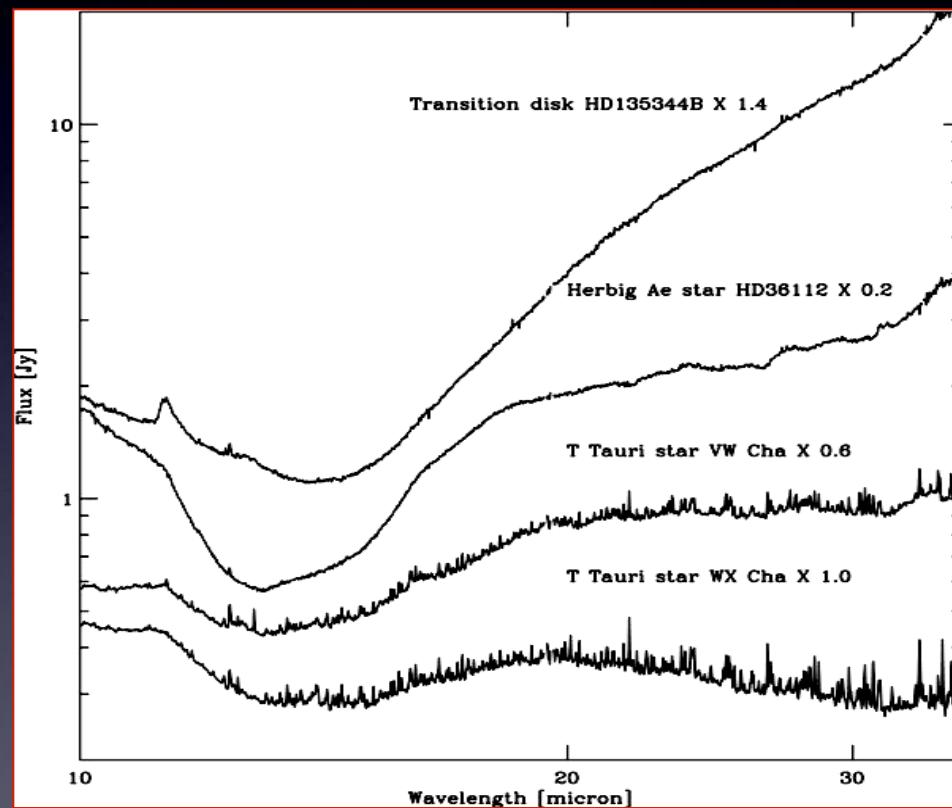
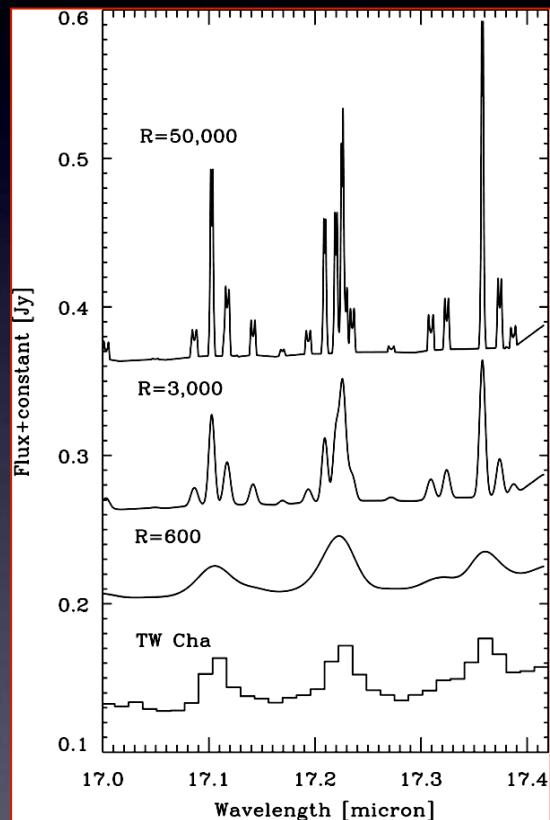


