

A New Sample of Massive Young Stellar Object Outflow Candidates:

Extended Green Objects from the GLIMPSE Survey

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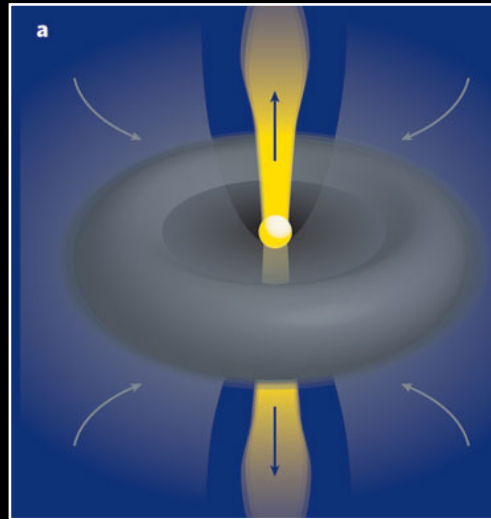
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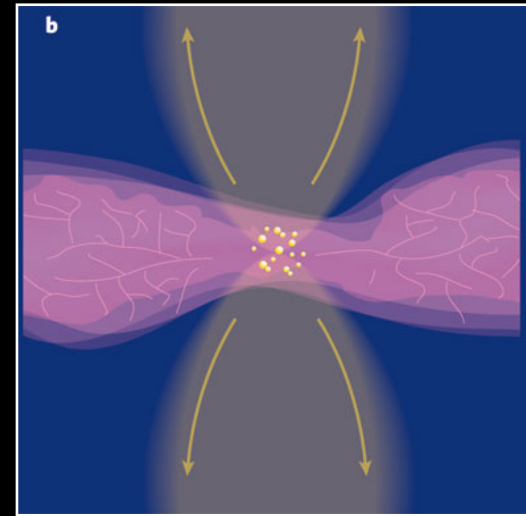
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How do massive stars form?

0.1 pc ~20,000 AU



Low Mass



High Mass

Observational difficulties:

- Distant (> 1 kpc)
- Deeply embedded (obscured shortward of MIR)
- Clustered

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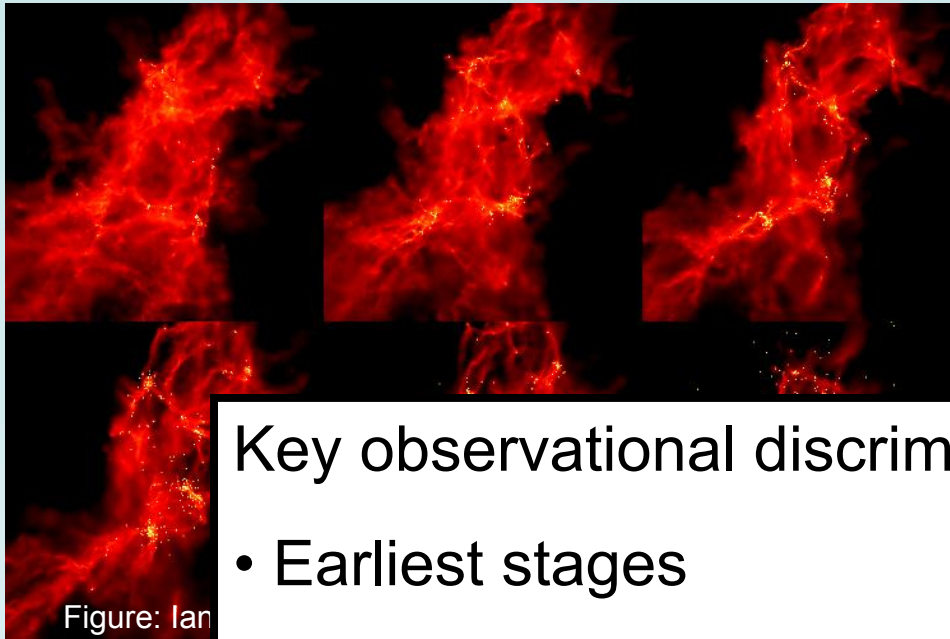
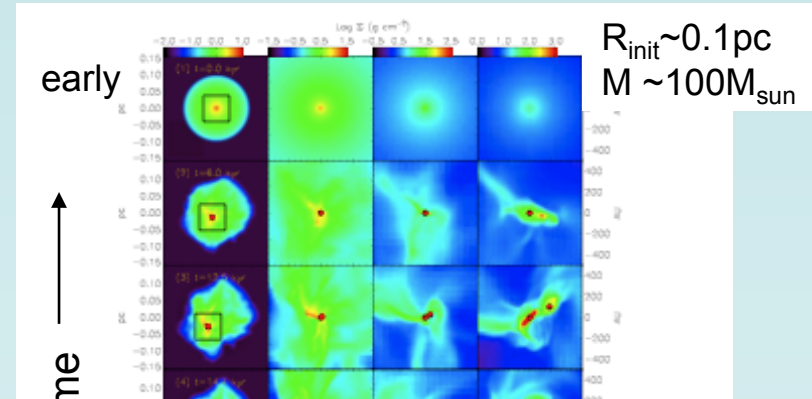


Figure: Ian

Cloud: 10⁶
419 stars
standard I

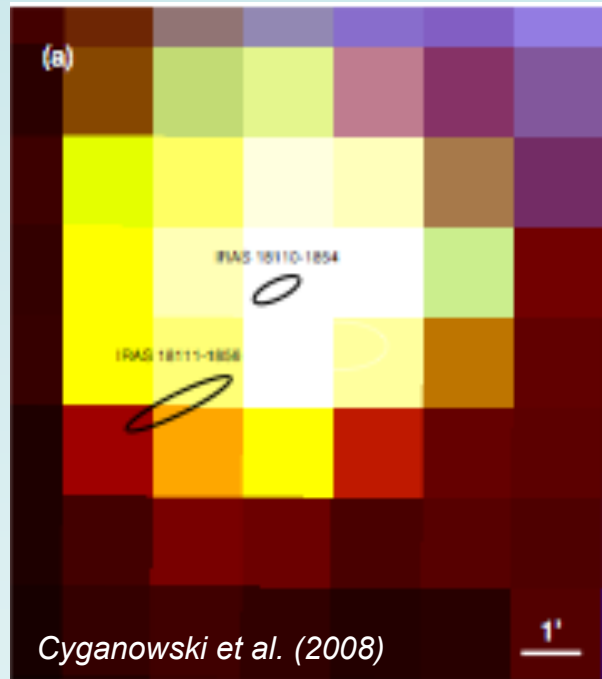


Key observational discriminants:

- Earliest stages
- Role of cluster feedback (outflows, ionization, heating)
- Demographics of YSO populations
- Fragmentation suppresses fragmentation
- Competitive accretion
- Dynamics and interactions matter
- Sum of above factors -> IMF
- Majority of mass → 1 object
- Core mass maps directly to stellar mass
- (Core IMF=stellar IMF)

