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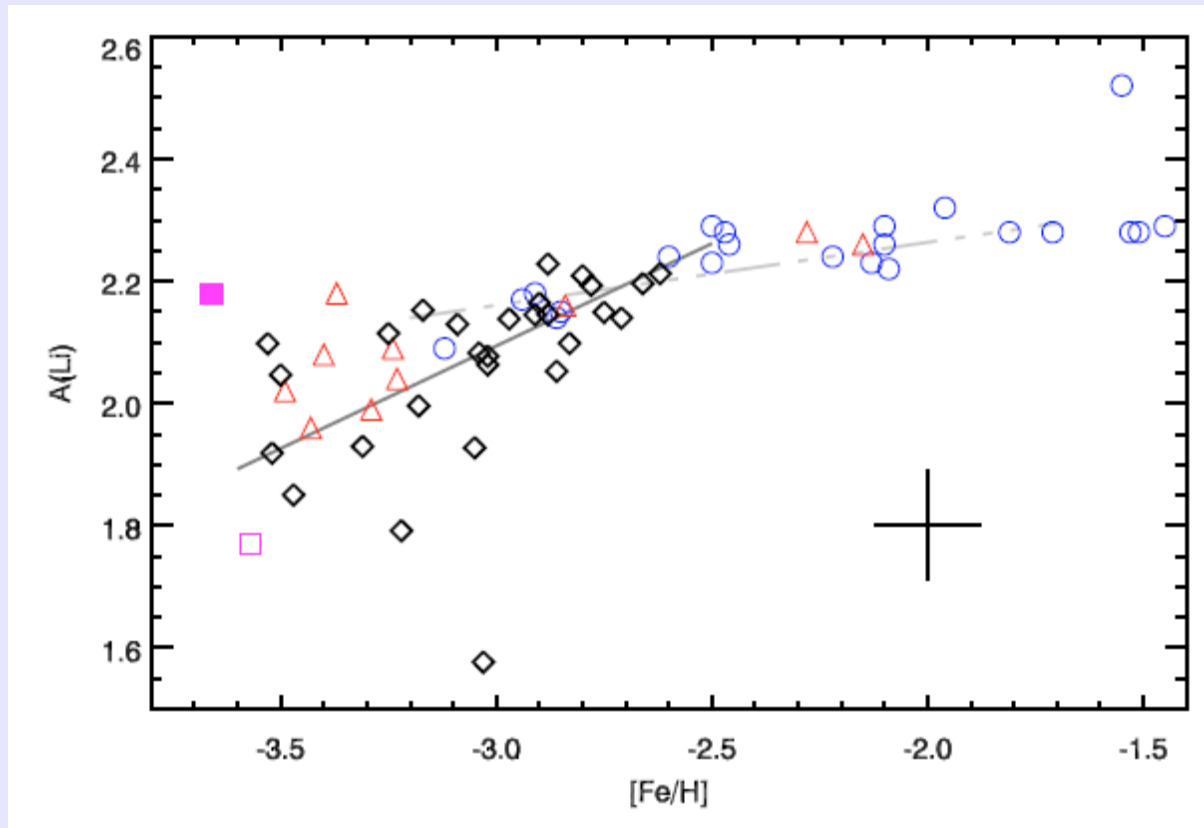
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(1) Li abundances of Extremely Metal-Poor turn-off stars from SDSS sample

(2) Li abundances of the double-lined spectroscopic binary G166-45 ($[Fe/H] = -2.5$)

Li depletion/scatter in EMP stars

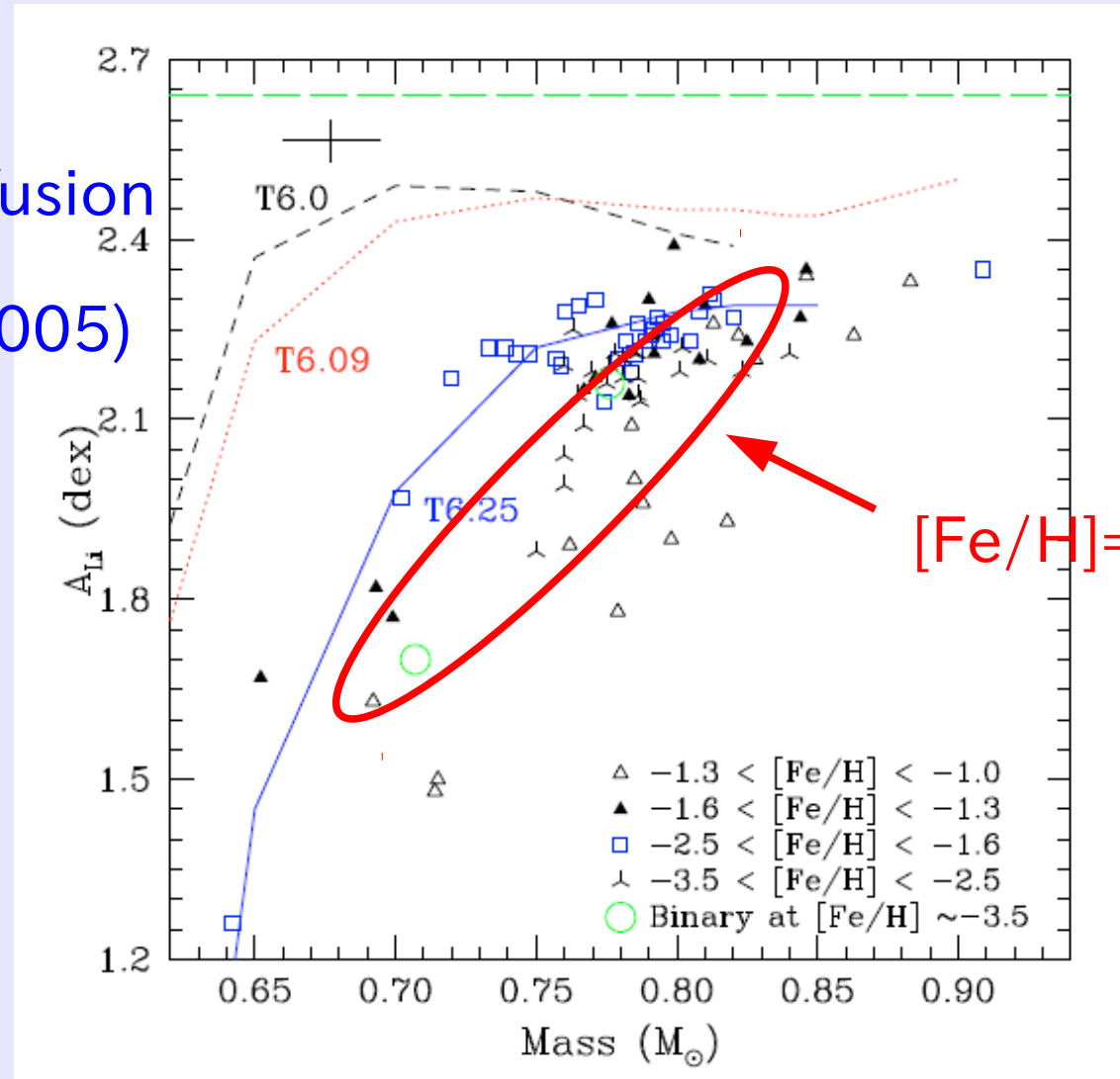


Sbordone et al. (2010)

Ryan et al. (1999), Bonifacio et al. (2007), Aoki et al. (2009) etc.

Mass & metallicity dependent Li depletion?

Models with diffusion
and turbulence
(Richard et al. 2005)

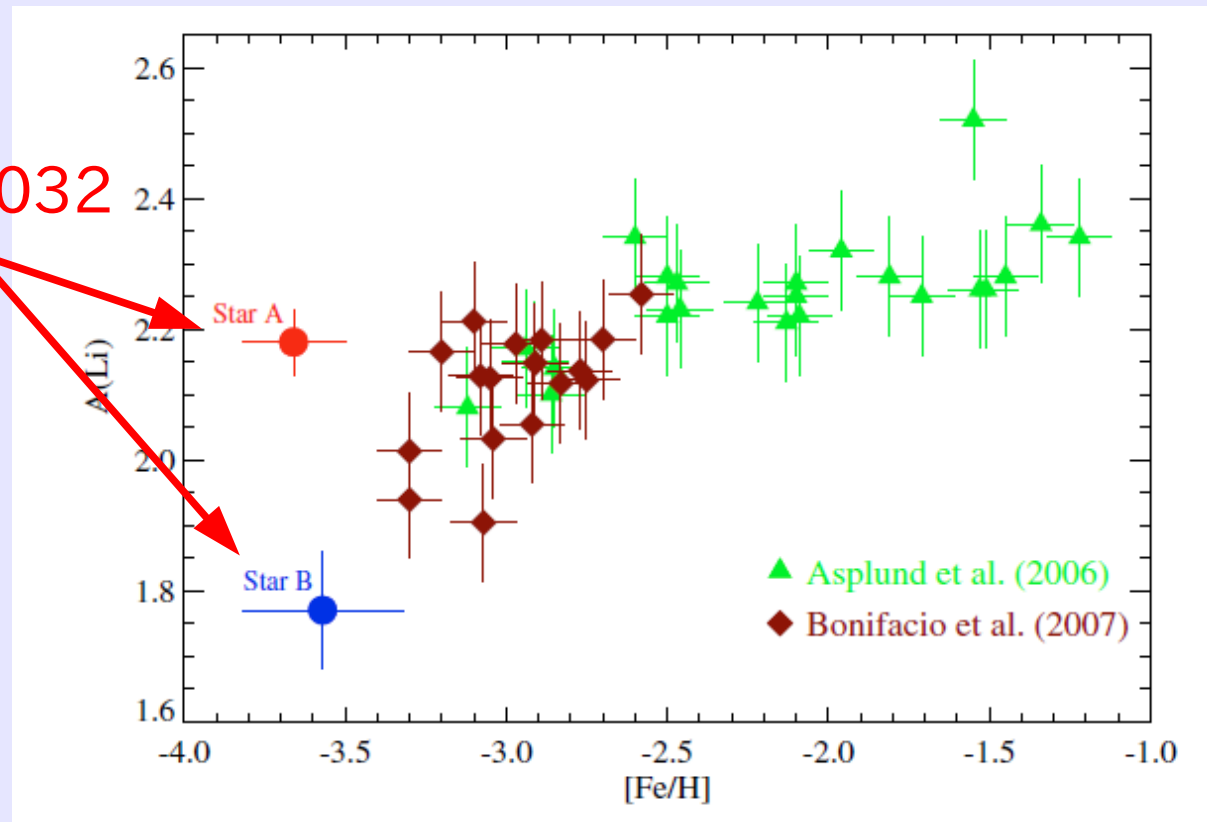


Melendez et al. (2010)

