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# **New Deuterium and 3-Helium Abundance Determinations for the Galactic ISM**

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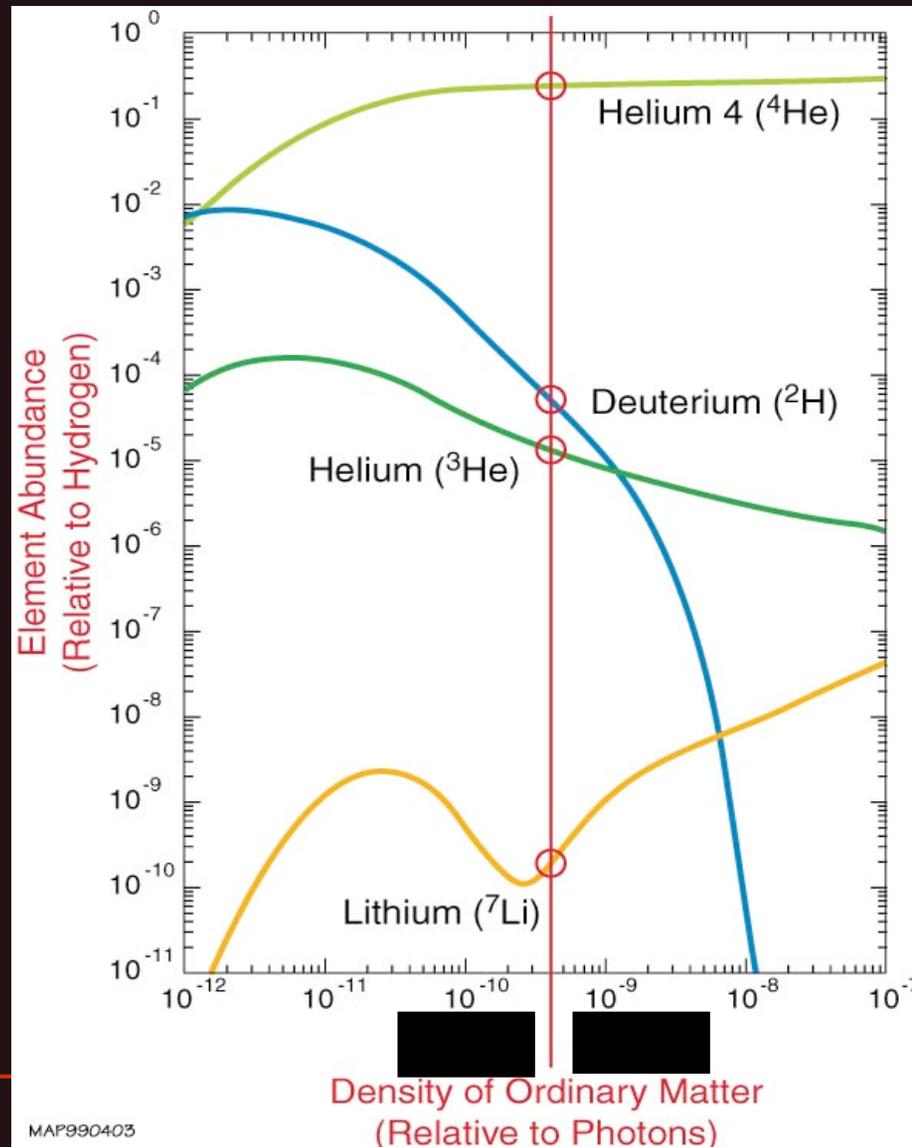
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***Boston University***

# Light Elements as Baryometers



# The 327 MHz Deuterium Line

Rogers, Dudevoir, Carter, Fanous, Kratzenberg, and Bania  
2005, ApJ, **630**, L41-44 (RDCFKB):

“Deuterium Abundance in the Interstellar Gas of the Galactic Anticenter from  
the 327 MHz Line” **92 cm wavelength**



Overall view of the 25 5x5 crossed dipole stations of the Deuterium array

# Haystack Observatory, Westford, MA

Array: 24 stations  
Station: 24 crossed Yagis  
Station Area: 12 m<sup>2</sup>  
Station Beam: 14°  
Beam Steering: +/- 40°  
Frequency: 327.4 MHz  
Bandwidth: 250 kHz  
Channels: 1024  
Resolution: 244 Hz  
Polarization: Dual Linear  
System Temperature: 40 K + sky  
# Rx Ports: 48 x 24 = 1152



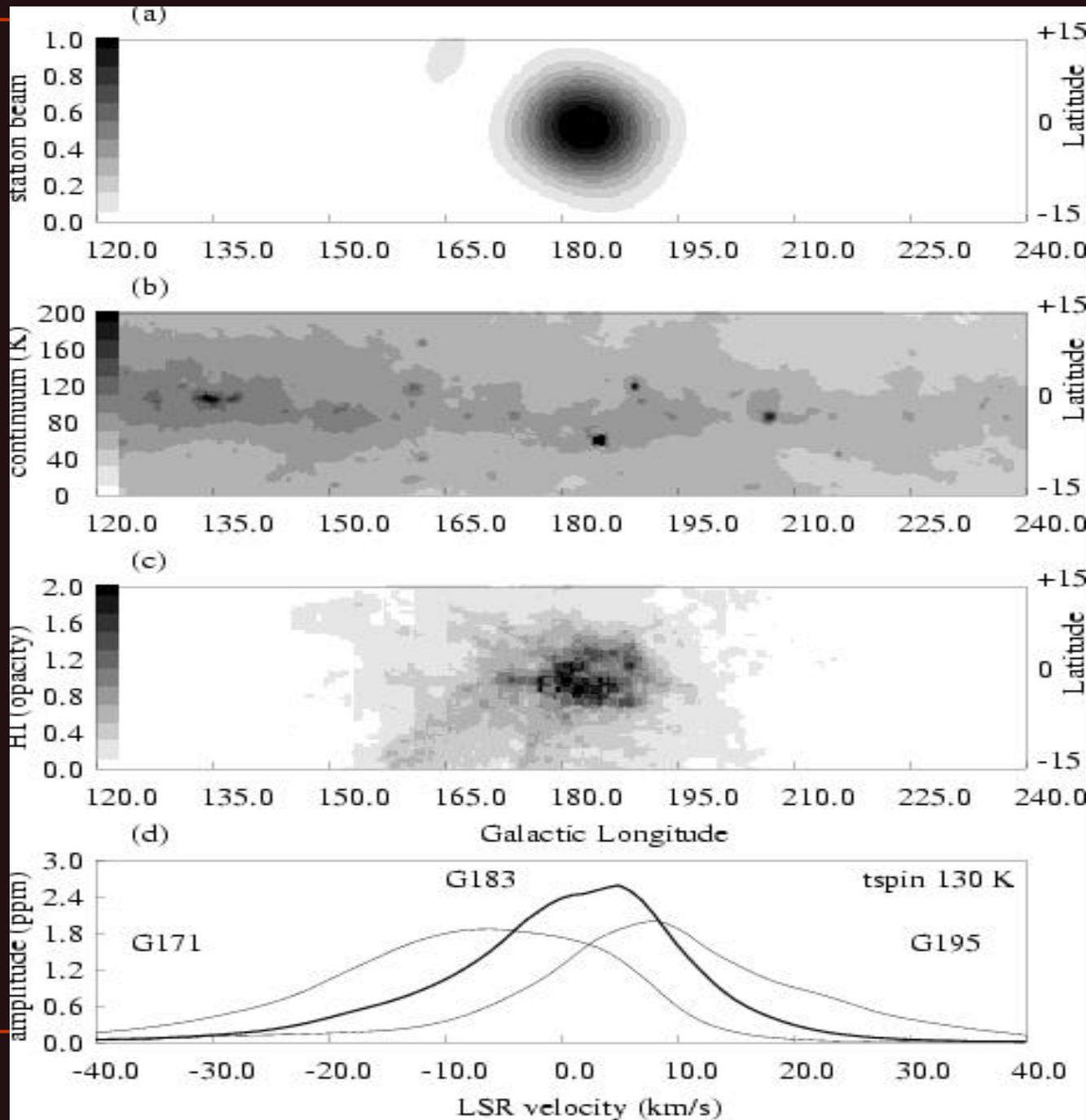
**DI**

**Beam**

**Continuum**

**HI**

**Model DI Spectra**

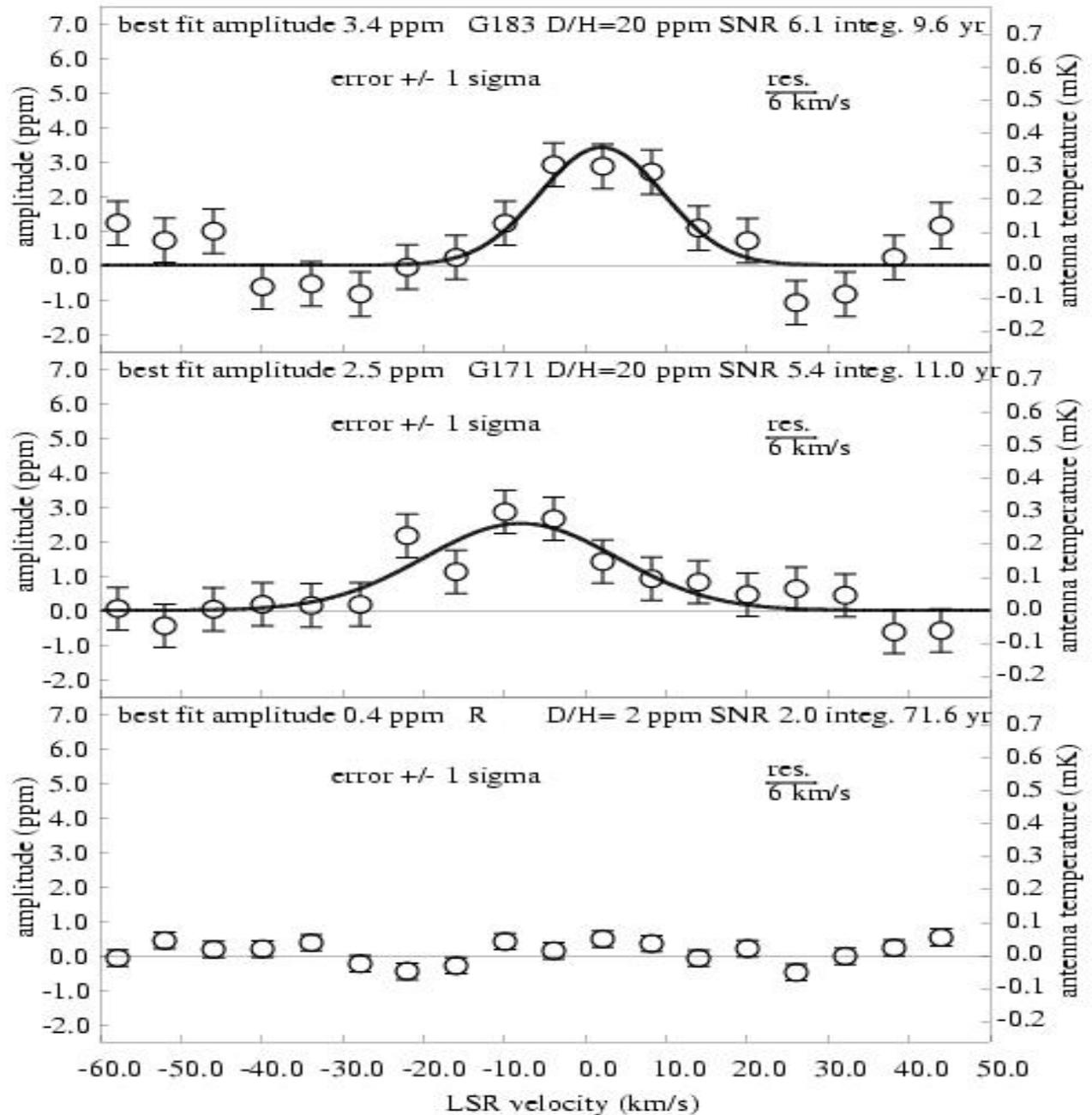


Oct 2005

$L = 183^\circ$

$L = 171^\circ$

Blank  
Fields



Tue Sep 27 11:33:02 2005

# GALACTIC ANTICENTER D/H ABUNDANCE

L (deg)	D/H x 10 <sup>+5</sup>	Integration (yr)	
183	2.3 +/- 0.4	6.5	RDCFKB
	2.0 +/- 0.3	9.6	Oct 2005
171	1.5 +/- 0.5	7.2	RDCFKB
	2.0 +/- 0.4	11.0	Oct 2005
195	1.7 +/- 0.8	3.1	RDCFKB

\* Spin Temperature Range: 100-150 K

\* Continuum Uniformly Distributed Along Line of Sight

\* 1 Sigma measurement errors

$$\Rightarrow \langle D/H \rangle = (2.0 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-5} \Leftarrow$$

for  $R_{gal} = (10 \pm 1) \text{ kpc}$

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I ♥  ${}^3\text{He}$

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# 3-Helium in Planetary Nebulae

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Bob Rood (UVa),

Dana Balser (NRAO),

Miller Goss (NRAO),

Cintia Quireza (ON, Brazil),

Tom Wilson (MPIfR)

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**Observe  $^3\text{He}$  using the hyperfine (spin-flip) line of  $^3\text{He}^+$**

*Analog of the 21 cm line of H*

$$\nu = 8665.65 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\lambda = 3.36 \text{ cm}$$



