

# New Site for Synthesis of Heavy Elements in Massive Pop III and Pop II Stars

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# Neutron Capture Processes

## r-process

NS-NS and NS-BH mergers (GW170817!)

CCSN: neutrino-wind  $Z \lesssim 50$

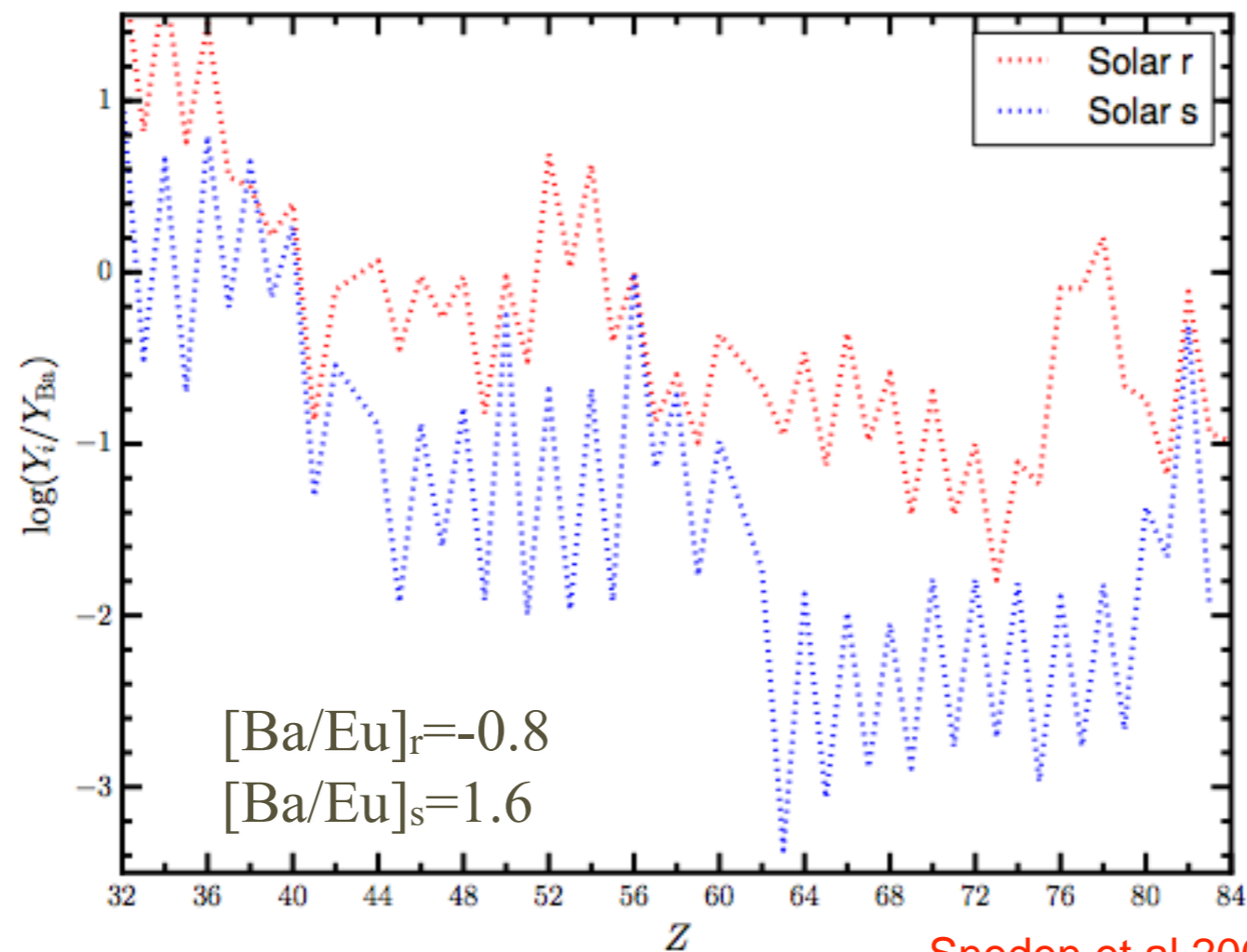
Jets/MR CSSN? (Mösta et al 2014)

## s-process

AGB stars of 1-3 solar masses

Does not operate in the early galaxy

Rotating massive stars: Mostly Sr, Y, Zr  
(Frischknecht et al 2016)



Snedden et al 2008

# EMP Stars $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] \lesssim -2$

## Neutron-capture-rich stars

r-I	$0.3 \leq [\text{Eu}/\text{Fe}] \leq +1.0$ and $[\text{Ba}/\text{Eu}] < 0$
r-II	$[\text{Eu}/\text{Fe}] > +1.0$ and $[\text{Ba}/\text{Eu}] < 0$
s	$[\text{Ba}/\text{Fe}] > +1.0$ and $[\text{Ba}/\text{Eu}] > +0.5$
r/s	$0.0 < [\text{Ba}/\text{Eu}] < +0.5$

## Carbon-enhanced metal-poor stars

CEMP	$[\text{C}/\text{Fe}] > +1.0$
CEMP-r	$[\text{C}/\text{Fe}] > +1.0$ and $[\text{Eu}/\text{Fe}] > +1.0$
CEMP-s	$[\text{C}/\text{Fe}] > +1.0$ , $[\text{Ba}/\text{Fe}] > +1.0$ , and $[\text{Ba}/\text{Eu}] > +0.5$
CEMP-r/s	$[\text{C}/\text{Fe}] > +1.0$ and $0.0 < [\text{Ba}/\text{Eu}] < +0.5$
CEMP-no	$[\text{C}/\text{Fe}] > +1.0$ and $[\text{Ba}/\text{Fe}] < 0$

Beers & Christlieb 2005

## surface pollution

### CEMP-s Stars

Mass transfer from AGB companion.  
Must be in a binary configuration but  
~ 10%-30% are single (Hansen et al 2016)  
Low-s CEMP/EMP stars are likely single  
(Spite et al 2014)

### CEMP-r/s Stars

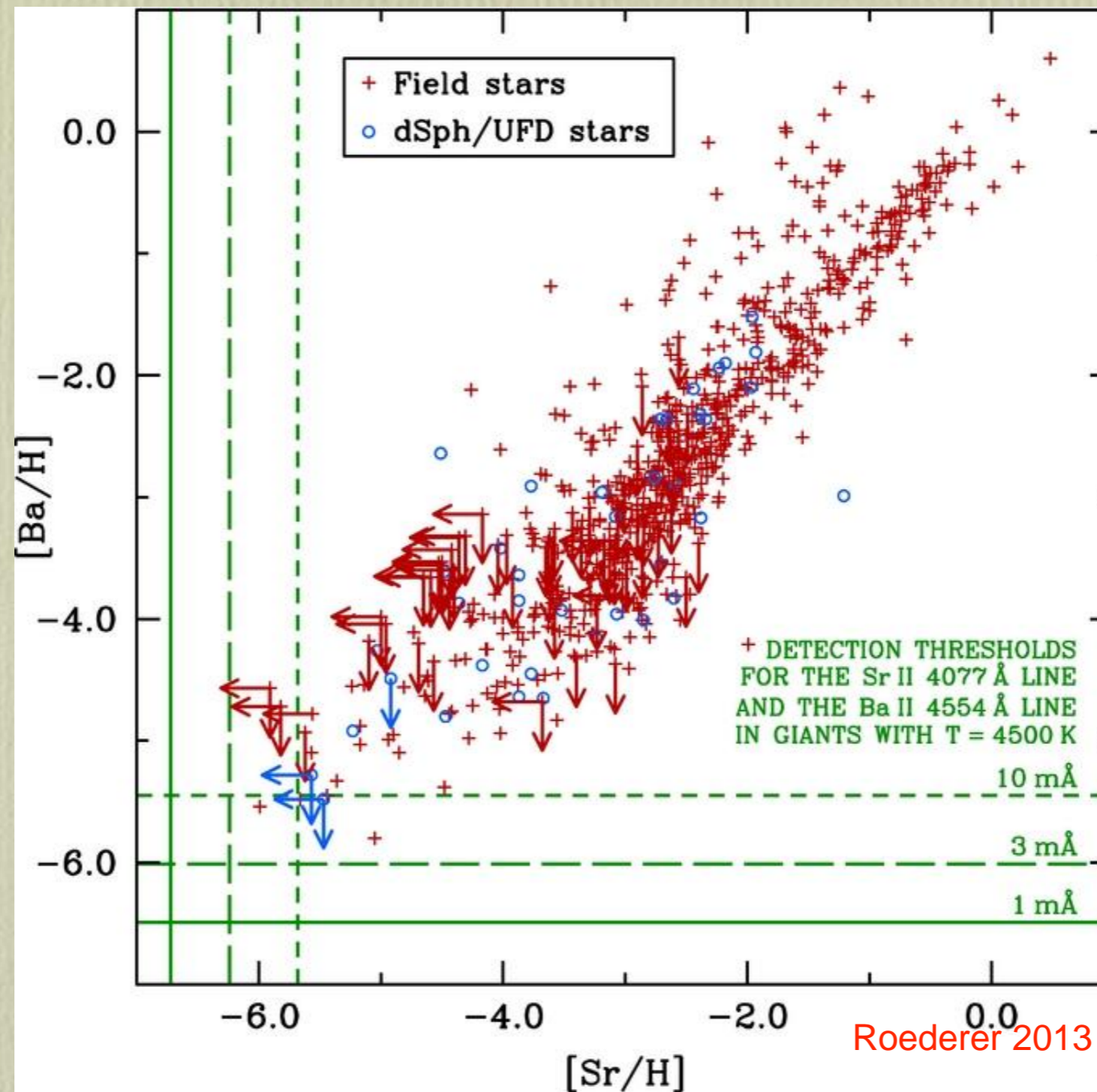
Mass transfer from AGB companion.  
Initial gas cloud with high r enrichment  
similar to rII stars.  
i-process in SAGB? (Jones et al 2015)

## ISM

### CEMP-no Stars

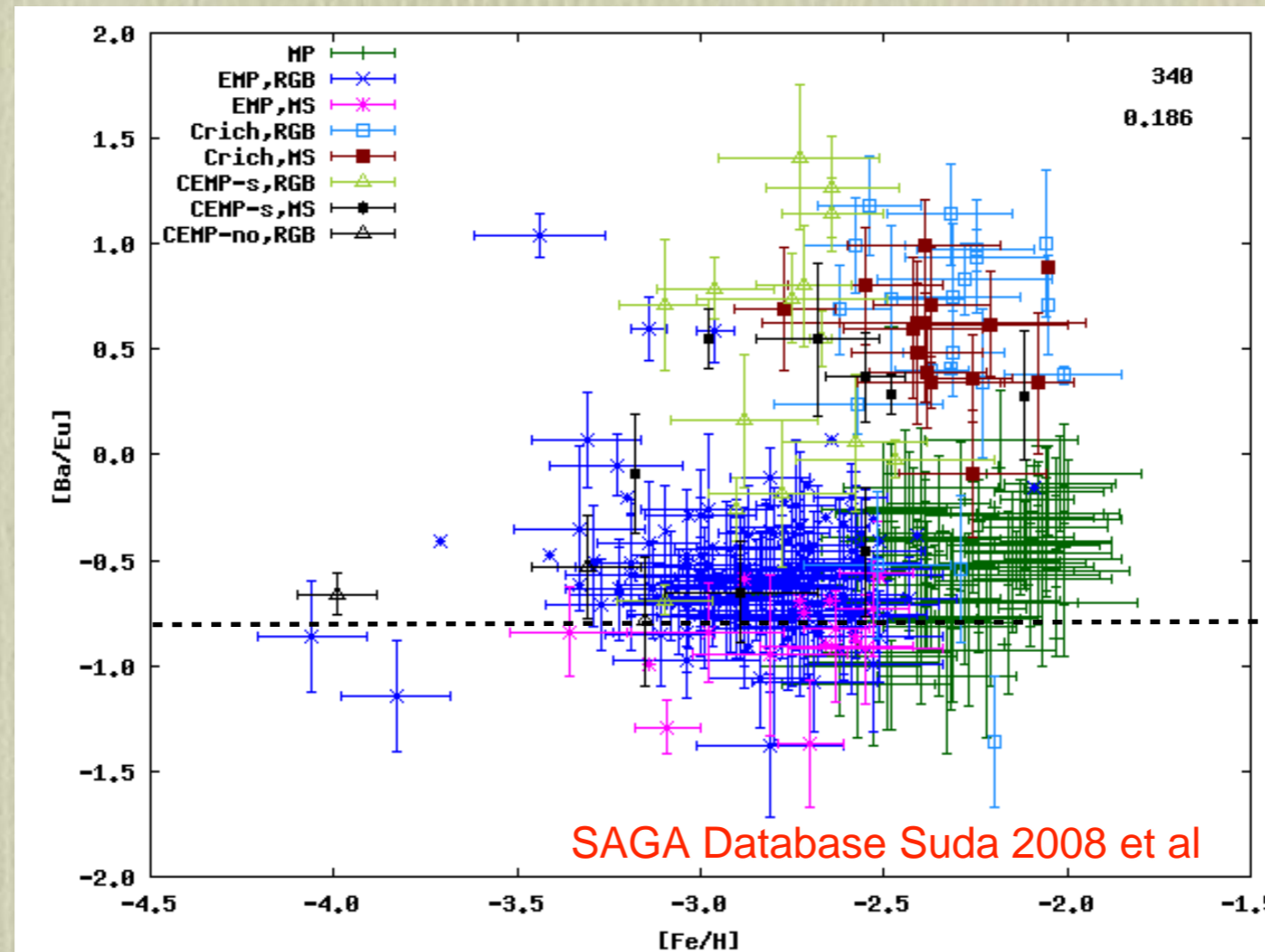
From Pop III stars?  
Origin of heavy elements?