Li in the double-lined spectroscopic binary CS22876-032

Evidence for the depletion of Li in a main-sequence star

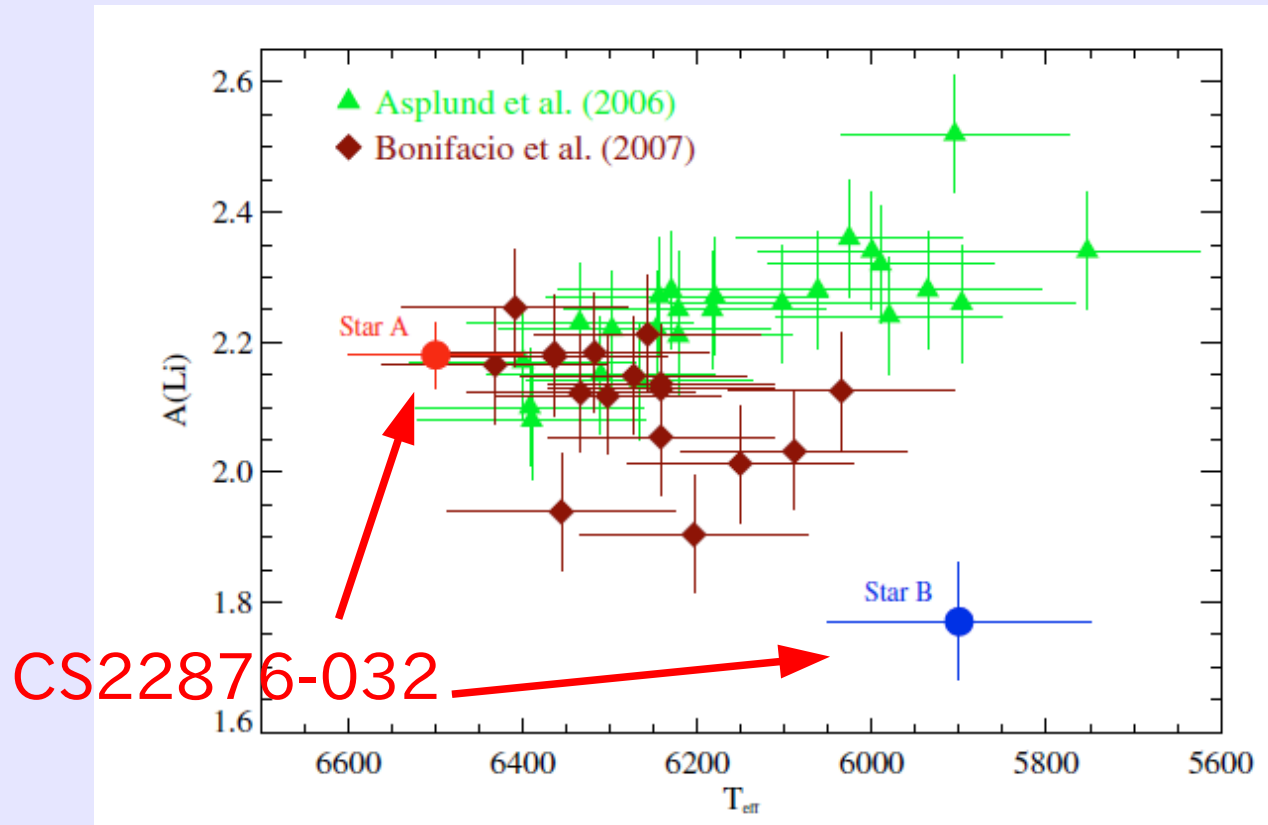
CS22876-032



Gonzalez-Henandez et al. (2008)

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Uniqueness of the Li abundance measurement for CS22876-032 (Gonzalez-Hernandez et al. 2008):

- **Lowest metallicity** ($[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < -3.5$)
→ largest scatter?
- **A Double-lined spectroscopic binary:** initial abundance should be common
→ Li depletion in the secondary

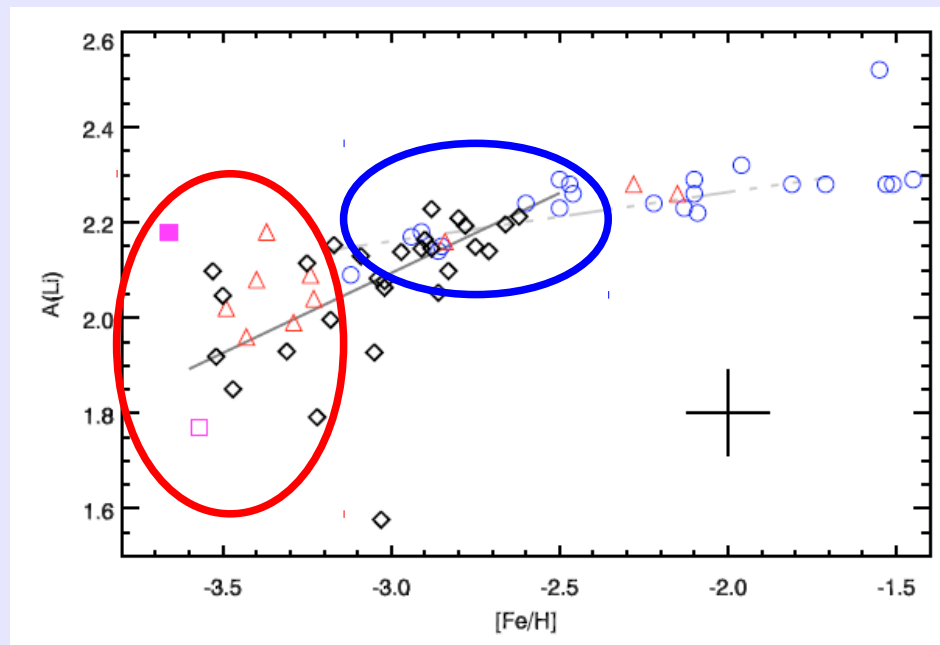
Further investigations for Li depletion (or scatter) in very/extremely metal-poor stars

(1) **Investigations of Li abundances in EMP stars**

→ SDSS/SEGUE sample

(2) **More detailed investigation in $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] > -3$**

→ investigation of double-lined spectroscopic binary



*Sbordone et al.
(2010)*

Li abundances of EMP turn-off stars from SDSS sample

Aoki, Ito, Beers et al. (in prep)

Observations:

- Selection of candidates for EMP stars ($[Fe/H] < -3$) from SDSS spectra
- Snap-shot spectroscopy (~ 150 stars)
- High S/N spectroscopy (~ 15 stars, including giants)

Li in EMP

Search for metal-poor stars by Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS)



The 2.5m telescope at Apache Point Observatory

- SDSS spectroscopy:
R~1800
Covering 3900-9000Å
14<V<20
- Metallicity estimate from Ca II HK lines
- Standard stars in SDSS-I
- New surveys in SDSS-II (SEGUE)→240,000 stars

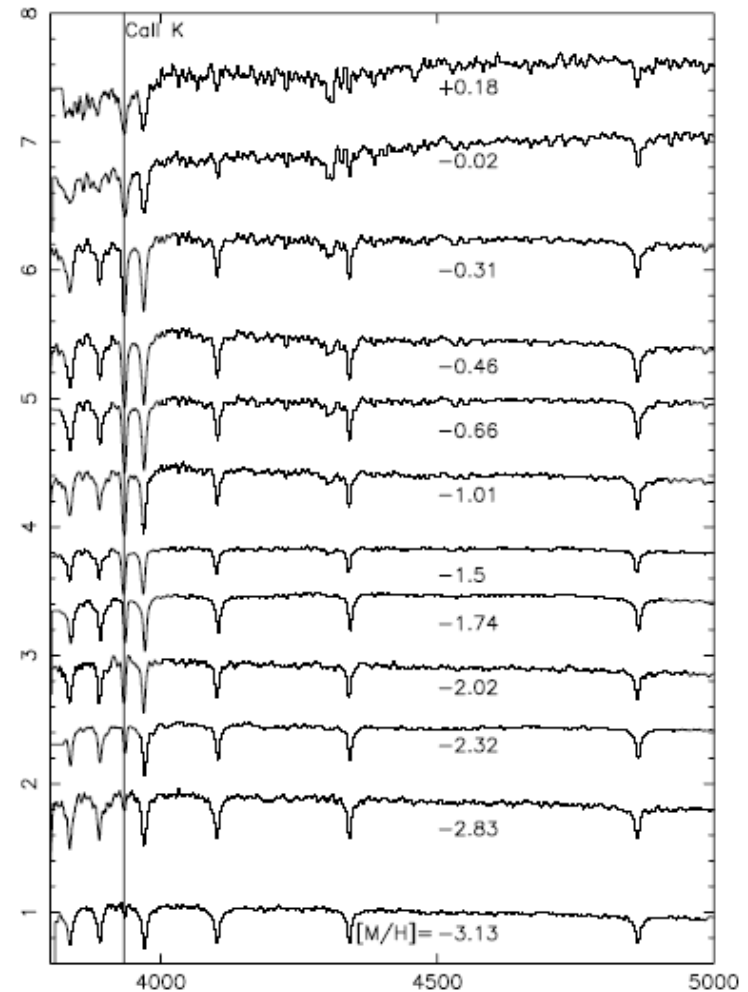


Figure 7. F star metal sequence—a set of SEGUE F stars, selected to show the range of metallicities sampled by the F subdwarf, F/G, spectrophotometric standard and reddening standard categories. All 13 stars have similar effective temperatures, near 6500 K, but the strength of the Ca K line at $\lambda 3933$ indicates metallicities ranging from less than 0.001–1.5 times Solar.