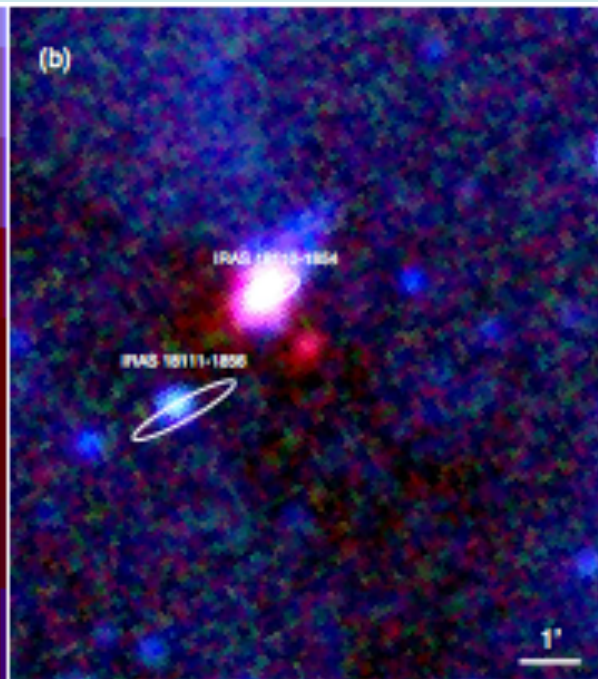
The Evolution of IR-selected MYSO samples...

IRAS



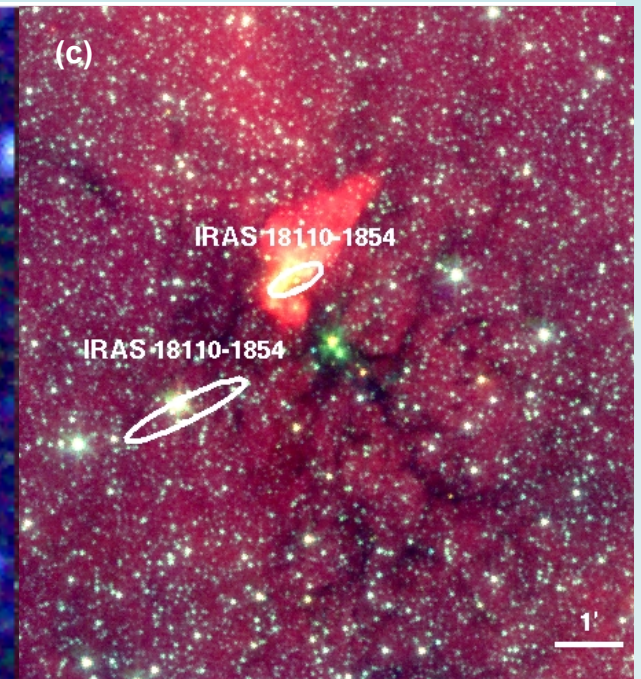
RGB: 100, 25, 12 μm
Resolution $\sim 0.5'-2'$

MSX



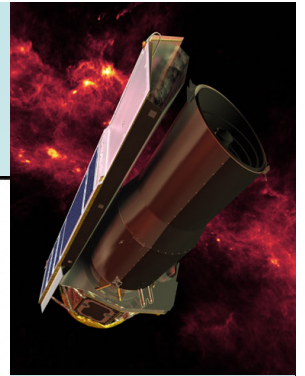
RGB: 21.4, 12.1, 8.3 μm
Resolution $\sim 18''$

Spitzer (IRAC)

