

A panchromatic view of relativistic jets in narrowline Seyfert 1 galaxies

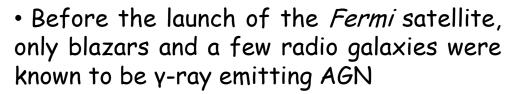
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Gamma-ray emitting NLSy1

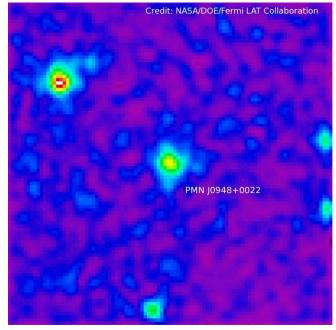


• *Fermi*-LAT first 4 years of operation (1FGL, 2FGL, 3FGL) confirmed that the known extragalactic γ -ray sky is dominated by blazars but...

...the first detection of a y-ray emitting narrow-line Seyfert 1 galaxy, PMN J0948+0022, during the first months of LAT observations was a great surprise!

Confirmation of the presence of relativistic jets also in NLSy1

NLSy1 are thought to be hosted in **spiral/disc galaxies**, the presence of a relativistic jet in some of these objects seems to be in contrast to the paradigm that the formation of relativistic jets could happen only in elliptical galaxies (e.g. Boettcher & Dermer 2002, Marscher 2010)

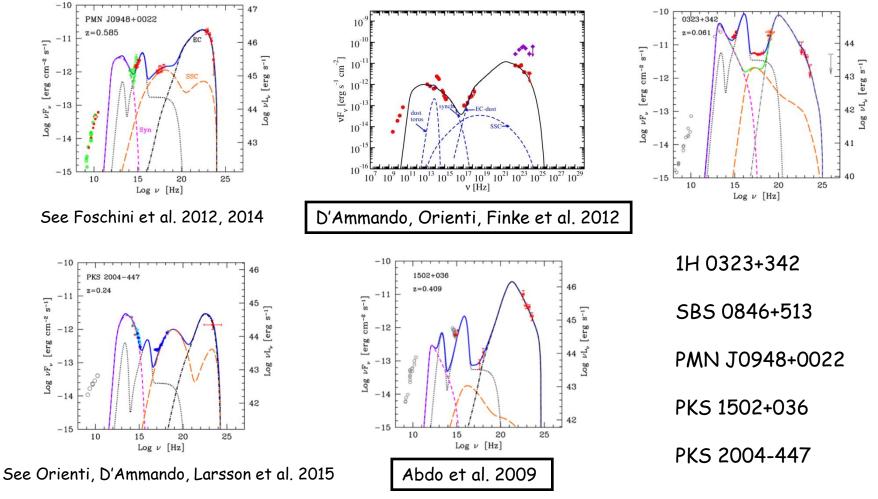


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5 NLSy1 were reported in the Third Fermi-LAT Source catalogue (Acero et al. 2015)



