A LANDSCAPE FOR FAR-INFRARED GALACTIC ASTRONOMY OVER THE NEXT DECADE EDWIN BERGIN

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THE FAR-IR FUTURE: GALACTIC ASTRONOMY





LOOKING OUTWARD

- Extragalactic water assumed to trace star formation via far-IR pumping of emission lines (Gonzalez-Alfonso 2008, 2010, 2012).
- Galaxy tells us that water emission is tracing shocked gas from outflows which relates to accretion and its luminosity (Kristensen & Bergin 2020).
- Water vapor lines are complex (emission/absorption) require high spectral resolution.



LOOKING INWARD

- Water is the KEY volatile in planet-formation.
 - The water content and its trail is the central link in understanding the formation of a habitable world.
 - ightarrow Cannot be readily done from the ground.
- The total disk gas mass is the central quantity for planet formation.
 - Provides the grounding information needed to trace content and link to exoplanets.
 - Traditional probes (dust and CO) differ by over 1-2 orders of magnitude based on > 100 disks via ALMA surveys.
 - ightarrow We don't know the disk gas mass.



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- JWST will survey hot (> 300 K) water vapor emission from inner few au in numerous systems.
- What is missing is the cold (tens of K) to warm (200 K) water vapor that is probed by far-IR this can provide information on the snowline location
- Water ice has emission features in the far-IR at \sim 40 and 63 µm that uniquely trace bulk ice content.
- Herschel only provided a handful of detections of both vapor and ice.
- Critical information for understanding of water supply in planet formation.



Bergin+ 2013; McClure+ 2016; Kama+ 2019

- \Rightarrow HD 1-0 emission provides an independent tracer of the H₂ gas mass.
- Only 3 existing Herschel detections that are spatially and spectrally unresolved.
- Sensitive Far-IR instrument could survey hundreds to thousand of disk systems and provide needed information to interpret all JWST/ ALMA observations of disk systems.

WE NEED A FUTURE

- At the baseline level we want to survey (large areas of the galaxy or a wide number of sources):
 - What is needed is a large aperture cooled space telescope with large spectral grasp, multiple pixels, and high spectral resolution.
 - Some aspects of this science case can be captured at reduced levels by SOFIA (CII, OI) or probe class missions with targeted lines and science cases. (e.g. cold water lines).



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2 examples -> (can give many more)



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Kamenetzky et al. 2012 see also Indriolo et al. 2017

Need to obtain spectral maps and understand physics!
Requires high sensitivity, large spectral grasp, multiple pixels, high spectral resolution