



# Eruptive stars spectroscopy

## Cataclysmics, Symbiotics, Novae



**ARAS Eruptive Stars**

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## R Aqr Campaign

### Status 3 days before observations

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### Chandra/HST scheduled observations

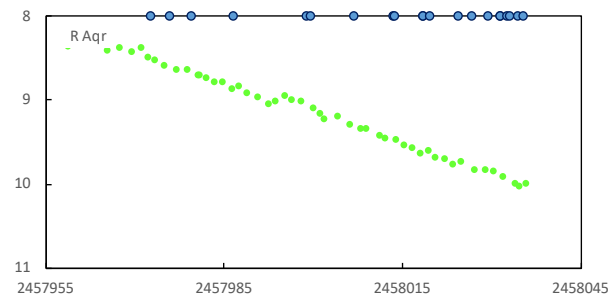
October 11, 2017 (Wed)	Day 284
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# R Aqr

Coordinates (2000.0)	
R.A.	23 43 49.4
Dec	-15 17 4.2
Mag	10.5 (10-2016)



### Observations requested by Margarita Karovska

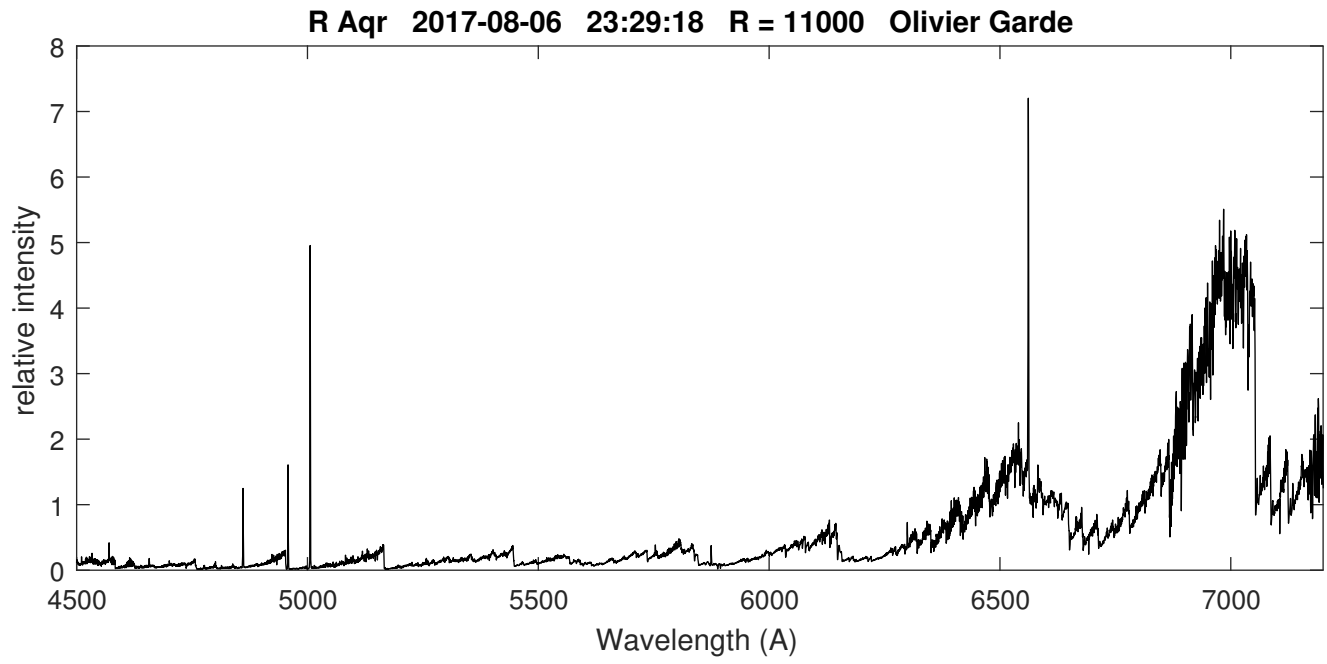
Having R Aqr spectra starting in August , one per week, and more often during the observation in October, and then one per week until mid-November (December) would be really good. I just got the "likely" dates for the Chandra/HST observations.

