Enhanced nitrogen fractionation at core scales: The high-mass star-forming region IRAS 05358+3543



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# Outline of the talk

N-fractionation in the ISM  $\rightarrow$  MOTIVATION

A large sample of sources:

The Galactocentric trend and its relation with GCE models

N-fractionation at high-angular resolution: the first interferometric observations of the <sup>15</sup>N-isotopologues of N<sub>2</sub>H<sup>+</sup>

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# N-fractionation Introduction

What are <u><sup>14</sup>N/<sup>15</sup>N</u> ratios measured in <u>different</u> <u>phases of star formation</u>, until now?

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## STARLESS CORE PRE/PROTOSTELLAR OBJECTS

| <sup>14</sup> N/ <sup>15</sup> N | molecule                              | Reference                 |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 330±150                          | N <sub>2</sub> H <sup>+</sup>         | Daniel et al. (2016)      |
| 350 - 850                        | NH <sub>3</sub>                       | Gerin et al. (2009)       |
| 334±50                           | NH <sub>3</sub>                       | Lis et al. (2010)         |
| 270±20                           | CN, HCN, HNC, $HC_3N$<br>and $N_2H^+$ | Kahane et al. (2018)      |
| 140-360                          | HCN and HNC                           | Hily-Blant et al. (2013a) |
| 160-290                          | HCN and HNC                           | Wamplfler et al. (2014)   |
| 1000±200                         | N <sub>2</sub> H <sup>+</sup>         | Bizzocchi et al. (2013)   |
| 630-770                          | N <sub>2</sub> H <sup>+</sup>         | Redaelli et al. (2018)    |

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ARE PROTOPLANETARY DISKS THE MISSING LINK?...





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**High-mass star-forming regions** 

(Adande & Ziurys 2012, Fontani et al., 2015, Zeng et al., 2017, Colzi et al., 2018a, 2018b)

...likely the environment in which the Sun was born

(e.g. Adams10)



# **Supernovae explosions** are required to explain hints found in meteorites

<sup>26</sup>Mg is found in meteorites → dauther species of <sup>26</sup>Al (with a half life of 0.72 Myr) Only a time <1 Myr could have elapsed between the production of <sup>26</sup>Al and his incorporation into the early Solar system material

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IRAM 30m telescope (Sierra Nevada, Spain)

Credit: Laura Colzi (21/05/2019)

**87 High-mass star-forming regions**: 27 (Fontani et al. 2011, 2015) + 60 (Mininni et al. in prep.)

- MEASURE **N-FRACTIONATION** IN NITRILE BEARING SPECIES **HNC** AND **HCN**;
- COMPARE WITH VALUES IN PRISTINE SOLAR SYSTEM MATERIALS;
- SEARCH A GALACTOCENTRIC TREND  $\rightarrow D_{GC}$  from 2 kpc up to 12 kpc

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 $^{12}C/^{13}C = (6.01 \pm 1.19) Dgc(kpc) + (12.28 \pm 9.33)$ 

Related papers: Colzi, L. et al. (2018 a,b)

1ilam et al. (2005)

# Distribution of <sup>14</sup>N/<sup>15</sup>N ratios

- In the merged total sample of 87 sources:
- <sup>14</sup>N/<sup>15</sup>N: 185-780 for HNC, 115-1305 for HCN;
- Distribution of  $\frac{14}{N}$   $\frac{15}{N}$  peak in the bin <u>310-350</u>.





<sup>14</sup>N/<sup>15</sup>N as good indicator of nucleosynthesis

# <sup>14</sup>N: primary product

- <u>Primary</u> production from fastrotating low-metallicity <u>massive stars</u>
- <u>Primary</u> production in the base of the convective envelope of <u>AGB</u> (intermediate-mass)
- <u>Secondary</u> production through CN cycles in <u>MS stars</u> and in the Hburning shells of <u>red giants</u>

## <sup>15</sup>N: secondary product

 <u>Secondary</u> production from hot CNO cycle that occurs in <u>novae outbursts</u>

## Nova Cygni 1992



# What is the Galactocentric trend?



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NOW THE GCE MODEL EXACTLY REPRODUCE THE TREND WE FOUND

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#### **Auriga molecular cloud complex**

The source with the most intense <sup>15</sup>NNH<sup>+</sup>/N<sup>15</sup>NH<sup>+</sup>(1-0) Already known structure: cores+envelope





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<u>Geometrical center displaced of ~2-3"</u> with respect to the continuum sources

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#### WHY THE DISPLACEMENT?



