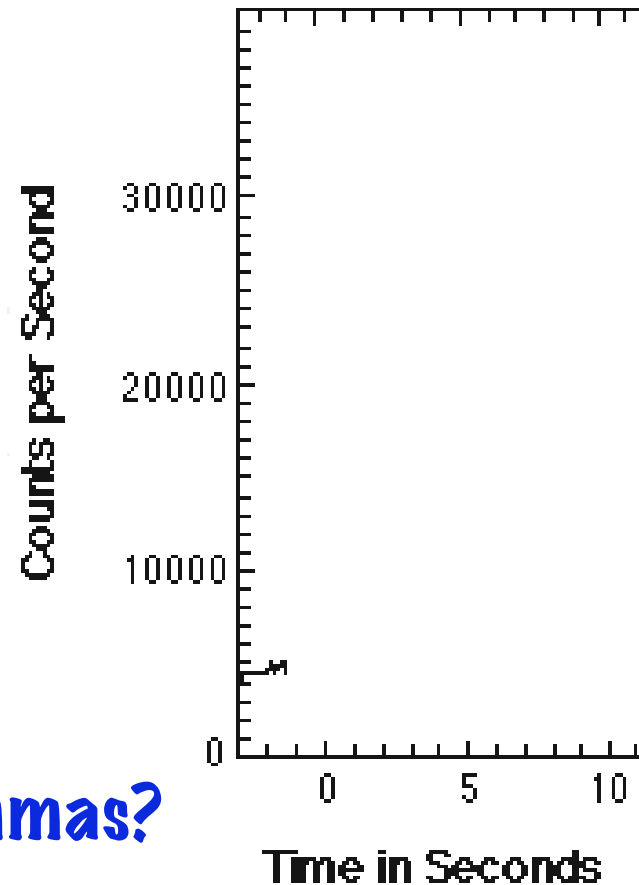
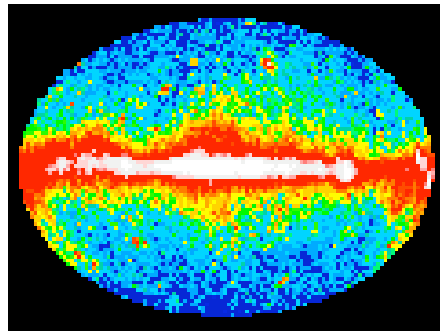


# VHE $\gamma$ Emission from GRB

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*Pennsylvania State University*

# GRB @ MeV photon energies

For seconds, they dominate the  $\gamma$ -ray brightness of the *entire* Universe ... may also imply **CR luminous**

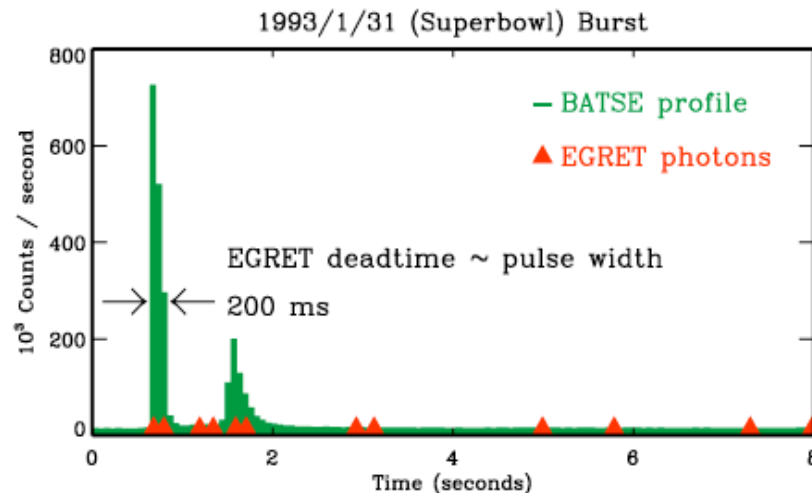
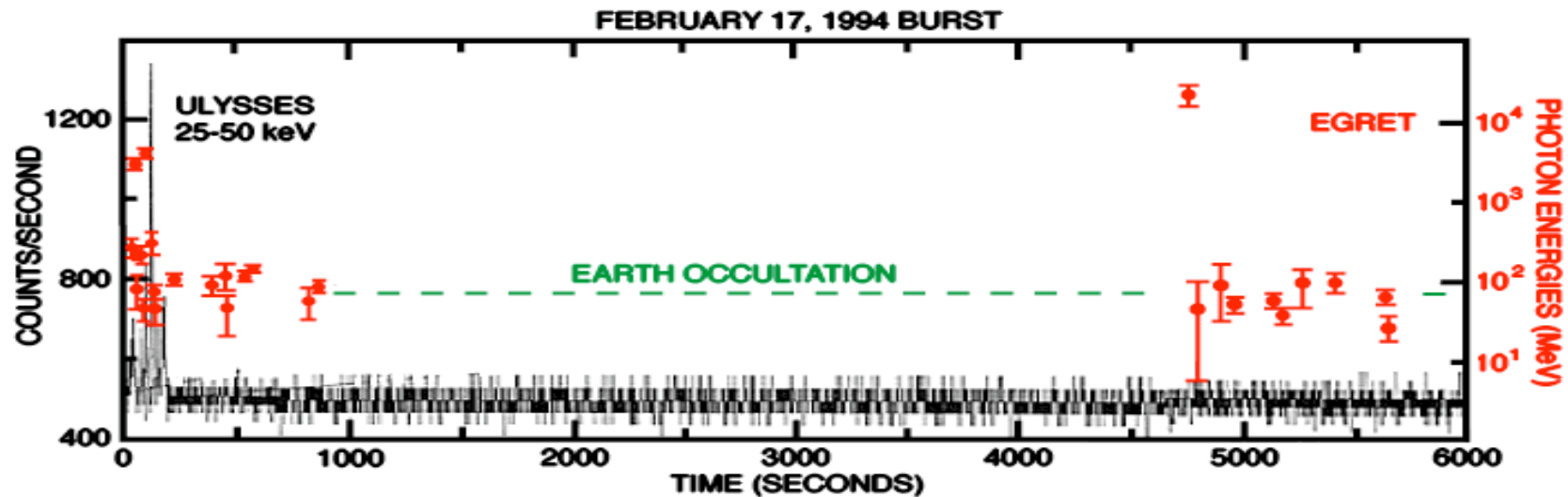


So, what about GeV-TeV gammas?

(T. DeYoung)

Mészáros grb-glast06

# Two EGRET ( $\sim 10$ GeV) Bursts



- $>10$  GeV photons can last for  $> 1$  hr, start w. MeV trigger
- Considerable energy at 100 MeV-10 GeV

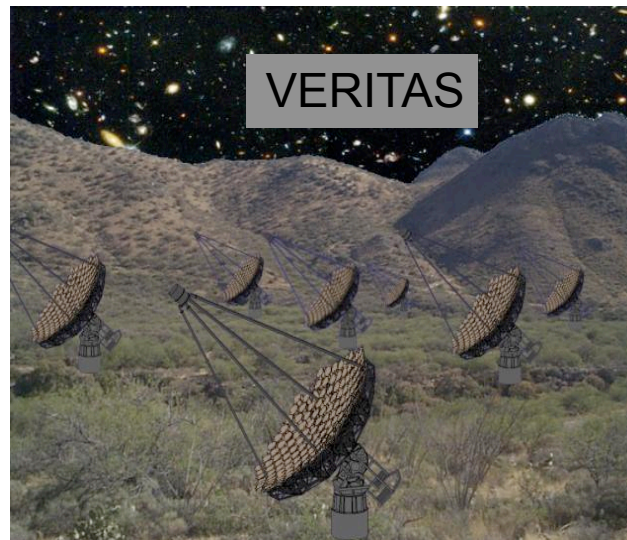
# GeV-TeV $\gamma$ experiments underway



**Cherenkov  
Telescopes**

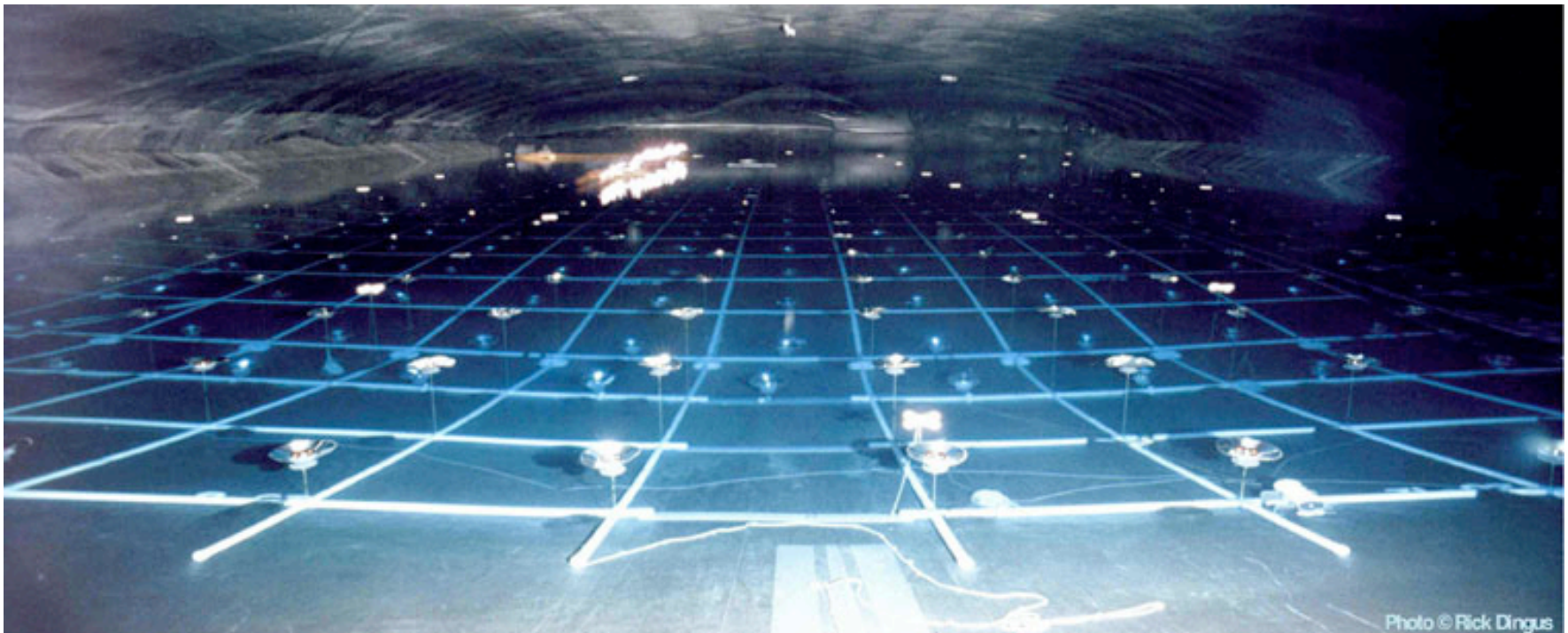
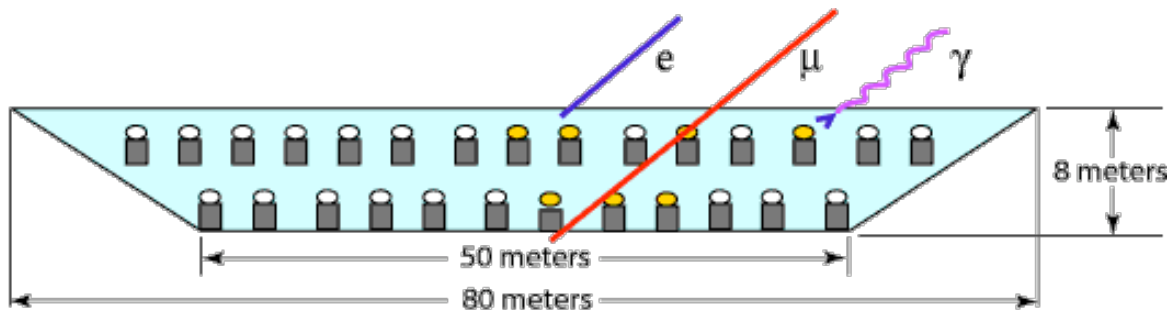
← **Water**

