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# ***Solar energetic particle analysis platform for the inner heliosphere***

## **A Research and Innovation Action**

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2. University of Kiel, DE (CAU)
3. Paul Sabatier University, Toulouse, FR (UPS)
  - IRAP as a connected third party
4. Imperial College London, UK (Imperial)
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6. University of Alcalá, ES (UAH)

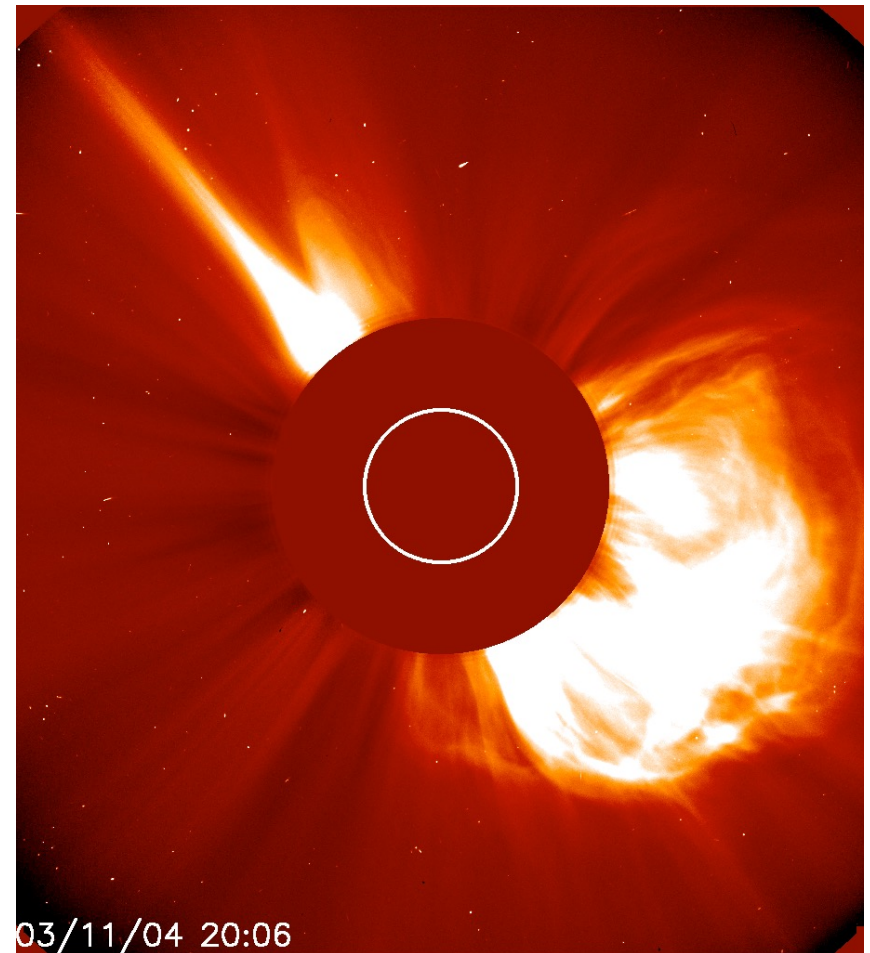


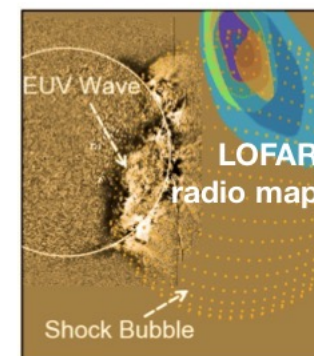
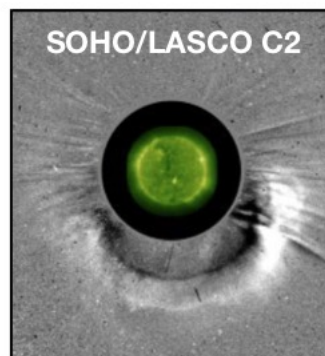
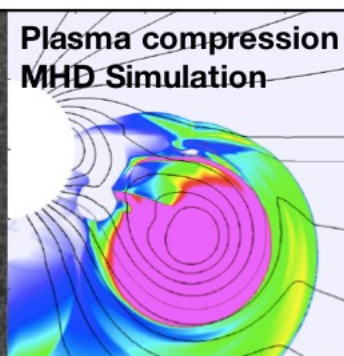
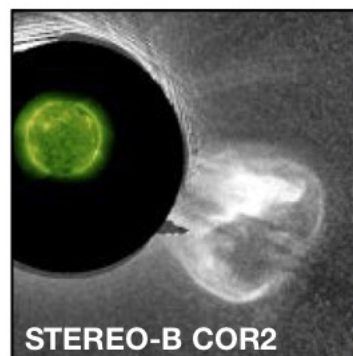
