# Gamma-Rays and the ISM (Mopra, ATCA, ASKAP... and others)

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Image Credit: NRAO



# Gamma-ray spectra from local and escaped CRs



### Interstellar gas tracers & telescopes...

www.atnf.csiro.au/research/HI/sgps

HI (atomic H), OH, CS <u>Gas density</u> ~10<sup>1 to 4</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup> ATCA



ASKAP



CO, NH<sub>3</sub>, CS, SiO...

>10 <sup>3 to 4</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>

#### **Mopra Telescope**







# Missing Gas :"Dark" HI & H<sub>2</sub>

Inferred by MeV/GeV gamma-ray observations e.g. Greiner etal 2005, Ackermann etal 2011

Dark molecular gas has little/no CO, but carbon and OH present

*Perhaps one-third of the molecular gas is "dark"?!* Wolfire, Hollenbach & McKee, 2010

- $\rightarrow$  optically thick HI (Yasuo Fukui)
- $\rightarrow$  OH 1.6/1.7 GHz lines (Parkes, ASKAP)
- → CI, C+ ~THz lines (Nanten2, HEAT, STO2, SOFIA, STO2, DATE5, )



Graphic adapted from J. Dawson



#### CTA 50h Observation - CRs escaping accelerators Acero etal 2013



SNR age 2000 yr Cloud mass10<sup>5</sup> M d = 1 kpcD=10<sup>28</sup>(E/10GeV)<sup>0.5</sup> cm<sup>2</sup>/s PeV CRs escape first and arrive at the cloud first! Probe for CR PeVatrons But confusion guaranteed in Gal. Plane! Need wide ISM surveys  $\rightarrow$  Mopra, Nanten2, Nobeyma, ASKAP (S&N)

### CR Diffusion Into Molecular Clouds e.g. Gabici et al 2007, Inoue etal 2012 **R** = distance CR travels into molecular cloud core 10 TeV proton 1 TeV proton R ~ sqrt[6 D(E<sub>n</sub>, B) t] $D(E_P, B(r)) = \chi D_0 \left(\frac{E_P/\text{GeV}}{B/3\,\mu\text{G}}\right)^{0.5} \quad [\text{cm}^2\,\text{s}^{-1}],$ Crutcher 2010 $B \sim 10(n / 300 \text{ cm}^{-3})^{0.65} \mu\text{G}$ $\chi$ =diffusion suppression factor $\rightarrow$ Low energy CRs can't reach cloud core. $\rightarrow$ Harder TeV spectra from cores. $\rightarrow$ Depends on B-turbulence (e.g. Morlino & Gabici 2015) $\rightarrow$ **Don't expect electrons to penetrate!!** mol. cloud core (due to sync. losses)

 $\rightarrow$  Need to map dense cloud cores ~1 arcmin or better

### **Sub-GeV CR penetration into MCs – Ionisation rates**

Review by Gabici & Montmerle 2015



→ low E CRs less penetrating in denser clouds → synergies with ionisation rate tracers: HCO+/DCO+;  $H_3^+$ ; OH etc..

# Angular Resolution (HESS, CTA..)

#### Acharyara etal 2013



CTA MST-SCTs with small pixels and/or hi-res cuts  $\rightarrow$  resolve cloud cores!

# Hadronic Gamma-Rays from Clumpy ISM SNR RXJ1713

Inoue et al. 2012

Gabici & Aharonian 2014



Dense Cores filter out external electrons! e.g. RXJ1713.7-3946: Sano etal 2013

- CO(2-1) Nanten2 contours +X-ray images
   Synch cooling length < pc for</li>
  - 30 TeV electrons, 6 keV X-rays, n=10⁵/cc, B~400μG

Right Ascension (J2000)



VLSR: -20.2--9.1 km s<sup>-1</sup>

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Right Ascension (J2000)

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- 40<sup>0</sup>00'

**Declination** (J2000)

# H.E.S.S. RX J1713.7-3946

# HESS Collab. in prep 2016

Year Live-time Energy PSF (R<sub>68</sub>) γ's 2016 164h > 0.25 TeV 2.9 arcmin 31,000



https://www.mpi-hd.mpg.de/hfm/HESS/pages/home/som/2016/09/

The Mopra Galactic Plane CO Survey

The Formation of Molecular Clouds

http://www.phys.unsw.edu.au/mopraco/

~35" beam @ ~0.1 km/s resolution (also 70" CO survey Barnes etal 2015) CO(1-0),  $^{13}$ CO(1-0),  $C^{17}$ O(1-0),  $C^{18}$ O(1-0) I = 265 to 358; b = ±0.5deg mostly complete extension to ±1.0deg I=2 to 10deg (compare to Dame etal 2000 ~8arcmin beam)



Data cubes publicly available once processed I = 320 – 330 deg available now Complementary to Nanten2 CO surveys over wider area & Nobeyama CO survey (20" beam) in the north (Nishimura etal 2015)



http://www.physics.adelaide.edu.au/astrophysics/MopraGam/ <u>Main ISM Tracers</u> CS(1-0), SiO(1-0), CH<sub>3</sub>OH

#### <u>Targets</u>

Since 2012 observed over ~40 bright UnID TeV gamma and high energy sources (>1500 hrs)

 $\rightarrow$  Determine distance to cloud components (often difficult with CO)

- $\rightarrow$  Understand particle propagation
- $\rightarrow$  Disentangle hadronic/leptonic components
- $\rightarrow$  Some examples shown here (and see posters Maxted etal, Voisin etal)

