

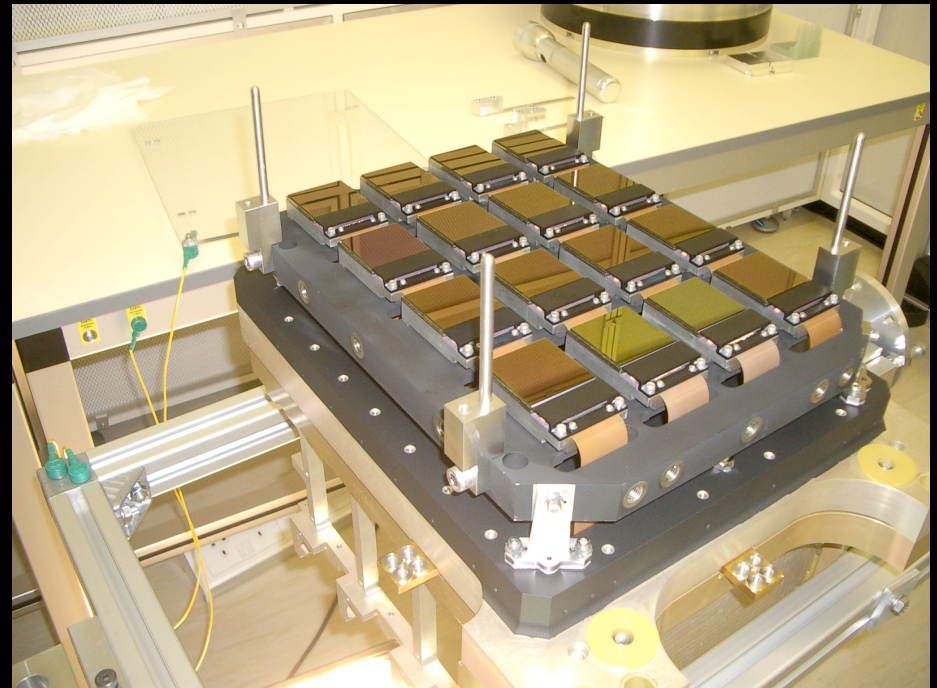
# UltraVISTA

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VISTA: Paranal, Chile

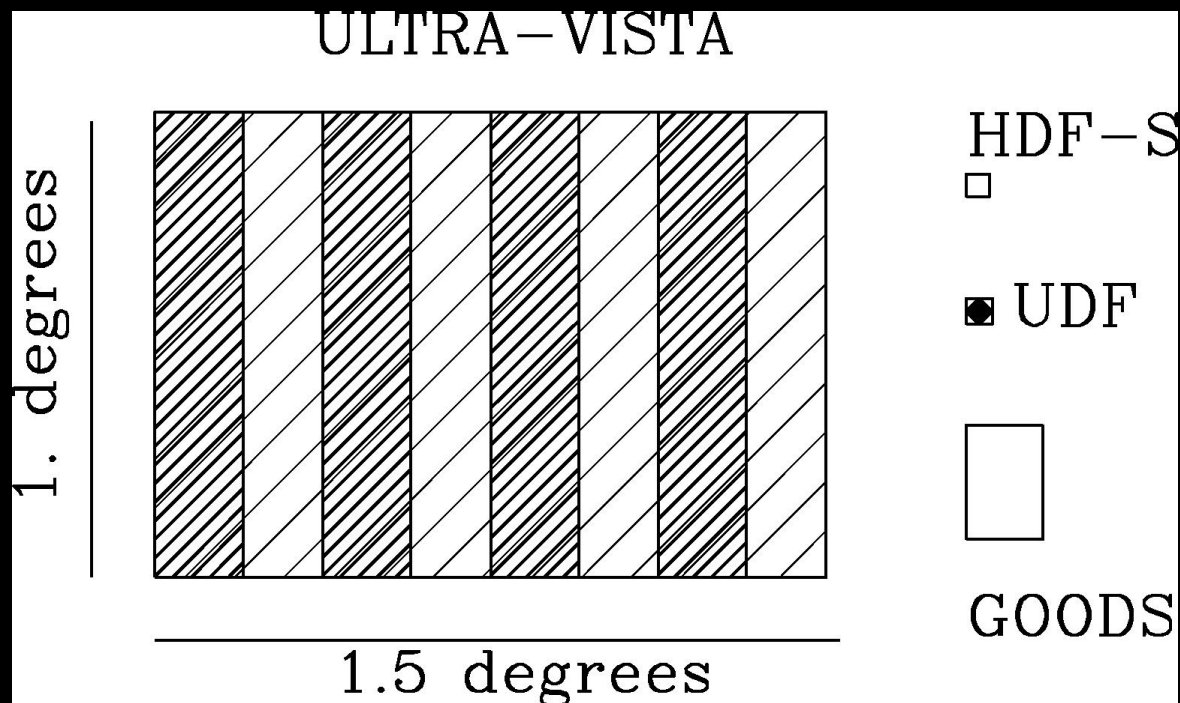


VIRCAM: 67 Mega pixels ( $1.5 \text{ deg}^2$ )

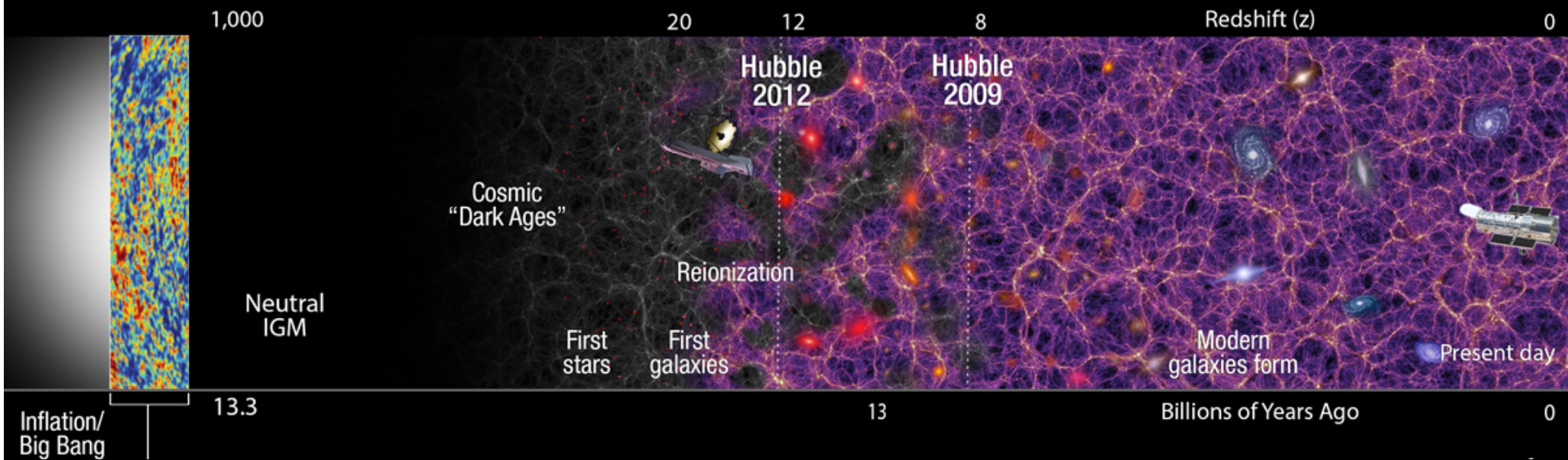
~ 3-4 times more efficient than any other current near-infrared camera

# UltraVISTA – planned as deepest public survey with VISTA

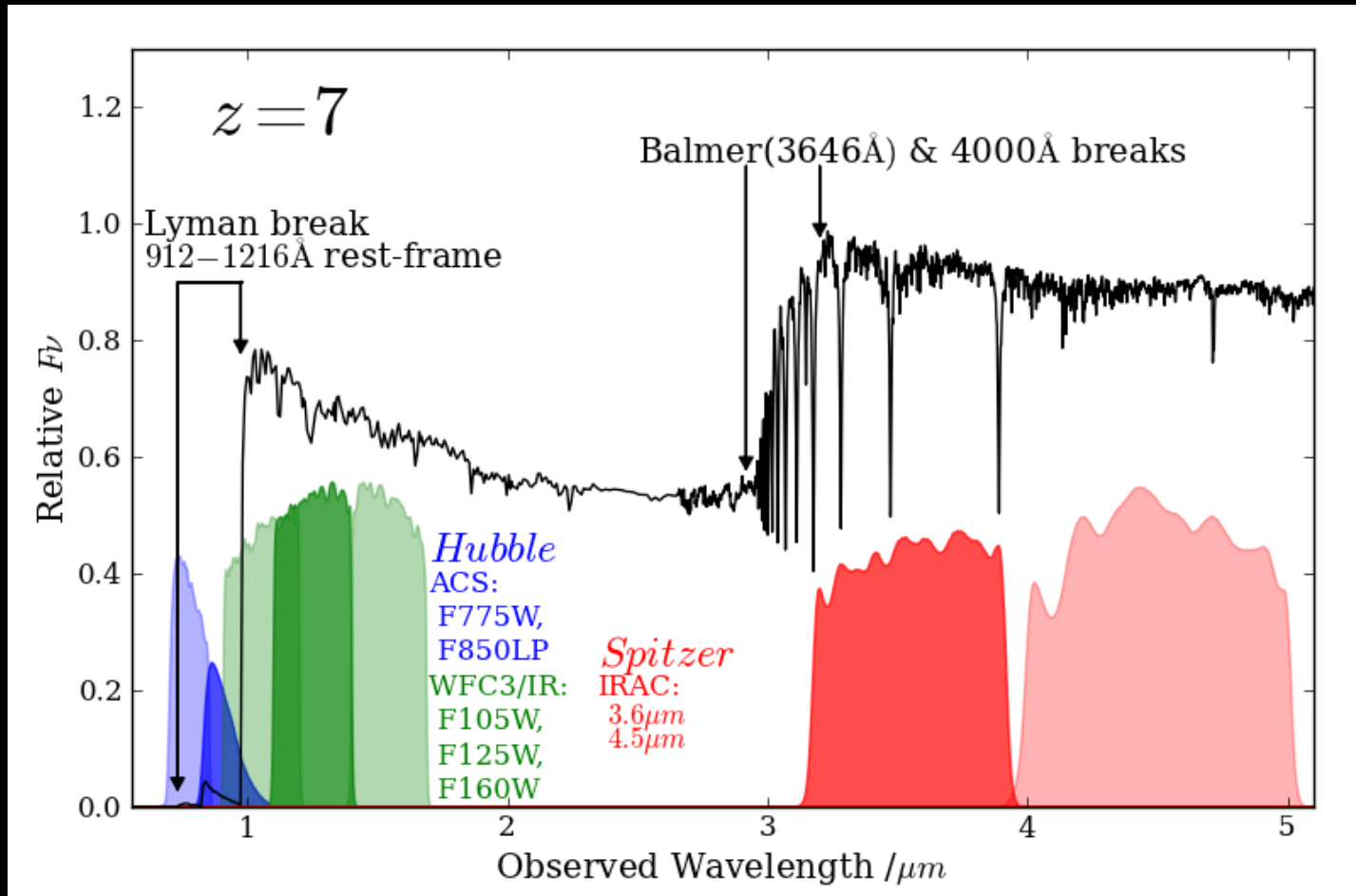
- PIs **Dunlop, Franx, Le Fevre, Fynbo**
- DEEP - 0.73 sq. deg., **Y=26.7, J=26.6, H=26.1, K=25.6** (1408 hr)
- WIDE – 1.50 sq. deg., **Y=25.3, J=25.2, H=24.7, K=24.2** ( 212 hr)
- Narrow-band survey, at **1.185 microns** ( **$z = 8.8$  for Lyman-alpha**) ( 180 hr)
- 1800 hours over 5 years – **started Jan 2010**



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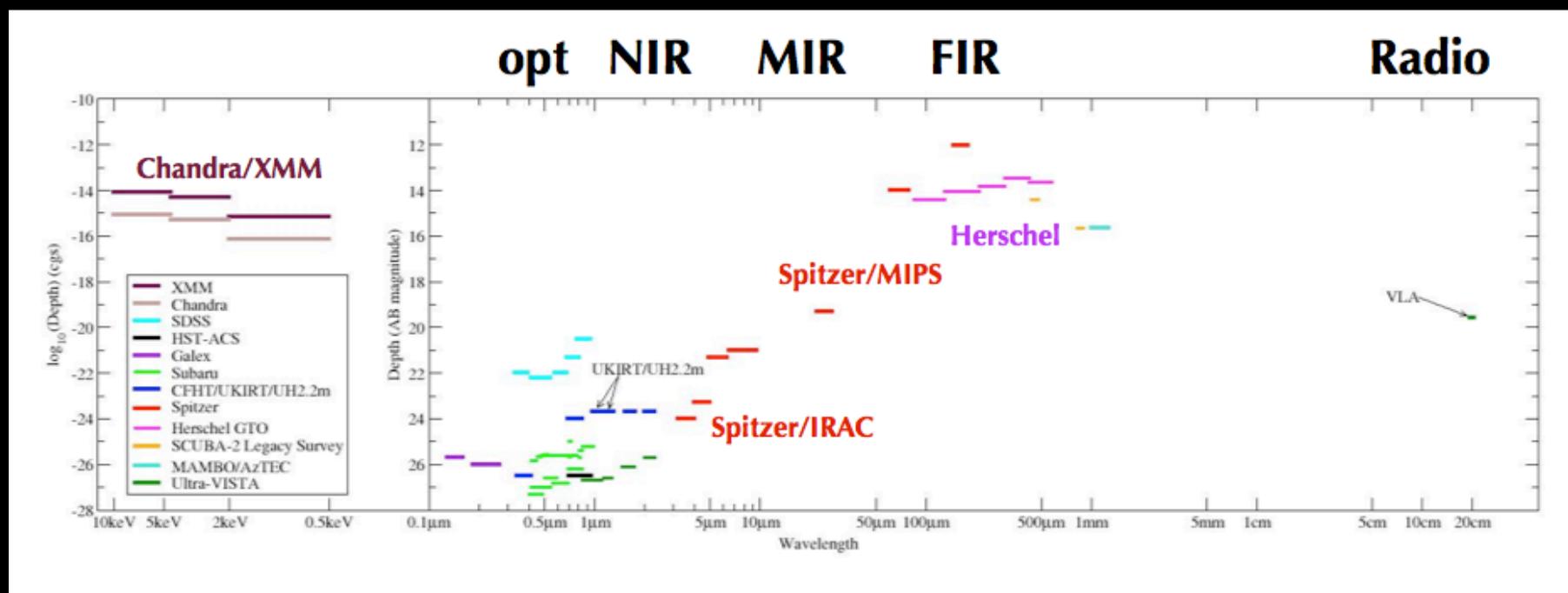
Deep **near-infrared** imaging is essential for studying rest-frame **UV**

