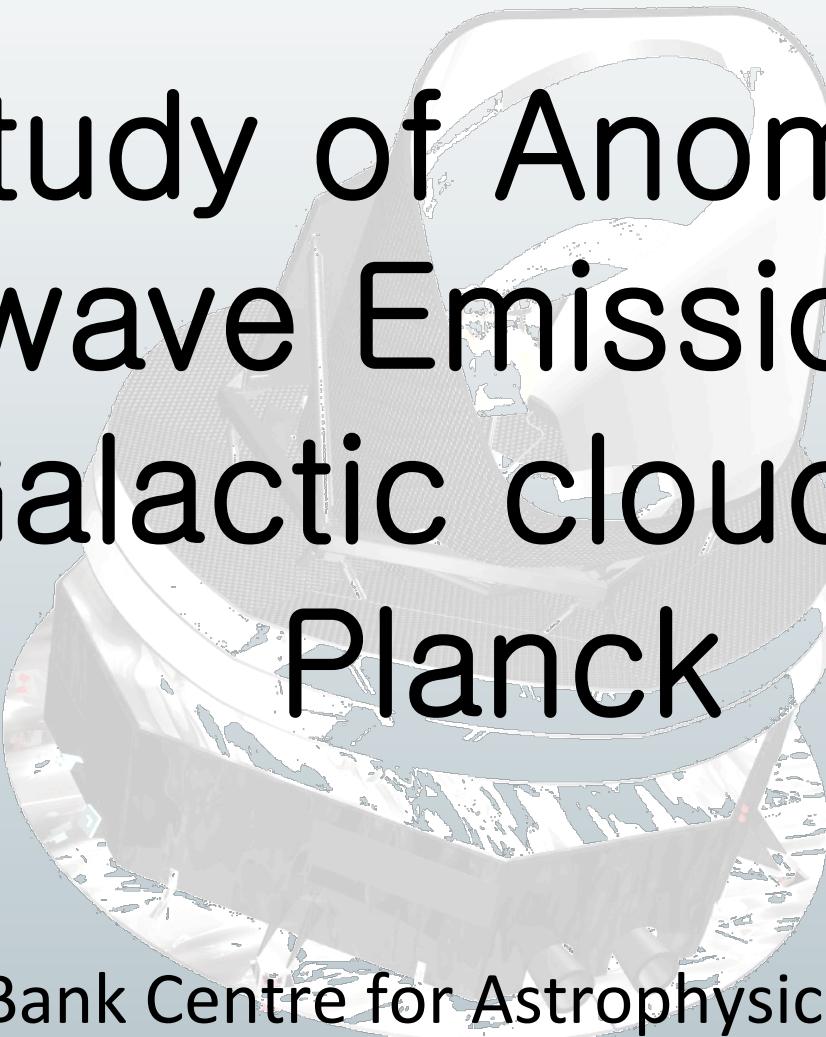


A study of Anomalous Microwave Emission (AME) in Galactic clouds with Planck



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Overview of AME

➤ Anomalous Microwave Emission (AME)

- Additional source of diffuse radio emission at $\nu \sim 10\text{-}60\text{ GHz}$
- Strongly correlated with Far Infrared emission
- Does not appear to be strongly polarized ($P \sim 1\%$ or less)
- Observed in a range of environments
- Still only a very few (~ 5 at best) convincing detections

➤ Several explanations have been proposed

- Most likely electric dipole radiation from spinning dust grains
- First predicted by W.C. Erickson (1957)
- More data and studies needed!

