



4065 - Dusty Torus, Molecular Gas, Outflows, and Binary Nucleus in the Powerful Nearby Quasar Cygnus A

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OBSERVATIONS

<i>Folder</i>	<i>Observation</i>	<i>Label</i>	<i>Observing Template</i>	<i>Science Target</i>
CygA_IFU_MRS				
	1	Cyg A IFU	NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy	(1) CYGNUS-A
	2	Cyg A MRS	MIRI Medium Resolution Spectroscopy	(3) CYGNUS-A-MRS
	3	Cyg A MRS OFF	MIRI Medium Resolution Spectroscopy	(4) CYGNUS-A-MRS-OFF
CygA_IM				
	4	CygA_MIRI_IM	MIRI Imaging	(1) CYGNUS-A
	5	CygA_MIRI_IM	MIRI Imaging	(2) CYGNUS-A-MIRIM-OFF

ABSTRACT

Cygnus A is the closest powerful radio galaxy, with a rich observational history. Its MIR-luminous quasar nucleus is enshrouded by dust, allowing detailed studies at NIR wavelengths of AGN fueling and feedback that would otherwise be hindered by the glare of the AGN. We propose a suite of JWST imaging and integral field spectroscopy with MIRI and NIRSpec in order to study the dusty molecular torus, quasar fueling and outflows, and to confirm or refute the presence of a binary supermassive black hole. We propose NIRSpec IFU and MIRI MRS observations to map the kinematics, temperature, and mass of molecular and ionized gas in the host galaxy. This will yield the kinematics and H₂ temperature distribution in the 100 pc-scale disk that serves to fuel the AGN and a measurement of the warm H₂ and dust mass in the unresolved 10-100pc scale torus. MIRI will also separate the AGN-heated dust continuum from the torus and NLR bi-cone, informing dusty torus models. Spectral maps in spectral lines from multiple ionization states will be used to map the mass, outflow rate, and kinetic power of AGN-driven outflows in relation to the location of the relativistic jet. The MIRI Imager will be used to isolate and measure the luminosity of the secondary nucleus, and to survey star formation throughout the host galaxy. Altogether, these observations will tell us (1) the amount of molecular gas available to fuel the dust-obscured quasar and its depletion timescale, (2) The impact of AGN and jet-driven outflows on the ISM and whether or not they are sufficient to eventually quench star formation, and (3) whether the secondary nucleus hosts an active SMBH.

OBSERVING DESCRIPTION

We use the NIRSpec IFU G235H and G395H gratings in a single dithered pointing to cover the central 3x3 arcsec² of Cygnus A at 1.7-5 microns with a resolution of 100 km/s. Background observations are not necessary for this bright target. We don't need leakcals since there are no extremely bright stars in the MSA footprint.

The MIRI MRS observations use an extended source dither to better sample the PSF. We use all gratings to cover the full 5-27 micron spectrum. We link the source and dedicated off-background observations by an uninterruptible sequence special requirement.

MIRI imager observations in three filters (PAH 7.7, 12.8um, 10um continuum) use the SUB256 array to avoid saturating the primary nucleus.

Proposal 4065 - Targets - Dusty Torus, Molecular Gas, Outflows, and Binary Nucleus in the Powerful Nearby Quasar Cygnus A

#	Name	Target Coordinates	Targ. Coord. Corrections	Miscellaneous
(1)	CYGNUS-A	RA: 19 59 28.3560 (299.8681500d) Dec: +40 44 2.11 (40.73392d) Equinox: J2000		
<p><i>Comments: This object was generated by the targetselector and retrieved from the NED database.</i> <i>Category=Galaxy</i> <i>Description=[Active galactic nuclei, Radio galaxies]</i></p>				
(2)	CYGNUS-A-MIRIM-OFF	RA: 19 59 30.3212 (299.8763383d) Dec: +40 46 8.16 (40.76893d) Equinox: J2000		
<p><i>Comments: This object was generated by the targetselector and retrieved from the NED database.</i> <i>Category=Galaxy</i> <i>Description=[Active galactic nuclei, Radio galaxies]</i></p>				
(3)	CYGNUS-A-MRS	RA: 19 59 28.3560 (299.8681500d) Dec: +40 44 2.11 (40.73392d) Equinox: J2000		
<p><i>Comments: This object was generated by the targetselector and retrieved from the NED database.</i> <i>Category=Galaxy</i> <i>Description=[Active galactic nuclei, Radio galaxies]</i></p>				
(4)	CYGNUS-A-MRS-OFF	RA: 19 59 33.0460 (299.8876917d) Dec: +40 45 11.09 (40.75308d) Equinox: J2000		
<p><i>Comments: This object was generated by the targetselector and retrieved from the NED database. OFF position modified to put CygA in imager and avoid sources in MRS.</i> <i>Category=Galaxy</i> <i>Description=[Active galactic nuclei, Radio galaxies]</i></p>				

