



# Dark Matter Searches using Indirect Detection techniques

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# Introduction

- **Indirect dark matter (DM) searches**

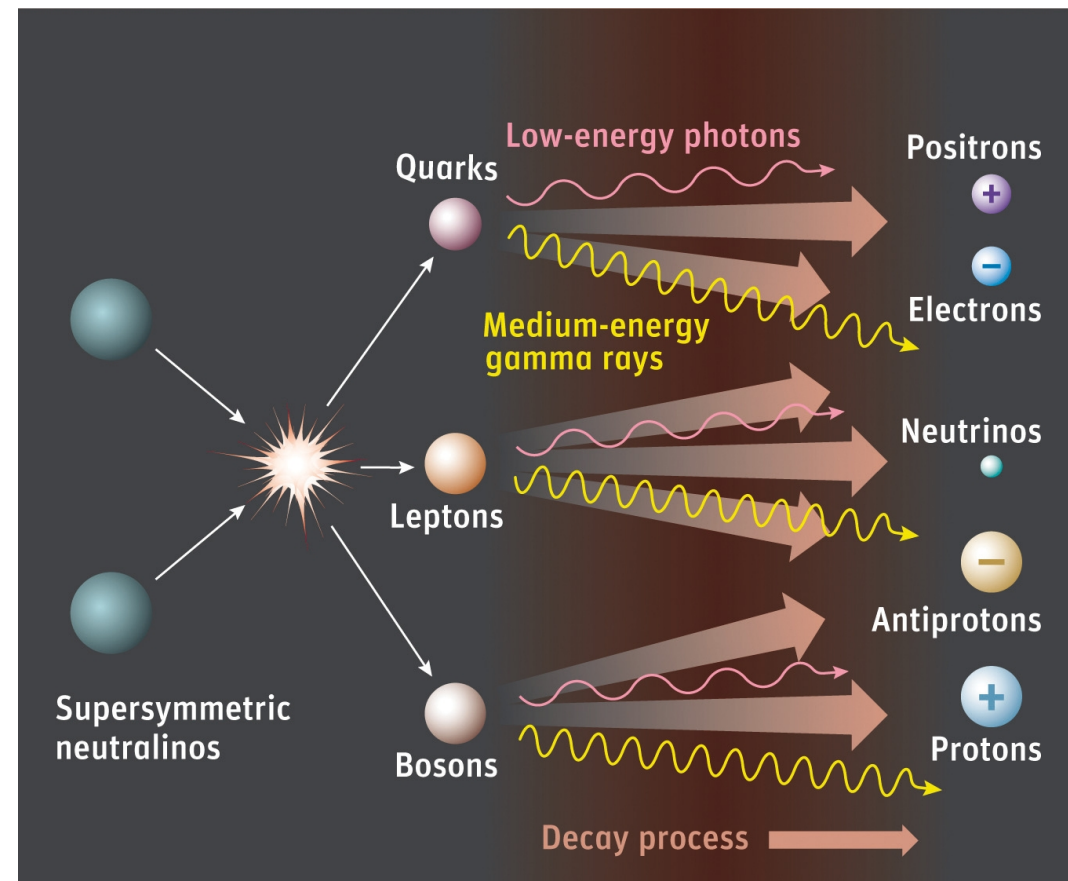
- Probes the DM regions that provide its gravitational evidence, ie “the places from which the problem came from”
- Looks for signals that can only be attributed to DM annihilation or decay because of their spectral and/or spatial features
- Signals can be searched for in the whole electromagnetic spectrum. cosmic rays (charged particles) and neutrinos

- **Disclaimers**

- In this talk DM  $\leftrightarrow$  WIMP
- I can't cover every experiments/results, sorry if I miss yours

# Indirect dark matter searches

- **Annihilation or decay of DM particle(s) in SM particles (primary channels)**
- **Then hadronization, decay, and radiation processes**  
→ **final states:**
  - photons
  - electrons/positrons
  - protons/antiprotons
  - neutrinos
- **Spectral features allow to determine mass and cross-section/lifetime**
- **Electrically neutral messengers don't get deflected**

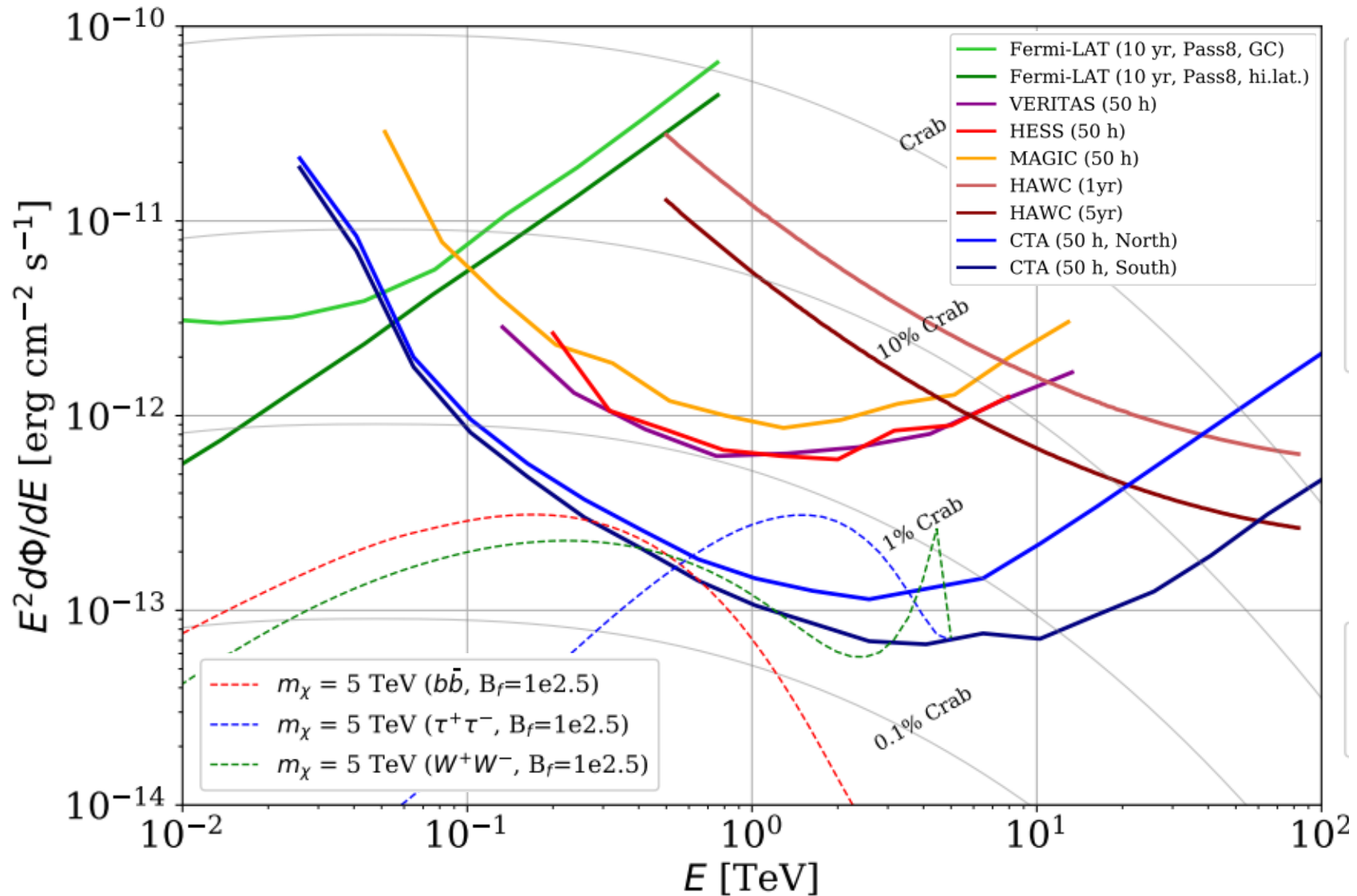


# Many type of detectors

- **Photons**
  - Fermi-LAT, DAMPE
  - H.E.S.S., MAGIC, VERITAS
  - HAWC, LHAASO
- **Neutrinos**
  - IceCube, ANTARES, KM3NeT...
- **Electrons/positrons**
  - AMS-02, CALET, DAMPE, Fermi-LAT...
- **Protons/antiprotons**
  - AMS-02, CALET, DAMPE, Fermi-LAT, GRAPES-III, CREAM...



# Sensitivity of gamma-ray detectors



# Expected flux

- In the case of dark matter **annihilation**:

$$\frac{\Phi_{\text{ann}}}{dE_\gamma}(E_\gamma, \Delta\Omega) = \frac{\langle\sigma v\rangle}{8\pi m_{\text{DM}}^2} \frac{dN}{dE} \Big|_{E=(1+z)E_\gamma} \times e^{-\tau(z, E_\gamma)} \times (1+z)^3 \underbrace{\int_0^{\Delta\Omega} \int_{\text{l.o.s.}} \rho(l, \Omega)^2 dl d\Omega}_{=: J_{\text{ann}}}$$

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## Inputs to the analysis

# Expected flux

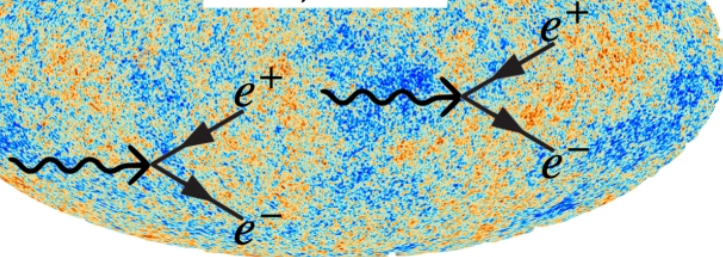
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Background radiation fields;  
CMB, EBL...



