

YOUNG STAR SCIENCE WITH SKYMAPPER

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BACK TO THE FUTURE...

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Ph.D. Thesis Proposal

Towards a complete census of young stars in the solar neighbourhood with SkyMapper

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IDENTIFYING YOUNG STARS

- Wide-field photometry
- Variability
- Astrometry
- Ha photometry



WIDE-FIELD PHOTOMETRY



Torres+08 SACY sample

WIDE-FIELD PHOTOMETRY

- Combine with GALEX, 2MASS, VHS, WISE, AKARI,...
 - SEDs from 0.3 < λ <160 μm
 - Disks, extinctions, temperatures, gravities, Fe/H?



WIDE-FIELD PHOTOMETRY

• UV and blue excess emission (activity, spots, accretion)



VARIABILITY

- Irregular (flares, accretion) and periodic (spots)
- Hour-week timescales cadence problematic?



ASTROMETRY

- Much room for improvement below δ < -30°
- Original plan: 36 epochs/5 years \rightarrow PMs to 2-4 mas/yr



PPMXL (Röser+10)

ASTROMETRY

• ...but why compete with Gaia?





- Ha emission common in pre- and post-MS evolution:
 - Accreting young stars (particularly M dwarfs)
 - Unresolved PNe; post-AGB stars
 - Be stars (incl. young Herbig Be)
 - Interacting binaries (symbiotic, accreting systems)
 - H-rich white dwarfs
 - Near-MS A stars and M giants
- Extragalactic studies (SFR etc...)



- 658 nm; 12 nm FWHM H**a** filter from Materion (Barr)
- 93% transmission
- Worlds largest (309x309 mm) and most uniform
- Will be swapped with *u* filter in non-survey time

The happy father after a long and painful delivery



- UKST SuperCosmos Ha Survey (SHS, Parker+05)
 - 4000 deg² along southern Galactic plane, photographic; R=20.5
- VST Photometric Ha Survey (VPHAS+, Drew+14)
 - 2000 deg² along northern Galactic plane ($b + /-5^{\circ}$) + bulge
 - VST/OmegaCam; *ugri+H***a** to 20th mag



VPHAS+ at January 2014









STELLAR PARAMETERS

- Degeneracy between M, age, A₀ and Hα emission
- Bayesian network
- Priors on *M,d,age,dM/dt* R_{in} (disk truncation) & A₀
- Compare model (r,i,Ha) to observations
- Sample joint distribution using MCMC



Barentsen+13

STELLAR PARAMETERS

Able to explore degeneracies, prior dependencies



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EXTINCTION MAPPING

• (r-i,r-Ha) reddening vector at large angle to MS



EXTINCTION MAPPING

- Extract A_v, d for early-A to K4 stars
- MEAD (Sale+09): Map $A_{r'}$ at 10', 0.1 kpc resolution



SURVEY STRATEGY

- Filter available in (bright) non-survey time (25%)
- VPHAS+ bright limit is *r*=12-14
- Cover Galactic plane to start, entire 2π deep survey?
- MC/galaxy survey
- Monitoring of southern SFR

ACCRETION VARIABILITY

