

Excessively High (Fe/O)  
in Extremely Metal-Poor Galaxies (EMPGs)  
Suggestive of Hypernovae (HNe) and/or  
Pair-Instability Supernovae (PISNe)

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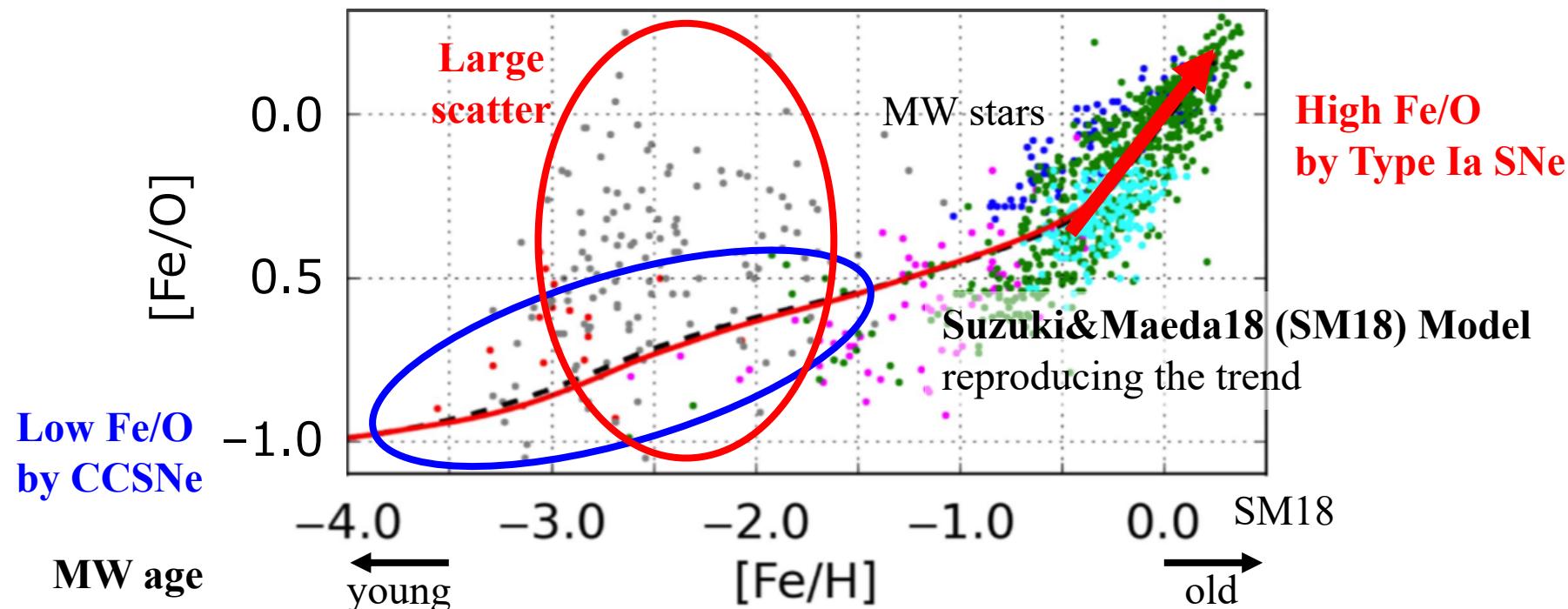


# Metal enrichment with age

Milky Way (MW) star: Monotonical increase in Fe/O with Fe/H

O: Massive ( $\sim 9\text{--}100 M_{\odot}$ ) stars via core-collapse SNe (CCSNe)

Fe: Low-mass ( $\lesssim 9 M_{\odot}$ ) stars via Type Ia SNe



→ Fe/O serves as a **cosmic clock**

↔ Applicable for galaxies in the early formation phase?

