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# Where am I on the "dust evolution" scale?

- A mix of stage 2, 3, 4 and 5
  - Extremely annoyed (it is getting in the way even at  $\lambda=1$ mm...)
  - Accepting (its there...)
  - Stage 4 and 5: We need to probe dust to understand rapidly growing galaxies near and far

Starbursts and growing supermassive black holes are enshrouded in dust



## Outline

- Dusty luminous galaxies what are they and why do we care?
- How can we study them?
- Extremely opaque dust nuclei -the CONs!
- Dusty outflows
- Conclusions

# LIRGs and ULIRGs – dusty luminous galaxies

- Luminous and Ultraluminous Infrared Galaxies, (U)LIRGs, are dusty galaxies with IR luminosities L<sub>IR</sub>>10<sup>10-11</sup> and >10<sup>12</sup> L<sub>sun</sub>
- (U)LIRGs are often interacting and are fundamental to galaxy mass assembly over cosmic time (e.g. Elbaz & Cesarsky 2003; Sanders & Mirabel 1996).
  - U/LIRGs start dominating the SF density with increasing z
- Some (U)LIRGS have even more embedded nuclei that harbour a very active evolutionary stage of AGNs and/or starbursts.
  - The nuclear activity will often drive mechanical feedback in the form of molecular winds, jets and outflows (e.g. Banerji et al. 2012; Fabian 1999; González-Alfonso et al. 2012).

Dynamical simulation



Gallery of interacting ULIRGS (HST)





#### Winds and jets





The Antennae: 100 μm PACS on HST (Klaas +10)

## **HOW STUDY U/LIRGS?**

## Mid-IR properties of LIRGs



- Large range in PAH EQW, silicate absorption, mid-IR slope
  - Obscuration
  - Evolution with merger stage
  - PDRs, ionization rates, grain sizes
  - Compactness and temperature
  - PAHs: gas tracer on global scales (Poster 175)
- Mid-IR imaging to reveal buried AGN (e.g. Martinez-Paredes+17)

Comparison of average LIRG and ULIRG spectra to average submillimeter galaxy spectra from Menéndez-Delmestre et al. (Stierwalt+13)

## Mid-IR properties of LIRGs

#### • 9.7 μm silicate absorption

- Obscured galaxy nuclei and/or cold diffuse foreground dust?
- Amorphous or crystalline silicates, SiC (see e.g. Kemper+04, Spoon+06, Roche+15) poster 109 (Kemper) – link to massive stars/cosmic ray processing
- Mid-IR water ice features In most obscured U/LIRGs (Spoon+01)
  - Evolutionary sequence from obscured systems showing ice features – to evolved PAH in luminous LIRGs with PDRs?
- Steeper **mid-IR slopes** in more compact distributions with warmer dust
- Molecular lines e.g. 14 μm absorption line of HCN (Lahuis+07)



thin solid (red) and dashed (blue) lines represent fits to the TReCS spectrum using the *u* Con and Tranezium silicate profiles, respectively. Silicate profile of LIRG NGC4418 (Roche+15)



Spoon+07

## FIR emission and absorption

- 50-200 μm continuum reveal *embedded* star formation.
  - Star formation laws.
- Dust spectral energy distributions SEDs peaks
  - dust content, dust-to-gas ratios, dust temperatures
- high-J CO and HCN, H<sub>2</sub>O, OH, OH<sup>+</sup>, H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> probe
  - Molecular gas excitation and chemistry
  - Dust grain processing
  - Dynamics Infall/outflow (Sturm+11, Veilleux+13)



Herschel SPIRE spectrum of the quasar Mrk231 (van der Werf +10 The Antennae: 100 μm Herschel PACS on HST (Klaas et al 2010)



The rich water spectra of NGC4418 and Arp220 (Gonzalez-Alfonso et al 2012)



# Dust and molecules at mm/submm wavelengths

ALMA/NOEMA/SMA - with ALMA at extremely high spatial resolution – 20 milli arcseconds

#### Spiral arms and bars

Flocculent - Grand design Strong/weak - Nested

#### Interactions

Polar rings, dust lanes, counterrotating and infalling gas Tidal gas "Overlap regions" Nuclear gas - Outflows and winds

Molecules probe e.g.