Deep **near-infrared** imaging also essential for good photo-zs galaxy stellar mass estimation, and the study of dusty galaxies

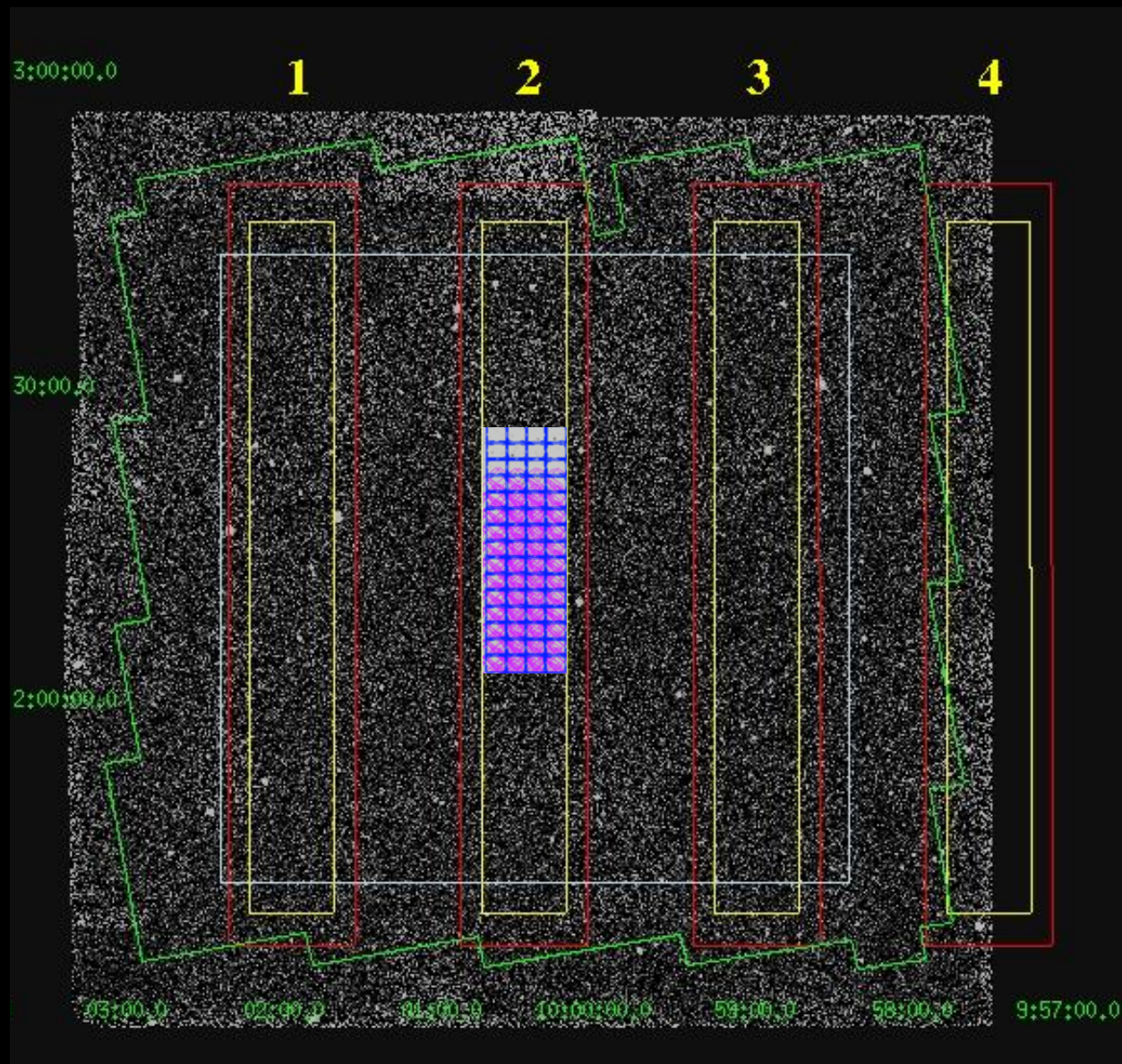
UltraVISTA is located in the COSMOS field, which has become the best degree-scale survey field in which to study galaxy formation and evolution

Broad-band and medium-band CFHTLS (D2), Subaru data, VLT, GALEX, Spitzer, Herschel, SCUBA2 (more than 25 imaging bands)

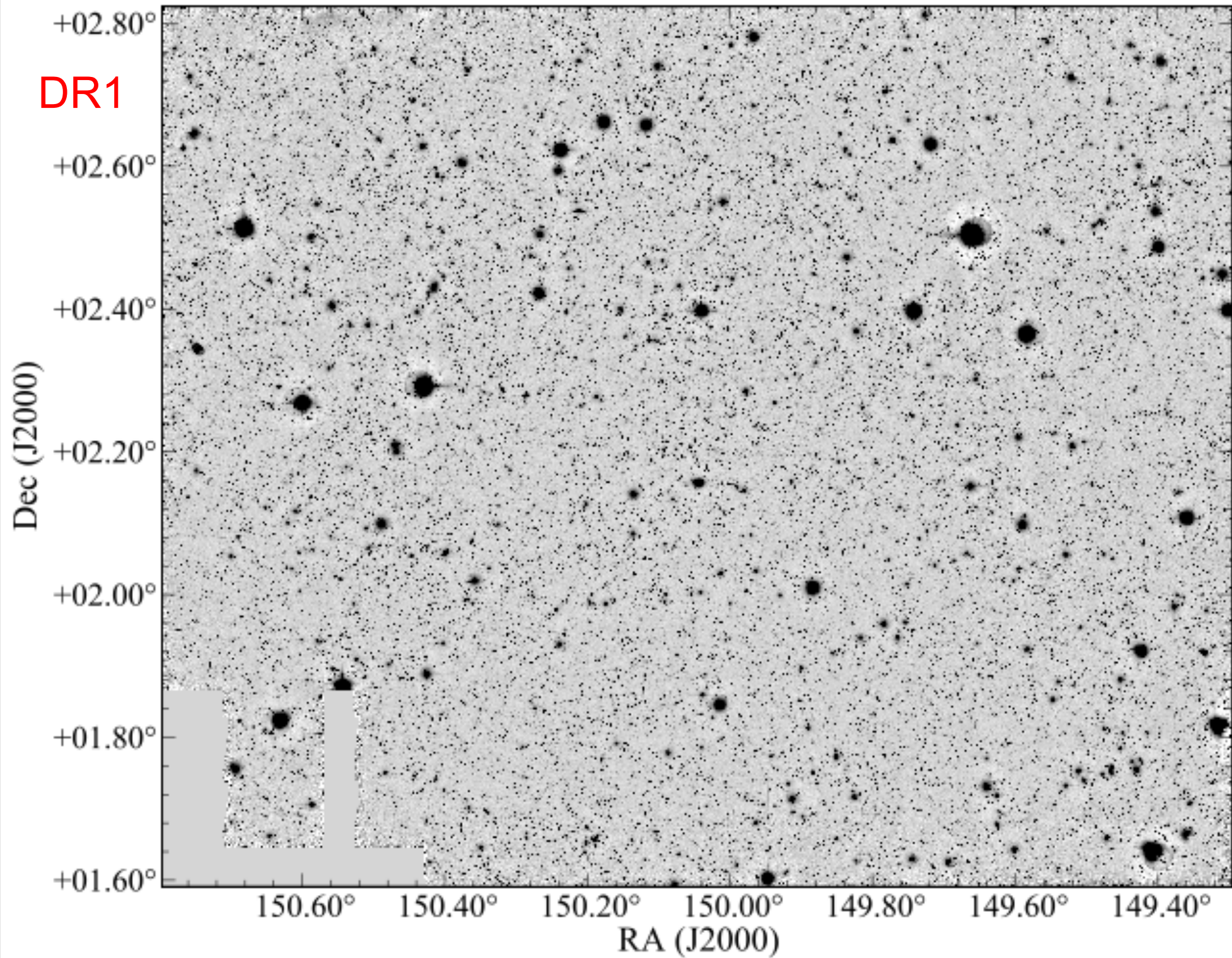
Also a unique and large zCOSMOS spectroscopic sample (the ideal laboratory in which to perfect photometric redshift techniques)



# UltraVISTA + CANDELS



DR1



# Data Release 1: UltraVISTA survey paper:

McCracken et al. 2012, A&A, 544, 156 (143 citations)

VISTA Stare

Treasure trove c  
21 March 2012



## Bad Astronomy

« Tennessee legislature boldly sets the science clocks back 150 years  
More M95 supernova news: progenitor found! »

### An ultradeep image that's *\*full\** of galaxies!

What happens when you take a monster 4.1 meter telescope in the southern hemisphere and point it at the same patch of sky for 55 hours?

This. Oh my, *this*:



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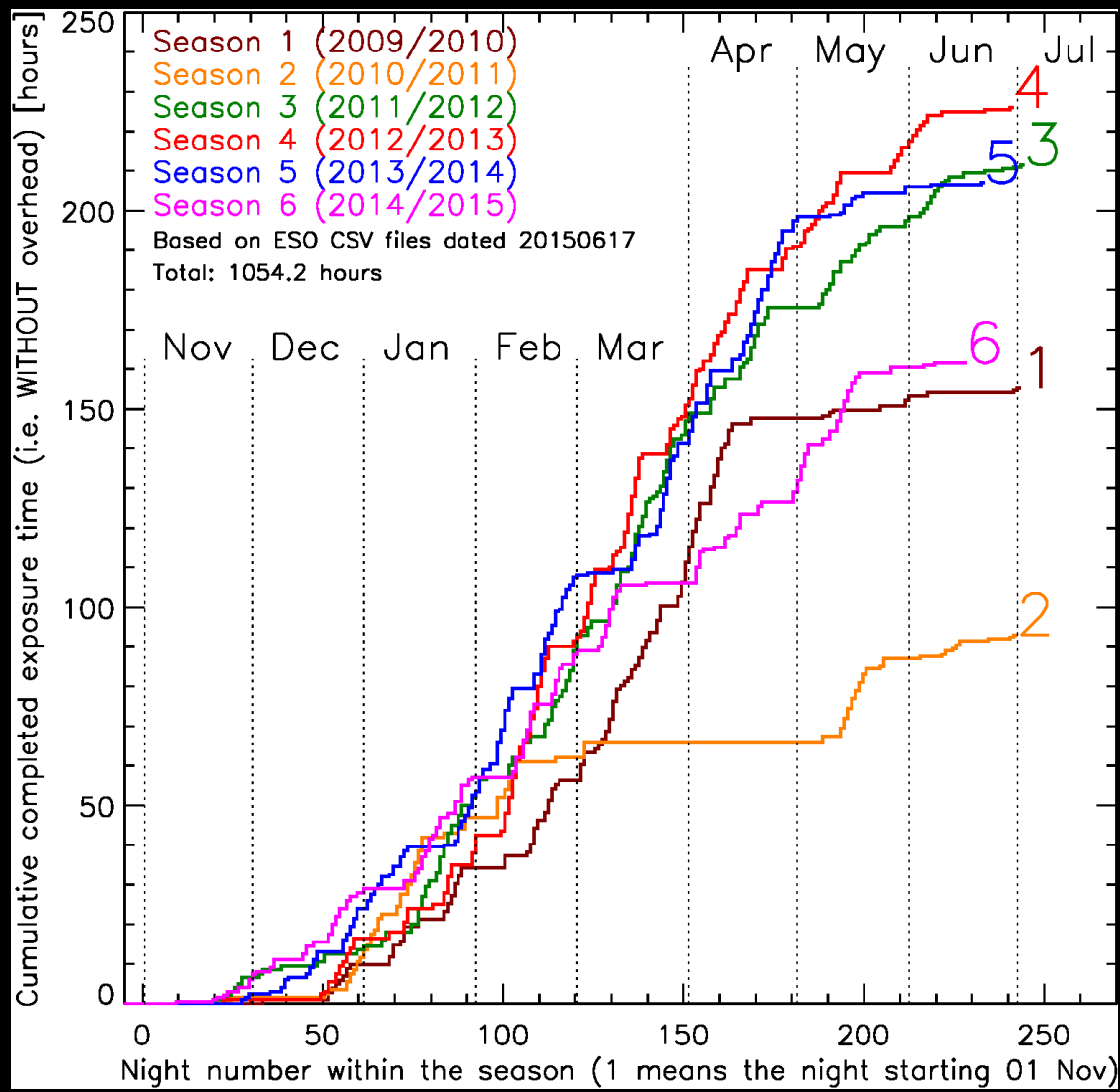


