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Astrochemistry: Building Potentially Habitable Worlds

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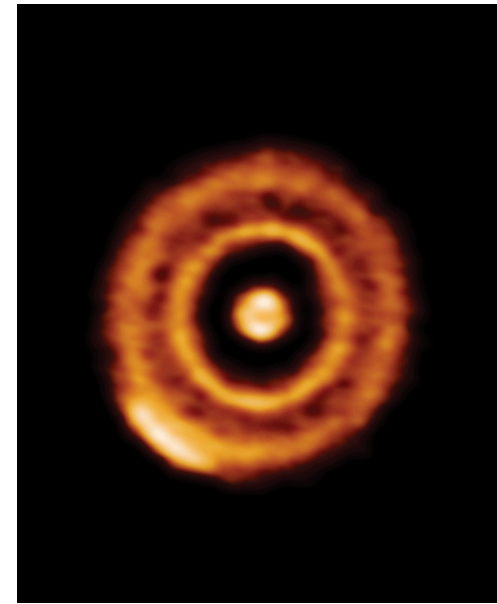
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Outline

1. Initial chemical conditions for planet formation?
2. Peering through the dust!
3. The chemistry of life: Organics
4. Follow the water (and ammonia)

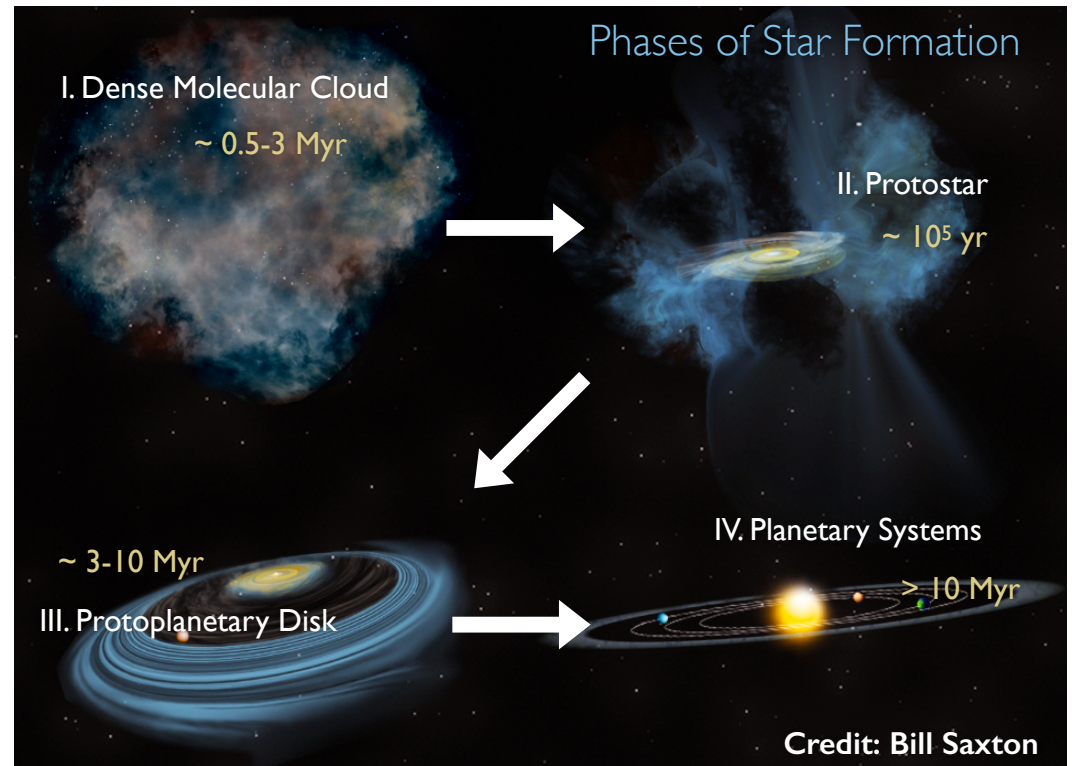


HD 143006
DSHARP
(PI Andrews)



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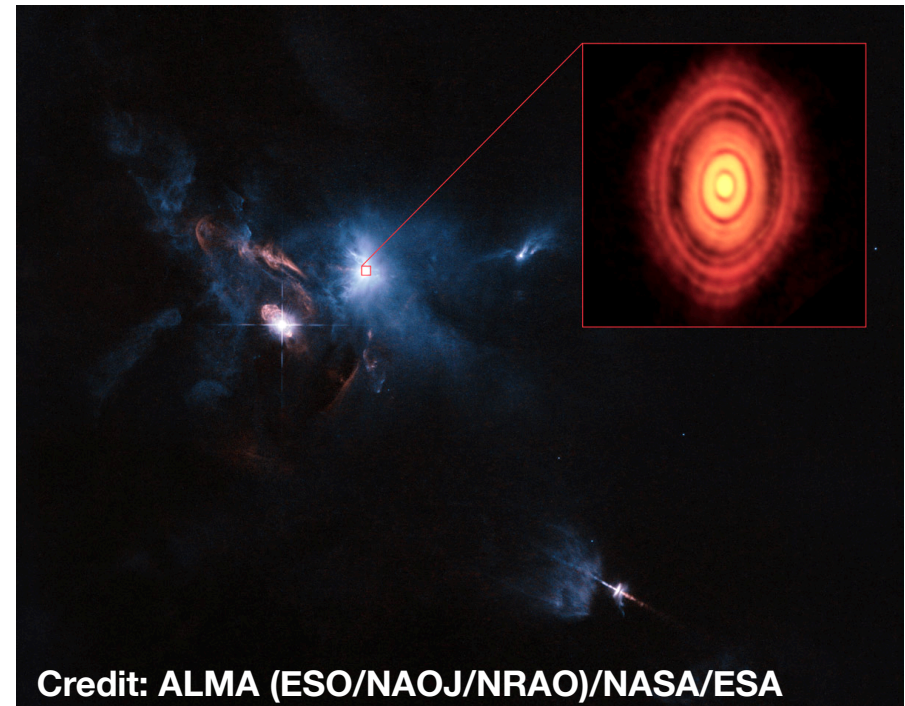
Historically a divide between protostellar and protoplanetary stages, and it has been unclear how much "legacy" is maintained.





