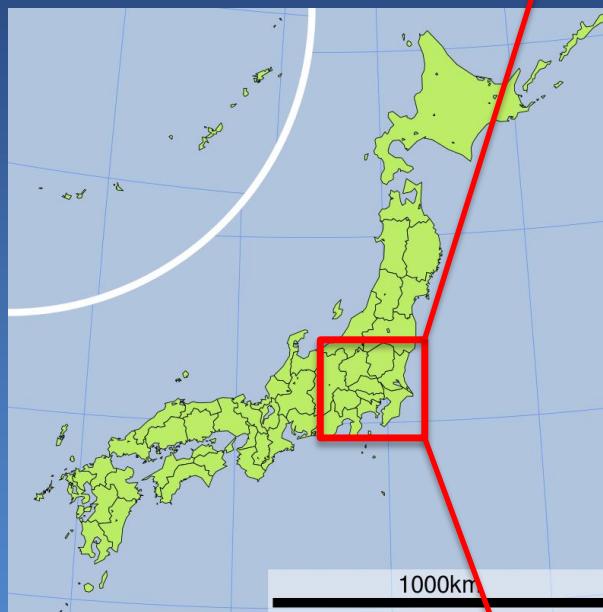


Activities of the observational astronomy group at Univ. of Tsukuba

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Astronomy group

- Observational astronomy group
 - Nakai, N. (Group leader, professor)
 - Kuno, N. (professor)
 - Nitta, T (assistant professor)
 - Nagai, M., Saito,H. (postdoc)
 - Graduate student: 15 (3 foreign students)
 - Undergraduate student: 3
- Theoretical astronomy group
 - Umemura, M. (group leader, professor) et al.

Research and Development

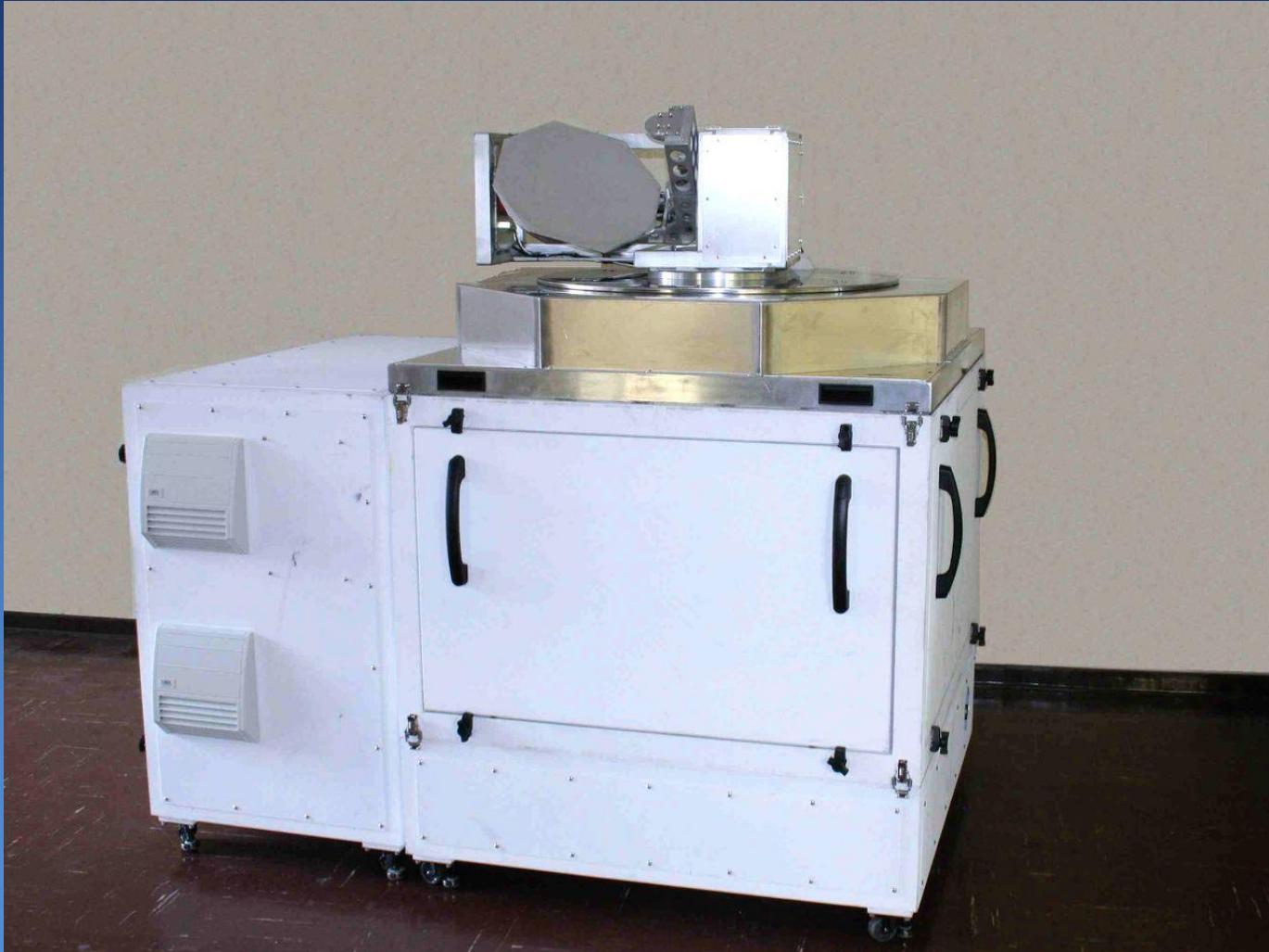
1. Development of instruments

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2. Observations with existing telescopes

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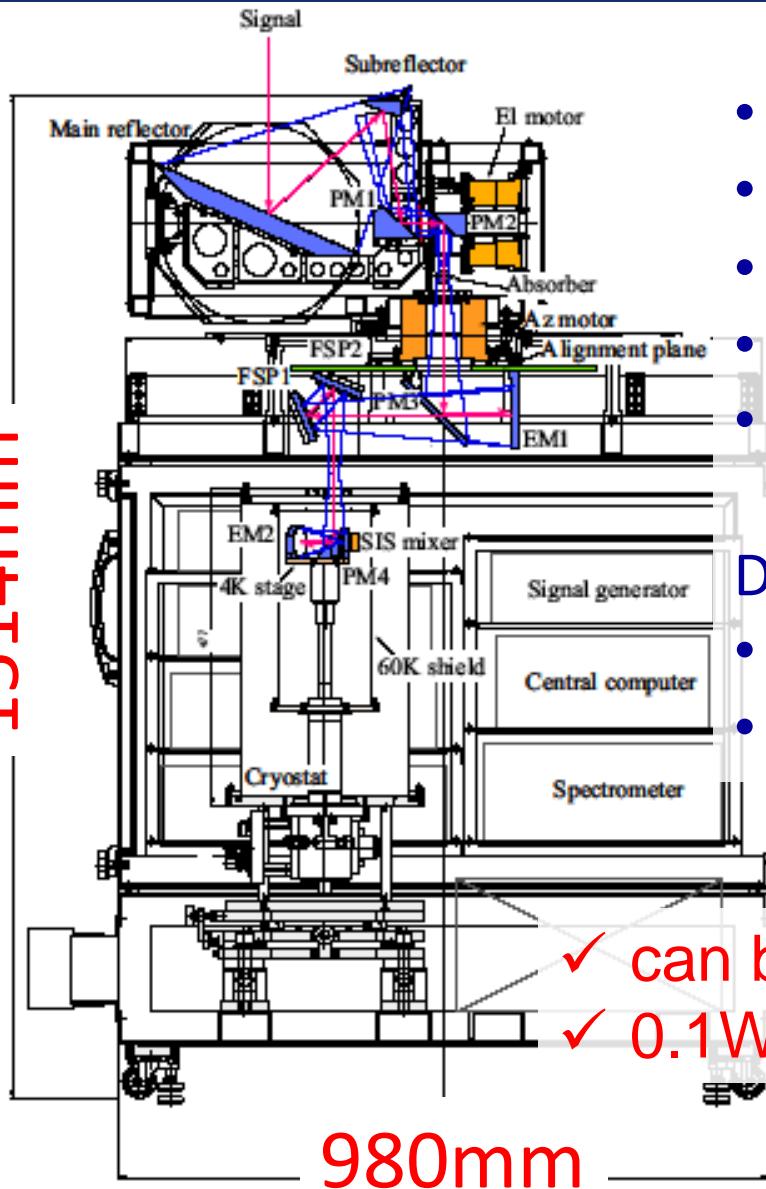
Tsukuba 30-cm submm telescope



