

The chemical composition of very young open clusters



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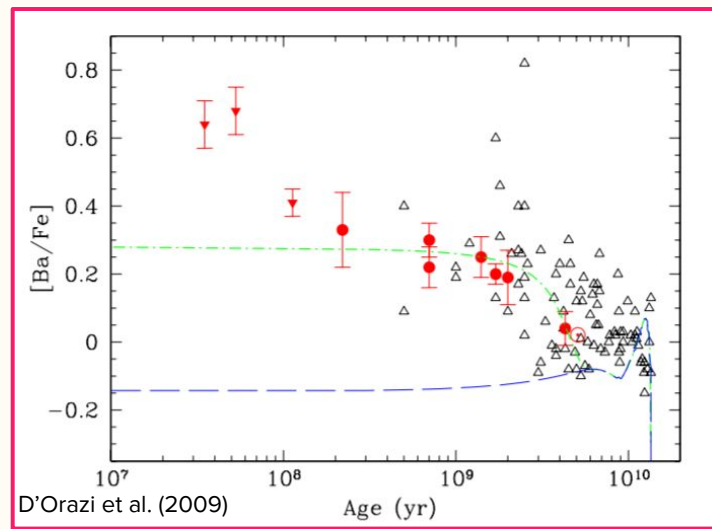
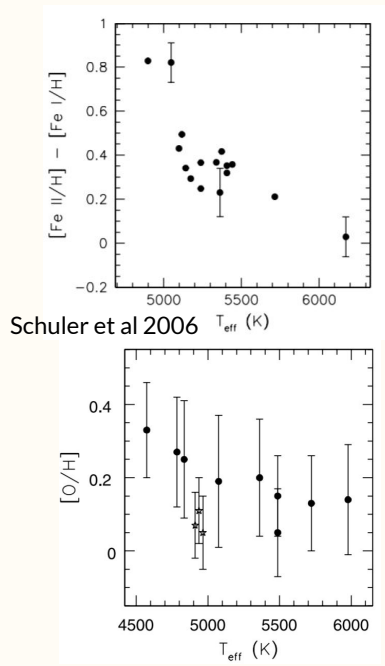
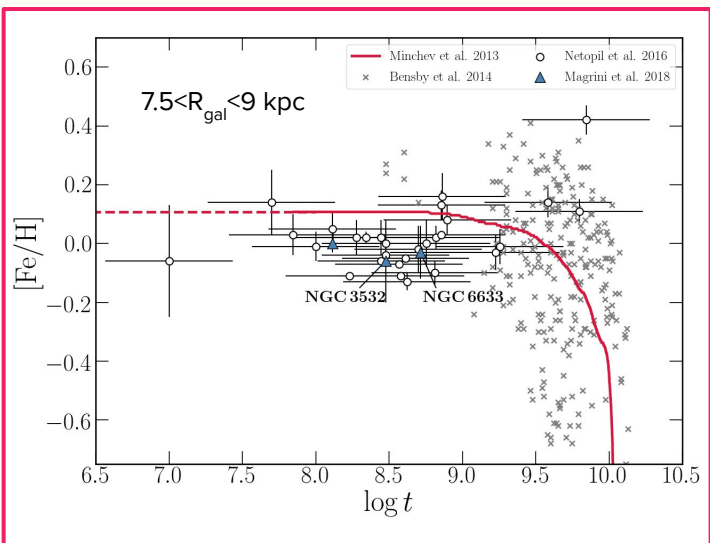
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1. the (apparent) **local anaemia** of the ISM
2. the **ionisation balance problem** and the **over-excitation** effect ($T_{\text{eff}} < 5400$ K)
3. the **barium puzzle**

