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about...

**Chemically-  
Homogeneously  
Evolving stars?**

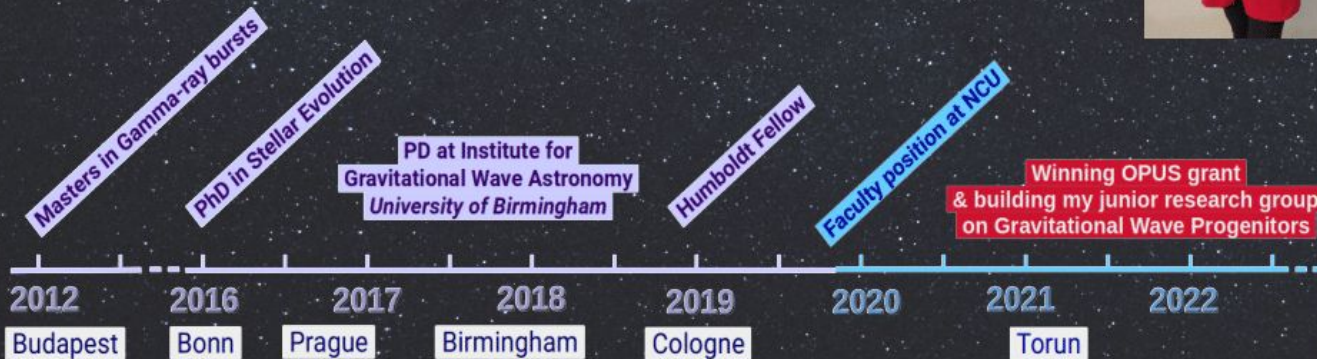
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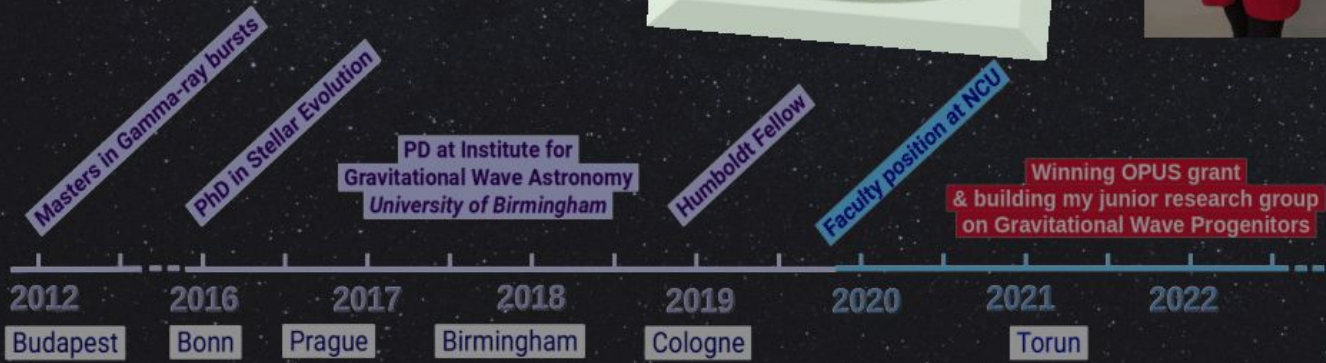