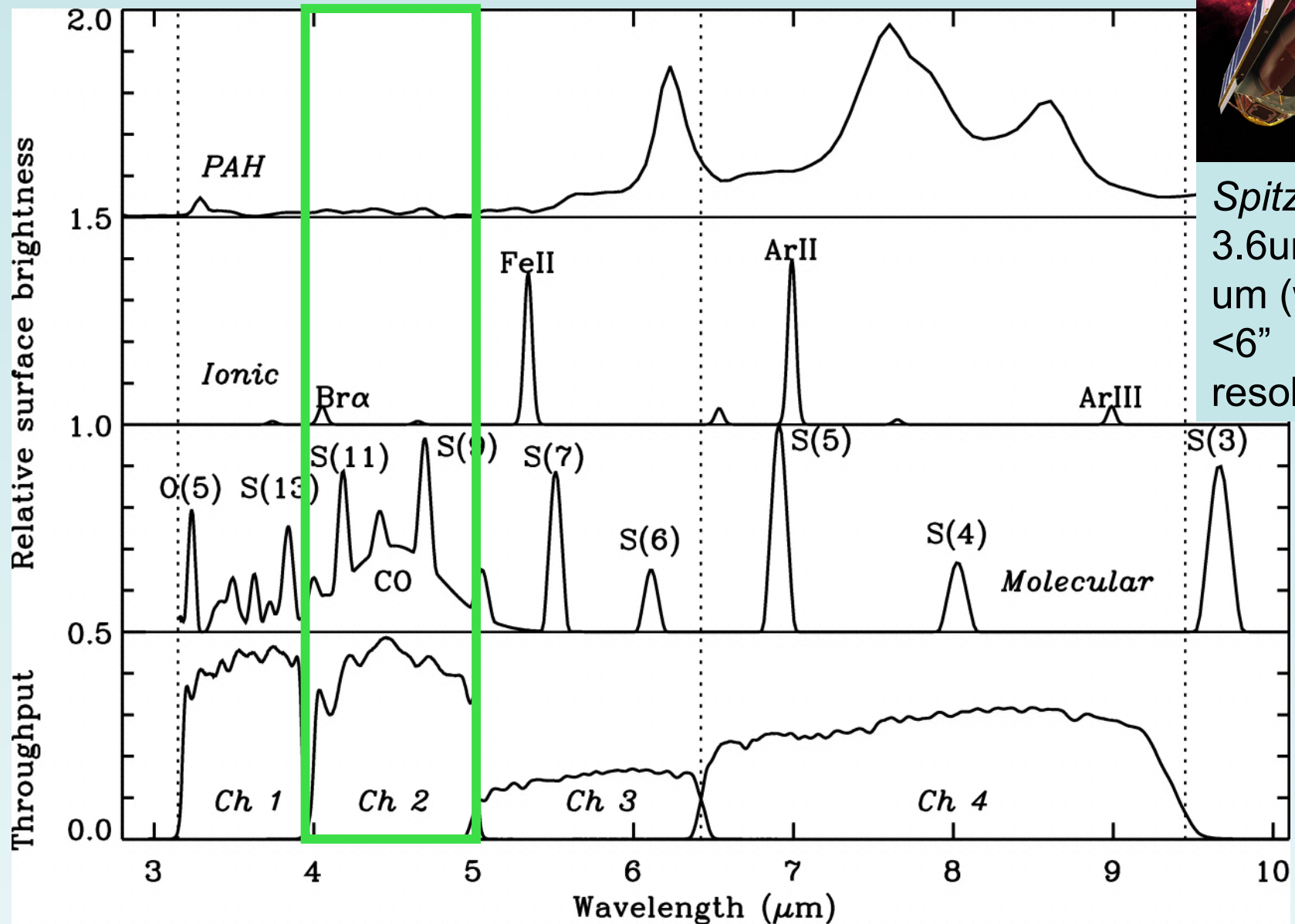


RGB: 8.0, 4.5, 3.6 μm
Resolution $\sim 2''$

A New Diagnostic: *Spitzer's* 4.5 μ m band

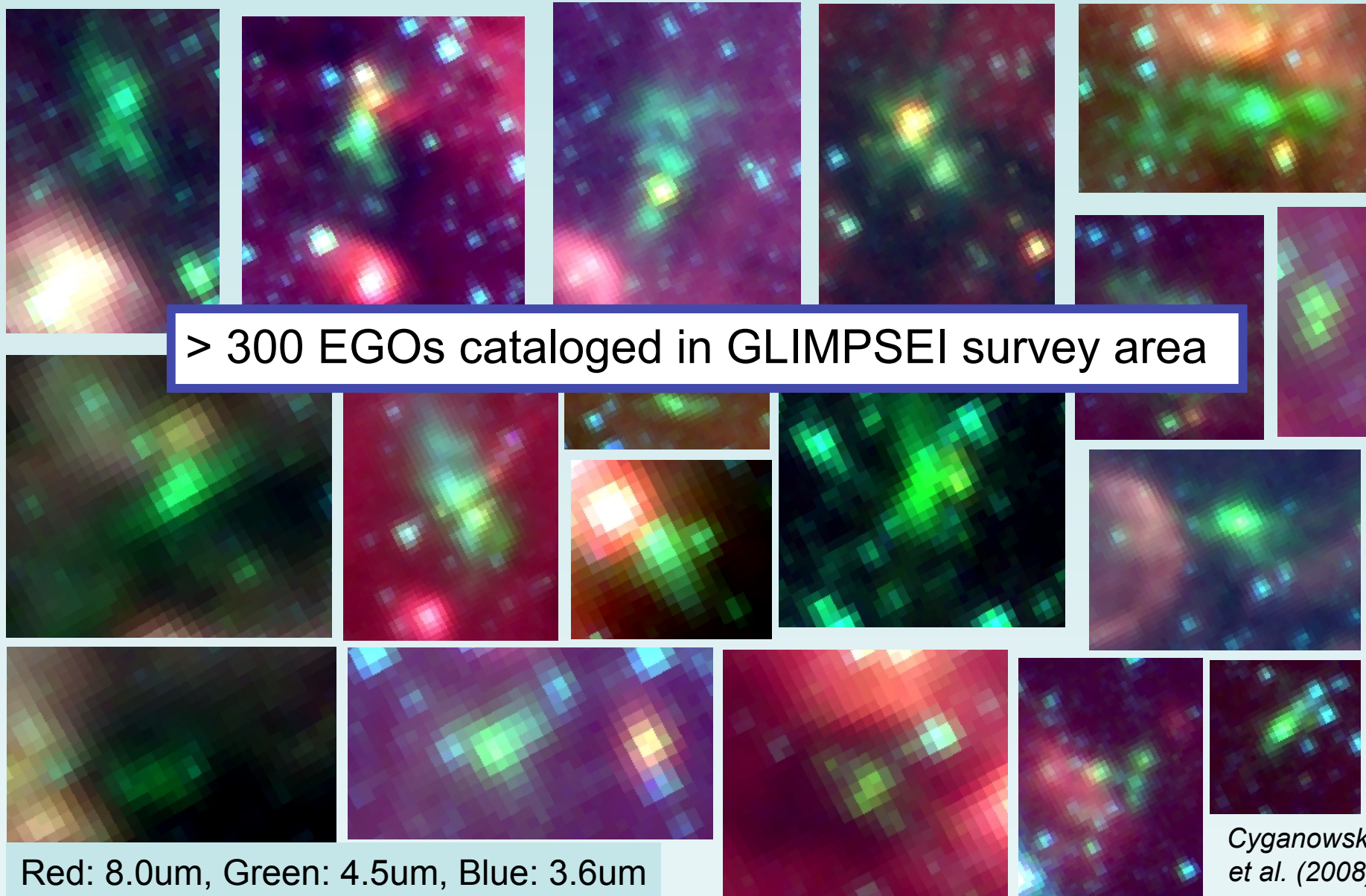


Spitzer,
3.6 μ m-24
 μ m (with
<6''
resolution)



Reach et al. (2006)

A New MYSO Outflow Sample: GLIMPSE Extended Green Objects (EGOS)



*Cyganowski
et al. (2008)*

Are EGOs *Massive* YSOs with Outflows?

