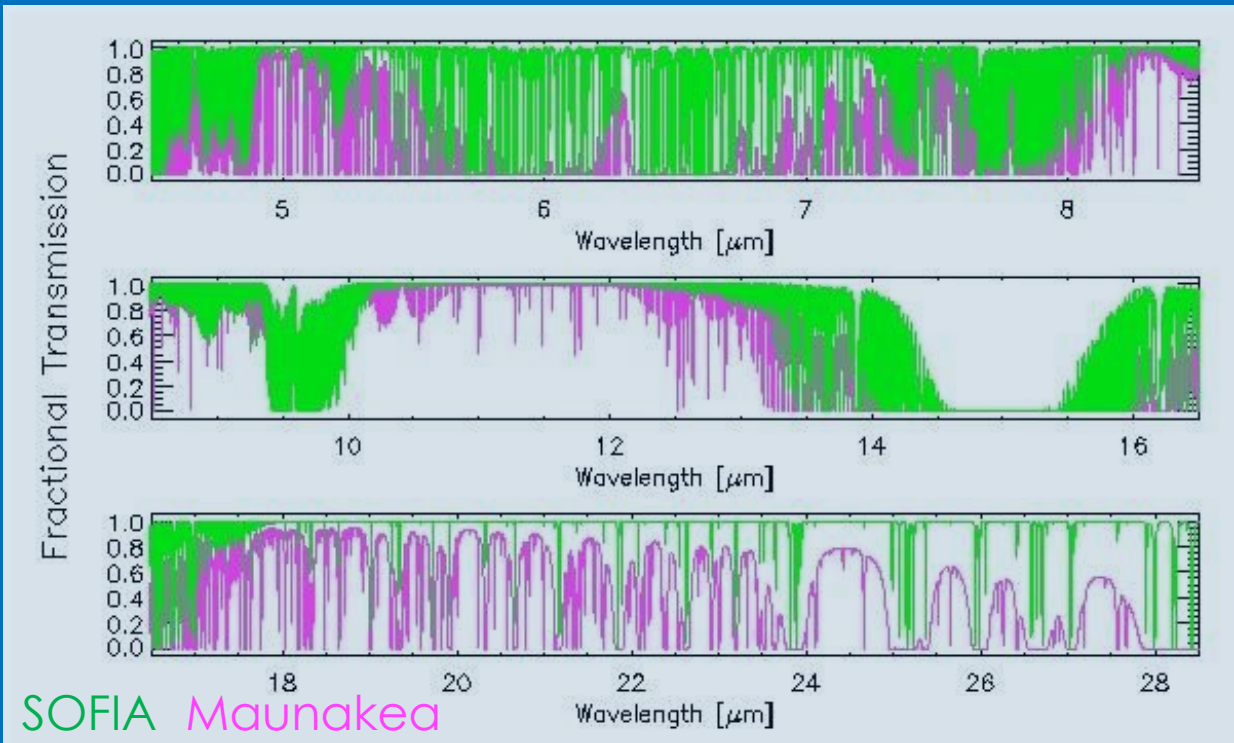
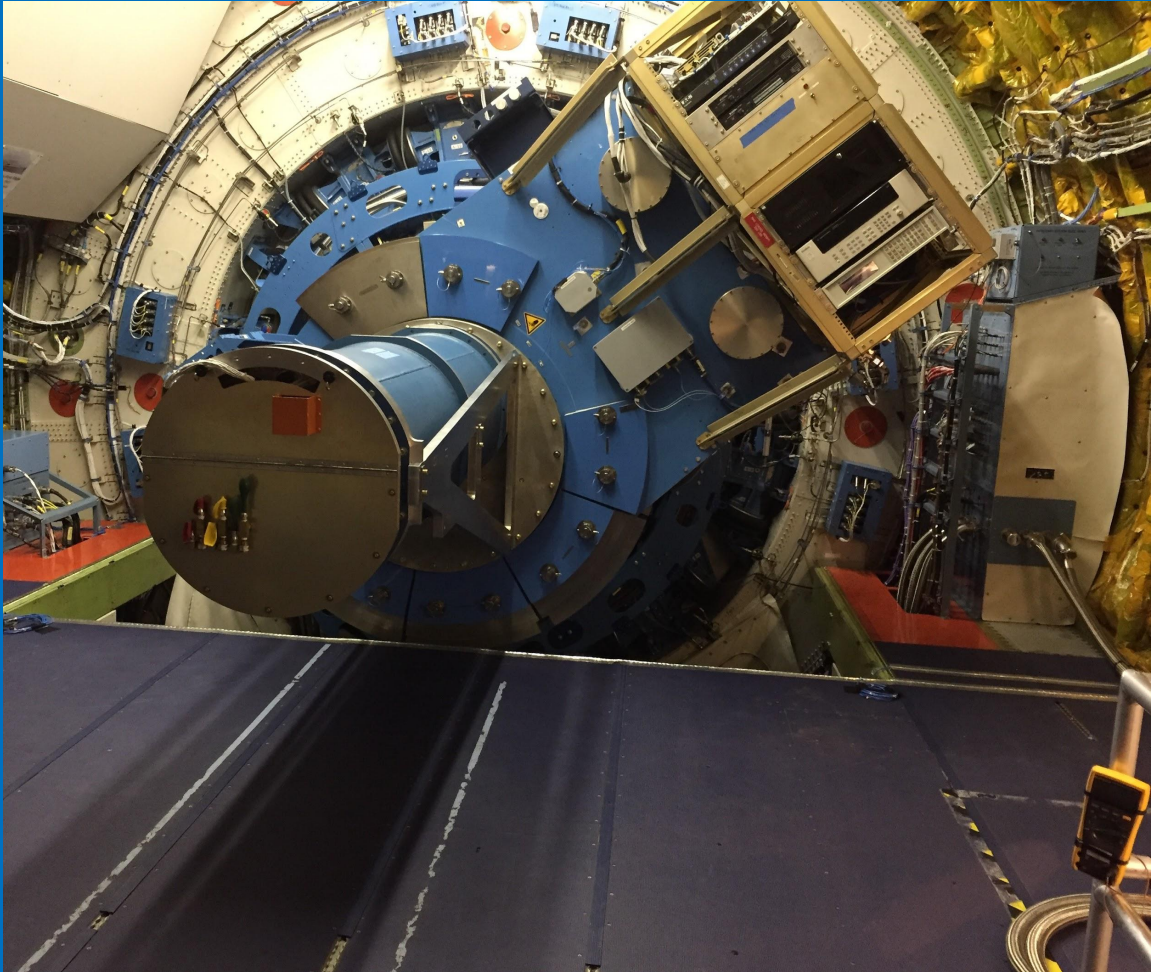


Southern Sources with EXES/SOFIA: A Community Chat



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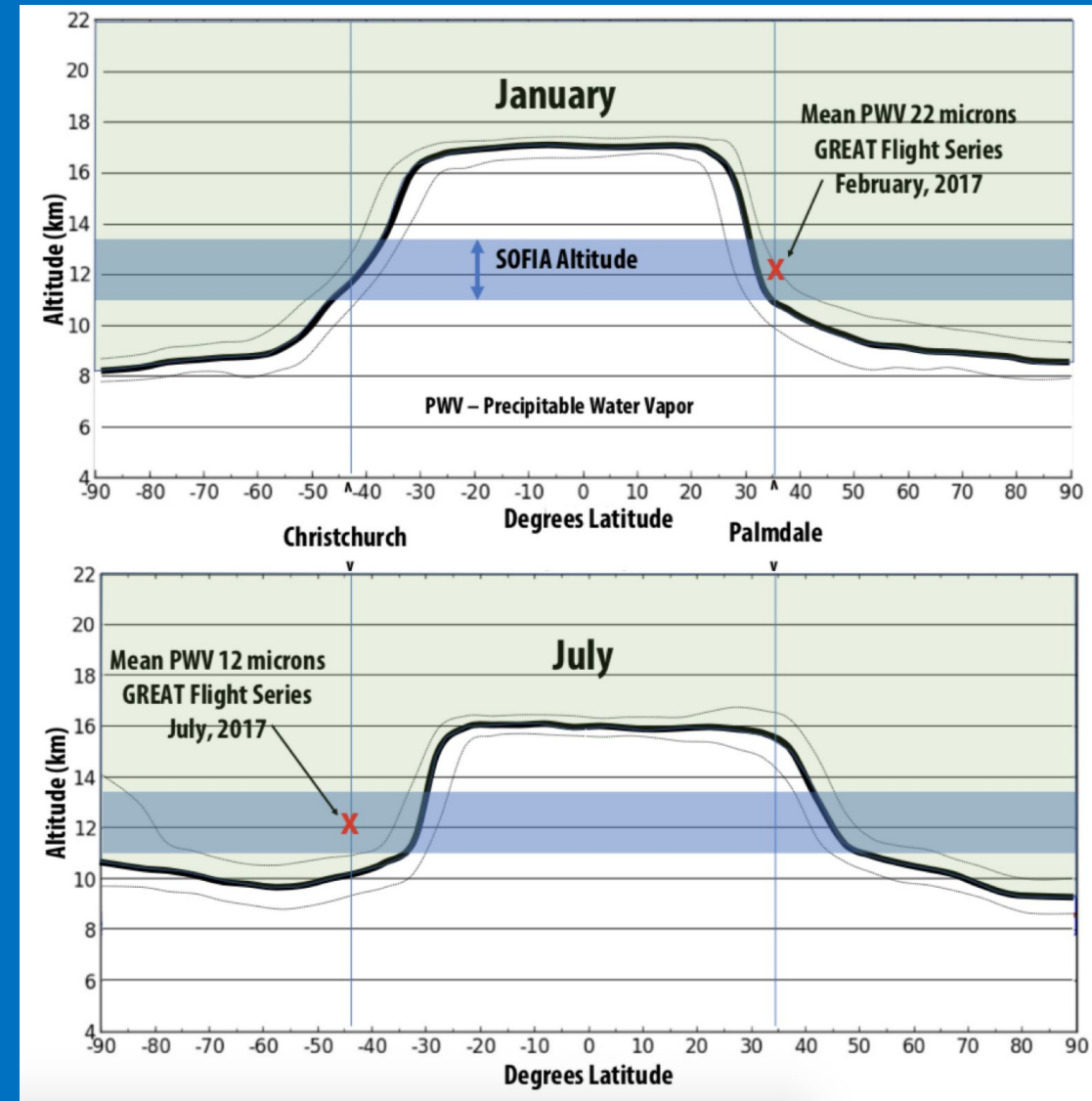
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Context

Context of this webinar

- Flights from the Southern Hemisphere can allow to access to sources with declination < -36 degrees, and often observe with much lower water vapor
 - enabling detection of fainter sources / transitions
- In previous (2 -- 9) proposal cycles, the demand for EXES Southern observations judged to be way too low for a Southern campaign [but that may be affected by self-selection, and pre-selection of instruments]
 - Only instrument that did not go to the South
- A Southern campaign on SOFIA needs some community coordination ahead of next/future Call for Proposals. If there is scientific value and interest, a campaign may happen

