

# Massive Star & Cluster Formation

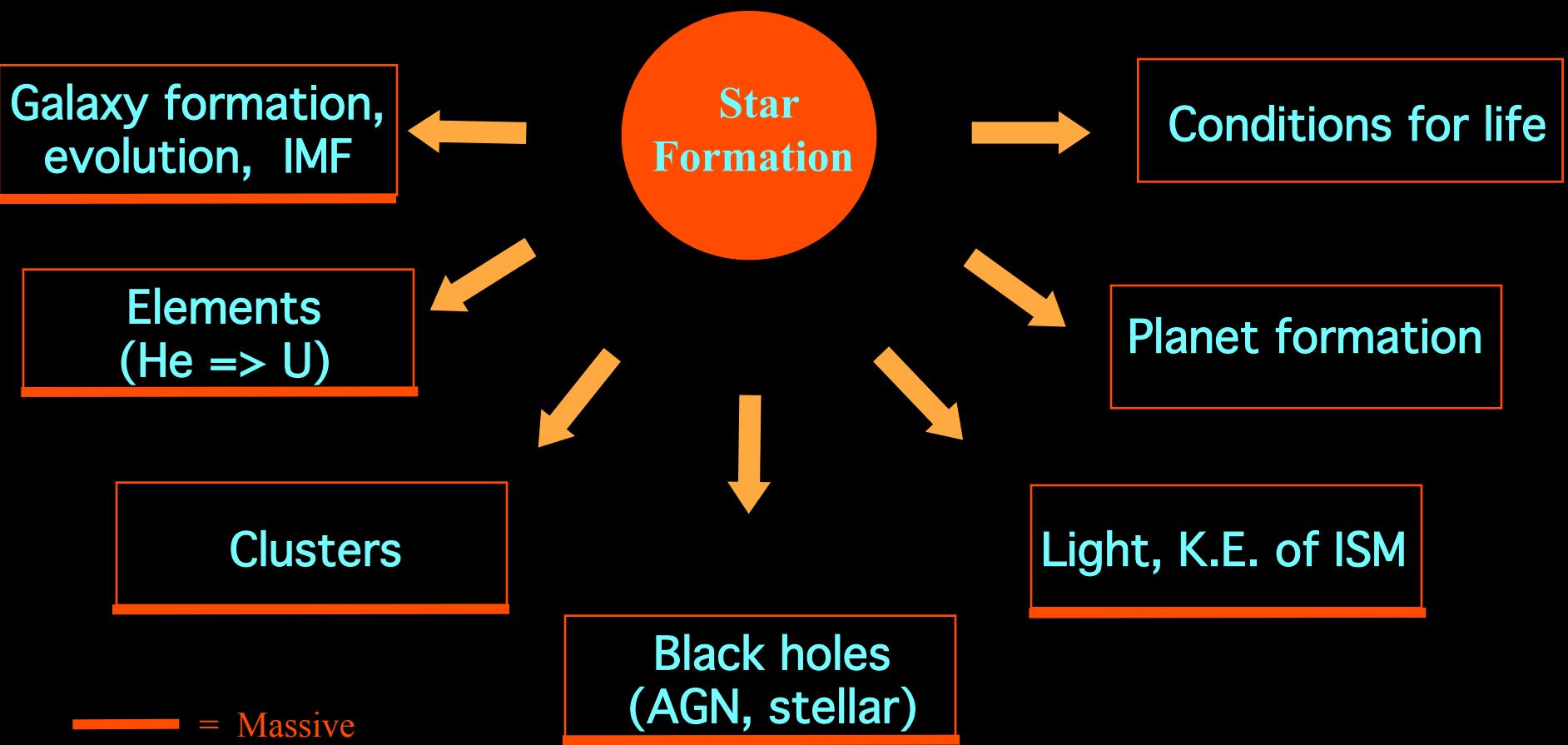
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# Star Formation

The fundamental cosmic (baryonic) process  
Determines cosmic fate of normal matter



# *Outline*

Introduction:

Star Formation

Properties of Massive Stars

Theories of massive star and cluster birth

Challenges, Controversies, Unknowns

Massive star forming regions:

Orion: n-body dynamics, explosions

Cepheus A: Capture-formed binary?

W43: “Mini-starburst”

Galactic center: Extreme conditions

Conclusions

Massive Star Formation is in SOFIA “sweet spot”

5 => 100 μm, bright objects

Needed SOFIA Capabilities

High-R spectro-imaging or Multi-object spectra

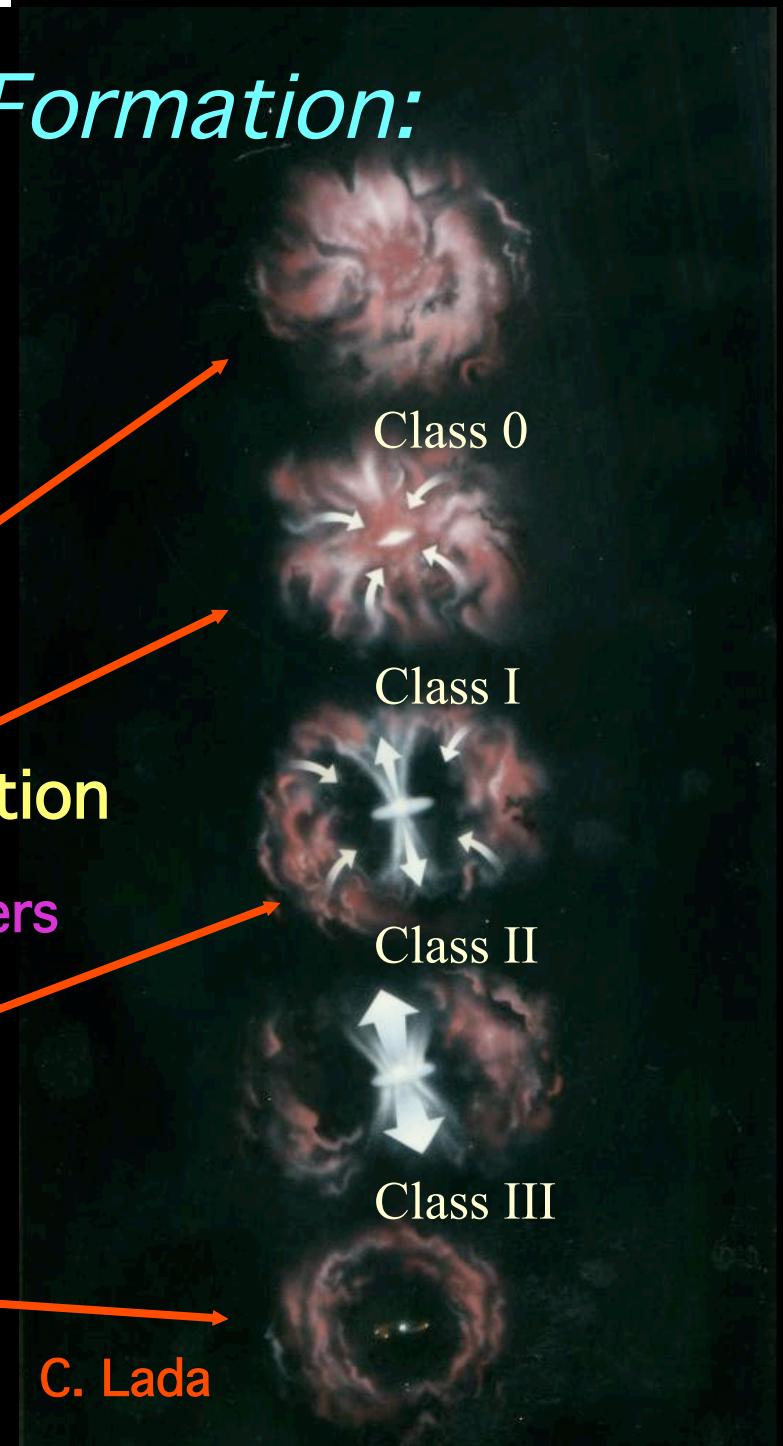
Polarimetry: line, continuum

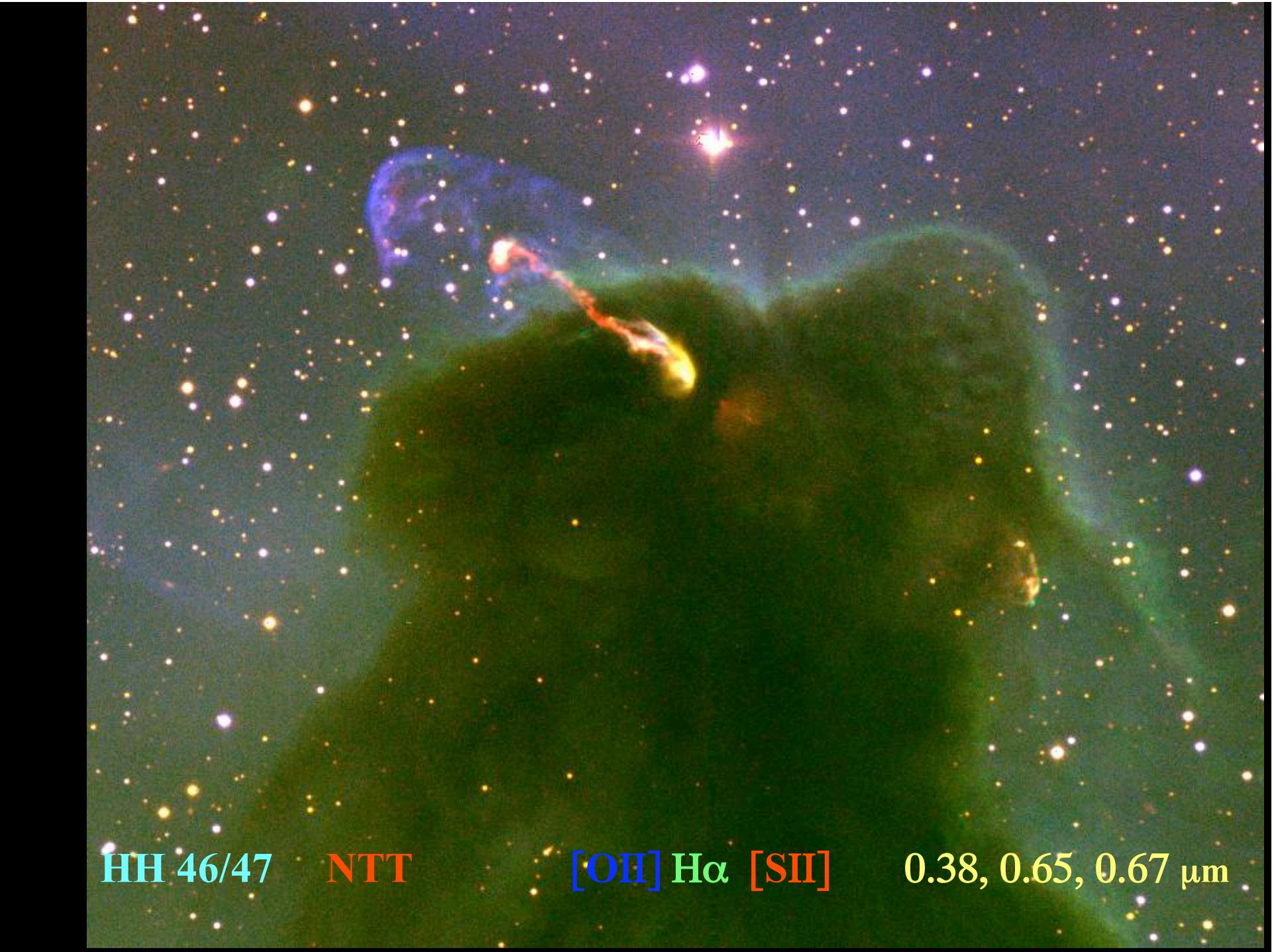
# *Isolated (low-mass) Star Formation:*

Most born in clusters!

Shrink  $r$  by  $10^7$ ; increase  $n(H)$  by  $\times 10^{21}$

- Giant Molecular Cloud Core  
Raw material for star birth
- Gravitational Collapse & Fragmentation  
Proto-stars, proto-binaries, proto-clusters
- Rotation & Magnetic Fields  
Accretion disks, jets, & outflows
- Planets  
Most may form in clusters!





HH 46/47    NTT

[OII] H $\alpha$  [SII]

0.38, 0.65, 0.67  $\mu\text{m}$



HH 46/47 Spitzer  
(Noriega-Crespo 04)

$\text{H}_2$  PAHs

3.6, 4.5, 8  $\mu\text{m}$

**HH 46/47**  
**(Hartigan et al. 05, AJ)**

**HST 1994**

**HH 46/47**  
**(Hartigan et al. 05, AJ)**

**HST 1997**

# *Clustered low- intermediate-mass Star Formation*

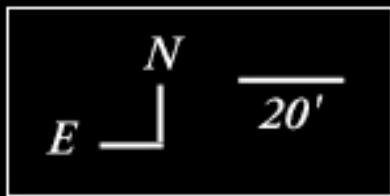
## *The Perseus Molecular Complex*

$^{13}CO$     2 - 11 km/s

IC 348

NGC 1333

IRAS 03235+3004

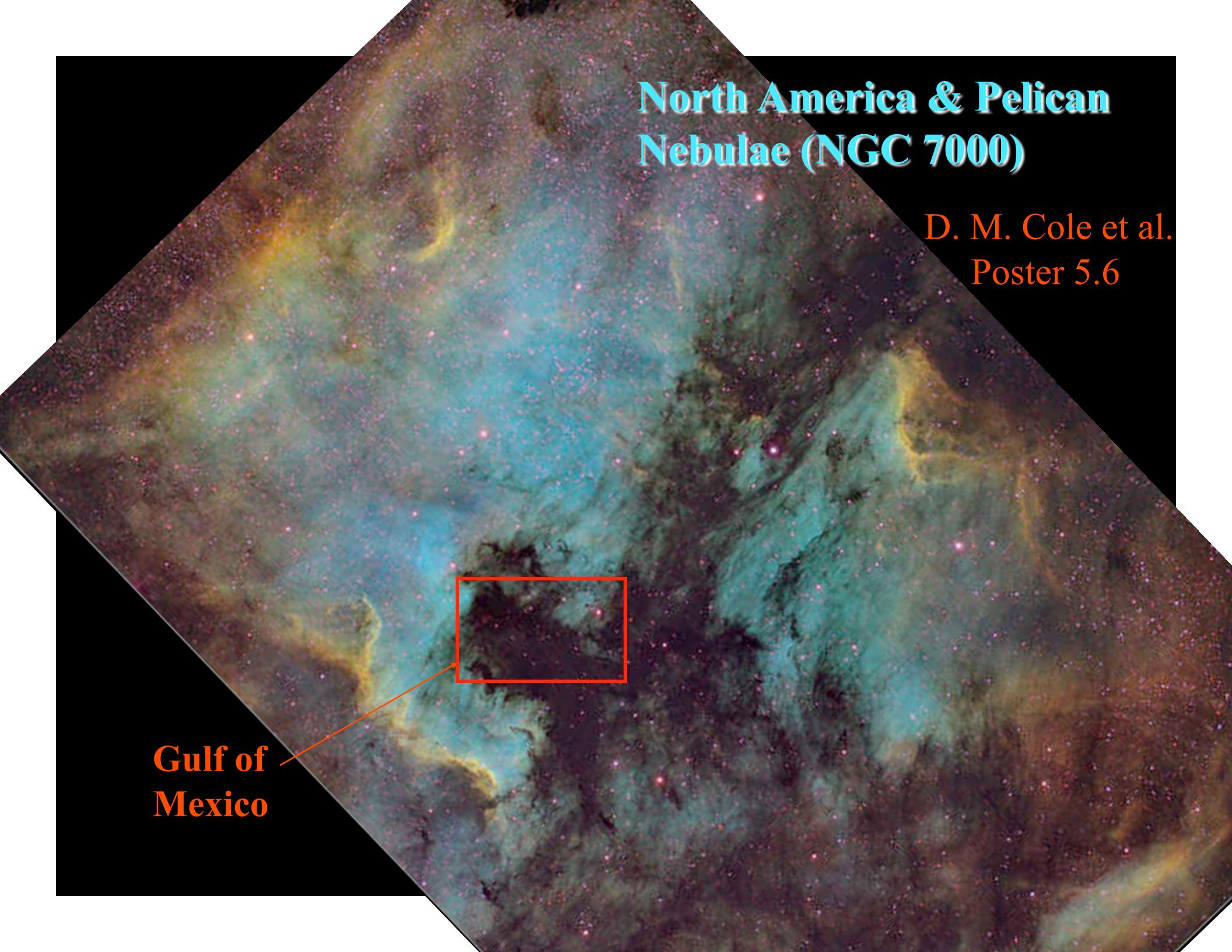


Miesch & Bally (94)



# NGC 1333

Ha, [SII]  
Walawender, Bally,  
Reipurth (06)  
Spitzer/IRAC  
Jorgensen et. (06)



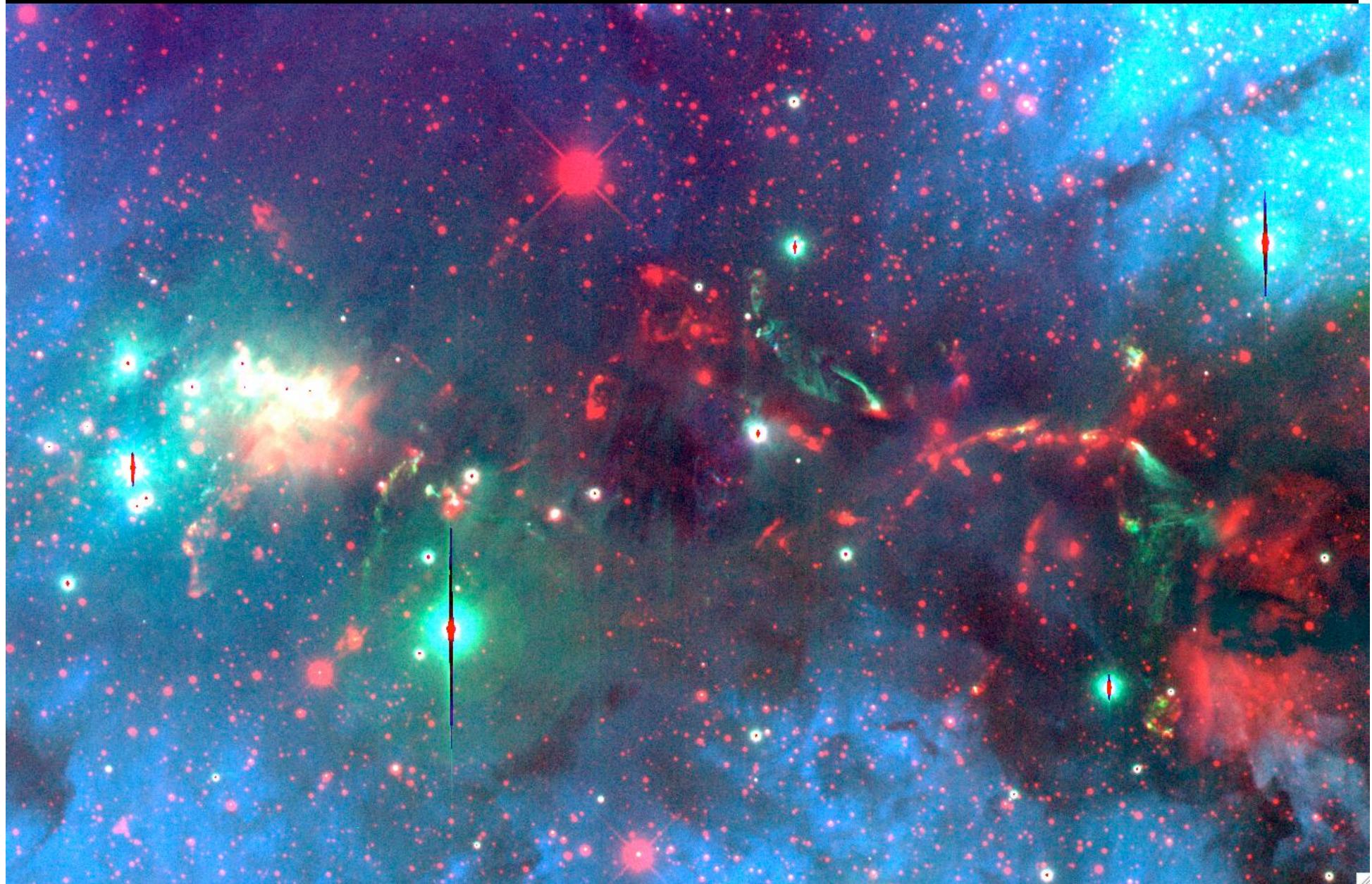
# North America & Pelican Nebulae (NGC 7000)

D. M. Cole et al.  
Poster 5.6

Gulf of  
Mexico

# Clustered Star Formation in the Gulf of Mexico (NGC 7000)

Ha, [SII], H<sub>2</sub> (2.12 μm)



# *Massive Stars*

Multiplicity high

**Companion fraction  $\sim 1.5$  vs. 0.5 for Sun**

(Zinnecker et al. 2005, PPV)

High-velocity run-away stars

**10%       $V > 100$  km/s**

**30%       $V > 20$  km /s**

(Gies & Bolton 1986, ApJS, 61, 419)

Born in clusters

(Lada & Lada 03; PPV proceedings)

No pre-main sequence phase

**$t_{\text{accretion}} > t_{\text{contraction}}$**

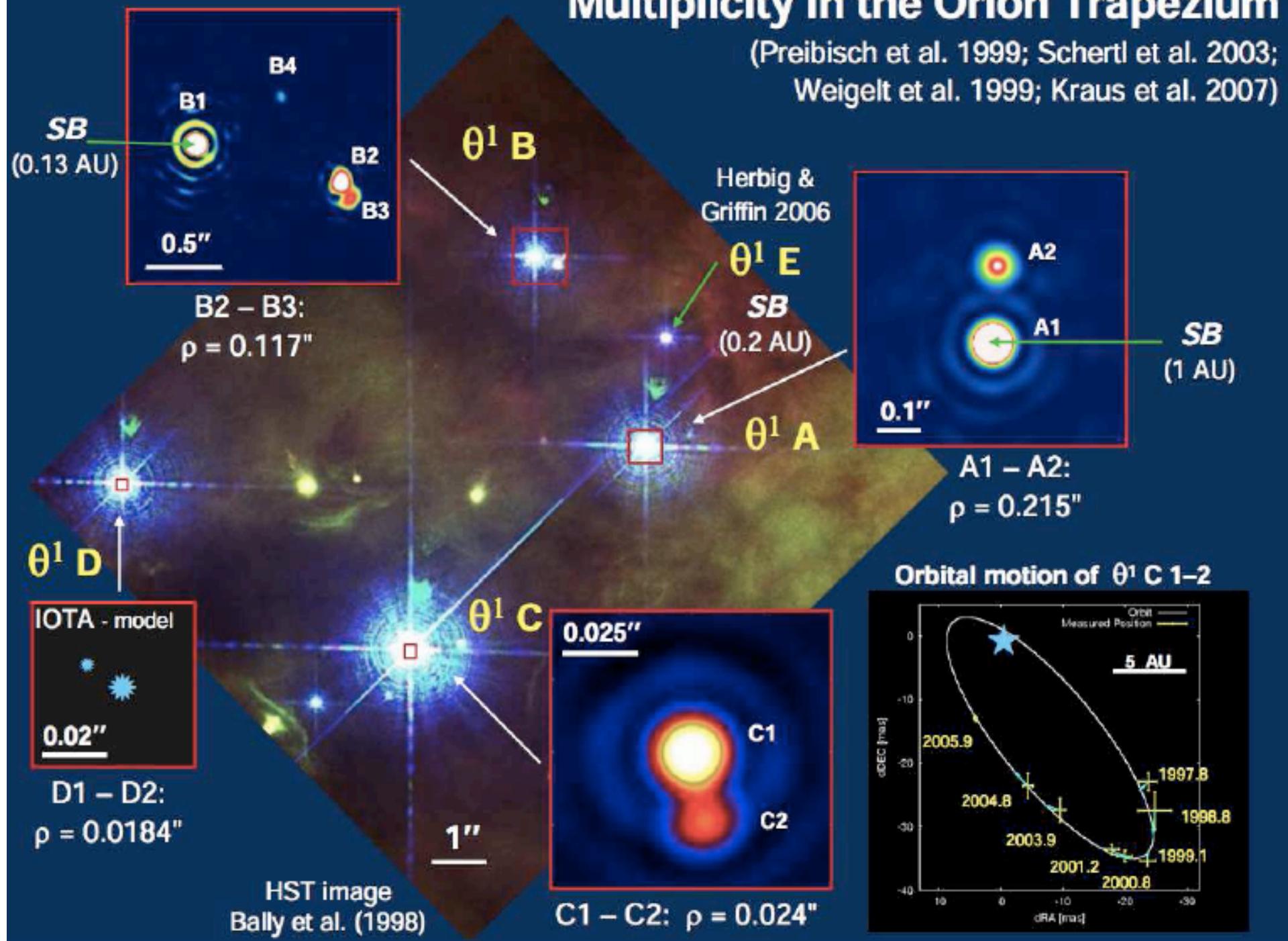
Mass Segregation

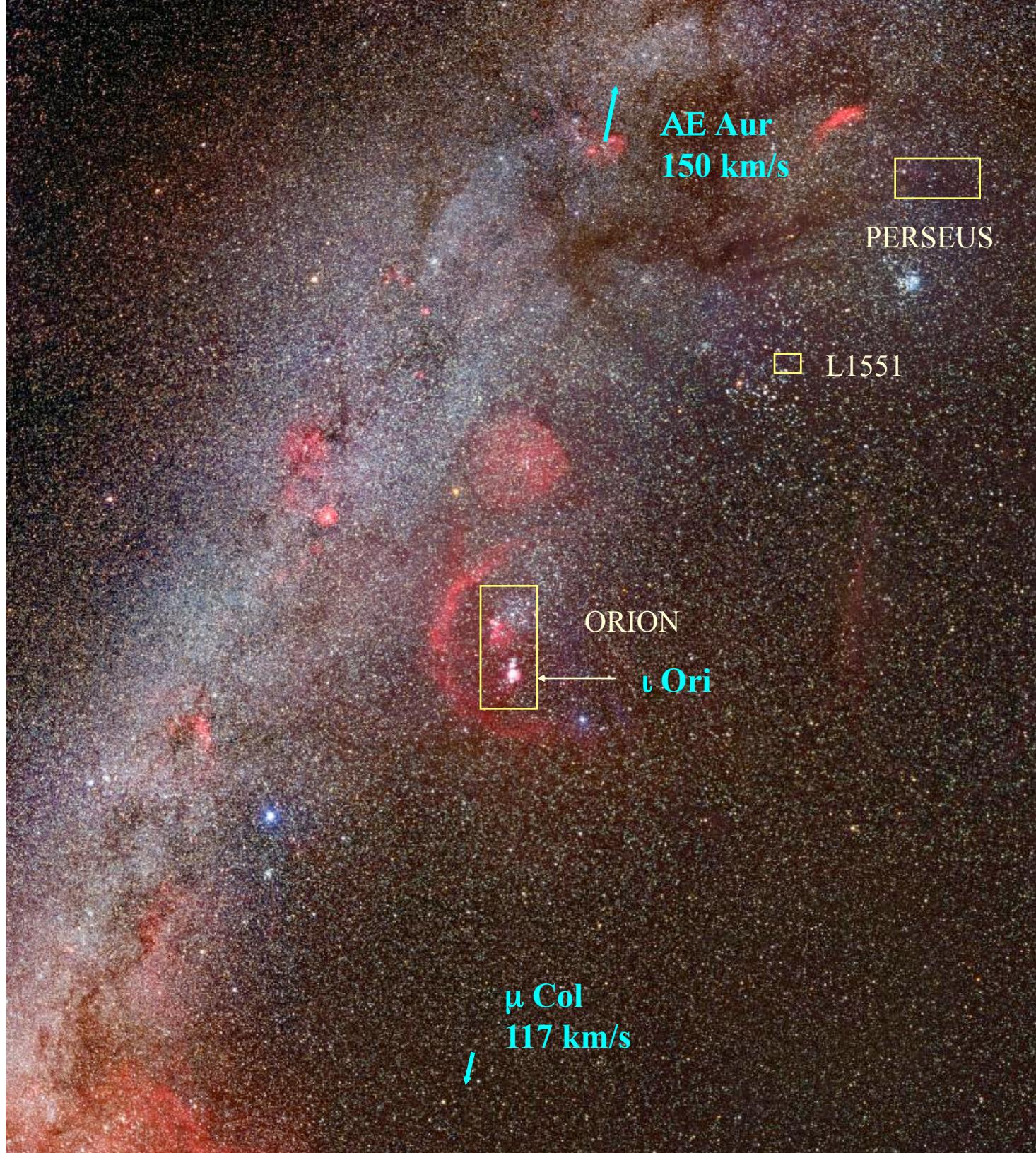
**Massive stars form in cluster center**

(Zinnecker & Yorke 07, McKee & Ostriker 07, ARAA)

