Herschel Imaging of Galactic Supernova Remnants -New Constraints on the Dust Production of SNe

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Dust Production by Supernovae

- Core collapse SNe are long-known producers of dust grains. Observational evidence for condensation in the SN ejecta:
- Decline in optical light-curve, thermal MIR excess and red-blue asymmetry of photospheric lines (Lucy et al. 1989 – SN1987A)
 MIR emission coinciding with ejecta in galactic SNRs (Lagage et al. 1996)
 Isotopal composition of presolar grains (Clayton 1982)
- However, yield and composition are much under debate.
 - Observations confused by IR echoes / ISM dust
 - Dust destruction by SN shocks and UV/optical flash
- > 0.1-1 M_{\odot} of dust per SN is required to form to explain large dust content (>10⁸ M_{\odot}) and rapid enrichment at high-z galaxies (Morgan & Edmunds 2003; Maiolino et al. 2006; Dwek et al. 2007)

SNR targets of the MESS Key Program

IIb	(Cas A)
Ia (?)	(Kepler)
Ia	(Tycho)
II (pulsar)	(3C58)
II (pulsar)	(Crab)
	IIb Ia (?) Ia II (pulsar) II (pulsar)

nearby and young - swept-up ISM mass low
Herschel imaging / spectroscopy









- Exceptionally well studied across the EM spectrum
- > Extreme O- and Si-group abundances from explosive nucleosynthesis
- > Nitrogen-rich, fast moving ejecta \rightarrow massive Wolf-Rayet progenitor
- \blacktriangleright Distance 3.4 kpc (1arcmin = 1pc)

Stochastic heating of newly formed dust



IRAS/Spitzer/ISO: 8×10^{-5} - 3×10^{-3} M_{\odot} warm (80-300K) dust within Cas A (Arendt, Dwek & Moseley 1999; Douvion 2001; Hines 2004)

(Warm) dust mass and composition



Spitzer/IRS decomposition by Rho et al. (2008)

Total dust mass 0.02 - 0.054 M_{\odot} - crucially depends on the coolest component

SCUBA observations – Cold dust in Cas A

SCUBA 850 μ m map – dominated by non-thermal emission





Dunne et al. 2003

Submillimeter excess in the north highly polarized (Dunne el al. 2008)

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850 µm, synchrotron-subtracted



Spectral energy distribution



Dunne et al. 2003

Submillimeter excess in the north highly polarized (Dunne el al. 2008)

ISM contamination toward Cas A





Cas A SDP observations



PACS 70,100,160 μm composite

Warm SN dust

Cool SN dust (+ [OII] line contribution)

interstellar couds

SPIRE 250, 350, 500 μ m composite



Emission component separation



Non-thermal Warm SN dust Cool SN dust



Herschel SDP results

MIPS/PACS composite 24,70,100 μm

- shocked warm dust ($3x10^{-3} M_{\odot}$ - T ~ 80 K)

. unshocked cool dust (0.075 M $_{\odot}$ - T ~ 35 K)

Upcoming PACS and SPIRE spectroscopy will provide more details on the ejecta/dust relation

First high-resolution images of the cool dust component

Previously inferred by Tuffs et al. (2005; 60-200 μm ISOPHOT) and Sibthorpe et al. (2010; 65-500 μm AKARI/BLAST).

Infrared echoes near Cas A





15 arcmin = 15 pc

Krause et al. 2005 Kim et al. 2008

Optical light-echo spectroscopy -Cas A was a (rare) type IIb SN



(Initial) stellar mass 13-20 $\rm M_{\odot}$ Mass at explosion 3-6 $\rm M_{\odot}$ Hydrogen envelope mass \sim 0.1-0.5 $\rm M_{\odot}$ Core mass \sim 3-5 $\rm M_{\odot}$ Total ejecta mass 1-2 $\rm M_{\odot}$

Krause et al. 2008

Dust formation and evolution in a stripped-core, type IIb SN



- \succ Nucleation calculations yield initially 0.17 M $_{\odot}$ of newly synthesized dust
- ➤ Small envelope mass → early arrival of the reverse shock and strong dust destruction by sputtering
- \succ Currently 0.008 M_{\odot} of shock-heated warm dust and 0.072 M_{\odot} of unshocked cool dust in the remnant's interior
- > Virtually all new dust will be destroyed unless shielded in very dense clumps

Conclusions

- High quality HERSCHEL data have been obtained on Cas A
- \succ PACS and SPIRE images resolve the cool unshocked dust component in Cas A, yielding a total dust mass of 0.08 $\rm M_{\odot}$ within the remnant
- ➤ There is no evidence for significant (~ 1 M_☉) amounts of cold dust in the remnant previously concluded from SCUBA observations in addition to the foreground ISM
- ➤ The results are consistent with recent models of the type IIb supernova Cas A in which 0.17 M_☉ of dust were originally formed but will likely be destroyed by interaction with the hot plasma.

Outlook – The Crab Nebula



Herschel/PACS

HST/Hester et al.