- dust grain processing, SiO, H<sub>2</sub>S, CH<sub>3</sub>OH etc
- Stellar enrichment <sup>18</sup>O, <sup>13</sup>C etc
- proxies for buried NIR/MIR energy densities





Sakamoto +14

Bolatto +13



## Extragalactic molecules: >60 detected

2 atoms	3 atoms	4 atoms	5 atoms	6 atoms	7 atoms	8 atoms	>8 atoms
OH	H <sub>2</sub> O	H <sub>2</sub> CO	$c-C_3H_2$	CH₃OH	CH₃CCH	HC <sub>6</sub> H	c-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> *
CO	HCN	$NH_3$	HC₃N	CH₃CN	$CH_3NH_2$		C60* (?)
$H_2^*$	HCO+	HNCO	CH <sub>2</sub> NH	$HC_4H *$	CH <sub>3</sub> CHO		
СН	C <sub>2</sub> H	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> *	NH <sub>2</sub> CN	HC(O)NH	$_2$ HC <sub>5</sub> N		
CS	HNC	H <sub>2</sub> CS ?	$I-C_3H_2$				Caffeine
CH+ **	$N_2H^+$	HOCO⁺	H <sub>2</sub> CCN				
CN	OCS	c-C₃H	H <sub>2</sub> CCO				
SO	HCO	H <sub>3</sub> O⁺	$C_4H$				
SiO	$H_2S$	/-C <sub>3</sub> H				(	- A - A - A - A - A - A - A - A - A - A
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NS	C <sub>2</sub> S						
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OH⁺	HCS⁺	<u>http://www.astro.uni-</u>					
HF	H₂Cl⁺	koeln.d	<mark>e/cdms/</mark> m	<u>nolecules</u>			
SO <sup>+</sup>	NH <sub>2</sub>						
ArH <sup>+</sup>							
CF <sup>+</sup>	* indicates molecules that have been detected by their rotation-						

vibration spectrum,

\*\* those detected by electronic spectroscopy only.

## Methanol tracing kpc-scale shocks in luminous merger VV114 (Saito+17)



J2000 Right Ascension J2000 Right Ascension J2000 Right Ascension

Integrated intensity contour of CH<sub>3</sub>OH (3K–2K) overlaid on (a) 880  $\mu$ m dust emission, (b) Paschen  $\alpha$  emission, and (c) Ks

- CH<sub>3</sub>OH also tracing bar shocks and grain processing in IC342, Maffei2 (Meier and Turner 06, 12)
- SiO tracing faster shocks in outflows e.g. Tunnard+15, Imanishi+18

## Submm/mm dust maps

#### **Extended cold dust**

• Disks and outflows



Submm continuum in center and outflow of starburst M82 (Leeuw and Robson 09

Submm/mm dust continuum good tracer of mass. (e.g. Groves+14, Scoville+14)

#### **Obscured nuclei and torii**



NGC1068: r=3.5 pc dusty turbulent torus with  $M_{gas}$ =1x10<sup>5</sup>  $M_{sun}$  (Garcia-Burillo+16, Gallimore+16).

(Jy/beam)



450 μm nuclear dust disks in Arp220 merger (Wilson+14)

A hidden AGN population – or extreme starbursts?

## **COMPACT OBSCURED NUCLEI**

# CONs – Compact Obscured Nuclei - $N(H_2)>10^{24} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ A}_v>1000$

- Some (U)LIRGs harbour CONs Still unknown how common they are Extremely important to understand obscured phase:
- AGN statistics.
- Growth of nuclear stellar spheroid. Starburst-AGN connection
- Potential sources of cosmic neutrinos (e.g. Berezinskii & Ginzburg 1981; Bahcall & Waxman 2001, Yoast-Hull+17).
- Relation to distant DOGs? SMGs?