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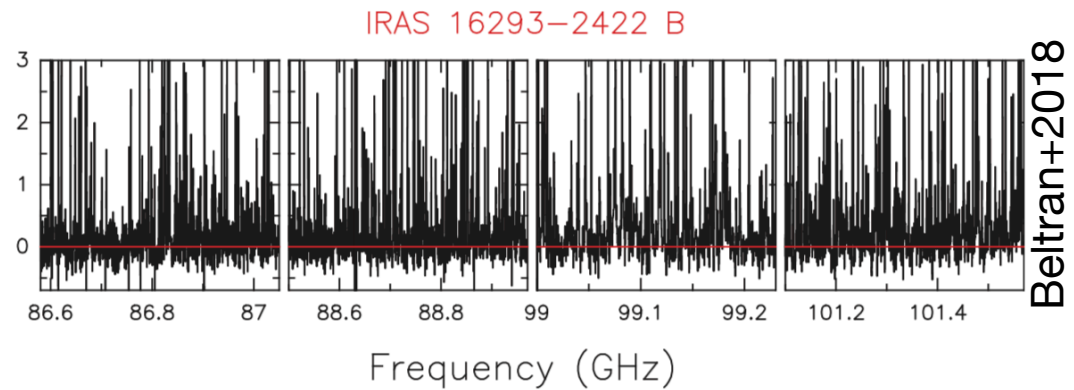
- HL Tau, highly ringed, but a Class I object!
- If planets, very little time for chemical evolution
- 67/P similar to IRAS 16293 (Drozdovskaya+2018)
- At least half of Earth's ocean water originally primordial (Cleeves+2014)





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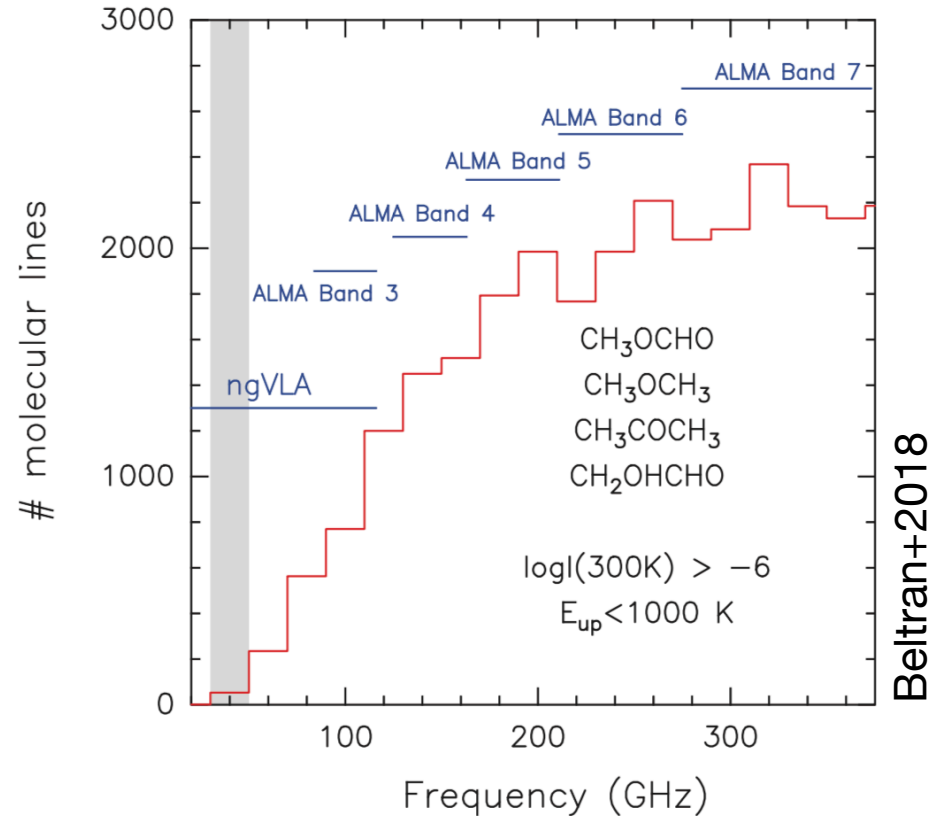
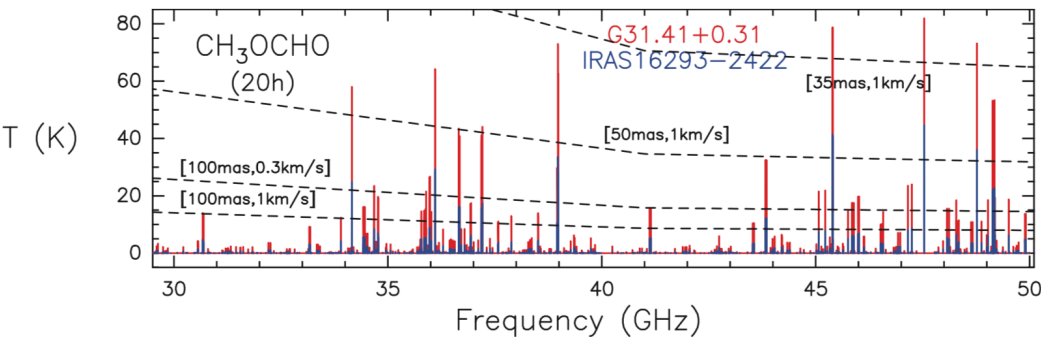
- Important to study the chemistry of interstellar clouds (e.g., McGuire+2018, Beltran+2018 ngVLA chapters)
- At ALMA wavelengths, even Band 3, hampered by line confusion



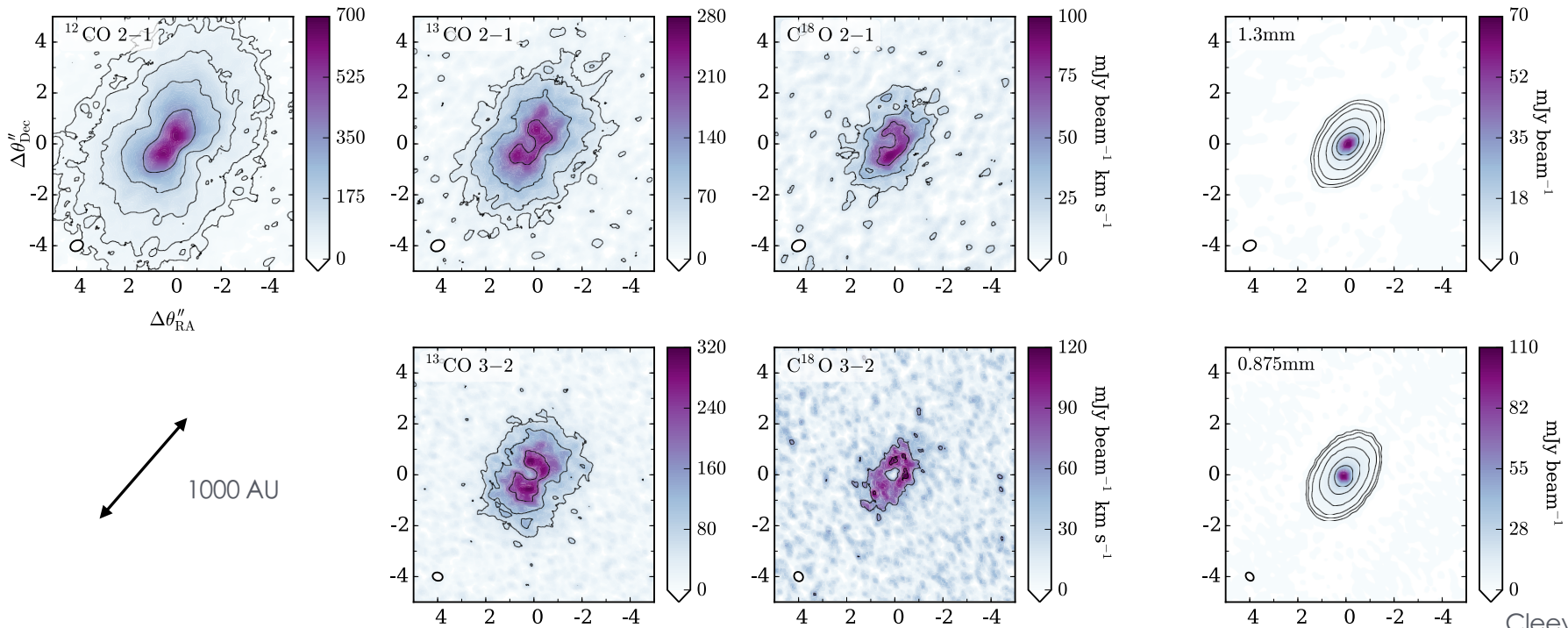


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The sensitivity + lower line density enables better line classification, abundance determination.

