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SAFARI -- a FIR Imager/Spectrometer for SPICA

We present an outline of a study that is being undertaken by a consortium of European, Canadian and Japanese institutes, along with JPL, for a FIR instrument for the proposed JAXA-led Japanese-ESA mission, SPICA (to be launched in ~2017). SPICA is one of a small number of missions that have been selected to go to the next stage of the recent ESA's Cosmic Vision process. SAFARI – SpicA FAR-infrared Instrument -- is an imaging spectrometer with both spectral and photometric capabilities covering the \sim 33-210µm waveband. We highlight the core science justification for the instrument working, a possible conceptual design; its predicted performance and the technical challenges that need to be met in order to realise the full potential of the instrument.

Why another FIR mission

Key waveband

- Unique and extensive spectroscopic toolkit of key diagnostic lines (FIR&redshifted MIR) + thermal continuum
- Long lineage of very successful FIR missions
- IRAS, KAO, ISO, Spitzer, AKARI (+SOFIA, Herschel...)
- Herschel?
 - Confusion-limited at λ >100um, detector-limited below
- 1000s of distant, FIR sources, but what are they? Deep spectroscopy to characterize: eg. AGN vs. starburst

• ALMA?





Galaxy evolution, near and far

•The AGN-starburst connection at high-z

• Through deep spectroscopy, characterise the distant MIR/FIR galaxy population out to $z\sim4$ and beyond, and start to disentangle the interplay between AGN and starburst

•Deep cosmological surveys:

- Through deep, confusion limited surveys at 70µm complete a census on (i) star formation down to MW/4 @z~1, 90% of the CIRB over 80% of Hubble time (ii) massive black-hole growth by unvealing the missing dust-obscured, Compton-thick AGN population responsible for the 30keV peak in the x-ray background



Above: Intensity vs. wavelength of key MIR/FIR lines in three archetypical objects -dashed line represents 5- σ 1hr sensitivity of SPICA

Below: Detectability of redshifted PAH features with SAFARI in low-res., mode (R~50)



- *complementary* science
- FIR: undetectable λ 's from ground
- SPICA \rightarrow Cooled Herschel:
- Much lower background \rightarrow deep spectroscopy
- Imaging vs. point-source \rightarrow determines science capabilities/sensitivities/instrument design
- Facility vs. single science case

Instrument concept:

- Imaging Fourier Transform Spectrometer (background higher than for grating, but imaging straight forward)
- Wavelength coverage of ~33-210µm (using 3-4 detector arrays, $F\lambda/2$ sampling)
- Field of view of 1' x 1', with goal of 2' x 2'
- Spectroscopy (10<R<10 000) & photometry (R~3) 5σ-1hr: few x 10⁻¹⁹ W/m² at R~2000 5**σ**-1hr: <50µJy
- Detector sensitivity required of 10^{-19} W/ \sqrt{Hz}
- photoconductors (cf. Herschel-PACS/Spitzer) at 1.7 4.5K
- TES bolometers operating at < 100mK
- Silicon bolometers, also operating at sub-K temperatures • KIDs

Technical challenges and solutions:

Herschel, overlaid on redshifted (z=1-5) M82 SED+line fits; **Righ** panel: photometric sensitivity of SAFARI relative to other facilities





Above: Optical layout of the FTS concept, to scale with the 3.5m telescope; Below: Model of the FTS, tracing the three optical beams



- •Punching through the traditional confusion limit: • Break confusion through deep, spectral imaging of "blank" sky
- Cosmology at low spectral resolution:
- Deep surveys using redshifted PAH features
- Local galaxies: proxies for the distant Universe

From gas and dust to planets

- Protoplanetary disks: from ices to oceans
- Tracing the presence of stellar FIR photometric excesses (due to circumstellar disks) out to the edge of the galaxy • Providing a comprehensive inventory of stars with circumstellar disks for future planet imaging facilities • Resolving the "snow line" (water ice) in nearby "Vega" disks • Access to the main gas coolants & key chemical species
- (eg. water, oxygen, organics) in proto-planetary disks • Searching for FIR signatures of transiting exoplanets (water?)

Building blocks of the Solar System:

• Determining the chemical history of the Solar nebula by detection & characterisation of 100s of asteroids, TNOs and KBOs

• The dust life-cycle:





The ISO spectrum towards the young star HD142527 (Malfait et al.) showing the model components of the MIR/FIR disk emission. Water ices can be directly detected through the $43/62\mu m$ emission features.



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The CSO SHARCII 350µm image of Vega (Marsh et al.), onto with SAFARI pixel scale at 43-62µm overlaid. Spatial resolution equivalent to ~23 AU will be possible, enough to detect the expected snow-line region at 42 AU.

- Detector sensitivity, dynamic range and complexity
- Cooler technology: a full multi-stage ADR and a hybrid sorption cooler/ADR are under consideration
- Broadband beamsplitters and filters: ~3 octave bandwidth required
- FTS cryo-mechanisms: space-qualified mechanisms exist



Exoplanet research in the far-IR

• 2 orders of magnitude higher sensitivity than Herschel/PACS to detect and characterize zodiacal backgrounds in a statistical sample of stars (~10⁵ Sun-like stars at d<180 pc).



Key to prioritising Earth-like candidates for long-term TPF missions.

HD 209458b <u>primary eclipse</u> with Spitzer (Richardson et al). Transit studies possible in the far-IR

• Very stable detectors and efficient, high cadence and high S/N observations to perform transit photometry and spectroscopy in the far-IR. • Searching for spectral signatures of transiting exoplanets (water?, HD?, ice?)



Uranus & Neptune (Fouchet; Feuchtgruber et al.)



Left: Fit to HD 209458b hot Jupiter (Teff~1000 K) mid-IR from Spitzer/IRS observations (Swain et al. 2008) during its secondary transit around a G0 star (d~47 pc, Teff ~6000 K) and estimations for different distances (blue and red). The magenta lines show the estimated photometric sensitivity of SPICA with GOAL detectors (5 σ -1hr). **Middle:** Expected flux from the host star. **Right:** Resulting planet-to-star contrast ratio as a function of wavelength. The shaded regions represent the 2 main wavelength domains of SPICA instruments: "MIR" for the coronagraph and mid-IR instruments and "FIR" for the SAFARI spectrum.

Japanese contribution: provision of 64x64 Ge:Ga monolithic detector array

<u>Direct Hybrid Ge:Ga Detector – 5 x 5 Test Model</u>

Testing Items:

- Transparent Electrode (Hamamatsu Photonics)

Au Stud Bump Technology

AR-coat for better transmission: free from spectrum fringes

EXPERIMENTAL PROOF of Fundamental Technologies for Large Format Ge:Ga Array Detector

Verification Point: thermal stress at Au bump







