SN 2024acn: Follow-up observations of a Type II supernova discovered by Tomo-e Gozen

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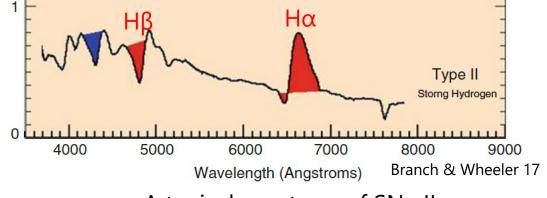
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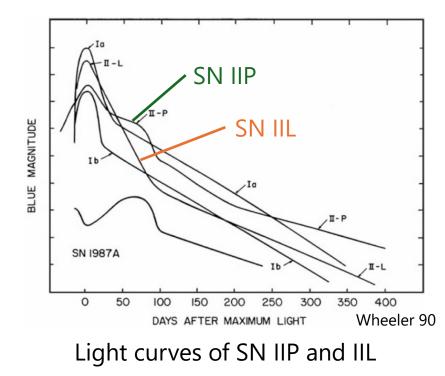
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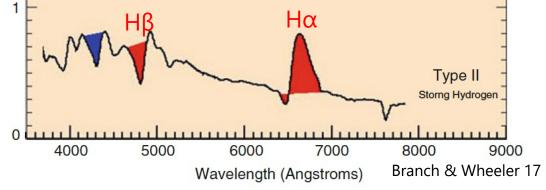


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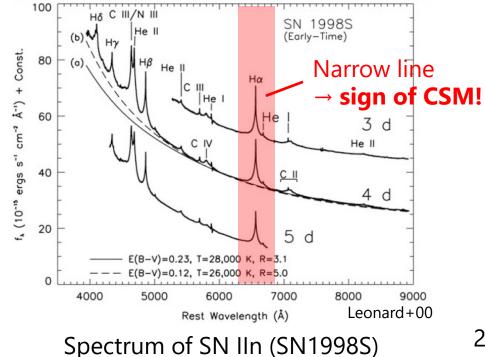


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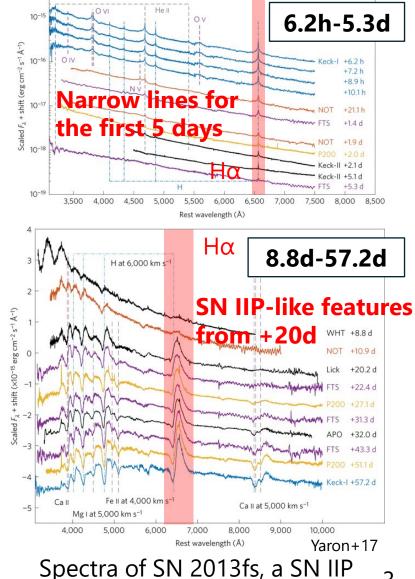


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1.2 Mass-loss of SN II progenitors

- Wide-field surveys have enabled early SN observations, deepening our understandings
- Many SN II progenitors experience intense mass-loss just before explosion (not just SNe IIn)
 - These SNe show narrow lines only for a few days after explosion
 - Implies the existence of CSM near the SN
- There is a **diversity of mass-loss rates** within SNe II
 - We need a larger sample (e.g. SNe in between SNe IIP and SNe IIn) to understand this diversity
 - SNe should be observed as early as possible



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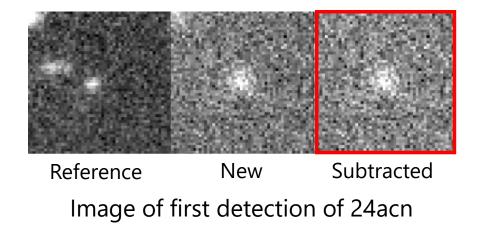
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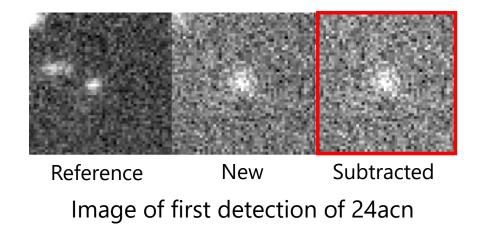
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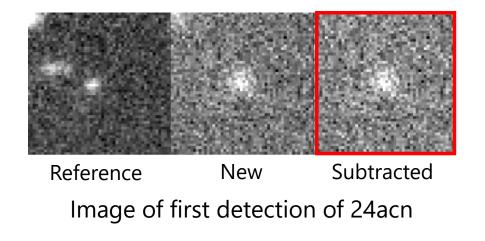
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Discovery report of 24acn