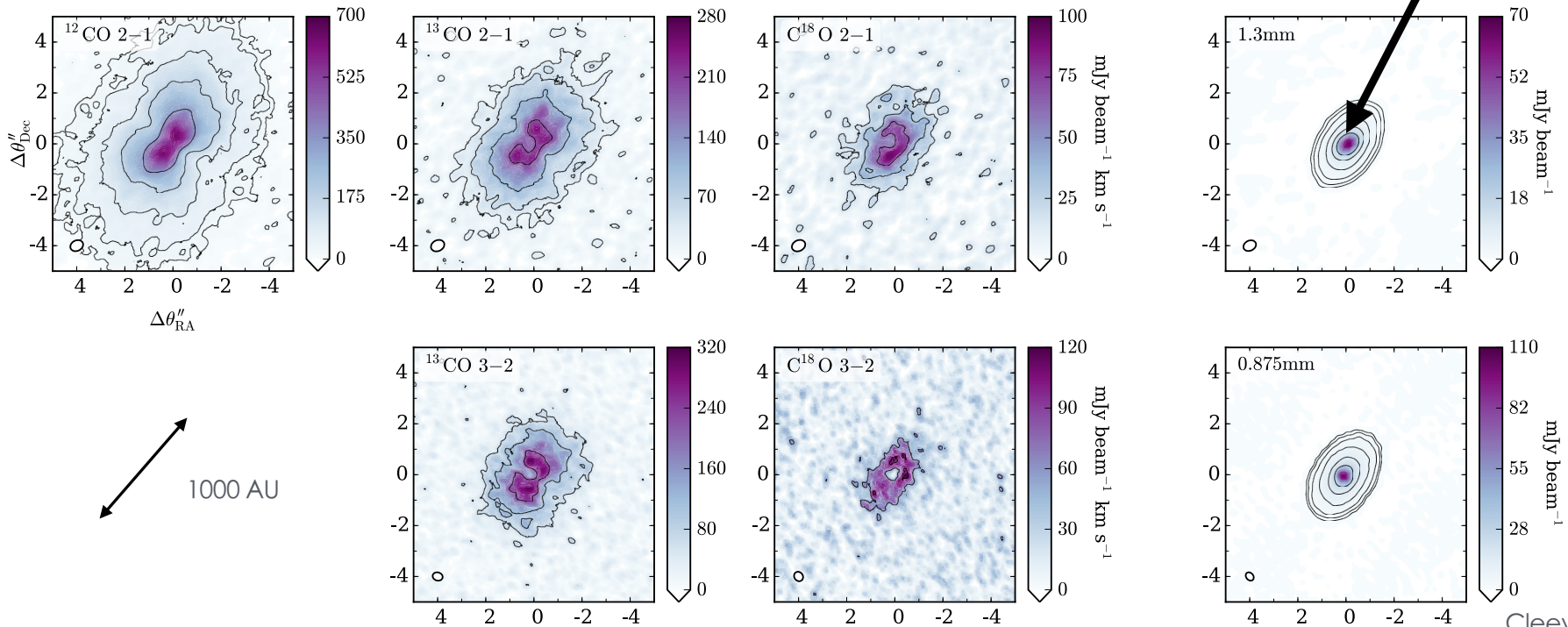


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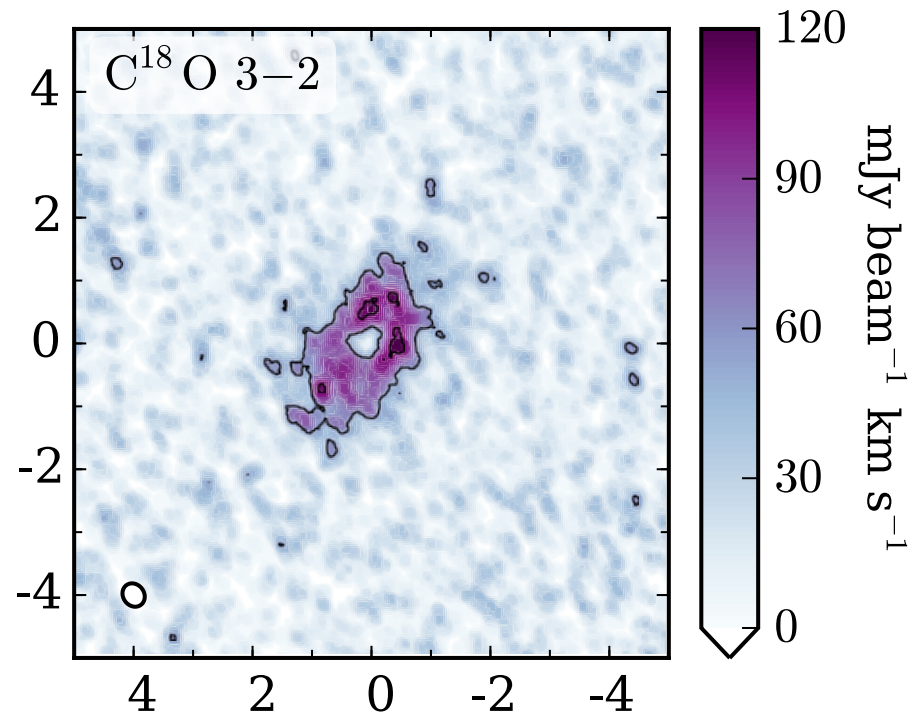


