

V404 Cyg High-Energy Gamma-ray emission detected with Fermi-LAT

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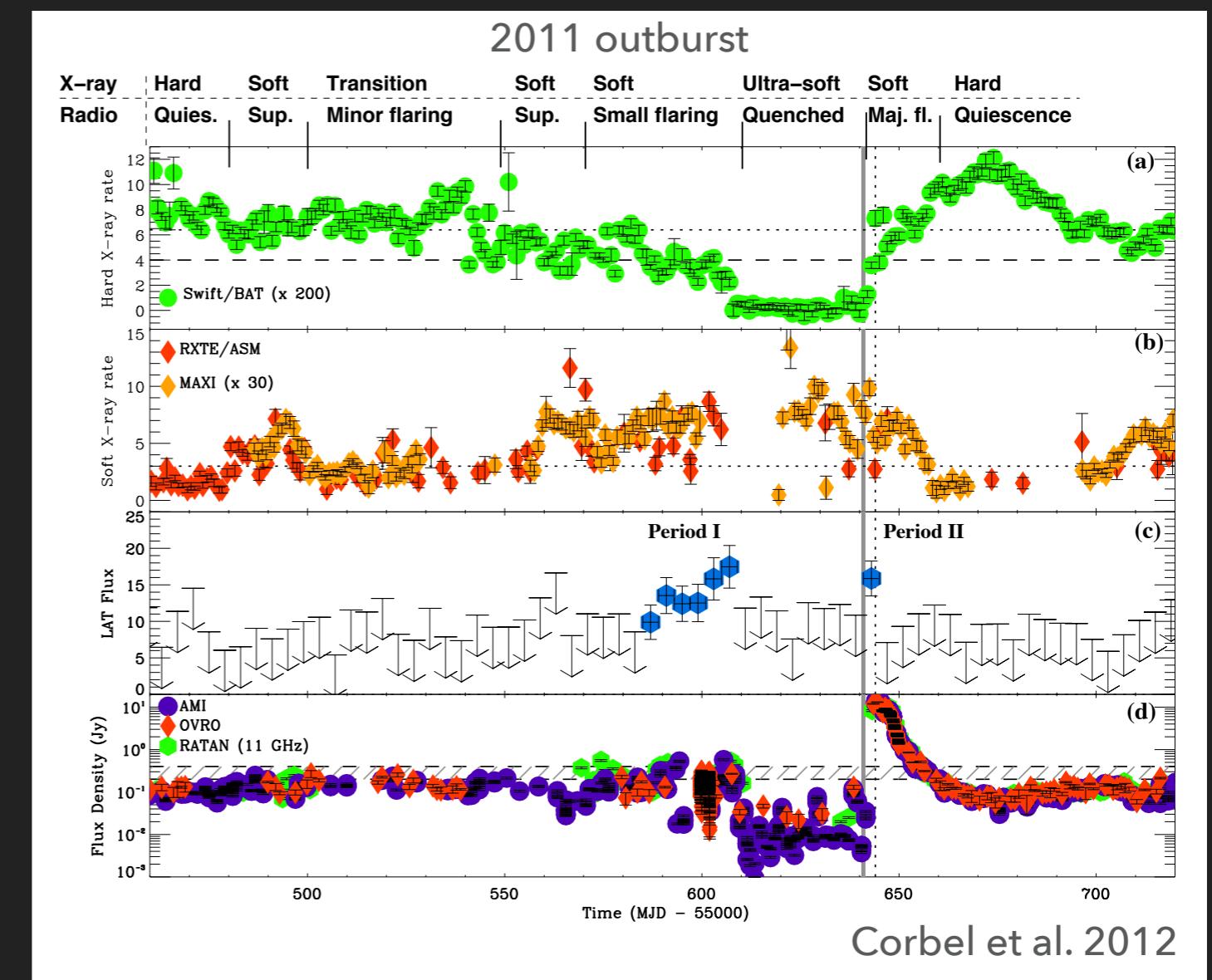
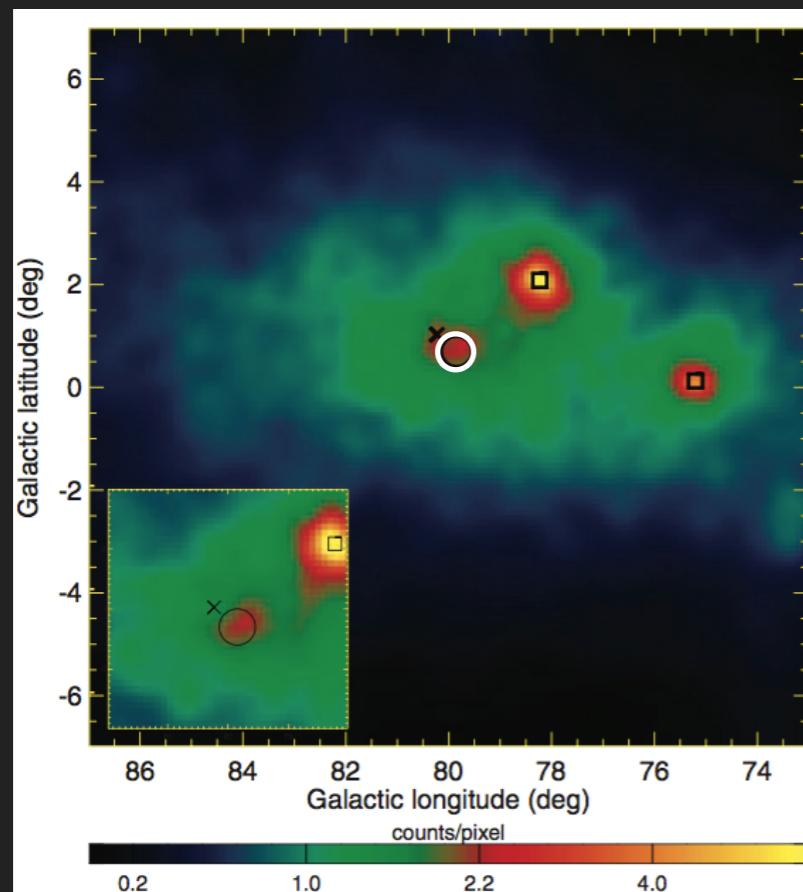
Fermi-LAT Collaboration

Microquasars at High-Energy Gamma-rays

- ▶ HE gamma-ray emission theoretically predicted from BH XRB
(e.g. Bosch-Ramon et al. 2006)
- ▶ HE emission linked to the presence of radio jet / accelerated particles
- ▶ If leptonic process, radio/gamma-rays: same electron population
 - ▶ Acceleration mechanism
 - ▶ Jet-environment interactions
 - ▶ Disk-jet coupling

Cygnus X-3

Fermi-LAT Collaboration et al. 2009

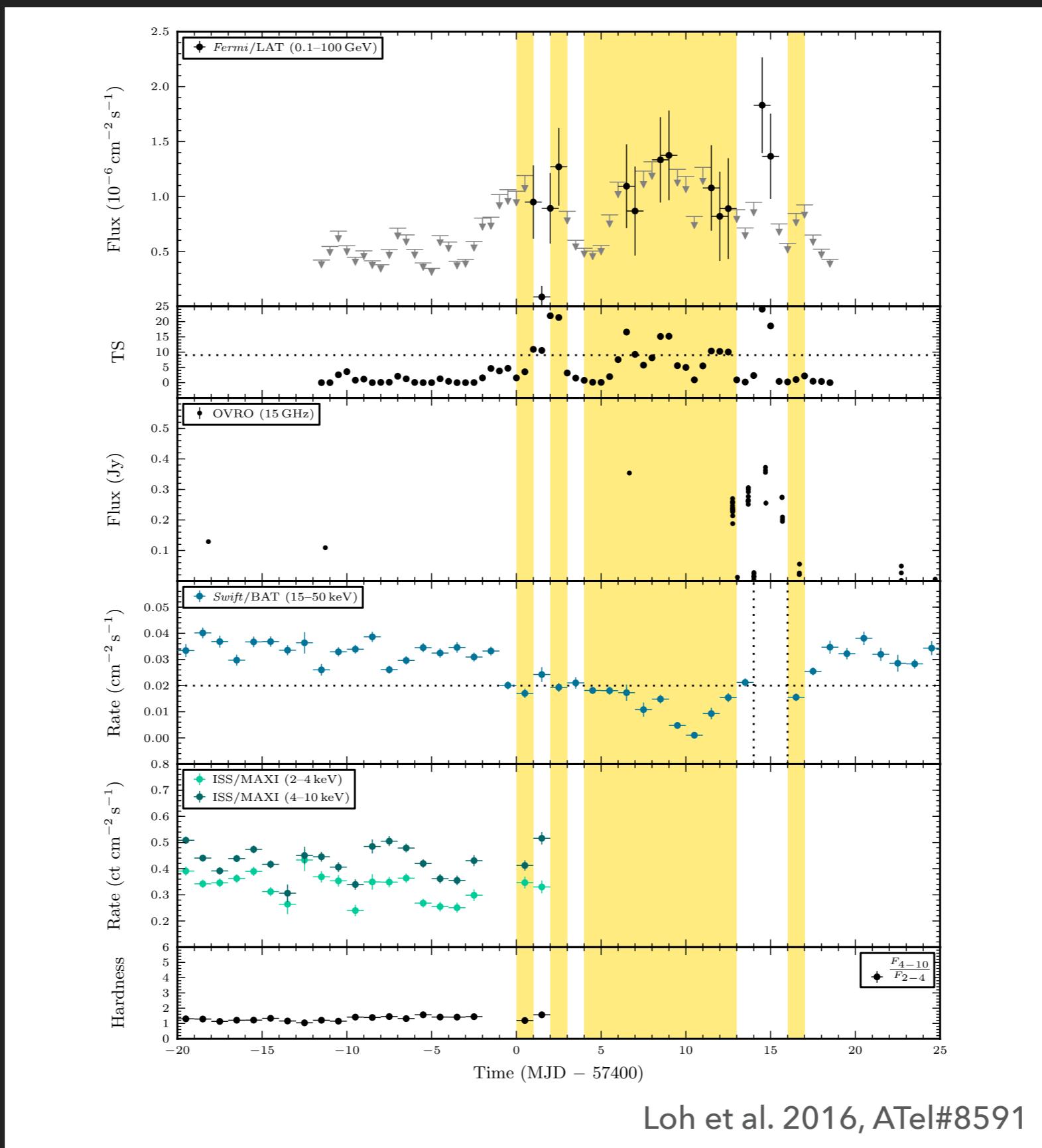


- ▶ Gamma-ray modulation (4.8h)
- ▶ Coincident with radio flares
- ▶ Soft X-ray state
- ▶ 'Sweet spot' of gamma-ray production (Cerutti et al. 2011): pair production vs seed photons

