Highlight results from the MAGIC telescopes

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- > Performance in stereo
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MAGIC phase I



World Largest IACT

- 17 m diameter
- 3.5° FOV
- 577 pixels
- 2 GSample/s
- Repositioning <40s

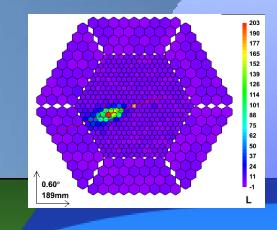
Site: Canary Island La Palma, 2200 m asl.

Performance

Energy threshold: 55 GeV

(pulsar trigger: 25 GeV)

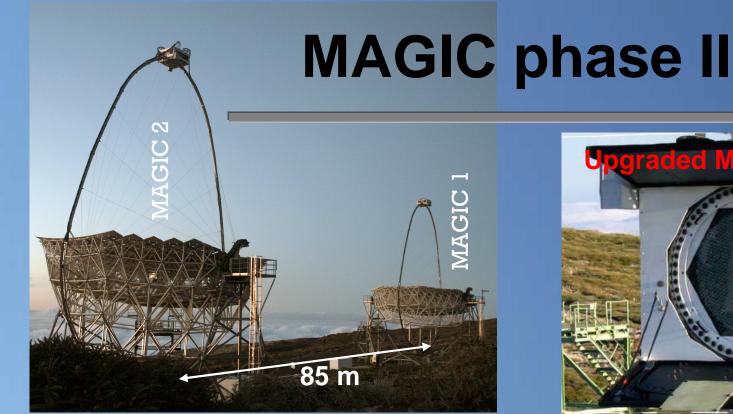
- Sensitivity: 1.6% Crab in 50 h
- Angular resolution: 0.1°
- Energy resolution: ~20%



~120 m

Cherenkov Light Pool

air shower





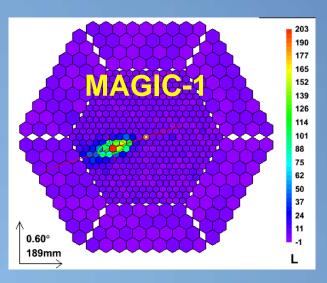
Two 17m telescopes observing in stereoscopic mode

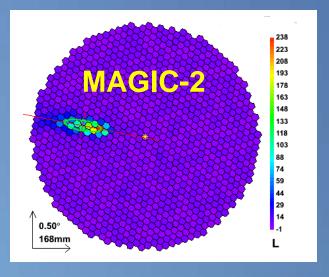
- Improved drive system: repositioning <20s (both telescopes)
- MAGIC-2 camera:
 - 3.5° FOV with 1039 pixels
 - Higher PMT QE
 - Larger Trigger area
 - Readout: DRS2 2 GSample/s
- Stereo Trigger (Level 3)
 - Energy threshold: ~50 GeV

MAGIC-2 =

Improved clone of MAGIC-1

Improvement from Stereo observation





Stereo trigger:

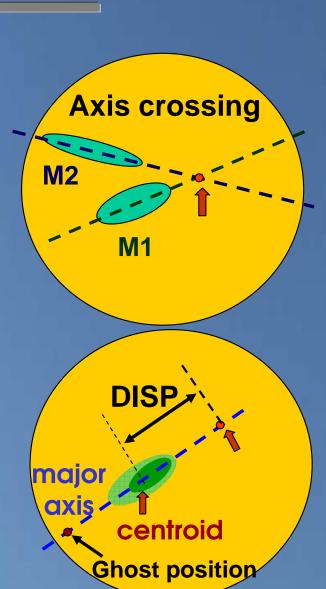
- Reduce dramatically the background at low E

New parameters:

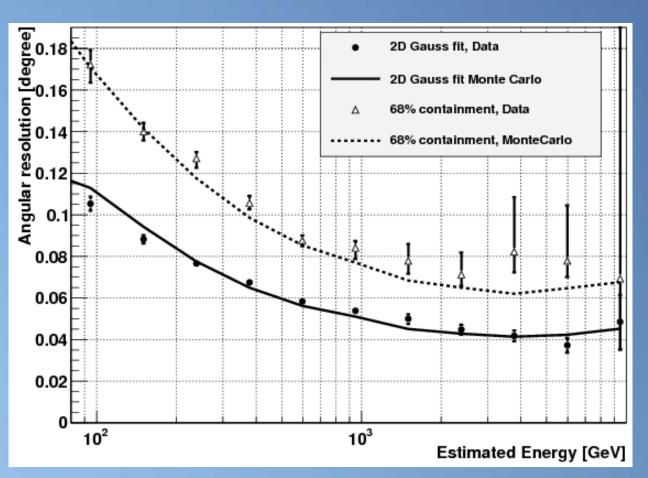
- Geometrical reconstruction (axis crossing)
- Shower impact parameter
- Height of the shower max

