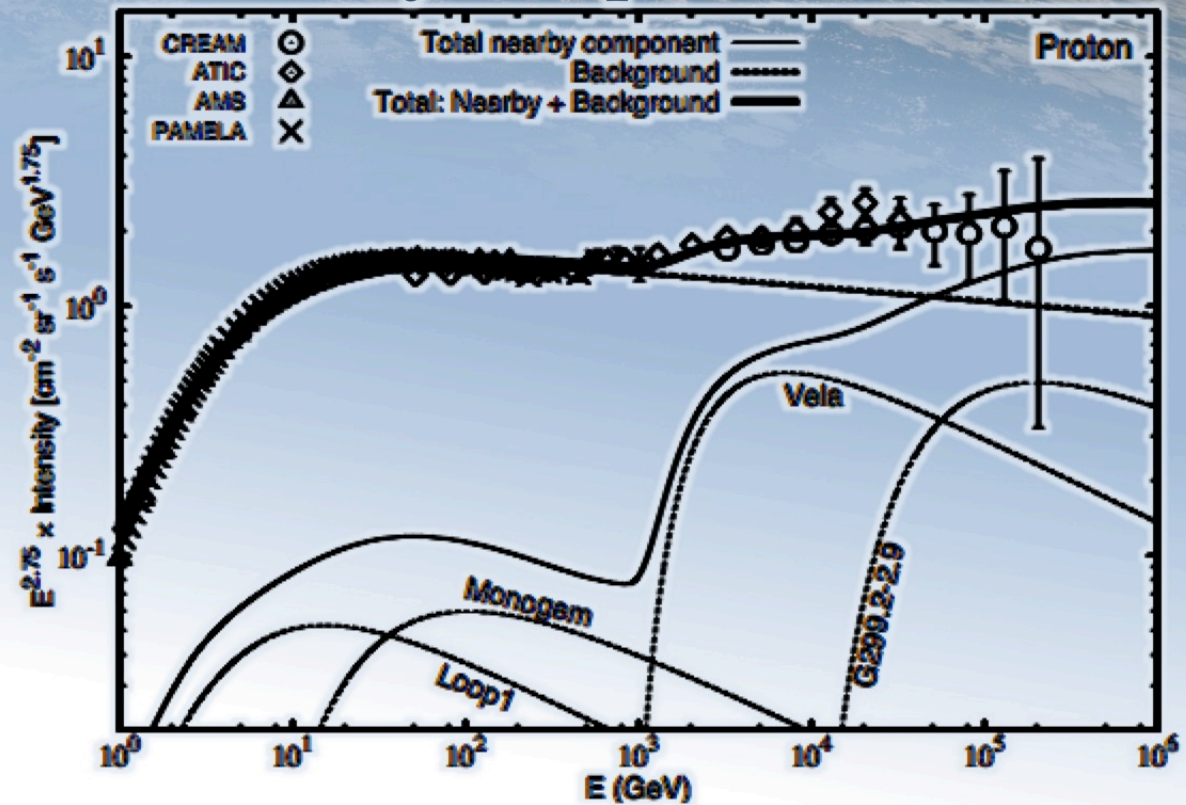




# Proton and He fluxes



## Proton flux model with nearby components



Satyendra Thoudam, Jorg R. Horandel  
arXiv:1304.1400



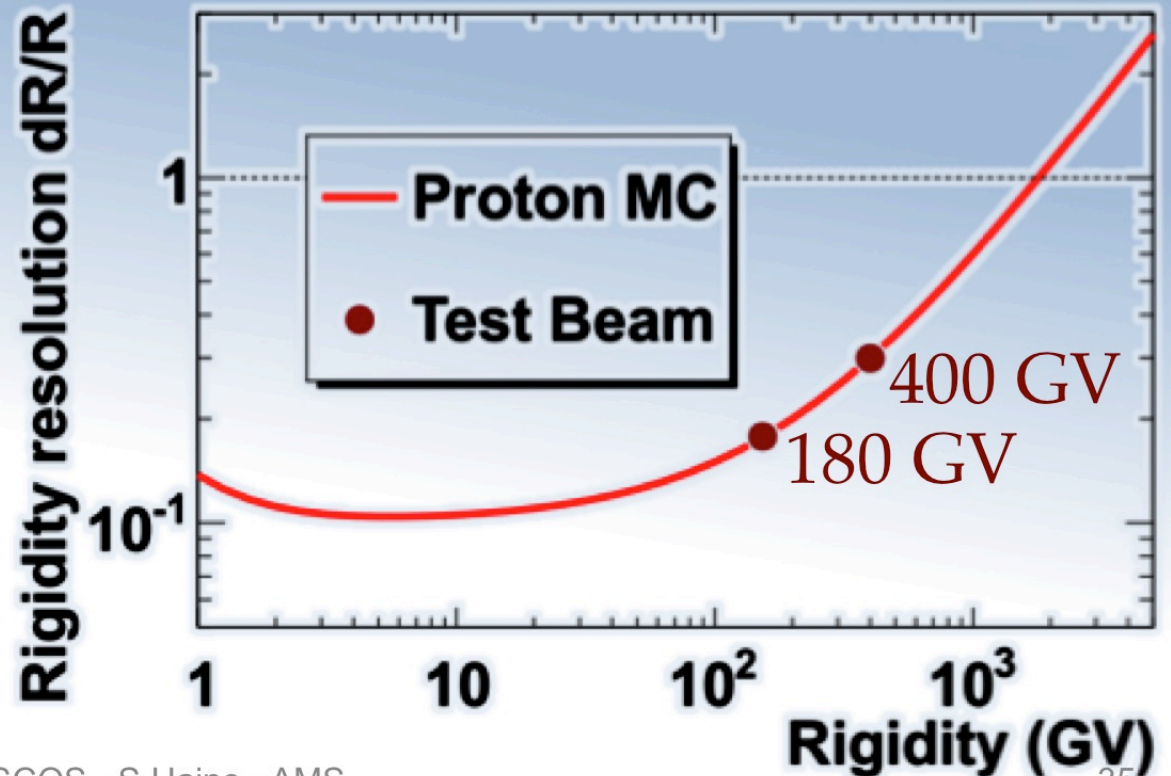
