

# Spectroscopy of AGB and CEMP stars with ESO data

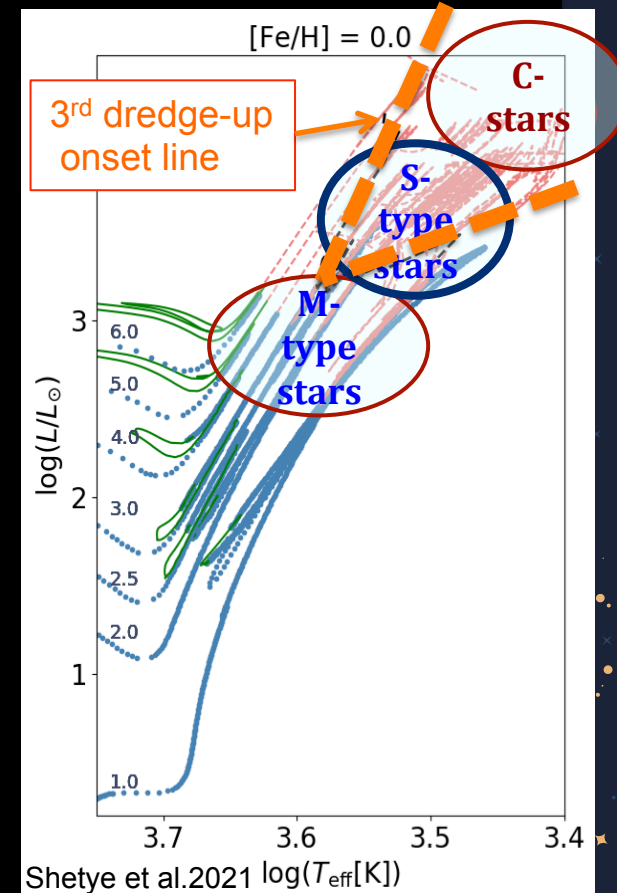
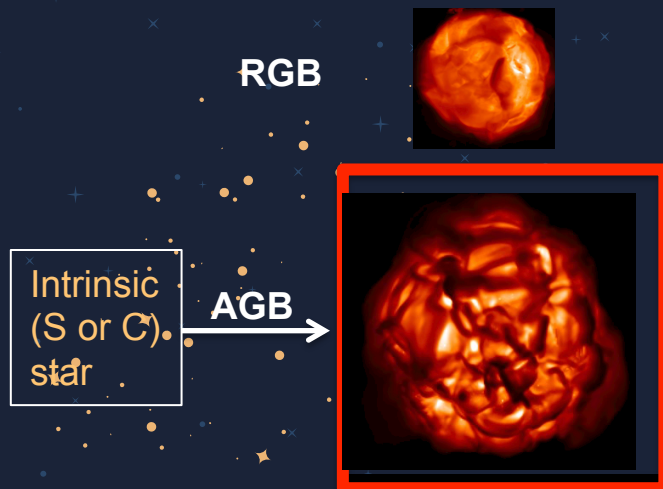
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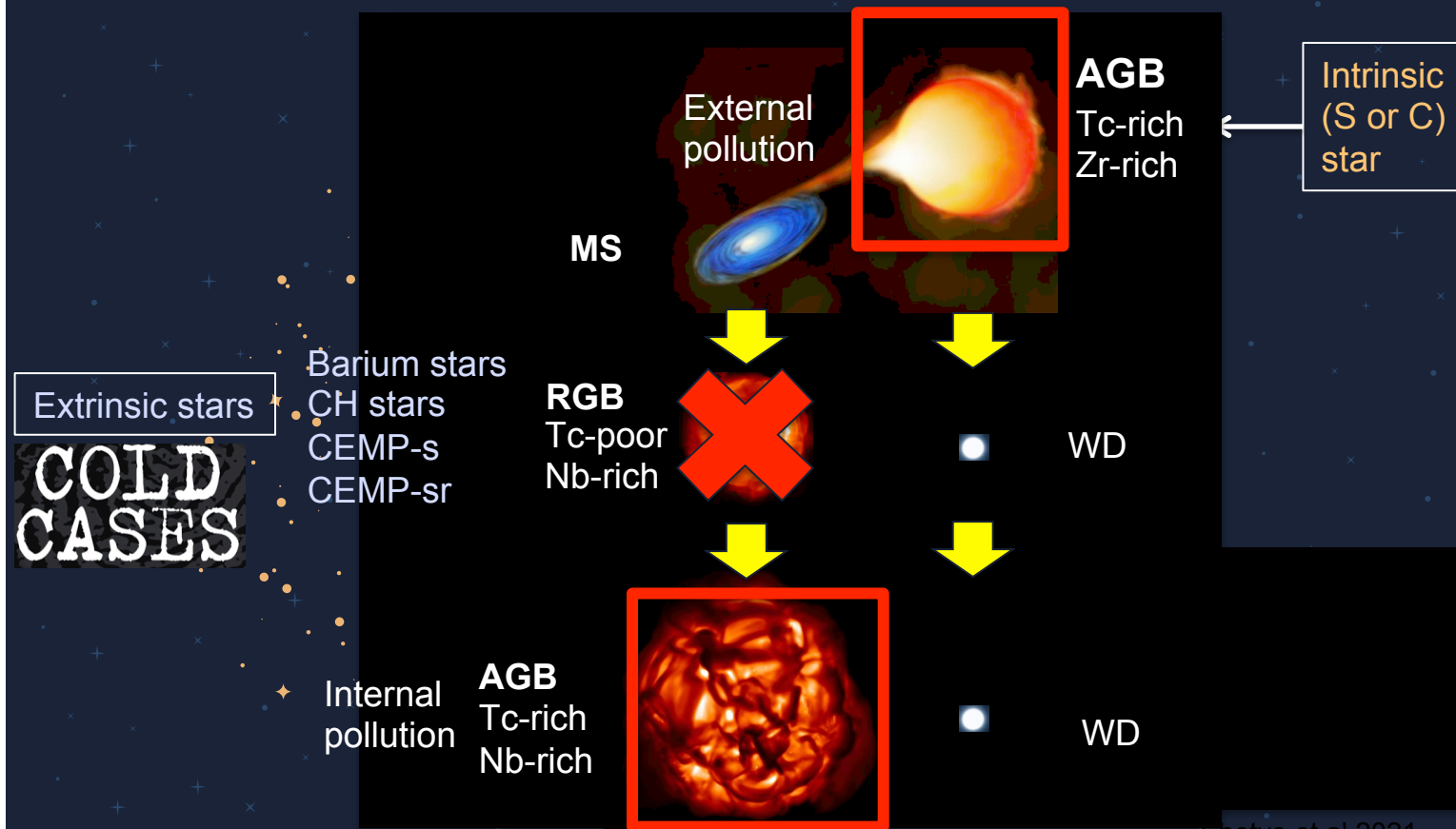
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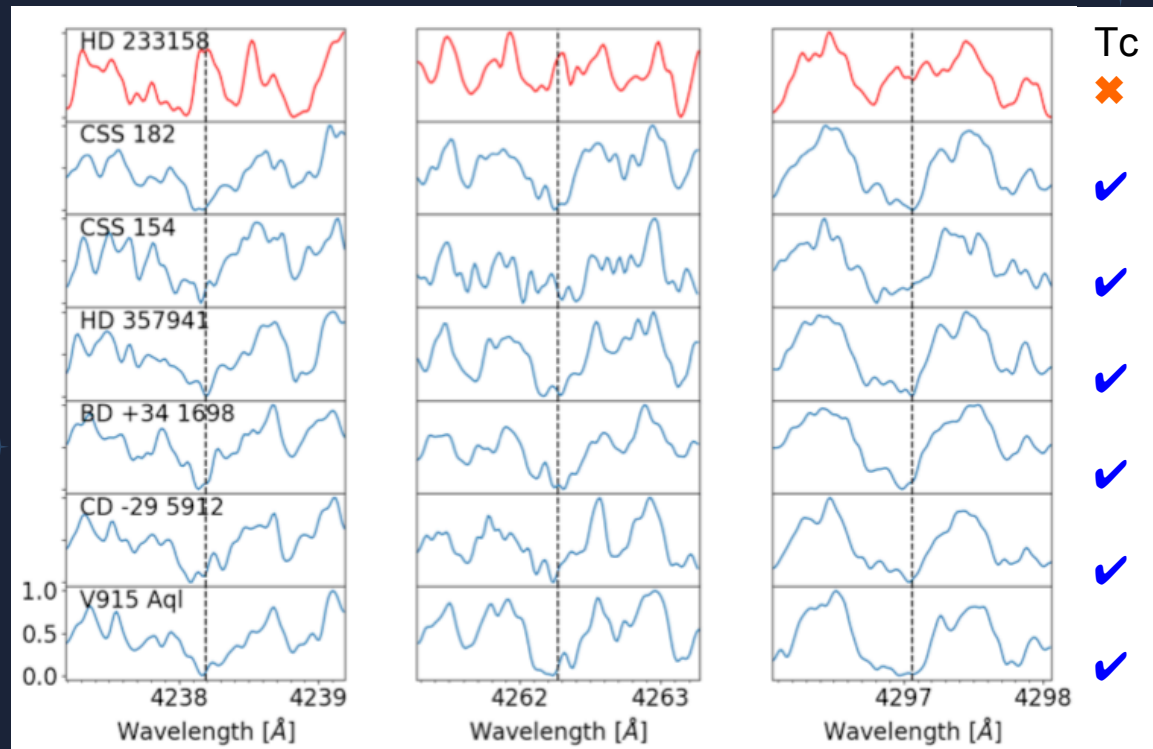
Tc I searched in **TP-AGB stars** and detected (as expected):

Tc I: 3 resonance lines 4238, 4262, 4297Å

Extrinsic (no-Tc) star  
shown for comparison

In TP-AGB  
S stars

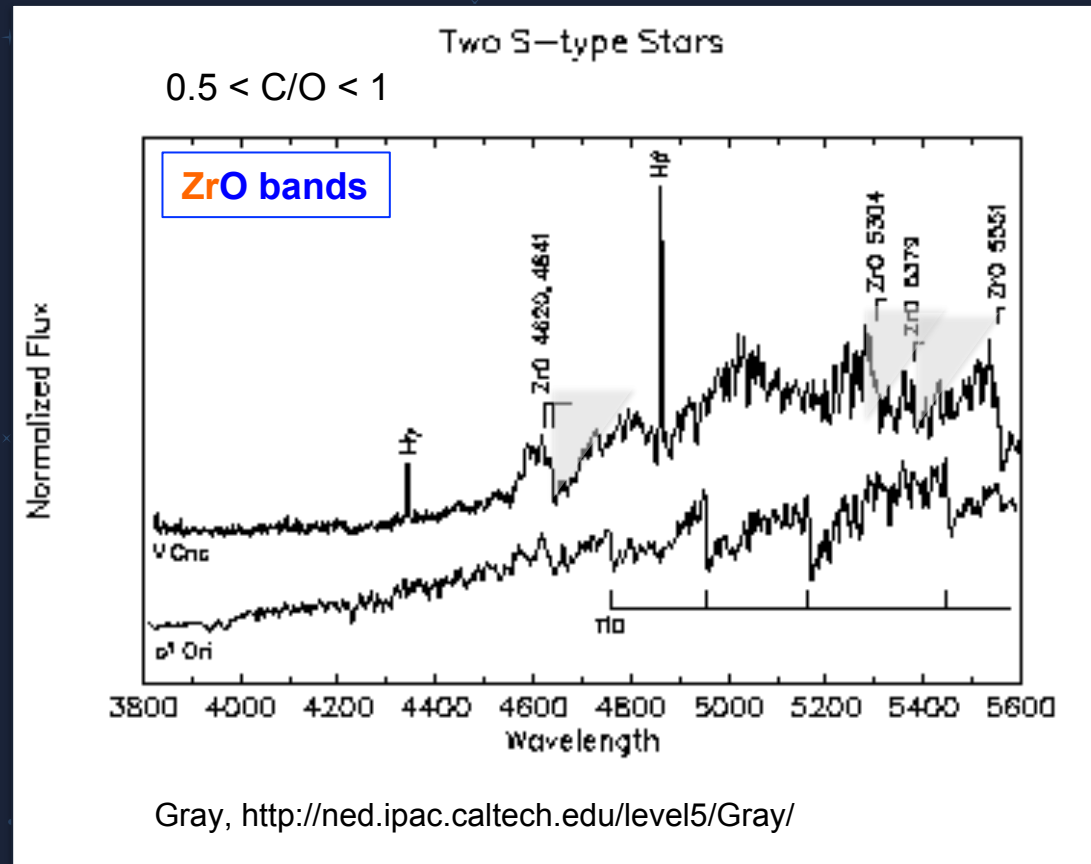
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# s-process along the AGB

