

The Potential to Form Planets in the Orion Nebula

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Protoplanetary Disks in the Orion Nebula



Most stars form in rich clusters
Our Solar System formed in a
massive star forming environment.

To understand planet formation,
we need to study disk properties
in massive star forming regions!



HST images of protostars in Orion

Orion Nebula Cluster

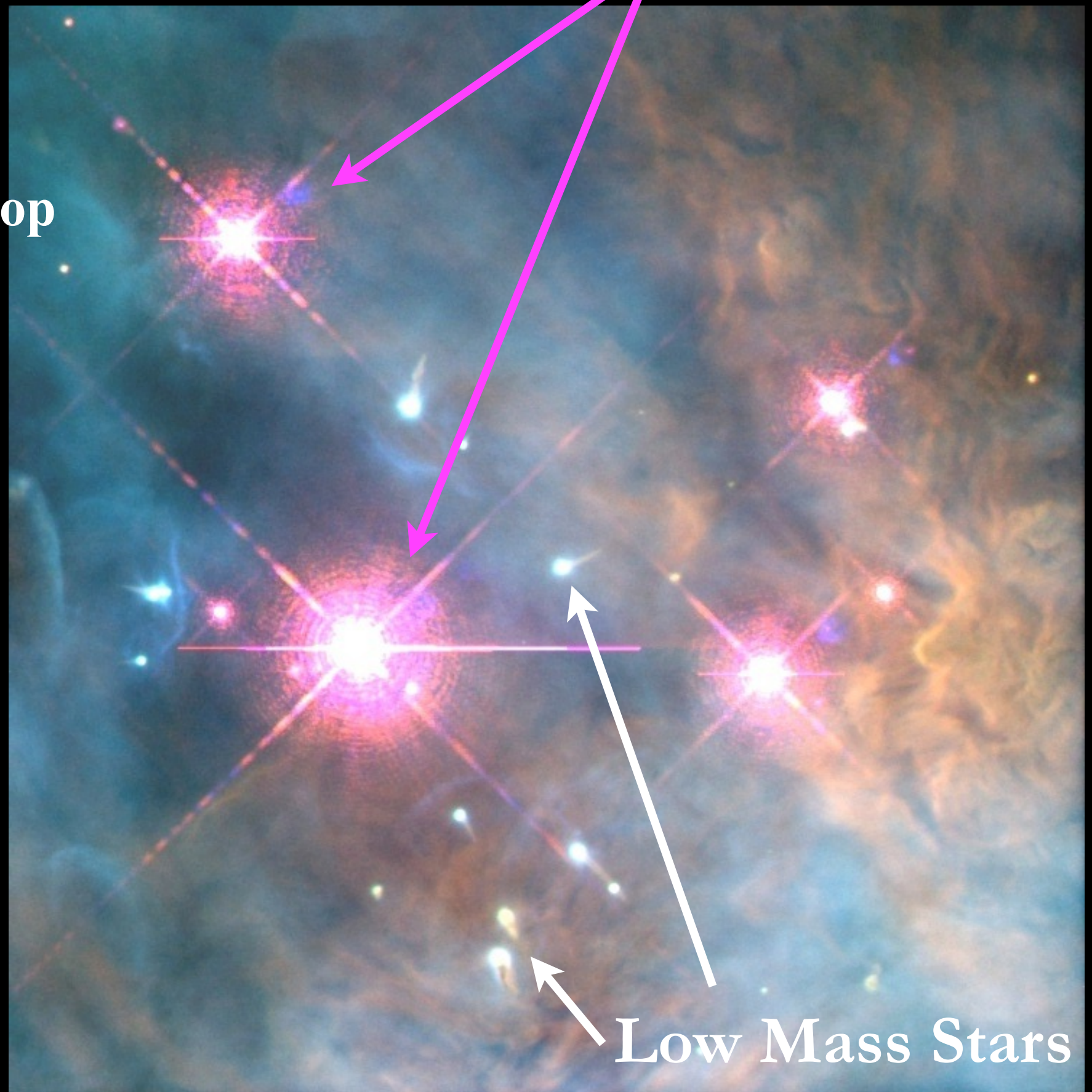
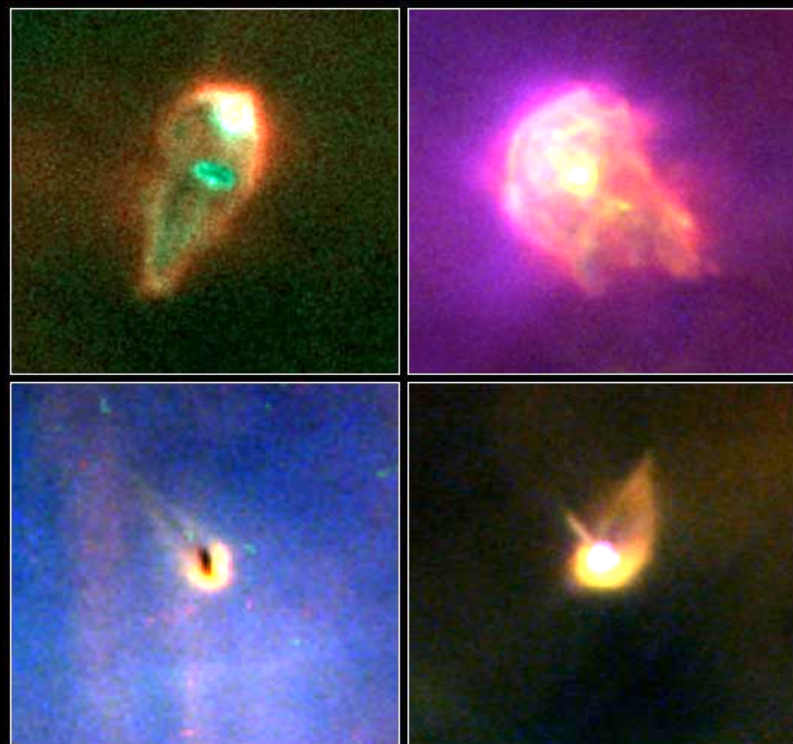
A wide-field astronomical image of the Orion Nebula Cluster. The image shows a vast, colorful nebula with swirling clouds of gas in shades of red, green, and blue. Numerous bright stars are scattered throughout the scene, some appearing as sharp points of light and others as more diffuse, glowing clouds. A red circle highlights a specific region in the upper-middle part of the image, and a red arrow points from the text 'Trapezium Cluster' to this circled area.

Trapezium Cluster

- Thousands of protostars
- Ages $\sim 1\text{-}2$ Myr
- Distance ~ 400 pc
- θ^1 Ori C, $40M_{\odot}$, O6 SpT

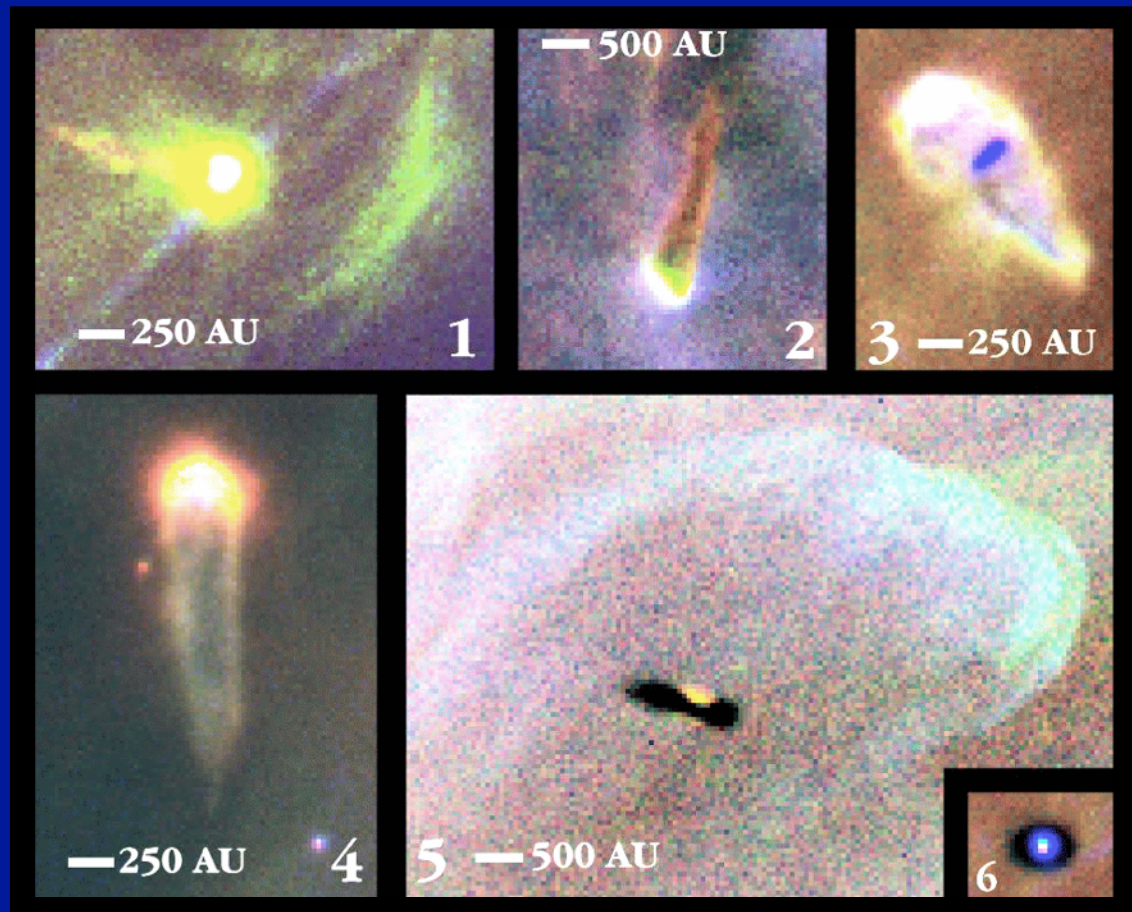
Orion Nebula Cluster

- Hostile environment
- Many low mass stars near θ^1 C have teardrop shaped morphologies



PROPLYDS: PROtoPLanetary DiskS

Photoevaporating Proplyds



C.R. O'Dell

VLA → mass-loss rate of $10^{-7} M_{\odot}/\text{yr}$

Churchwell et al. (1987)

$M_{\text{disk}} < 0.1 M_{\odot}$

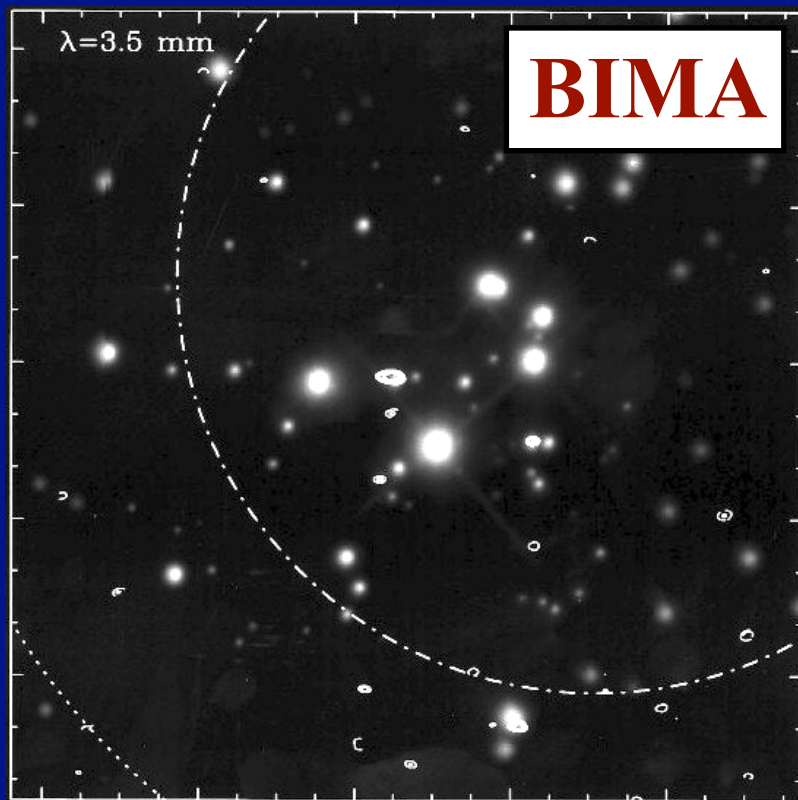
Evaporation Timescales $< 1 \text{ Myr}$

Material removed too quickly!

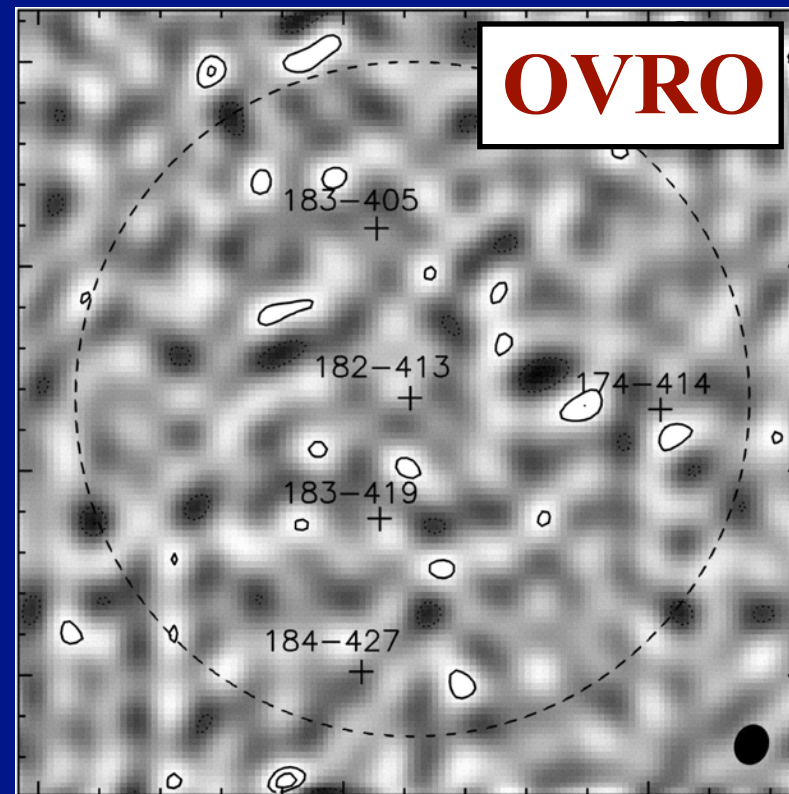
Is planet formation inhibited in rich clusters?