# Multiplicity in the Orion Trapezium

(Preibisch et al. 1999; Schertl et al. 2003;  
Weigelt et al. 1999; Kraus et al. 2007)





**Orion**  
**Run-away stars:**

**AE Aur**  
**μ Col**  
**53 Aries**

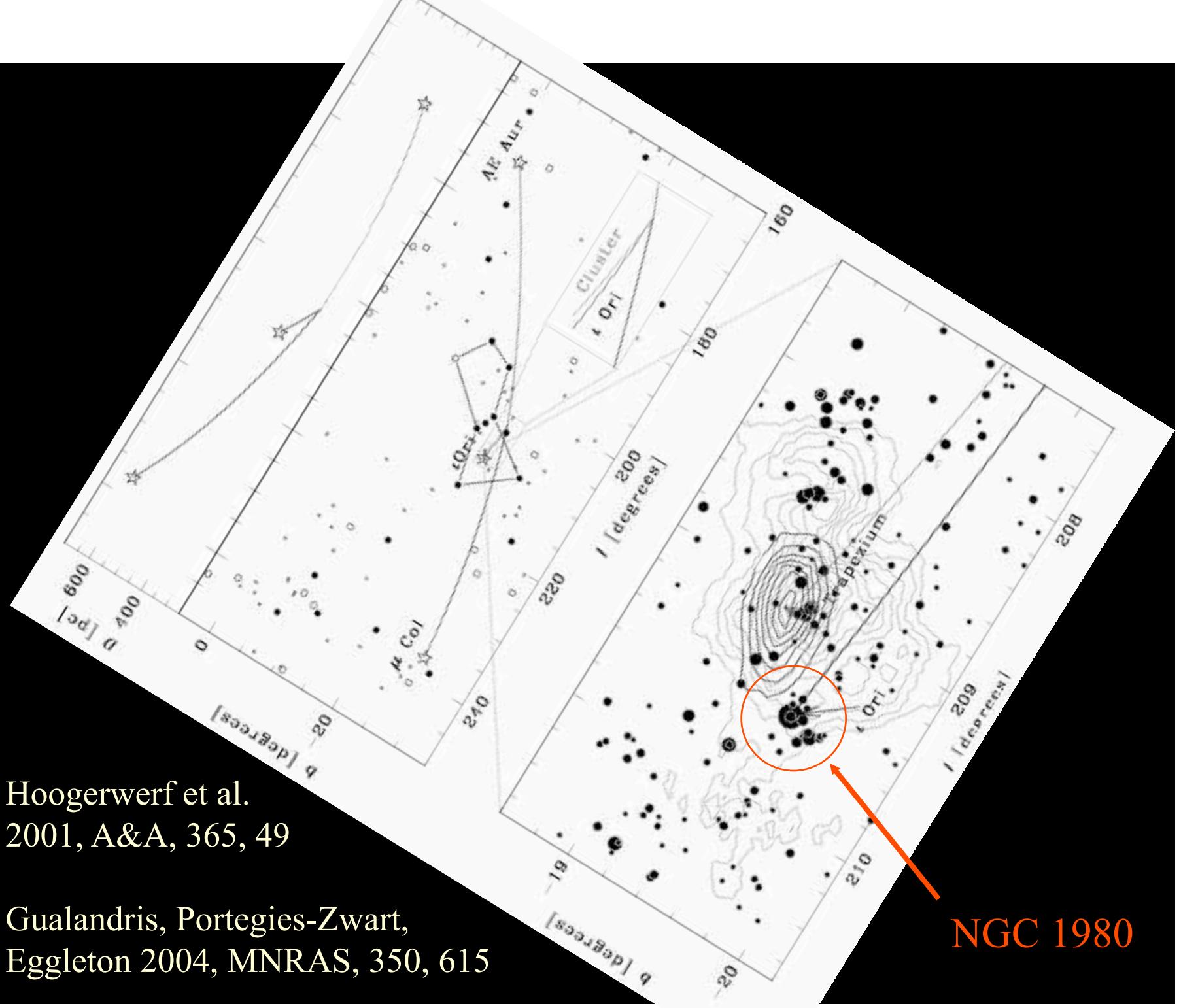
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**Wei-Hao  
Wang**

Hoogerwerf et al.  
2001, A&A, 365, 49

Gualandris, Portegies-Zwart,  
Eggleton 2004, MNRAS, 350, 615

NGC 1980



NGC 3603

Compact  
cluster

~ 50 OB stars

$\tau < 5$  Myr

HST



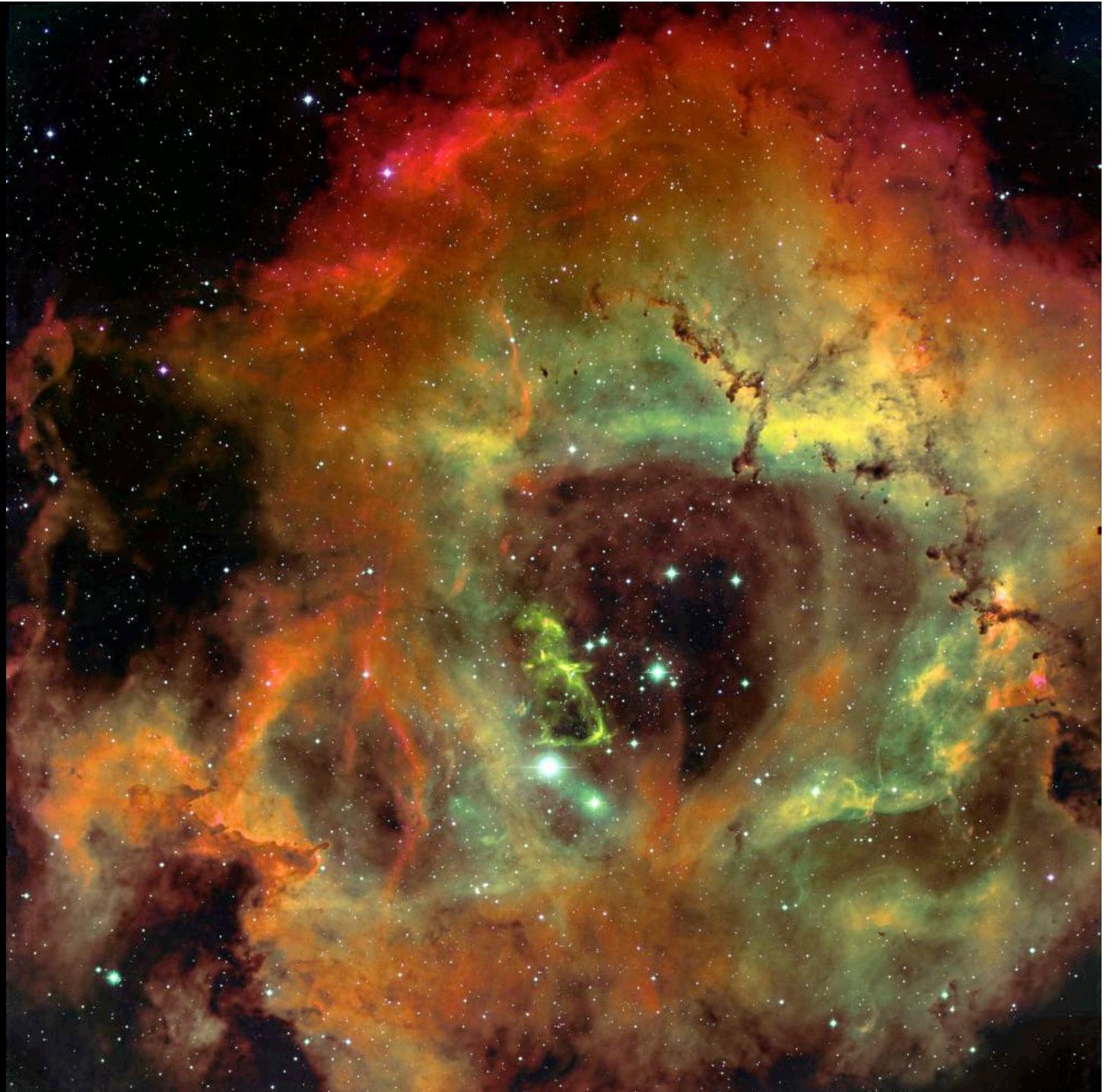
Rosette

Loose  
cluster

~ 10 OB stars

$\tau < 5$  Myr

NOAO 4m



Orion

OB Association

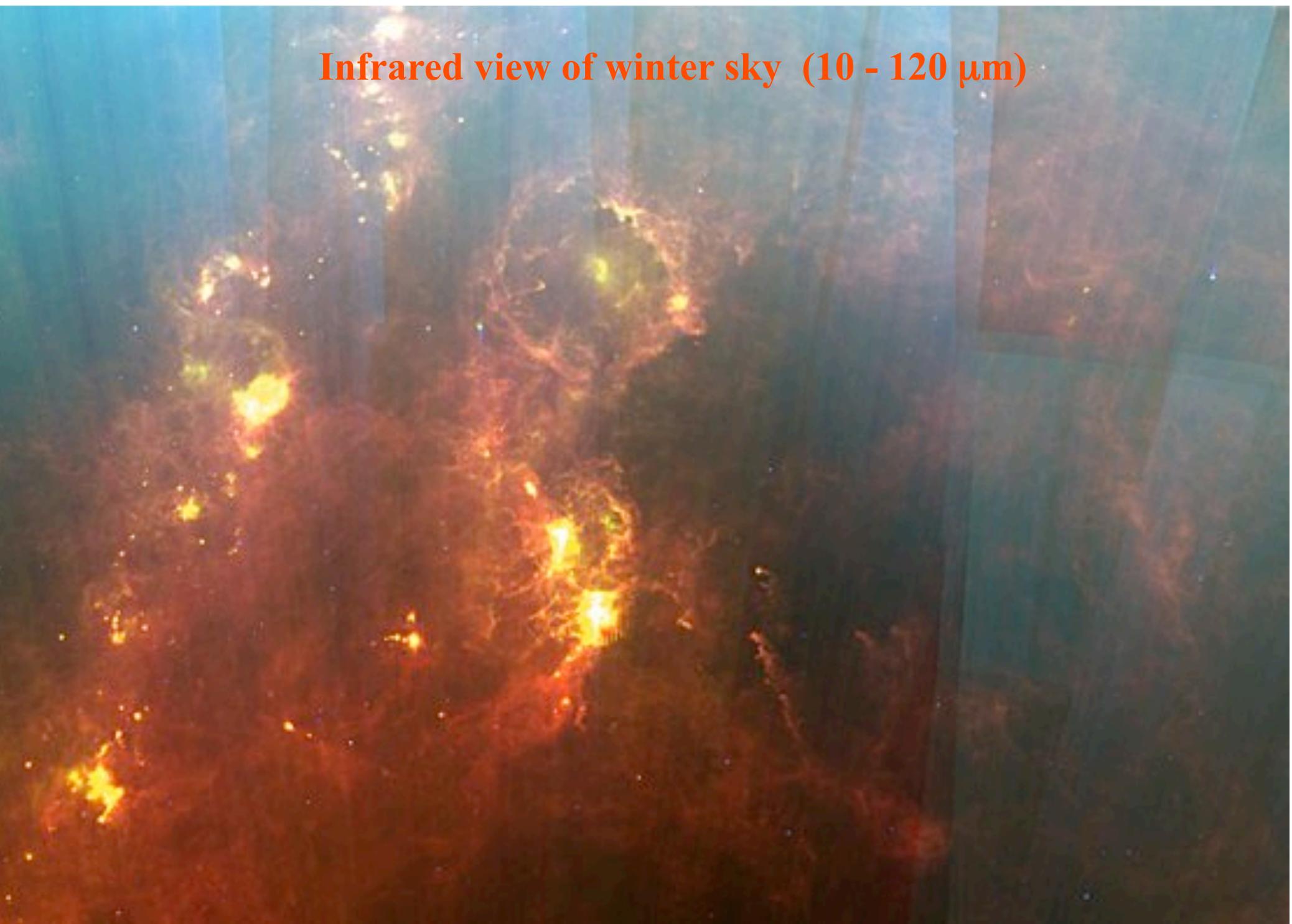
~ 10 - 50 OB stars

$\tau < 15$  Myr

50 mm camera + H $\alpha$



Infrared view of winter sky (10 - 120  $\mu$ m)

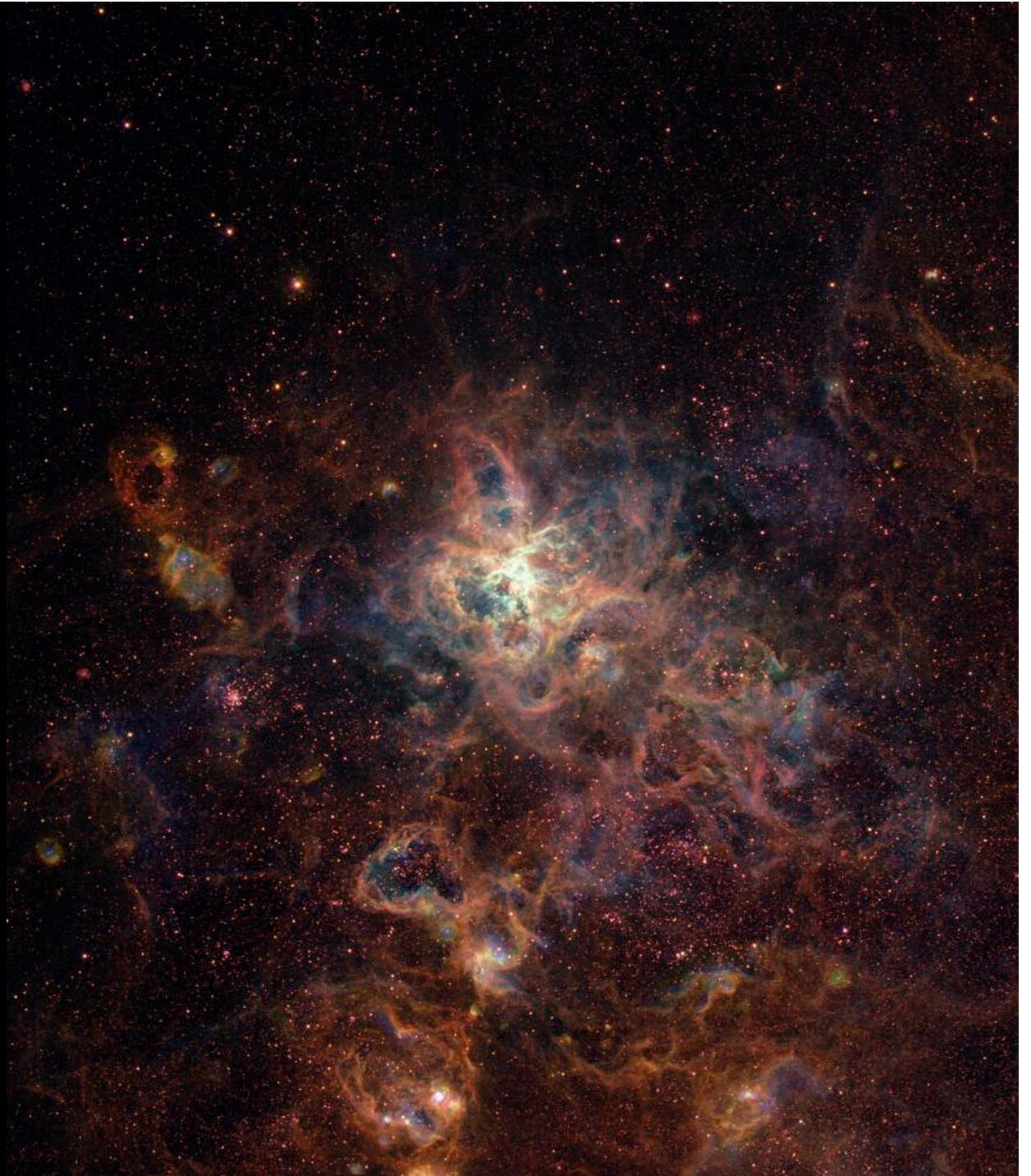


# 30 Dor / Tarantula

OB Association  
+ R136 cluster

~ 200 - 500 OB stars

$\tau < 15$  Myr



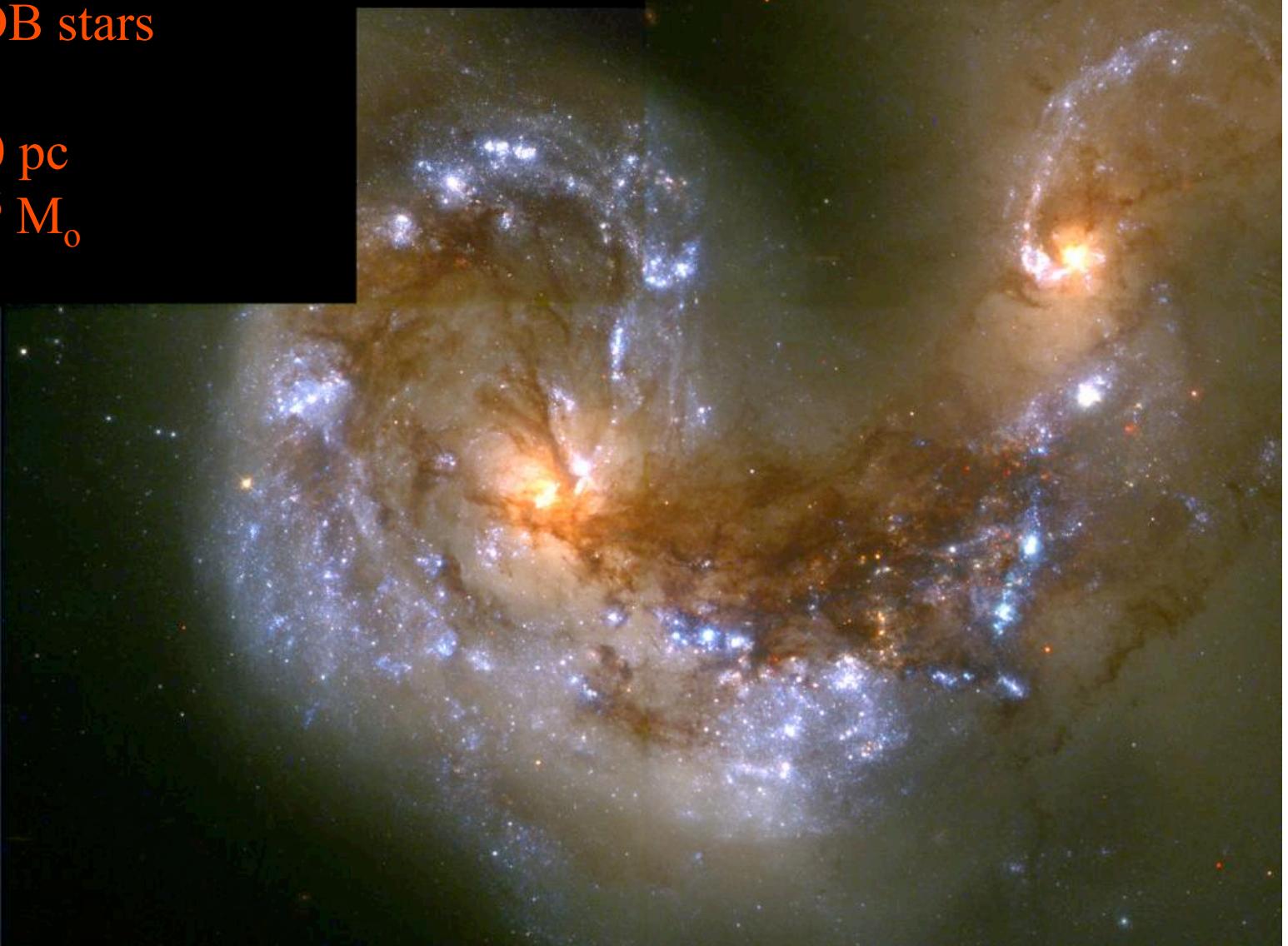
# Antennae Super Star Clusters (SSCs)

500 - 5,000 OB stars

Sizes = 1 - 10 pc

$M = 10^4 - 10^6 M_\odot$

$\tau < 15$  Myr



HST

# *Massive Star Formation*

GMC => Turbulent fragmentation=> clump => core => star

## Isolated Monolithic Collapse

Scaled-up low-mass star formation

High-P , high surface density ( $> 1 \text{ g cm}^{-2}$ )

- Mc Kee, Krumholtz, Tan, Klein (2004 => ...)

## Clustered Competitive Accretion

Cores interact, compete for matter from reservoir

Most massive stars grow fastest, and in center

- Bonnell, Bate, Zinnecker (1998 => ...)

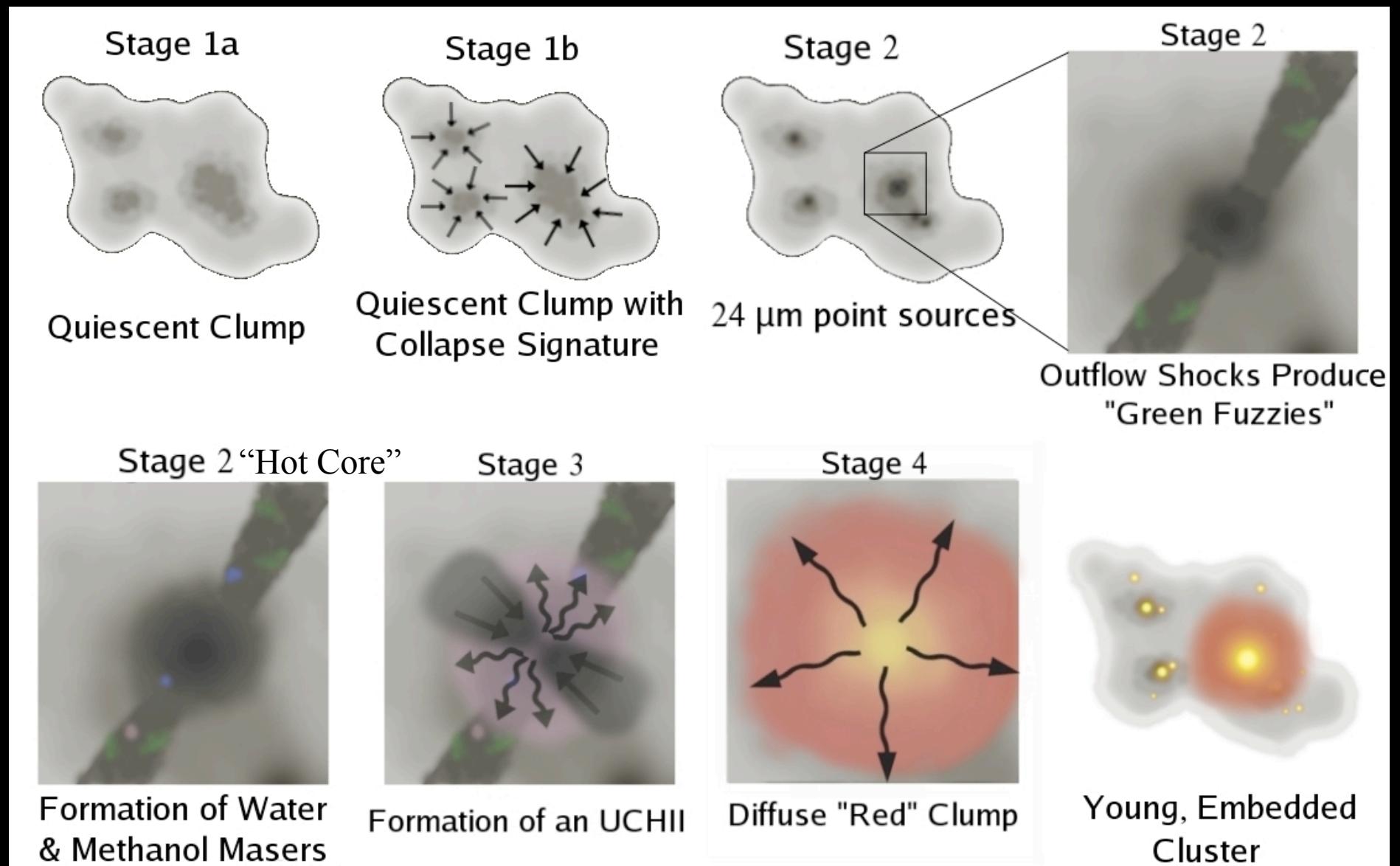
## Co-Operative Accretion (in super star clusters)

Near Eddington limit, effective gravity disappears

Secondary stars grow to  $M_{\text{edd}}$

- Keto (2003 => ...), Peters et al. (2010)

# IRDC / Dust Clump Evolution Sequence

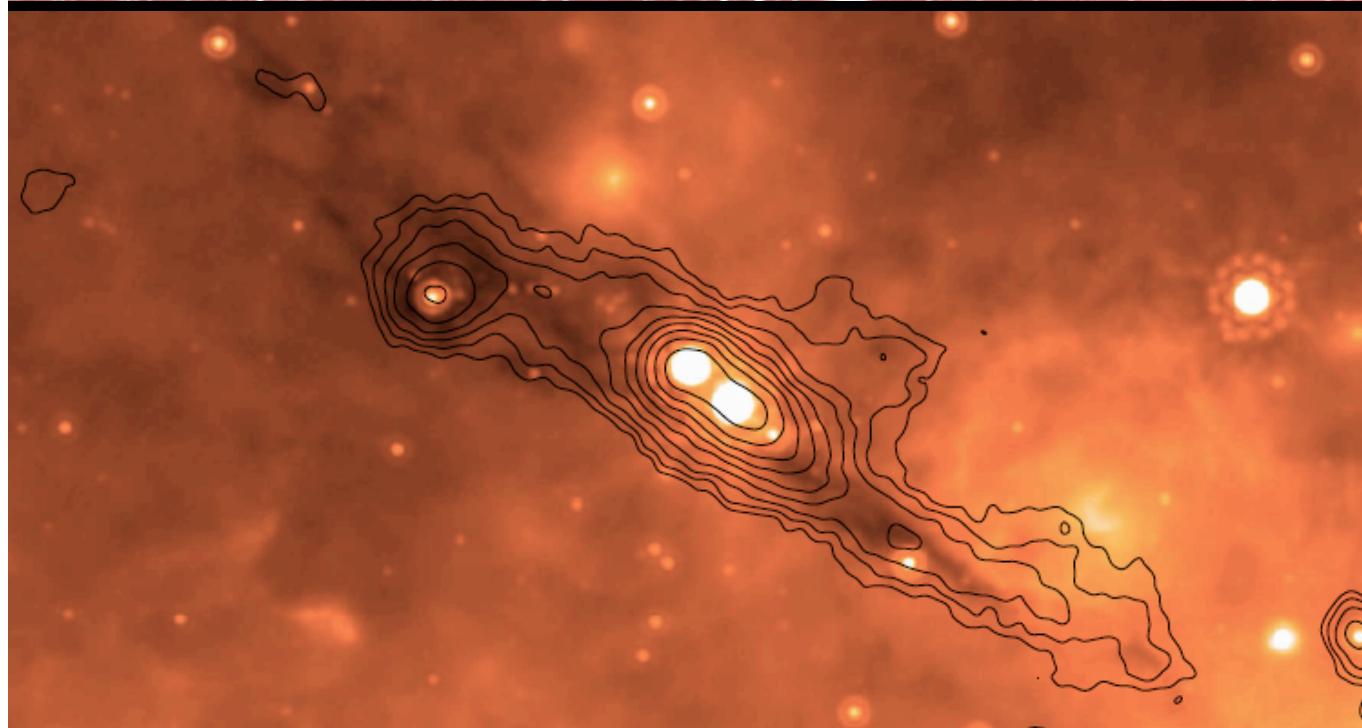


Cara Battersby et al. (2010)



