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DDT#2 Overview



- Final Director's Discretionary Time deadline –
 May 3
 - priority 1, 'must-do' science only
 - Received 39 proposals requesting 3,180 hours
 - Substantially larger response than anticipated
- Two > 500 hour and two ~150 hour proposals

1 proposal requesting use of the IRAC shutter

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• 21 proposals, 509.6 hours

Science Category	# Proposals	Hours
Brown Dwarfs	3	30.0
Exoplanets	5	162.5
Debris Disks	2	8.3
Evolved Stars	3	16.0
YSOs	1	4.5
Distant Universe	5	223.2
Local Group	1	21.1
Zodiacal Dust	1	44.0

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Highlights



- 166.6 hours, "Relics of the Cosmic Dawn"
 - PI: Marusa Bradac

- 44 hours, "Placing New Observational Constraints on the Structure of the Zodiacal Dust with the Spitzer/IRAC Shutter"
 - PI: Ranga-Ram Chary
 - IRAC shutter has never been exercised in flight
 - Planned as final observations of the missions

Future Proposals



- DDT proposals accepted through the rest of the mission
- All DDT proposals must include a brief description of why it was not possible to submit the proposal prior to the final DDT deadline (May 3, 2019)
- The review of time-critical proposals will be done as rapidly as resources allow
- Scheduling remains challenging because only one visibility window remains for almost all targets
- Last observing schedule will be built in December

Jan 29, 2020 – final science executes Jan 30, 2020 – Spitzer is decommissioned