

Tracing the Ejecta from Cosmic Nucleosynthesis

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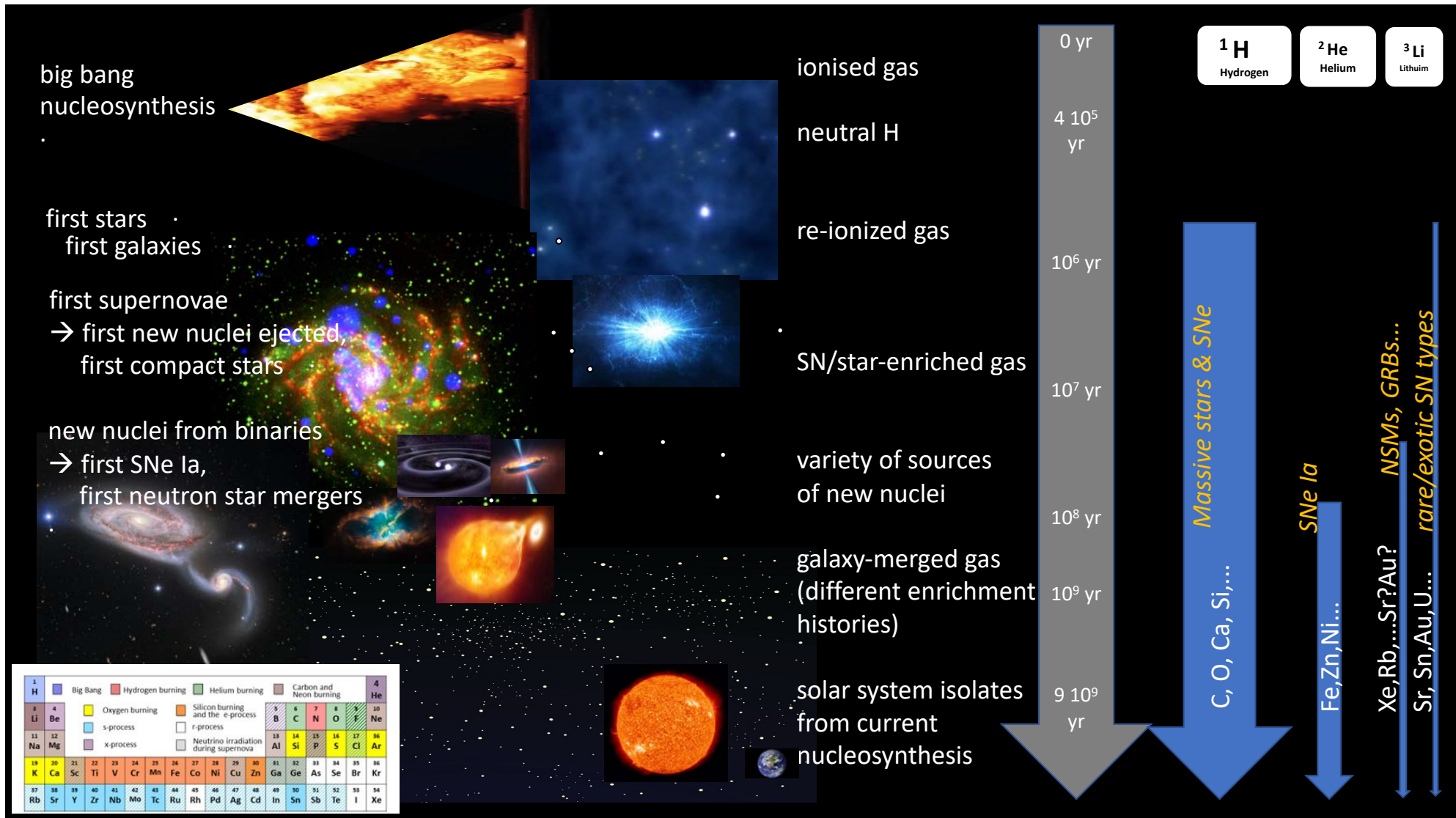
Contents:

1. Nucleosynthesis sources and their Ejecta
2. Learning from γ -ray observations
 - large scale
 - star clusters
3. Conclusions and Prospects

with work from (a.o.)
Martin Krause, Karsten Kretschmer, Moritz Pleintinger,
Thomas Siegert, Rasmus Voss, Wei Wang, Christoph Weinberger

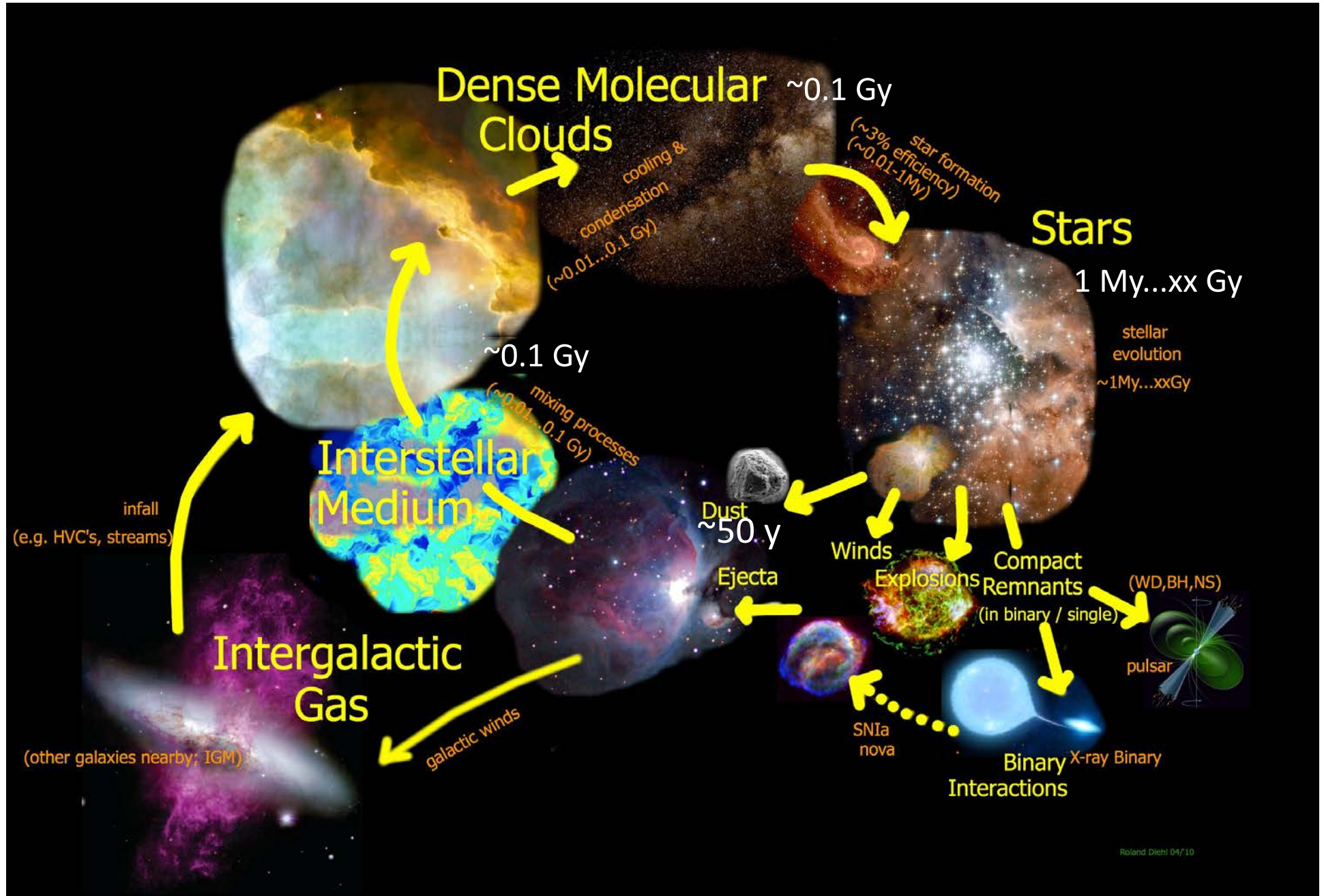
Figure: ChETEC 2021

The composition of cosmic matter evolves over time

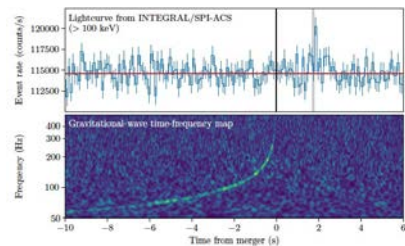
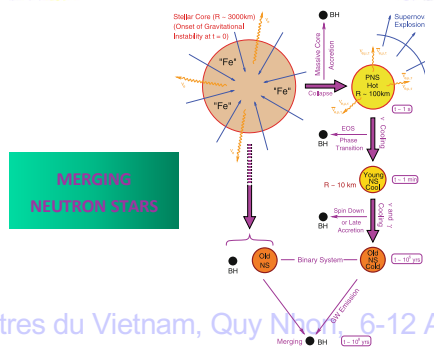
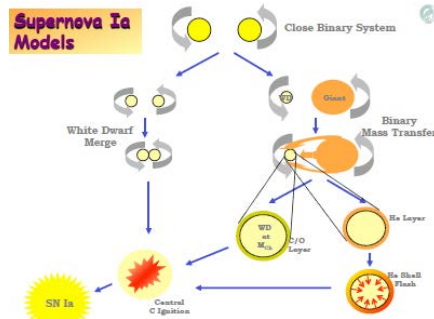
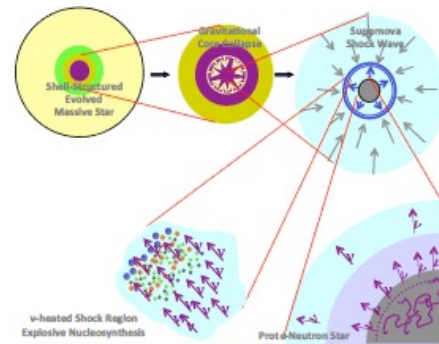
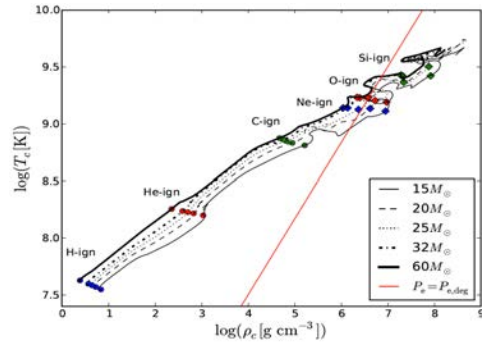
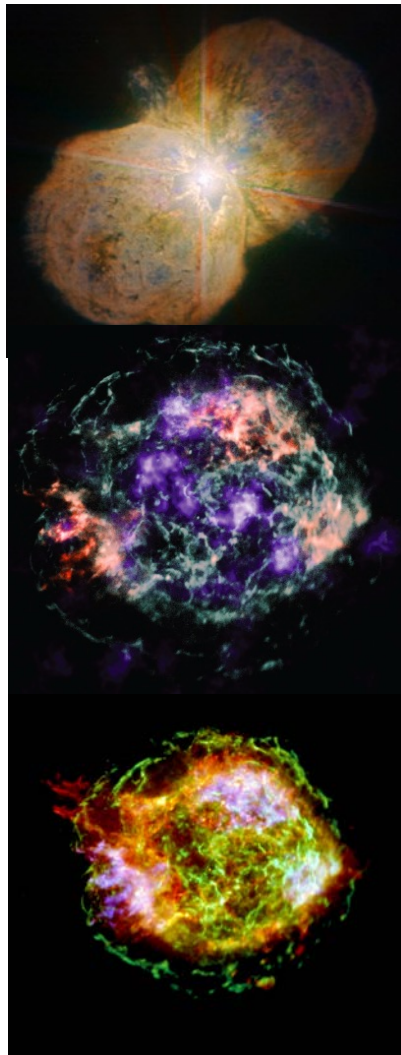


... a coarse picture of cosmic nucleosynthesis.

On-going Enrichments from Nucleosynthesis Sources

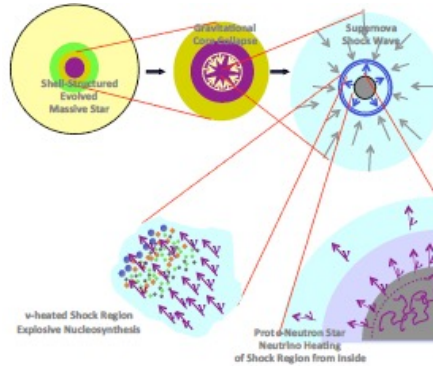
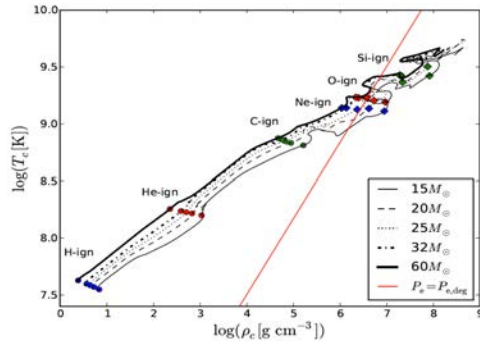


Cosmic nucleosynthesis sources



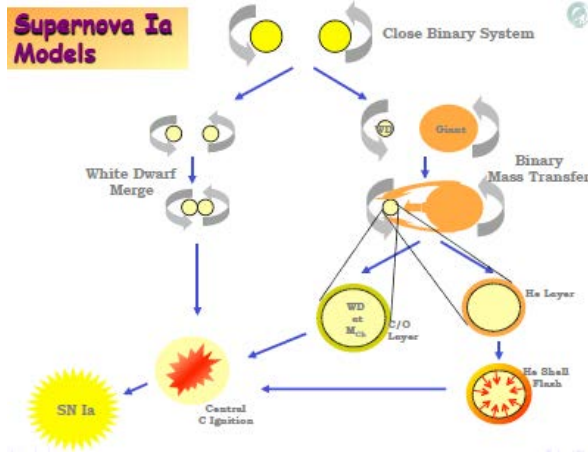
- Nuclear fusion reactions power all stars
- Many stars explode as a supernova at the end of their evolution
- Some binary systems including white dwarf stellar remnants explode as a supernova
- Some binary systems including neutron stars eventually merge to form a black hole
- How many new nuclei in ejecta??

Environments for nucleosynthesis ejecta



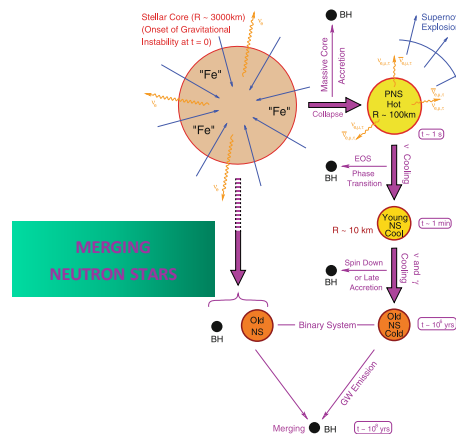
★ Massive stars and ccSNe

- 👉 typical $t_{\text{evolution}} \sim 1-100$ My
- 👉 molecular-cloud and superbubble environment



★ Supernovae type Ia

- 👉 typical $t_{\text{evolution}} \sim 0.x-1$ Gy
- 👉 outside star forming regions

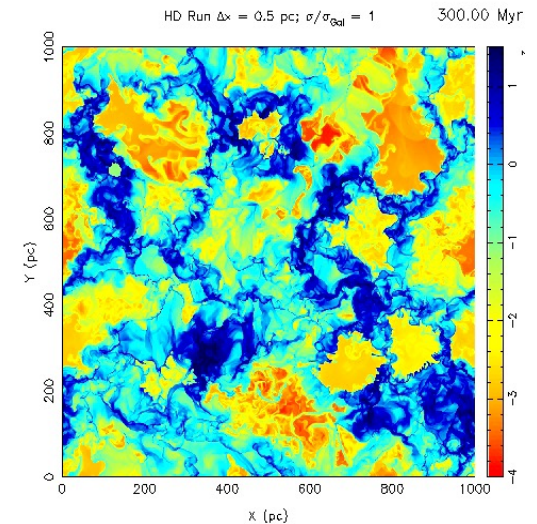


★ Compact-binary mergers

- 👉 typical $t_{\text{evolution}} \sim 1-x$ Gy
- 👉 away from galactic disk

Modeling stellar feedback (1)

- The ISM plasma is highly complex
 - ★ large reservoir of internal energy (ionization states, coupling to mag field & CRs)
 - ★ shocks imply non-equilibrium physics, i.e. detailed solution of MHD equations
 - ★ microscopic physics is coupled to large dimensions through plasma waves, mag fields, CRs
 - ★ stellar actions (radiation, wind, explosions, rate, location) from other models
- Modeling alternatives:
 - ★ Implement physical processes in 3D MHD Eulerian grid codes (*exact*)
 - ★ Employ SPH modelling: spatial modeling replaced by mass modelling (*efficient*)
 - ★ Hybrid models: (*~exact; ~efficient*)
SPH plus particles randomly placed and with detailed physics
- Limitations:
 - ★ 3D MHD is computationally expensive → resolution limited
 - ★ SPH cannot properly treat shocks and tenuous hot phase
 - ★ Hybrid models often use subgrid physics models