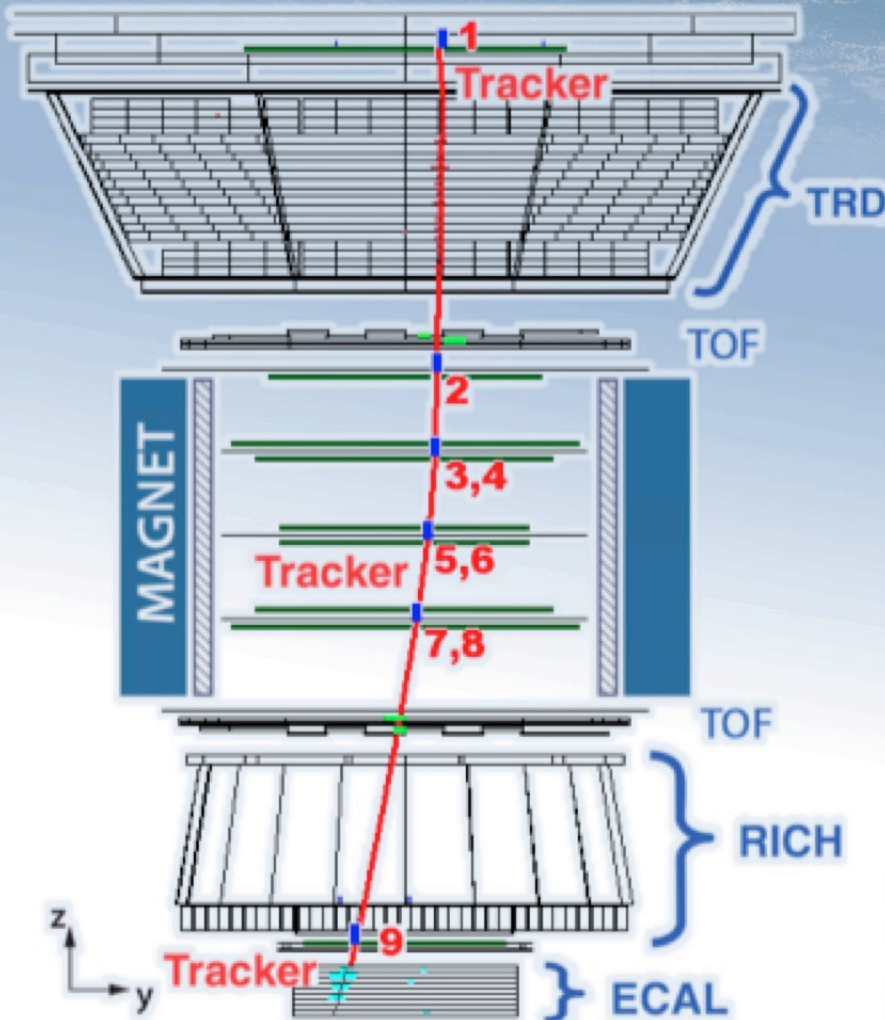
# Rigidity Measurement

$$B_x = \sim 0.14 \text{ T} \quad L = \sim 3 \text{ m}$$

$$\sigma_y = \sim 10 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\text{MDR} : \sim 2 \text{ TV (p)}$$