Disk Masses in Orion: Previous Attempts

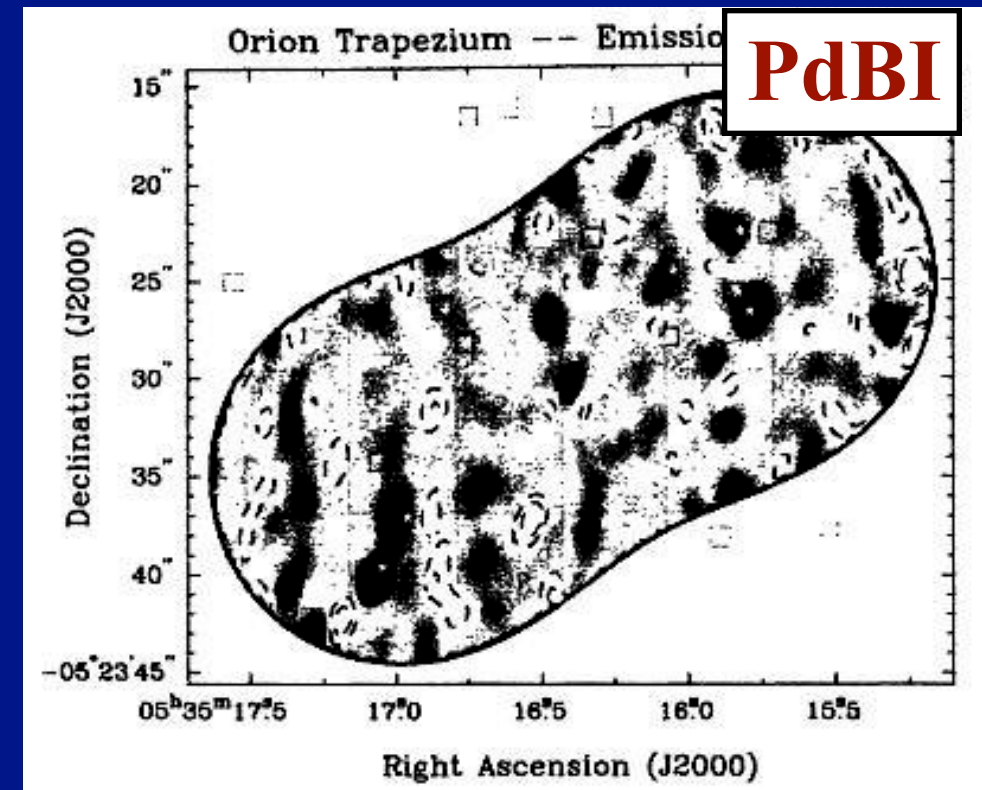
Millimeter Wavelength Interferometers (clustered disks)



Mundy et al. (1995)
 $\lambda = 3.5$ mm
low sensitivity



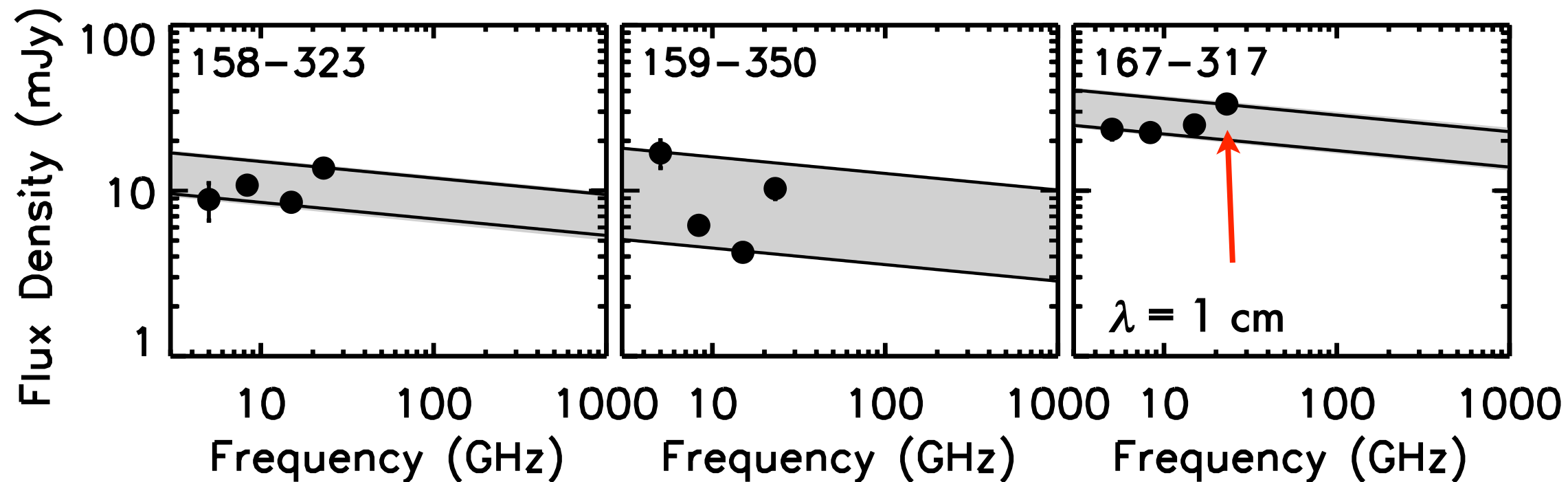
Bally et al. (1998)
 $\lambda = 1.3$ mm
no detections
 $M_{\text{disk}} \approx 15 M_{\text{JUP}}$



Lada (1999)
 $\lambda = 1.3$ mm
never published

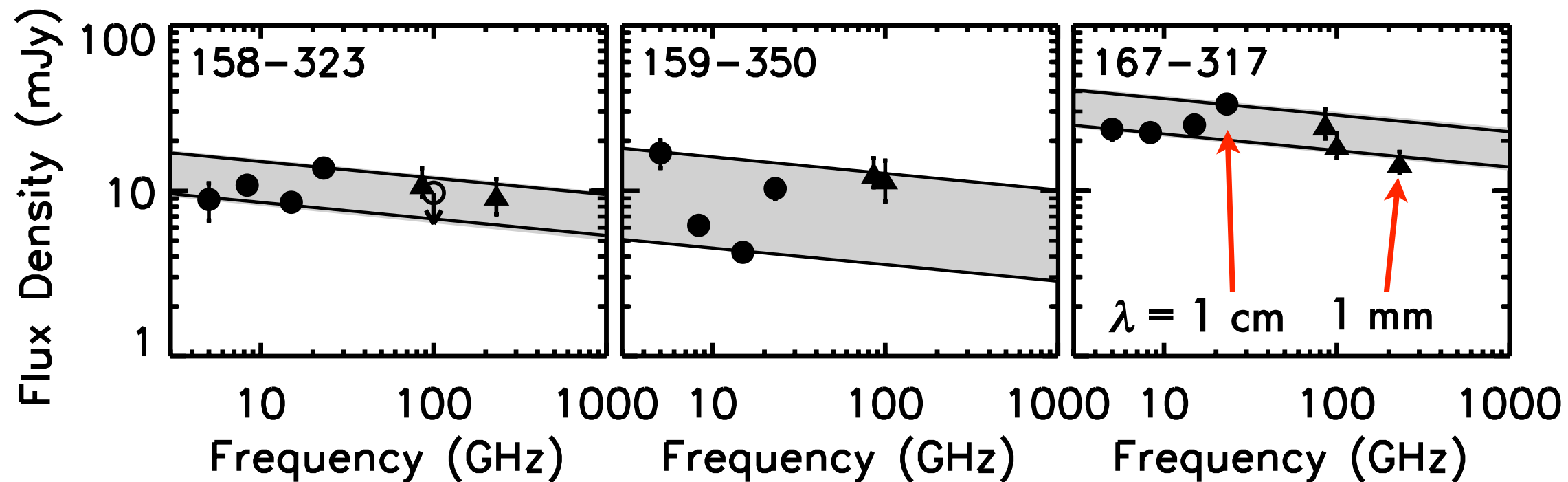
Radio-Submillimeter SED

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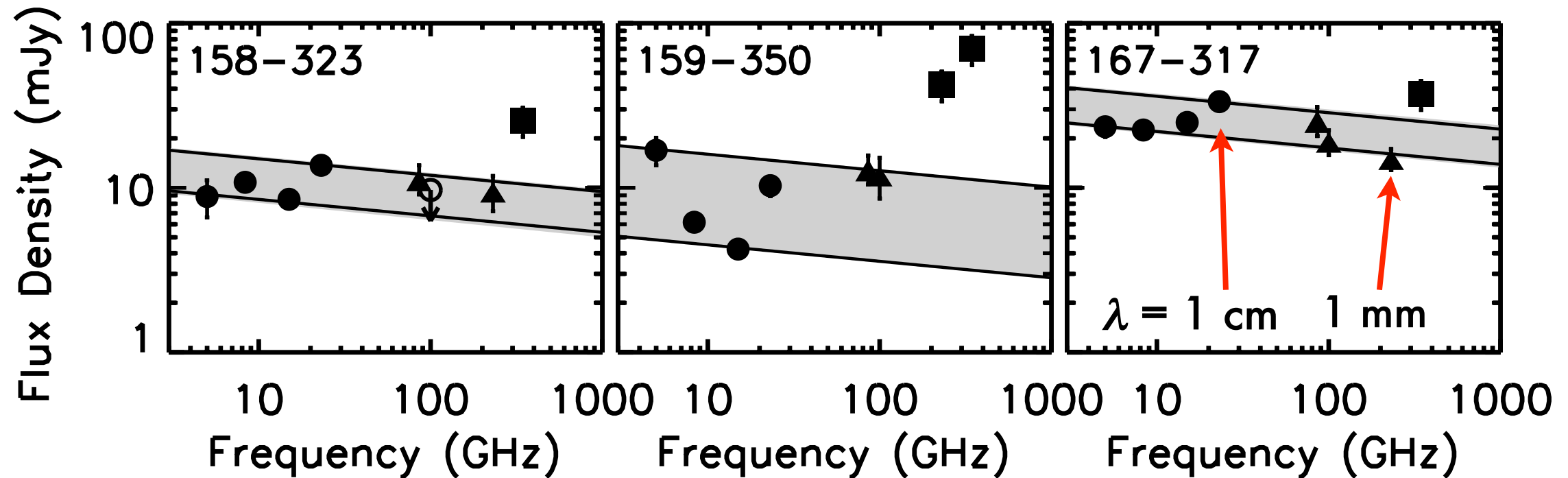
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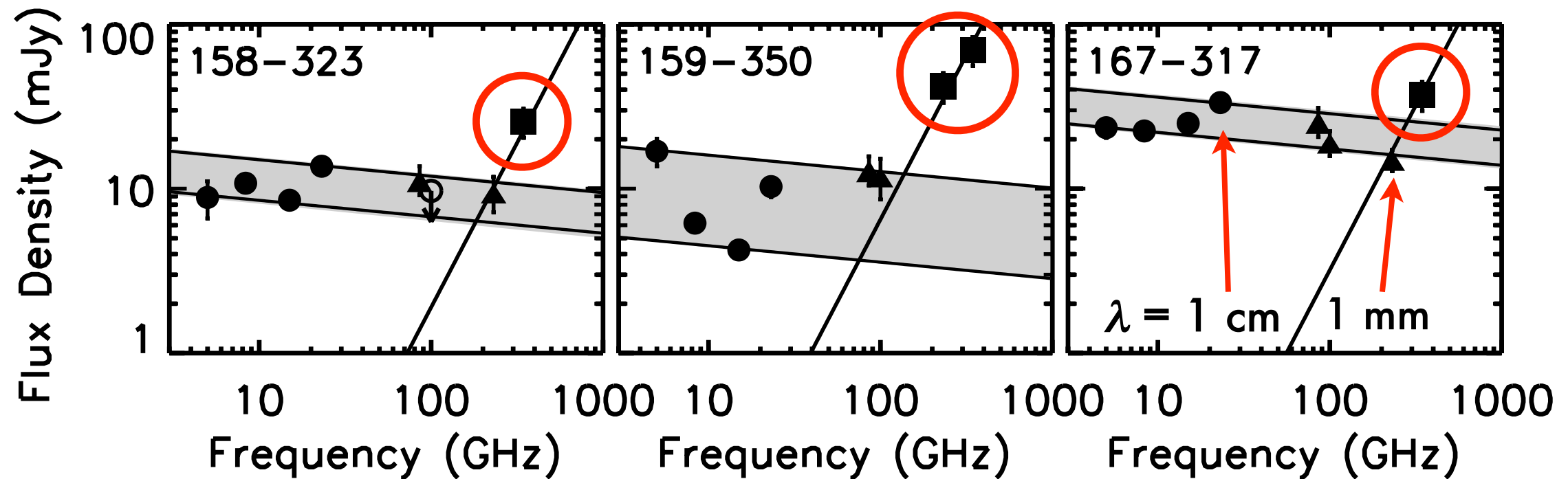


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→ Interferometry with the Submillimeter Array at $850 \mu\text{m}$

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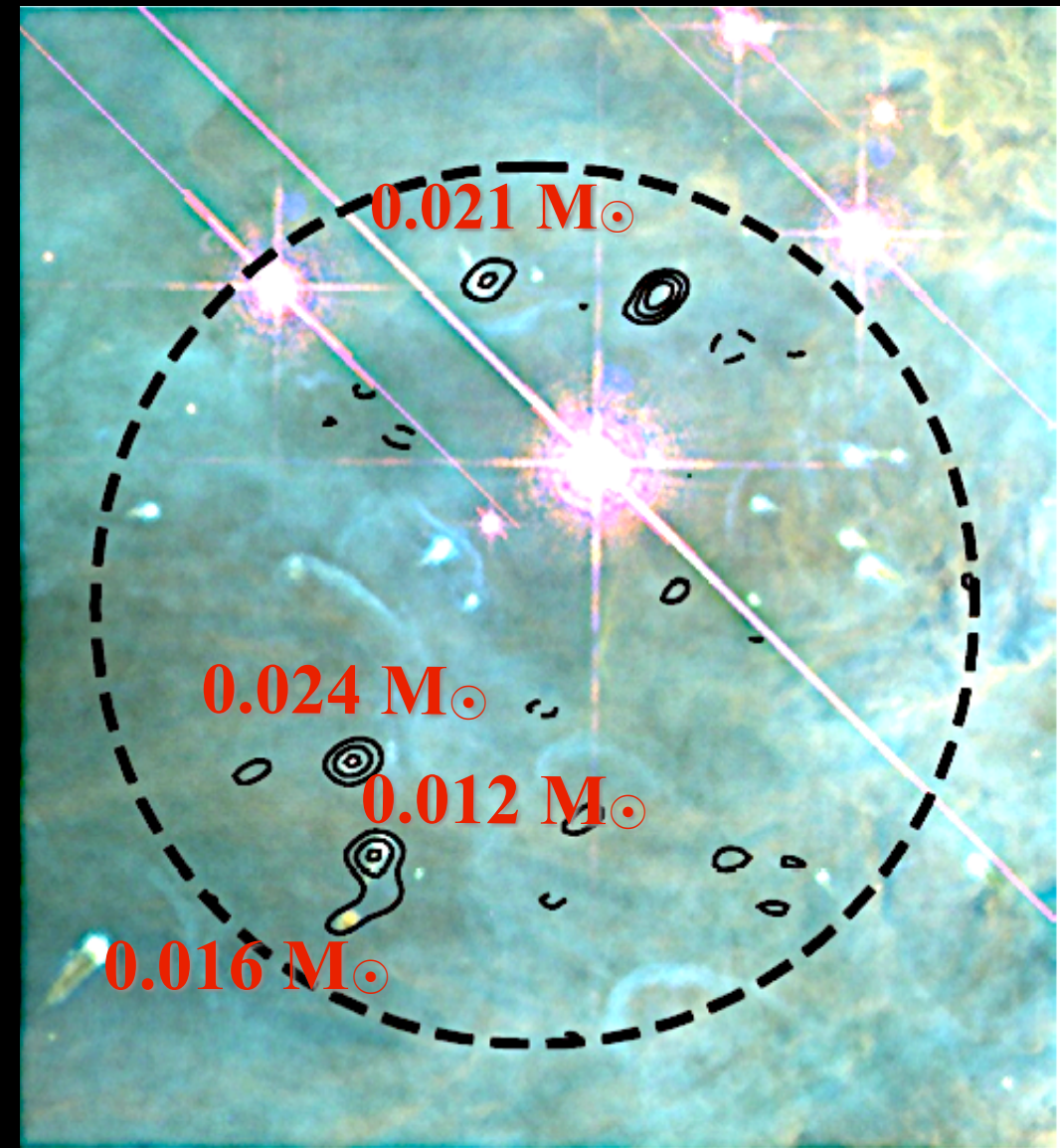
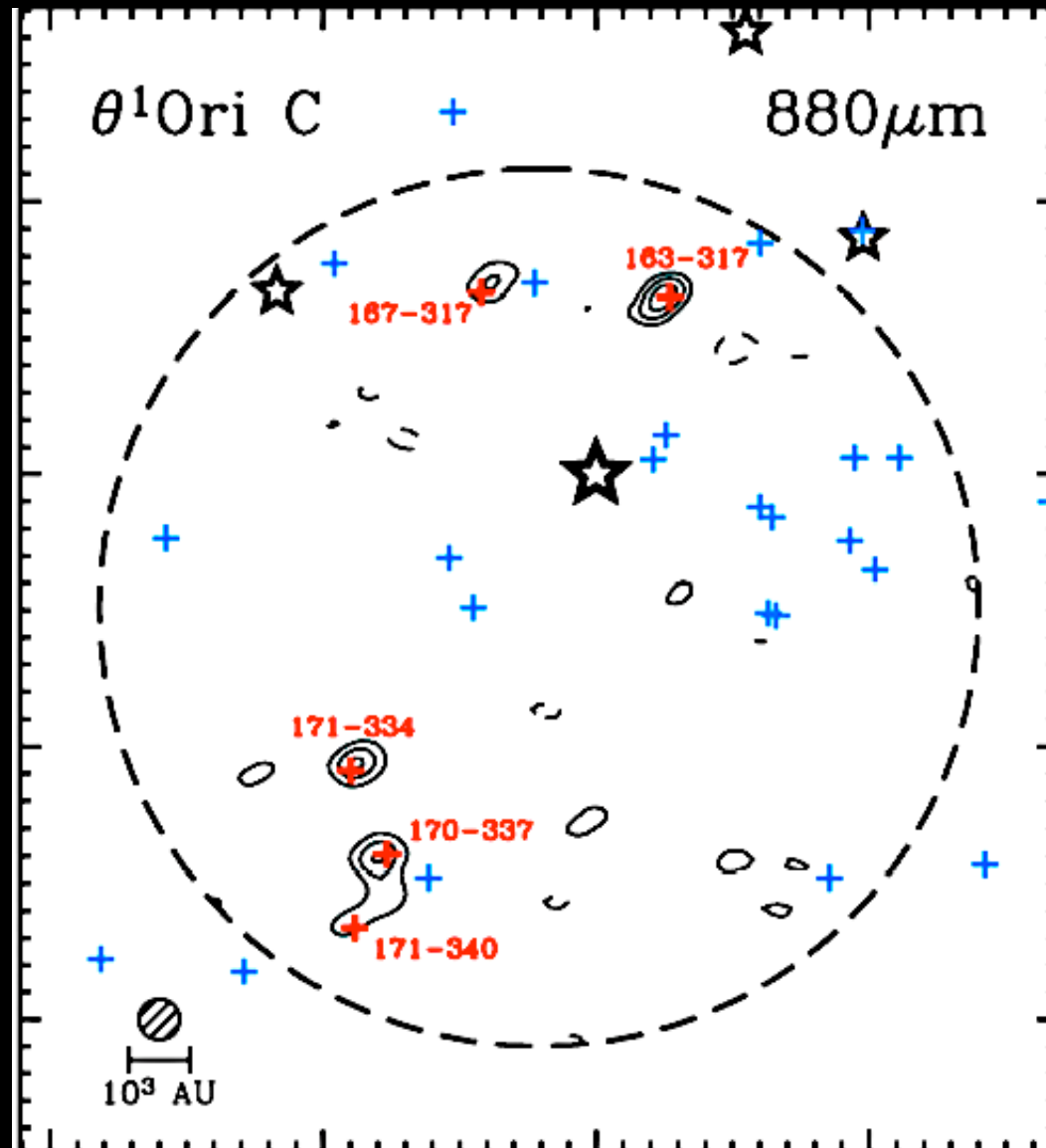
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Submillimeter Array Pilot Study: First Masses of the Orion Proplyds *(Williams, Andrews & Wilner 2005)*



