

First Successful Simultaneous Imaging/ Beam Formed Observations

LSM on April 28, 2010

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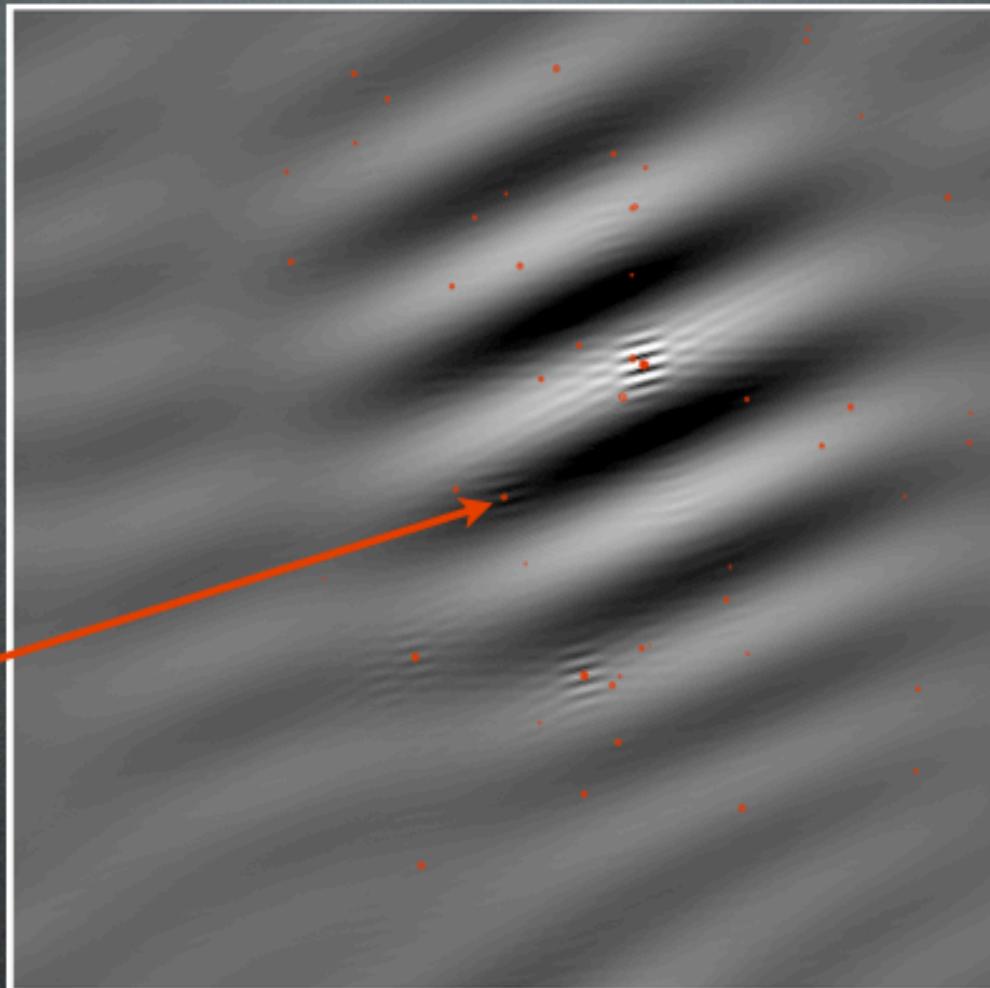
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2-hr Simultaneous Data L2010_06708