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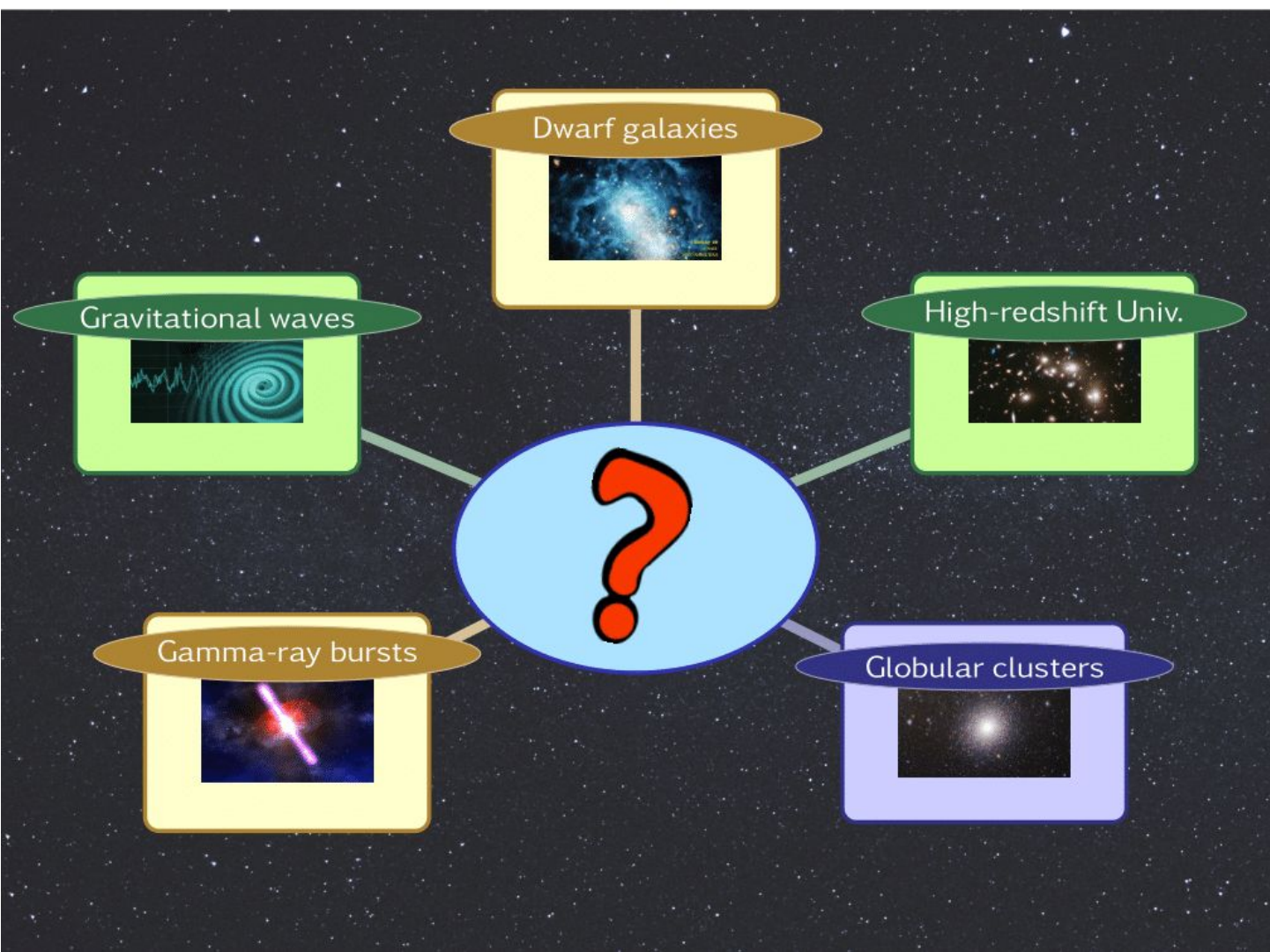
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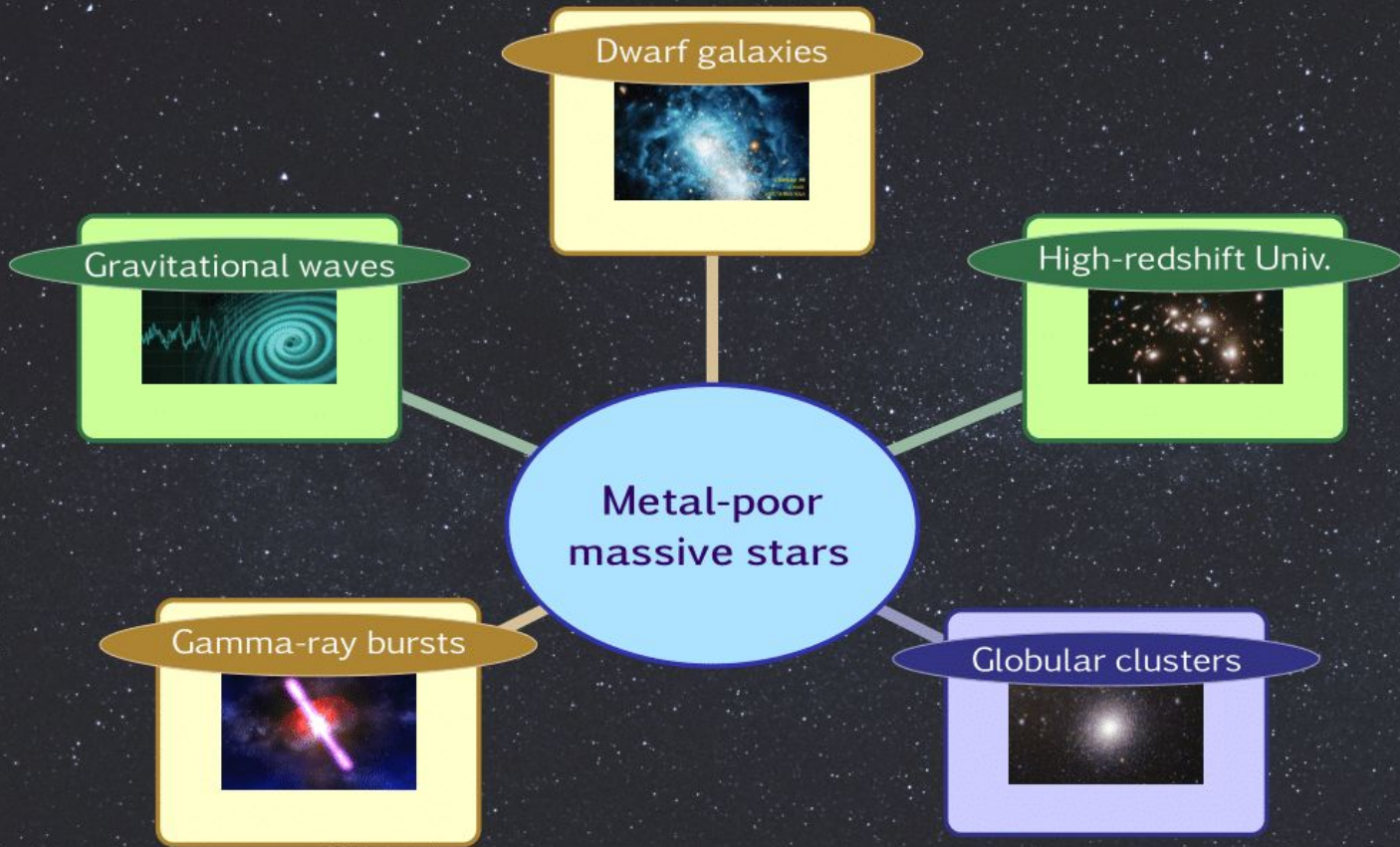