Ishii, Seta et al. (2016)

Tsukuba 30-cm Submm. Telescope

1514mm



- Diameter : 30cm (offset Cassegrain)
- 500 GHz SIS receiver
- Angular resolution (HPBW) : $9'.4 \pm 0'.4$
- Main beam efficiency : 0.87 ± 0.10
- Receiver noise temperature : 900 K

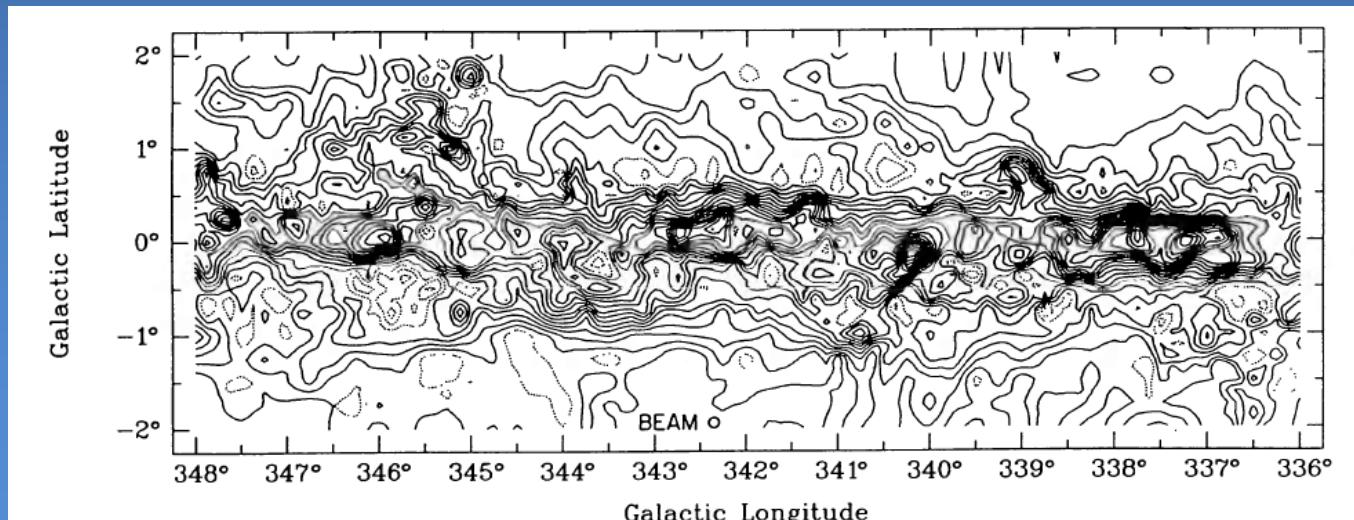
Digital Spectrometer (FX)

- Bandwidth : 1 GHz
- Resolution : 61 kHz

✓ can be assembled by hands of 4 people
✓ 0.1W @ 4 K cooler

Mapping of the Milky Way in CO(4-3)

- Univ. Chile-Columbia-CfA CO(1-0) survey
(Bronfman et al. 1988, 1989)
- Univ. Tokyo CO(2-1) survey (Sakamoto et al. 1995)
 - ⇒ Same beam size ($\sim 9'$)
 - ⇒ Physical condition (density, temp.) of molecular gas from the line ratios

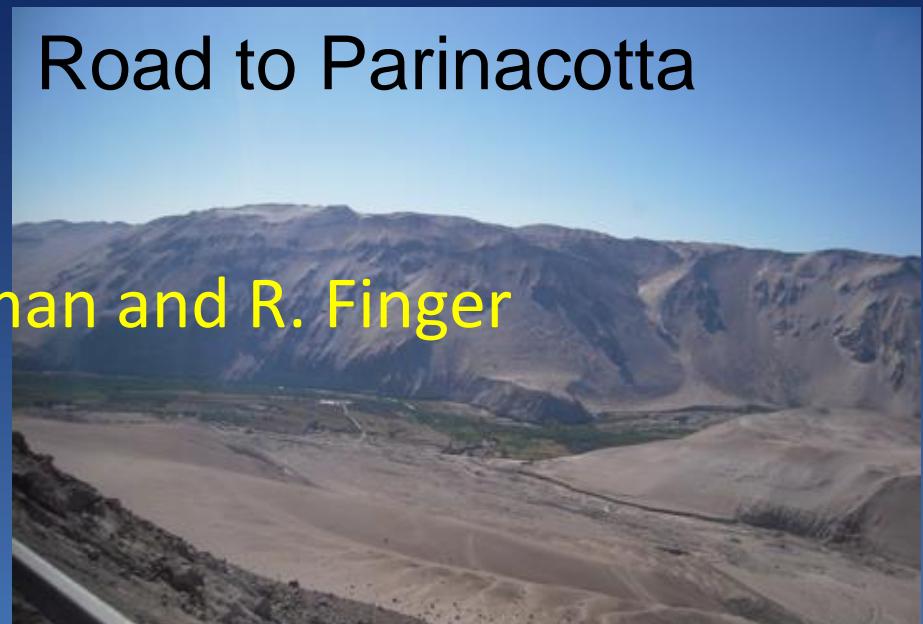


CO(1-0): Bronfman et al. (1989)