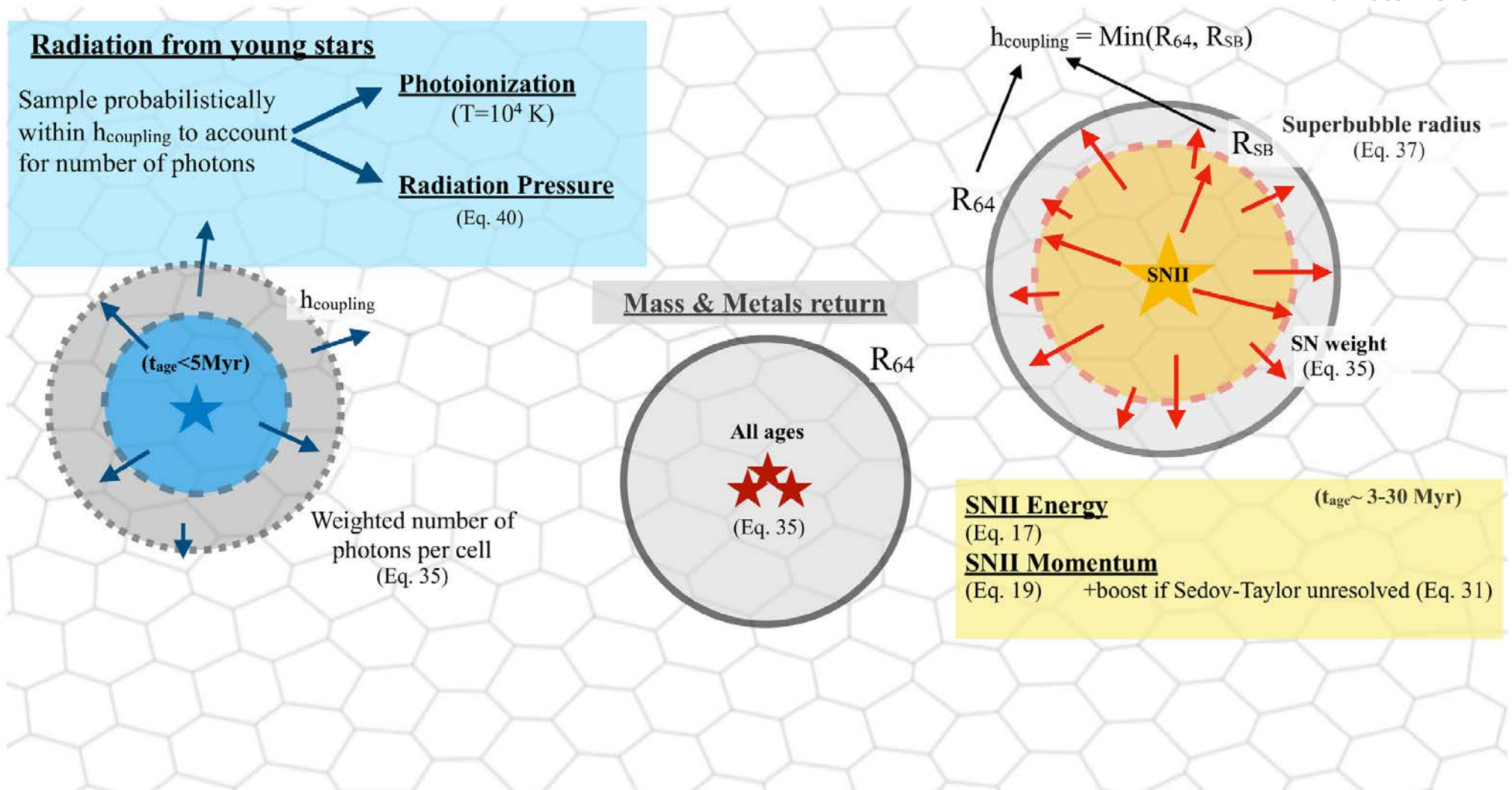


Modeling stellar feedback (2)

- Example of a hybrid code: AREPO

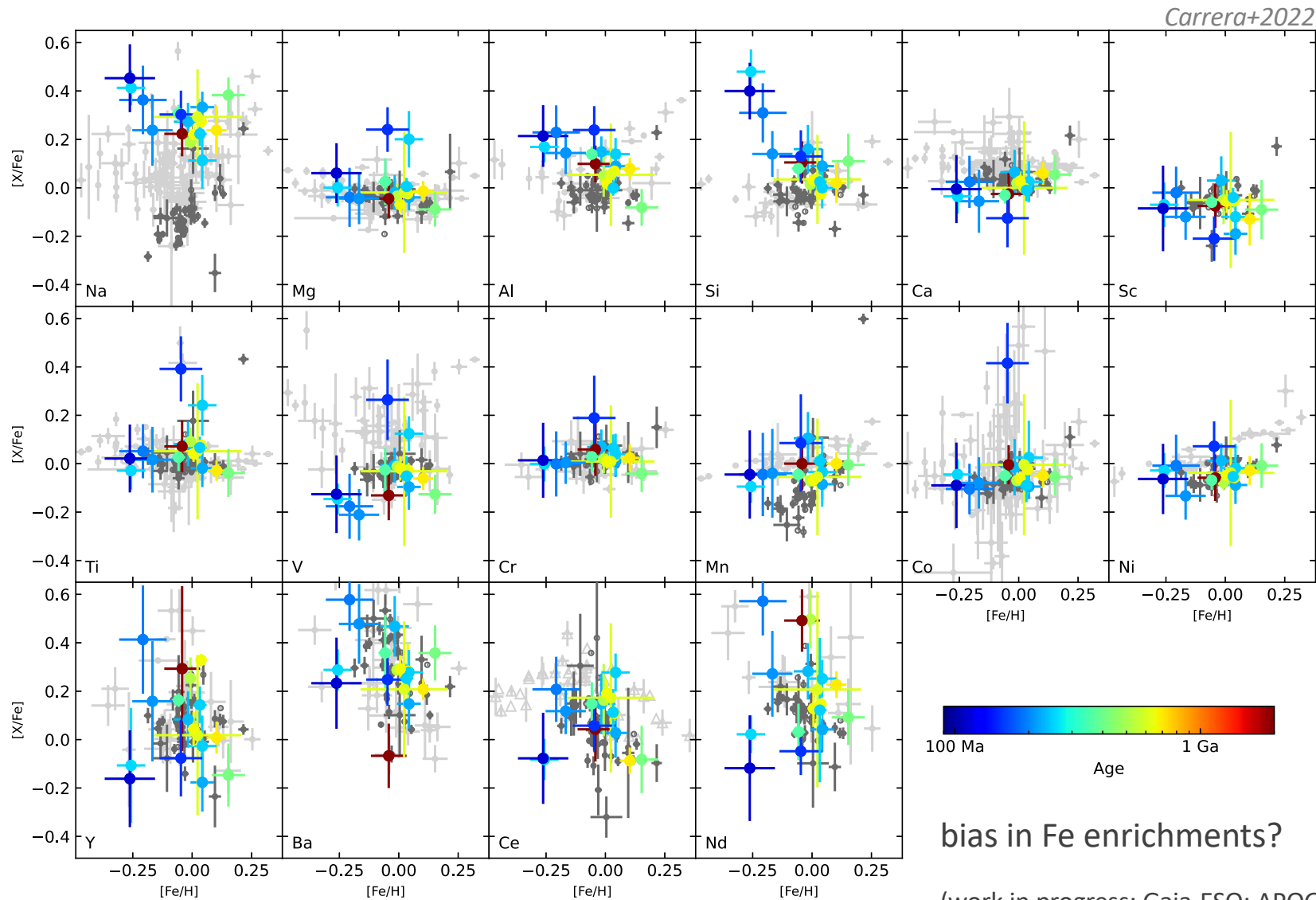
Key processes of photoionization and kinetic energy injections

Marinacci+2019



Inhomogeneities of chemical enrichments?

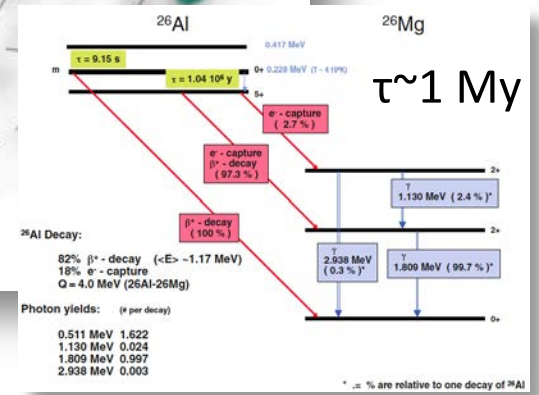
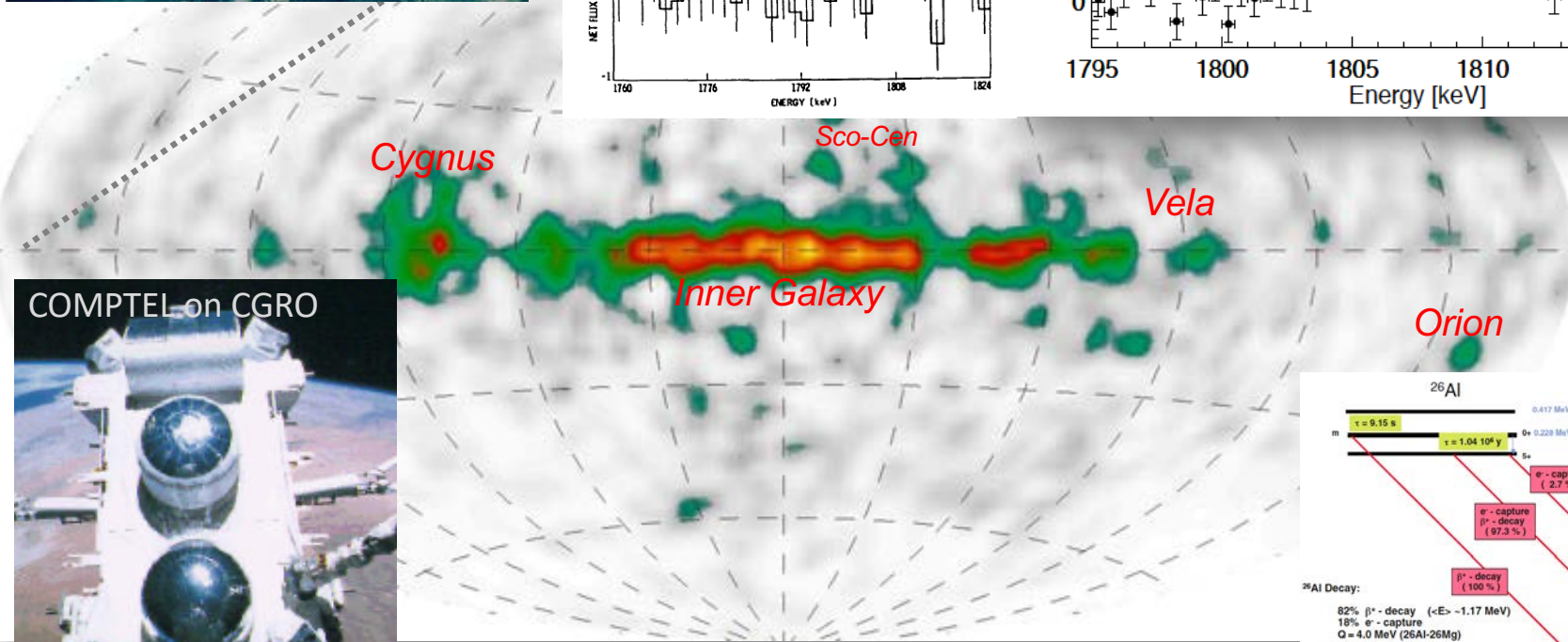
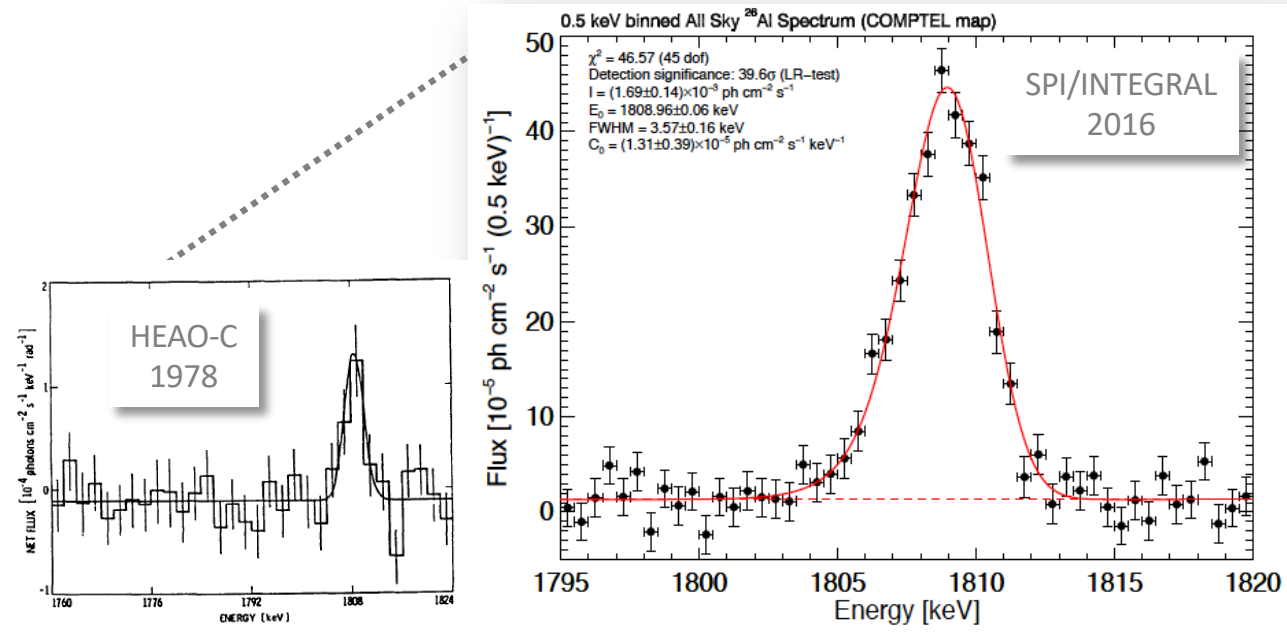
- Open-cluster abundances show deviations for youngest clusters



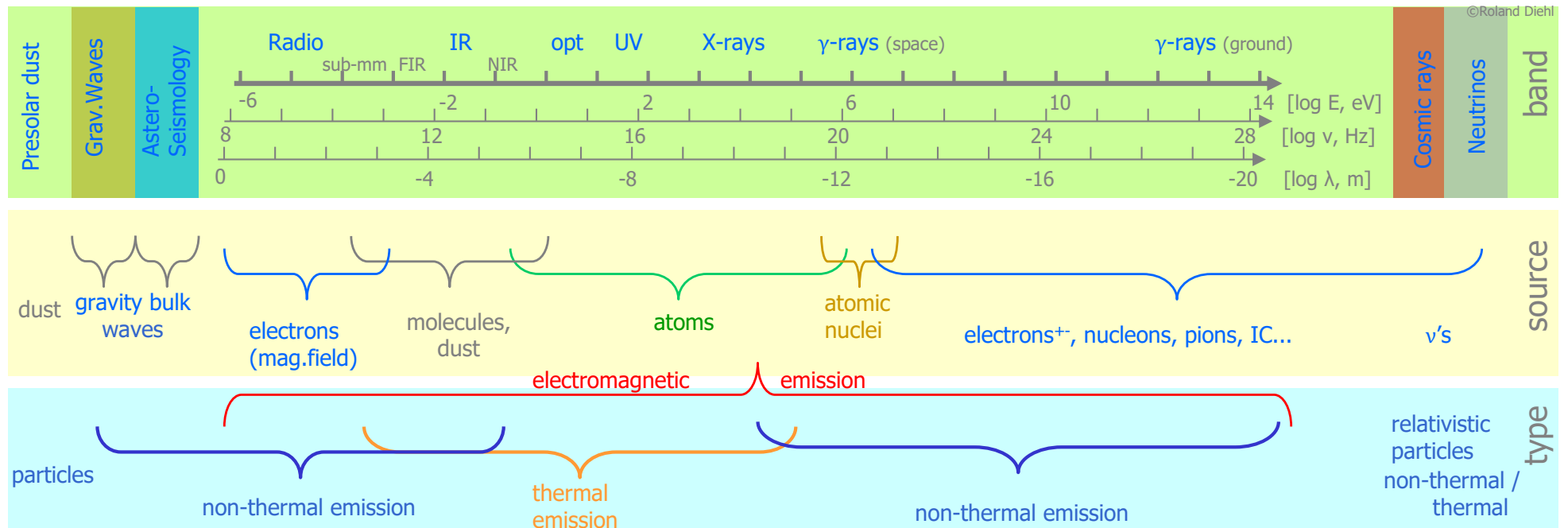
bias in Fe enrichments?

(work in progress; Gaia-ESO; APOGEE; ...)