# Local early galaxy

## Extremely metal-poor galaxy (**EMPG**)

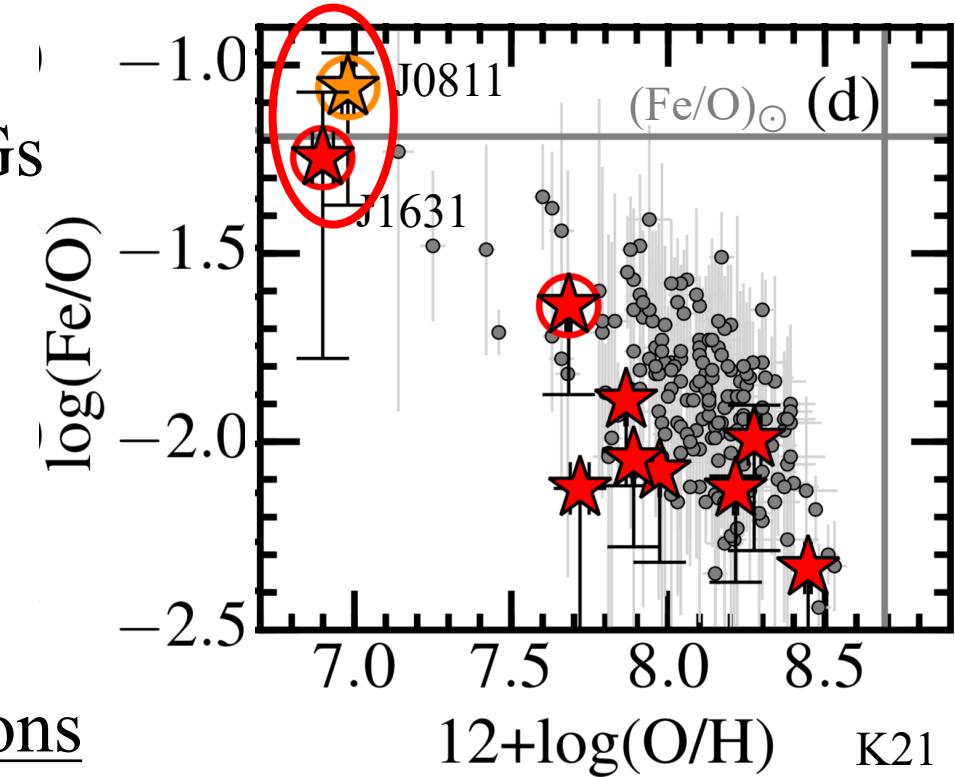
- Galaxy with  $\text{O/H} \leq 10\% (\text{O/H})_{\odot}$ , low  $M_*$  ( $10^6\text{--}10^9 M_{\odot}$ )

→ In the **early formation phase**

- Kojima+21: High Fe/O  $\sim (\text{Fe/O})_{\odot}$  in 2 EMPGs

↔ Contradictory to the cosmic clock scenario

Very massive stars? (K21)



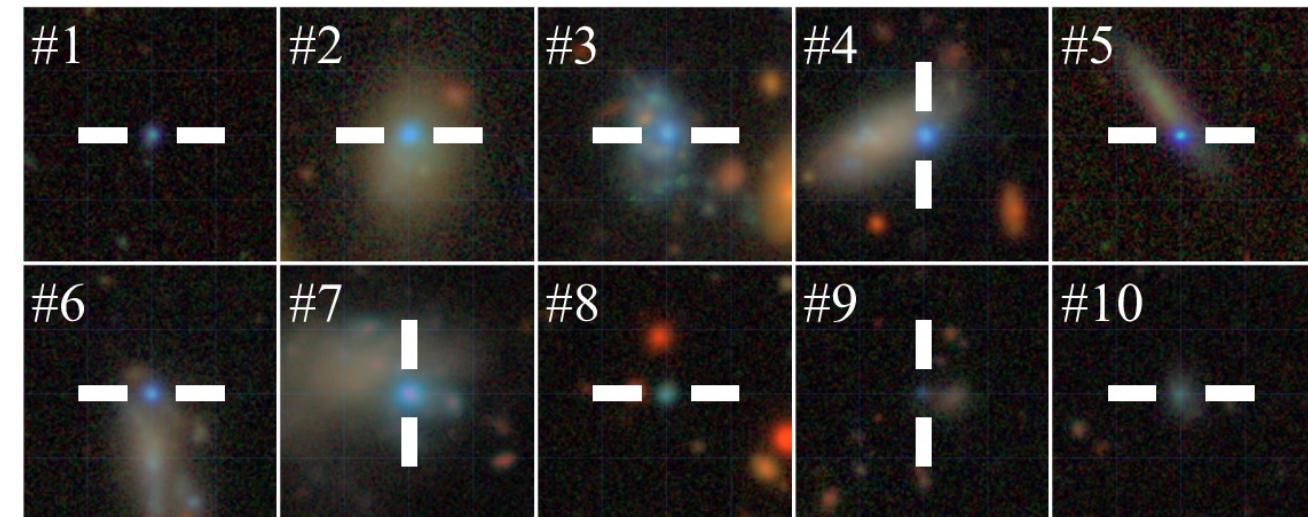
## Goals of this study

- To identify more EMPGs with Fe line detections
- To revisit the origin of Fe/O enhancements of EMPGs

