

<u>Changes in the surface chemistry of AGBs</u> (pollution of the ISM !!)

Third Dredge-Up * Penetration of the surface convection to regions touched by He-nucleosynthesis

* C and O increase

Hot Bottom Burning

- * Activation of proton capture nucleosynthesis at the bottom of the convective envelope
- * C and O decrease
- * N synthesis
- * Ne-Na, Mg-Al nucleosynthesis

AGB@Italy

- * The FUNS (FUII Network Stellar) Evolutionary Code Straniero et al. (2006); Cristallo et al. (2007, 2009)
- * The ATON code for stellar evolution Ventura et al. (1998, 2008)
- * The COLIBRI code Marigo et al. (2013); Rosenfield et al. (2014)

F.R.U.I.T.Y. Database (FUNS Repository of Updated Isotopic Tables & Yields) Cristallo et al. (2011, 2015)

On line at www.oa-teramo.inaf.it/fruity



The AGB scenario for the formation of multiple populations in Globular Clusters

Typical case: NGC 2808



Ventura+ 2001, 2002, 2006, 2008, 2013 Di Criscienzo+ 2010, 2011 D'Ercole+ 2008, 2010, 2011, 2012

Dust from AGBs

In more recent years dust production by AGBs has been Investigated via the description of a stationary, isotropic wind, driven by the effects of radiation pressure on the newly formed dust particles (e.g Ferrarotti & Gail 2006).

This schematization has been used by the Rome (Ventura+ 2012a,b, 2014; Di Criscienzo+ 2013) and Padua (Nanni+ 2013, 2014) groups to calculate the quantity and the grain size distribution of the dust formed in the winds of AGB stars

To date, these are the only compilations of dust from AGBs available in the literature



Dust production by AGBs (Ventura+ 2014)

Are the results from the various groups consistent?

Let's have a look at the temperature at the base of the envelope



Di Criscienzo+ 2016

Uncertainties in dust modelling I: carbonaceous dust



Uncertainties in dust modelling II: SILICATES



Results still highly uncertain: AGB modelling more critical than the description of dust formation in the wind

Two possibilities to constrain the models





NIR and IR data of AGB samples



Models with dust required to interpret IR data of AGBs in the LMC (Dell'Agli + 2015)



Additional data of extragalactic AGBs coming with the new space missions!

Understanding the observations of PNe in the LMC (Ventura+ 2015)



Dust as wind driver in AGB stars



The Luminosity function of Galactic C-stars



Distances from van Leeuwen+ 2007

P-L from Whitelock+ 2006

ALMA: characterization of the chemistry along the circumstellar envelope of AGB stars

GAIA: determination of the parallaxes of individual AGBs: opens the possibility of using the wide sample of Galactic AGBs to deduce information on the internal physics

JWST: extending the analysis at the moment limited to the MCs to all the galaxies in the local group and (maybe) bejond

ELT: High resolution spectroscopy of obscured AGBs with Metis & Hires \rightarrow determination of the isotopic ratios (crucial diagnostic!)

Crucial questions

- 1) Can we converge towards a homogeneous description of the AGB evolution? (important to fix the contribution from AGBs to gas pollution)
- 2) Do rotation and magnetic fields affect the internal structure and the evolution of AGBs?
- 3) Which is the evolutionary connection between AGBs and PNe?
- 4) Which is the dust mass budget expected from AGBs?
- 5) Which was the role of AGB stars in the early dust enrichment of the Universe?
- 6) Which is the feedback of AGB stars on the host environment?