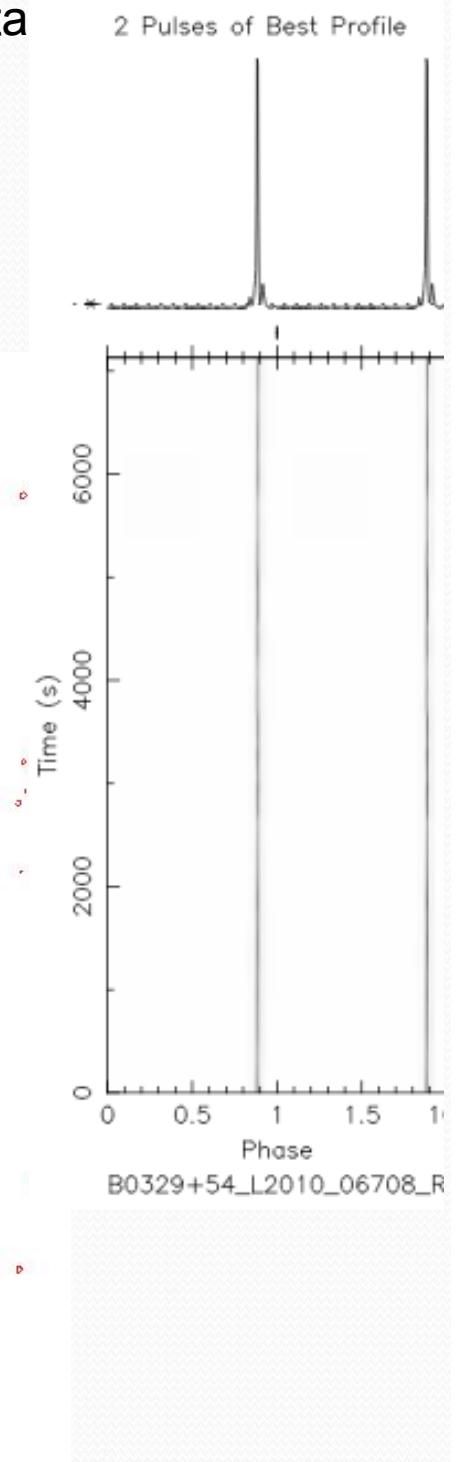
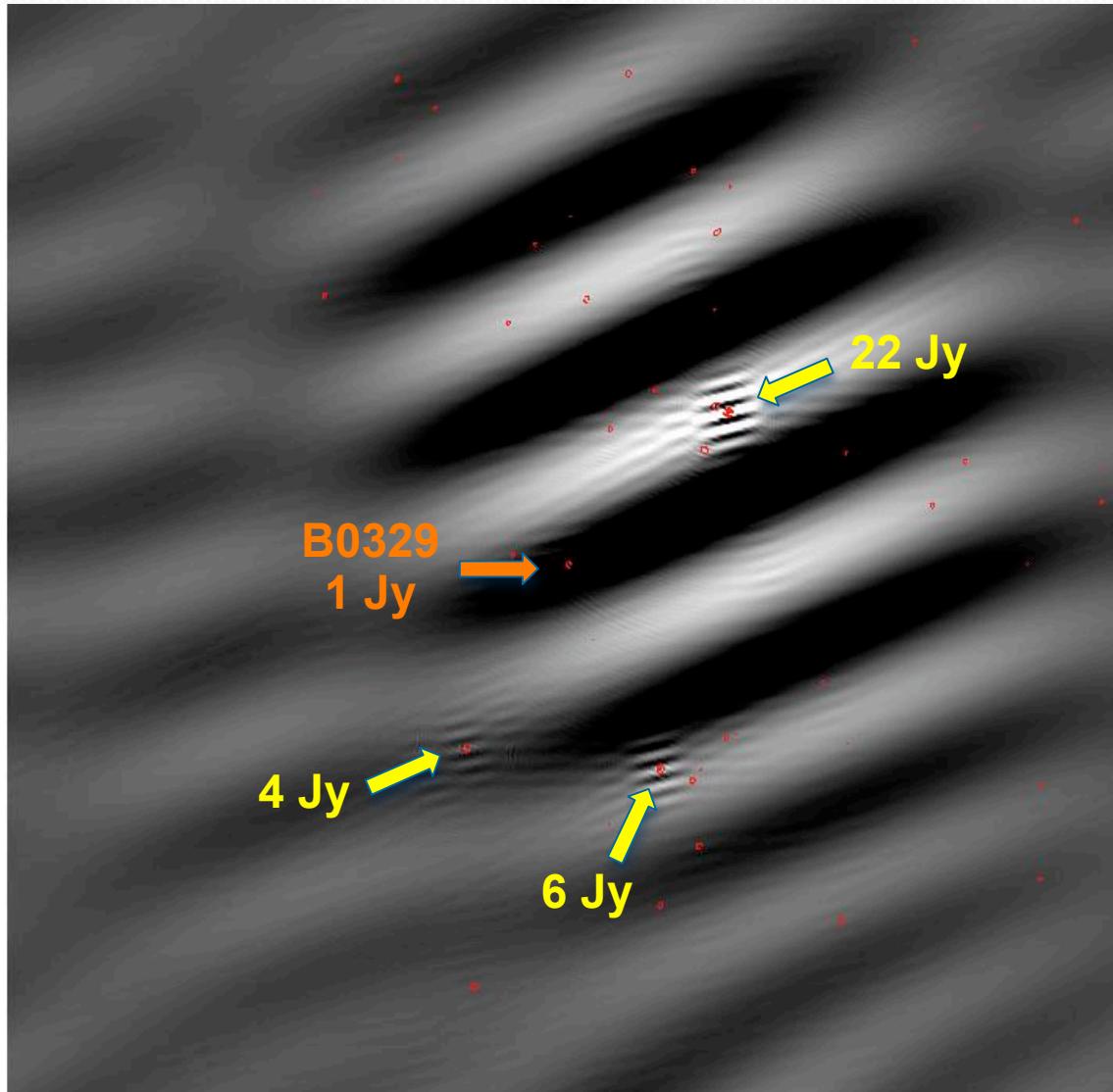
PSR B0329+54
1Jy



Full 5x5deg FoV with WENSS contours
Different imaging regime... no bright source