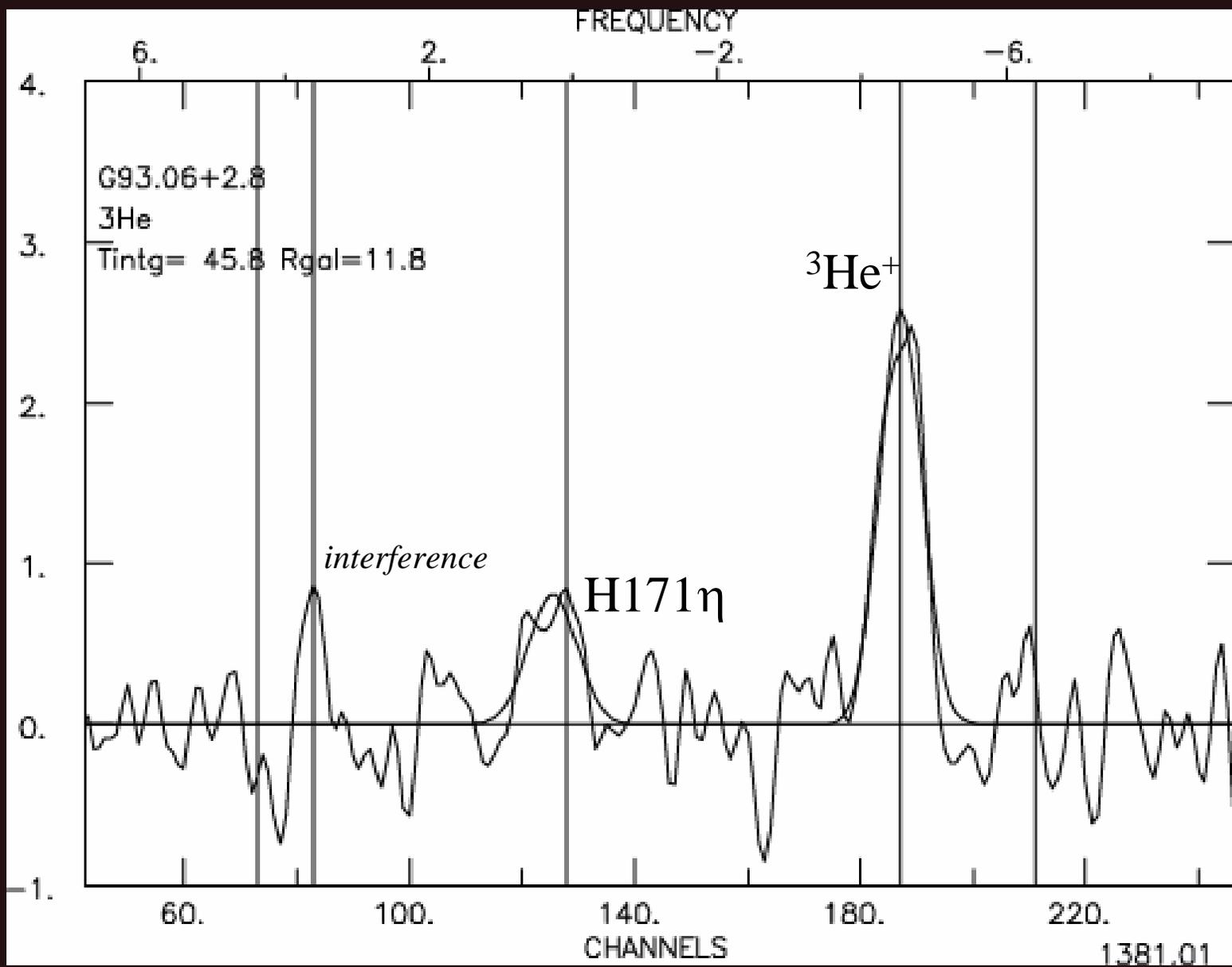
NRAO 140 ft

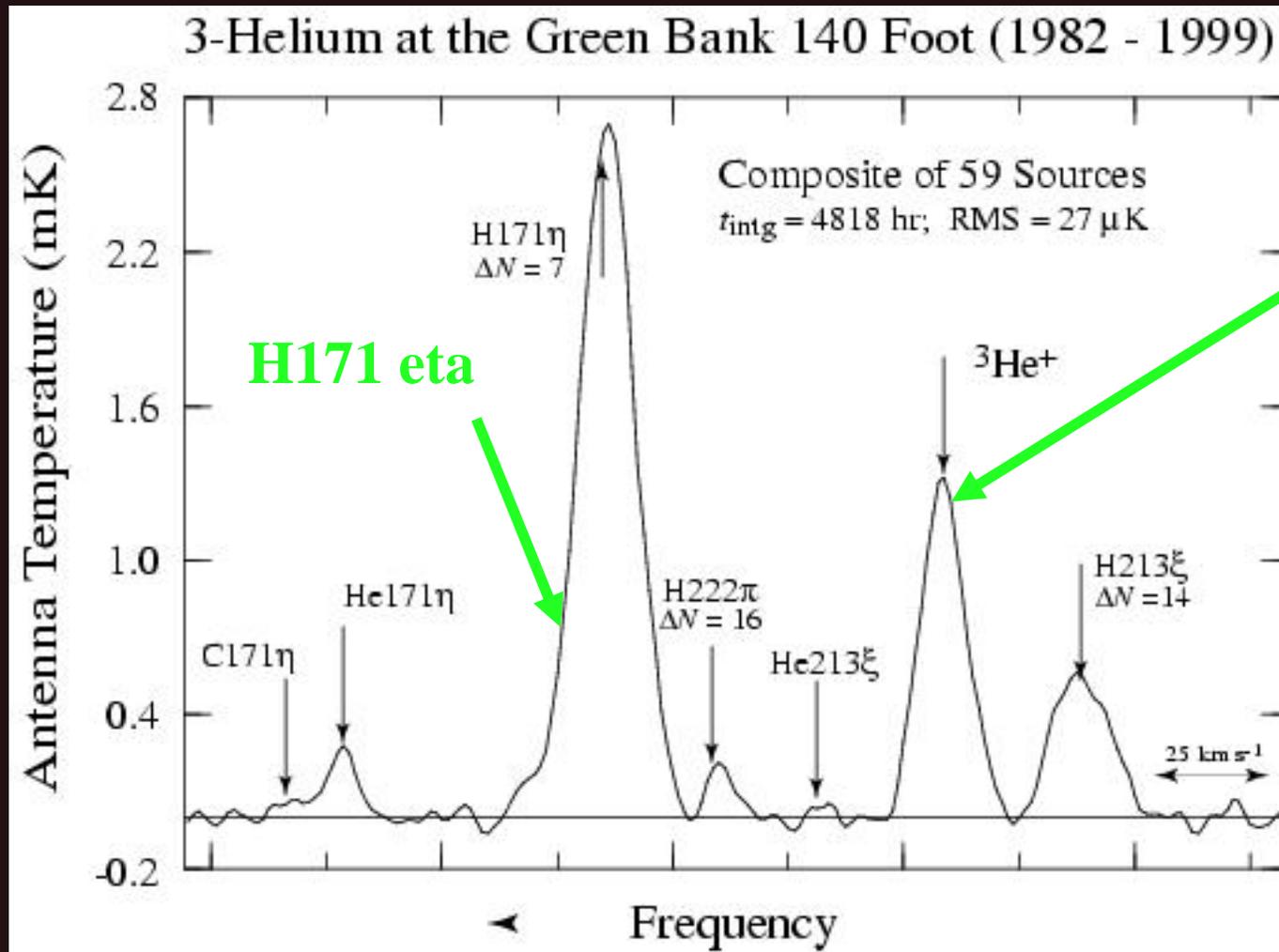
MPIfR 100 m



**H II Regions**

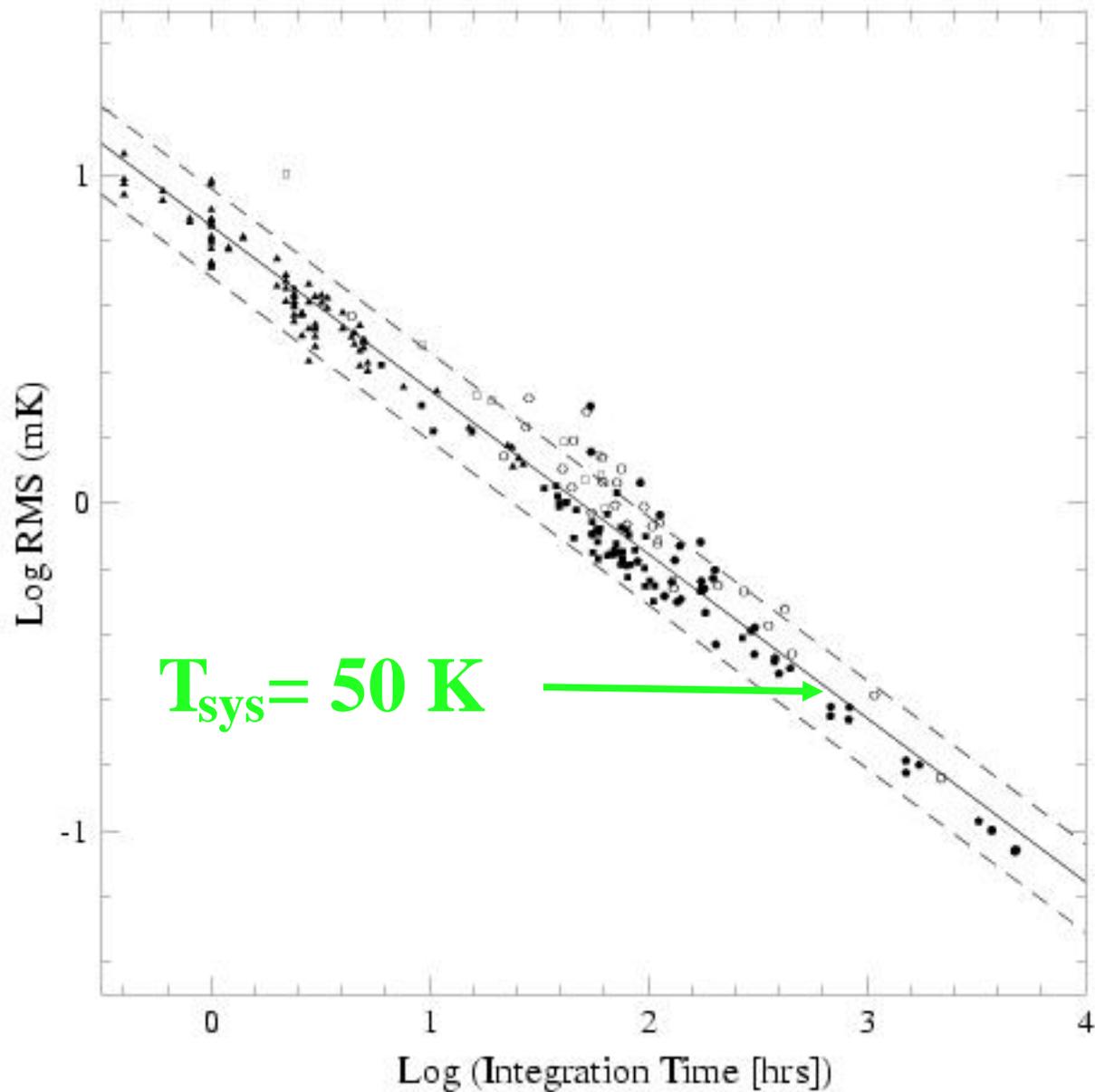
**Planetary Nebulae (PNe)**

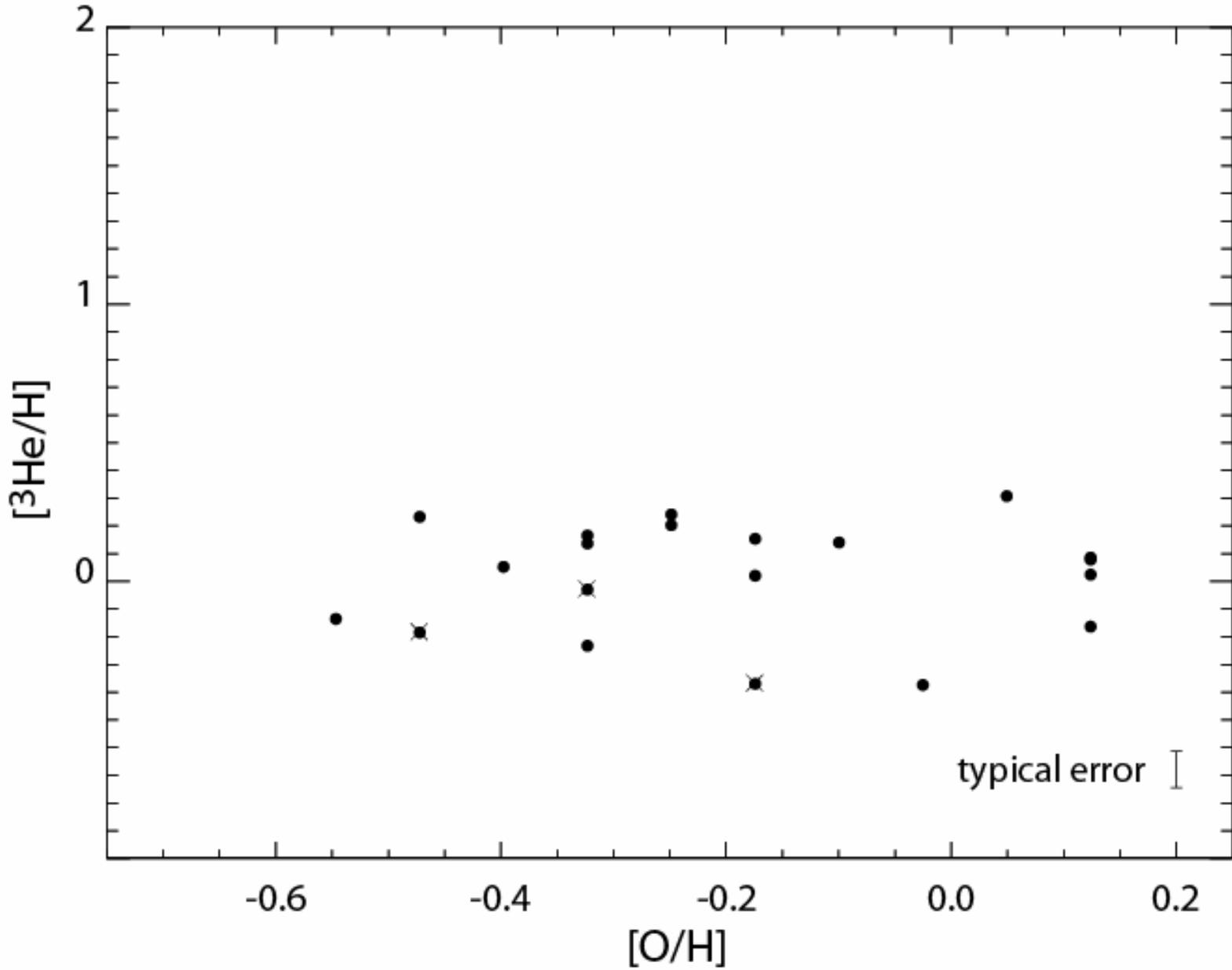




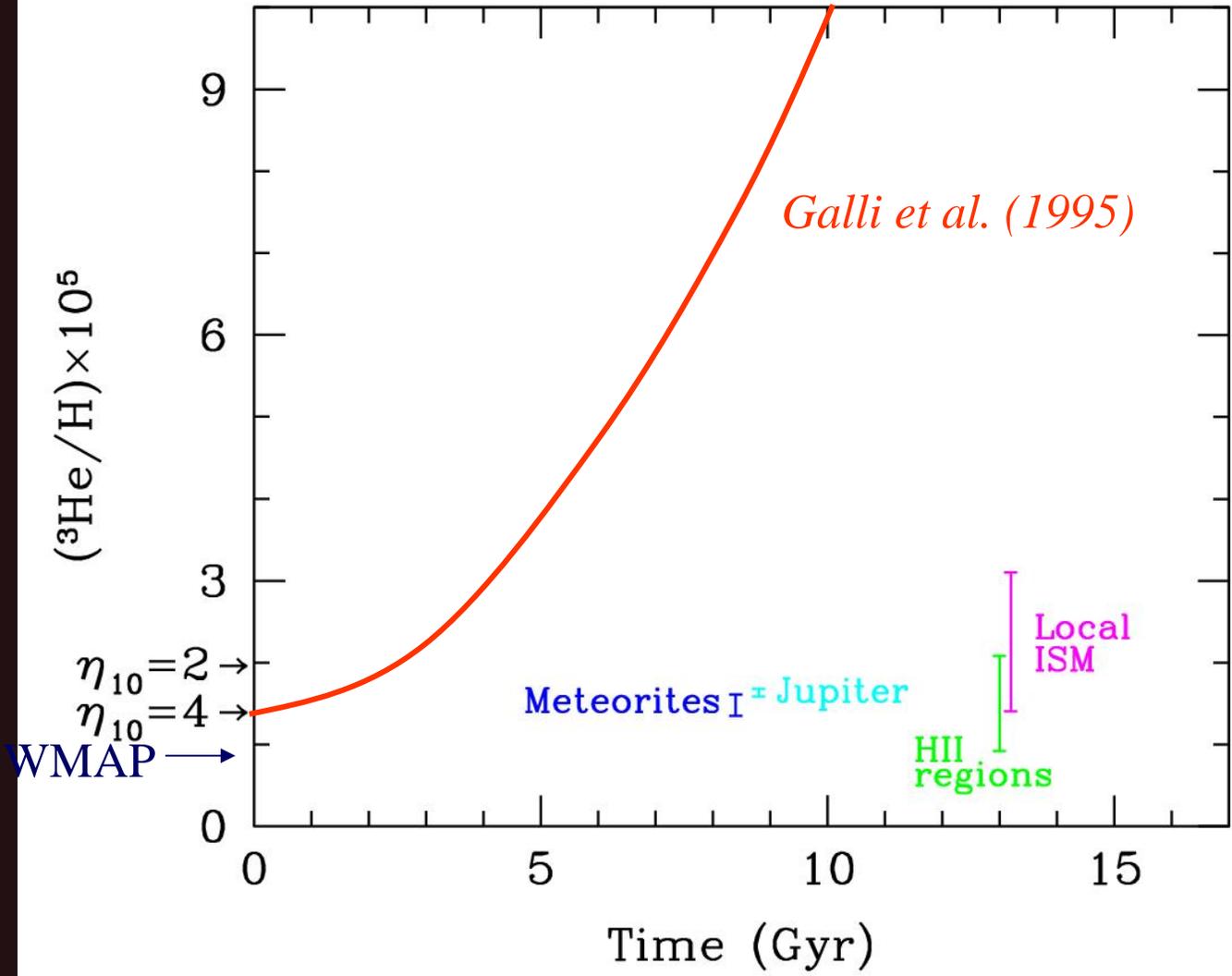
**200 Day Integration: 27 microKelvin RMS**

### 3-Helium Experiment Radiometer Equation: 1982 - 1999





**“Simple” H II Regions**

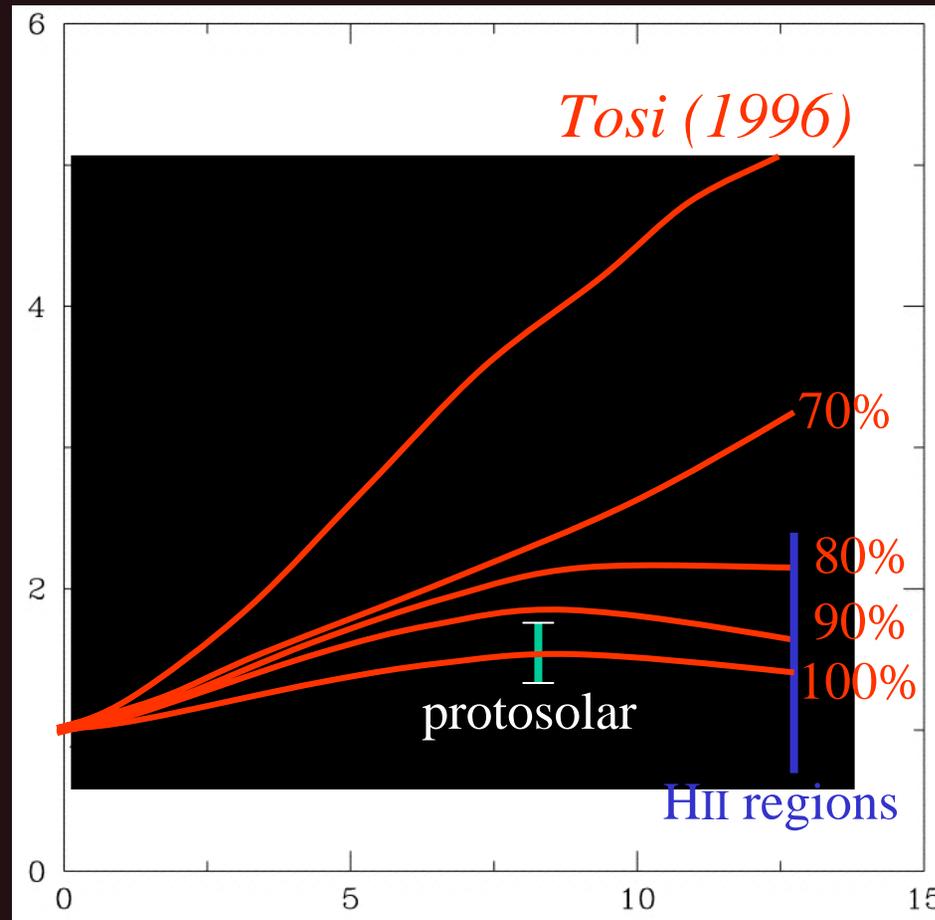


Meteorites: Geiss (1993)  
 Jupiter: Mahaffy et al. (1998)  
 HII regions: Bania, Rood & Balser (2000)  
 Local ISM: Gloecker & Geiss (1998)

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in agreement with *Charbonnel & do Nascimento (1998)*:  
extra-mixing in 93-96 % of low-mass stars  
is needed to explain the  $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$  ratio in RGB stars

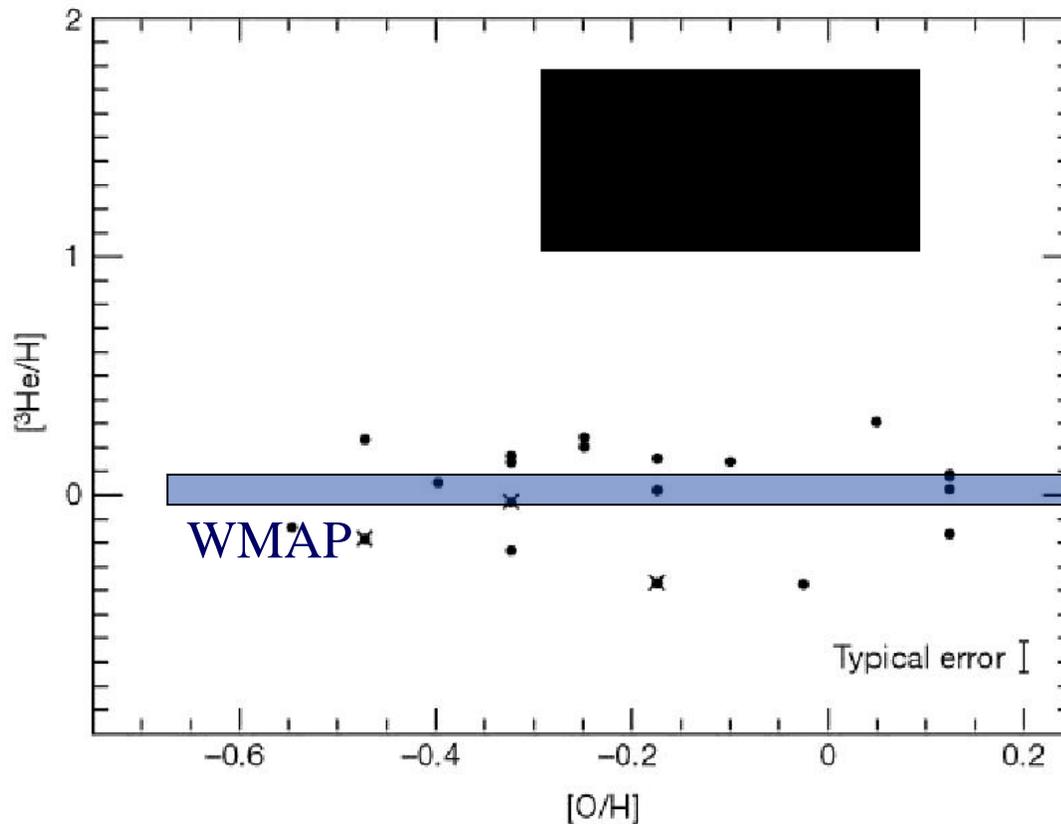
$^3\text{He}/\text{H} \times 10^5$



Time (Gyr)

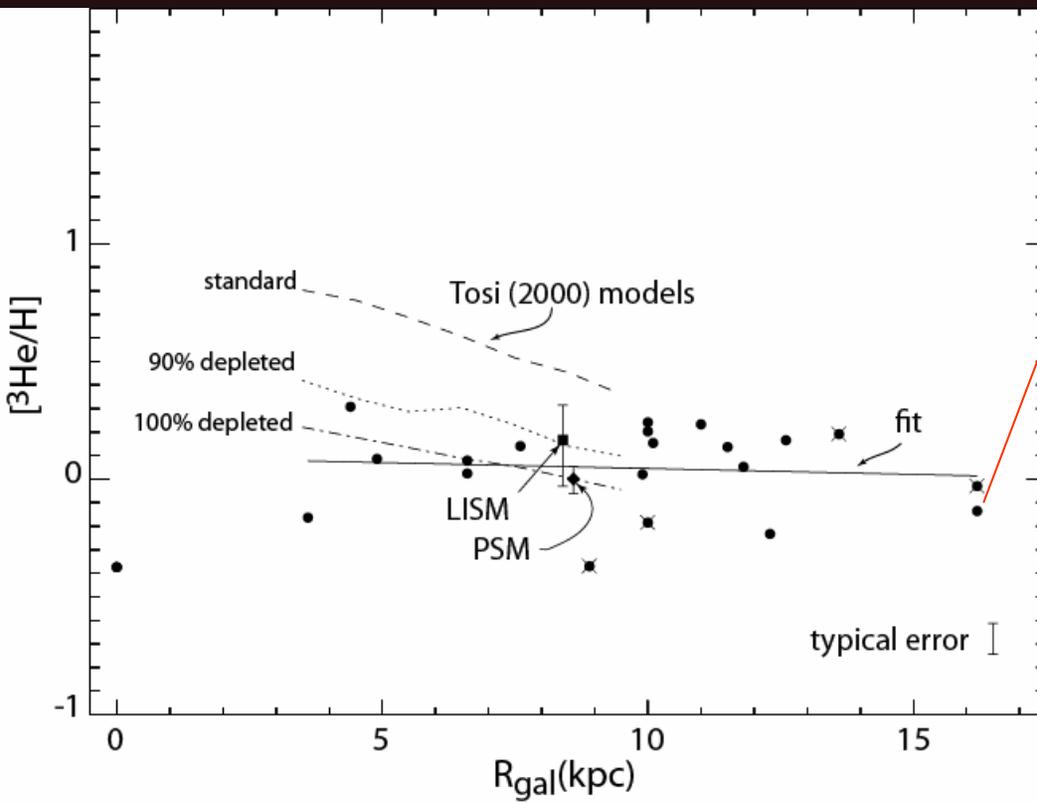


# $^3\text{He}$ Abundance in H II Regions -- *The $^3\text{He}$ Plateau*



$$(^3\text{He}/\text{H})_p = 1.1 \times 10^{-5}$$

*Bania, Rood & Balser (2002)*



**Bania, Rood, & Balser 2002**

$$\eta_{10} = 5.4^{+2.2}_{-1.2}$$

$$\Omega_B = 0.04$$

**Spergel et al. 2003, WMAP**

$$\eta_{10} = 6.5^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$$

$$\Omega_B = 0.047 \pm 0.006$$

**For D highest observed value is a lower limit for cosmological D**

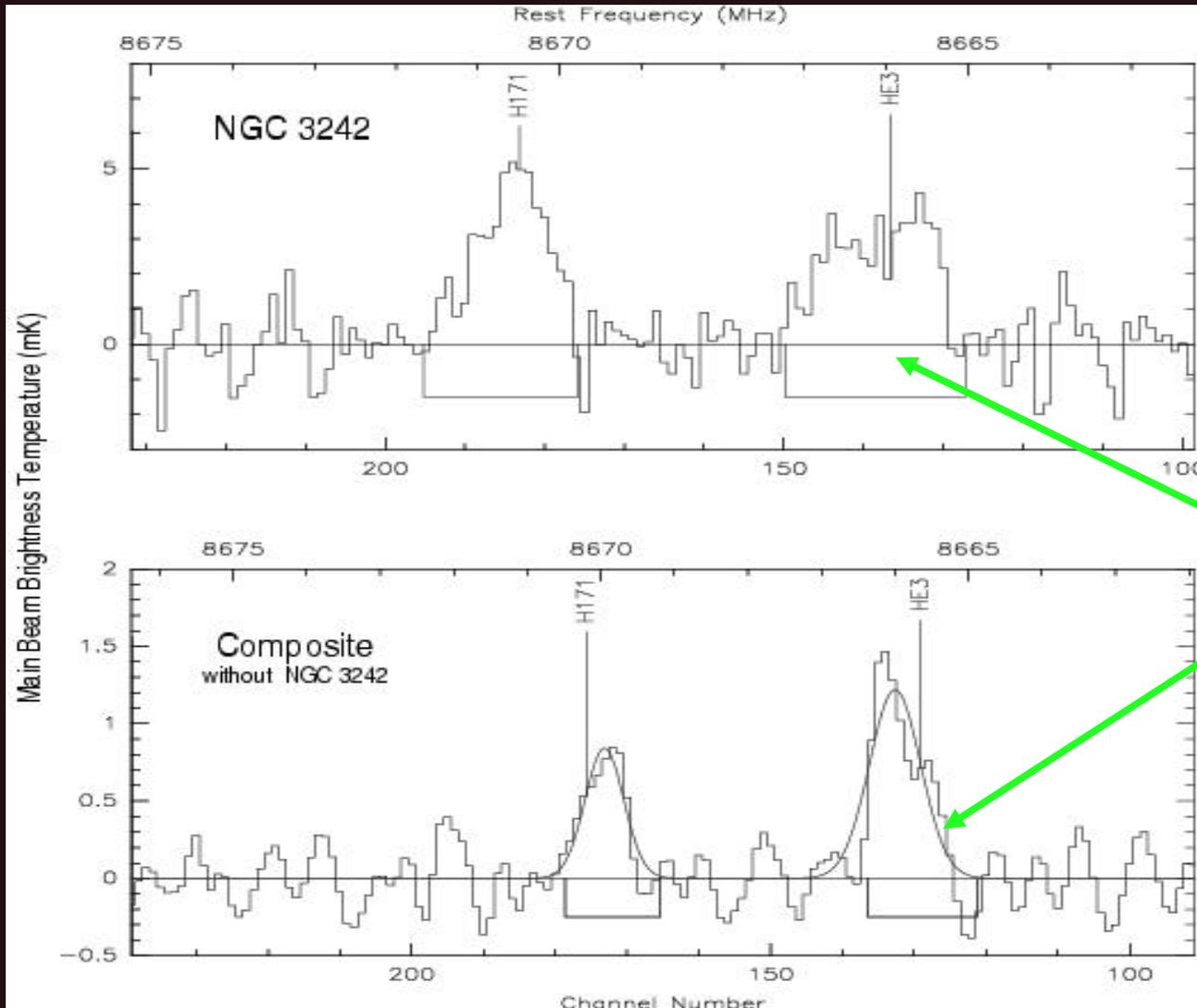
**For  $^3\text{He}$  lowest observed  $^3\text{He}/\text{H}$  is an upper limit for cosmological  $^3\text{He}$**