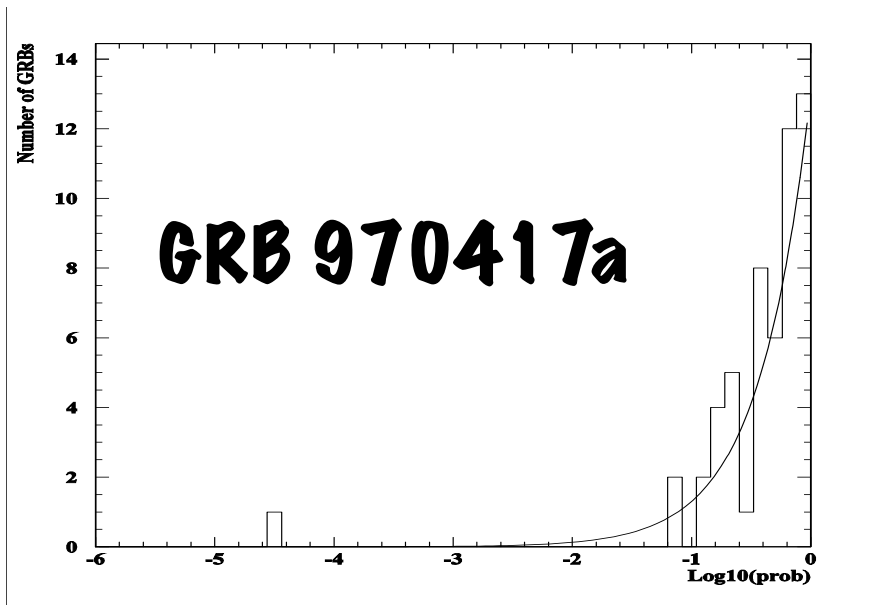
**Air** →



# MILAGRO

Water Cherenkov  
LANL

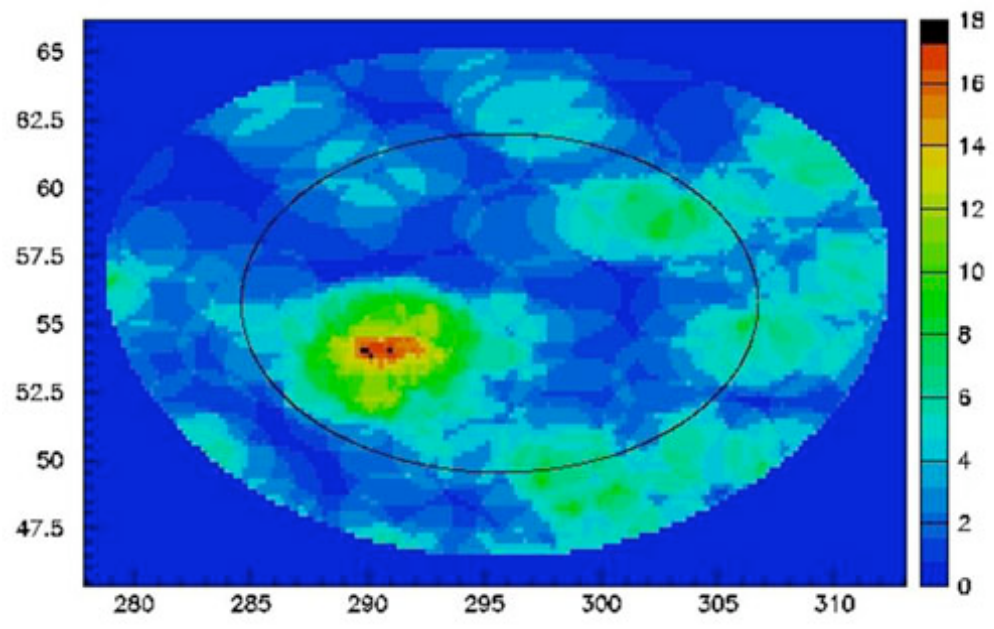




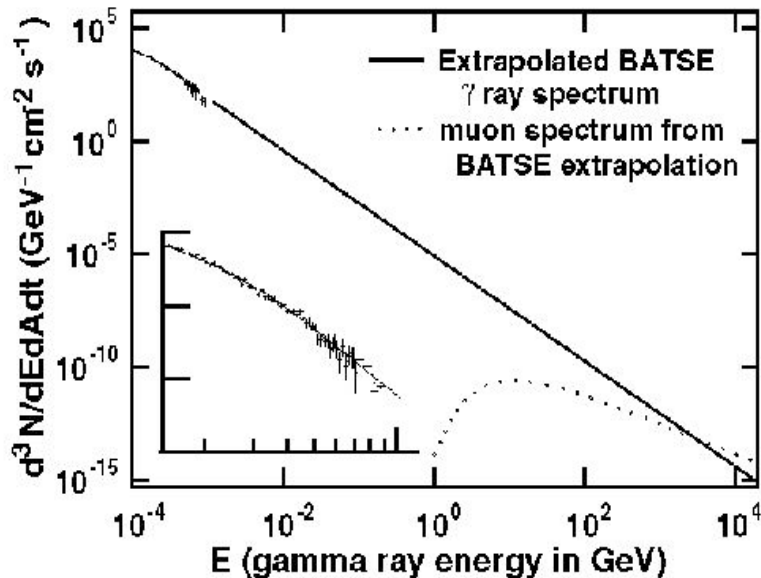
# TeV GRB Detection Status

- **Milagrito** :  
Tentative ( $3\sigma$ )  
TeV detection ;  
 $F_{\text{TeV}} \sim 10 F_{\text{MeV}}$ ;  
but no redshift  
(no absorption:  
 $D < 100$  Mpc?)

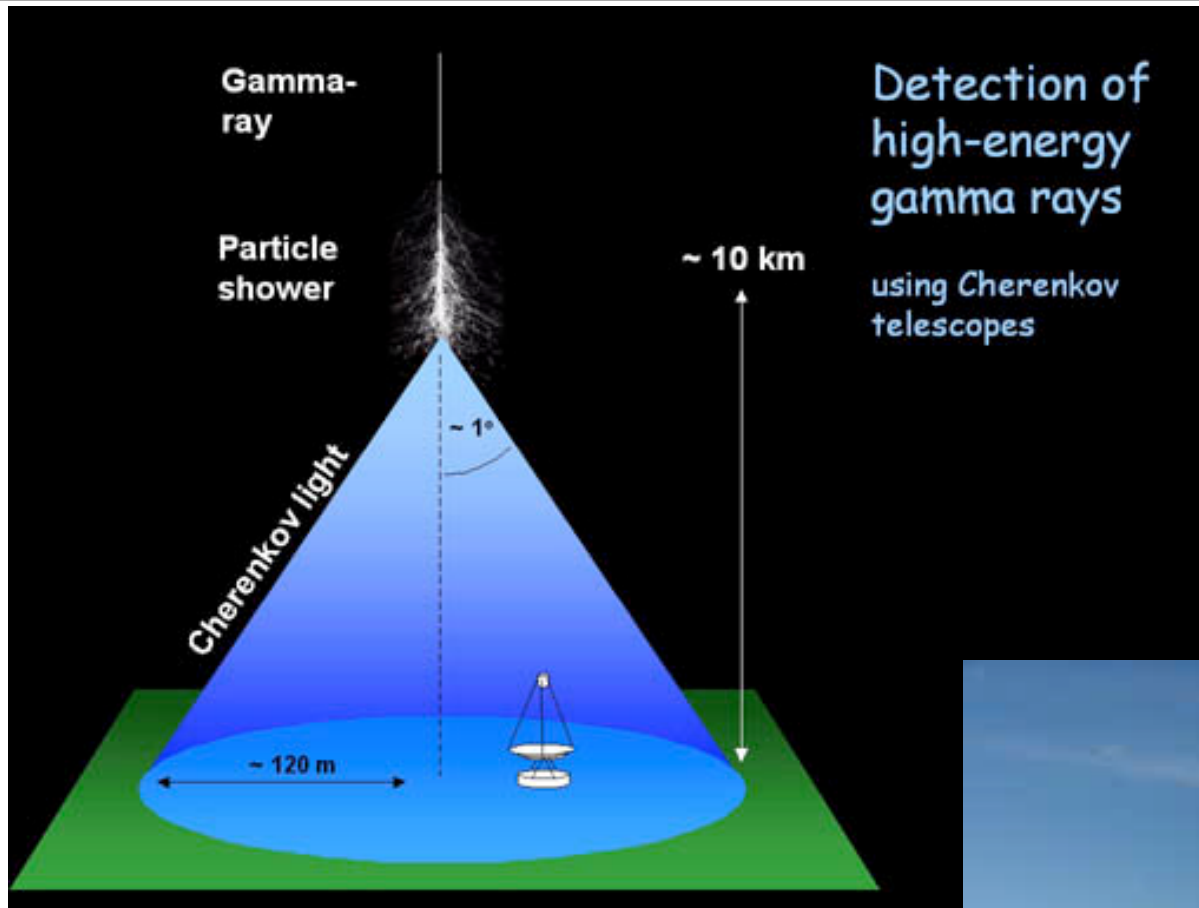
Atkins et al, 00, ApJL..



# TeV GRB detection status (cont.)



- **GRAND**: GRB 971110
  - reported det. at **2.7  $\sigma$**   
(Poirier et al PRD 03, aph/0004379)
  - modeling requires various assumptions, some severe (Fragile et al 03):
- **Tibet** array: superpose 50-60 bursts in coincid. w. MeV: joint significance **7 $\sigma$  ?** (Amenomori et al 01)
- **ARGO-YBJ** array (Tibet), 6700 m<sup>2</sup> area, 4.3 km alt.,  $E_{\text{thresh}} \sim 1$  GeV ; resistive plate chambers (RPC); observed 16 GRB Dec 04-May 06 in coincid. w. Swift; **no detection**, fluence upper limit  $F < 10^{-4}$  erg cm<sup>-2</sup> (1-100 GeV) (Di Sciascio, et al aph/0609317)



# ACT

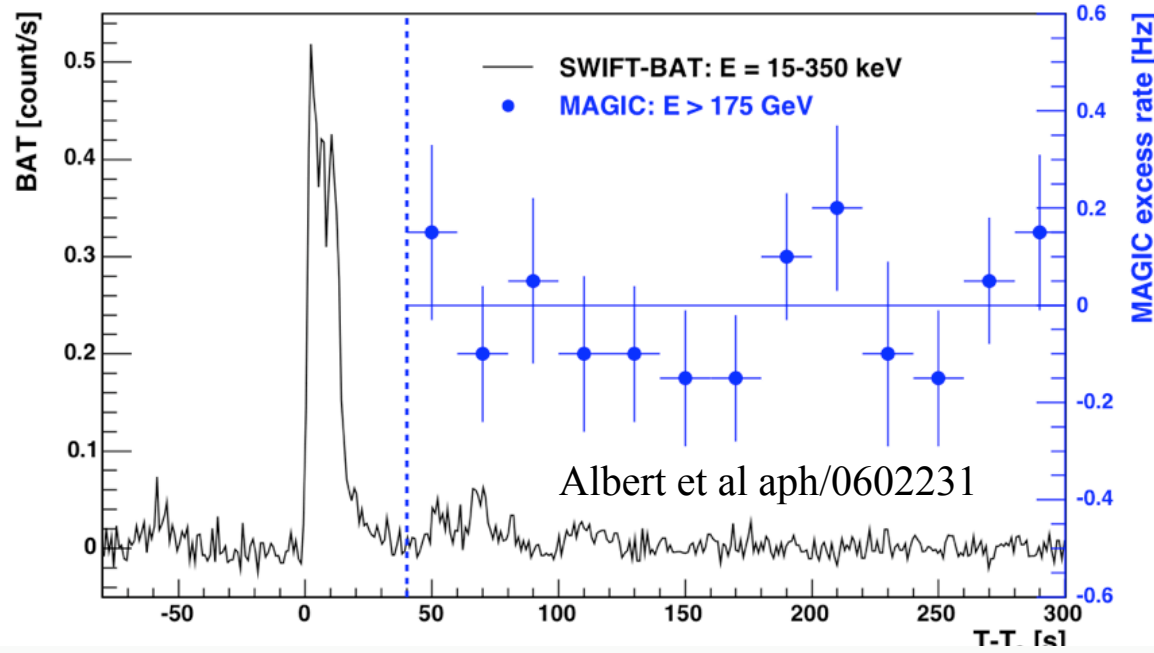
## Air Cherenkov Telescopes

- **MAGIC** :
- single 17m dish, slew time <35 s !, threshold  $E > 50$  GeV (..)