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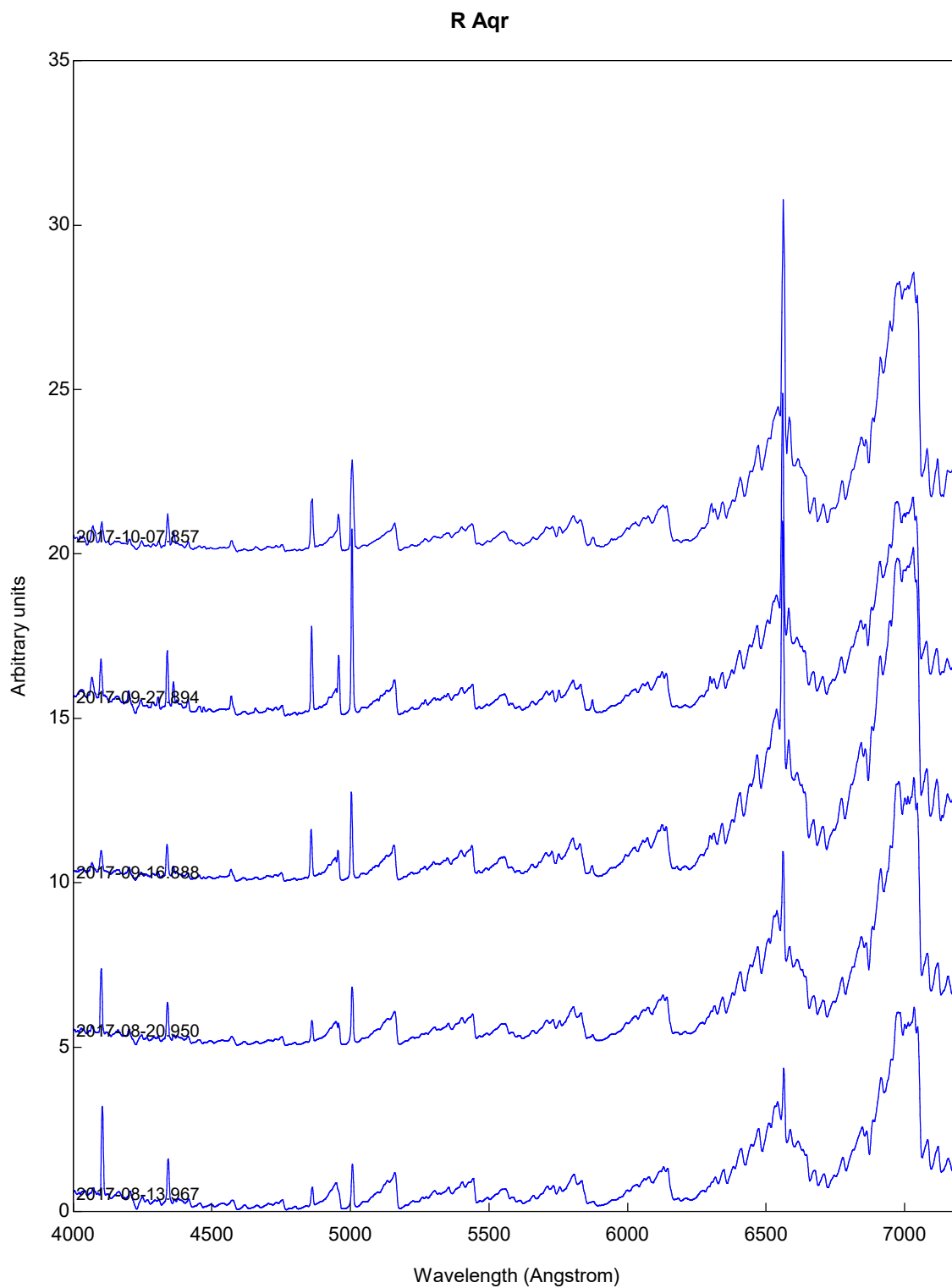
Log of observations - 2017, Aug. - Oct