# MPIfR 100 m PNe Survey

Balser, et al. 1997, ApJ 483, 320

106 hr

1987-  
1997

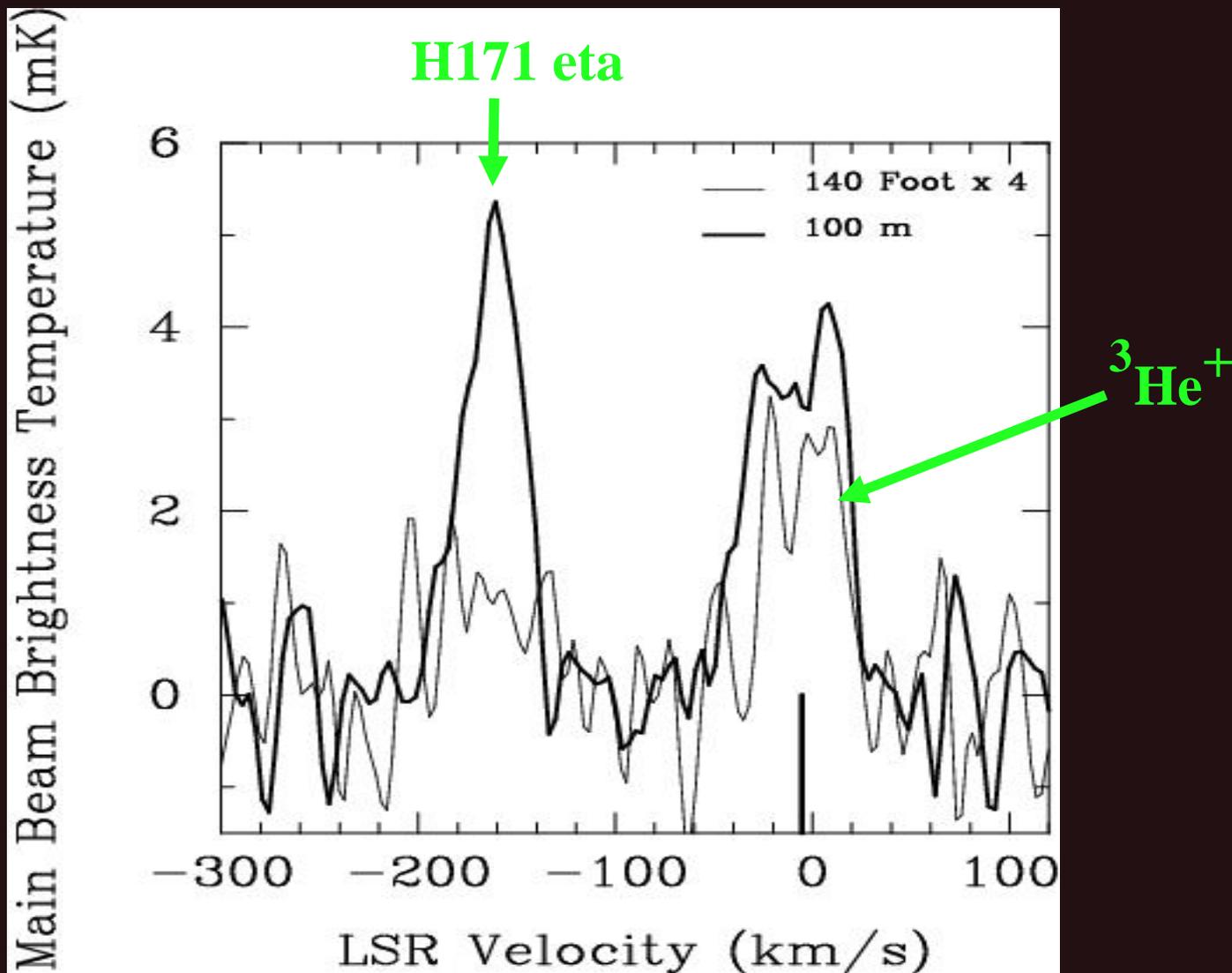


443 hr

$^3\text{He}^+$

Composite: NGC 6543 + NGC 6720 + NGC 7009 + NGC 7662 + IC 289

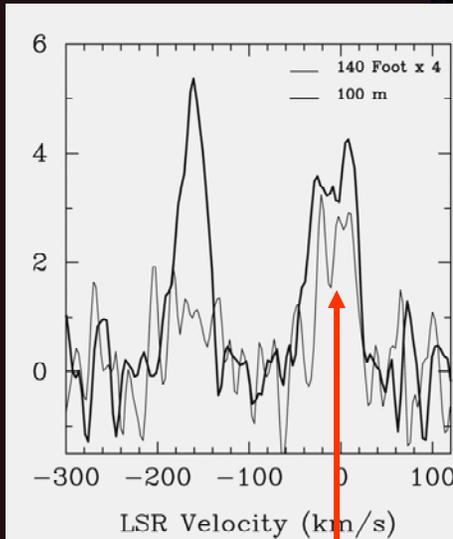
# NGC 3242 Confirmation Balser, et al. 1999 ApJ 522, L73



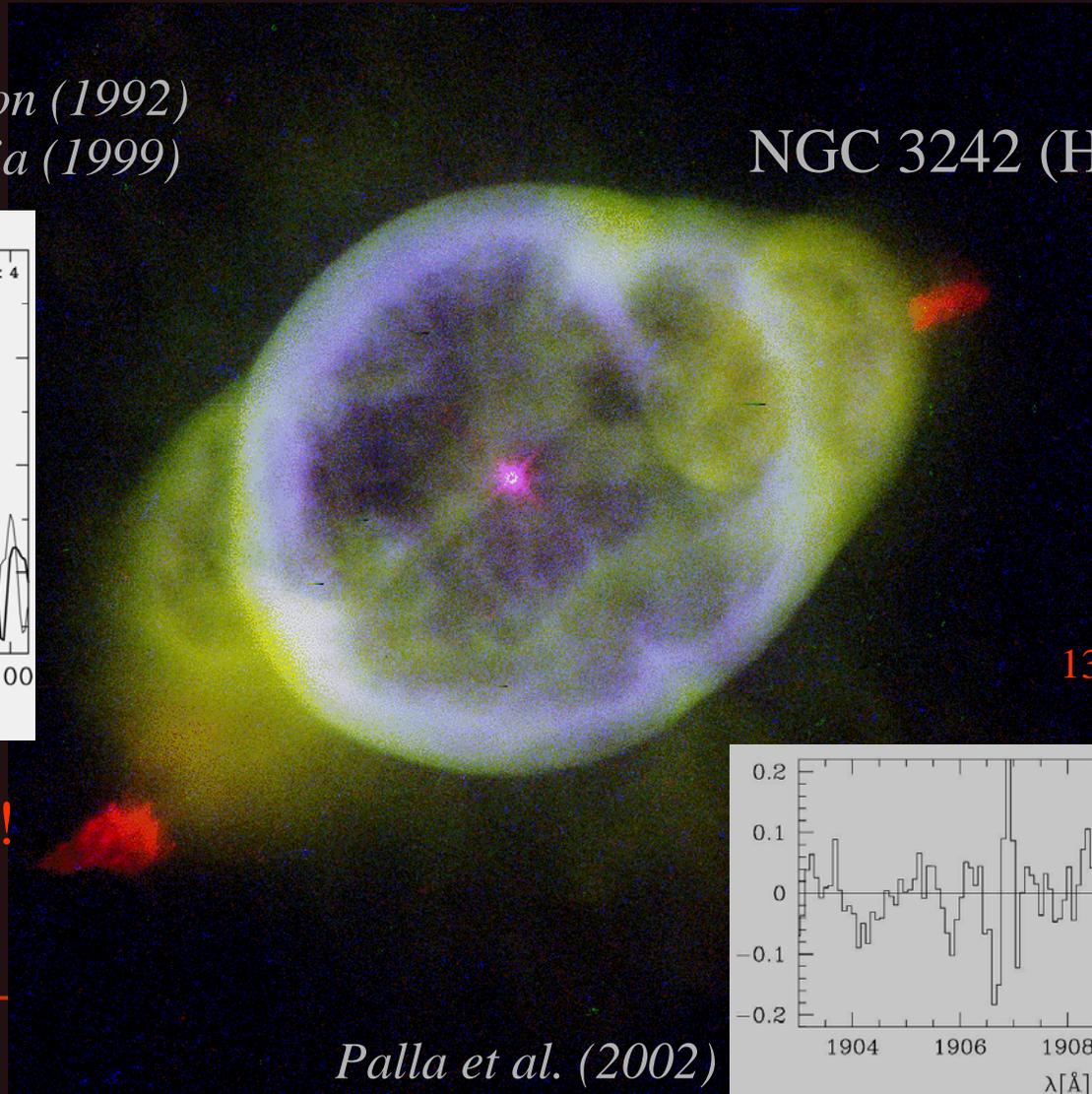
**NRAO 140 ft spectrum is a 270 hour integration**

# The rescue of the standard model

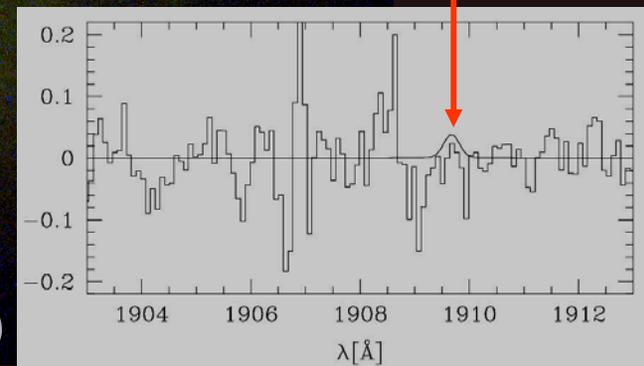
*Rood, Bania & Wilson (1992)*  
*Balser, Rood & Bania (1999)*



NGC 3242 (HST)



*Palla et al. (2002)*



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- $^3\text{He}$  abundance is a good test for cosmology, stellar evolution (standard and non-standard), and Galactic chemical evolution
  - Solving the *3-He Problem* requires extra-mixing in  $\sim 90\%$  of stars with  $M \sim 2 M_{\odot}$
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One is not enough!

Except in cosmology

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# The PN sample:

**PNe progenitor stars with no extra mixing:**

$${}^4\text{He} / \text{H} < 0.125$$

$$[\text{N} / \text{O}] < -0.3$$

${}^{13}\text{C} / {}^{12}\text{C}$  as low as possible

**Oldest possible stellar population has  
highest 3-He:**

**Peimbert Class IIb, III, and IV**

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# GREEN BANK TELESCOPE





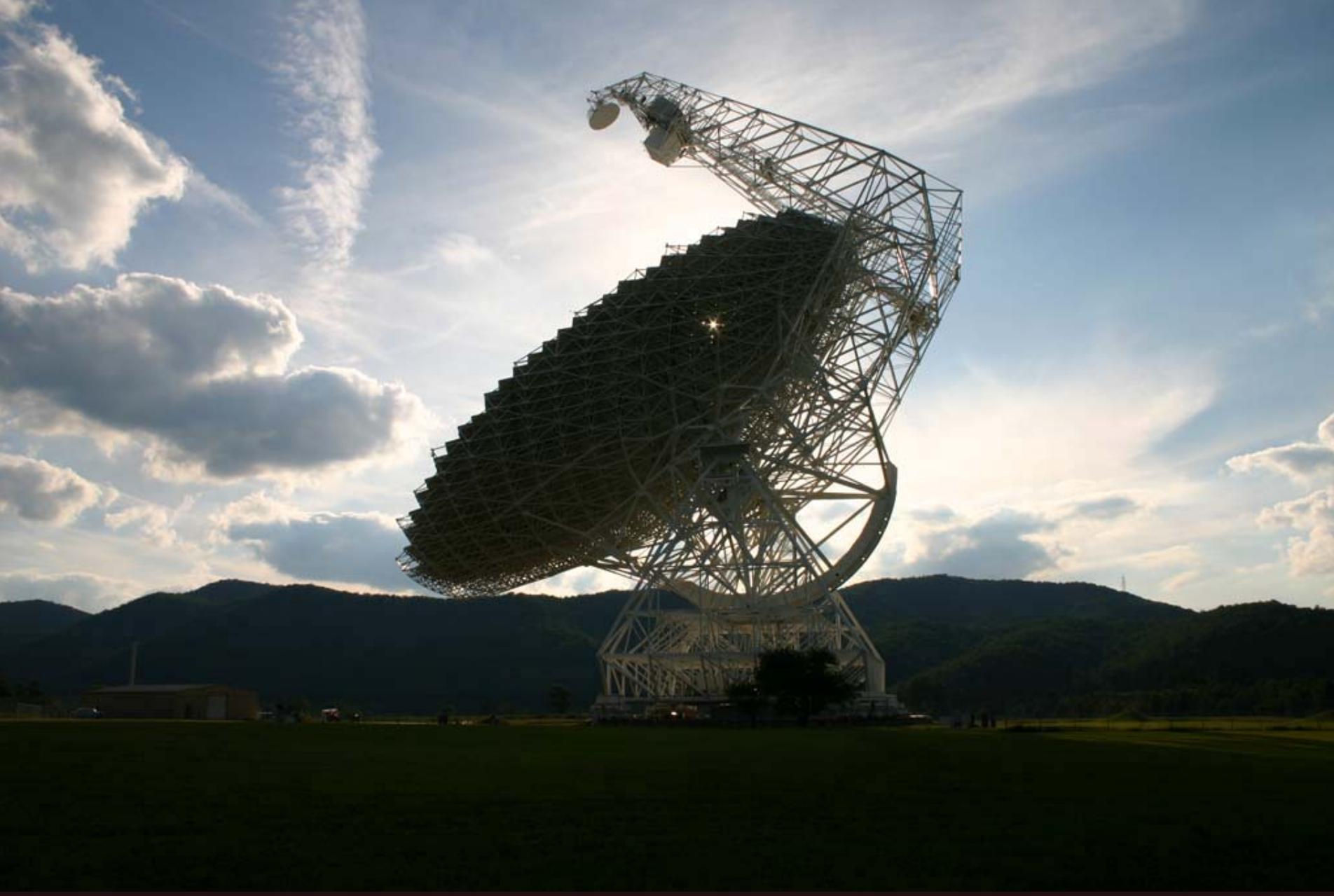


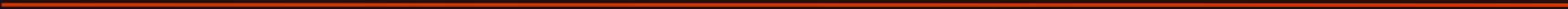
GBT: Surface Area is 8,000 m<sup>2</sup>



GBT: Mass is 7,300,000 kg





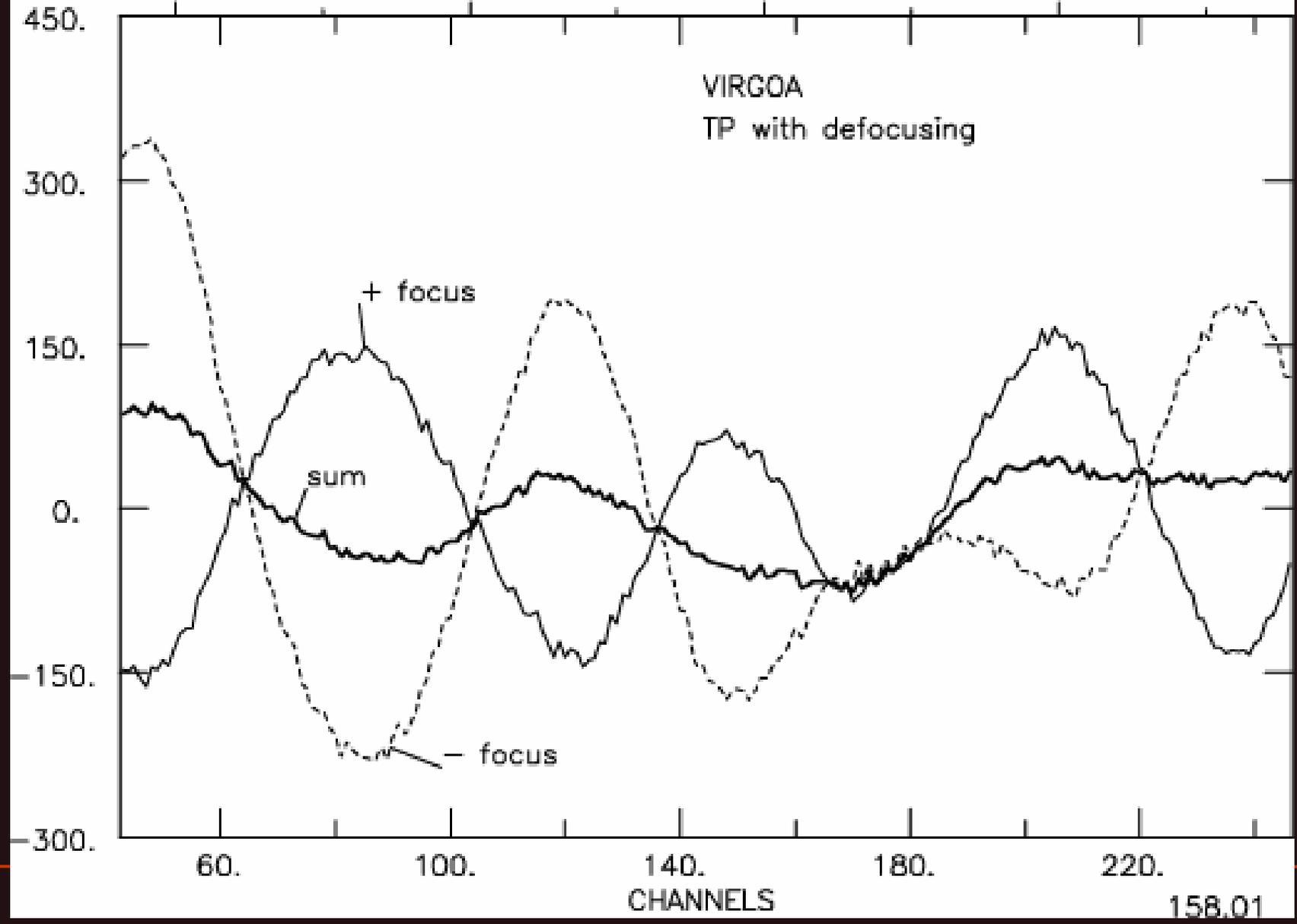




FREQUENCY

12. 4. -4. -12.