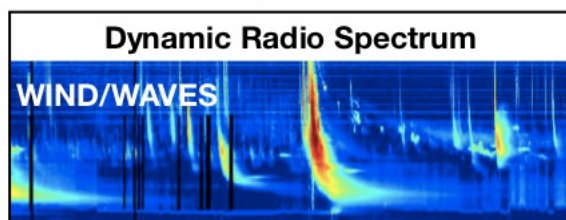
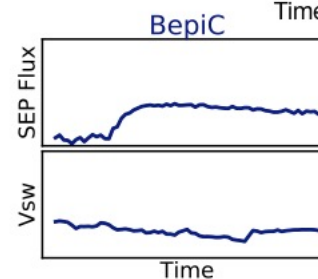
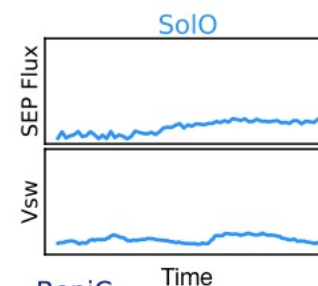
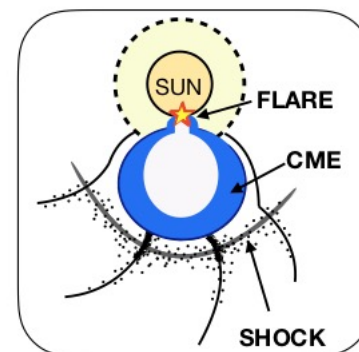
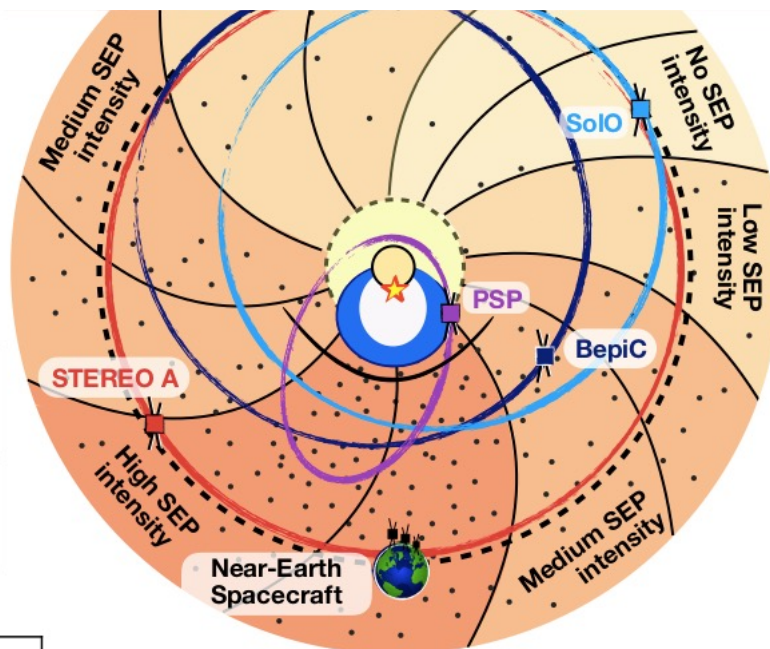
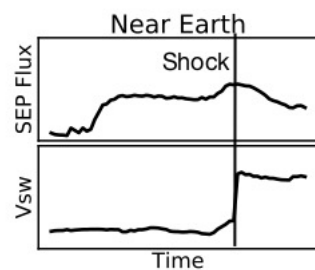
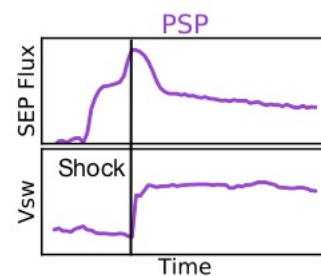
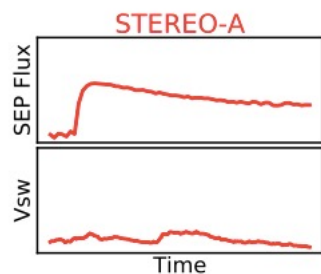


# Project idea

## SERPENTINE

- Studies very high energy particles emitted from the Sun during solar eruptions
  - Particle acceleration processes
  - Particle transport processes
- Provides the community with data analysis tools
- Utilizes observations from recently launched space missions to the inner heliosphere
  - Parker Solar Probe
  - Solar Orbiter
  - BepiColombo