^{26}Al γ -rays from the Galaxy



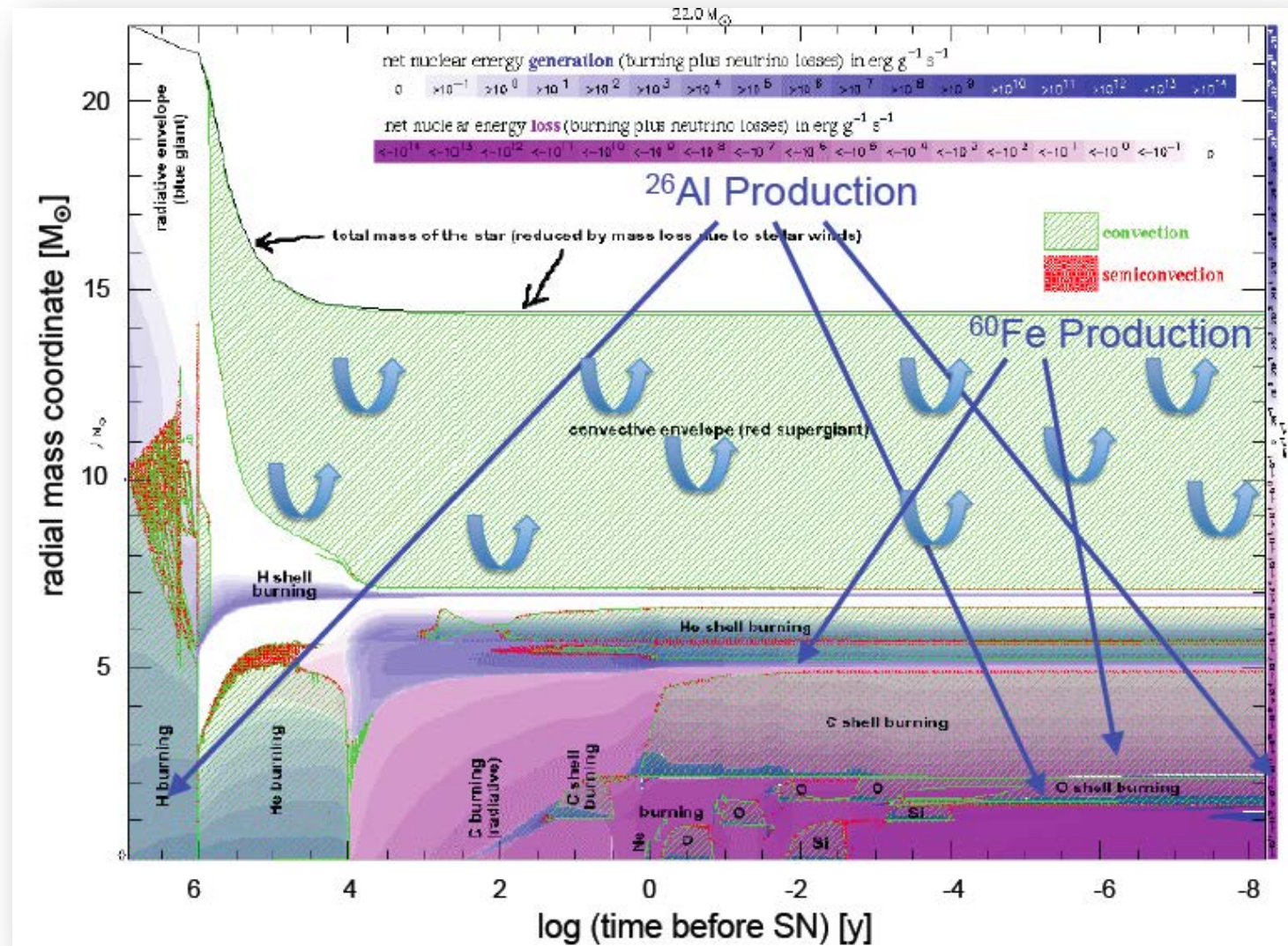
Astronomy across the cosmic messengers



Radioactivities from massive stars: ^{60}Fe , ^{26}Al

→ Messengers from Massive-Star Interiors!

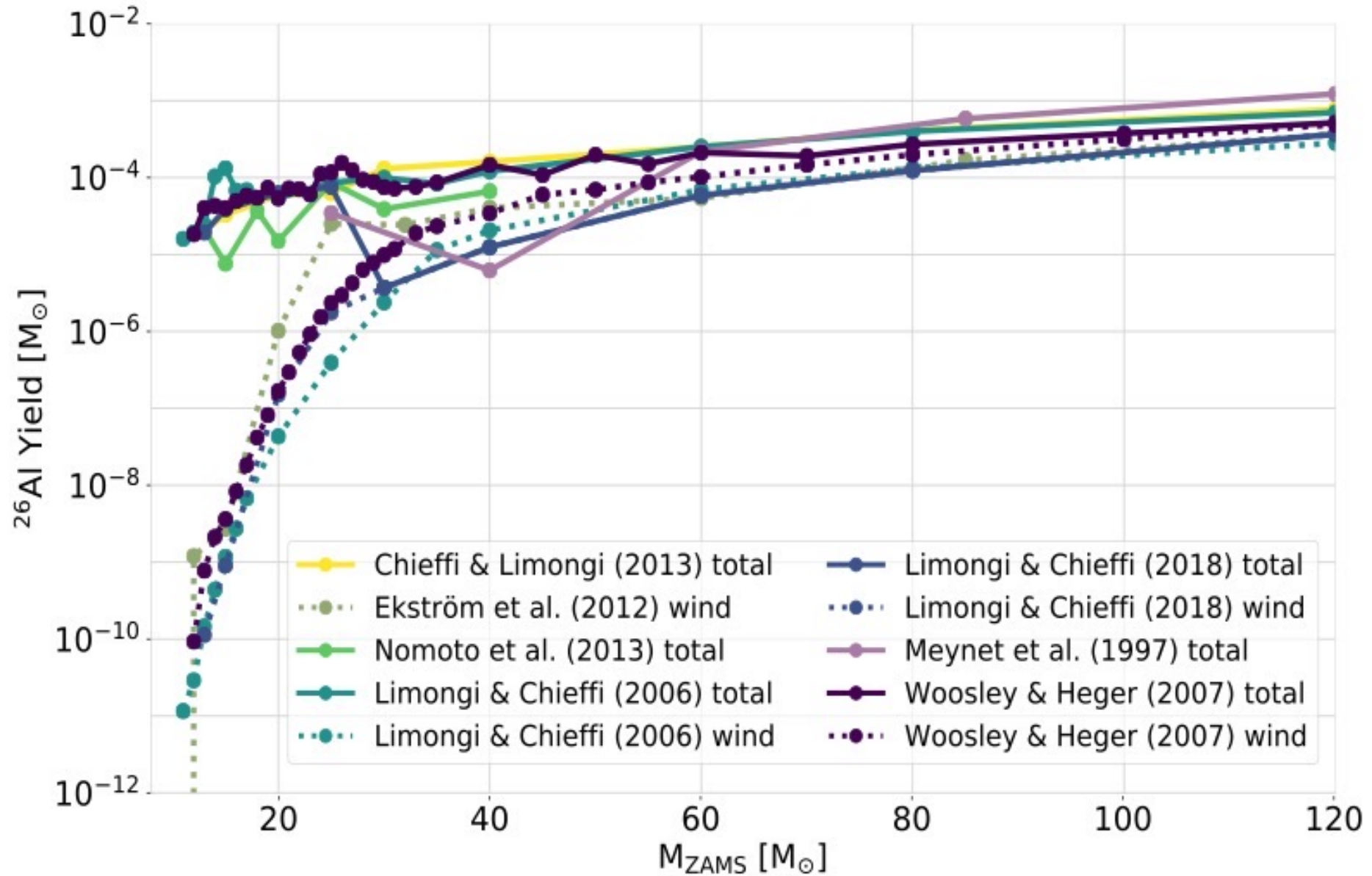
...complementing neutrinos and asteroseismology!



Processes:

- ★ Hydrostatic fusion
- ★ WR wind release
- ★ Late Shell burning
- ★ Explosive fusion
- ★ Explosive release

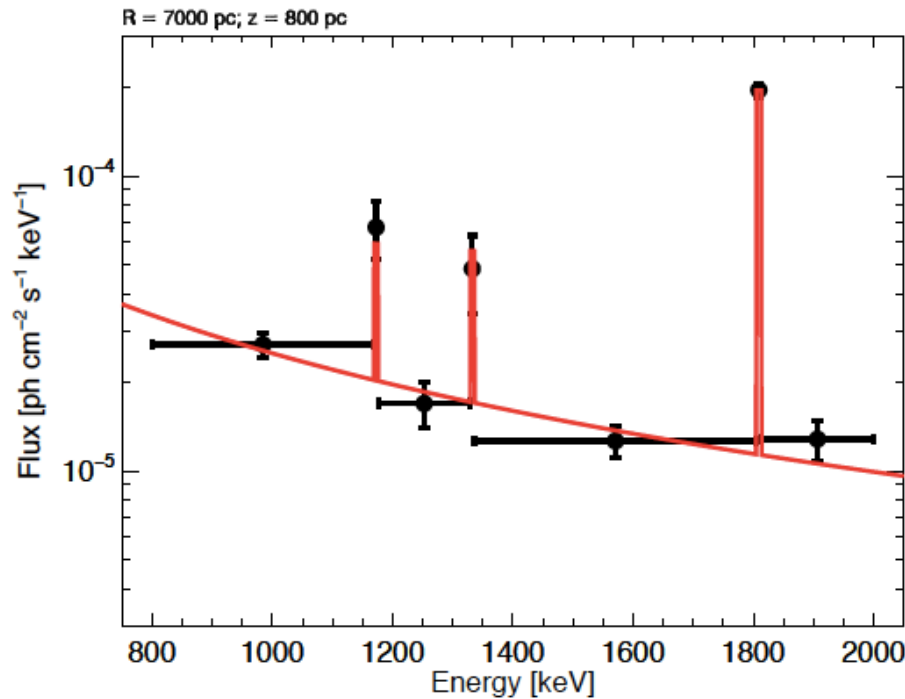
^{26}Al Yields versus mass, for massive stars and their SNe



👉 ccSNe dominate for lower-mass range,
winds dominate over explosive ejecta for more-massive stars

Diffuse gamma-ray emission from ^{60}Fe in the Galaxy

^{26}Al and ^{60}Fe analysis with same INTEGRAL dataset (15+ years) and models



^{60}Fe emission too faint for imaging etc

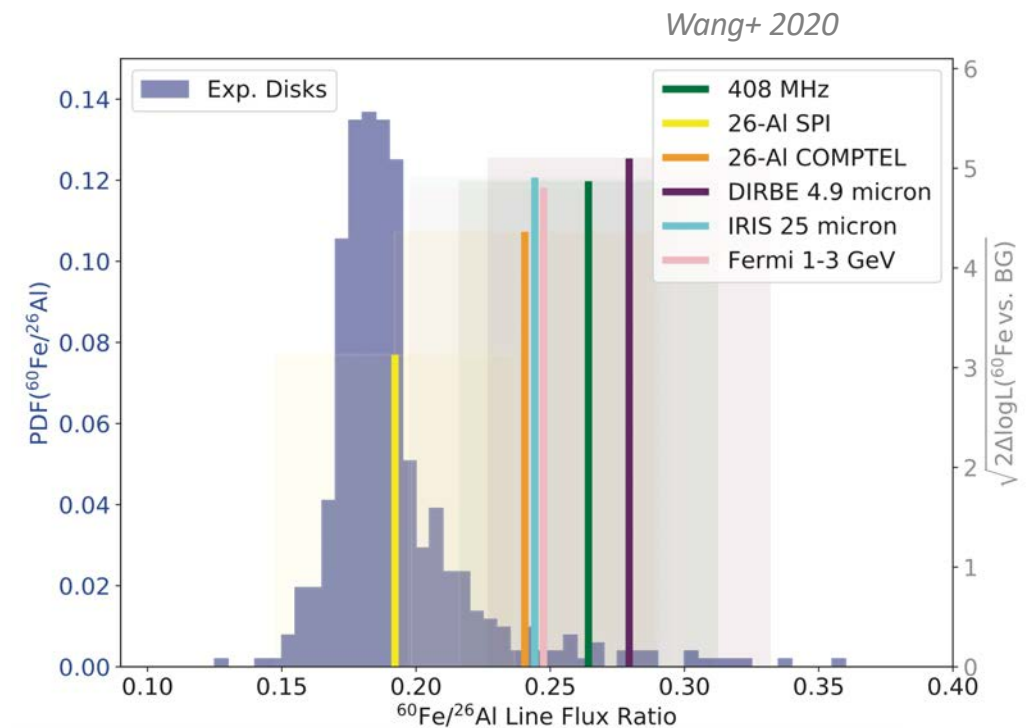
Variability study on $^{60}\text{Fe}/^{26}\text{Al}$ ratio

(systematics!)

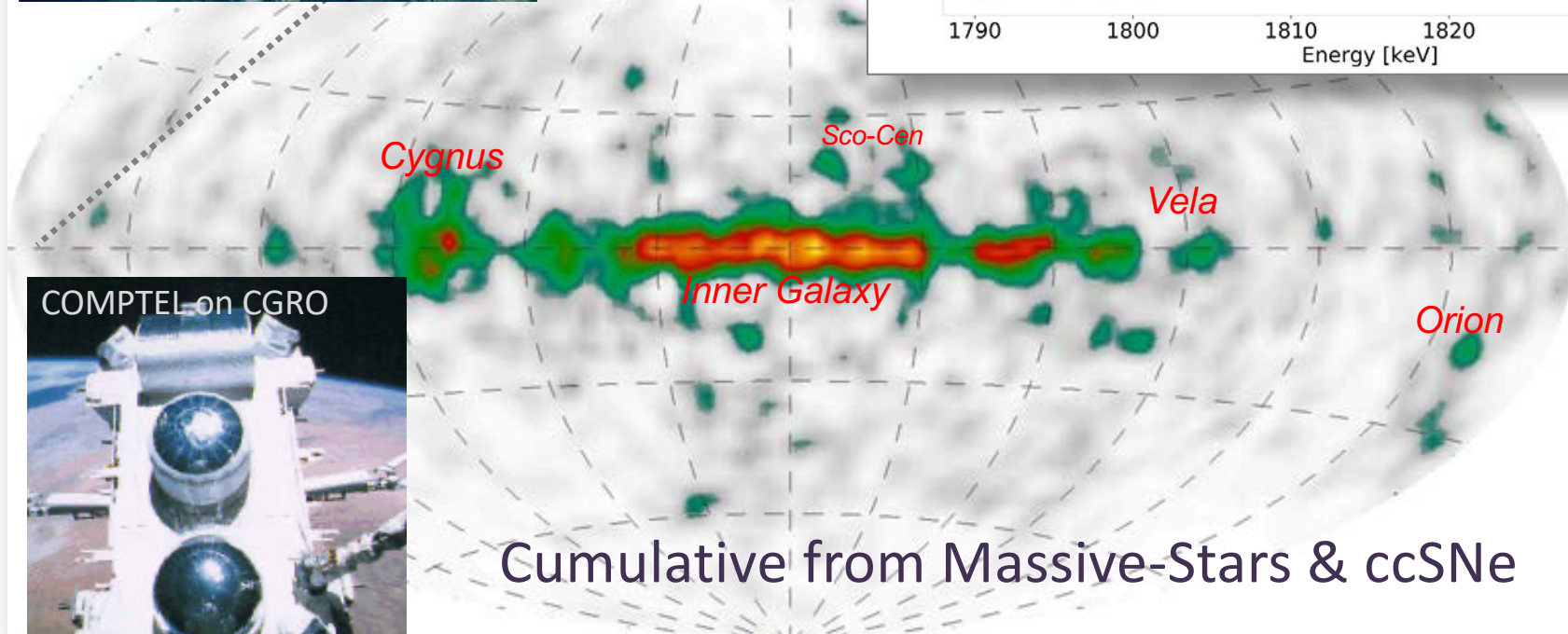
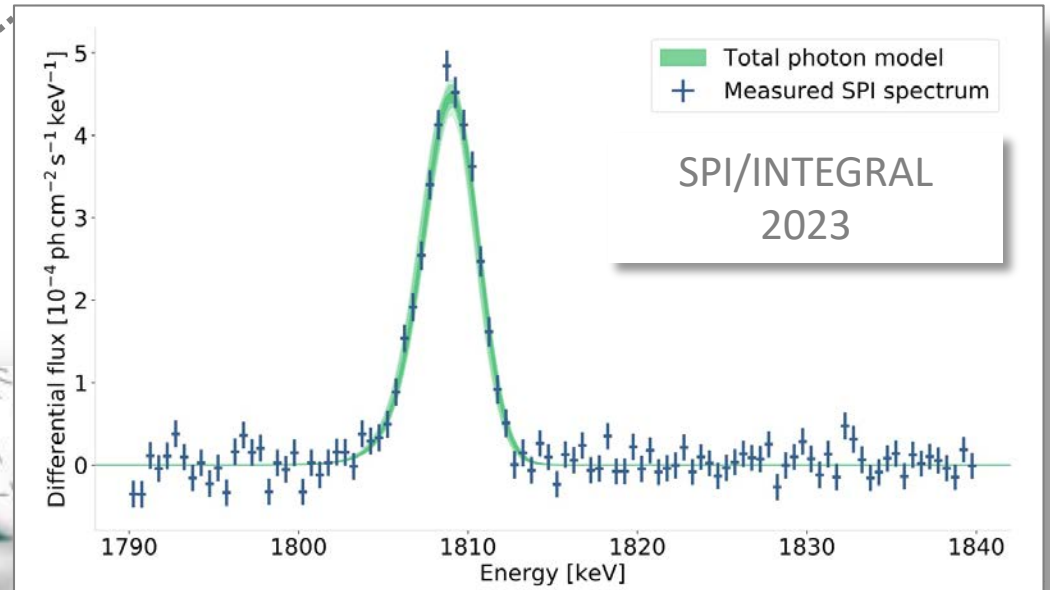
→ $^{60}\text{Fe}/^{26}\text{Al} < 0.4$ in Galaxy

cmp theory: 0.2...1,

and oceancrusts: >0.2



^{26}Al γ -rays and the galaxy-wide massive star census



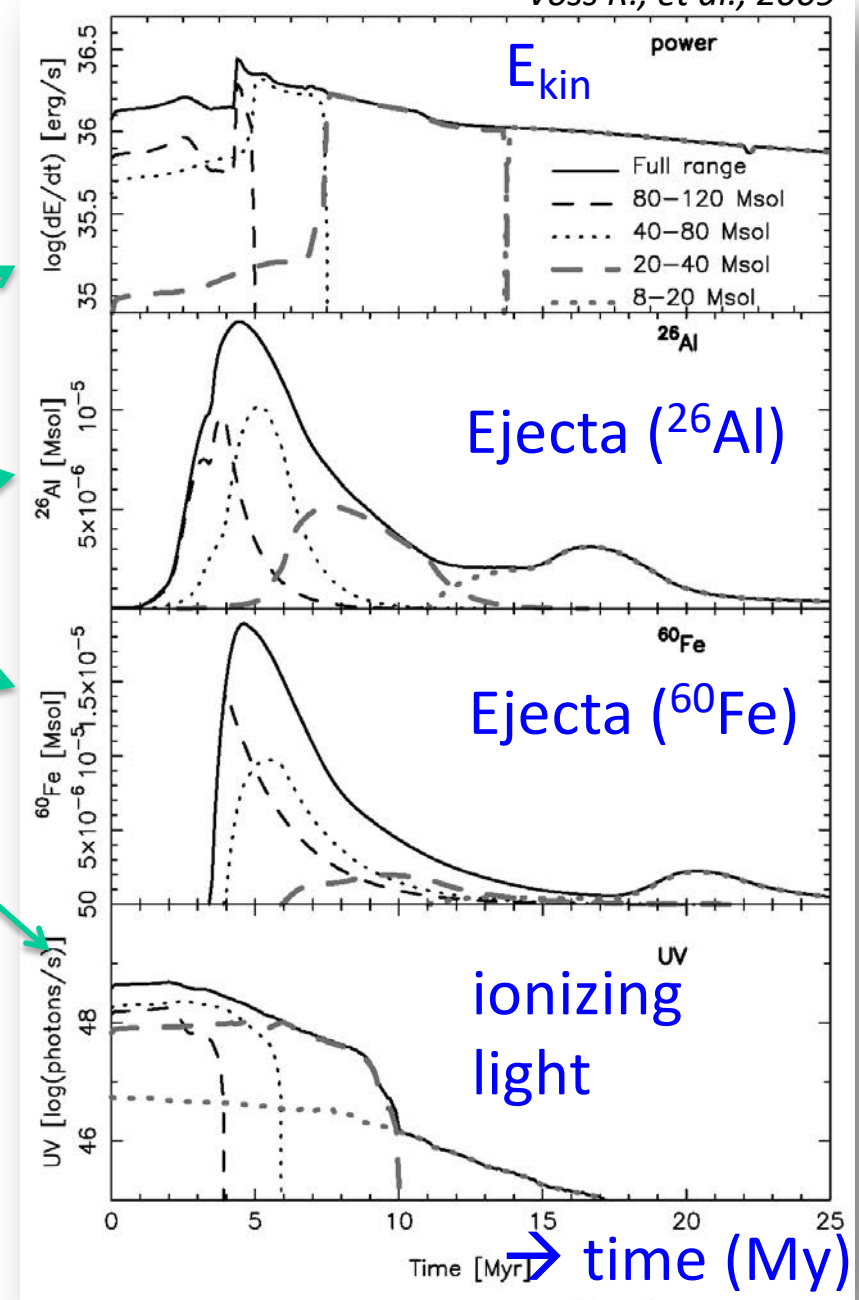
Cumulative from Massive-Stars & ccSNe

γ -ray flux \rightarrow cc-SN Rate = $1.3 (\pm 0.6)$ per Century

Massive-Star Groups: Population Synthesis

Voss R., et al., 2009

- We model the “outputs” of massive stars and their supernovae from theory
 - Winds and Explosions
 - Nucleosynthesis Ejecta
 - Ionizing Radiation
- We get observational constraints from
 - Star Counts
 - ISM Cavities
 - Free-Electron Emission
 - Radioactive Ejecta