# Heavy Elements in EMP Stars



Both Ba and Sr are common in early Galaxy

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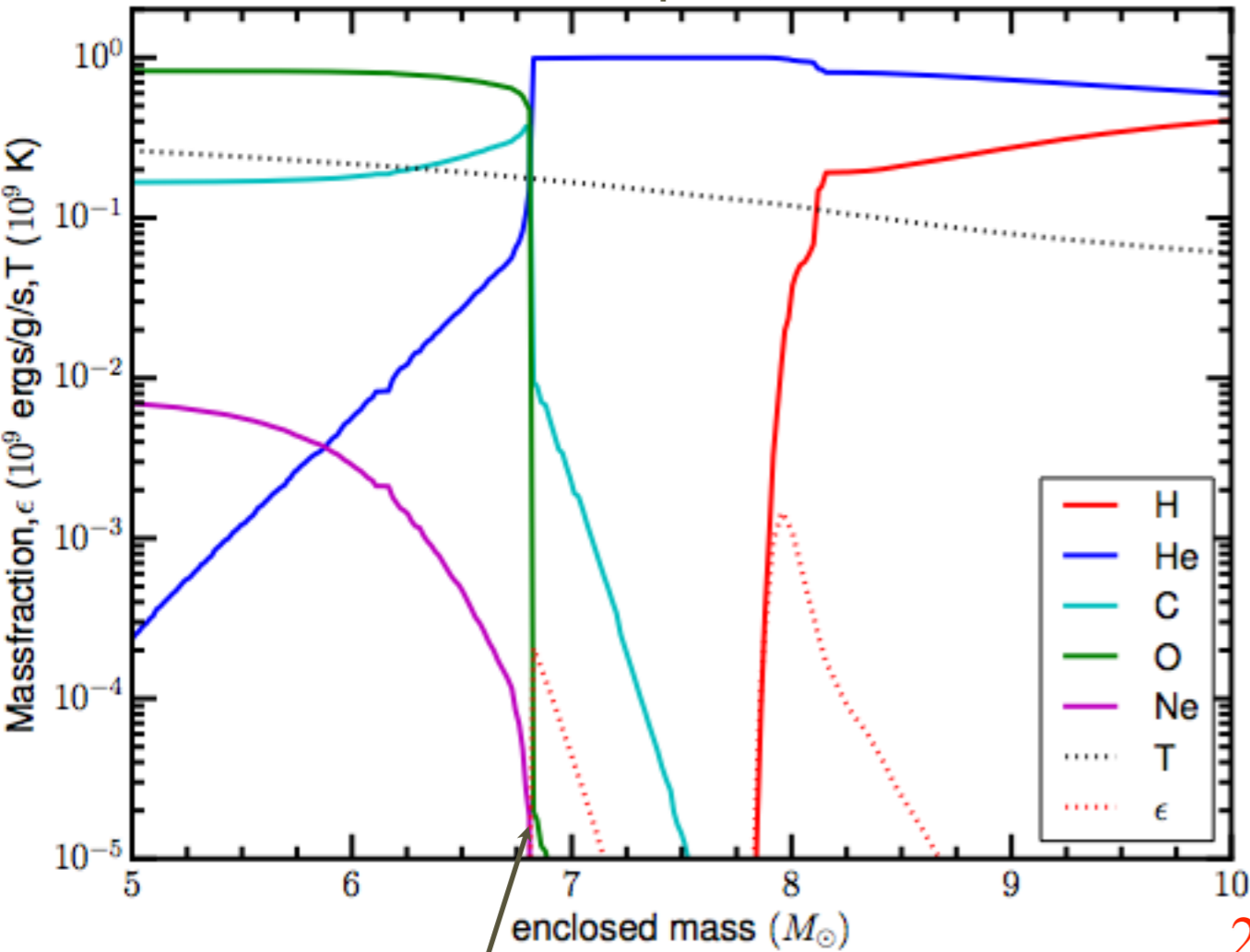
Early deviation from r-process value

Cannot be explained by surface pollution from AGB stars

Additional sites for neutron capture associated with massive stars?

# C Ignition

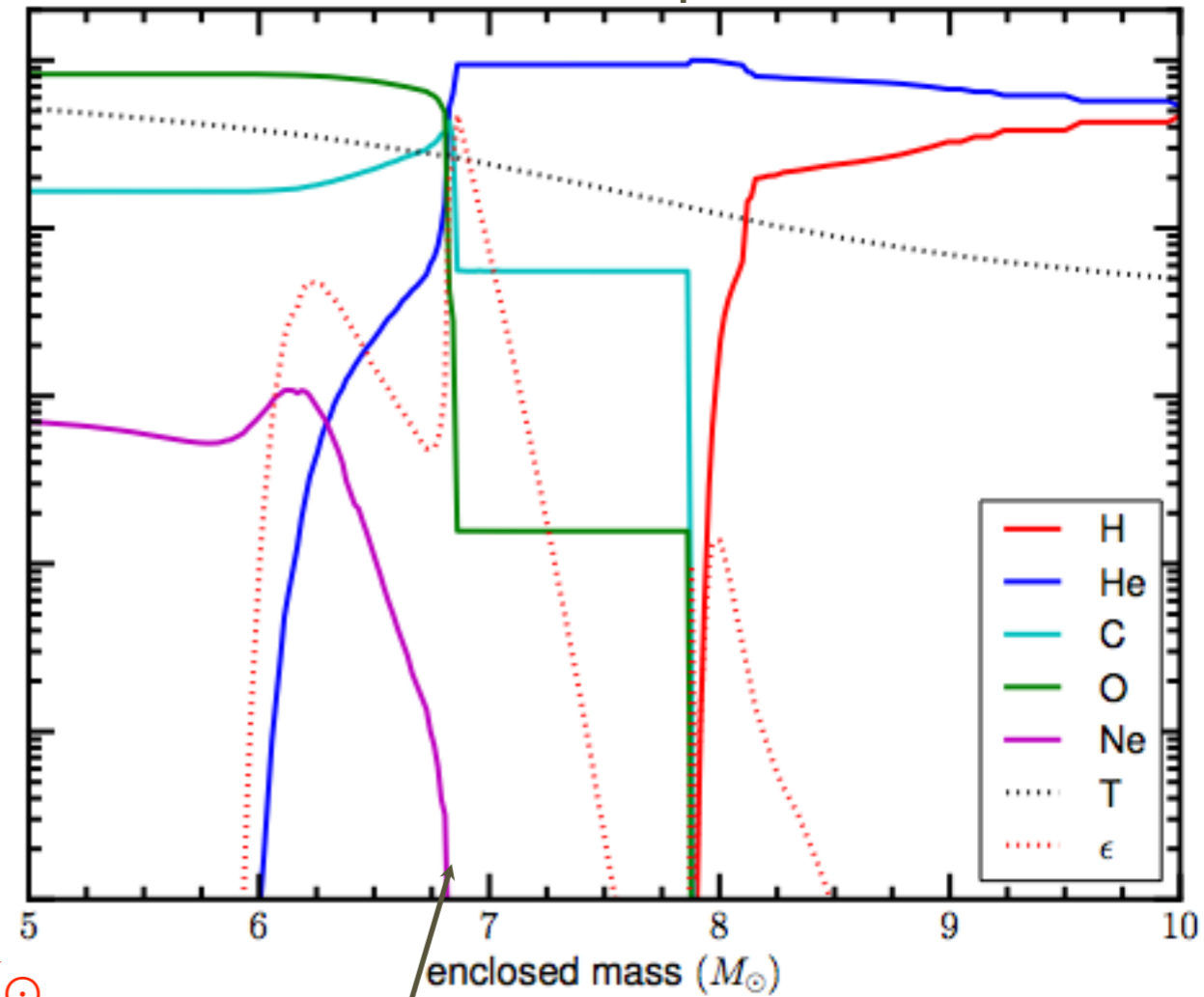
$10^{11}$  s before collapse,  $T_c=5 \times 10^8$  K



$T=1.75 \times 10^8$  K  
 $r=11.2 \times 10^9$  cm

# C Depletion

$2 \times 10^7$  s before collapse,  $T_c=1.2 \times 10^9$  K

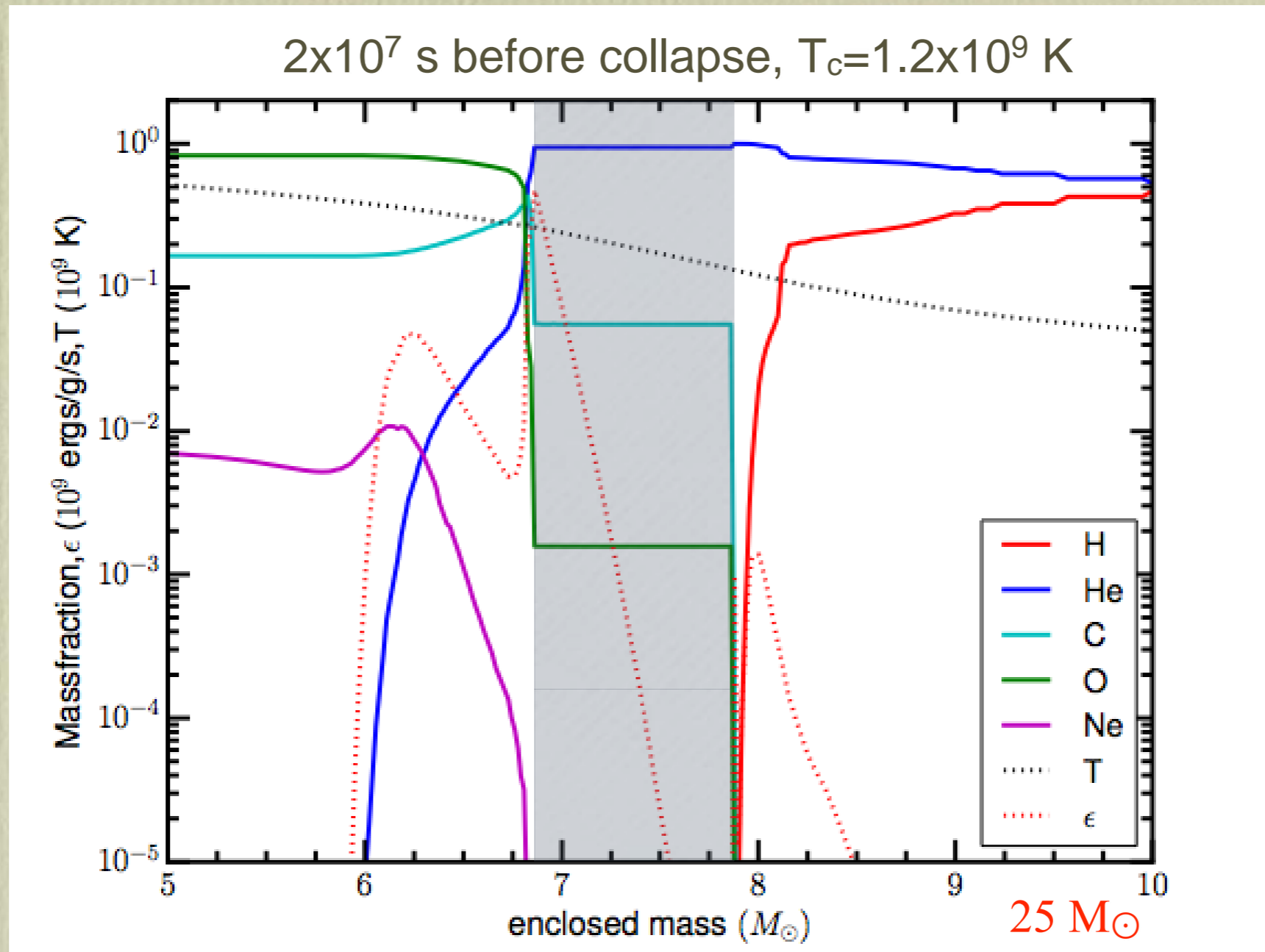


$T=2.7 \times 10^8$  K  
 $r=6.95 \times 10^9$  cm

$$\epsilon_{3\alpha} \approx 23.1 \rho^2 X_\alpha^3 (T_8/2)^{18.5} \text{ ergs/g/s}$$

Primary  $^{12}\text{C}$  and  $^{16}\text{O}$  production

# Proton Ingestion



Growth of convective He shell.

