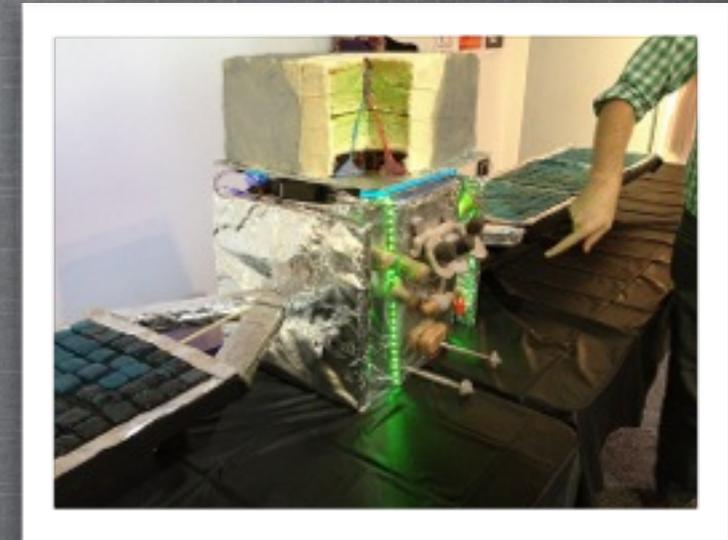


# iPTF + *FERMI*: "BUY FOR A DOLLAR, SELL FOR TWO"

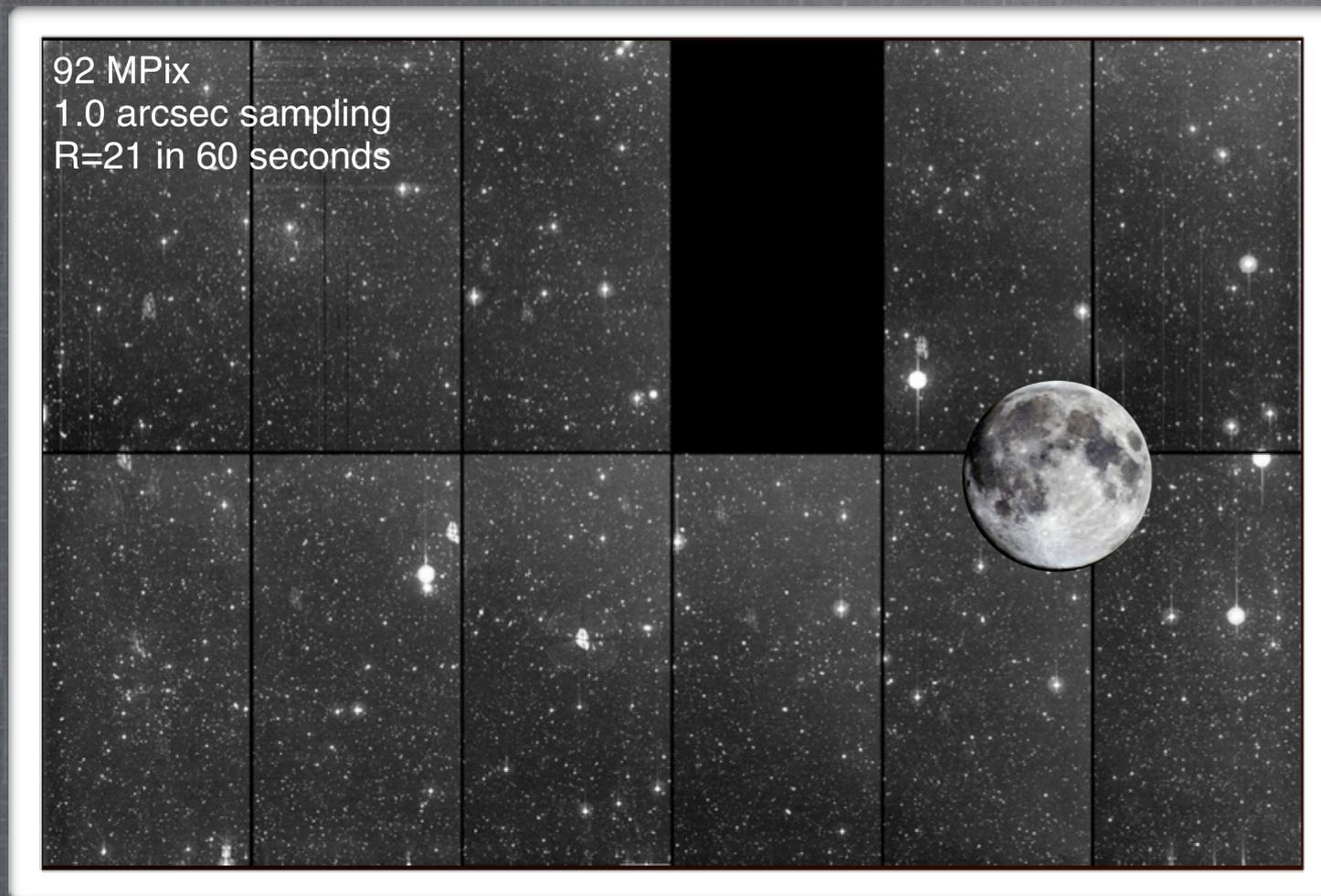


Gamma-Ray Bursts  
Supernovae  
Blazars  
Pulsars  
X-ray Binaries



# NEW WIDE-FIELD CAPABILITIES

The Palomar Transient Factory (PTF), et al.



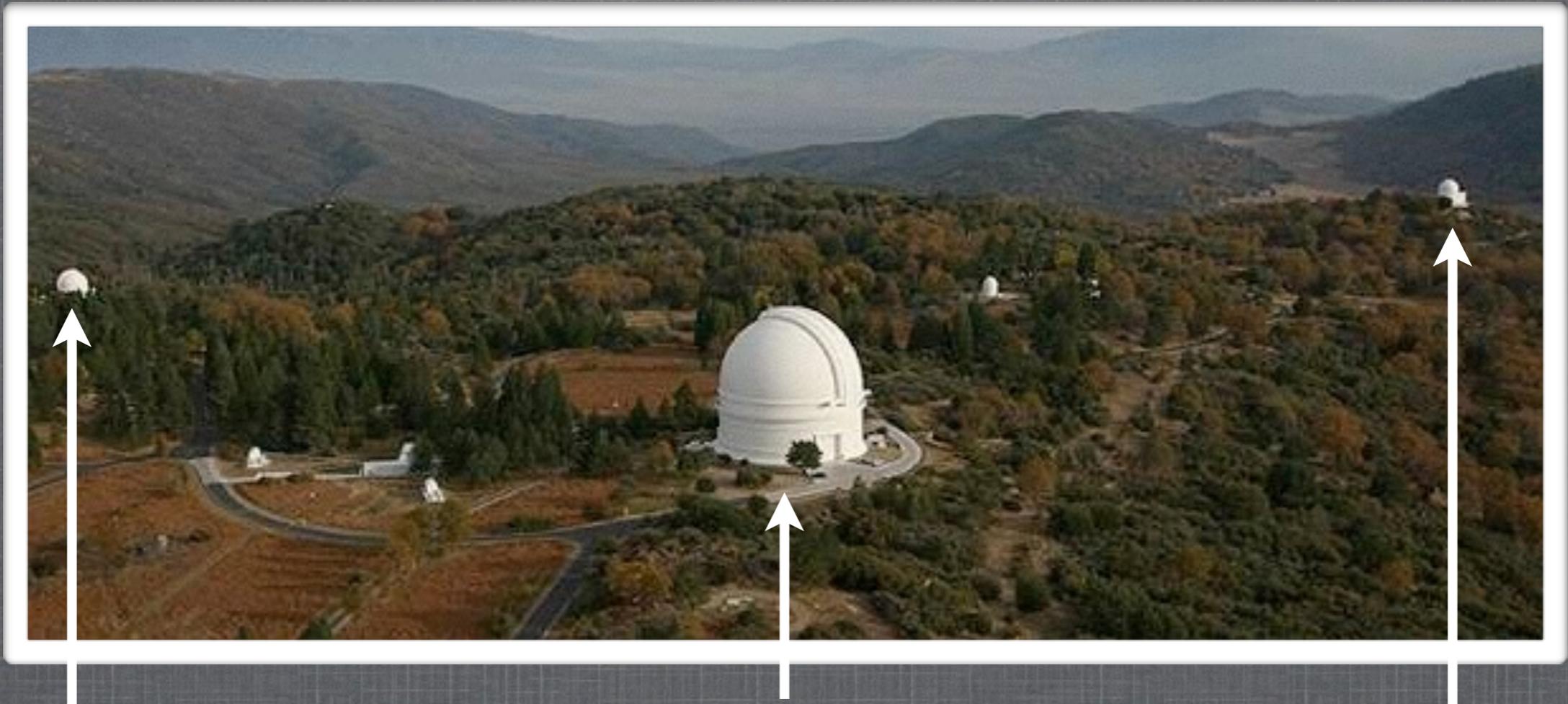
Over 2100 spectroscopically confirmed  
supernovae to date

- Palomar 48 inch Schmidt telescope + CFHT12k  $\Rightarrow$  7.2 deg<sup>2</sup> field-of-view
- Supernova search (2-3 day cadence) + more regular monitoring of nearby galaxies
- Automated discovery + multi-color photometry (P60)
- Large spectroscopic follow-up programs (Keck, Gemini, P200, Lick, etc.)