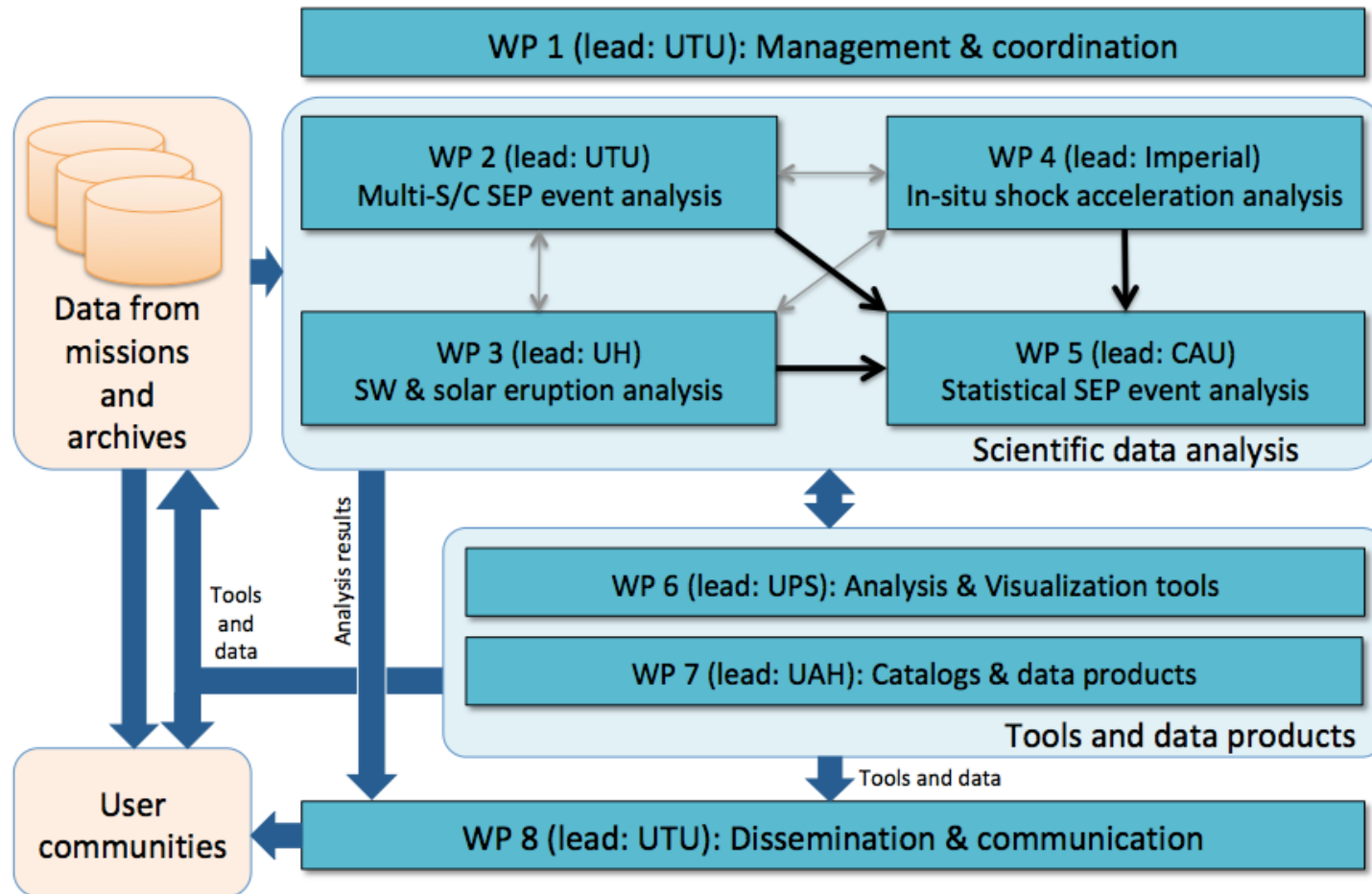




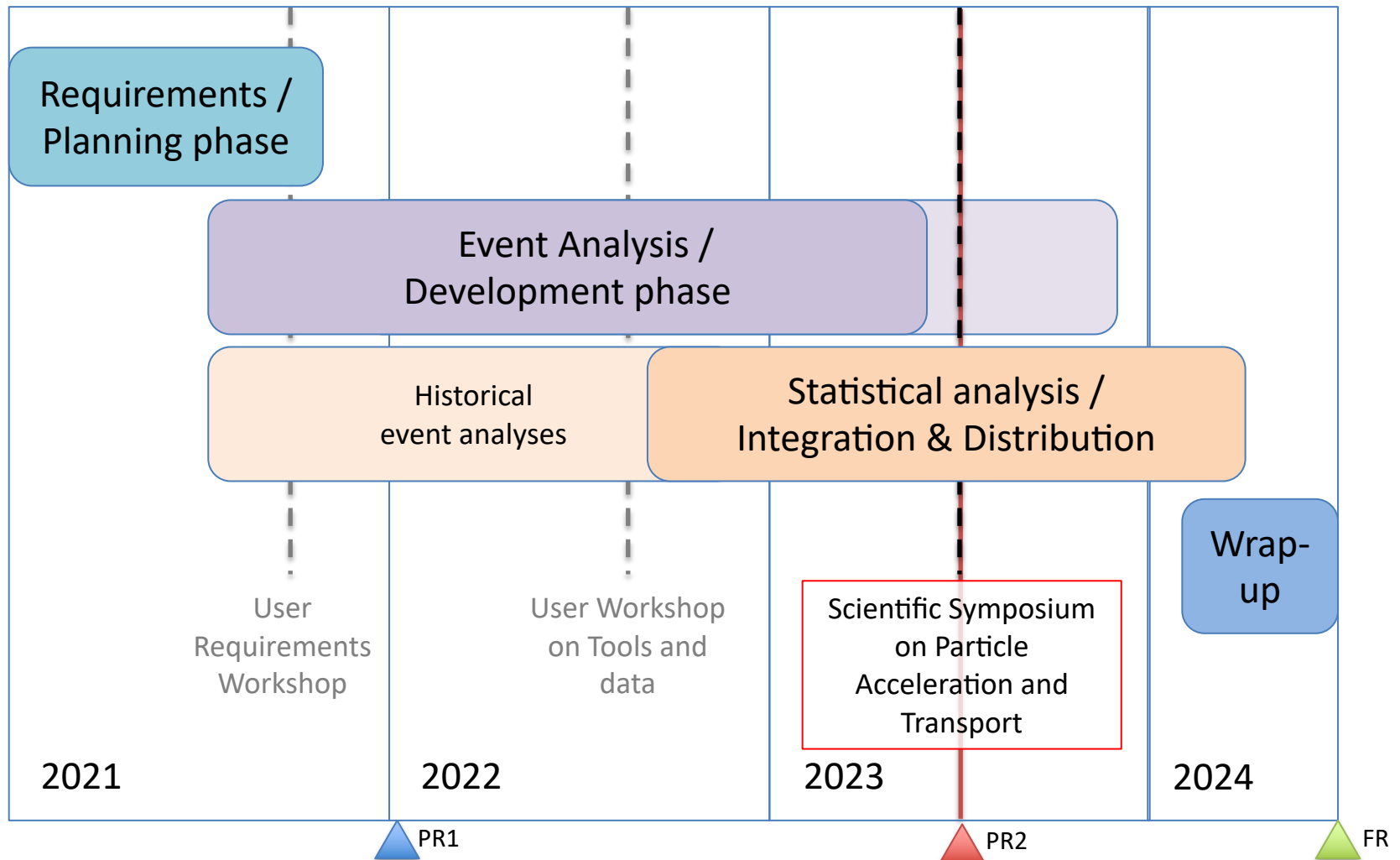




# Work Plan



# Overall schedule 01/2021–06/2024





# Science questions

**Primary objective: obtain answers to the following science questions:**

Q1: What are the **primary causes for widespread SEP events** observed in the heliosphere?

Q2: What are the **shock acceleration mechanisms** responsible for **accelerating ions** from thermal/suprathermal energies to near-relativistic energies in the corona and in the interplanetary medium?

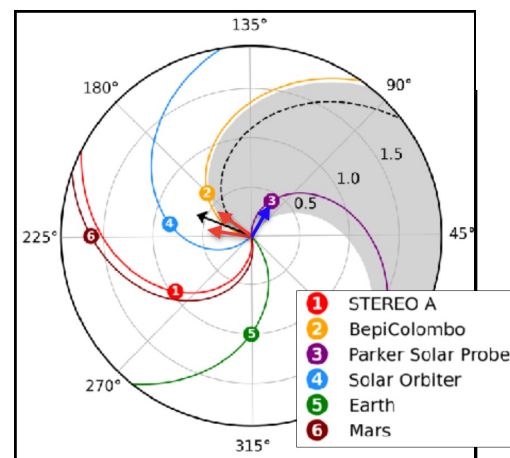
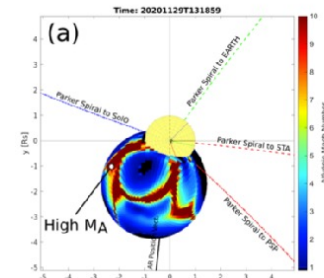
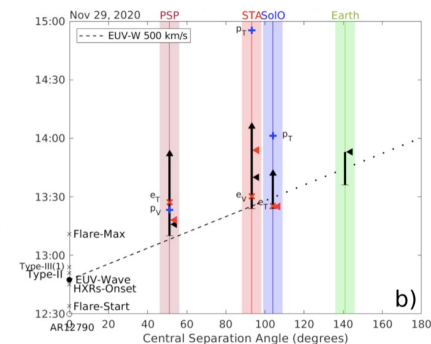
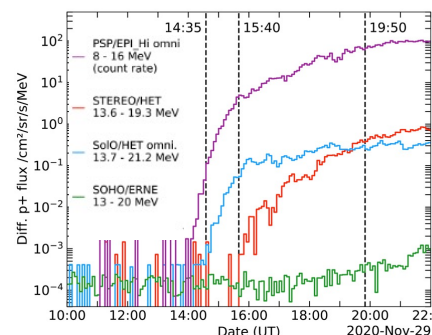
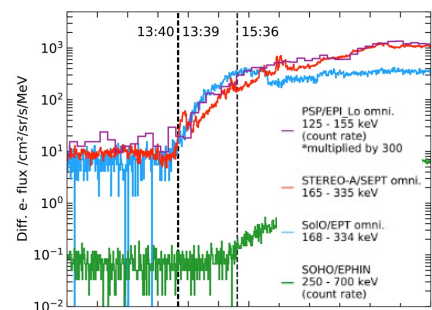
Q3: What is the **role of shocks in electron acceleration** in large gradual and widespread events? How does it relate to ion acceleration and what is its importance relative to flare acceleration?



# Q1: primary causes of widespread events

- *Kollhoff et al (2021, A&A) and Kouloumvakos et al (2022, A&A):*
  - Multi-S/C analysis of the first widespread SEP event of SC 25
  - Data supports the key role of the shock as the source of particles
  - Particle fluxes in the most remote observer (Earth) due to diffusion
- *Dresing et al (2023, A&A):*
  - Multi-S/C analysis of the second widespread event of SC 25
  - Electron release times consistent with shock expansion to connected field line, protons delayed
  - Consistent with multiple sources as one cause of widespread events