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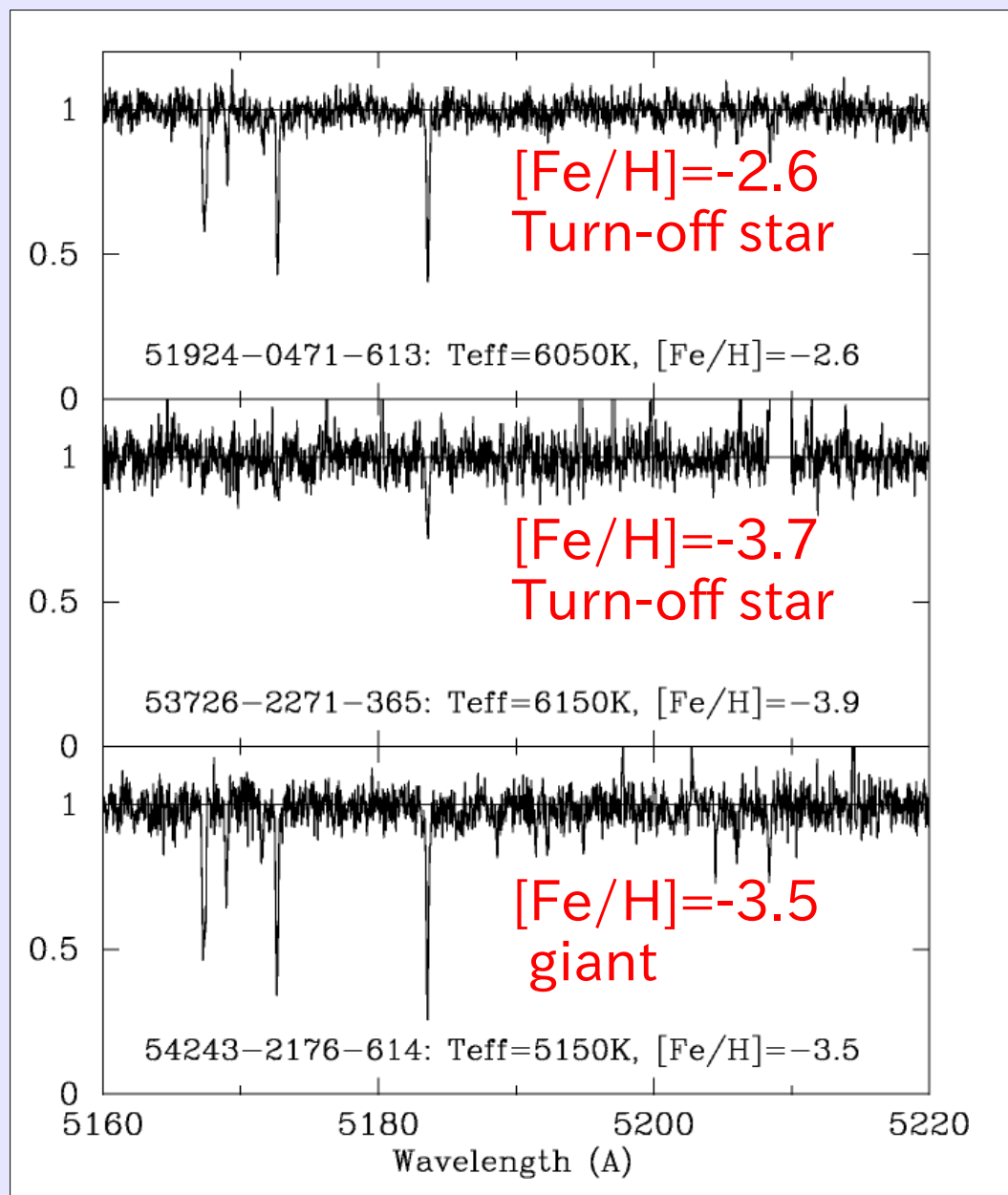
“Snap-shot” spectroscopy with Subaru/HDS

High-resolution, low S/N spectroscopy:

- $R=30,000$
- 4030-6800Å
- $S/N \sim 25-30$
- ~ 150 objects

Example: Mg triplet around 5170Å \rightarrow

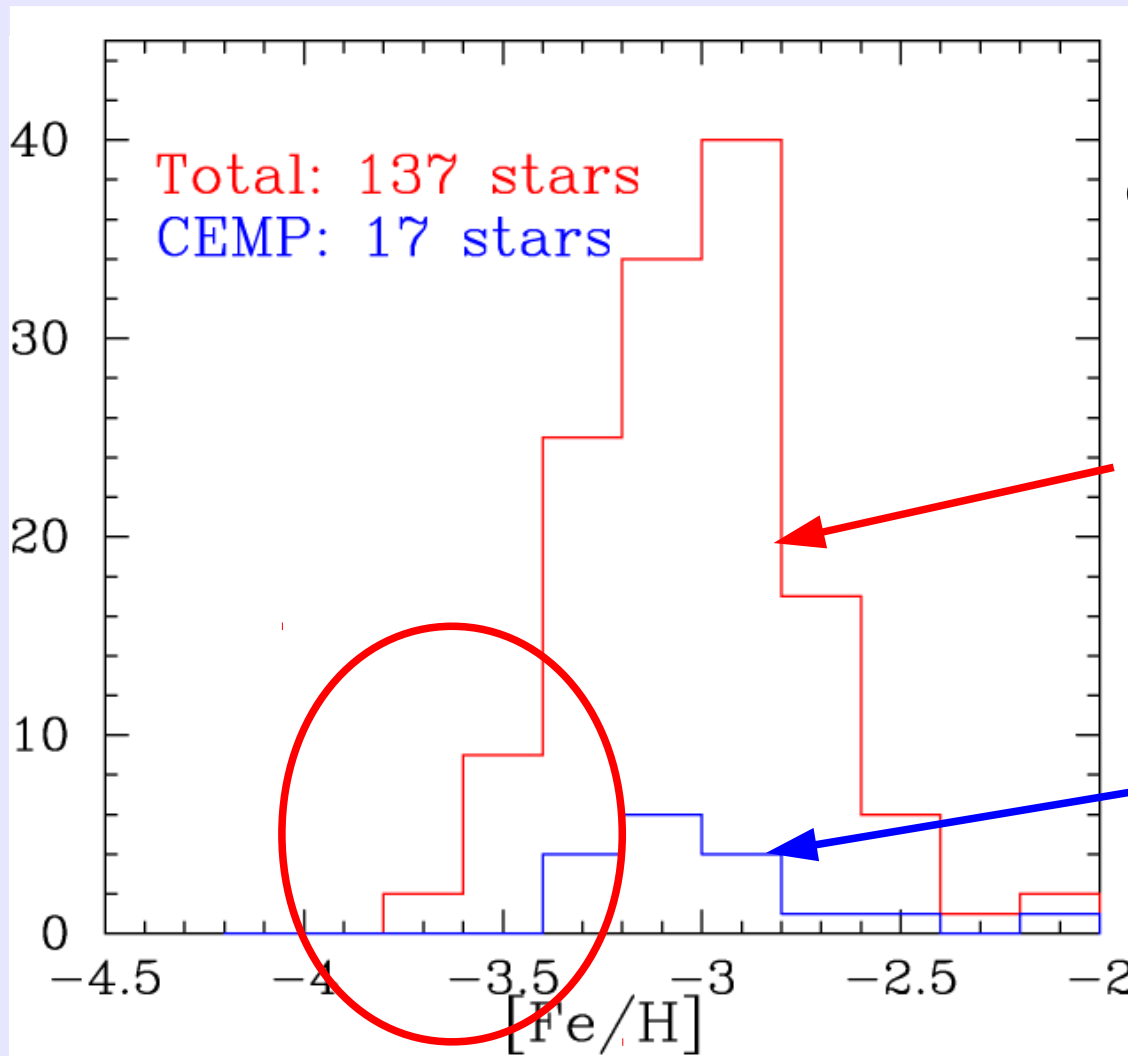
High S/N spectra with $R=60,000$ for ~ 15 selected stars have been obtained.



Li in EMP

Metallicity distribution of the Subaru snap-shot sample

Metallicity is determined from Fe lines in high resolution spectra obtained with Subaru (137 stars)