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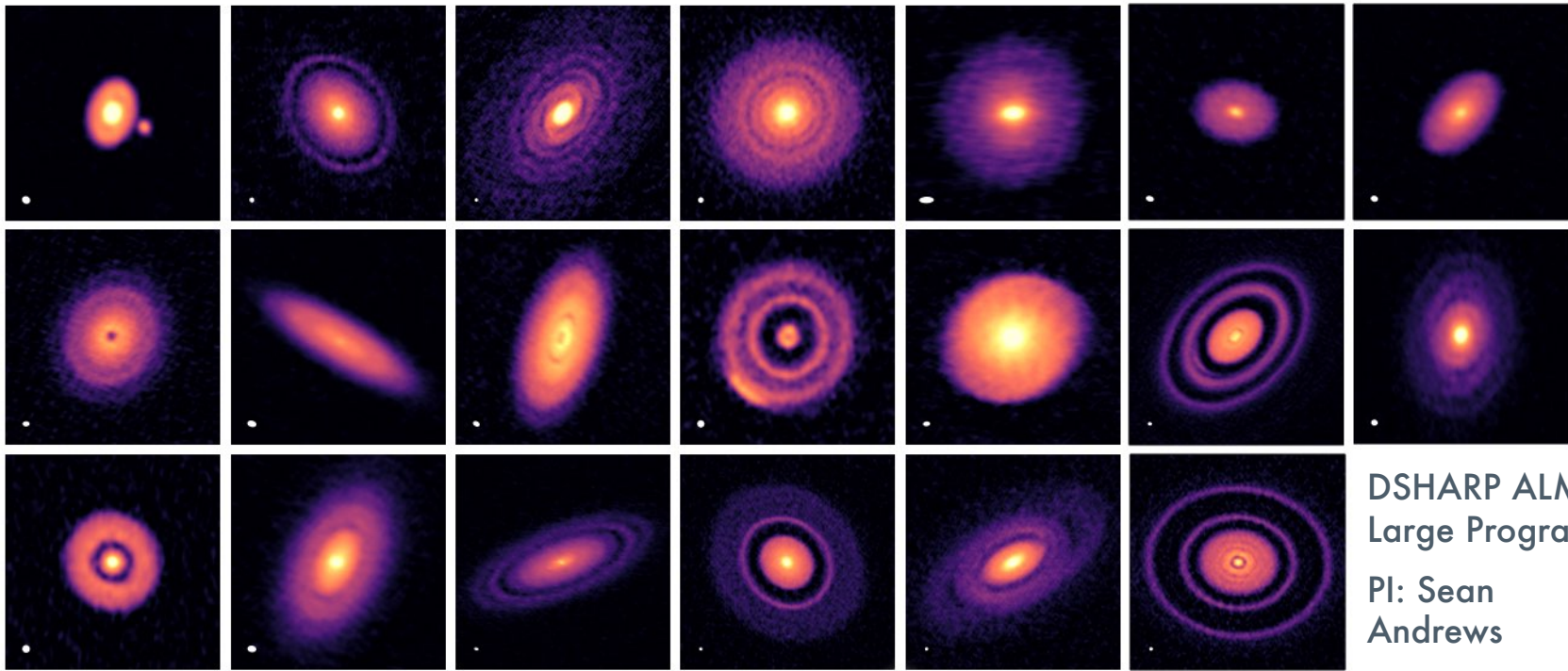
IM Lup: continuum is impacting *all* lines observed, and the hole is deeper in the optically thin gas tracers.



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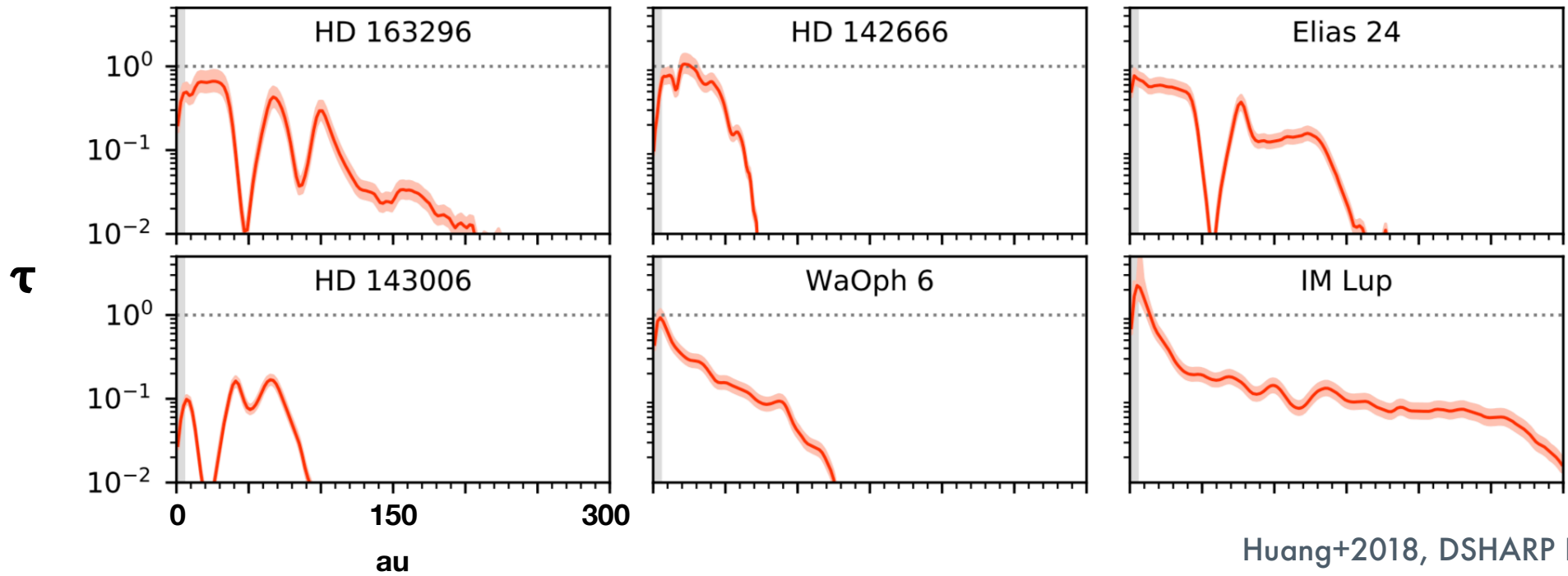
DSHARP ALMA
Large Program

PI: Sean
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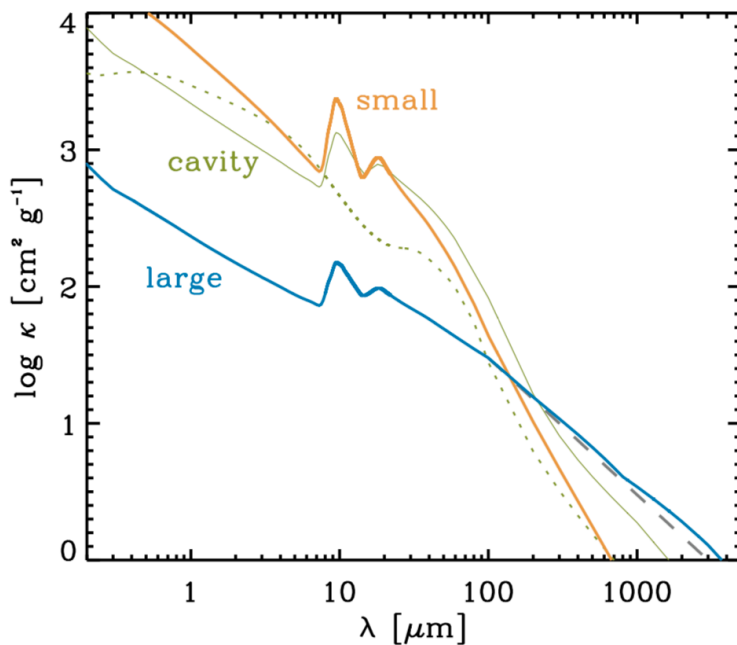