Observations with 30-cm telescope in Chile



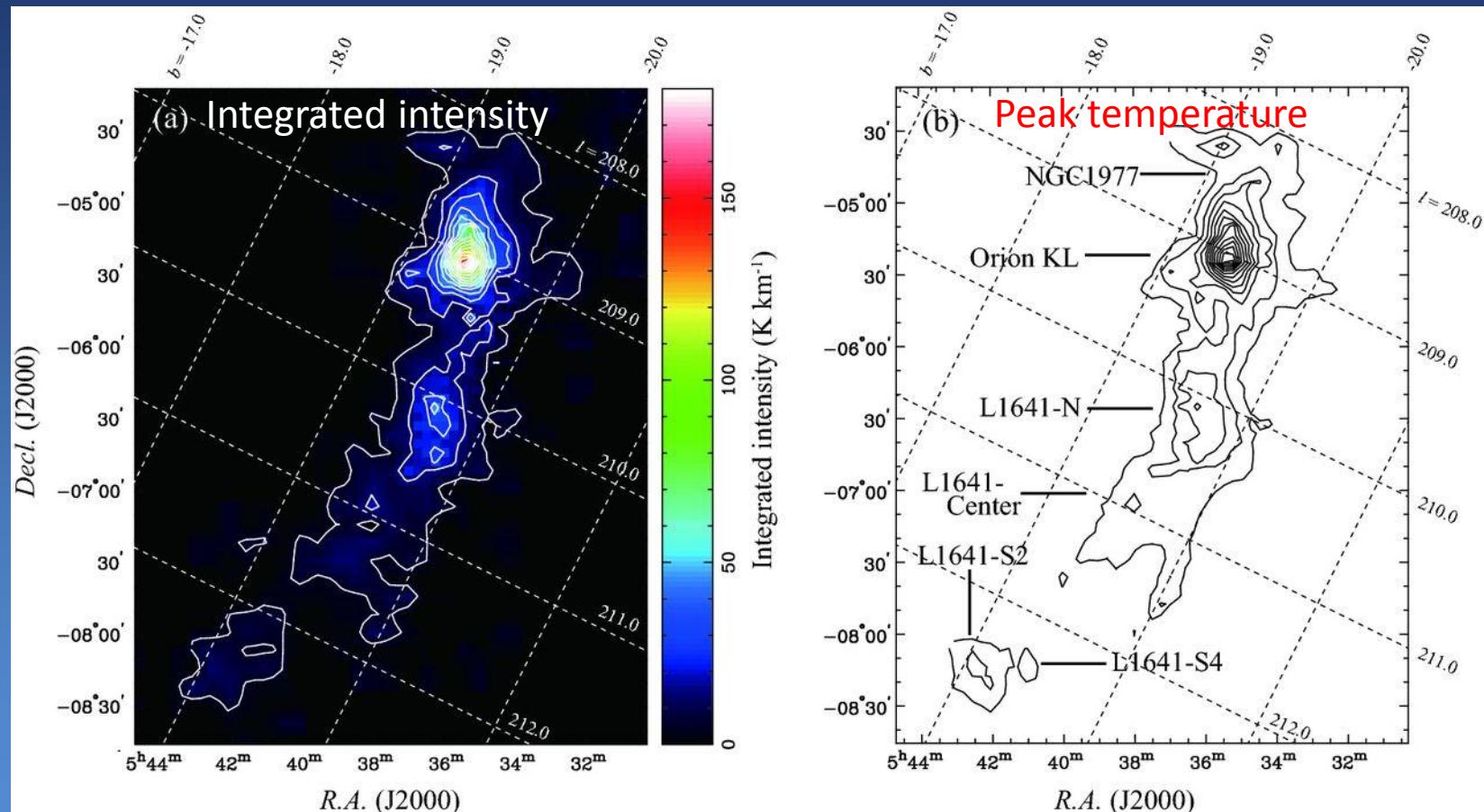
Road to Parinacotta



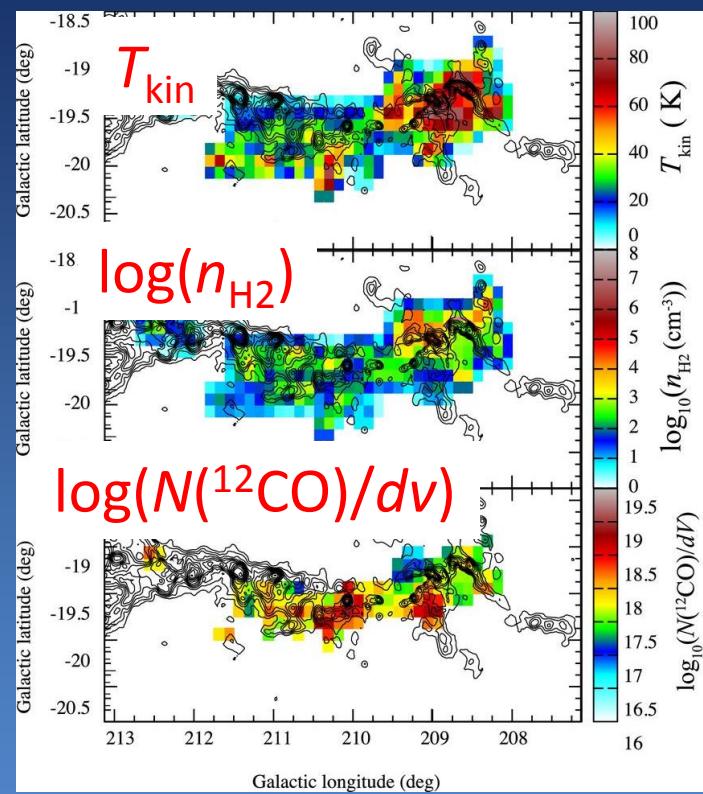
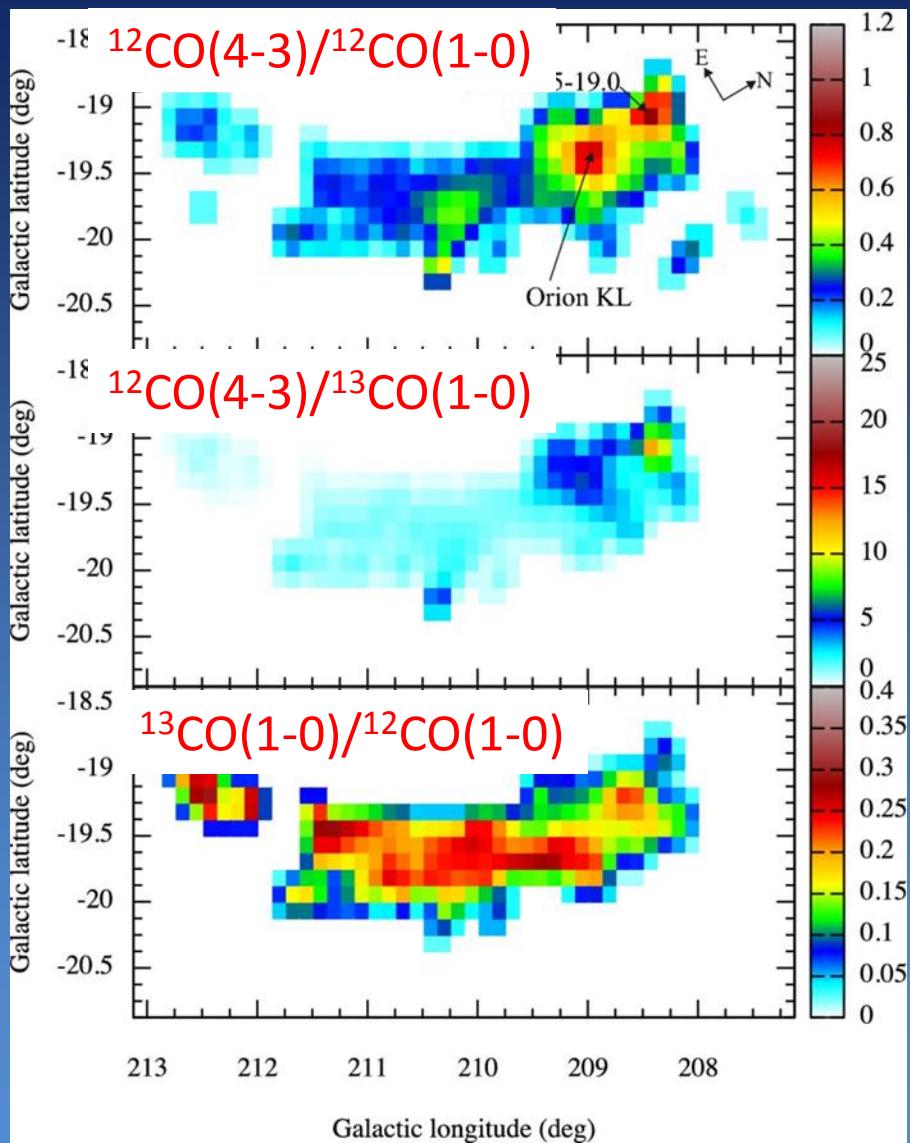
Parinacotta (4500m)



^{12}CO ($J=4-3$) observations of Orion-A giant molecular cloud



Ishii, Seta et al. (2016)



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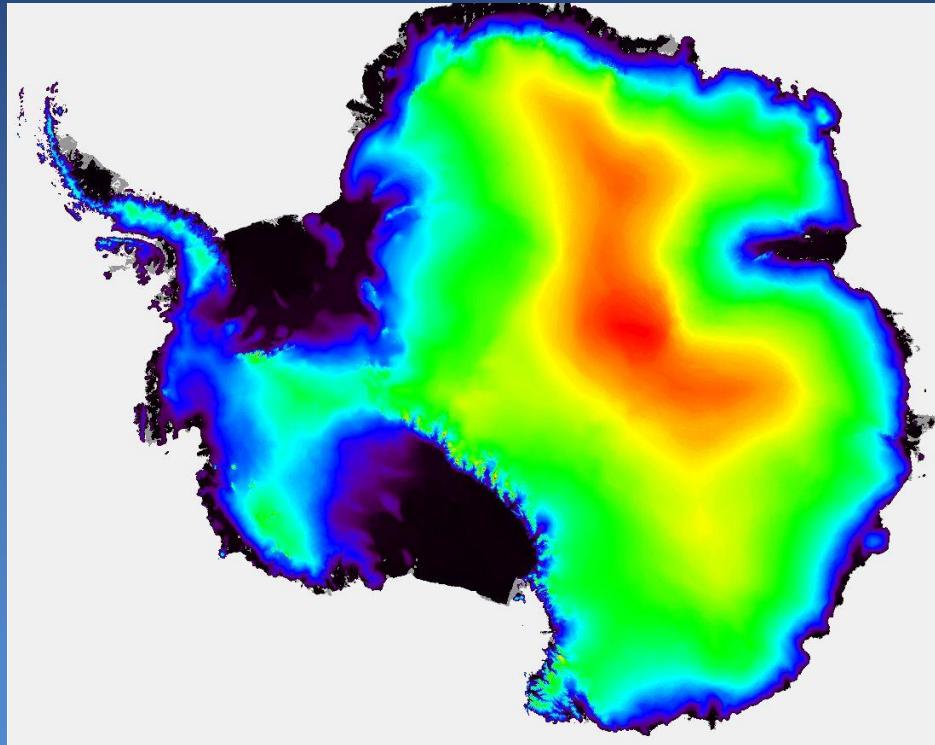
Present status and future plan

- Test observations at Nobeyama Radio Observatory (2015)
 - Check of pointing model (@220GHz)
- Observations at a high site in Chile?
 - Collaboration with Seta, M. et al. (Kwansei gaikuin Univ.)
- Observations in Antarctica?

