

# Star and Planet Formation with the Subaru Telescope and the East Asian Observatory

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# EAST ASIAN OBSERVATORY

- Incorporated late 2014
- Concept: “Think Big”
- Ability to expand to larger projects, more telescope access and greater leadership



- By linking the regions, the funding can be lifted up to a level above just astronomy/science (the ESO for Asia)



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# WHAT EAO WANTS TO DO



- Combine and focus the vast potential of the East Asian Regions
- Stronger collaborations to improve science quality and diversity
- Increase student opportunities to broaden experience
- Multi-telescope access
- Increase scope and size of instrument projects





# TIMELINE FOR EAO



## 1. 2015 - 2016:

EAO incorporated  
JCMT operations assumed  
JCMT Instrument upgrades begin  
JCMT joins EHT

## 2. 2017

Access to 17A/17B Subaru time  
Access to 17A/17B SMA time  
EHT and standalone VLBI

## 3. 2018...

UKIRT operational partner?  
Full Partnership with Subaru?





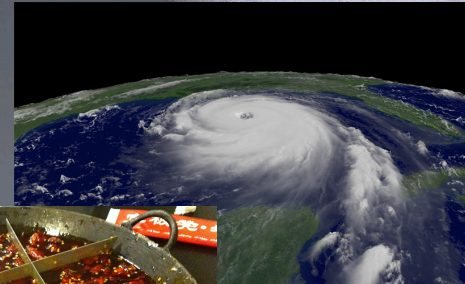
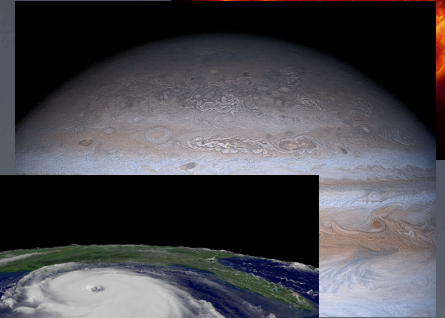
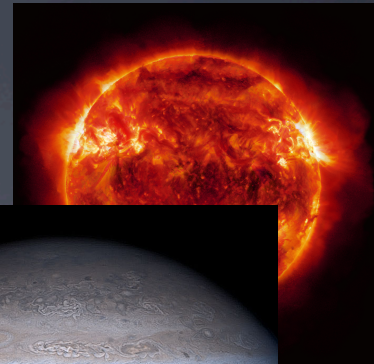
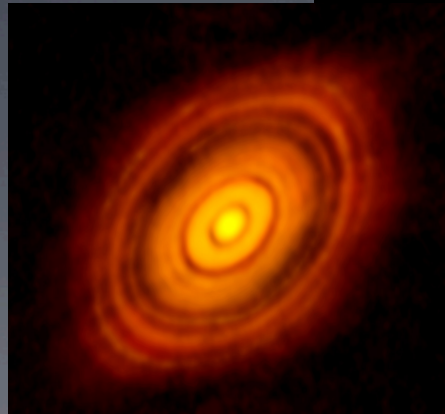
# The last astrophysical step of our origins



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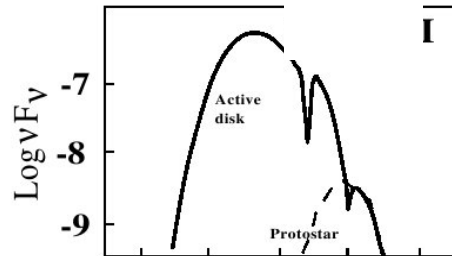
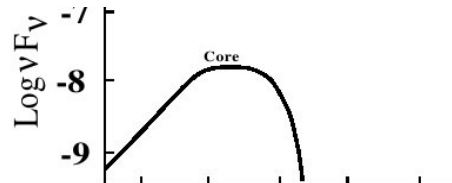
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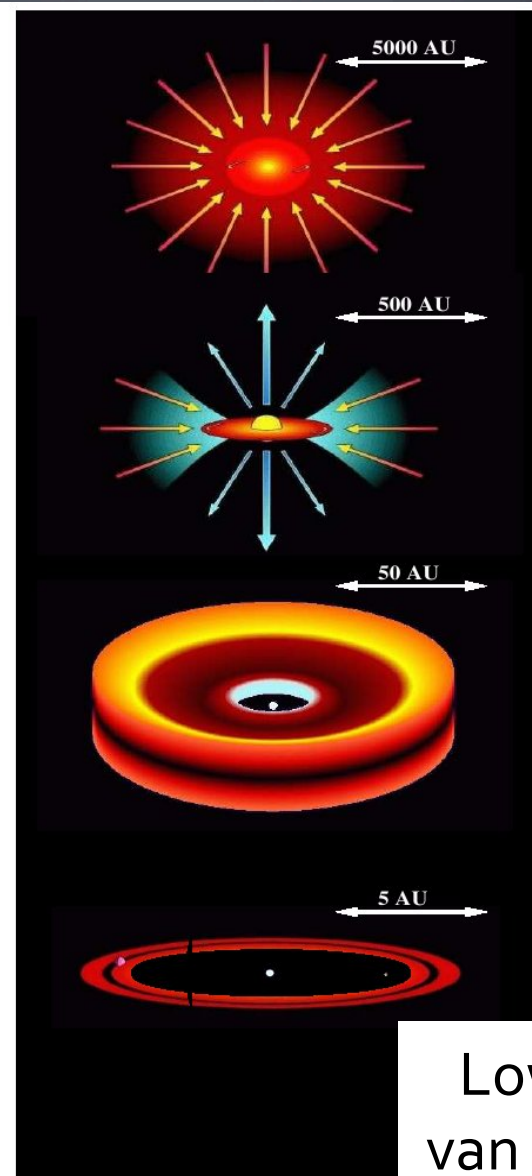
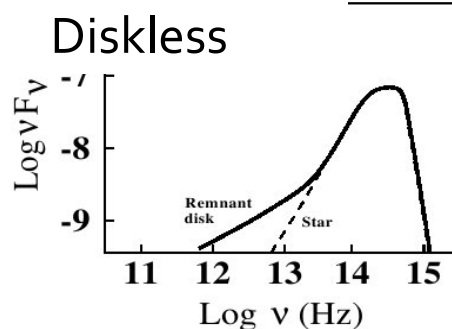
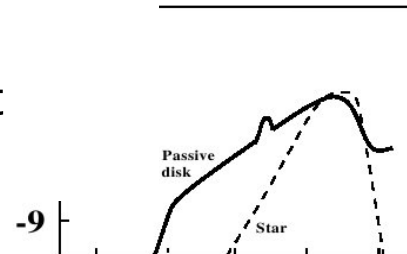


# Pre-main sequence star/disk evolution

## Protostars



Protoplanetary Disk  
-Epoch of giant planet  
formation, few Myr



Low mass stars  
van Boekel (2005)