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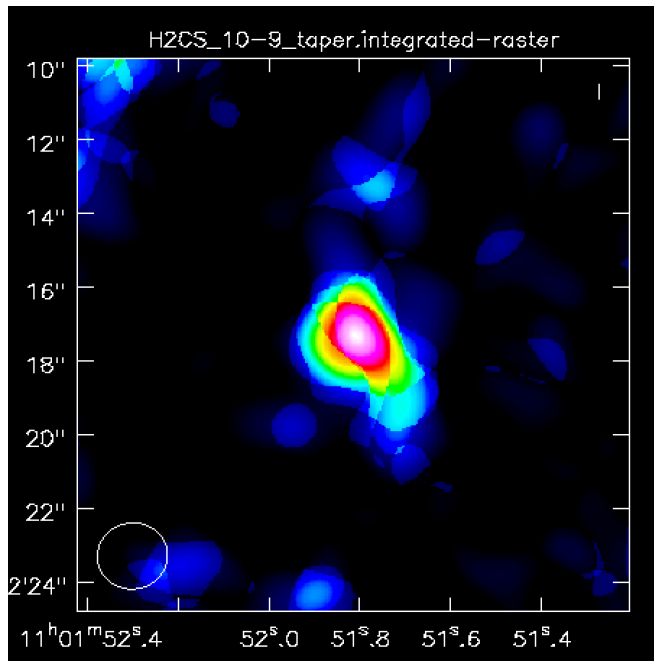
Huang+2018, DSHARP II

2) Peering through the dust



- Using standard disk midplane opacities, up to mm sized (e.g., Andrews+2011)
- ~2.5-3x difference in absorption cross section from 1.25 to 3 mm. Gets us out of optically thick for many of the disks, though not all.

2) Peering through the dust



Kama+in prep

- With sufficient line sensitivity, then there are a host of small molecules that emit
- CS J=1-0 @ 48.99 GHz
- OCS J=1-0 @ 12 GHz (1-0)
 - Or J=4-3 at 48.65 GHz (similar $E_u \sim 5$ K)
- H₂CS 2₁₂ - 1₁₁ @ 67.654 GHz
- Many transitions of c-C₃H₂, C₂H 1-0 HF at ~ 87 GHz

3) Organics in disks

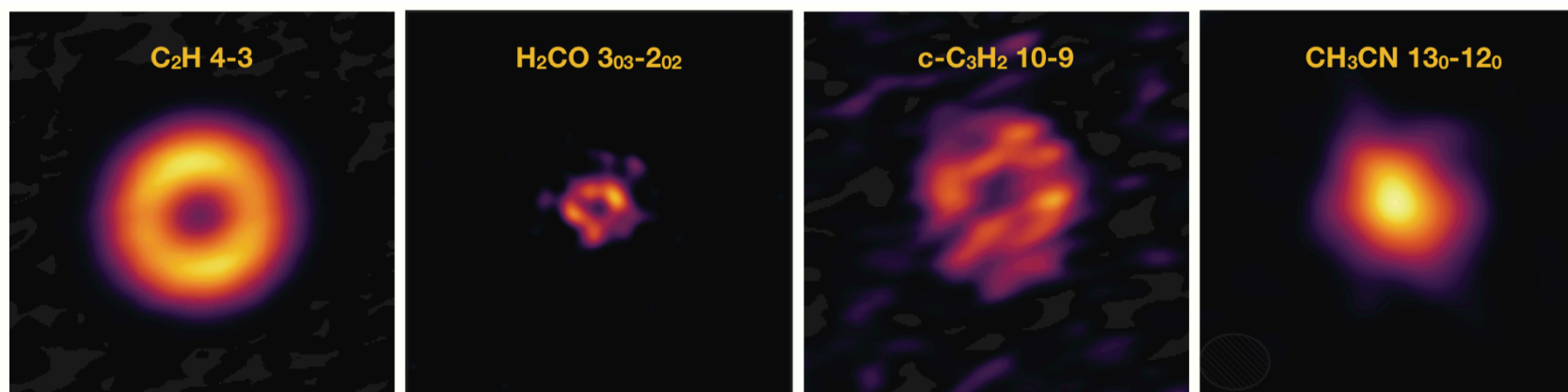


Figure 1. ALMA observations of small and mid-sized organics in the disk around nearby T Tauri star TW Hya. C_2H and $c-C_3H_2$ observations are from Bergin et al. (2016), H_2CO from Öberg et al. (2017) and CH_3CN from Loomis et al. (2018a). Each panel is $\sim 5'' \times 5''$ and spatial resolutions span $0''.4 - 0''.8$

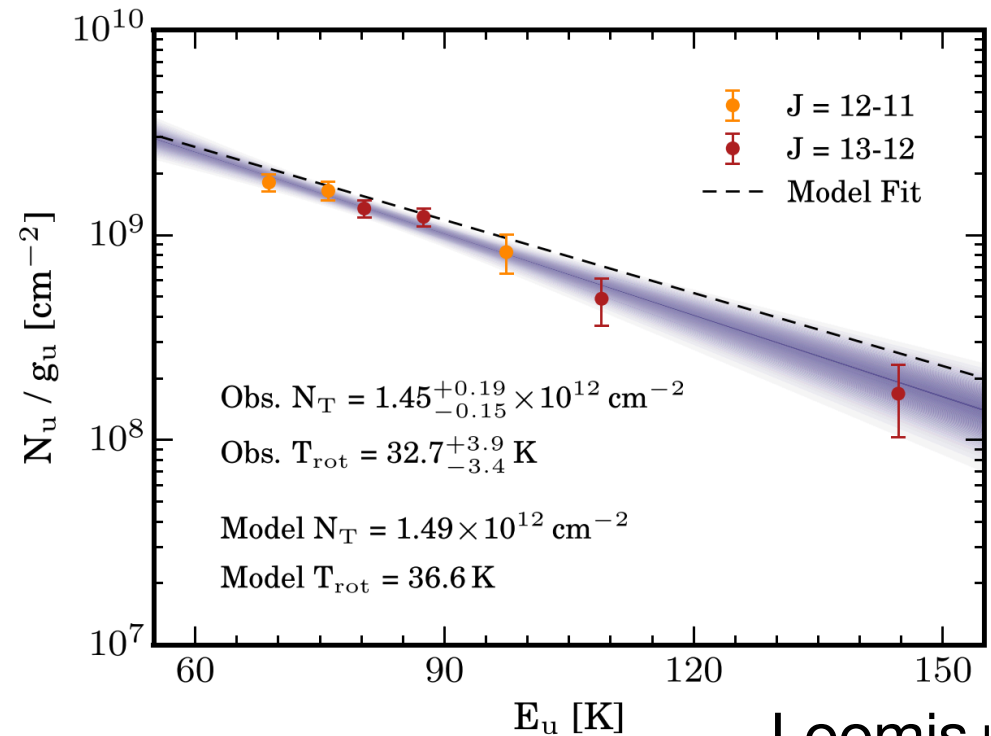


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- On going debate, do organic ices desorb whole or fragment upon UV absorption? (see also discussion of Ligterink+2018)
- Only products of VUV ice processing were directly detected (H_2 , CO , and CH_4) leading to an upper limit of $< 3 \times 10^{-5}$ molecules photon⁻¹ photodesorption of intact methanol (see Cruz-Diaz+2016, Bertin+2016).
- Cold organic observations help, Loomis+2018 and in prep.