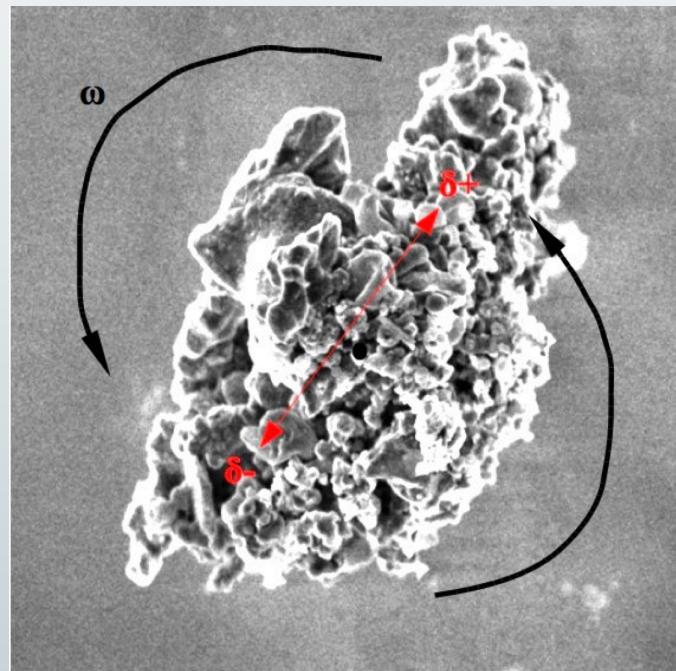
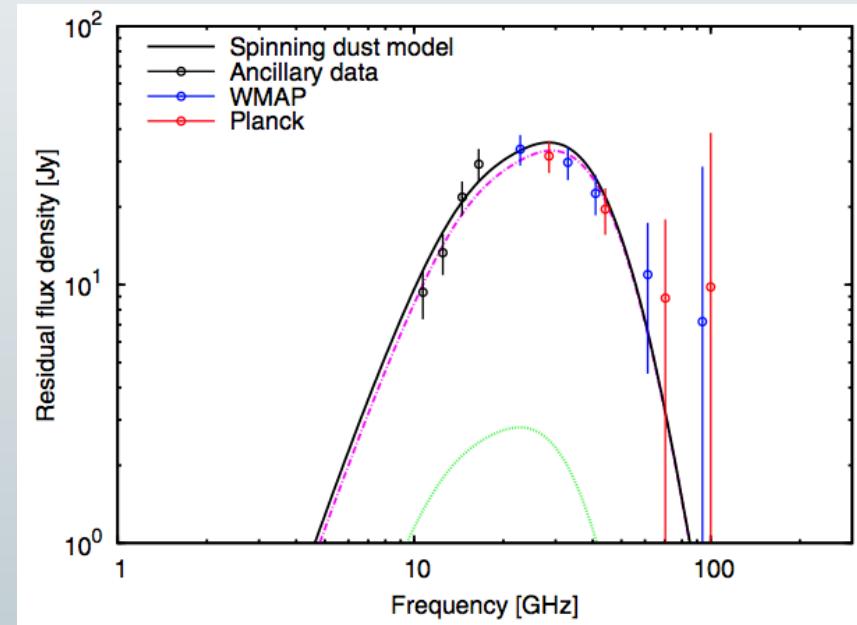
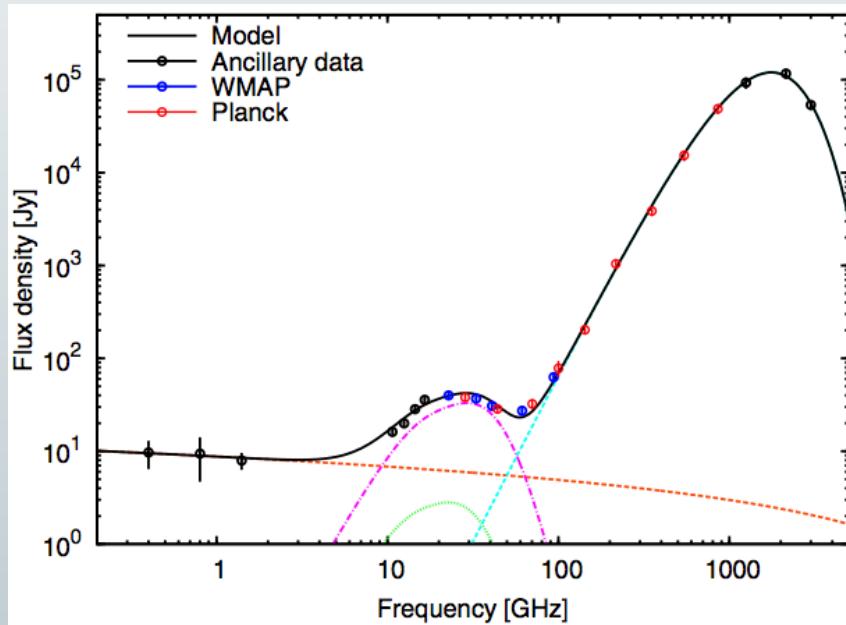


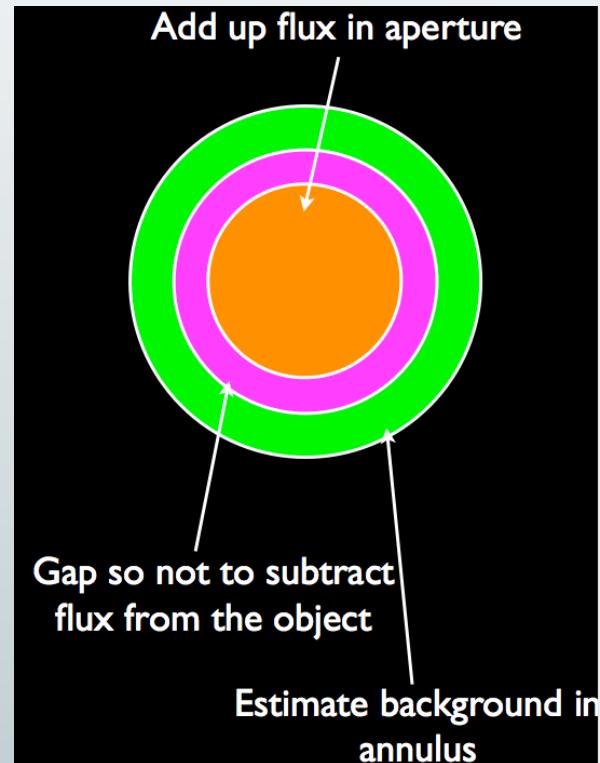
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- Planck collaboration et al., 2011, A&A, 536, A20
 - *Most precise spectra to-date (Perseus & ρ Ophiuchi)*
 - *Strong evidence for spinning dust model*