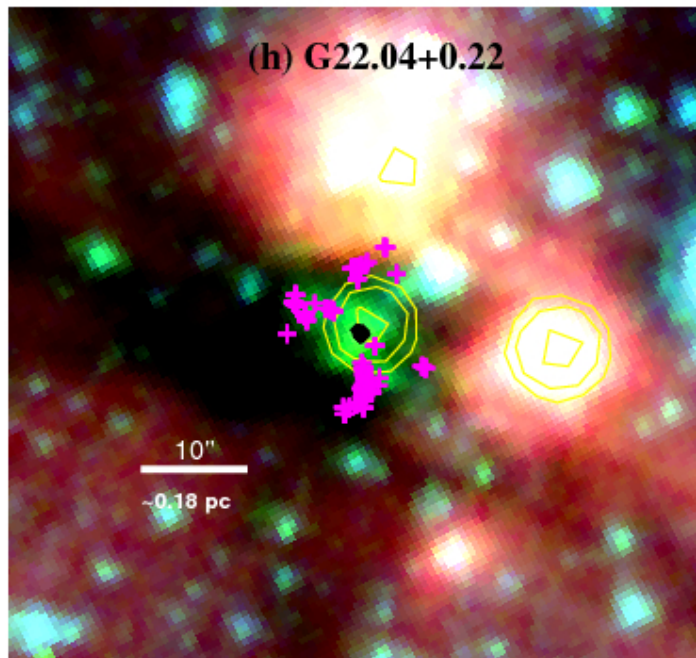
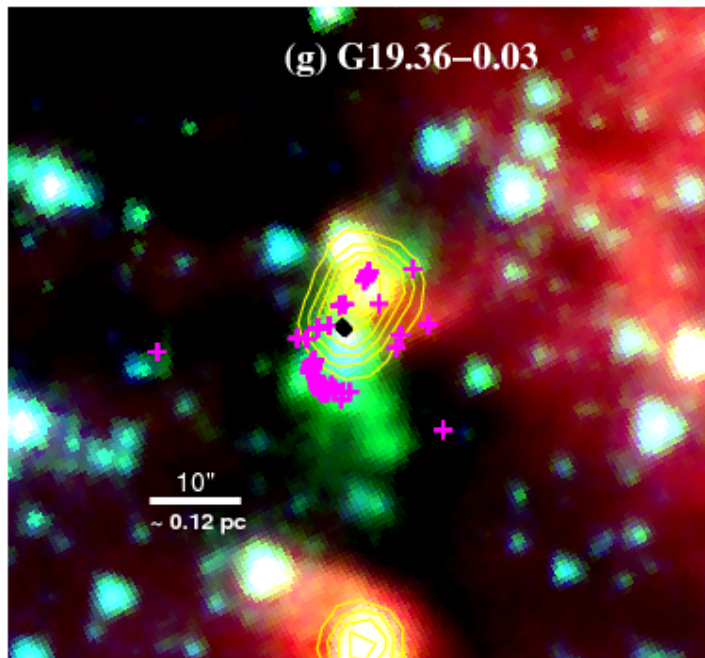
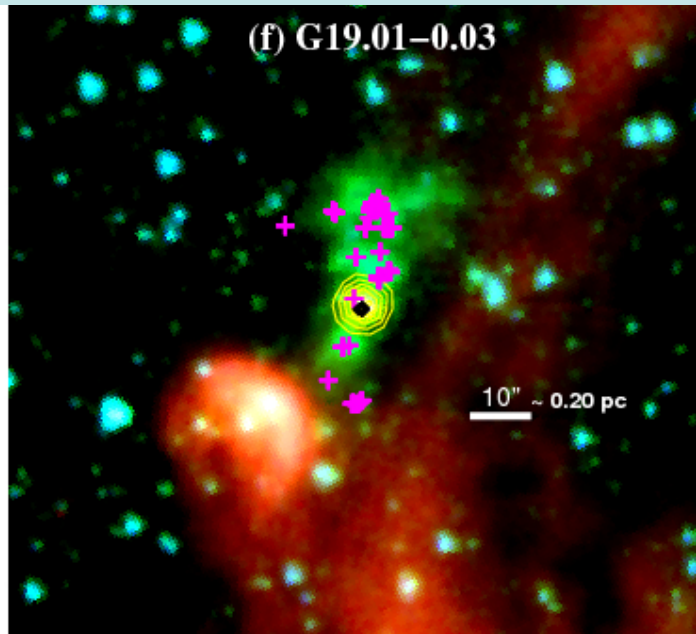
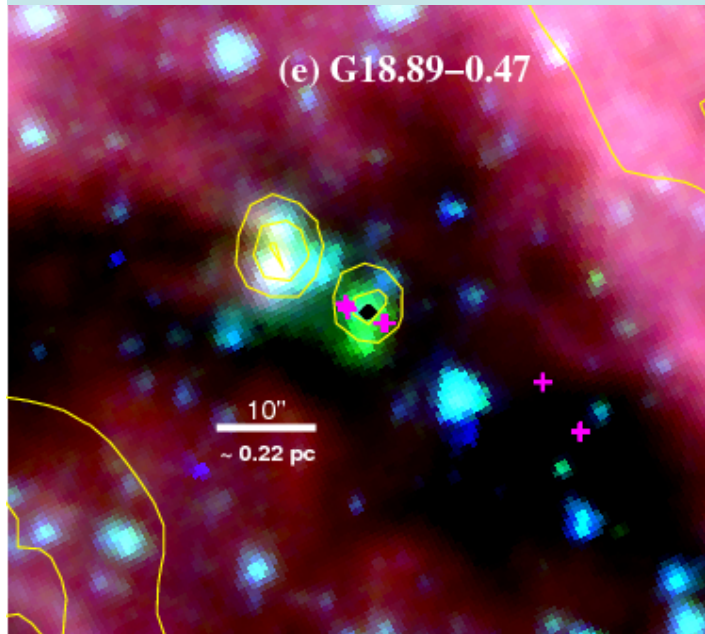
Observational Tests:

- EVLA survey for 6.7 GHz CH₃OH masers (associated exclusively with *massive* YSOs; Minier et al. 2003)
- VLA survey for 44 GHz CH₃OH masers (associated with molecular outflows; Kurtz et al. 2004)
- JCMT survey for SiO, HCO⁺, H¹³CO⁺, thermal CH₃OH emission



- Sample of ~28 EGOs, selected to:
 - Cover range of MIR properties (8/24um counterparts, morphology, angular extent of 4.5um emission)
 - Be visible from northern hemisphere

EGO Survey Results: Spatial Distribution of CH₃OH Masers



GLIMPSE Images:

Red: 8μm

Green: 4.5μm

Blue: 3.6μm

Yellow contours:

MIPS 24 μm

+ 44 GHz Class I
CH₃OH masers

◇ 6.7 GHz Class II
CH₃OH masers

Cyganowski et al. (2009)

EGO Survey Results: Summary

- 6.7 GHz CH₃OH maser detection rate >64%
 - Nearly 2x detection rate of other MYSO samples
 - Centrally concentrated, coincident with 24μm emission
- 44 GHz CH₃OH maser detection rate ~ 89%
 - Spatially distributed, coincident with 4.5μm emission
 - Velocities near systemic
- HCO⁺ (3-2) line profiles indicative of outflows (broad line wings)
- SiO (5-4) detection rate 90% → recent shocks, *active* outflows
- 95% *nondetection* rate for bright 44 GHz continuum emission → most EGOs are *not* UC HII regions

Bottom line: Surveyed EGOs are young MYSOs with active outflows, and hence presumably ongoing accretion

How evolved are EGOs?

