

A MULTI-PHASE AND MULTI-SCALE VIEW OF THE ISM IN THE CARINA NEBULA

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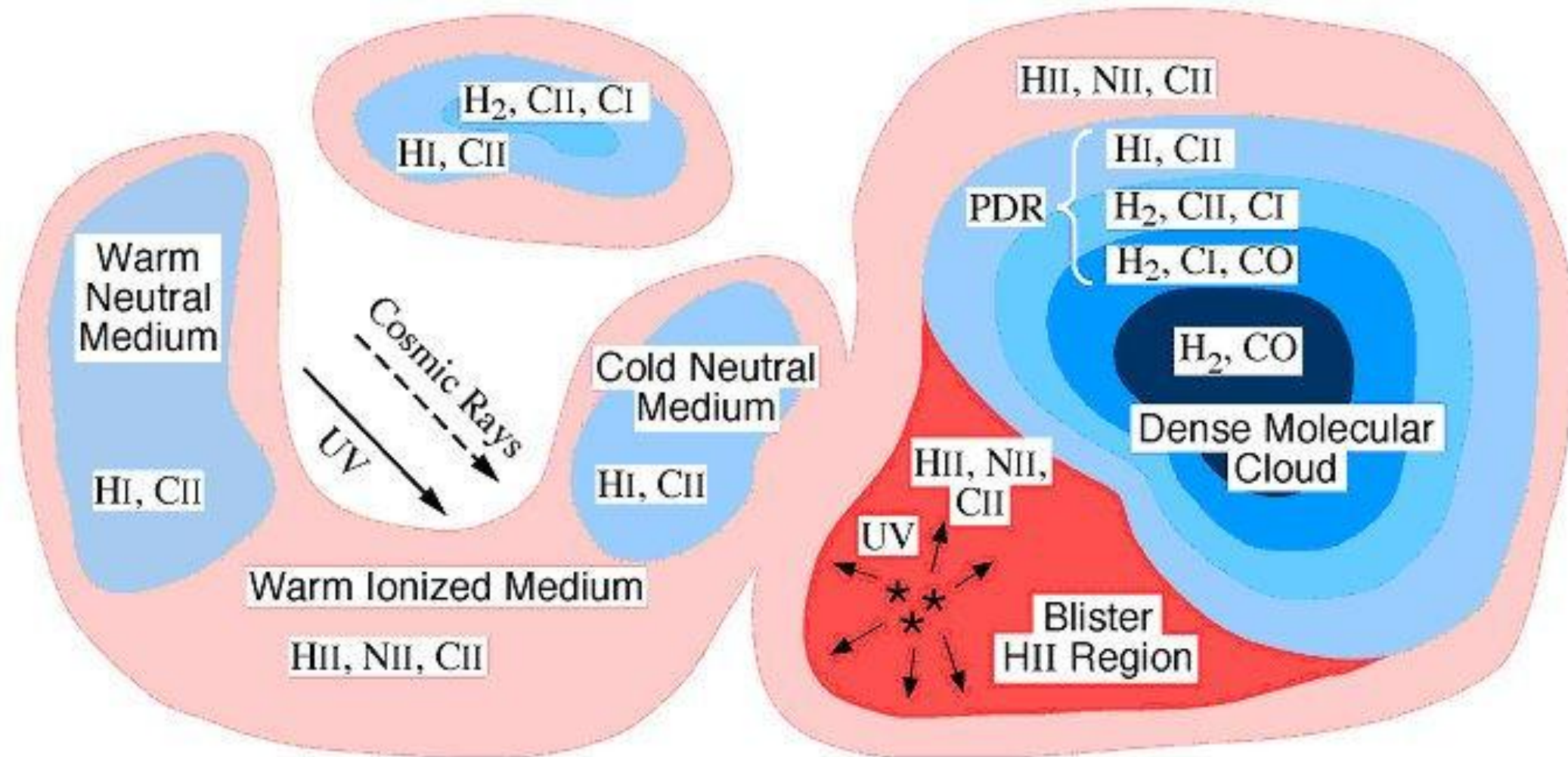
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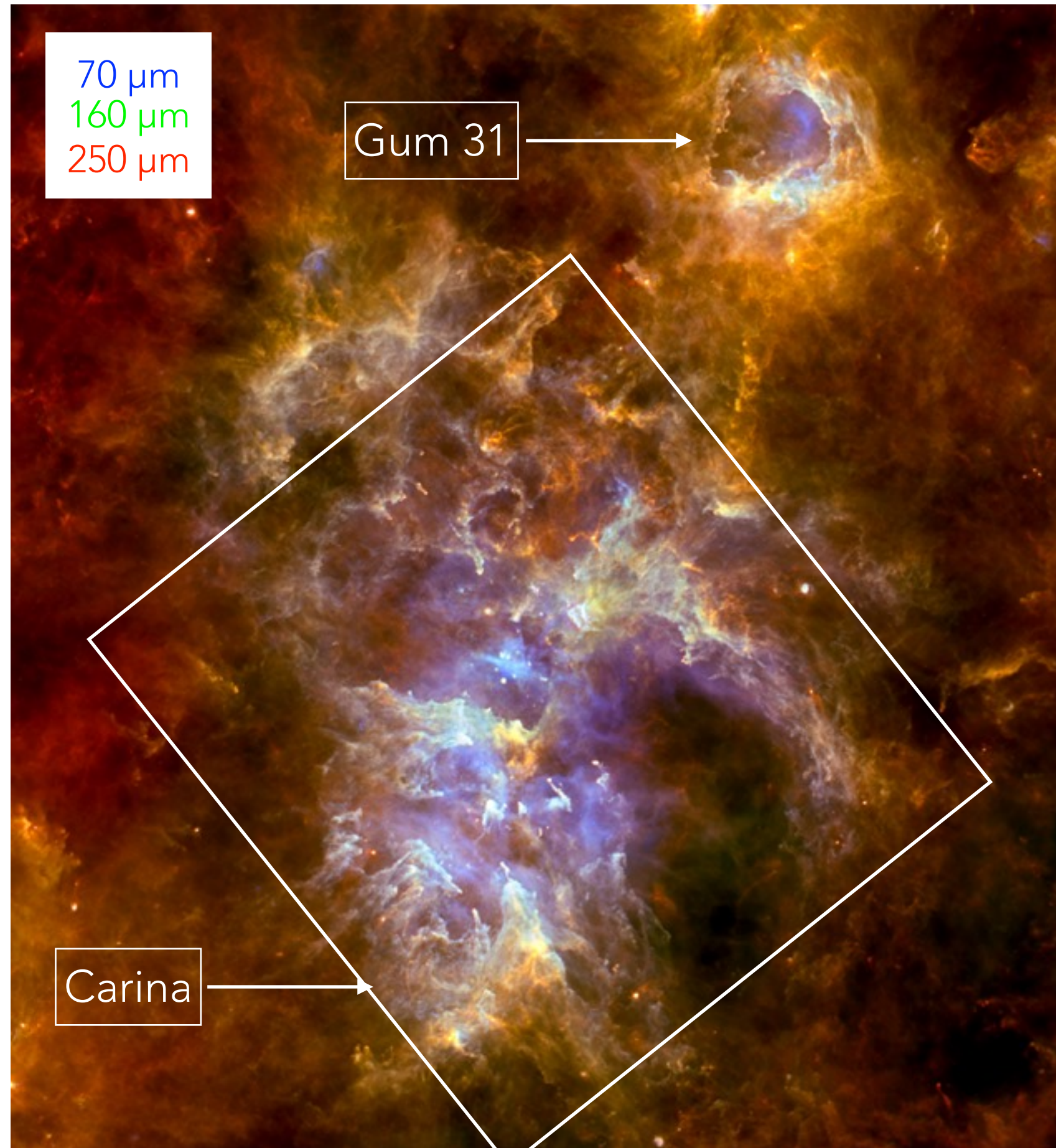
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Schematics of the multi-phase ISM and its diagnostic tracers



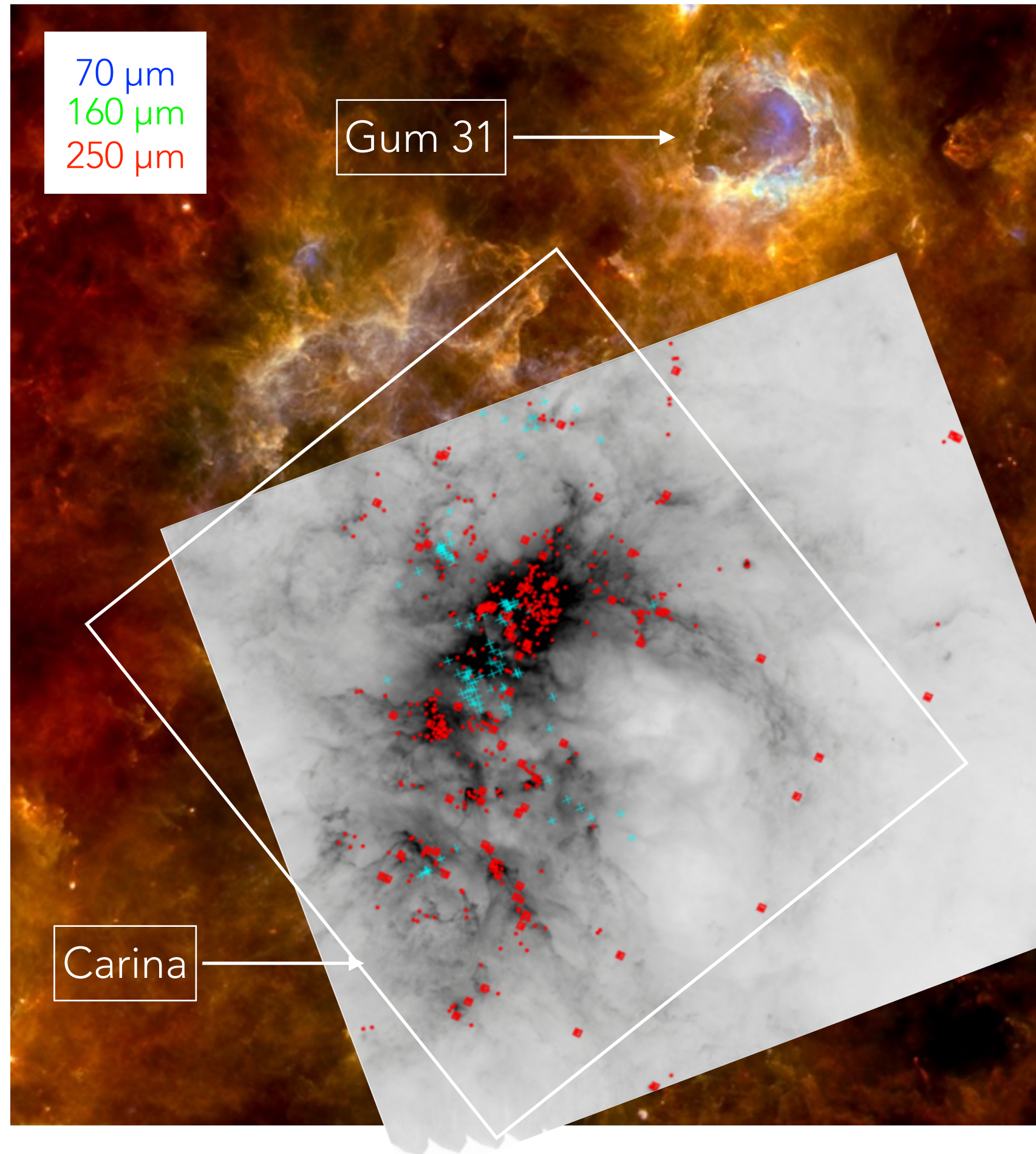
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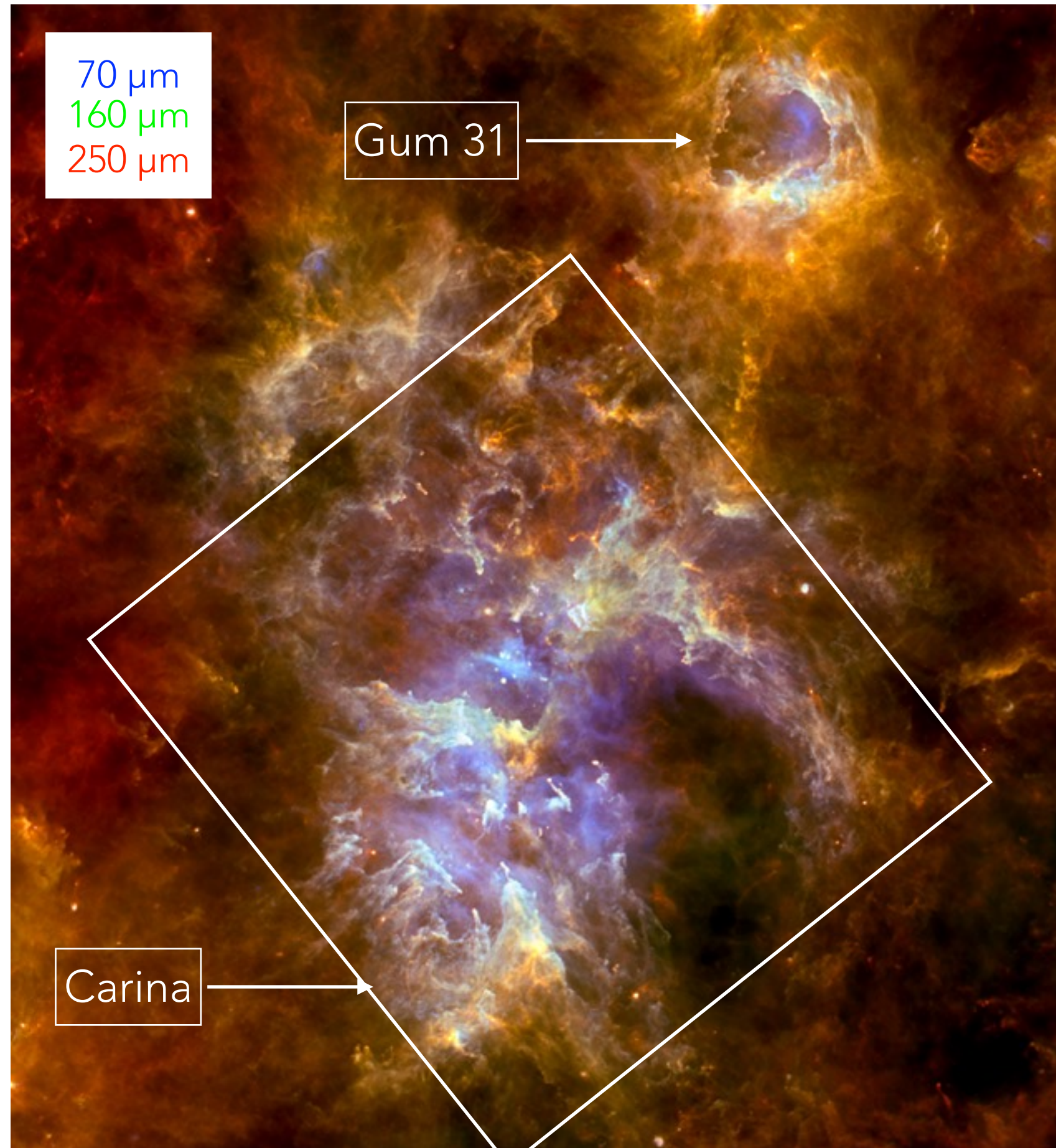
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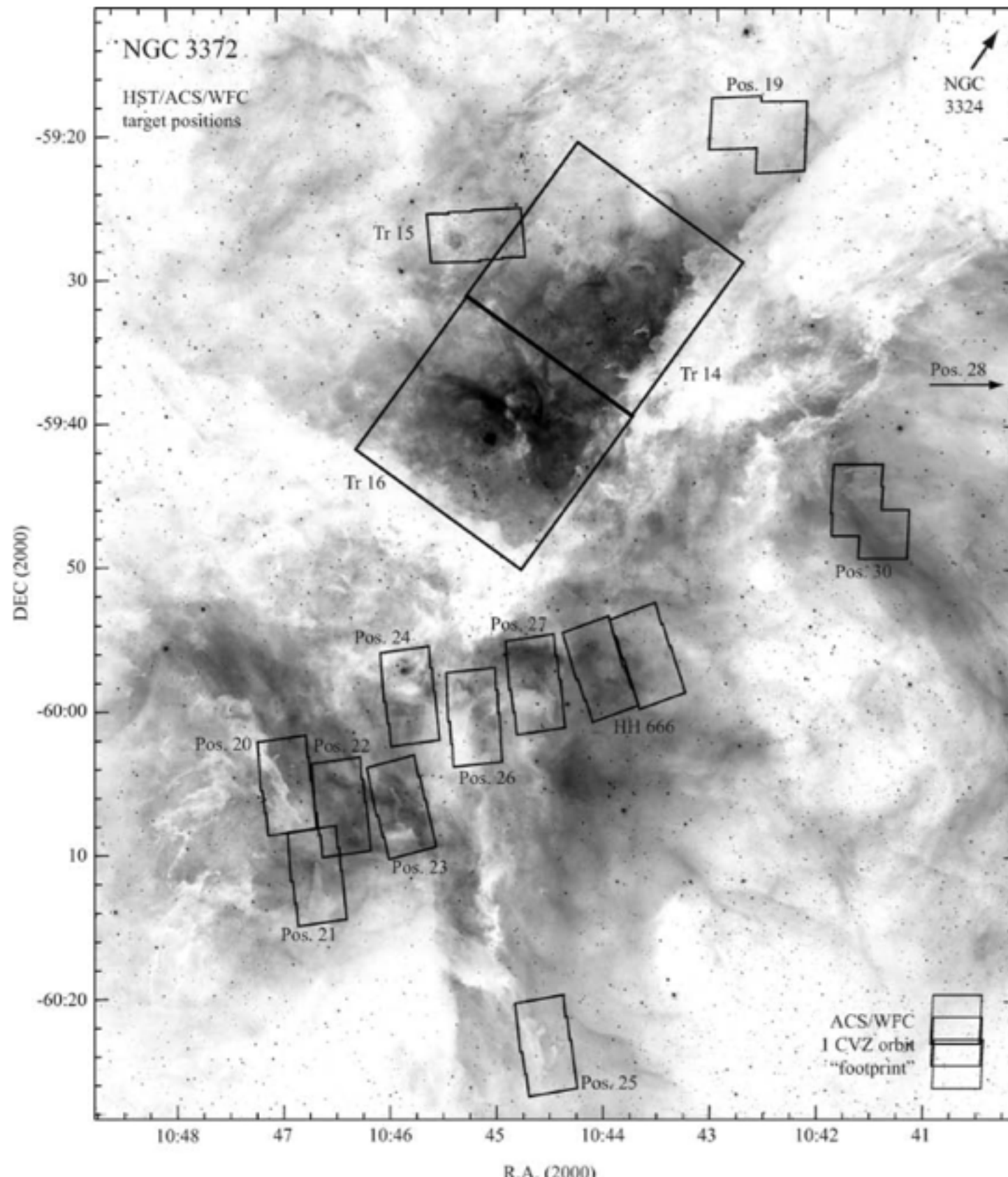


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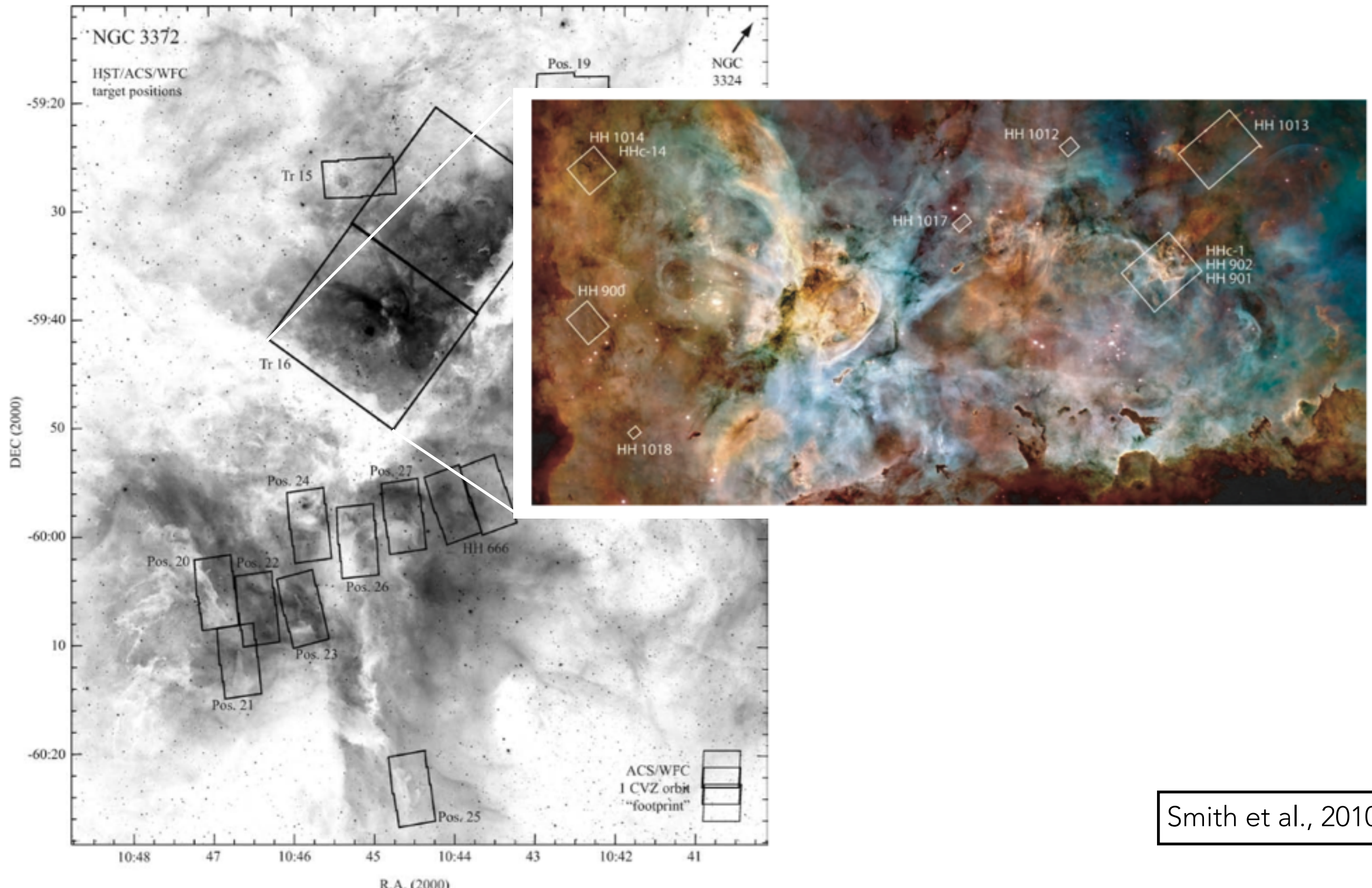
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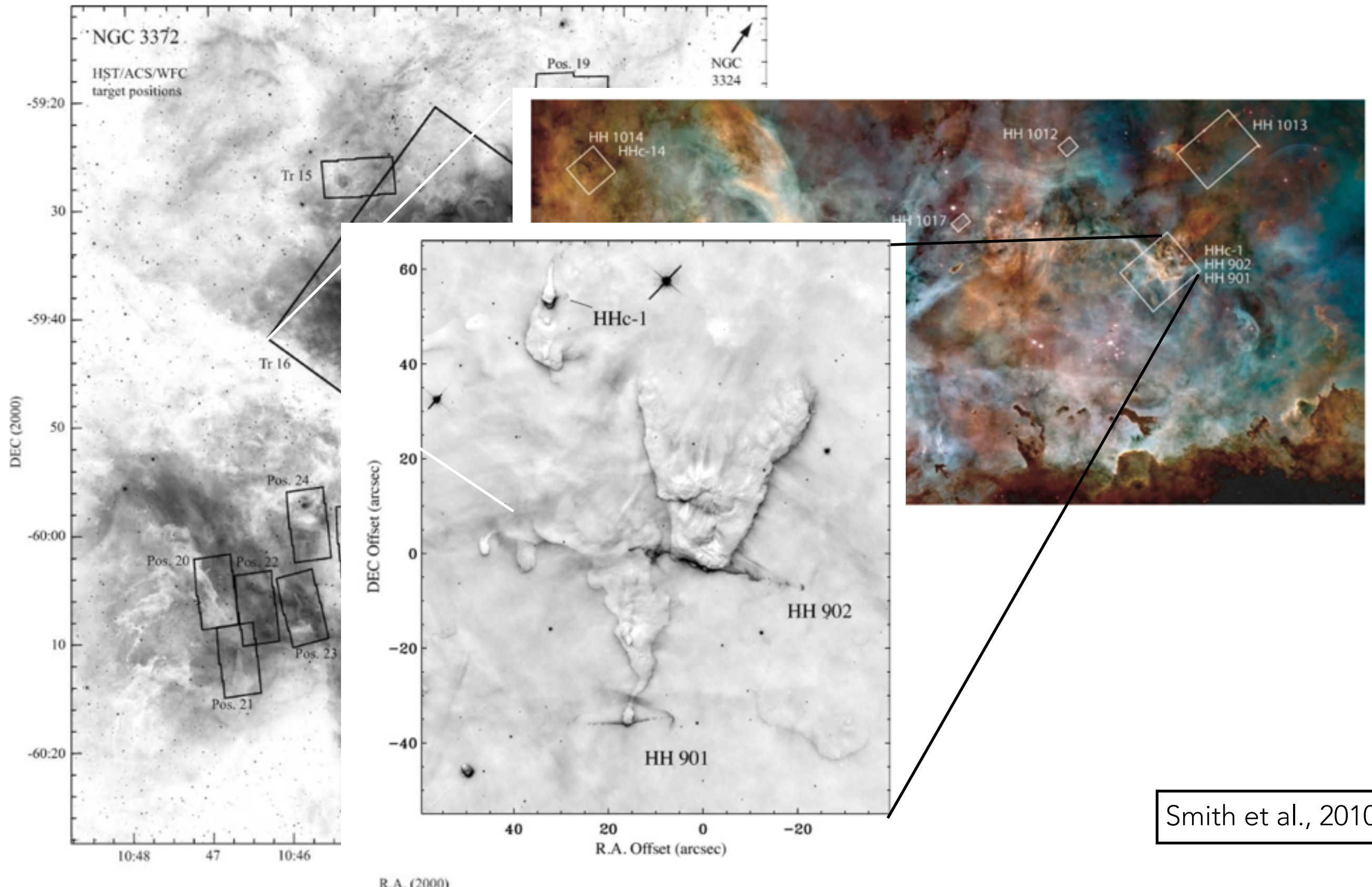


