

The background of the slide is a deep red astronomical image of a nebula. It features a complex, filamentary structure with a bright, yellowish-green central core. The filaments are thin and wispy, extending outwards from the center. The overall color palette is dominated by dark reds and oranges, with the central core providing a stark contrast in yellow and green.

# DO FILAMENTS CROSS "CORE" BOUNDARIES?

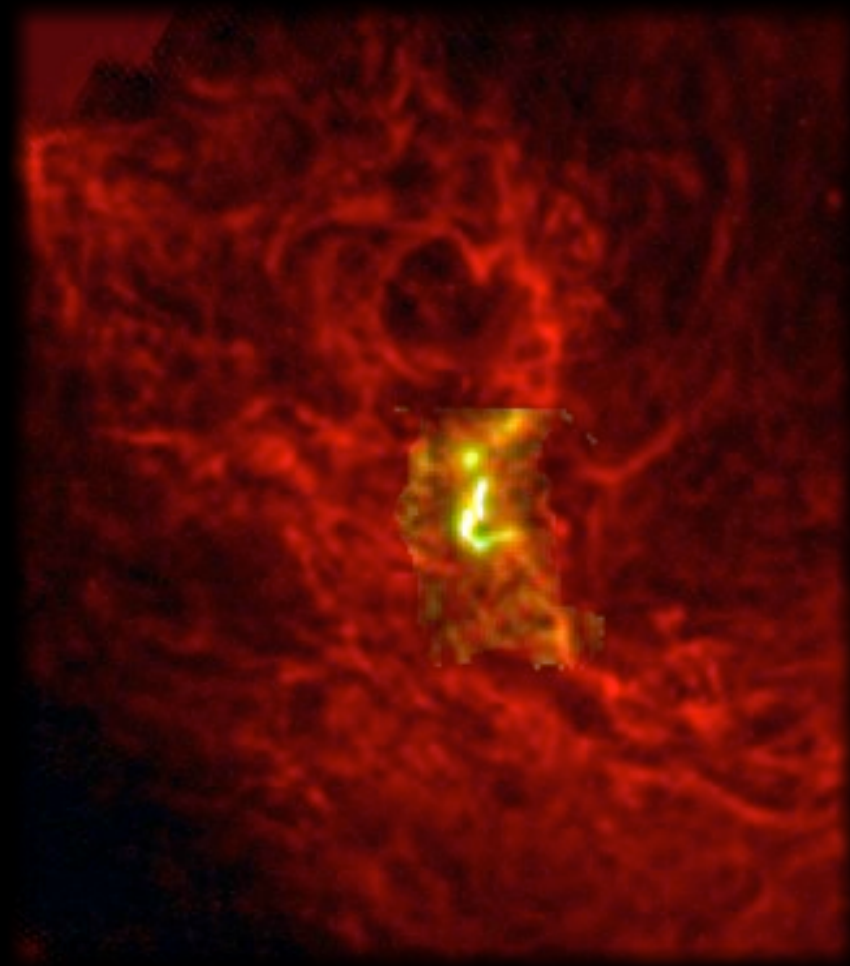
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# COHERENT CORES

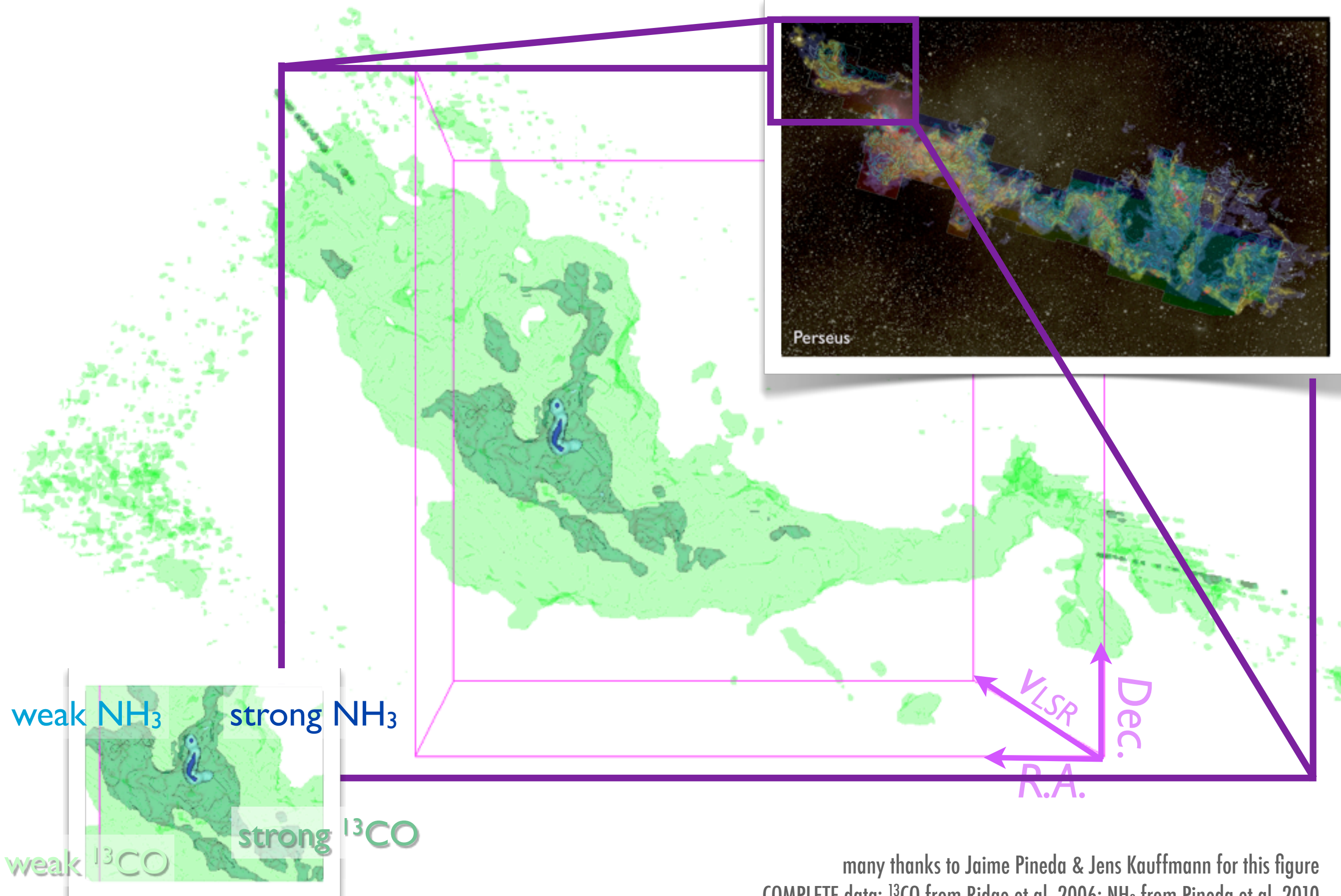
## ISLANDS OF CALM IN TURBULENT SEAS(?)