→ Ignored most of the time as we usually observe targets at  $z \sim 0$

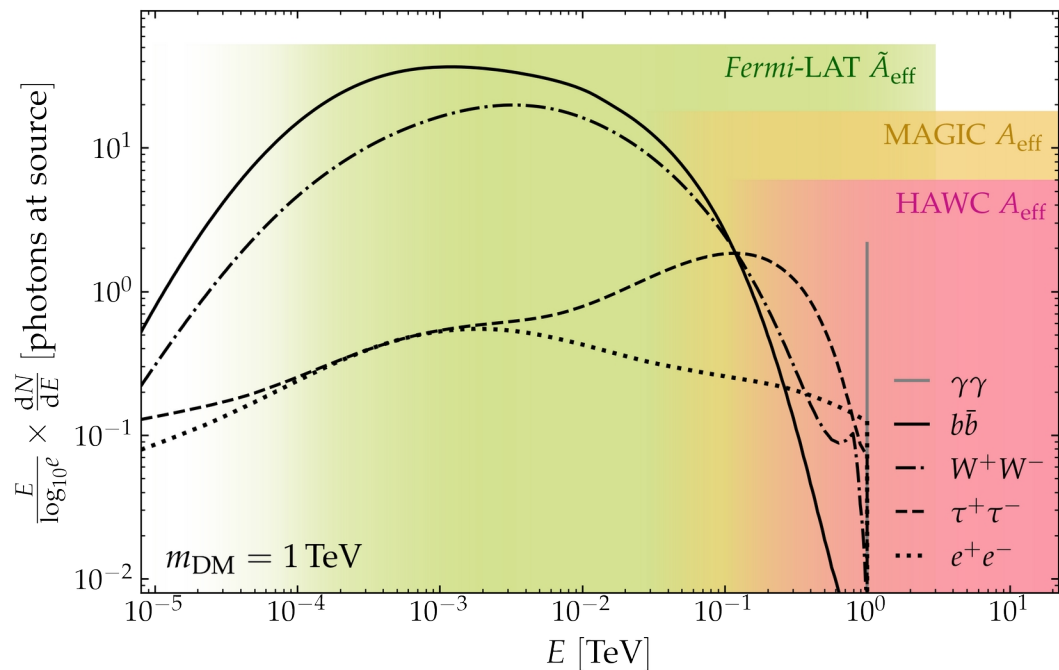
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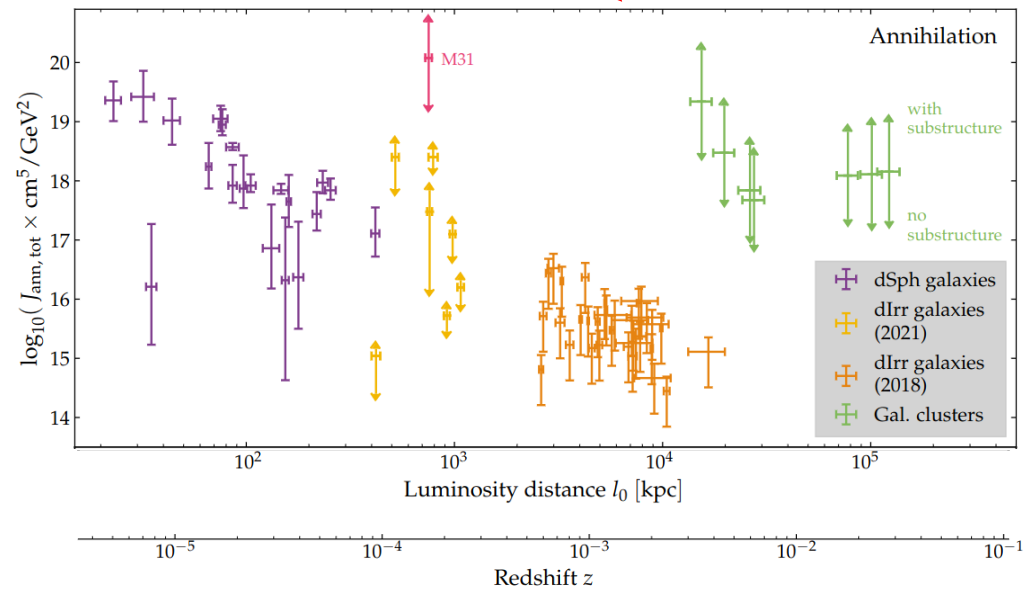
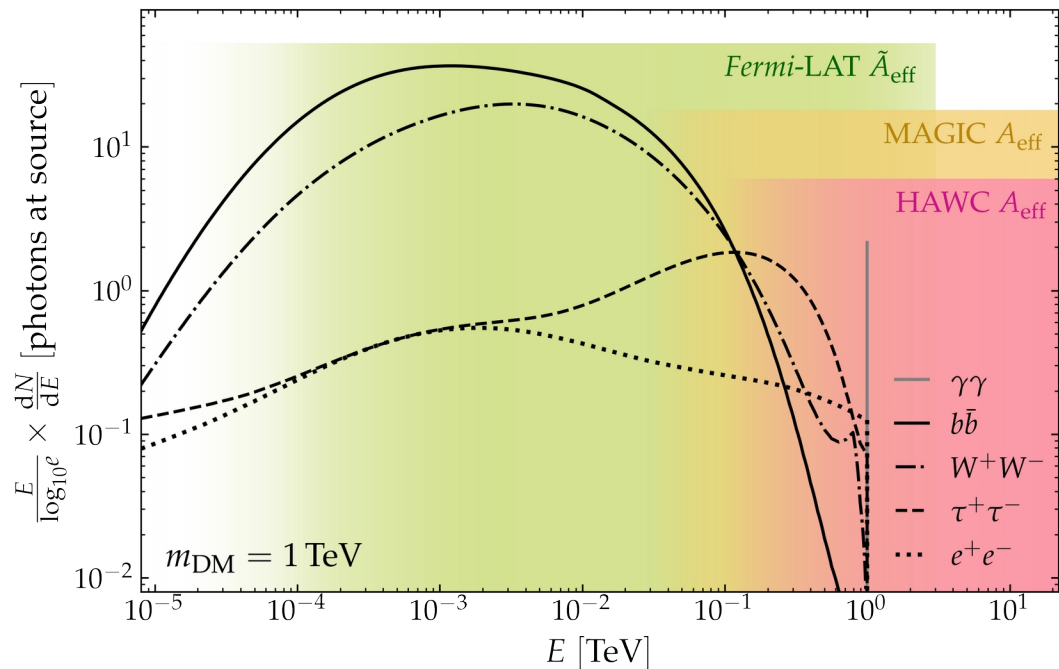
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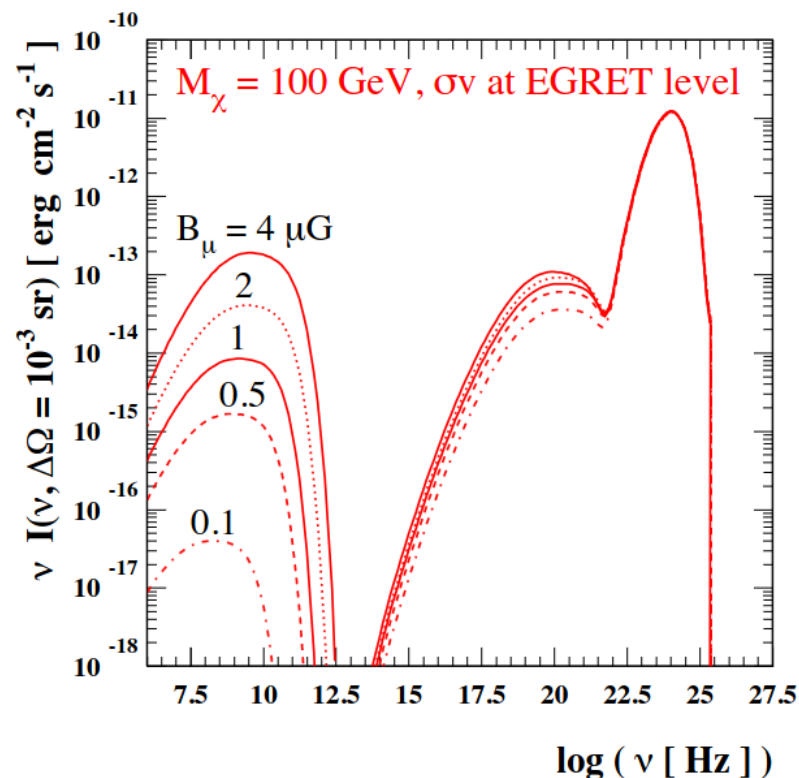
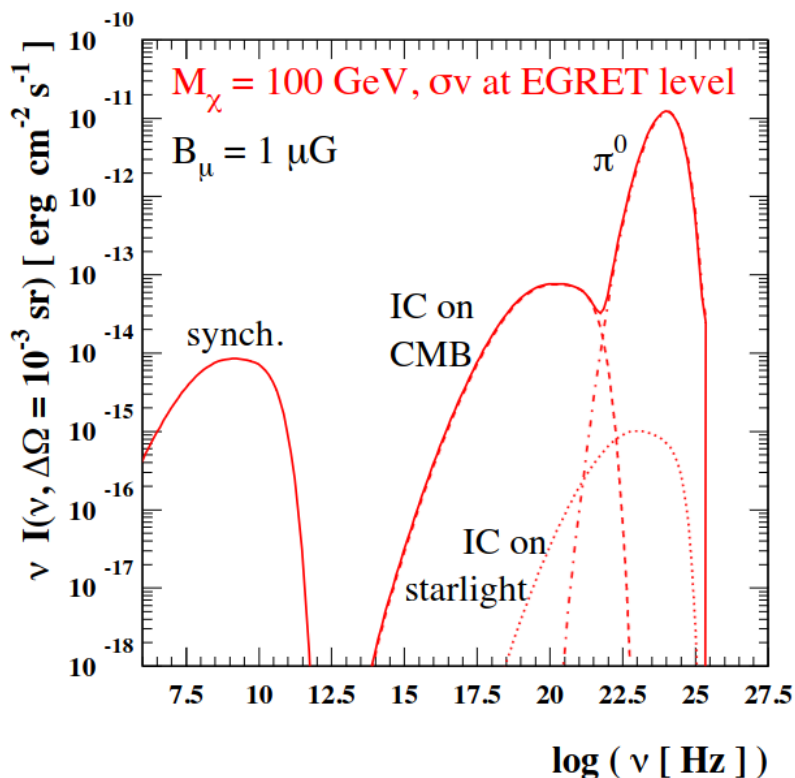
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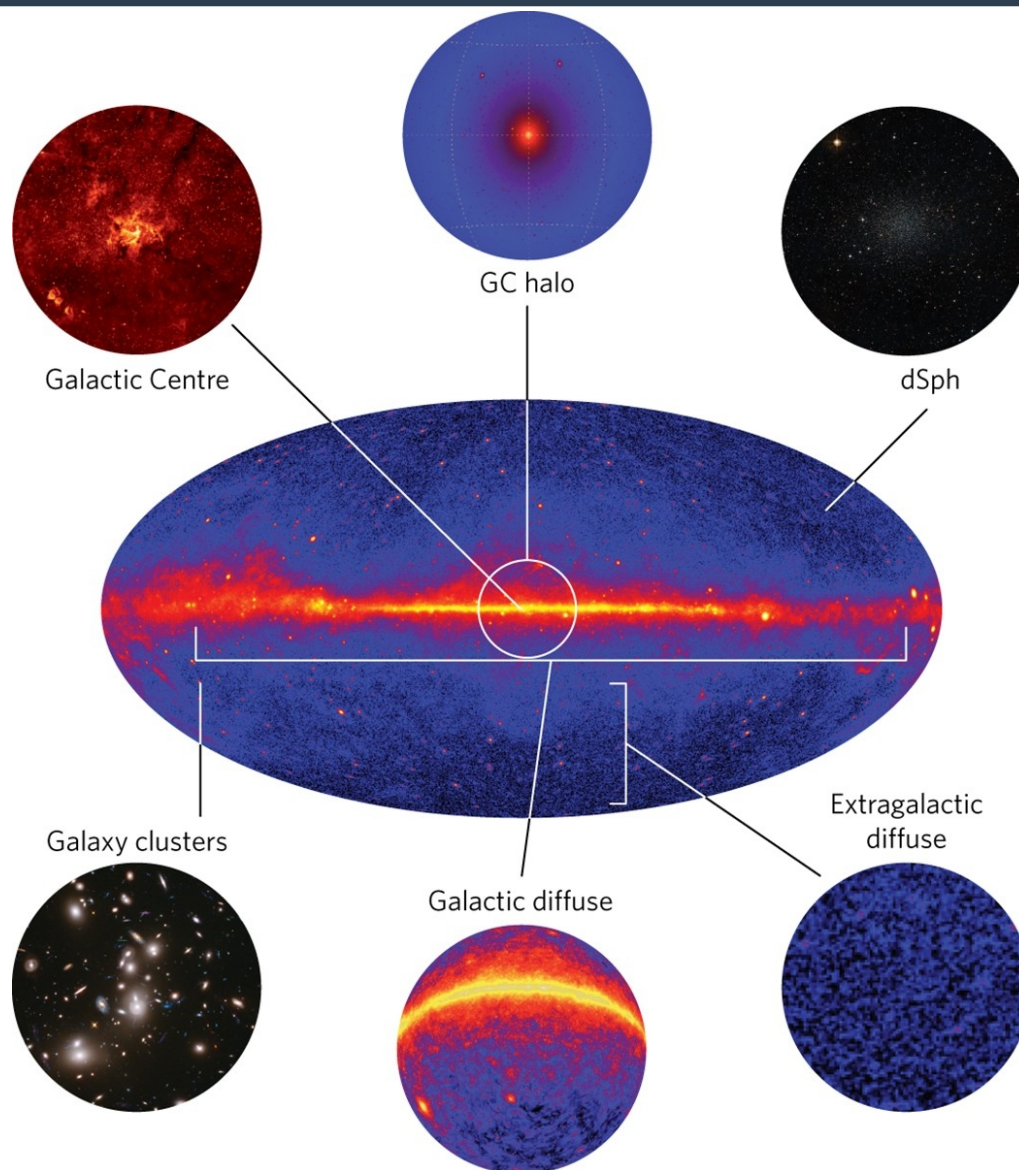
# Expected flux: the case of low energy (radio) photons

- Electron/positron population in the GeV-TeV range  $\rightarrow$  photon emission in the MHz-GHz range in presence of  $\sim \mu\text{G}$  magnetic fields

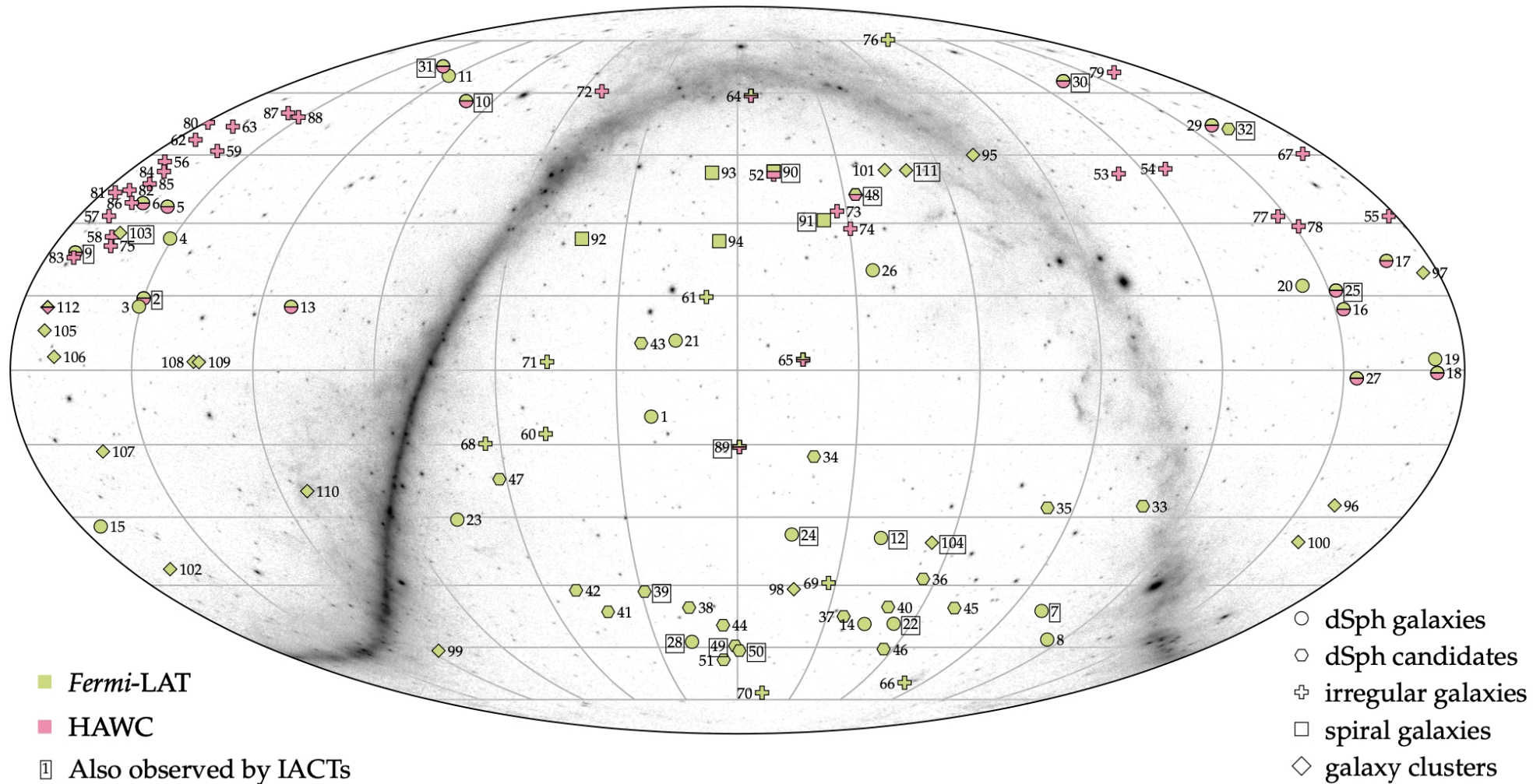
$$\frac{\partial n_e}{\partial t} = \nabla [D \nabla n_e] + \frac{\partial}{\partial E} [b_e(E) n_e] + Q_e(E, r)$$



