

Post-AGB and PN : Crucial probes of stellar nucleosynthesis

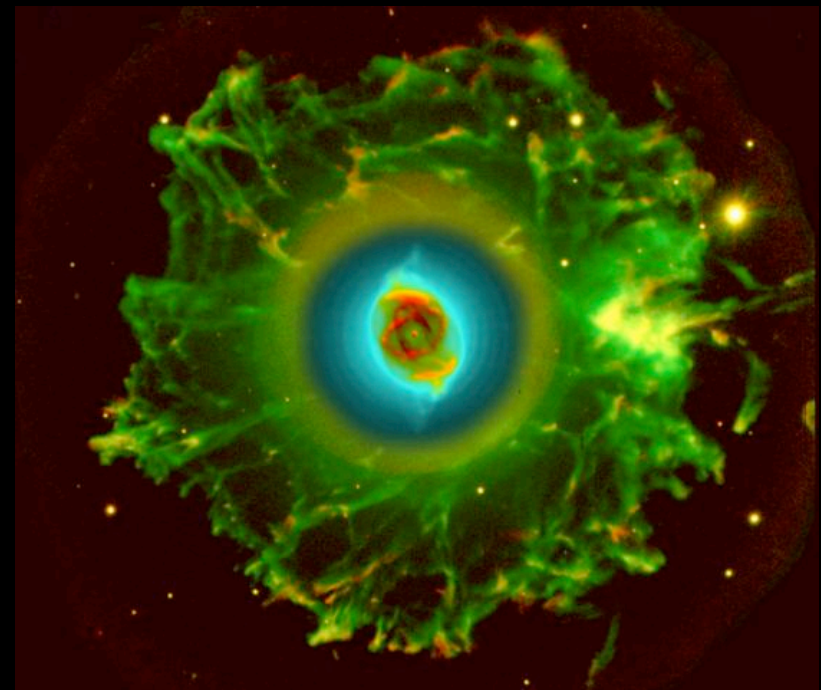


NGC 6543

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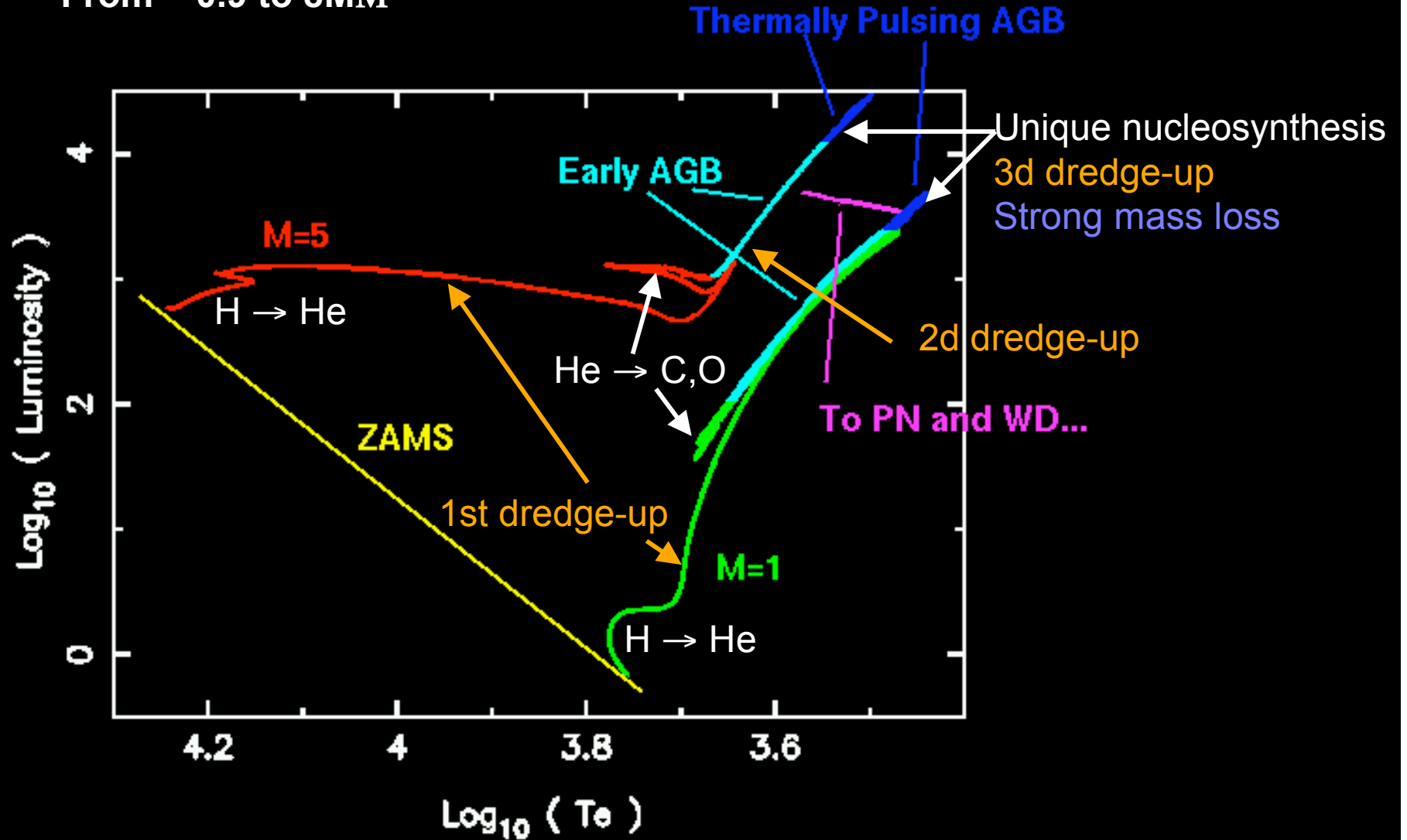
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Post-AGB and PN :

Crucial probes of stellar nucleosynthesis

- Nucleosynthesis in low- and intermediate-mass stars :
A global overview
- The impact of the input physics on the theoretical yields:
Mass loss, convection, HBB, 3DUP, rotation
- Crucial constraints from PNe and post-AGBs

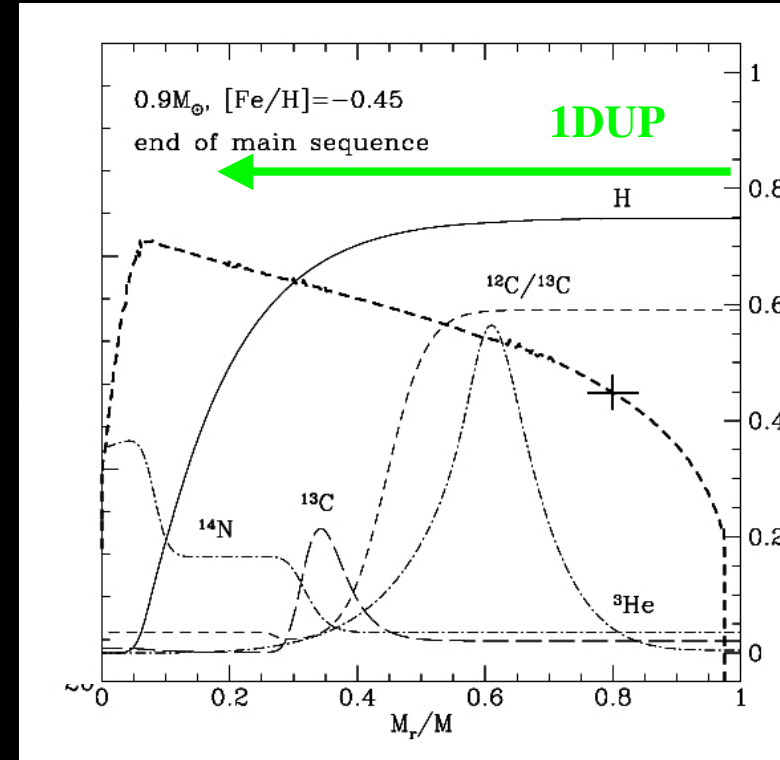
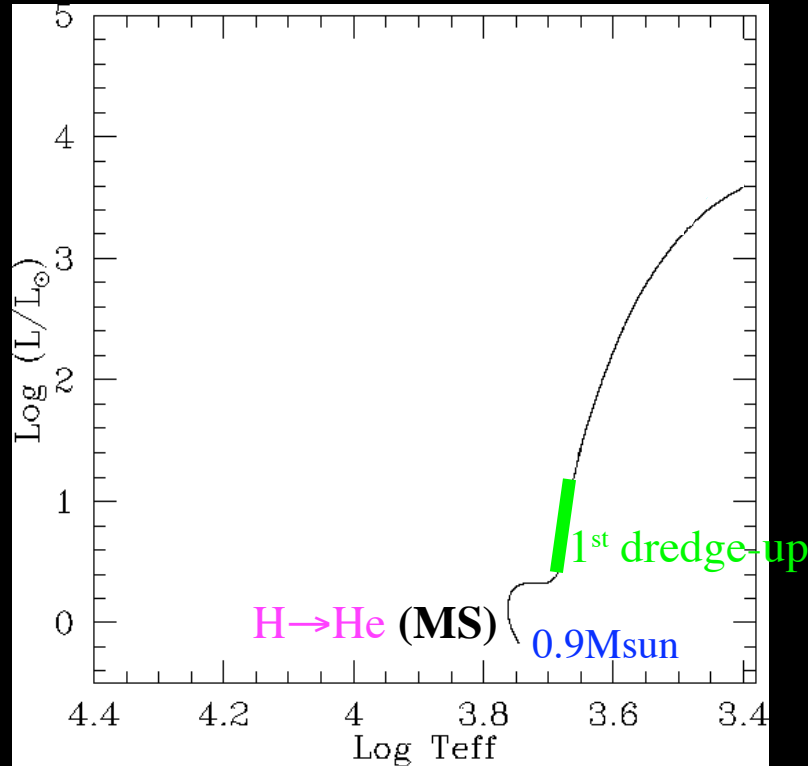
From ~ 0.9 to 8MM



Adapted from Lattanzio

Nucleosynthesis before the TP-AGB

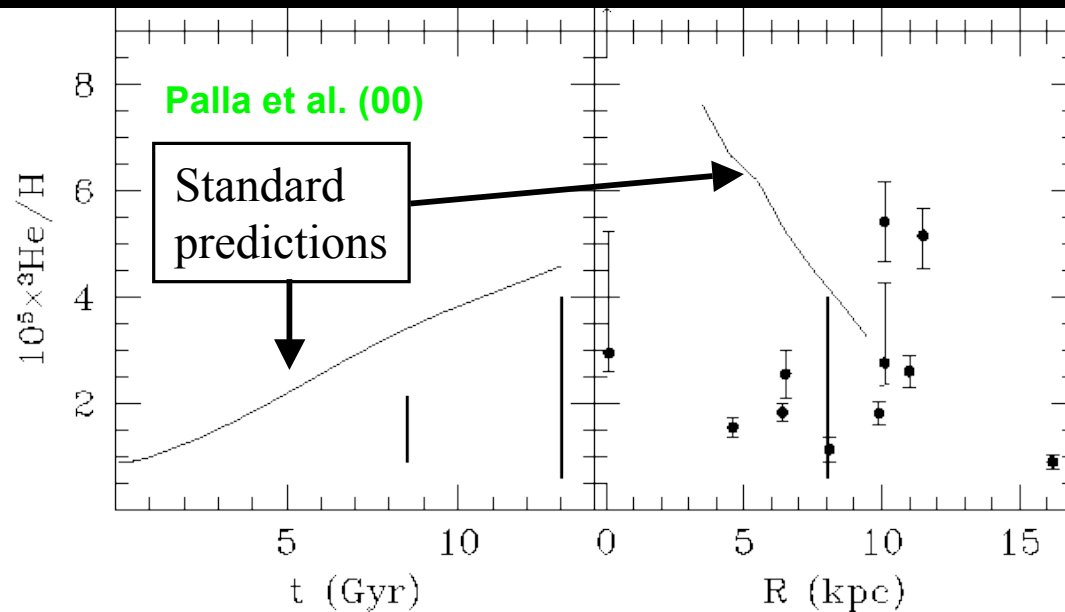
Main sequence and 1st dredge-up : The cases of ^3He and $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$



Mass fractions
 100 x $X(^3\text{He}, ^{14}\text{N})$
 1000 x $X(^{13}\text{C})$
 $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C} / 100$

$^3\text{He} \uparrow$, $^7\text{Li} \downarrow$ ($\sim 1/25$), $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C} \downarrow$ ($90 \rightarrow 30, 20$), $^{12}\text{C} \downarrow$ ($\sim 30\%$), $^{14}\text{N} \uparrow$ ($\times 2$)
O, heavier elements unchanged

Consequences for the evolution of ^3He in the Galaxy ?