30-year story: Myers & Benson 1983, Goodman et al. 1998, Pineda et al. 2010, 2011, 2014



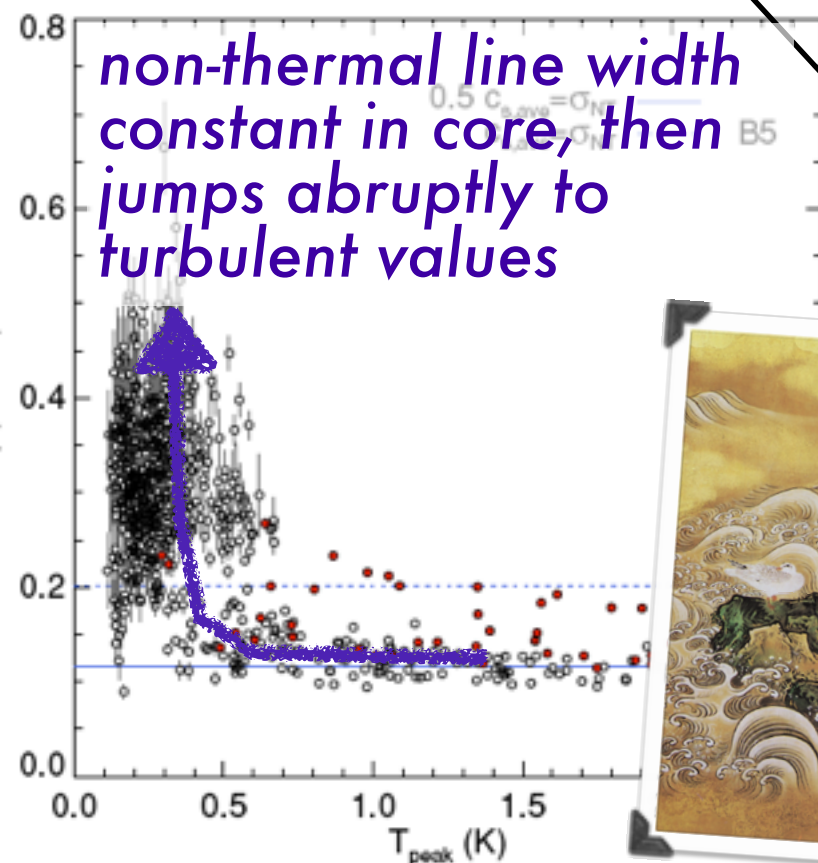
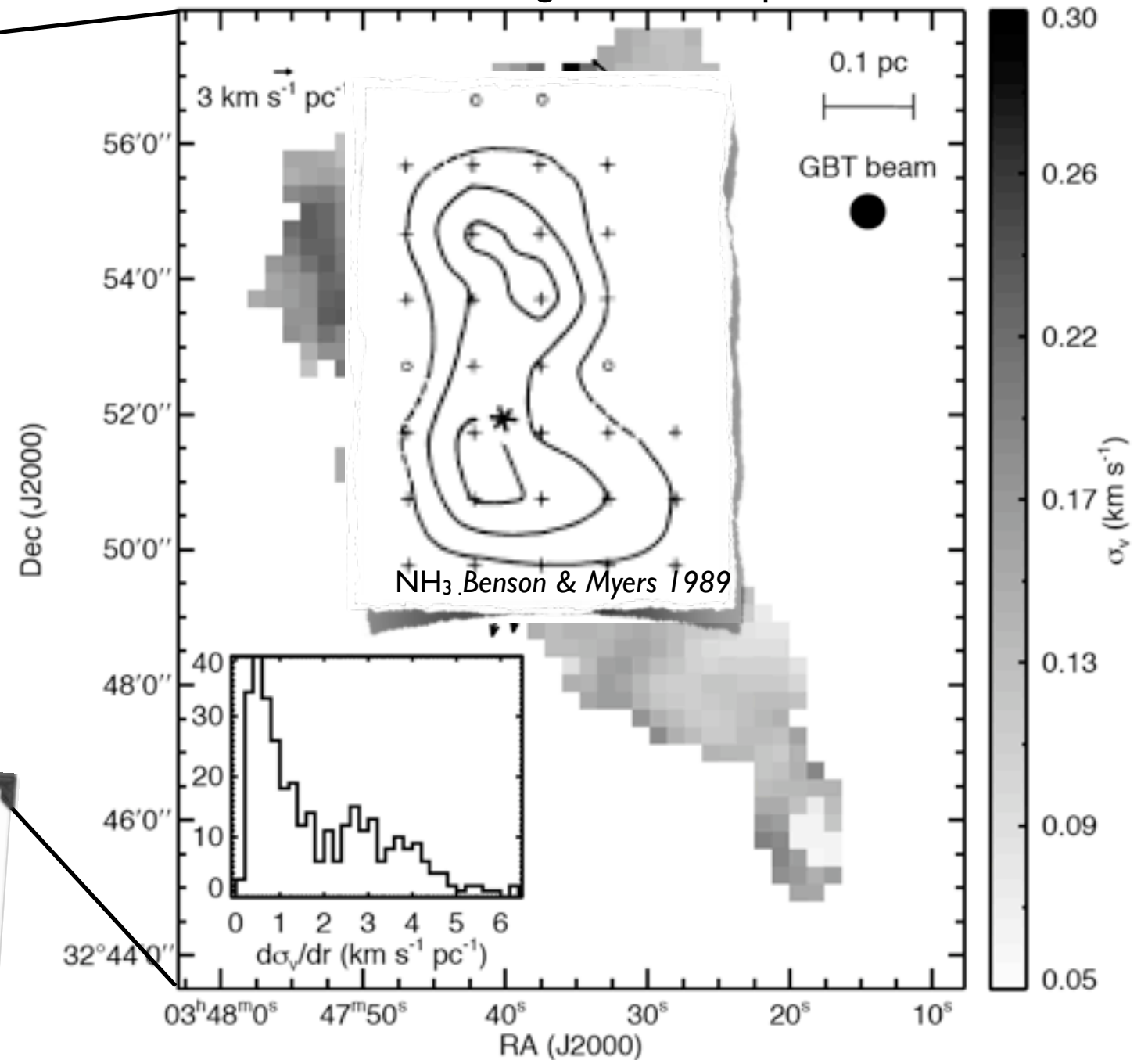
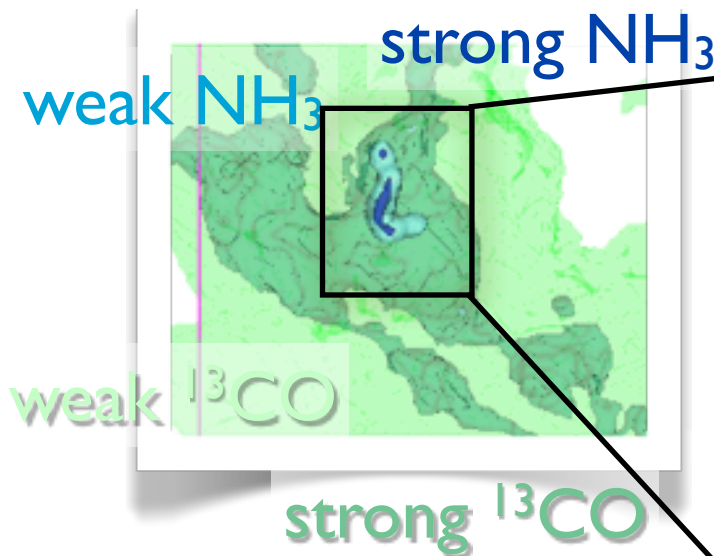
# THE B5 REGION, IN PERSEUS



many thanks to Jaime Pineda & Jens Kauffmann for this figure  
COMPLETE data:  $^{13}\text{CO}$  from Ridge et al. 2006;  $\text{NH}_3$  from Pineda et al. 2010

