

# The Impact of Ram Pressure Stripping on Star Formation both Inside and Outside of Galaxies

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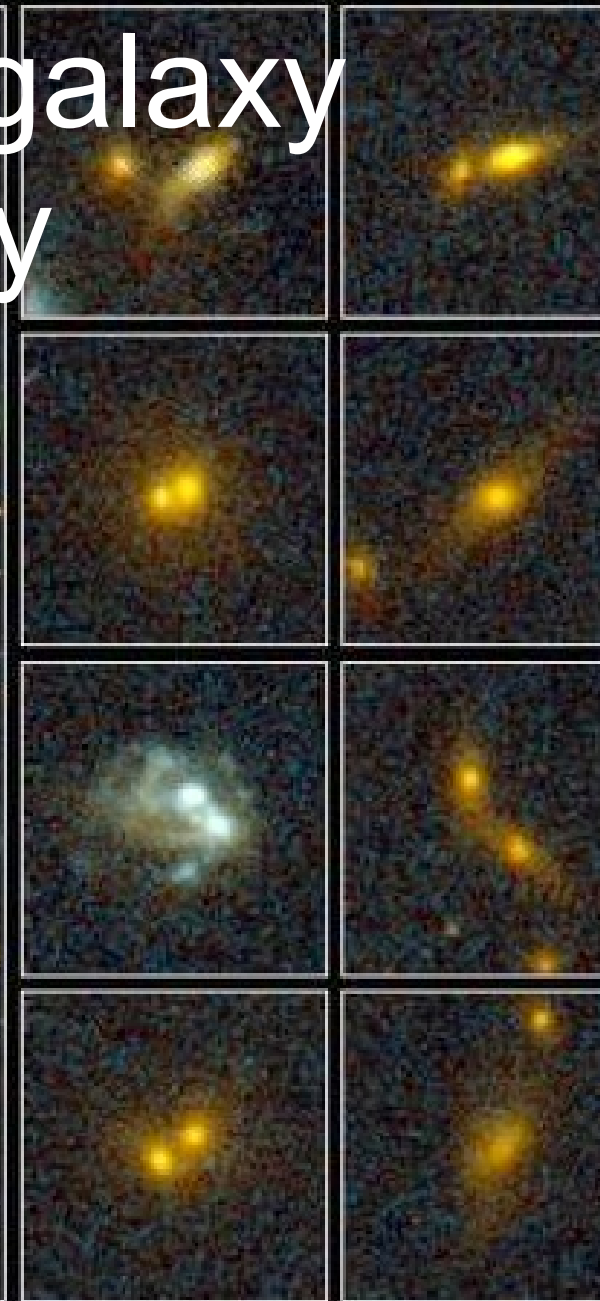
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# Environment & galaxy morphology

Density-  
Morphology  
relation (Oemler  
1974, Dressler 1976)

Butcher-  
Oemler effect  
(Butcher & Oemler  
1978)

Evolution of  
Spirals to S0s  
(Dressler et al. 1997)



**Galaxy Cluster MS1054-03**

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# How do you make an S0 from a Spiral?

## 1) Redden the spiral

- > Remove gas (passive spirals e.g. Moran et al. 2007; Poggianti et al. 1999)

## 2) Smooth out the spiral arms

- > Remove gas (Bekki et al. 2002 find spiral arms lost 3.5 Gyr after gas removal)

## 3) Increase the Bulge/Disk ratio

- > Dim the disk

- > Grow the bulge

A history of discussion, e.g.: Solanes et al. (1989); Burstein et al. (2005); Christlein & Zabludoff (2004)

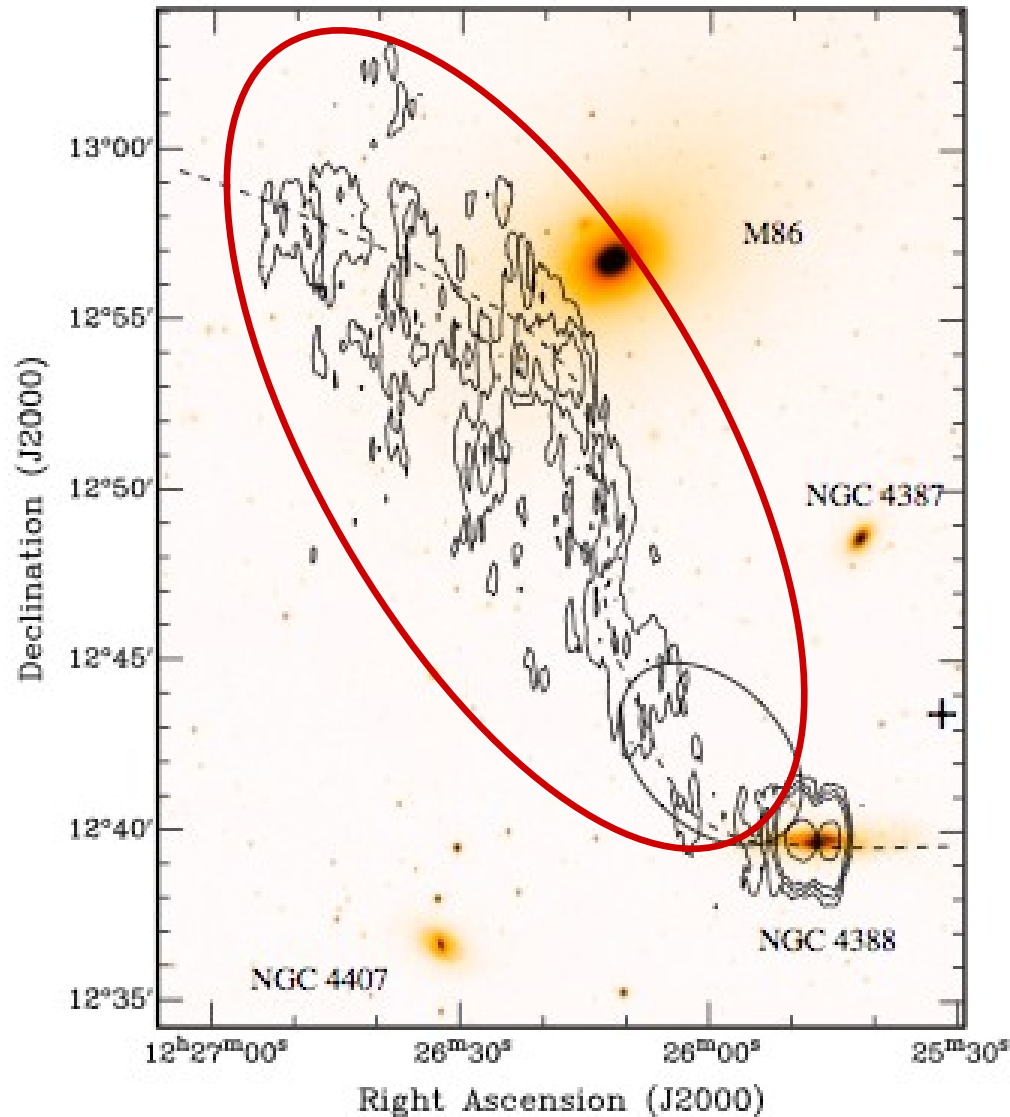
# Ram Pressure Stripping

$$P = \rho v^2$$

(Gunn and  
Gott 1972)

