

The ATCA 7-mm line survey of Sgr B2 as a guide to some ALMA Band 1 science

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Why an interferometric line survey at 7-mm ?

- See Maria Cunningham's talk
- Would like multiple molecules to characterise chemistry (line survey). Resolve chemically distinct / different excitation regions (interferometry)
- 7-mm = band 1 - gives complementary information to other bands for determining molecule excitation and depending on molecule (larger ?) and conditions (cooler ?) may be optimal band to use

e.g. McGuire et al 2016, Science, "Discovery of the Interstellar Chiral Molecule Propylene Oxide ($\text{CH}_3\text{CHCH}_2\text{O}$)" with GBT (PRIMOS) and Parkes, at 2-cm band (12.1, 12.8 and 14.0 GHz) – we tried and failed at 3-mm band as that was not the optimal choice !

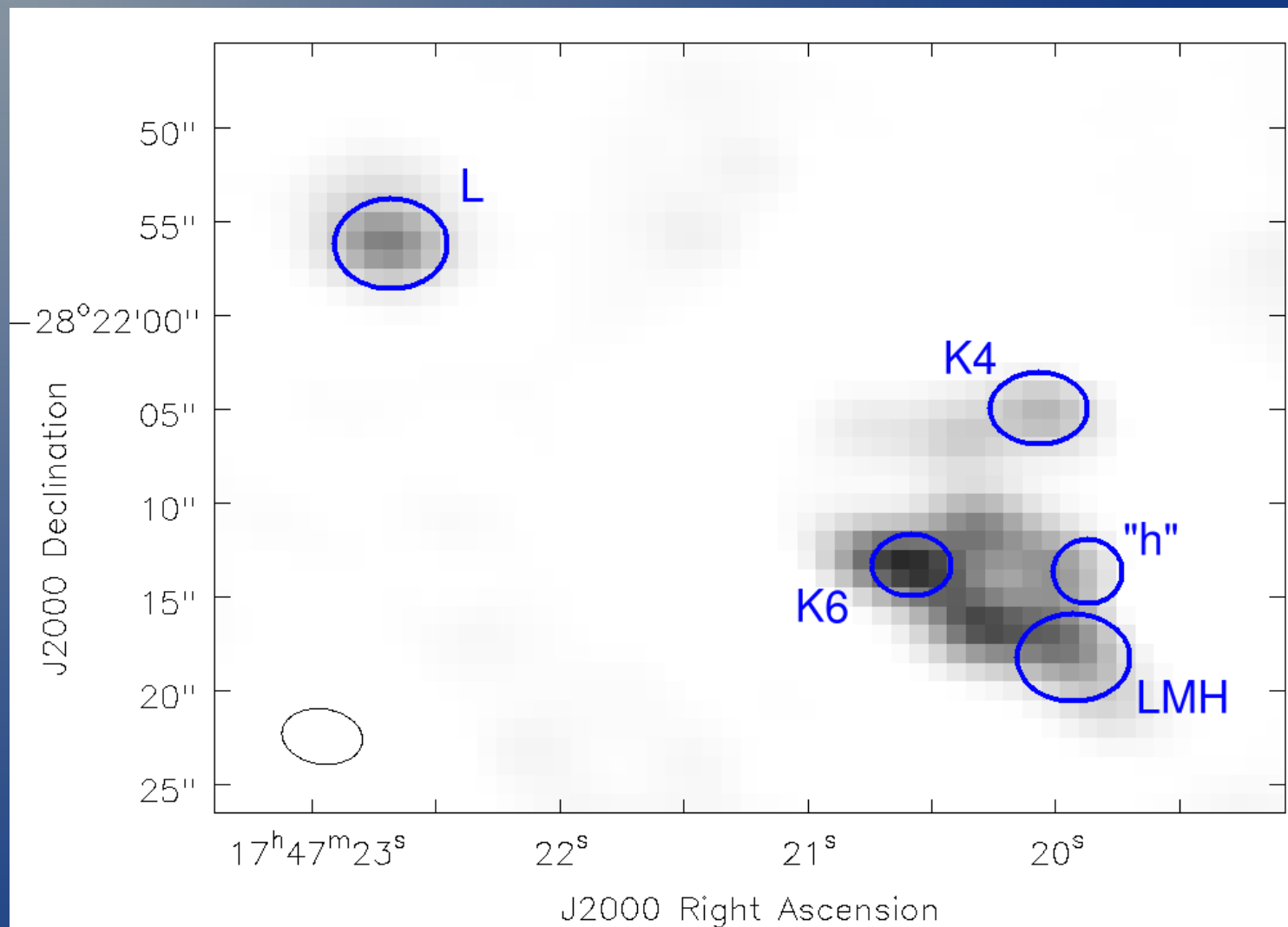
Why Sagittarius B2 N ?