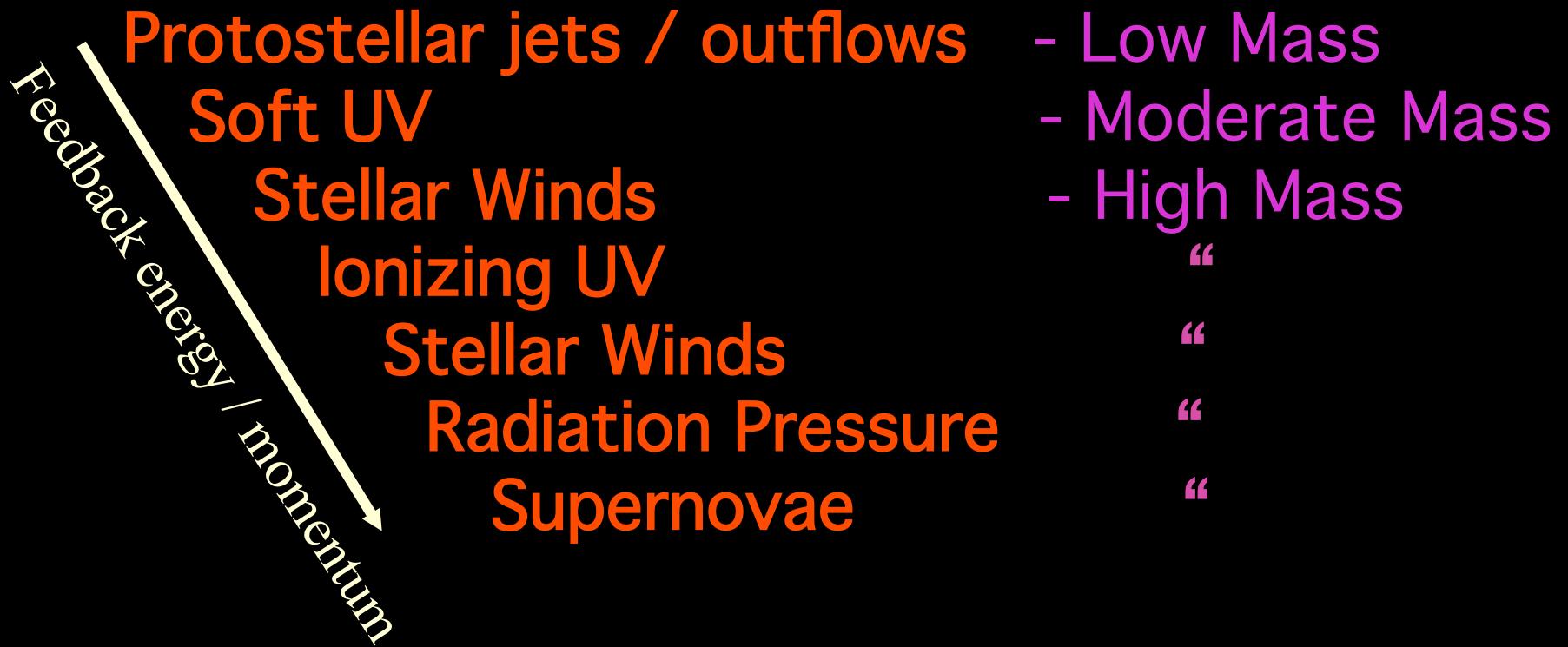
G34.43+0.24

Spitzer/IRAC  
+ 1.2 mm MAMBO-2



Spitzer/24  $\mu\text{m}$   
+ 1.2 mm MAMBO-2

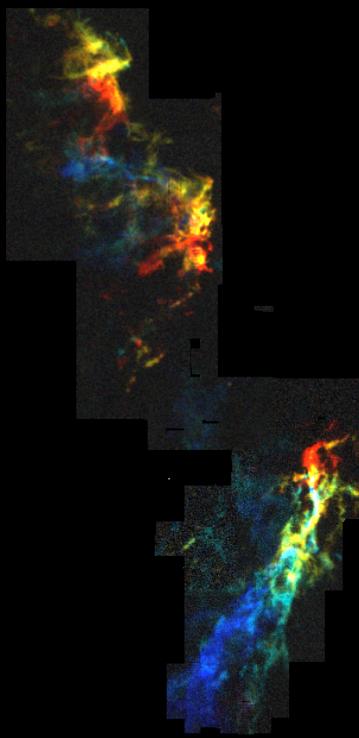
# The Feedback Ladder



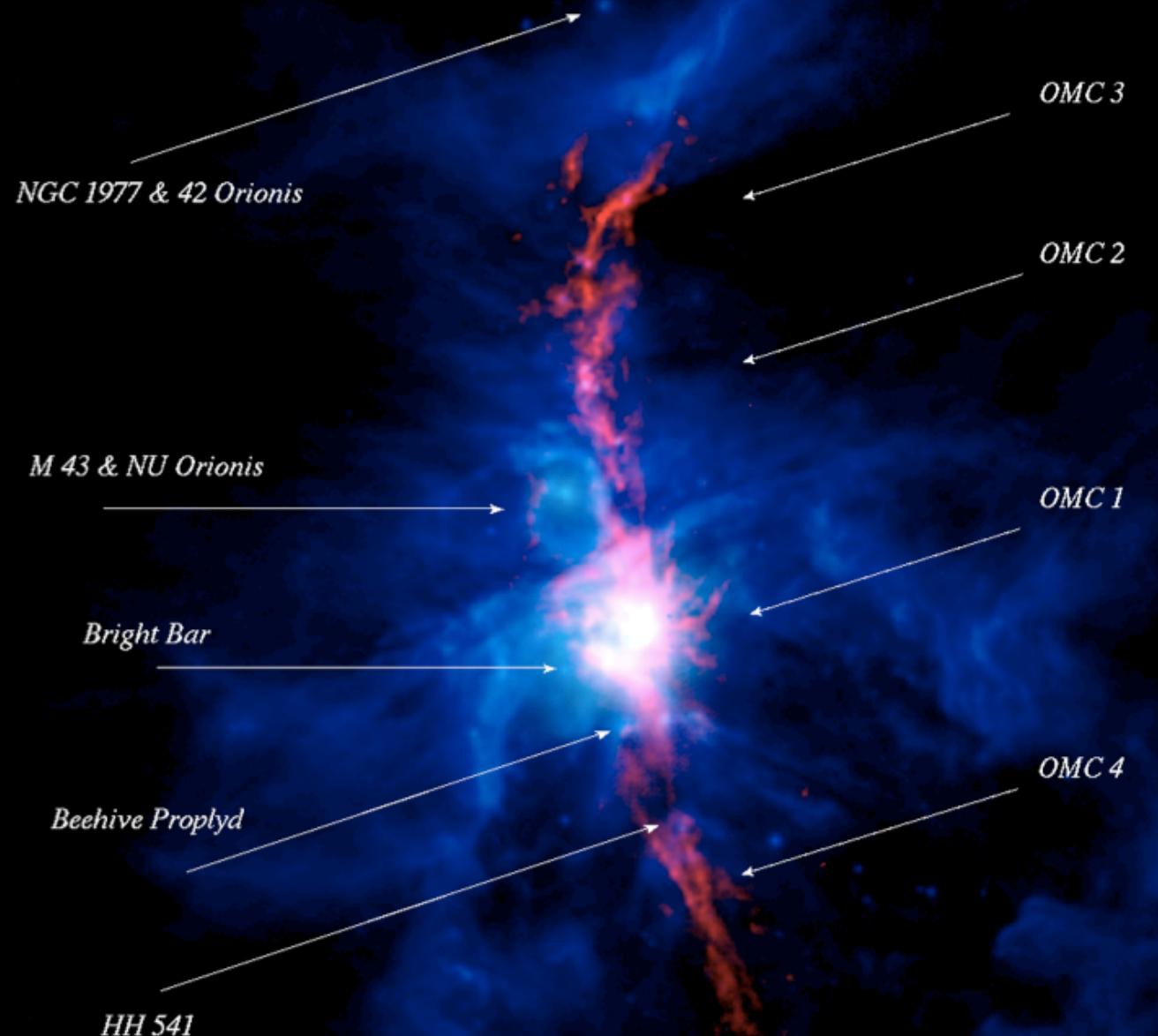


$\alpha$  Ori: 20 km/s  
D = 136 - 260 pc

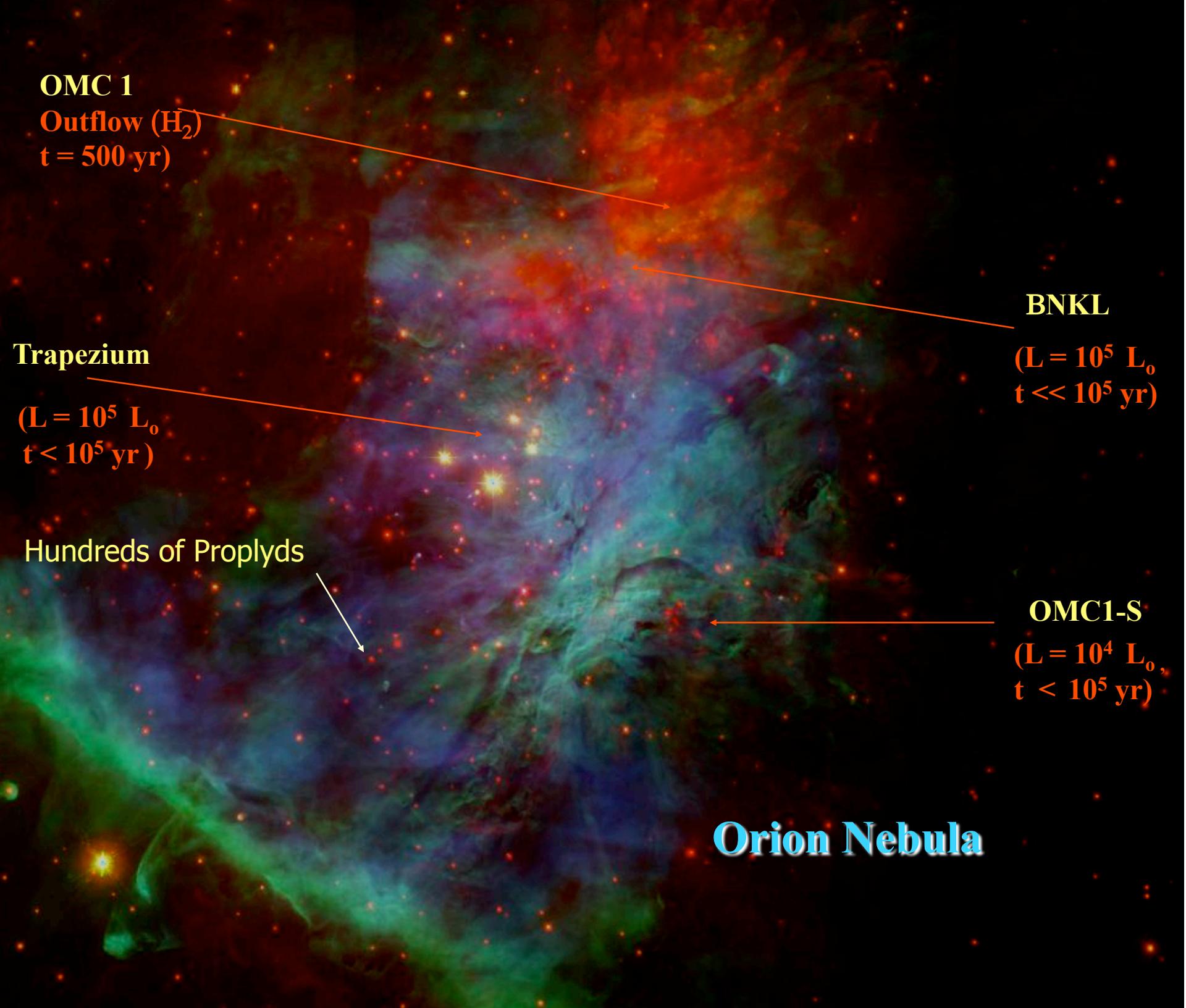
$\beta$  Ori:  
D = 236 pc

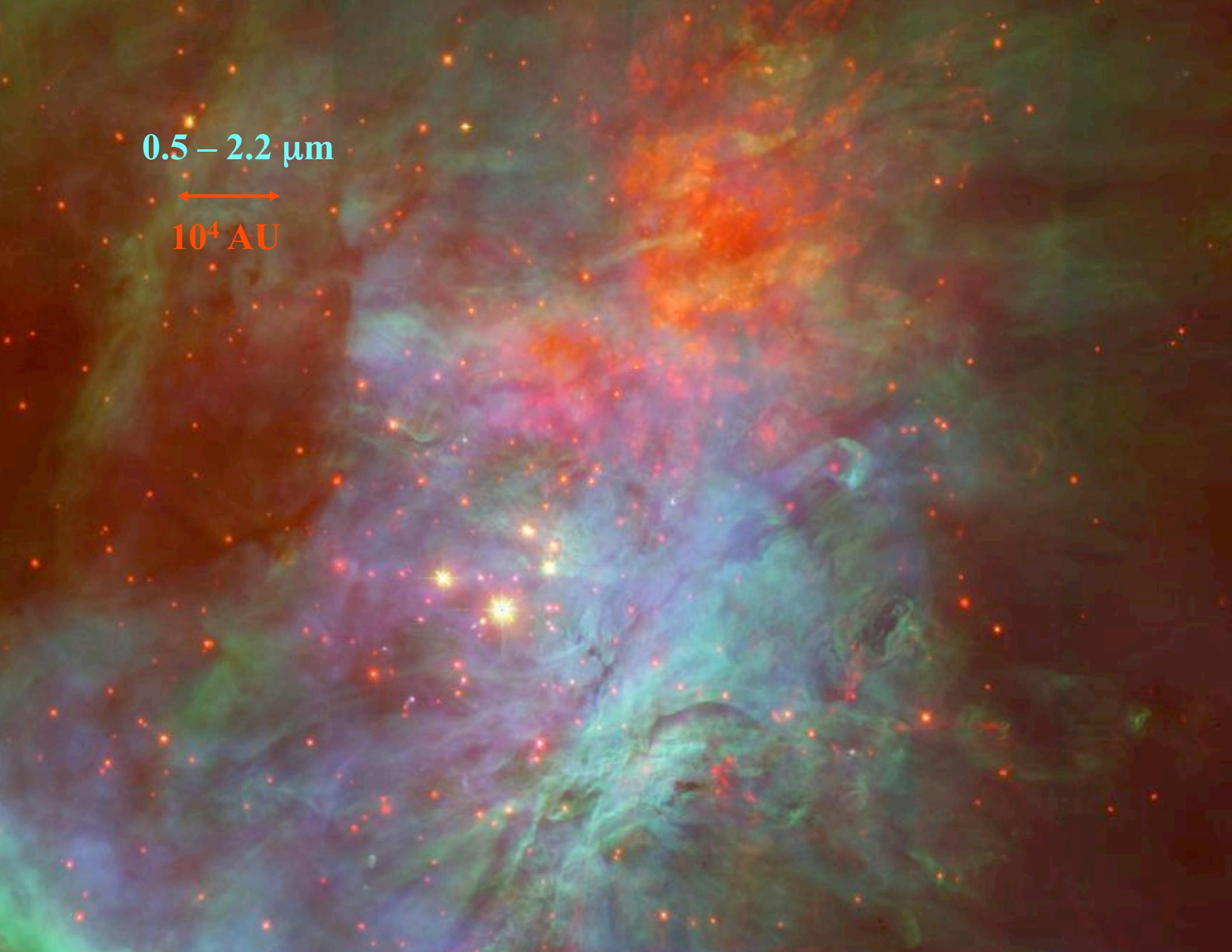


## *Orion Nebula, Dust Emission and Associated Sources*



*R: 850 micron; G: 14 micron; B: 8 micron*



This image shows a complex nebula with a rich tapestry of colors, primarily red, orange, yellow, green, and blue. The nebula's structure is highly filamentary and turbulent. Several bright, star-like points of light are visible, with one particularly prominent yellow star in the center-left. The background is dark, suggesting deep space.

$0.5 - 2.2 \mu\text{m}$

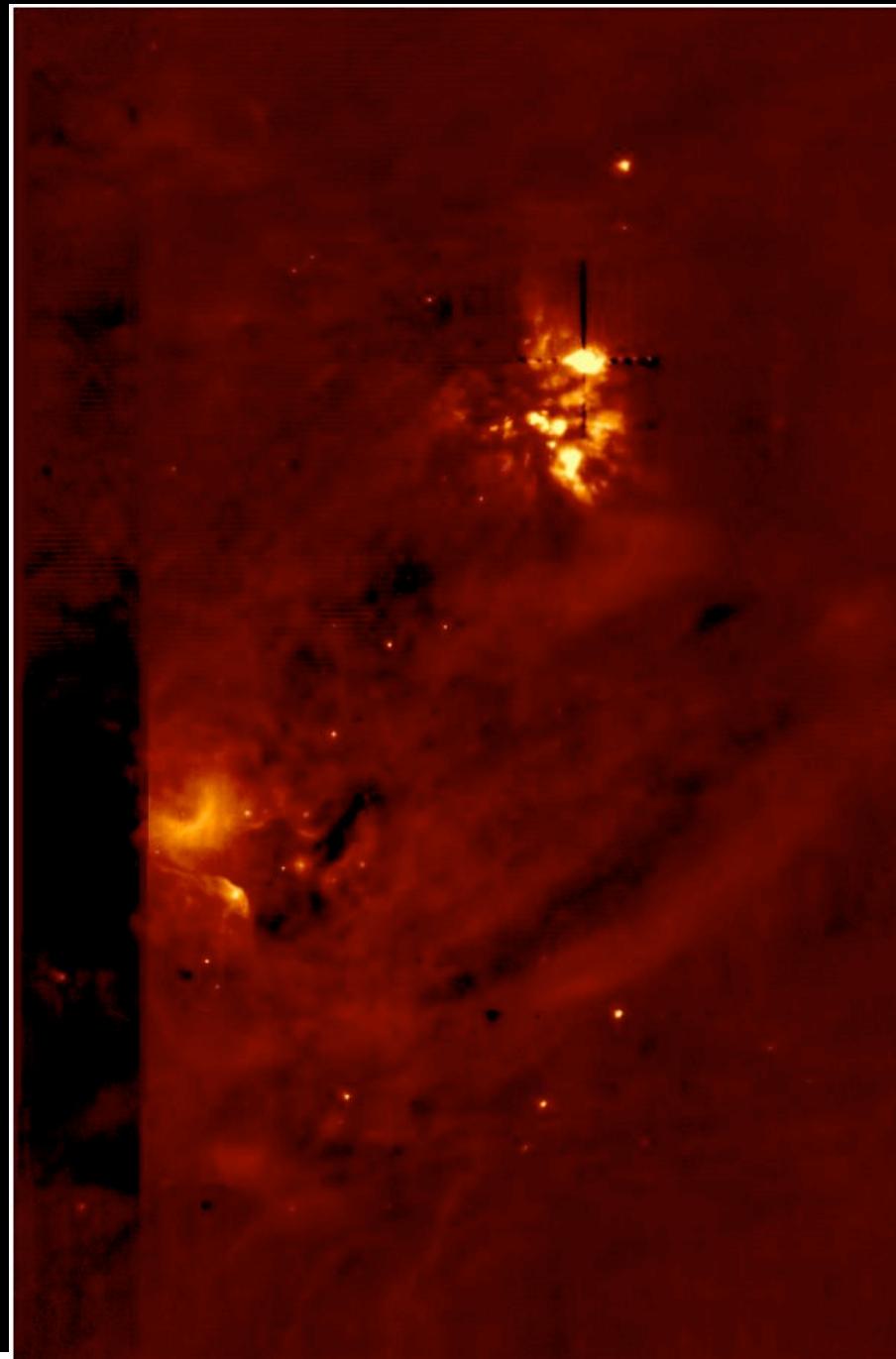


$10^4 \text{ AU}$

$11.7 \mu\text{m}$



$10^4 \text{ AU}$



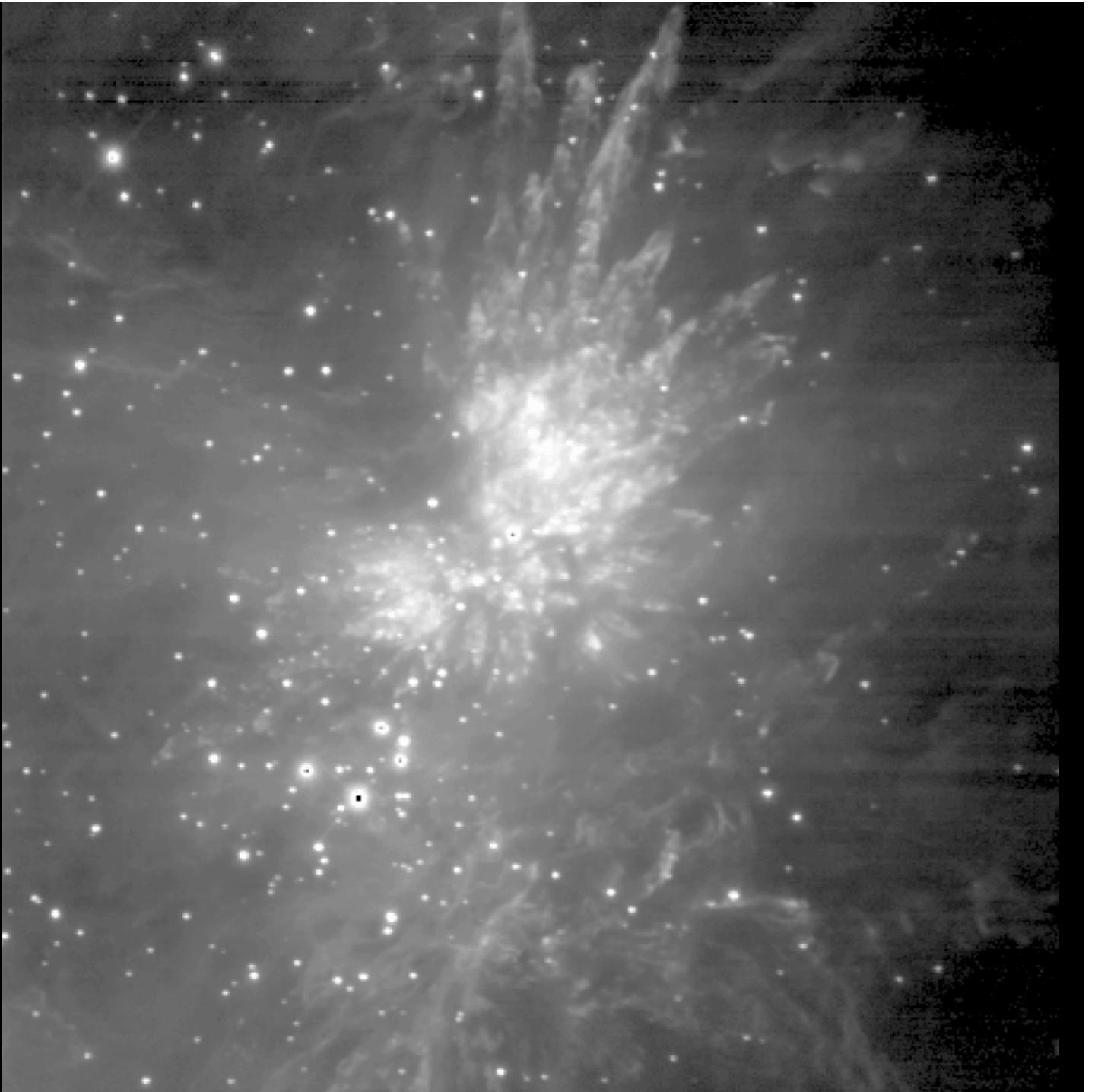
**Orion  
BN/KL  
H<sub>2</sub> fingers**

**E ~ 10<sup>48</sup> erg**

**Dynamical  
Decay of  
Sub-cluster of  
massive stars**

**~ 500 years ago**

**(N. Cunningham  
2006 PhD thesis)**



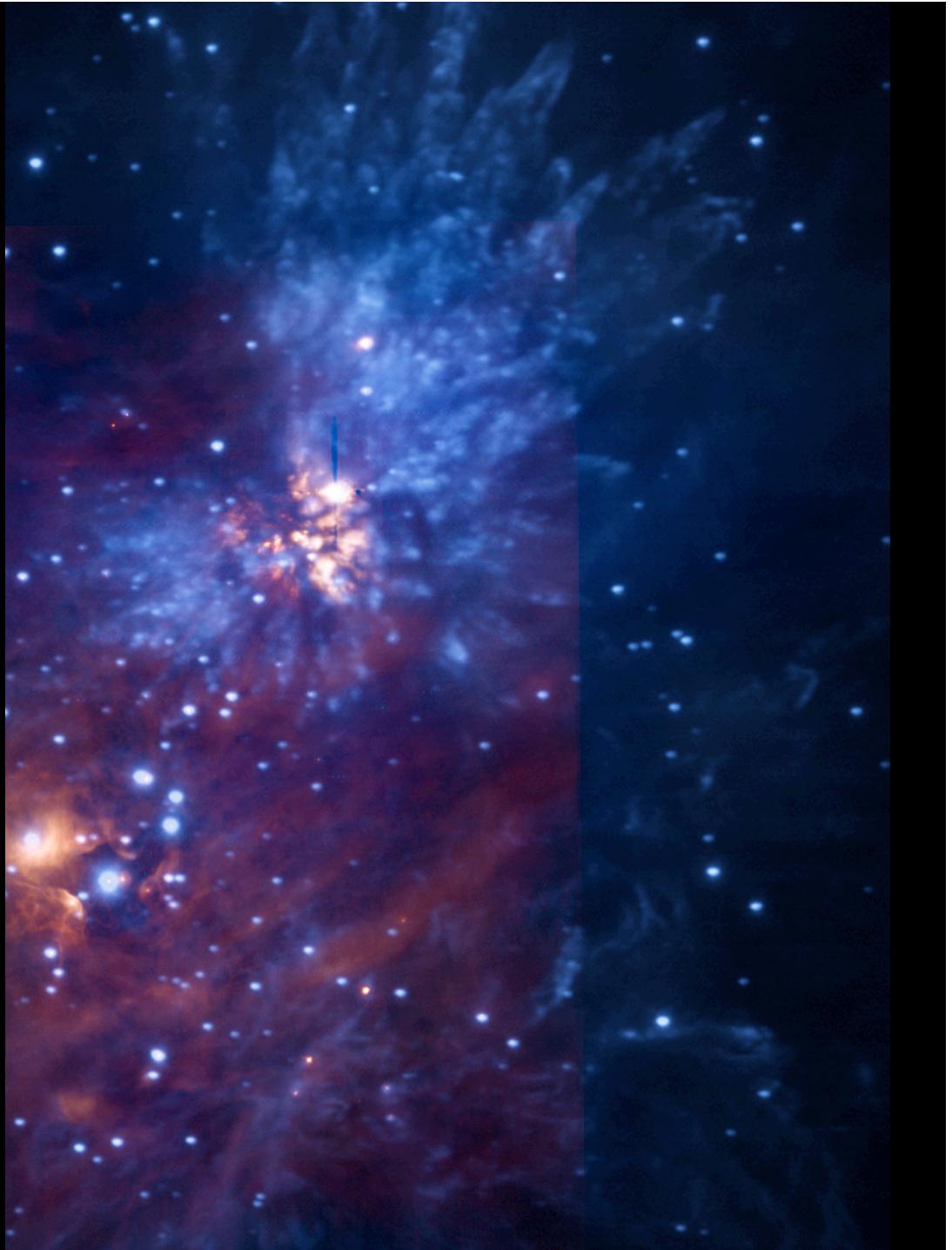
$2.12 \mu\text{m H}_2$  (blue)

$11.7 \mu\text{m}$  (orange)

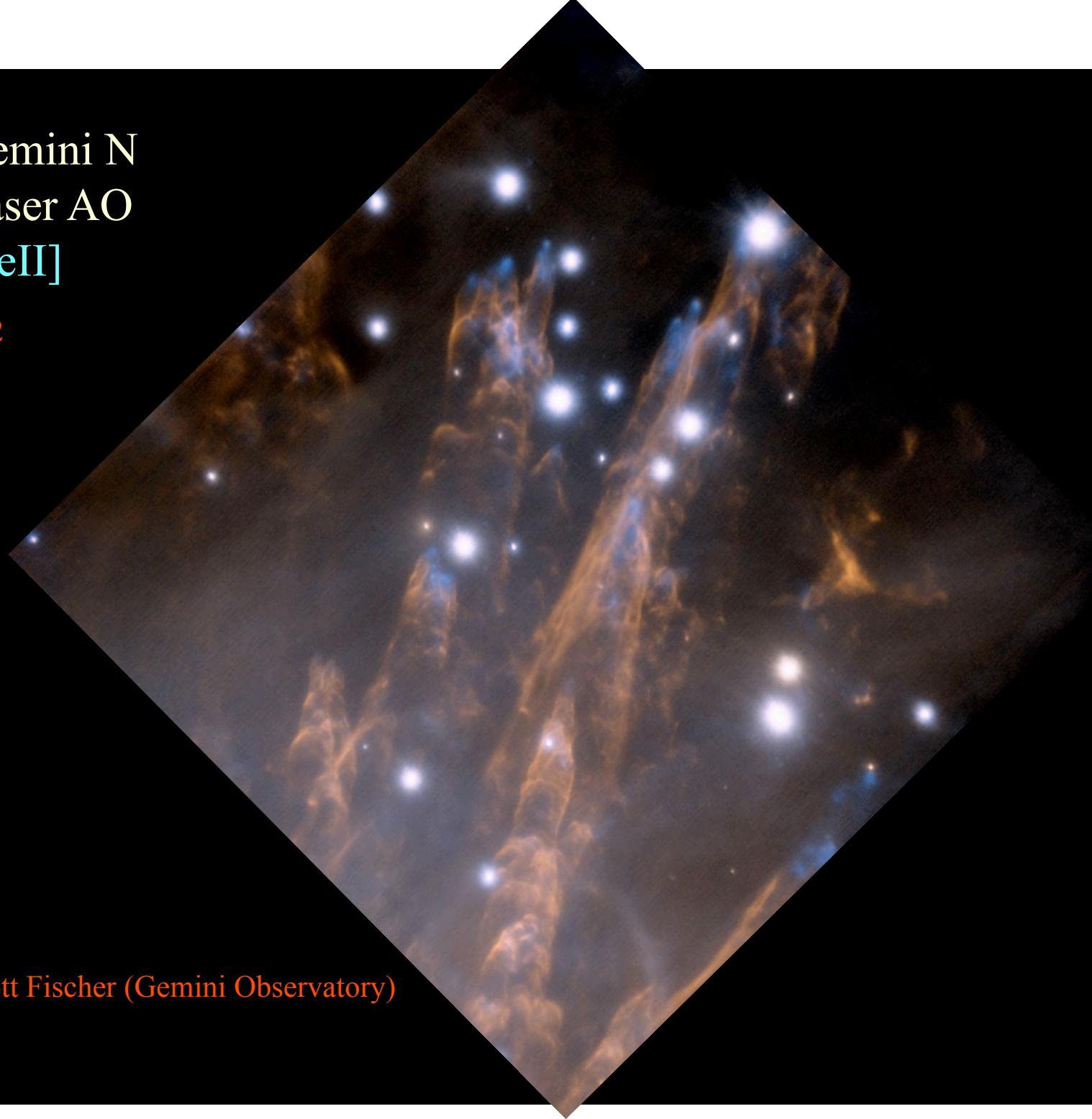
Smith et al. (2005)