Fermi-LAT Collaboration et al. 2009; Tavani et al. 2009

Corbel et al. 2012

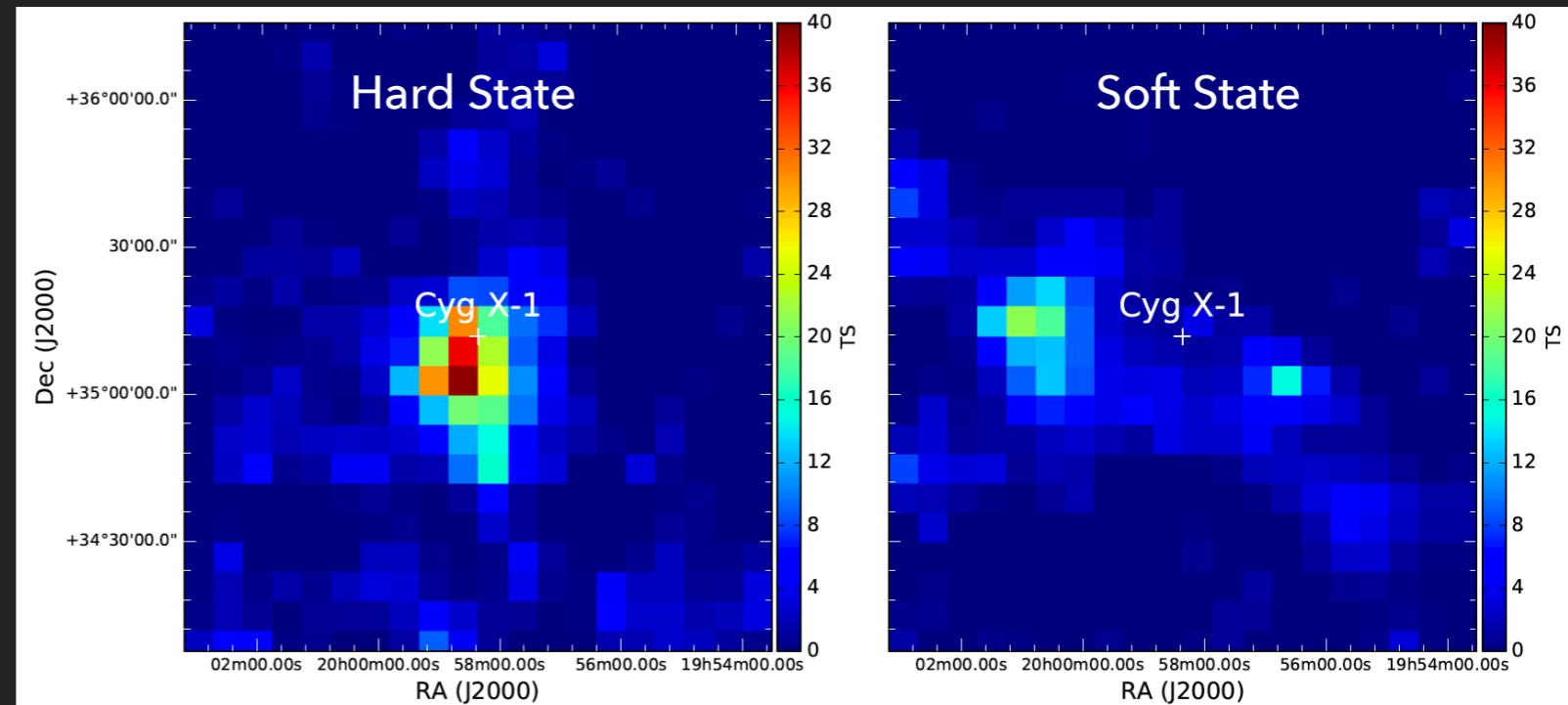
Cygnus X-3: e.g., January 2016



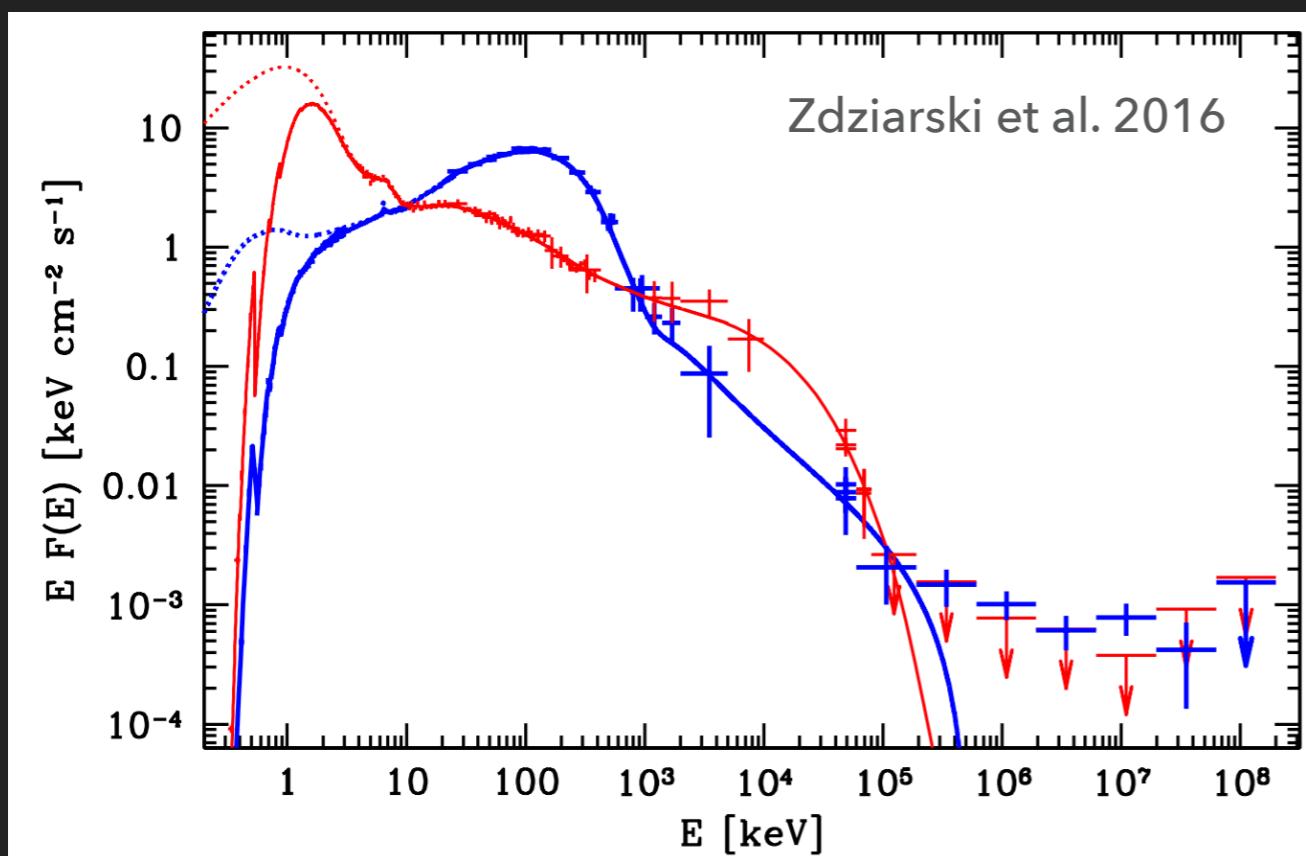
Loh et al. 2016, ATel#8591

Cygnus X-1

- ▶ Gamma-ray emission during the HS / IS
- ▶ Associated with steady jets



Zanin et al. 2016



- ▶ Hints of orbital flux variability

Malyshev et al. 2013; Bodaghee et al. 2013;
Sabatini et al. 2010, 2013

HMXBs vs LMXBs

- ▶ Cyg X-3 & Cyg X-1 detected at HE:
 - ▶ HMXB sources ($>10 M_{\odot}$ WR & $20 M_{\odot}$ companion stars)
 - ▶ IC process: jet e^- on companion star's photon field
- ▶ What about LMXBs ?
 - ▶ Weaker photon field from the companion star
- ▶ **V404 Cygni's outburst: unique opportunity to search for gamma-ray emission from a LMXB!**