# PALOMAR TRANSIENT FACTORY

Wide-Field Discovery + Automated Multi-Color Follow-Up

Summit of Palomar Mountain



P48 = Discovery

P200+Keck+Lick+Gemini  
= Spectroscopy

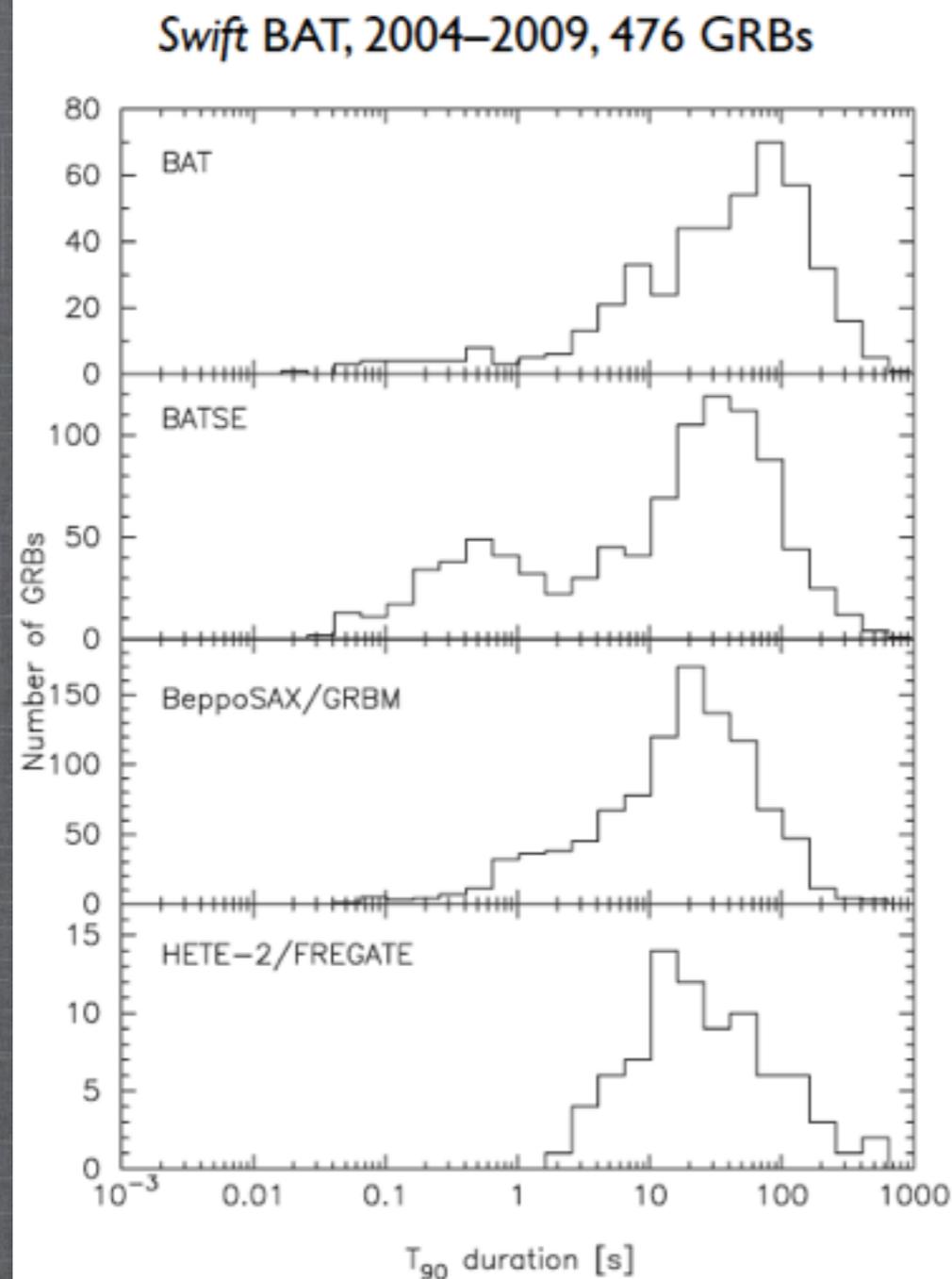
P60+PAIRITEL =  
Filtered Photometry

Factory = Fully automated, end-to-end discovery + follow-up

# JOINT *i*PTF+*FERMI* INVESTIGATIONS

- GBM Afterglow Discovery
- Unidentified LAT Source identification (short-period pulsars)
- “New Relativistic Explosions”

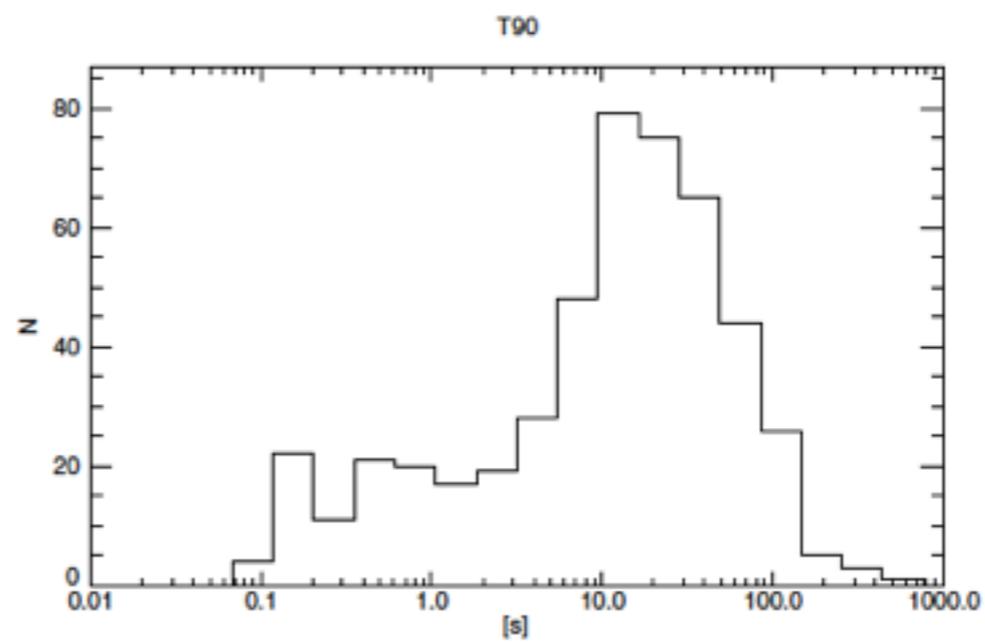
# GBM+PTF MOTIVATIONS



Sakamoto et al. (2011, ApJS 195:2)

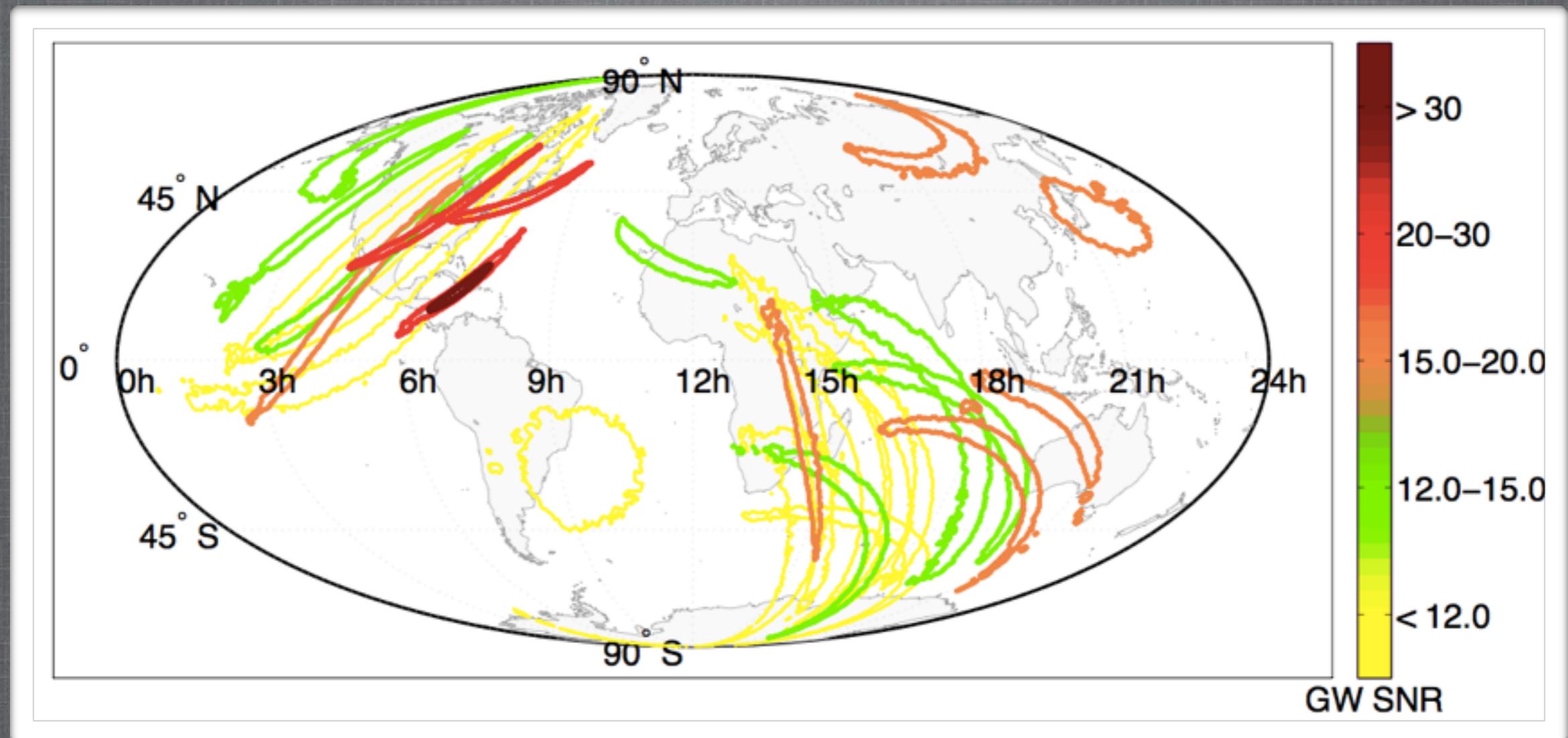
**Fermi detects more, shorter, and harder GRBs than *Swift*.**

