

Herschel CHESS view of the intermediate-mass protocluster OMC-2 FIR 4



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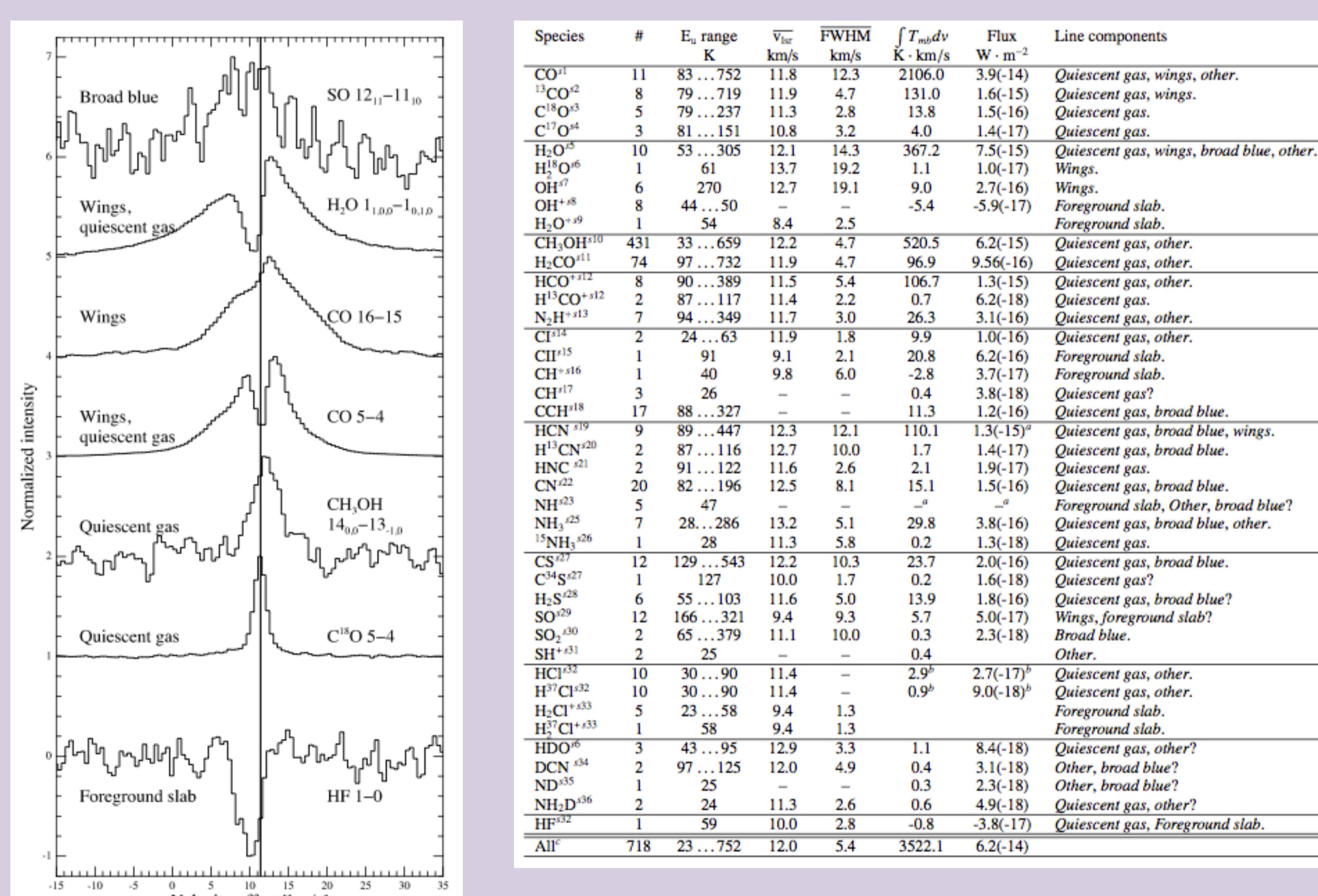
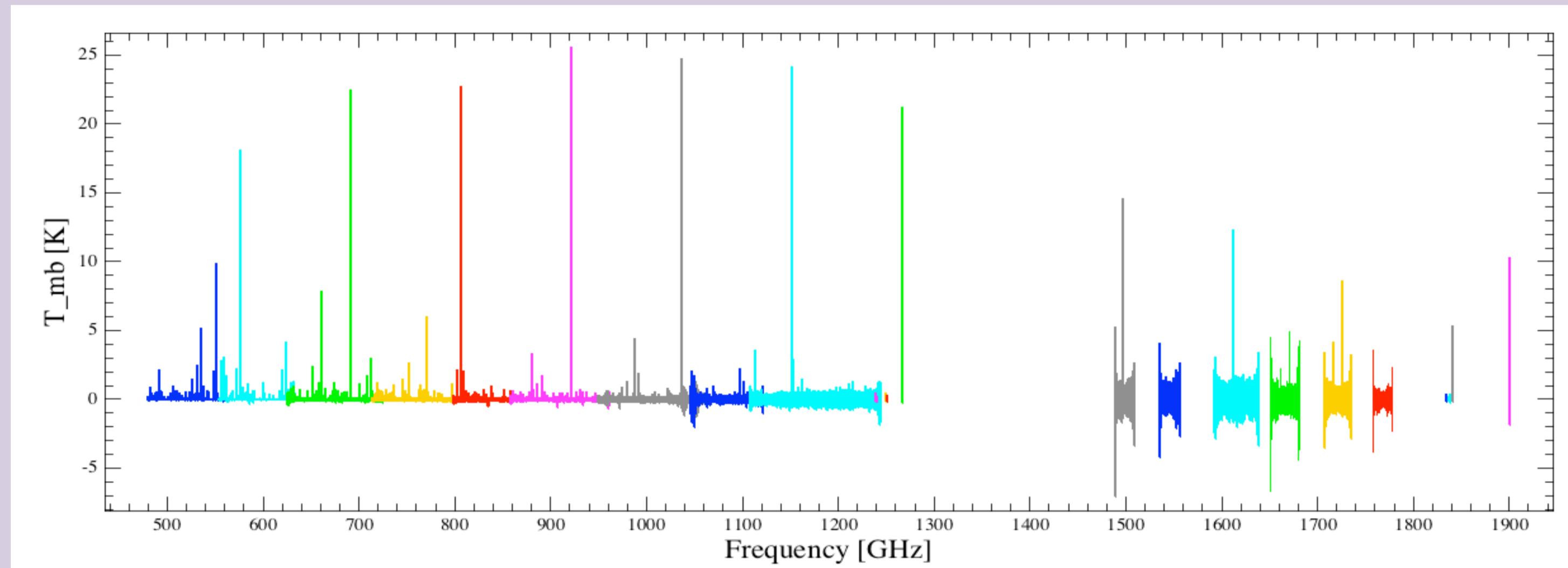
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Context and observations