→ **Multiple causes for widespread events**

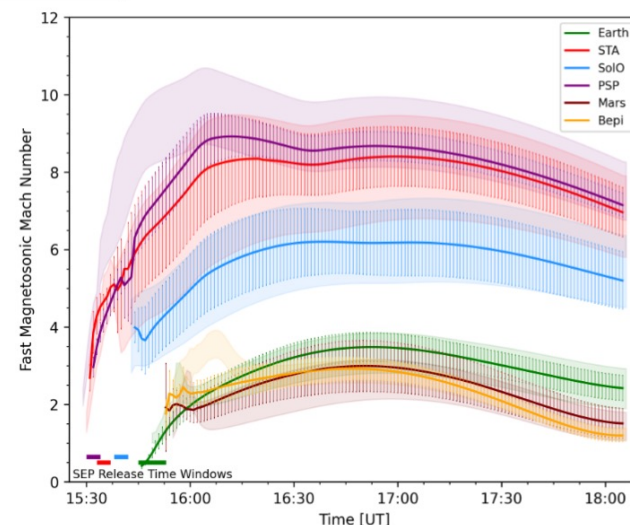
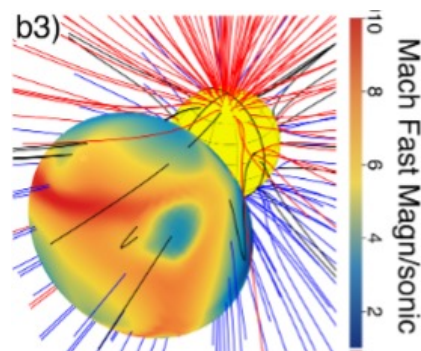
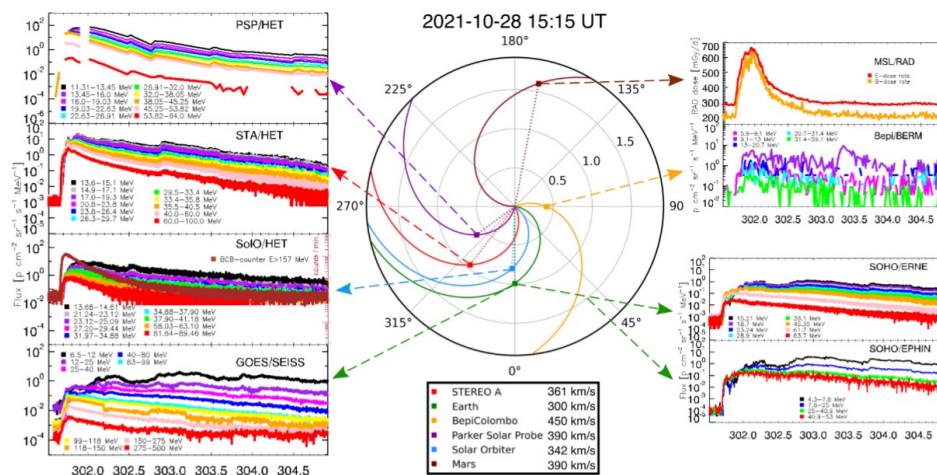






# Q2: ion acceleration mechanisms at shocks

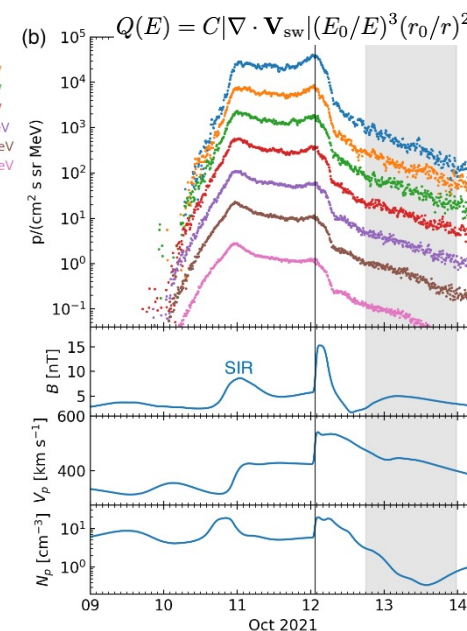
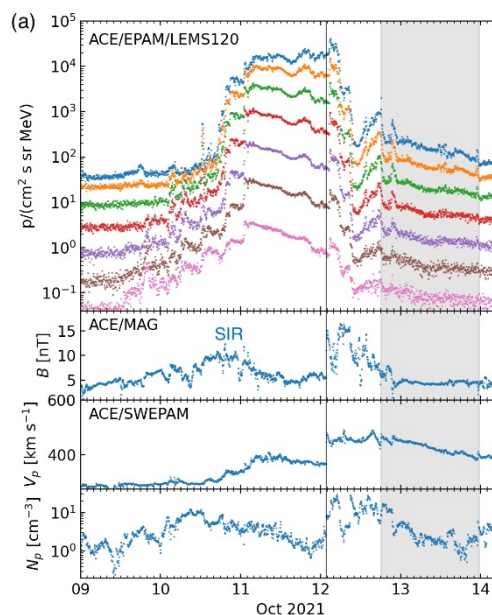
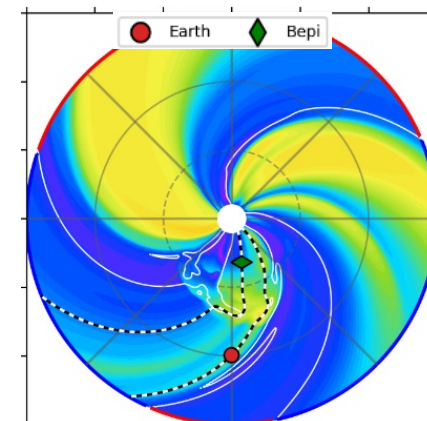
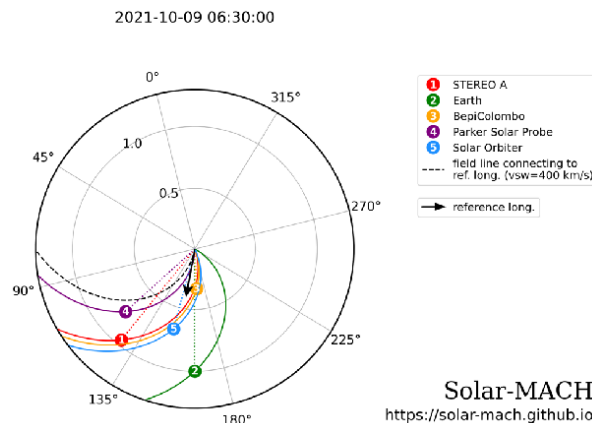
- Multi-S/C events of Nov 2020 and Apr 2021 support ion acceleration at shocks through timing analysis
- *Papaioannou et al. (2022, A&AL) and Kouloumvakos et al. (2023, A&A submitted):* The first GLE of SC 25 (29 Oct 2021)
  - proton release at the Sun consistent with the diffusive shock acceleration of deca- to hecto-MeV protons





