HST and Spitzer views of luminous compact blue galaxies

<mark>z≈0</mark>: NGC 7673

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# What is a Starburst Galaxy?

- M82, HII galaxies, ultraluminous inf galaxies (ULIRGs), break galaxies (LE
- Note huge range mass, luminosity, morphology, phys conditions, envirc



## Star formation in starbursts





- SBs have extreme
  - specific star formation rate (SSFR) = SFR/M
  - star formation efficiency = SFR/M<sub>gas</sub>
  - surface brightness
- SB's obey Schmidt-Kennicutt, but with different mode (low SF, high SFE) of SF than in non-SB galaxies? (BzK's: Daddi...)

# Role of starbursts in galaxy formation and evolution?

Some hints:

- optical z<1:
  - Multiple SF episodes in stellar pops
  - 10x rise in SF to z=1: 40% due to low-mass SBs ("downsizing")
- optical z>1: LBG, sBzK: SFR~10-100 M<sub>☉</sub>/year; LF provides enough for >10% of current stars in galaxies (esp. if dust correction is large)





# Luminous Blue Compact

### Galaxies = LCBGs

- $L \sim L^*$  but tiny,  $r_e \sim 2 \text{ kpc} (L_{M31}, r_{N205})$
- Extreme starbursts 10-20 M<sub>☉</sub>/yr
- High surface brightness  $\mu_B < 21 \text{ mag}/\text{arcsec}^2$
- Narrow emission lines 30-120 km/s
- Low masses <  $10^{10}$  M $_{\odot}$
- M<sub>burst</sub>/M<sub>tot</sub>>10% (from O/IR SEDs)
- Strong evolution: 40% of SF↑ to z=1
- Similar to UVLGs (GALEX: Heckman, Overzier) and Small Green Peas (SDSS: Cardamone 09)
- Top candidates for local LBGs analog: HII galaxies and luminous blue compact galaxies = LCBGs (not BCG or BCD)



Cf. Pérez-Gallego 09; Melbourne 07; Noeske 07; Werk 04; Ferguson 04; Pisano 01; Lilly 98; Phillips 97; Guzmán '97, '98, '03; Koo '94, 95; Bershady '00

#### LCBGs vs. normal galaxies



Pisano 2001

### LCBGs at z<1

**Project:** 

- compare LCBGs and LBGs in rest-UV and MIR with HST and Spitzer
- Search for additional SF hidden in dust
- Sample:
  - 12 HII gals at z=0 from UCM survey
  - 14 LCBGs at z<1 from LBDS/KPGRS</p>
- Data:
  - HST/STIS FUV and NUV images = rest-UV
  - Spitzer/IRAC+MIPS photometry

With Bershady, Gallego, Guzmàn, Koo, Hameed, Macie, Finn









0.0169000 0.0170000 UCM1302+2853 UCM1324+2926 0.0237000 0.0172000 UCM2351+2321 UCM2304+1640 0.0330000 0.0179000 0.0273000

UCM0040+0220

0.0173000

UCM0159+2354

#### STIS NUV images of z<1 sample

9" ~ 31-66 kpc

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Morphologies: again, disturbed, multiple knot systems, but some nearly unresolved

|      | SA68-8846   | SA68-3307   | SA68-17169 |
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|      | 0.241600    | 0.297400    | 0.354500   |
|      | SA68-1067   | SA68-17418  | SA68-9640  |
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|      | LYNX2-1635  | SA57-7042   | SA57-1501  |
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|      | 0.525000    | 0.525000    | 0.499300   |
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|      | 0.663000    | 0.438400    | 0.453400   |
|      | HERC1-13088 | HERC1-14739 |            |
|      | •           | \$          |            |
| gust | 0.435700    | 0.235000    |            |