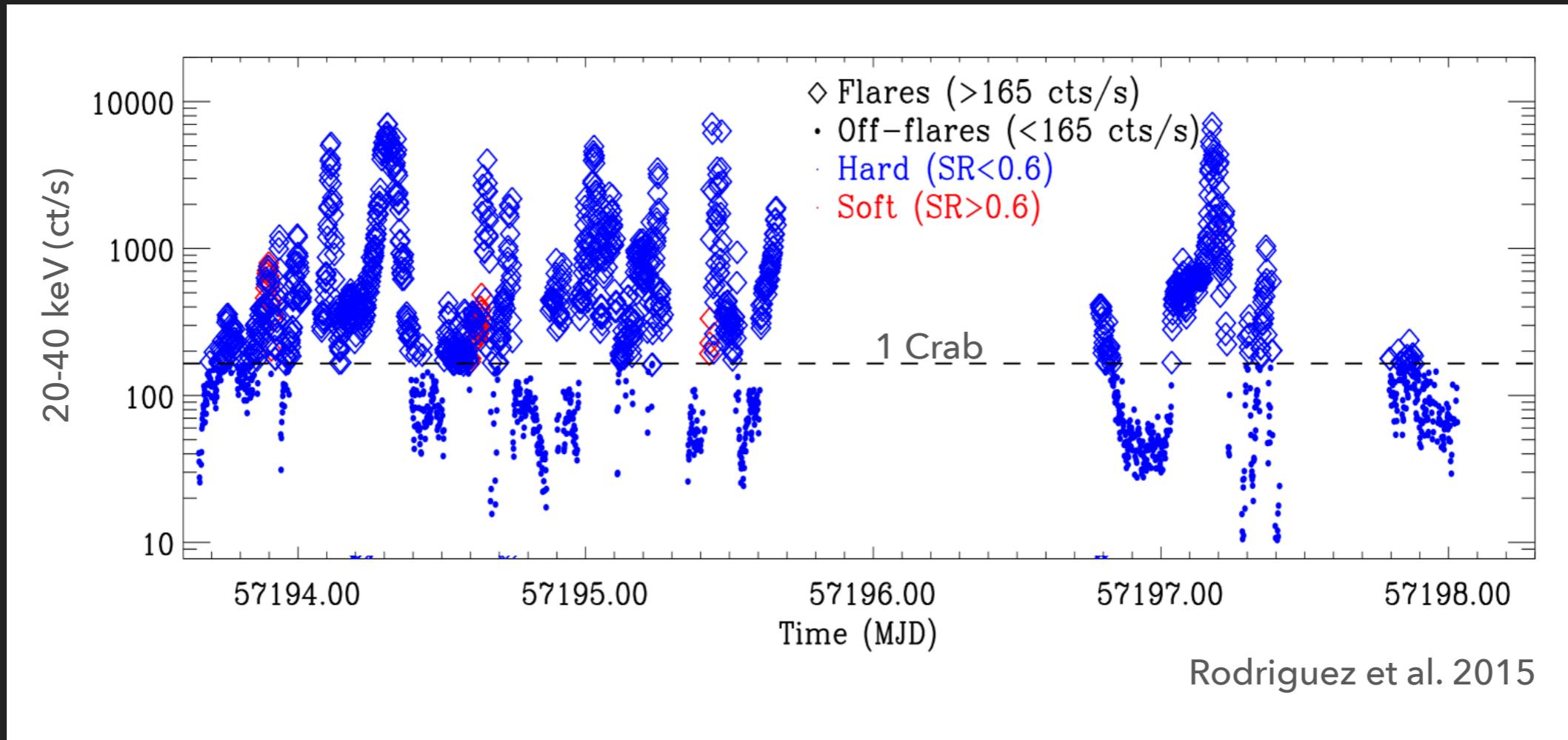
Low-Mass X-ray Binary: V404 Cygni

- ▶ ~9Mo Black Hole
- ▶ ~1Mo Companion star
- ▶ 6.5d Orbital period
- ▶ Parallax distance: 2.4 kpc
- ▶ Quiescence phase since 1989



Khargharia et al. 2010; Shahbaz et al. 1994; Wagner et al. 1992; Casares et al. 1992;
Miller-Jones et al. 2009; Makino 1989

Summer 2015 Outburst



- ▶ ...Monitored at all wavelengths, from radio to VHE gamma-rays

Barthelmy+2015; Younes+2015; Mooley+2015; Trushkin+2015; Sivakoff+2015; Kimura+2016; Bernardini+2016; Siegert+2016; Tanaka+2016; Gandhi+2016, Muñoz-Darias+2016; Heinz+2016; Jenke+2016; Radhika+2016; Beardmore+2016; Loh+2016; Shahbaz+2016; Huppenkothen+2017; Jourdain+2017; Rahoui+2017; Piano+2017; Walton+2017; Sanchez-Fernandez+2017; Motta+2017; Tetarenko+2017; Ahnen+2017; ... to cite just a few

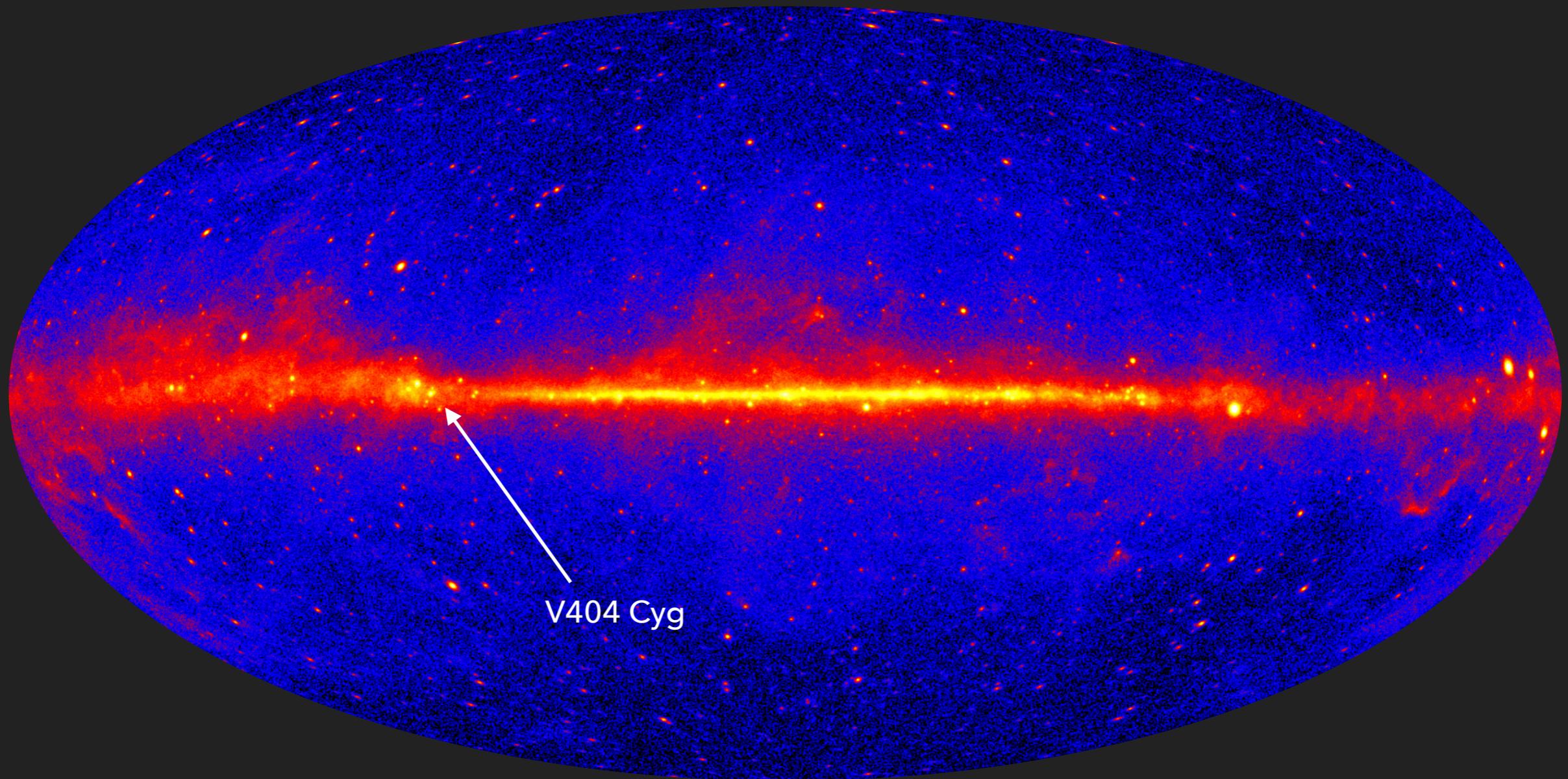
Fermi-LAT as High-Energy Transient Monitor

- ▶ Launched in 2008
- ▶ Two instruments:
 - ▶ Gamma-ray Burst Monitor (GBM, Meegan et al. 2009)
 - ▶ **Large Area Telescope (LAT, Atwood et al. 2009)**
 - ▶ 30 MeV–300 GeV → >100MeV
 - ▶ PSF: **5° @ 100 MeV;**
0.8° @ 1 GeV