$K_s$  Deep – DR1

$K_s$  Ultra-Deep strip – DR2

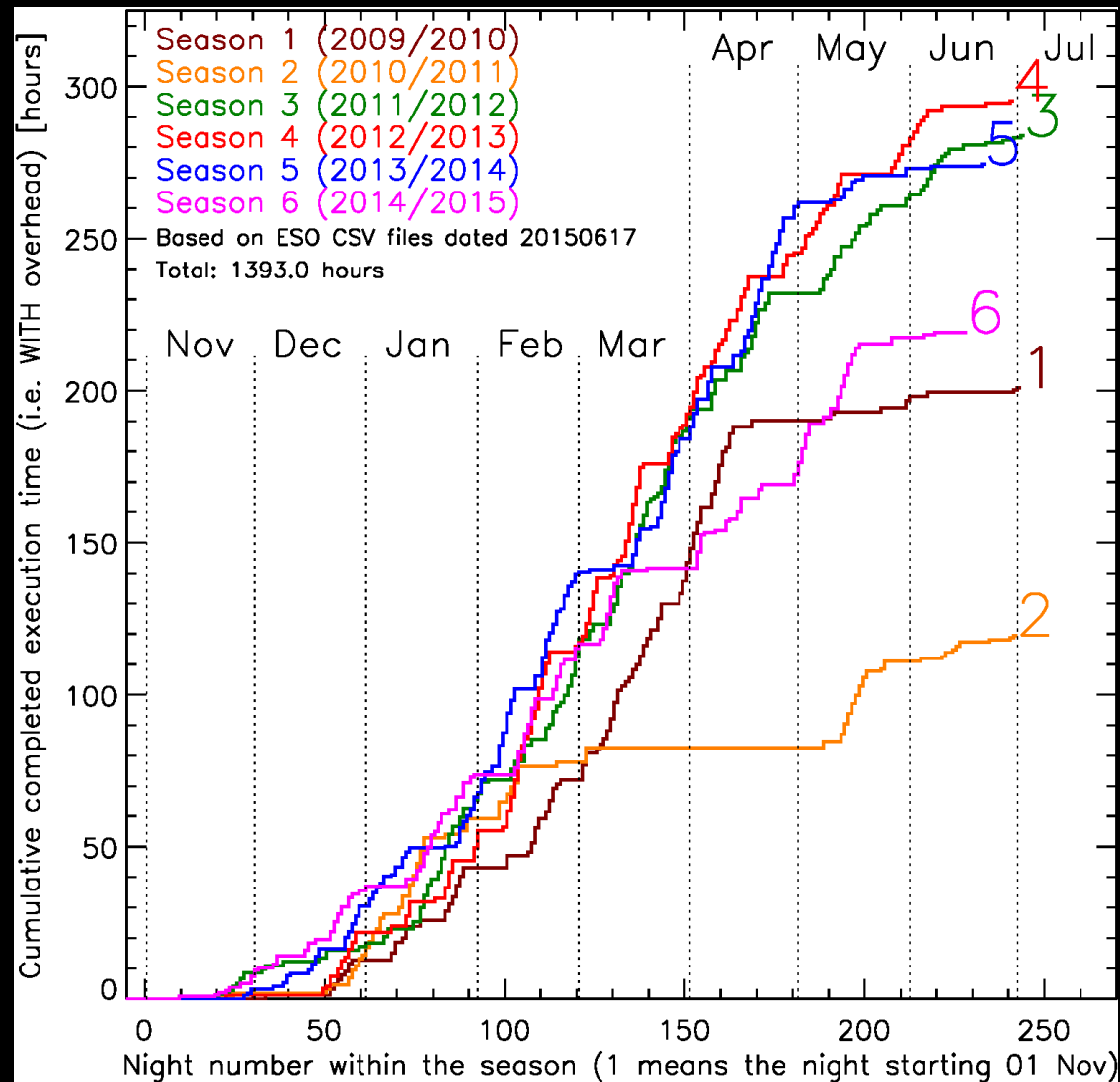


# Survey progress: exposure time



1054 hours  
/1642 awarded

# Survey progress: execution time



1393 hours  
/1800 awarded

# New UltraVISTA Data Release 3 (DR3)

DR3 contains all data taken between 5 December 2009 and July 2014, i.e. seasons 1 through 5

39944 images, 1147 Obs, 890 hours of exposure

DR3 now goes much deeper on the ultra-deep strips:

Y	J	H	K <sub>s</sub>	NB
26.1	25.8	25.5	25.3	24.5

Over 0.73 deg<sup>2</sup>

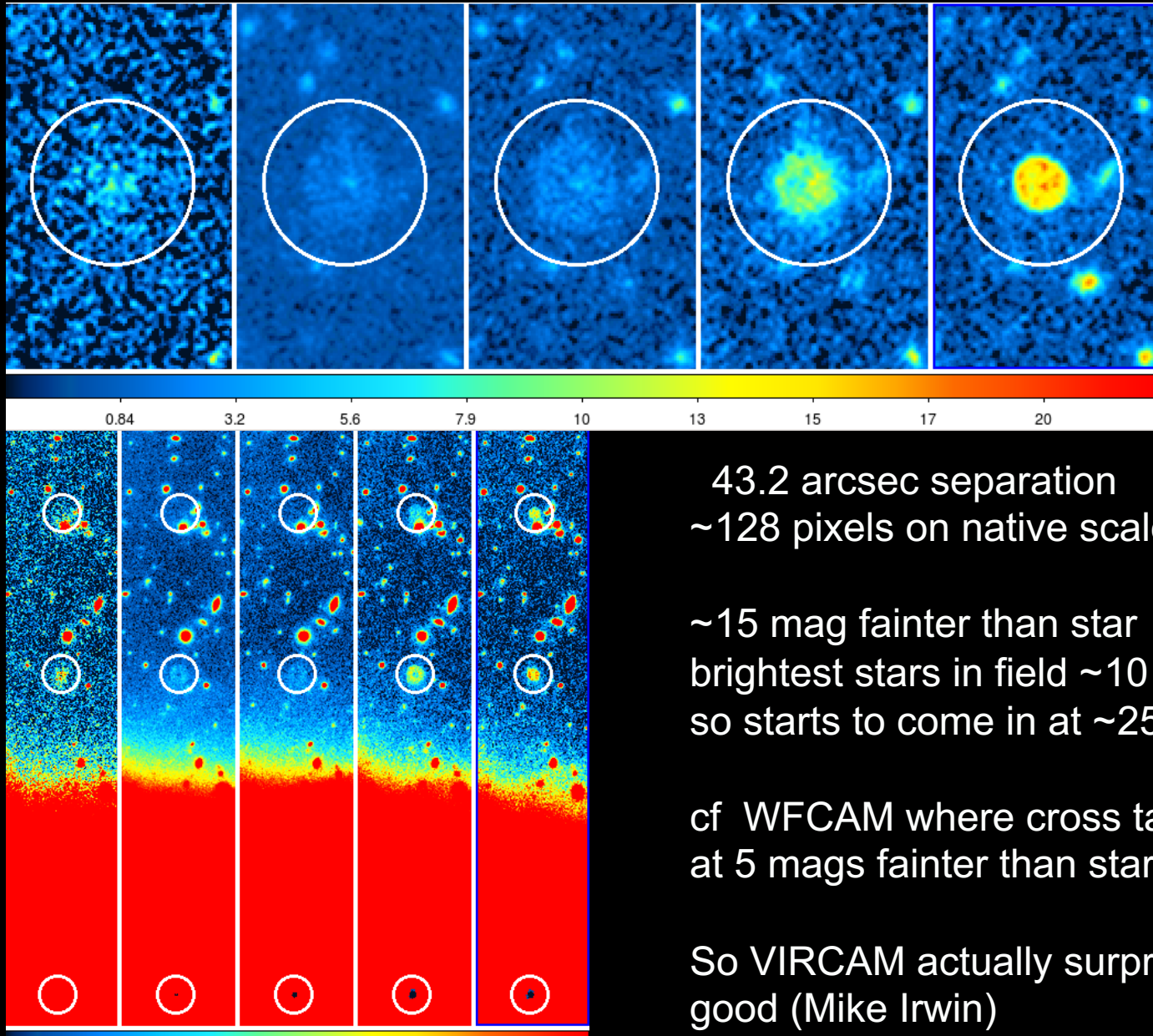
AB mag, 1.8 arcsec diameter apertures, 5-sigma

Seeing FWHM ~ 0.75 arcsec

# Y+J+K colour zoom in a DR3 deep strip



# Cross talk.....



43.2 arcsec separation  
~128 pixels on native scale

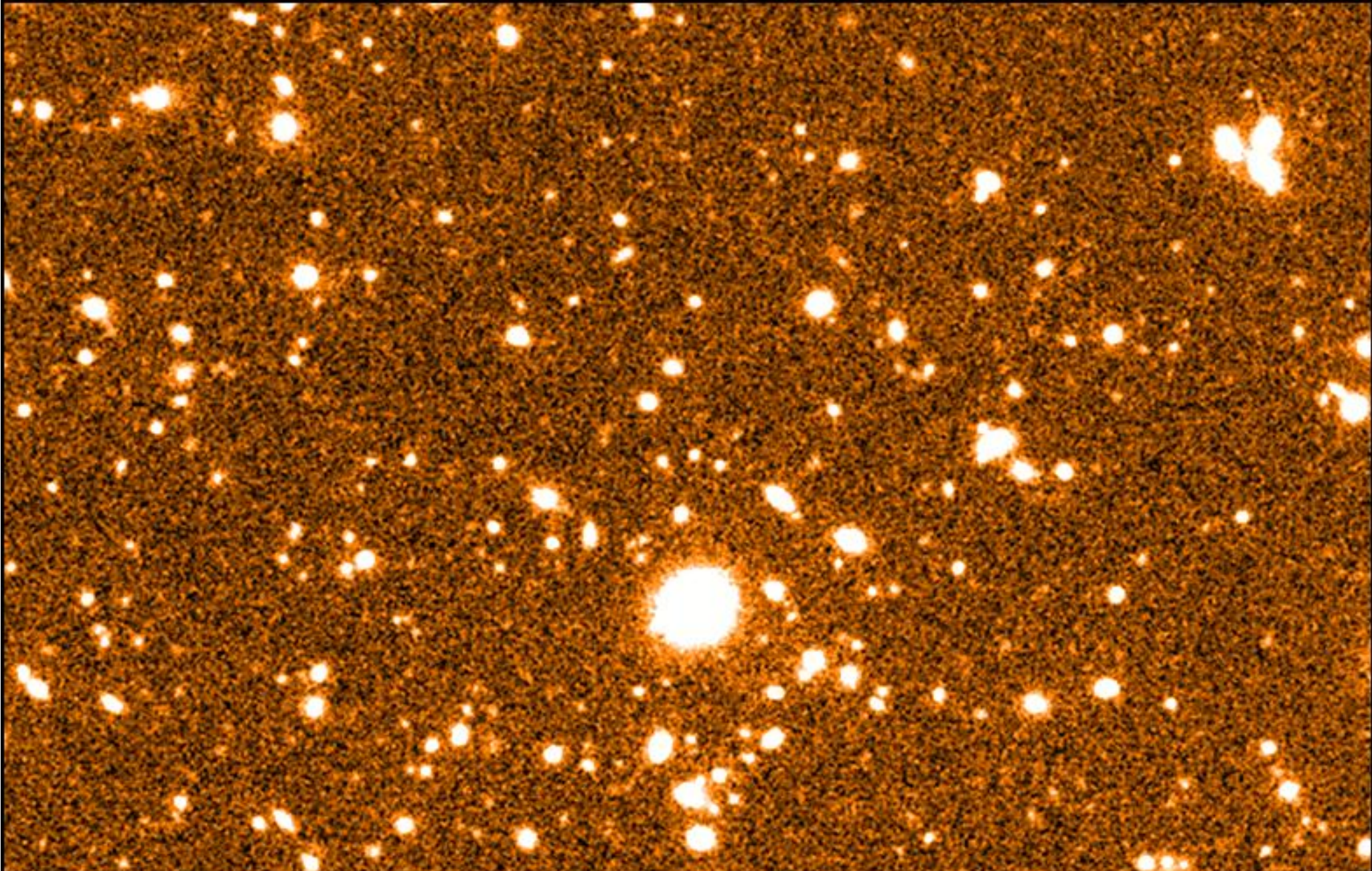
~15 mag fainter than star  
brightest stars in field ~10 mag,  
so starts to come in at ~25 mag !

cf WFCAM where cross talk was  
at 5 mags fainter than star

So VIRCAM actually surprisingly  
good (Mike Irwin)

