SMA/ALMA Synergies





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landscape of mm/submm interferometers



CARMA



6x10m+9x6m +8x3.5m

IRAM PdBI



6(→12)x15m

ALMA



54x12m+12x7m

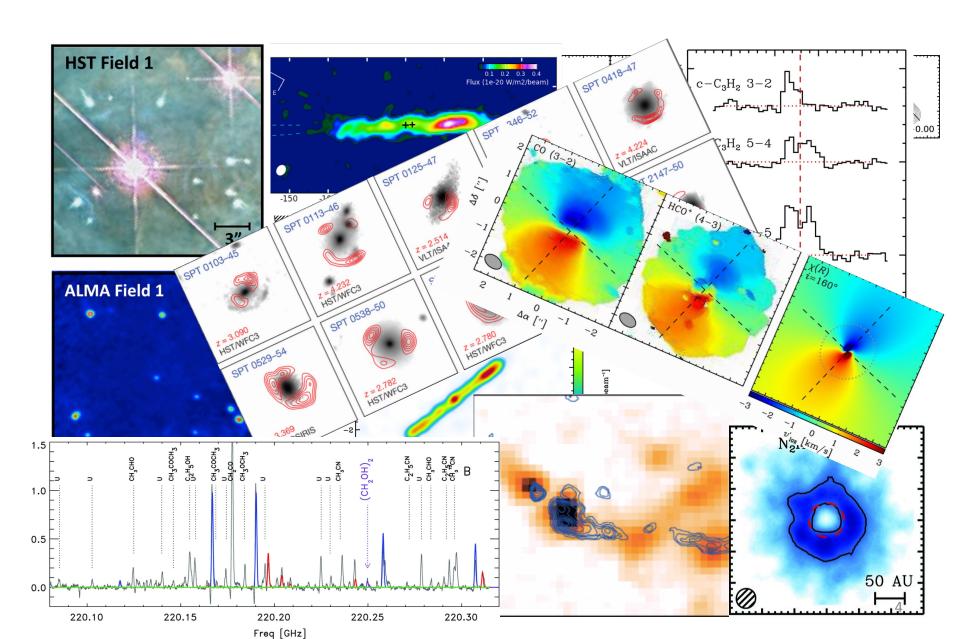
25x SMA sensitivity and resolution

the ALMA Era is well underway

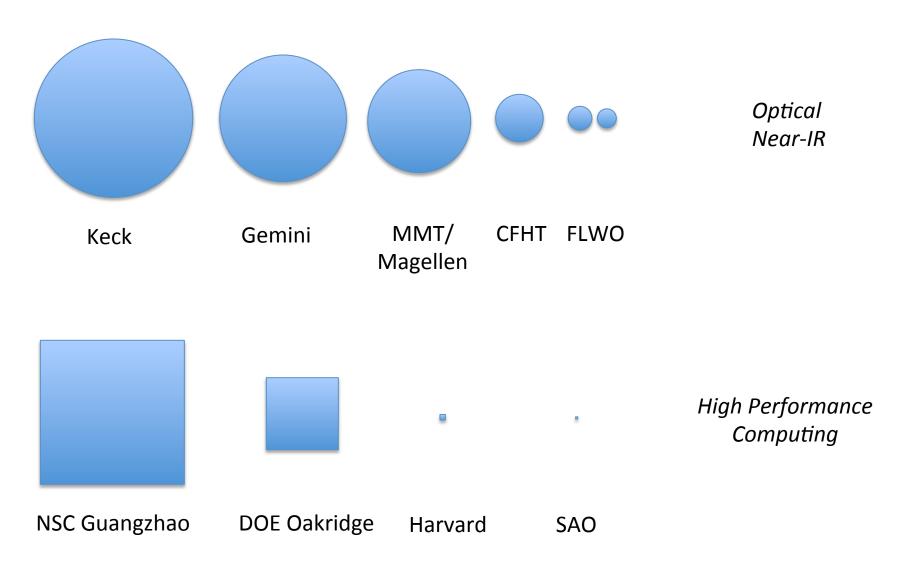
- early science observations started in September 2011
- overwhelming worldwide community interest
 - Cycle 0: 919 submitted proposals
 - Cycle 1: 1133 submitted proposals
 - Cycle 2: 1381 submitted proposals (most ever for any observatory)
- time allocation NA:EU:EA:CL = 34:34:22:10
- more than 100 projects archived and publicly available
- enhancement of capabilities to continue indefinitely