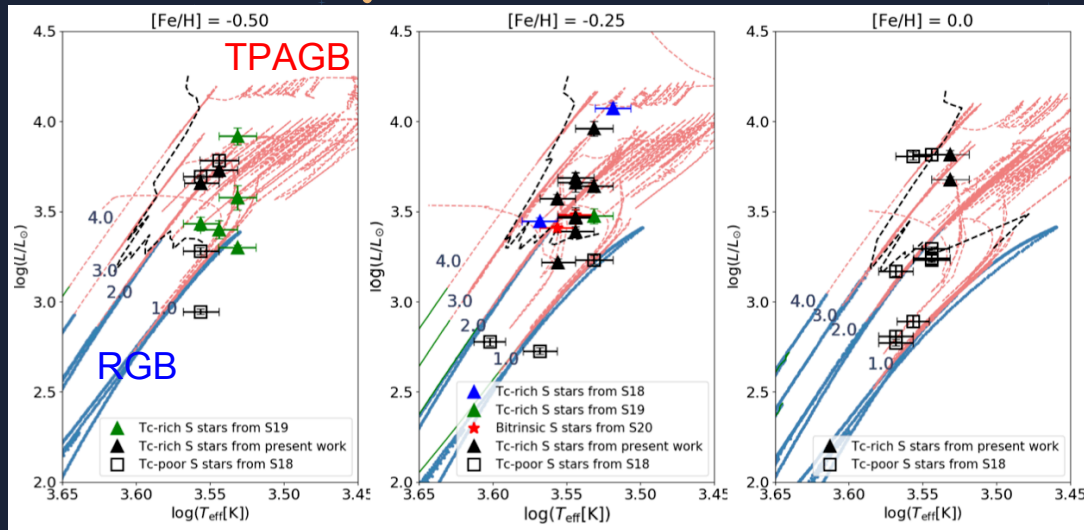
S stars (intrinsic)



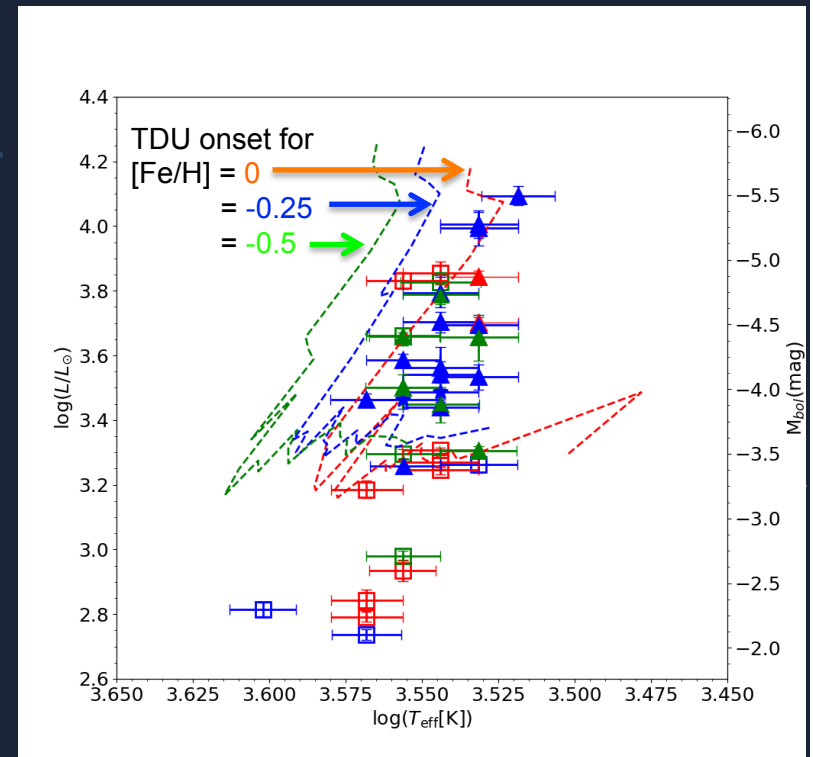
# s-process along the AGB

## S stars (intrinsic)

- HR diagram (Gaia eDR3)
- Good agreement between Tc detection and TP-AGB location (STAREVOL tracks)



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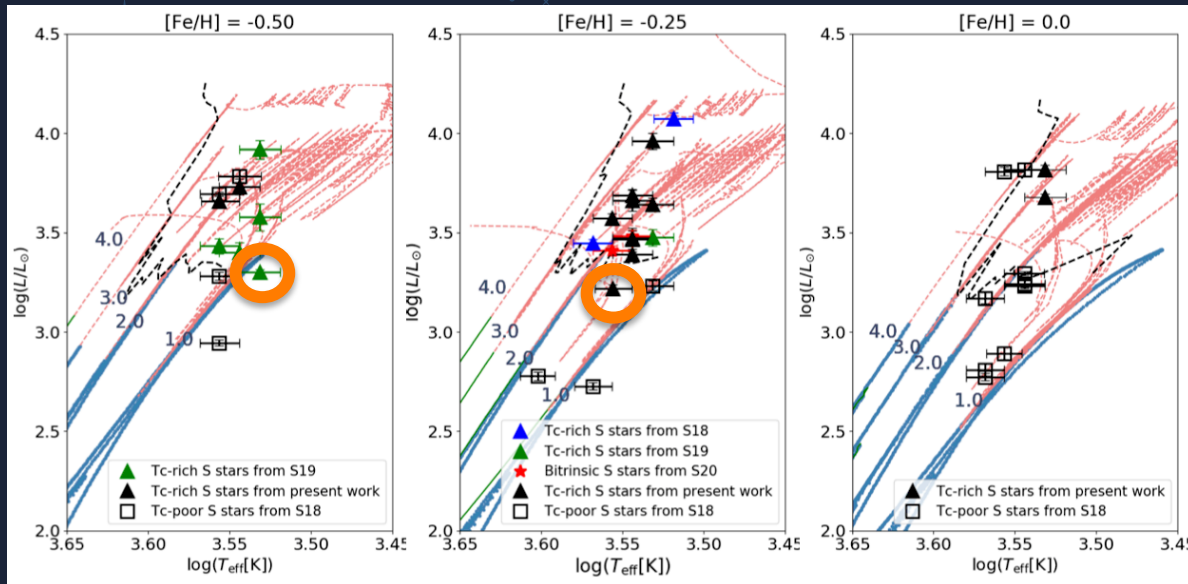


Van Eck, Shetye & Siess 2022

# s-process along the AGB

## S stars (intrinsic)

- Discovery of low-mass Tc-rich S stars ( $M < 1.5$ ) thanks to Gaia DR2 and eDR3 (Shetye et al. 2019)



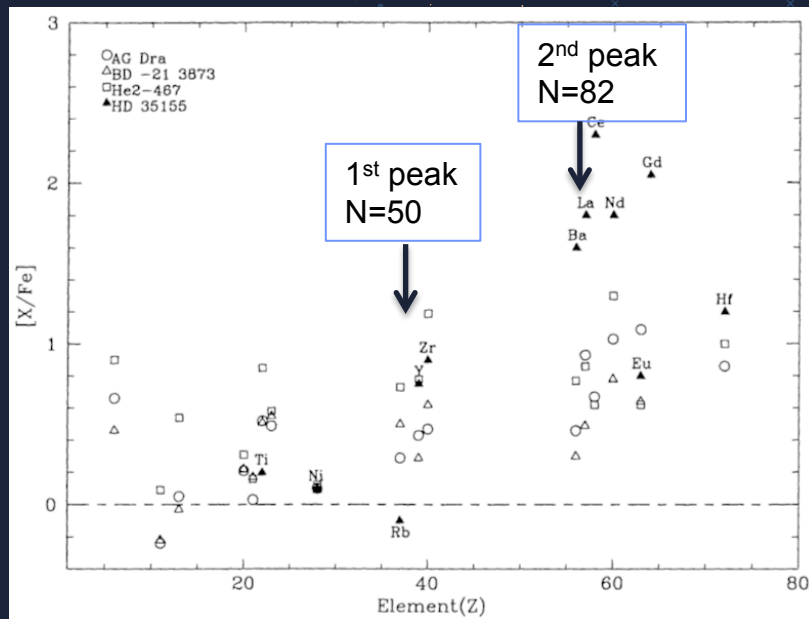
| Name        | $M_{\text{current}}$ | $M_{\text{init}}$ |
|-------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| CSS 154     | 1.4                  | 1.6               |
| BD +34 1698 | 1.2                  | 1.4               |
| V 915 Aql   | 0.8                  | 1                 |
| CSS 182     | 1.1                  | 1.3               |
| BD-29 5912  | 1.3                  | 1.5               |

→ Contribution to the galactic chemical evolution

# s-process along the AGB

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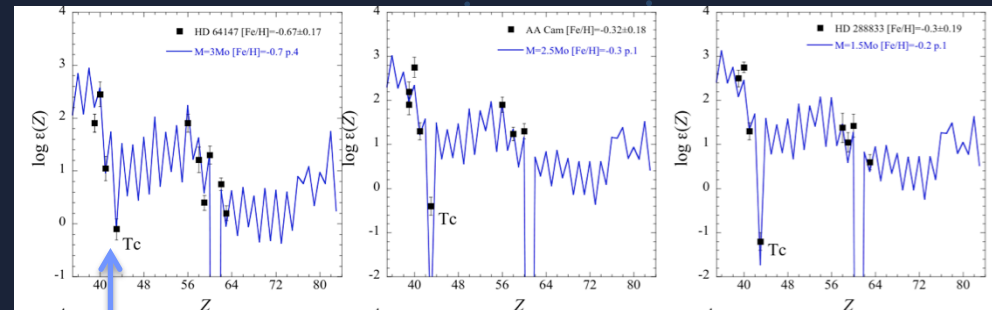
- s-process overabundances:



Wallerstein et al. 2003

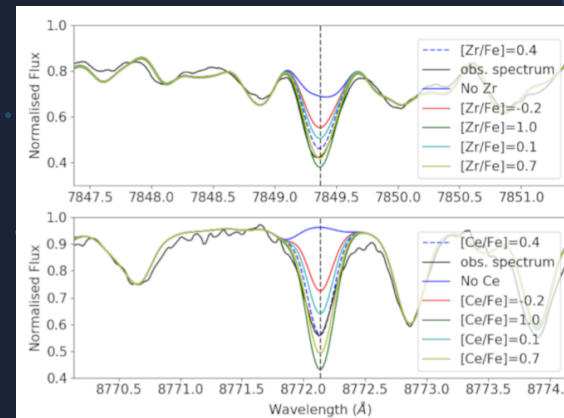
MARCS model atmosphere of S stars (Van Eck et al. 2017)