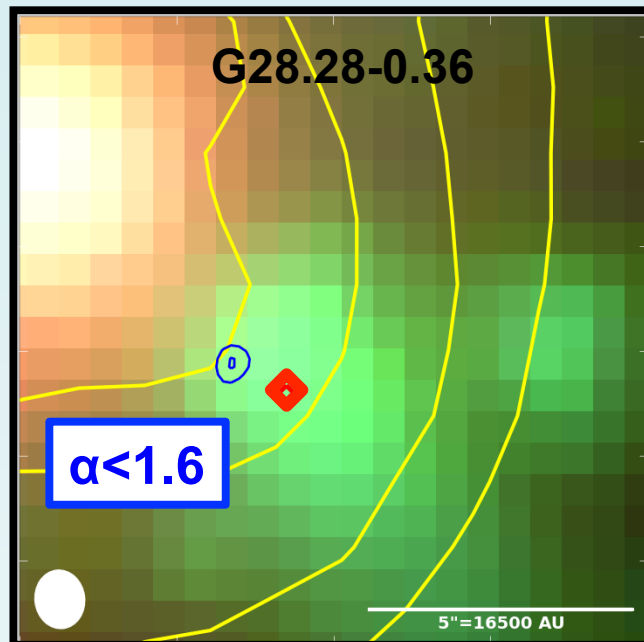
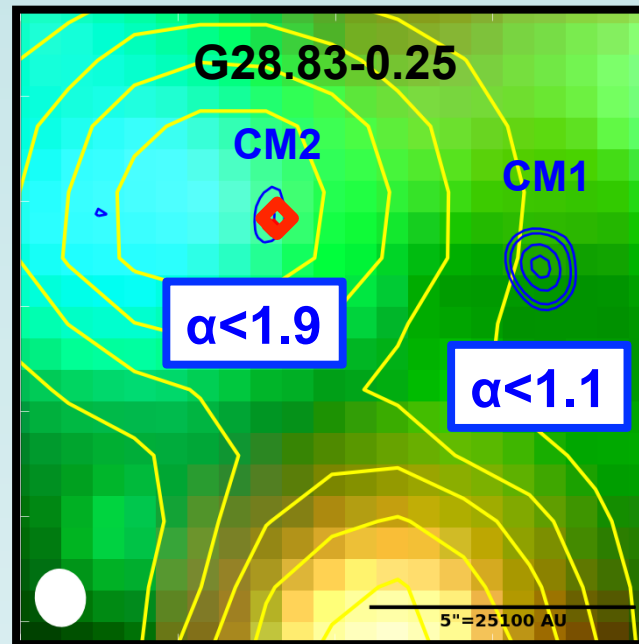
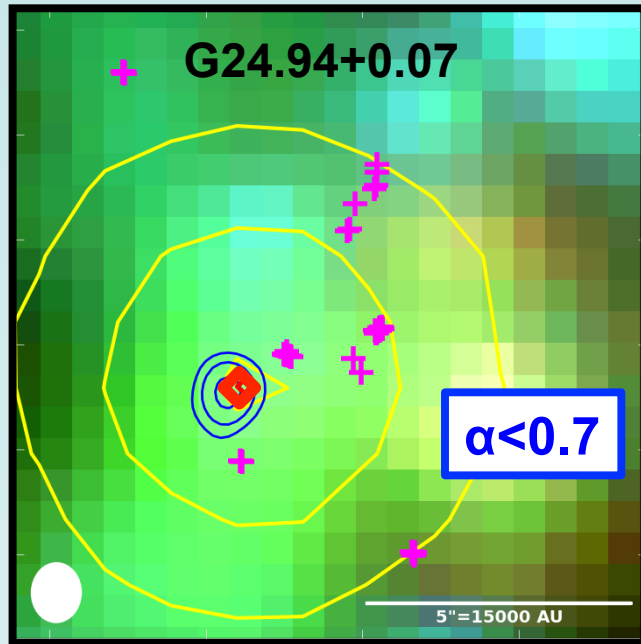
Search for cm continuum emission:

- Deep VLA surveys:
 - 3.6 cm ($\sigma \sim 30 \mu\text{Jy/beam}$)
 - 1.3 cm ($\sigma \sim 0.25 \text{ mJy/beam}$)
 - Resolution $\sim 1''$



- Sample of 14 EGOs:
 - Selected from maser survey sample
 - Associated with 6.7 GHz CH_3OH masers, 44 GHz CH_3OH masers, or both

Cm Survey Results: Detections



GLIMPSE Images:

Red: 8um

Green: 4.5um

Blue: 3.6um

Yellow contours:
MIPS 24 um

Blue contours:
3.6 cm continuum

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Cyganowski et al., in prep.

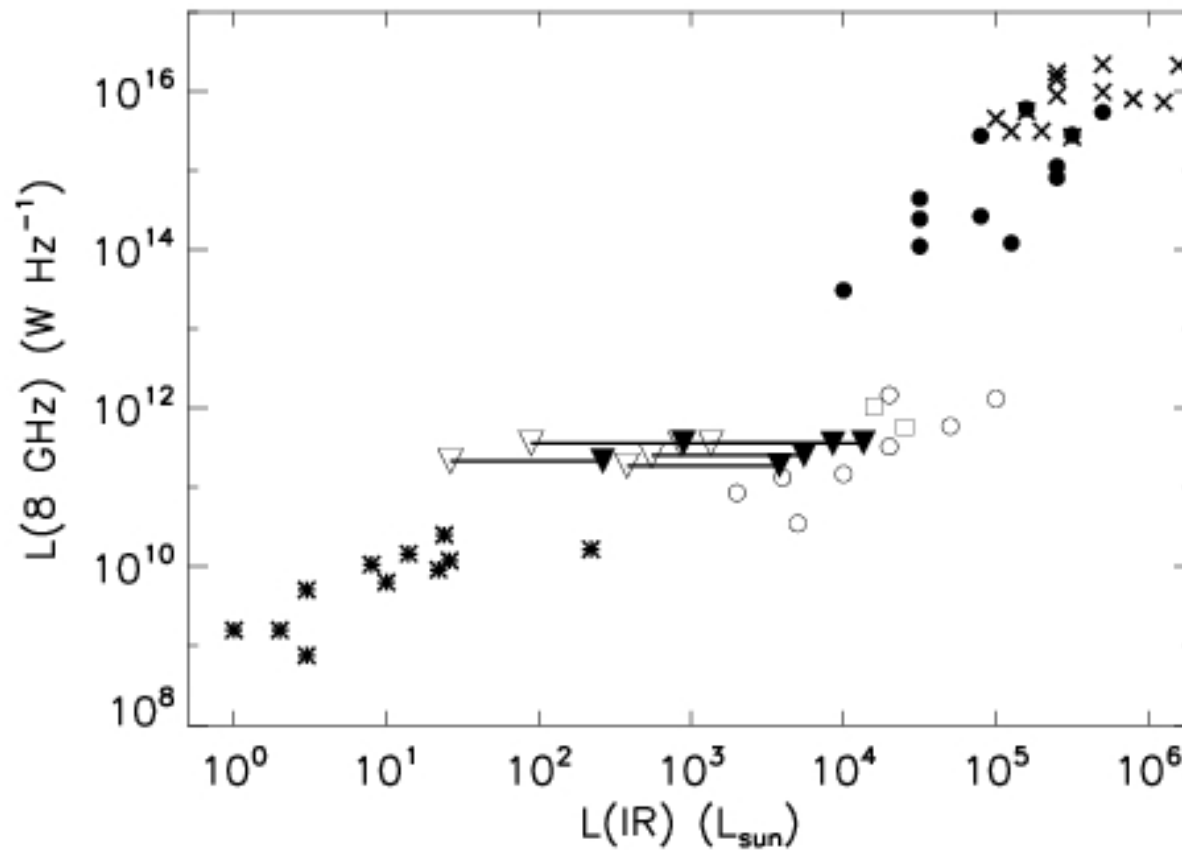
Cm Continuum Survey Results: Summary

- Nondetection rate 57% (8/14)
 - Undetected at both 3.6 and 1.3 cm:
 - $N_{\text{lyc}} < \text{few} \times 10^{44} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (optically thin)
 - Size $< \sim 100 \text{ AU}$ (optically thick)
- Most cm- λ EGO counterparts are:
 - Weak ($< 1 \text{ mJy}$)
 - Detected only at 3.6 cm
 - Intermediate spectral indices
- One detected only at 1.3 cm, probable HC HII region
- Only 2 EGOs associated with UC/C HII regions:
 - Both show cm- λ multiplicity

$$S_\nu \sim \nu^\alpha$$

$\alpha = -0.1$ optically thin
 $\alpha = 2$ optically thick

Cm Survey Results: Nature of cm emission



EGOs: $\triangleleft$ $\blacktriangleleft$

Hoare & Franco
2007:

UC HIIs: X

HC HIIs: $\bullet$

Winds: $\circ$

Jets: $\square$

Anglada et al 1998:

Low mass jets: $*$

Feedback Mechanisms and (Proto)cluster Formation: Case Study G11.92-0.61

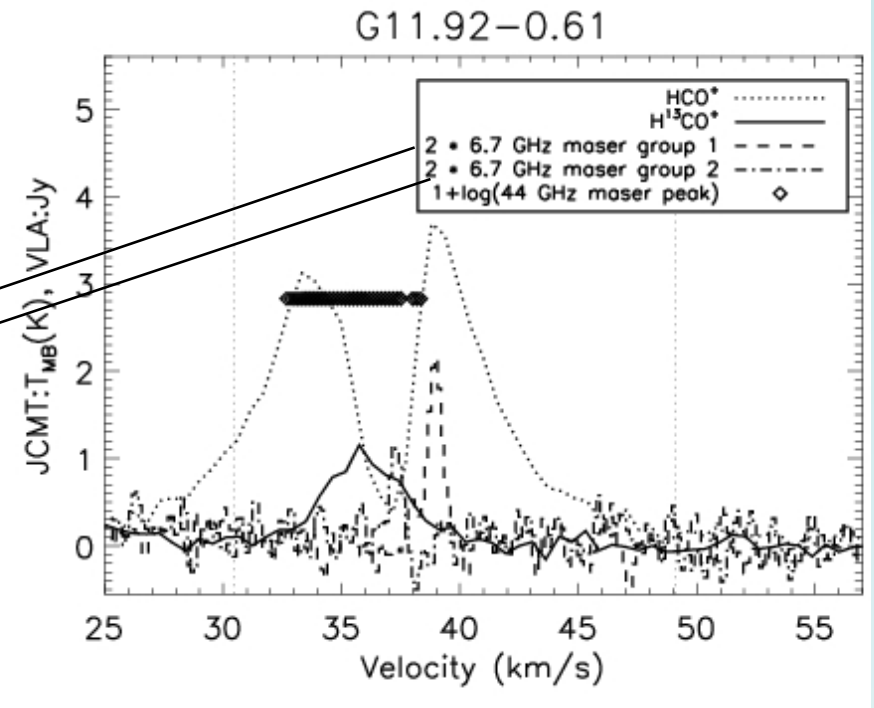
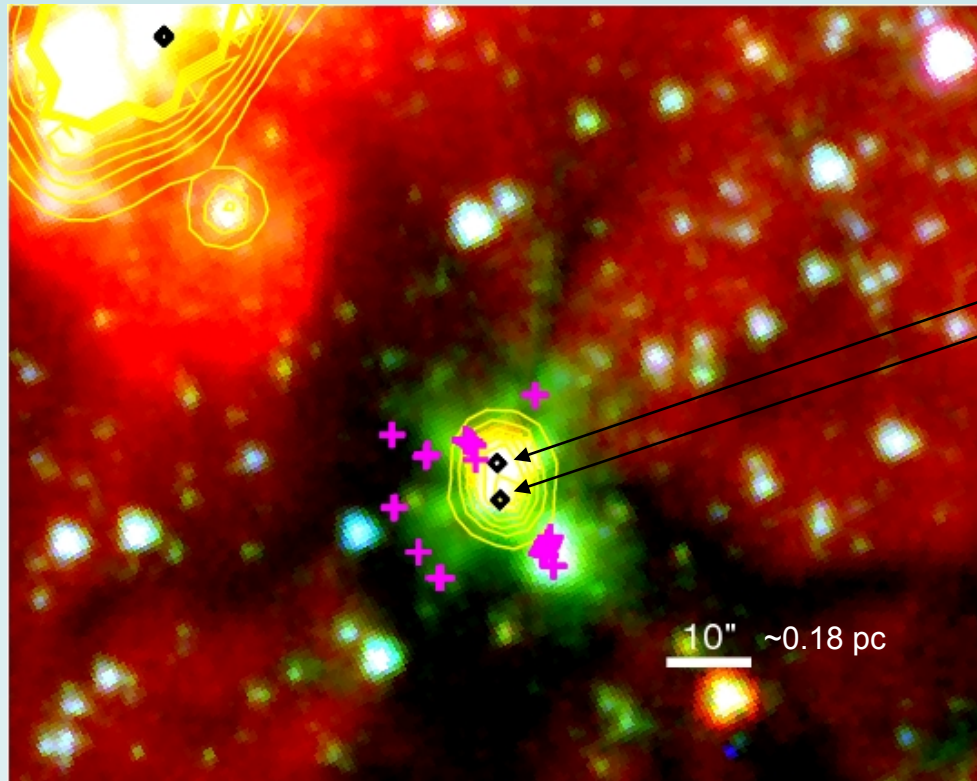


Image: Red: 8 μm , Green: 4.5 μm , Blue: 3.6 μm (GLIMPSE)
Yellow contours: MIPS 24 μm
Magenta Crosses: 44 GHz Class I CH_3OH masers
Black Diamonds: 6.7 GHz Class II CH_3OH masers

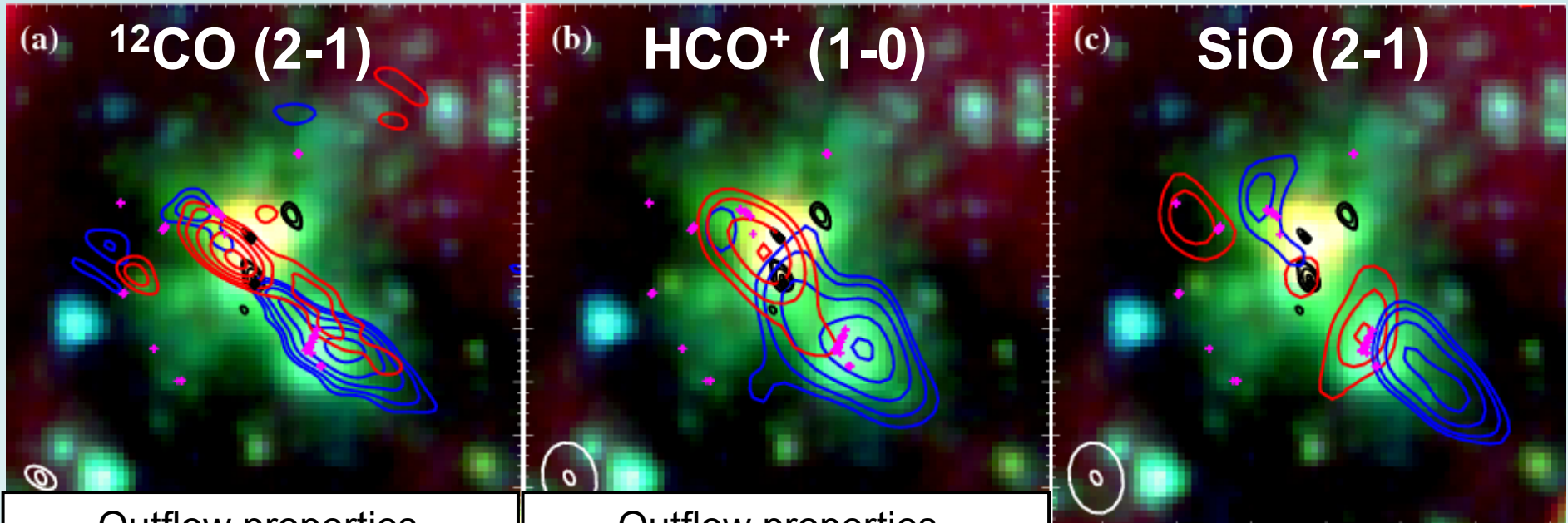
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Molecular Bipolar Outflows: G11.92-0.61