VIRGOA  
TP with defocusing



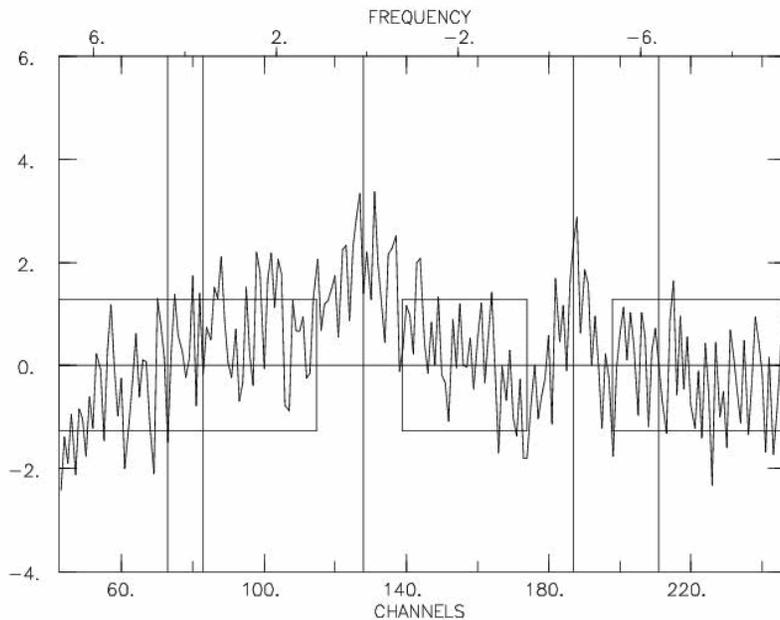
# GBT: Clear Aperture Optics



# S 209 H II Region

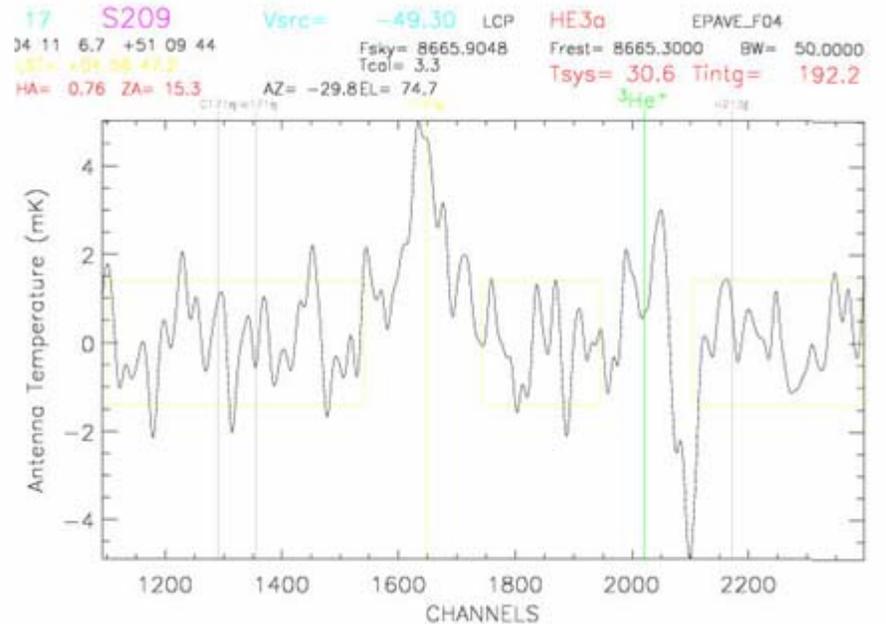
140 ft March 1995

GBT June 2004



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33.1 hr

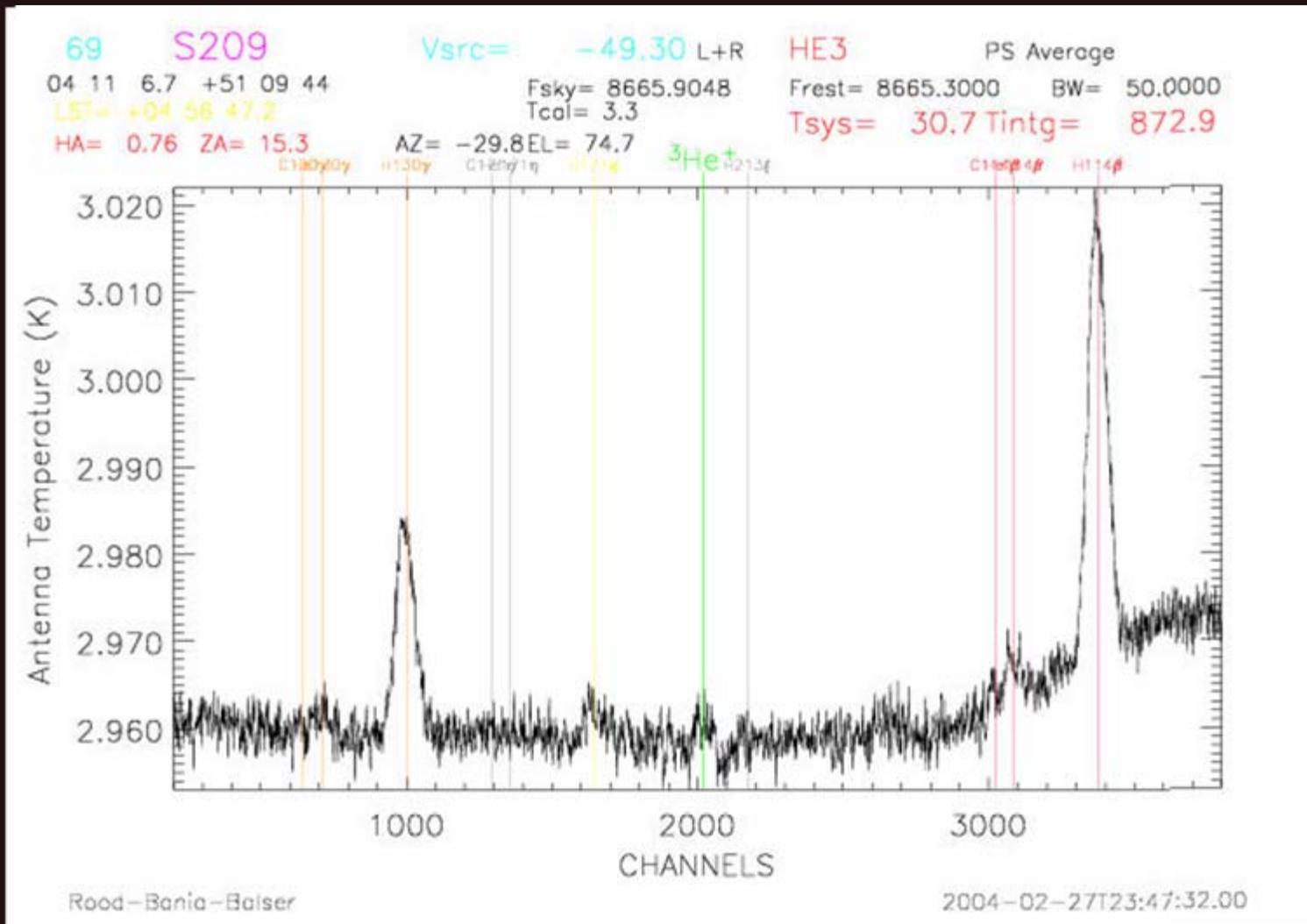


Rood-Banis-Baiser

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3.2 hr

# GBT S 209 H II Region



14.5 hour integration

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04 11 6.7 +51 09 44

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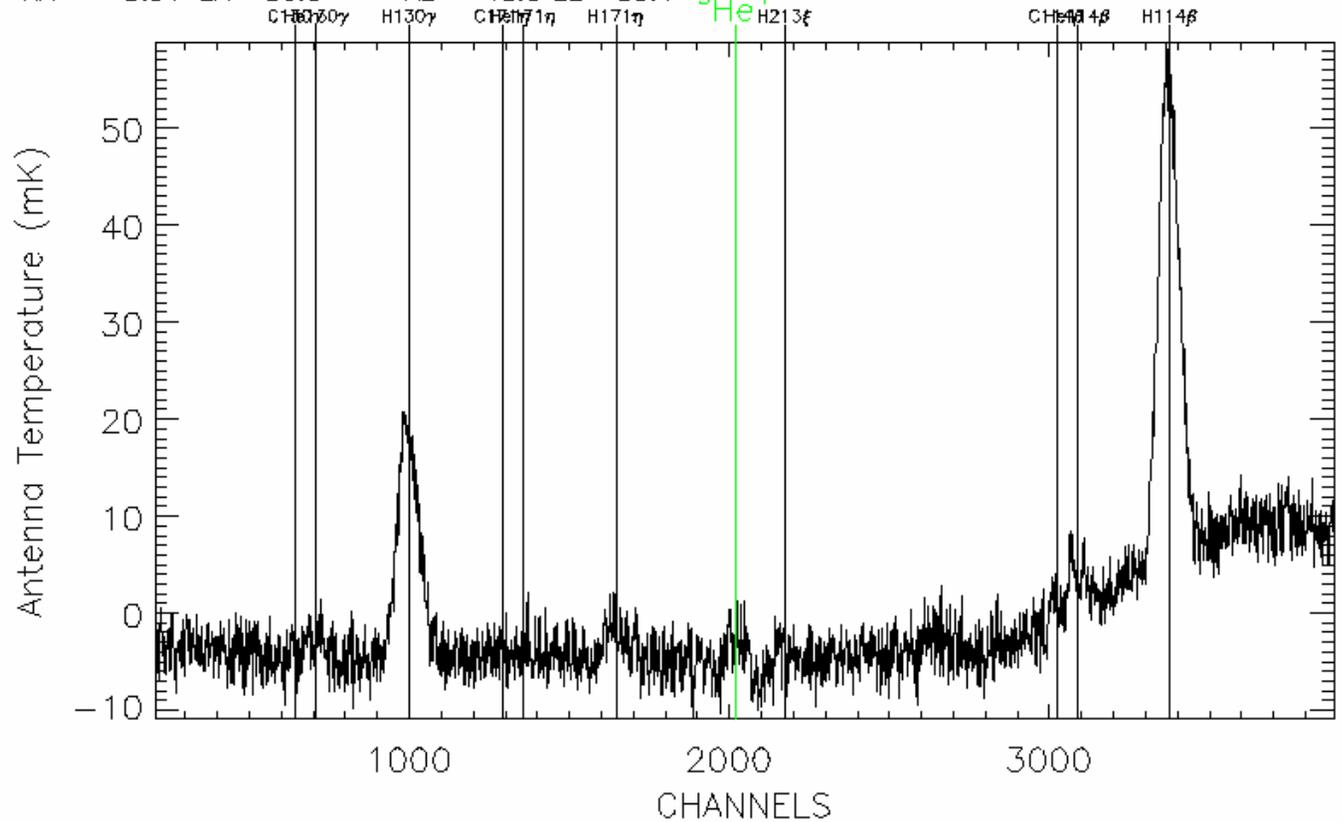
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Tsys= 31.0 Tintg= 908.9

HA= -5.54 ZA= 56.6

AZ= 48.0 EL= 33.4

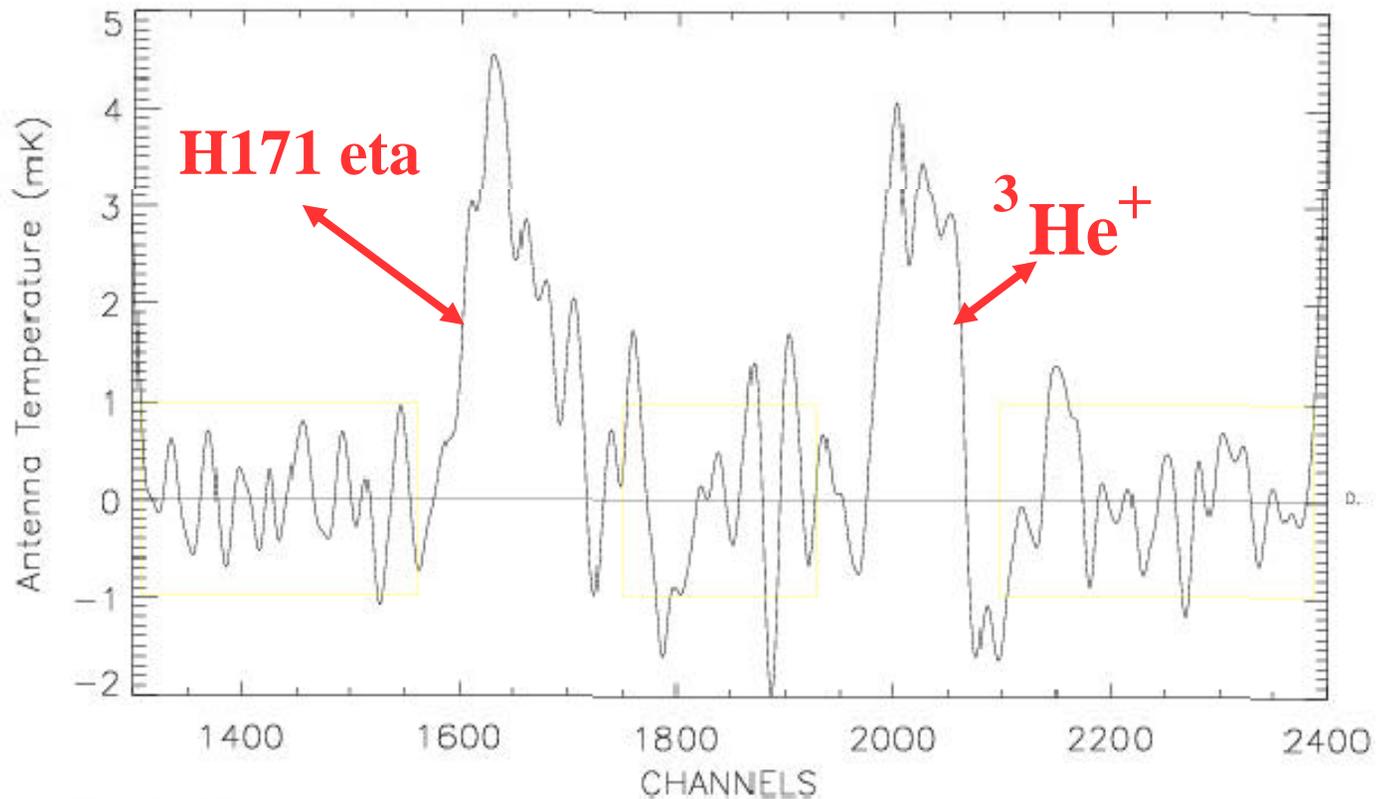


Rood-Bania-Balser

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# S 209 H II Region

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LST= +04 56 47.2 Tcal= 3.3 Tsys= 30.7 Tintg= 872.9  
HA= 0.76 ZA= 15.3 AZ= -29.8 EL= 74.7



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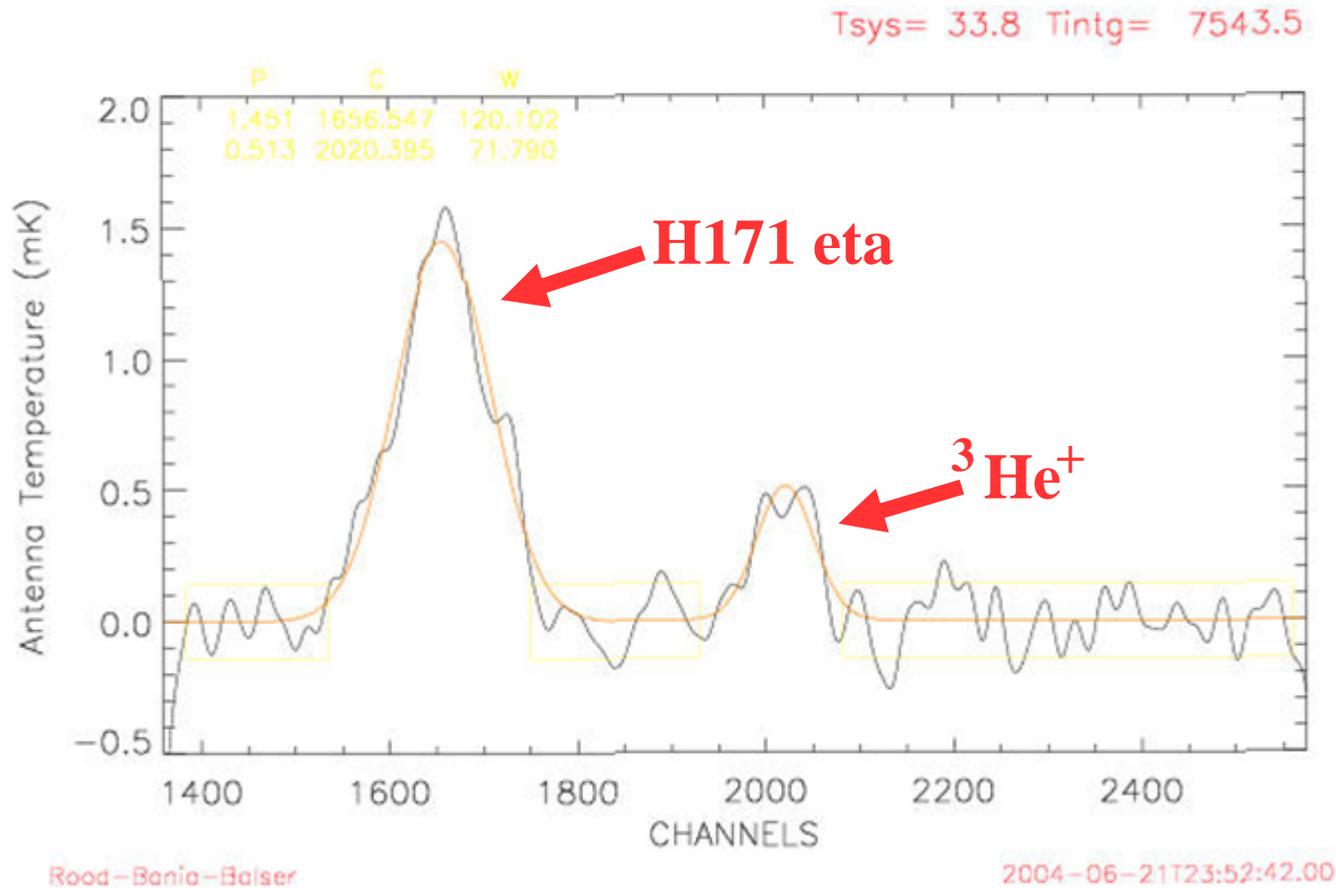
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14.5 hour integration

5 km/sec resolution

# GBT PNe Composite Spectrum

NGC 3242 + NGC 6543 + NGC 6826 + NGC 7009

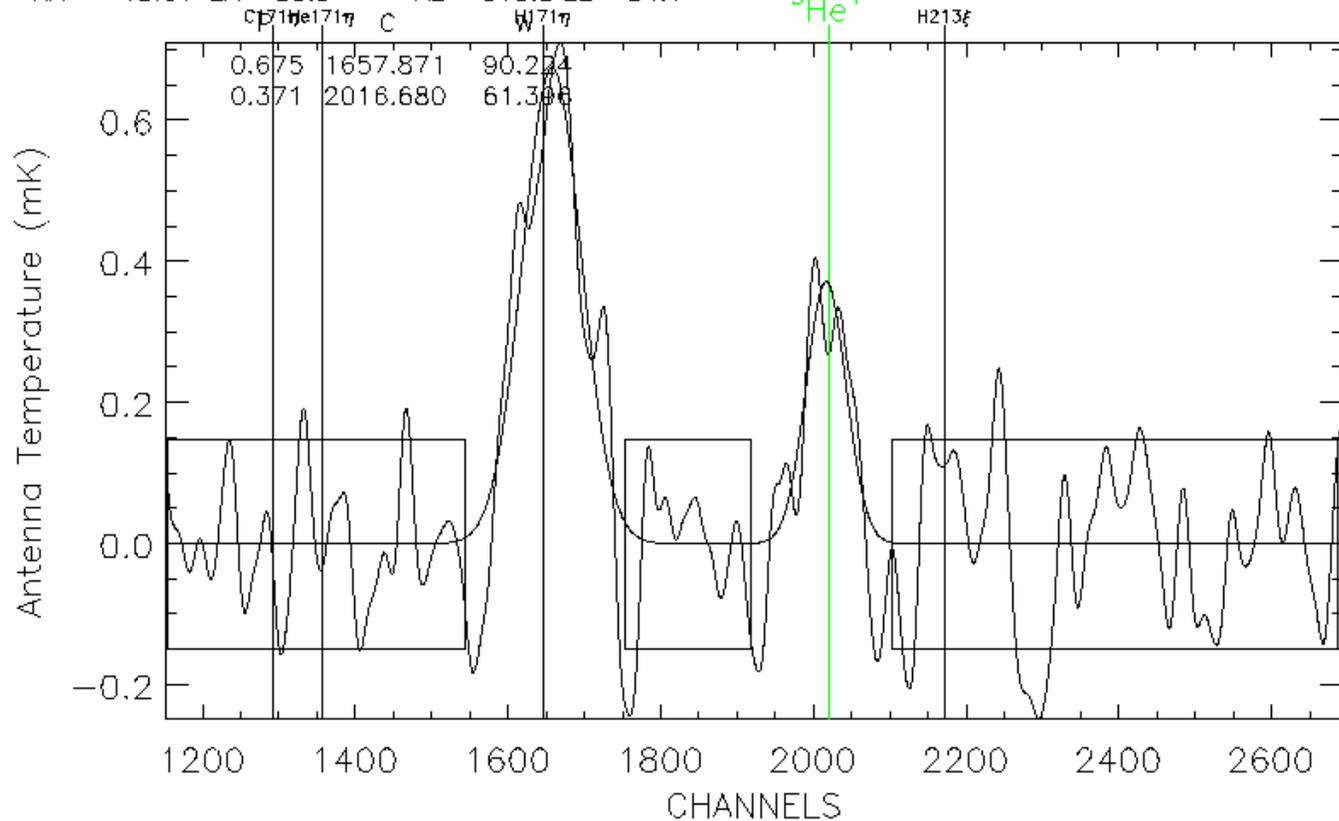


125.7 hour integration

17 three05  
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 HA= -18.61 ZA= 55.9 AZ= 310.8 EL= 34.1

Vsrc= -0.01 LL HE3a EPAVE\_MA05  
 Fsky= 8665.7590 Frest= 8665.3000 BW= 50.0000  
 Tcal= 2.3 Tsys= 32.7 Tintg= 10816.9