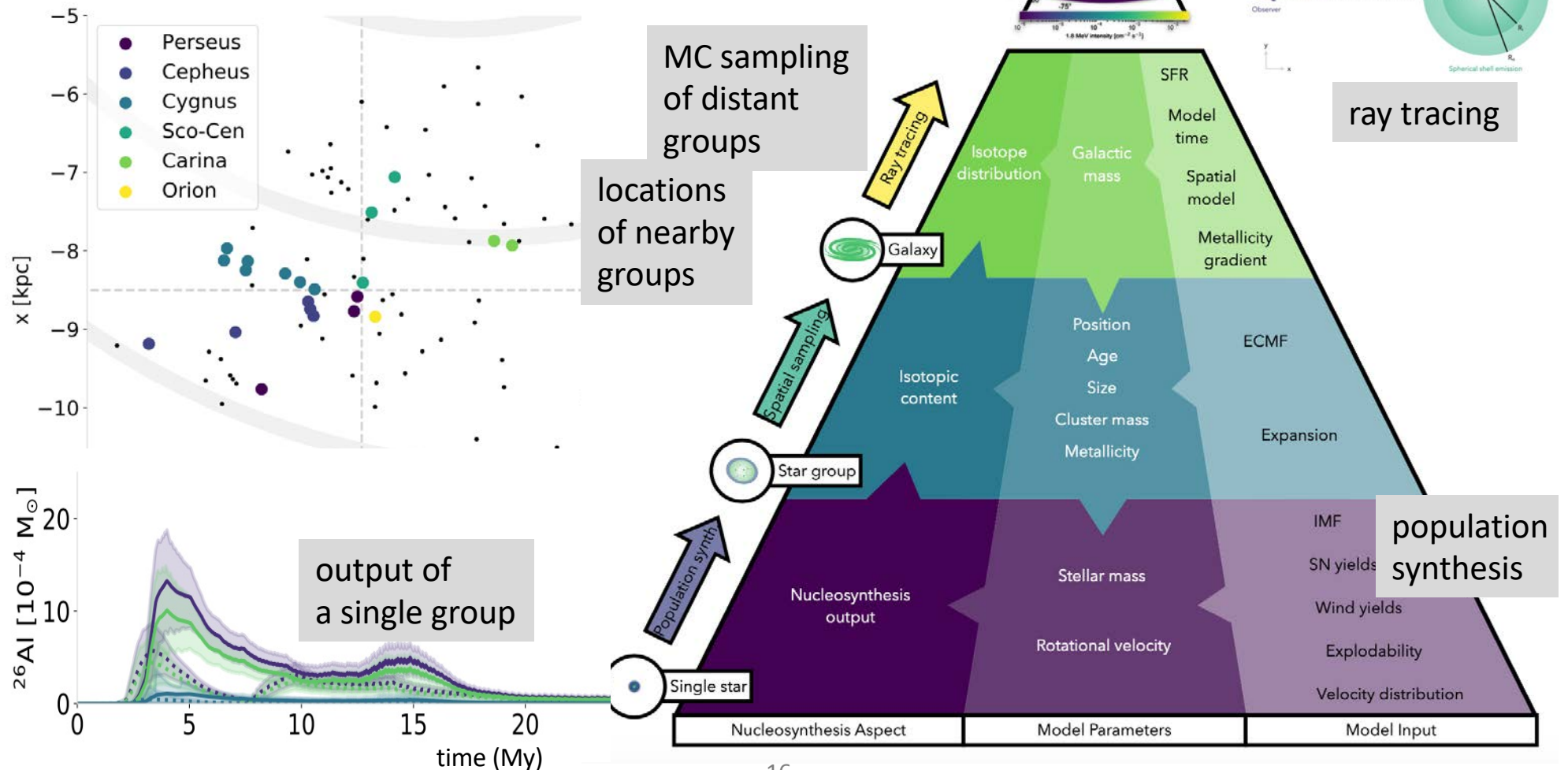
Diffuse radioactivity throughout the Galaxy

Galactic Population Synthesis Modelling

- 👉 Use stellar / SN yields and evolution times
- 👉 Include knowledge about sources (stellar groups)
- 👉 Include known groups; sample unknown groups

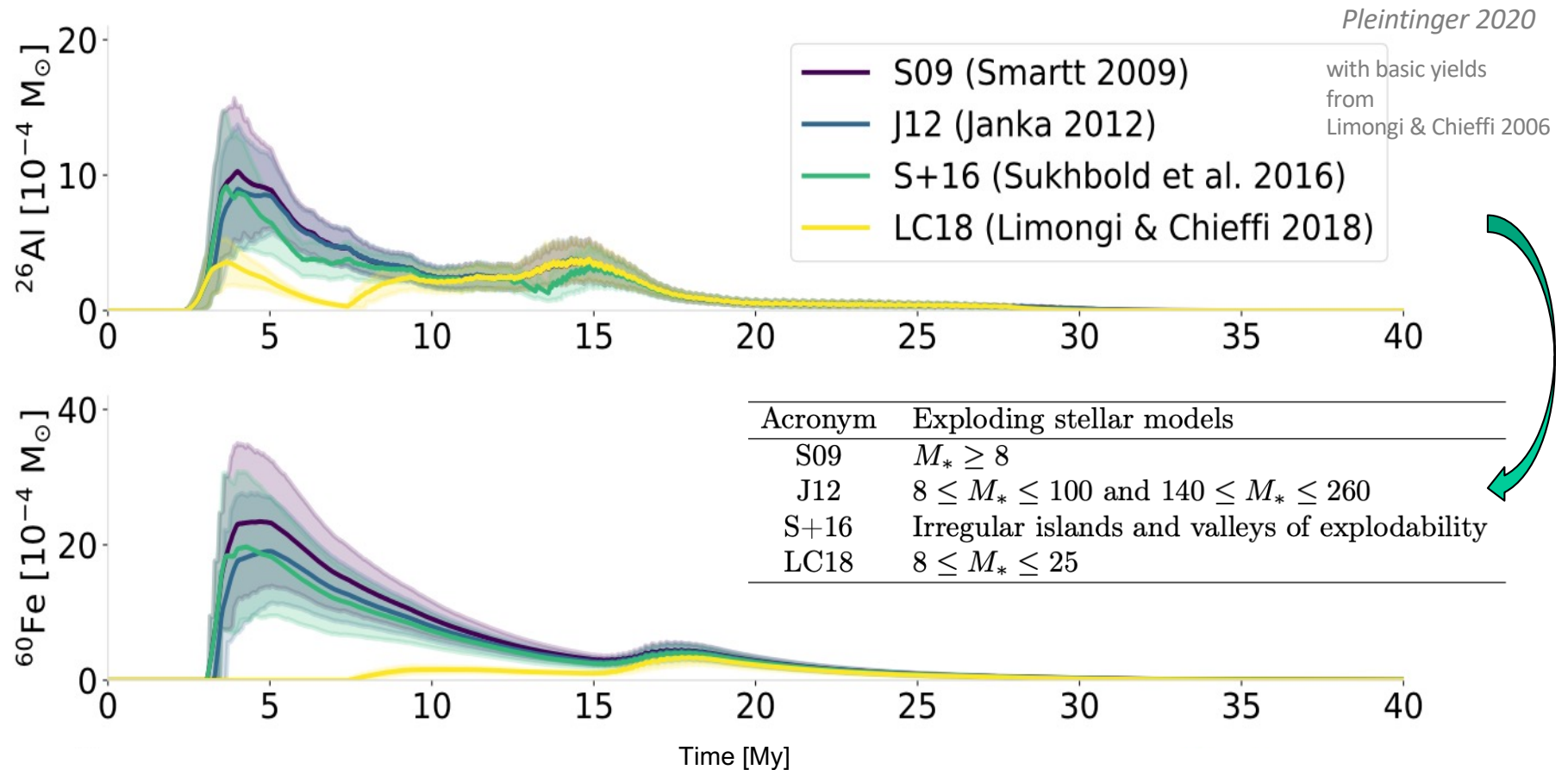
Pleintinger PhD thesis 2020
(see also Siegert+ 2023)

→ bottom-up model for the ^{26}Al observations



Population synthesis: impact of different inputs on groups

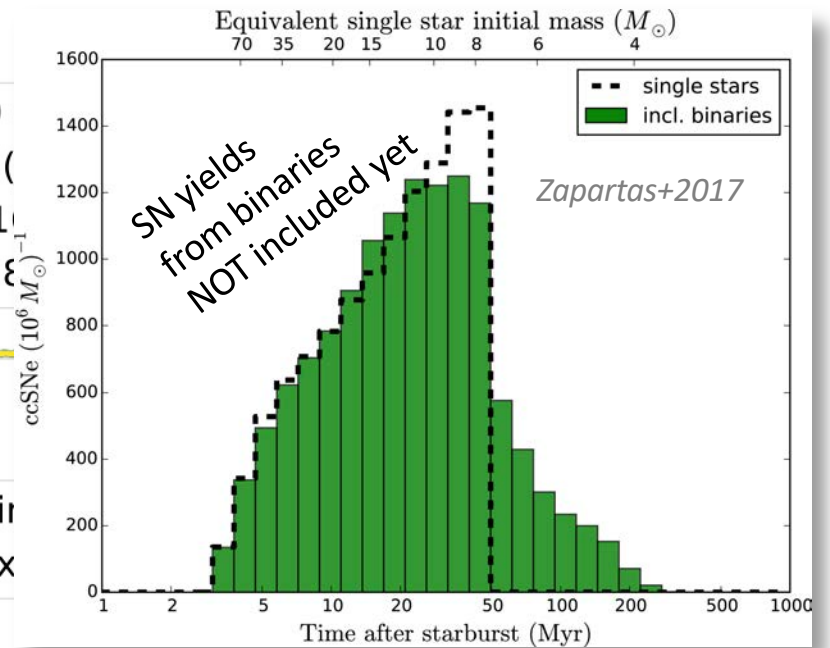
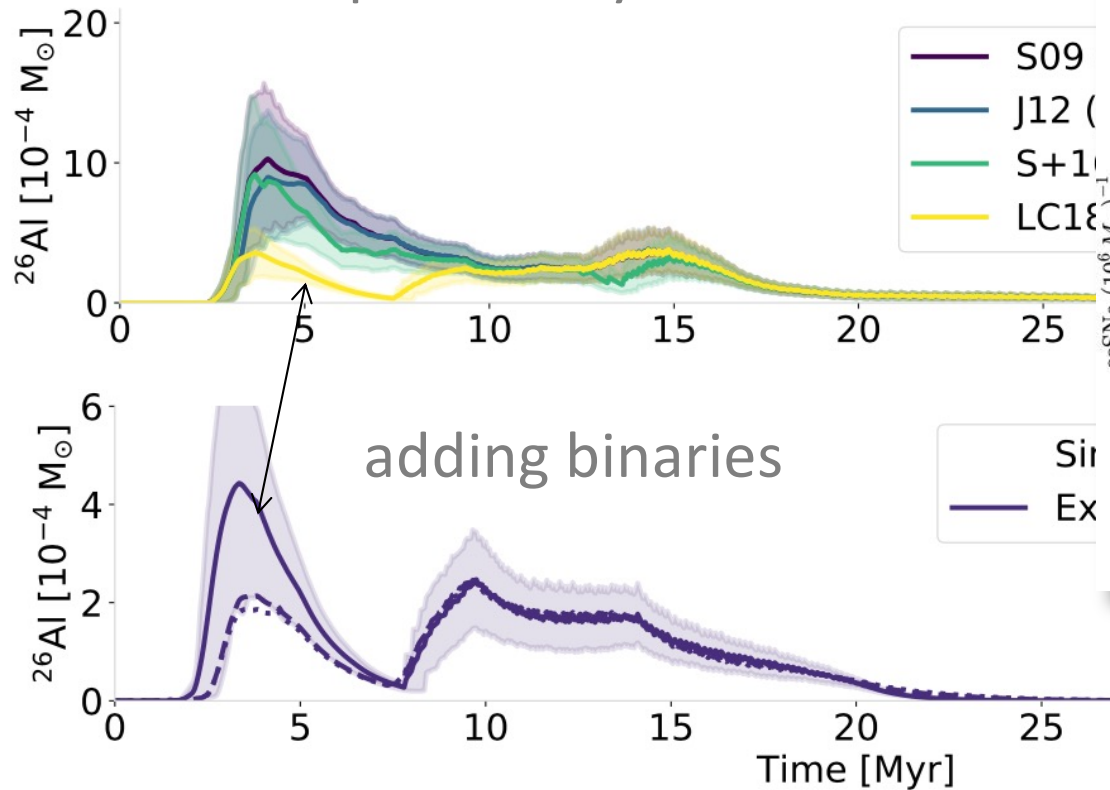
variation of explodability (*i.e.*: not all stars of high mass make a SN!)