→ Good agreement between s-process abundances and models



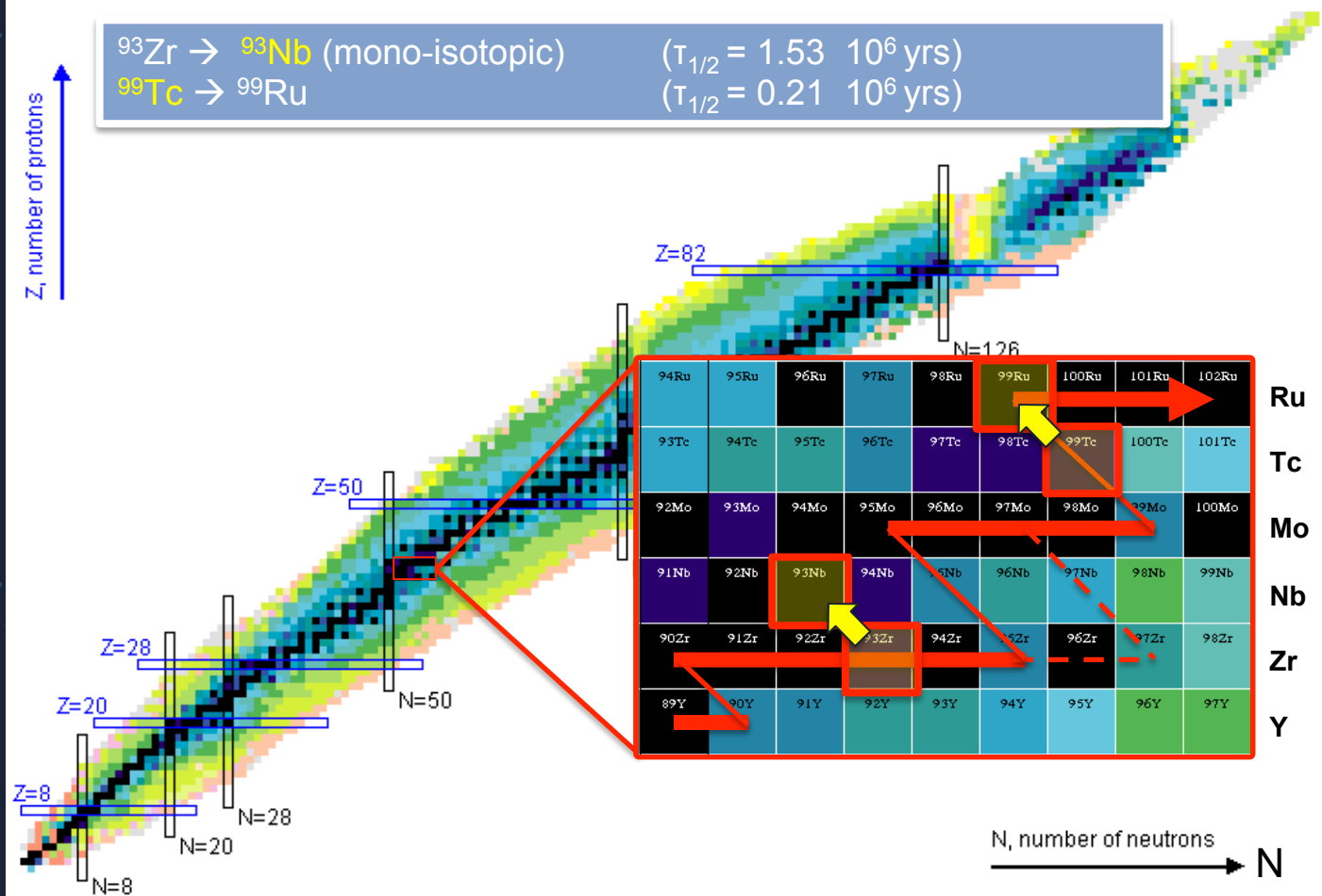
First Tc abundance measures

Shetye et al. 2019, 2021



# s-process

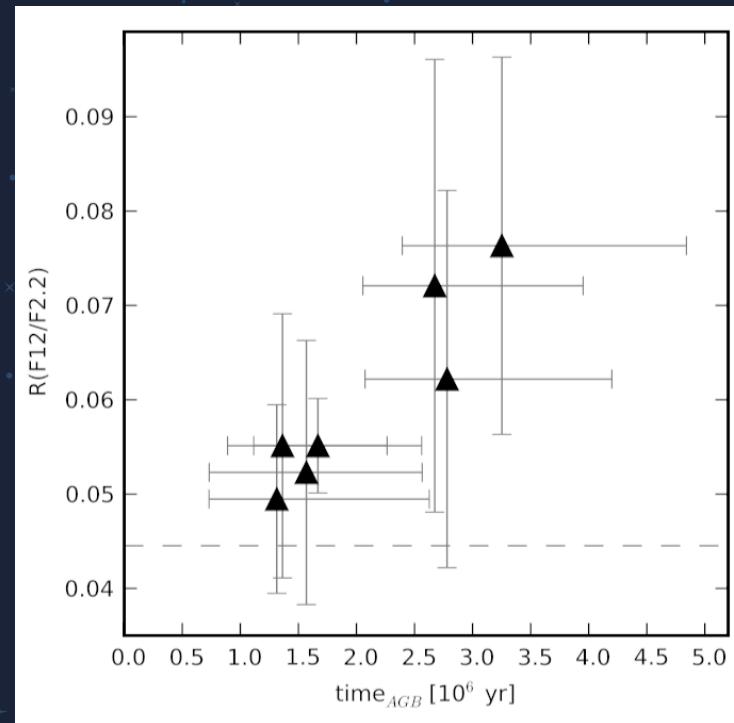
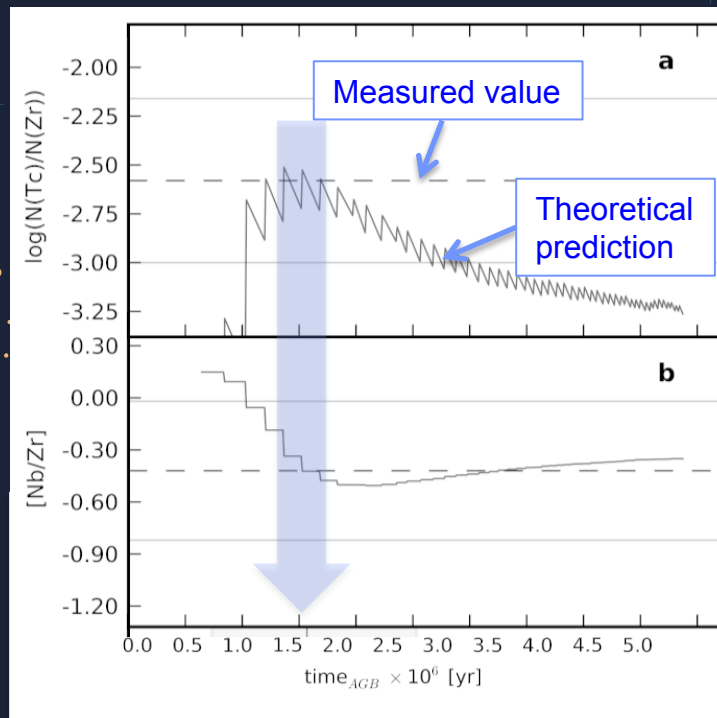
Radio-isotopes allowing to derive information on the timescales of the s-process



# s-process along the AGB

**Intrinsic S stars:** Using the Zr→Nb and Tc→Ru chronometers,

- determination of ages since the s-process nucleosynthesis onset
- Constraint on s-process temperature operation in S stars:  $T < 250 \times 10^6 \text{ K}$   $\rightarrow {}^{13}\text{C} (\alpha, n)$  neutron source



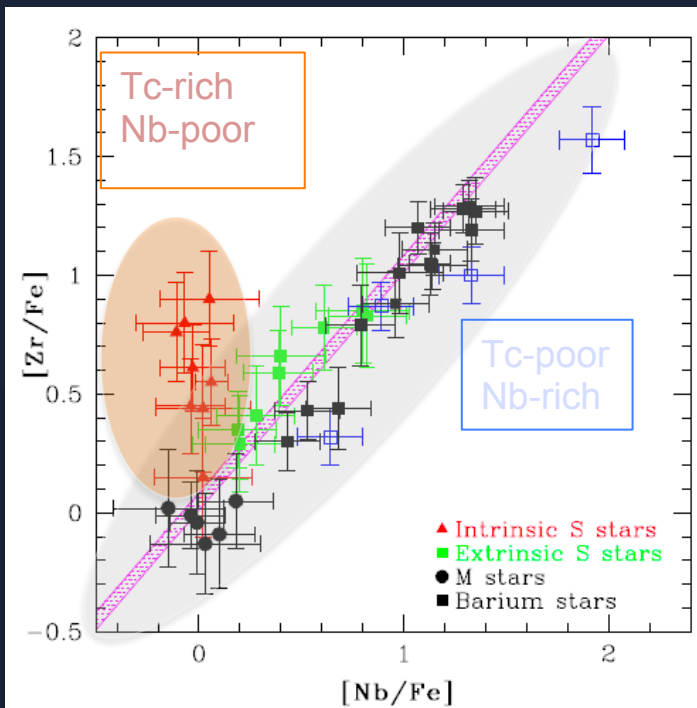
Neyskens et al. 2015

# s-process: extrinsic stars

## Extrinsic S stars

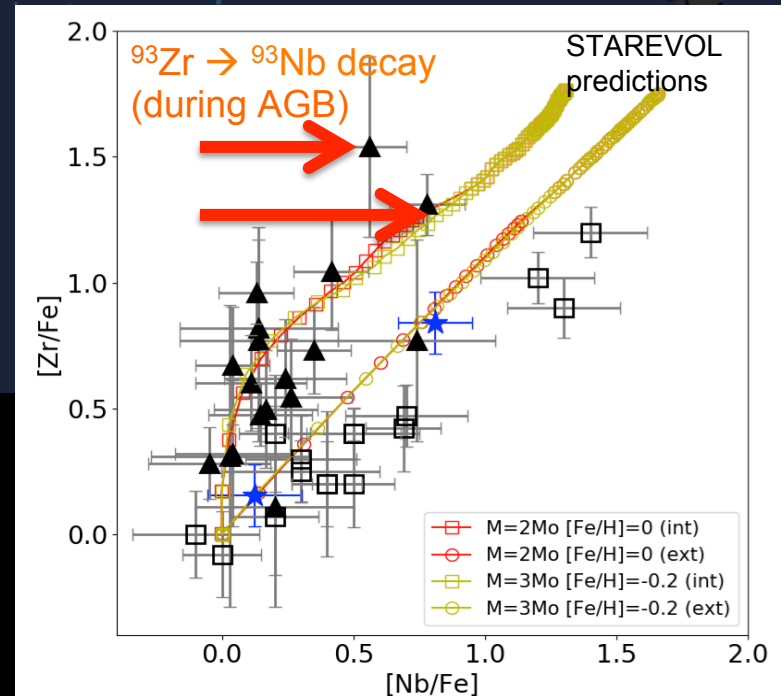
Validation in S-type stars, barium stars, CEMP-s stars:  
• Nb and Zr follow the expected trends

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2018

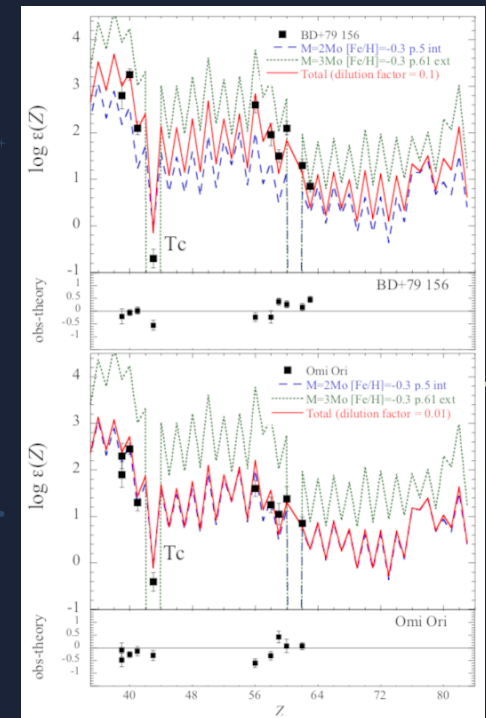
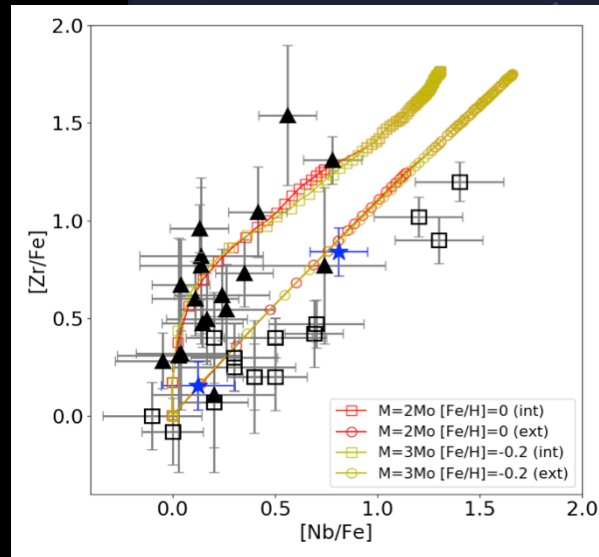
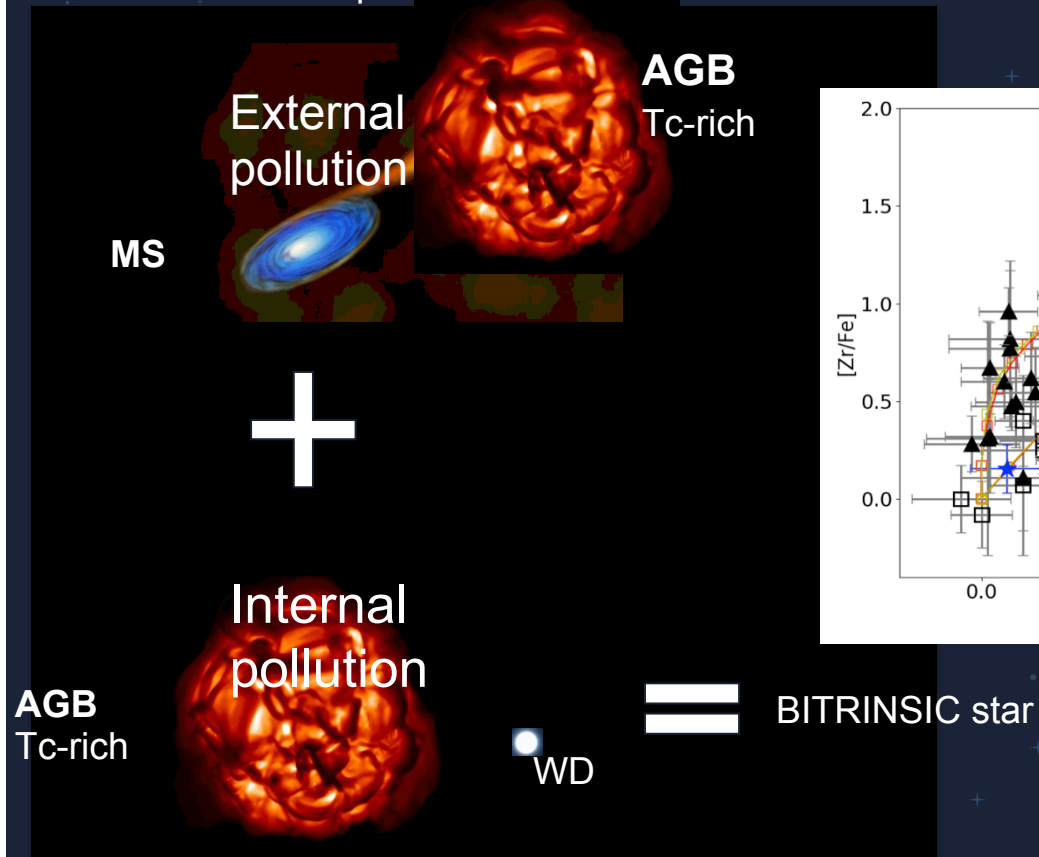
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# s-process: Bitrinsic stars