~80% are turn-off or subgiant stars

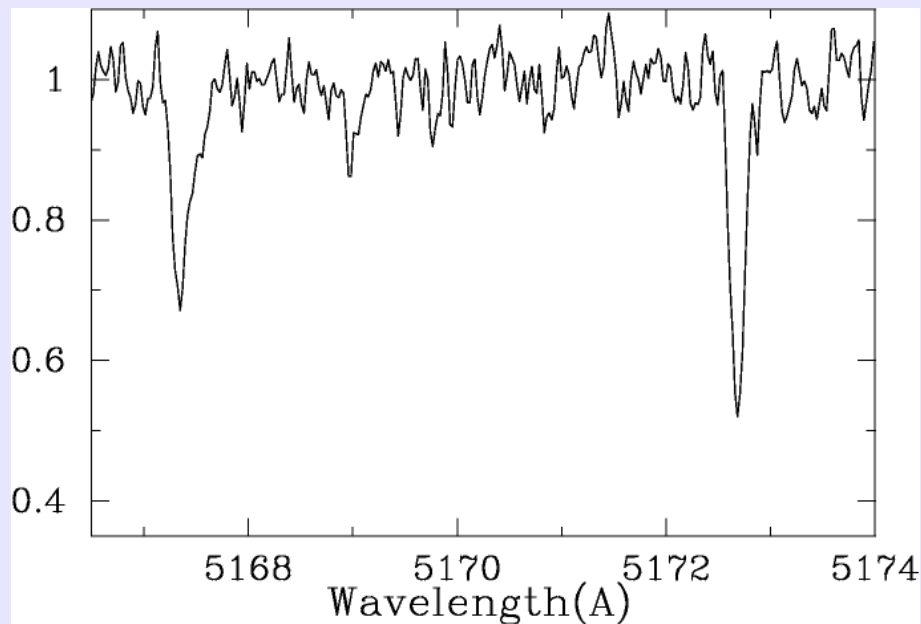
Whole sample

Carbon-enhanced stars

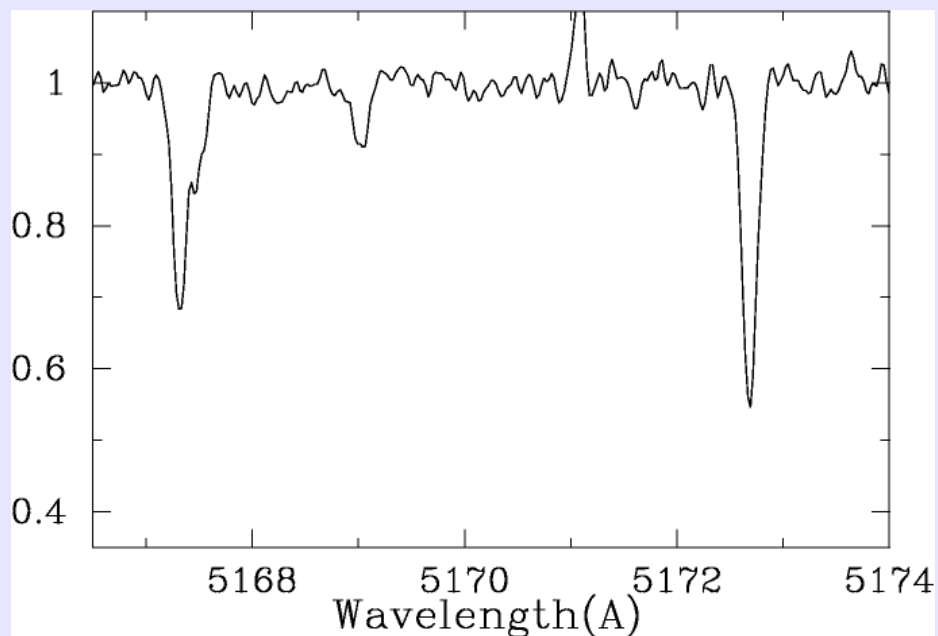
High S/N spectra for 9 turn-off stars

Example:
SDSS J1522+3055

R=30,000
snap-shot

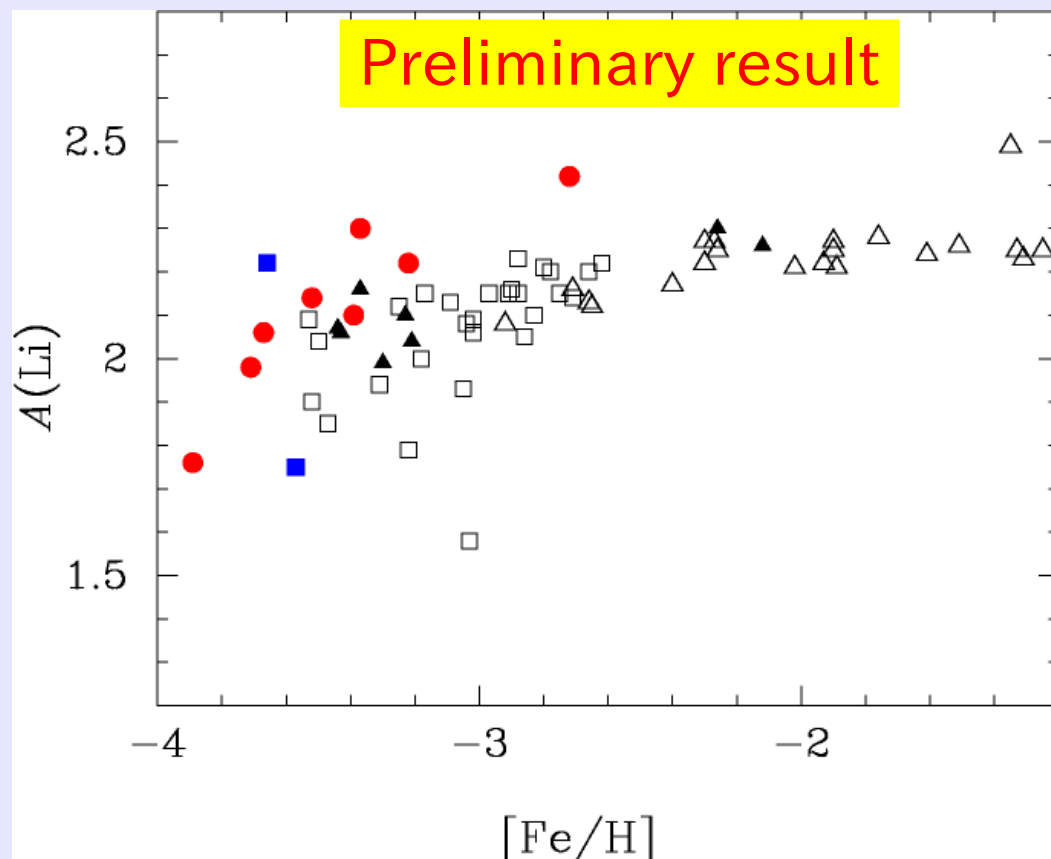


R=60,000
High S/N



Li abundances of EMP stars in SDSS/Subaru sample

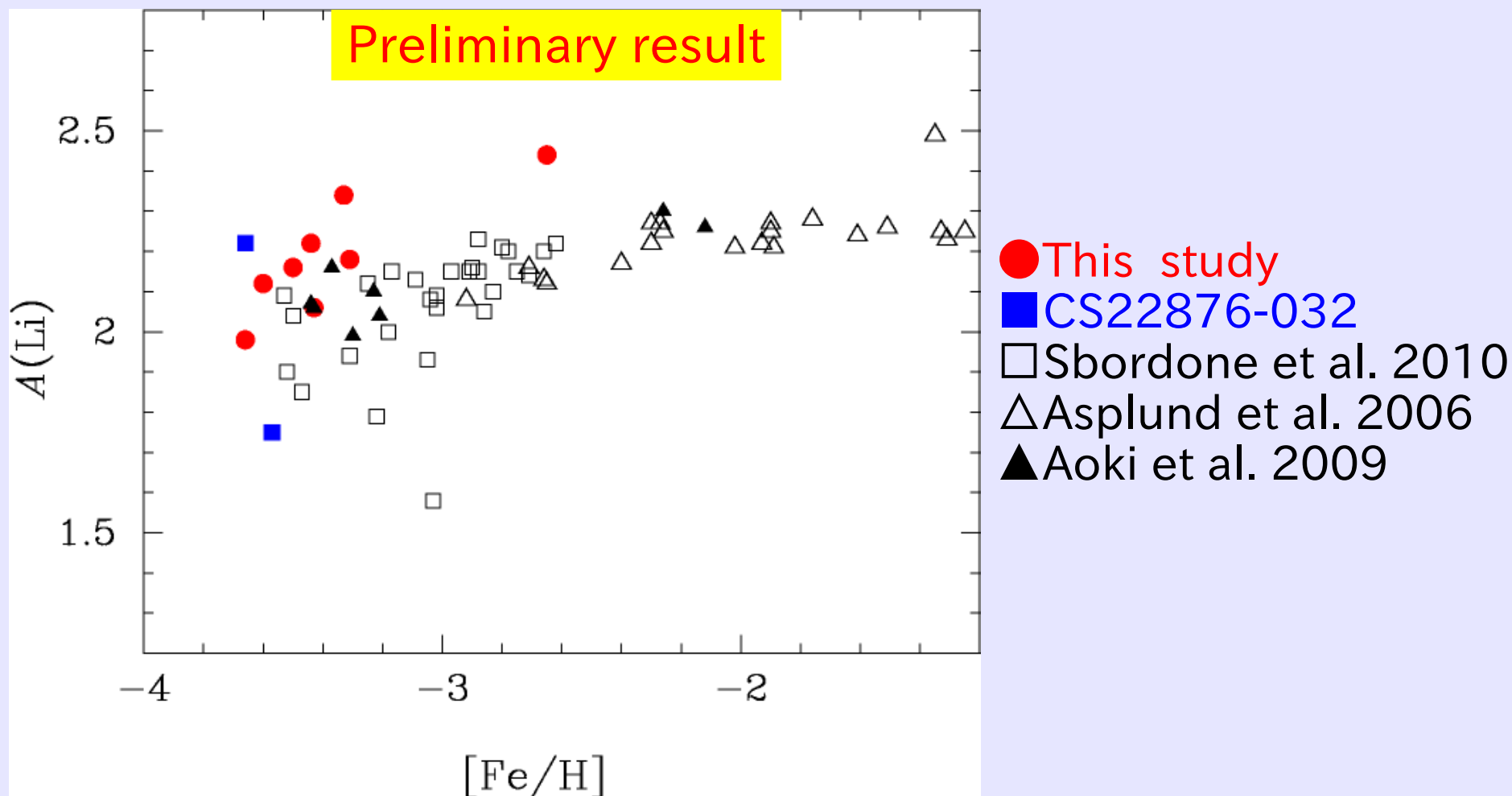
- Based on high-res ($R=60,000$) and high S/N (~ 70) spectra
- Effective temperature (T_{eff}) from colors ($g-r$) and ATLAS models



- This study
- CS22876-032 (Gonzalez-Hernandez et al. 2008)
- Sbordone et al. 2010
- △ Asplund et al. 2006
- ▲ Aoki et al. 2009