Fermi GBM, 2008–2010, 491 GRBs



Paciesas et al. (2012, ApJS 199:18)

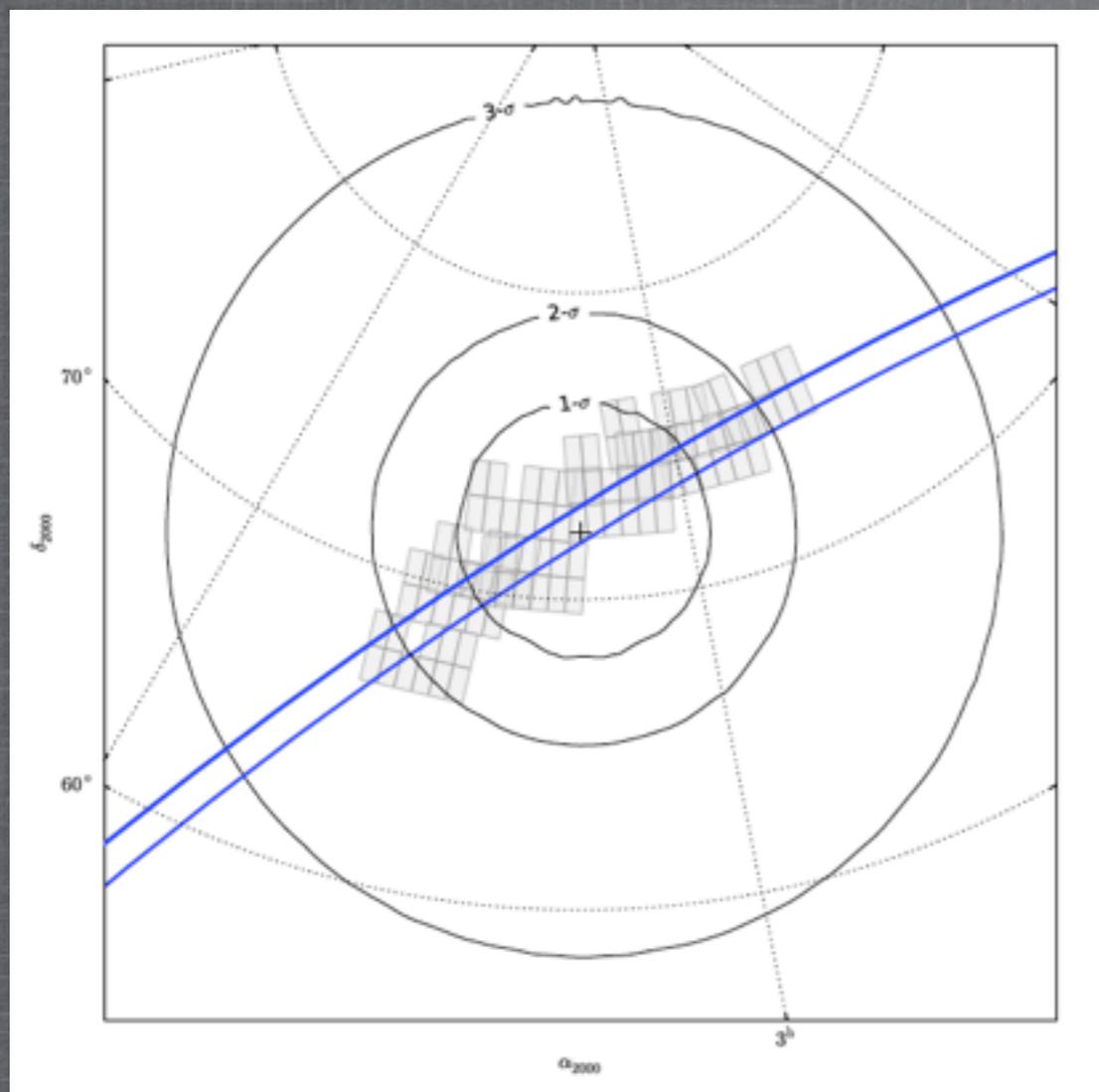
# GBM+PTF MOTIVATIONS



Kasliwal & Nissanke, 2013

Predicted electromagnetic signatures are faint, rapidly fading,  
and these sources will be very poorly localized

# GBM+PTF LOGISTICS



- Receive Human-in-the-loop (HITL) localizations (time delay  $\sim$  1 hour)
- Scaled confidence intervals (now use refined localization contours)
- Limited to 10 fields (71 deg),  $\sim$  1-2 triggers per month
- Focus on bright events (fluence, peak count rate) and short-hard GRBs
- Run through full iPTF machinery

# GBM+PTF LOGISTICS

**27,004** transient/variable candidates found by real-time iPTF analysis

**26,960** not known minor planets

**2740** sources without SDSS detections brighter than  $r'=21$

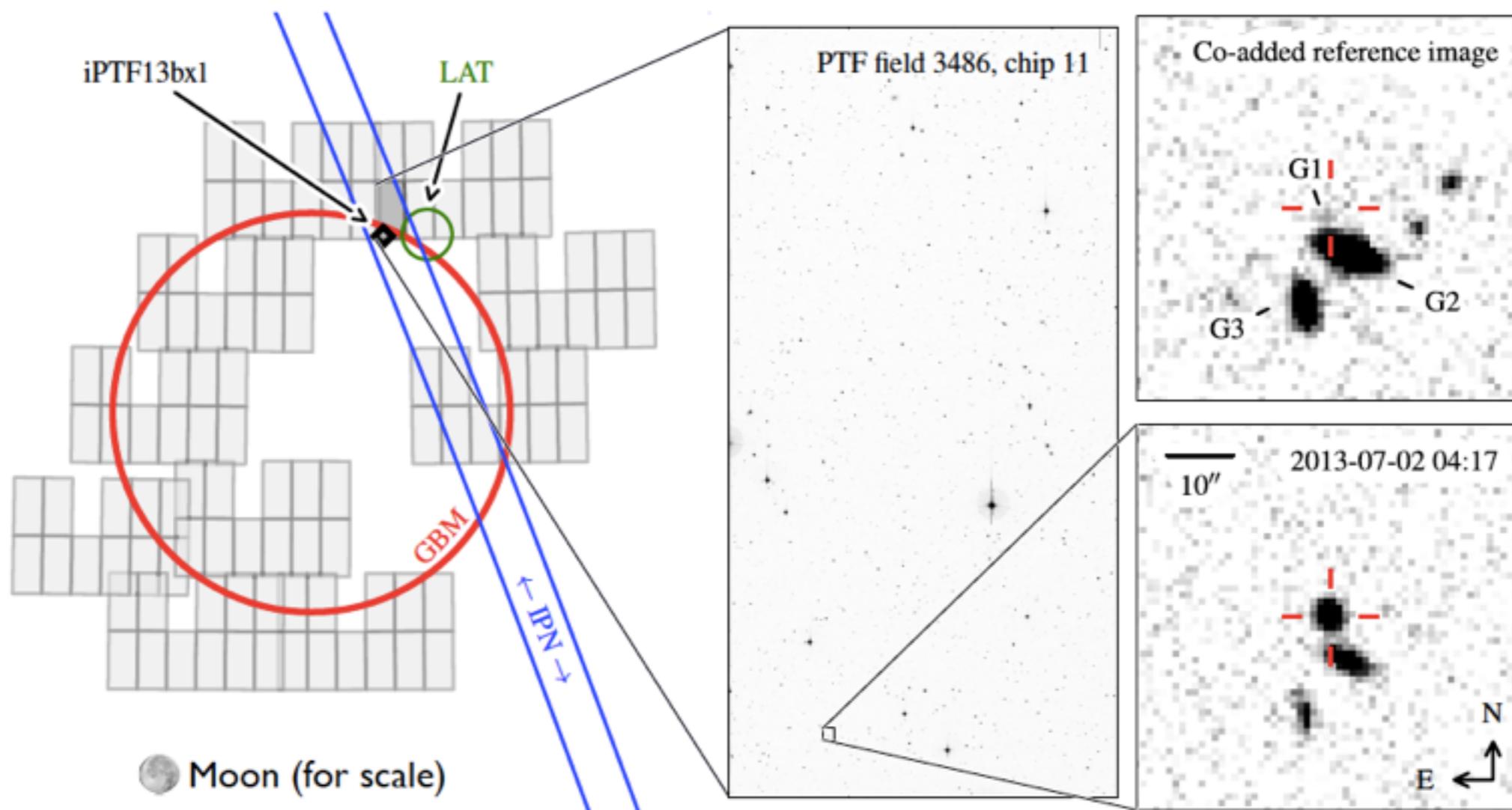
**43** sources detected in both P48 visits, presented to human scanners

**7** sources saved by humans

**3** afterglow-like candidates scheduled for follow-up

# GBM+PTF SUCCESSES

(Almost exactly) one year after IPN GRB:  
Discovery & redshift of a GBM GRB in 71 deg<sup>2</sup>