Reheated  
cold case

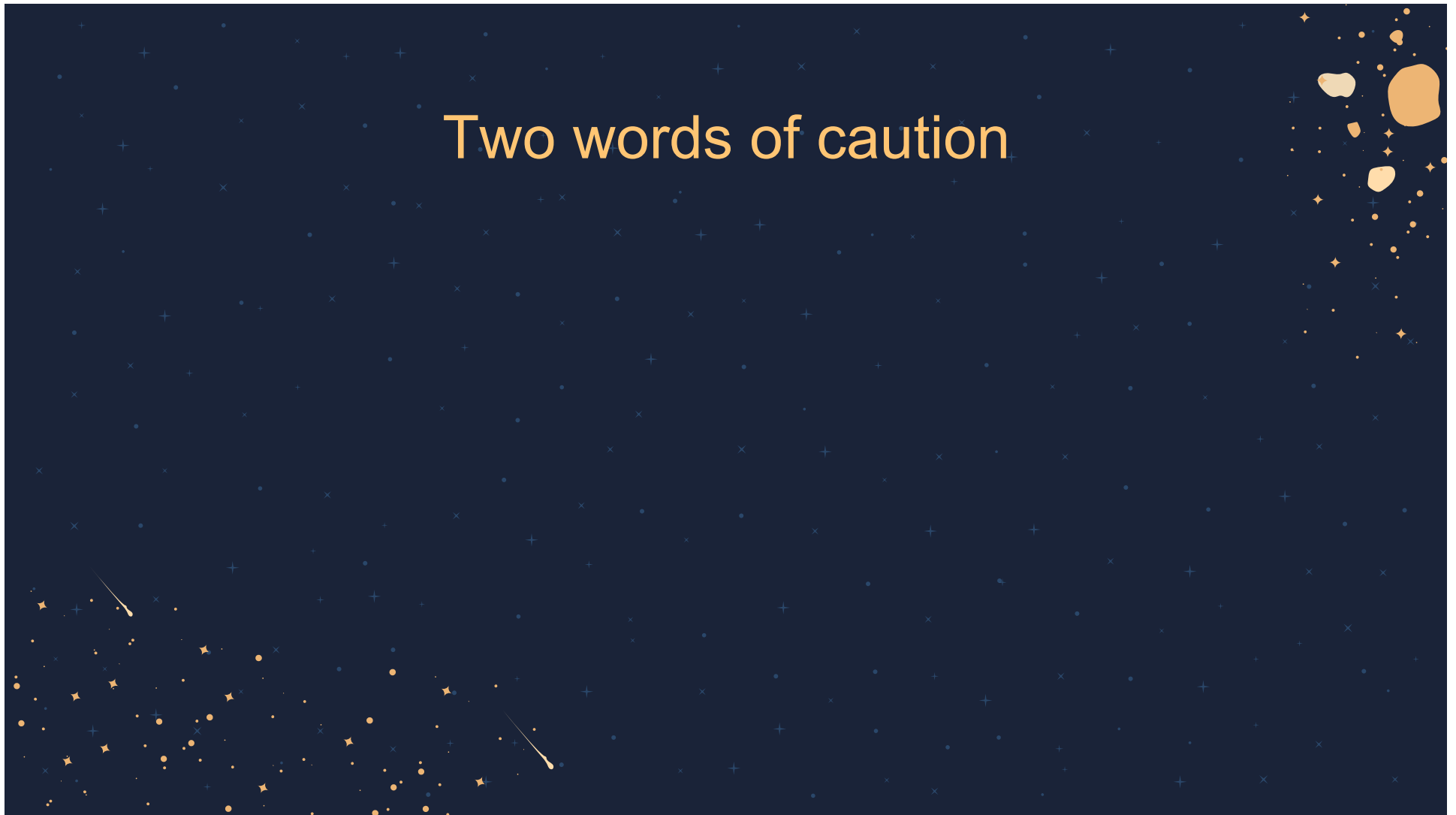
Discovery of bitrinsic stars:  
Stars that have experienced 2 pollutions:



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# Two words of caution



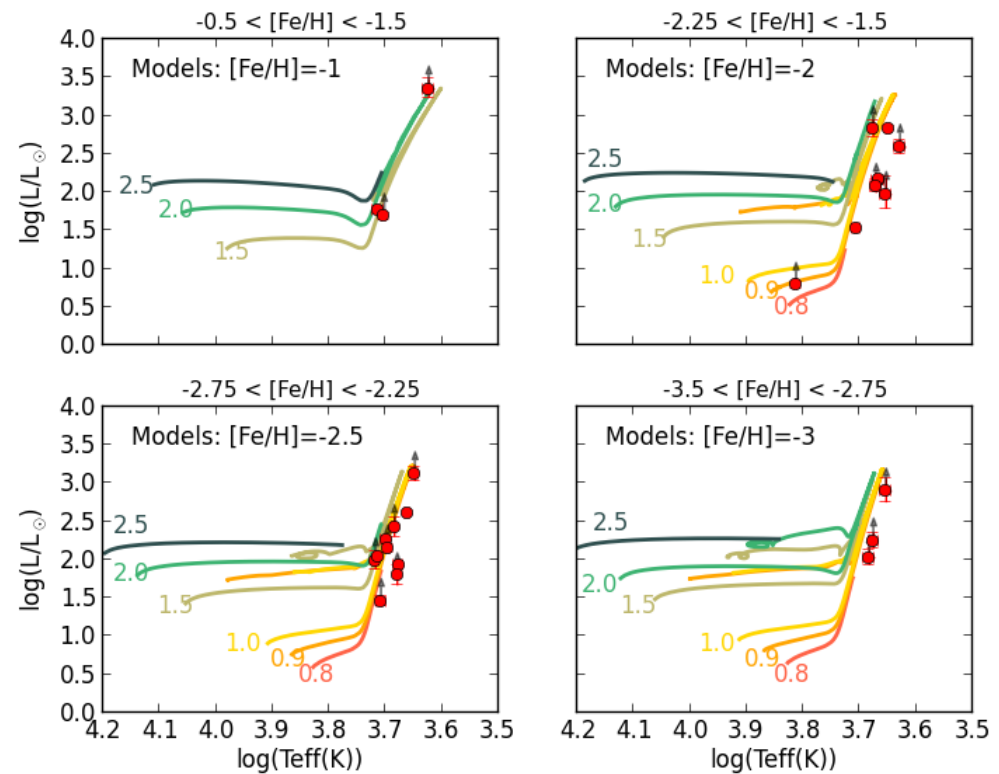
# 1. HR diagrams: models vs measured stars

**Non-solar chemical composition**

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- → impact  $T_{\text{eff}}$

Example: Comparison CEMP stars with Starevol (L. Siess)

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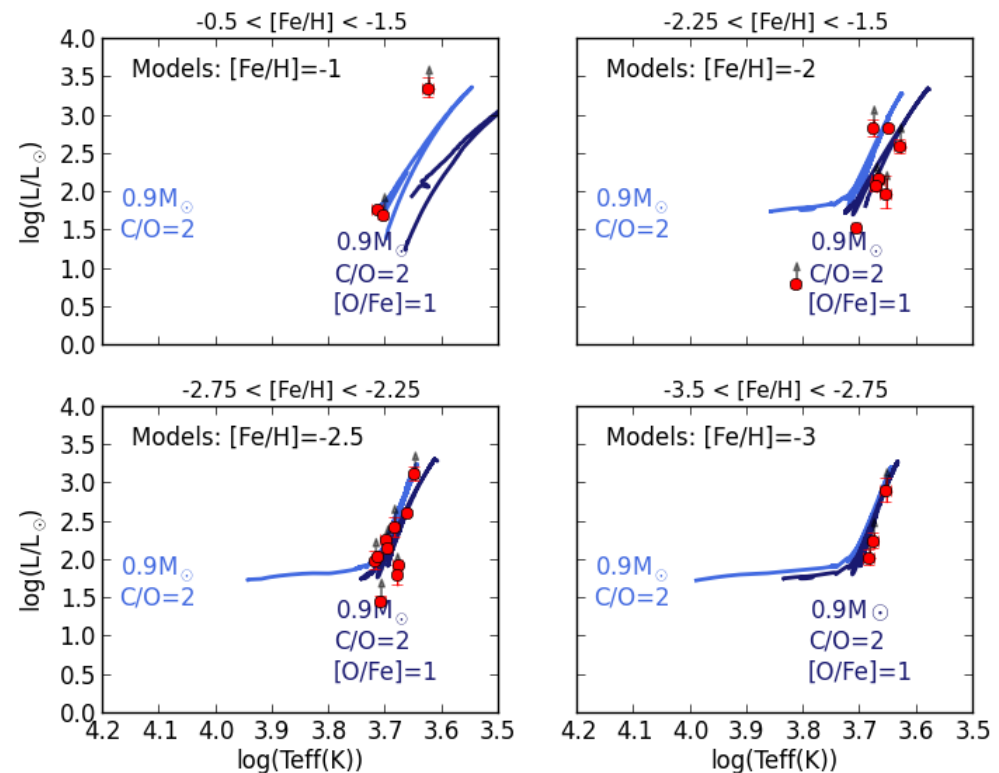
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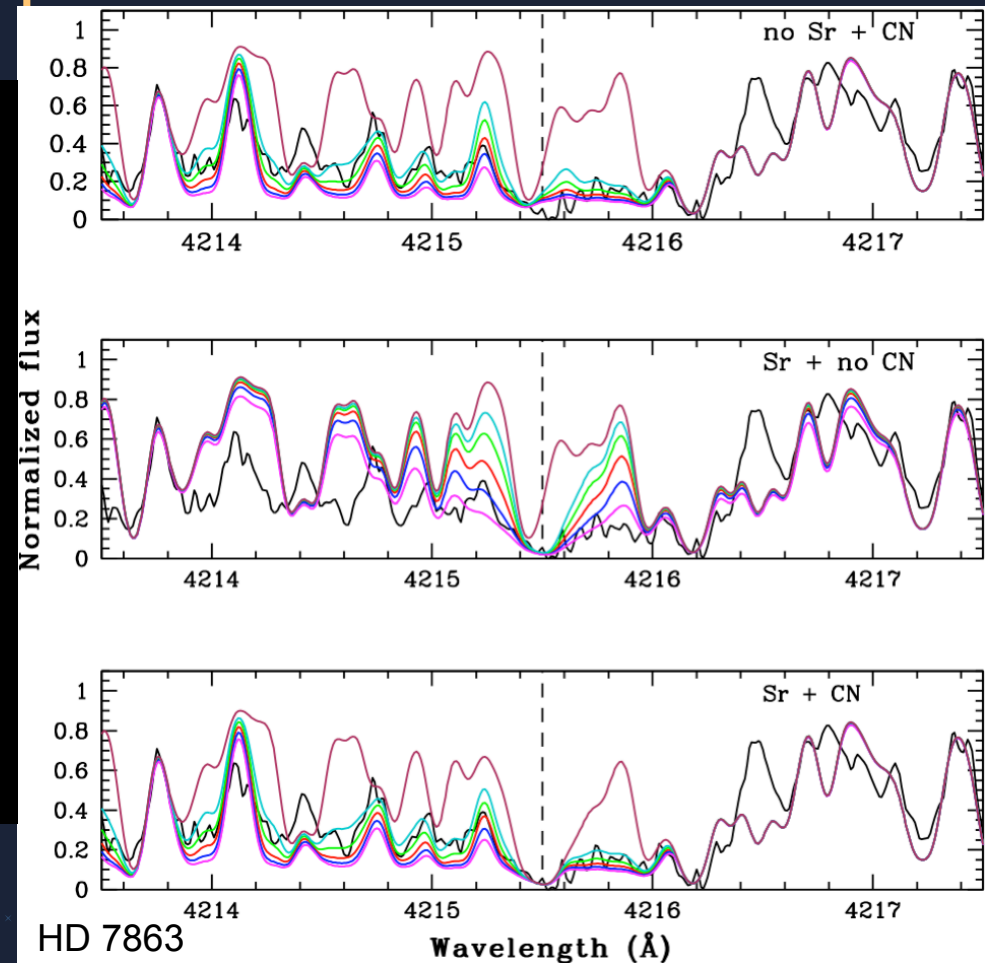
## 2. Machine-learning s-process line identification