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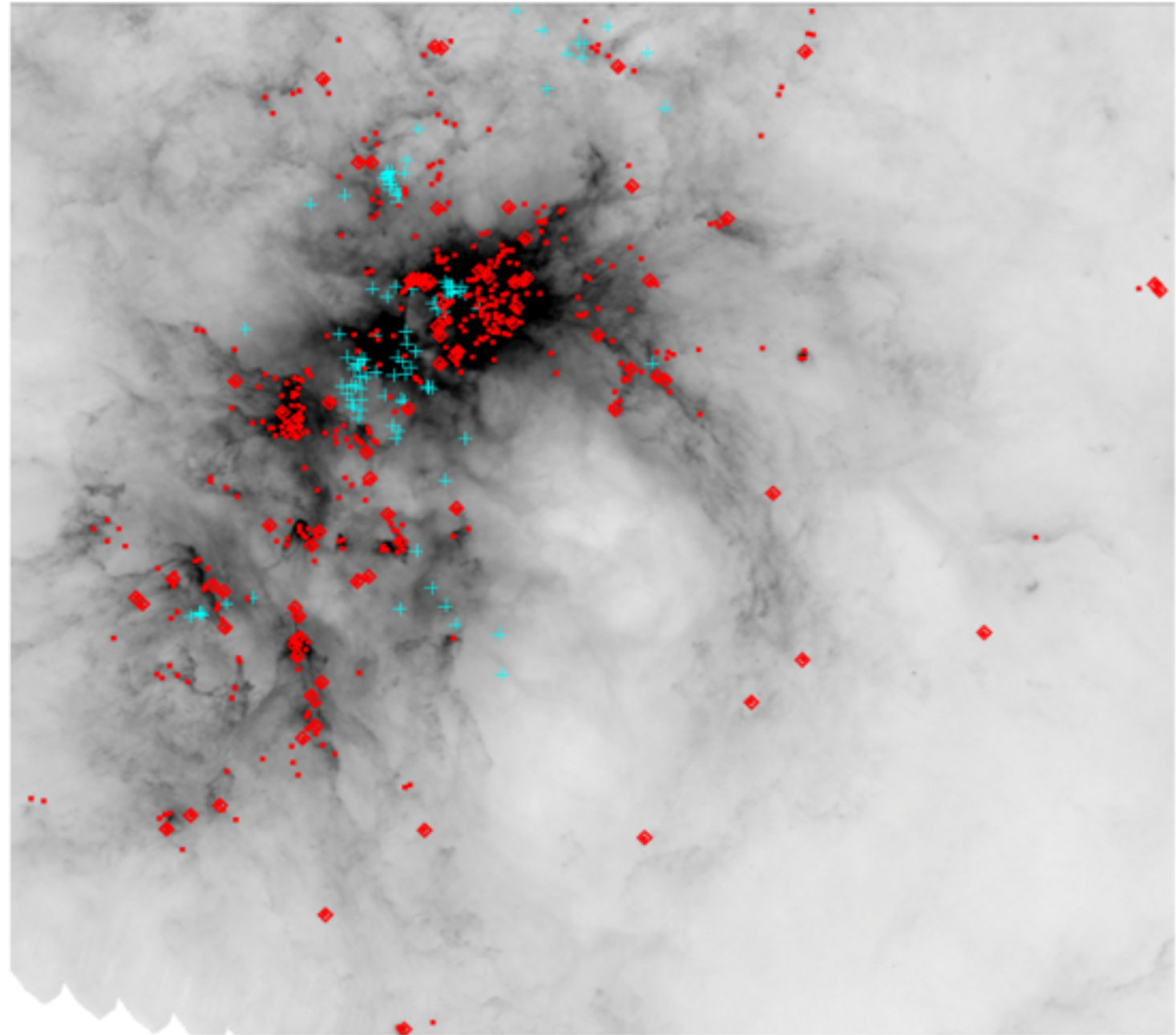
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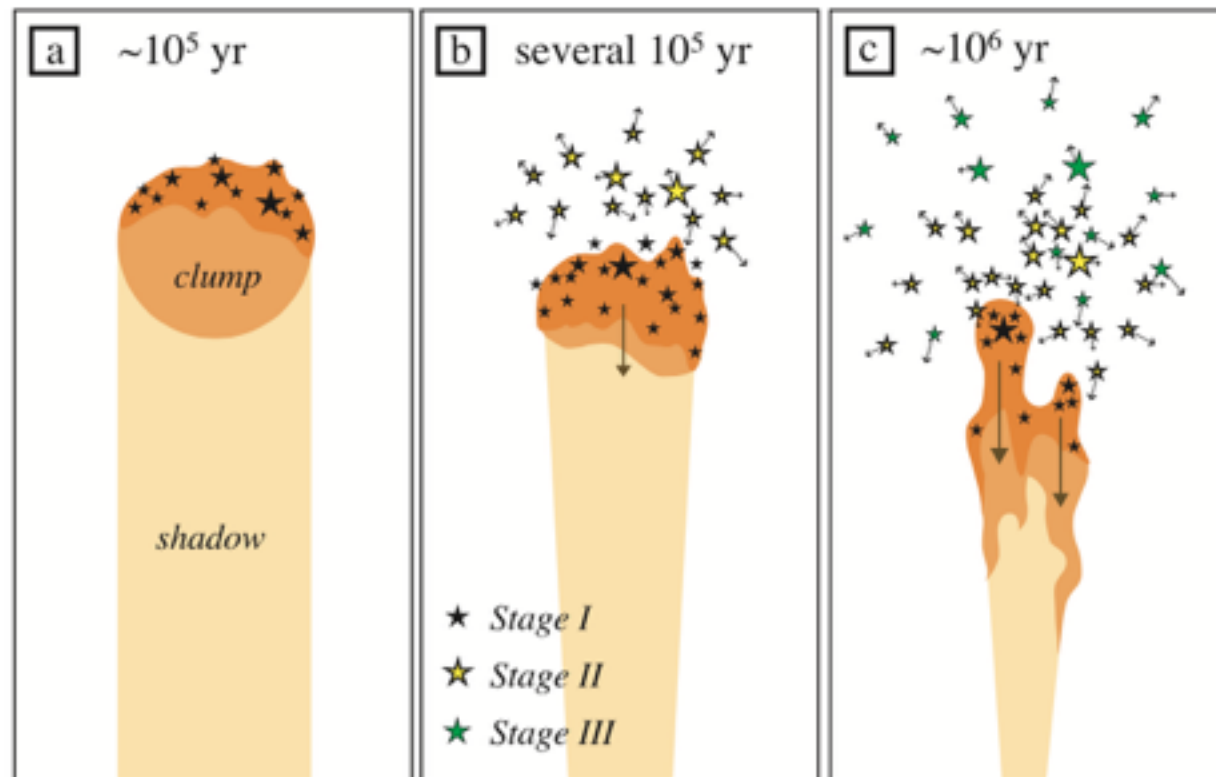


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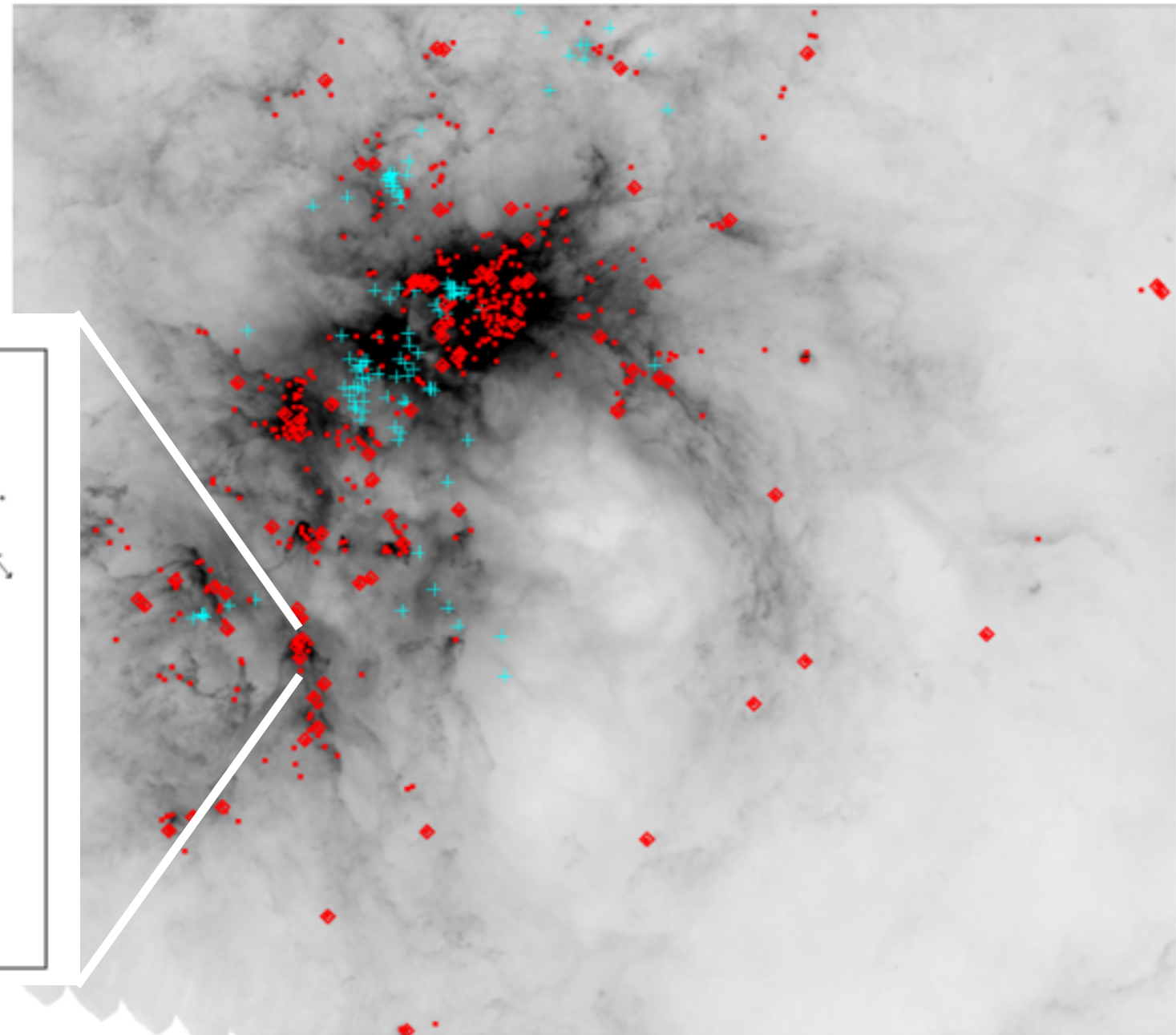
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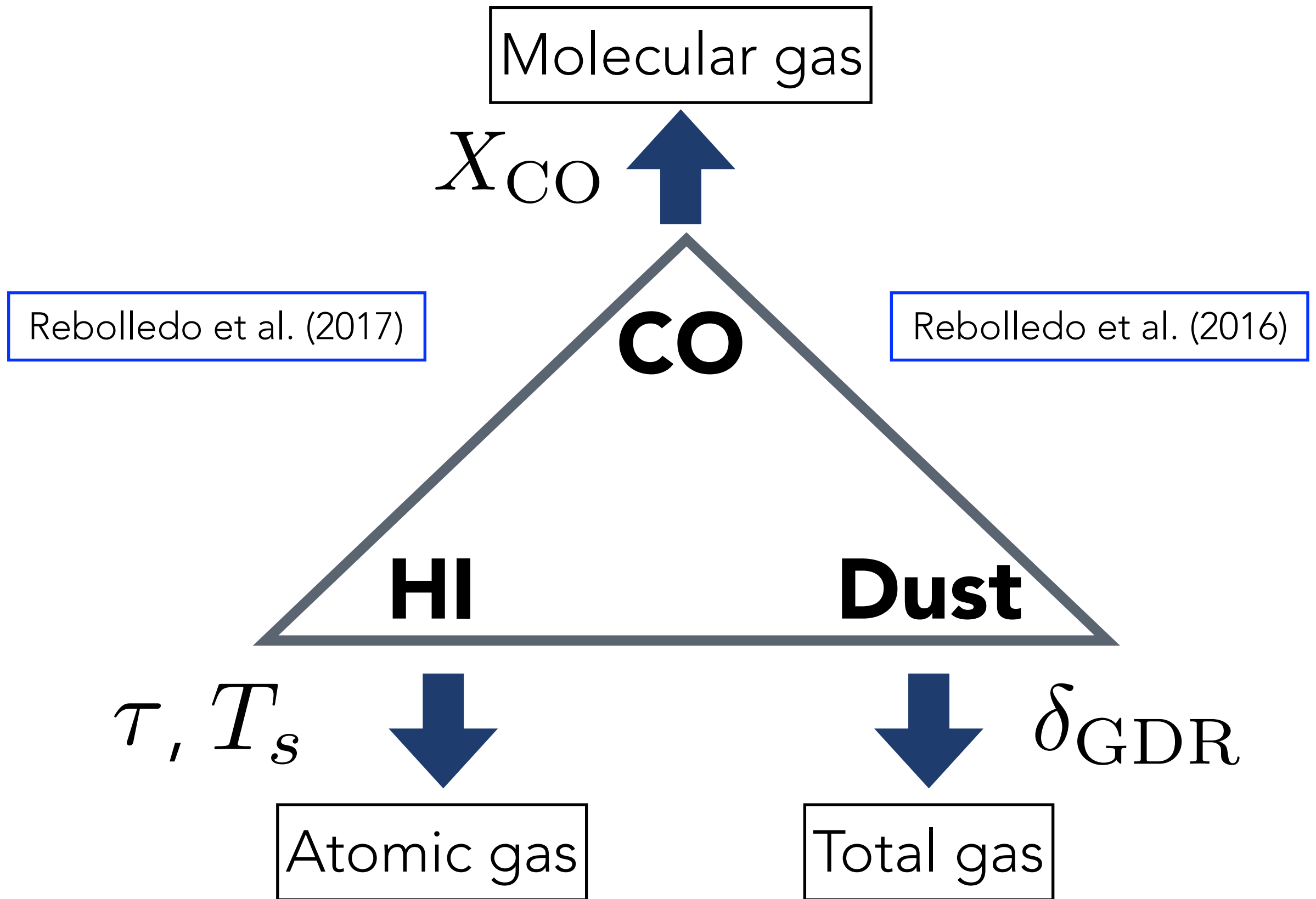


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Still other open questions...

- **The total infrared luminosity detected from the region (re-radiated from ultraviolet heated dust) is only about half the energy input from the known stars.**
- **The measured free–free radio continuum emission only accounts for about three-quarters of the ionizing flux from these same stars.**



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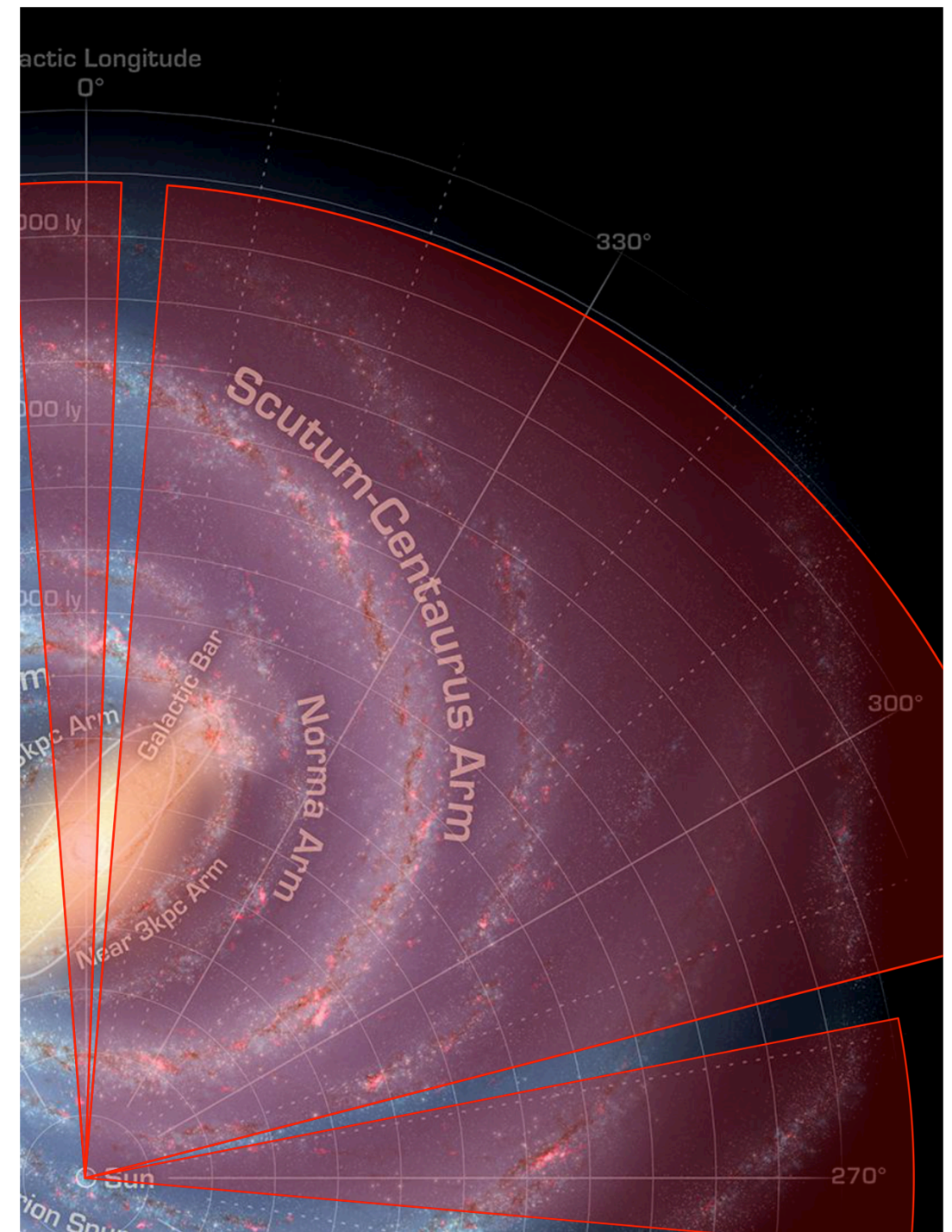
THE MOPRA SOUTHERN GALACTIC PLANE CO SURVEY

- Mopra telescope is a 22-m single dish telescope
- Warrumbungle Mountains, about 450 km north-west of Sydney.
- Elevation of 866 m
- Primarily for 3-mm spectroscopy



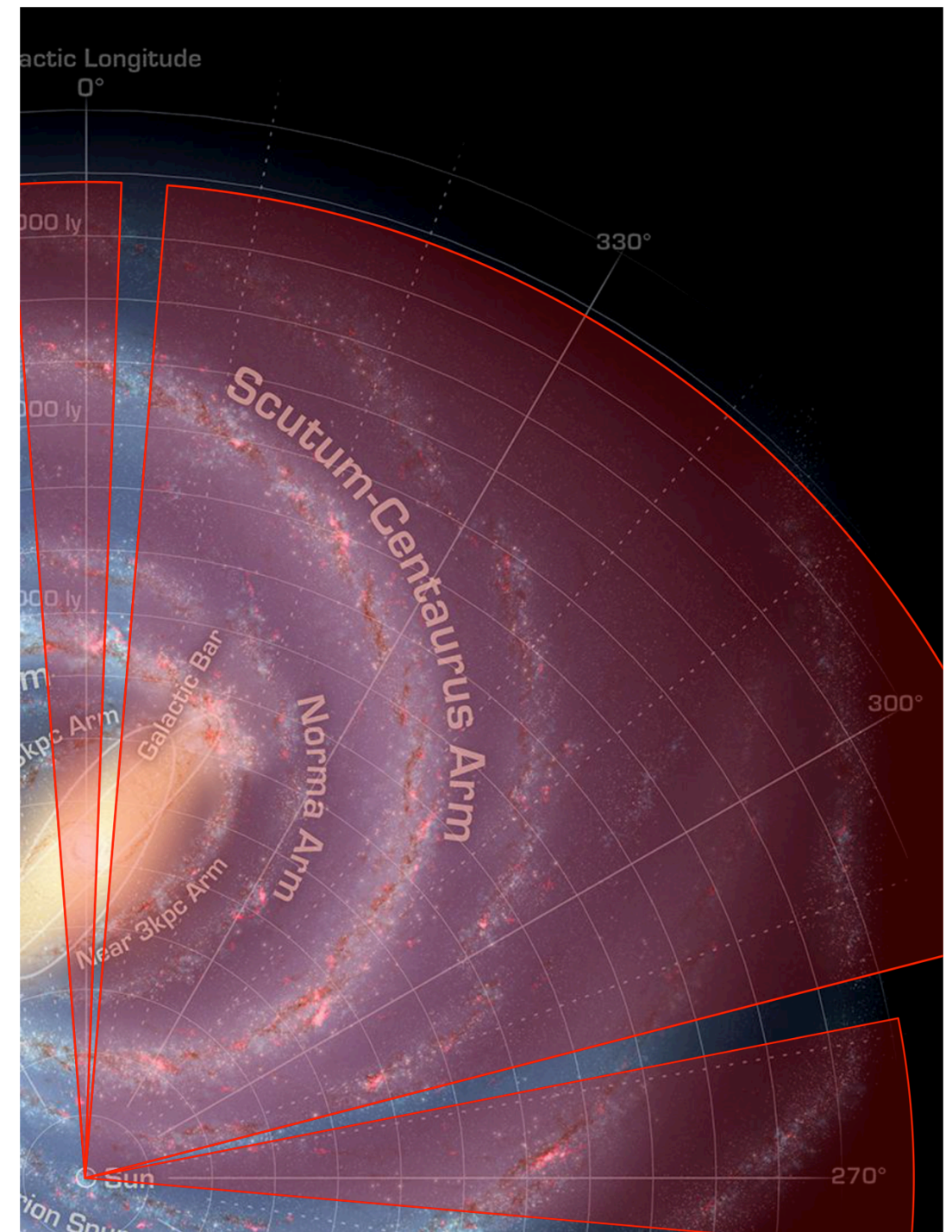
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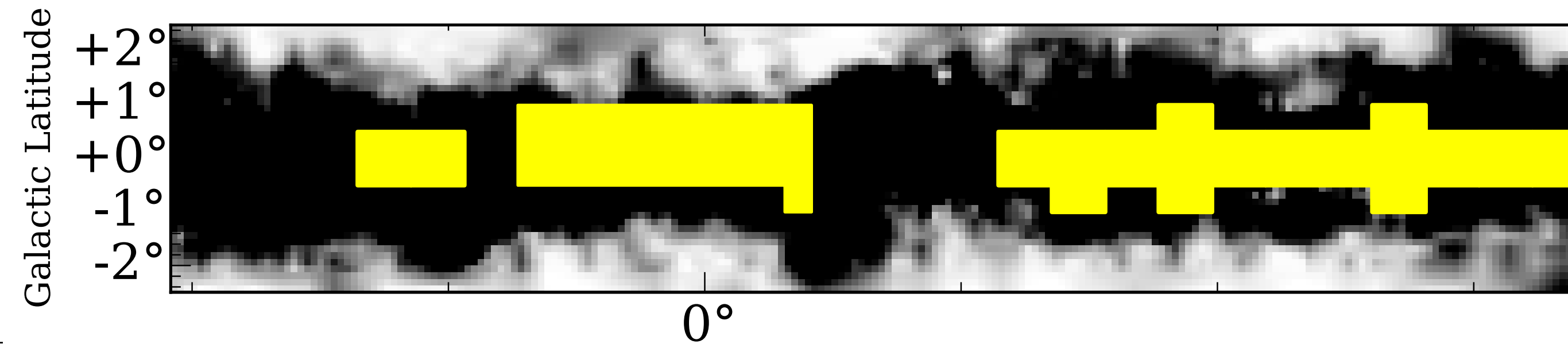
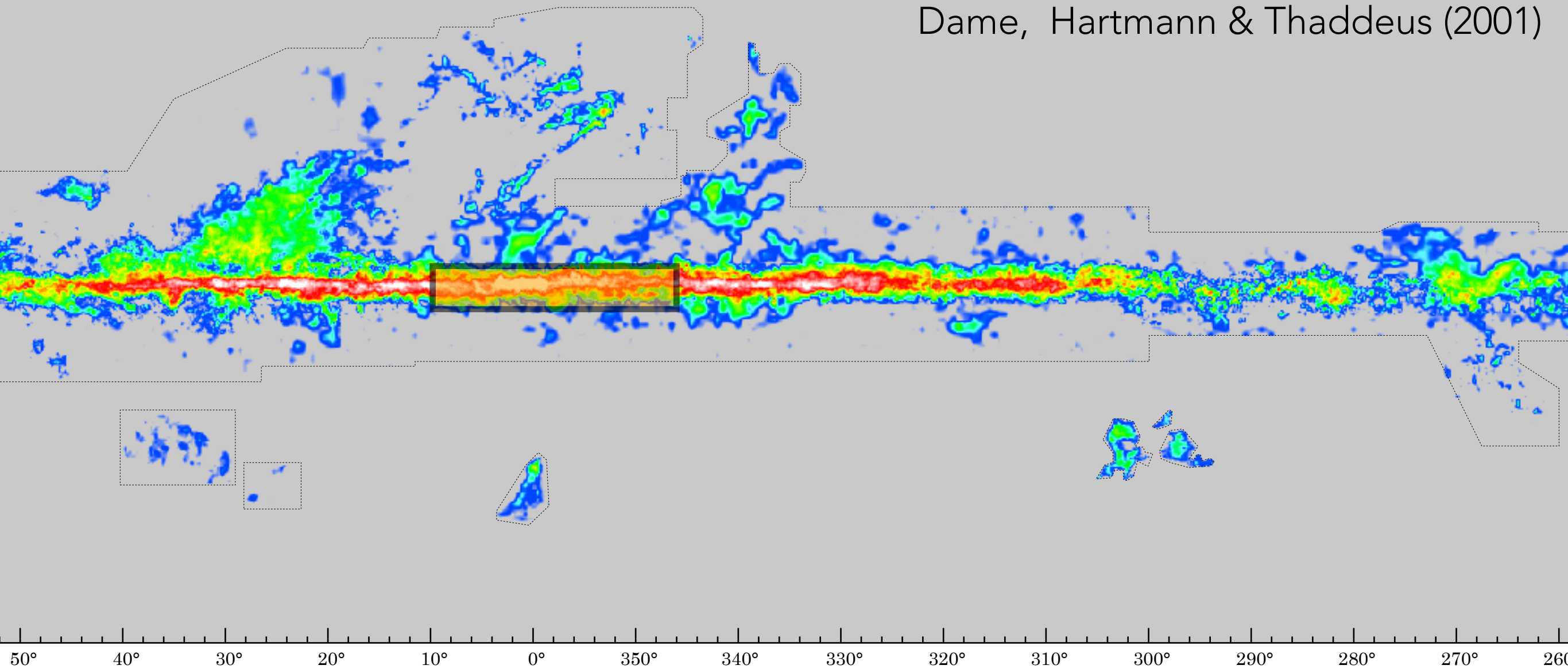


