



Results from the EDGES Survey

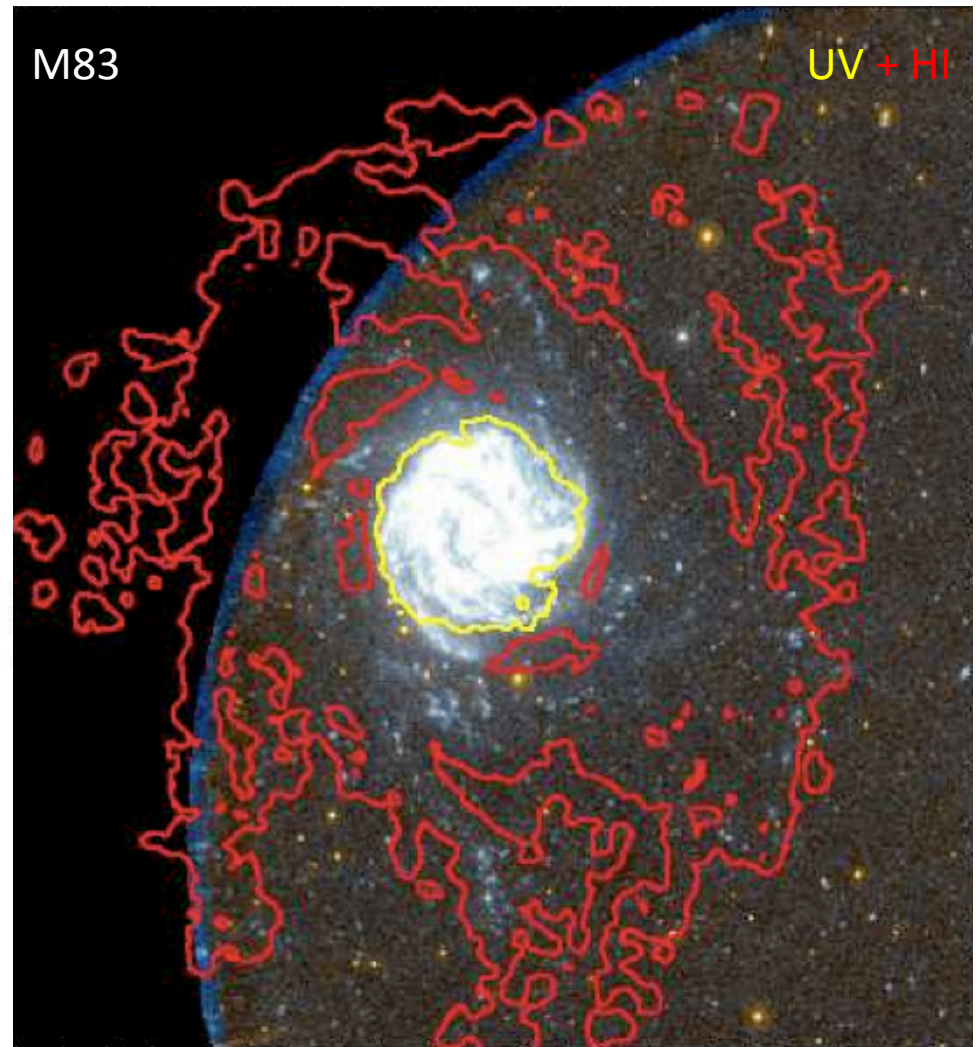
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Background: Galaxy Formation in a Cosmological Context

- Faint stellar streams and tidal debris are expected around most galaxies as a result of hierarchical galaxy formation scenarios.



Faint Stellar Populations: Old and Young

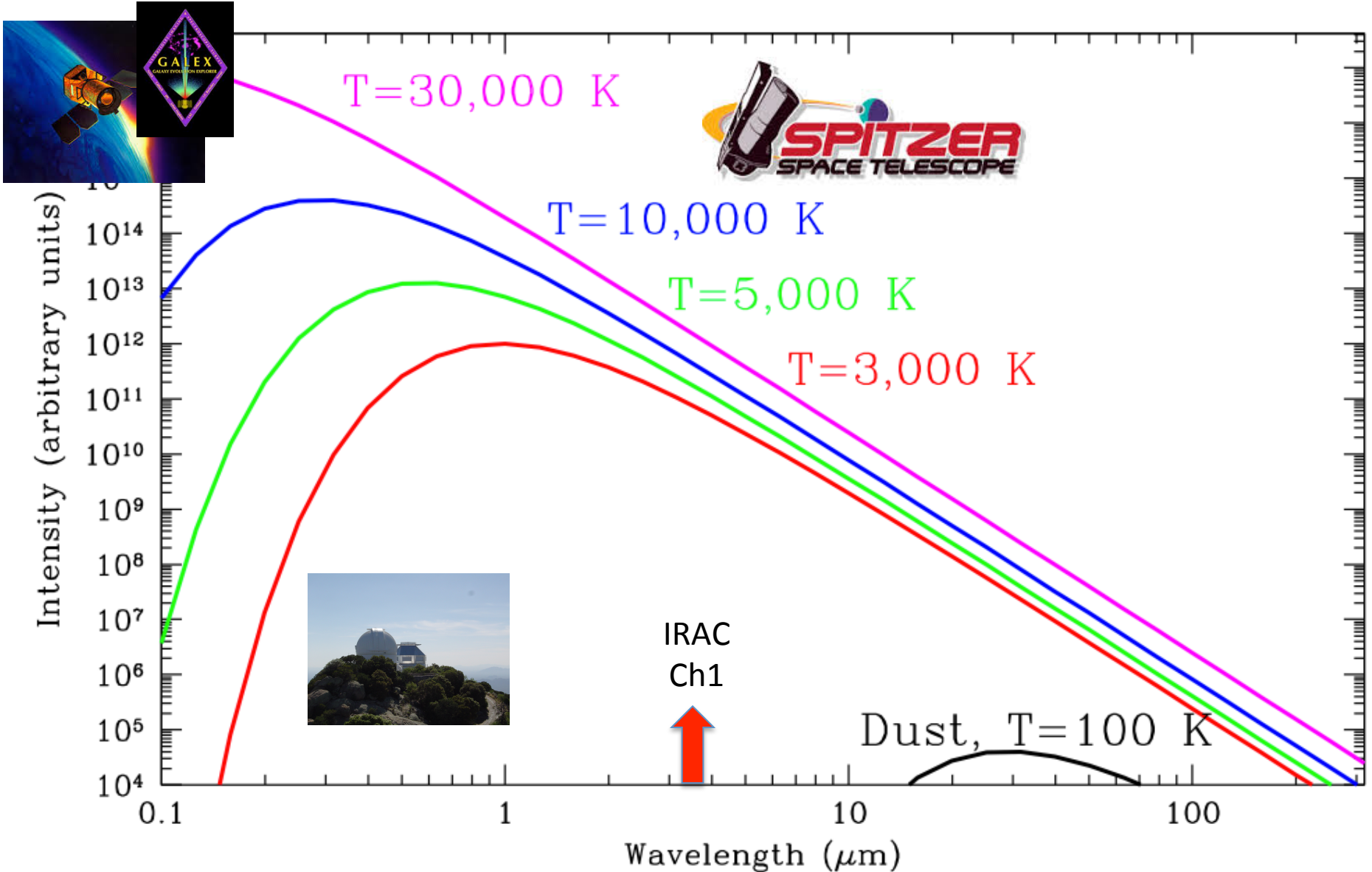


Thilker et al. 2005, ApJ, 619, L79

Martínez-Delgado et al. 2008, ApJ, 689, 184

Why Near-Infrared Observations?

M/L is Less Sensitive to Stellar Population

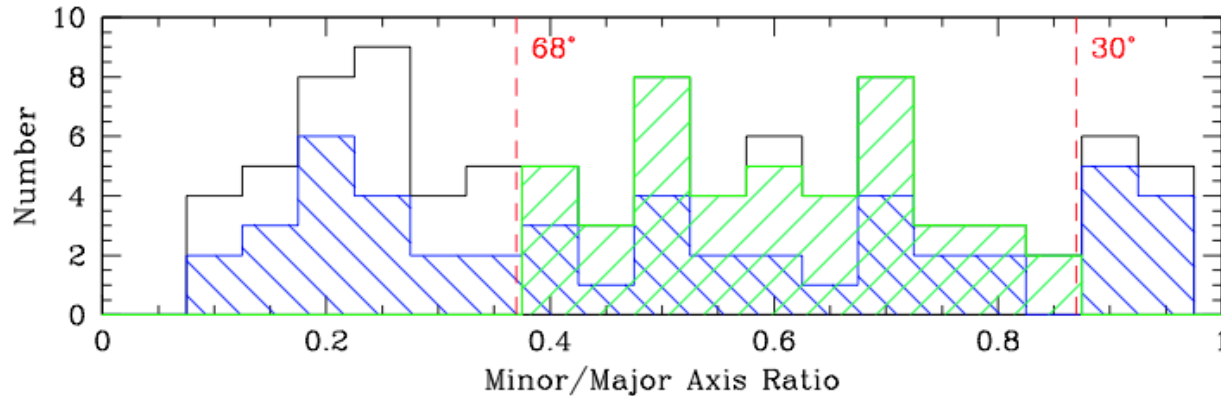


EDGES: Extended Disk Galaxy Exploration Science Survey

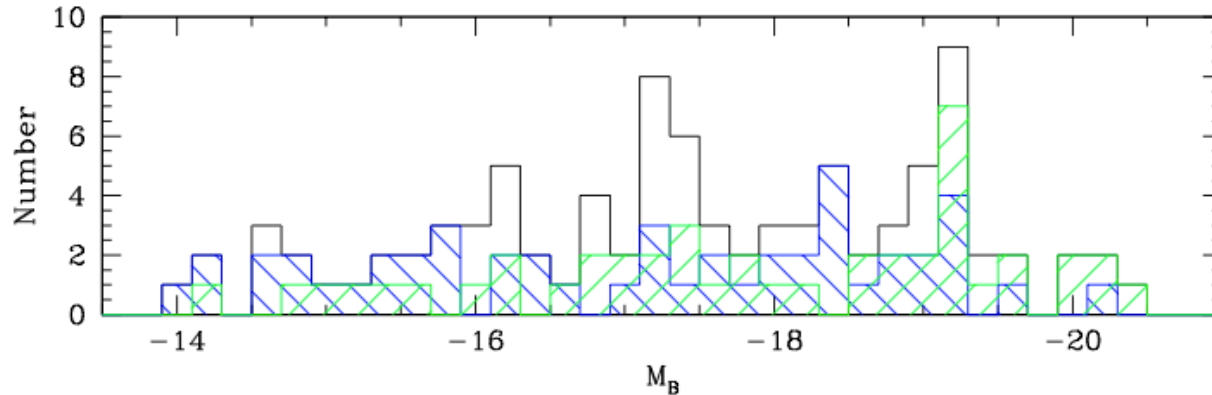
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- *Spitzer* 3.6 μm survey of 92 galaxies, spanning a wide range of morphology, luminosity, and environment.
- We are sensitive to stellar mass surface densities of few $\times 0.01 M_{\odot}/\text{pc}^2$, independent of star formation history.
- Our wide FOV observations allow us to trace substructures out to $5 \times R_{25}$.
- **When the analysis is complete, we will create a census with the first quantitative measurements of low surface brightness features identified around nearby galaxies.**

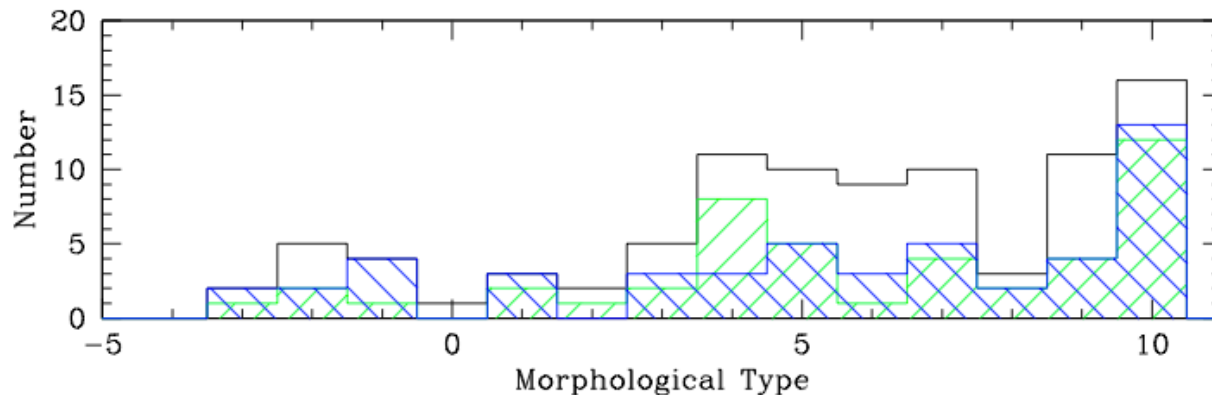
EDGES Sample



- *Black: full EDGES sample*



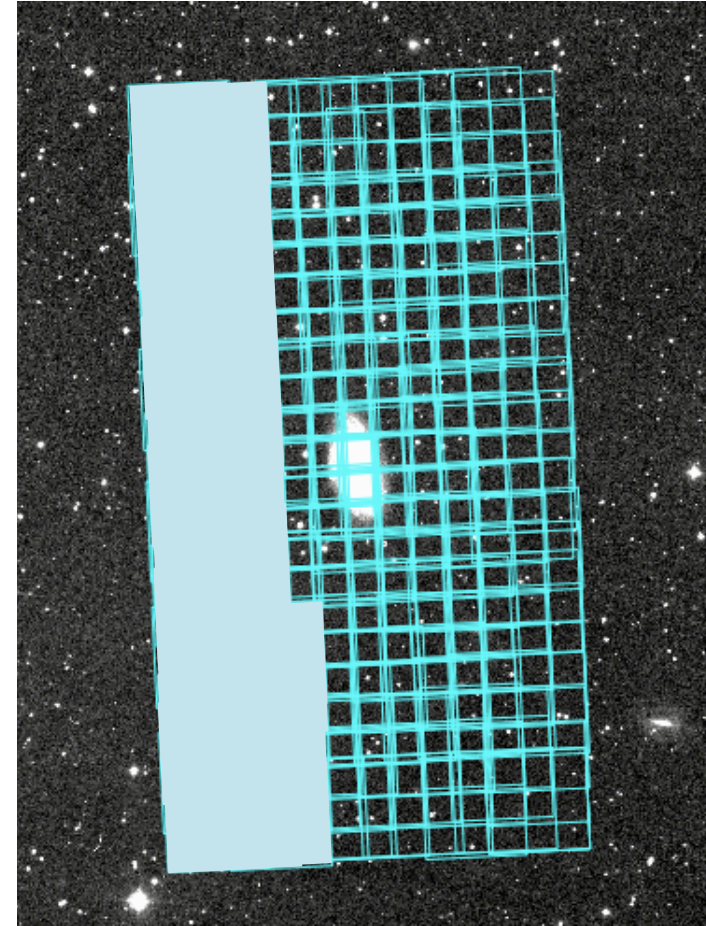
- *Blue: GALEX sub-sample*



- *Green: kinematic sub-sample*

EDGES Survey Design

- **Deep:** 1800 s/pixel
- **Wide:** at least $5 \times R_{25}$
- **IR:** Relatively insensitive to stellar population and dust extinction
- Concerns: sky background stability and point source masking
- Two precursor studies in Cycle 6:
 - M83
 - Dwarf Galaxies with Extended HI Distributions