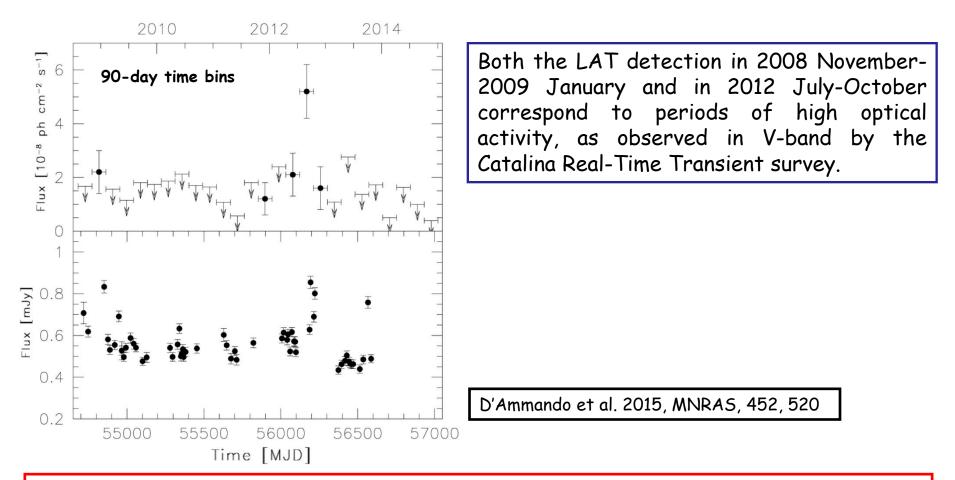
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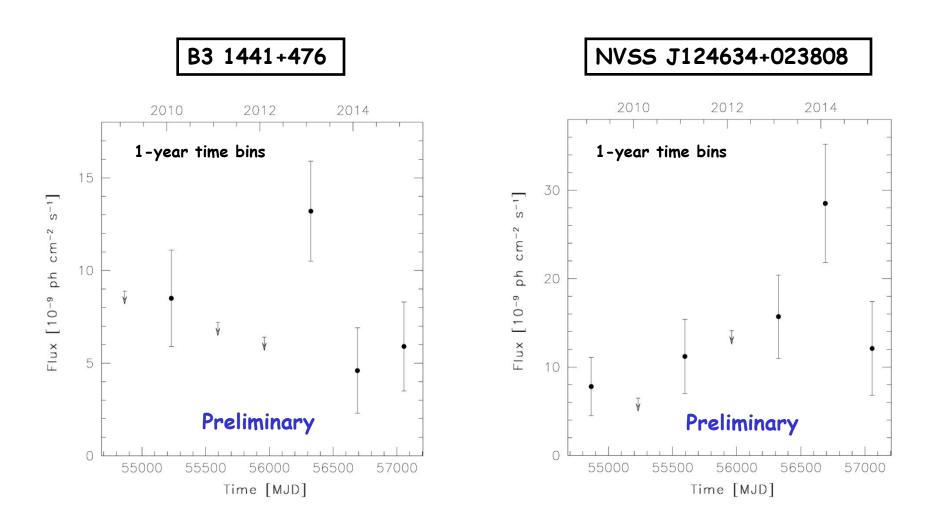
FBQS J1644+2619





In the 3FGL it is reported a source, 3FGL J1644.4+2632, 0.23° from the radio position of the NLSy1 FBQS J1644+2619. Analyzing 76 months of LAT data, FBQS J1644+2619 was detected with TS = 26.

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New LAT detections with Pass 8 data

See also Yao et al. (2015) about 4C +04.42, re-classified as a NLSy1 thanks to SDSS-BOSS

