

MODULATION EFFECTS POSED BY STRONG ATMOSPHERIC ELECTRIC FIELDS OF THE FLUXES OF SECONDARY COSMIC RAYS

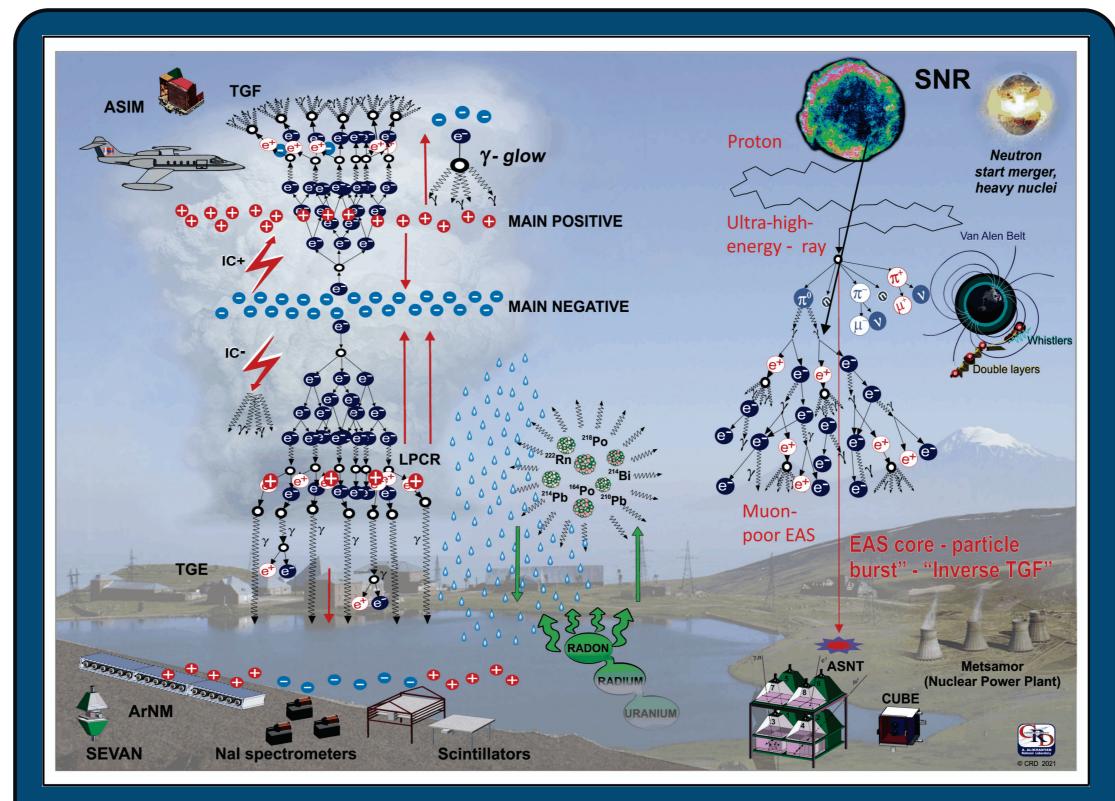
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SCIENCE GOALS **AND OBJECTIVES**

- Models of secondary cosmic ray modulation by strong atmospheric electric fields;
- · Vertical and horizontal profiles of the atmospheric electric fields;
- Charge structures in atmosphere supporting the emergence of TGEs;
- Origination of particle bursts measured on the earth's surface;
- Lightning flashes of different energies and types and TLEs and their relation to TGEs;
- Muon stopping effect;
- Influence of electric fields on EASs: ACTs (MAGIC, HESS, CTA) and high-altitude large particle arrays (HAWC LHASSO).