+

Cunningham (2008)

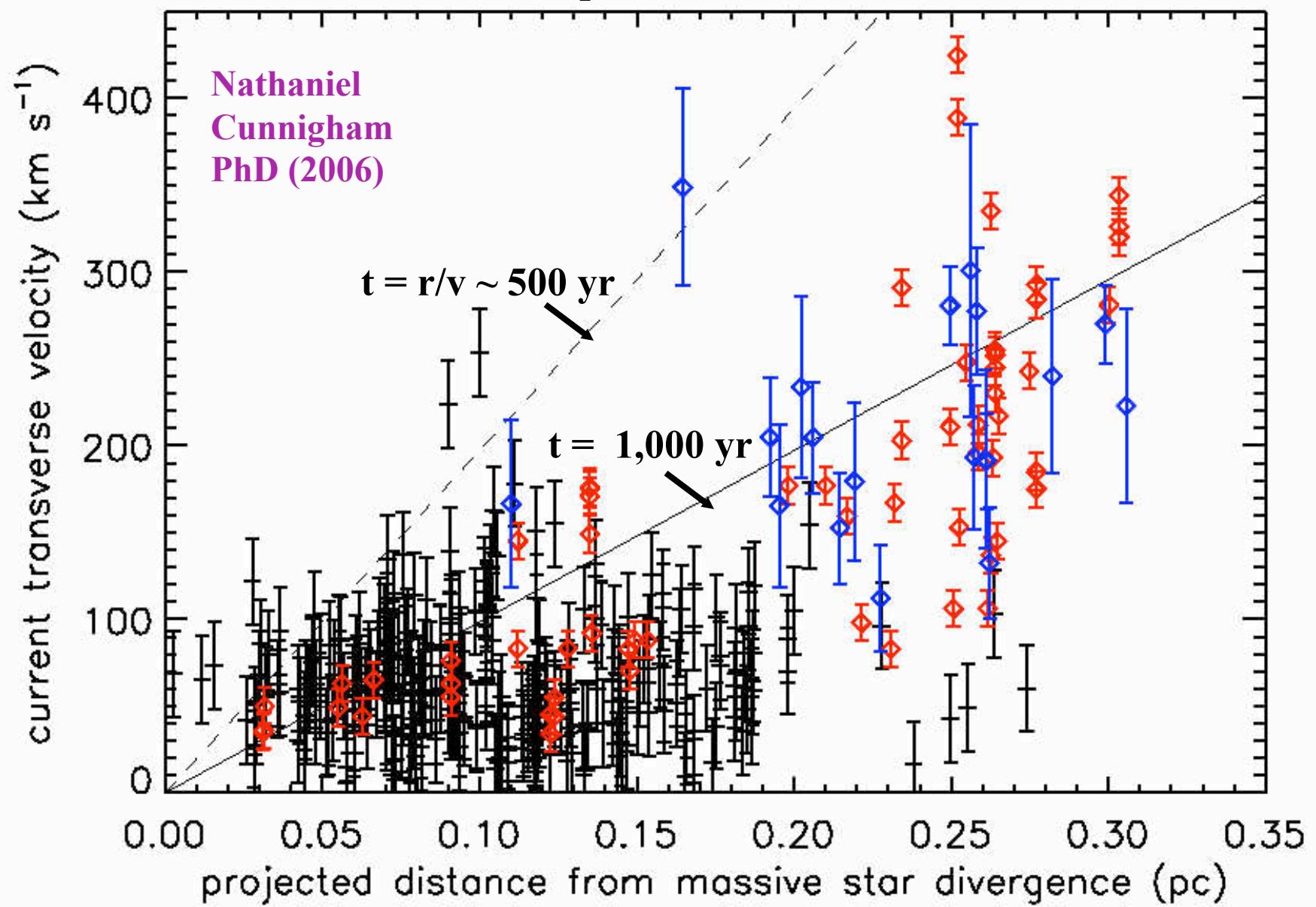


Gemini N  
Laser AO  
[FeII]  
 $\text{H}_2$



Scott Fischer (Gemini Observatory)

## H<sub>2</sub> Proper Motions



N. Cunningham, (PhD thesis 2006) ; Bally et al. (in prep)

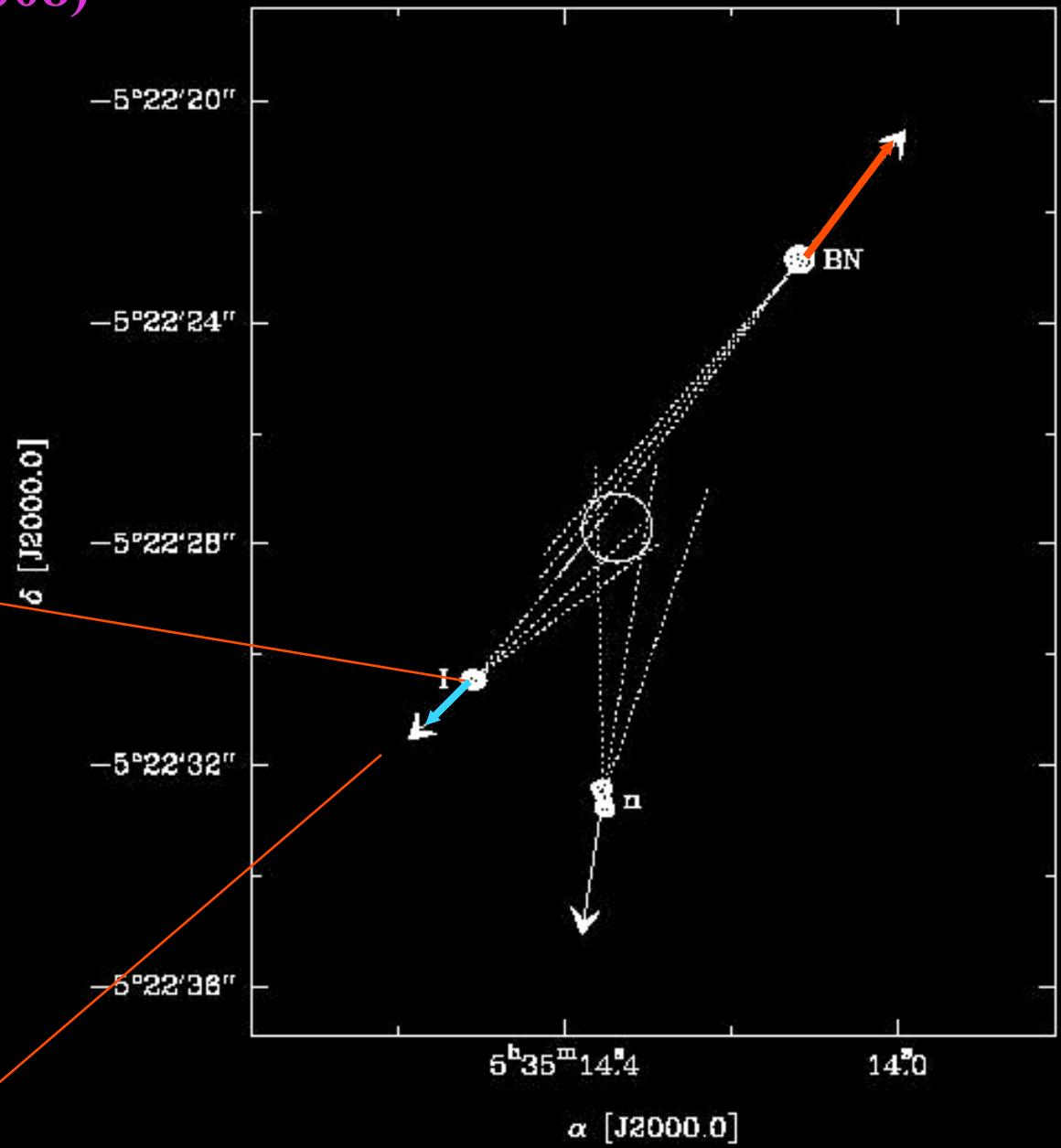
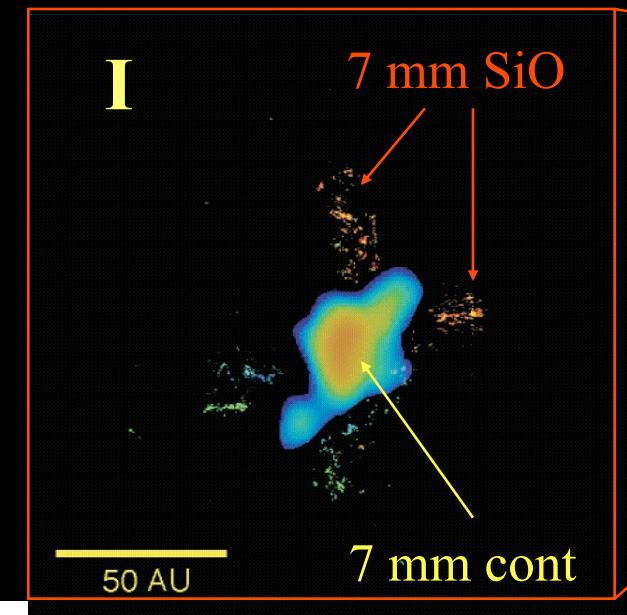
# High-velocity stars: I , BN , n

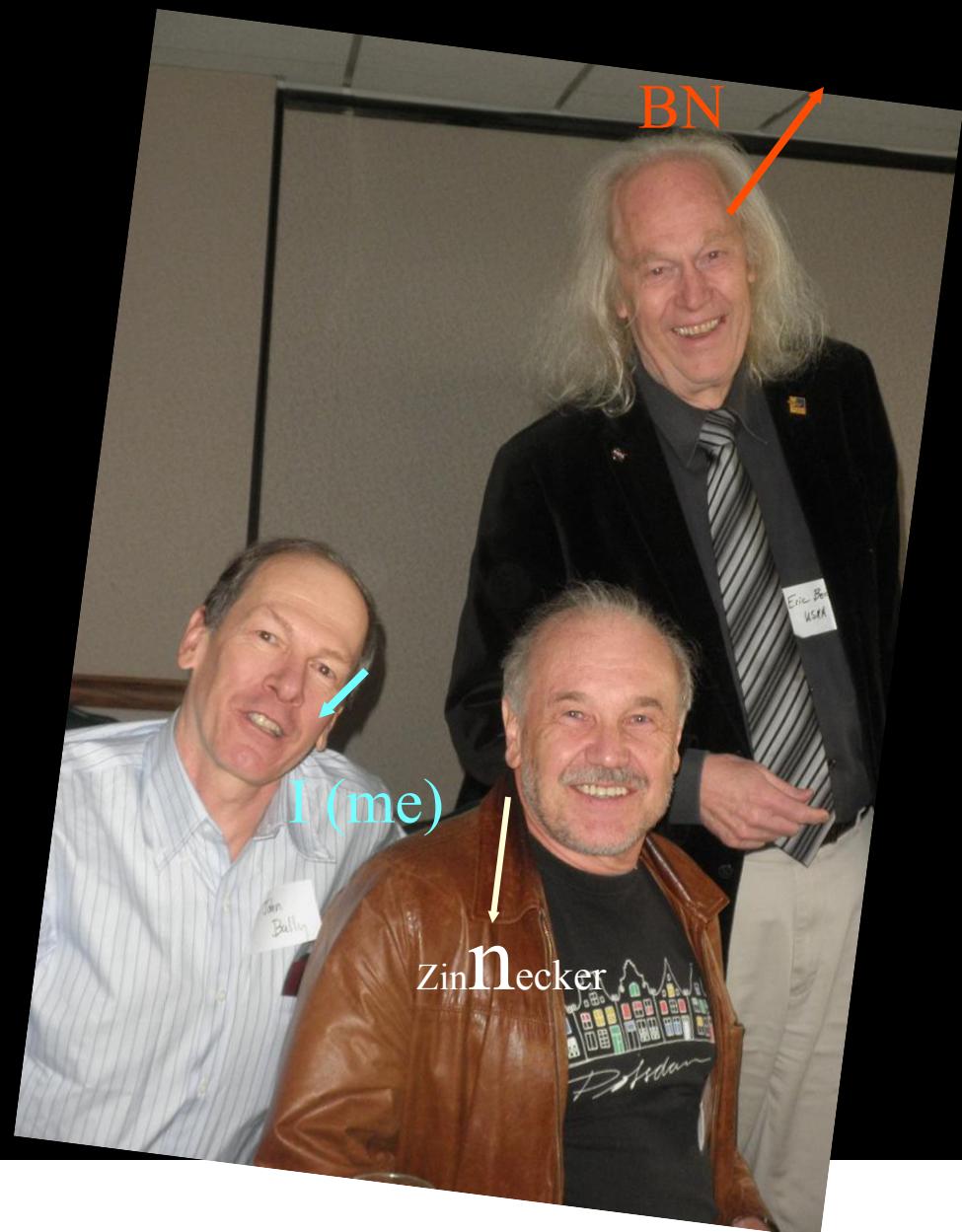
(Gomez et al. 2005, 2008)

BN:  $V \sim 30 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

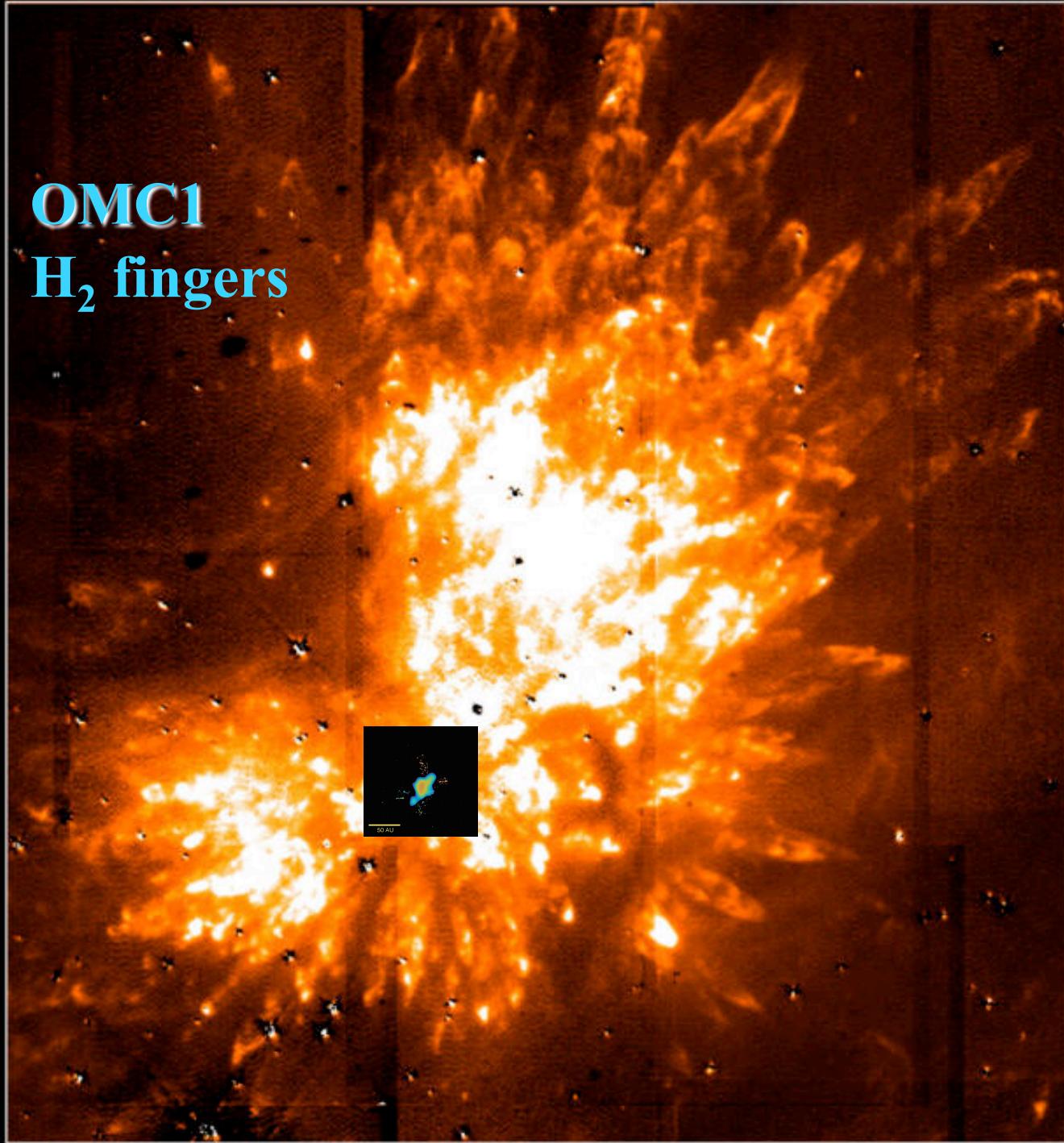
I:  $V \sim 13 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

n:  $V \sim 20 \text{ km s}^{-1}$





**OMC1  
 $H_2$  fingers**

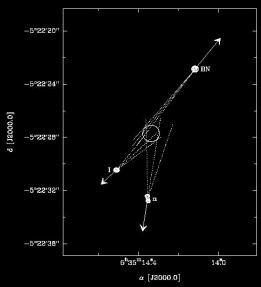


Kaifu et al.  
(00);  
Underhill et al.  
(01)

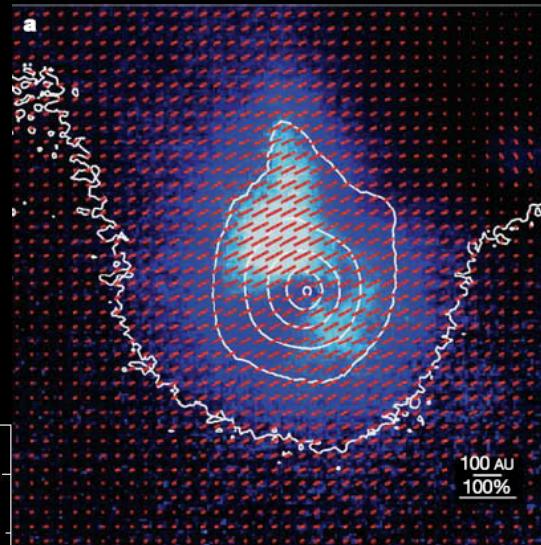
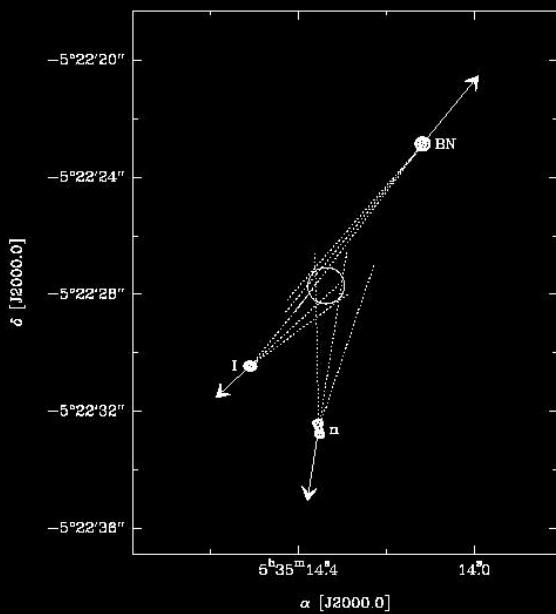
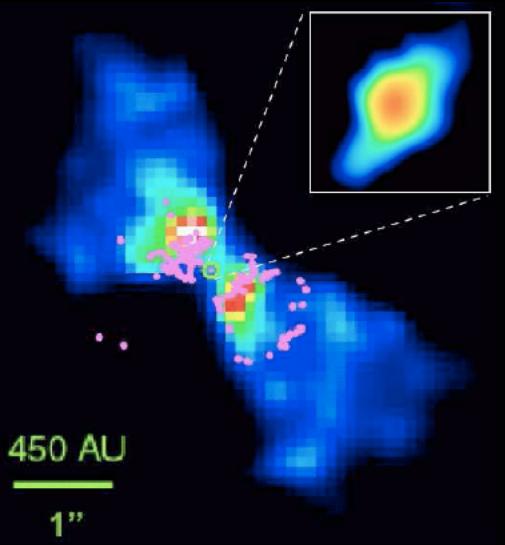


Orion KL

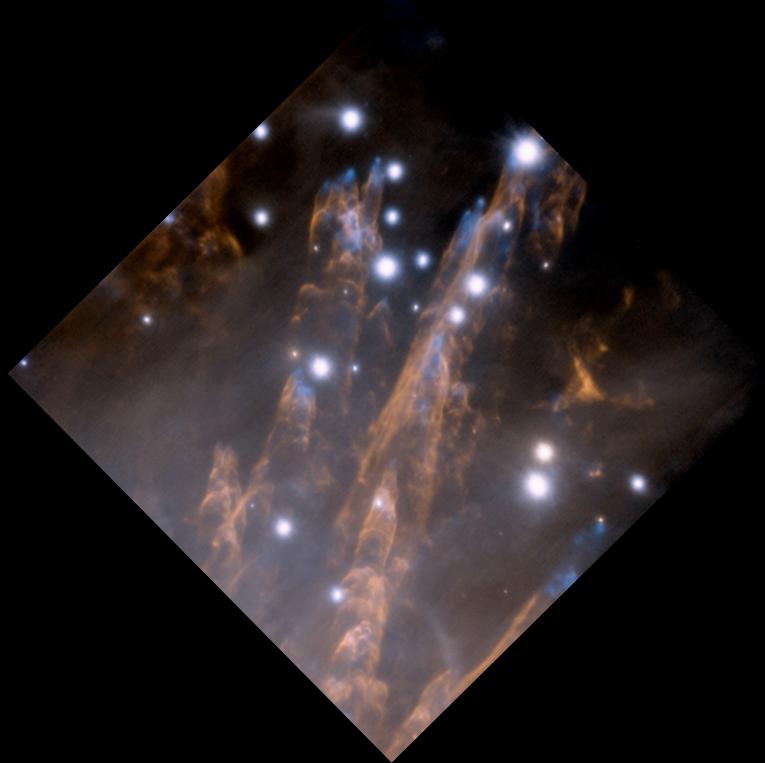
CISCO ( $H_2$  ( $v=1-0$  S(1)) – Cont)



Source I:  
SiO  
H<sub>2</sub>O  
7 mm continuum (H<sup>-</sup>)  
(Reid 07, ApJL)



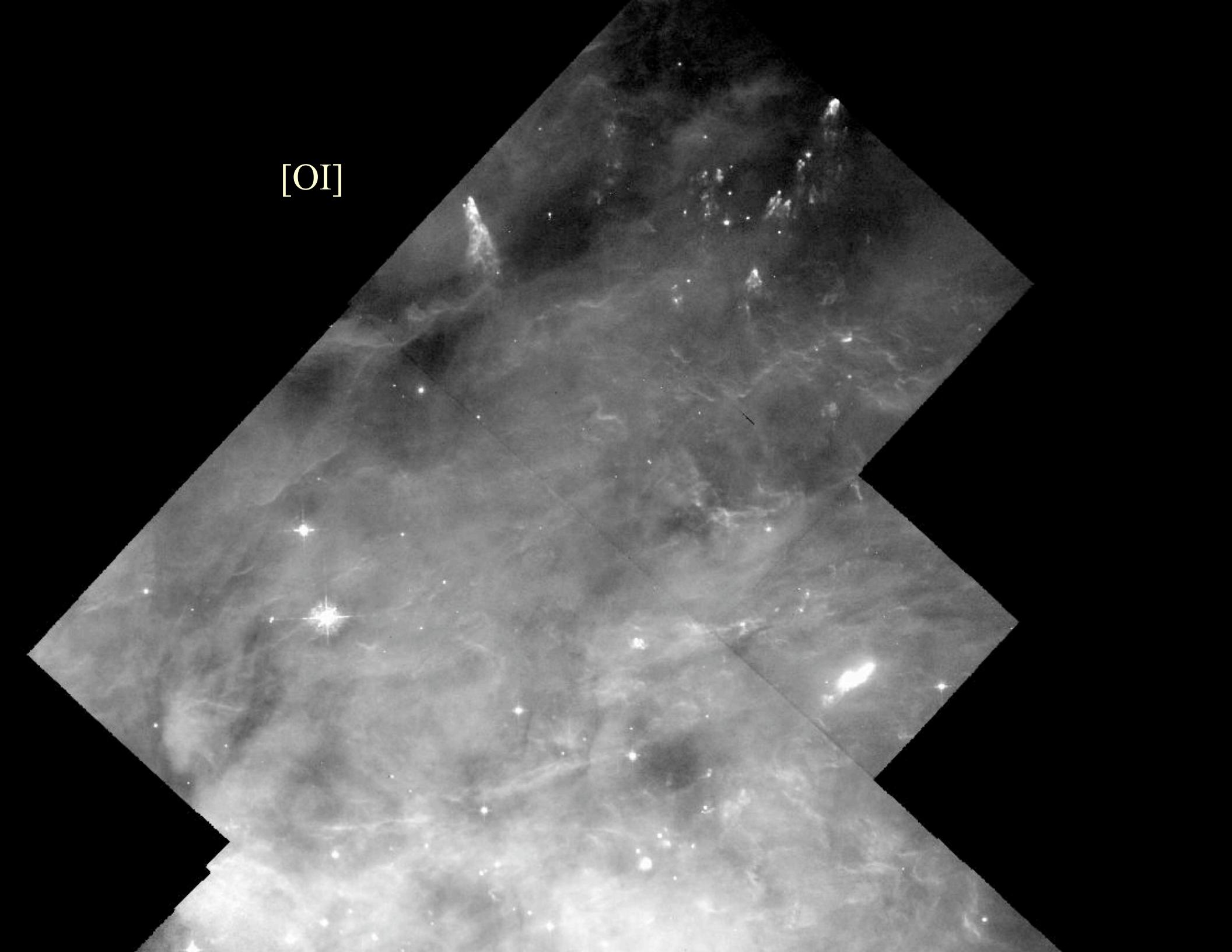
BN polarization  
(Jiang 06, Nature)