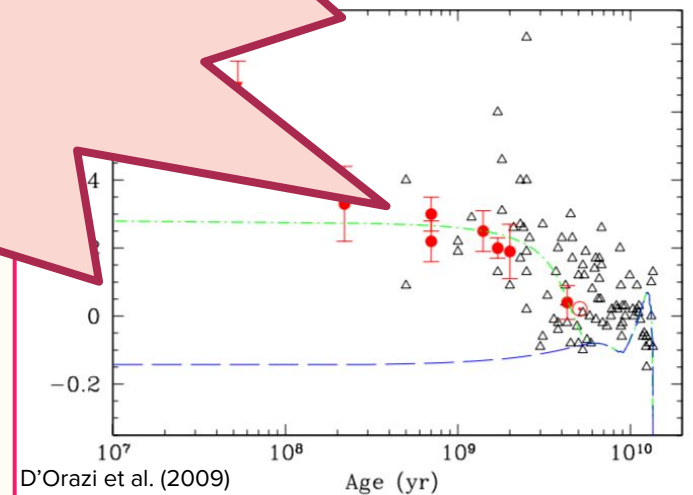
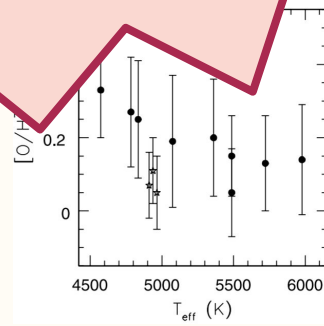
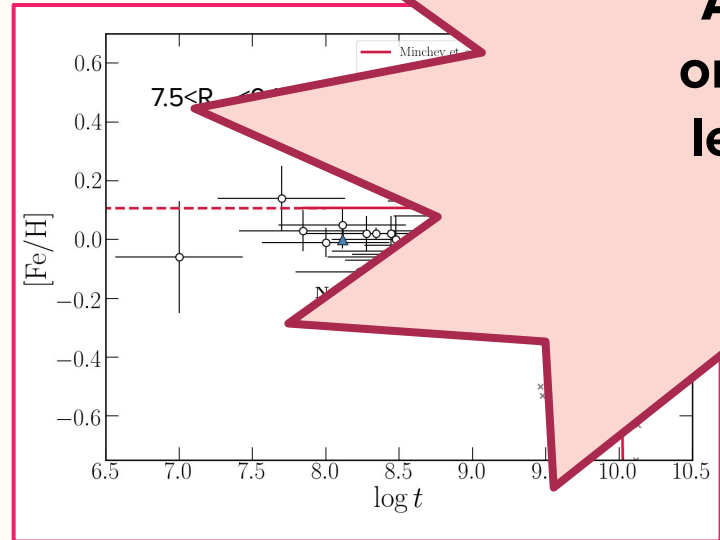


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**The key could be the AGE of the star....
or better the higher levels of ACTIVITY**

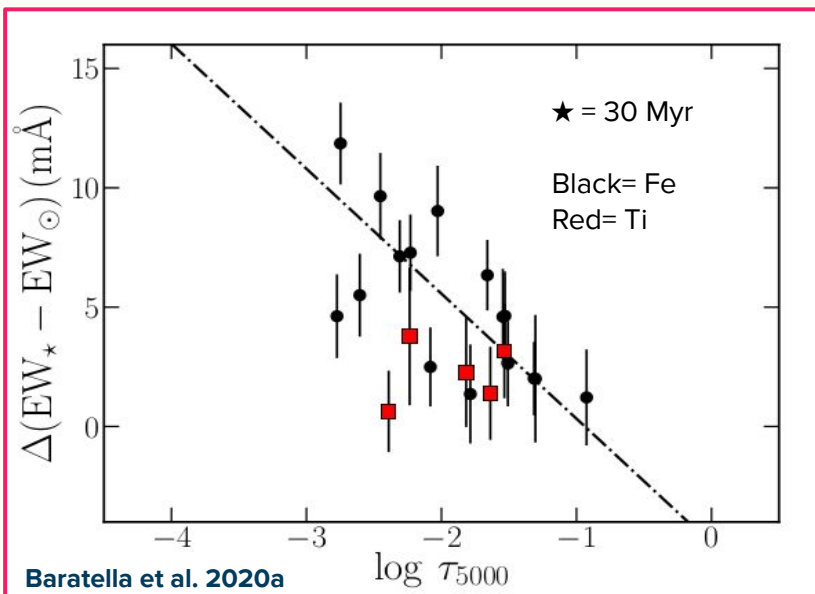


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Active chromosphere and/or intense photospheric magnetic fields = alteration of strong lines forming in the upper layers of the photosphere

(Yana-Galarza et al. 2019, Baratella et al. 2020a, Spina et al. 2020)