# Various types of targets

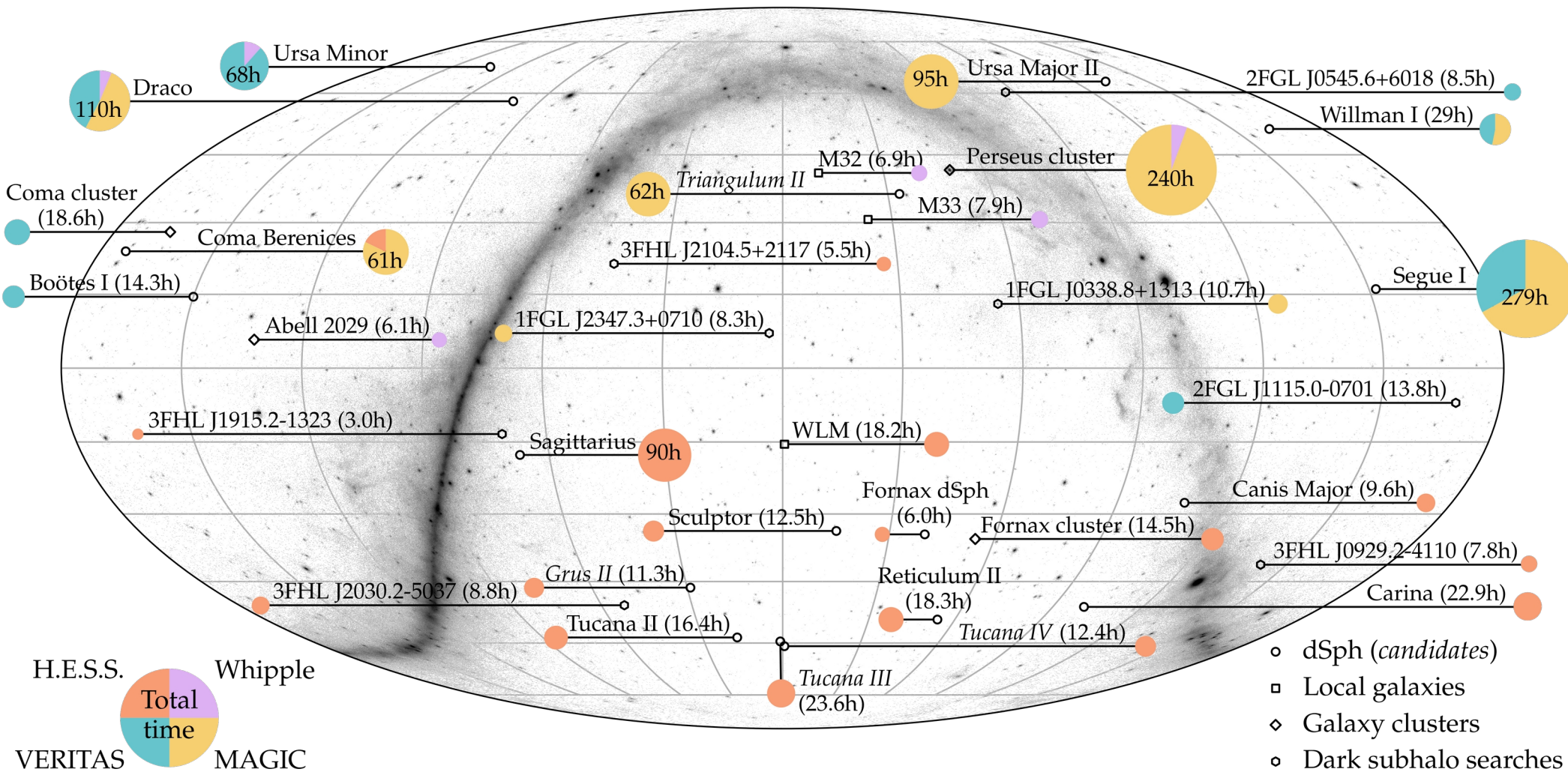


# Targets: Fermi-LAT and HAWC





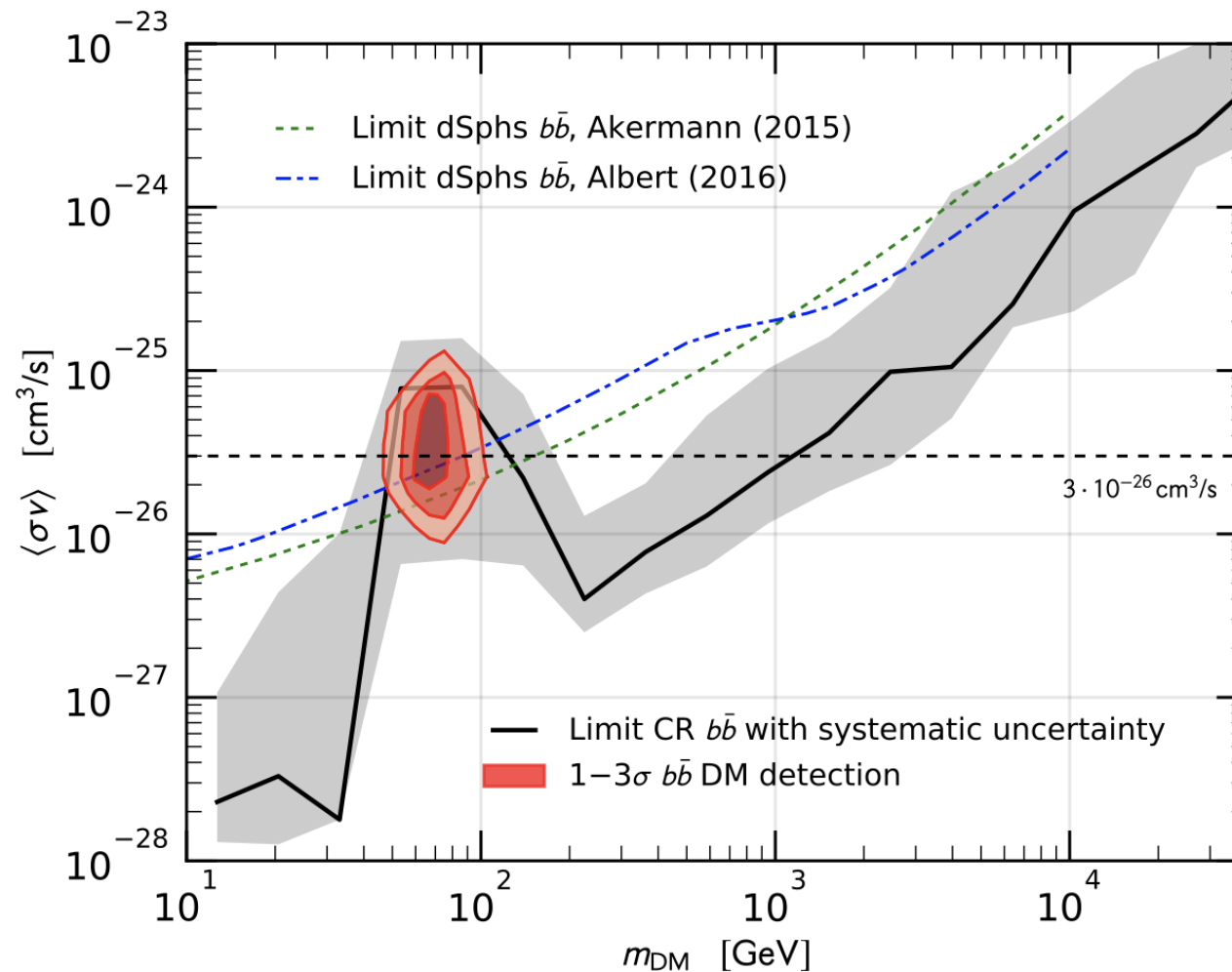
# Targets: IACTs





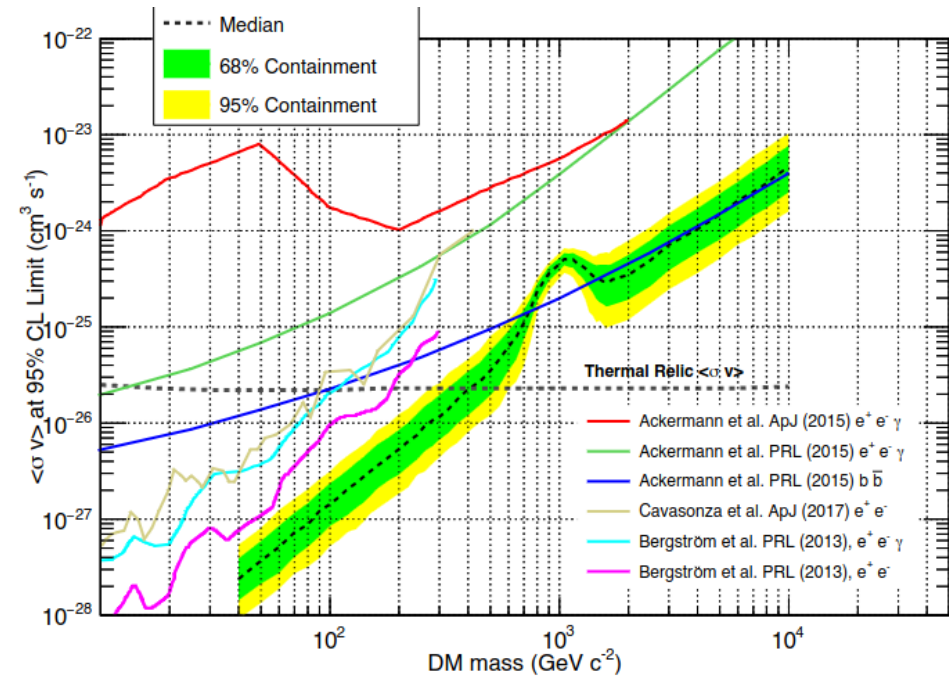
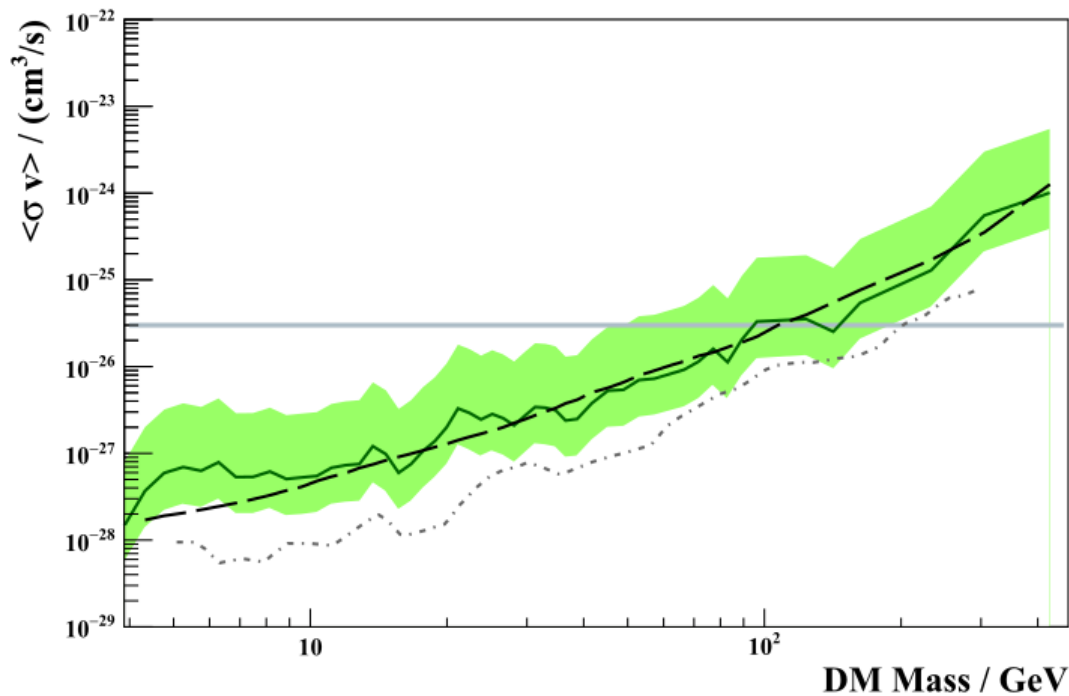
# Diffuse spectrum (I)

- Antiprotons



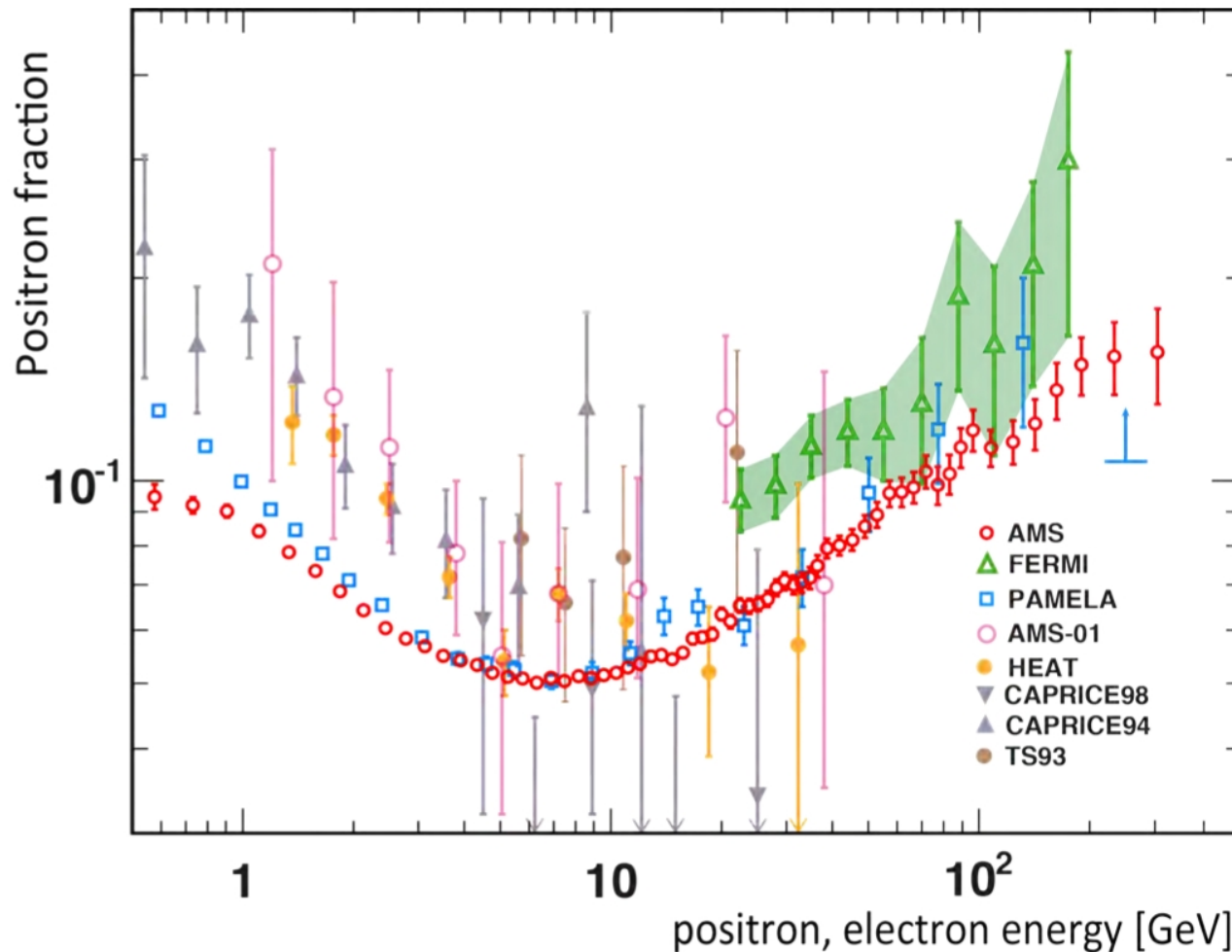
# Diffuse spectrum (II)

- Electrons + positrons



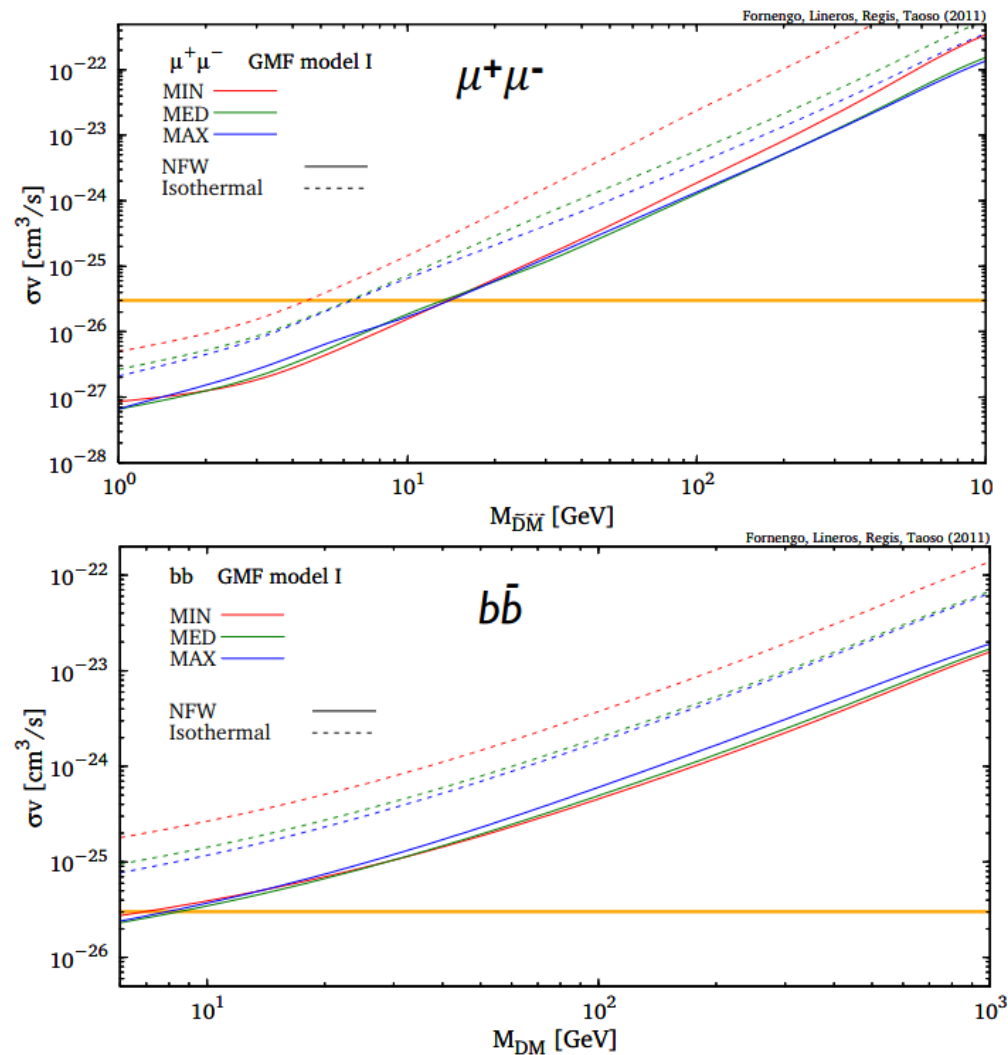
# Diffuse spectrum (III)