Broadband spectral surveys of star-forming regions offer a rich view of their physical, chemical and dynamical structure and evolution. As part of the *Herschel* guaranteed time key programme CHESS (Ceccarelli et al. 2010), we obtained a line-rich spectrum of the intermediate-mass protocluster OMC-2 FIR 4 with the HIFI spectrograph on-board the *Herschel* satellite, covering most of the frequencies between 480 and 1900 GHz.

We have also performed a complementary spectral survey at millimetre wavelengths with the **IRAM 30-m telescope** and mapped the region with the **Plateau de Bure Interferometer**.

Herschel - HIFI spectral survey



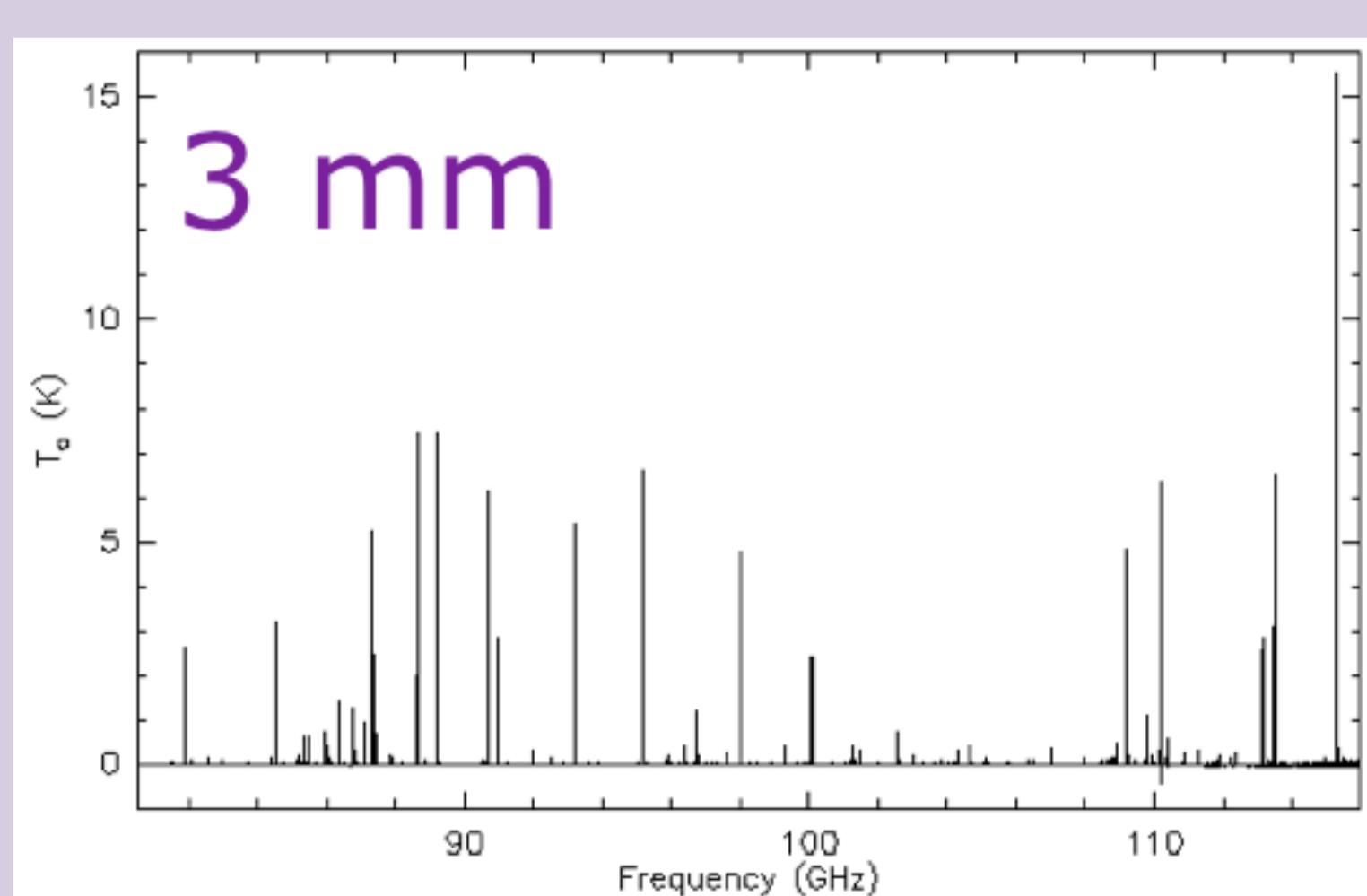
Variety of line profiles:
several kinematical components

Line inventory:

- 718 lines identified
- 26 species (and 14 secondary isotopologues)
- 58% lines from CH₃OH; 10% from H₂CO
- E_{up} = 24 – 752 K

Kama et al. (submitted to A&A)

