










The Star Formation in Radio Survey: Jansky Very Large Array 33 GHz Observations of Nearby Galaxy Nuclei and Extranuclear Star-forming Regions

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Abstract

We present 33 GHz imaging for 112 pointings toward galaxy nuclei and extranuclear star-forming regions at $\approx 2''$ resolution using the Karl G. Jansky Very Large Array (VLA) as part of the Star Formation in Radio Survey. A comparison with 33 GHz Robert C. Byrd Green Bank Telescope single-dish observations indicates that the interferometric VLA observations recover $78\% \pm 4\%$ of the total flux density over $25''$ regions ($\approx \text{kpc}$ scales) among all fields. On these scales, the emission being resolved out is most likely diffuse non-thermal synchrotron emission. Consequently, on the $\approx 30\text{--}300$ pc scales sampled by our VLA observations, the bulk of the 33 GHz emission is recovered and primarily powered by free-free emission from discrete H II regions, making it an excellent tracer of massive star formation. Of the 225 discrete regions used for aperture photometry, 162 are extranuclear (i.e., having galactocentric radii $r_G \geq 250$ pc) and detected at $>3\sigma$ significance at 33 GHz and in $\text{H}\alpha$. Assuming a typical 33 GHz thermal fraction of 90%, the ratio of optically-thin 33 GHz to uncorrected $\text{H}\alpha$ star formation rates indicates a median extinction value on $\approx 30\text{--}300$ pc scales of $A_{\text{H}\alpha} \approx 1.26 \pm 0.09$ mag, with an associated median absolute deviation of 0.87 mag. We find that 10% of these sources are “highly embedded” (i.e., $A_{\text{H}\alpha} \gtrsim 3.3$ mag), suggesting that on average, H II regions remain embedded for $\lesssim 1$ Myr. Finally, we find the median 33 GHz continuum-to- $\text{H}\alpha$ line flux ratio to be statistically larger within $r_G < 250$ pc relative to the outer disk regions by a factor of 1.82 ± 0.39 , while the ratio of 33 GHz to $24 \mu\text{m}$ flux densities is lower by a factor of 0.45 ± 0.08 , which may suggest increased extinction in the central regions.

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Supporting material: extended figure, machine-readable tables

1. Introduction

Radio emission from galaxies is powered by a combination of distinct physical processes. And although it is energetically weak with respect to a galaxy’s bolometric luminosity, it provides critical information on the massive star formation activity, as well as access to the relativistic [magnetic field + cosmic rays (CRs)] component in the interstellar medium (ISM) of galaxies.

Stars more massive than $\sim 8 M_\odot$ end their lives as core-collapse supernovae, whose remnants are thought to be the primary accelerators of CR electrons (e.g., Koyama et al. 1995), giving rise to the diffuse synchrotron emission observed from star-forming galaxies (Condon 1992). These same massive stars are also responsible for the creation of H II regions that produce radio free-free emission, whose strength is directly proportional to the production rate of ionizing (Lyman continuum) photons.

Radio frequencies spanning $\sim 1\text{--}100$ GHz, which are observable from the ground, are particularly useful for probing such processes. The non-thermal emission component typically has a steep spectrum ($S_\nu \propto \nu^{-\alpha}$, where $\alpha \sim 0.8$), while the thermal (free-free) component is relatively flat ($\alpha \sim 0.1$; e.g.,

Condon 1992). Accordingly, for globally integrated measurements of star-forming galaxies, lower frequencies (e.g., 1.4 GHz) are generally dominated by non-thermal emission, while the observed thermal fraction of the emission increases with frequency, eventually being dominated by free-free emission once beyond ~ 30 GHz (Condon & Yin 1990). For typical H II regions, the thermal fraction at 33 GHz can be considerably higher, being $\sim 80\%$ (Murphy et al. 2011). Thus, observations at such frequencies, which are largely unbiased by dust, provide an excellent diagnostic for the current star formation rate (SFR) of galaxies.

It is worth noting that the presence of an anomalous microwave emission (AME) component in excess of free-free emission between ~ 10 and 90 GHz, generally attributed to electric dipole rotational emission from ultrasmall ($a \lesssim 10^{-6}$ cm) grains (e.g., Erickson 1957; Draine & Lazarian 1998a, 1998b; Planck Collaboration et al. 2011) or magnetic dipole emission from thermal fluctuations in the magnetization of interstellar dust grains (Draine & Lazarian 1999; Hensley et al. 2016), may complicate this picture. For a single outer disk star-forming region in NGC 6946, Murphy et al. (2010) reported an excess of 33 GHz emission relative to what is expected given existing lower-frequency radio data. This result has been interpreted as the first

detection of so-called “anomalous” dust emission outside of the Milky Way. While the excess was only detected for a single region in this initial study, follow-up observations yielded additional detections in the disk of NGC 6946 (Hensley et al. 2015). However, it appears that this emission component is most likely sub-dominant for globally integrated measurements.

Due to the faintness of galaxies at high (i.e., $\gtrsim 15$ GHz) radio frequencies, existing work has been restricted to the brightest objects, and small sample sizes. For example, past studies demonstrating the link between high-frequency free-free emission and massive star formation include investigations of Galactic star-forming regions (e.g., Mezger & Henderson 1967), nearby dwarf irregular galaxies (e.g., Klein & Graeve 1986), galaxy nuclei (e.g., Turner & Ho 1983, 1994), nearby starbursts (e.g., Turner & Ho 1985; Klein et al. 1988), and super star clusters within nearby blue compact dwarfs (e.g., Turner et al. 1998; Kobulnicky & Johnson 1999). And while these studies focus on the free-free emission from galaxies, each was conducted at frequencies $\lesssim 30$ GHz. With recent improvements to the backends of existing radio telescopes, such as the Caltech Continuum Backend (CCB) on the Robert C. Byrd Green Bank Telescope (GBT) and the Wideband Interferometric Digital ARchitecture (WIDAR) correlator on the Karl G. Jansky Very Large Array (VLA), the availability of increased bandwidth is making it possible to conduct investigations for large samples of objects at frequencies ~ 30 GHz.

In a recent paper, we presented 33 GHz photometry taken with the CCB on the GBT as part of the Star Formation in Radio Survey (SFRS; Murphy et al. 2012). Building on that work, we obtained 33 GHz imaging for the SFRS using the VLA, allowing us to map the 33 GHz emission from each region on $\gtrsim 2''$ scales, compared to the $\approx 25''$ single-beam GBT photometry. These galaxies, which are included in the *Spitzer* Infrared Nearby Galaxies Survey (SINGS; Kennicutt et al. 2003) and Key Insights on Nearby Galaxies: a Far-Infrared Survey with *Herschel* (KINGFISH; Kennicutt et al. 2011) legacy programs, are well studied and have a wealth of ancillary data available. We are currently in the process of reducing and imaging complementary interferometric observations at matched resolution in the S- (2–4 GHz) and Ku- (12–18 GHz) bands (VLA/13B-215; PI. Murphy), which will allow us to extend this analysis by making spectral index maps and doing proper thermal/non-thermal decompositions. The complete multi-band survey data and associated full analysis will be presented in a forthcoming paper.

In this paper, we present catalogs of 33 GHz images and flux density measurements based on VLA observations of the galaxies included in the SFRS. The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we describe our sample selection and the analysis procedures used in the present study. Our results are presented and discussed in Section 3. In Section 4 we summarize our main conclusions. Throughout the paper we report median absolute deviations rather than standard deviations, as this statistic is more resilient against outliers in a data set.

2. Sample and Data Analysis

In this section we describe the sample selection. We additionally present the VLA observations along with our reduction and imaging procedures, and provide a description of the ancillary data utilized for the present study.

2.1. Sample Selection

The SFRS sample comprises nuclear and extranuclear star-forming regions in 56 nearby galaxies ($d < 30$ Mpc) observed as part of the SINGS (Kennicutt et al. 2003) and KINGFISH (Kennicutt et al. 2011) legacy programs. Each of these nuclear and extranuclear star-forming complexes have mid-infrared [i.e., low resolution from 5 to 14 μm ($0'.3 \times 0'.9$) and high resolution from 10 to 37 μm ($0'.3 \times 0'.4$)] spectral mappings carried out by the IRS instrument on board *Spitzer*, and $47'' \times 47''$ *Herschel*/PACS far-infrared spectral mappings for a combination of the principal atomic ISM cooling lines of [O I]63 μm , [O III]88 μm , [N II]122, 205 μm , and [C II]158 μm . NGC 5194 and NGC 2403 are exceptions; these galaxies were part of the SINGS sample, but are not formally included in KINGFISH. They were observed with *Herschel* as part of the Very Nearby Galaxy Survey (VNGS; PI: C. Wilson). Similarly, there are additional KINGFISH galaxies that were not part of SINGS, but have existing *Spitzer* data: NGC 5457 (M101), IC 342, NGC 3077, and NGC 2146.

SINGS and KINGFISH galaxies were chosen to cover the full range of integrated properties and ISM conditions found in the local universe, spanning the full range in morphological types, a factor of $\sim 10^5$ in infrared (IR: 8–1000 μm) luminosity, a factor of $\sim 10^3$ in $L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\text{opt}}$, and a large range in SFR ($\lesssim 10^{-3}$ – $10 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$). Similarly, spectroscopically targeted extranuclear sources included in SINGS and KINGFISH were selected to cover the full range of physical conditions and spectral characteristics found in (bright) infrared sources in nearby galaxies, requiring optical and infrared selections. Optically selected extranuclear regions were chosen to span a large range in physical properties, including the extinction-corrected production rate of ionizing photons [$Q(H^0) \sim 10^{49}$ – 10^{52} s^{-1}], metallicity (~ 0.1 – $3 Z_{\odot}$), visual extinction ($A_V \lesssim 4$ mag), radiation field intensity (100-fold range), ionizing stellar temperature [$T_{\text{eff}} \sim (3.5$ – $5.5) \times 10^4$ K], and local $\text{H}_2/\text{H I}$ ratios ($\lesssim 0.1$ – $\gtrsim 10$). A sub-sample of infrared-selected extranuclear targets were chosen to span a range in $f_{\text{IR}}(8 \mu\text{m})/f_{\text{IR}}(24 \mu\text{m})$ and $f_{\text{H}\alpha}/f_{\text{IR}}(8 \mu\text{m})$ ratios.

The total set of observations over the entire sky consists of 118 star-forming complexes (56 nuclei and 62 extranuclear regions), 112 of which (50 nuclei and 62 extranuclear regions; see Tables 1 and 2, respectively) are observable with the VLA (i.e., having $\delta > -35^\circ$). The coordinates given in both tables are the VLA pointing centers, which correspond to the centers of the *Spitzer* mid-infrared and *Herschel* far-infrared spectral line maps. Galaxy morphologies, adopted distances, optically defined nuclear types, diameters (D_{25}), inclinations (i), and position angles (P.A.) are given in Table 1. When categorizing nuclear types using Ho et al. (1997), we assign them to be star-forming (SF) if they were given an H II classification or AGN if they were given either a Seyfert or LINER classification. Galaxy morphologies, diameters, and position angles were taken from the Third Reference Catalog of Bright Galaxies (RC3; de Vaucouleurs et al. 1991). For a number of sources, position angles were not given in the RC3 catalog, so we instead use those derived using 2.2 μm (K_s band) photometry from the Two Micron All Sky Survey (2MASS) and given in Jarrett et al. (2003). These sources are identified in Table 1. We calculate inclinations using the method described by Dale et al. (1997) such that,

$$\cos^2 i = \frac{(b/a)^2 - (b/a)_{\text{int}}^2}{1 - (b/a)_{\text{int}}^2}, \quad (1)$$

Table 1
Galaxy Properties and Nuclear Source Positions

Galaxy	R.A. (J2000)	Decl. (J2000)	Type ^a	Dist. ^b (Mpc)	Nuc. Type ^c	D_{25}^a (arcmin)	i ($^\circ$)	P.A. ^a ($^\circ$)
NGC 0337	00 59 50.3	-07 34 44	SBd	19.3	SF	2.9×1.8	52	130
NGC 0628	01 36 41.7	+15 46 59	SAC	7.2	...	10.5×9.5	25	25
NGC 0855	02 14 03.7	+27 52 38	E	9.73	SF	2.6×1.0	70	67 ^d
NGC 0925	02 27 17.0	+33 34 43	SABd	9.12	SF	10.5×5.9	57	102
NGC 1097	02 46 19.1	-30 16 28	SBb	14.2	AGN	9.3×6.3	48	130
NGC 1266	03 16 00.8	-02 25 38	S0	30.6	AGN	1.5×1.0	49	108 ^d
NGC 1377	03 36 38.9	-20 54 06	S0	24.6	...	1.8×0.9	61	92
IC 0342	03 46 48.5	+68 05 46	SABcd	3.28	SF(*)	$21.4 \times 20.$	21	153 ^d
NGC 1482	03 54 39.5	-20 30 07	SA0	22.6	SF	2.5×1.4	57	103
NGC 2146	06 18 37.7	+78 21 25	Sbab	17.2	SF(*)	6.0×3.4	56	57
NGC 2403	07 36 50.0	+65 36 04	SABcd	3.22	SF(*)	21.9×12.3	57	128
Holmberg II	08 19 13.3	+70 43 08	Im	3.05	...	7.9×6.3	37	16
NGC 2798	09 17 22.8	+41 59 58	SBa	25.8	SF/AGN	2.6×1.0	70	160
NGC 2841	09 22 02.7	+50 58 36	SAb	14.1	AGN	8.1×3.5	66	147
NGC 2976	09 47 15.3	+67 55 00	SAC	3.55	SF	5.9×2.7	64	143
NGC 3049	09 54 49.6	+09 16 17	SBab	19.2	SF	2.2×1.4	51	25
NGC 3077	10 03 19.1	+68 44 02	I0pec	3.83	SF(*)	5.4×4.5	34	45
NGC 3190	10 18 05.6	+21 49 55	SAap	19.3	AGN(*)	4.4×1.5	73	125
NGC 3184	10 18 16.7	+41 25 27	SABcd	11.7	SF	7.4×6.9	21	135
NGC 3198	10 19 54.9	+45 32 59	Sbc	14.1	SF	8.5×3.3	68	35
IC 2574	10 28 48.4	+68 28 02	SABm	3.79	SF(*)	13.2×5.4	67	50
NGC 3265	10 31 06.7	+28 47 48	E	19.6	SF	1.3×1.0	39	73
NGC 3351	10 43 57.8	+11 42 14	SBb	9.33	SF	7.4×5.0	48	13
NGC 3521	11 05 48.9	-00 02 06	SABbc	11.2	SF/AGN(*)	11.0×5.1	63	163
NGC 3621	11 18 16.0	-32 48 42	SAd	6.55	AGN	12.3×7.1	55	159
NGC 3627	11 20 15.0	+12 59 30	SABb	9.38	AGN	9.1×4.2	64	173
NGC 3773	11 38 13.0	+12 06 45	SA0	12.4	SF	1.2×1.0	33	165
NGC 3938	11 52 49.5	+44 07 14	SAC	17.9	SF(*)	5.4×4.9	25	29 ^d
NGC 4254	12 18 49.4	+14 24 59	SAC	14.4	SF/AGN	5.4×4.7	30	24 ^d
NGC 4321	12 22 54.9	+15 49 21	SABbc	14.3	AGN	7.4×6.3	32	30
NGC 4536	12 34 27.1	+02 11 17	SABbc	14.5	SF/AGN	7.6×3.2	66	130
NGC 4559	12 35 57.7	+27 57 36	SABcd	6.98	SF	10.7×4.4	67	150
NGC 4569	12 36 49.8	+13 09 46	SABab	9.86	AGN	9.5×4.4	64	23
NGC 4579	12 37 43.6	+11 49 02	SABb	16.4	AGN	5.9×4.7	37	95
NGC 4594	12 39 59.4	-11 37 23	SAa	9.08	AGN	8.7×3.5	69	90
NGC 4625	12 41 52.4	+41 16 24	SABmp	9.3	SF	2.2×1.9	31	28 ^d
NGC 4631	12 42 05.9	+32 32 22	Sbd	7.62	SF(*)	15.5×2.7	83	86
NGC 4725	12 50 26.6	+25 30 06	SABab	11.9	AGN	10.7×7.6	45	35
NGC 4736	12 50 53.0	+41 07 14	SAab	4.66	AGN(*)	11.2×9.1	35	105
NGC 4826	12 56 43.9	+21 41 00	SAab	5.27	AGN	10.0×5.4	59	115
NGC 5055	13 15 49.2	+42 01 49	SAbc	7.94	AGN	12.6×7.2	56	105
NGC 5194	13 29 52.7	+47 11 43	SABbcp	7.62	AGN	11.2×6.9	53	163
NGC 5398	14 01 20.2	-33 04 09	SBdm	7.66	...	2.8×1.7	53	172
NGC 5457	14 03 12.6	+54 20 57	SABcd	6.7	SF(*)	$28.8 \times 26.$	26	29 ^d
NGC 5474	14 05 01.3	+53 39 44	SACd	6.8	SF(*)	4.8×4.3	27	98 ^d
NGC 5713	14 40 11.3	-00 17 27	SABbcp	21.4	SF	2.8×2.5	27	10
NGC 5866	15 06 29.5	+55 45 48	S0	15.3	AGN	4.7×1.9	69	128
NGC 6946	20 34 52.3	+60 09 14	SABcd	6.8	SF	11.5×9.8	32	53 ^d
NGC 7331	22 37 04.1	+34 24 56	SAb	14.5	AGN	10.5×3.7	72	171
NGC 7793	23 57 49.2	-32 35 24	SAd	3.91	SF	9.3×6.3	48	98

Notes.

