

FUV Emission in Cool-Core Clusters

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Abstract. Far ultraviolet (FUV) emission is observed in the central regions of cool-core clusters with the *Hubble Space Telescope* (*HST*). It is traced out to 20 kpc from the nuclei of the brightest cluster galaxies and found to be distributed in clumps and filaments, as shown in Figure 1. The FUV emission matches the global structure of the ionized gas nebulae. If produced by stars, this emission can account for the ionization but not the temperature of the gas (Voit & Donahue 1997; Oonk *et al.* in preparation).

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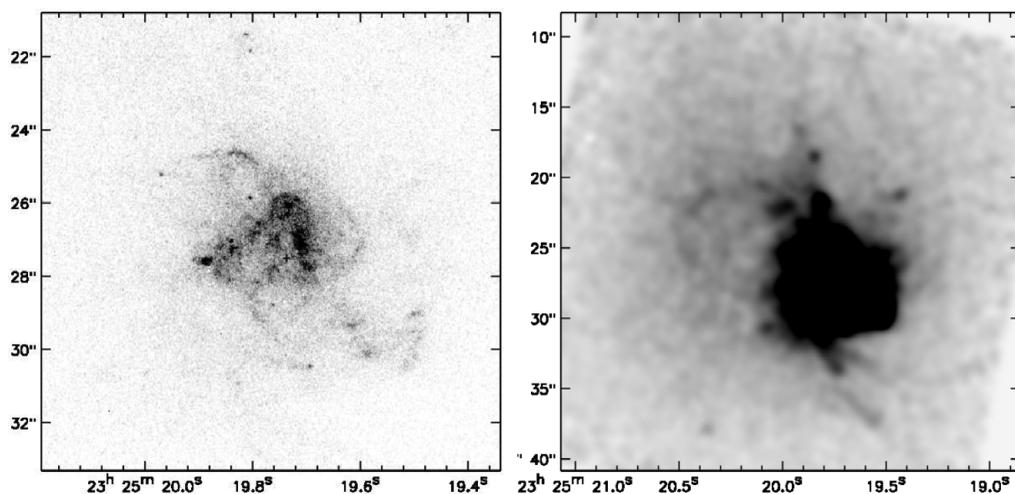


Figure 1. Far ultraviolet emission in the core of Abell 2597 ($1'' = 1.5$ kpc) as observed by *HST*. *Left:* FUV emission in the nuclear region at the intrinsic resolution of *HST*. *Right:* Extended FUV emission at a resolution of $1''$.

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