# Massive Stars and Their Environment

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#### VIRGO SUPERCLUSTER

- IMF (including super-massive stars)
- Feedback (radiation, momentum, matter)
- Ionizing photon output and escape
- Metallicity of the host galaxy
- Cluster versus global galactic properties

Local Group and nearest galaxies

# The Galaxy

Carina Nebula (Trumpler 14 & 16)

• NGC 3603

Other young clusters harboring massive stars

• Haikala et al. (2017): the Carina Nebula and its ionizing stars



Trumpler 14, 16: some of the most massive stars known in the Galaxy

η Carinae

 HD 93129A (O2 If\*); Morrell, Walborn & Arias (2005)

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# Smith (2006); Smith & Brooks (2007): stellar and nebular properties

| Number of<br>O stars | $\log L \\ (L_{\bigodot})$   | $\log \frac{Q_{\rm H}}{({\rm s}^{-1})}$   | $\log L(FUV) \\ (L_{\bigodot})$   | $\dot{M}$<br>(10 <sup>-6</sup> M <sub>☉</sub> yr <sup>-1</sup> )   | $L_{SW}$ (L <sub>O</sub> )  |
|----------------------|--|---|---|--|---|
| 47                   | 7.215  | 50.91   | 6.91  | 91   | 45400   |
| 43                   | 7.240  | 50.78   | 7.05  | 1083   | 67000   |
| 42                   | 7.240  | 50.77   | 6.79  | 1083   | 67000   |
| 10                   | 6.61   | 50.34   | 6.31  | 18.7   | 13500   |
| 6                    | 6.18   | 49.56   | 5.88  | 5.9  | 1300  |
| 1                    | 6.00   | 49.42   | 5.69  | 18.3   | 7120  |
| 5                    | 6.00   | 49.64   | 5.70  | 5.2  | 2900  |
| 1                    | 4.68   | 47.88   | 4.38  | 0.15   | 33  |
| 70                   | 7.38   | 51.06   | 7.08  | 139  | 70200   |
| 66                   | 7.40   | 50.97   | 7.18  | 1131   | 91800   |
| 65                   | 7.40   | 50.96   | 7.00  | 1131   | 91800   |
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 $\eta$  Car currently not important but would contribute 25% of  $Q_{\rm H}$  if closer to ZAMS

- O star mass-loss rates not clumping corrected
- Nebular H $\alpha$  is ~70% of the stellar ionizing flux
- Kinetic energy of the nebula is ~30% of the stellar-wind energy
- Supernova input is small (t = 3 Myr)

#### NGC 3603; *d* = 6.9 kpc

- Crowther & Dessart (1998): photon and energy budget
- $Q_{\rm H} = 1.3 \times 10^{51} \, {\rm s}^{-1}$ ;  $L_{\rm w} = 5.5 \times 10^{38} \, {\rm erg} \, {\rm s}^{-1}$
- W-R are 10% of O numbers but provide 20% of  $Q_{\rm H}$  and 60% of  $L_{\rm w}$

#### Binder & Povich (2018): census of 28 Galactic clusters



- Left: comparison of stellar (horizontal) vs. nebular (vertical) Q<sub>H</sub>
- Right: comparison of stellar (horizontal) vs. dust (vertical) L<sub>bol</sub>
- 34% of Lyman photons are absorbed by dust before ionization of gas
- 68% of the stellar  $L_{bol}$  is absorbed and reprocessed by dust
- Sample includes Tr 14/16 and NGC 3603: excellent agreement

# The Local Group

- Large Magellanic Cloud
- Small Magellanic Cloud
- M31

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## Sabbi et al. 2013: HTTP (Hubble Tarantula Treasury Project)



30 Dor: giant H II region

- NGC 2070: ionizing cluster
- R136: central core

## Doran et al. (2013): massive star inventory in 30 Dor



Location of massive stars with spectroscopy Yellow: O stars; blue: B stars; red: W-R stars

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# Cumulative ionizing (left) and wind (right) luminosity for 30 Dor and R136



 $L_{\rm w} = 2.2 \times 10^{39} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$  (cf. NGC 3603)  $Q_{\rm H} = 1.2 \times 10^{52} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ; 70%  $\rightarrow$  gas; 20%  $\rightarrow$  dust; 10%  $\rightarrow$  escape Photon leakage?