^a Morphological types, diameters, and position angles were taken from the Third Reference Catalog of Bright Galaxies (RC3; de Vaucouleurs et al. 1991).

^b Redshift-independent distance taken from the list compiled by Kennicutt et al. (2011), except for the two non-KINGFISH galaxies NGC 5194 (Ciardullo et al. 2002) and NGC 2403 (Freedman et al. 2001).

^c Nuclear type based on optical spectroscopy: SF = star-forming; AGN = non-thermal emission as given in Table 5 of Moustakas et al. (2010) or (*) Table 4 of Ho et al. (1997).

^d Position angle taken from Jarrett et al. (2003).

where a and b are the observed semimajor and semiminor axes and the disks are oblate spheroids with an intrinsic axial ratio $(b/a)_{\text{int}} \simeq 0.2$ for morphological types earlier than Sbc and $(b/a)_{\text{int}} \simeq 0.13$ otherwise.

2.2. 33 GHz VLA Observations and Data Reduction

Observations in the Ka-band (26.5–40 GHz) were taken during two separate VLA D-configuration cycles. As with our

Table 2
Extranuclear Source Positions

ID	R.A. (J2000)	Decl. (J2000)
NGC 0628 E nuc. 1	01 36 45.1	+15 47 51
NGC 0628 E nuc. 2	01 36 37.5	+15 45 12
NGC 0628 E nuc. 3	01 36 38.8	+15 44 25
NGC 0628 E nuc. 4	01 36 35.5	+15 50 11
NGC 1097 E nuc. 1	02 46 23.9	-30 17 50
NGC 1097 E nuc. 2	02 46 14.4	-30 15 04
NGC 2403 E nuc. 1	07 36 45.5	+65 37 00
NGC 2403 E nuc. 2	07 36 52.7	+65 36 46
NGC 2403 E nuc. 3	07 37 06.9	+65 36 39
NGC 2403 E nuc. 4	07 37 17.9	+65 33 46
NGC 2403 E nuc. 5	07 36 19.5	+65 37 04
NGC 2403 E nuc. 6	07 36 28.5	+65 33 50
NGC 2976 E nuc. 1	09 47 07.8	+67 55 52
NGC 2976 E nuc. 2	09 47 24.1	+67 53 56
NGC 3521 E nuc. 1	11 05 46.3	-00 04 09
NGC 3521 E nuc. 2	11 05 49.9	-00 03 39
NGC 3521 E nuc. 3	11 05 47.6	+00 00 33
NGC 3627 E nuc. 1	11 20 16.2	+12 57 50
NGC 3627 E nuc. 2	11 20 16.3	+12 58 44
NGC 3627 E nuc. 3	11 20 16.0	+12 59 52
NGC 3938 E nuc. 1	11 52 46.4	+44 07 01
NGC 3938 E nuc. 2	11 53 00.0	+44 07 55
NGC 4254 E nuc. 1	12 18 49.1	+14 23 59
NGC 4254 E nuc. 2	12 18 44.6	+14 24 25
NGC 4321 E nuc. 1	12 22 58.9	+15 49 35
NGC 4321 E nuc. 2	12 22 49.8	+15 50 29
NGC 4631 E nuc. 1	12 41 40.8	+32 31 51
NGC 4631 E nuc. 2	12 42 21.3	+32 33 06
NGC 4736 E nuc. 1	12 50 56.2	+41 07 20
NGC 5055 E nuc. 1	13 15 58.0	+42 00 26
NGC 5194 E nuc. 1	13 29 53.1	+47 12 40
NGC 5194 E nuc. 2	13 29 44.1	+47 10 21
NGC 5194 E nuc. 3	13 29 44.6	+47 09 55
NGC 5194 E nuc. 4	13 29 56.2	+47 14 07
NGC 5194 E nuc. 5	13 29 59.6	+47 14 01
NGC 5194 E nuc. 6	13 29 39.5	+47 08 35
NGC 5194 E nuc. 7	13 30 02.5	+47 09 52
NGC 5194 E nuc. 8	13 30 01.6	+47 12 52
NGC 5194 E nuc. 9	13 29 59.9	+47 11 12
NGC 5194 E nuc. 10	13 29 56.7	+47 10 46
NGC 5194 E nuc. 11	13 29 49.7	+47 13 29
NGC 5457 E nuc. 1	14 03 10.2	+54 20 57
NGC 5457 E nuc. 2	14 02 55.0	+54 22 26
NGC 5457 E nuc. 3	14 03 41.3	+54 19 04
NGC 5457 E nuc. 4	14 03 53.1	+54 22 06
NGC 5457 E nuc. 5	14 03 01.1	+54 14 28
NGC 5457 E nuc. 6	14 02 28.1	+54 16 26
NGC 5457 E nuc. 7	14 04 29.3	+54 23 46
NGC 5713 E nuc. 1	14 40 12.1	-00 17 47
NGC 5713 E nuc. 2	14 40 10.5	-00 17 47
NGC 6946 E nuc. 1	20 35 16.6	+60 10 57
NGC 6946 E nuc. 2	20 35 25.1	+60 10 03
NGC 6946 E nuc. 3	20 34 52.2	+60 12 41
NGC 6946 E nuc. 4	20 34 19.4	+60 10 09
NGC 6946 E nuc. 5	20 34 39.0	+60 04 53
NGC 6946 E nuc. 6	20 35 06.0	+60 11 00
NGC 6946 E nuc. 7	20 35 11.2	+60 08 59
NGC 6946 E nuc. 8	20 34 32.2	+60 10 19
NGC 6946 E nuc. 9	20 35 12.7	+60 08 52
NGC 7793 E nuc. 1	23 57 48.8	-32 36 58
NGC 7793 E nuc. 2	23 57 56.1	-32 35 40
NGC 7793 E nuc. 3	23 57 48.8	-32 34 52

GBT program, the observing strategy was constructed to make the most efficient use of the telescope. Thus, given the large range in brightness among our targeted regions, we varied the time spent on source based on an estimate of the expected 33 GHz flux density using the *Spitzer* 24 μ m maps.

D-configuration observations were obtained in 2011 November (VLA/11B-032) and 2013 March (VLA/13A-129). For the first round of observations, the 8-bit samplers were used, yielding 2 GHz of simultaneous bandwidth, which we used to center 1 GHz wide basebands at 32.5 and 33.5 GHz. For the latter run, the 3-bit samplers became available, yielding 8 GHz of instantaneous bandwidth in 2 GHz wide basebands centered at 30, 32, 34, and 36 GHz. The standard VLA flux density calibrators 3C 48, 3C 286, and 3C 147 were used.

During the 11B semester, there was a correlator malfunction such that for all correlator integration times, only the first second was recorded. In our case, we used a 3 s dump time, resulting in only obtaining $\frac{1}{3}$ of the requested data. Because of this, a fraction of sources included in VLA/11B-032 were re-observed later in the semester, some of which were observed during the move in DnC-configuration. We additionally re-observed a number of sources during 13A that were not re-observed in 11B. These various cases are identified in Tables 3 and 4.

To reduce the VLA data, we used a number of Common Astronomy Software Applications (CASA; McMullin et al. 2007) versions and followed standard calibration and editing procedures, including the utilization of the VLA calibration pipeline. For data calibrated with the VLA pipeline using CASA 4.4.0 or later, we inspected the visibilities and calibration tables for evidence of bad antennas, frequency ranges, and time ranges, flagging correspondingly. We also flagged any instances of RFI, which we found very little of at 33 GHz. After flagging, we re-ran the pipeline, and repeated this process until all bad data was removed.

For data calibrated without the pipeline, we used the following general procedure, and regenerated all previous calibration tables as necessary if antennas, frequencies, or time ranges were flagged for having bad data:

1. Generate initial calibration tables for antenna position, opacity, and gain curve.
2. Set the flux calibrator's flux scale using the 2010 version of the Perley & Butler model.
3. Generate the initial delay calibration table (using the flux calibrator), applying prior calibration tables on-the-fly.
4. Generate the initial short (15 s) integration phase-only gain calibration table (using the flux calibrator), applying the delay table and prior tables on-the-fly.
5. Generate the initial bandpass calibration (using the flux calibrator), applying the delay, phase, and prior tables on-the-fly.
6. Generate the final short integration phase-only gain calibration tables for all calibrators (flux and phase), applying the delay, bandpass, and prior tables on-the-fly.
7. Generate amplitude+phase gain calibration tables for all calibrators, applying the delay, short phase, bandpass, and prior tables on-the-fly.
8. Use the amplitude+phase calibration tables to set the final flux scale calibration for all phase calibrators.

Table 3
Nuclear Source Imaging Characteristics

Galaxy	Program ID	Synthesized Beam	σ ($\mu\text{Jy bm}^{-1}$)	σ_{TB} (mK)
NGC 0337	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2 ^h 04 × 1 ^m 13	12.5	6.05
NGC 0628	VLA/11B-32 ^b	2 ^h 14 × 1 ^m 94	21.1	5.66
NGC 0855	VLA/11B-32 ^b	1 ^h 92 × 0 ^m 93	11.3	7.12
NGC 0925	VLA/11B-32 ^b	1 ^h 91 × 1 ^m 36	12.9	5.56
NGC 1097	VLA/11B-32 ^a	3 ^h 17 × 1 ^m 55	43.1	9.80
NGC 1266	VLA/11B-32 ^b	2 ^h 42 × 1 ^m 88	52.2	12.82
NGC 1377	VLA/11B-32 ^b	3 ^h 57 × 1 ^m 91	29.8	4.87
IC 0342	VLA/11B-32 ^a	1 ^h 75 × 1 ^m 72	34.6	12.78
NGC 1482	VLA/11B-32 ^b	3 ^h 27 × 1 ^m 79	72.0	13.78
NGC 2146	VLA/11B-32 ^a	1 ^h 90 × 1 ^m 07	34.1	18.79
NGC 2403	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 42 × 1 ^m 85	9.9	2.47
Holmberg II	VLA/11B-32 ^a	1 ^h 84 × 1 ^m 01	14.9	8.92
NGC 2798	VLA/11B-32 ^b	2 ^h 07 × 1 ^m 74	18.1	5.63
NGC 2841	VLA/11B-32 ^b	2 ^h 08 × 1 ^m 89	10.1	2.85
NGC 2976	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2 ^h 40 × 1 ^m 68	19.7	5.46
NGC 3049	VLA/11B-32 ^b , VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 50 × 2 ^m 02	17.9	3.95
NGC 3077	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2 ^h 45 × 1 ^m 66	29.3	8.05
NGC 3190	VLA/11B-32 ^b , VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 13 × 1 ^m 85	13.7	3.86
NGC 3184	VLA/11B-32 ^b , VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 51 × 1 ^m 93	13.1	3.02
NGC 3198	VLA/11B-32 ^b	2 ^h 06 × 1 ^m 98	18.7	5.11
IC 2574	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2 ^h 17 × 1 ^m 64	15.7	4.92
NGC 3265	VLA/11B-32 ^b , VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 15 × 1 ^m 94	12.9	3.44
NGC 3351	VLA/11B-32 ^b , VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 27 × 2 ^m 04	17.6	4.24
NGC 3521	VLA/11B-32 ^b	4 ^h 20 × 1 ^m 98	27.3	3.66
NGC 3621	VLA/11B-32 ^b	4 ^h 32 × 1 ^m 58	30.3	4.96
NGC 3627	VLA/11B-32 ^b , VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 83 × 1 ^m 83	23.7	5.10
NGC 3773	VLA/11B-32 ^b , VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 99 × 2 ^m 50	20.3	3.03
NGC 3938	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2 ^h 25 × 1 ^m 83	16.5	4.47
NGC 4254	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 34 × 1 ^m 90	15.4	3.87
NGC 4321	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 41 × 1 ^m 77	18.4	4.83
NGC 4536	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 36 × 2 ^m 16	17.4	3.79
NGC 4559	VLA/13A-129	3 ^h 02 × 1 ^m 94	11.1	2.11
NGC 4569	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 41 × 1 ^m 76	21.7	5.70
NGC 4579	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 48 × 1 ^m 78	34.2	8.65
NGC 4594	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 98 × 2 ^m 12	20.2	3.57
NGC 4625	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 96 × 2 ^m 09	9.2	1.66
NGC 4631	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 33 × 1 ^m 97	15.7	3.82
NGC 4725	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 89 × 1 ^m 97	10.7	2.09
NGC 4736	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 98 × 2 ^m 09	20.5	3.68
NGC 4826	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 16 × 1 ^m 98	14.0	3.64
NGC 5055	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 76 × 2 ^m 12	16.9	3.23
NGC 5194	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 27 × 1 ^m 80	13.6	3.72
NGC 5398	VLA/13A-129	5 ^h 42 × 1 ^m 79	18.1	2.08
NGC 5457	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 36 × 1 ^m 76	14.1	3.79
NGC 5474	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 18 × 1 ^m 84	9.4	2.61
NGC 5713	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 39 × 2 ^m 14	14.5	3.17
NGC 5866	VLA/13A-129	2 ^h 28 × 1 ^m 79	16.2	4.43
NGC 6946	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2 ^h 12 × 1 ^m 70	31.5	9.72
NGC 7331	VLA/11B-32 ^b	3 ^h 02 × 1 ^m 88	35.8	7.04
NGC 7793	VLA/11B-32 ^b	4 ^h 48 × 1 ^m 69	23.6	3.48

Notes. VLA11B-32 observations were conducted between October 2011 and January 2012. VLA/13A-129 observations were conducted between February and March 2013.

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^b Observations suffered from the “1 s” WIDAR correlator malfunction, leading to only $\frac{1}{3}$ of the integration time being recorded.

9. Generate the final long (full scan) integration phase gain calibrations for all calibrators, applying the delay, bandpass, flux scale, and prior tables on-the-fly.

10. Apply the long integration phase, bandpass, delay, flux scale, and prior tables to all science targets.

For all delay and bandpass tables applied on-the-fly, we used the default nearest-neighbor interpolation. For phase and flux scale tables, we used a linear interpolation.

For all 87 nuclear and extranuclear regions that were calibrated by hand using CASA versions 4.2.1 or earlier, the 2010 Perley & Butler flux density scale was applied as the default. This is different from the flux density scale used in the pipeline-calibrated data run with CASA version 4.4.0 or later (i.e., Perley & Butler 2013). To place everything on the same flux density scale, we corrected the amplitude of the final images for all 87 regions by multiplying them by the ratio of the Perley & Butler 2013 to 2010 flux density scalings. The average correction factor was near unity at 0.98, with an rms scatter of 0.01.

2.3. Interferometric Imaging

Calibrated VLA measurement sets for each source were imaged using the task TCLEAN in CASA version 4.6.0. For some cases (see Tables 3 and 4), the Ka-band images contain data from observations taken during both the 11B and 13A semesters, but are heavily weighted by the 13A semester observations, as those include significantly more data. The mode of TCLEAN was set to multi-frequency synthesis (MFS; Conway et al. 1990; Sault & Wieringa 1994). We chose to use *Briggs* weighting with ROBUST = 0.5, and set the variable NTERMS = 2, which allows the cleaning procedure to also model the spectral index variations on the sky. To help deconvolve extended low-intensity emission, we took advantage of the multiscale clean option (Cornwell 2008; Rau & Cornwell 2011) in CASA, searching for structures with scales ≈ 1 and 3 times the FWHM of the synthesized beam. The choice of our final imaging parameters was the result of extensive experimentation to identify values that yielded the best combination of brightness-temperature sensitivity and reduction of artifacts resulting from strong sidelobes in the naturally weighted beam for these snapshot-like observations.

The images were placed on a 512×512 pixel grid with a pixel scale of $0''.3$. However, for two sources (NGC 0628 ENUC. 4 and NGC 0855), the pixel scale was reduced to $0''.15$ to ensure that the FWHM of the synthesized beam minor axis remained Nyquist-sampled.

For two sources in the sample, NGC 4594 and NGC 4579, a signal-to-noise ratio (S/N) ≥ 3 was achieved across the majority of all channels and spectral windows. This allowed us to accurately perform phase-only, and subsequently amplitude+phase, self-calibration for these two sources. The peak brightness of the self-calibrated images differs from that of the originals by less than 5%; however, the new peak S/Ns of NGC 4594 and NGC 4579 are improved by factors of ≈ 2 and ≈ 3 , respectively (achieving peak S/Ns of ~ 2900 and ~ 1500 , respectively).