**Directly  
affects  
only gas**

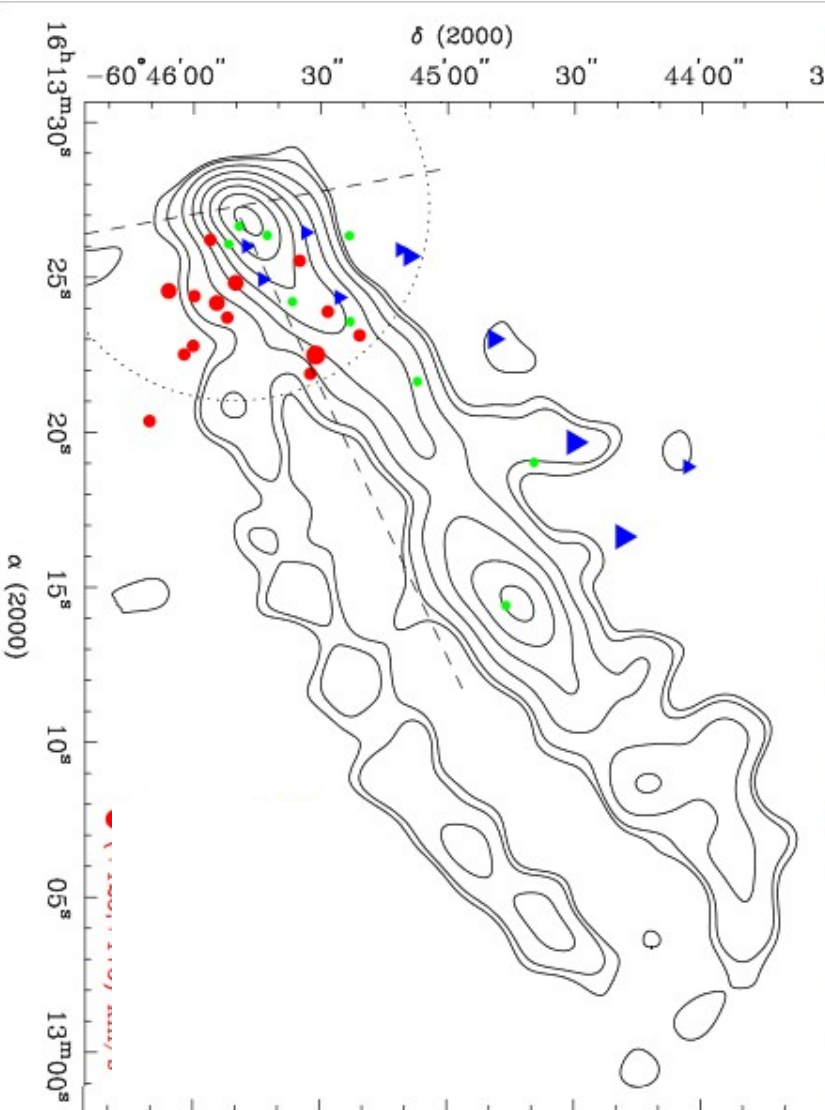
# Long tails have been observed in HI, X-rays, and H $\alpha$



**~110 kpc  
tail**

Oosterloo &  
van Gorkom  
2005

# Star Formation in Stripped Tails



Sun et al. (2009)

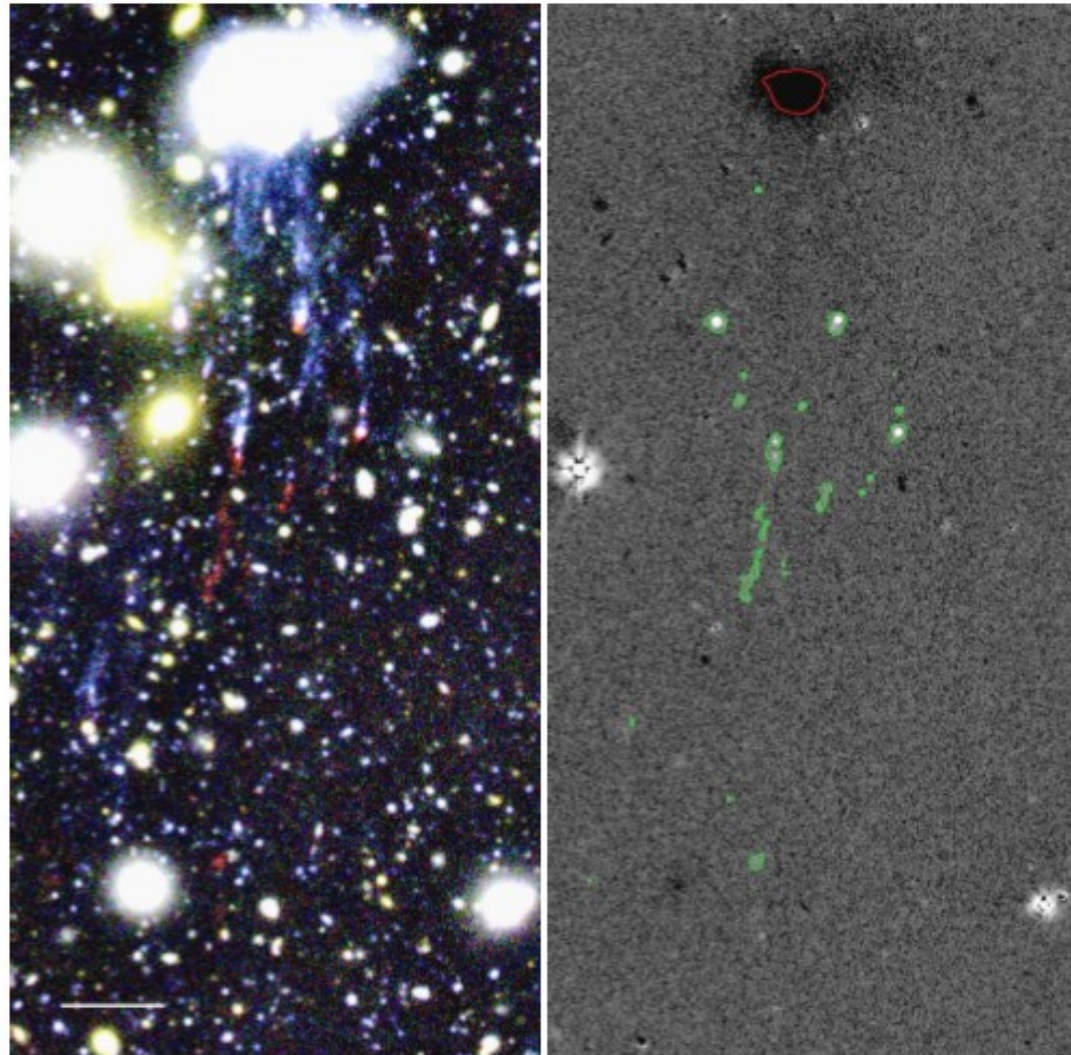


FIG. 4L.— Same as Figure 4A, but of GMP4060.

Yagi et al. (2010)

# Zooming in to Highly Resolved Simulations of Ram Pressure Stripping

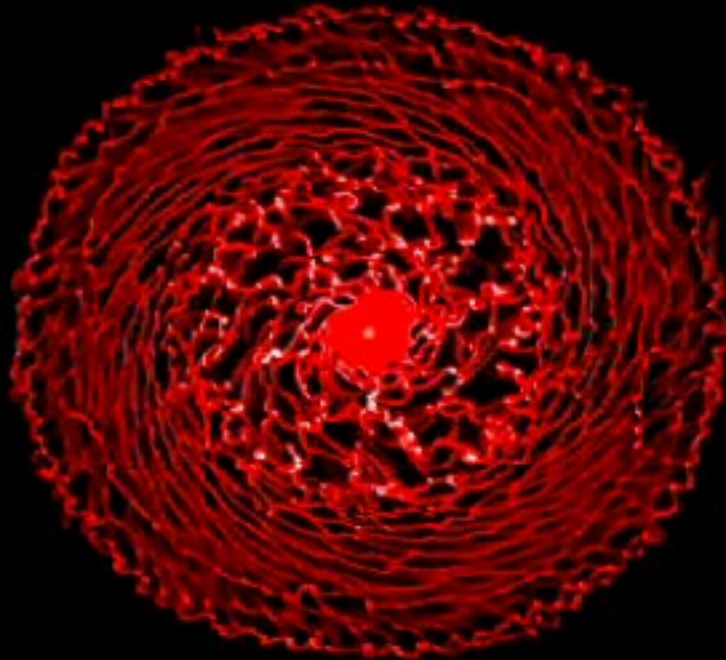


93 kpc

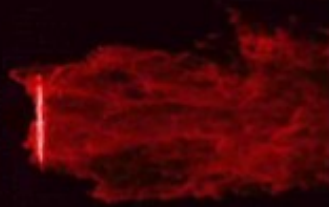
*Enzo*  
(AMR)

