



# Chemical signatures in dwarfs

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# Neutron capture elements

from Truran 1981 to ~5 years ago

s-process

Early Galaxy

r-process

site

Low-(intermediate)  
mass stars

Massive stars  
(& NS mergers)

time scale

>300Myr

electron capture SN  
neutron stars mergers  
Magneto rot. driven SN ...

< 30Myr  
(excluding NS mergers)

yields

Busso et al. 2001

...

*Cristallo+ 2011*  
*Karakas+ 2012)*



# First signature Spread in the n.c. elements (Ba)

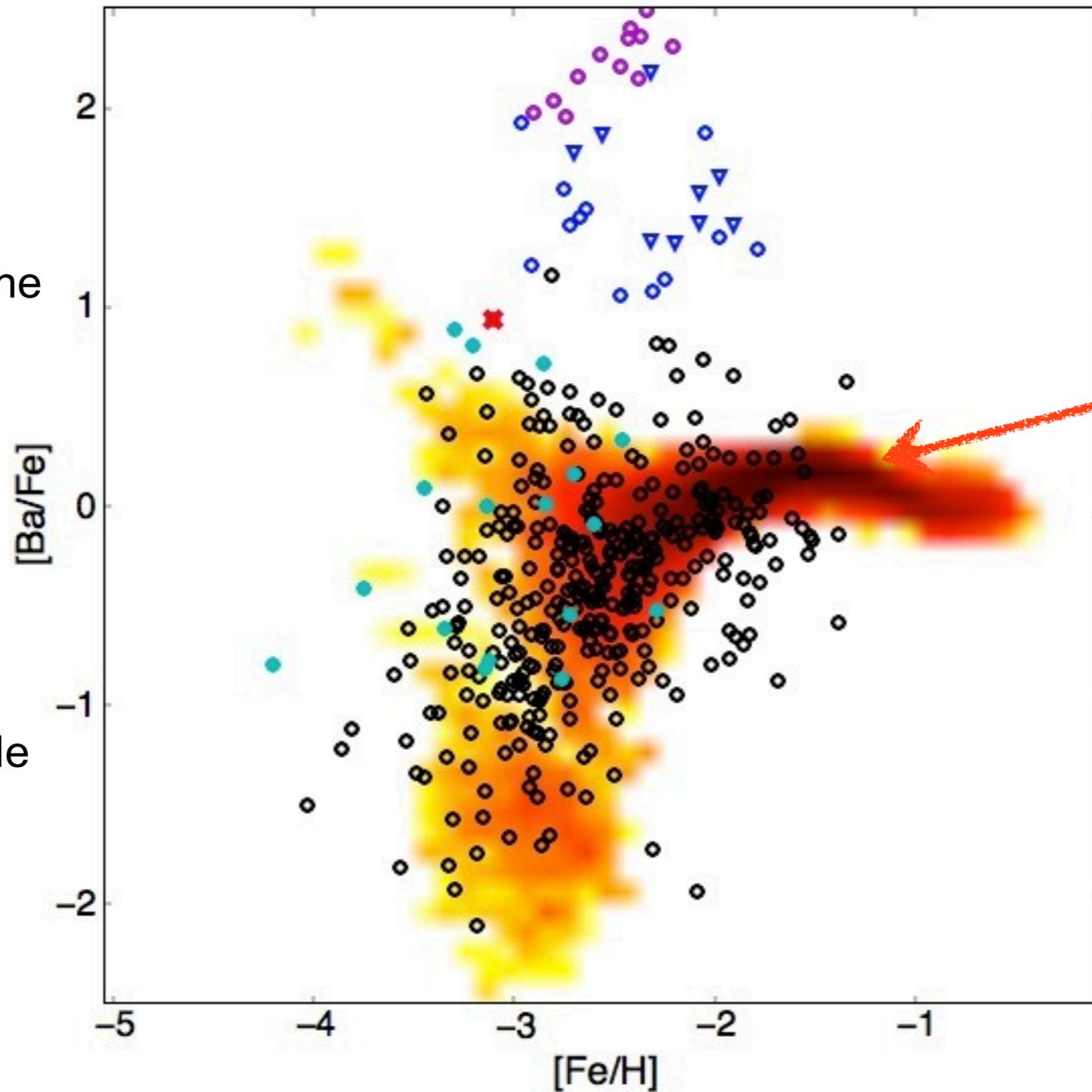
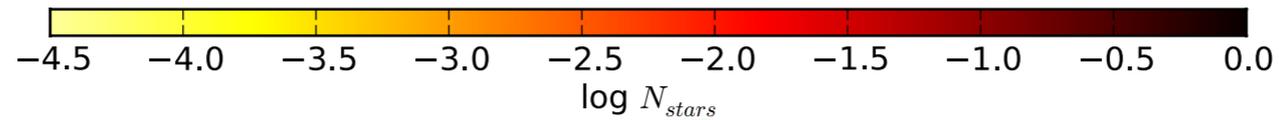
Stochastic chemical evolution model (Cescutti '08)

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rare progenitors for the r-process events:

- small mass range as Electron capture SNe (8-10Msun)

- fraction of the SNe, as Magneto Rotational Driven SNe (5-10%)



We can reproduce this spread in the Galactic halo

Density plot of long living stars for stochastic model

Data collected in Frebel10.

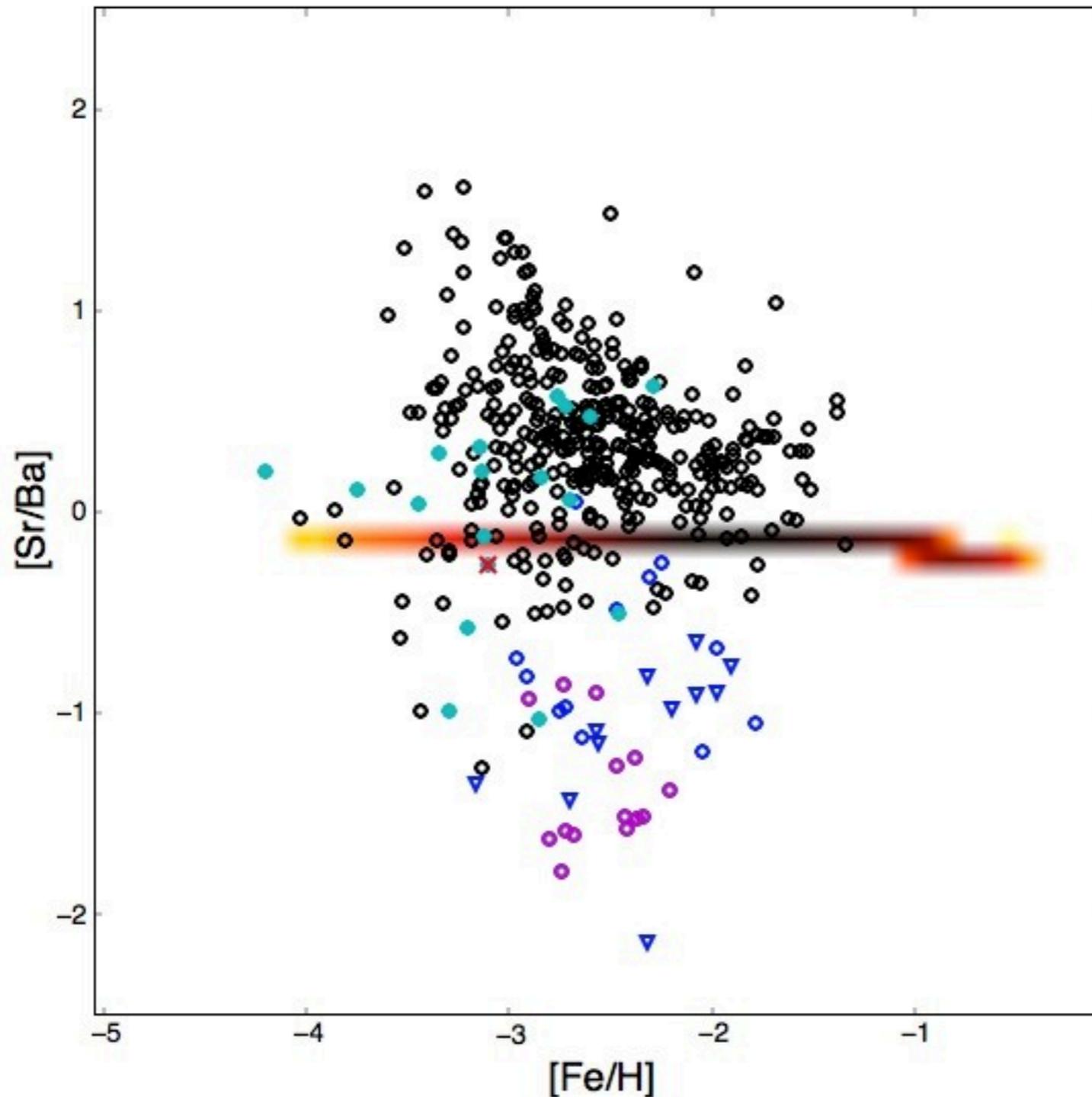
halo stars:  
 normal   
 cemp-s   
 cemp-no 





