ISO science highlights: normal galaxies

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Spectral and morphological characterisation of disk galaxies (I): emission from cold diffuse dust



in general disks have an underlying diffuse emission component with $12 \le T_D \le 20$ K carrying the bulk of the 170 um emission

Detectability of diffuse emission from cold dust





Spectral and morphological characterisation of disk galaxies (II): emission from PAH



Vogler et al (2005)



Roussel et al. 2001

Lu et al. 2003

- 5 18µm spectrum of (local universe) galactic disks:
- luminosity mainly carried by stochastically heated PAH
- little colour variation between and within galaxies
- significant additional component of emission from grains in equilibrium with stronger radiation fields in nucleus

Spectral and morphological characterisation of disk galaxies (III): emission from [CII]

[CII] 158 µm emission also dominated by emission from diffuse disk, as for the dust continuum

- global [CII] in normal galaxies not dominated by PDR in star-forming complexes



Pierini et al (1999)

Revealing the complex relation of IR emission to star formation (I): star-forming complexes in M33 in the FIR



(Hippelein et al. 2003)



monochromatic flux densities unreliable measure of SFR:

 FIR colours vary with galactocentric position

Ηα

Revealing the complex relation of IR emission to star formation (II): PAH



Roussel et al. 2001 (global emission)

Pagani et al. 1999 (part of M31)

 $H\alpha$ contours on LW2

UV contours on LW2

PAH follows SFR (at least in the local universe, and despite lack of detailed spatial correspondence with UV and Hα)

Revealing the complex relation of IR emission to star formation (III): FIR and UV in M101







Scalelengths of spiral disks in the IR



The extent of spiral disks: First detection of FIR emission from an extended HI disk



ISOPHOT mapping of NGC 891



- extended HI disk is not primordial
- is the dust tracing unseen molecular gas?

First extragalactic direct detection of large-scale Molecular hydrogen (in NGC 891)



Valentijn & van der Werf (1999)

- a cool component (T = 80-90 K) dominates in the outer disk

Characterisation of IR properties of optically faint galaxies



Driver et al. (2007)



ISO Virgo Cluster Deep Survey (Tuffs et al. 2002)

- deepest local universe survey in the FIR
- spans broad range in star-formation activity/morphological, also dwarfs



Popescu & Tuffs 2003

- mean percentage of starlight re-radiated by dust is 30 %
- percentage increases along Hubble sequence
- most of dust luminosity carried by cold dust component



Popescu et al. (2002)

Dwarf galaxies

SED dominated by emission from cold dust (Popescu et al. 2002):

 170 µm emission sometimes resolved, extending beyond the optical body, and aligned with HI.





Unexpectedly low detection rate in the MIR (Boselli et al 1997, Hunter et al 2001).

Star-formation in colliding/merging systems

M86 B-I / 60-180 µm contours



Stickel et al. 2003



(Metcalfe et al. 2005)

- cold FIR source without any optical counterpart discovered in the halo of M86 in the Virgo cluster.
- possible tidal removal of the ISM in a gravitational encounter of the spiral galaxy NGC4402 with M86
- SF triggered outside the interacting galaxies in Markarian 297, visible through PAH emission
- also seen in the Antennae, Stephan's Quintet, Arp299



presence of a largescale distribution of diffuse dust having a face-on opacity which decreases with radius





high FIR/UV traces interarm regions

Popescu et al. 2005

 a scattered-light origin for the diffuse interarm UV



Statistical results

ISOPHOT Virgo Cluster Deep Survey (Tuffs et al. 2002a,b; Popescu et al. 2002)

- a complete volume- and luminosity-limited optically selected sample
- 63 gas-rich galaxies in the Virgo Cluster
- ISOPHOT strip maps at 60, 100 & 170 micron
- deepest local universe survey in the FIR
- spans a broad range in star-formation activity and morphological types, including dwarfs

Universality of cold dust component

Galaxies have both warm and cold dust emission components

 cold dust temperatures broadly distributed, with median 18 K
 - 8-10 K lower than IRAS values!

 dust masses higher by factors of 6-13 than IRAS values!



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Popescu & Tuffs (2002)



Predicted and observed FIR surface brightness distributions <u>NGC 891</u>





Popescu et al. 2004

With increasing galactocentric radius:

- F_{Ha}/F₆₀ ratio increases
- F₆₀/F₁₇₀ ratio decreases

possible explanation is a combination of:

- large scale opacity gradient
- large scale radial pressure gradient



Dust corrected luminosity functions from the Millenium Galaxy Survey





Haas et al. 98 Hippelein et al. 03 Tuffs & Gabriel 03

The extent of the cold dust emission

- does the cold dust emission extend beyond the edge of the optical disk?
- do "extended HI disks" contain grains?



Swaters et al. (1997)

The extent of the cold dust emission

- cold dust emission can extend beyond the edge of the optical disk
- "extended HI disks" can contain large quantities of grains
 - dust-to-HI mass ratio ~
 0.01
 - extended HI disk not primordial

ISOPHOT mapping of NGC 891



Popescu & Tuffs (2003)

Trace an "unseen" molecular component?

Could produce significant scattered-light (Bland-Hawthorn et al. 2005)