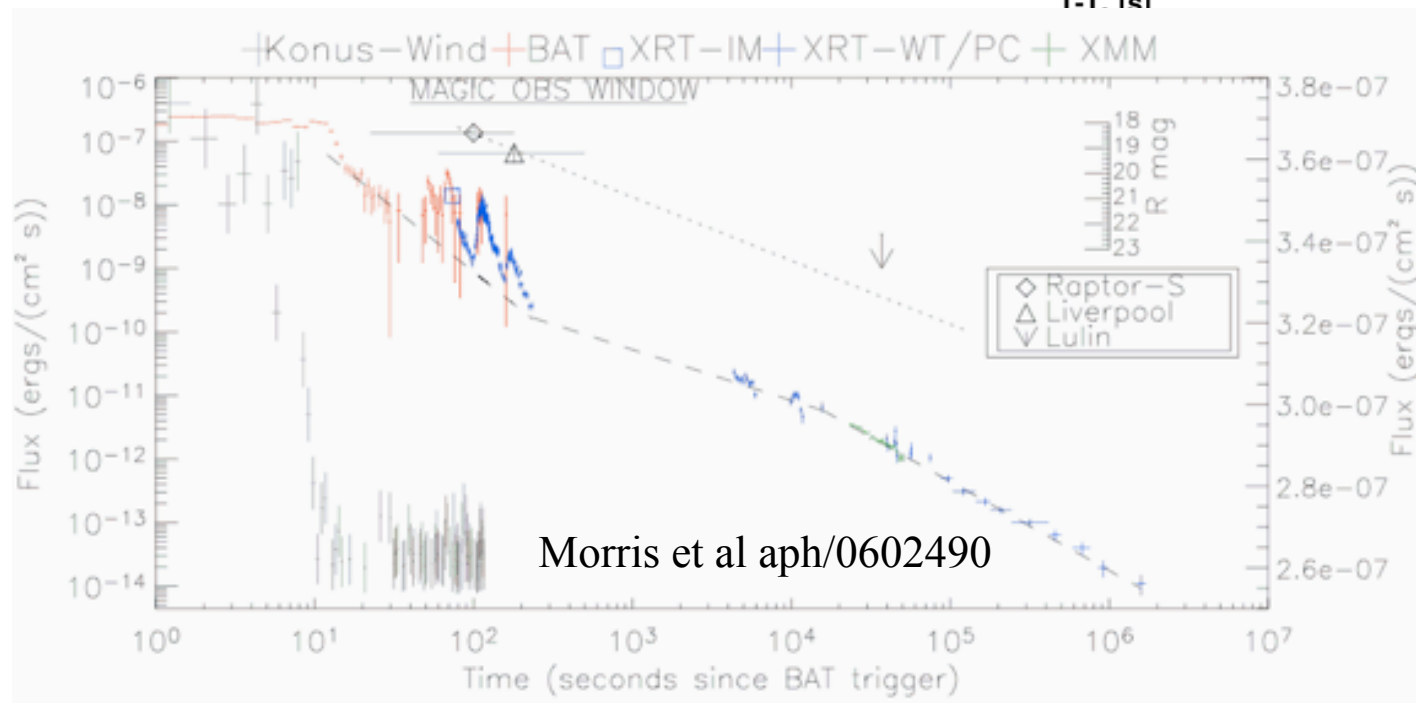




# 050713a MAGIC

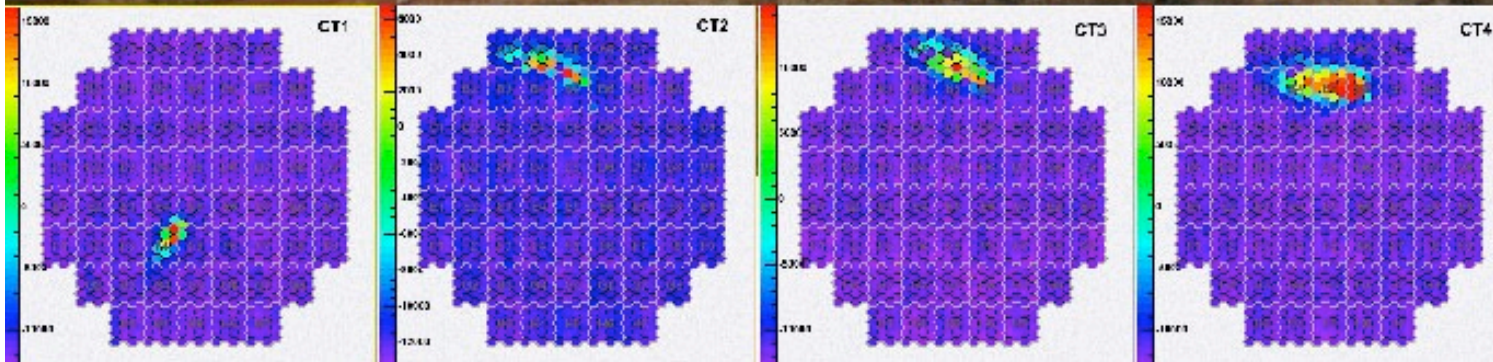
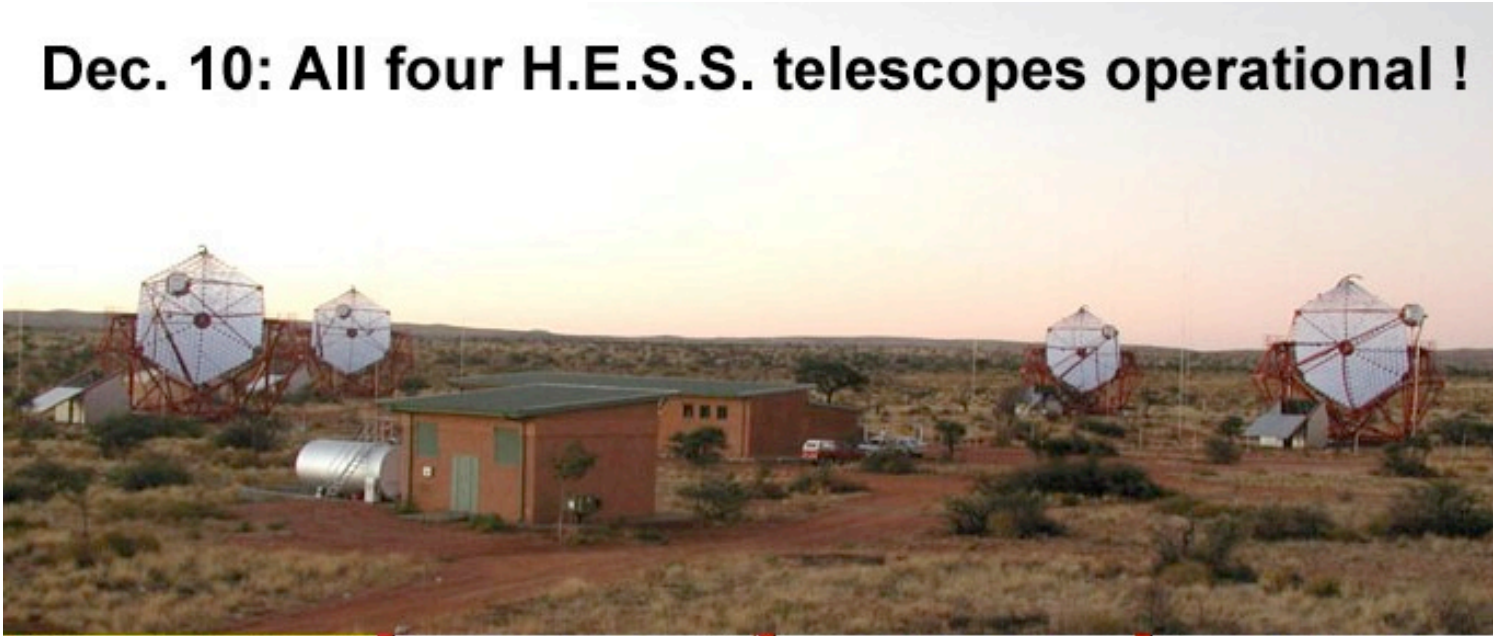


- Observed @  $T_0+40s$ , while MeV still detected, and during flaring X-ray afterglow
- $>175$  GeV flux upper limits
- Redshift unknown

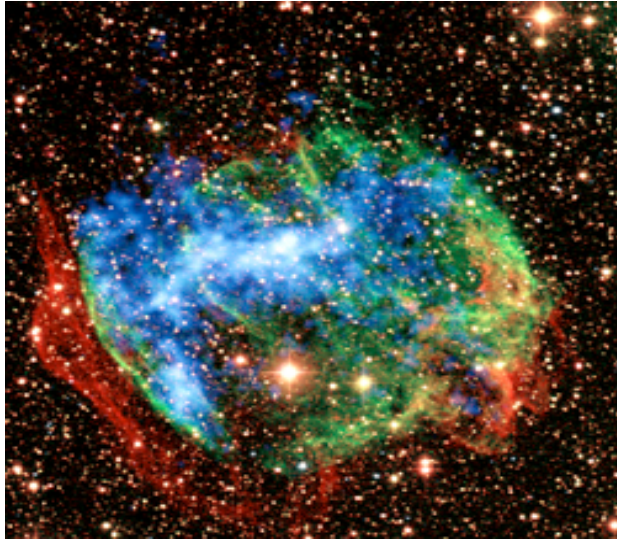


# HESS : Stereo Imaging

Dec. 10: All four H.E.S.S. telescopes operational !

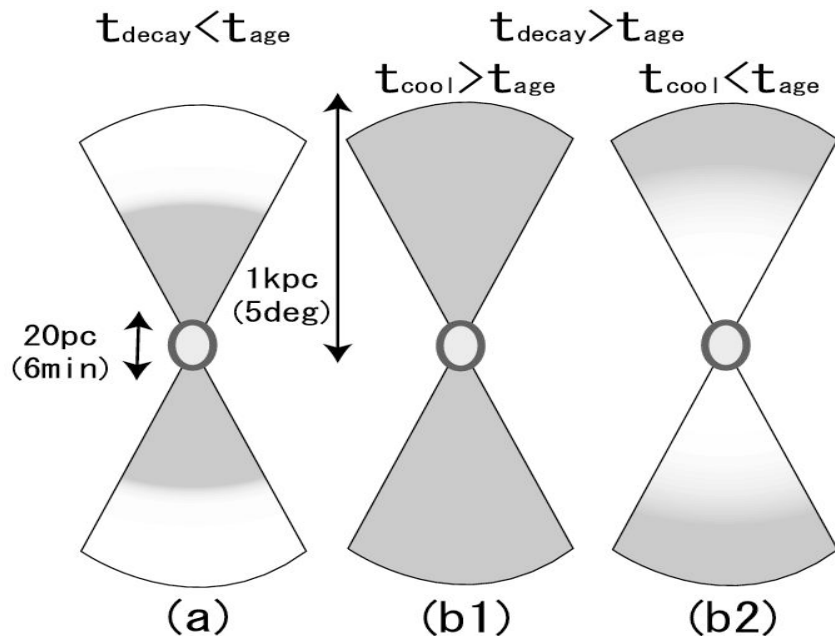


- Detected AGNs, PSRs, SNRs, un-IDs etc
- So far, **no** “fresh” GRB, but some possible **GRBR**



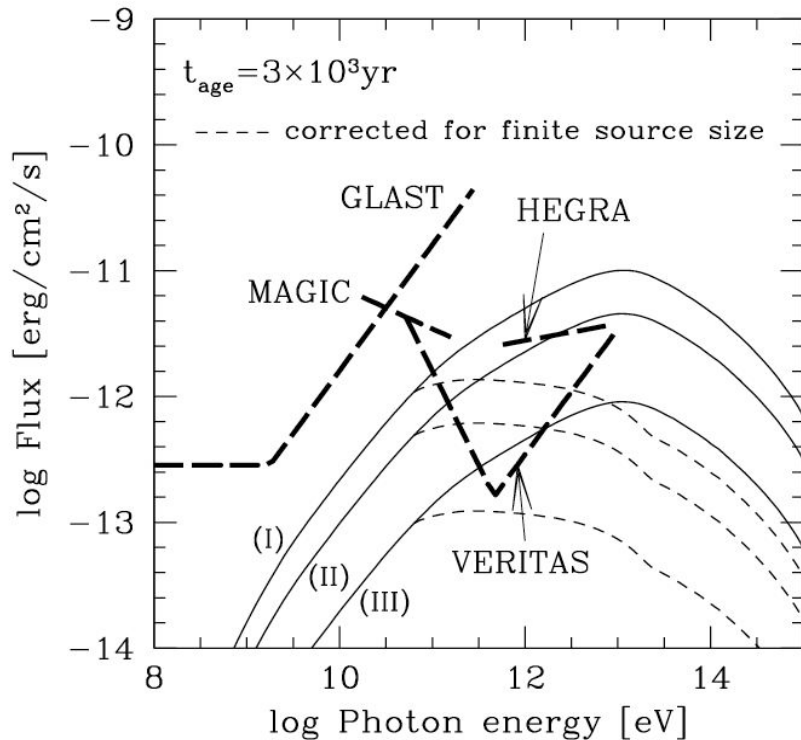
# W49B: a GRB remnant detected through its UHECR $\rightarrow \gamma$ luminosity?

