

# • Magnetisation of the Universe - the case of the irregular galaxy **NGC4449**

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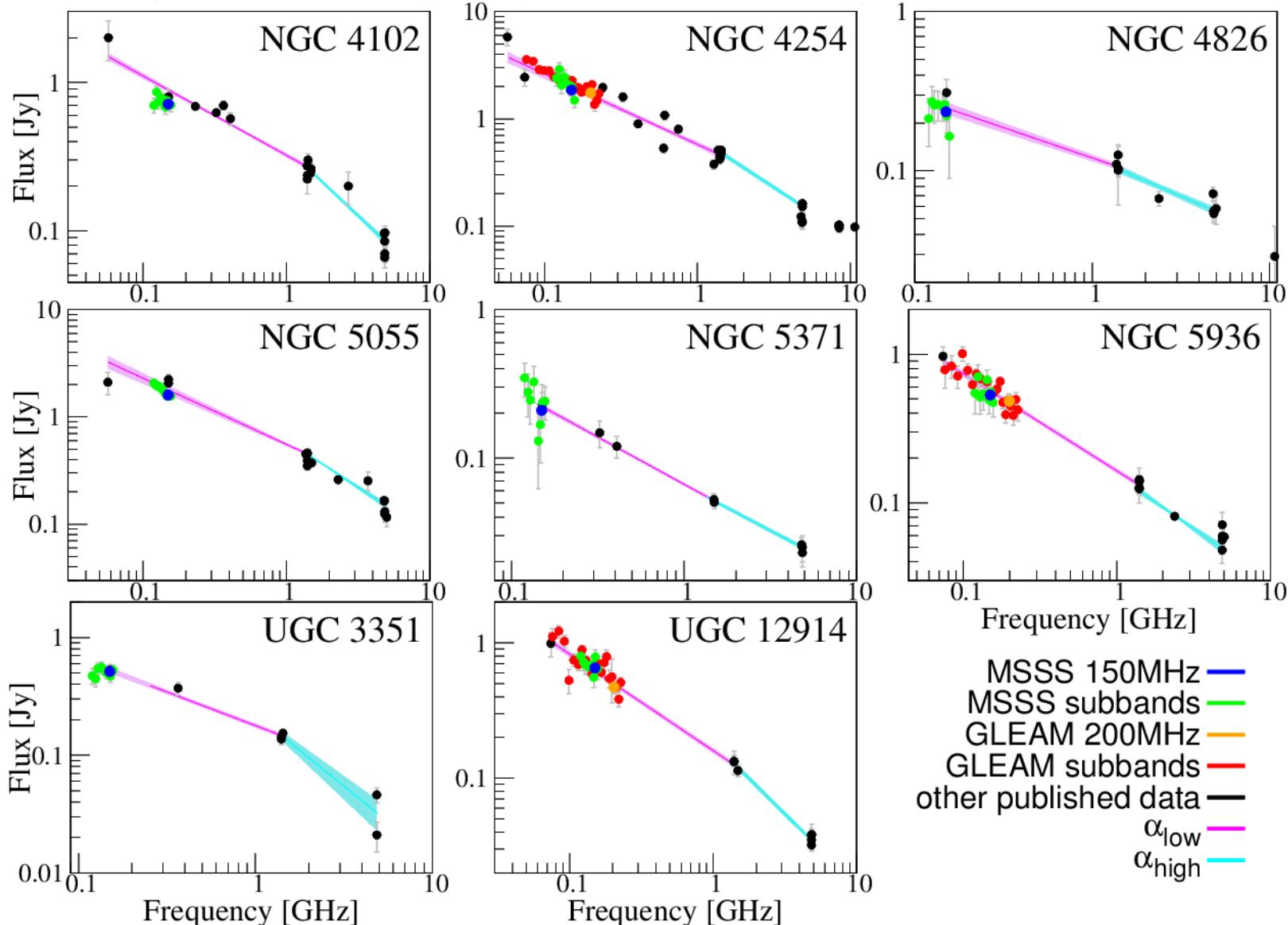
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# Outline

- Spectra of local galaxies
- Unusual case of a nearby starbursting irregular galaxy NGC4449
- Probing distant galaxies in GOODS-N field (250 observing hours with LOFAR HBA, Cosmic Magnetism KSP)

# Spectra of local galaxies



LOFAR MSSS: Flattening low-frequency radio continuum spectra of nearby galaxies, Chyží et al. 2018, AA, 619, A36

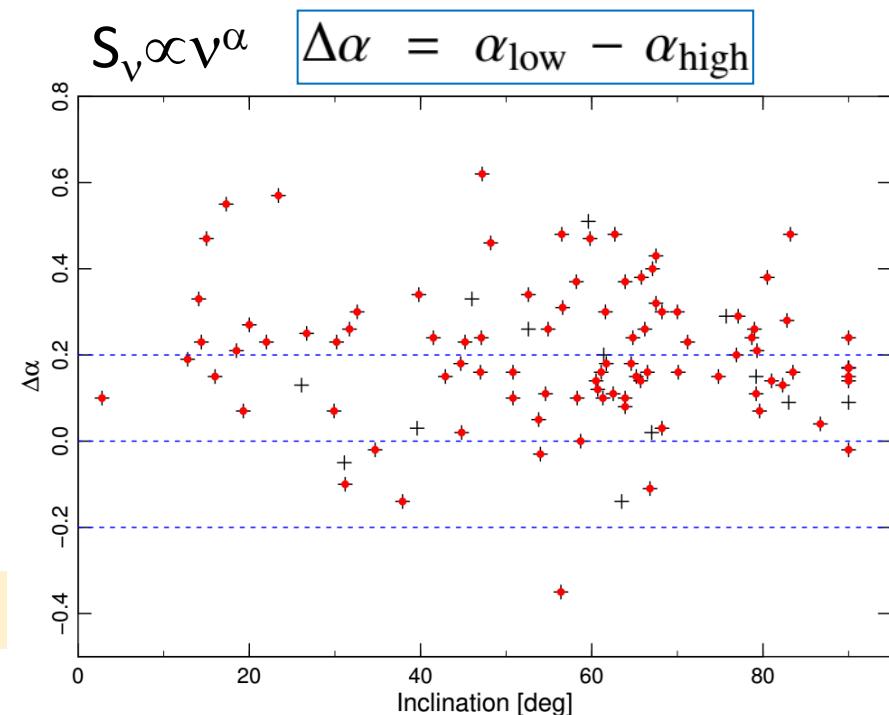
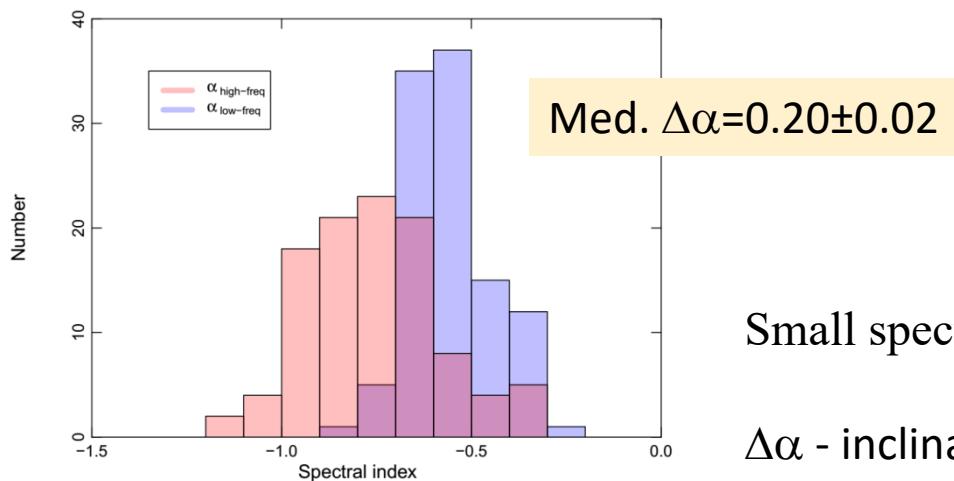
# Studies of absorption effects

LOFAR MSSS (Heald et al. 2015)

106 galaxies suitable for analysis  
from Yun, Reddy, Condon (2001)

$\alpha_{\text{low}}$ : 50-1400 MHz

$\alpha_{\text{high}}$ : 1400-5000 MHz (avoid th. em.)