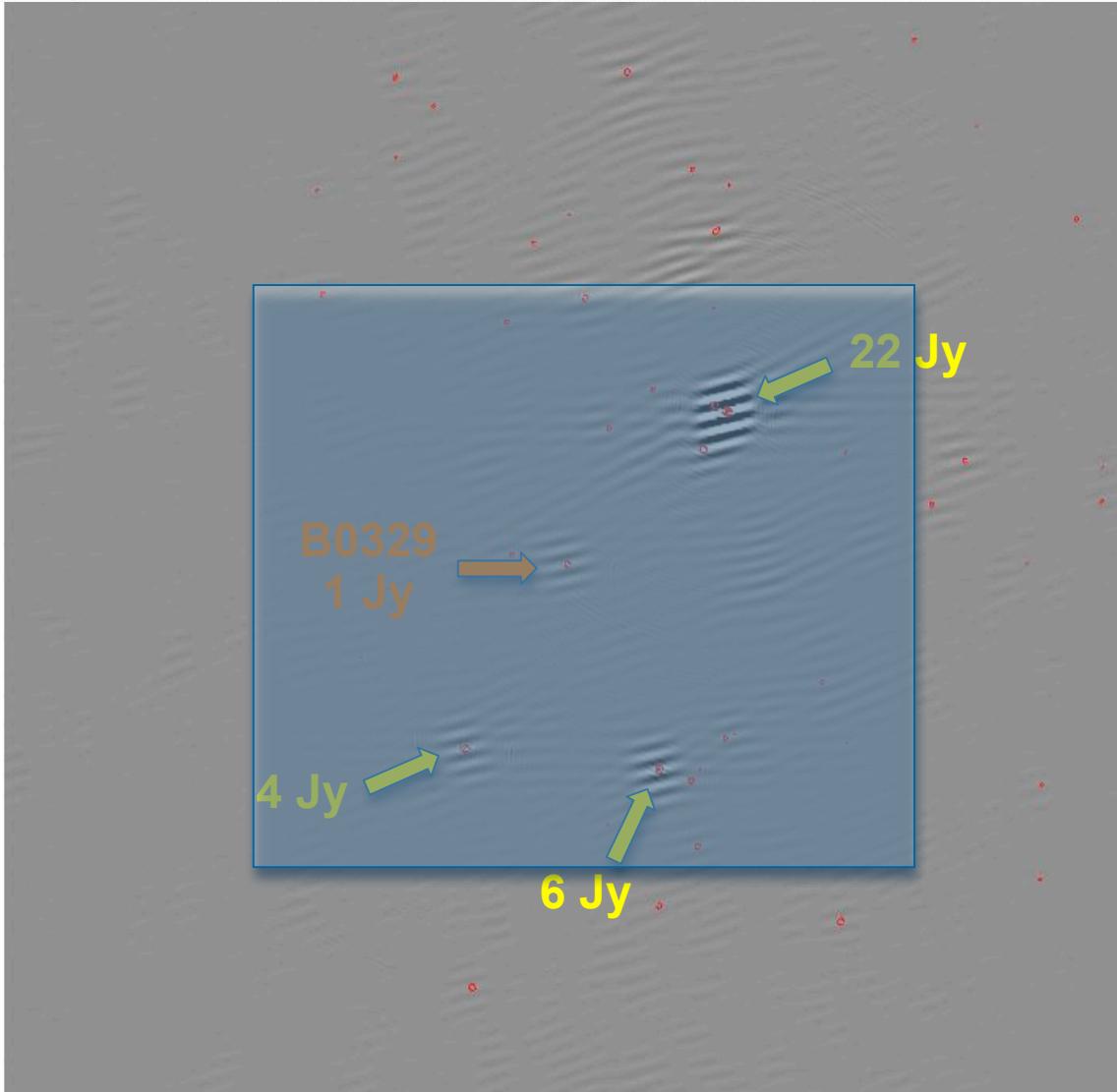
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- 2 core + 4 remote Stations
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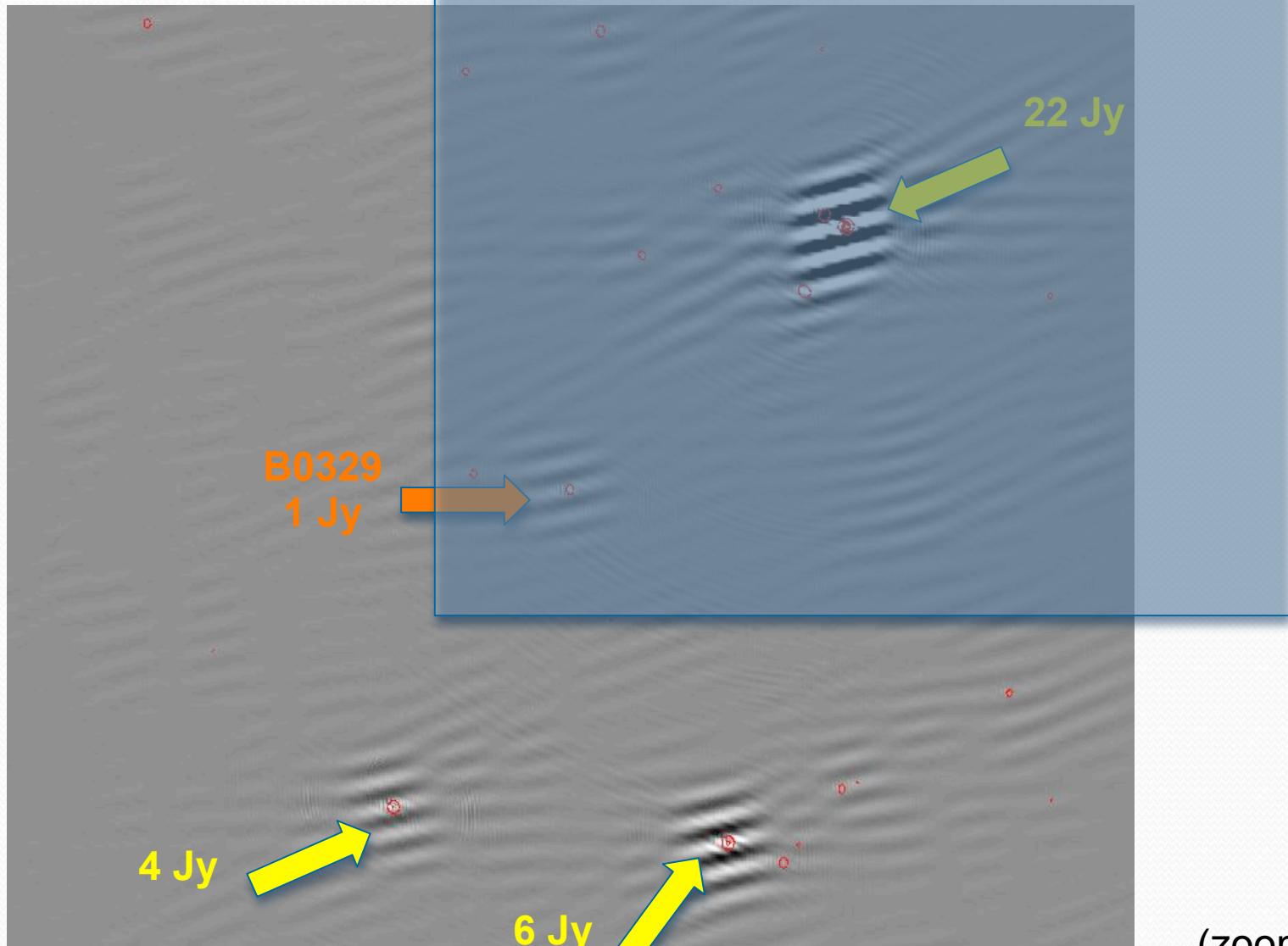
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