

# Environmental Dependence of [CII] Emission in Ringed Galaxy NGC 7331

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# Why study [CII]?

- Often the brightest observed emission line
- Detectable at high-z by ALMA
- Important PDR cooling line
- Potential SFR tracer, ISM Diagnostic

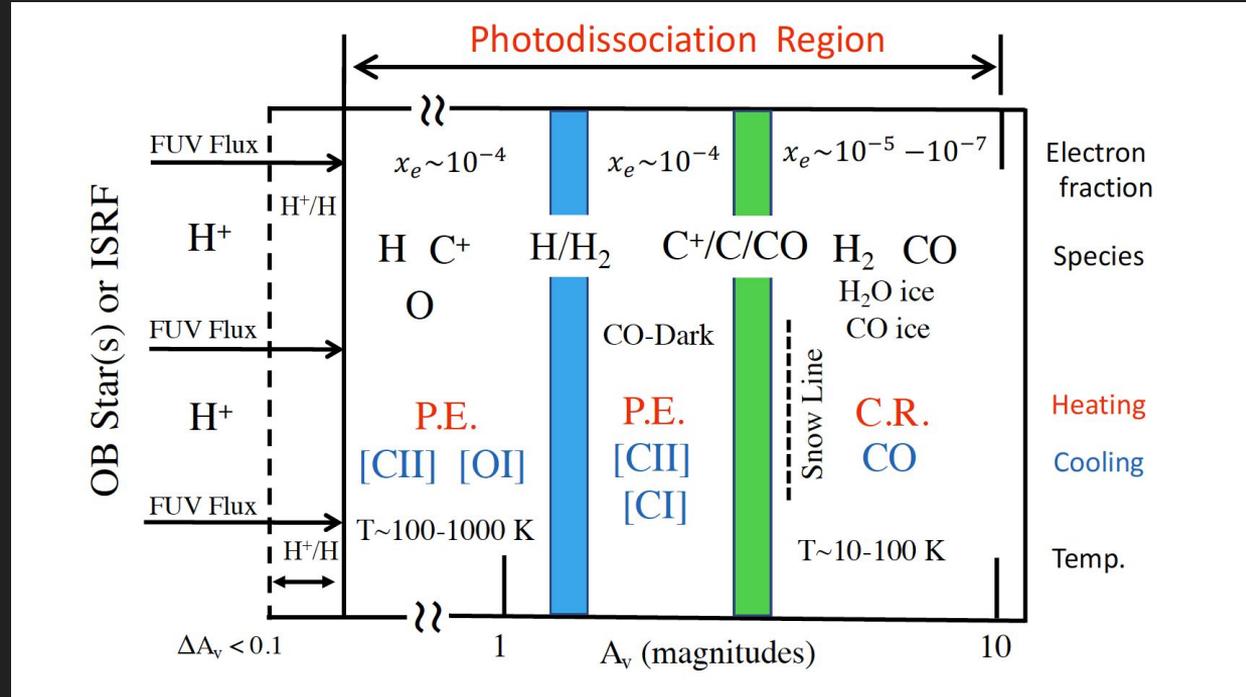


Image Credit: Wolfire, Vallini, & Chevance 2022

# Unanswered questions surrounding [CII]

- Multiphase origins complicates [CII] observations
- [CII] deficit is observed in a variety of sources
  - Problematic for future use of [CII] as a SFR indicator, especially in high-z galaxies

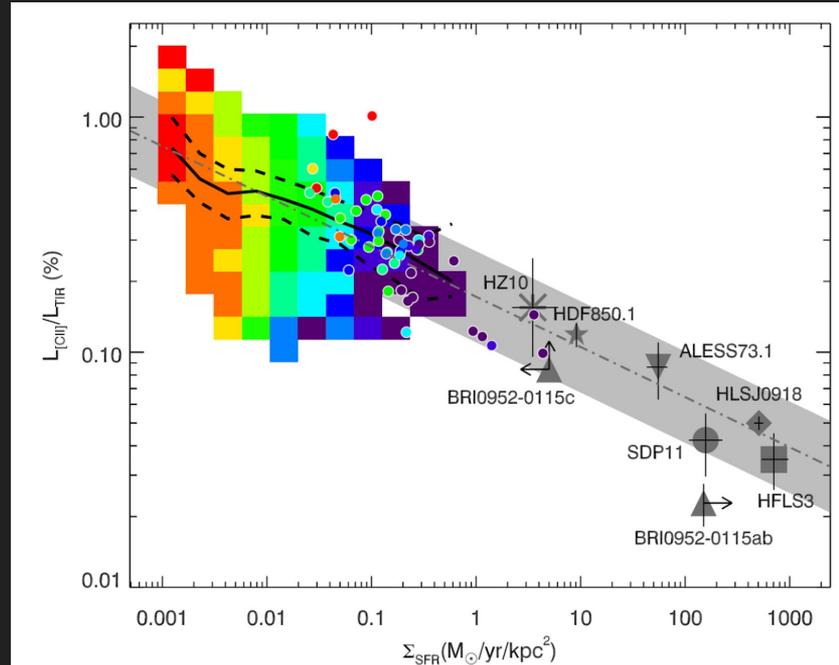


Image Credit: Smith+2017

# Why NGC 7331?

- Nearby ( $D \sim 14$  Mpc), highly-inclined ( $i \sim 72^\circ$ ) galaxy
- Milky Way analog
- Molecular ring
- Wide range of archival data