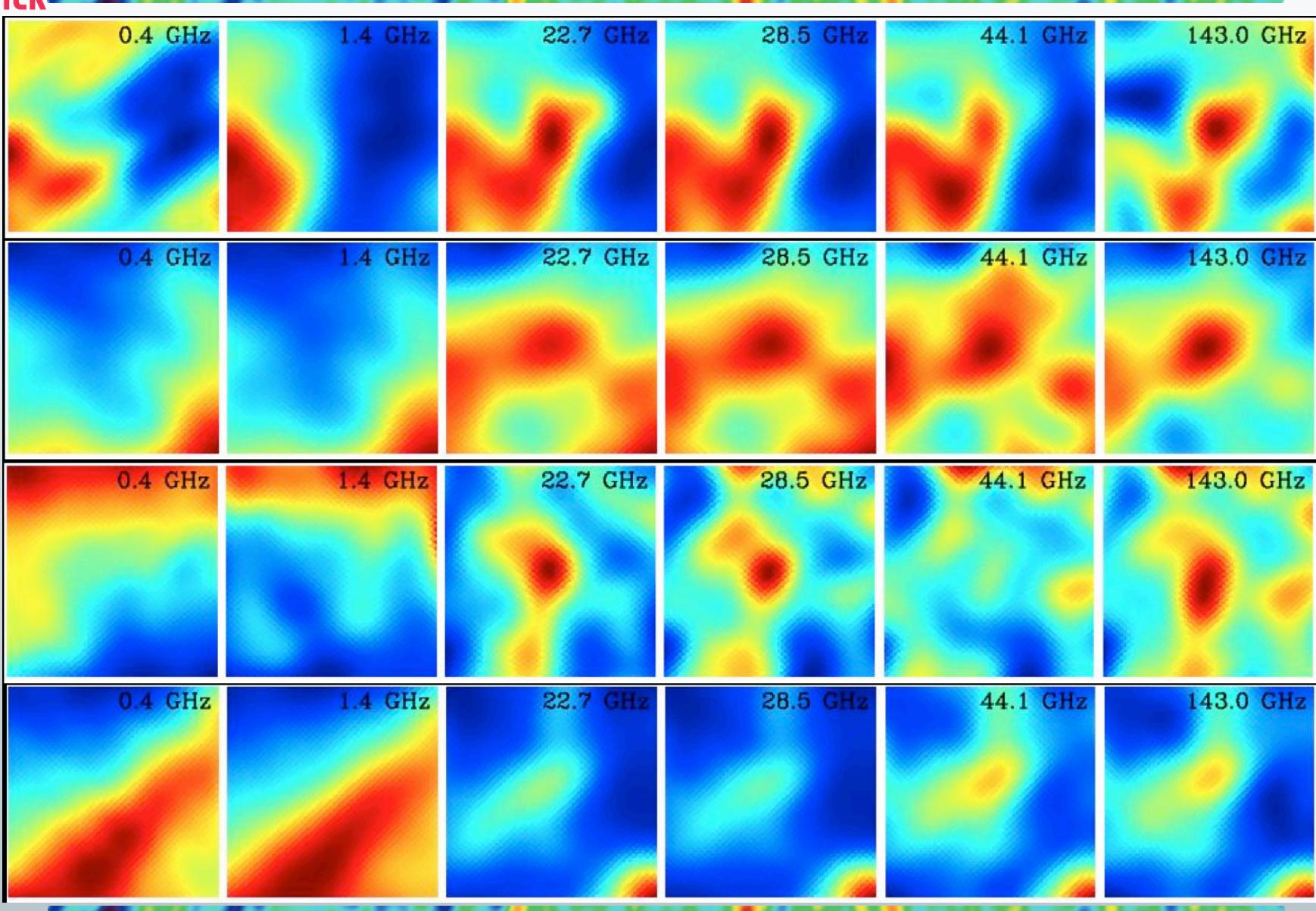
G160.26-18.62 (Perseus molecular cloud)

- Planck collaboration et al., in prep.
 - *To be submitted soon!*
- Sample of 98 sources
 - *Source detection (SEXtractor) at 70 GHz & template removal*
 - *Remove sources via cross-match with 30 and 100 GHz, extragalactic, SNRs etc.*
 - **Not a complete sample! (in any sense)**
- SEDs from aperture photometry
 - *Planck, WMAP, IRAS/DIRBE, low frequency radio data (1 deg smoothed)*
- Fit simple model to the SEDs