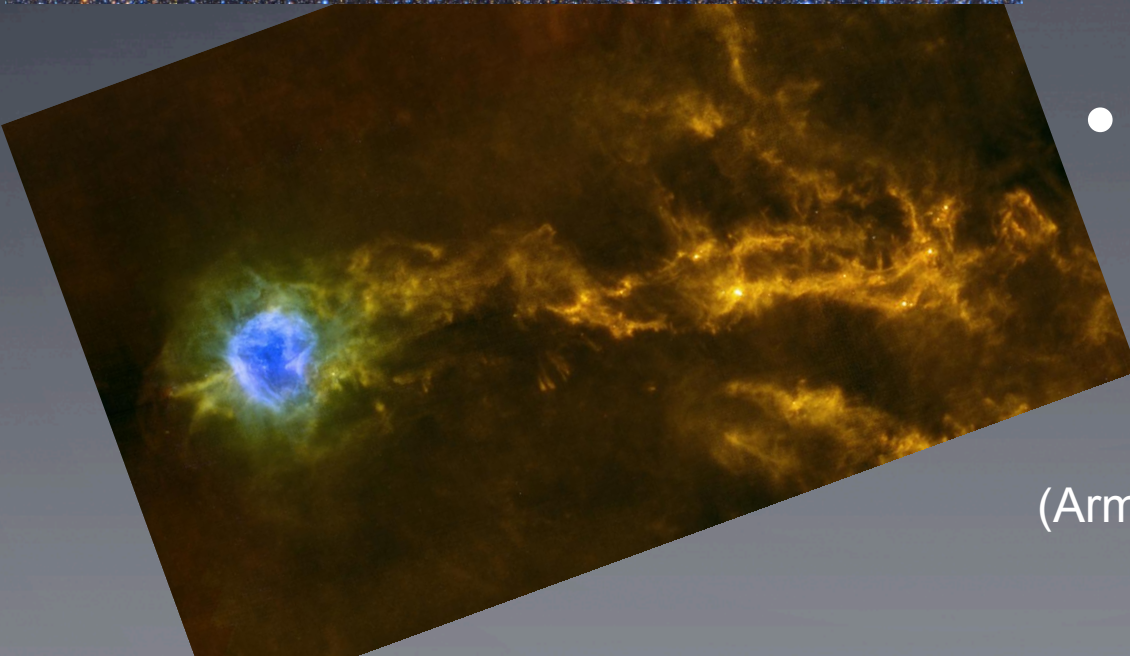




# Cocoon Nebula

- Optical:
  - dark lanes where dust
  - Nebular H-alpha emission

**Recent star formation**

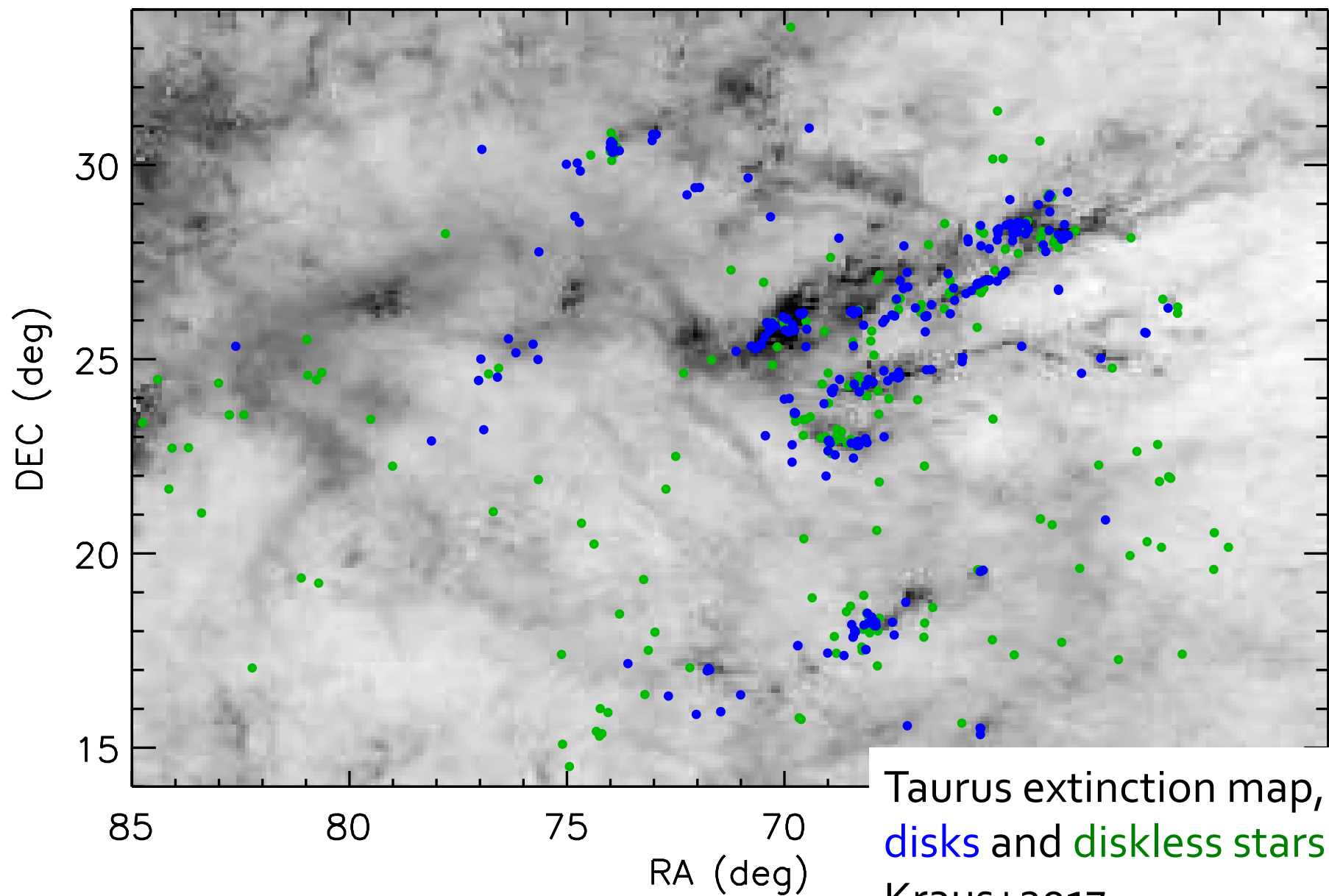


- Herschel far-IR map
  - warm dust at nebula
  - dust lanes appear bright

**Ongoing Star Formation**

(Armazounian et al. 2011)