# FUV morphologies

compact

|                               |            | SA68-8846                | SA57-7042    | SA57-17731   |
|-------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Elmegreens' high-z "tadpoles" |            | •                        |              | •            |
|                               |            | 0.241600                 | 0.525000     | 0.663000     |
| linear                        |            | SA68-1067                | SA68-9640    | UCM0019+2201 |
| UCM0148+2123                  | UCM0040+02 | •                        |              | •            |
| *                             | -          | 0.233700                 | 0.728500     | 0.0191000    |
| 0.0169000                     | 0.0173000  | UCM1656+2744             | UCM1324+2926 | UCM2351+2321 |
| HERC1-13088                   | SA68-17418 | •                        |              | •            |
| 1                             | -          | 0.0330000                | 0.0172000    | 0.0273000    |
| 0.435700                      | 0.553000   | Santa Cruz 8 August 2011 |              |              |

# Morphologies similar NIR-Opt-UV





### HST Morphologies similar NIR-Opt-UV



# LBGs are small; LCBGs are smaller



# FUV Morphology correlates loosely with size, SB

HalfLight Radius SB vs. Half Light Radius



# Spitzer/IRAC+MIPS photometry

#### z~0 UCM galaxies



z<1 LCBGs



# **Spectral Energy Distributions**



#### Strong 24, 70um detections... ...but little/no evidence for hidden dusty SFR

## Conclusions on LCBGs at z<1



- LCBGs and HII galaxies are excellent local analogs of LBGs: FUV morphologies, sizes, colors, SF props, masses all in continuum with LBGs.
- rest-UV images show star formation in wide range of morphologies, from rings to compact nuclei. Almost all within 2 kpc radius, but not "nuclear" starbursts.
- Morphologies not dramatically different UV-Opt-NIR
- No obvious merger signatures (some mergers possible)
- Cold flows, clumpy disks plausible
- Spitzer: little or no excess  ${\rm SFR}_{\rm IR}$  compared to  ${\rm SFR}_{\rm UV}$  what you see is what you get

### 50-m Large Millimeter Telescope/Gran Telescopio Millimetrico

- UMass + Mexico
- \$140M; largest science project ever for Mexico
- Cierra la Negra (5000m)
- 65 μm (rms) active surface
- 6" FWHM beam at 1 mm
- Pointing to 1"
- AzTEC, Redshift, SEQUOIA, SPEED
- 1000's of SMGs/night; pathfinder for ALMA







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#### SMG MMJ18423+5938 (z=3.930)





(figure courtesy M. Dickinson/D. Elbaz)

| Instrument    | Resolution | Mapping Speed [arcmin2/mJy2/hr] | Confusion<br>Limit [mJv] |
|---------------|------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
|               |            |                                 |                          |
| MAMBO/IRAM-30 | 11"        | 3                               | 0.5                      |
| LABoCa/APEX   | 20"-30"    | 9                               | 2                        |
| Bolocam/CSO   | 30"        | 10-13                           | 2                        |
| AzTEC/JCMT    | 18"        | 20-30                           | 1.5                      |
| AzTEC/ASTE    | 28"        | 20                              | 2                        |

Perspective on 32m dish operation:

- repeating all deep SMG surveys to date takes 24 hours (8" resolution)
- imaging 2sq deg COSMOS field to 0.1mJy rms takes 1200 hrs (key project size)
- 100 sq. deg. at 10mJy rms (SPT-bright sources) takes 6 hours

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30 hours w/AzTEC: 29 sources (Perera 08)

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# SMG Surveys with AzTEC

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AzTEC/ASTE - COSMOS - 193 sources - FDR<6% - 0.75 sq deg. with rms ~ 1.1mJy

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#### "Blank-Field" SMG Number Counts



Scott et al. in prep

- 838 sources
- 1.74 sq deg.
- New constraints on counts at both bright and faint end

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- New constraints on counts at both bright and faint end
- Models stressed at both ends

### Planned Future LMT Continuum Inst.

#### TolTEC

- 1.1mm imager filling 4' diameter field of view
- ~5000 detectors
- ~36,000 arcmin<sup>2</sup>/mJy<sup>2</sup>/hr mapping speed

Imaging the entire 2 sq. deg. COSMOS field to 0.1mJy rms (SFR~20-30 M<sub>sun</sub>/yr) will require only 20 hours.