Re-analysis of 15 bright Barium stars uncovered in LAMOST using machine-learning (Norfolk 2019)

3 strong barium stars  
8 mild barium stars  
**4 non-enriched stars**

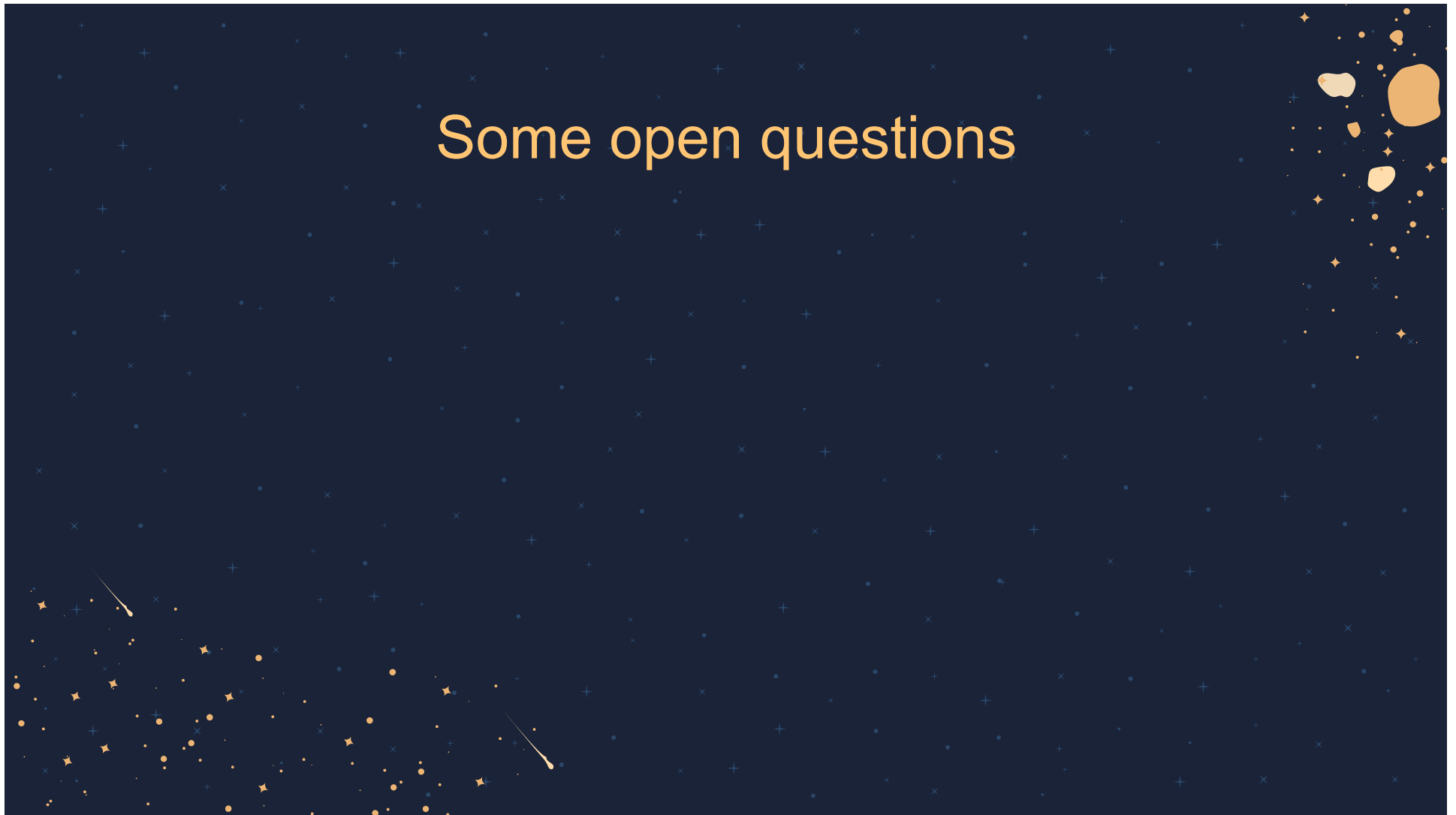
→ 25% misclassification

Reasons: Sr II 4215.519Å line  
- heavily saturated  
- blended with CN 4216Å



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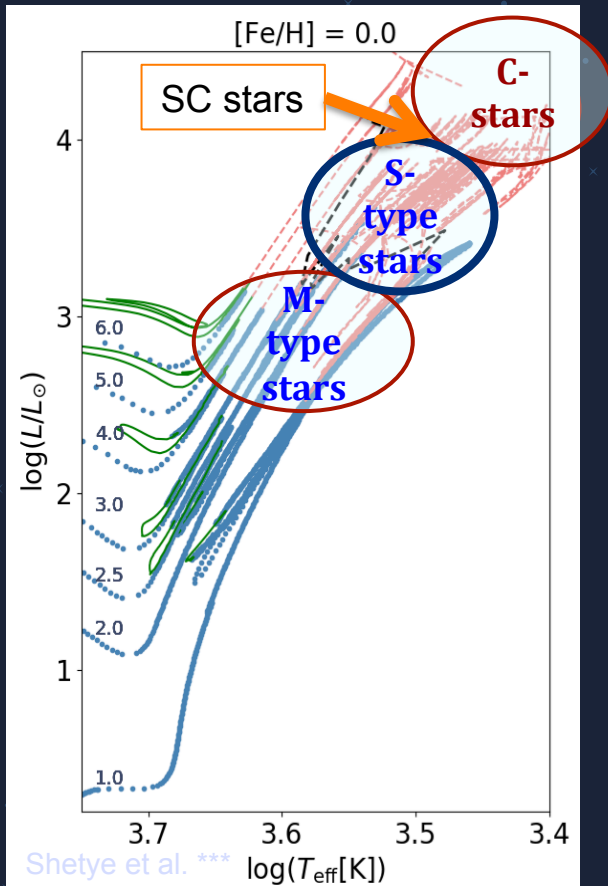
# Some open questions



# Tc-rich M stars

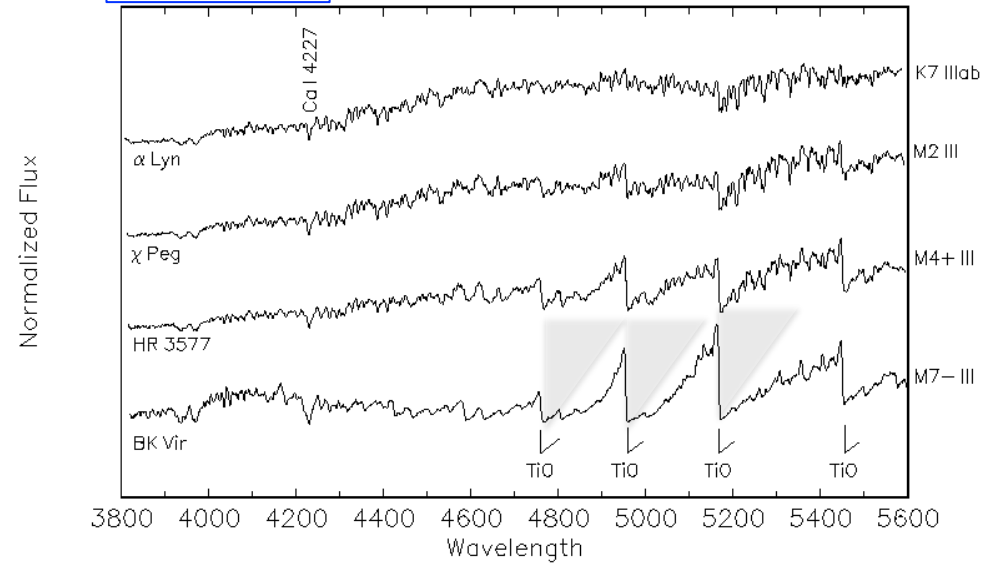
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Tc-rich M-type stars



An M-Giant Temperature Sequence

TiO bands

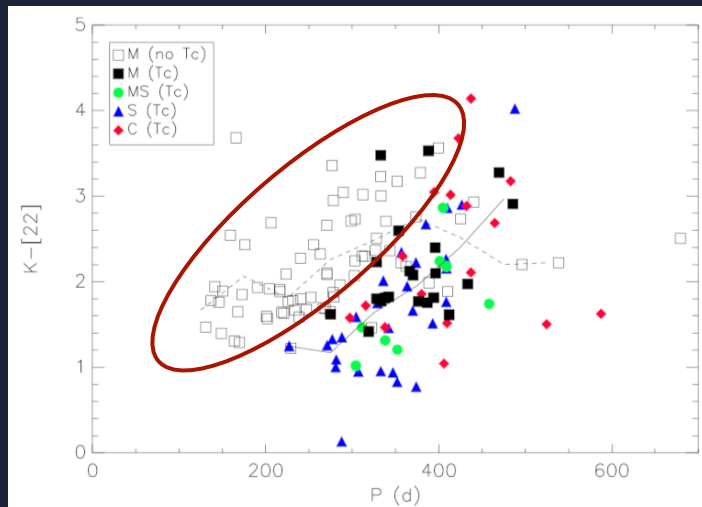


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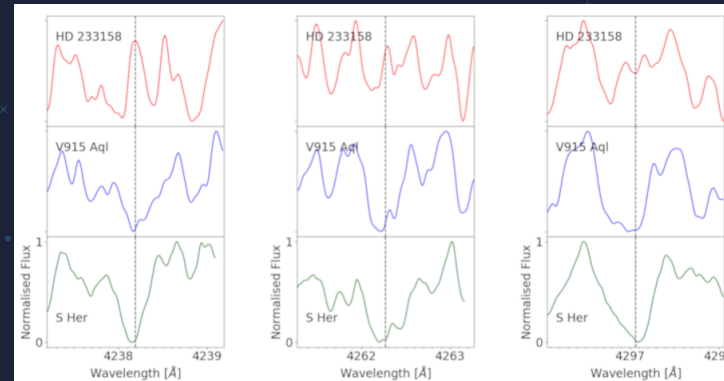
# Tc-rich M stars

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STARS**

- Uncovered by Little-Marenin & Little 1979
- No (prominent) s-process enrichment



Uttenthaler et al. 2019



Shetye et al. 2021

→ Only a (few) thermal pulses?  
→ or a different s-process?

No Tc S

Tc-rich S

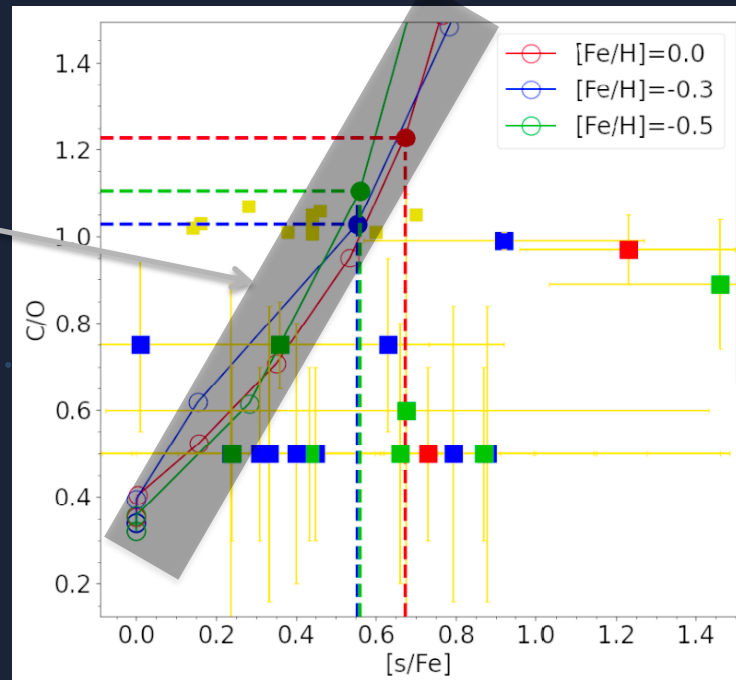
Tc-rich M

# s and C increase

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- Simultaneous increase of s and C