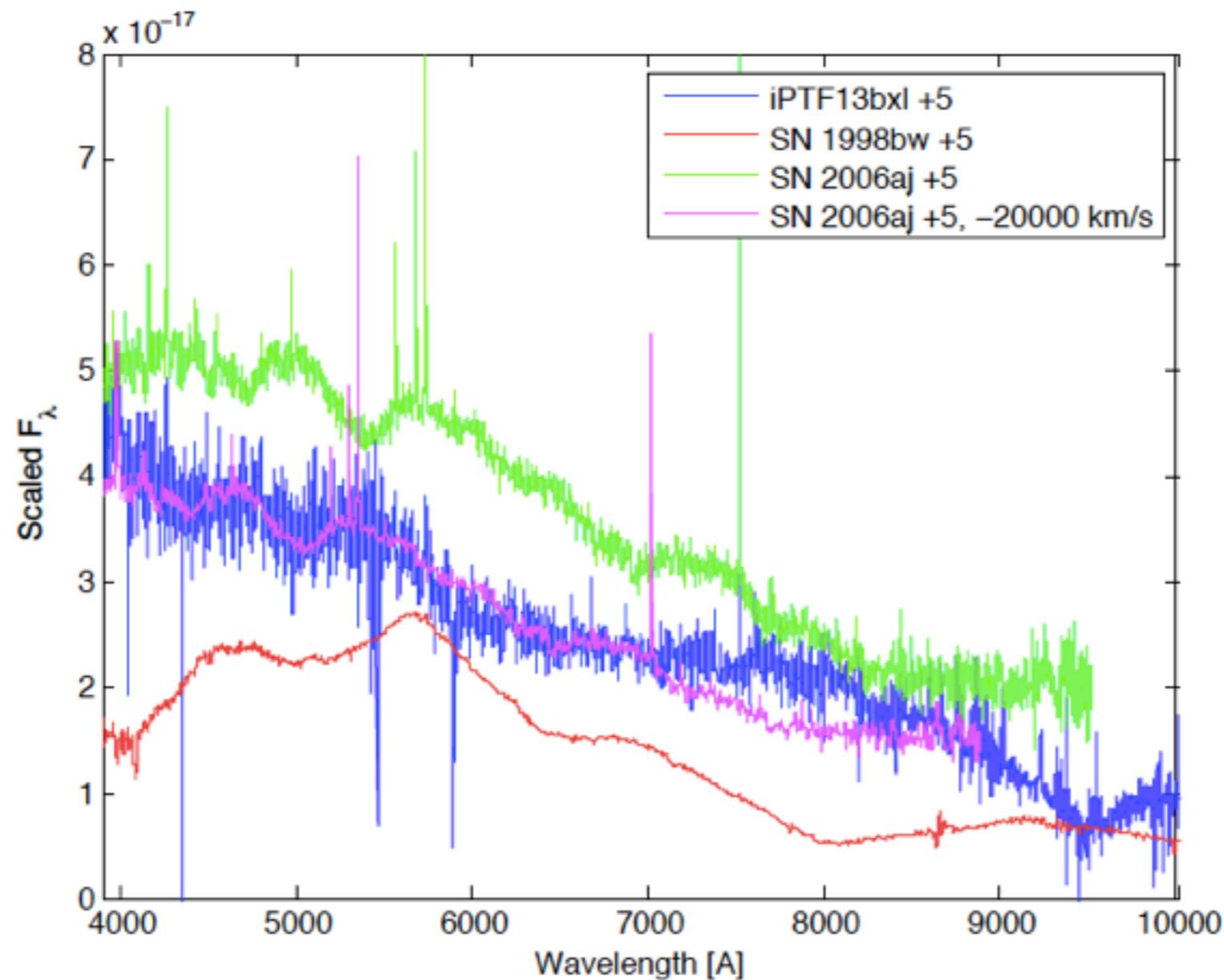


Singer et al.(2013, 2013, ApJL 776:34)

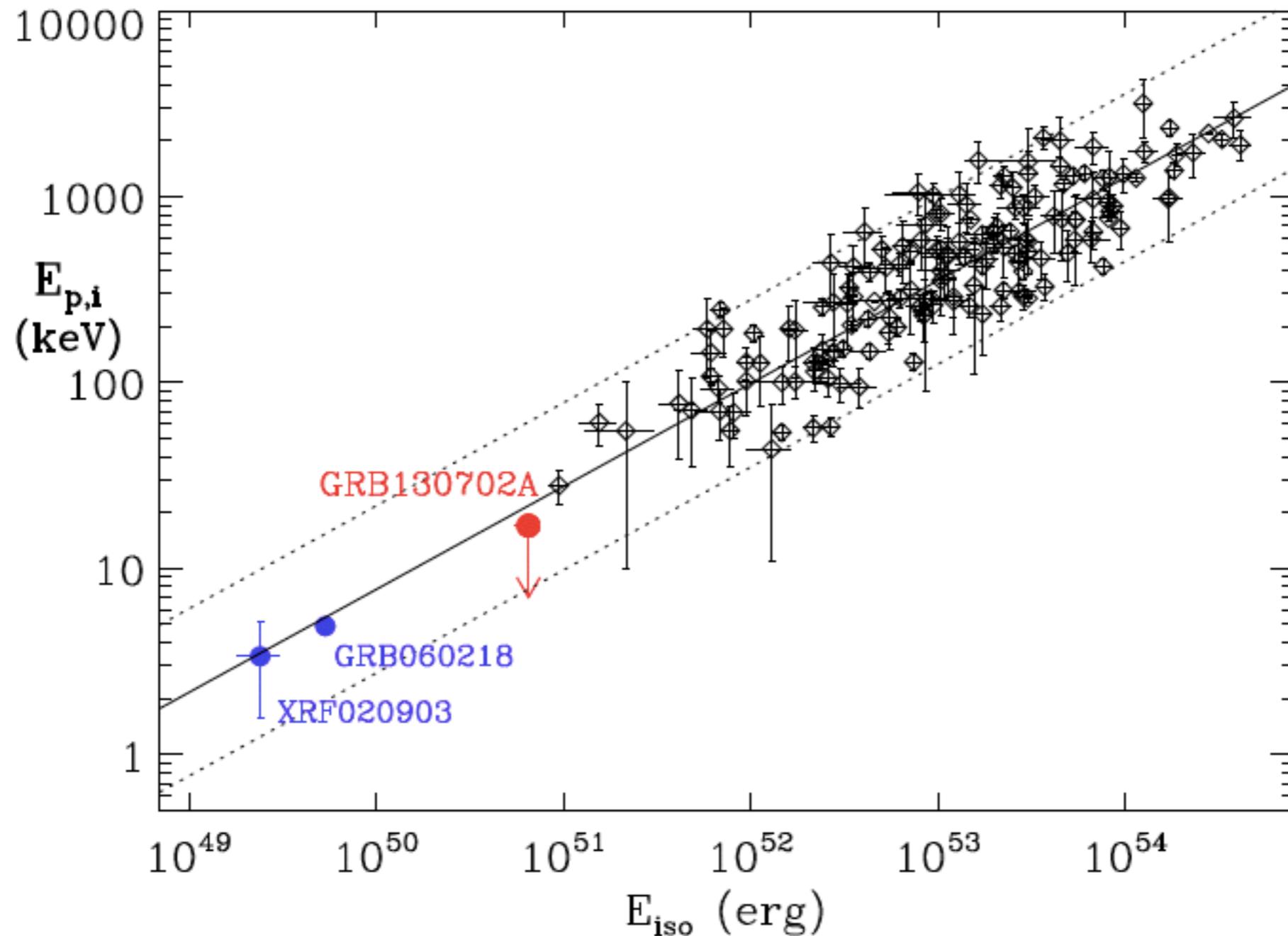
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1088/2041-8205/776/2/L34>

# GBM+PTF SUCCESSES

GRB 130702A's supernova:  
comparison with SN 2006aj (Ic)