4/23 disks detected: $M_{\text{disk}} \sim 0.01 M_{\odot}$ (MMSN)

**At least some proplyds have the potential
to form planets like our own!**

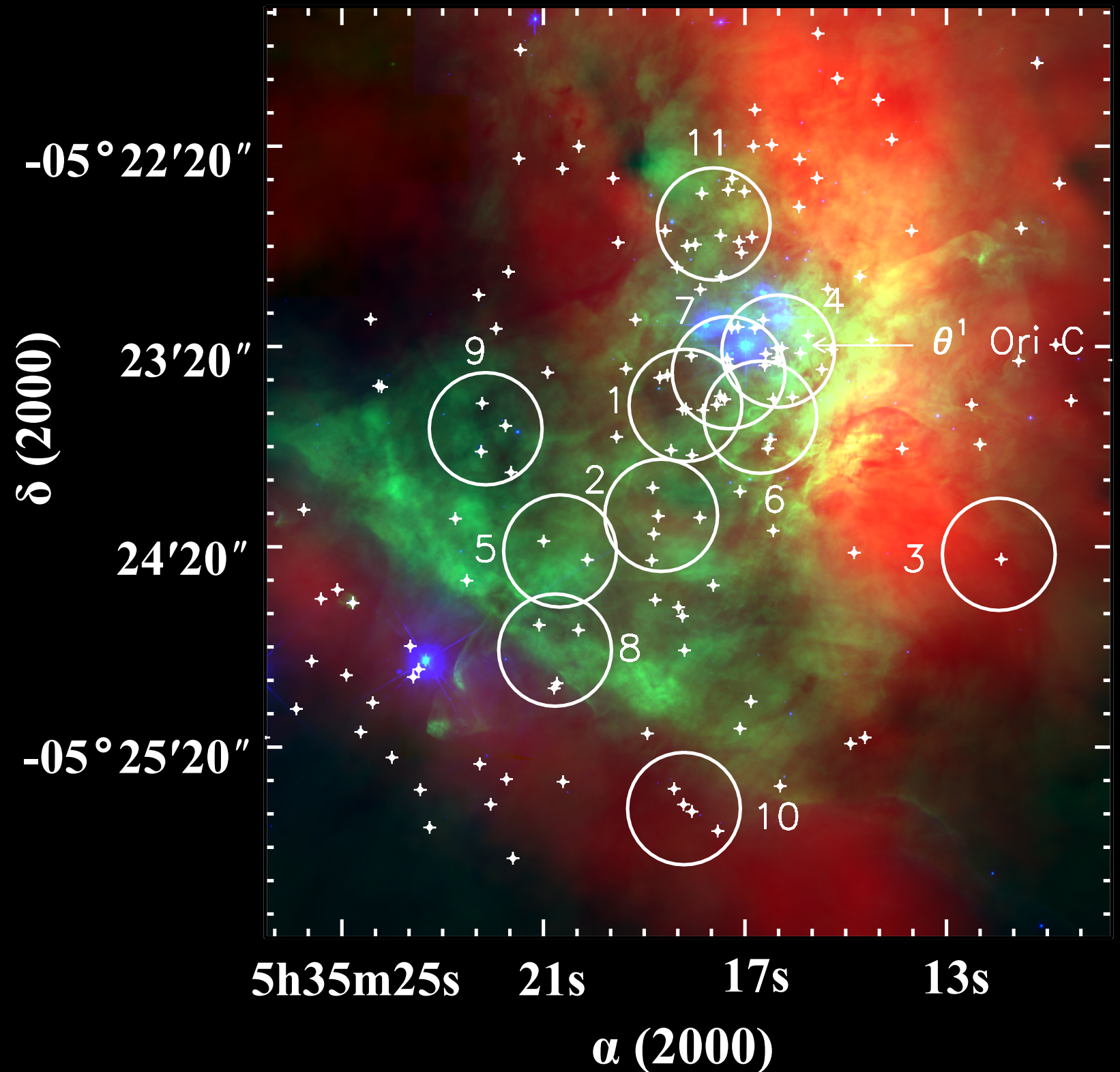
SMA survey of protoplanetary disks in Orion

11 SMA fields at 850 μm
 $\sim 2''$ resolution
 $\sim 1\text{-}2$ mJy rms

55 Orion disks surveyed
within 0.3-pc of
O-star, $\theta^1\text{C}$

28 disks detected at $\geq 3\sigma$

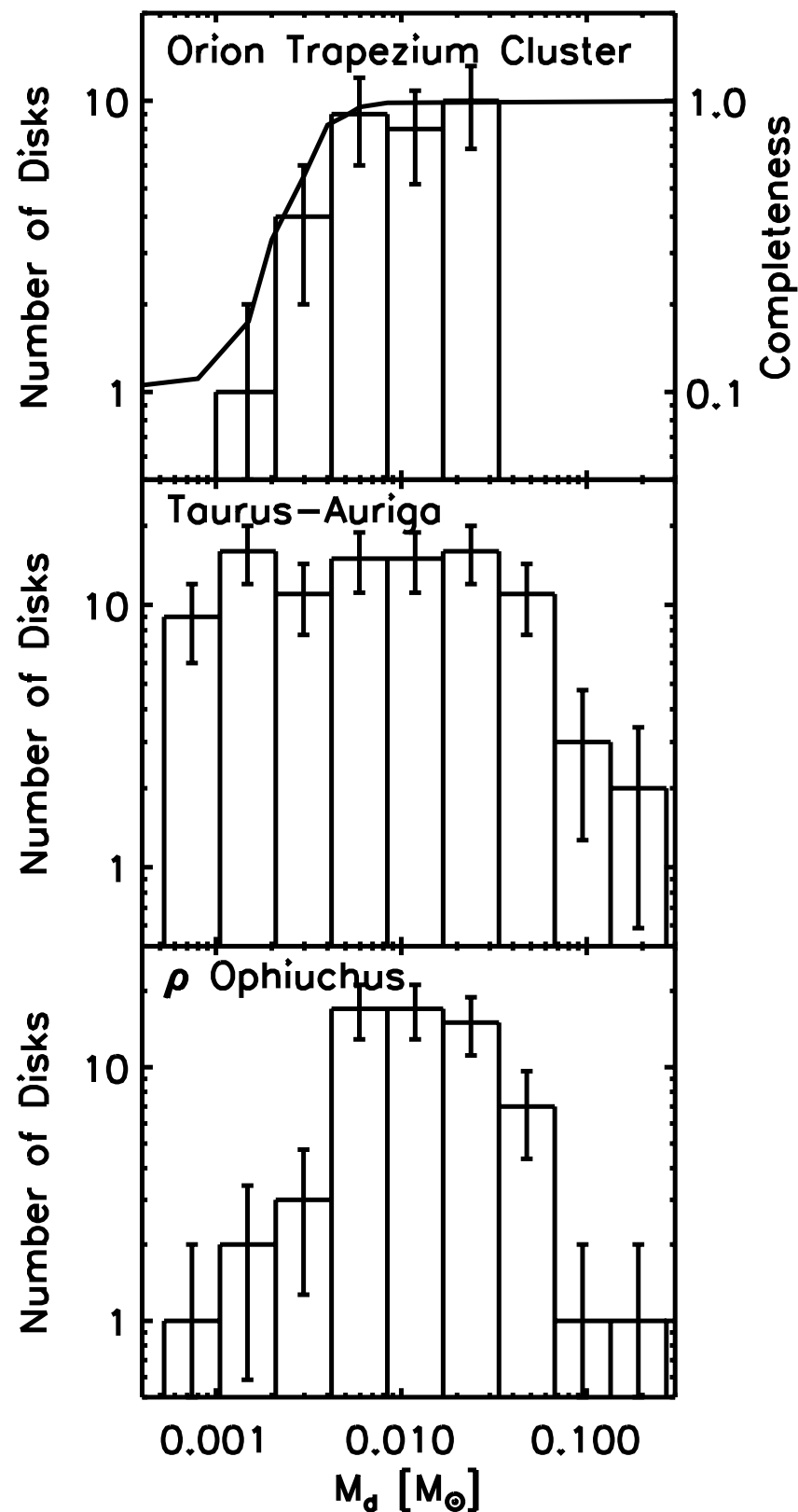
*Image: Red = SCUBA 450 μm
(Johnstone & Bally 1999)
Green = HST H α ; Blue =
HST V (Bally 2000)*



Orion Disk Mass Distribution

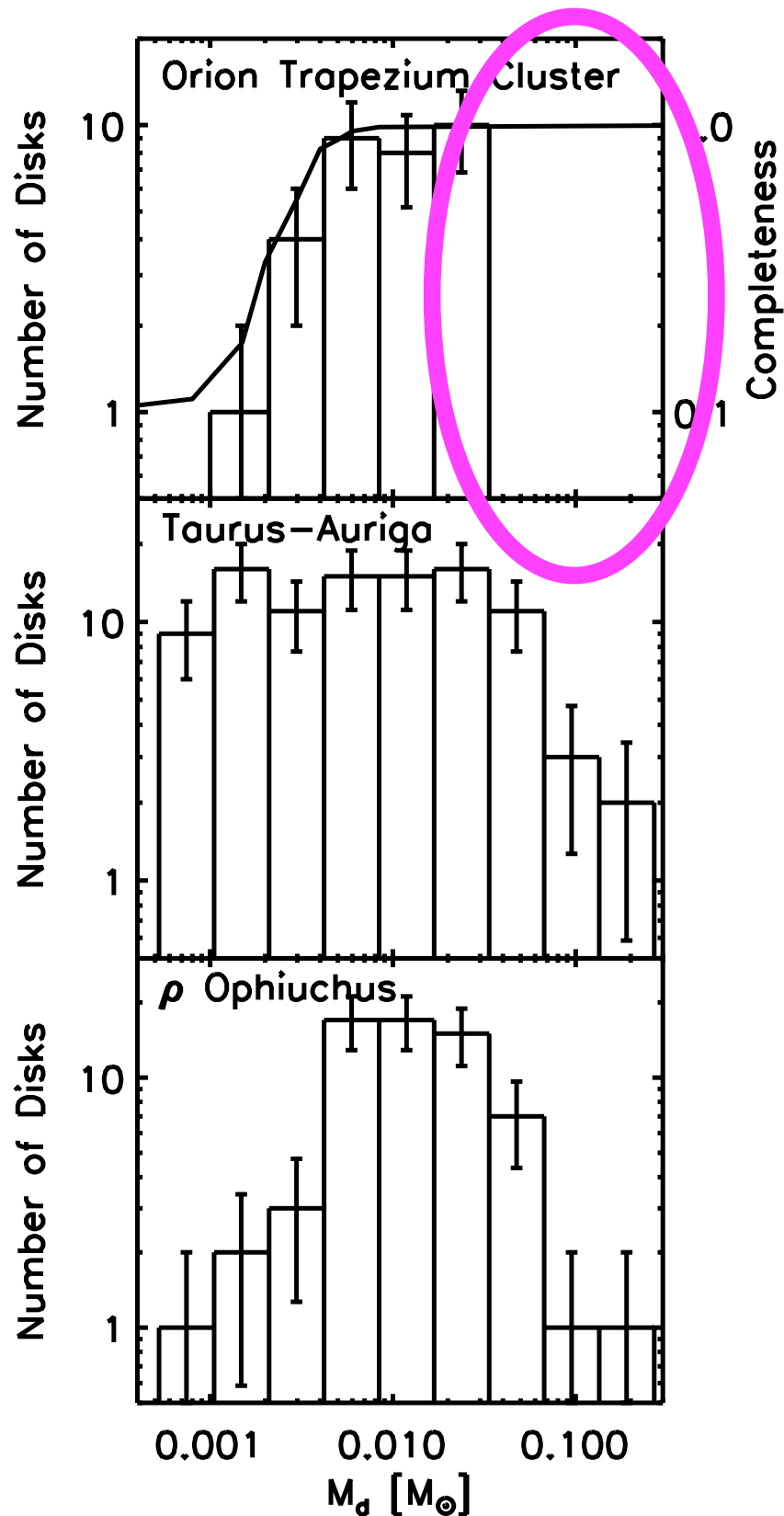
Comparison with regions that lack high mass stars, Taurus, ρ Ophiuchus (results from SCUBA surveys by Andrews & Williams, 2005, 2007)

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Orion lacks massive disks found in low mass star forming regions!