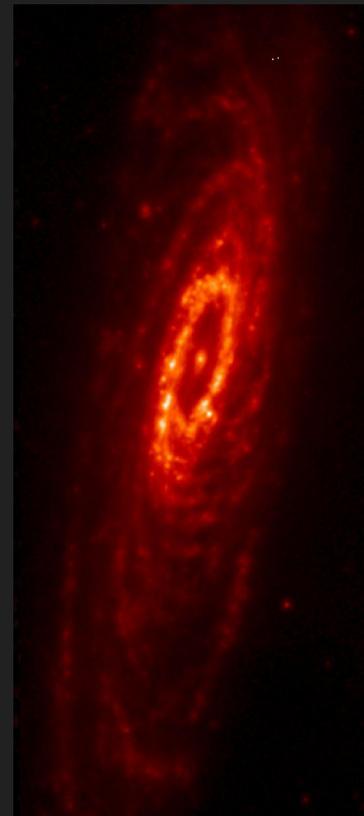


# New FIFI-LS [CII] Map

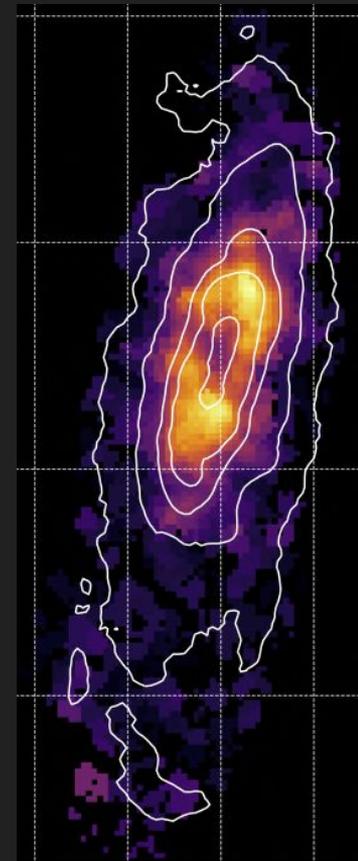
- Obtained during Cycle 7
- 13 AORs, covering much of the disk
- Molecular ring is clearly visible



Optical  
(SDSS)