3) Organics in disks

- ALMA showing cold organics, CH₃CN rotational diagram, two transitions, full k-ladder for each.
- A few beams, temperature profile derived, ~flat



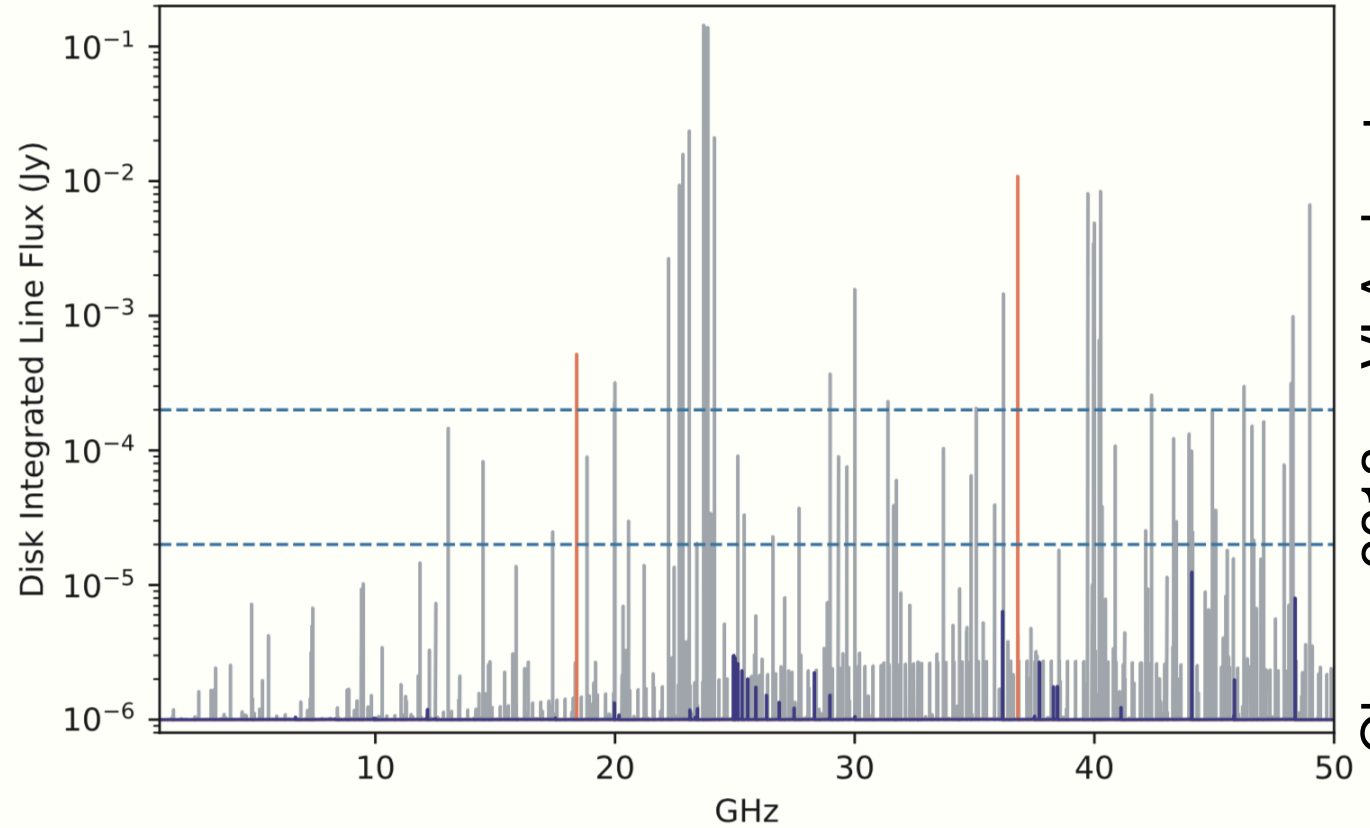
Loomis+2018



3) Organics in disks

Predicted TW Hya spectra at cm λ .

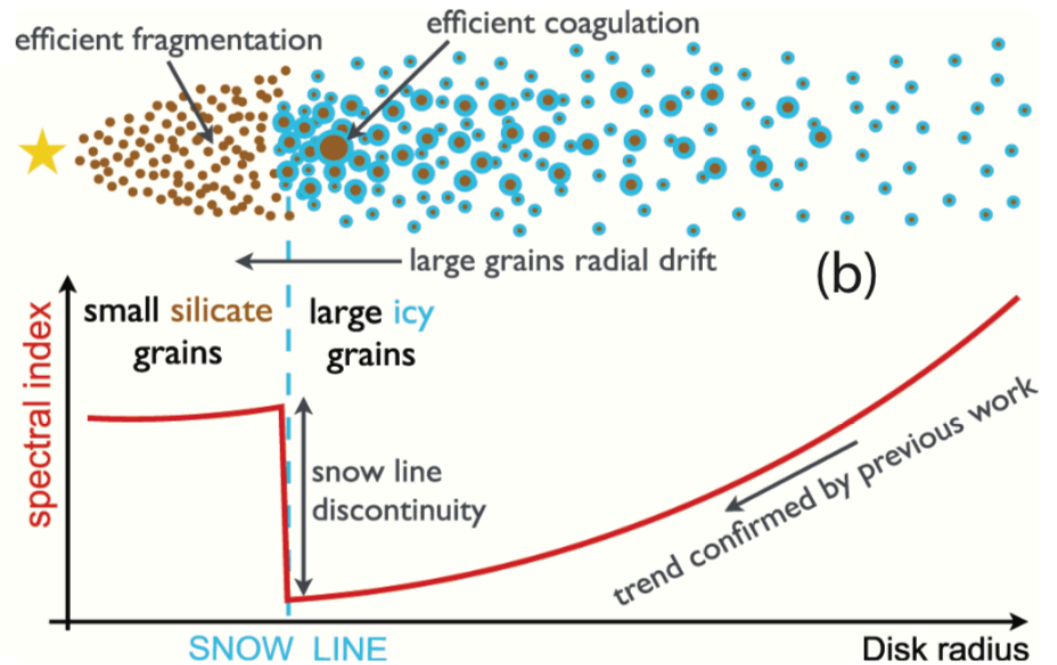
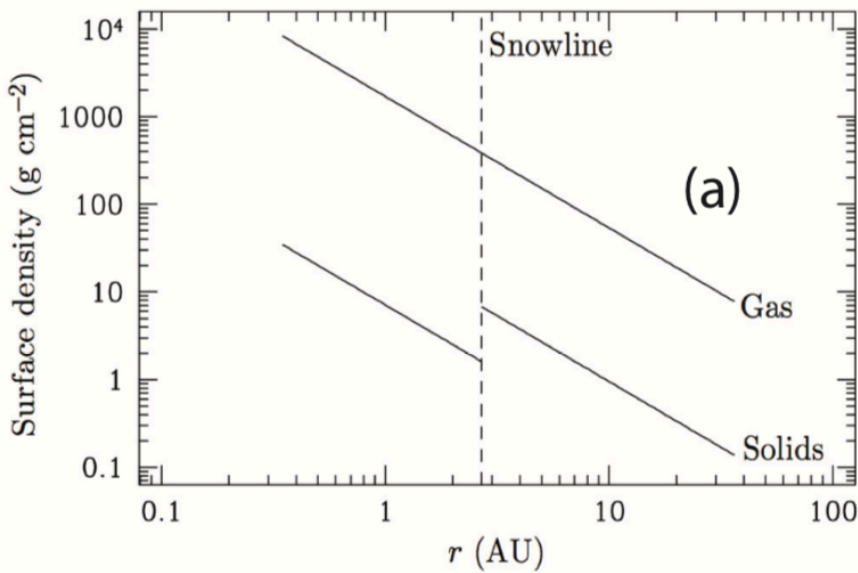
Using Cleeves+15 TW Hya model output and **Splatalogue** with **astropy**+**astroquery**



