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***The ALMA-UNIC Large Program:
a new frontier for the CRs study in massive
star-forming regions***

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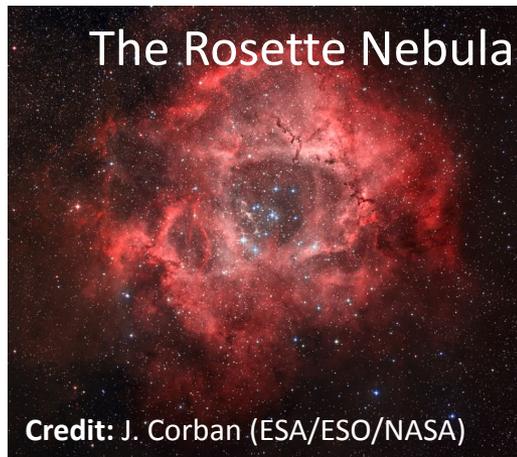


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Credit: E. Schisano, G. Li Causi (ESA/Hi-GAL Project)

The Rosette Nebula



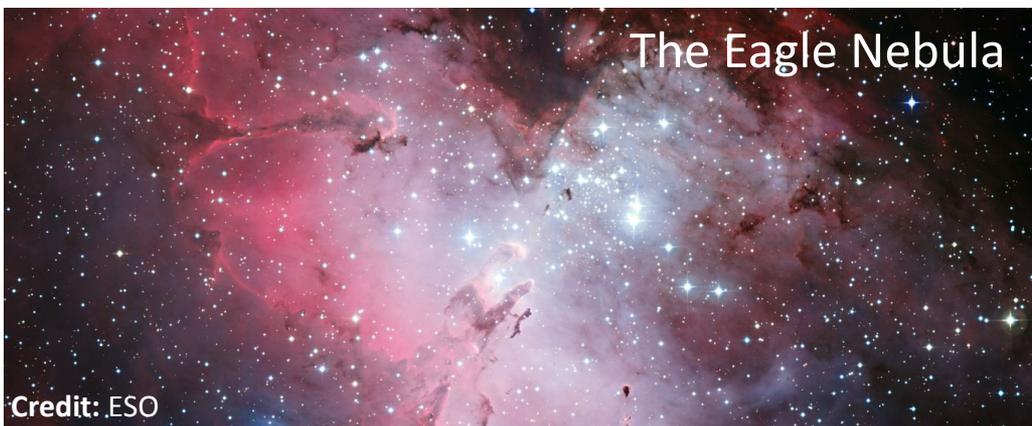
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NGC3324



Credit: ESO

The Eagle Nebula



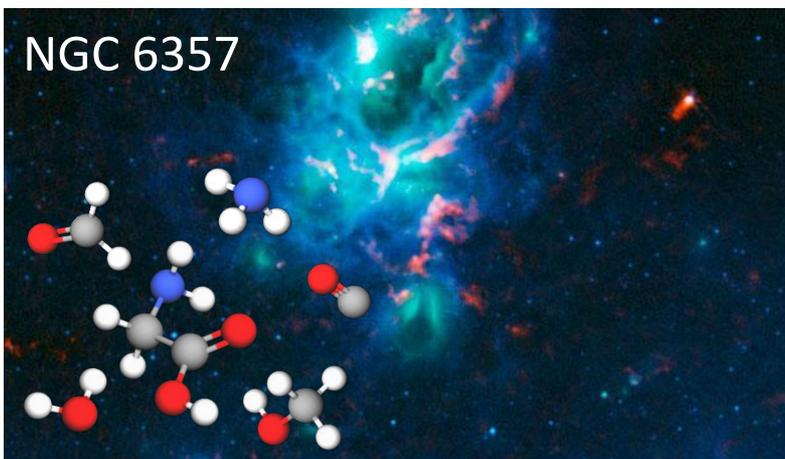
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The Orion Nebula

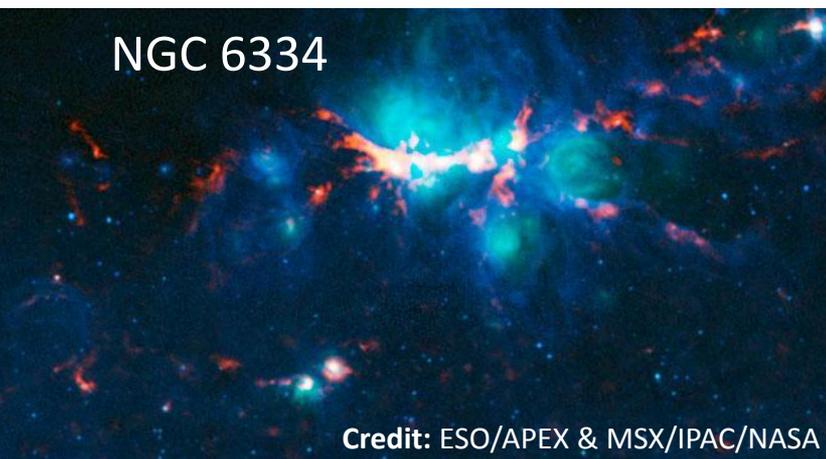


Credit: H. Drass et al. (ESA)

NGC 6357



NGC 6334



Credit: ESO/APEX & MSX/IPAC/NASA

High-mass stars - ATLASGAL overview

- Why HMS are difficult to be observed?