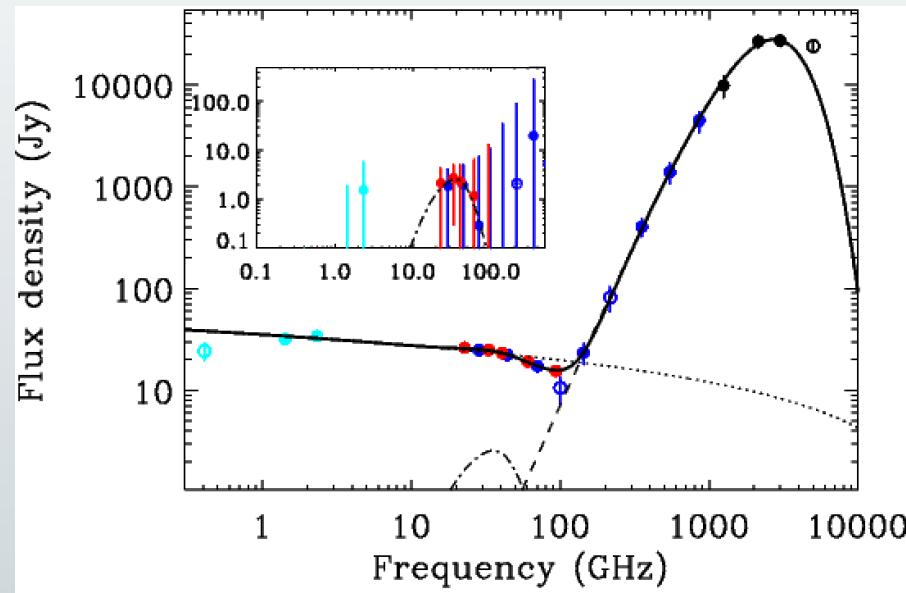
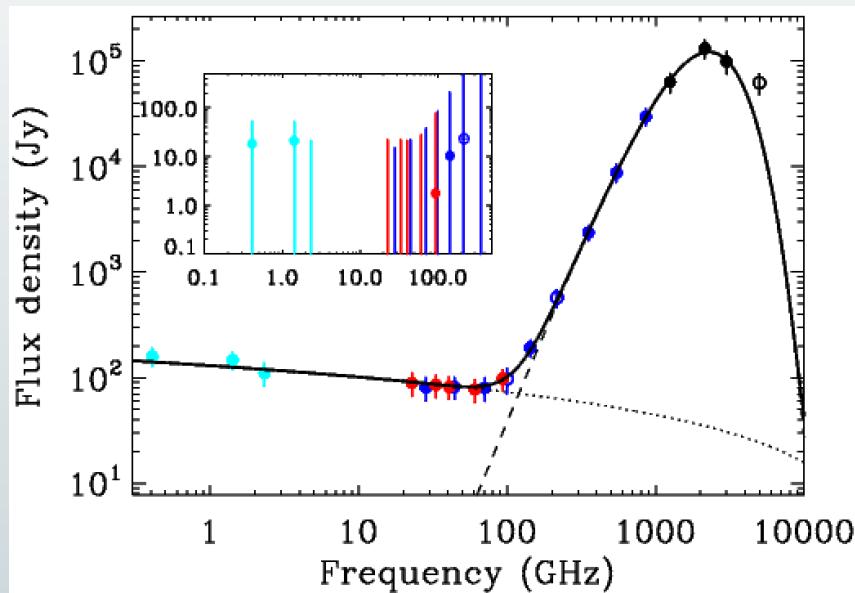




Example maps of new AME regions

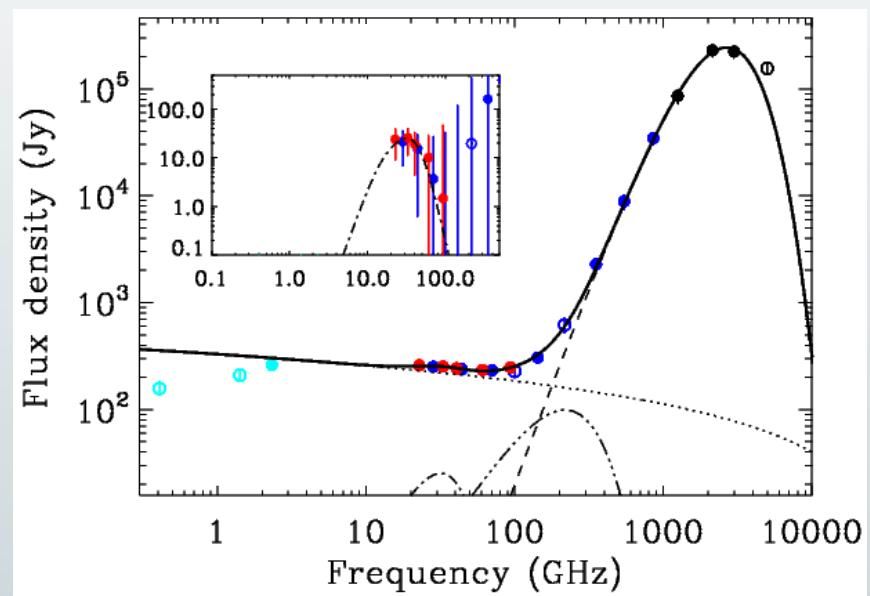
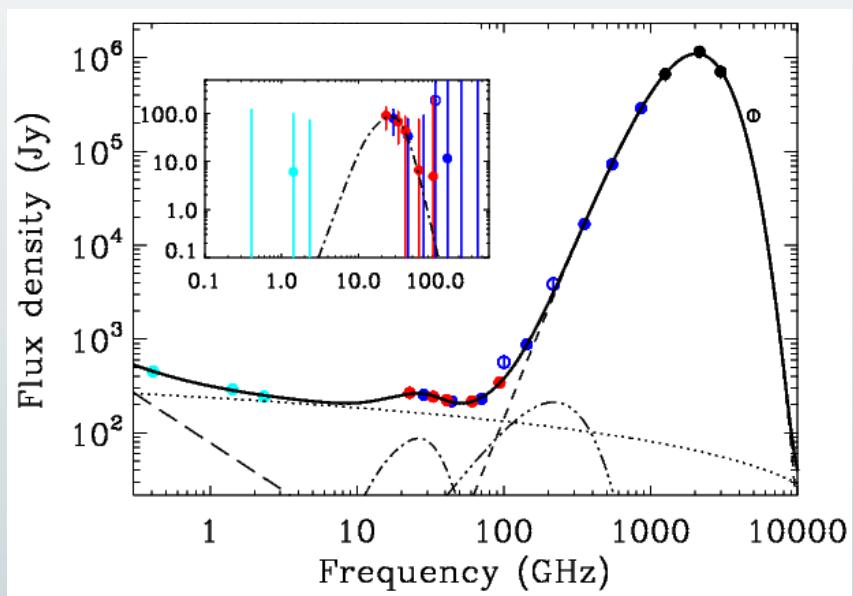