Fixed Targets

Proposal 4065 - Observation 1 - Dusty Torus, Molecular Gas, Outflows, and Binary Nucleus in the Powerful Nearby Quasar Cygnus A

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Observation	<p>Proposal 4065, Observation 1: Cyg A IFU</p> <p>Diagnostic Status: Warning</p> <p>Observing Template: NIRSpec IFU Spectroscopy</p>											
Diagnostics	(Visit 1:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.											
Fixed Targets	#	Name	Target Coordinates			Targ. Coord. Corrections			Miscellaneous			
	(1)	CYGNUS-A	RA: 19 59 28.3560 (299.8681500d) Dec: +40 44 2.11 (40.73392d) Equinox: J2000									
	<p><i>Comments: This object was generated by the targetselector and retrieved from the NED database.</i></p> <p><i>Category=Galaxy</i></p> <p><i>Description=[Active galactic nuclei, Radio galaxies]</i></p>											
Template	TA Method											
	NONE											
Dithers	#	Dither Type		Size	Starting Point			Number of Points	Points			
	1	4-POINT-DITHER										
Spectral Elements	#	Grating/Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Leakcal	Dither	Autocal	Total Dithers	Total Integrations	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	G235H/F170LP	NRSIRS2	20	1	false	true	NONE	4	4	5893.912	
	2	G395H/F290LP	NRSIRS2	20	1	false	true	NONE	4	4	5893.912	

Proposal 4065 - Observation 2 - Dusty Torus, Molecular Gas, Outflows, and Binary Nucleus in the Powerful Nearby Quasar Cygnus A

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Observation	Proposal 4065, Observation 2: Cyg A MRS Diagnostic Status: Warning Observing Template: MIRI Medium Resolution Spectroscopy Background Observations:[Cyg A MRS OFF (Obs 3)]												
	(Visit 2:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.												
Fixed Targets	#	Name	Target Coordinates				Targ. Coord. Corrections			Miscellaneous			
	(3)	CYGNUS-A-MRS	RA: 19 59 28.3560 (299.8681500d) Dec: +40 44 2.11 (40.73392d) Equinox: J2000 <i>Comments: This object was generated by the targetselector and retrieved from the NED database.</i> <i>Category=Galaxy</i> <i>Description=[Active galactic nuclei, Radio galaxies]</i>										
Acquisition	#	Target											
	1	NONE											
Template	AcqFilter	Primary Channel			Simultaneous Imaging			Imager Subarray		Grating Wheel Direction			
	F560W	All MRS			YES			FULL		NEUTRAL			
Dithers	#	Dither Type				Optimized For				Direction			
	1	4-Point				EXTENDED SOURCE				NEGATIVE			
Spectral Elements	#	Wavelength Range	Detector	Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/E xp	Exposures/Dit h	Dither	Total Dithers	Total Integrations	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1		IMAGER	F1130W	FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	1	LONG(C)	MRSLONG		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	1	LONG(C)	MRSSHORT		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	2		IMAGER	F770W	FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	2	MEDIUM(B)	MRSLONG		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	2	MEDIUM(B)	MRSSHORT		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	3		IMAGER	F1000W	FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	3	SHORT(A)	MRSLONG		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	3	SHORT(A)	MRSSHORT		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	

Special Requirements

Sequence Observations 2, 3, Non-interruptible

Proposal 4065 - Observation 3 - Dusty Torus, Molecular Gas, Outflows, and Binary Nucleus in the Powerful Nearby Quasar Cygnus A

