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# KASCADE & KASCADE-Grande anisotropy upper limits



KASCADE: 200 m x 200 m, 10<sup>8</sup> events (data 1998-2002) 9 more years of data KASCADE-Grande: ~0.5 km<sup>2</sup> (data 2004-2007)

S. Over et al., 30 ICRC 4 (2007) 223



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# **TRACER: Energy spectra for individual elements**



P. Boyle et al., ICRC 2011

A. Obermeier ApJ in press, arXiv:1108.4838

# **TRACER:** propagation of cosmic rays

## Leaky-Box Propagation Parameters

► Continuity equation:

$$N_i(E) = rac{1}{\Lambda_{esc}(E)^{-1} + \Lambda_i^{-1}} imes \left( rac{Q_i(E)}{eta c 
ho} + \sum_{k>i} rac{N_k}{\lambda_{k 
ightarrow i}} 
ight)$$

► Source Spectrum:

$$Q_i(E) = n_i \cdot E^{-\alpha}$$

Spallation Path Length:

► Escape Path Length:

$$\Lambda_{esc}(E) = CE^{-\delta} + \Lambda_0$$
  $\Lambda_i = \frac{m}{\sigma(A)}$ 

Boron to Carbon ratio  

$$\frac{N_B}{N_C} = \frac{\lambda_{\rightarrow B}^{-1}}{\Lambda_{esc}(E)^{-1} + \Lambda_B^{-1}}$$

A. Obermeier et al., ICRC 2011

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# TRACER: propaga on of cosmic rais

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# **TRACER: propagation of cosmic rays**

![](_page_8_Figure_1.jpeg)

# **TRACER: propagation of cosmic rays**

# The Source Spectrum

- ► Fit to TRACER oxygen data.
- ►  $\delta = 0.64$ ,  $\Lambda_0 = 0.7$  g/cm<sup>2</sup>

![](_page_9_Figure_4.jpeg)

- Free parameter:  $\alpha$ .
- ► Source spectrum: power law.

### Result

- Source index: α = 2.37 ± 0.12.
- Agrees with previous results.
- Model predicts spectrum at Earth may not be a power law (Λ<sub>0</sub>).

Galprop:  $\alpha=2.34$ 

A. Obermeier et al., ICRC 2011

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![](_page_11_Figure_0.jpeg)

## Energy spectra of main elements in cosmic rays

**Particle Data Group** 

![](_page_12_Figure_0.jpeg)

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# **CREAM:** are CR spectra not single power laws?

![](_page_13_Figure_1.jpeg)

**E. Seo, ICRC 2011** 

# The light component spectrum

![](_page_14_Figure_1.jpeg)

Unfolding the energy spectrum by a Bayesian approach QGSJet II + FLUKA + EGS4 + GEANT3 --> 1-300 TeV

Mari S.M. et al. ICRC0220

# The all-particle energy spectrum

![](_page_15_Figure_1.jpeg)

M. Bertaina, ECRS (2010)

# A knee-like structure in the spectrum of the heavy component of cosmic rays

![](_page_16_Figure_1.jpeg)

# Spectrum and $X_{max}$ from Tunka133

![](_page_17_Figure_1.jpeg)

L.A. Kuzmichev [Tunka Coll.], icrc250

![](_page_17_Figure_3.jpeg)

V. Prosin [Tunka Coll.], icrc184

Tunka, ICRC (2011)

![](_page_18_Figure_0.jpeg)

**Electron energy spectrum** 

![](_page_19_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_20_Figure_0.jpeg)

# **Positron-to-Electron fraction**

![](_page_21_Figure_1.jpeg)

Mocchiutti et al., ICRC 2011

Vandenbroucke et al., ICRC 2011

# **Positron-to-Electron fraction**

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**Cosmic Ray Energy Spectra** 

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### P and He spectra in different scenarios

- All scenarios are tuned to the data, except the Reference scenario
- Scenarios L and H: the local source component is calculated by the subtraction of the propagated Galactic spectrum from the data
  - The local source is assumed to be close to us, so no propagation; only primary CR species

#### Moskalenko et al., ICRC 2011

![](_page_29_Figure_0.jpeg)

lines: **Poly Gonato** JRH, Astropart. Phys. 19 (2003) 193

![](_page_30_Figure_0.jpeg)

![](_page_31_Figure_0.jpeg)

overview on models: JRH, Astropart. Phys. 21 (2004) 241 JRH, Adv. Space Res. 41 (2008) 442

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