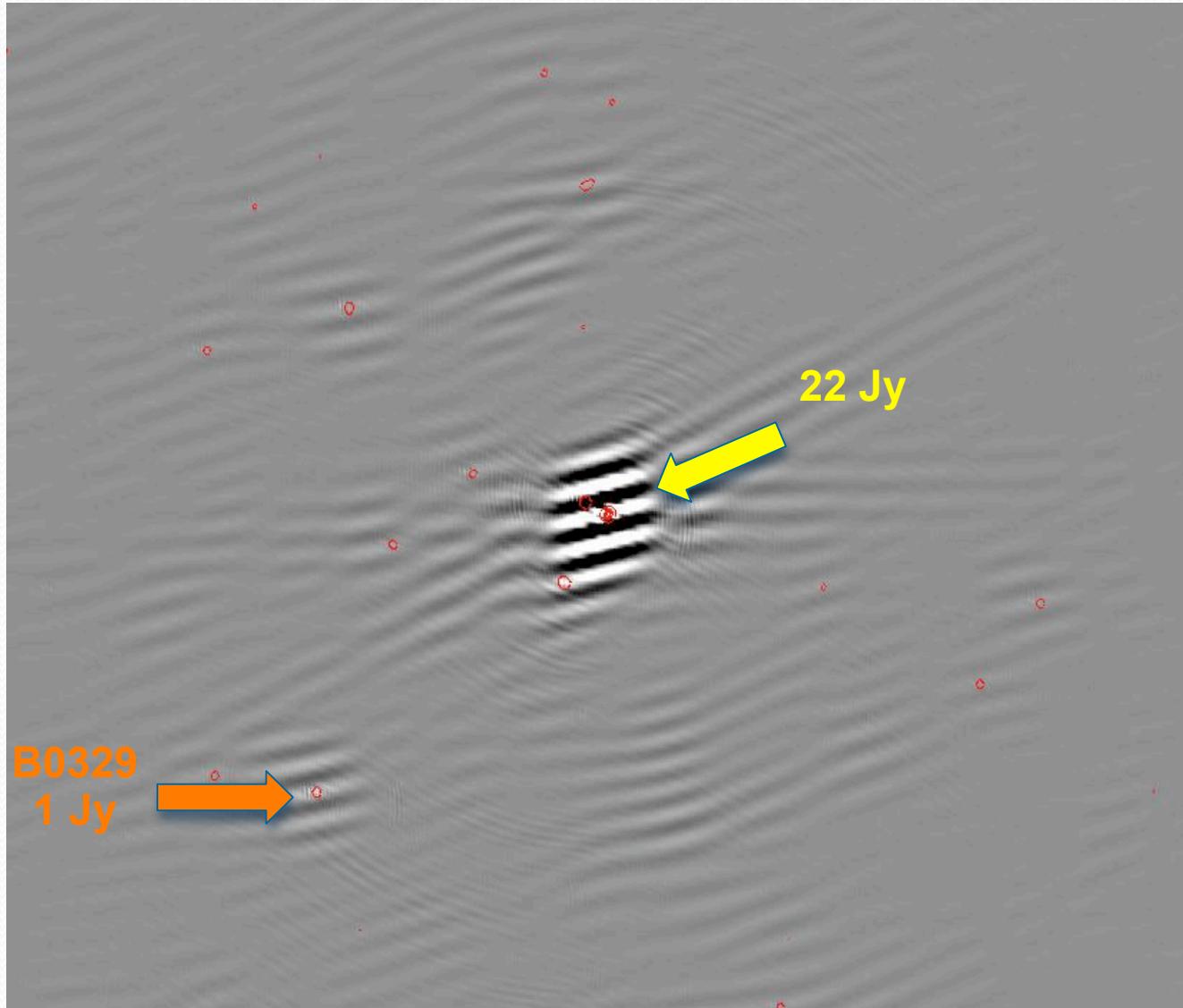
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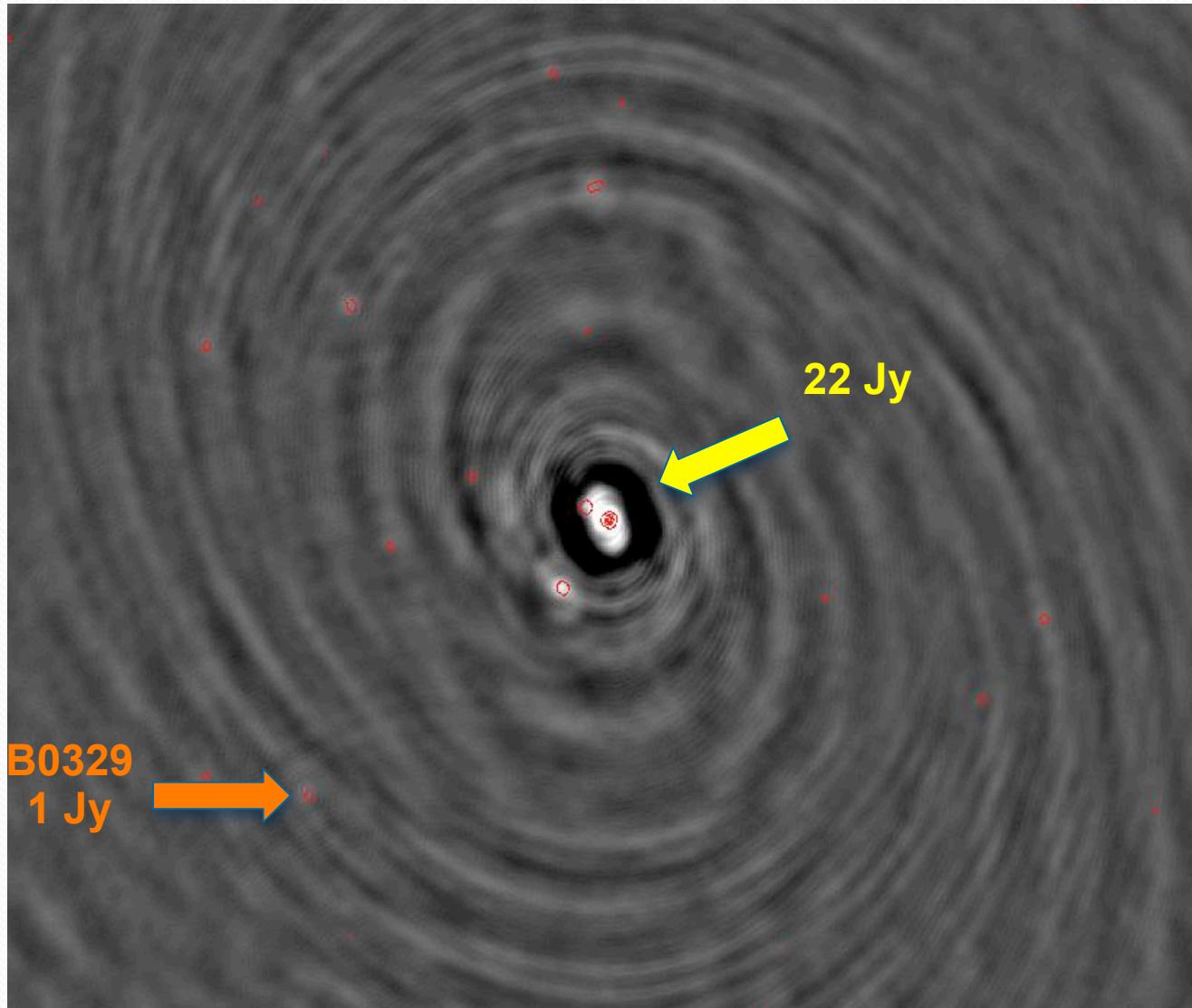
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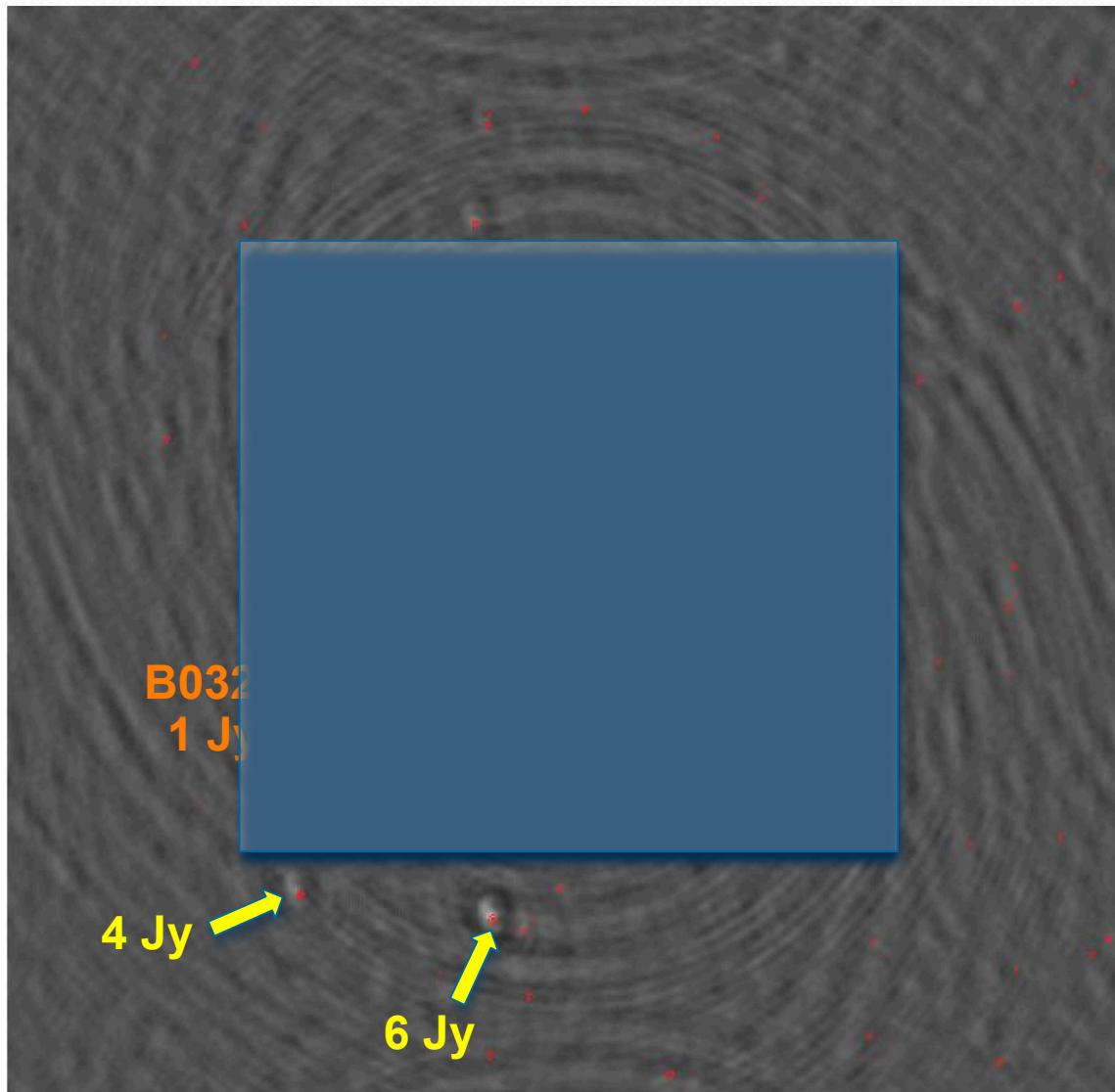