A primary beam correction was applied using the CASA task IMPBCOR before analyzing the images. The primary-beam-corrected continuum images at 33 GHz for each target are shown in Figure 1. The FWHMs of the synthesized beams are given in Tables 3 and 4 for all sources, along with the corresponding point-source and brightness-temperature rms values for each of the final images. Given the range of distances to the sample galaxies, this ensured that the linear scale investigated was always $\lesssim 300$ pc

Table 4
Extranuclear Source Imaging Characteristics

Galaxy	Program ID	Synthesized Beam	σ ($\mu\text{Jy bm}^{-1}$)	σ_{TB} (mK)
NGC 0628 Enum. 1	VLA/11B-32 ^b	2''08 × 1''92	25.7	7.20
NGC 0628 Enum. 2	VLA/11B-32 ^b	2''04 × 1''88	19.7	5.73
NGC 0628 Enum. 3	VLA/11B-32 ^b	2''05 × 1''80	26.6	8.04
NGC 0628 Enum. 4	VLA/11B-32 ^a	1''75 × 0''94	10.8	7.32
NGC 1097 Enum. 1	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''00 × 1''71	13.7	4.47
NGC 1097 Enum. 2	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''11 × 1''67	14.1	4.48
NGC 2403 Enum. 1	VLA/13A-129	2''60 × 1''80	14.1	3.36
NGC 2403 Enum. 2	VLA/13A-129	2''54 × 1''80	13.8	3.38
NGC 2403 Enum. 3	VLA/13A-129	2''52 × 1''79	18.1	4.47
NGC 2403 Enum. 4	VLA/13A-129	2''44 × 1''81	10.0	2.53
NGC 2403 Enum. 5	VLA/13A-129	2''75 × 1''79	13.9	3.15
NGC 2403 Enum. 6	VLA/13A-129	2''71 × 1''83	9.8	2.21
NGC 2976 Enum. 1	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''39 × 1''66	19.6	5.53
NGC 2976 Enum. 2	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''38 × 1''71	21.7	5.93
NGC 3521 Enum. 1	VLA/11B-32 ^b	4''01 × 2''08	36.8	4.94
NGC 3521 Enum. 2	VLA/11B-32 ^b	4''74 × 1''93	34.3	4.18
NGC 3521 Enum. 3	VLA/11B-32 ^b	4''23 × 1''95	26.8	3.63
NGC 3627 Enum. 1	VLA/11B-32, ^b VLA/13A-129	2''45 × 2''03	19.6	4.40
NGC 3627 Enum. 2	VLA/11B-32, ^b VLA/13A-129	2''55 × 2''08	19.4	4.08
NGC 3627 Enum. 3	VLA/11B-32, ^b VLA/13A-129	2''43 × 1''93	14.3	3.41
NGC 3938 Enum. 1	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''34 × 1''83	19.4	5.04
NGC 3938 Enum. 2	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''22 × 1''78	21.0	5.93
NGC 4254 Enum. 1	VLA/13A-129	2''35 × 1''93	16.0	3.97
NGC 4254 Enum. 2	VLA/13A-129	2''40 × 1''96	10.8	2.56
NGC 4321 Enum. 1	VLA/13A-129	2''34 × 1''79	12.1	3.20
NGC 4321 Enum. 2	VLA/13A-129	2''33 × 1''82	12.3	3.24
NGC 4631 Enum. 1	VLA/13A-129	2''42 × 1''99	10.6	2.46
NGC 4631 Enum. 2	VLA/13A-129	2''23 × 1''98	11.1	2.79
NGC 4736 Enum. 1	VLA/13A-129	2''89 × 2''03	17.9	3.42
NGC 5055 Enum. 1	VLA/13A-129	2''81 × 2''05	15.3	2.97
NGC 5194 Enum. 1	VLA/13A-129	2''12 × 1''81	14.1	4.11
NGC 5194 Enum. 2	VLA/13A-129	2''32 × 1''80	13.2	3.54
NGC 5194 Enum. 3	VLA/13A-129	2''17 × 1''80	9.8	2.79
NGC 5194 Enum. 4	VLA/13A-129	2''10 × 1''84	10.2	2.96
NGC 5194 Enum. 5	VLA/13A-129	2''37 × 1''73	19.8	5.39
NGC 5194 Enum. 6	VLA/13A-129	2''39 × 1''82	9.4	2.42
NGC 5194 Enum. 7	VLA/13A-129	2''38 × 1''80	19.6	5.11
NGC 5194 Enum. 8	VLA/13A-129	2''38 × 1''80	18.5	4.83
NGC 5194 Enum. 9	VLA/13A-129	2''38 × 1''77	20.5	5.46
NGC 5194 Enum. 10	VLA/13A-129	2''07 × 1''84	15.4	4.52
NGC 5194 Enum. 11	VLA/13A-129	2''14 × 1''81	9.9	2.84
NGC 5457 Enum. 1	VLA/13A-129	2''26 × 1''80	8.9	2.44
NGC 5457 Enum. 2	VLA/13A-129	2''42 × 2''33	15.2	3.02
NGC 5457 Enum. 3	VLA/13A-129	2''37 × 2''26	21.9	4.57
NGC 5457 Enum. 4	VLA/13A-129	2''28 × 1''78	13.8	3.78
NGC 5457 Enum. 5	VLA/13A-129	2''43 × 2''33	14.8	2.92
NGC 5457 Enum. 6	VLA/13A-129	2''43 × 2''34	15.5	3.05
NGC 5457 Enum. 7	VLA/13A-129	2''21 × 1''80	13.5	3.78
NGC 5713 Enum. 1	VLA/13A-129	2''36 × 2''16	10.5	2.31
NGC 5713 Enum. 2	VLA/13A-129	2''44 × 2''15	14.3	3.03
NGC 6946 Enum. 1	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''08 × 1''78	16.2	4.87
NGC 6946 Enum. 2	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''13 × 1''87	17.3	4.85
NGC 6946 Enum. 3	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''11 × 1''86	10.5	3.01
NGC 6946 Enum. 4	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''17 × 1''82	10.7	3.01
NGC 6946 Enum. 5	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''08 × 1''86	10.8	3.12
NGC 6946 Enum. 6	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''08 × 1''74	16.3	5.05
NGC 6946 Enum. 7	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''08 × 1''78	16.1	4.86
NGC 6946 Enum. 8	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''14 × 1''70	16.7	5.09
NGC 6946 Enum. 9	VLA/11B-32 ^a	2''08 × 1''78	16.1	4.86
NGC 7793 Enum. 1	VLA/11B-32 ^b	4''25 × 1''64	29.8	4.78

Table 4
(Continued)

Galaxy	Program ID	Synthesized Beam	σ ($\mu\text{Jy bm}^{-1}$)	σ_{T_b} (mK)
NGC 7793 E nuc. 2	VLA/11B-32 ^b	4''46 \times 1''70	22.5	3.32
NGC 7793 E nuc. 3	VLA/11B-32 ^b	4''60 \times 1''58	37.0	5.67

Notes. VLA11B-32 observations were conducted between October 2011 and January 2012. VLA/13A-129 observations were conducted between February and March 2013.

^a Original observations suffered from the “1 s” WIDAR correlator malfunction, but the source was later reobserved for the nominal integration time.

^b Observations suffered from the “1 s” WIDAR correlator malfunction, leading to only $\frac{1}{3}$ of the integration time being recorded.

(i.e., the size of giant H II regions). We also note that the VLA images made with the chosen array configurations should be sensitive to extended emission on angular scales up to $\approx 24''$ for these snapshot observations.

We also created a suite of (u, v) -tapered images for all nuclear and extranuclear regions in order to assess the potential for missing large-scale emission. After tapering to $2''.5$, we find that we recover $\sim 3\%$ more flux density relative to the non-tapered images, suggesting that on the scales of the individual H II regions and nuclei, we are not missing a significant amount of the source flux density.

2.4. Ancillary Data

The H α imaging used in the analysis is taken from references cited in the compilation by Leroy et al. (2012), where details about the data quality and preparation (e.g., correction for [N II] emission) can be found. H α images were corrected for foreground stars. The typical resolution of the seeing-limited H α images is $\approx 1''$ – $2''$, and the calibration uncertainty among these maps is taken to be $\approx 20\%$.

Archival *Spitzer* 24 μm data shown in Figure 1 were largely taken from the SINGS and Local Volume Legacy (LVL) legacy programs, and have a calibration uncertainty of $\approx 5\%$. Details on the associated observation strategies and data reduction steps can be found in Dale et al. (2007, 2009, respectively). Two galaxies, IC 342 and NGC 2146, were not a part of SINGS or LVL; their 24 μm imaging comes from Engelbracht et al. (2008).

2.5. H α and 33 GHz Aperture Photometry

Before making photometric measurements, we aligned the H α images to the 33 GHz VLA images, which have sub-arcsecond astrometric accuracy. In most cases, the H α images had existing astrometric solutions matching multiple H α peaks with 33 GHz counterparts to better than half of the synthesized beam FWHM. We adopted the existing astrometry for these galaxies. For those remaining galaxies with multiple bright radio sources (e.g., NGC 0628), we aligned the H α images by eye, ensuring that the peaks of multiple bright features matched their radio counterparts within $1''$. While there may be physical offsets between 33 GHz and H α emission arising from high levels of extinction, we note that these offsets are unlikely to be systematic for multiple distinct peaks. In our alignment process, we did not encounter any cases for which the astrometry is significantly affected.¹¹ We adopt the

¹¹ The nucleus of NGC 4631 is a good example of a case where the H α and 33 GHz morphologies are clearly distinct. For this galaxy, we note that outside of the 33 GHz field-of-view, the H α and 24 μm images align to better than $1''$ and that within the 33 GHz field-of-view, multiple 24 μm and 33 GHz peaks align to $\approx 0''.5$. We suspect that the H α versus 33 GHz mismatches are caused by high extinction along the line-of-sight into this edge-on galaxy.

existing astrometry for galaxies with only one detected radio source (e.g., NGC 3198).

Due to the higher intrinsic brightness of the H α transition relative to free-free emission, our source detection is primarily limited by the 33 GHz noise and brightness-temperature sensitivity given in Tables 3 and 4. Because of this, we identified photometric regions by drawing rectangular and polygon apertures around strongly detected 33 GHz sources. Using PyBDSM¹² (Mohan & Rafferty 2015), we have verified that the native resolution 33 GHz selected sample is complete down to 5σ for sources with angular sizes comparable to the $\sim 2''$ synthesized beam. To minimize the relative contribution from large angular-scale H α emission that might fall under the 33 GHz brightness-temperature sensitivity threshold, these apertures are drawn tightly around the brightest parts of the 33 GHz sources. For 33 GHz non-detections, we simply drew a large aperture encompassing H α (or 24 μm , see Section 2.6) structures near the phase center. The regions, listed in Table 5, are named according to the nearest 33 GHz image, with an alphabetical suffix if there are multiple regions corresponding to one image. For example, “NGC 2403 E nuc. 2. B” is 1 of 3 regions in the image of extranuclear region 2 in NGC 2403. It is also visible in the image of NGC 2403’s nucleus, which has only one (non-detection) region: “NGC 2403” (see Figure 1).

Using the CASA task IMSTAT, we measured and report the H α line flux and 33 GHz flux density for each region in Table 5 detected with an S/N > 3 . For sources that are not detected at this significance we provide a corresponding 3σ upper limit. The uncertainty in the 33 GHz flux density is taken to be the standard VLA calibration uncertainty ($\sim 3\%$; Perley & Butler 2013) added in quadrature with the empirically measured noise from empty regions in each image given in Tables 3 and 4. As stated in Section 2.4, the calibration uncertainty of the H α narrowband imaging is $\approx 20\%$, which dominates the uncertainty of the H α photometry. Also provided in Table 5 is a measure of the galactocentric radius (r_G) in units of kpc for each position. These values are calculated using the assumed galaxy inclinations, position angles, and distances listed in Table 1.

2.6. Inclusion of 24 μm Data with Aperture Photometry

To accurately match the photometry obtained with the 33 GHz and H α images to that measured using the *Spitzer* 24 μm data, which is at much lower resolution ($\approx 7''$), we first resolution-matched the images. Both the 33 GHz and H α images were convolved with a Gaussian kernel resulting in a final FWHM of $7''$. Following the image registration method

¹² <http://www.astron.nl/citt/pybdsm/>

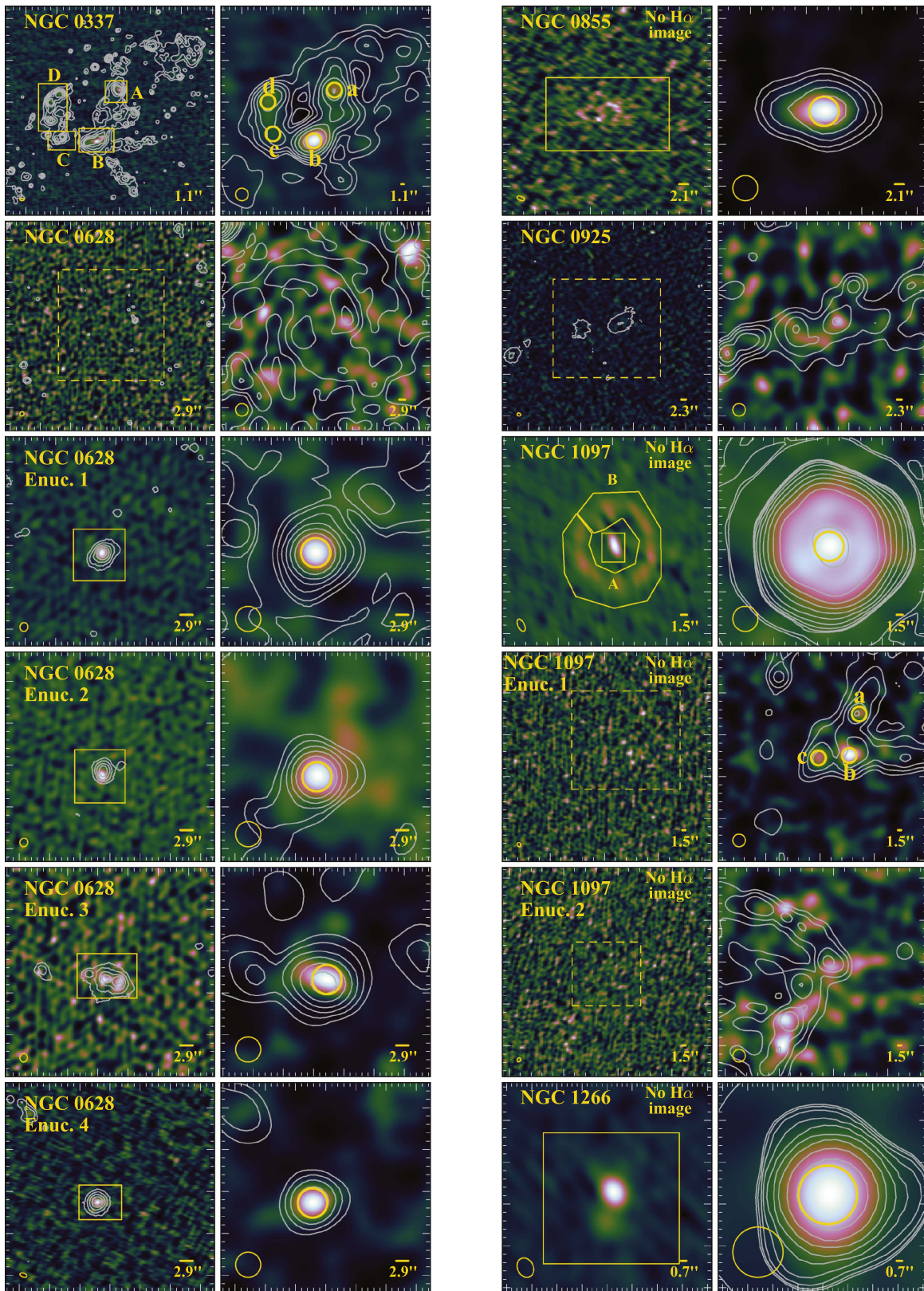


Figure 1. Image cutouts of each target are shown. The color scale (Green 2011) is set to one of 3 power-law stretches: $[(p - p_{\min}) / (p_{\max} - p_{\min})]^a$, where p is the pixel value and $a = 0.5, 1.0,$ and 2.0 . A square-root stretch of $a = 0.5$ was used when the brightest pixel in the image had an $S/N > 20$. A linear stretch was used when the brightest pixel lied between $10 < S/N < 20$, and the square stretch was used when the brightest pixel had an $S/N < 10$. Left: the 33 GHz image at its native (i.e., $\approx 2''$) resolution overlaid with $H\alpha$ contours. The $H\alpha$ contours are set at the following values: $[-5\sigma, 20\sigma, 40\sigma, 80\sigma, 160\sigma, 320\sigma]$, where σ is the local rms noise. Right: the 33 GHz image convolved to match the resolution of the $24 \mu\text{m}$ data, for which contours are overlaid. Depending on the angular size of each source, the cutout regions are either $50'' \times 50''$, $25'' \times 25''$, or $12.5'' \times 12.5''$. In all panels, the FWHM of the 33 GHz beam is shown in the bottom left corner. A linear scale-bar of 100 pc is also given in the bottom right corner of each panel. To distinguish between individual sources identified in the full-resolution and smoothed maps, we use uppercase and lowercase letters as part of their names for reporting photometry in Tables 5 and 6, respectively. (An extended version of this figure is available.)