- Very chemically-rich hot molecular core, LMH = Large Molecule Heimat
- Single-dish Green Bank Telescope PRIMOS survey 300 MHz to 46 GHz - A. Remijan et al.
- Australia Telescope Compact Array (ATCA) Broadband Backend (CABB) 2 x 2 GHz BW makes feasible (7-mm sweet spot)
- Note - before JVLA upgrade to wide band correlator, and Sgr B2 overhead for ATCA, rather than at low elevation for VLA
- Complements single-dish Mopra 22-m 7-mm Sgr B2 mapping (over few arcmin area)

ATCA observing parameters/limitations

- 5 x 22 m dishes used in array = **10 spacings**
- CABB broadband mode covers 2 GHz BUT with 2048 x 1 MHz channels, so **6 to 10 km/s** channels – marginal even given wide linewidths in Sgr B2
- 11 tunings of 2 GHz needed to cover 30 to 50 GHz (with a bit of overlap)
- 3 x 8 hour tracks, with 2 simultaneous IFs and time-shared so 4 tunings per track
- 1 in H75 array (shorter than requested from TAC, used for high frequency end) 2 in H214 giving resolution **3.4 to 13 arcsec**
- Low elevation site

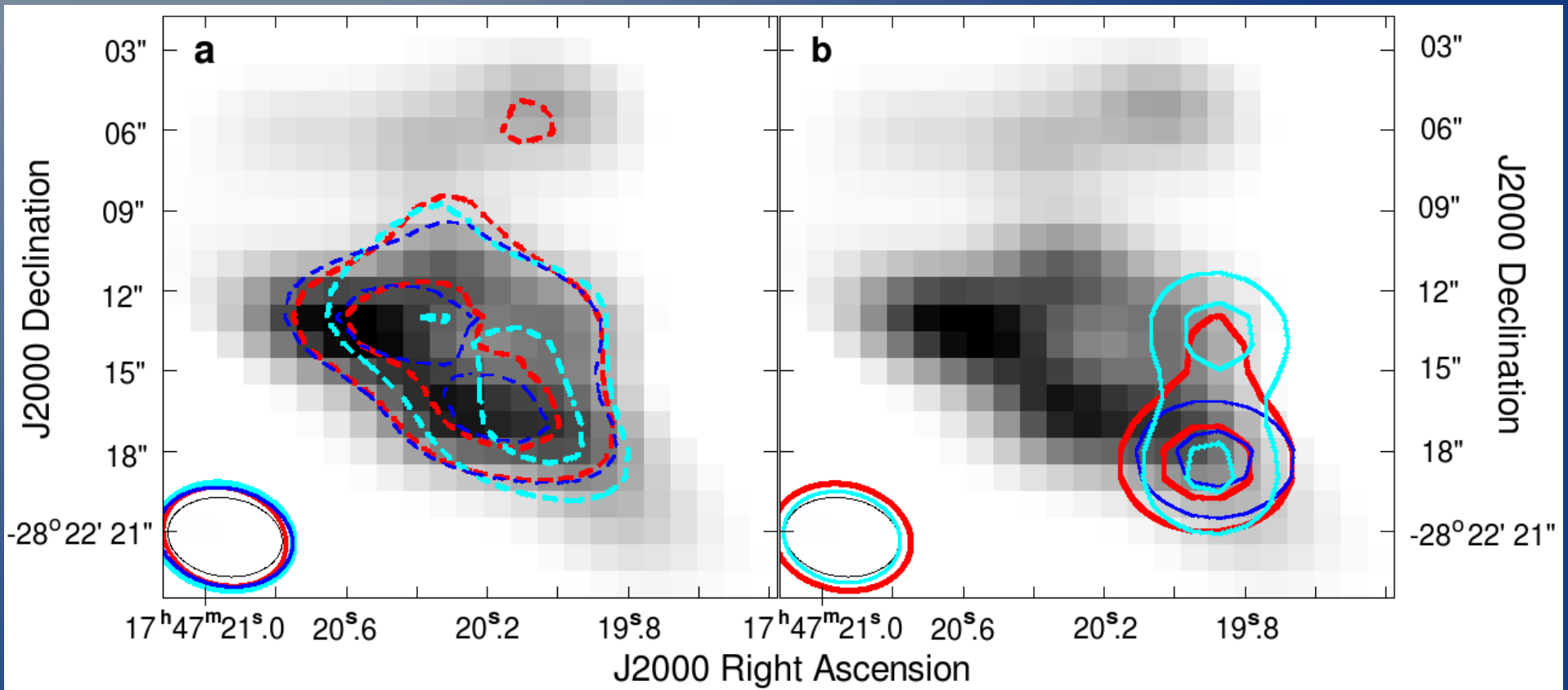
results - see Corby et al. 2015, MNRAS, 452, 3969
Sgr B2 N – hot molecular core, H II regions
greyscale = continuum (mostly free-free), ellipses = regions used