# Spec. follow-up observations

## Target

13 from **faint** ( $i = 19\text{--}24$ ) photometric EMPG candidates  
selected from HSC-SSP (Kojima+20)

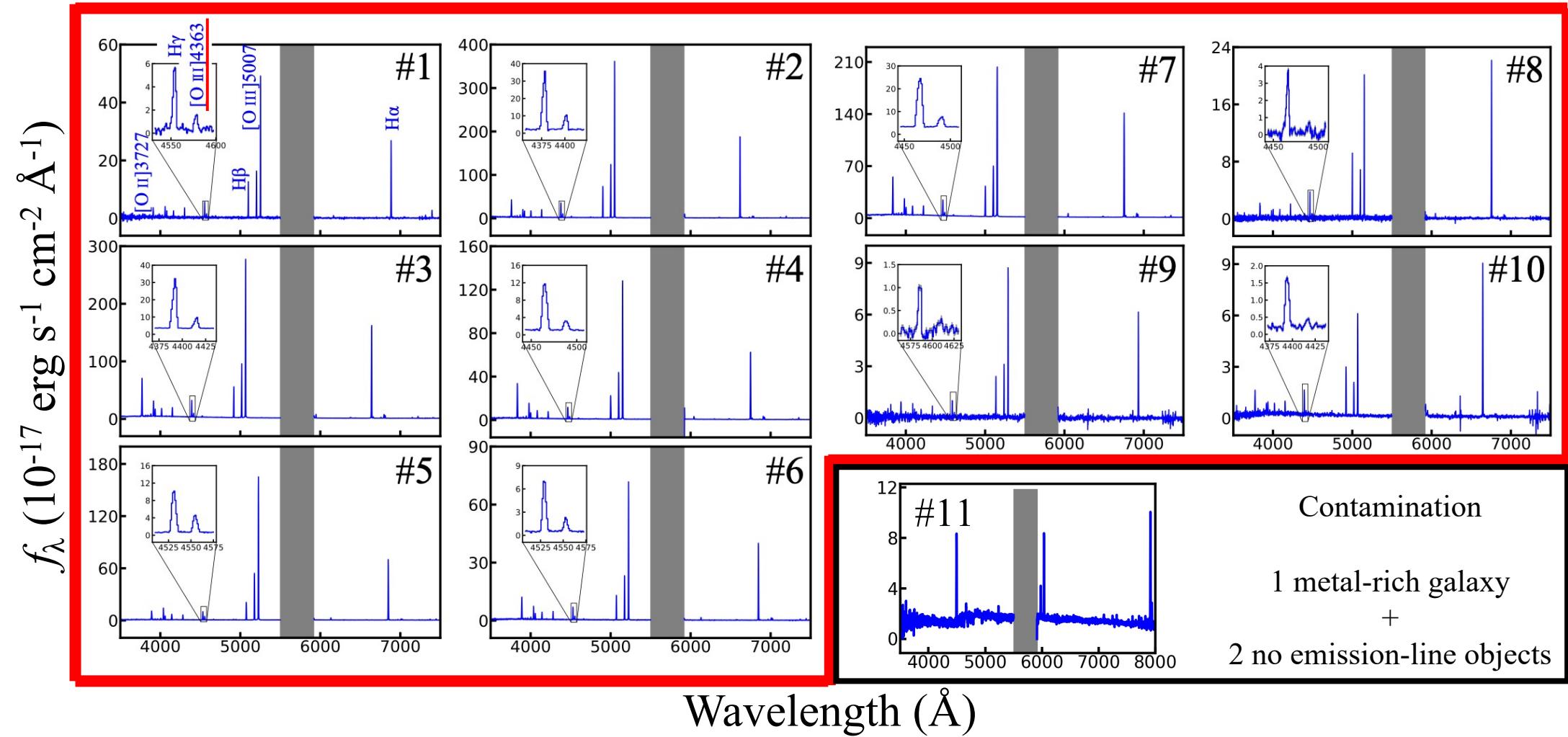


## Spectrograph

Keck/Low Resolution Imaging Spectrograph  
**(LRIS)**

- Wide  $\lambda$  coverage ( $\sim 3000 - 9000 \text{ \AA}$ )
- **Deep** ( $F_{\text{lim},5\sigma} \sim 10^{-16} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ )

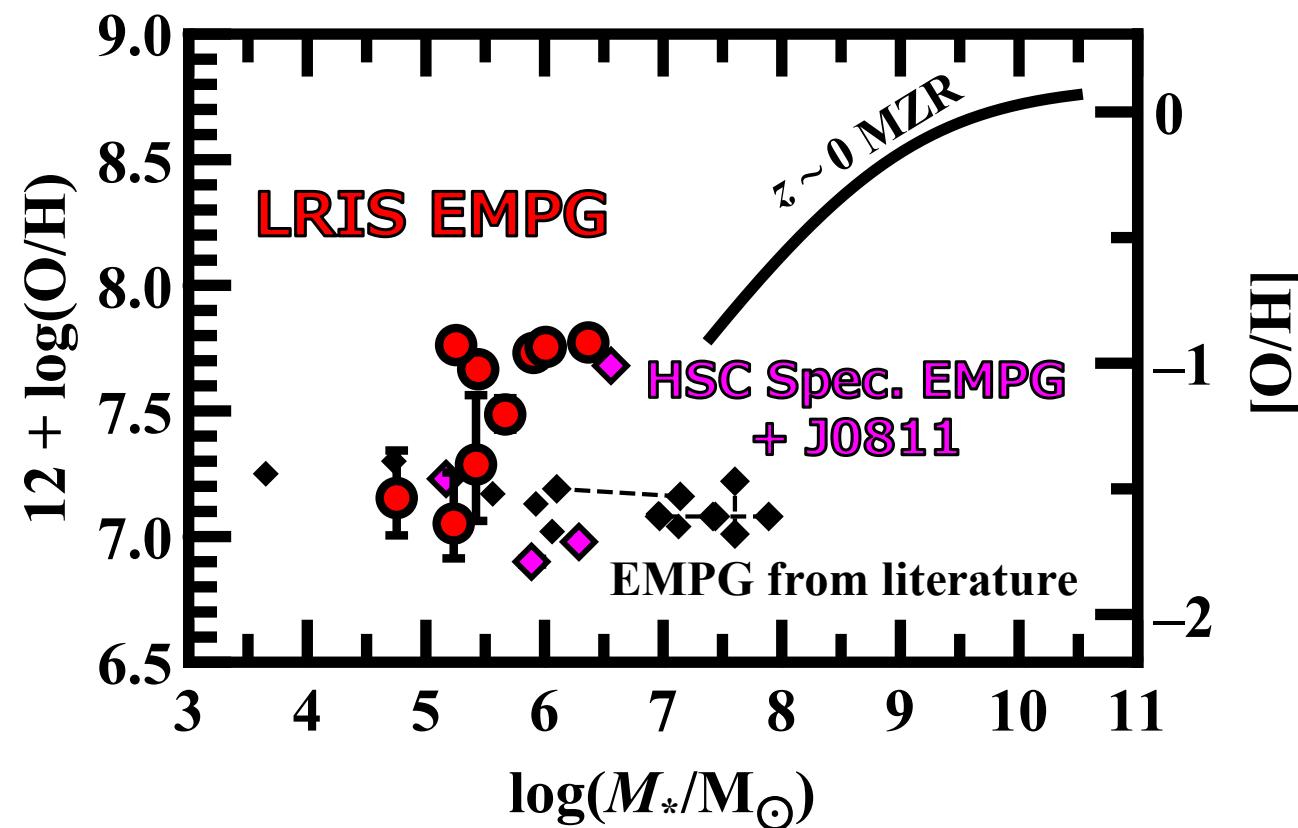
# Reduced spectra



10/13 are local young emission-line galaxies  
→ **EMPG candidates**

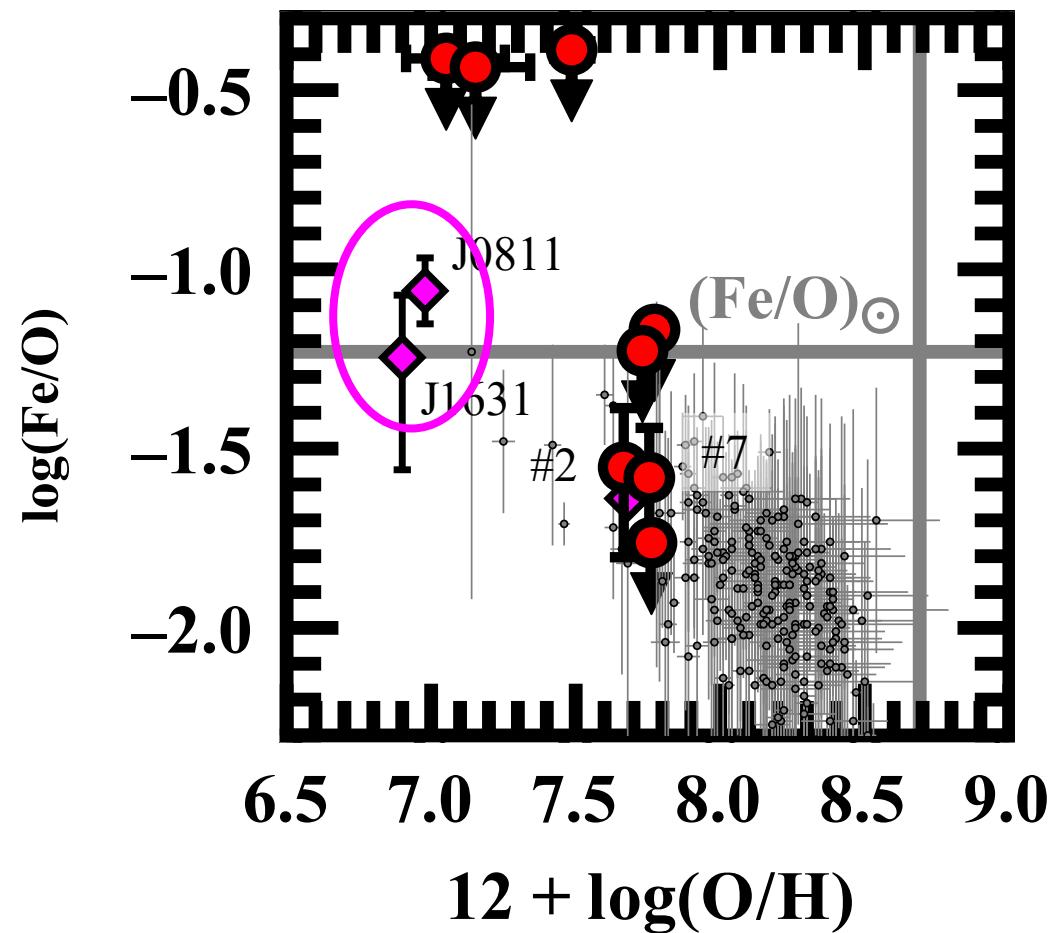
# Metallicity and $M_*$

- 9/10 of the EMPG candidates have  $\text{O/H} \lesssim 10\% (\text{O/H})_{\odot}$   
 → LRIS EMPGs
- $M_* = 5 \times 10^4 - 3 \times 10^6 M_{\odot}$   
 → Galaxies in the early formation phase



# O/H vs. Fe/O

- #2, 7:  $\log(\text{Fe}/\text{O}) \sim -1.6$
- ↔ J1631 and J0811: Very high Fe/O  $\sim (\text{Fe}/\text{O})_{\odot}$
- High Fe/O in younger EMPGs?



# Possible contributors

CCSN

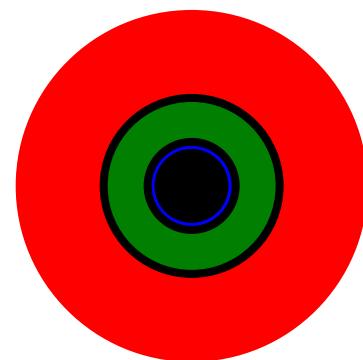
## Hypernova (HN)

Progenitor star  $\sim$  30–100  $M_{\odot}$

CCSN w/ high explosion energy

$\rightarrow$  Large  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  core