Resolution  
38 pc

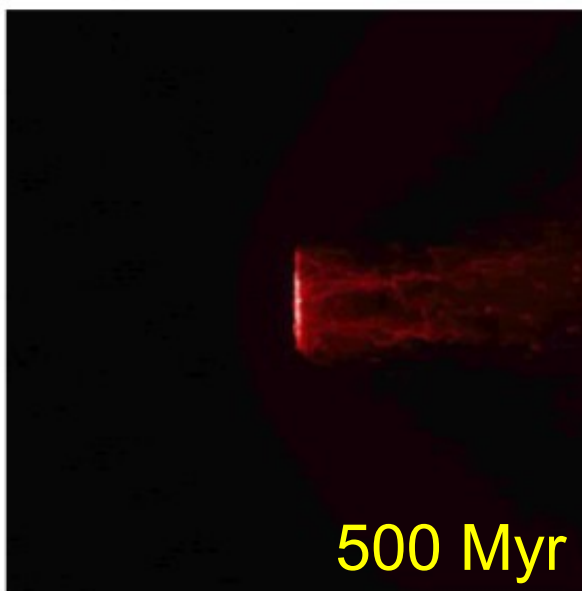
Cooling to  
300 K



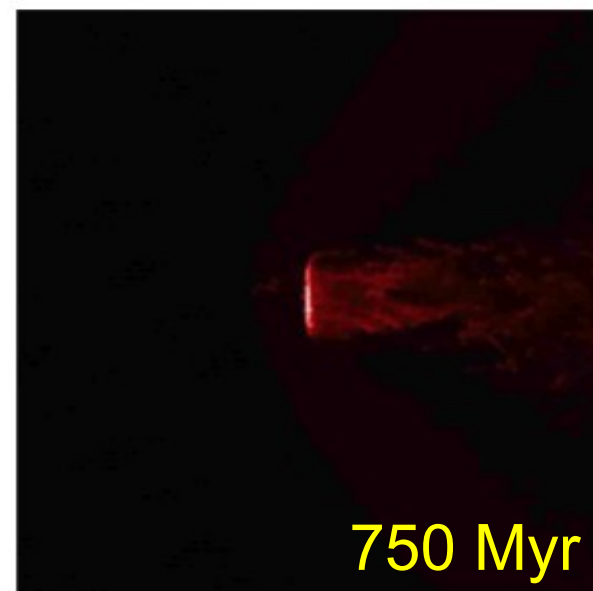
edge-on view



250 Myr

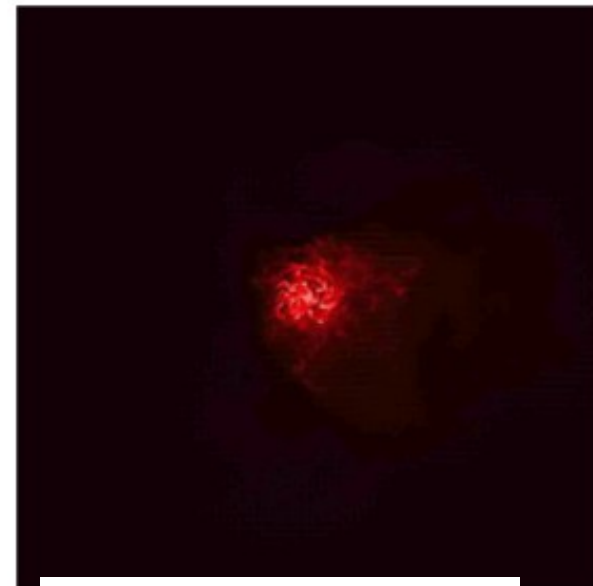
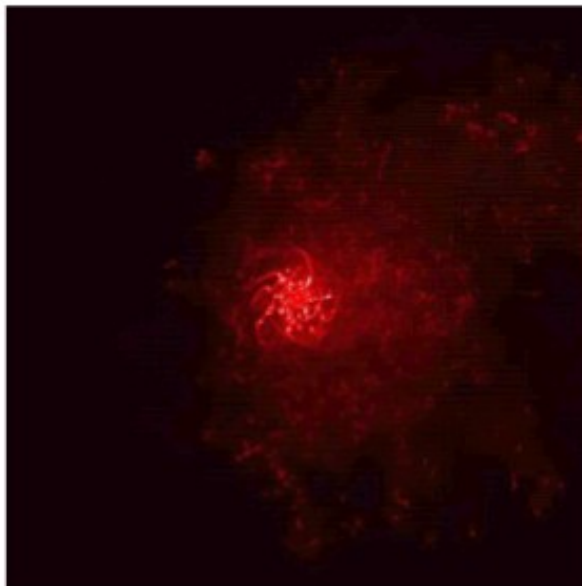
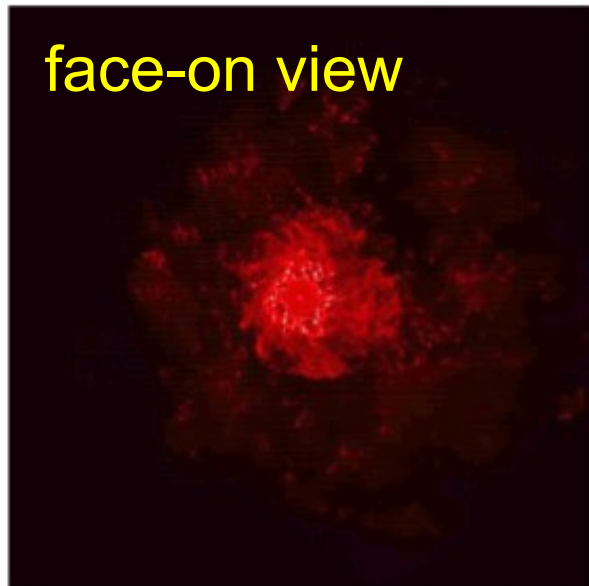


500 Myr



750 Myr

face-on view



$$P_{\text{ram}} = 6.4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ dyn cm}^{-2}$$