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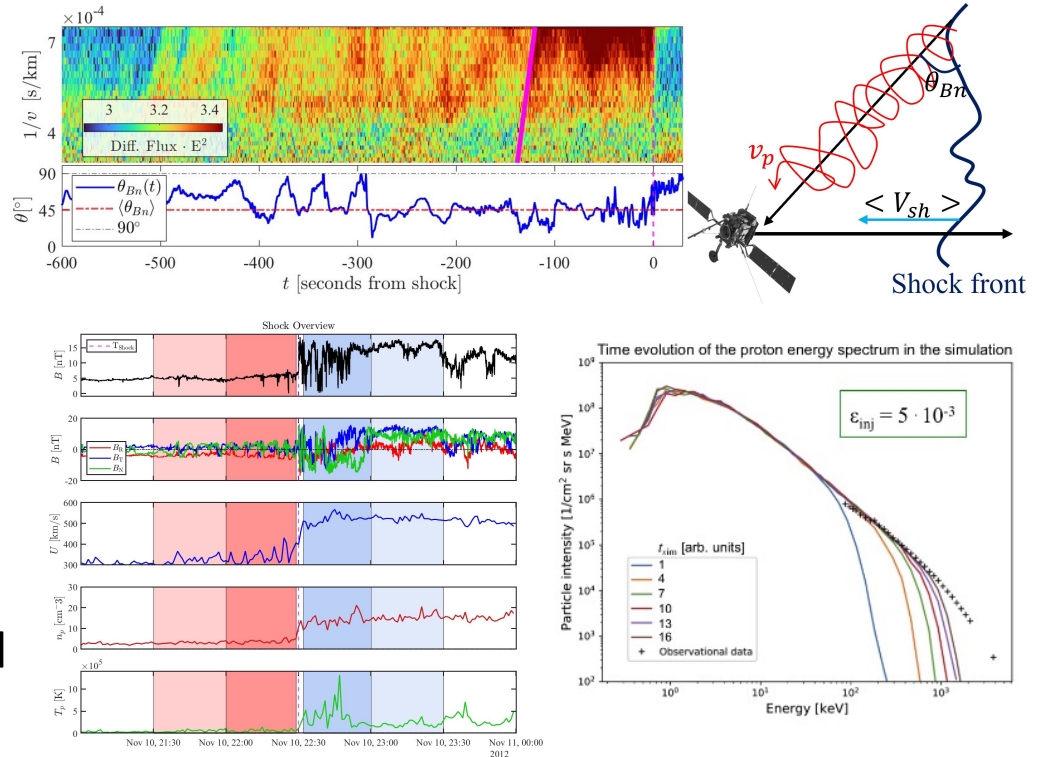
- *Lario et al. (2022: ApJ); Jebaraj et al. (2023, A&A, in press); Wijsen et al. (2023, ApJ, in press): The Oct 9, 2021, event*
    - Structured solar wind important for interplanetary shock acceleration
    - Particle injection at the shock proportional to the compression at the shock is able to fully explain the details of the time profiles
- Strong evidence for diffusive shock acceleration





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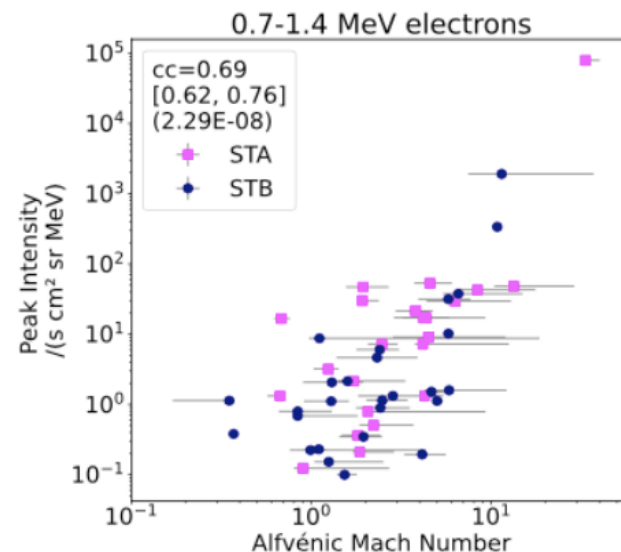
- Local vs. global structures have been assessed by
  - Trotta *et al.* (2023, *MNRAS*): shocklets in an interplanetary shock
  - Trotta *et al.* (2023: *PRL*, *submitted*): imprints of fine-structured shock in upstream particle intensities
  - Afanasiev *et al.* (2023: *A&A*, *submitted*): role of self-generated waves and time history
- Local structures seem to have a strong effect at suprathermal energies, but at higher energies, a more averaged shock structure dominates → to be confirmed with a larger sample