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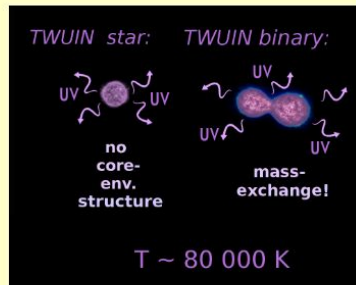
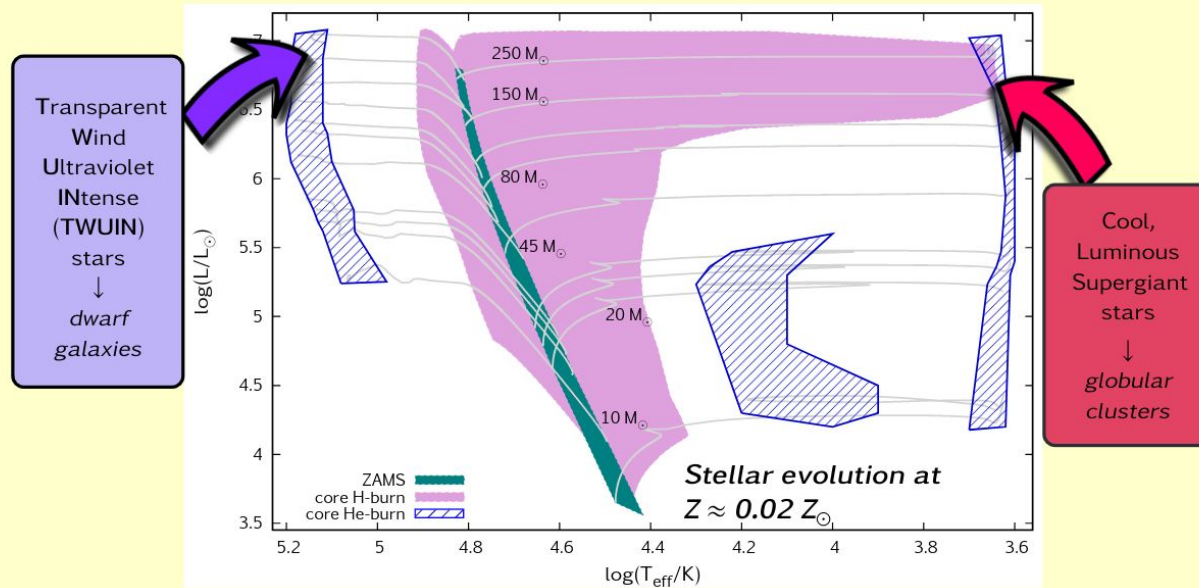