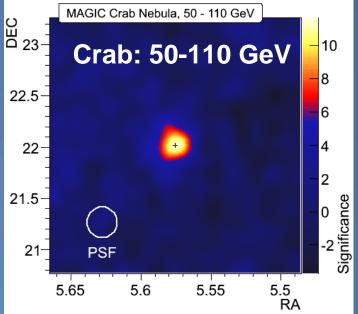
Double reconstruction:

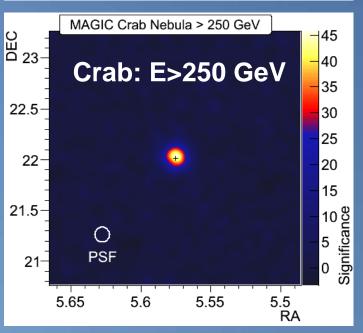
- Energy (using lookup tables)
- Direction (DISP method)



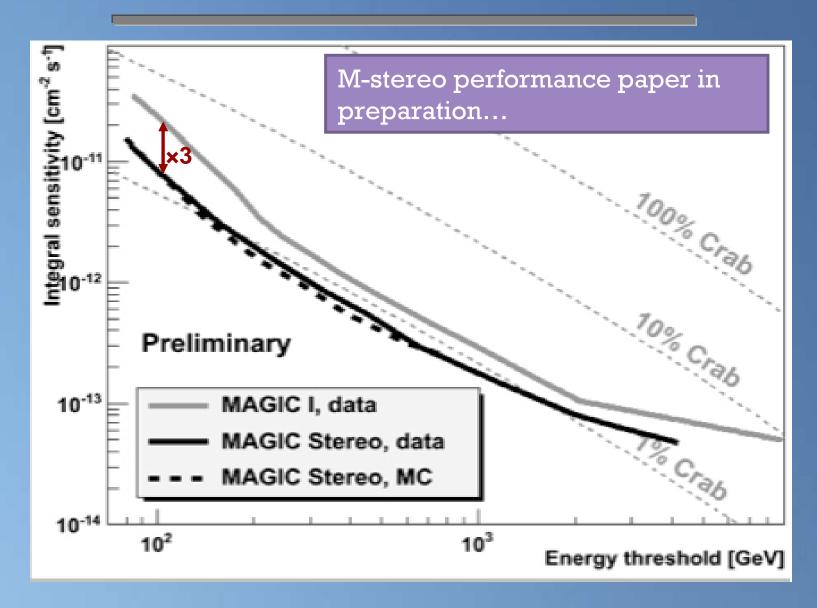
Angular Resolution





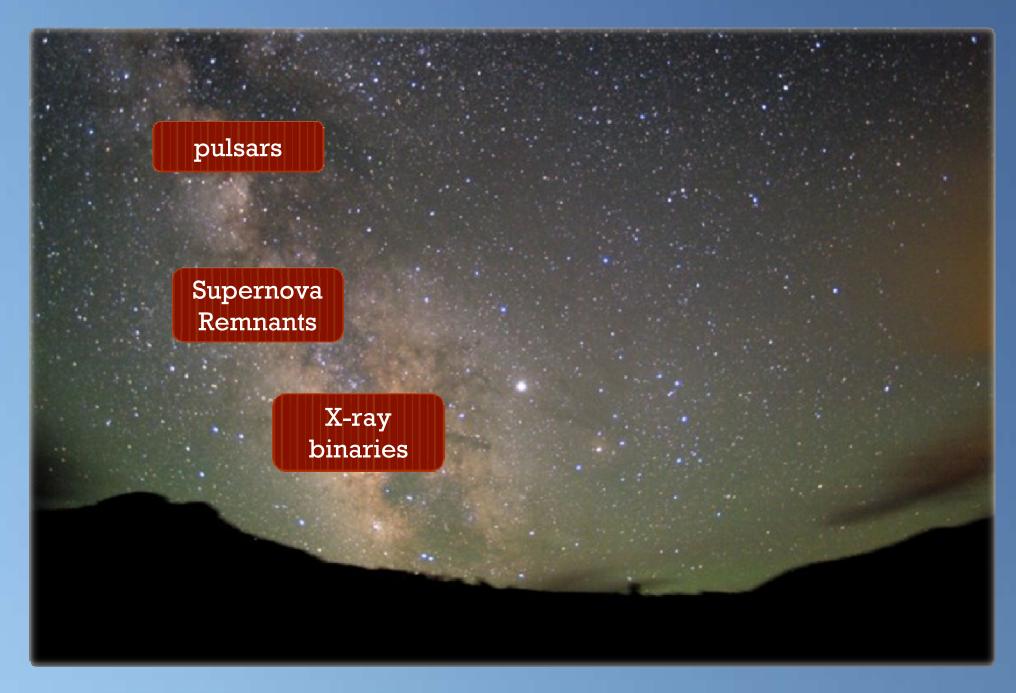


Sensitivity

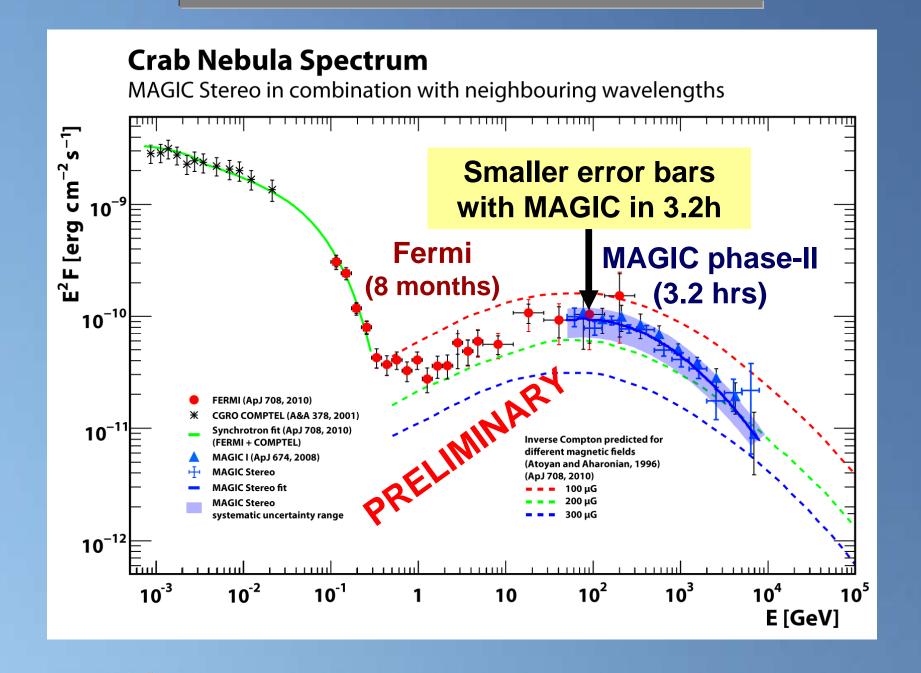


Most sensitive observatory in the range: 50-200 GeV