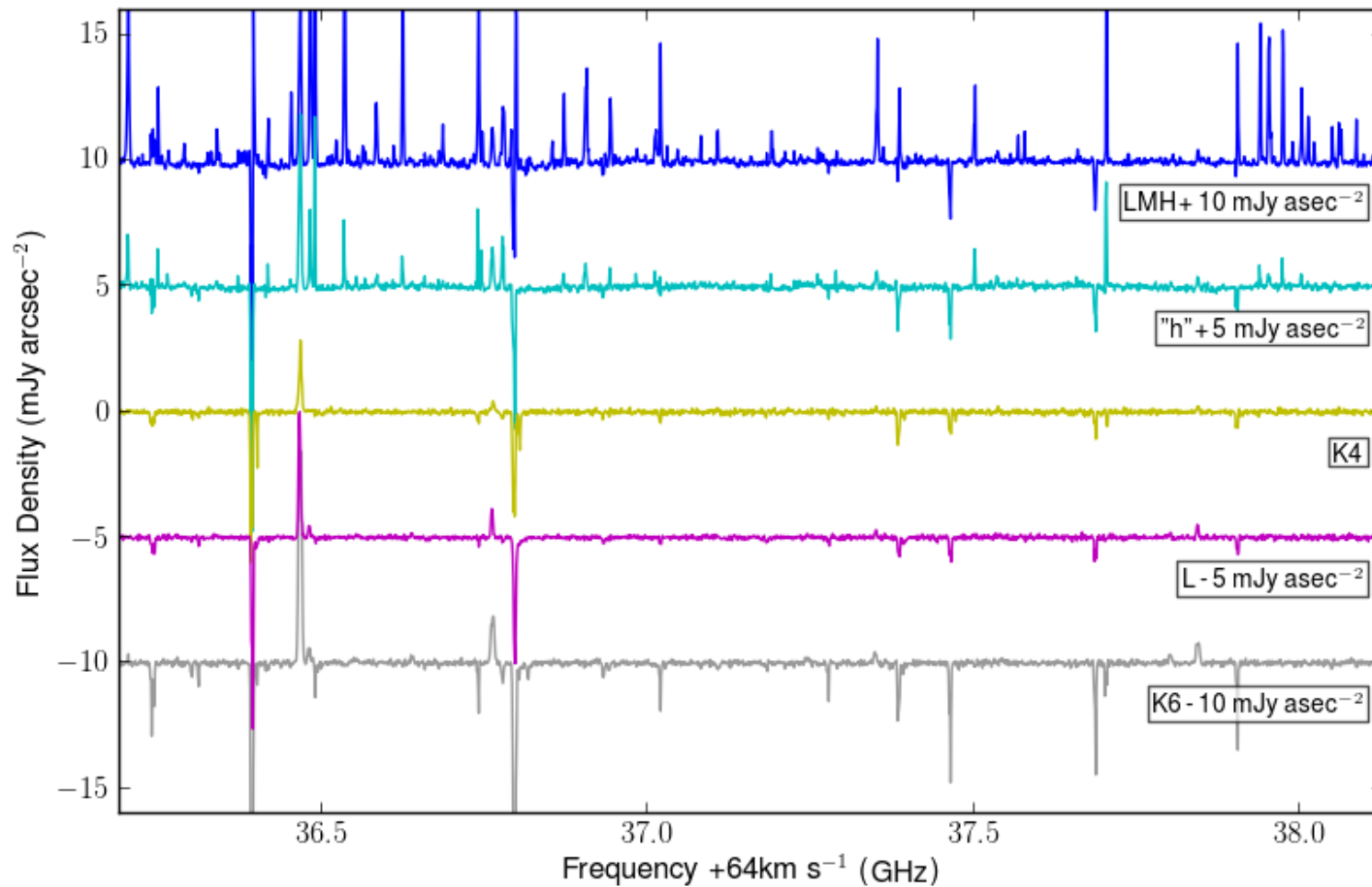
Resolving chemically distinct regions

a) CH_2CN , CH_3CHO , Z- CH_3CHNH in absorption at K6, K5

b) $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CN}$, NH_2D and SO_2 in LMH and h



LMH (Large Molecule Heimat) and h chemically very rich –
not fully identified/characterised
(Corby et al 2015 concentrated on K4, L and K6)



K6 identifications
(over 2 GHz section
ie 0.1 x band)

Fitting to ~3.5 sigma

level have:

LMH 1089

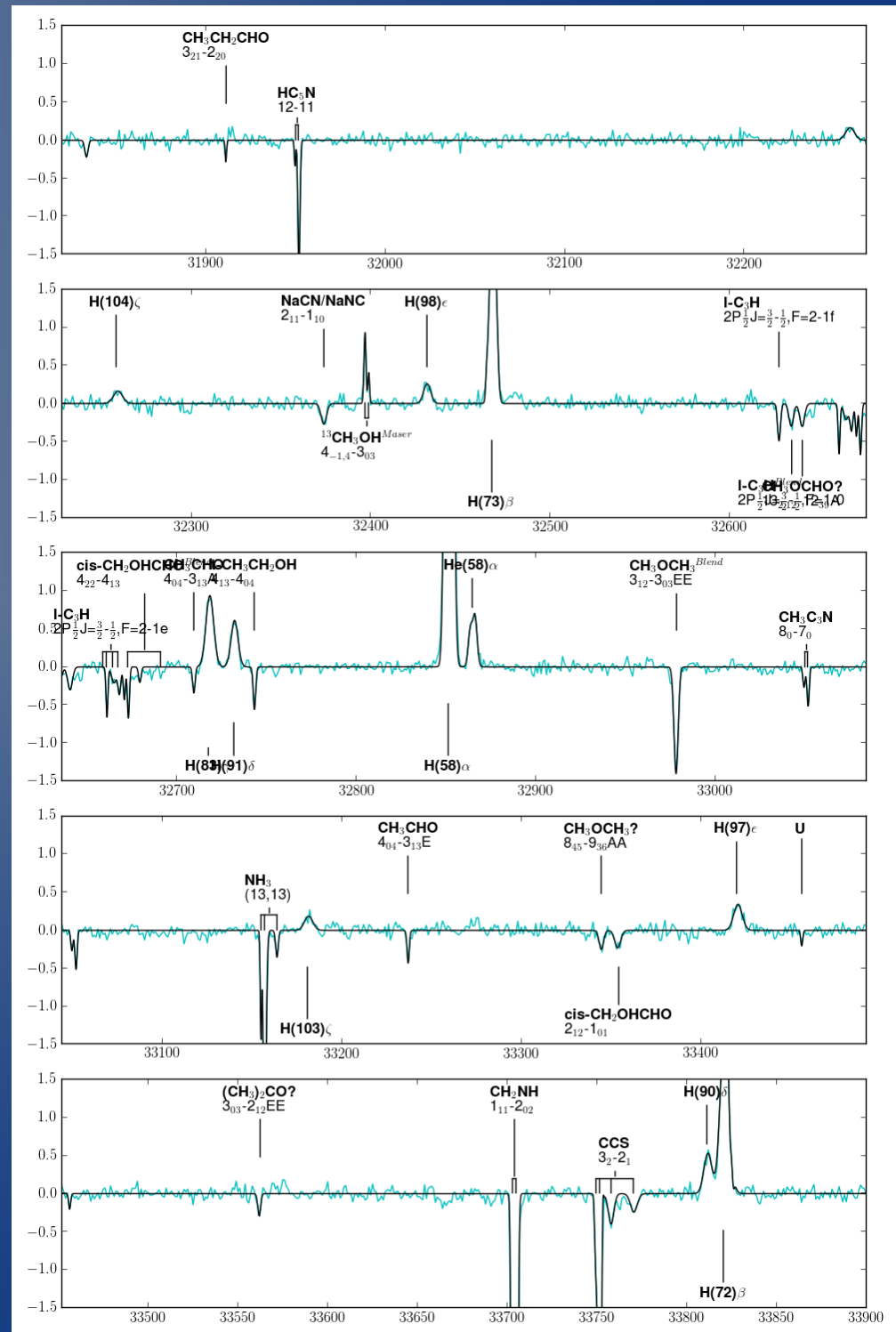
h 490

K6 618

K4 222

L 308

components



Molecules detected

- **CS Family:** CS, C³⁴S, C³³S, ¹³CS, ¹³C³⁴S, HCS⁺, H₂CS, CCS, CC³⁴S, OCS, CCCS
- **Silicon Species:** SiO, ²⁹SiO, ³⁰SiO, Si¹⁸O, SiN, SiS, SiC₂
- **Other Inorganic Molecules:** SO, PN, Na³⁷Cl (?)
- **Hydrocarbon Chains:** l-C₃H, l-C₃H⁺, C₄H
- **Ring Species:** c-C₃H₂, c-H¹³CCCH, c-HCC¹³CH, c-H₂C₃O, c-H₂COCH₂
- **Amines:** NH₃, NH₂D, CH₃NH₂ (?), NH₂CN, CH₃CONH₂, H₂NCO⁺ (?)
- **Isonitriles:** CH₃NC, HCCNC
- **Nitriles:** CCCN, HSCN, NaCN/NaNC, CH₂CN, CH₃CN, CH₃¹³CN, ¹³CH₃CN, CH₂CHCN, CH₃CH₂CN, HC₃N, HCC¹³CN, HC¹³CCN, H¹³CCCN, HC₅N, CH₃C₃N
- **Imines:** CH₂NH, E-CH₃CHNH, Z-CH₃CHNH, HNCHCN
- **Aldehydes:** H₂CO, H₂COH⁺, CH₃CHO, NH₂CHO, NH₂¹³CHO, CH₃OCHO, cis-CH₂OHCHO, t-CH₂CHCHO, CH₃CH₂CHO
- **Alcohols:** CH₃OH, ¹³CH₃OH, t-CH₃CH₂OH, g'Ga-(CH₂OH)₂
- **Other Oxynated Species:** HNCO, t-HCOOH, H₂CCO, CH₃OCH₃, (CH₃)₂CO
- **Other Organic Species:** CH₃SH

FITS cubes, spectra and python scripts are public (thanks again to Joanna Corby)

- Final FITS cubes (after ATCA reduction with miriad, extra baseline fitting) public via CDS
<ftp://cdsarc.u-strasbg.fr/pub/cats/J/MNRAS/452/3969/fits/>