(i) Rare $N(1M_{\odot})/N(15M_{\odot}) \sim 60$

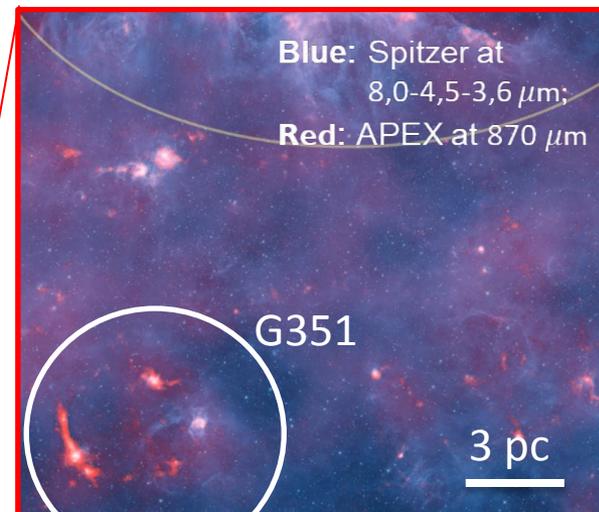
(ii) Formed in clusters

(iii) Fast evolution

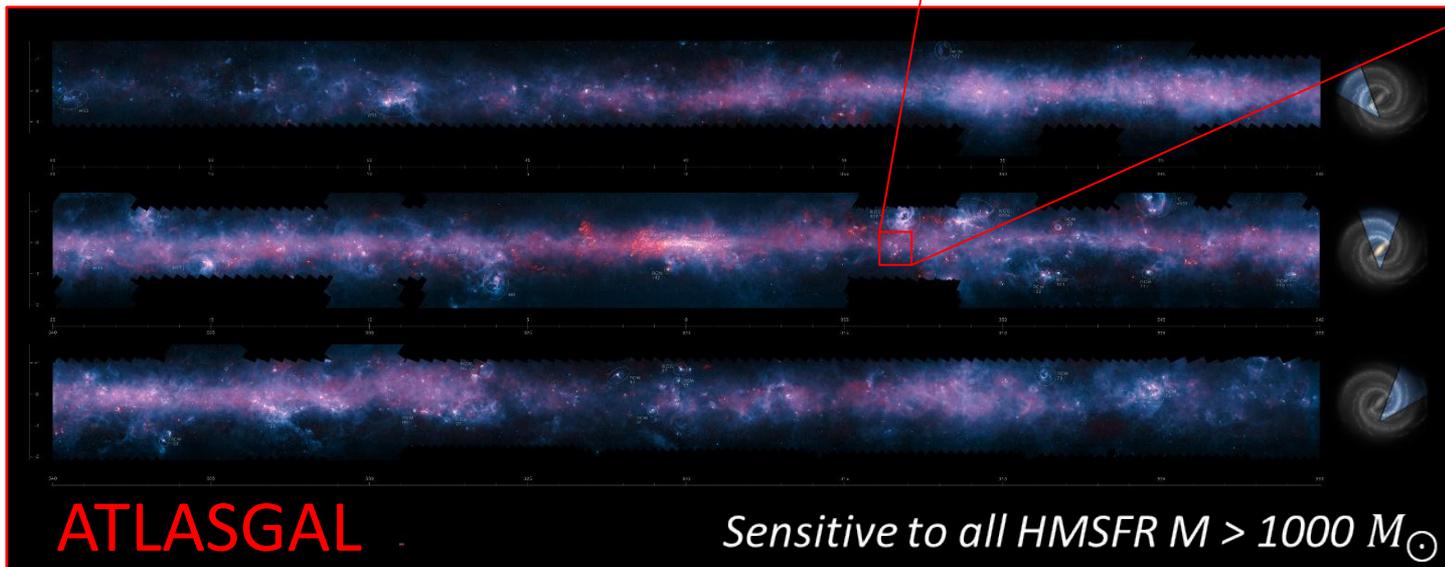
$$t_{\text{MS},1M_{\odot}} / t_{\text{MS},15M_{\odot}} \sim 10^3;$$

(iv) Embedded in dusty envelopes ($A_V > 10$)

(Schuller+09)



(140°x3° on the galactic plane)