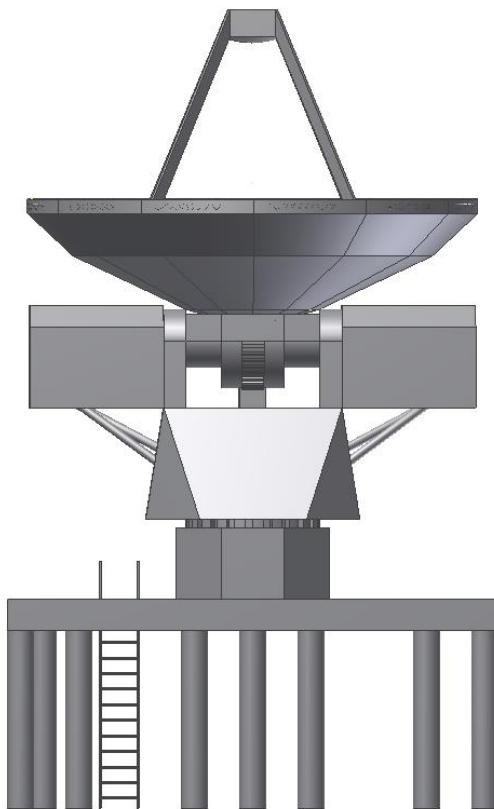
Antarctic 10-m Terahertz Telescope

Collaborators of other institutes

- Seta, M. (Kwansei Gakuin Univ.)
- Sorai, K. (Hokkaido Univ.)
- Sekimoto, Y. (National Astronomical Observatory of Japan)
- Kim (National Institute of Technology, Fukushima collage)
- Naruse, M. (Saitama University)
- Nishibori, T. (JAXA)
et al.



Antarctic 10-m Terahertz Telescope

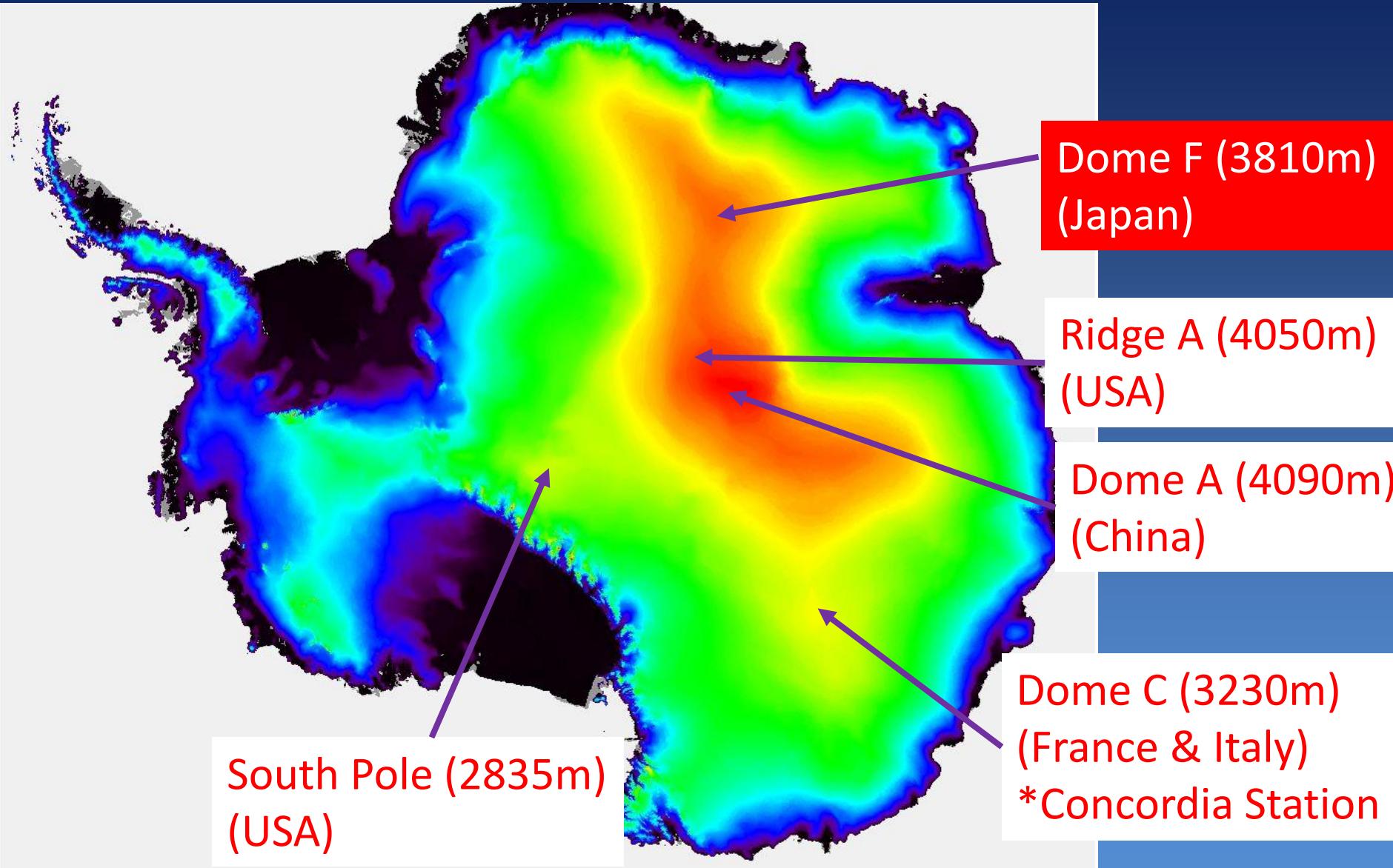


- Diameter:> 10m
- Ritchey–Chrétien
- Field of view: 1°
- Surface accuracy:< 20μm
- Frequency: 200GHz-1.3THz
- Pointing accuracy: 2"
- Tracking accuracy: 0.5"

Angular resolution

200GHz	800GHz	1.3THz
37"	9.3"	5.8"

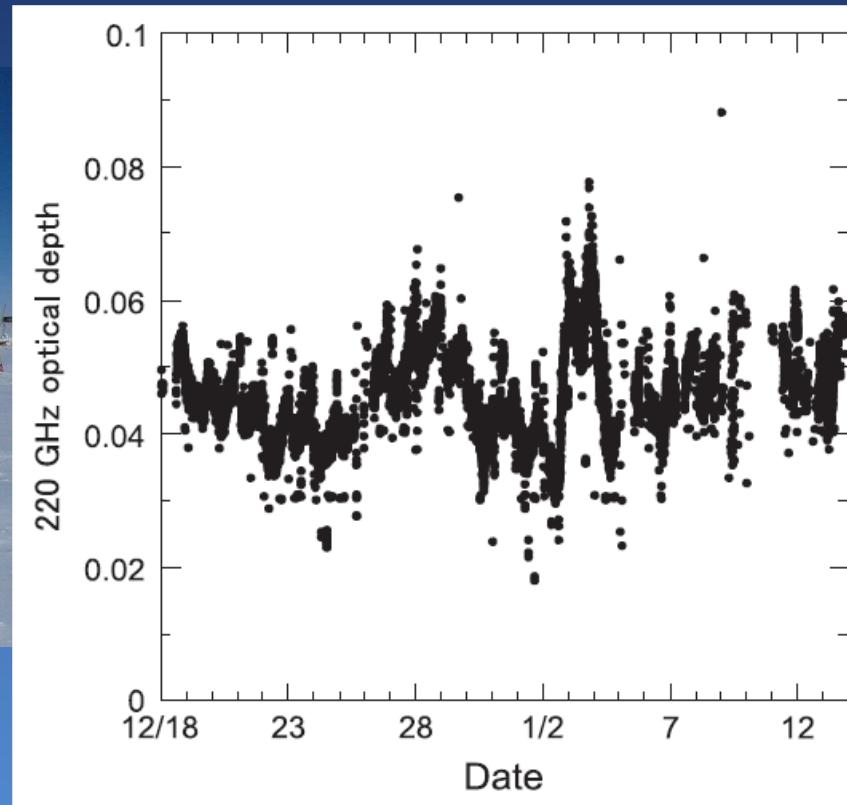
Antarctica



Site test at Dome Fuji



220 GHz radiometer @ Dome F



220 GHz optical depth

Ishii et al. (2010)