$$\sim 3.2 \text{ TV (He)}$$

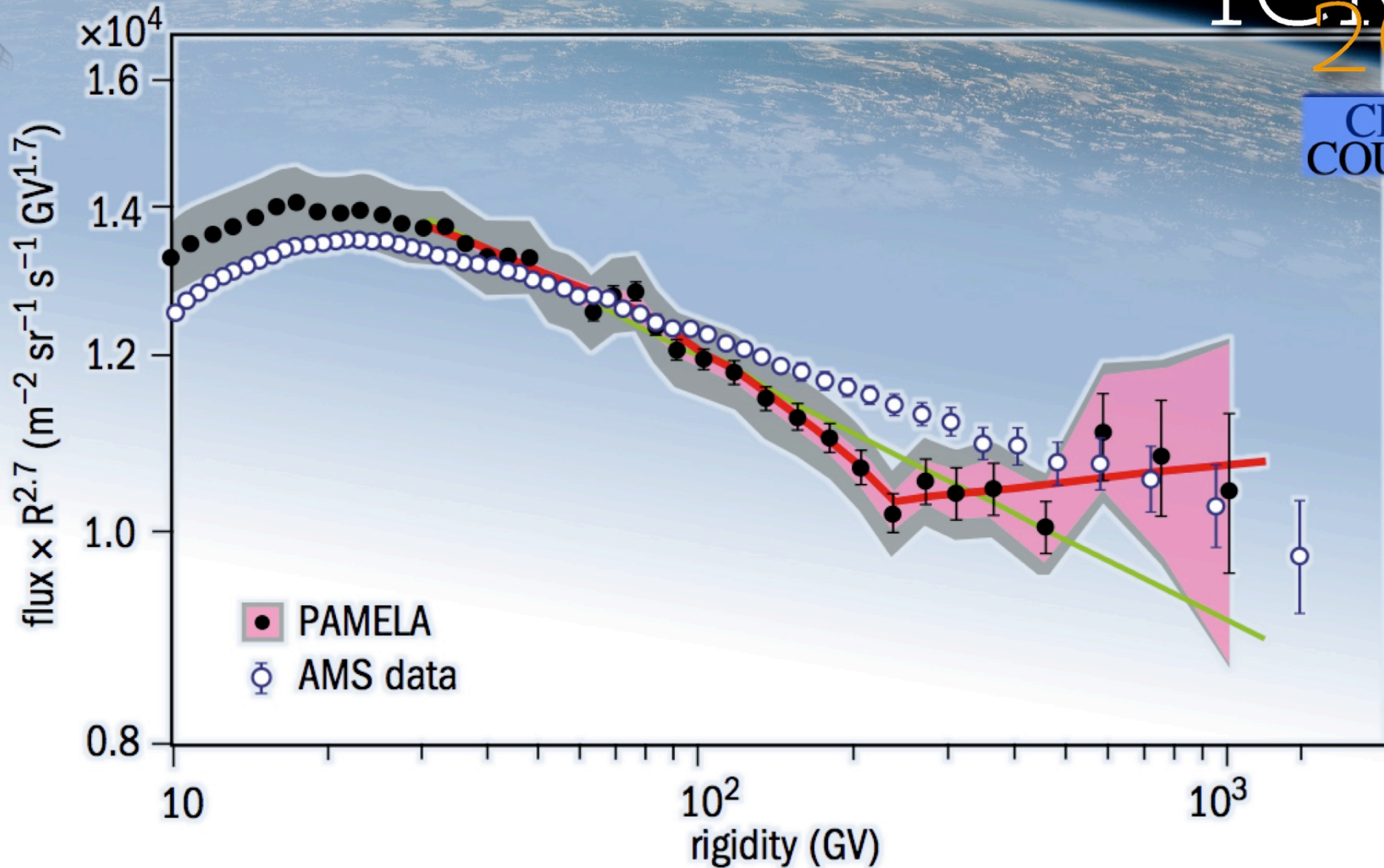




# Proton flux

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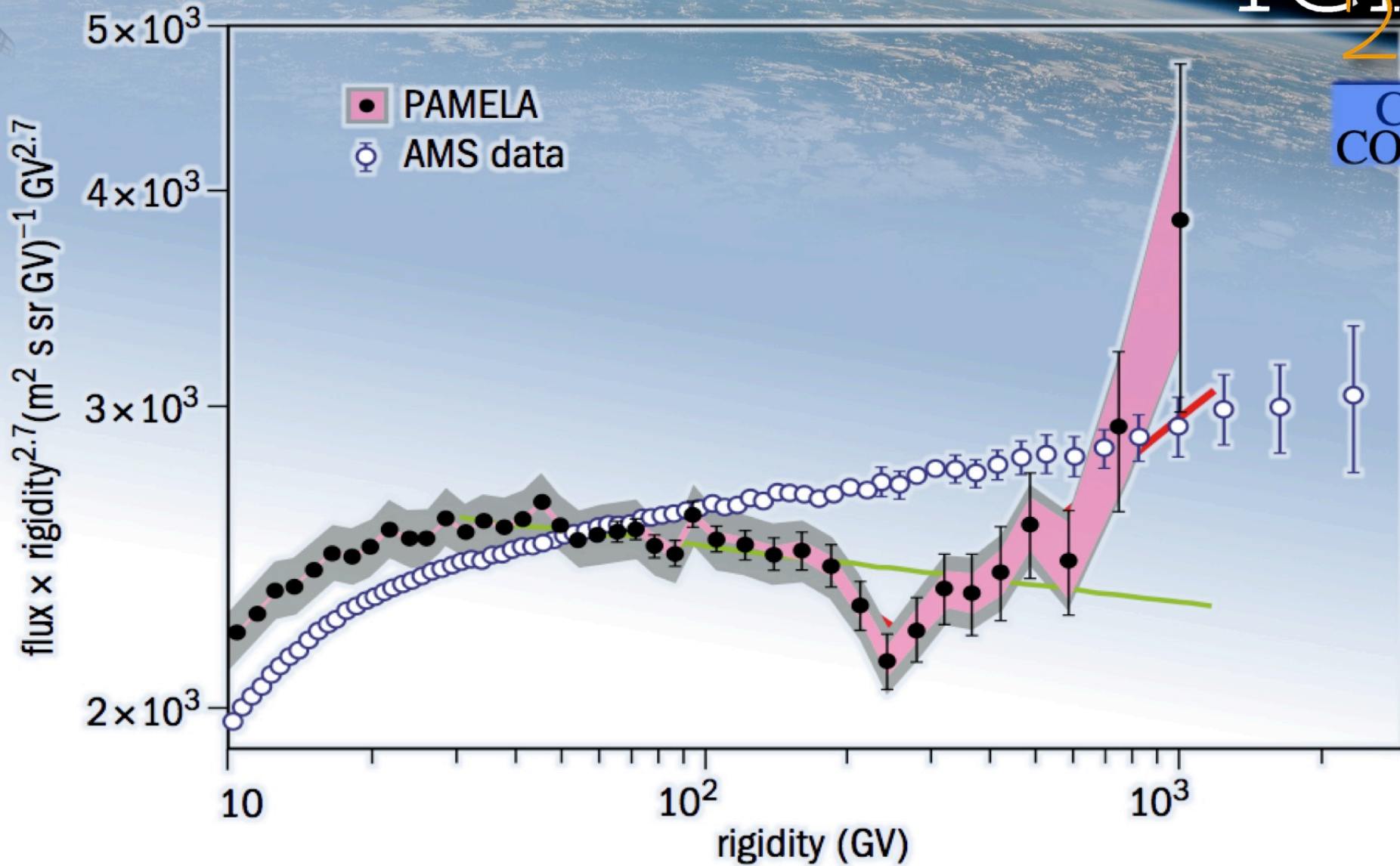