👉 contributions from early (*i.e.* most-massive-stars') SNe eliminated if non-exploding

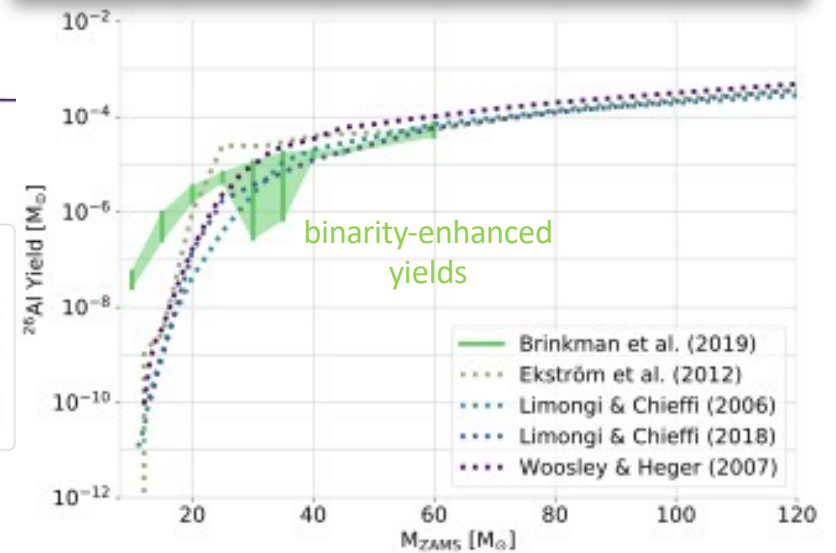
Population synthesis: impact of different inputs

variation of explodability



from Brinkman + 2019

- Binary wind yields B+19
- Binary fraction = 0.0
 - - - Binary fraction = 0.7
 - ⋯ Binary fraction = 0.9

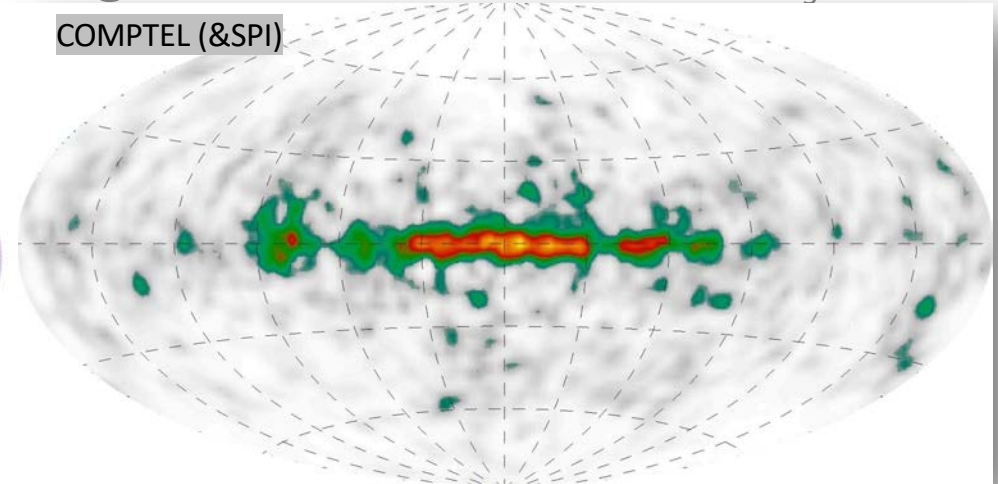
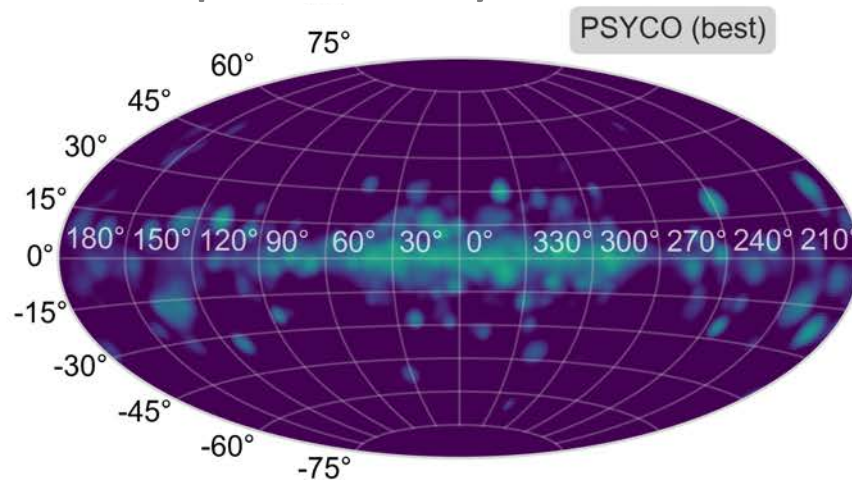


👉 contributions from early (i.e. most-massive-star) SNe reduced

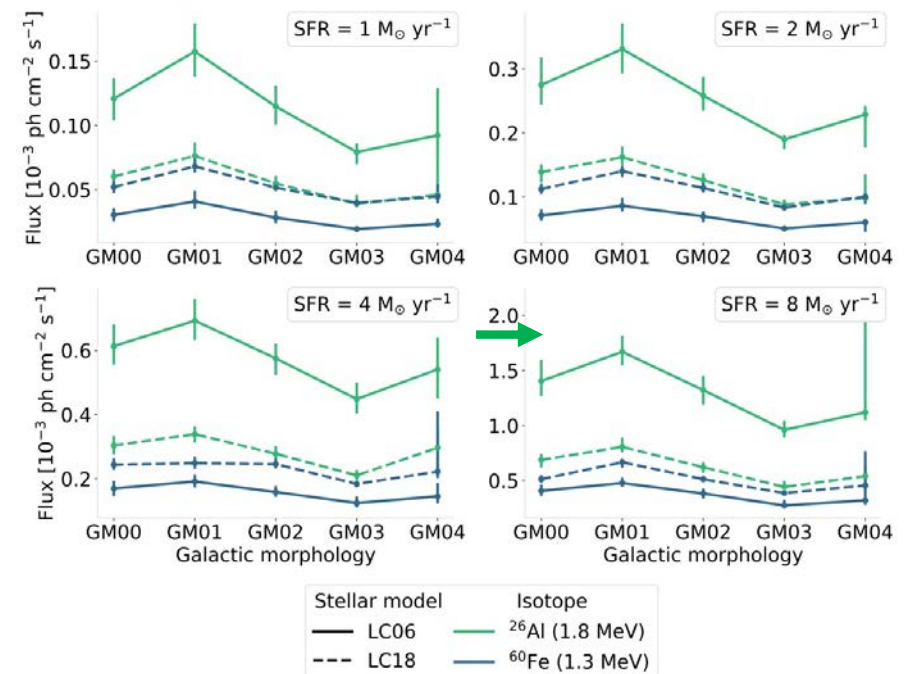
Diffuse radioactivity throughout the Galaxy

Galactic Population Synthesis Modelling versus observations

Pleintinger 2020
Siegert+ 2023

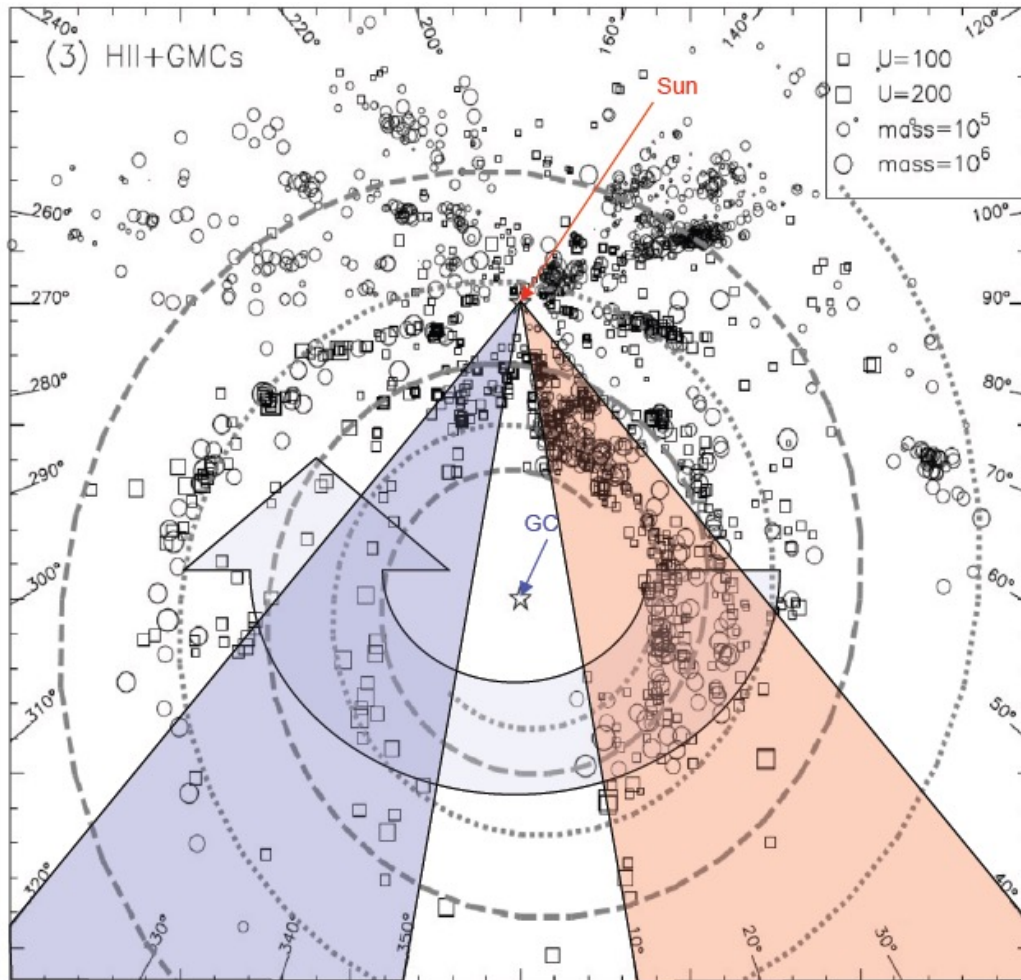


- 👉 PSYCO modeling: (30000 sample optimisation)
 - best: 4-arm spiral 700 pc, LC06 yields, SN explosions up to $25 M_{\odot}$
- 👉 SPI observation: → full sky flux $(1.84 \pm 0.03) 10^{-3} \text{ ph cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- 👉 flux from model-predicted ^{26}Al :
 - $(0.5..13) 10^{-4} \text{ ph cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ → too low
- 👉 Best-fit details (yield, explodability) depend on superbubble modelling (here: sphere only)

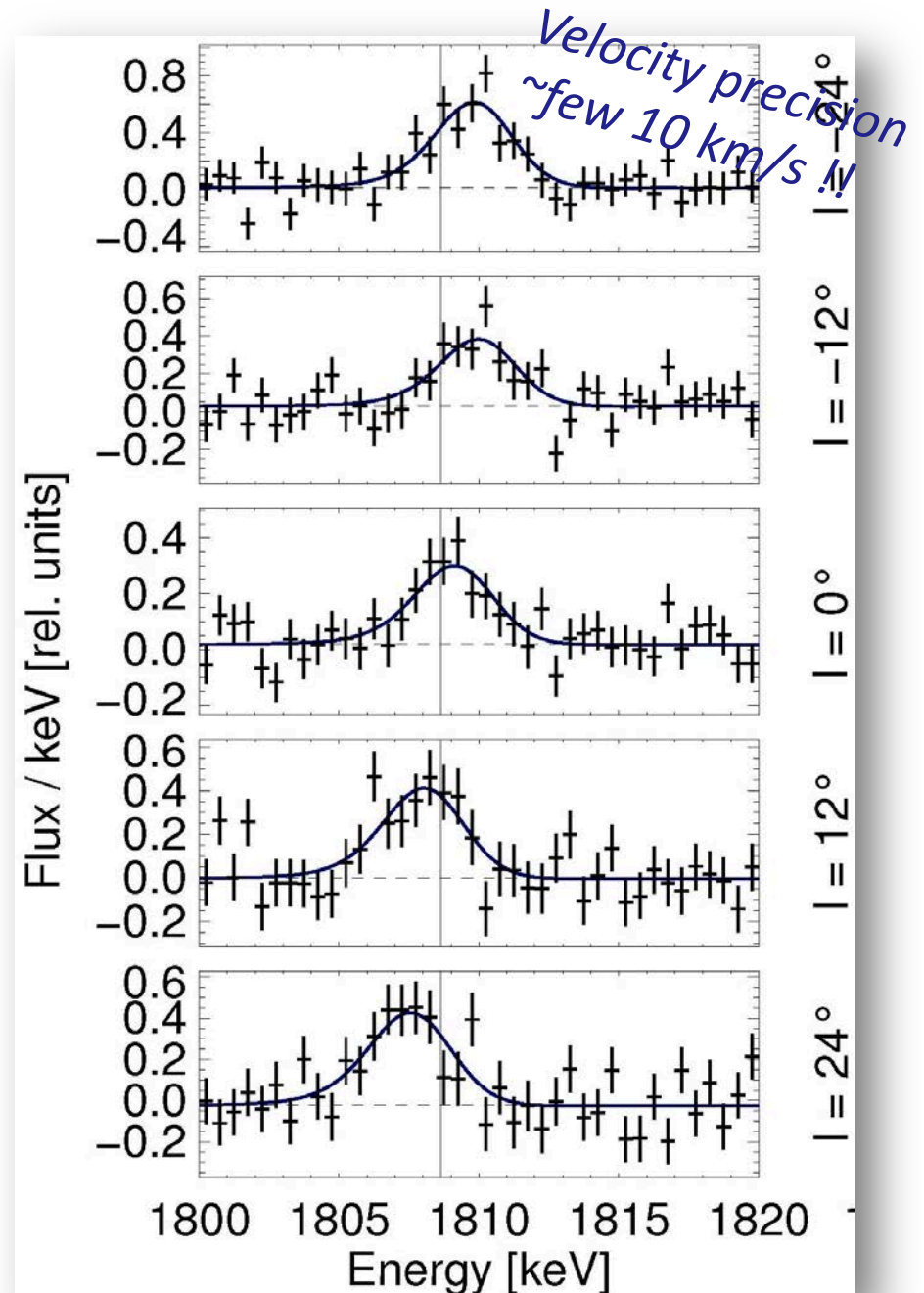


Massive Star Groups in our Galaxy: ^{26}Al γ -rays

👉 Large-scale Galactic rotation



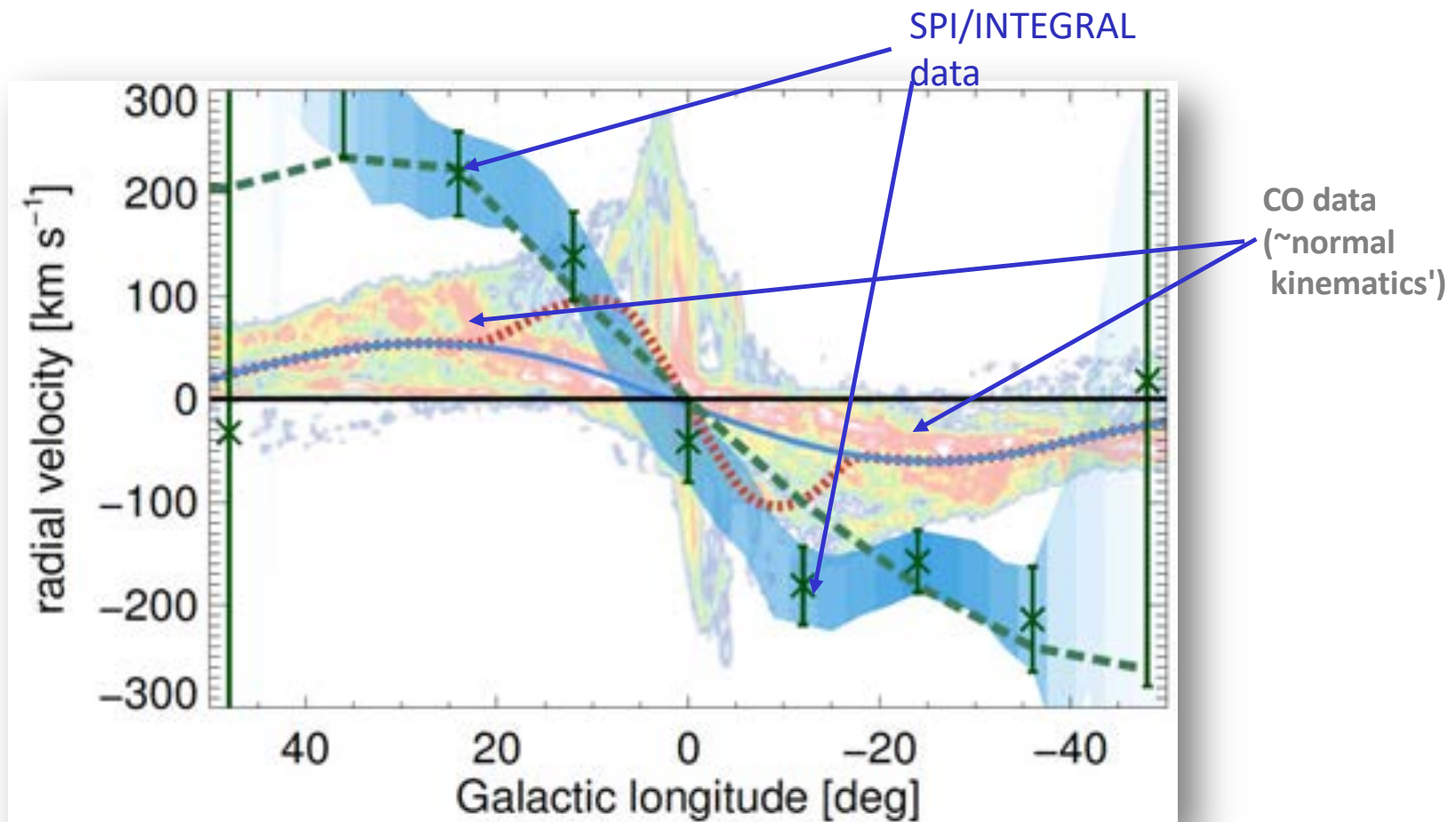
Kretschmer et al., A&A (2013)



How massive-star ejecta are spreading...

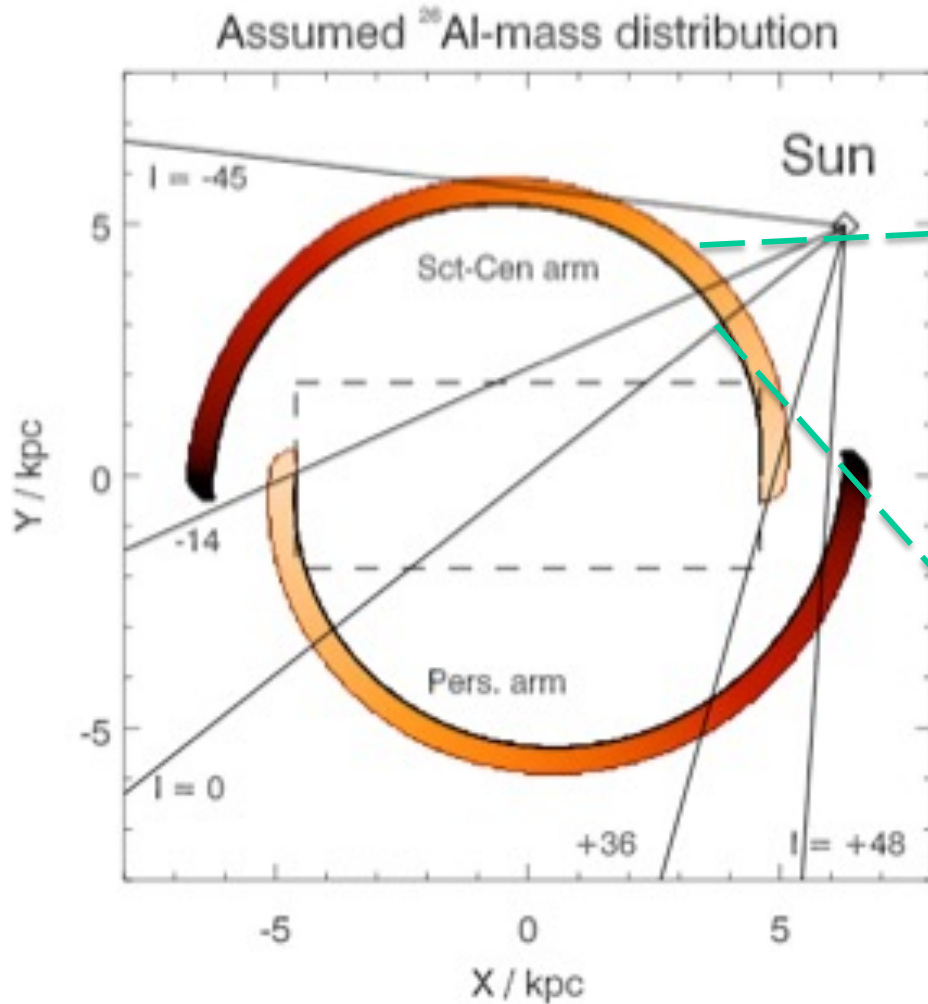
- ^{26}Al shows apparently higher galactocentric rotation (?)