# STRONG EVIDENCE FOR "VELOCITY COHERENCE" IN DENSE CORES

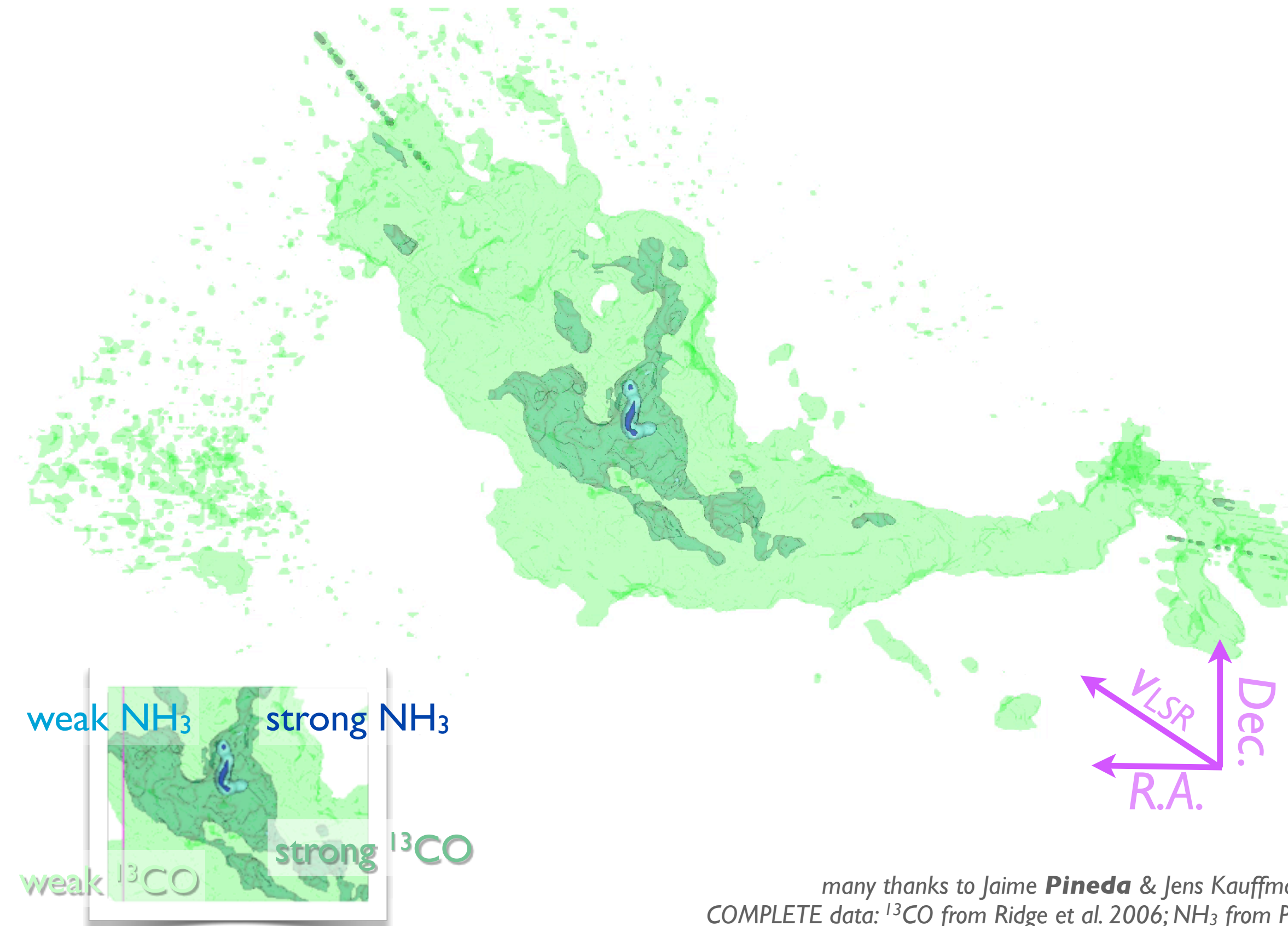
greyscale shows  $\text{NH}_3$  velocity dispersion,  
arrows show gradient in dispersion



GBT  $\text{NH}_3$  observations of the B5 core (Pineda et al. 2010)



# POSITION-VELOCITY STRUCTURE OF THE B5 REGION IN PERSEUS

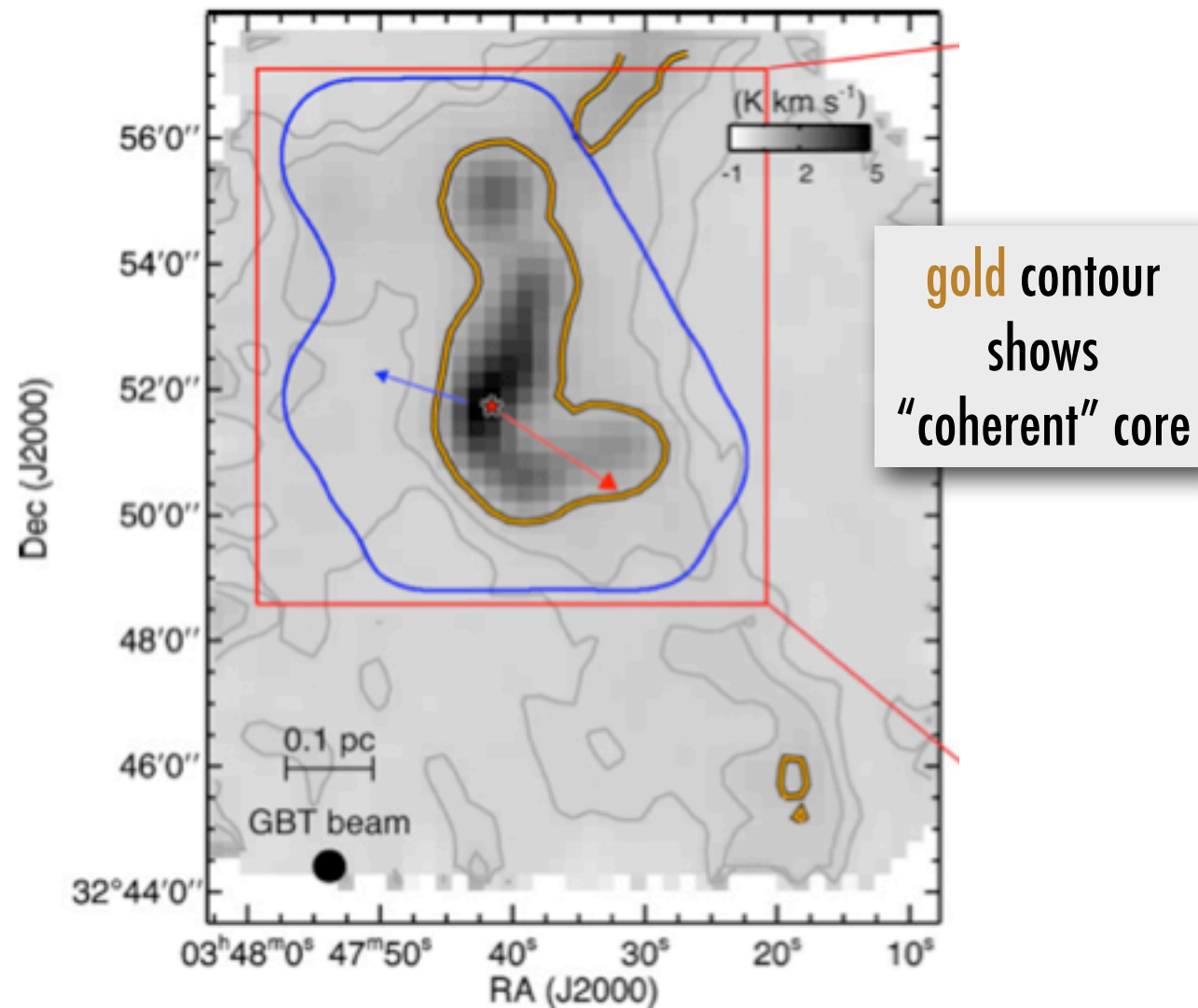


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# BUT THEN... VLA (JAIME) FOUND SUB-STRUCTURE