Example SEDs (1)



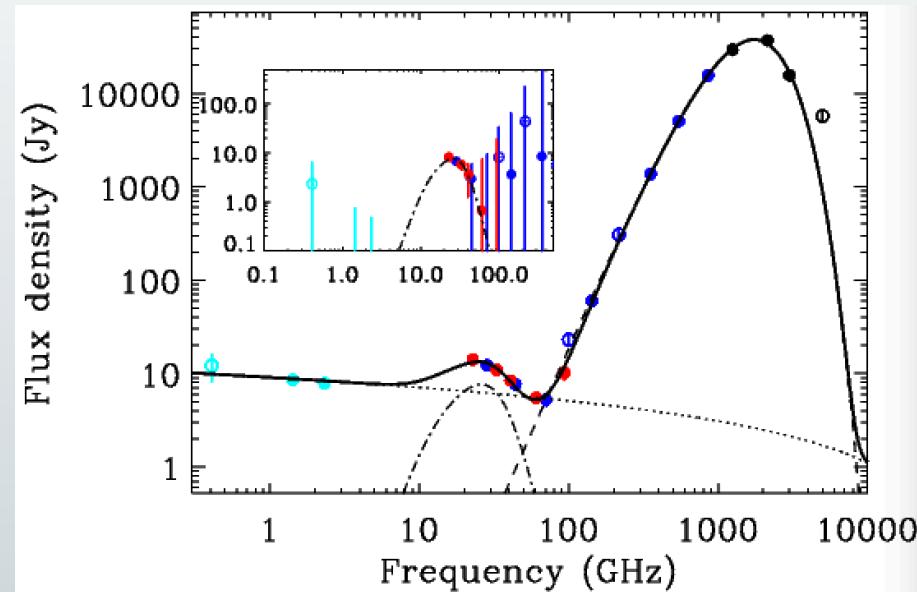
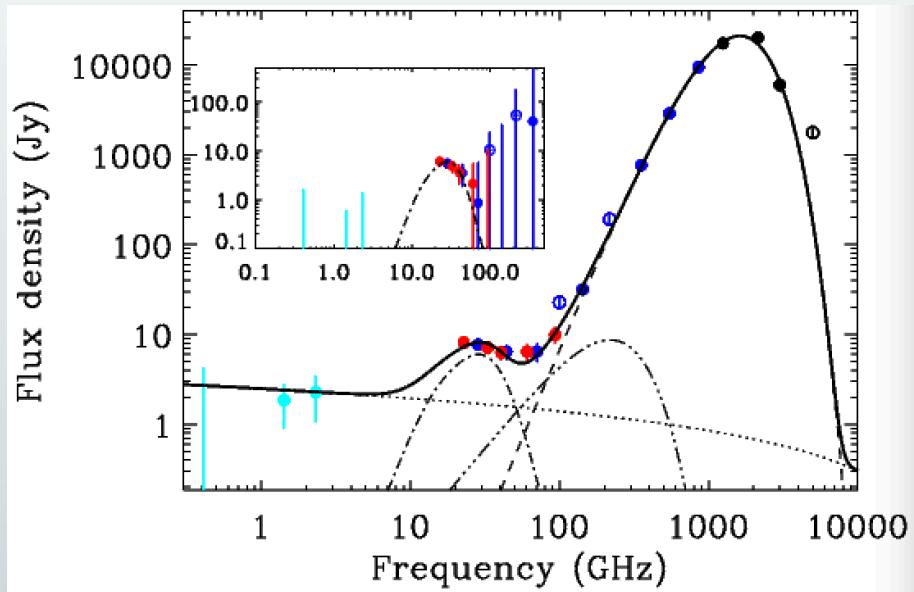
Most SEDs are a good fit to optically thin free-free, CMB fluctuation, single component thermal dust with possible small contribution from spinning dust

Example SEDs (2)



Synchrotron power-law needed for a few sources.
 Low frequency data sometimes omitted (e.g. if optically thick)