# Puzzling result for the “heavy to light” n.c. element ratio

For Sr yields:  
scaled Ba yields  
according to the  
r-process  
signature of the  
solar system  
(Sneden et al '08)



It is impossible to reproduce the data, assuming only the r-process component, enriching at low metallicity. Well known issue (see Sneden+ 03, François+07, Montes+07)

halo stars:  
normal ●  
comp-s ●  
comp-no ●



# Signatures of Fast Rotators found in the Galactic Halo

- (1) Large amounts of N in the early Universe (Chiappini et al. 2006 A&A Letters)
- (2) Increase in the C/O ratio in the early Universe
- (3) Large amounts of  $^{13}\text{C}$  in the early Universe (Chiappini et al. 2008 A&A Letters)
- (4) Early production of Be and B by cosmic ray spallation (Prantzos 2012)



Early production of neutron capture elements through a boosted s-process (Sr, Ba, ...)

# Neutron capture elements

The picture since Chiappini+2011 (Nature)

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*Early Galaxy*

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**Busso+ 2001**

**Frischknecht+ 2012**

...

*Cristallo+ 2011  
Karakas+ 2012*

*Pignatari+ 2008,  
Limongi yields still unpublished*

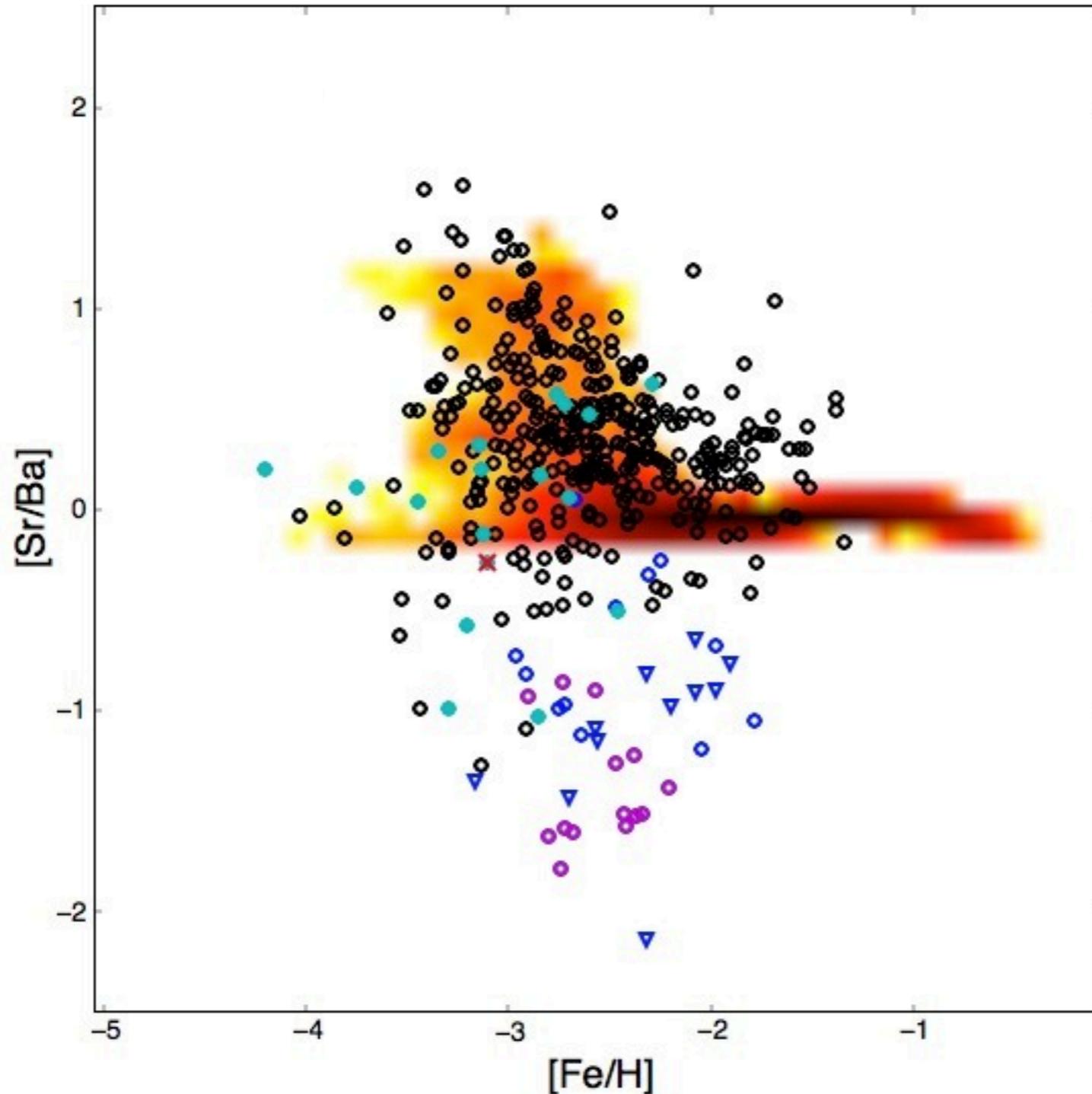




# Second signature Spread in the light to heavy s-process elements

s-process from  
fast rotators  
+  
EC SN (or MRD)  
as r-process site

It is possible to  
reproduce the  
Galactic halo data



halo stars:  
normal ●  
cemp-s ●  
cemp-no ●

Cescutti, Chiappini, Hirschi, Meynet  
and Frischknecht (2013)