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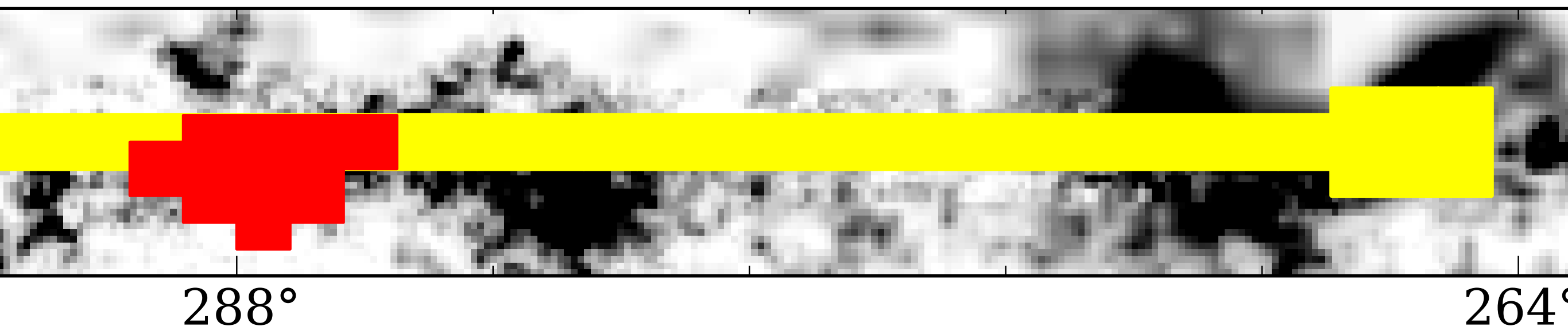
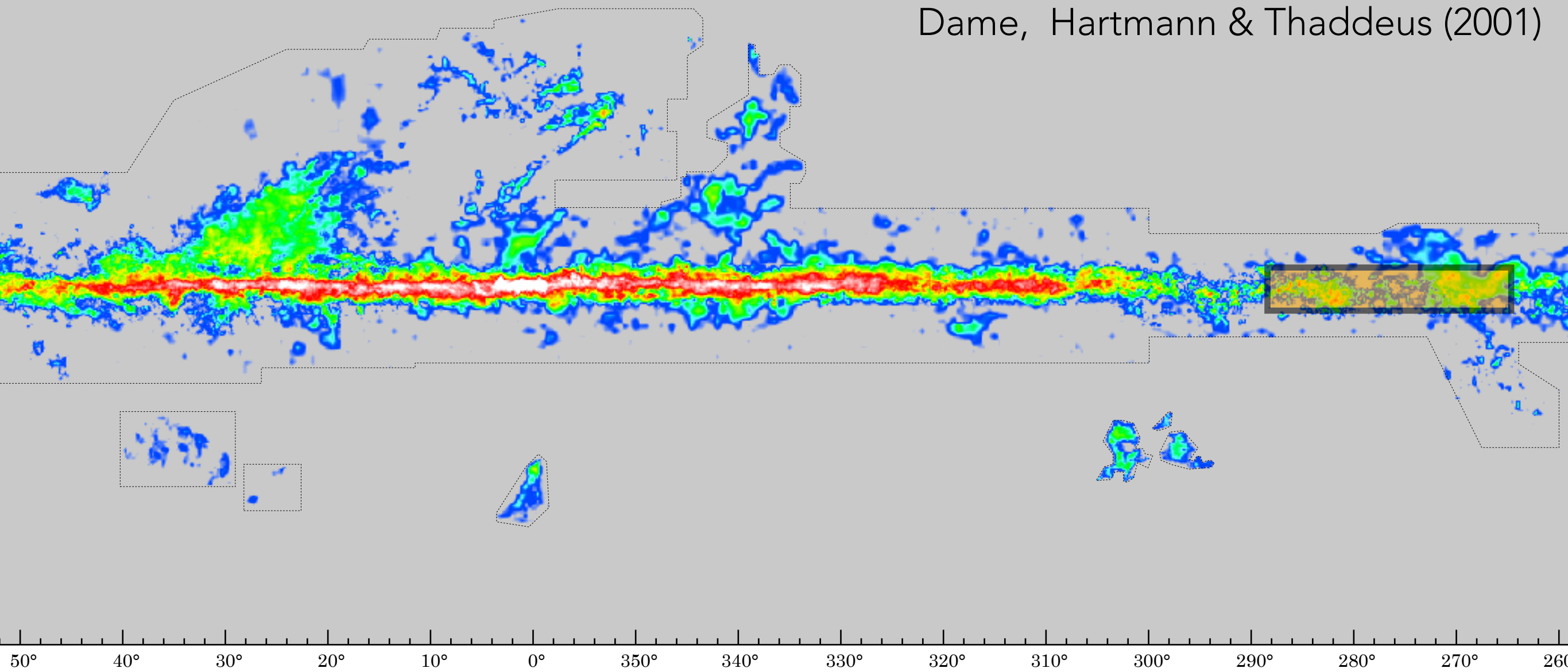
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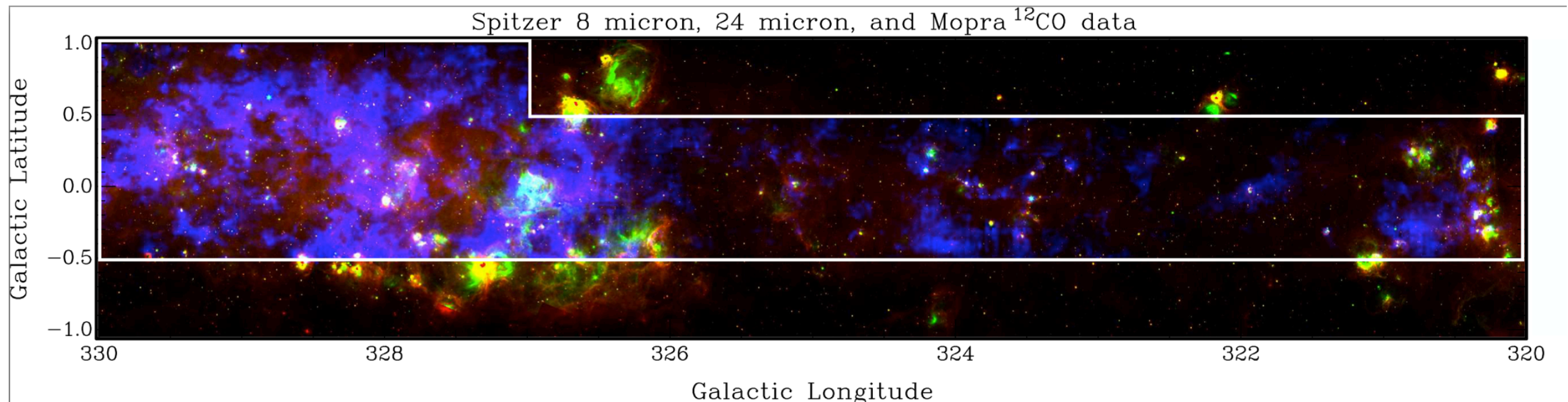


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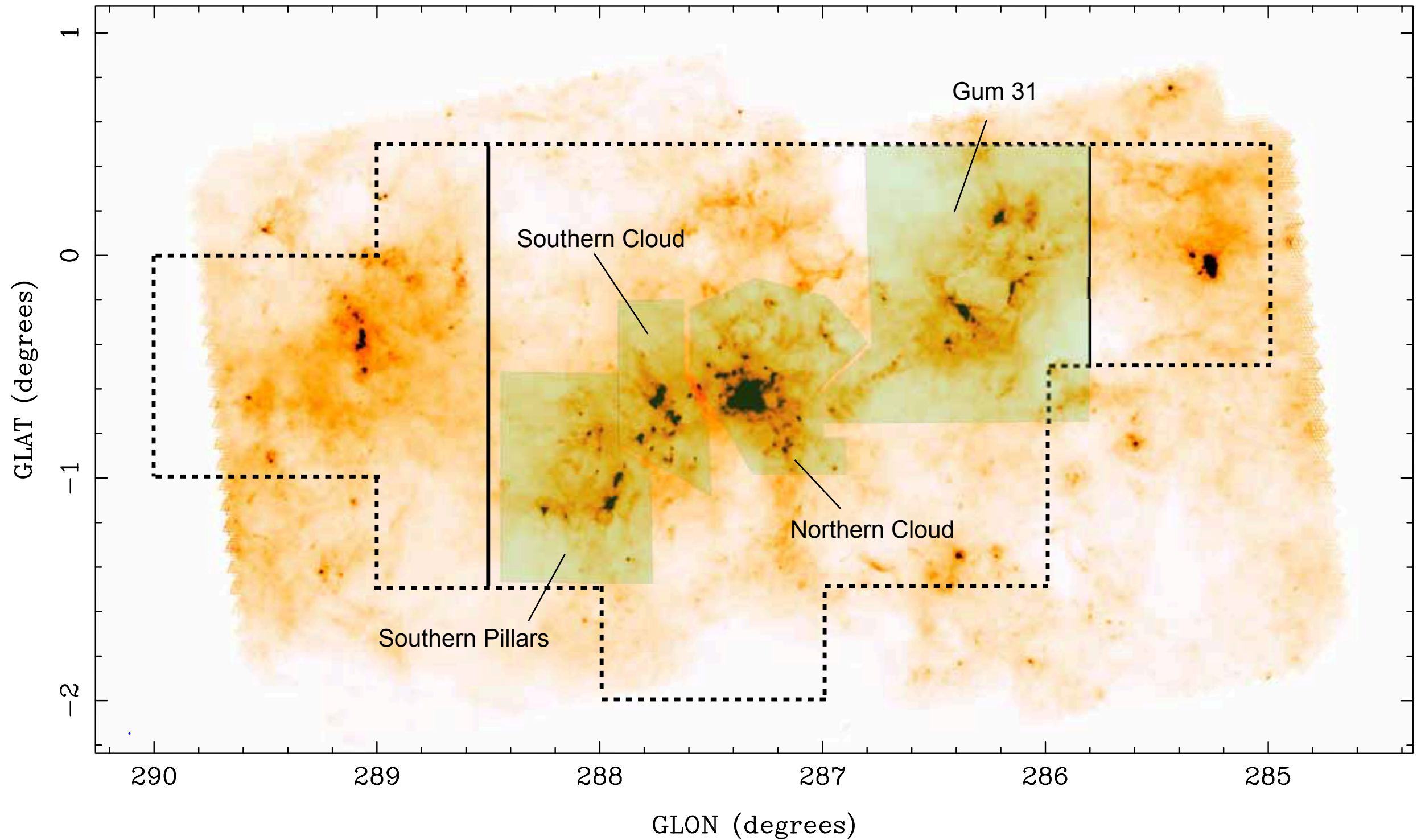
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- $l = 320\text{-}330^\circ$, $|b| < 0.5^\circ$; $l = 327\text{-}330^\circ$, $0.5^\circ < b < 1.0^\circ$
- Clouds found with velocities $-130 < v < +40$ km/s
- Total mass in 10 square degrees $\sim 4 \times 10^7 M_{\text{sun}}$
- Paper: Braiding et al. 2015, PASA, 32, e20

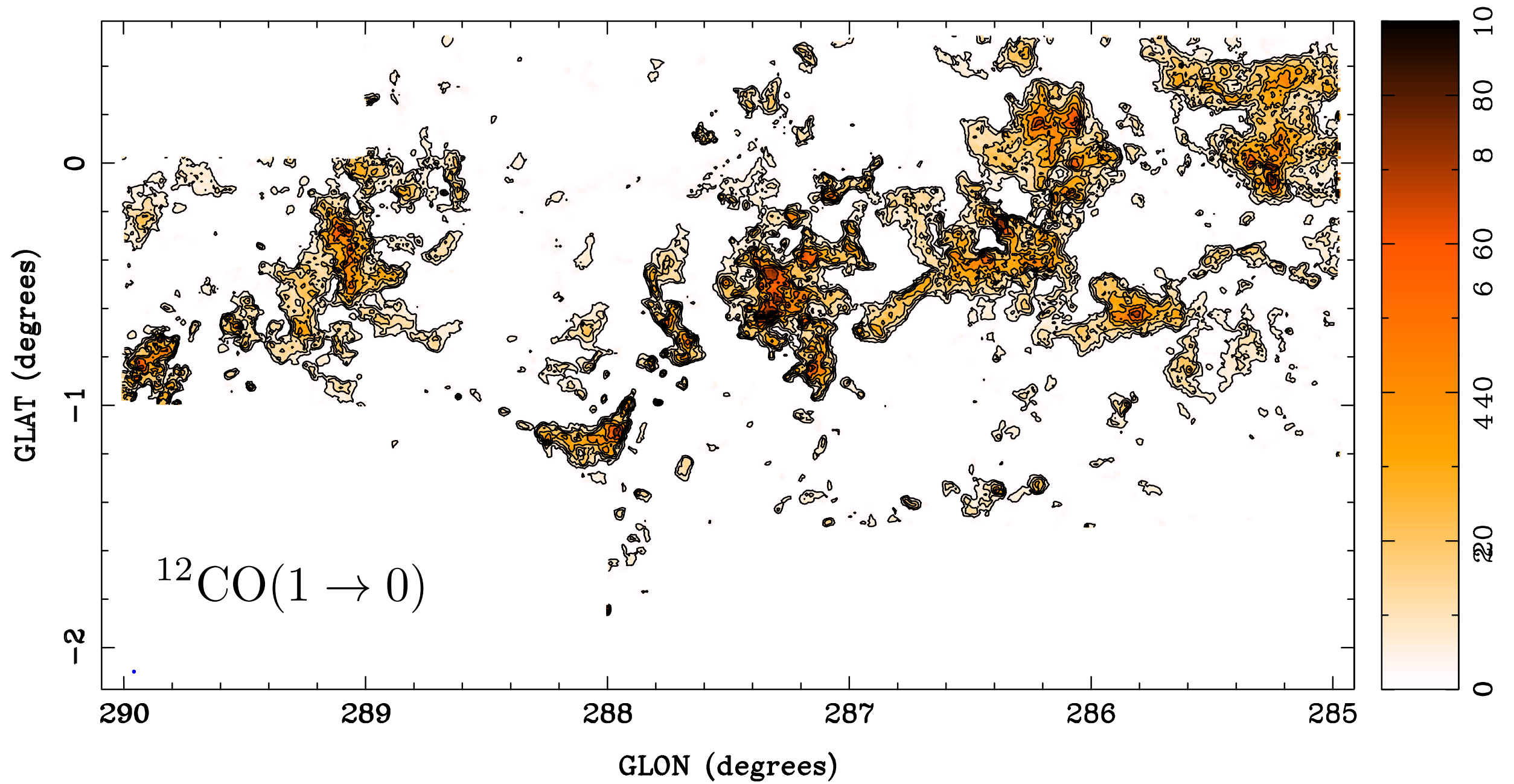


Data Release 2! (Carina)

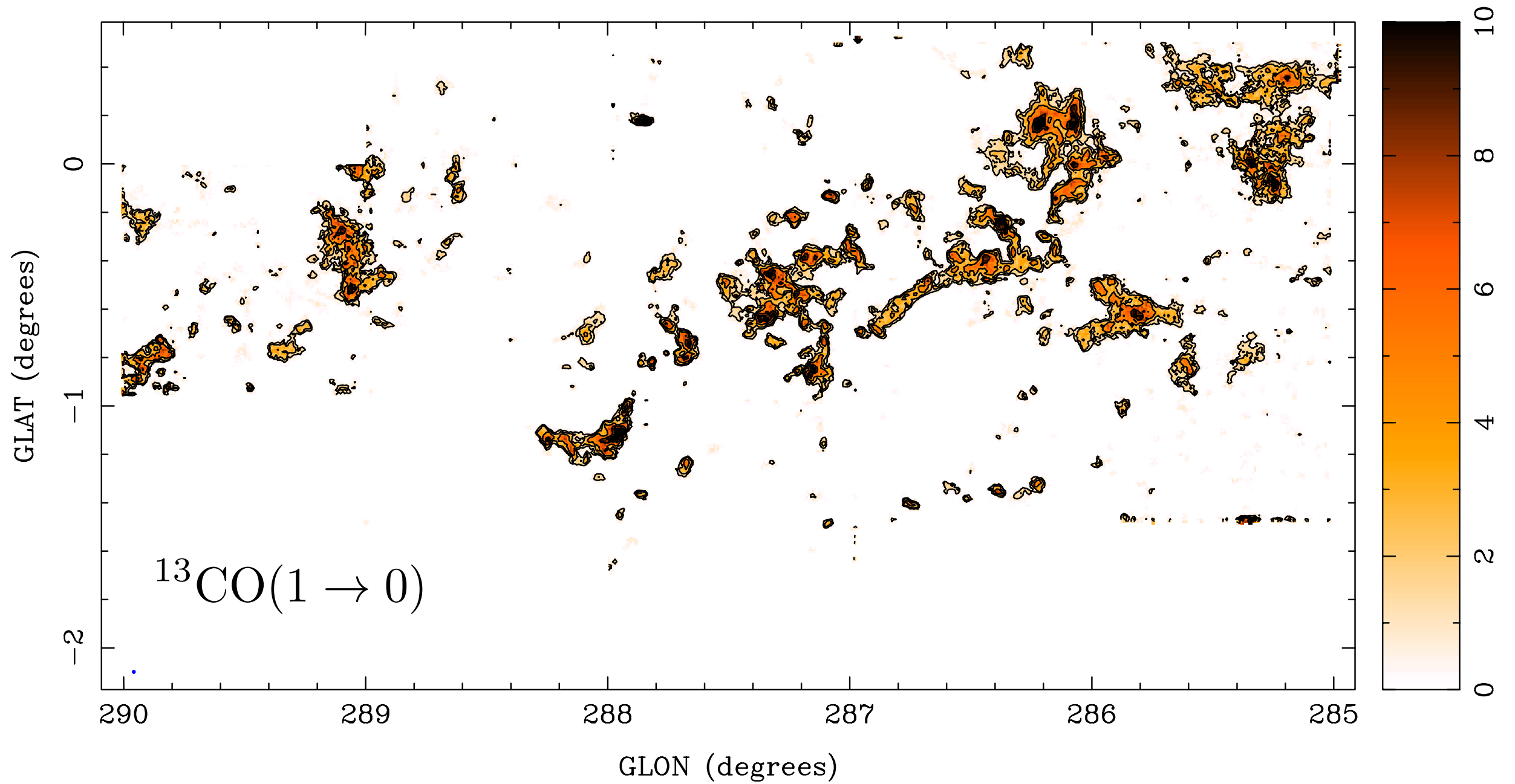
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Coverage $\sim 9.5 \text{ deg}^2$



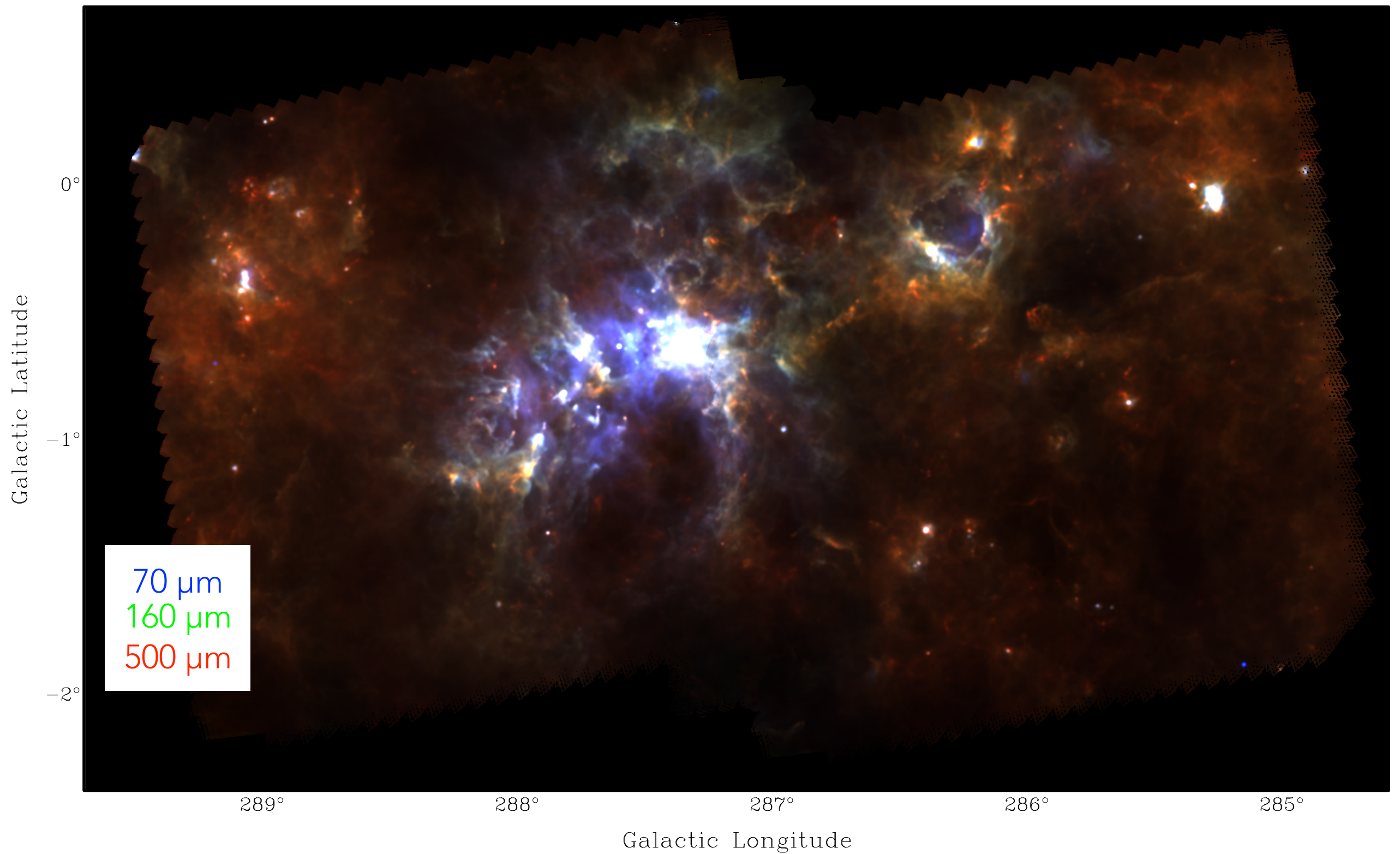
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Dust

Herschel Infrared data

HiGal Survey, Molinari et al. (2010)



SED FITTING TO INFRARED DATA

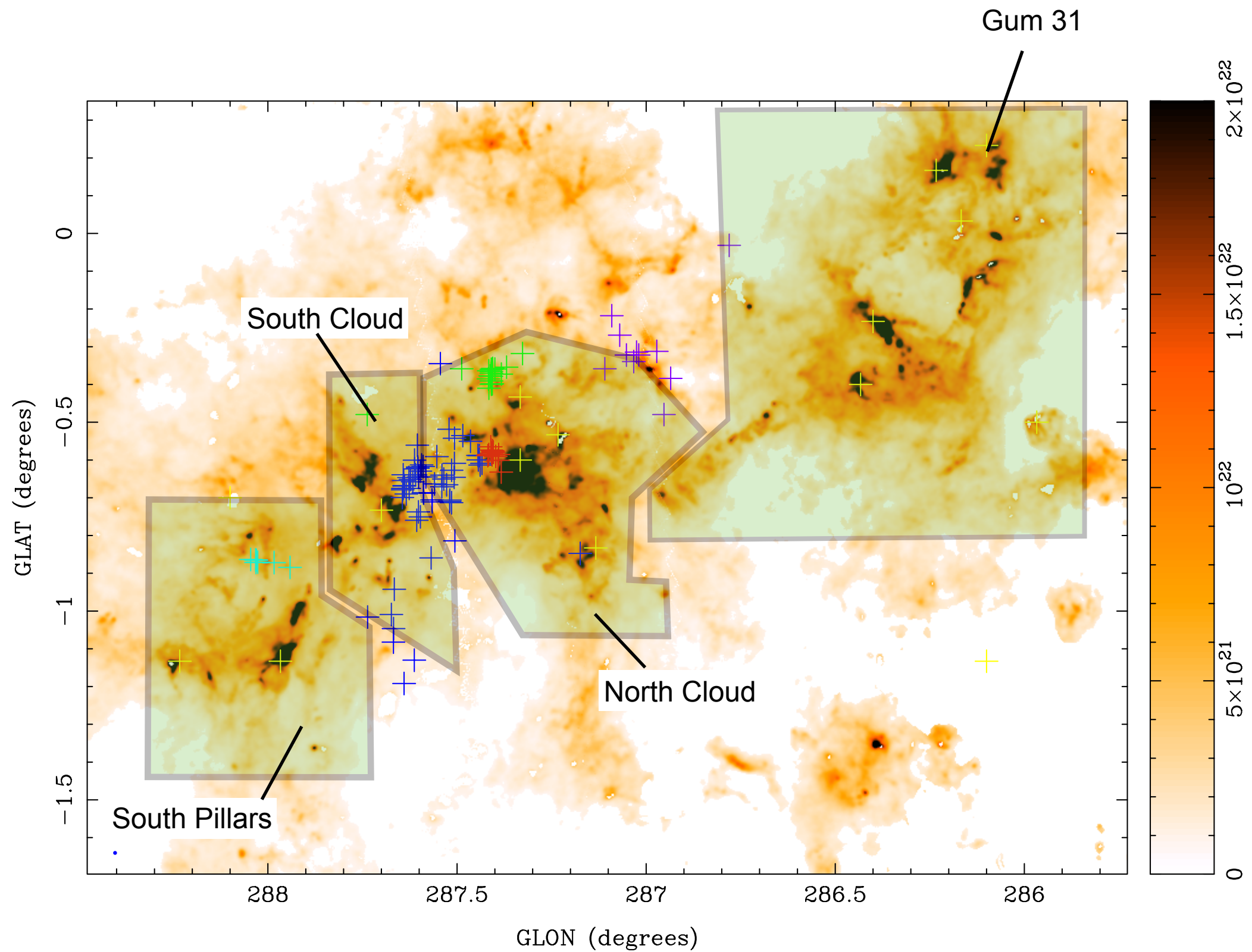
$$F_\nu = \Omega B_\nu(T_{\text{dust}}) \kappa_0 \left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_0} \right)^\beta n_{\text{dust}} \quad N_{\text{H}} = 2 \frac{n_{\text{dust}}}{\mu_{\text{H}_2} m_{\text{H}} R_{\text{dg}}}$$