Coverage is limited to discrete sources  $\rightarrow$  Systematic survey MALT45+

# MALT45 7mm Survey with ATCA > 5x more sensitive than Mopra

CS(1-0) peak pixel image with HOPS NH3(1,1) contours



#### CS(1-0) position/velocity $\rightarrow$ can see far side of galaxy in dense gas!



Proposal to extend to "Full Strength MALT 45" I = 300 to 360  $\rightarrow$  dense gas ISM survey legacy for CTA

#### (Jordan etal 2013, 2015)

#### MALT 45 CS(1-0) towards two TeV sources.

#### S. Pointon (MPhil thesis 2015)





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MALT45 data (Jordan etal 2015)

#### + Mopra CS(1-0) extension to south





ISM studies by Lau etal 2016 (HESSJ1640 ISM – Supan et al 2016)  $\rightarrow$  ISM density >200/cc towards TeV sources and 'bridge'  $\rightarrow$  Hadronic: CR density ~100 for HESSJ1641; >350 for HESSJ1640



#### What about this huge ISM cloud to Galactic west?



Why no TeV source at region '1' ?  $\rightarrow$  Cloud slightly in fore/background? Only need ±50 pc distance to reduce CR density (e.g. Aharonian & Atoyan 1996)



### CR diffusion – not necessarily Isotropic!

Malkov etal 2013 Nava & Gabici 2013

→ Nearby clouds will see different CR densities

→ Need detailed maps of ISM gas + B-field direction

# Planck map of B-field direction (dust polarisation)

http://www.esa.int/spaceinimages/Images/2015/02/Polarised\_emission\_from\_Milky\_Way\_dust



Note: In Gal. plane this is dominantly the *foreground B-field direction*. Next Step: ASKAP POSSUM (Faraday rotation measures in great detail)

# H-alpha: Looking for shocked gas around old SNRs

ISM study towards HESSJ1825 & HESSJ1826

Voisin etal 2016

TeV-bright pulsar powered nebula (J1825)

Northern TeV emission (J1826) overlap with dense ISM → cosmic-rays escaping SNR?



# Gamma Rays & ISM

 ISM gas is an essential ingredient in understanding gamma-ray sources

 $\rightarrow$  What accelerates the particles?  $\rightarrow$  What types of particles are accelerated?

Critical requirements of ISM surveys
→ (sub)arcmin CO surveys (Mopra, Nobeyama..)
→ wide CO coverage (Nanten2)
→ dense gas (Mopra, ATCA, ASKAP)
→ atomic gas (ASKAP)
→ dark gas (ASKAP, HEAT, DATE5...)

 → angular resolution perfectly matched with CTA (& hi-res deep HESS obs)
 → CTA needs these new ISM surveys..

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# Backup ....

# Dome A 5m THz Telescope (DATE5) Led by CAS, China



preliminary design of DATE5



Antenna	Cassegrain	
Diameter	5m, with rms accuracy <10μm	
Receiver	1x4 superconducting SIS & HEB mixer	
Band	350μm & 200μm	
IF BW	4GHz x 4 beams x 2 bands	
FOV	5'×5' ( 200μm )	
Pointing	≤2"	

#### CI, CO, HI towards G328 region (1x1 deg) (Burton et al 2013, 2015) CI (2-1) – HEAT 2' beam CO(1-0) – Mopra 30" beam HI – Parkes/ACTA 2' beam



3D pixel (voxel) analyis  $\rightarrow$  50% increase in CI / <sup>13</sup>CO ratio at cloud edges.

#### ASKAP - Australian Square Kilometre Array Pathfinder http://www.atnf.csiro.au/projects/askap





Phased array feeds (PAFs) *30-beams* > 5 deg FoV.

- All dishes built; All PAFs by 2016

Number of dishes	36
Dish Diameter (m)	12
Dish Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	113
Total Collecting Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	4072
Aperture Efficiency	0.8
System Temperature (K)	50
Field-of-view (deg <sup>2</sup> )	30
Frequency Range (MHz)	700-1800
Instantaneous Bandwith (MHz)	300
Maximum number of channels	16384
Maximum Baseline (km)	6

- Continuum survey, HI & OH lines, B-field strength & turbulenc, transients

→ Many key science projects



www.atnf.csiro.au/research/GASKAP/

Key HI/OH survey - 30 arc-sec resolution





Aims: Search for SNR pumped 1720 MHz lines (ie those without other OH transitions 1667, 1665, 1612 MHz)

Search for OH without CO – Parkes beam (12') too big  $\rightarrow$  ASKAP 30" beam





-50

VLSR (km/s)

0

50

-100

-1 └─ -150

Deil et al 2015

#### Latitude Distribution - HGPS Sources et al.



# Galactic Plane TeV Surveys : HESS $\rightarrow$ CTA



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Funk et al 2012
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 CTA will provide Galactic Plane TeV Gamma-ray maps on ~1-3 arc-min scales (~0.5 arc-min possible – high quality cuts)

- >3 sources per deg<sup>2</sup>  $|b| < 0.2^{\circ}$   $|l| < 30^{\circ}$  (Dubus etal 2013)
- Diffuse TeV components visible? from CR 'sea' – maybe local CR accelerator enhancements – yes

Confusion guaranteed (same as for Fermi-LAT at GeV energies!)

- Mapping the ISM on arc-min scales over the plane will be essential Mopra (CO, CS), Nanten2 (CO), ASKAP (HI, OH), THz (CI, C+)