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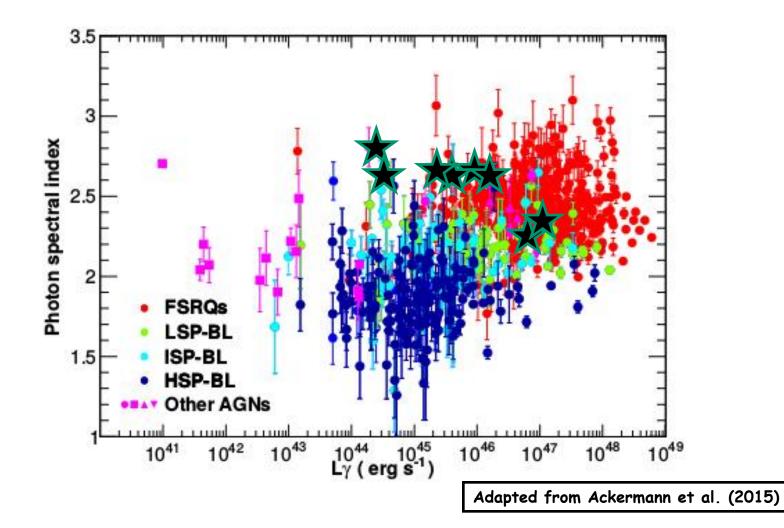
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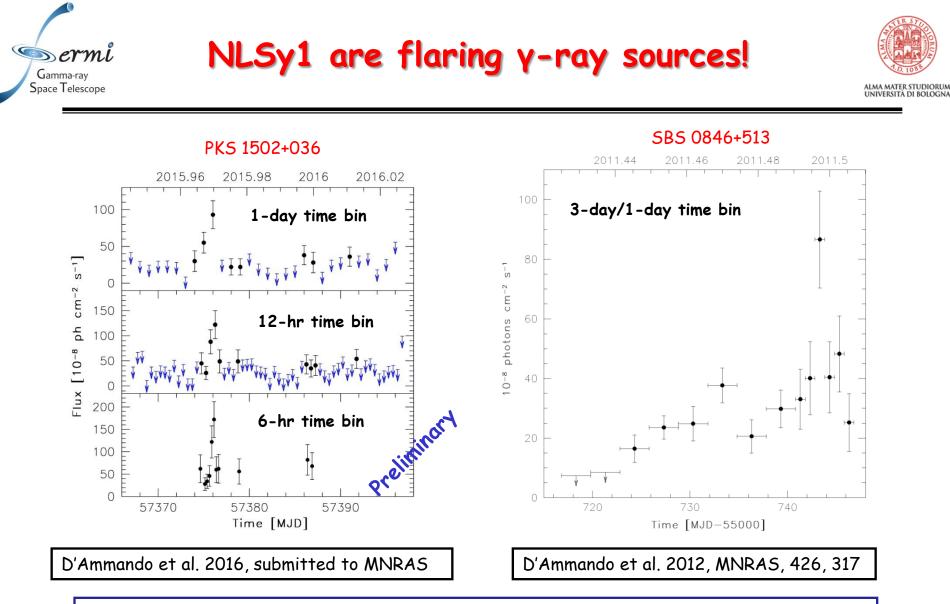
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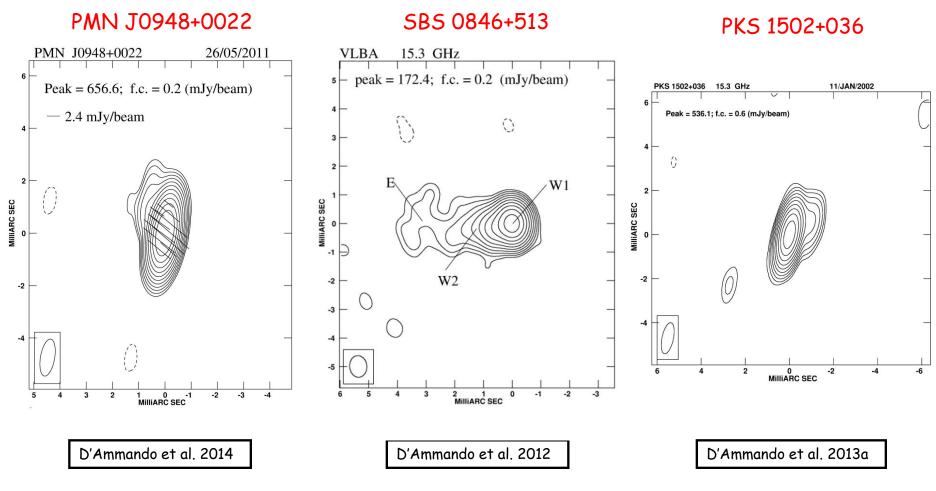


PKS 1502+036, SBS 0846+513, PMN J0948+0022, and 1H 0323+342 showed different flaring episodes with an apparent isotropic γ -ray luminosity of ~10⁴⁸ erg s⁻¹, comparable to that of the bright FSRQ.



