

LINE-PROFILES OF F SUPERGIANT STARS AS CANDIDATES OF PROTO-PLANETARY NEBULAE

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In this report the results of spectroscopic observations on selected F supergiant stars as the candidates of proto-planetary nebulae (PPNs) are presented. Volk and Kwok(1989) selected nearly one hundred new candidates of PPNs based upon the scenario on the evolution of them. They summarized four classes of stars which should be the PPNs and are described in various papers. These are (i) High galactic latitude supergiants, (ii) Nonvariable OH/IR stars, (iii) Low color temperature infrared objects, and (iv) R CrB. In order to examine the extended envelope of the PPNs we have started our project to obtain the H α profile which should give us some clue to the structure of the envelope. We are mainly concerned with F supergiant stars. Our sample objects are mostly classified as pulsating or semiregular variables.

In August 1990 and February 1991 we observed 7 selected F supergiant stars suggested in the literatures as the candidates for PPNs including UU Her as a typical sample of F-type supergiants. Stellar samples are listed in Table I and were mostly chosen from Volk and Kwok (1989, Table 1) and

TABLE I
The List of Observed Stars

Star Name	Other desig.	RA	DEC	l	b
HD 46703	SAO 25845 BD+53 1040	6 33 49.3	+53 33 36	162	+20
HD 56126	SAO 96709	7 13 25.3	+10 05 09	207	+10
UU Her	SAO 65424 BD+38 2803	16 34 12.2	+38 04 05	64	+41
HD 161796	SAO 30548 BD+50 2457	17 43 41.3	50 03 48	77	+31
HD 163506	SAO 85545 89 Her	17 53 24.0	+26 03 23	51	+23
IRAS 18095+2704	—	18 09 31.0	+27 04 30	54	+20
HD 179821	SAO 124414 AFGL 2343	19 11 25.0	+00 02 18	36	-05
HD 187885	SAO 163075	19 50 00.7	-17 09 38	24	-21

from Luck and Bond (1984). We have obtained various types of H α profiles.

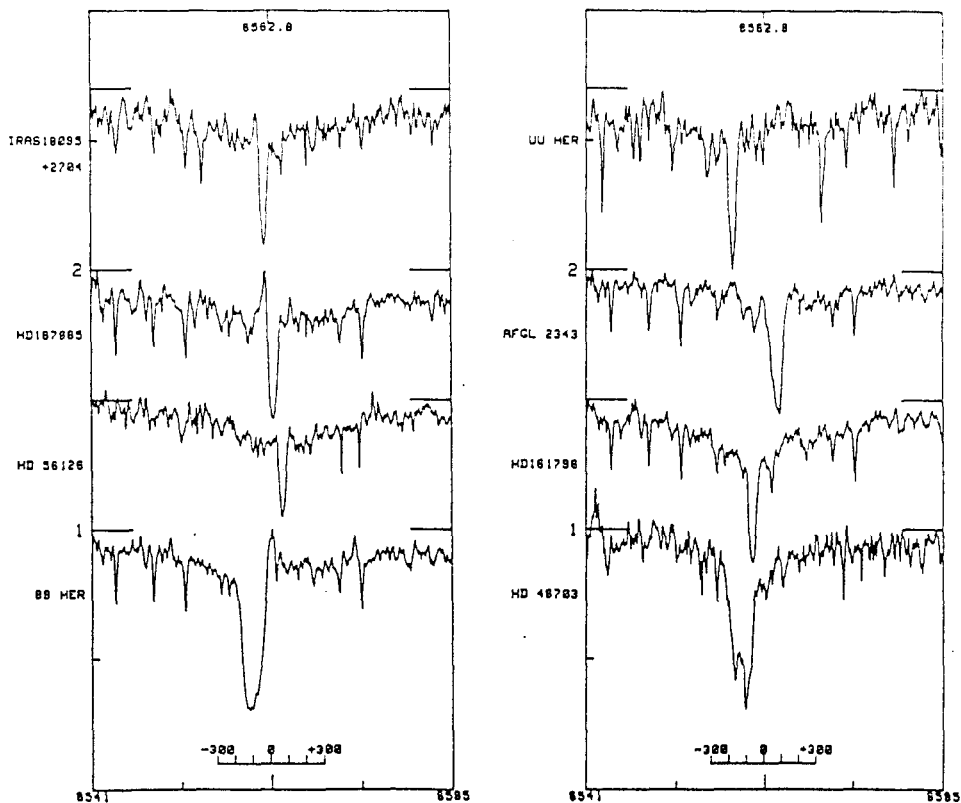


Fig. 1. Obtained $H\alpha$ profiles of eight F supergiant stars. The abscissa is the wavelength referred to the heliocentric system together with the velocity scale. The ordinate is an arbitrary intensity.

They are displayed in Fig. 1. The express report and a short discussion about these stars was already presented by Tamura and Takeuti (1991) and more detailed description on observed data are given in another place (Tamura et al. 1992) together with related data previously obtained.

a. Types of $H\alpha$ profiles: As shown in Fig. 1, the $H\alpha$ profiles consist of absorption and emission components in complicated way. They show clear evidence of activity of extended atmosphere and they are considered to be candidates of PPNs.

b. Time variations: In addition to a wide variety of the $H\alpha$ profiles we have noticed their time variations ranging over different time spans.

c. Radial velocities: We can identify a couple of absorption lines like the FeI λ 6569, FeII λ 6516, and CII λ 6587 as well as the H α in the wavelength range of our spectra. We have estimated the radial velocities for our sample stars.

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