$^3\text{He}^+$



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2005-05-21T14:27:17.00

**NGC7009 + NGC6543 + NGC6826**

818 NGC7009

Vsrc= -46.60 L+R A91

RAV\_MA05

21 04 10.8 -11 21 57

Fsky= 8588.4715

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BW= 50.0000

LST= +17 21 32.6

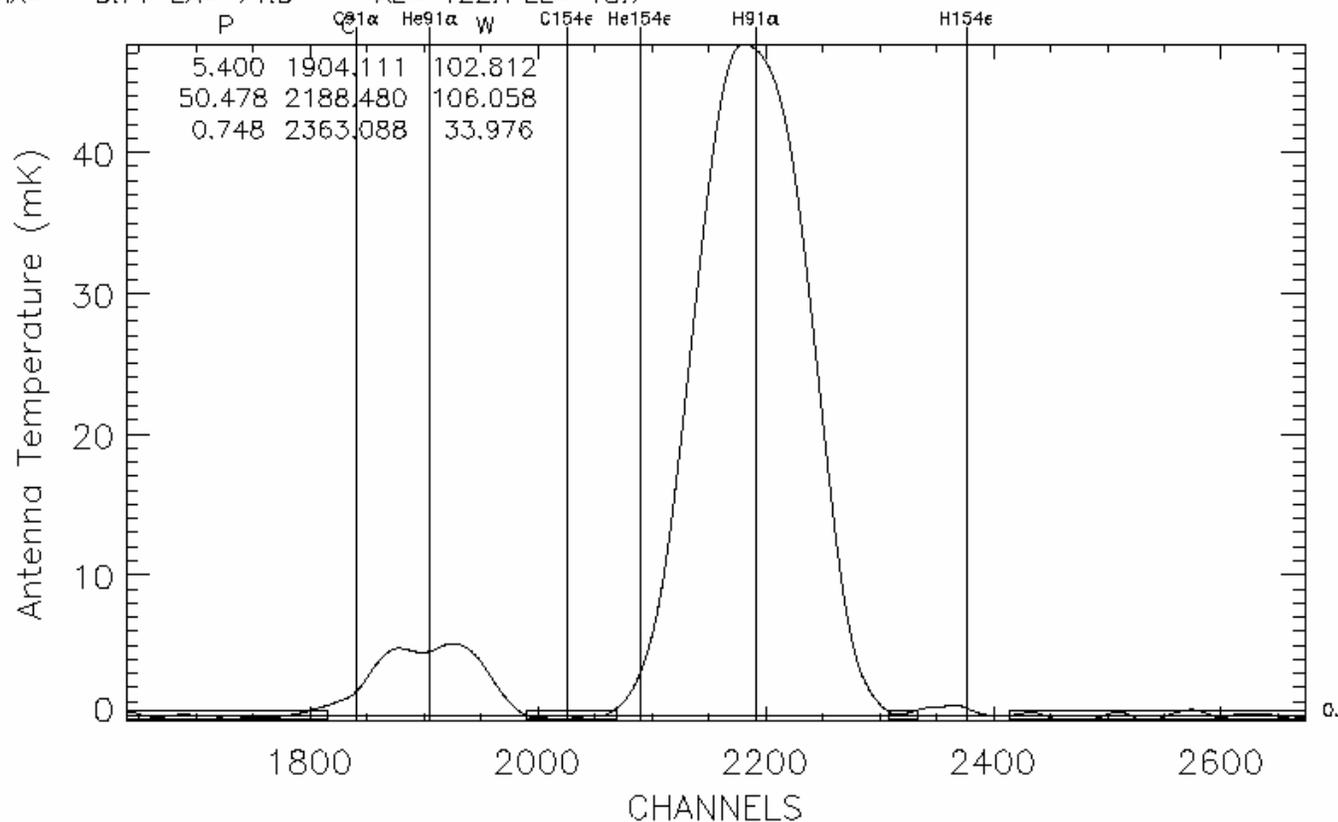
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Tsys= 32.6

Tintg= 3706.9

HA= -3.71 ZA= 71.3

AZ= 122.1 EL= 18.7



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820 NGC7009

Vsrc= -46.60 L+R A92 RAV\_MA05

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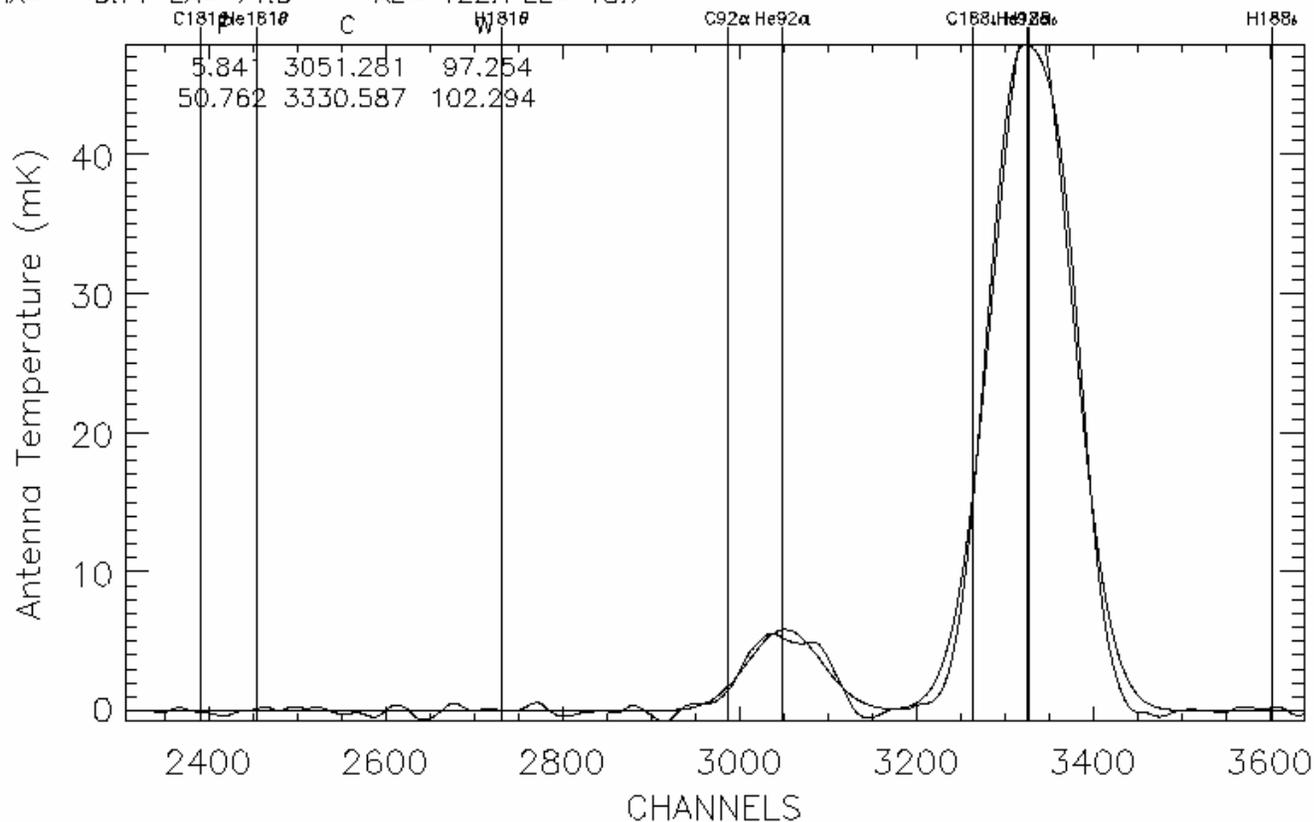
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Tintg= 3672.5

HA= -3.71 ZA= 71.3

AZ= 122.1 EL= 18.7



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817 NGC7009

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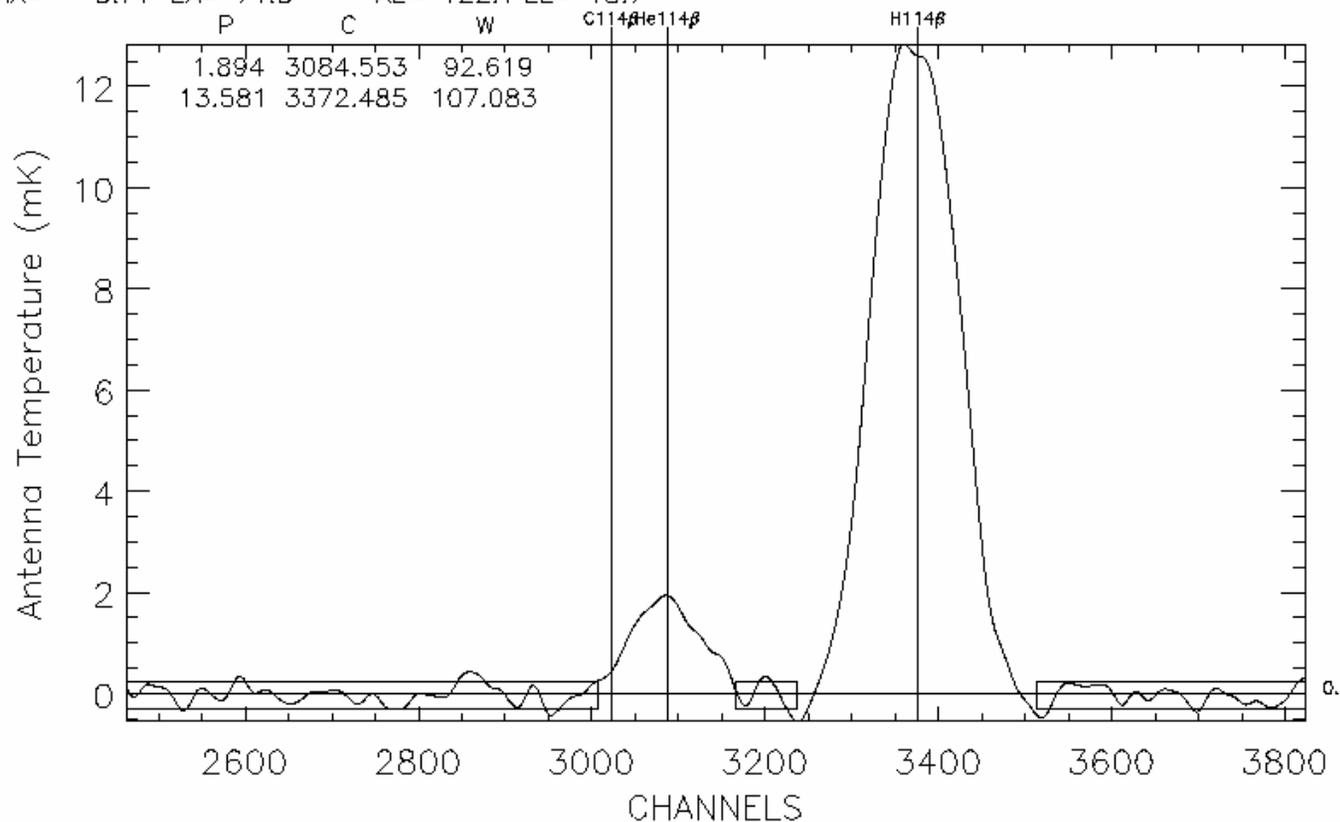
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AZ= 122.1 EL= 18.7



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817 NGC7009

Vsrc= -46.60 L+R

HE3a

RAV\_MA05

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Frest= 8665.3000 BW= 50.0000

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Tcal= 3.3

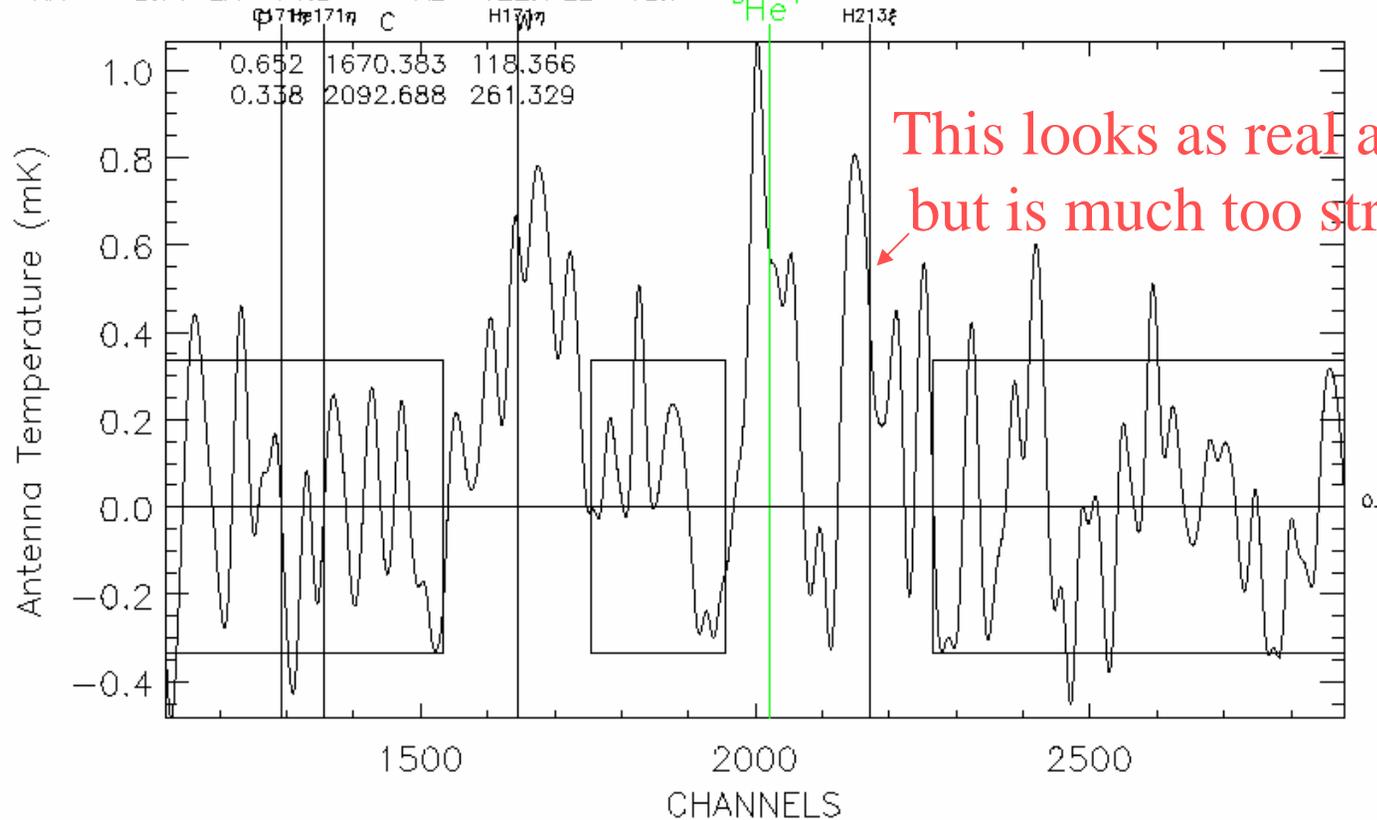
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AZ= 122.1 EL= 18.7

$^3\text{He}^+$

H213z



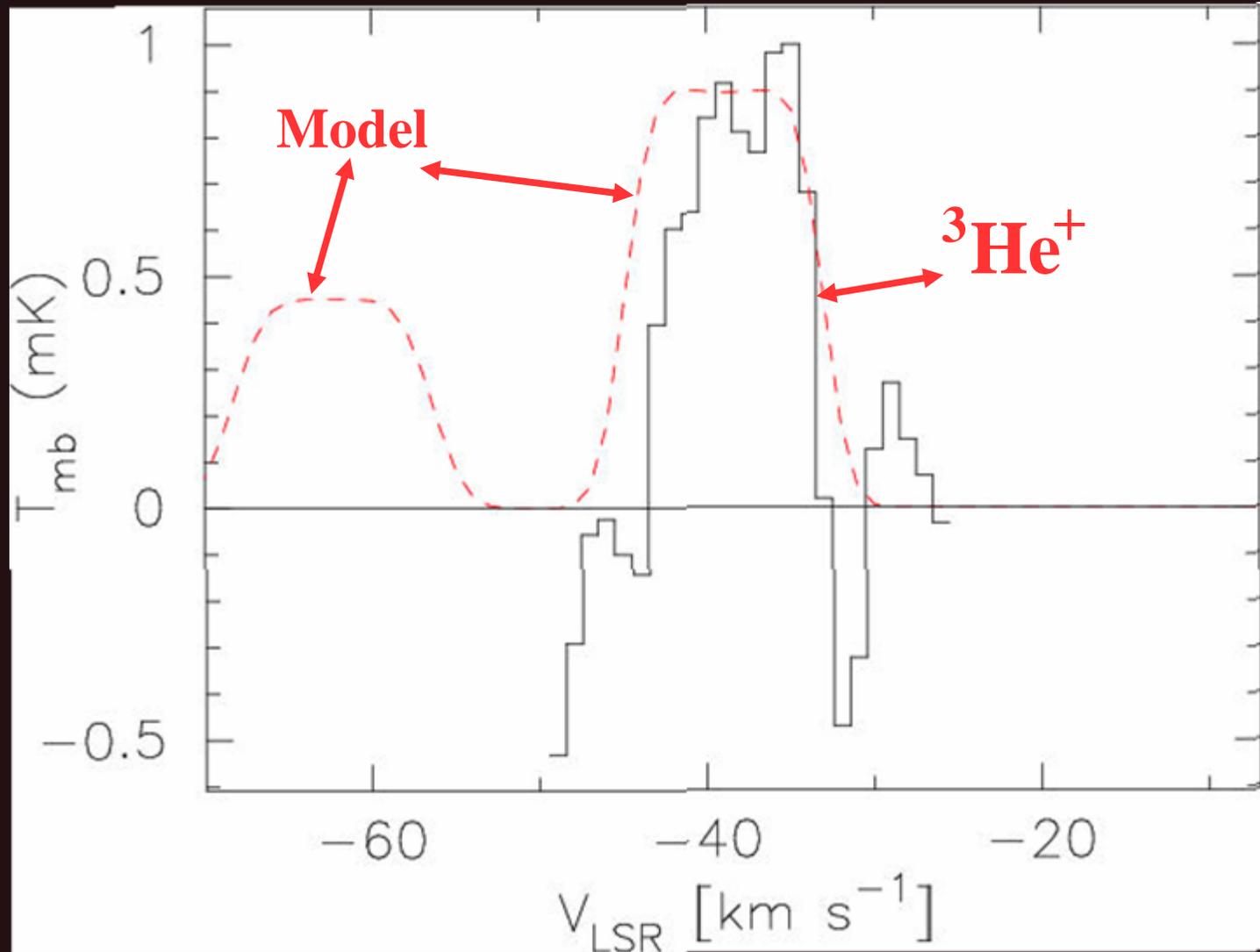
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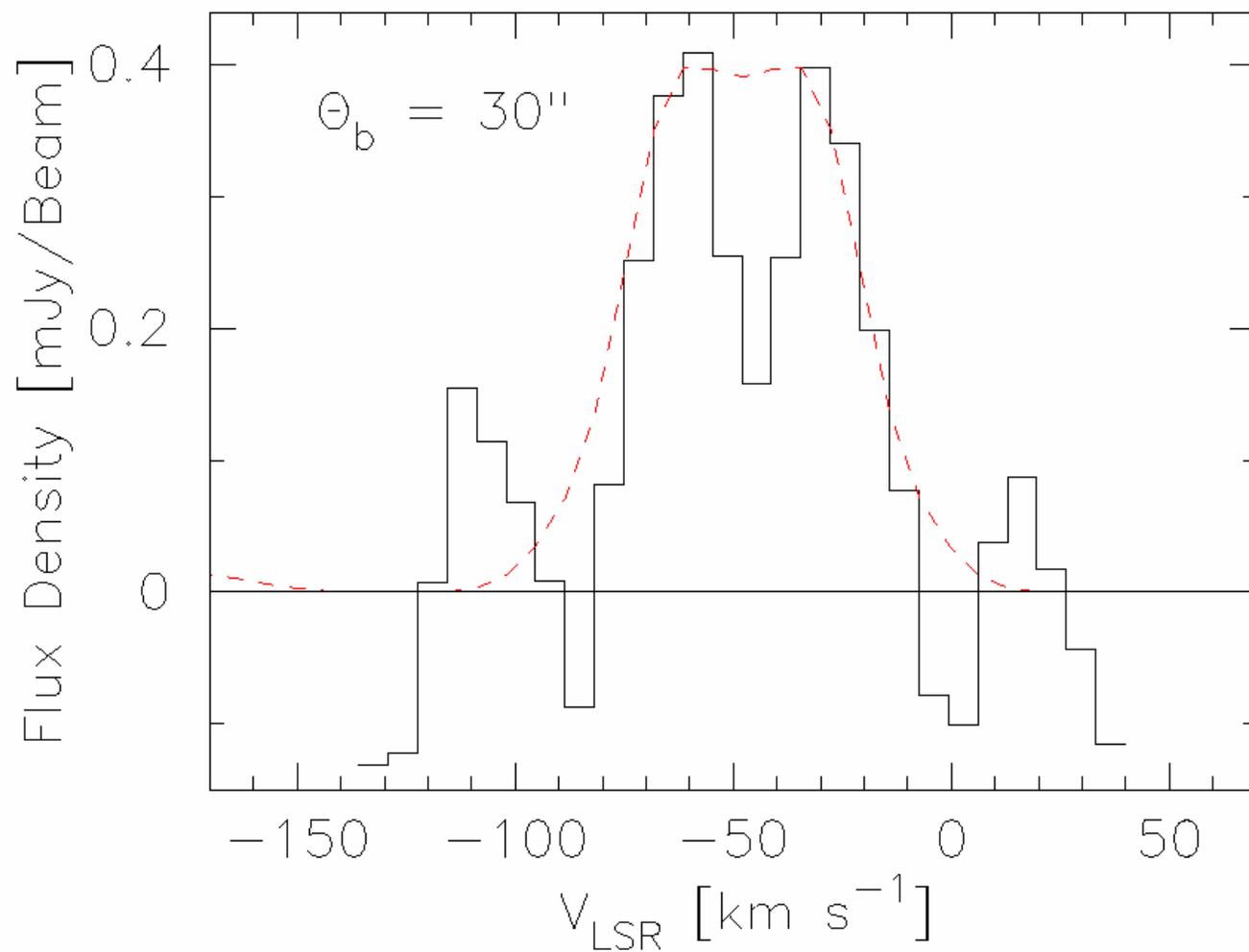
PNe He3 at the VLA: Balser, Goss, Bania, Rood (2005)