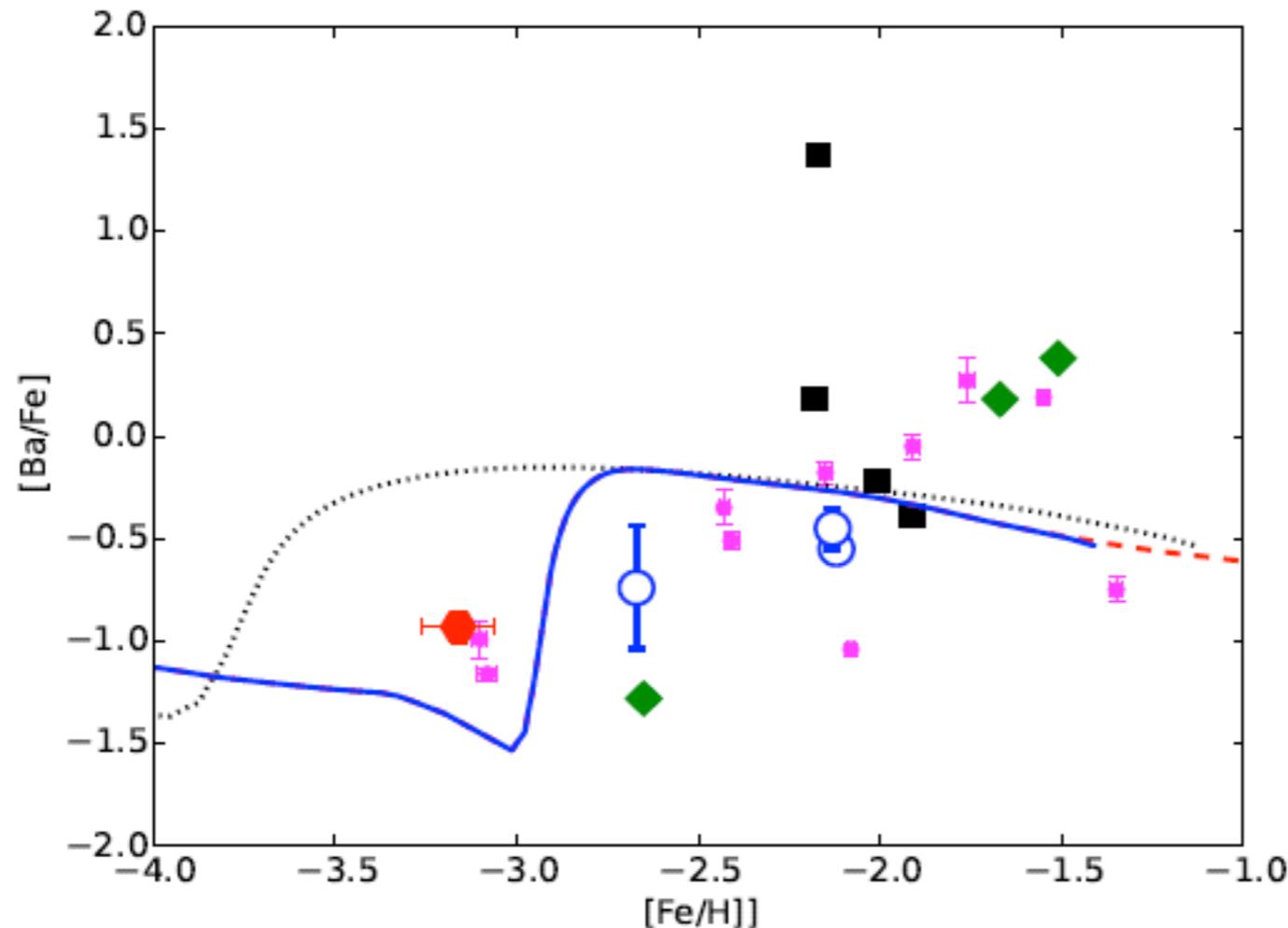
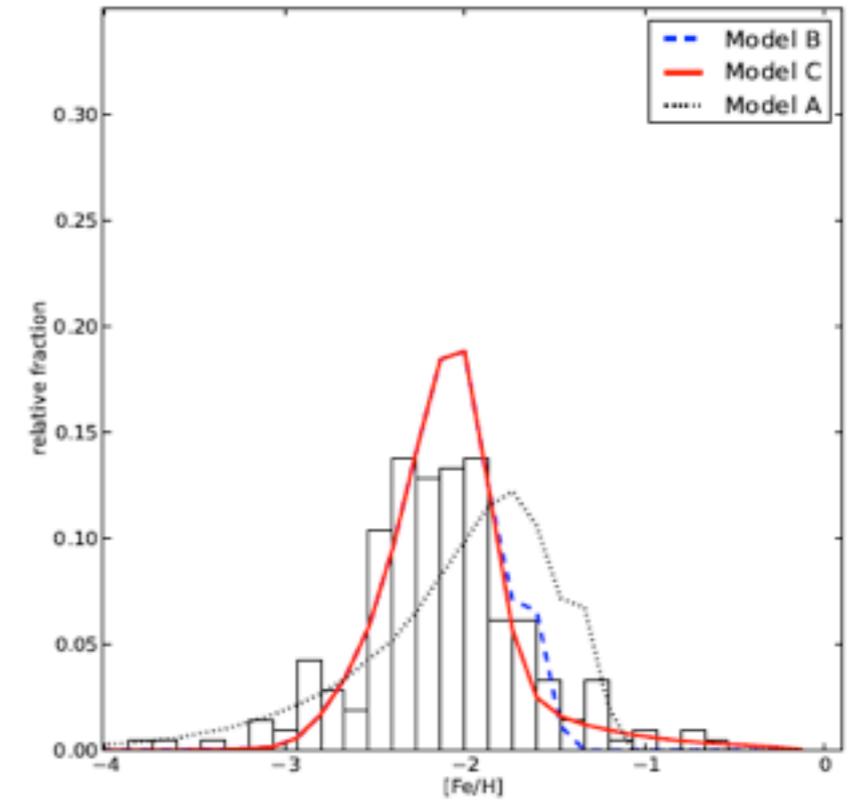


# The dSph satellites of our Galaxy

Ural, GC, Koch et al. (2014, MNRAS submitted)

We have developed recently a model for **Ursa minor**. Each dSph shows a different star formation history. The model assumes the observed SF by Carrera+02 and fix the infall timescale to match the MDF.