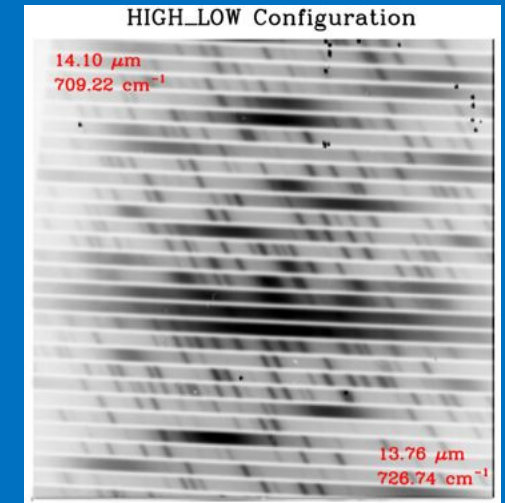
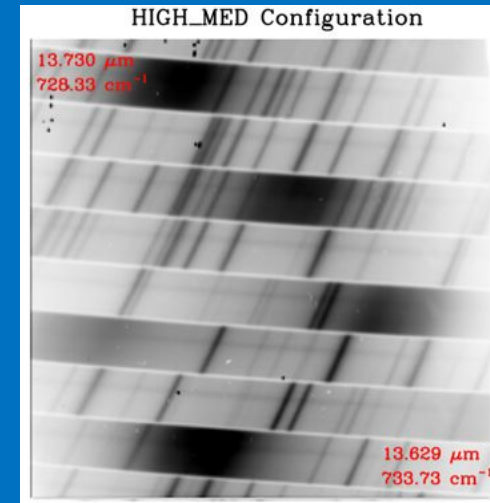


How to contribute to the process

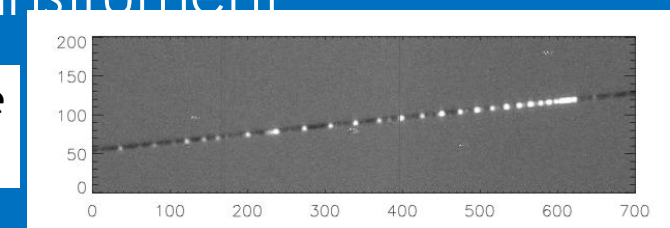
- Participating today! Feel free to unmute and ask questions at any time. Arielle will watch the time for us.
- Google doc
(https://docs.google.com/document/d/1YwMOyqT7pJC_JXjVon4tWKVixuS8doUVaTfoeYCJQr8/edit?usp=sharing)
 - email us if you want permission to edit
- Direct email to us - good if you want your idea kept more private
- EXES team will lead production of a document to be passed to the SUG and SOFIA leadership. We will welcome help.
- The focus will be on what science will be enabled by observing southern sources with EXES

EXES in a Nutshell

- Operates from 5 to 28.3 μm
- 1024 x 1024 detector
- High spectral resolution ($R = 60,000$ to $100,000$) using a 1m long grating
- Cross dispersed
 - lower resolution modes use just the cross disperser
 - $R \sim 10,000$ and $R \sim 3000$ depending on wavelength, mode and slit width
 - low resolution often results in too high a photon flux for the low background detector. Generally safe for $\lambda < \sim 7 \mu\text{m}$
- Wavelength coverage depends on wavelength, mode, and cross-disperser angle.
- EXES Exposure Time Calculator helps illustrate possible instrument configurations



MEDIUM mode
(pinhole)



EXES compared to other facilities

- JWST MIRI
 - same wavelength region (same type of detector)
 - Continuum sensitivity far beyond SOFIA/EXES
 - $R=3000$ (=EXES low)
 - much higher spatial resolution ($\sim 0.2''$ vs $2.5''$)
 - integral field
- ESO-VLT
 - CRIRES: $R=100,000$ for $1-5.5 \mu\text{m}$
 - VISIR: $R=30,000$ in $8-13 \mu\text{m}$ (best with narrow band filter near [NeII])

EXES Exposure Time Calculator (ETC)

- Exposure time calculator (ETC) helps illustrate options. Note that ETC has some simplifications and oddities so we recommend working with EXES team for proposals and observing configurations.
- Current URL is <http://iraastro.physics.ucdavis.edu/exes/etc/>
 - it will be moving to a USRA server before Cycle 10.
- User enters information on first two pages
- Final page summarizes entries and provides time estimate for a given S/N
- Give quick example here. Feel free to talk to us later as needed.

EXES ETC example (page 1)

- Observing H₂O absorption out of ground state

Welcome to the SOFIA - EXES Exposure Time Calculator

VERY IMPORTANT: For SOFIA proposals, enter the **CLOCK** time, not the integration time, as overheads depend on observing details and are captured in the ETC clock time.

Step 1

Enter either the rest-frame wavelength OR the rest-frame wavenumber to be observed: [4.5 - 28.5 micron, or 350 - 2220 cm⁻¹]

Check here to apply a Doppler shift: and enter the velocity: [km/s, negative if the source is approaching]

Note that observations of features near strong telluric features can change dramatically with Earth's orbital motion. One available tool is (link should open new window or tab) [GBT's VLSR Calculator](#). To use, add the source VLSR correction calculated for a given date.

Step 2

Next, select the instrument mode from the options below:

- Cross-dispersed High-Medium
- Cross-dispersed High-Low
- Single-order Long Slit Medium
- Single-order Long Slit Low

Click the submit button to continue on to the next step:

[Click here for the ETC user manual & documentation.](#)

Step 1: enter wavelength or wavenumber at center

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EXES ETC example (page 2)

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Step 4 - Select a slit width

Slit Width (arcsec)	Ext. Source Aperture (arcsec ²)	R 6th order	R 7th order	R 8th order	R 9th order
1.44	3.6	112000	112000	112000	112000
1.89	4.71	85590	85590	85590	85590
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	2.43	66667	66667	66667	66667
3.23	8.07	50000	50000	50000	50000

Note: This table lists the available slit widths (in arcseconds) and the corresponding resolving power for each width/order combination.

Step 6 - Enter the desired S/N per Nyquist sampled resolution element and the source properties

Enter the desired signal to noise ratio: 10

Note: The S/N ratio entered here is the target S/N within a Nyquist-sampled resolution element centered on the target wavelength. As the slit is oversampled by the detector, this assumes binning to 2 effective pixels per slit width.

Source Type	Source flux/surface brightness
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Point Source	10 [Jy]
<input type="radio"/> Extended Object	[Jy/arcsec ²]

Step 5 - Choose a set of atmospheric conditions

Conditions

- Altitude 39,000 ft , elevation angle 45 degrees
- Altitude 41,000 ft; elevation angle 45 degrees
- Altitude 43,000 ft; elevation angle 45 degrees
- No atmosphere

Note: These are representative atmospheres. The delivered elevation angle and water vapor may vary.

Step 7 - Select a Pointing Mode

Pointing Mode

- Nodding mode (on- or off-slit)
- Mapping Mode

Enter the number of map points:

Note: For mapping mode, pointings will be offset by half the slit width and the final S/N will be binned by image FWHM. Be sure to check the slit length and width from steps 3 & 4 when determining the number of mapping points.

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EXES ETC example (page 3 - ERROR)

Instrument Setup Summary

Instrument mode:	Cross-dispersed High-Medium
Observed wavelength:	6.11633 micron
Rest-frame wavelength:	6.11633 micron
Observed wavenumber:	1634.97 cm^{-1}
Rest-frame wavenumber:	1634.97 cm^{-1}
Doppler velocity:	0 km/s
Observing order:	9
Grating angle:	56.128 degrees
Resolving power:	66667
Minimum wavelength:	6.09274 micron
Maximum wavelength:	6.1401 micron
Minimum wavenumber:	1628.64 cm^{-1}
Maximum wavenumber:	1641.3 cm^{-1}
Slit length:	10.02 arcseconds
Slit width:	2.43 arcseconds
Pointing Mode:	Nodding Off-slit
SOFIA Image Quality:	2.5 arcseconds (FWHM)
Detector Shift:	0 pixels

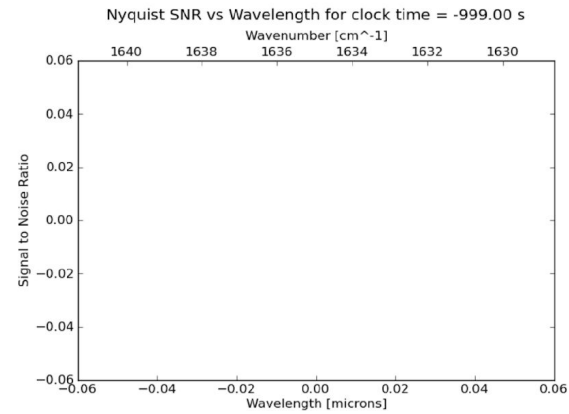
Observation Summary

Signal to noise ratio: (binned to 2 pixels per spectral resolution element)	10
Source type:	Point source
Source flux:	10 Jy
Atmosphere:	43,000 ft altitude, 45 degrees elevation angle

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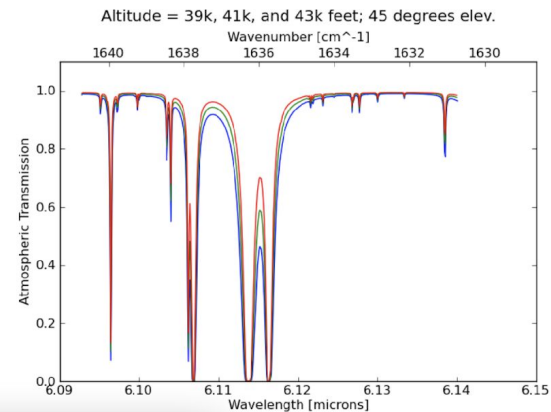
Exposure Time Calculation

[Click here for a text file of SNR and transmission vs. wavelength/wavenumber data](#)



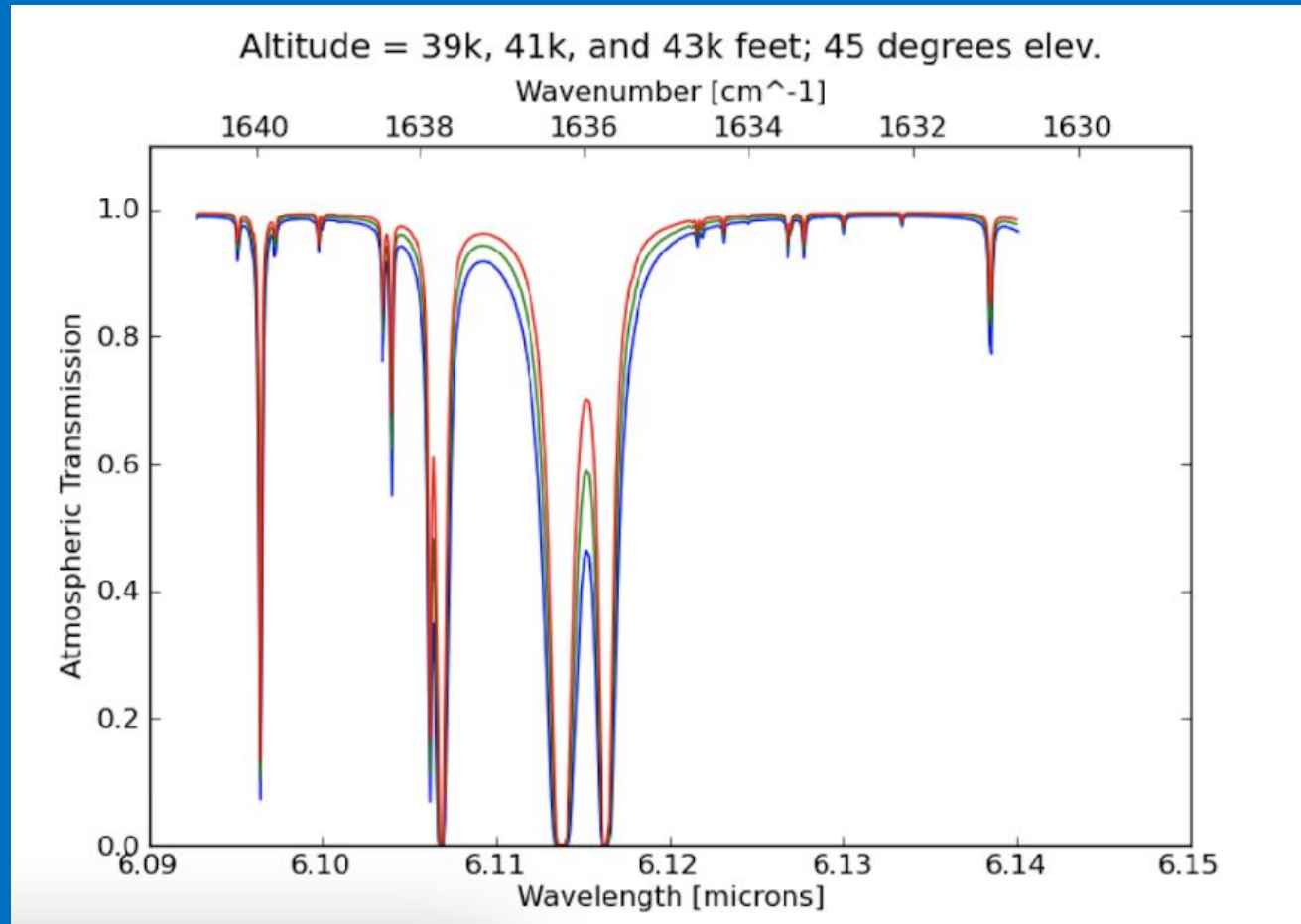
SNR vs Wavelength
plot is blank

Clock time is -999



Error caused because we are
at strong atmospheric line

EXES ETC example (page 3 - Atmosphere)



