

# **E-ELT: A QUICK REVIEW OF (SOME) PNCG PROGRAMMES (COSMOLOGY, GALAXIES)**

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## Source

### **Instrument Phase A studies : 9 Instruments and 2 AO modules (2 (2007-2009)**

#### **E-ELT Design Reference Mission (DRM) (ESO)**

- ⦿ Detailed studies of 'prominent science cases' elaborated by the ESO E-ELT SWG and project office and the community (2010-2011)
- ⦿ Generic instrumentation
- ⦿ The absence of a comprehensive instrumentation plan for the E-ELT makes the DRM exercise in large part academic. We don't know if this will be the science carried out in the first 2, 5 or 10 yrs of telescope operations

#### **Usual Disclaimers**

- ⦿ By no means an exhaustive review. Only a few representative examples
- ⦿ The science that you will do in 2025 (?) will not be the science that we would do today with the facilities of 2025

# Stars and Planets

- S1 – Solar System Comets
- S2 – Extra-Solar-System Comets
- S3 – From giant to terrestrial exoplanets:  
detection, characterisation and evolution**
- S4 – Freely-floating planetary mass objects
- S5 – Young stellar clusters (incl. Galactic Centre)
- S6 – Magnetic fields in star formation and in very low-mass objects
- S7 – Origin of massive stars
- S8 – LMC and SMC field star population
- S9 – Circumstellar Disks**
- S10 – Stellar remnants: black holes and neutron stars
- S11 – Asteroseismology

# Stars and Galaxies

- G1 – The intracluster stellar population
- G2 – Planetary Nebulae as traces of the element abundances in early type galaxies and diffuse light in clusters
- G3 – Stellar Clusters and the Evolution of Galaxies
- G4 – Imaging & Spectroscopy of Resolved Stellar Populations in Galaxies**
- G5 – Spectral observations of star clusters
- G6 – Young, massive star clusters
- G7 – Measuring the stellar IMF in local group galaxies
- G8 – Star formation history through supernovae
- G9 – AGN Demographics**

# Galaxies and Cosmology

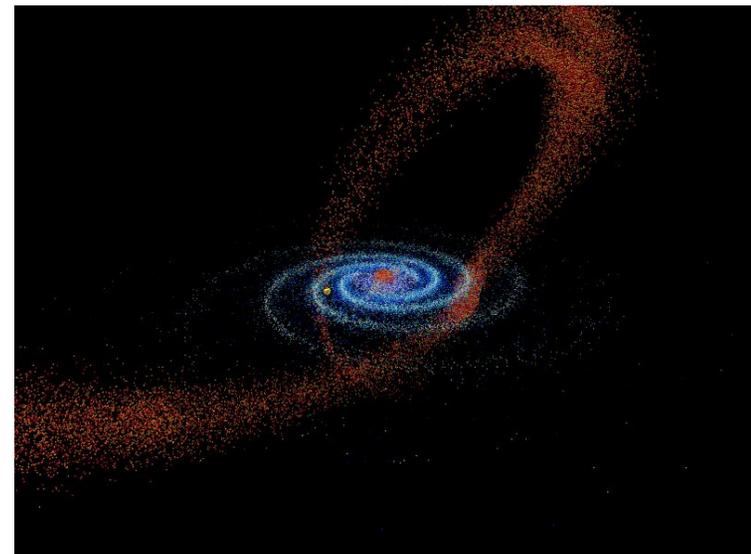
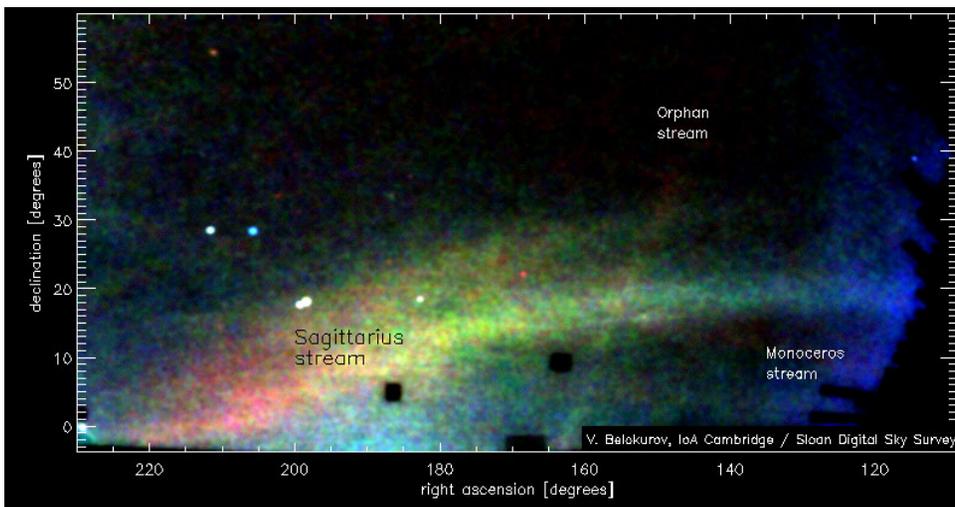
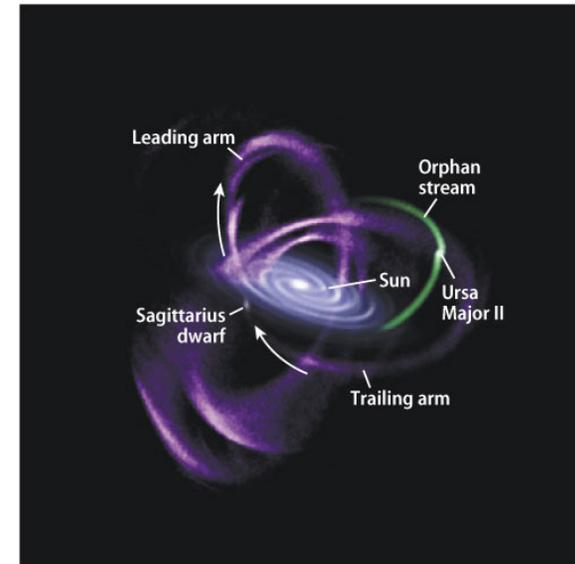
- C1 – Dark Energy – Type Ia Supernovae as Distance Indicators
- C2 – **A dynamical measurement of the expansion history of the Universe**
- C3 – Testing the variability of fundamental constants with QSO absorption spectra
- C4 – **First light - The Highest Redshift Galaxies ( $z > 10$ )**
- C5 – Galaxies and AGN at end of reionization
- C6 – Probing reionization with GRBs and quasars
- C7 – Is the low density IGM metal-enriched?
- C8 – Topology of the IGM at  $z = 2-3$
- C9 – Galaxy Formation and Evolution
- C10 – **Physics of High Redshift Galaxies**
- C11 – Gravitational Lensing
- C12 – Deep Galaxy Studies at  $z = 2.5$



