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#### MULTIWAVELENGTH STUDY OF CIRCUMBINARY DISKS AROUND EVOLVED BINARY STARS WITH

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#### The post-AGB binary system



Adapted from Dullemond & Monnier 2010

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 $H\alpha$  line time series

Spectroscopy

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#### Spectral energy distribution

Ha line time series Talks of Meghna Menon and

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Morphology of the extended diskDust grain sizes and properties



Ertel et al. 2019

# Polarisation of the stellar light

Binary star

Unpolarised light

Dust grain

Linearly polarised light

Orientation of polarisation along the disk

Observational data:

Star

Stokes components

Unpolarised

Linearly polarised Circularly polarised

# Observations and sample of objects



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- 5 with IRDIS and ZIMPOL
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Kluska et. al. 2022, Corporaal et al., 2023

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An example object IRAS08544-4431, I band

**Basic reduction** 

Correction for unresolved polarisation

Image after deconvolution Richardson-Lucy algorithm

Andrych et al. 2023, 2024

#### Result: variety of complex structures





#### Andrych et al. 2023

#### Results: only full discs show clear elliptical disc surface



200

100

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#### Full disks









100

200

## Results: dust-metallicity dependence





Andrych et. al. 2023

#### Results: first direct measurement of the post-AGB disk scale-height



height above the mid-plane  $\sim$  190AU for the separation from the central binary of  $\sim$  1100AU



total height of the disc  $\sim$  90AU detected scattered emission to  $\sim$  250AU

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## Preliminary results: ZIMPOL vs IRDIS



Andrych et. al. 2024 in prep

# Multiwavelength case study of IRAS 08544-4431



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Higher inclination and lower extension of the disc with shorter wavelength -> warp in the disk?

## Multiwavelength results: IRAS 08544-4431

Presence of forward scattering peak is consistent with the porous dust aggregates of  $\sim 1 \mu m$  size and suggest the northern part of the disk being closer to the observer!





Andrych et. al. 2024 in prep

#### Comparison of post-AGB system IRAS 08544-4431 with protoplanetary disks

Post-AGB system shows relative polarized brightness similar to the brightest PPDs!

Grey polarized disc color is consistent with dust aggregates instead of single monomers!





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- Disks around post-AGB binaries are quite similar to protoplanetary disks
- Post-AGB binaries can bring important constraints on disk-binary interaction and disk evolution processes (including potential planet formation)
- Polarimetric observations show:
  - Complex morphology of the second-generation circumbinary disks.
  - Polarimetric efficiency of the post-AGB disk similar or higher than of protoplanetary disks
  - Lack of scattered light for some systems could be caused by lower level of dust production during the AGB/RGB phase
  - ✓ Wavelength dependence of the polarimetric disc brightness suggests porous dust aggregates of >1µm size
  - ✓ Signs of warping in the disk
- Combining multi-technique observational data and modelling efforts is essential to build a comprehensive image of these systems!



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