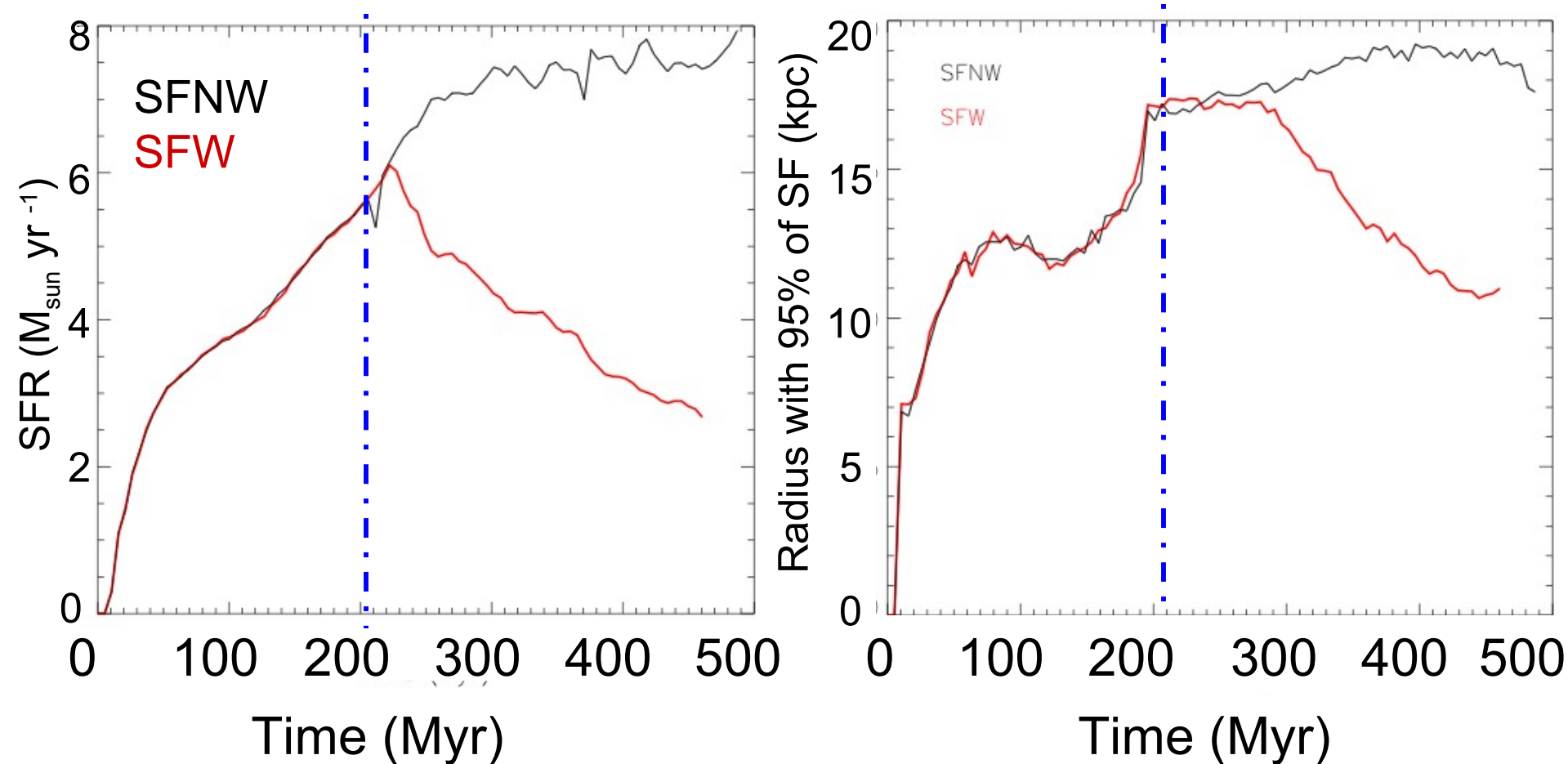
$$n = 3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$v = 1413 \text{ km s}^{-1}$$

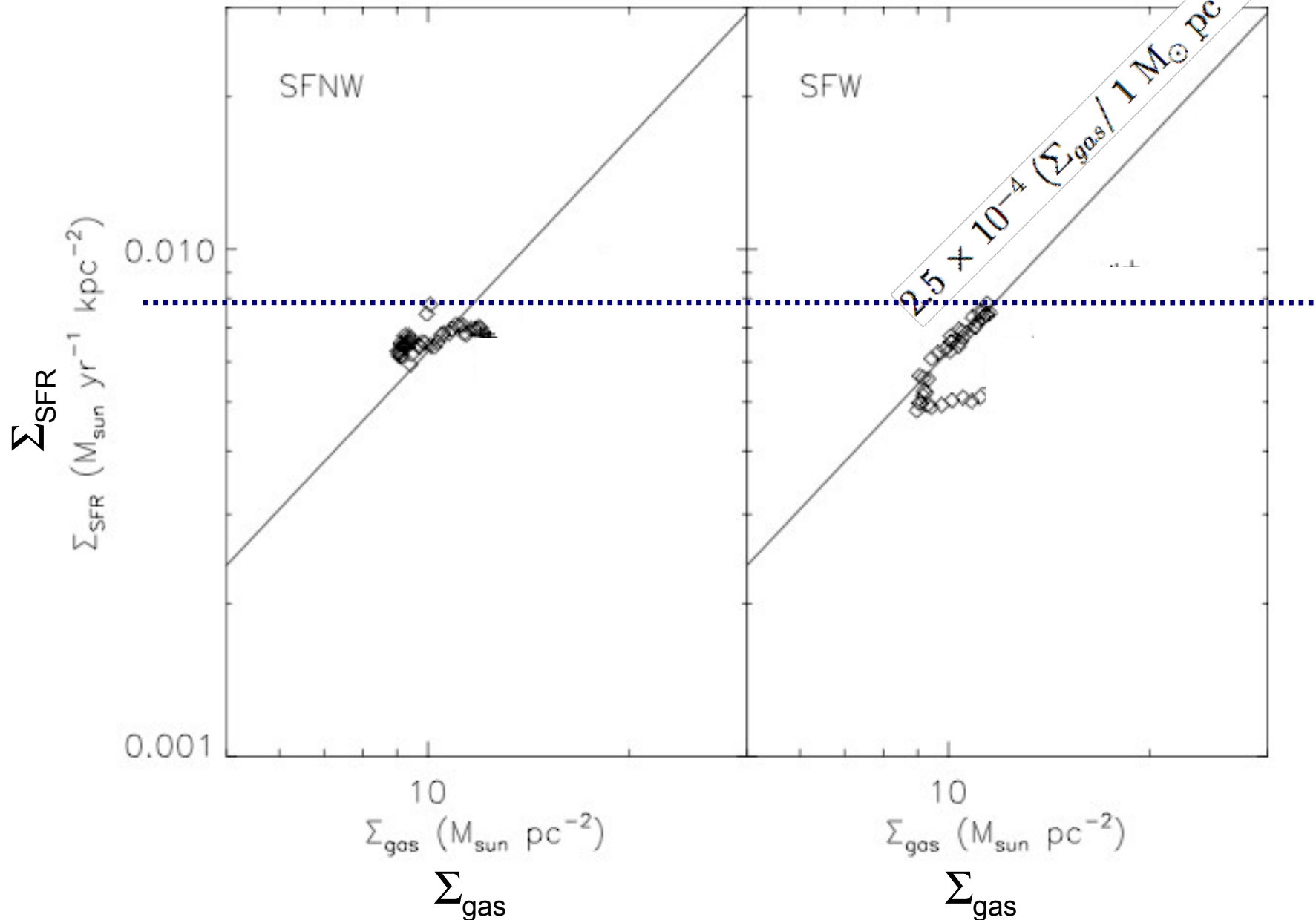
The ram pressure experienced at about the virial radius of a cluster with  $M = 6 \times 10^{14} M_{\text{sun}}$  (Tonnesen, Bryan & van Gorkom 2007)