Table 5
Source Photometry

Source ID	R.A. (J2000)	Decl. (J2000)	$S_{33 \text{ GHz}}$ (mJy)	$f_{\text{H}\alpha}/10^{-13}$ ($\text{erg s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2}$)	r_G (kpc)
NGC 0337 A	00 59 50.00	-07 34 34.7	0.57 ± 0.02	3.40 ± 0.68	0.823
NGC 0337 B	00 59 50.74	-07 34 58.7	1.79 ± 0.06	6.18 ± 1.24	2.100
NGC 0337 C	00 59 51.77	-07 34 57.2	0.15 ± 0.01	1.29 ± 0.26	2.946
NGC 0337 D	00 59 51.87	-07 34 36.2	1.01 ± 0.03	5.12 ± 1.02	3.699
NGC 0628 Enuc. 4	01 36 35.71	+15 50 07.2	0.26 ± 0.01	1.15 ± 0.23	7.611
NGC 0628 Enuc. 2	01 36 37.65	+15 45 07.2	0.48 ± 0.02	1.04 ± 0.21	4.468
NGC 0628 Enuc. 3	01 36 38.92	+15 44 22.9	0.59 ± 0.03	2.14 ± 0.43	5.715
NGC 0628	01 36 43.26	+15 46 38.6	0.24 ± 0.02	3.26 ± 0.65	1.210
NGC 0628 Enuc. 1	01 36 45.24	+15 47 48.0	0.64 ± 0.03	1.74 ± 0.35	2.463
NGC 0855	02 14 03.55	+27 52 38.9	0.87 ± 0.03	...	0.036
NGC 0925	02 27 17.67	+33 34 28.0	0.24 ± 0.01	8.59 ± 1.72	1.314
NGC 1097 Enuc. 2	02 46 14.28	-30 14 56.7	0.52 ± 0.02	...	7.990
NGC 1097 B	02 46 18.31	-30 16 31.9	17.51 ± 0.53	...	0.885
NGC 1097 A	02 46 18.98	-30 16 29.2	3.77 ± 0.12	...	0.030
NGC 1097 Enuc. 1	02 46 21.19	-30 17 27.1	0.69 ± 0.02	...	4.883
NGC 1266	03 16 00.76	-02 25 38.6	10.33 ± 0.31	...	0.168
NGC 1377	03 36 39.11	-20 53 43.8	0.58 ± 0.03	...	5.952
IC 0342 A	03 46 47.80	+68 05 46.0	18.05 ± 0.54	...	0.066
IC 0342 B	03 46 48.61	+68 05 43.6	1.97 ± 0.07	...	0.039
IC 0342 C	03 46 49.04	+68 05 46.0	3.87 ± 0.12	...	0.050
IC 0342 D	03 46 49.20	+68 05 49.9	2.36 ± 0.08	...	0.093
NGC 1482	03 54 39.07	-20 30 08.5	21.28 ± 0.64	...	0.272
NGC 2146 A	06 18 33.93	+78 21 34.3	6.97 ± 0.21	...	2.122
NGC 2146 B	06 18 35.22	+78 21 30.7	11.51 ± 0.35	...	1.348
NGC 2146 C	06 18 36.61	+78 21 27.4	9.41 ± 0.28	...	0.581
NGC 2146 D	06 18 37.50	+78 21 24.1	24.61 ± 0.74	...	0.105
NGC 2146 E	06 18 38.79	+78 21 22.3	5.54 ± 0.17	...	0.615
NGC 2146 F	06 18 38.99	+78 21 19.9	5.47 ± 0.17	...	0.955
NGC 2146 G	06 18 39.38	+78 21 18.1	7.48 ± 0.23	...	1.278
NGC 2403 Enuc. 5 A	07 36 19.69	+65 37 04.9	0.98 ± 0.03	4.39 ± 0.88	3.484
NGC 2403 Enuc. 5 B	07 36 20.32	+65 37 07.3	0.84 ± 0.03	3.67 ± 0.73	3.396
NGC 2403 Enuc. 6	07 36 28.69	+65 33 48.2	0.85 ± 0.03	3.84 ± 0.77	5.406
NGC 2403 Enuc. 1 A	07 36 42.01	+65 36 51.6	0.25 ± 0.02	0.54 ± 0.11	1.085
NGC 2403 Enuc. 1 B	07 36 45.60	+65 37 01.8	1.48 ± 0.05	8.48 ± 1.70	1.214
NGC 2403	07 36 46.95	+65 35 43.3	0.35 ± 0.01	9.31 ± 1.86	0.802
NGC 2403 Enuc. 2 A	07 36 49.16	+65 36 52.0	0.51 ± 0.02	2.30 ± 0.46	1.123
NGC 2403 Enuc. 2 B	07 36 52.12	+65 36 48.4	0.65 ± 0.02	2.91 ± 0.58	1.263
NGC 2403 Enuc. 2 C	07 36 52.65	+65 36 46.9	0.54 ± 0.02	2.56 ± 0.51	1.276
NGC 2403 Enuc. 3 A	07 37 05.21	+65 36 41.7	0.63 ± 0.03	2.16 ± 0.43	2.637
NGC 2403 Enuc. 3 B	07 37 06.85	+65 36 38.7	3.56 ± 0.11	12.79 ± 2.56	2.793
NGC 2403 Enuc. 3 C	07 37 07.92	+65 36 38.1	2.03 ± 0.06	5.34 ± 1.07	2.920
NGC 2403 Enuc. 4	07 37 18.14	+65 33 46.9	0.99 ± 0.03	3.26 ± 0.65	3.463
Holmberg II	08 19 13.12	+70 43 08.6	0.78 ± 0.03	5.44 ± 1.09	0.742
NGC 2798	09 17 22.83	+42 00 01.3	4.60 ± 0.14	10.83 ± 2.17	0.221
NGC 2841	09 22 02.67	+50 58 35.7	1.11 ± 0.03	0.51 ± 0.10	0.155
NGC 2976 Enuc. 1 A	09 47 05.14	+67 55 51.4	0.75 ± 0.03	1.08 ± 0.16	1.425
NGC 2976 Enuc. 1 B	09 47 07.53	+67 55 54.4	1.58 ± 0.05	5.40 ± 0.81	1.205
NGC 2976 Enuc. 1 C	09 47 07.85	+67 55 48.4	0.26 ± 0.02	0.86 ± 0.13	1.114
NGC 2976 Enuc. 1 D	09 47 08.28	+67 55 53.2	0.42 ± 0.02	2.54 ± 0.38	1.141
NGC 2976	09 47 13.54	+67 54 55.8	0.23 ± 0.02	5.07 ± 0.76	0.412
NGC 2976 Enuc. 2 A	09 47 23.04	+67 54 05.4	0.15 ± 0.02	0.93 ± 0.14	1.205
NGC 2976 Enuc. 2 B	09 47 23.52	+67 53 55.5	0.50 ± 0.03	1.59 ± 0.24	1.368
NGC 2976 Enuc. 2 C	09 47 23.89	+67 54 03.9	0.09 ± 0.02	0.24 ± 0.04	1.287
NGC 2976 Enuc. 2 E	09 47 24.37	+67 54 03.3	0.14 ± 0.02	0.57 ± 0.09	1.335
NGC 2976 Enuc. 2 D	09 47 24.37	+67 53 54.9	0.58 ± 0.03	2.92 ± 0.44	1.426
NGC 3049	09 54 49.56	+09 16 16.1	1.18 ± 0.04	3.44 ± 0.69	0.103
NGC 3077 A	10 03 18.82	+68 43 57.8	4.44 ± 0.14	7.85 ± 0.79	0.086
NGC 3077 B	10 03 19.82	+68 44 03.5	1.41 ± 0.05	5.96 ± 0.60	0.080
NGC 3190	10 18 05.64	+21 49 55.9	0.61 ± 0.02	0.38 ± 0.08	0.098
NGC 3184	10 18 16.89	+41 25 27.3	0.31 ± 0.02	0.60 ± 0.12	0.043
NGC 3198	10 19 55.01	+45 32 59.3	0.25 ± 0.02	0.25 ± 0.05	0.161
IC 2574 A	10 28 43.77	+68 28 27.8	0.67 ± 0.03	0.18 ± 0.04	6.301
IC 2574 B	10 28 48.40	+68 28 03.5	0.54 ± 0.02	4.23 ± 0.85	5.254

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NGC 3265	10 31 06.77	+28 47 48.0	1.15 ± 0.04	...	0.087
NGC 3351 A	10 43 57.64	+11 42 17.9	0.50 ± 0.02	2.26 ± 0.45	0.247
NGC 3351 B	10 43 57.66	+11 42 06.8	2.03 ± 0.06	6.20 ± 1.24	0.285
NGC 3351 C	10 43 57.76	+11 42 19.4	1.20 ± 0.04	2.13 ± 0.43	0.294
NGC 3351 D	10 43 58.05	+11 42 16.7	0.62 ± 0.03	1.99 ± 0.40	0.351
NGC 3521 Enuc. 1	11 05 46.86	-00 04 26.3	1.05 ± 0.05	1.50 ± 0.30	10.282
NGC 3521 Enuc. 3	11 05 48.60	+00 00 23.5	<0.08	1.35 ± 0.27	9.547
NGC 3521 Enuc. 2	11 05 49.38	-00 03 25.2	<0.11	4.17 ± 0.83	4.350
NGC 3521	11 05 49.76	-00 01 55.2	<0.10	9.48 ± 1.90	2.512
NGC 3621	11 18 16.88	-32 49 01.2	0.32 ± 0.03	...	0.671
NGC 3627	11 20 15.02	+12 59 29.7	2.17 ± 0.07	2.03 ± 0.41	0.032
NGC 3627 Enuc. 1 A	11 20 16.28	+12 57 49.2	1.47 ± 0.05	0.30 ± 0.06	4.699
NGC 3627 Enuc. 2	11 20 16.38	+12 58 43.7	6.05 ± 0.18	5.64 ± 1.13	2.661
NGC 3627 Enuc. 1 B	11 20 16.47	+12 57 49.8	0.42 ± 0.02	0.84 ± 0.17	4.736
NGC 3773	11 38 13.10	+12 06 44.7	0.93 ± 0.03	...	0.118
NGC 3938 Enuc. 1	11 52 44.51	+44 07 18.7	0.57 ± 0.03	2.77 ± 0.55	4.978
NGC 3938	11 52 48.83	+44 07 17.6	0.06 ± 0.02	2.47 ± 0.49	0.637
NGC 3938 Enuc. 2 A	11 52 59.94	+44 08 00.0	0.22 ± 0.02	0.63 ± 0.13	11.053
NGC 3938 Enuc. 2 B	11 53 00.22	+44 07 48.3	0.26 ± 0.02	0.73 ± 0.15	11.077
NGC 4254 Enuc. 2 A	12 18 45.22	+14 24 37.4	<0.03	0.89 ± 0.18	5.111
NGC 4254 Enuc. 2 B	12 18 46.15	+14 24 19.1	0.60 ± 0.02	1.98 ± 0.40	4.667
NGC 4254 Enuc. 1 A	12 18 49.20	+14 23 57.6	0.29 ± 0.02	0.70 ± 0.14	4.449
NGC 4254 Enuc. 1 B	12 18 50.07	+14 24 06.0	0.34 ± 0.02	1.11 ± 0.22	3.966
NGC 4254	12 18 50.16	+14 25 12.2	0.34 ± 0.02	6.05 ± 1.21	1.031
NGC 4254 Enuc. 1 C	12 18 50.19	+14 24 18.0	0.44 ± 0.02	1.44 ± 0.29	3.158
NGC 4321 Enuc. 2	12 22 49.92	+15 50 28.4	0.18 ± 0.01	1.16 ± 0.23	7.991
NGC 4321 A	12 22 54.63	+15 49 13.8	1.46 ± 0.05	2.75 ± 0.55	0.568
NGC 4321 B	12 22 54.94	+15 49 20.1	0.49 ± 0.02	0.82 ± 0.16	0.086
NGC 4321 C	12 22 55.32	+15 49 15.9	0.62 ± 0.03	0.75 ± 0.15	0.641
NGC 4321 D	12 22 55.34	+15 49 23.4	0.23 ± 0.02	0.11 ± 0.02	0.503
NGC 4321 E	12 22 55.38	+15 49 20.7	0.31 ± 0.02	0.28 ± 0.06	0.547
NGC 4321 Enuc. 1	12 22 58.53	+15 49 18.5	0.21 ± 0.01	1.96 ± 0.39	4.155
NGC 4536 A	12 34 26.92	+02 11 19.7	9.28 ± 0.28	4.41 ± 0.88	0.273
NGC 4536 B	12 34 27.30	+02 11 15.8	7.33 ± 0.22	2.38 ± 0.48	0.277
NGC 4559 A	12 35 56.18	+27 57 40.5	0.24 ± 0.01	3.22 ± 0.64	1.395
NGC 4559 B	12 35 56.39	+27 57 19.5	0.12 ± 0.01	2.99 ± 0.60	2.028
NGC 4559 C	12 35 58.45	+27 57 27.9	0.33 ± 0.01	3.60 ± 0.72	0.563
NGC 4569	12 36 49.80	+13 09 46.6	1.60 ± 0.05	9.57 ± 1.91	0.037
NGC 4579	12 37 43.52	+11 49 05.6	61.29 ± 1.84	4.56 ± 0.91	0.105
NGC 4594	12 39 59.42	-11 37 23.0	73.71 ± 2.21	1.85 ± 0.37	0.052
NGC 4631 Enuc. 1	12 41 40.73	+32 31 49.1	0.78 ± 0.03	6.78 ± 1.36	13.672
NGC 4625	12 41 50.72	+41 16 20.4	0.18 ± 0.01	3.32 ± 0.50	1.078
NGC 4631 A	12 42 03.34	+32 32 17.5	0.47 ± 0.02	0.17 ± 0.03	3.135
NGC 4631 B	12 42 03.58	+32 32 16.3	1.02 ± 0.03	0.29 ± 0.06	3.384
NGC 4631 C	12 42 04.14	+32 32 19.0	0.62 ± 0.02	0.49 ± 0.10	2.701
NGC 4631 D	12 42 04.19	+32 32 14.5	0.27 ± 0.02	0.26 ± 0.05	3.823
NGC 4631 E	12 42 04.26	+32 32 25.3	3.68 ± 0.11	1.06 ± 0.21	1.755
NGC 4631 F	12 42 05.05	+32 32 14.5	0.13 ± 0.02	0.09 ± 0.02	3.863
NGC 4631 G	12 42 05.07	+32 32 10.3	0.50 ± 0.02	0.81 ± 0.16	5.072
NGC 4631 H	12 42 05.59	+32 32 30.1	1.31 ± 0.04	1.16 ± 0.23	1.485
NGC 4631 I	12 42 06.23	+32 32 31.6	0.98 ± 0.03	0.65 ± 0.13	1.501
NGC 4631 K	12 42 07.18	+32 32 34.3	0.85 ± 0.03	0.43 ± 0.09	1.858
NGC 4631 J	12 42 07.25	+32 32 29.5	0.47 ± 0.02	0.18 ± 0.04	0.494
NGC 4631L	12 42 07.68	+32 32 29.8	0.60 ± 0.02	0.26 ± 0.05	0.359
NGC 4631 M	12 42 07.84	+32 32 34.9	2.09 ± 0.06	0.45 ± 0.09	1.826
NGC 4631N	12 42 08.18	+32 32 36.1	1.34 ± 0.04	0.30 ± 0.06	2.102
NGC 4631 Enuc. 2 A	12 42 21.44	+32 33 06.6	0.43 ± 0.02	1.80 ± 0.36	10.046
NGC 4631 Enuc. 2 B	12 42 21.92	+32 32 44.4	1.42 ± 0.04	6.93 ± 1.39	6.592
NGC 4725 A	12 50 26.56	+25 30 02.7	0.29 ± 0.01	<0.02	0.043
NGC 4725 B	12 50 28.48	+25 30 22.5	0.36 ± 0.02	0.04 ± 0.01	1.935
NGC 4736	12 50 53.03	+41 07 13.1	2.24 ± 0.07	2.72 ± 0.54	0.019
NGC 4736 Enuc. 1 A	12 50 56.33	+41 07 14.0	0.63 ± 0.03	1.61 ± 0.32	0.842
NGC 4736 Enuc. 1 B	12 50 56.65	+41 07 04.7	1.04 ± 0.04	2.12 ± 0.42	0.926