# He flux

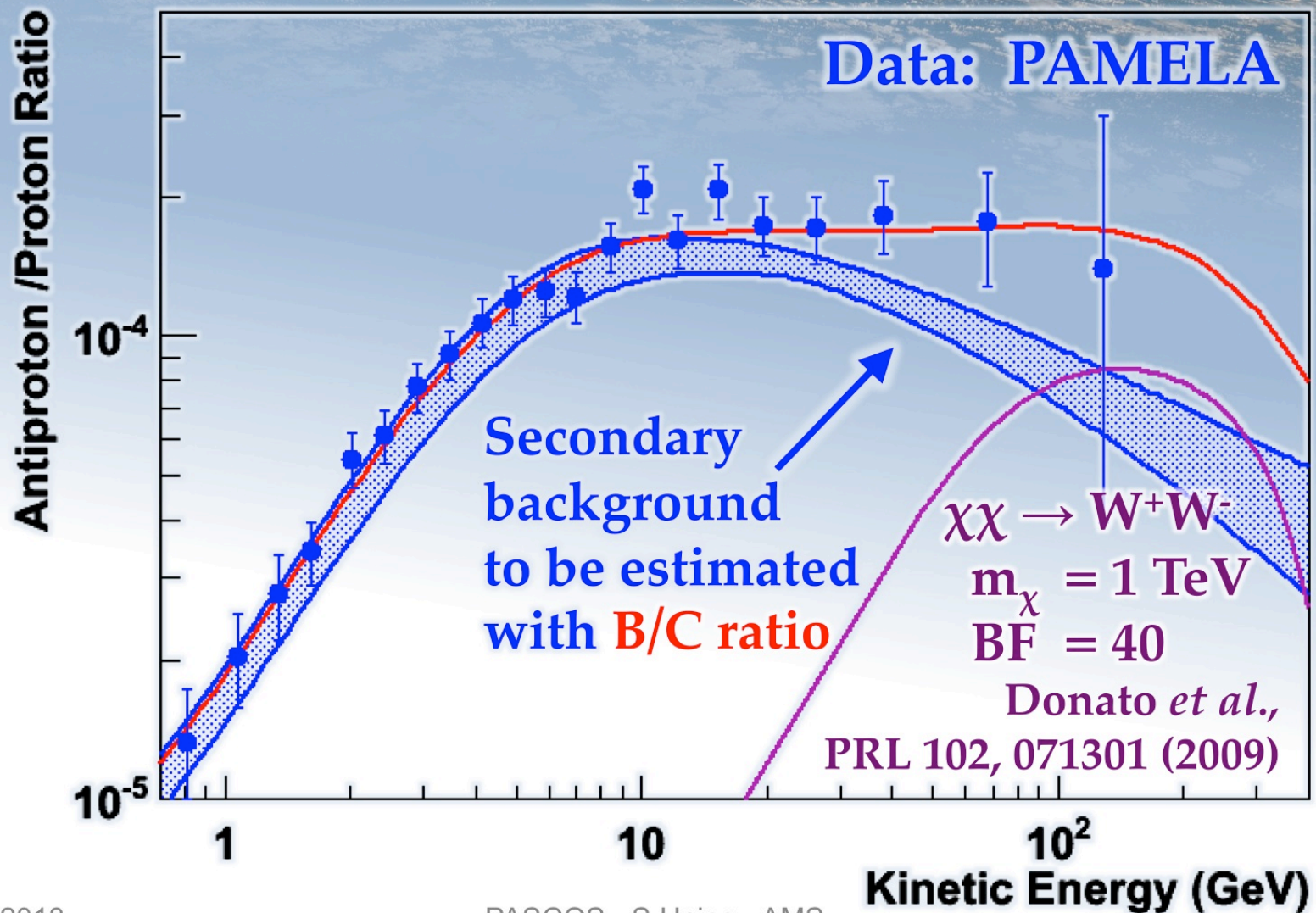
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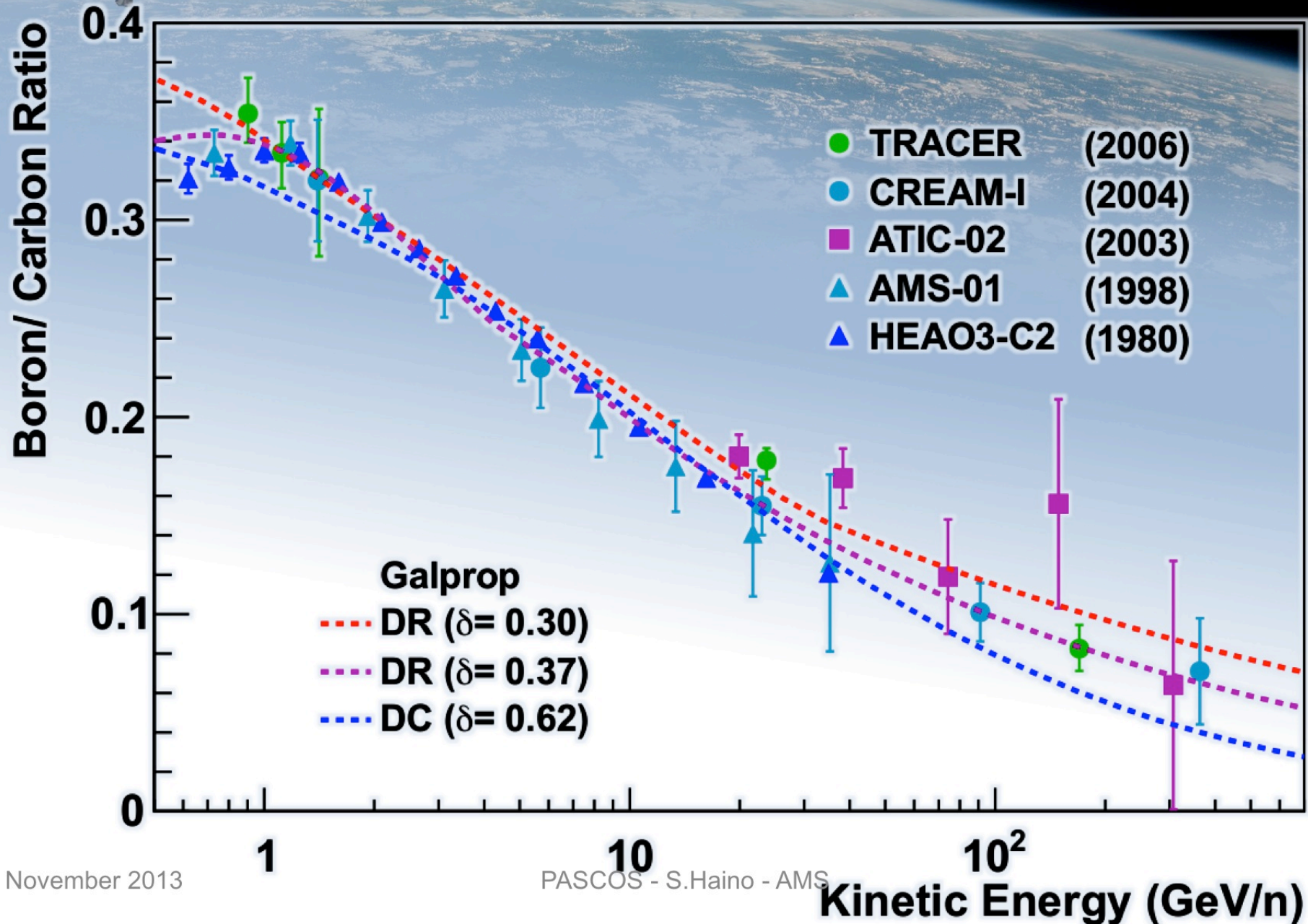