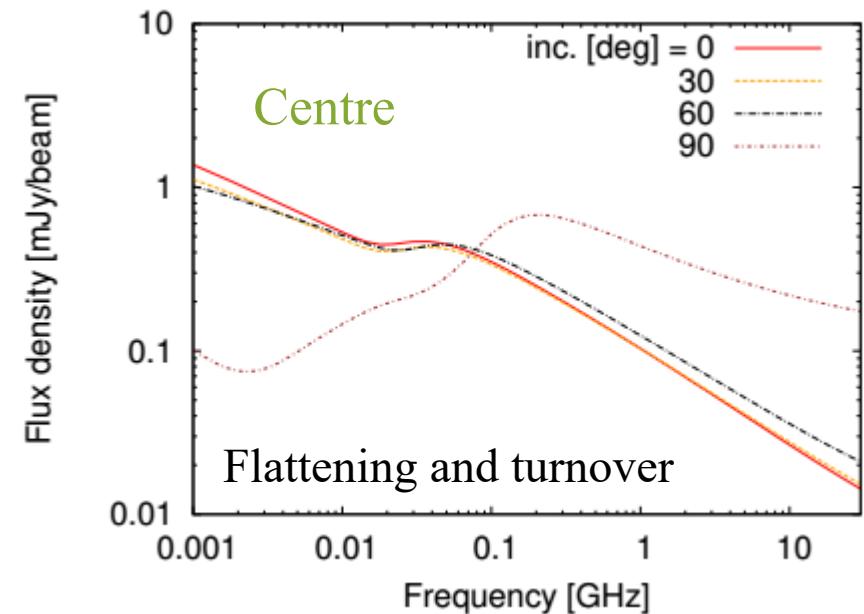
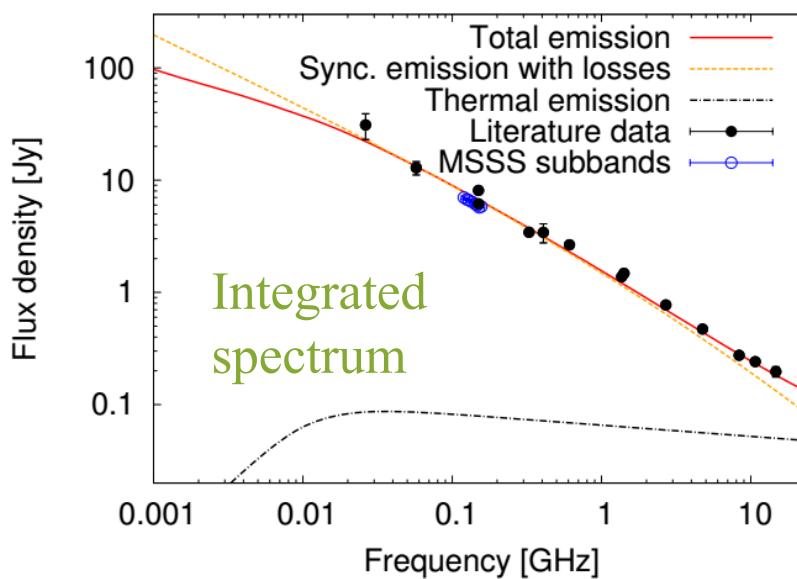
Small spectral flattening at low frequencies

$\Delta\alpha$  - inclination plot contradicts the previous claim:

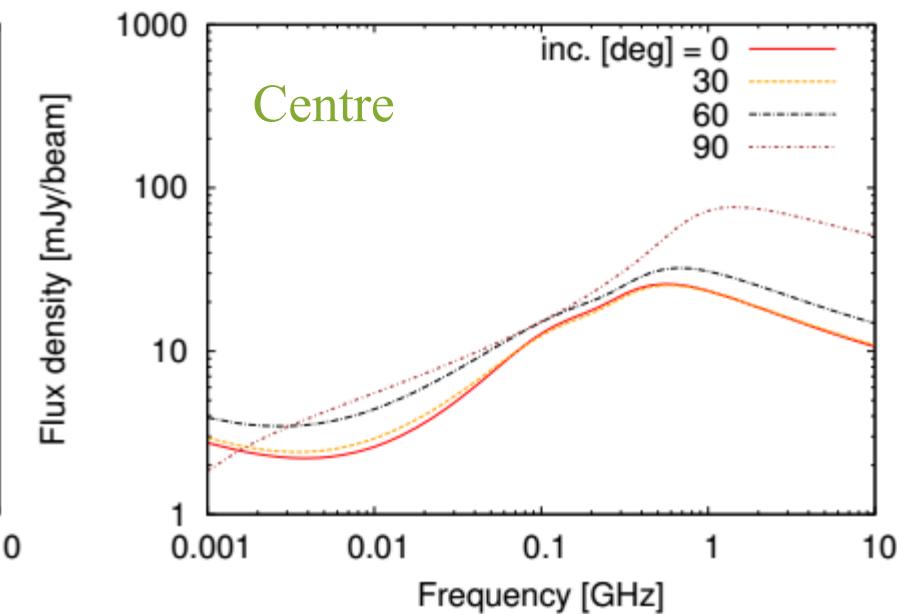
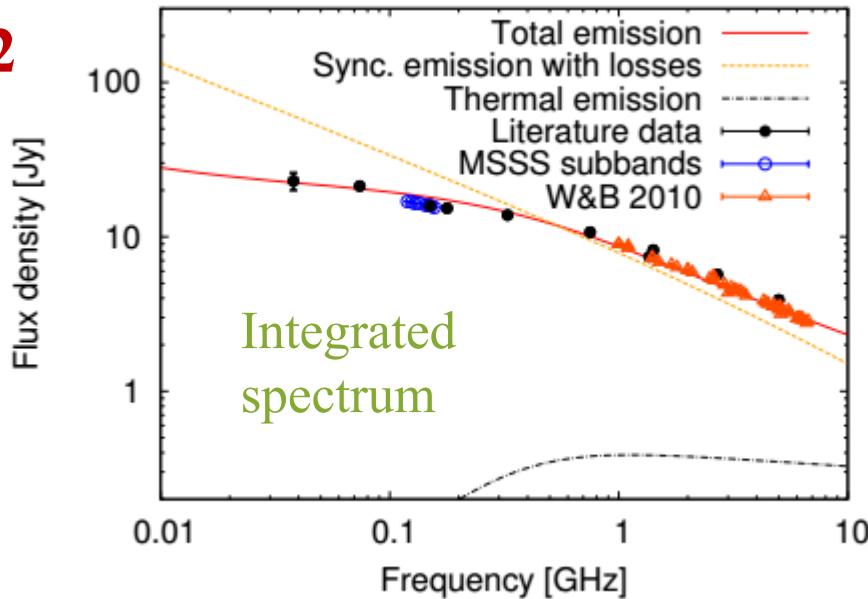
F. Israel and M. Mahoney 1990: increasing free-free absorption  
of synchrotron emission with increasing galaxy tilt (57 MHz)

# M51 and M82 3D modelled global and local spectra

M51



M82



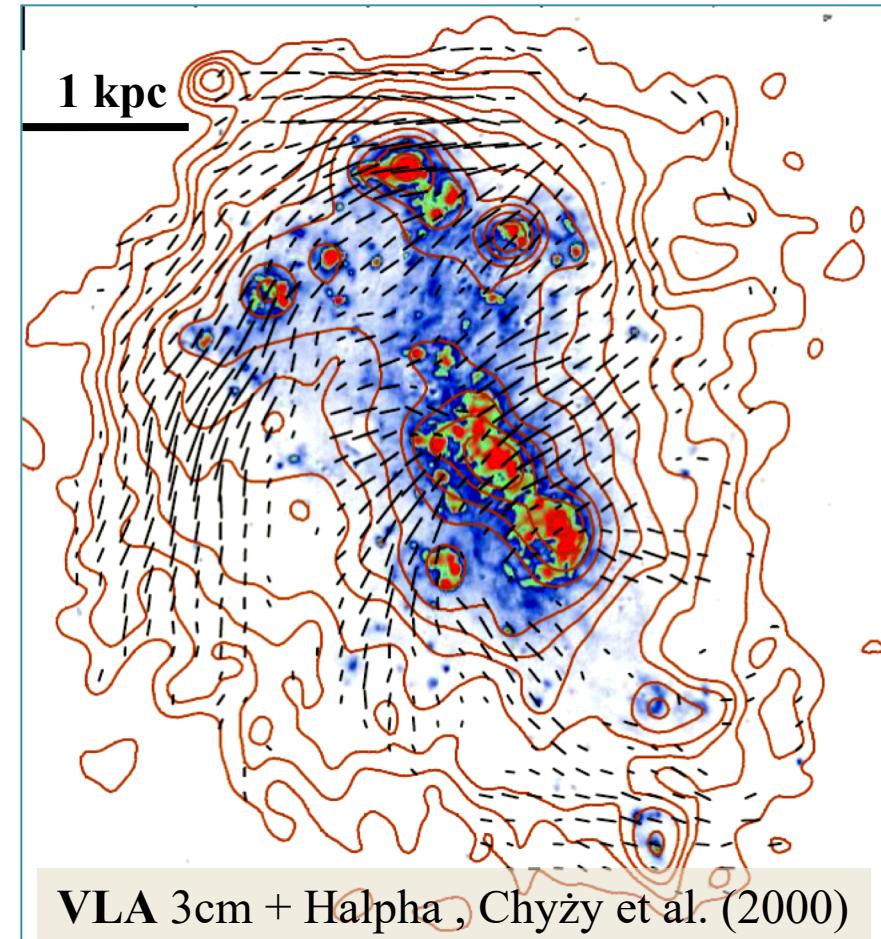
# Case of the starbursting irregular NGC4449