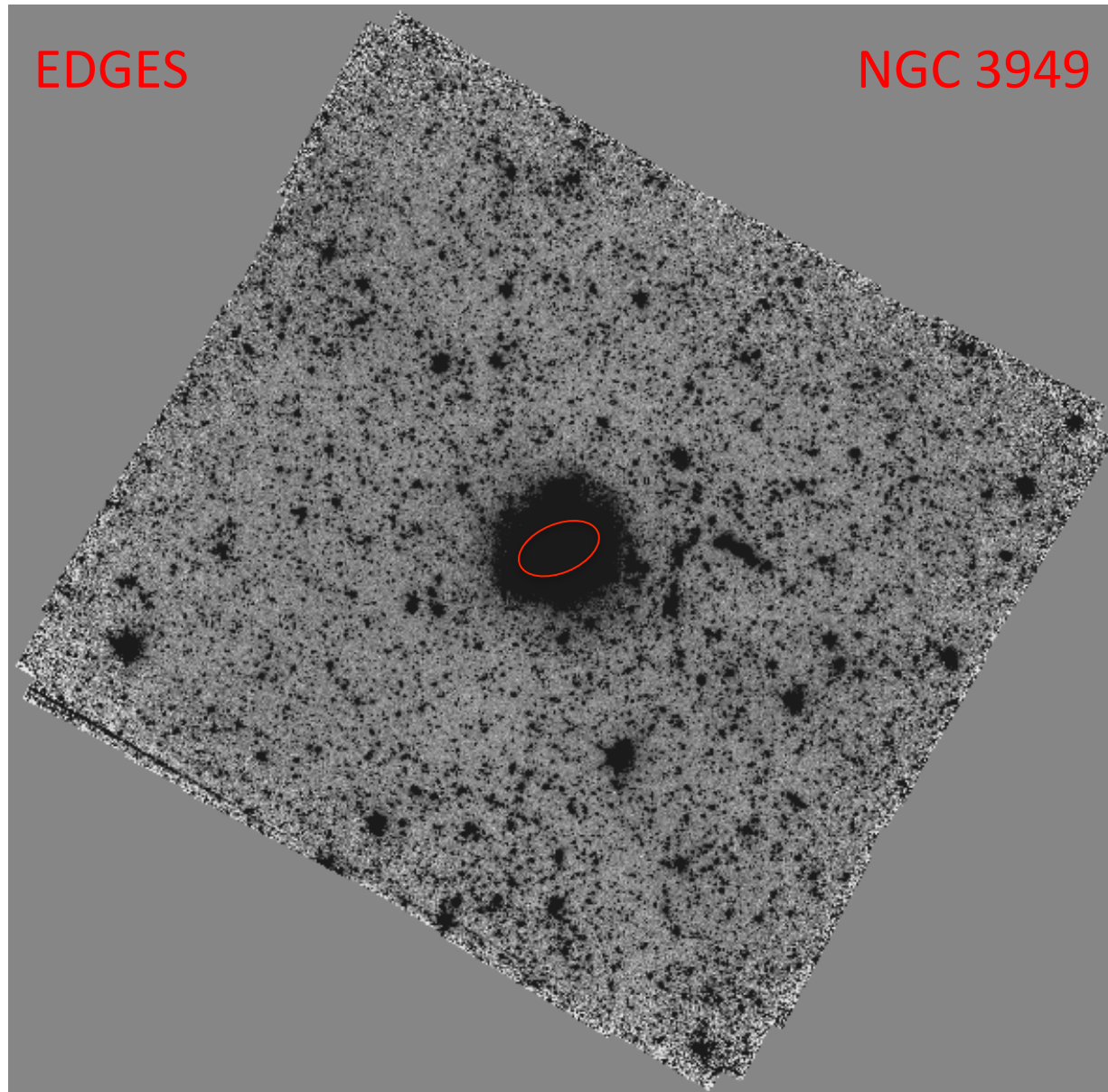


NGC3953: $40' \times 21.7'$
a x b: $6.9' \times 3.5'$

Comparison to Other *Spitzer* Surveys

- For example: SINGS, LVL, S⁴G:
 - Shallow: 240 s/pixel
 - Small: at least $1 \times R_{25}$ (usually)
 - IR: Relatively insensitive to stellar population and dust extinction
- Consider NGC 3949, observed by Swaters et al. in Cycle 3 and reprocessed by S⁴G

Comparison to Other *Spitzer* Surveys

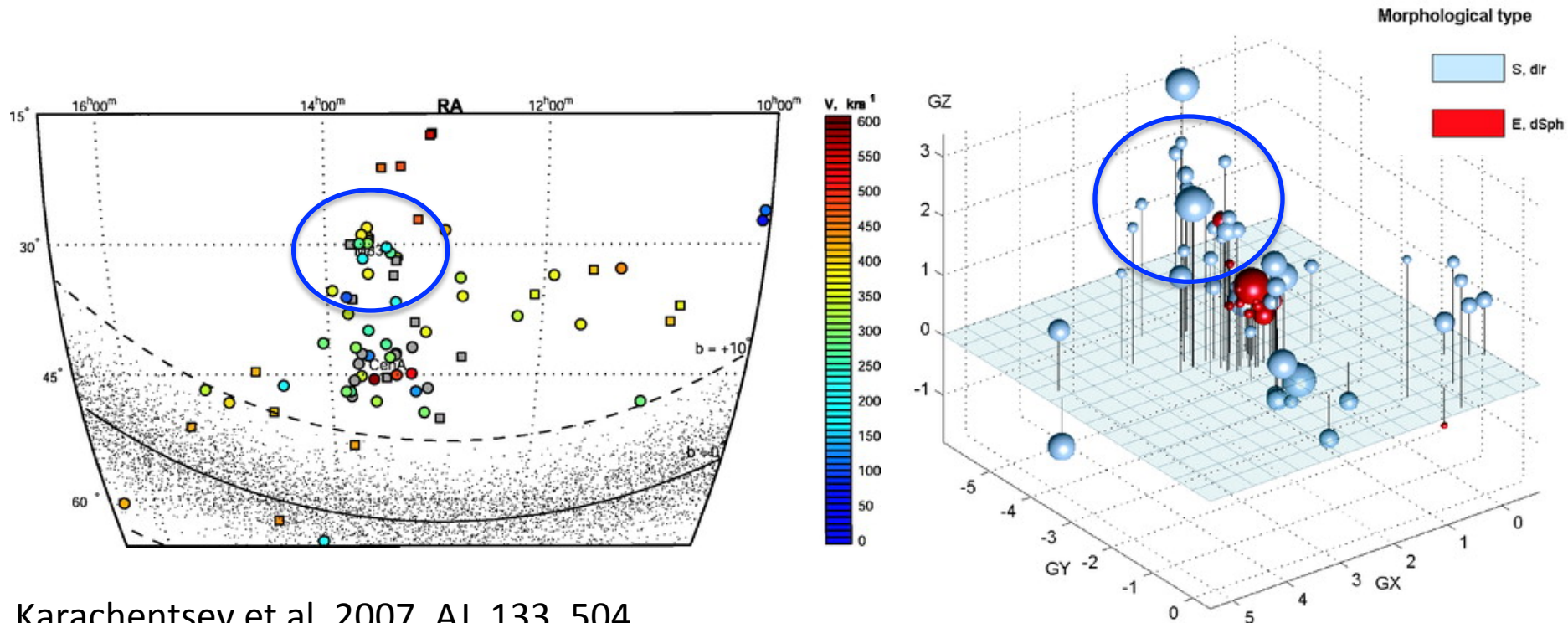


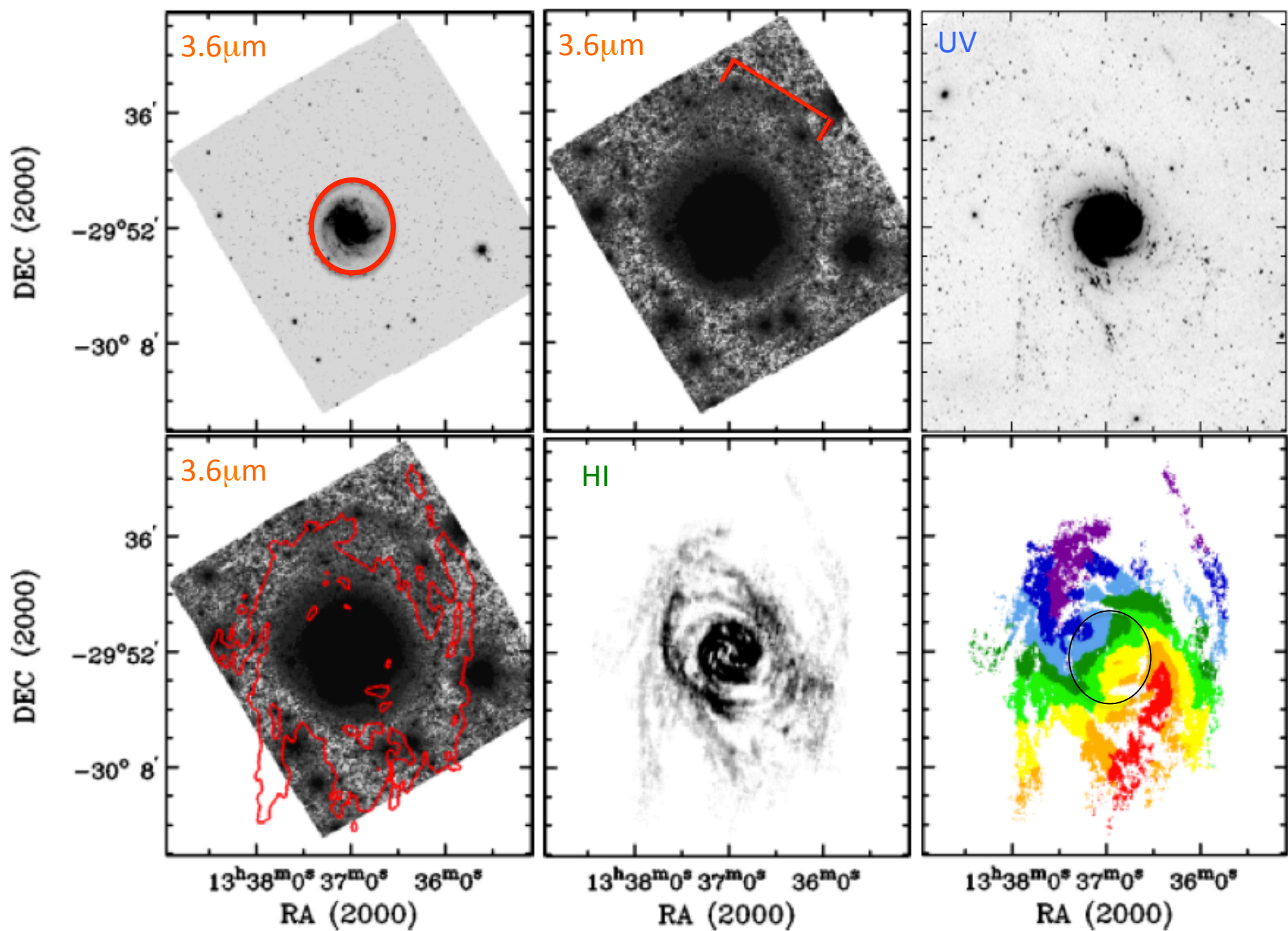
M83: Young and Old Stellar Streams

- M83 has long been known to have an extended HI distribution, with a strong warp in the inner disk and arms extending to $3 \times R_{25}$ (Rogstad et al. 1976)
- UV imaging with GALEX revealed an extended star forming disk (Thilker et al. 2005)
- Deep optical imaging revealed an extended stellar stream (Malin & Hadley 1997)
 - Part of this stream was identified as KK98-208 (Karachentseva & Karachentsev 1998)