Galactic sources

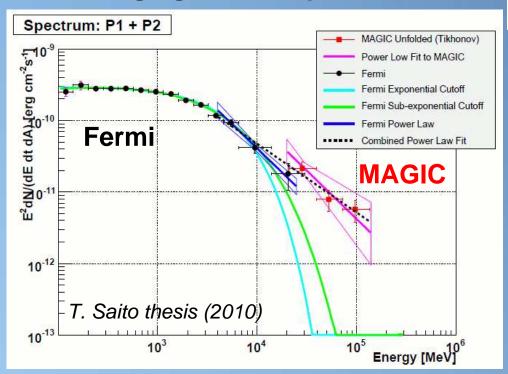


Crab Nebula: full HE-VHE coverage

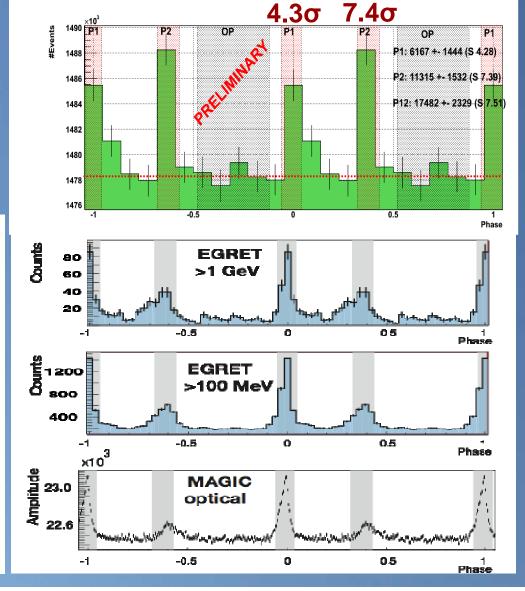


Crab Pulsar

- Special trigger (sum trigger)
 with threshold = 25 GeV
- First detection of a pulsar above 25 GeV.
- Flux Compatible with Fermi
- Recently confirmed by VERITAS and extended to higher energies
- Challenging result of pulsar models