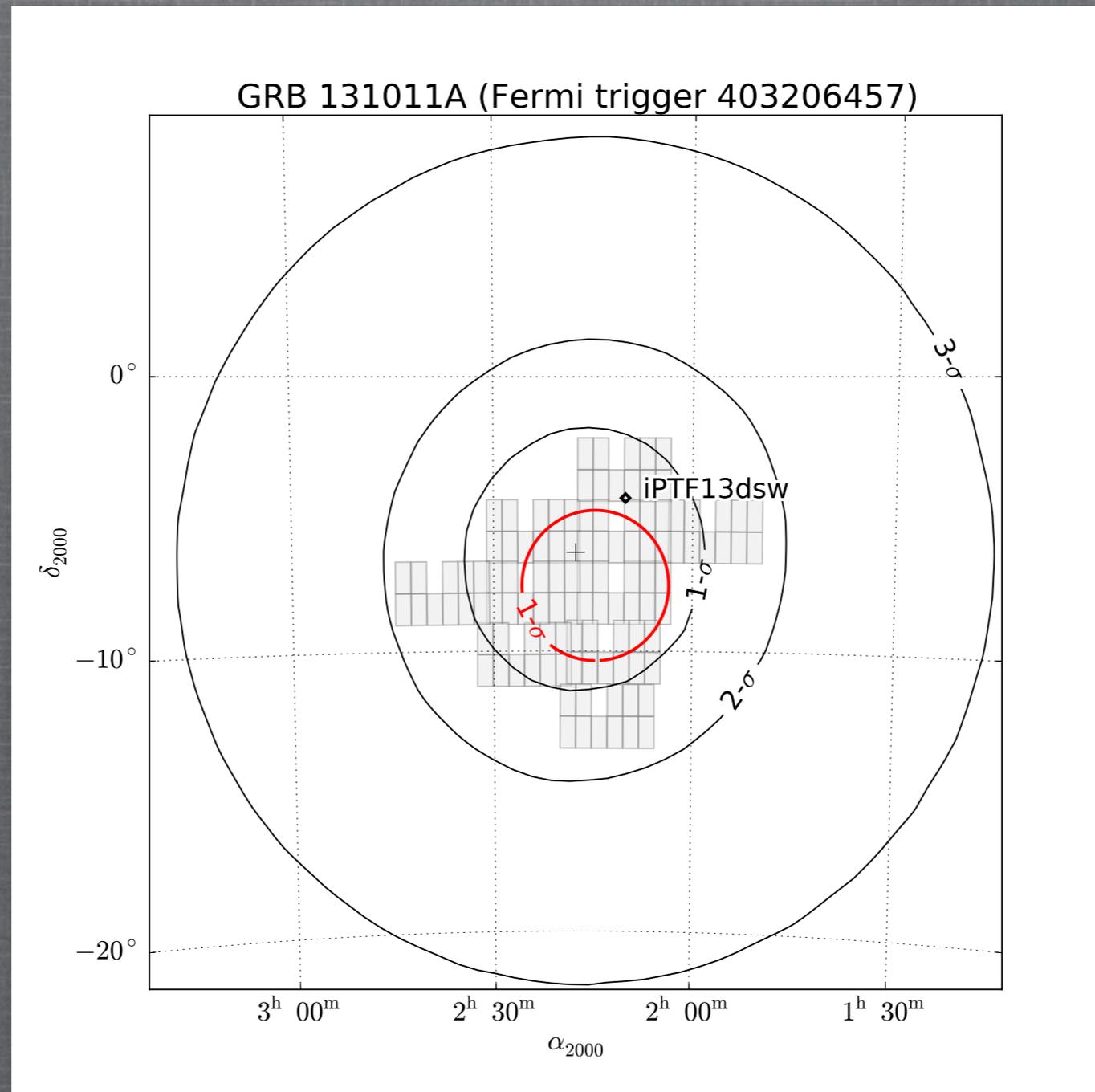


# GBM+PTF SUCCESSES



Amati et al. (2013, GCN Circ. 15025)