EXES ETC example (with 35 km/s redshift)

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Click the submit button to continue on to the next step:

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Step 1: enter wavelength or wavenumber at center

observed: [4.5 -
 [km/s, negative if the source is

Step 1a: add Doppler shift

Check here to apply a Doppler shift: and enter the velocity:

Step 2: Choose mode

Next, select the instrument mode from the options be

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EXES ETC example (pg 3 with redshift)

Instrument Setup Summary

Instrument mode:	Cross-dispersed High-Medium
Observed wavelength:	6.11704 micron
Rest-frame wavelength:	6.11633 micron
Observed wavenumber:	1634.78 cm ⁻¹
Rest-frame wavenumber:	1634.97 cm ⁻¹
Doppler velocity:	35 km/s
Observing order:	9
Grating angle:	56.138 degrees
Resolving power:	66667
Minimum wavelength:	6.09346 micron
Maximum wavelength:	6.14081 micron
Minimum wavenumber:	1628.45 cm ⁻¹
Maximum wavenumber:	1641.1 cm ⁻¹
Slit length:	10.03 arcseconds
Slit width:	2.43 arcseconds
Pointing Mode:	Nodding Off-slit
SOFIA Image Quality:	2.5 arcseconds (FWHM)
Detector Shift:	0 pixels

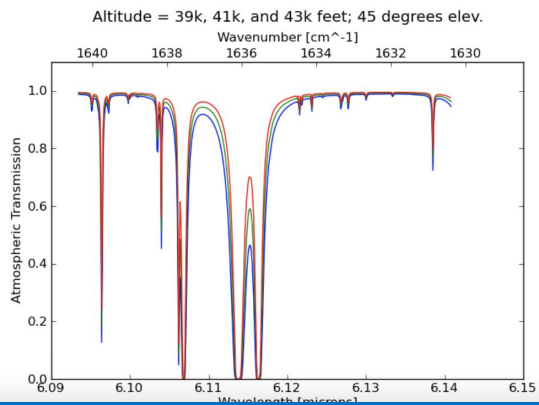
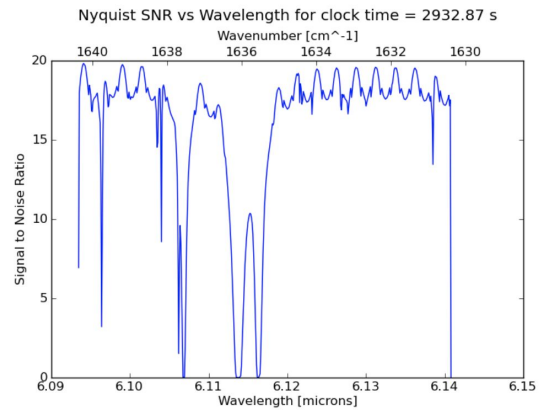
Observation Summary

Signal to noise ratio: (binned to 2 pixels per spectral resolution element)	10
Source type:	Point source
Source flux:	10 Jy
Atmosphere:	43,000 ft altitude, 45 degrees elevation angle

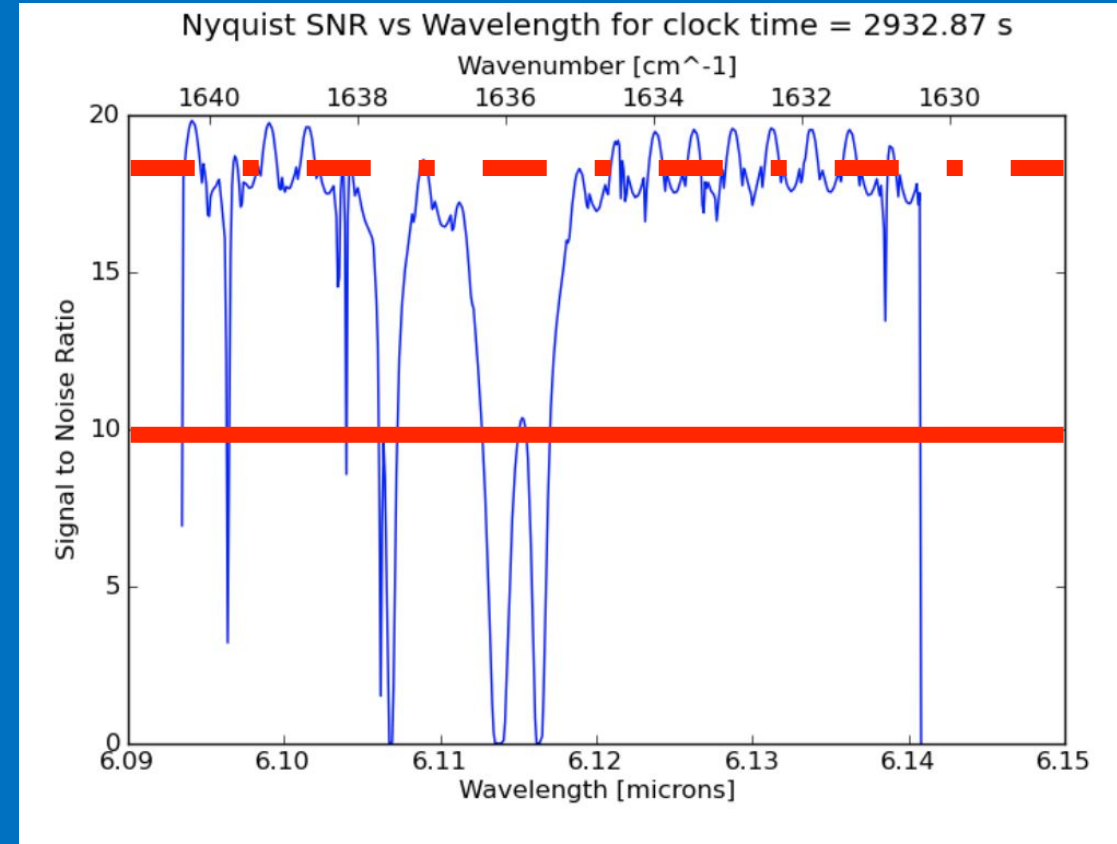
Exposure Time Calculation

EXES Clock time:	2932.87 seconds	Integration efficiency:	0.25
Source count rate (e-/s):	76	Background count rate (e-/s):	20744

[Click here for a text file of SNR and transmission vs. wavelength/wavenumber data](#)



Clock time = 2932.87 s

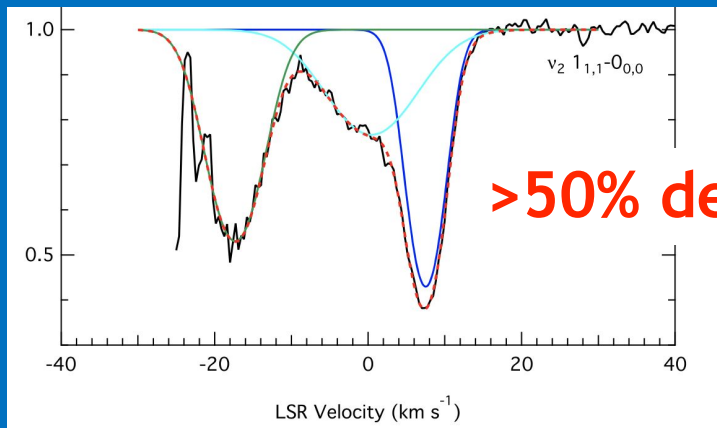


Galactic Center

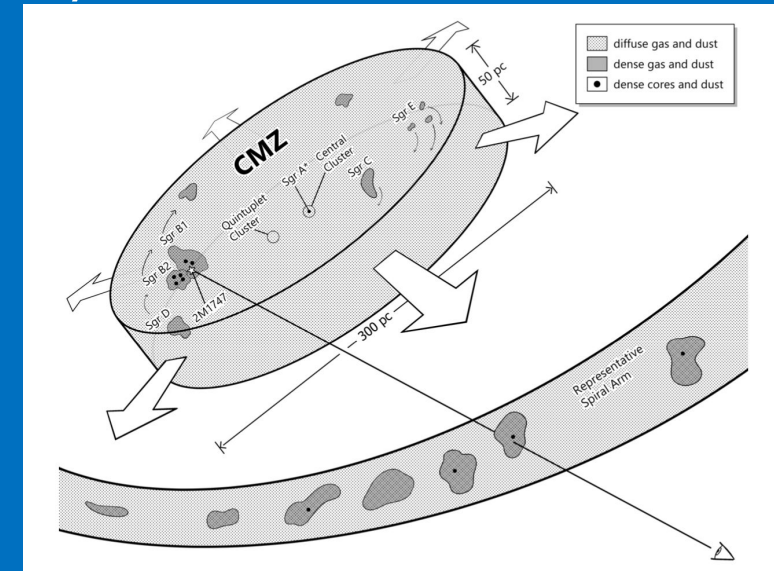
Absorption Lines in the ISM

Molecular absorption toward GC (Tielens)

- Use background continuum source to probe molecules along line of sight (Geballe et al 2021 for H_3^+ - arXiv:2103.06514)
- Due to likely time required, target particular lines
 - H_2O , CH_4 , C_2H_2 , HCN , HNC , SO_2
- For very cold gas, H_2O absorption out of ground state
 - Example: BN (Indriolo et al 2018)