# Resolved Stellar Populations in Galaxies

## Study of stellar populations in the Local Group and beyond

- ⦿ Detailed stellar populations
- ⦿ Reconstruction of the (merging) history
- ⦿ Constraints on Dark Matter content and distribution (e.g. dSphs)
- ⦿ Testing  $\Lambda$ CDM structure formation models
- ⦿ SDSS (SEGUE, APOGEE), VLT (FLAMES), RAVE (AAO), etc.



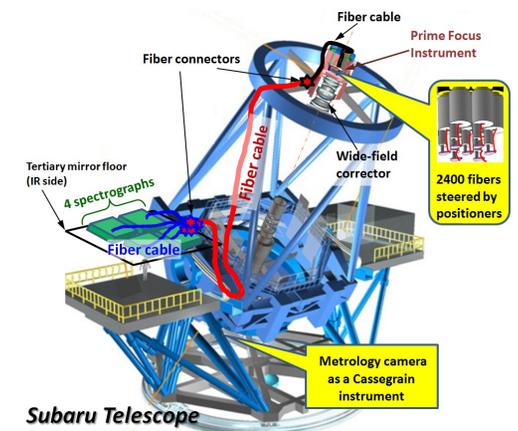
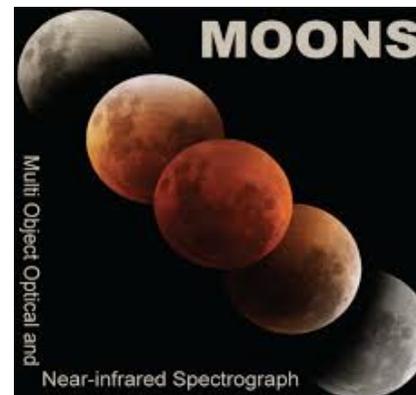
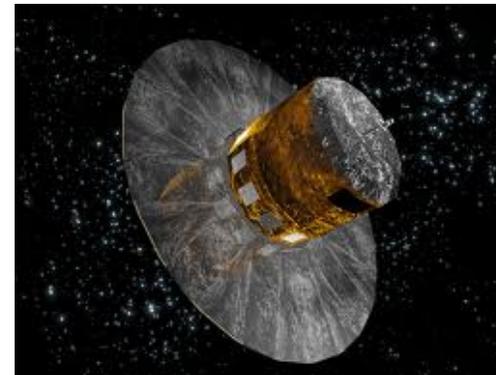


# Resolved Stellar Populations in Galaxies

**A bright future with SDSS (IV), Gaia, HERMES (AAO), PFS (Subaru), and several proposed instruments motivated by this science case : MOONS (in part), 4MOST (tbc), WEAVE (tbc), MESSIER@CNES, MS-DESI, etc.**