Magnetisation of IGM with outflows from primordial **low-mass** galaxies (Kronberg et al. 1999, Bertone 2006):

- large number of galaxies
- shallow gravitational potential

**NGC4449 - nearby irregular 5x smaller, 8x less massive than the MW**

A search of a **LARGE** synchrotron envelope due to galactic wind

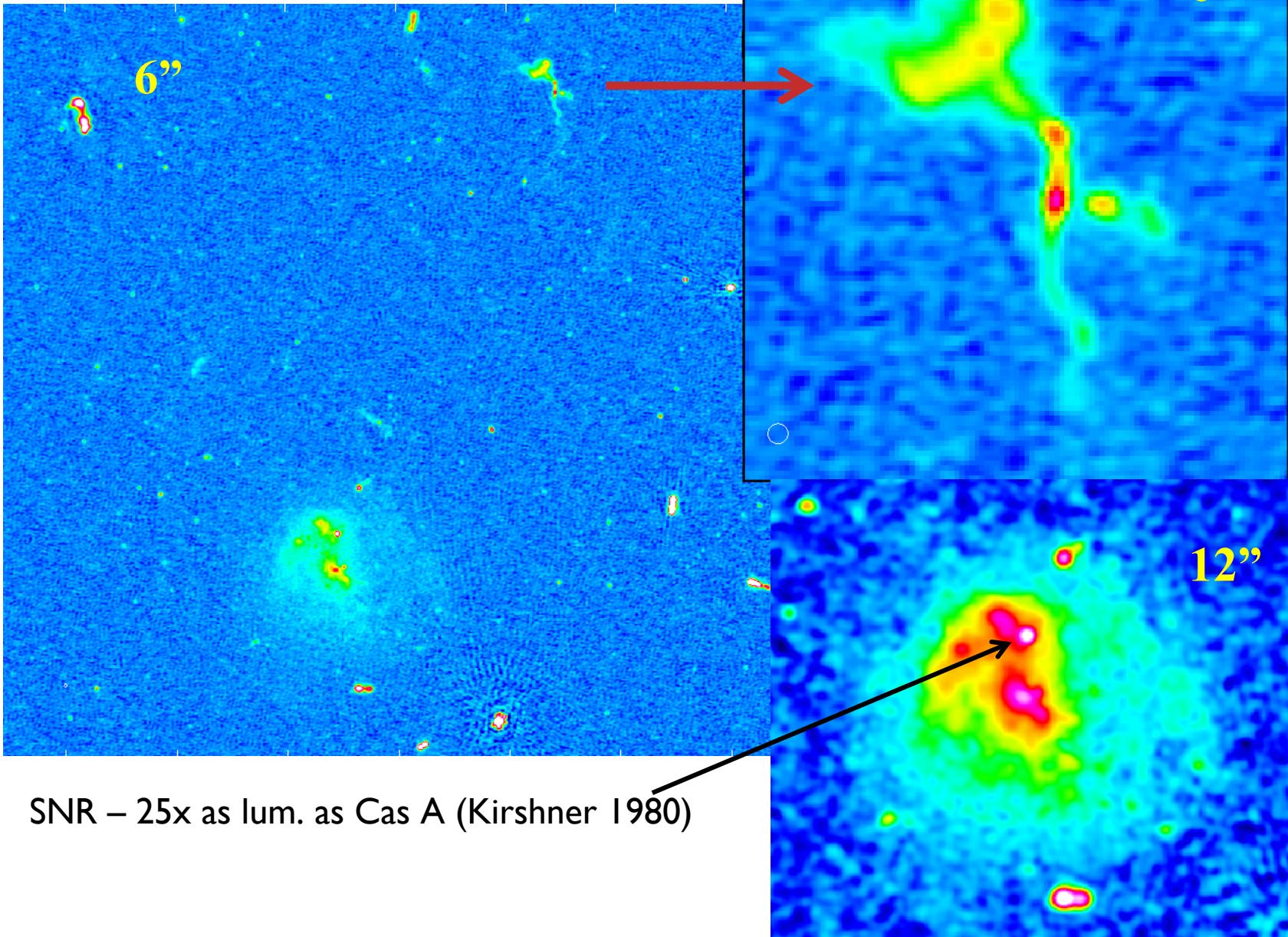


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# LOFAR HBA observations of NGC4449

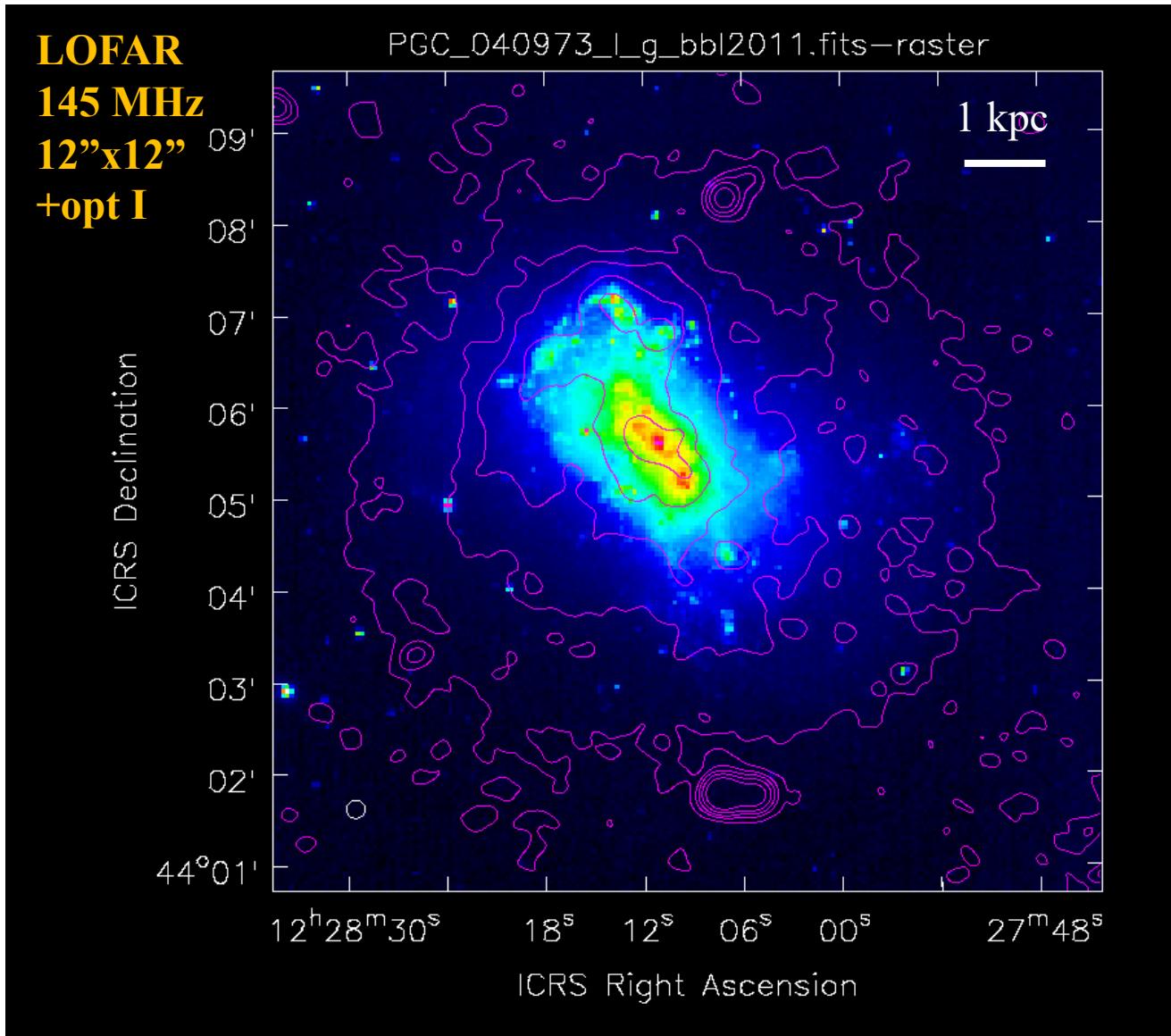
LoTSS DR2 image (thanks to Tim & Cyril et al.)