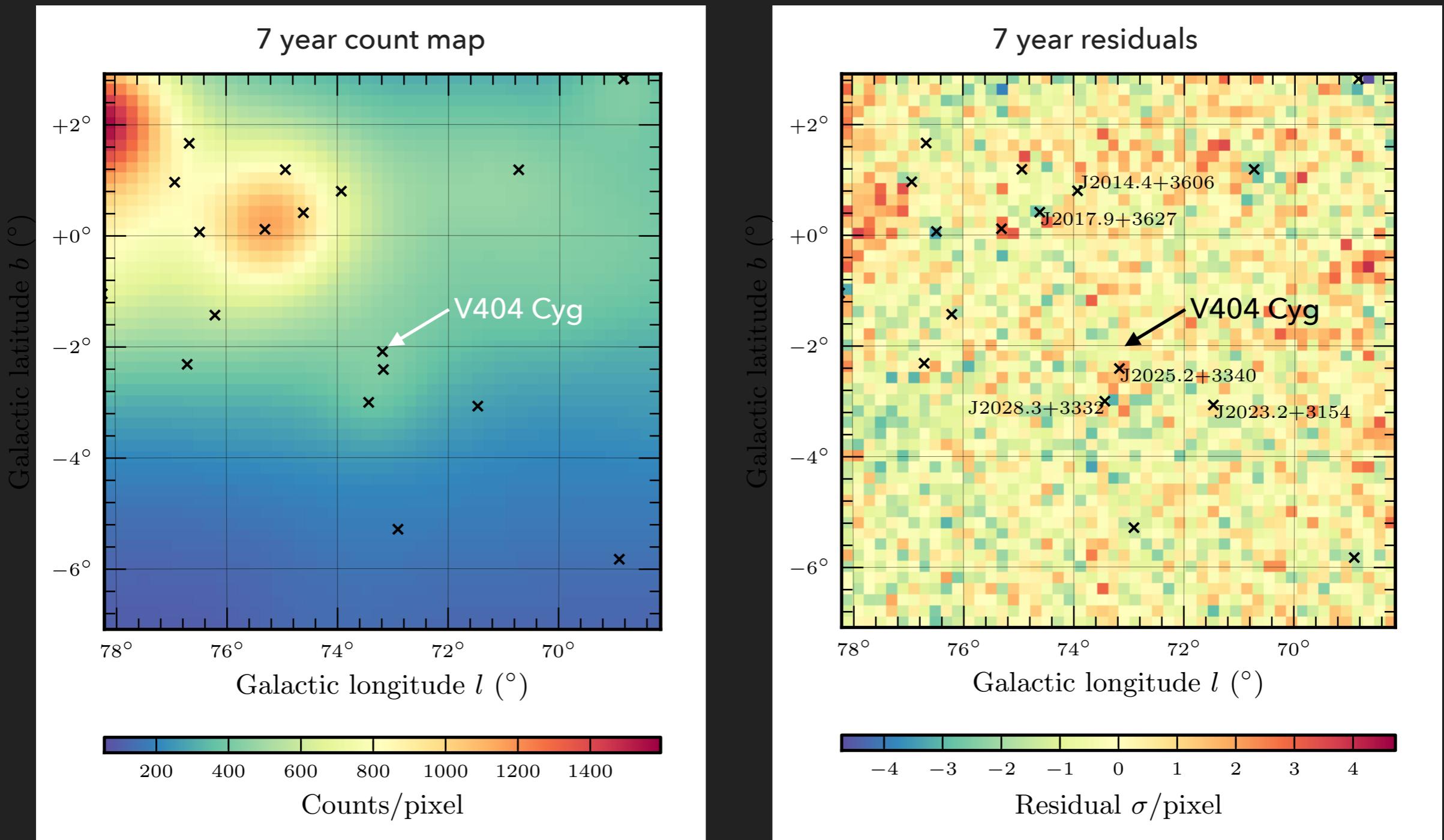
- ▶ Transient sources:
 - ▶ Large field of view: 2.4 sr / 20% of the sky
 - ▶ All-sky mapping every 3h

Gamma-ray Sky seen by Fermi-LAT



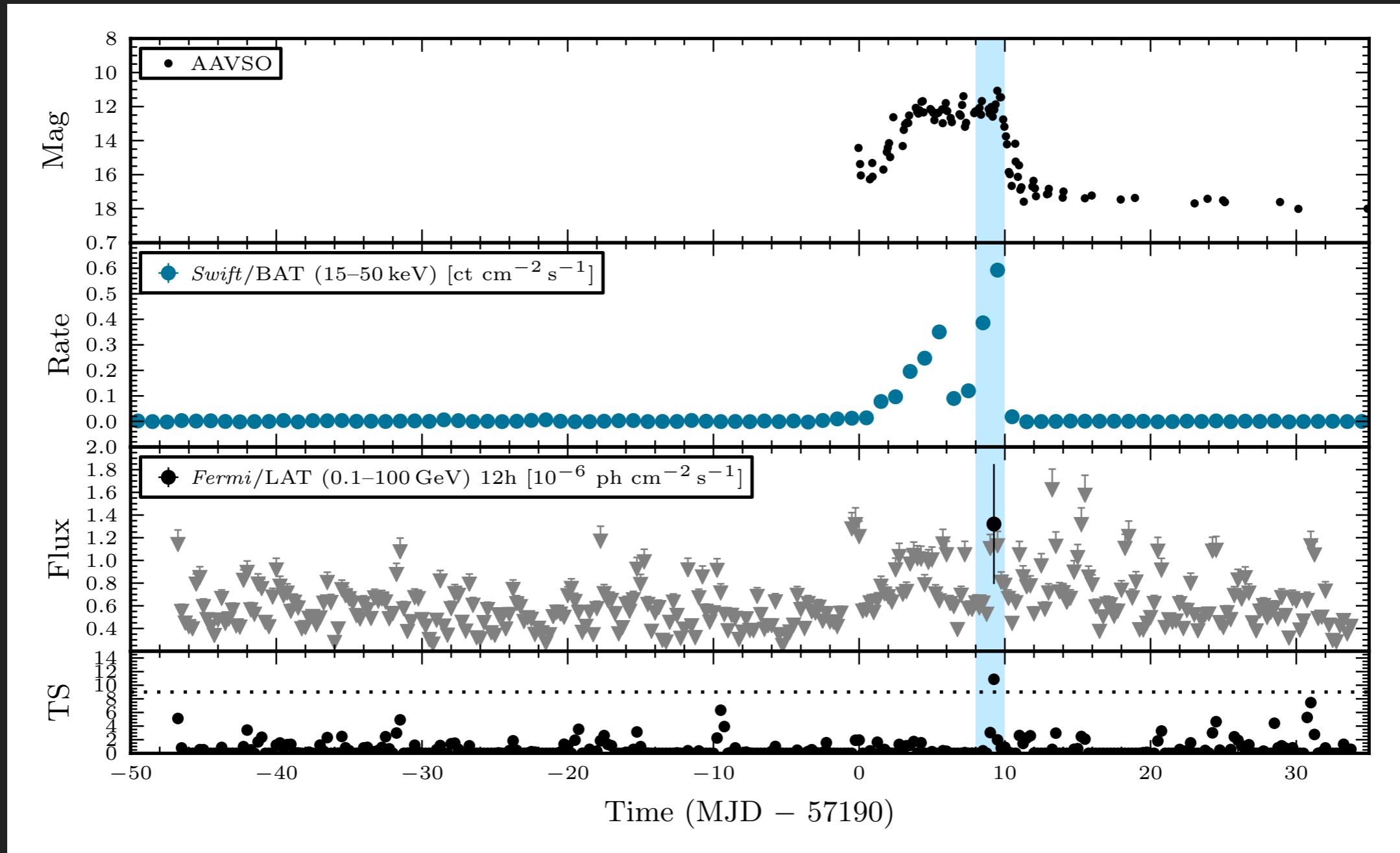
Fermi-LAT Collaboration, five-year map

Source Model built on 7 years of LAT data



- ▶ Spatial/spectral fit of known gamma-ray sources (Acero et al. 2015)
- ▶ Add a source model at the position of V404 Cyg