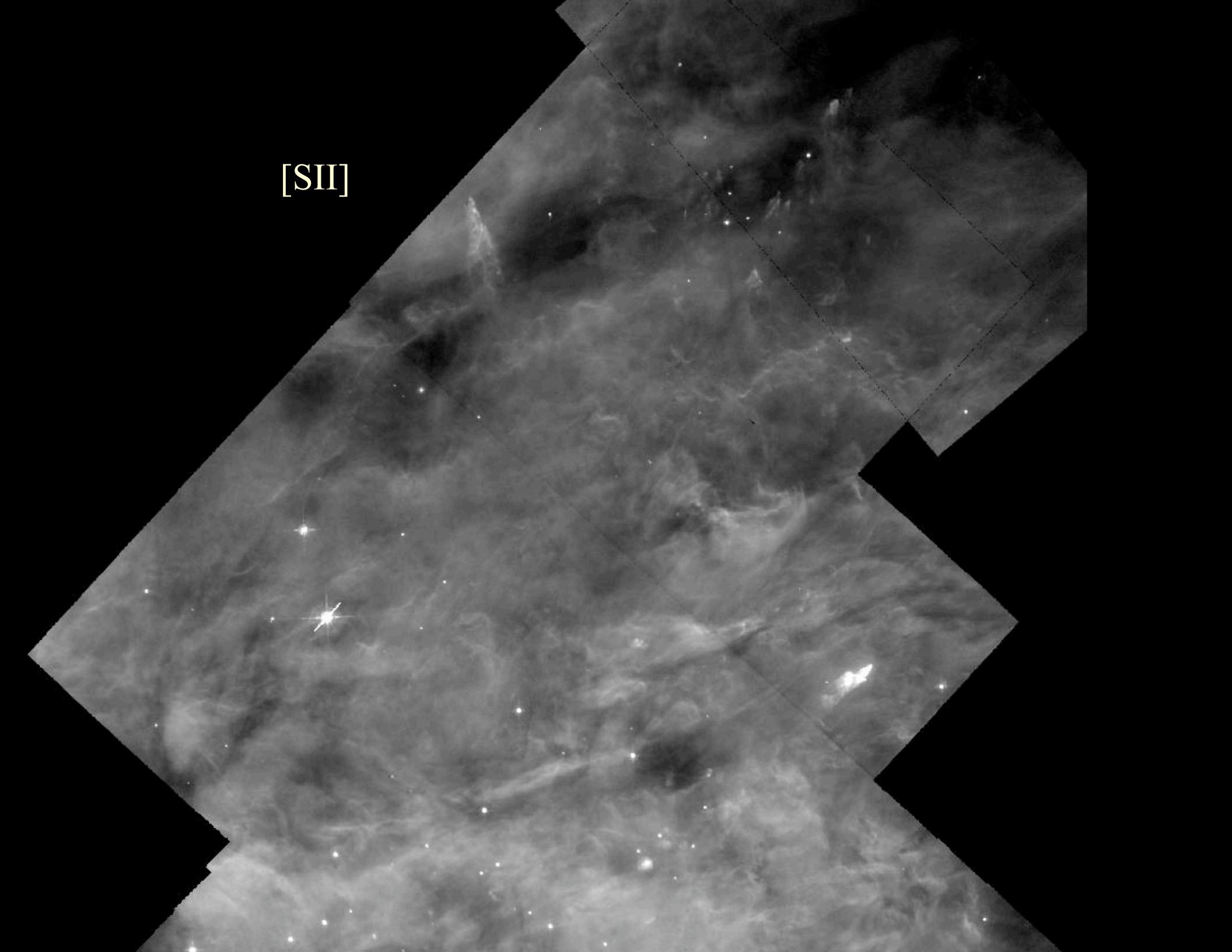
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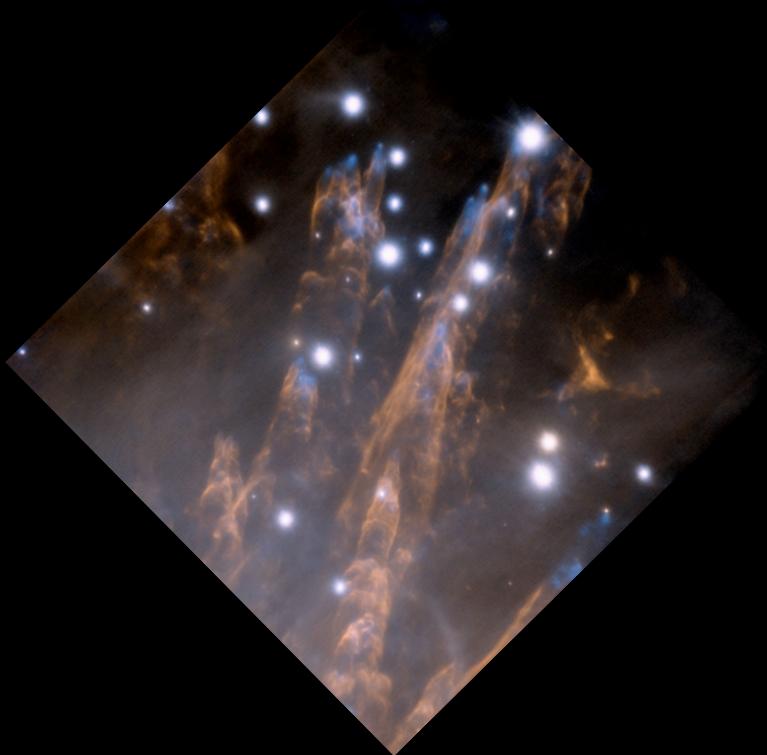


[OI]

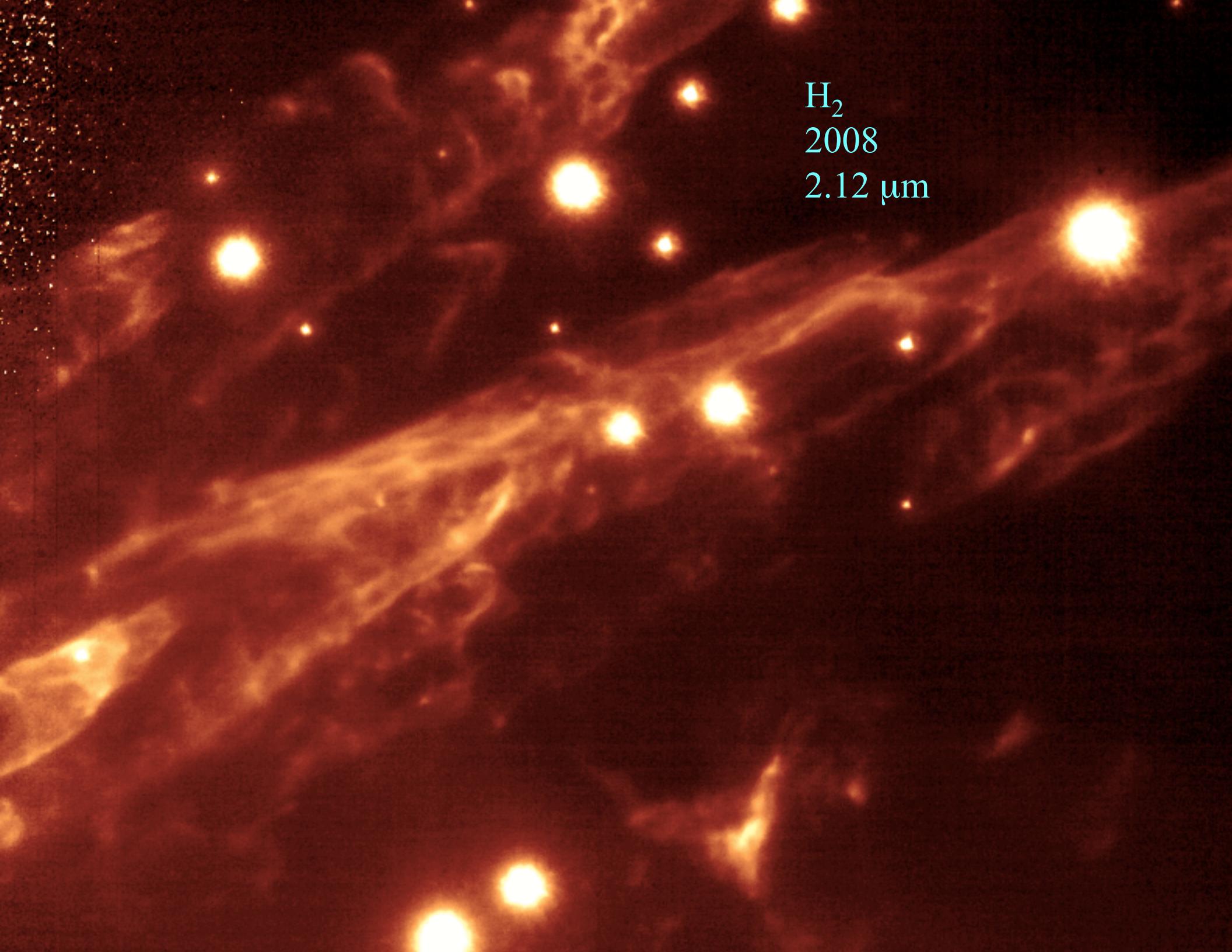


[SII]

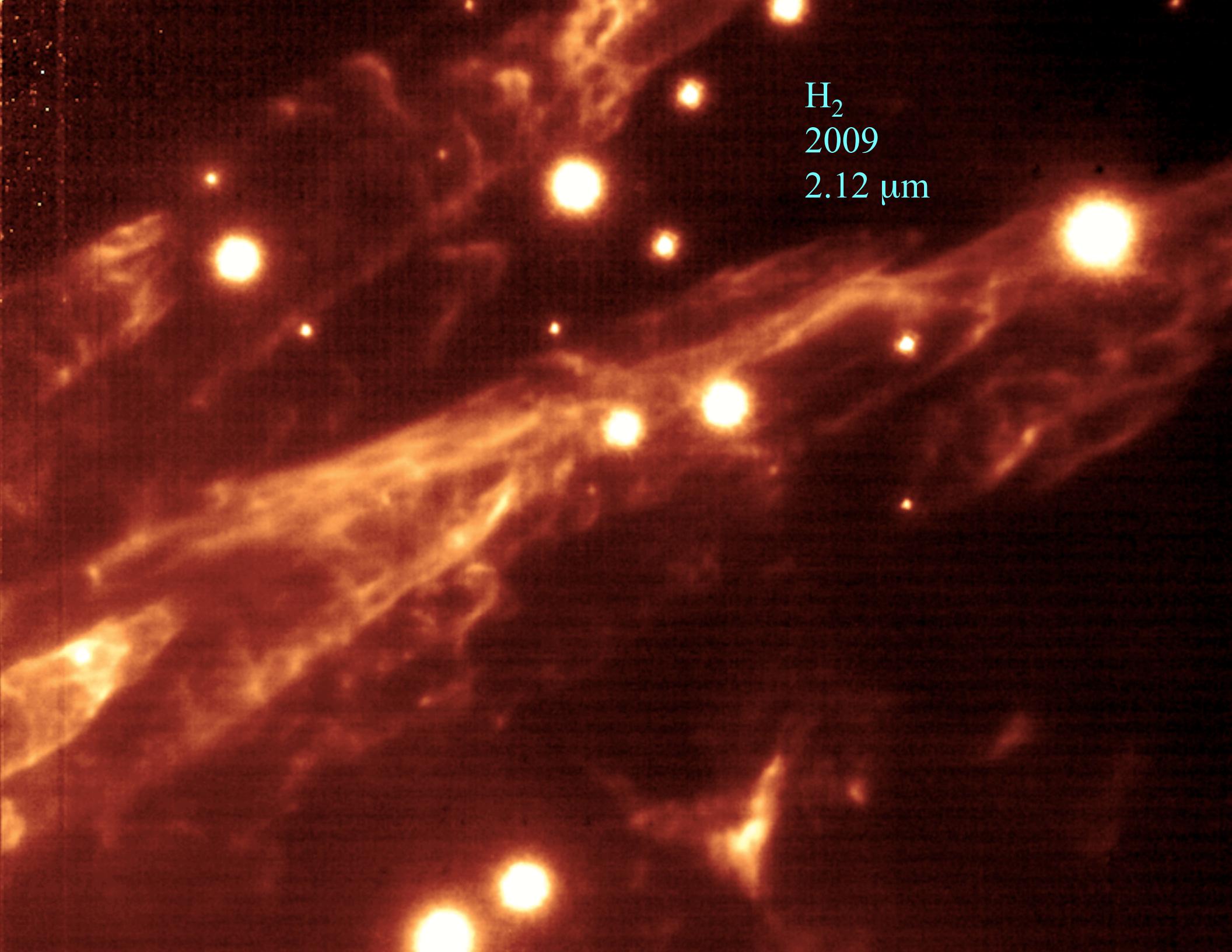




$H_2$   
2007  
2.12  $\mu m$

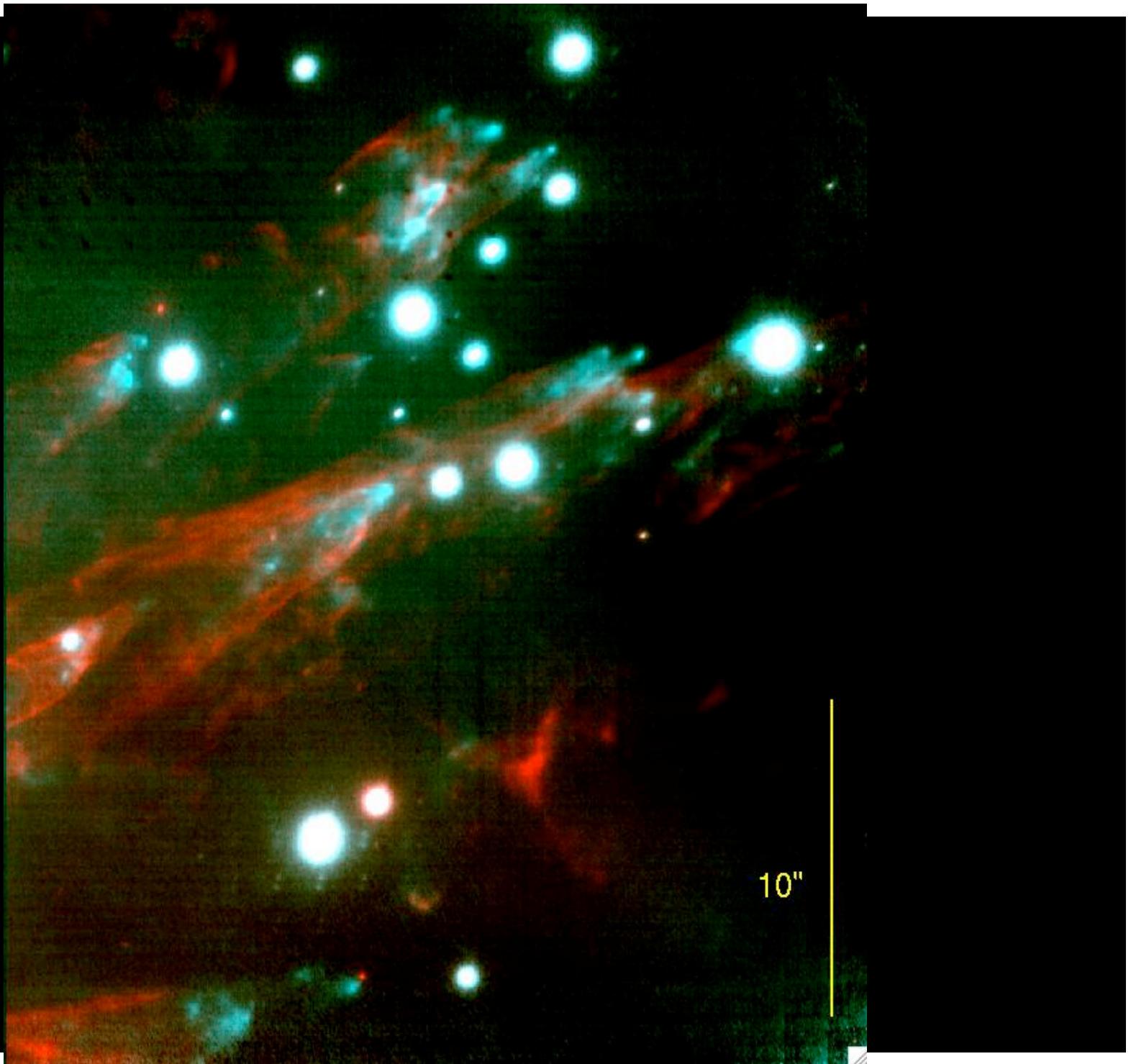


$H_2$   
2008  
2.12  $\mu m$

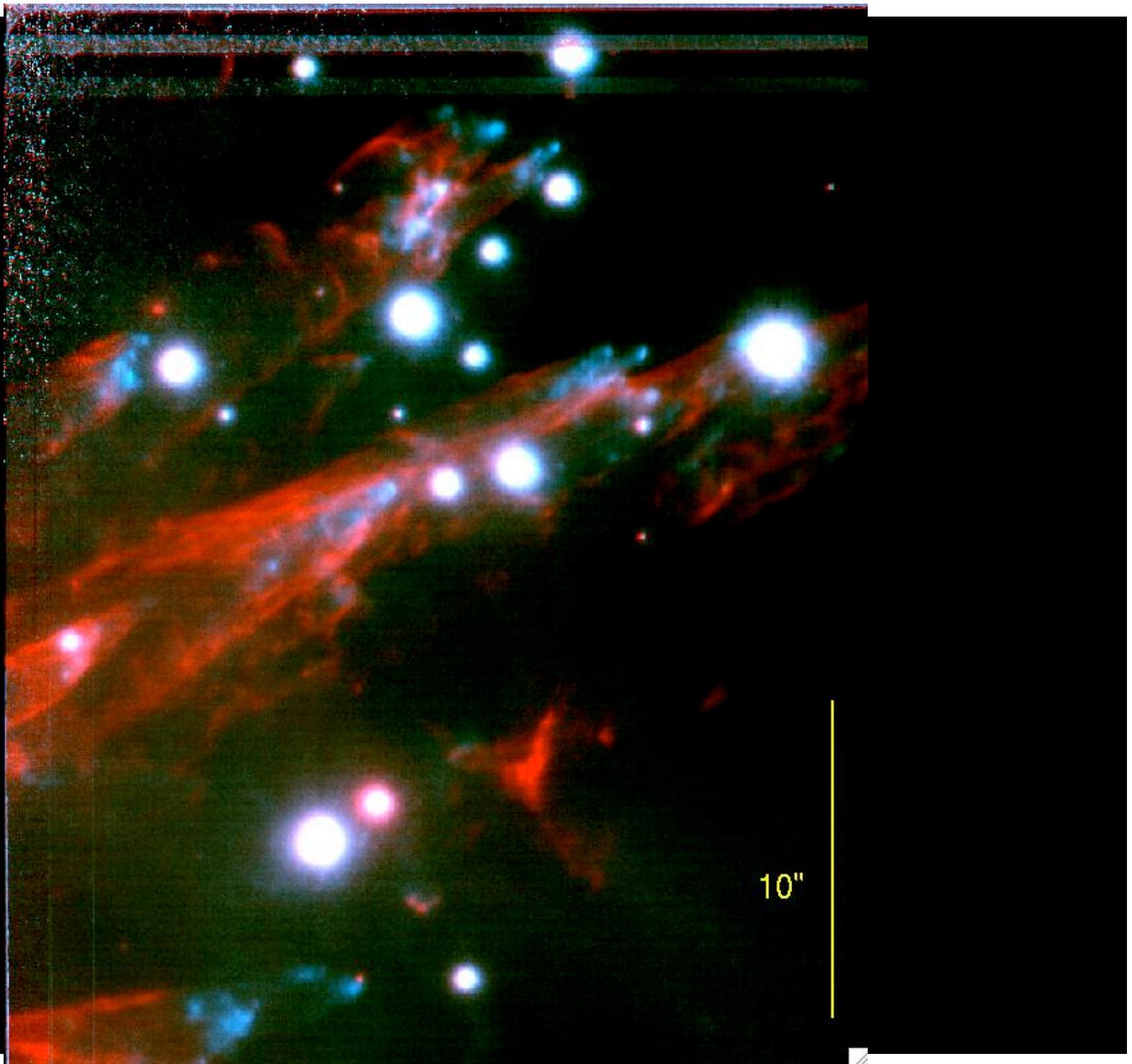


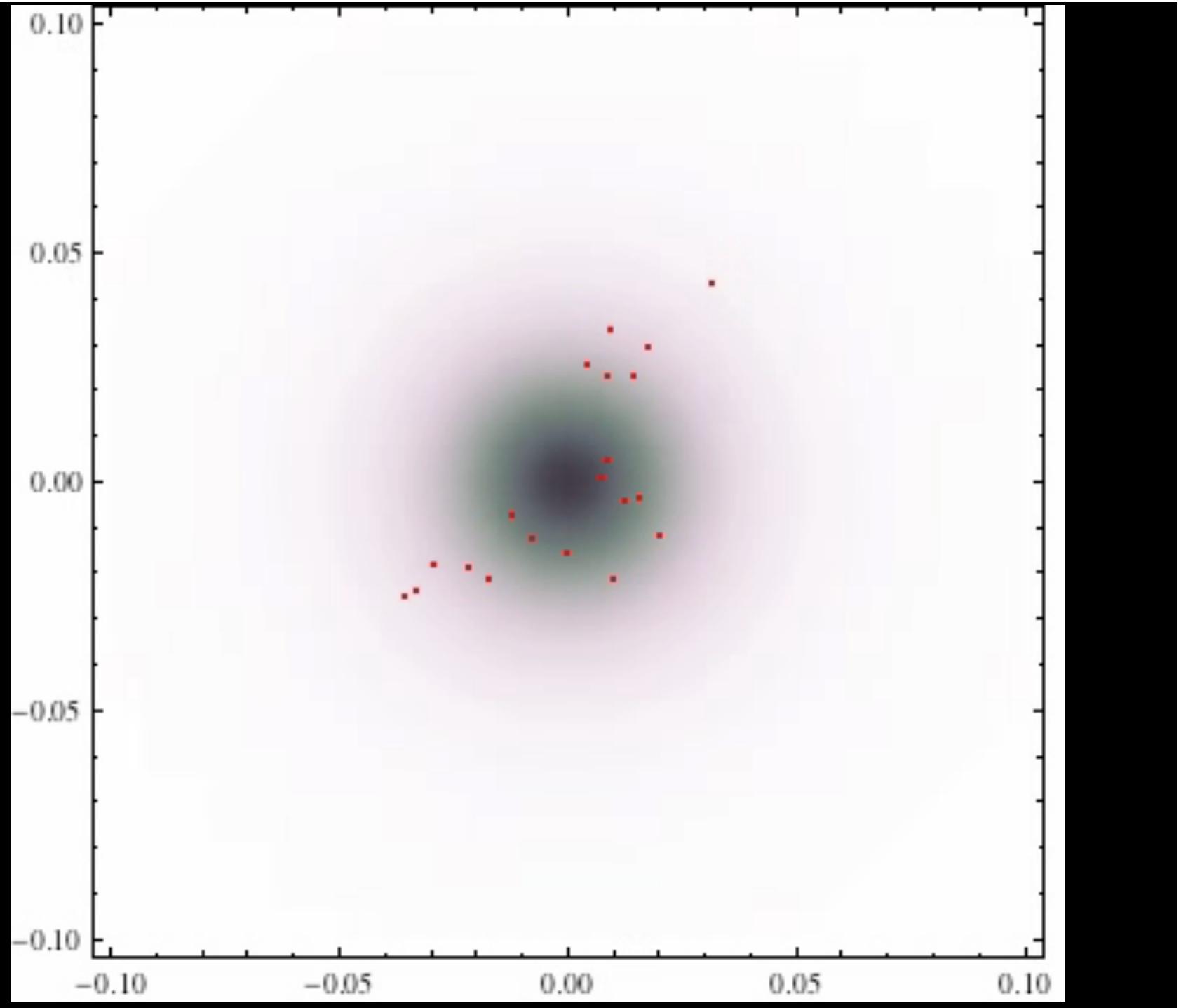
$H_2$   
2009  
2.12  $\mu m$

[FeII], H<sub>2</sub>  
2007



[FeII], H<sub>2</sub>  
2008

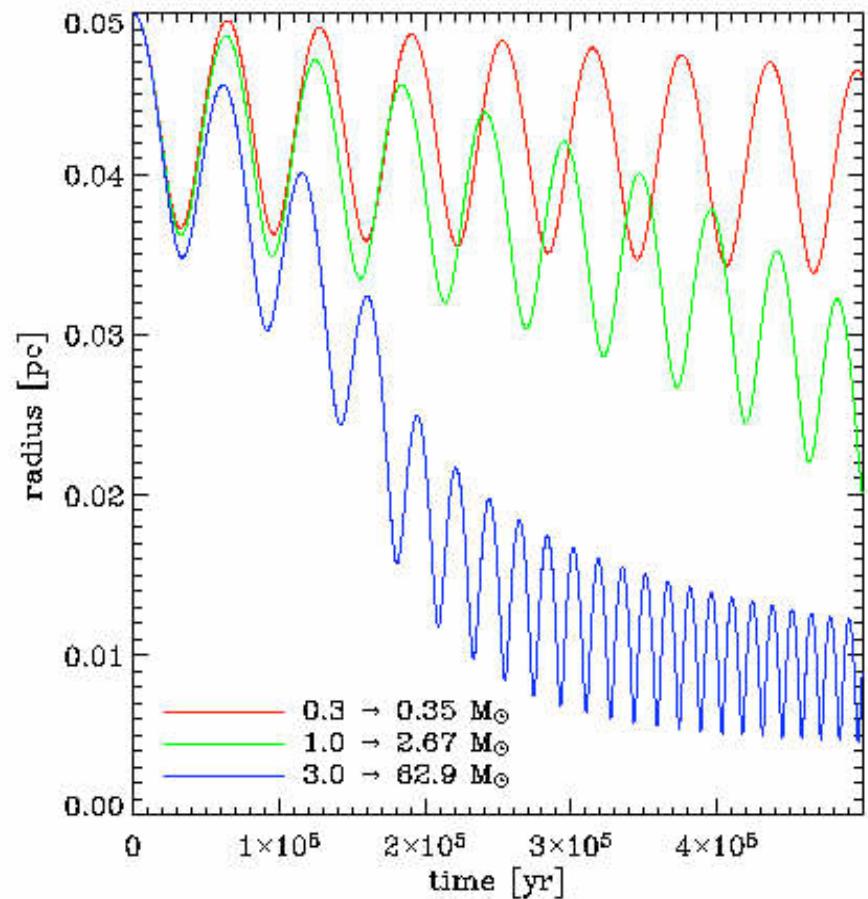
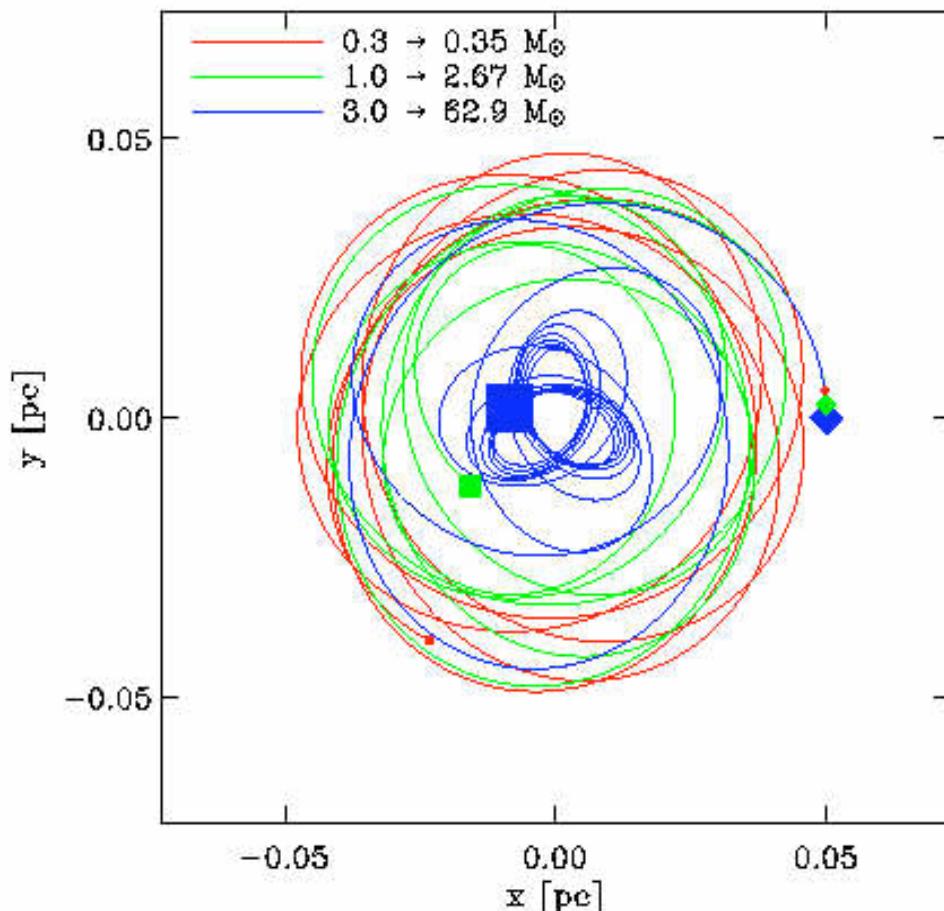