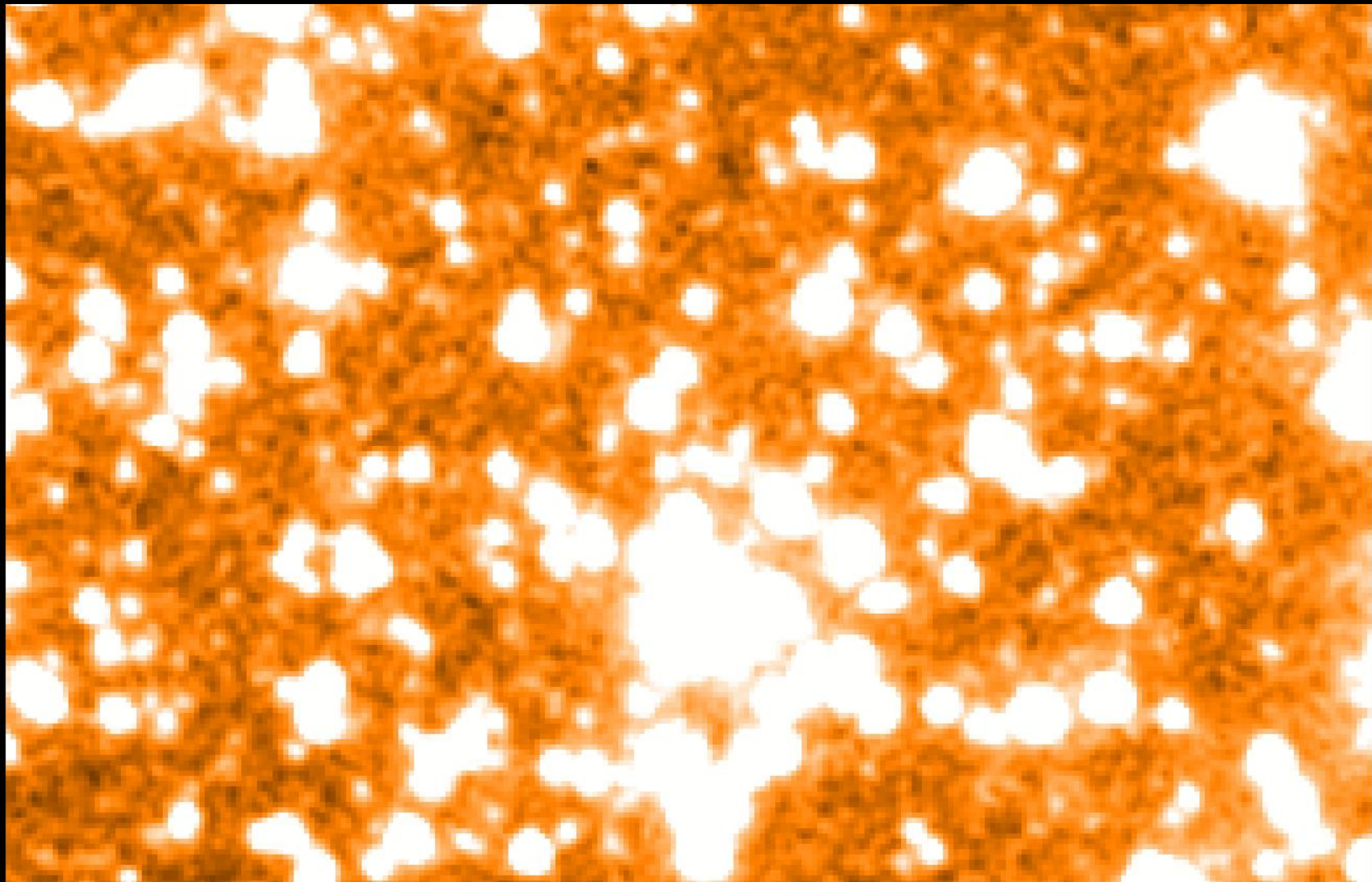
Seasons 6 and 7 – complementing SPLASH

UVISTA DR2  $K_s$ -band

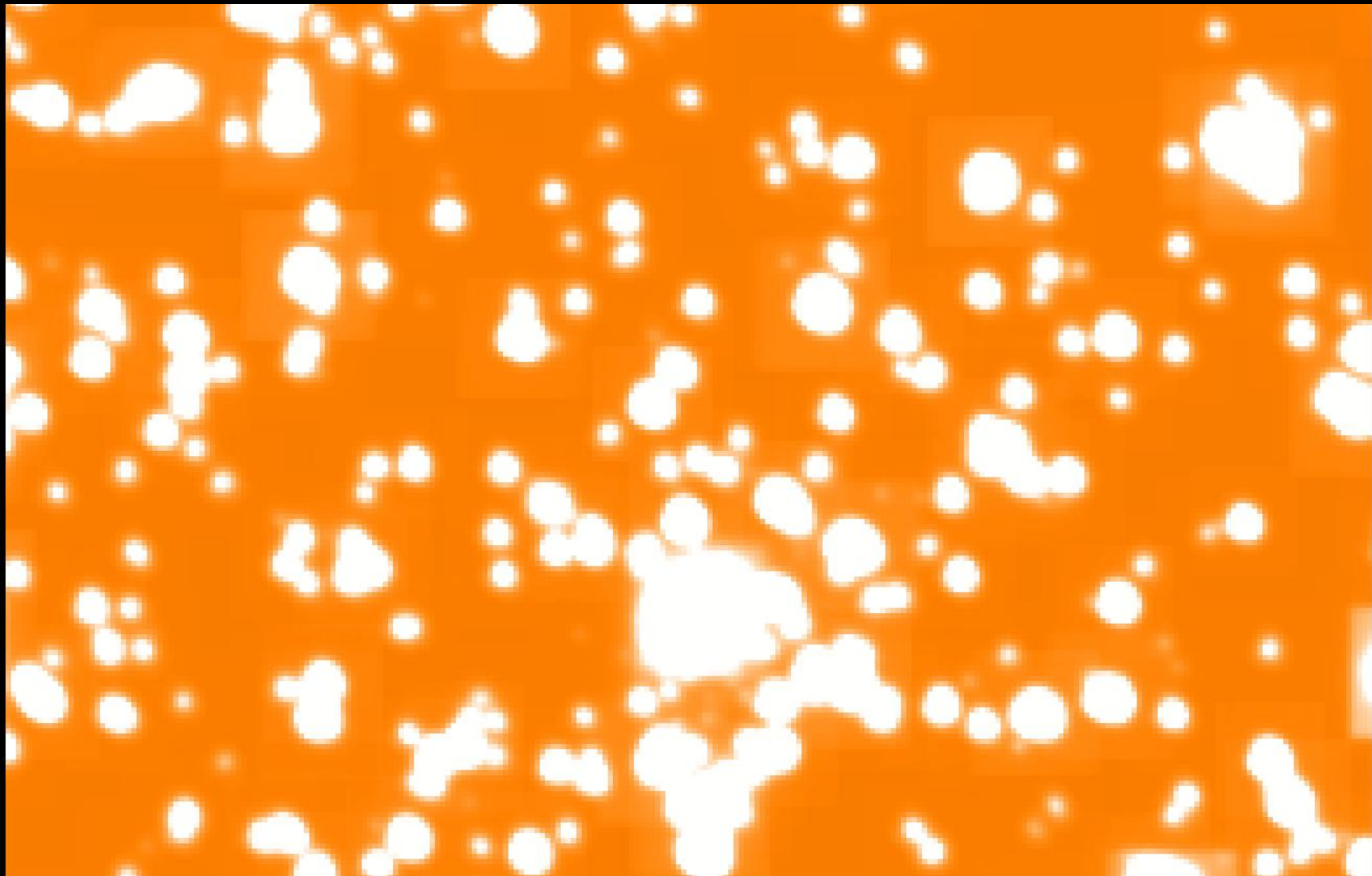




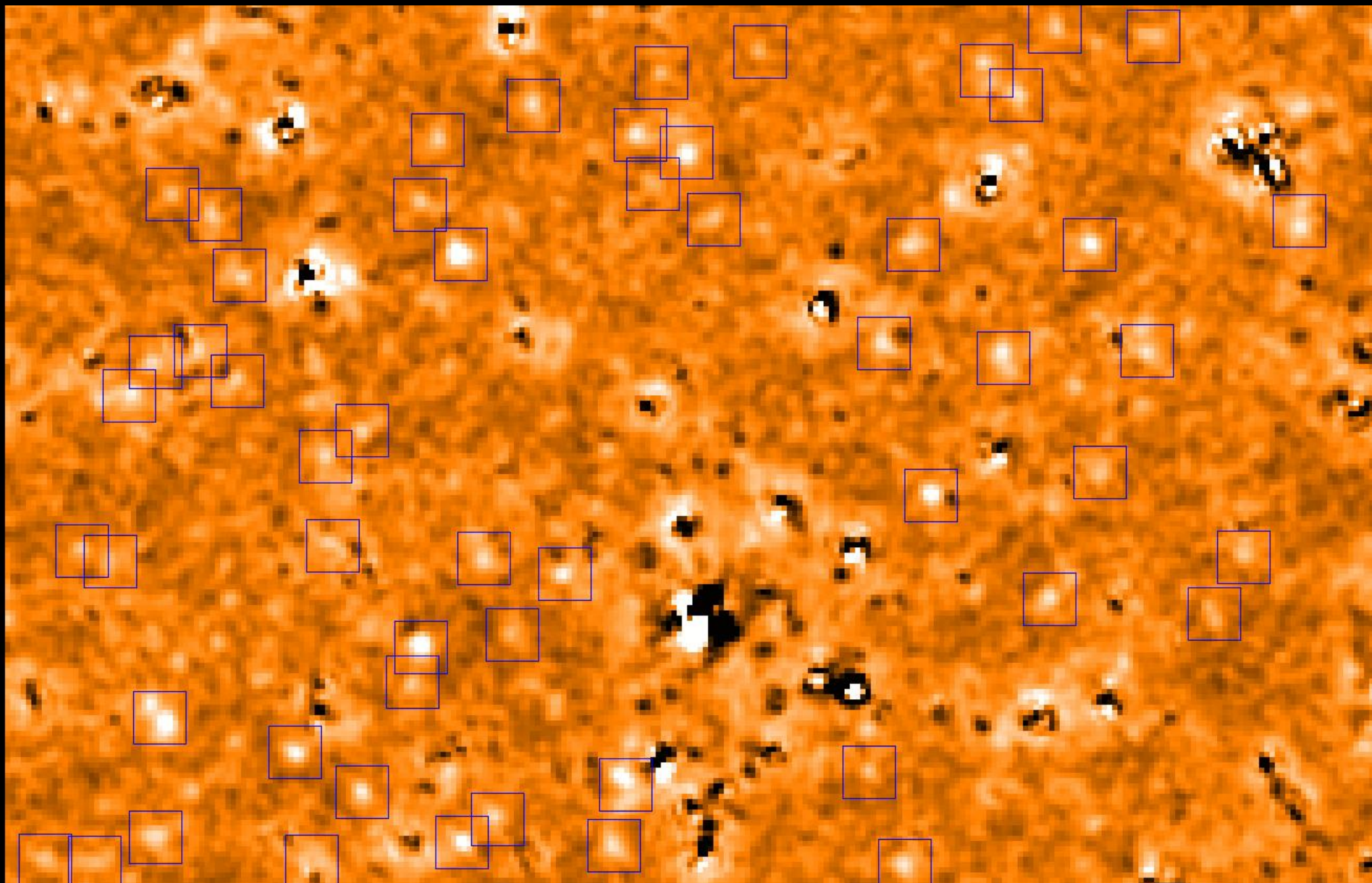
SPLASH 3.6 $\mu$ m data (10hrs per pixel)



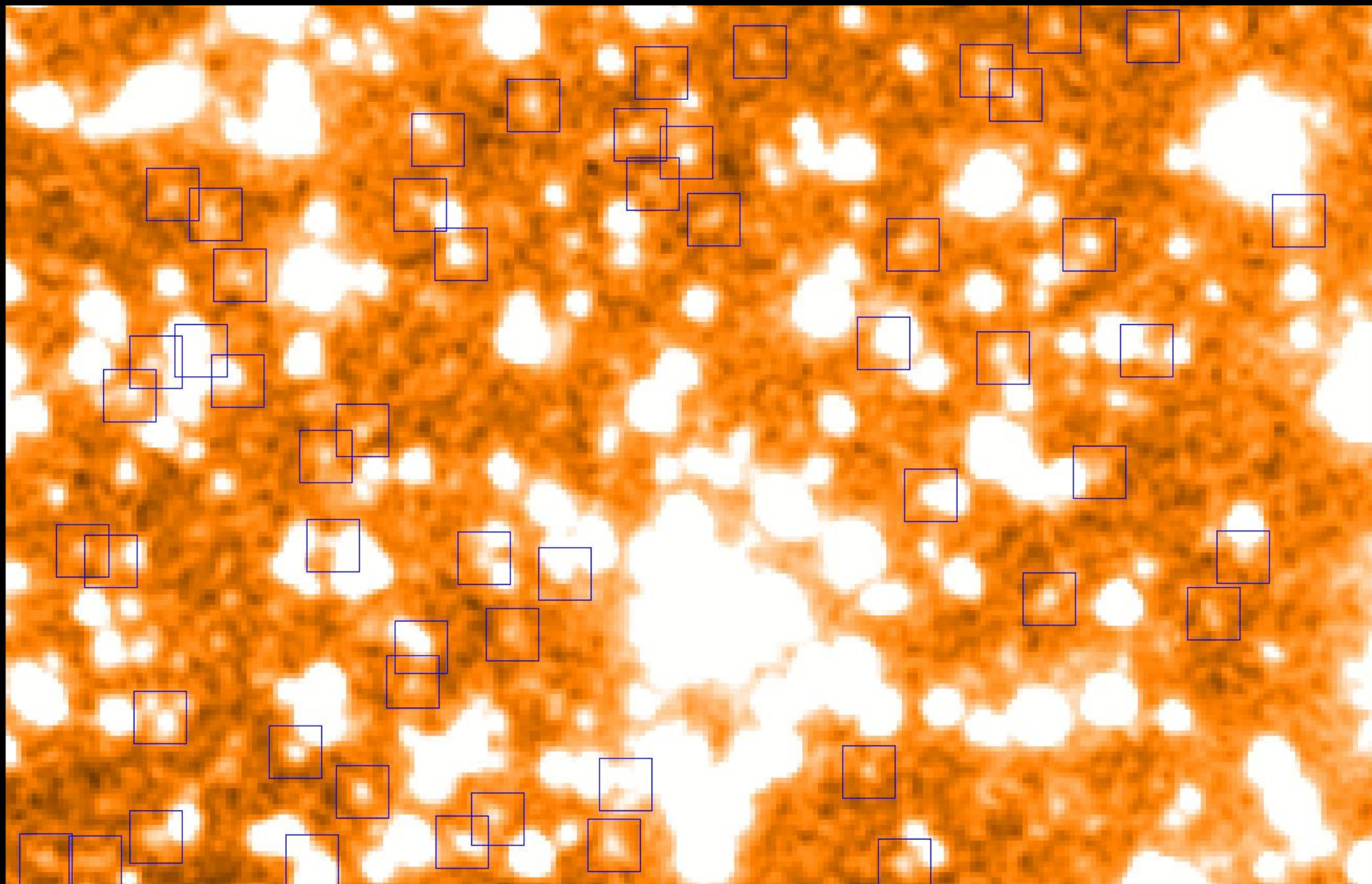
3.6 $\mu\text{m}$  model image, based on  $5\sigma$   $K_s$ -band templates