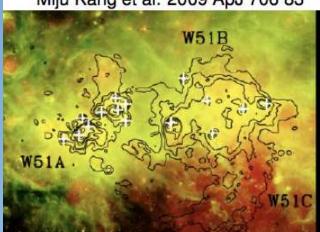


MAGIC: E >25 GeV 59 h of data from Oct-2007 to Jan-2009

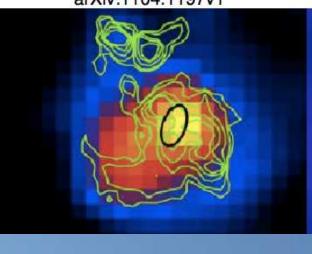


The SNR W51C

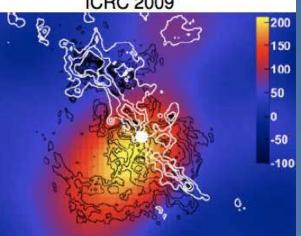




Fermi / LAT 2-10 GeV arXiv:1104.1197v1



H.E.S.S. >1 TeV ICRC 2009



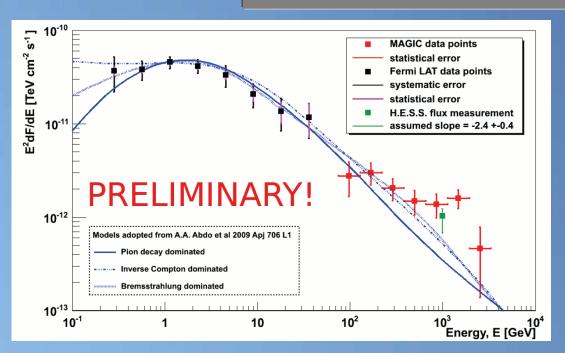
- ➤ One of the most luminous star forming regions (dist ~6 kpc)
- > W51C is a medium age (~30 kyr) supernovae remnant
- > The SNR shell is interecting with the surrounding molecular clouds
- Discovered by Fermi/LAT (~GeV) and HESS (4.4σ above 1 TeV)

Promising candidate to study CR acceleration in SNR

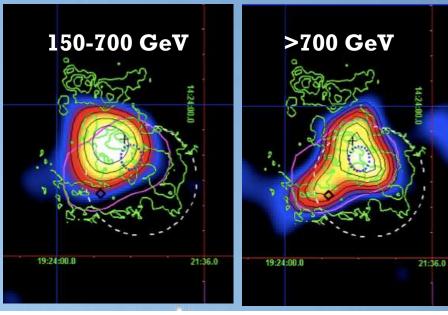
Detection with MAGIC:

- 8σ above 150 GeV
- extended emission

MAGIC results for W51C



Relative Flux Maps

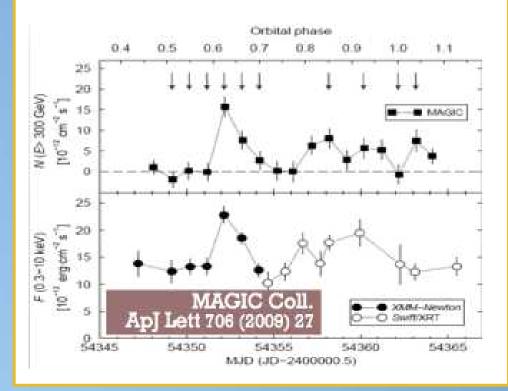


- Observation: 31.1 h in 2010
- Extended emission: 0.16°
- Maximum of the emission coincides with the shocked cloud regions
- Models based on Fermi / LAT + radio data predict a too softer spectrum than MAGIC sees:
 spectral index = 2.4 ± 0 .14
- Morphology suggests hadronic or other mechanisms:
 - particle spectrum hardens at high energies
 - High energy particles penetrate more effectively dense regions
 - other sources > 100 GeV

