

Mass loss of Evolved StarS

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- * SED mode, including high-resolution B3A (51-70 μ m)
 - Th30 / full spectrum
- * `standard' processing (cfr. Demo at DP workshop)
- * only central spaxel displayed
- * continuum divided / subtracted
- * caveats due to light leaks of each spectral order (see talk A. Poglitsch)





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Spectral movie VY CMa



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(outer envelope)

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+ SPIRE AND HIFI

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SPIRE FTS Spectra of MESS Evolved Objects

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GOAL: To help characterise molecular and dust properties in the 200-670µm region, via the acquisition of high S/N FTS spectra of evolved objects of known chemistry (C/O ratio). The results could also aid the interpretation of the spectra of ISM and extragalactic sources.

Five luminous evolved MESS targets observed so far with the SPIRE FTS during a hybrid PV/SD phase:

VY CMa: O-rich self-obscured M supergiant (Teff~2800 K)

IRC+10216 (CW Leo): self-obscured carbon star

AFGL 2688: C-rich bipolar post-AGB object (A/F-type star)

AFGL 618: C-rich bipolar post-AGB object (early B-type star)

NGC 7027: C-rich planetary nebula (150,000 K central star)

Brightness

VY Canis Majoris

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400um

200um

Unapodized spectrum

Wavelength [µm]

VY CMa

VY CMa: species detected in the SPIRE FTS range: (~230 emission lines from $14.6 - 52 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; 192-685µm)

 $0-H_2O$ $p-H_2O$ ^{12}CO ^{13}CO SiO HCN

+ background forest of weak lines, possibly due to SO₂ and CH₃OH

(ids: J. Cernicharo)

Species detected so far in the FTS spectrum of

IRC+10216(~250 emission lines):

¹²CO, ¹³CO, C¹⁸O HCN, H¹³CN SiS SiO o-H2O, p-H2O NH₃ CCH CS

SPIRE 250um

HCI (2 lines; also detected with PACS)

Wavenumber (cm⁻¹)

Wavelength (um)

NGC 7027

SPIRE FTS:

Sensitivity is at least 2-3 times better than pre-launch estimates. Absolute flux calibration is already very good from 200-550um. Excellent spectral survey tool.

Analysis of PACS & SPIRE Spectrometer Data:

Joint RT effort underway to produce models that will fit both the PACS and SPIRE data, in order to determine molecular abundances, excitation mechanisms & temperatures and mass loss rates.

Accurate RSRFs are needed for each spectrometer in order to search for and characterise dust spectral features.