The nucleosynthesis is exactly the same as the halo one



 new data by Ural+2014

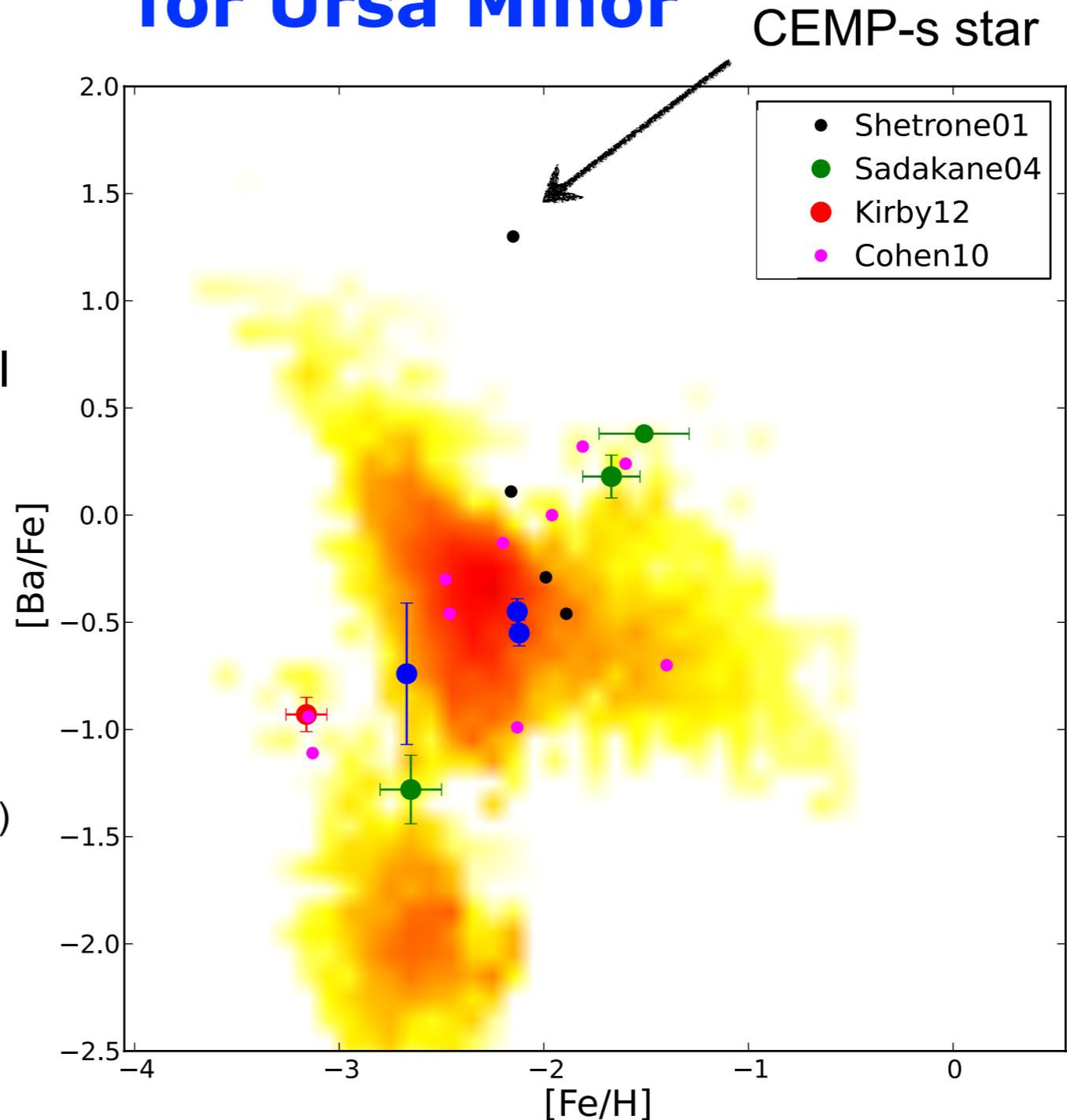
- Shetrone01
- ◆ Sadakane04
- Kirby12
- Cohen10

# First signature Spread in the n.c. elements (Ba) for Ursa Minor

The stochastic model is able to reproduce all the data (they are in the colored area).  
In this case, we show the model for MRD (10%).

More data are important to understand if the distribution of modeled stars in  $[Ba/H]$  is in agreement with observed stars (in the case of the halo we have also investigate this see Cescutti&Chiappini'14)