# DM search with antiprotons





# B/C ratio – before AMS

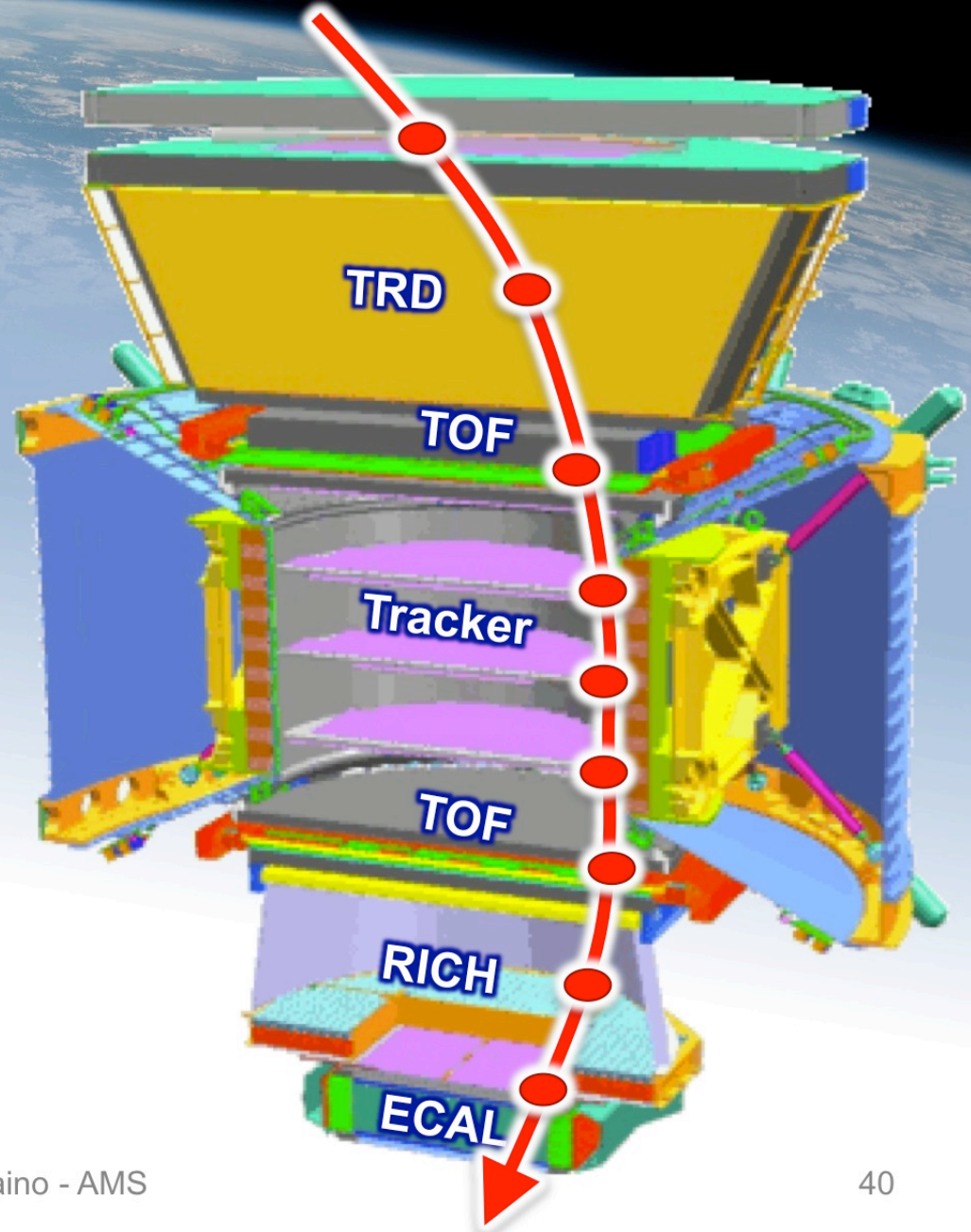




# Multiple charge measurements

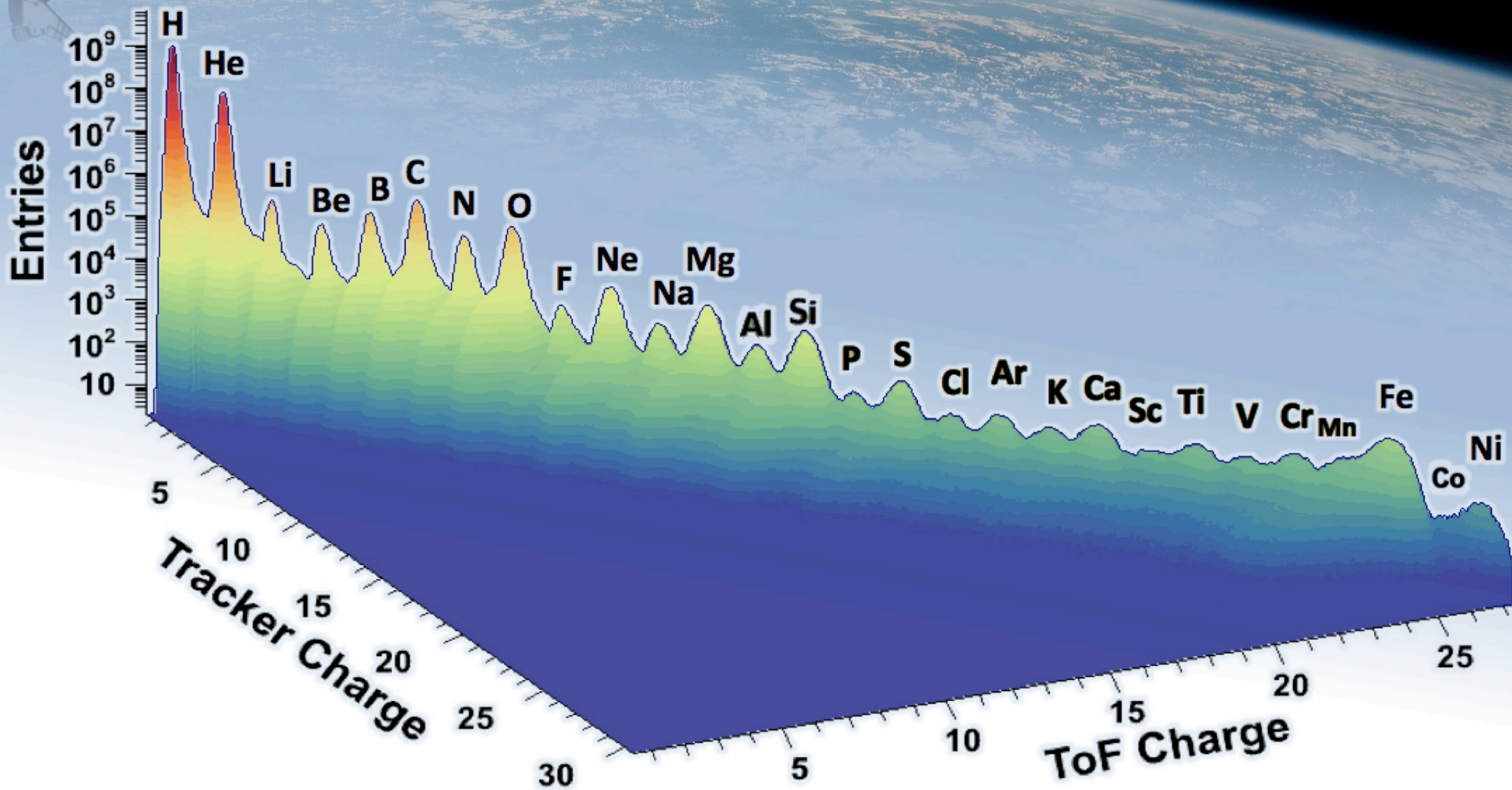
Charge resolution  $\Delta Z$  (au)  
for Carbon ( $Z=6$ )

- Tracker plane 1 : 0.30
- TRD : 0.33
- Upper TOF : 0.17
- Inner plane 2-8 : 0.15
- Lower TOF : 0.20
- RICH : 0.32
- Tracker plane 9 : 0.30