- Positron fraction



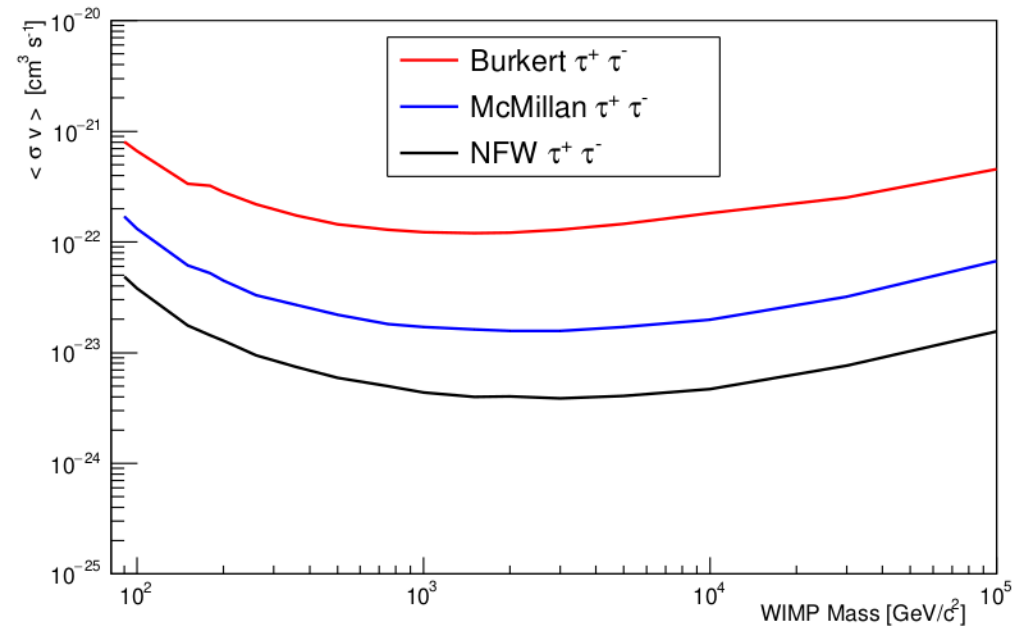
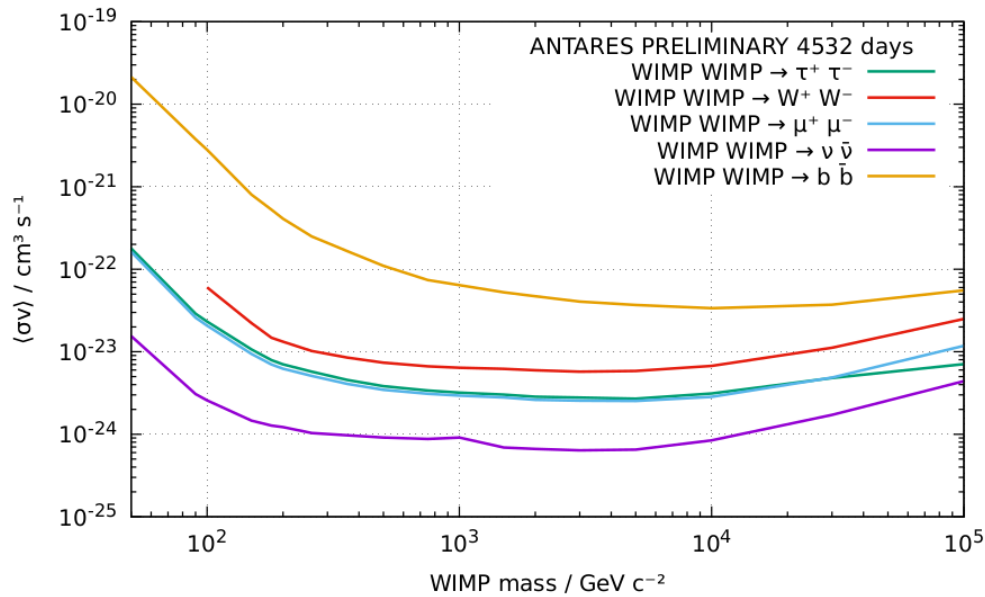
# Galactic Center (I)

- Low energy (radio) photons



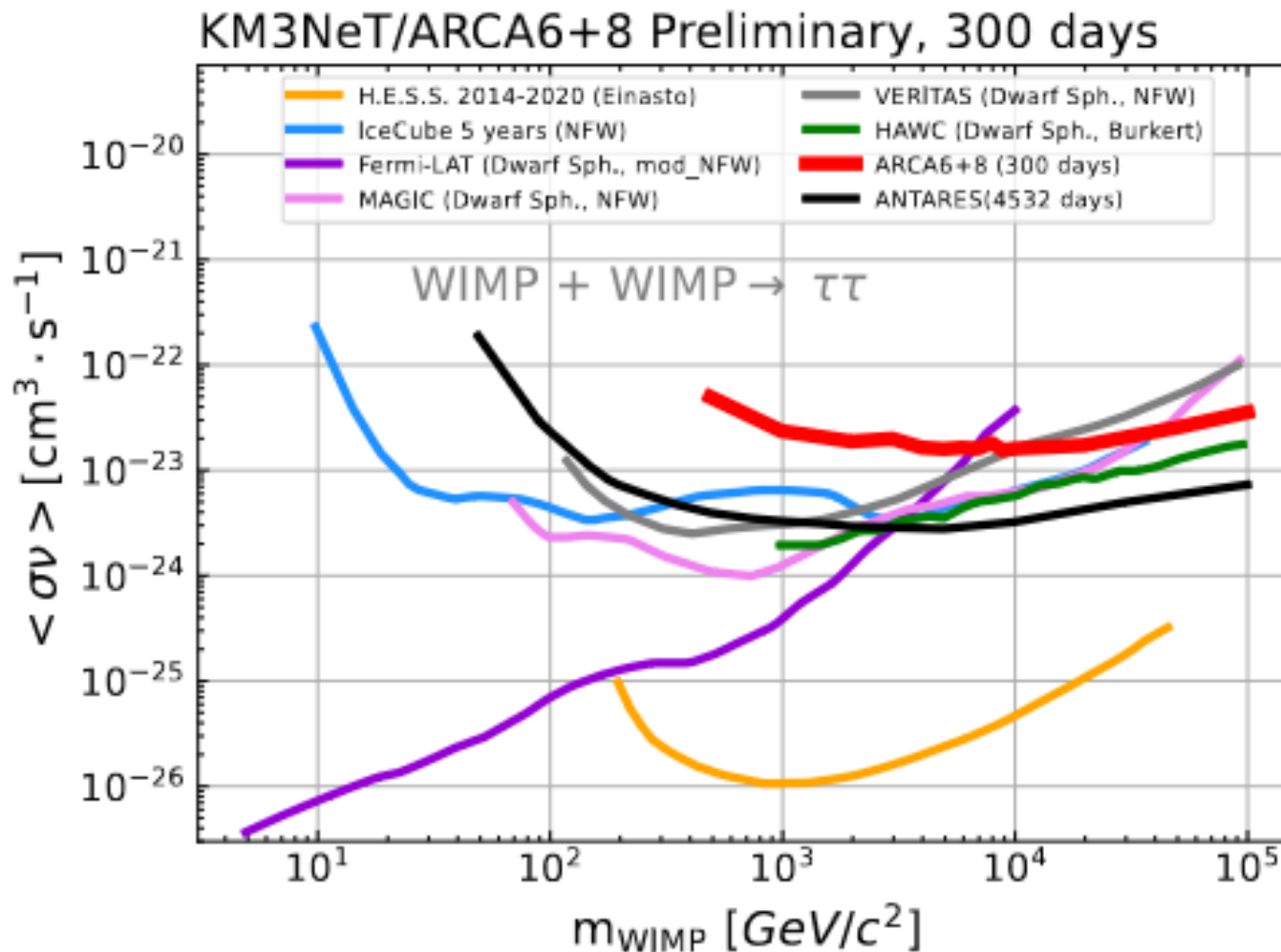
# Galactic Center (II)

- Neutrinos with ANTARES



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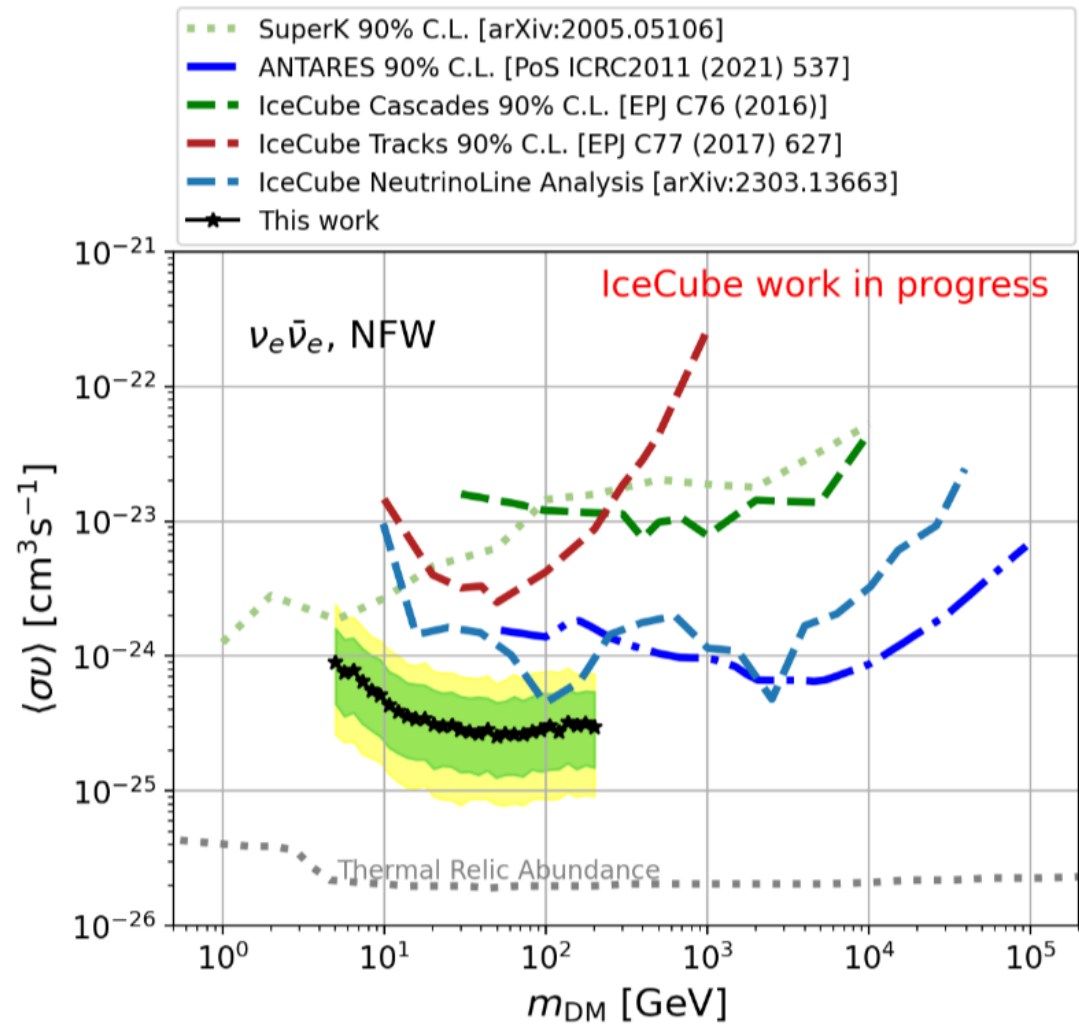
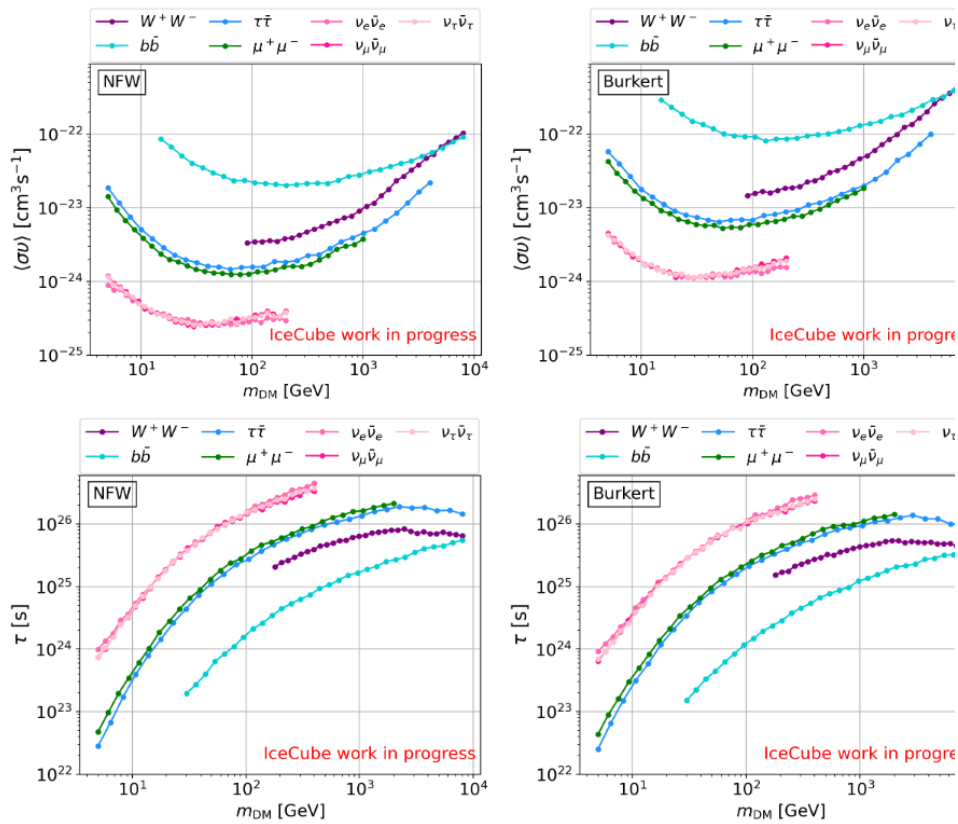
- Neutrinos with KM3NeT/ARCA