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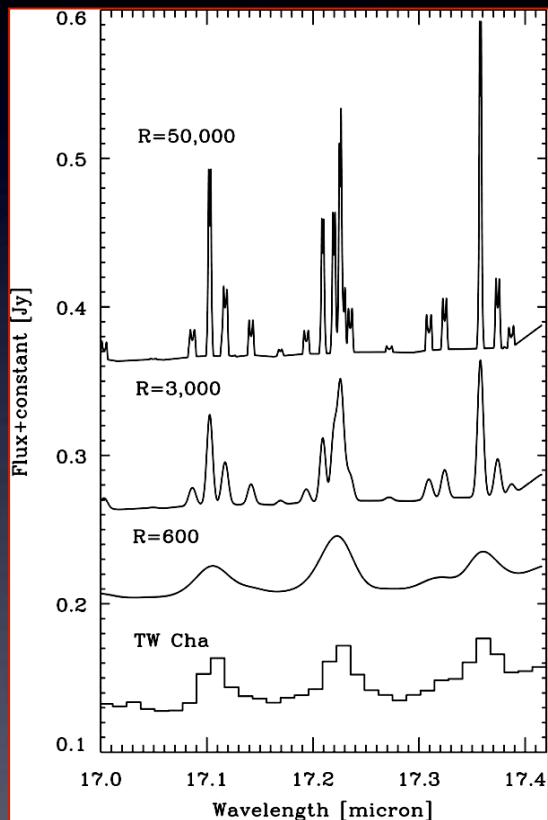
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