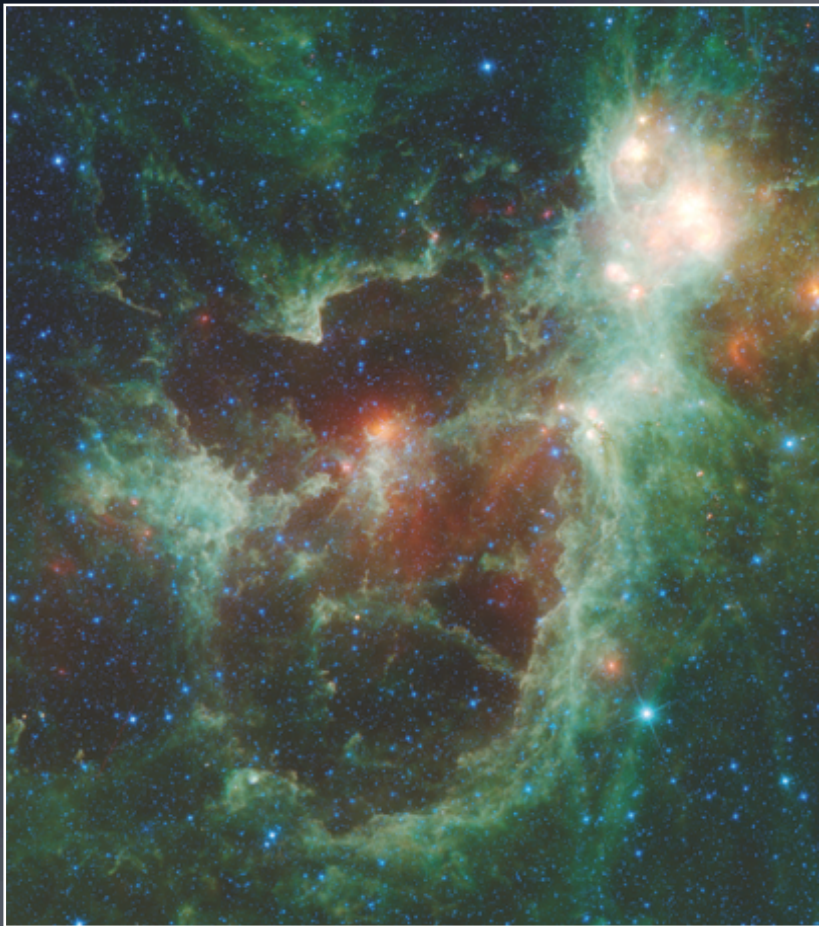




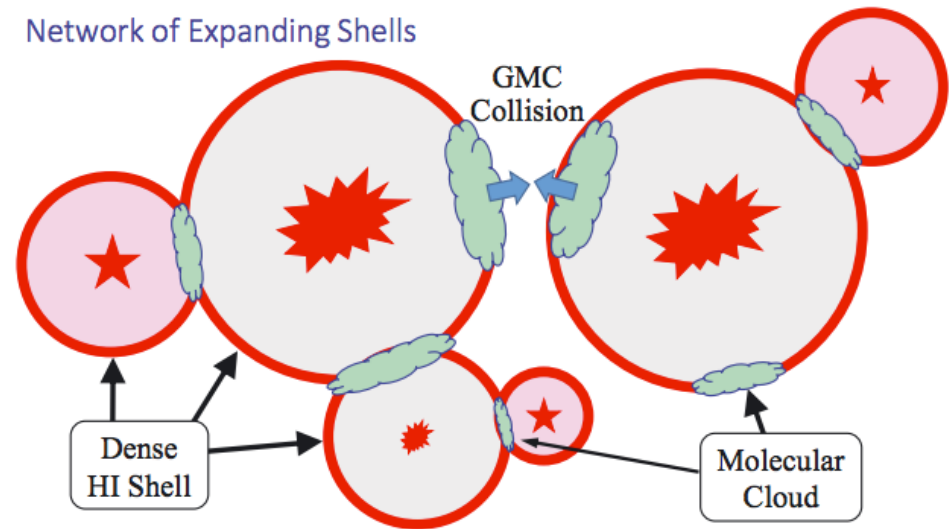


# Optical/near-IR studies of star formation

Inutsuka+2015



Network of Expanding Shells



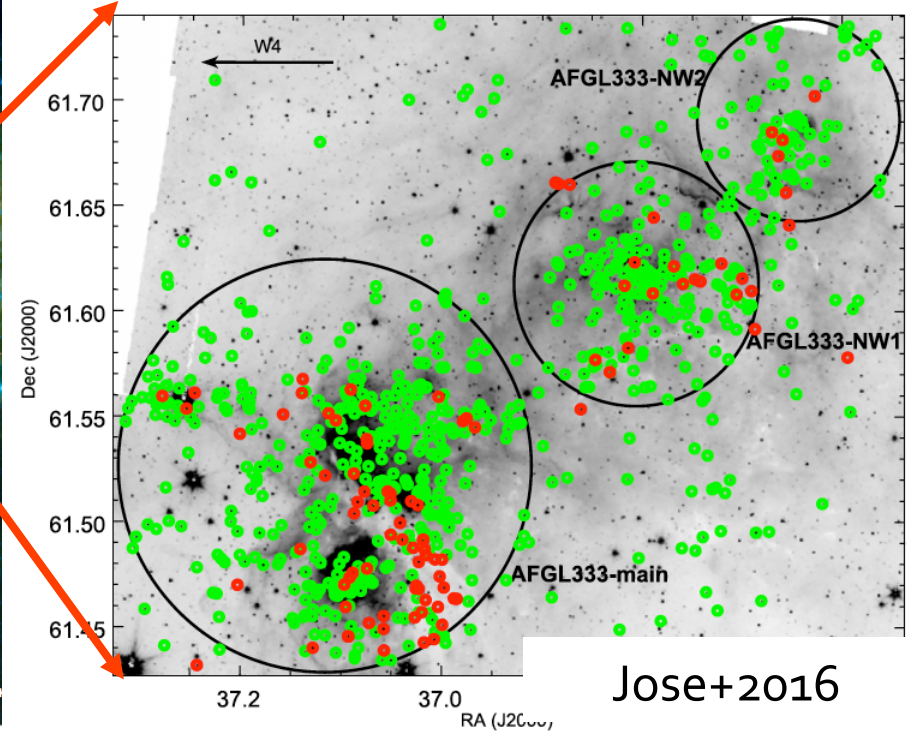
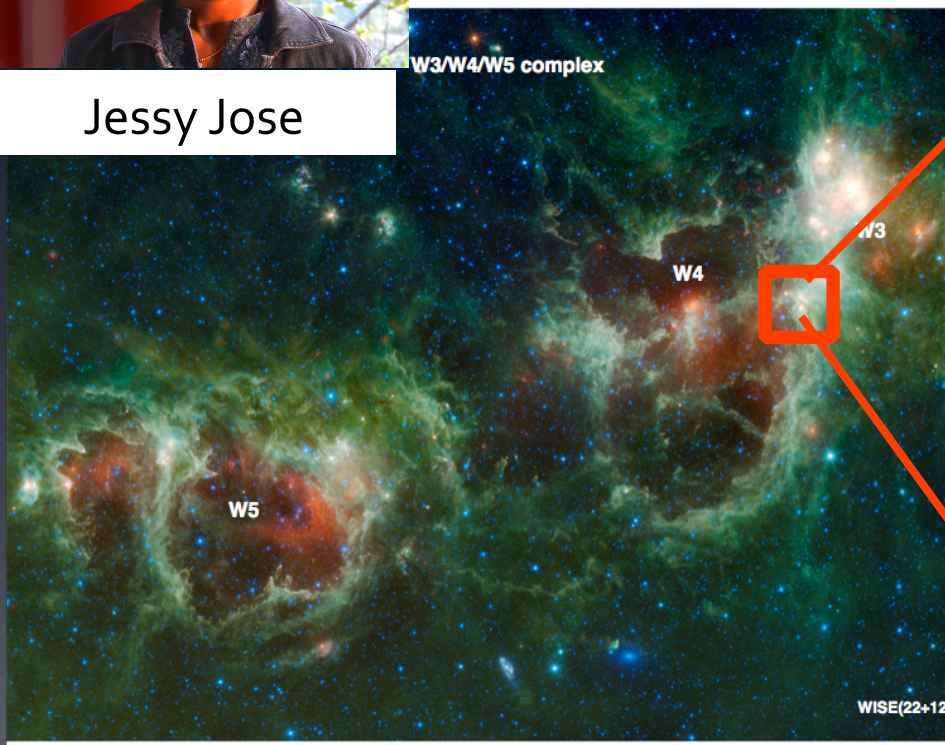
- Initial mass function
- Disks and planet formation
- Sequential star formation/triggering
- Star formation efficiency