# Q3: role of shocks in electron acceleration



- *Dresing et al. (2022, ApJL)*
  - MeV electrons in fast-CME-related events are shock accelerated
  - Flares probably contribute at lower energies
- *Talebpour Sheshvan et al. (2023, A&A)*
  - MeV electrons in interplanetary shocks in fast shocks observed by STEREO A
  - Not common phenomenon at 1 AU
  - Analysis of inner heliospheric measurements will be important
- *Jebaraj et al. (2023, A&A, in press)*
  - October 9, 2021, event shows that MeV electrons have a prolonged injection at the shock
  - Prompt component probably associated with the flare
- Solid evidence on the shock origin of MeV electrons at least in large gradual events
- ~100-keV electrons have stronger (relative) flare contribution





# Technical objectives

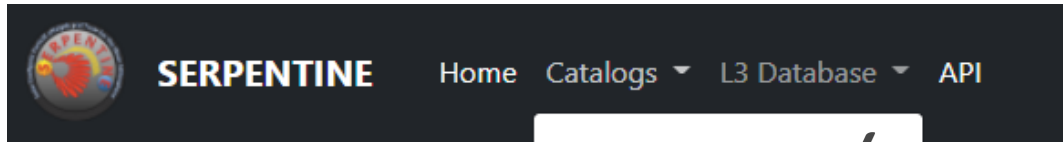
T1: **Produce and distribute catalogues** of single- and multi-S/C SEP events and in-situ shock events.

T2: **Provide an analysis platform** with the data and tools for advanced analysis along with visualization of the modeled heliospheric state.

T3: **Produce and deliver high-level and multi-instrument datasets** for energetic particles and the necessary ancillary data.



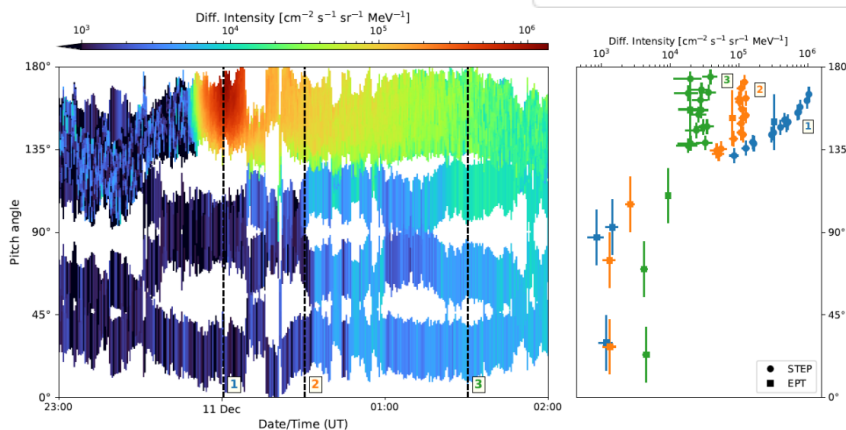
# Server for catalogues and L3 data products



Server at UAH  
operational since early  
2022:

[data.serpentine-h2020.eu](http://data.serpentine-h2020.eu)

- SEPs (Historical) ✓
- SEPs (Cycle 25) ✓
- Shocks (Historical) ✓
- Shocks (Cycle 25)
- SOON → CMEs and Coronal shocks



## Historical SEPs Catalog

Event Date and Time: Initial: 22-12-1974 00:00 Final: 21-01-1985 23:59

Select Spacecraft: ☒ Helios-A ☒ Helios-B

Advanced Filters: Solar Latitude: All (blank included) Solar Longitude: All (blank included) Footpoint Latitude: All (blank included) Footpoint Longitude: All (blank included)

Flare class: ☒ C ☒ M ☒ X

Onset Date and Time: Initial: Final: Rad. Distance: Min. value Max. value SW Speed: Min. value Max. value ESH Angle: Min. value Max. value

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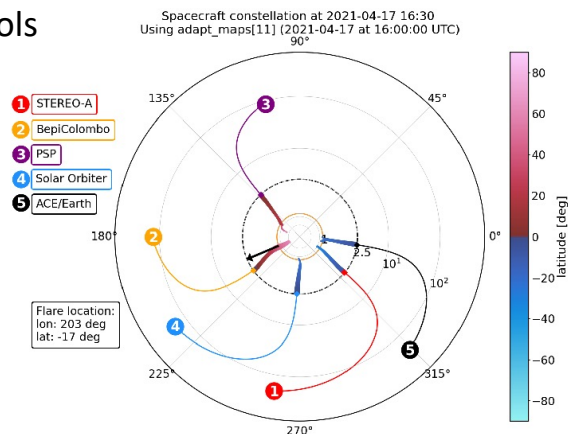
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2	He-A	25/12/1974	19:07	N04	W26	C7.5	0.97	480	355	S02	W44	25/12/1974	21:45	
3	He-A	27/07/1975			E110		0.86	570	164	S04	E160	28/07/1975	00:00	"???" "complex"
4	He-A	01/08/1975	00:42		E110	C2	0.83	370	164	S04	E142	01/08/1975	01:40	"very weak"
5	He-A	21/11/1975	06:10	S07	W20	M2	0.89	400	354	N03	W48	21/11/1975	08:00	
6	He-A	23/03/1976	08:37	S05	E90	X1	0.34	370	32	S05	W54	23/03/1976	10:25	"P"
7	He-A	28/03/1976	19:12	S07	E28	X1	0.31	420	60	S01	W78			"L, P"
8	He-A	30/04/1976	20:48	S09	W47	X2	0.65	420	159	N06	E164	01/05/1976	00:00	"LP"