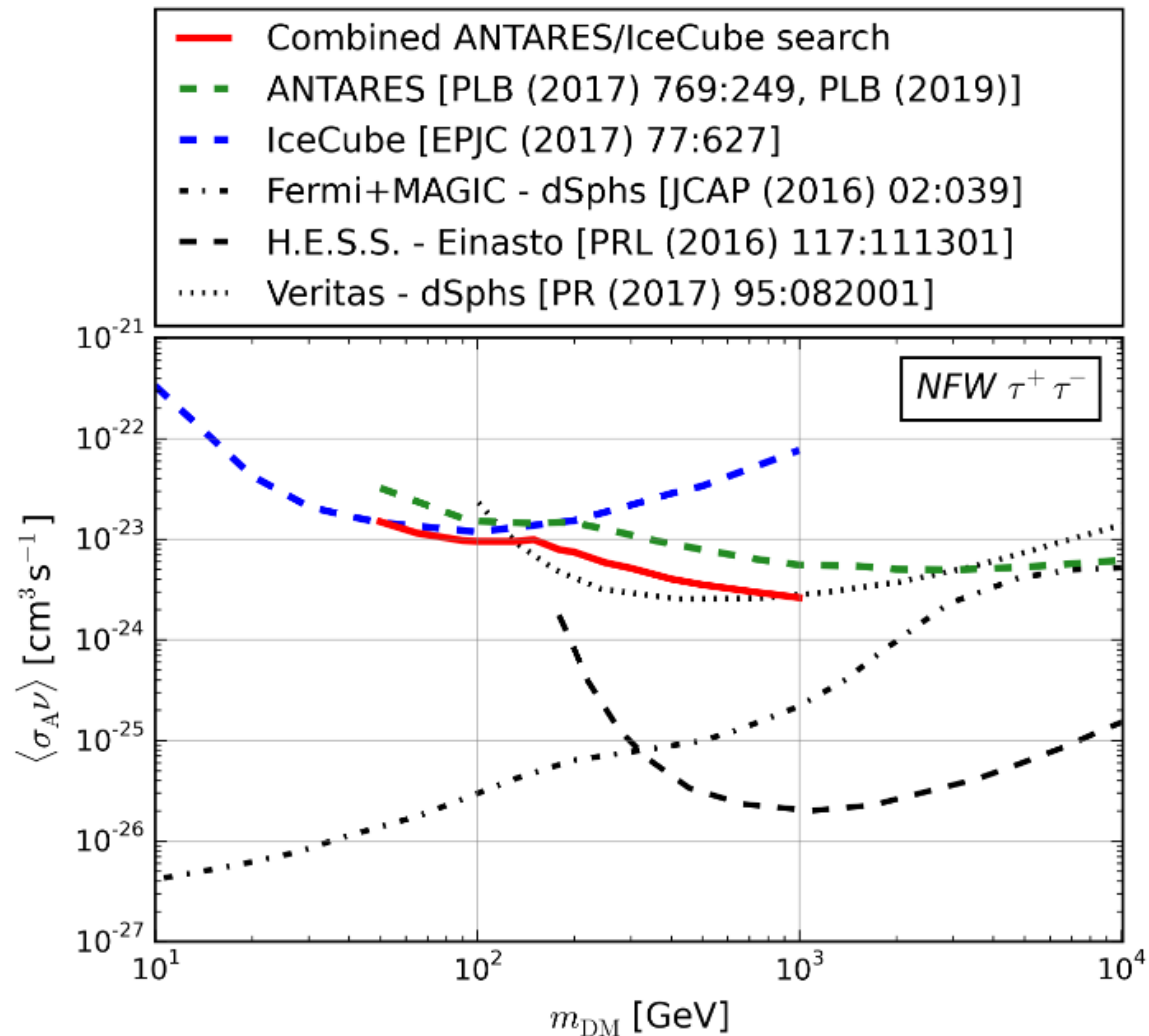
# Galactic Center (IV)

- Neutrinos with IceCube



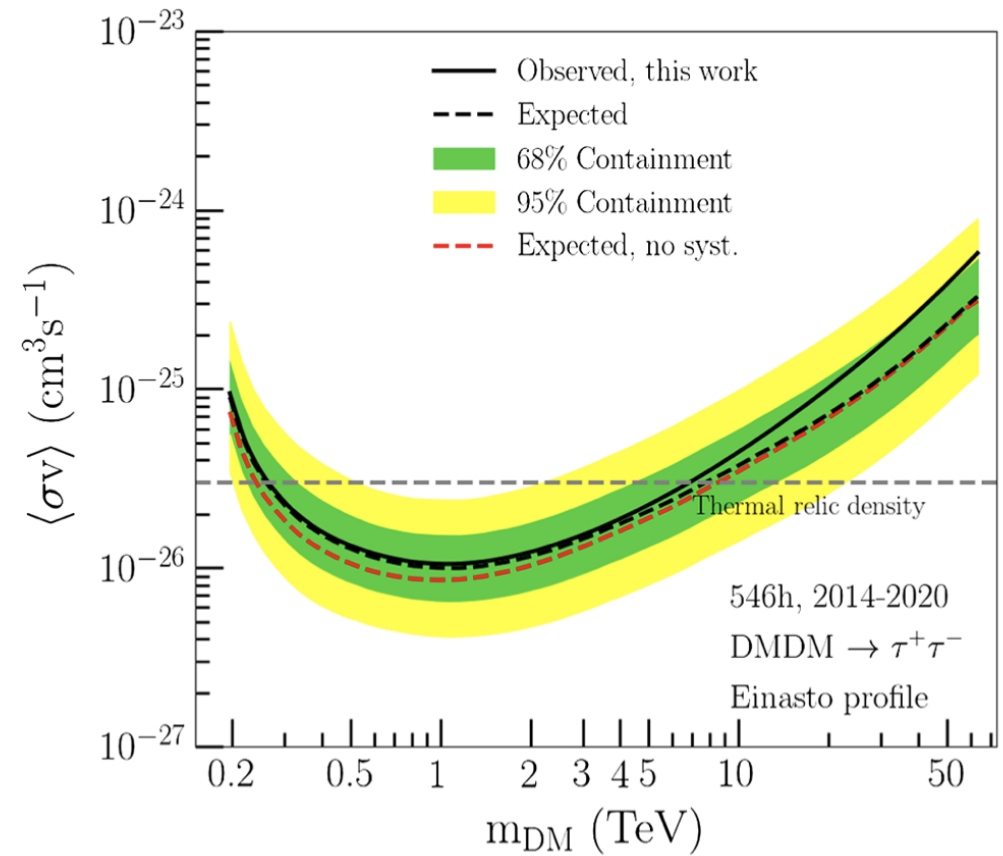
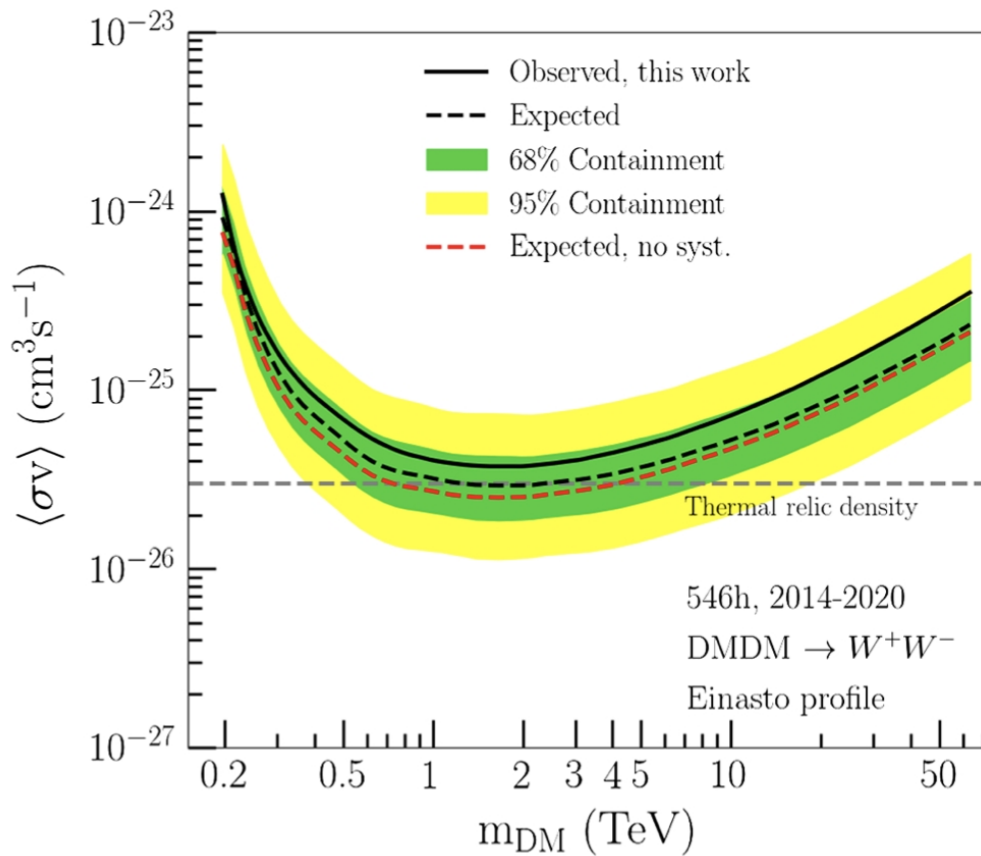
# Galactic Center (V)

- **Combined ANTARES+IceCube search**



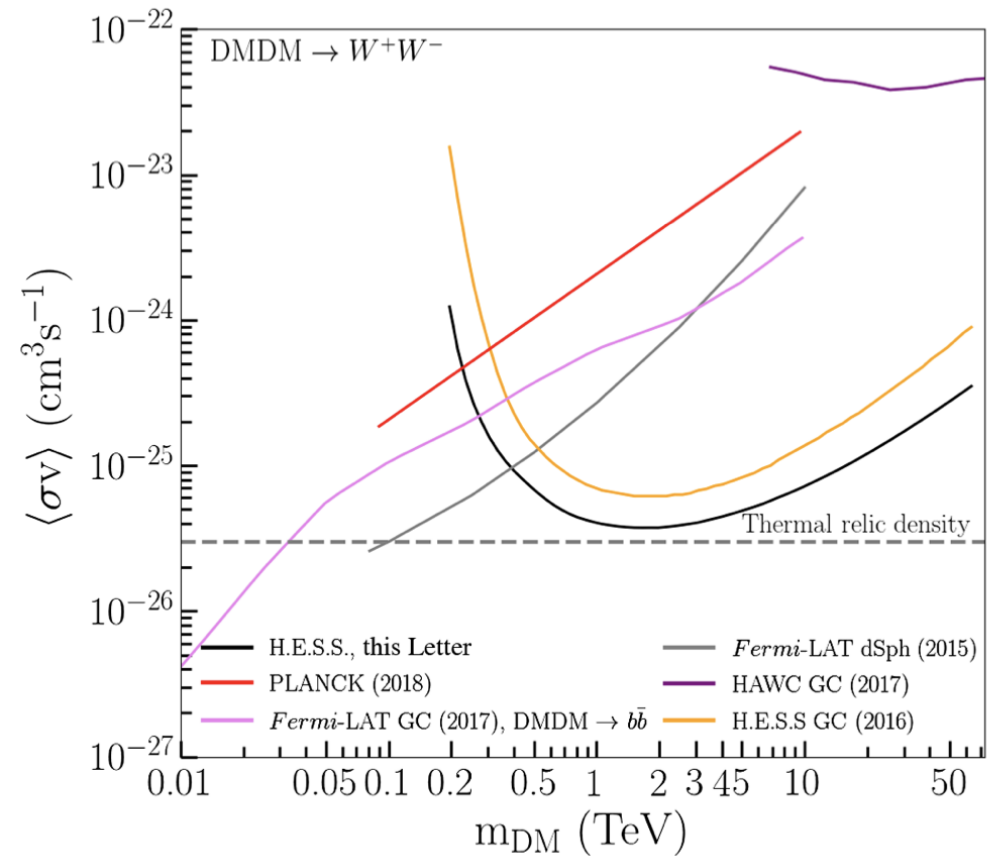
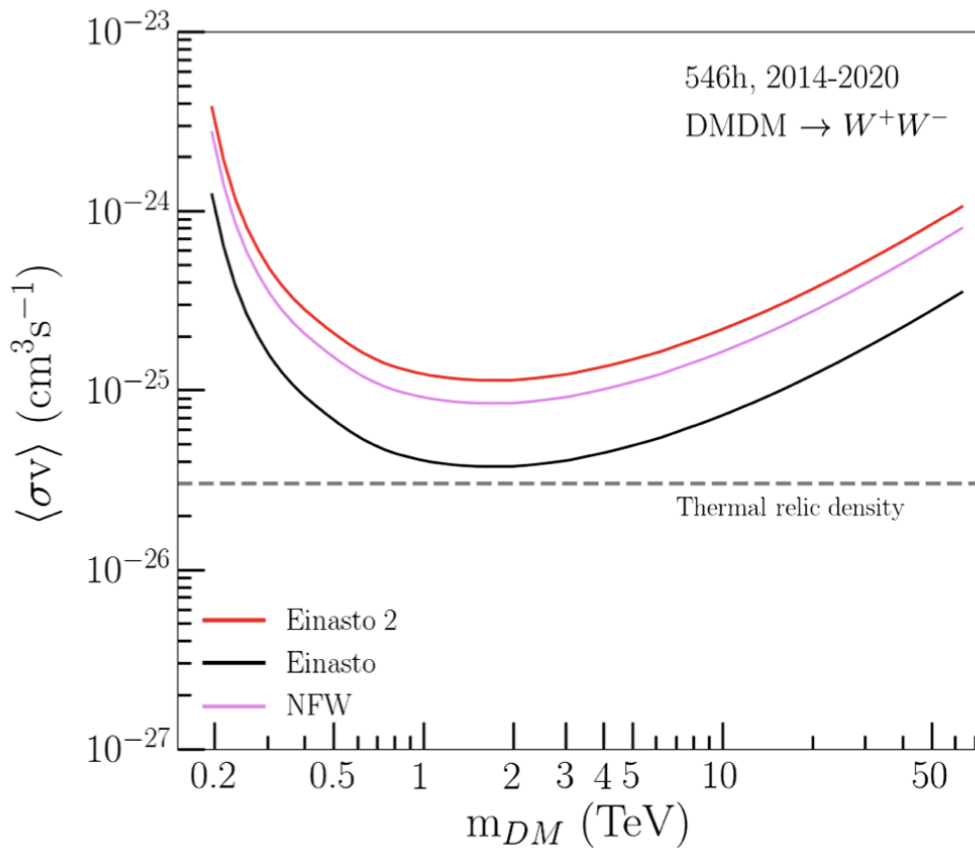
# Galactic Center (VI)

- High energy (gamma rays) photons, H.E.S.S.