$\leftarrow$  CXC/Spitzer obs: two jets, rich in Fe  
( $\sim$  GRB remnant ?) (Clavin, Roy, Watzke '04)



- $\sim$ 3000 yr old SNR:  
**any UHE signatures ?**
- **If GRB = CR accelerator**  
 $\rightarrow$  **CR neutrons escape ejecta**
- $\beta$  decay  $e^- \rightarrow$  synchrotron + IC in  $B_{\text{gal}}$ , CMB  $\rightarrow$  **GeV-TeV  $\gamma$**
- Geometry dep. on  $t_{\text{dec}}$ ,  $t_{\text{cool}}$ ,  $t_{\text{age}}$
- $\Rightarrow$  may be detectable at GeV  
(Ioka, Kobayashi, Mészáros 04 ApJ 613, L17)

# W49 as a smouldering GRB remnant at GeV



- $\varepsilon_{\text{ic,cmb}} \sim 50 \text{ TeV}$
  - $\varepsilon F_{\varepsilon} \sim 10^{-11} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2$
- $\varepsilon F_{\varepsilon} / \Omega \sim 5 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2/\text{sr}$   
 (dep. on  $n/\text{CR}$  to  $\gamma$ -ray norm)  
 → *possibly detectable w.*

**VERITAS, MAGIC, HEGRA**

(northern → not for HESS, CANGAROO  
too faint for GLAST;)

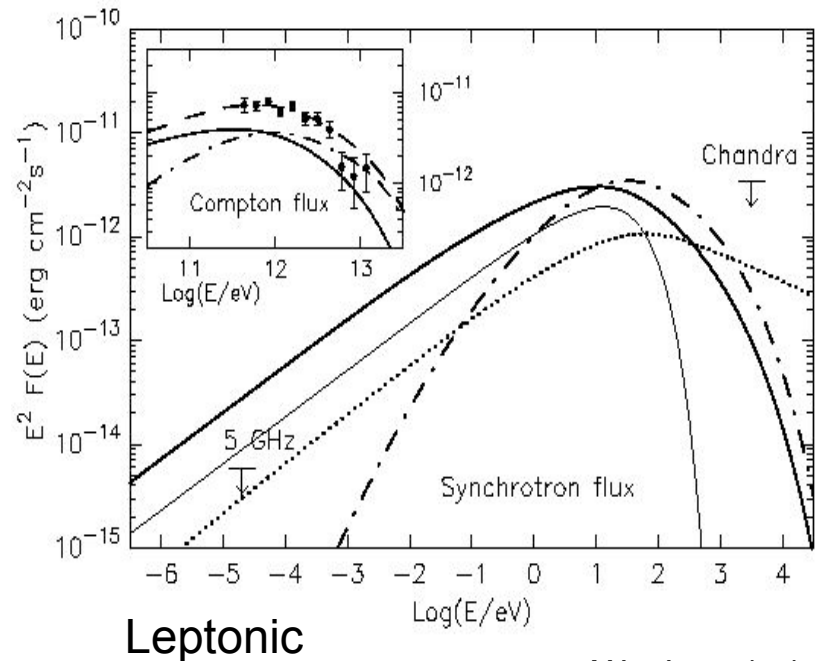
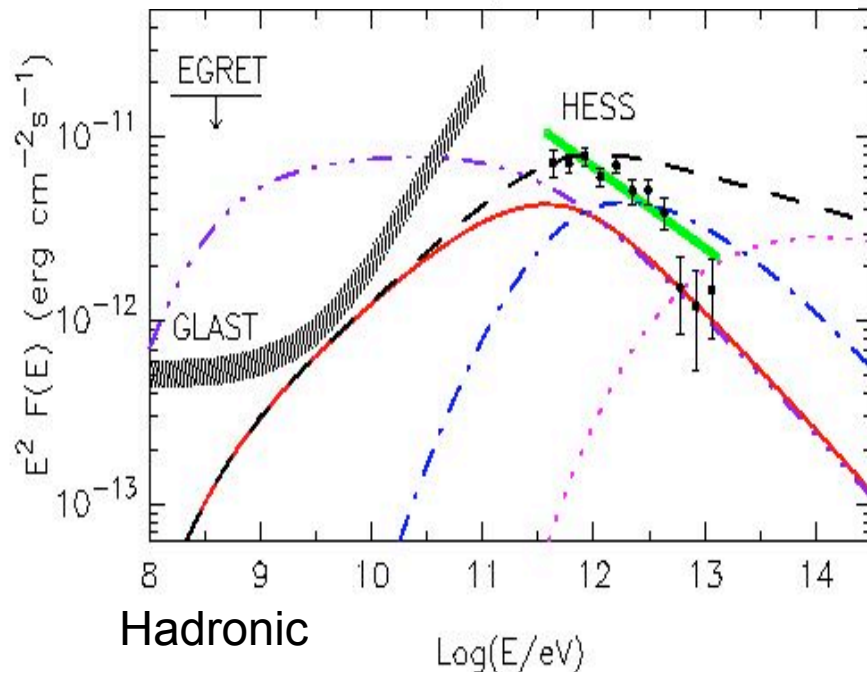
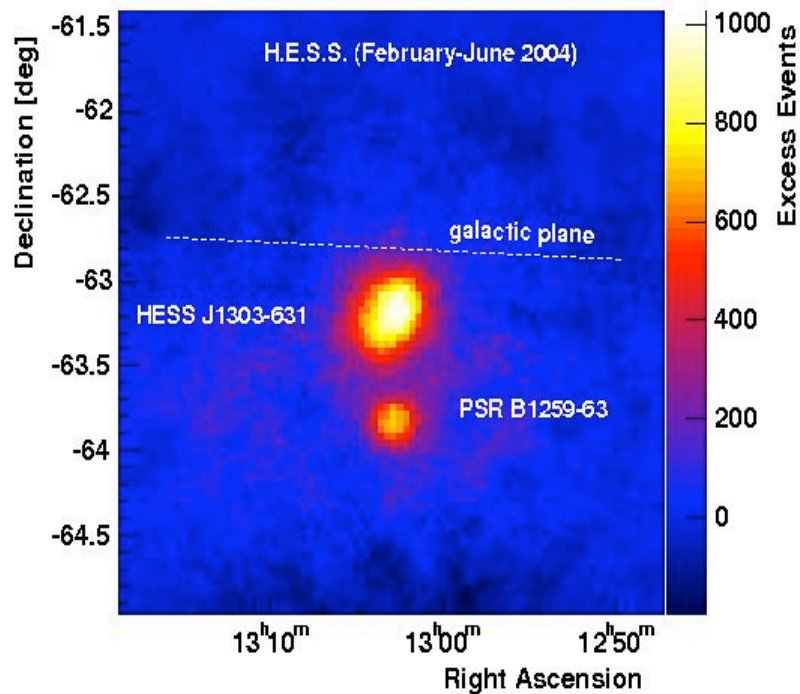
[ Since neutrons escape SNR, imaging allows distinguishing n-decay outside SNR from  $\pi^0$  decay due to proton acceleration in the SNR shock ]

# Un-ID TeV source: **HESS J1303-631** a GRB remnant?

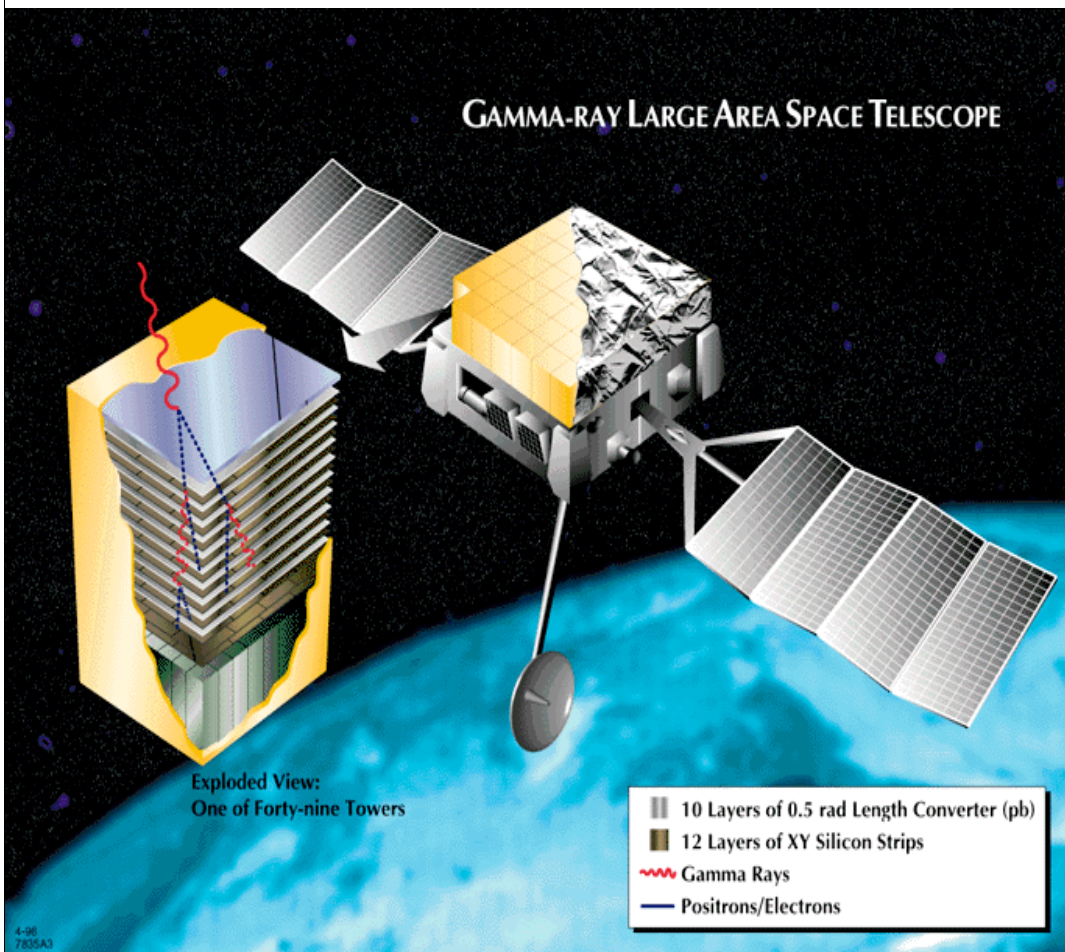
Emission absent at energies  $< \text{TeV}$  .

$\Rightarrow$  GRBR,  $d=12 \text{ kpc}$ ,  $t=1.5 \times 10^4 \text{ yr}$ ,  $n_H=1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  ?

