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The Age of the Local Interstellar Bubble

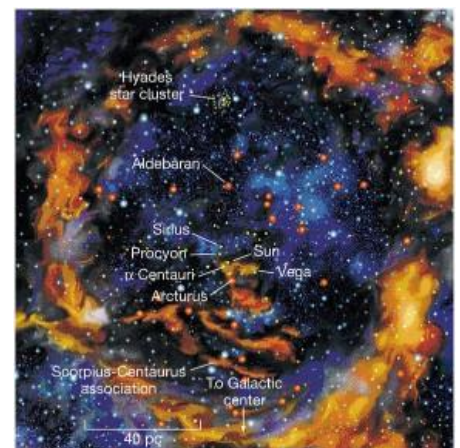
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Abstract

Few people know that the solar system happens to be at the center of an interstellar bubble that is virtually devoid of gas. That gas was blown out by supernovae, and we can determine when they occurred.



All are welcome! Tea, coffee, biscuits will be served at 2:45 P.M.

You are welcome to nominate speakers to Shude Mao (shude.mao@gmail.com), Licai Deng (licai@bao.ac.cn), Xuelei Chen (xuelei@cosmology.bao.ac.cn).