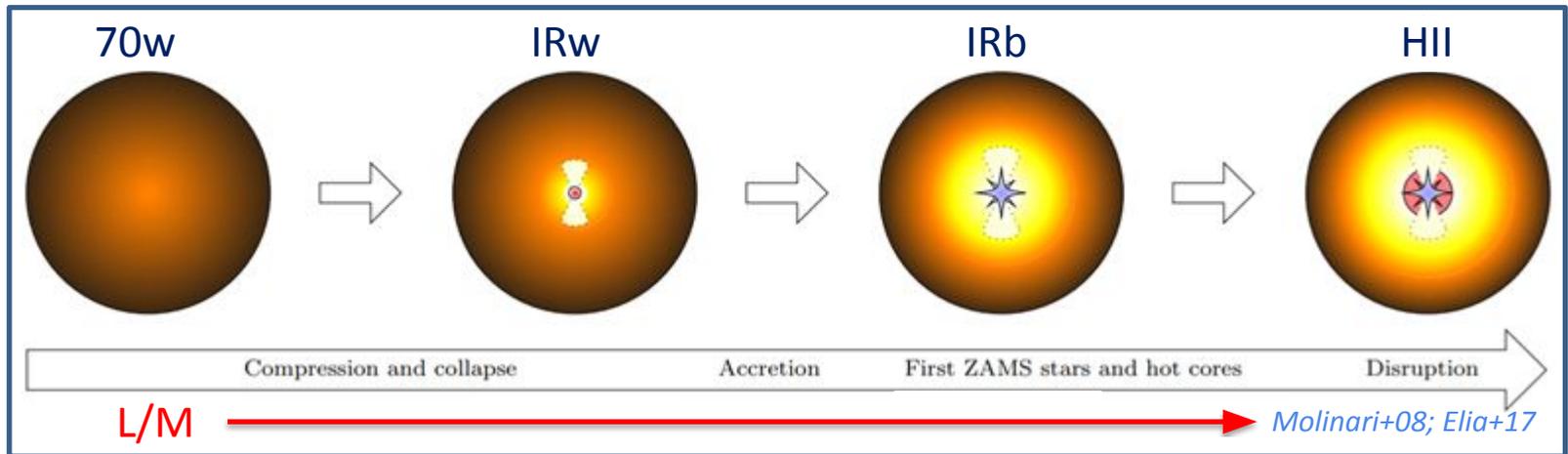


APEX Telescope Large Area Survey of the Galaxy

ATLASGAL: evolutionary stages

Observational evolutionary sequence

(Giannetti+17; König+17)



1. 70μm-weak stage

clumps are formed

- Dark at 70 and 24 μm;
- $L/M \lesssim 2 L_{\odot} M_{\odot}^{-1}$;

2. IR-weak stage

forming massive YSO embryos

- Bright at 70 μm and dark at 24 μm;
- $2 \lesssim L/M \lesssim 10 L_{\odot} M_{\odot}^{-1}$;

3. IR-bright stage

contraction and nucleosynthesis

- Bright at 70 and 24 μm;
- $10 \lesssim L/M \lesssim 40 L_{\odot} M_{\odot}^{-1}$;

4. HII stage

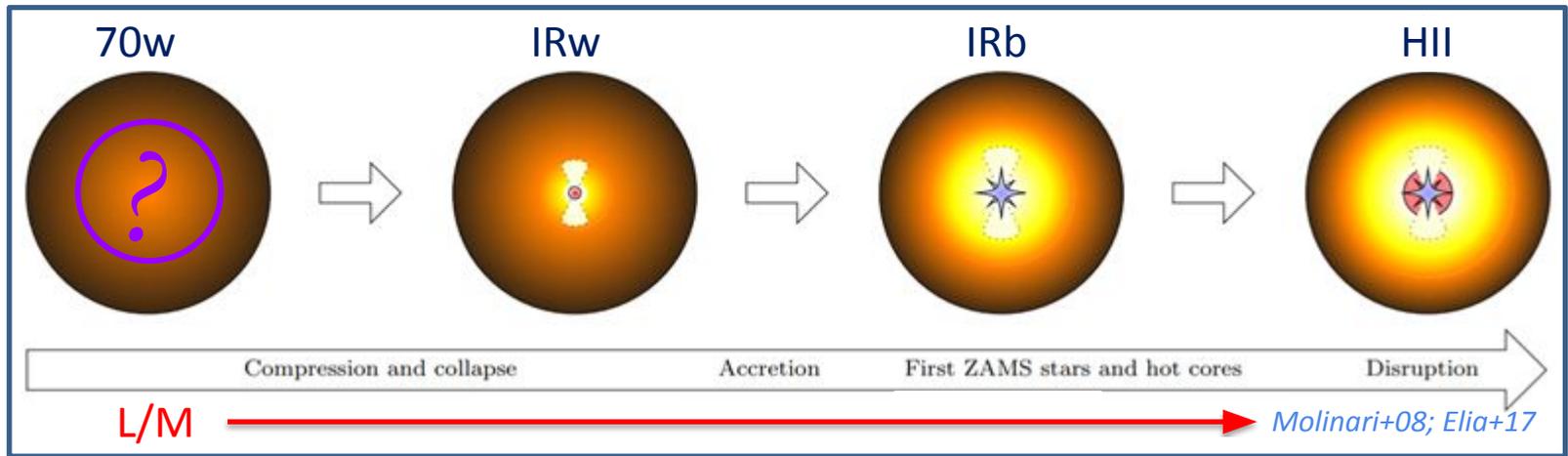
Dispersion of the parent clump

- Also detected in radio continuum
- $L/M \gtrsim 40 L_{\odot} M_{\odot}^{-1}$;

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(Some) Relevant open questions