Atoyan, Buckley, Krawczynski, ApJL-astro-ph/0509615



# GLAST : LAT (Stanford +)



- LAT: launch exp '07, Delta II, 2-300 GRB/2yr
- Pair-conv.mod+calor.
- 20 MeV-300 GeV,  $\Delta E/E \sim 10\% @ 1 \text{ GeV}$
- fov=2.5 sr (2xEgret),  $\theta \sim 30''\text{-}5'$  (10 GeV)
- Sens  $\sim 2 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ ph/cm}^2/\text{s}$  (2 yr;  $> 50 \times \text{Egret}$ )
- 2.5 ton, 518 W
- expect det/loc  $\sim 200 \text{ GRB/yr}$

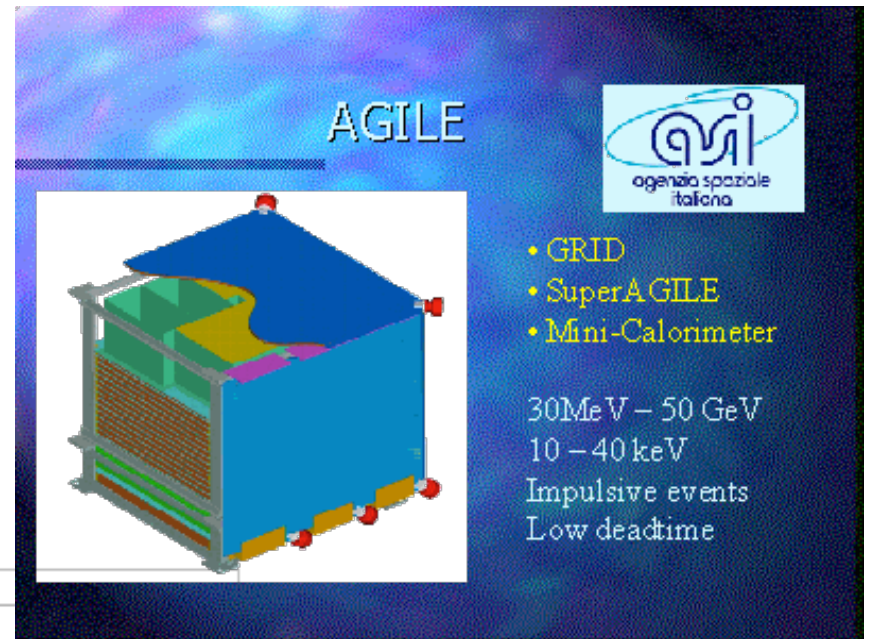
Also on GLAST: GBM ( $\sim$ BATSE range) ; 12 NaI 10keV-3 MeV; 2 BGO 150 keV-30 MeV

# AGILE

Launch early '07  
(Indian Space  
Res. Org. rocket)

Table 3: AGILE Scientific Performance

Gamma-ray Imaging Detector (GRID)		
Energy Range	30 MeV – 50 GeV	
Field of view	~ 3 sr	
Sensitivity at 100 MeV ( $\text{ph cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{MeV}^{-1}$ )	$6 \times 10^{-9}$	( $5\sigma$ in $10^6$ s)
Sensitivity at 1 GeV ( $\text{ph cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{MeV}^{-1}$ )	$4 \times 10^{-11}$	( $5\sigma$ in $10^6$ s)
Angular Resolution at 1 GeV	36 arcmin	(68% cont. radius)
Source Location Accuracy	~5–20 arcmin	S/N~10
Energy Resolution	$\Delta E/E \sim 1$	at 300 MeV
Absolute Time Resolution	~ 1 $\mu\text{s}$	
Deadtime	~ 200 $\mu\text{s}$	
Hard X-ray Imaging Detector (Super-AGILE)		
Energy Range	10 – 40 keV	
Field of view	$107^\circ \times 68^\circ$	FW at Zero Sens.
Sensitivity (at 15 keV)	~5 mCrab	( $5\sigma$ in 1 day)
Angular Resolution (pixel size)	~ 6 arcmin	
Source Location Accuracy	~2-3 arcmin	S/N~10
Energy Resolution	$\Delta E < 4$ keV	
Absolute Time Resolution	~ 4 $\mu\text{s}$	
Deadtime (for each of the 16 readout units)	~ 4 $\mu\text{s}$	
Mini-Calorimeter		
Energy Range	0.3 – 200 MeV	
Energy Resolution	~ 1 MeV	above 1 MeV
Absolute Time Resolution	~ 3 $\mu\text{s}$	
Deadtime (for each of the 30 CsI bars)	~ 20 $\mu\text{s}$	



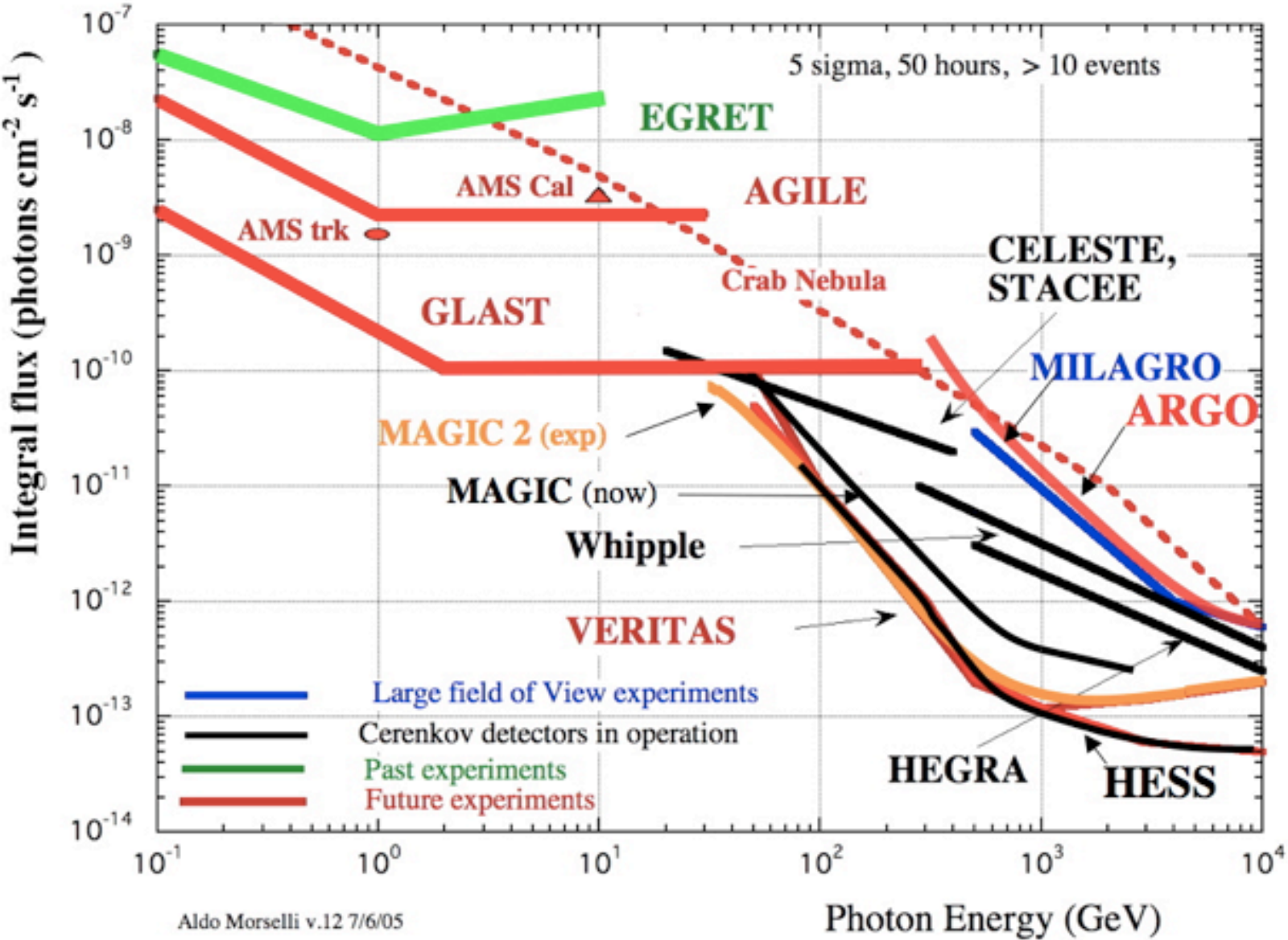
- GRID
- SuperAGILE
- Mini-Calorimeter

30 MeV – 50 GeV  
10 – 40 keV  
Impulsive events  
Low deadtime

**FoV : 1/5 sky  
10-12 GRB/yr**

**X-ray detector  
Super-Agile:  
localize to  
 $\Delta\theta \sim$  few arcmin**

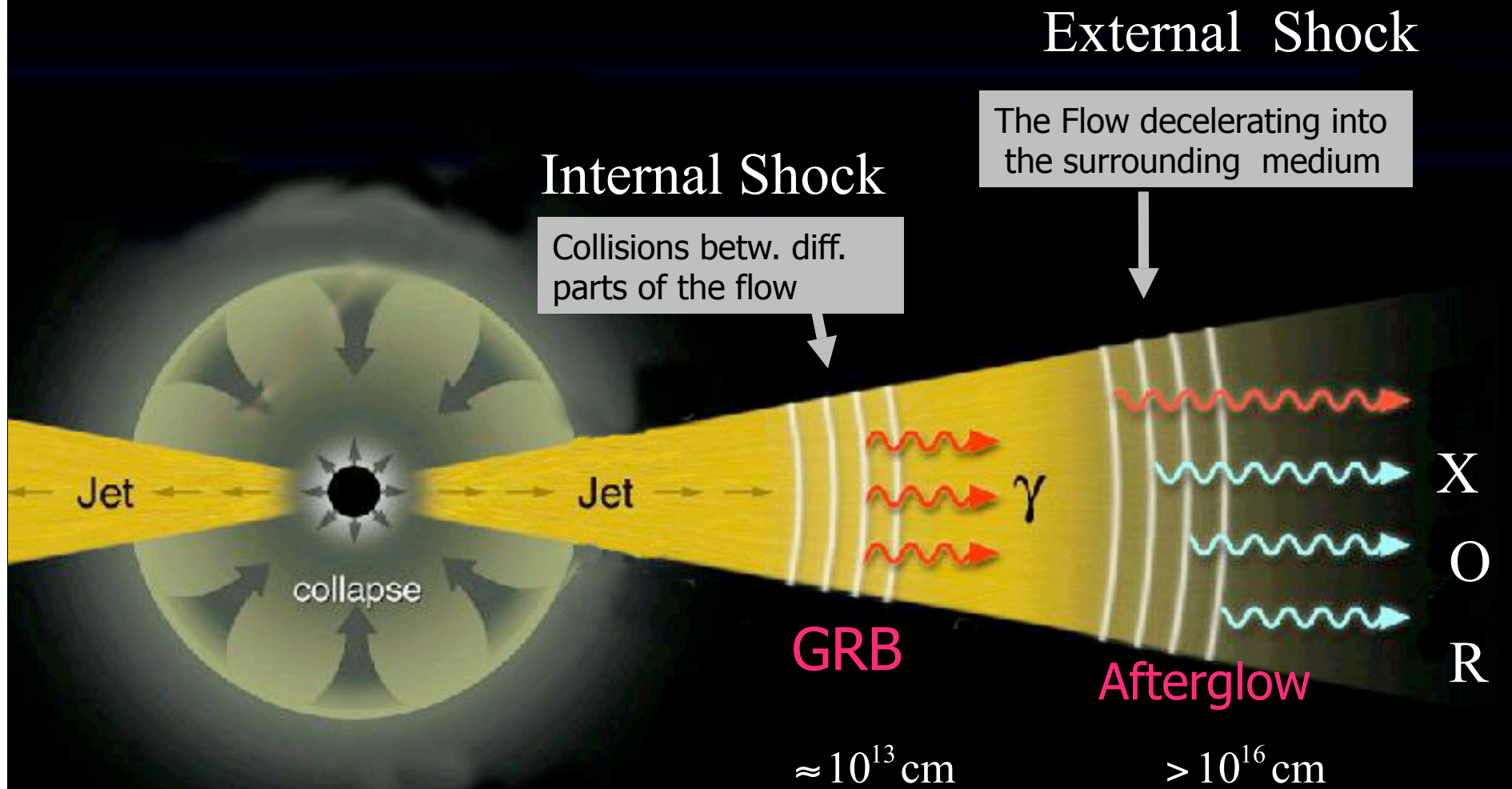
# Gamma Ray Sensitivities





# Fireball Model: long GRBs

E.g., recent review on *GRB-Swift results & implications*:  
Mészáros, 2006, Rev.Prog.Phys 69:2259 (astro-ph/0605208 )



# Simplest “delayed” GeV $\gamma$ mechanism ?

A purely leptonic interpretation:

**GeV**  $\gamma$  emission seen, start  $\sim$  same time as **MeV**  $\gamma$  trigger, but lasting  $\sim$  1 hr:

→ could be

a) **internal** shock synchrotron

→ normal duration **MeV** to  $\sim$ GeV

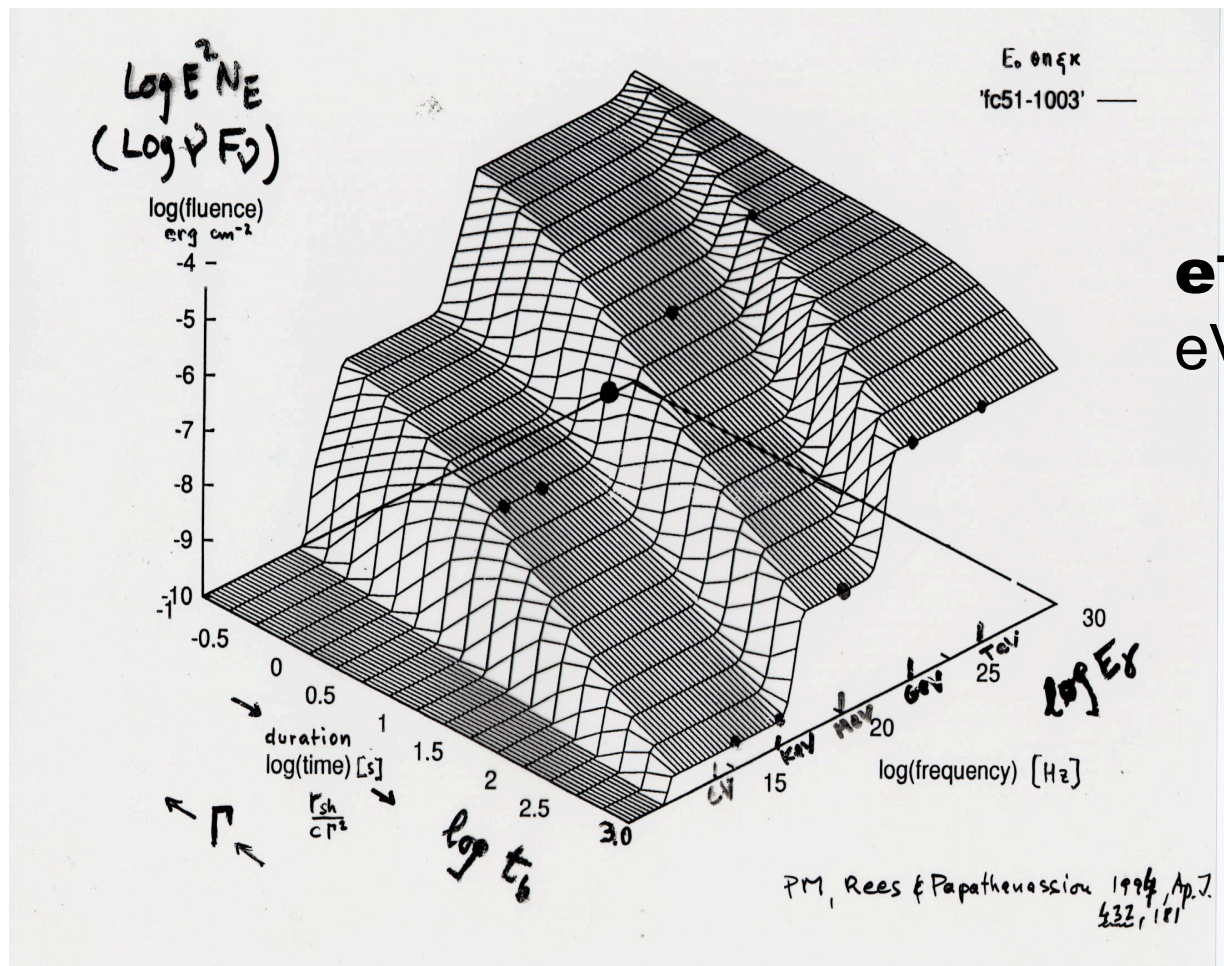
b) **external** shock (moder.  $\Gamma$ , low  $n_{\text{ext}}$ )

IC →  $\sim$  **GeV** to TeV, lasts  $\sim$ mins-hr

(Meszaros & Rees 1994 MNRAS 269, L41)

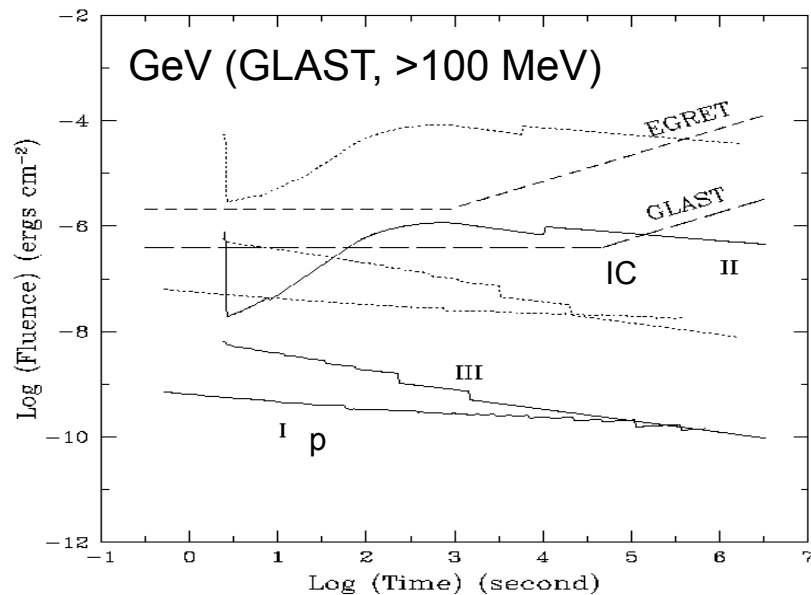
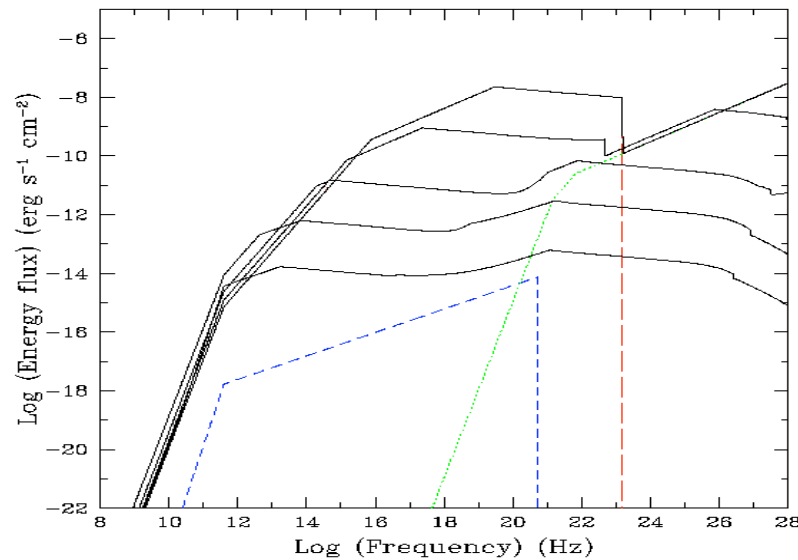
- Other possib (Katz 94) : proton impact on bin. comp.\*  $pp \rightarrow p\gamma$

# External Forw. & Rev. Shock Synchrotron & IC spectrum



**e<sup>-</sup> energy losses:**  
 eV < E < MeV : Synch  
 E > GeV : IC

# GRB GeV emission: Leptonic - IC

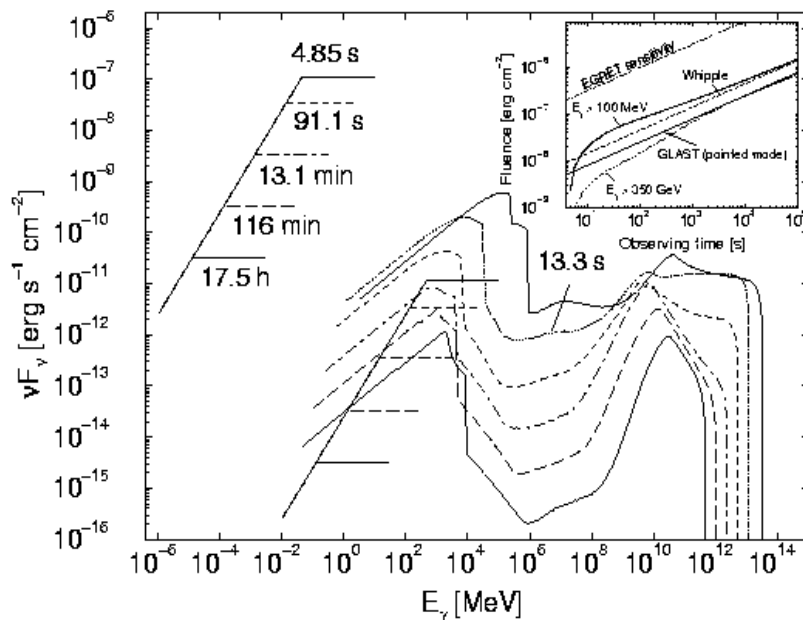
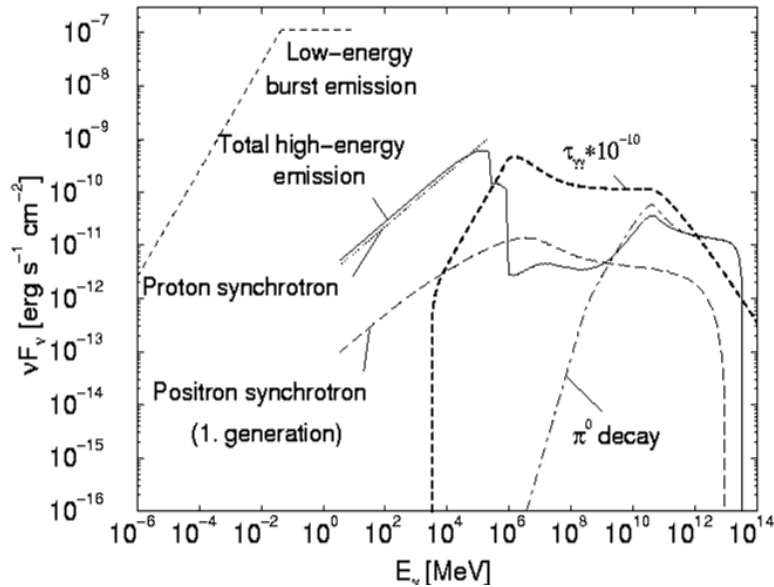


- Lightcurves start at  $t_{\text{dec}}$ , until reach  $\Gamma \sim 2$ .
- IC of sync. ext. shock
- Full lines:  $z=1$ , flat U  
Dotted:  $z=0.1$
- Model **IC**: recognize from **late GeV** peak 10-20 min after MeV), and from **late XR** hump (day)
- Long-dash lc: e-sy radn component  
short-dash lc: p-sy(pg), radn  
dotted lc: e-IC radn

Zhang & Mészáros 01 ApJ 559, 110

*But:*

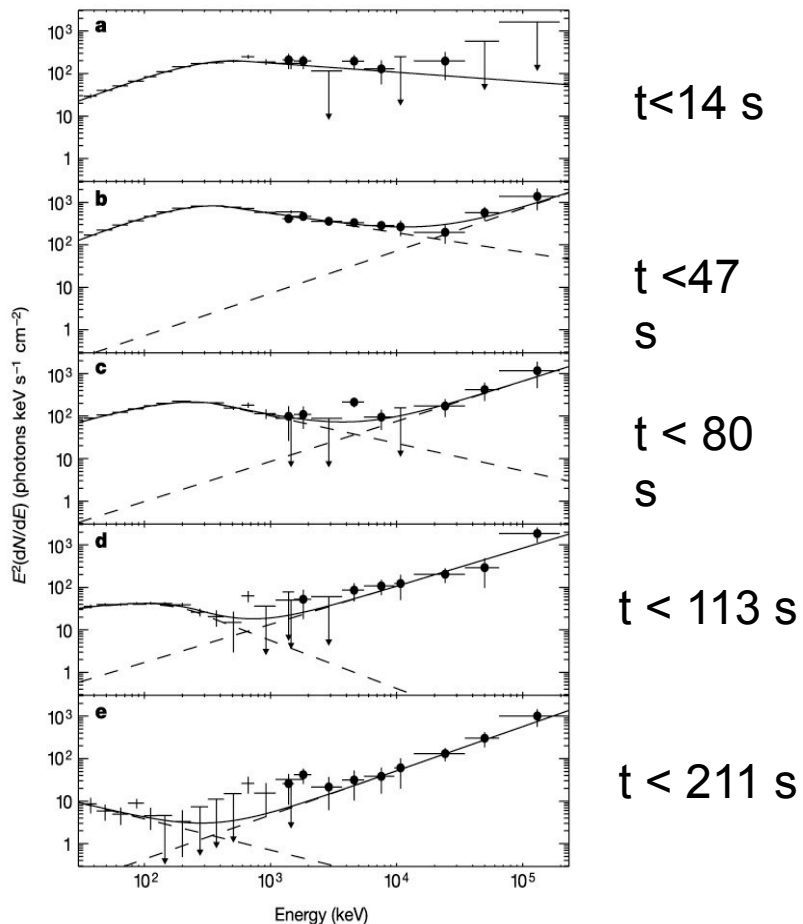
# GRB GeV $\gamma$ : *$p\gamma$ EM cascade?*



