

FG SGE, V605 AQL, SAKURAI — FACTS AND FICTIONS

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These three bona-fide born-again objects set the benchmark for all the theorists who want to model post-AGB evolution with late and very late thermal pulses. We see stellar evolution before our eyes, but that is only one part of the whole story. The past evolution has to be inferred by indirect means whose reliability is not always critically examined. In this talk I will discuss the present status of our knowledge about these objects and will point to misconceptions that may spoil some of the recent findings.