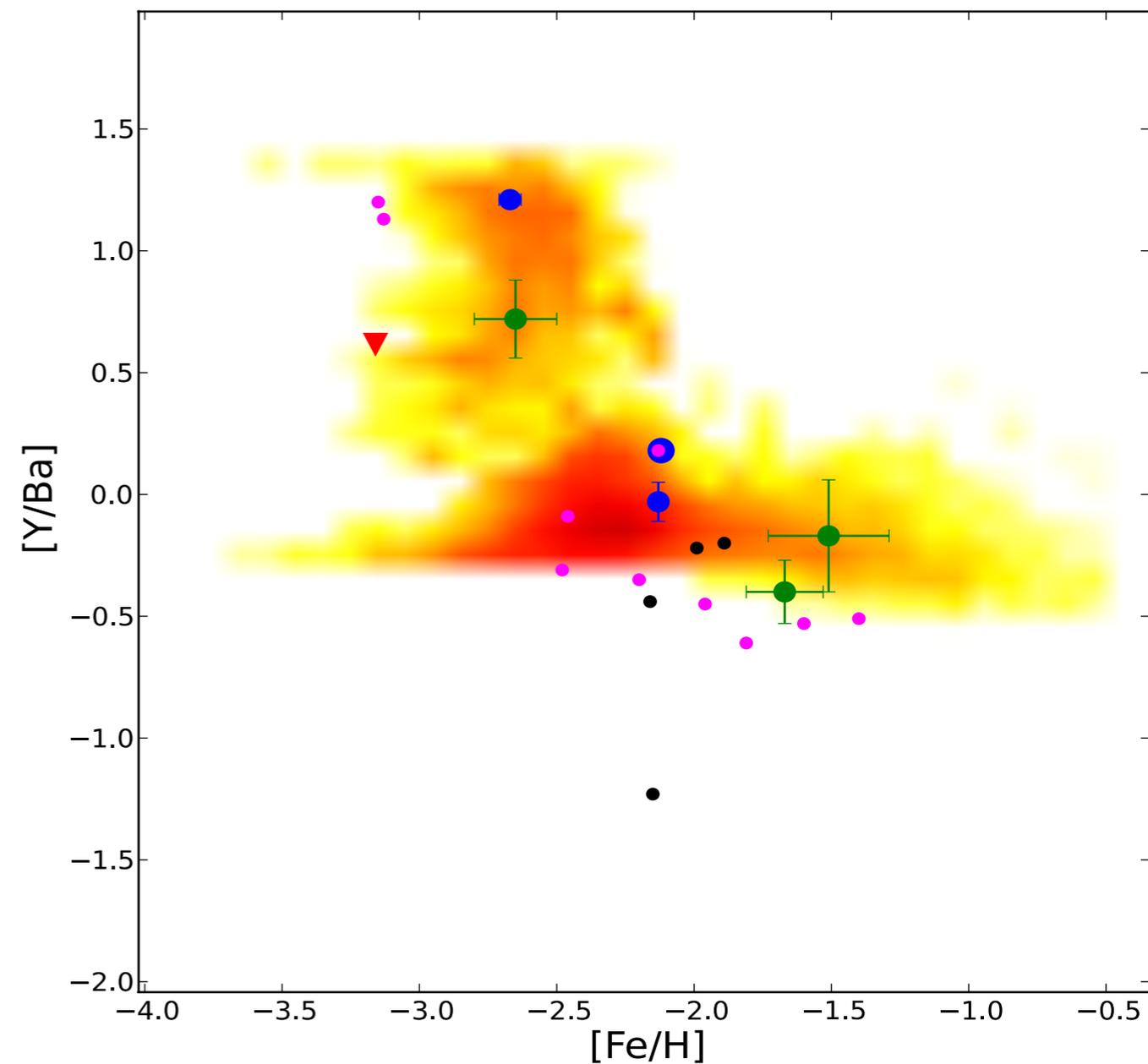
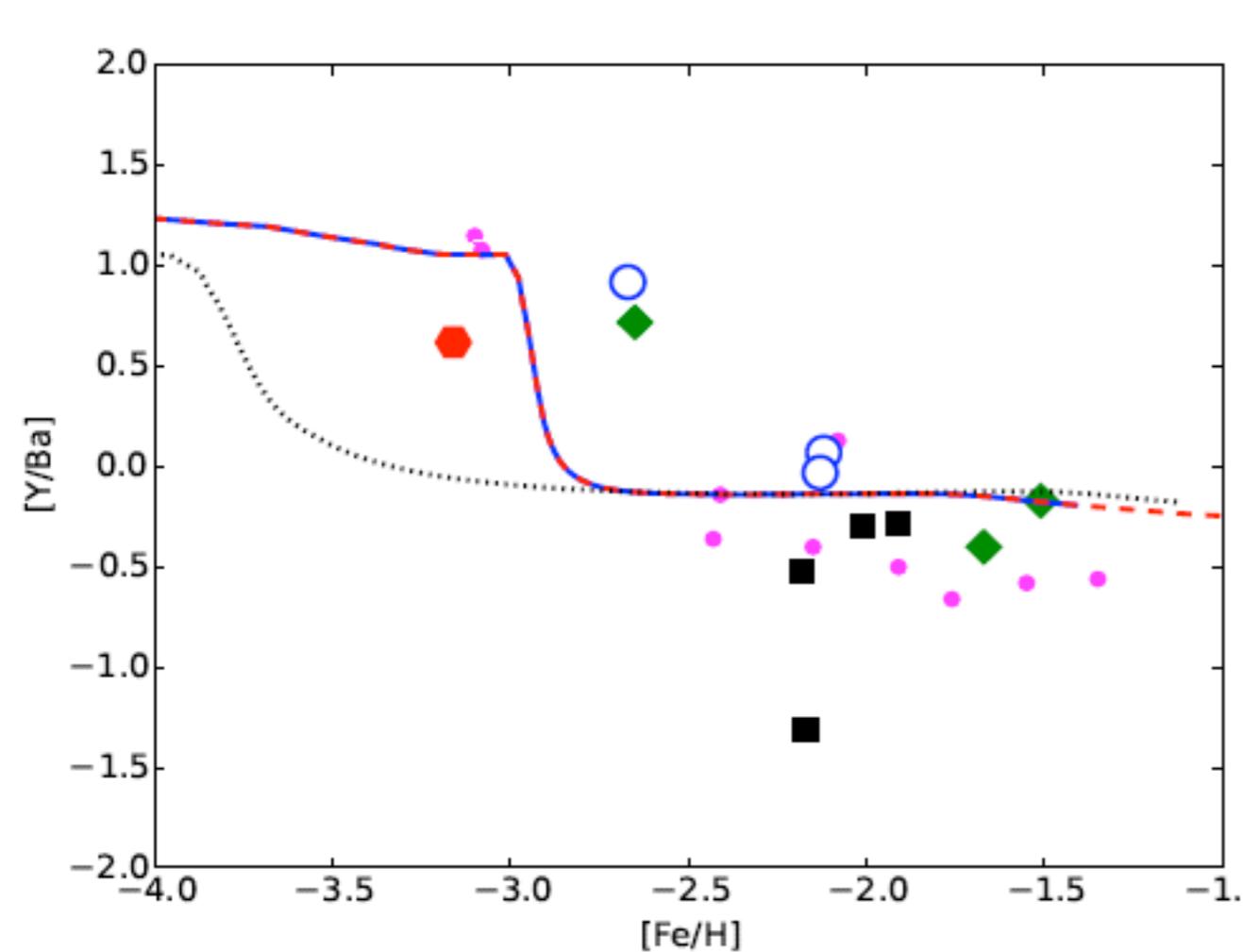
*Cescutti et al. in prep*



● new data by Ural+2014

## Second signature spread in the light to heavy s-process elements in Ursa Minor

We can confirm that the spinstars are important for this dwarf galaxy to explain the spread in  $[Y/Ba]$ .  
No peculiar signature compared to Galactic halo  
(at least not for this dwarf and with the present data)



# The model for an ultra faint dwarf: Hercules

- short SF history (<200Myr)
- strong winds

We constrain the model to match the MDF (and the total stellar mass)  
The nucleosynthesis is **exactly the same as the halo.**

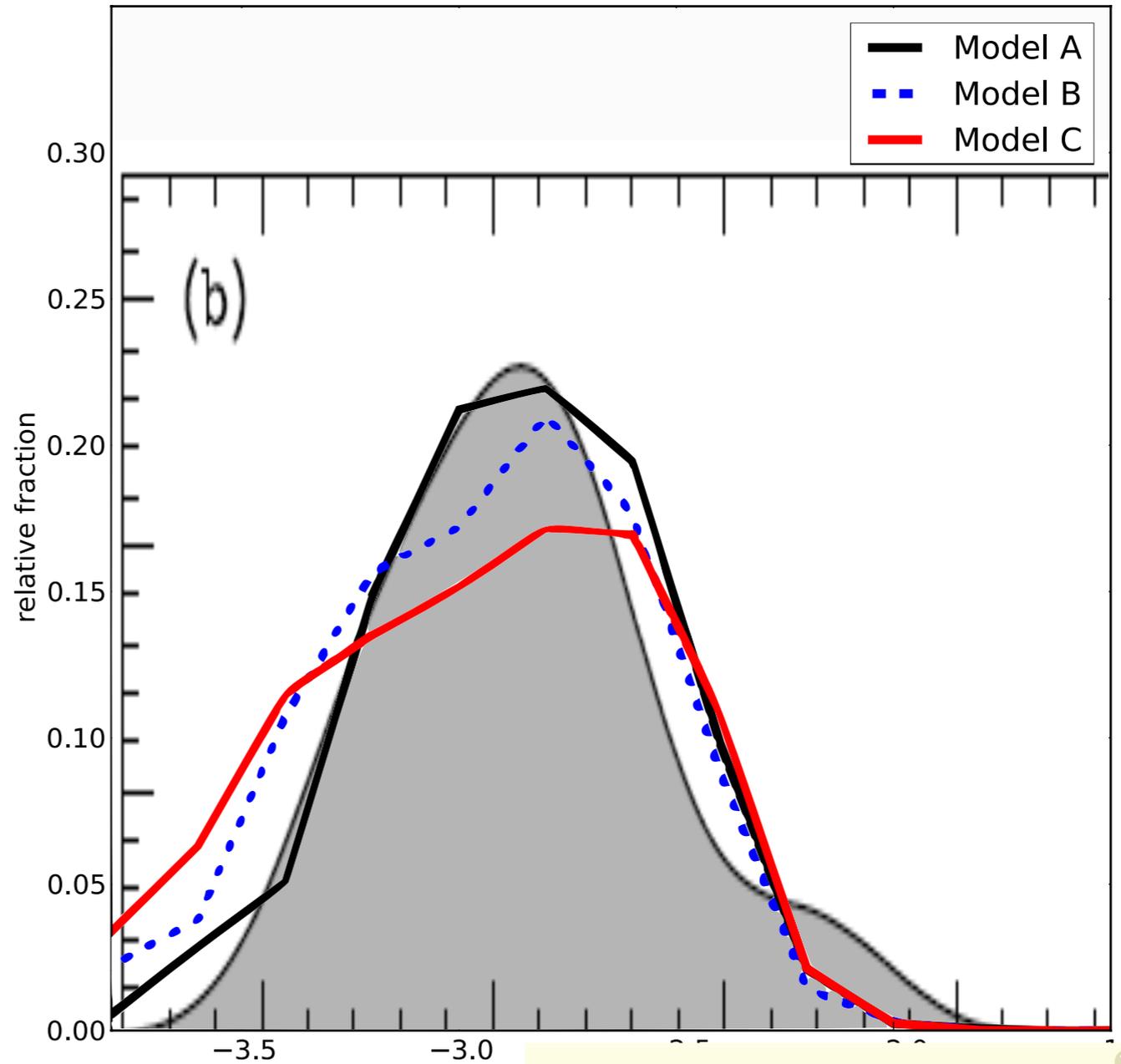
We test two different (initial) total mass of gas.