Mixing can occur at the convective boundary.

Including overshoot leads to  $10^{-3}$ - $10^{-5} M_{\odot}$  of proton ingestion.

Occurs for  $20 M_{\odot} \lesssim M \lesssim 30 M_{\odot}$ .

$M \lesssim 20 M_{\odot}$  : Convection does not reach outer He shell

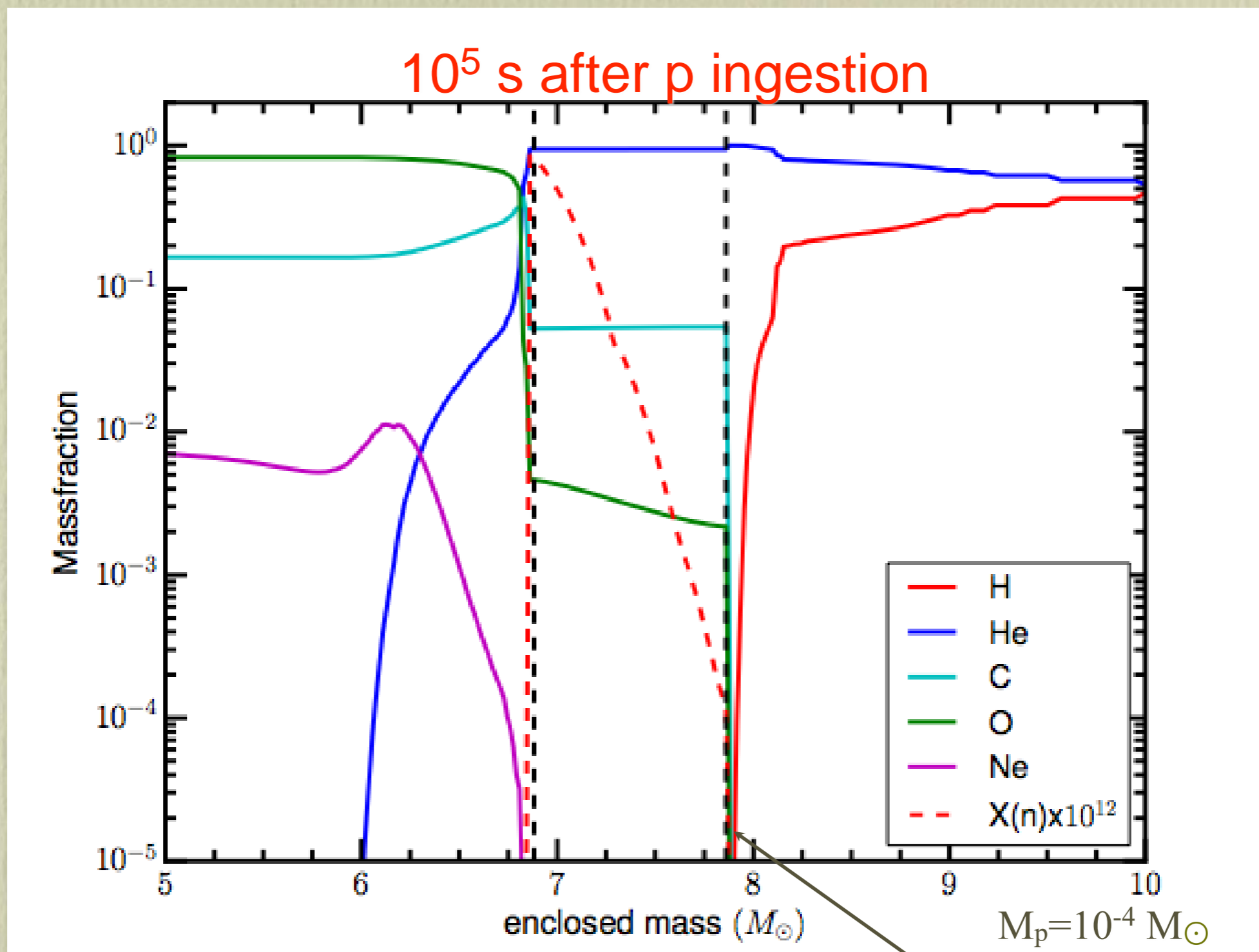
$M \gtrsim 30 M_{\odot}$  : Protons are depleted by the time He shell is convective

# Nucleosynthesis from Proton Ingestion

- 25  $M_{\odot}$  progenitor,  $[Z]=-2$  to  $-5$  and  $[Z]=-\infty$ . Scaled Solar abundance up to  $^{70}\text{Zn}$ .
- Single proton ingestion at the edge of convective He shell at Cdep ( $\sim 10^7$  s before collapse) and/or Odep ( $\sim 10^6$  s before collapse).
- Small time steps to follow transport of protons and resulting nucleosynthesis self-consistently.



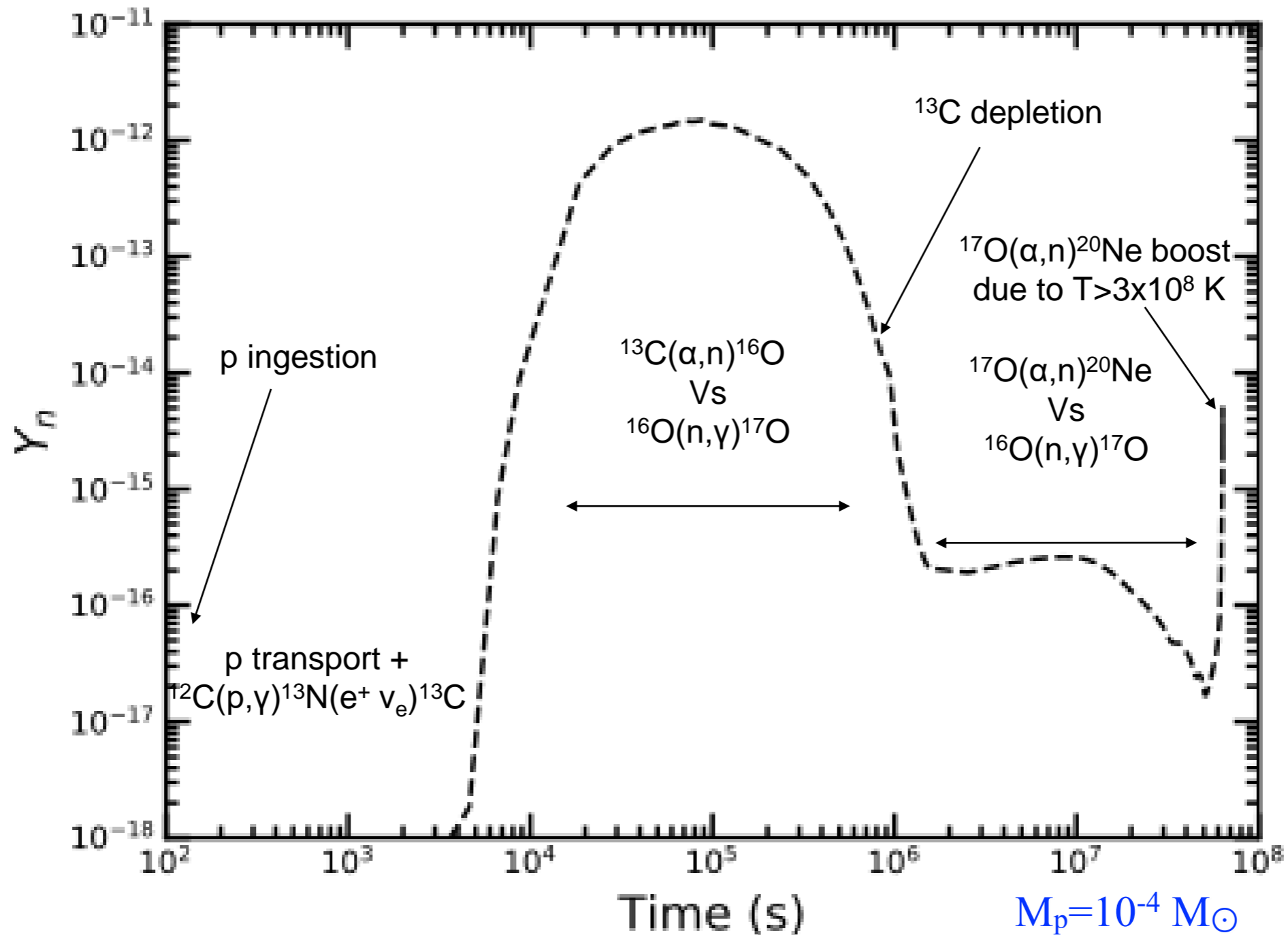
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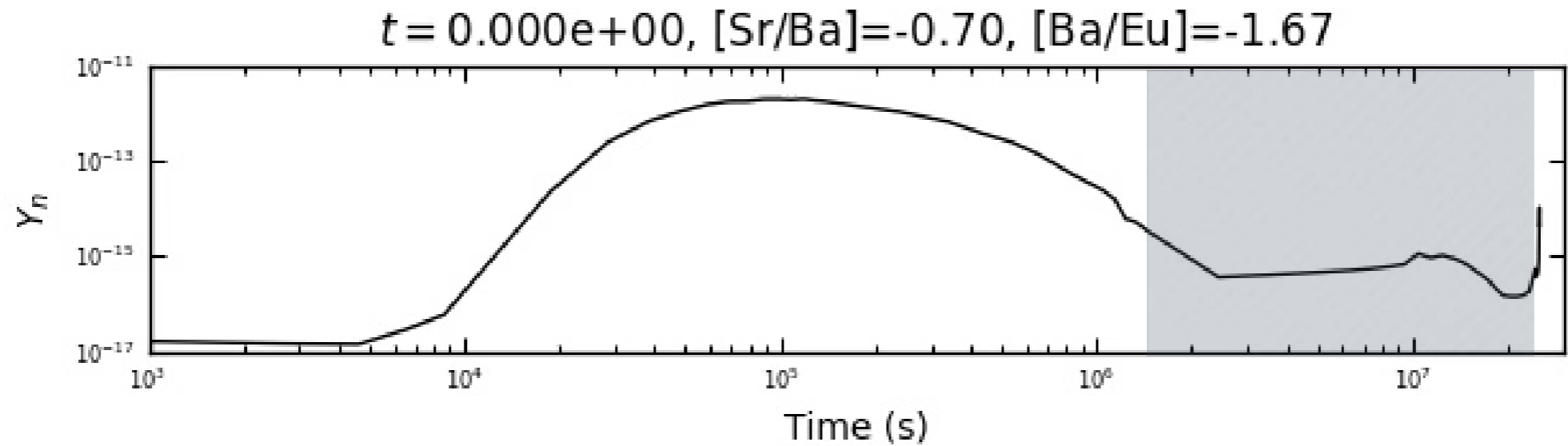
Single proton ingestion

neutron via  $^{12}\text{C}(p, \gamma)^{13}\text{N}(e^+ \nu_e)^{13}\text{C}(\alpha, n)^{16}\text{O}$