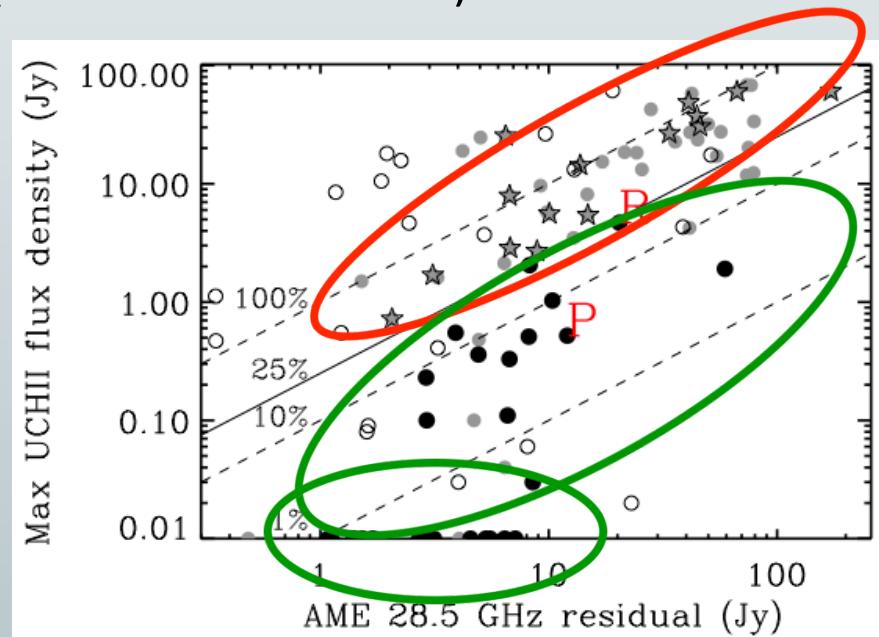
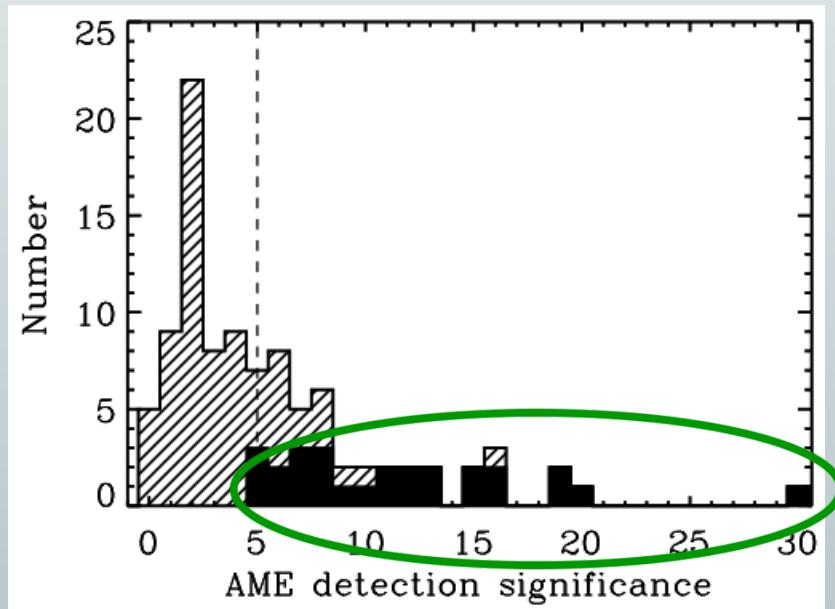
Example SEDs (3)



A significant number (~40) have a very strong “detection” of excess emission at ~20-60 GHz that is well-fitted by spinning dust

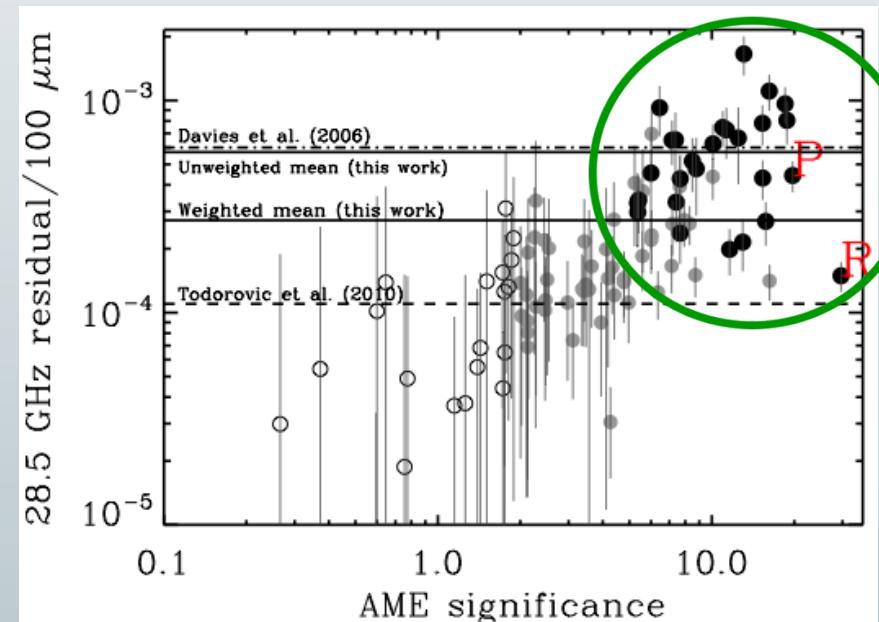
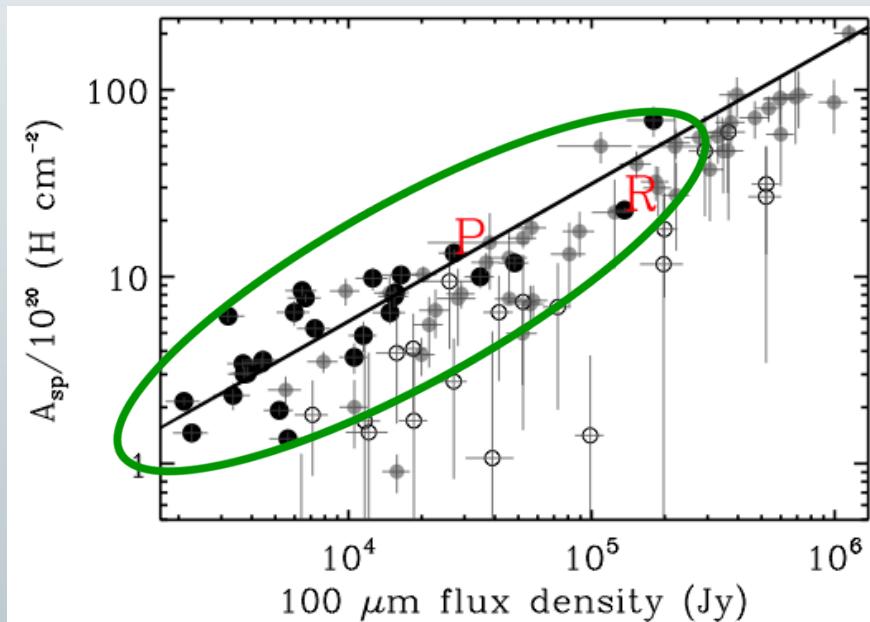
Significance

