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## **alpha Centauri: their FIR photospheres and possible dust discs**

Debris discs around main sequence stars indicates the presence of larger rocky bodies. We studied the nearby solar-type binary, alpha Centauri, to determine the possible amount of dust. As this require knowledge of their photospheres we also find indications of a temperature minimum in alpha Centauri B's upper atmosphere. We also study possible effects such temperature minima may have on the detectability of unresoled dust discs around other stars.