



2581 - Come Out, Come Out, Wherever You Are: Seeking All the Massive Young Clusters Hidden in the Antennae

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OBSERVATIONS

<i>Folder</i>	<i>Observation</i>	<i>Label</i>	<i>Observing Template</i>	<i>Science Target</i>
Overlap Region				
	1	NIRCAM Overlap	NIRCam Imaging	(1) ANTENNAE-NIRCAM
	2	MIRI Overlap	MIRI Imaging	(2) ANTENNAE-MIRI

ABSTRACT

The so-called ‘overlap’ region of the nearby merging Antennae galaxies provides a unique laboratory to study the formation of young globular clusters. While Hubble has already revealed some of these massive young clusters in the optical and near-infrared, the vast majority remain hidden behind large amounts of dust which reach extinction values as high as $A_V \sim 30$ mag. JWST now enables the characterization (ages/masses) of

essentially ALL deeply buried young (<10 Myr), massive ($>10,000$ Msun) clusters in the dusty overlap region for the first time, using NIRCam & MIRI imaging. From the resulting complete catalog of young massive clusters (including optically selected ones from HST), we will determine the fraction of stars formed in clusters & construct and fit the initial cluster mass function. The results will be compared with predictions from hydrodynamic simulations which use a large range of prescriptions for star formation and stellar feedback in galaxy mergers. A comparison between the mass function of clusters and molecular clouds detected in available ALMA observations will yield estimates of the star cluster formation efficiency. Maps of 3.3 to 7.7 micron PAH emission will help diagnose grain sizes in this extreme star-forming environment. The strong IR emission from luminous infrared galaxies (LIRGs) usually comes from a combination of star formation and an accreting AGN; the Antennae present a unique case where the IR emission is driven only by star formation. This system therefore provides a critical bridge between star formation processes in normal (disk) galaxies, and the more intensely star-forming galaxies commonly found in the young and distant universe.

OBSERVING DESCRIPTION

We will observe the intensely star-forming overlap region and northern disk of the Antennae galaxies with NIRCam and MIRI Imaging.

We propose single-module NIRCAM imaging (which covers the region of interest) in a total of 5 filters. Two of them cover the hydrogen emission lines Paschen alpha (F187N) and Brackett alpha (F410M), and two others cover adjacent featureless continuum (F150W and F360M). Since the required exposure time in the F150W filter is approximately double that required for the filters in the long-wavelength arm of NIRCam, we break those observations into 2 sets, and include a filter covering the PAH 3.3 micron feature (F335M) in one of those.

We use a mosaic of two MIRI pointings to cover the same part of the Antennae to observe the 7.7 micron PAH feature (F770W).

We optimize the mutual NIRCam and MIRI imaging coverage by using two separate targets (one for each instrument) along with the OFFSET special requirement to adjust the nominal pointing (i.e., the aperture) for each instrument to a location near a detector center, since the default apertures for NIRCam and MIRI imaging are not adequate in this context.

We impose an orientation (PA_V3) range of ~ 100 degrees in order to keep the northern disk within the NIRCam field of view, which gives ~ 50 days of schedulability during the year. We allow the MIRI observation to have an Aperture PA within ± 10 degrees of that of the NIRCam observation.

Readout patterns will be SHALLOW4 (NIRCam) and FAST (MIRI), in order to end up with at least 5 groups per integration, which will help with cosmic ray removal.

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Fixed Targets	#	Name	Target Coordinates	Targ. Coord. Corrections	Miscellaneous
	(1)	ANTENNAE-NIRCAM	RA: 12 01 55.4837 (180.4811821d) Dec: -18 52 22.64 (-18.87296d) Equinox: J2000	Proper Motion RA: 0.0001 mas/yr Proper Motion Dec: 0.0001 mas/yr Epoch of Position: 2000	
	<i>Comments: Works well for the selected NIRCcam pointing, optimizing allowable ORIENT range</i> <i>Category=Galaxy</i> <i>Description=[Galaxy disks, Infrared galaxies, Interacting galaxies]</i>				
(2)	ANTENNAE-MIRI	RA: 12 01 53.8030 (180.4741792d) Dec: -18 52 14.23 (-18.87062d) Equinox: J2000	Proper Motion RA: 0.0001 mas/yr Proper Motion Dec: 0.0001 mas/yr Epoch of Position: 2000		
<i>Comments: Works well for the selected MIRI 1x2 mosaic, optimizing allowable ORIENT range</i> <i>Category=Galaxy</i> <i>Description=[Galaxy disks, Infrared galaxies, Interacting galaxies]</i>					

Proposal 2581 - Observation 1 - Come Out, Come Out, Wherever You Are: Seeking All the Massive Young Clusters Hidden in the Ant...