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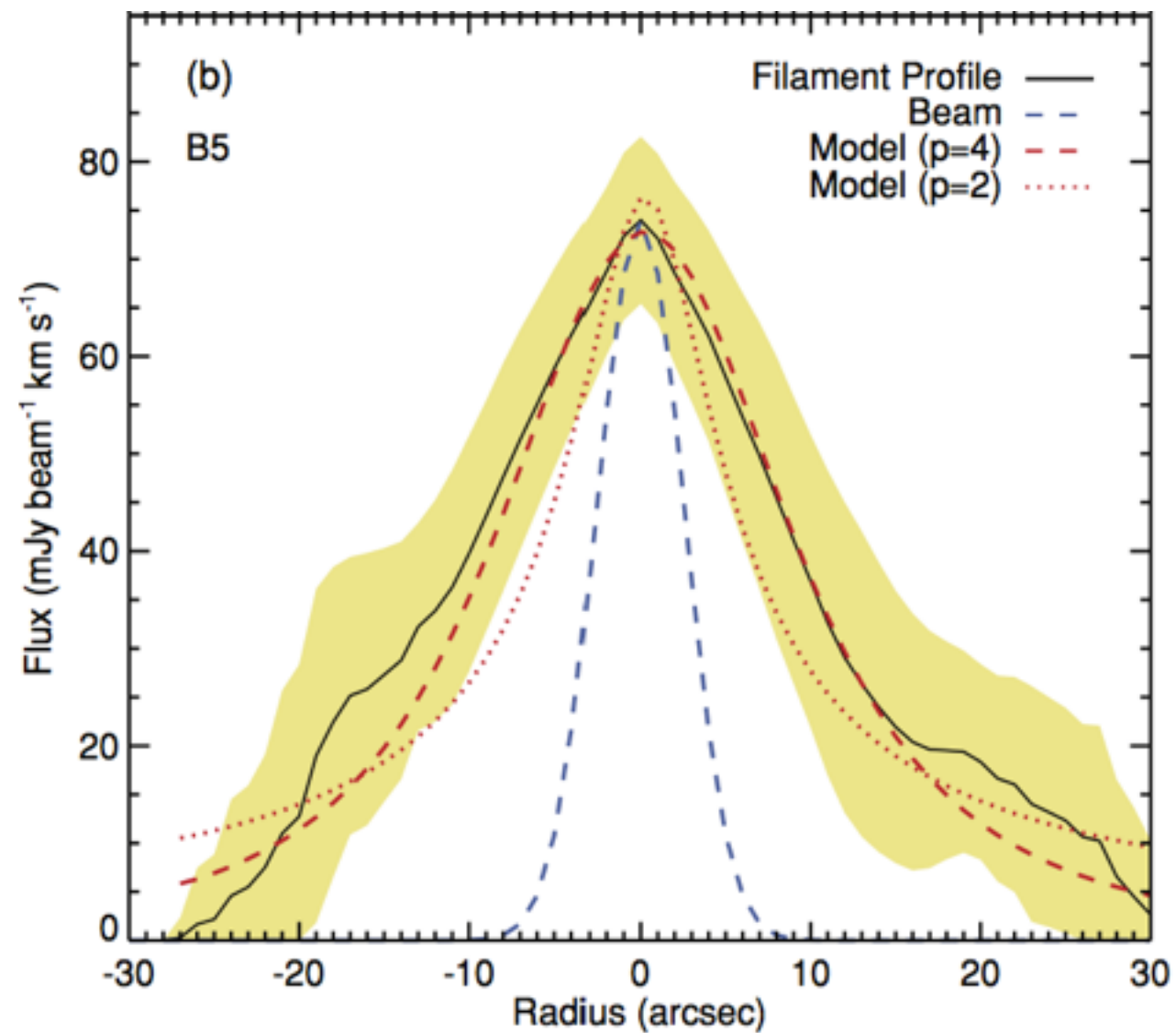
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**Figure 1.** Left panel: integrated intensity map of B5 in  $\text{NH}_3$  (1,1) obtained with GBT. Gray contours show the 0.15 and 0.3  $\text{K km s}^{-1}$  level in  $\text{NH}_3$  (1,1) integrated intensity. The orange contours show the region in the GBT data where the non-thermal velocity dispersion is subsonic. The young star, B5-IRS1, is shown by the star in both panels. The outflow direction is shown by the arrows. The blue contour shows the area observed with the EVLA and the red box shows the area shown in the right panel. Right panel: integrated intensity map of B5 in  $\text{NH}_3$  (1,1) obtained combining the EVLA and GBT data. Black contour shows the 50  $\text{mJy beam}^{-1} \text{ km s}^{-1}$  level in  $\text{NH}_3$  (1,1) integrated intensity. The yellow box shows the region used in Figure 4. The northern starless condensation is shown by the dashed circle.



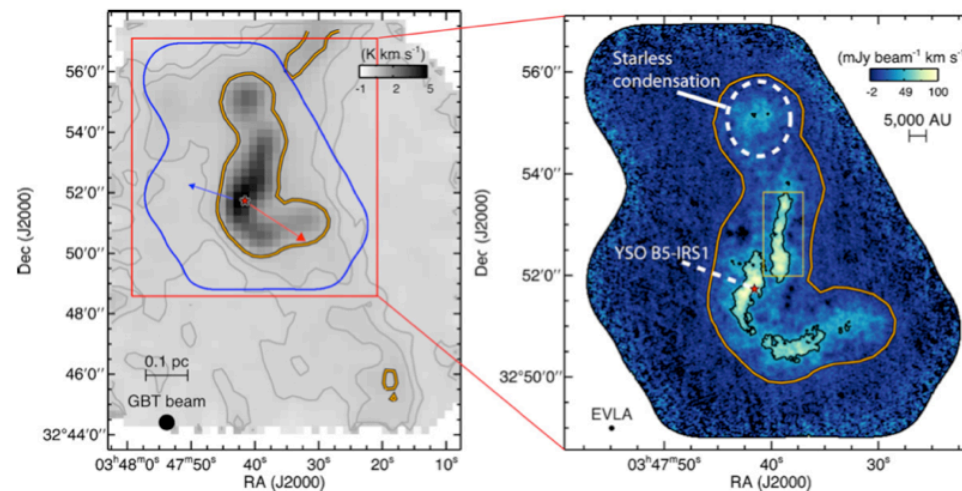
# BUT MAYBE IT'S DIFFERENT?



isothermal,  
hydrostatic filaments,  
not turbulent ones?

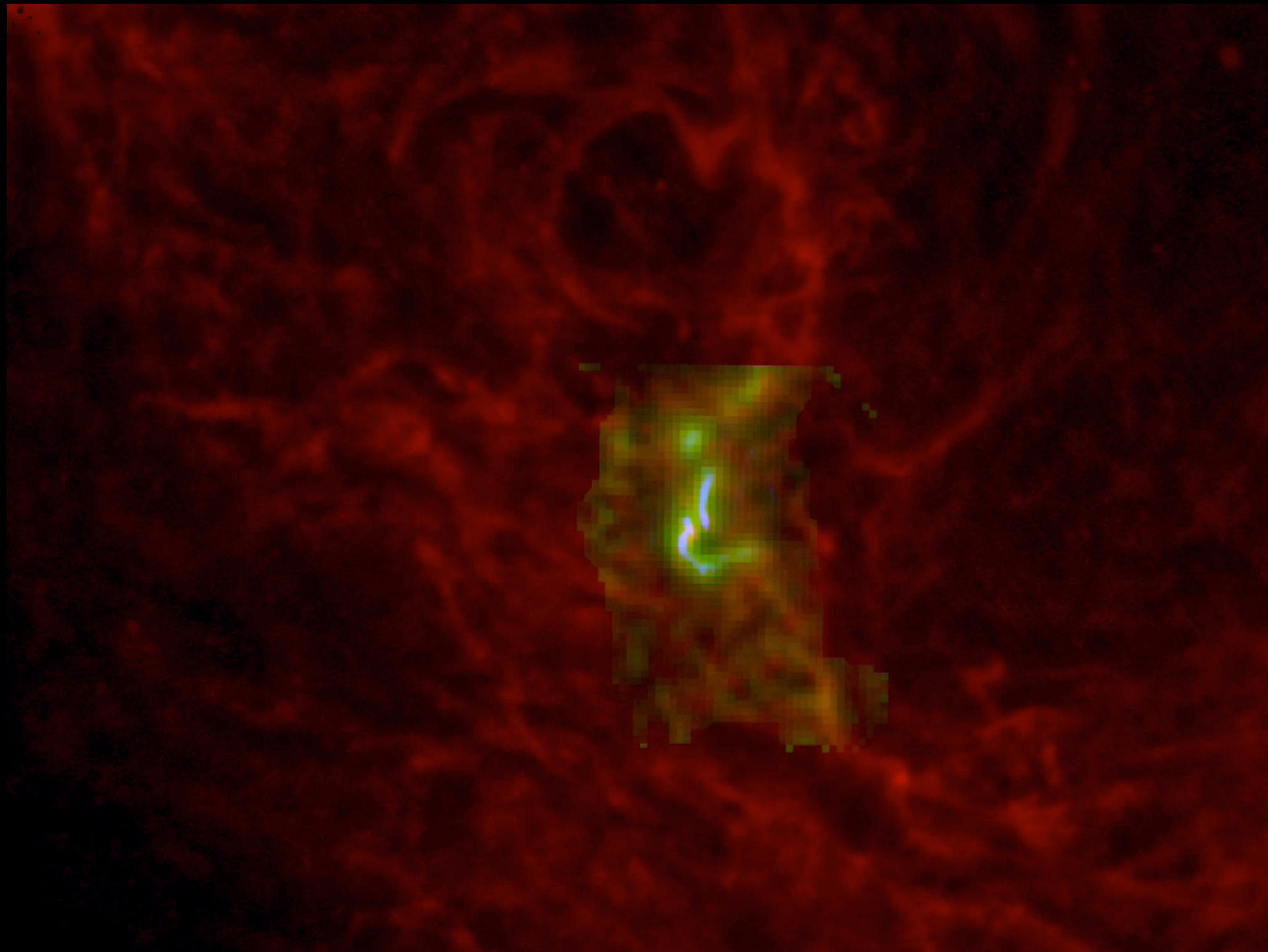
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# BUT WHAT IF FILAMENTS CONTINUE ACROSS "CORE" BOUNDARIES?!

blue =VLA ammonia (high-density gas); green=GBT ammonia (lower-res high-density gas); red=Herschel 250 micron continuum (dust)





SHHH...