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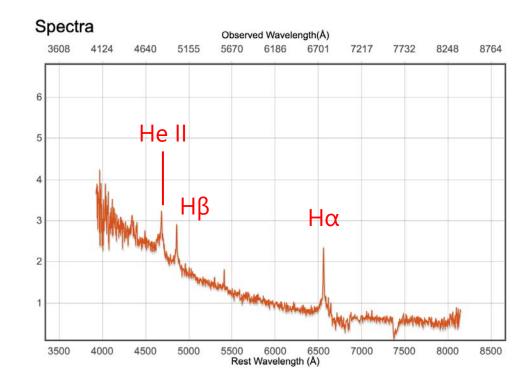
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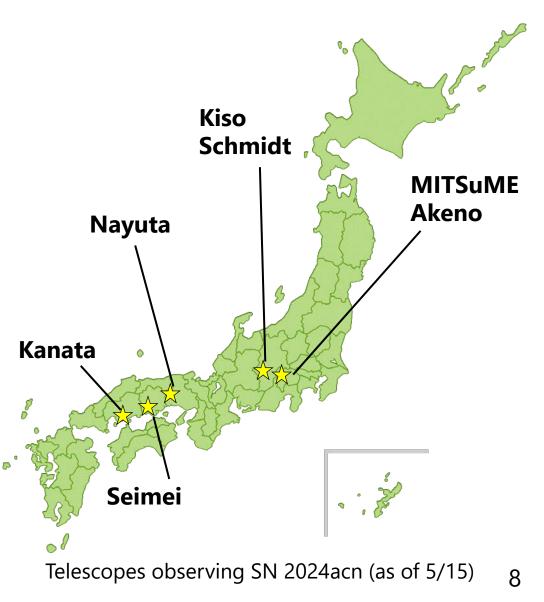
A quicklook spectrum of 24acn taken on 1/15 by Seimei (KOOLS-IFU, VPH-blue)

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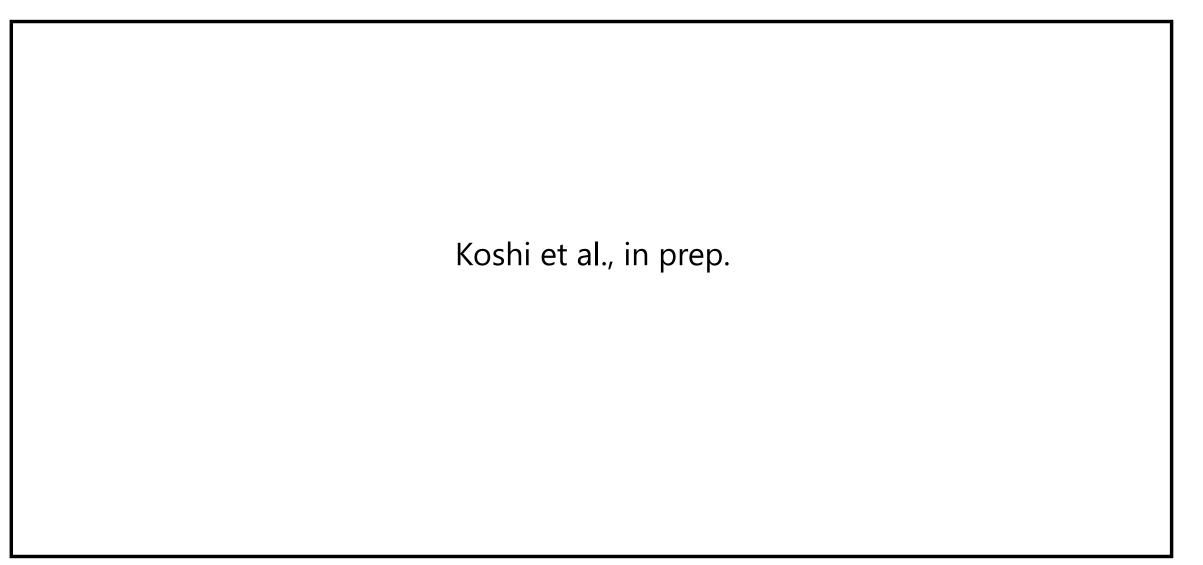