Binary systems

LS I +61 303

- Discovered by MAGIC in 2006 (Periodic VHE emission)
- Correlation between X and VHE gamma-ray in 2008 suggests leptonic processes are at work.
- Faint VHE state detected in 2009

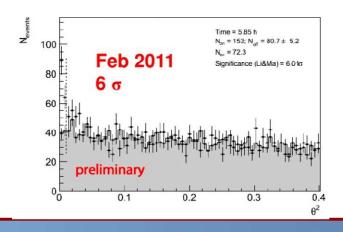


Cygnus X-3

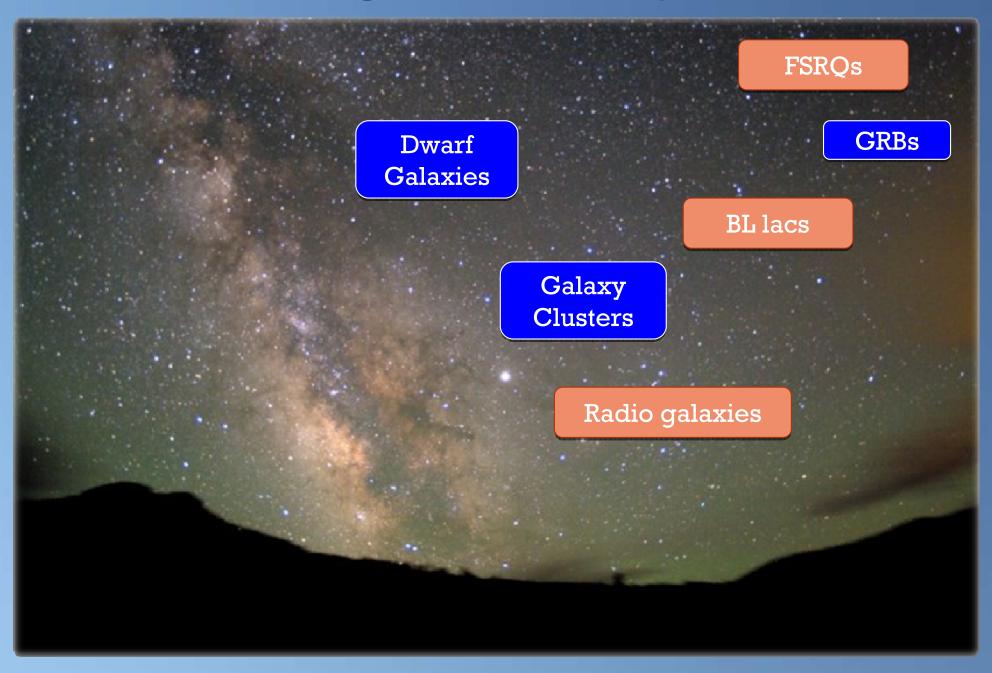
- Large MWL efforts!
- 56.7 hours of MAGIC-phase I data results in upper limits at every X-ray or γ-ray states

HESS J0632+57

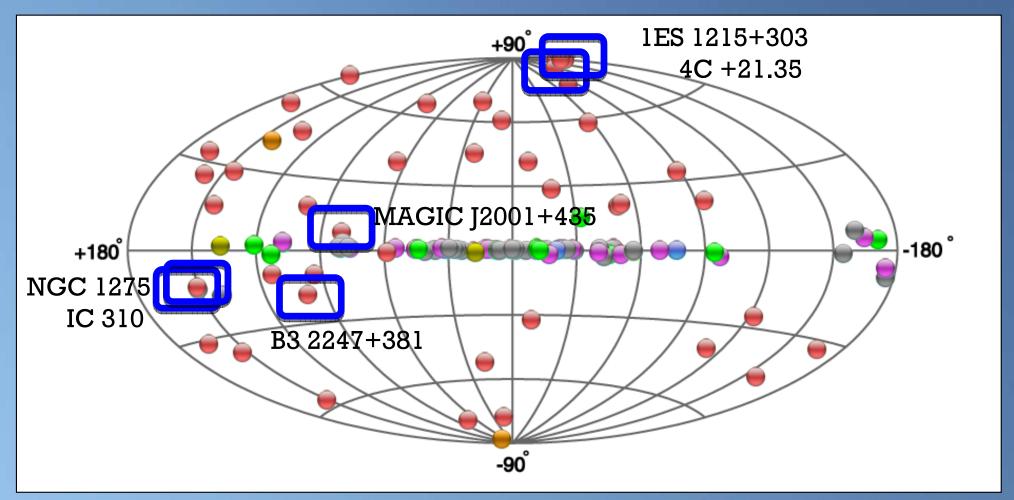
- Variable source at VHE
- Detection by MAGIC in 2011 (ATEL #3161), coincident with high X-ray activity period



Extragalactic objects



MAGIC discoveries during phase-II



6 new extragalactic objects in 12 months!