Mann & Williams 2009a

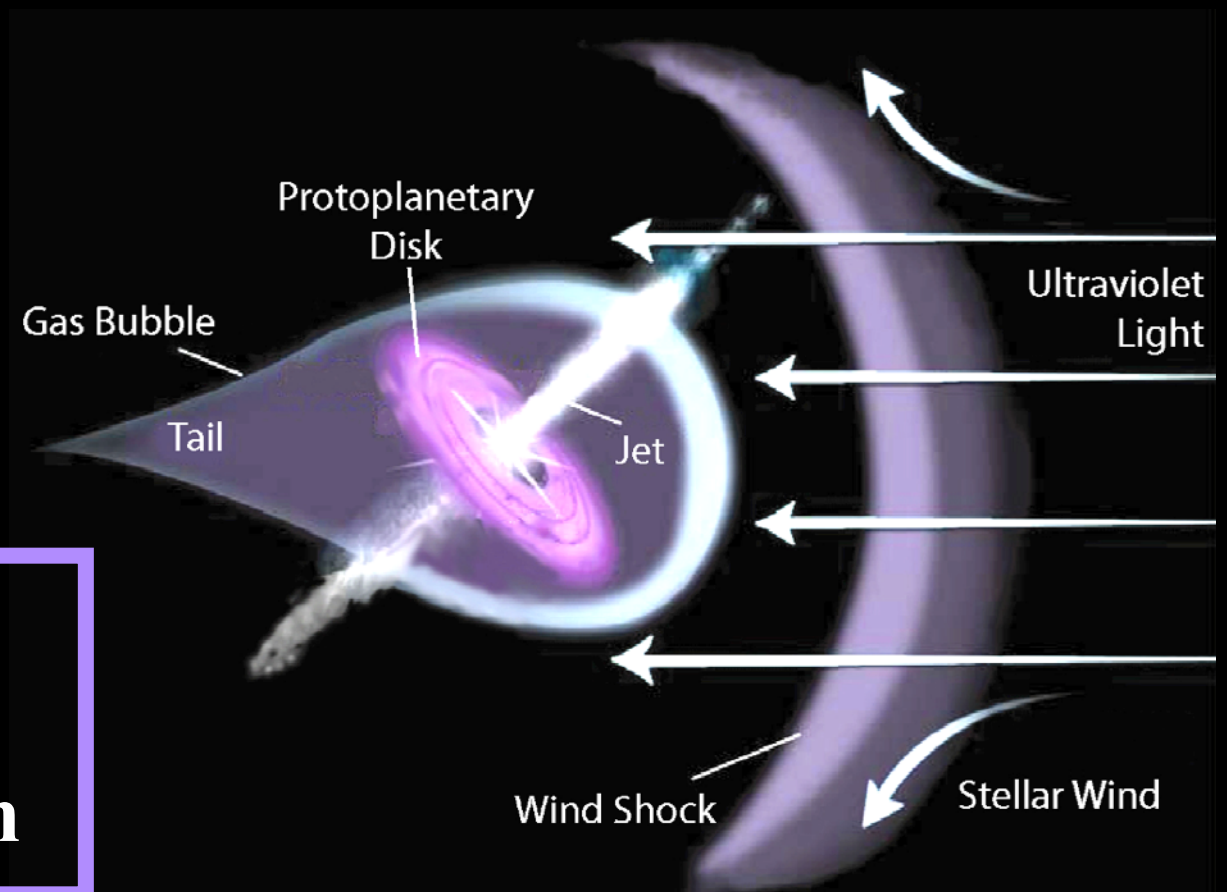
Comparison with Theoretical Models of Photoevaporation

Johnstone et al. 1998; Störzer & Hollenbach 1999; Adams et al. 2004; Clarke 2007

Proplyd observations:

- Most proplyds are unresolved by HST; $r < 60\text{AU}$
- The disk mass distribution is truncated: $M < 0.04 M_{\odot}$
- trend of disk mass and radius

Most reasonable interpretation of the disk mass truncation is a loss of the outer disks by photoevaporation



Mann & Williams 2009a

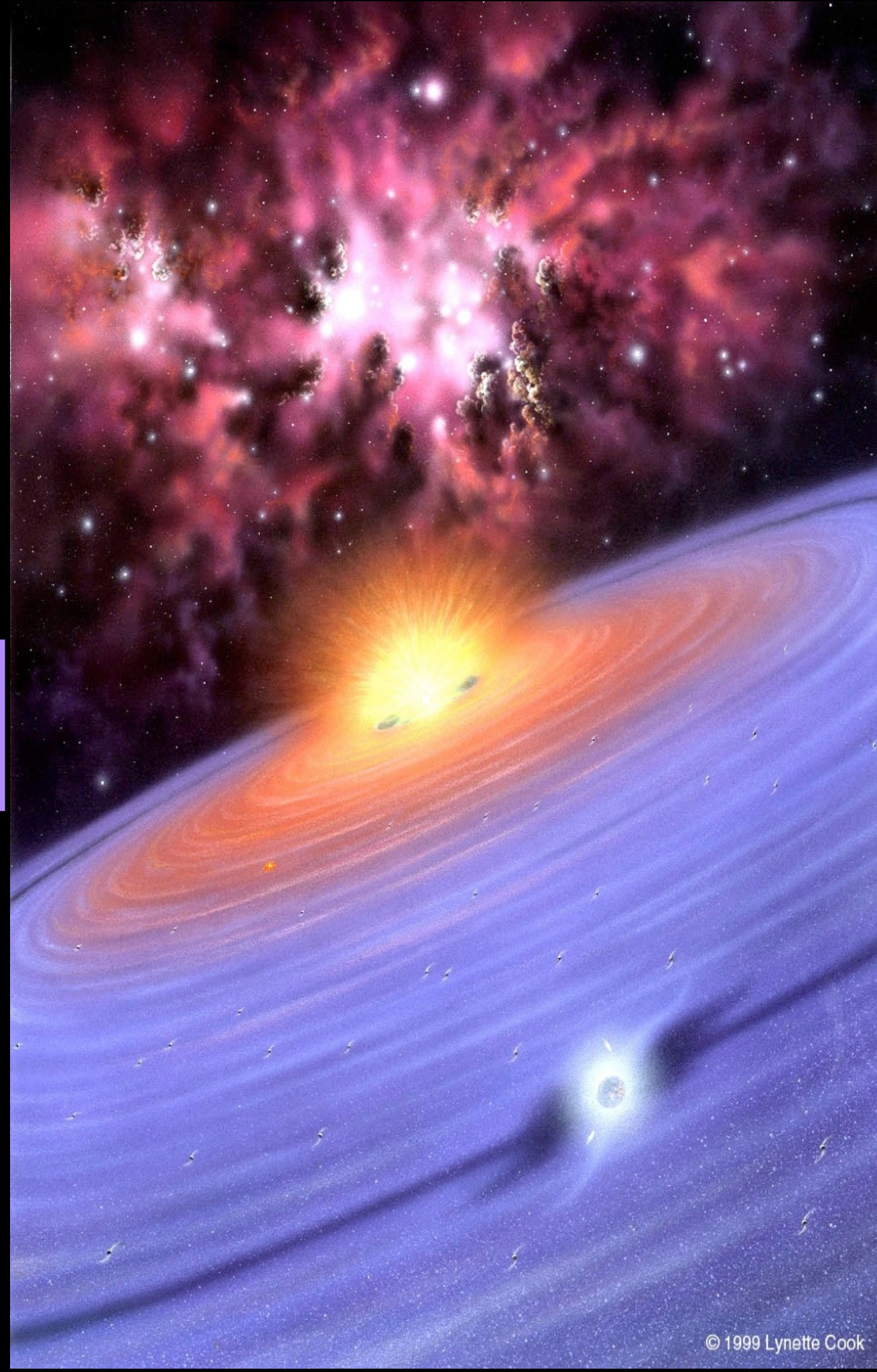
Planet Formation Potential

~ 11% of Orion disks have similar masses, sizes to the inferred initial conditions of our SS
($M_{\text{disk}} \geq 0.01 M_{\odot}$ within 60AU)

~ 13% of disks in Taurus, ρ Ophiuchus have $M_{\text{disk}} \geq 0.01 M_{\odot}$ within 60 AU

Planet formation is not less likely in rich clusters containing massive O-stars.

Mann & Williams 2009a

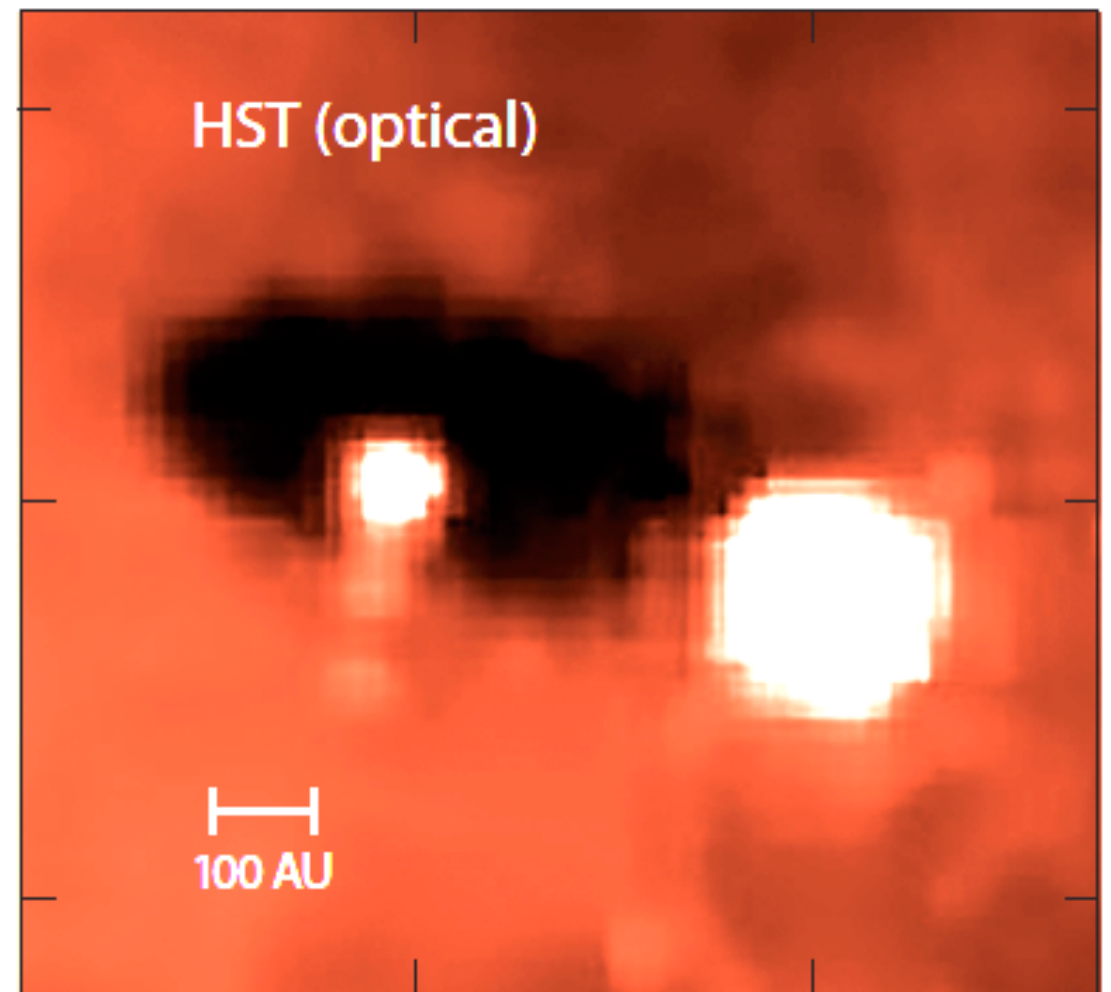


Binary System 253-1536 in Orion

Separation: 1.1'' (440 AU)

Distance: 1 pc from θ^1 C

Radii: 300AU, < 60AU



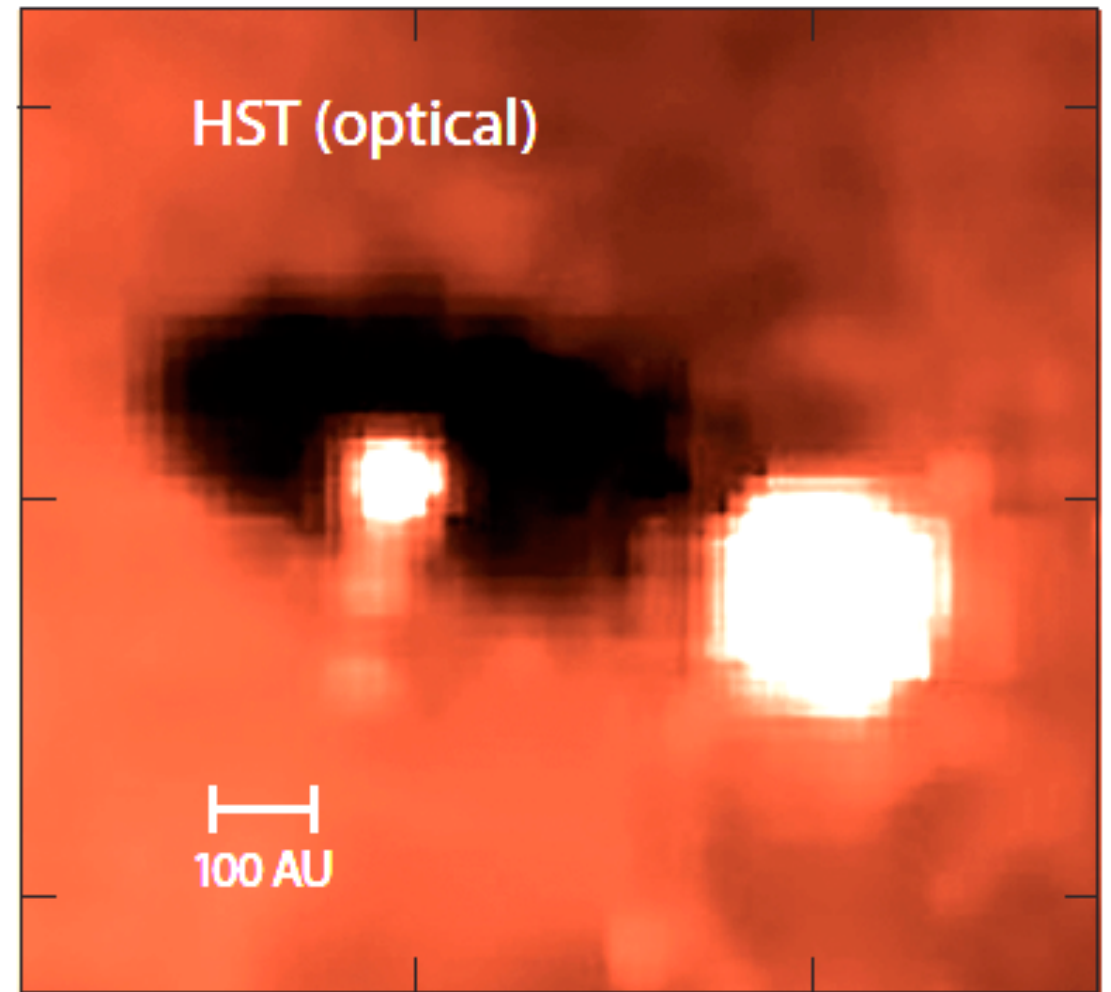
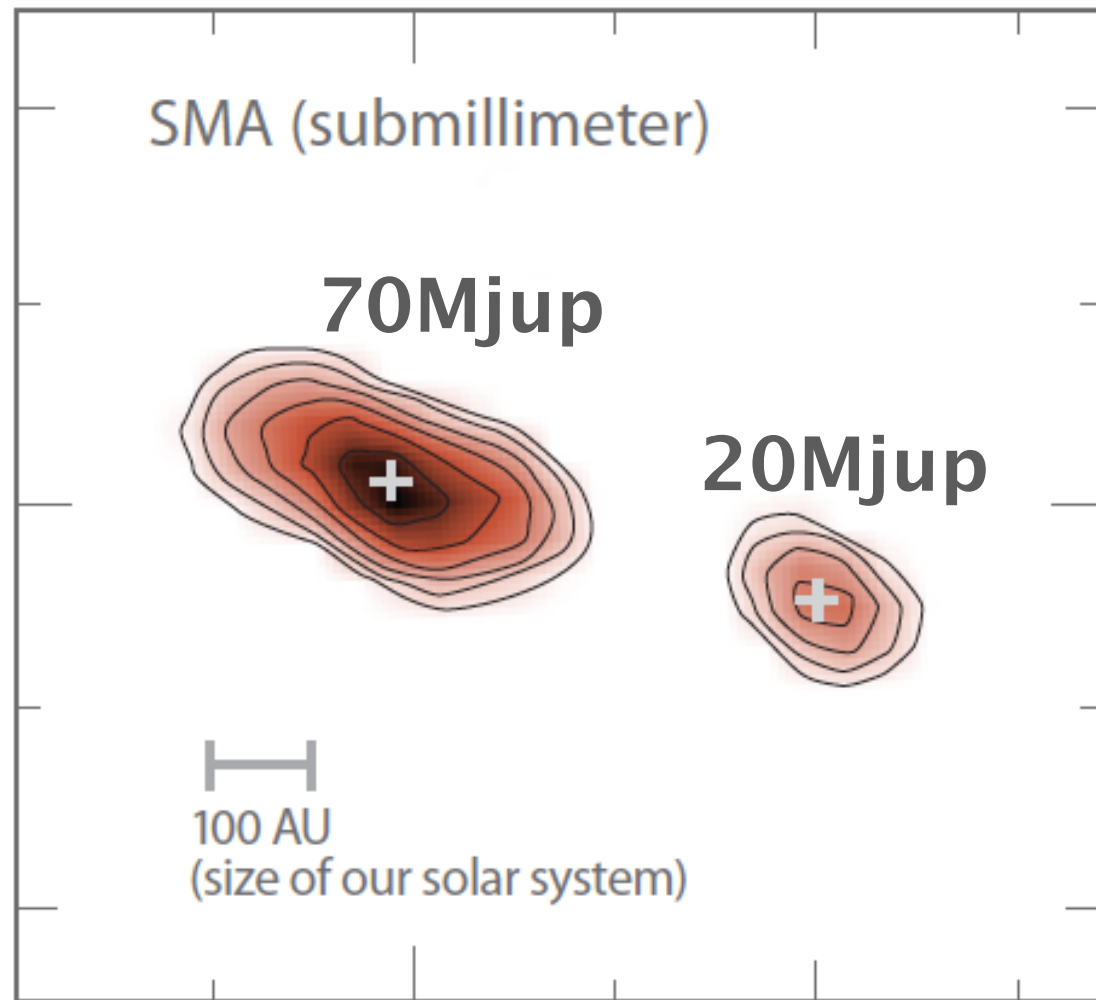
HST discovery image
Smith et al. (2005)