# 3.6 $\mu\text{m}$ residual image, objects missed in $K_s$ model highlighted



# 3.6 $\mu\text{m}$ SPLASH data, objects missed in $K_s$ model highlighted



## Science: UV-selected Galaxies at high $z$

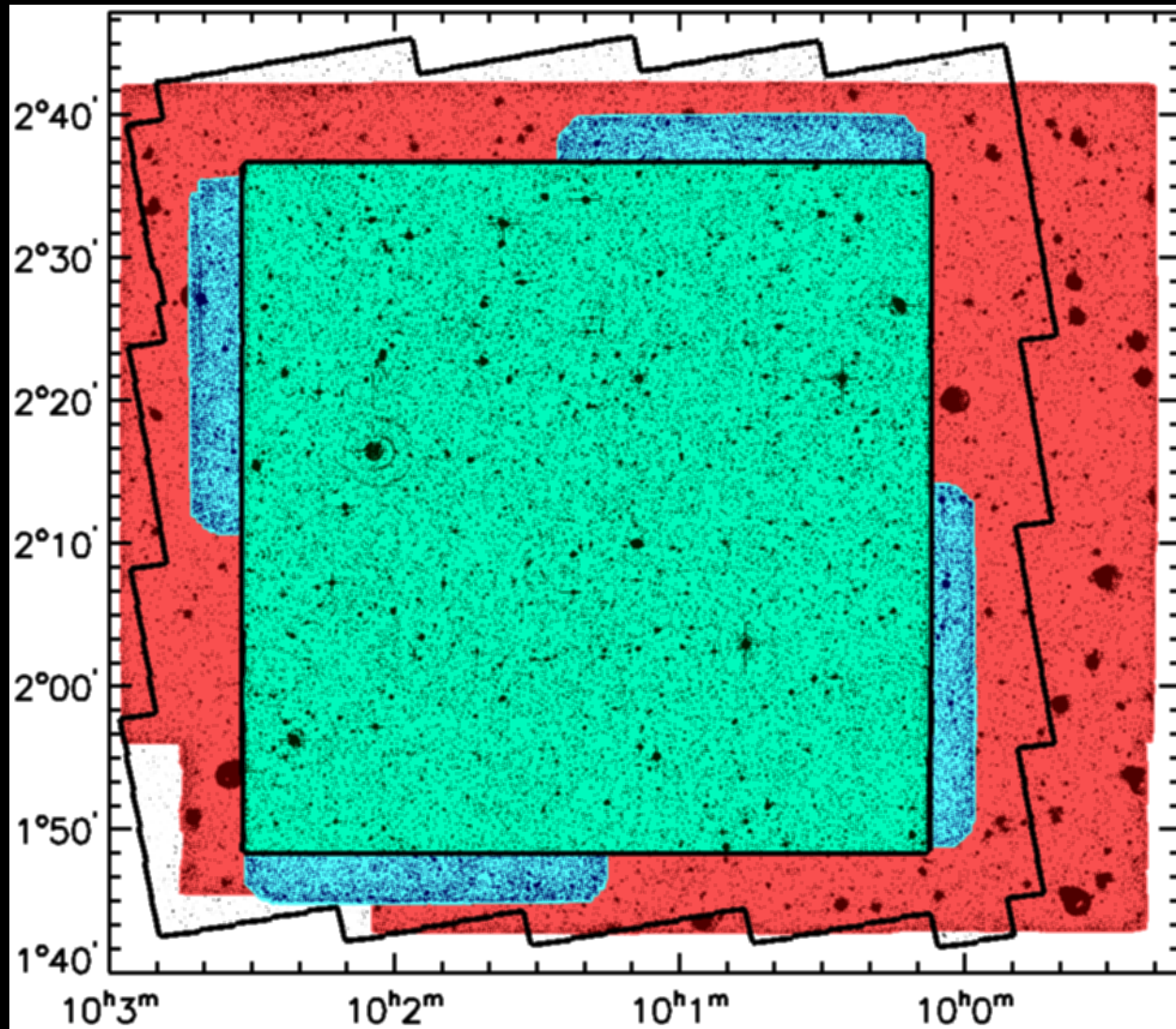
Bowler, Dunlop et al., 2012, MNRAS, 426, 2772

Bowler, Dunlop et al., 2014, MNRAS, 445, 359

Bowler, Dunlop et al., 2015, MNRAS, 452, 1817

Parsa, Dunlop et al., 2015, arXiv:1507.05629

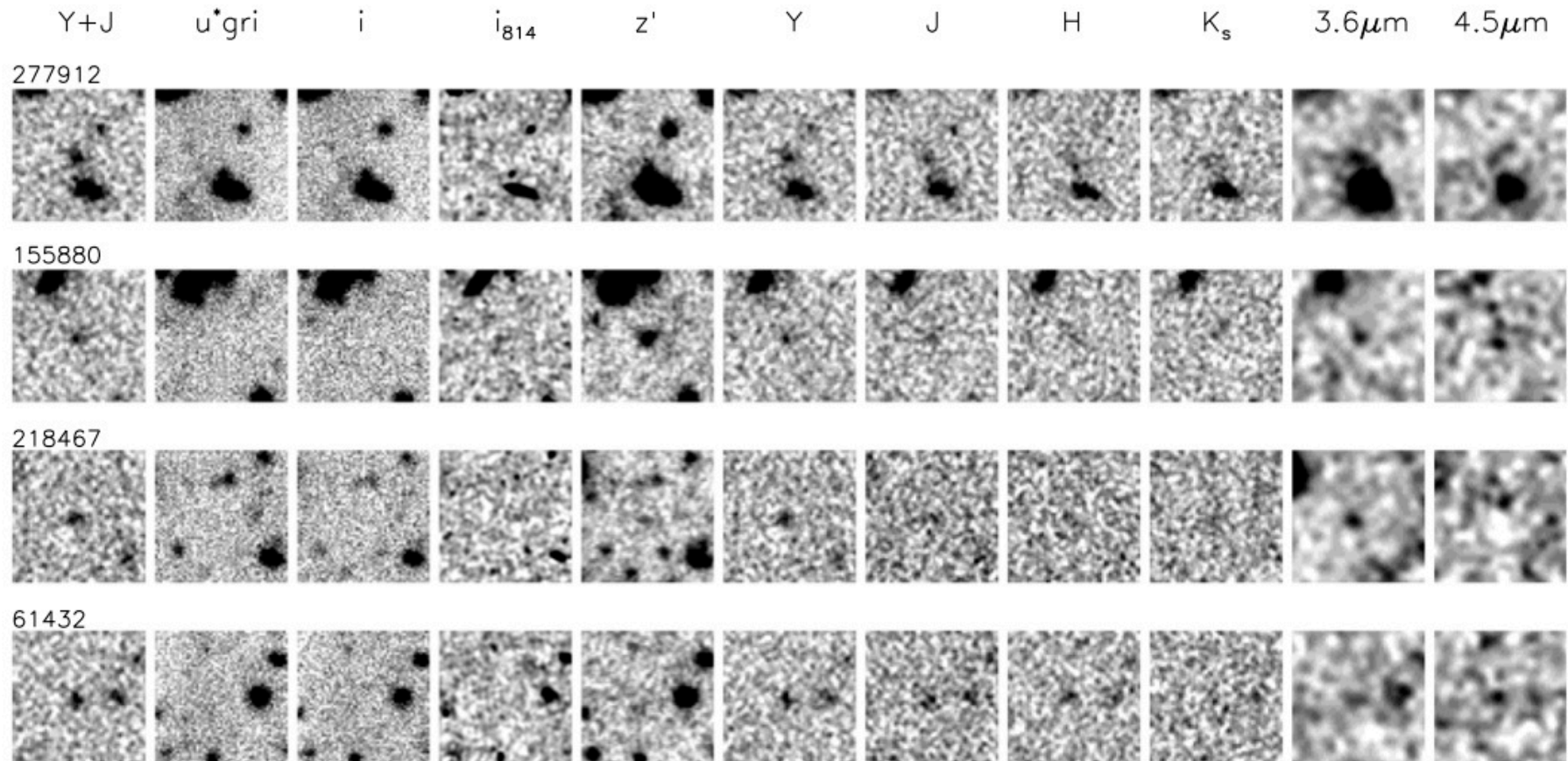
# Combine UltraVISTA with deep CFHT/Subaru/HST optical imaging



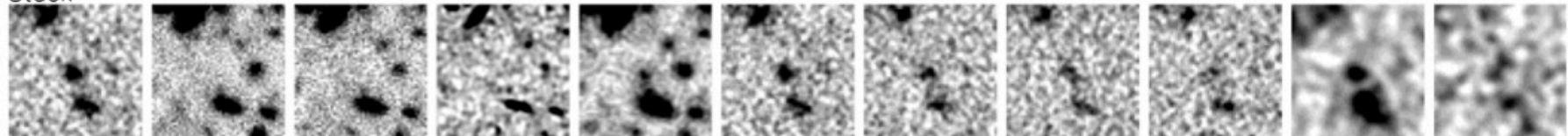
Objects selected  
on Y+J catalogue

# UltraVISTA robust $z \sim 7$ galaxies

Bowler, Dunlop et al. (2012)

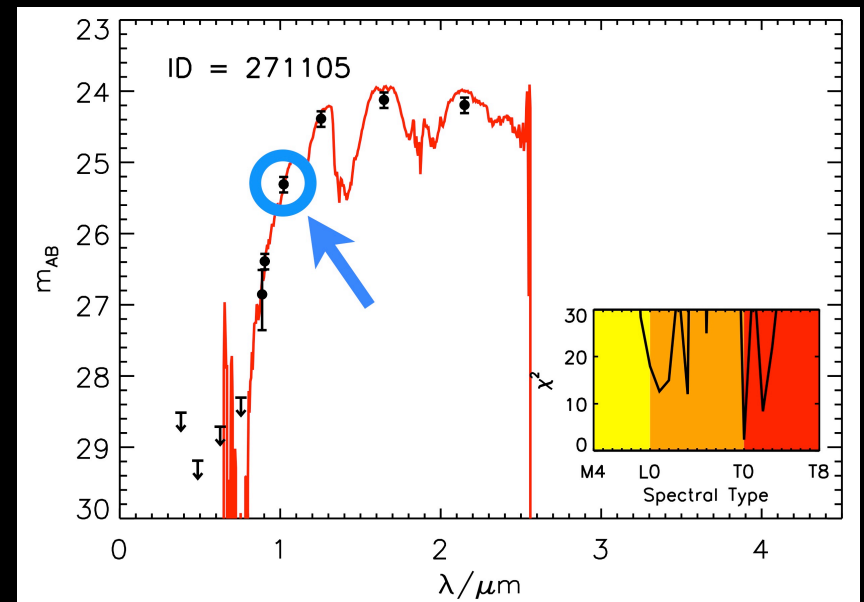
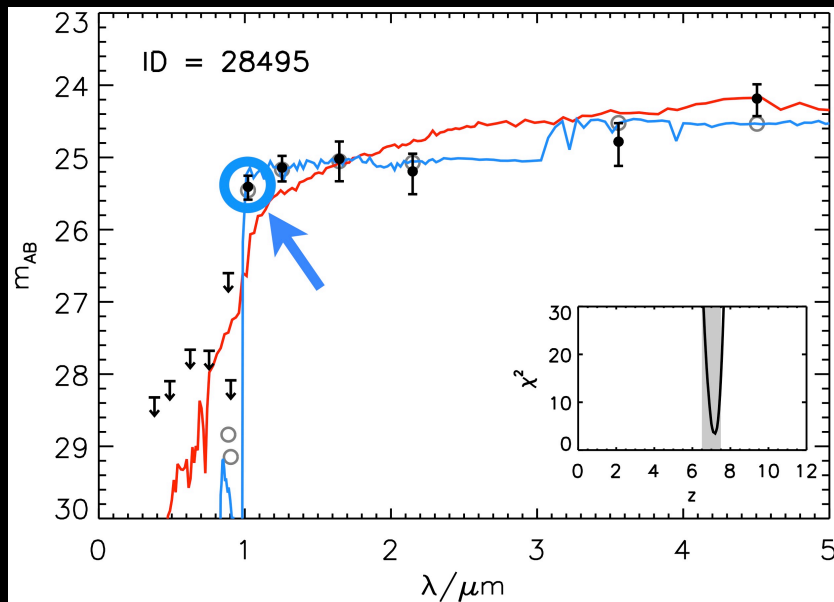


Stack



Major challenge is distinguishing  $z = 7$  galaxies from T dwarfs

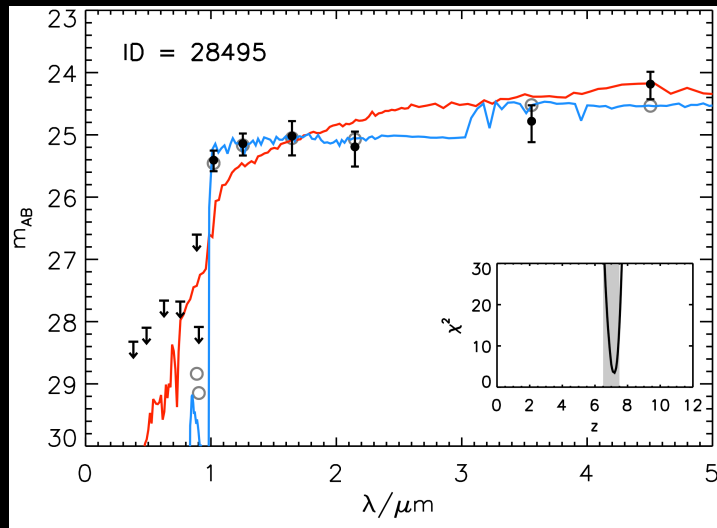
Big problem for ground-based surveys at  $J \sim 25$