Proposed and approved  
Subaru/EAO programs

Synergies with JCMT

# A triggered region in the W<sub>4</sub> superbubble

Jessy Jose

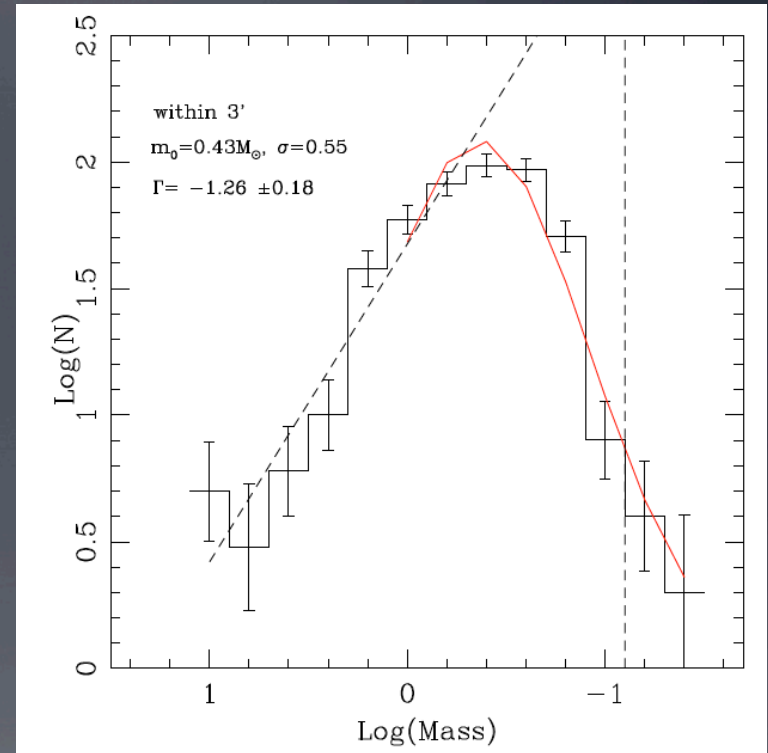
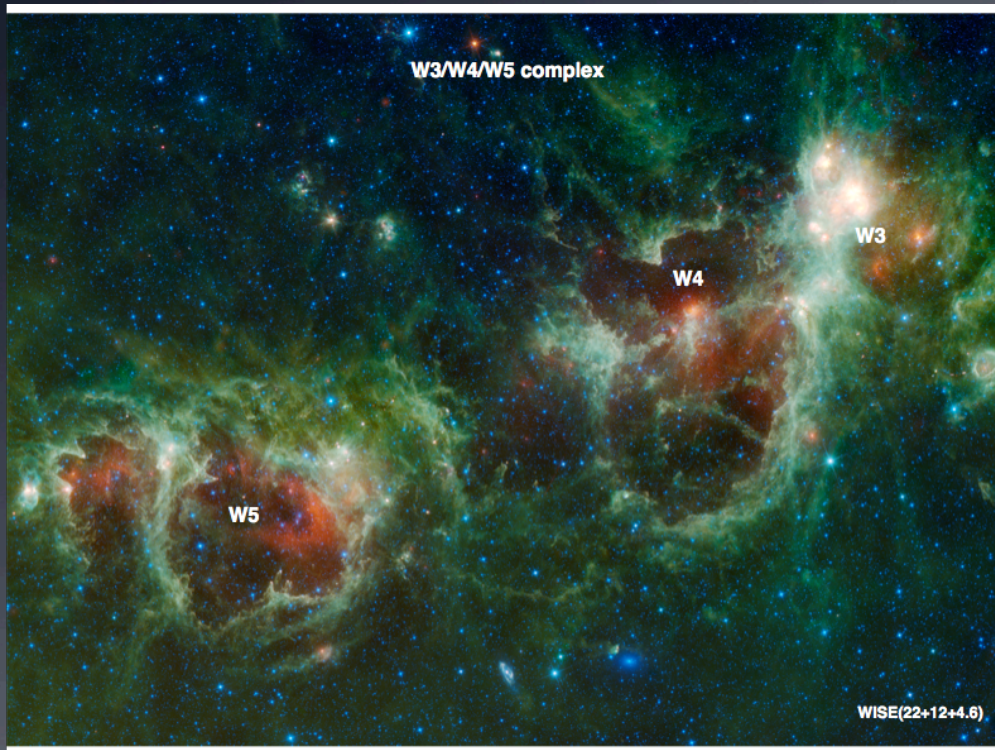


- Star formation efficiency (stars/gas).....~ 5%
- Star formation rate.....~150 M<sub>sun</sub>/Myr
- Star formation rate density ( $\Sigma$ SFR ).....~2 M<sub>sun</sub> / Myr / pc<sup>-2</sup>

Parameters typical of low-mass star formation



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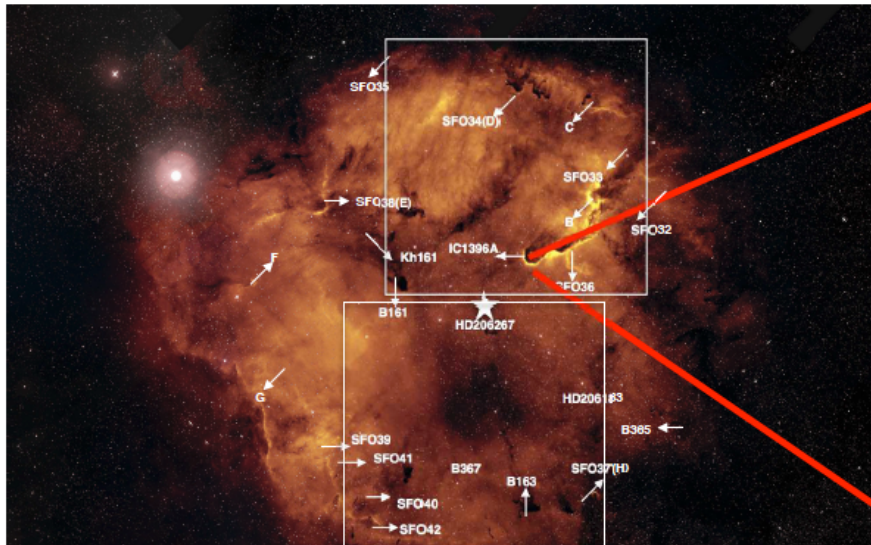
Jose+2016, 2017

IMF: similar in triggered environments and in high-mass star-forming regions?