Kretschmer+(2013)

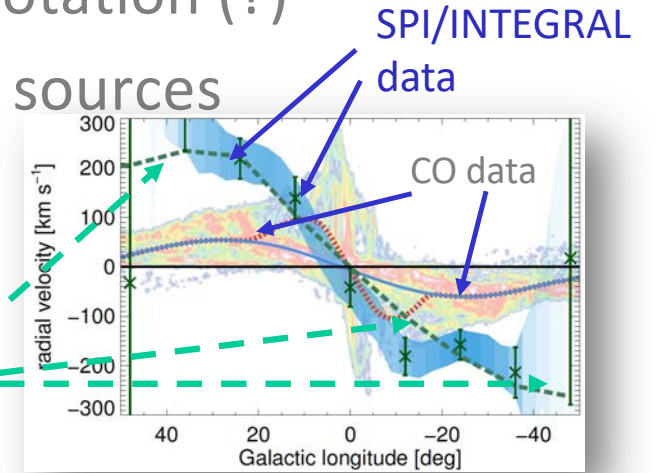


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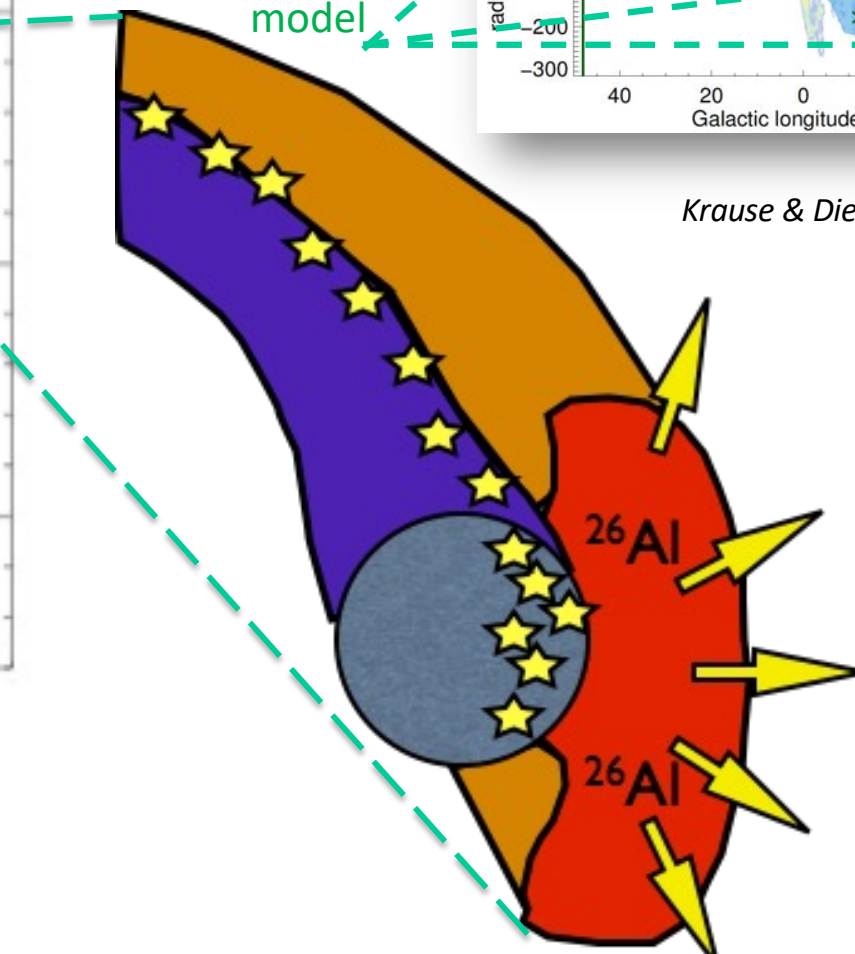
- ^{26}Al shows apparently higher galactocentric rotation (?)
- ..blown into cavities that are asymmetric wrt sources



simple geometry model

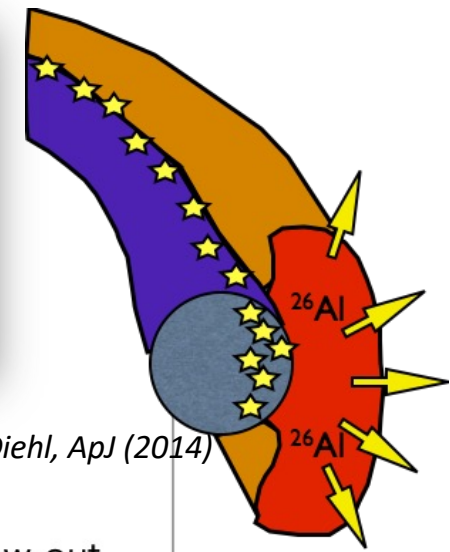
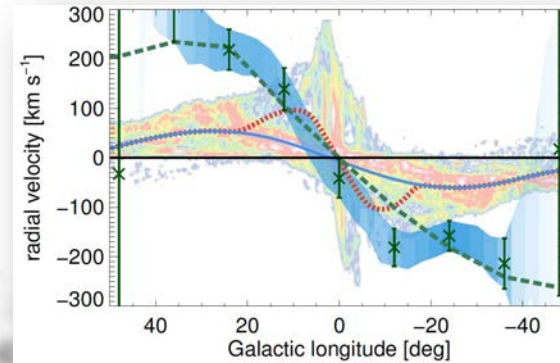


Krause & Diehl, ApJ (2014)



How massive-star ejecta are spread out...

Superbubbles extended away from massive-star groups



Krause & Diehl, ApJ (2014)

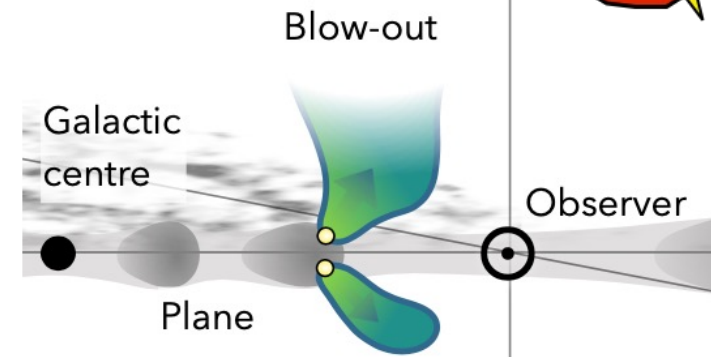
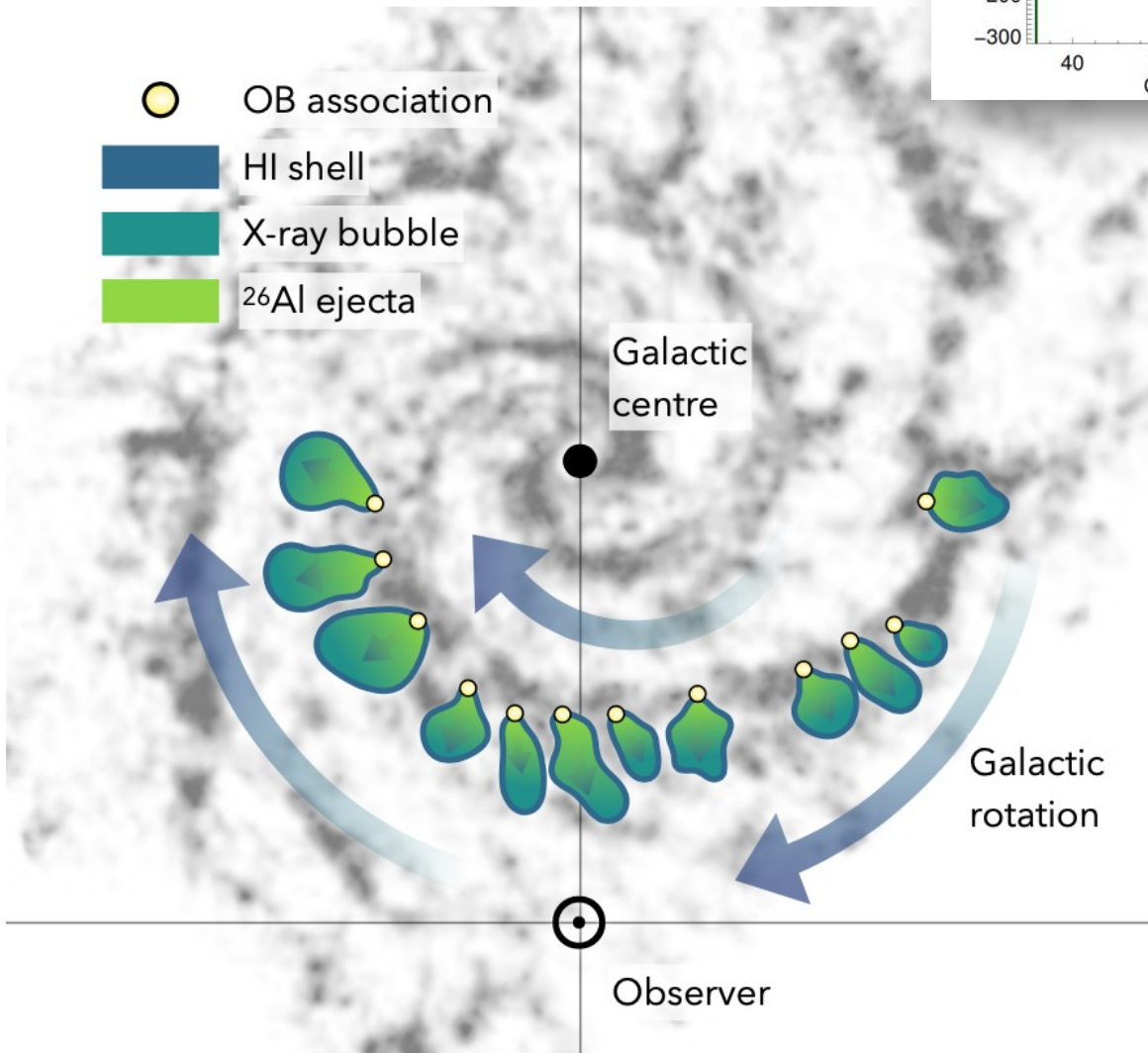
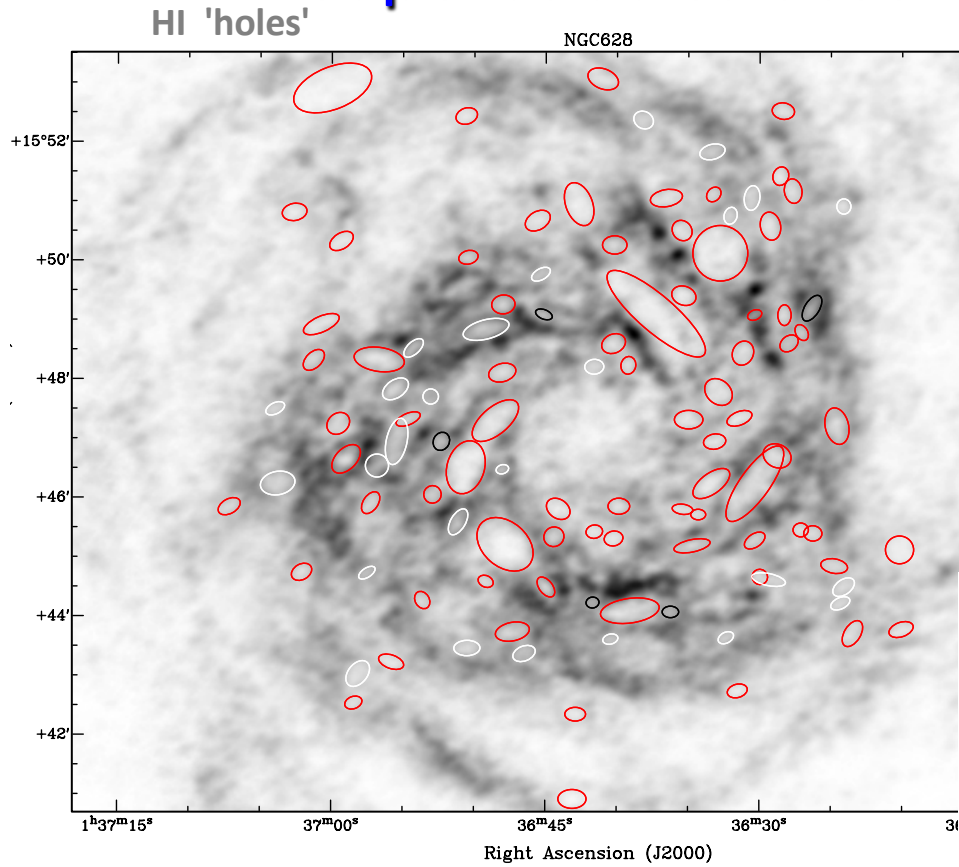
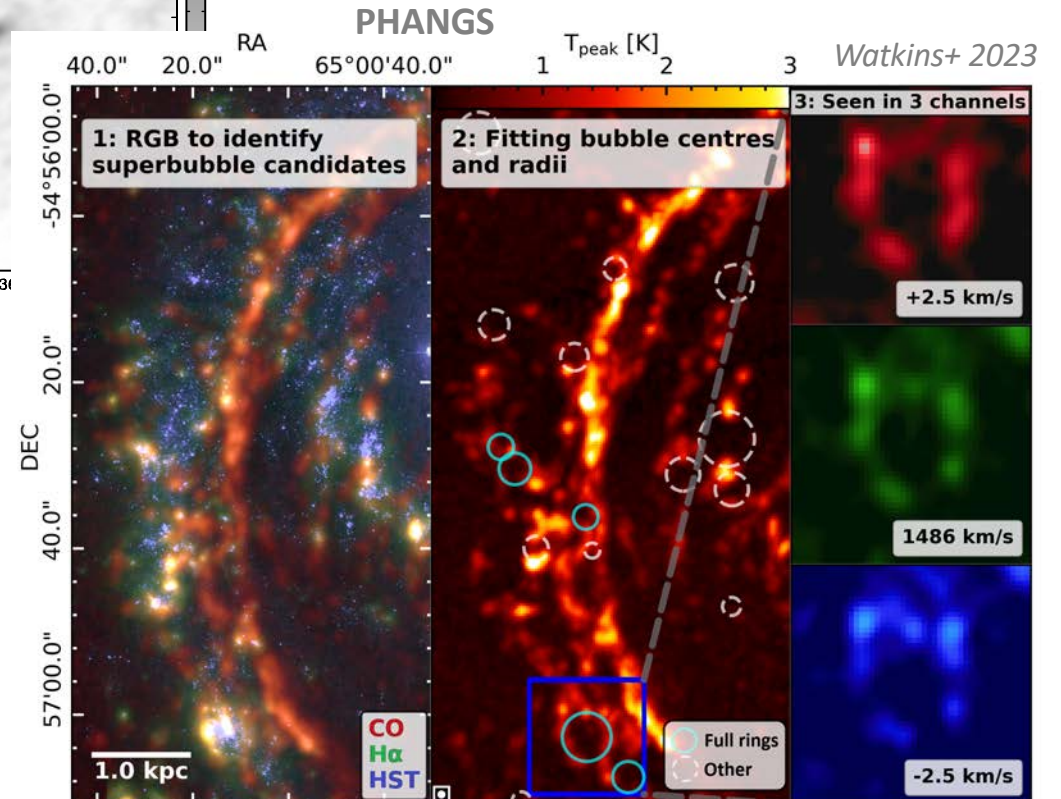


Illustration by M. Pleintinger (2020)