Crucial importance of deep Y-band, and deep z-band



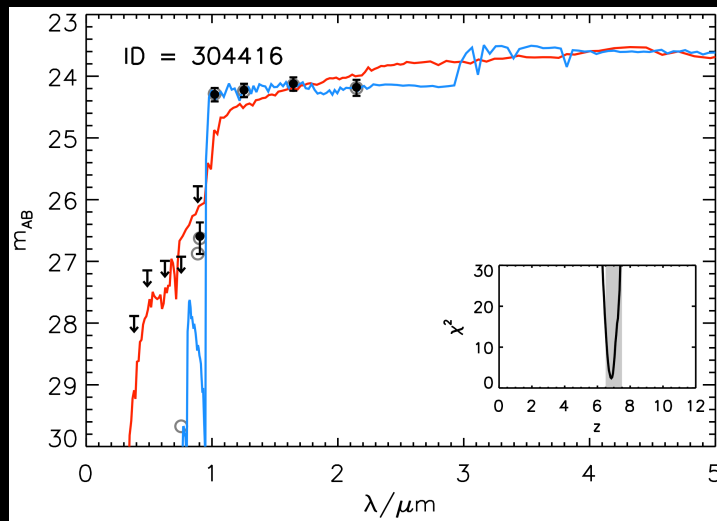
# UltraVISTA robust $z \sim 7$ galaxies Bowler, Dunlop et al. (2012, 2014)



Sample includes most massive  
 $z = 7$  galaxies with  $M^* = \sim 10^{10} M_{\text{sun}}$

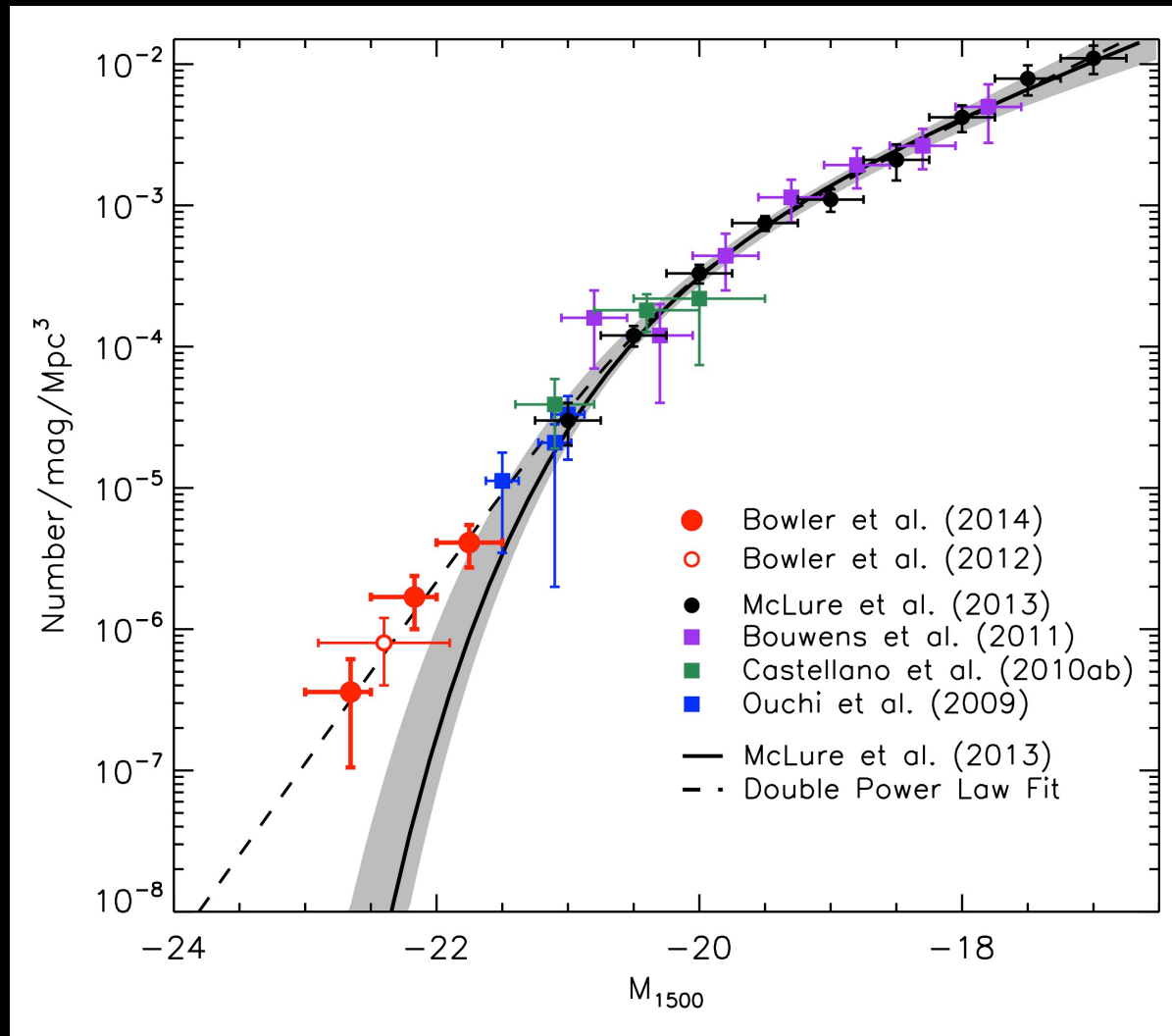
SFR  $\sim 10 - 40 M_{\text{sun}}/\text{yr}$

Median rest-frame UV slope  $\beta = -2.0$



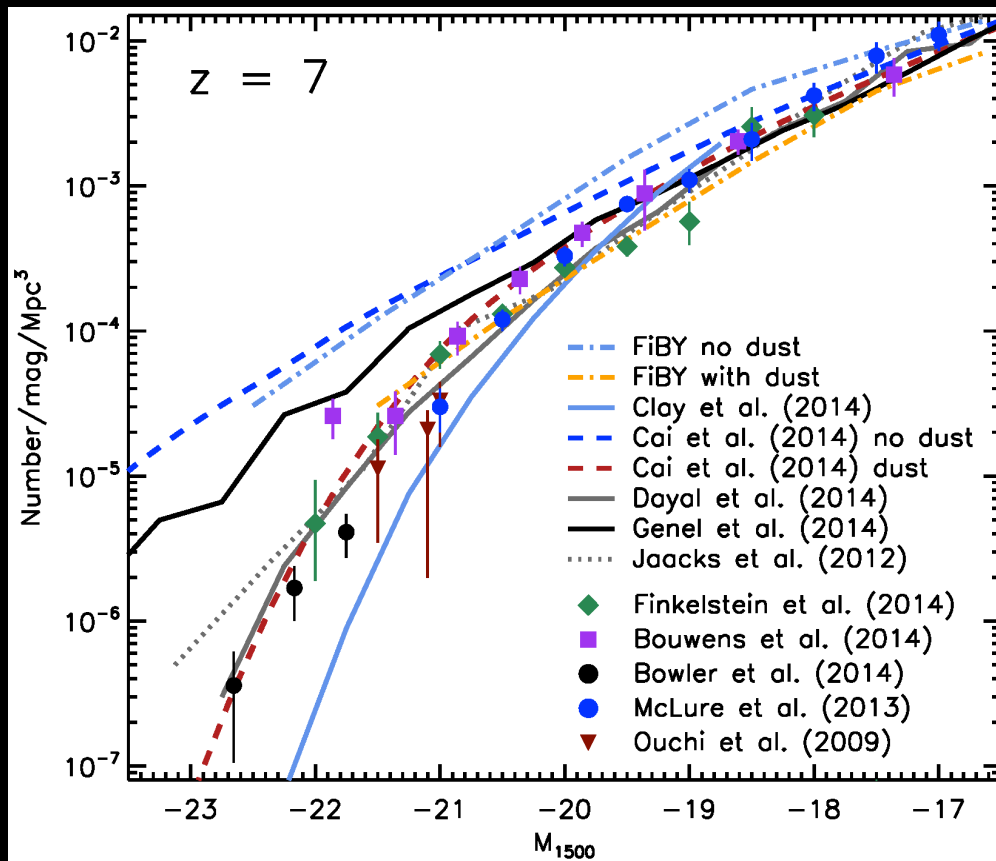
# Bright end of $z = 7$ Luminosity Function

Bowler, Dunlop et al. (2012, 2014)



# Evidence for dust at $z \sim 7$ ?

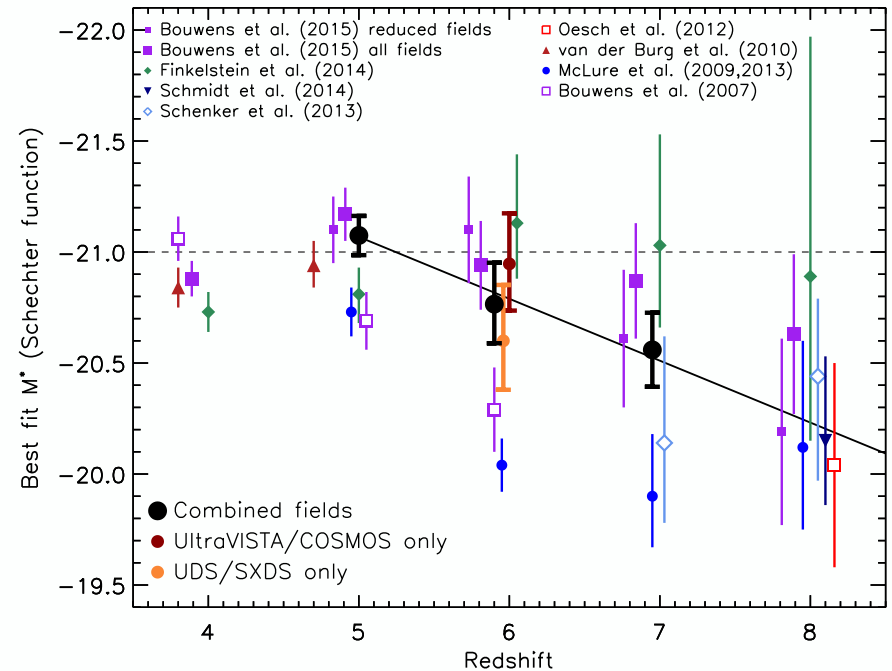
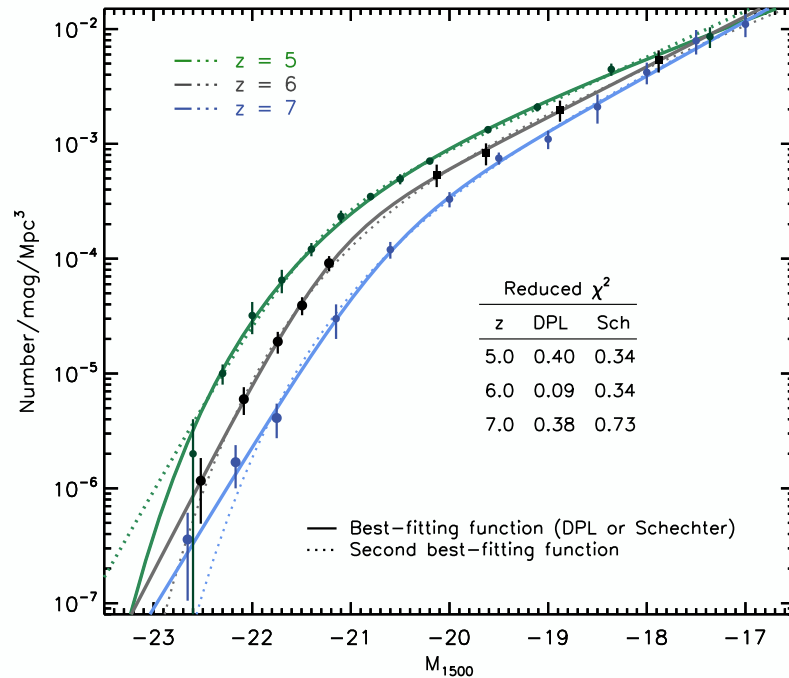
New results from UltraVISTA indicate bright end of LF at  $z = 7$  flatter than Schechter function, but steeper than most model predictions without dust  
**Bowler, Dunlop et al. (2014, 2015)**