- Many sources show excess emission $\sim 20\text{-}60$ GHz
 - ~ 40 show high significance ($>5\sigma$)
 - ~ 15 could be contaminated at $>25\%$ level by optically thick free-free emission from UCHII regions
 - Strict upper limits of UCHII contamination estimated using IRAS PSC colours and radio/FIR ratios (Dickinson et al. 2012)



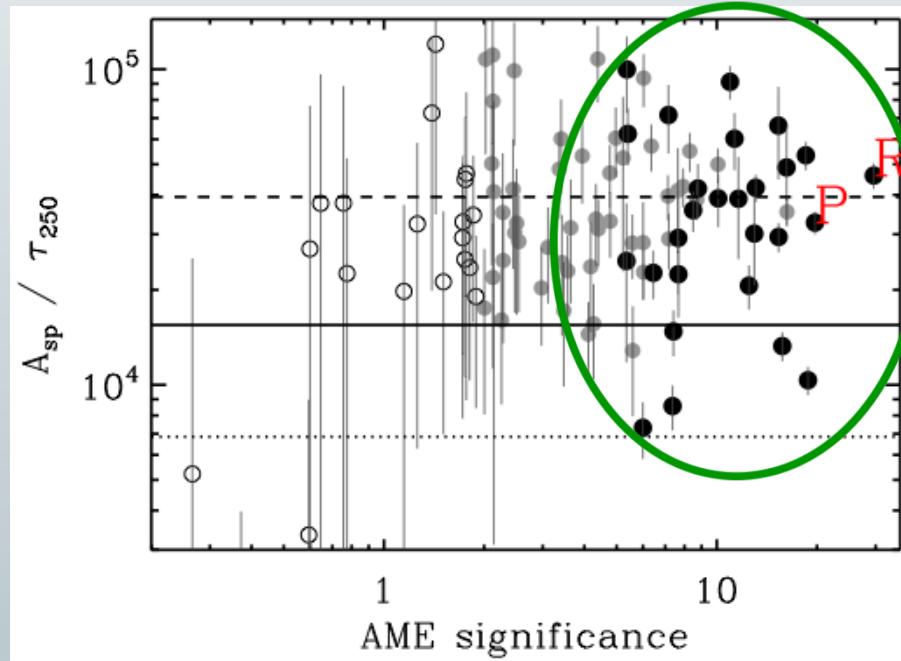
AME vs 100 micron

- Strong correlation with thermal dust
 - *AME sources show tight correlation with FIR*
 - *Emissivity has a large range but comparable to previous detections*
 - ~1 Jy @ 30 GHz for 3000 Jy @ 100 μm