- 3 BL lac objects
- 1 Flat Spectrum Radio Quasar
- 2 radio galaxies (or unclear classification)

Optical trigger discoveries

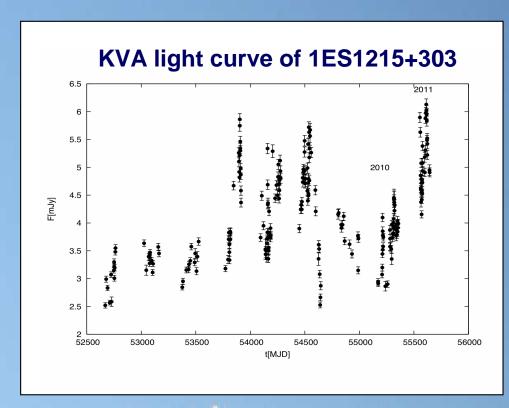
Monitoring of good VHE candidates with the KVA telescope. MAGIC observation during high optical state (ToO)

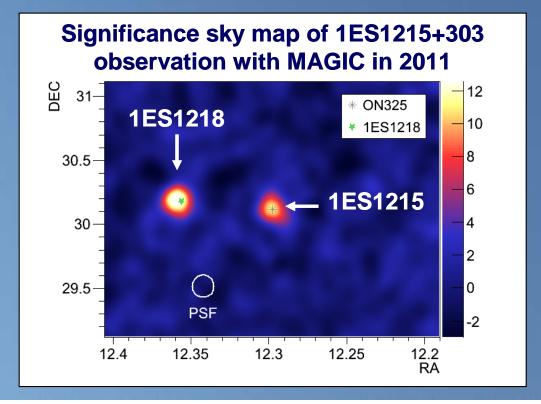
MAGIC phase-I:

- Mrk180: HBL (z = 0.045)
- **1ES1011+496**: HBL (z = 0.212)
- **S5 0716+714**: LBL $(z = \sim 0.31)$

MAGIC phase-II:

- **B3 2247+381**: HBL (z = 0.119)
- 1ES1215+303: HBL (z=0.130 or z=0.237)
- (Flare of **1ES0806+524**, HBL z=0.138)





Flat Spectrum Radio Quasars

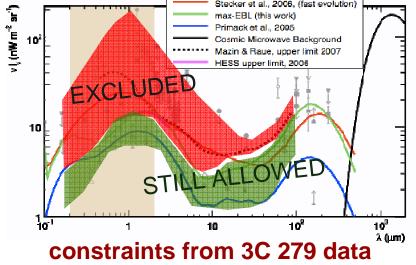
3C 279

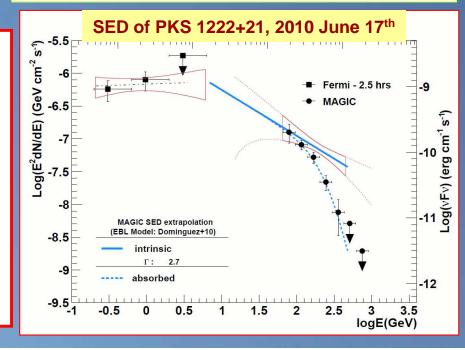
- Discovered by MAGIC in Feb 2006
- The farthest TeV object (z=0.54)
 (Best object to constrain EBL models)
- Another flare detected in Jan 2007 (during a optical high state)

PKS 1222+21 (4C21.35)

- Discovered by MAGIC in June 2010
- Second farthest TeV object (z=0.432)
- Fast variability: doubling time=8.6 min
- No sign of any cutoff
- Very challenging for emission models

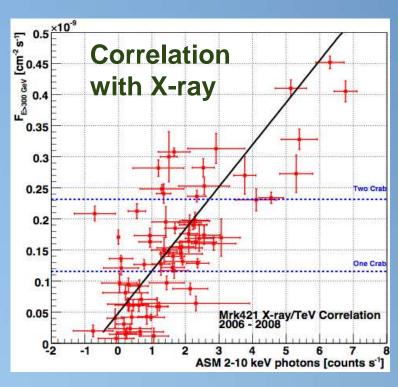
Probing EBL spectrum 0.2-2µm Stecker et al., 2006, (fast evolution) max-EBL (this work) Primack et al., 2005