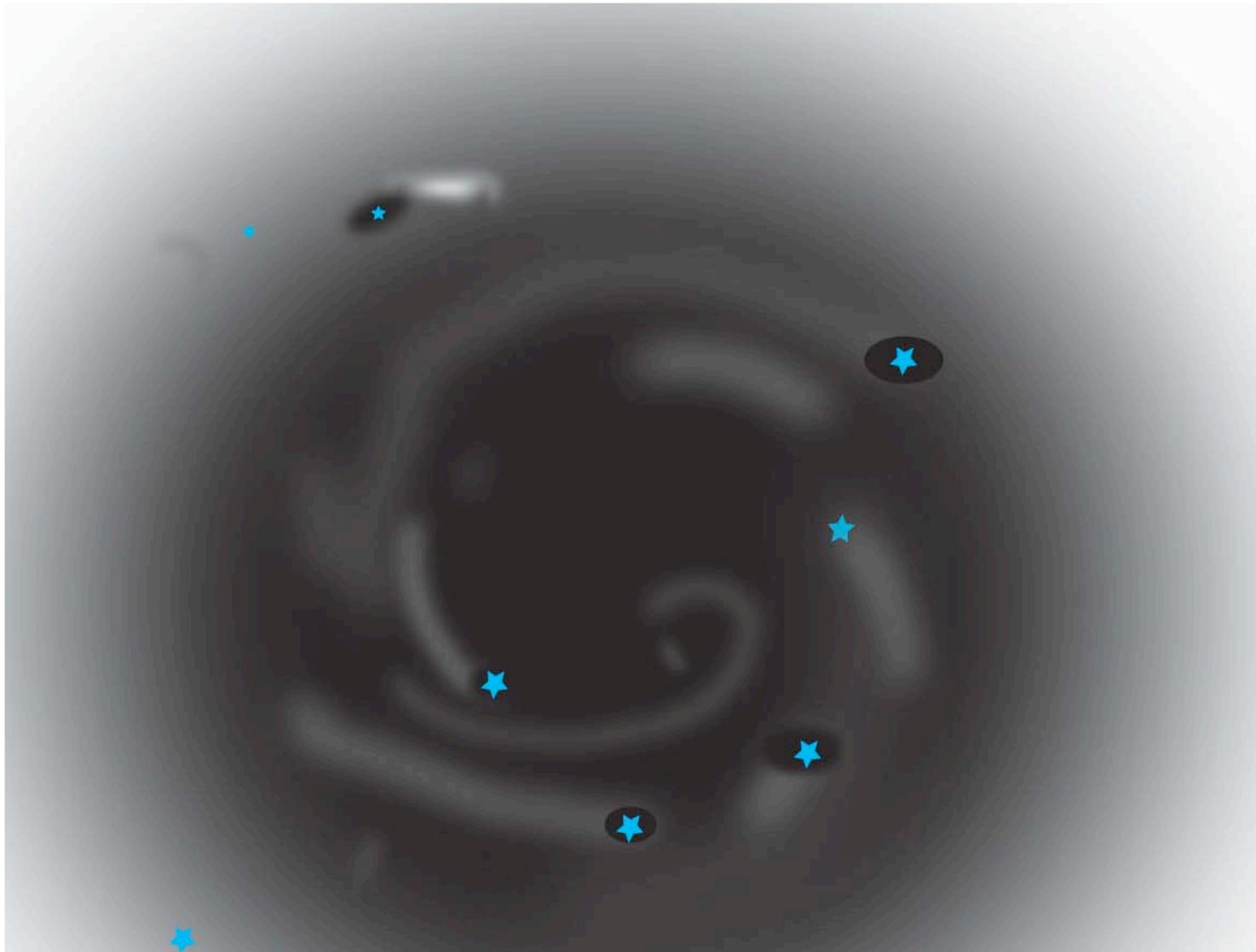
# Orbit Decay:

Massive stars orbiting in  $r^{-2}$  sphere of gas

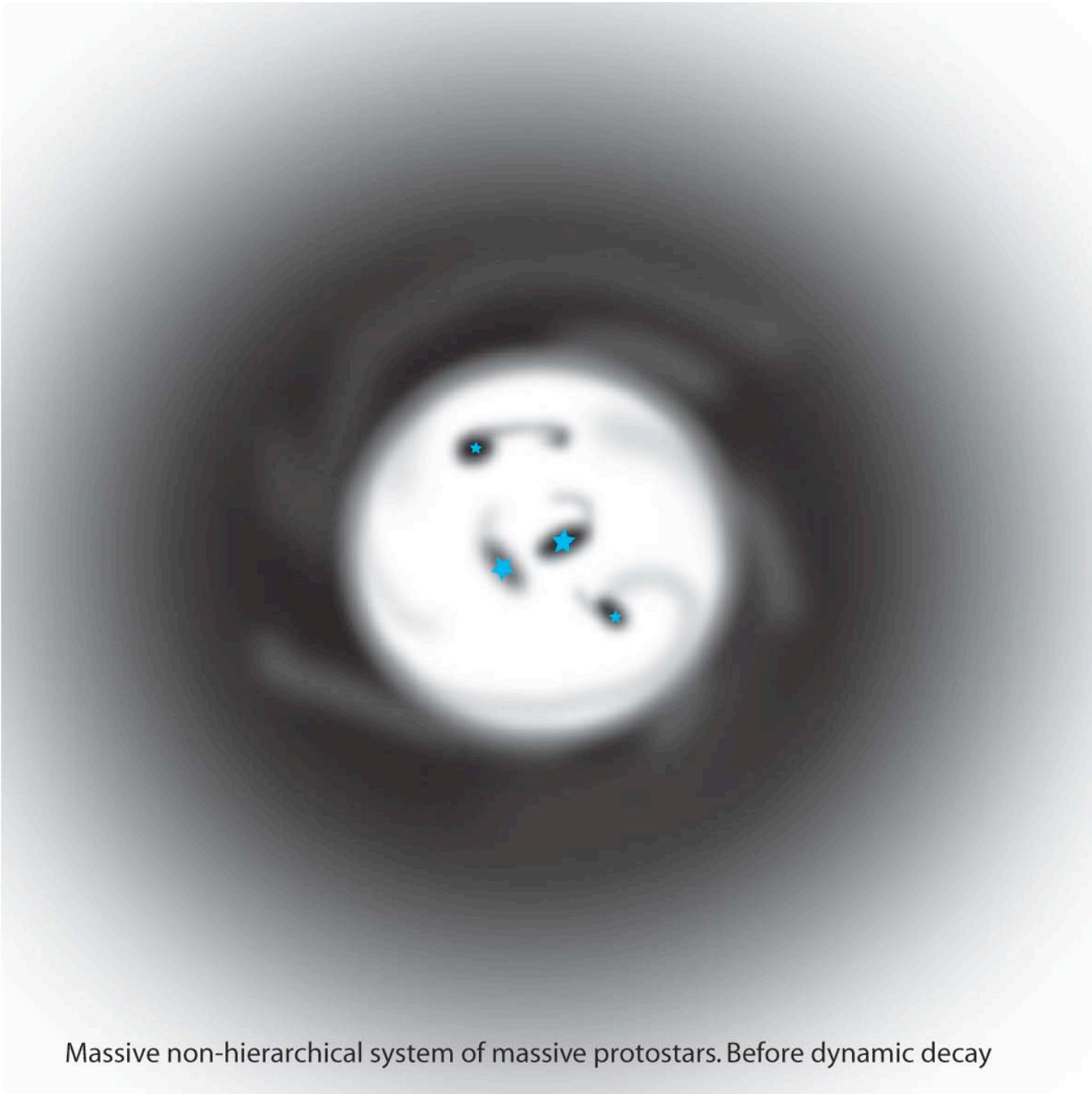
Bondi-Hoyle accretion + dynamic friction  $\Rightarrow$  migration of massive \*s



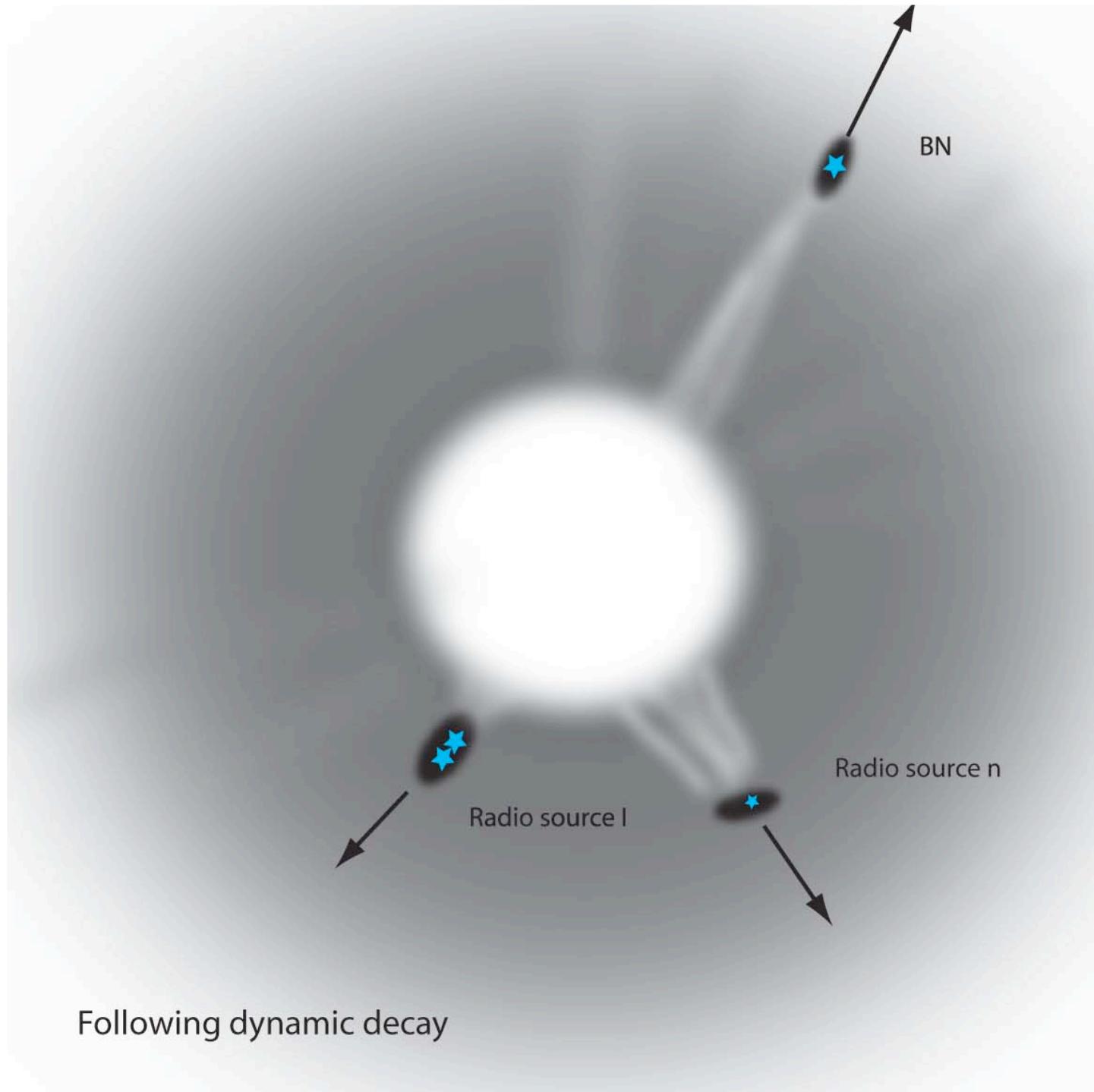
Nick Moeckel PhD Thesis (CU Boulder, 2008)



Before formation of non-hierarchical multiple of massive stars



Massive non-hierarchical system of massive protostars. Before dynamic decay



# Cepheus A

Cunningham, Moeckel, & Bally



# Cepheus A

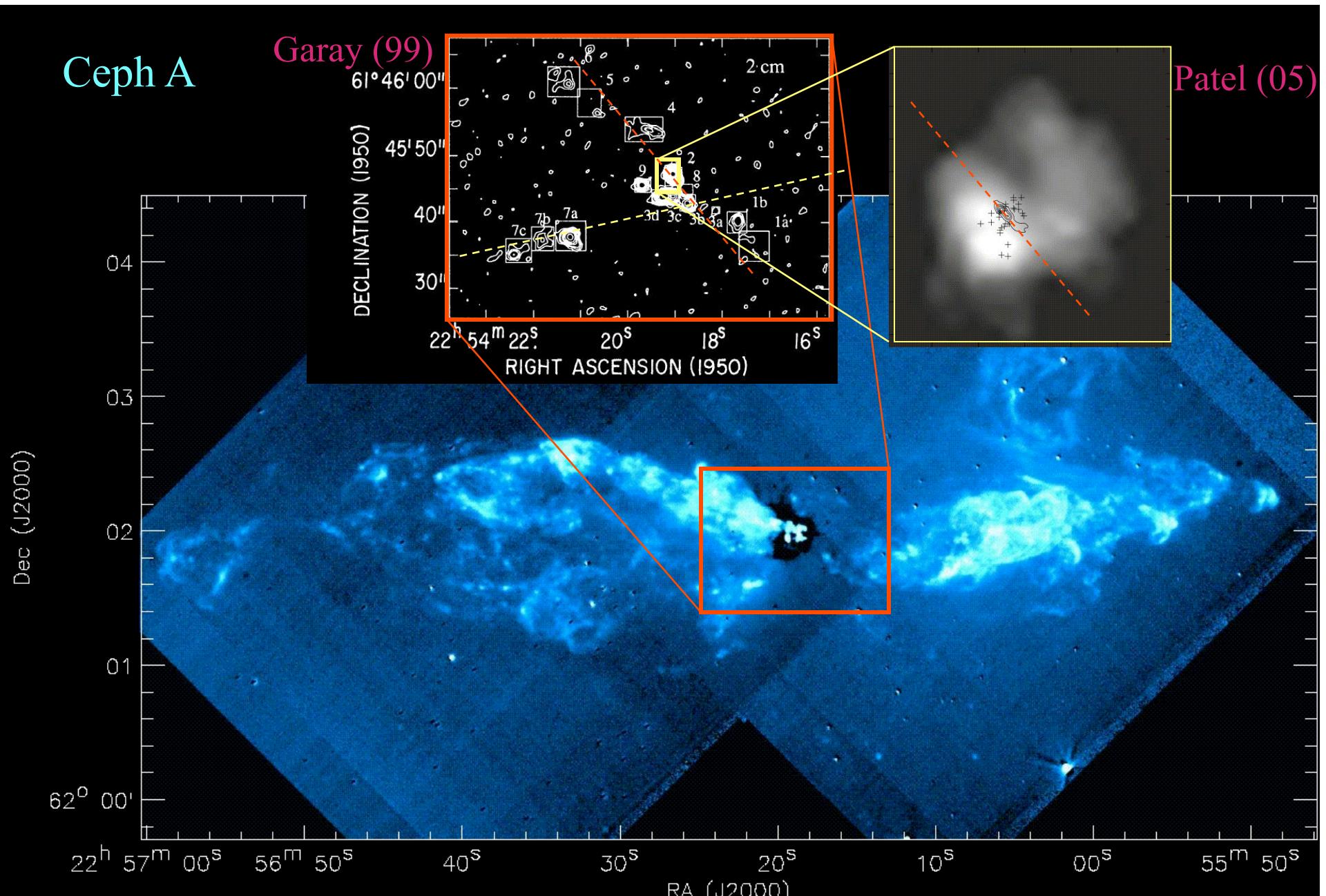
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Ceph A

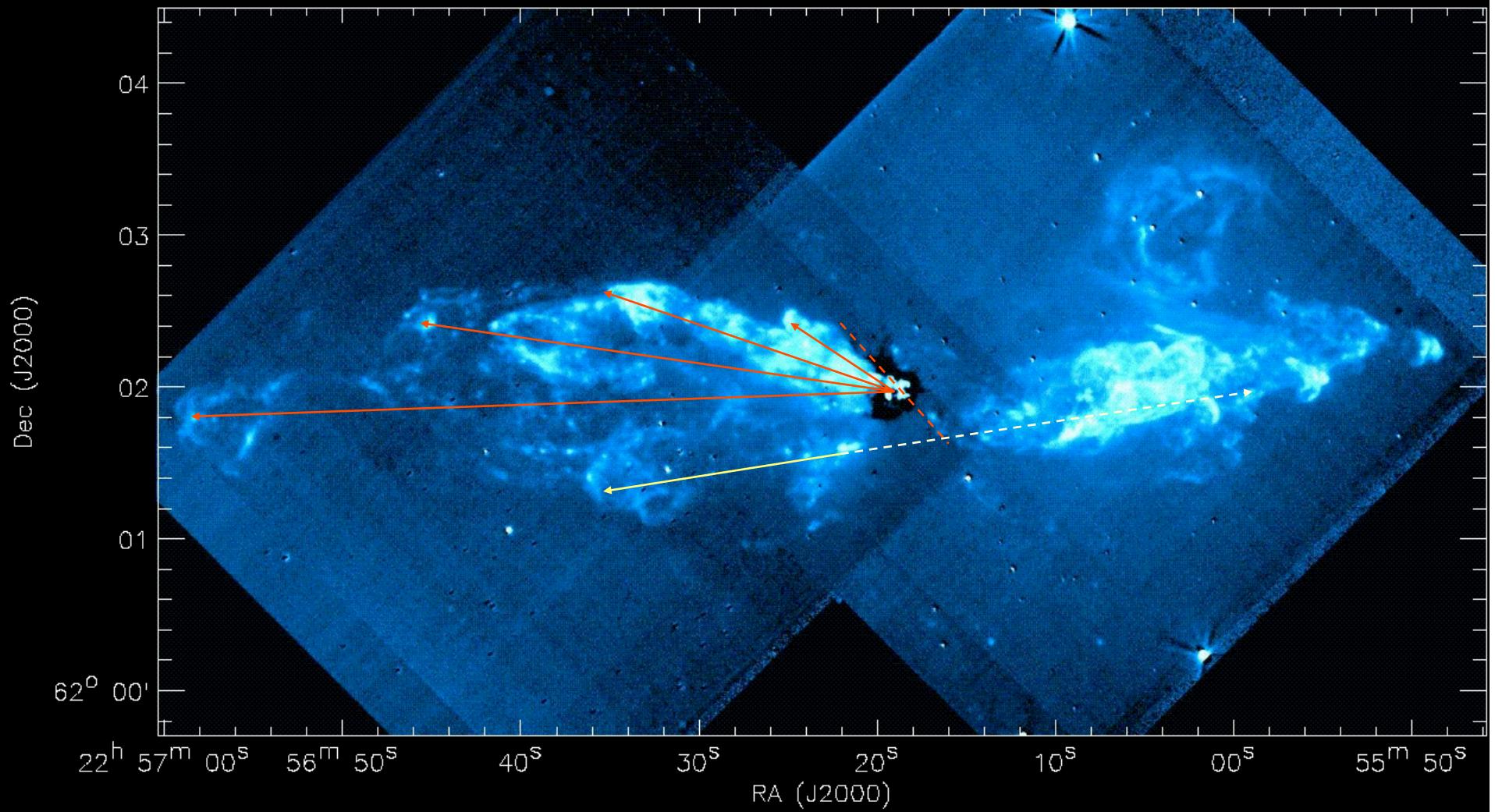
Garay (99)

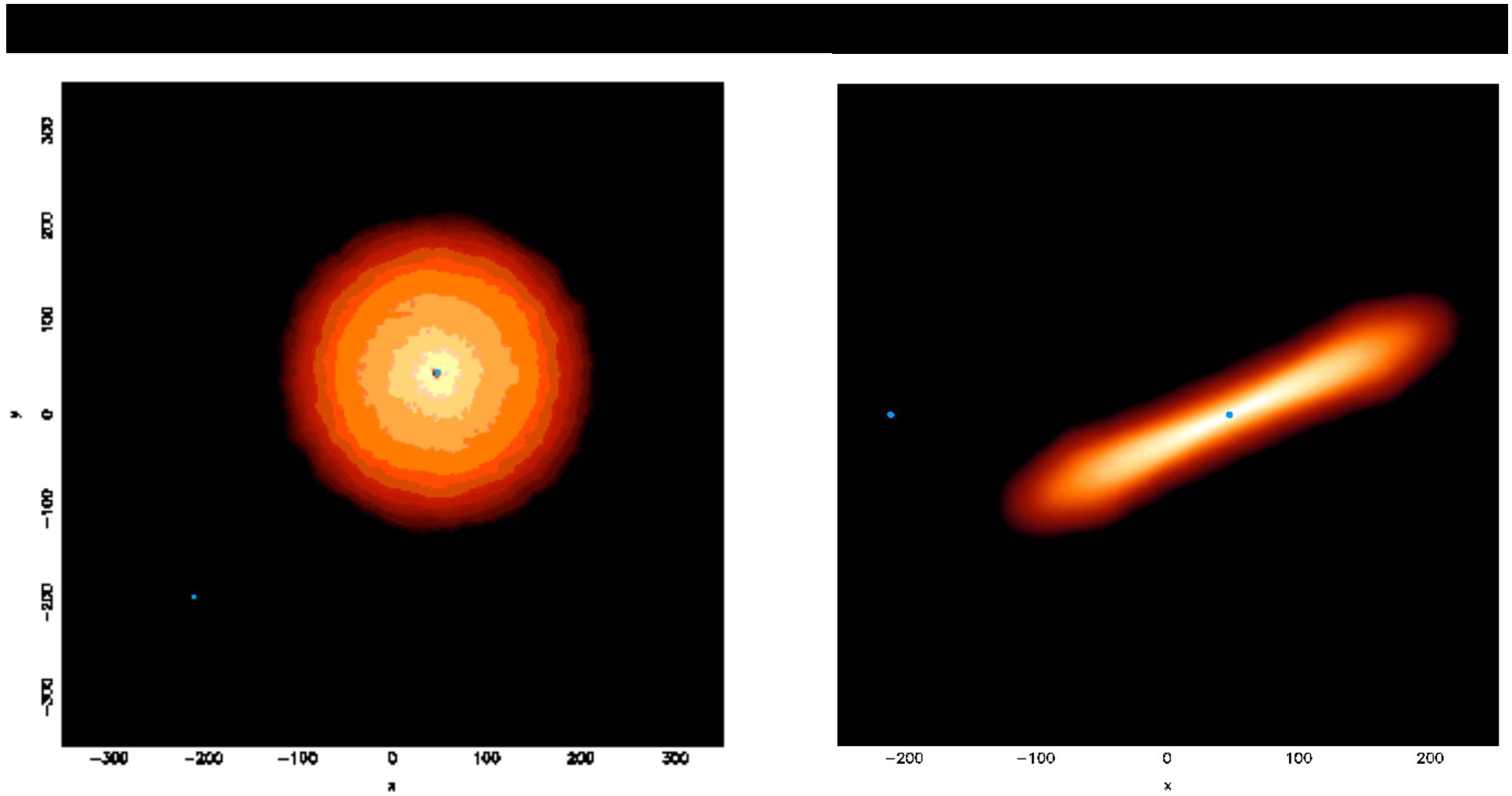
Patel (05)



Cunningham, Moeckel, & Bally

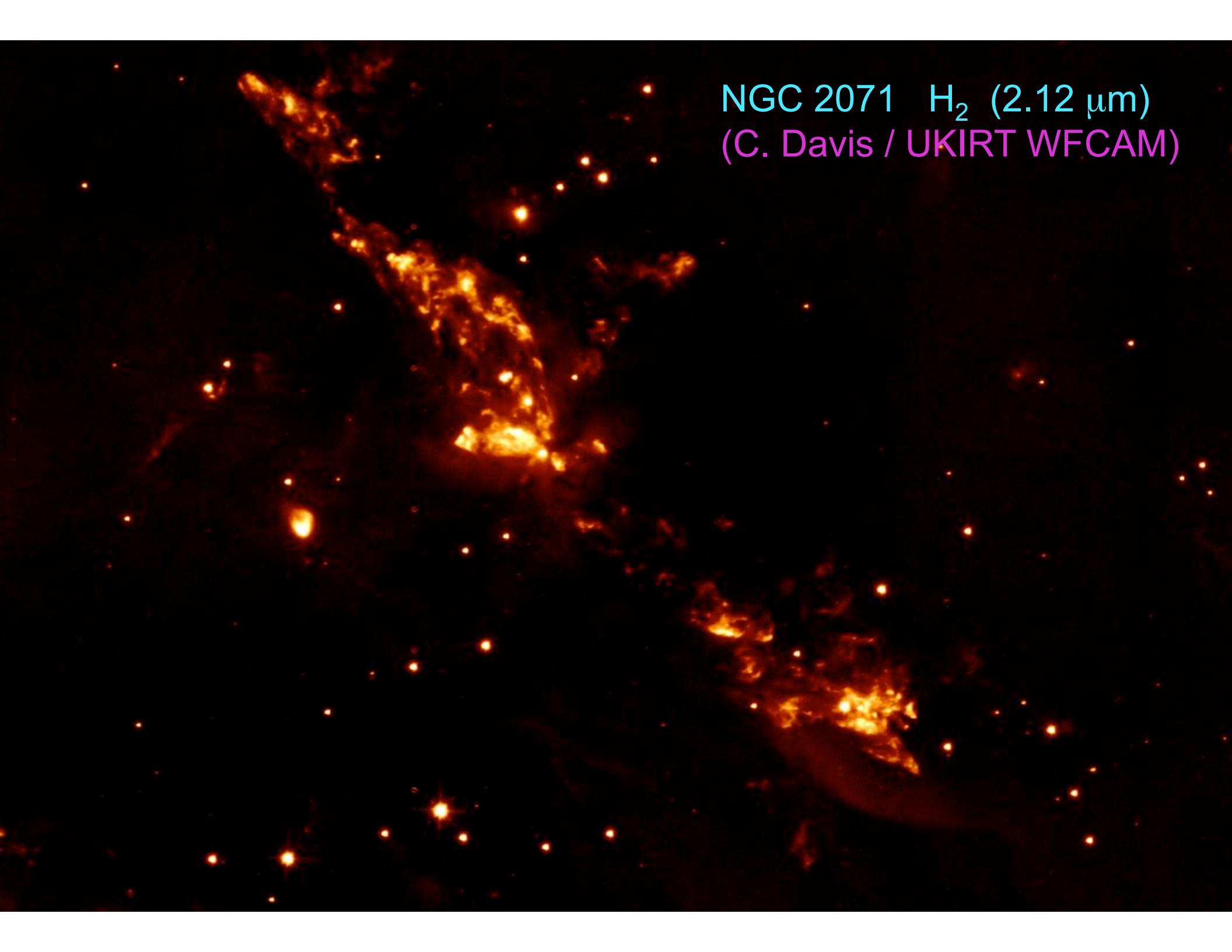
# Ceph A precessing jet: $P \sim 2 \times 10^3$ yr ? Cunningham, Moeckel, & Bally





Moeckel & Bally (2005, 2006, 2007) SPH:  
Massive star capture-formed binary: Disk orientation change

NGC 2071 H<sub>2</sub> (2.12 μm)  
(C. Davis / UKIRT WFCAM)



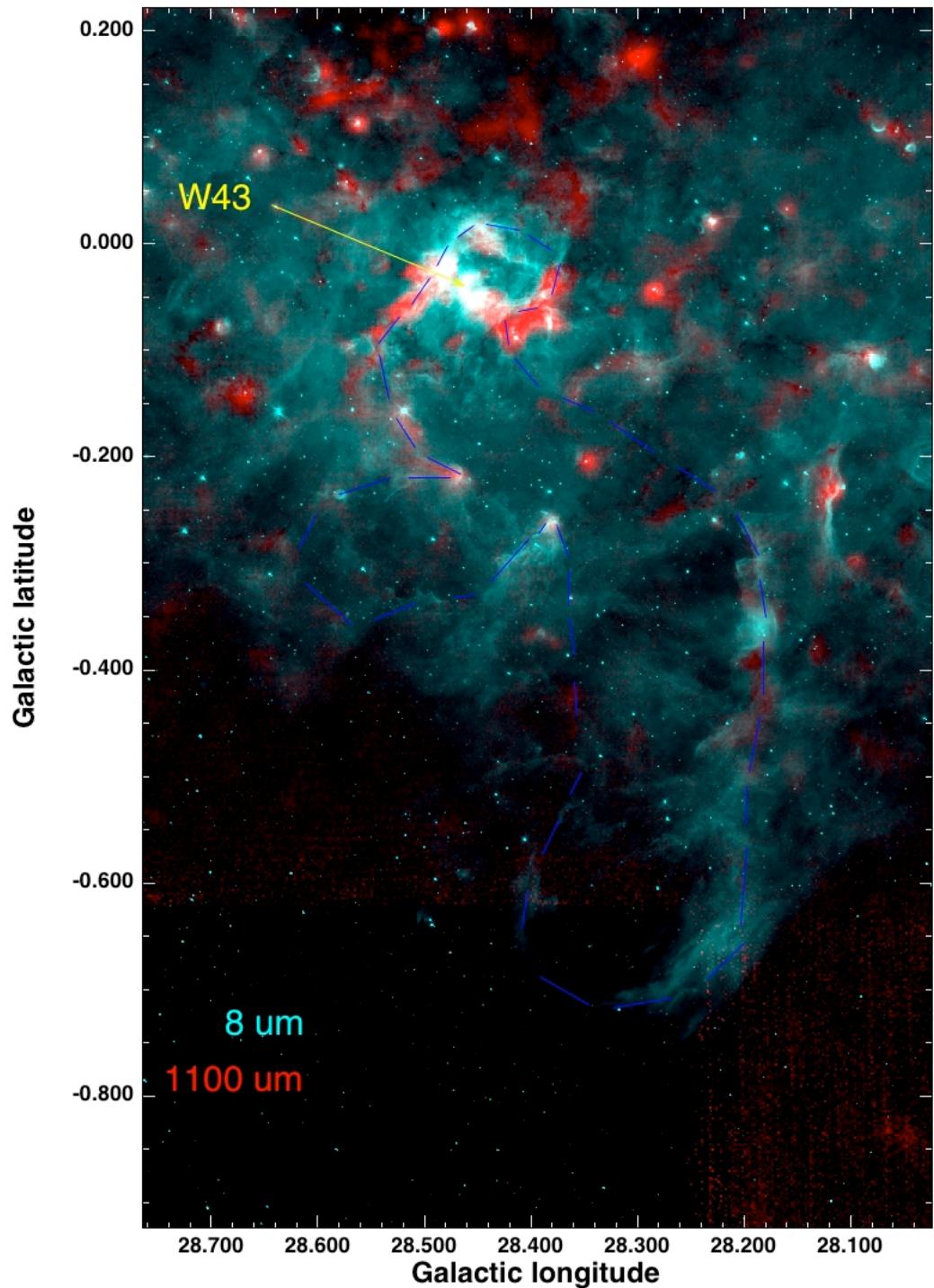
# W43 Giant HII region -mini-starburst

$[l,b] = 30.77, -0.04$   
 $V_{\text{lsr}} \sim 86 \text{ to } 106 \text{ km/s}$

$D \sim 5.5 \text{ kpc}$   
 $L > 3.5 \times 10^6 L_0$   
 $M_{\text{GMC}} \sim 10^6 M_0$

$L_{\text{LyC}} \sim 10^{51} \text{ ionizing } \gamma \text{ s}^{-1}$   
(50 x Orion Neb.  
=> 50 O7 stars!)