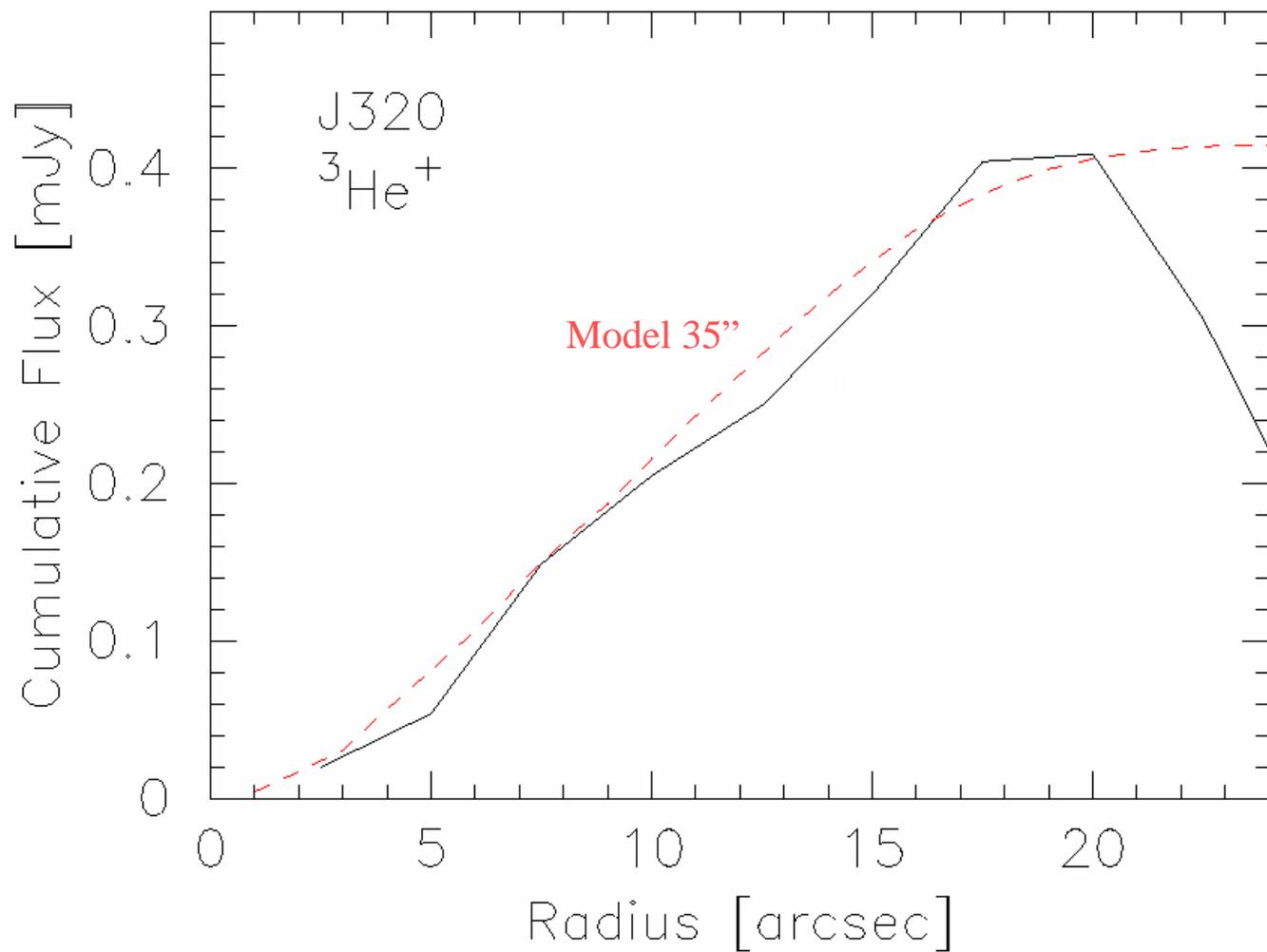
# VLA Planetary Nebula J320



${}^3\text{He} / \text{H}$  abundance =  $1.9 \times 10^{-3}$  by number

J320  $^3\text{He}^+$





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# Helium-3 Conclusions

- ~ 25% of PNe meet our selection criteria. To avoid conflict with Monica we should detect  $^3\text{He}$  in only 1/5.
  - We detect  $^3\text{He}$  in the PN J320 with the VLA. The EVLA will be 10 x more sensitive than the VLA.
  - We probably have found  $^3\text{He}$  in NGC 7009 with the GBT and may have another detection in NGC 6543.
  - Proposal pressure on the GBT may not allow us to solidify these results in the near future.
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# NAIC Arecibo Observatory 305 m



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# Helium-3 Conclusions

- **The scheduling mode and proposal pressure on the GBT may not allow us to solidify these results in the near future.**
  - **We have found helium-3 in another PN, J320, using the VLA**
  - **We probably have found helium-3 in NGC7009 using the GBT and may have a second detection in NGC6543**
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# 3-Helium Experiment Status

- GBT now fully operational for 3-He
- Two GBT 3-He epochs complete
- Spectral baselines of excellent quality
- Composite PNe spectrum consistent with MPIfR survey results
- VLA 3-He 4-sigma detection' for PN J320 (see Balser et al. poster)
- First epoch NAIC Arecibo Observatory observations complete

# *Mixing and the $^3\text{He}$ problem*

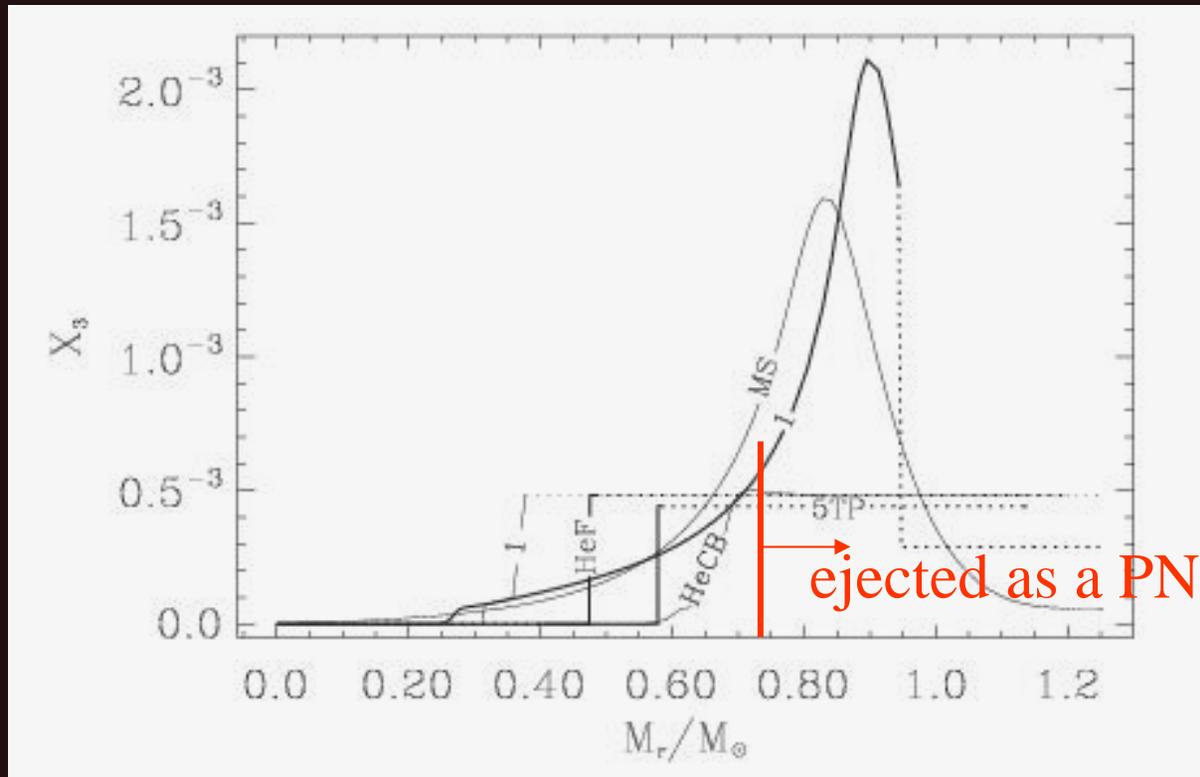
- *Daniele Galli (INAF-Arcetri)*
  - *Francesco Palla (INAF-Arcetri)*
  - *Monica Tosi (INAF-Bologna)*
  - *Federico Ferrini (Univ. Pisa)*
  - *Letizia Stanghellini (HST)*
  - *Oscar Straniero (INAF-Teramo)*
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# A long standing problem

*Rood, Steigman & Tinsley (1976)*

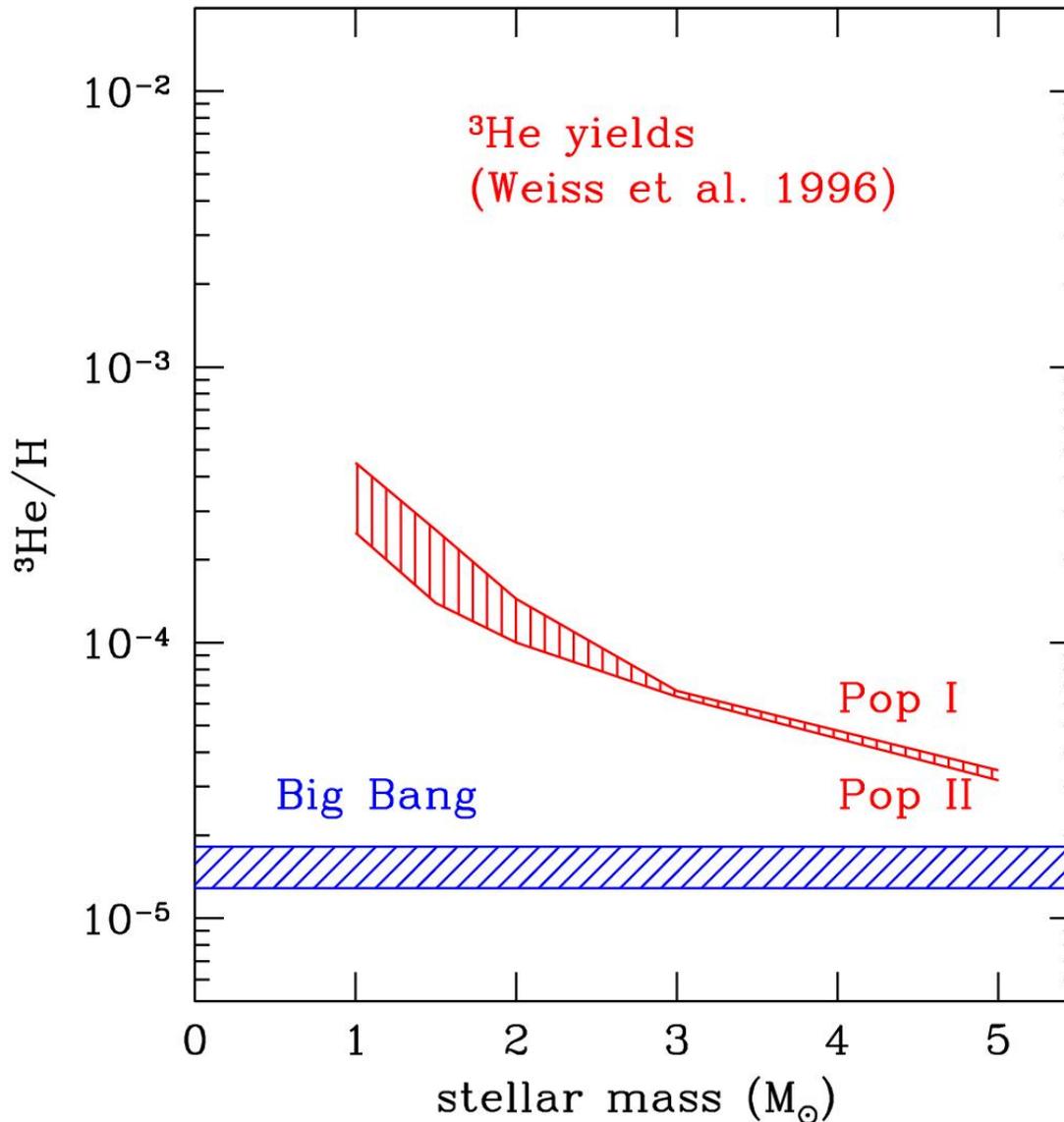
- Low-mass stars produce substantial amounts of  $^3\text{He}$ , enriching the ISM:  $X_{3\odot} \nearrow 10^{-3}$
- But the measured protosolar value is much lower:  $X_{3\odot} \nearrow 10^{-5} \Leftrightarrow \textit{problem!}$

# $^3\text{He}$ profile in a $1.25 M_{\odot}$ PopII star



*Weiss, Wagenhuber & Denissenkov (1996)*

# The “standard” $^3\text{He}$ yields



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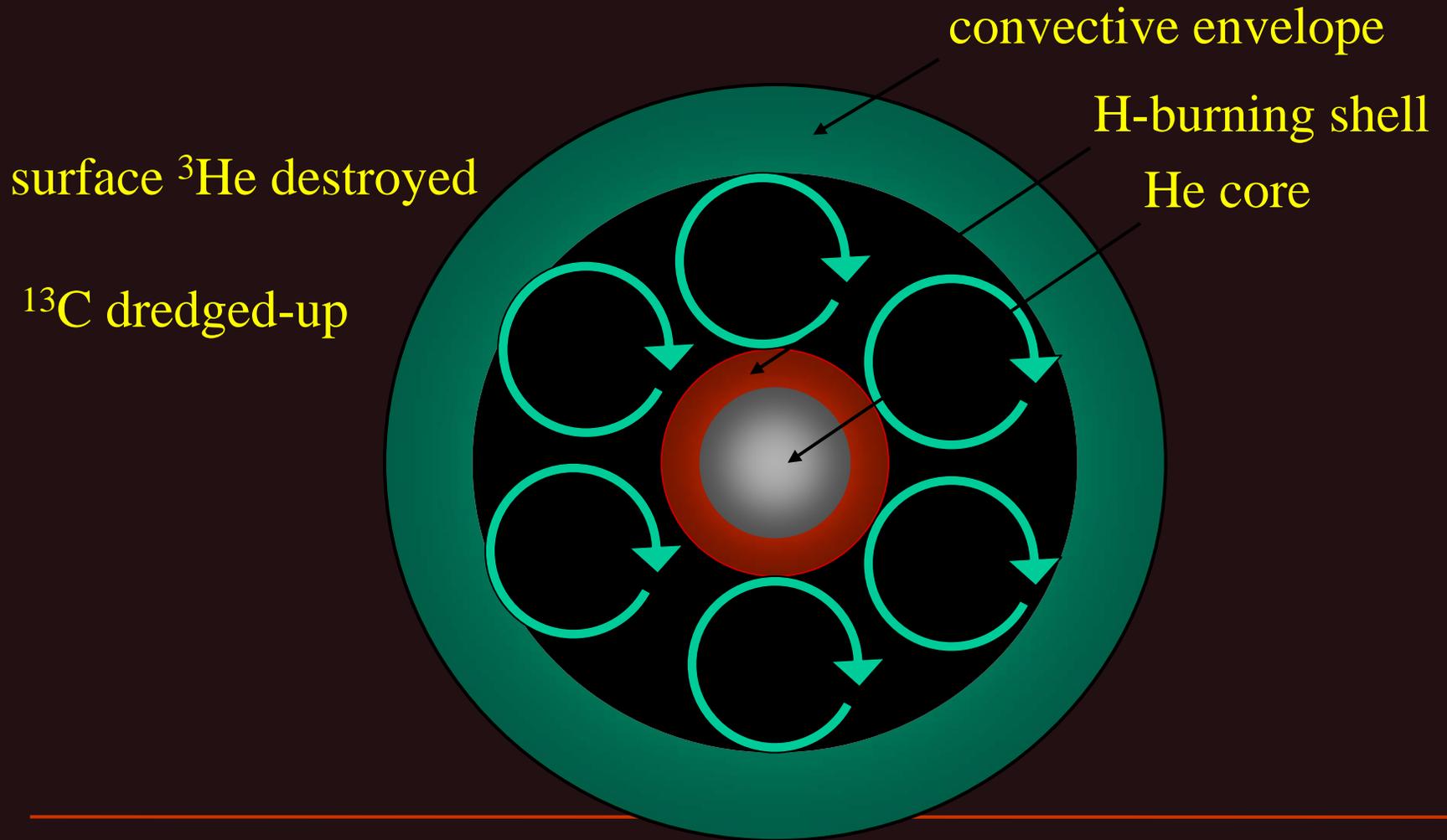
# Theorists at work...

- Wrong extrapolation of the  $^3\text{He}$ - $^3\text{He}$  nuclear cross section at low energies?
  - Pollution of winds from massive stars in HII regions?
  - Continuous infall of primordial gas?
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# Mixing takes over

- *Charbonnel 1995* (see also *Hogan 1995*) : an **extra-mixing mechanism** acting during the RGB and/or AGB phases of stars with mass  $M \rightarrow 2 M_{\odot}$  can reduce the surface  $^3\text{He}$  abundance
- Extra-mixing **decreases** the surface  $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$  : the  $^3\text{He}$  problem is linked to other isotopic anomalies in RGB and AGB stars

# Mixing on the RGB



819 NGC7009

Vsrc= -46.60 L+R B115

RAV\_MA05

21 04 10.8 -11 21 57

Fsky= 8441.9115

Frest= 8665.3000 BW= 50.0000

LST= +17 21 32.6

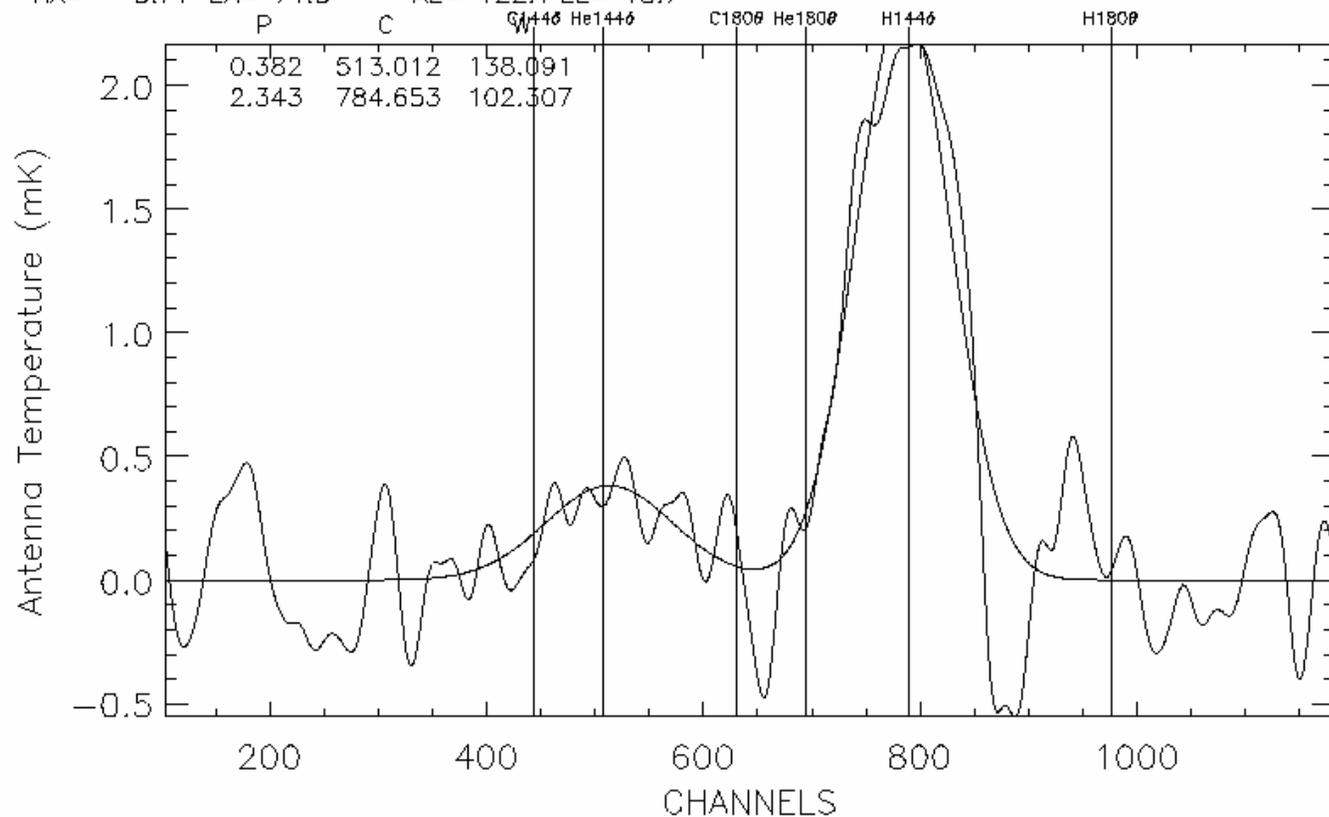
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Tintg= 3701.2