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NGC 4736 Enuc. 1 C	12 50 56.86	+41 06 47.3	0.61 ± 0.03	1.51 ± 0.30	1.144
NGC 4826 A	12 56 43.10	+21 40 54.6	0.15 ± 0.01	0.57 ± 0.06	0.438
NGC 4826 B	12 56 43.41	+21 41 00.9	0.74 ± 0.03	2.10 ± 0.21	0.114
NGC 4826 D	12 56 43.62	+21 40 59.1	0.92 ± 0.03	4.96 ± 0.50	0.066
NGC 4826 C	12 56 43.64	+21 41 03.6	0.63 ± 0.02	1.03 ± 0.10	0.156
NGC 4826 E	12 56 43.86	+21 40 57.3	0.34 ± 0.02	1.08 ± 0.11	0.110
NGC 4826 F	12 56 44.29	+21 40 55.5	0.34 ± 0.02	0.69 ± 0.07	0.240
NGC 5055	13 15 49.36	+42 01 40.3	0.64 ± 0.03	4.90 ± 0.83	0.309
NGC 5055 Enuc. 1 A	13 15 58.24	+42 00 25.9	0.24 ± 0.02	1.05 ± 0.18	5.686
NGC 5055 Enuc. 1 B	13 15 58.40	+42 00 29.5	0.20 ± 0.02	0.88 ± 0.15	5.549
NGC 5194 Enuc. 6 A	13 29 39.35	+47 08 40.7	0.45 ± 0.02	1.06 ± 0.21	12.306
NGC 5194 Enuc. 6 B	13 29 39.35	+47 08 36.2	0.19 ± 0.01	0.40 ± 0.08	12.445
NGC 5194 Enuc. 3 A	13 29 43.69	+47 10 00.7	0.14 ± 0.01	0.41 ± 0.08	7.689
NGC 5194 Enuc. 2 A	13 29 44.07	+47 10 22.8	1.11 ± 0.04	5.10 ± 1.02	6.866
NGC 5194 Enuc. 3 B	13 29 44.54	+47 09 59.2	0.17 ± 0.01	1.10 ± 0.22	7.291
NGC 5194 Enuc. 3 C	13 29 45.16	+47 09 56.8	0.45 ± 0.02	0.95 ± 0.19	7.052
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 A	13 29 47.05	+47 13 40.7	0.23 ± 0.01	1.12 ± 0.22	4.946
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 B	13 29 47.55	+47 13 25.1	0.21 ± 0.01	0.36 ± 0.07	4.357
NGC 5194 Enuc. 1 A	13 29 49.42	+47 12 40.6	0.99 ± 0.03	1.53 ± 0.31	2.570
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 D	13 29 49.55	+47 13 27.8	0.16 ± 0.01	0.28 ± 0.06	4.049
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 C	13 29 49.55	+47 13 59.9	0.12 ± 0.01	0.03 ± 0.01	5.215
NGC 5194 A	13 29 49.93	+47 11 31.0	0.30 ± 0.02	0.54 ± 0.11	1.875
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 E	13 29 50.47	+47 13 44.9	0.16 ± 0.01	0.39 ± 0.08	4.631
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 F	13 29 50.94	+47 13 43.7	0.11 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.02	4.595
NGC 5194 B	13 29 51.55	+47 12 08.2	0.34 ± 0.02	0.98 ± 0.20	1.043
NGC 5194 Enuc. 1 B	13 29 52.04	+47 12 43.3	0.63 ± 0.02	2.83 ± 0.57	2.308
NGC 5194 C	13 29 52.58	+47 11 53.5	1.72 ± 0.05	3.97 ± 0.79	0.402
NGC 5194 D	13 29 52.70	+47 11 42.7	0.57 ± 0.02	1.66 ± 0.33	0.012
NGC 5194 E	13 29 52.76	+47 11 39.1	0.56 ± 0.02	1.31 ± 0.26	0.148
NGC 5194 Enuc. 1 C	13 29 53.19	+47 12 39.7	0.30 ± 0.02	1.73 ± 0.35	2.348
NGC 5194 Enuc. 4	13 29 55.49	+47 14 01.9	0.51 ± 0.02	0.13 ± 0.03	6.205
NGC 5194 F	13 29 55.82	+47 11 44.8	0.96 ± 0.03	1.95 ± 0.39	1.920
NGC 5194 Enuc. 10	13 29 56.52	+47 10 46.0	0.85 ± 0.03	2.65 ± 0.53	2.743
NGC 5194 Enuc. 5	13 29 59.63	+47 13 59.8	0.51 ± 0.02	0.10 ± 0.02	7.755
NGC 5194 Enuc. 9	13 29 59.84	+47 11 12.6	0.49 ± 0.02	1.22 ± 0.24	4.166
NGC 5194 Enuc. 7 A	13 30 00.91	+47 09 29.5	0.31 ± 0.02	1.03 ± 0.21	6.159
NGC 5194 Enuc. 8	13 30 01.51	+47 12 51.4	0.66 ± 0.03	1.45 ± 0.29	6.659
NGC 5194 Enuc. 7 B	13 30 02.38	+47 09 49.0	0.41 ± 0.02	2.39 ± 0.48	6.323
NGC 5194 Enuc. 7 C	13 30 02.77	+47 09 57.1	0.16 ± 0.02	1.16 ± 0.23	6.364
NGC 5194 Enuc. 7 D	13 30 03.47	+47 09 40.9	0.09 ± 0.02	0.78 ± 0.16	6.952
NGC 5398	14 01 20.13	-33 04 10.8	1.77 ± 0.06	...	1.406
NGC 5457 Enuc. 6 A	14 02 28.24	+54 16 26.3	1.32 ± 0.04	7.80 ± 1.56	15.713
NGC 5457 Enuc. 6 B	14 02 29.64	+54 16 15.5	1.08 ± 0.04	3.33 ± 0.67	15.547
NGC 5457 Enuc. 6 C	14 02 30.60	+54 16 09.8	0.58 ± 0.02	2.80 ± 0.56	15.414
NGC 5457 Enuc. 6 D	14 02 30.63	+54 16 01.1	0.30 ± 0.02	1.16 ± 0.23	15.567
NGC 5457 Enuc. 2	14 02 55.10	+54 22 27.8	0.46 ± 0.02	2.61 ± 0.52	6.428
NGC 5457 Enuc. 5	14 03 01.17	+54 14 29.3	2.13 ± 0.07	10.36 ± 2.07	13.102
NGC 5457 Enuc. 1 A	14 03 11.16	+54 21 00.8	0.13 ± 0.01	0.77 ± 0.15	0.473
NGC 5457	14 03 12.43	+54 20 54.6	0.38 ± 0.02	1.62 ± 0.32	0.092
NGC 5457 Enuc. 1 B	14 03 12.53	+54 20 58.1	0.42 ± 0.02	1.69 ± 0.34	0.044
NGC 5457 Enuc. 3 A	14 03 38.32	+54 18 49.9	0.15 ± 0.02	1.04 ± 0.21	9.334
NGC 5457 Enuc. 3 B	14 03 39.86	+54 18 56.8	0.75 ± 0.03	2.67 ± 0.53	9.645
NGC 5457 Enuc. 3 C	14 03 41.40	+54 19 04.3	7.11 ± 0.21	17.84 ± 3.57	9.964
NGC 5457 Enuc. 3 D	14 03 42.98	+54 19 24.7	0.47 ± 0.03	0.54 ± 0.11	10.133
NGC 5457 Enuc. 4 A	14 03 51.90	+54 21 52.5	0.13 ± 0.01	0.75 ± 0.15	12.107
NGC 5457 Enuc. 4 B	14 03 53.07	+54 21 56.1	0.16 ± 0.01	0.60 ± 0.12	12.471
NGC 5457 Enuc. 4 C	14 03 53.13	+54 22 06.6	0.55 ± 0.02	2.40 ± 0.48	12.520
NGC 5457 Enuc. 4 D	14 03 53.99	+54 22 11.4	0.43 ± 0.02	1.83 ± 0.37	12.797
NGC 5457 Enuc. 7 A	14 04 28.61	+54 23 52.7	0.83 ± 0.03	4.66 ± 0.93	23.671
NGC 5457 Enuc. 7 B	14 04 29.23	+54 23 53.0	0.77 ± 0.03	4.10 ± 0.82	23.857
NGC 5457 Enuc. 7 C	14 04 29.47	+54 23 47.3	2.28 ± 0.07	4.87 ± 0.97	23.901
NGC 5474	14 05 00.29	+53 39 56.3	0.03 ± 0.01	2.73 ± 0.55	0.540
NGC 5713 Enuc. 2 A	14 40 10.56	-00 17 47.6	0.12 ± 0.01	0.13 ± 0.03	3.251

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NGC 5713 A	14 40 10.74	-00 17 19.8	1.27 ± 0.04	0.49 ± 0.10	1.324
NGC 5713 E nuc. 2 B	14 40 10.74	-00 17 38.0	0.21 ± 0.02	0.43 ± 0.09	2.252
NGC 5713 E nuc. 2 C	14 40 10.88	-00 17 52.1	0.19 ± 0.02	0.36 ± 0.07	3.473
NGC 5713 E nuc. 2 D	14 40 10.94	-00 17 36.2	0.26 ± 0.02	0.43 ± 0.09	1.915
NGC 5713 B	14 40 11.06	-00 17 19.2	1.29 ± 0.04	0.93 ± 0.19	0.774
NGC 5713 C	14 40 11.40	-00 17 19.5	2.75 ± 0.08	1.53 ± 0.31	0.184
NGC 5713 E nuc. 1	14 40 12.08	-00 17 50.5	<0.03	0.43 ± 0.09	3.371
NGC 5866	15 06 29.50	+55 45 47.4	4.09 ± 0.12	...	0.102
NGC 6946 E nuc. 4 A	20 34 19.16	+60 10 03.9	0.69 ± 0.02	...	9.184
NGC 6946 E nuc. 4 B	20 34 19.88	+60 10 06.6	1.56 ± 0.05	...	9.033
NGC 6946 E nuc. 4 C	20 34 21.41	+60 10 18.0	0.69 ± 0.02	...	8.806
NGC 6946 E nuc. 4 D	20 34 22.70	+60 10 33.9	1.33 ± 0.04	...	8.743
NGC 6946 E nuc. 8	20 34 32.28	+60 10 19.0	1.51 ± 0.05	5.98 ± 1.20	6.116
NGC 6946 E nuc. 5	20 34 39.36	+60 04 53.3	0.48 ± 0.02	7.01 ± 1.40	9.673
NGC 6946 E nuc. 3 A	20 34 49.83	+60 12 40.4	0.24 ± 0.01	2.45 ± 0.49	7.734
NGC 6946 E nuc. 3 B	20 34 51.19	+60 12 42.2	0.20 ± 0.01	2.31 ± 0.46	7.722
NGC 6946 A	20 34 51.30	+60 09 38.6	1.39 ± 0.05	4.20 ± 0.84	0.983
NGC 6946 E nuc. 3 C	20 34 52.20	+60 12 43.7	0.47 ± 0.02	7.15 ± 1.43	7.730
NGC 6946 B	20 34 52.26	+60 09 14.3	14.17 ± 0.43	15.37 ± 3.07	0.016
NGC 6946 C	20 34 52.82	+60 09 30.2	0.52 ± 0.03	1.60 ± 0.32	0.591
NGC 6946 E nuc. 6 A	20 35 05.24	+60 10 56.4	0.13 ± 0.02	2.22 ± 0.44	4.666
NGC 6946 E nuc. 6 B	20 35 06.04	+60 11 00.0	0.51 ± 0.02	2.45 ± 0.49	4.886
NGC 6946 E nuc. 6 C	20 35 06.20	+60 10 56.4	0.35 ± 0.02	1.66 ± 0.33	4.823
NGC 6946 E nuc. 6 D	20 35 06.56	+60 10 59.1	0.11 ± 0.02	0.91 ± 0.18	4.949
NGC 6946 E nuc. 6 E	20 35 07.05	+60 10 45.3	0.20 ± 0.02	1.21 ± 0.24	4.717
NGC 6946 E nuc. 9	20 35 11.09	+60 08 57.5	1.48 ± 0.05	8.40 ± 1.68	5.071
NGC 6946 E nuc. 7 A	20 35 12.93	+60 08 50.2	0.81 ± 0.03	3.27 ± 0.65	5.630
NGC 6946 E nuc. 7 B	20 35 14.10	+60 08 51.7	0.13 ± 0.02	0.74 ± 0.15	5.916
NGC 6946 E nuc. 1	20 35 16.76	+60 11 00.3	0.81 ± 0.03	7.72 ± 1.54	6.985
NGC 6946 E nuc. 2 A	20 35 23.61	+60 09 48.9	0.36 ± 0.02	5.20 ± 1.04	8.131
NGC 6946 E nuc. 2 B	20 35 25.50	+60 09 58.8	1.96 ± 0.06	25.89 ± 5.18	8.626
NGC 7331	22 37 02.96	+34 25 06.5	0.15 ± 0.04	6.15 ± 1.23	2.930
NGC 7793 E nuc. 3	23 57 48.87	-32 34 52.8	<0.12	5.65 ± 1.13	0.992
NGC 7793 E nuc. 1	23 57 49.44	-32 37 12.4	0.30 ± 0.03	7.08 ± 1.42	2.953
NGC 7793	23 57 49.56	-32 35 25.2	<0.07	3.63 ± 0.73	0.093
NGC 7793 E nuc. 2	23 57 55.74	-32 35 22.3	<0.07	5.67 ± 1.13	1.468

(This table is available in machine-readable form.)

of Aniano et al. (2011), we convolved the 24 μm maps with a kernel that both subtracts out the complex 24 μm PSF and restores the image with a Gaussian PSF having an FWHM of 7".

Using the resolution-matched images, we measured the flux density within apertures having a 7" diameter. No attempt was made to apply an aperture correction to the convolved-map photometry, as we are only interested in using these data to compare relative values measured at these three bands. The majority of these 179 apertures were created by centering a 7" diameter circle around the peak pixel in each native resolution aperture and removing apertures that overlap significantly with others or are strongly contaminated by emission from nearby bright sources. Additionally, we have created 7" apertures for 17 "diffuse detections" where the 33 GHz emission is intrinsically faint and diffuse such that it falls below our compact source detection threshold on 2" scales, but constitutes a $>5\sigma$ detection on 7" scales.

The corresponding 33 GHz flux densities, H α line fluxes, and 24 μm flux densities for each region detected with an S/N > 3 are given in Table 6. Similar to the naming convention for the photometry carried out at the full resolution of the

33 GHz maps, sources are named according to the nearest 33 GHz image, with an alphabetical suffix if there are multiple regions corresponding to one image. However, we distinguish individual sources identified in the smoothed maps by instead using a lowercase letter. For example, "NGC 2403 E nuc. 2. b" is 1 of 2 regions in the image of extranuclear region 2 in NGC 2403, and is composed of the sum contribution of NGC 2403 E nuc. 2. B and NGC 2403 E nuc. 2. C in the full-resolution maps. For sources that are not detected at this significance we provide a corresponding 3σ upper limit. As done for sources listed in Table 5, we similarly provide a measure of the galactocentric radius in units of kiloparsecs for each position.

3. Results

3.1. Comparison with Single-dish

As a first test to see how much emission might be resolved out of these snapshot-like 33 GHz images, we perform a comparison between the emission recovered in the interferometric images with the photometry obtained with the GBT given in Murphy et al. (2012). To do this, we multiply the VLA

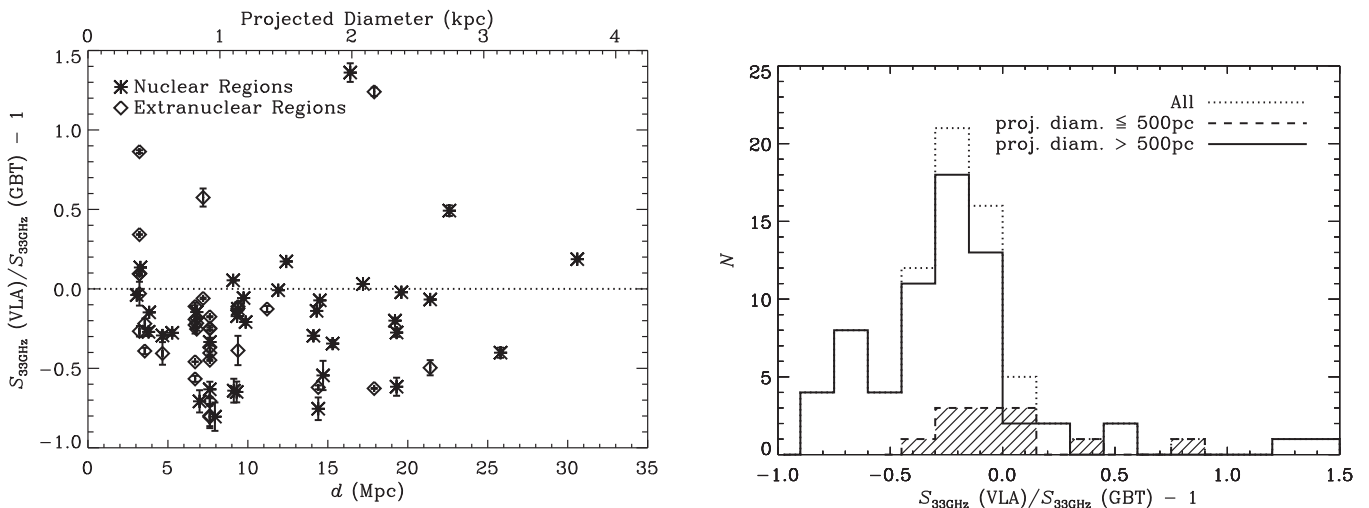


Figure 2. Left: the relative difference between the VLA and GBT measured 33 GHz flux densities plotted against distance for sources detected at the 5σ significance level in both data sets. The upper abscissa identifies the size of the projected diameter of the $25''$ GBT beam. For the VLA, flux densities were measured by multiplying the VLA image by an elliptical Gaussian to simulate the GBT observations (see Section 3.1). NGC 4579, which hosts an AGN, is the data point for which the 33 GHz VLA flux density is more than a factor of 2 larger than the corresponding 33 GHz GBT flux density. Right: histogram of the relative difference between the VLA and GBT 33 GHz flux densities for sources detected at the 5σ significance level in both data sets using bins of 0.15 (dotted line). Individual histograms of those sources for which the projected diameter of the $25''$ GBT beam is larger (solid line) or smaller (dashed line/hatch filled) than ≈ 500 pc are also shown. What is clearly evident is that the VLA flux densities are systematically lower than what was recovered by the GBT. The median 33 GHz VLA-to-GBT flux density ratio is 0.78 ± 0.04 , with median absolute deviation of 0.27. For the 12 sources in which the $25''$ GBT beam projects to a linear diameter of $\lesssim 500$ pc, the median 33 GHz VLA-to-GBT flux density ratio is 0.97 ± 0.10 , with a median absolute deviation of 0.28, suggesting that this difference between the GBT and VLA flux densities likely arises from diffuse non-thermal synchrotron emission associated with CR electrons as they propagate away from their birth sites in supernova remnants near H II regions.

image by an elliptical Gaussian of peak unity, having major/minor axes and position angles based on the interferometric synthesized beams such that the convolution of the two results in a circular Gaussian beam with a FWHM of $25''$, to match the typical beam size of the GBT at 33 GHz. Since we assume a perfect Gaussian and do not account for additional emission arising from sidelobes in the actual GBT beam, these simulated observations will in most cases only provide a lower limit compared to what was measured by the GBT. However, we assume that this is likely a small (few percent) effect given that the sidelobes from the GBT measurements, when measurable, had an amplitude that is 2% of the beam peak, on average (Murphy et al. 2012).