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Observation	Proposal 4065, Observation 3: Cyg A MRS OFF Diagnostic Status: Warning Observing Template: MIRI Medium Resolution Spectroscopy Background Observation For: [Cyg A MRS (Obs 2)]												
	(Visit 3:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.												
Fixed Targets	#	Name	Target Coordinates			Targ. Coord. Corrections			Miscellaneous				
	(4)	CYGNUS-A-MRS-OFF	RA: 19 59 33.0460 (299.8876917d) Dec: +40 45 11.09 (40.75308d) Equinox: J2000						<i>Comments: This object was generated by the targetselector and retrieved from the NED database. OFF position modified to put CygA in imager and avoid sources in MRS.</i> Category=Galaxy Description=[Active galactic nuclei, Radio galaxies]				
Acquisition	#	Target											
	1	NONE											
Template	AcqFilter	Primary Channel			Simultaneous Imaging		Imager Subarray		Grating Wheel Direction				
	F560W	All MRS			YES		FULL		NEUTRAL				
Dithers	#	Dither Type			Optimized For			Direction					
	1	4-Point			EXTENDED SOURCE			NEGATIVE					
Spectral Elements	#	Wavelength Range	Detector	Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/E xp	Exposures/Dit h	Dither	Total Dithers	Total Integrations	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1		IMAGER	F1130W	FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	1	LONG(C)	MRSLONG		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	1	LONG(C)	MRSSHORT		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	2		IMAGER	F770W	FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	2	MEDIUM(B)	MRSLONG		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	2	MEDIUM(B)	MRSSHORT		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	3		IMAGER	F1000W	FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	3	SHORT(A)	MRSLONG		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	
	3	SHORT(A)	MRSSHORT		FASTR1	30	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	333.005	

Special Requirements

Sequence Observations 2, 3, Non-interruptible

Proposal 4065 - Observation 4 - Dusty Torus, Molecular Gas, Outflows, and Binary Nucleus in the Powerful Nearby Quasar Cygnus A

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Observation	<p>Proposal 4065, Observation 4: CygA_MIRI_IM</p> <p>Diagnostic Status: Warning</p> <p>Observing Template: MIRI Imaging</p>										
Diagnostics	(Visit 4:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.										
Fixed Targets	#	Name	Target Coordinates			Targ. Coord. Corrections		Miscellaneous			
	(1)	CYGNUS-A	RA: 19 59 28.3560 (299.8681500d) Dec: +40 44 2.11 (40.73392d) Equinox: J2000								
	<p><i>Comments: This object was generated by the targetselector and retrieved from the NED database.</i></p> <p><i>Category=Galaxy</i></p> <p><i>Description=[Active galactic nuclei, Radio galaxies]</i></p>										
Template	<p>Subarray</p> <p>SUB128</p>										
Dithers	#	Dither Type	Starting Point	Number of Points	Points	Starting Set	Number of Sets	Optimized For	Direction	Pattern Size	
	1	CYCLING	1	4		1	1			SMALL	
Spectral Elements	#	Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Exposures/Dith	Dither	Total Dithers	Total Integrations	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	F770W	FASTR1	17	40	1	Dither 1	4	160	342.359	
	2	F1280W	FASTR1	17	40	1	Dither 1	4	160	342.359	
	3	F1000W	FASTR1	17	40	1	Dither 1	4	160	342.359	
Special Requirements	Group Observations 4, 5, Non-interruptible										

Proposal 4065 - Observation 5 - Dusty Torus, Molecular Gas, Outflows, and Binary Nucleus in the Powerful Nearby Quasar Cygnus A

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Observation	<p>Proposal 4065, Observation 5: CygA_MIRI_IM</p> <p>Diagnostic Status: Warning</p> <p>Observing Template: MIRI Imaging</p>										
Diagnostics	(Visit 5:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.										
Fixed Targets	#	Name	Target Coordinates			Targ. Coord. Corrections		Miscellaneous			
	(2)	CYGNUS-A-MIRIM-OFF	RA: 19 59 30.3212 (299.8763383d) Dec: +40 46 8.16 (40.76893d) Equinox: J2000								
	<p><i>Comments: This object was generated by the targetselector and retrieved from the NED database.</i></p> <p><i>Category=Galaxy</i></p> <p><i>Description=[Active galactic nuclei, Radio galaxies]</i></p>										
Template	<p>Subarray</p> <p>SUB128</p>										
Dithers	#	Dither Type	Starting Point	Number of Points	Points	Starting Set	Number of Sets	Optimized For	Direction	Pattern Size	
	1	CYCLING	1	4		1	1			SMALL	
Spectral Elements	#	Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Exposures/Dith	Dither	Total Dithers	Total Integrations	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	F770W	FASTR1	17	40	1	Dither 1	4	160	342.359	
	2	F1280W	FASTR1	17	40	1	Dither 1	4	160	342.359	
	3	F1000W	FASTR1	17	40	1	Dither 1	4	160	342.359	
Special Requirements	Group Observations 4, 5, Non-interruptible										