M83: A Complex Environment

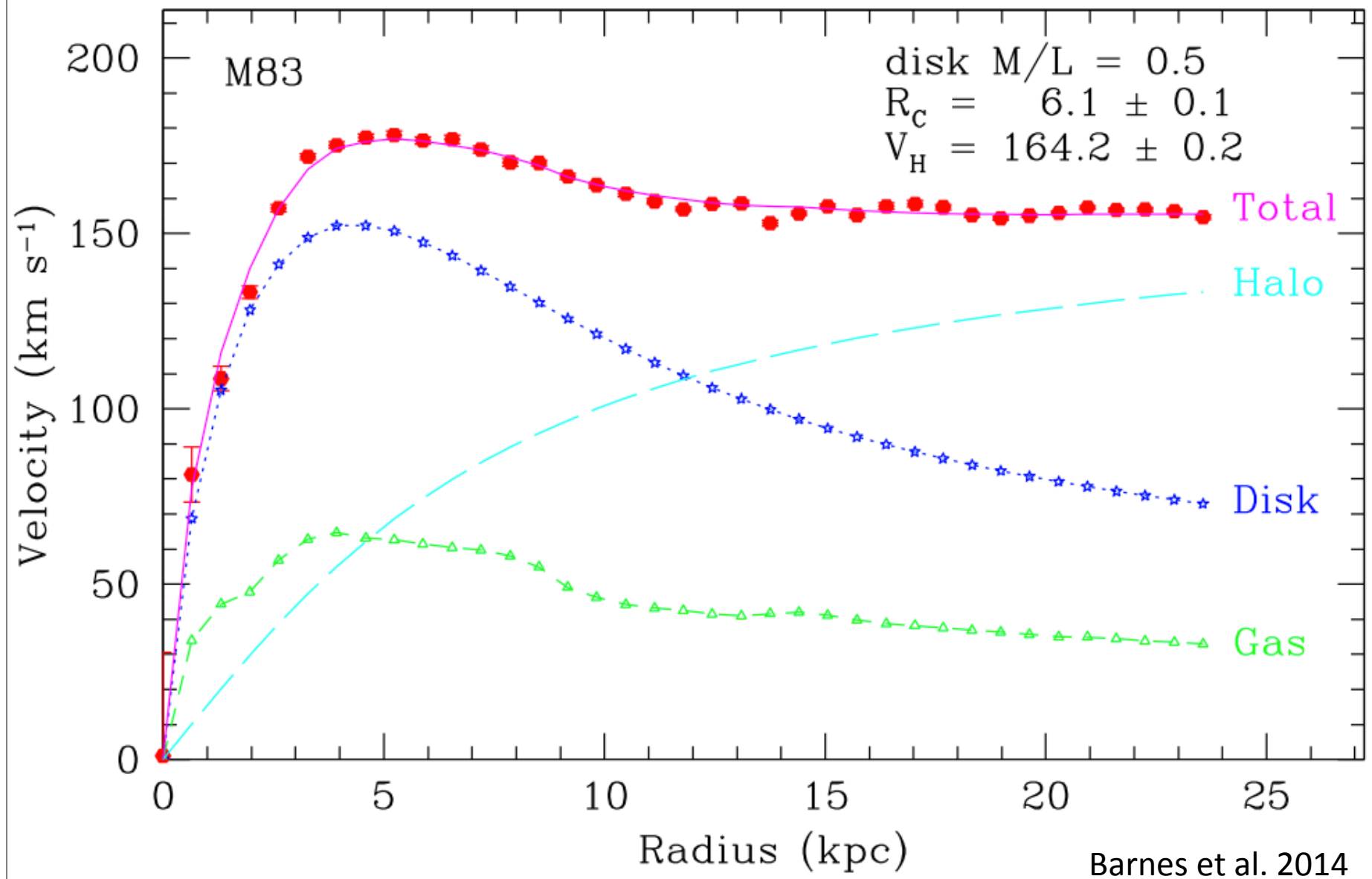
- The M83 group is located at a mean distance of 4.79 Mpc; the neighboring Cen A group is located at a mean distance of 3.76 Mpc



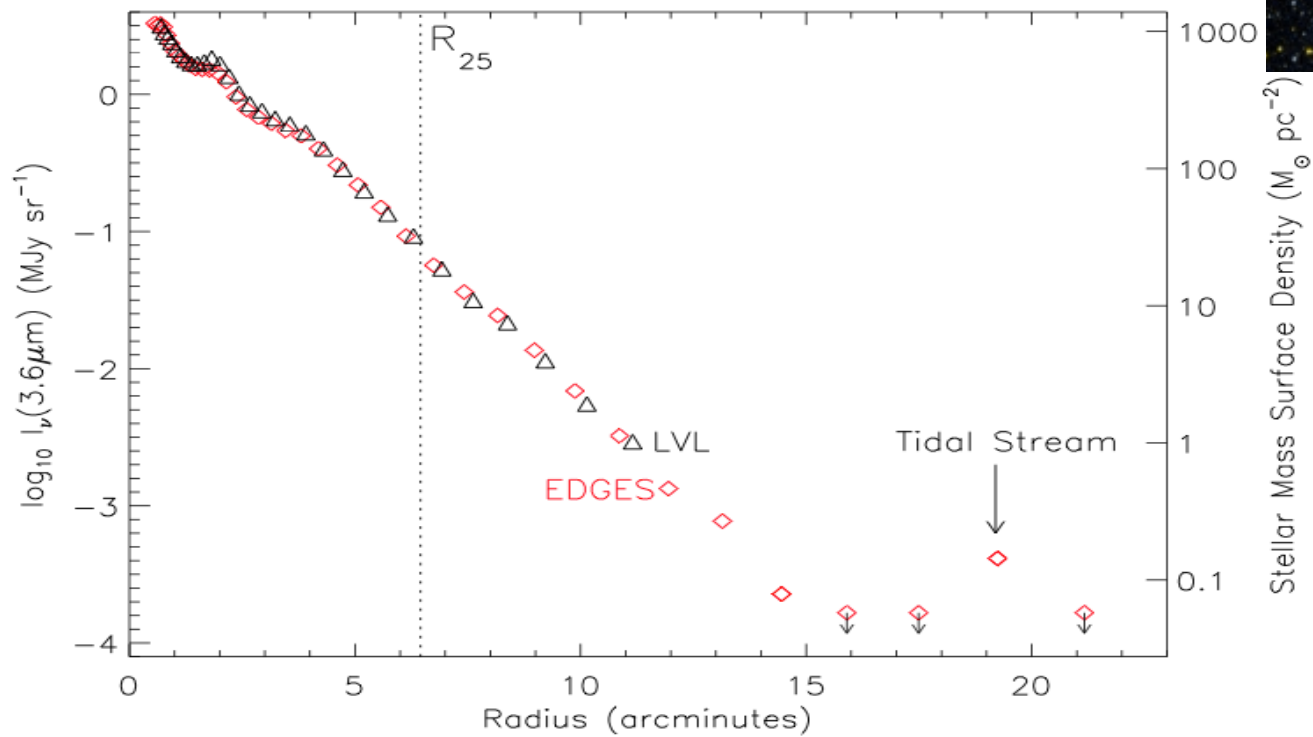
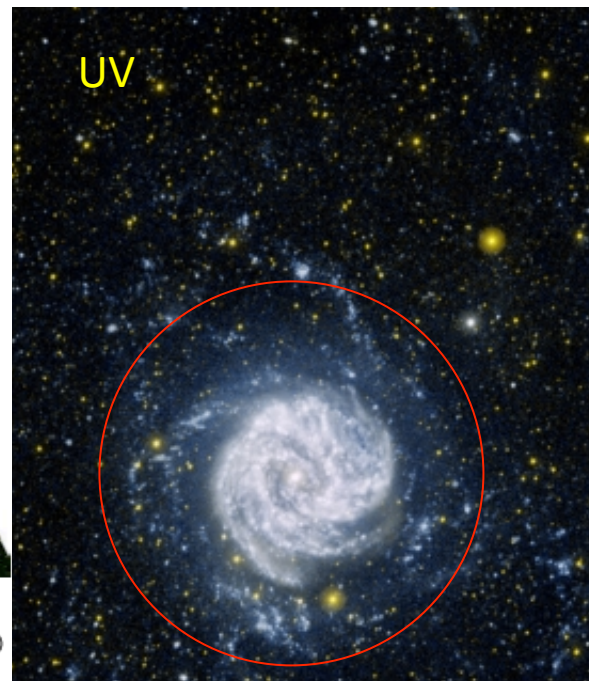
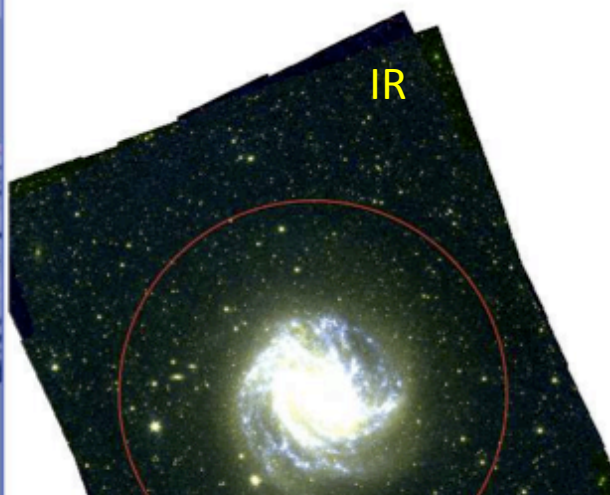
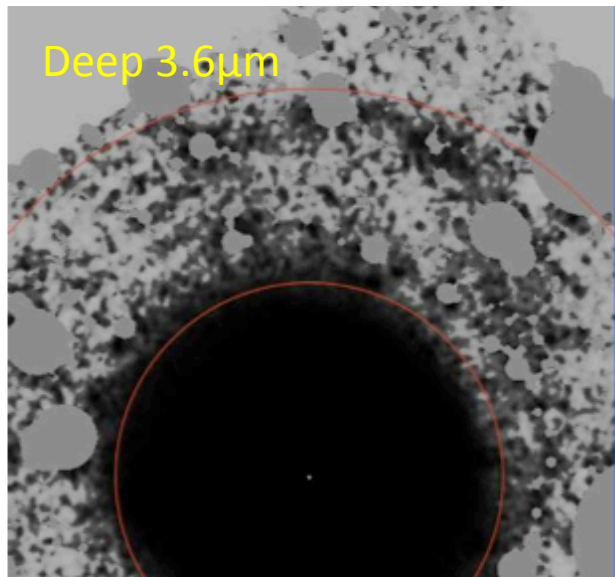


Barnes et al. 2014

Mass-to-light Ratios

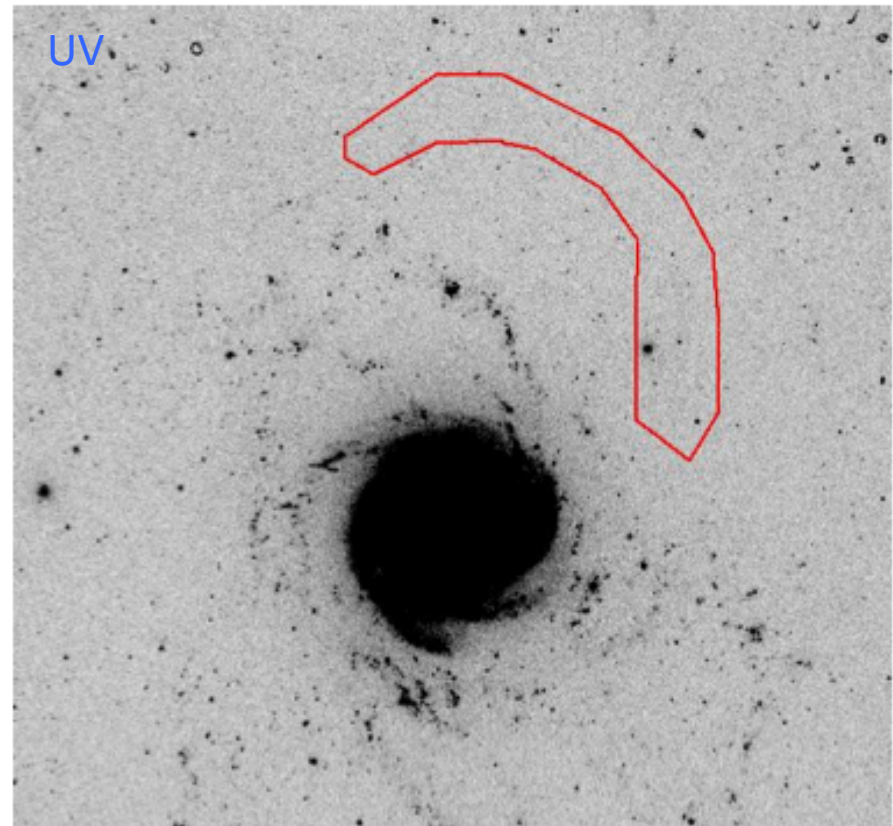
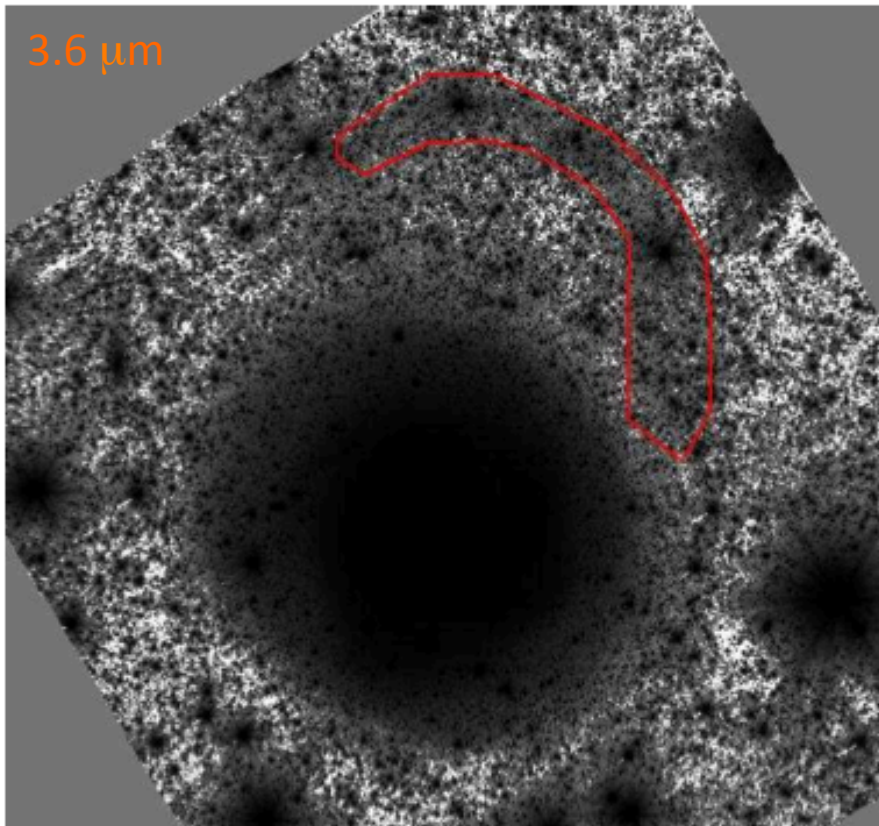