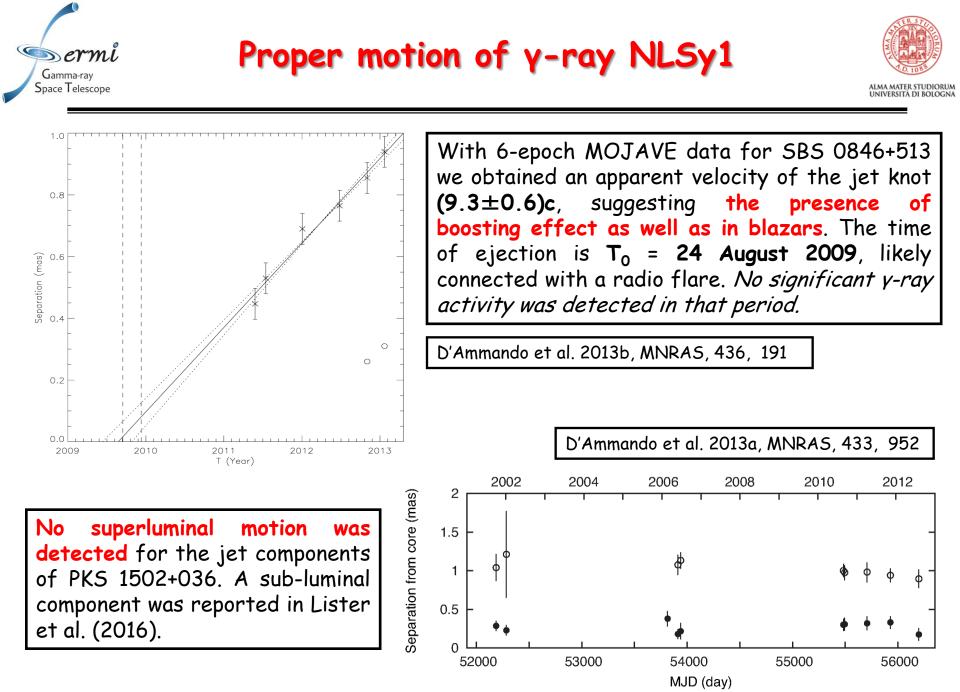


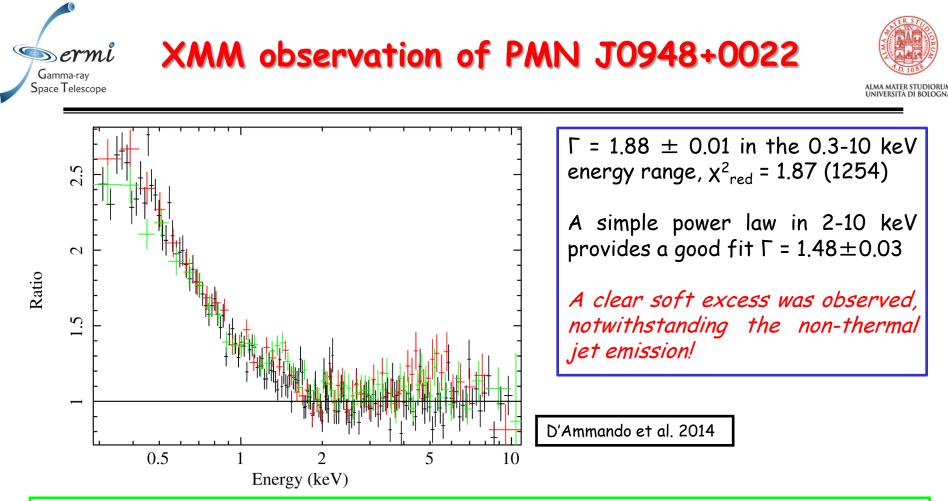
Core-jet structure on parsec scale resolved with the VLBA