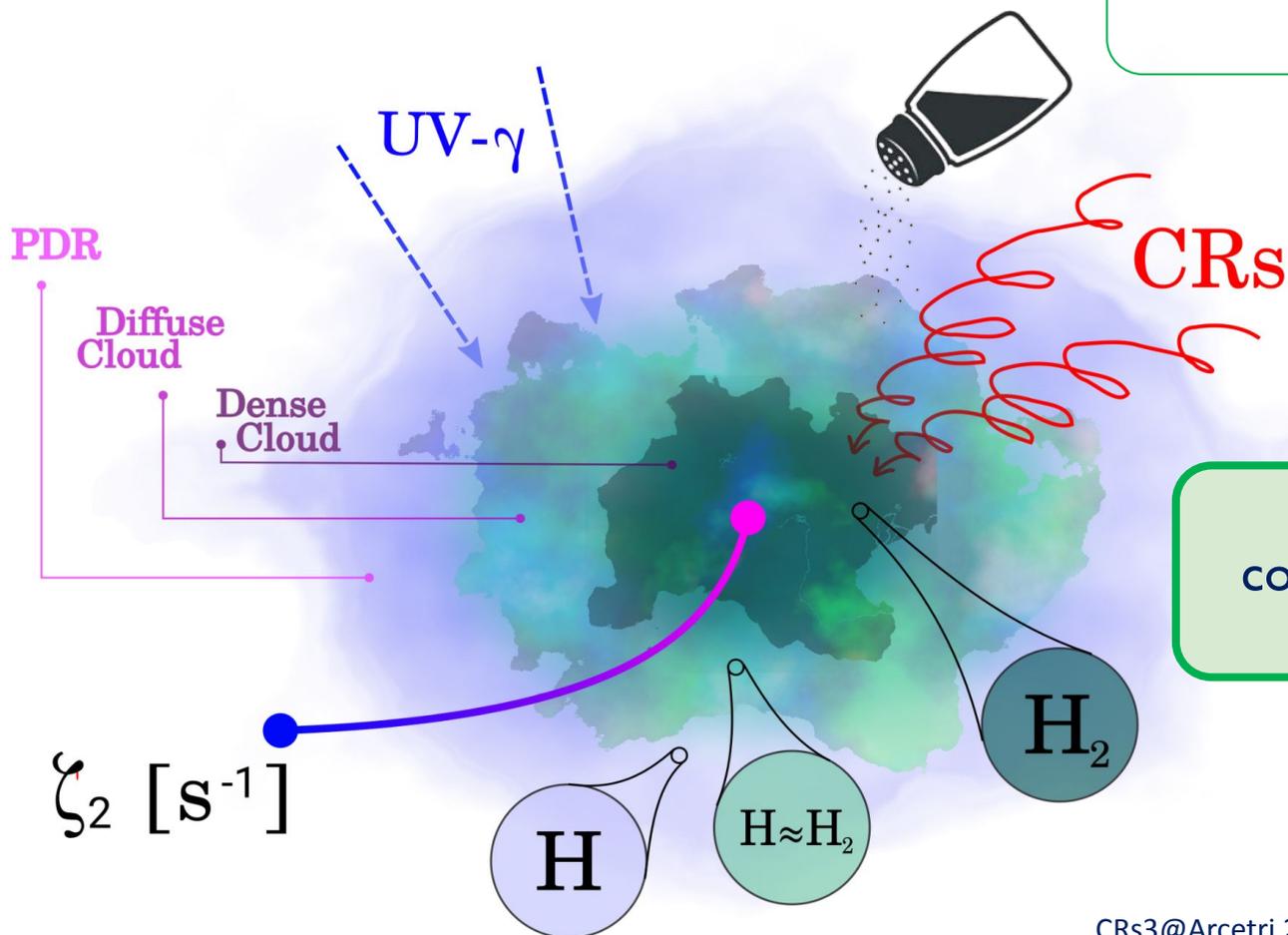
- ❑ How/when/where are HMSs formed?
- ❑ Are there any observational evidence for HMPCs?
- ❑ Typical chemical/physical properties of the core population in high-mass clumps? e.g. M_{core} , R_{core} , $N(\text{H}_2)$, $n(\text{H}_2)$, α , PPV structures, ζ^{ion} ...)
- ❑ Can we reproduce these properties with cutting-edge simulations?