Solar neighborhood
(PSC & LIC)

Geiss (93)

Gloeckler & Geiss (96)

HII regions

Rood et al. (95)

A nuclear solution?

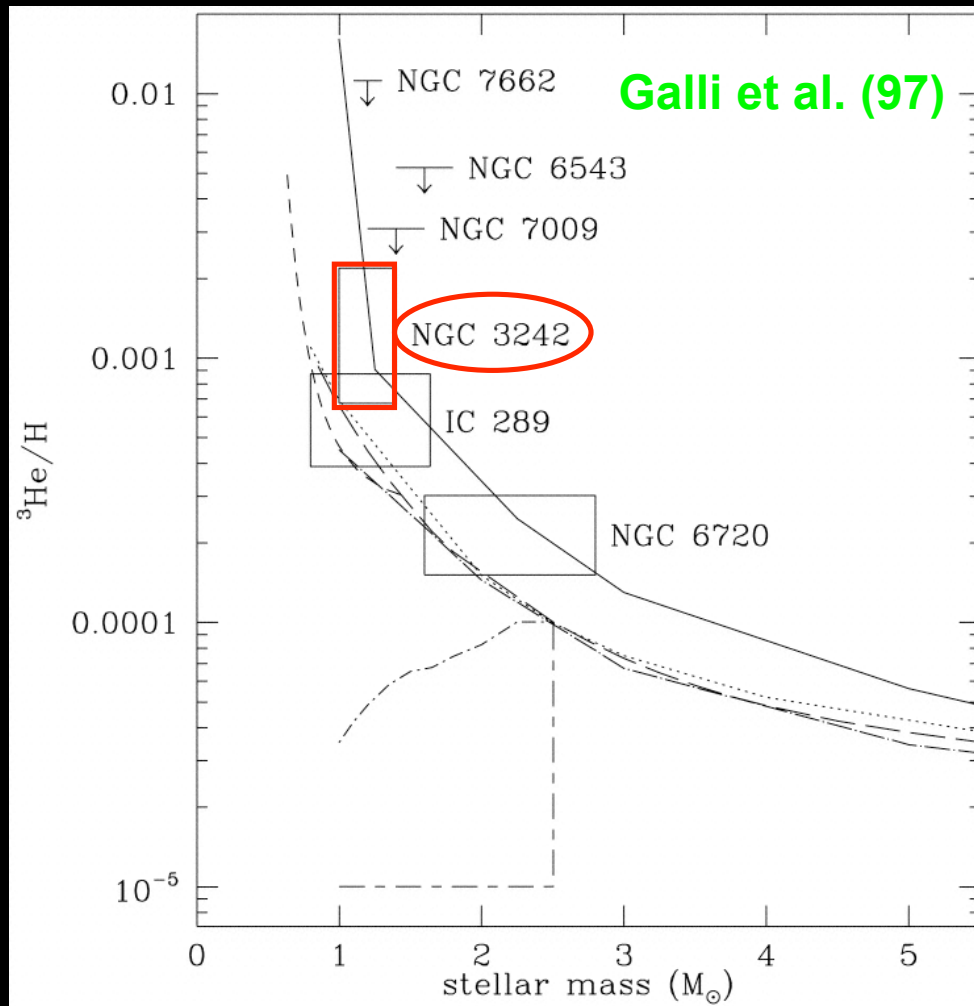
Low energy resonance in the
cross section of
 $^3\text{He}(^3\text{He}, 2p)^4\text{He}$?

Excluded by the LUNA
experiment (Gran Sasso)

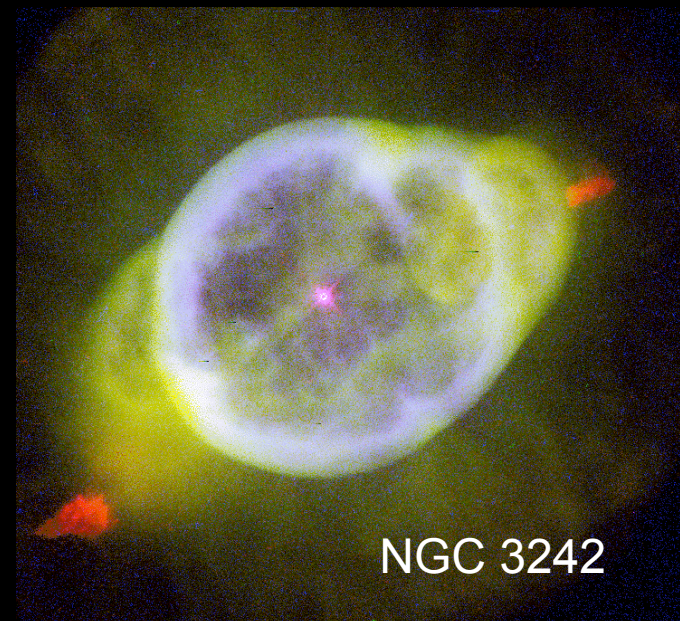
Junker et al. (98)

« The galactic ^3He problem »

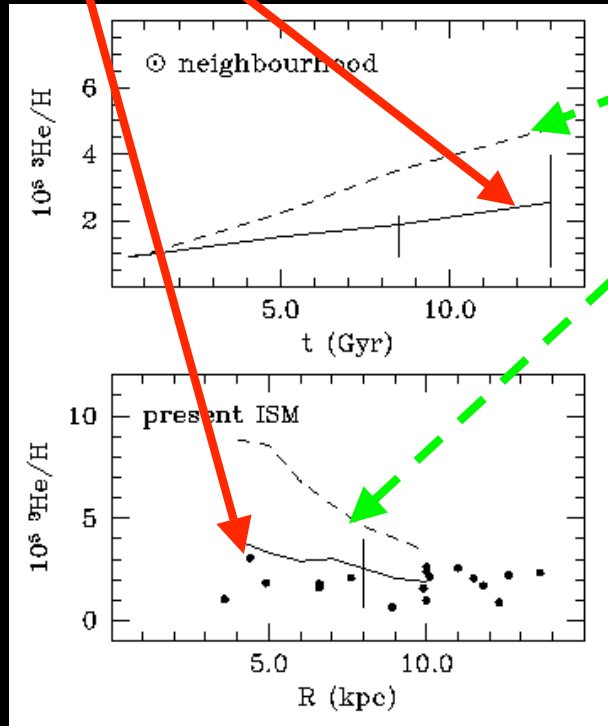
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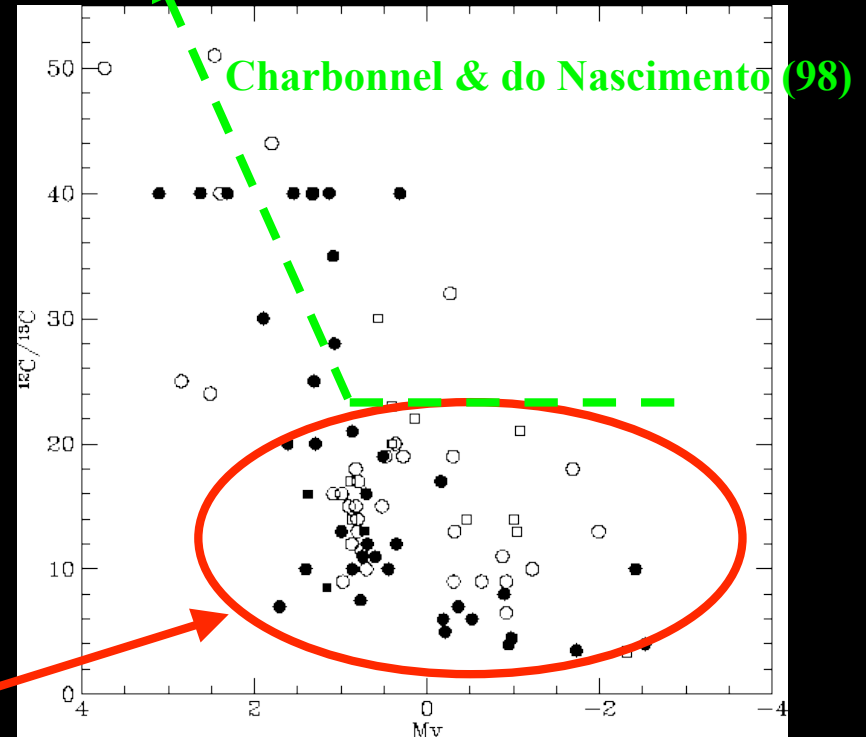


> 90% of the low-mass stars must destroy ^3He



Palla et al. (02)
See also Tosi (98)