HA= -3.71 ZA= 71.3

AZ= 122.1 EL= 18.7



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Conclude reliability level for NGC7009 ~ 0.5 mK



801 sum3-05

17 58 33.4 +66 37 59

LST= +14 57 37.2

HA= -3.02 ZA= 37.5

Vsrc= -66.10 L+R

HE3a

PS Average

Fsky= 8667.1999

Frest= 8665.3000 BW= 50.0000

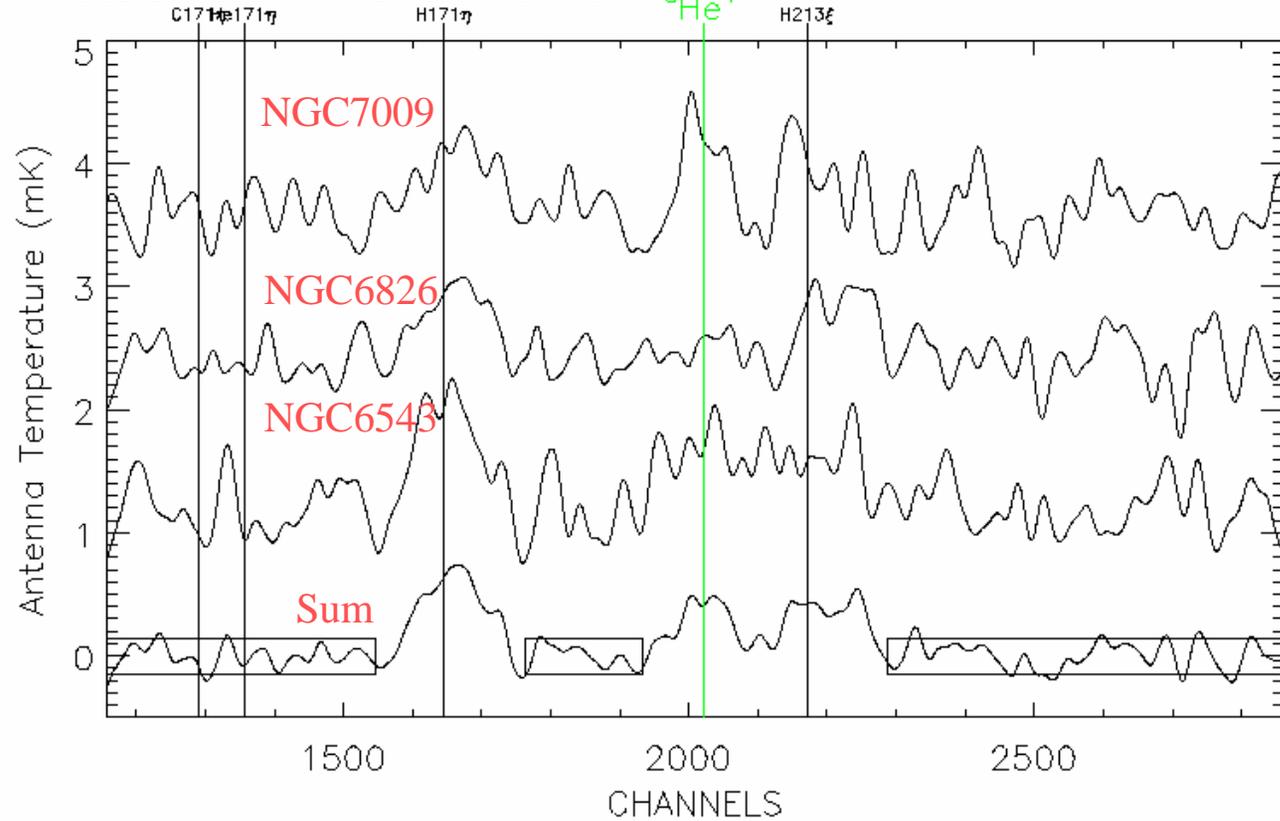
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Tsys= 32.9

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AZ= 387.1 EL= 52.5

$^3\text{He}^+$



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1035 S209

04 11 6.7 +51 09 44

LST= +22 38 30.5

HA= -5.54 ZA= 56.6

AZ= 48.0 EL= 33.4

Vsrc= -49.30 L+R

HE3a

EPAV2\_TEST

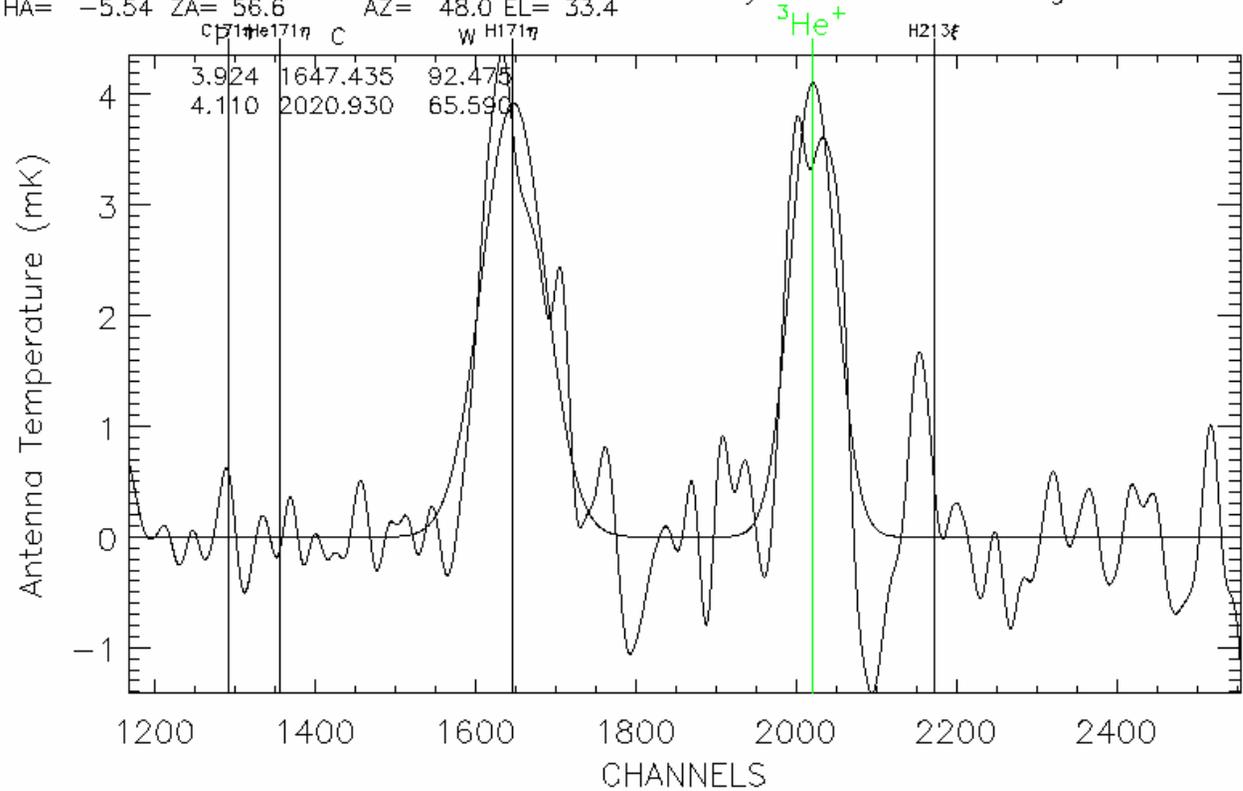
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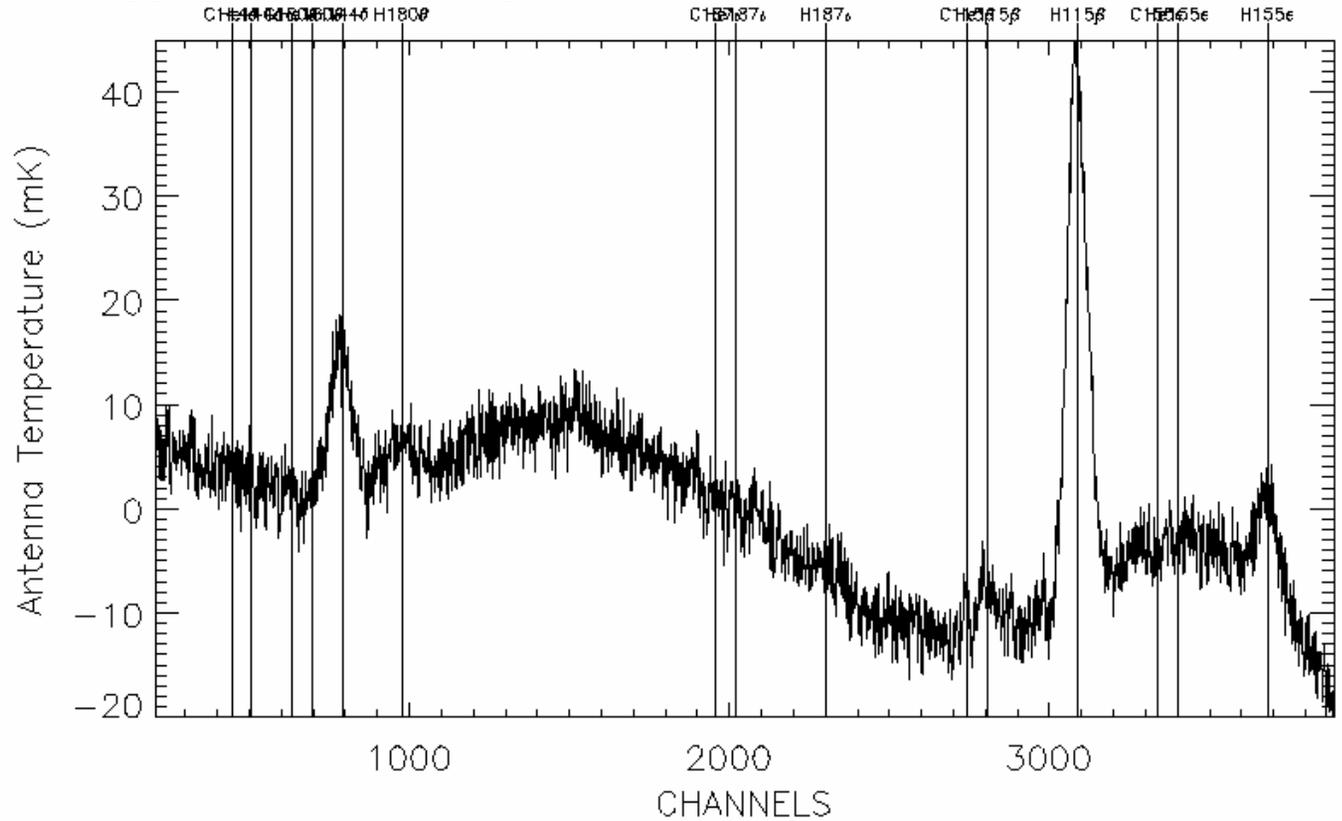
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HA= -5.54 ZA= 56.6

AZ= 48.0 EL= 33.4



Rood-Bania-Balser

2003-12-07T22:52:42.00

# A bonus: He<sup>++</sup> or O<sup>++</sup> RRL (a first?)

822 NGC7009

21 04 10.8 -11 21 57

LST= +17 21 32.6

HA= -3.71 ZA= 71.3

Vsrc= -46.60 L+R

HE++

RAV\_MA05

Fsky= 8371.9115

Frest= 8665.3000

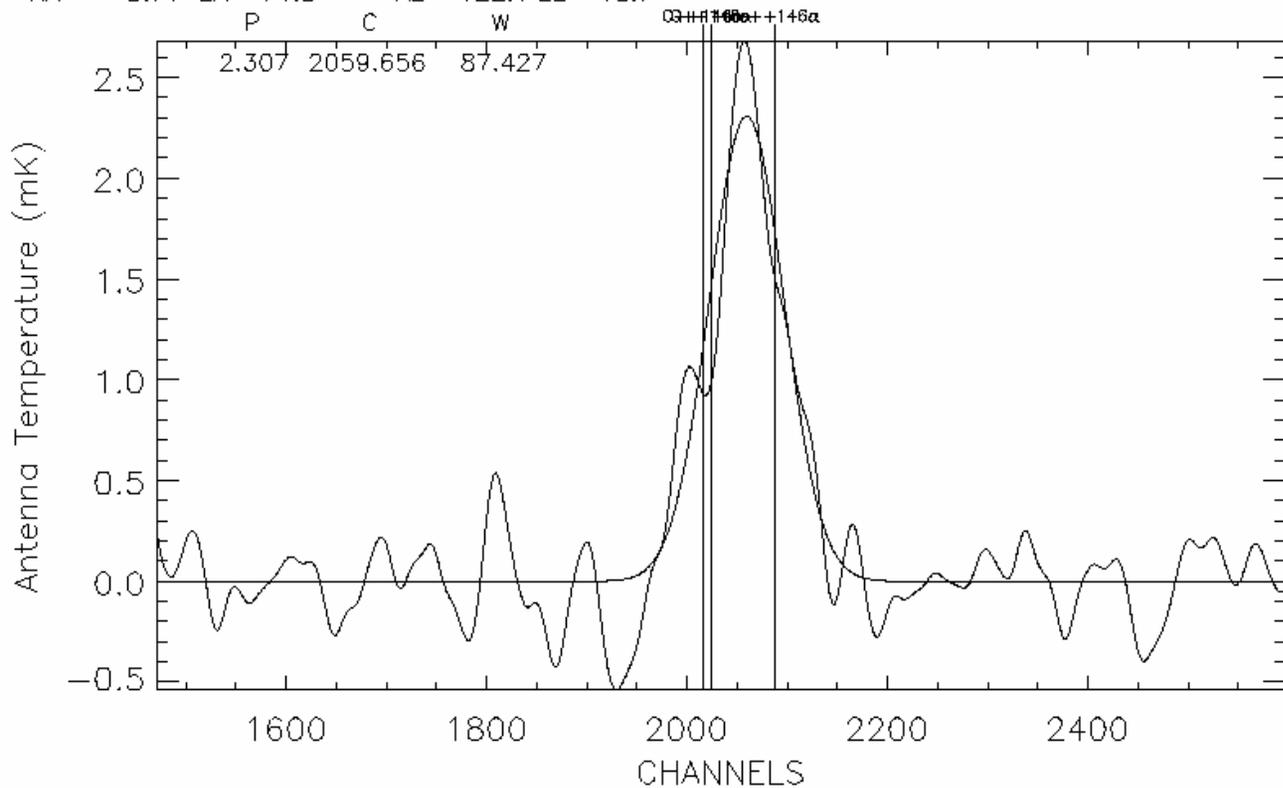
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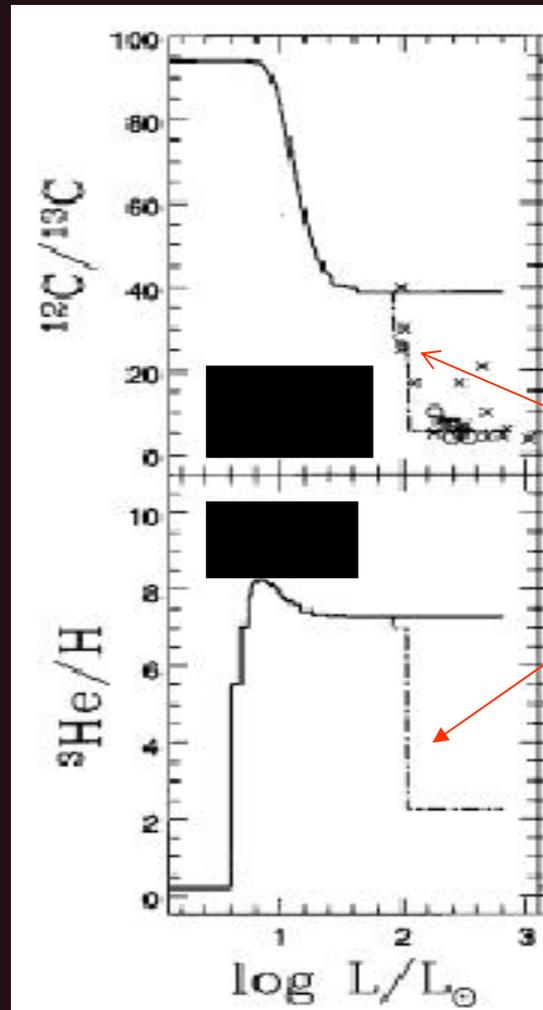
AZ= 122.1 EL= 18.7



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# Calibrating the mixing on the RGB