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#### Borthakur et al. (2014): direct detection of Lyman escape at $z \approx 0.3$



Also: Izotov et al. (2016a, b; 2018).....

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# Crowther et al. (2010): R136 host stars with masses > 200 $\rm M_{\odot}$

| Name  | a1                   | a2                   | a3                   | с                    |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| BAT99   | 108                  | 109                  | 106                  | 112                  |
| $T* (kK)^a$                                     | $53 \pm 3$           | $53 \pm 3$           | $53 \pm 3$           | $51\pm5$             |
| $\log(L/L_{\odot})$                             | $6.94\pm0.09$        | $6.78\pm0.09$        | $6.58\pm0.09$        | $6.75 \pm 0.11$      |
| $R_{\tau=2/3}$ (R <sub>O</sub> )                | $35.4_{-3.6}^{+4.0}$ | $29.5^{+3.3}_{-3.0}$ | $23.4^{+2.7}_{-2.4}$ | $30.6^{+4.2}_{-3.7}$ |
| $N_{\rm LyC}~(10^{50}~{ m s}^{-1})$             | $6.6^{+1.6}_{-1.3}$  | $4.8^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$  | $3.0^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$  | $4.2^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$  |
| $\dot{M} (10^{-5} \mathrm{M_{\odot}  yr^{-1}})$ | $5.1^{+0.9}_{-0.8}$  | $4.6_{-0.7}^{+0.8}$  | $3.7^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$  | $4.5^{+1.0}_{-0.8}$  |
| $\log \dot{M} - \log \dot{M}_{Vink}^c$          | +0.09                | +0.12                | +0.18                | +0.06                |
| $V_{\infty} (\mathrm{kms^{-1}})$                | $2600 \pm 150$       | $2450 \pm 150$       | $2200\pm150$         | $1950 \pm 150$       |
| X <sub>II</sub> (per cent)                      | $40 \pm 5$           | $35 \pm 5$           | $40 \pm 5$           | $30 \pm 5$           |
| $M_{\rm init}  ({ m M}_{\bigodot})^b$           | $320^{+100}_{-40}$   | $240_{-45}^{+45}$    | $165^{+30}_{-30}$    | $220^{+55}_{-45}$    |
| $M_{ m current} \ ({ m M}_{\bigodot})^b$        | $265^{+80}_{-35}$    | $195^{+35}_{-35}$    | $135^{+25}_{-20}$    | $175_{-35}^{+40}$    |
| $M_{K_{\rm s}}$ (mag)                           | $-7.6 \pm 0.2$       | $-7.3 \pm 0.2$       | $-6.9 \pm 0.2$       | $-7.4 \pm 0.2$       |

- Very massive stars significantly affect the photon budget
- Important for IMF
- 30 Dor IMF has excess of very massive stars (Schneider et al. 2018)

#### Lopez et al. (2011): comparing pressure components in 30 Dor



- Mapping pressures in radio, IR, UV/optical, X-rays
- Dust-processed radiation pressure and hot gas pressure are not important
- Radiation pressure dominates within 75 pc of R136
- H II gas pressure dominates at larger radii.