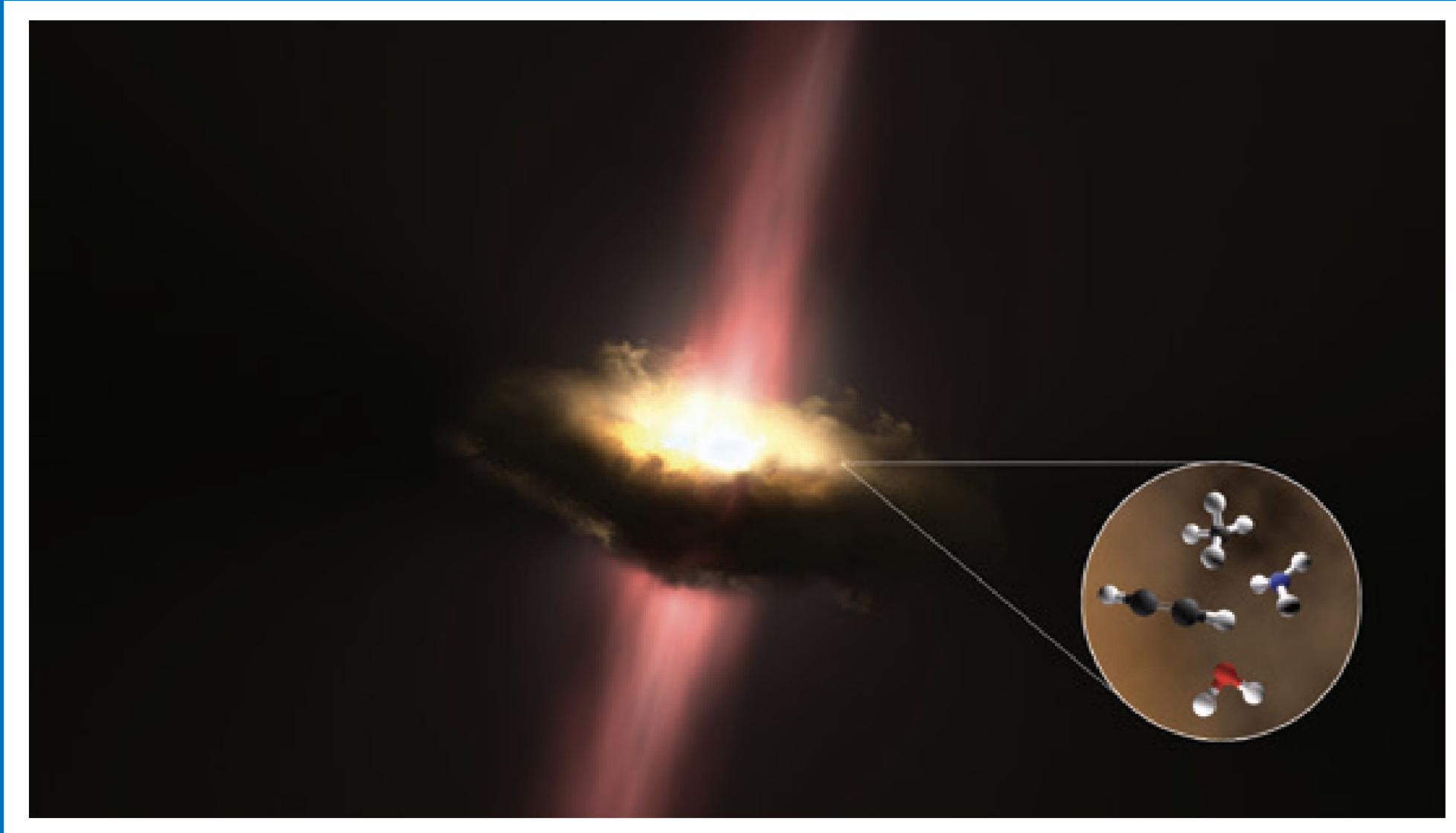


With proper Doppler shift, even 10 Jy source would be possible with 3000s



Protostars and Hot Cores

Protostars Part 1 – absorption lines toward Massive YSOs

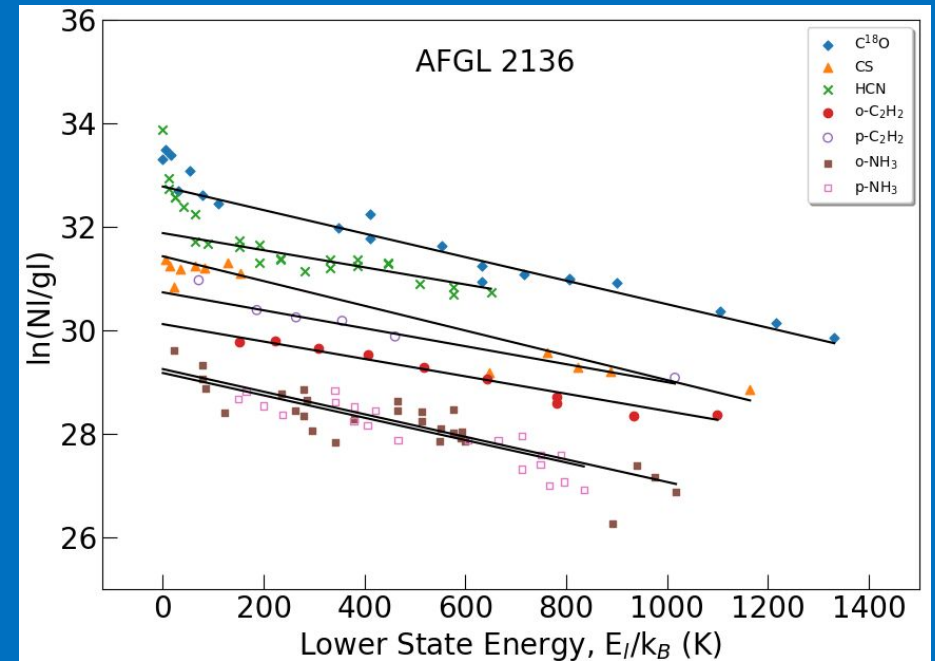


Case for the South: Diversity of Massive YSO disks

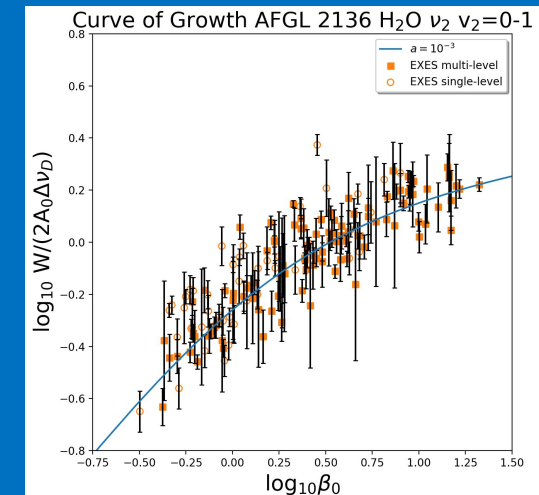
(on behalf of Xander Tielens)

- 5.3-8 μm , $R=60000$ absorption line surveys probing the chemistry, kinematics and structure of HMYSO disks.
- Completed for AFGL 2136 & AFGL 2591
- Molecule networks and disk chemistry not directly probed by submm
- The C.O.G of 100s of H₂O lines assessed with stellar atmosphere theory gives dT/dz – and the $M\text{-dot}$ at the midplane
- What is the impact of $M\text{-dot}$, evolutionary age, disk inclination, radiation environment, binarity?

Need absolute source numbers!



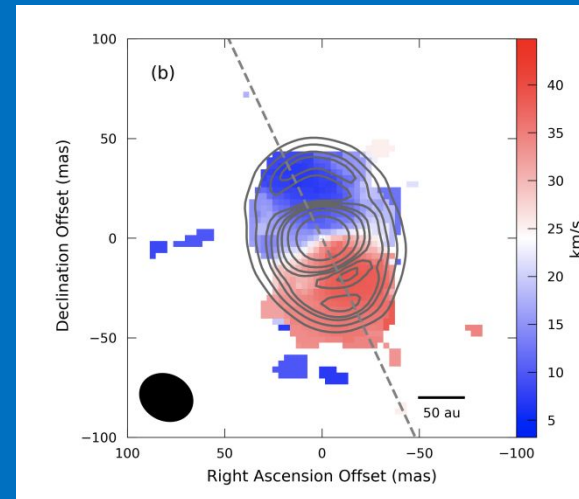
Barr et al 2020



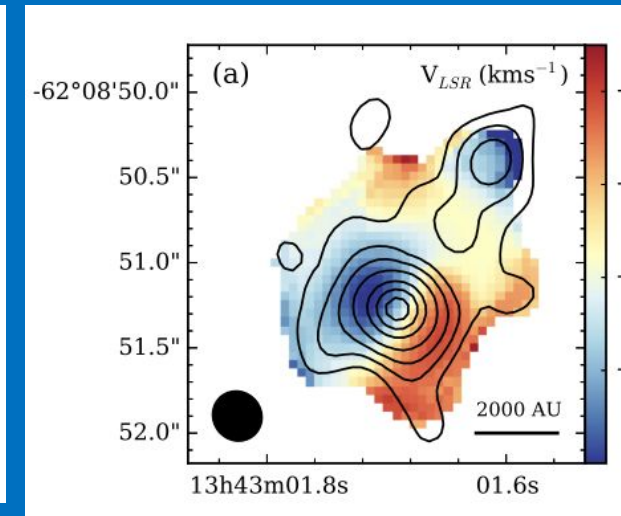
Barr et al 2021 (submitted)

Case for the South: Diversity of Massive YSO disks

- 5-8um took 16 grating settings and about 10-15 hrs each to complete (it's faster now..)
- Targets need to be about 100 Jy for practical survey speed
- 5-ish good ones above dec -30 deg
- Another 3 good ones in the South, < -30 deg
- Showcase source, AFGL 4176, dec = -62



AFGL 2136 IRS 1 (North)
Maud et al. 2019

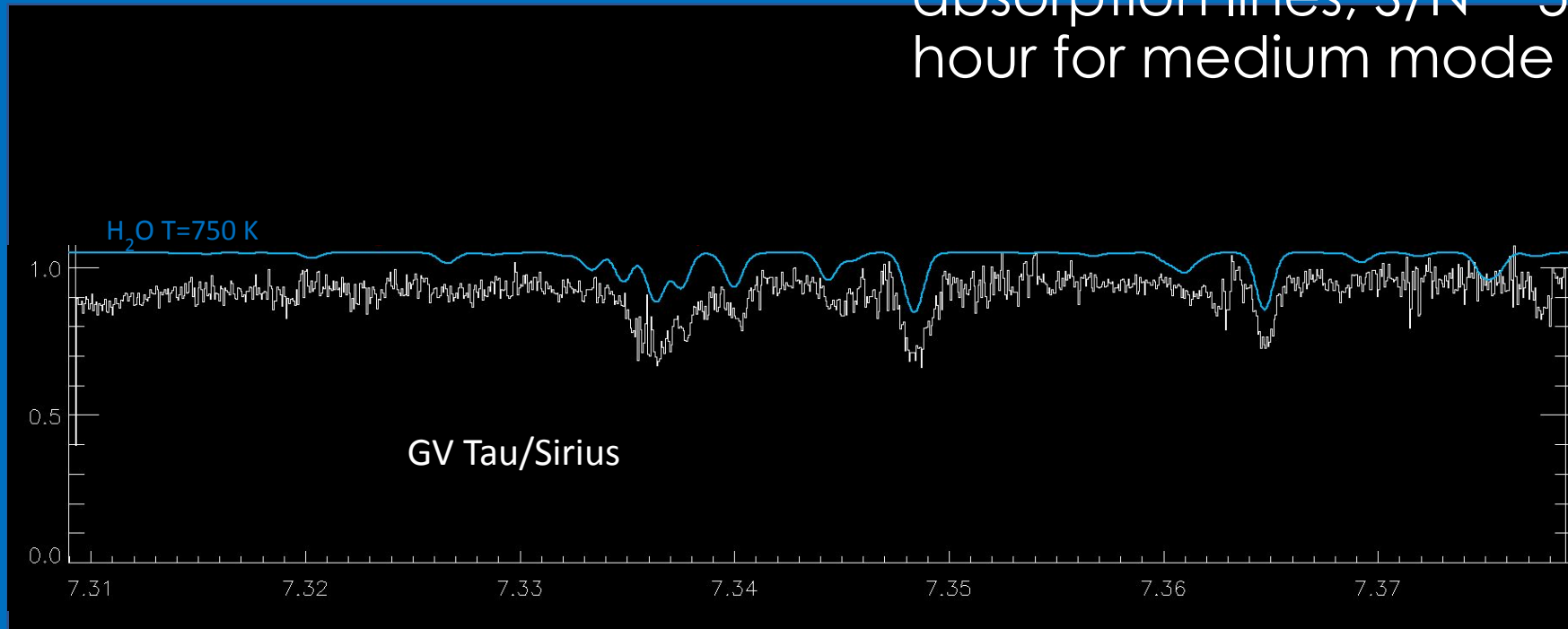


AFGL 4176 (South)
Johnston et al. 2015

- ✓ ISO/SWS shows warm gas phase absorption
- ✓ Flux 150-300 Jy
- ✓ ALMA sees a disk in Keplerian rotation

Protostars Part 2– Can EXES do low mass protostars?