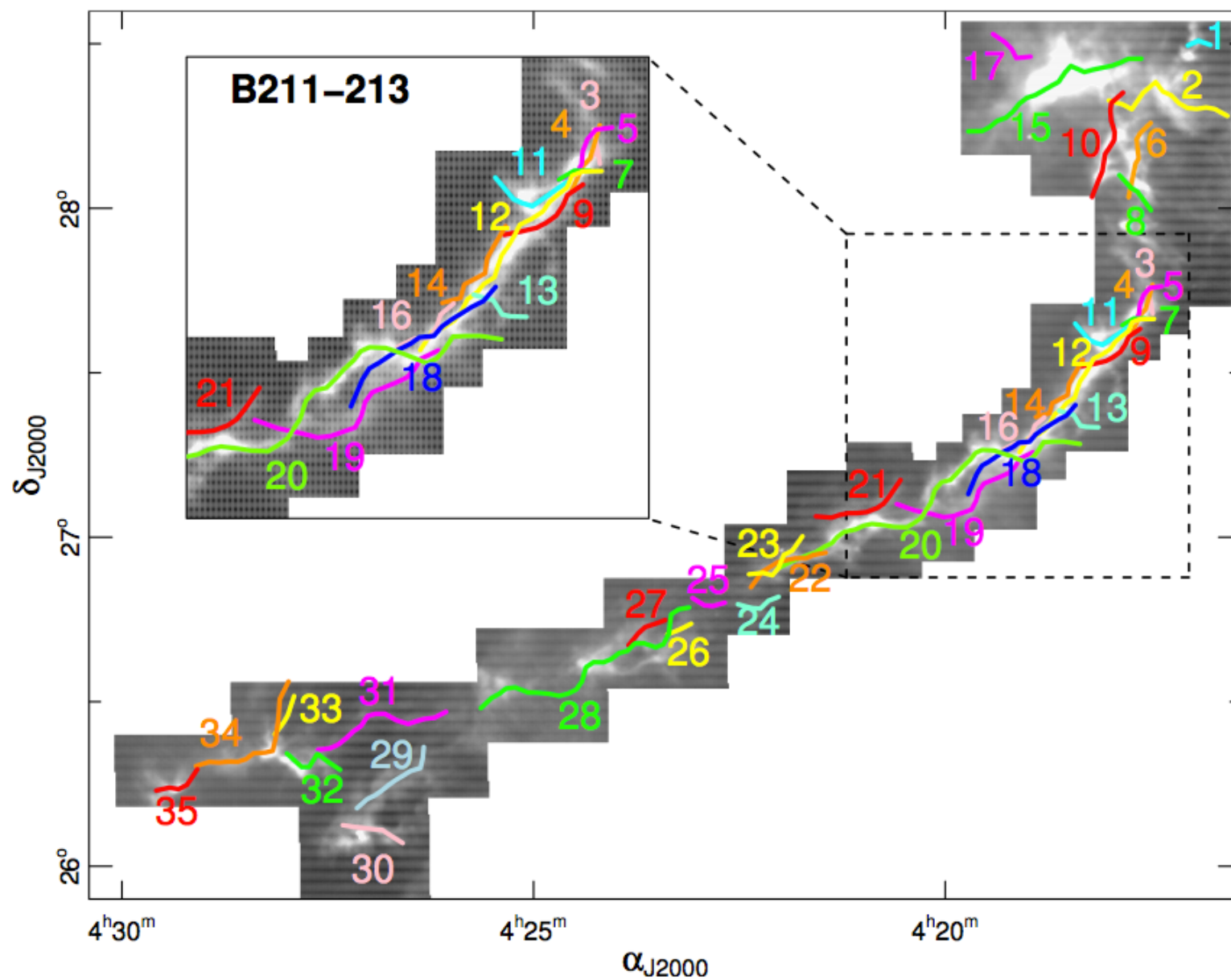
*“filament fragmentation  
on scales of  $\sim 5,000$  AU  
offers a viable pathway to the  
formation of multiple systems”*

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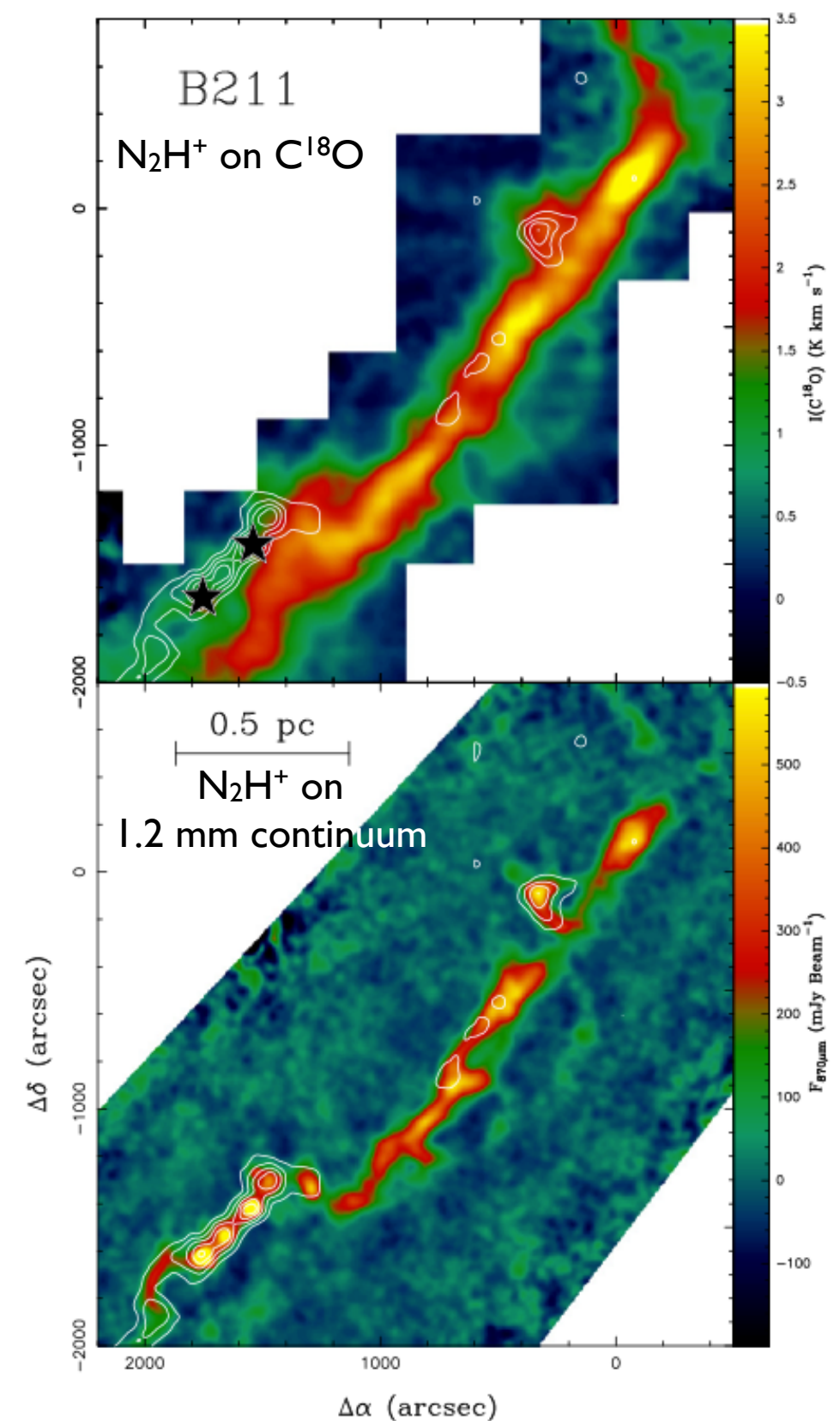


Now, we (all!) need to try *FIVE*, from Hacar et al. 2013, to study “coherent” core-filament relation.