CRs and Star Formation

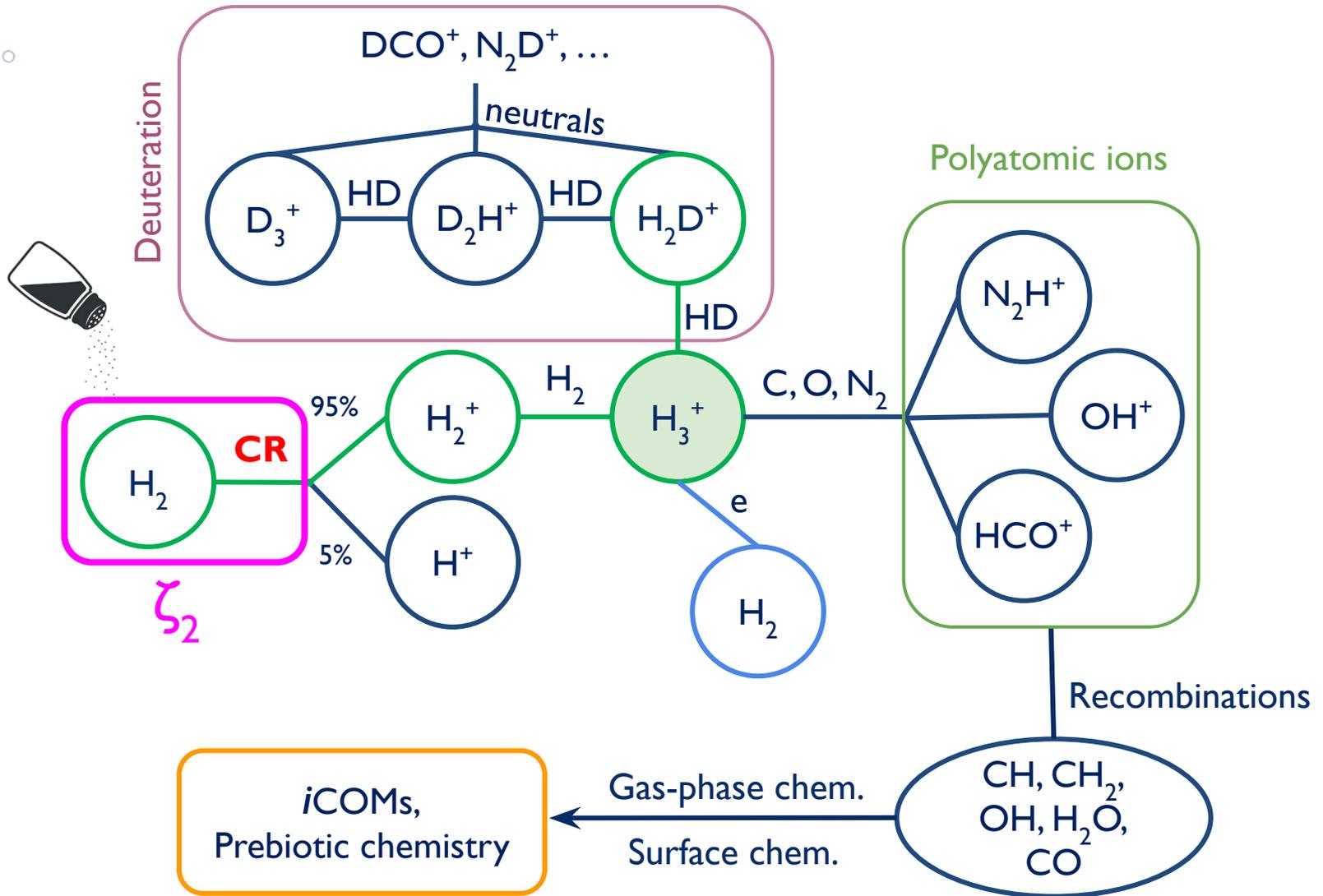
Mechanisms driving the cloud collapse

Dust physics



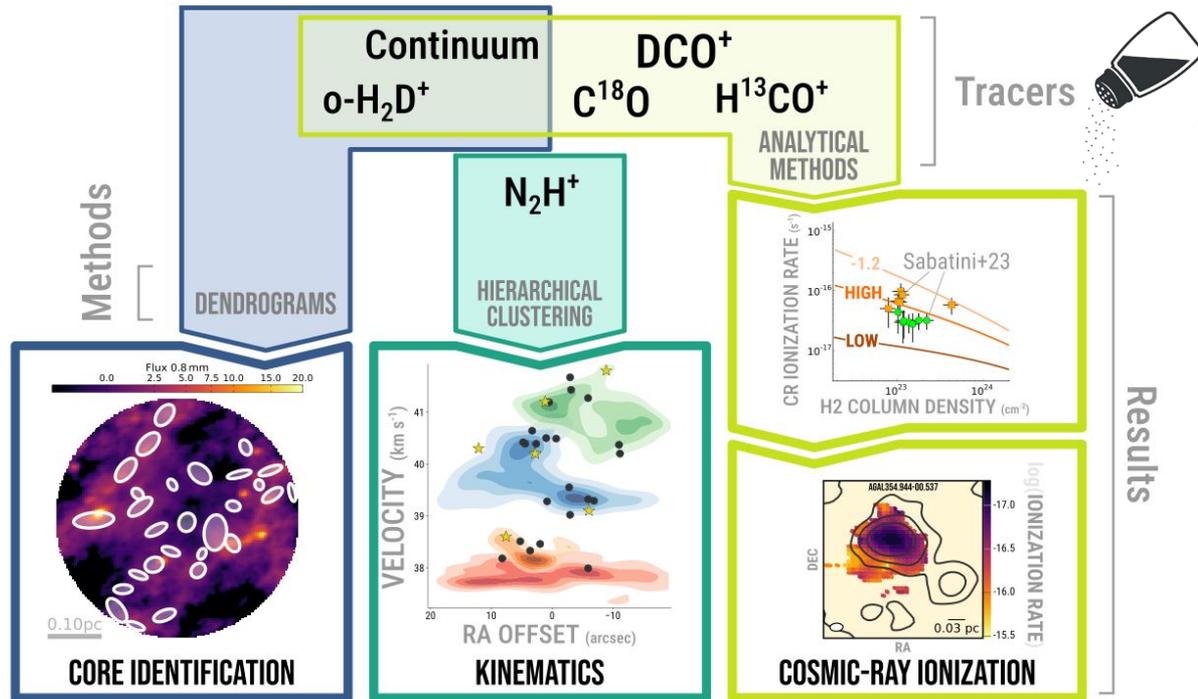
Chemical complexity in the ISM

CRs: the dawn of chemistry



(e.g. Ceccarelli+14, +22 and refs therein)

ALMA UNIC Large Programm



- **Targets:** 10 massive ($>300 M_{\odot}$) young ($70\mu\text{m}$ -dark or weak) ATLASGAL clumps
- 82h of Main Array
320h of ACA
650h of ALMA-TP
- **Bands:** 3, 6 & 7
- **Resolution:** 2000-3000 AU