Pixel by Pixel robust non-linear least squares curve fitting

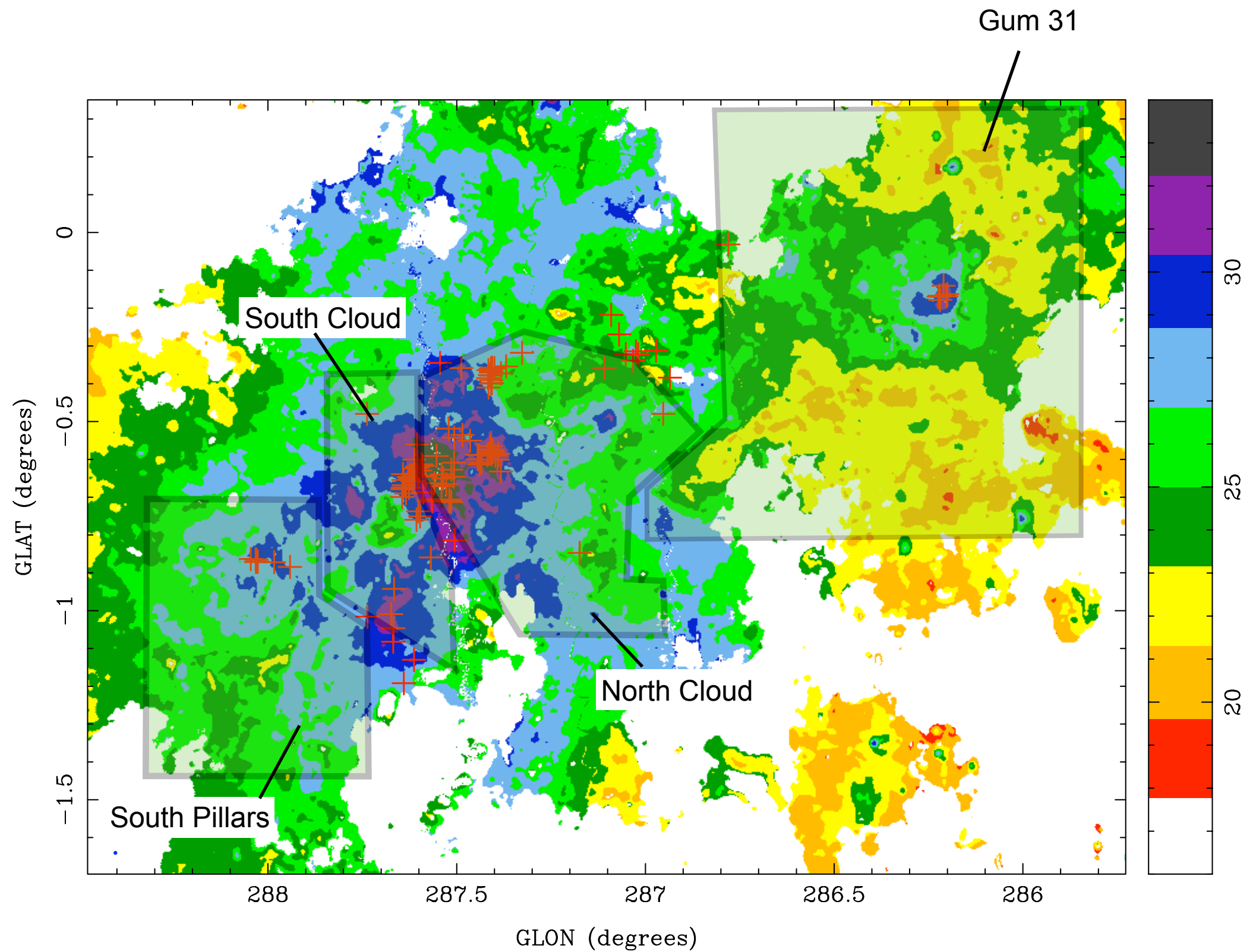
→ T_{cold} Cold dust temperature

→ N_{H} Gas column density

Dust temperature map



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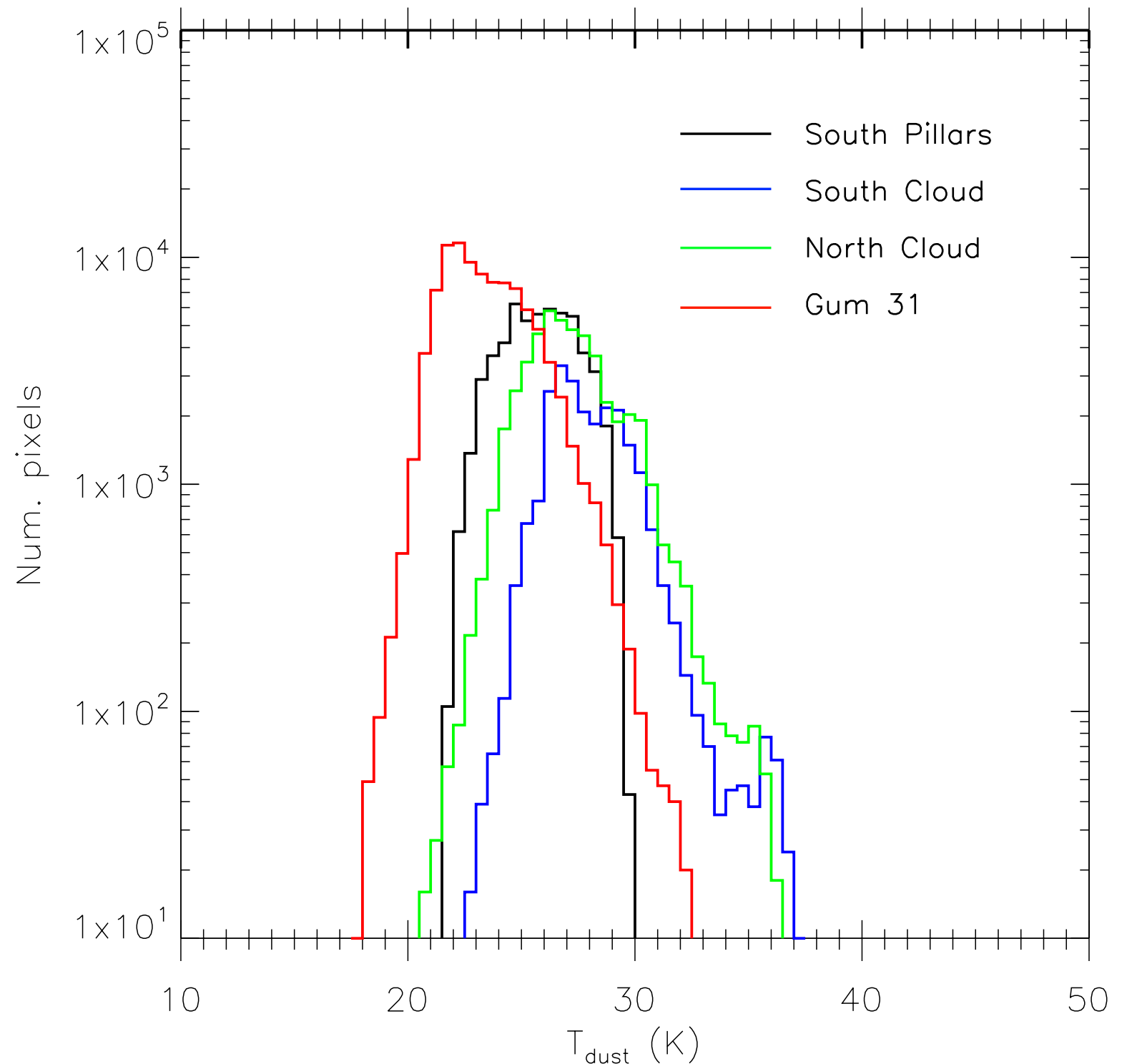


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Southern Cloud and Norther Cloud more affected by massive stars.

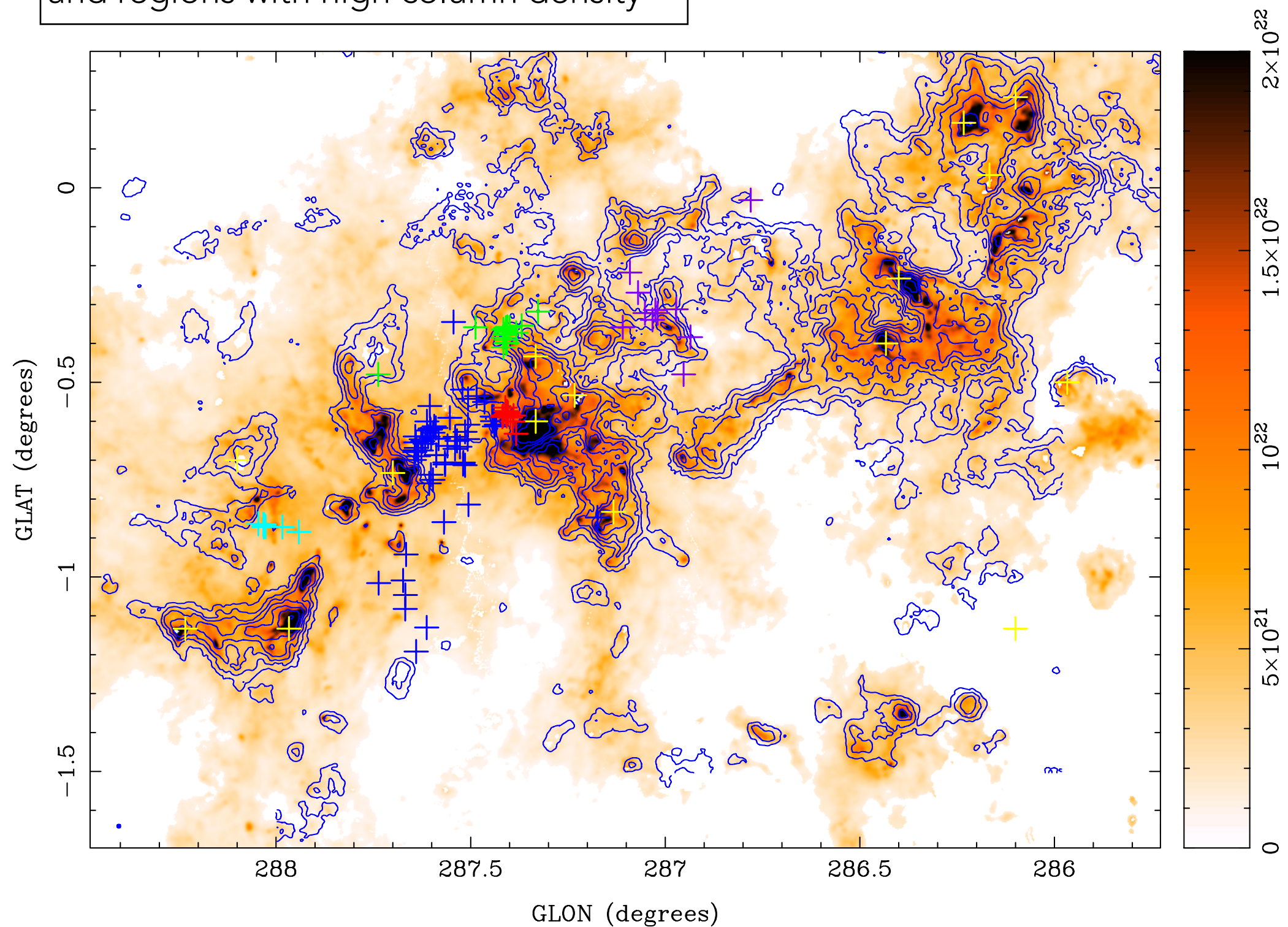
Gum 31 is further way from the centre of the star clusters so the region has cooler gas.

Rebolledo et al. (2016)



Gas column density map

Good spatial correlation between CO
and regions with high column density



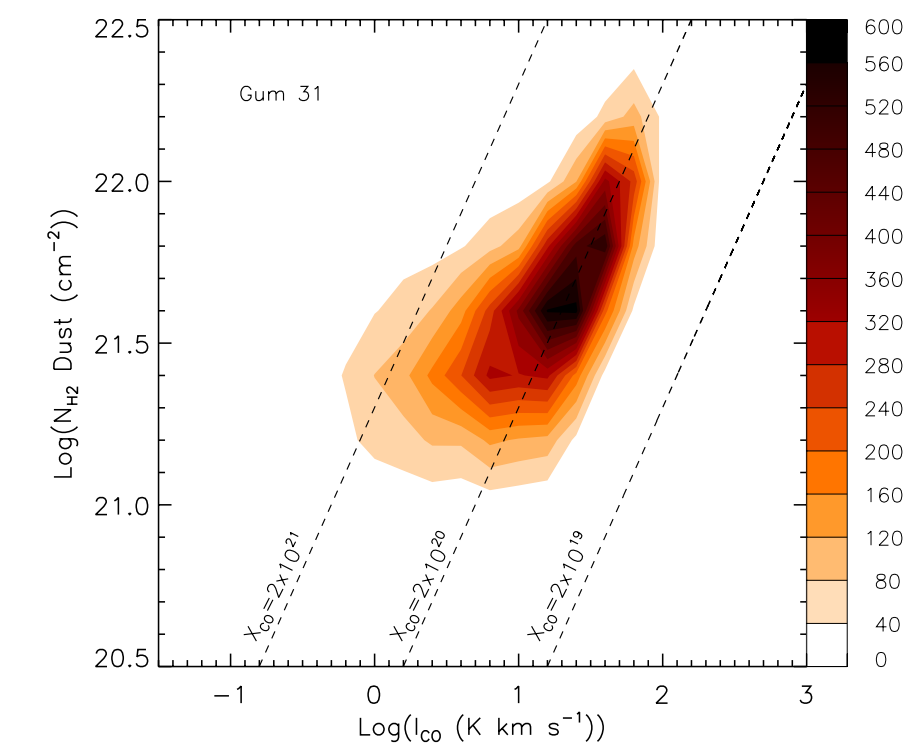
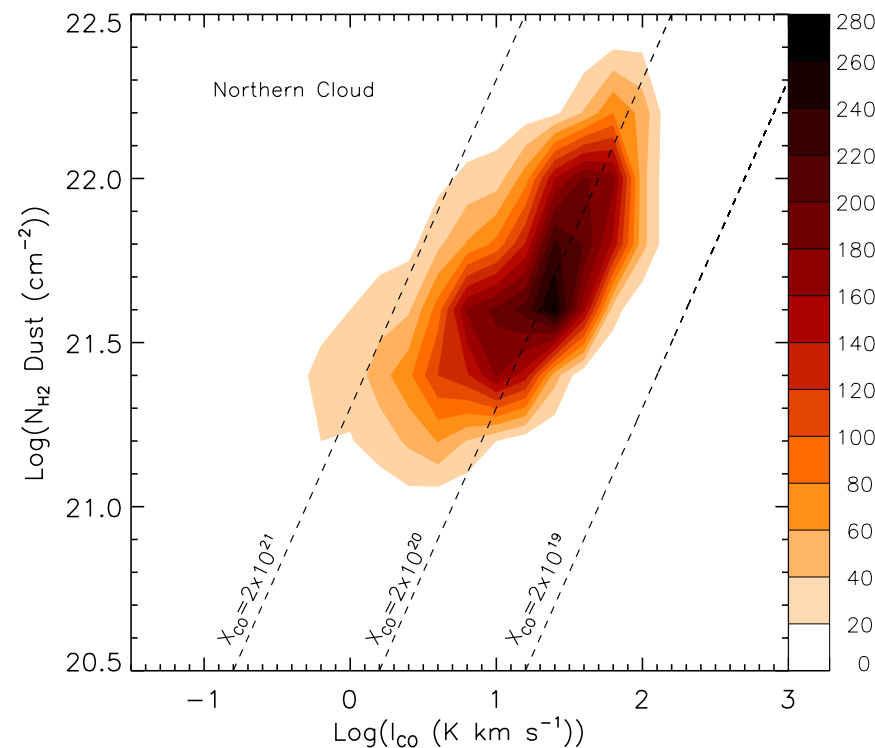
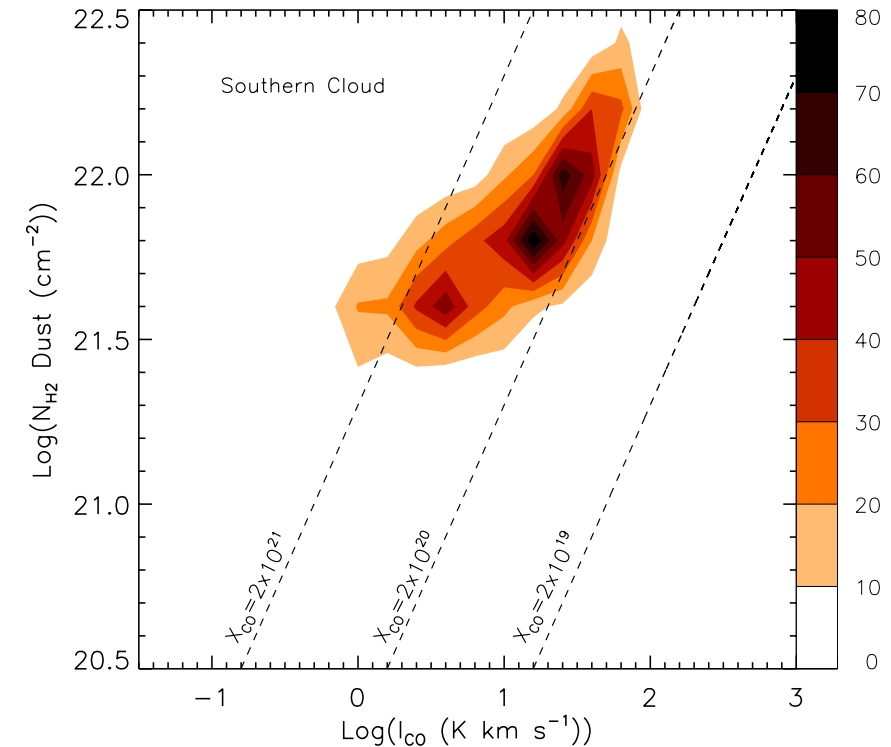
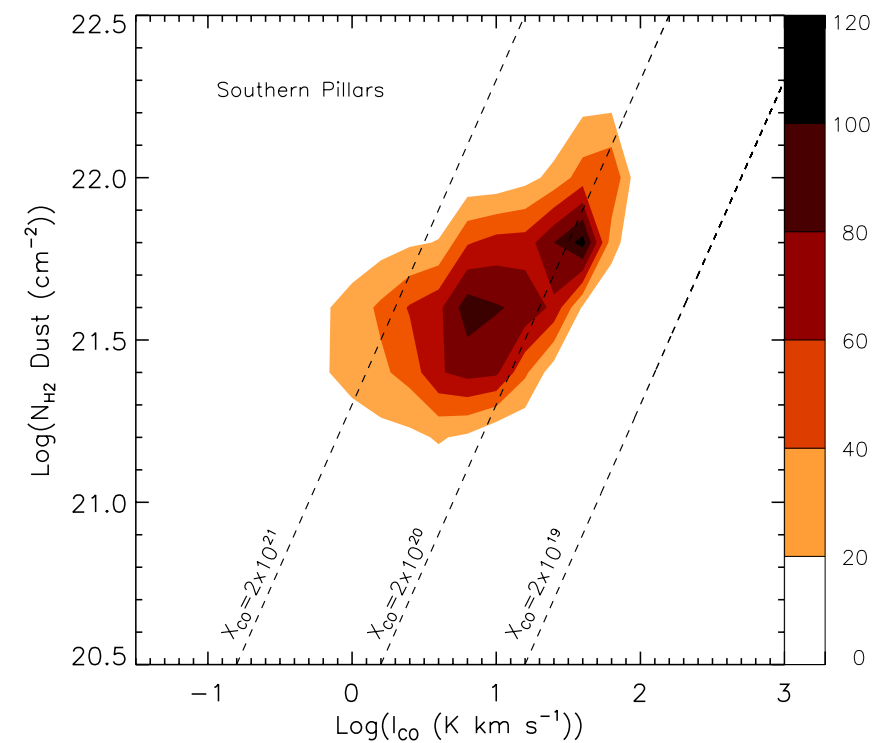
Gas vs ^{12}CO column density

$$X_{\text{CO}} = 2.0 \times 10^{20}$$

Good approximation
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Larger X_{CO} factor for
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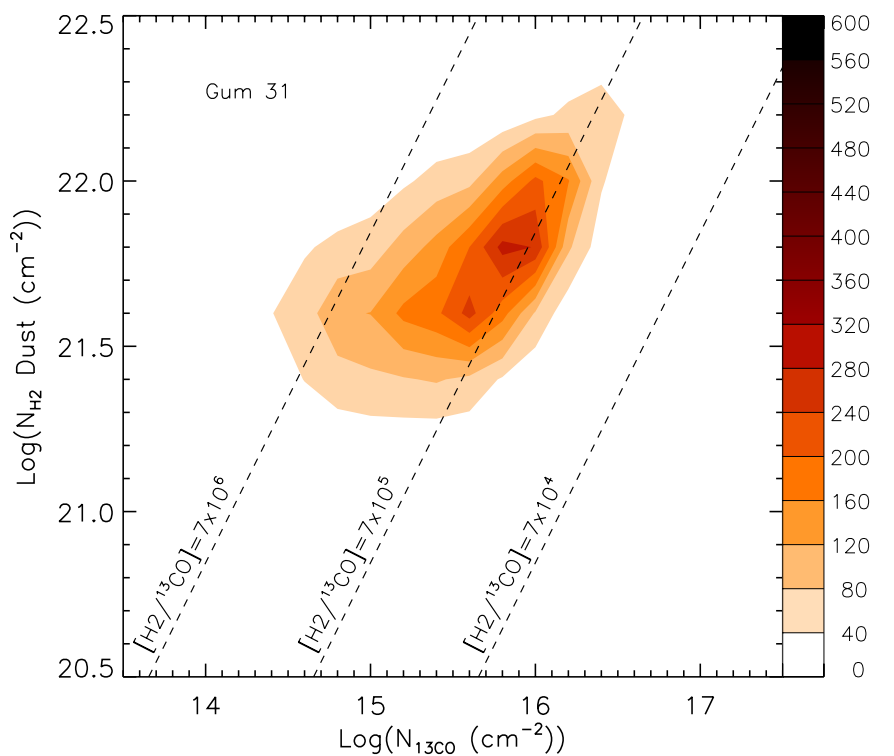
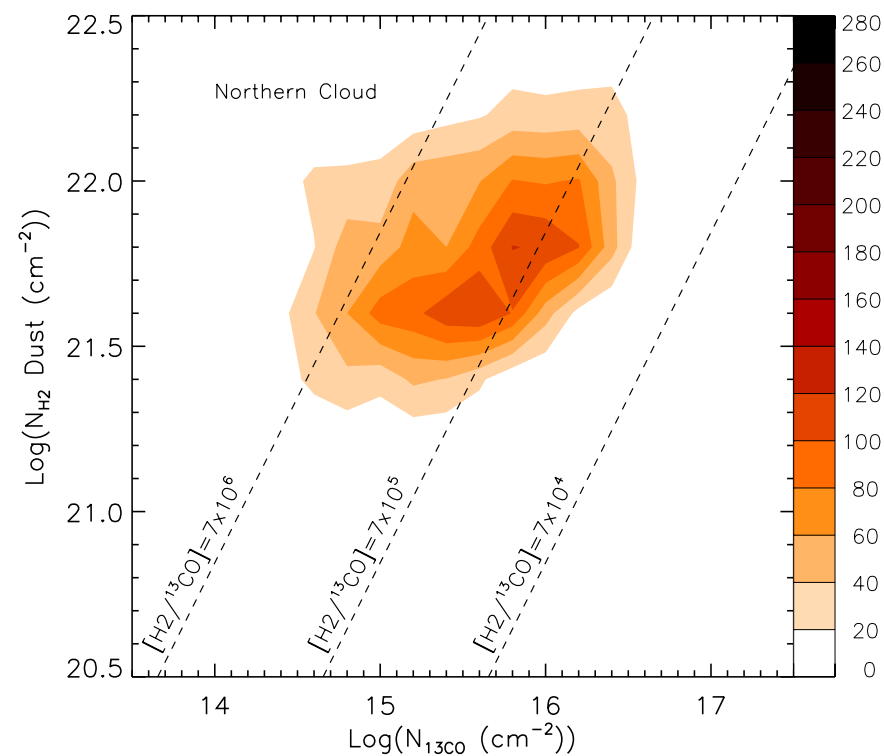
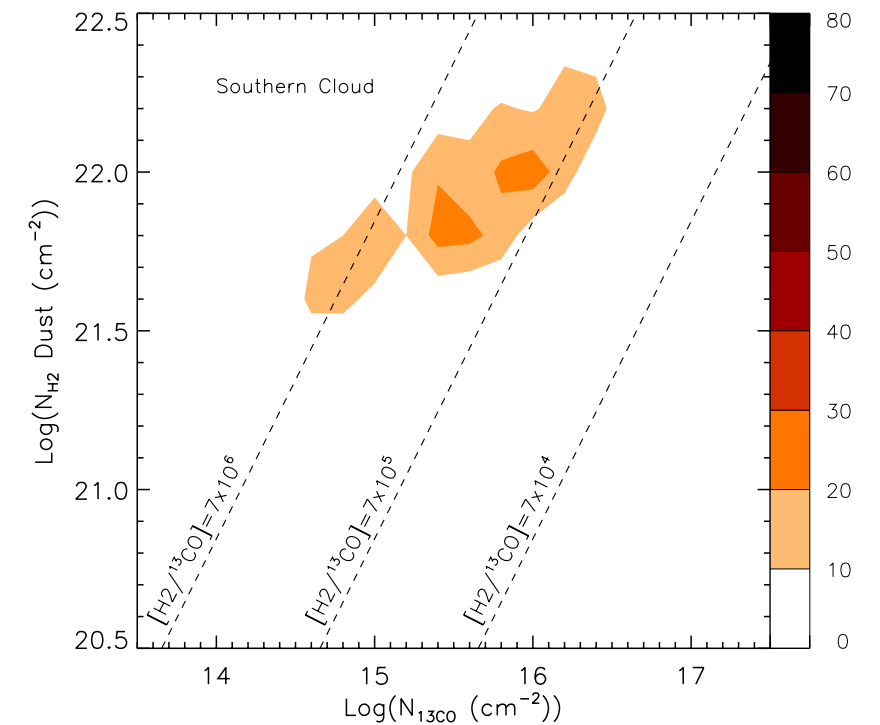
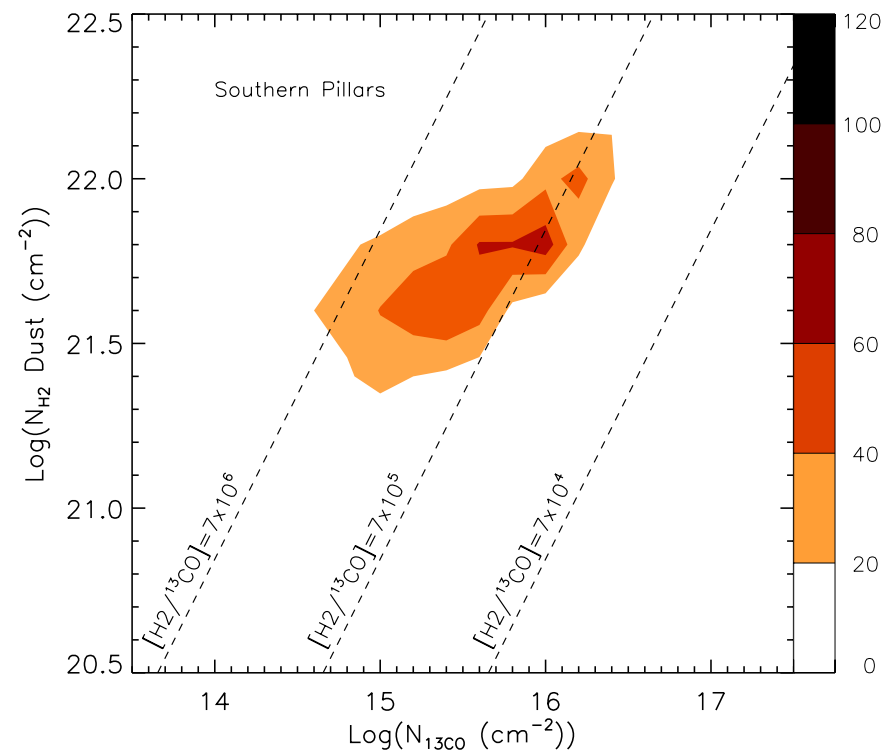