O3 and WR stars  
=> age > 3 Myr



W43

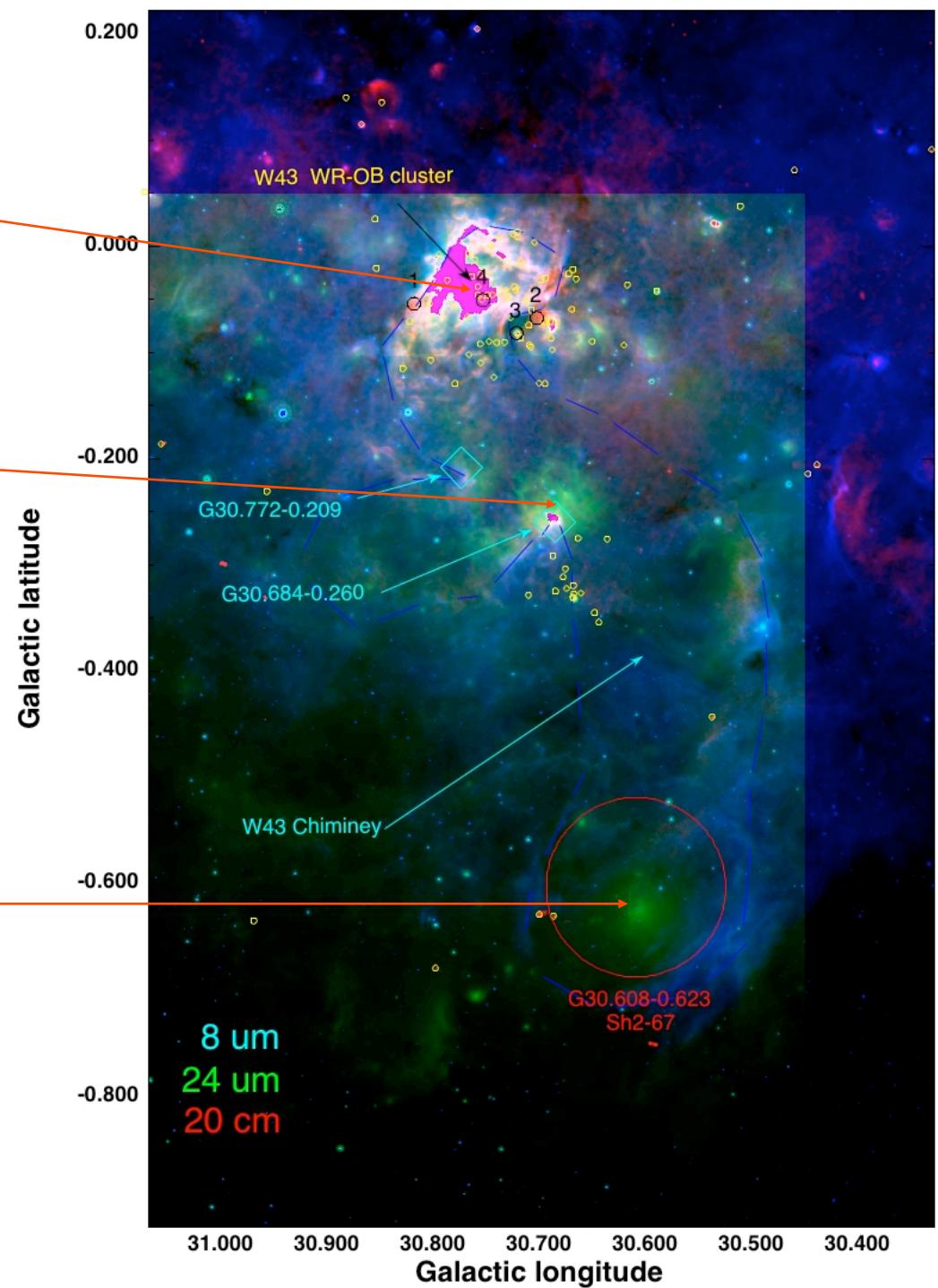
Suspected older OB association

Green => hot dust heated by massive star

Sh2-67 is in foreground

$V_{\text{lsr}} \sim 18 \text{ km/s}$

But, dust rim is mostly at  $V_{\text{lsr}} \sim 86 - 106 \text{ km/s}$



# A multi-Spectral ‘romp’ through the W43 Region

from 3.6  $\mu\text{m}$  to 20 cm  
All images registered  
FOV  $\sim$  60 x 100 pc @ 5.5 kpc

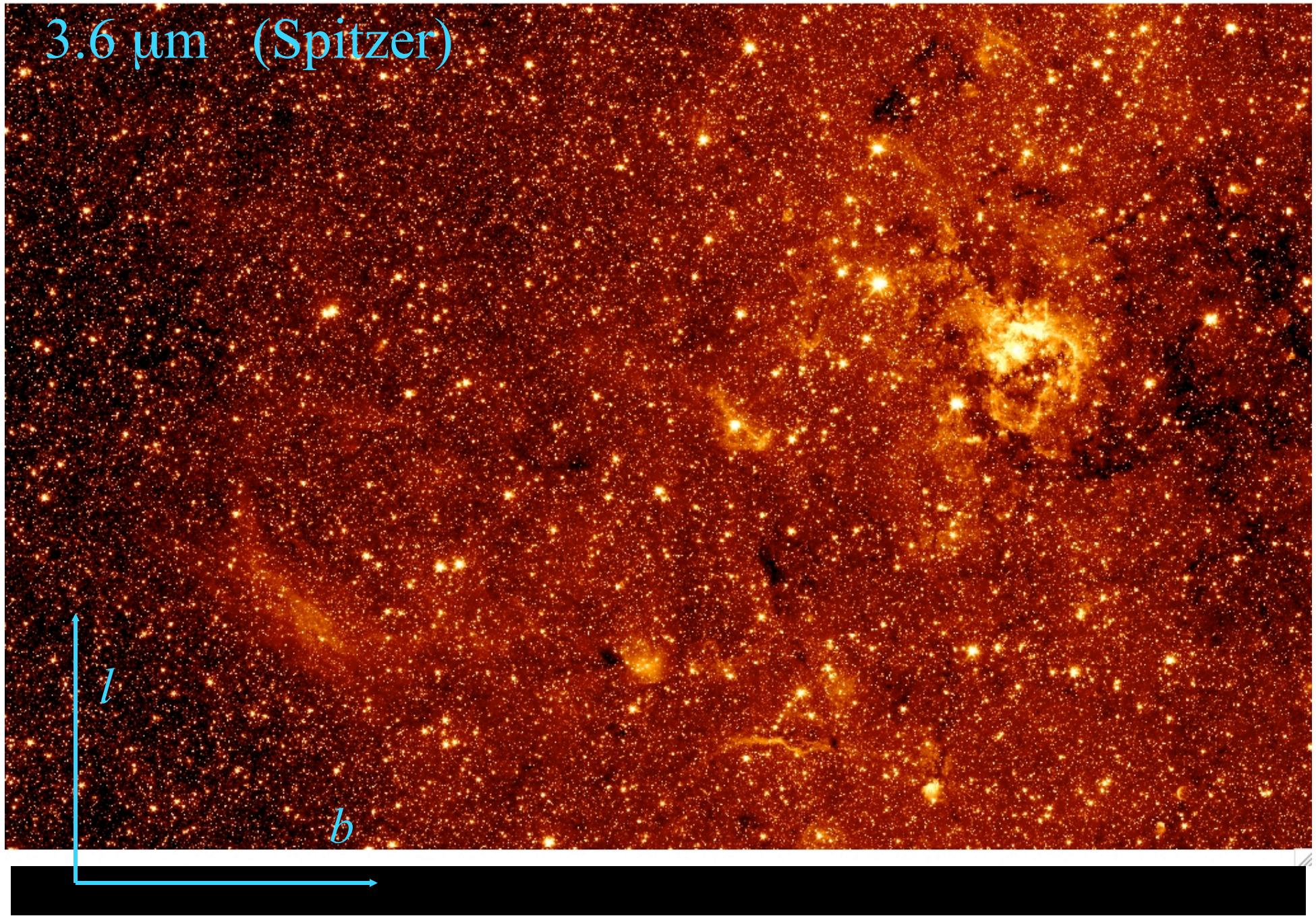
The images:

3.6, 4.5, 8.0 $\mu\text{m}$	(Spitzer / IRAC / GLIMPSE)
24 $\mu\text{m}$	(Spitzer / MIPS/MIPSGAL)
70, 170, 250, 350, 500 $\mu\text{m}$	(Herschel Hi-GAL)
1100 $\mu\text{m}$	(CSO 10.4 m BGPS)
20 cm	(VLA / MAGPIS)
$^{13}\text{CO}$	(FCRAO 14 m GRS)

Each  $^{13}\text{CO}$  image shows three  $\Delta V = 2 \text{ km/s}$  slices

blue  $V - 2 \text{ km/s}$   
green  $V \text{ km/s}$   
red  $V + 2 \text{ km/s}$

$3.6 \mu\text{m}$  (Spitzer)



$4.5 \mu\text{m}$  (Spitzer)

Run-away star

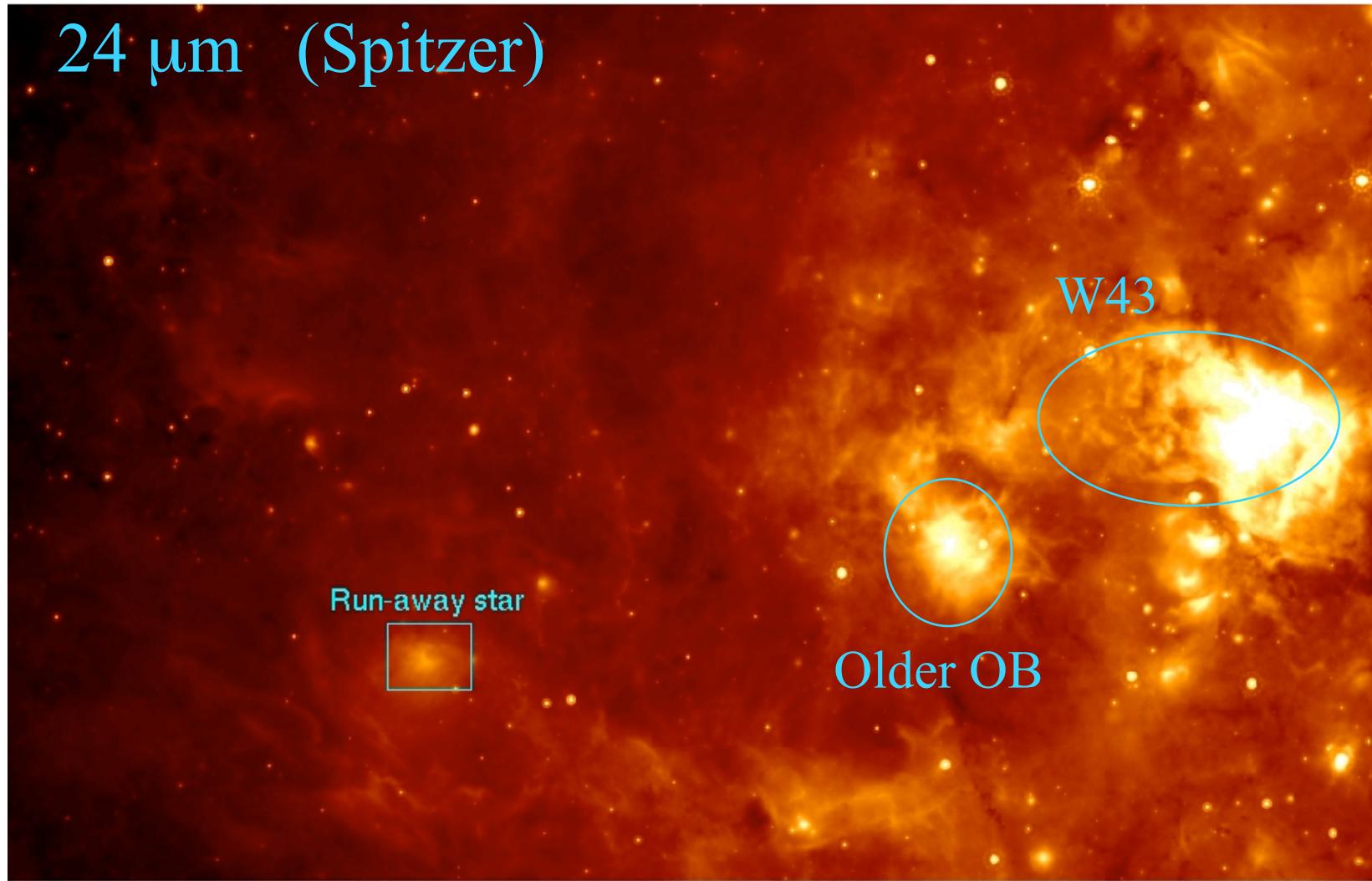


100 pc @ 5.5 kpc

$8.0 \mu\text{m}$  (Spitzer)

100 pc @ 5.5 kpc

24  $\mu$ m (Spitzer)



100 pc @ 5.5 kpc



70  $\mu\text{m}$  (Herschel/Hi-GAL)

100 pc @ 5.5 kpc



170  $\mu$ m (Herschel/Hi-GAL)

'Z-shaped' filament

confining IRDCs

Cometary clouds

← → 100 pc @ 5.5 kpc

250  $\mu$ m (Herschel/Hi-GAL)

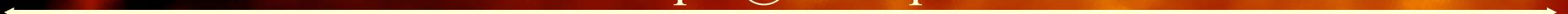
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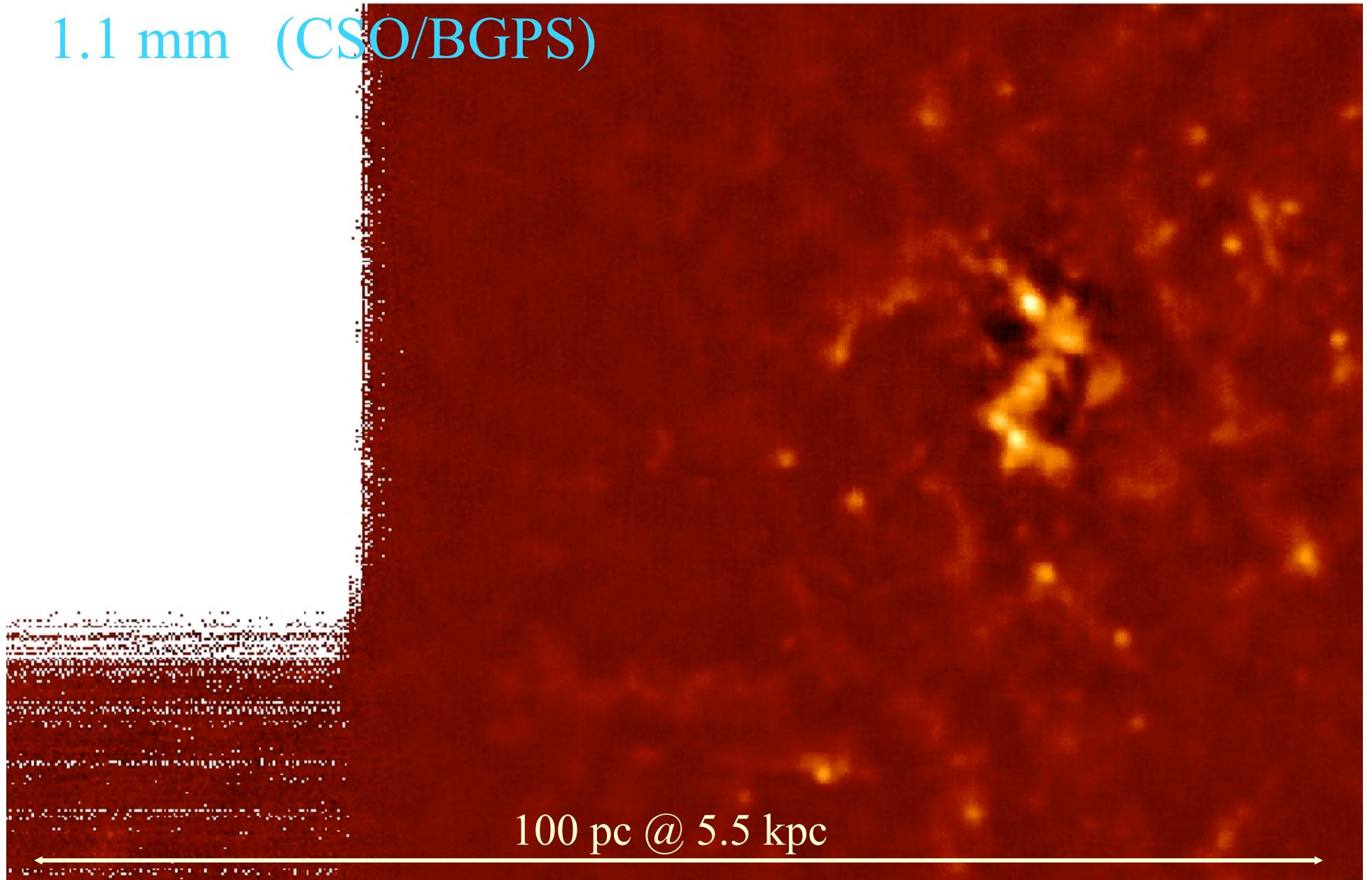
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500  $\mu\text{m}$  (Herschel/Hi-GAL)

100 pc @ 5.5 kpc



1.1 mm (CSO/BGPS)



20 cm (VLA / MAGPIS)

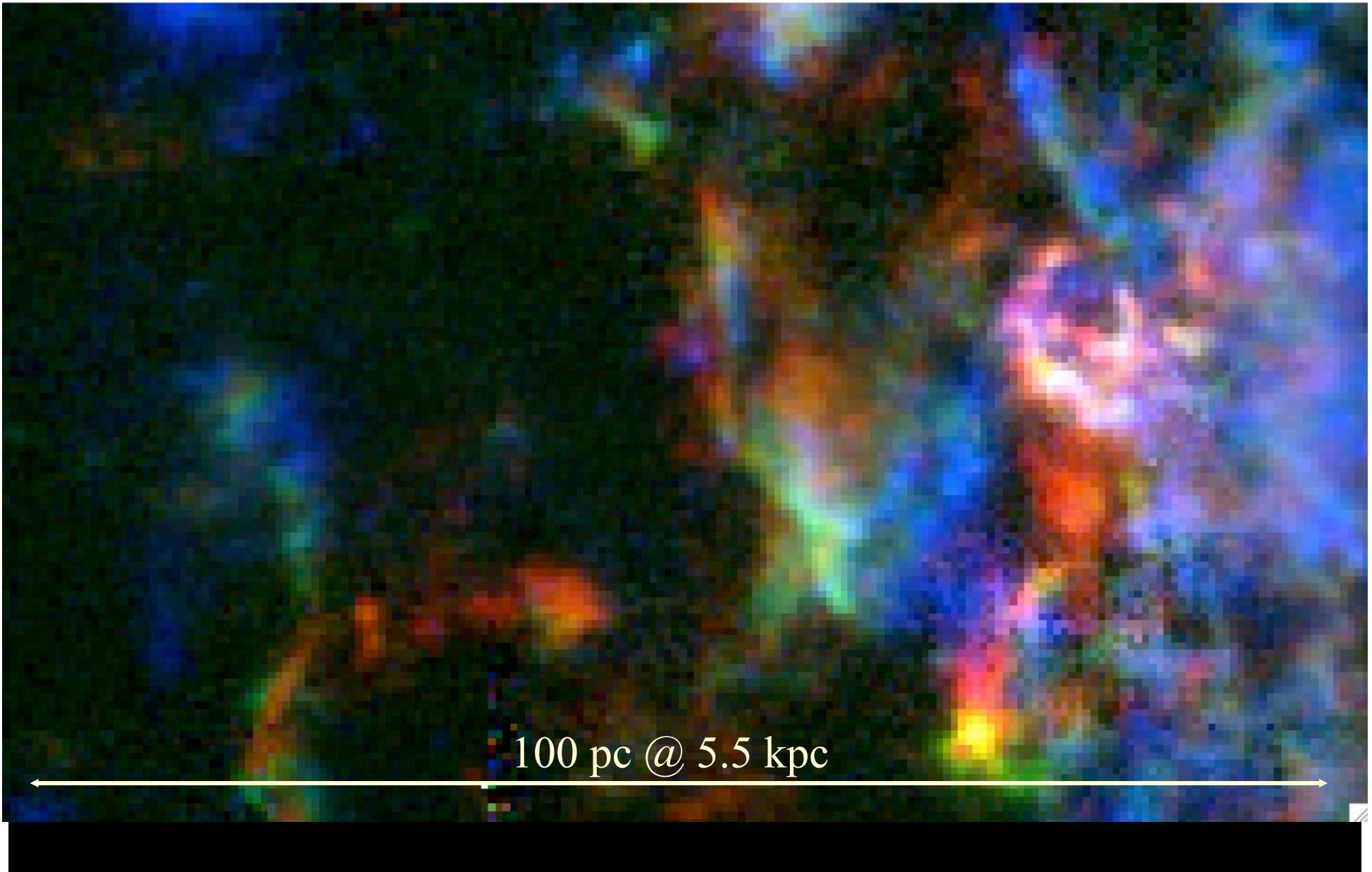
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Older OB