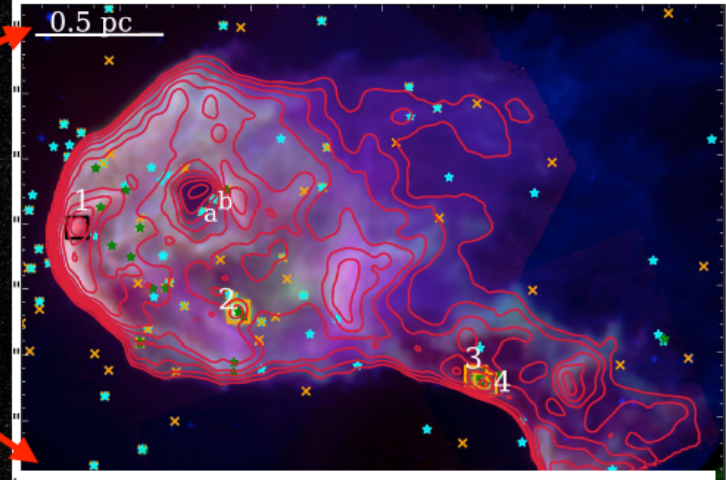
Differences expected at very low masses  
(not yet measurable)



# Example of EAO-Subaru proposal: multi-band HSC imaging of SF regions



Deeper than Pan-STARRS



Current Team

Regions typically at 2-4 kpc  
Look through extinction  
Low-mass stars and BDs

Search for variations versus  
mode of SF

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# Discovering the youngest free-floating planets: a transformative CFHT survey with the novel W(ater)-band

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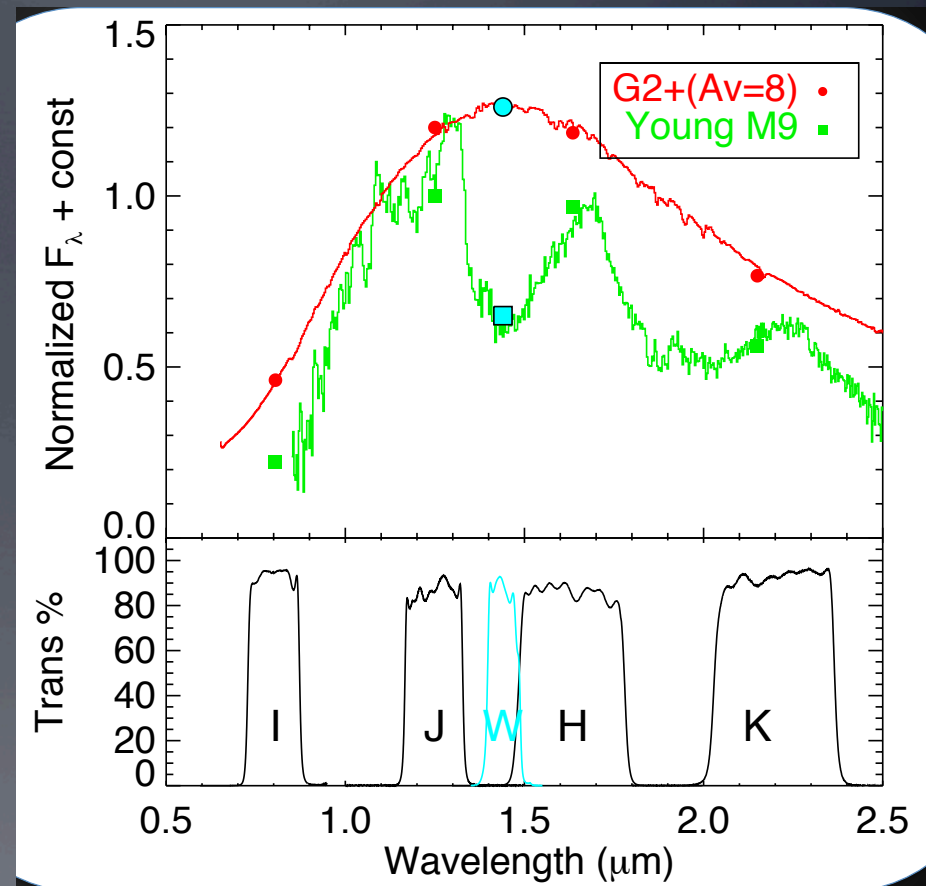
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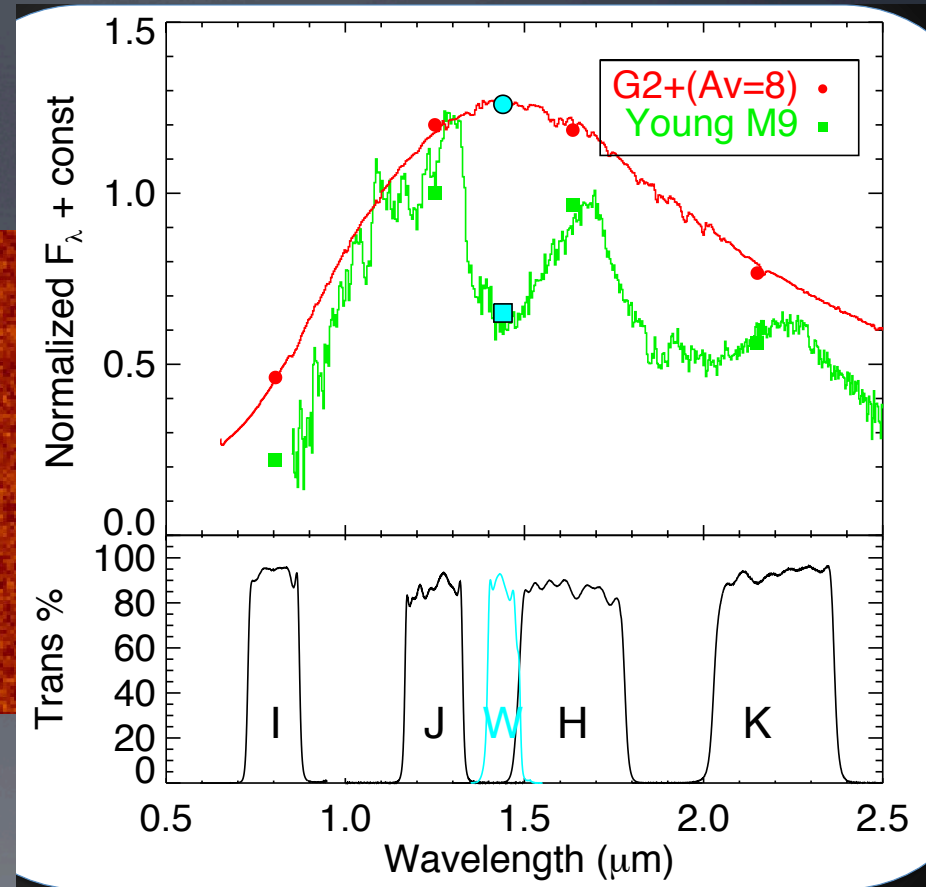
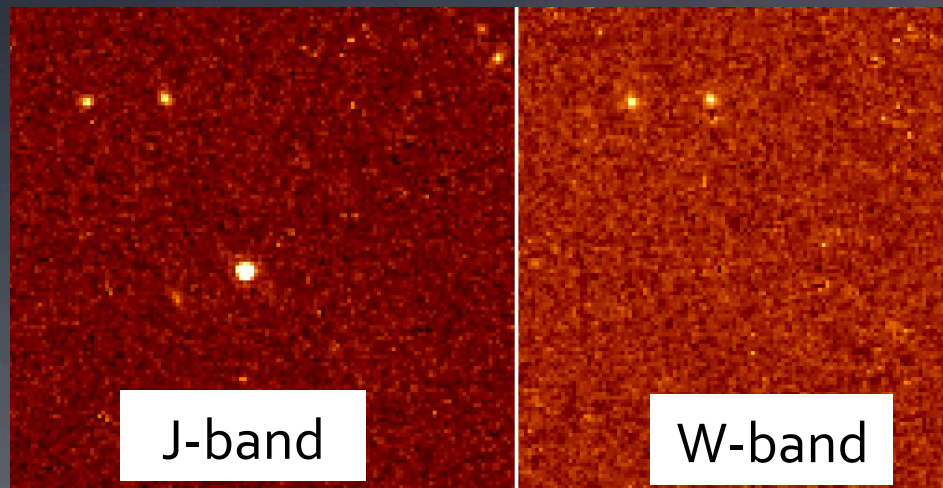


CFHT contributions: Canada,  
France, Taiwan, China  
Filter: UK

Brown dwarfs/planets:  
brightest when young!