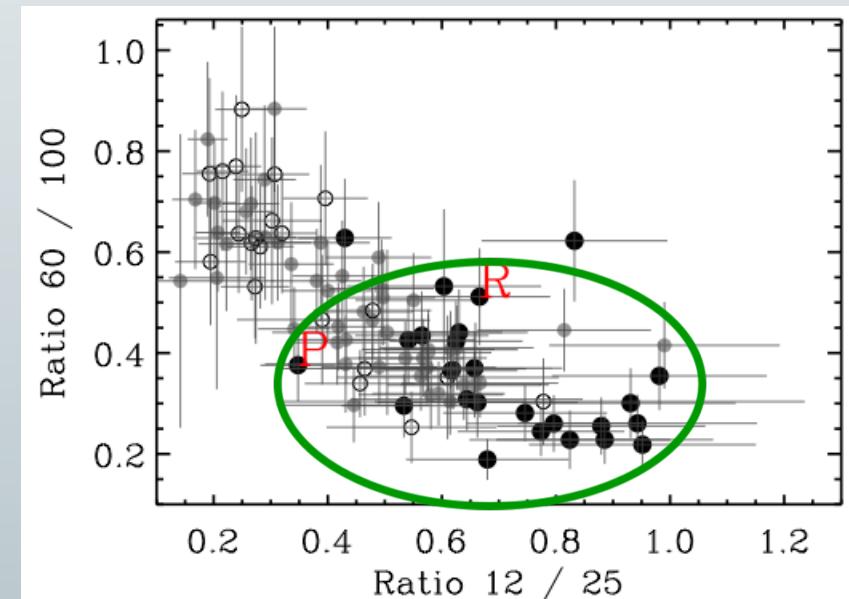
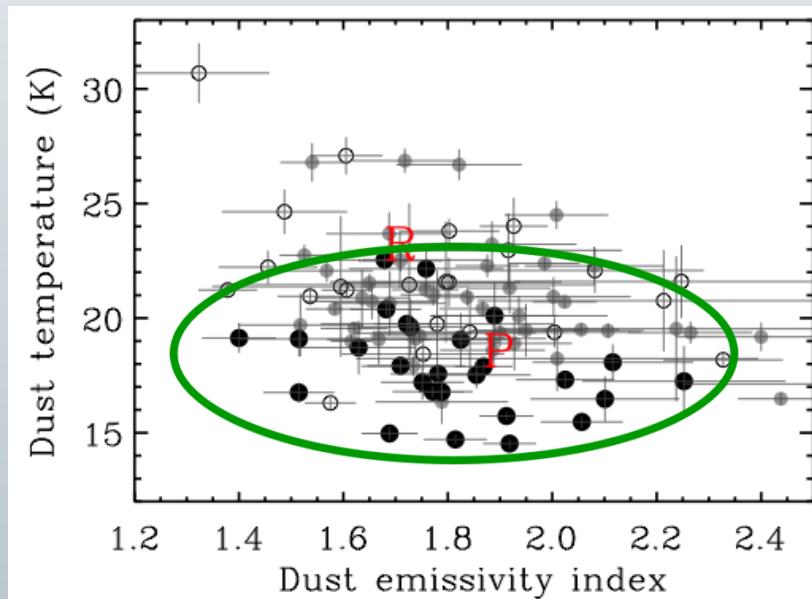
AME emissivity

- Emissivity of spinning dust relative to 100 μm flux density is dependent on dust temperature
 - *Emissivity relative to dust optical depth is not!*
- Significant variation (factor of ~ 10)
 - *Many regions at the same level! (but large errors)*

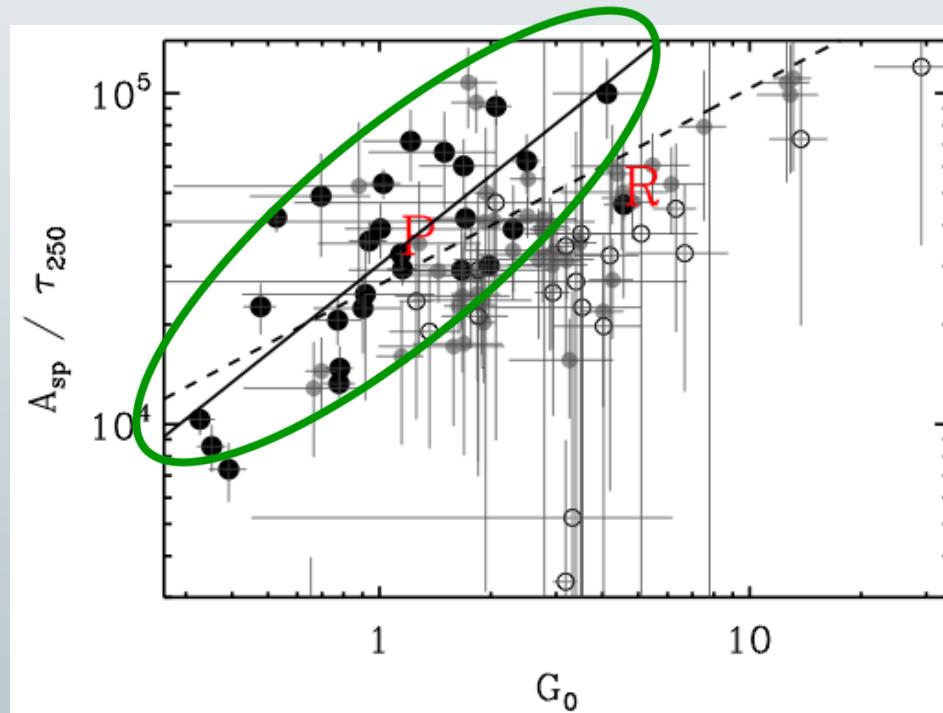


Dust properties

- Interesting trends found!
 - AME sources tend to be cooler
 - Higher 12/25 ratios → smaller grains more abundant
- Caution: selection effects could be affecting these results!
 - E.g. it is easier to detect cooler objects with less free-free emission



- Strength of interstellar radiation field (ISRF), G_0 , seems to be important
 - *AME emissivity appears to be correlated with G_0*
 - Trend has been seen in other studies (e.g. Tibbs et al. 2011)
 - *Can be explained within spinning dust model*





Conclusions



- Planck early paper
 - *Definitive evidence for spinning dust*
- Planck Intermediate paper:
 - *New sample of clouds: ~40 show >5 σ excess @ ~20-60 GHz*
 - *UCHII contribution could be important for ~15 of these*
 - *Spinning dust generally fits well with a wide range of emissivities*
 - *Some interesting trends observed e.g. T_{dust} , G_0*
- High-resolution multi-frequency follow-up observations needed! (e.g. AMI, SZA/CARMA)
- Watch out for the published paper coming soon!