3.2 Photometry of SN 2024acn

- A 10-30 day rise to an absolute magnitude of g'~-19.6 mag
- A slow decline of ~0.02 mag/day from 30d after discovery



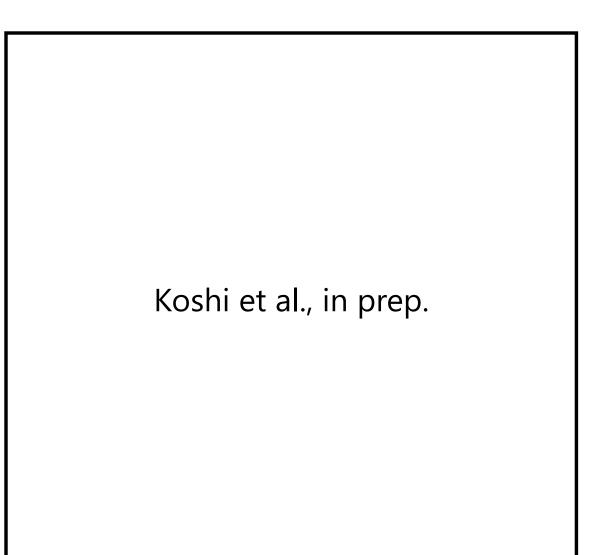
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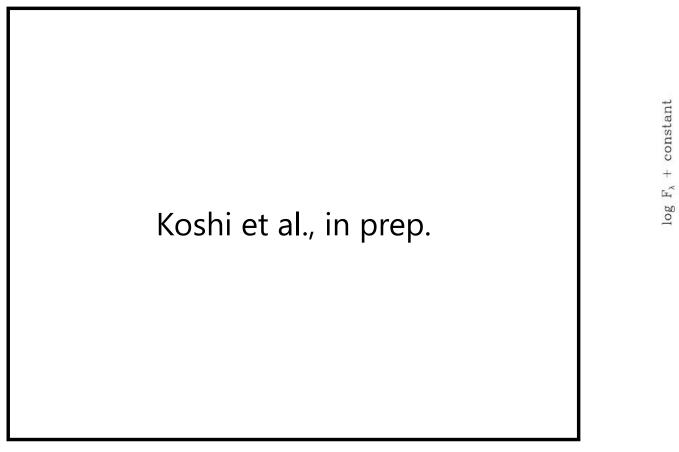
- Relatively luminous for a SN IIn
- Showing a plateau after peak
 - Subclassified as a "SN IInP"?

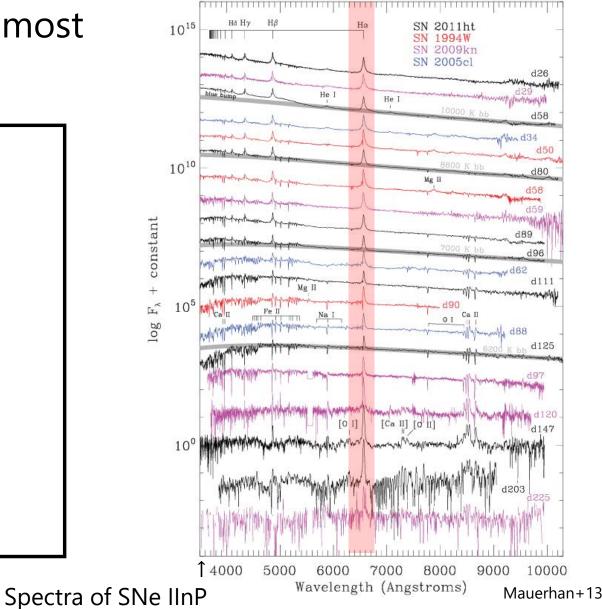
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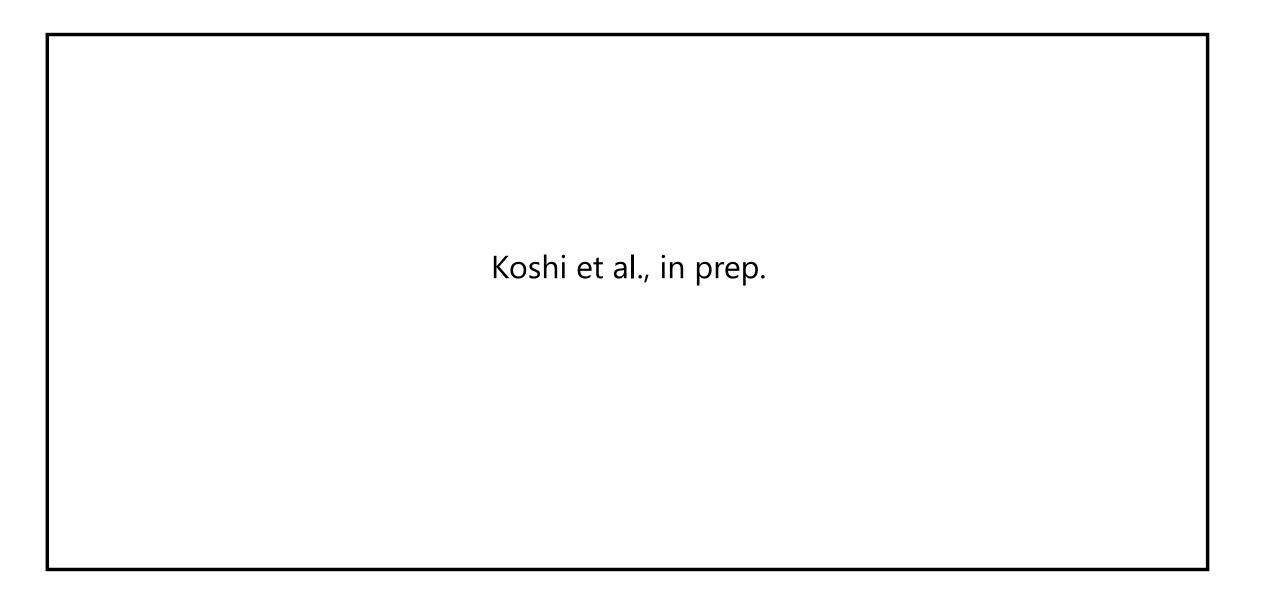
 However, the spectra differ from most SNe IInP