- Spectra and some line-fitting and line-identification python scripts public via github
<https://github.com/jfc2113/MicrowaveLineFitter>
- Policy is that data are shared in a useful form for others to do more science (e.g. maybe identify new molecules) particularly given value of combining line data from different bands

ALMA band 1 – do even better

- N x 12-m antennas ($N \sim 15$ to $N > 40$)
- Also 7-m ACA and 12-m TP for short spacings
- Longer baselines to get ~ 1 arcsec resolution
- Excellent site at 7-mm for gain calibration (phase and amplitude)
- Flexible correlator (tradeoffs of frequency coverage, spectral resolution and polarisation) with spectral scan mode observing
- We know what ALMA can do here - compare existing Sgr B2 line surveys in bands 3 and 5 (3-mm and 1.5-mm)

ALMA (band 3) 3-mm Sgr B2 N

- Project : Expanding the frontiers of chemical complexity with ALMA, P.I.: A. Belloche.
- 84.1 to 114.4 GHz in 5 setups each with 4 windows of 1.875 GHz, 1.3 to 1.7 km/s (after smoothing from 0.24 MHz), ~ 2 arcsec resolution
- Belloche et al., 2016, A&A, 587, 91 – deuterated complex molecules
- Muller et al., 2016, A&A, 587, 92 – alkanethiols and alkanols