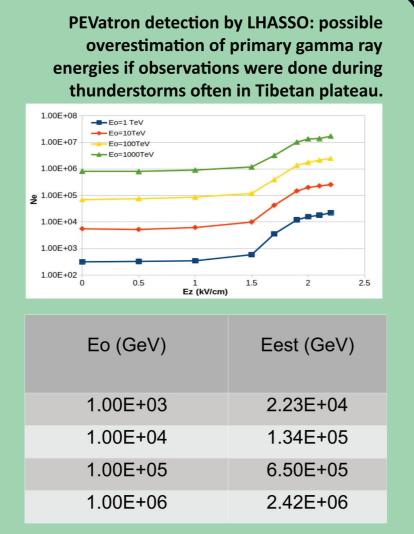


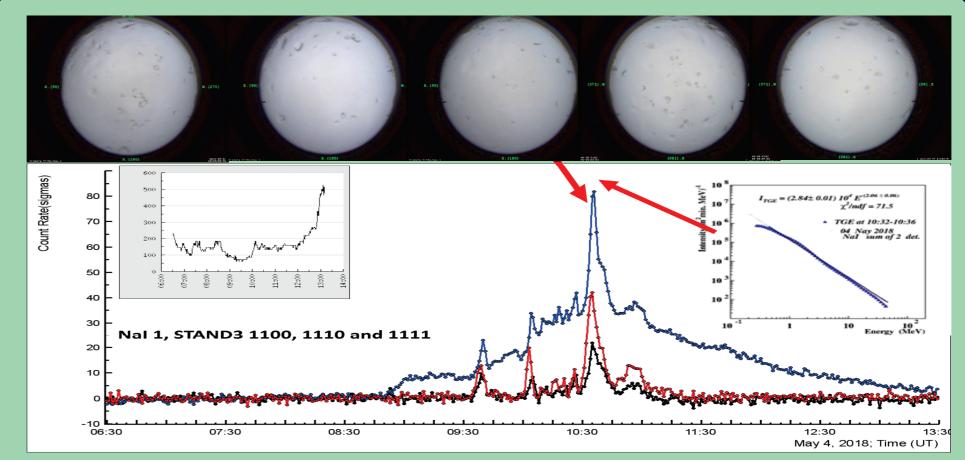
Aragats Cosmic Ray station: research of planetary, solar and galactic particle accelerators. Year-round operation from 1943. Coordinates: 40.47N, 44.18E, 3200m a.s.l. Located on highland near Kare lake in the vicinity of Aragats south peak ≈(3700m), the highest North peak is ≈4000 m.

INVESTIGATION STRATEGY/TECHNIQUES

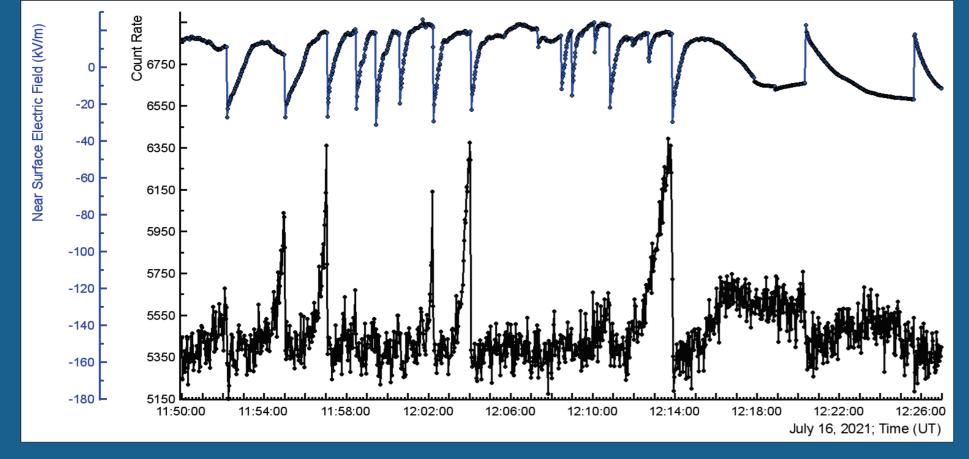
- The synergy of Comic Ray physics and Atmospheric physics;
- Continuous monitoring of different species of cosmic rays, electric and geomagnetic fields, lightning locations, meteorological parameters, cloud movements, and TLEs;
- Worldwide networks of identical particle detectors and field meters allowing precise synchronization and mutual analysis of data (Armenian network, East European SEVAN network);
- Possibilities of the online visualization and analysis of the stream of multivariate DATA from hundreds of measuring channels data by the advanced data extraction infrastructure (ADEI platform);
- Electron and gamma ray energy spectra recovering by the scintillation and the Nal crystal spectrometers.