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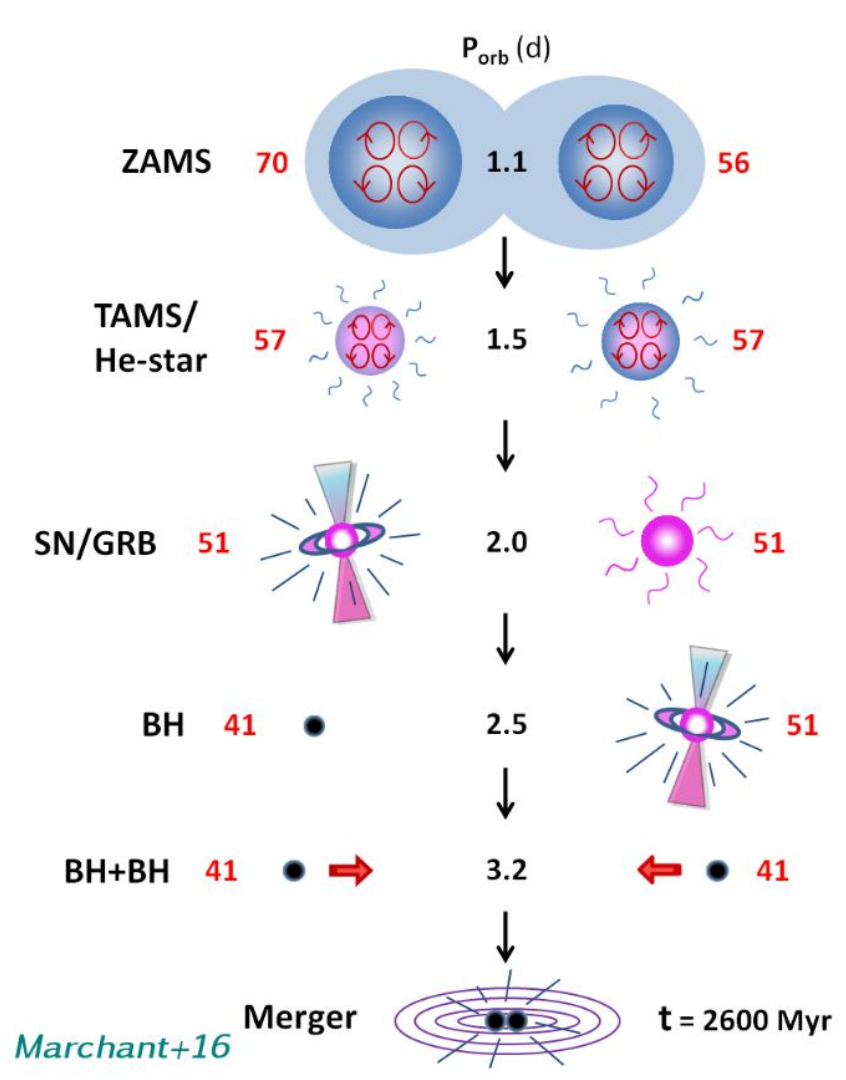
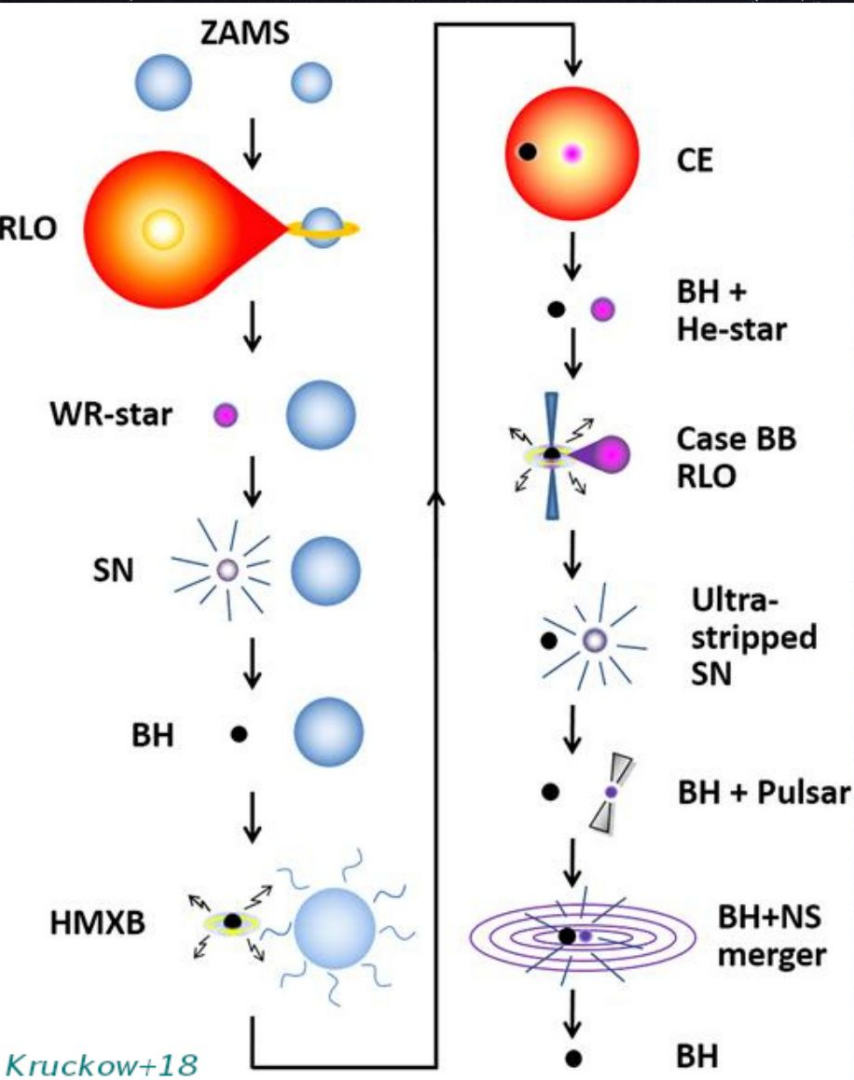