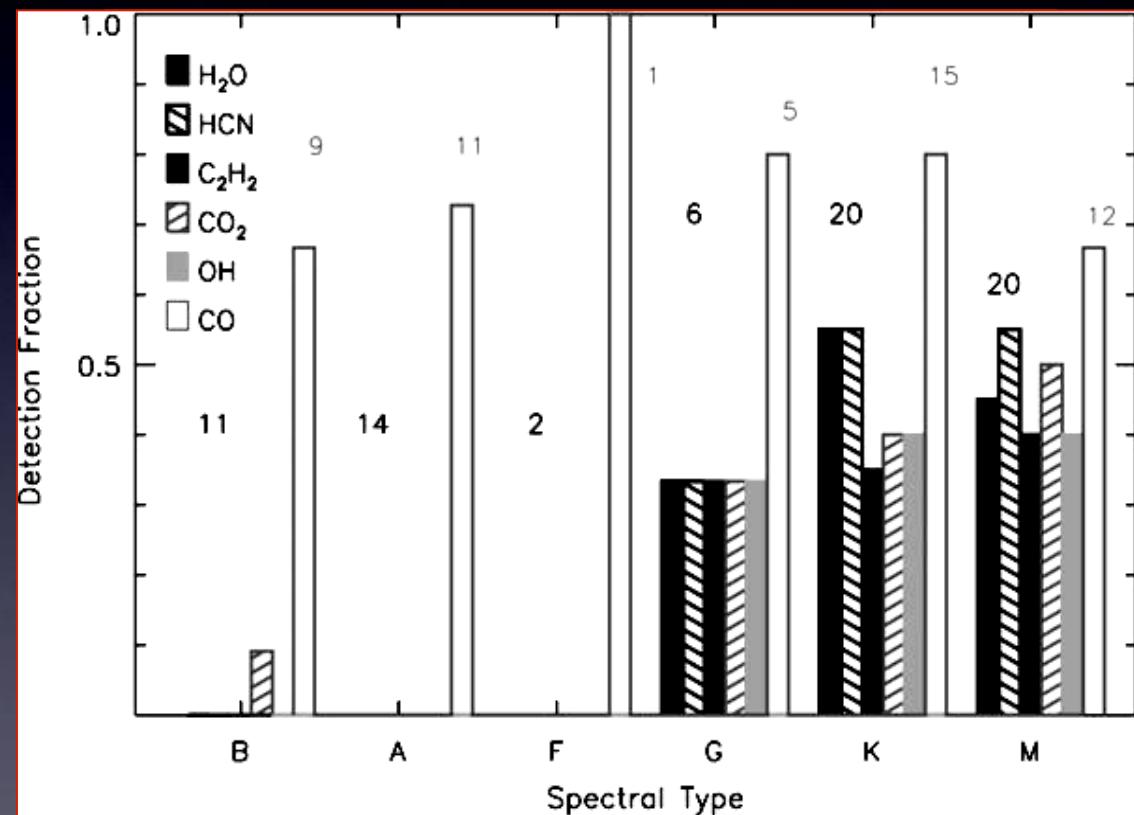
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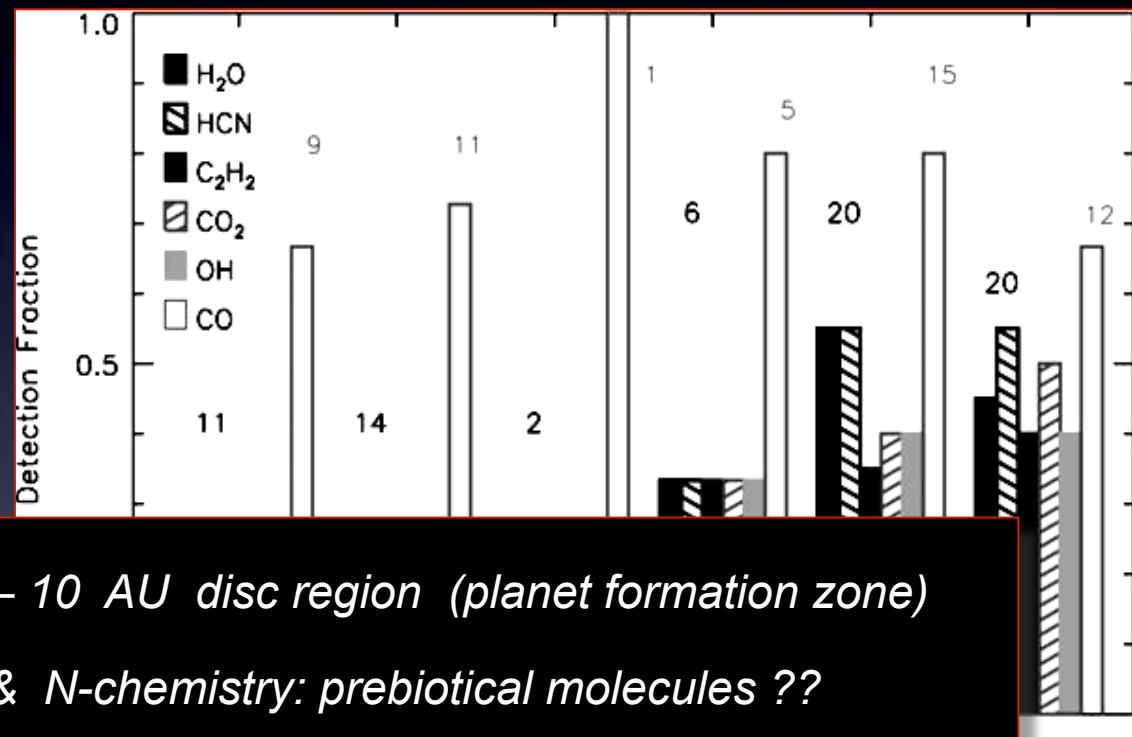
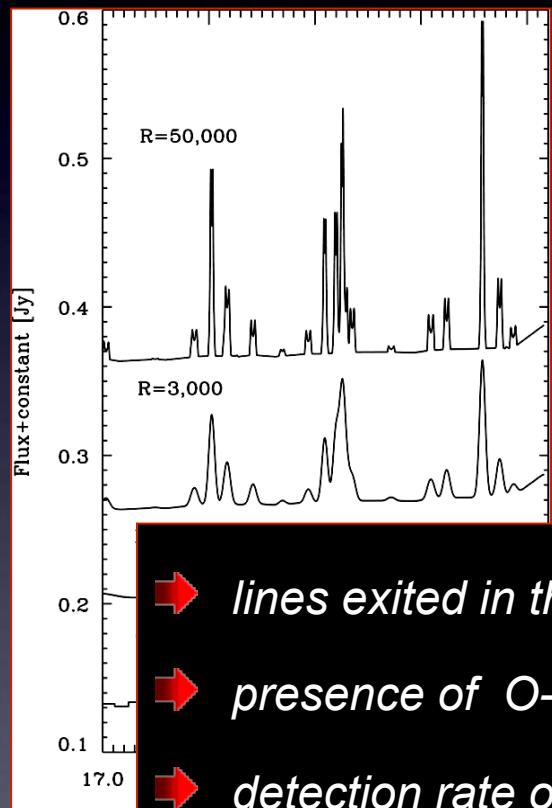