# GBM+PTF SUCCESSES

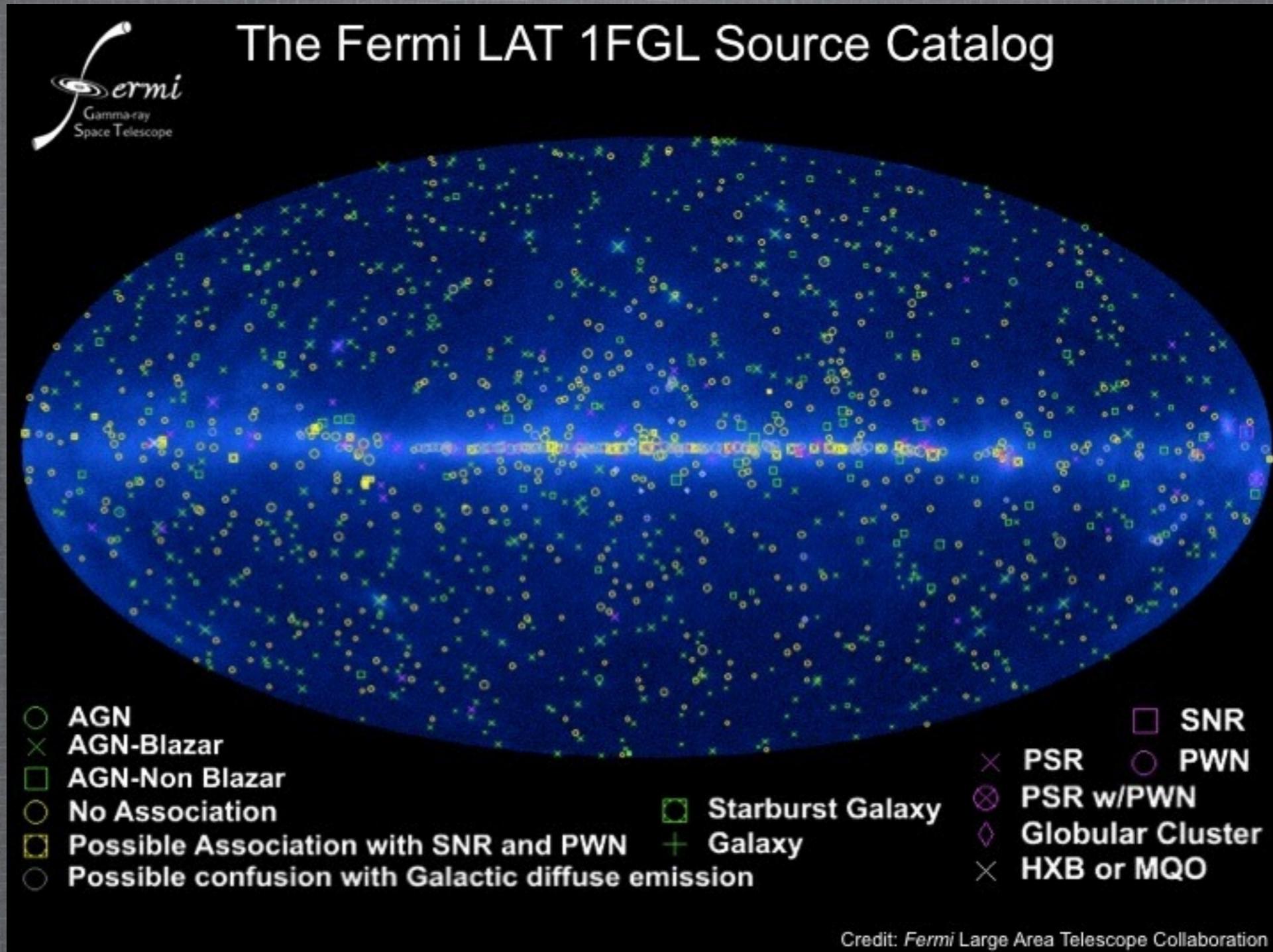


$z = 1.874$ ; limited broadband follow-up

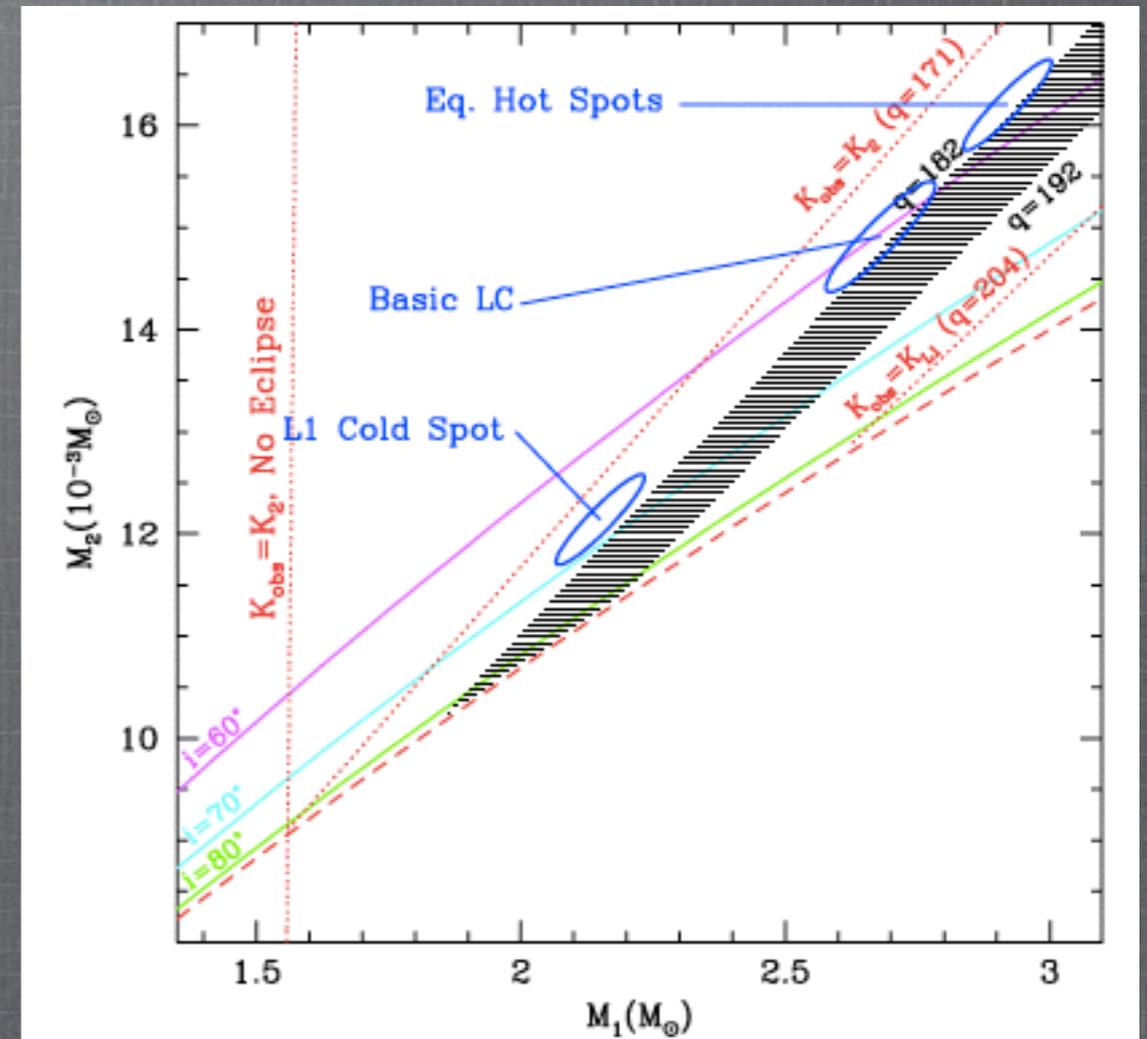
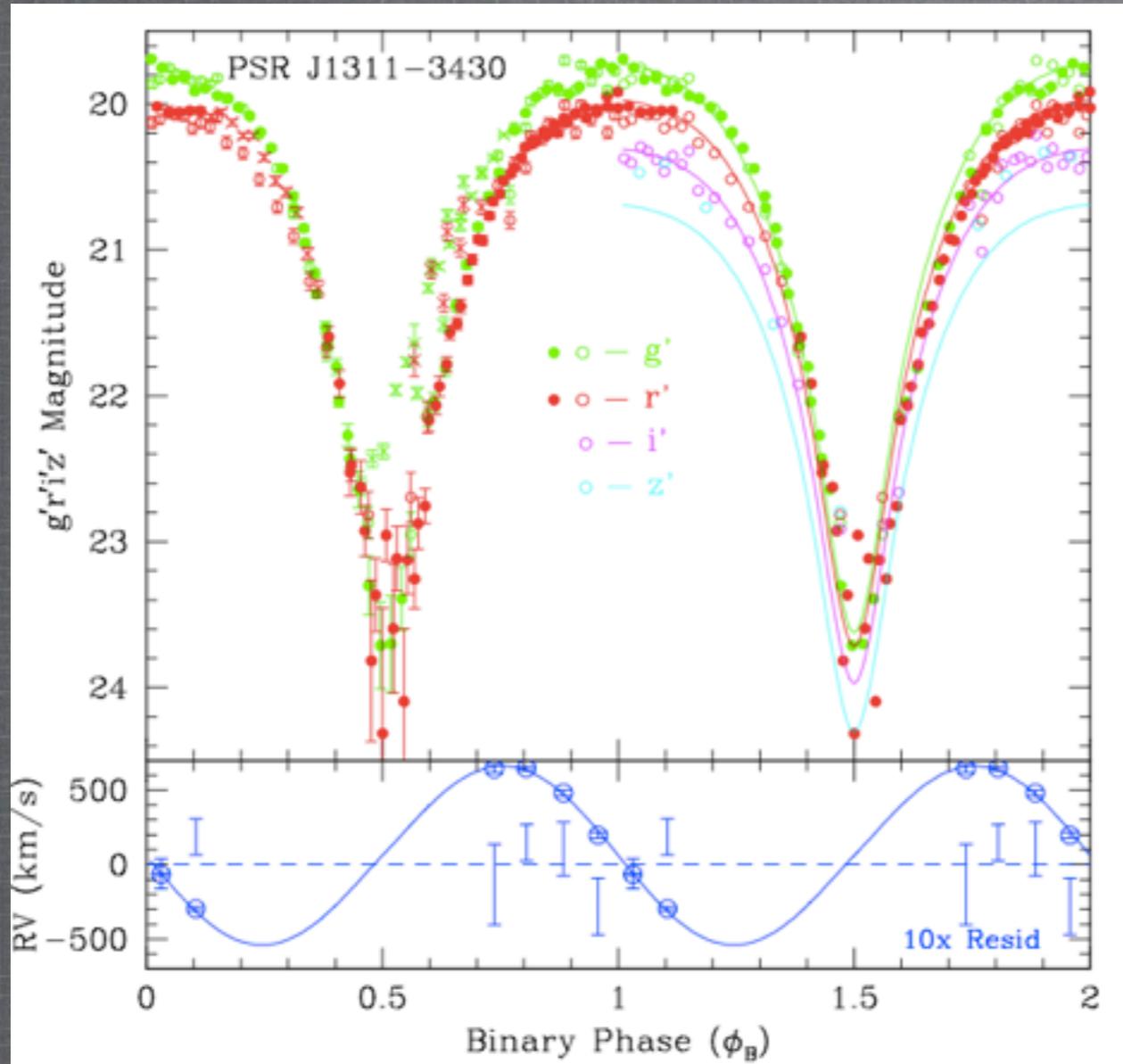
# GBM FOLLOW-UP STATUS

- ~ 12 GBM bursts followed-up to date (but only covered fraction of error circle for each, some later than others)
- 2 SHBs followed up (same night!) - no afterglows to ~ 20 mag at  $t \sim 7$  hr. This is not really constraining, need to think about strategy
- Helping to consume and develop prompt localization contours (including systematic uncertainty)

# UNIDENTIFIED LAT SOURCES

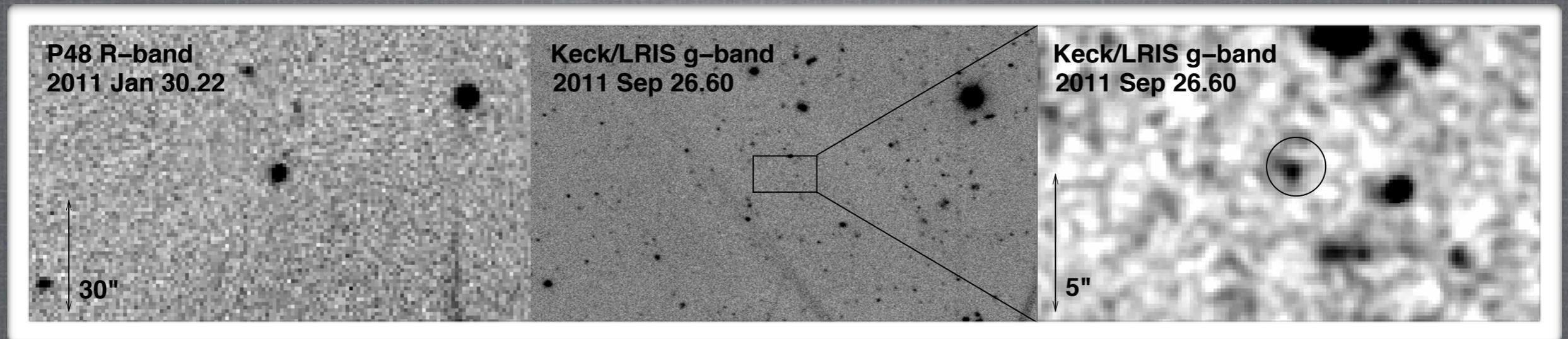


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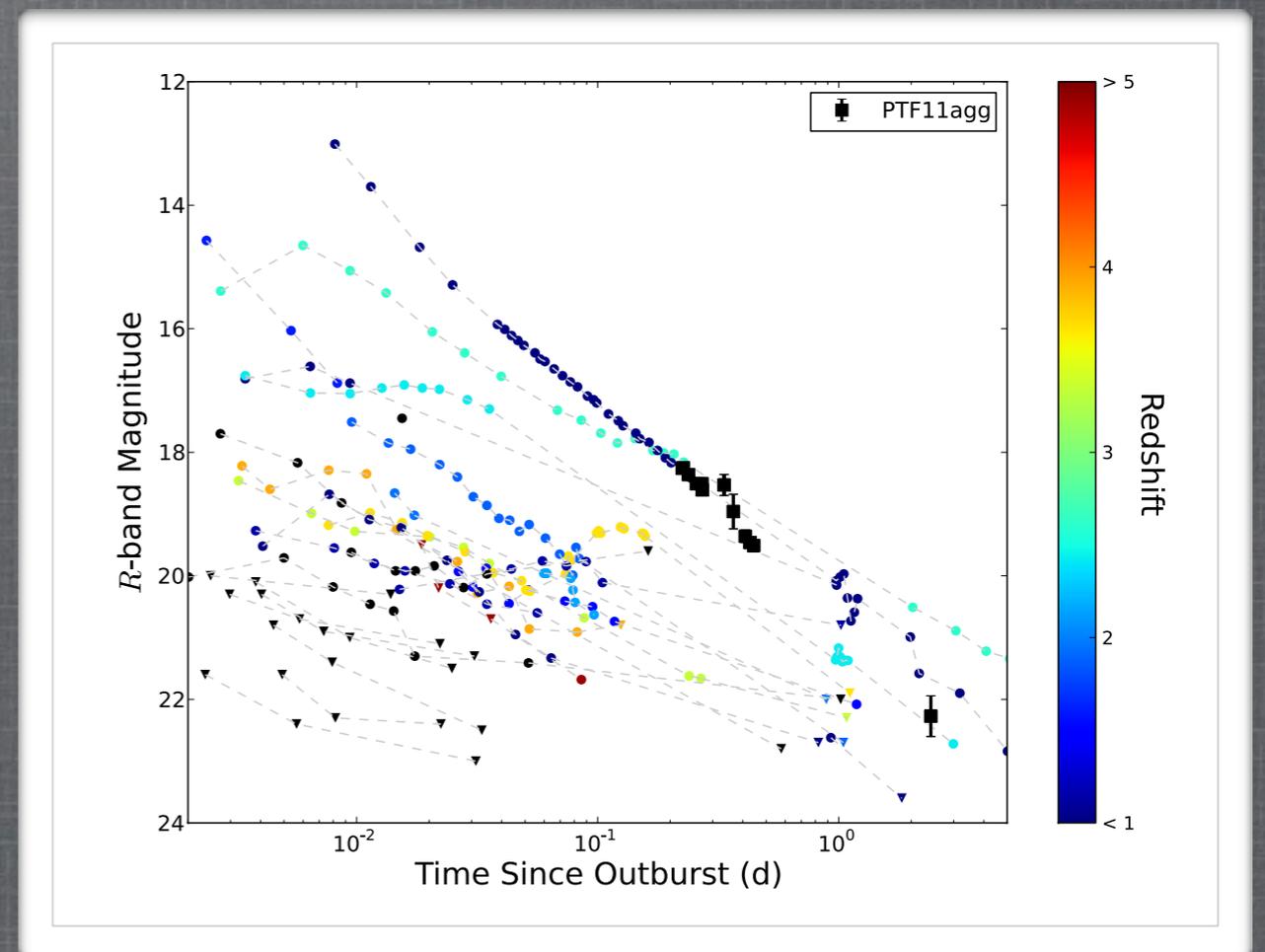