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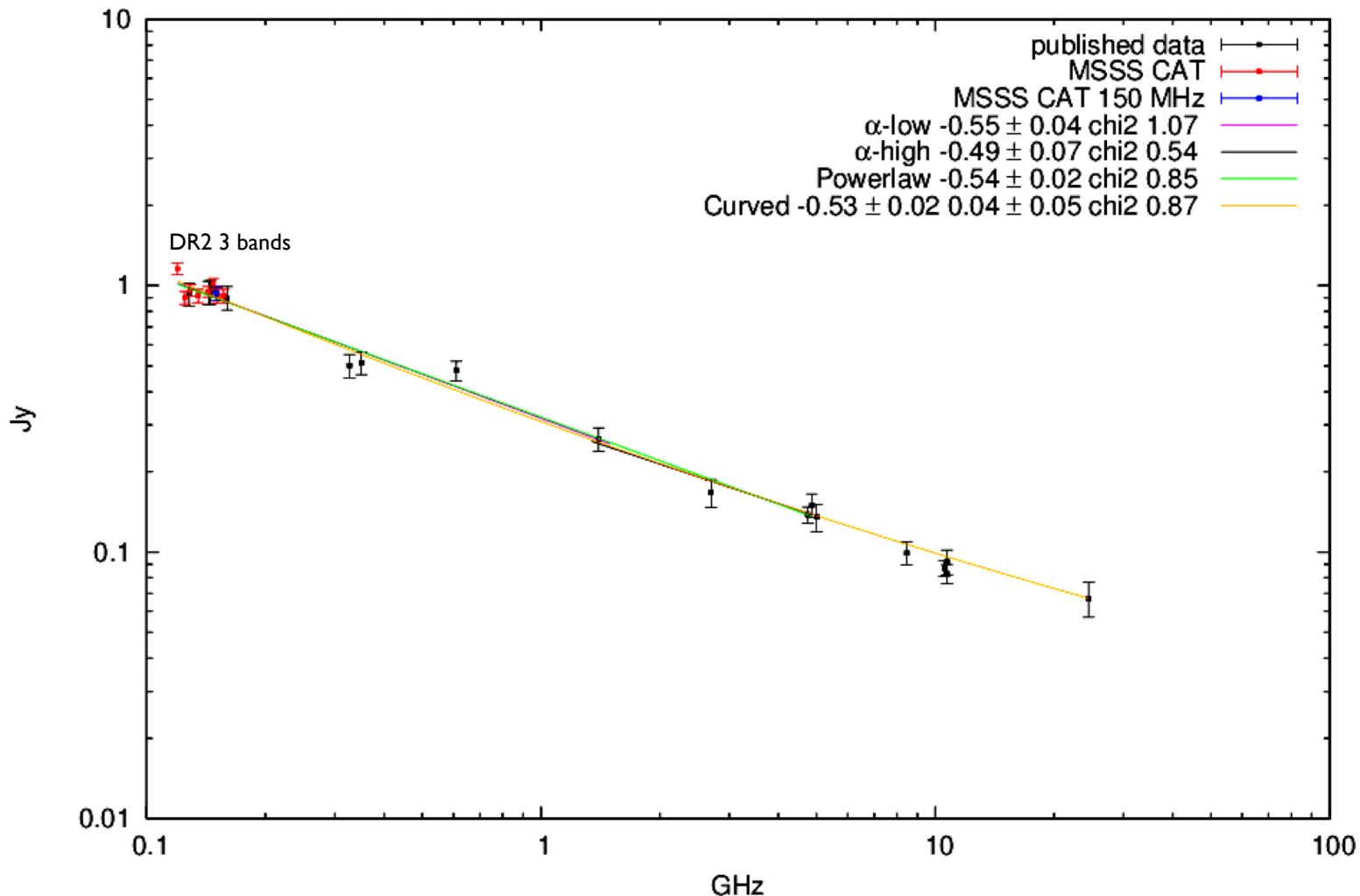
# Synchrotron envelope of NGC4449

LOFAR  
145 MHz  
12''x12''  
+opt I



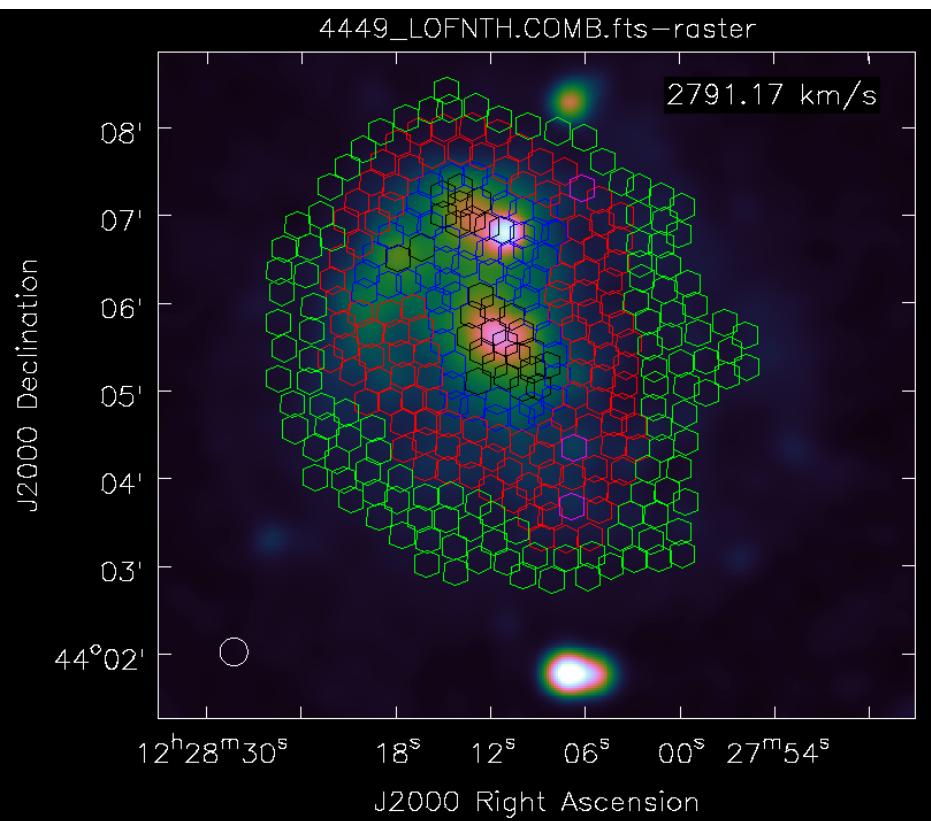
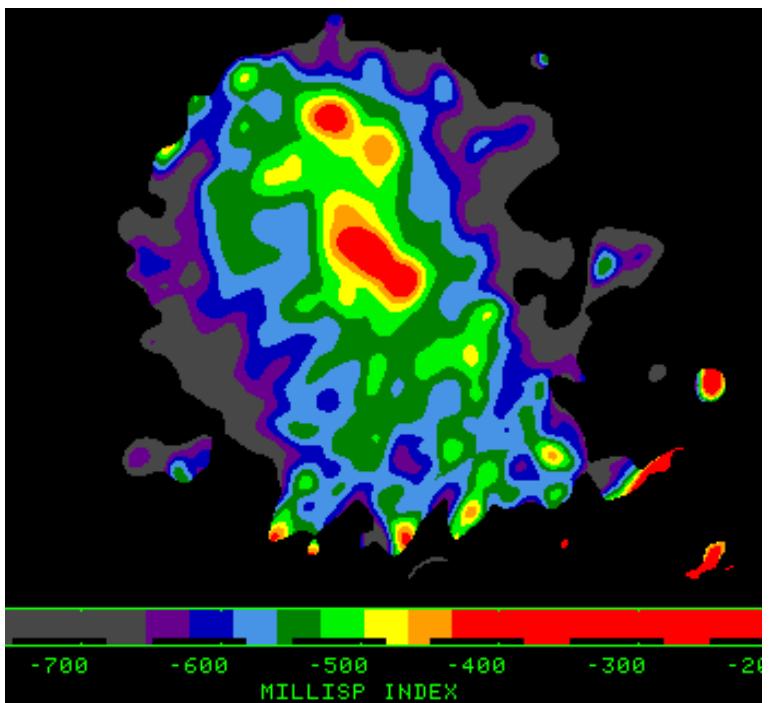
- Symmetric envelope of irregular galaxy!

