Submillimetre observations of star-forming galaxies

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Star Formation History of the Universe



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Infrared luminosity function



Who cares about dust?



Dust-obscured Star Formation History of the Universe



Bouwens et al. (2010, ApJ, 709, 133)

Long Wavelengths



Optical observations?

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Far-infrared, submm and radio are free of these problems



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The discovery

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James Clerk Maxwell Telescope (JCMT) 15 m > 10.4 m!! Bright-end: submm galaxies LIRGs Faint-end including gamma-ray burst hosts



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Basic properties of Submillimeter Galaxies (SMGs)



- Selected at submm (typically 850 μm)
- *z* = 2−3
- Luminous, massive, dusty galaxies

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Why are SMGs important



Michałowski et al. (2010, A&A, 514, A67)

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SMG luminosity function



Chapman et al. (2005, ApJ, 622, 772)

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Lapi et al. (2011, ApJ, 742, 24)

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Herschel Space Observatory



- 3.5 m diameter
- 55-671 μm wavelength range
- beam size: 18–35"
- second Lagrangian point (L2)
- Iaunched on 14 May 2009
- ~ 1 bln euro

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Herschel deep observations



Magnelli et al. (2013, A&A, 553, 132)

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Infrared luminosity function (*Herschel* high-z)



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Infrared luminosity function at z < 1.5



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Distribution of star formation rates of GRB hosts



Michałowski et al. (2012, ApJ, 755, 85)

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Submillimetre Common-User Bolometer Array 2



SCUBA2 Cosmology Legacy Survey: basics



- 10 deg² with rms of 1.2 mJy at 850 μ m (\sim 2 deg² done)
- 0.25 deg² with rms of 1.2 mJy at 450 μ m
- 4000 hr, 5000 sources, 2011-2014

Future: ALMA blank field





- Dunlop, Michałowski, Ivison et al.
- 5 arcmin² Hubble Ultra Deep Field at 1.3 mm
- 50 pointings, 0.7" resolution
- 19.2 hr, 0.03 mJy rms, 25 M_☉ yr⁻¹

Infrared luminosity function (ALMA HUDF)



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Conclusions