Stellar evolution model  
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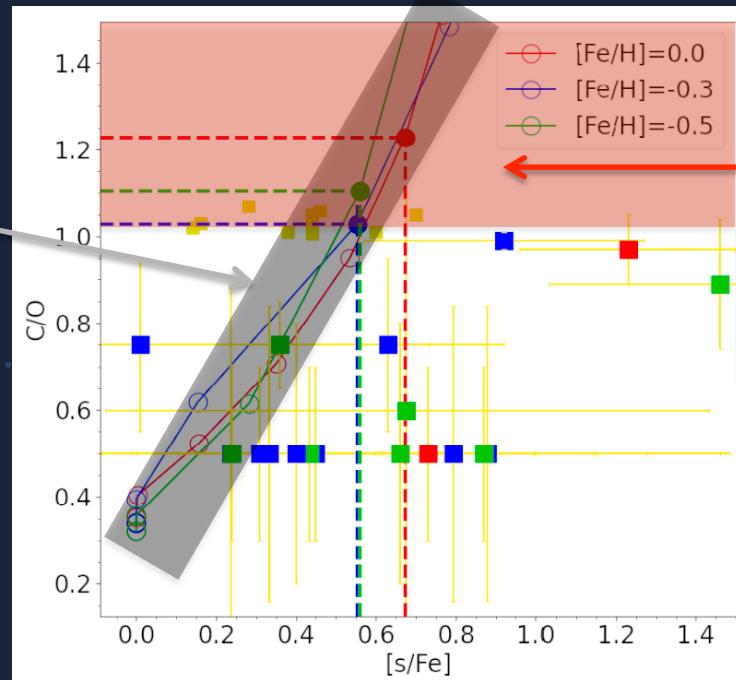




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$C/O > 1$

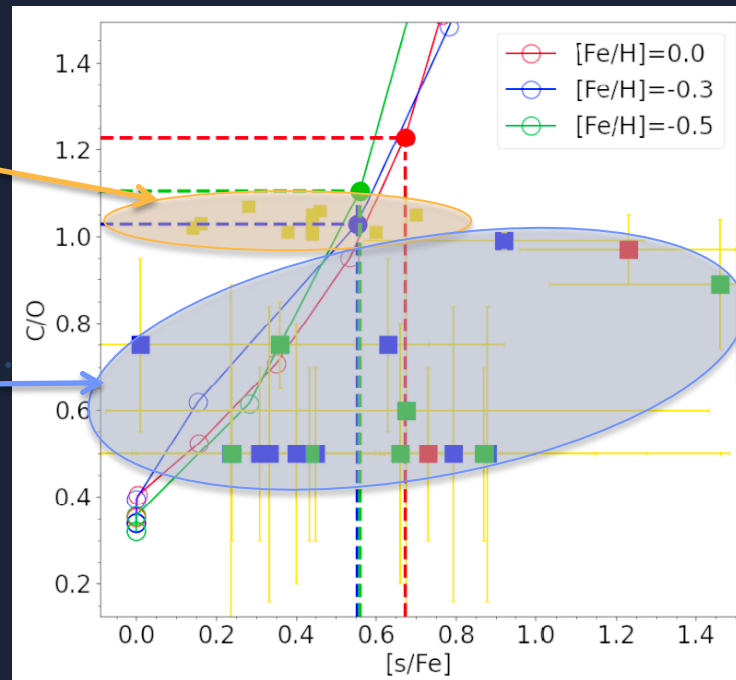
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C stars (Abia et al.)

S stars (Shetye et al.)  
 $C/O < 1$



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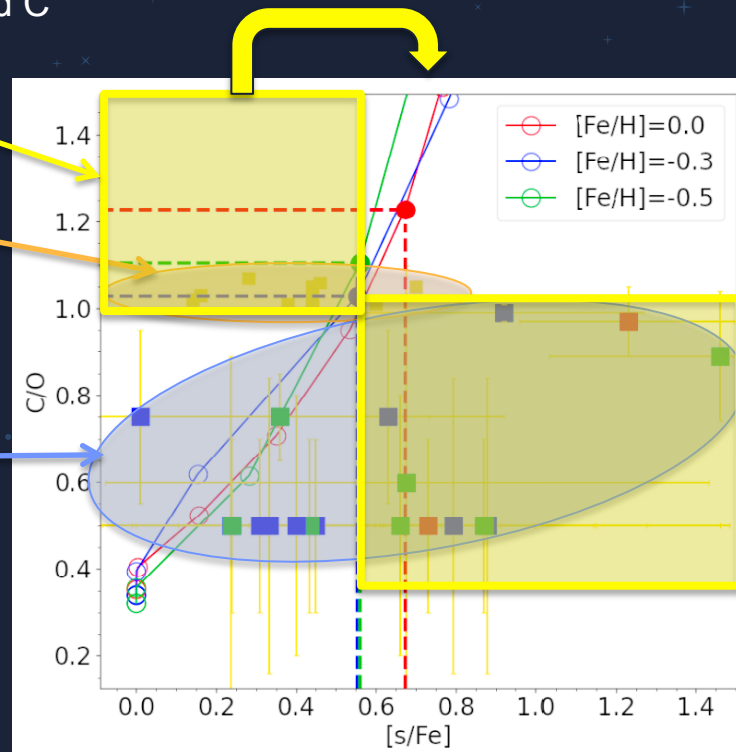
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- Simultaneous increase of s and C

Stars with such C/O  
should have  $[s/Fe] \geq 0.6$

C stars (Abia et al.)

S stars (Shetye et al.)  
 $C/O < 1$



Stars with such  $[s/Fe]$   
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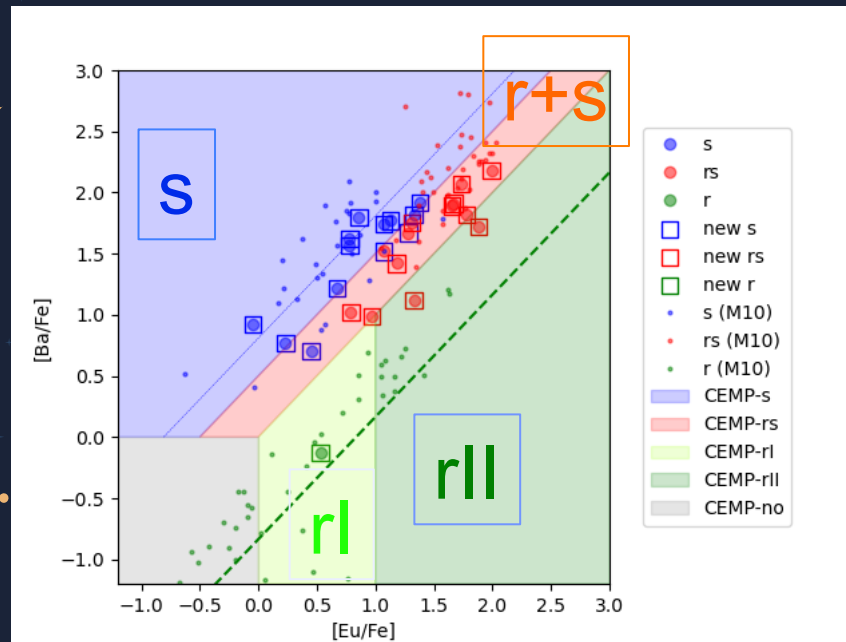
# More extrinsic stars

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## CEMP-sr:

- Binaries
- Overabundances in s and r elements
- Classification

s-process



r-process

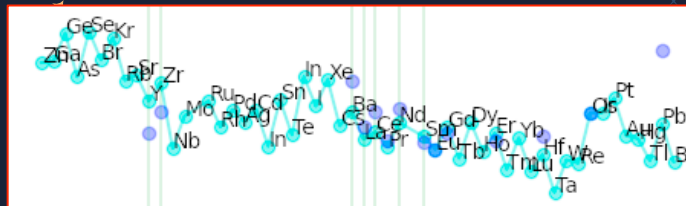
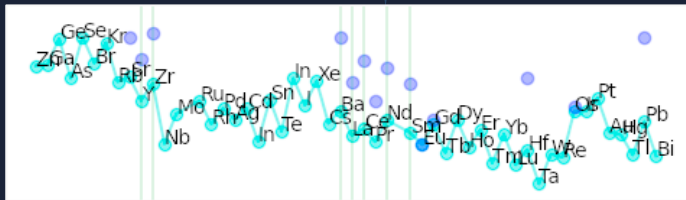
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## 4. More extrinsic stars

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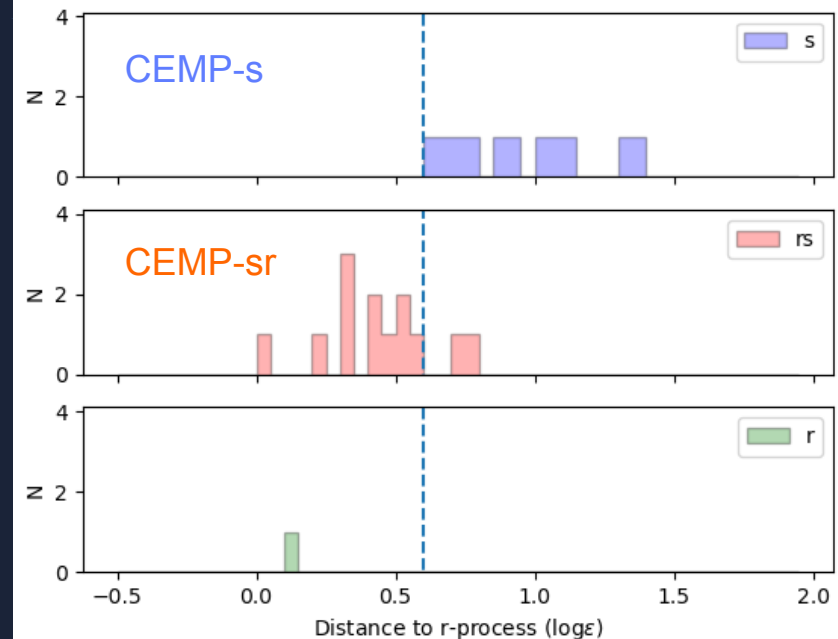
**CEMP-sr:**

- Classification



New classification scheme  
Using Y, Zr, Ba, La, Ce, Nd, Sm, Eu

$$d_s = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x_i} (\log_{10} \epsilon_{x_i,*} - \log_{10} \epsilon_{x_i,\text{norm}(r,*)})$$



## 4. More extrinsic stars

CEMP-s

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**CEMP-sr**

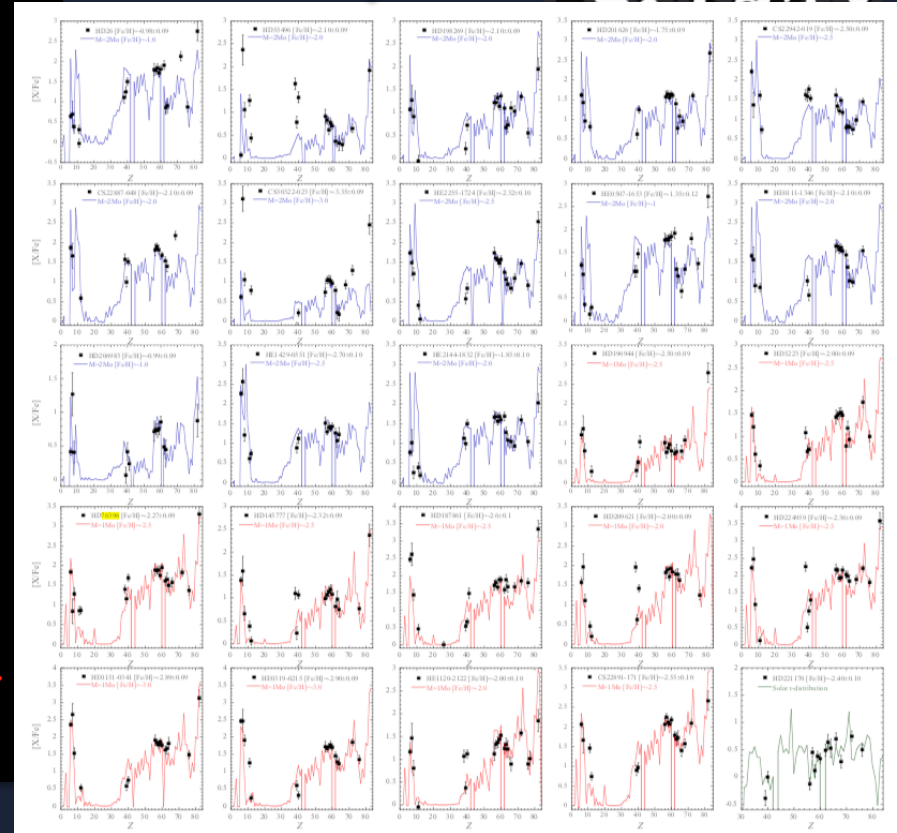
## Double event scenario? (Gull et al. 2018)

Or

Low-metallicity and low- mass thermally-pulsing  
AGB stars  
(Iwamoto et al. 2004; Lugaro et al. 2012,  
Choplin et al. 2021)