Standard predictions

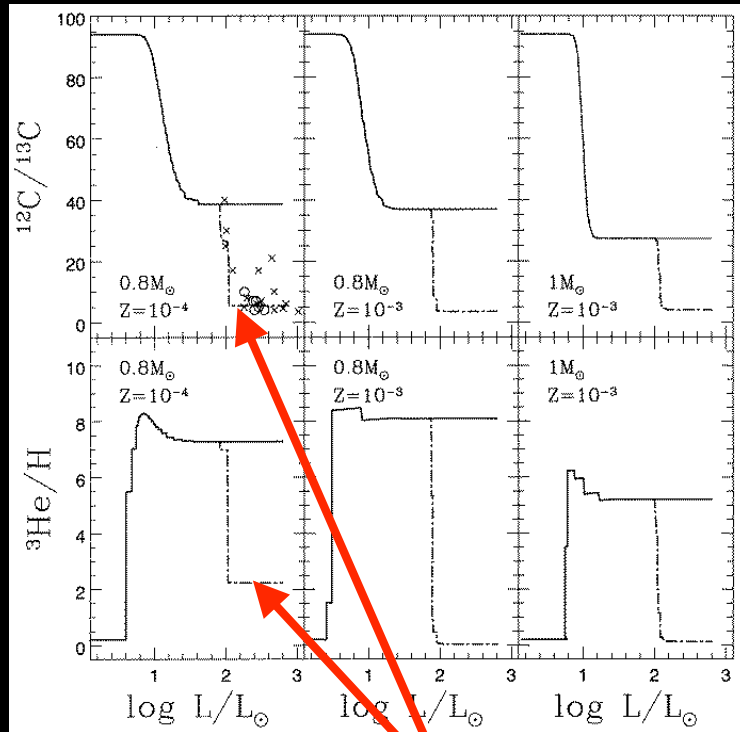


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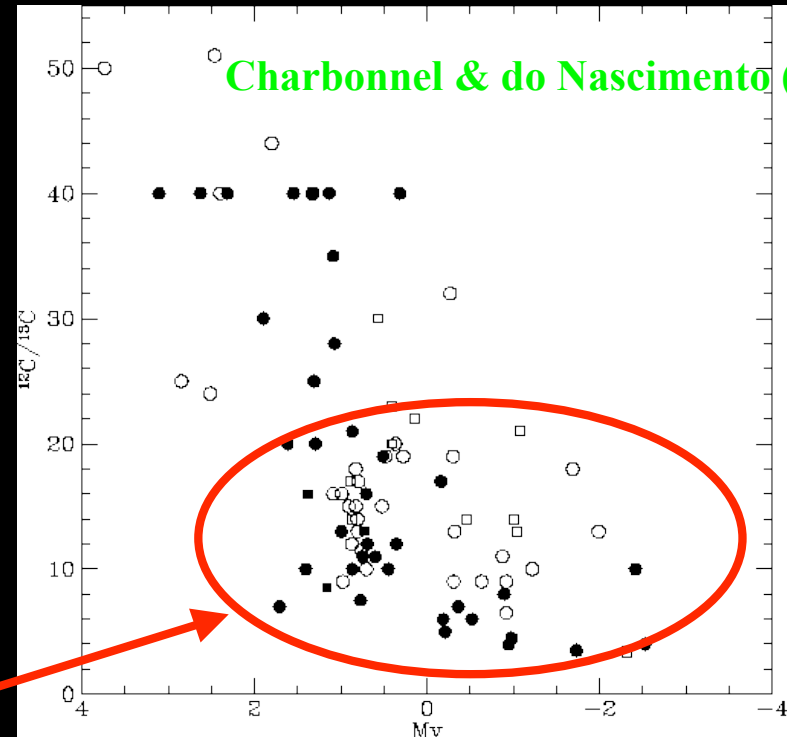
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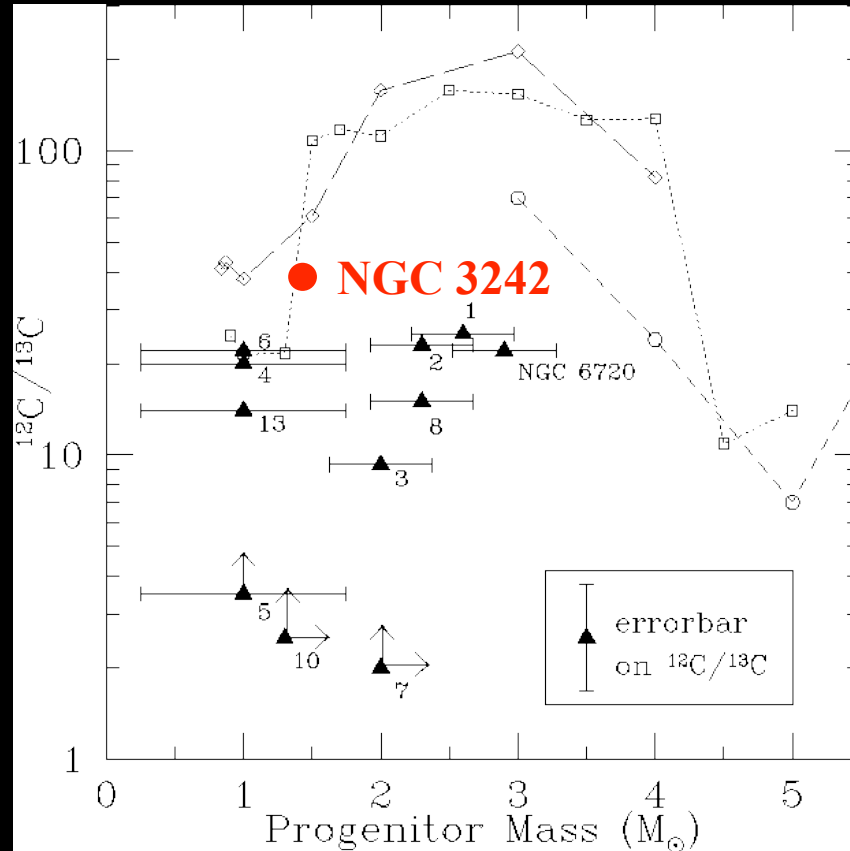
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- - - Rotation

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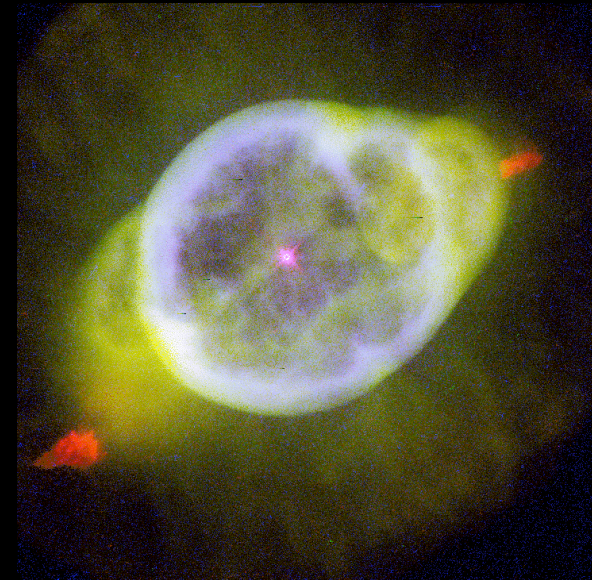
$^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$ in PNe



Palla et al. (00)

Palla et al. (02)

Ejecta at the tip of the AGB (ZM) :
 Van den Hoek & Groenewegen (97)
 Forestini & Charbonnel (97) - - -
 Marigo (98) — — —



NGC 3242 belongs to the 4% of LMS which do not destroy ^3He nor lower $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$

Nucleosynthesis on the TP-AGB

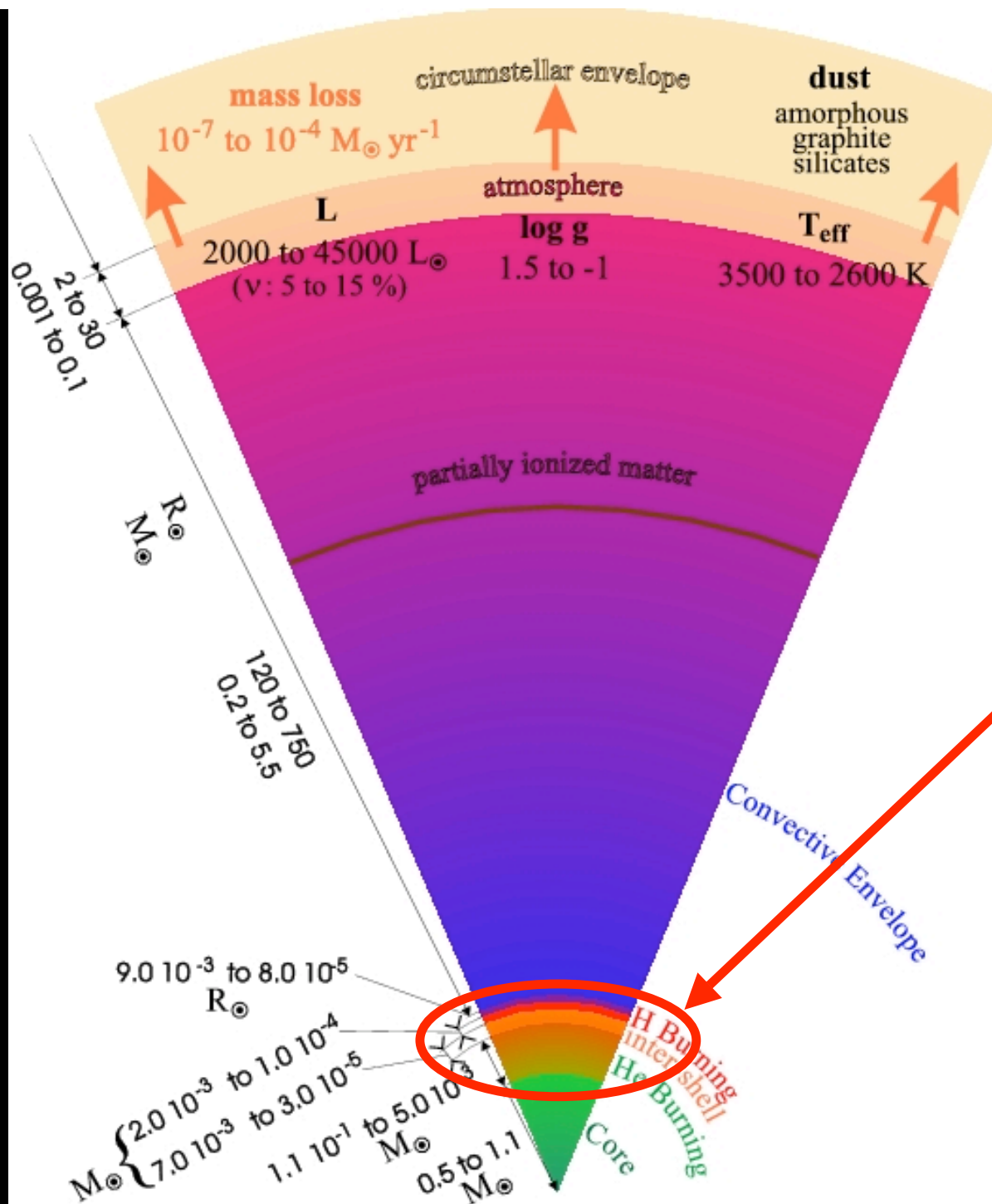
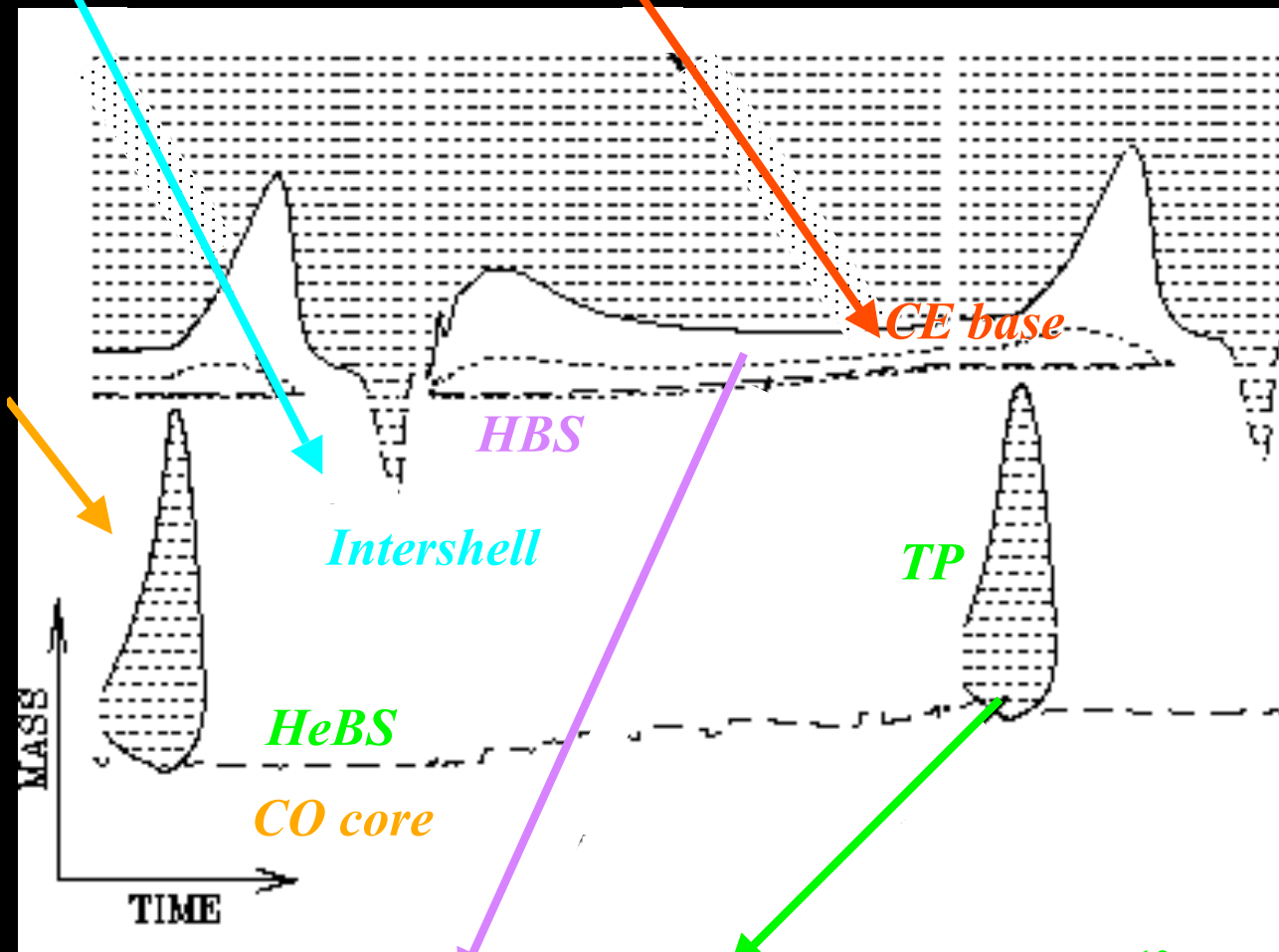