Infrared  
*Spitzer*  
3.6  $\mu\text{m}$

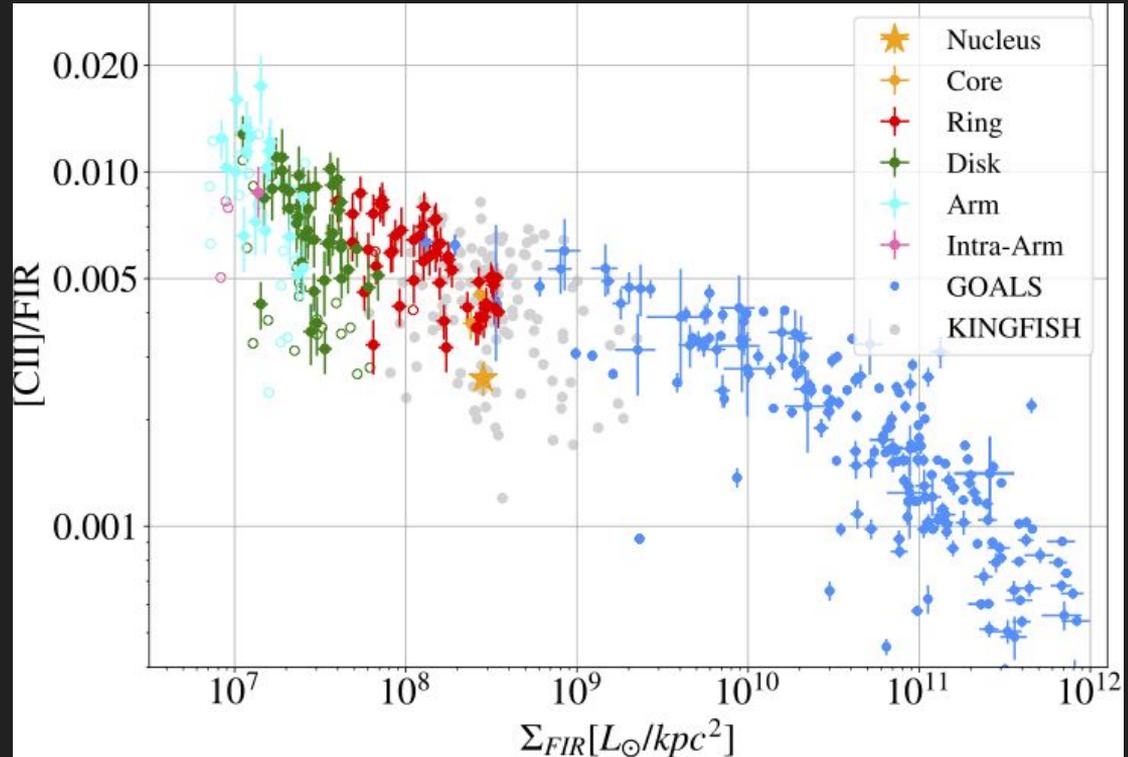


FIFI-LS  
[CII] 158



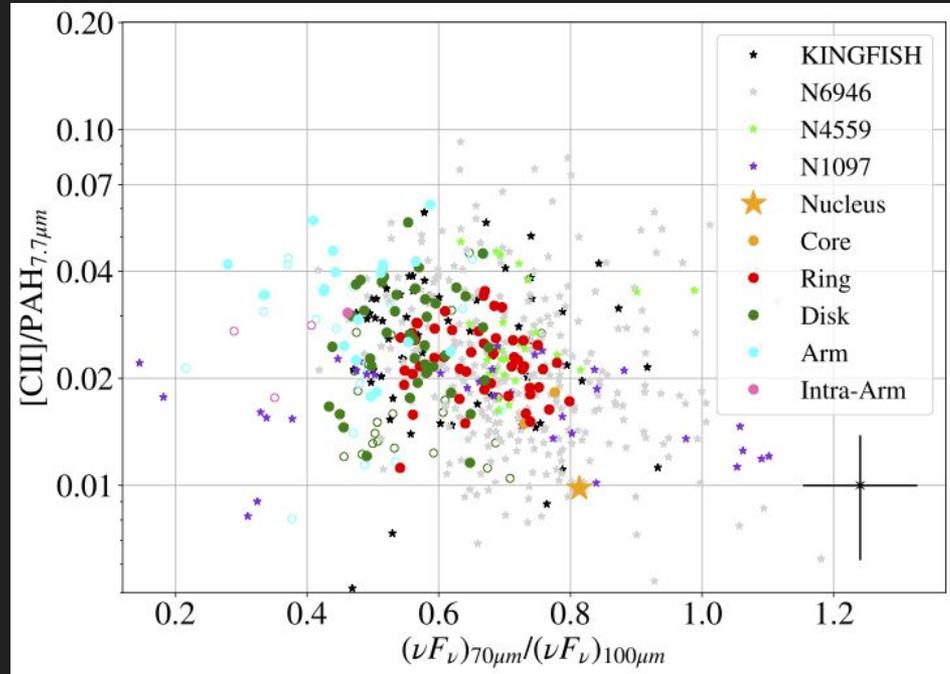
# Local extension of the [CII] deficit

- [CII] deficit is a frequently cited issue with using [CII] as SFR indicator
- Adding data from NGC 7331 to plots of [CII]/FIR shows clear