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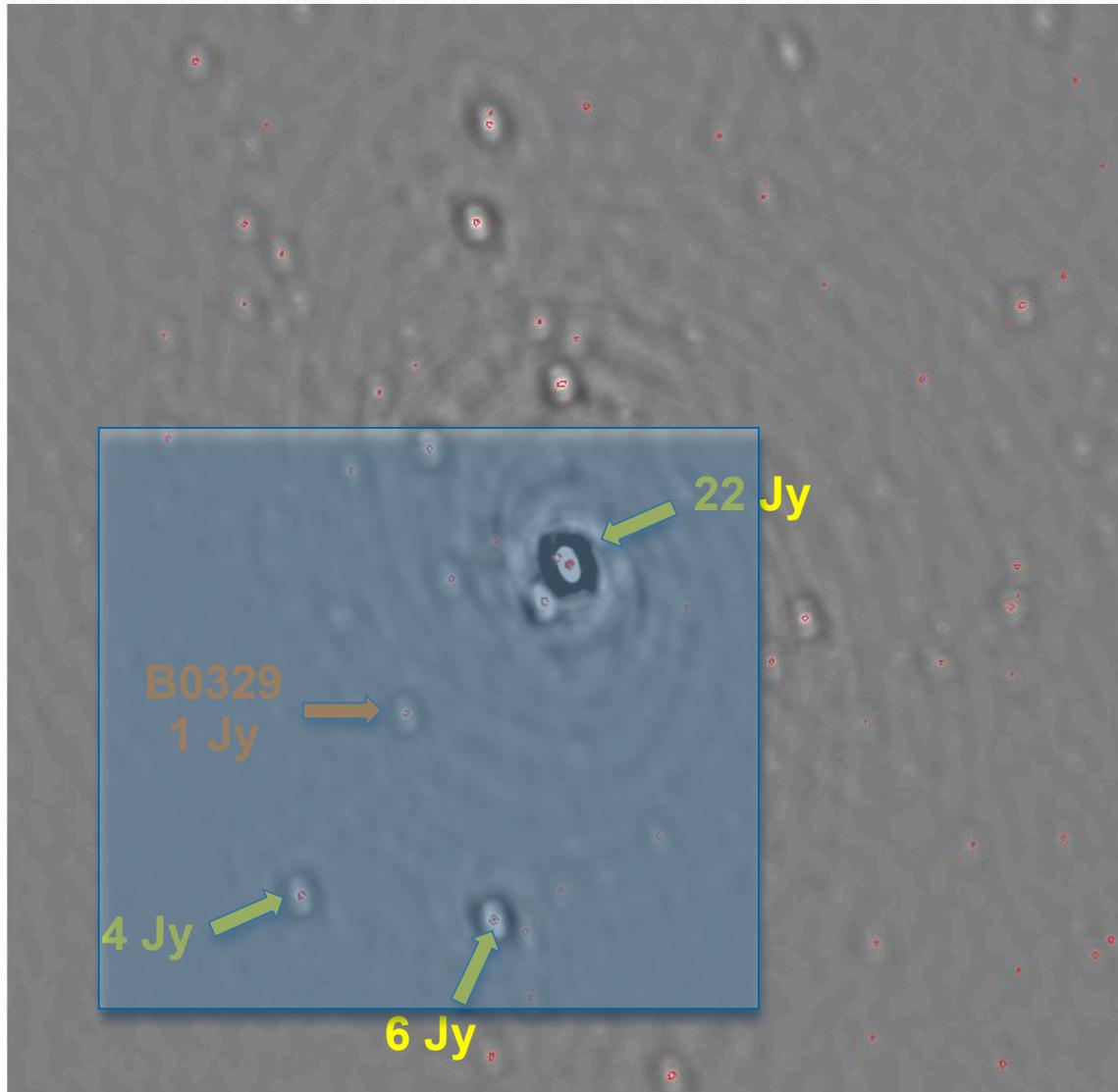
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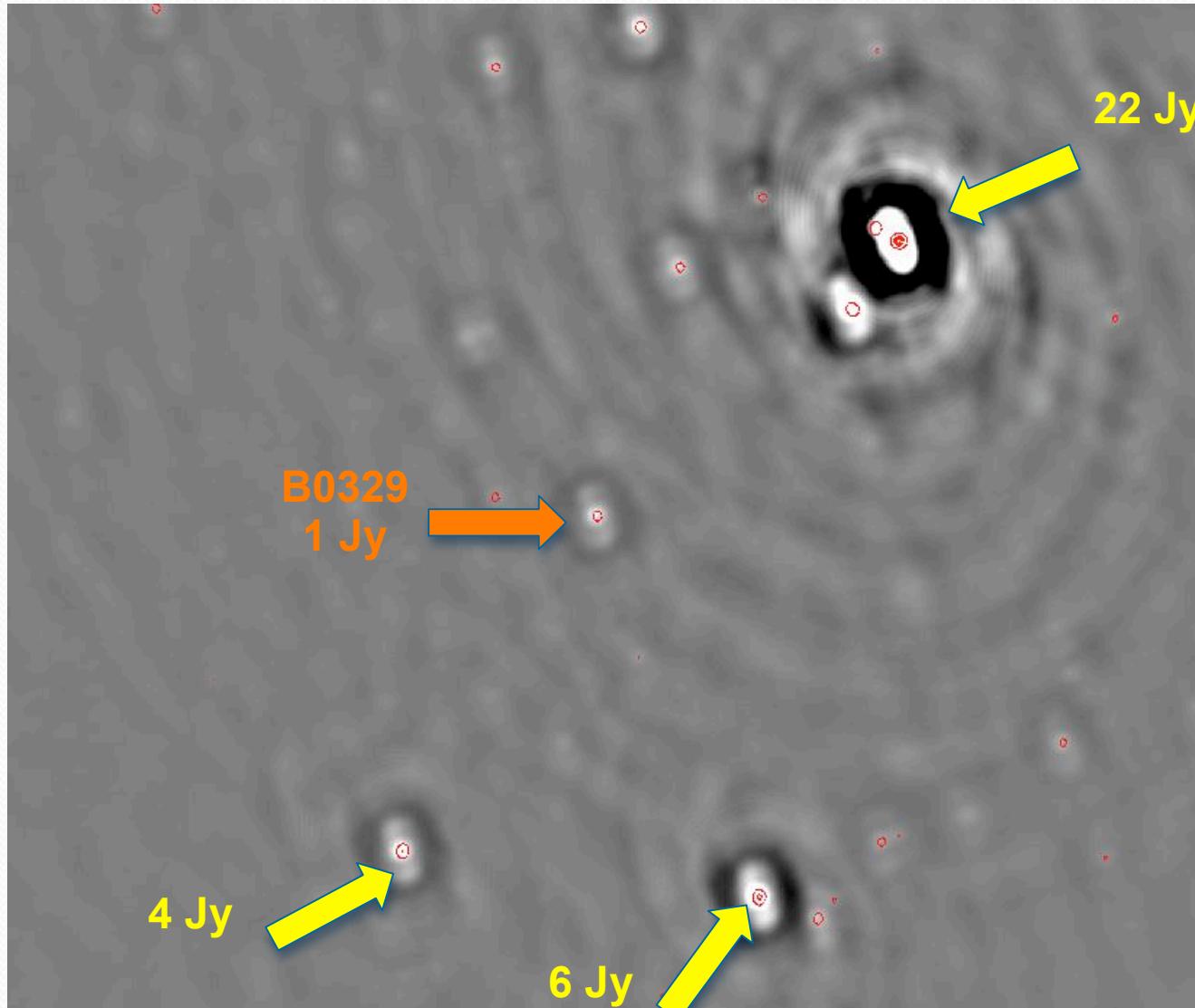
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