'Long-term' Monitoring of the June 2015 Outburst

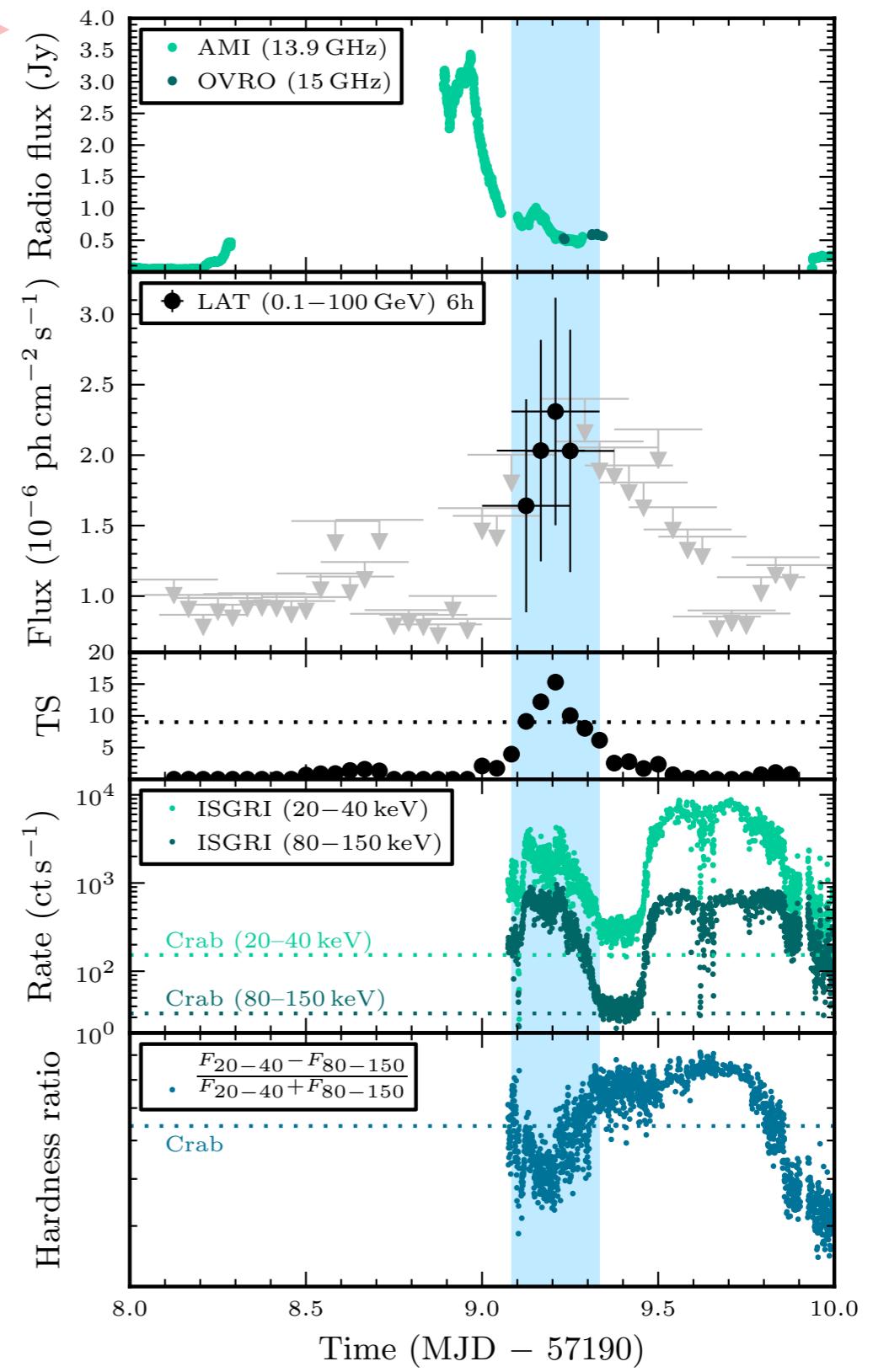
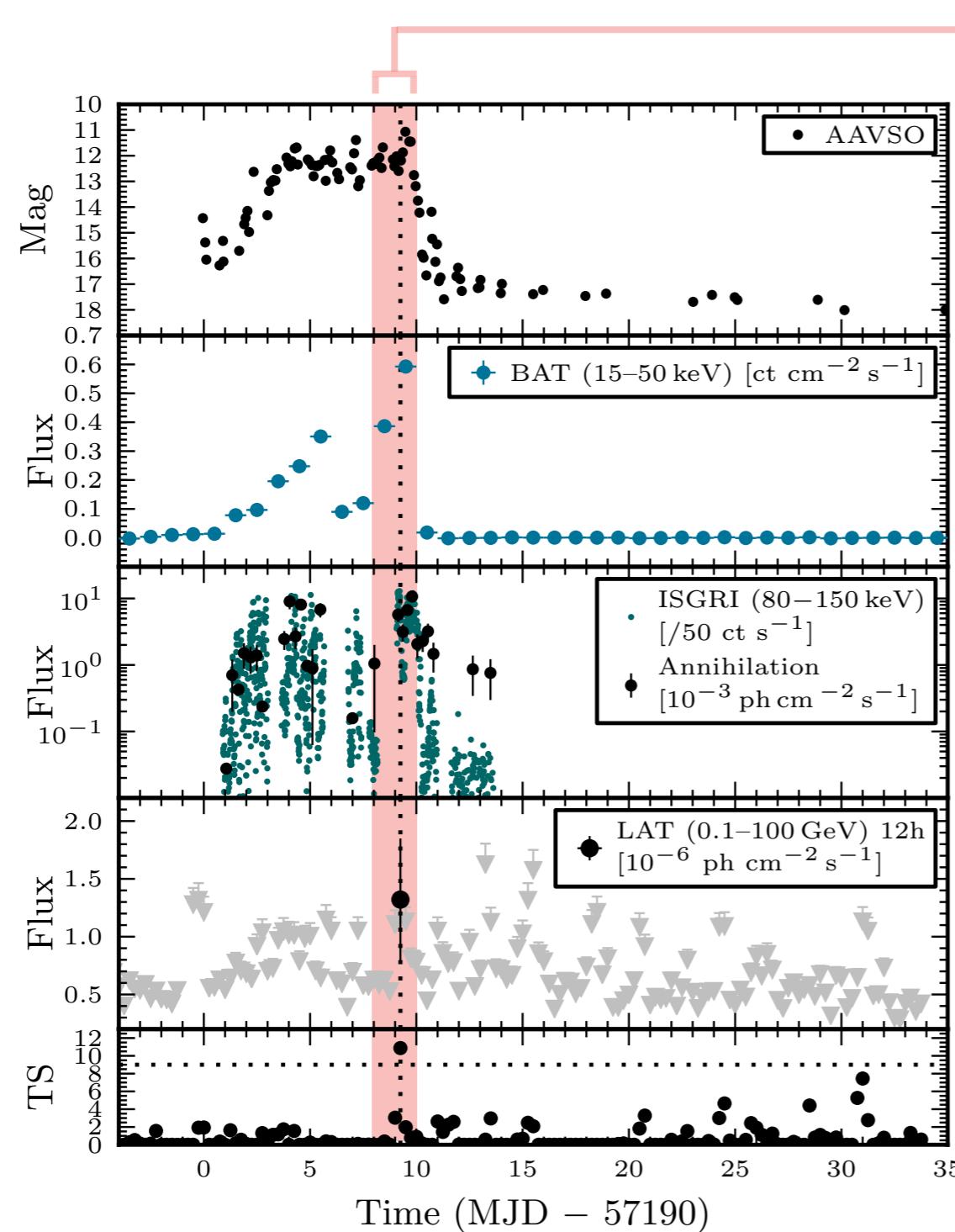


