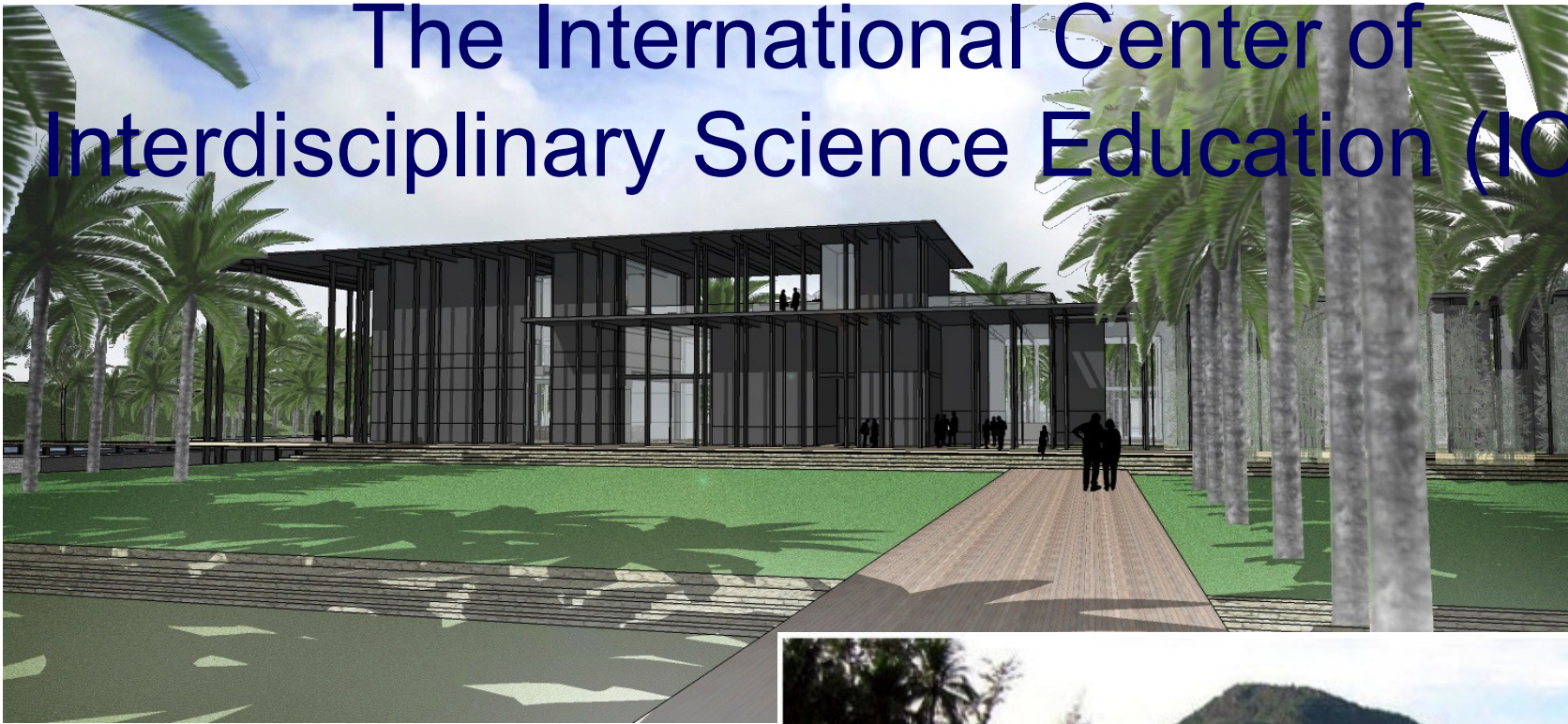


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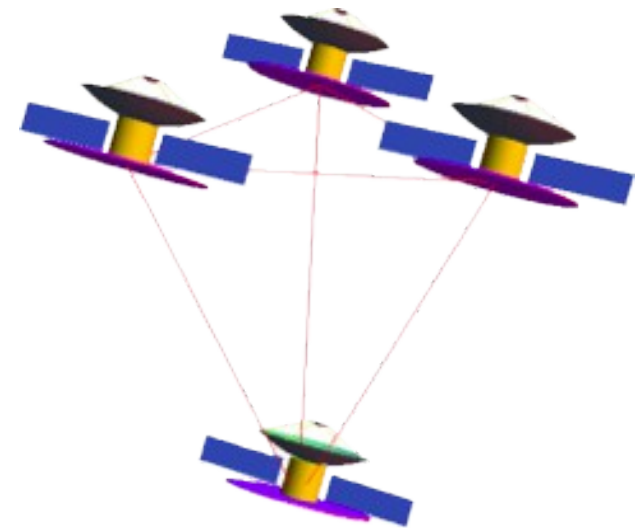
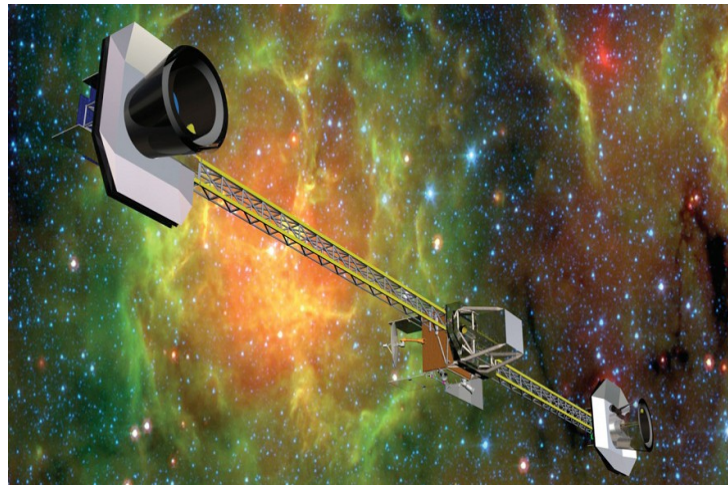
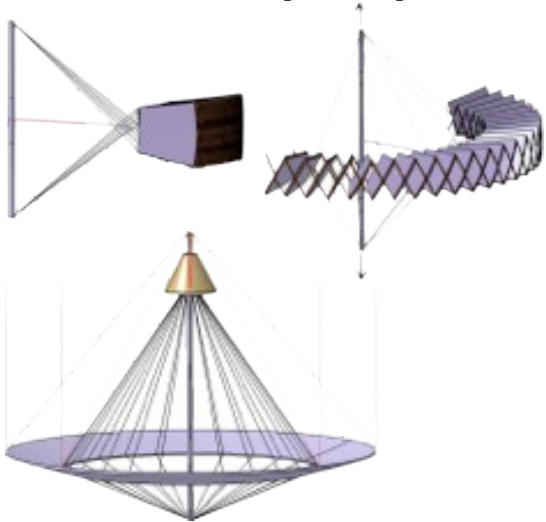