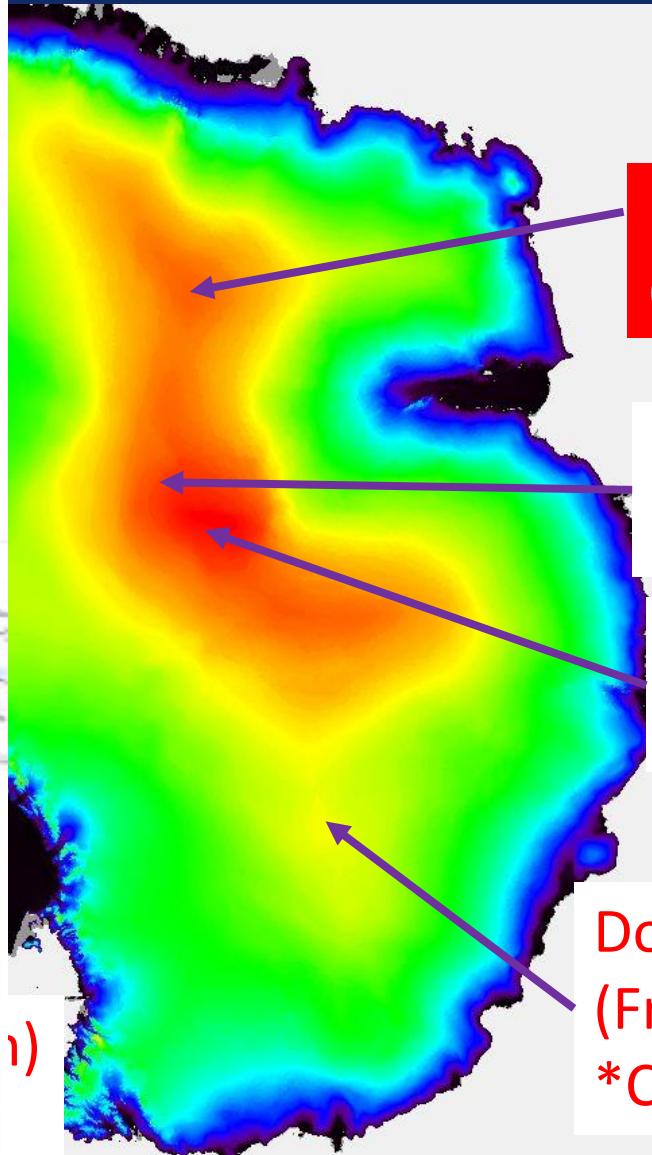
Jan. 1995



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Antarctica



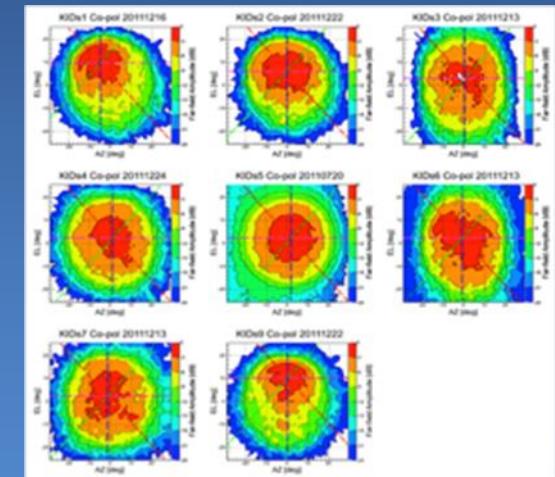
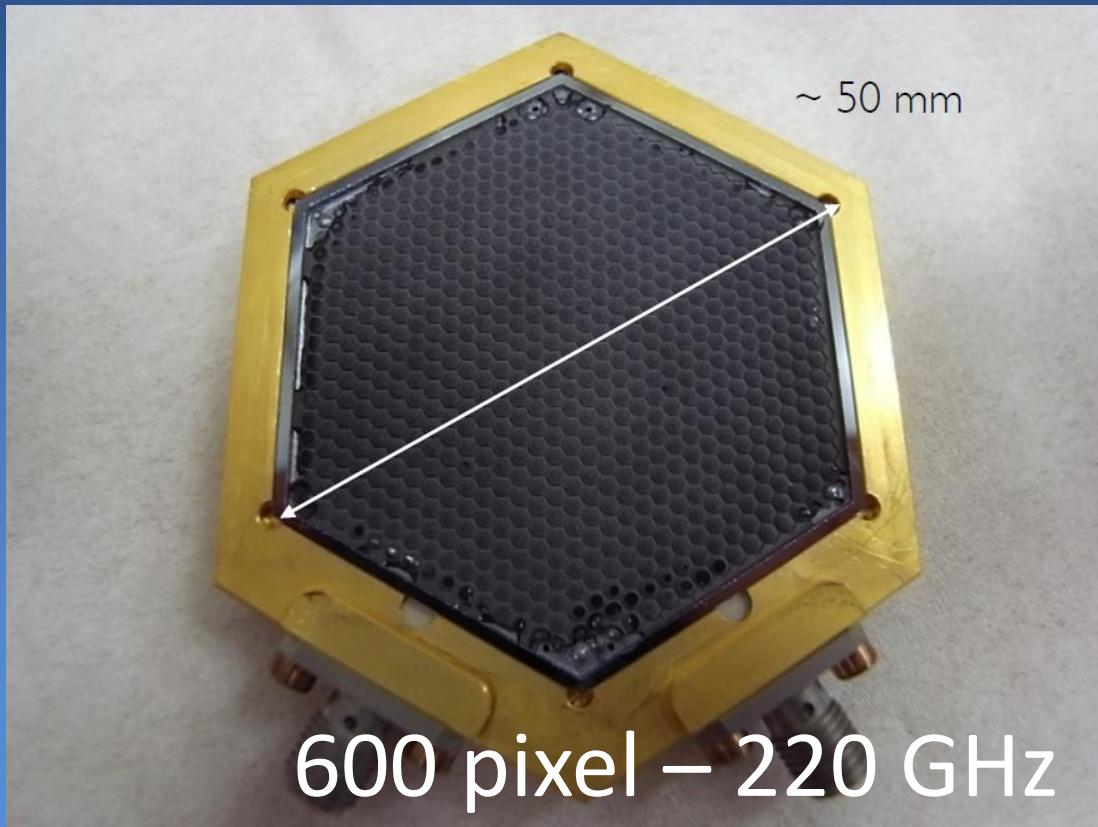
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Antarctica



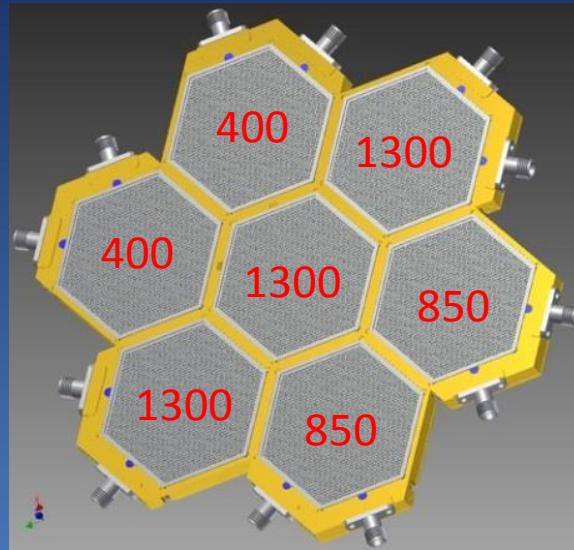
Wide Field Radio Camera

- MKID(Microwave Kinetic Inductance Detector)
 - NEP = 6×10^{-18} W/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$