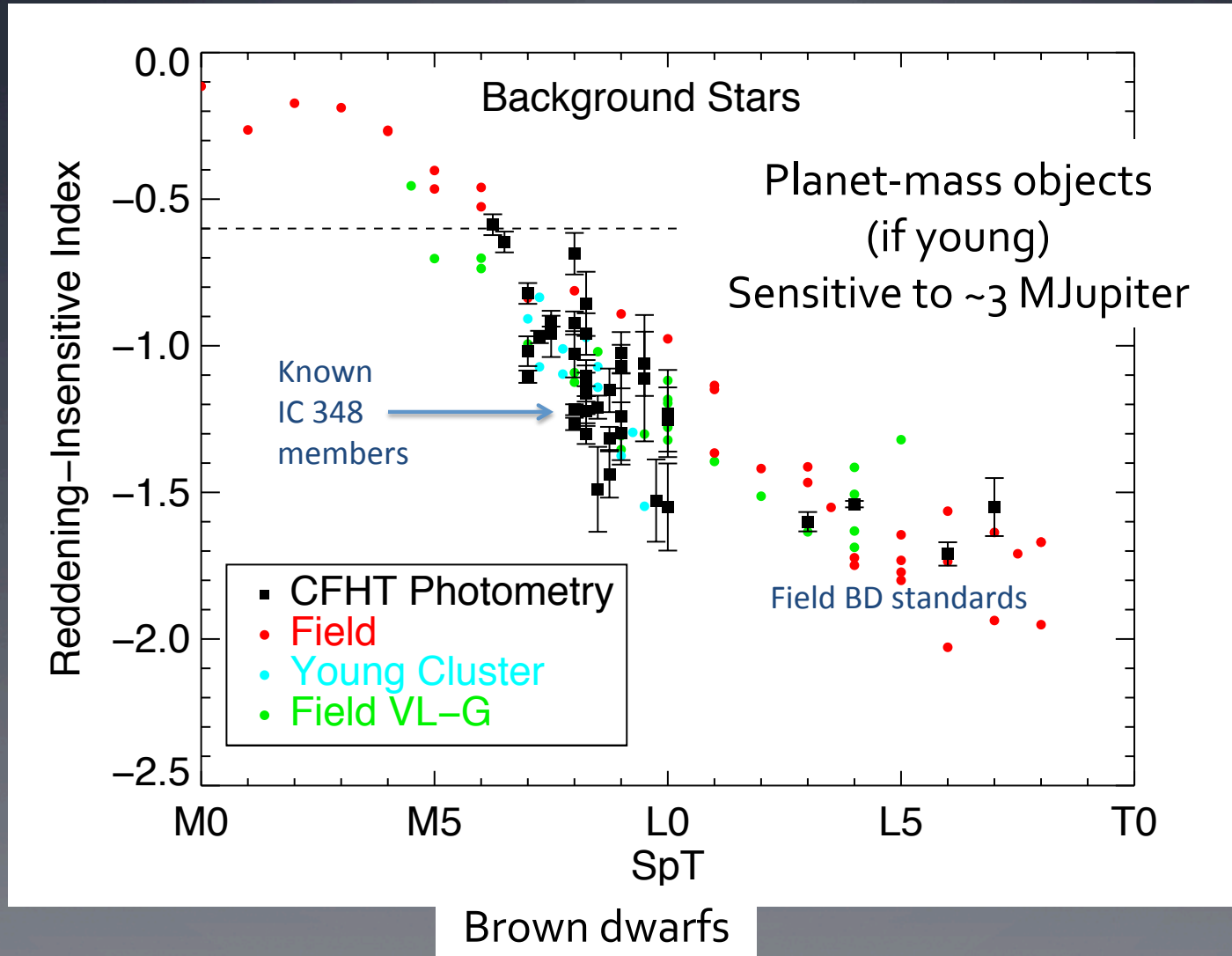


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Builds on successful W-band search with UH88 (Allers & Liu 2010)  
Needs Maunakea (or other dry site)

# Discovering the youngest free-floating planets: a transformative CFHT survey with the novel W(ater)-band





# Follow-up spectroscopic confirmation

EAO-Subaru DDT, PI Po-Shih Chiang (NCU-Taiwan)

Co-Is: UK, CA, FR, CN, TW, USA

1 night on IRCS through EAO  
mostly weathered out

Other spectroscopic facilities:

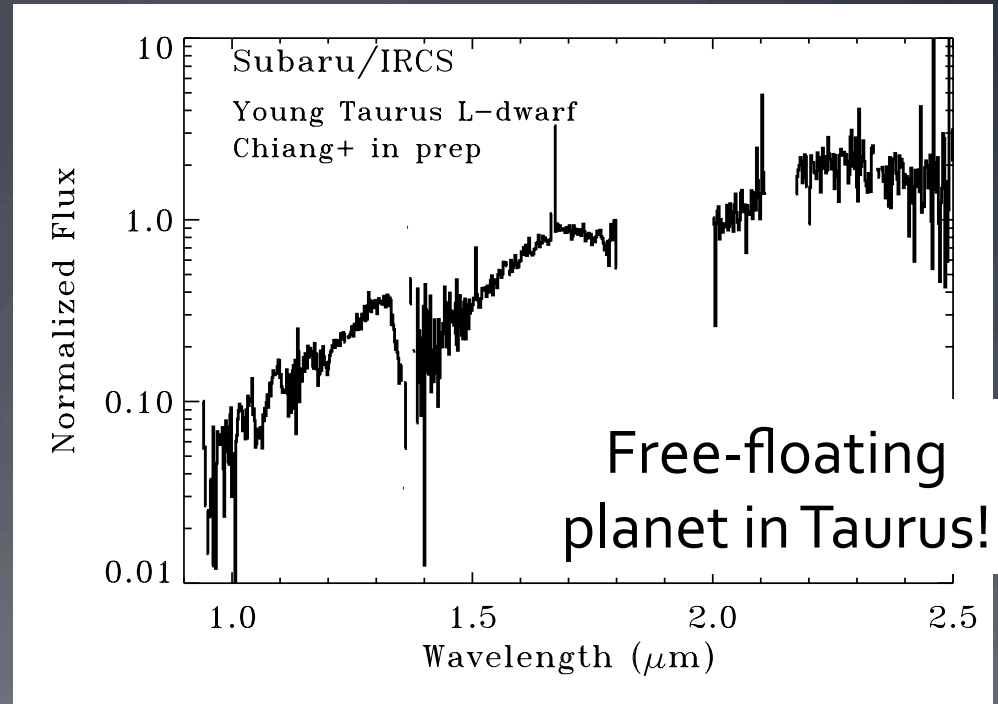
Palomar/TripleSpec

IRTF/SpeX

CTIO

Gemini

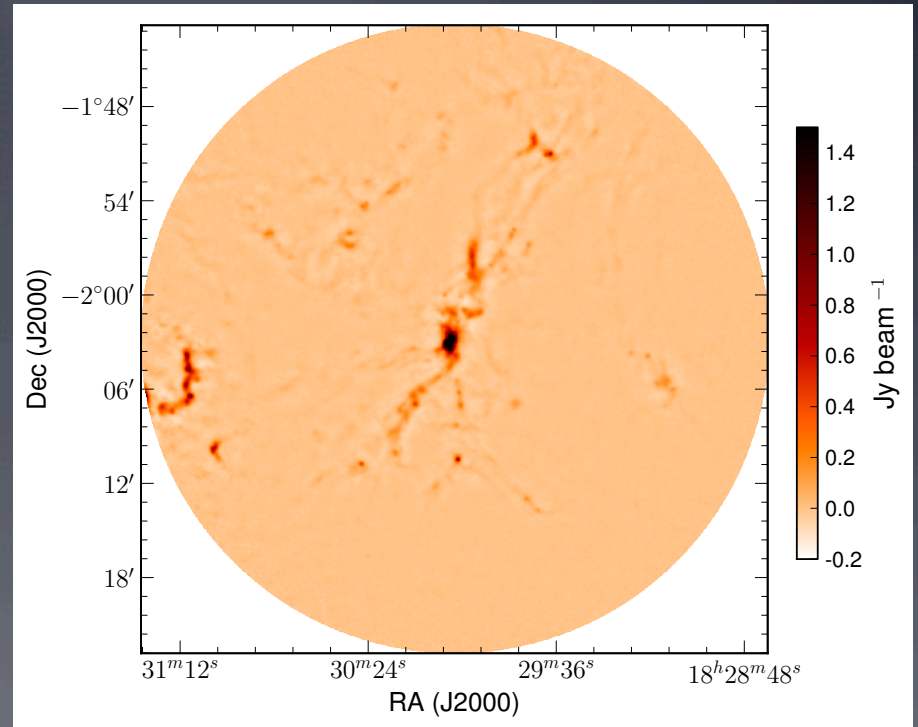
Proposals for high resolution  
imaging



Free-floating planets: Complements SCExAO planet search

# The EAO-JCMT Transient search for variable protostars: how to stars gain their mass?

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**Plus ~60 additional team members**

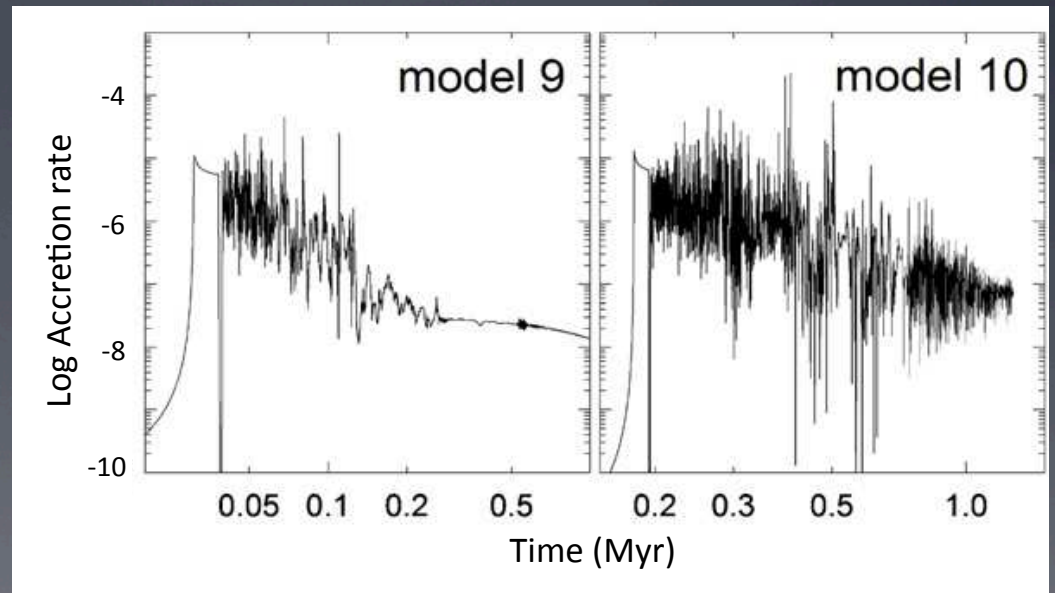
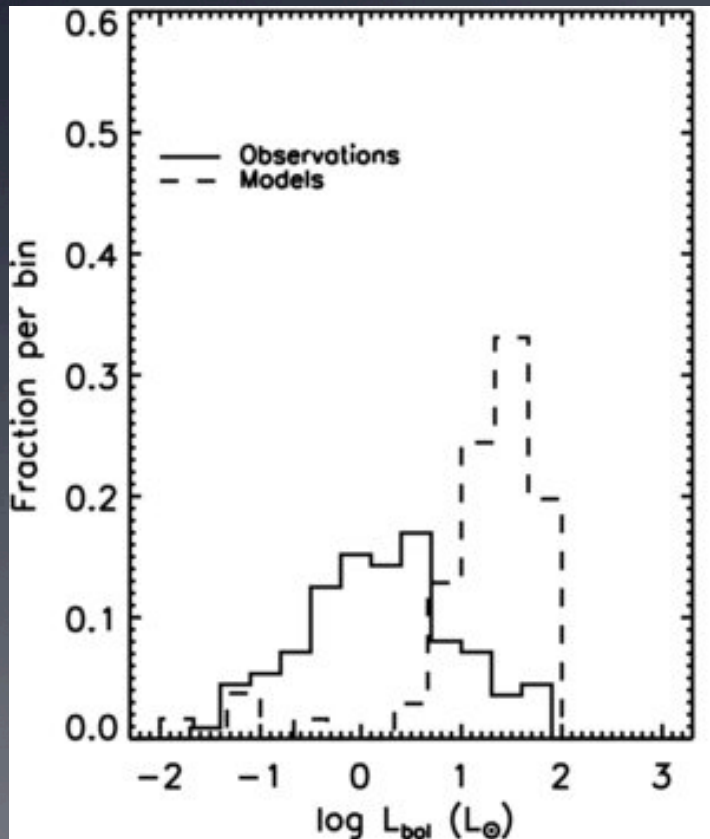


Monthly monitoring with SCUBA2 (850 micron continuum) of 8 nearby star-forming regions (30' diameter). Large team to exploit many science goals.