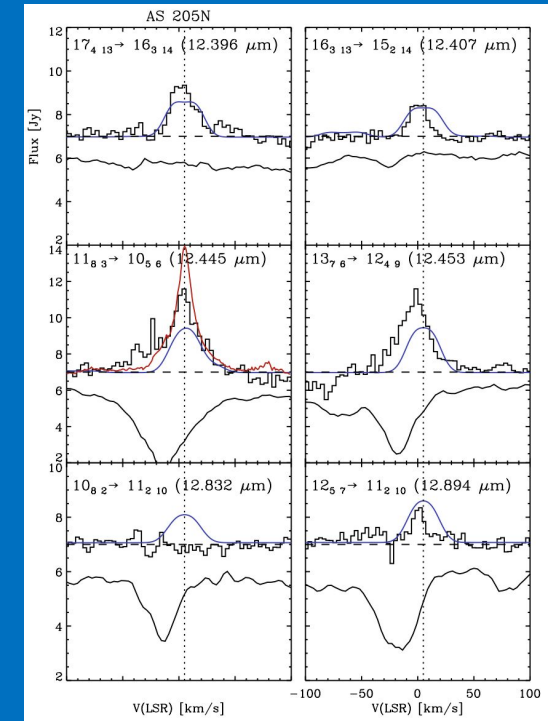
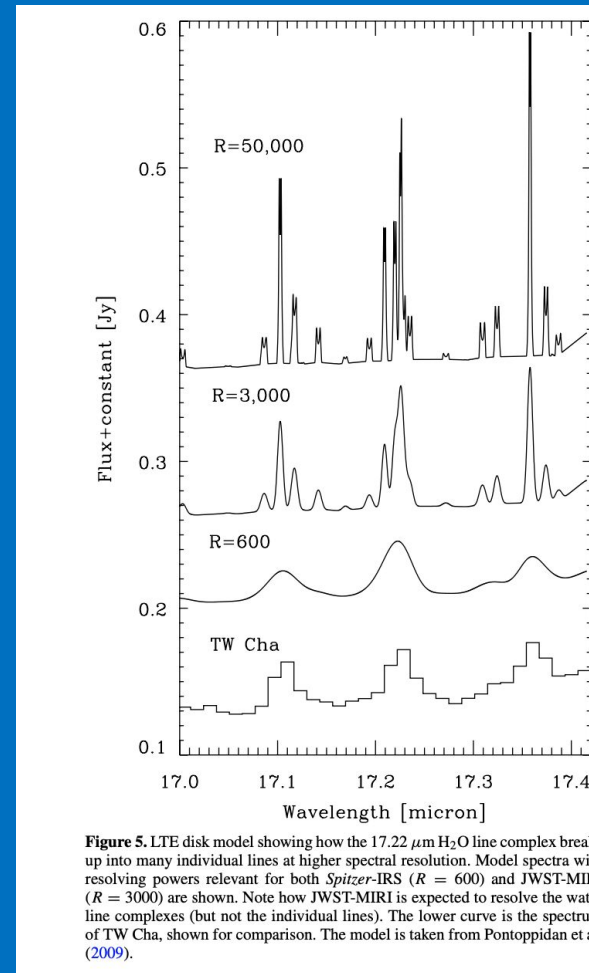
- Low Mass YSOs are faint by EXES standards
- Programs GV Tau (8 Jy) (Carr et al, in prep), *MEDIUM Resolution*, ~ 23 km/s
- 09_0197, 09_0003 will also target brighter TTs and FU Ors, in medium res mode.
- Need > 2 Jy continuum for absorption lines, S/N ~ 50 , in an hour for medium mode



GV Tau / Sirius, Program 05_0097

Or, use the EXES resolution advantage on emission lines

- T-Tauris in the MIR usually have emission lines
- Few T-Tauris have resolved MIR molecular emission line
- Options from the ground very limited, 12um