Figure by M.Forestini

Transport of H into C-rich layers
 Radiative s-process via $^{13}\text{C}(\alpha,n)^{16}\text{O}$
 during the interpulse

HBB ($M \geq 4M_{\text{sun}}$)
 CNO (primary ^{14}N), NeNa, MgAl
 ^7Li via Cameron-Fowler mechanism



3d dredge-up
 ashes of the
 thermal pulse
 brought to the
 surface
 He, ^{12}C
 ^{16}O , ^{22}Ne , ^{25}Mg
 s-process

H burning
 CNO, NeNa, MgAl

He burning $3\alpha \rightarrow$ primary $^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow$ ^{14}N (CNO)
 $^{14}\text{N}(\alpha,\gamma)^{18}\text{F}(\beta+)^{18}\text{O}(\alpha,\gamma)^{22}\text{Ne}$
 $^{22}\text{Ne}(\alpha,n)^{25}\text{Mg}$, $^{22}\text{Ne}(\alpha,\gamma)^{26}\text{Mg}$
 s-elements and ^{15}N from intershell ^{13}C burning

- ✓ Third dredge-up ($M \geq 1.5\text{MM}$ at ZM)
 products of He-burning in the TP
 ${}^4\text{He}$, ${}^{12}\text{C}$, ${}^{16}\text{O}$, ${}^{22}\text{Ne}$, ${}^{25}\text{Mg}$, s-process elements increase
- ✓ Hot-bottom burning ($M \geq 4 - 4.5\text{MM}$)
 CN-cycle : ${}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{13}\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{14}\text{N}$
 ON-cycle : ${}^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow {}^{14}\text{N}$

Predictions depend on

- ✓ Stellar parameters
 M , Z
- ✓ Input physics prescriptions
 Nuclear reaction rates, opacities, ...
- ✓ Various incompletely understood physical parameters
 Mass loss, convection, transport processes, rotation, ...
 which rests on *semiempirical calibrations*
 (e.g. C star luminosity function, initial-final M relation)
 that have to be *extrapolated*
 to a range of M , Z for which *no empirical data* are available

Illustration of the uncertainties on the yields

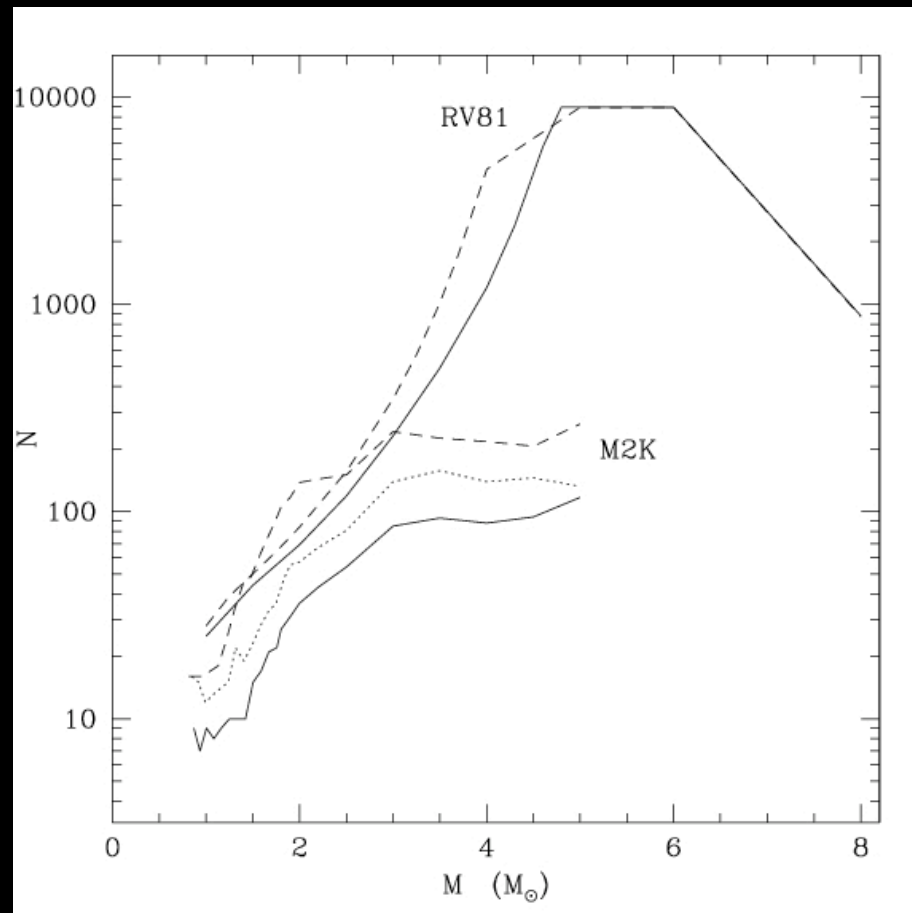
→ Mass loss

Mass loss affects the AGB duration, i.e.

the number and strength of TPs and subsequent 3d DUP events
and the growth of M_{core}

A minimum M_{envelop} is required for HBB and 3d DUP to occur

HBB may be shut down long before 3d DUP ends



Expected number of TP vs initial M^*

Renzini & Voli (81)

Reimers law (75), no superwind

Marigo (00)

Vassiliadis & Wood (93)

$Z = Z_M$ ———

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0.004 - - -

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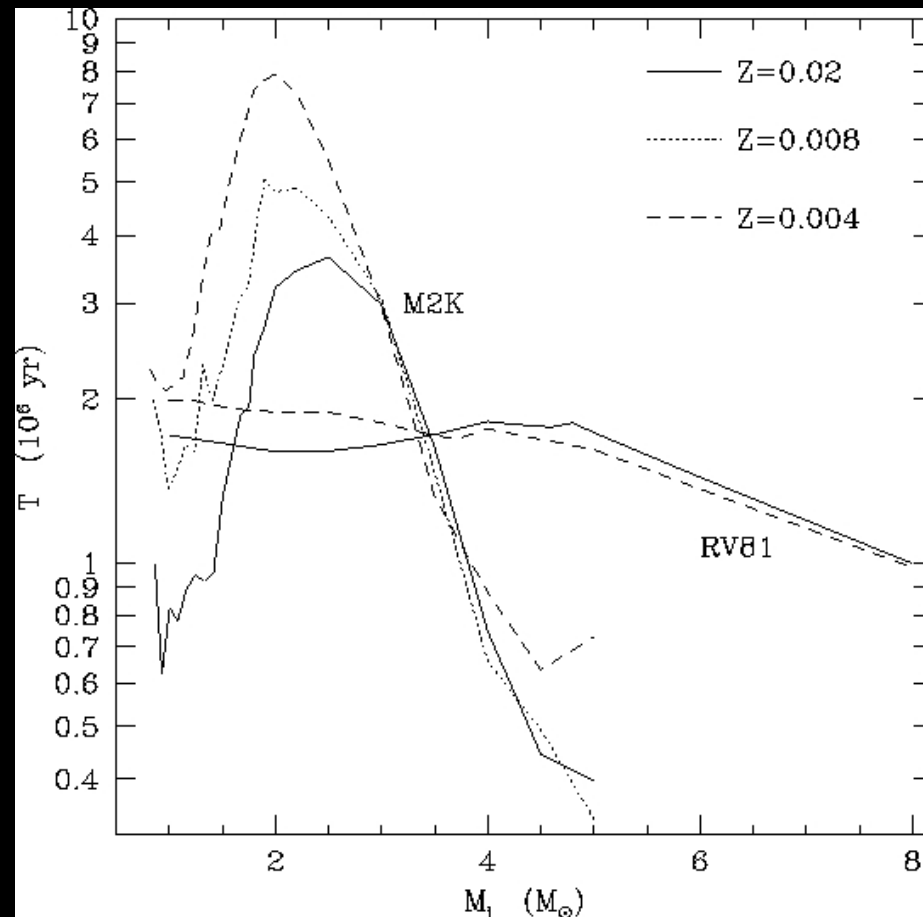
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TP-AGB lifetimes vs initial M^*

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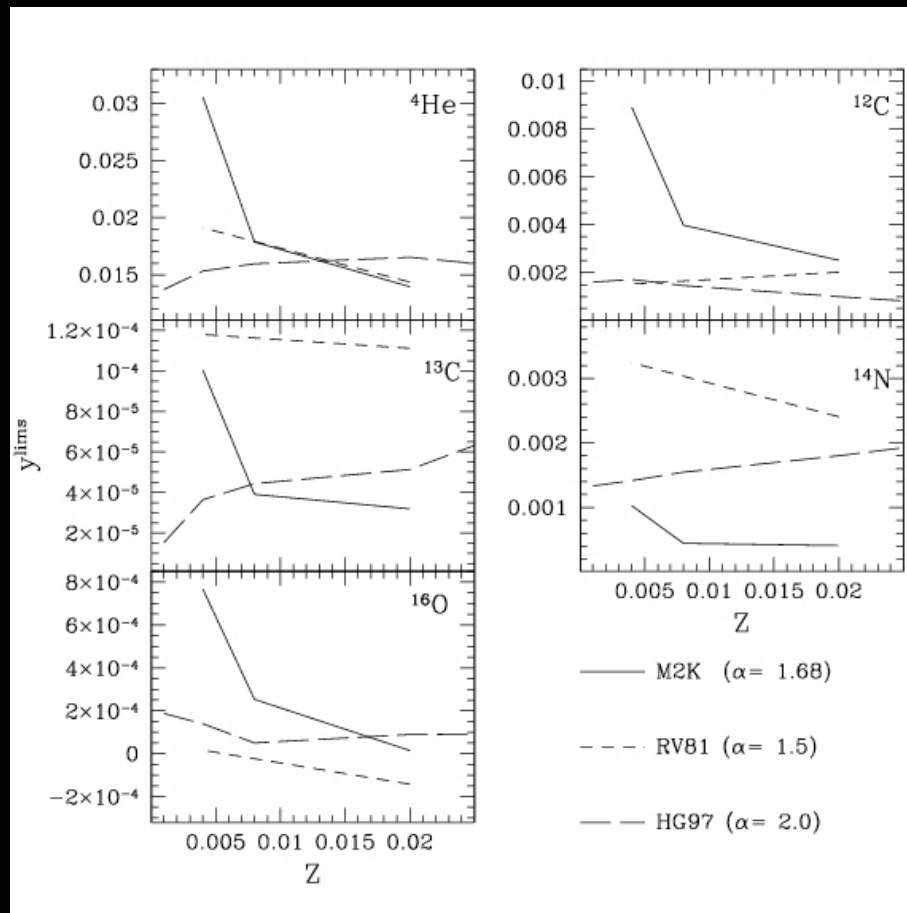
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Integrated yields as a function of Z