# Sub-arcsecond far-infrared space observatory: a new step to the understanding of the universe

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# Success of Herschel Space Observatory

Launched: 14 May, 2009  
 Ended: 29 April 2013  
 1446 ODs  
 3.5 m telescope, 3 instruments

## Imaging instruments:

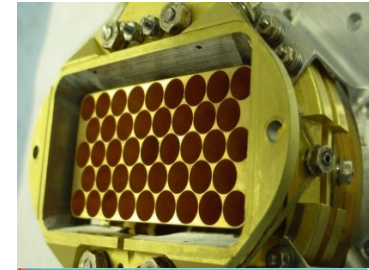
PACS: 70 or 100 and 160  $\mu\text{m}$   
 SPIRE: 250, 350, 500  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Resolutions: 5-36''

## Spectroscopic instruments:

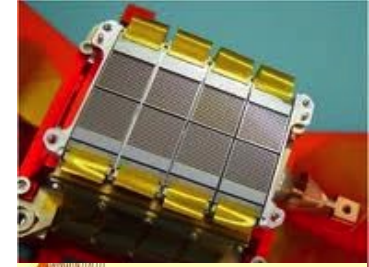
PACS: 60-210  $\mu\text{m}$  (line imaging)  
 SPIRE: 194-672  $\mu\text{m}$  (low spectral resolution)  
 HIFI: 212-625  $\mu\text{m}$  (high spectral resolution)



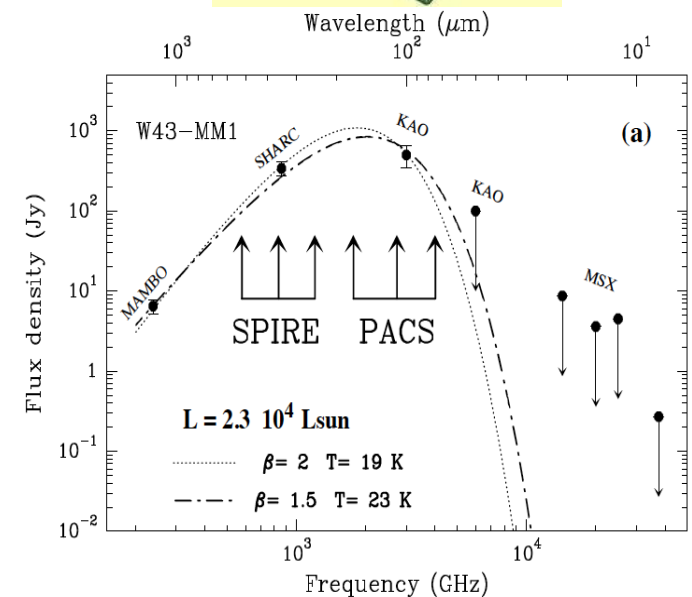
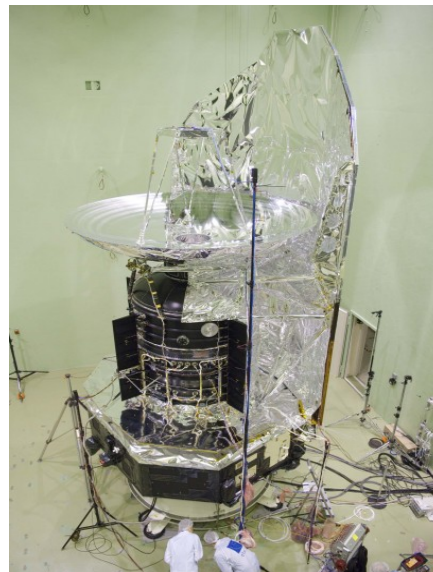
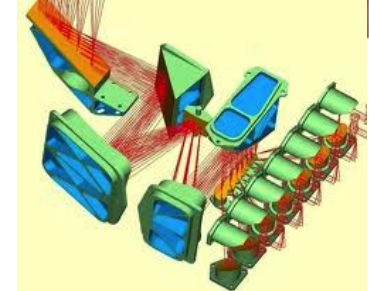
Spectral & Photometric Imaging REceiver