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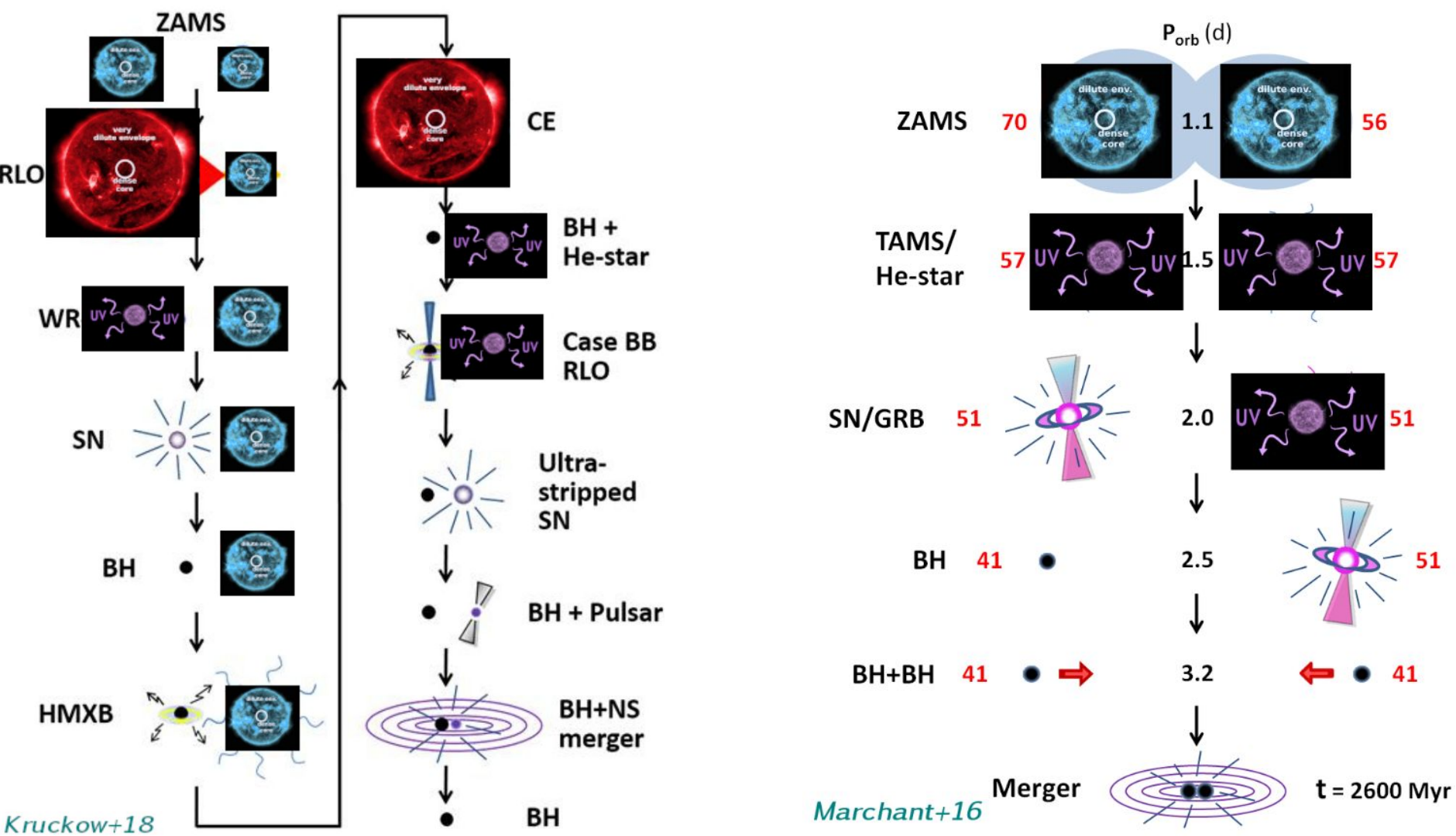