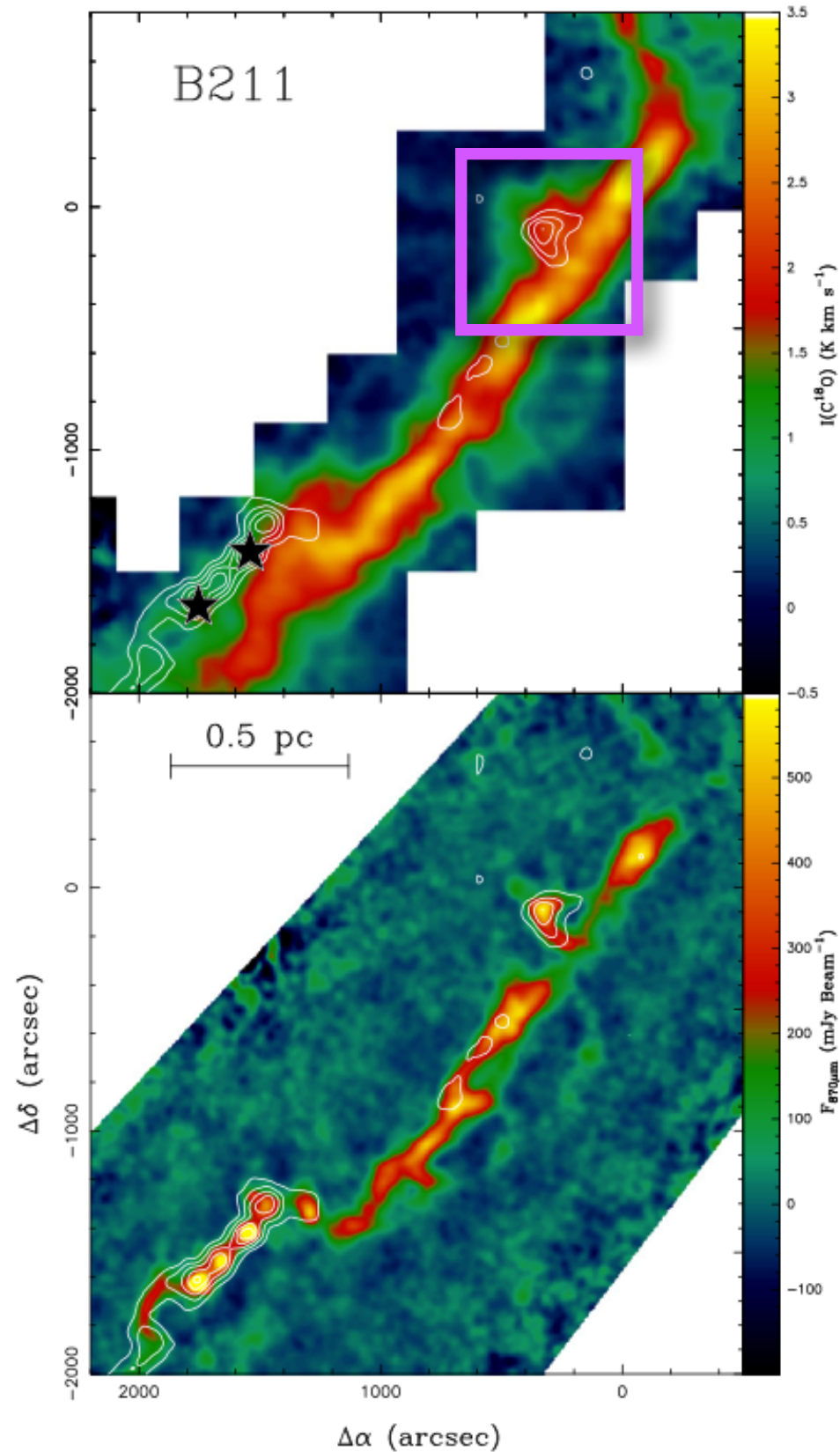
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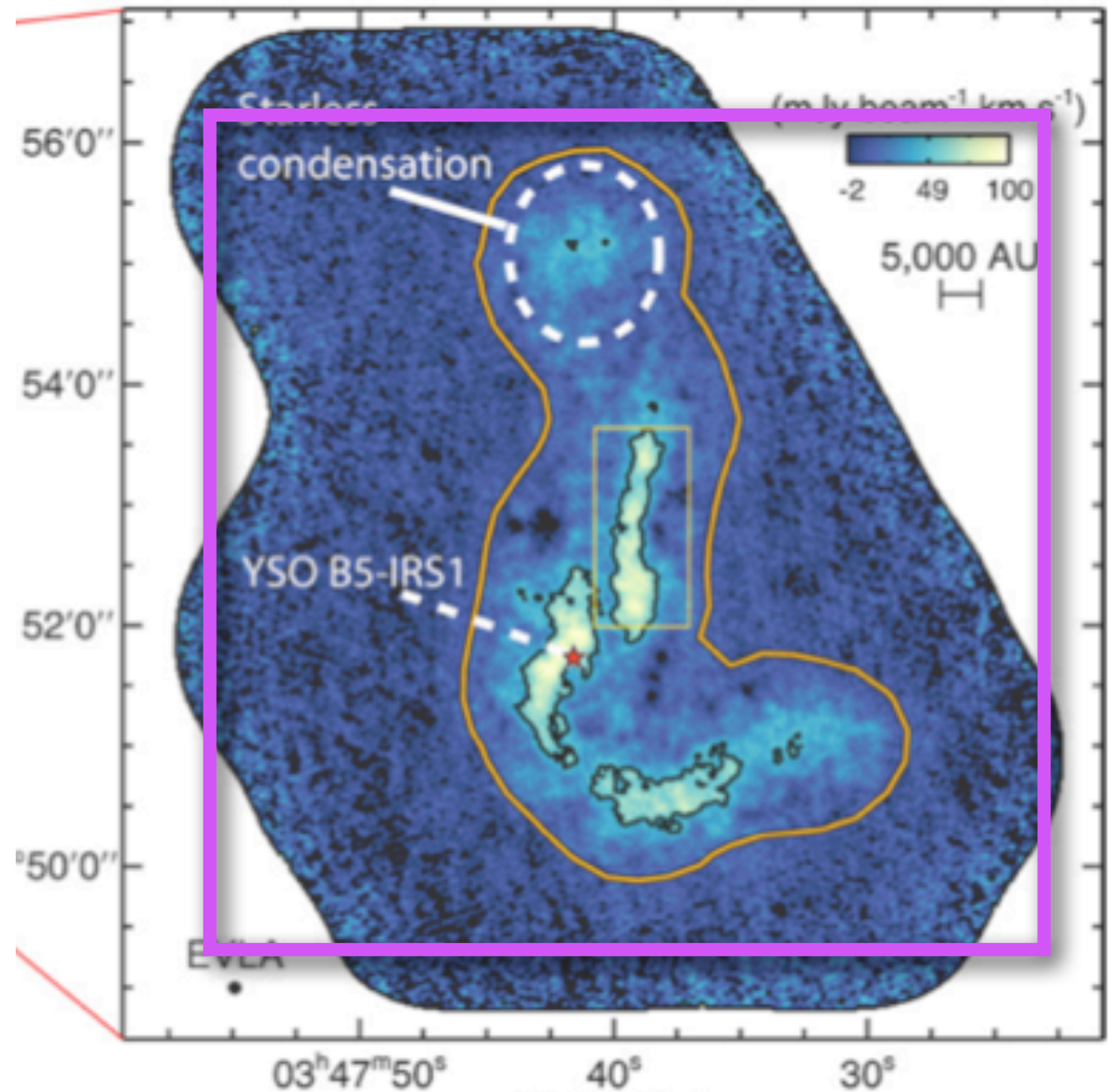
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# COMPARING SCALES



Taurus (Hacar et al.)