Photodetector Array Camera & Spectrometer

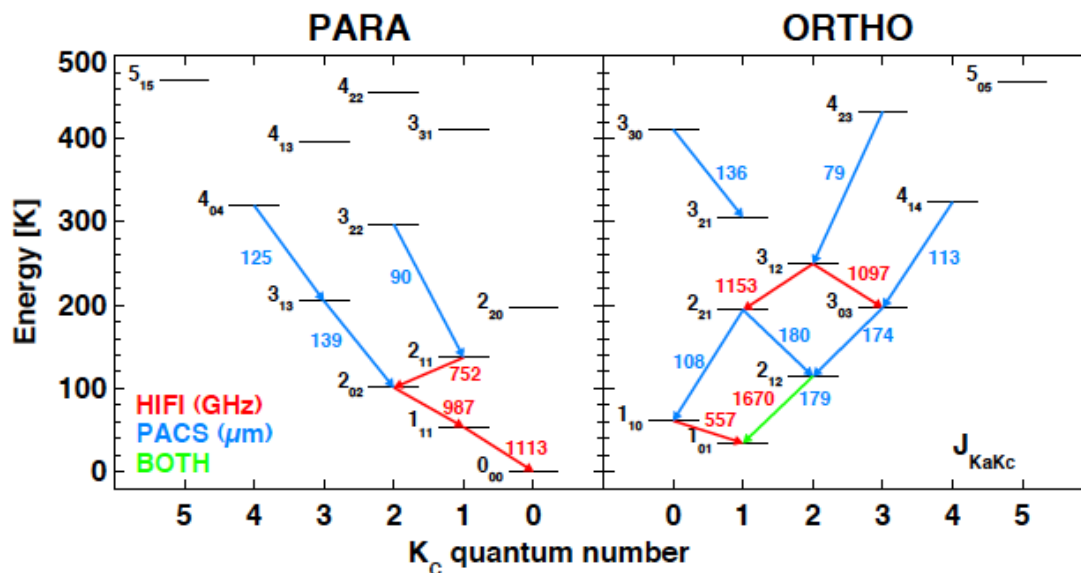
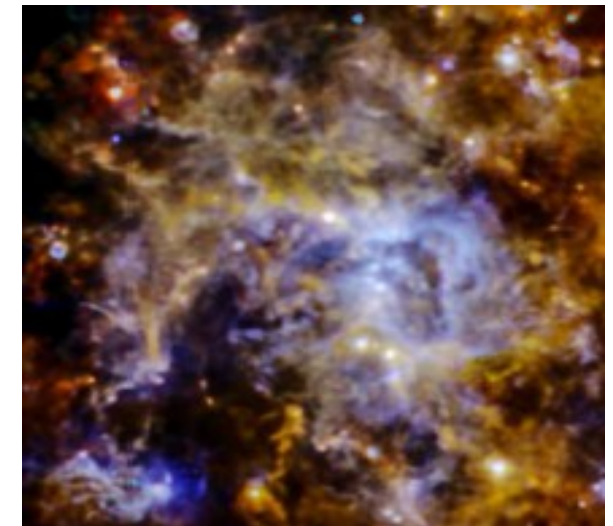
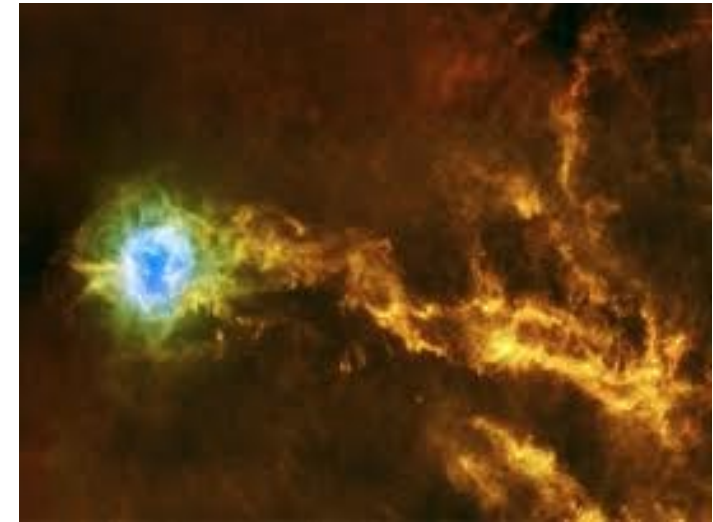