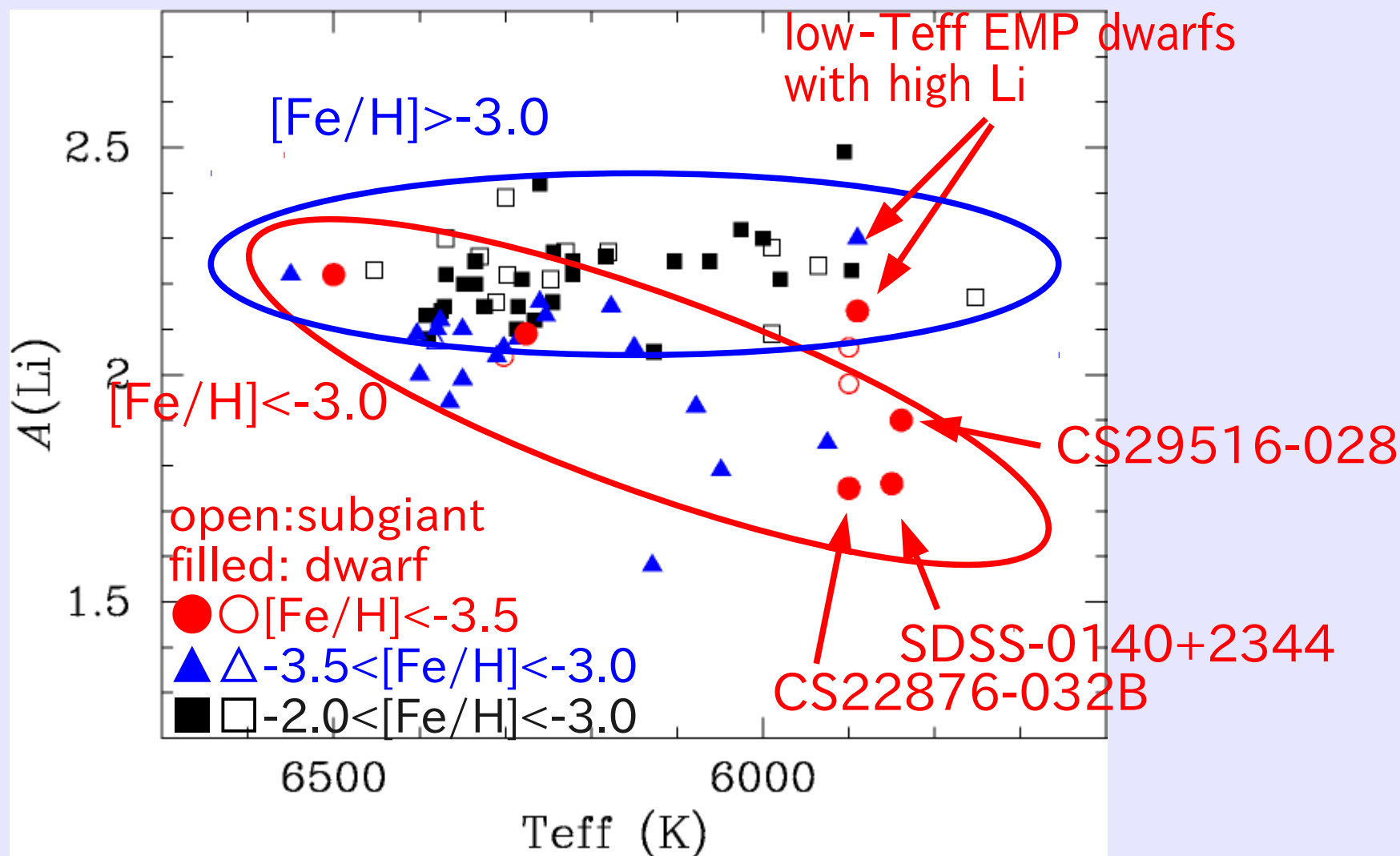
Li abundances of EMP stars in SDSS/Subaru sample

Effective temperature (T_{eff}) from SDSS pipeline (SSPP)



Li in EMP

Correlation of Li abundance with temperature:
Main-sequence stars with lower temperature
(lower mass) have lower Li?



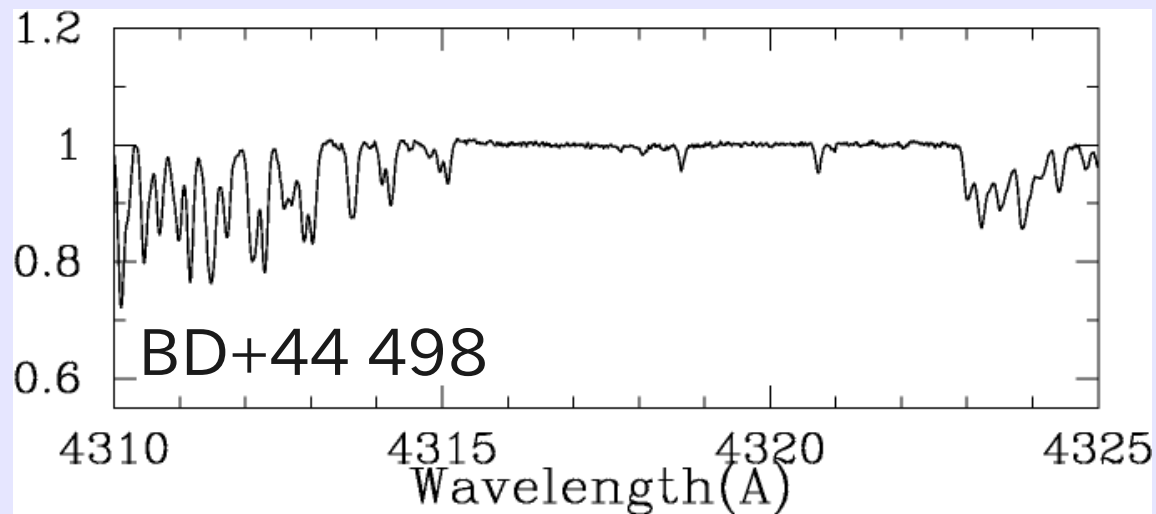
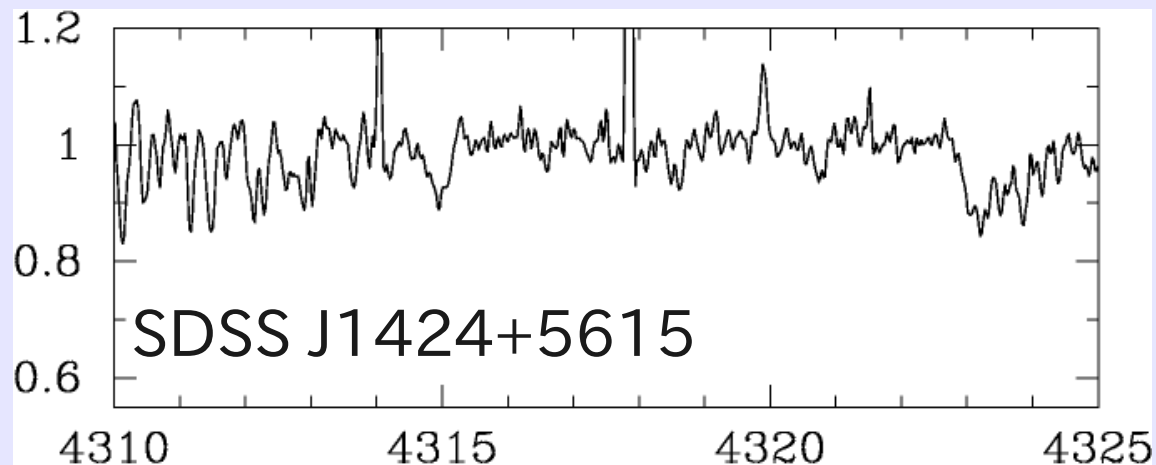
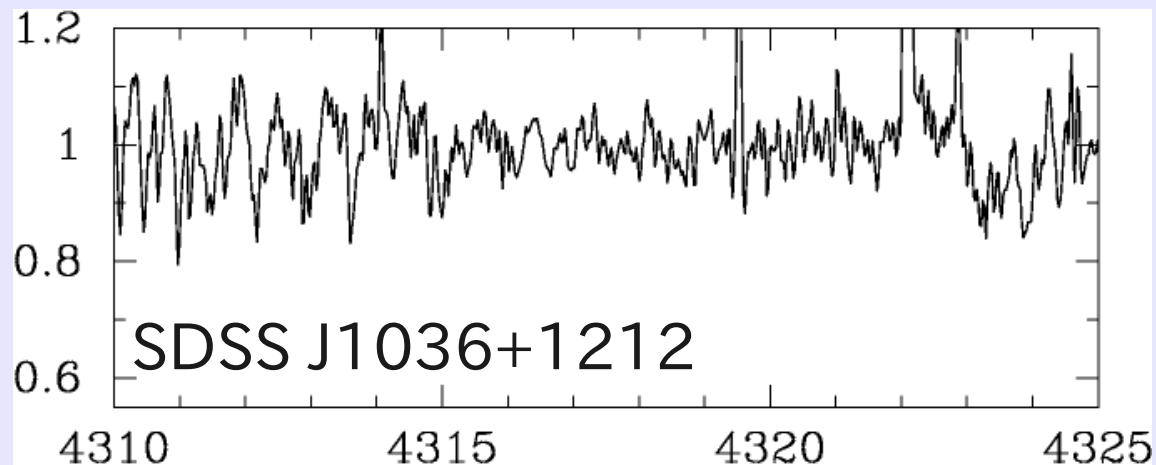
Li in EMP

Two objects are
CEMP stars!

$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -3.3$
CEMP-s

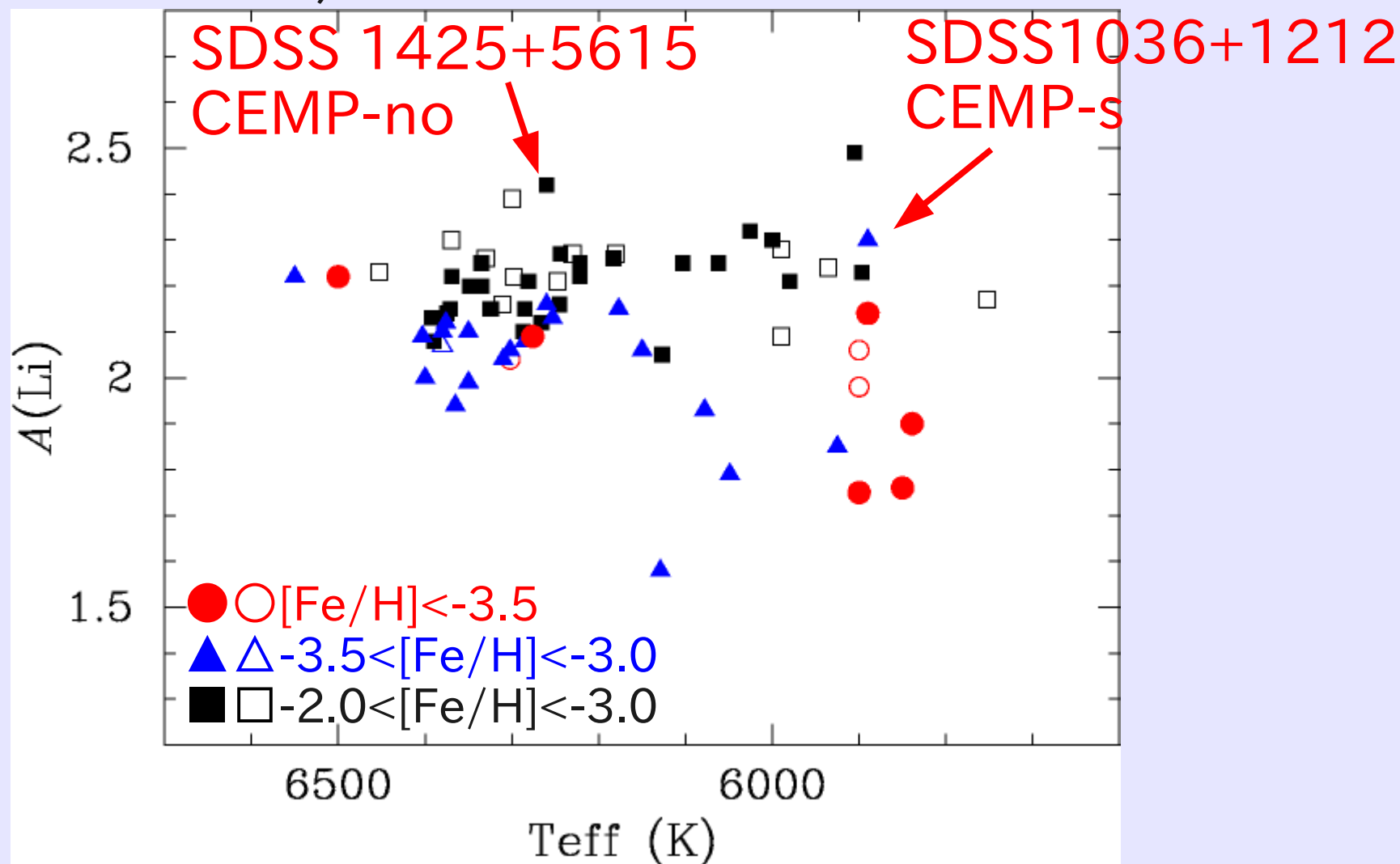
$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -2.7$
CEMP-no(?)