$$TS = 2 \ln (L_1/L_0) \sim \sigma^2$$

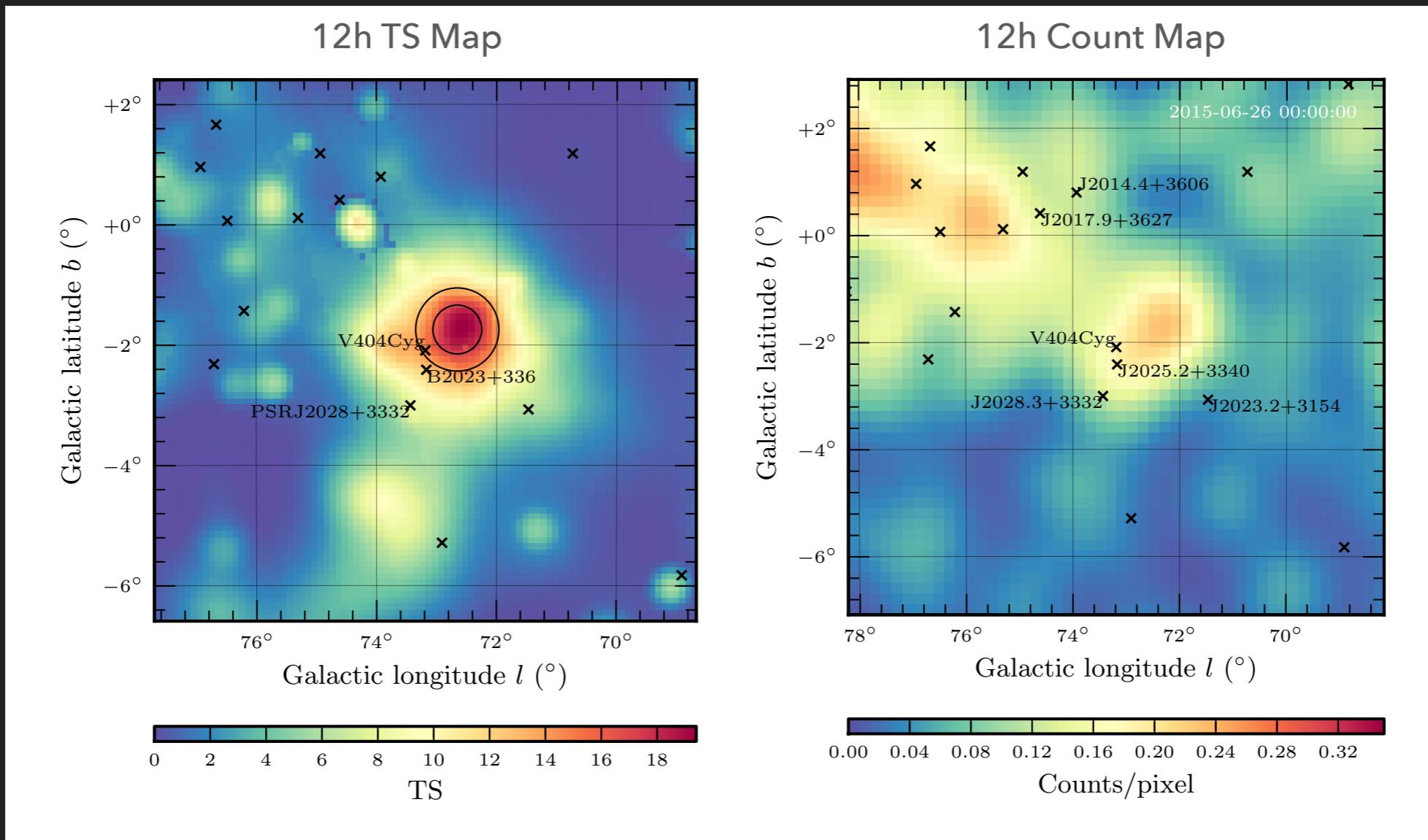
L_1 : Max likelihood **with** V404 Cyg

L_0 : Max likelihood **without** V404 Cyg

Zoom on the Gamma-ray Excess



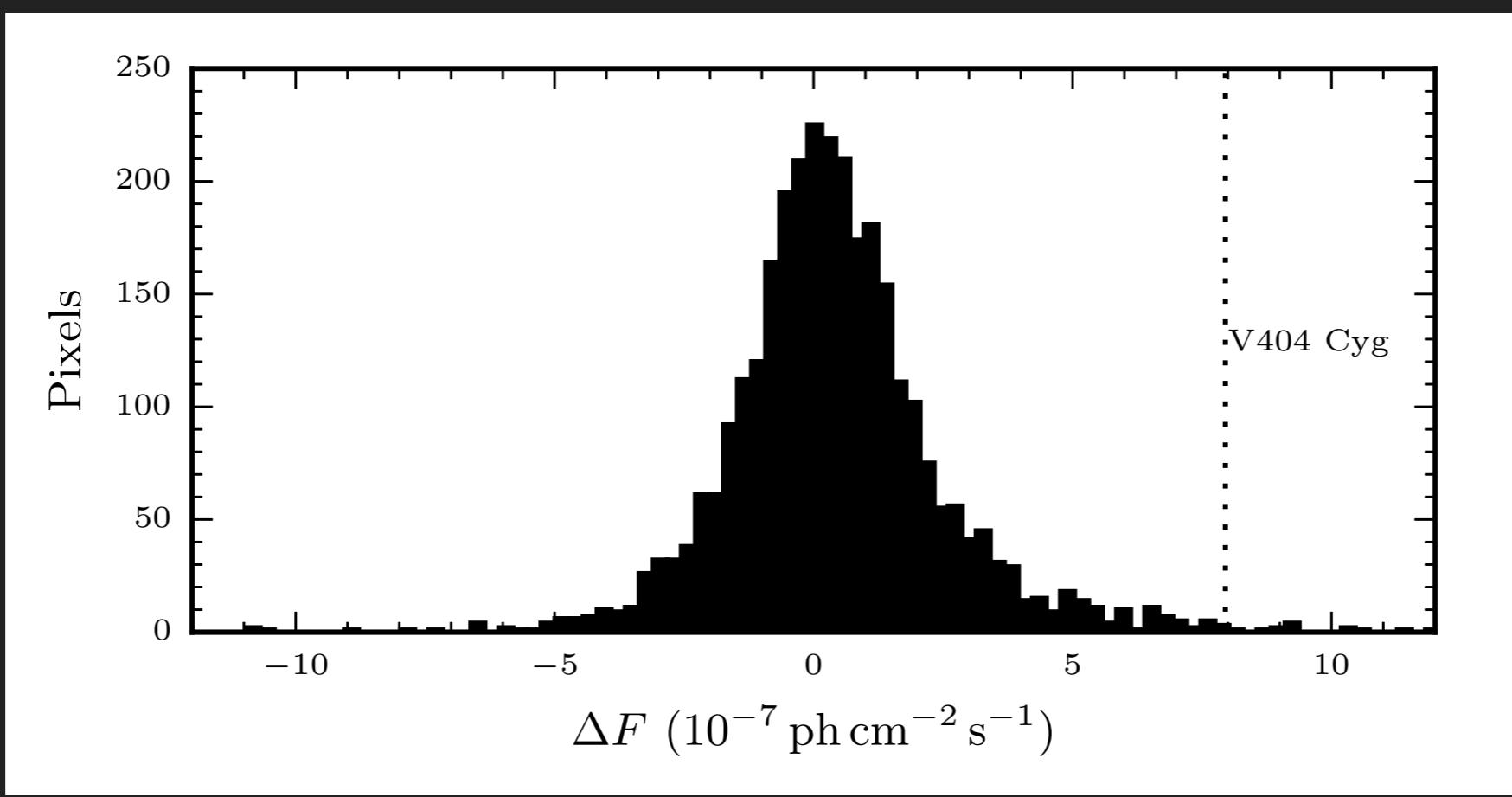
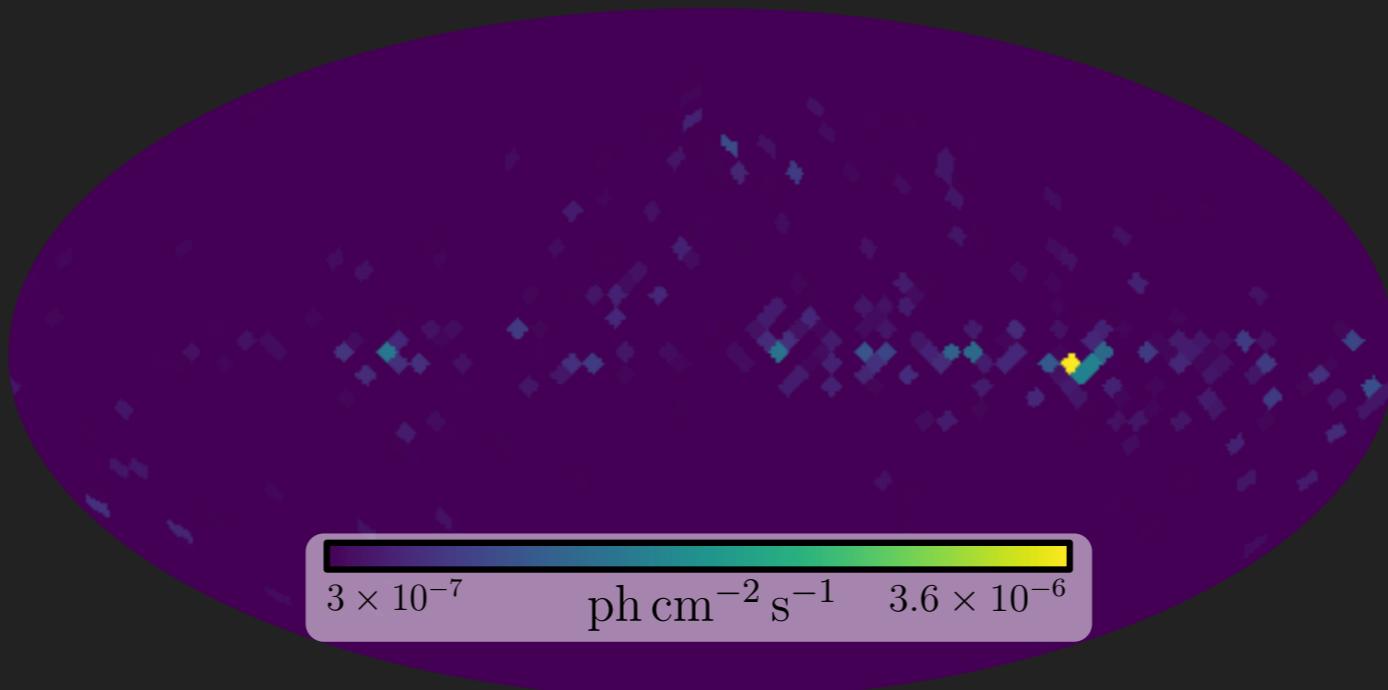
Gamma-ray excess properties



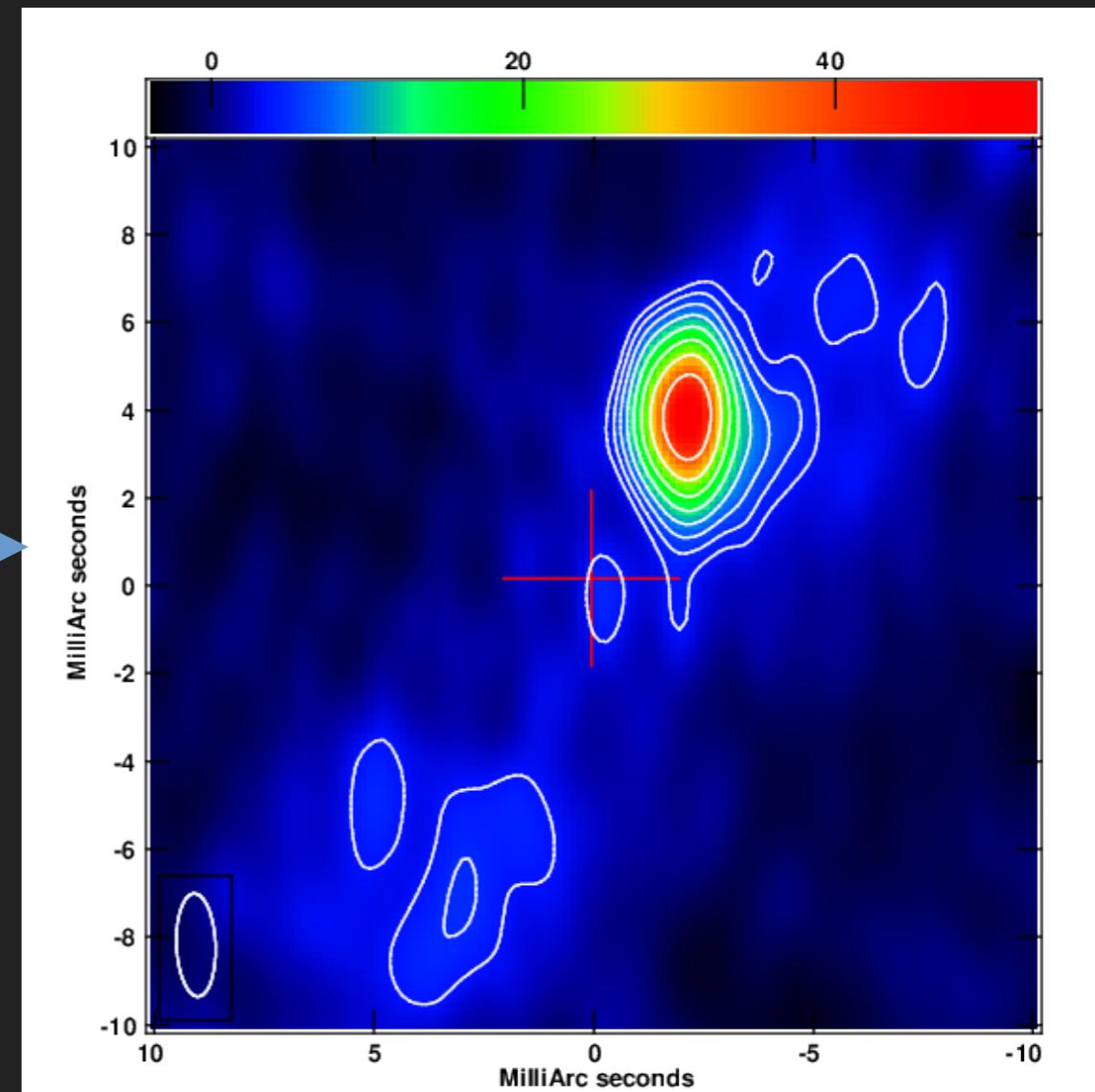
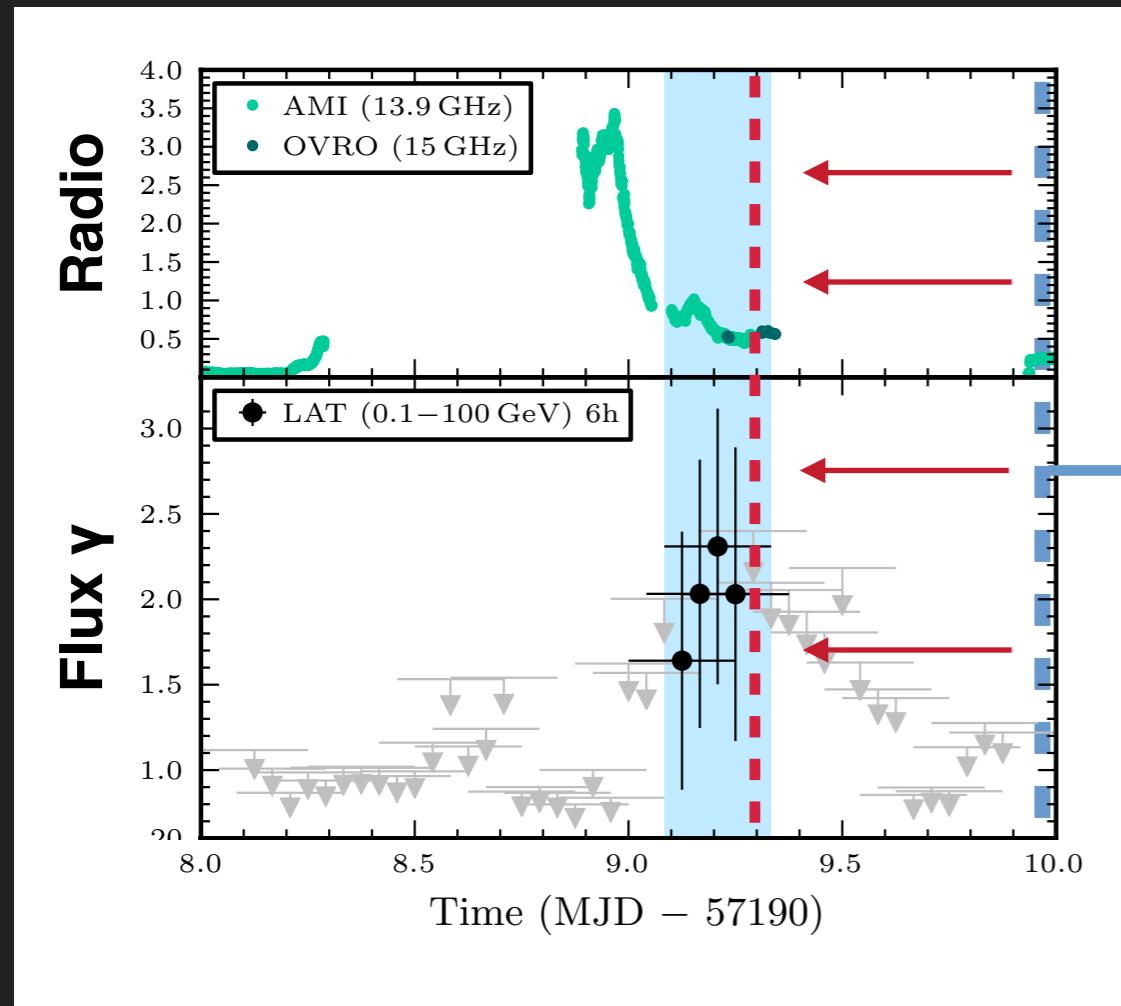
- ▶ MJD 57199.2 +/- 0.1 (June 26th)
- ▶ Soft spectrum (photon index $\sim -3.5 \pm 0.8$), $L_{\text{gamma}} \sim 2 \times 10^{35} \text{ erg/s}$
- ▶ V404 position within the 95% confidence region
- ▶ Peak significance $\sim 4.5\sigma$ ($\sim 4\sigma$ @ V404 Cyg position)

