

# Massive Star Formation at the **SMA**

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#### SMA publications on massive stars:





#### What did we do? 2005 2006 2007

- 5 papers on Orion
  - 3 papers from a PhD thesis
- 6 papers searching for disks in outflow sources
- 4 papers on Multiplicity in HMSFR
- 1 paper on 321 GHz H<sub>2</sub>O maser
- 1 paper on recombination lines in HCHII regions



## PhD thesis on Orion

- Luis Zapata supervised by Paul Ho
- Study the relationship of molecular outflows to HH outflows
- Suggestion that SiO(5-4) is a tracer of "young" outflows





# Search for rotating disks assoc. with outflows

- Search through 6 outflow regions and ~30 lines for a reliable tracer showing evidence of rotation and hence a disk
- IRAS 18<mark>089-17</mark>32
- IRAS 18182-1433
- IRAS 2315+5912
- G29.96+<mark>0</mark>.02
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- Ceph A East
- AFGL 5142

HCOOCH<sub>3</sub> None found  $CH_3OH(7_{1,7} - 6_{1,6})_{v=1}$  $HN^{13}C$  $HC_3N(37-36)_{v=7}$  $CH_3CN$  $CH_3CN$  Beuther et al 2005 Beuther et al 2006a Beuther et al 2006b

Beuther et a<mark>l</mark> 2007 Patel et al 2005 <mark>Zhang et</mark> al 2007



#### Disk+Outflow: Motivation

- 2 Theories of Massive Star Formation
- Bate, Bonnell, Zinnecker 1998
  - Massive stars cannot form by accretion because of radiation pressure.
  - Therefore they form by stellar captures/collisions
- McKee & Tan 2003
  - Massive stars form the same way as Larson (1969) suggested for low mass stars (Jeans mass in a free-fall time), but high mass stars form in higher density gas



#### Search for disks

- Observers decided that if you could find one example of a massive star forming by accretion, then this would demonstrate that massive stars form by fragmentation and gravitational collapse.
- 5 articles in Nature about disks around stars 10 20  $M_{\odot}$ .
  - Chini et al 2004
  - Sako et al 2005
  - Beltran et al 2005
  - Jiang et al 2005
  - Patel et al 2005 (SMA) Ceph A



### Disk + outflow observations

Patel et al 2005 (SMA) Ceph A



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### Multiplicity

5 papers on multiplicity in massive star formation





#### A complex flow

Ceph A

#### Brogan et al 2007





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## **Rotation and Multiplicity**

#### Spin-Up and Fragmentation ?

 As a cloud contracts, both spin-up and fragmentation occur simultaneously. Fragments may contain stars of different mass and evolutionary times and therefore different chemistries.





#### SMA / VLA

- Comparison of SMA vs VLA lines as diagnostics
  - 22 / 321 GHz masers
  - mm / cm radio recombination lines
- New techniques: One paper each



#### 22 / 321 GHz H<sub>2</sub>O Maser

- H2O maser emission is associated with shocked gas
- Excitation is not entirely understood
  - 22 and 321 by collisions
  - 183 // by radiation
- (Neufeld & Melnick 1990) (Kuiper et al 1984)
- One SMA observation of Ceph A suggests
  - 321 GHz masers in outflows
  - 22 GHz masers in disks
  - 321 without 22 ??

#### Patel et al 2007





#### Radio Recombination lines

- RRL broadening
  - Gas density
    - 1 / Frequency 4th power
  - Gas motions
    - Frequency independent



- SMA / VLA
  - H30 $\alpha$  (SMA) no broadening up to 10<sup>8</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>
    - Supersonic velocities in HII regions
  - H76 $\alpha$  (VLA) excess width
    - High density in optically thick ionized gas



# SMA Accomplishments in Massive Star Formation 2005-2007

- PhD Thesis on outflows in Orion
- Observations of Multiplicity and rotating accretion flows
  - A better understanding of how to use the information in multiple molecular lines?
  - A possibility of clustered massive star formation by spinup and fragmentation ??
  - SMA / VLA diagnostics