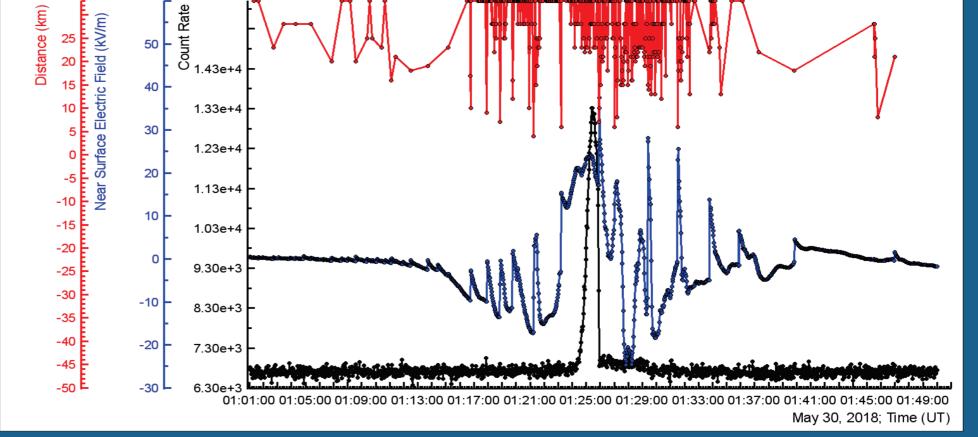




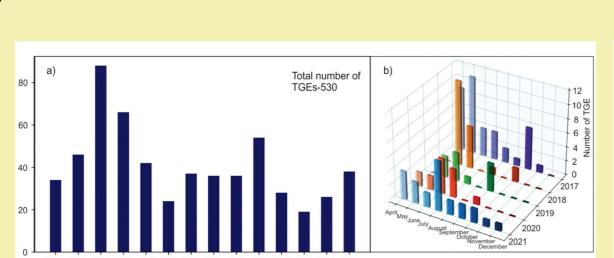
Long duration TGEs observed by spectrometers with low energy threshold (≈0.3 MeV). Radon progeny gamma radiation: mostly 214Pb and 214Bi: Radon isotopes circulation. Graupel detection.



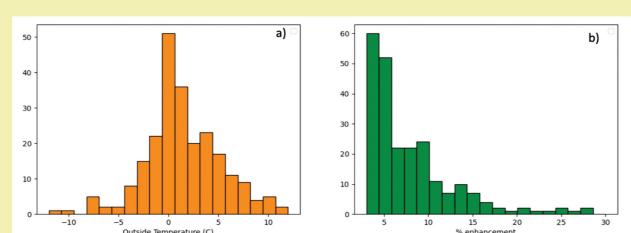
TGE terminations by nearby (distance <10 km) lightning flashes: NSEF disturbances and particle detector count rates



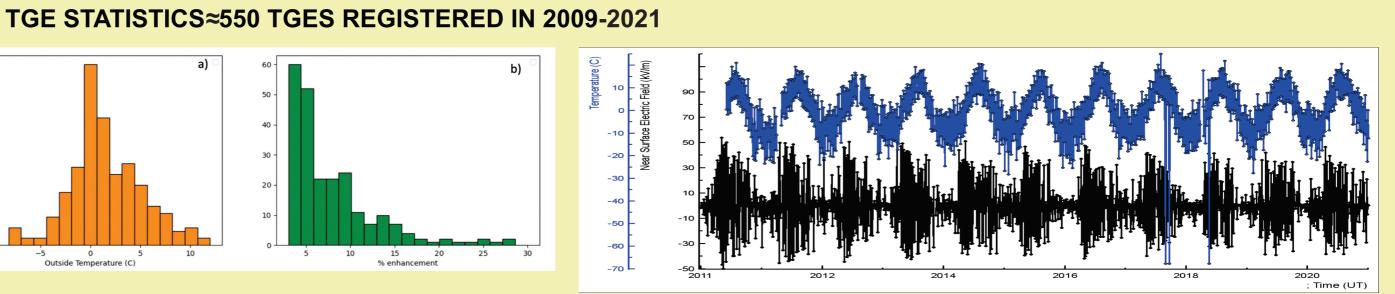
15 years of monitoring of Lightning location, Near-surface electric field (NSEF) and particle fluxes measured by multiple spectrometers...



TGE yearly and monthly statistics



a) The distribution of outside temperatures during TGEs; b) distribution of TGE significances by 3 cm thick plastic scintillator of STAND3 detector.



Time series of the NSEF (electric mill EFM-100 by BOLTEK firm, black), and outside temperature (DAVIS weather station, blue)