## What will the E-ELT do?

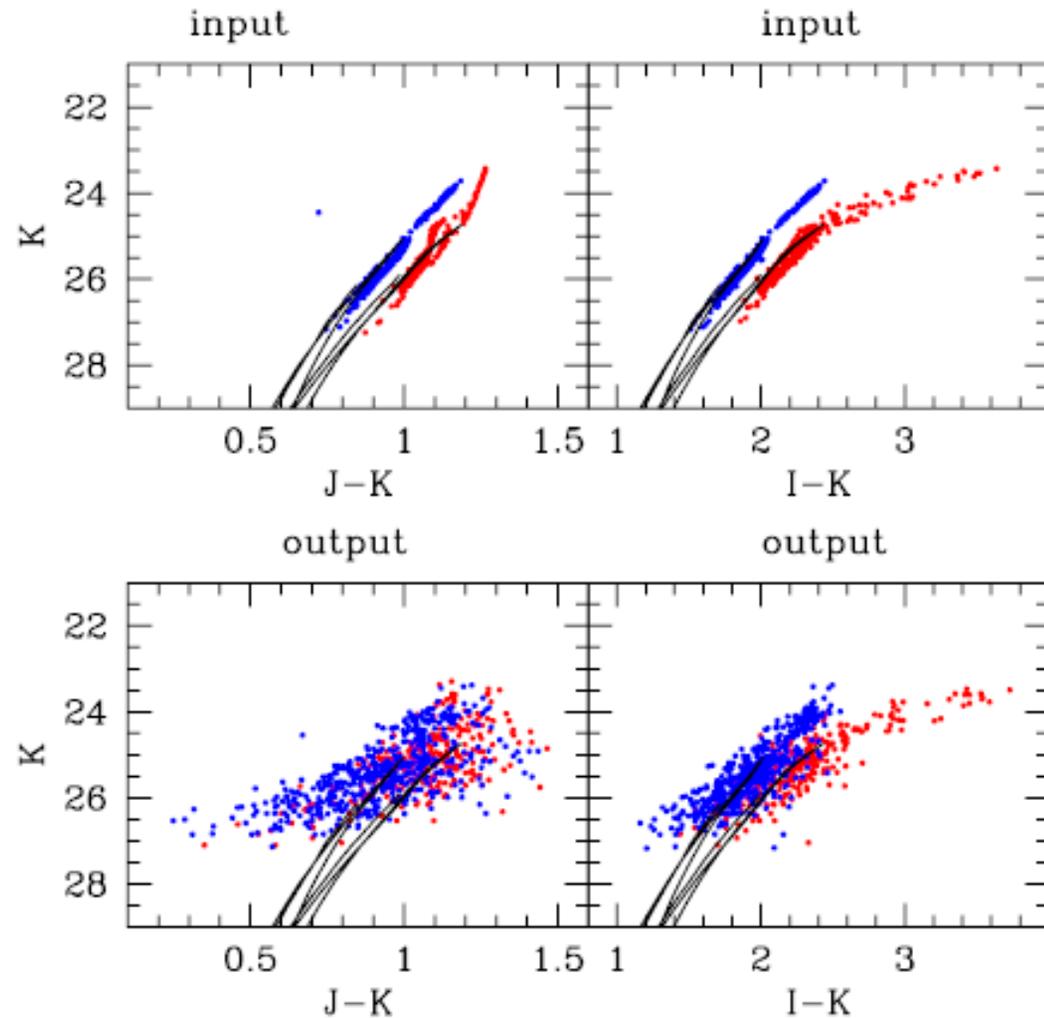
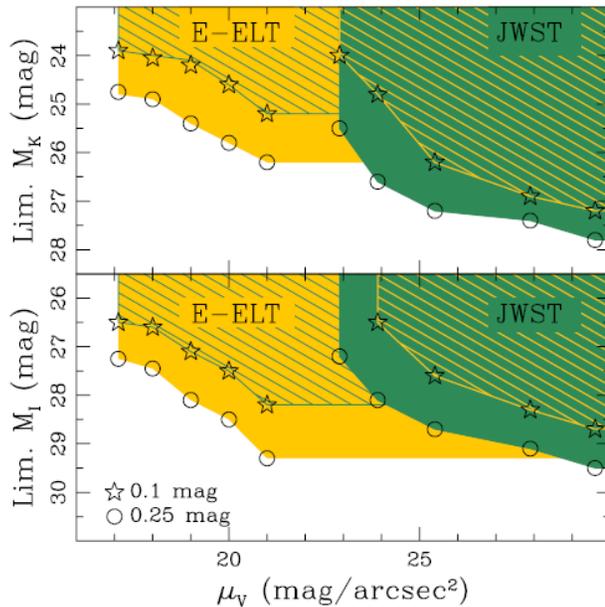
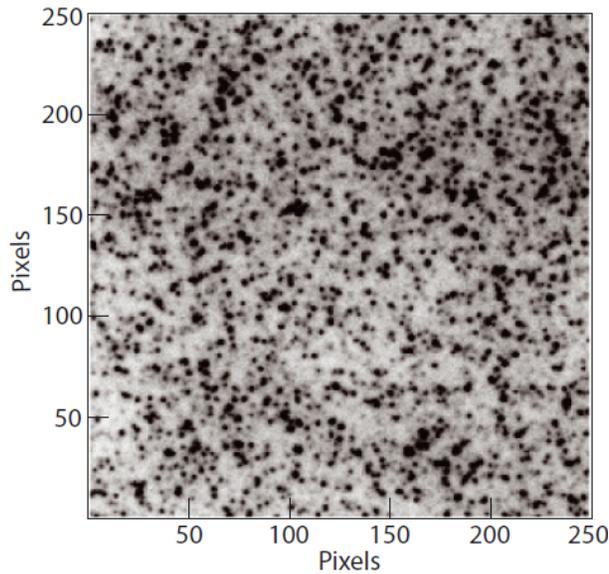
- ⦿ G4-1: The resolved stellar populations of elliptical galaxies (the holy grail)
  - High resolution imaging, out to the Virgo cluster (M87)
- ⦿ G4-2: The chemo-dynamical structure of galaxies
- ⦿ G4-3: First stars relics in the Milky Way and satellites