26/116 refereed ALMA papers from CfA authors



facilities of different scales coexist and thrive



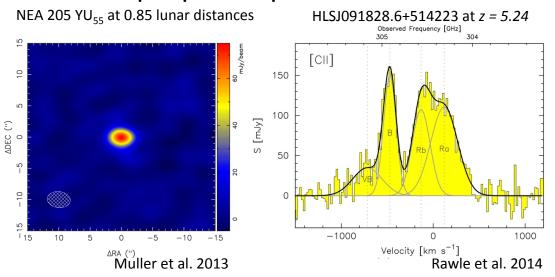
SMA is Highly Productive and in Demand

 high resolution imaging and spectroscopy at mm/submm wavelengths is required to address a broad range of key questions in astronomy (e.g. Astro2010 Science Frontier Panels)

scientific insight not always limited by sensitivity/resolution

> 80 refereed papers per year

> 100 proposals per semester

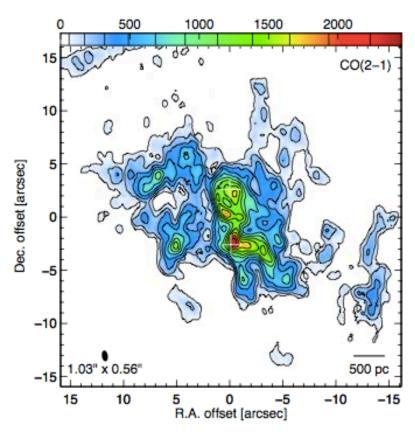




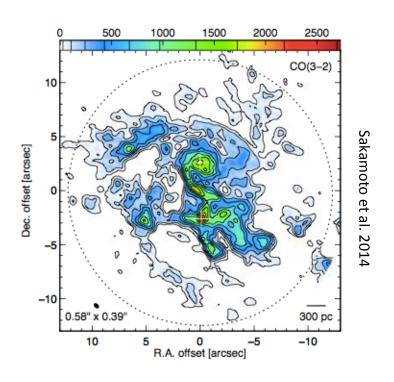
SMA Science in the ALMA Era

- 1. studies of "bright" targets
 - flexibility, spectral coverage, rapid response
 - expect continued discoveries and breakthroughs
- 2. focused large scale programs (Keto)
 - build samples to probe correlations, evolution, etc.
- 3. preparatory investigations for ALMA
 - select targets, refine methods, optimize return
- 4. access to northern sky
 - known (and unknown) important sources
- 5. key element of Event Horizon Telescope (Doeleman)
 - correlating directly with ALMA

NGC 3256 Infrared-Luminous Merger (dec -44)

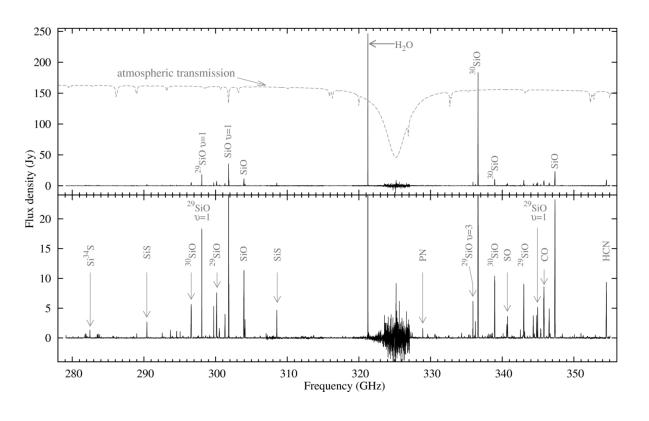


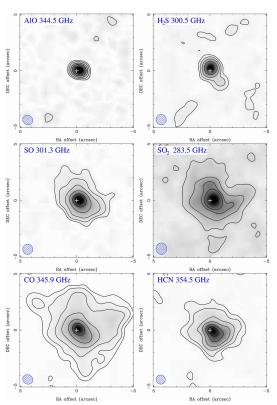
SMA CO 2-1 3 configurations (6-8 ants) 13h on-source