Around  
star core



$^{16}\text{O}$

$^{28}\text{Si}$

$^{56}\text{Ni} \rightarrow ^{56}\text{Fe}$

Remnant

Low Fe/O

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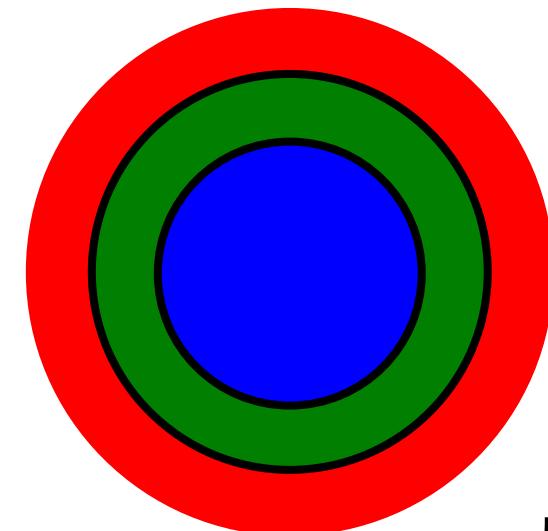
CCSN w/ high explosion energy

$\rightarrow$  Large  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  core

## Pair-instability SN (PISN)

Progenitor star  $\sim$  140–300  $M_{\odot}$

Leave no remnant

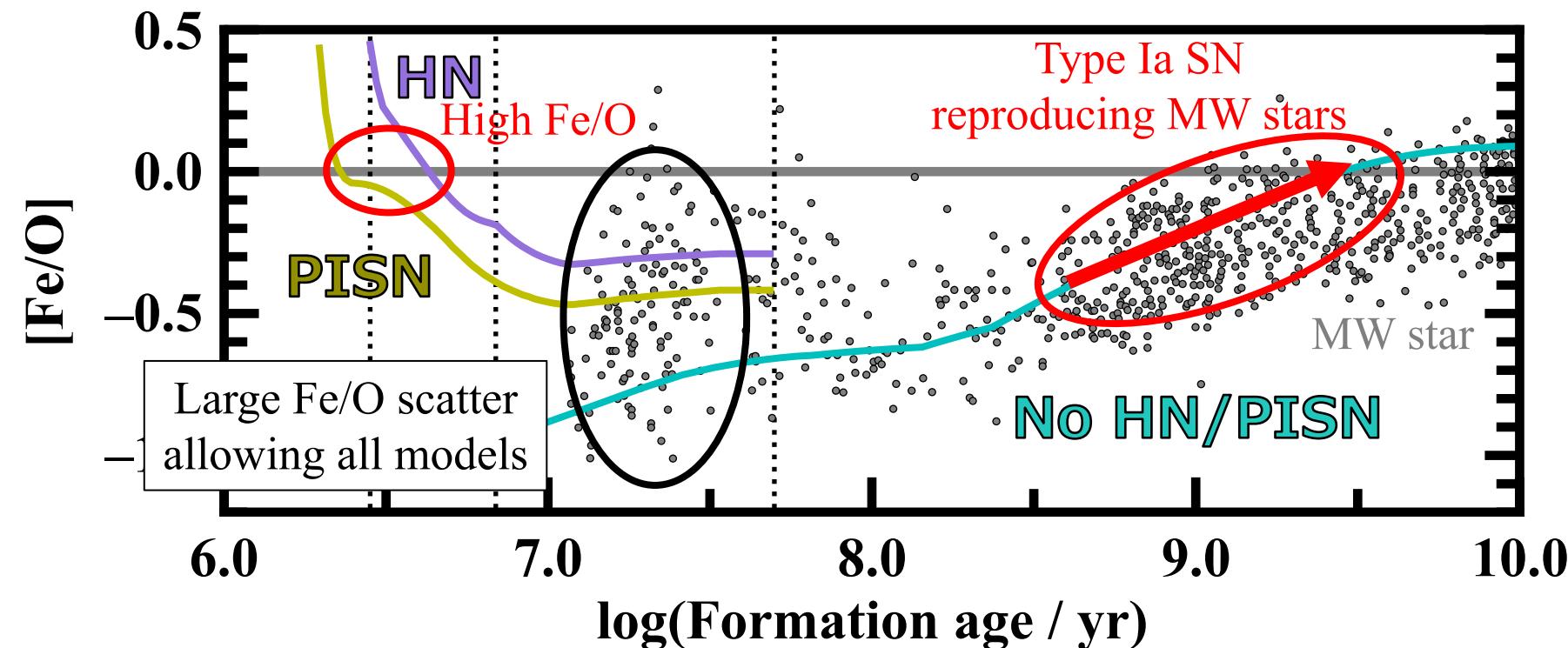


High Fe/O

Preferentially born in metal-poor environments

# Model construction

	$\leq 8 M_{\odot}$	$9-30 M_{\odot}$	$30-100 M_{\odot}$	$140-300 M_{\odot}$
No HN/PISN (SM18)	Type Ia SN	CCSN	CCSN	—
HN	—	CCSN	HN 20%	—
PISN	—	CCSN	CCSN	PISN