Szécsi+22, Garcia, ..., Szécsi+21

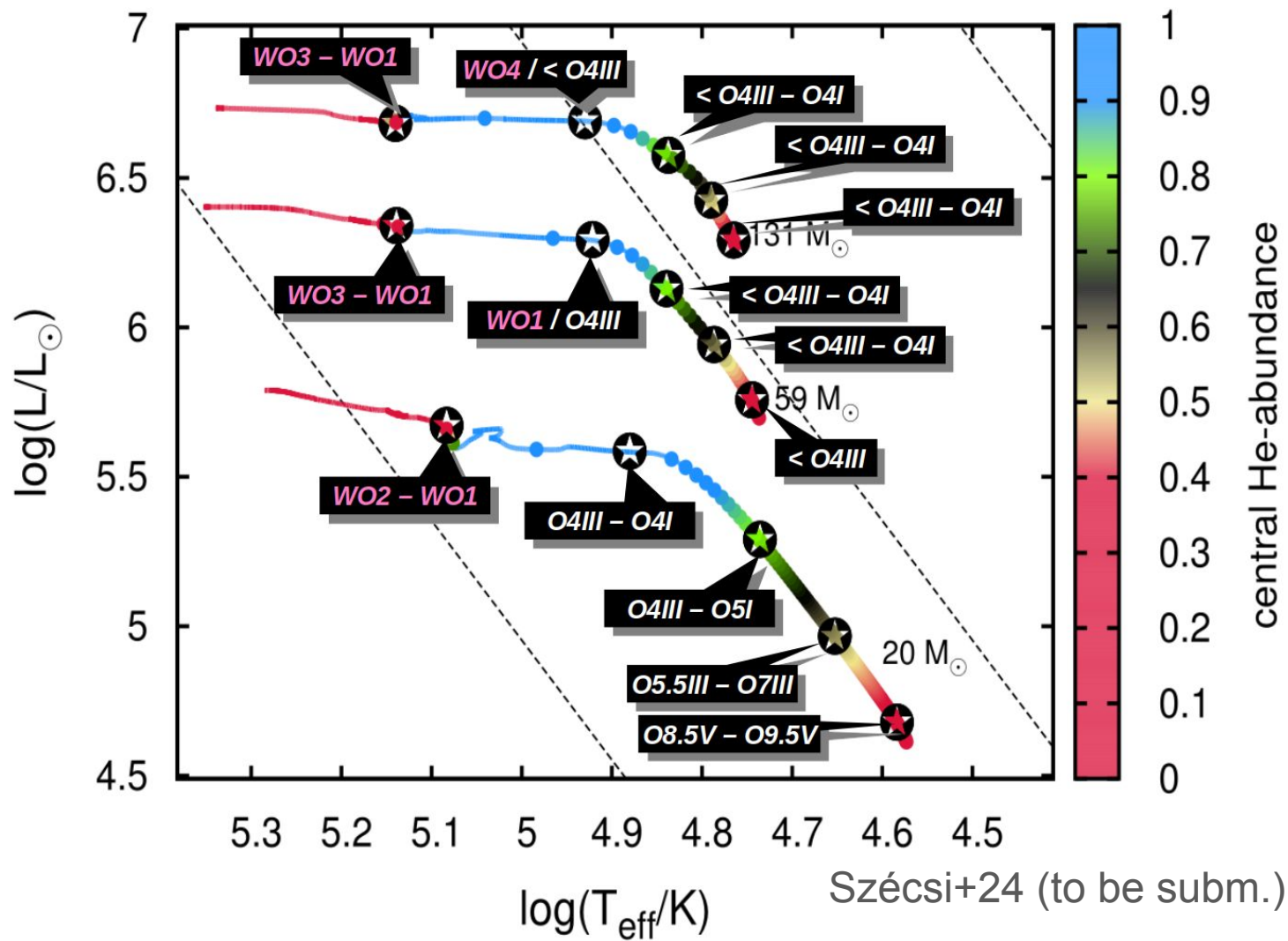
Szécsi & Wunsch'19, Szécsi+18











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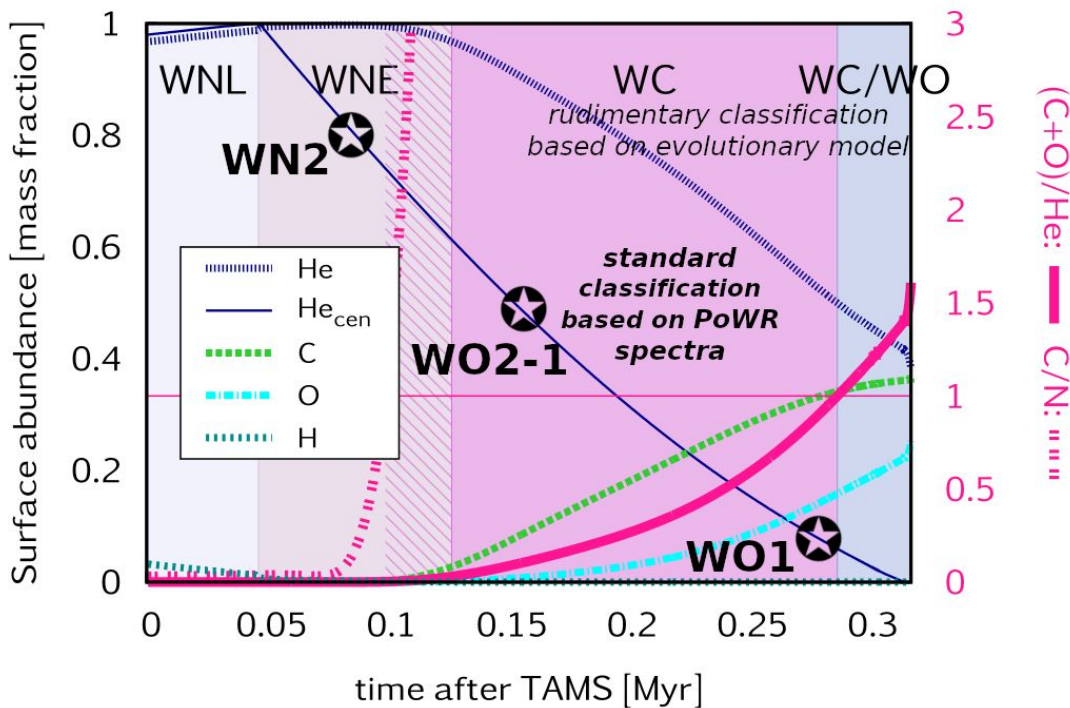
Szécsi+24 (to be subm.)