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Mass Budget

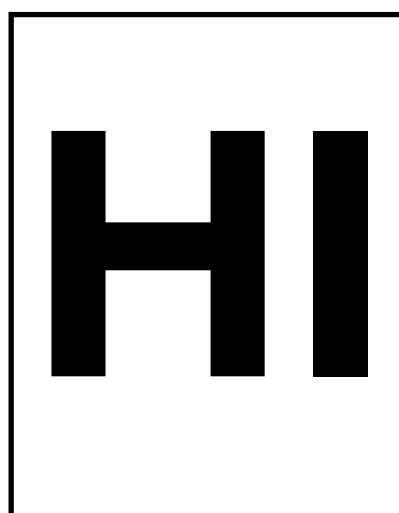
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Region	$M(\text{dust})^a$ M_{\odot}	M_{12}^a M_{\odot}	$M(\text{dust})^b$ M_{\odot}	M_{13}^b M_{\odot}	$M_{12}^a / M(\text{dust})^a$	$M_{13}^b / M(\text{dust})^b$
SP	32056	21482	20665	15793	0.67	0.76
SC	21198	10031	12227	5368	0.47	0.44
NC	86568	71070	59467	36431	0.82	0.61
Gum 31	122451	102095	82212	57911	0.83	0.70
Total	262273	204678	174571	115503	0.78	0.66

Notes.

^a Mass is calculated summing over the pixels defined by the ^{12}CO mask.

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The diagram is a hierarchical flowchart. At the top is a black box with the text 'The Carina Nebula Project'. A vertical line descends from this box and splits into two horizontal branches. The left branch leads to a light blue shaded rectangular area. Inside this area, three boxes are stacked vertically and connected by vertical lines: 'CARPARCS' at the top, 'ATCA + Parkes' in the middle, and 'Ionised gas, B field atomic gas' at the bottom. The right branch leads to three white boxes stacked vertically and connected by vertical lines: 'Molecular gas survey' at the top, 'Mopra+Nanten2' in the middle, and 'CO, C, and dense gas tracers' at the bottom.

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- The Carina Parkes-ATCA Radio Cm-wavelength Survey (CARPARCS)
- Multi-wavelength study of the Nebula: Full Stokes continuum, HI 21 cm, H158alpha recombination line, and OH-maser lines.

Band	Centre Frequency	
Continuum	2100 MHz	1-3 GHz

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Zoom Band	Centre Frequency (MHz)	# of zooms	Lines covered
z1	1420	4 zooms	HI
z2	1651	6 zooms	H158 α recombination line
z3	1720.75	4 zooms	1720 MHz OH maser (satellite line)
z4	1666.25	6 zooms	1667/1667 MHz OH main-line masers

- 11 Array configurations
- 607 hours in total to complete project
- Carina has emission features from sub-arcsecond to degree scale. Imaging is challenging.
- Multi-frequency synthesis, wide field imaging.
- Test of CASA capabilities

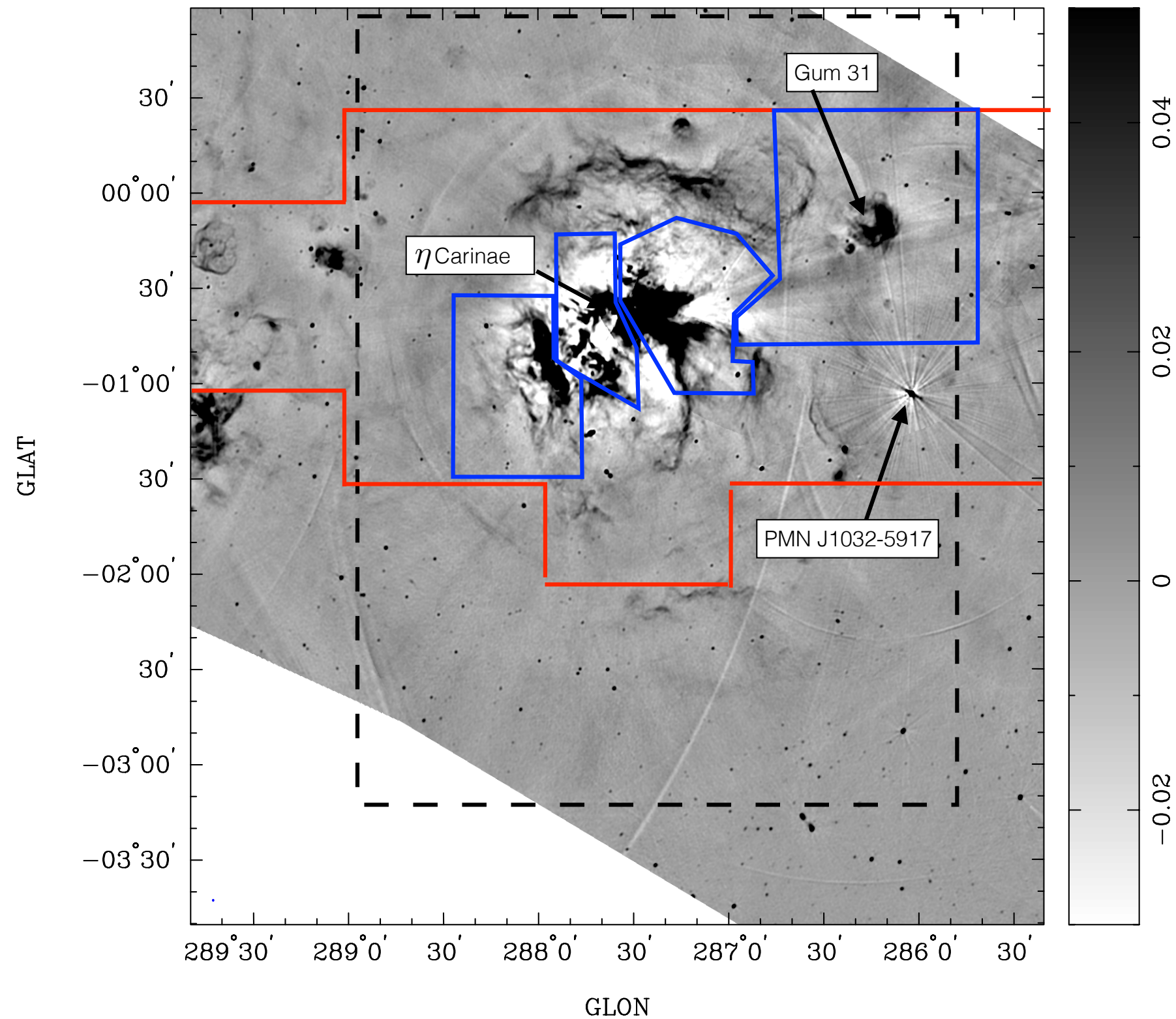
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1.5 B				
1.5 D				
6 A				
6 B				
6 C				

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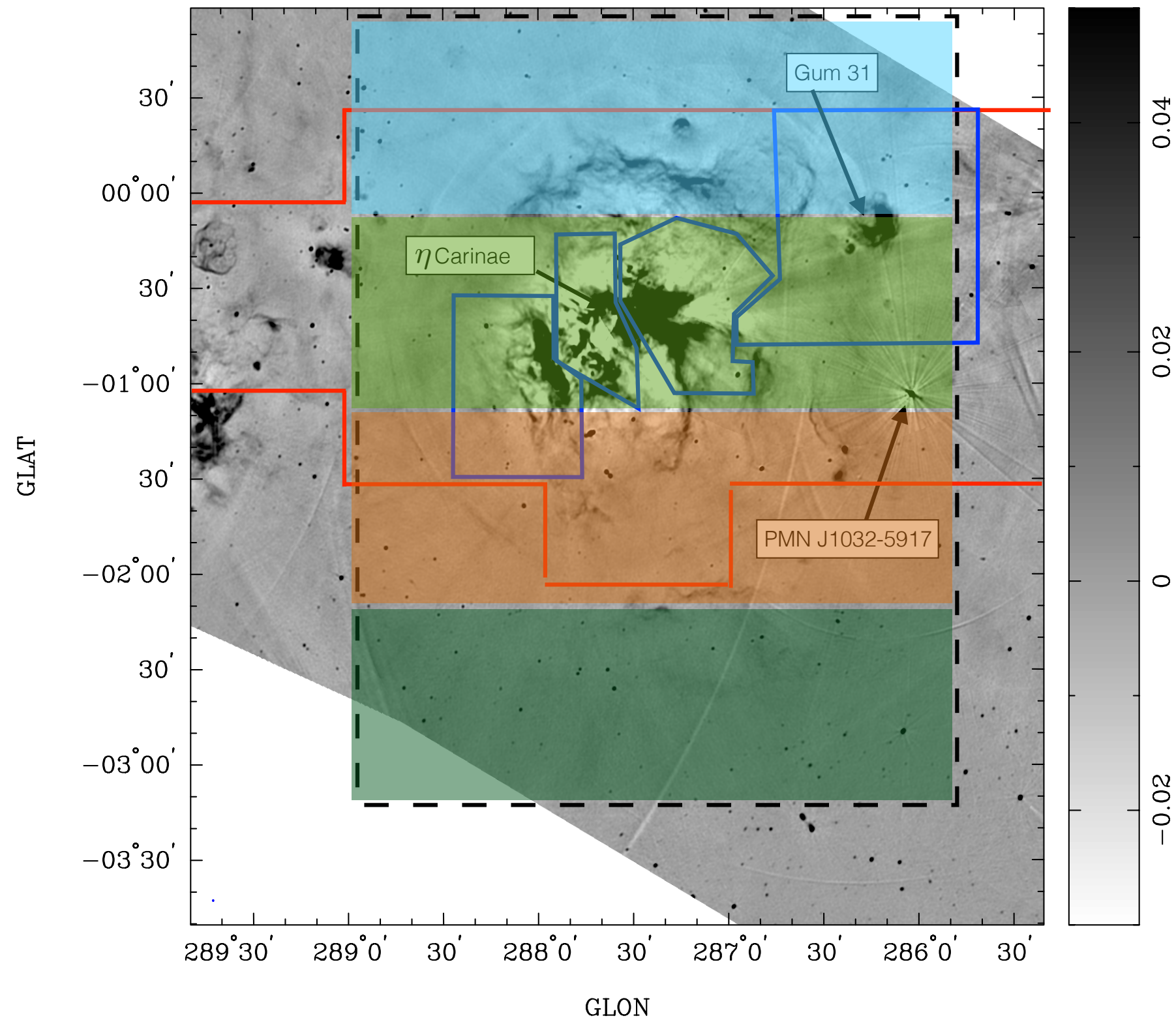
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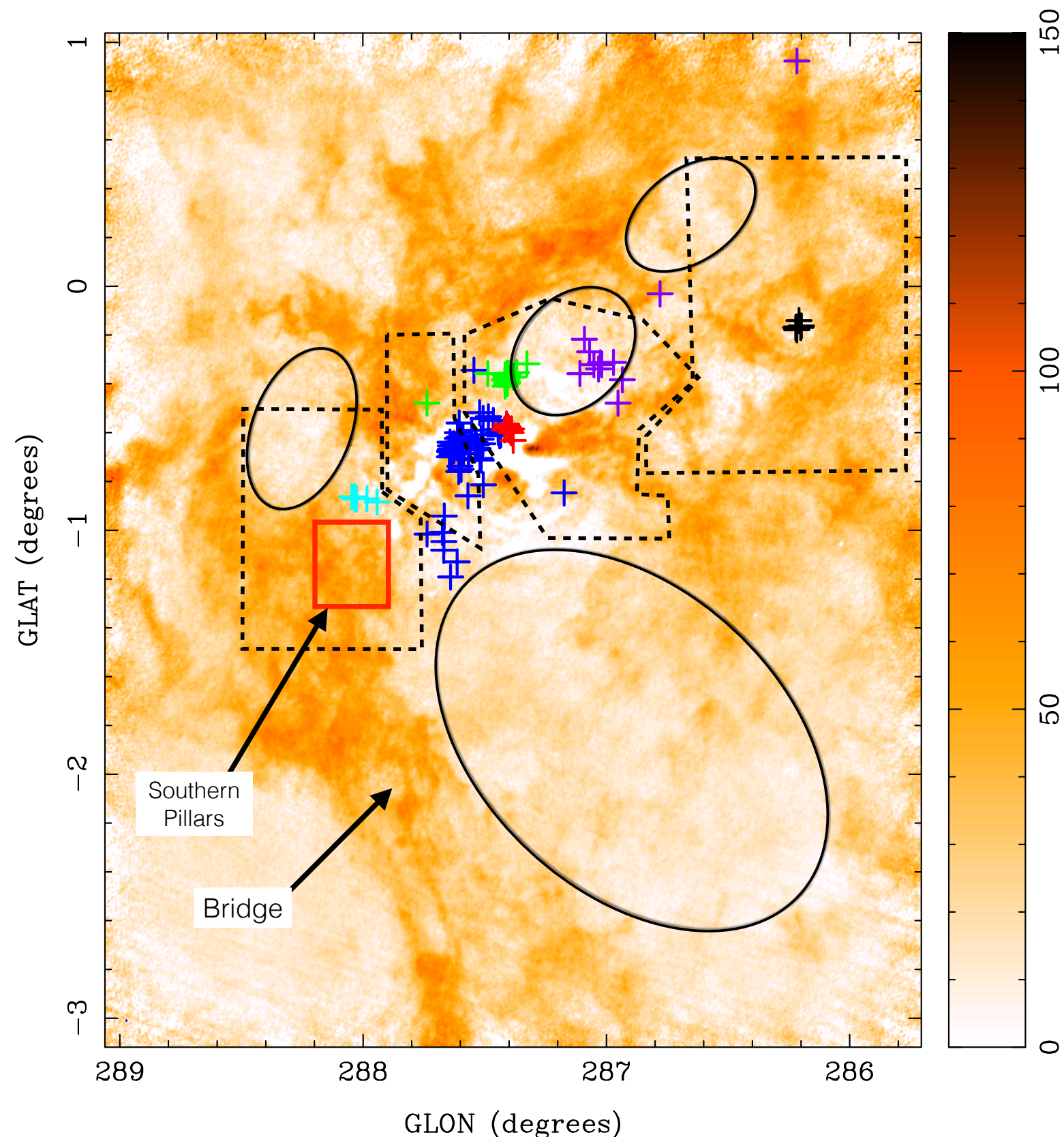


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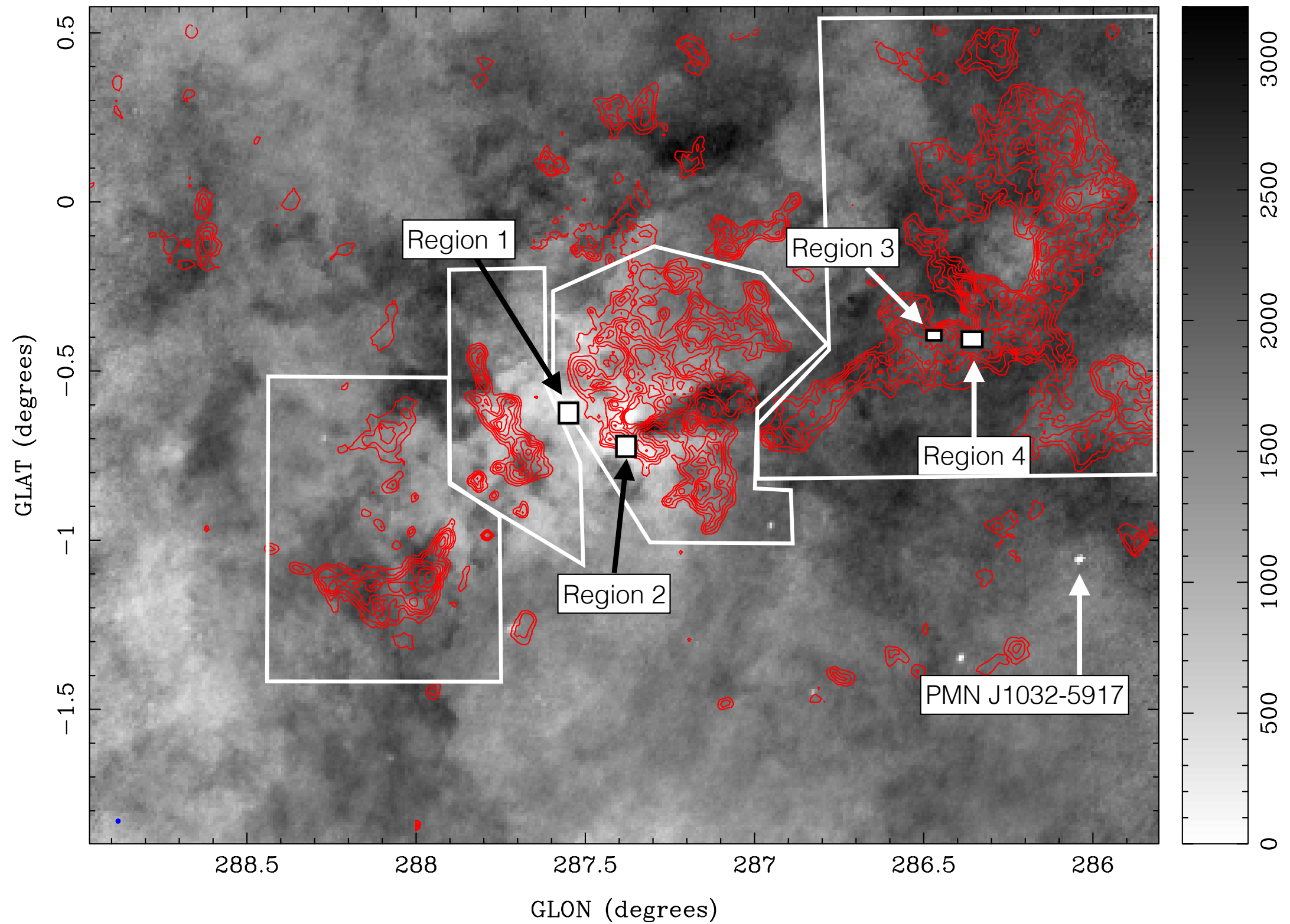
Several features in the CNC complex

- Bubbles or cavities
- Massive star clusters not at the centre of the bubbles
- Bridge of gas toward the CNC
- Top of the bridge is located at the Southern Pillars

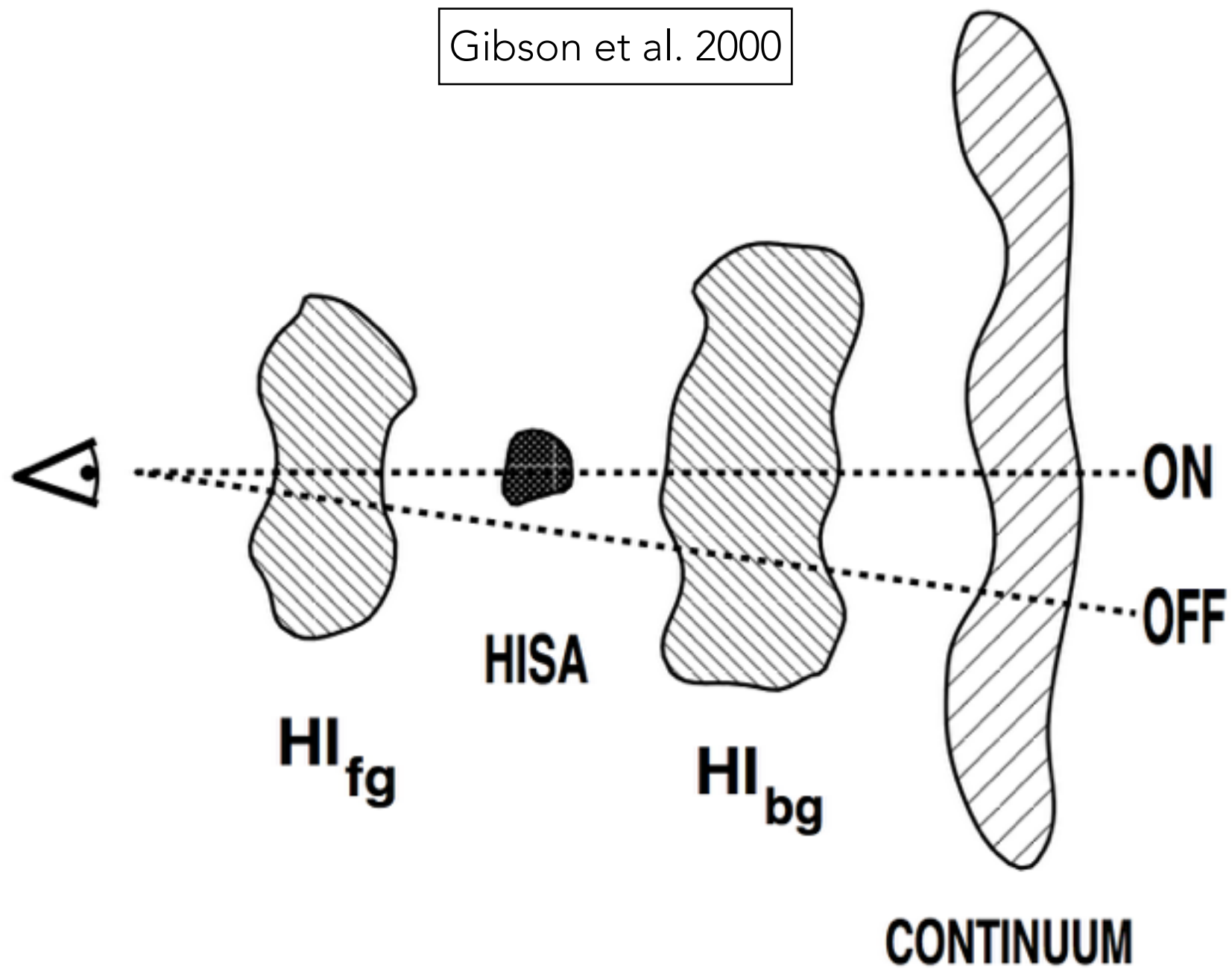
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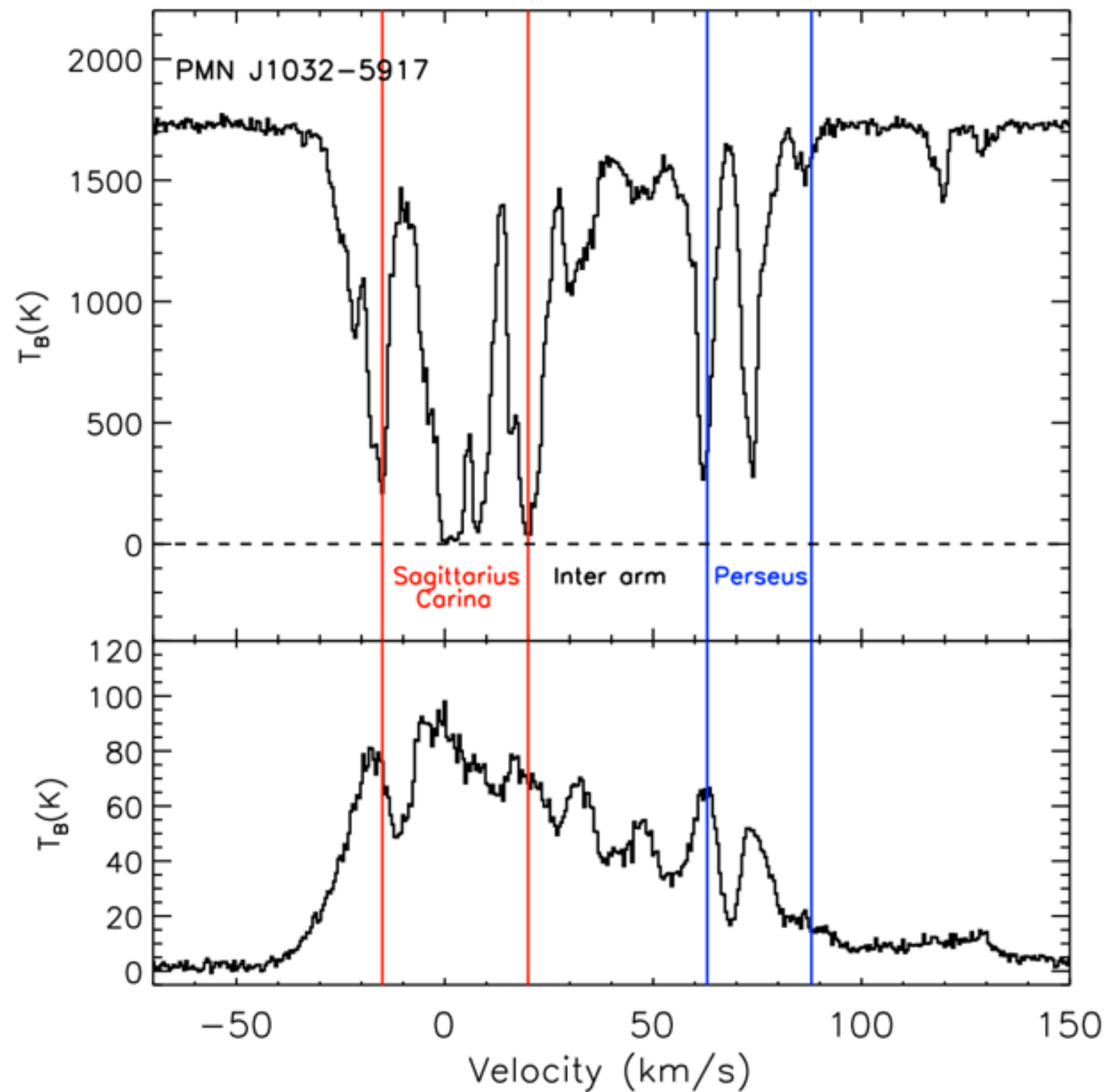
Absorption features