First level-3 datasets coming soon



# Tools for data analysis

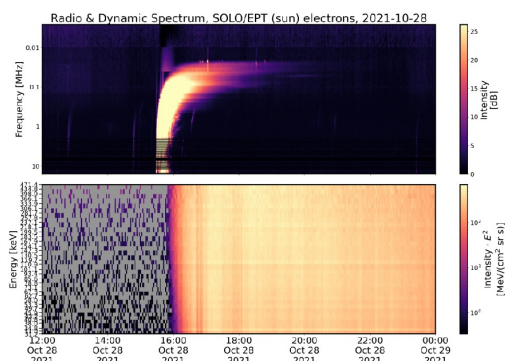
## Python tools



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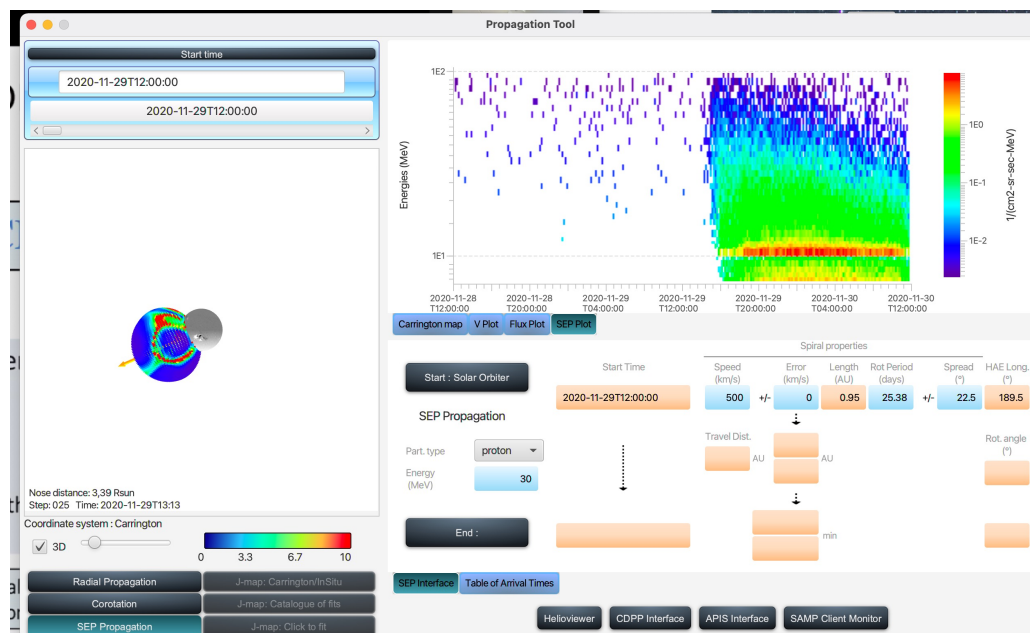
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Spacecraft: Solar Orbiter  
Sensor: EPT  
Viewing: sun  
Species: electrons  
Plot radio spectrum for: STEREO-A



Several tools being developed: SolarMACH, SEPPy,  
Tools hosted by UPS-IRAP

Jupyter Notebooks in GitHub and SERPENTINE Hub



Access the Python tools through: [serpentine-h2020.eu](https://serpentine-h2020.eu)

# Visit the SERPENTINE website



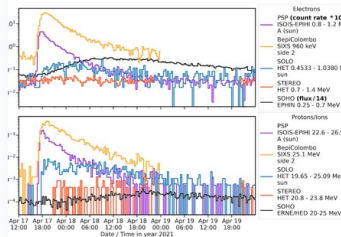
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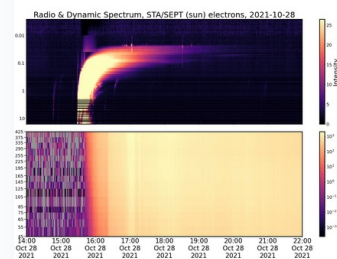


### SERPENTINE JupyterHub Server

One of the core objectives of the SERPENTINE project is to develop and disseminate tools for the advanced analysis and visualisation of heliospheric data. A number of tools have already been released!

Examples include the

### SERPENTINE Jupyter Notebook Tools



In research, usually

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First multi-spacecraft observations of shocklets at interplanetary shocks  
The SERPENTINE team organized a course on solar energetic particles



# Conclusions

- SERPENTINE project has delivered a number of science results and tools for the community
- Continues still one year, adding analysis results and tools, and improving the existing ones
- We are always open for collaboration!
- **We wish you all a very fruitful symposium!**