Example:

NGC4418 (e.g Sakamoto+10,13, Costagliola+13 – see also Varenius+14 for VLBI imaging)



#### mm/submm continuum



#### • <0. "1 (<20 pc) nuclear emission

- Core luminosity:  $10^{11.0} L_{\odot}$  bulk of total FIR luminosity of NGC4418.
- T<sub>B</sub>(860 μm)=120-210 K, τ(860 μm) = 1 (i.e., N<sub>H</sub>>10<sup>25</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>).

### Central Molecular Zone (CMZ) of the Milky Way (Martin+04, ApJS, 150,

Size - 450 x 150 pc  $M(H_2) - 5x10^7 M_{sun}$ 

In comparison:



![](_page_14_Figure_3.jpeg)

## How can we probe behind the veil of dust?

X-rays suffer attenuation when  $N(H_2)>10^{24}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> and mid-IR diagnostics are also compromised by extreme dust obscuration.

-mm/submm continuum observations: luminosity density, N(H<sub>2</sub>)

-Vibrationally excited HCN (HCN-VIB) requires  $T_B(14 \ \mu m) > 100 \ K$ . Observe rotation transitions in the mm/submm. (e.g. Sakamoto+10, Aalto+15a,b, Imanishi+13, Aalto+15ab, Martin+16, Aalto+16, Imanishi+16). Or in the cm wavelengths (e.g. Salter+08)

![](_page_15_Figure_4.jpeg)

14  $\mu m$  IR field

# Buried nuclei traced by vibrationally excited HCN

- HCN-VIB emerging from extreme mid-IR cores since HCN-VIB requires a mid-IR surface brightness > 5x10<sup>13</sup> L<sub>sur</sub>/pc<sup>2</sup> :
  - Extreme compact opaque starburst (Andrews and Thompson 2011)
  - Obscured AGN
- So far luminous HCN-VIB only detected in: ULIRGs and LIRG early type spirals
   Preliminary statistics: 70% of nearby ULIRGs have HCN-VIB emission
- 30-100% of total IR luminosity of galaxy may emerge from HCN-VIB region.

Very luminous HCN-VIB emission detected at redshift z=2 (Riechers in prep.)

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## "Too cold" dust SEDs?

- Dust Spectral Energy Distribution (SED) may shift due to absorbed nuclear emission.
- high surface brightness mid-IR may be attenuated/buried (e,g, IRAS17208! No nuclear mid-IR Soifer+01) but very bright mid-IR excited HCN-VIB)
- Trapped radiation from the embedded source may raise the internal temperature ="Greenhouse effect". (See e.g. Rolffs+11)

#### Dust SED can shift to longer wavelengths.

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...and this model still underestimates the opacity at mm wavelengths.

## ALMA 345 GHz (850 $\mu$ m) 30 milli-arsecond observations of IC860

![](_page_18_Figure_1.jpeg)

150

200

100

50

0

- Confirm ground state HCN, HCO+, CS lines • continuum and self absorbed in Inner 50 pc.
- HCN-VIB tracing emission close to nucleus -٠ but "vanishing" in the inner 0."03 (7 pc).
  - $T_{ex}$ (HCN-VIB)  $T_{B}$ (cont) + opacities?
- Nuclear column density  $N(H_2) > 10^{25} \text{ cm}^2$  "brick wall". Must go to even longer wavelengths to probe inside inner 7 pc.

-50

MilliArc seconds

-100

-150

-250

## Problem continues at $\lambda$ =1-3 mm

![](_page_19_Figure_1.jpeg)

HCN-VIB structure may be modelled as compact (10 pc) molecular outflow – perpendicular to nuclear rotation

Most of  $\lambda$ =3mm emission is still dust (70 %). T<sub>B</sub>=250-300 K from  $\lambda$ =6 mm to  $\lambda$ =0.8 mm.

Does the standard dust-to-gas ratio hold here?.