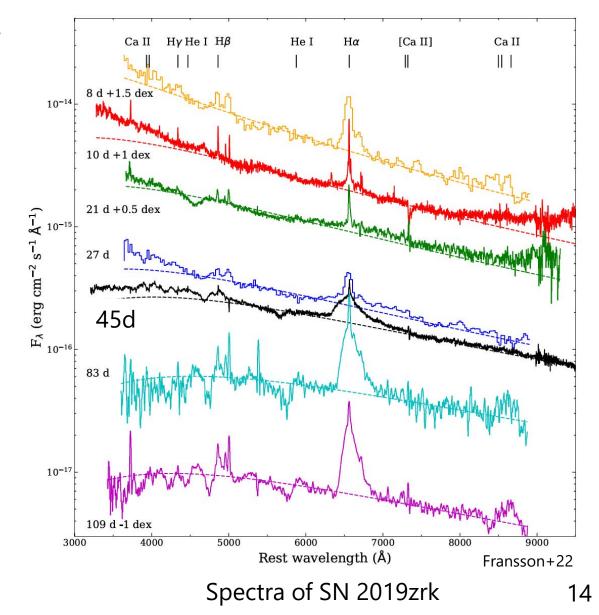
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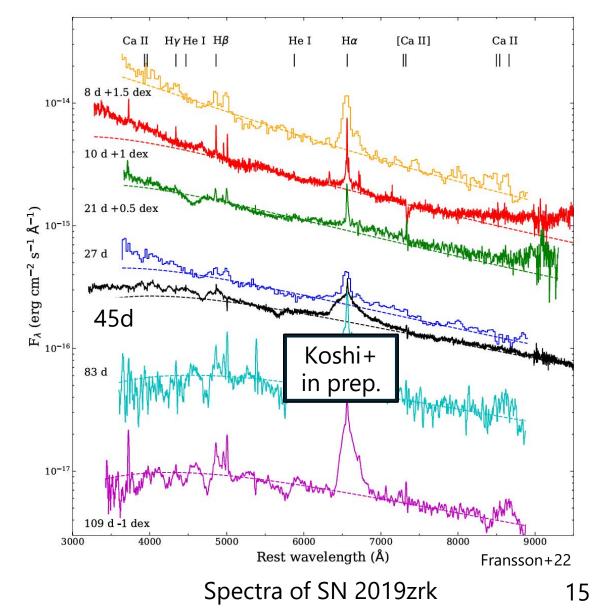
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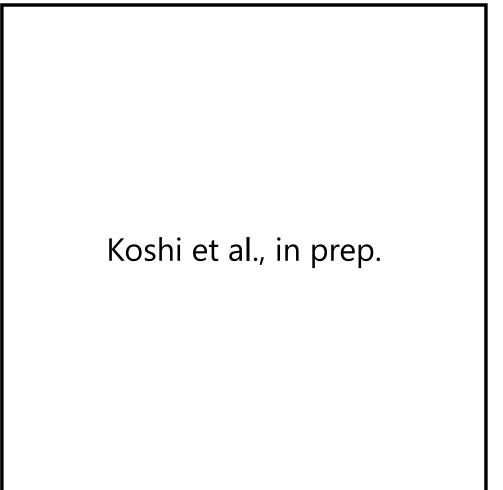
4.3 Investigation of dust formation