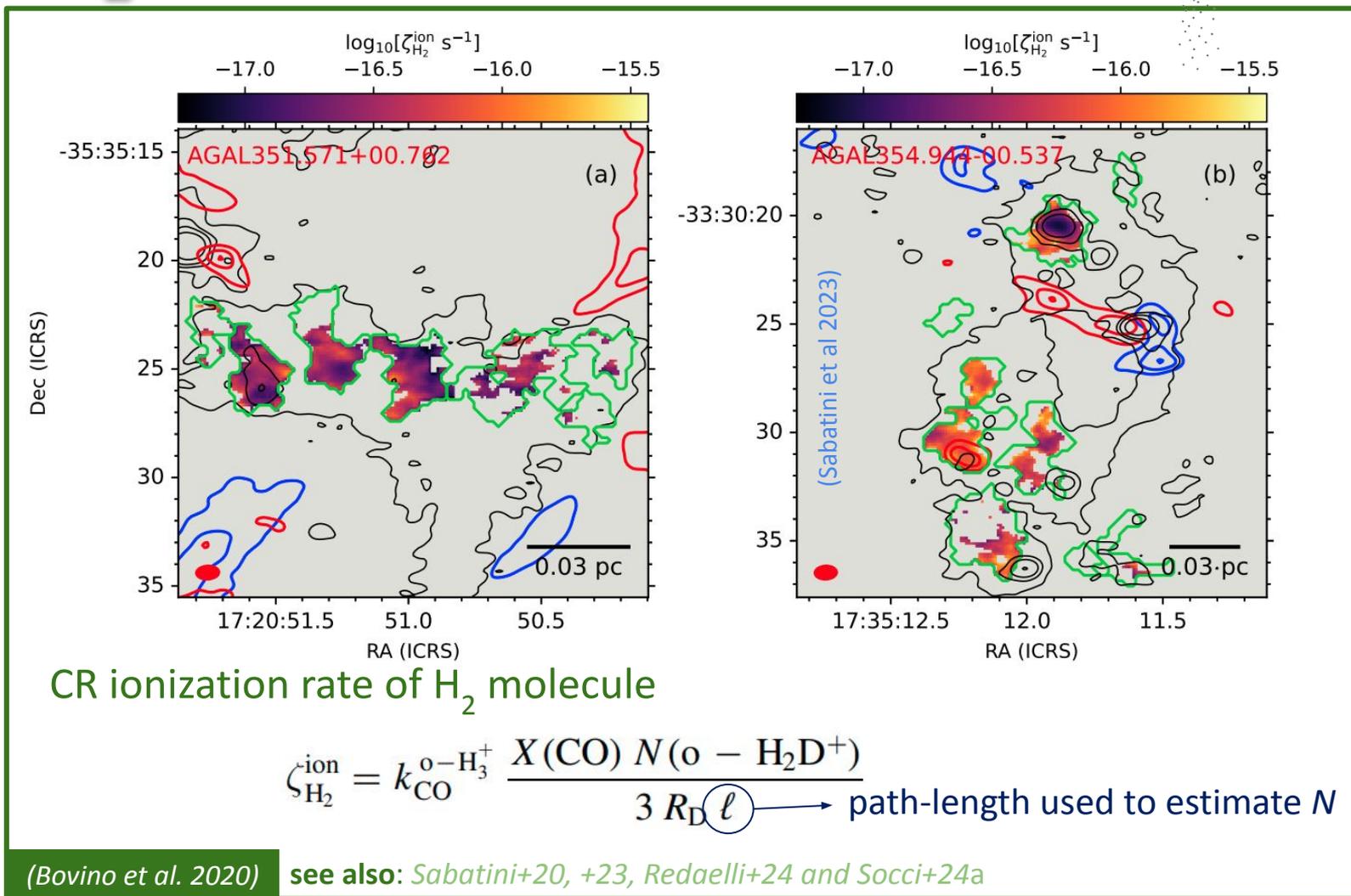
UNveiling the Initial Conditions of high-mass star formation (UNIC) - ALMA Cycle-10