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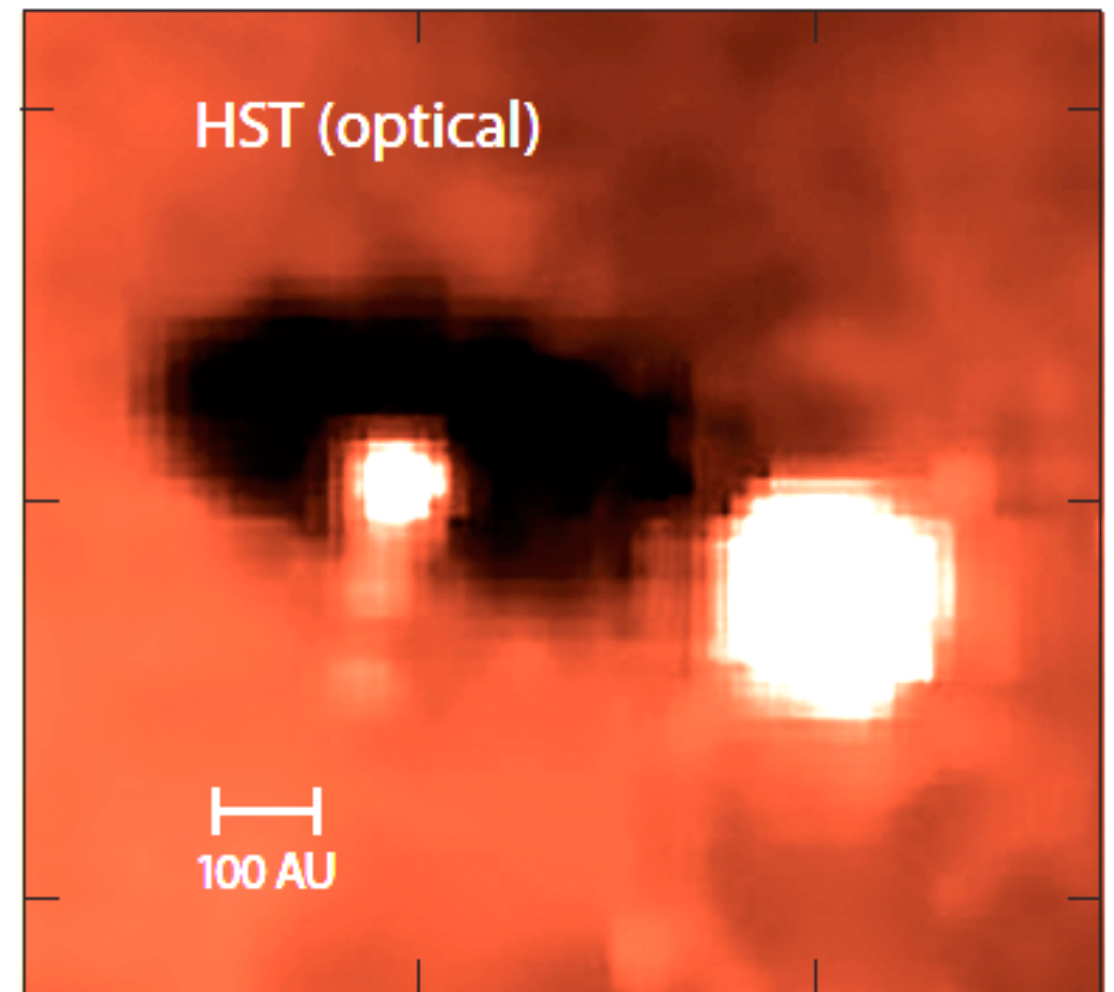
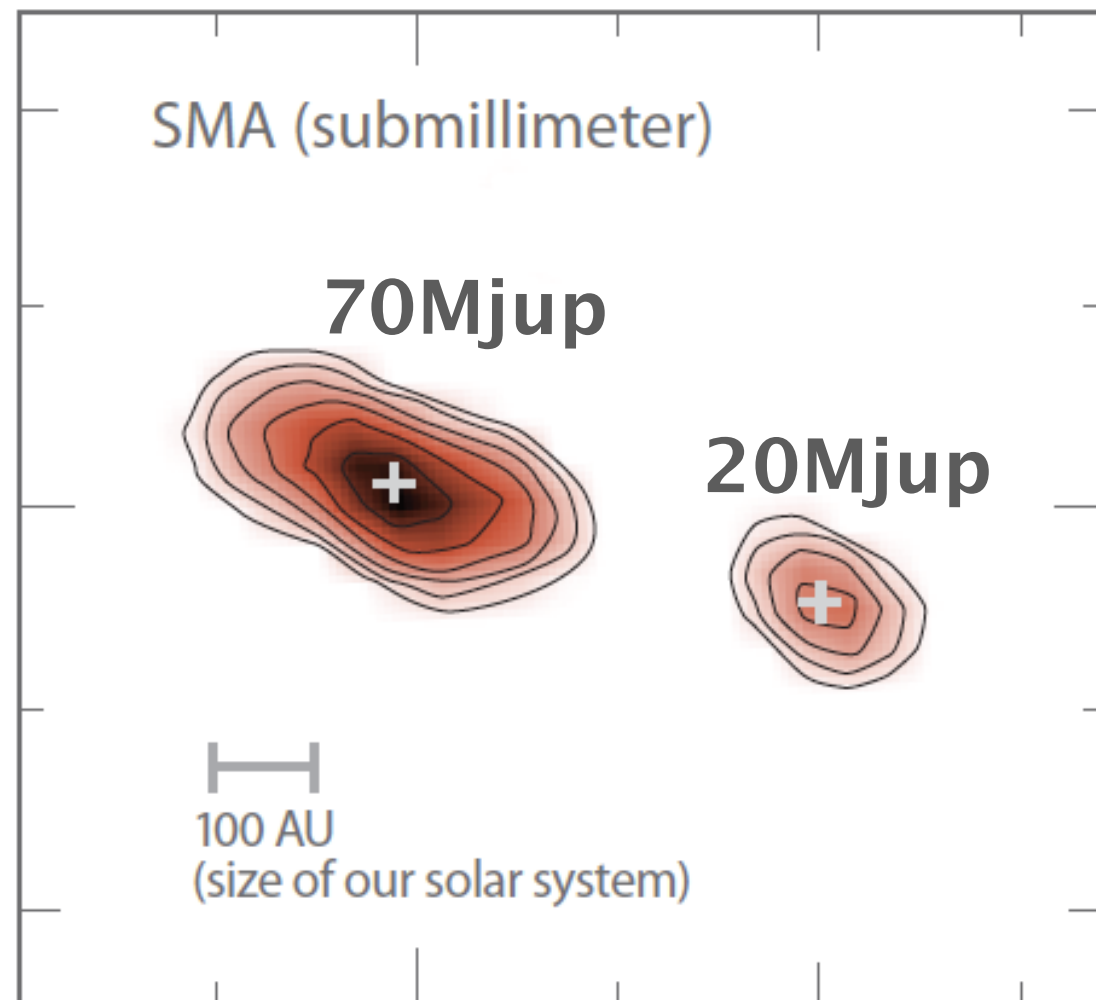
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A Double Solar System in the Making?

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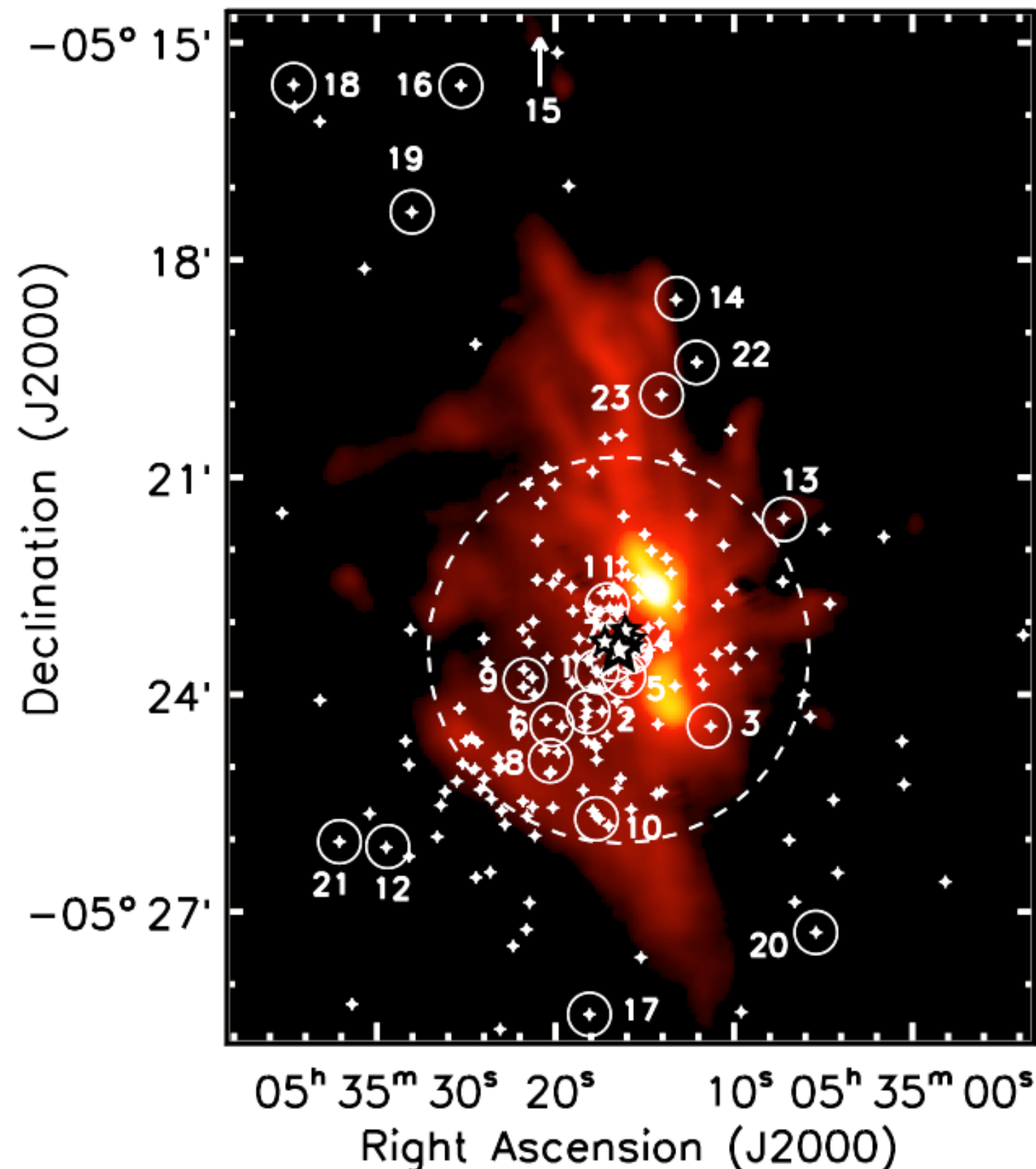
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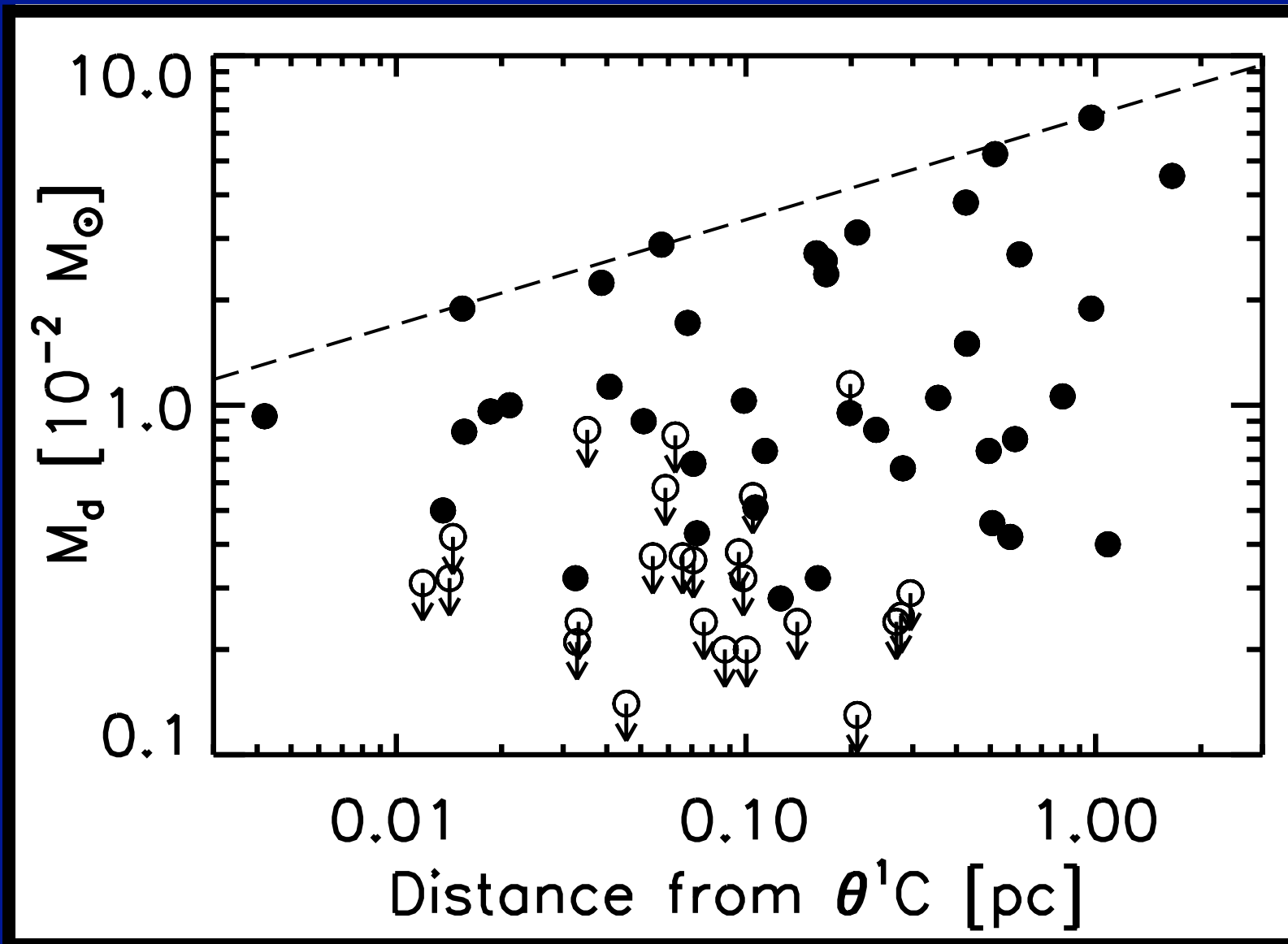
**HST discovery image
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Disks in Orion Beyond the Trapezium Cluster