Id.	Observer	Date	Range	Res.
R Aqr	O. Garde	06/08/2017	4186 7314	11000
R Aqr	T. Lester	10/08/2017	4031 7950	13000
R Aqr	F. Campos	13/08/2017	3803 7332	709
R Aqr	F. Campos	20/08/2017	3859 7403	701
R Aqr	T. Lester	02/09/2017	4031 7950	13000
R Aqr	F. Teyssier	02/09/2017	4140 7395	11000
R Aqr	T. Lester	10/09/2017	4031 7950	13000
R Aqr	F. Campos	16/09/2017	3804 7347	637
R Aqr	T. Lester	17/09/2017	4031 7949	13000
R Aqr	P. Berardi	21/09/2017	4752 5240	4052
R Aqr	U. Sollecchia	21/09/2017	6375 6770	7838
R Aqr	F. Teyssier	22/09/2017	4320 7150	11000
R Aqr	F. Campos	27/09/2017	3816 7358	843
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R Aqr	O. Garde	29/09/2017	4186 7314	11000
R Aqr	U. Sollecchia	02/10/2017	6365 6751	7480
R Aqr	U. Sollecchia	04/10/2017	6368 6757	8213
R Aqr	F. Teyssier	04/10/2017	4141 7395	11000
R Aqr	U. Sollecchia	05/10/2017	6368 6759	7992
R Aqr	DongLi	06/10/2017	6405 6739	4981
R Aqr	L. Franco	07/10/2017	3841 7231	541
R Aqr	U. Sollecchia	08/10/2017	6386 6767	7935



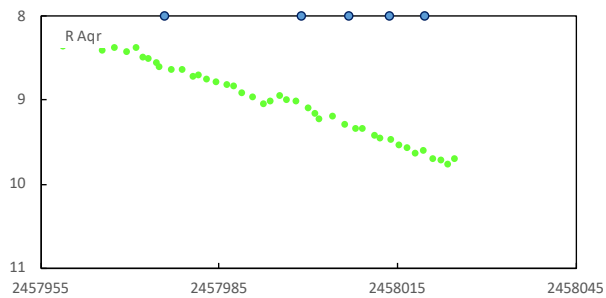
# R Aqr Evolution Aug. to Oct., 2017 - Low res spectra

Spectra acquired by Lorenzo Franco and Fran Campos

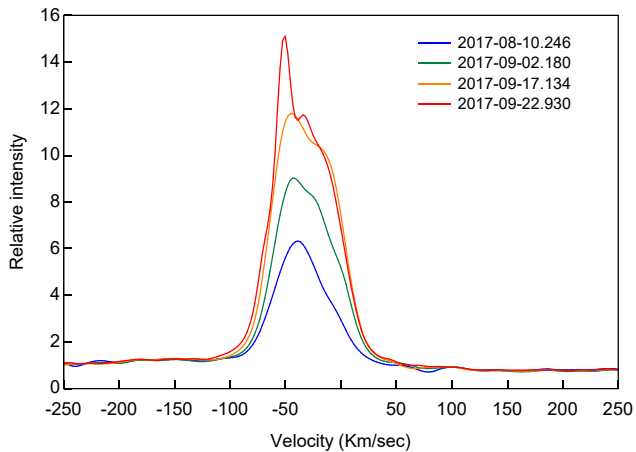


# R Aqr Lines evolution from Echelle spectra R =11to 13000

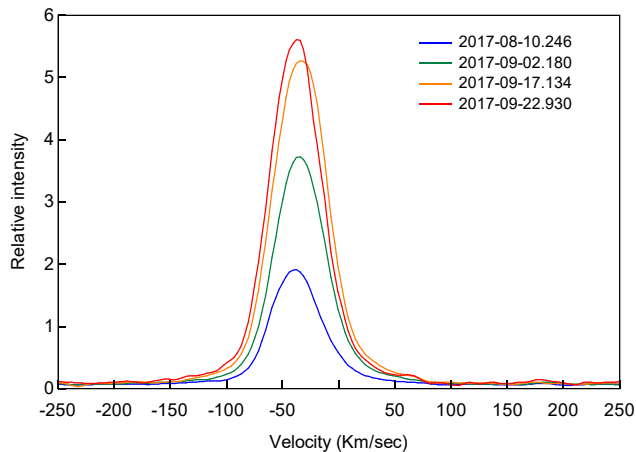
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22/09/2017	2458019.444	FMT