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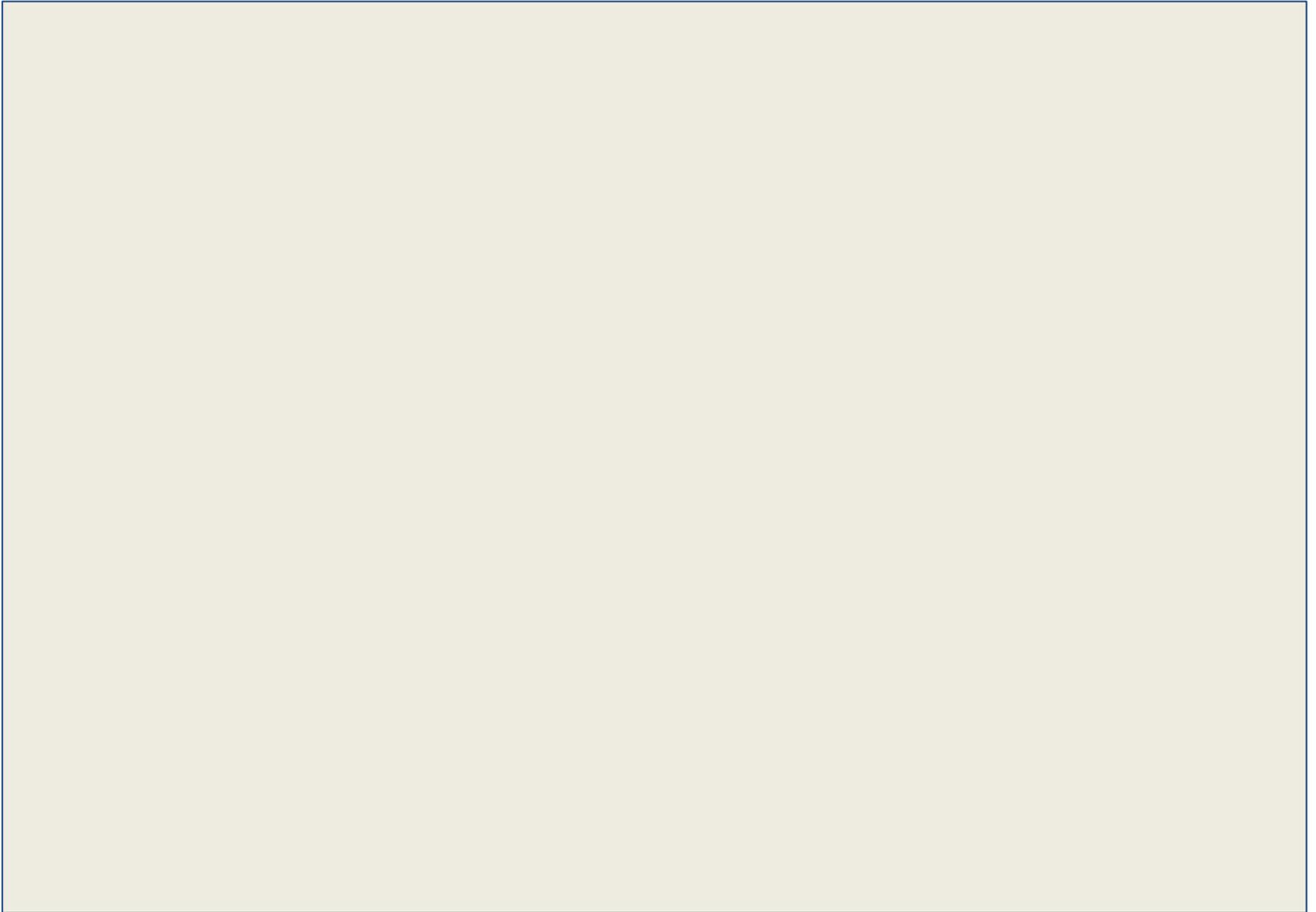