Heterodyne Instrument for the Far-Infrared

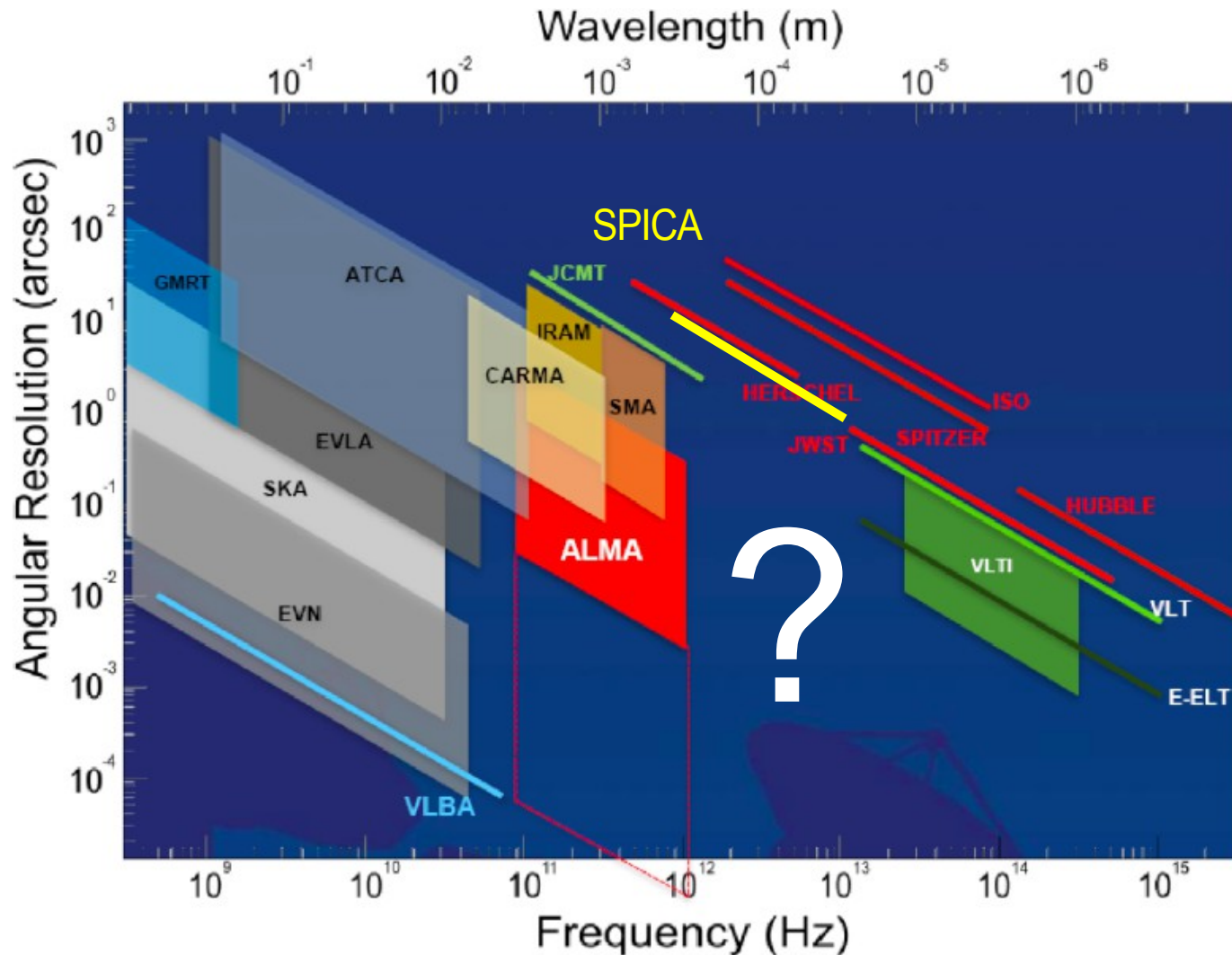


# Success of Herschel Space Observatory: only in star formation

- ✱ Star formation:
  - Roles of filaments and ridges in star formation
  - CMF --> IMF
  - Nature of prestellar cores
  - Complete the evolutionary scenario of star formation from filaments to cores and to stars
  
- ✱ Chemistry in the ISM:
  - Roles of waters in protoplanetary disk/outflows, star formation
  - Discovery of the high abundance of CII in the galaxy
  - Discovery of SH, O<sub>2</sub>, ND, HD, OH<sup>+</sup> and H<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup>.....



# The need for a sub-arcsecond FIR observatory



Future SPICA (PI: Japan): 30-200  $\mu\text{m}$ , 1 or 2 order of magnitude more sensitive than Herschel but resolution is not much better

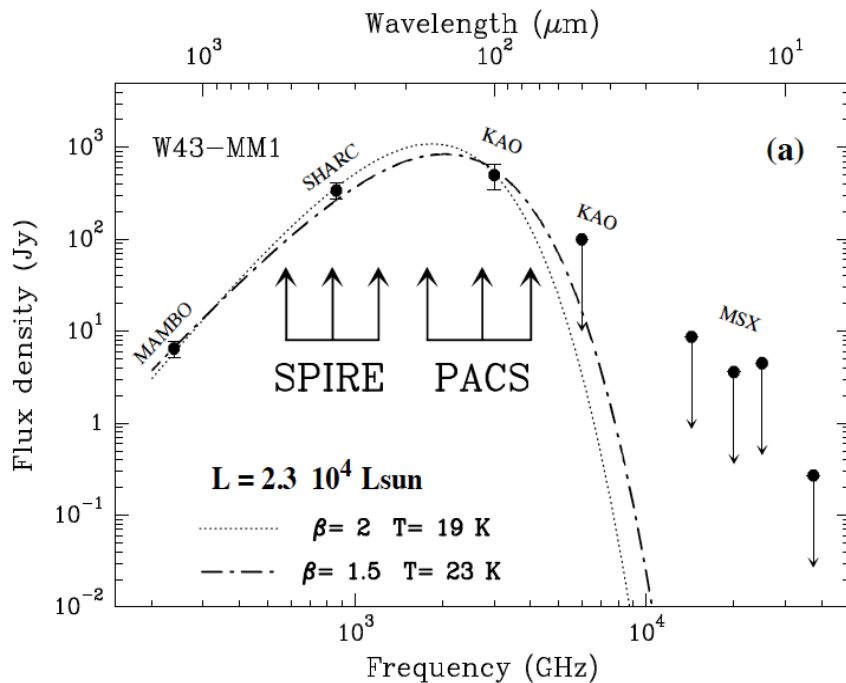
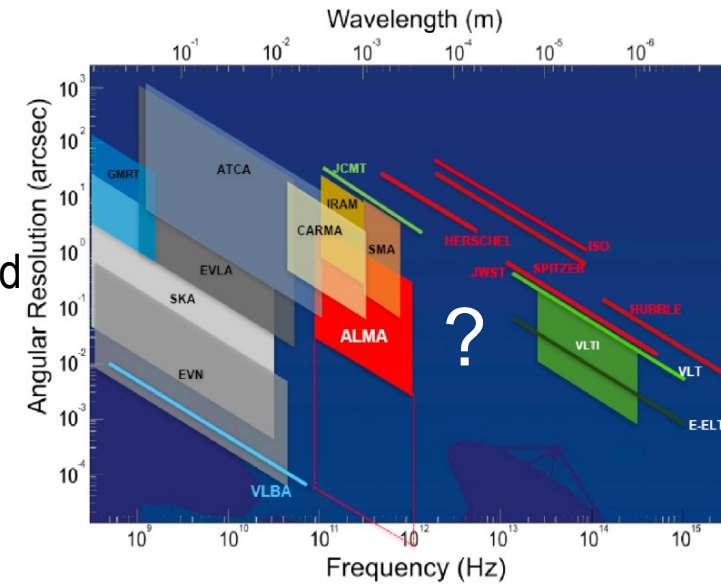
✳ Exploratory territory for a high-resolution FIR observatory:

- Wavelength: 20 – 500  $\mu\text{m}$
- Angular resolution: 0.1 – 1" at 100  $\mu\text{m}$
- Launch time: end of 2020s, 2030s

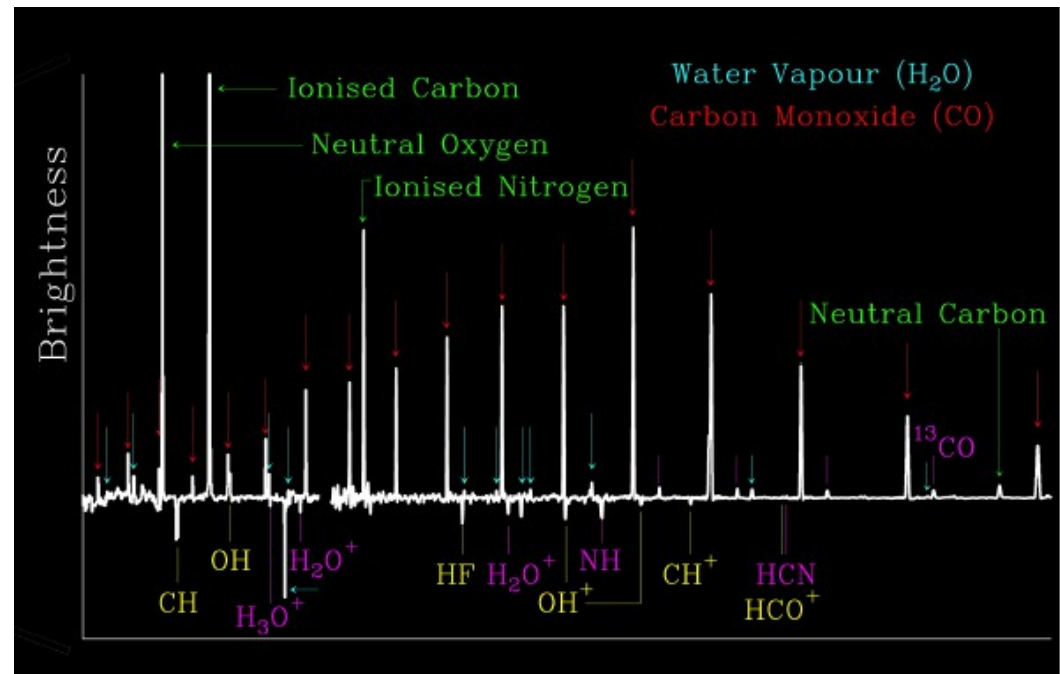


# The need for a sub-arcsecond FIR observatory

- ✱ The FIR domain will present a severe gap in resolution and sensitivity between ALMA and JWST/E-ELT.
- ✱ The band maps on key tracers:
  - ✱ dust continuum peak, and features tracing composition and formation.
  - ✱ wide variety of molecular tracers including water, HD, and  $O_2$ .



Motte et al. (2010)



Goicoechea et al. (2012)

# The need for a sub-arcsecond FIR observatory

Spectral resolution:

heterodyne:  $R = 10^{6-7}$

medium:  $R = 1000 - 5000$

SED: broadband

Science case	Resolution
Gas mass in disks	heterodyne
Water transport	heterodyne
Protoplanetary systems	SED, medium
Feedback	SED
Massive star formation	SED
Highlighting activity with water	heterodyne
Magnetic field	SED
Dust budget	SED, medium
Thermal balance	medium
Massive star formation	SED, medium
AGN/host relationship	medium
Galaxy and AGN co-evolution	medium
H <sub>2</sub> for galaxy evolution	medium
First stars	medium

Angular resolution: 0.1-1"