We compare these measured flux densities against what was measured by the GBT as a function of galaxy distance in the left panel of Figure 2 for sources detected at $>5\sigma$ in both data sets. In the right panel of Figure 2, we plot the histogram of these sources using bins of 0.15 and highlight sources for which the $25''$ GBT beam projects to a linear diameter of $\lesssim 500$ pc. What we find is that the VLA is typically missing $\approx 20\%$ of the total flux density recovered by the GBT. The median 33 GHz VLA-to-GBT flux density ratio is 0.78 ± 0.04 , with a median absolute deviation of 0.27. The most likely reason for this discrepancy between the VLA and GBT photometry is that the GBT beam is picking up diffuse emission extended on scales greater than the largest angular scale that these VLA 33 GHz data are sensitive to (i.e., $\gtrsim 24''$). However, we do not expect this to affect our aperture photometry results since we are only integrating on selected bright regions on the scale of a few arcseconds, where contributions from large-scale diffuse emission on scales $\gtrsim 24''$ should be negligible.

Furthermore, on such scales the bulk of the emission being resolved out by our 33 GHz interferometric observations is likely diffuse non-thermal synchrotron emission associated with CR electrons as they propagate away from their birth sites

in supernova remnants near H II regions. For example, for the 12 sources in which the $25''$ GBT beam projects to a linear diameter of $\lesssim 500$ pc, the median 33 GHz VLA-to-GBT flux density ratio is 0.97 ± 0.10 , with a median absolute deviation of 0.28. Thus, given that the average thermal fraction at 33 GHz reported by Murphy et al. (2012) was 76% for their entire sample (and $>90\%$ on average for sources resolved on scales $\lesssim 500$ pc), this suggests that on the ≈ 30 – 300 pc scales of these VLA observations, the 33 GHz thermal fractions are most likely $\gtrsim 90\%$. Consequently, the 80% thermal fraction of the GBT analysis is completely consistent with the measured 33 GHz VLA-to-GBT flux density ratio if all compact emission is powered by free-free radiation, while the non-thermal component is completely diffuse. We note that there is a minority of sources having values above unity, for which the VLA appears to be recovering more emission than the GBT. These occurrences most likely arise due to sources hosting a variable AGN (e.g., NGC 4579 for which the 33 GHz VLA flux density is more than a factor of 2 larger than the corresponding 33 GHz GBT flux density) or situations where the GBT reference beam used for sky subtraction by nodding 1.3 away from the source position landed on bright regions of the galaxies (e.g., NGC 3938 Euc. 1; see Murphy et al. 2012).

3.2. 33 GHz and $H\alpha$ Morphologies

At the $2''$ (≈ 30 – 300 pc) scales probed by our 33 GHz observations, we are primarily sensitive to compact emission from individual star-forming complexes and galaxy nuclei. As a visual demonstration of this, we compared the 33 GHz morphologies of our targets with their $H\alpha$ and $24\ \mu\text{m}$ morphologies. To investigate at the highest resolution, the $\approx 2''$ beam radio images and $\approx 1''$ – $2''$ seeing-limited $H\alpha$ images were compared at their native resolutions. To match the *Spitzer* PSF for the 33 GHz/ $24\ \mu\text{m}$ comparison, we smoothed the 33 GHz images to a $7''$ circular beam with the CASA task

Table 6
Source Photometry at 7'' Resolution

Source ID	R.A. (J2000)	Decl. (J2000)	S_{33} GHz (mJy)	$f_{\text{H}\alpha}/10^{-13}$ (erg s $^{-1}$ cm $^{-2}$)	f_{24} μ m (mJy)	r_G (kpc)
NGC 0337a	00 59 50.02	-07 34 33.9	0.23 \pm 0.01	1.50 \pm 0.30	48.04 \pm 2.40	0.945
NGC 0337b	00 59 50.68	-07 34 57.6	0.62 \pm 0.02	1.72 \pm 0.34	80.48 \pm 4.02	1.966
NGC 0337c	00 59 51.99	-07 34 54.9	0.10 \pm 0.01	0.52 \pm 0.10	8.54 \pm 0.43	3.227
NGC 0337d	00 59 52.16	-07 34 38.2	0.22 \pm 0.01	1.32 \pm 0.26	24.25 \pm 1.21	4.061
NGC 0628 E nuc. 4	01 36 35.72	+15 50 07.2	0.12 \pm 0.01	0.49 \pm 0.10	10.30 \pm 0.51	7.608
NGC 0628 E nuc. 2	01 36 37.65	+15 45 07.2	0.18 \pm 0.02	0.43 \pm 0.09	42.11 \pm 2.11	4.468
NGC 0628 E nuc. 3	01 36 38.78	+15 44 23.2	0.19 \pm 0.03	0.78 \pm 0.16	31.08 \pm 1.55	5.720
NGC 0628	01 36 41.70	+15 46 59.0	<0.06	0.06 \pm 0.01	2.37 \pm 0.12	0.071
NGC 0628 E nuc. 1	01 36 45.27	+15 47 48.3	0.29 \pm 0.03	0.71 \pm 0.14	78.59 \pm 3.93	2.478
NGC 0855	02 14 03.68	+27 52 37.9	0.21 \pm 0.01	...	19.62 \pm 0.98	0.202
NGC 0925	02 27 17.00	+33 34 43.0	<0.04	0.30 \pm 0.06	3.40 \pm 0.17	0.183
NGC 1097 E nuc. 2	02 46 14.40	-30 15 04.0	0.05 \pm 0.01	...	3.51 \pm 0.18	7.435
NGC 1097	02 46 18.98	-30 16 28.8	2.30 \pm 0.08	...	158.45 \pm 7.92	0.020
NGC 1097 E nuc. 1 a	02 46 22.56	-30 17 29.9	0.08 \pm 0.01	...	12.30 \pm 0.62	5.416
NGC 1097 E nuc. 1 b	02 46 22.93	-30 17 48.1	0.12 \pm 0.01	...	11.02 \pm 0.55	6.817
NGC 1097 E nuc. 1 c	02 46 24.06	-30 17 50.9	0.07 \pm 0.01	...	8.52 \pm 0.43	7.392
NGC 1266	03 16 00.76	-02 25 37.1	4.58 \pm 0.15	...	458.85 \pm 22.94	0.270
NGC 1377	03 36 38.90	-20 54 06.0	<0.08	...	705.71 \pm 35.29	0.580
NGC 1482	03 54 38.97	-20 30 07.8	6.71 \pm 0.21	...	1394.77 \pm 69.74	0.124
NGC 2403 E nuc. 5	07 36 19.84	+65 37 05.5	0.56 \pm 0.02	2.21 \pm 0.44	54.79 \pm 2.74	3.464
NGC 2403 E nuc. 6	07 36 28.69	+65 33 49.4	0.30 \pm 0.01	1.14 \pm 0.23	9.36 \pm 0.47	5.380
NGC 2403 E nuc. 1 a	07 36 42.06	+65 36 51.9	0.13 \pm 0.01	0.15 \pm 0.03	3.73 \pm 0.19	1.087
NGC 2403 E nuc. 1 b	07 36 45.50	+65 37 00.9	0.55 \pm 0.02	2.80 \pm 0.56	87.21 \pm 4.36	1.192
NGC 2403 E nuc. 2 a	07 36 49.11	+65 36 51.7	0.25 \pm 0.02	0.68 \pm 0.14	36.22 \pm 1.81	1.113
NGC 2403	07 36 50.00	+65 36 04.0	<0.03	0.16 \pm 0.03	3.39 \pm 0.17	0.000
NGC 2403 E nuc. 2 b	07 36 52.36	+65 36 46.9	0.49 \pm 0.02	2.12 \pm 0.42	61.17 \pm 3.06	1.249
NGC 2403 E nuc. 3	07 37 06.95	+65 36 39.0	1.62 \pm 0.05	4.92 \pm 0.98	294.85 \pm 14.74	2.811
NGC 2403 E nuc. 4	07 37 18.19	+65 33 48.1	0.33 \pm 0.01	0.74 \pm 0.15	17.82 \pm 0.89	3.455
Holmberg II	08 19 13.06	+70 43 08.0	0.21 \pm 0.02	1.49 \pm 0.30	16.70 \pm 0.83	0.738
NGC 2798	09 17 22.85	+42 00 00.4	2.06 \pm 0.06	4.46 \pm 0.89	1132.59 \pm 56.63	0.144
NGC 2841	09 22 02.67	+50 58 35.7	0.56 \pm 0.02	0.24 \pm 0.05	13.12 \pm 0.66	0.155
NGC 2976 E nuc. 1 a	09 47 05.19	+67 55 52.0	0.35 \pm 0.02	0.58 \pm 0.12	27.97 \pm 1.40	1.420
NGC 2976 E nuc. 1 b	09 47 07.64	+67 55 54.7	0.86 \pm 0.03	3.09 \pm 0.62	133.92 \pm 6.70	1.201
NGC 2976	09 47 13.49	+67 54 54.0	0.09 \pm 0.02	0.50 \pm 0.10	7.49 \pm 0.37	0.462
NGC 2976 E nuc. 2 a	09 47 23.83	+67 53 54.9	0.45 \pm 0.02	1.90 \pm 0.38	55.16 \pm 2.76	1.394
NGC 2976 E nuc. 2 b	09 47 23.94	+67 54 02.1	0.21 \pm 0.02	1.09 \pm 0.22	23.23 \pm 1.16	1.310
NGC 3049	09 54 49.56	+09 16 16.1	0.54 \pm 0.02	1.18 \pm 0.24	191.34 \pm 11.56	0.103
NGC 3190	10 18 05.64	+21 49 55.9	0.26 \pm 0.02	0.15 \pm 0.03	31.69 \pm 1.58	0.098
NGC 3184	10 18 16.94	+41 25 27.0	0.14 \pm 0.01	0.25 \pm 0.05	57.85 \pm 2.89	0.063
NGC 3198	10 19 54.99	+45 32 59.3	0.12 \pm 0.02	0.12 \pm 0.02	184.89 \pm 9.24	0.116
IC 2574a	10 28 43.71	+68 28 26.3	0.28 \pm 0.02	0.06 \pm 0.01	5.22 \pm 0.26	6.253
IC 2574b	10 28 48.40	+68 28 03.5	0.24 \pm 0.02	1.74 \pm 0.35	20.86 \pm 1.04	5.254
NGC 3265	10 31 06.77	+28 47 48.0	0.43 \pm 0.02	...	147.65 \pm 7.38	0.087
NGC 3351a	10 43 57.68	+11 42 08.0	0.77 \pm 0.03	2.42 \pm 0.48	316.70 \pm 15.83	0.230
NGC 3351b	10 43 57.80	+11 42 18.5	0.89 \pm 0.03	2.23 \pm 0.45	403.05 \pm 20.15	0.258
NGC 3521 E nuc. 1	11 05 46.30	-00 04 09.0	<0.11	0.12 \pm 0.02	7.32 \pm 0.37	9.929
NGC 3521 E nuc. 3	11 05 47.60	+00 00 33.0	<0.07	0.10 \pm 0.02	7.48 \pm 0.37	9.509
NGC 3521	11 05 48.90	-00 02 06.0	<0.05	0.59 \pm 0.12	14.37 \pm 0.72	0.625
NGC 3521 E nuc. 2 a	11 05 49.34	-00 03 24.2	0.15 \pm 0.03	0.24 \pm 0.05	22.25 \pm 1.11	4.302
NGC 3521 E nuc. 2 b	11 05 49.94	-00 03 55.9	0.11 \pm 0.03	0.05 \pm 0.01	2.97 \pm 0.15	6.044
NGC 3621	11 18 16.00	-32 48 42.0	<0.09	...	7.86 \pm 0.39	0.348
NGC 3627	11 20 15.00	+12 59 29.4	1.07 \pm 0.04	0.88 \pm 0.18	257.22 \pm 12.86	0.028
NGC 3627 E nuc. 1	11 20 16.32	+12 57 49.2	0.85 \pm 0.03	0.39 \pm 0.08	177.00 \pm 8.85	4.712
NGC 3627 E nuc. 2	11 20 16.46	+12 58 43.4	1.93 \pm 0.06	0.92 \pm 0.18	496.59 \pm 24.83	2.746
NGC 3773	11 38 13.02	+12 06 43.8	0.38 \pm 0.02	...	60.04 \pm 3.00	0.023
NGC 3938	11 52 48.19	+44 07 05.9	0.08 \pm 0.01	0.07 \pm 0.01	3.39 \pm 0.17	1.407
NGC 3938	11 52 49.50	+44 07 14.0	<0.04	0.07 \pm 0.01	5.68 \pm 0.28	0.140
NGC 3938 E nuc. 2 a	11 53 00.06	+44 08 00.0	0.10 \pm 0.02	0.29 \pm 0.06	7.92 \pm 0.40	11.158
NGC 3938 E nuc. 2 b	11 53 00.19	+44 07 48.3	0.11 \pm 0.02	0.34 \pm 0.07	22.10 \pm 1.10	11.049
NGC 4254 E nuc. 2 a	12 18 45.78	+14 24 10.4	0.09 \pm 0.01	0.36 \pm 0.07	13.60 \pm 0.68	5.342
NGC 4254 E nuc. 2 b	12 18 46.13	+14 24 18.8	0.12 \pm 0.01	0.18 \pm 0.04	11.38 \pm 0.57	4.698
NGC 4254a	12 18 48.68	+14 24 42.5	0.07 \pm 0.02	0.45 \pm 0.09	33.20 \pm 1.66	1.553
NGC 4254 E nuc. 1 a	12 18 49.20	+14 23 57.9	0.12 \pm 0.02	0.23 \pm 0.05	22.90 \pm 1.15	4.428