# Global spectrum of NGC4449

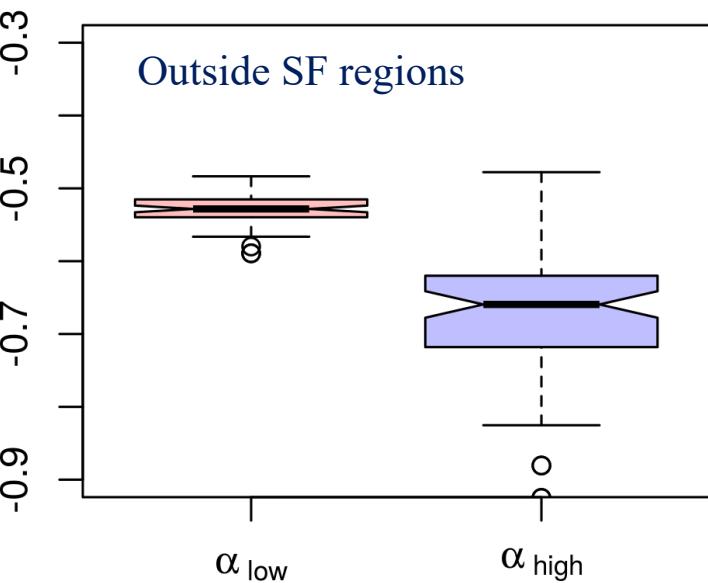
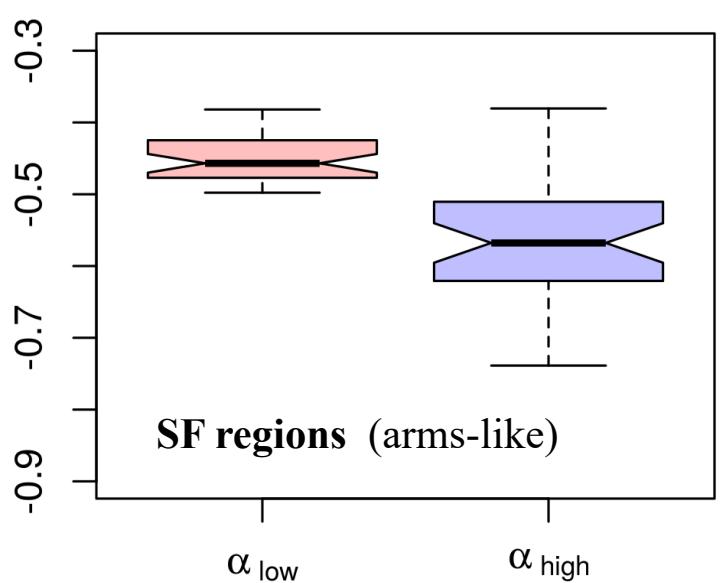


- LOFAR DR2 and MSSS fluxes are the same within errors
- Straight and flat total spectrum (**-0.55**) – from a large population of SNRs

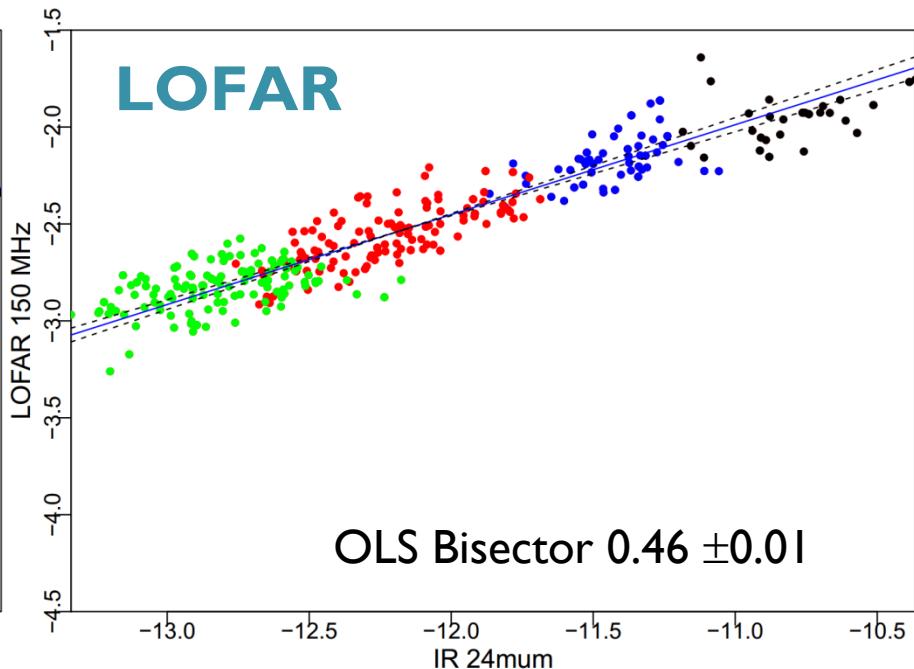
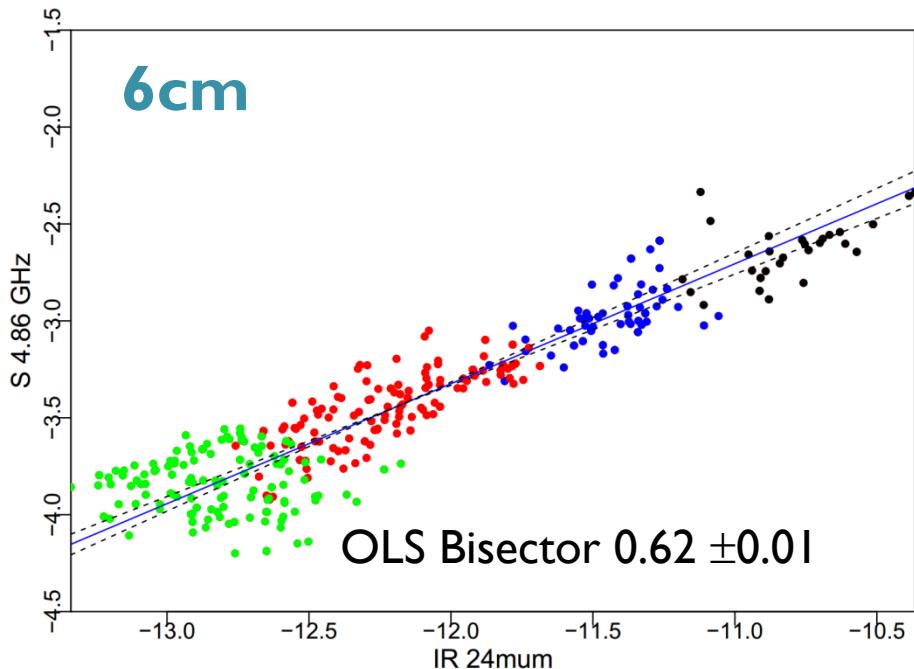
# N<sub>th</sub> $\alpha_{\text{low}}$ map 145-4860 MHz



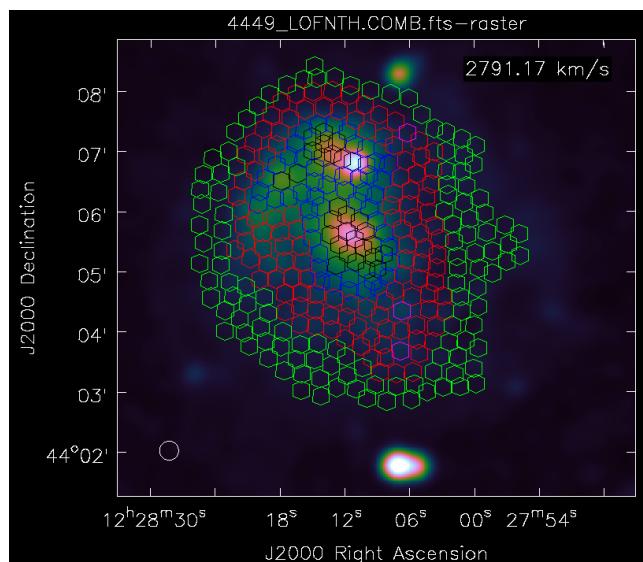
$\alpha_{\text{low}}$   
 150-4860 MHz  
 $\alpha_{\text{high}}$   
 4860-8460 MHz  
 - flattening at lower freq.  
 - absorption or CR energy losses?