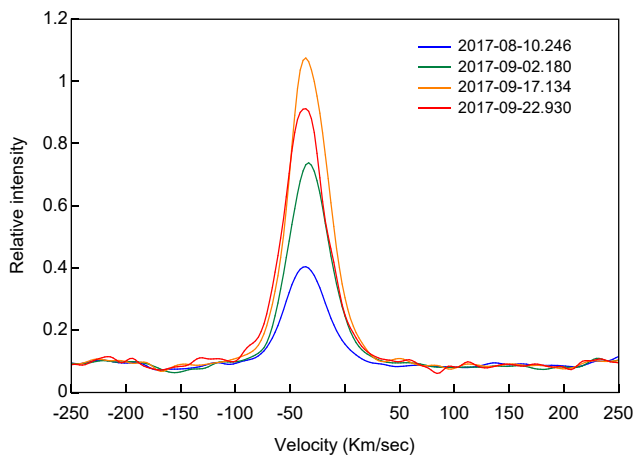
**Halpha 6562.801 - R Aqr**



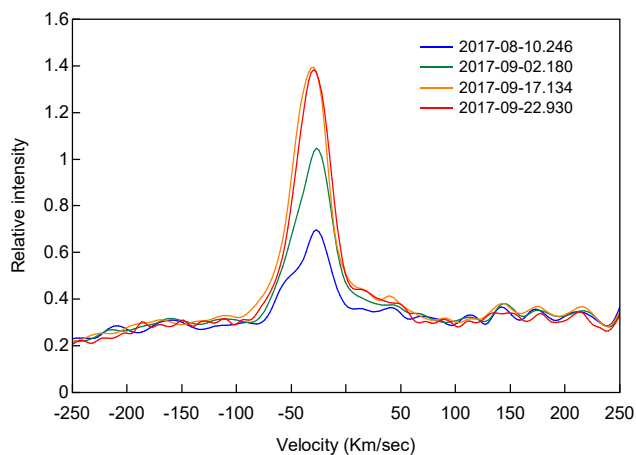
**Hbeta 4861.363 - R Aqr**



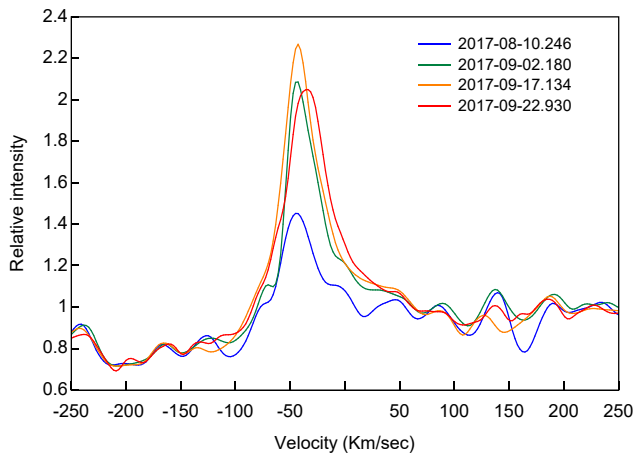
**He I 5875.65 - R Aqr**



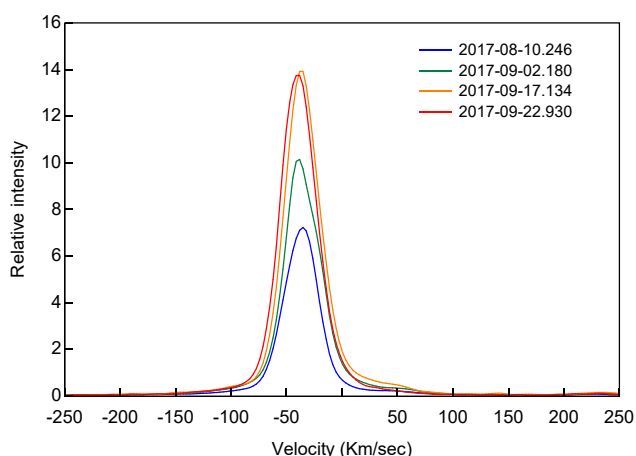