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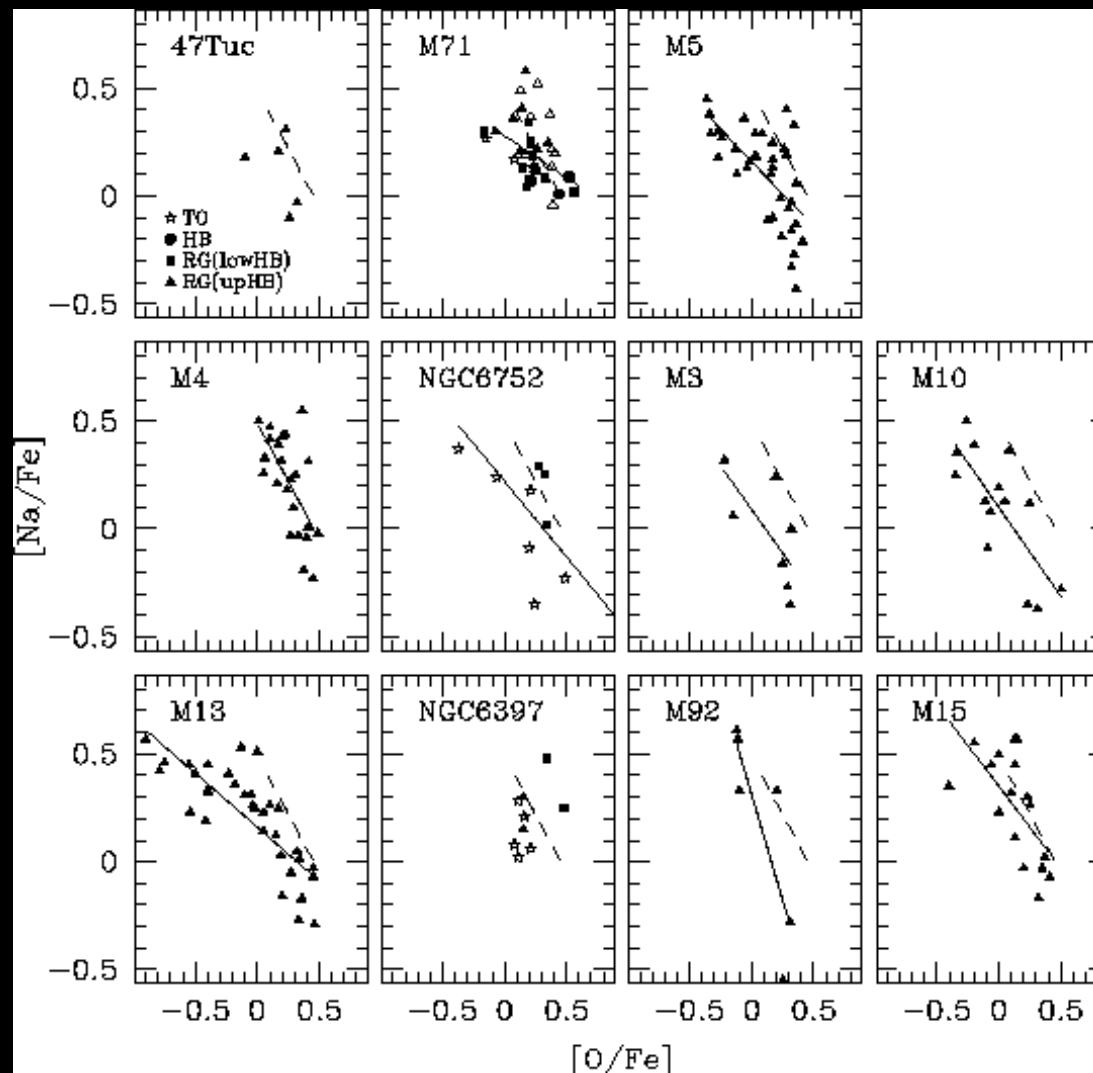
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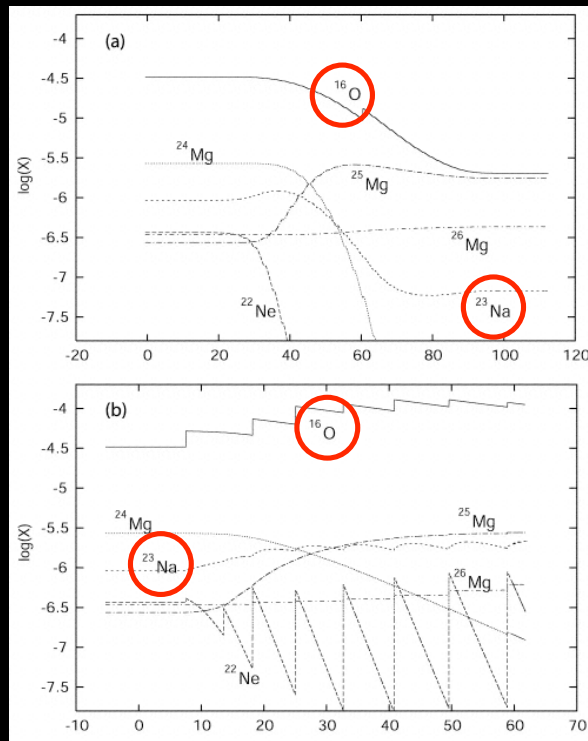
→ HBB and 3d DUP

O-Na anticorrelation in galactic globular clusters



O, Na evolution at the surface of a low-Z massive TP-AGB star

Delicate interplay of 3d dredge-up and hot bottom burning



t/1000yr
(t=0 : 1st TP)

(a) No 3DUP, only HBB

→ Large ^{16}O depletion

→ ^{23}Na depletion

(due to the lack of ^{22}Ne dredged-up)

(b) Strong 3DUP, HBB, no mass loss

→ 3DUP of the ^{16}O -rich layers below the TP

→ ^{23}Na increase (from dredged-up ^{22}Ne)

Full evolution models

Denissenkov & Herwig (03)

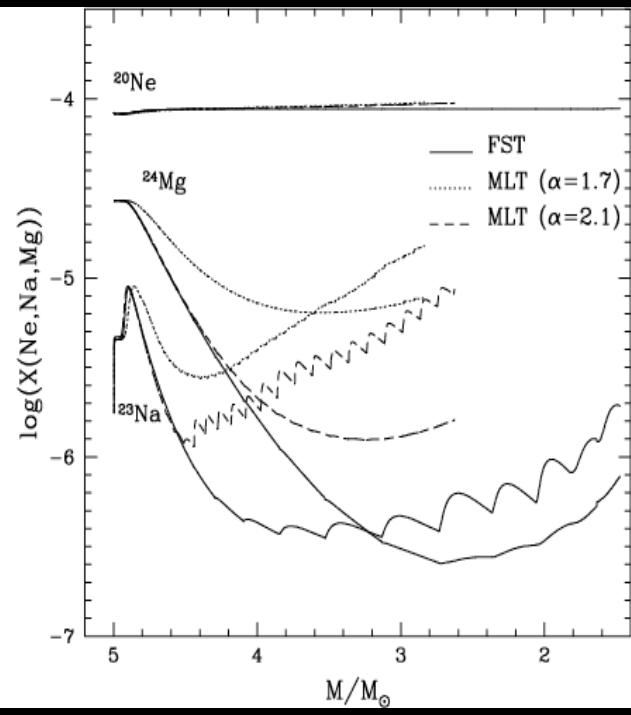
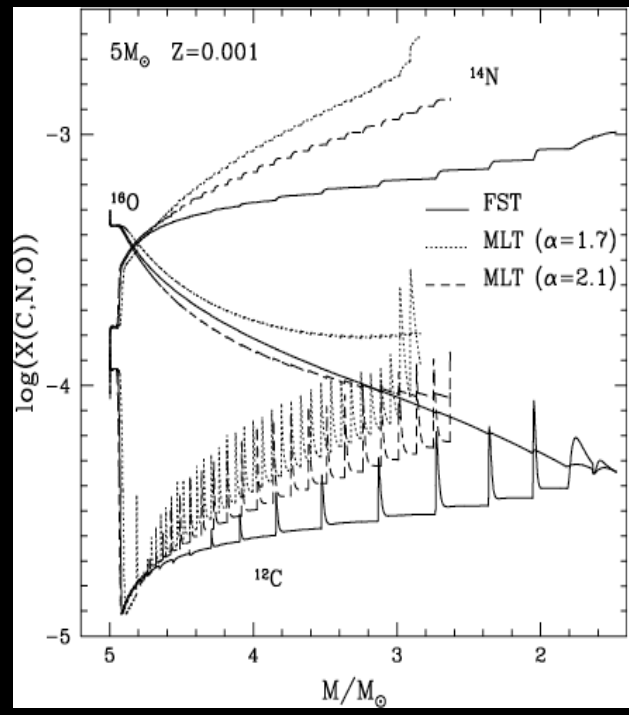
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→ Convection

Impact of convection on nucleosynthesis

Ventura & D'Antona (05 I)
See also Renzini & Voli (81), Sackmann & Boothroyd (91),
Blöcker & Schönberner (91), D'Antona & Mazzitelli (96)

Full Spectrum of Turbulence (Canuto & Mazzitelli 91)
→ much more efficient HBB than with MLT
(on the AGB : higher L, stronger mass loss)



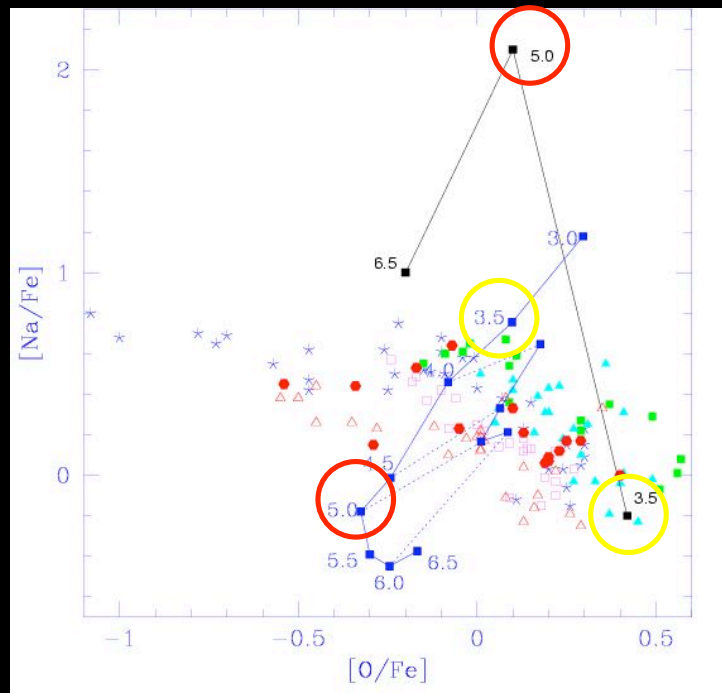
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MLT17 :
Little O depletion (factor of ~2)
Extremely large increase of Na and N
C+N+O increase by ~ 0.8dex

FST : _____
Largest O depletion
Slight decrease of Na
C+N+O conserved

Impact of convection on nucleosynthesis

Ventura & D'Antona (05 II)



Fenner et al.(04)

Overproduction of (primary) ^{23}Na
due to the burning of dredged-up ^{20}Ne

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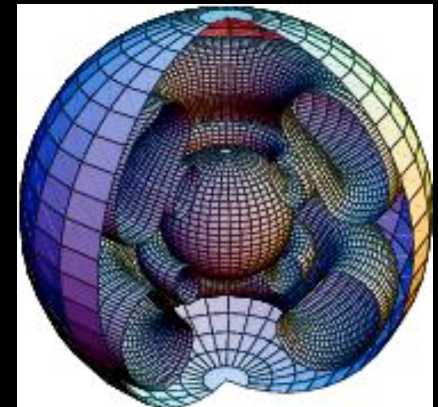
Underproduction of ^{23}Na
due to smaller number of 3DUP episodes
and larger T

Both sets are unable to reproduce the data

« The predictive power of AGB models
is still undermined by many uncertainties » (VD'A05)

