Our Community

Growing our User Base Challenge to SNOPAC

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The Challenge

- Engage more effectively with the grad-student/pretenure scientists
 - Specifically, SNOPAC to provide a report of findings with actionable suggestions for this topic (and targets, if applicable) by the May telecon
- Ideas to strengthen synergy between SOFIA and other observatory users in addressing outstanding science questions that need both platforms
 - Are joint workshops enough? Asilomar Oct 2018/ALMA
 Seattle AAS Feb 2019 with a thematic
- Other innovative ways to grow our community

We need more grad students using SOFIA to ensure the future of this observatory

- Examples like:
 - Invite to give talks at SOFIA science center (pay travel)
 - Give them money to go to AAS/meetings
 - Offer spots to fly on SOFIA
 - Invite them to come to work on the project (with a task)
 - Grad student symposium (is there an example we can model?)
 - DT projects for grad students another proposal type for SOFIA?



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