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Observation	<p>Proposal 2581, Observation 1: NIRCAM Overlap</p> <p>Diagnostic Status: Warning</p> <p>Observing Template: NIRCAM Imaging</p>									
Diagnostics	(Visit 1:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.									
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	(1)	ANTENNAE-NIRCAM	RA: 12 01 55.4837 (180.4811821d) Dec: -18 52 22.64 (-18.87296d) Equinox: J2000		Proper Motion RA: 0.0001 mas/yr Proper Motion Dec: 0.0001 mas/yr Epoch of Position: 2000					
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Template	Module				Subarray					
	B				FULL					
Dithers	#	Primary Dither Type		Primary Dithers	Subpixel Dither Type		Dither Size	Subpixel Positions		
	1	INTRAMODULEBOX		4	SMALL-GRID-DITHER			3		
Spectral Elements	#	Short Filter	Long Filter	Readout Pattern	Groups/Int	Integrations/Exp	Total Integrations	Total Dithers	Total Exposure Time	ETC Wkbk.Calc ID
	1	F187N	F335M	SHALLOW4	6	1	12	12	3736.396	61329
	2	F150W	F360M	SHALLOW4	6	1	12	12	3736.396	61329
	3	F150W	F410M	SHALLOW4	6	1	12	12	3736.396	61329
Special Requirements	<p>Aperture PA Range 103 to 116 Degrees (V3 102.97547802 to 115.97547802)</p> <p>Offset 29.17 arcsec, 38.43 arcsec</p> <p>Background Limited. Background no more than 40th percentile above minimum</p> <p>Group Observations 1, 2 within 5 Days</p> <p>Aperture PA Offset 2 from 1 by -10 to 5 Degrees (V3 -14.80973126 to 0.19026874)</p>									

Proposal 2581 - Observation 2 - Come Out, Come Out, Wherever You Are: Seeking All the Massive Young Clusters Hidden in the Ant...

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Observation	<p>Proposal 2581, Observation 2: MIRI Overlap</p> <p>Diagnostic Status: Warning</p> <p>Observing Template: MIRI Imaging</p>										
Diagnostics	<p>(Visit 2:1) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.</p> <p>(Visit 2:2) Warning (Form): Overheads are provisional until the Visit Planner has been run.</p>										
Fixed Targets	#	Name	Target Coordinates			Targ. Coord. Corrections		Miscellaneous			
	(2)	ANTENNAE-MIRI	RA: 12 01 53.8030 (180.4741792d) Dec: -18 52 14.23 (-18.87062d) Equinox: J2000			Proper Motion RA: 0.0001 mas/yr Proper Motion Dec: 0.0001 mas/yr Epoch of Position: 2000					
	<p><i>Comments: Works well for the selected MIRI 1x2 mosaic, optimizing allowable ORIENT range</i></p> <p><i>Category=Galaxy</i></p> <p><i>Description=[Galaxy disks, Infrared galaxies, Interacting galaxies]</i></p>										
Template	<p>Subarray</p> <p>FULL</p>										
Mosaic	Rows	Columns	Row Overlap %	Column Overlap %	Row shift	Column shift	Tile Order				
	1	2	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0	DEFAULT				
Dithers	#	Dither Type	Starting Point	Number of Points	Points	Starting Set	Number of Sets	Optimized For	Direction	Pattern Size	
	1	4-Point-Sets				6	1	POINT SOURCE	POSITIVE	DEFAULT	
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	22	1	1	Dither 1	4	4	244.204	61329
Special Requirements	<p>Group Visits within 53.0 Days Visits Same PA Offset 20.0 arcsec, -5.0 arcsec</p> <p>Group Observations 1, 2 within 5 Days Aperture PA Offset 2 from 1 by -10 to 5 Degrees (V3 -14.80973126 to 0.19026874)</p>										