# A new evolutionary sequence for massive CHE stars (*aka* potential GW-progenitors):

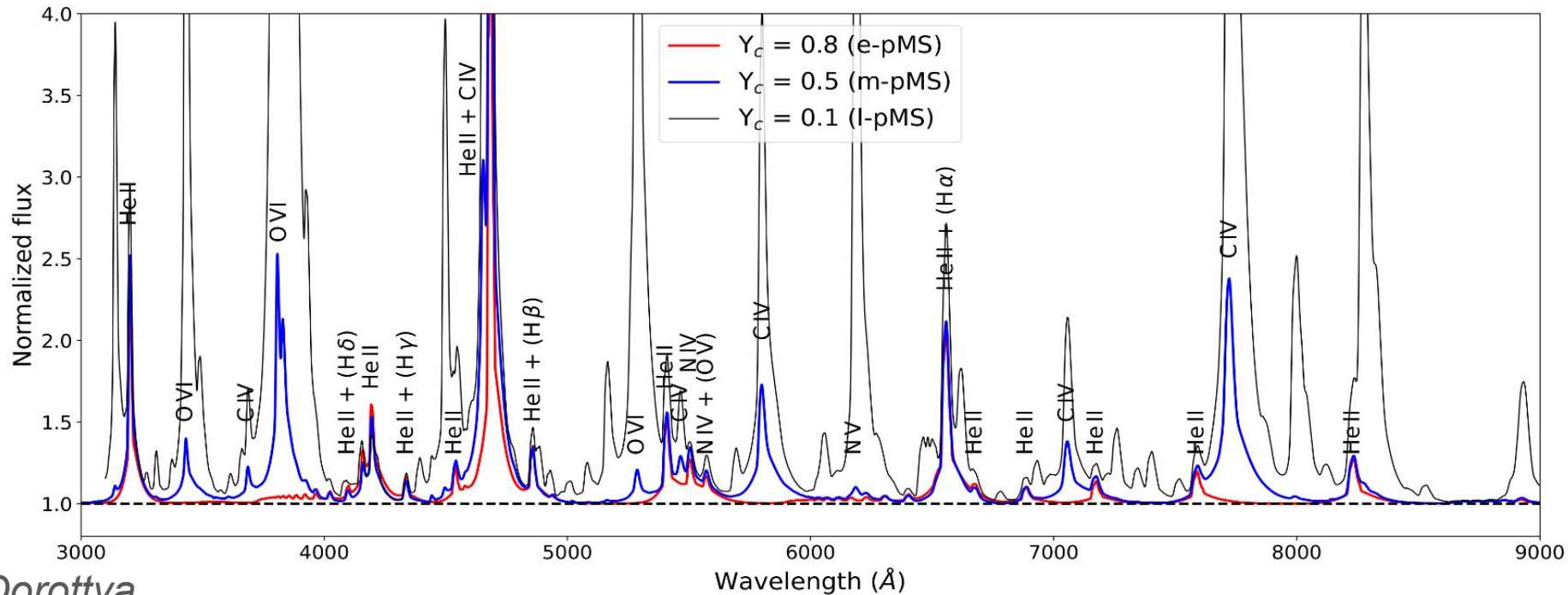
$M_i = 131 M_\odot$   $v_i = 600$  km/s

O  $\rightarrow$  WN  $\rightarrow$  WO

*i.e. no WC!*



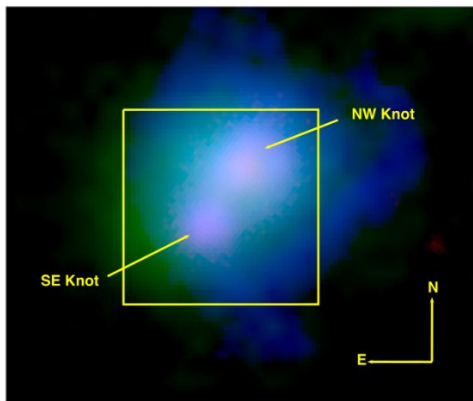
# PoWR models (credit: B.Kubátová)



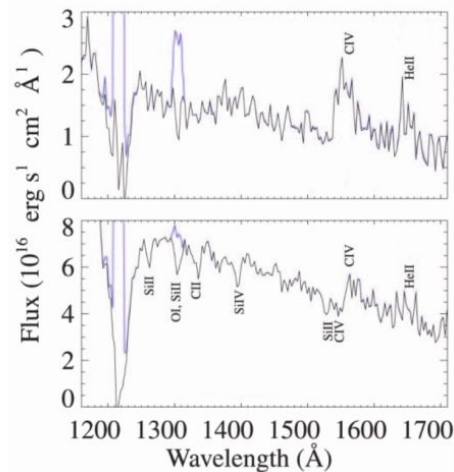
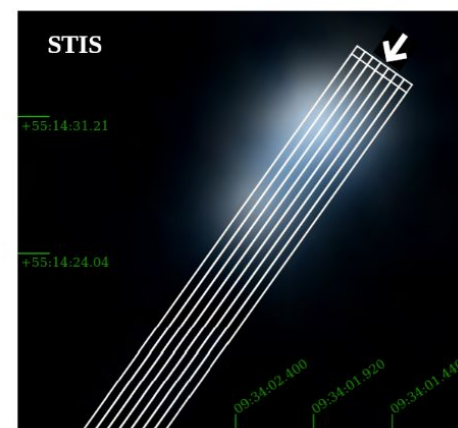
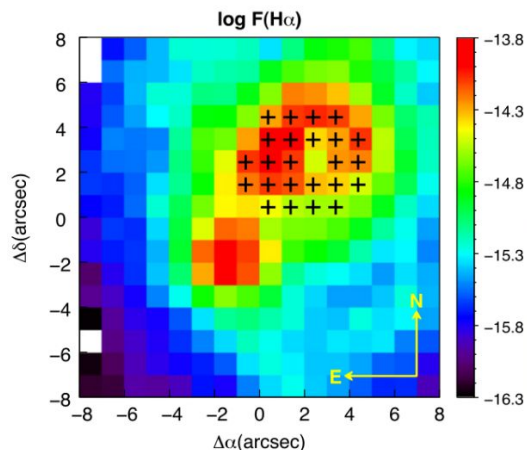
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# WC features in dwarf galaxies are in fact WO features?

## He-II ionization in IZw18 (NW region)



**Figure 1.** Color-composite image of IZw 18 (blue = H $\alpha$  from Palomar, green = far-UV/GALEX, red = SDSS r $^*$ ). The box represents the FOV (16"  $\times$  16") of the PMAS spectrograph over the galaxy main body and the extended H $\alpha$  halo. The PMAS FOV is centered on the coordinates R.A. (J2000.0) = 09<sup>h</sup>:34<sup>m</sup>:02<sup>s</sup>.2 and decl. (J2000.0) = +55 $^{\circ}$ :14':25".



**Fig. 9.** UV spectra reproduced from Brown et al. (2002). Observations taken with Hubble's Space Telescope Imaging Spectrograph (STIS) using the G140L grating and the 52"  $\times$  0".5 slit. The two spectra (bottom) are taken from two clusters in the North Western region which contain C IV bumps (top, the slit in question is pointed at by the white arrow). Note the presence of similar-sized He II bumps too.



# My people :D



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*Agrawal & Szécsi et al. (2022, MNRAS)*



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maybe you?  
hiring soon for  
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# Thanks!