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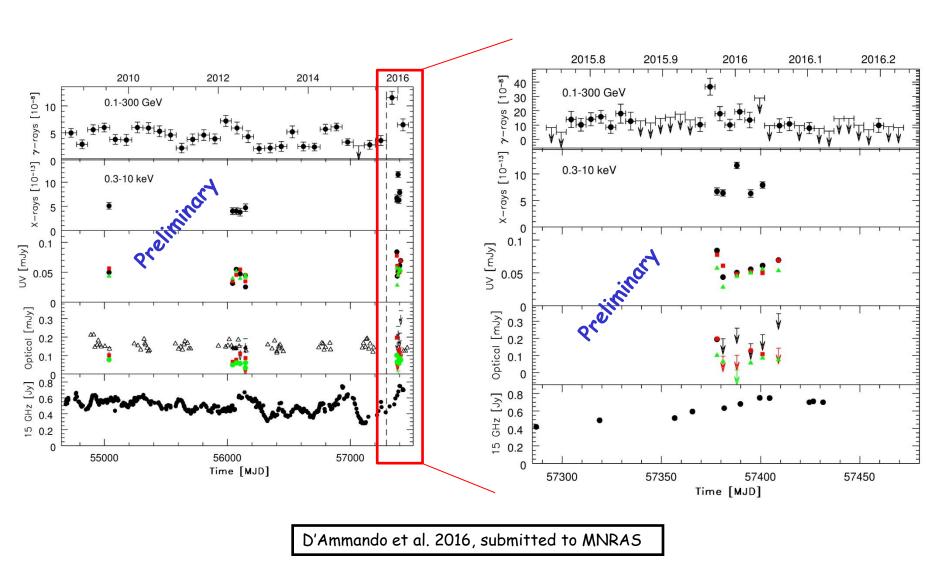
A broken power-law provides an acceptable fit, $\chi^2_{red} = 1.10$ (1252), with a break at energy $E_{break} = 1.72 \pm 0.10$ keV and photon indices $\Gamma_1 = 2.14 \pm 0.03$ and $\Gamma_2 = 1.48 \pm 0.04$. The emission above 2 keV is dominated by the jet component, with no detection of an Iron line in the spectrum and a 90% upper limit on the EW of 19 eV.

The soft component can be also fitted with a black body model with $kT \sim 0.18$ keV. Such a high temperature is inconsistent with the standard accretion disk theory.

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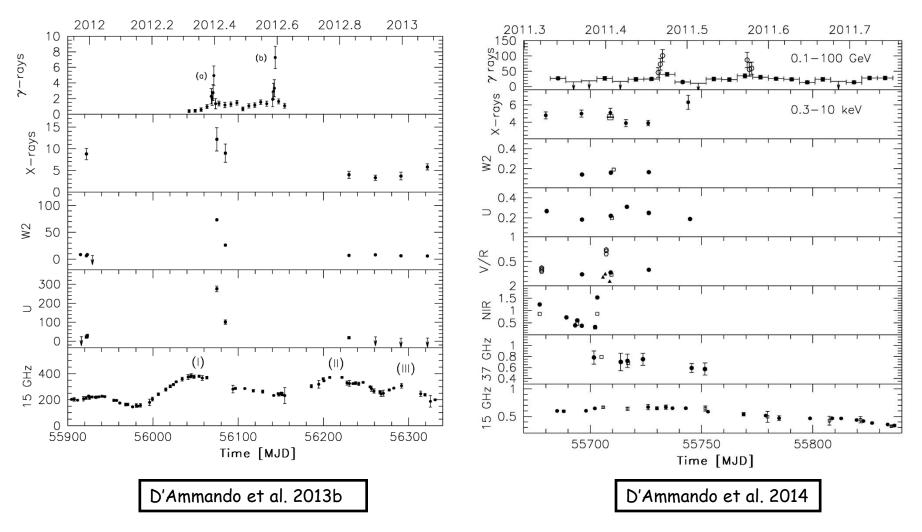
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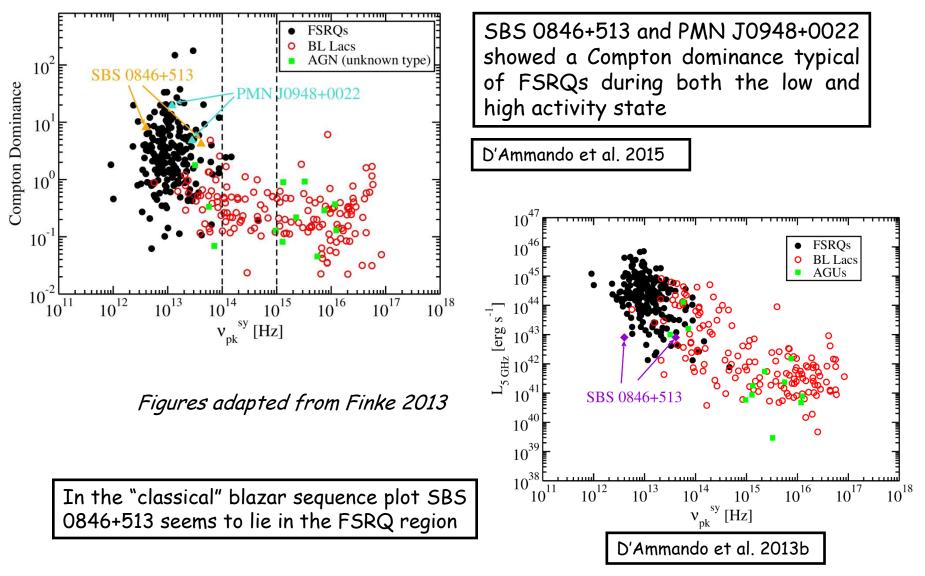
PMN J0948+0022