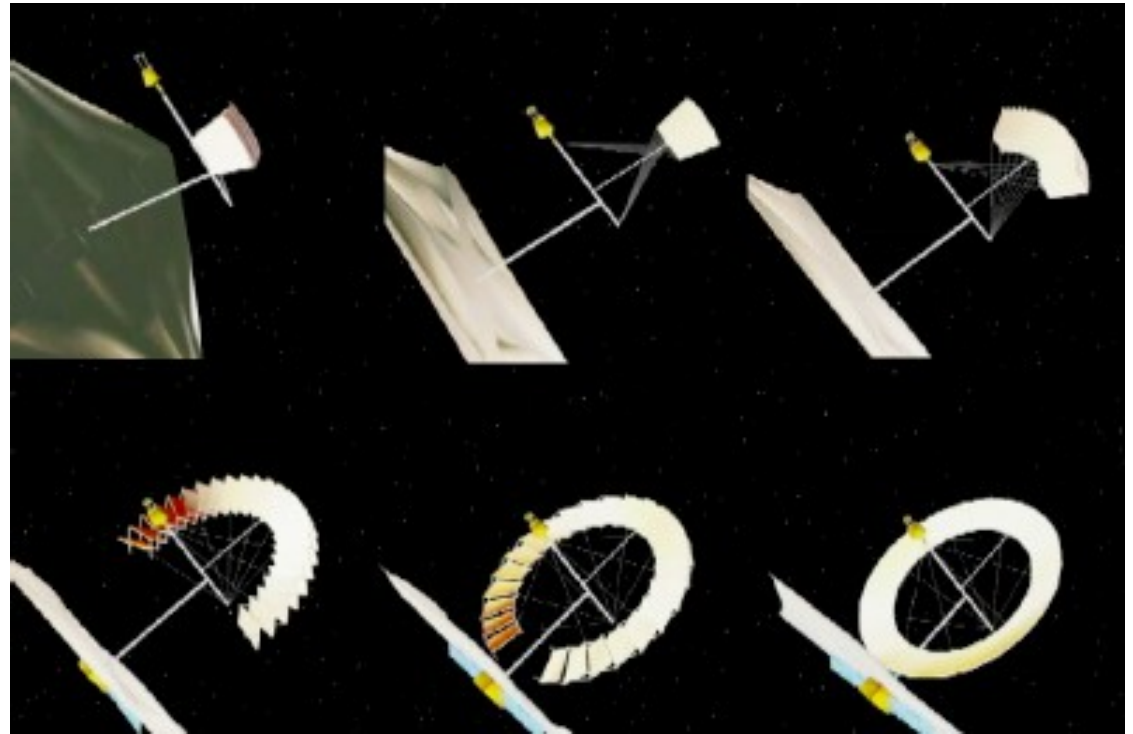
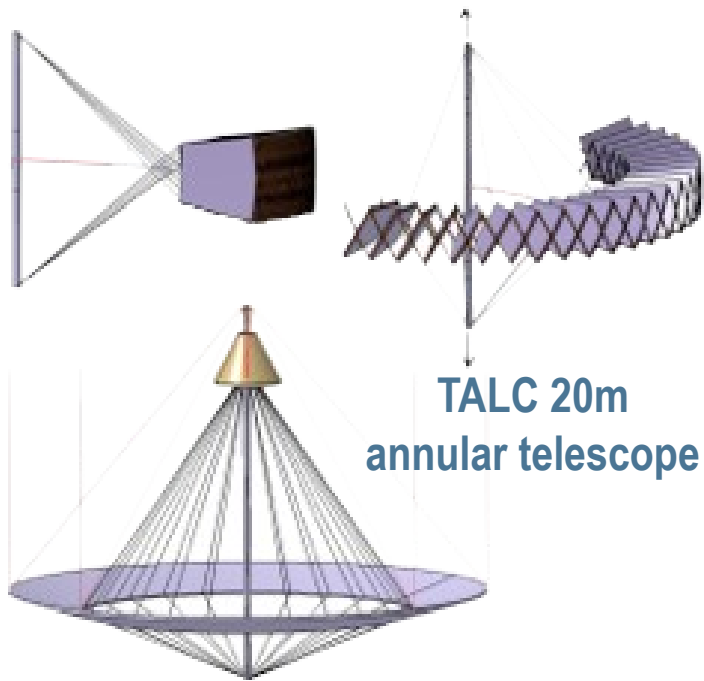
planet: 100 AU @ 1 kpc

protostar: 0.1 pc @ 200 kpc

galaxy: 1 kpc @ 200 Mpc

- \* Addressing that angular resolution gaps accessing science cases such as:
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  - \* Star formation (structure formation, feedback processes, IMF at the high mass end, massive star formation scenario).
  - \* Nearby universe (dust formation, thermal balance in the ISM, IMF in external galaxies, AGN/host relationship including star formation quenching).
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# Sub-arcsecond FIR observatory: telescope concepts



