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## Prospects of searches for ultra-high energy photons

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### Abstract content

The observation of ultra-high energy (UHE) photons above 1 EeV would open a new window of cosmic-ray research with possible impact on astrophysics, particle and fundamental physics. The advent of new giant air shower experiments, particularly the Pierre Auger Observatory, offers a unique potential to search for such photons. Status and prospects of experimental photon searches are reported. Implications of the (non-)observation of UHE photons as well as the contribution of UHE photon searches to multimessenger observations of the universe are discussed.

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### Summary

### Reference

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