cf. CEMP-no
subgiant
(Ito et al. 2009)



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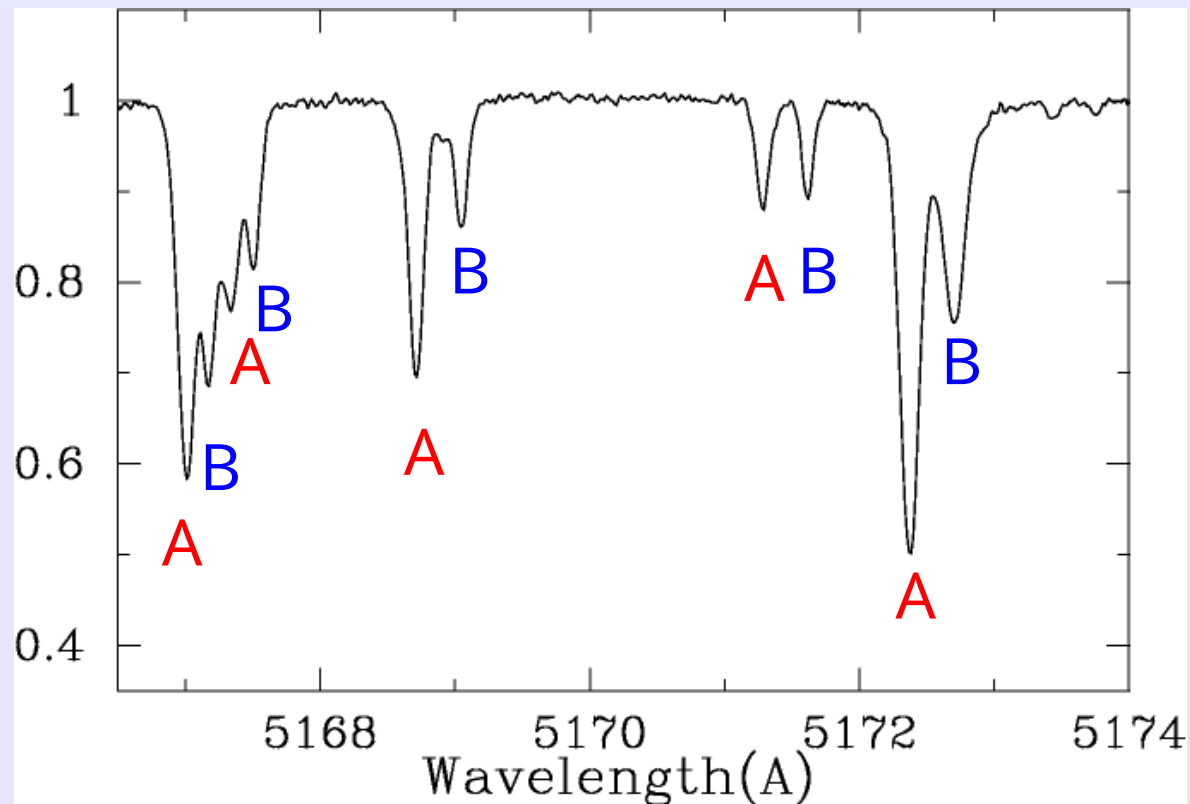
Li abundances of EMP turn-off stars from SDSS sample (summary)

- EMP stars include objects having Li abundances as high as the Spite plateau value ($A(\text{Li})=2.2$). There exists scatter, rather than a simple decreasing slope with decreasing metallicity.
- For main-sequence stars with $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]<-3.0$, a correlation between Li abundance and T_{eff} (mass) is suggested, though exceptions exist.
- High Li abundance is found also in a CEMP-s star ($[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]=-3.3$) with $T_{\text{eff}}=5850\text{K}$, indicating no significant destruction of Li through mass transfer from AGB, or some contribution of Li by AGB.

Li in G166-45

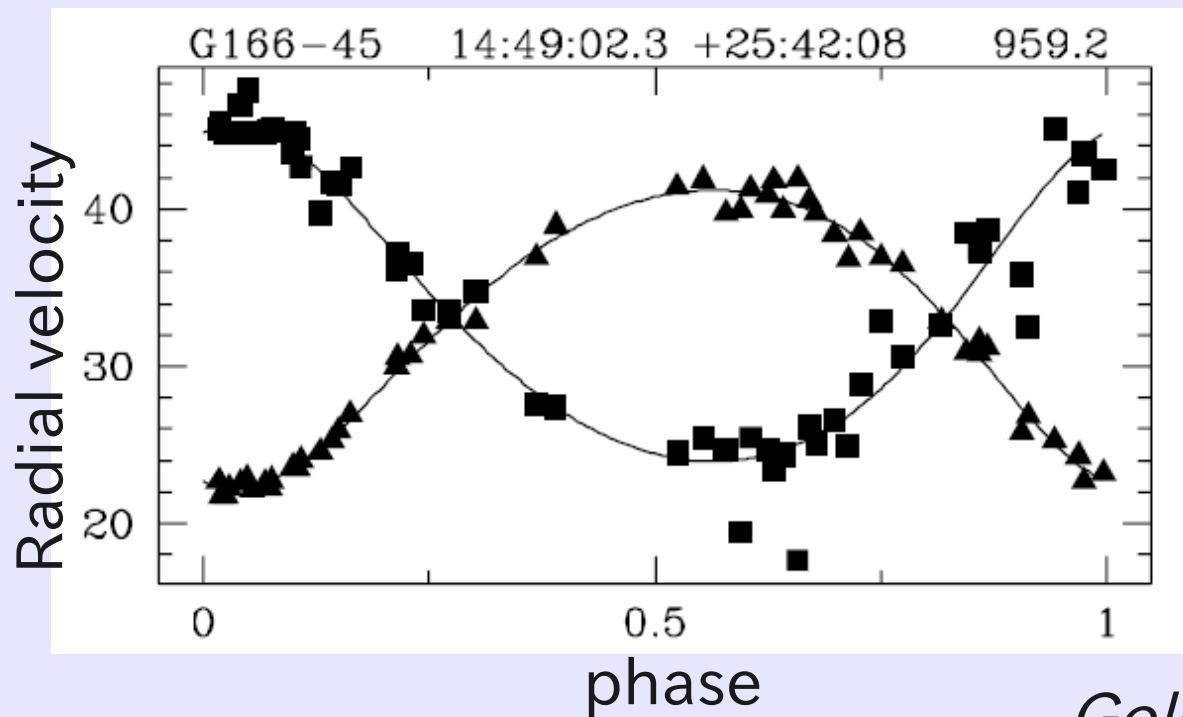
Li abundances of the double-lined spectroscopic binary G166-45 ([Fe/H]=-2.5)

Aoki, Ito, Tajitsu (in prep)



The double-lined spectroscopic binary G166-45 ([Fe/H]=-2.5)

G166-45 was selected from the sample of Goldberg et al., who studied 34 double-lined spectroscopic binaries found from Carney-Latham's sample.