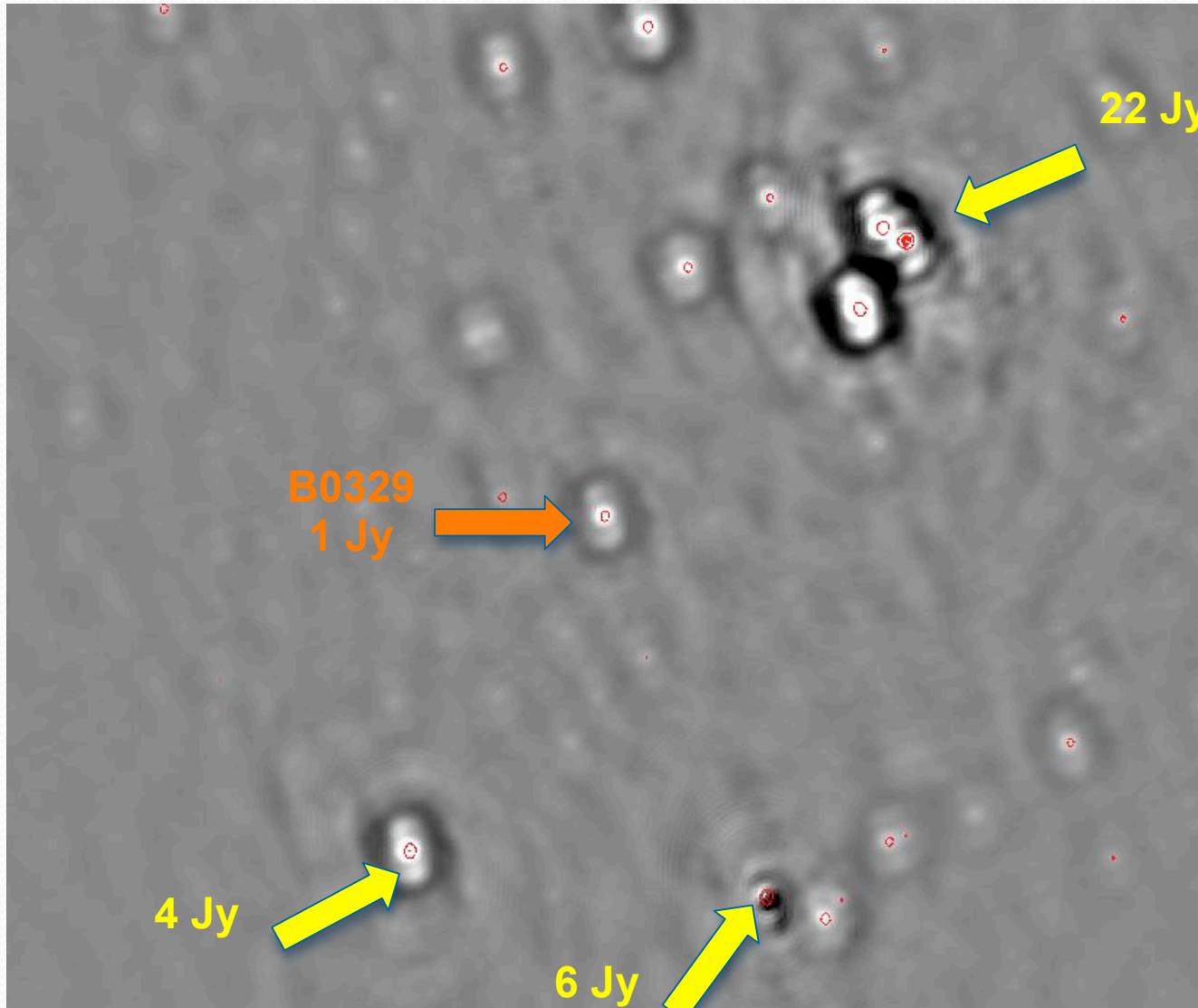
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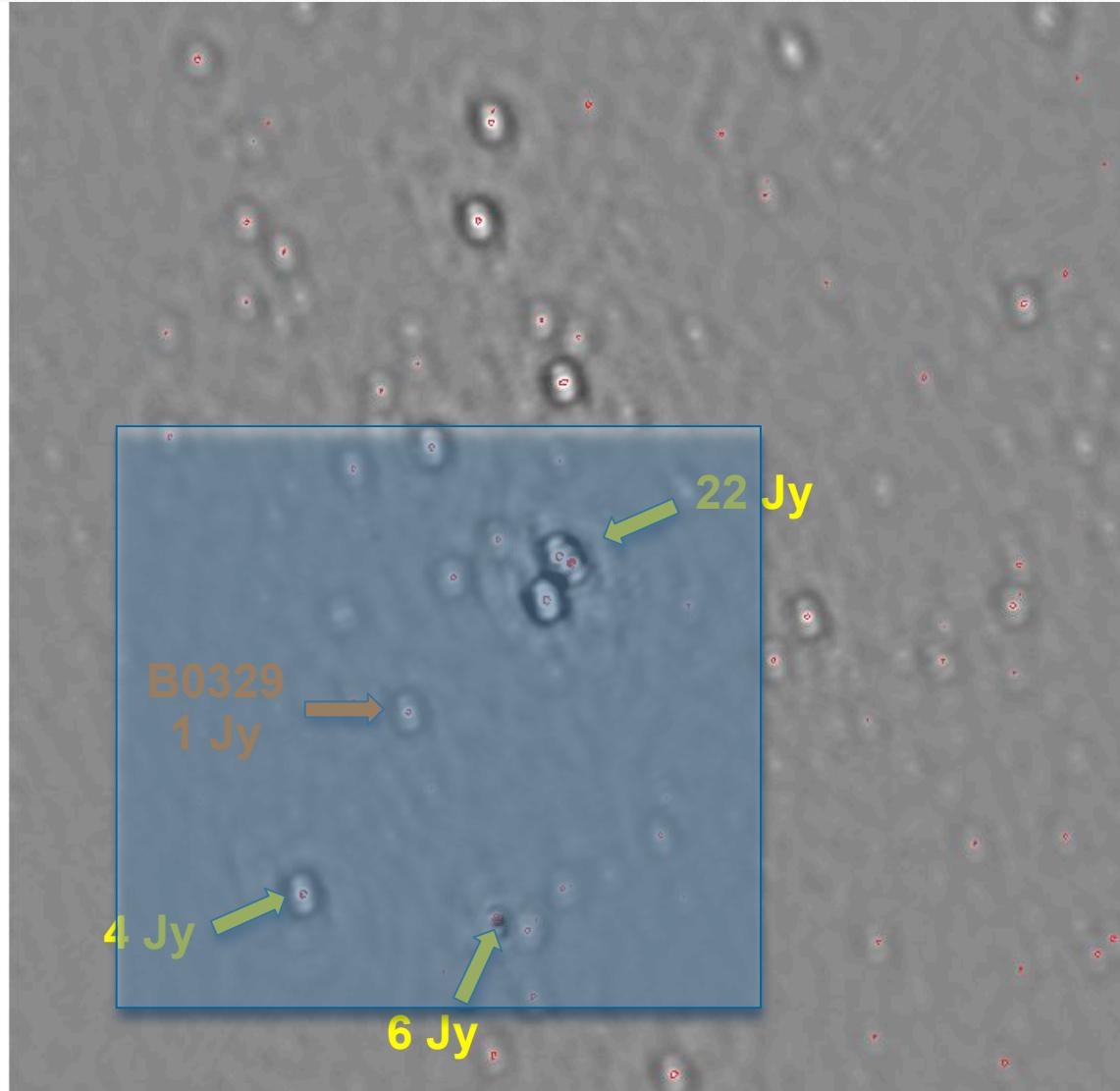
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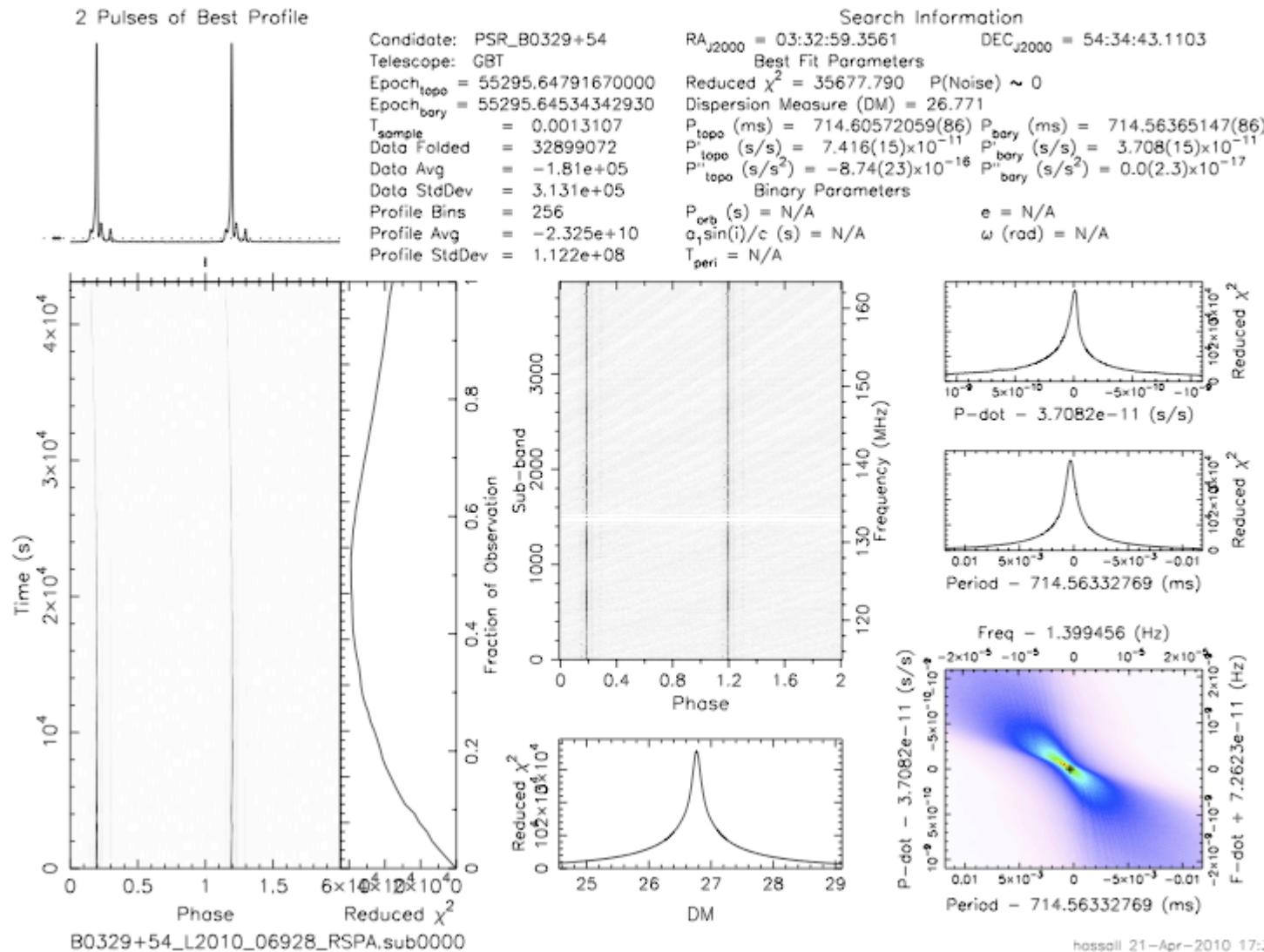