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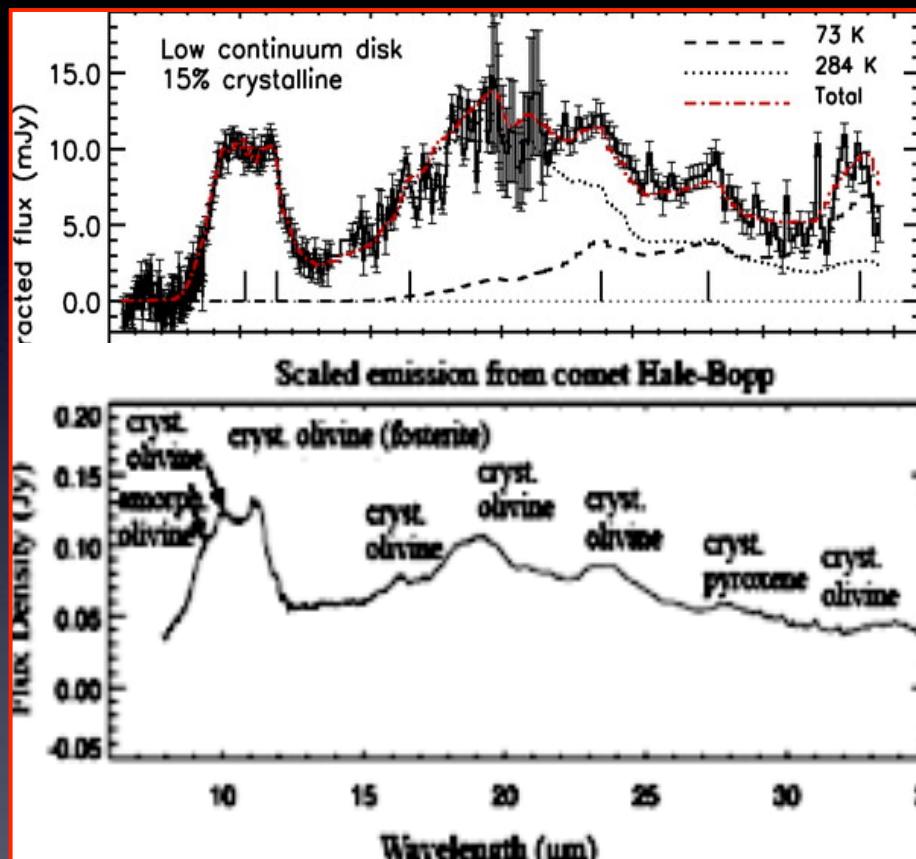
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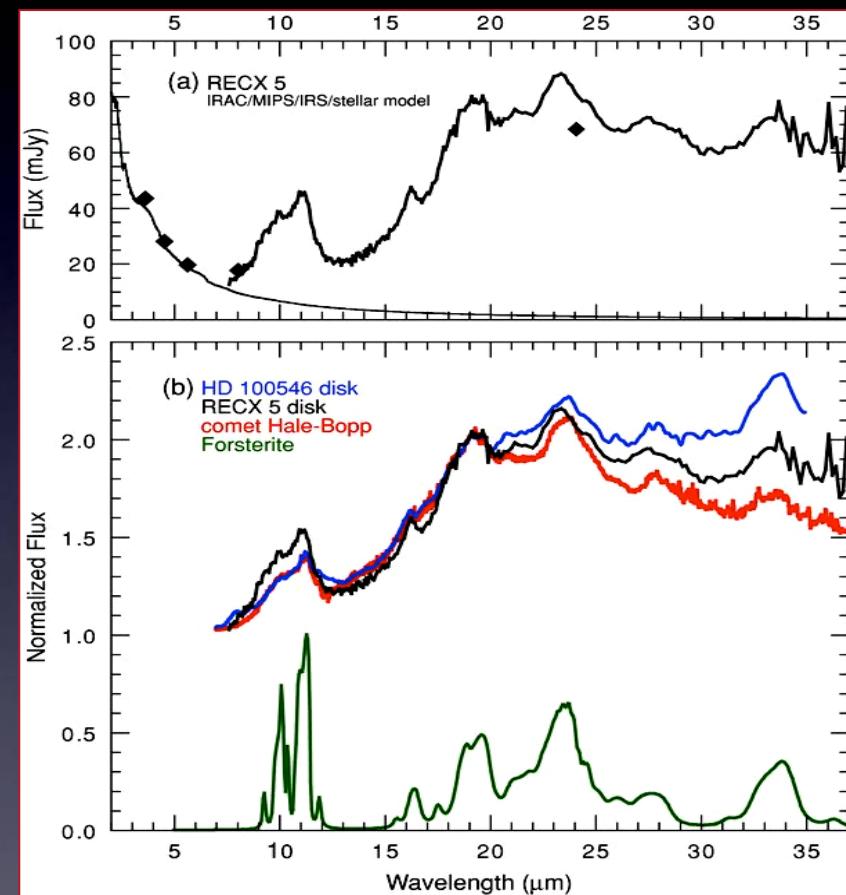
- lines excited in the 0.1 – 10 AU disc region (planet formation zone)
- presence of O-, C- & N-chemistry: prebiotical molecules ??
- detection rate of molecular emission at least 10 times more in solar-type stars than in massive stars (photodestruction in AB stars?)