ξ = **WEAK AND STRONG FeI LINES HAVE SAME ABUNDANCE** (maybe affected by magnetic intensification)

INCREASE ξ UP TO 2.0-2.5 KM/S (GIANT STARS)

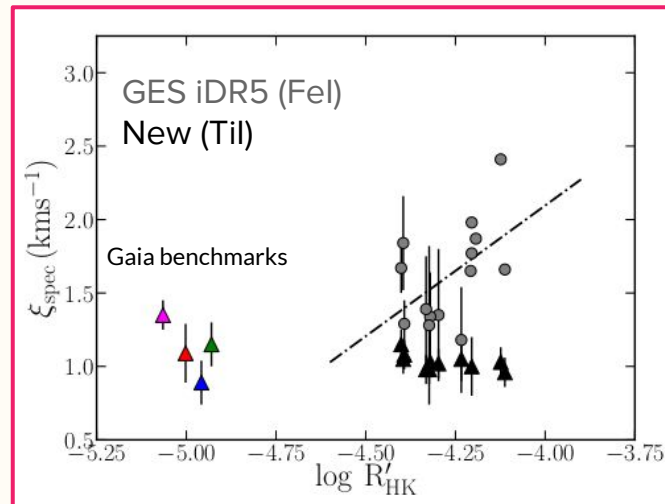
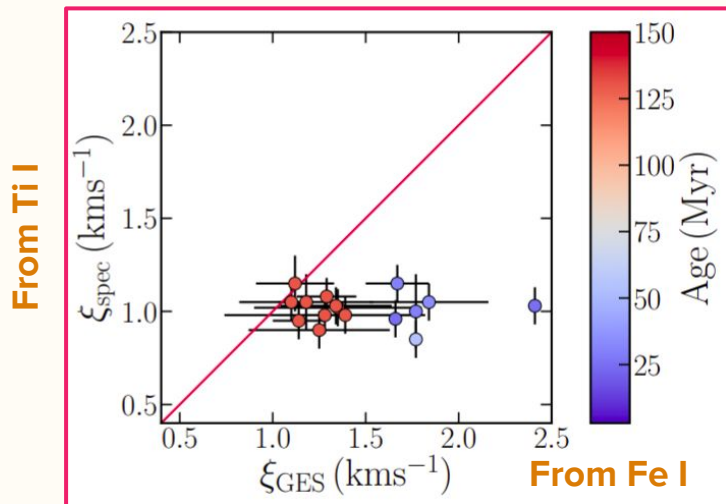
STARS HAVE ARTIFICIALLY LOW [Fe/H] AND [X/Fe] THAT RESCALE ACCORDINGLY!!!

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- T_{eff} from excitation equilibrium of **Ti+Fe** lines
- $\log g$ from ionisation equilibrium of **Ti** lines
- ξ by imposing that weak and strong **Ti I** lines have the same abundance