**[O I] 6300.32 - R Aqr**



**[N II] 6583.39 - R Aqr**



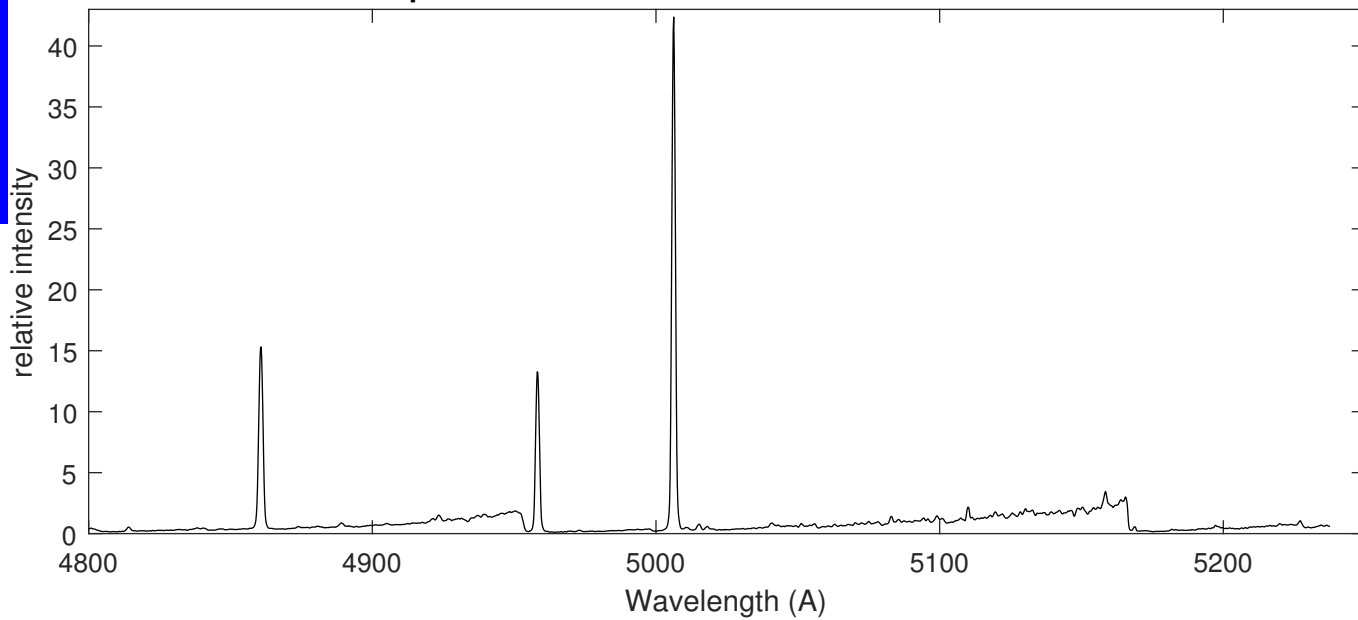
**[O III] 5006.84 - R Aqr**



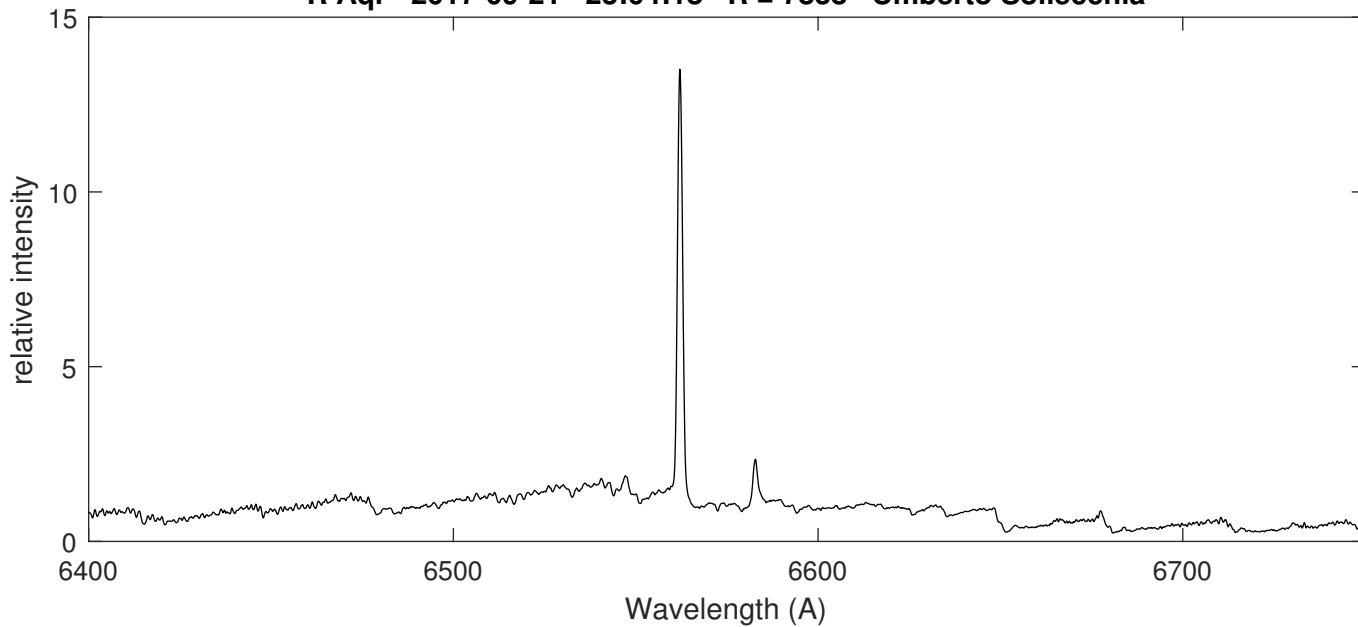
# R Aqr

H alpha and H beta ranges respectively obtained by Paolo Berardi (Lhires III - 1200 l/mm) and Umberto Sollecchia