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→ **Rotation**

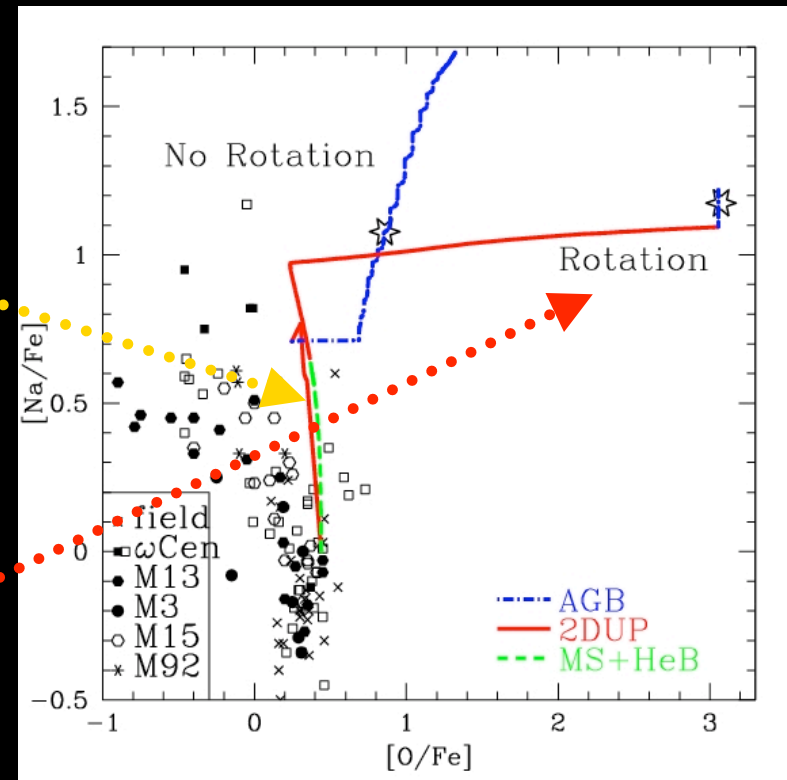
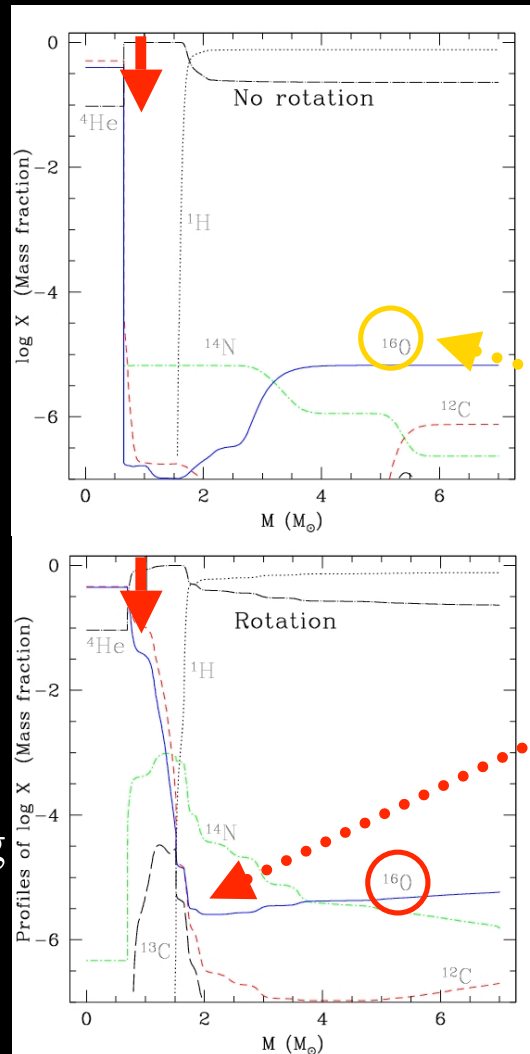


O and Na *in rotating intermediate-mass stars*

Decressin, Charbonnel, Siess, Palacios, Meynet (05)

$7M_M$ star,
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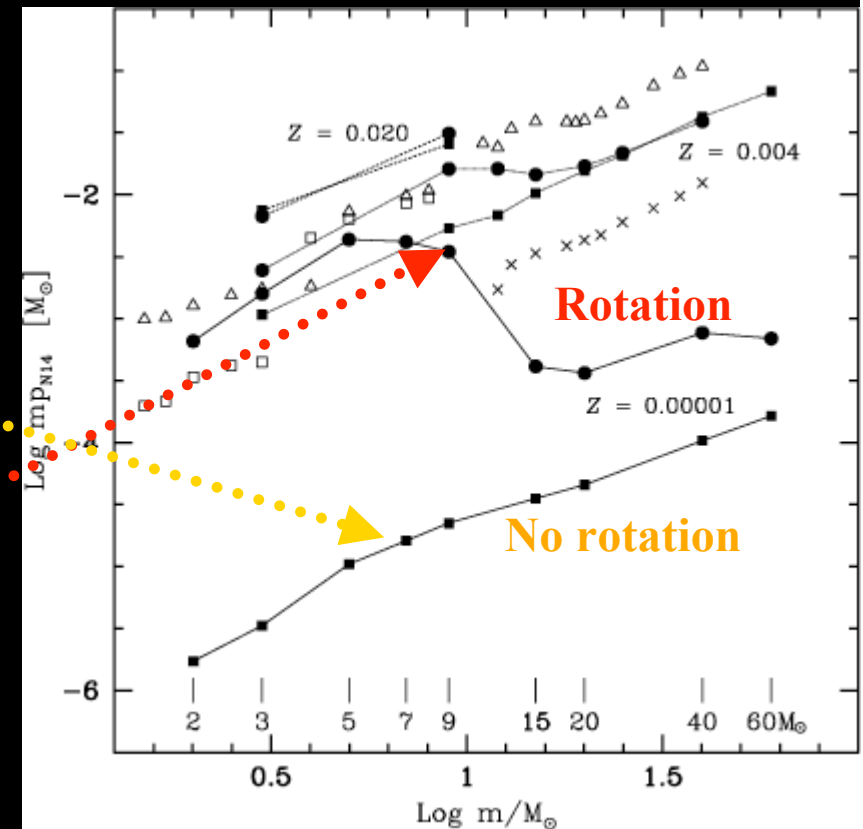
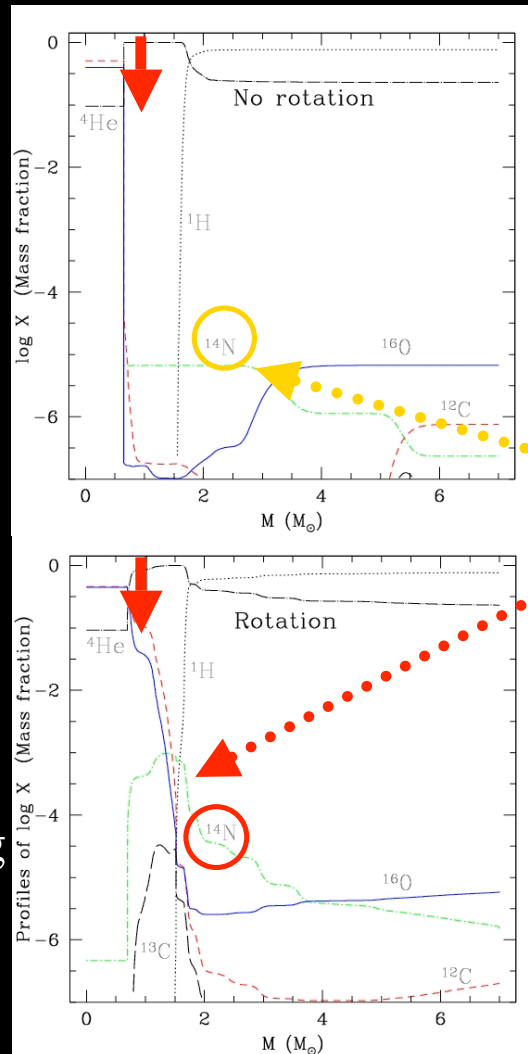


Primary ^{14}N in rotating intermediate-mass stars

Meynet & Maeder (02)

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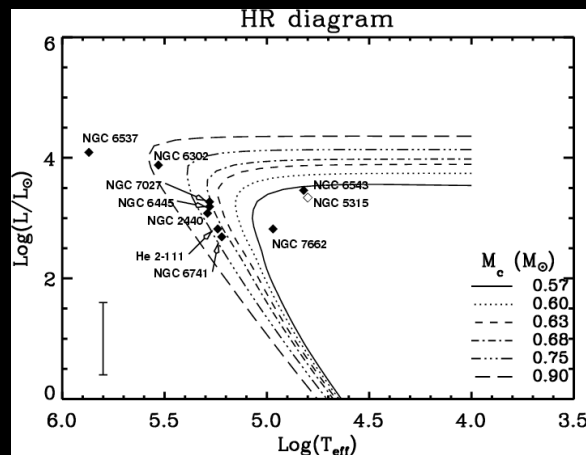
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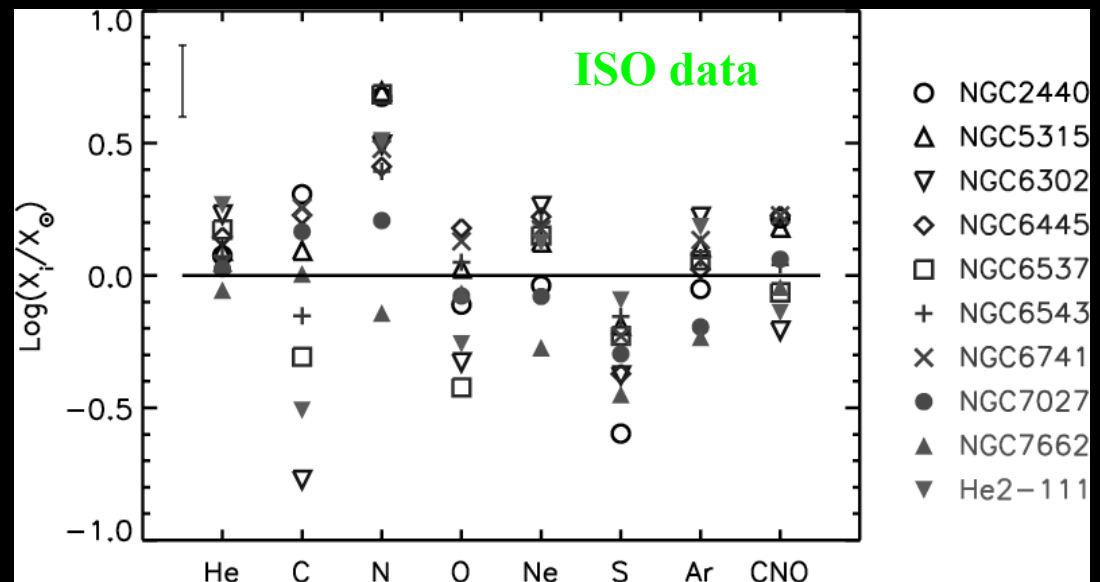
**The importance
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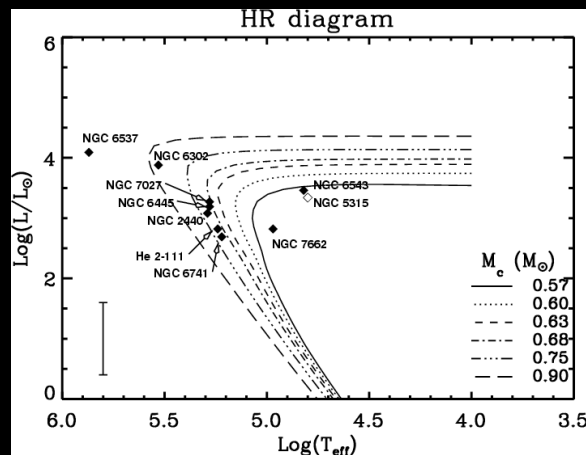
Marigo et al. (03)
vs Grevesse & Sauval (98)
+ O from Allende-Prieto et al. (01)