# The resolved stellar populations of elliptical galaxies

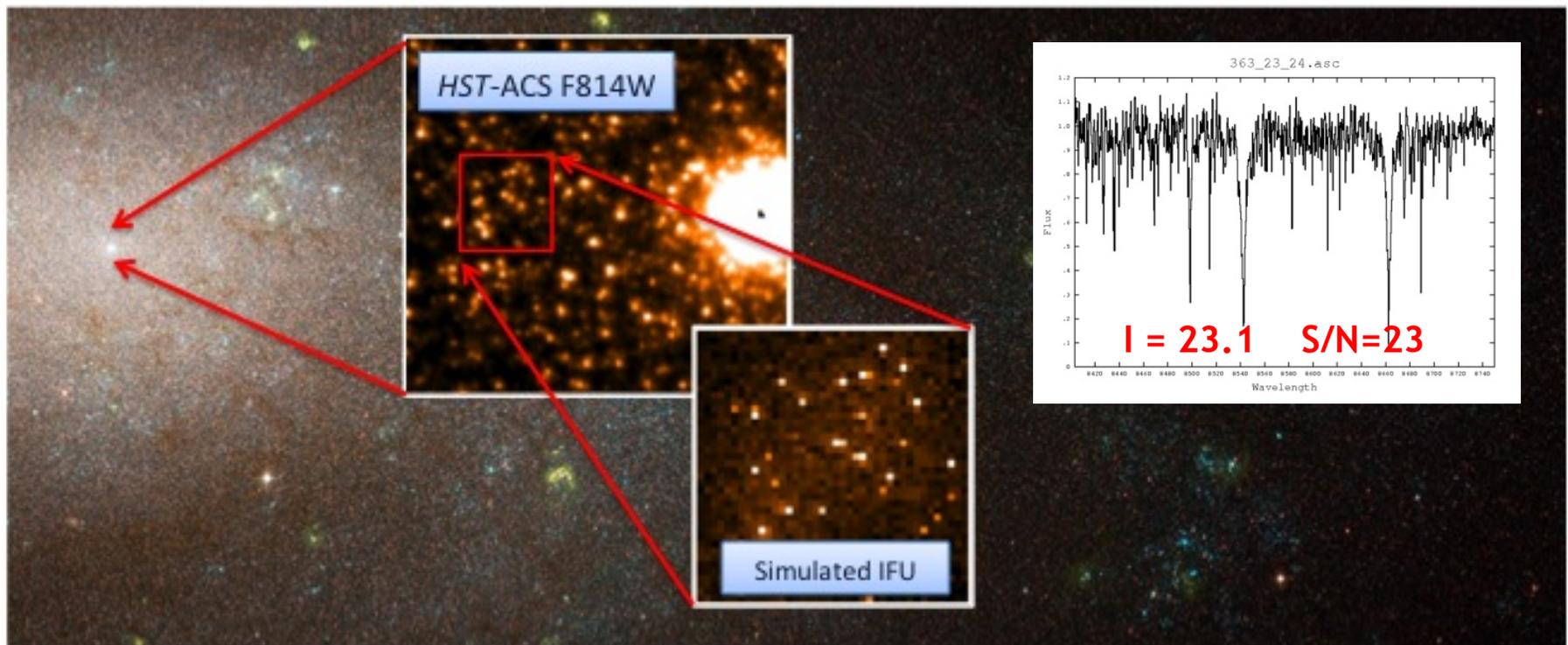
VIRGO (M87)



Deep et al., 2011



# Imaging & Spectroscopy of Resolved Stellar Populations in Galaxies



**Simulations of stellar spectra in a nearby galaxy at 2 Mpc**



# Resolved Stellar Populations in Galaxies: Main findings

## Imaging (ELT-CAM)

- Accurate colour-magnitude diagrams will be best constructed in the I and H bands
- For Cen A it will be possible to probe the horizontal branch with an accuracy of 0.05 mag all the way into the central parts of the galaxy
- For M87 in the Virgo cluster the E-ELT will be able to probe the tip of the red giant branch with 0.05 mag accuracy all the way into the very dense central parts of the galaxy

## Spectroscopy (ELT-IFU, ELT-MOS)

- Out to 4 Mpc (Cen A) accurate velocities ( $5 \text{ km.s}^{-1}$ ) can be derived for stars 0.5 mag below the tip of the RGB in 2 h at just 1 effective radius from the galaxy's centre.