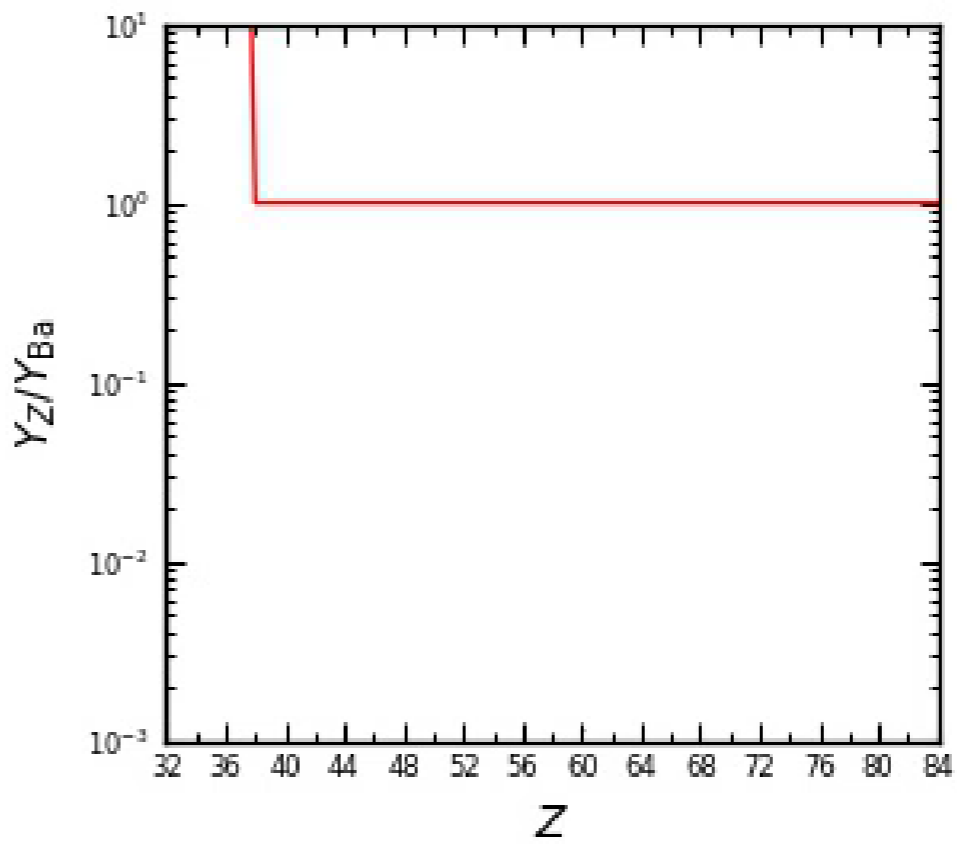
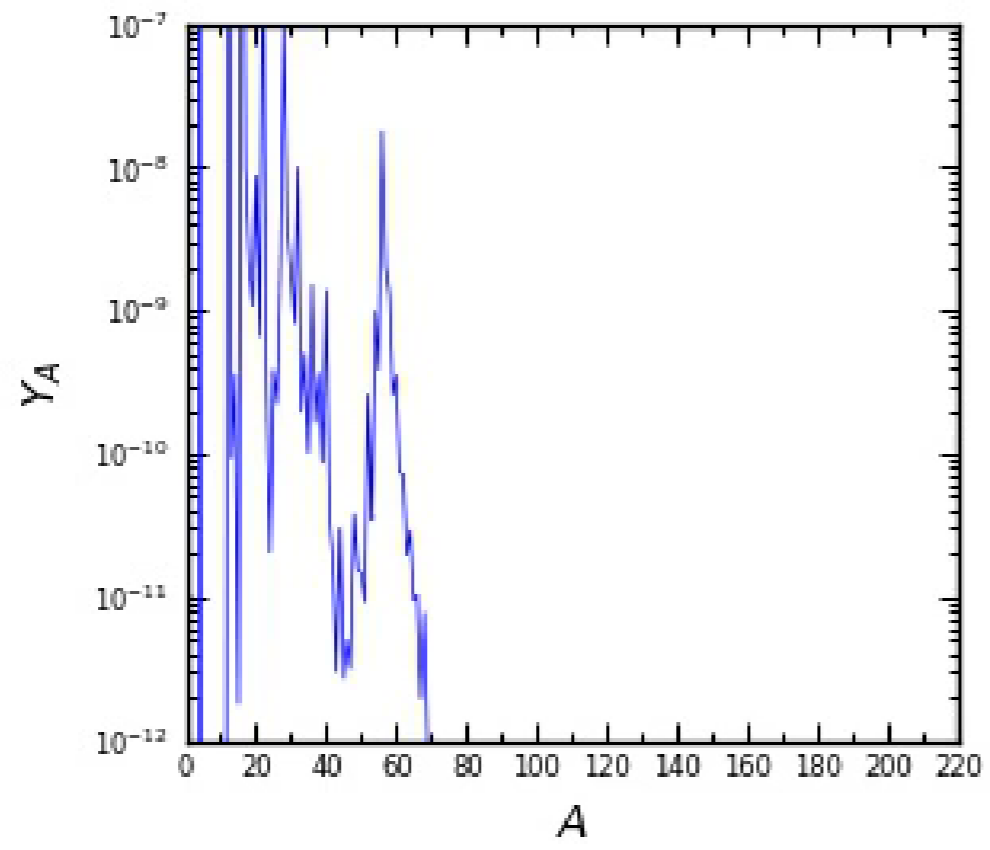
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- Mixing timescale  $\sim 5 \times 10^3$  s.
- Initially  $Y_n$  increases on a timescale of  $\sim 10^4$  s.
- Then  $Y_n$  decreases on a timescale of  $\sim 10^5$  s.
- Most of the neutrons captured by  $^{16}\text{O}$ .
- Primary neutron production

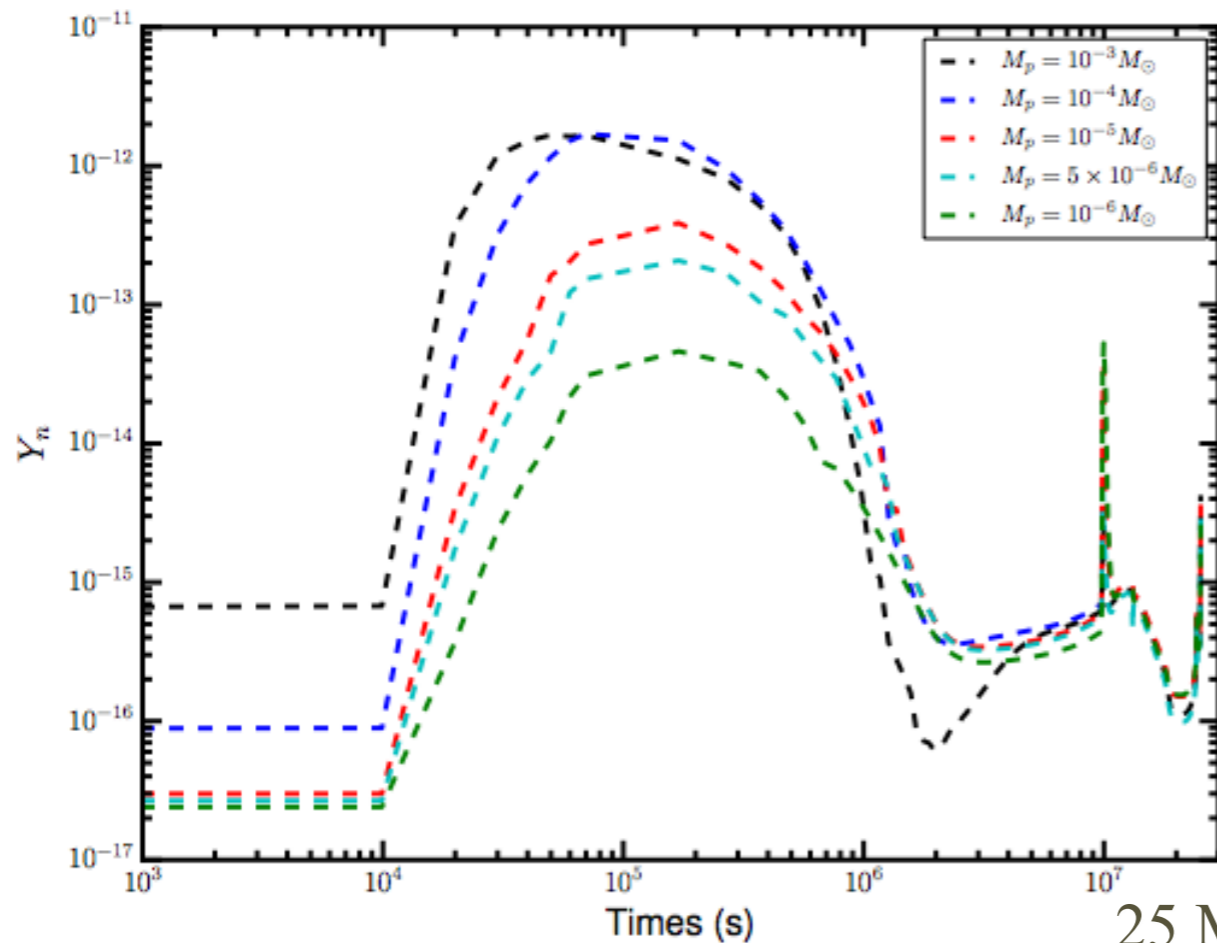


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 $25 M_\odot$ ,  $[Z] = -3$

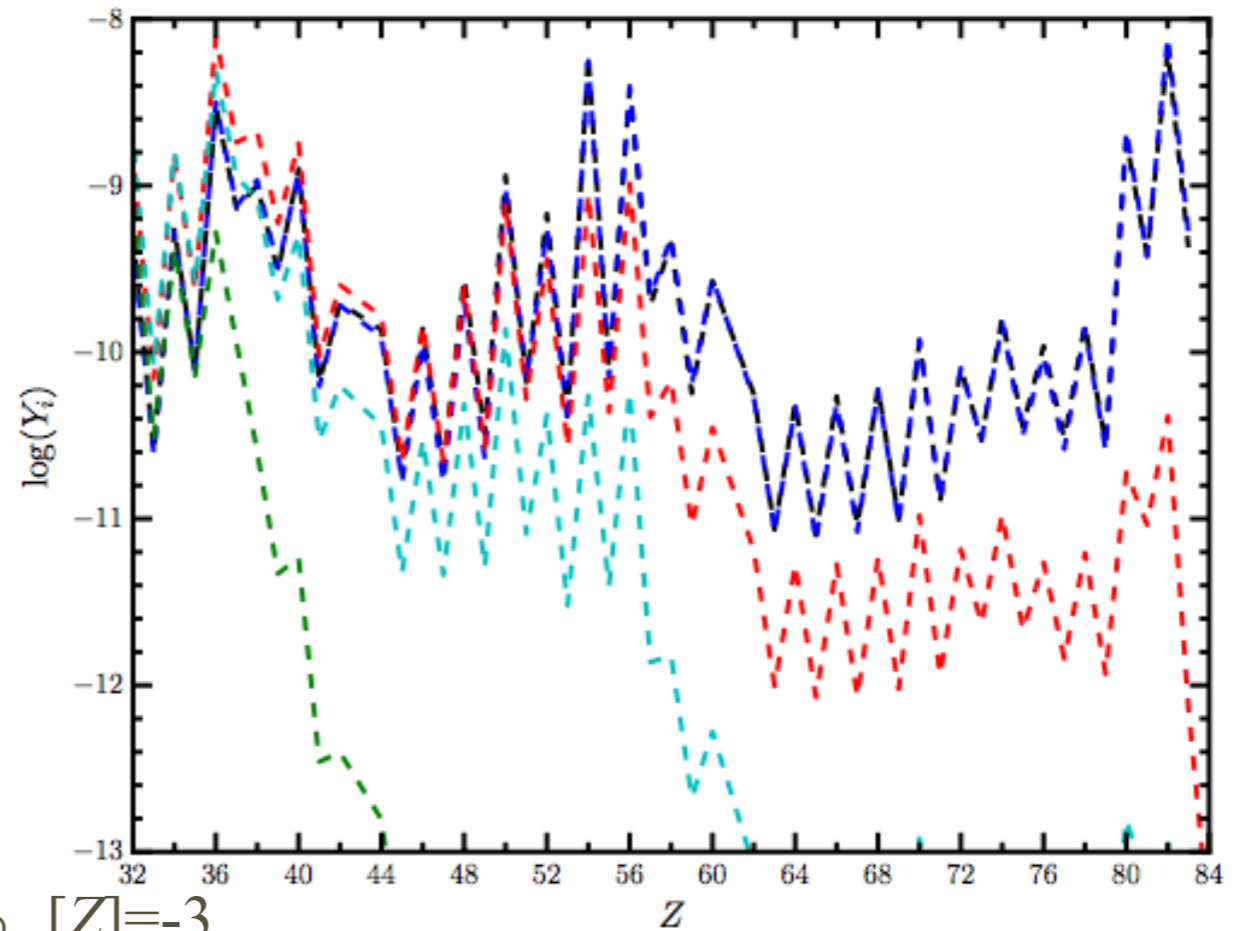


- Most of the neutron capture occurs in the first  $\sim 10^6$  s.
- Can result in both i-process and s-process.
- Final  $[\text{Ba}/\text{Eu}]$  depends on time available  $\Delta$  for neutron capture.
- $[\text{Ba}/\text{Eu}]$  can vary from  $\sim 0.25$  to  $1$  with  $[\text{Ba}/\text{Eu}] < 0.6$  ( $> 0.6$ ) for  $\Delta < 10^6$  s ( $> 10^6$  s)