# Local radio–infrared relation within NGC4449

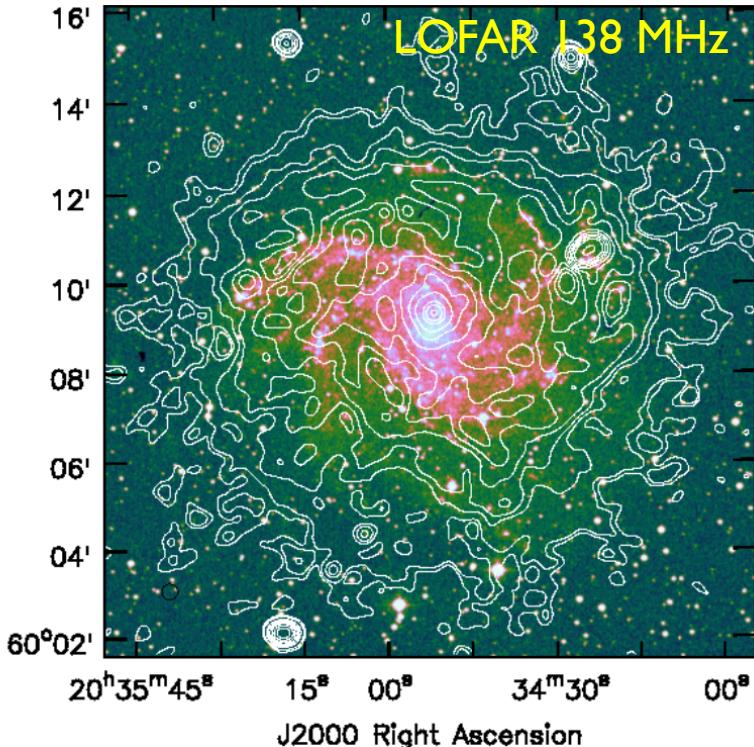


- Radio-Ir relation flatter for LOFAR
- Confirm transport of low energy CRe from SF regions (by wind/diffusion)
- But the shape is unexpected...

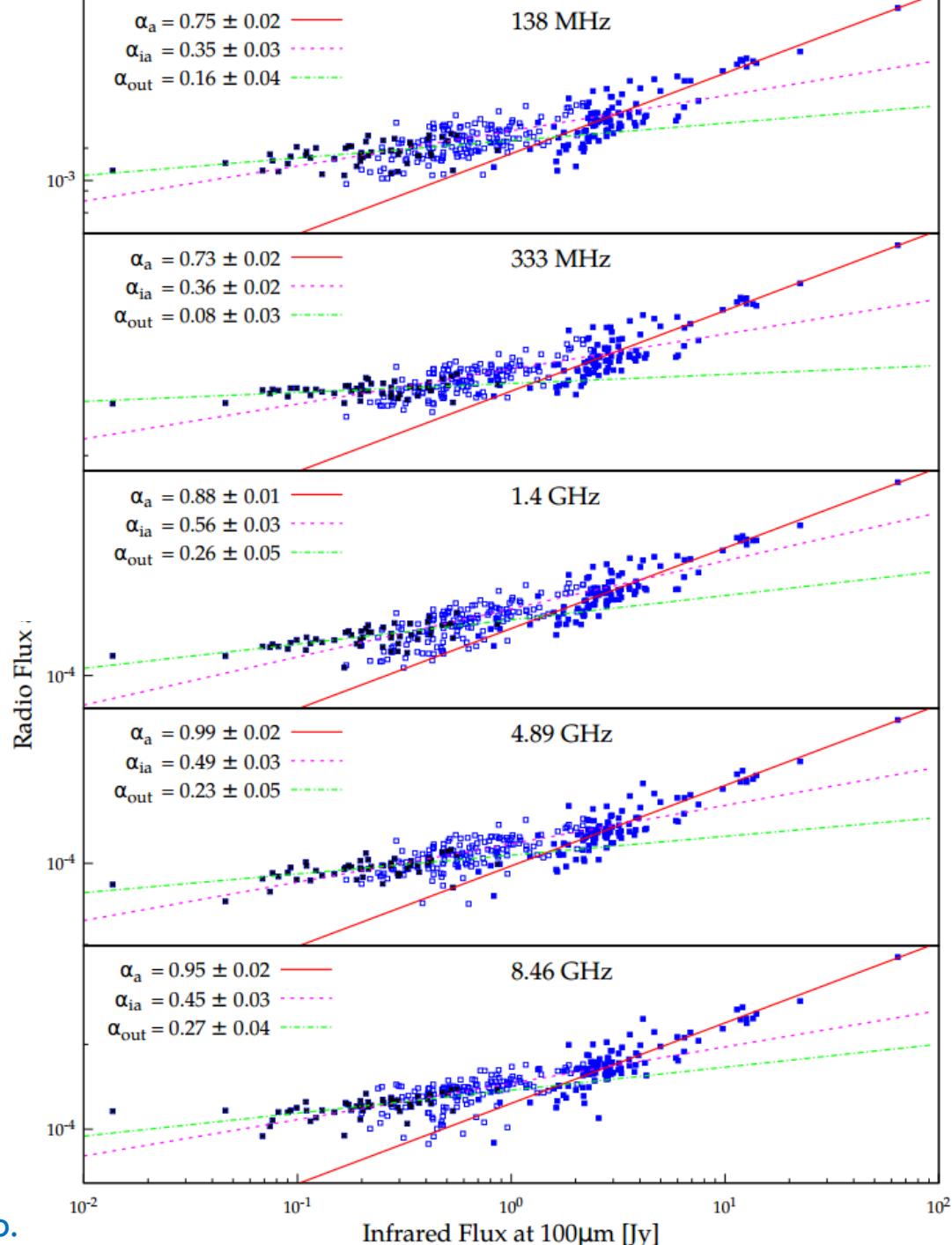


# Radio-fir: NGC6946

J2000 Decimation



- NGC6946: In arms relations are linear at high freq.
- Relations for inter-arm and outer regions are sublinear, like in all regions of NGC4449
- Strong winds makes a difference for NGC4449?



# GOODS-N

Great Observatories Origins Deep Survey

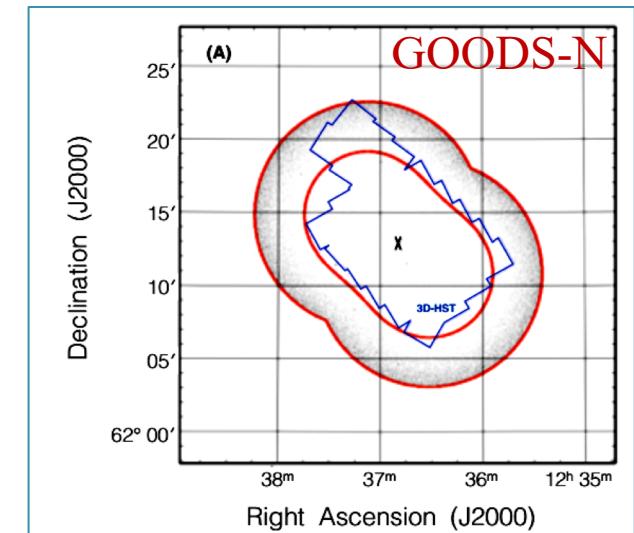
## Project:

- 250 observing hours with LOFAR HBA, MKSP to probe the  $\mu$ Jy polarized source population as a function of frequency
- Subproject – stokes I – **galaxy spectra, radio-FIR relation, B strength – compare with nearby galaxies**
- LC7012, LC9 033 120h observed (A. Scaife et al., current PI Valentina Vacca)
- Data reduction in Bochum (A. Miskolczi)
- Preliminary results from LoTSS DR2

Gim et al. (2019)