M83



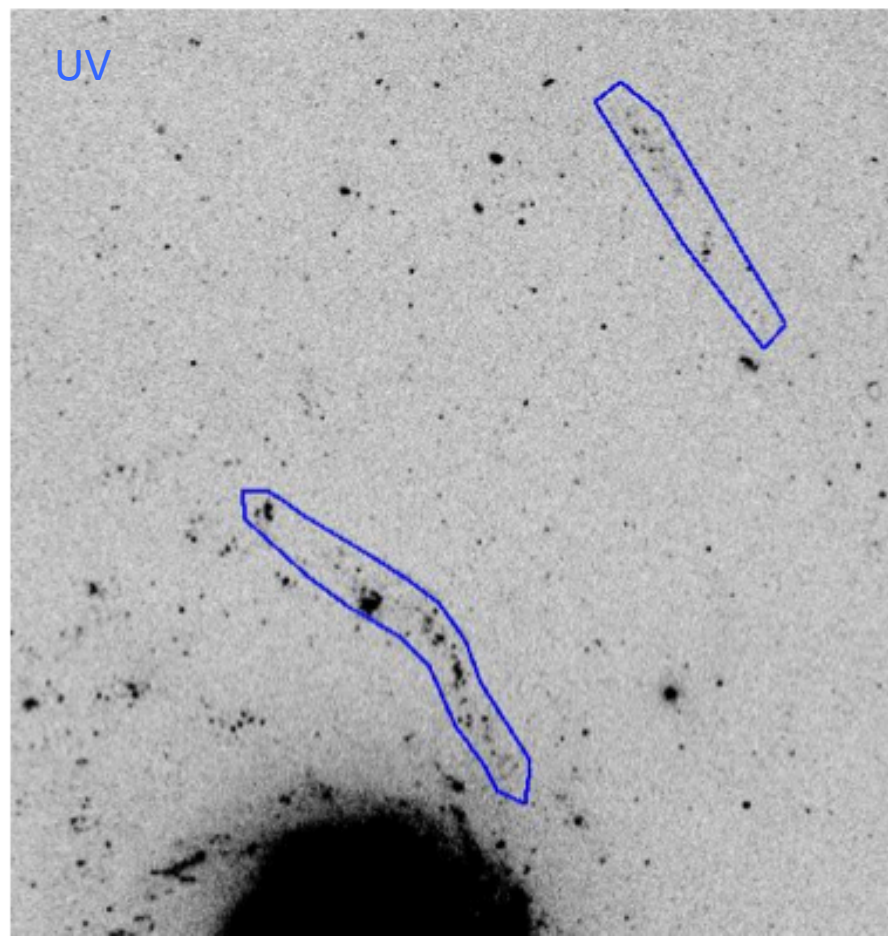
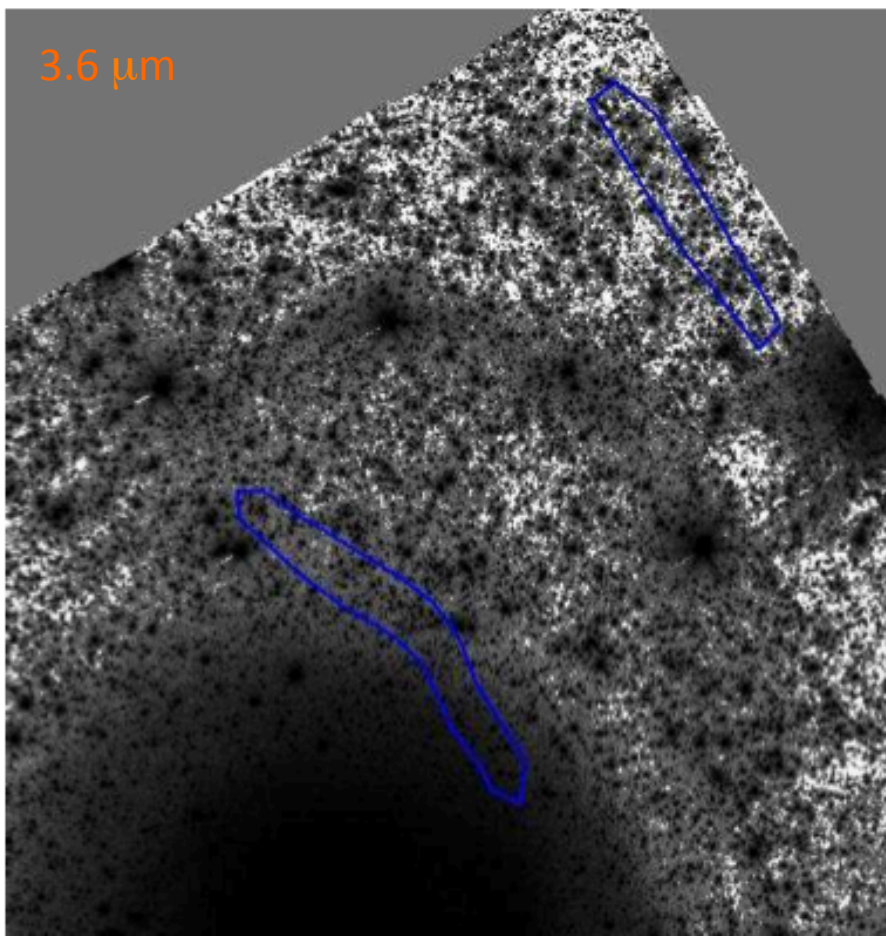
Stellar Stream in M83

- No current star formation activity associated with the stellar stream



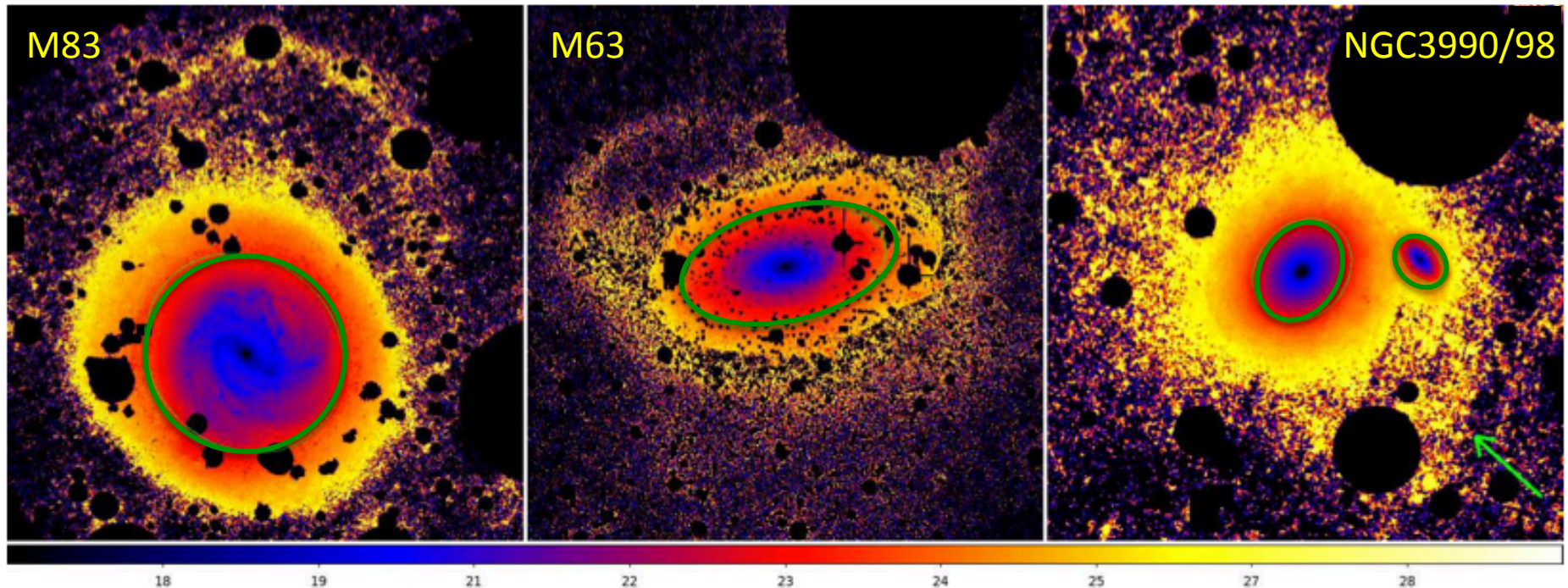
Stellar Stream in M83

- Outer FUV arm is extremely young



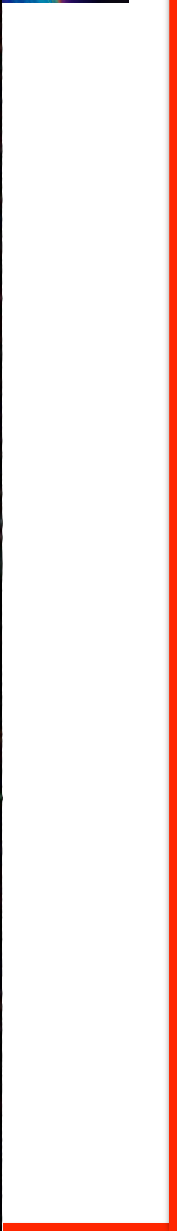
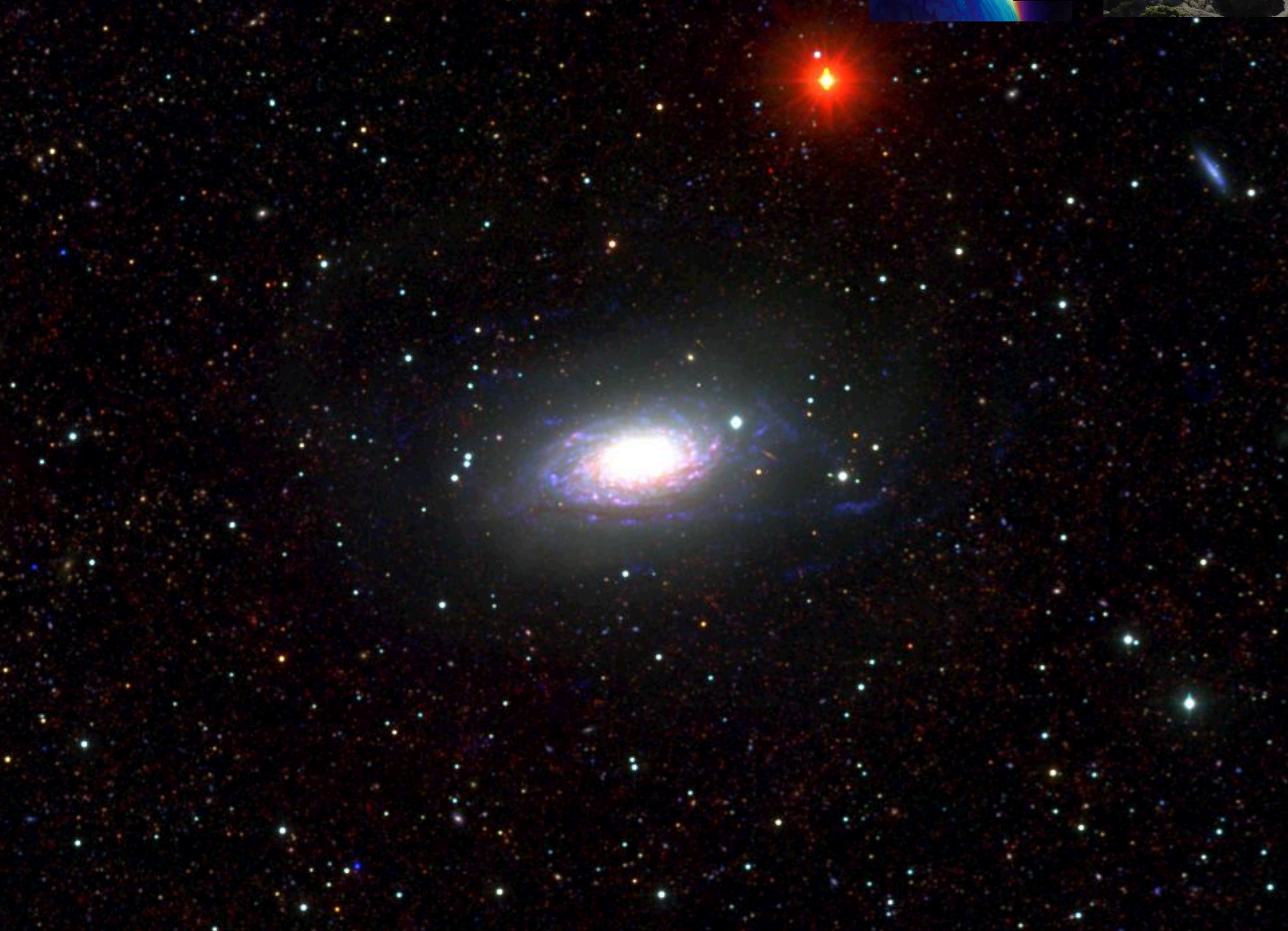
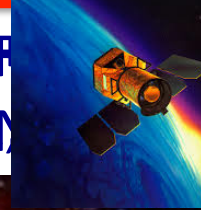
EDGES Results

- Full EDGES survey includes 92 normal galaxies
- We detect extended stellar distributions and stellar streams in many of these fields