# Star Formation in the Disk

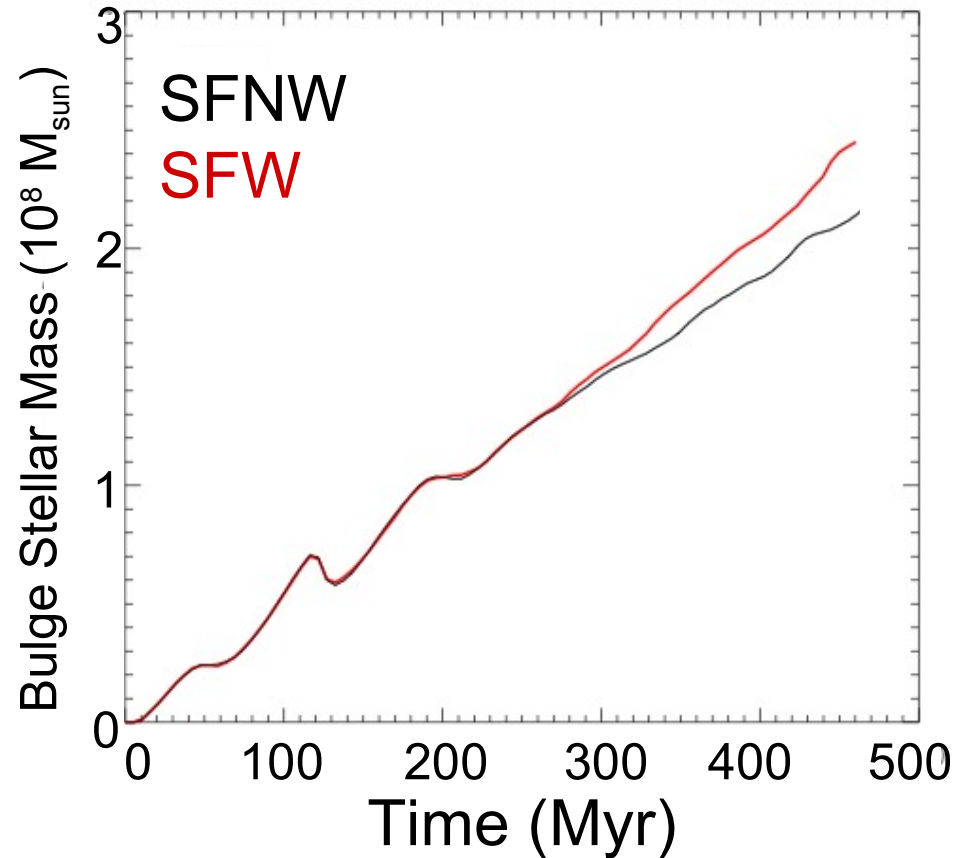
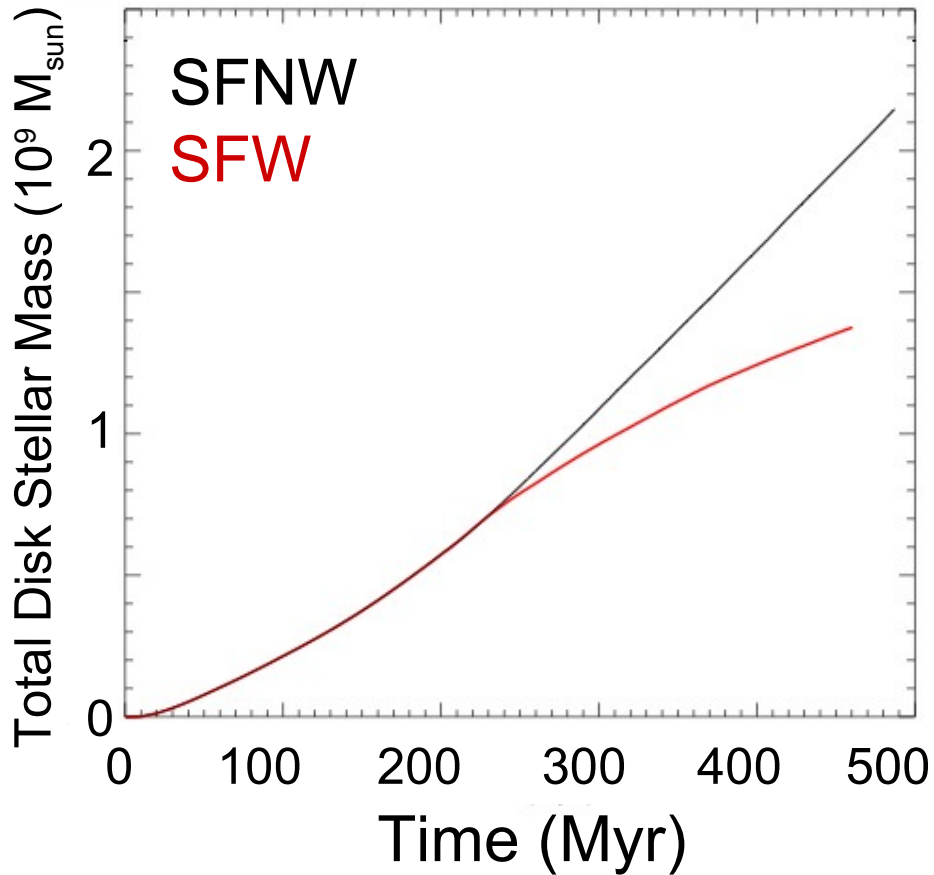


# Kennicutt-Schmidt Law



# Stellar Mass in the Disk and Bulge

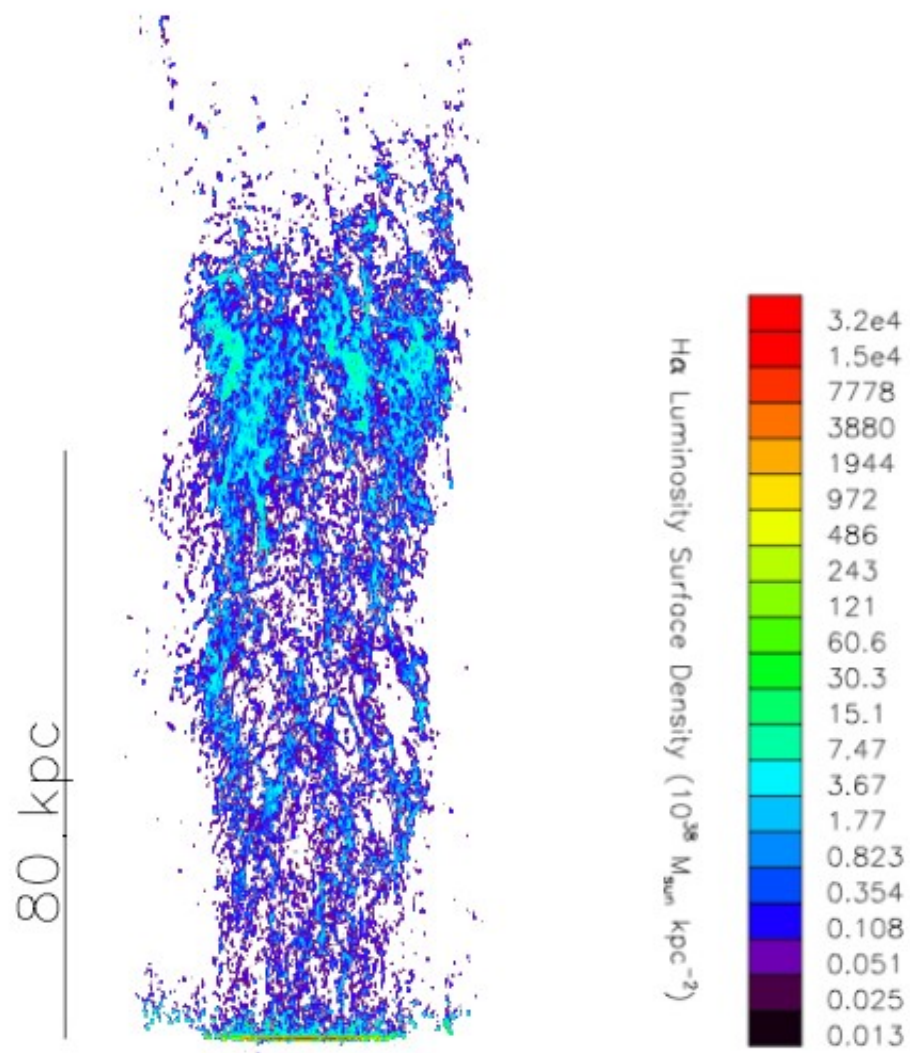
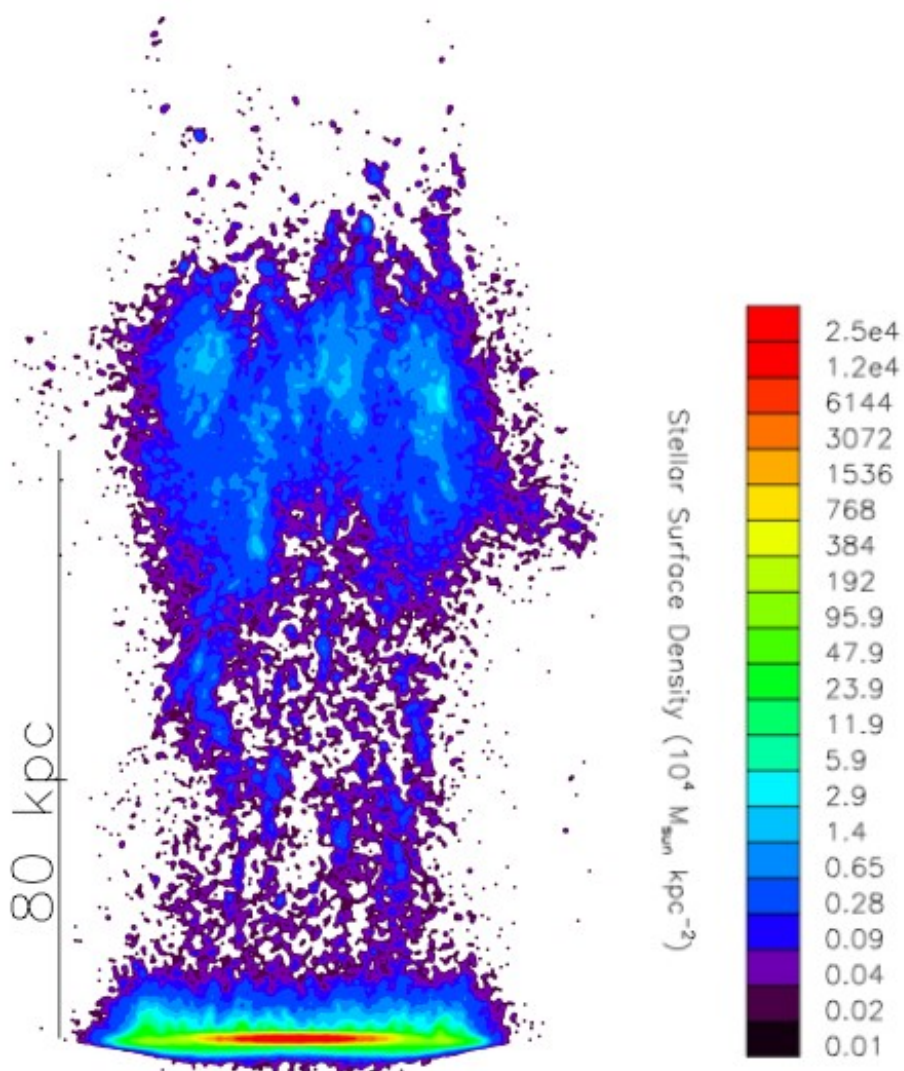
## Does RPS grow the bulge?