Abundant crystalline silicates with Spitzer and planet formation

SST-Lup3-1 (Merin et al. 2007):
YSO discovered in the c2d
 $M = 0.1 M_{\odot}$

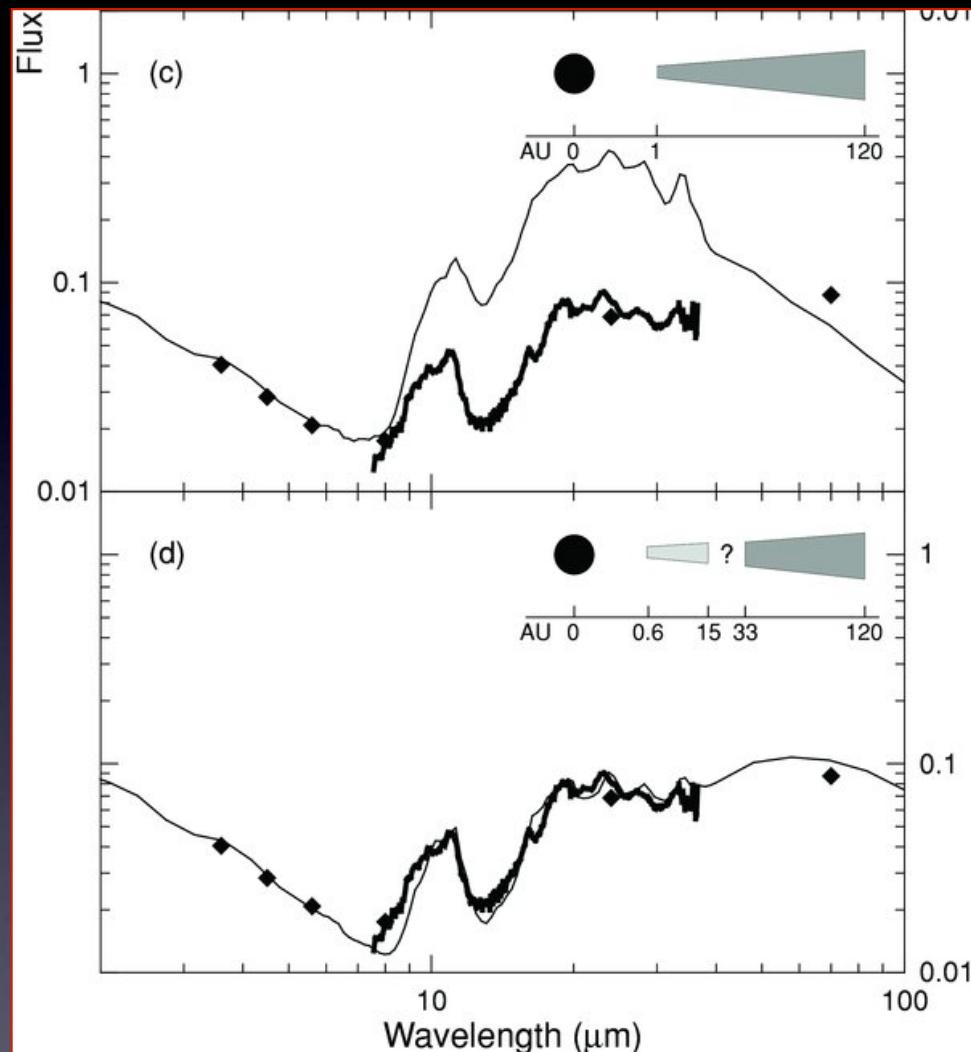


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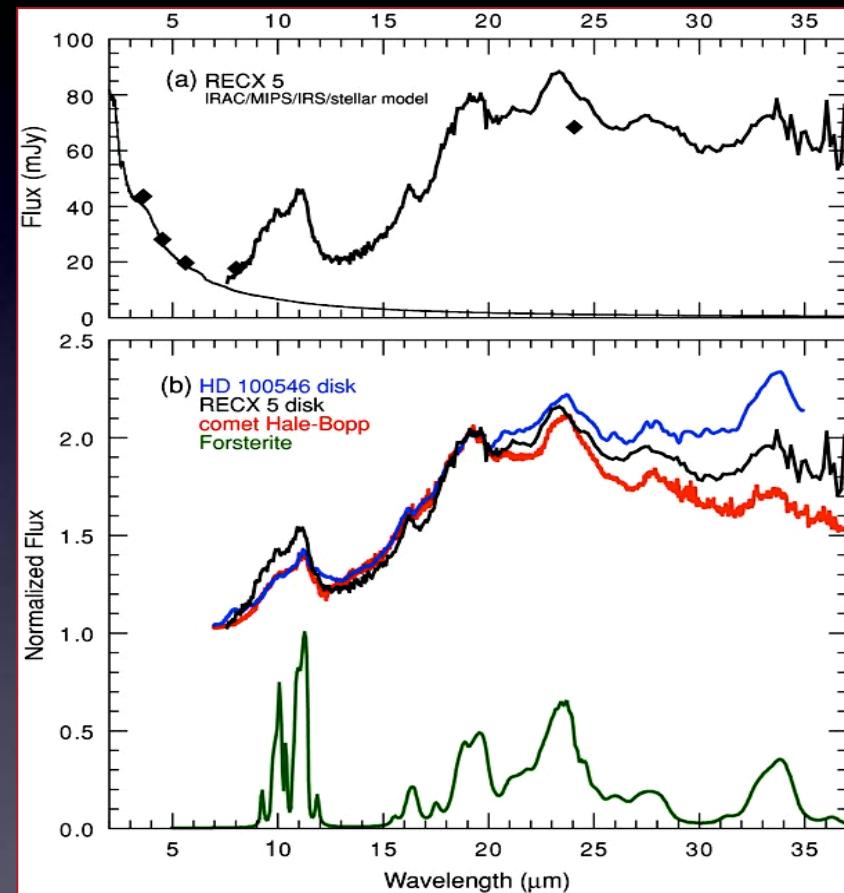