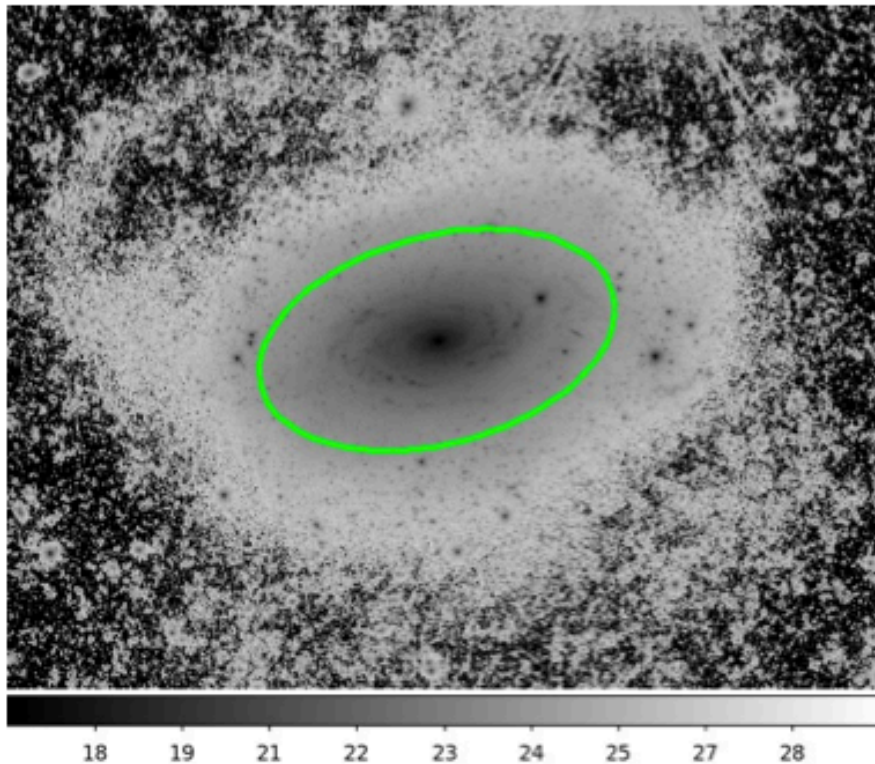
M63

UV+optical+IR Radio
1528 Å, B, R, 3.6 μ m, B, R, N

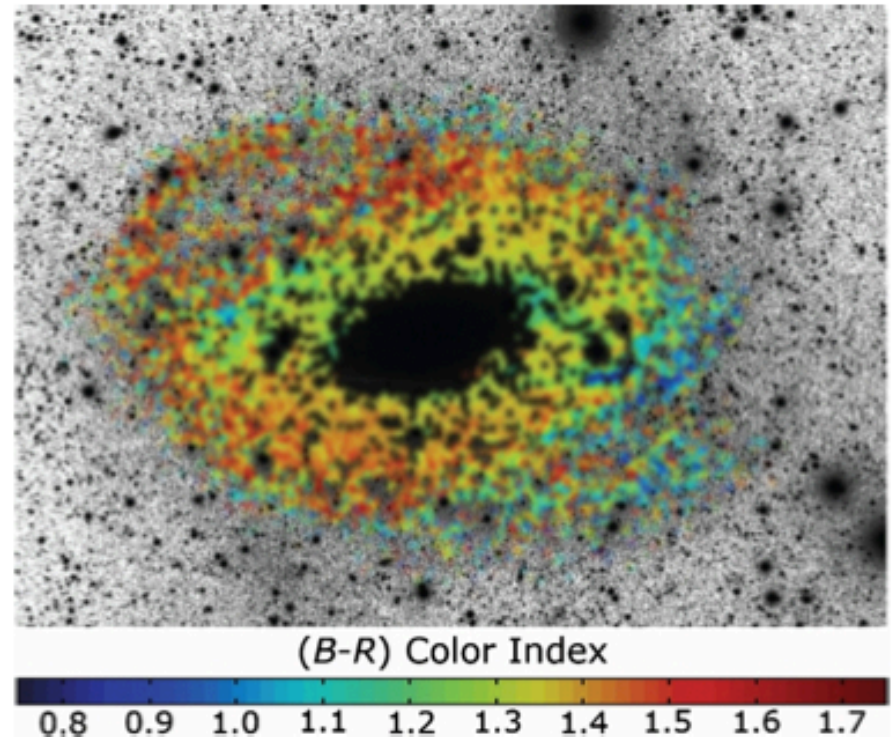


The stellar streams associated with M63 have complex stellar populations

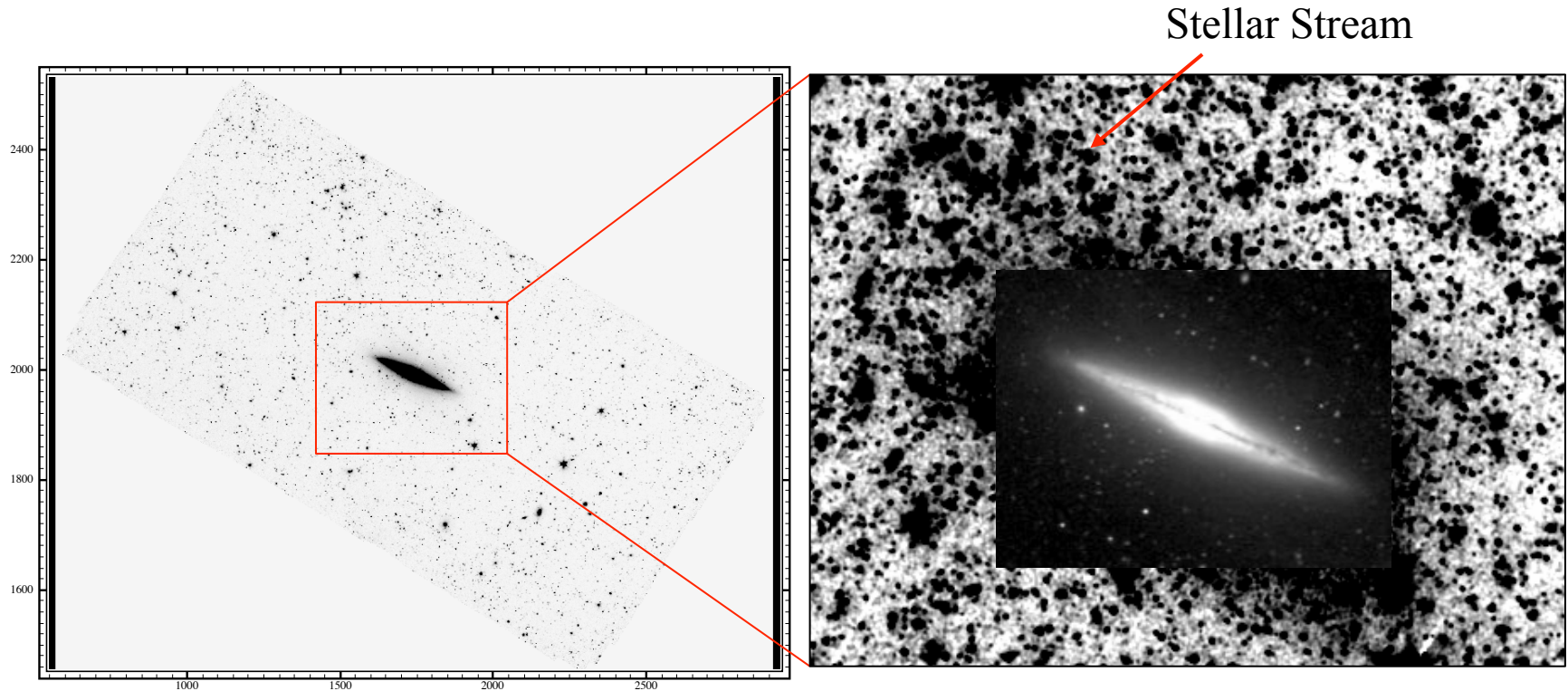
M63 at $3.6\mu\text{m}$, EDGES



M63 in B-R, Chonis et al. 2011



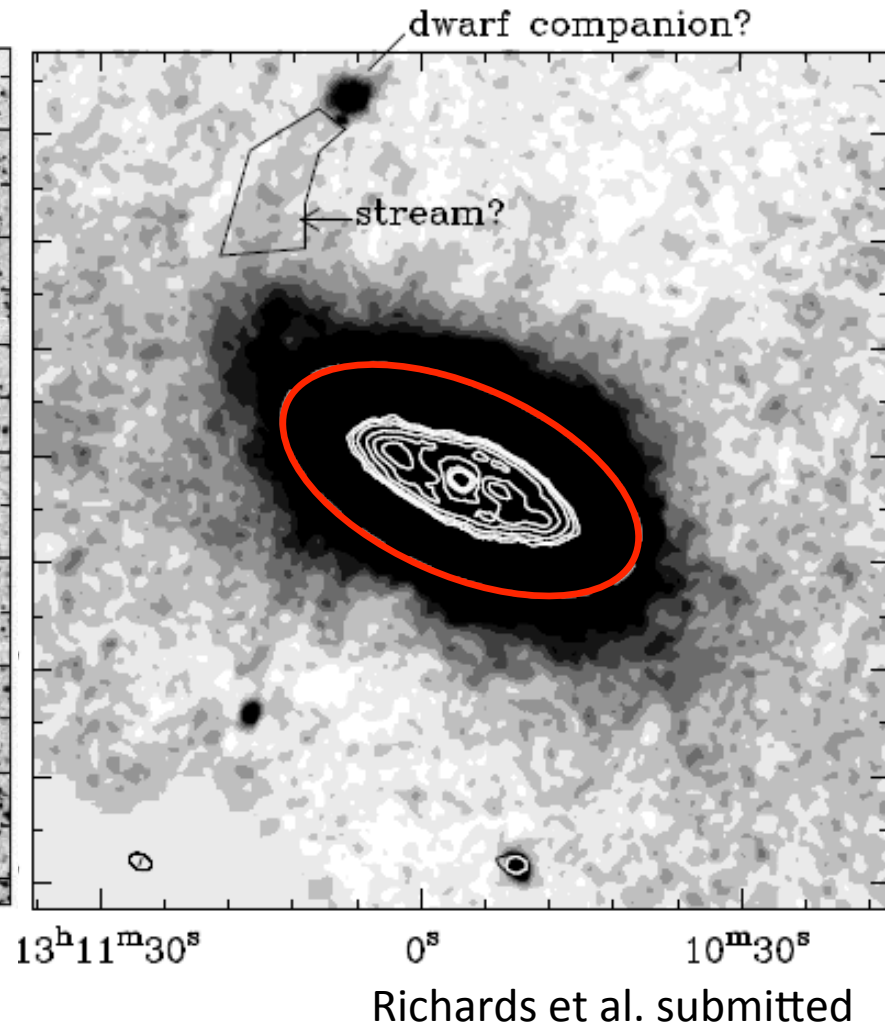
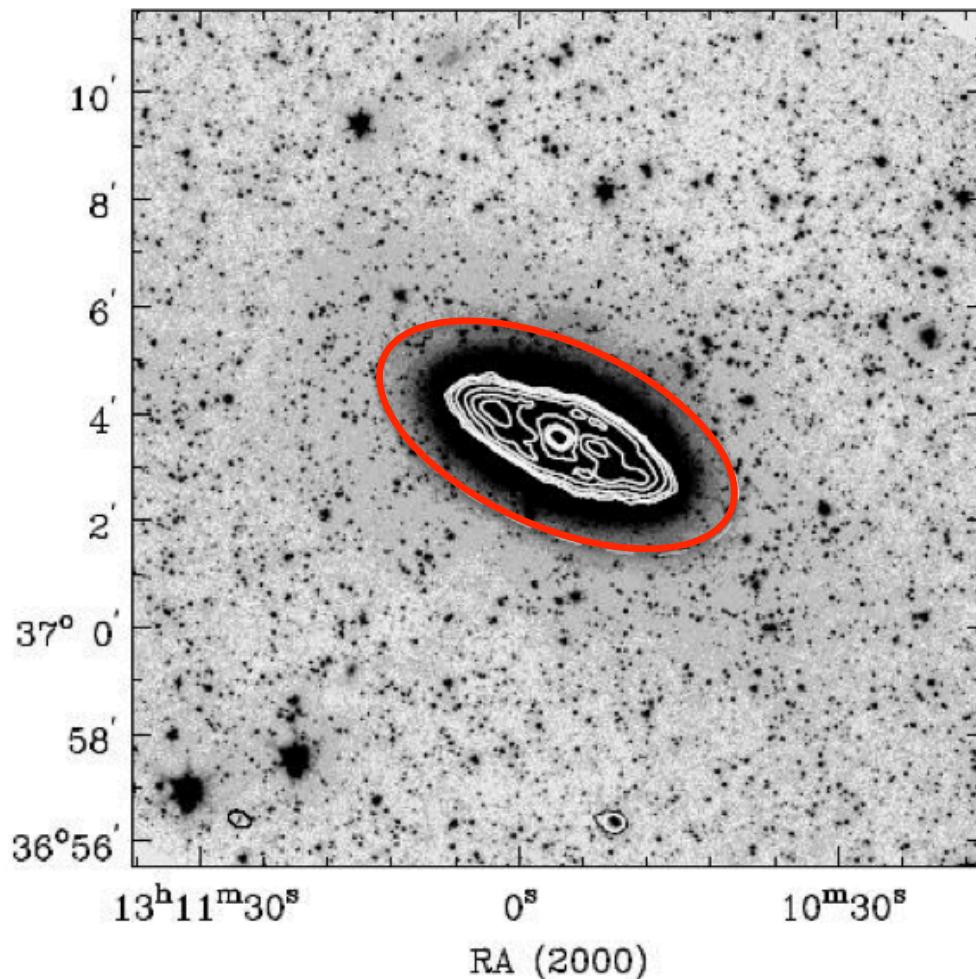
EDGES Results: NGC 4013



This stellar stream was previously identified by Martínez-Delgado et al. (2009) based on ground-based optical imaging. Note the over-density of point sources, which may be globular clusters associated with the stellar stream.