**Large scale view of
the Orion Nebula
Cluster at 850 μm
taken with
SCUBA-JCMT
(Johnstone & Bally
1999)**

Disk Mass Dependence on Cluster Location



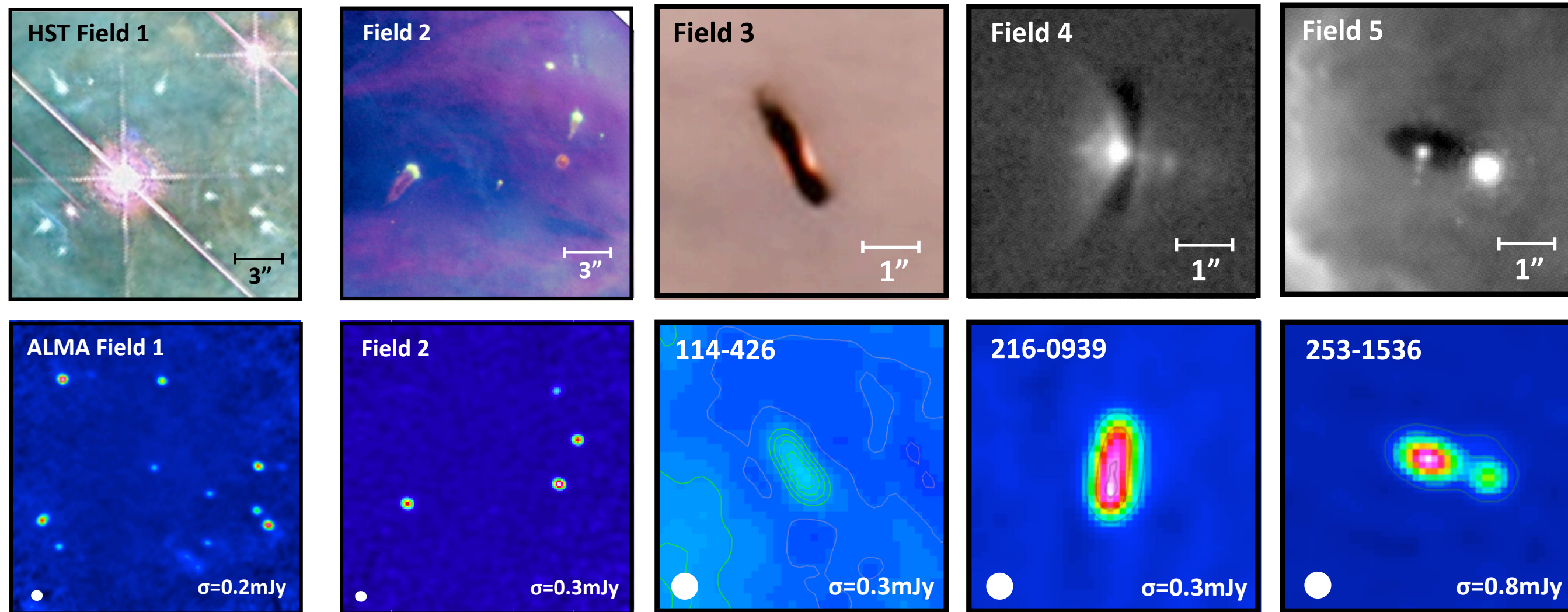
The formation of massive disks is not precluded in rich clusters

Consistent with their formation 1 Myr ago and subsequent photoevaporation by $\theta^1 C$

mass-loss negligible beyond 0.3 pc from $\theta^1 C$

Mann & Williams (2010)

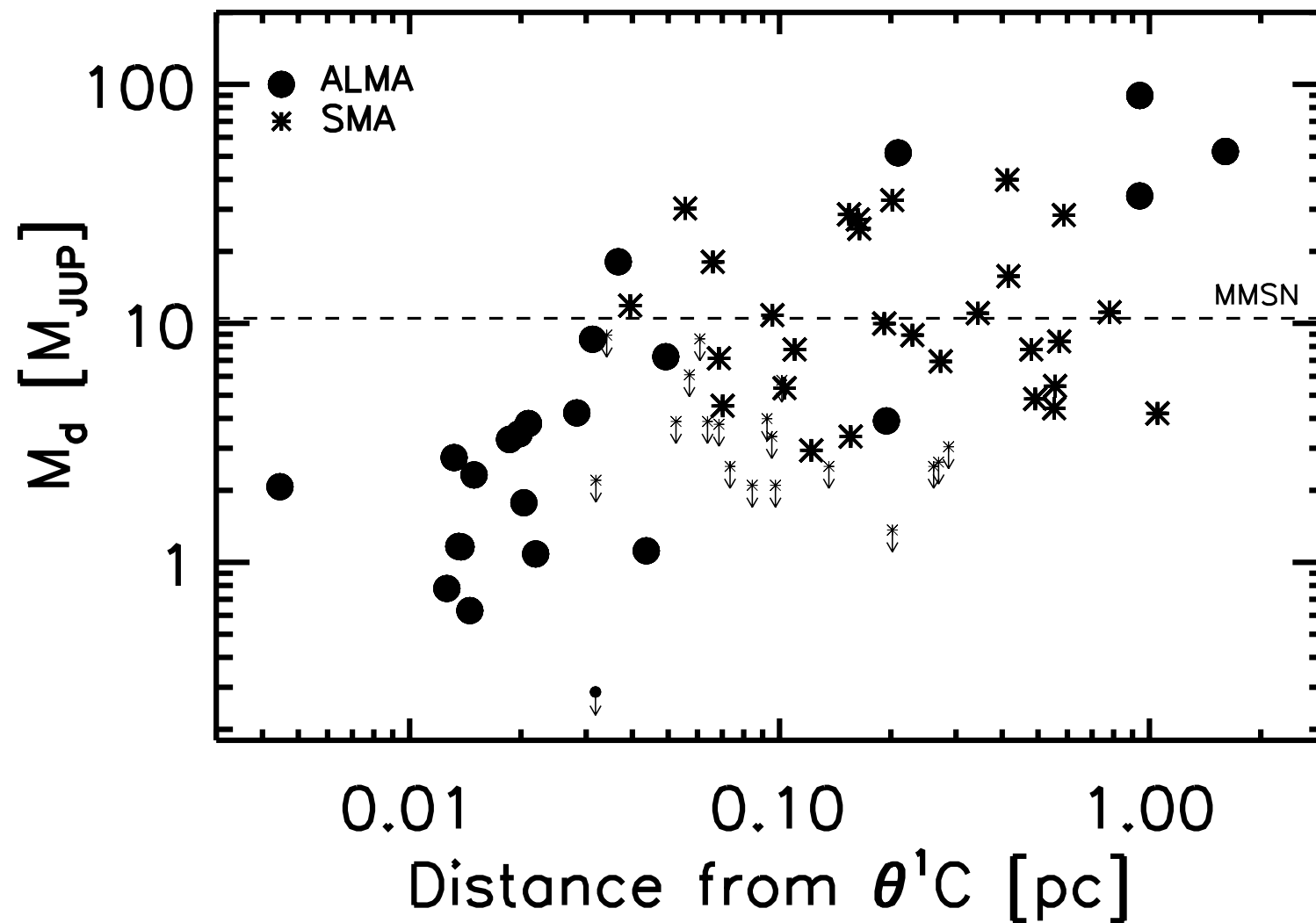
ALMA Early Science in Cycle 0: PI (R. Mann)



Mann et al. (2014)

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ALMA and SMA observations



Probe sub-Jupiter mass disks near $\theta^1\text{C}$ with ALMA

Statistically significant correlation between disk mass and distance to $\theta^1\text{C}$

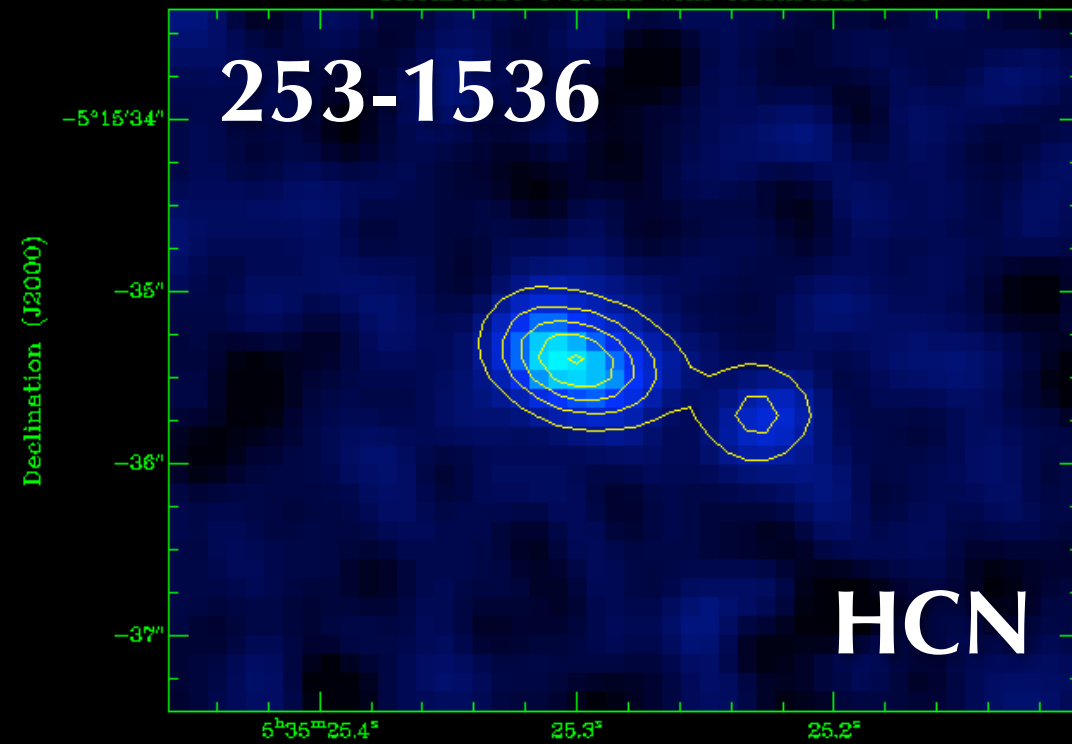
Lack of disks with masses appropriate to reproduce our Solar System within 0.03 pc from $\theta^1\text{C}$

Mann et al. (2014)

Gas in the Orion Disks

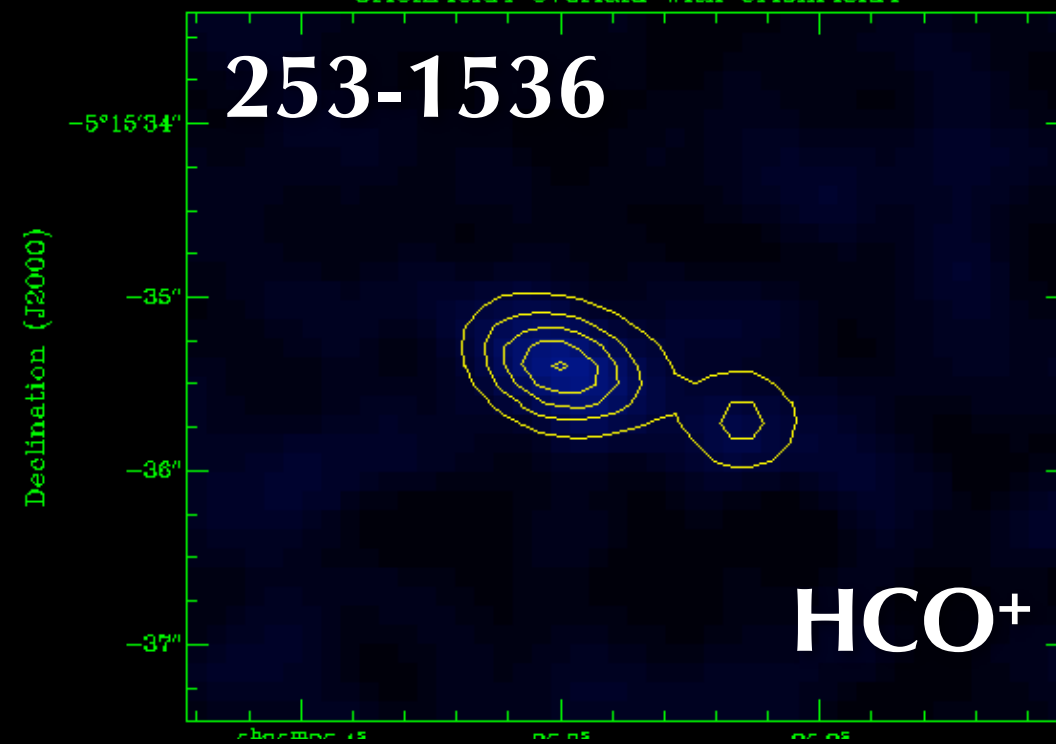
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OrionField4 overlaid with OrionField4