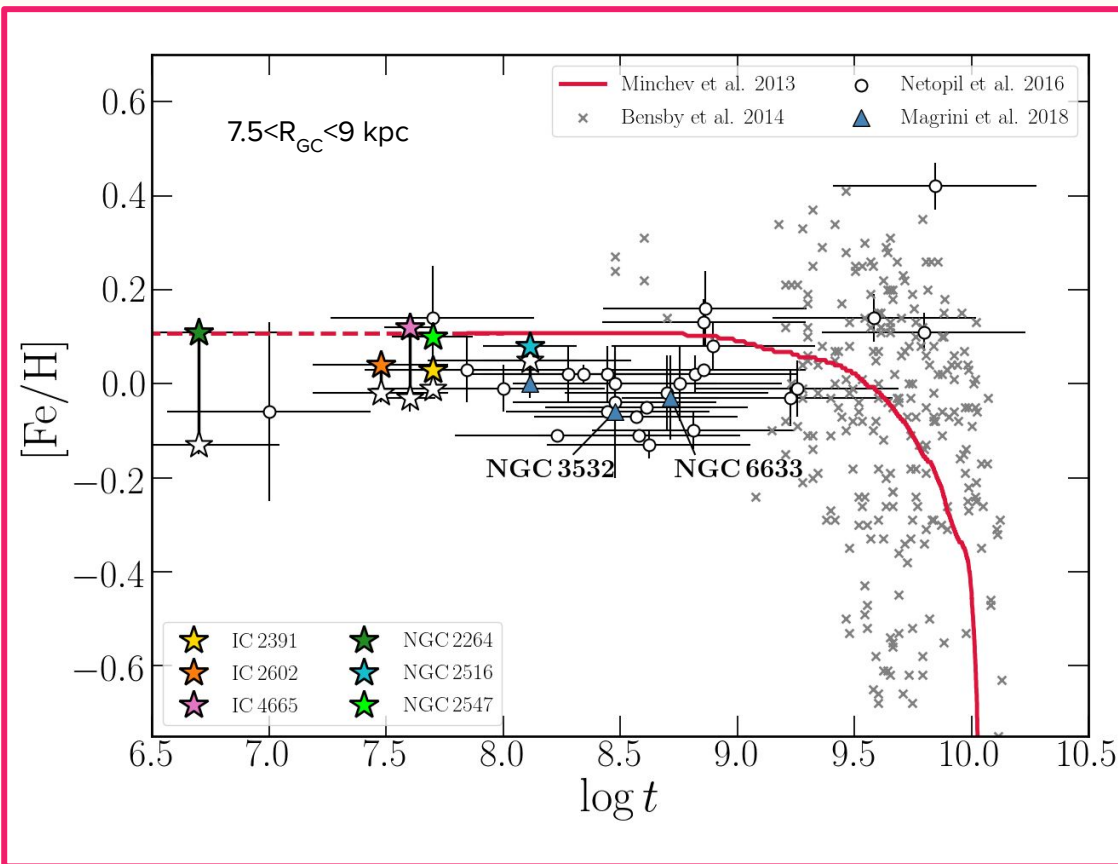
FGK **dwarf** stars



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*Apparent METAL-POOR
nature of YOCs = results of
fundamental issues in the
spectroscopic analysis of
young stars*



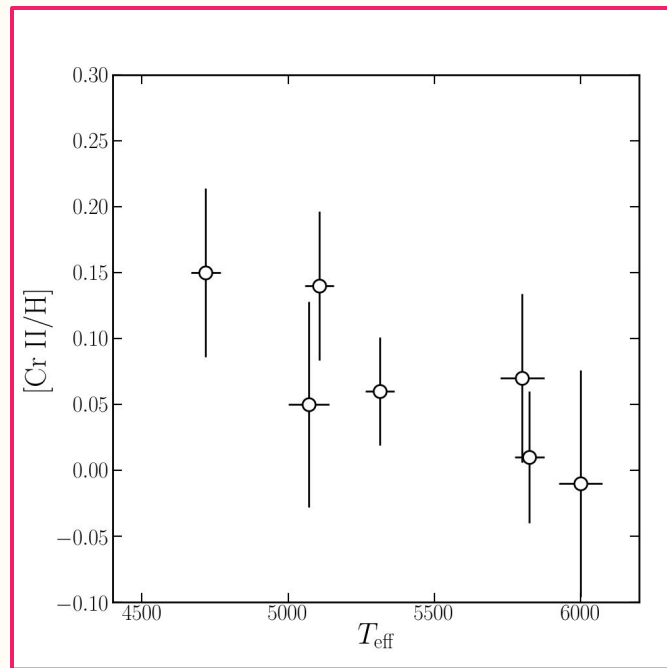
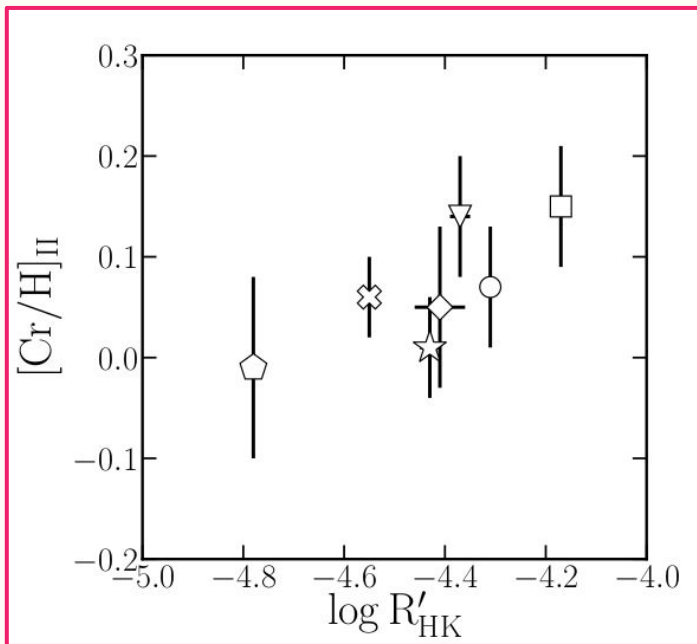
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Main methodology used within the GAPS program (FGK dwarf stars)