B/T ( $M_{\text{new}^*}$ ): SFNW  $\sim 0.1$  SFW  $\sim 0.2$

BUT, the galaxy began with  $M_* = 10^{11}$  and  $M_{\text{bulge}} = 10^{10}$

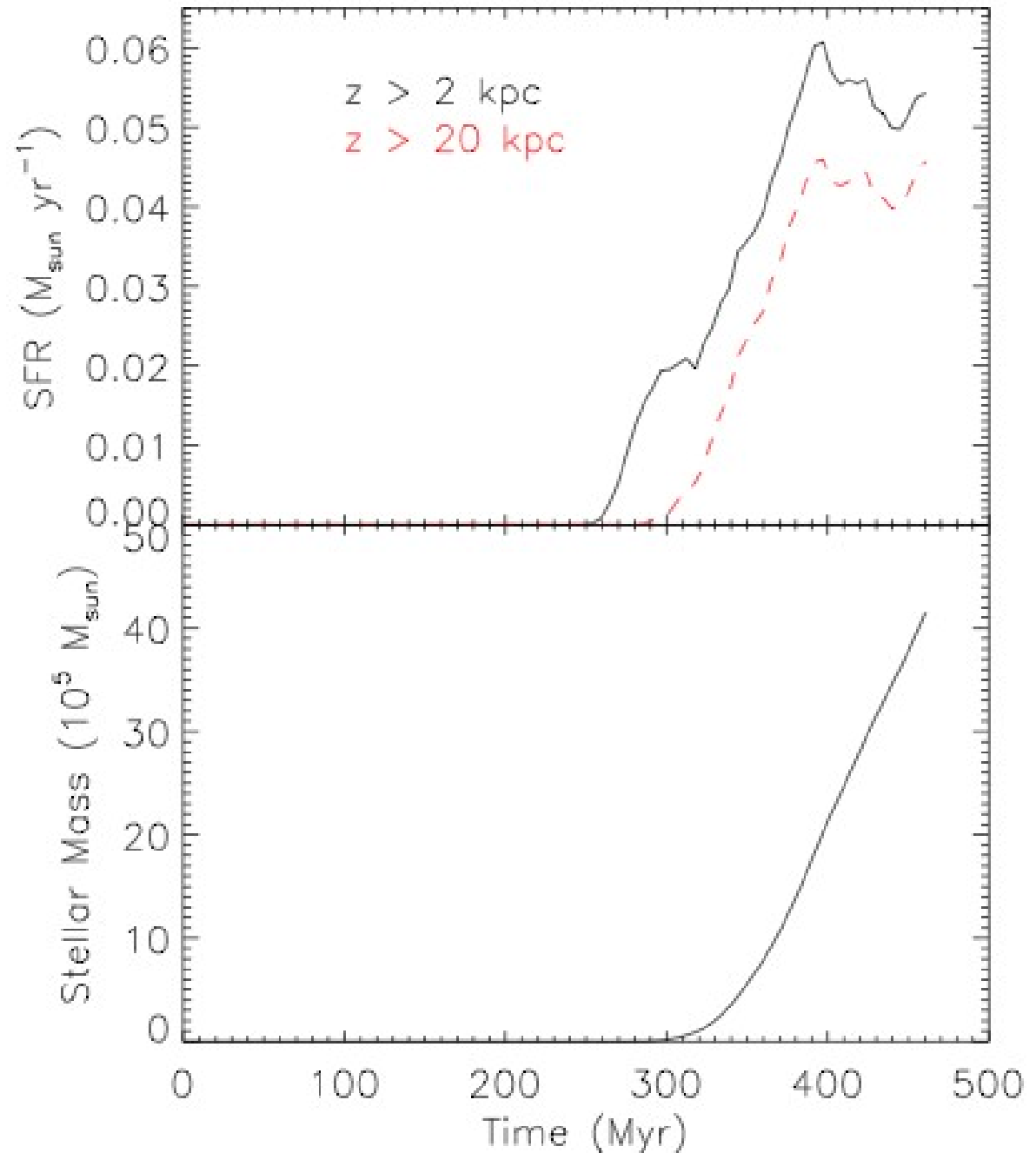
# The Stellar Tail



# Does this add to the ICL?

Less than 1% of  
the mass of stripped  
gas turns into stars

The stellar mass  
formed in the tail is  
less than 10% of the  
mass of new stars in  
the disk