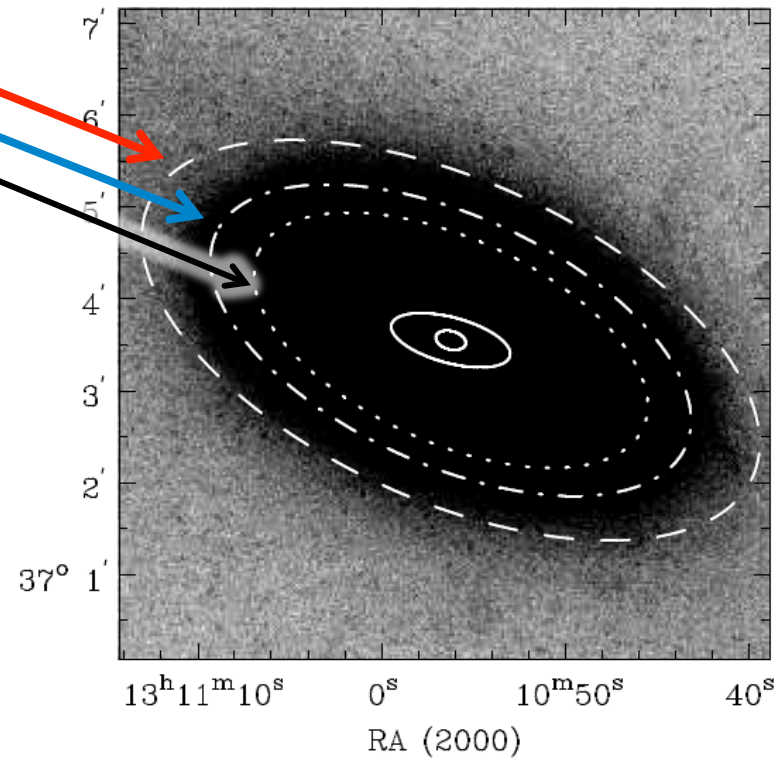
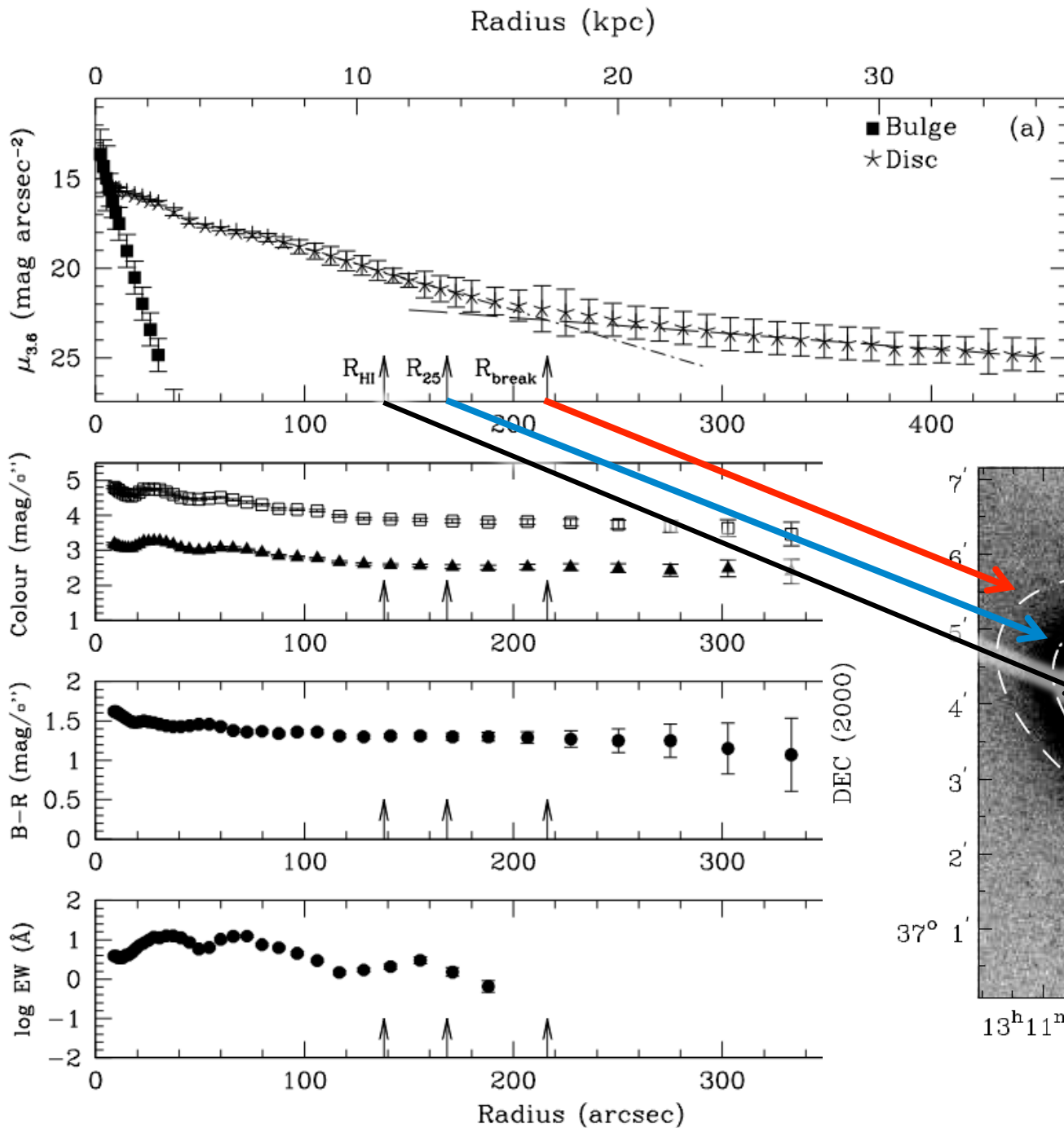
EDGES Results: NGC 5005

- Extended stellar distribution and stellar stream



Richards et al. submitted

NGC 5005

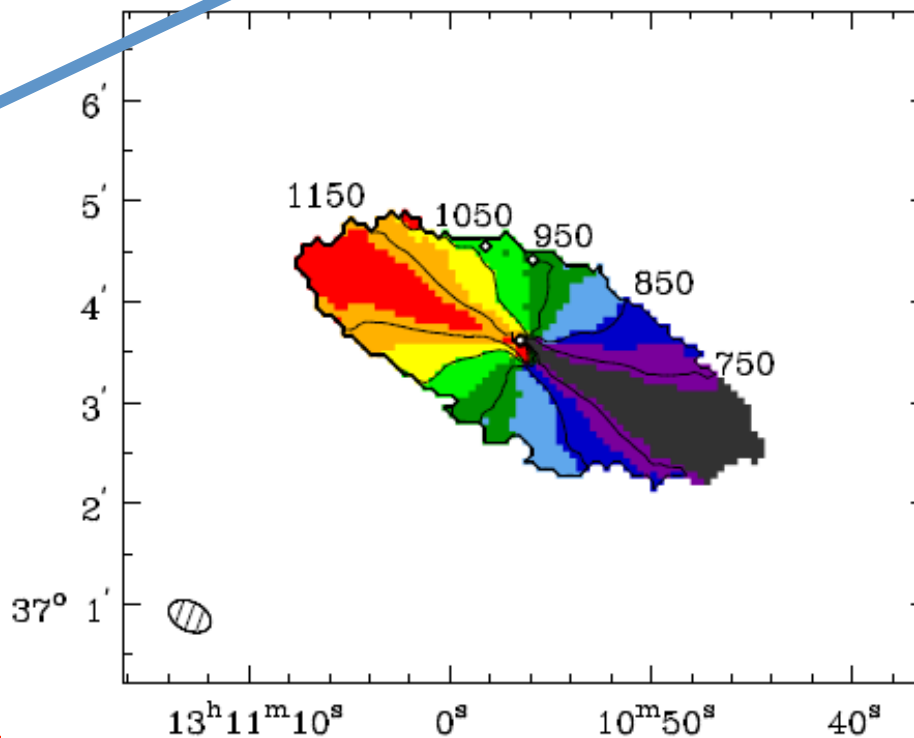
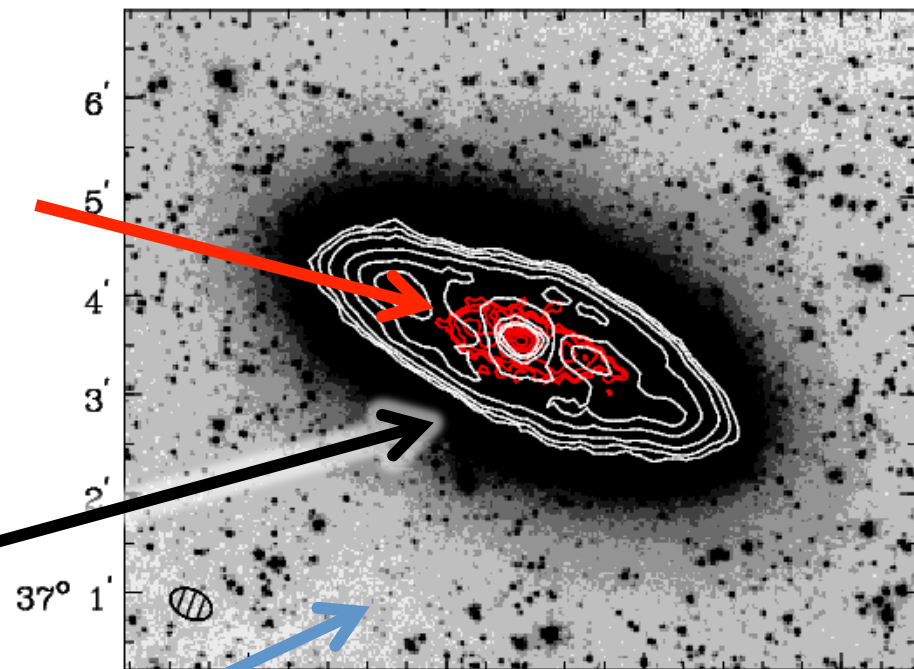


NGC 5005

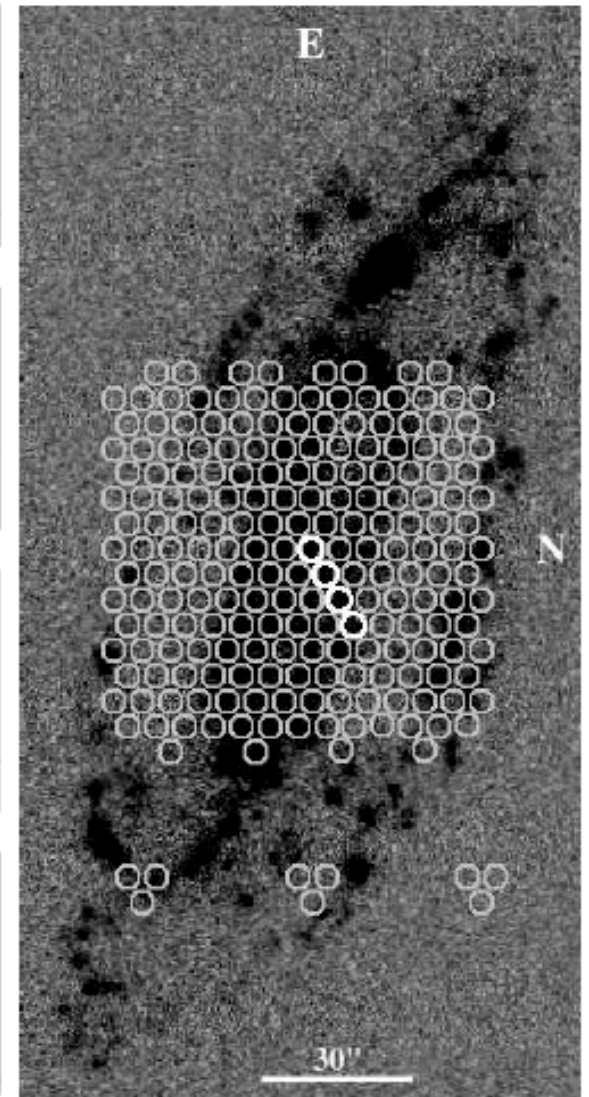
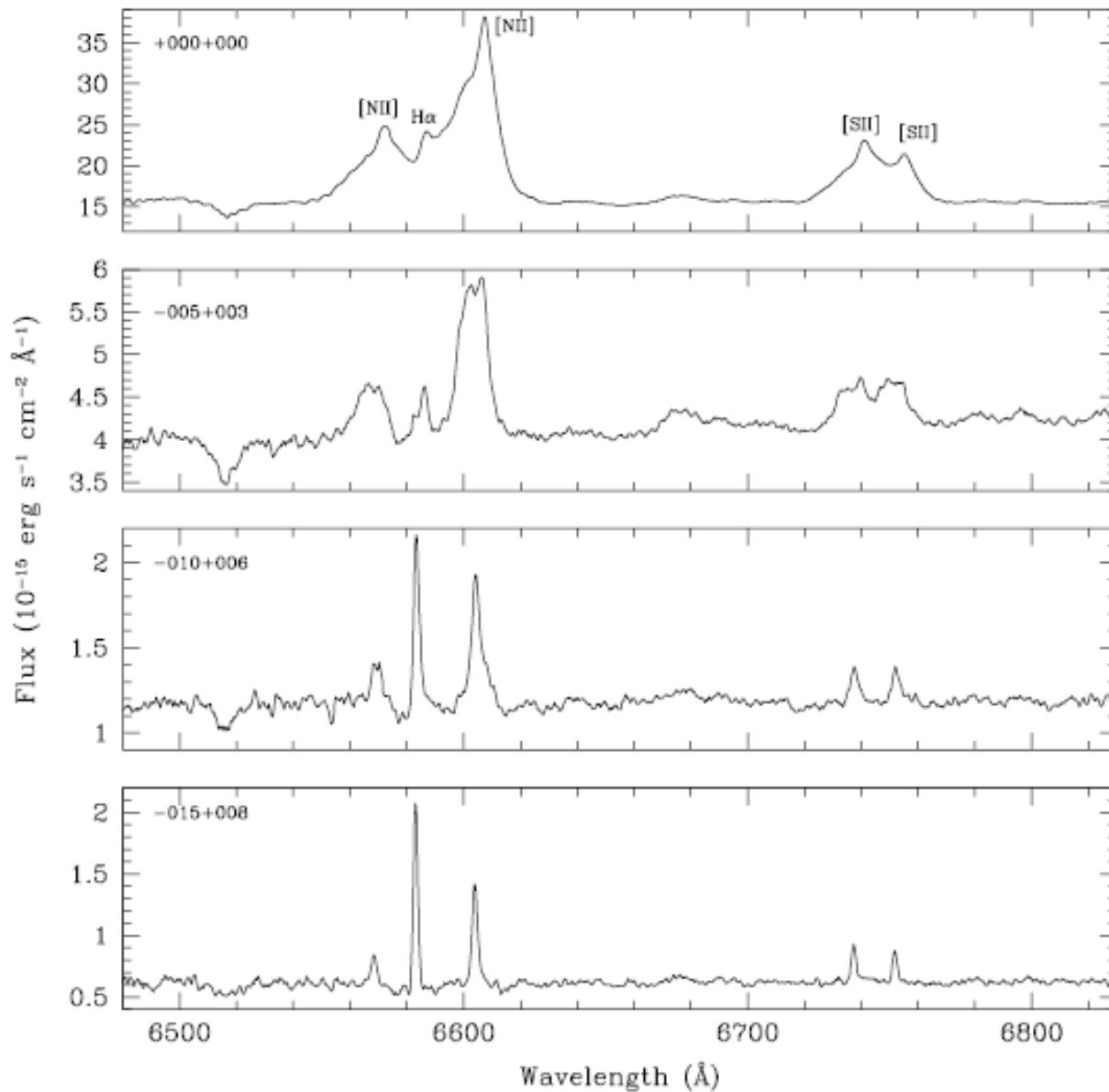
CO
(BIMA SONG;
Helfer et al.
2003)

HI
(VLA 21cm)
1st contour =
 10^{20} atoms cm^{-2}

extended
stellar disk
(*Spitzer* 3.6 μm)