(aim: monitor and study stars with ages less than 700 Myr to study hot and warm sub-Neptune planets in formation)

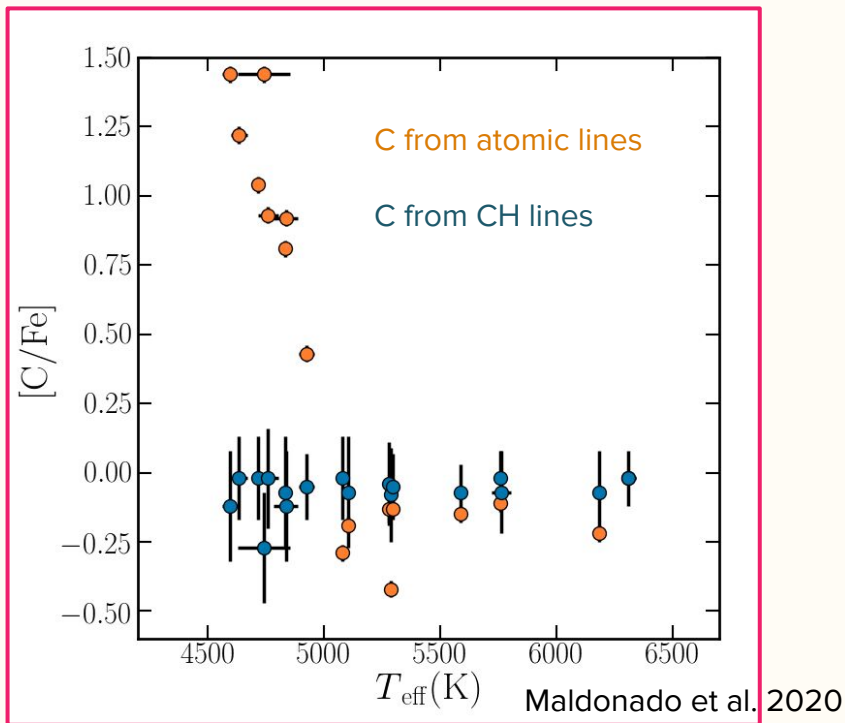
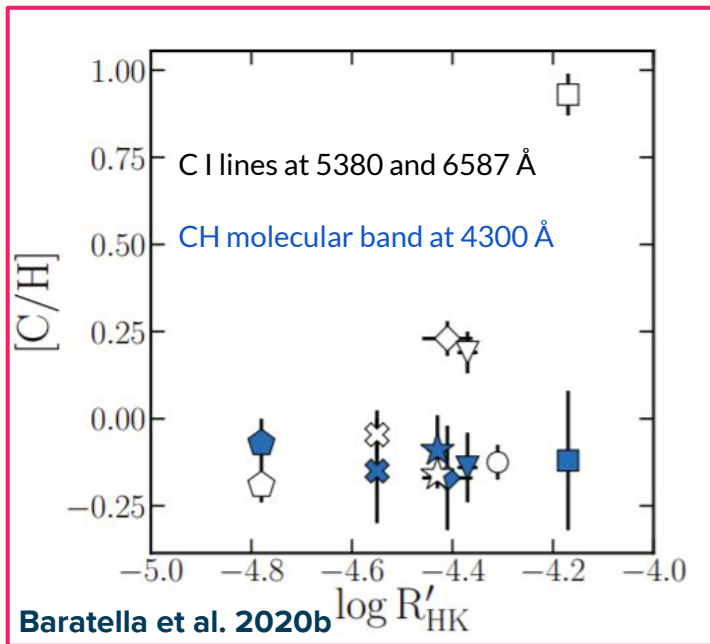
Teff = from 4718 K to 6000 K; $\log R'_{\text{HK}}$ from -4.17 to -4.78

GAPS



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Use of CH features for C abundances in cool and young stars (as in [Maldonado, Micela, Baratella et al. 2020](#) -- **HADES RV Programme**: derivation of M dwarfs abundances from FGK primary companion through PCA and sparse Bayesian methods)



The abundances of n-capture elements -- Baratella et al, in prep.