Depends on the complex structure of the ISM



Absorption of background continuum point source

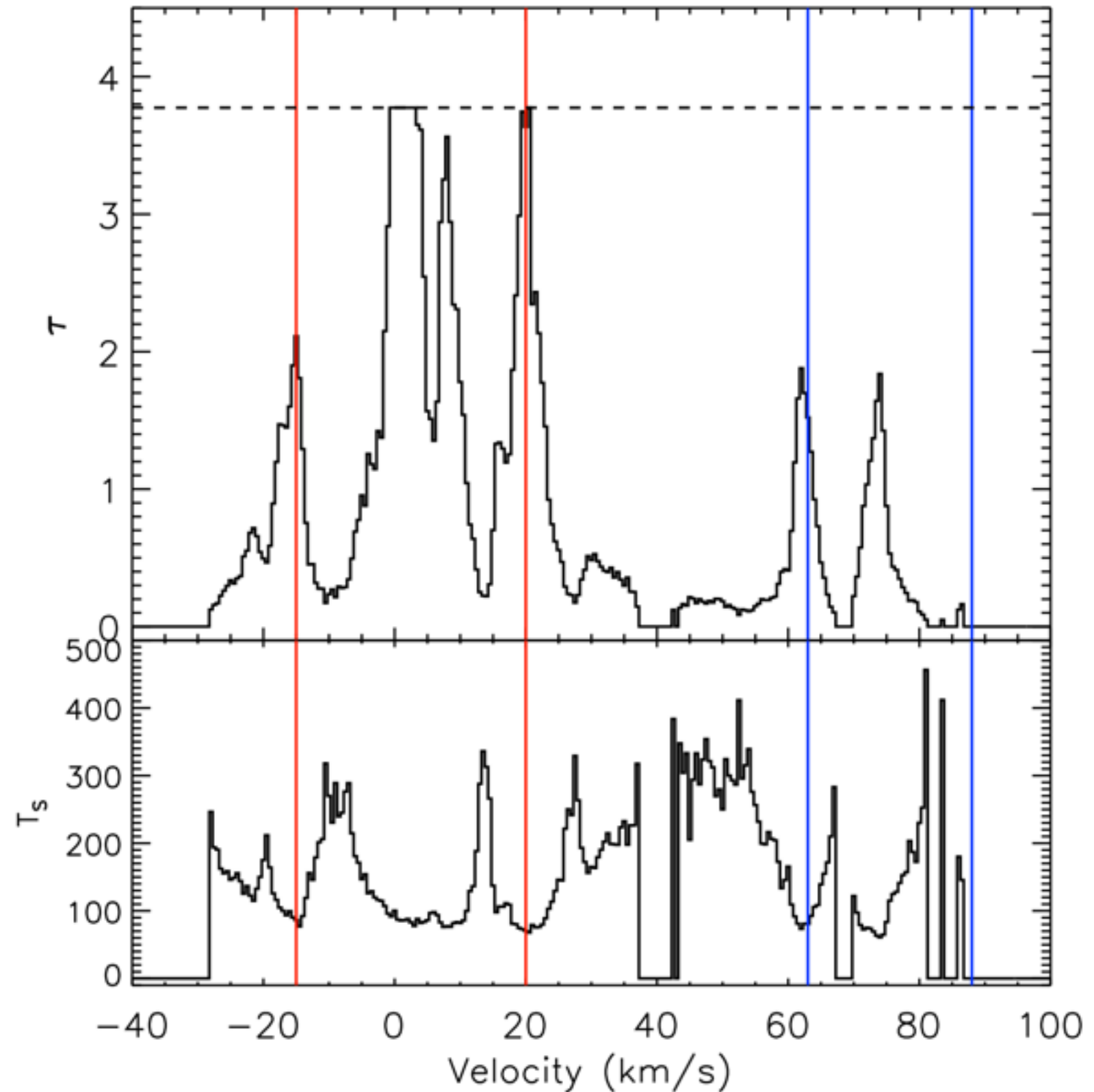


Optical depth and spin temperature of the HI

$$T_{\text{B,HI}} = (T_{\text{S}} - T_{\text{C}})(1 - e^{-\tau}).$$

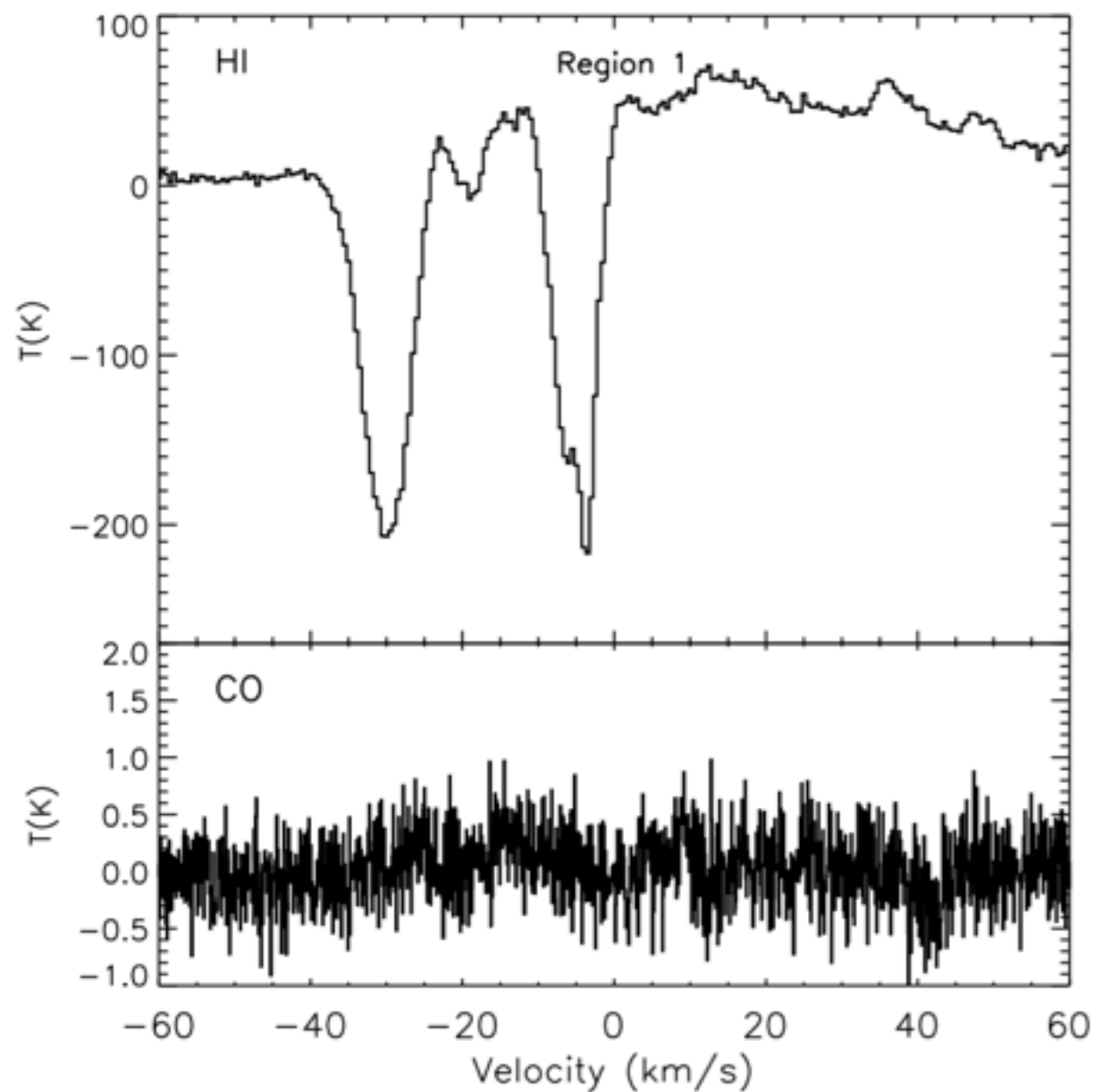
$$\tau = -\ln\left(\frac{T_{\text{ON}} - T_{\text{OFF}}}{T_{\text{C}}}\right)$$

$$T_{\text{S}} = \frac{T_{\text{OFF}}}{(1 - e^{-\tau})}.$$

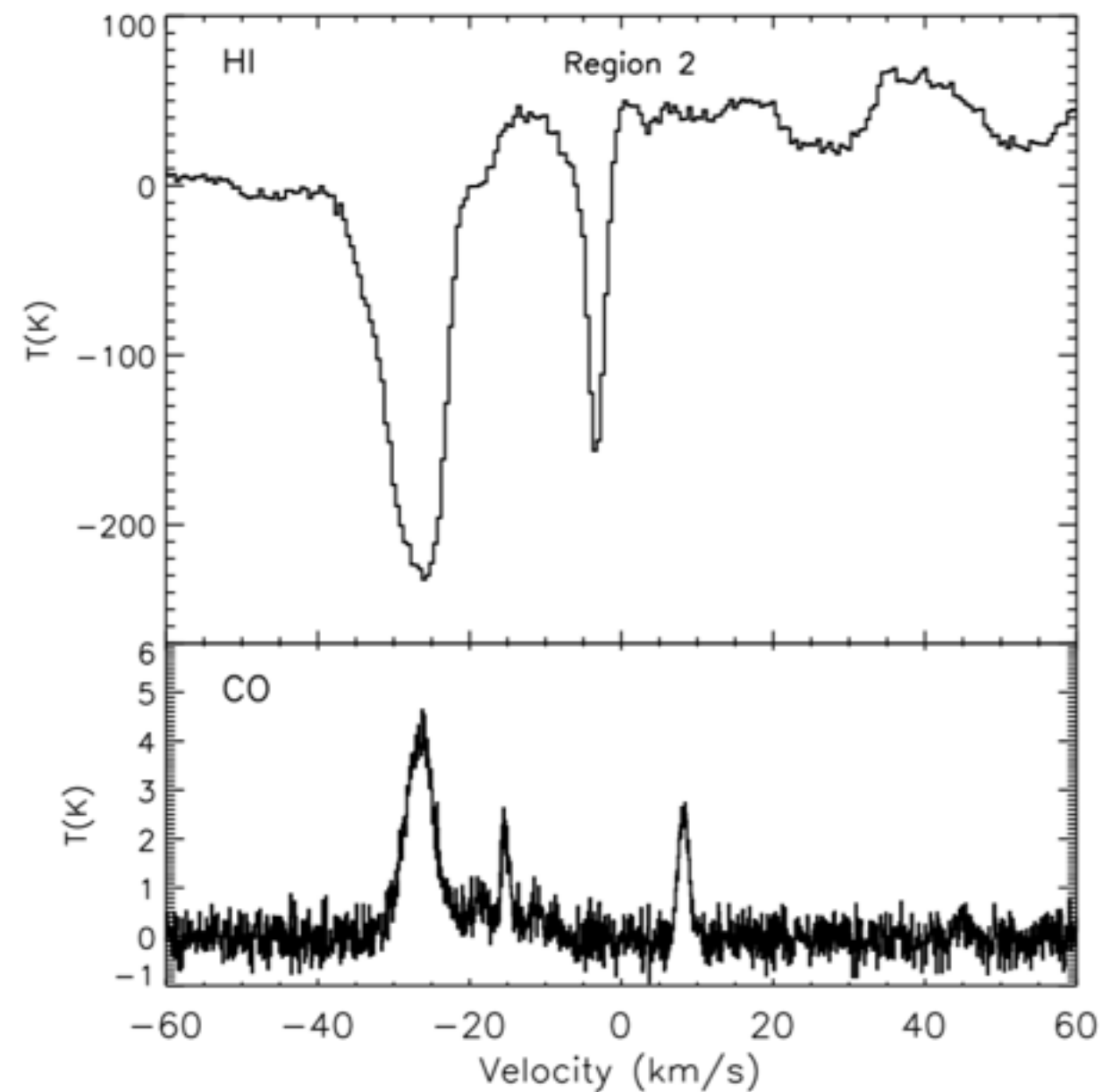


Background strong continuum sources can be used as tools to detect the cold components

No CO counterpart



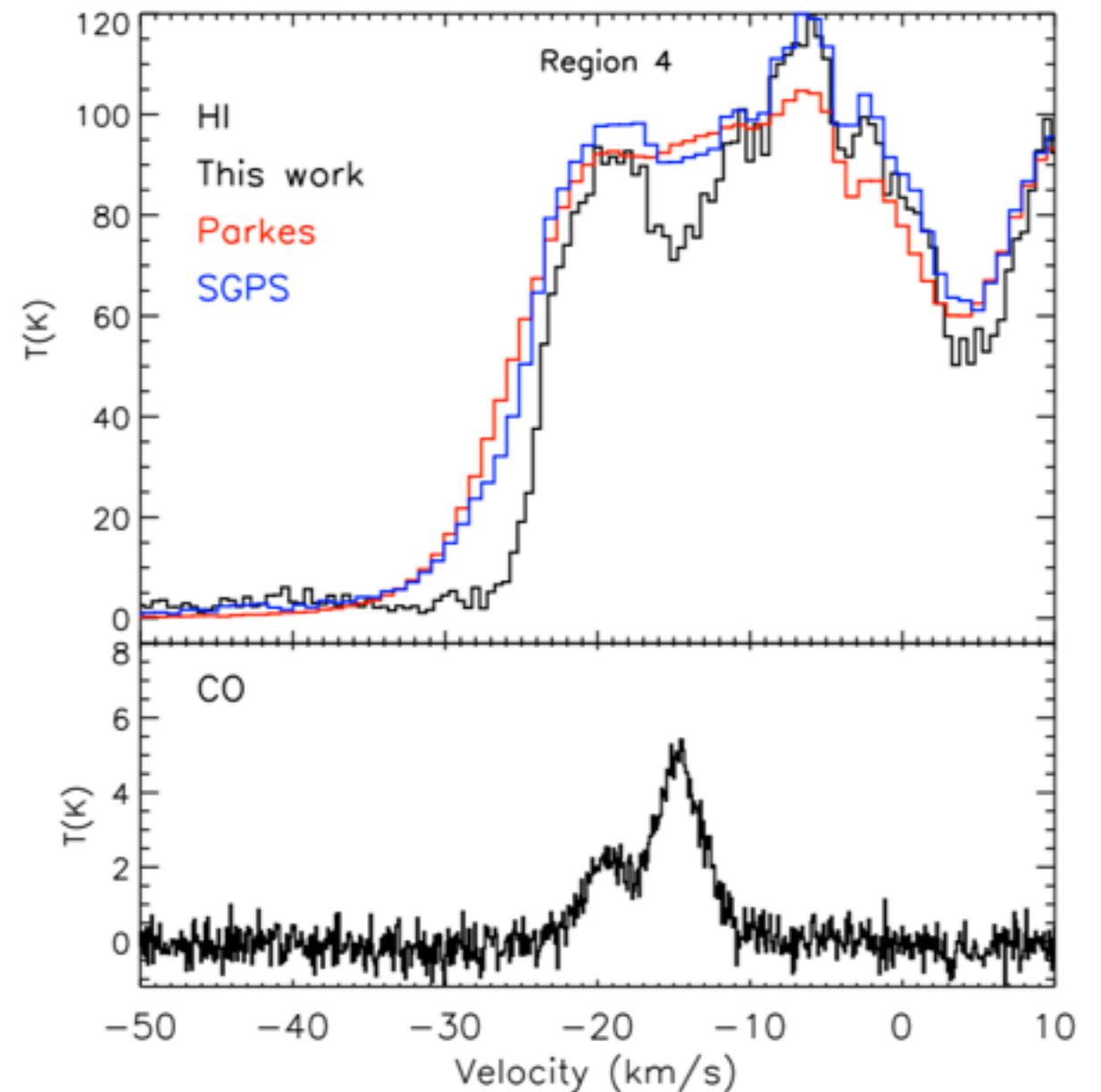
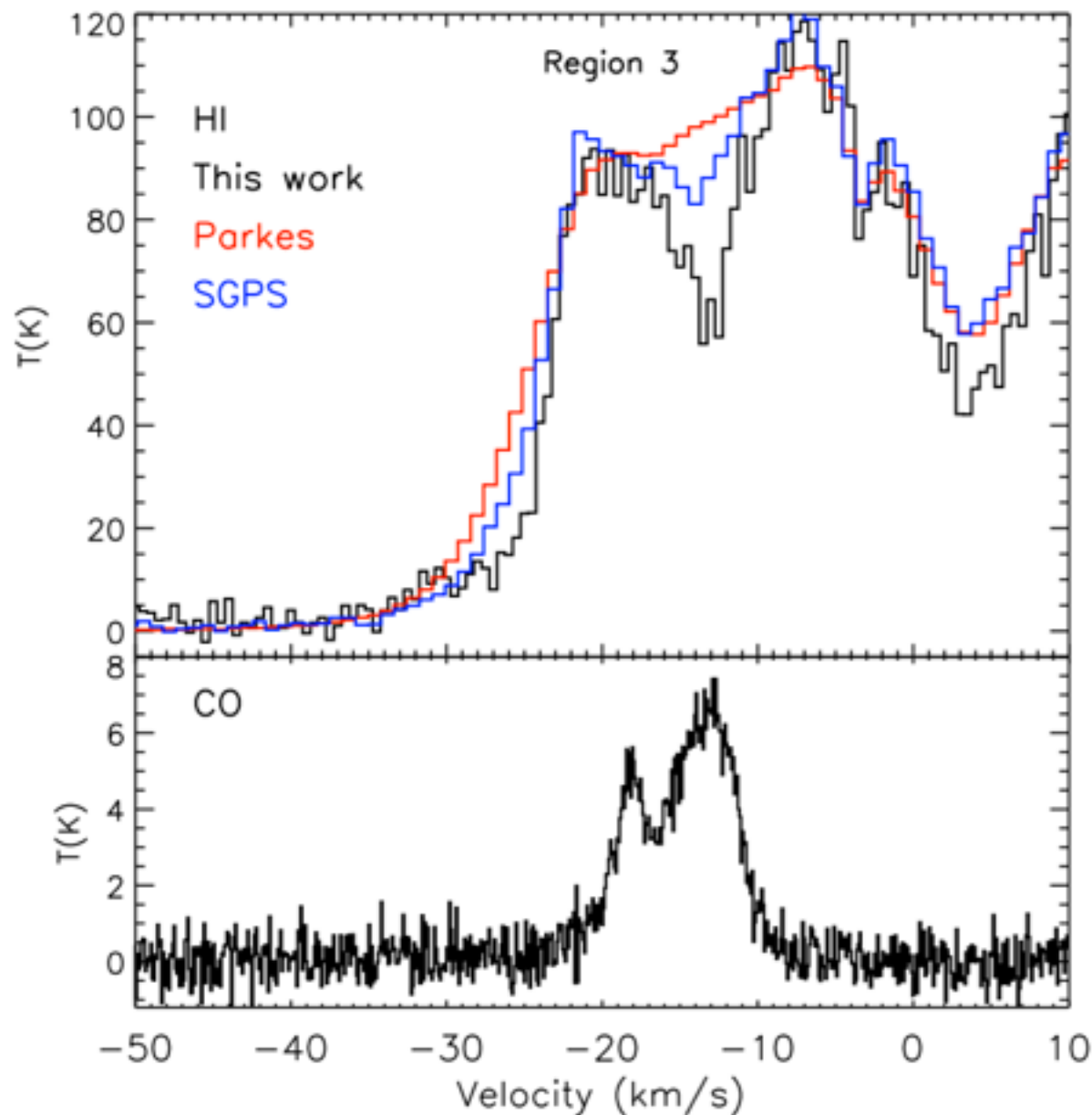
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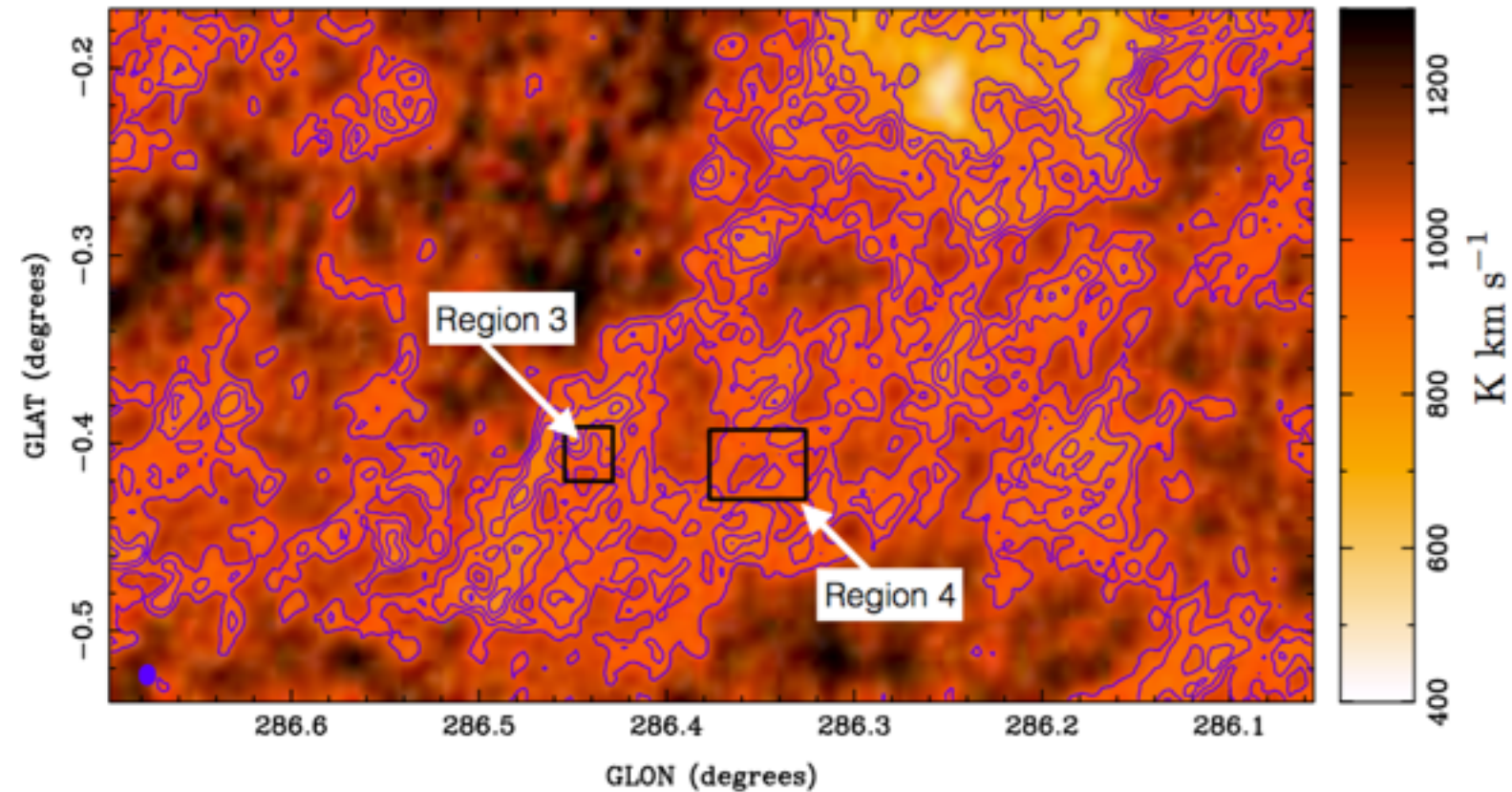
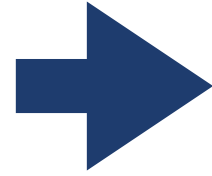
HI self absorption features - HISA