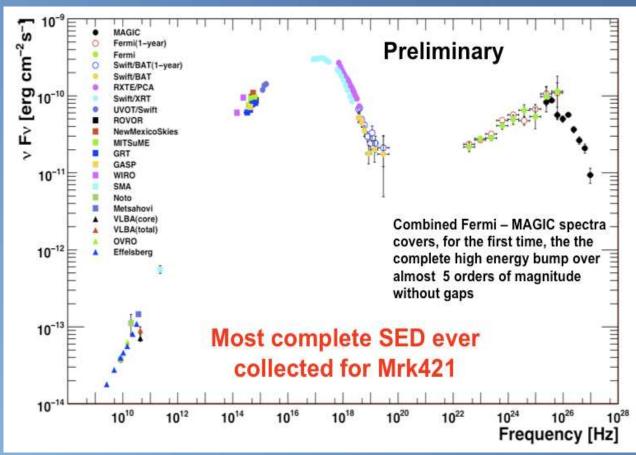




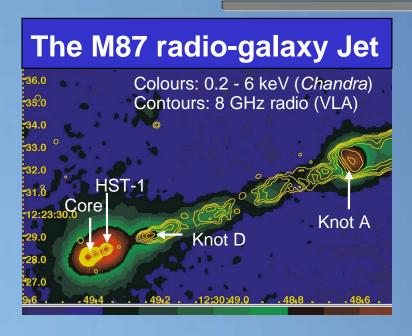
Multiwavelength campaigns

- ➤ Long term monitoring of bright VHE sources: Mrk 421, Mrk 501, 1ES 1959+650, 1ES 2344+514
- > Example with Mrk 421 results:

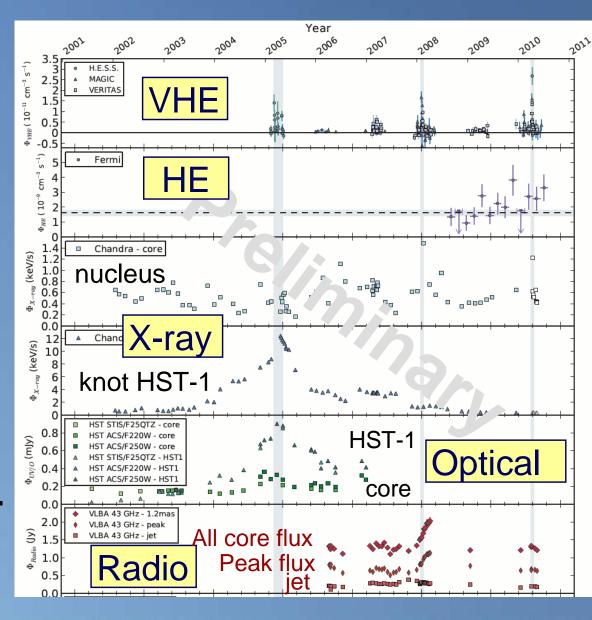




Joint HESS-MAGIC-VERITAS campaign of the radio galaxy M87



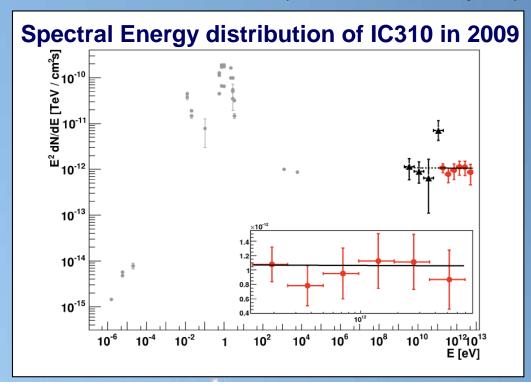
- > Shared monitoring between HESS, MAGIC VERITAS
- > Day-scale variability at VHE.
- > Evidence of correlation with the nucleus in X-ray and Radio.
- > Evidence of central origin of the VHE emission (60Rs to the BH)