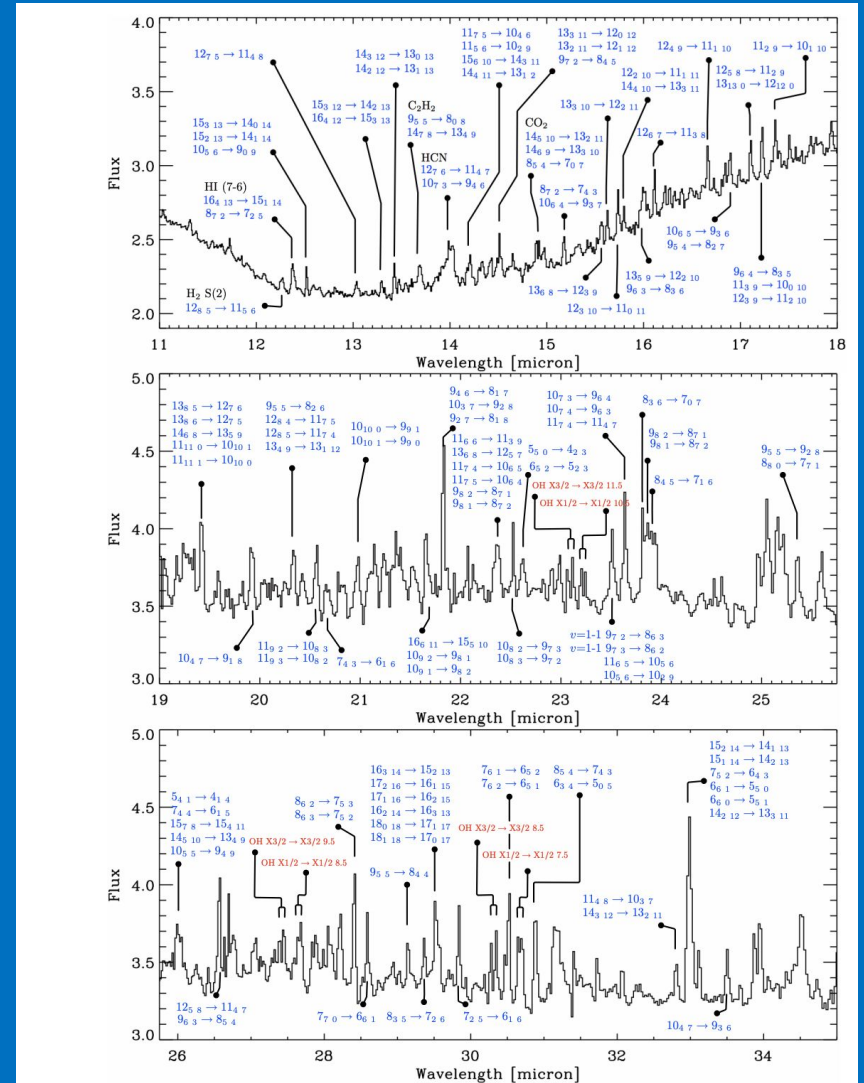


Pontoppidan et al. 2010b

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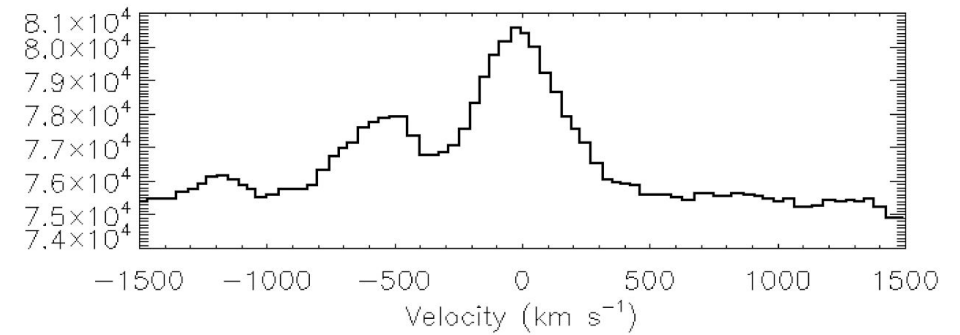
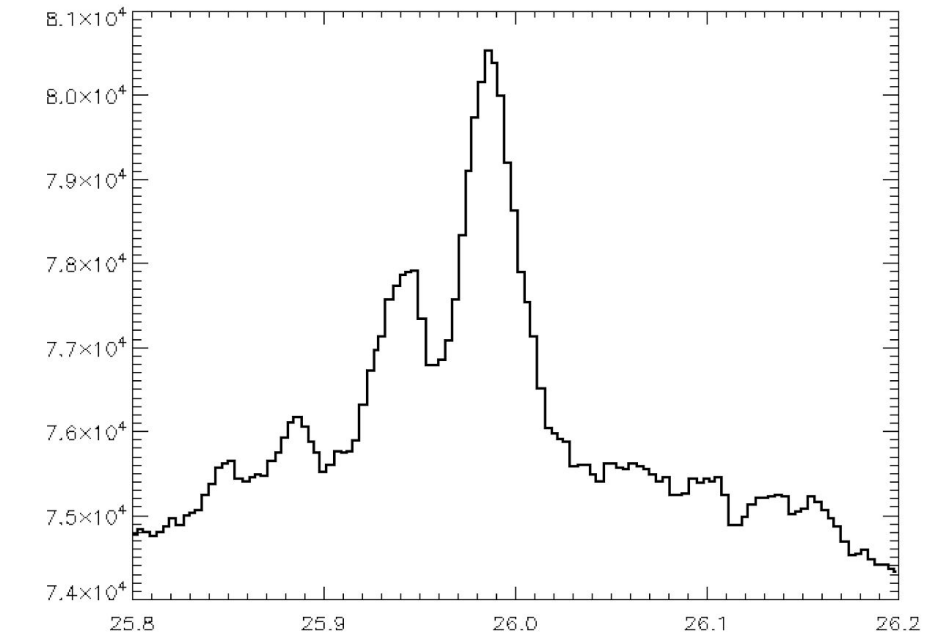
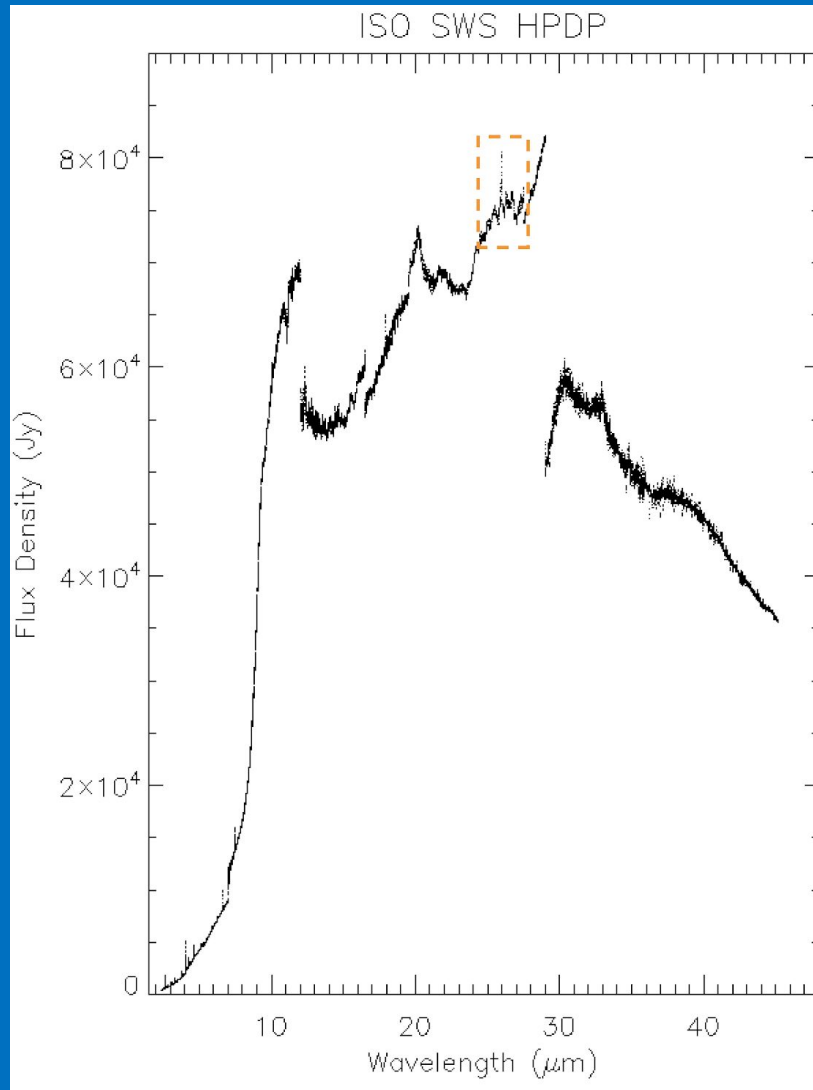
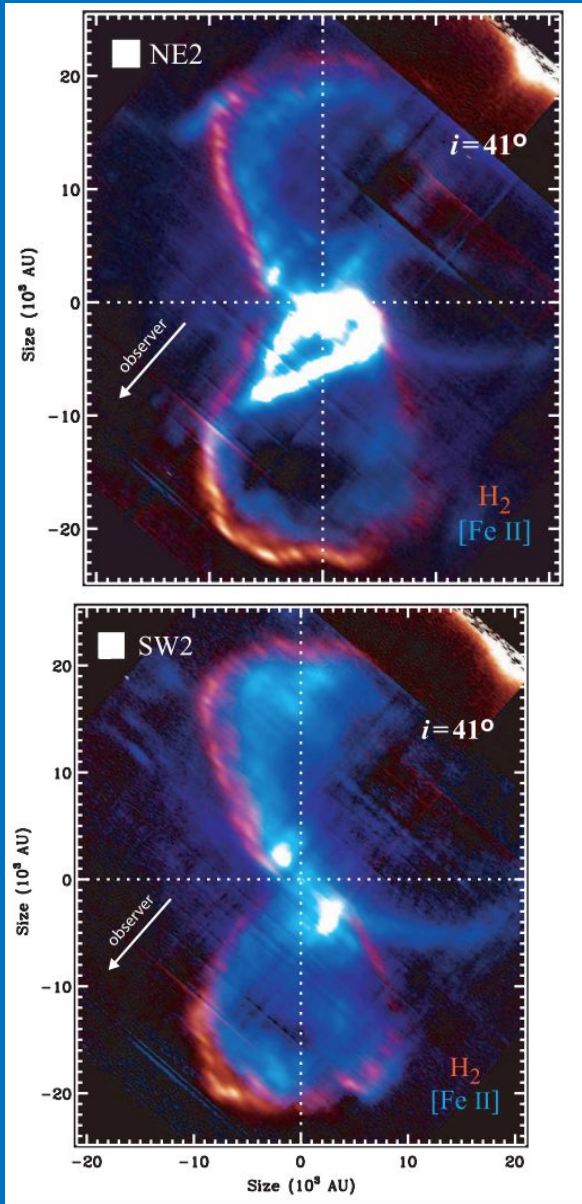
Or, use the EXES resolution advantage on emission lines

- Line peaks to EXES (R=50000) will be a factor of $[(500 \text{ km/s}) / \text{FWHM}_{\text{line}}]$ larger.
- Practical observing times for line peaks with $>5\text{-}10 \text{ Jy}$ (S/N ~ 10 , a few hours)



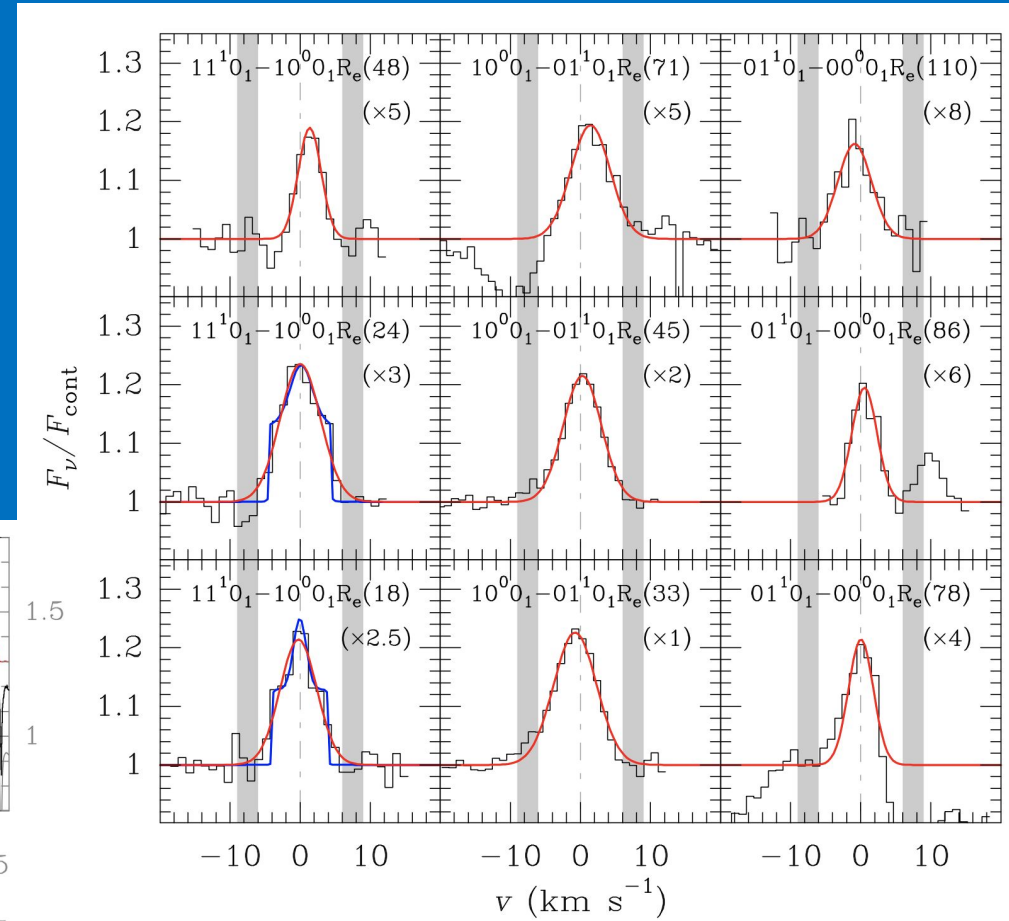
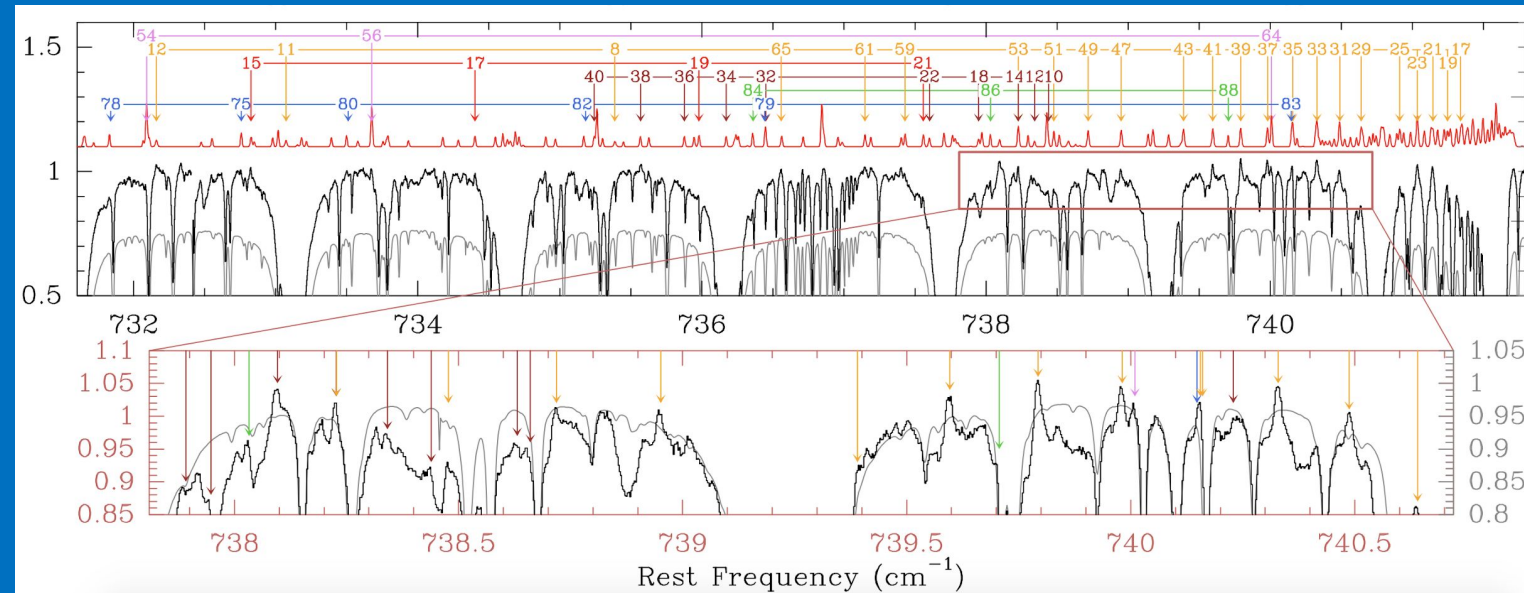
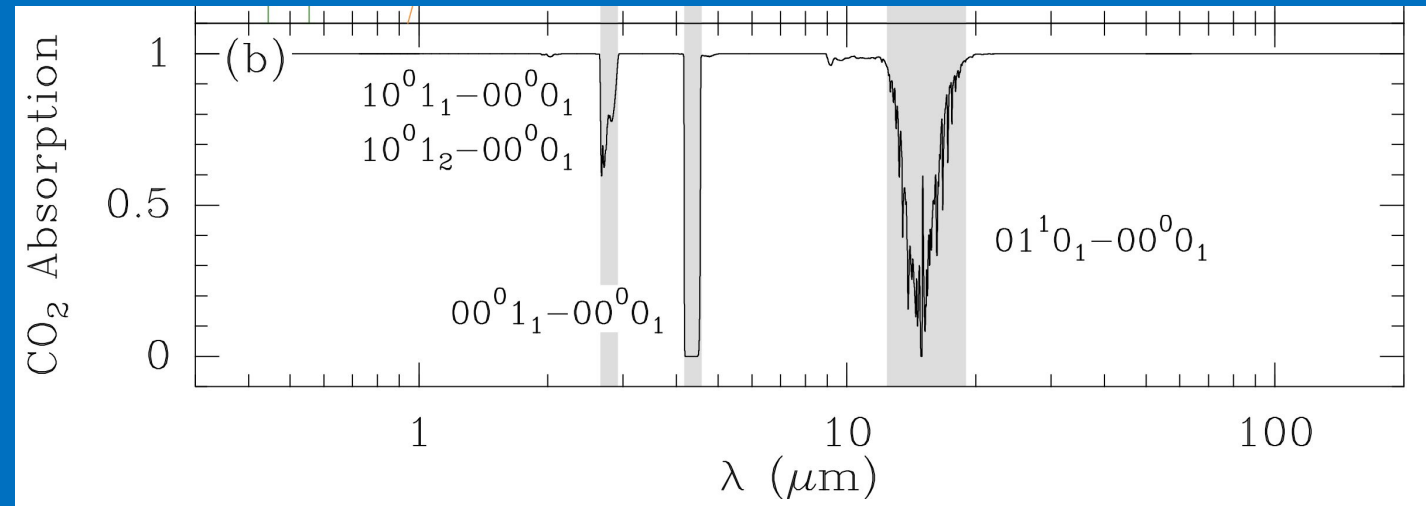
Homunculus Nebula/eta Carinae

