ES04: Transient Key Project

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Main objectives

- Contribute to the definition & building of the imaging mode
- Study slow transients at low frequencies in the image plane with NenuFAR
- Conduct future definition and implementation of transient pipelines for the imaging mode.

Diversity of transient radio sources



Radio signatures

- mark the presence of magnetic fields
- have a rich spectral and temporal features
- associated to catastrophic events

at all scales in energy, distances, durations...



Observing (fast) transients at low frequencies



Contribution to the instrument

NICKEL correlator : first light (Virgo-A)

NenuFAR Imager Correlation Kluster Elaborated from LOFAR's



- <u>https://nenufar.obs-nancay.fr/2021/01/06/premiere-lumiere-du-nenufar-radio-imager/</u>
- → <u>https://www.astron.nl/dailyimage/main.php?date=20210201</u>

Contribution to the instrument

Near-field

The NenuFAR-TV Alan Loh

55.46875 MHz -- 2020-10-09T20:55:06 53.33 400 - 53.32 300 53.31 200 53.30 100 53.29 Δy (m) 53.28 뜅 0 53.27 -100 53.26 -200 53.25 -300 53.24 53.23 -400 -100 0 Δx (m) 100 200 300 400 -400-300-200





Transients Luminosity vs. variability timescale



NenuFAR ES04



Early Science Phase - Transient program:

- Monitoring of the Cygnus X region (Cyg X-3, Cyg X-1)

- Developping tools for image plane transient detection and monitoring

- 2 years of data ~2-4h/month
- ToO observations during June 2019 & 2020 & 2021 outbursts
- Simultaneous campaign (Nov 2019)

with INTEGRAL (Cyg X-1) - J. Rodriguez & Potentially VLA/SMA/JCMT/AMI/Swift/Nicer/SRT - E. Egron

Cyg X-3

Jet relativiste

WWWWWWWW X

M IR

Radio

Compagnon

Objet compact

Disque d'accrétion

Cyg X-3



Cyg X-3 May-June 2019 outburst

17-02-2019 Trushkin et al. Cyg X-3 entered a quenched radio state Hypersoft X-ray state

18-04-2019 Koljonen et al. Radio detection at 37 GHz

ATel #12668

ATel #12510

~10-30 d



Cyg X-3 May-June 2019 outburst



Trushkin et al., ATel #12701

Cyg X-3 May-June 2019 outburst



LOFAR 500 mJy - 1.5 Jy

LOFAR observations of the 2019 April–May flaring activity from Cygnus X-3

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Cyg X-3 Feb 2020 outburst



Cyg X-3 June 2020 outburst



Cyg X-3 March 2020

Field investigation



Restored image Boosted



Image residuals

After source subtraction (DI)

12

9.1

-8.3 -5.8 -3.4 -0.88 1.6 4.1 6.6 9.1 12

Data volume

Available data & data size

Semester	Obs time requested	Obtained/ Observed	Actually observed	Size on disk (L1)
S1: 06/2018 -> 11/2019	12h	100 %	12h	67 GB (XST)
S2: 12/2019 -> 05/2020	12h	100 %	12h	379 GB (XST)
S3: 06/2020 -> 11/2020	18h	177% (ToO)	32h	<mark>28,75 TB*</mark> (NRI L0+L1)
S4: 12/2020 -> 05/2021	44 h (24h monitoring + 20 Deep field)	81 %	36h	1.9 TB (NRI)
S5: 06/2021 -> 11/2021	44 h (24h monitoring + 20 Deep field)	86% (to this day)	38h	2,59 TB (NRI)
Total	100 %	130 hr	33,1 TB	

ES04 Priorities

- 1) Assess the data quality in the scope of ES4 program,
- 2) Make a deep, steady model or the Cygnus A region
- 3) Direction-dependent effect calibration and imaging and source peeling Open to new members to help us with that !

Conclusion for Cyg X-3

- Spectral turn-over ?
- Angular resolution (~1.8°x0.7°)
- Strong A team sources to subtract (Cyg A ~17 kJy)
- Confusion limited (~1-10 Jy)
- Direction-dependent calibration & peeling



Perspectives



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Near Real-time transient pipeline for NenuFAR ?

AARTFAAC-like ?



(Adapted from Prasad et al., 2014)