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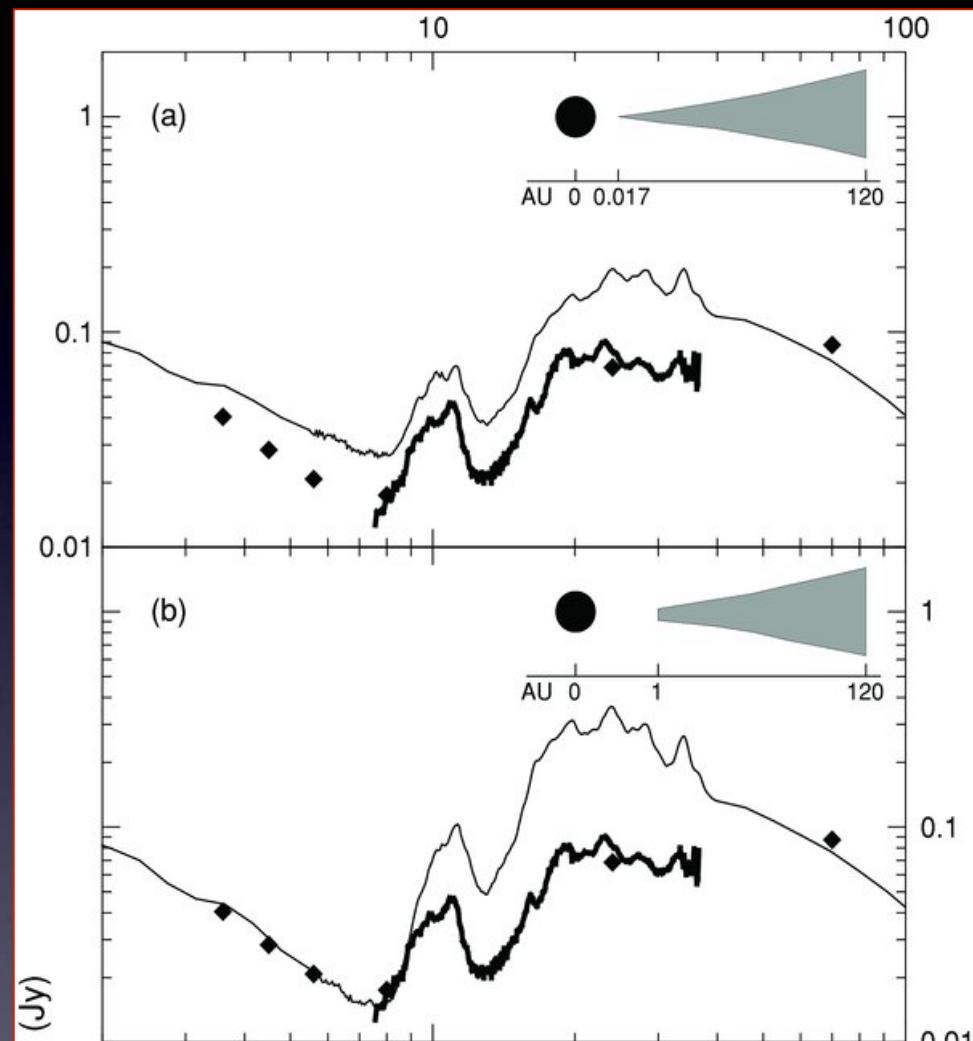