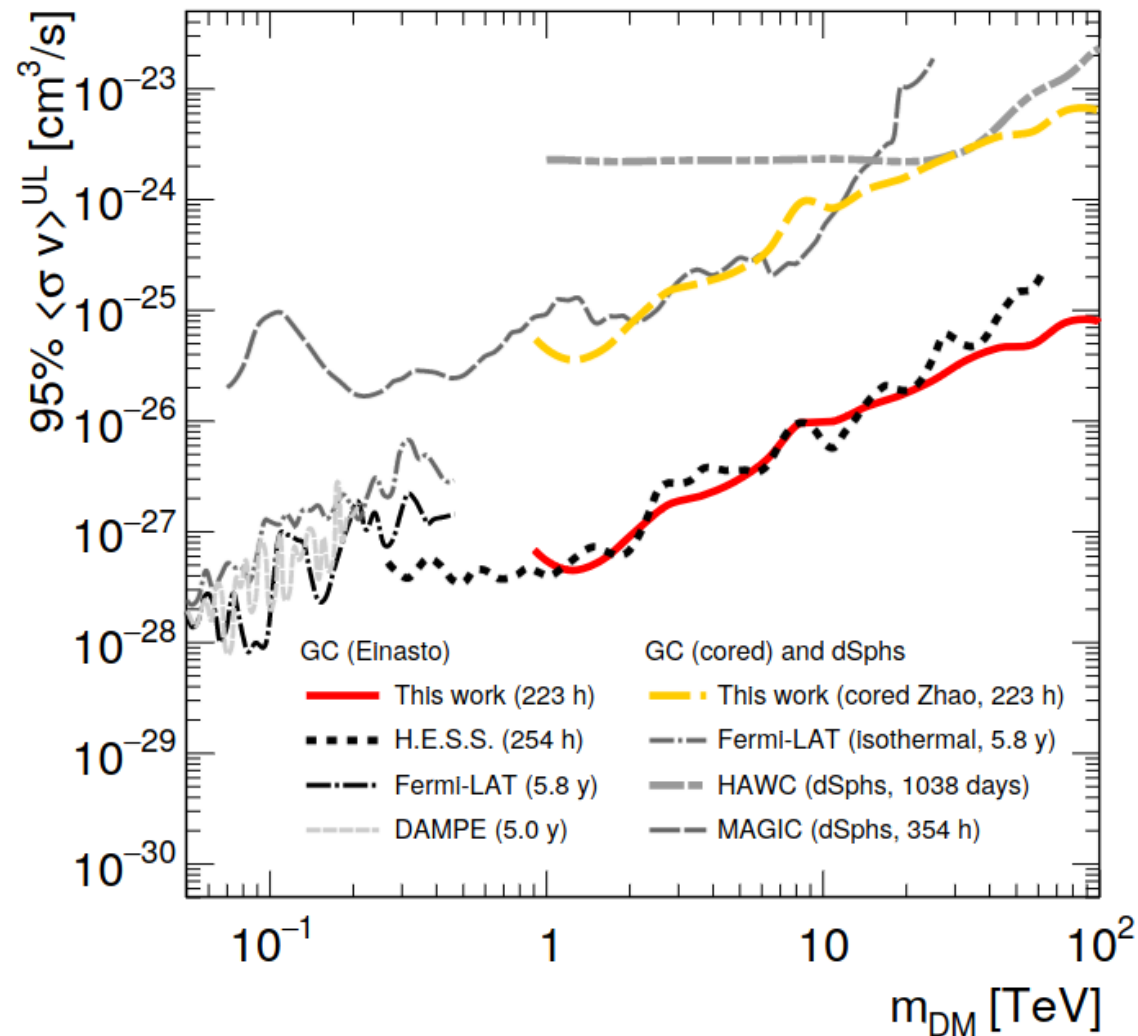
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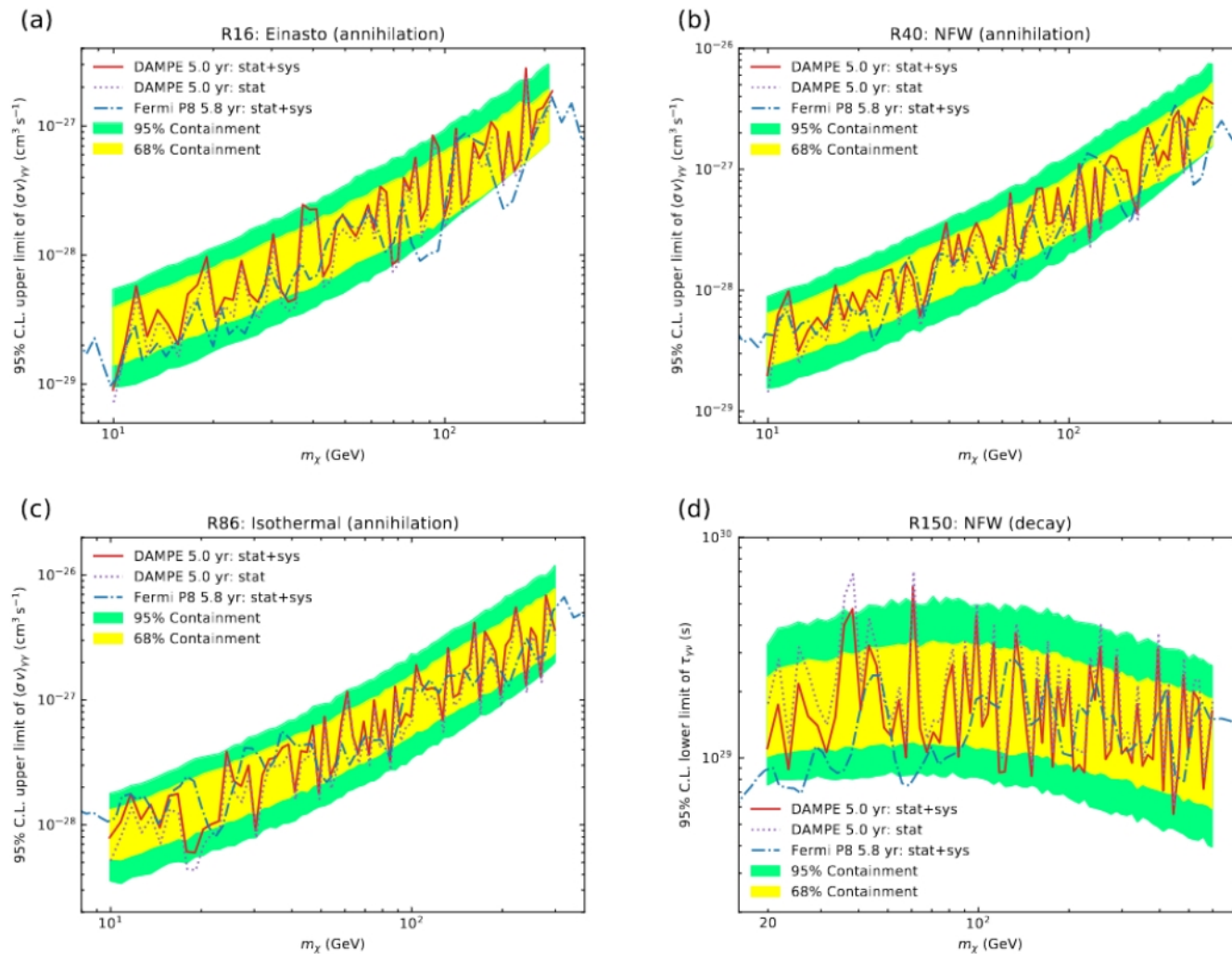
# Galactic Center (VIII)

- High energy (gamma rays) photons, MAGIC



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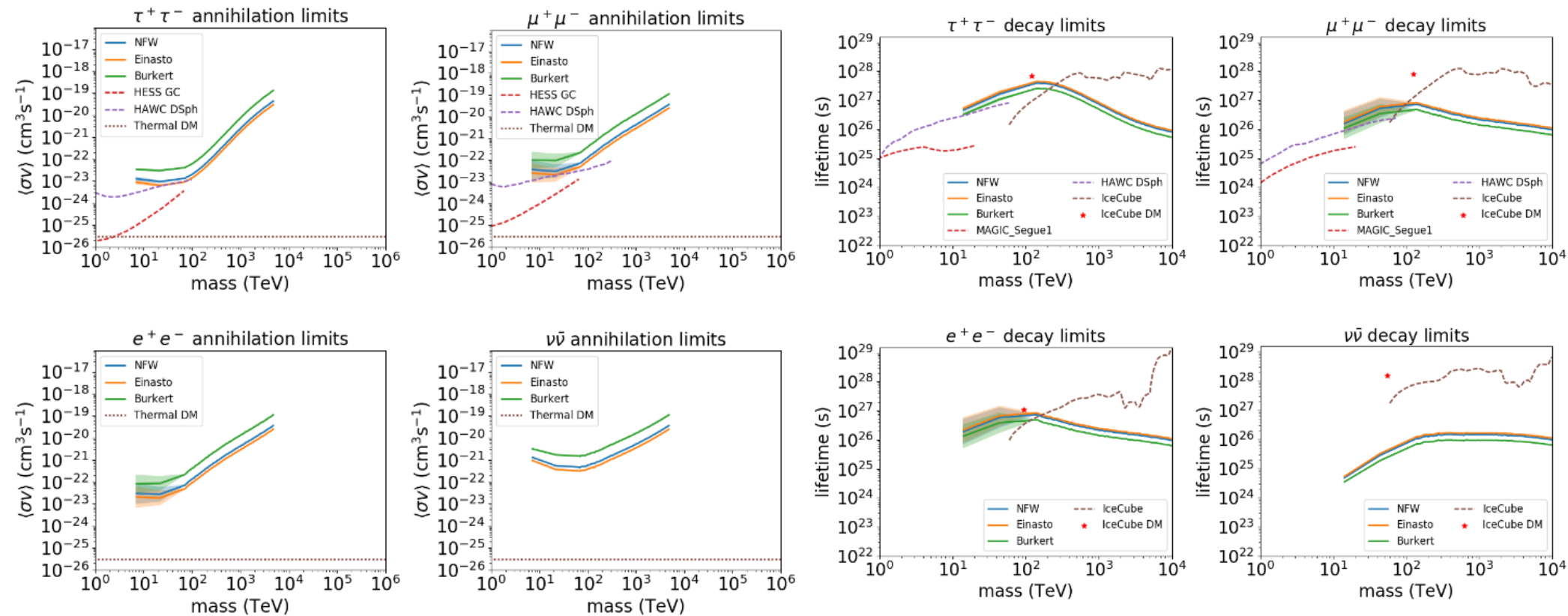
- High energy (gamma rays) photons, DAMPE





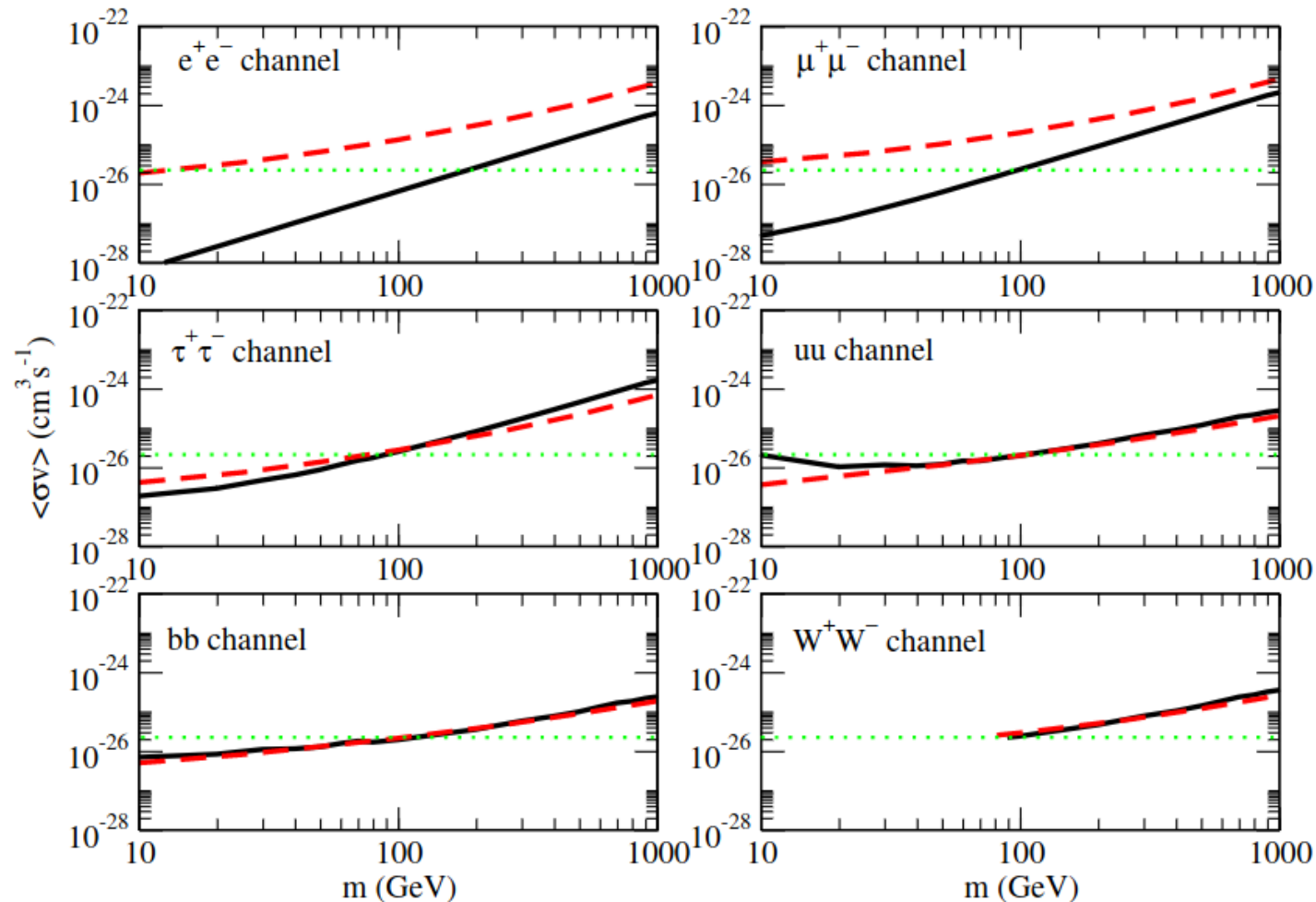
# Galactic Center (X)

- High energy (gamma rays) photons, HAWC



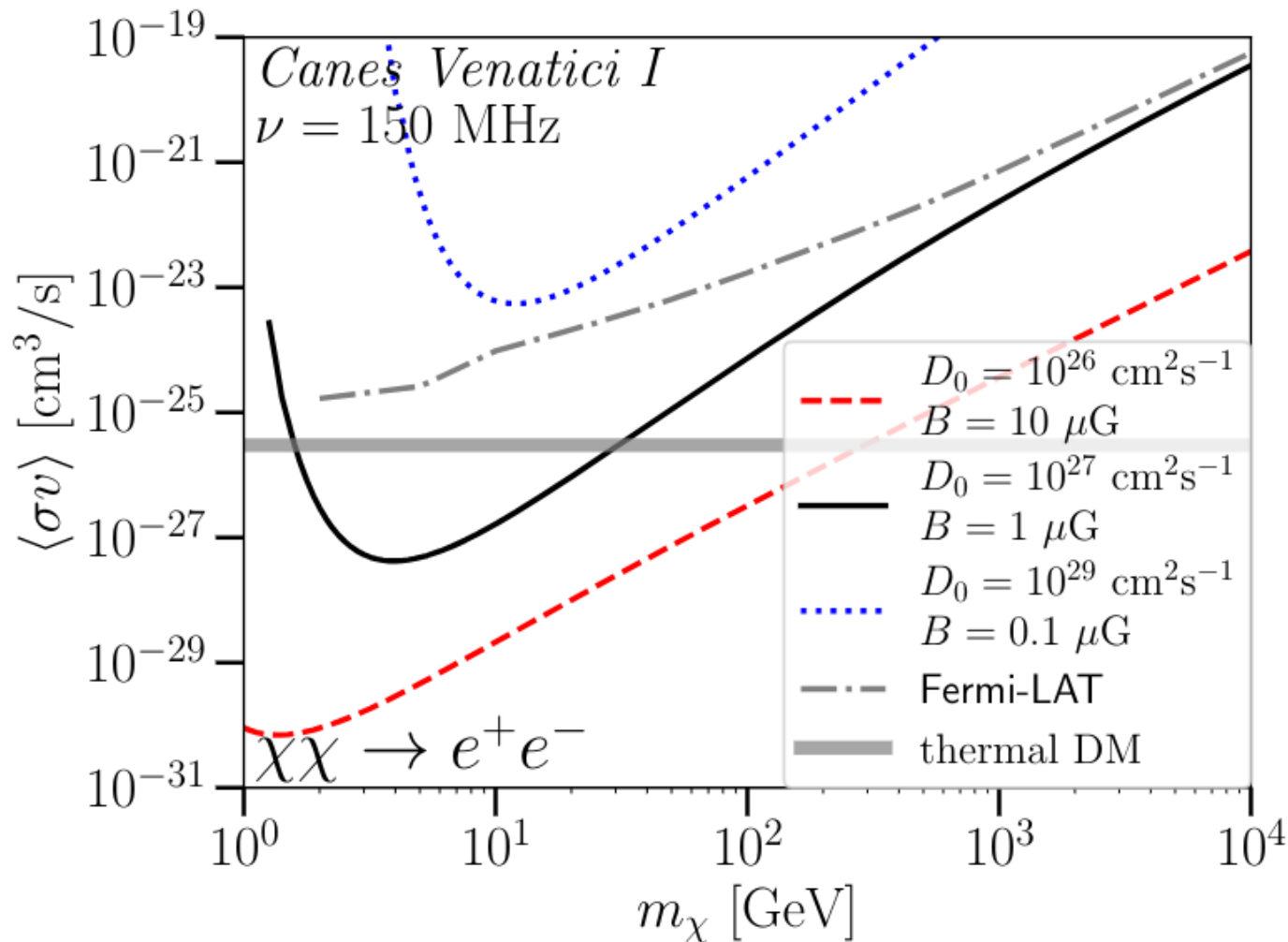
# Galaxies: M31 (Andromeda)