Evidence for dust,  
+ implications for mass  
quenching etc

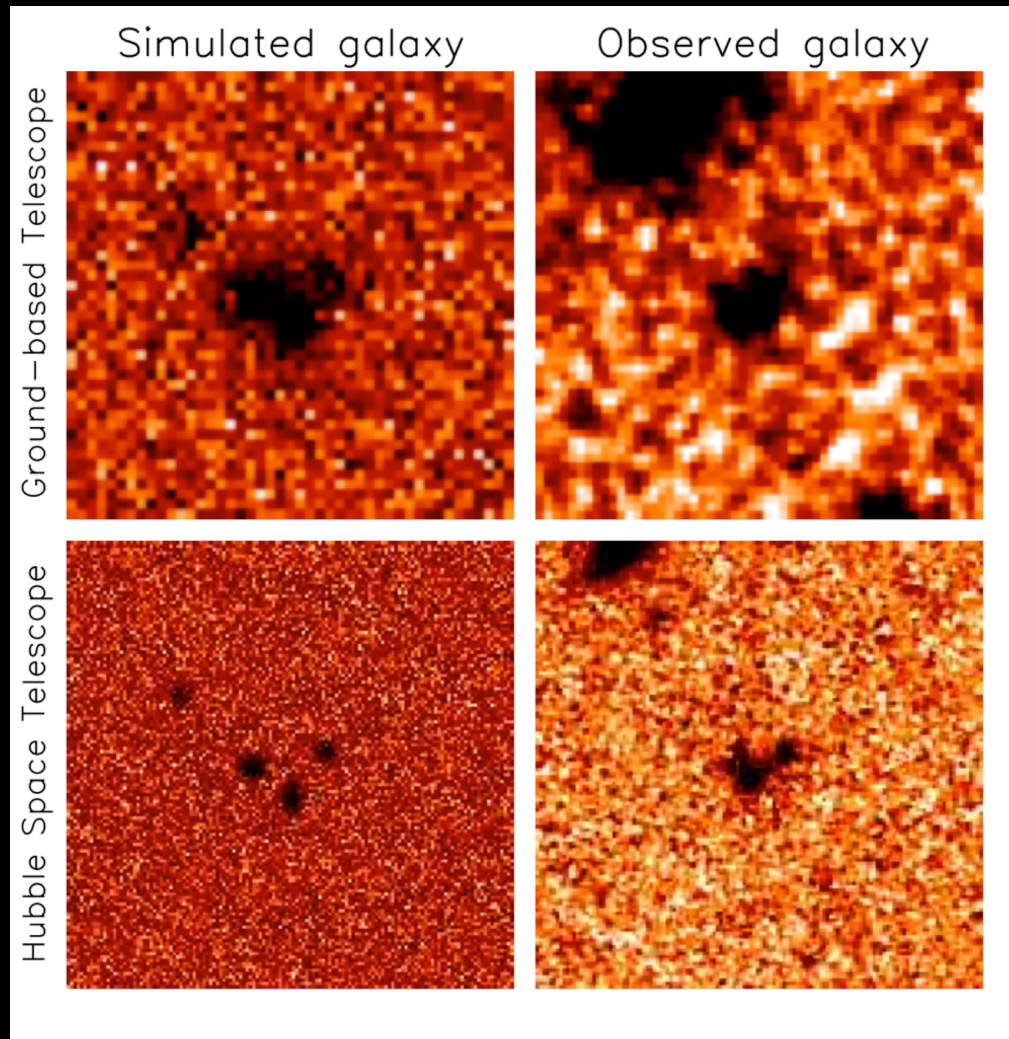
# UV Galaxy LFs at $z = 5, 6, 7$ :

Evidence for transition from double power-law to Schechter Evolution is primarily luminosity evolution



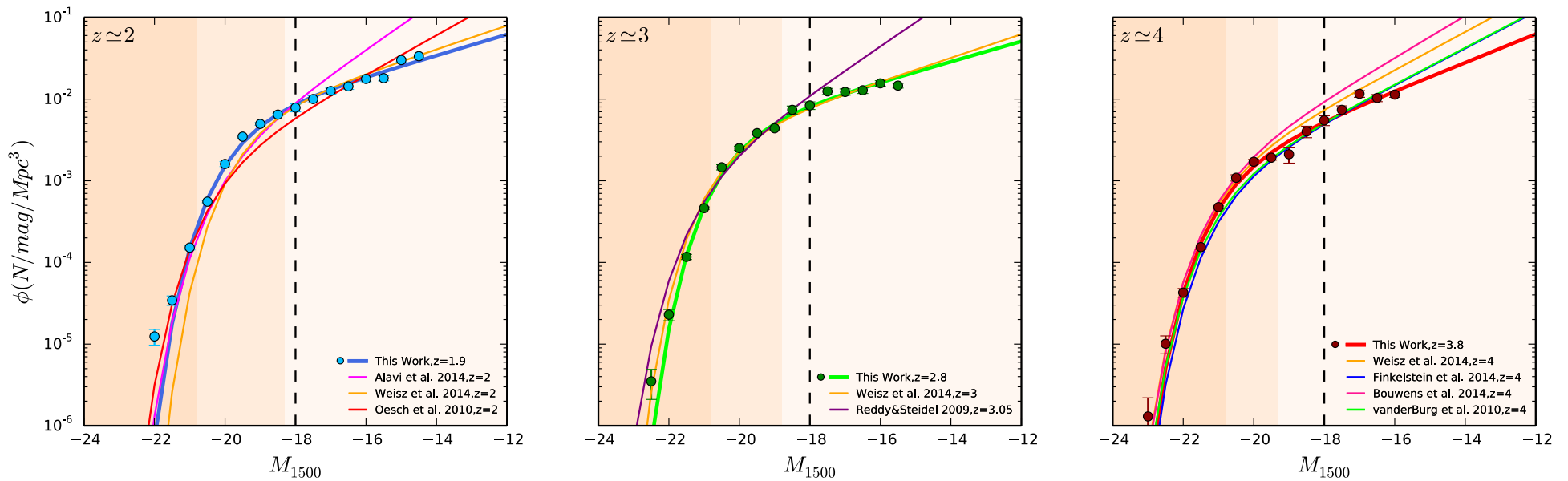
Bowler, Dunlop, McLure et al. 2015

# Currently receiving HST WFC3 imaging of brightest $z = 7$ sources



+ Cycle 3 ALMA observations approved

# New measurements of the UV galaxy luminosity function at $z = 2, 3, 4$



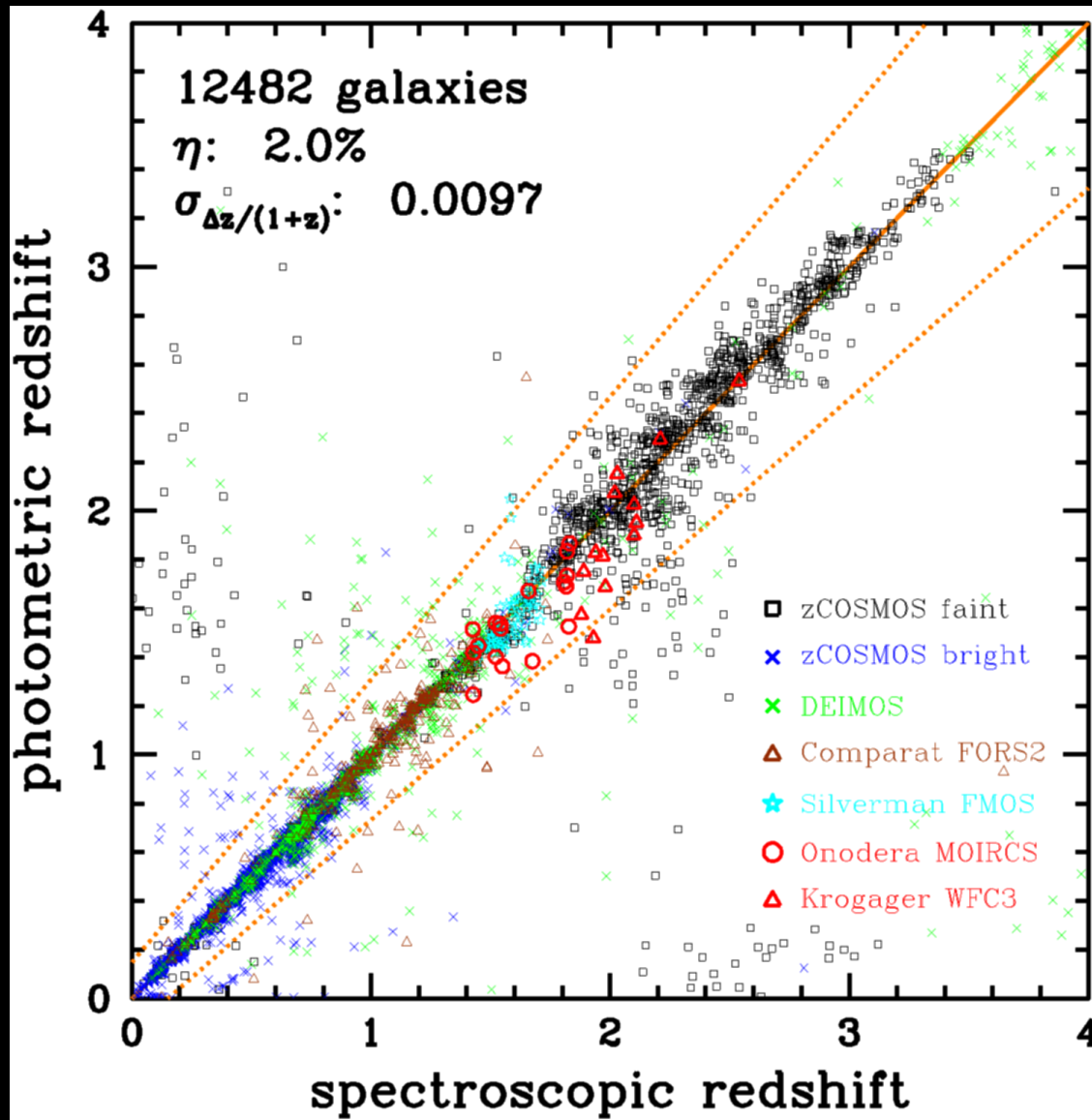
UltraVISTA combined with HST GOODS/CANDELS and HUDF12  
Parsa, Dunlop et al. 2015

# Science: Galaxy Mass Functions

Muzzin et al. 2013, ApJ, 777, 18

Ibert et al. 2013, A&A, 556, 55

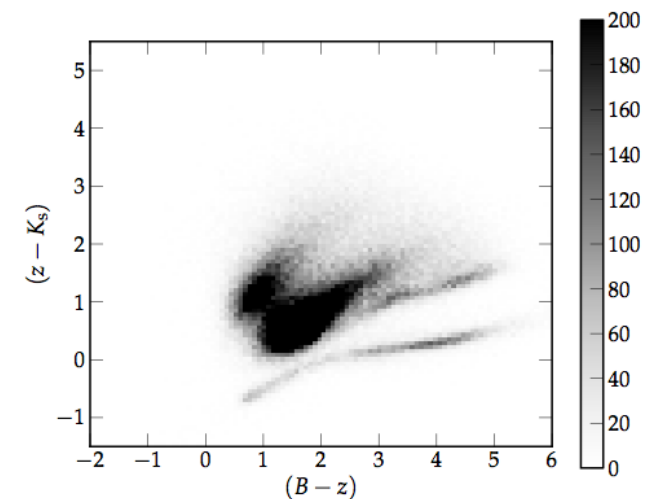
Mortlock, McLure et al., 2015



Deep, high quality photometry now **enables new science** at  $z \sim 2$  (mass function, clustering), pushing further down in mass to allow us to see  $M^*$  galaxies out to  $z \sim 2$

addition of Y helps a lot at  $1 < z_{\text{phot}} < 2$

UltraVISTA + COSMOS (25-band) means we can now compute **reliable bias-free** photometric redshifts at  $1 < z < 3$  (O. Ilbert et al + FMOS + zCOSMOS + DEEP2 spectra)



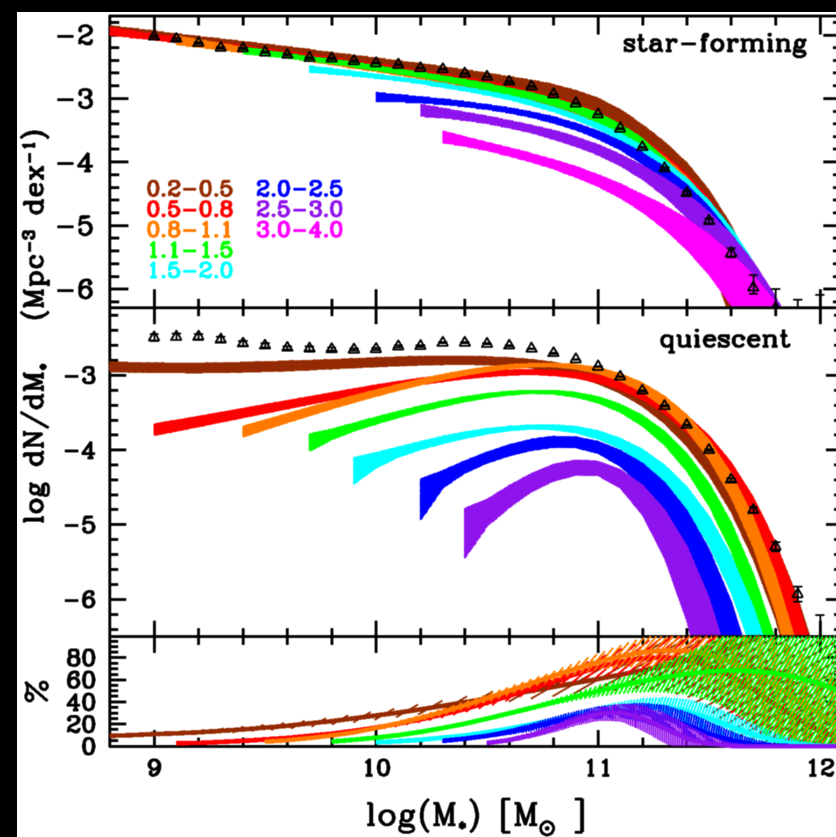
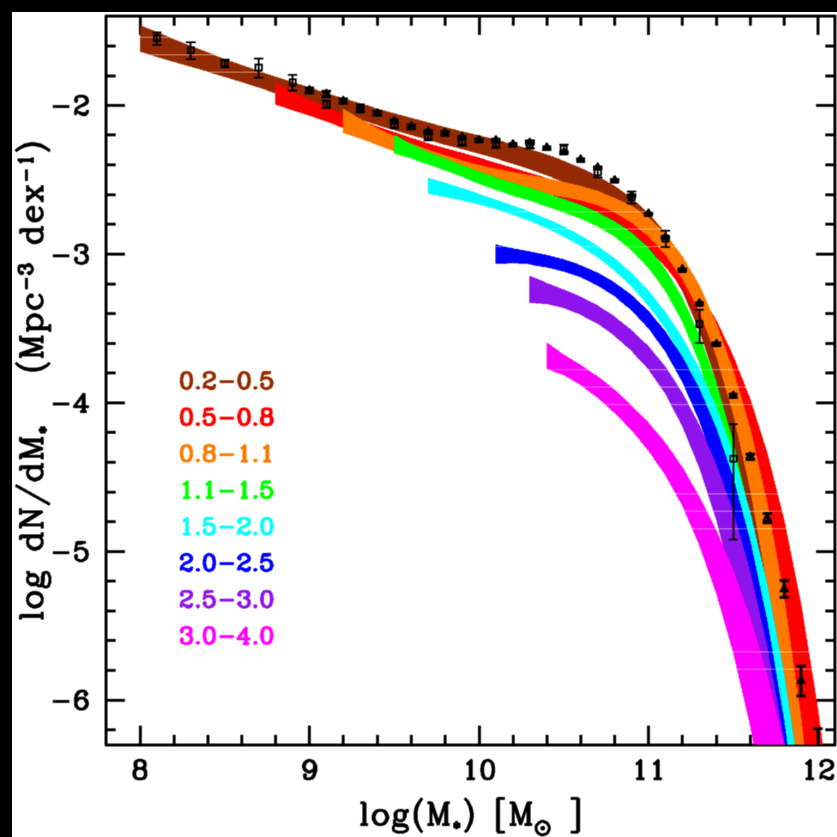