**R Aqr 2017-09-21 20:22:18 R = 4052 Paolo Berardi**

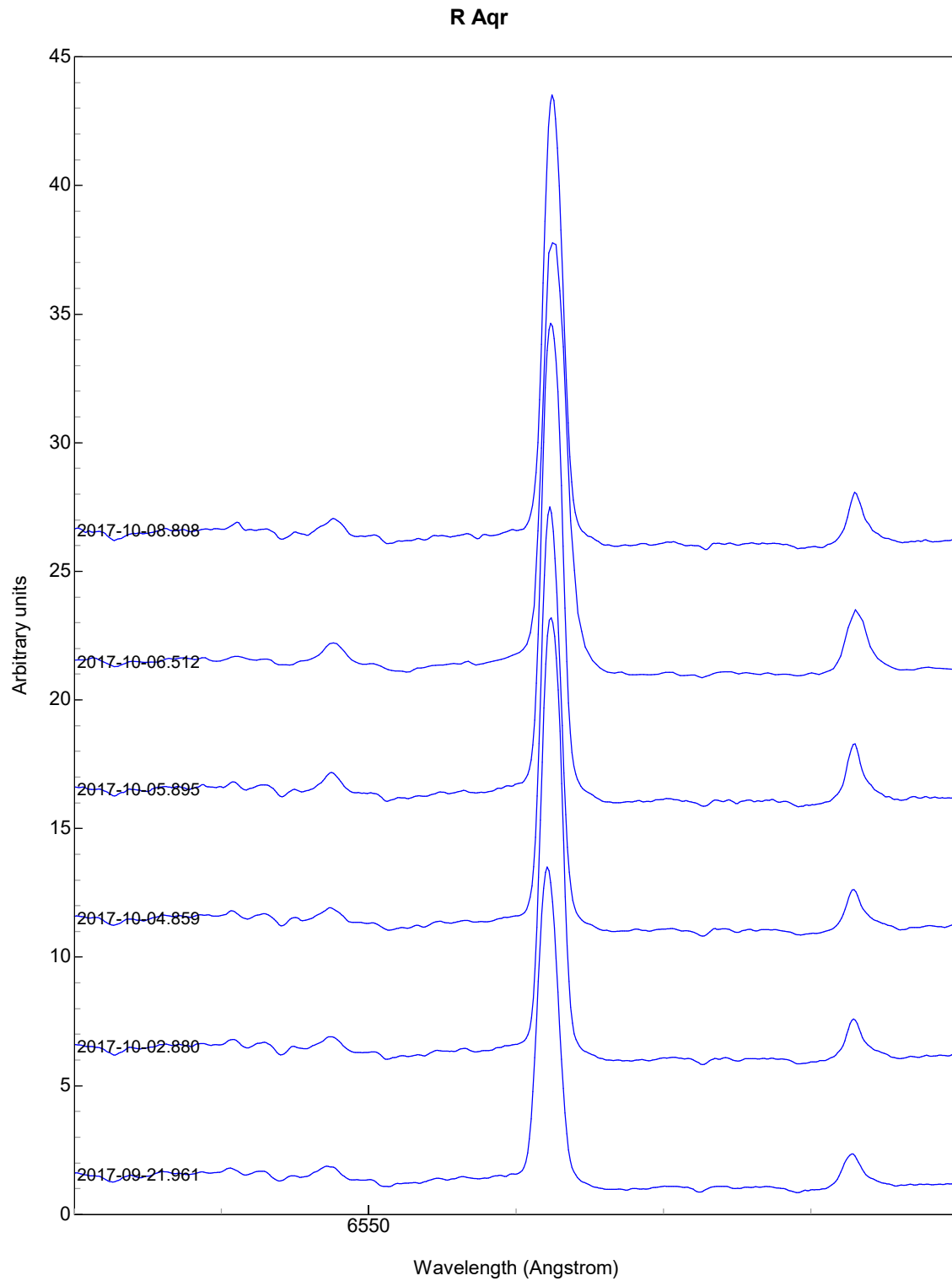


**R Aqr 2017-09-21 23:04:18 R = 7838 Umberto Sollecchia**



# R Aqr H alpha range medium resolution

H alpha range at medium resolution (R = 5000 to 8000) by Umberto Sollecchia and Dong Li