extension from ULIRGS to NGC 7331's quiescent disk



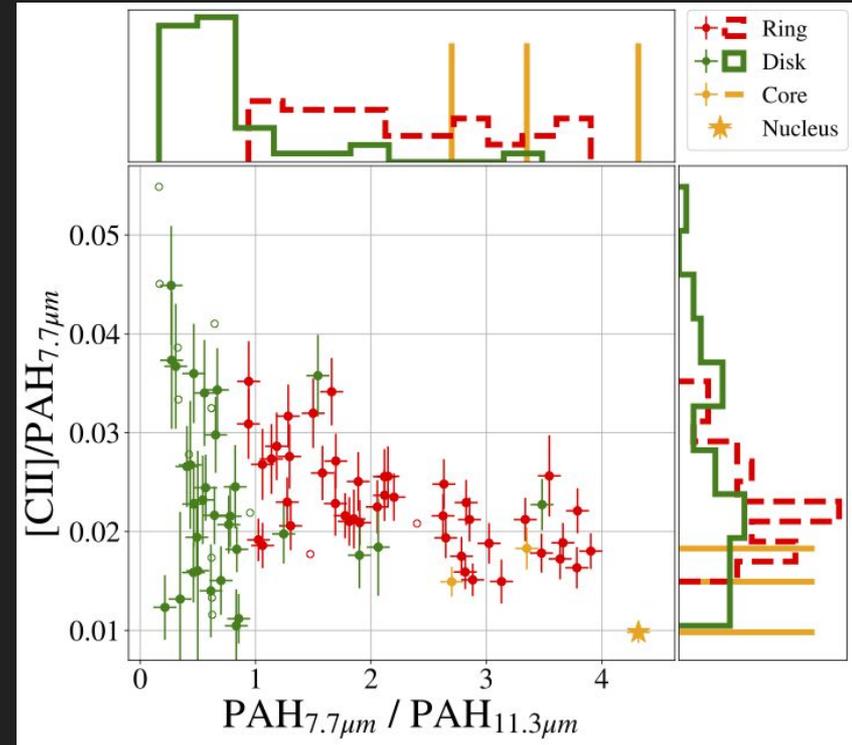
# [CII] and PAH emissions

- Potential measurement of photoelectric heating efficiency
- PAH measured by subtracting SED modelled stellar continuum from IRAC 8.0 micron photometry
- See slight deficit, but less than observed in [CII]/FIR