- JHKs-band photometry is being taken with the Kanata telescope (HONIR)
- Hints of dust formation have been found
 - The Ks-band magnitude seem to deviate from the blackbody spectrum
 - There is another energy source in the NIR other than the expanding ejecta (i.e. dust)
- Additional observation is required to confirm and quantify the effect of dust
 - Smaller observation error in the Ks-band
 - Seeing if the SN is brightening or dimming in the NIR

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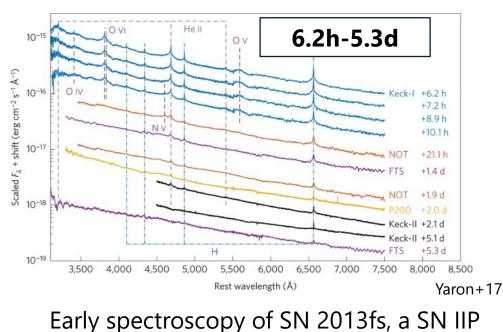
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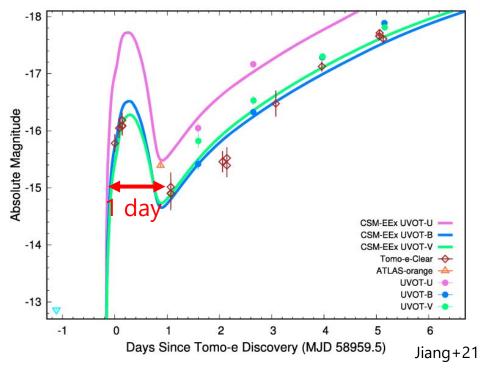
- SNe IInP light curves drop rapidly after their plateau (which may be soon!)
 - > We need multiple points on the tail
 - Observe until the end of June (visibility)
- Does 24acn have a more compact
 CSM region than normal SNe IIn?
 - Is the CSM distribution in "between" SNe IIP and SNe IIn?
- 24acn has an unusual spectral evolution for a SN IInP
 > Would the Hα profile change with time?



5.2 Necessity of continued search for early SNe

- Further efforts are expected to help discover more SNe in their early stages
 - Early spectroscopy of SNe II
 - \blacklozenge <10 days after explosion \rightarrow constraints to mass-loss history of progenitor
 - Early flux excess of SNe Ia
 - 2-5 days after explosion \rightarrow constraints to Ni distribution, progenitor system, etc.
- Framework to realize rapid follow-up observations also needs to be established

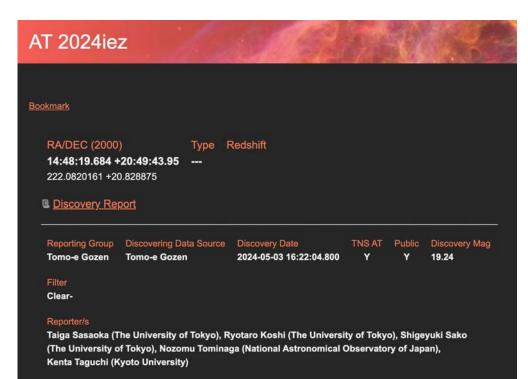




Early light curve of SN 2020hvf, a SN Ia with an early flux excess

5.3 Summary

- SN 2024acn is a Type II supernova that was found in its early phase by Tomo-e Gozen
- It has a SN IInP-like light curve
 - However, it also shows broad hydrogen lines (that may be seen in SNe IIP)
 - More observation is needed to discuss properties and progenitor candidates
- Observation with several telescopes enables obtainment of good data
- More SNe are expected to be found by Tomo-e
 - Follow-up with various telescopes will maximize the values of these discoveries



Discovery report of AT 2024iez, a possible supernova detected on 5/3 (Sasaoka+24)