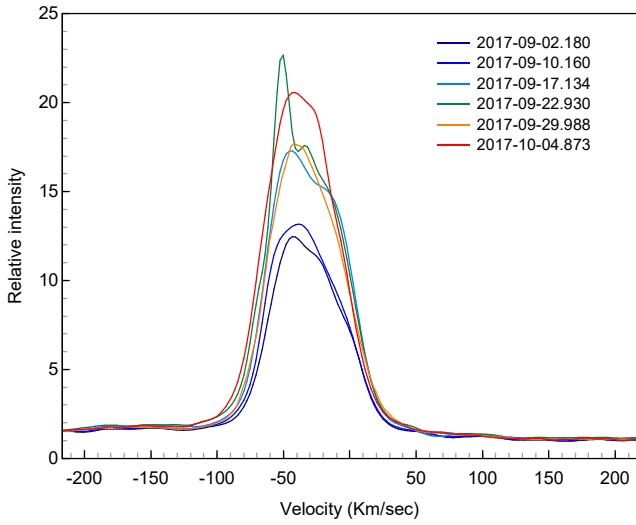


# R Aqr Lines evolution Sept - Oct, 2017

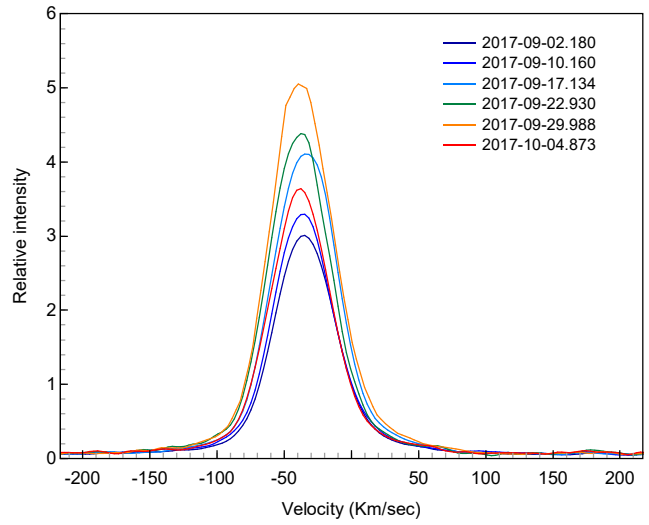
Lines evolution from Echelle spectra - Resolution 11 to 13000

