

# LOFAR MSSS Multifrequency Snapshot Sky Survey



STATUS REPORT AND UPDATE

MULTIFREQUENCY SNAPSHOT SKY SURVEY

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#### MSSS "Version 0"



- Initial versions of all mosaics in hand, with nominal flux scale corrections in place
- Initial combined HBA catalog in hand, including 137,724 sources using following filter:

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sqrt(pow((\$2-350.866417),2)+pow((\$4-58.811778),2))>10 \&\& sqrt(pow((\$2-299.8681525),2)+pow((\$4-40.7339156),2))>10 \&\& sqrt(pow((\$2-141.25),2)+pow((\$4-21.83),2))>2.4  (Exclude 10 deg radius around Cas A and Cyg A, as well as 1 bad field)
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- All fields and catalog loaded into MSSS VO server for use by initial group of testers (active MSSS participants and participants in MSSS Science Workshop) ... identifying bugs in system
  - Data products are password-protected before data release
  - MSSS Forum being used to collect issues

## Image products



 Still initial image products - aim is to understand systematics before completing reprocessing scheme

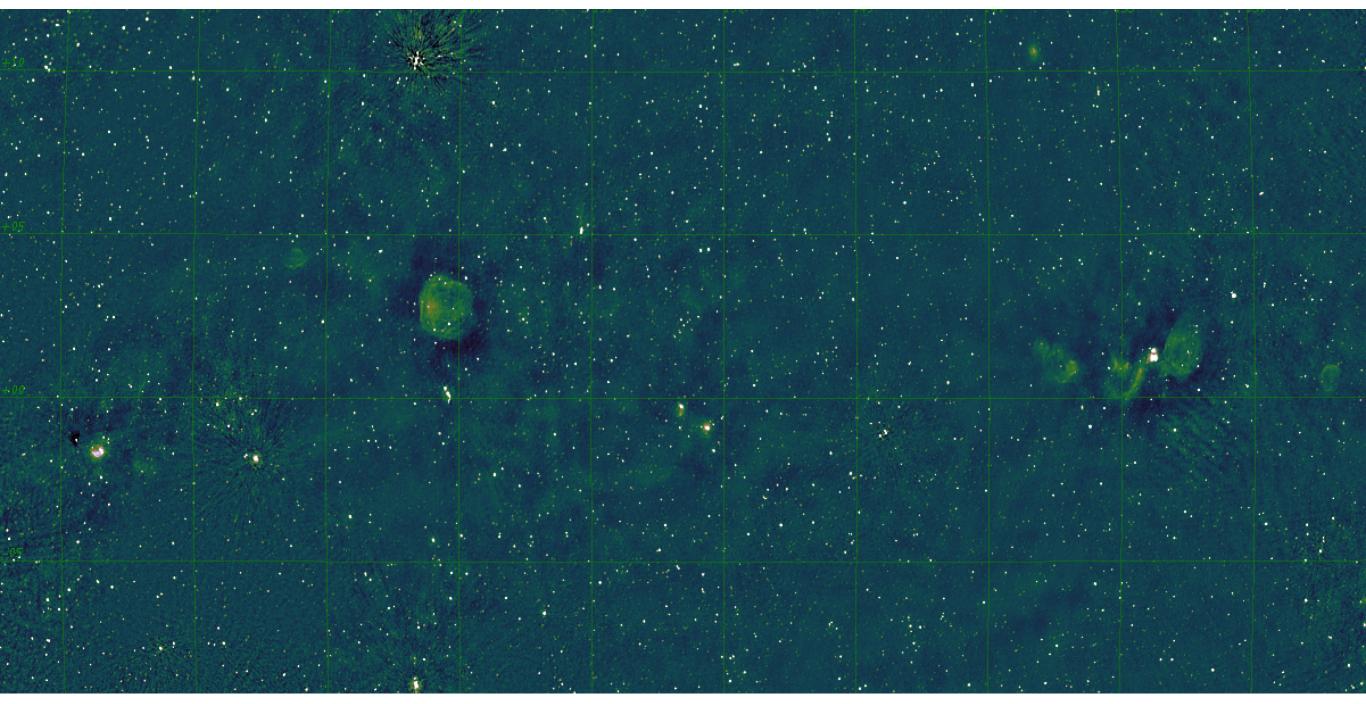


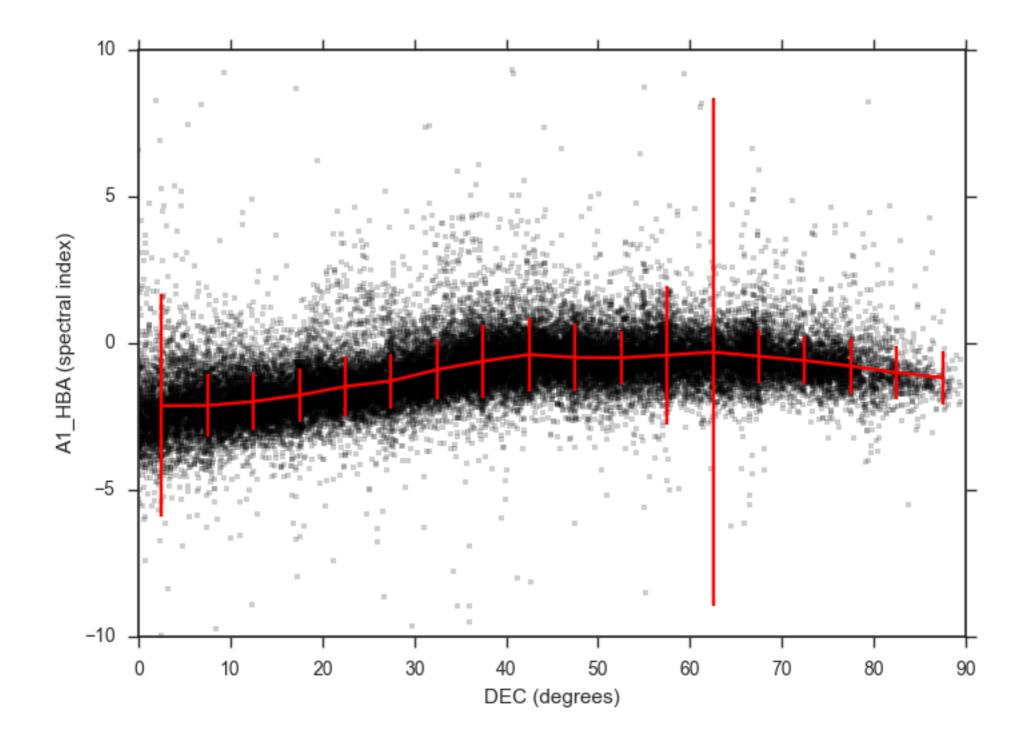
Image mosaic from DS9 courtesy Alex Clarke



## In-band spectral index behavior



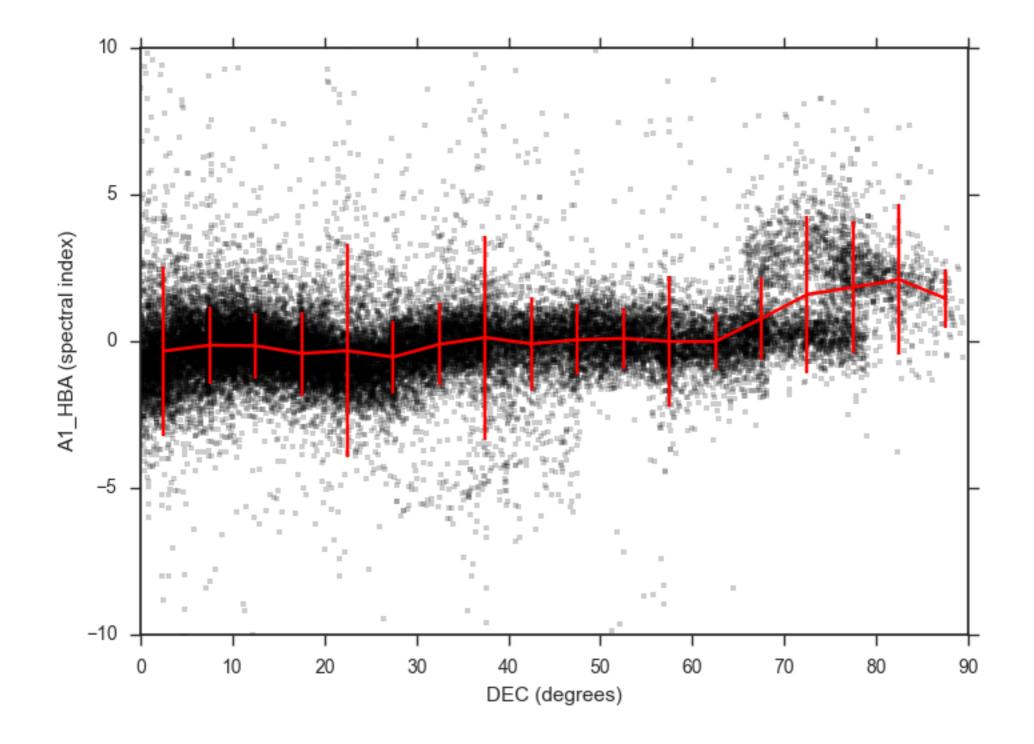
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#### ...but fluxes inconsistent



- Inconsistency in peak vs integrated fluxes
- ... investigation underway
- (affects A0, A1 values)



#### Science workshop



MSSS meeting at ASTRON 4-5 June 2015

## http://www.astron.nl/msss2015

- Schedule:
  - Thursday AM: overview talks (technical & scientific)
  - Thursday PM: discussion sessions (scientific & technical)
  - Friday AM: science working group splinter sessions
  - Friday PM: discussion session (data releases and publications)