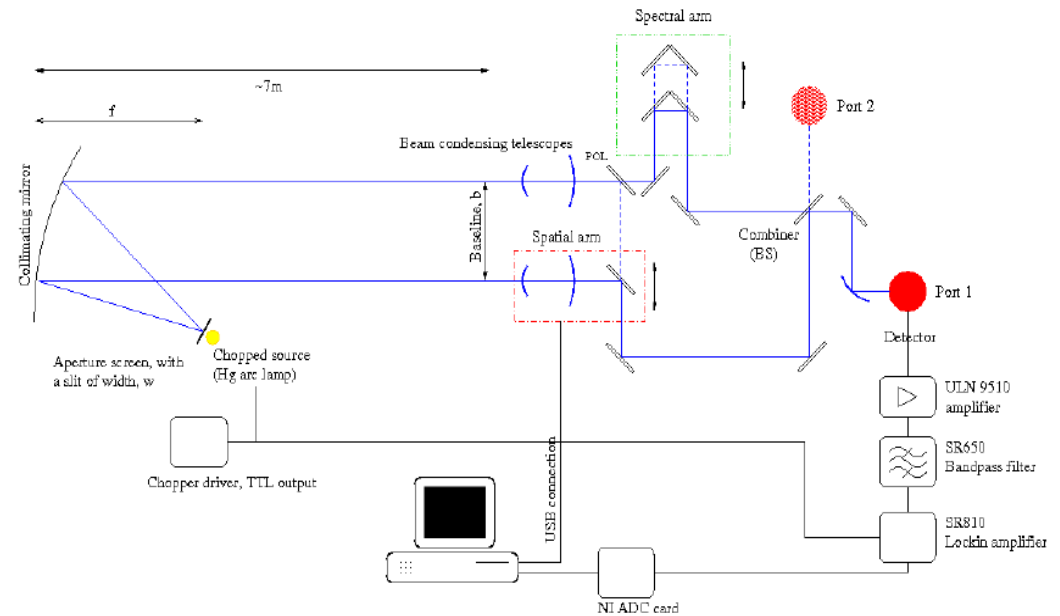
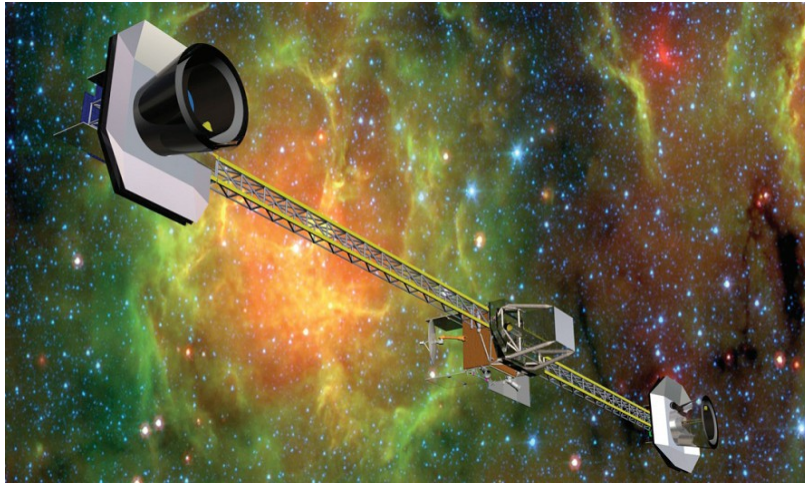
## \* Thinned Aperture Light Collector (TALC):

- \* 20m diameter, 3m width annulus telescope
- \* Optics & data reduction challenge
- \* Mechanical challenge
- \* Unfilled main beam --> 30% of the total energy
- \* Sensitivity  $5\sigma = 0.1 \text{ mJy @ 1hr}$  compare to  $5\sigma = 5.5 \text{ mJy @ 1hr}$  of Herschel



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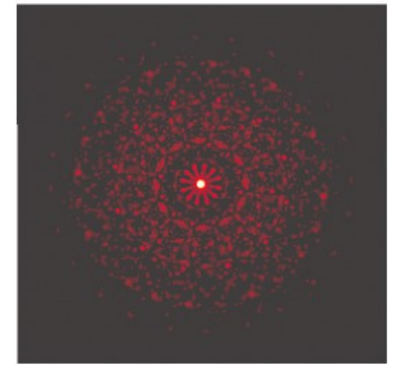
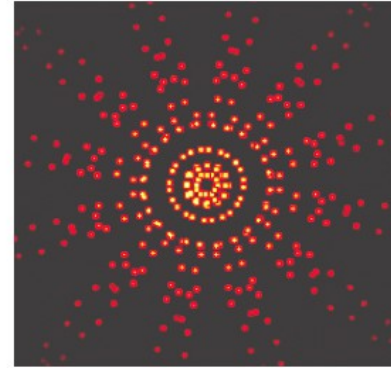
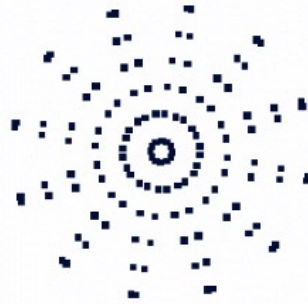
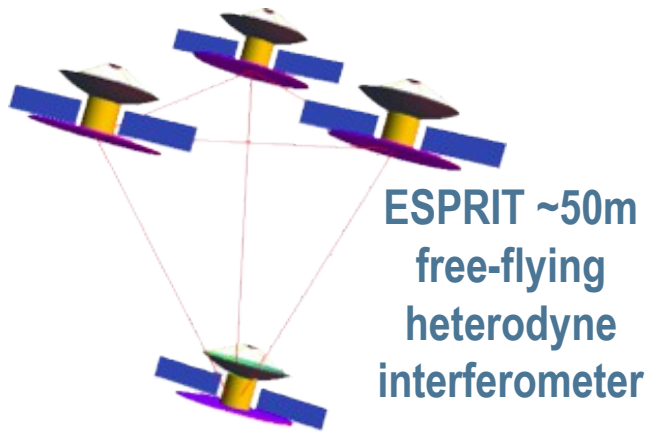
## FIRIT 36m direct imaging interferometer



### \* Far-InfraRed Interferometer (FIRIT):

- \* 36m baseline, two or three 1m diameter telescopes
- \* Double Fourier modulation technique --> spatial & spectral interferometry
- \* Resolution: 2.8" @ 400  $\mu m$ , 0.18" @ 25  $\mu m$
- \* Fuel efficiency