A :  $1 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Msun}$

B:  $2 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Msun}$

(C :  $5 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Msun}$ )

*preliminary model*



Aden+11

$0.04 \text{ Msun/pc}^2$   
 $0.08 \text{ Msun/pc}^2$   
 $1 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Msun gas}$   
 $2 \cdot 10^2 \text{ Msun}$   
 stelle 0.002

stelle  $0.037 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Msun}$   
 dinamica  $2.6 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Msun}$   
 $\sim 0.01$



# First signature Spread in the n.c. elements (Ba) for Hercules (case B)

MRD scenario:  
10% of SNe produce r-process

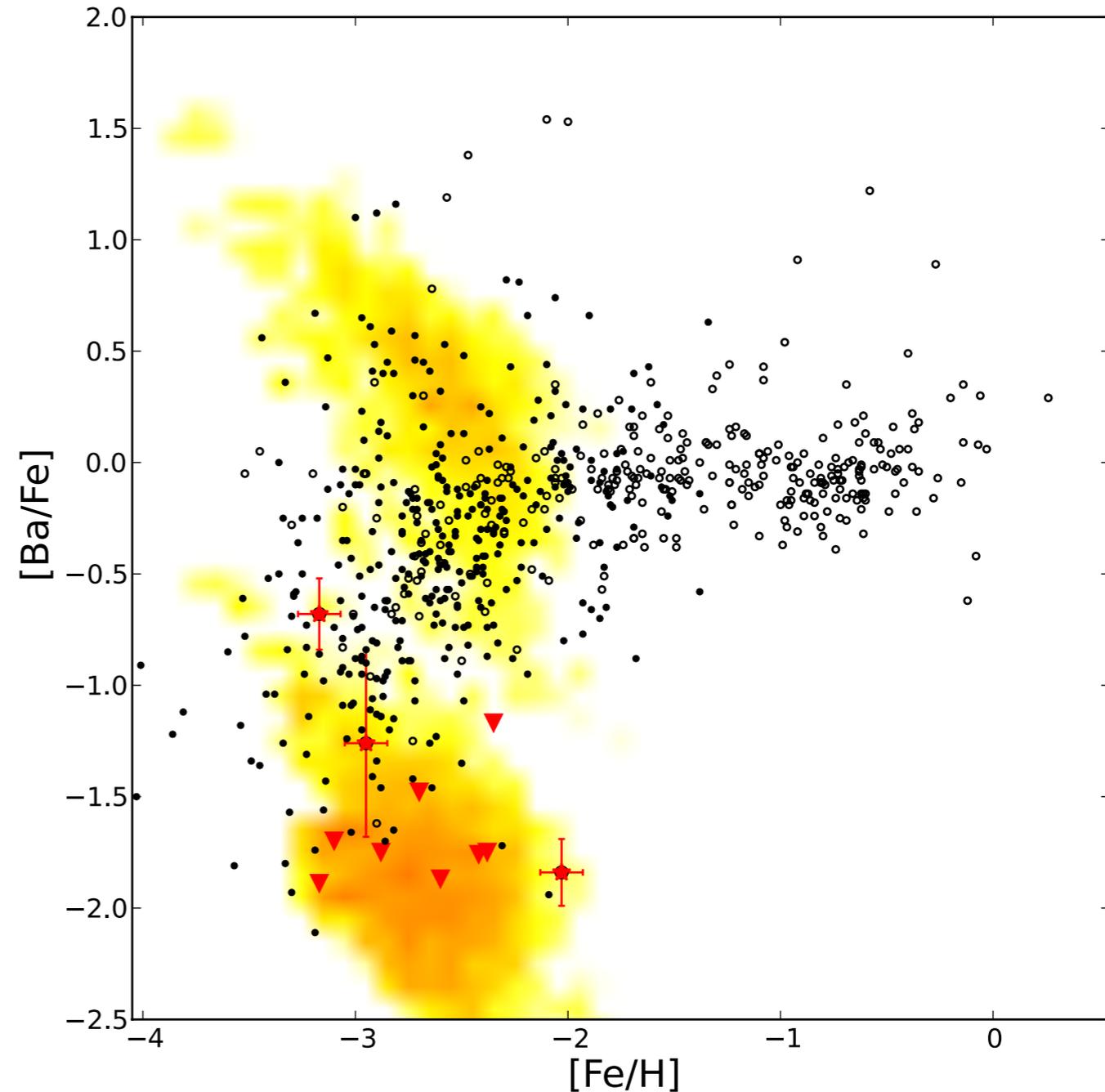
SF is very low due  
low density in this system

rate of massive stars is low



tiny probability to produce a r-  
process event

Enriched mainly by spinstars, with  
a low enrichment of Ba.