## High Resolution Spectroscopy (ELT-HIRES / CODEX)

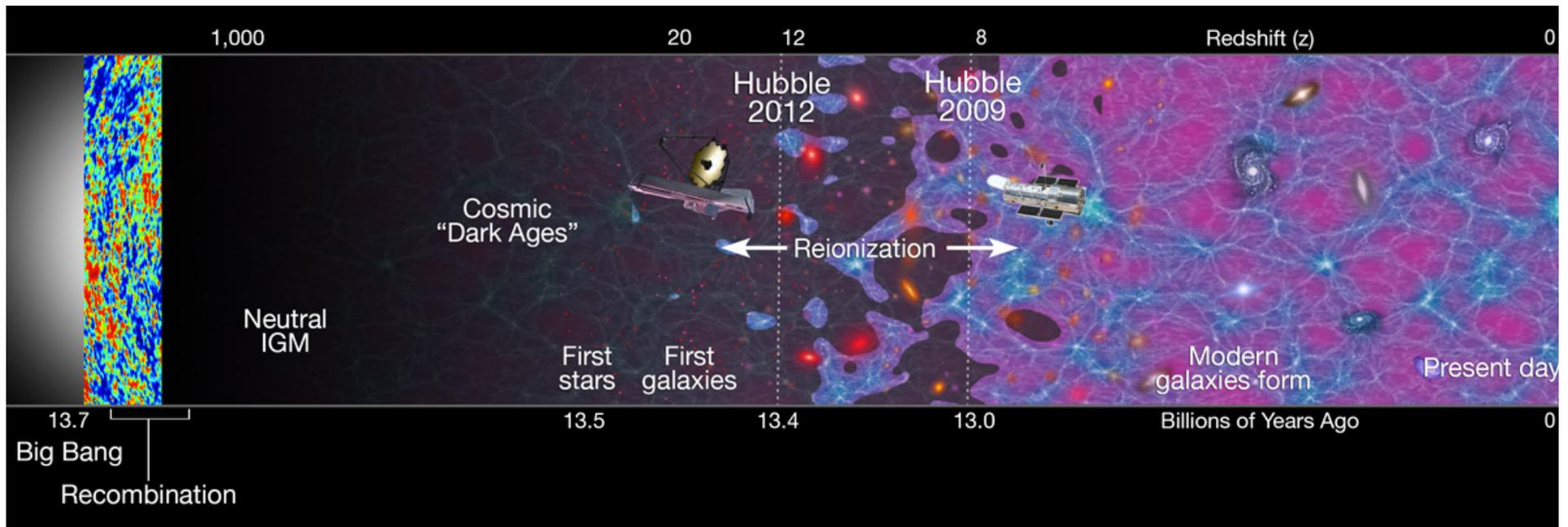
- The E-ELT will be able to provide a comprehensive survey of extremely metal poor candidate stars in the halo of the Milky Way and in nearby dwarf galaxies