Searching for short ( $< \sim$  few hours) period optical counterparts to find more candidate BW / redback pulsars

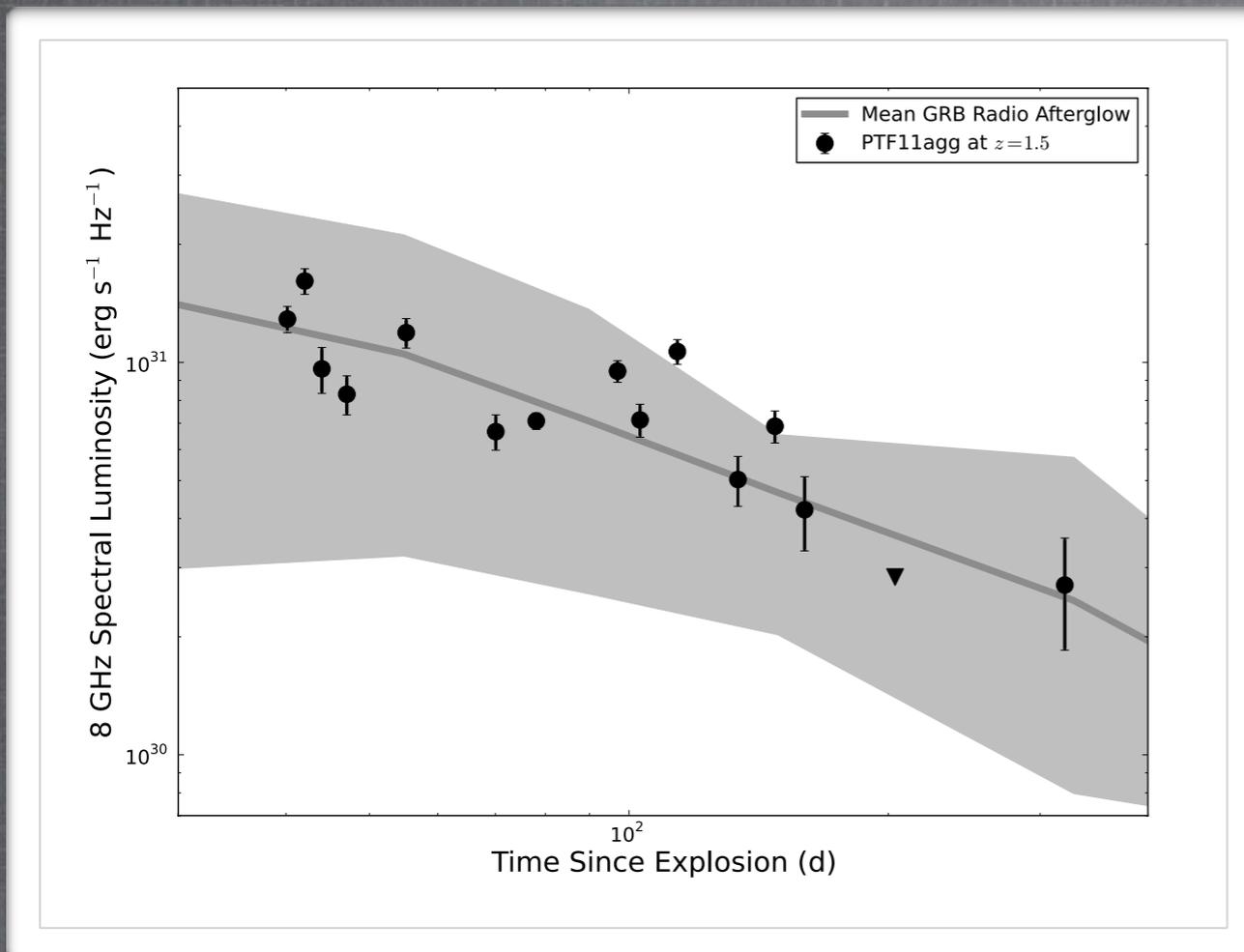
# PTF11AGG: ORPHAN AFTERGLOW?



PTF11agg: discovered at  
 $R = 18.0$  mag on Jan 30,  
faded by 1.5 mag in 5  
hours, 4 mag in 2 days, 8  
mag in 2 weeks.  
Quiescent counterpart  
with  
 $R = 26.0$  mag, blue color.

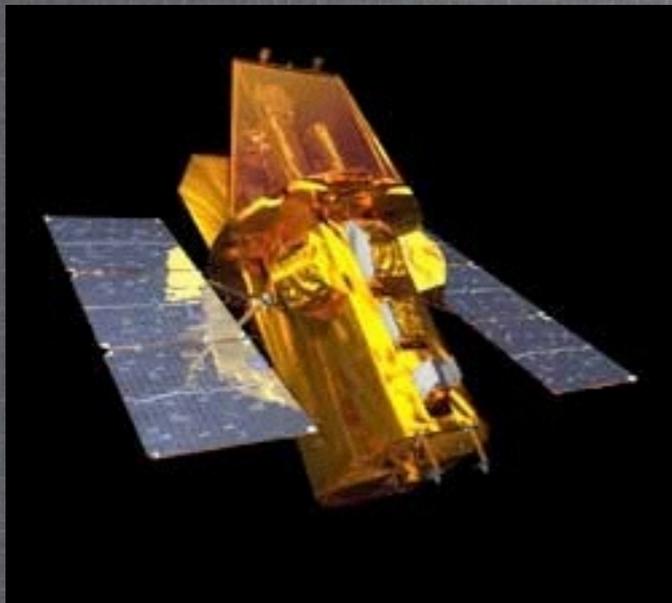


# PTF11AGG: ORPHAN AFTERGLOW?



- Long-lived, scintillating radio counterpart  $\Rightarrow$  angular size  $\sim 20$  mas at  $\Delta t \sim 40$  d
- At cosmological distances, requires (modestly) relativistic ejecta ( $\Gamma > 1.5$ )
- No obvious high-energy counterpart, but not particularly constraining
- Likelihood of chance (on-axis) GRB detection by PTF is modest ( $\sim$  few percent)
- Either very lucky or more common class of relativistic outbursts

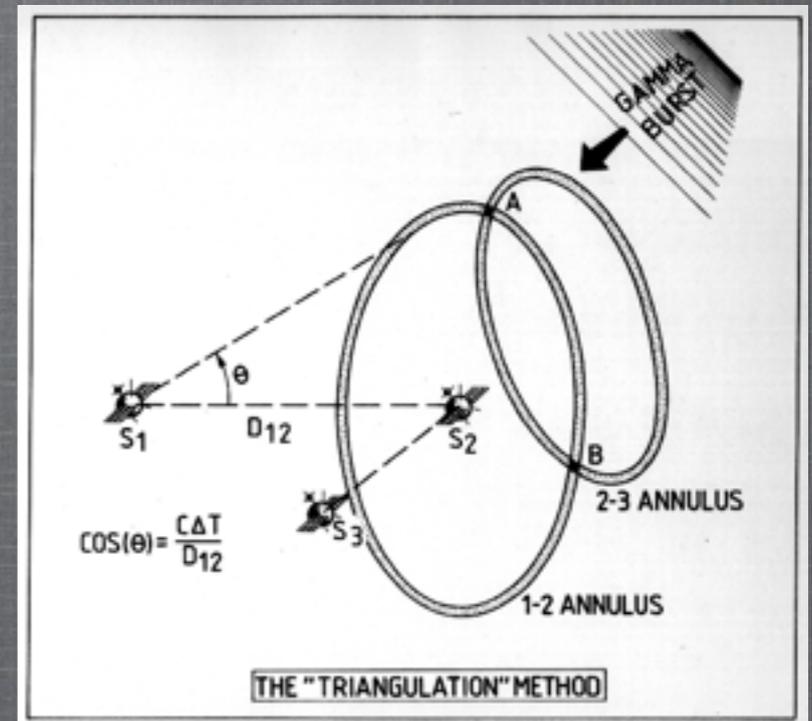
# "UNTRIGGERED" GRB?