Comparison with y-ray blazars

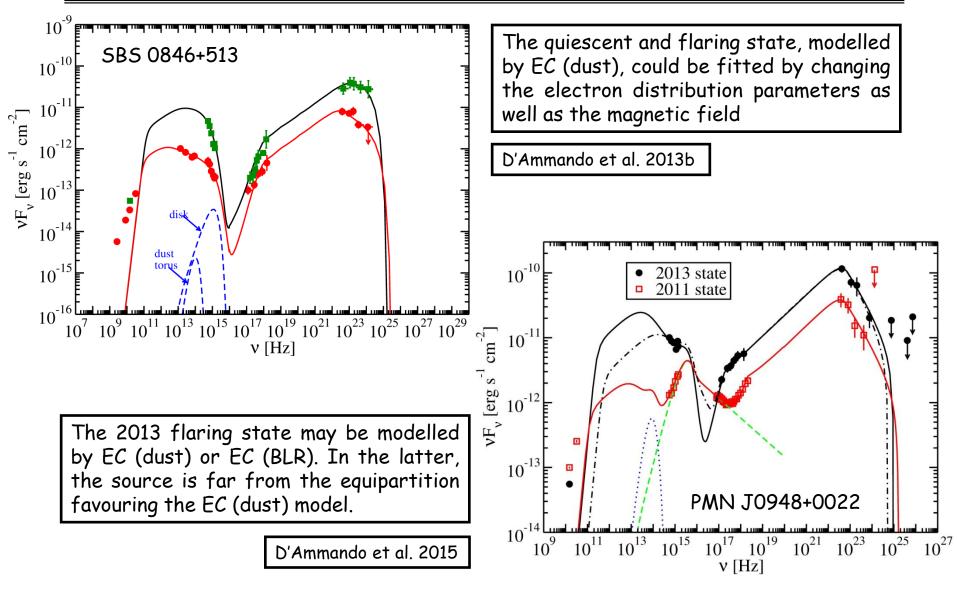






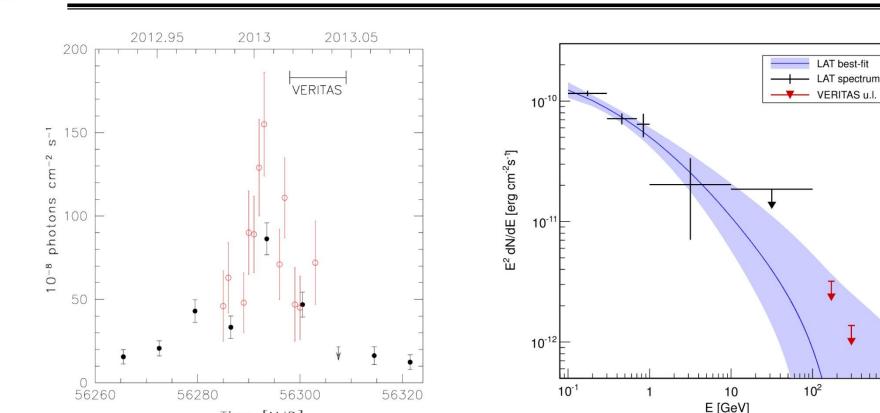
SED modelling of NLSy1





NLSy1 as VHE emitting sources?





Following the most powerful flaring activity from PMN J0948+0022, the detection of VHE emission from this NLSy1 was attempted by VERITAS. Future observations with the Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA) will constrain the level of γ -ray emission at 100 GeV or below.

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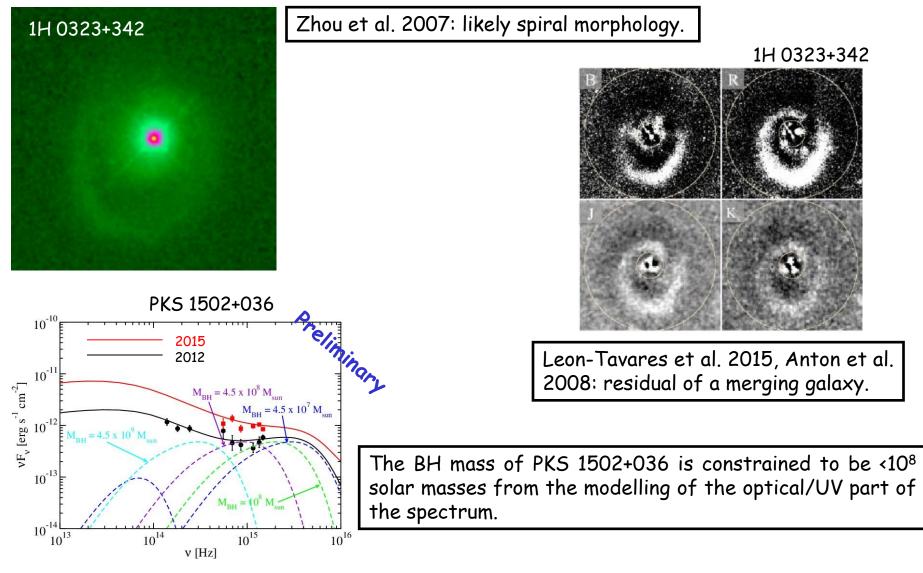
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BH mass and host galaxy of γ -ray NLSy1









• γ-ray emission from a few radio-loud NLSy1 was detected by *Fermi*-LAT, suggesting as NLSy1 are a new class of AGN with relativistic jet. Are these objects peculiar among the NLSy1?

• Radio-to-y-ray properties, broad-band spectral energy distribution, and high-energy emission mechanisms of the NLSy1 detected in y rays are similar to those of blazars, in particular to FSRQ.

• The discovery of relativistic jets in a class of AGN thought to be hosted by spiral galaxies was a great surprise but...BH masses of radio-loud NLSy1 are on average larger than those of the entire sample of NLSy1. This could be related to prolonged accretion episodes that can spin-up the BH leading to the relativistic jet formation. Only for a small fraction of NLSy1 the high accretion lasts sufficiently long to significantly spin-up the BH.

• These γ-ray NLSy1 may be relatively low mass version of the blazars, in which the relativistic jet formation was triggered by a major merger or the BH mass of these objects are 10⁸-10⁹ solar masses? In the latter case, how is it possible to have such a large BH mass in a spiral galaxy? Are γ-ray NLSy1 not in classical spiral galaxies?