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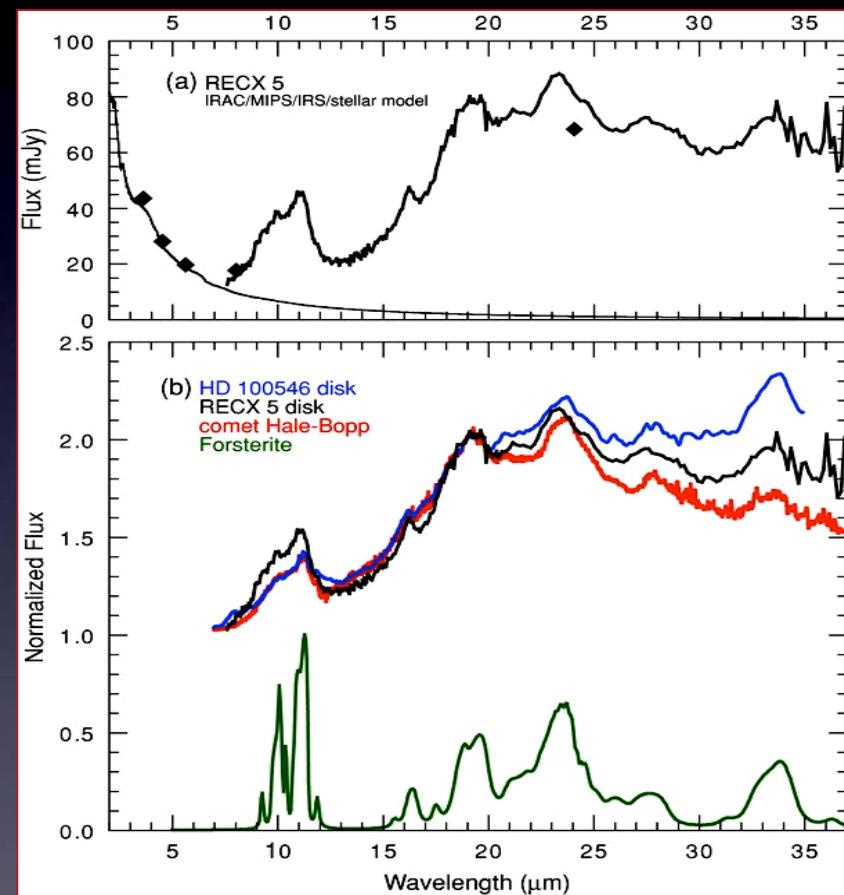


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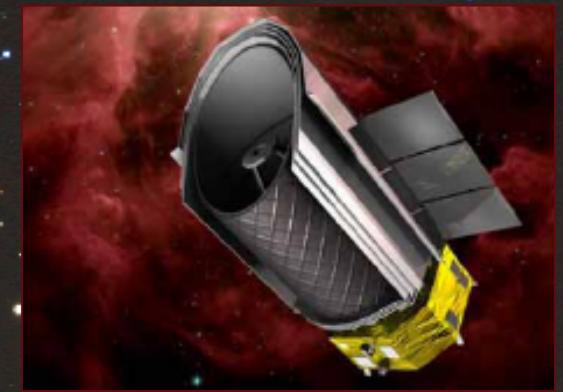
- diversity of SEDs
- different types of proto-planetary discs → disc evolution
- discs at all mass regimes, down to planetary mass objects
- SED modelling → disc parameters
- results on transitional discs: planet formation
- debris disk still to be explored



What have we learned from Spitzer ?

Spectroscopy (IRS)

- a large variety of atomic and molecular emission in thick discs
- differences between high and low-mass regimes ?
- little emission in transitional discs, but very low statistics
- abundant crystalline silicates down to the DB domain
- structure and composition of transitional discs not yet explored
- debris discs still unexplored



What can we learn from SPICA ?



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I. Young optically thick discs

II. Transitional discs

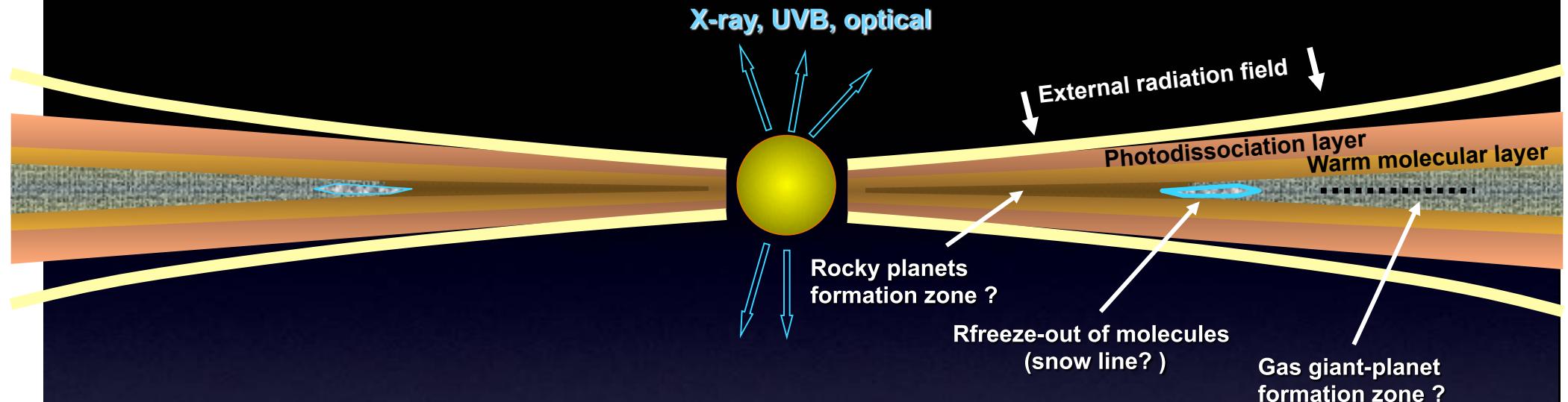
III. Debris discs



Optically thick discs with SPICA

- more precise SED modeling, down to planetary-mass YSOs
- better estimates of disc/envelope parameters and link with star physical parameters down to BD-mass regime
- chemistry of proto-planetary discs: effects of UVB radiation
- study of pre-biological species: NH_3 , CH_4 , H_2O
- outflows throughout the mass spectrum (Nisini's talk)
- studies at low metallicity environment
- more in talks by Nisini & Podio