- Low energy: normalize to GRB 970508 ( $z=.83$ )
- Ext. forw. shock  $\rightarrow$  MeV  $\gamma$ s
- Proton index -2,  $U_p \sim U_e$ ,  
 $p$ -sy &  $p\gamma$  cascades,  
 $e^+$  sync,  $\pi^0$  dec.
- Time decay of cascade rad, slower than a'glow decay ( $p$ 's have less rad. losses)  $\rightarrow$  GLAST

Boettcher & Dermer 98 ApJ 499, L131 ;  
Dermer, Atoyan 03, PRL 91, 1102;  
Dermer, Atoyan 04, AA418, L5

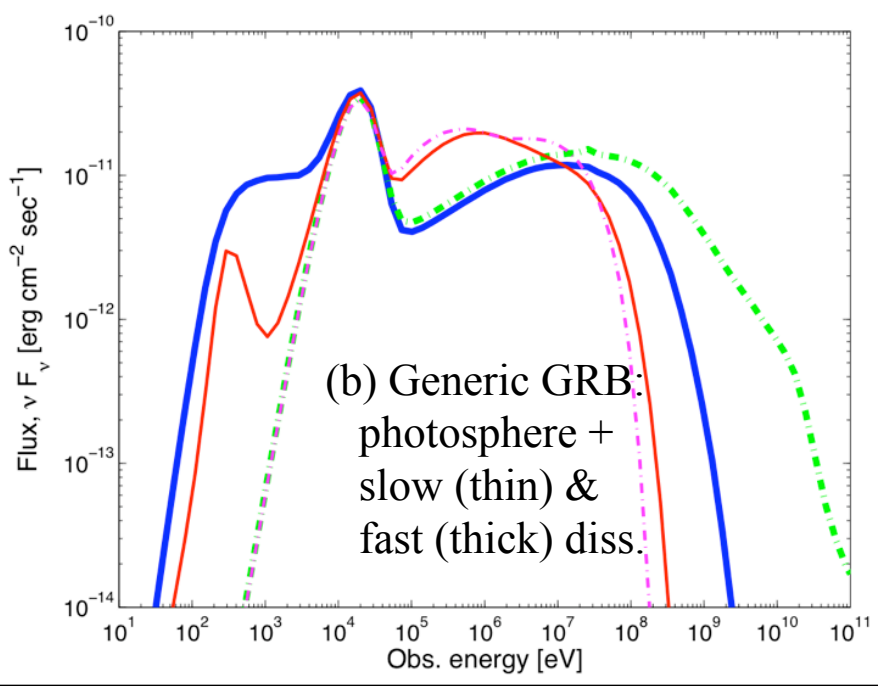
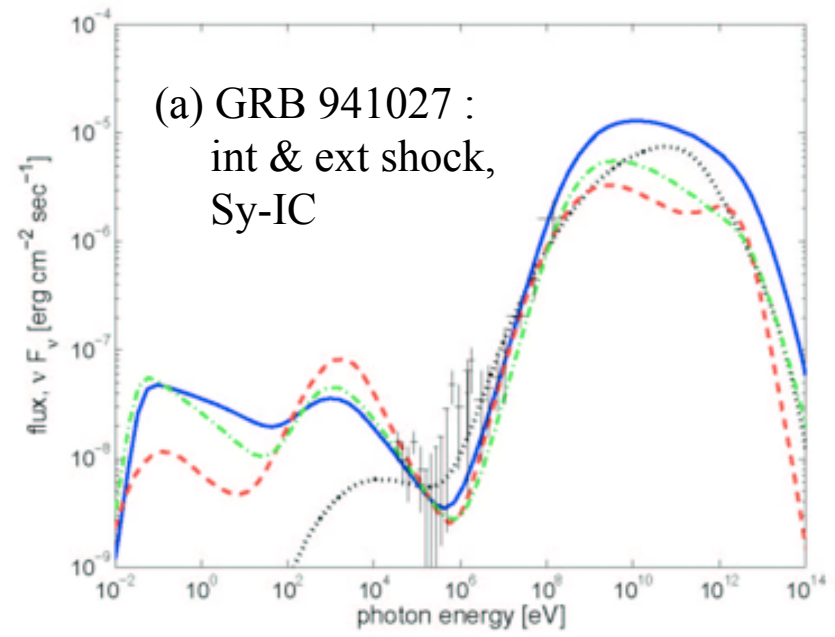
# GRB 941017 : $p\gamma$ signature?



Gonzalez, Dingus et al, 03, Nature 424, 749

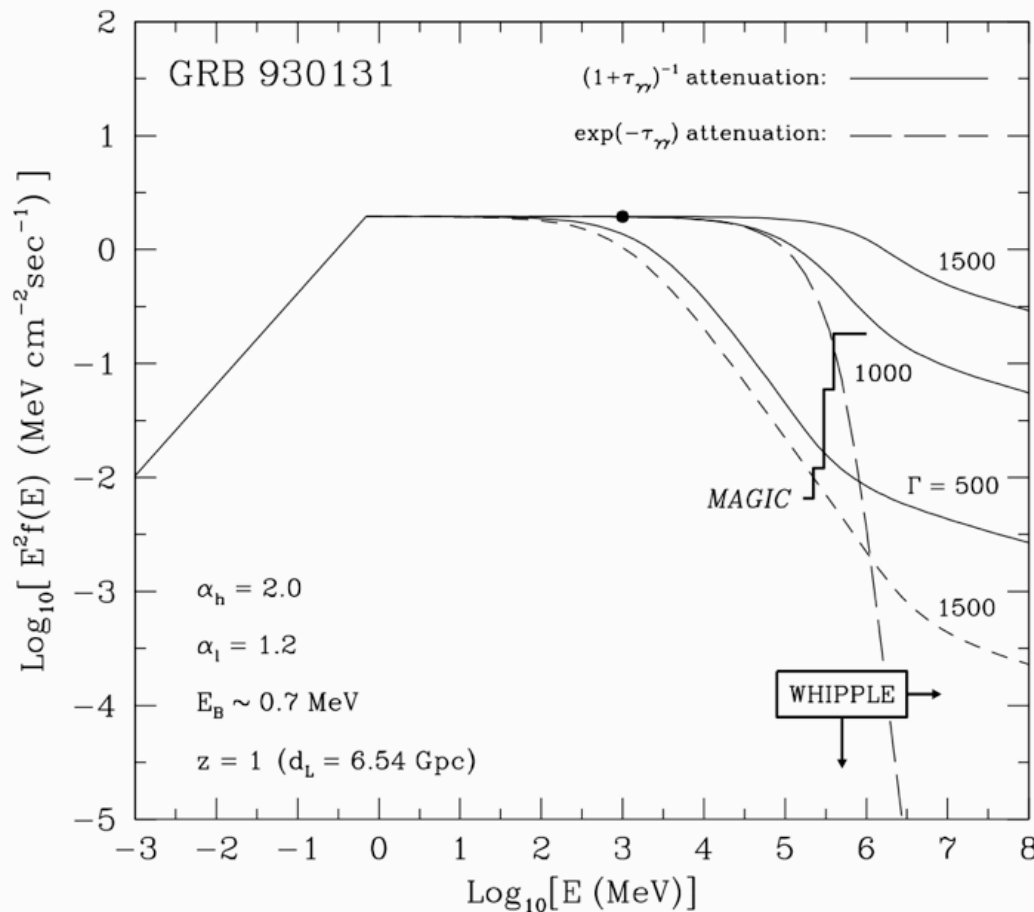
- Hard (**10-200 MeV**) comp. in EGRET TASC calorimeter **not** compatible w. BATSE MeV fit (but in 26 other bursts a single BATSE/TASC fit works well)
- Hard comp. more prominent in time  $\rightarrow$   **$p\gamma$  signature?** might explain delay, hardness (also Dermer, Atoyan 04 AIPC 727, 557)
- **Alternative: could be IC**, in regime where IC sp is harder than sync PL ; e.g. scatt. of lower energy synch. asymptote; or observe IC region where electrons with a range of energies scatter off a range of photon energies (Granot, Guetta, astro/0309231; Pe'er, Waxman, 04)

# Leptonic GeV GRB emission



- ← (a) Sy-IC, pair formation in internal & external shock: 941027 need not be hadronic (Pe'er & Waxman 04)
- ← (b) Sy-IC, pair formation in slow dissipation or fast (shock) dissipation in or near jet photosphere (Pe'er, Mészáros, Rees 05) - preferred peak energy near MeV, and VHE photons from IC for modest scatt opt depth

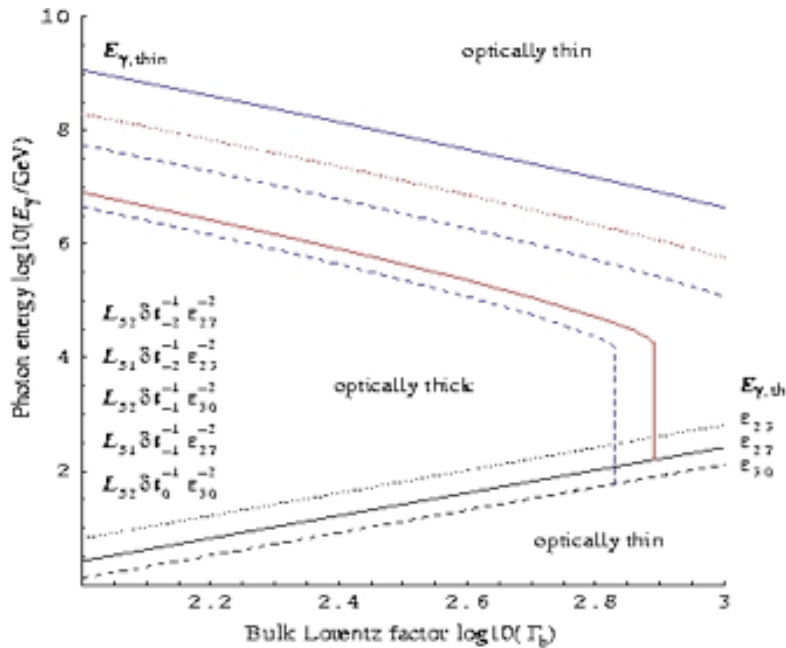
# Physical clues from GeV-TeV photons in GRB



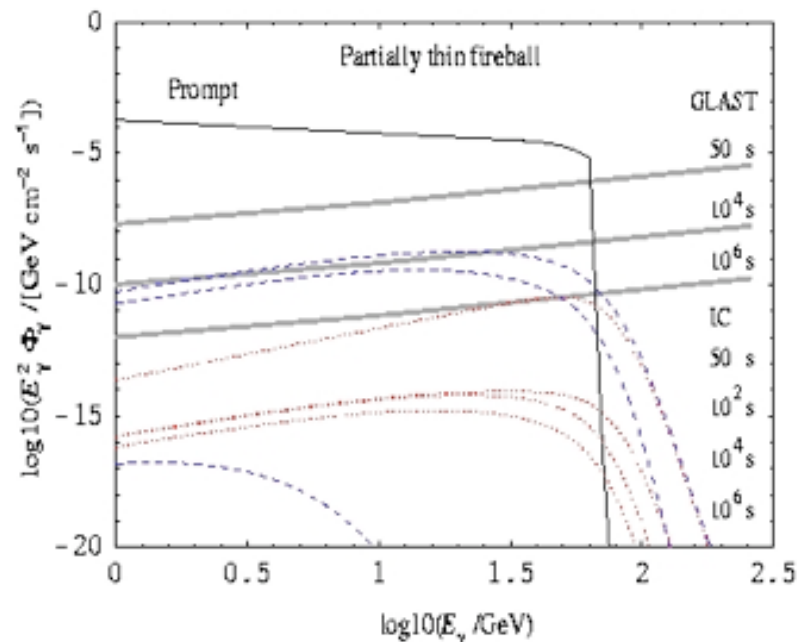
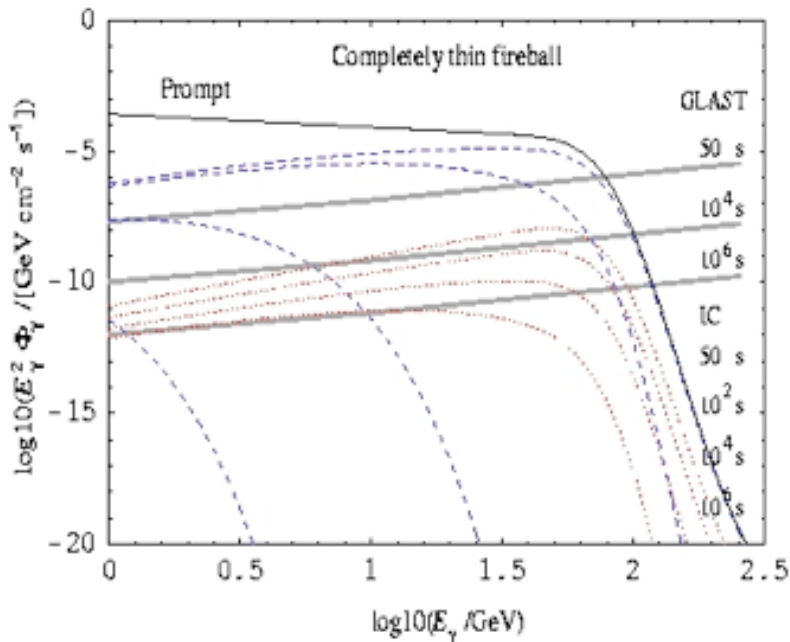
- Internal shocks:  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^\pm$ ,  $\tau_{\gamma\gamma} \sim 1$  @  $E_\gamma \sim \Gamma^2_{300}$  GeV  
 → pair cutoff in spectr  
 → get info about  $r_{sh}$  (compactness,  $t_{\gamma\gamma}$ )
- In ext.shock,  $\tau_{\gamma\gamma} < 1$  on GRB target  $\gamma$ ;
- test if shock is int. or ext;  
 test bulk Lorentz factor, shock accel efficiency, magnetic field in shock (max.  $e^\pm$  energy? → size of accel region)