# Physics of High Redshift Galaxies

## First light - The Highest Redshift Galaxies

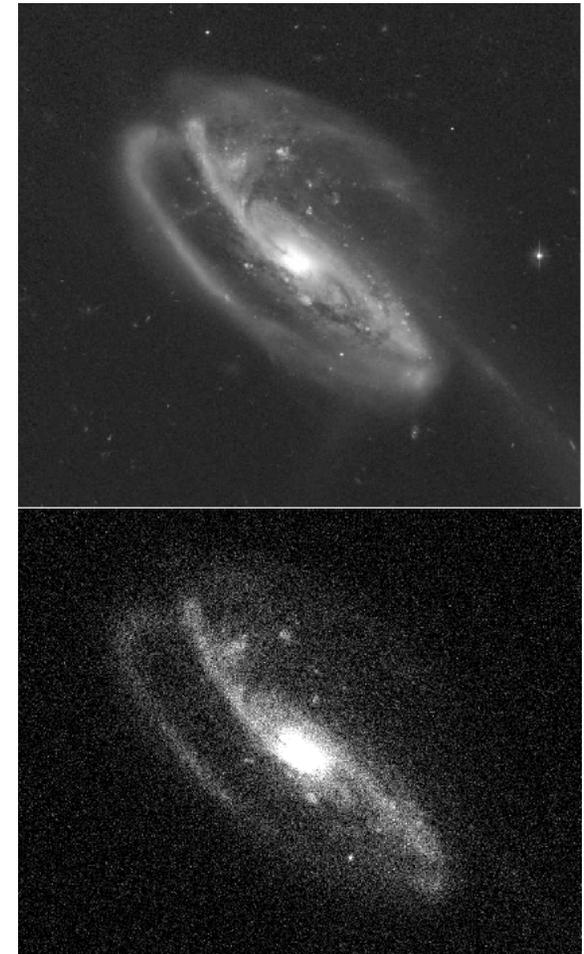
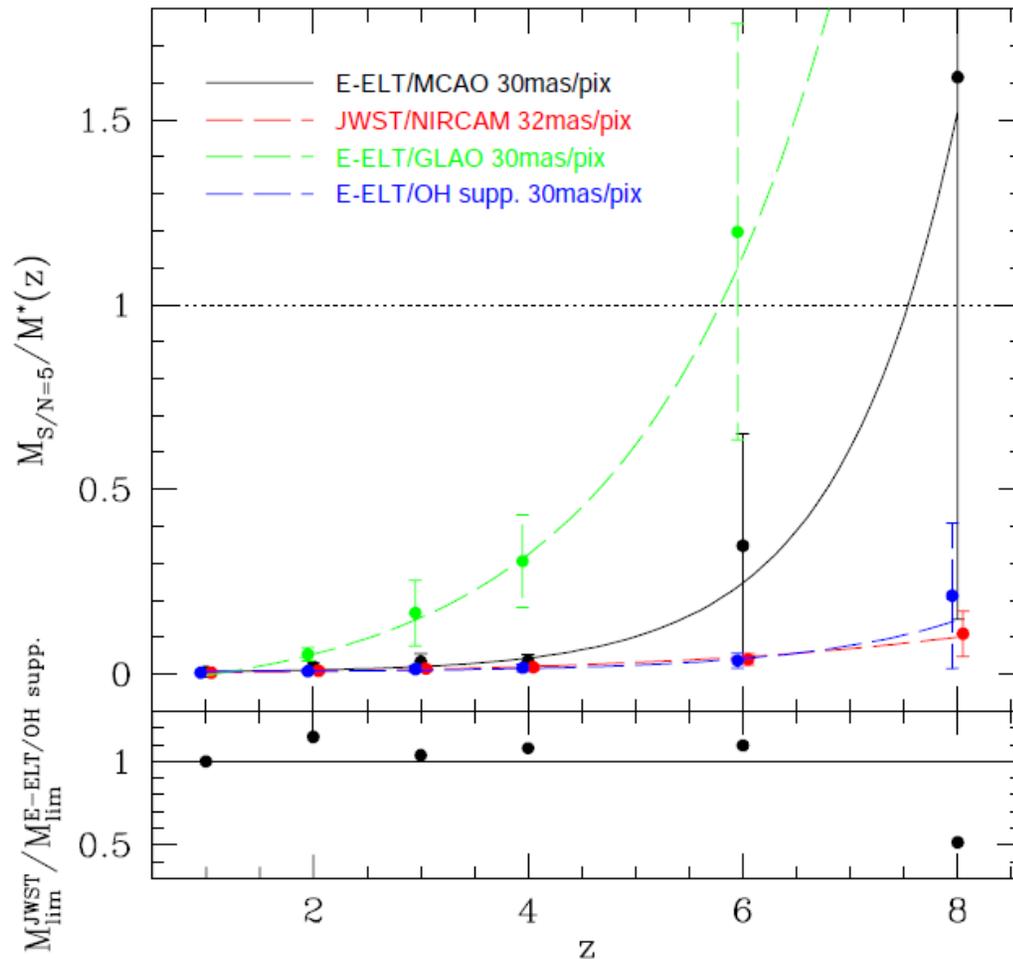
**Galaxy evolution out to  $z \sim 6$  and study of the highest redshift galaxies into the reionization epoch**