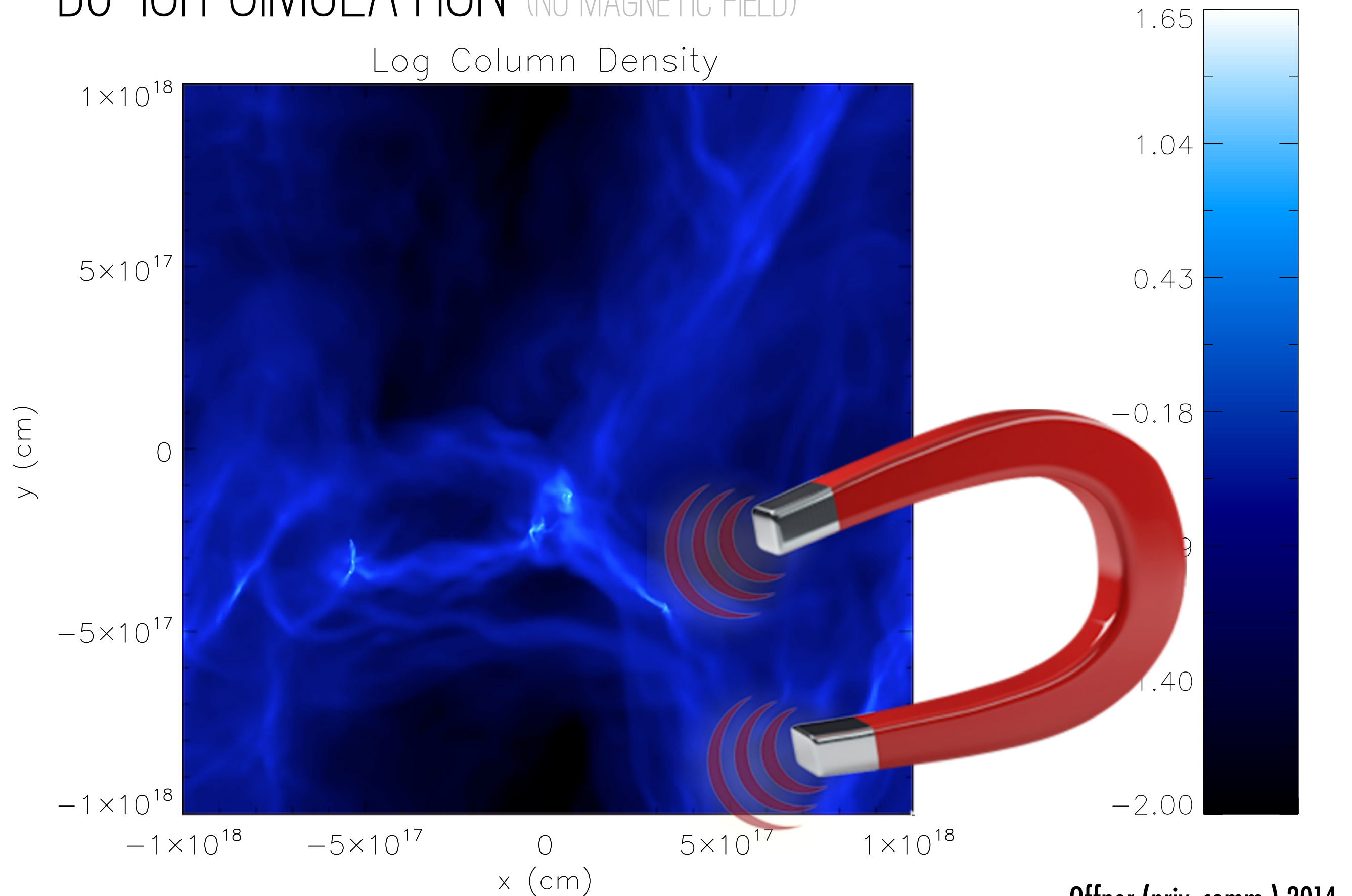


B5 (Pineda et al.)



# B5-ISH SIMULATION (NO MAGNETIC FIELD)

Log Column Density

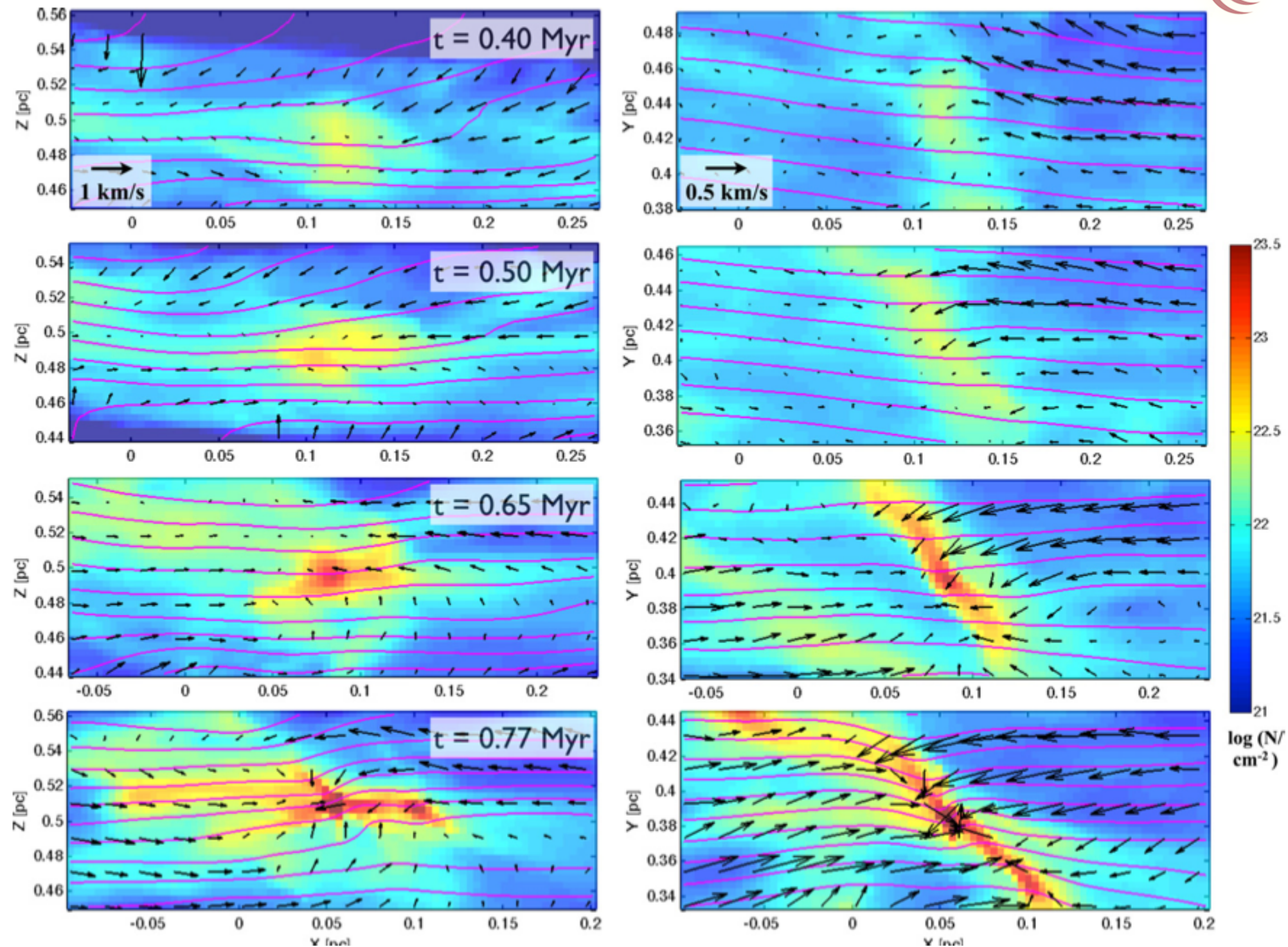


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# B5-ISH? SIMULATION (WITH MAGNETIC FIELD)