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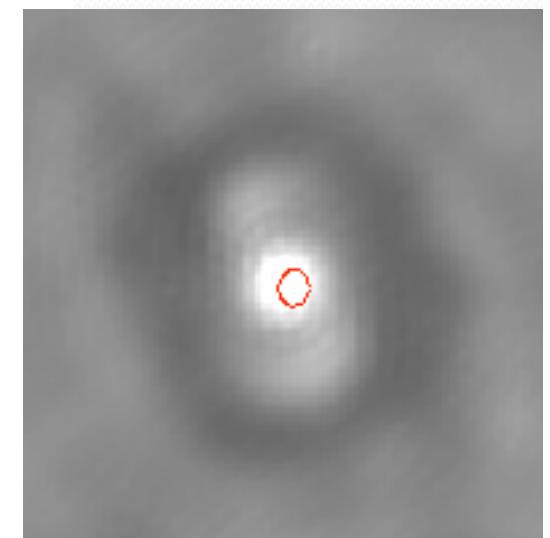
- Success with **simultaneous imaging + incoherent BF station sum!**
- Proof-of-concept of **piggy-backing during MSSS** and beyond
- **Parameter file settings** took iterations to work out; can be re-used
- **Bugs fixed** in the Imaging Pipeline and tools



Simultaneous coherent sum BF data (shown last week)



Pulsar Image



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