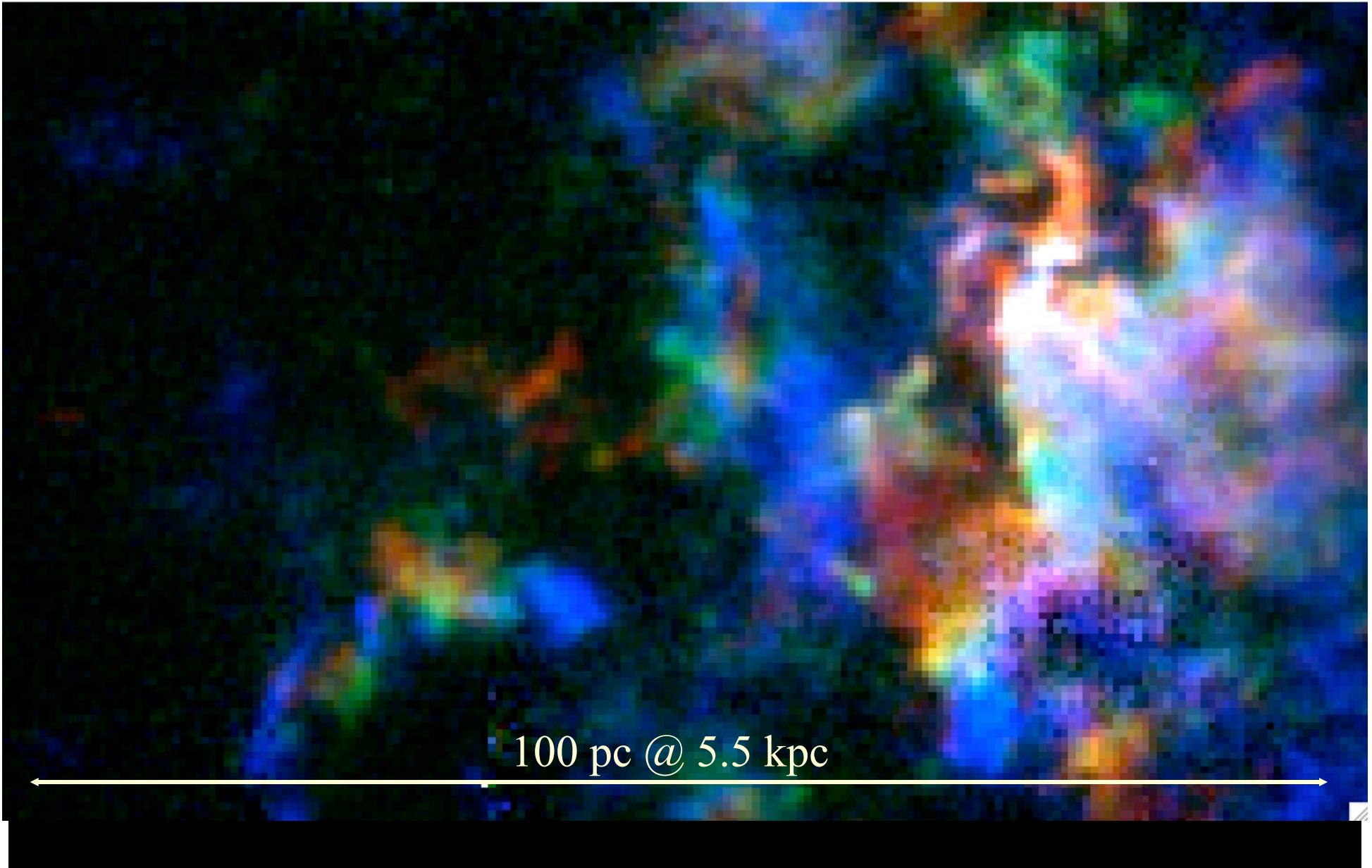
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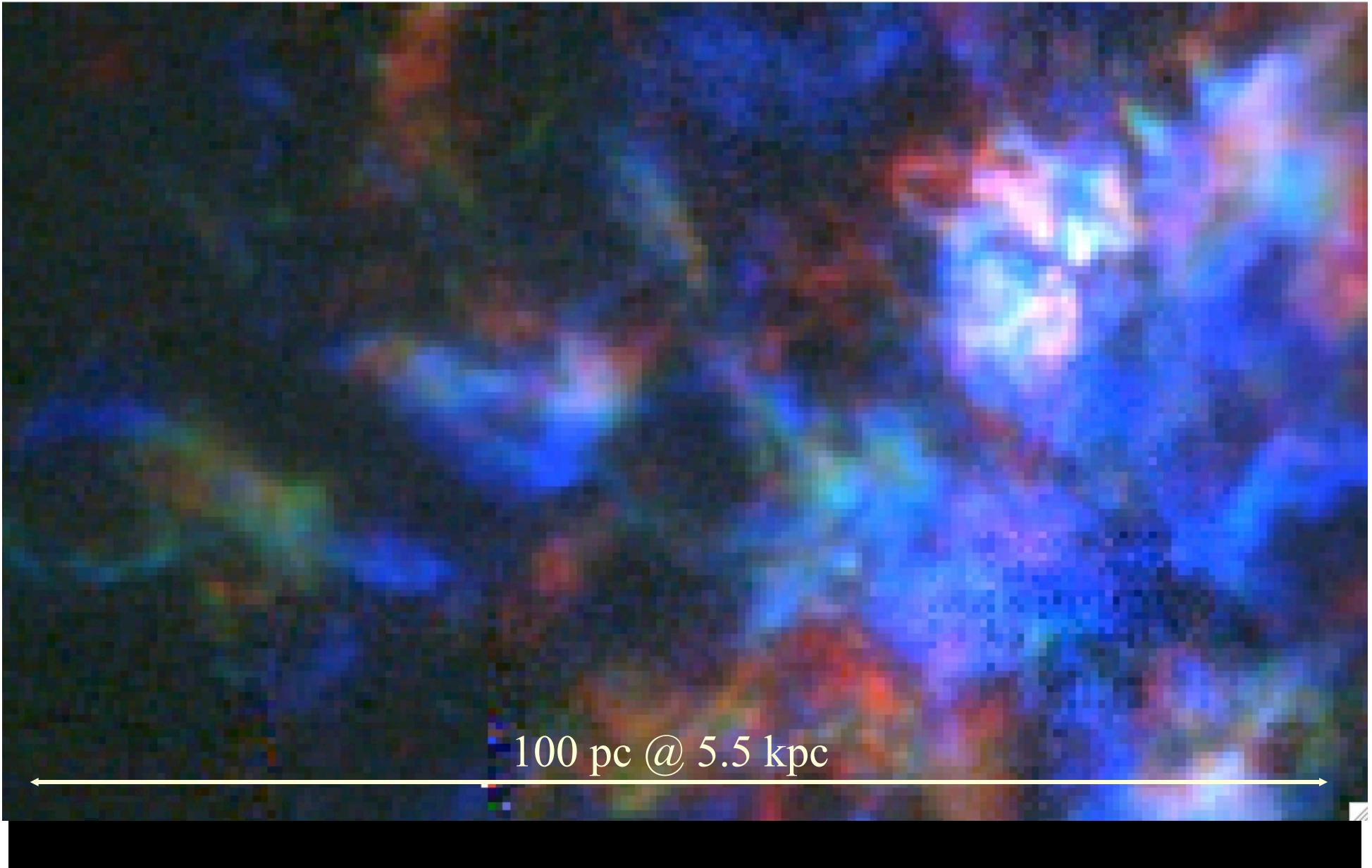
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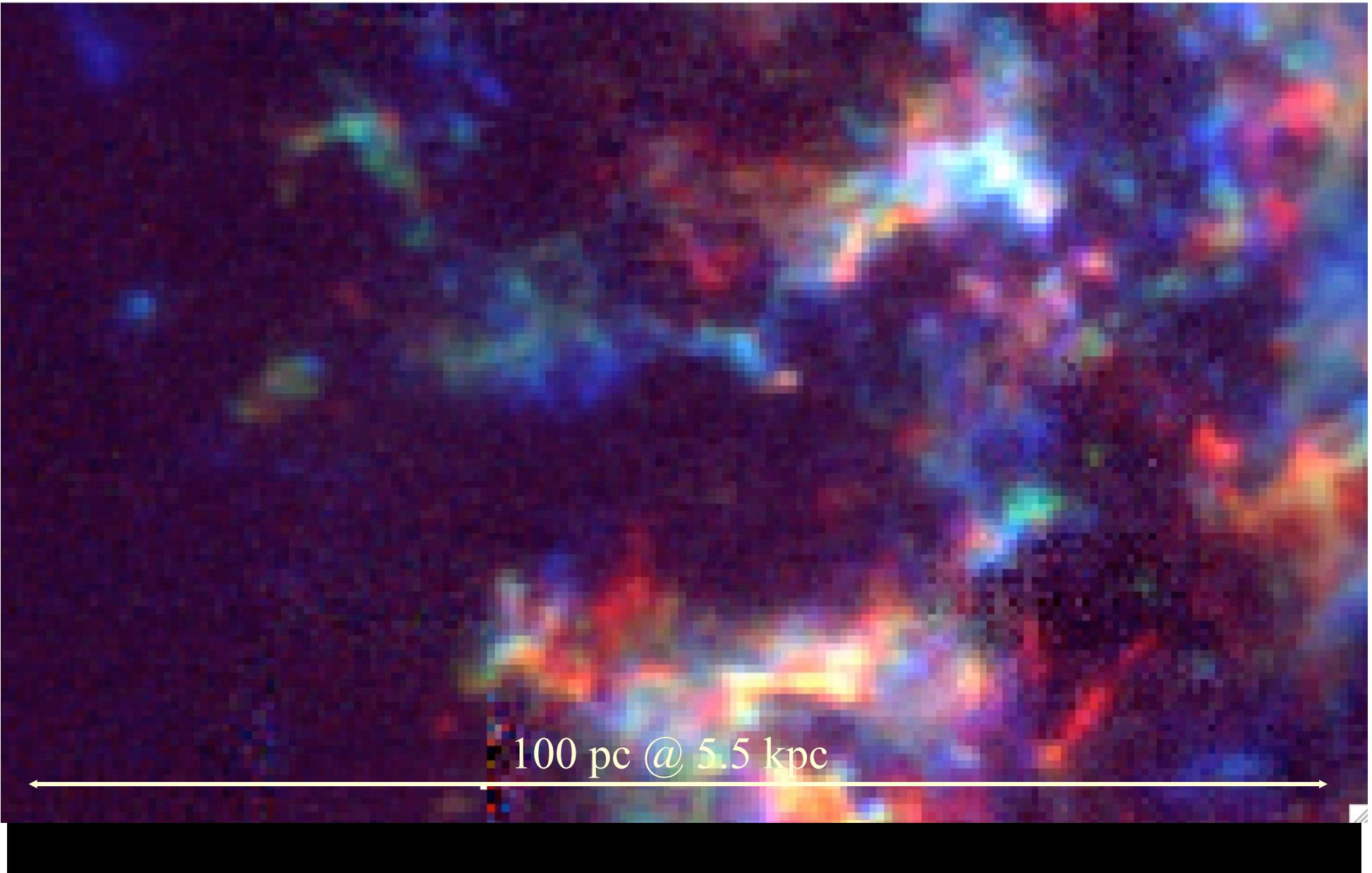
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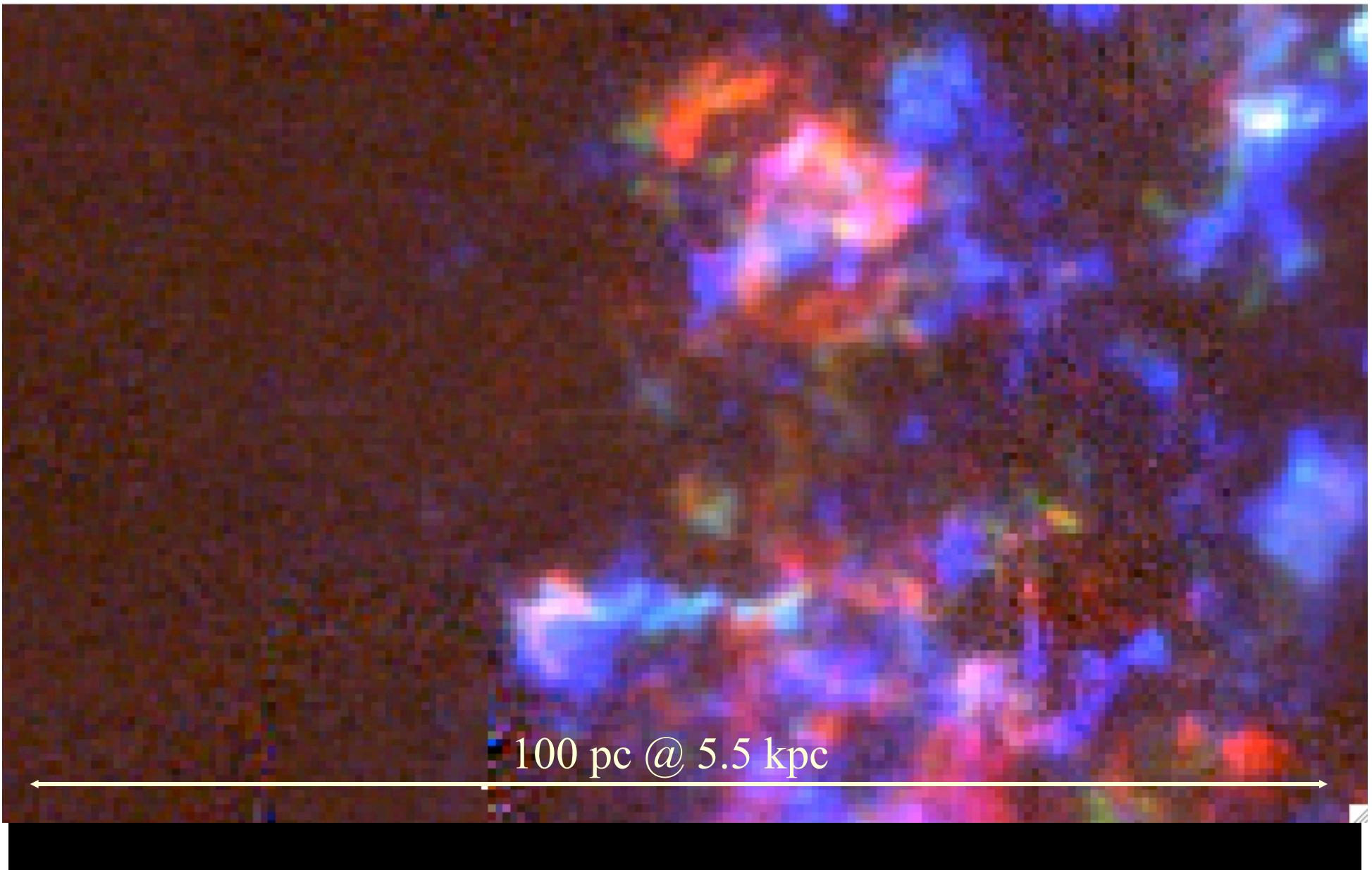
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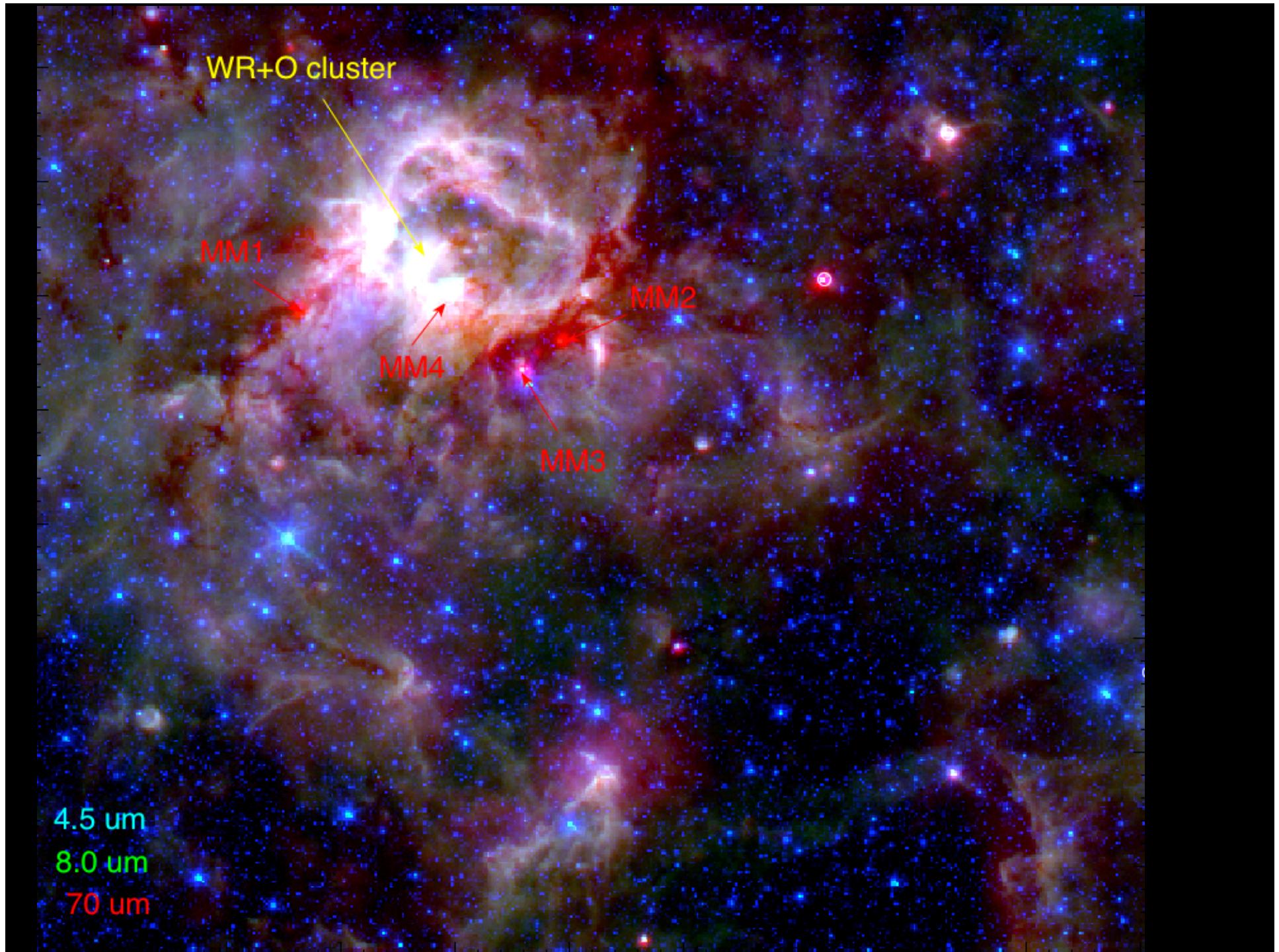


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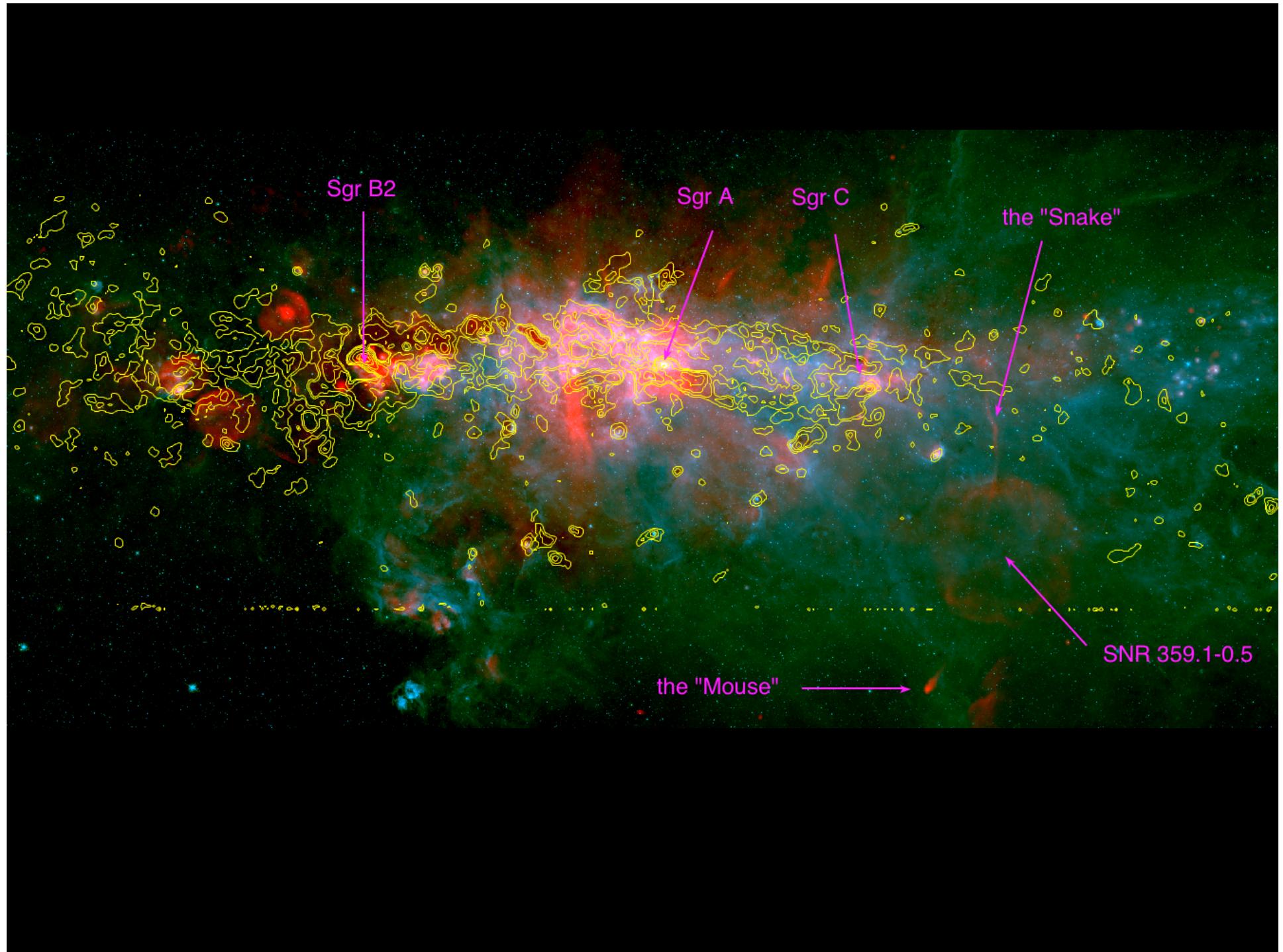


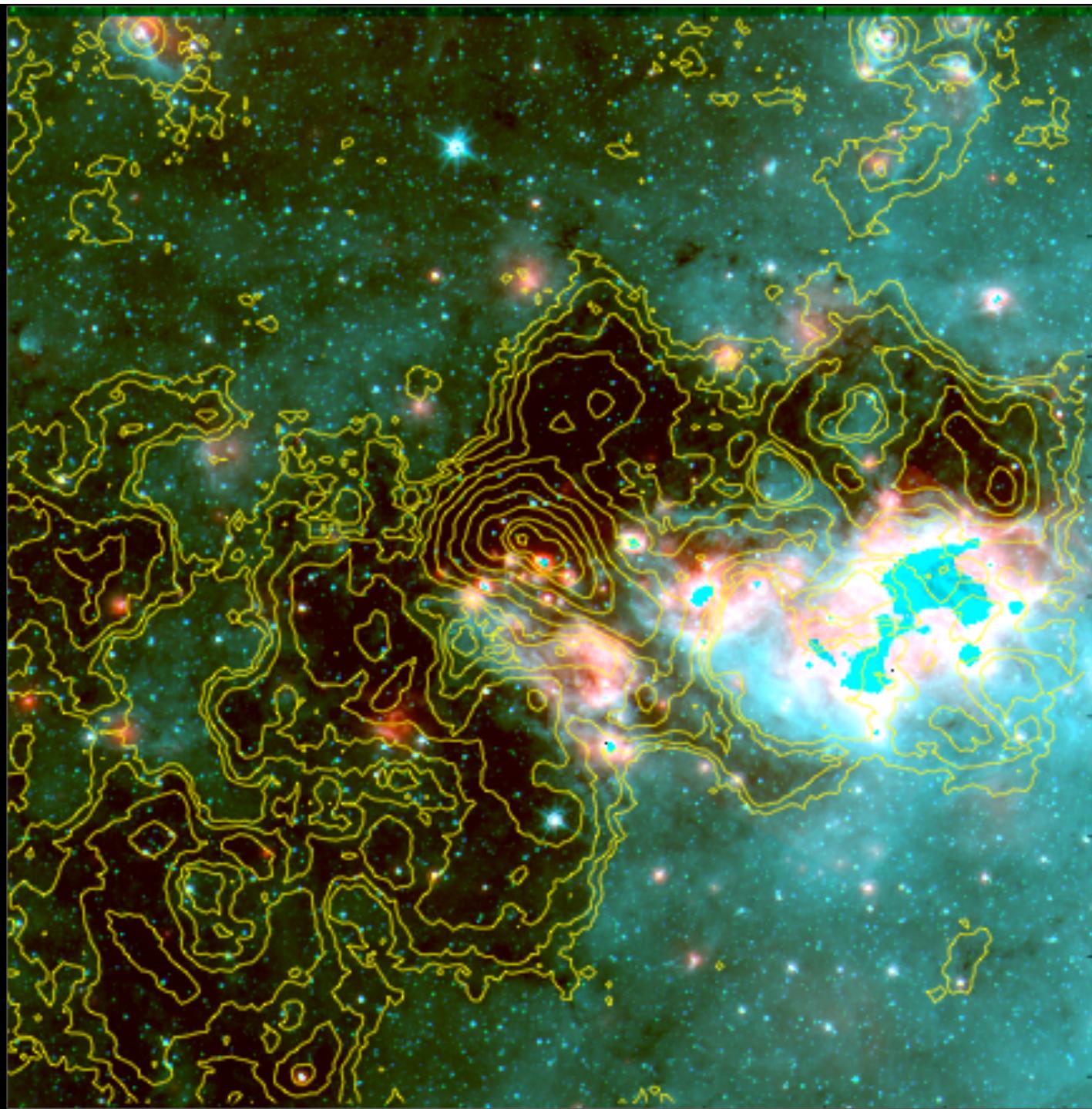


**3.6 - 8  $\mu$ m      1.1 mm      20 cm**



Adam Ginsburg: NRAO 2008 photo-contest First Prize!  
NRAO submission for AAS Calendar, 2009 Feb





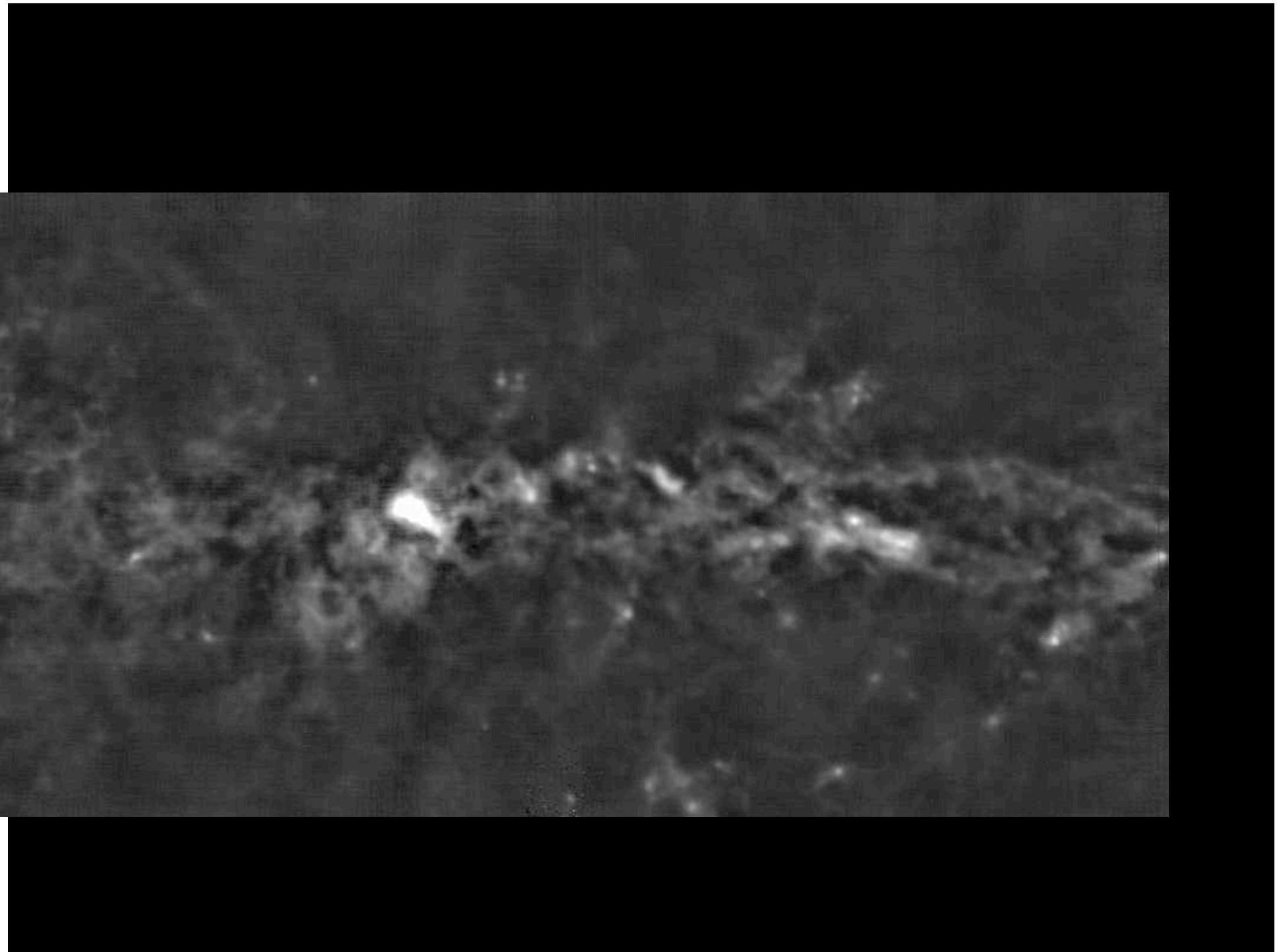


**The Center of the Milky Way Galaxy**

NASA / JPL-Caltech / S. Stolovy (Spitzer Science Center/Caltech)

**Spitzer Space Telescope**

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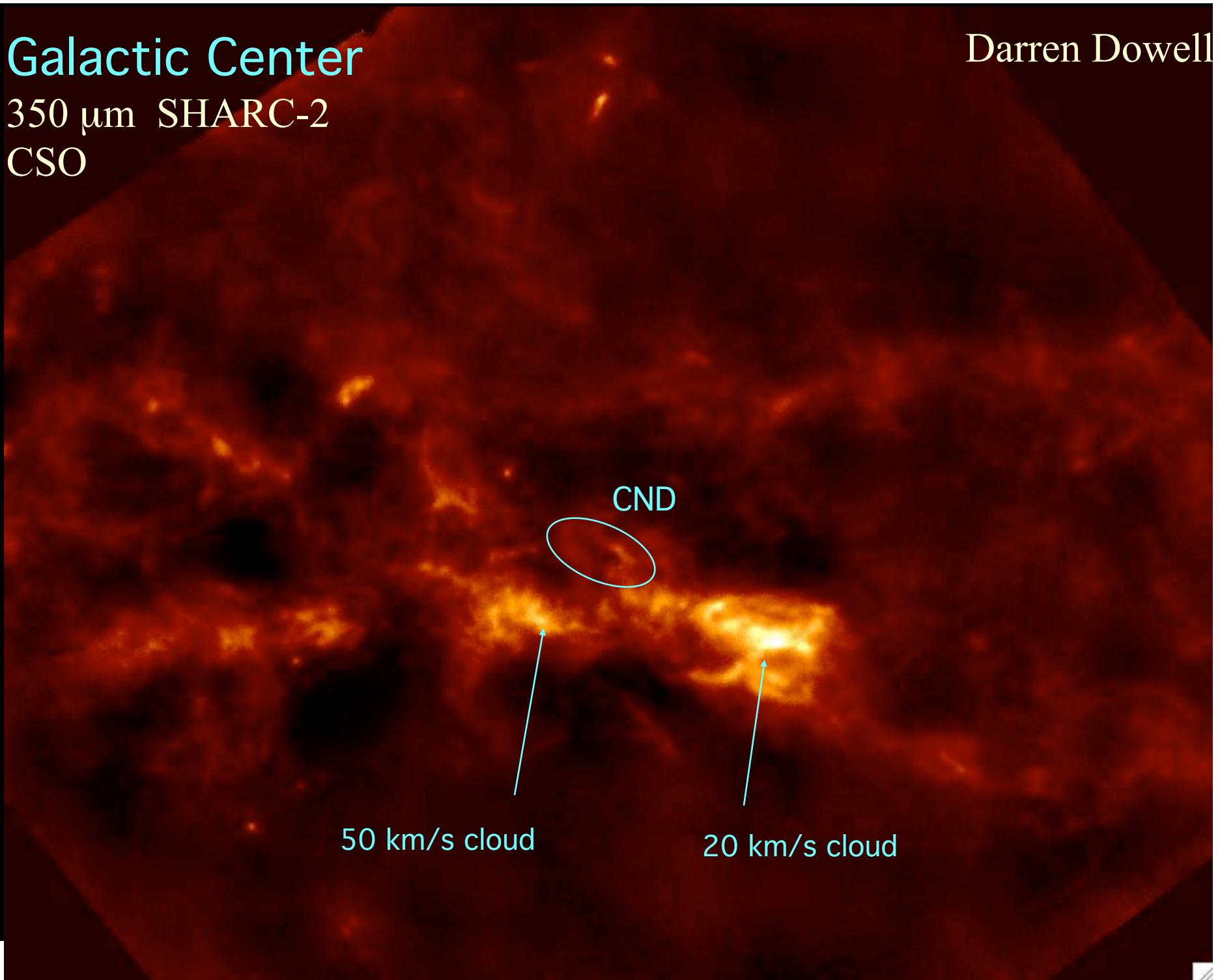




# Galactic Center

350  $\mu\text{m}$  SHARC-2  
CSO

Darren Dowell



# *SOFIA Roles*

Current:

FORCAST imaging of MYSOs & embedded clusters  
High-resolution spectroscopy of FIR lines

Herschel Hi-GAL bright-source follow-up

Next-Gen Needs (wish list):

Narrow-band, velocity resolved wide-field imaging

Tunable filters, FPs, Slit-scanning

$R \sim 10^4$ ;  $\lambda \sim 3 - 300 \mu\text{m}$

Multi-object heterodyne spectroscopy

$R > 10^6$ ;  $\lambda \sim 3 - 300 \mu\text{m}$

Line & Continuum Polarimetry

linear, circular, multi-object, W-FOV

Simultaneous Multi-order spectroscopy

dichroic split, MKIDs, bolometers?

# Conclusions

Orion:

Decay of non-hierarchical multiple star system

Ejected BN, I, n with  $V \sim 10$  to  $30$  km/s 500 years ago!

Orion OMC1 outflow ( $\sim$ few  $\times 10^{47}$  erg)

Disruption of inner disks => fastest ejecta

Recoil of outer envelope + disk => slow ejecta

Boost by expansion of wrapped-up B? => slow ejecta

Cep A:

Pulsed, precessing jet ( $P \sim 2,000$  years)

Capture-formed binary?

Lessons:

In the two nearest massive star forming regions ...

Small-N Dynamics play important roles in massive star formation !

High multiplicity => Capture formation

Ejection => High-velocity stars

Stored Energy Release => Explosive Outflows

SOFIA: Best instrument to probe SEDs & spectra of MYSOs

Bright, SED peaks @ 10 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$

Velocity Resolved Spectroscopy

Variability (?) => Episodic accretion?



*The End*

