# **Nuclear supernovae with Gaia**

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- Fraction of CCSNe "missed" in the nuclear regions of U/LIRGs as a function of z ?



#### **Existence of "dark" SNe in U/LIRGs**

- (Ultra)luminous IR galaxies locally rare but at  $z \sim 1-2$  dominate the star formation
- Stars forming rapidly during a few x 100 Myr starburst episodes
- Large numbers of massive short lived stars exploding as CCSNe
- Missed by surveys due to large extinctions and concentration to nuclear regions



# Adaptive Optics detection and study of SNe in LIRGs





NOT/NOTCam K-band (natural seeing) Arp 299 (LIRG)



#### Gemini-N/Altair JHK-band (Adaptive Optics)



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- $\bullet$  Detect SNe within a few hundred pc to kpc nuclear regions with  $A_V$  up to 18 mag

1" ~ 485 pc ⊢—	IC 883	Supernova	LIRG Host	Extinction $A_V$ (mag)	Projected distance (pc)	Туре
		SN 2004iq	IRAS 17138-1017	0–4	700	?
	SN 2010cu	SN 2008cs	IRAS 17138-1017	17 - 19	1500	IIn/L
		SN 2010O	IC 694 (Arp 299)	2	1100	Ib
SN 2011hi		SN 2010P	NGC 3690 (Arp 299)	7	1200	IIb
		SN 2010cu	IC 883	0 - 1	200	II-P?
		SN 2011 $hi$	IC 883	5 - 7	360	II-P?
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# SN follow-up in (circum)nuclear regions



SN 2010O an amateur discovery, SN 2010P discovered in Ks-band with the Nordic Optical Telescope (NOT) at  $\sim$ 1" from the nucleus C'

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#### SN 2010P: heavily obscured SN in Arp 299

- Near-IR photometry from Gemini-N, NOT
- Deep optical spectrum from Gemini-N
- Similar to the Type IIb SN 2011dh but  $A_V \sim 7$
- Radio follow-up from eMERLIN, VLA, EVN
- The most slowly evolving Type IIb radio SN





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- Gaia able to produce SN detections also within the nuclear regions of galaxies
- Can identify transients with 0.1-0.5 arcsec offset from the host galaxy nucleus
- Of the detected ~1300 SNe yr<sup>-1</sup> (m<19) ~200 at nuclear offset <1 arcsec
- In normal galaxies expect the nuclear detections to be dominated by SNe Ia
- In starburst galaxies and LIRGs expect a hidden population of nuclear CCSNe





## **Detection of nuclear SNe in LIRGs**

- MC simulations by Thomas Reynolds (PhD student, Turku):
  - Sample of ~320 IR bright galaxies and LIRGs (d < 150 Mpc)
  - CCSN rates from galaxy IR luminosities, relative SN rates
  - SN absolute magnitude distributions + template SN light curves
  - Extinctions from smooth exponential distribution of SNe/dust in a spiral disk
  - 'Missing' SN fraction similar to the LIRG Arp 299
  - Real cadence of Gaia observations, assume SNe brighter than 19 mag detected





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  - Expected *intrinsic* number of CCSNe ~150 SNe yr<sup>-1</sup>
  - Can detect 240 SNe over 3 yrs if no SNe missed in nuclear regions
  - Detect ~20-80 SNe over 3 yrs if similar missing fraction as found in Arp 299





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# **Summary**

- Supernovae in the (circum)nuclear regions of galaxies missed due to searches lacking a sufficient spatial resolution (and extinction)
- The rates and properties of nuclear SNe especially in U/LIRGs remained largely unexplored important for detailed comparison between CCSN rates and cosmic SFR
- Near-IR observations using AO correction successfully used for the detection and study of a number of *dust obscured* nuclear SNe in LIRGs
- Gaia has the potential to provide a significant sample of SNe within the *unobscured* nuclear regions of galaxies over the whole sky but spectral classification and follow-up tricky



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