Planet formation in transitional discs



- accretion of gas onto rocky / icy cores of few M_{earth}
- grav. instability: overdense clumps \rightarrow quick gas dissipation (< 10 Myr)



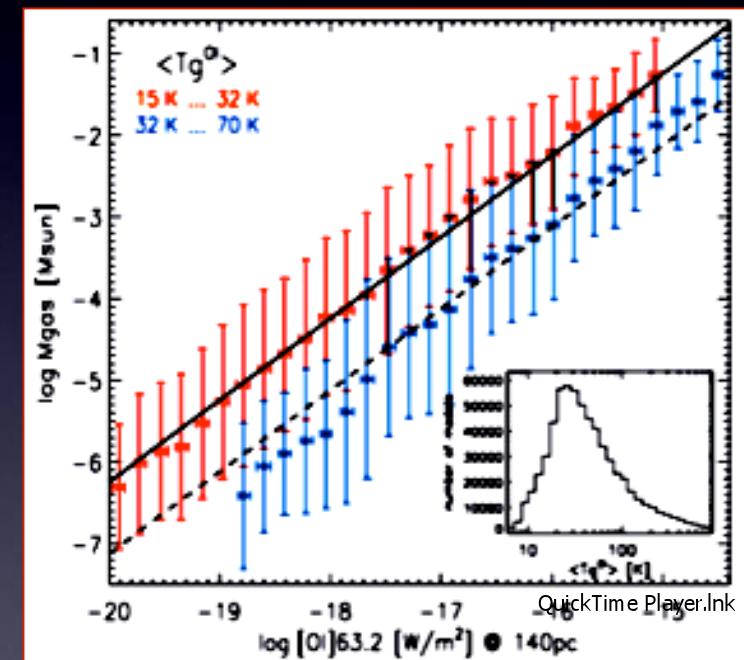
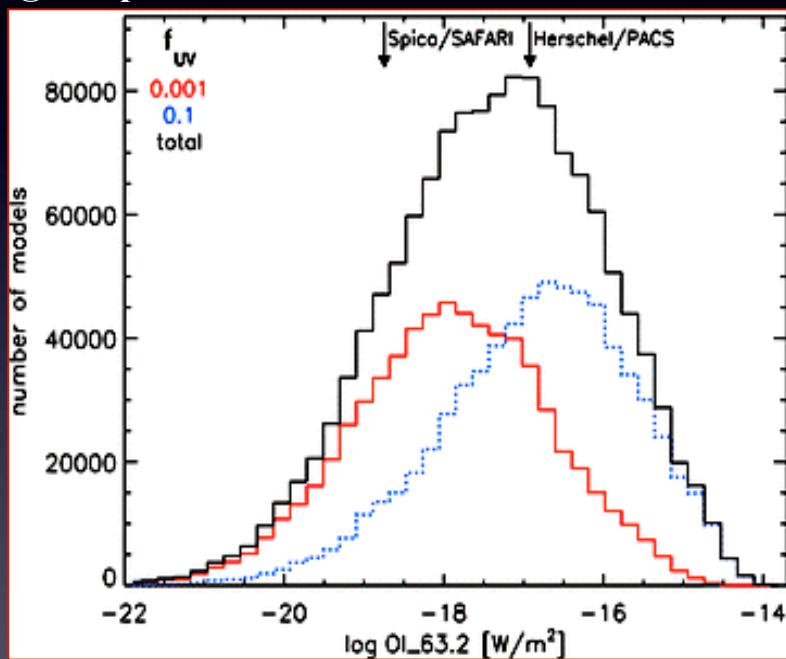
Amount of gas in TDs ?

Continuum and line modelling of discs

Woitke et al. (2010, MNRAS 405, L26): Radiative transfer in transition discs

- 300,000 models
- disc mass, flaring & dust and gas parameters
- [OI] (63 μ m), [OI] (145 μ m), [SI] (56 μ m), H₂O, OH, CO

@ 140 pc



- ➔ strong dependence on UVB radiation field and disc flaring
- ➔ less flaring ➔ less UVB irradiation ➔ fainter lines
- ➔ strong dependence on disc mass