ζ_2 maps with ALMA-UNIC

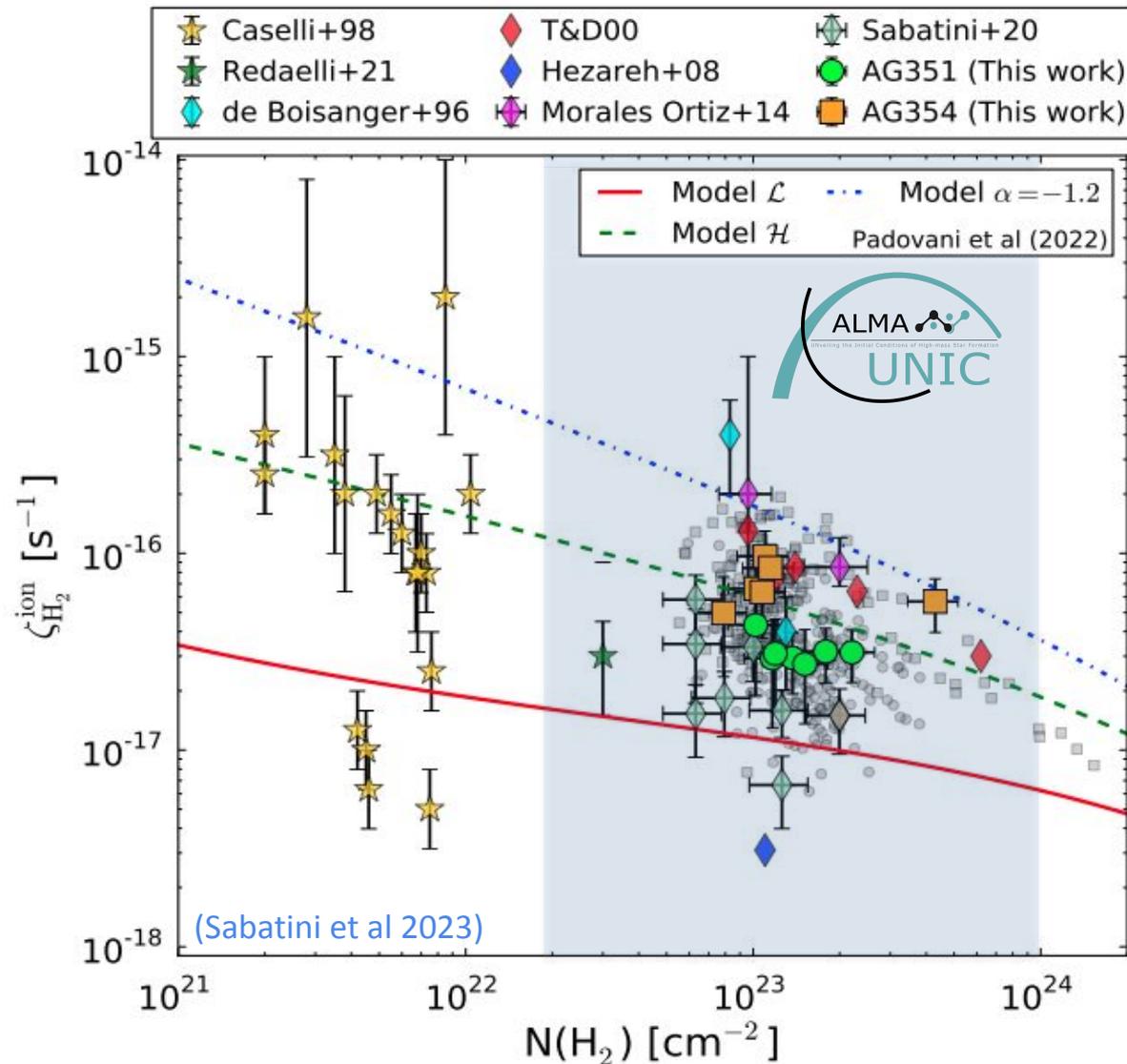


- **More methods by:** Guélin+77, Caselli+98, Pineda+24a (DCO^+ , HCO^+ , CO), Ceccarelli+14, Redaelli+21b (HCO^+ , N_2H^+ , N_2D^+), Luo+24 (HCO^+ , N_2H^+ , CO), Fontani+17 (HC_3N , HC_5N), Favre+18 (c- C_3H), Bialy+20, Padovani+22 (H_2 NIR-lines)

ALMA-UNIC core properties



ζ_2 vs $N(\text{H}_2)$ with ALMA-UNIC



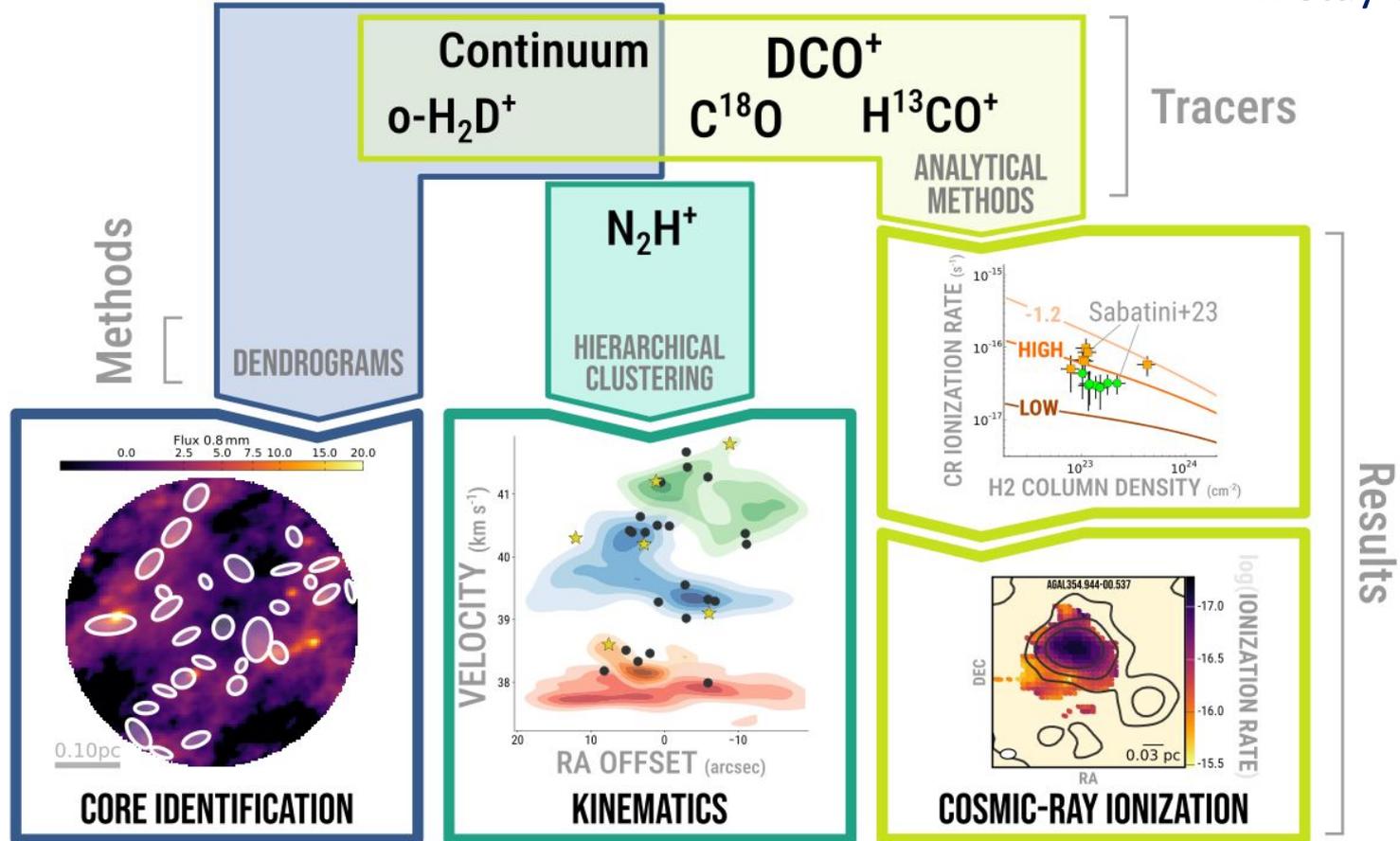
(see Padovani et al 2020 and Gabici 2022 reviews)



Summary

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Thank you