220 GHz Beam pattern
(Nitta et al. 2013)

Wide Field Radio Camera



600 pixels
 $\text{FoV} \sim 0.1^\circ$

$\sim 20,000$ pixels
 $\text{FoV} \sim 1^\circ$

- 400GHz, 850GHz, 1.3THz
 - simultaneous observations

Survey of distant galaxies

- Submm galaxies

⇒ Young distant galaxies obscured by interstellar dust

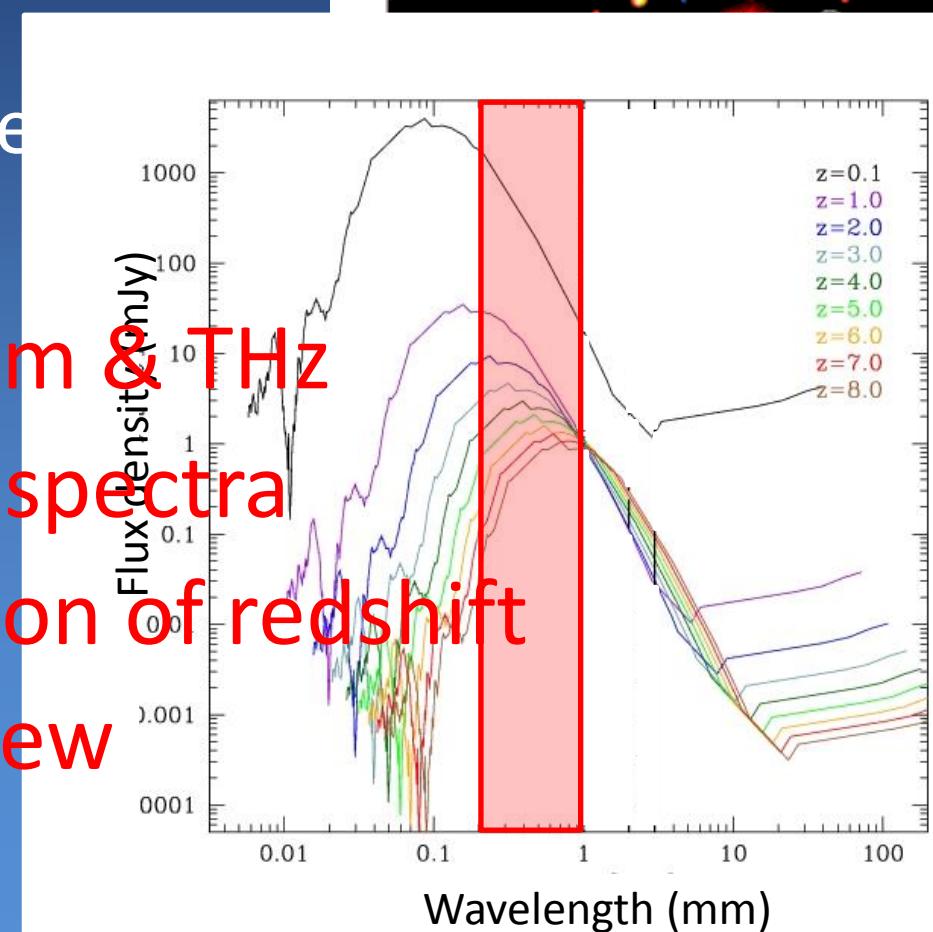
⇒ evolution of galaxies

✓ Survey at Submm & THz

✓ THz ⇒ Peak of spectra

⇒ rough estimation of redshift

✓ Wide field of view



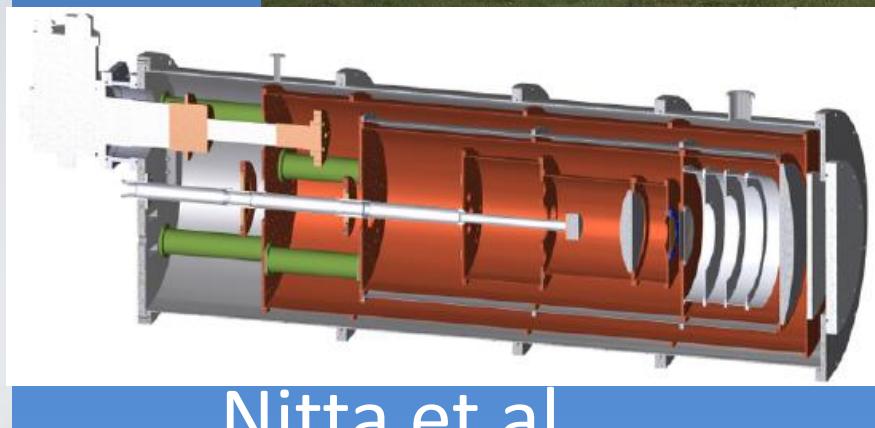
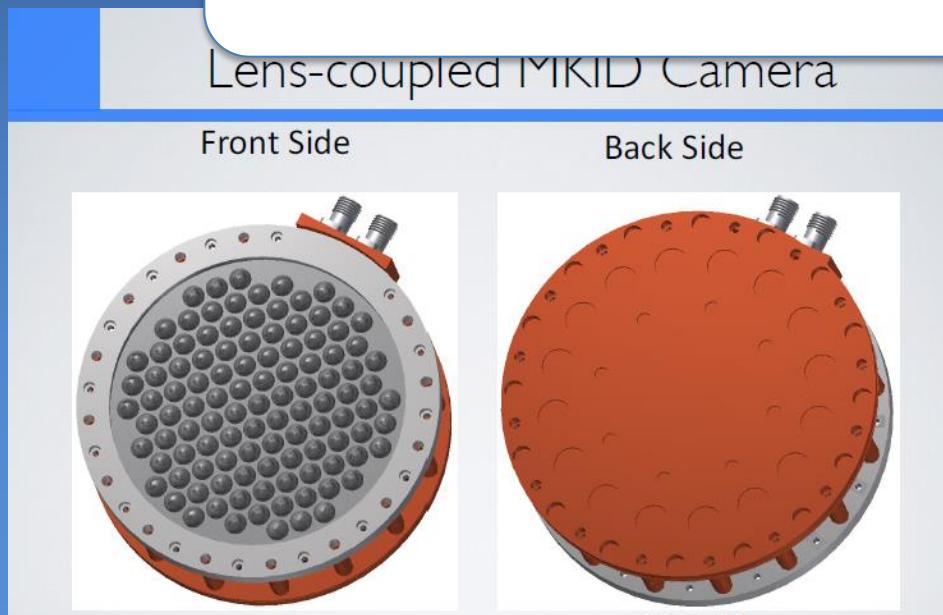
Schedule

- 2017 Budget request
- 2018 Design & Fabrication
- 2019 
- 2020 Construction @ Univ. of Tsukuba
- 2021 Tests & Adjustments
- 2022 
- 2023 Transport to Antarctica
- 2024 Construction @Dome C

Radio camera for NRO 45-m telescope

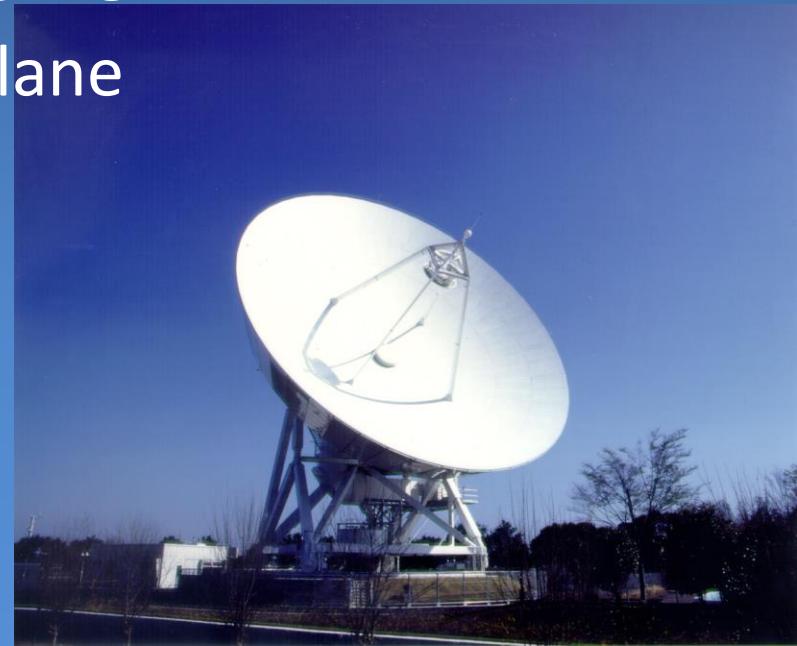
- Lens-coupled MKID camera
- 109 pixels
- 100 GHz
- FoV