# Effect of Amount of Proton Ingestion

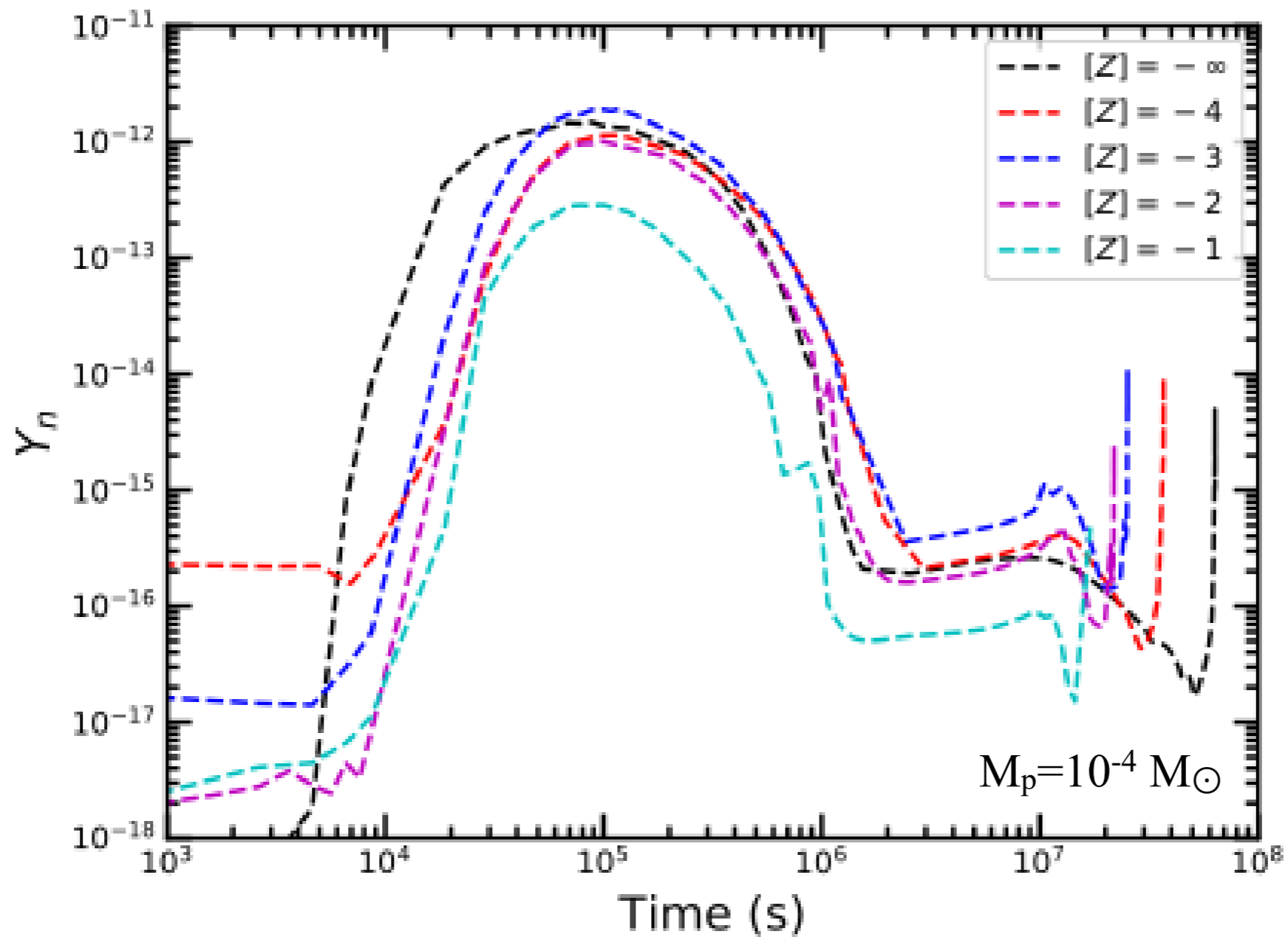


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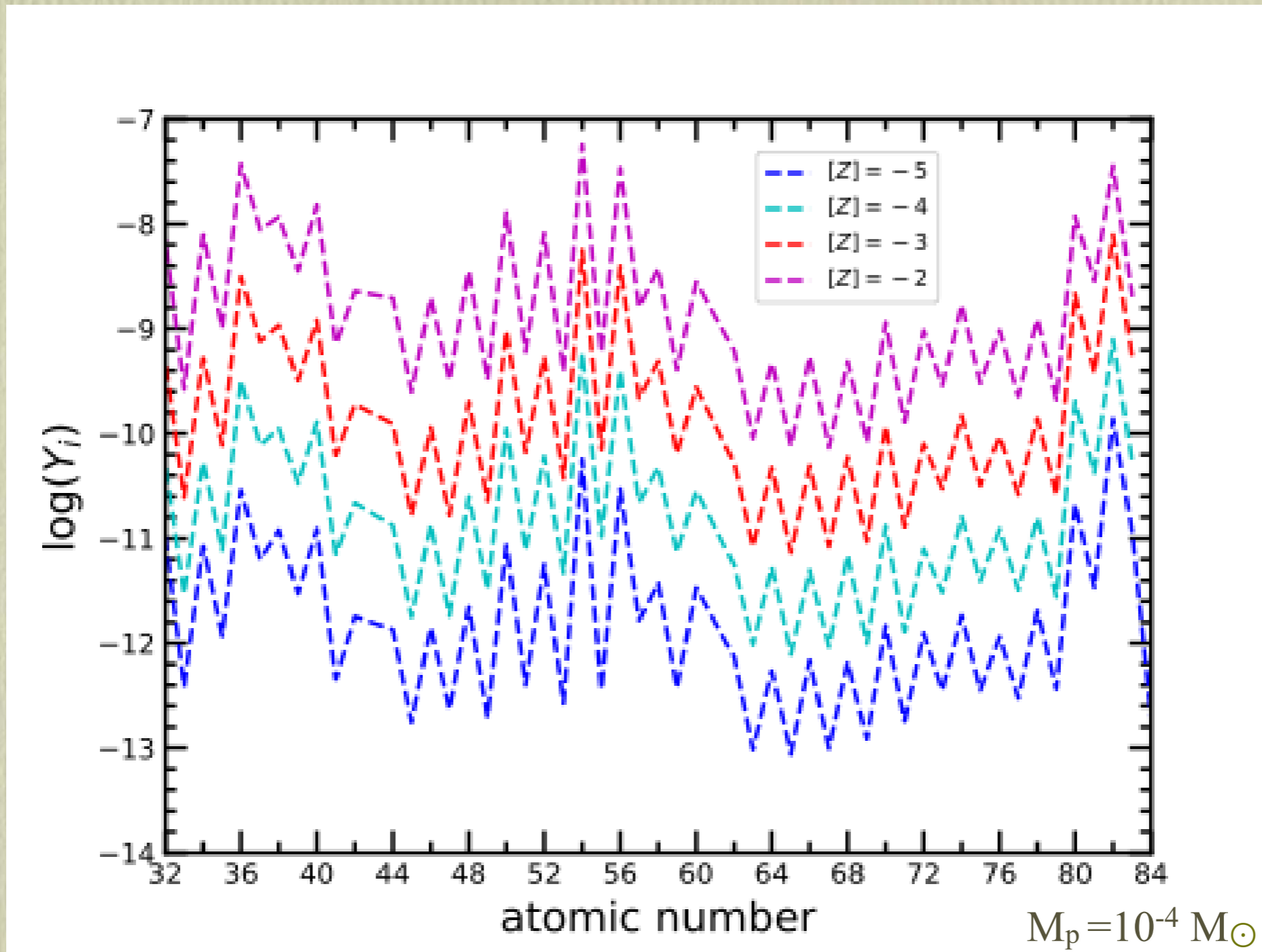
- Neutron abundance depends on the amount of p ingestion.
- Production up to Bi for  $10^{-3} \gtrsim M_p \gtrsim 10^{-5} M_\odot$   $-1.30 \lesssim [\text{Sr}/\text{Ba}] \lesssim -0.5$ .
- For  $10^{-6} M_\odot \lesssim M_p \lesssim 10^{-5} M_\odot$  production up to Ba, high  $[\text{Sr}/\text{Ba}] > 0$ .
- Negligible neutron capture for  $M_p < 10^{-6} M_\odot$ .

# Effect of Progenitor Metallicity



Neutron abundance similar for  $[Z] \lesssim -2$  ( $^{16}\text{O}$  main poison)  
 $[Z] \gtrsim -2$  other poisons important.

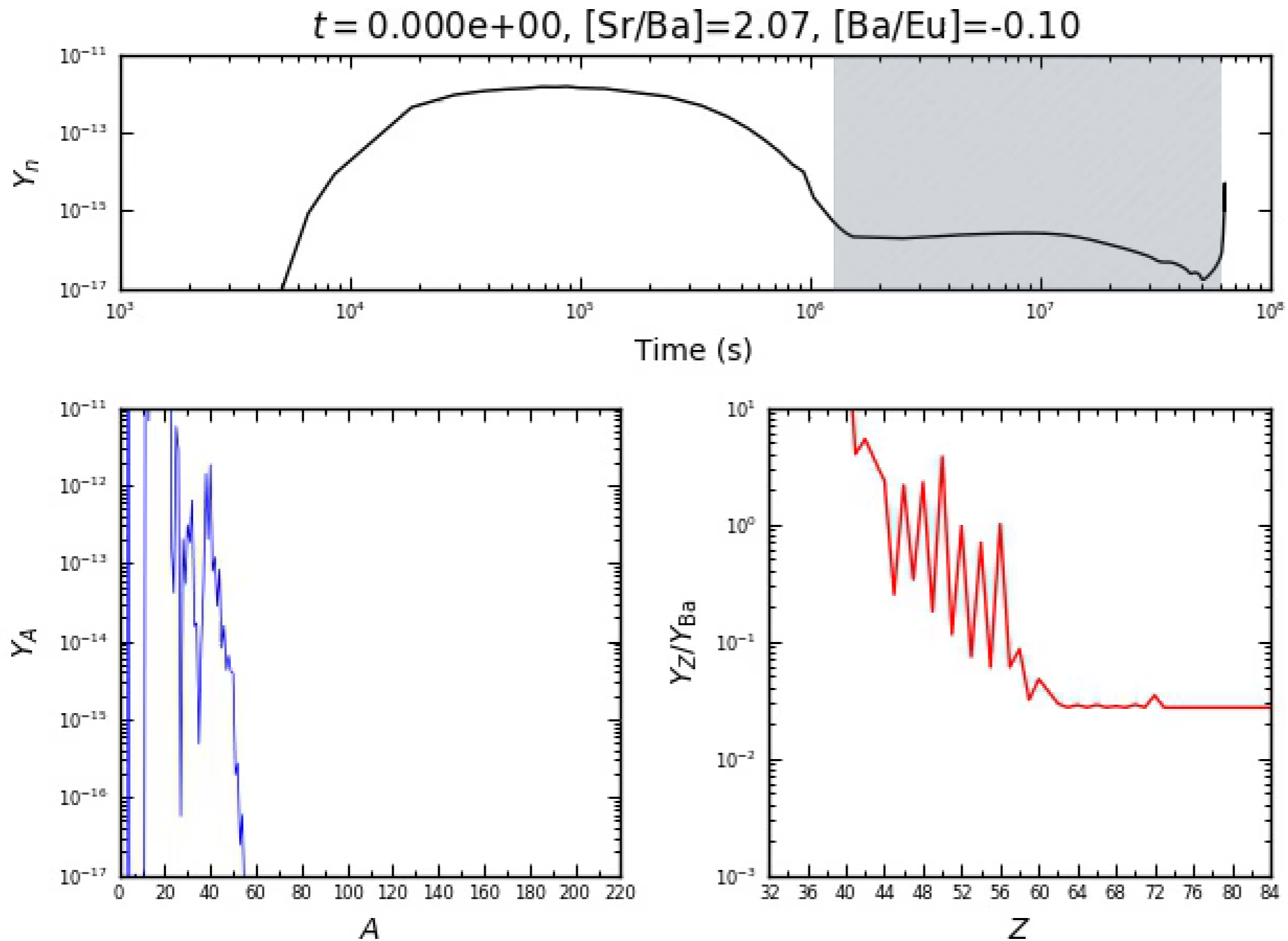
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Yield scales linearly with the amount of seeds available.  
Increases rapidly for  $[Z] \gtrsim -4$

What about Pop III stars? Seeds??