Tracing [Fe II] Emission in the Mid-IR with EXES



Evolved Stars

Fonfría et al. (2020, A&A, 643, L15)



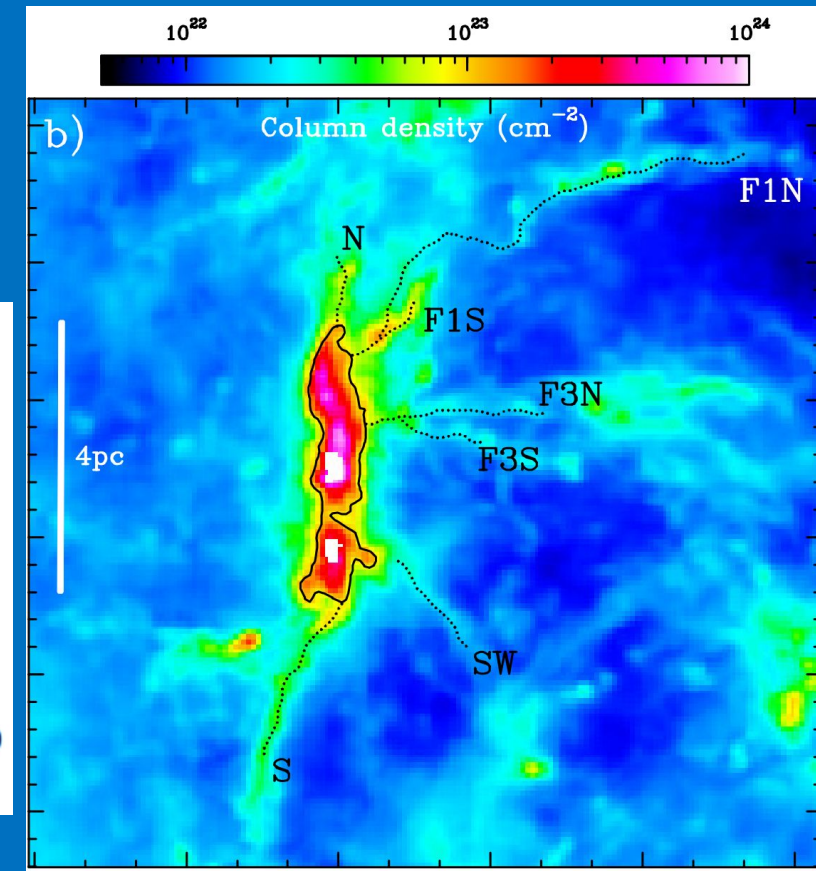
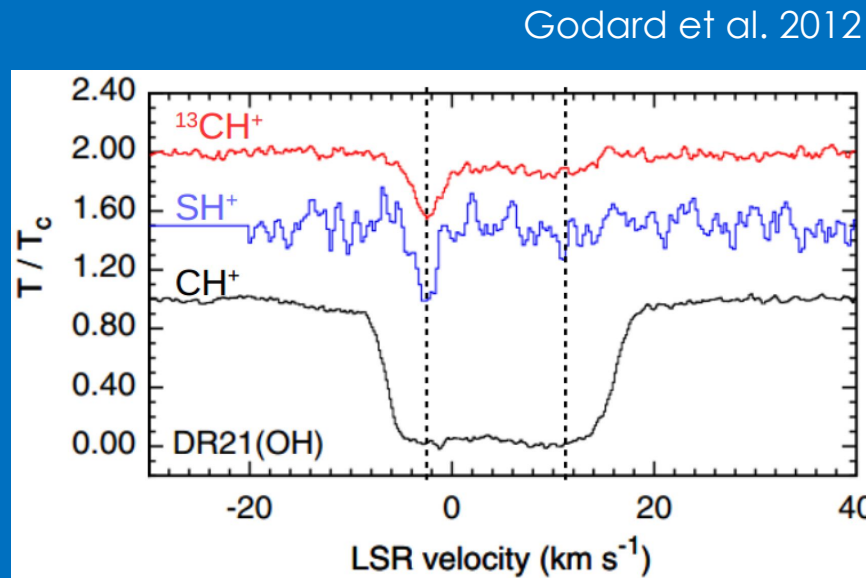
Potential Southern Targets and Science with EXES

- AGB Stars
 - R Dor (M-type; O-rich), RAFGL 4211 (C-type), π^1 Gru (S-type)
- Spectral type M Stars (RGB, AGB, RSG stars)
 - γ Cru, 2 Cen, NU Pav
- Surveys and/or targeted molecules
 - e.g. 02_0004+05_0073, 06_0056, 06_0144, 09_0227, 09_0233
- Similar to protostars and hot cores: increased diversity of sources leads to better models

Shocks & PDRs

Observing H_2 0-0S(1) towards the DR21 ridge

- The DR21 ridge (located in Cygnus-X) is one of the most active high-mass star forming regions within 2 kpc.
- Several indications that a cloud-cloud collision formed the DR21 ridge. (Dickel et al. 1978, Dobashi et al. 2019, Bonne et al. in prep.)
- Such collisions predict the presence of shocks.
- Herschel CH^+ absorption indicates the presence of shocks in the region.
- EXES should be able to detect and spectrally resolve the heating from the shock with H_2 0-0S(1) (e.g. Draine et al. 1983; Lesaffre et al. 2013)



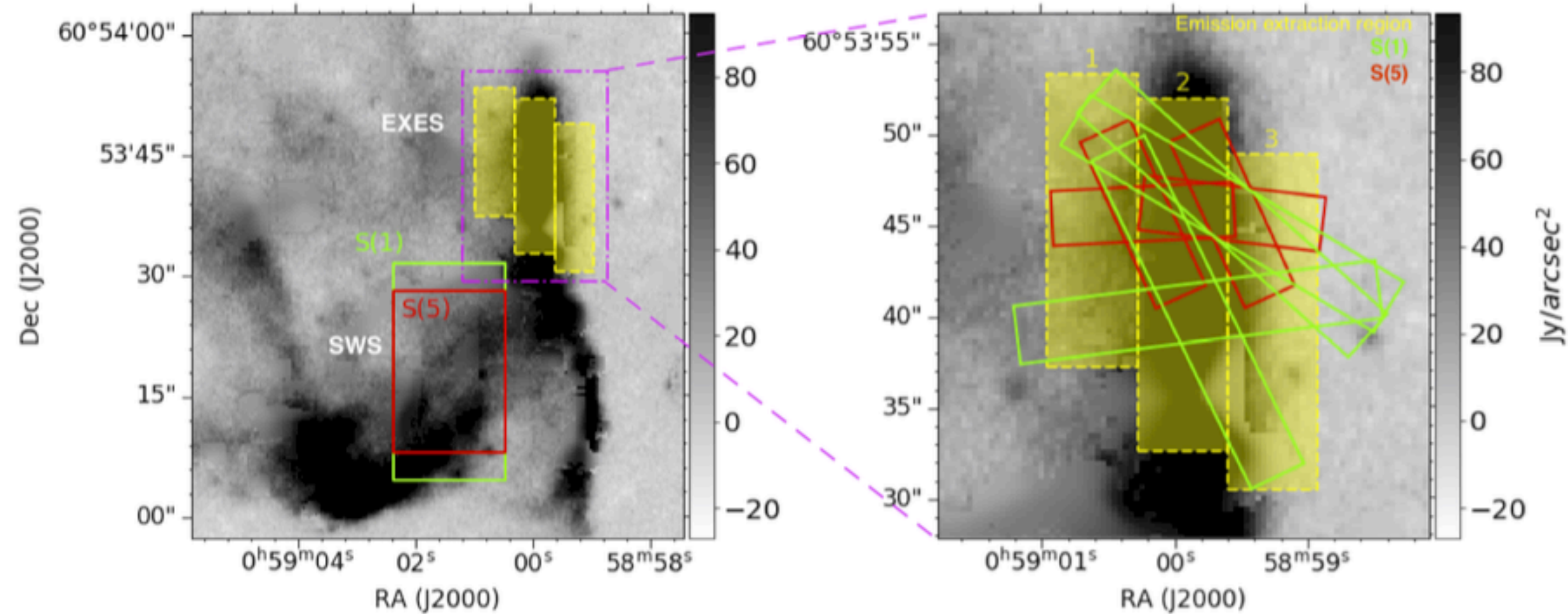
Hennemann et al. 2012

EXES observations to probe shocks and PDRs

- EXES has an excellent spectral resolution (< 6 km/s) + the sensitivity to detect shocks in $0-0S(1)$ starting around $v > 10$ km/s and $n_{\text{preshock}} > 10^3$ cm $^{-3}$ (e.g. Draine et al. 1983; Lesaffre et al. 2013)
 - > For brighter shocks, other H_2 transitions can also be detected with EXES
 - > See e.g. Neufeld et al. 2019, for an interesting application
- EXES can also probe the hot gas structure in PDRs (see 09_0211, PI Soam)
- There are large grids of irradiated shock models (e.g. Godard et al. 2019)
- Potential targets with strong FUV irradiation and possible shocks:
 - 30 Doradus: Indications of the presence of shocks (Lee et al. 2019)
 - M16: Shocks could be responsible for the pillar formation (Pattle et al. 2018)
- EXES can be complementary with high-J CO observations from 4GREAT

Spatially varying temperatures in the IC 63 PDR from pure rotation excitation of molecular hydrogen

