*r-process enrichment traced by Pu and Ba near the sun and in the Draco* 



Observational Signatures of r-process nucleosynthesis in neutron star mergers on August 1st, 2017

# Talk outline

# I. Pu near the sun

✓ short-radioactive nuclei <sup>244</sup>Pu evolution in the solar vicinity



✓ event frequency & propagation of neutron star merger (ejecta)II. Ba in the Draco

✓ The Milky Way satellite galaxies are the excellent testbed for the *r*-process study

✓ two distinct r-process events in the early Draco

### last *r*-process event at the early solar system from short-lived radioactive nuclei



On the other hand, meteoritic abundances of radionuclides originated form CCSNe such as

<sup>26</sup>Al (half-life:1.03Myr)

<sup>60</sup>Fe (half-life:2.2Myr)

imply the injection from a nearby CCSN since their abundances are higher than the steady-state abundance inferred from γ-ray observations

last event of CCSNe << 100 Myr



*r*-process production events may occur much less frequently than CCSNe

the whole evolution of <sup>244</sup>Pu abundance in the solar vicinity

a nice paper by Hotokezaka et al. (2015): neutron star merger = the r-process site

# <sup>244</sup>Pu evolution in the solar system

the early solar system (ESS) from meteorites
✓ <sup>244</sup>Pu/<sup>238</sup>U ~ 0.008 at 4570Myr ago from meteorites

2. the present from deep sea

✓ current abundance of <sup>244</sup>Pu from deep sea measurement

Wallner et al. 2015

### very low, compared with at the ESS

~0.15 × ESS value from a sediment ~0.01 × ESS value from a crust



FeMn crust with a total thickness of 25cm was sampled in 1976 from the Pacific Ocean at 4,830m water depth.

Table 1 | <sup>244</sup>Pu detector events and corresponding ISM flux compared with galactic chemical models assuming steady state.

Deep-sea archive	Time period (My)	Sample area (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Sample mass (g)	Integral sensitivity (eff. × area × time period) (cm <sup>2</sup> My)	<sup>244</sup> Pu detector events (2σ limit)*	<sup>244</sup> Pu flux into terrestrial archive (atoms per cm <sup>2</sup> per My)	<sup>244</sup> Pu flux ISM at Earth orbit (atoms per cm <sup>2</sup> per My) <sup>†</sup>
Crust_modern	0-0.5	227.2	80	0.006	16	-	-
Layer X	Blank	~100	364	_	0	_	-
Layer 2	0.5-5	227.2	473	0.016	0 (<3)	<188	< 3,500
Layer 3	5-12	227.2	822	0.075	1 (<5)	13 <sup>+53</sup> / <sub>-12</sub> (<66)	247 + 1000
Layer 4	12-25	142.2	614	0.060	1(<5)	17 ±% (<83)	320 +1,250
Crust	0.5-25	182	1,909	0.151	2 (<6.7)	13 <sup>+</sup> <sup>31</sup> / <sub>11</sub> ( <44)	250 + 590
Sediment	0.53-2.17	4.9	101	0.0013	1 (<5)	750±3800	3,000 ± 9,68°
Model and satellite data: Steady-state model and ISM flux data at 1 AU from satellite Cassini							20,000-160,000

## How to calculate <sup>244</sup>Pu evolution

step1. the ejected mass of <sup>244</sup>Pu per volume per event

meteoritic abundances of **short-lived radioactive nuclei** hold **the information on one last** *r***-process event** 

 $^{244}Pu/^{238}U\sim 0.008$  & meteoritic abundance of  $^{238}U$ 

244Pu=2×10<sup>-12</sup>: mass fraction by one event in the ISM

step 2. the total event number till the solar system formation

solar abundances (meteorites) of **stable nuclei** hold **the information on an accumulation of all** *r***-process events till the ESS** 

an ejected mass of Eu per one event per cm<sup>3</sup>= $2.5 \times 10^{-11} \leftarrow 244$ Pu/238U=0.33 (Goriely & Janka 2016, Eichler et al. 2015)

step 3. dating of individual events using a star formation history

(i) We integrate the SFR from the beginning of the Galaxy to the time of ESS and bin by the inferred number (~15) of contributing r-process events during that time.