Lopez et al. (2014): generalize prior study to 32 LMC and SMC H II regions



- Radiation pressure no longer dominant
- No signatures to indicate that shocks are an important source of ionization
- Well described by photoionization from the central clusters where the ionizing continuum is dominated by the most massive O stars

## McLeod et al. (2018): VLT/MUSE observations of N44 and N180



- MUSE: IFU with 1 arcmin FOV; 8 by 8 mosaic
- Obtain spectra of gas and all ionizing stars at the same time

$$P_{\rm dir} = \frac{Q_{0,\star} \langle h\nu \rangle}{4\pi R^2 c}$$

$$P_w \simeq 2.3 \times 10^{-12} \left(\frac{L_w}{10^{36} \text{ erg } s^{-1}}\right)^{2/5} \left(\frac{n_0}{0.25 \text{ cm}^{-3}}\right)^{3/5}$$

$$\left(\frac{10^6 \text{ yr}}{t}\right)^{4/5} \quad \text{dyn cm}^{-2}$$

$$P_{\rm ion} = (n_{\rm e} + n_{\rm H} + n_{\rm He}) kT_{\rm e} \approx 2n_{\rm e} kT_{\rm e}$$

- Feedback from the massive stellar population in individual subregions
- Direct radiation pressure P<sub>dir</sub>
- Pressure from stellar winds P<sub>w</sub>
- Pressure of the warm ionized gas P<sub>ion</sub>
- The warm ionized gas and winds drive the expansion of the H II regions



for 27 500  $< T_{\rm eff} \leq 50\,000~{\rm K}$ 

- Wind input may have been overestimated
- Assumed solar abundances for mass-loss rates
- Mass-loss rates scale with heavy-element abundances (Vink et al. (2001)
- Generally supported by data in the LMC and SMC
- Weak wind features in spectra of extremely metal-deficient galaxies
- Difficult to disentangle from uncertainties in L

#### Weisz et al. (2015): PHAT (Panchromatic Hubble Andromeda Treasury)



- IMF determination in young M31 clusters
- Slope at the upper end close to Kroupa (2002)
- No significant dependence on environment and other cluster properties
- Caveat: exclusively based on photometry

# and beyond .....

- NGC 5253
- II Zw 40
- LEGUS clusters

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## Smith et al. (2016): HST COS spectroscopy of a massive cluster in NGC 5253



- $M = 3 \times 10^5 \mathrm{M}_{\odot}$ 
  - *t* < 2 Myr
- Spectrum strikingly similar to that of central stars of NGC 2070
- Presence of very massive stars is likely

#### Kepley et al. (2014): thermal radio emission in II Zw 40



- II Zw 40: original "extragalactic HII region" (Searle & Sargent 1971)
- O/H+12 =8.09; D=11.1 Mpc;  $M_{dyn} = 6 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$
- Dominated by one ionizing cluster "SSC-N" and associated giant H II region
- $M = 9 \times 10^5 \text{ M}_{\odot}$ ,  $L_{\text{Bol}} = 1.1 \times 10^9 \text{ erg s}^{-1}$ ,  $Q_{\text{H}} = 6 \times 10^{52} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , t = 2.8 Myr
- Order of magnitude more massive and luminous than 30 Dor (Leitherer et al. 2018)

#### Sokal et al. (2016): emerging star clusters with W-R features



- Star clusters selected as thermal radio emitters and embedded in dust
- W-R features commonly detected at ages as young as 2 Myr
- Birth material cleared out by W-R winds
- Genuine W-R stars not predicted by evolution models at this age

#### Calzetti et al. (2015): HST LEGUS (Legacy Extragalactic UV Survey)



- Panchromatic UV to near-IR imaging of NGC 5253
- Labels indicate ages in Myr; Cluster #5 is at the very top
- Age gradient → propagating star formation

15.3 pc

H I tail → interaction with M83 and infall of gas (López-Sánchez et al. 2012)

#### Hunter et al. (2018): environmental effects in LEGUS galaxies

- Star clusters characterized by concentrations, masses, and formation rates
- Compared to surrounding galactic pressure, stellar mass density, H I surface density, and star formation rate surface density
- No trend of cluster characteristics with environmental properties
- Rapid dynamical evolution may erase any memory of the initial conditions.

# What the local view tells us for extrapolation to the early universe

- Massive stars with masses > 200  $M_{\odot}$  exist
- Massive stars and their strong winds shape the ISM prior to cc-SN formation
- Photons leak out
- No strong evidence for an anomalous IMF
- Evolution models for massive stars are uncertain