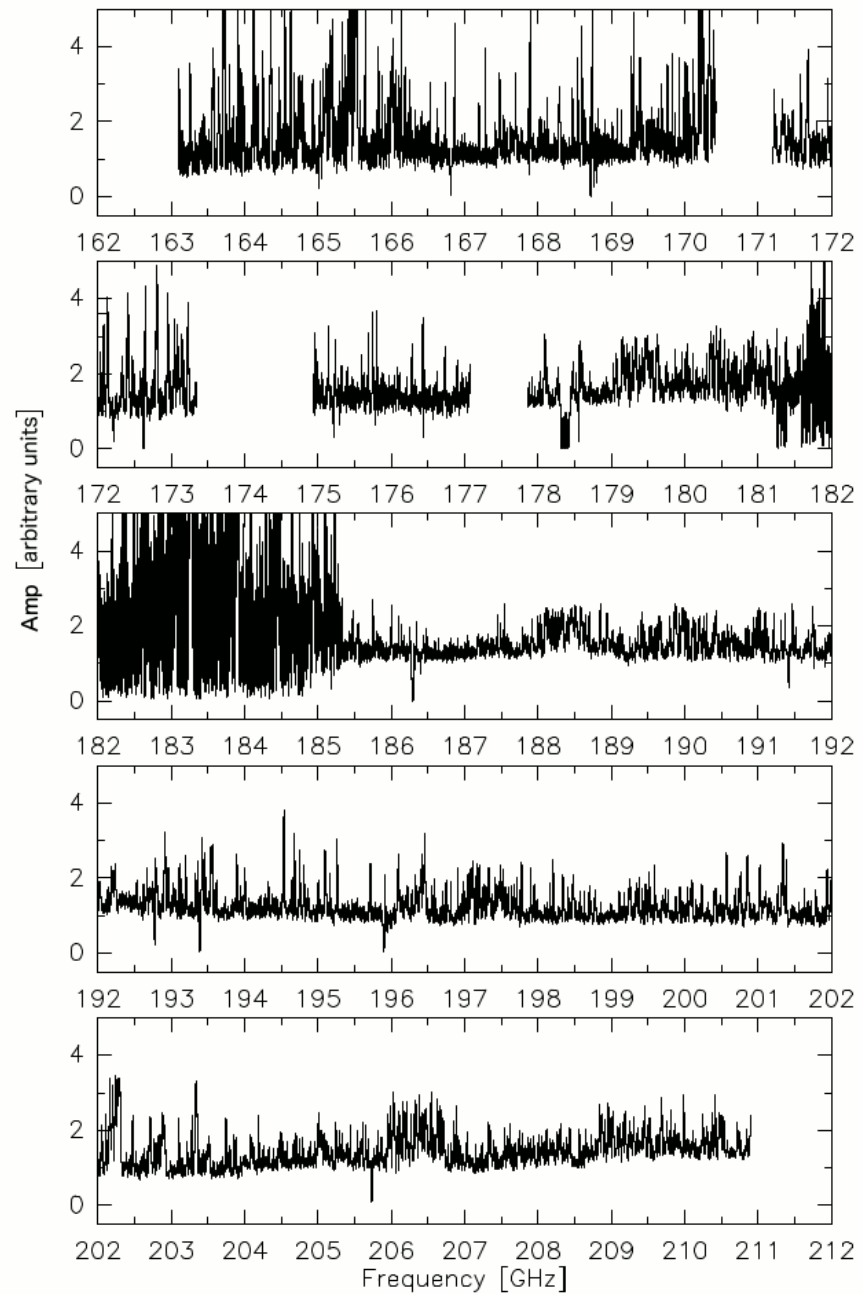
Last paragraph of Muller et al. 2016

“In addition, more sensitive observations of Sgr B2(N), Orion KL, or other sources with **ALMA** or other interferometers are required to establish whether and possibly in what quantities ethanethiol, normal-propanol, and iso-propanol are present in the ISM. Such observations may be **more promising at wavelengths longer than 3 mm** for the first two molecules.”