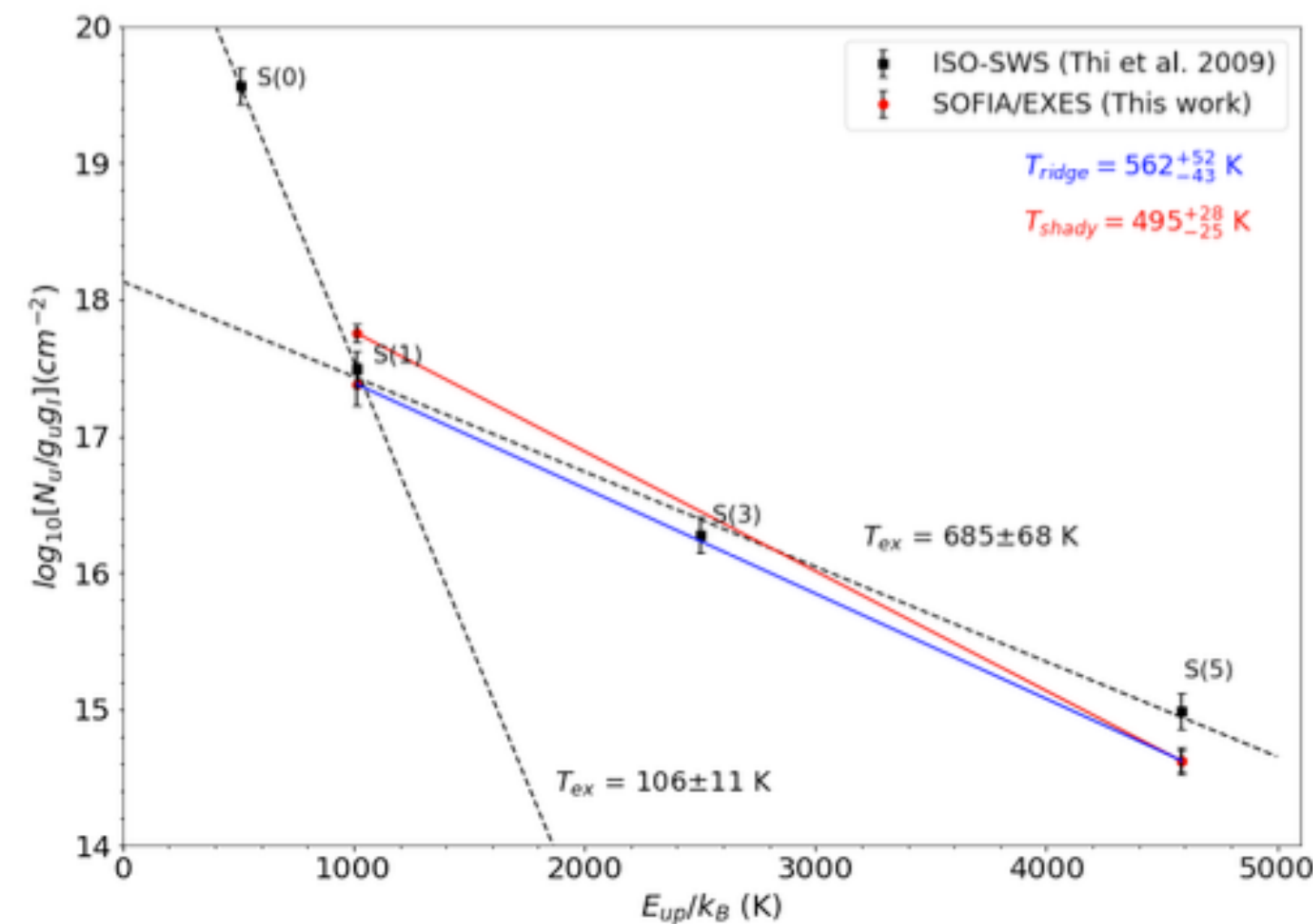
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We reinvestigated temperature of IC 63 PDR using pure rotational molecular hydrogen observations of S(1) and S(5) using EXES.

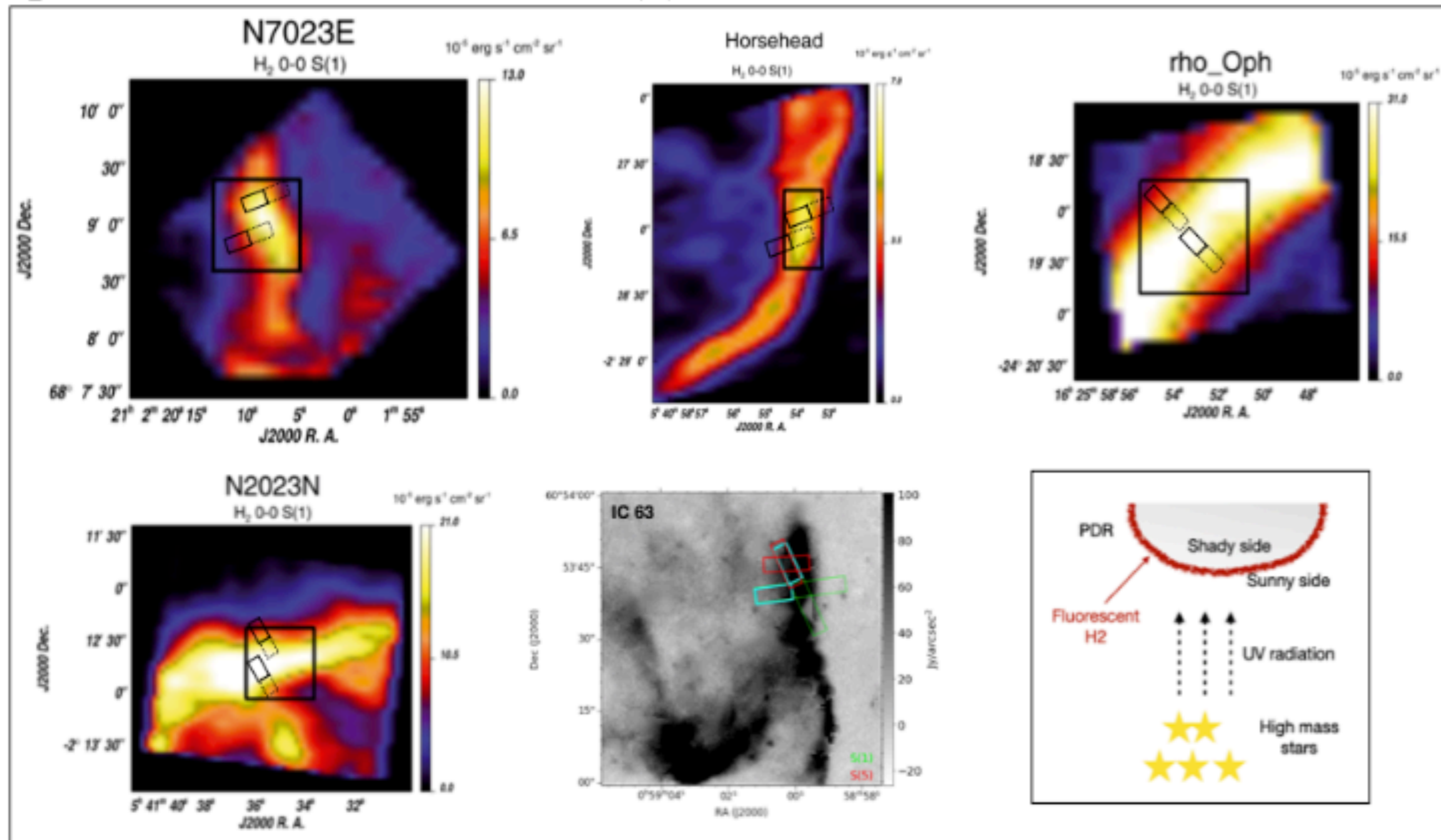
Similar investigation was done by [Thi et al. \(2009\)](#) in this nebulae using lower resolution ISO/SWS observations. They found warm components at $T_{\text{ex}}=106\pm 11\text{K}$ and hot gas component is seen at $T_{\text{ex}}=685\pm 68\text{K}$.

We divided IC 63 PDR into “shade”, “ridge” and “sunny” sides for our investigation. We obtained temperature of $T = 562\pm 50\text{K}$ towards the “ridge” and $T_{\text{ex}}=495\pm 30\text{K}$ in “shady” side



The higher spatial resolution of EXES over SWS enables us to spatially resolve temperature in this PDR.

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Panel show the H₂ 0-0 S(1) emission images of various PDRs (adopted from Habart et al. 2011). Lower right most panel shows the cartoon of a PDR with definitions of ‘sunny’ and ‘shady’ regions, locations of ionizing source and fluorescent H₂ region.

Suggestions for Southern sky: 30 Doradus

Table 2. Observed H₂ and dust surface brightness in units of W m⁻² sr⁻¹.

Naslim et al. 2015

Region	S(0) 10 ⁻⁰⁹	S(1) 10 ⁻⁰⁹	S(2) 10 ⁻⁰⁹	S(3) 10 ⁻⁰⁹	S(4) 10 ⁻⁰⁹	S(5) 10 ⁻⁰⁹	S(6) 10 ⁻⁰⁹	S(7) 10 ⁻⁰⁹	7.9 μm 10 ⁻⁰⁷	24 μm 10 ⁻⁰⁸	TIR 10 ⁻⁰⁶
1	2.2(0.3)	2.5(0.3)	<1.8	<2.8	<2.2	<1.4	<2.3	<5.6	7.54(2.5)	13.6(0.01)	9.92(0.2)
2	1.9(0.8)	1.3(0.7)	<2.8	<3.8	<0.6	<1.1	<9.1	<2.0	4.01(0.2)	3.43(0.01)	3.02(0.06)
3	0.62(0.2)	0.18(0.1)	0.15(0.03)	<2.0	<1.7	<1.9	<4.4	<6.1	2.32(0.4)	2.70(0.005)	2.33(0.3)
4	0.80(0.4)	0.30(0.03)	0.60(0.5)	<1.6	<3.0	<2.9	<2.3	<4.7	1.78(0.8)	1.60(0.005)	1.60(0.3)
5	1.3(0.7)	1.3(0.5)	<0.7	<0.81	<0.93	<1.2	<2.9	<3.2	3.98(0.6)	6.25(0.002)	4.63(0.6)
6	1.2(0.2)	0.72(0.2)	<0.8	<2.2	<2.4	<1.7	<3.3	<4.9	2.69(0.7)	1.90(0.006)	2.43(0.03)
7	0.62(0.1)	0.9(0.3)	<0.8	1.4(0.08)	<1.6	<2.6	<2.5	<2.5	4.16(0.5)	5.11(0.01)	5.29(0.06)
9	0.73(0.3)	1.5(0.3)	<3.9	<6.5	<4.0	<9.0	<9.4	<9.7	5.48(2.5)	5.64((0.007)	8.01(0.08)
11	0.51(0.2)	0.58(0.3)	<1.2	<3.5	<3.4	<7.1	<5.2	<9.1	4.12(1.5)	5.92(0.01)	5.03(0.06)
12	1.2(0.3)	1.3(0.4)	<1.3	<2.6	<2.7	<8.3	<6.0	<9.5	3.16(0.5)	3.86(0.006)	3.70(0.1)

In IC 63 fluxes, mean EXES fluxes are:

$$S(1) = 5.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2/\text{sr}, \quad S(5) = 2.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2/\text{sr}$$

Spitzer flux in region 12 averaged over 30"x30" region

$$S(1) = 1.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2/\text{sr}, \quad S(5) = 0.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2/\text{sr}$$

We think, it is reasonable to find a sub-region with flux 5~ 10 times the above mentioned flux which can be detected by EXES.

The higher spatial resolution of EXES over *Spitzer* enables us to spatially resolve temperature in this PDR.

Discussion

Summary

- EXES is the only instrument that has not been on a Southern Deployment
- Currently no similar instrument/facility exists on the ground or in space
 - even JWST/MIRI won't reach same spectral resolution
- High spectral resolution and wavelength coverage provides opportunity for unique science
 - e.g. non-polar molecules
- Need community input
 - Keep contributing to the Google Doc
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