Oberg+2018 ngVLA chapter



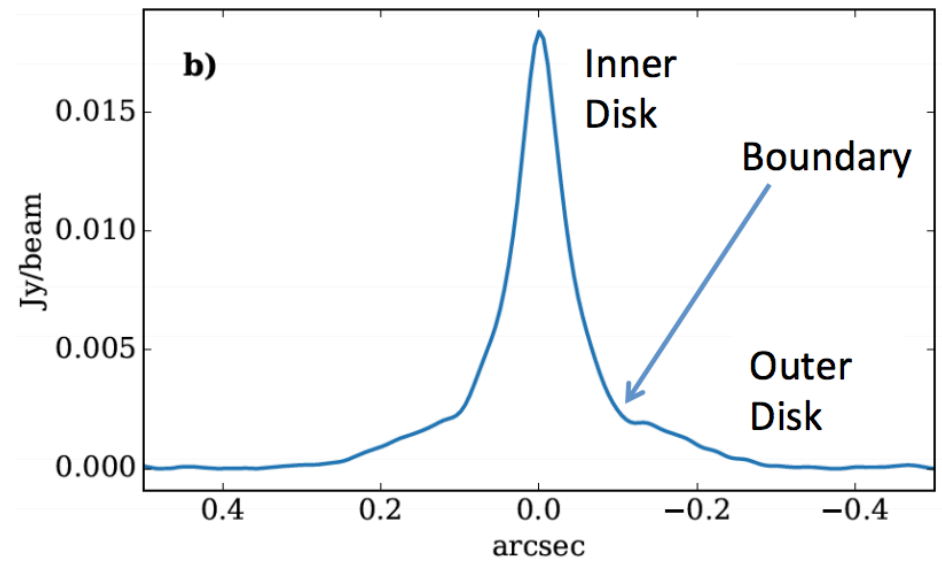
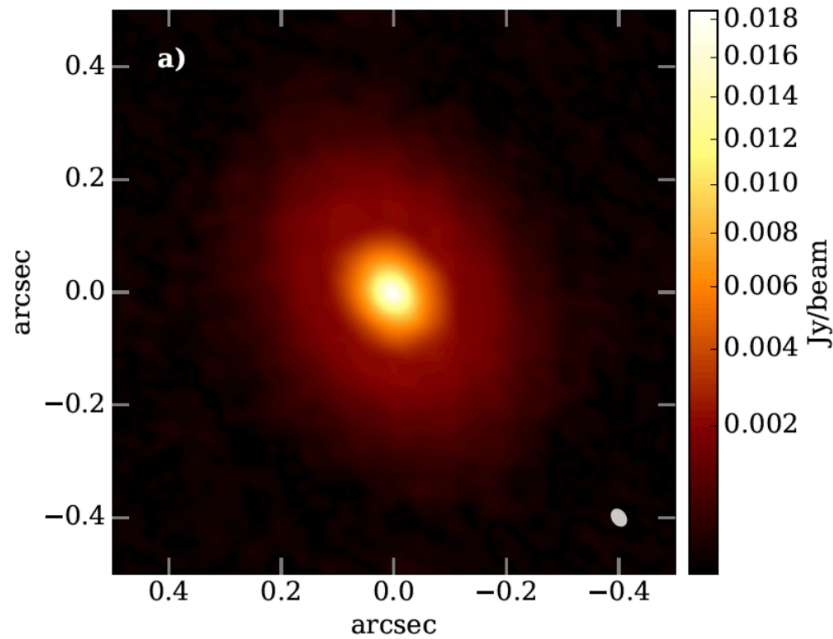
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V883 Ori



Cieza+2016, Nature





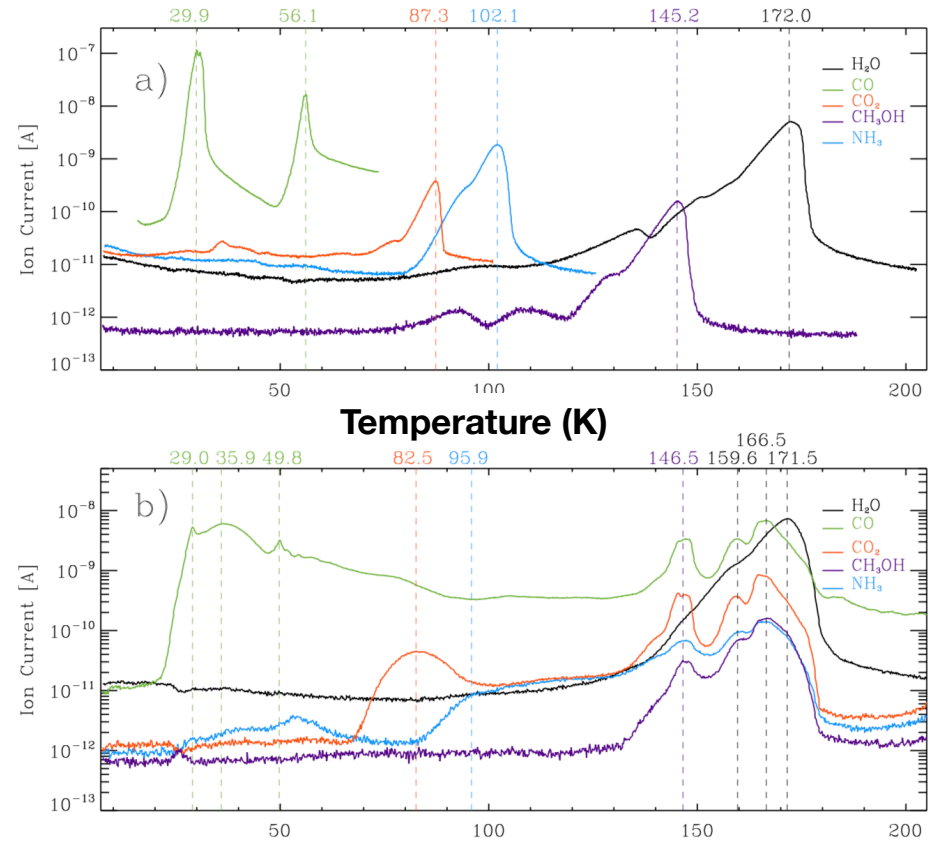
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However continuum substructure is everywhere, what is water or not?

An alternative is to use NH_3

While pure H_2O and NH_3 ices have different binding energies (Collings+2004)

Mixed ices desorb together!