High resolution observations are needed to detect HISA features

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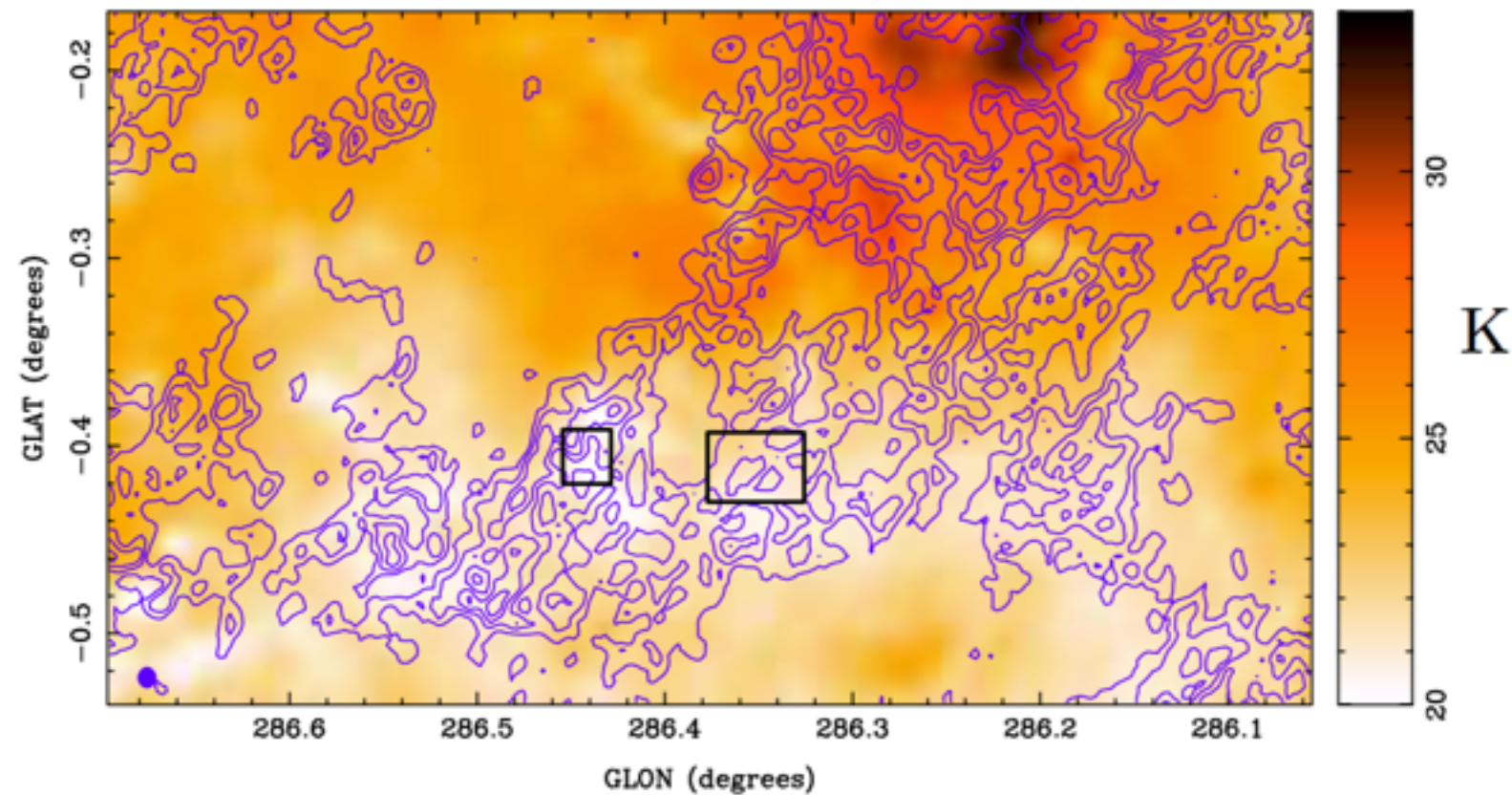
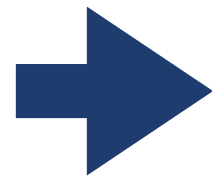


HI integrated
intensity over the
HISA feature



Good correlation
between HISA
features and cold gas

Dust temperature

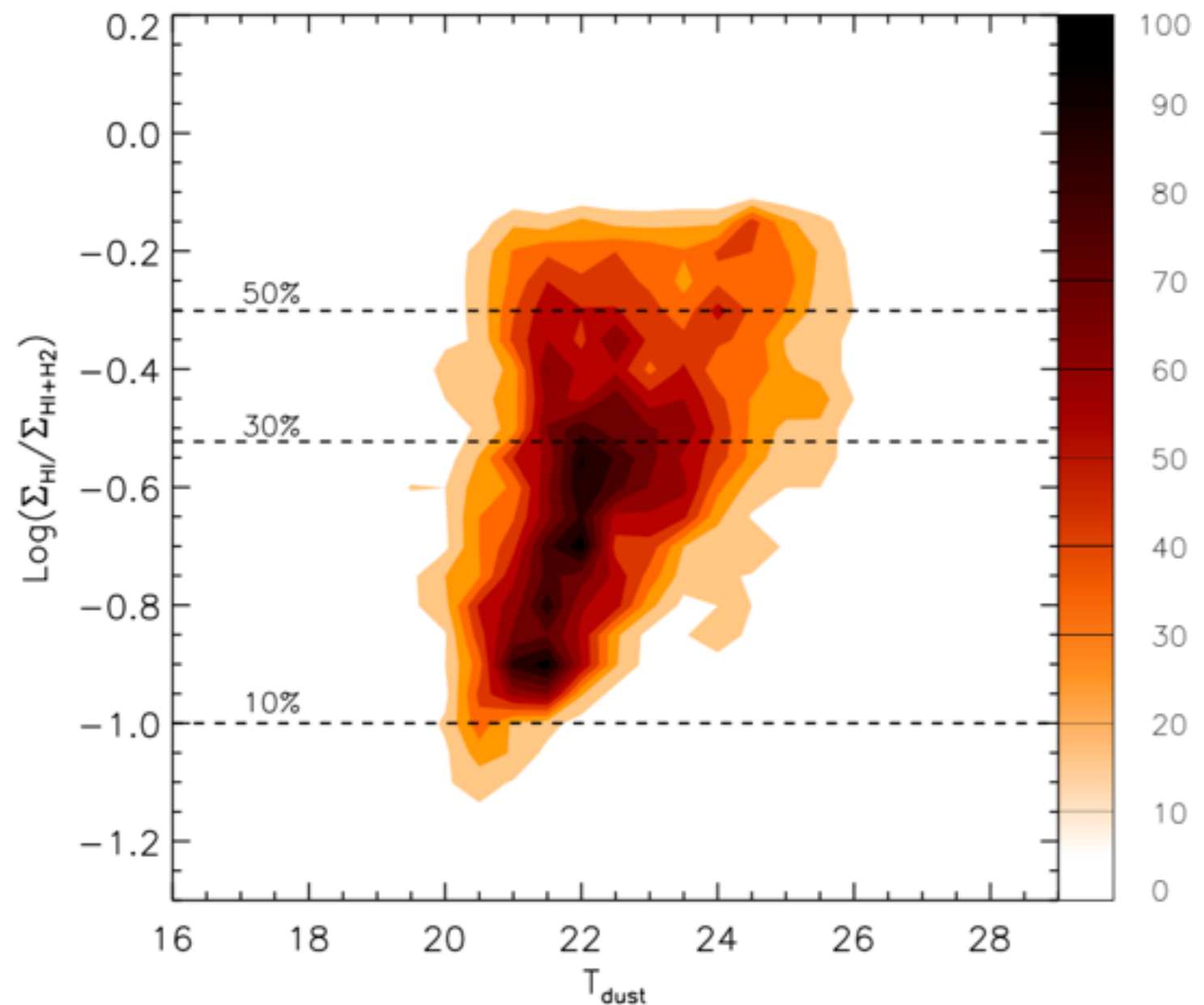


Atomic gas fraction

The fraction of atomic gas gradually decreases as the dust temperature gets colder.

Transition from atomic to molecular gas is likely to be happening in this region.

Gum 31 region



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Gas vs $^{12}\text{CO} + \text{HI}$

Optically thin

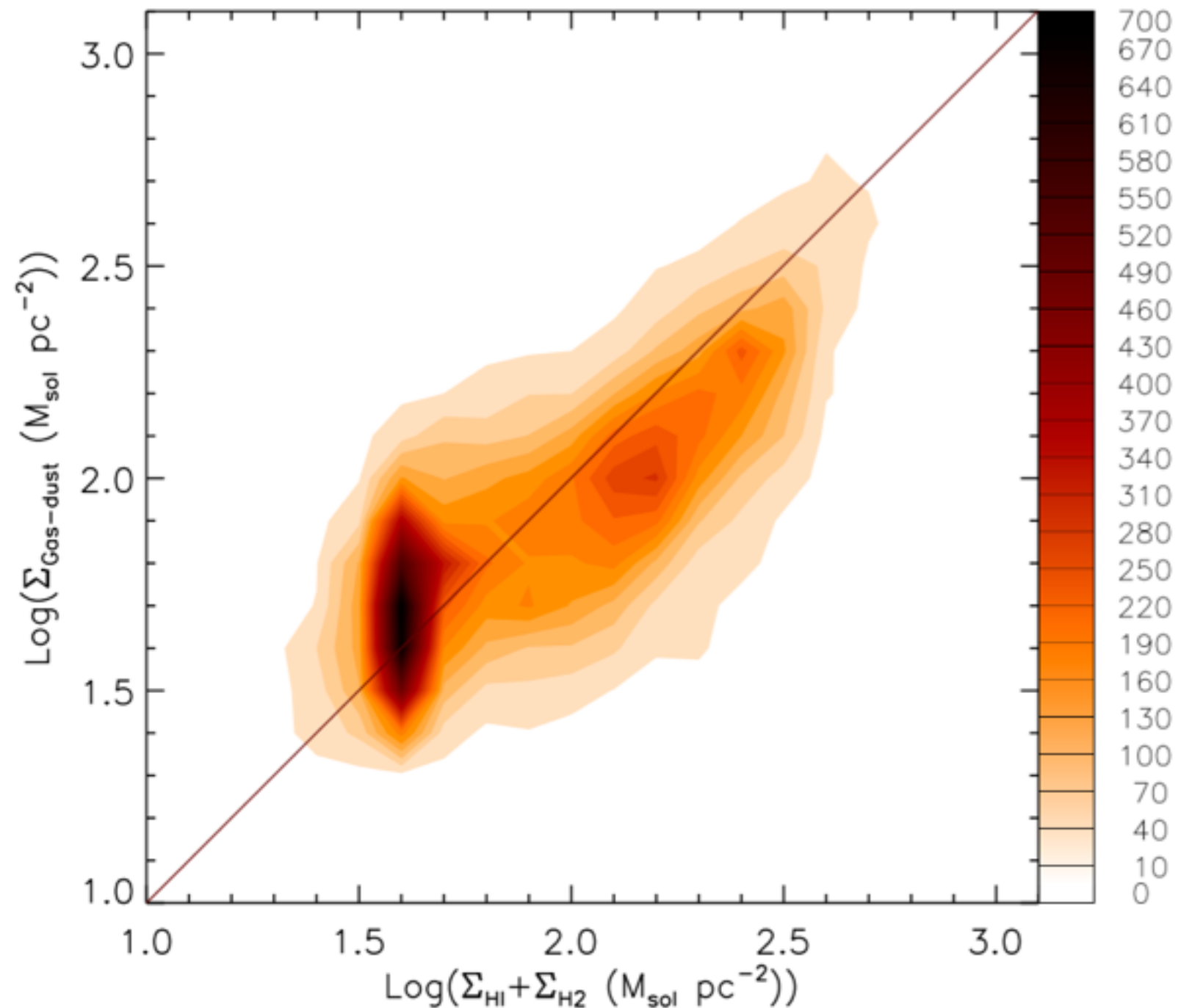
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Overall consistency
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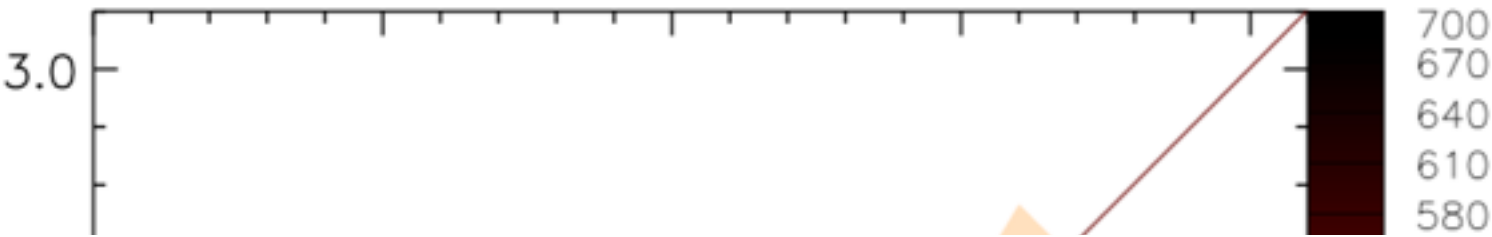


Table 1. Gas mass budget for Gum 31.

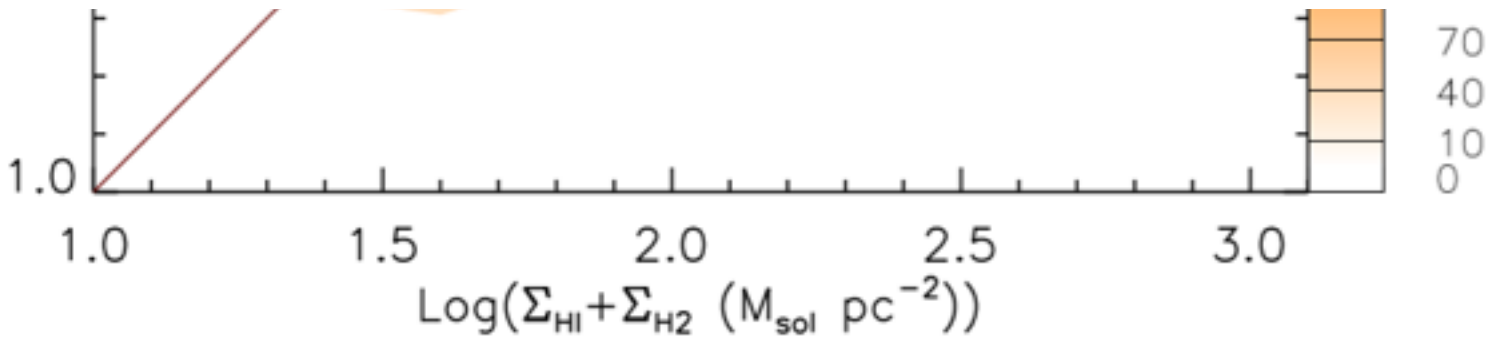
$M(\text{dust})^a$ $M_\odot \times 10^5$	M_{H2}^b $M_\odot \times 10^5$	M_{HI}^c $M_\odot \times 10^5$	$M_{\text{H2}} + M_{\text{HI}}$ $M_\odot \times 10^5$
(1.5 ± 0.1)	(1.1 ± 0.1)	(0.6 ± 0.1)	(1.7 ± 0.1)

Notes.

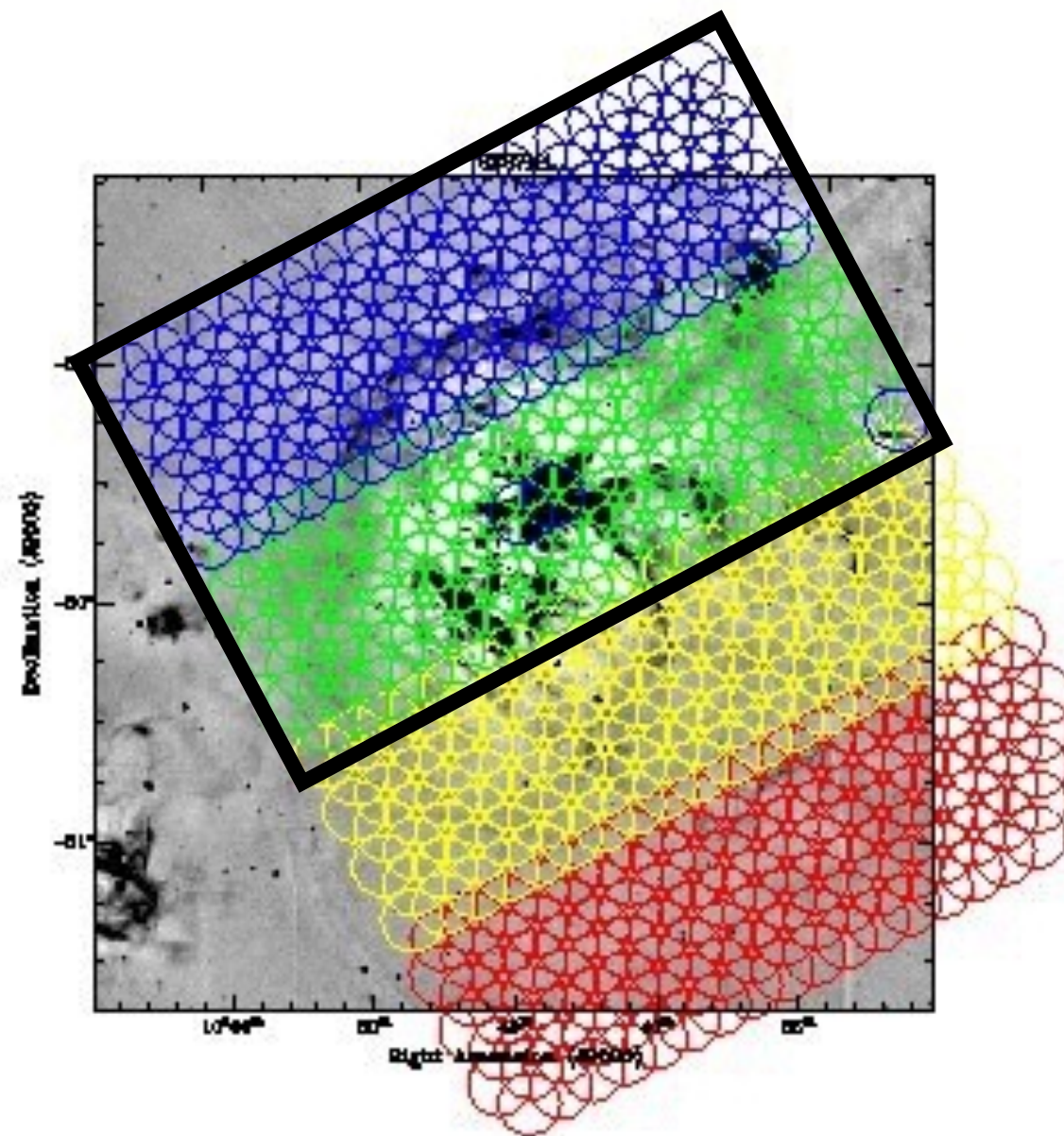
^a $M(\text{dust})$ is the total gas mass derived from dust emission.

^b M_{H2} is the molecular gas mass derived from ¹²CO.

^c M_{HI} is the atomic gas mass derived from HI 21 cm line.



CARPARCS covers a 2.3×2.1 degree region on the sky in the 1-3 GHz continuum band with a total of 523 pointings.



Continuum

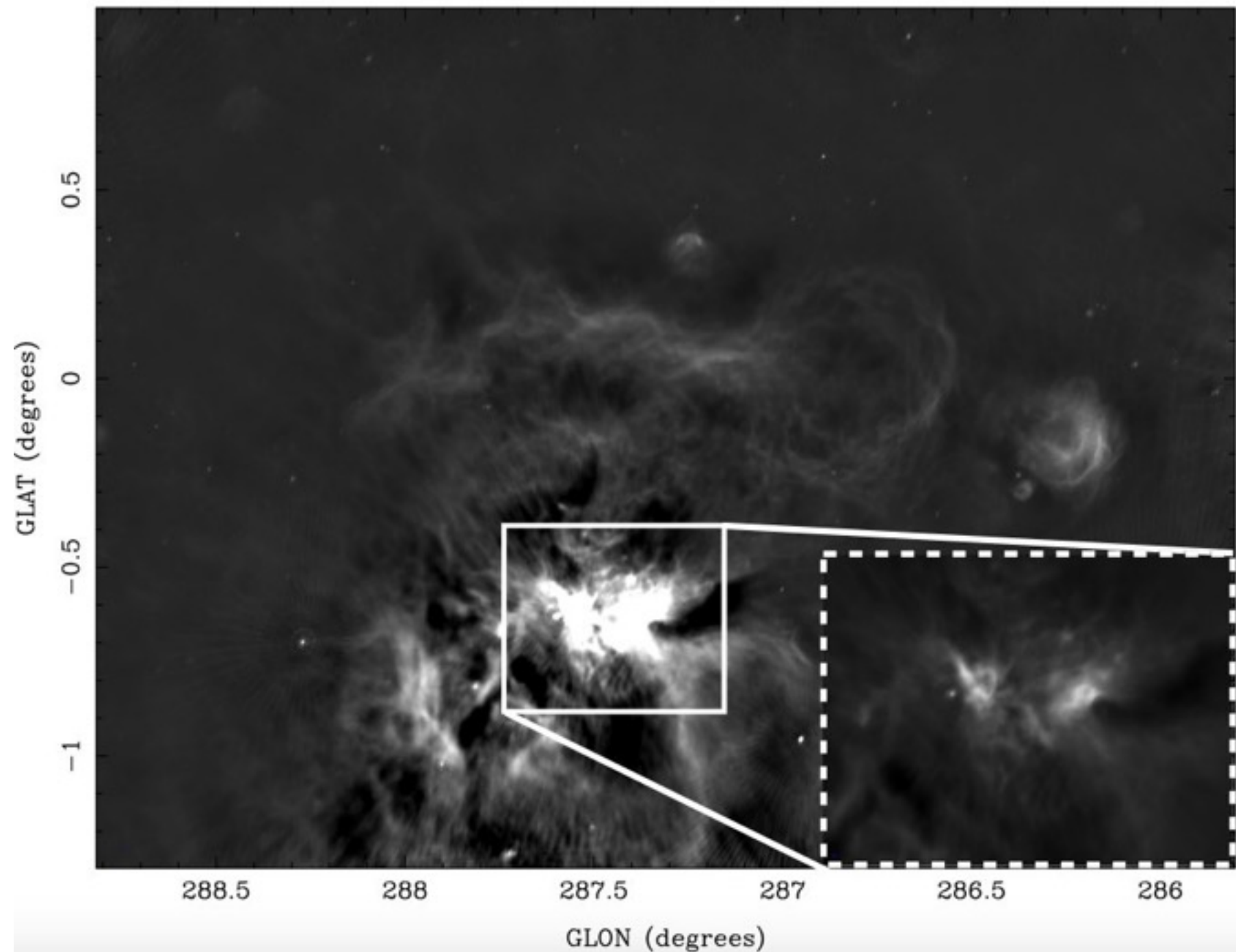
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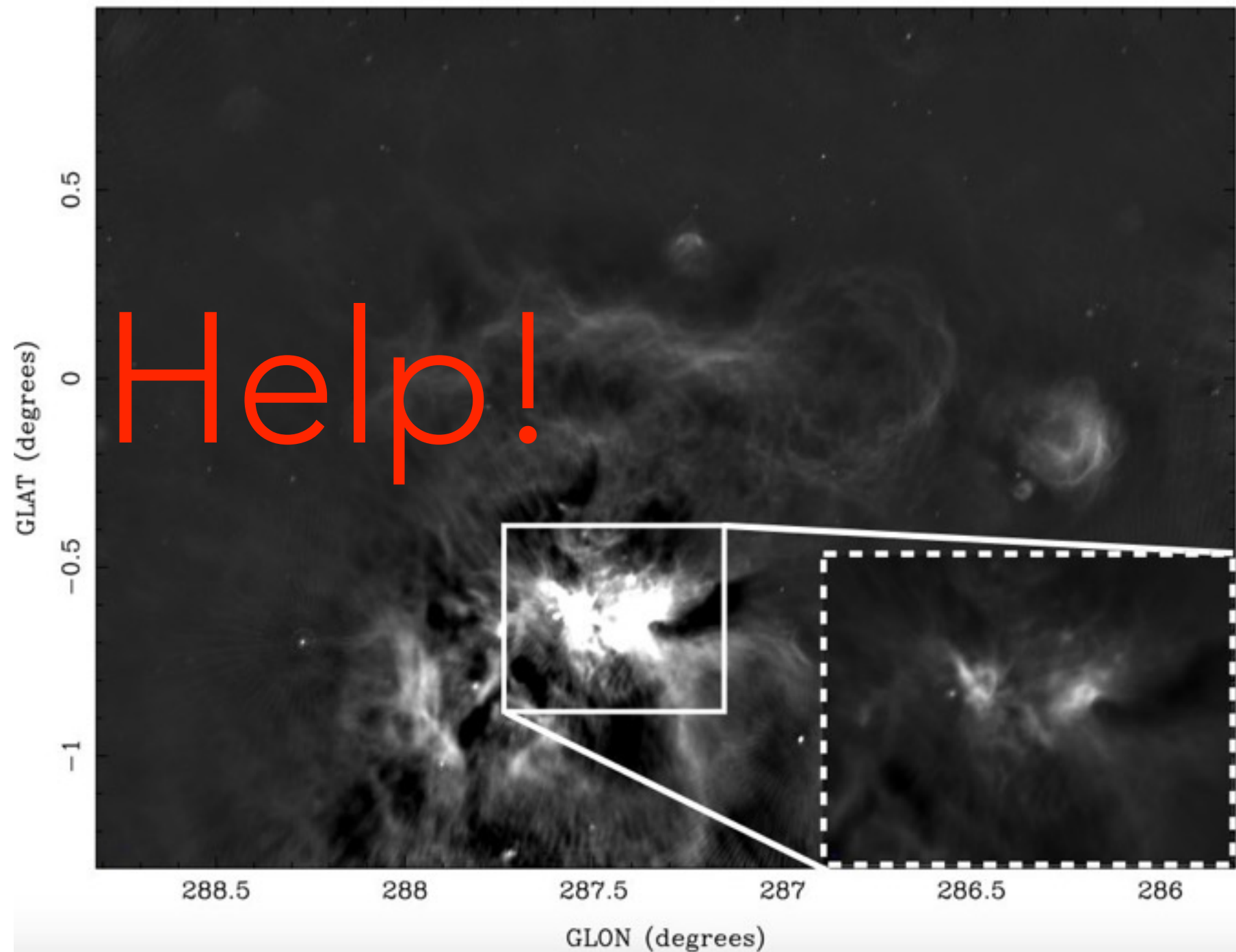