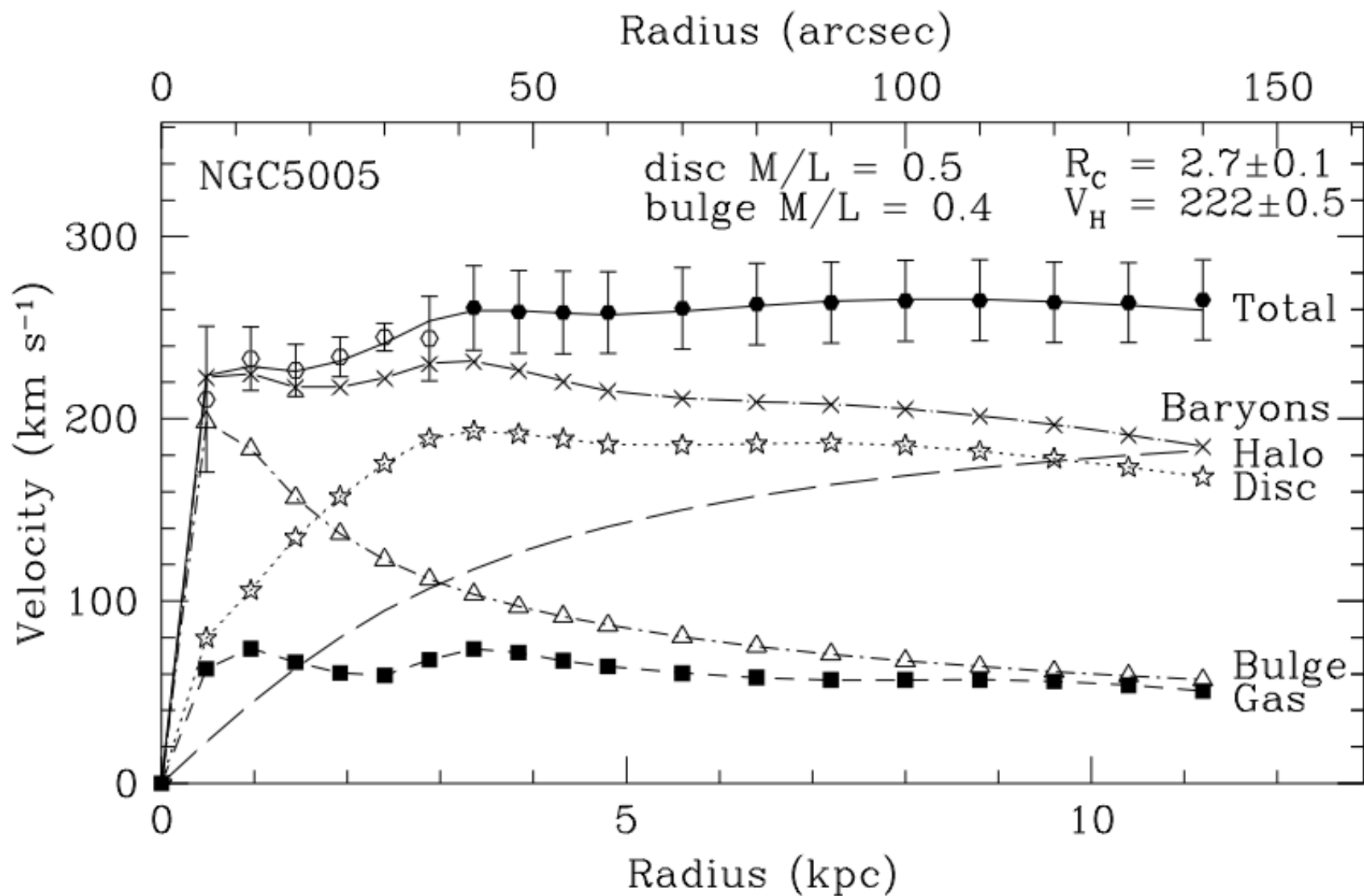


NGC 5005: Sparsepak Observations



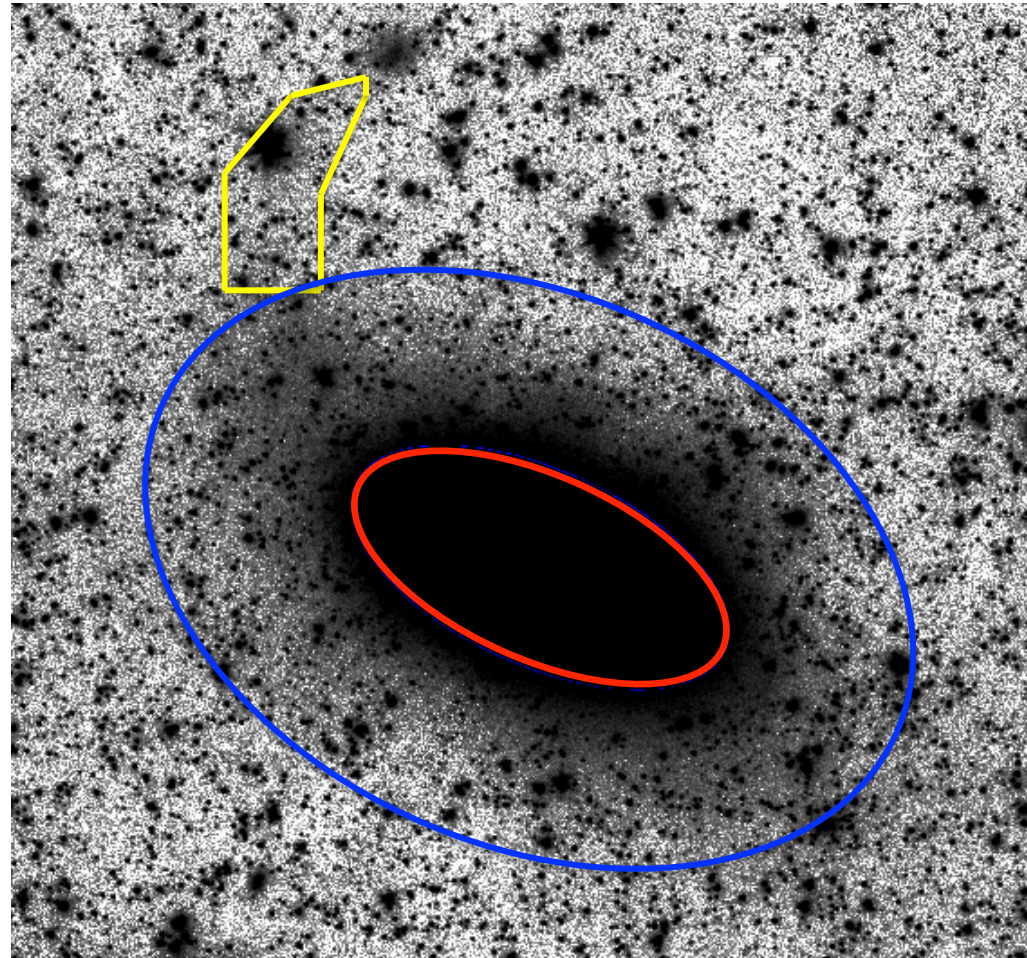
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NGC 5005: Rotation Curve Decomposition

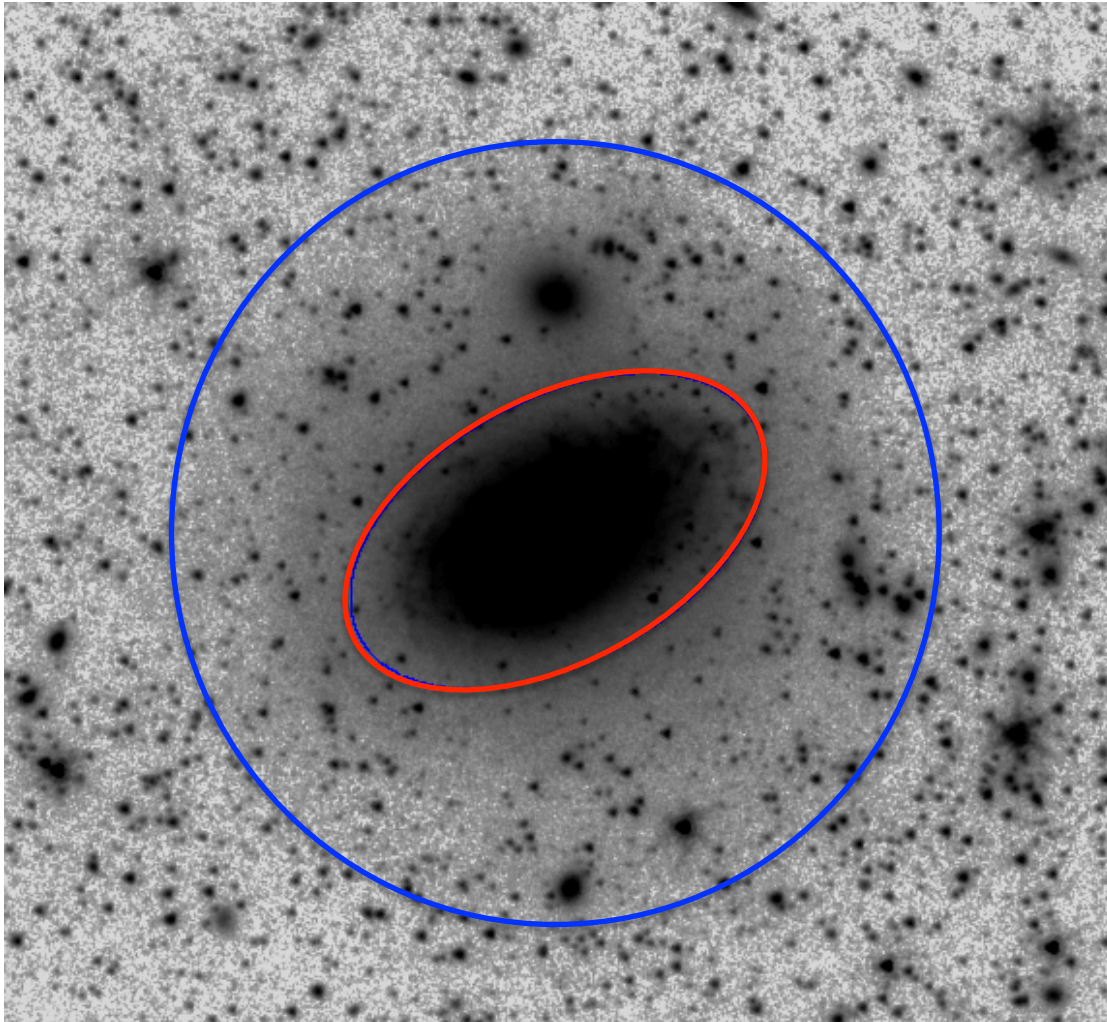


NGC 5005: Stellar Stream

- Stellar stream corresponds to $M \sim 1.8 \times 10^7 M_{\odot}$
- Extended structure corresponds to 3% of total light