ALMA CO 3-2 2 configurations (20+ ants) 1.5h on source

SMA Spectral Line and Imaging Survey of VY CMa

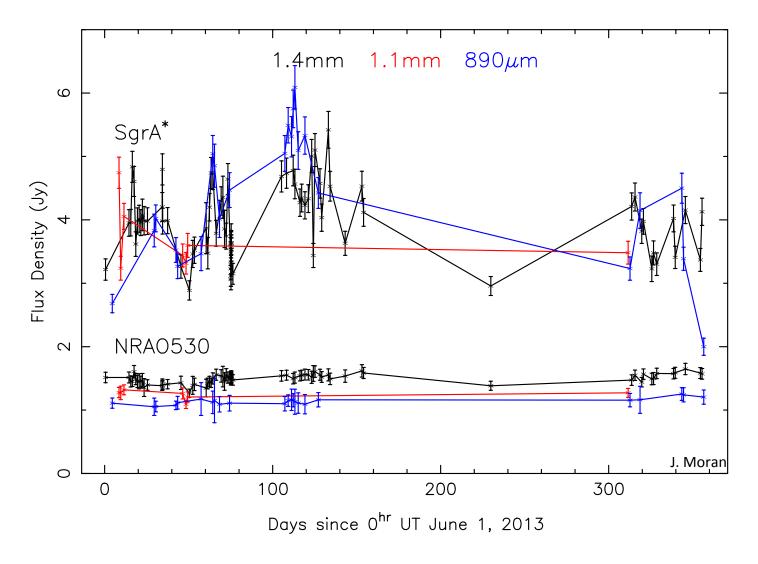




223 features from 19 molecules (including first detection of TiO₂) imaged at <1 arcsec resolution

Kaminski et al. 2014

SMA SgrA*-G2 Flux Density Monitoring



>100 dedicated observations in the past year

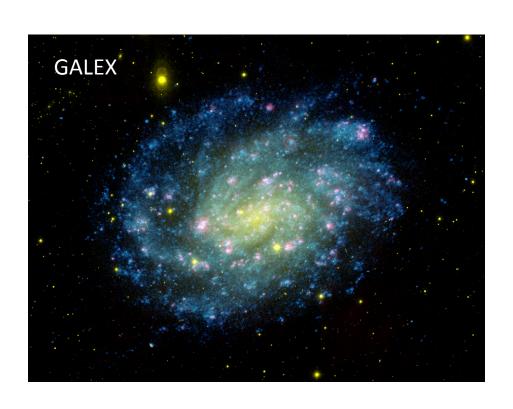
Preparatory Investigations for ALMA: Cycle 2 High Priority Programs

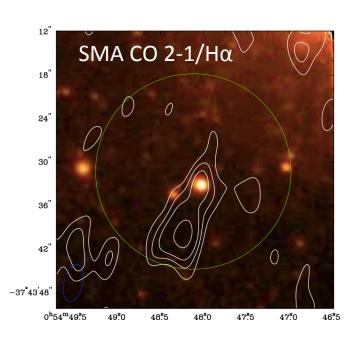
- 53/353 worldwide have CfA authors
- SMA data have played a pivotal role in Cycle 2 proposal development for CfA personnel
 - all 9 programs with a CfA PI
 - at least 23/44 programs with a CfA co-I
- similarly influential for programs with Taiwan Pl's



• Lada (2013.1.00088.S)

"Testing Schmidt's Conjecture in NGC 300: Bridging the Gap between Galactic and Extragalactic Star Formation"

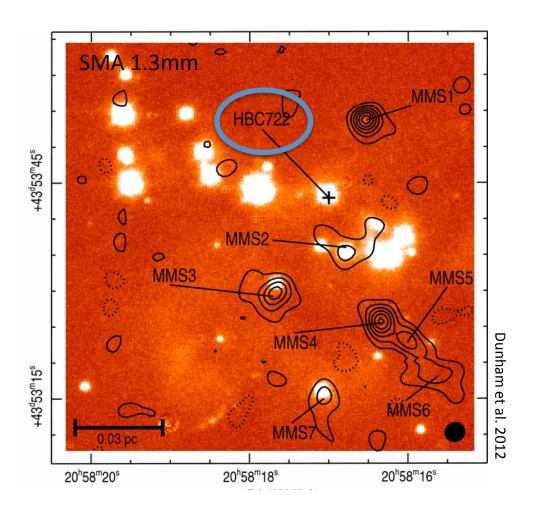




survey 48 CO clouds to build up statistics

• Dunham (2013.1.00586.S)

"The Mass Accretion Reservoir Surrounding a Variably Accreting Young Star"