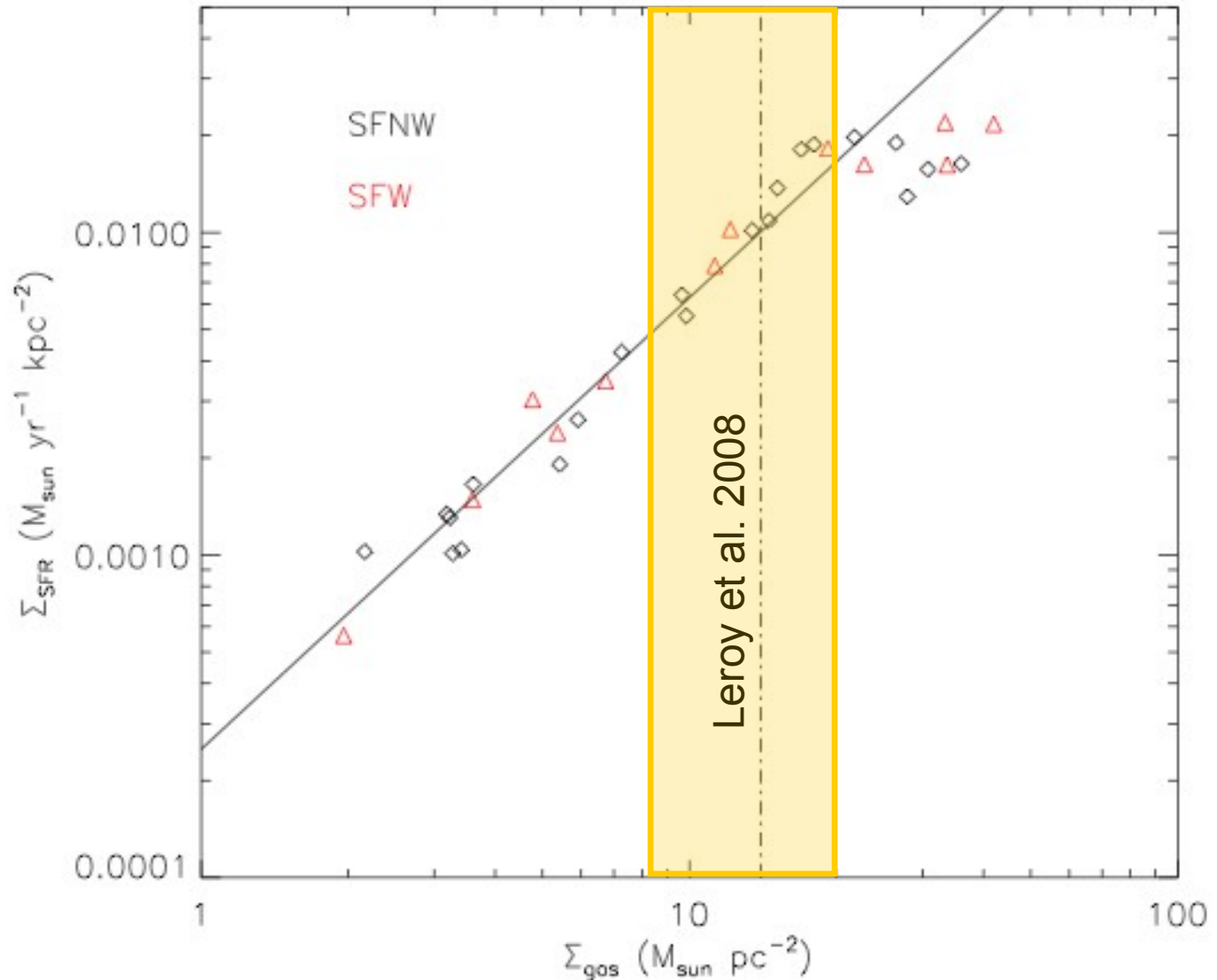
# Conclusions

- RPS does not increase the total SFR inside a galaxy, either through the increase of the surrounding ICM pressure or through a shock
- RPS does not affect the relationship between  $\Sigma_{\text{gas}}$  and  $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$
- RPS increased the bulge stellar mass relative to a galaxy with no ICM wind
- RPS does add a small and seemingly insignificant amount of stellar mass to the ICL

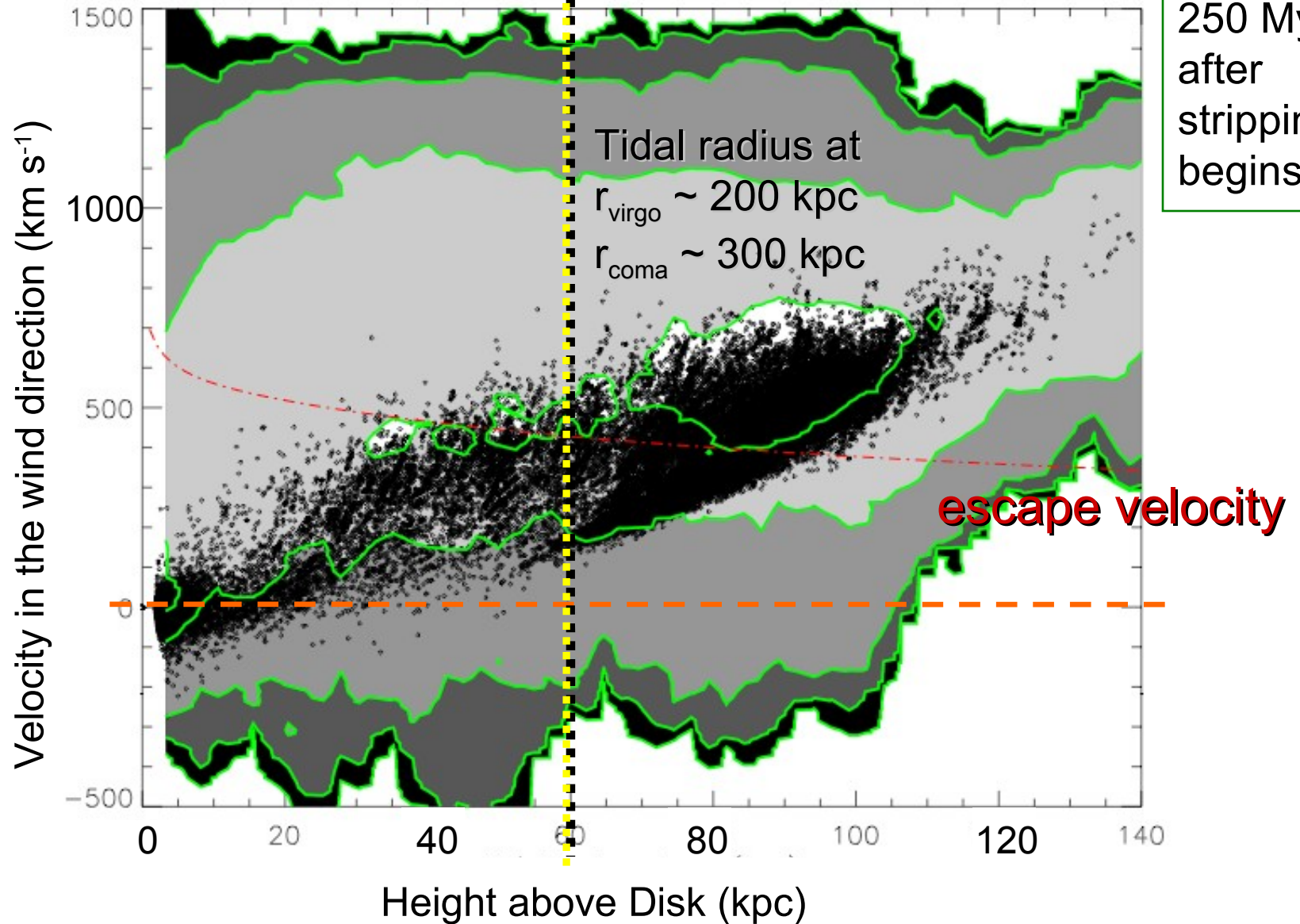
# The Local Schmidt Law

Whether or not wind is included, the galaxies fall along the same relationship between  $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$  and  $\Sigma_{\text{gas}}$ .