# Metal-Free Progenitors

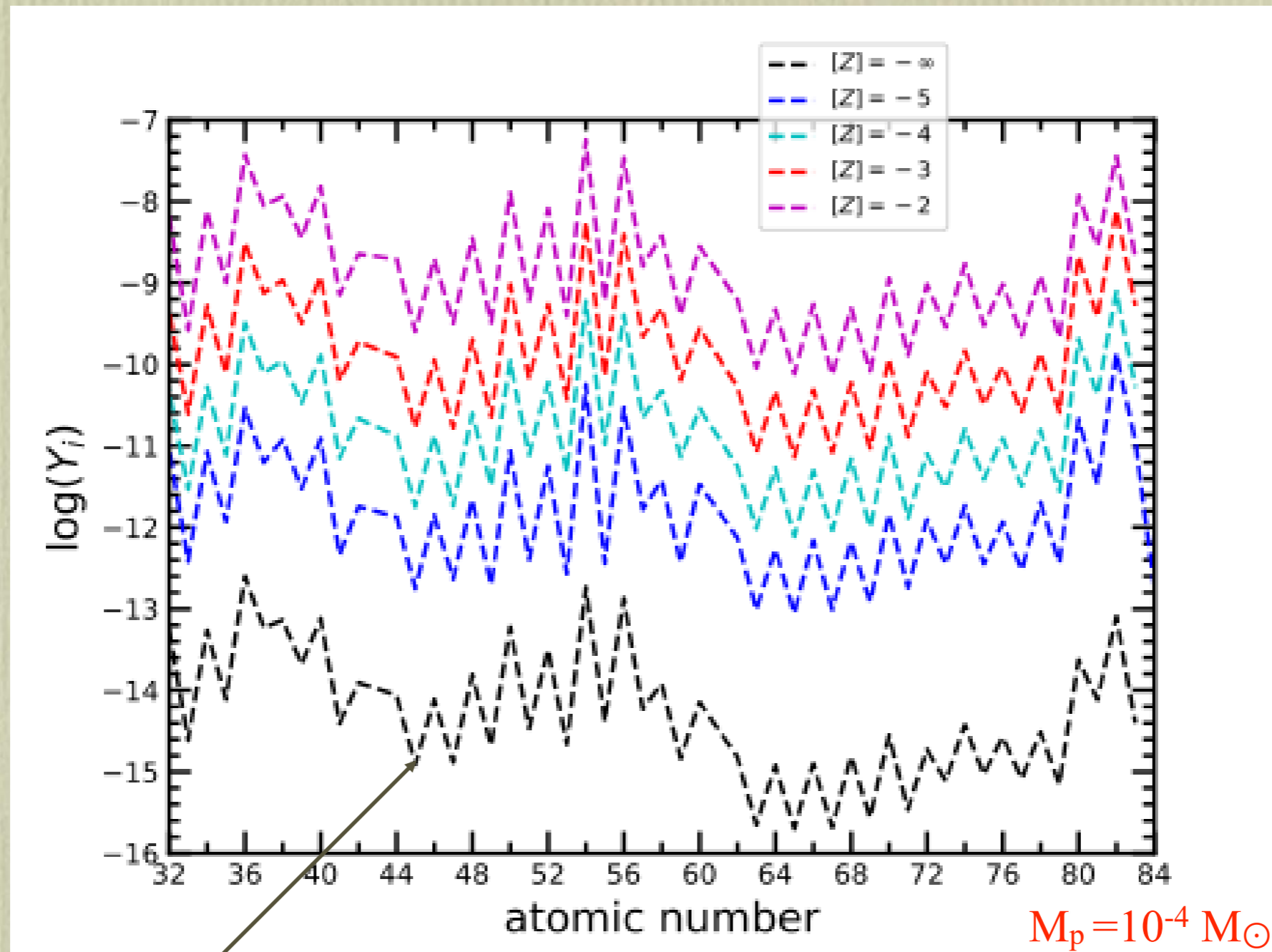


$$M_p = 10^{-4} M_\odot$$

$$25 M_\odot, [Z] = -\infty$$

- Neutron capture from primary  $^{40-48}\text{Ca}$  and  $^{46-50}\text{Ti}$ .
- Hampered by additional  $N=20, 28$  neutron magic numbers.
- Overall yield limited by very low initial  $^{40-48}\text{Ca}, \text{Ti}$ .
- Much of the seeds remain unused while new seeds are made.
- Can be used in subsequent ingestions.

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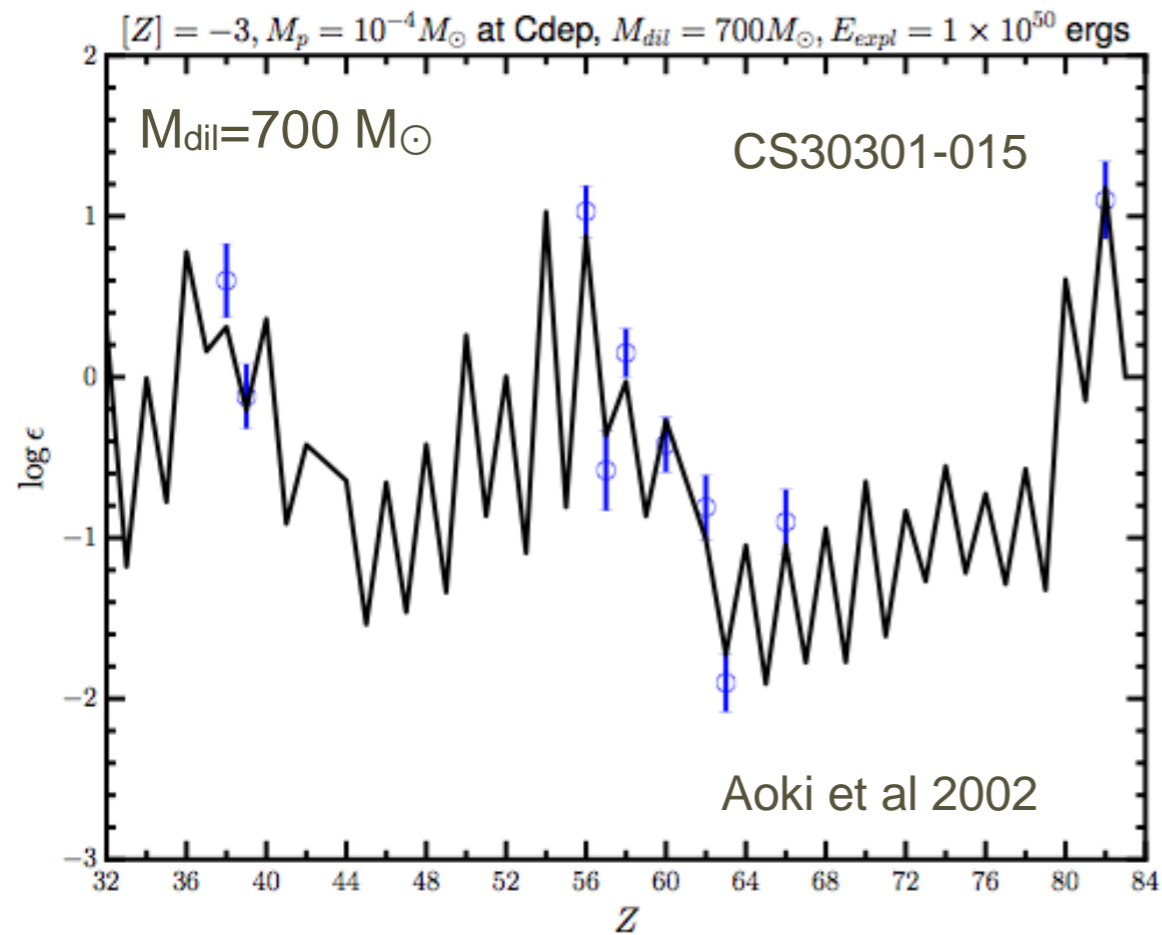


Metal-free progenitors:  $\log \epsilon(\text{Ba}) \sim -5$  to  $-3$  for  $M_{\text{dil}} \sim 10^2 - 10^4 M_\odot$ .

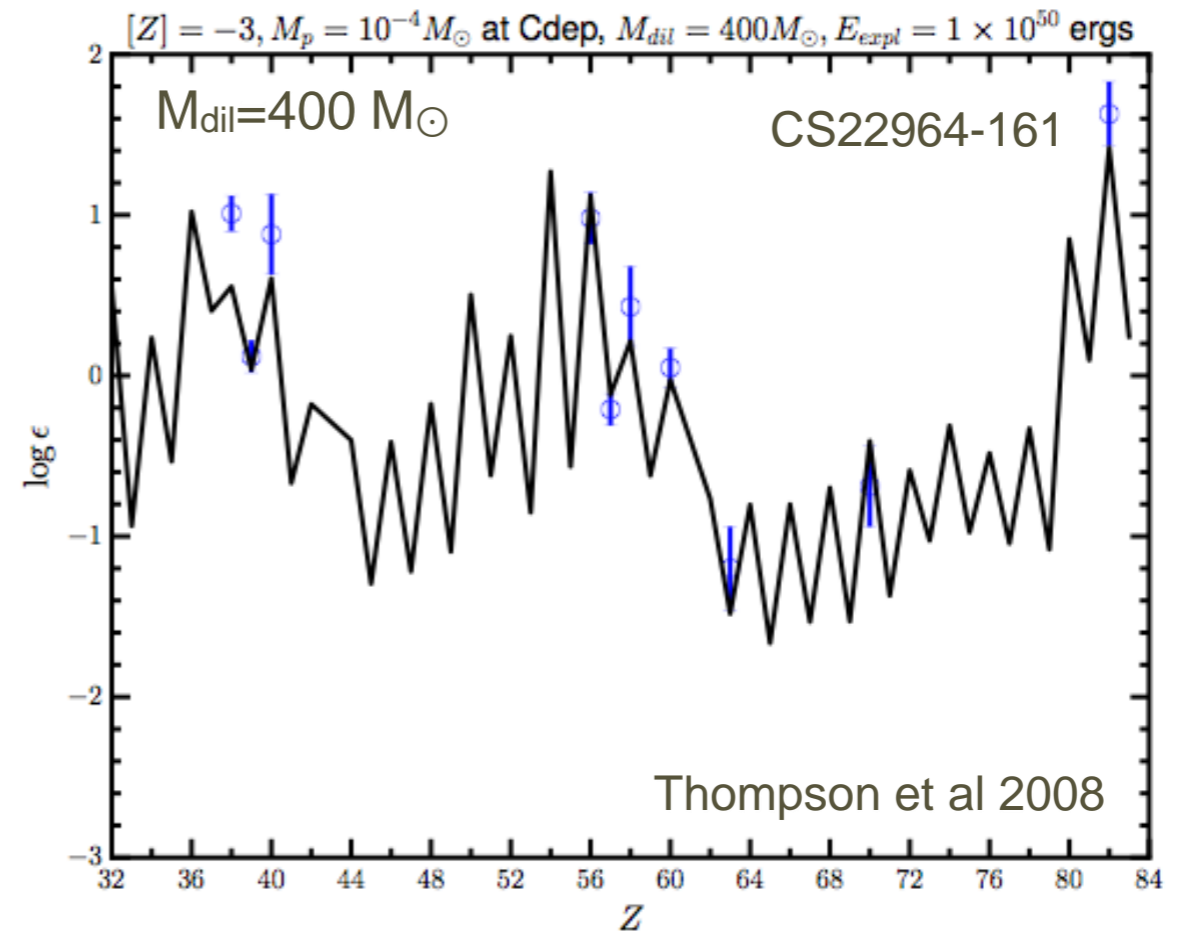
$[Z] \lesssim -2$ :  $\log \epsilon(\text{Ba})$  of up to  $\sim 2.5$  for  $M_{\text{dil}} \gtrsim 10^2 M_\odot$ .