(ii) We integrate the SFR forward from the ESS time to the present, and at any time that the integrated number of newly formed stars reaches the threshold number, <sup>244</sup>Pu is ejected into the ISM.



#### star formation history: never constant but has a bursting feature

# the frequency of *r*-process production event

by counting the number of supernovae

for the current interval of ~400Myr

step 1. the present-day local supernova rate

 $\checkmark$  from the local present-day star formation rate: 0.48-1.1 $M_{\odot}$ /Gyr/pc<sup>2</sup> the relation between SFR and CCSN rate SFR=1.65/yr & CCSN rate=2.3/century in the Galaxy → one per 2.1-4.8 Myr per 100 pc-radius disk region ✓ from <sup>60</sup>Fe detection in deep sea crusts (Wallner et al. 2016) Two supernovae occurs at 1.5-3.2 Myr ago and 6.5-8.7 Myr ago at distances up to 100 pc one CCSN per 4Myr per 100pc-radius disk region step 2. the volume where a NSM propagates + synthesized Pu mass The volume contains gas of  $\sim 3.5 \times 10^6 \text{ M}_{\odot} \leftarrow$ <sup>244</sup>Pu density -370 pc-radius disk region ~100 x SNR local surface density of gas =  $8 M_{\odot} \text{ pc}^{-2}$ the number of CCSNe within 370pc-radius for 400 Myr: ~1400 CCSNe **NSM** rate = one per ~1400 CCSNe at the current solar system

# NS merger rate deduced from stellar abundances



NSM rate = one per ~1400 CCSNe



Dark energy survey (credit: A. Frebel)



*Note! the Milky way experiences more than*  $2 \times 10^5$  *NS mergers.* 

#### I. faint (small-mass) dwarf galaxies



### Very early *r*-process enrichment in faint dwarf galaxies



#### We measured *r*-process abundance in the Draco dSph galaxy from here! May 30, 2016 @Matsure



### Twelve Draco stars for -2.5 < [Fe/H] < -2



Whereas the Ca and Fe lines are quite similar, the strengths of the Ba and Y lines are different between the eight objects form the top and the other four objects.



The two stars have similar stellar parameters but show the different Ba, Y, and Eu abundances.

## Two distinct *r*-process populations



The occurrence of an episode boosting [Ba/H] by one order of magnitude around [Fe/H] $\approx$ -2.3.



The abundance of a light neutron-capture element, Y, shows a feature similar to Ba and Eu



### Similarities to *r*-process event in Reticulum II

I. A single r-process event in both galaxies increases [Ba/H] up to approximately the same level, i.e., [Ba/H]~ -2.



II. This increase in [Ba/H] is accompanied with an increase in the abundance of light neutron-capture element, Sr and Y, by the same magnitude as the increase of Ba



the mass of Ba ejected from the r-process event in the Draco



#### Who is the r-process producer?

#### a NS merger



the ejecta composed of elements with A  $\geq$  89 including Y with a mass of  $0.01M_{\odot}$  contain the Ba mass of  $3.2 \times 10^{-4}M_{\odot}$ , assuming the solar *r*process pattern.

#### a magneto-rotational supernova

The latest results suggest Ba production as much as  $2.8 \times 10^{-4} M_{\odot}$ 



Nishimura et al. 2017

# Two types of *r*-process events



two types of r-process events differing at least one order of magnitude in the degree of enrichment of ISM Keep in mind :

*r*-process events are not necessarily associated with the high production.

Open question :

The presence of two *r*-process events may suggest **the same site generates a different amount of nucleosynthesis products** owing to, e.g., a large variety of ejecta mass of NS mergers or *r*process yields in magneto-rotational SNe ??

or

it implies the presence of **two distinct** *r***-process sites** ??

"We witness a neutron star merger and a supernova! ??"

# Conclusions

 $\checkmark^{244}$ Pu evolution in the solar system

method: short-radioactive & stable *r*-process elements meteorites & deep-sea archives

*r*-process site: *neutron star mergers* 

event frequency: *one per*  $\sim$ 1400 core-collapse supernovae ejecta spread:  $\sim$ 100 × SN ejecta

✓ Ba abundance feature in the Draco dwarf galaxy

method: high-dispersion spectroscopy

*Two distinct r-process events* 

which are associated with high and low r-process yields