● Koch+2013 data &  
▼ upper limits

# First signature Spread in the n.c. elements (Ba) for Hercules (case A)

Model with half of the gas mass compared to model B

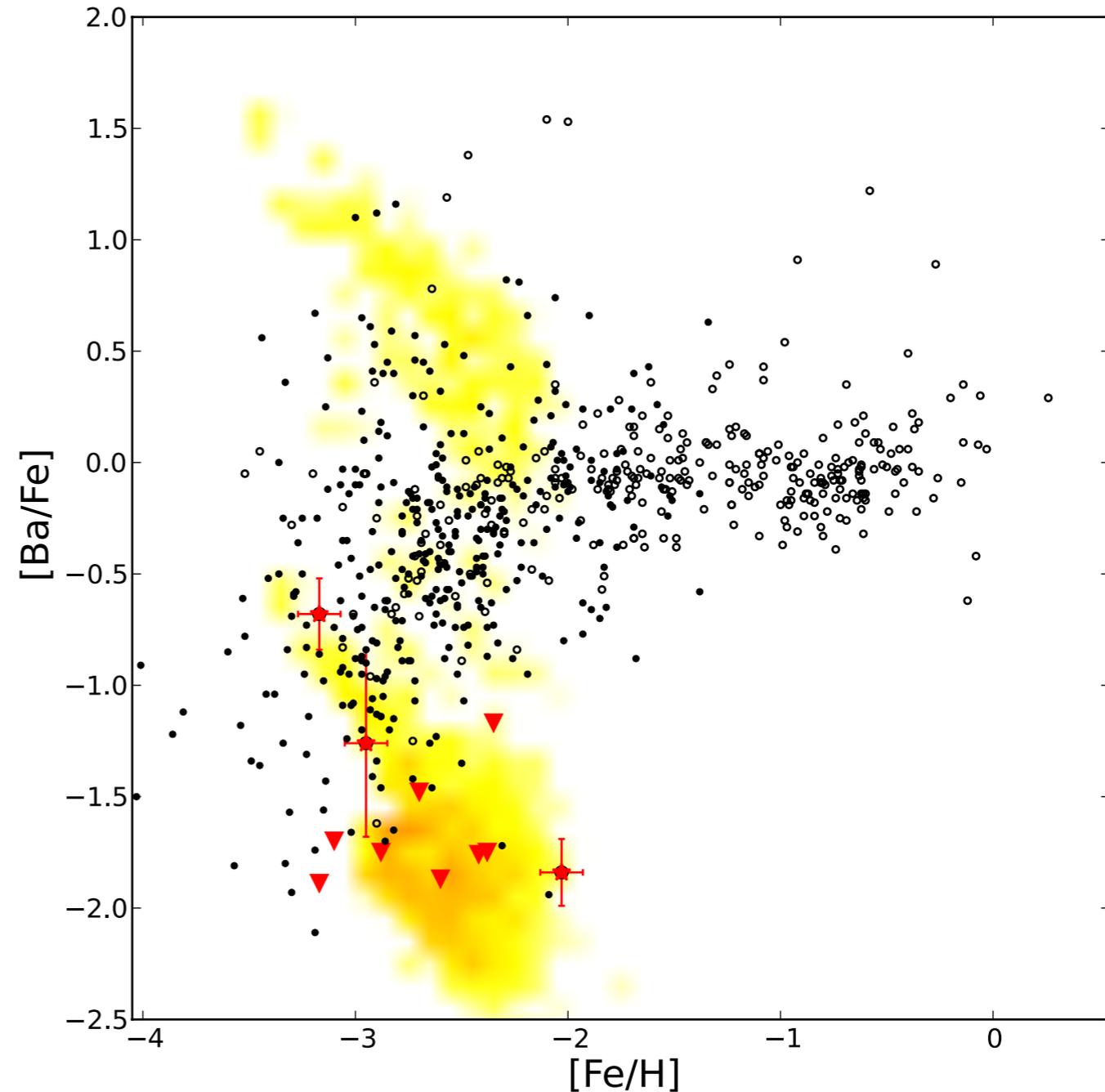
Lower SF rate

Formation of r-process event has an extremely low rate

lower fraction of r-process rich stars

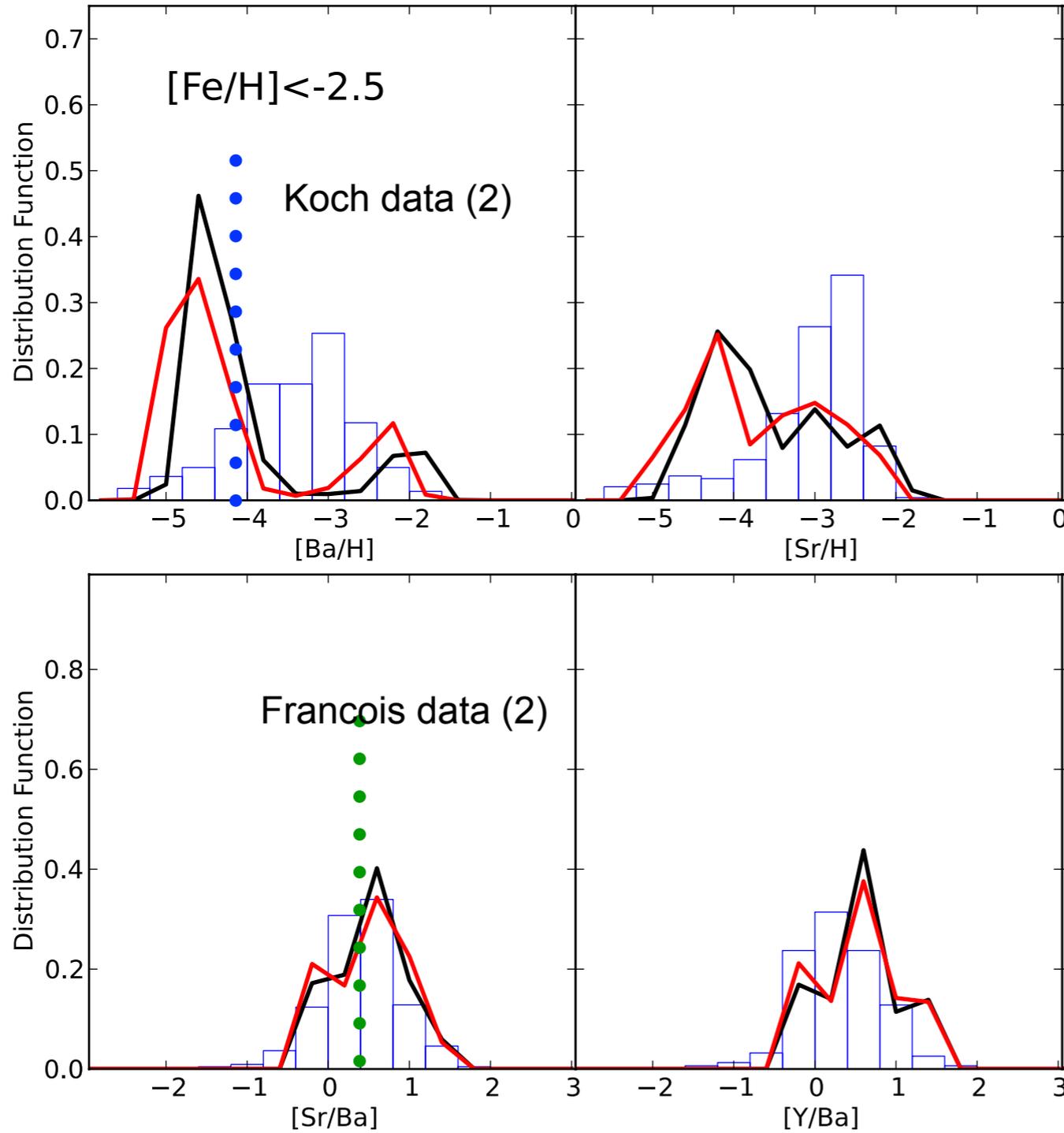
Different from the present data (no observations) but the trend is recovered.

The signature of neutron capture elements does show that UF cannot have formed the Galactic halo.