# Diversity: Comparison with Observations



Single CEMP-s star

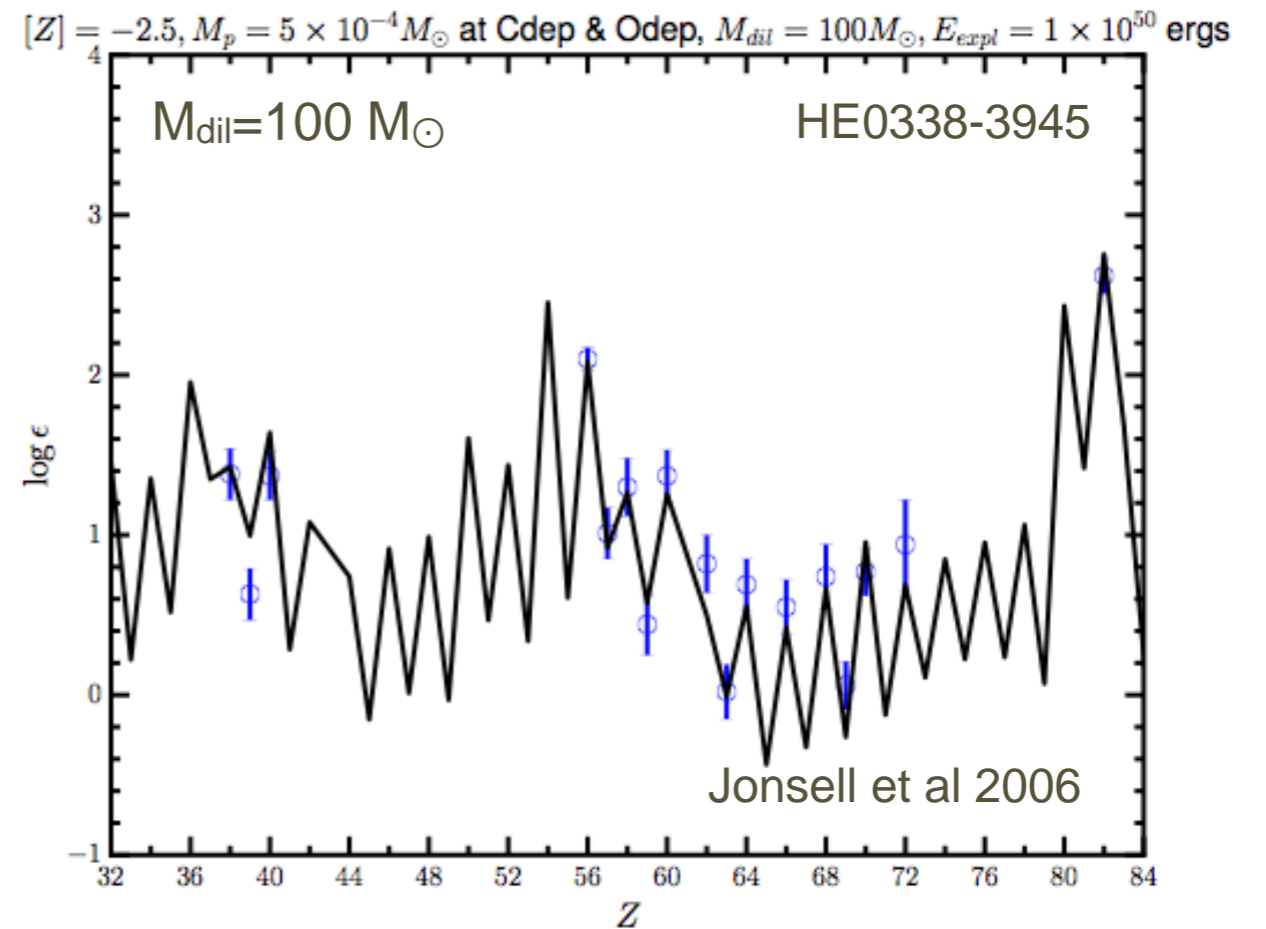
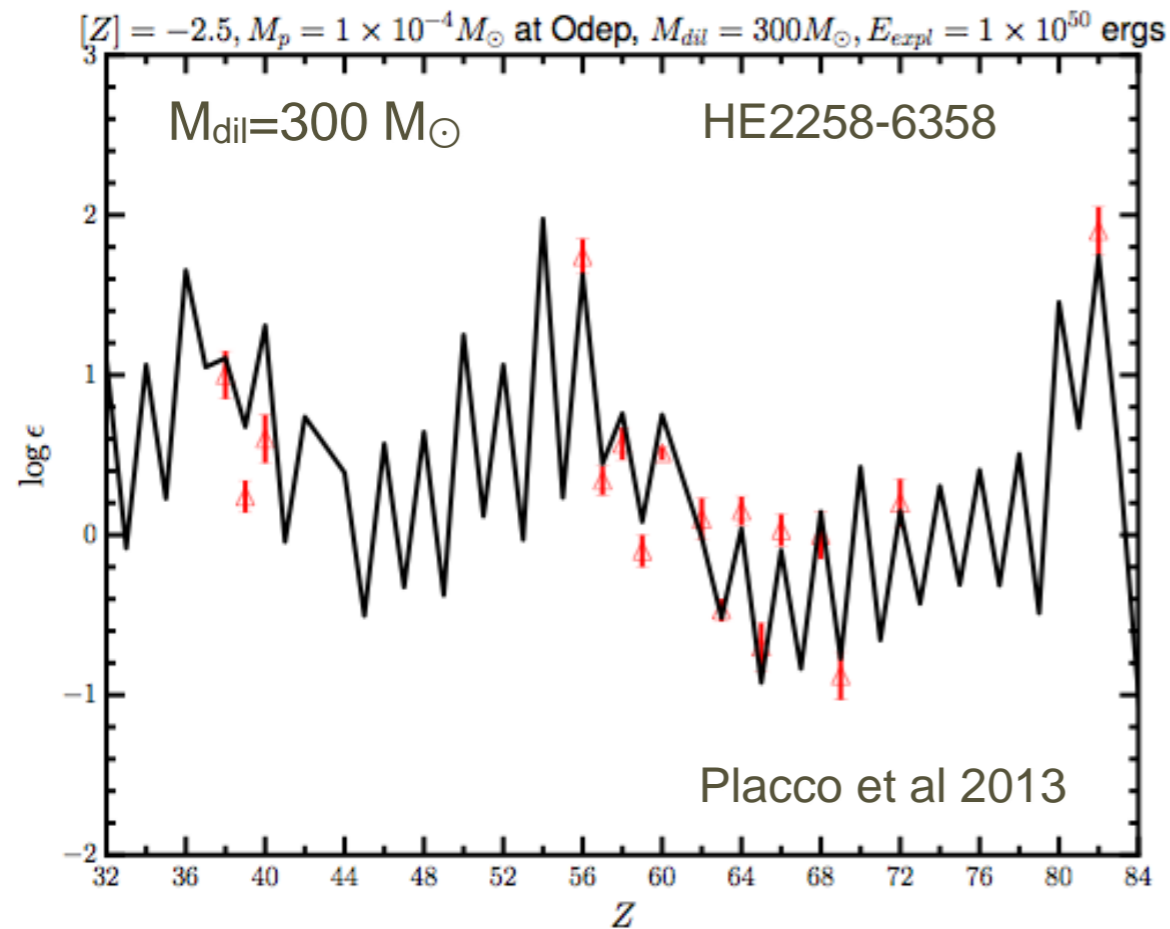


Binary system of CEMP-s star  
No sign of third component

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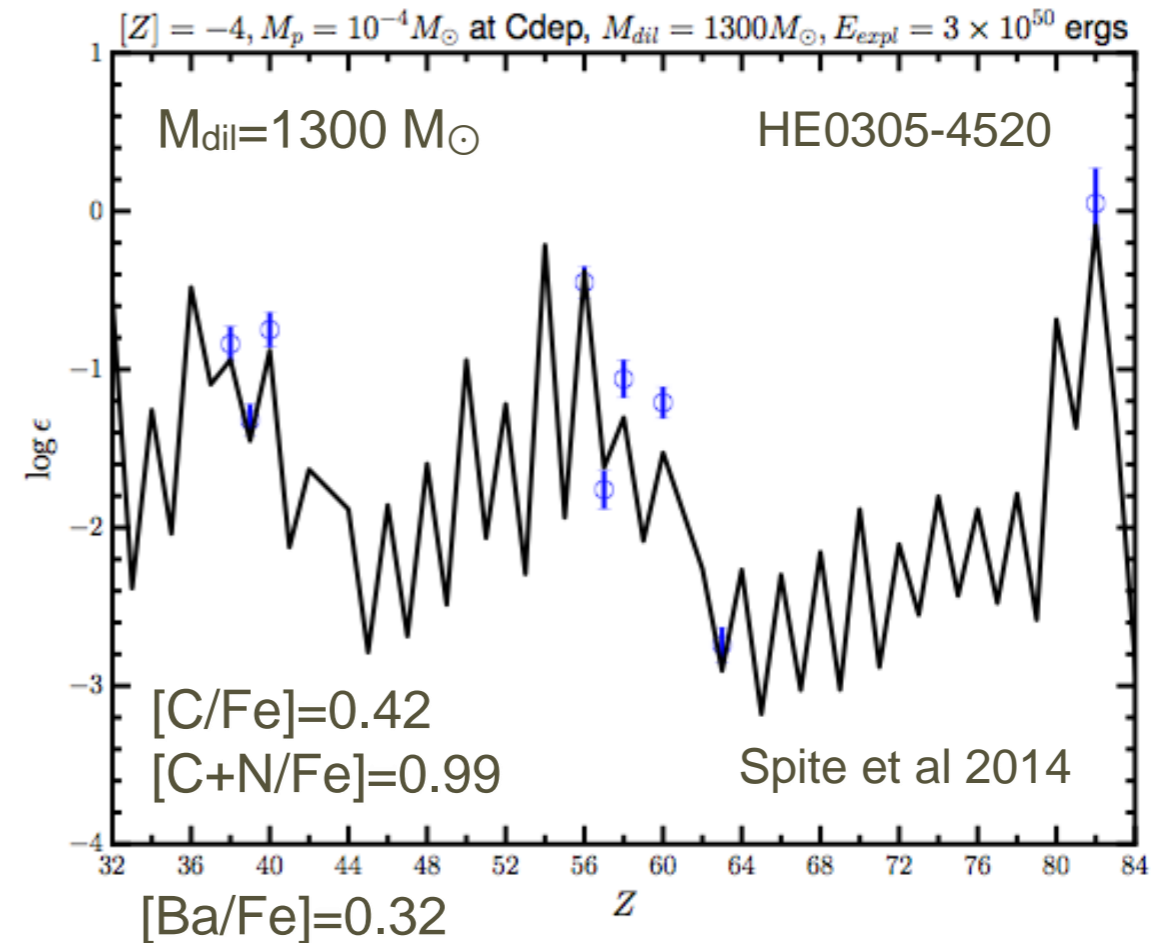
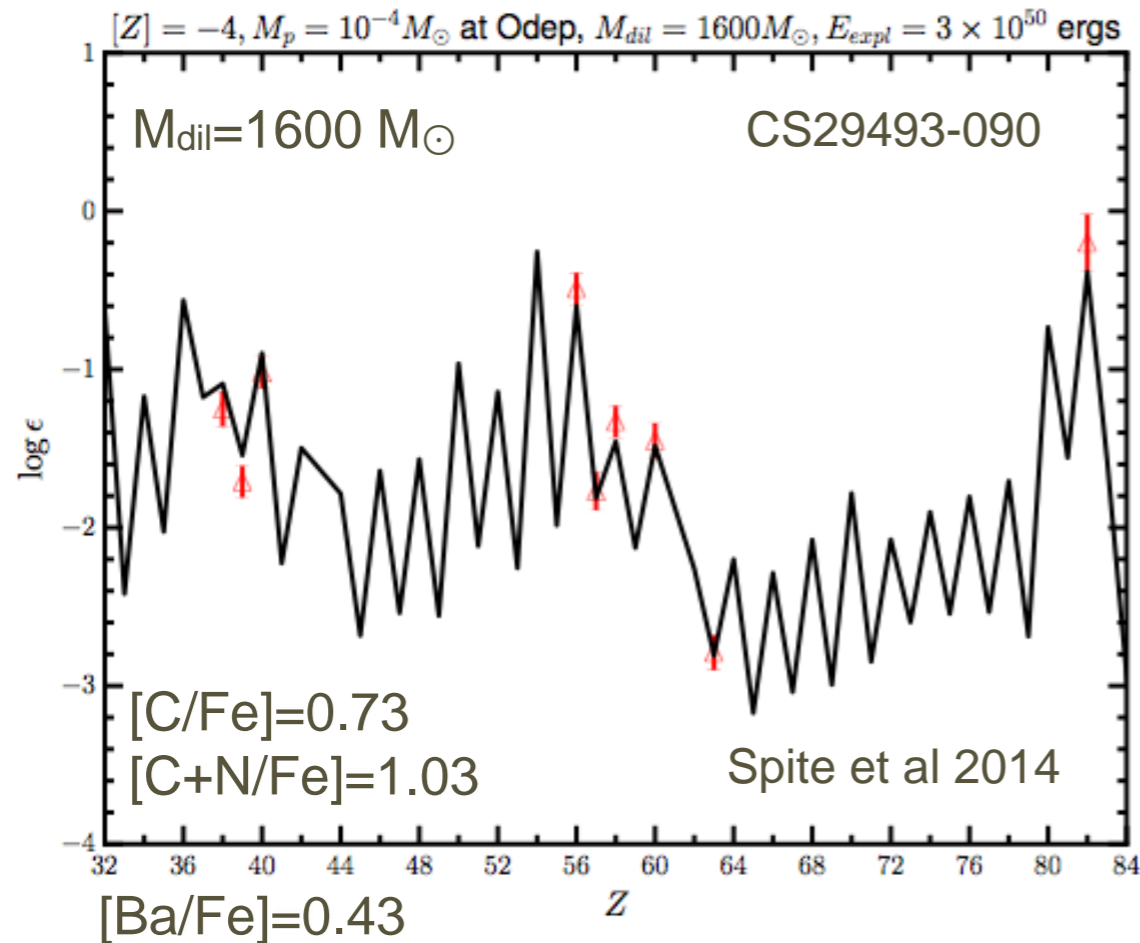