IRAM 30-m spectral survey



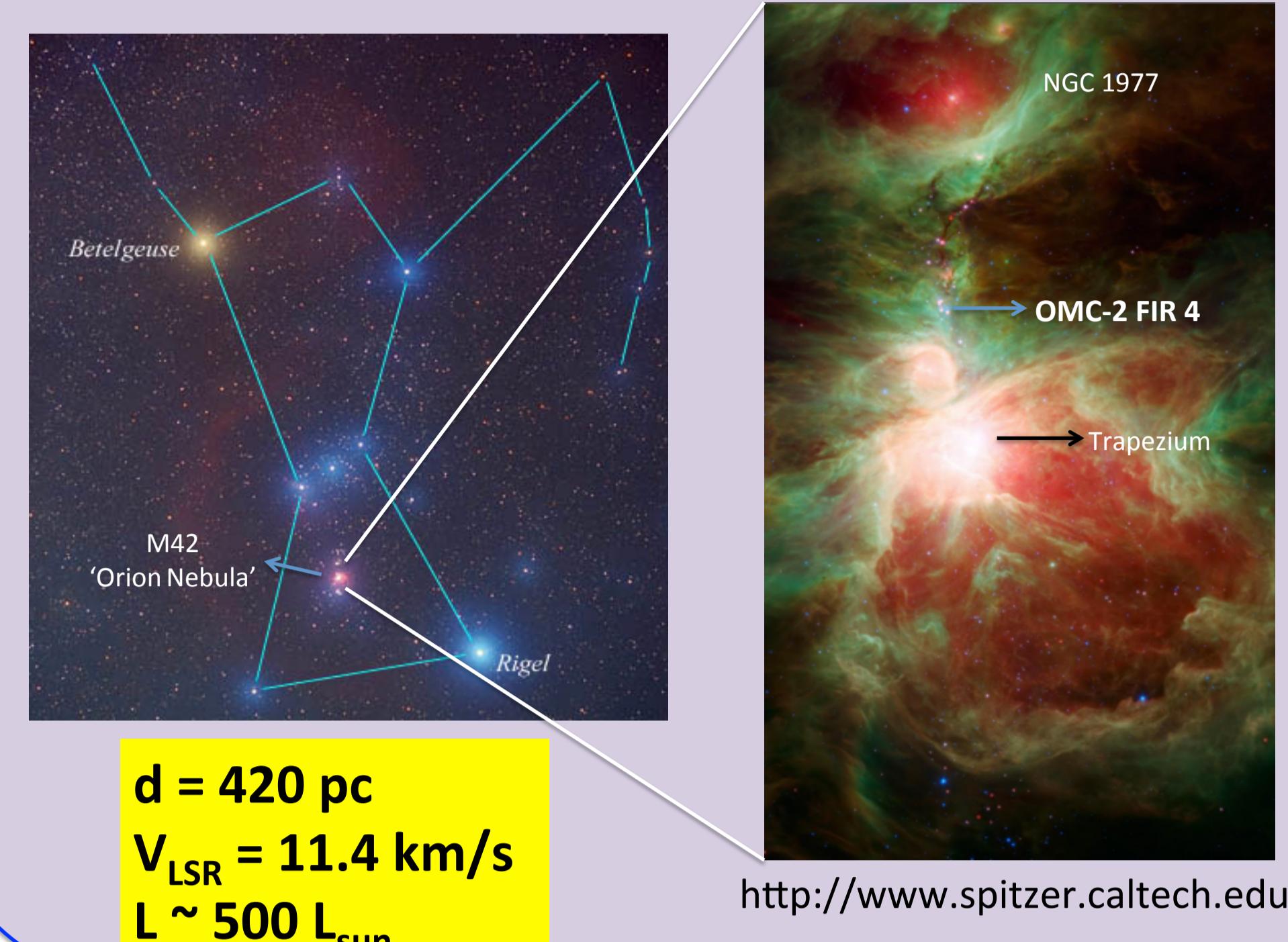
- 2 mm spectra: data reduced
- 1 and 3 mm spectra: to be reduced

López-Sepulcre et al. (in prep.)