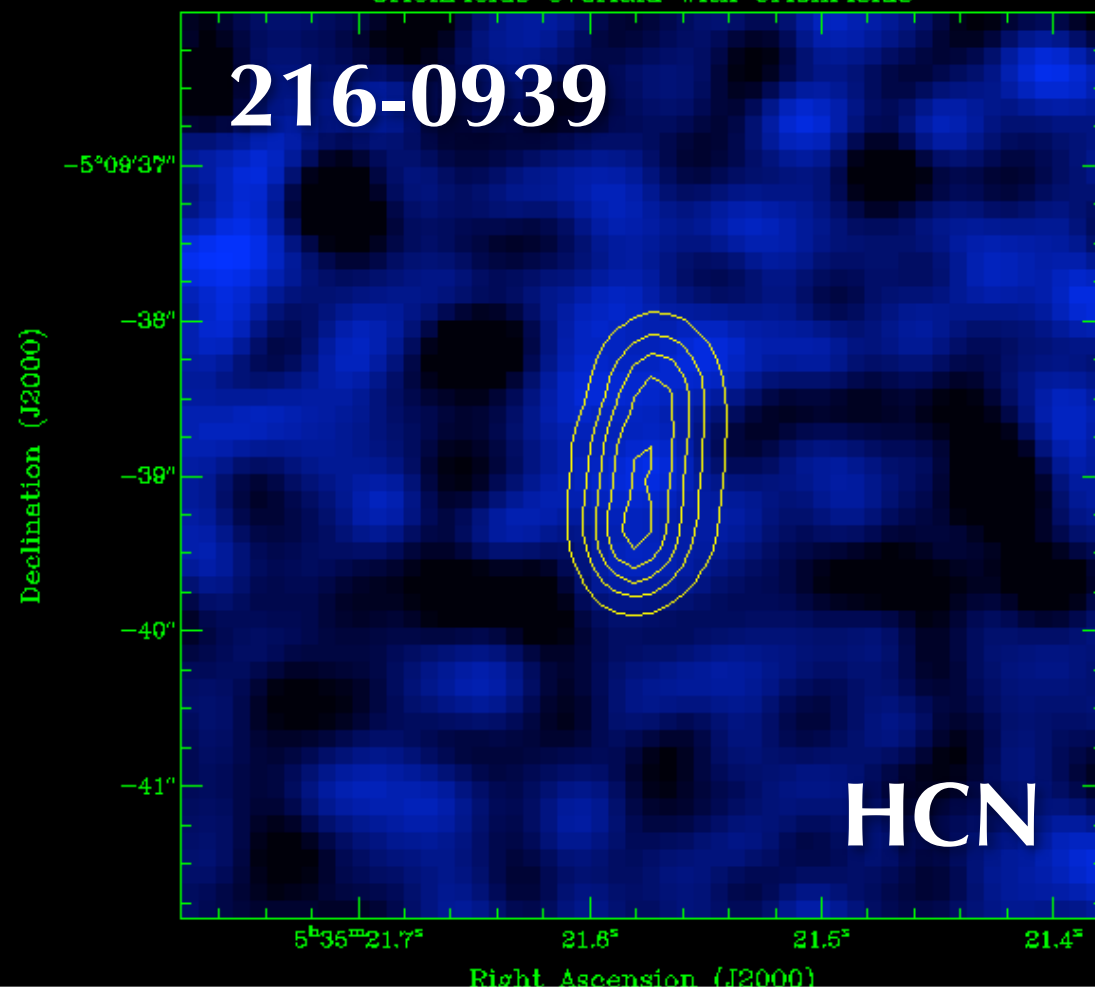
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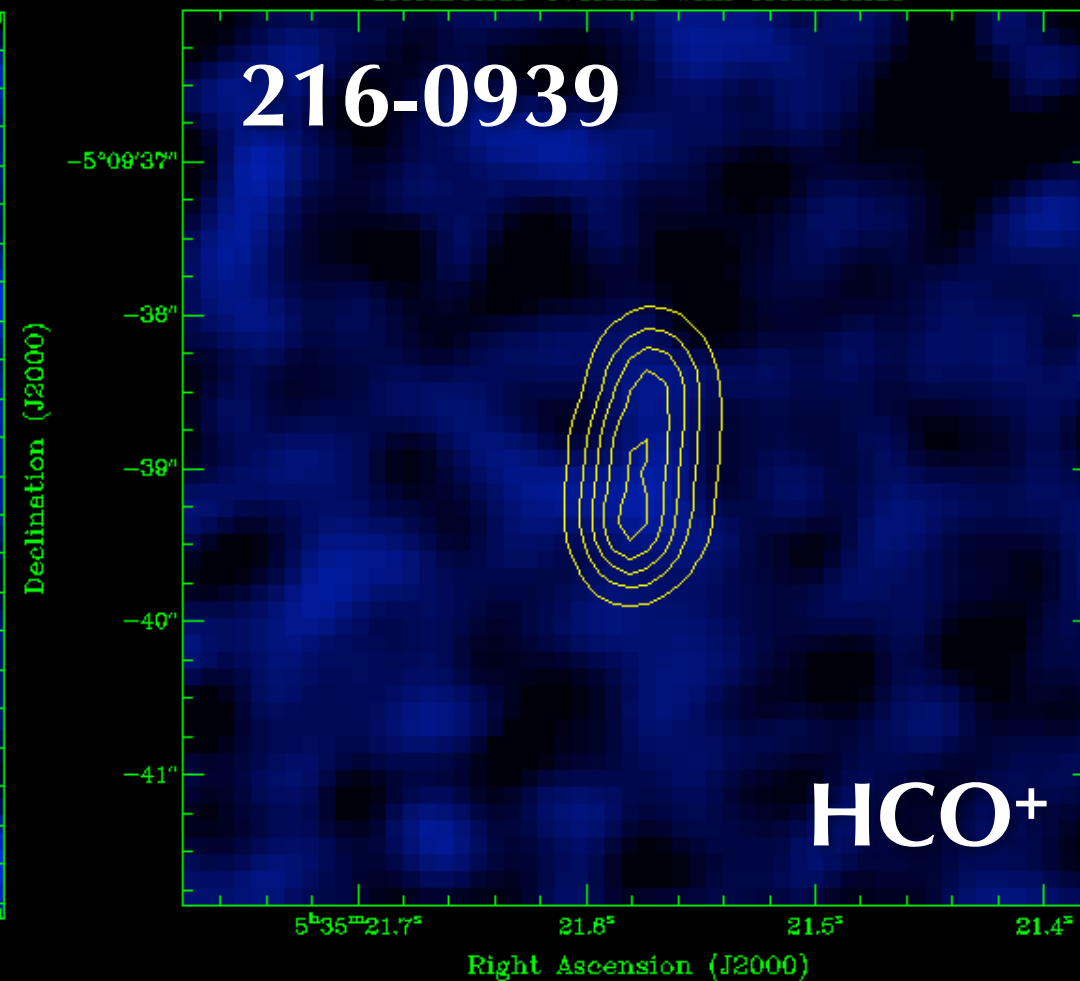
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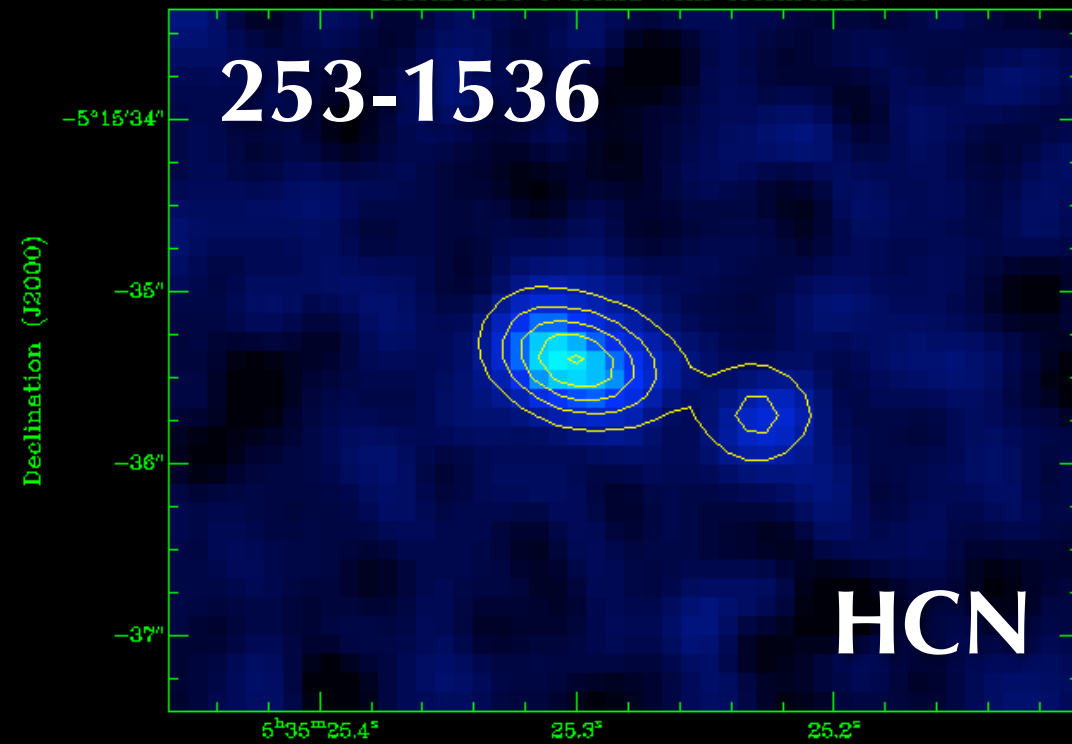
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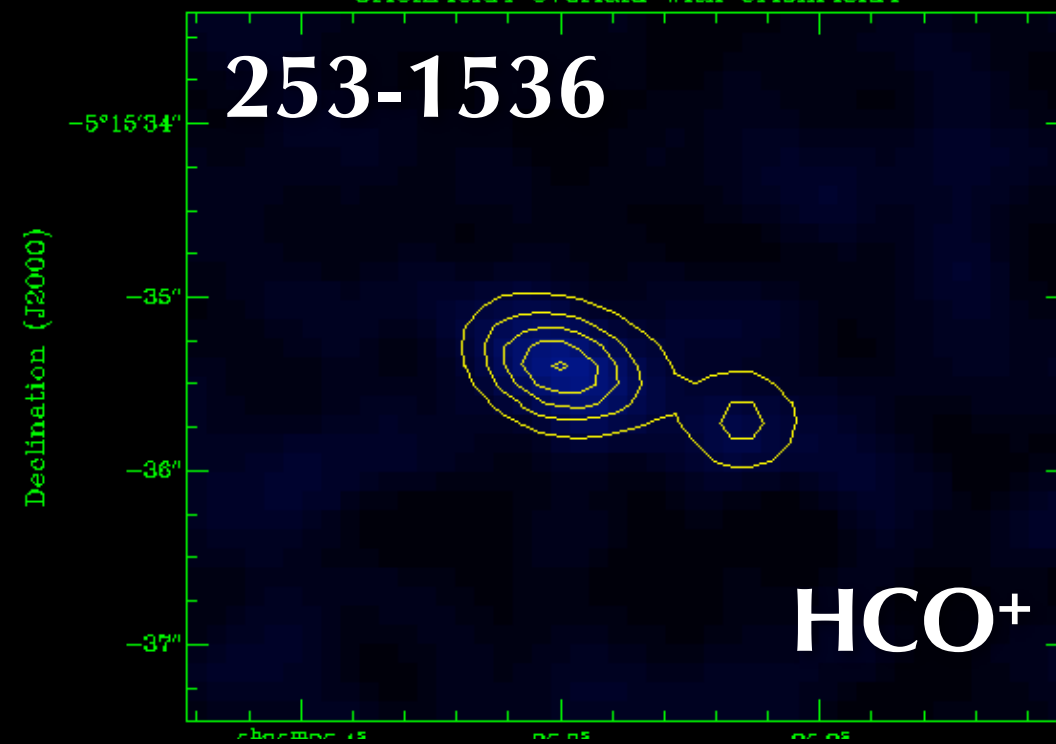
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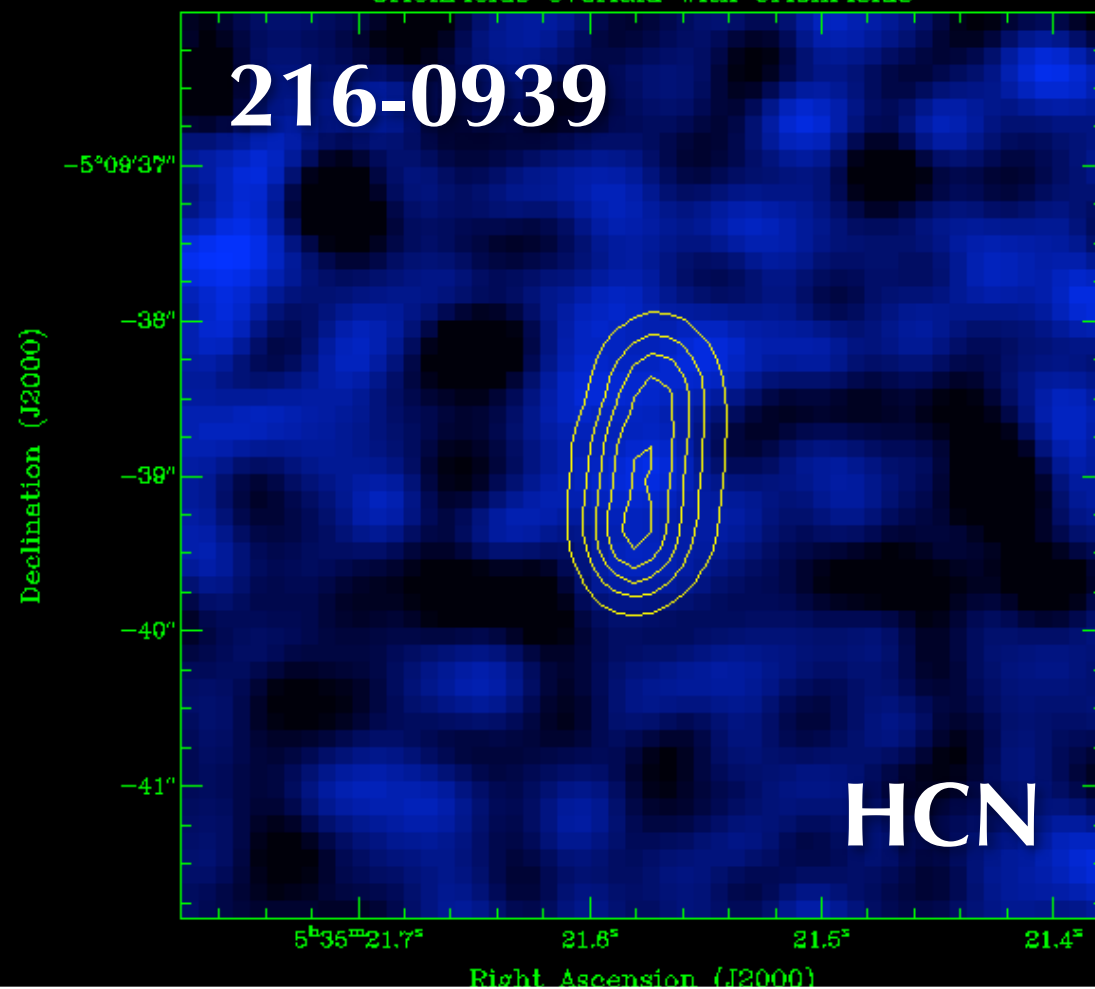
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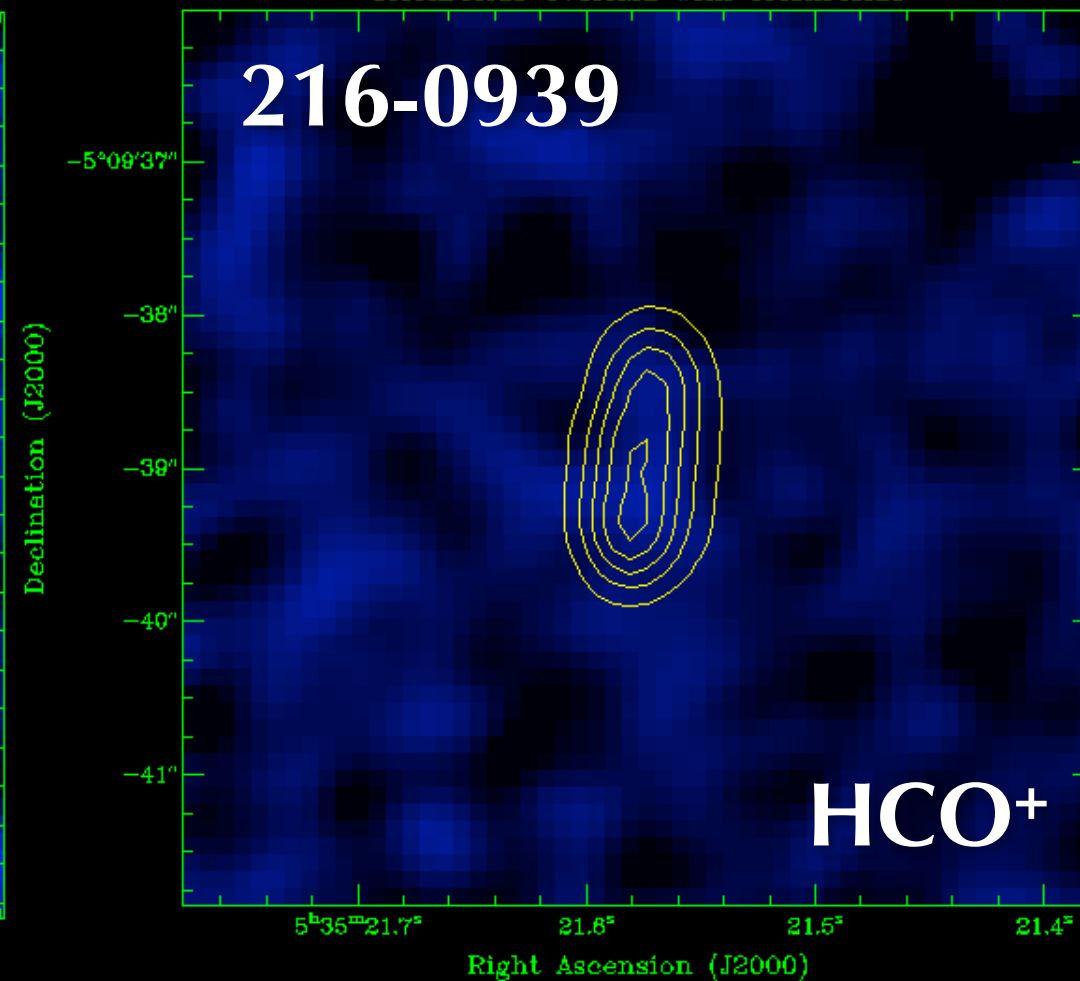
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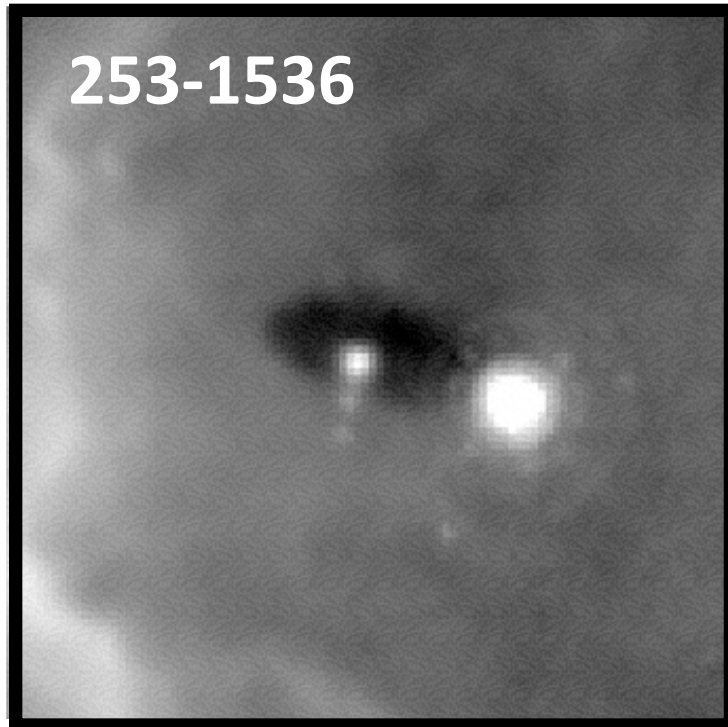
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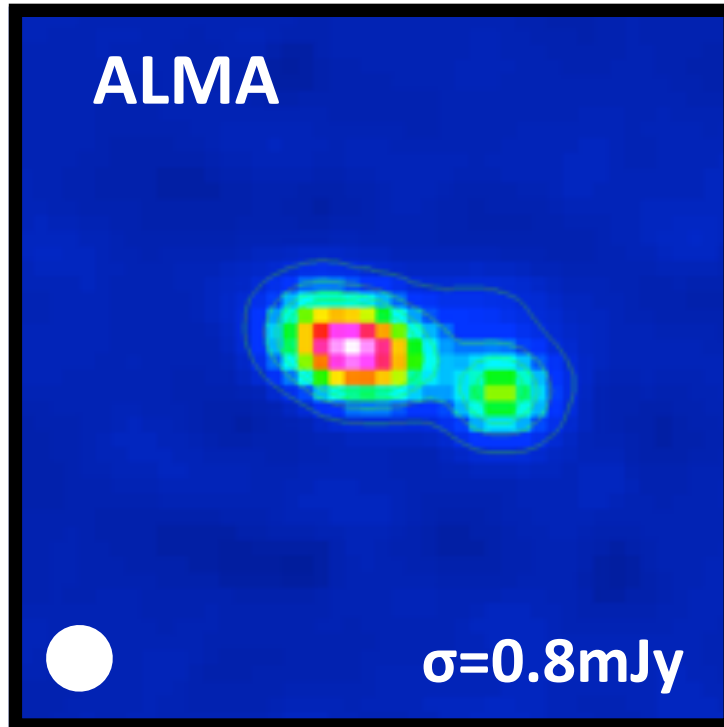