**First sub-mm monitoring campaign!**



# Luminosity problem: protostars are too faint!

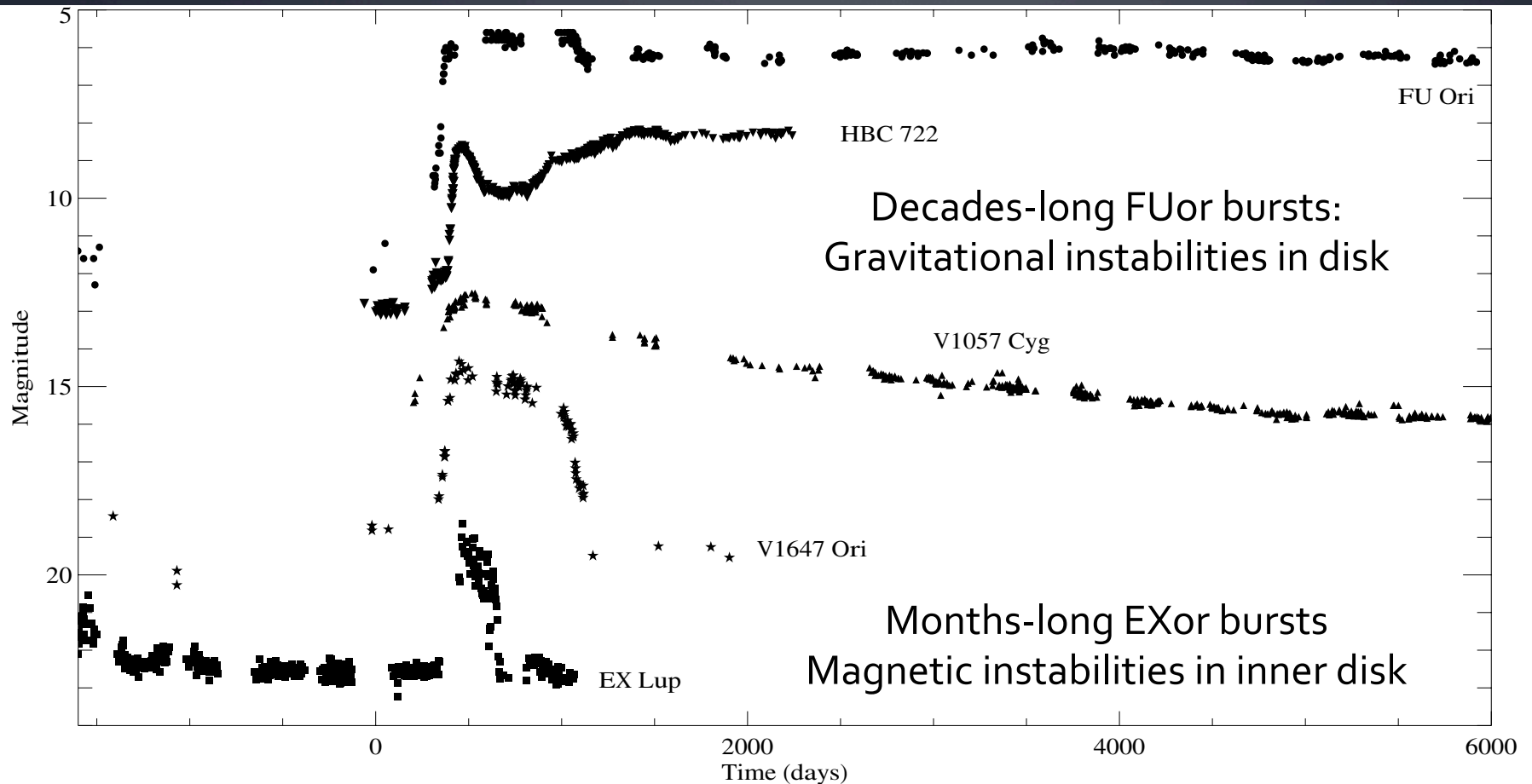


Models from Dunham & Vorobyov (2012)

Protostars are fainter than expected  
(Kenyon+1990; Dunham et al. 2009)

# Accretion outbursts of young stars

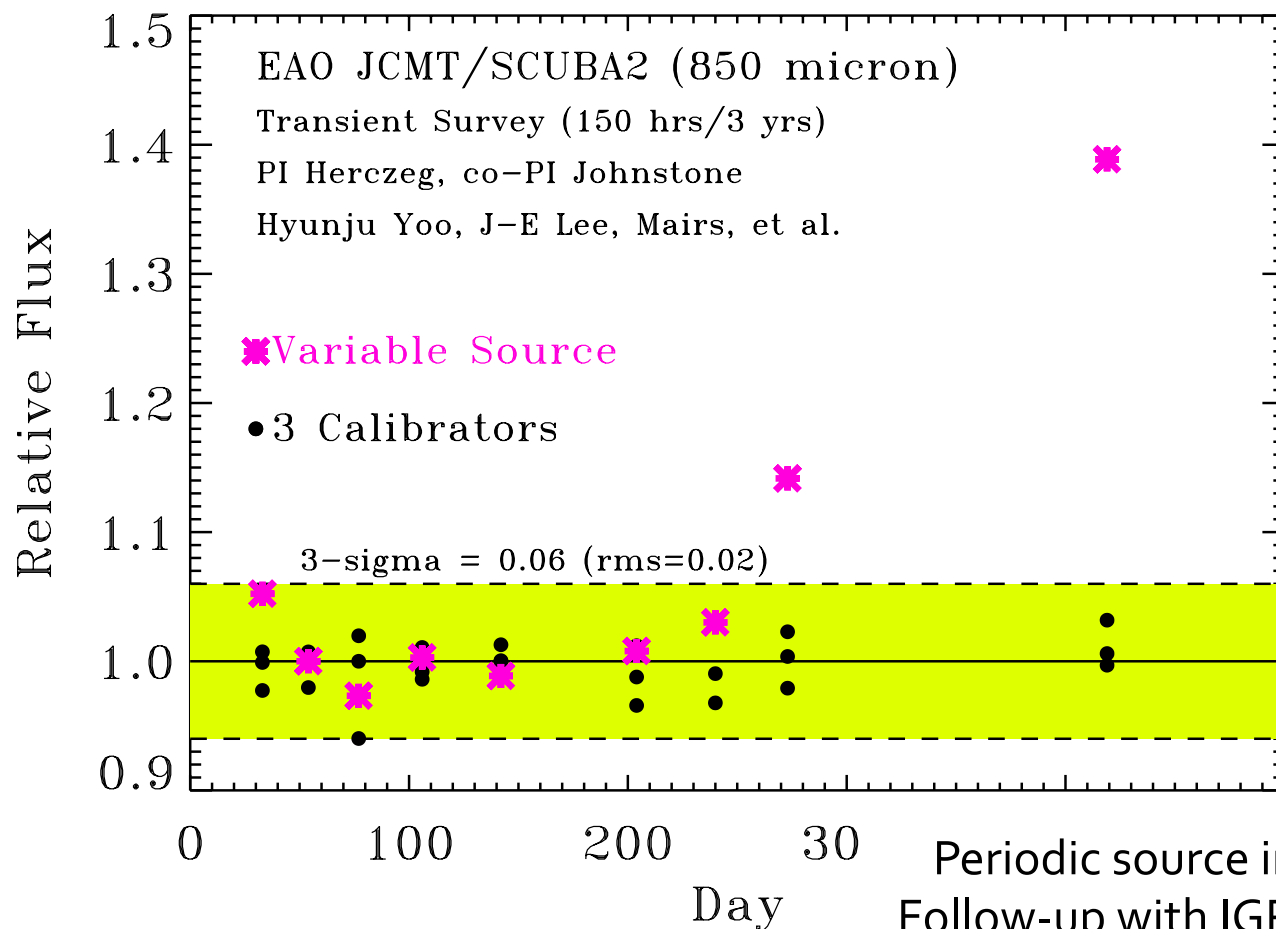
(adapted from Kospal+2011)



Youngest protostars are deeply embedded, not optically visible



# The EAO-JCMT Transient search for variable protostars: how to stars gain their mass? (Herczeg+, Mairs+, Yoo+ in prep)



Periodic source in near-IR:  
Follow-up with IGRINS, other  
resources (Subaru?) in 2018A

# Star and Planet Formation with EAO

- Optical/near-IR: star formation histories, disk evolution
  - Characterize the very low-mass populations versus environment
  - Measure populations, ages for recent star formation history
- Confirmation/characterization of very low mass objects
  - also SCExAO!
- EAO/JCMT: active star formation
  - Transient: a novel variability survey; possible synergies with Subary

EAO-DDT, 6 nts/yr: follow-up spectroscopy, small experiments

Ambitious programs (SCExAO, IRD) would need to develop through partnerships/time (EAO/JCMT as example);

How to collaborate, build a community, and access SSP knowledge to optimize use of smaller amounts of time?