CEMP-r/s star

Proton ingestion  $\lesssim 10^6$  s before collapse

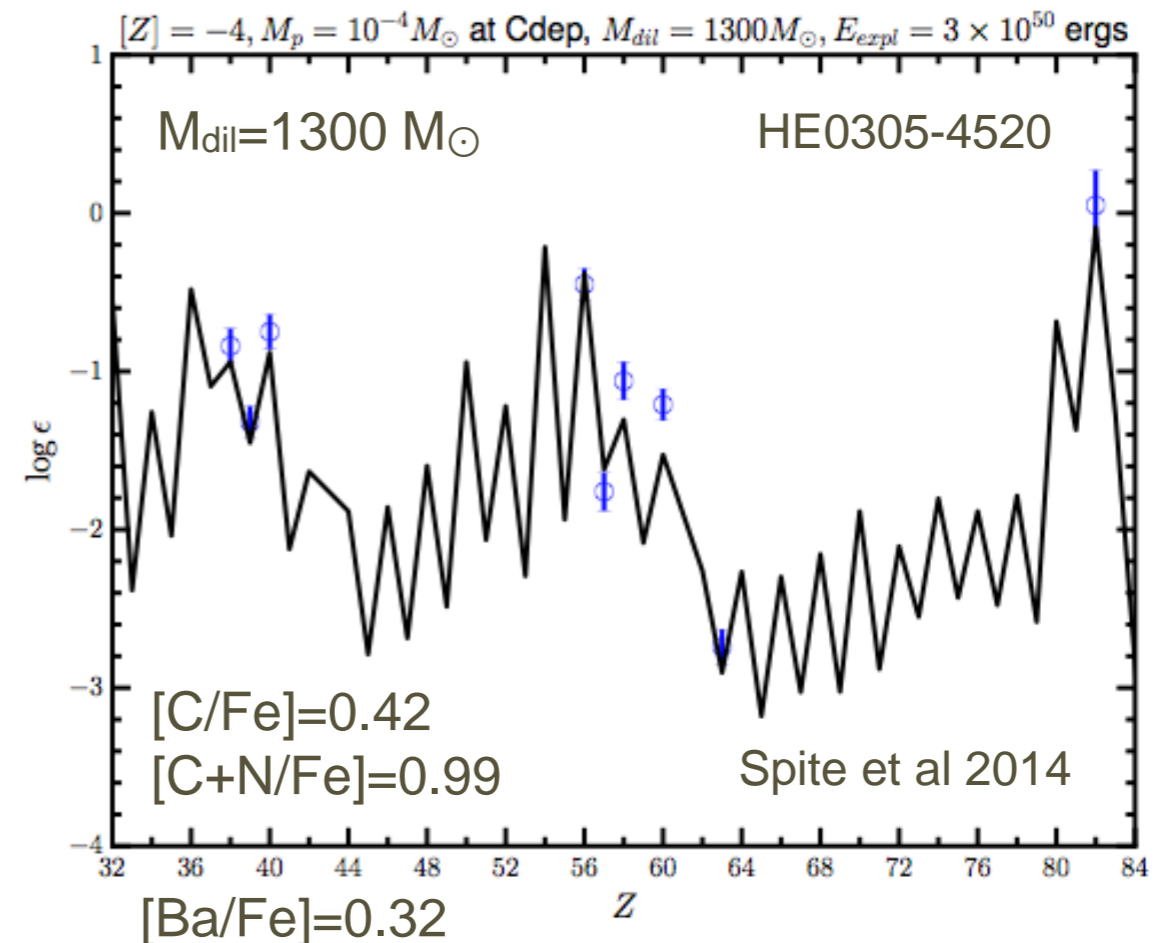
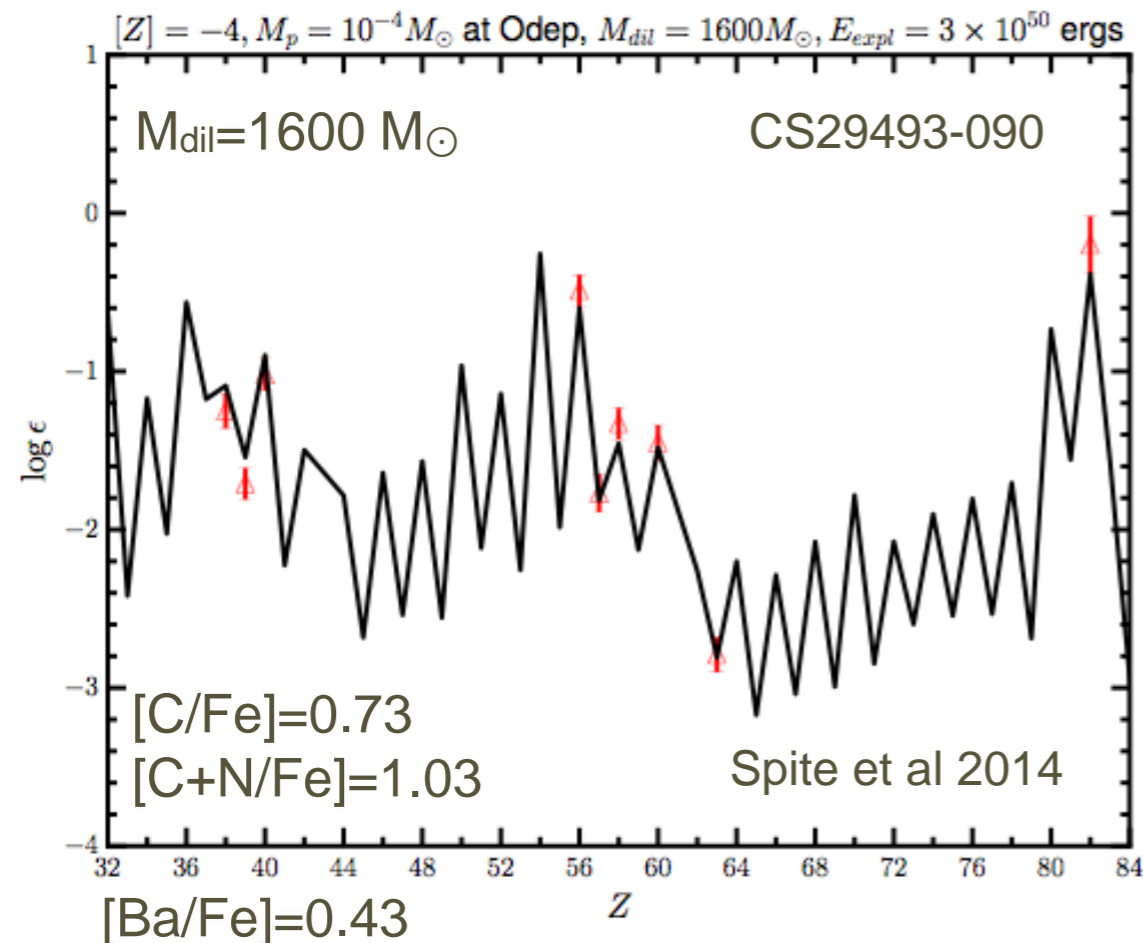
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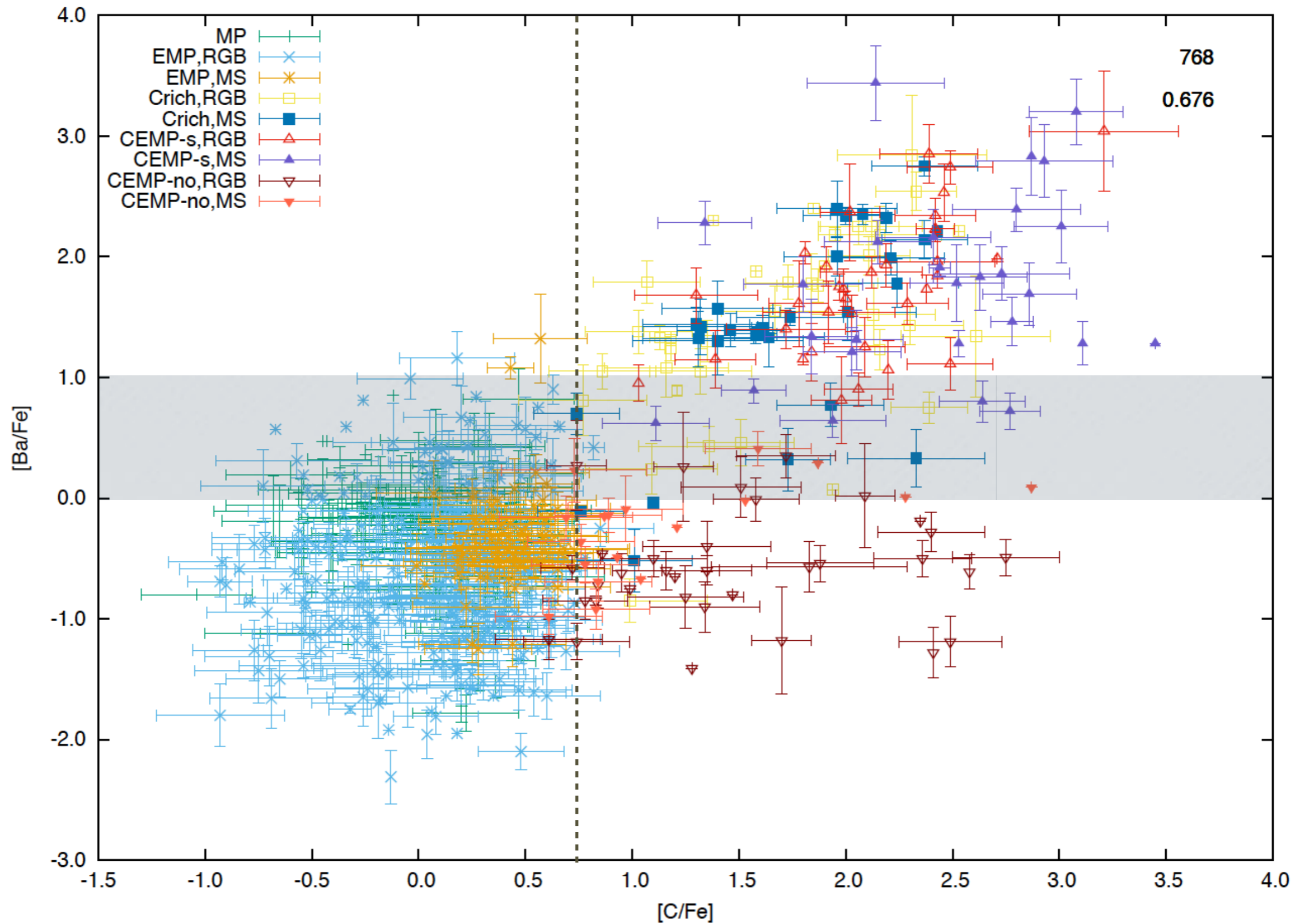
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For a fixed  $[Z]$ , dilution controls the overall enhancement



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# Summary

- We identified a new site for synthesis of neutron-capture elements in metal-poor stars with  $20 M_{\odot} \lesssim M \lesssim 30 M_{\odot}$  including primordial stars.
- Neutron capture occurs during the last phases of massive stars when protons are ingested at the boundary of a fully convective He shell.
- Neutron production is primary whereas neutron capture is secondary in progenitors with initial metals.
- Neutron production and capture is primary in primordial metal-free stars.
- Can explain the ubiquity of neutron capture elements Sr and Ba observed in EMP stars.
- Can explain the early deviation of [Ba/Eu] from pure r-process value.
- Can be the source s-process elements in the early Galaxy.
- Excellent fit to individual abundance patterns of several CEMP-s, CEMP-r/s, low-s stars.
- Points to a common source for some of the CEMP-s, CEMP-r/s and CEMP-no stars.
- Can be useful in constraining the IMF of Pop II and Pop III stars.
- Neutron capture is efficient up to  $[Z] \sim -1$ , can produce more Sr than weak-s process.
- Mixing with initial r-process enriched ISM could explain other EMP stars.
- Could be processed further by AGB stars initially enriched by this mechanism.