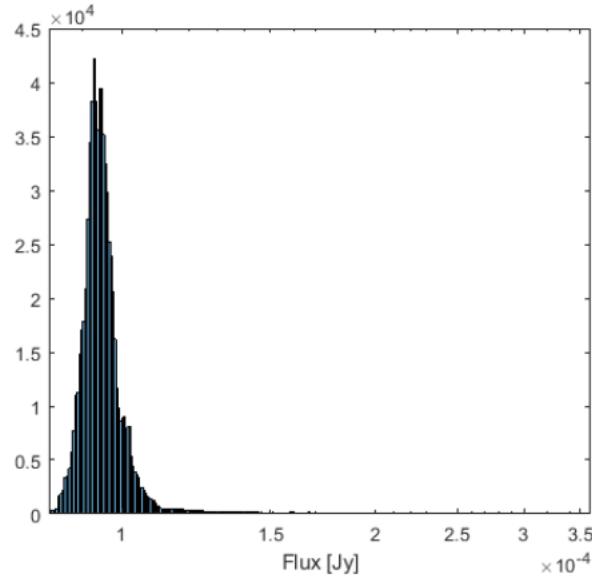
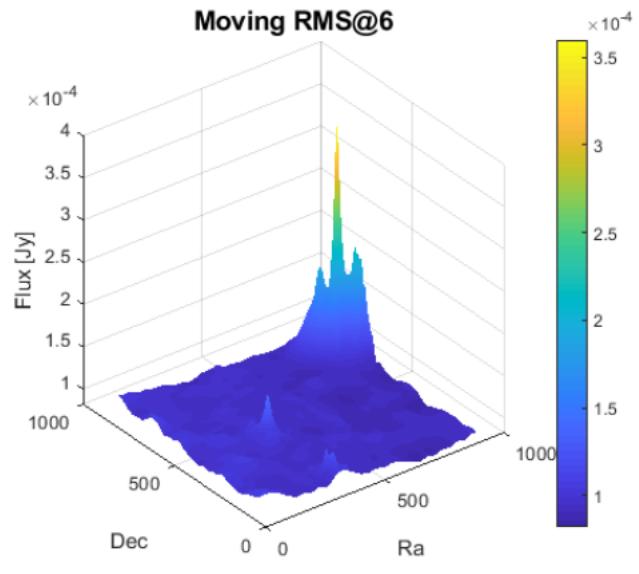
## Data:

- 1.5 GHz (Owen 2018)
- 5 GHz- Gim et al. (2019)
- 10 GHz (Murphy et al. 2017)
- 150 MHz – LOFAR (DR2 data)

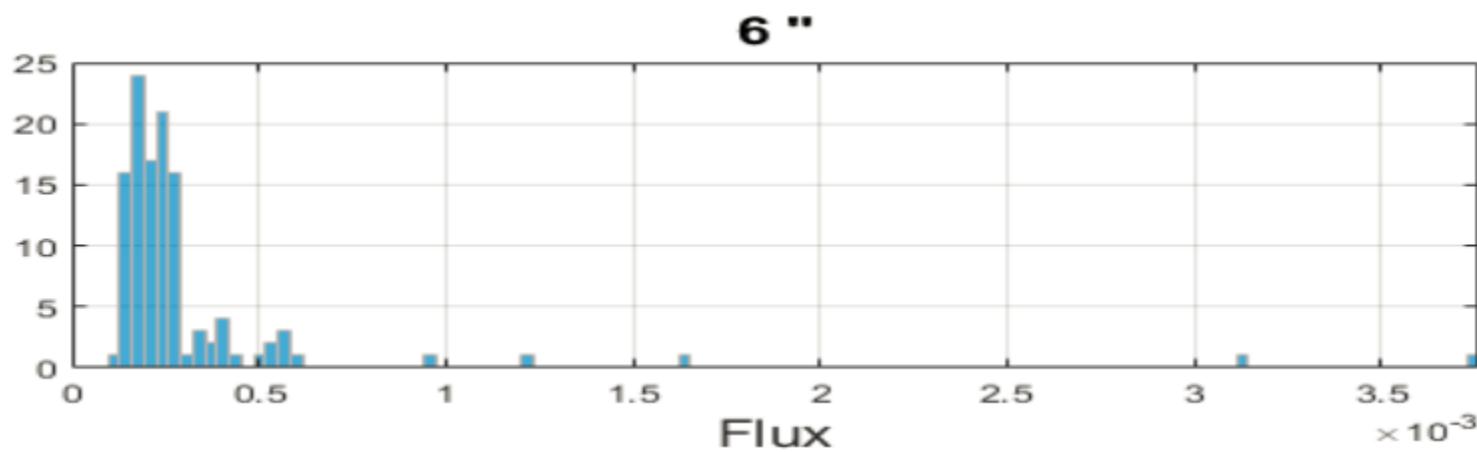


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MKSP (V.Vacca et al.) in prep.

# GOODS-N



rms

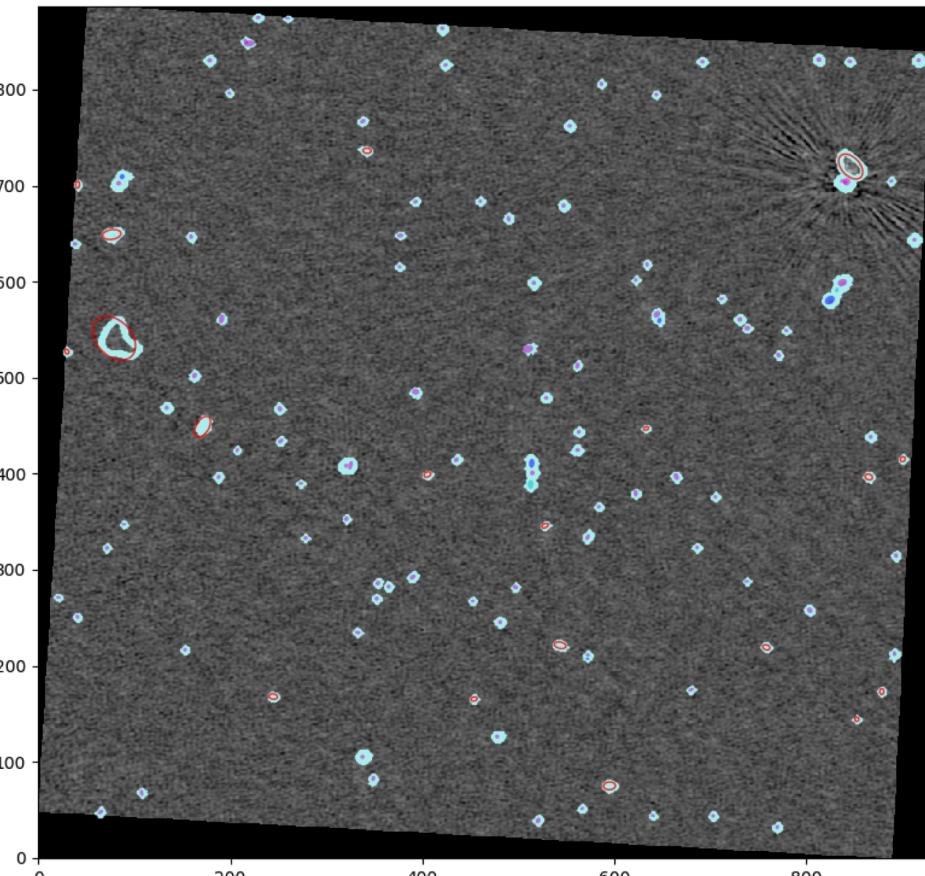


Sources  
>3 sigma rms

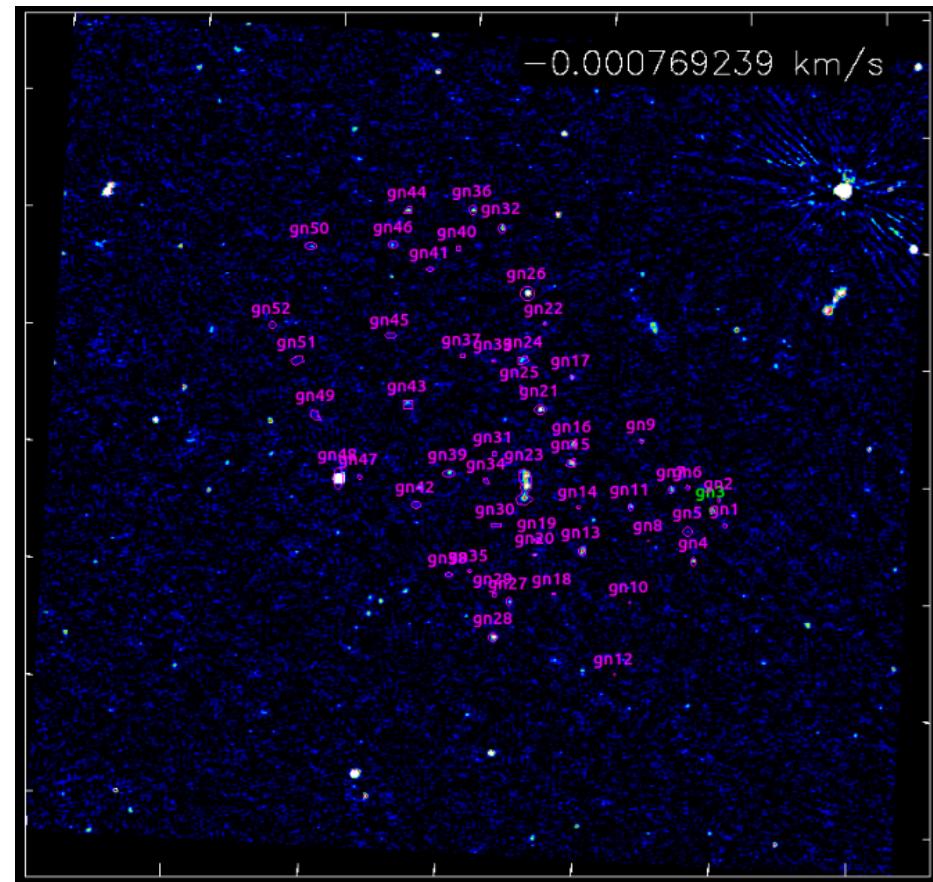
# GOODS-N flux measurements

PyBDSF

Islands (hatched boundaries) and  
Gaussians (red = wavelet)