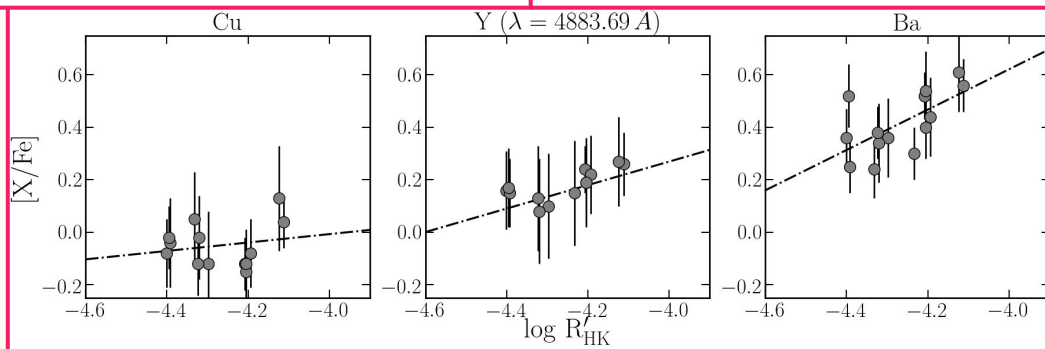
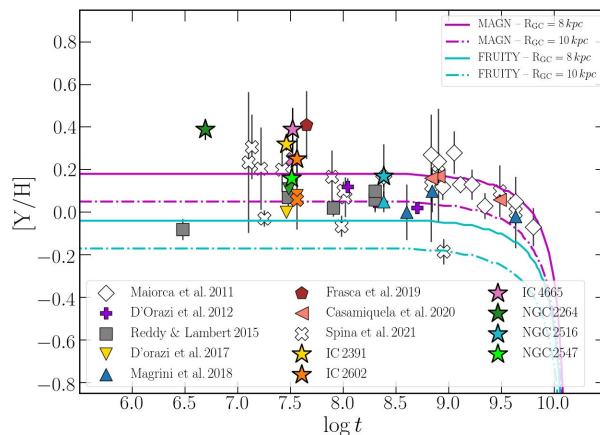
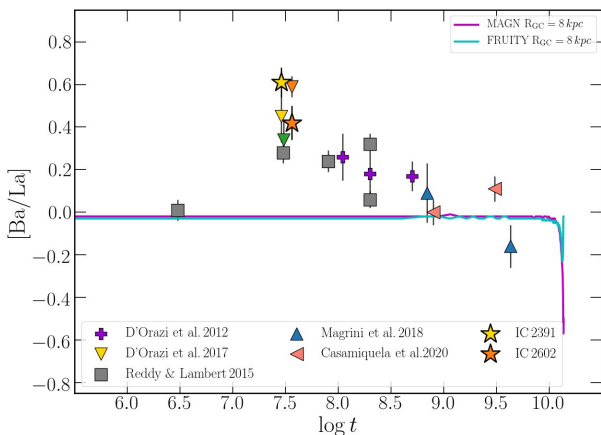
Cu, SrI and SrII, YII, ZrII, BaII and CeII (FGK dwarf stars)

Shed light on the
time-evolution of n-capture
elements, in particular the
s-process elements

Indication of a possible
correlation with activity!!!

Predictions from nucleosynthesis
and GCE models fail at reproducing
the observed pattern

Implications on the use of chemical
clocks at young ages, especially
those based on Y and Ba



Conclusions

- Analysis of young stars is **NOT straightforward**
- Needs to **revise** the spectroscopic analysis techniques of stars with ages less than 200 Myr
- Poor knowledge of the main mechanisms behind these effects
- More observations needed to exploit all the spectral range and analyse in more details the link with the **stellar activity**
- Implications in different fields: GCE, study of linking relations host stars-planets, nucleosynthesis models ...

Thank you !!!