# Physics of High Redshift Galaxies

Mass limit (relative to  $M^*$ ) vs.  $z$  at SNR = 5

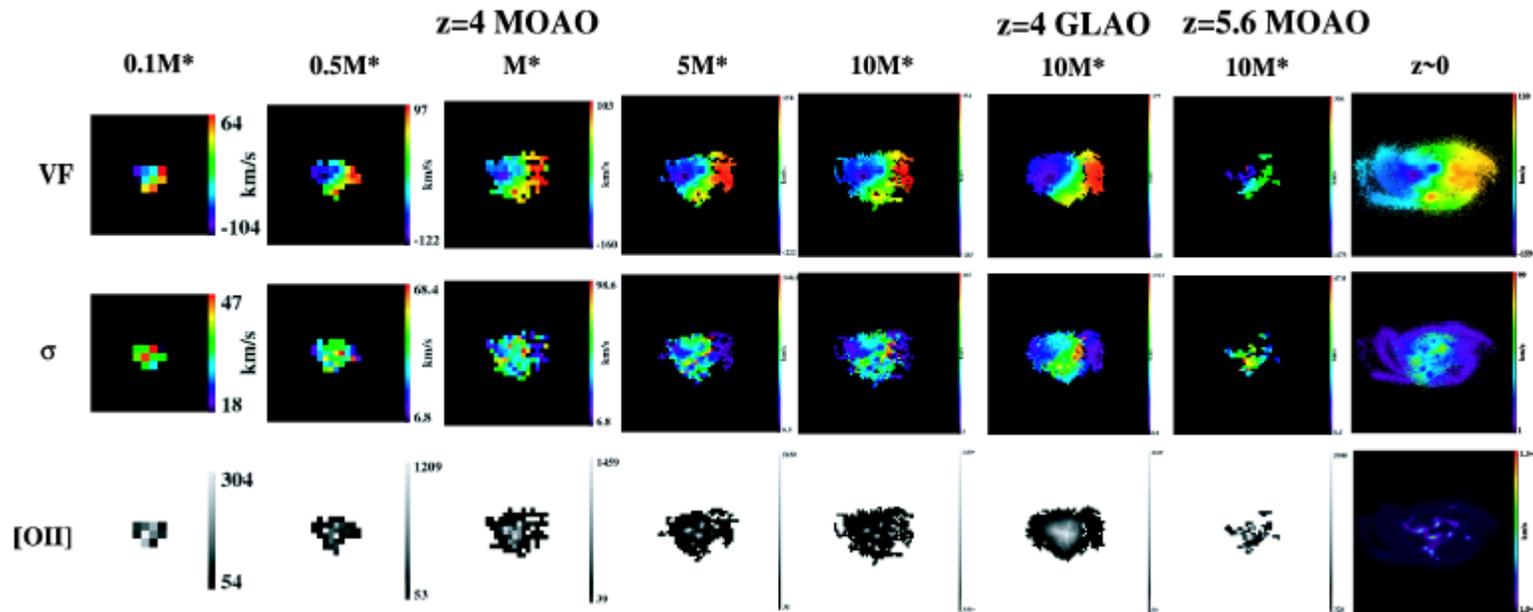


$z = 1 M^*$  galaxy at the E-ELT DL - H band

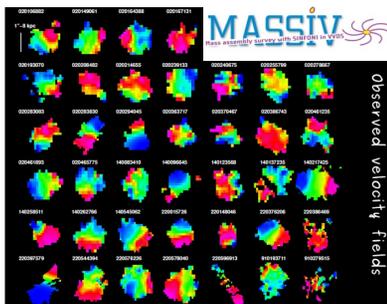


# Physics of High Redshift Galaxies

## Simulations of clumpy discs at $z = 4$ using MOAO



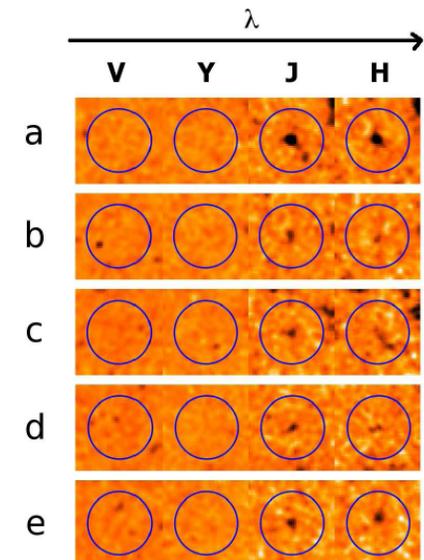
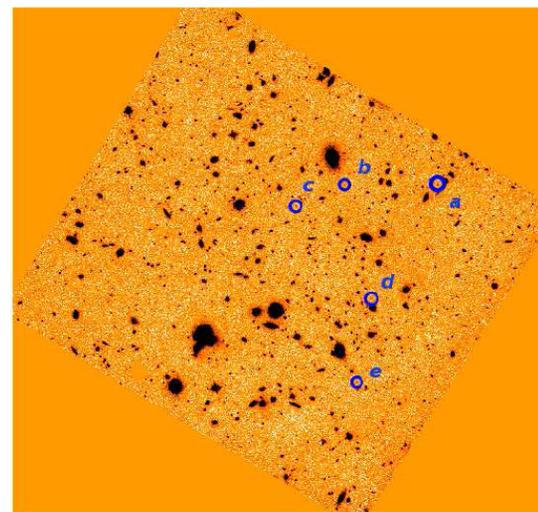
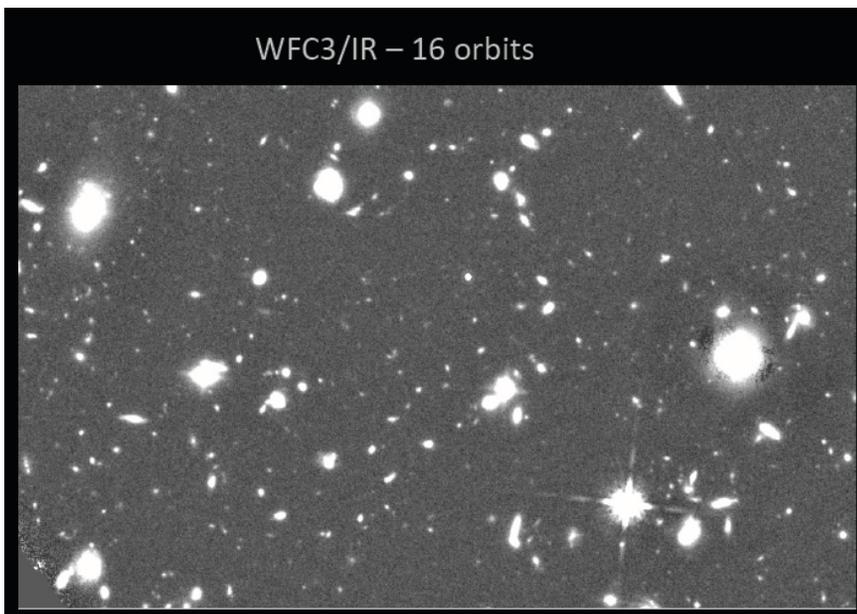
Puech et al., 2011





# First light - The Highest Redshift Galaxies

Major progress since the installation of WFC3 on board HST in 2009. Basic information (LFs, sizes, etc.) available for simulating the E-ELT performance