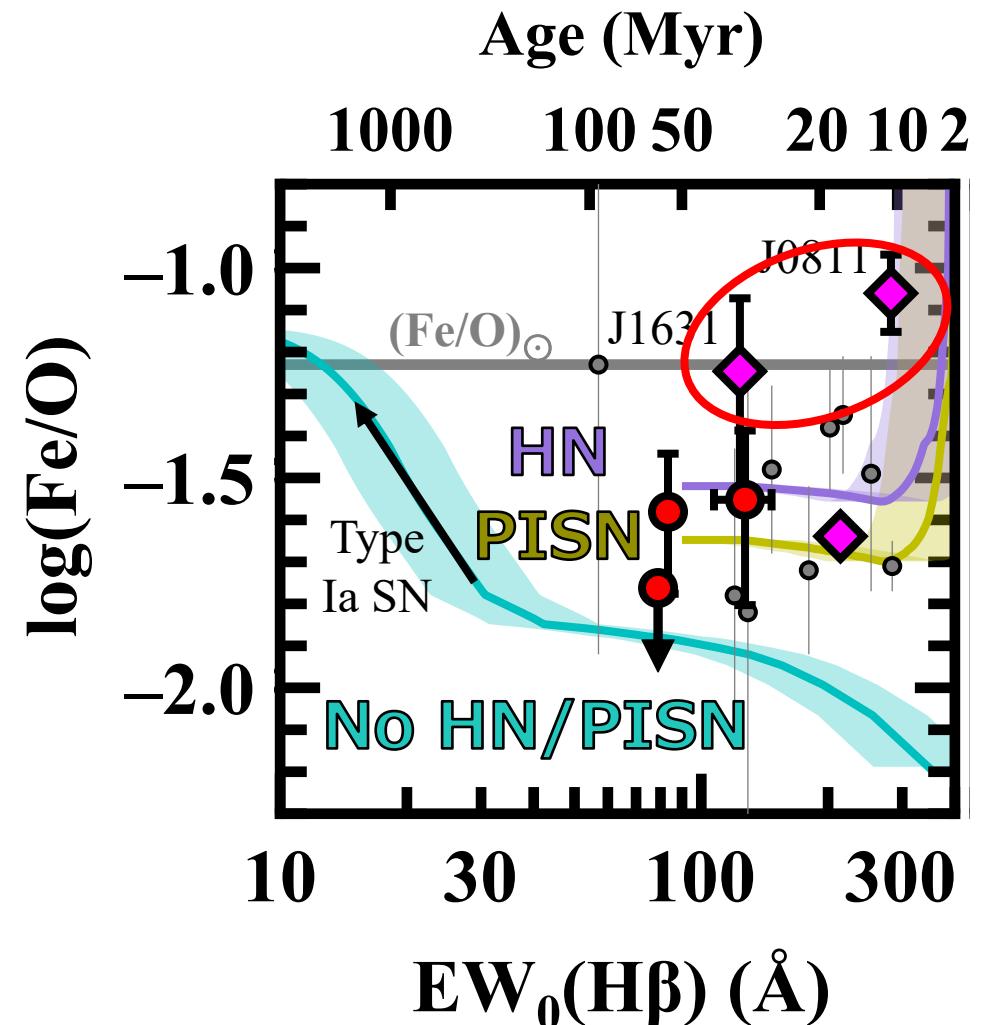


# Fe/O vs. EW (age)

- No HN/PISN model cannot
- **HN/PISN models** can explain high Fe/O of J1631 and J0811

→ Not Type Ia SNe but **HNe/PISNe** can be responsible for Fe/O enhancements of young EMPGs

→ Fe/O may not serve as a cosmic clock for early galaxies



# Summary

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- Spectroscopic follow-up observations for 13 **faint** EMPG candidates
  - Identifying 9 EMPGs with  $M_*$  down to  **$5 \times 10^4 M_\odot$**
  - Confirming that some young EMPGs have high Fe/O
- Comparing **Fe/O** of EMPGs with **chemical evolution models**
  - **HNe/PISNe** potentially attribute to Fe/O enhancements of young EMPGs
  - Fe/O may not serve as a cosmic clock for early galaxies