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Source ID	R.A. (J2000)	Decl. (J2000)	S_{33} GHz (mJy)	$f_{\text{H}\alpha}/10^{-13}$ (erg s $^{-1}$ cm $^{-2}$)	$f_{24 \mu\text{m}}$ (mJy)	r_G (kpc)
NGC 4254b	12 18 49.67	+14 24 59.0	0.11 ± 0.02	0.60 ± 0.12	54.75 ± 2.74	0.111
NGC 4254 Enuc. 1 b	12 18 50.01	+14 24 06.9	0.15 ± 0.02	0.49 ± 0.10	18.52 ± 0.93	3.886
NGC 4254c	12 18 50.10	+14 25 11.6	0.06 ± 0.02	0.37 ± 0.07	27.57 ± 1.38	0.960
NGC 4254 Enuc. 1 c	12 18 50.19	+14 24 18.6	0.18 ± 0.02	0.46 ± 0.09	34.51 ± 1.73	3.116
NGC 4254d	12 18 51.63	+14 25 08.6	0.12 ± 0.02	0.23 ± 0.05	16.04 ± 0.80	2.344
NGC 4254 e	12 18 51.90	+14 24 49.7	0.13 ± 0.02	0.40 ± 0.08	25.51 ± 1.28	2.813
NGC 4254 f	12 18 51.92	+14 24 40.1	0.14 ± 0.02	0.23 ± 0.05	11.52 ± 0.58	3.149
NGC 4321 Enuc. 2 a	12 22 48.84	+15 50 12.8	0.05 ± 0.01	0.14 ± 0.03	8.59 ± 0.43	8.305
NGC 4321 Enuc. 2 b	12 22 49.90	+15 50 27.8	0.05 ± 0.01	0.15 ± 0.03	6.48 ± 0.32	7.979
NGC 4321 Enuc. 2 c	12 22 50.65	+15 50 27.2	0.04 ± 0.01	0.07 ± 0.01	4.81 ± 0.24	7.285
NGC 4321a	12 22 54.65	+15 49 19.8	0.45 ± 0.02	0.80 ± 0.16	89.71 ± 4.49	0.284
NGC 4321b	12 22 55.13	+15 49 20.4	0.63 ± 0.03	0.89 ± 0.18	124.94 ± 6.25	0.270
NGC 4321 Enuc. 1	12 22 58.90	+15 49 35.0	<0.03	0.10 ± 0.02	4.82 ± 0.24	4.520
NGC 4536	12 34 27.06	+02 11 18.2	4.90 ± 0.15	2.03 ± 0.41	1010.56 ± 50.53	0.126
NGC 4559a	12 35 56.27	+27 57 40.5	0.08 ± 0.01	0.76 ± 0.15	10.30 ± 0.52	1.304
NGC 4559b	12 35 56.46	+27 57 21.3	0.05 ± 0.01	0.57 ± 0.11	6.25 ± 0.31	1.880
NGC 4559c	12 35 58.47	+27 57 29.7	0.11 ± 0.01	0.72 ± 0.14	18.98 ± 0.95	0.608
NGC 4569	12 36 49.80	+13 09 46.6	0.51 ± 0.03	2.96 ± 0.59	326.78 ± 16.34	0.037
NGC 4579	12 37 43.52	+11 49 05.6	30.13 ± 0.91	1.98 ± 0.40	101.01 ± 5.05	0.105
NGC 4594	12 39 59.42	-11 37 23.0	36.58 ± 1.10	0.77 ± 0.15	35.64 ± 1.78	0.052
NGC 4631 Enuc. 1	12 41 40.47	+32 31 49.1	0.14 ± 0.01	0.82 ± 0.16	7.67 ± 0.38	13.762
NGC 4625	12 41 52.40	+41 16 24.0	<0.03	0.15 ± 0.03	4.77 ± 0.24	0.139
NGC 4631a	12 42 03.43	+32 32 17.2	0.72 ± 0.03	0.35 ± 0.07	40.98 ± 2.05	3.189
NGC 4631b	12 42 03.98	+32 32 16.0	0.58 ± 0.02	0.48 ± 0.10	86.71 ± 4.34	3.435
NGC 4631c	12 42 04.31	+32 32 25.3	1.29 ± 0.04	0.27 ± 0.05	171.90 ± 8.59	1.734
NGC 4631d	12 42 05.09	+32 32 10.6	0.26 ± 0.02	0.38 ± 0.08	46.49 ± 2.32	4.988
NGC 4631 e	12 42 05.57	+32 32 29.5	0.61 ± 0.02	0.41 ± 0.08	95.52 ± 4.78	1.387
NGC 4631 f	12 42 06.26	+32 32 31.9	0.51 ± 0.02	0.35 ± 0.07	75.60 ± 3.78	1.566
NGC 4631 g	12 42 07.47	+32 32 31.6	0.97 ± 0.03	0.32 ± 0.06	145.27 ± 7.26	0.960
NGC 4631h	12 42 08.06	+32 32 34.9	1.29 ± 0.04	0.30 ± 0.06	276.81 ± 13.84	1.769
NGC 4631 Enuc. 2 a	12 42 21.42	+32 33 06.3	0.18 ± 0.01	0.69 ± 0.14	19.61 ± 0.98	9.974
NGC 4631 Enuc. 2 b	12 42 21.99	+32 32 45.0	0.36 ± 0.02	1.93 ± 0.39	42.30 ± 2.11	6.651
NGC 4725a	12 50 26.56	+25 30 03.0	0.16 ± 0.01	<0.01	22.16 ± 1.11	0.044
NGC 4725b	12 50 28.48	+25 30 21.9	0.19 ± 0.01	0.01 ± 0.00	0.30 ± 0.02	1.921
NGC 4736	12 50 53.05	+41 07 12.8	1.02 ± 0.04	0.56 ± 0.11	313.33 ± 15.67	0.014
NGC 4736 Enuc. 1 a	12 50 56.41	+41 07 14.3	0.35 ± 0.02	0.89 ± 0.18	93.24 ± 4.66	0.864
NGC 4736 Enuc. 1 b	12 50 56.70	+41 07 05.0	0.39 ± 0.02	0.74 ± 0.15	91.02 ± 4.55	0.939
NGC 4736 Enuc. 1 c	12 50 56.78	+41 06 47.6	0.26 ± 0.02	0.54 ± 0.11	93.76 ± 4.69	1.123
NGC 4826	12 56 43.56	+21 41 00.6	1.00 ± 0.03	3.44 ± 0.69	203.63 ± 10.18	0.055
NGC 5055	13 15 49.31	+42 01 45.1	0.12 ± 0.02	1.26 ± 0.25	41.37 ± 2.07	0.009
NGC 5055 Enuc. 1	13 15 58.32	+42 00 27.4	0.15 ± 0.02	0.64 ± 0.13	23.38 ± 1.17	5.630
NGC 5194 Enuc. 6	13 29 39.32	+47 08 40.7	0.21 ± 0.01	0.50 ± 0.10	26.64 ± 1.33	12.321
NGC 5194 Enuc. 2	13 29 44.10	+47 10 23.4	0.39 ± 0.02	1.40 ± 0.28	102.84 ± 5.14	6.834
NGC 5194 Enuc. 3	13 29 45.13	+47 09 57.4	0.25 ± 0.01	0.67 ± 0.13	65.69 ± 3.28	7.048
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 a	13 29 47.14	+47 13 41.3	0.10 ± 0.01	0.43 ± 0.09	14.18 ± 0.71	4.941
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 b	13 29 47.58	+47 13 24.8	0.09 ± 0.01	0.13 ± 0.03	10.22 ± 0.51	4.340
NGC 5194 Enuc. 1 a	13 29 49.51	+47 12 40.3	0.38 ± 0.02	0.58 ± 0.12	84.19 ± 4.21	2.534
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 d	13 29 49.58	+47 13 28.7	0.07 ± 0.01	0.12 ± 0.02	15.18 ± 0.76	4.078
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 c	13 29 49.67	+47 14 00.2	0.06 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.02	2.83 ± 0.14	5.221
NGC 5194c	13 29 50.02	+47 11 31.9	0.16 ± 0.01	0.32 ± 0.06	51.41 ± 2.57	1.804
NGC 5194 Enuc. 11 e	13 29 50.64	+47 13 44.9	0.13 ± 0.01	0.26 ± 0.05	23.92 ± 1.20	4.633
NGC 5194b	13 29 51.64	+47 12 06.7	0.22 ± 0.01	0.60 ± 0.12	36.69 ± 1.83	0.977
NGC 5194 Enuc. 1 b	13 29 52.07	+47 12 43.6	0.27 ± 0.02	0.94 ± 0.19	76.18 ± 3.81	2.322
NGC 5194 e	13 29 52.55	+47 11 52.6	0.45 ± 0.02	0.76 ± 0.15	30.02 ± 1.50	0.365
NGC 5194d	13 29 52.73	+47 11 40.6	0.52 ± 0.02	1.86 ± 0.37	98.02 ± 4.90	0.092
NGC 5194 Enuc. 1 c	13 29 53.13	+47 12 39.4	0.14 ± 0.01	0.67 ± 0.13	33.13 ± 1.66	2.323
NGC 5194 Enuc. 4 a	13 29 53.93	+47 14 04.9	0.08 ± 0.01	0.02 ± 0.00	10.79 ± 0.54	5.880
NGC 5194 Enuc. 10 a	13 29 55.35	+47 10 47.2	0.09 ± 0.02	0.18 ± 0.04	20.28 ± 1.01	2.336
NGC 5194 Enuc. 4 b	13 29 55.49	+47 14 01.6	0.19 ± 0.01	0.02 ± 0.00	34.81 ± 1.74	6.193
NGC 5194 Enuc. 4 c	13 29 55.61	+47 13 50.2	0.08 ± 0.01	0.02 ± 0.00	13.88 ± 0.69	5.798
NGC 5194a	13 29 55.79	+47 11 45.1	0.34 ± 0.02	0.68 ± 0.14	108.62 ± 5.43	1.906
NGC 5194 Enuc. 10 b	13 29 56.52	+47 10 46.9	0.14 ± 0.02	0.39 ± 0.08	39.62 ± 1.98	2.723
NGC 5194 Enuc. 4 d	13 29 58.73	+47 14 09.4	0.07 ± 0.01	0.02 ± 0.00	23.43 ± 1.17	7.696

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NGC 5194 E nuc. 5	13 29 59.60	+47 13 59.8	0.17 ± 0.02	0.02 ± 0.00	33.37 ± 1.67	7.742
NGC 5194 E nuc. 9	13 29 59.78	+47 11 12.3	0.20 ± 0.02	0.39 ± 0.08	53.25 ± 2.66	4.131
NGC 5194 E nuc. 7 a	13 30 01.03	+47 09 28.6	0.12 ± 0.02	0.39 ± 0.08	9.40 ± 0.47	6.221
NGC 5194 E nuc. 8	13 30 01.48	+47 12 51.7	0.29 ± 0.02	0.62 ± 0.12	114.17 ± 5.71	6.650
NGC 5194 E nuc. 7 b	13 30 02.38	+47 09 48.7	0.20 ± 0.02	1.04 ± 0.21	52.45 ± 2.62	6.329
NGC 5194 E nuc. 7 c	13 30 03.47	+47 09 40.3	<0.06	0.41 ± 0.08	14.98 ± 0.75	6.962
NGC 5398	14 01 20.10	-33 04 09.2	0.69 ± 0.03	...	104.29 ± 5.21	1.381
NGC 5457 E nuc. 6 a	14 02 28.20	+54 16 27.2	0.39 ± 0.02	1.80 ± 0.36	64.28 ± 3.21	15.707
NGC 5457 E nuc. 6 b	14 02 29.61	+54 16 15.8	0.44 ± 0.02	1.19 ± 0.24	60.68 ± 3.03	15.550
NGC 5457 E nuc. 6 c	14 02 30.57	+54 16 09.8	0.30 ± 0.02	1.15 ± 0.23	65.81 ± 3.29	15.422
NGC 5457 E nuc. 2	14 02 55.00	+54 22 27.5	0.16 ± 0.02	0.70 ± 0.14	25.18 ± 1.26	6.451
NGC 5457 E nuc. 5	14 03 01.20	+54 14 28.4	0.70 ± 0.03	2.39 ± 0.48	77.89 ± 3.89	13.129
NGC 5457 E nuc. 1	14 03 10.20	+54 20 57.8	0.05 ± 0.01	0.20 ± 0.04	13.50 ± 0.68	0.744
NGC 5457	14 03 12.53	+54 20 55.2	0.15 ± 0.01	0.41 ± 0.08	54.79 ± 2.74	0.062
NGC 5457 E nuc. 3 a	14 03 38.32	+54 18 51.4	0.07 ± 0.02	0.46 ± 0.09	15.42 ± 0.77	9.307
NGC 5457 E nuc. 3 b	14 03 39.89	+54 18 56.8	0.34 ± 0.02	0.97 ± 0.19	55.58 ± 2.78	9.655
NGC 5457 E nuc. 3 c	14 03 41.44	+54 19 04.9	2.85 ± 0.09	5.37 ± 1.07	621.47 ± 31.07	9.964
NGC 5457 E nuc. 3 d	14 03 42.91	+54 19 24.7	0.21 ± 0.02	0.27 ± 0.05	40.62 ± 2.03	10.113
NGC 5457 E nuc. 4 a	14 03 52.04	+54 21 52.5	0.10 ± 0.01	0.57 ± 0.11	7.21 ± 0.36	12.149
NGC 5457 E nuc. 4 b	14 03 53.00	+54 21 57.3	0.13 ± 0.01	0.65 ± 0.13	11.41 ± 0.57	12.453
NGC 5457 E nuc. 4 c	14 03 53.20	+54 22 06.3	0.28 ± 0.02	1.44 ± 0.29	40.88 ± 2.04	12.540
NGC 5457 E nuc. 4 d	14 03 53.99	+54 22 10.8	0.24 ± 0.02	1.02 ± 0.20	27.76 ± 1.39	12.795
NGC 5457 E nuc. 7	14 04 29.33	+54 23 47.6	1.12 ± 0.04	3.40 ± 0.68	55.41 ± 2.77	23.861
NGC 5474	14 05 01.30	+53 39 44.0	<0.03	0.09 ± 0.02	1.19 ± 0.06	0.070
NGC 5713 E nuc. 2 a	14 40 10.80	-00 17 35.5	0.27 ± 0.02	0.55 ± 0.11	60.40 ± 3.02	1.984
NGC 5713 E nuc. 2 b	14 40 10.86	-00 17 50.2	0.09 ± 0.01	0.26 ± 0.05	29.42 ± 1.47	3.295
NGC 5713	14 40 11.30	-00 17 27.0	0.35 ± 0.02	0.38 ± 0.08	51.77 ± 2.59	0.795
NGC 5713	14 40 11.36	-00 17 18.2	1.76 ± 0.06	0.99 ± 0.20	404.14 ± 20.21	0.313
NGC 5866	15 06 29.50	+55 45 47.7	2.01 ± 0.06	...	21.43 ± 1.07	0.051
NGC 6946 E nuc. 4 a	20 34 19.84	+60 10 06.6	0.82 ± 0.03	...	17.29 ± 0.86	9.044
NGC 6946 E nuc. 4 b	20 34 21.41	+60 10 17.7	0.34 ± 0.01	...	1.05 ± 0.05	8.801
NGC 6946 E nuc. 4 c	20 34 22.74	+60 10 34.2	0.61 ± 0.02	...	126.59 ± 6.33	8.739
NGC 6946 E nuc. 8	20 34 32.28	+60 10 19.3	0.56 ± 0.02	1.37 ± 0.27	81.70 ± 4.08	6.122
NGC 6946 E nuc. 5 a	20 34 37.15	+60 05 10.1	0.07 ± 0.01	0.64 ± 0.13	4.36 ± 0.22	9.239
NGC 6946 E nuc. 5 b	20 34 39.36	+60 04 52.4	0.16 ± 0.01	1.30 ± 0.26	10.92 ± 0.55	9.704
NGC 6946 E nuc. 3 a	20 34 49.86	+60 12 40.7	0.10 ± 0.01	1.16 ± 0.23	5.35 ± 0.27	7.742
NGC 6946a	20 34 51.30	+60 09 39.2	0.49 ± 0.04	1.45 ± 0.29	75.91 ± 3.80	1.005
NGC 6946 E nuc. 3 b	20 34 52.24	+60 12 43.7	0.17 ± 0.01	2.38 ± 0.48	22.47 ± 1.12	7.729
NGC 6946b	20 34 52.26	+60 09 14.3	5.36 ± 0.16	4.82 ± 0.96	2160.35 ± 108.02	0.016
NGC 6946c	20 34 52.74	+60 09 30.5	0.24 ± 0.04	0.91 ± 0.18	45.06 ± 2.25	0.601
NGC 6946 E nuc. 6 a	20 35 06.08	+60 10 58.5	0.46 ± 0.02	2.94 ± 0.59	106.62 ± 5.33	4.855
NGC 6946 E nuc. 6 b	20 35 06.96	+60 10 46.5	0.12 ± 0.02	1.08 ± 0.22	43.73 ± 2.19	4.728
NGC 6946 E nuc. 9	20 35 11.09	+60 08 57.5	0.68 ± 0.03	3.29 ± 0.66	119.69 ± 5.98	5.071
NGC 6946 E nuc. 7	20 35 12.97	+60 08 50.5	0.33 ± 0.02	1.19 ± 0.24	73.65 ± 3.68	5.637
NGC 6946 E nuc. 1	20 35 16.80	+60 11 00.0	0.32 ± 0.02	2.73 ± 0.55	48.45 ± 2.42	6.989
NGC 6946 E nuc. 2 a	20 35 23.57	+60 09 48.9	0.15 ± 0.02	2.66 ± 0.53	17.88 ± 0.89	8.120
NGC 6946 E nuc. 2 b	20 35 25.38	+60 09 58.8	0.67 ± 0.03	7.44 ± 1.49	70.65 ± 3.53	8.595
NGC 7331	22 37 04.10	+34 24 56.0	<0.10	<0.18	17.10 ± 0.85	0.000
NGC 7793 E nuc. 1	23 57 48.80	-32 36 58.0	<0.09	0.62 ± 0.12	5.11 ± 0.26	2.574
NGC 7793 E nuc. 3	23 57 48.80	-32 34 52.0	<0.11	0.78 ± 0.16	29.99 ± 1.50	1.016
NGC 7793	23 57 49.20	-32 35 24.0	<0.07	0.55 ± 0.11	10.81 ± 0.54	0.174
NGC 7793	23 57 49.58	-32 35 25.6	<0.07	0.62 ± 0.12	15.14 ± 0.76	0.081
NGC 7793 E nuc. 2	23 57 56.10	-32 35 40.0	<0.07	0.22 ± 0.04	5.76 ± 0.29	1.526

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IMSMOOTH. No astrometric alignment was necessary for the 24 μm images, since the *Spitzer* astrometry was a near-perfect match to the VLA astrometry at 7'' resolution.

Figure 1 shows $H\alpha$ and 24 μm brightness contours overlaid on the 33 GHz images. From a visual comparison, we find that at 7'' (~ 0.1 –1 kpc) resolution, all but one strongly detected ($\geq 5\sigma$)

33 GHz source has a 24 μm counterpart with a nearly identical morphology. Such a tight morphological correlation is expected based on the well-known far-infrared (FIR)-radio correlation (de Jong et al. 1985; Helou et al. 1985). Studies of the resolved FIR-radio correlation (e.g., Hughes et al. 2006; Murphy et al. 2006; Tabatabaei et al. 2007a; Murphy et al. 2008) find that

lower-frequency (synchrotron-dominated) radio emission is generally more spread out and diffuse than the corresponding dust emission associated with a single star-forming region as the result of CR electrons propagating significantly further than dust-heating photons. Since these 33 GHz data are dominated by free-free emission rather than non-thermal synchrotron emission that traces propagating CR electrons, we expect this emission to remain more compact and closer to the skin of the H II regions where most of the warm dust emission is being powered.