Superbubbles observations in other galaxies



Bagetakos+ 2011

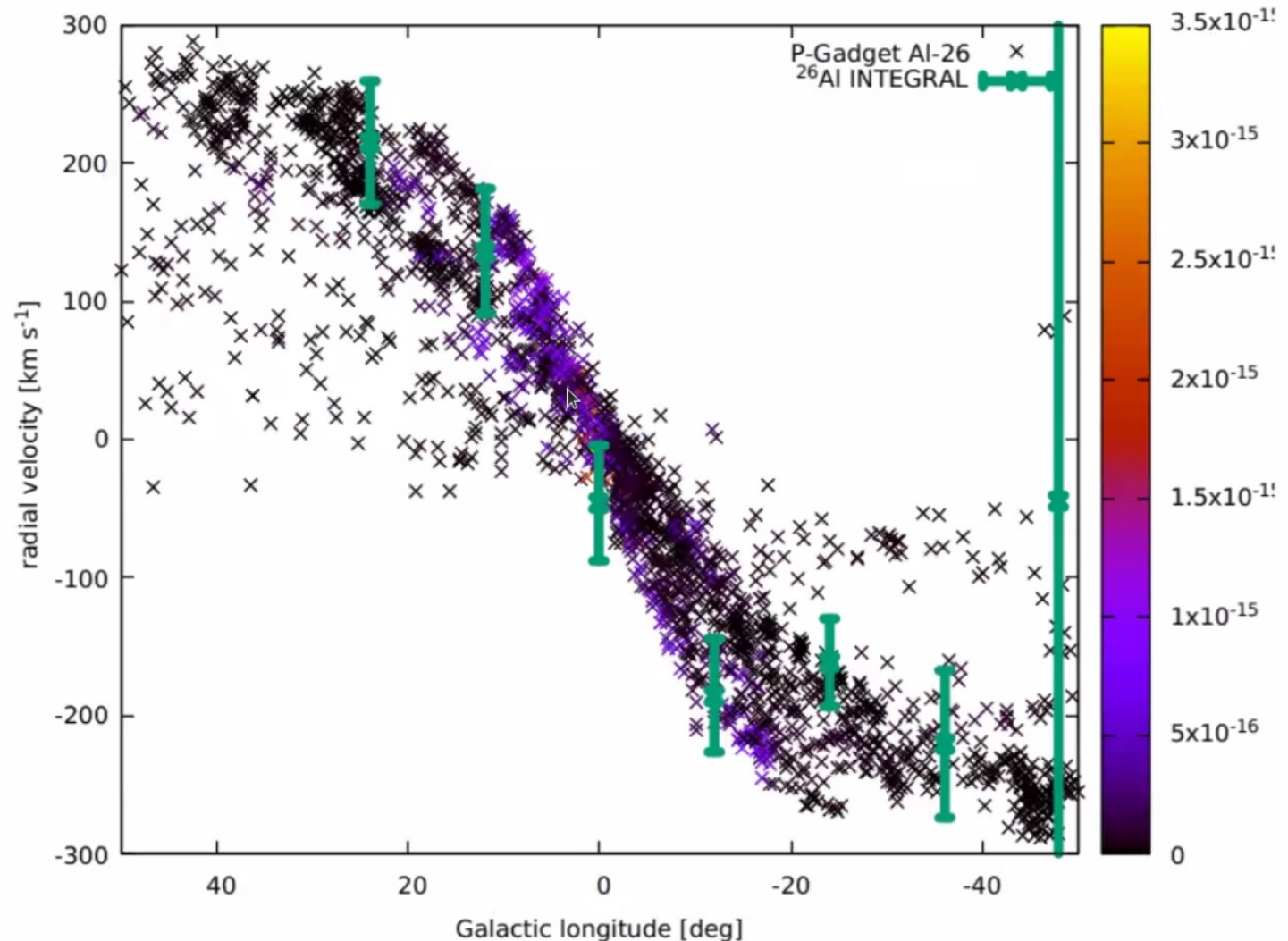


Simulations of (inhomogeneous) galactic evolution

→ ejecta with excess velocities appear naturally within a spiral galaxy

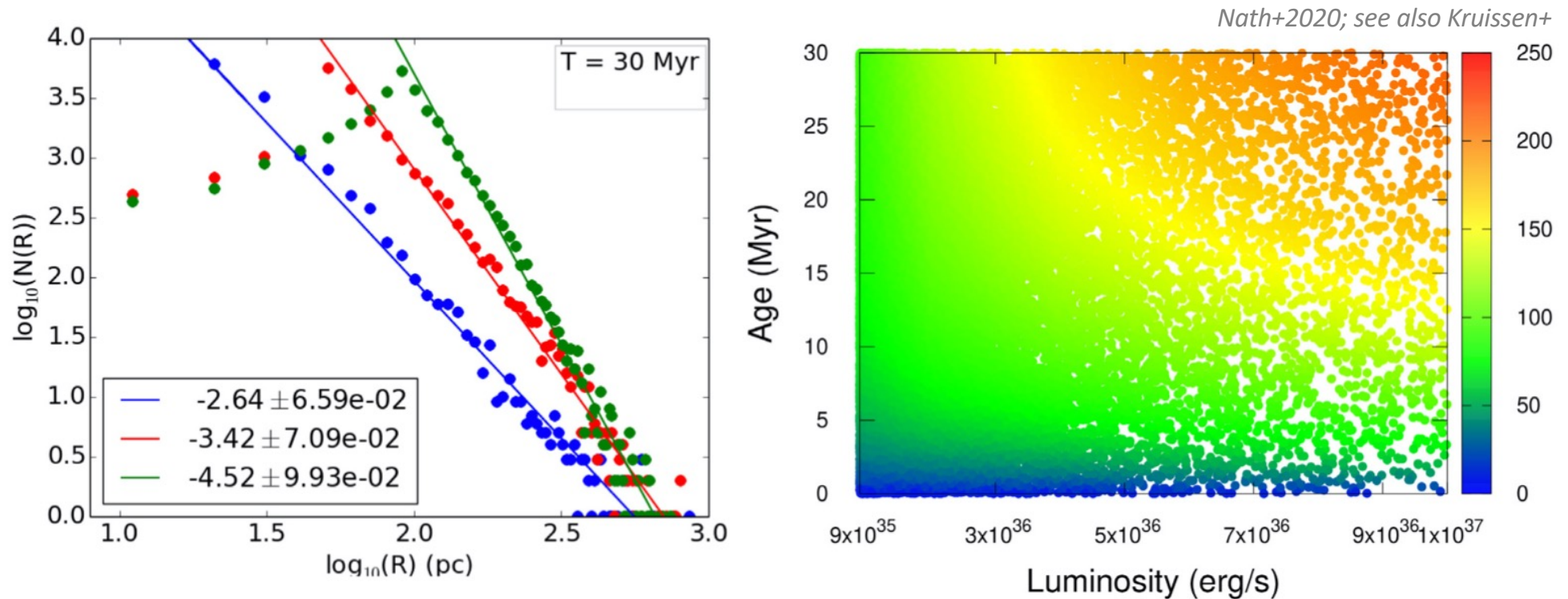
3D SPH simulation: analyze velocities in typical SF regions

Wehmeyer & Kobayashi 2021



Stellar Feedback – insights from theory & simulations

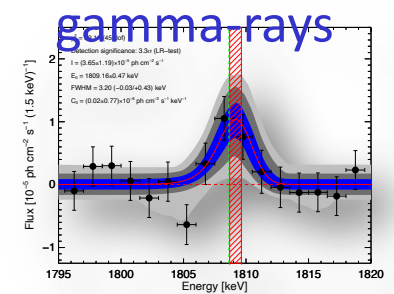
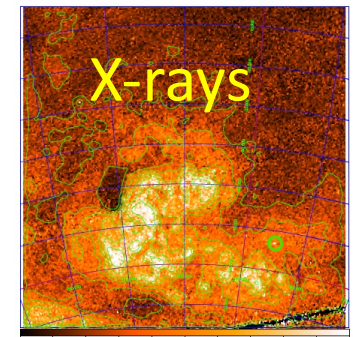
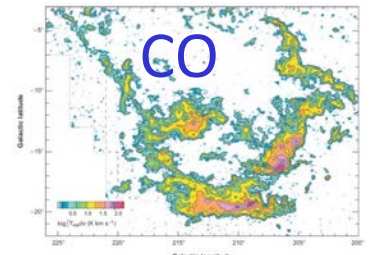
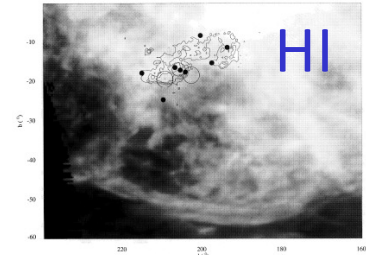
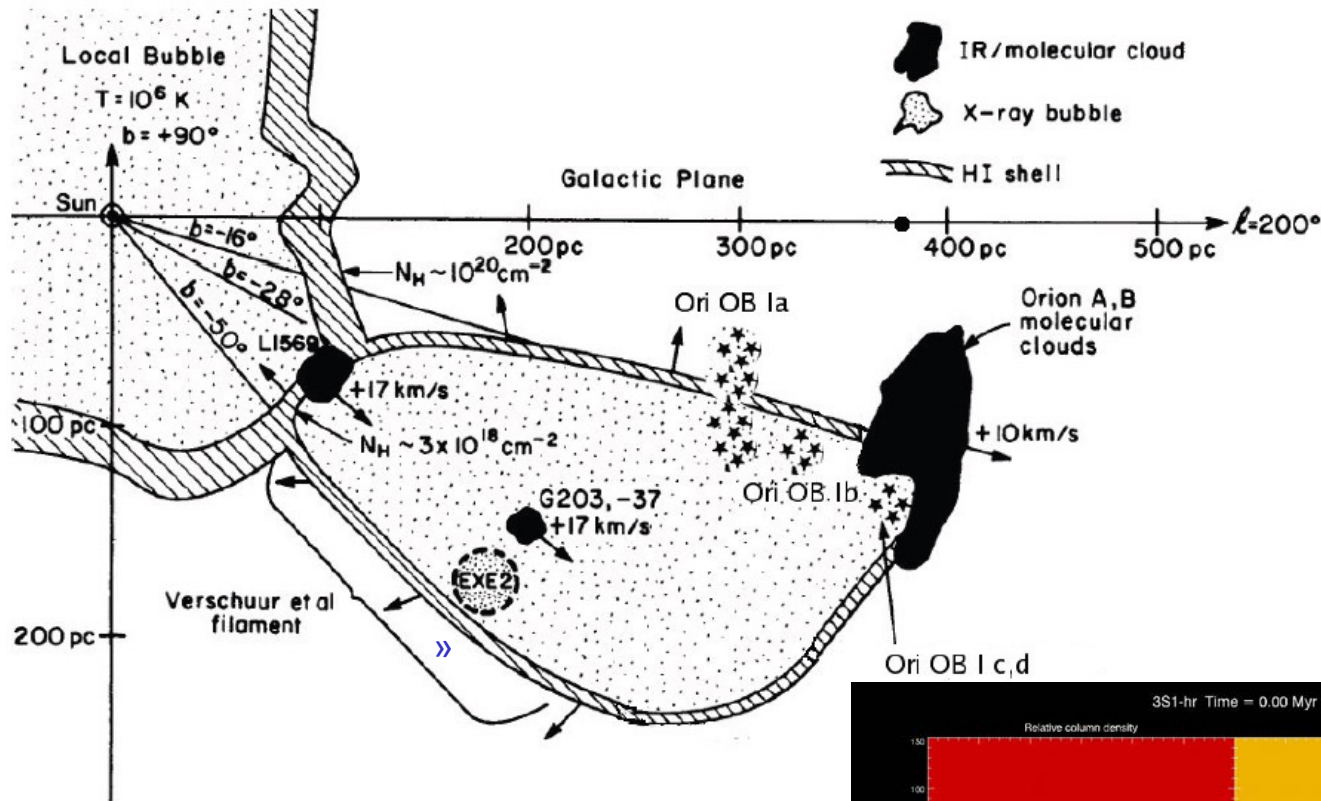
- Stellar feedback is main driver of ISM and the baryon cycle
- Superbubbles are major elements / observable consequences



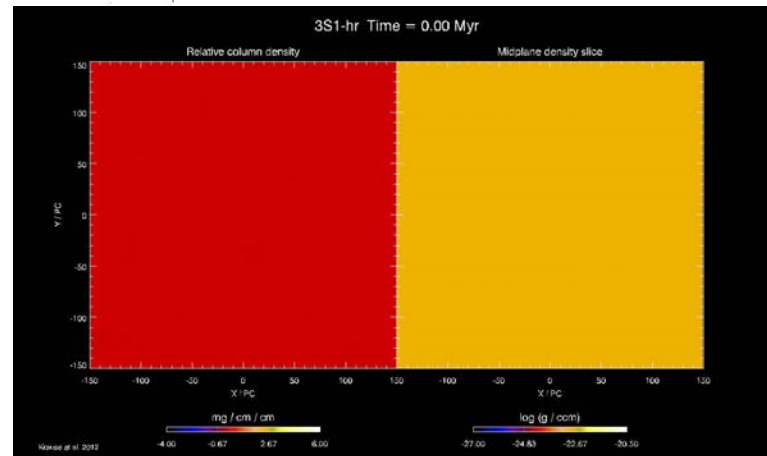
- Typical superbubble sizes extend to kpc
- Next-generation star formation occurs on the SB scale ($\sim 300 \text{ pc}$)

Orion-Eridanus: A superbubble blown by stars & supernovae

ISM is driven by stars and supernovae → Ejecta commonly in (super-)bubbles



Krause+ 2014, Fierlinger+ 2016,
Voss+ 2010, Diehl+2003



3D MHD sim, 0.1..0.005 pc resolution

Krause+ 2013ff

Understanding the Eridanus Superbubble

- X-ray Emission, size, ^{26}Al

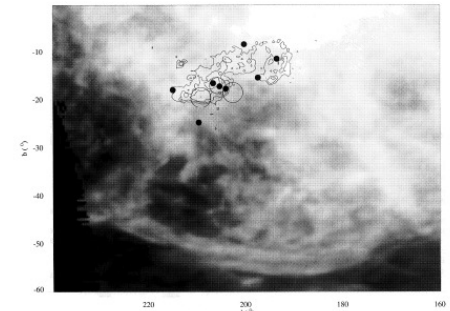
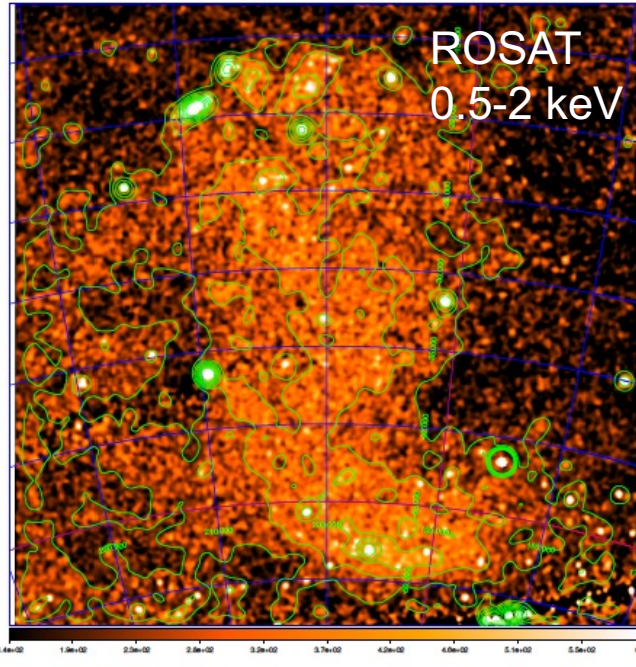
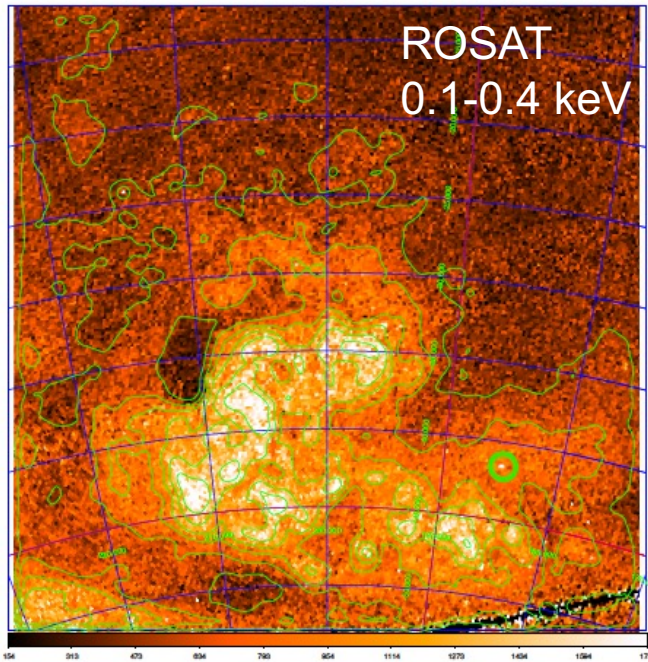
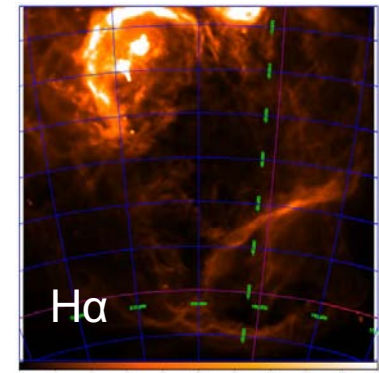
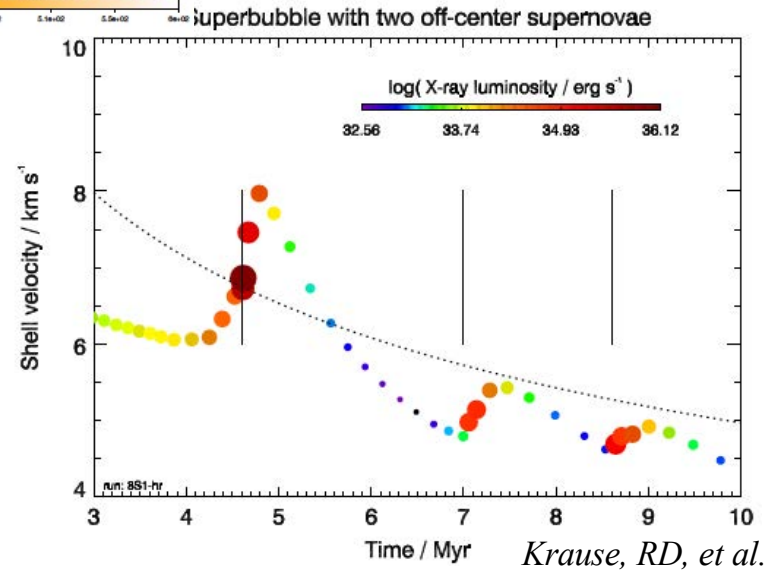


Fig. 7. The position of the Orion OB1 association with respect to the H I shell. The grey scale image is a logarithmically scaled representation of integrated H I emission in the velocity interval $-1 \text{ km s}^{-1} \leq v_{\text{LSR}} \leq +8 \text{ km s}^{-1}$. The contour outline is the 100 μm (IRAS) emission from the Orion A and B molecular clouds (the ring around $(l, b) = (195^\circ, -12^\circ)$ is the λ -Orionis ring). The dots show the brightest stars in the Orion constellation. The circles show the positions of the three main subgroups of Orion OB1. From right to left are shown 1a, 1b and 1c.