- $P=959$ days
- Mass ratio $q=m_1/m_2=0.89\pm 0.04$

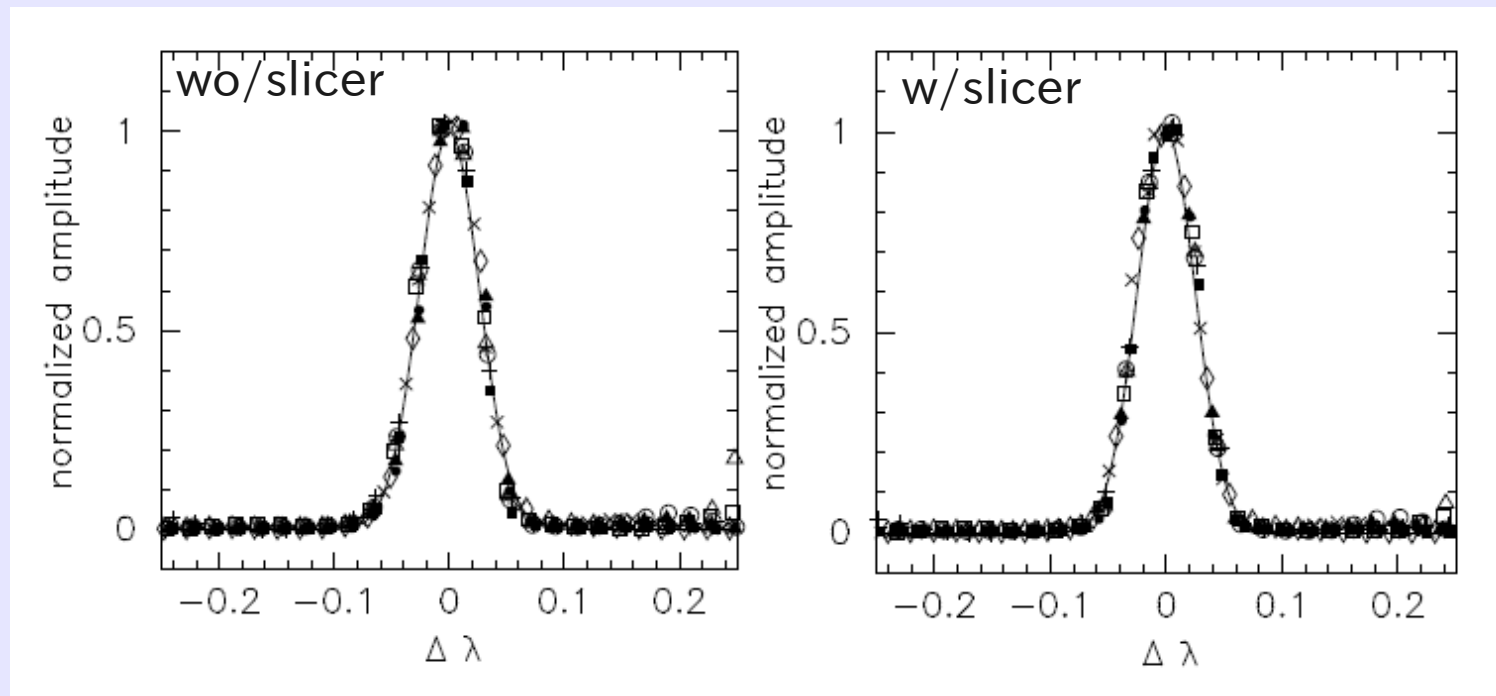
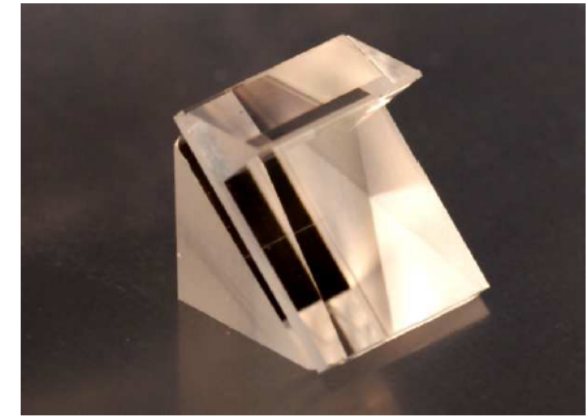
Goldberg et al. (2002)

Li in G166-45

Observations of G166-45 with Subaru/HDS+image slicer

- Installed in 2010-2011
- $R=110,000$ (0.3arcsec slit)

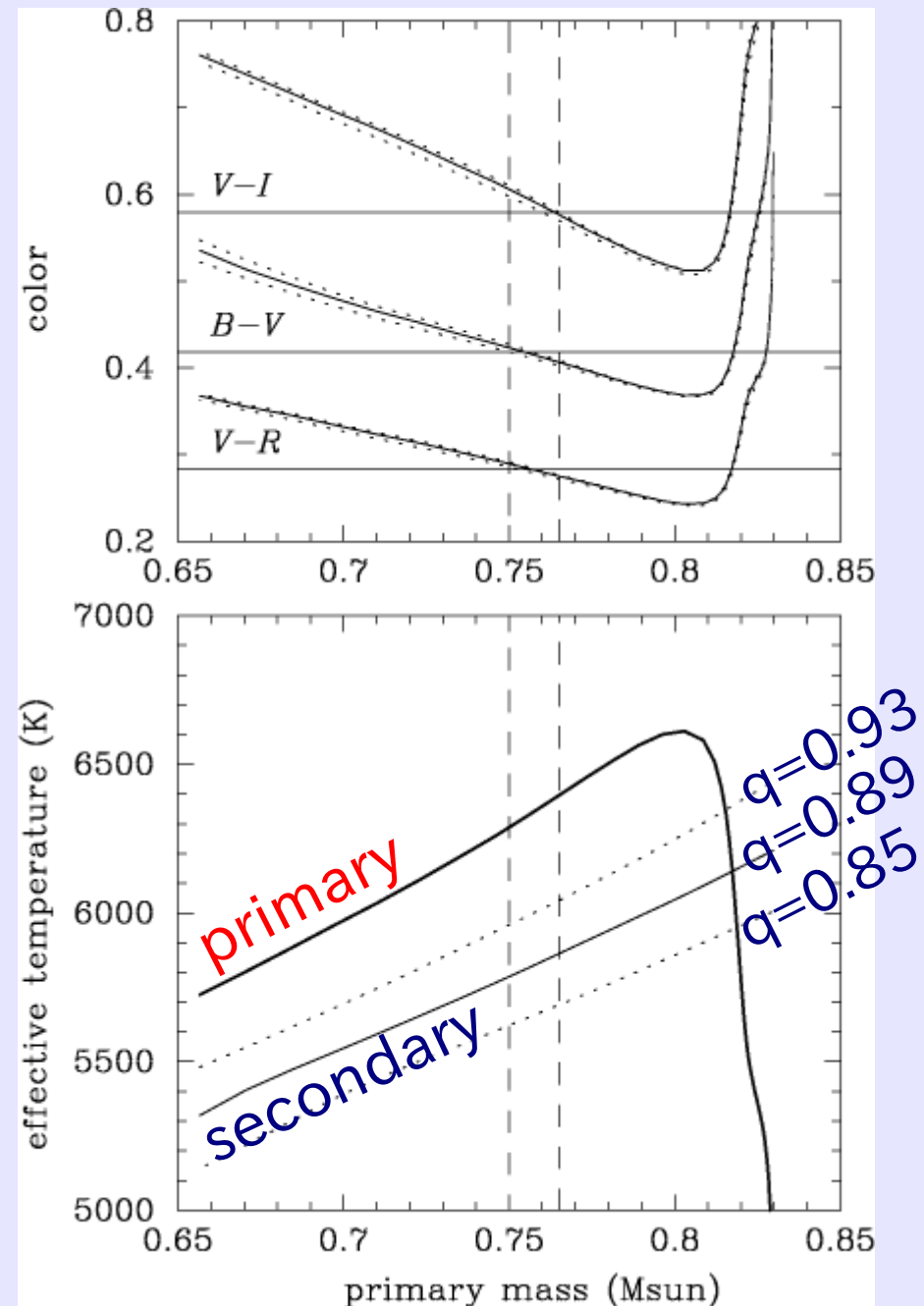
Tajitsu, Aoki, Yamamuro (2012)



Li in G166-45

Stellar parameters of G166-45 A and B

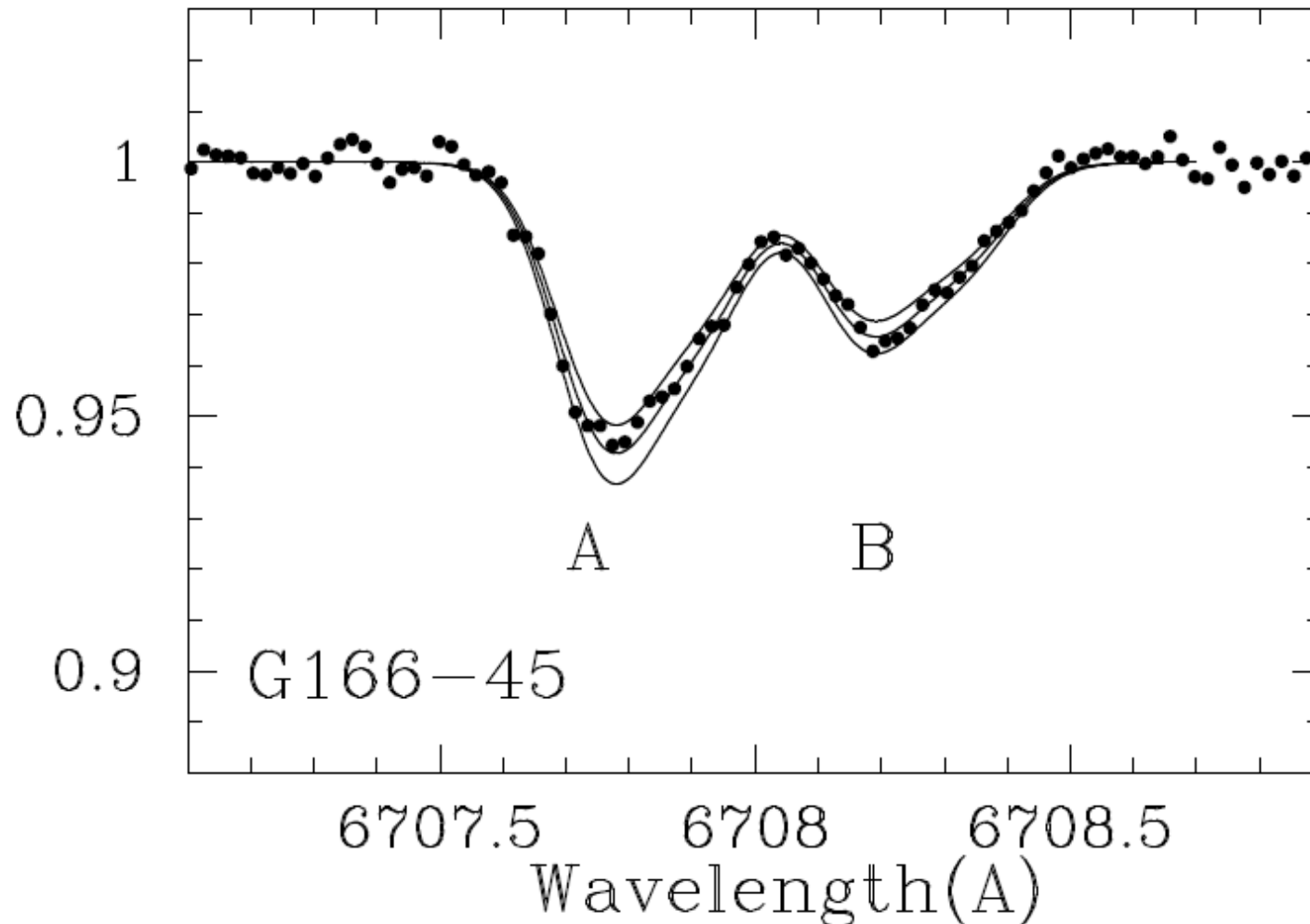
- **mass ratio**
 $q = m_1/m_2 = 0.89 \pm 0.04$
- **isochrones** (Y^2)
→ colors of the binary system
- **colors** of G166-45(A+B)
(Landolt & Uomoto 2007)
→ - **T_{eff}** of G166-45 A/B
- **contribution of each component to continuum flux** ($f: f_A + f_B = 1$)
- **$\log g$, v_{turb} and $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$** are determined spectroscopically