- <u>N<sub>2</sub>H<sup>+</sup> is probably destroyed by CO</u>, once it desorbs from ice mantles (e.g. Busquet+2011);
- mm1 and mm3: the heating of the protostar may have caused the desorption of CO;
- mm4: chemically less evolved and starless.

# <sup>14</sup>N/<sup>15</sup>N RATIOS

| Source | T <sub>ex</sub><br>(K) | $\frac{N_2H^+}{15NNH^+}$                             | Source | T <sub>ex</sub><br>(K) | $\frac{N_2H^+}{N^{15}NH^+}$                          |
|--------|------------------------|--|--------|------------------------|--|
| P1a    | 20<br>30<br>40         | 200±34<br>186±31<br>178±29                           | P1b    | 20<br>30<br>40         | 200±25<br>217±29<br>212±27                           |
|        | 50                     | $1/3\pm 2/$  |        | 50                     | $222 \pm 30$   |
| P2a    | 20<br>30<br>40<br>50   | $180\pm18$<br>$171\pm17$<br>$156\pm16$<br>$154\pm15$ | P2b    | 20<br>30<br>40<br>50   | $129\pm17$<br>$120\pm15$<br>$108\pm13$<br>$113\pm14$ |
| P3a    | 20<br>30<br>40<br>50   | 120±18<br>114±17<br>111±16<br>109±15                 | P3b    | 20<br>30<br>40<br>50   | $100\pm15$<br>$100\pm16$<br>$109\pm17$<br>$100\pm15$ |
| P4a    | 20<br>30<br>40<br>50   | 117±14<br>112±14<br>120±15<br>108±12                 | P4b    | 20<br>30<br>40<br>50   | 187±33<br>182±31<br>185±33<br>185±32                 |



Towards mm3 and mm4 there is a clear evidence of <sup>15</sup>N-enrichment at core scales with respect to the region previously resolved with the IRAM 30m (Fontani+2015)

Towards A differences between <sup>15</sup>NNH<sup>+</sup> and N<sup>15</sup>NH<sup>+</sup> → to be investigated! (see e.g., Roueff et al. 2015, Wirström & Charnley 2018)

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|        | 30                     | ≥231                     | ≥188  | 33 40 00                                       |    |
|        | 40                     | ≥242                     | ≥200  | 8 /mm1)  | J  |
|        | 50                     | ≥250                     | ≥204  | 7750   |    |
| D2     | 20                     | 336±96                   | ≥154  |  |    |
|        | 30                     | $327 \pm 91$             | ≥148  |  |    |
|        | 40                     | $316 \pm 87$             | ≥143  |  | hm |
|        | 50                     | 292±77                   | ≥140  |  |    |
| D3     | 20                     | ≥243                     | ≥340  | 3594513011                                     | ~  |
|        | 30                     | ≥250                     | ≥321  | 33 43 30                                       |    |
|        | 40                     | ≥261                     | ≥353  |  |    |
|        | 50                     | ≥250                     | ≥333  | 5 <sup>n</sup> 39 <sup>m</sup> 14 <sup>s</sup> |    |
|        |                        |                          |   | RA   |    |



AND THE DIFFUSE **REGIONS?** 

Towards the N<sub>2</sub>H<sup>+</sup> diffuse emission regions we have found <sup>14</sup>N/<sup>15</sup>N >200.

/beam

Another evidence of <sup>15</sup>N-enhancement towards the cores (0.03 pc)

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**NEW NOEMA + IRAM 30m OBSERVATIONS -> STAY TUNED!!** 

# Conclusions

New LOCAL <sup>14</sup>N/<sup>15</sup>N ISM VALUE 375 $\pm$ 60  $\rightarrow$  closer to PSN value

Galactic chemical evolution model reproduces Galactocentric trends and absolute values

First evidence of enhanced N-fractionation in N<sub>2</sub>H<sup>+</sup> towards a massive star-forming region

<sup>14</sup>N/<sup>15</sup>N ratios towards the more diffuse regions of the cluster (>200) higher than those derived in the cores (100-200)

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