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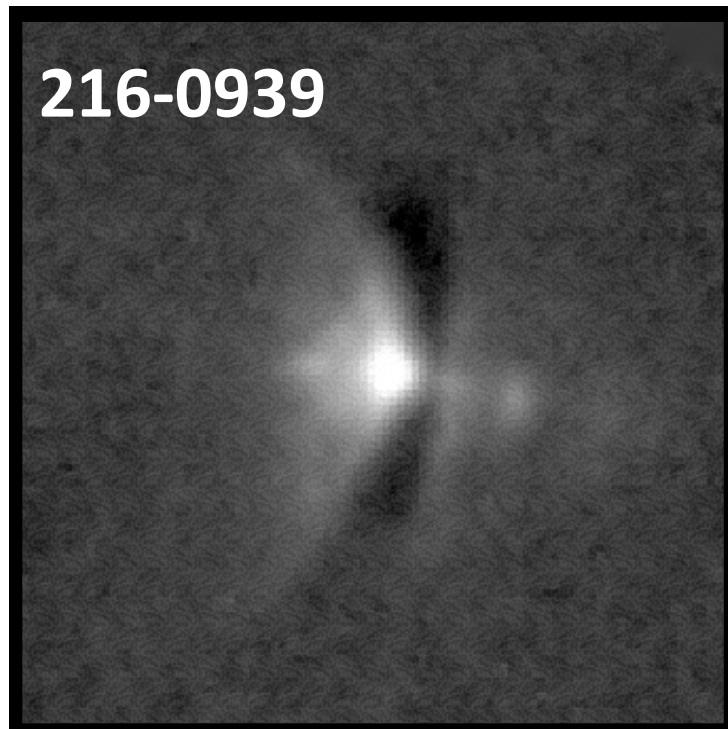
Dynamical masses of
the stellar host through
Keplerian rotation in the
disk gas emission.

Compare Stellar and Disk Masses

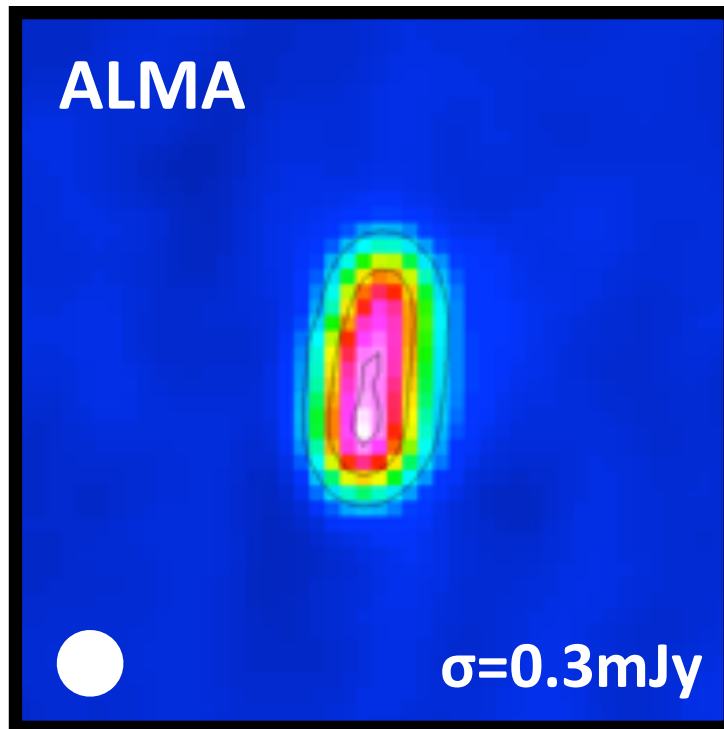
$$M_{\text{primary}} = 3 M_{\odot} \pm 1 M_{\odot}$$

$$M_{\text{secondary}} > 0.2 M_{\odot}$$

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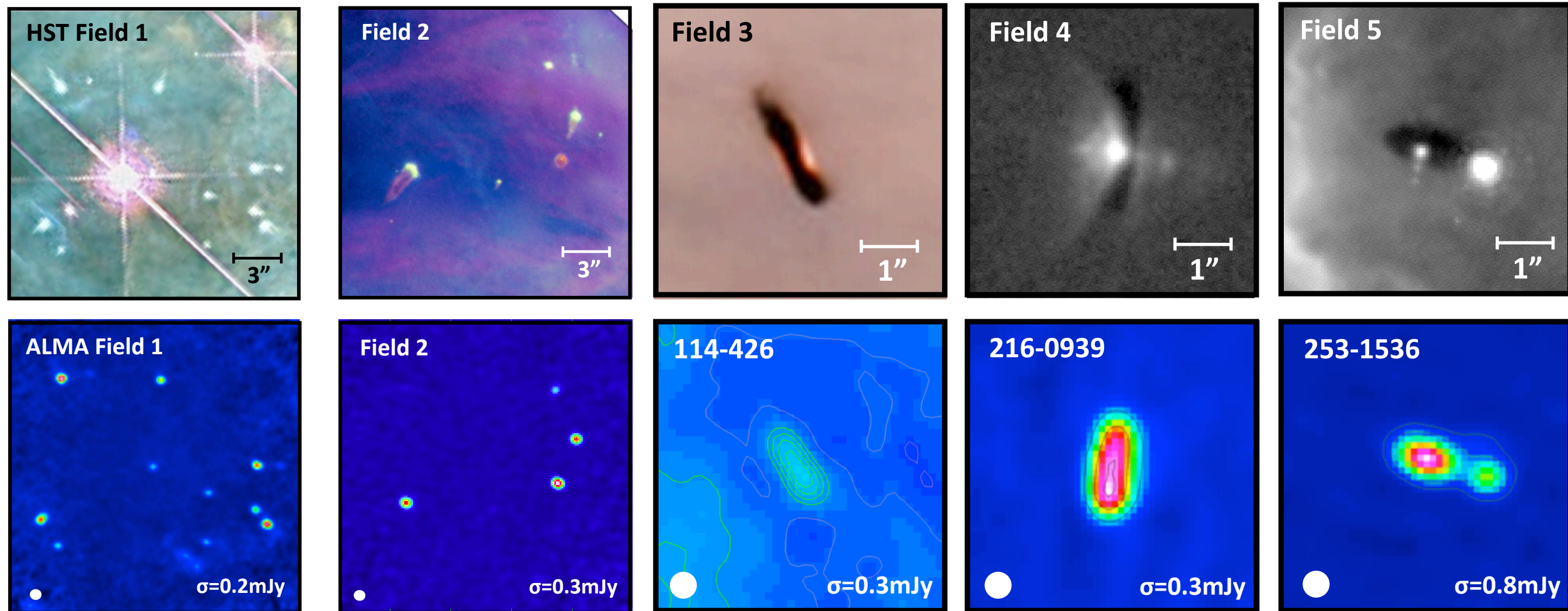


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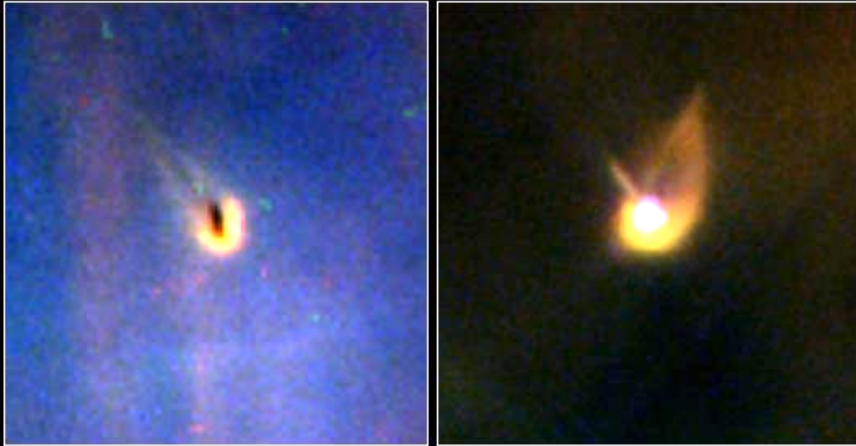
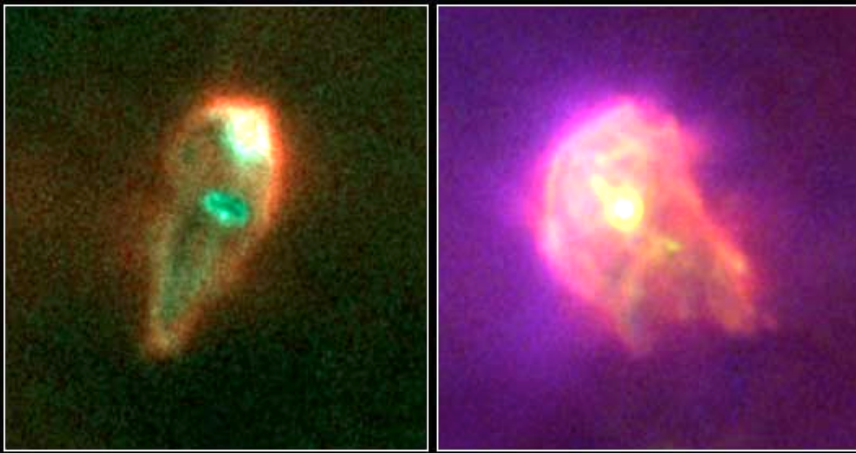
Williams et al. in prep

ALMA Cycle 1 observations: 300 protoplanetary disks in Orion



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Summary



- **Reduced disk masses in Orion near O-star due to loss of outer disks by UV photoevaporation**
- **Despite photoevaporation, the potential for planet formation is not lower than in regions that lack massive stars.**
- **Massive disks around binary stars discovered with the SMA**
- **Disk mass dependence on distance from O-star in Orion revealing the erosion of the disk mass distribution**
- **First clear detections of gas in Orion disks with ALMA**



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in advance of the expected ALMA Cycle 3 proposal deadline



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