# Nuclei identification in AMS

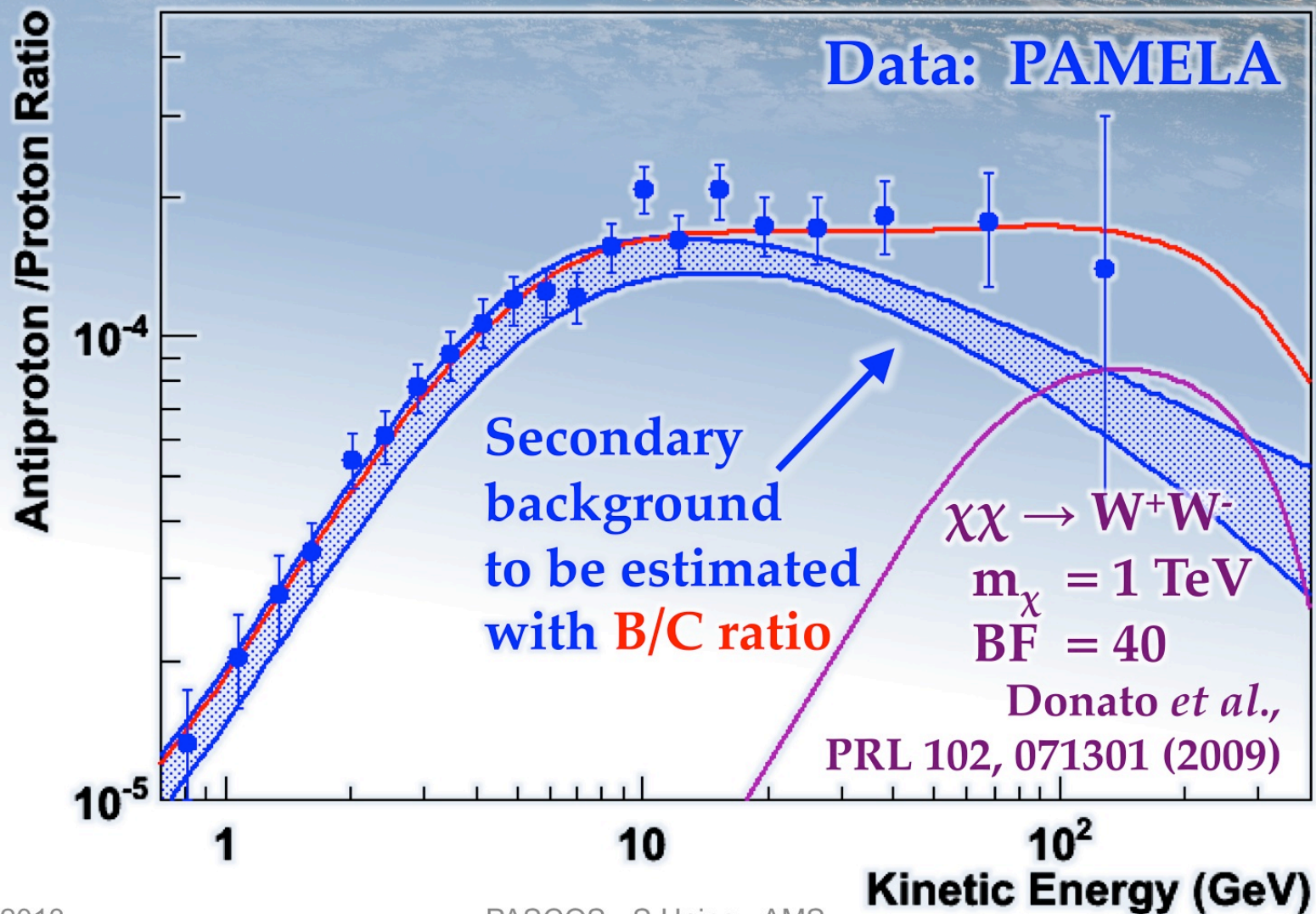






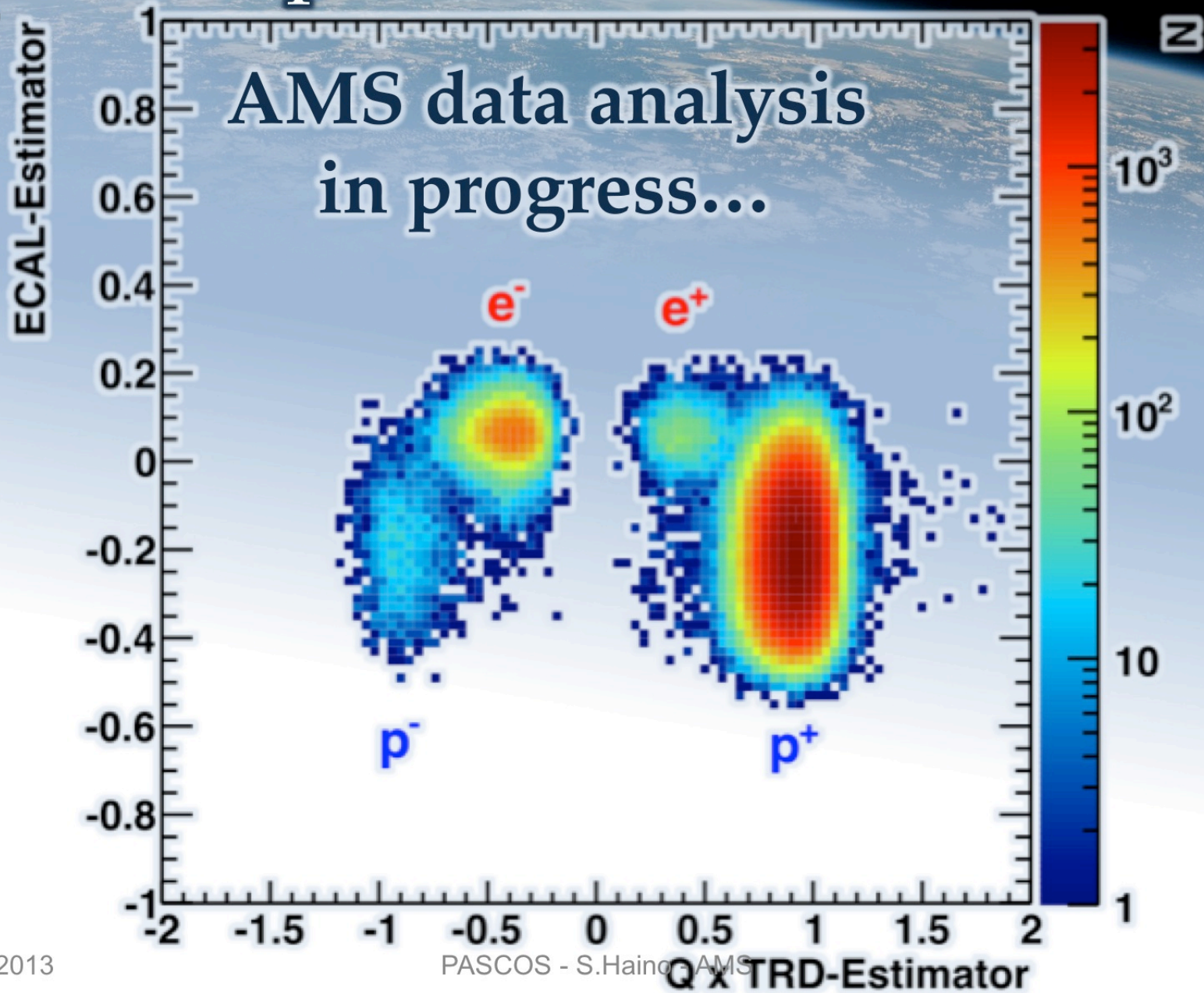


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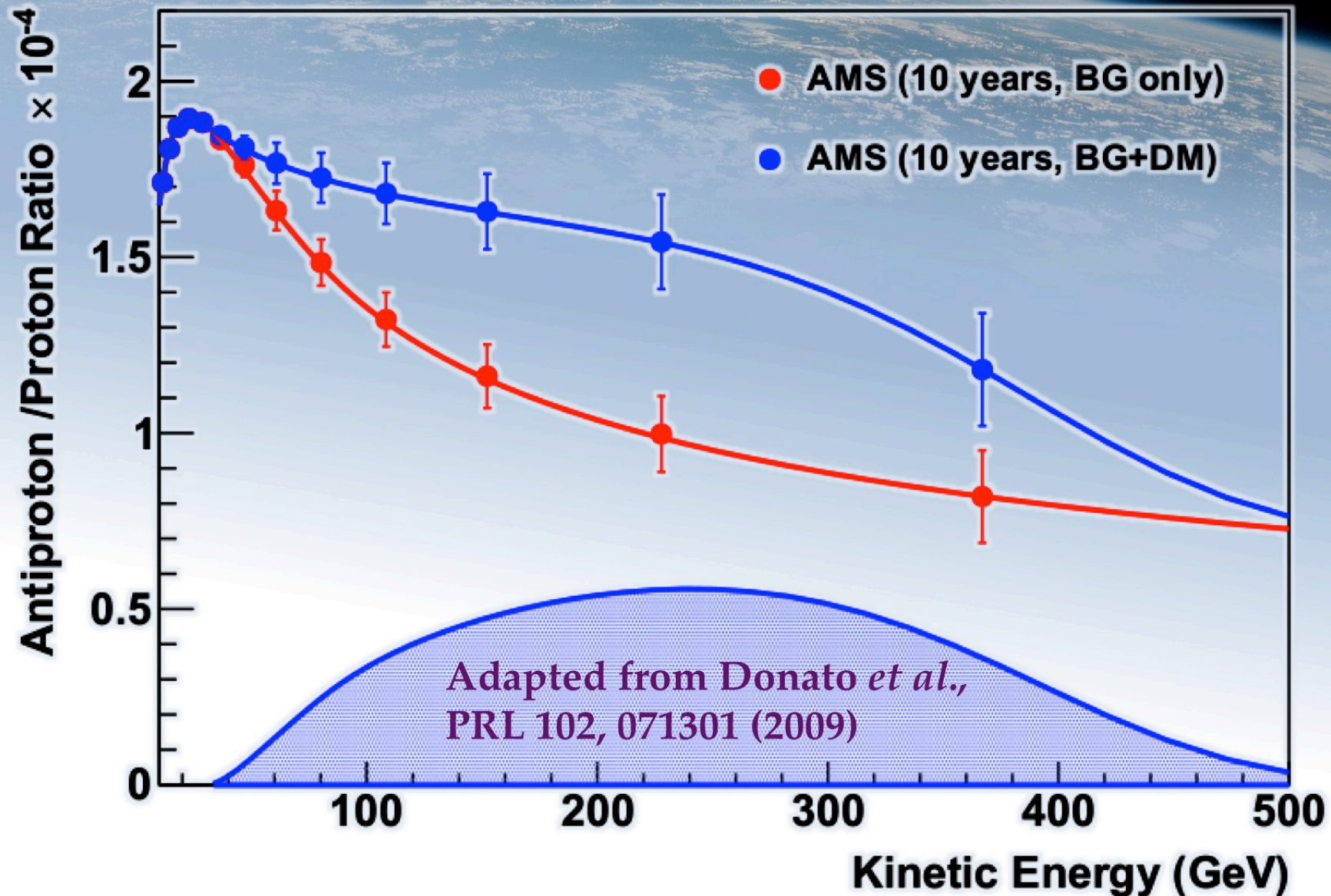


# Antiproton identification





# AMS Potential of DM search





# The Cosmos is the Ultimate Laboratory.

The most exciting objective of AMS is to probe the unknown; to search for phenomena which exist in nature that we have not yet imagined nor had the tools to discover ...

S.Ting