Statistical fluctuation?

- ▶ Detection bin flux - Mean flux



Gamma-ray emission coincident with Jet Launching Event



Credit: James Miller-Jones

- ▶ VLBA: many resolved ejecta between June 17th–27th
- ▶ Slowest ejecta ($\sim 0.05c$) + core switched off
- ▶ Constant ballistic ejecta motion fit \rightarrow launched around **MJD 57199.3** (g-rays: **MJD 57199.2+/-0.1**)

Gamma-ray emission coincident with Jet Launching Event

ULTRACAM / William Herschel Telescope

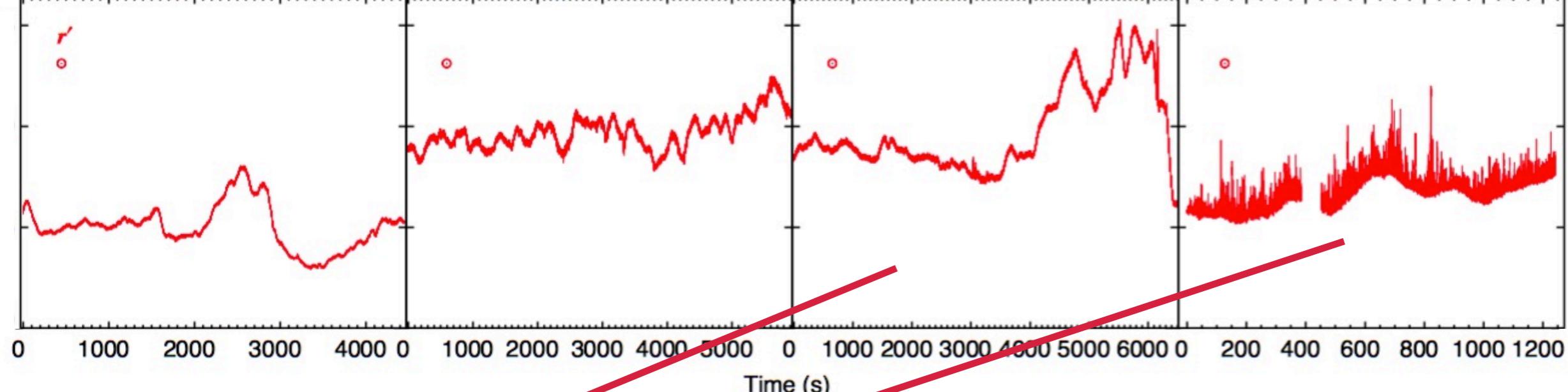
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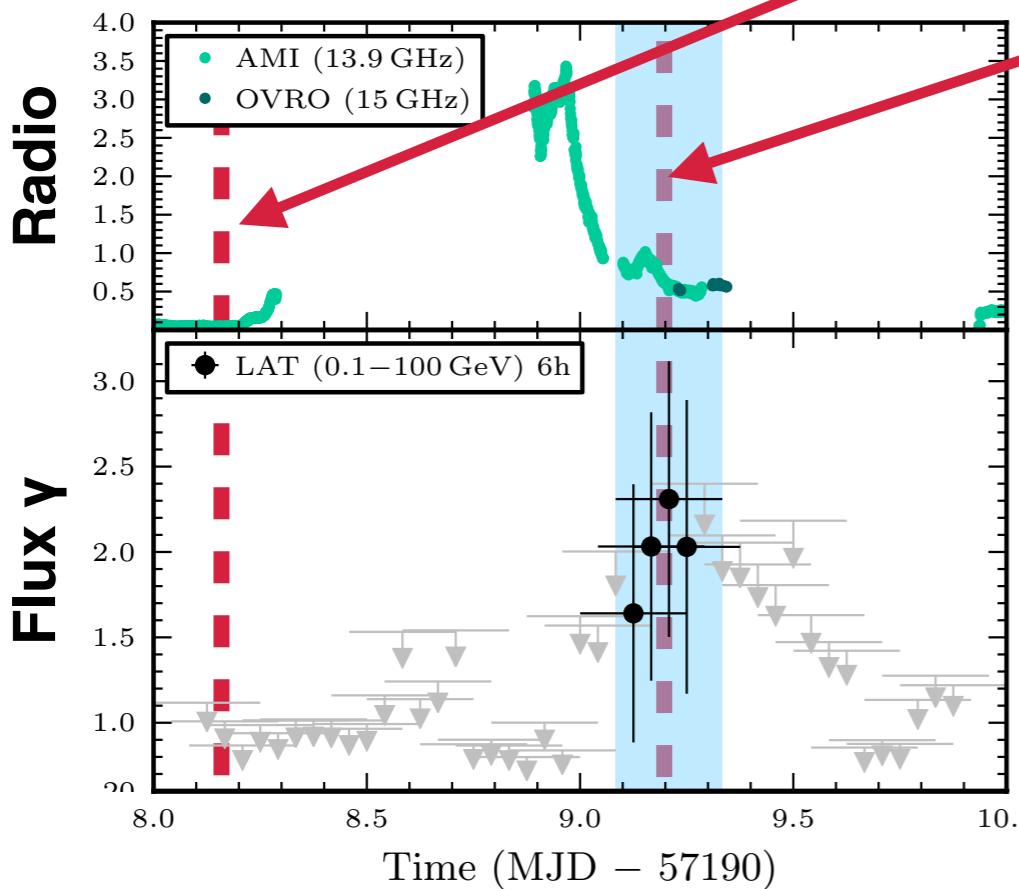
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Optical