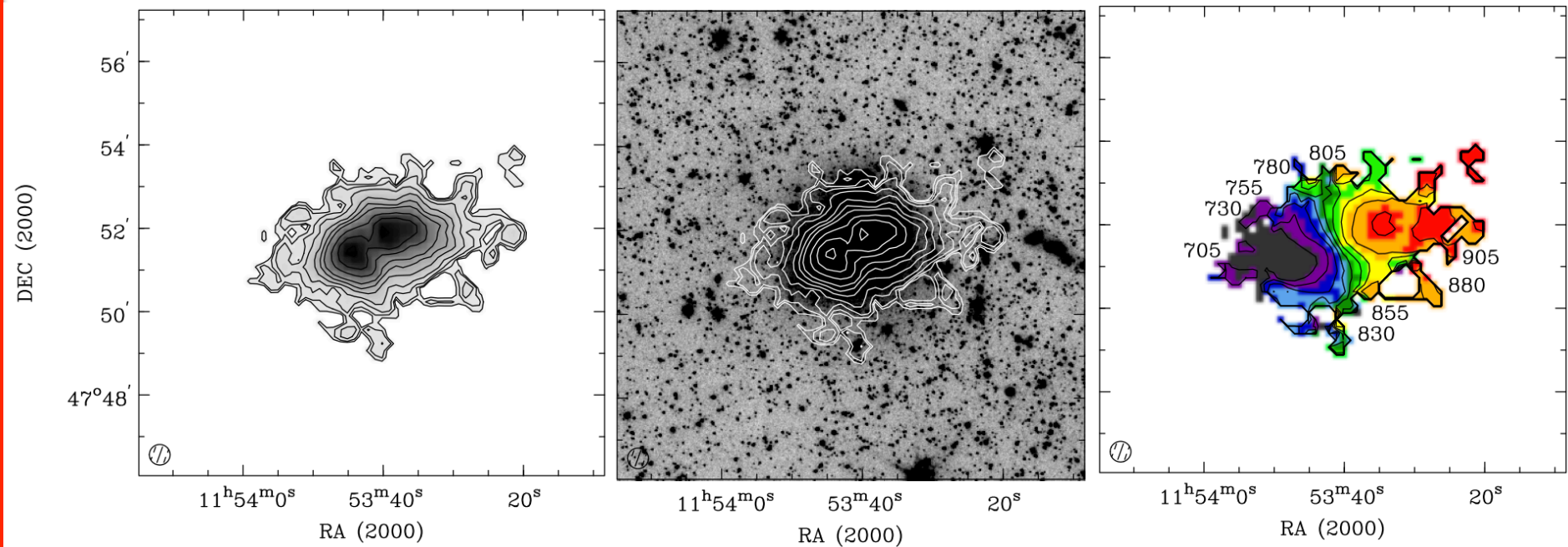
EDGES Results: NGC 3949



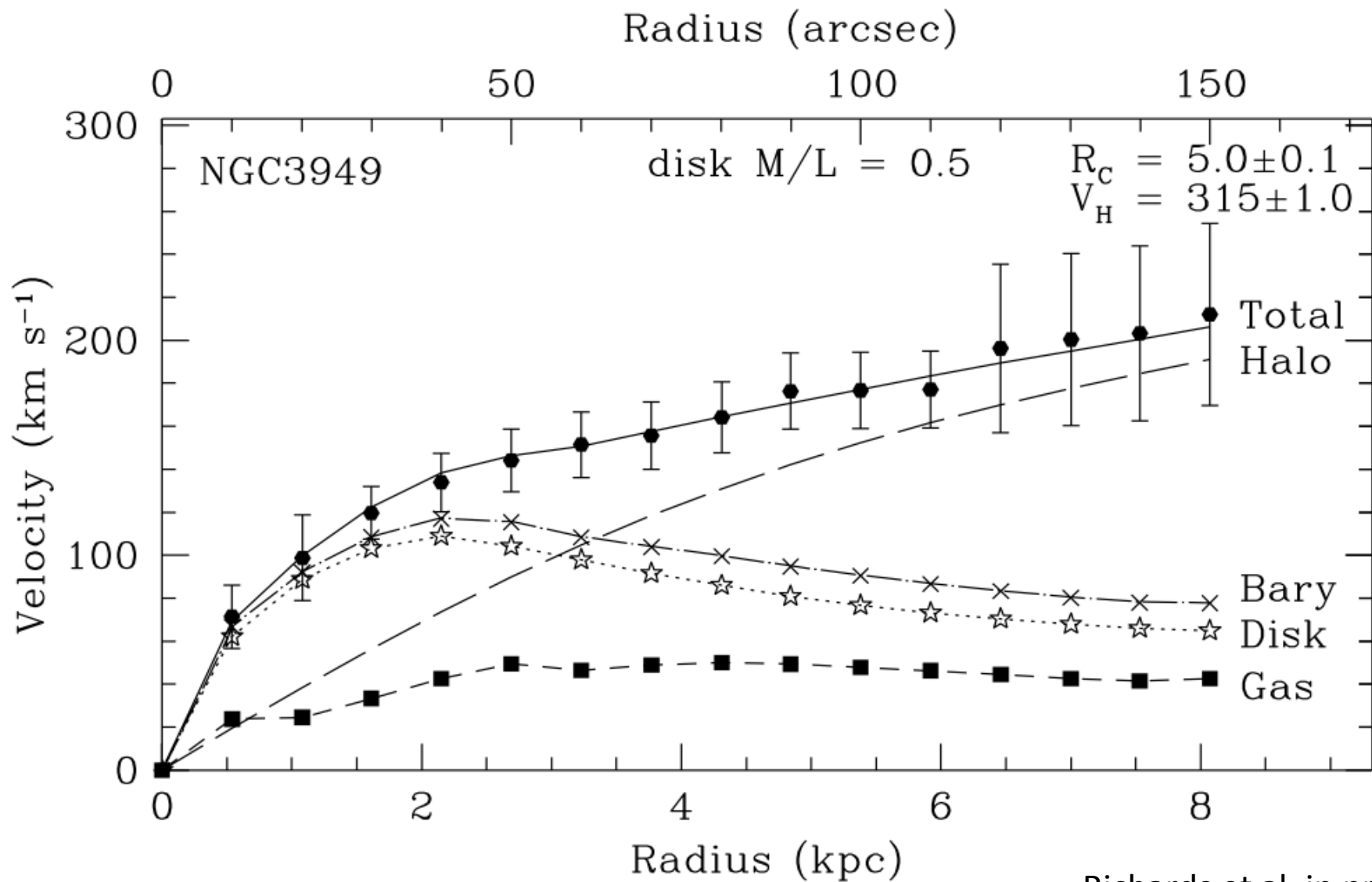
Extended structure in NGC 3949 has a change in morphology relative to the high surface brightness disk. Is this a result of a warp, or a stellar halo?

NGC 3949: Neutral Gas Disk

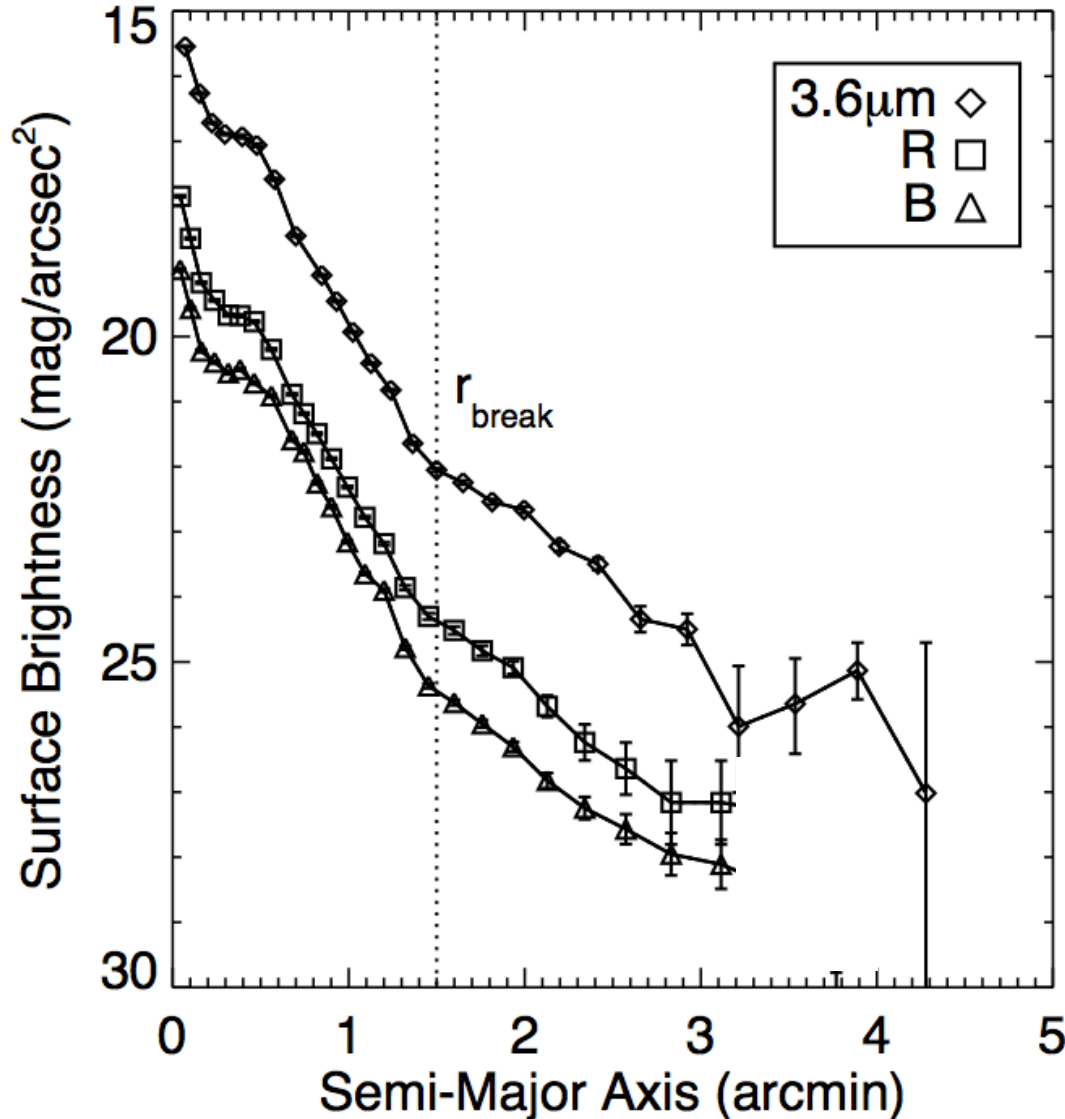
- Neutral hydrogen distribution follows the high surface brightness component, but shows evidence of a kinematic warp at large radii.



NGC 3949: Rotation Curve



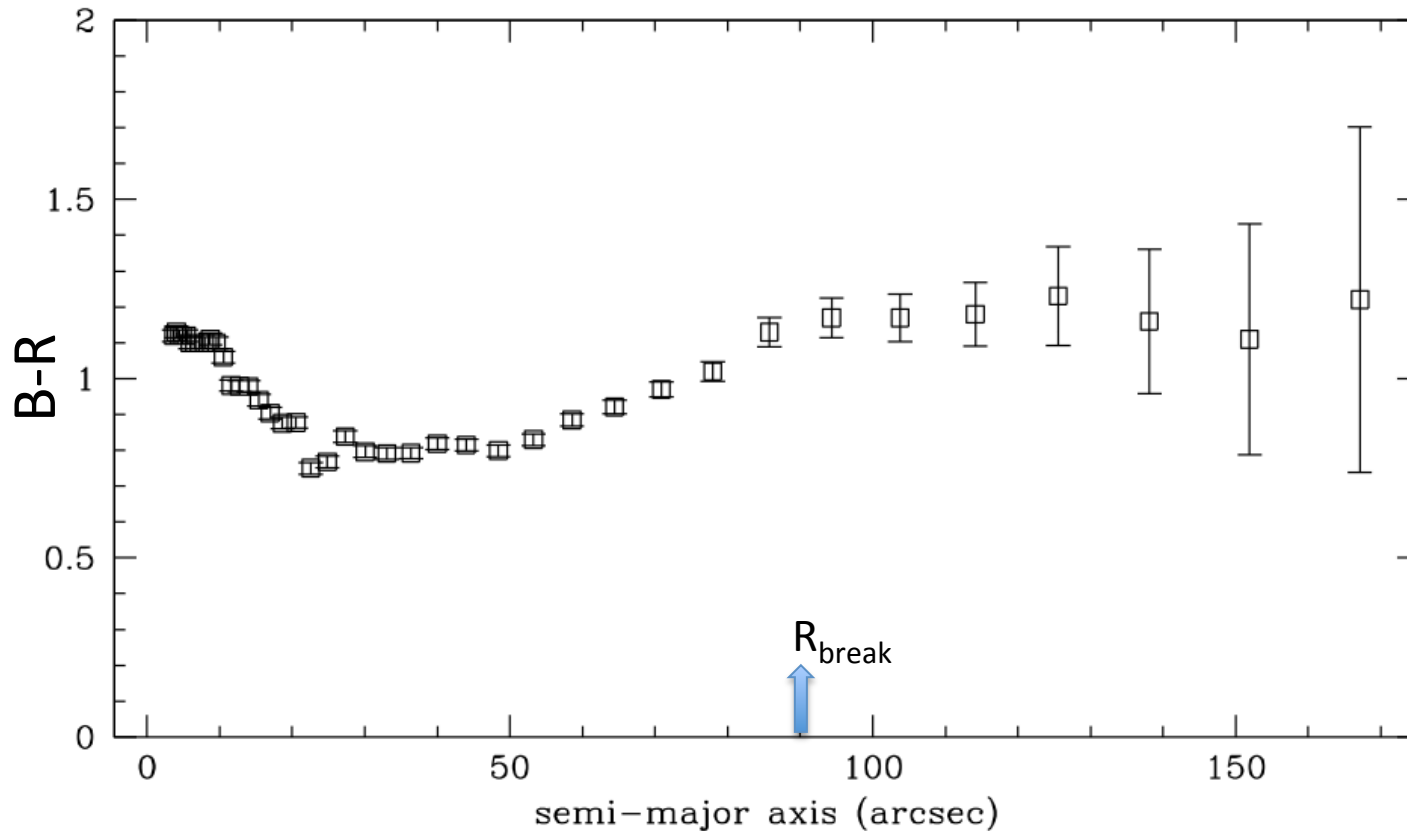
NGC 3949: Surface Brightness Profile



Extended structure corresponds to 10% of the total light

NGC 3949: Color Gradients

- Significant color gradient detected:
inner regions are blue, outer region is red.



A similar functional form for B-R surface colors are also detected in a few other galaxies in the EDGES sample (Dale et al. in prep)

(Preliminary) EDGES Results

- As expected, stream-like structures are more common in groups and interacting systems
- Extended structures that are also high surface brightness are almost always associated with luminous galaxies (there are a few exceptions)
- Extended stellar distributions may be diffuse disks or stellar halos

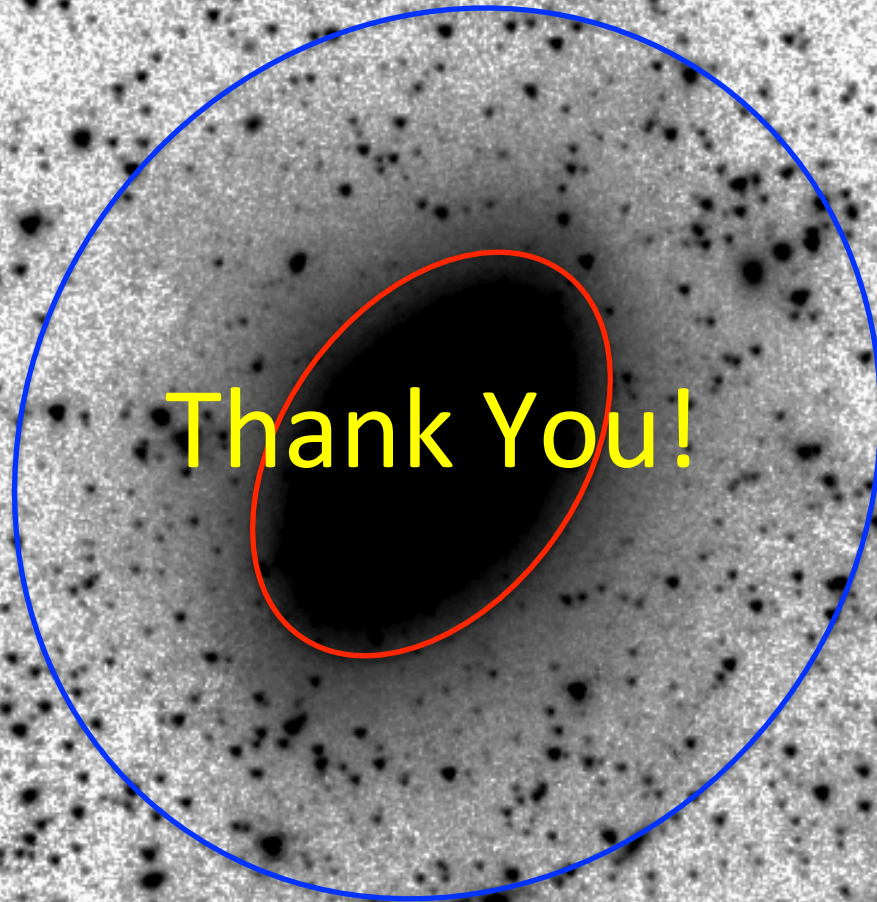
Conclusions

- We detect extended stellar distributions associated with many galaxies, including stellar streams and diffuse light
- When the analysis is complete, we will measure the mass associated with these streams and compare with hierarchical galaxy simulations

Future Directions

- Dynamical analysis of kinematic sub-sample to determine dark matter fraction and correlations between dark matter and structural properties
- Stellar populations of GALEX sub-sample to examine mass-normalized star formation activity
- Comparison of the neutral gas distribution with that of the diffuse stellar component to investigate stability of the gaseous disk and growth of the stellar disk

NGC 4143



Thank You!