At 2'' (≈ 30 – 300 pc) resolution, we find only four 33 GHz sources that are plausibly associated with star-forming regions and do not have H α counterparts. Of these, two (NGC 4631 E and NGC 4631 F; see Figure 1) are located in NGC 4631, an edge-on spiral galaxy where dust lanes are likely strongly affecting the observed spatial distribution of H α emission. The first of the two remaining 33 GHz/H α mismatches, NGC 3627 Euc. 1 A, has a bright 33 GHz peak that is morphologically distinct from any nearby H α structure and is offset from the nearest H α peak by ≈ 150 pc. However, the 24 μm peak pixel is co-located with the 33 GHz peak to better than ≈ 50 pc. From this, we suspect that NGC 3627 Euc. 1 A may be a highly extinguished ($A_{\text{H}\alpha} \gtrsim 5$ mag) H II region. The final mismatch is NGC 5194 Euc. 11 C, which is an unresolved radio peak located at the tip of a diffuse radio structure extending from the bright H II region NGC 5194 Euc. 11 E. This source has neither an H α nor a 24 μm counterpart, which rules out dust as an explanation for the mismatch.

Our main result from this analysis is that $\approx 99\%$ of the 33 GHz sources in our sample have morphologically similar counterparts in both the 24 μm (on scales of a few hundred pc) and H α (on scales of ~ 100 pc) images. The striking morphological similarities between the three tracers suggest that for each of these regions, the H α , 24 μm , and 33 GHz emission are powered by the same source, namely massive star formation. The H α correspondence in particular suggests that the 33 GHz emission is primarily powered by free-free emission. Another interesting implication of the 99% matching between 33 GHz (and 24 μm) sources to H α sources is that this places a relatively strong limit on the number of deeply embedded bright star-forming regions in these galaxies. Using 24 μm and H α observations, Prescott et al. (2007) report that $\approx 4\%$ of their sources are “highly embedded” (i.e., $A_{\text{H}\alpha} \gtrsim 3.3$ mag) on ≈ 500 pc scales for ≈ 1800 star-forming regions. Using that same criterion, we find that $\approx 10\%$ of our sources appear to be highly embedded (see Section 3.3). This is a slightly higher fraction than that reported by Prescott et al. (2007), which may be due to sampling regions at finer spatial scales (i.e., ≈ 100 pc compared to ≈ 500 pc), or simply due to having much fewer sources in our analysis. If young clusters were buried in molecular clouds for a long period, we would expect to observe many 33 GHz and 24 μm sources without optical counterparts. Taking a typical H II region lifetime to be ~ 5 – 10 Myr, our highly embedded fraction of $\approx 10\%$ suggests that, on average, an H II region remains embedded for $\lesssim 1$ Myr, consistent with multi-wavelength observations of young star-forming regions in a variety of extragalactic systems (e.g., Johnson et al. 2001; Whitmore et al. 2011).

3.3. Radial Trends

In Figure 3 we investigate if there are any trends in the ratio of the 33 GHz flux to H α line flux as a function of galactocentric radius. We distinguish nuclear from extranuclear

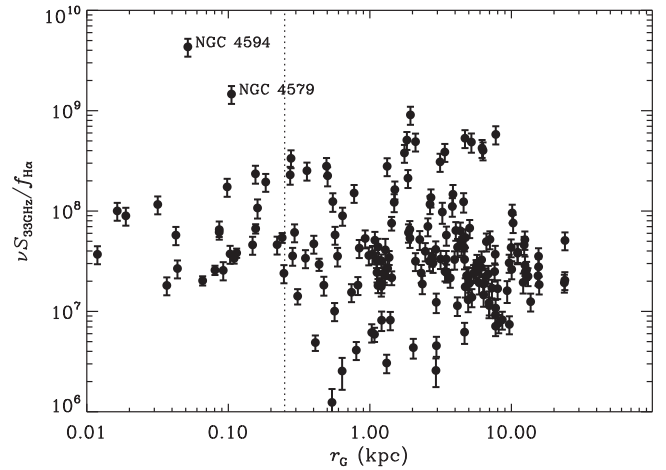


Figure 3. Ratio of 33 GHz flux to H α line flux plotted against galactocentric radius for all 162 sources having $\geq 3\sigma$ detections at 33 GHz and in H α . The vertical line at $r_G = 250$ pc indicates the radius used to conservatively distinguish nuclear and extranuclear regions, as some nuclear regions may be affected by AGNs. While no obvious trend is seen, the median ratio does appear to be statistically larger within a central diameter of 500 pc for all galaxies than the outer disks by a factor of 1.82 ± 0.39 . We identify those sources that are clear outliers, NGC 4594 and NGC 4579, which are both known to harbor AGNs that likely dominate the 33 GHz continuum emission.

sources as having a galactocentric radius $r_G < 250$ pc, since in some cases a fraction of the nuclear 33 GHz emission may be powered by a central AGN (see Figure 3). For the 162 extranuclear sources detected at $> 3\sigma$ significance at both 33 GHz and in H α , we calculate SFRs following the equations given in Murphy et al. (2011, 2012). As discussed in Section 3.1, given that these 33 GHz data are able to resolve star-forming regions within each galaxy on ≈ 100 pc scales, combined with the results of Murphy et al. (2012, 2015), we assume a 33 GHz thermal fraction of $\approx 90\%$ when calculating SFRs with Equation (11) in Murphy et al. (2011). Using the ratio of the optically-thin 33 GHz to uncorrected H α SFRs, we calculate a median extinction value on 30–300 pc scales of $A_{\text{H}\alpha} \approx 1.26 \pm 0.09$ mag, similar to the value of 1.4 mag reported by Prescott et al. (2007) when comparing 24 μm and H α photometry on 500 pc scales for nearly 1800 star-forming regions within a sample of 38 nearby galaxies. The associated median absolute deviation is 0.87 mag. We believe that the rather large scatter here is driven by the corresponding large (20%) calibration uncertainty associated with the difficulties in H α narrowband imaging.

A strong trend in the 33 GHz-to-H α line flux ratio with galactocentric radius is not observed; however, the median ratio does appear to be statistically larger within the central 500 pc diameter for all galaxies compared to the outer disks by a factor of 1.82 ± 0.39 . Furthermore, a two-sided Kolmogorov–Smirnov (KS) test yields a probability of only $\approx 1.4\%$ that both sets of ratios are drawn from the same distribution. With only the 33 GHz and H α data alone, it is unclear if this result is primarily due to a higher amount of non-thermal emission contributing to the 33 GHz flux density or a larger amount of extinction attenuating the H α emission within a galactocentric radius $r_G < 250$ pc for these galaxies. It is worth noting that there are studies in the literature showing that thermal fractions of circumnuclear star-forming regions are indeed lower relative to those in the outer disks of

galaxies (e.g., Kennicutt et al. 1989; Murphy et al. 2011), which indicates that additional non-thermal emission likely plays a role, although there is significant scatter among sources (e.g., Murphy et al. 2012).

To attempt to break this degeneracy, we again plot the ratio of the 33 GHz flux to $H\alpha$ line flux as a function of galactocentric radius in the top panel of Figure 4, as well as the ratio of the 33 GHz to $24\ \mu\text{m}$ flux density as a function of galactocentric radius in the bottom panel, all at matched resolutions. Of the 179 discrete regions used for aperture photometry in the convolved maps, there are a total of 144 and 160 sources detected at $\geq 3\sigma$ at 33 GHz and $H\alpha$ and $24\ \mu\text{m}$, respectively. In both panels we identify those sources with ratios that are clear outliers. These include NGC 4594 and NGC 4579, which are both known to harbor AGNs, NGC 6946 E nuc.4 B, which is a known AME detection (Murphy et al. 2010; Scaife et al. 2010; Hensley et al. 2015). The final source, NGC 4725 B has a spectrum that rises between 15 and 33 GHz based on data to be published in a forthcoming paper. This may be indicative of another AME detection, but requires further investigation to see if this is indeed the case, or perhaps a background AGN peaking at $\gtrsim 33$ GHz.

Similar to what is found in Figure 3 at higher resolution, the median ratio of 33 GHz flux to $H\alpha$ line flux does appear to be larger within a galactocentric radius $r_G < 250$ pc for all galaxies relative to the outer disk regions by a factor of 1.53 ± 0.55 . A two-sided KS test yields a probability of $\approx 5\%$ that both sets of ratios are drawn from the same distribution, which is less significant than the value measured at higher angular resolution above (i.e., $\approx 1.4\%$). Assuming that the 33 GHz and $24\ \mu\text{m}$ emission are both tracing current star formation unbiased by dust, any increase in this ratio among the nuclear versus the extranuclear regions would suggest that the differences in the 33 GHz flux and $H\alpha$ line flux ratios are in fact due to an additional emission component powering the 33 GHz emission (i.e., additional non-thermal emission). While we again find no obvious trend between the ratio of the 33 GHz to $24\ \mu\text{m}$ flux densities versus galactocentric radius, the median ratio actually appears significantly *smaller* within a galactocentric radius $r_G < 250$ pc for all galaxies compared to the outer disks by a factor of 0.45 ± 0.08 . A two-sided KS test in this case yields a probability of $\ll 1\%$ that both sets of ratios are drawn from the same distribution. Consequently, there appears to be a larger amount of warm dust emission per unit star formation activity compared to 33 GHz emission within the central 500 pc diameter for the sample galaxies, consistent with far-infrared studies of nearby galaxies that find that dust tends to be warmer in the centers of galaxies (e.g., Tabatabaei et al. 2007b; Groves et al. 2012; Bendo et al. 2015).

Such a situation may arise if the circumnuclear regions of these galaxies have extended star formation history in which star formation that has taken place over a longer period of time, resulting in an accumulation of $\gtrsim 3$ Myr dust-heating stars in addition to any very old bulge stars that boost the $24\ \mu\text{m}$ flux density relative to the extranuclear regions. This is largely opposite to what we would expect if there was an additional component of non-thermal emission powering the 33 GHz in the central regions of these galaxies, unless the excess dust-heating at $24\ \mu\text{m}$ far exceeds any additional non-thermal emission contribution at 33 GHz. So, while this result alone suggests that the larger ratio of 33 GHz flux to $H\alpha$ line flux found in the central regions of these galaxies may primarily arise from increased extinction, more detailed radio spectral fitting to obtain

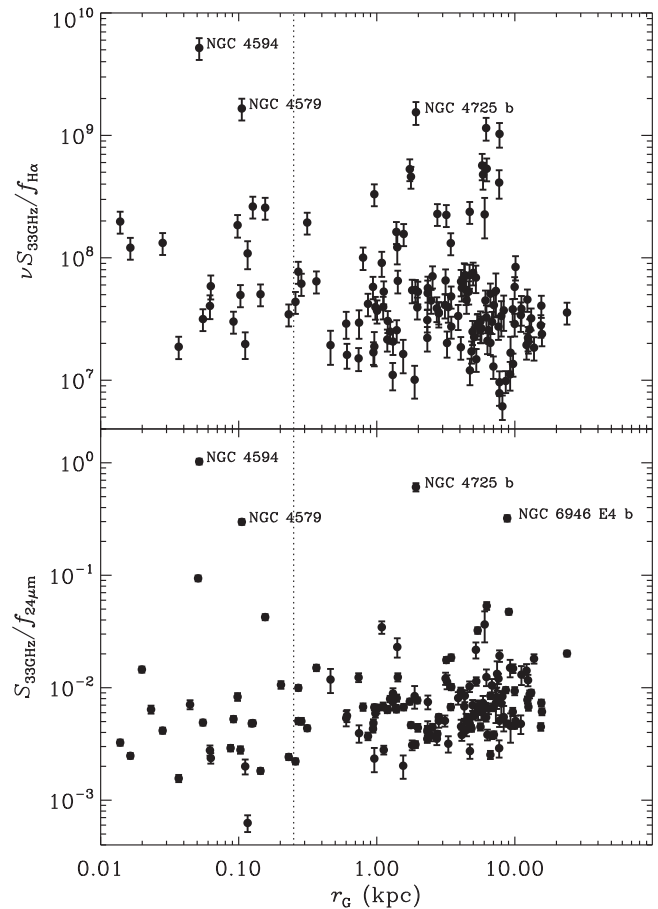


Figure 4. Top: ratio of 33 GHz flux to $H\alpha$ line flux plotted against galactocentric radius for all 144 sources having $\geq 3\sigma$ detections at 33 GHz and in $H\alpha$ after convolving both data sets to match the resolution of the $24\ \mu\text{m}$ *Spitzer* data. The vertical line at $r_G = 250$ pc (in both panels) indicates the radius used to conservatively distinguish nuclear and extranuclear regions, as some nuclear regions may be affected by AGNs. Similar to what is plotted in Figure 3 at higher resolution, no obvious trend is seen. However, the median ratio does appear to be larger within a galactocentric radius $r_G < 250$ pc for all galaxies than the outer disks by a factor of 1.53 ± 0.55 . Bottom: ratio of 33 GHz to $24\ \mu\text{m}$ flux density plotted against galactocentric radius for all 160 sources having $\geq 3\sigma$ detections at 33 GHz and $24\ \mu\text{m}$. Similar to the top panel, no obvious trend with galactocentric radius is seen. However, the median ratio does appear to be significantly smaller within a galactocentric radius $r_G < 250$ pc for all galaxies, compared to the outer disks, by a factor of 0.45 ± 0.08 . In both panels we identify those sources that are clear outliers, NGC 4594 and NGC 4579, which are both known to harbor AGNs; NGC 6946 E nuc.4 B, which is a known AME detection (Murphy et al. 2010; Scaife et al. 2010; Hensley et al. 2015); and NGC 4725 B, which may be a background AGN or another AME detection and warrants further investigation.

reliable thermal fractions is needed to help to confirm the dominant physical process driving the observed trend.

4. Conclusions

We have presented 33 GHz interferometric imaging taken with the VLA for 112 fields (50 nuclei and 62 extranuclear H II regions) observed as part of the SFRS. These $\approx 2''$ resolution images are compared to archival $H\alpha$ and $24\ \mu\text{m}$ imaging. Our conclusions can be summarized as follows.

1. A comparison with GBT single-dish 33 GHz observations indicates that the interferometric VLA observations

- recover $78 \pm 4\%$ of the total flux density over $25''$ regions (\approx kpc scales) among all fields on average, indicating that on the $\lesssim 300$ pc scales sampled by our VLA observations, missing emission from the lack of short spacings is not significant. On \approx kpc scales, the bulk of the emission being resolved out by our 33 GHz interferometric observations is most likely diffuse non-thermal synchrotron emission associated with CR electrons as they propagate away from their birth sites in supernova remnants near H II regions. Consequently, on the ≈ 30 – 300 pc scales sampled by our VLA observations the observed 33 GHz emission is primarily powered by free–free emission from discrete H II regions, making it an excellent tracer of massive star formation.
- A morphological comparison between the 33 GHz radio, H α nebular line, and $24 \mu\text{m}$ warm dust emission shows remarkably tight similarities in their distributions, suggesting that each of these emission components are indeed powered by a common source (expected to be massive star-forming regions), and again suggests that the 33 GHz emission is dominated by free–free emission.
 - Of the 225 discrete regions used for aperture photometry, 162 are detected at $>3\sigma$ significance at both 33 GHz and in H α and are conservatively considered to be extranuclear and star-forming by having galactocentric radii $r_G \geq 250$ pc. By assuming a typical 33 GHz thermal fraction of 90%, we use this ratio of the optically-thin 33 GHz to uncorrected H α SFRs to calculate a median extinction value on 30–300 pc scales of $A_{H\alpha} \approx 1.26 \pm 0.09$ mag with an associated median absolute deviation of 0.87 mag among these star-forming regions.
 - We find that $\approx 99\%$ of 33 GHz sources in our sample have morphologically similar counterparts in both the $24 \mu\text{m}$ (on scales of a few hundred parsecs) and H α (on scales of ~ 100 pc) images suggesting that each is powered by massive star formation. The H α correspondence in particular suggests that the 33 GHz emission is primarily powered by free–free emission. This result additionally puts a limit on the number of deeply embedded bright star-forming regions in these galaxies given that if young clusters were buried in molecular clouds for a long period, we would expect to observe many 33 GHz and $24 \mu\text{m}$ sources without optical counterparts. Our “highly embedded” (i.e., $A_{H\alpha} \gtrsim 3.3$ mag) fraction of $\approx 10\%$ suggests that, on average, H II regions remain embedded for $\lesssim 1$ Myr.
 - We find that the median 33 GHz flux to H α line flux ratio is statistically larger within a galactocentric radius $r_G < 250$ pc for all galaxies relative to the outer disk regions by a factor of 1.82 ± 0.39 . We additionally find that the median 33 GHz-to- $24 \mu\text{m}$ ratio does appear to be statistically smaller in the central 500 pc diameter for all galaxies compared to the outer disk regions by a factor of 0.45 ± 0.08 . The combination of these results suggests that the larger ratio of 33 GHz flux to H α line flux found in the central regions may arise primarily by increased extinction, rather than an excess of non-thermal radio emission. However, more detailed radio spectral fitting to obtain reliable thermal fractions is needed to help to confirm the dominant physical process driving this observed trend.

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