will be installed in Dec. 2016

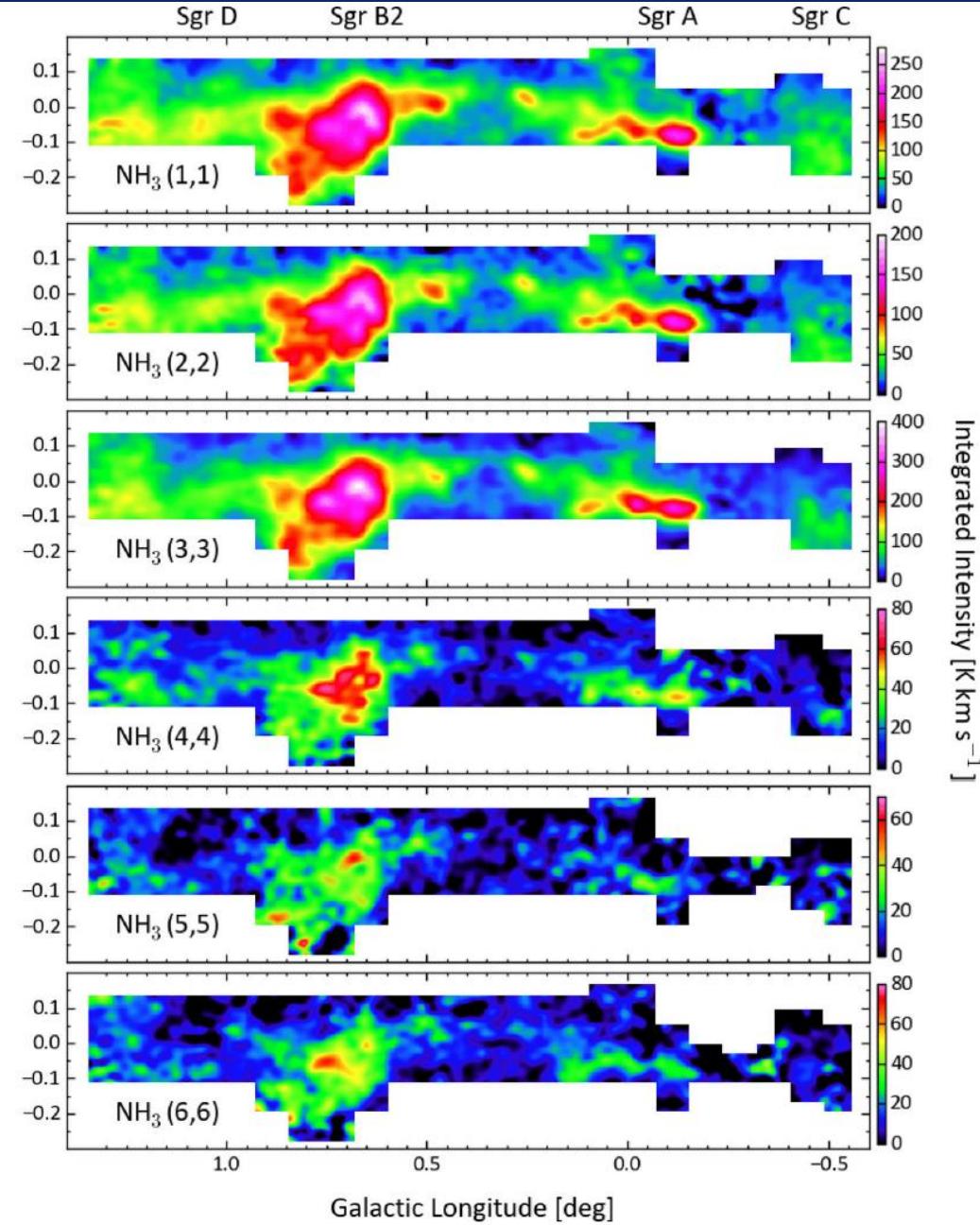


Tsukuba 32m Telescope

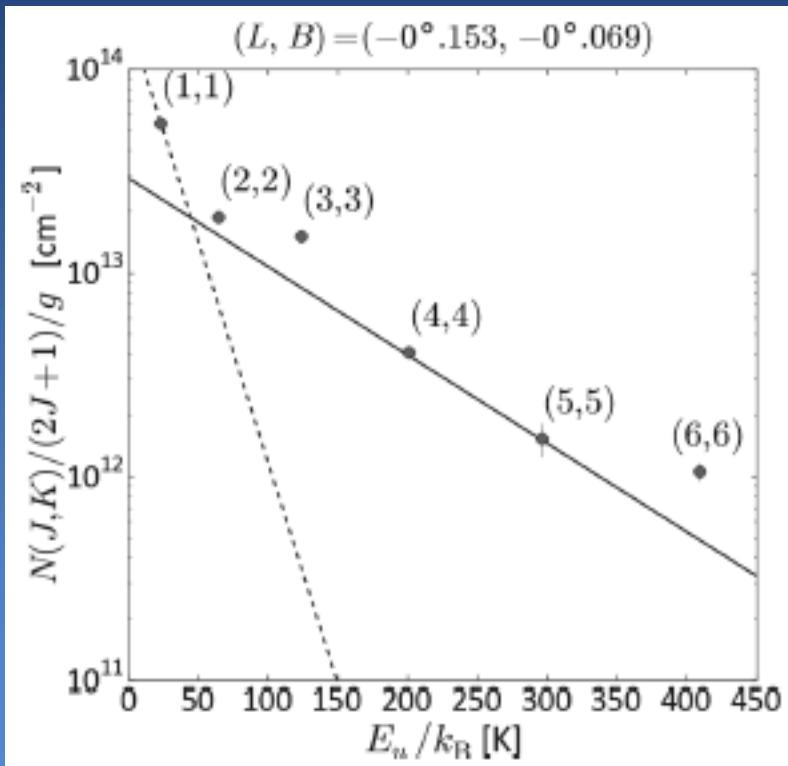
- The Geospatial Information Authority of Japan (Geodetic VLBI)
- Single dish (20 GHz)
 - NH₃ mapping of star forming regions
 - NH₃ survey of the Galactic Plane
- will be closed in 2017



The Galactic center



$\text{NH}_3(1,1)\text{--}(6,6)$
⇒ Temperature



Arai et al. (2016)

NRO Legacy Projects

- NRO 45-m telescope
 - $\sim 15''$ @ 115 GHz
- FOREST: new multi-beam receiver
 - 4 beam x 2 pol. x 2 SB
- Multi-line mapping with high angular resolution

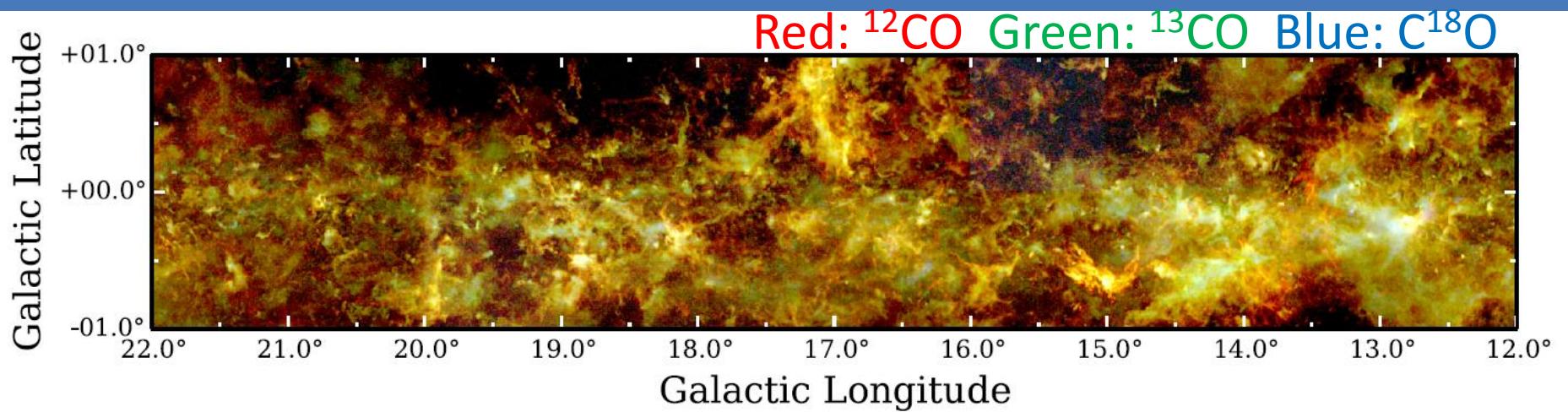
➤ FUGIN
➤ COMING



FUGIN

(FOREST Ultra-wide Galactic Plane Survey In Nobeyama)