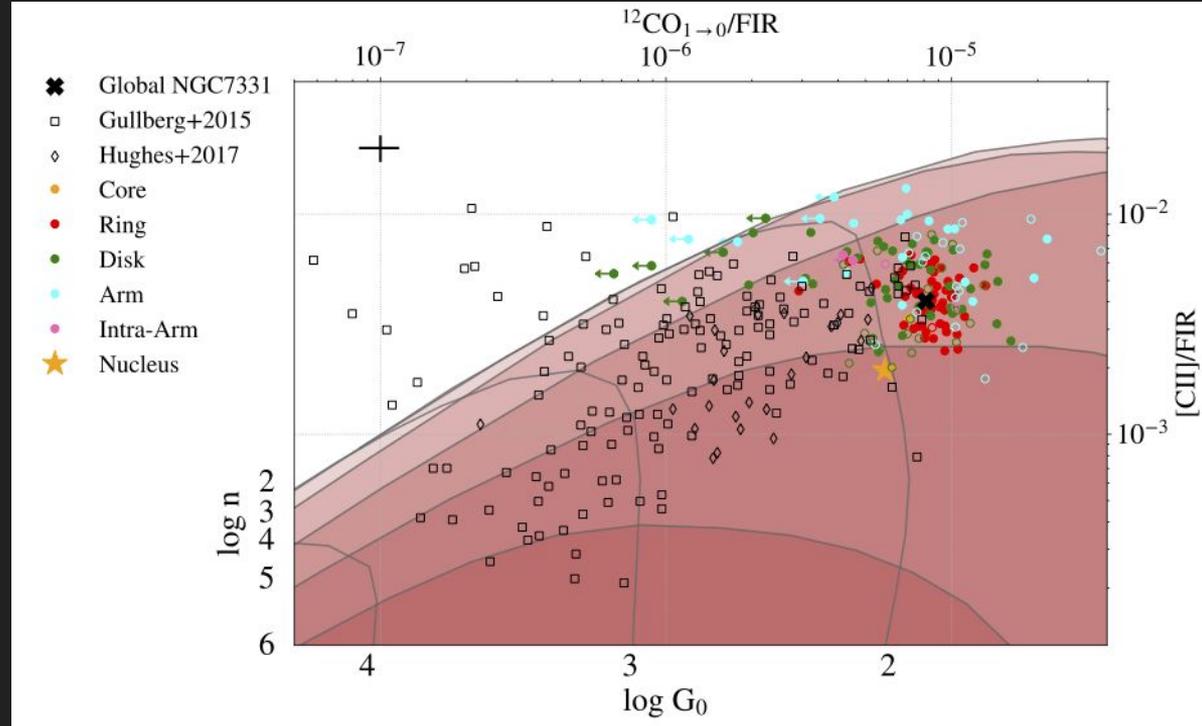
# [CII] and PAH emissions

- Also compare to PAH charge
- 7.7/11.3 micron feature ratio is considered an indicator of grain charge
- Increased grain charge shows slight decrease trend in [CII]/PAH
- Clear differences in environments



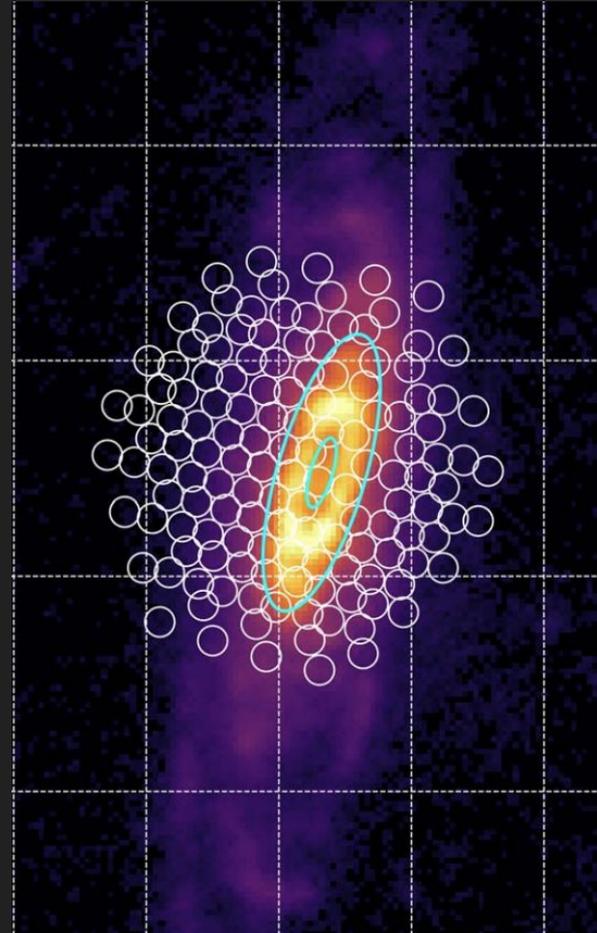
# Comparisons to CO

- Use HERACLES CO map to compare [CII] and CO
- See areas with [CII] emission but no CO emission
  - Potentially CO-dark molecular gas?