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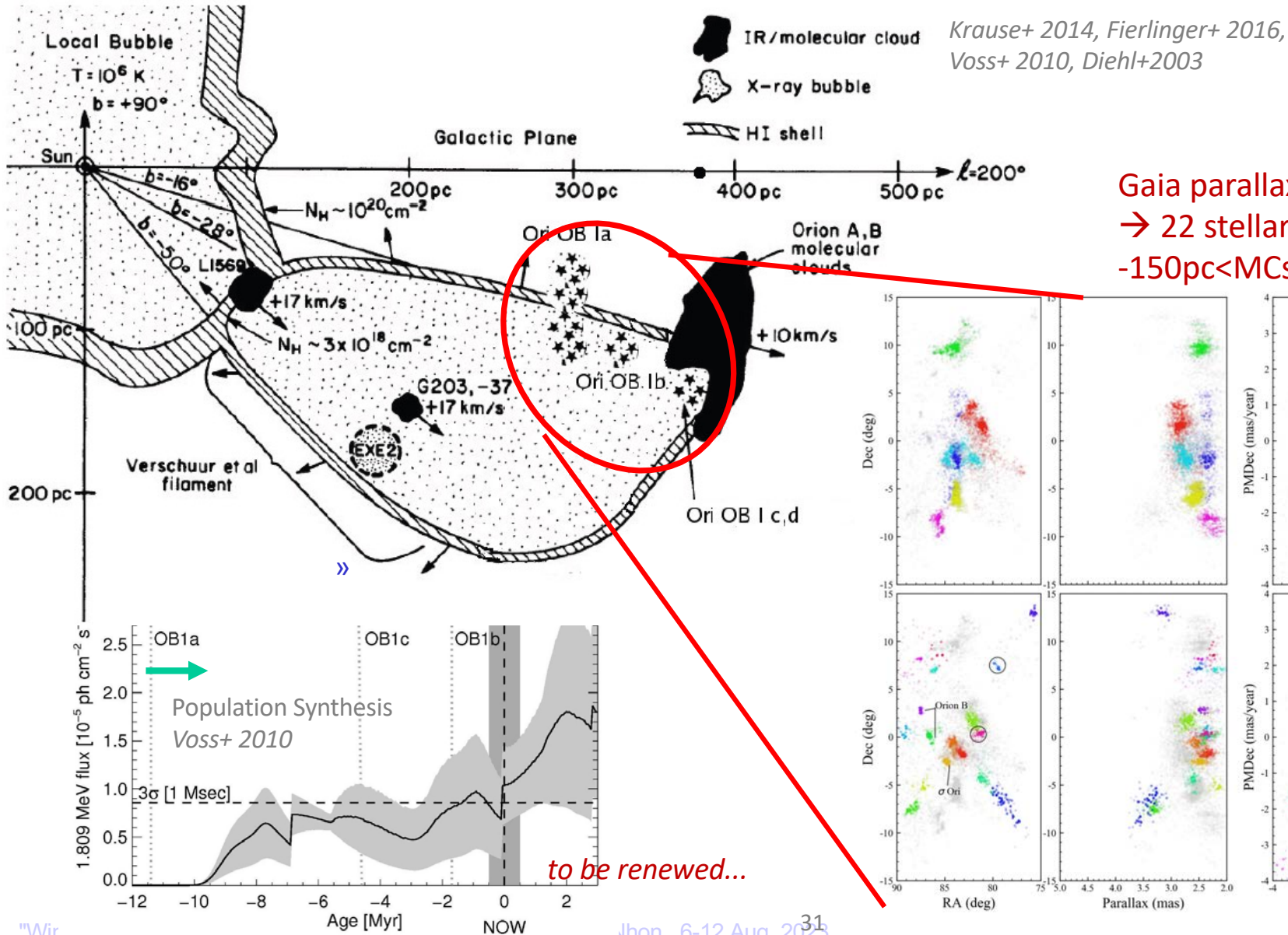
★ spatial oscillations



Stars, structures, & shells

ISM is driven by stars and supernovae

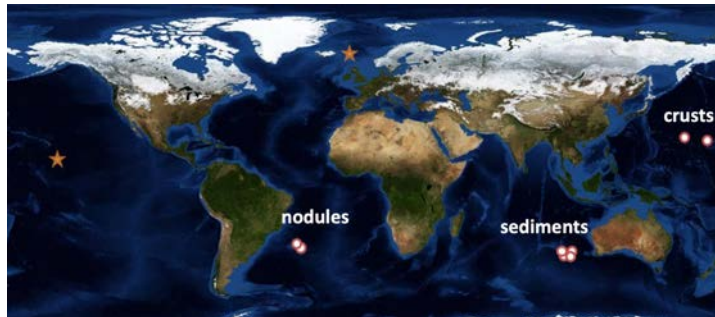
→ Use stellar census for estimation of driving energy & nucleosynthesis (^{26}Al)



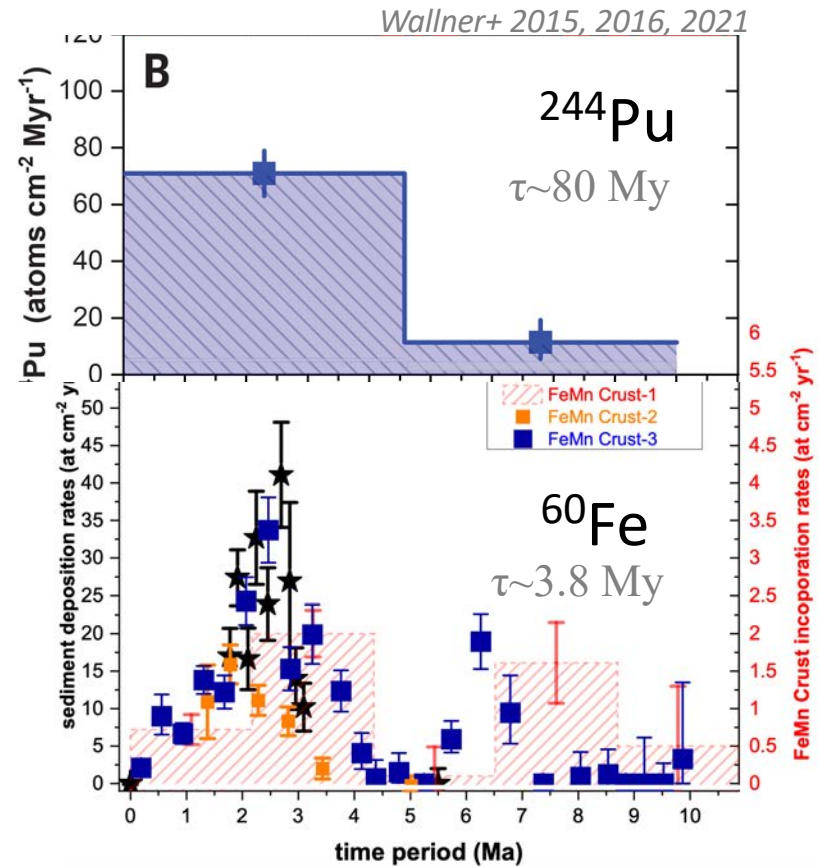
^{60}Fe and ^{244}Pu from nearby nucleosynthesis found on Earth



Knie+ 2004, Fimiani+ 2016, Ludwig+ 2016, Koll+ 2019,



+ lunar material probes; + antarctic snow



peak of radioactivity influx
 ≈ 3 & 6-8 My ago!

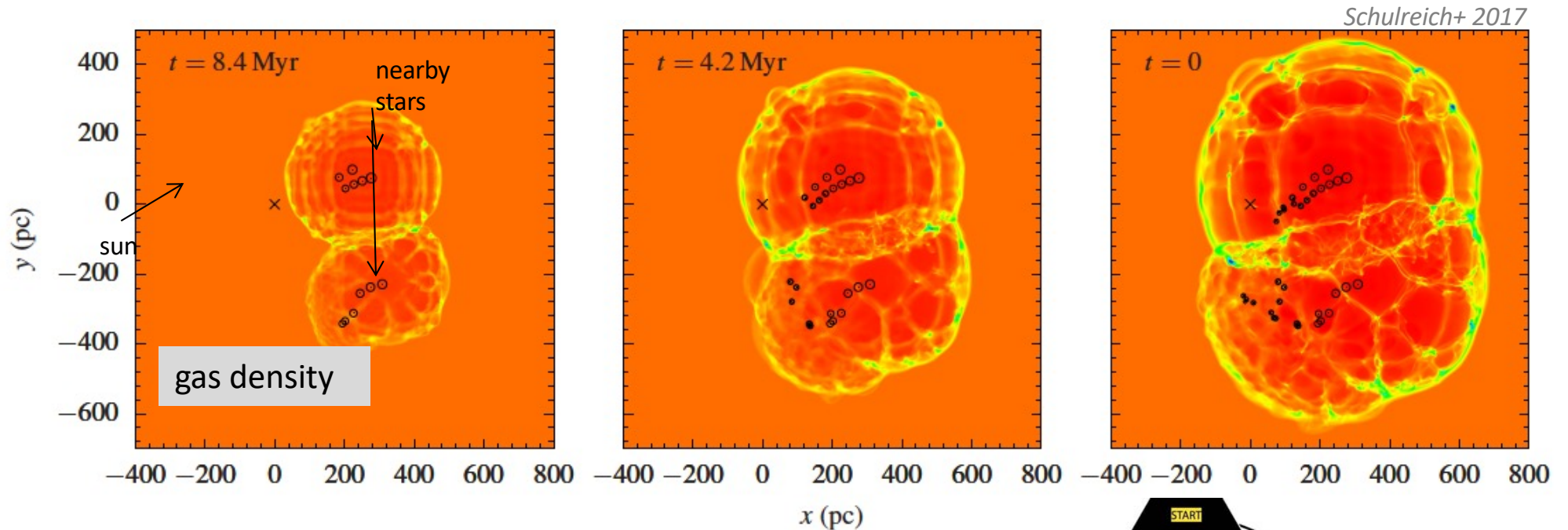
What are its sources?

How did these traces of nucleosynthesis get here?

^{60}Fe on Earth from recent nearby supernovae?

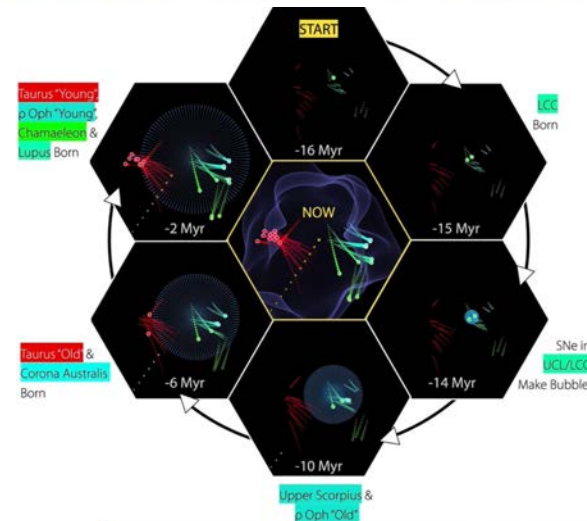
The Sun is (now) located inside a hot cavity (the "Local Bubble")

SN explosions within LB \rightarrow ejecta flows reach the Solar System



see also Zucker+ 2022

for a recent update on the Local Bubble and the Sco-Cen SN activity, confirming this local superbubble interpretation with dust cloud maps and Gaia data

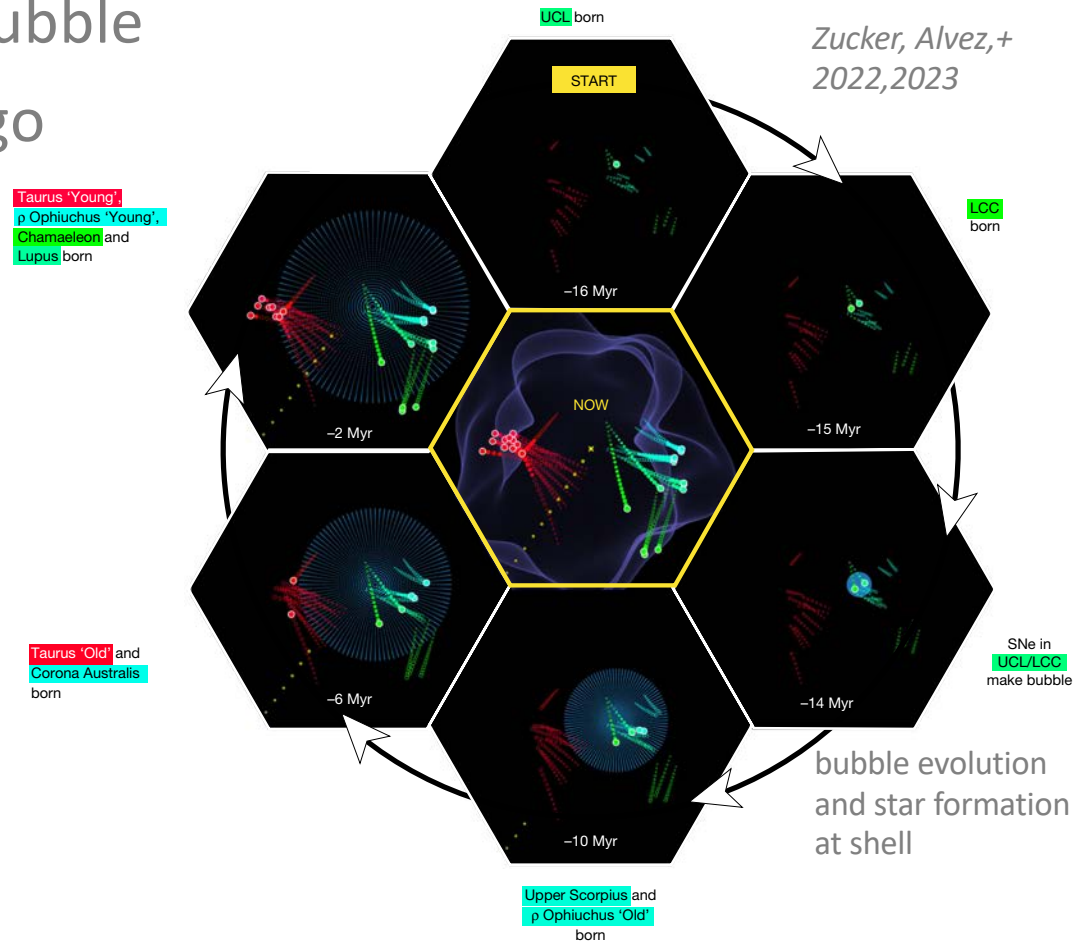
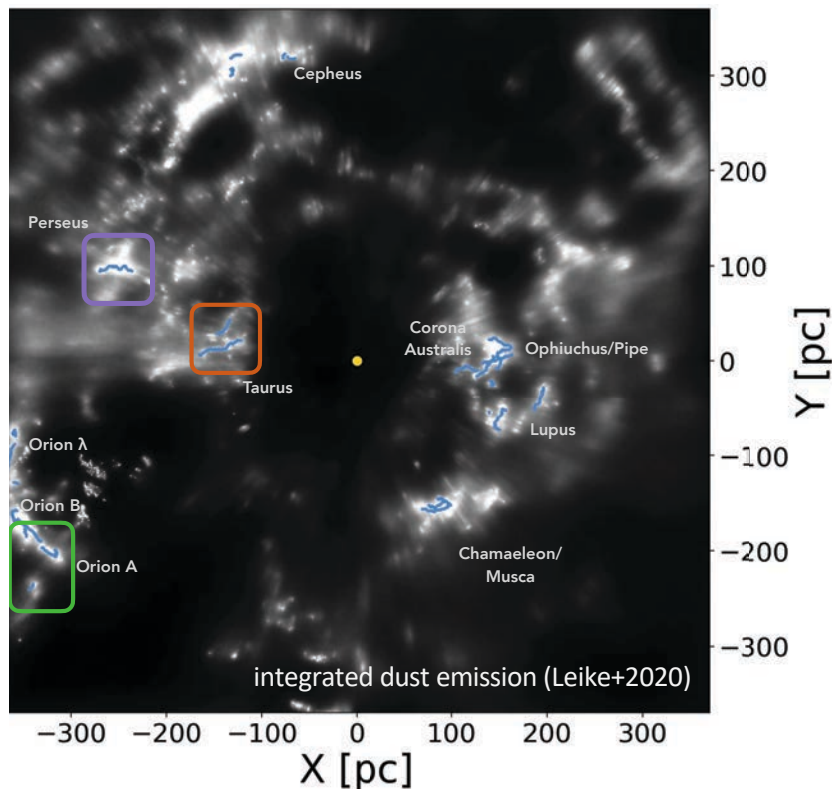


Recent nearby supernovae and the Local Bubble

The Sun is (now) located inside a hot cavity (the "Local Bubble")

SN explosions created the Local Bubble

The Sun entered the LB ~10 My ago



ISM dynamics and trajectory of the Sun lead to encounters with SB wall and quenching of the heliosphere from cloud encounters
→ nucleosynthesis ejecta flows can reach the Solar System

Tracing Nucleosynthesis Ejecta - Summary

- ★ Cycling of cosmic gas through sources and ISM is a challenge
 - 👉 Source afterglows reach out to \sim years (SNe) or few 10,000 y (SNR)
 - 👉 ^{26}Al with radioactive lifetime Myrs extends these traces

- ★ ^{26}Al gamma-ray spectroscopy shows new aspects
 - 👉 ^{26}Al preferentially appears in superbubbles
 - massive-star ejecta are rarely due to single WR stars or SNe
 - 👉 several massive-star groups are consistent with this view
 - 👉 the local cavities around the Sun reflect the Sco-Cen group and its activities
 - 👉 ^{60}Fe is a second radio-isotope, and even found on Earth from nearby nucleosynthesis → get a detailed local view

- ★ Varied messengers complement ISM studies of ejecta
 - 👉 Radioactivity provides a unique and different view on cosmic isotopes (via gamma rays, stardust, CRs, sediments)