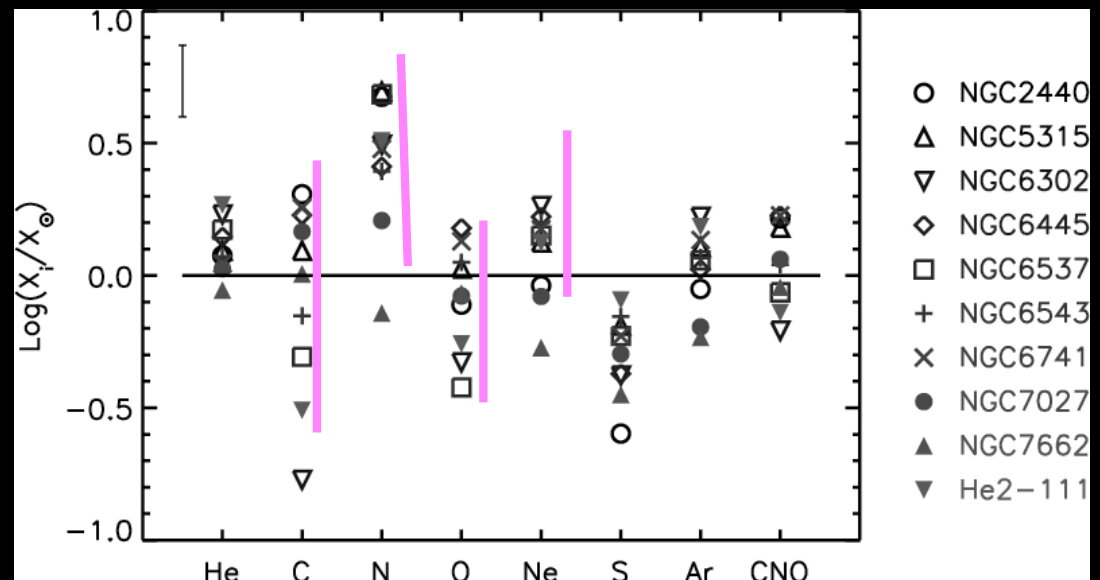
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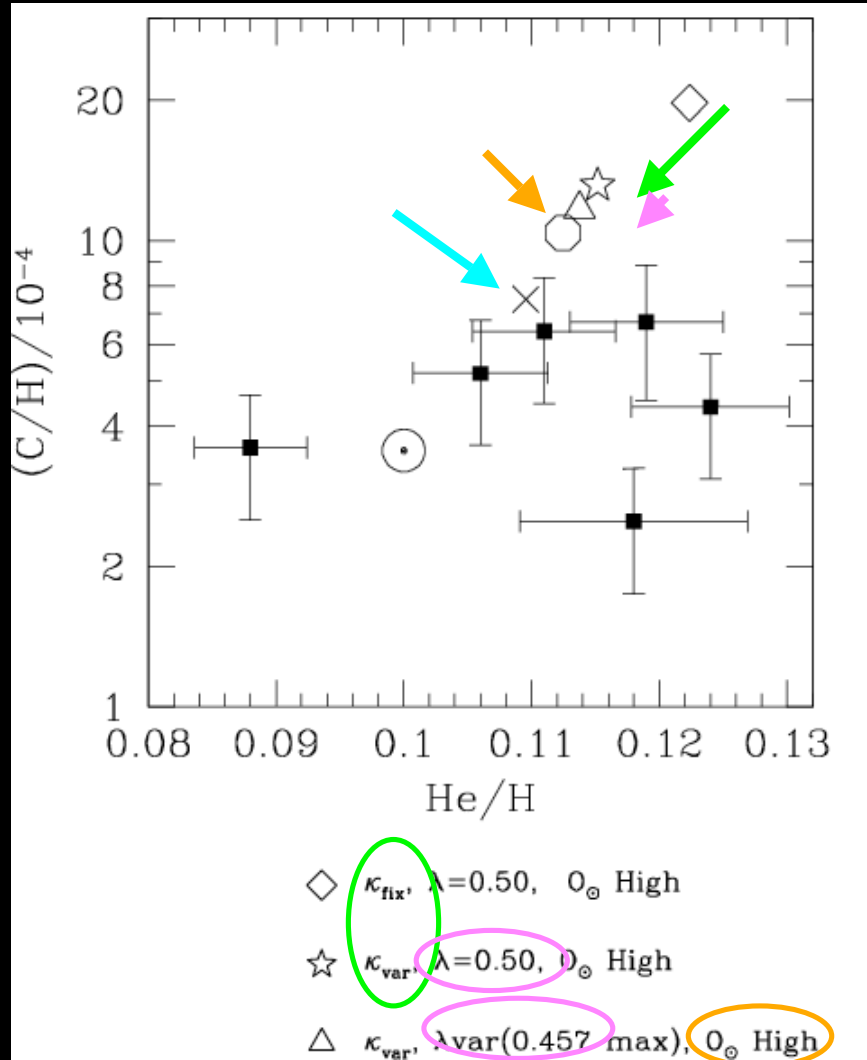
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Marigo et al. (03)
vs Asplund et al. (05)



Reproducing the C enrichment



Variable molecular opacity
(Marigo 02)

Dredge-up efficiency $\propto t_{\text{AGB}}, M, Z$
(Karakas et al. 02)

O initial abundance
(Allende-Prieto et al. 01)

Maximum dredge-up efficiency

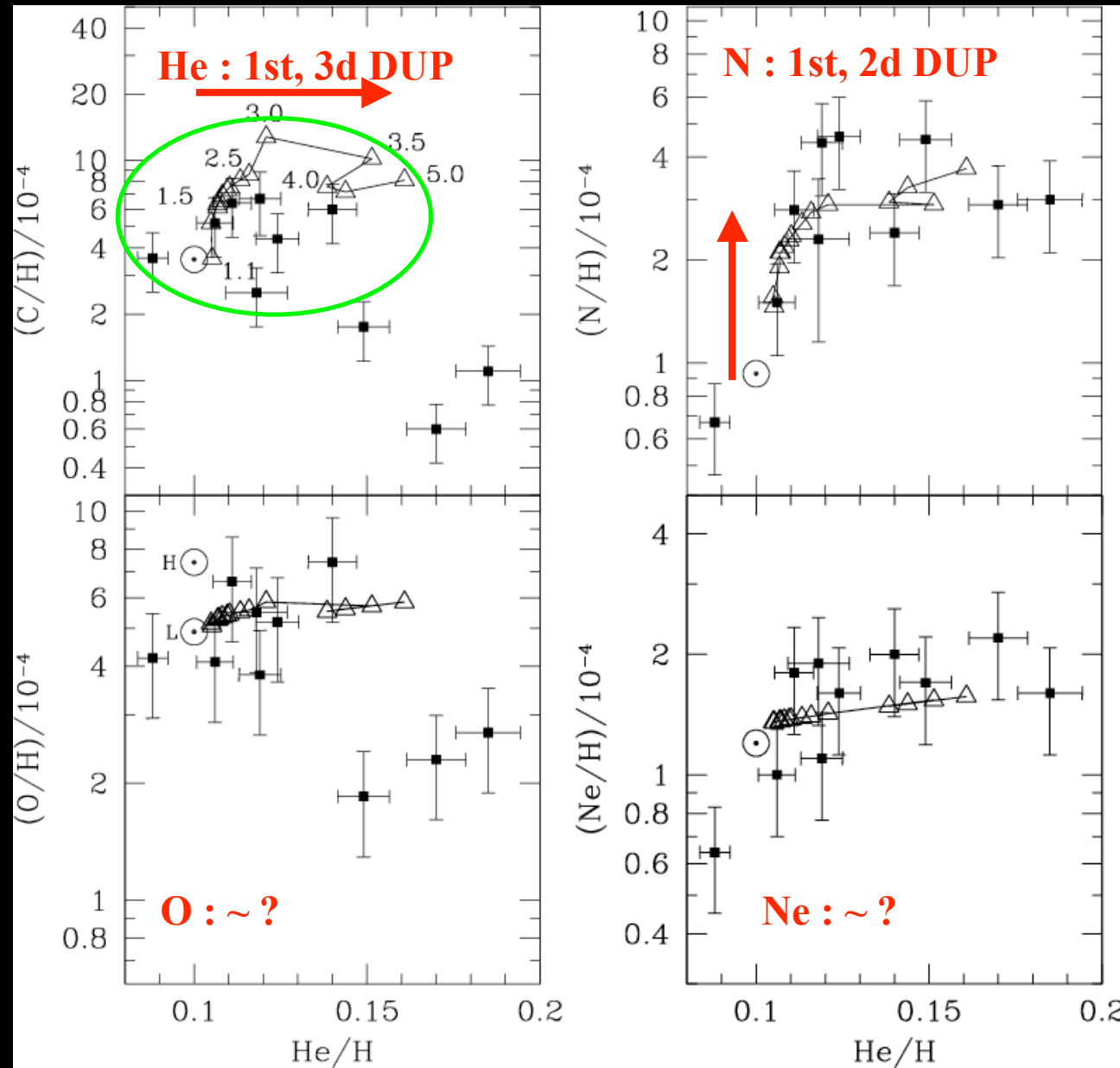
Synthetic AGB calculations, $M_i = 2M, Z = 0.019$

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Synthetic AGB calculations, ZM

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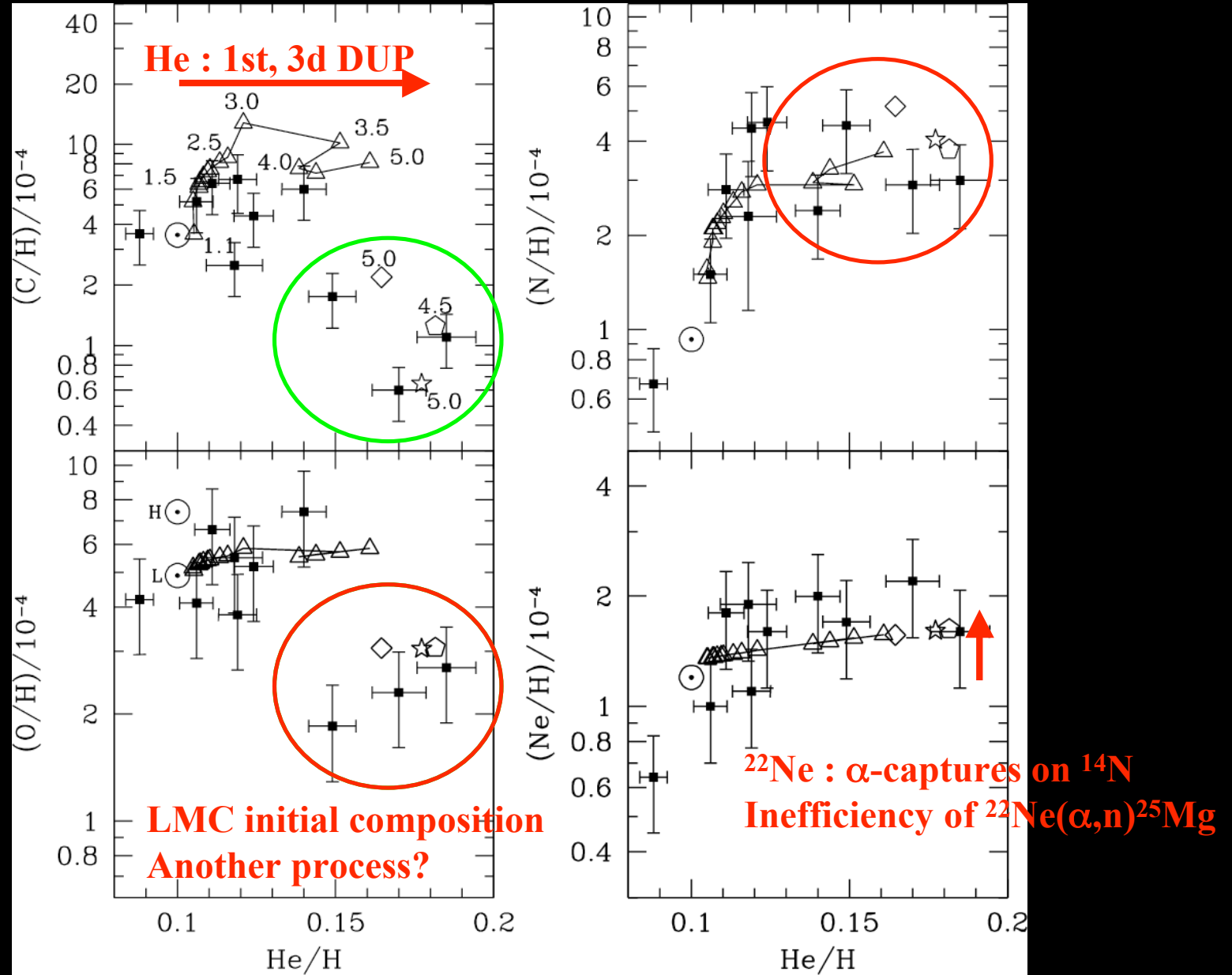
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The importance of post-AGBs as constraints on nucleosynthesis