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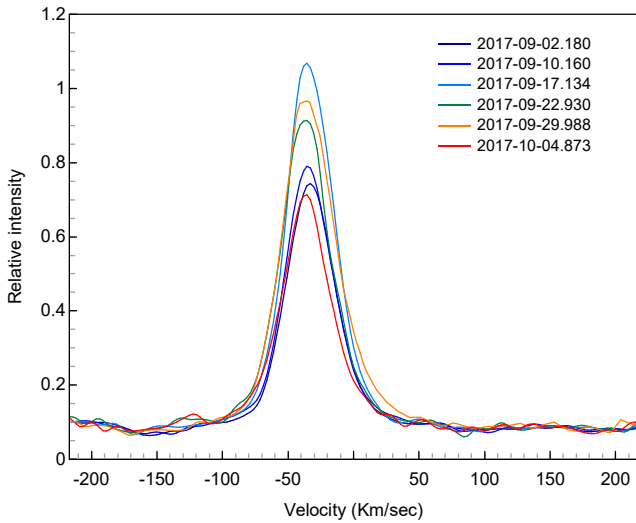
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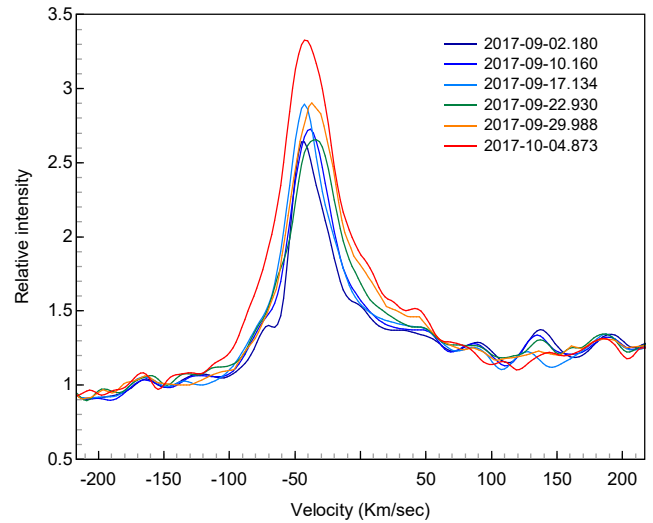
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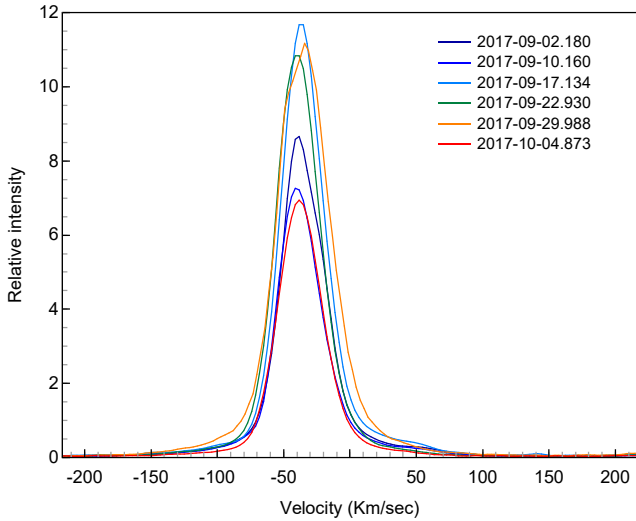
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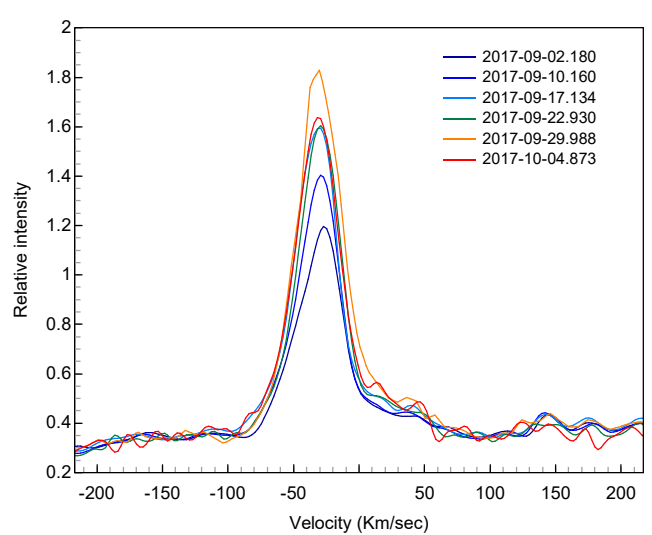
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**ARAS Database for R Aqr: [http://www.astrosurf.com/aras/Aras\\_DataBase/Symbiotics/RAqr.htm](http://www.astrosurf.com/aras/Aras_DataBase/Symbiotics/RAqr.htm)**

## **FROM AAVSO Notice#589**

August 4, 2017: Dr. Margarita Karovska (Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics) has requested "visual, photometric, and spectroscopic observations of the symbiotic variable R Aqr in preparation for and in support of Chandra and HST observations currently scheduled for October 2017."

Dr. Karovska continues: "R Aqr is the nearest symbiotic system at a distance of only about 200 pc. It contains a white dwarf accreting from a mass-losing Mira-type star with binary separation of about 20 AU. The aim of the multiwavelength observations of this fascinating object is to study the physical characteristics of this system and including the multi-scale components of the powerful jet, from the central binary region to the jet-circumbinary material interaction region and beyond.

"AAVSO observations are requested in order to monitor the state of the system and correlate with the satellite observations.

"Visual observations and CCD/PEP observations in the U, B, V, I, J, and H bands are requested." DSLR photometry is also welcome.

"Optical spectroscopy, including in the Halpha, [OIII]5007A region is also requested.

"Also requested is high-speed photometry in U and B bands (a cadence of as low as a few seconds would be ideal, but a cadence of about a minute may also be all right) to reveal any possible high-speed variations in the central binary.

"Weekly observations now through...November would be very much appreciated, with increased frequency of observations to twice a week..." beginning four weeks before the Chandra and HST observations and continuing at that frequency until the end of the campaign. "This [level of coverage] will provide solid optical data crucial to interpreting the satellite data."