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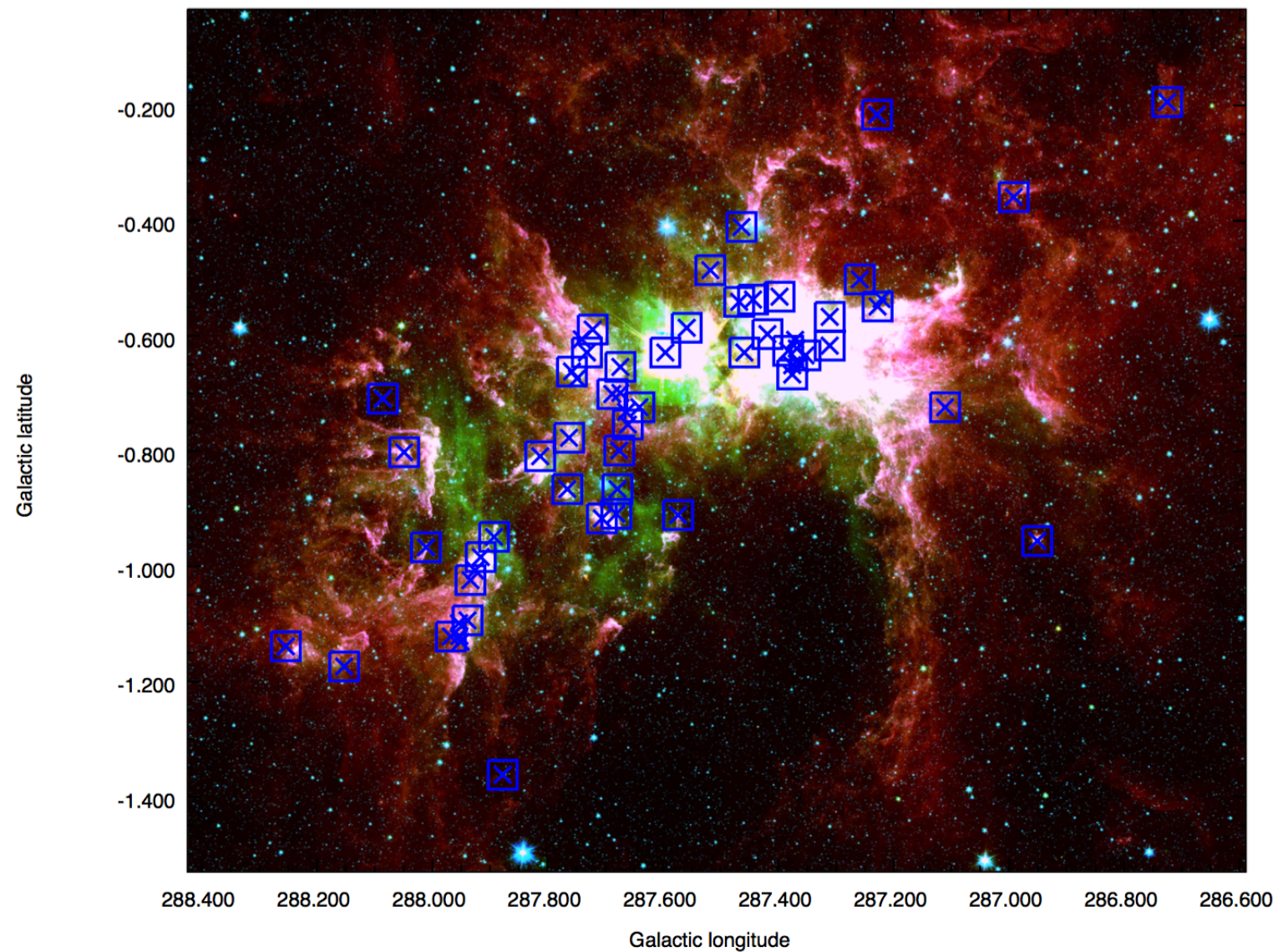


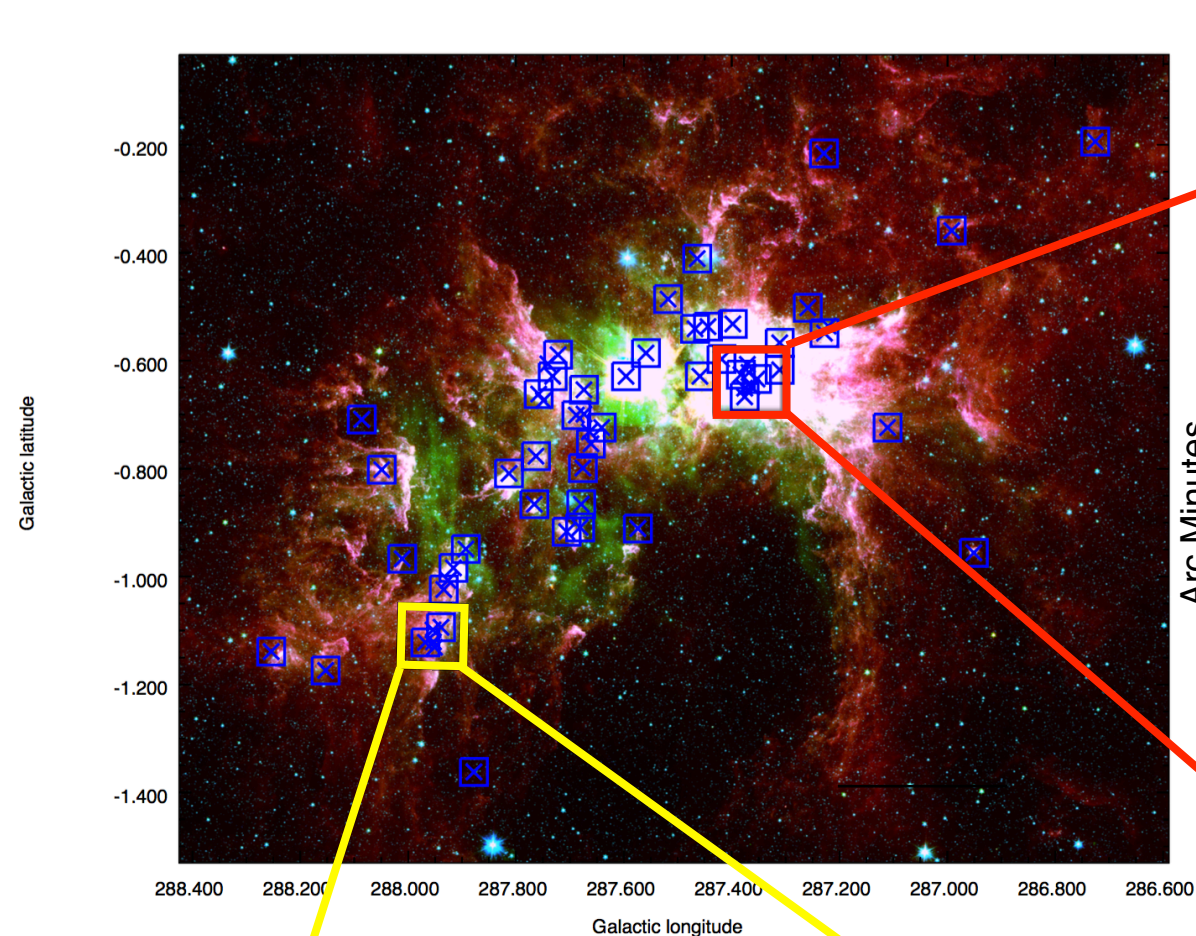
ALMA

High-mass star forming clumps in the Carina Nebula

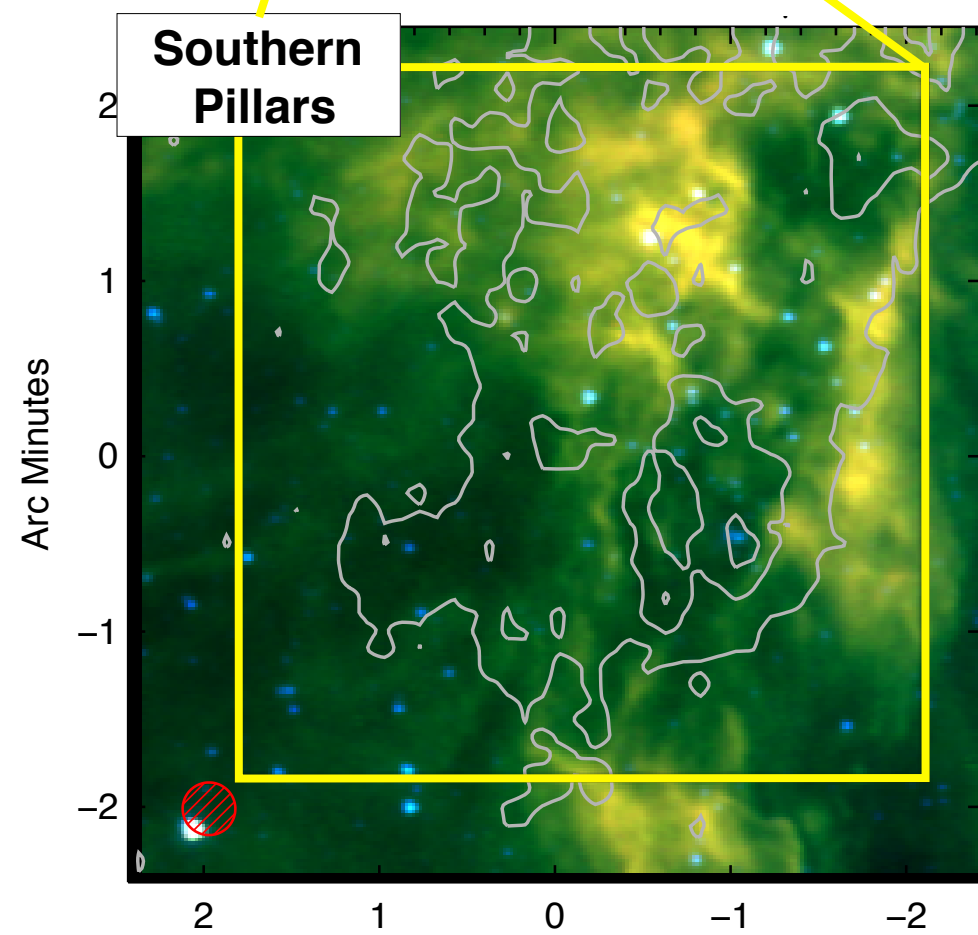
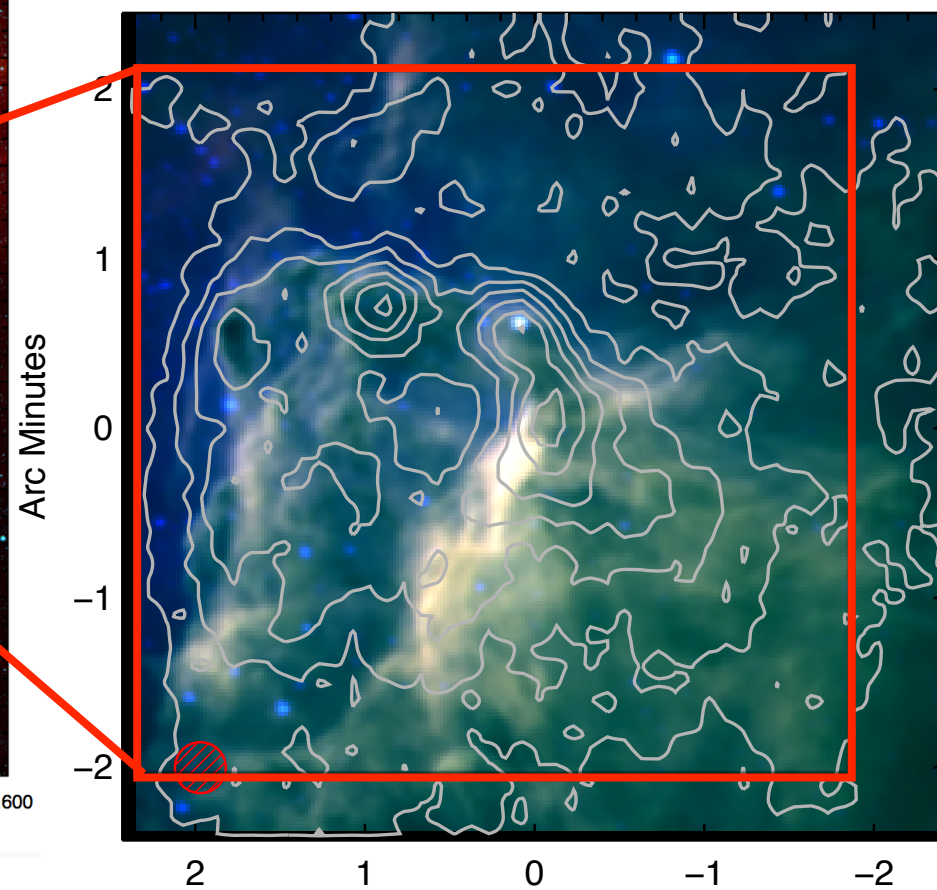
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- Observations toward 60 high mass star forming clumps
- Combination of dense gas, shock and ionisation tracers
- Observing 16 spectral lines at ~ 90 GHz, including HCN, HCO⁺, HNCO, and SiO.





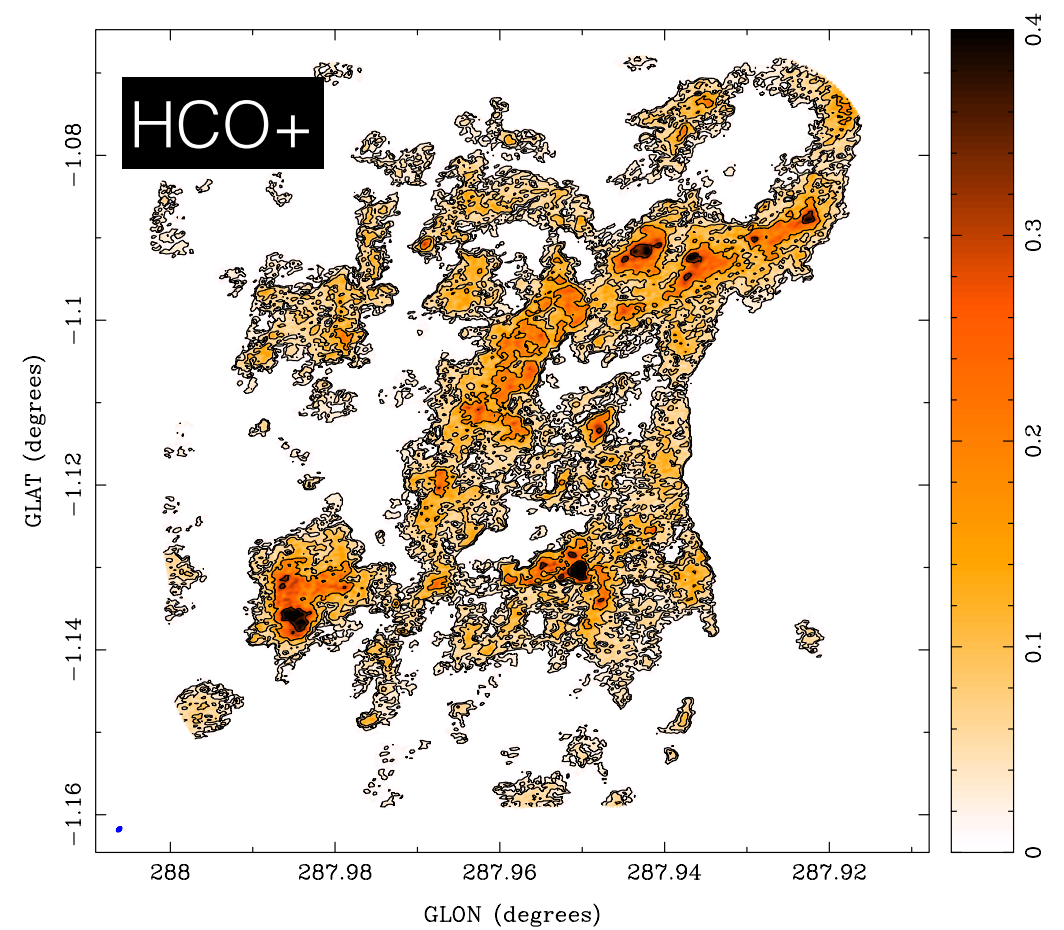
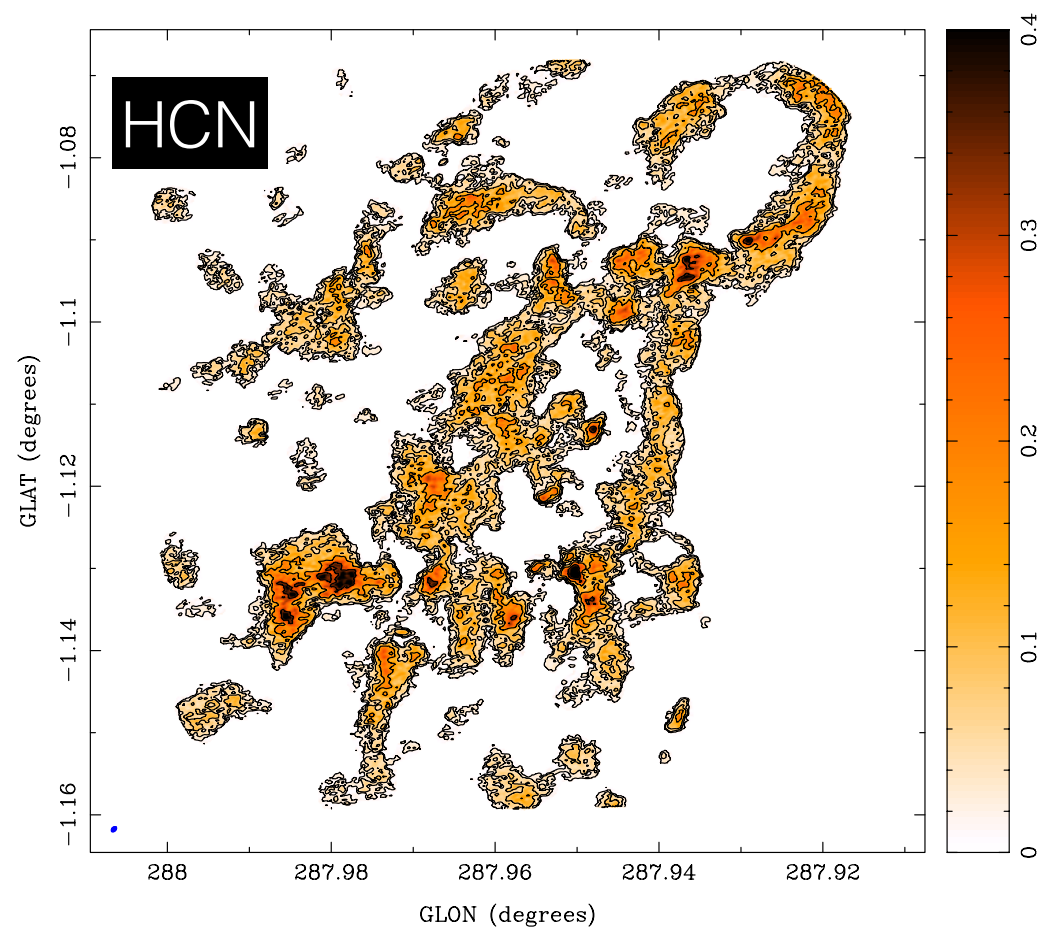
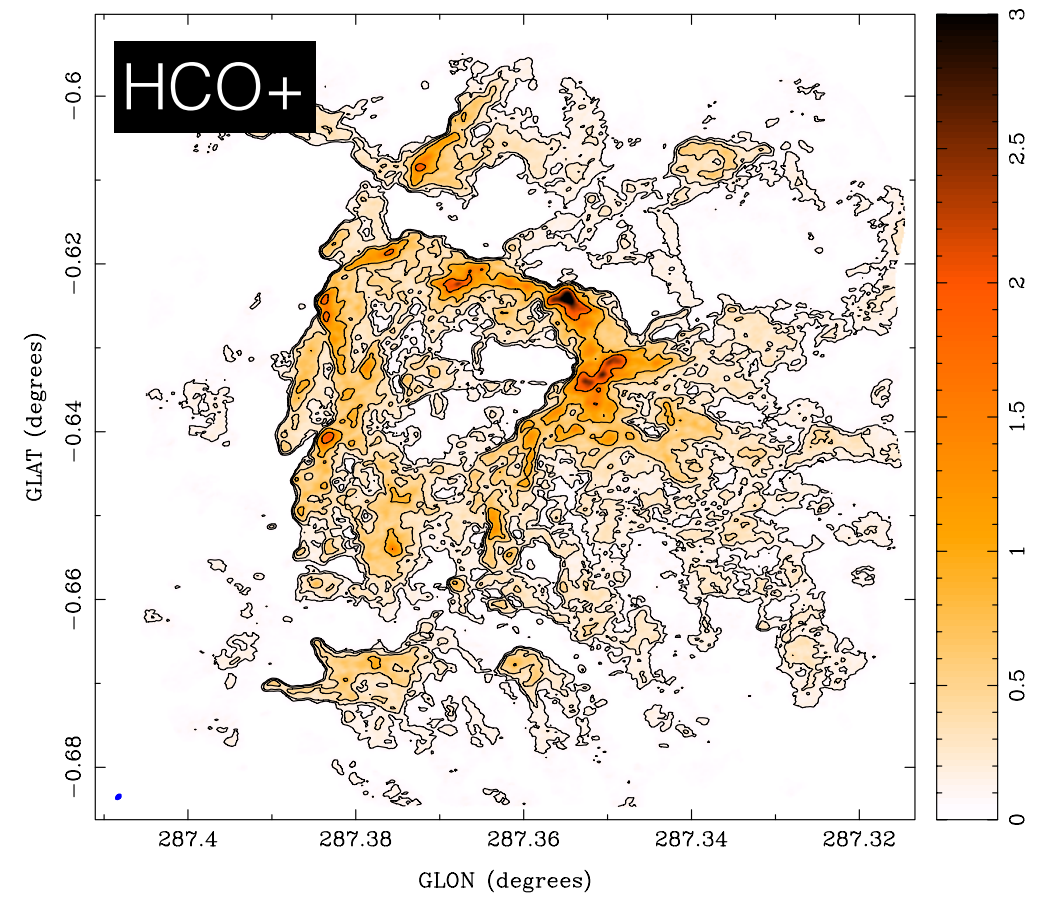
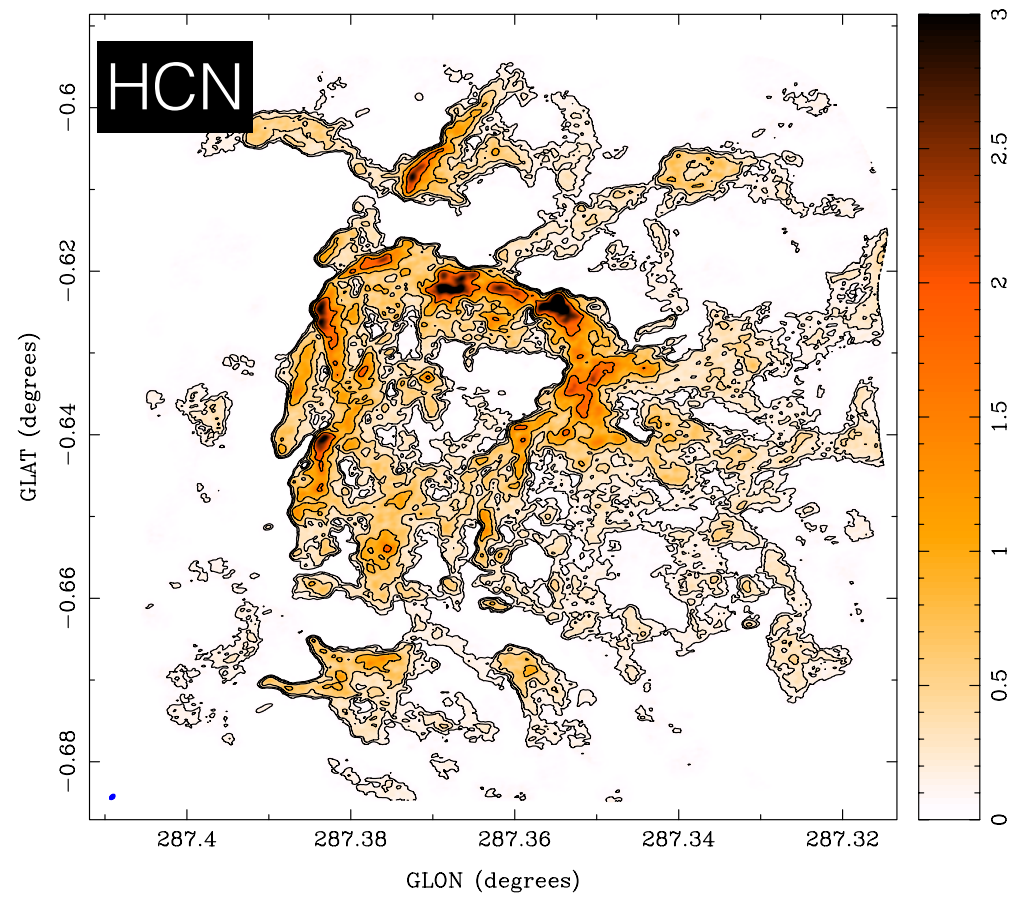
Northern Cloud



**Southern
Pillars**

**Cycle 4 - Band 3 (3mm)
HCO⁺, HCN and other molecules +
dust continuum at 3 mm**

**Cycle 5 - Band 6 (1mm)
Higher transitions of HCO⁺ and HCN +
dust continuum at 1mm**



WHAT IS NEXT?

- Detail model of the atomic gas (Cold+Warm component), and correction of the diffuse continuum effect.
- Better comparison between different components of the ISM
- Robust comparison between Northern Cloud and Southern Pillars using high resolution ALMA data

SUMMARY

- We have created a high resolution of molecular, atomic and ionized (in process) maps of the Carina Nebula-Gum 31 complex, with a factor of 4 improvement in beam size compared to previous surveys.
- High resolution maps have allowed us to find compact regions of cold HI where the phase transition is likely to be occurring.
- Imaging continuum is difficult...