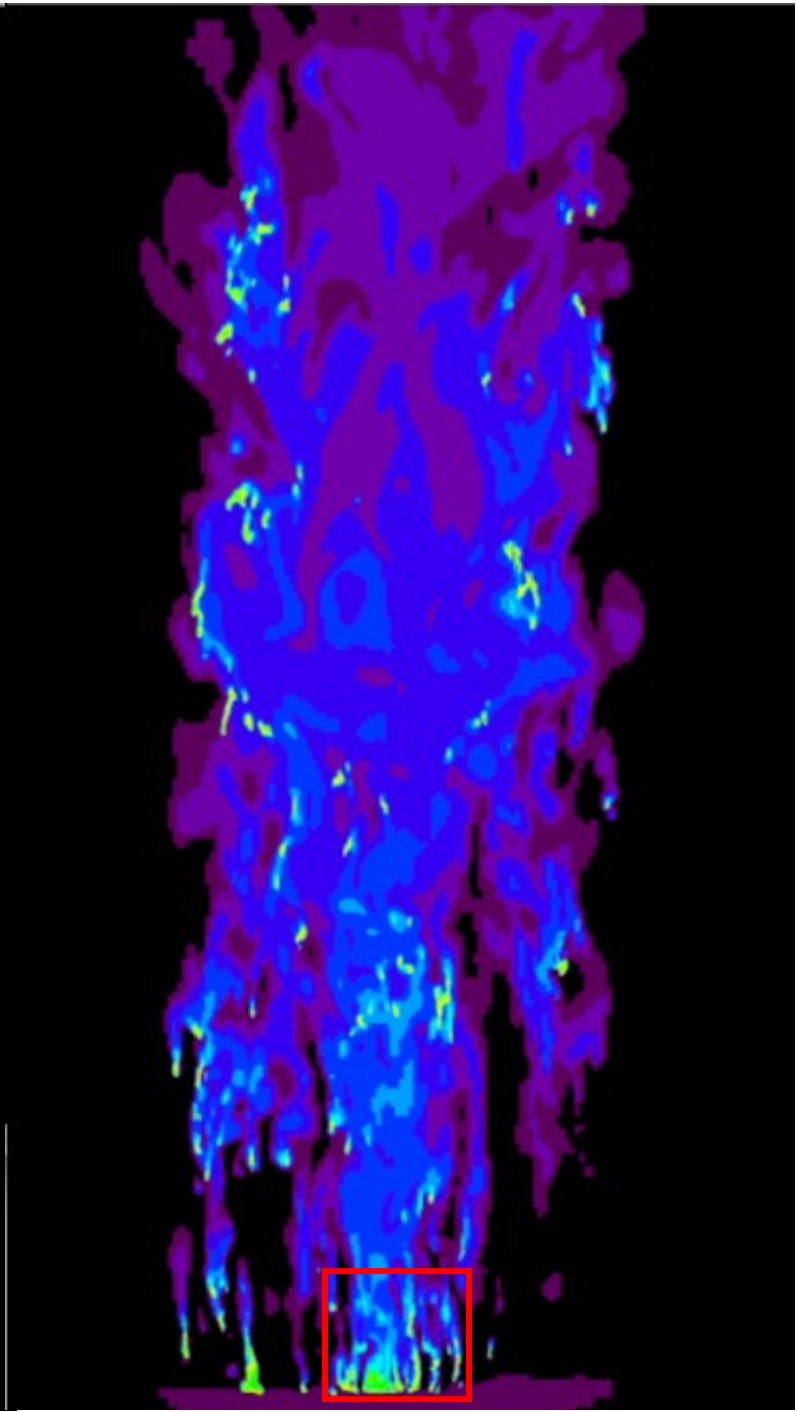
The  $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$  flattens at the same  $\Sigma_{\text{gas}}$  observationally found by Leroy+ (2008) (THINGS)

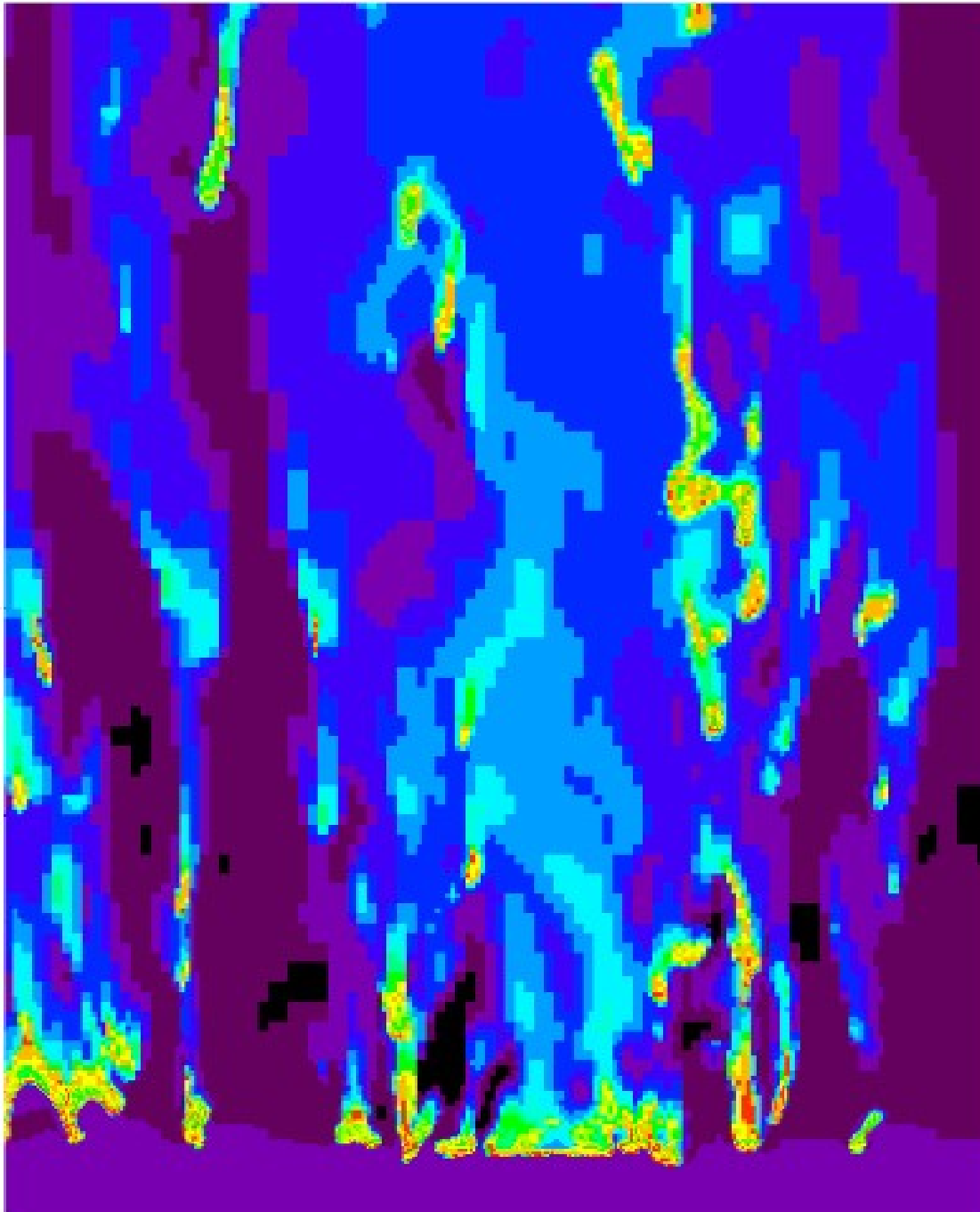


# Stars Throughout the Tail









Clouds are marginally resolved and we do see mixing with the ICM.

# Tonnesen vs Kapferer

AMR

cells in disk  $\sim 5 \times 10^7$

Mass refinement:  $4900 M_{\text{sun}}$

cooling: 300 K

$T_{\text{SF}}: 1.1 \times 10^4 \text{ K}$

$\rho_{\text{SF}}: 3.85 \times 10^{-25} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$

SPH

particles in disk:  $2 \times 10^5$

particle Mass:  $3.4 \times 10^4 M_{\text{sun}}$

cooling:  $10^4 \text{ K}$

$T_{\text{SF}}: 10^6 \text{ K}$

$\rho_{\text{SF}}: \sim 7 \times 10^{-26} \text{ g cm}^{-3} (?)$