# Sub-arcsecond FIR observatory: telescope concepts

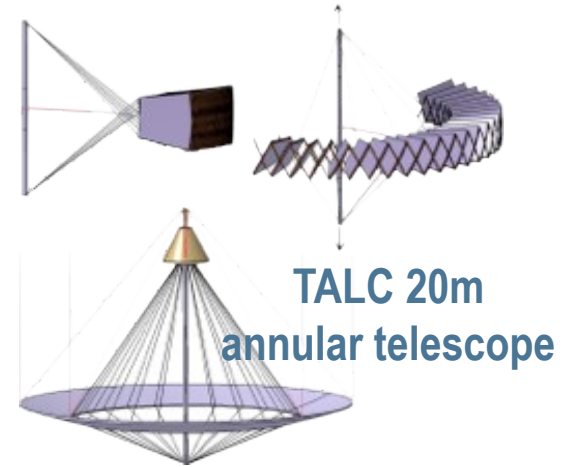


## \* Exploratory Submm Space Radio-Interferometric Telescope (ESPRIT) (Wild et al. 2008):

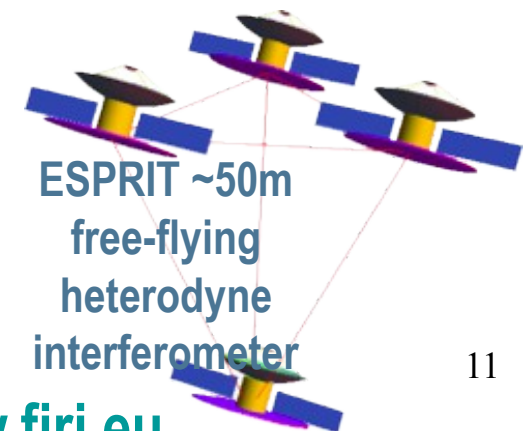
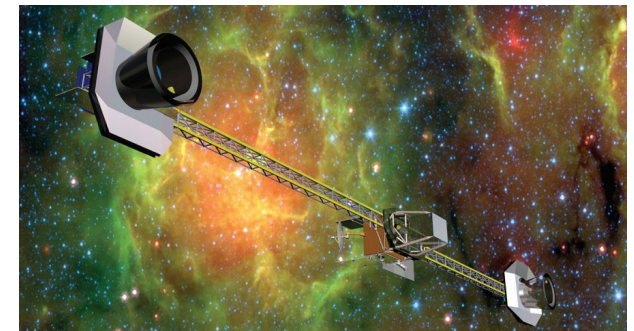
- \* Four - Six 3.5m diameter telescopes
- \* Baseline up to 50m
- \* Free flying configuration to fill uv plane
- \* Heterodyne interferometer as HERSCHEL/HIFI or ALMA --> Great spectral resolution
- \* Sub components: high sensitivity, large bandwidth, sensitive heterodyne mixer: Local Oscillator, correlation system & colling system ( 4K is OK)
- \* Baseline change --> consume fuel --> trade-off between good u-v coverage & operating lifetime

# Conclusion

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  - \* fine structure lines from various ISM phases.
- \* Addressing that angular resolution gaps accessing science cases such as:
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interferometer





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# Cold Telescope – New Capability

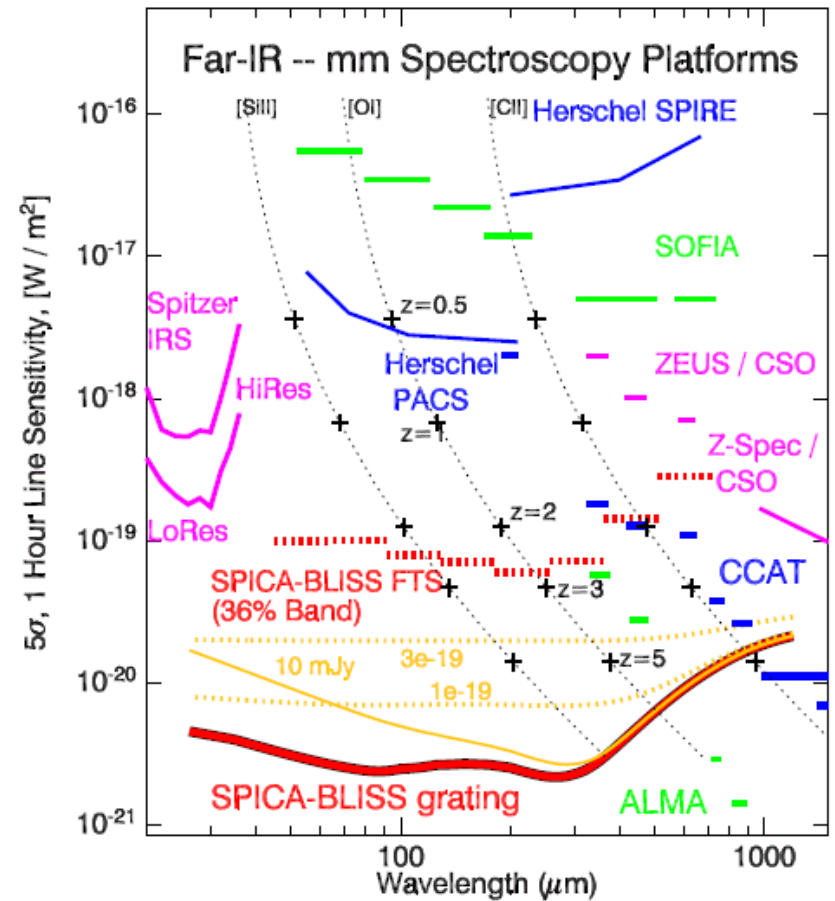
A 3 m class cold telescope offers dramatic improvement in far IR/submm sensitivity

1. Mm instruments need bigger telescopes for better sensitivity

2. Far IR/Submm spectrometers need cold space telescope (cold is more important than big)

one year of integration time on Herschel can be done in < 10 sec on a SPICA/BLISS system.

*A Golden Opportunity!*



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