Several hundred lines from tens of species, including Complex Organic Molecules (WORK IN PROGRESS)

The source: OMC-2 FIR 4

An intermediate-mass protocluster in Orion

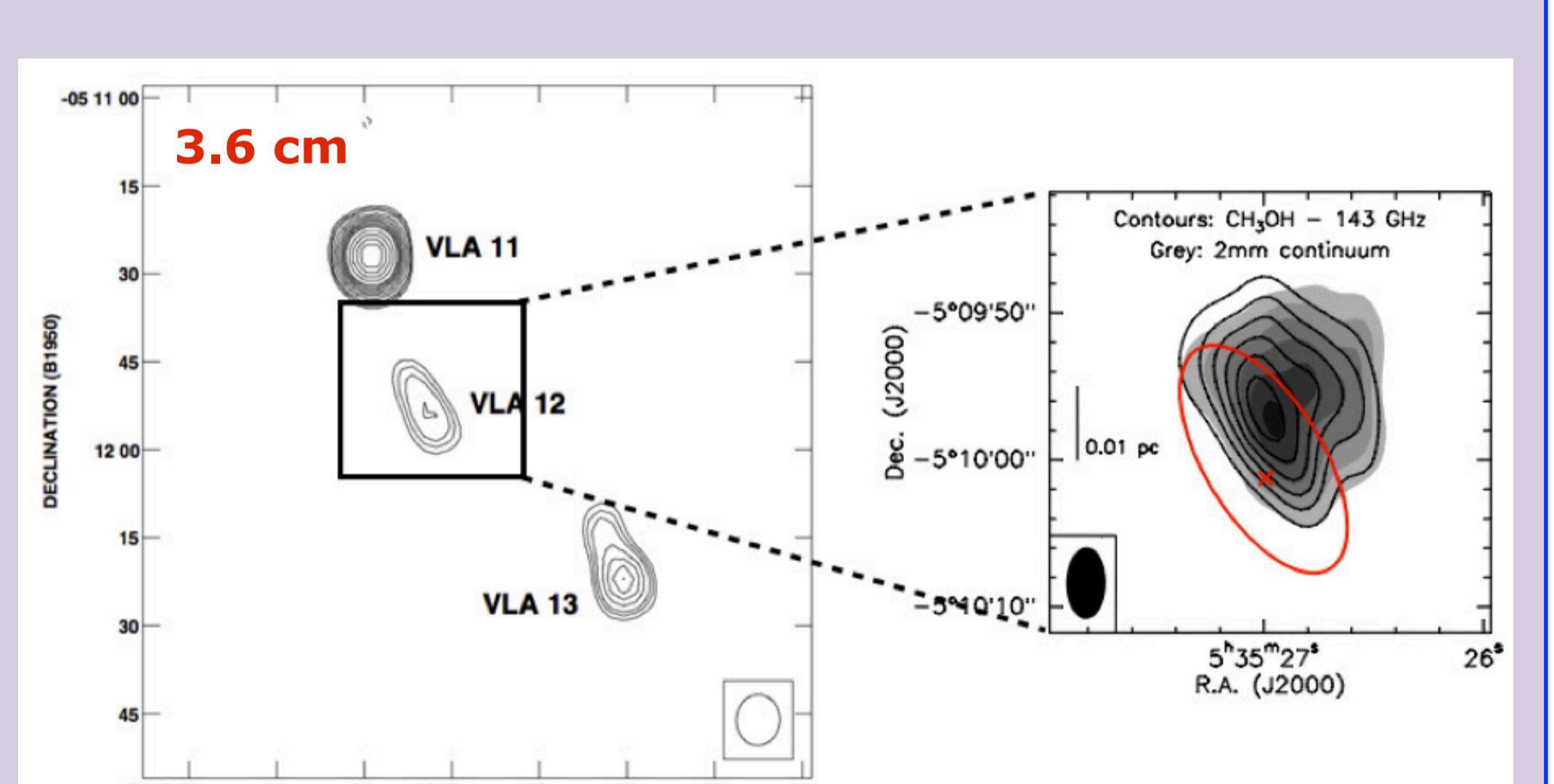
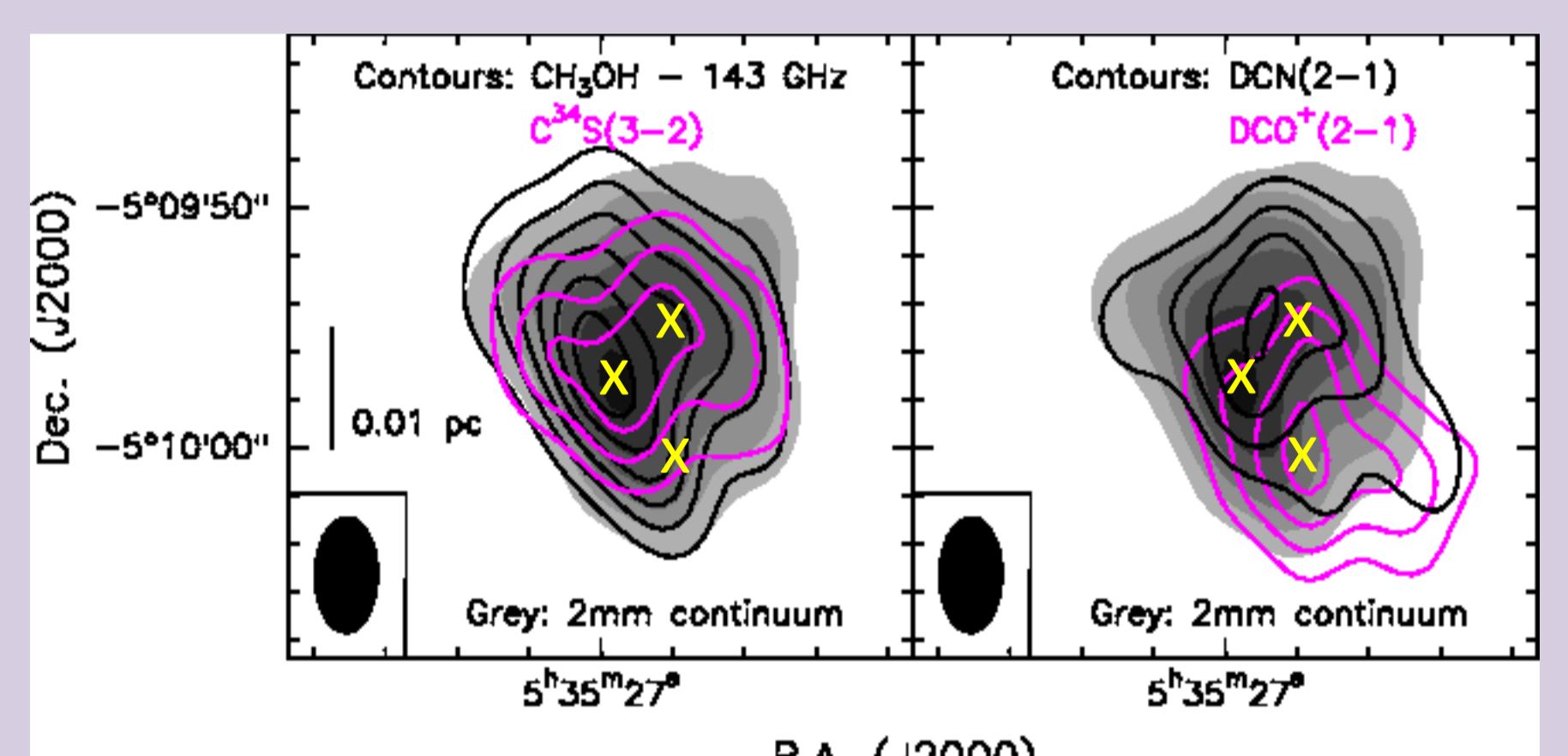


PdBI maps: The small scale structure of OMC-2 FIR 4

• High-angular resolution continuum and molecular line maps point towards **core multiplicity** in OMC-2 FIR 4.

• We distinguish 3 regions (marked with crosses), which are traced differently by each line, indicating **chemical differentiation** within OMC-2 FIR 4.

• Radio continuum emission detected with the VLA is compatible with an **HII region** driven by a **B4 young star**.



Left: VLA continuum map at 3.6 cm (Reipurth et al. 1999). Right: OMC-2 FIR 4 as seen by our PdBI maps. The red ellipse represents the VLA cm emission.

Complexity in OMC-2 FIR 4:
multiple cores, chemical differentiation,
and ionised gas coexist within 10000 AU

López-Sepulcre et al. (submitted to A&A)

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