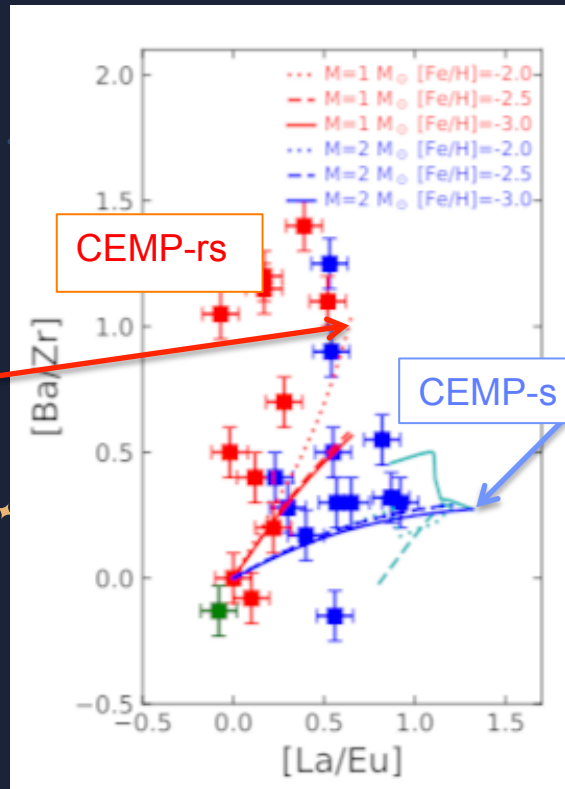
But: HD 100503: analog to CEMP-rs star  
but at  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]=-0.7$   
Karinkuzhi et al. 2018

## CEMP-rs



## 4. More extrinsic stars

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1  $M_{\odot}$  models with  
proton ingestion

CEMP-rs

CEMP-s

Radiative s-process  
during interpulse

- Particular manifestation of the s-process (at low  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ )
- Easier to detect at low  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$
- HD100503: analog to CEMP-rs star at  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]=-0.7$
- Mixed profile also found in V4334 Sagittarii (Sakurai's object)
- Some SC stars have a high Eu overabundance (0.5 to 1 dex) (Abia & Wallerstein 1998) as well as some Ba stars

Karinkuzhi D. et al., 2021, A&A 645, 61



60  
years

# Perspectives

## Methods:

Non-LTE abundances (La, Ce, Sr, Y, Zr...)

3D abundances

Systematics from large surveys: to come

Targets: Mainly 5 types of s (and i ? ) -process stars:

- Intrinsic TP-AGB (S, SC, C)
- Extrinsic (S, C, Ba, CH, CEMP-s and sr)
- Bitrinsic stars (S, SC?, C?)
- \*Some\* post-AGB objects
- GCE stars (Galactic Chemical Evolution) stars

*Looking forward*



100  
years



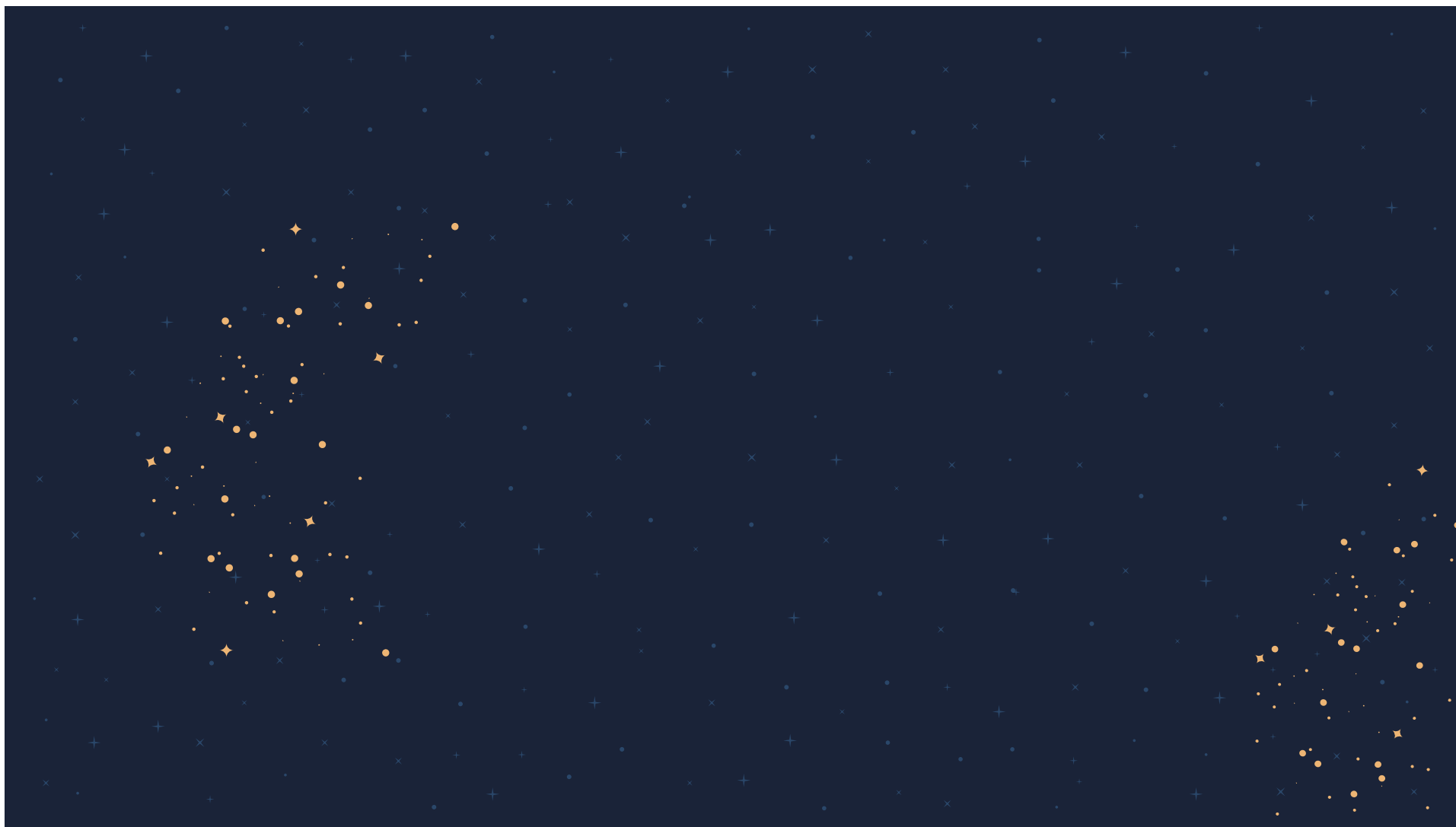


Happy anniversary ESO!



*Looking forward*







# More puzzles to come from surveys

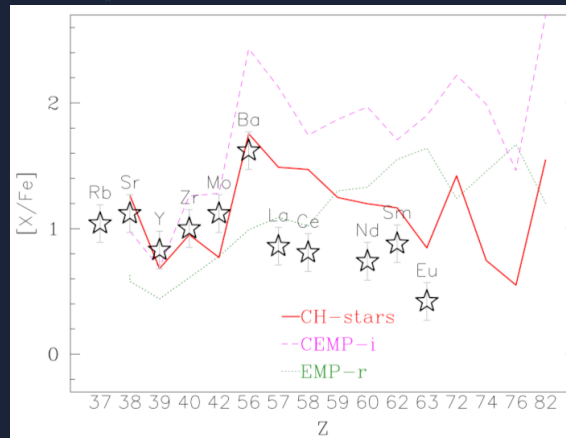
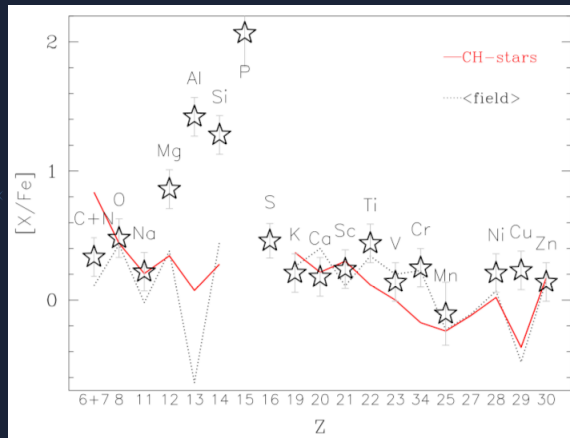
## Phosphorus-rich stars

15 K giants

$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] \sim -1$

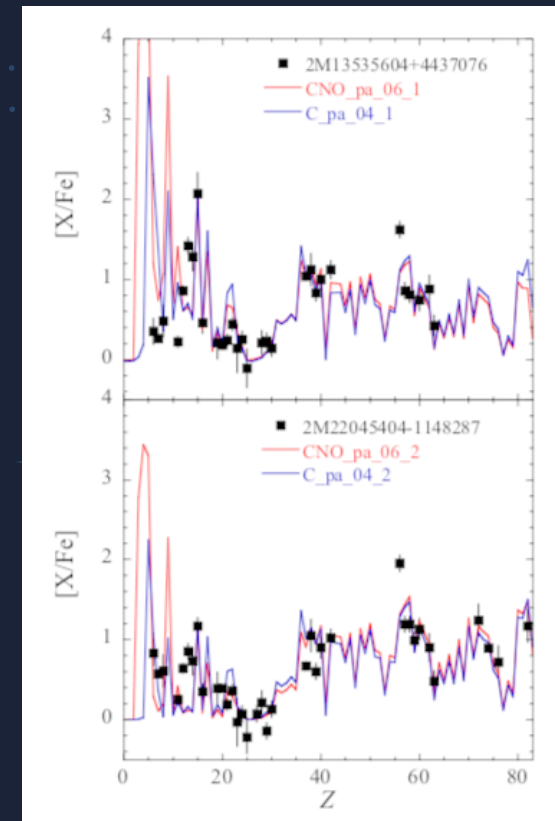
Apparently single stars

1 shows C+N enhancement



Masseron et al. 2020

Spallation: non-thermal processes resulting from the interaction of C-rich or CNO-rich material with energetic protons and/or  $\alpha$ -particles (Goriely 2022)



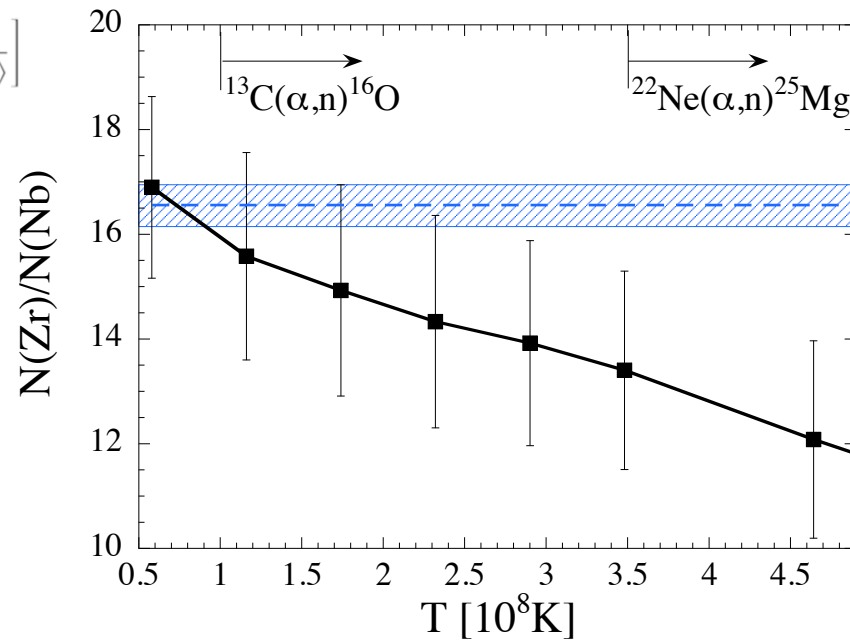
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$$\left[ \frac{\text{Zr}}{\text{Fe}} \right] = \left[ \frac{\text{Nb}}{\text{Fe}} \right] + \log \omega^* - \log \frac{N_{\odot}(\text{Zr})}{N_{\odot}(\text{Nb})},$$

where

$$\omega^* = \langle \sigma_{93} \rangle \left[ \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_{90} \rangle} + \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_{91} \rangle} + \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_{92} \rangle} + \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_{94} \rangle} \right]$$