*Swift*/BAT: 2 sr FOV,  
 $f > 6 \times 10^{-9}$  erg cm<sup>-2</sup>



*Fermi*/GBM: 8 sr FOV,  
 $f > 4 \times 10^{-8}$  erg cm<sup>-2</sup>

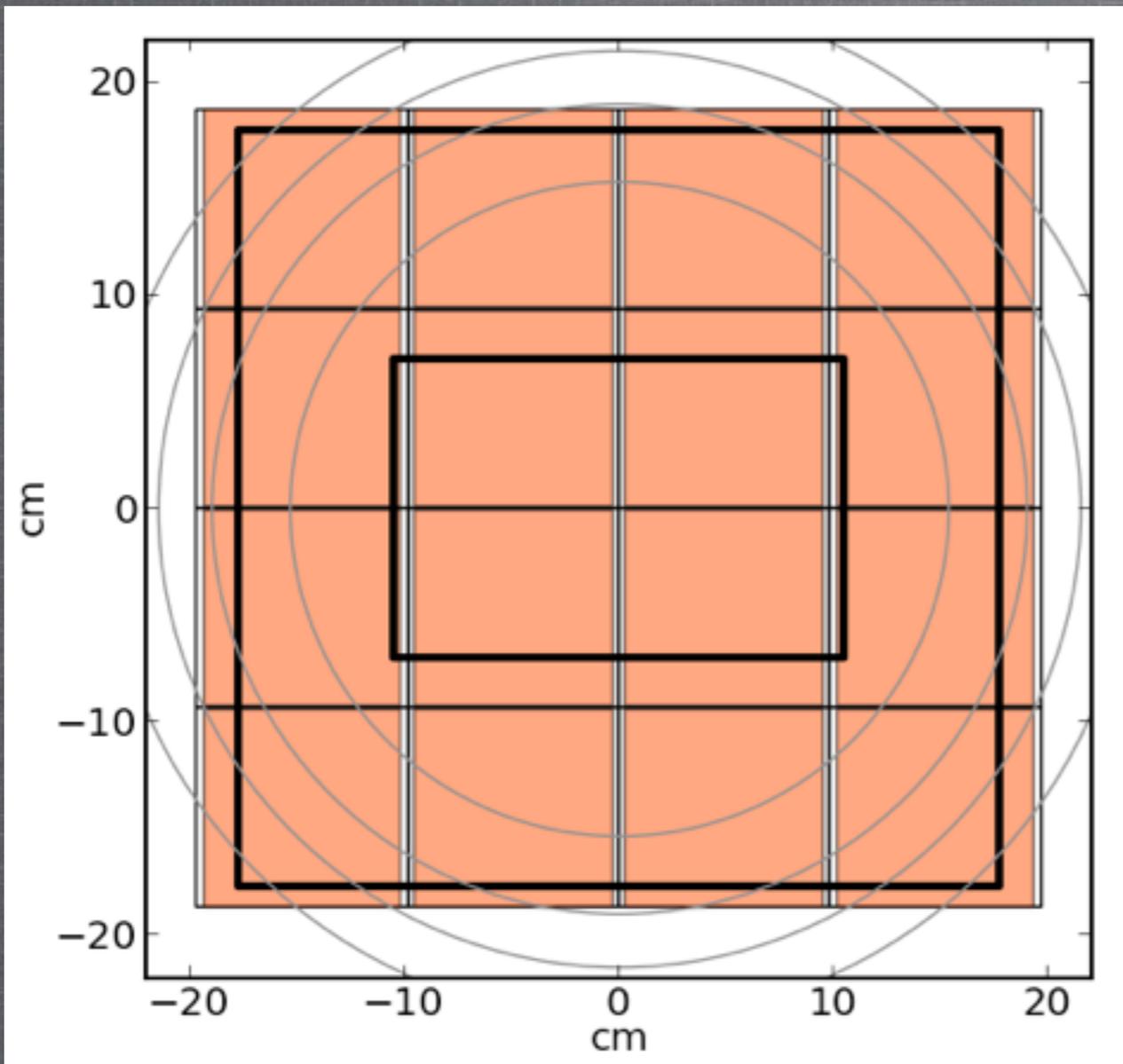


Inter-Planetary Network:  
all-sky,  $f > 6 \times 10^{-7}$  erg cm<sup>-2</sup>

~ 40% of non-detection by both *Swift* and *Fermi* for events with fluence below IPN sensitivity

# FUTURE I: ZTF

## Zwicky Transient Facility (ZTF)



- New camera populating entire focal plane of P48,  $\sim 45 \text{ deg}^2$  (i.e., a factor of 6 larger area than current camera)
- With faster readout and shorter (30 s) exposures, survey volume increases by  $\sim 14x$
- Expected Discoveries:
  - 1 young ( $< 24 \text{ hr}$ ) SN per night
  - 5 orphan afterglows per year
  - 20 11agg-like events per year
  - $> 250$  pointings of all Northern sky

# FUTURE II: BROADER VIEW

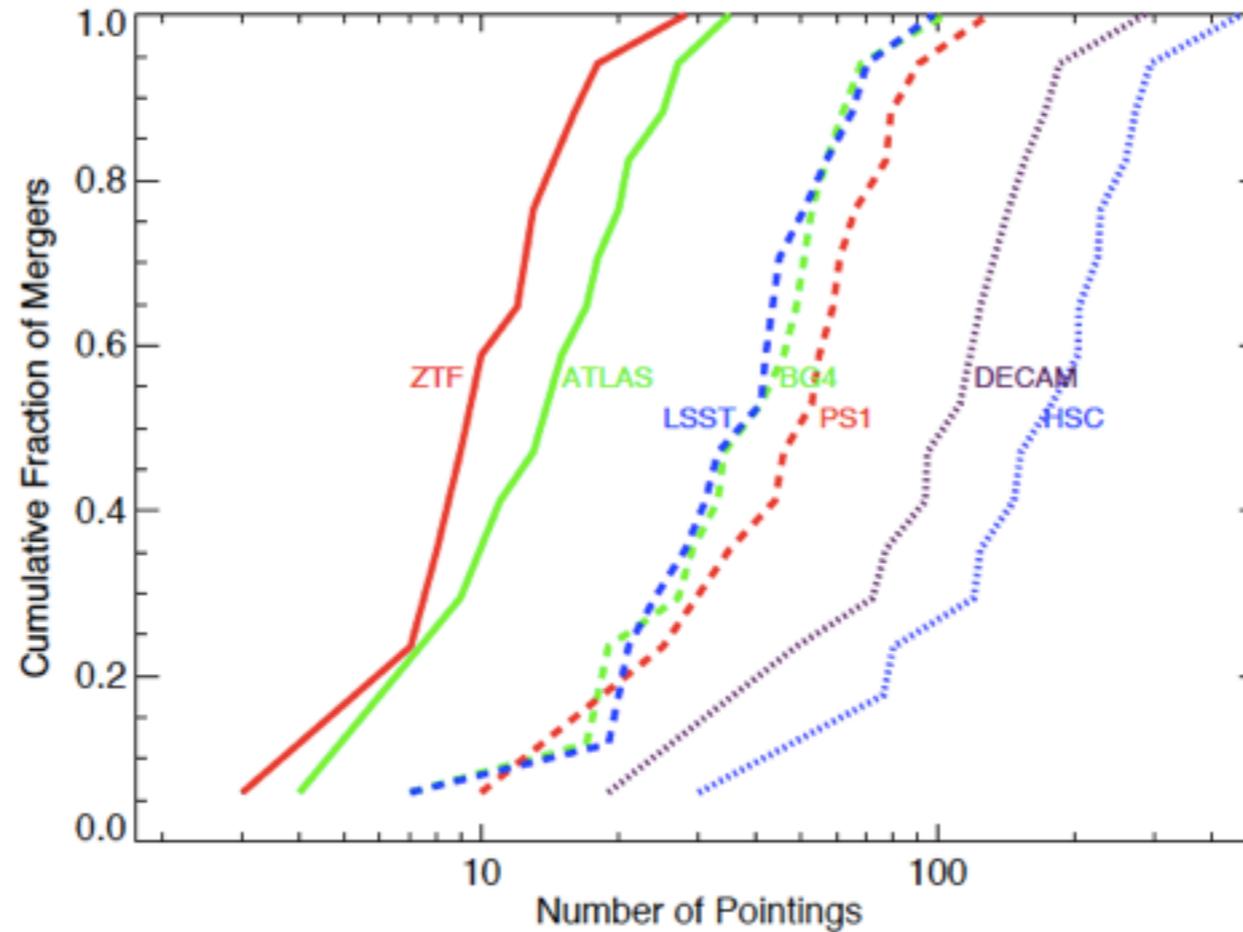


FIG. 3.— Cumulative distribution of number of pointings necessary to tile localization arcs at all sky positions by LIGO-H and LIGO-L. Color represents telescope diameter: 0.5m-class (green), 1m-class (red), 4m-class (purple) and 8m-class (blue). Line style represents camera angle: few tens of  $\text{deg}^2$  (solid), several  $\text{deg}^2$  (dashed) and few  $\text{deg}^2$  (dotted).

TABLE 1

Facility	Aperture (m)	Field-of-View ( $\text{deg}^2$ )	Exposure (sec)	Overhead (sec)	Sensitivity ( $5\sigma$ , i-mag)	Detectable Fraction (-16; -14; -12 mag)	Lag (hr)
Palomar: Zwicky Transient Facility (ZTF) <sup>a</sup>	1.2	47	600	15	22.2	0.94; 0.35; 0.06	$1 \pm 2$
BlackGEM-4 (BG4) <sup>b</sup>	$4 \times 0.6$	$4 \times 2$	600	15	22.2	0.65; 0.12; 0.06	$12 \pm 2$
Pan-STARRS1 (PS1) <sup>c</sup>	1.8	7.0	180	10	21.9	0.76; 0.18; 0.06	$3 \pm 2$
ATLAS <sup>d</sup>	0.5	30	600	5	21.0	0.53; 0.06; 0.06	$3 \pm 2$
CTIO: Dark Energy Camera (DECAM) <sup>e</sup>	4.0	3.0	10	30	22.8	0.53; 0.47; 0.12	$12 \pm 2$
Subaru: HyperSuprimeCam (HSC) <sup>f</sup>	8.2	1.77	1	20	22.4	0.47; 0.47; 0.18	$3 \pm 2$
Large Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST) <sup>g</sup>	8.4	9.6	1	2	22.4	1.00; 1.00; 0.65	$12 \pm 2$