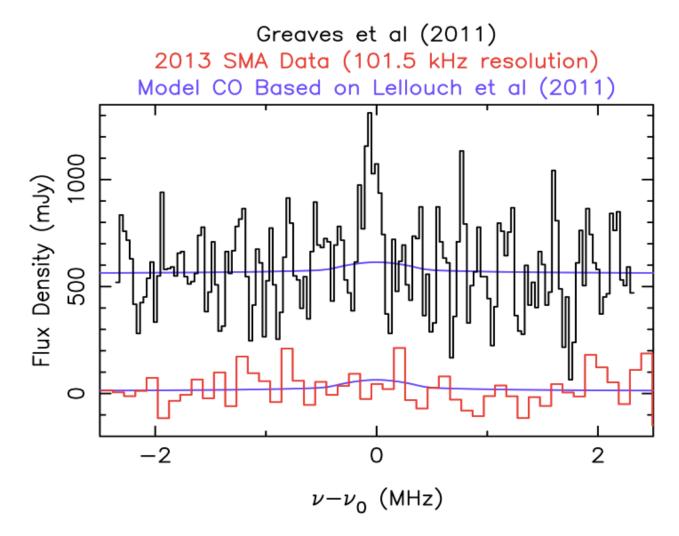


FU Ori object HBC 722 M_{disk}< 0.02 M_☉

disk mass and burst mechanism?

Gurwell (2013.1.00446.S)

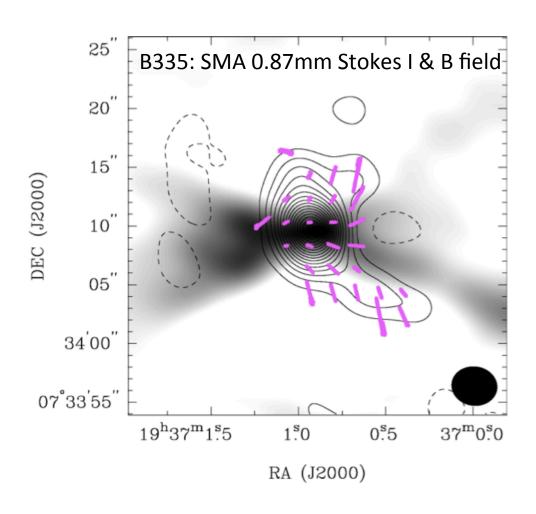
"Characterizing the Atmosphere and Surface of Pluto"



CO 2-1 emission expected based on infrared ice obs.

Maury (2013.1.01380.S)

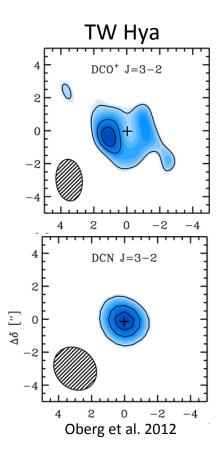
"Testing Magnetic Breaking in the Class 0 B335"



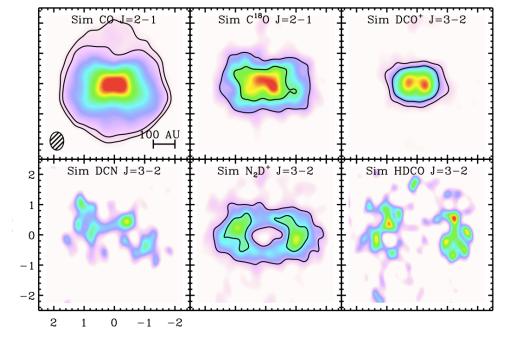
angular momentum dissipation for young protostars?

Oberg (2013.1.00226.S)

"A Survey of Deuterium Chemistry in Protoplanetary Disks







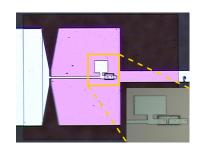
DCO⁺ and DCN distributions in 6 sources selected from SMA disk chemistry survey

Testbed for Technologies and Techniques

- CfA mm/submm leadership, experience, expertise
- modest scale allows SMA to drive/adapt to innovation
 - -2x2x4 →8 (→??) GHz bandwidth with high spectral resolution
- wideband, high frequency receivers (Tong)
 - e.g. series connected distributed SIS mixers
- SWARM correlator (Weintroub)
 - based on CASPER ROACH-2 FPGA boards



- SMA informs models for Titan (Gurwell), Galilean moons, Ceres,
 Uranus/ESA 4; ALMA Memo #594 "Butler-JPL-Horizons 2012"
- NSF ALMA development funds opportunity
 - ALMA Phasing Project (Doeleman)
 - Next Generation Image Viewer (Goodman)





Expert Education and Training

- hands-on, all aspects, in the CfA environment
- former postdocs and students →



















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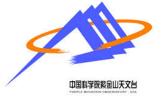


















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 - access to northern sky
 - Event Horizon Telescope (with ALMA)
- testbed for hardware/software development
 - modest scale allows SMA to drive/adapt to innovation
- expert education and training
 - mm/submm astronomy and technology, interferometry

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