

A SYNOPTIC VIEW OF THE MAGELLANIC CLOUDS:  
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## **Star formation in LMC-N44 magnified**

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We present high spatial resolution near-infrared imaging of the star forming complex N44 in the Large Magellanic Cloud. The sensitivity and spatial resolution gained in our observations allowed us to study pre-main sequence stars, identified from colour-magnitude diagramme analysis, down to sub-solar masses.