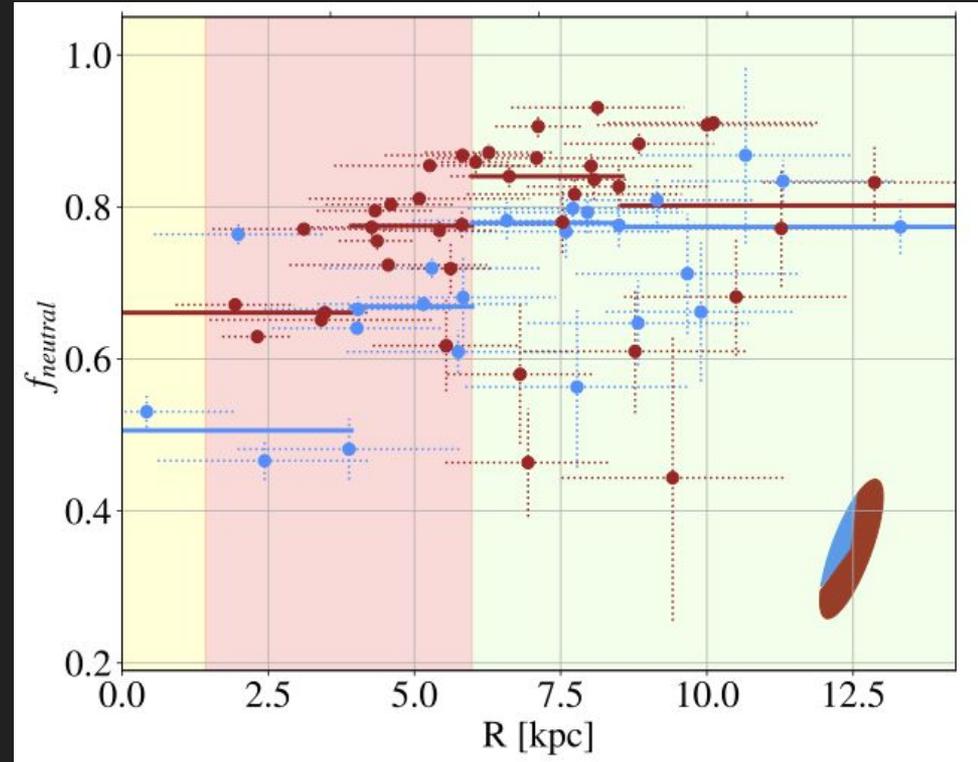
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- Azimuthal and radial dependencies suggest environmental differences in [CII] origin location

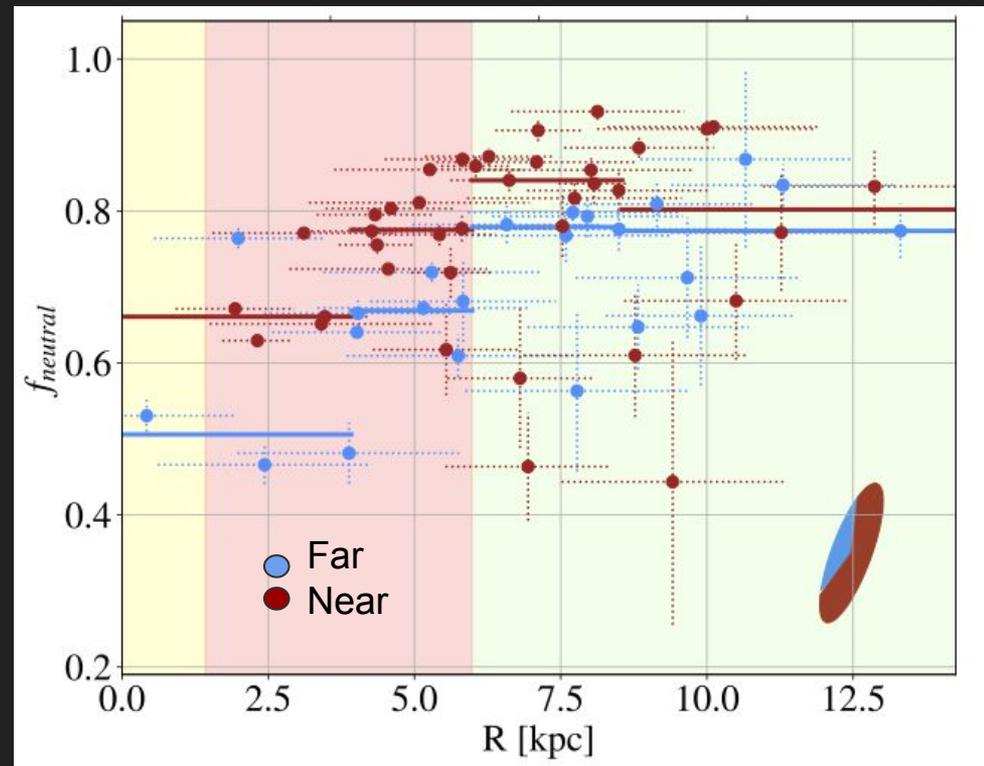
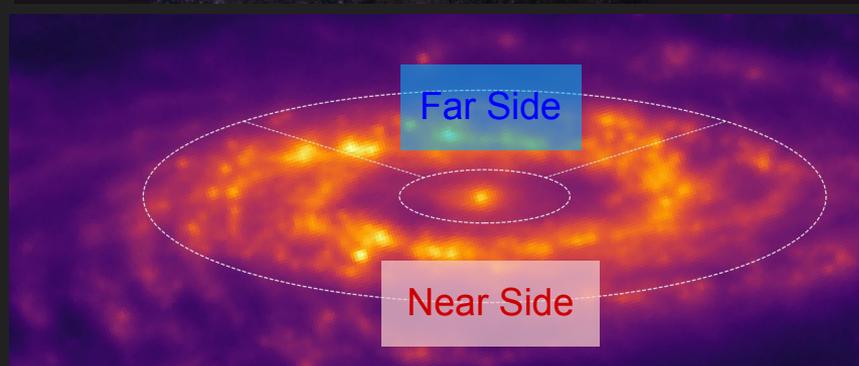
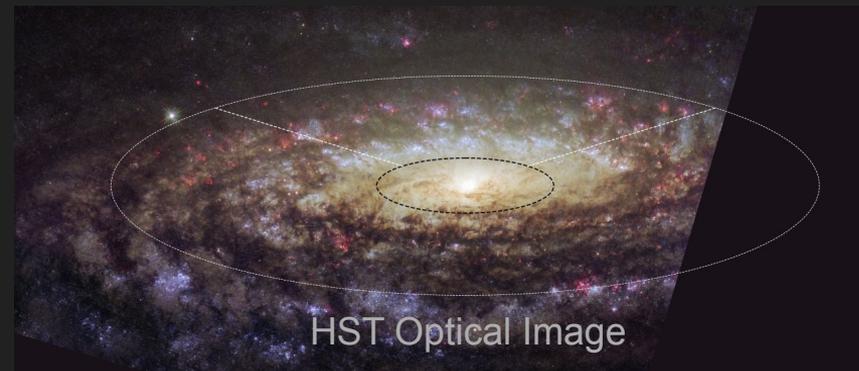