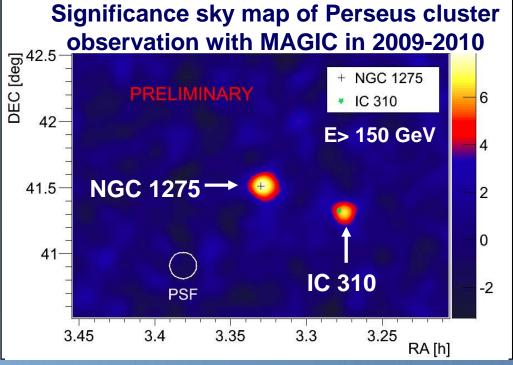


Perseus cluster galaxies

About 80h of observation with MAGIC in stereo (2009-2010) Detections of 2 radio-galaxies inside the cluster:

- > NGC 1275
 - Central galaxy of the cluster (like M87)
- > IC 310
 - First Head-tail radio-galaxy detected at VHE
 - Variable flux (Blazar-like object)





Extended emission from Perseus

Cosmological models of galaxy cluster formation predict concentration of

- Dark Matter (80% of the mass)
- Cosmic Rays

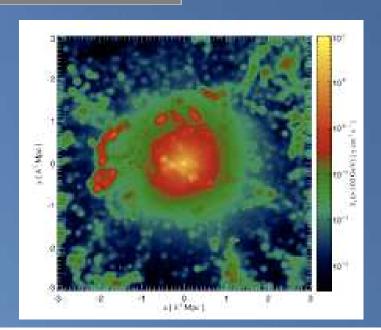
VHE gamma-ray emissions:

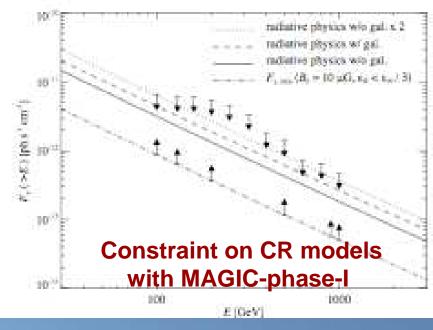
- DM Annihilation / decay
- CR interaction with ICM gas (neutral pion decay)

Emission concentrated near the cluster center (NGC 1275).

Extension:

- CR model: 60% within 0.15°
- DM model: 0.2° few degrees





Dark Matter search in dwarf galaxies

DM annihilation or decay can produce VHE gamma rays

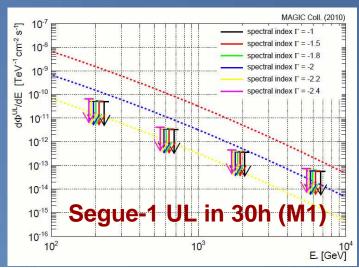
Dwarf galaxy:

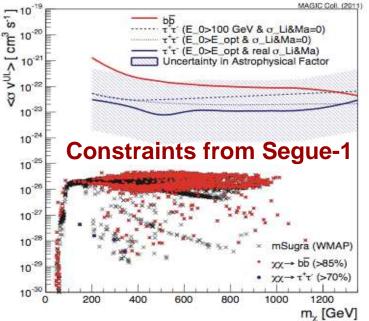
- High mass-to-light ratio
- No other VHE emitters expected

Observed galaxies (phase-I):

- Draco
- Willman 1
- Segue 1 (best candidate)

With current astrophysical factors of dwarf galaxy, we are 3 decades from models, but uncertainty in the astrophysical factor are high





MAGIC Telescopes upgrade

New MAGIC-1 camera: (clone of Magic-2 camera)

- 1039 pixels (PMT with higher QE)
- possibility of using HPD

New readout system for both telescopes:

- DRS4 running at 2 GSample/s

Improved trigger:

- Larger trigger area for MAGIC-1
- New 'sum' trigger for both telescopes (threshold= ~25 GeV)

Easier maintenance with 2 identical telescopes



Upgrade scheduled for Summer 2011

Conclusion

The MAGIC telescopes in phase-II

- Stereo observation since fall 2009
- Sensitivity >300 GeV twice better (0.8% crab in 50h)
- Sensitivity 50-200 GeV 3 times better (best world instrument)
- Improved off-axis performance

Some Recent results:

- Multiple discoveries and results (10 ATELs in one year)
- Detections of distant blazars (FSRQ)
- Very successful optical trigger (5 discoveries +AGN flares)
- Increase TeV radio galaxy catalogue (NGC-1275, IC-310)
- Extended MWL campaigns: Mrk-421, M87, LSI-61, etc.
- Morphological study of SNR (W51C)
- Study of Crab pulsar above 25 GeV