- Low energy (radio) photons with Westerbork Synthesis Radio Telescope data



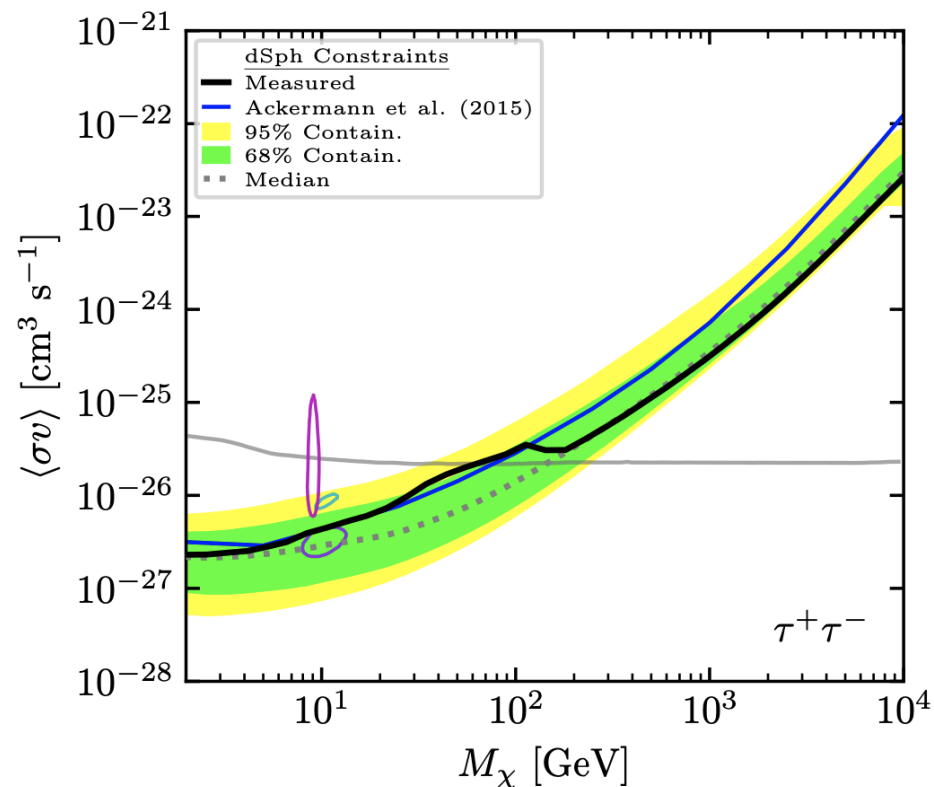
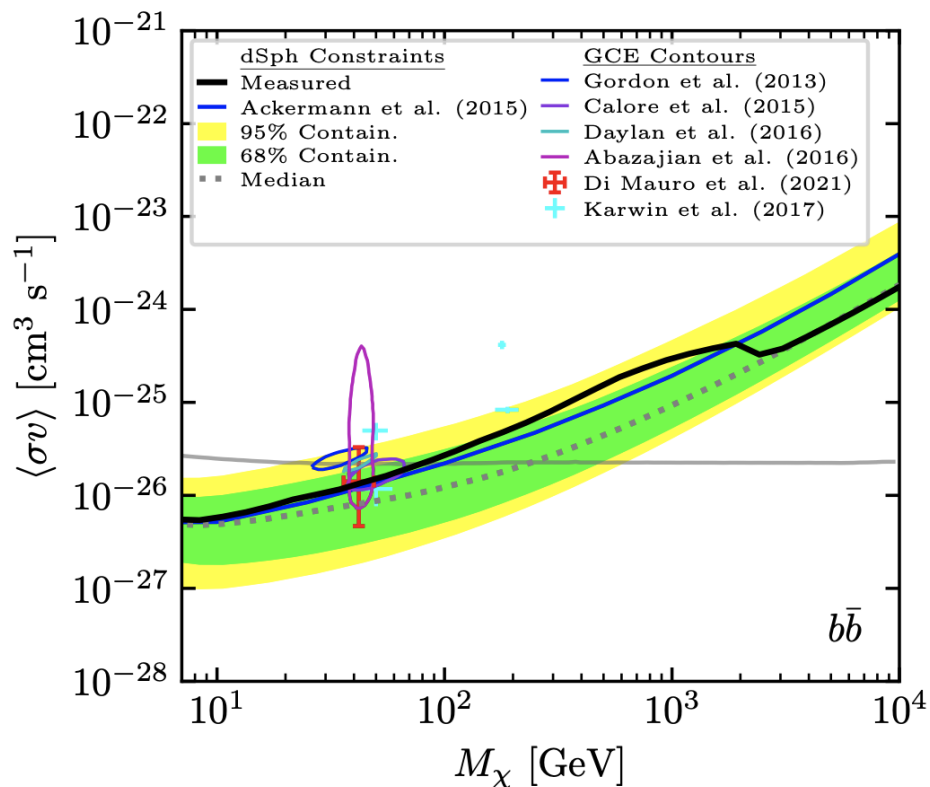
# Dwarf spheroidal galaxies (I)

- Low energy (radio) photons, Canes Venatici I (dSph) with LOFAR



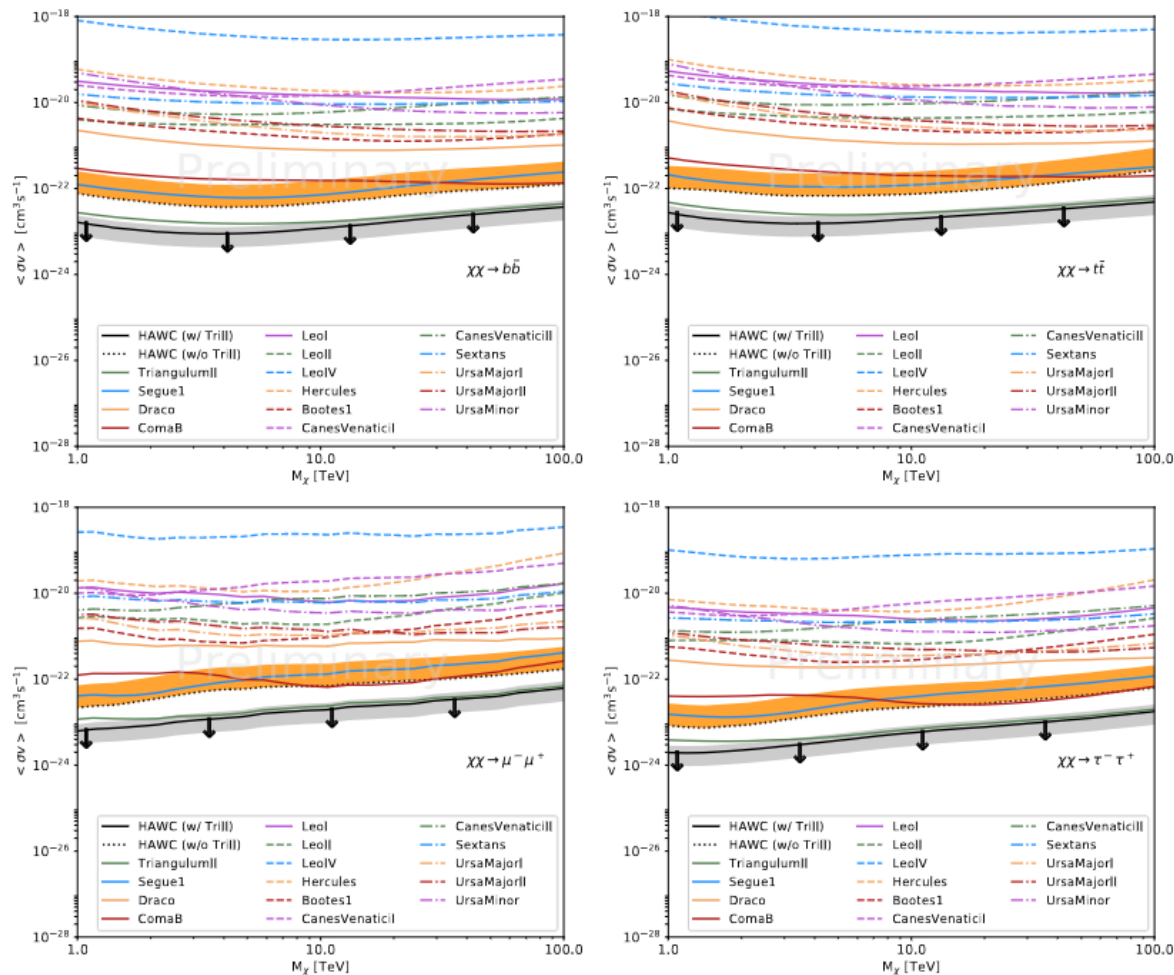
# Dwarf spheroidal galaxies (II)

- High energy (gamma rays) photons, Fermi-LAT  
→ 14 years of data, >30 dSphs



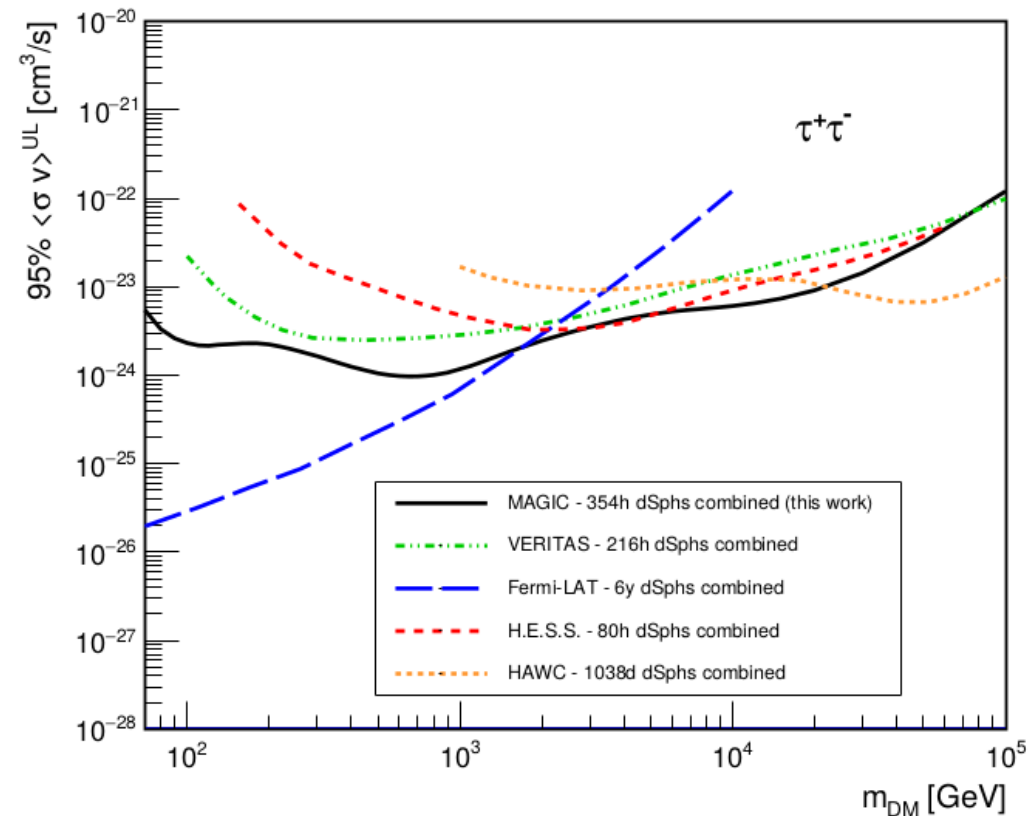
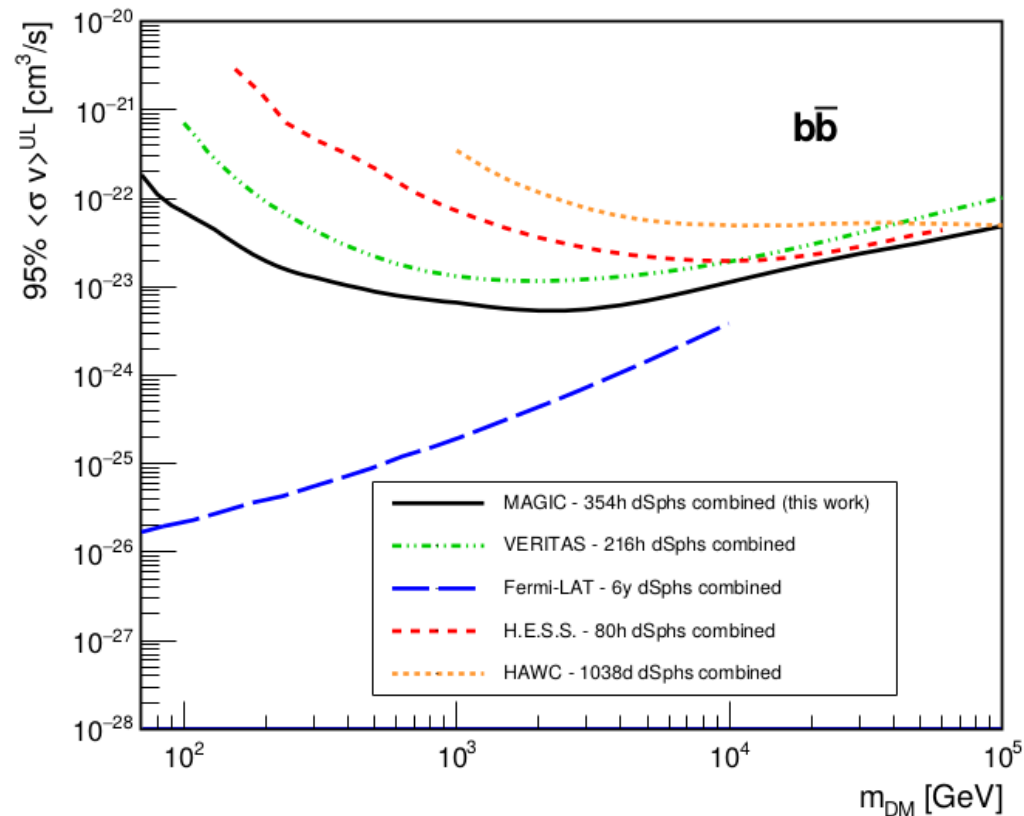
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- High energy (gamma rays) photons, HAWC
  - 507 days of data, 15 dSphs