Li lines of G166-45 A and B

G166-45A: $A(\text{Li})=2.23 \pm 0.06$,

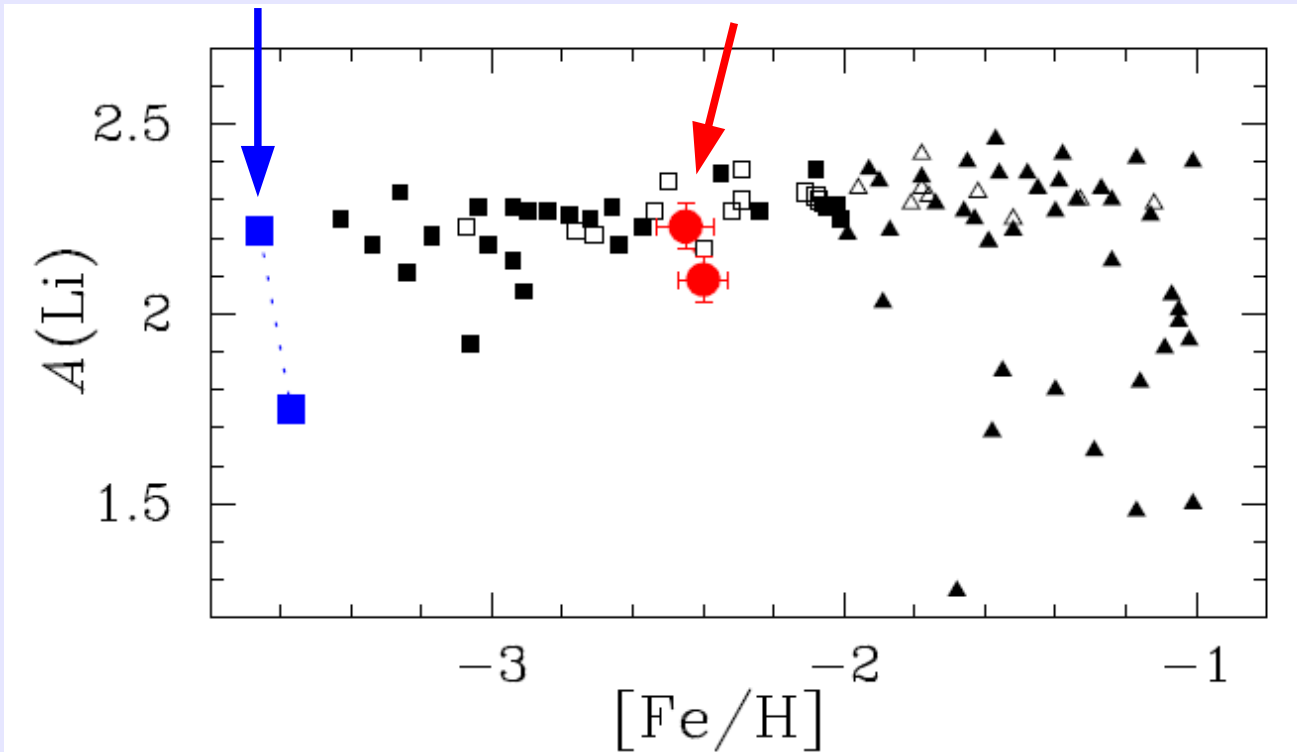
G166-45B: $A(\text{Li})=2.11 \pm 0.05$



Li of G166-45 compared with other stars (1) Fe/H dependence

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G166-45



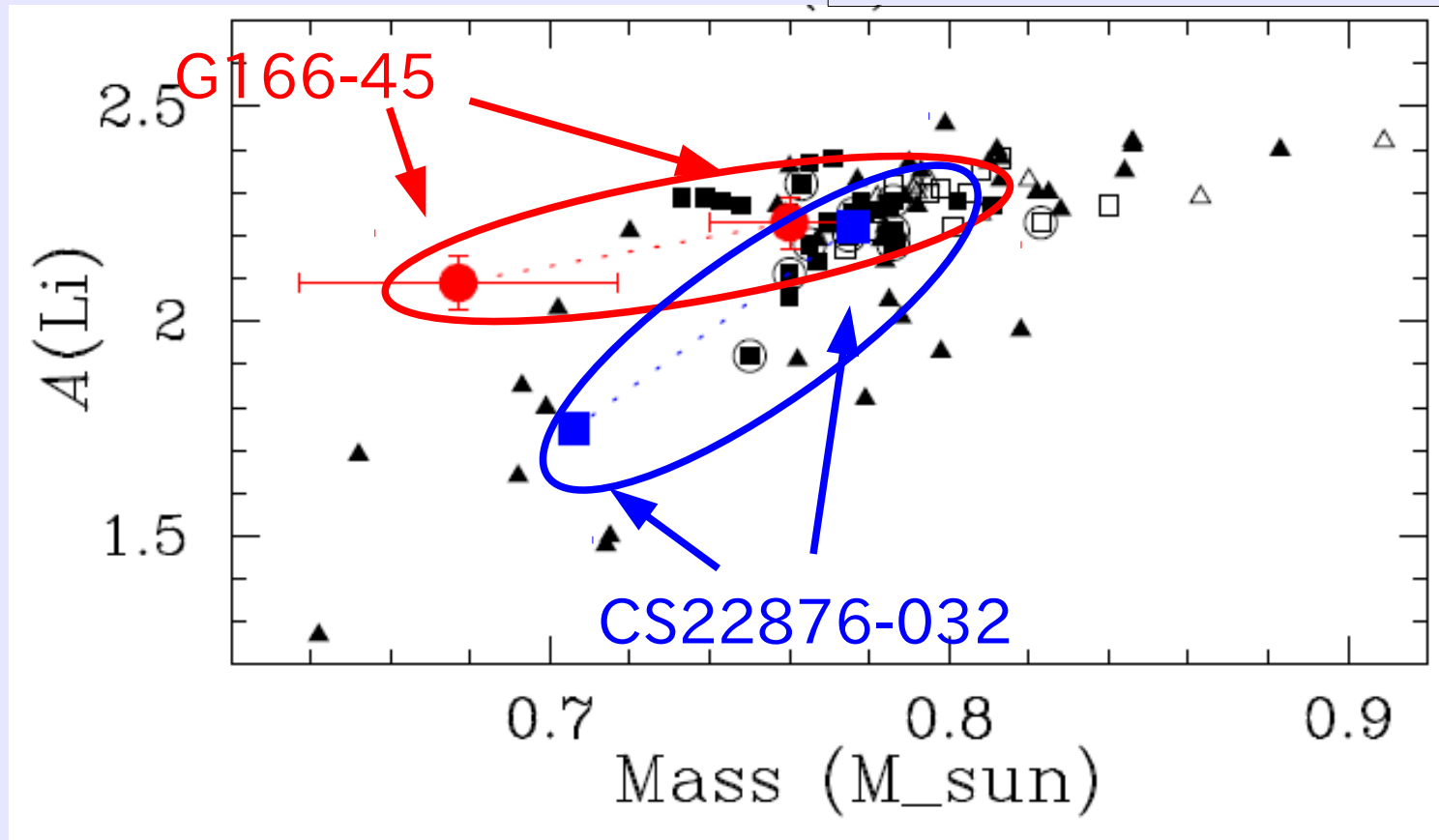
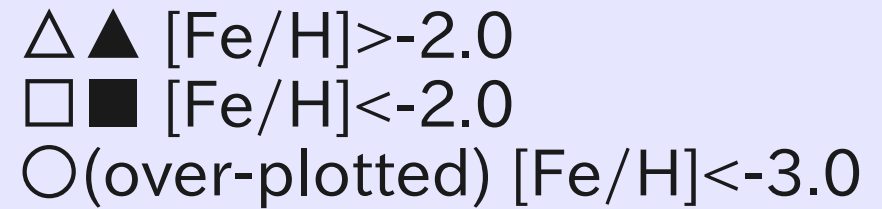
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$\Delta \square$ subgiant
($\log g < 4.0$)
 $\blacktriangle \blacksquare$ dwarf
($\log g > 4.0$)

Li of G166-45 compared with other stars

(2) mass dependence

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Li abundances of the double-lined spectroscopic binary G166-45 (summary)

- G166-45 has $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -2.5$, $T_{\text{eff}}(\text{A}) = 6350\text{K}$ and $T_{\text{eff}}(\text{B}) = 5830 \pm 170\text{K}$
- The secondary (B) has lower Li abundance than the primary (A), but the difference (0.1 dex) is much smaller than that in CS22876-032 ($[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -3.6$).
- No large scatter of Li abundances is found at $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -2.5$, even if the cool (5800K) *main-sequence* star G166-45B (=low mass star) is included.
- Scatter of Li abundances (due to lower Li abundances in lower mass stars?) is a phenomenon only found in the lowest metallicity range ($[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < -3.0$).

Li abundances in very metal-poor, main-sequence turn-off stars summary

- **No large scatter is found in objects in $-3.0 < [\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < -2.0$** with $T_{\text{eff}} > 5800\text{K}$, including the double-lined spectroscopic binary G166-45 A and B.
- **Scatter of Li abundances exists in $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < -3.0$** due to lower Li abundances in lower T_{eff} (lower mass) stars (exceptions exist.)
 - ← **Main-sequence stars and subgiants should be distinguished** in the discussion of Li abundances in stars with $T_{\text{eff}} < 6000\text{K}$.
- **Li abundances in CEMP-s turn-off stars** can be a constraint on the amount of mass transfer from AGB, or contribution by AGB to observed Li.