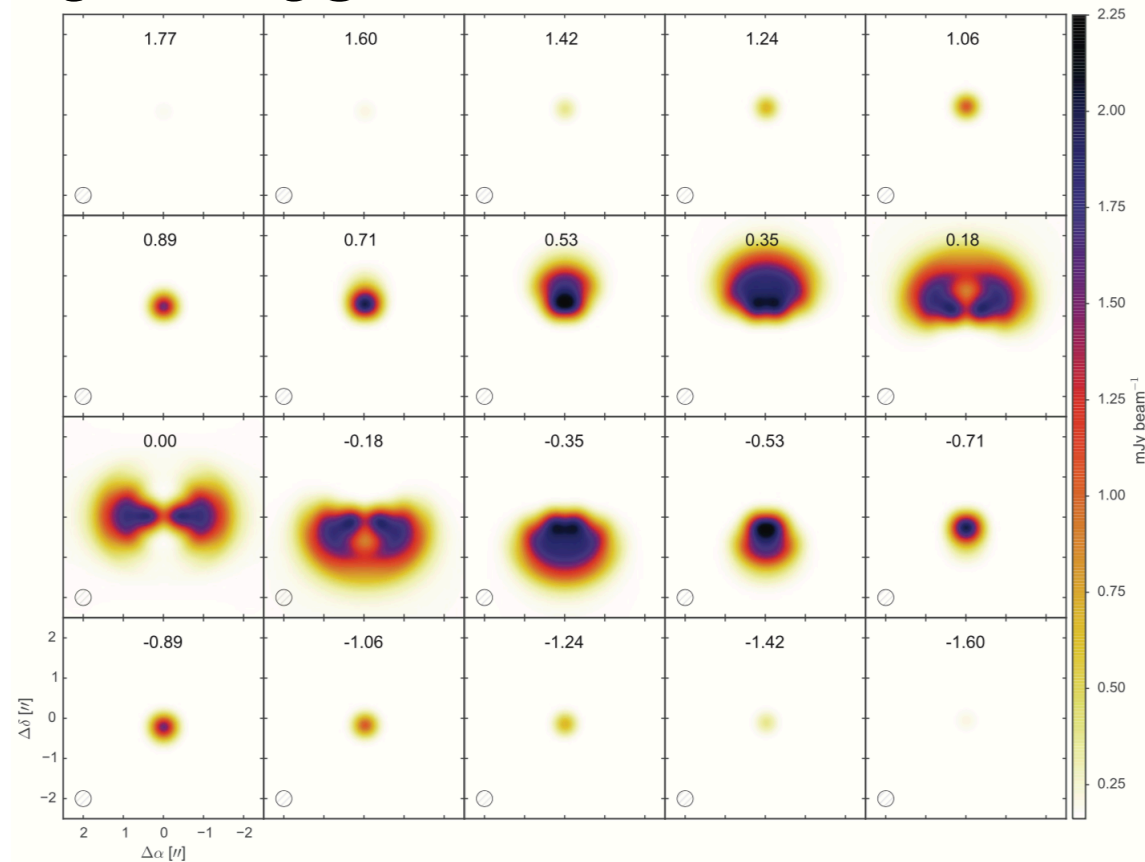




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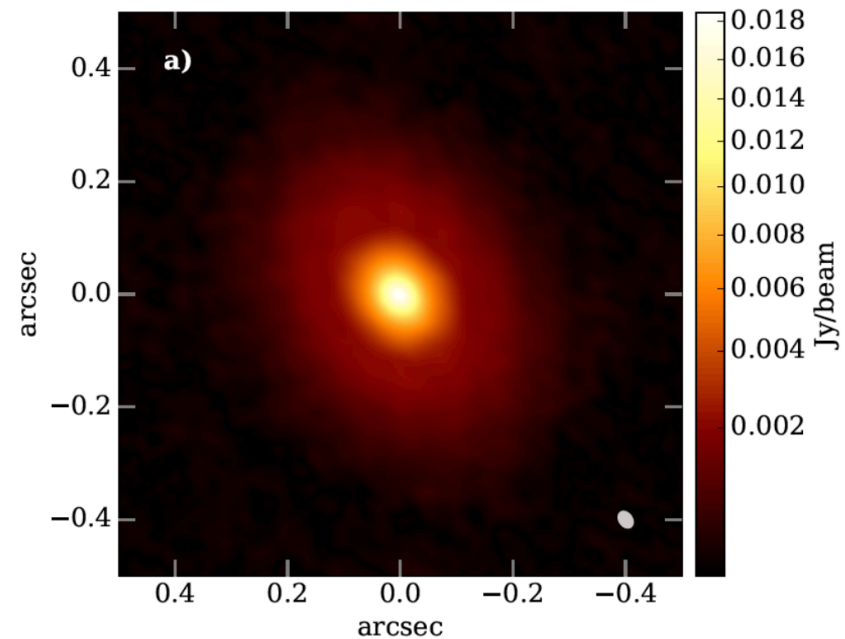
Zhang+2018 ngVLA chapter, predictions for NH_3 detectability toward TW Hya.

Going to be challenging.
Requires ~ 0.25 mJy/beam in 0.2 km/s channels for TW Hya



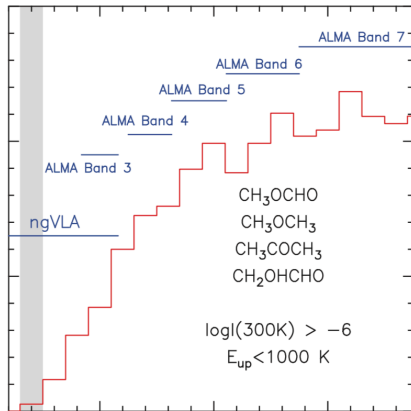
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- However we'll get a first order 'proof of context' soon
- PI: Tobin A-ranked VLA proposal to detect NH₃ toward outbursting V883 Ori
- $\sim 1e-6$ NH₃ / H abundance detectable in ~ 30 h

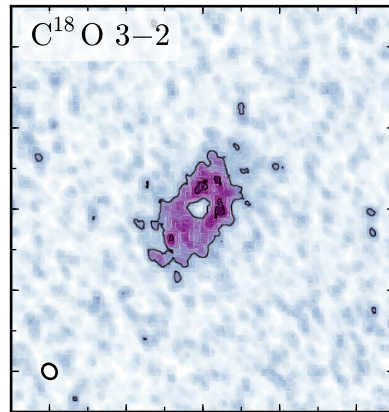




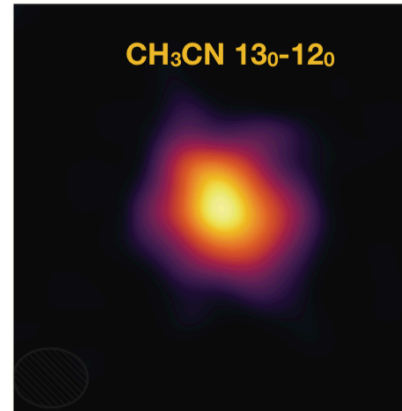
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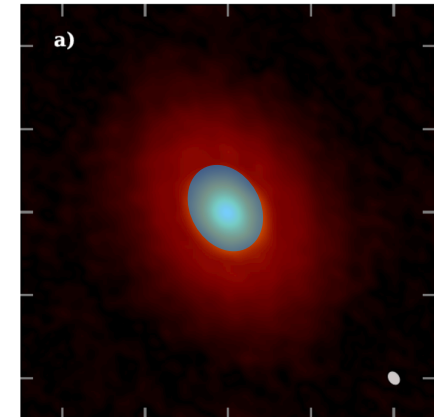
Chemistry of the cloud informs initial chemistry of the disk



Probing the chemistry of < 10 AU, C/O ratios through sulfur bearing species?



Testing out cold organic chemistry in disks, much work in lab + model + observations



Seeking water snow line using NH3 (also possible with continuum)

+ much more!



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