# Dwarf spheroidal galaxies (IV)

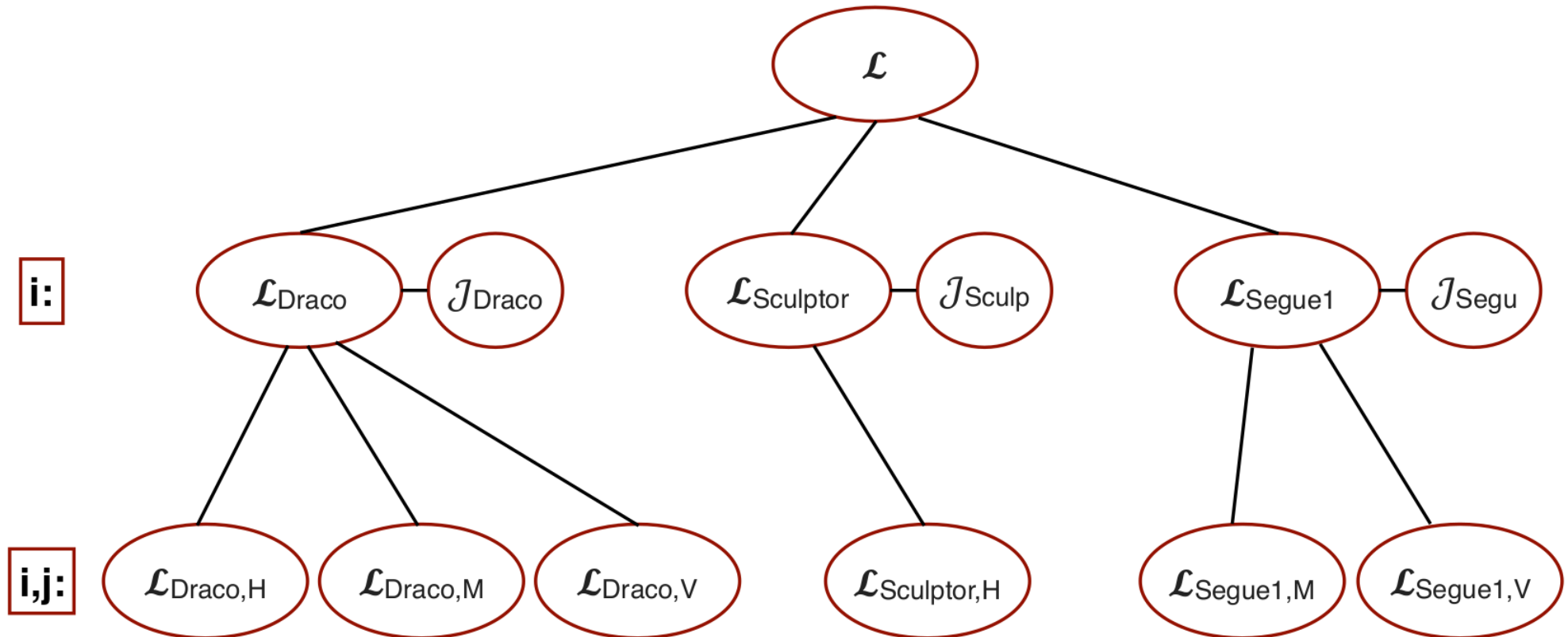
- High energy (gamma rays) photons, MAGIC  
→ 354h of data, 4 dSphs



# Combined likelihood analysis

The combined likelihood:

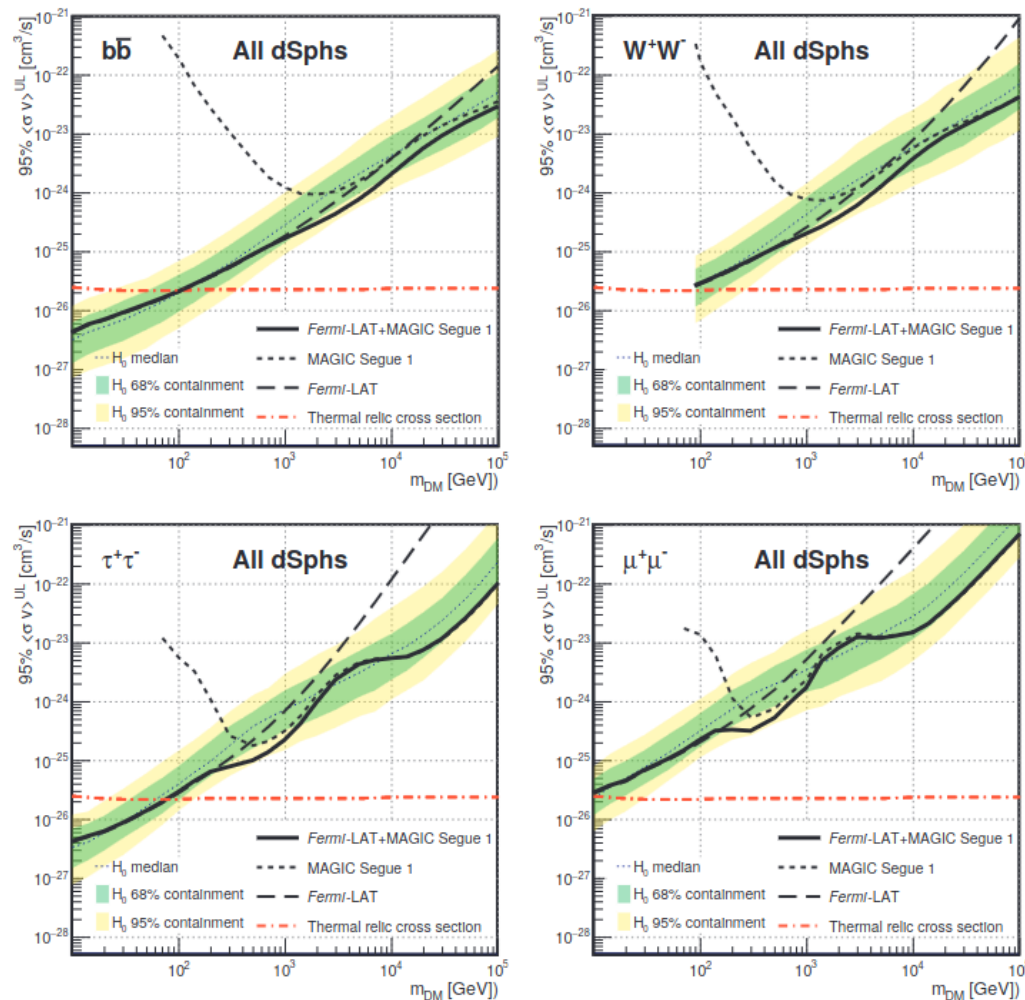
$$\mathcal{L}(\langle \sigma v \rangle; \nu \mid \mathcal{D}_{\text{dSphs}}) = \prod_{l=1}^{N_{\text{dSphs}}} \mathcal{L}_{\text{dSph},l}(\langle \sigma v \rangle; J_l, \nu_l \mid \mathcal{D}_{l,\text{measured}}) \times \mathcal{J}_l(J_l \mid J_{l,\text{obs}}, \sigma_{\log J_l})$$





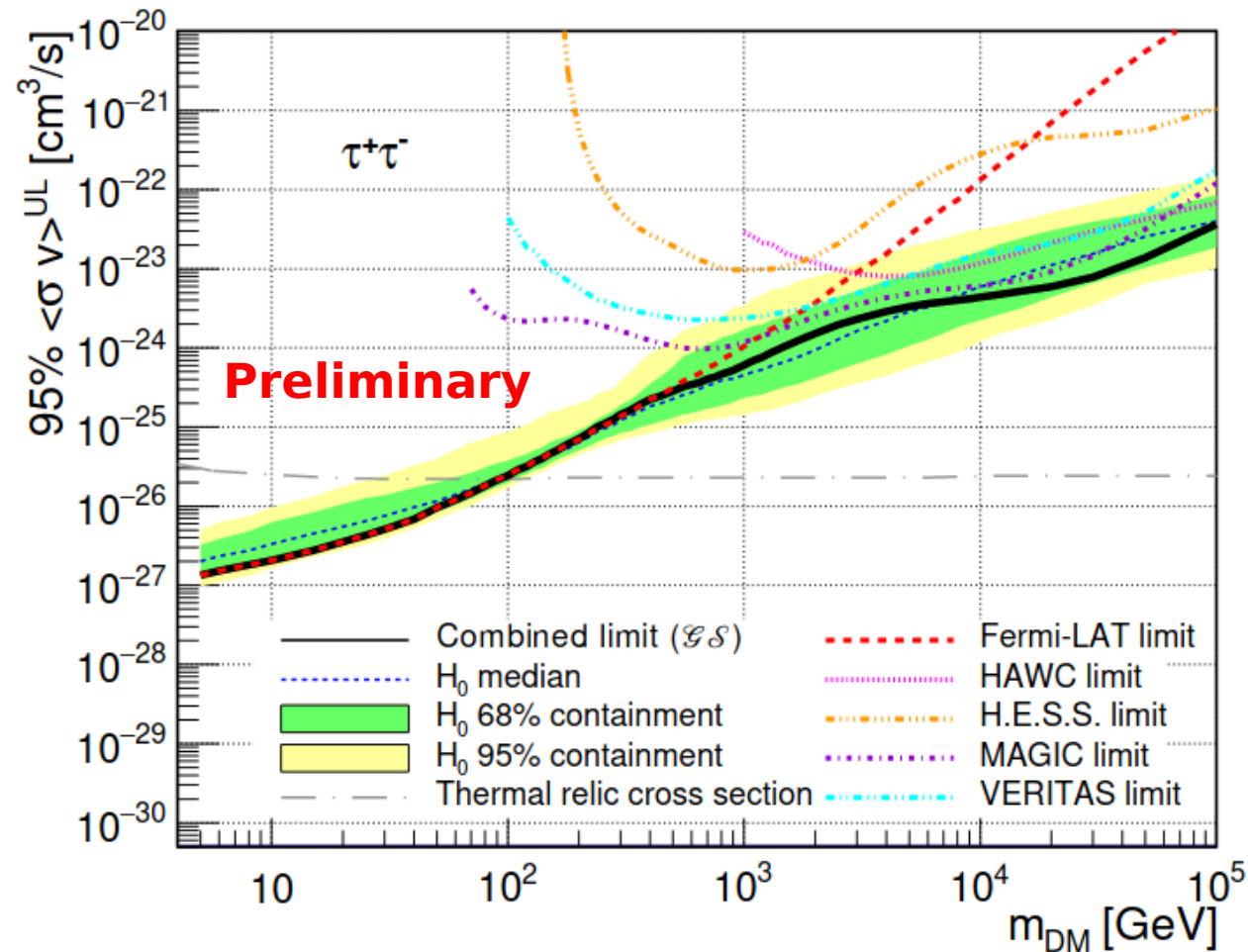
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- High energy (gamma rays) photons  
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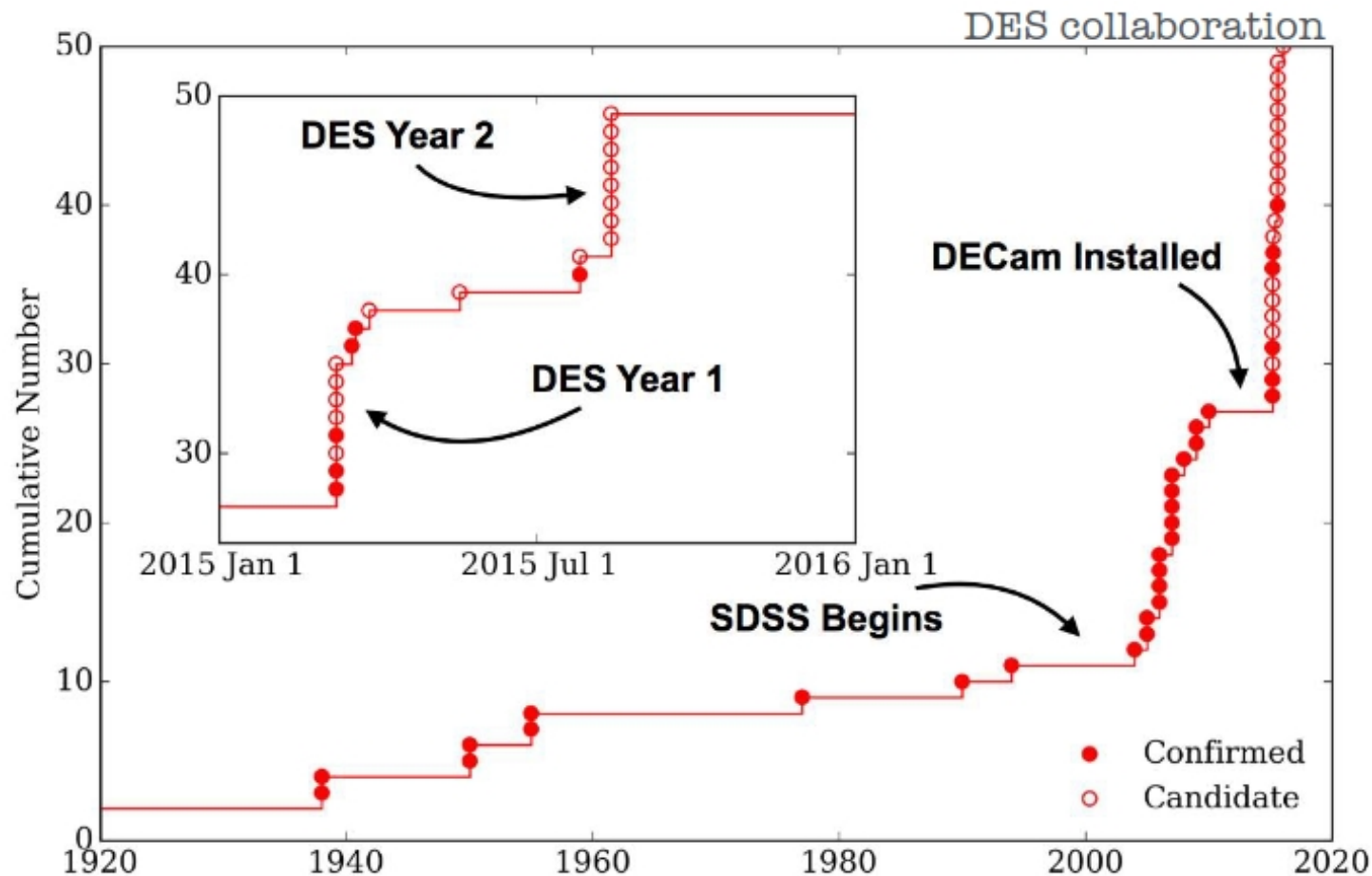
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- High energy (gamma rays) photons  
→ Fermi-LAT + HAWC + H.E.S.S. + MAGIC + VERITAS



# Conclusion: what's next?

- ~ 50 dSphs discovered so far
- Future surveys, like LSST, will likely/hopefully find more dSphs



# Conclusion: what's next?

- **More sensitive instruments are and will come in the next years**
  - SKA, LHAASO, CTA
  - KM3NeT (ORCA & ARCA), IceCube-Gen2
  - HERD
- **More of multi-instrument and multi-target analysis**
  - more data, more systematic search, less bias
- **Combination between different wavelengths (e.g. radio and gamma) and other messengers (e.g. neutrinos, gamma rays, and maybe charged cosmic rays)**
  - more data, more channels, more harmonization/standardization of the analysis pipeline
- **Revision/update of the inputs to the analysis (J-factors,  $dN/dE$ )**
  - better evaluations of the systematics