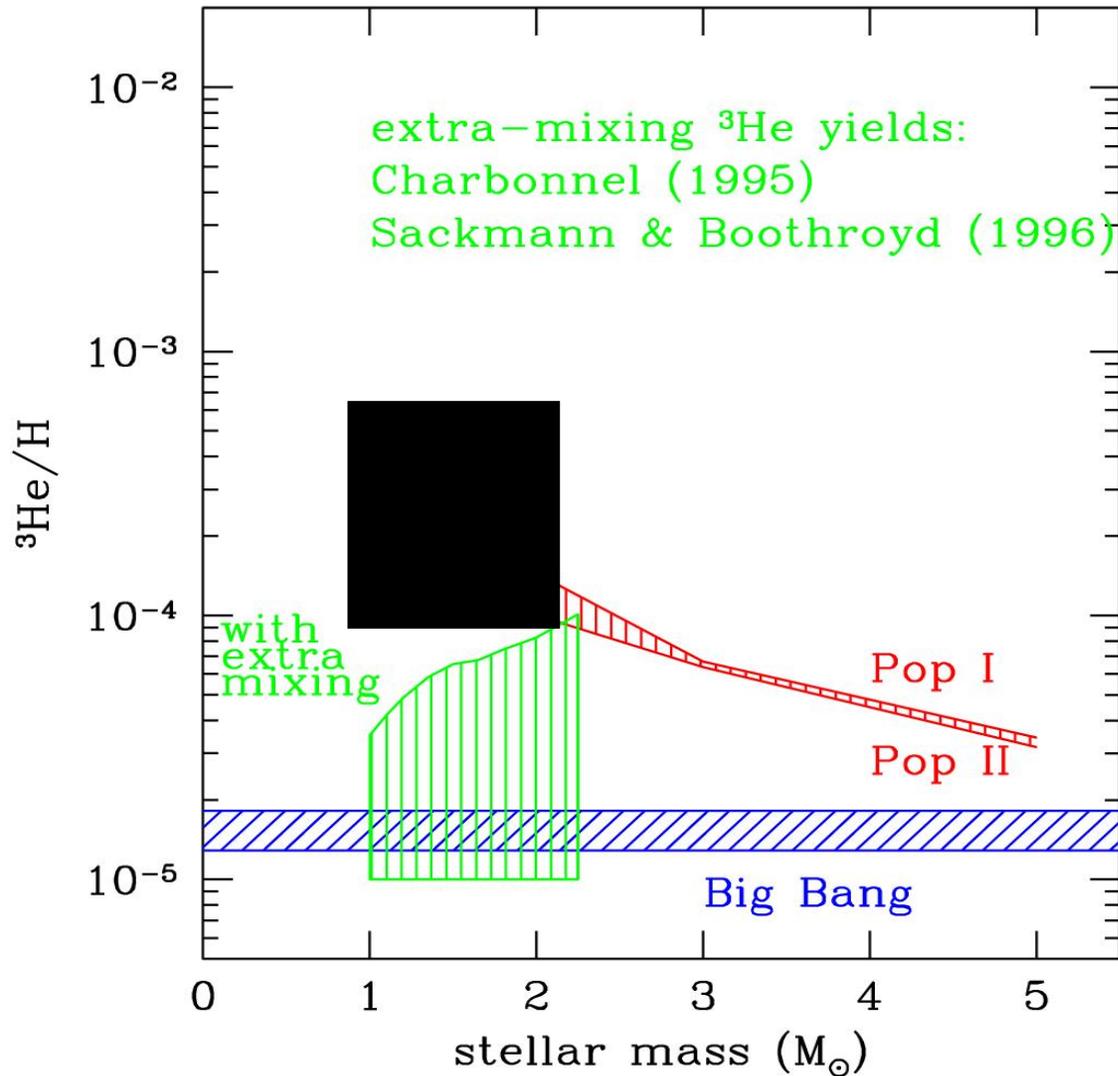
$0.8 M_{\odot}$

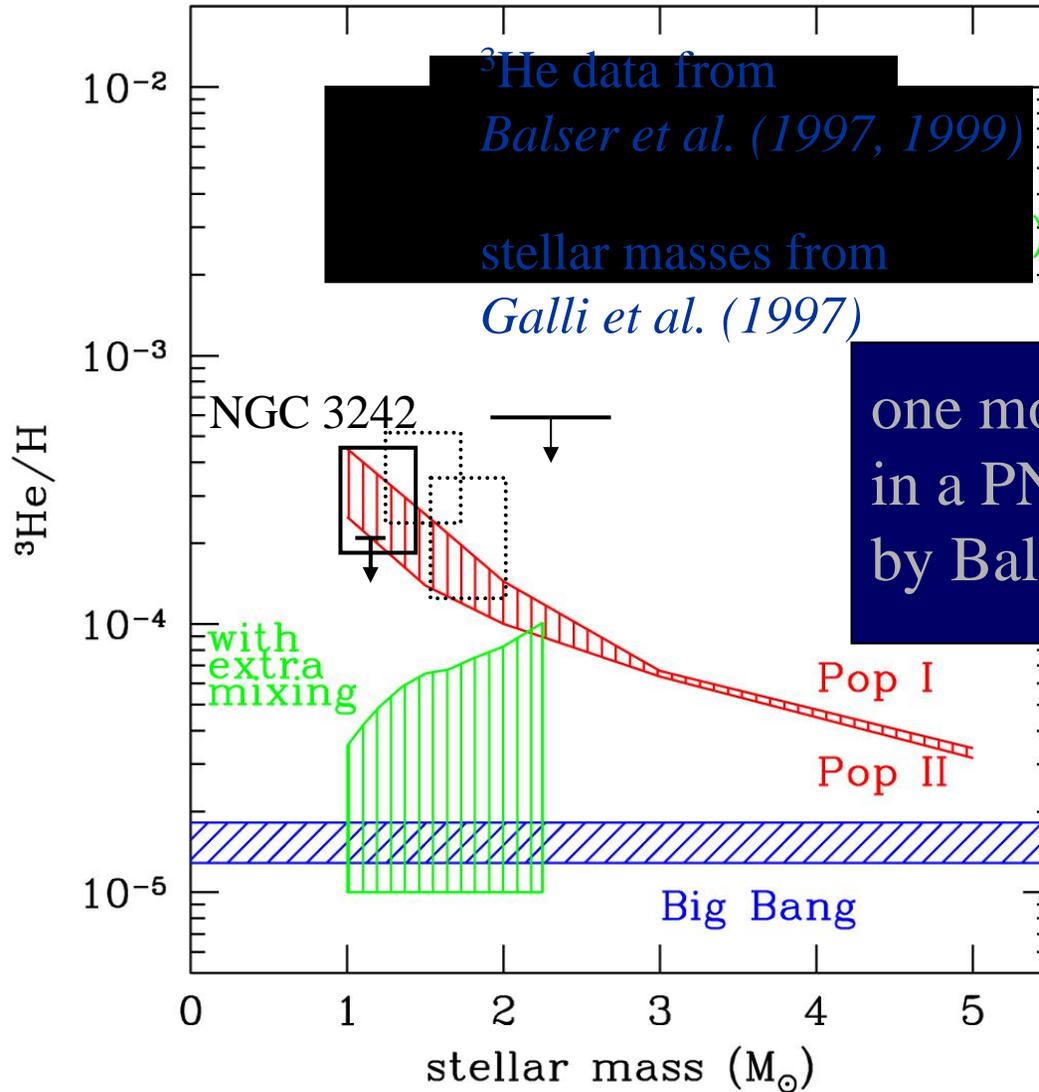
$Z=10^{-4}$

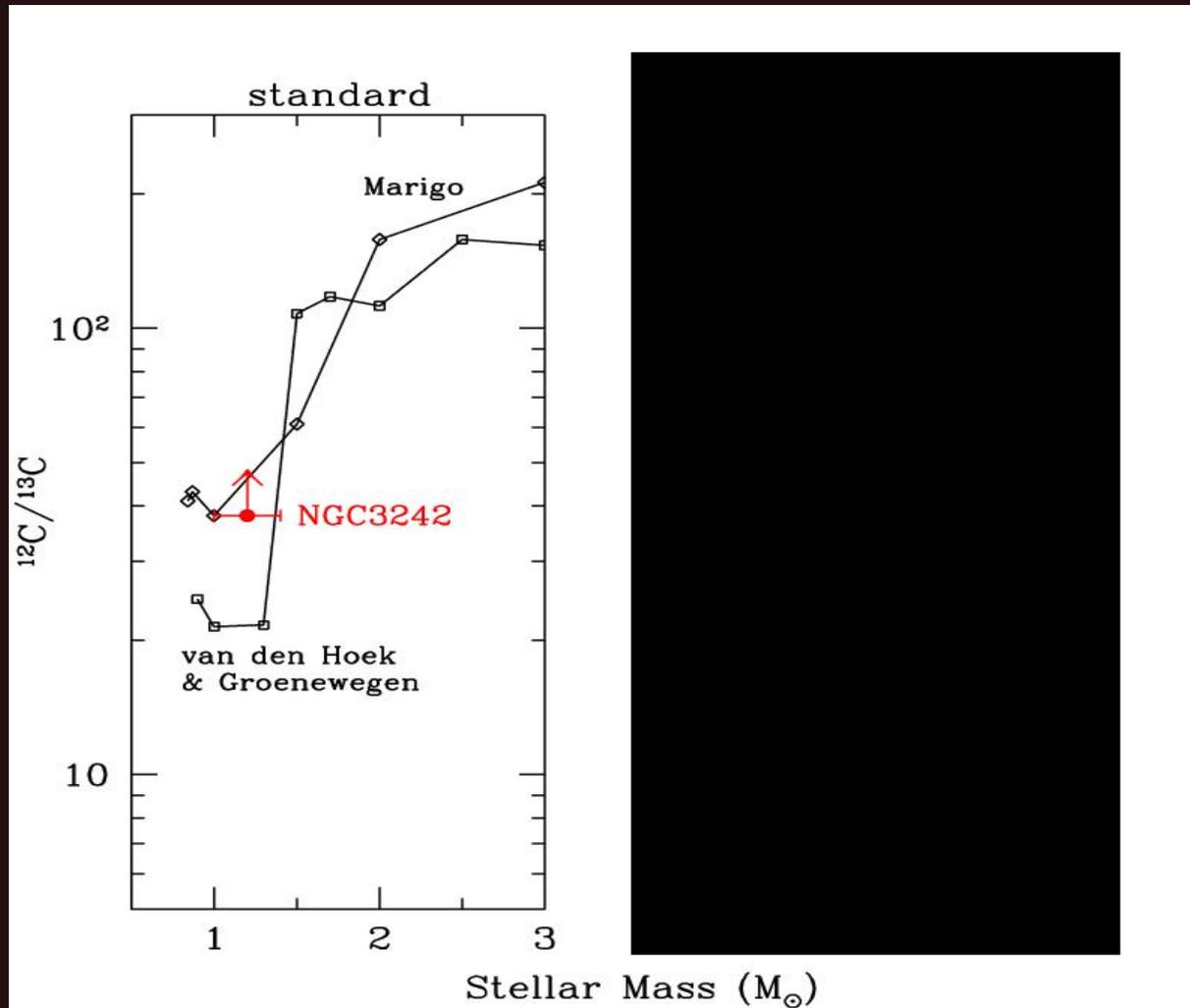
extra-mixing

*Charbonnel (1995)*

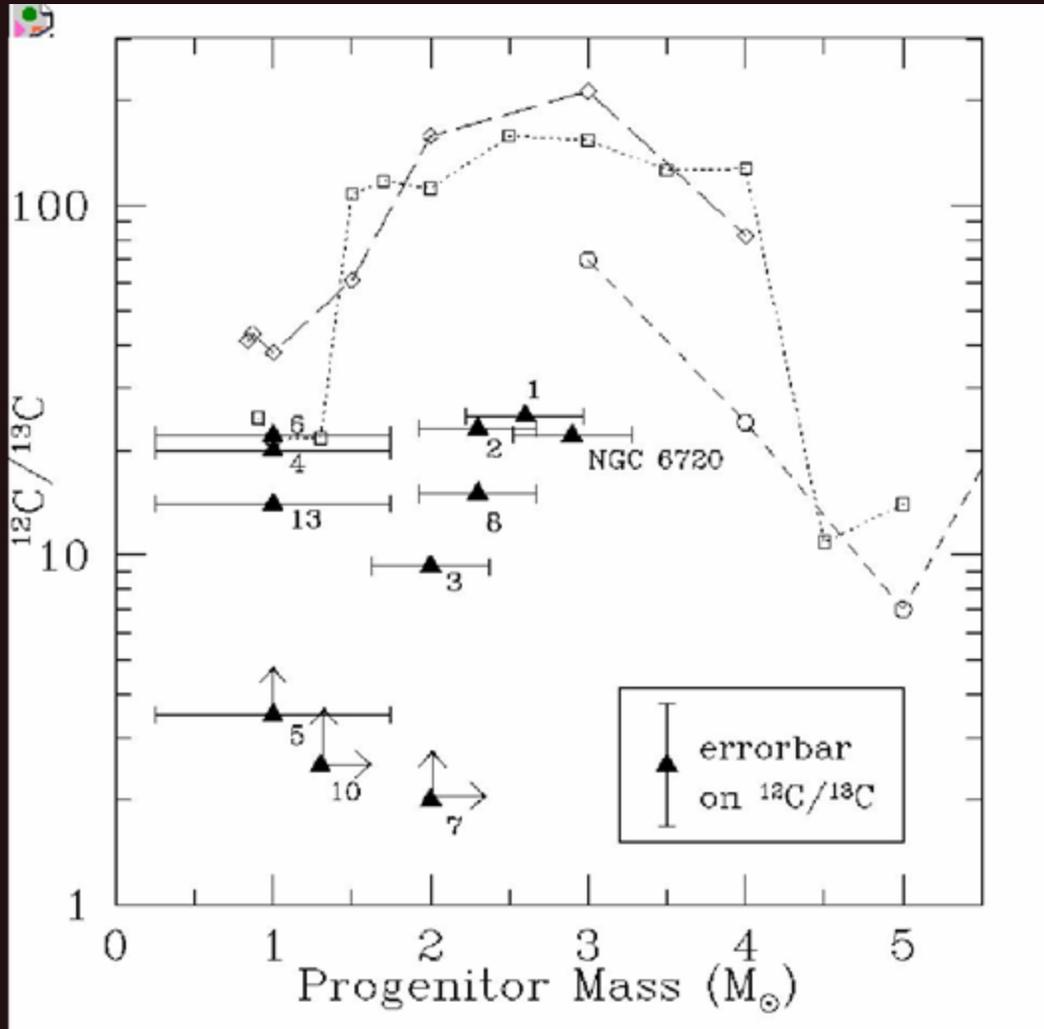
# The “new” $^3\text{He}$ yields





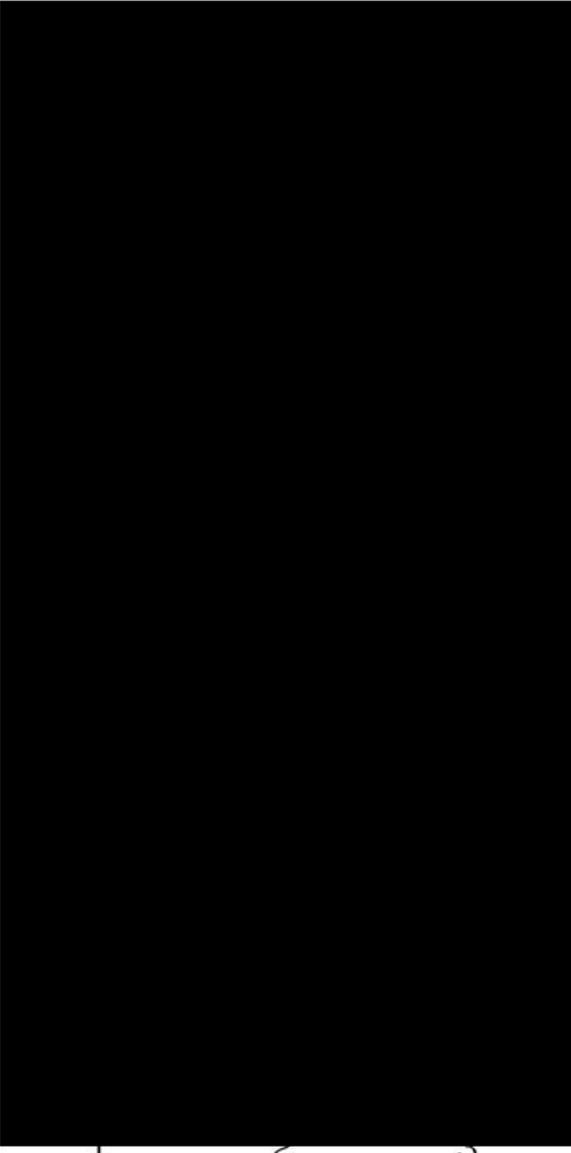
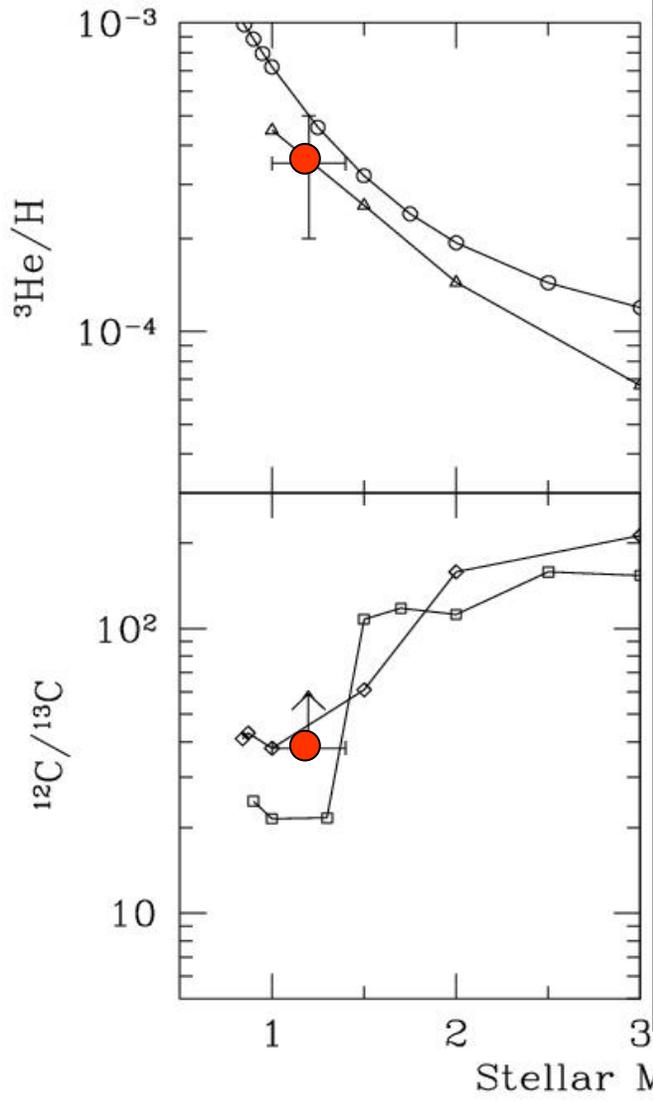


*Palla, Galli, Marconi, Stanghellini & Tosi (2002)*

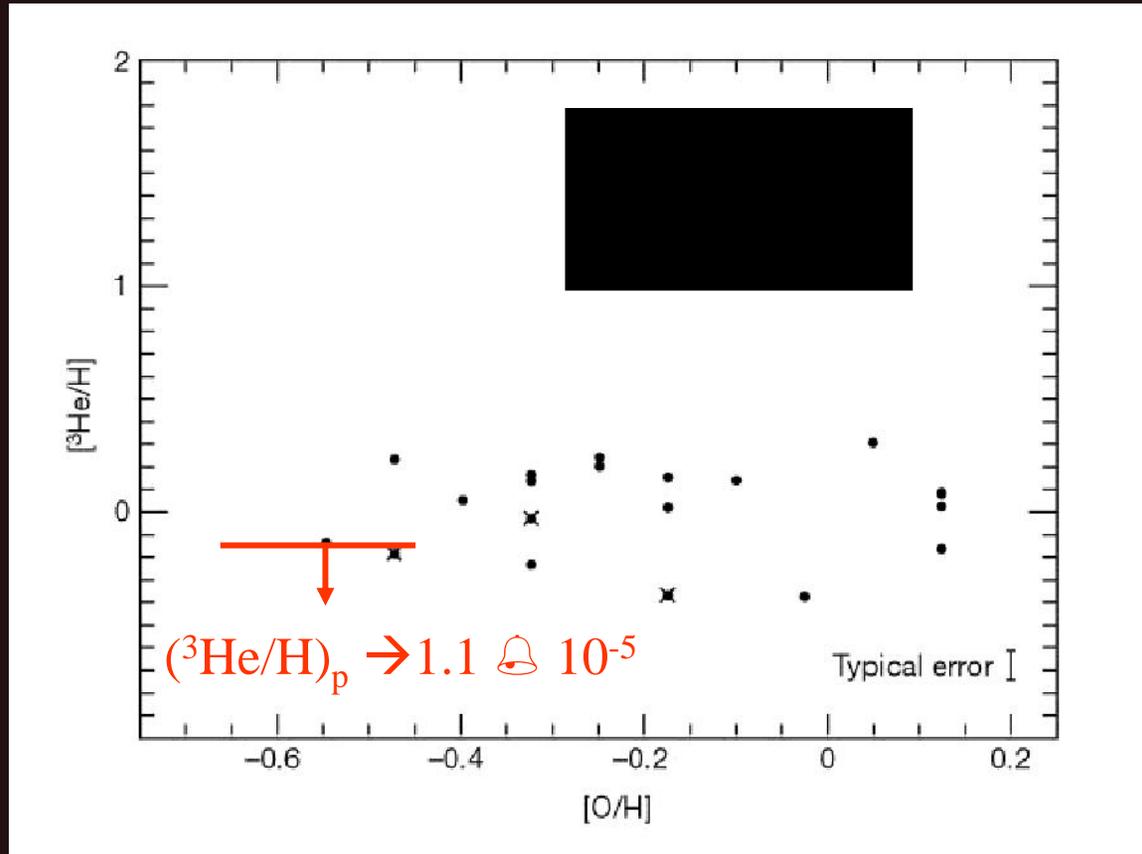


*Palla et al. (2000)*

standard yields



# $^3\text{He}$ abundance in HII regions



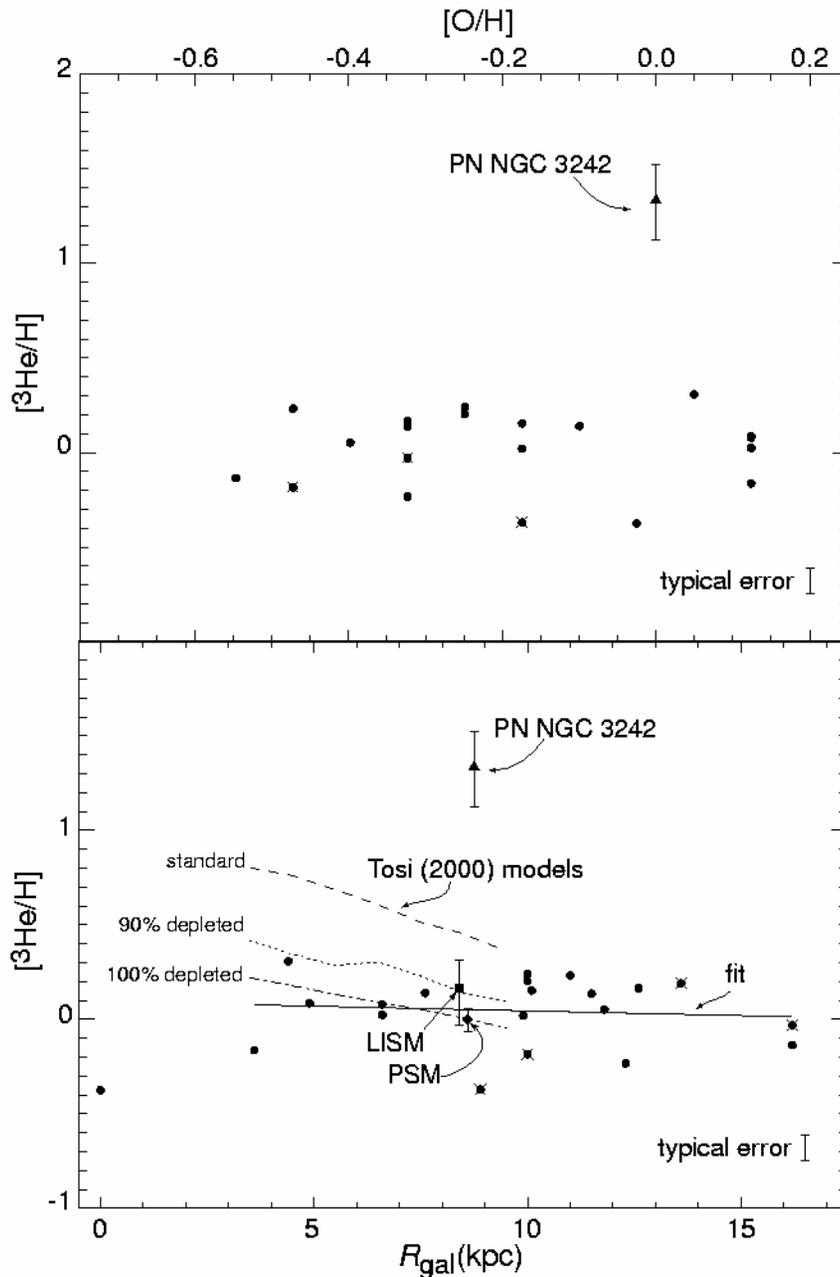
*Bania, Rood & Balser (2002)*

# Bania, Rood, & Balser 2002

$$\eta_{10} = 5.4^{+2.2}_{-1.2}$$
$$\Omega_B = 0.04$$

# Spergel et al. 2003, WMAP

$$\eta_{10} = 6.5^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$$
$$\Omega_B = 0.047 \pm 0.006$$



# GBT Conclusions

- There is still baseline structure (BS) probably resulting from the broadband feed, the polarizer, and or mismatches in the IF system.
  - BS varies with frequency sometimes almost invisible other times very problematic
  - BS amplitude is proportional to source continuum and moves with sky frequency
- Standing waves are not a problem
- At the mK level there are pseudo-lines
- ~~In some AC bands there are short duration spikes in the ACF at seemingly random times, lags, and amplitudes~~