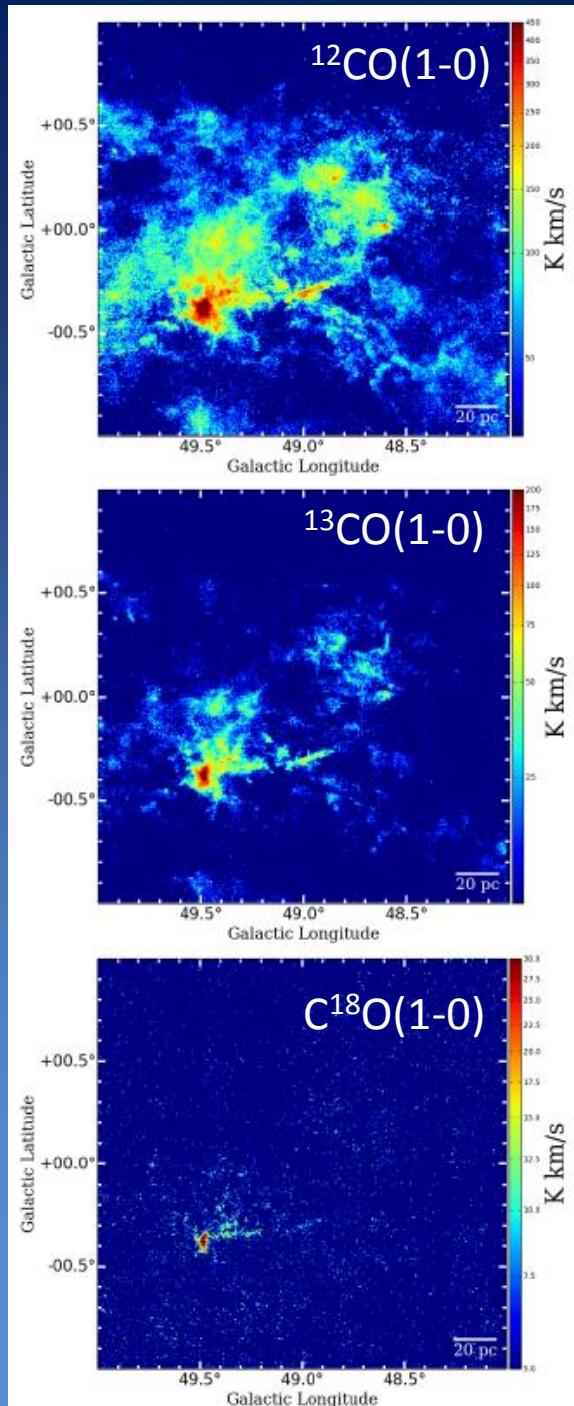
- Umemoto, Minamidani (NRO) et al.
- $^{12}\text{CO}(1\text{-}0)$, $^{13}\text{CO}(1\text{-}0)$, $\text{C}^{18}\text{O}(1\text{-}0)$ survey of the Galactic Plane
 - $|l| = 10^\circ\text{-}50^\circ, 198^\circ\text{-}236^\circ$ $|b| \leq 1^\circ$
 - Beamsize $\sim 15''$



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- W51 GMC (Fujita et al.)
- SNR Kes79 (Kuriki et al.)

W51
(Fujita et al.)



COMING

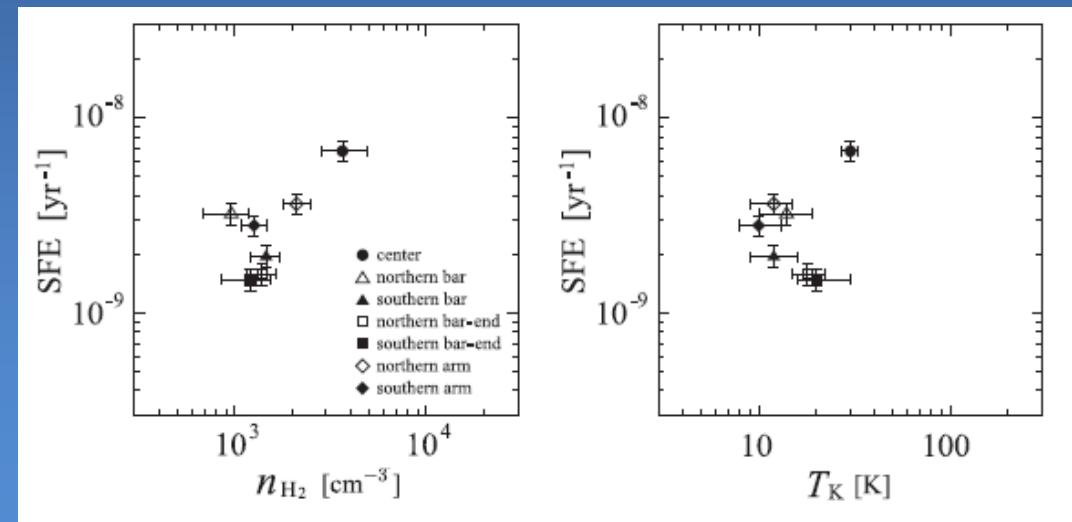
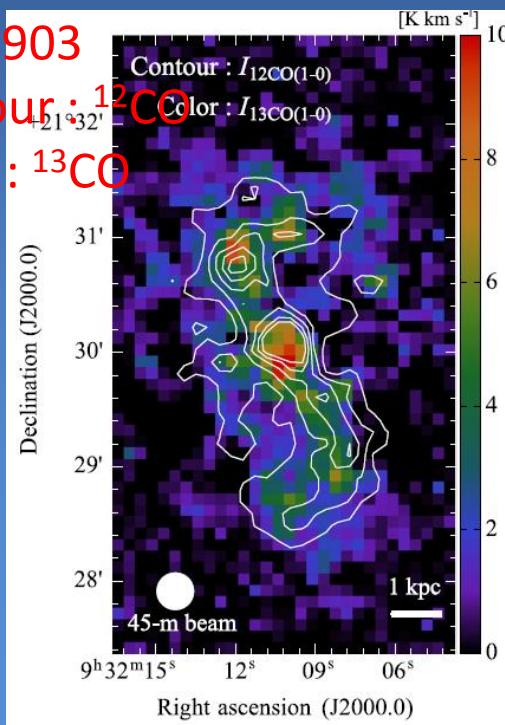
(CO Multi-line Imaging of Nearby Galaxies)

- Sorai (Hokkaido Univ.) et al.
- $^{12}\text{CO}(1\text{-}0)$, $^{13}\text{CO}(1\text{-}0)$, $\text{C}^{18}\text{O}(1\text{-}0)$ mapping of nearby galaxies (more than 200 galaxies)

NGC2903

Contour : ^{12}CO

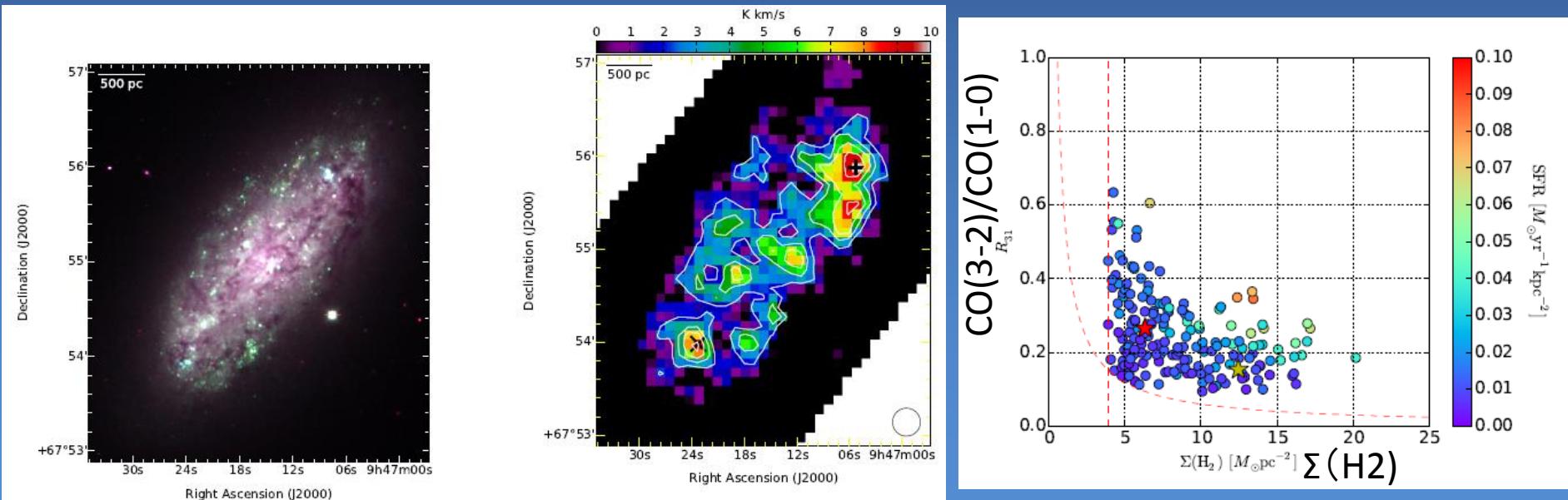
Color : ^{13}CO



Muraoka et al. (2016)

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- NGC 2976 (Hatakeyama et al. 2016, submitted to PASJ)
- ^{13}CO vs SFR (Sato et al.)
- GMCs in NGC 2976 (Yasuda et al.)



NGC 2976 (Hatakeyama et al. 2016)

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