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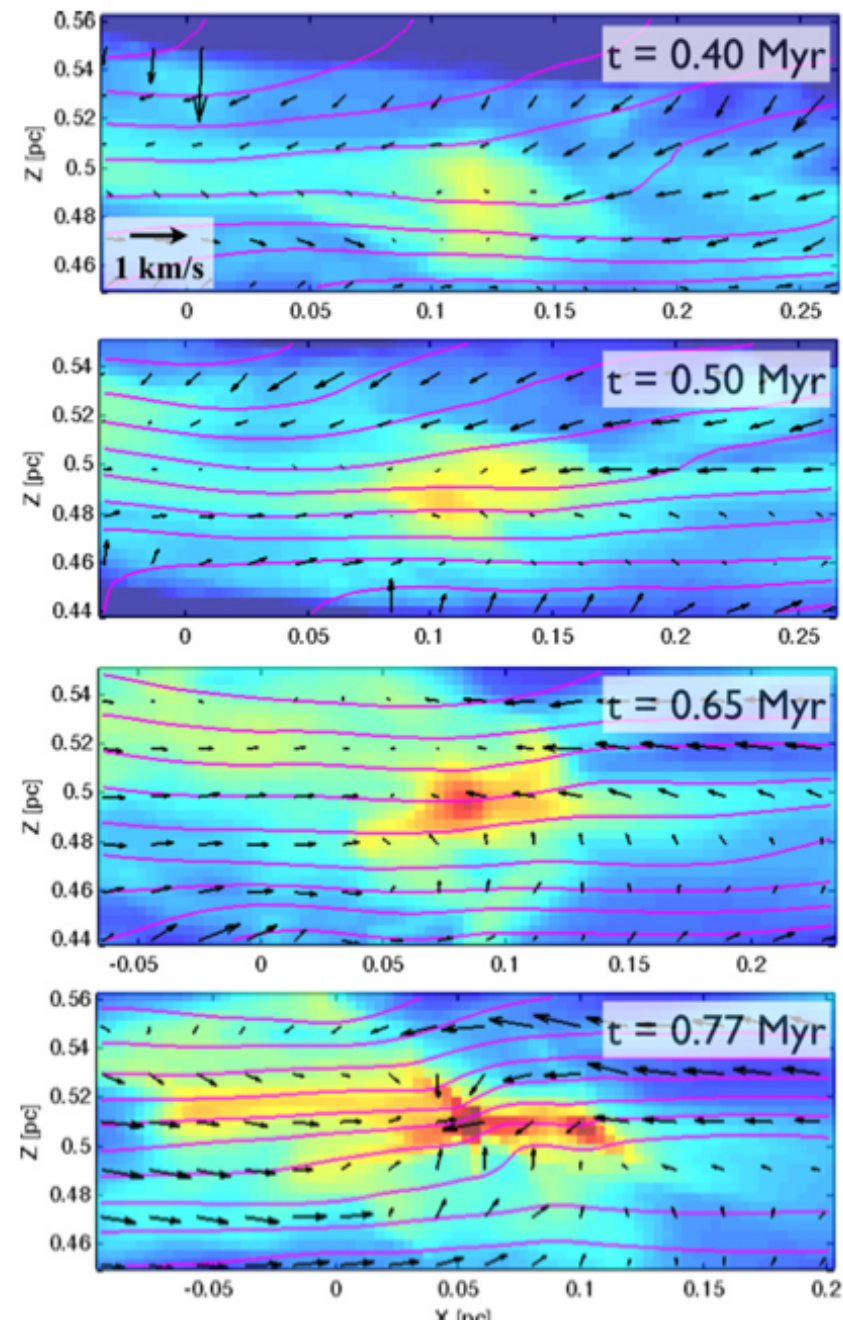


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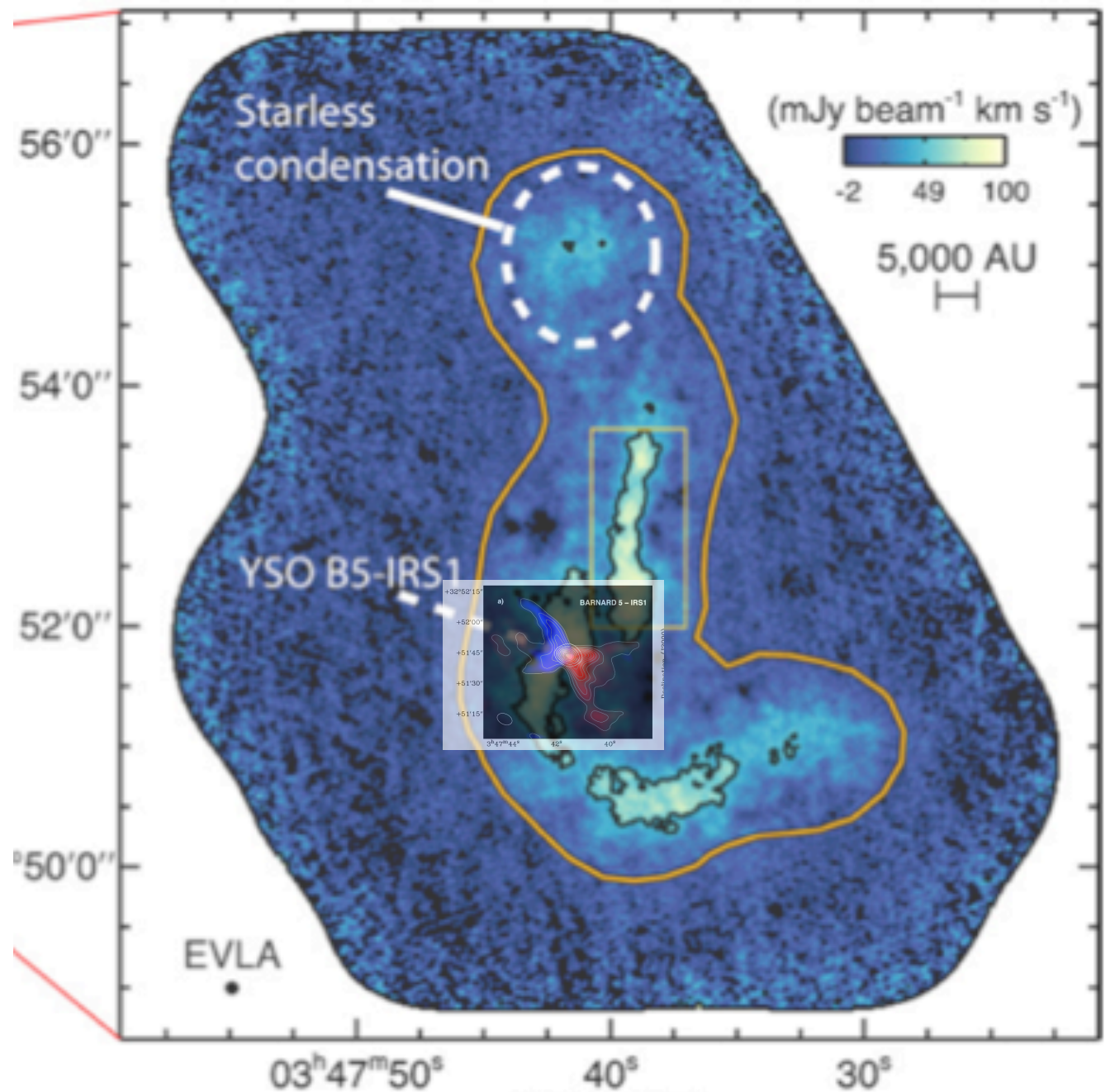


# TO THE SAME SCALE...

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**MHD (Chen & Ostriker 2014)**



**B5 (Pineda et al.)+Zapata et. al. 2013**