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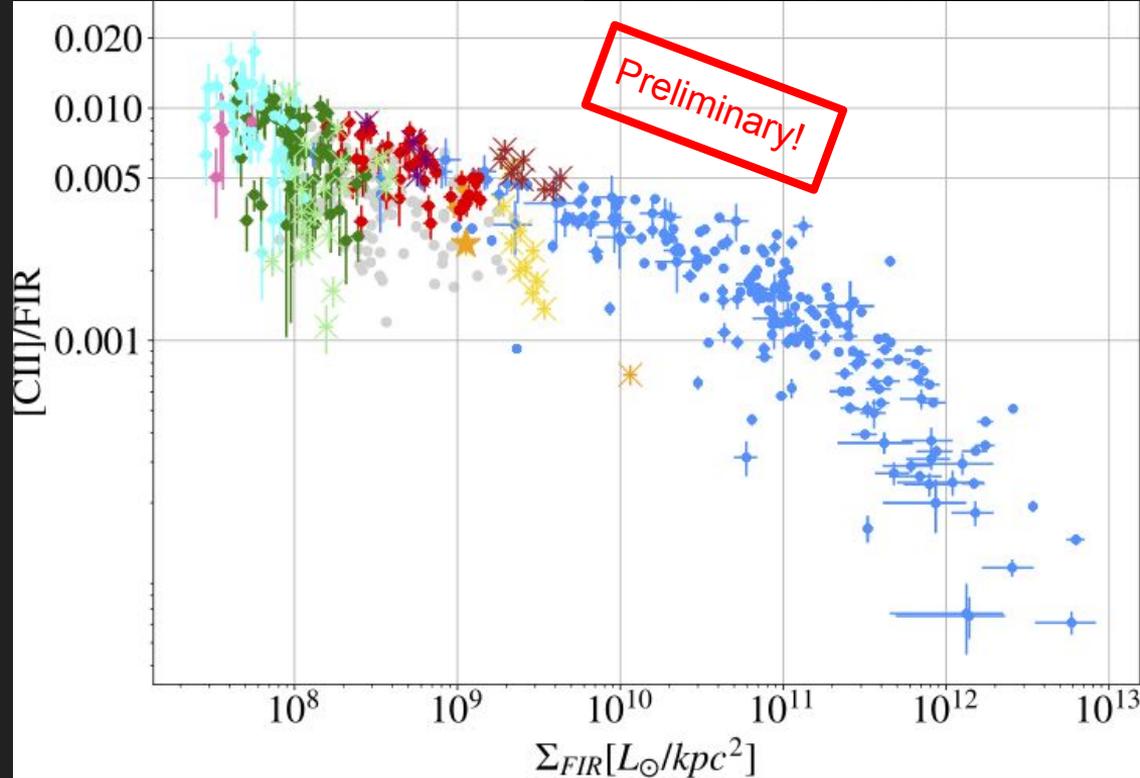
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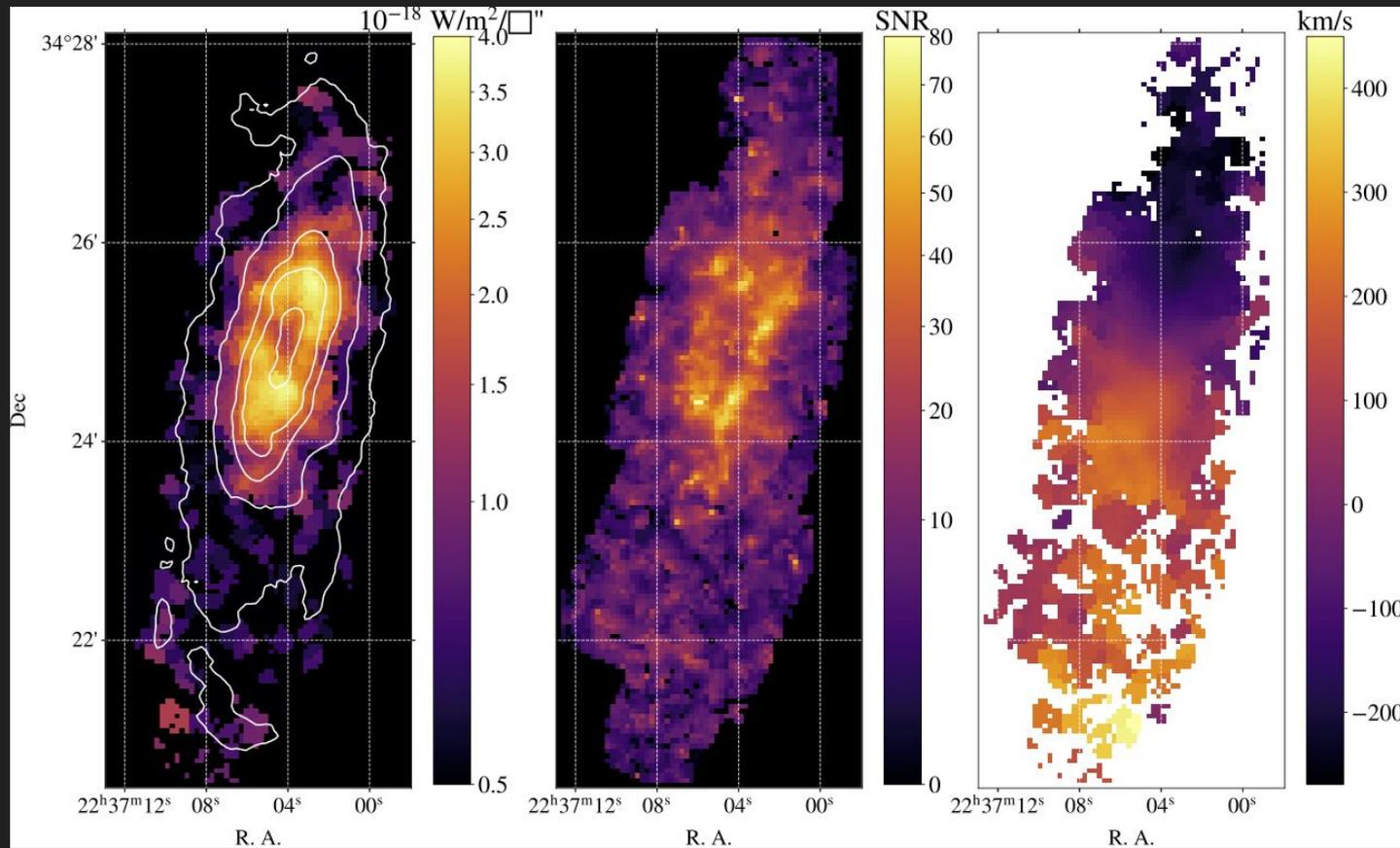
NGC 4736, Image Credit: R. Jay GaBany