Use e.g. molecular isotopic ratios to search for evidence of recent nuclear processing – gas-to-dust ratio

## **HIDDEN DUSTY OUTFLOWS**

### Hidden outflow in the LIRG Zw049 (Falstad+17)

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400 km/s OH (4-6 GHz) line wing seen with the VLA. Very compact on radio continuum nucleus

Outflow not seen with Herschel (Falstad+15,+17) Hidden inside dust that is opaque in the FIR.

What role is the dust playing in the powering oftThe outflow – radiation pressure

Dusty winds - see also poster 49

![](_page_22_Figure_0.jpeg)

Weak radio continuum (5 GHz) associated with NIR dust "jet"

CO 2-1, 6-5 tracing very dense nuclear outflow . *The 690 GHz dust is tracing the nuclear ouflow.* (ALMA+SMA)

## An HCN-"jet" in Arp220 (Barcos-Munos+18)

![](_page_23_Figure_1.jpeg)

- ALMA reveals extremely dense and fast (850 km/s) outflow in iconic ULIRG Arp220. T<sub>B</sub>(HCN) > T<sub>B</sub>(CO)! (Barcos-Munos+17). (HCN detected in several fast AGN outflows (Aalto+12) – very dense gas and dust distributions.)
- 3mm dust emission very opaque dust in the cores T<sub>D</sub> 500 K dust also reaches out into outflow (Sakamoto+17). Luminosity density 10<sup>15.5</sup> L<sub>sun</sub> kpc <sup>-2</sup> on a scale of 20 pc. More than twice higher than any observation of dust brightness temperature in Arp220 (e.g. Downes and Eckart 07, Wilson+14, Scoville+17)

## ALMA reveals a radio-quiet, precessing molecular jet?

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## **OUTFLOW SHADOWS**

### Highly Obscured Nuclei: Dusty SO/a Galaxies: HST "Vband" Images

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HST GO-1 J. Gallagher, S. Aalto et al

![](_page_28_Picture_0.jpeg)

**Dust Features: Evolutionary Sign Posts** Polar dust structure  $\rightarrow$ past interaction *Cone/pillar* structures from center—slow outflow galactic geysers?

> Dusty central disk with embedded star formation

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### Zw049.057 Dust Opacity Measurements—Estimates of gas content of outer structures

- ✤ Optical depth proportional to column N<sub>H</sub>
- Derive τ<sub>V</sub> from contrast in HST V, I, J
  bands, convert to N<sub>H</sub> assuming Galactic
  gas/dust ratio. Lower bound—optically
  thick substructure, cloud locations.
- ♦ Average densities  $n \ge 15-20 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ , L~50 pc
- ♦ ISM masses  $M_{gas} \gtrsim 10^5 M_{\odot}$  per region.

Lauren Laufman—undergraduate project, U. Wisconsin Gallagher et al. 2018, in preparation

![](_page_30_Picture_0.jpeg)

### NGC 1377: High density molecular gas concentrated in nuclear

![](_page_30_Picture_2.jpeg)

NGC 1377 V/I color map with CO 3-2 contours to show scale. Approximate absolute positioning.

## Conclusions

- Mid-IR studies of
  - dust continuum, PAHs, silicate absorption, ices, AGN dust heating
- Dust peaks in the FIR
  - dust SEDs, star formation laws, dust properties and dust-to-gas ratios.
    Molecules as probes.
- Submm/mm continuum and lines
  - distribution of extended cold dust (dust mass and properties) and nuclear dust at high resolution. Molecules as proxies for grain processing, enrichment, buried energy density.
- The CONs: Some U/LIRGs have extremely dust enshrouded nuclei with A<sub>v</sub>> 1000. Can be probed at long wavelengths – extreme luminosity densities.
  - Nature of buried activity? Dust properties?
  - Issues with dust opacity effects down to mm wavelengths.
- Dusty, collimated outflows a new early phase of feedback? How are they linked to large scale bipolar outflows?
  - Role of dust in driving?

# From First Stars to Life: Science with the Origins Space Telescope (OST)

- Oxford September 4-7 2018
- https://www.ostmeeting.com/

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