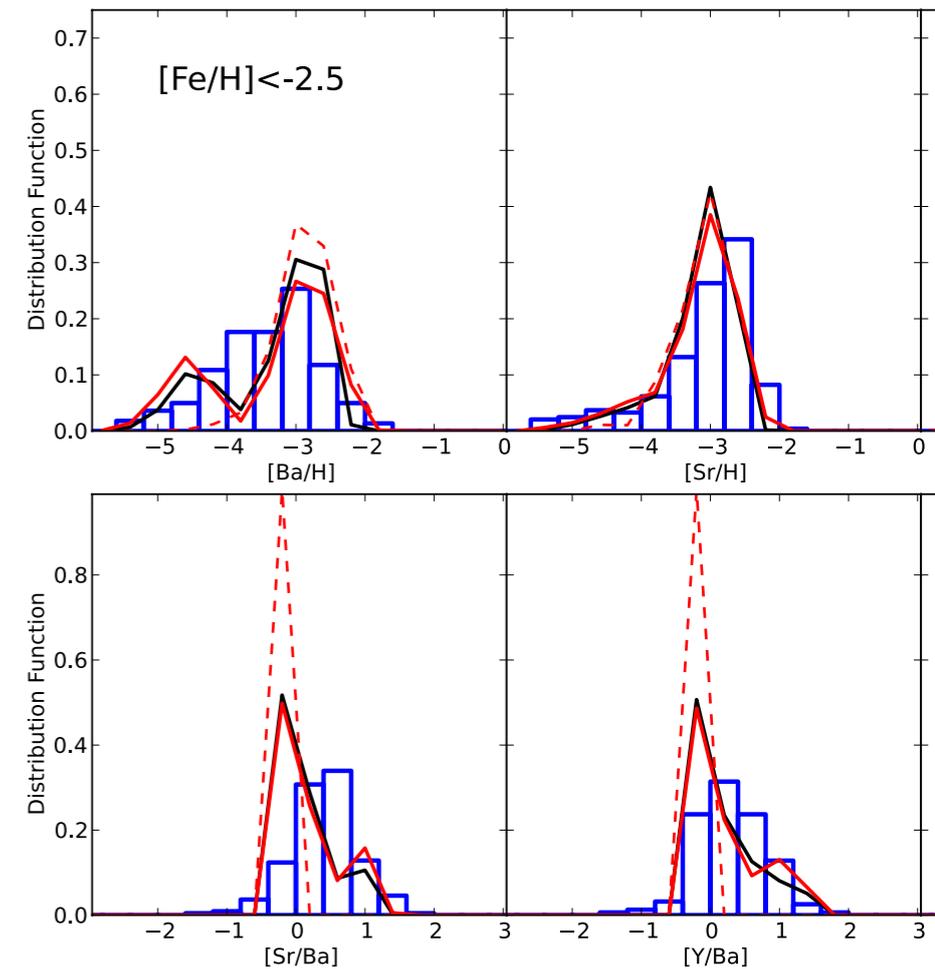


# Hercules

## Distribution functions model A and B



*Results in the halo*  
*Cescutti&Chiappini'14*



## Second signature spread in the light to heavy s-process elements in Hercules

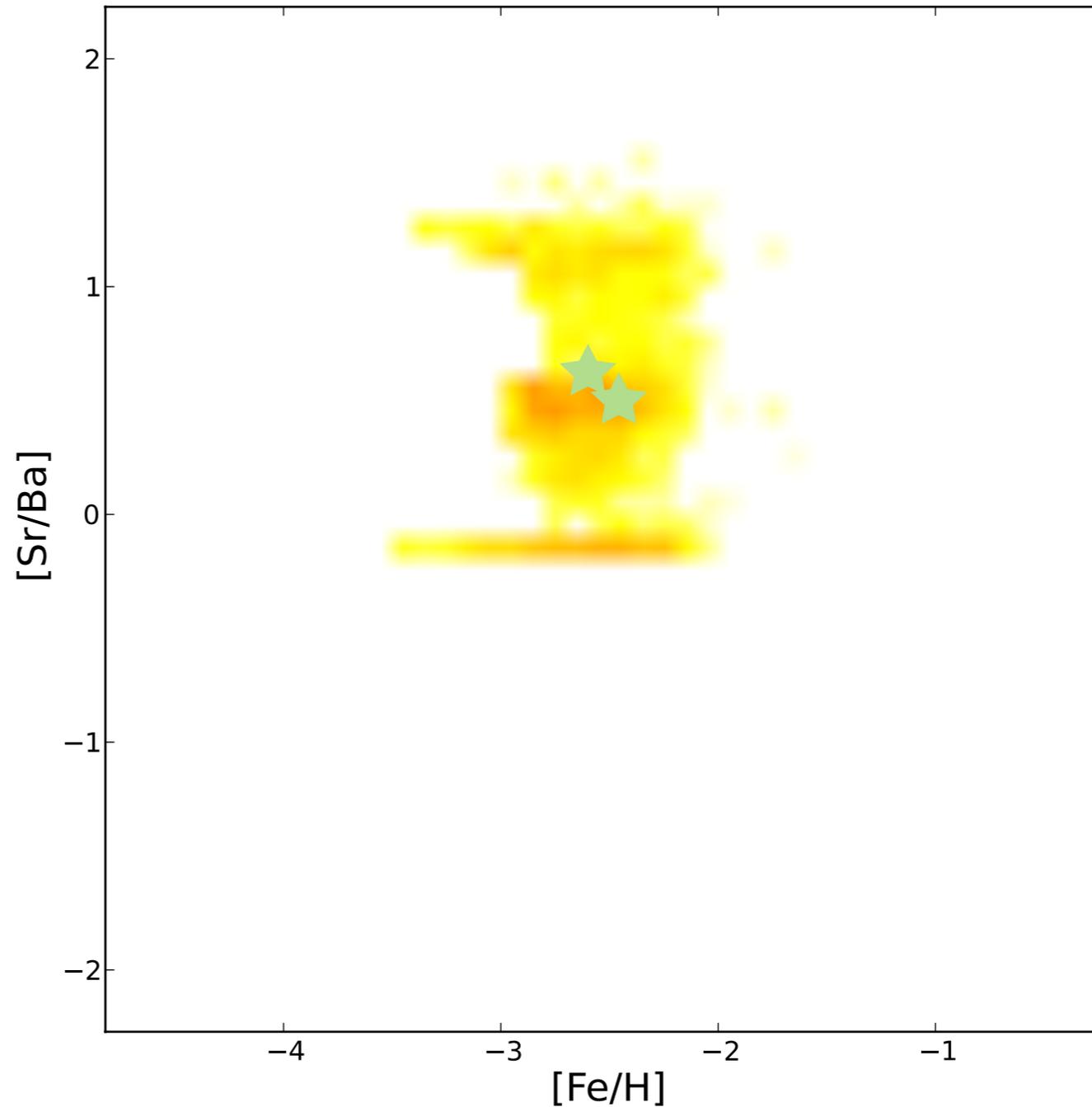
Francois+2012

Difficult to make any strong statement, just 2 data points for Hercules

*(but similar characteristics are observed in other UF dwarfs - Frebel talk)*

At the present, the data we have confirm the necessity to have an s-process production by fast rotating massive stars.

So maybe the first generation(s) of stars was really fast rotating!



# Conclusions

The case of Ursa minor (and at the present of Hercules too) suggests that the contribution of s-process by spinstars is important to explain the observed abundances as in the Galactic halo (more investigation on other dSph needed).

→ First Stars should have been fast rotating.

The neutron capture elements in Hercules ( $[Ba/Fe]$   $[Sr/Fe]$ ) tends to be lower compared to the Galactic halo. This signature is present also in the others UF dwarfs.

→ Only a small fraction can have contributed to the formation of the Galactic halo

*The case of the Hercules (and in general UF dwarfs) is interesting also because they can help constrain the rate of r-process events.*