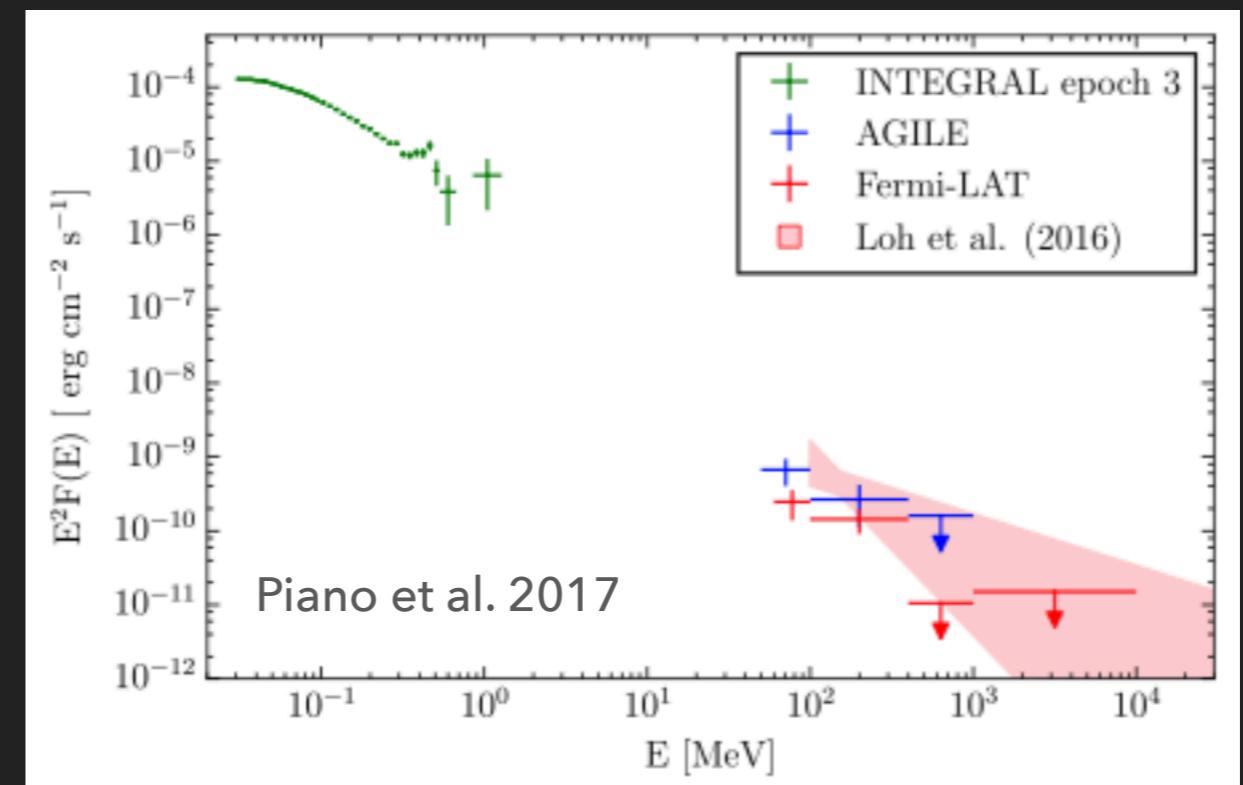
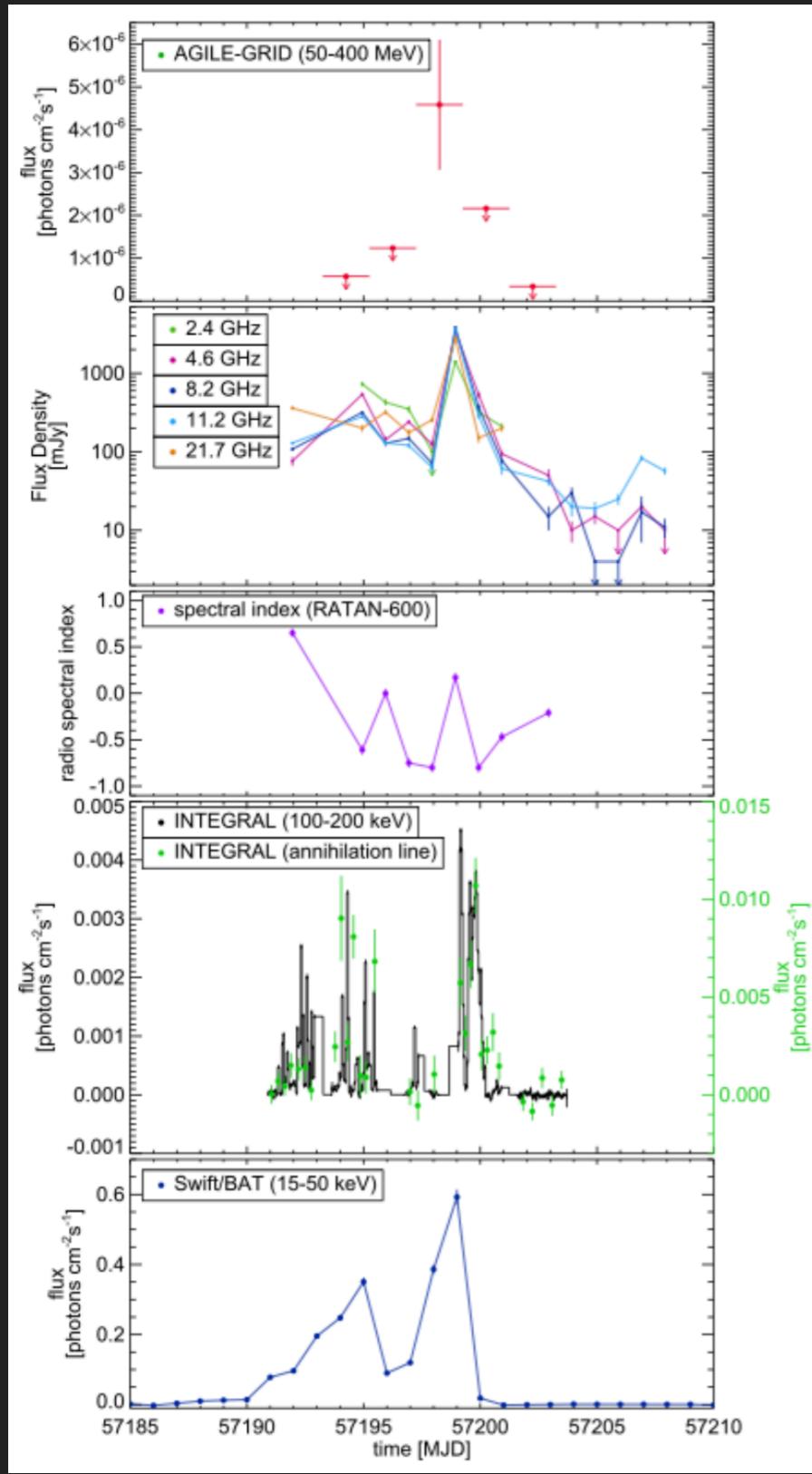


Gandhi et al. 2016

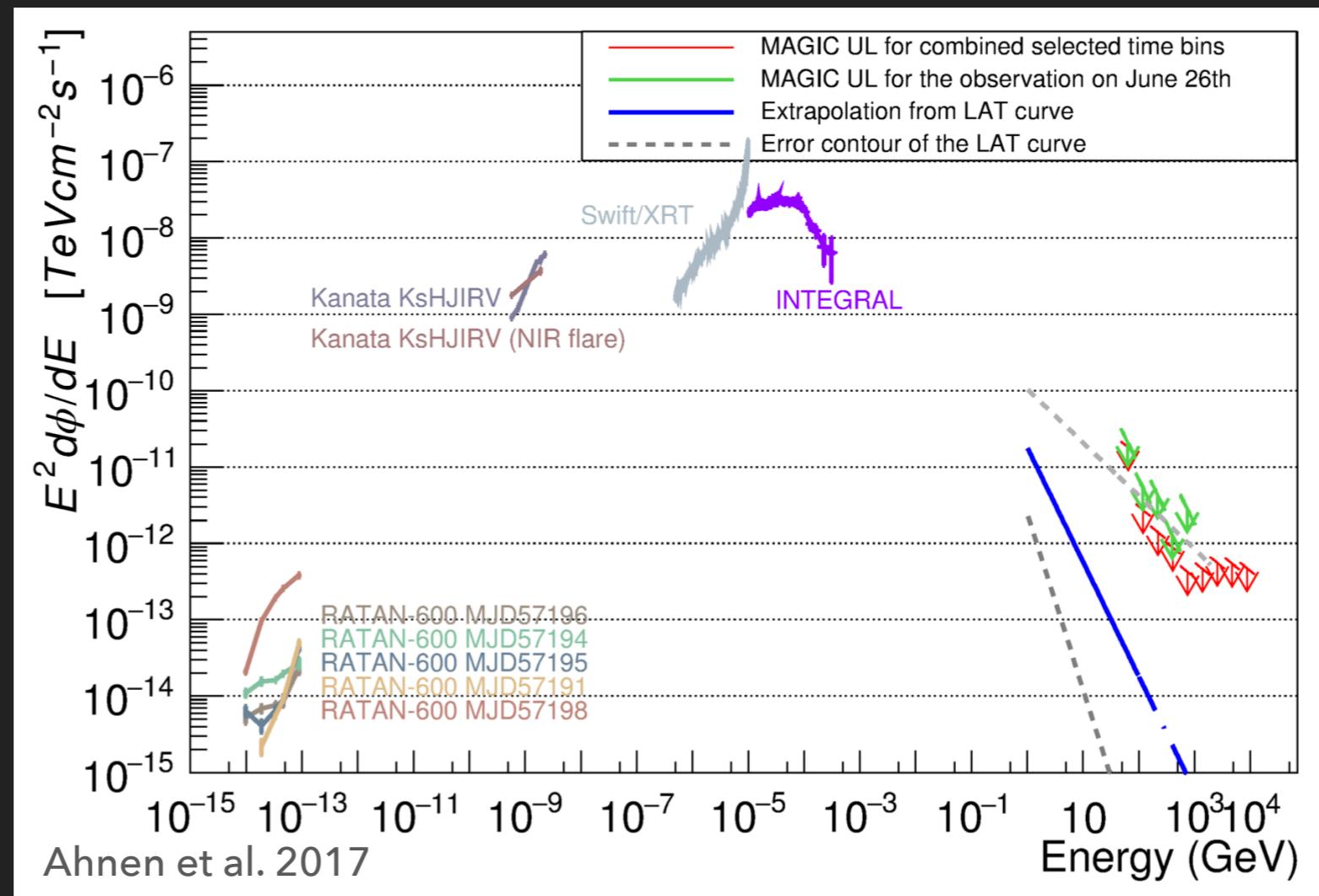


- ▶ Fast sub-second flaring
- ▶ Optically-thin synchrotron from a compact jet arising on size scales <500 Rg?
- ▶ Absorption/changing line of sight?

Confirmation by AGILE



VHE non-detection by MAGIC



- ▶ ~10h on-source (18-27 June 2015)
- ▶ 1h of simultaneous observation with LAT excess

Summary

- ▶ HE gamma-ray excess:
 - ▶ 4 σ significance level
 - ▶ Compatible with V404 Cyg position
 - ▶ Contemporaneous with brightest radio / hard X-ray emissions
 - ▶ Coincident with optical fast flaring / jet launching event
 - ▶ Confirmation by AGILE
 - ▶ → Detection of a LMXB at HE gamma-rays? (Loh et al. 2016, MNRAS)
- ▶ Detecting HE gamma-ray emission from microquasars:
 - ▶ Soft spectra, same process to produce hard X-rays and gamma-rays?
→ Need to observe < 100 MeV!
 - ▶ No HE gamma-ray facilities after Fermi and AGILE :-(
 - ▶ No detection with MAGIC → VHE with CTA?

Thanks