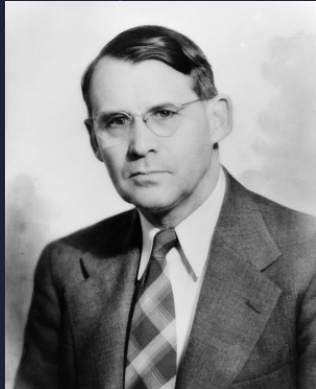


Neyskens et al. 2015

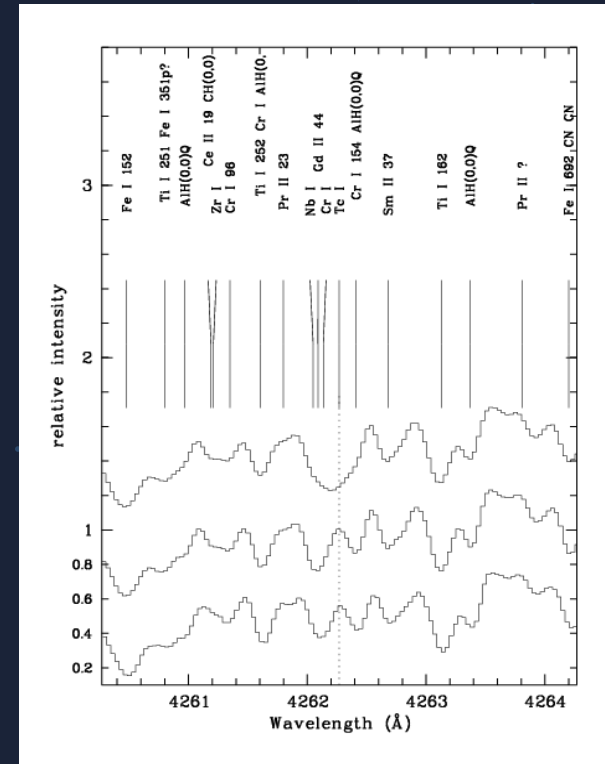
Constraint on s-process temperature operation in S stars:  $T < 250 \cdot 10^6 \text{ K}$   
 $\rightarrow {}^{13}\text{C} (\alpha, n)$  neutron source



# Technetium



- 1952: Observation by Paul Merrill of Tc I lines in the photosphere of S stars (R And, R Gem, AA Cyg)



Lines of  $Tc I$ , an element believed to have no completely stable isotope, appear to be stronger in the stars with the more dominant S-type characteristics. This fact, together with others, might suggest that S-type stars represent a comparatively transient phase of stellar existence.

# Technetium: where it should not be detected?

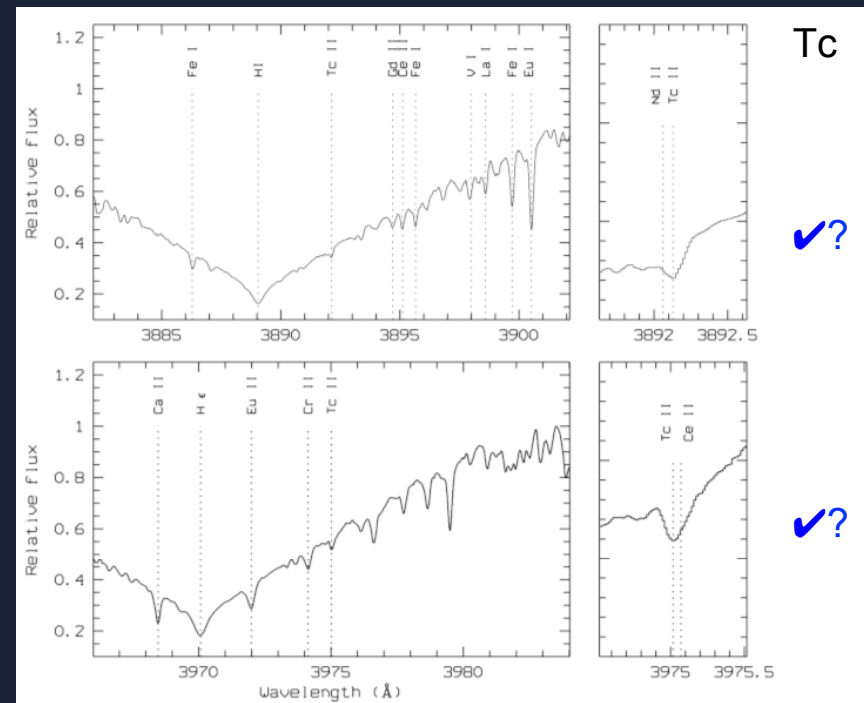
Searched in **Ap stars**: inconclusive results

Tc II: 3892.129 and 3975.017 Å

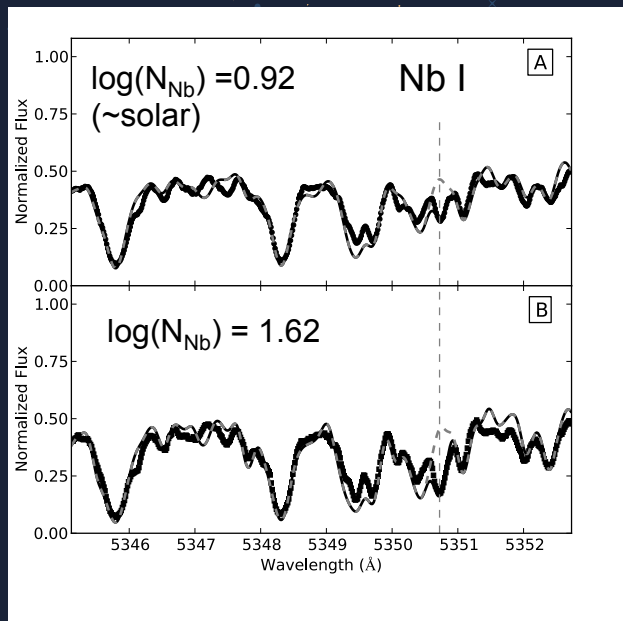
Eu–Cr A1 star HD 125248

Palmeri et al. 2007

See also Boyarchuk & Snow (1978):  
no Tc in Ap stars

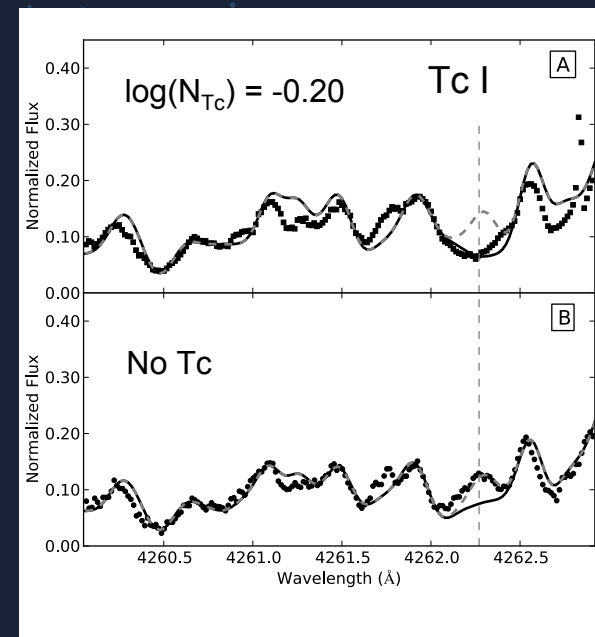


# s-process: binary paradigm



Intrinsic:  
Tc-rich  
← Nb-solar →

Extrinsic:  
No Tc  
← Nb-rich →





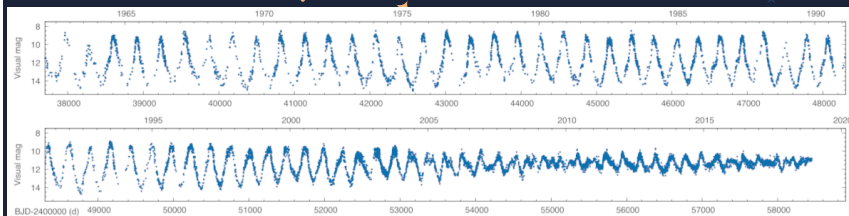
## 4. Real-time AGB evolution

**INTRINSIC  
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T Ursae Minoris  
AGB M star (Mira → semi-regular)  
Steep pulsation period decline  
Pulsation mode switching  
(also: RU Vul, R Dor, R Aql, R Hya, and W Dra)  
Uttenthaler et al. 2016  
→ Onset of a thermal pulse?

BH Cru  
SC → C  
(Whitelock 1999, Uttenthaler et al. 2011)

LX Cygni  
S → C spectral type  
Uttenthaler et al. 2016



Molnar et al. 2019

Cool Stars 21 – July 2022

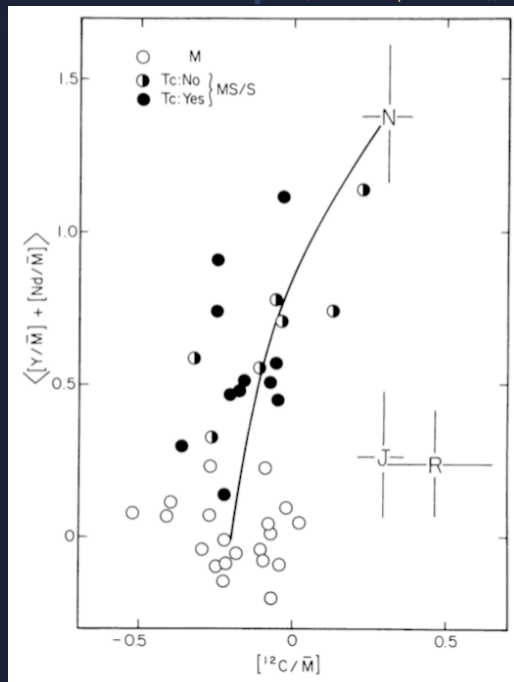
**Table 3.** Historic spectral type determinations of LX Cyg.

| Date<br>dd/mm/yyyy | Sp. type    | Reference                                    |
|--------------------|-------------|----------------------------------------------|
| 22/10/1952         | S LaO 3     | <a href="#">Terrill (1969)</a>               |
| 05/09/1954         | S LaO 3     | <a href="#">Terrill (1969)</a>               |
| 20/08/1955         | S           | <a href="#">Cameron &amp; Nassau (1956)</a>  |
| 27/09/1956         | S LaO 2–3   | <a href="#">Terrill (1969)</a>               |
| 05/10/1957         | S LaO 2     | <a href="#">Terrill (1969)</a>               |
| 12/09/1958         | S LaO 2:    | <a href="#">Terrill (1969)</a>               |
| 07/06/1962         | S LaO 3     | <a href="#">Terrill (1969)</a>               |
| 03/10/1965         | S LaO 1     | <a href="#">Terrill (1969)</a>               |
| 27/08/1975         | S5.5e: Zr 1 | <a href="#">Ake (1979)</a>                   |
| 14/11/1976         | SC3e Zr 0.5 | <a href="#">Ake (1979)</a>                   |
| 18/10/1977         | SC8/8.5e    | <a href="#">Keenan &amp; Boeshaar (1980)</a> |
| 29/10/1978         | SC7/9–e     | <a href="#">Keenan &amp; Boeshaar (1980)</a> |
| 02/08/1979         | SC4:/8e     | <a href="#">Keenan &amp; Boeshaar (1980)</a> |

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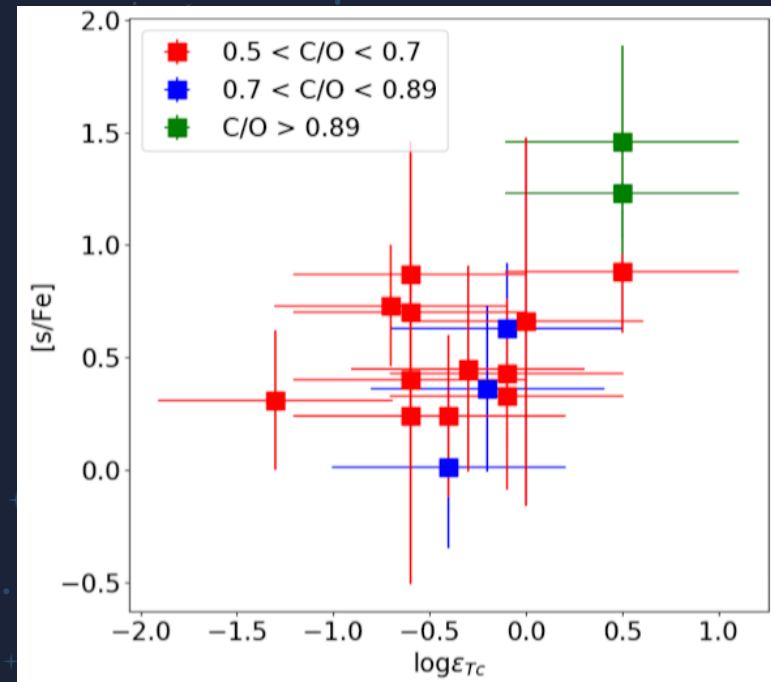
## S stars

- Loose tendency to have largest  $[s/Fe]$  for largest C/O:



Smith & Lambert 1990

- Loose tendency to have largest Tc for largest C/O and largest  $[s/Fe]$



Shetye et al. 2019, 2021