SMA

CARMA

CARMA



Outflow properties

$M_{\text{red}}: 0.2 M_{\text{sun}}$

$M_{\text{blue}}: 0.6 M_{\text{sun}}$

$M_{\text{total}}: 0.8 M_{\text{sun}}$

Length: 0.6 pc

$t_{\text{dyn}}: \sim 5-6 \times 10^3 \text{ yrs}$

Mass outflow rate:

$\sim 1.3 \times 10^{-4} M_{\text{sun}}/\text{yr}$

Outflow properties

$M_{\text{red}}: 2.6 M_{\text{sun}}$

$M_{\text{blue}}: 5.2 M_{\text{sun}}$

$M_{\text{total}}: 7.8 M_{\text{sun}}$

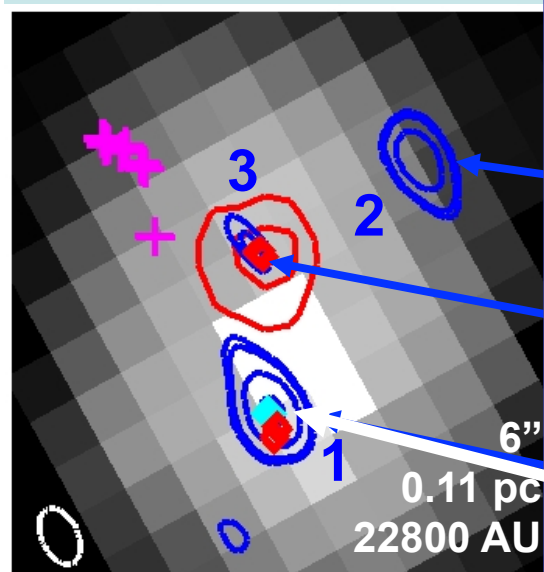
Length: 0.6 pc

Mass outflow rate:

$\sim 1.4 \times 10^{-3} M_{\text{sun}}/\text{yr}$

$V_{\text{LSR}} \sim 35 \text{ km/s}$
 Red: $v \sim 45-54 \text{ km/s}$
 Blue: $v \sim 8-25 \text{ km/s}$
 $\sim V_{\text{LSR}} \pm 10 \text{ km/s}$

Compact Cores: G11.92-0.61



Greyscale: MIPS 24 μm

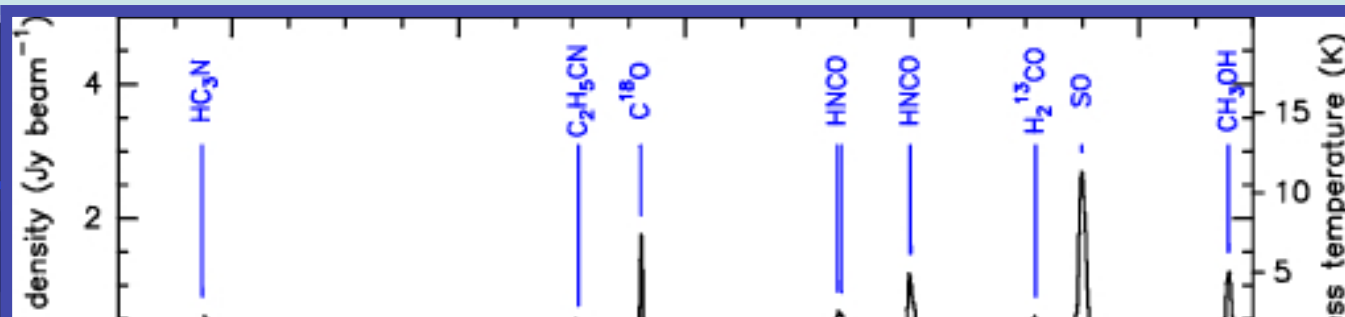
Blue contours: CARMA 1 mm continuum

Red contours: GLIMPSE 8 μm

Filled $\diamond$: H_2O maser

$\diamond$: 6.7 GHz CH_3OH masers

$+$: 44 GHz CH_3OH masers



Best fit two-component model:

Cool: $T = 77 \text{ K}$

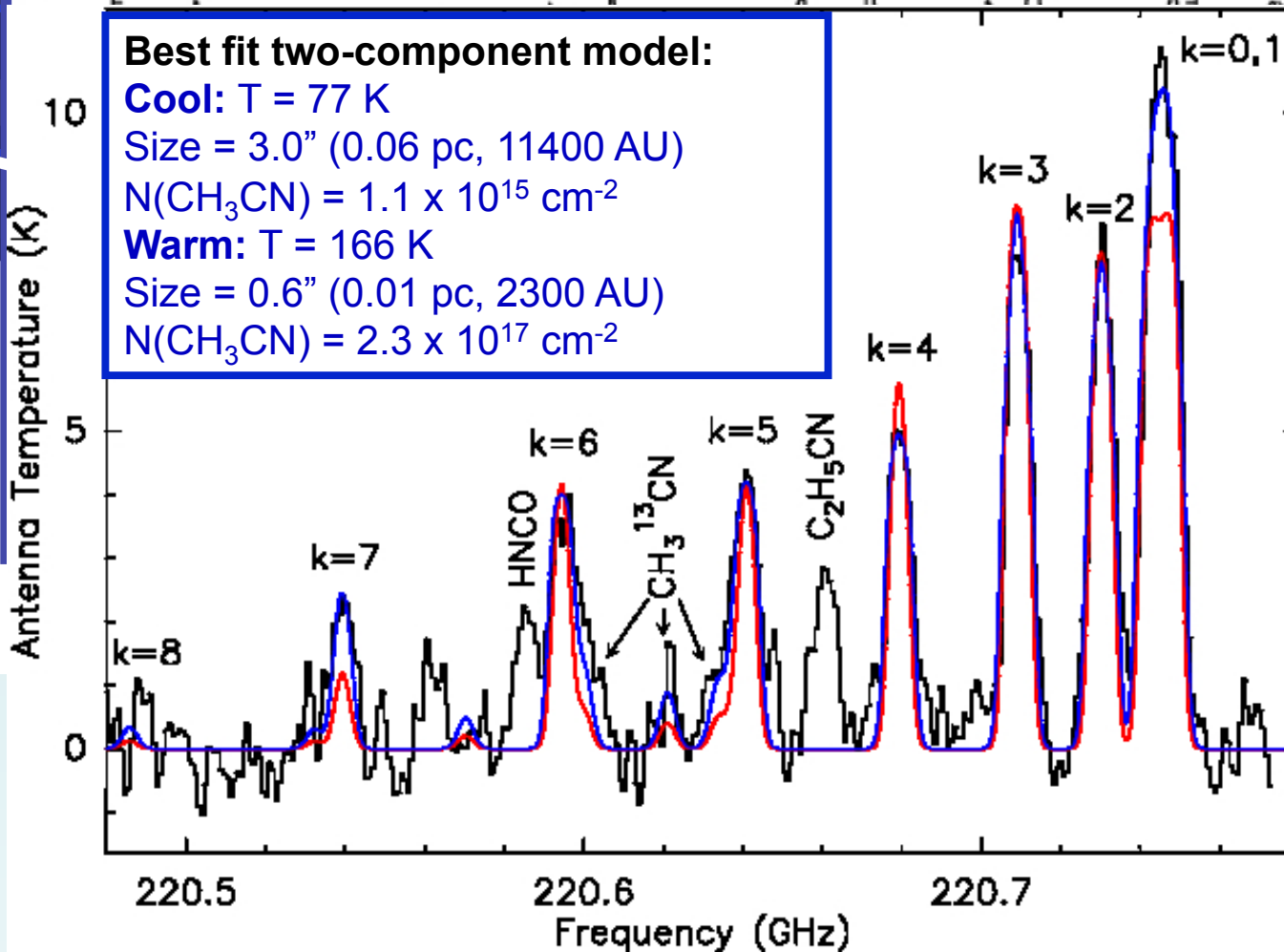
Size = $3.0''$ (0.06 pc, 11400 AU)

$N(\text{CH}_3\text{CN}) = 1.1 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

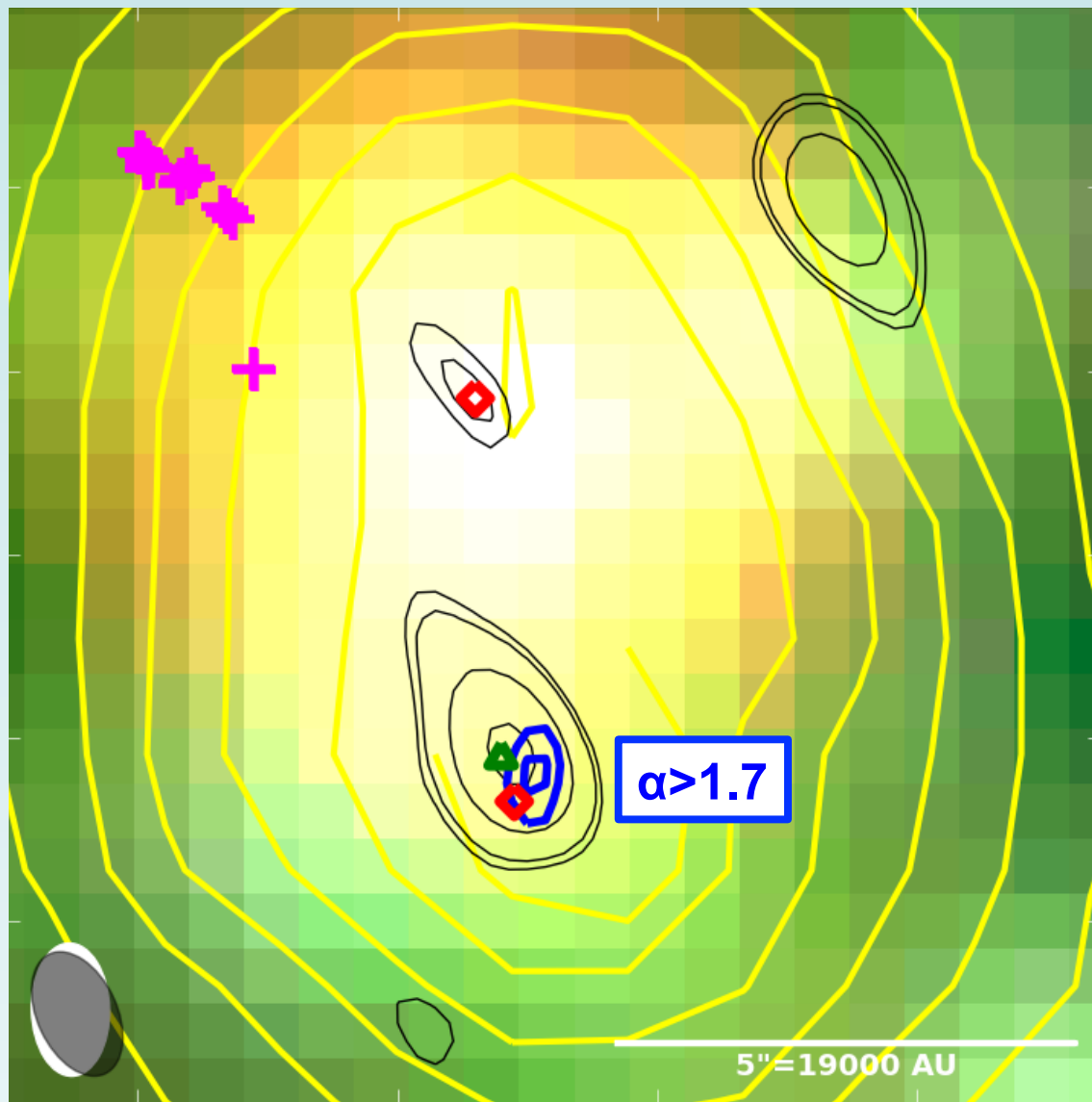
Warm: $T = 166 \text{ K}$

Size = $0.6''$ (0.01 pc, 2300 AU)

$N(\text{CH}_3\text{CN}) = 2.3 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-2}$



Compact Cores and Cm Continuum: G11.92-0.61



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△ H₂O maser

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Summary and Conclusions:

- Catalog of >300 GLIMPSEI EGOs selects for *massive* young stellar objects *with outflows*
- High resolution surveys of indirect tracers (masers) confirm association of EGOs with *active* outflows and *massive* YSOs
- Case studies (high resolution observations of *direct* tracers) show:
 - outflow origin for extended 4.5 μm emission
 - driving sources are hot cores and *NOT* UC HIIIs
 - diversity in clustering properties and evolutionary state

EGOs are a promising new sample for studying (proto)stellar feedback during the crucial--and poorly understood--early active accretion phase