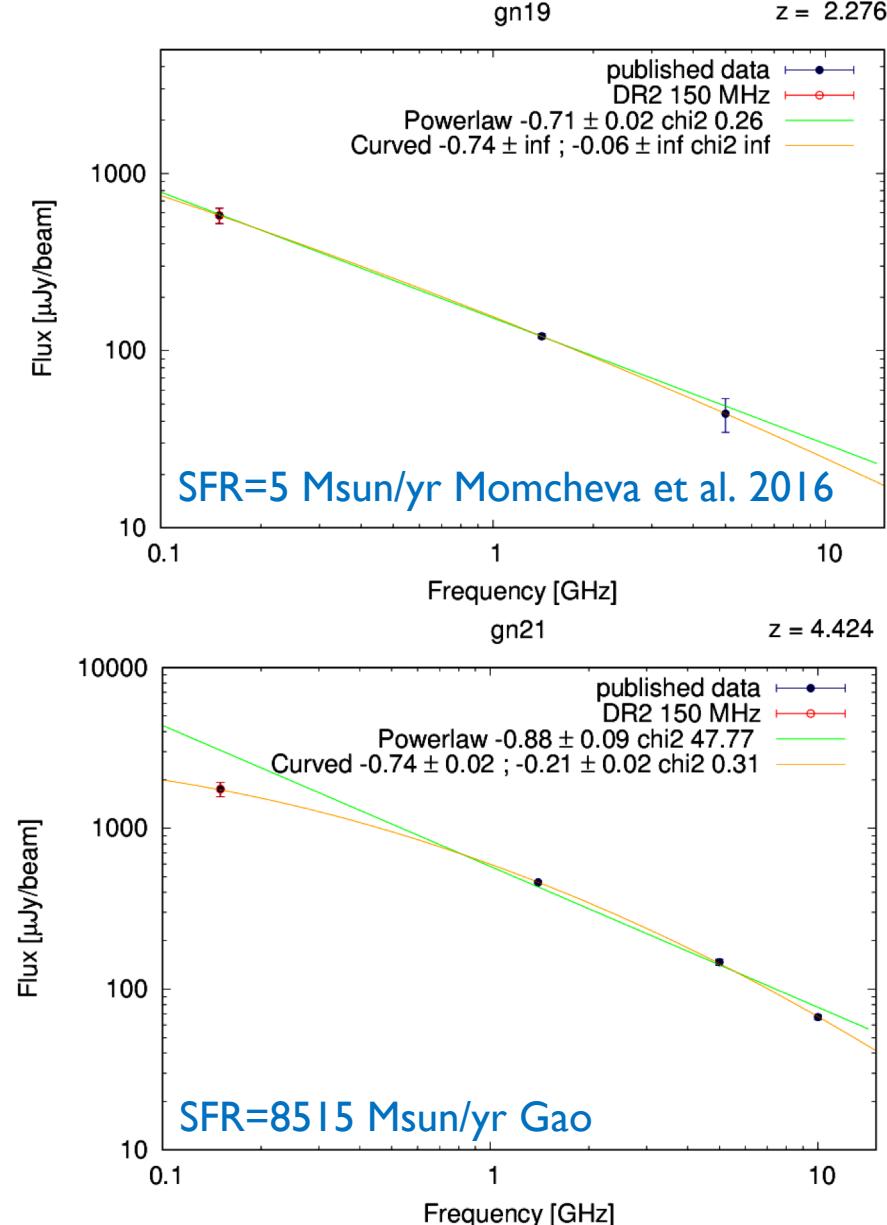
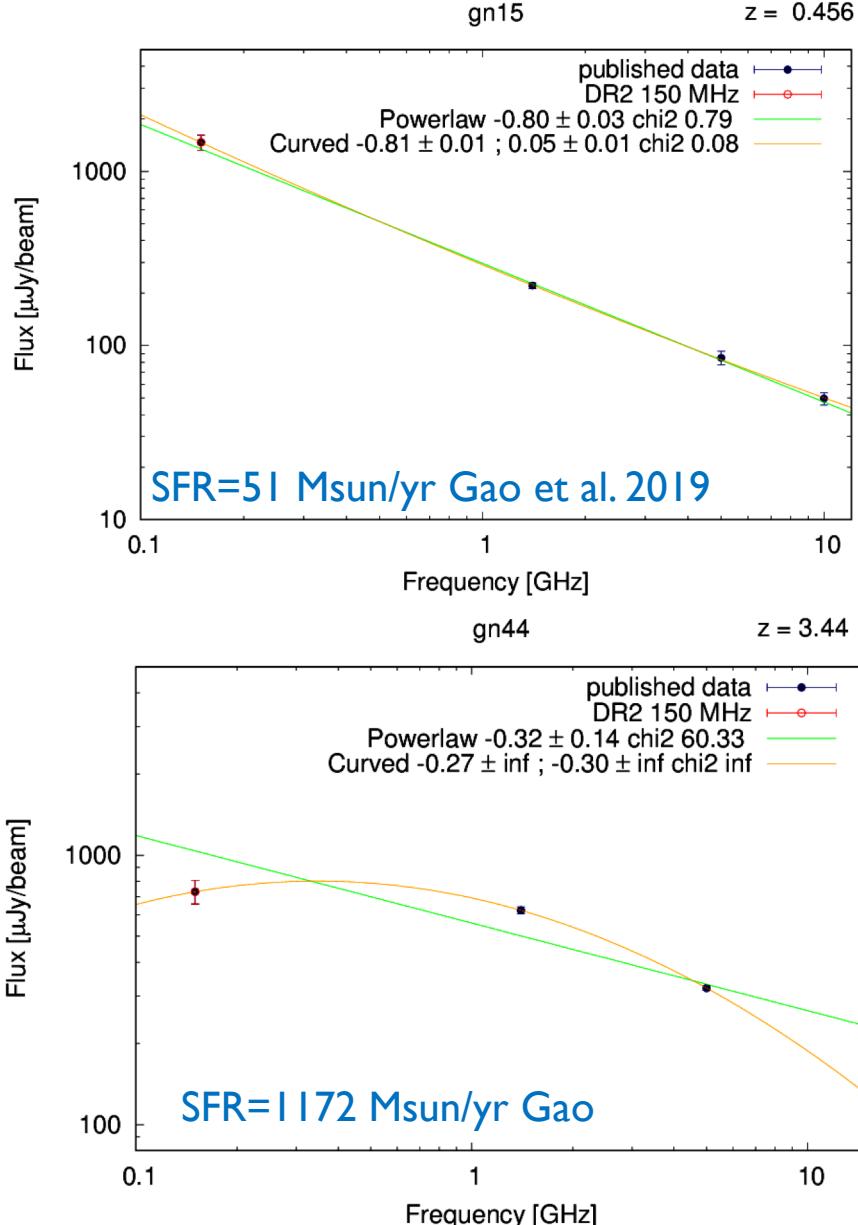


CASA regions  
Gim et al. 2019, 52 sources



Cross-matched and  
verified 23 sources

# GOODS-N spectra of distant SF-galaxies



Flattening - as predicted by our 3D model (if this is absorption)

# Summary

- We constructed a large MSSS sample of ~100 galaxies
- Weak spectral flattening at low freq., no relation with inclination (not strong f-f absorption)
- Stronger absorption effects predicted for high-SF (distant) galaxies
- NGC4449 reveals a synchrotron envelope – winds/diffusion
- Shows a relatively flat integrated spectrum of a starburst NGC4449 – from a population of young SNRs
- Unusual sublinear radio-fir relation for regions within NGC4449
- GOODS-N high-z galaxies show curved spectra