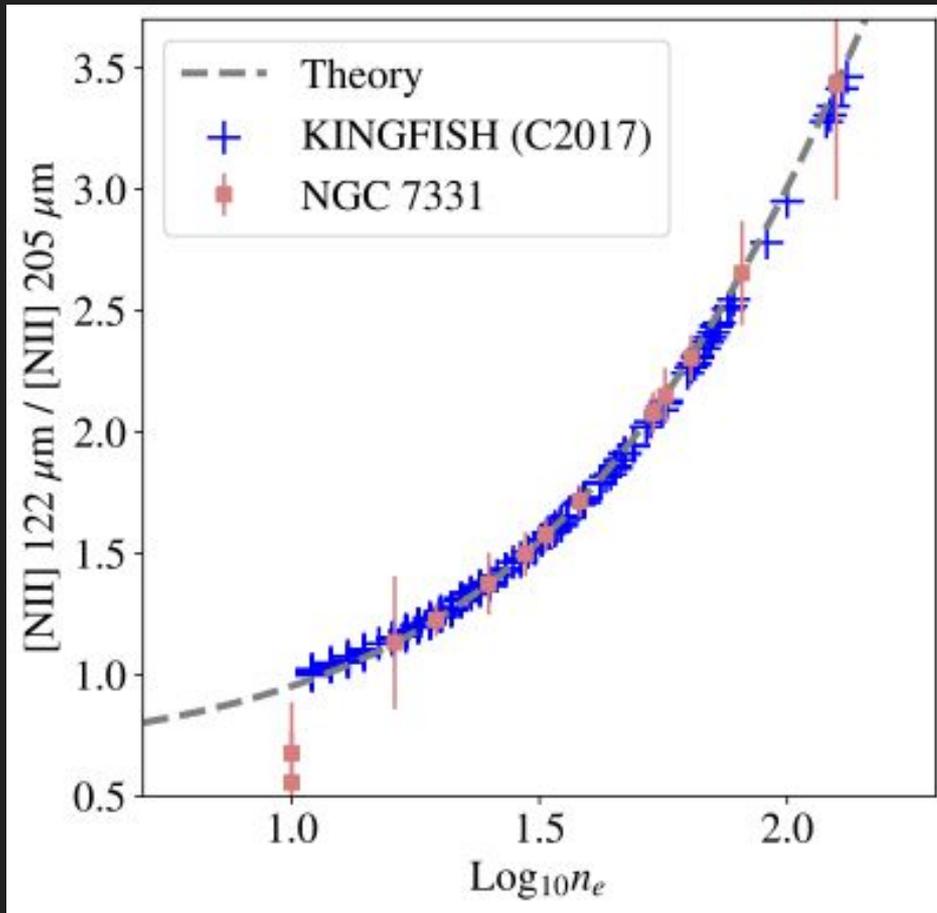
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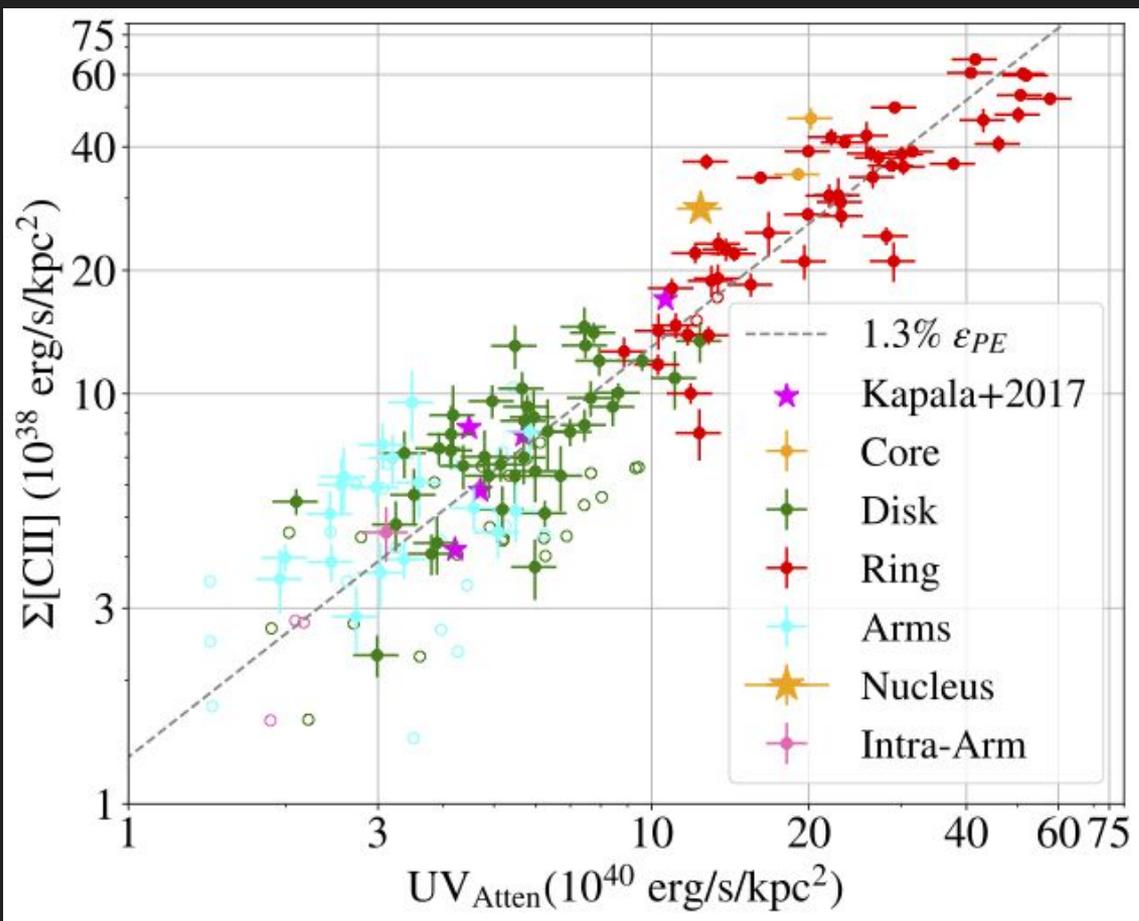
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# ADDITIONAL SLIDES







# Comparison with PACS data

- A strip of NGC 7331 has been previously observed by PACS