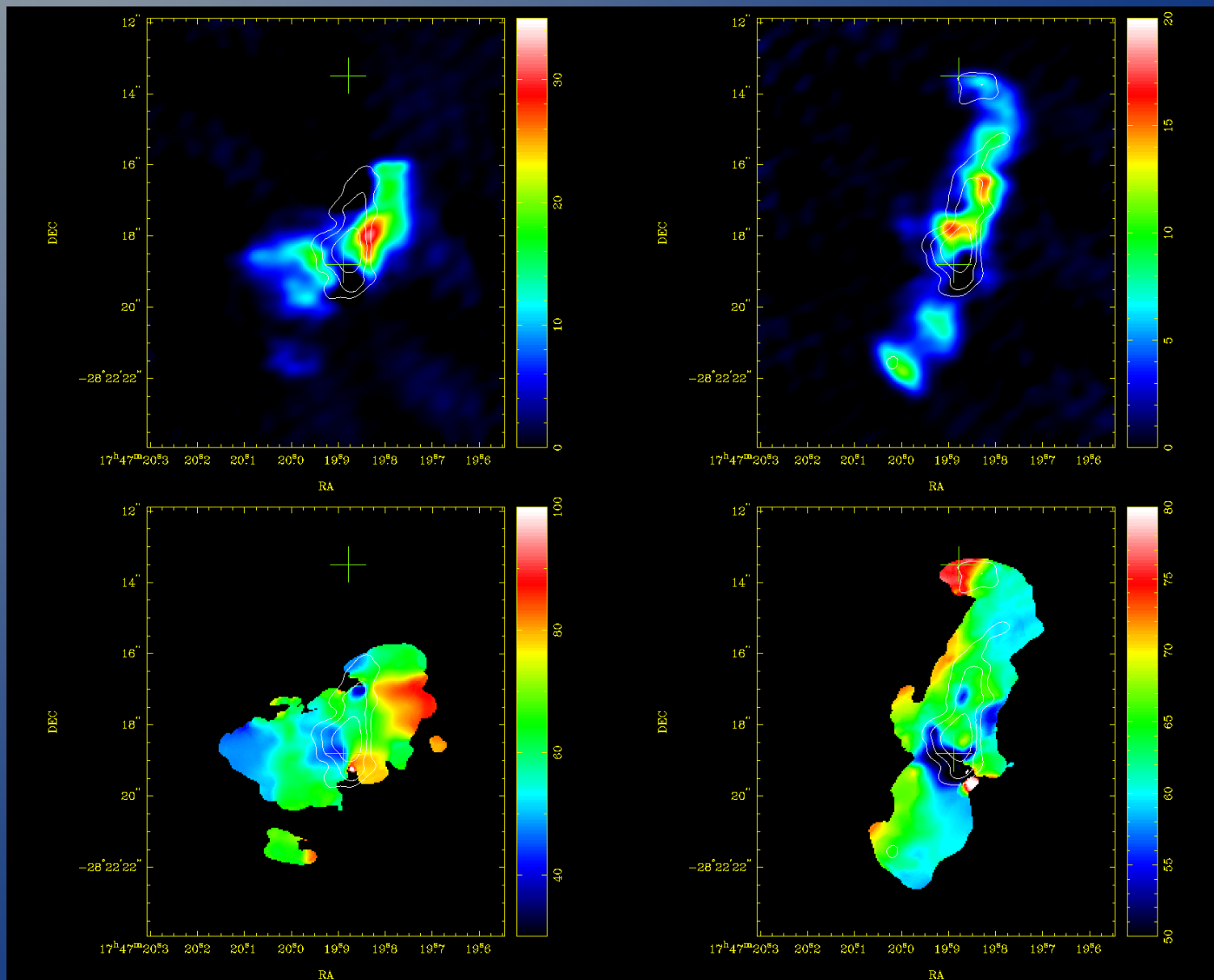
ALMA band 5 (~1.5-mm) Sgr B2 N

- Recently released science verification data
- 13 tunings, from 163 to 211 GHz in steps of 4 GHz, each with 4 windows, 0.488 MHz resolution
- Note that as verification data, taken with a range of antenna configurations (may be missing extended flux) and as very crowded spectra, are NOT continuum subtracted

Sgr B2 ALMA band 5 spectrum (short spacings)



ALMA Band 5 data (~ 165 GHz) – integrated emission (top) and velocity (bottom), HC_3N (left) and CH_3OH (right)



Conclusions

- Lots of potential for line surveys with ALMA band 1
- Consider added value of combining data from multiple bands
- Not just Sgr B2 N, of course, this just used as example here of a SFR
- e.g. nearby starburst galaxies – to compare with Central Molecular Zone of our Galaxy (Mopra 22-m 7-mm and 3-mm etc) and more distant starbursts at high redshift