The advantages of the post-AGBs

- ✓ Stellar mass can be directly obtained from the observed stellar spectrum
(model atmosphere → T_{eff} , g)
(easier than for the hotter and buried PNe)
- ✓ Abundances of quite a variety of elements :
He, Li, C, N, O, Na, Mg, Al, Si, S, Ca, Sc, Ti, Fe, Ni, Zn, ...
- ✓ C : smaller uncertainty than in PNe
- ✓ Extend to smaller masses than nuclei of PNe

Post-AGBs as testbeds of nucleosynthesis

Stasinska, Szczerba, Schmidt, Siódmiak (05)

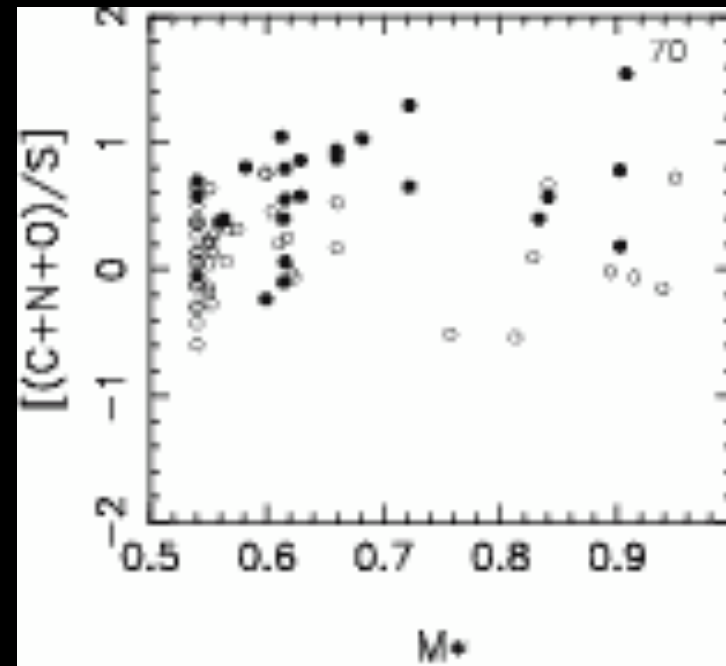
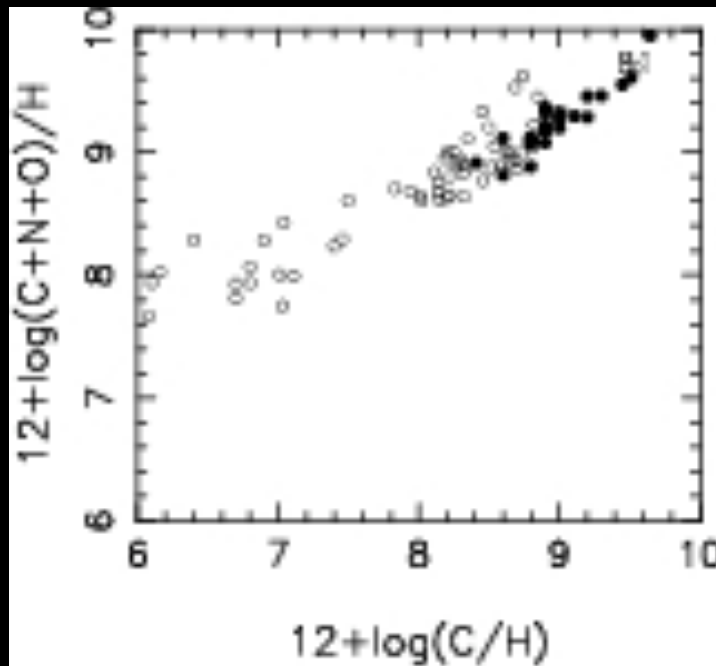
Data base of 177 post-AGB objects
with determined photospheric parameters (T_{eff} , g) and chemical composition

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3DUP effect

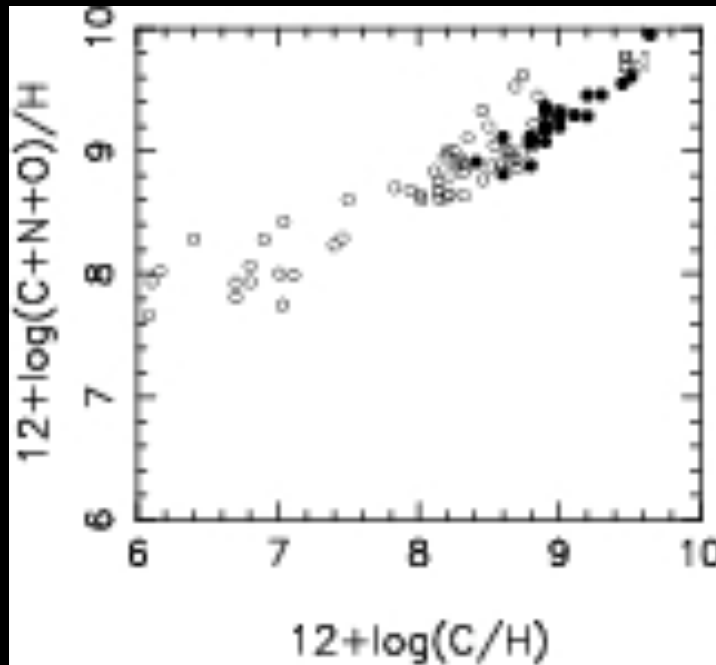
in 73% of the sample stars



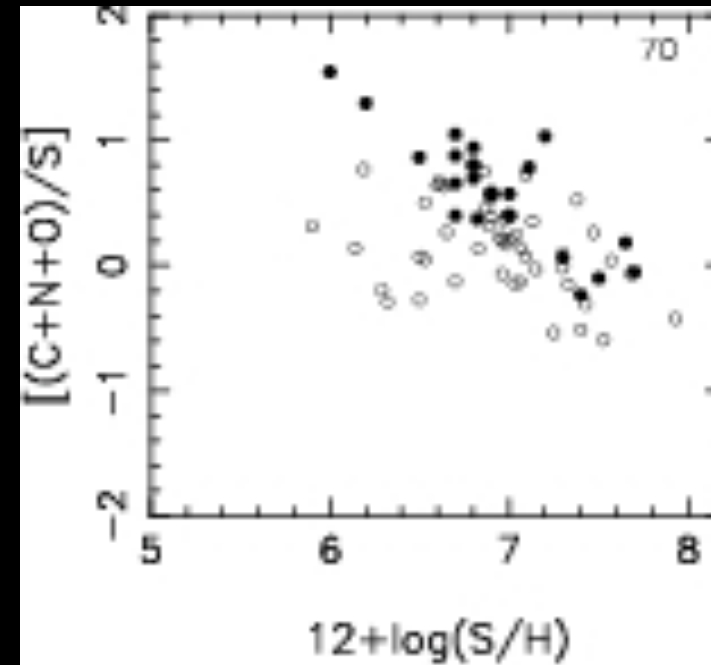
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more important at low-Z

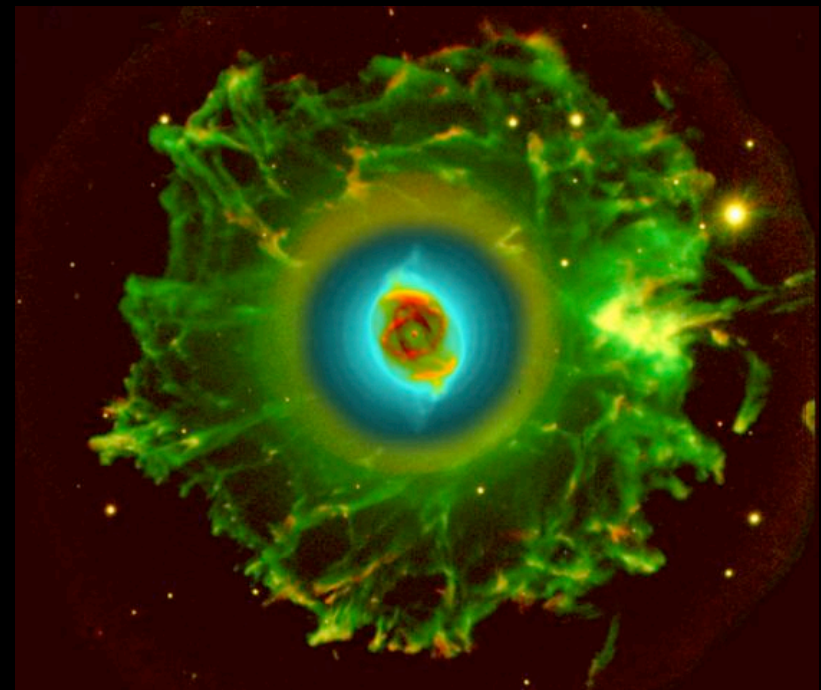
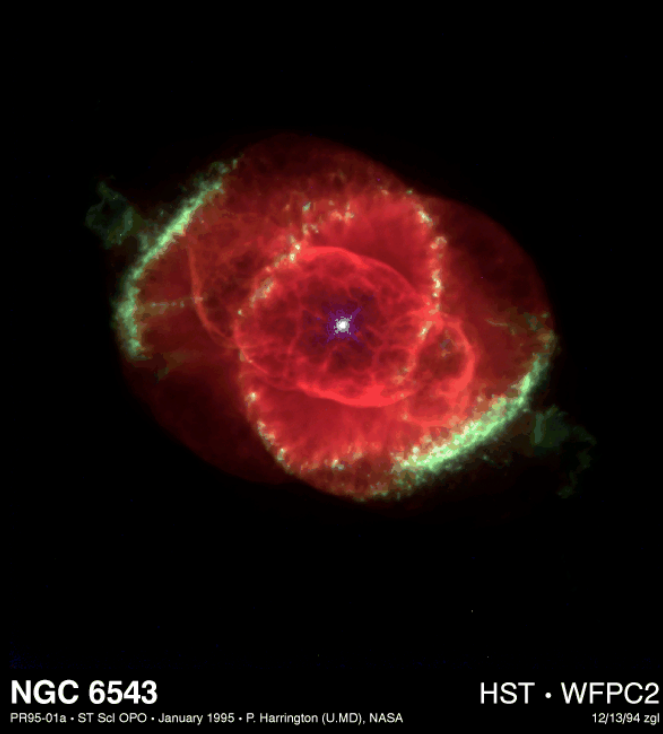


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- Nucleosynthesis in low- and intermediate-mass stars :
Main trends are relatively well understood
- The impact of the input physics :
Mass loss, convection, HBB, 3DUP, rotation
The yields are highly uncertain
Predictive power of the current theoretical models?
A lots of work remains to be done
- Crucial constraints from PNe and post-AGBs
High potential, very encouraging

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The story goes on ...