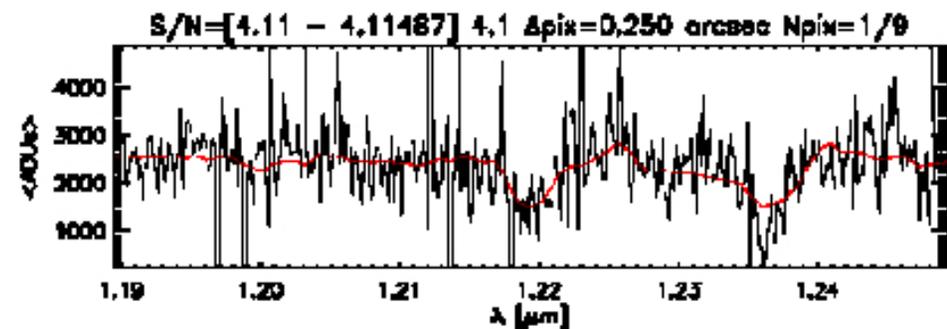
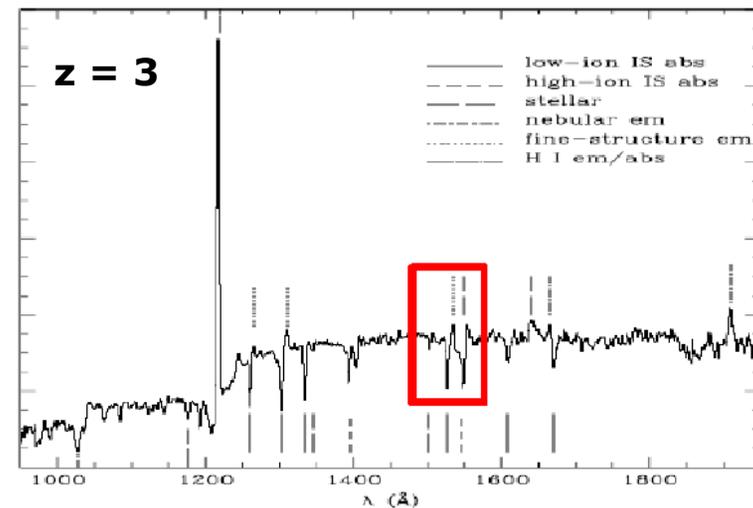
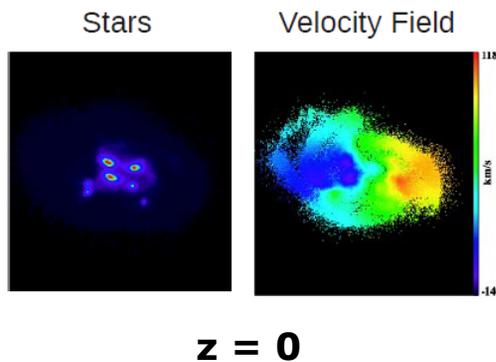




# First light - The Highest Redshift Galaxies

## UV interstellar lines

Simulation for an AB=27 galaxy at  $z \sim 7$





# High Redshift Galaxies: Main Findings

## Imaging (ELT-CAM)

- The E-ELT will be able to provide useful diffraction limited images of  $M^*$  galaxies up to a redshift of 2.5, resolving them into clumps.
- At higher redshifts it will be necessary to give up diffraction limited resolution.
- Highest redshifts: the realm of JWST

## Spectroscopy (ELT-IFU, ELT-MOS)

- Measure [O II] emission line from  $M_{\times}$  galaxies up to a redshift of  $\sim 5$  in  $\sim 25$  hrs.
- It will be possible to distinguish between rotating disks and major mergers down to a limiting stellar mass of  $0.5 M_{\times}$  out to  $z = 4$ .
- Full rotation curves of  $M_{\times}$  galaxies out to  $z = 2$
- The E-ELT will be able to measure UV instellar lines on  $HAB > 27$  galaxies at redshifts  $> 7$  in  $\sim 40$  hrs (a few tens of such galaxies in any single E-ELT field)

## High Resolution Spectroscopy (ELT-HIRES)

- IGM Tomography
- Probing reionization with GRBs and quasars



## Conclusions and final remarks

**Resolved stellar populations and high-redshift galaxies have been highlight science cases for the ELTs since their inception. An ELT-MOS will be a key instrument for these studies**

### **Resolved stellar populations**

- Major advances expected in the next decade from Gaia and planned surveys
- E-ELT will extend these studies to beyond the Local Group and out to Virgo

### **High Redshift Galaxies**

- ALMA, LOFAR, SKA precursors and later Euclid will considerably change the landscape on high redshift galaxies and reionization
- The main science case for JWST
- Presumably, the same paradigm as for HST and 8-m telescopes will apply: imaging from space, spectroscopy from the ground (between OH lines)
- Strong competition from TMT : the two first light E-ELT instruments (ELT-CAM and ELT-IFU) represent less than 1/2 the scientific capabilities provided by the TMT first generation instruments

**A comprehensive E-ELT instrumentation plan is urgently needed including specifications and schedules for ELT-MOS and ELT-HIRES**