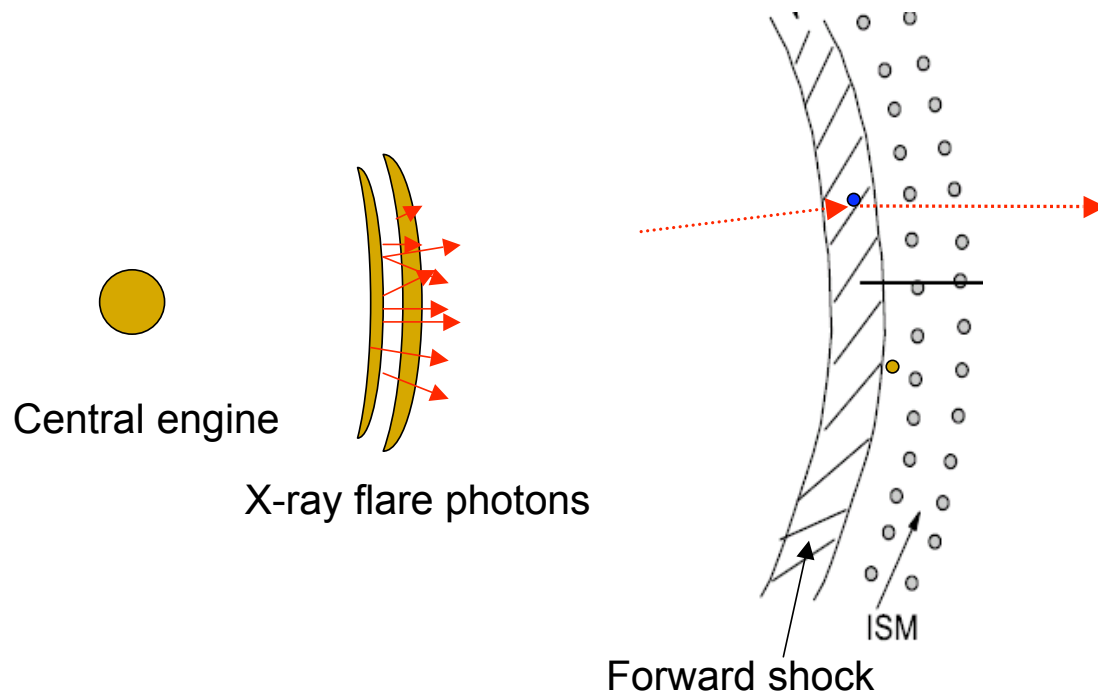
# How high in energy, and how late?



- Very high  $\Gamma \rightarrow$  low compactness, high  $e^\pm$  cut-off
- Higher cut-off for (late) afterglow than for prompt
- External IGM reprocessing: late, depends on  $B_{IGM}$



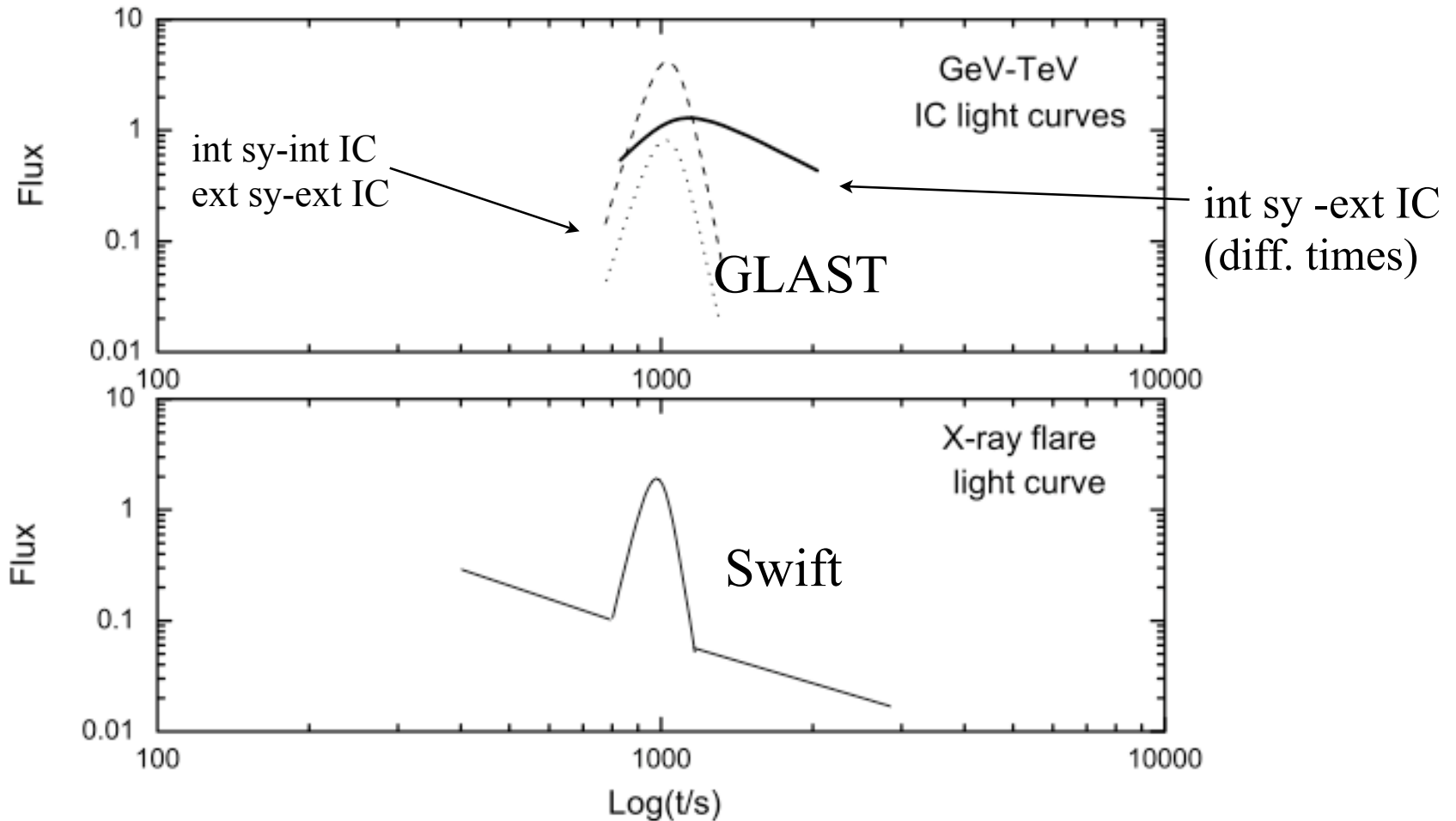
# XR Flares $\Rightarrow$ GeV Flares?



XR flares  
ubiquitous in  
Swift XR ;  
thought to be late  
internal shocks  
(or mag diss)

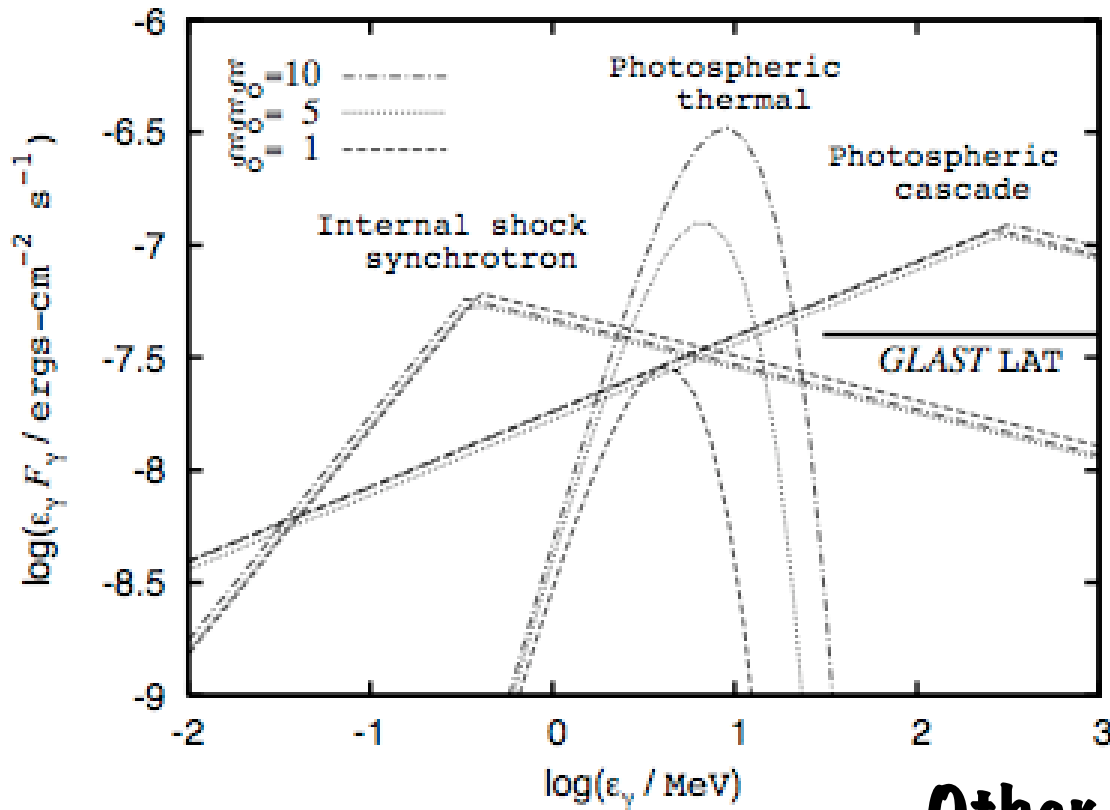
☺ If so,  
→ XR emission  
is inside the  
external shock  
→ IC upscatter  
XR photons by  
ext shock  $e^-$   
→ GeV flares  
→ GLAST det

# XR $\rightarrow$ GeV Flares



X.Y. Wang, Li, Mészáros 06 ApJ 641:L89  
(c.f. Galli, Piro et al 06: same shock self-SSC)

# Short GRB as DNS: pn dec



- DNS or BHNS merger: n-rich outflow  $\rightarrow$  np decoupling
- $\rightarrow (\pi^\pm, \pi^0)$
- $\rightarrow \gamma_{\text{phot}} \gamma_\pi$  cascade
- SGRB @  $z \lesssim 0.1 \rightarrow$  GLAST det.  
Razzaque & Mészáros, aph/0601652

**Other** DNS/NSBH GeV emission:  
*neutron  $\beta$ -decay*  $\rightarrow e^-$ , p  $\rightarrow$  inner brems, **GeV photons**  $\rightarrow$  GLAST det  
 (Razzaque & Mészáros, 06, JCAP 06:006

# Conclusions: GLAST impact on GRB science

- Will provide radically new info about GRB
- Energetics: will resolve the VHE  $\gamma$  contribution to total calorimetry
- Constrain hadronic contribution and quantify potential as UHECR and UHENU sources
- Provide unique info about compactness, emission region size, dynamics ( $\Gamma$ , etc)
- Indirect info about IGM properties (B, etc)