Ilbert et al. 2013

## Growth of galaxy stellar mass function since $z \sim 4$

220,000 galaxies with  $K_s < 24$  from UltraVISTA DR1

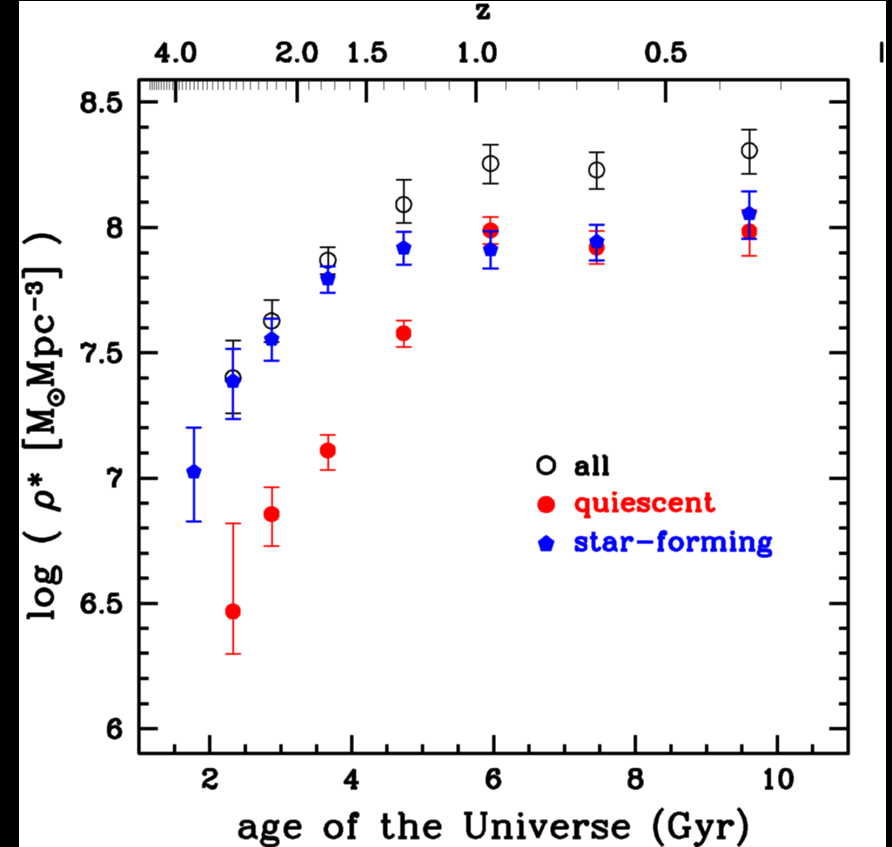
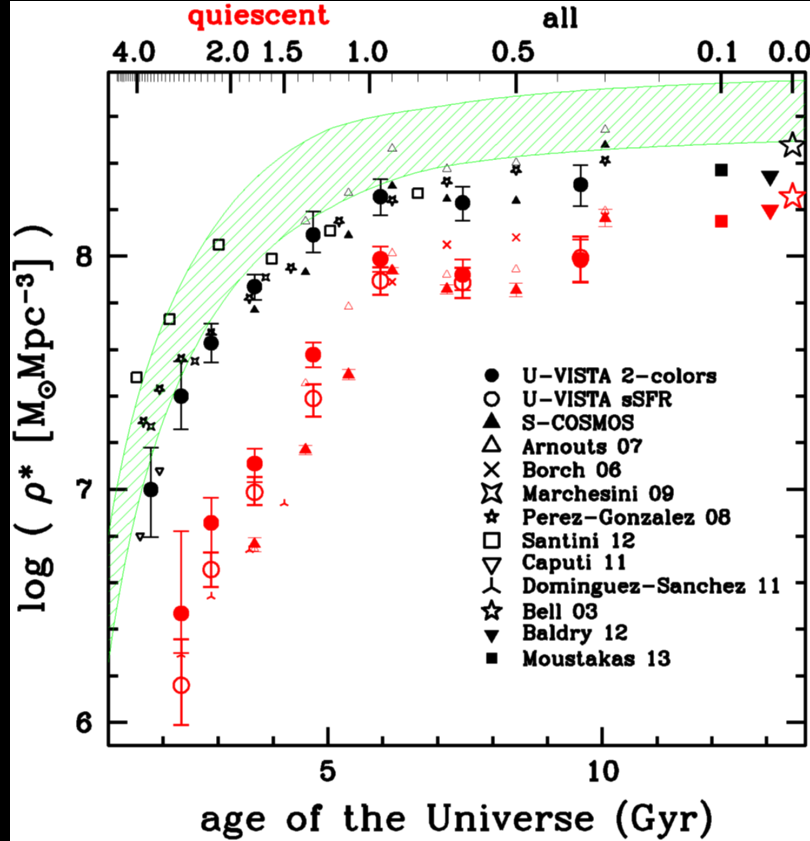
10,800 spectroscopic redshifts



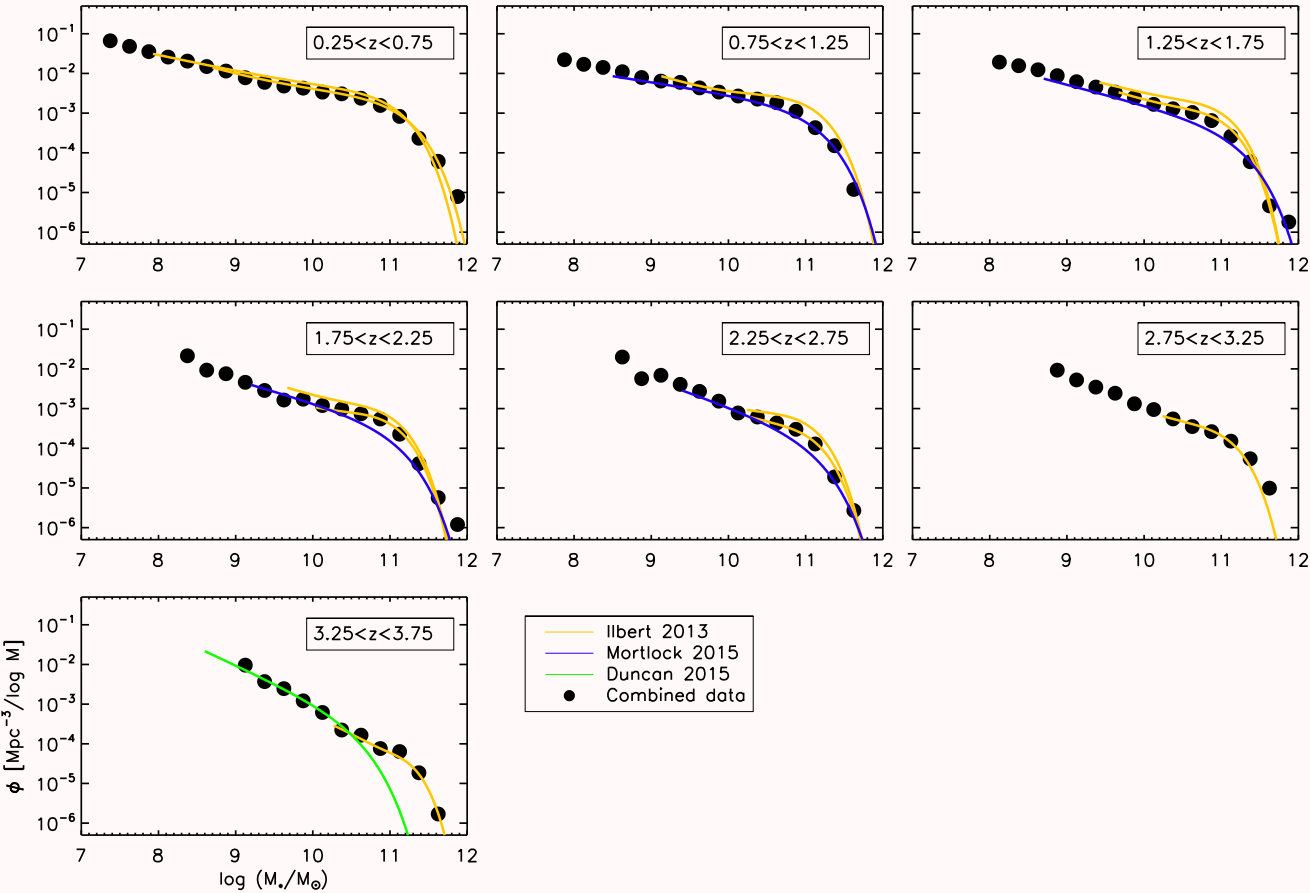
Ilbert et al. 2013

## Growth of galaxy stellar mass function since $z \sim 4$

Integrate - Growth of stellar mass density



# New measurement of evolving galaxy stellar mass function combining CANDELS and UltraVISTA DR3



Mortlock, McLure et al., in prep

# Science: Dusty star-forming galaxies

e.g. from Spitzer

Steinhardt et al. 2014, ApJ, 791, L25

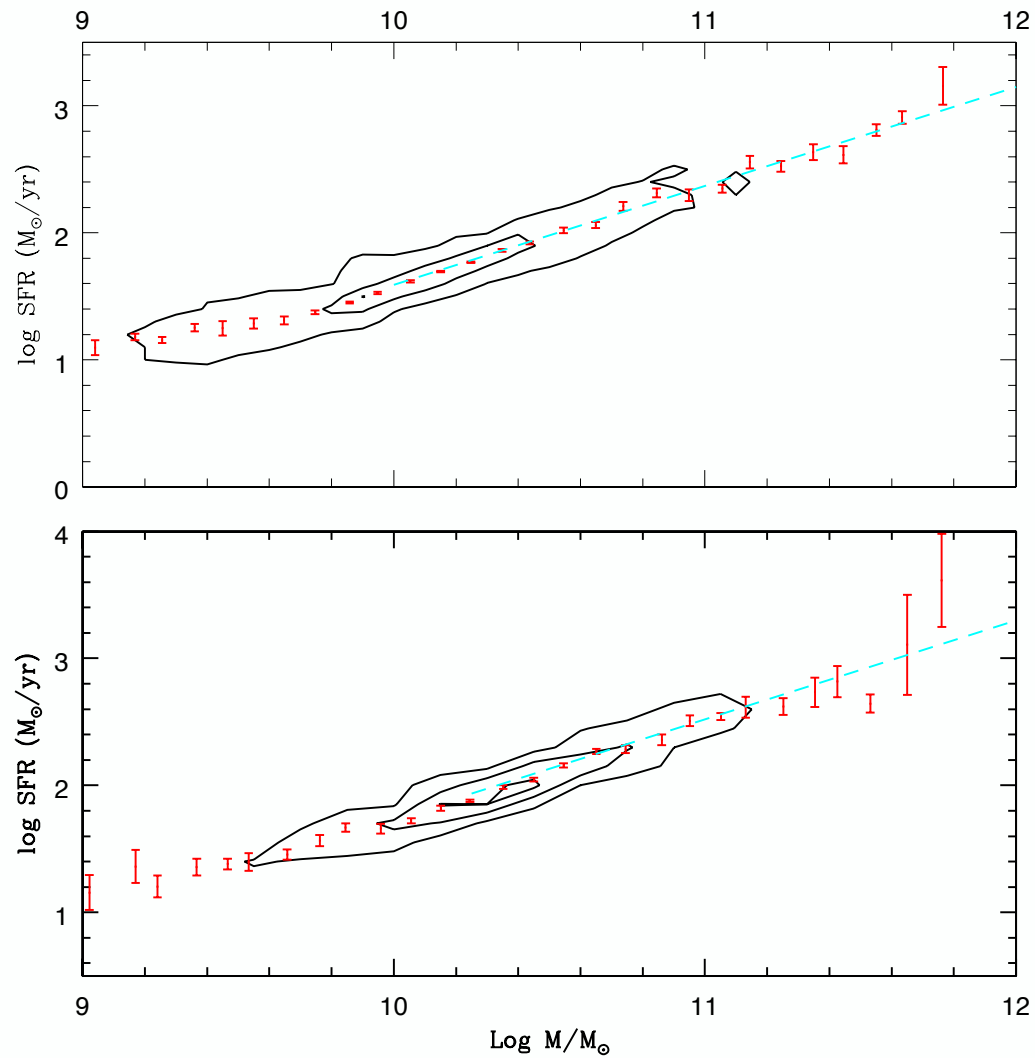
e.g. from sub-mm/mm surveys

Smolcic et al. 2012, A&A, 548, 4

Koprowski et al. 2014, MNRAS, 444, 117

Scoville et al. 2015, arXiv:1505.02159

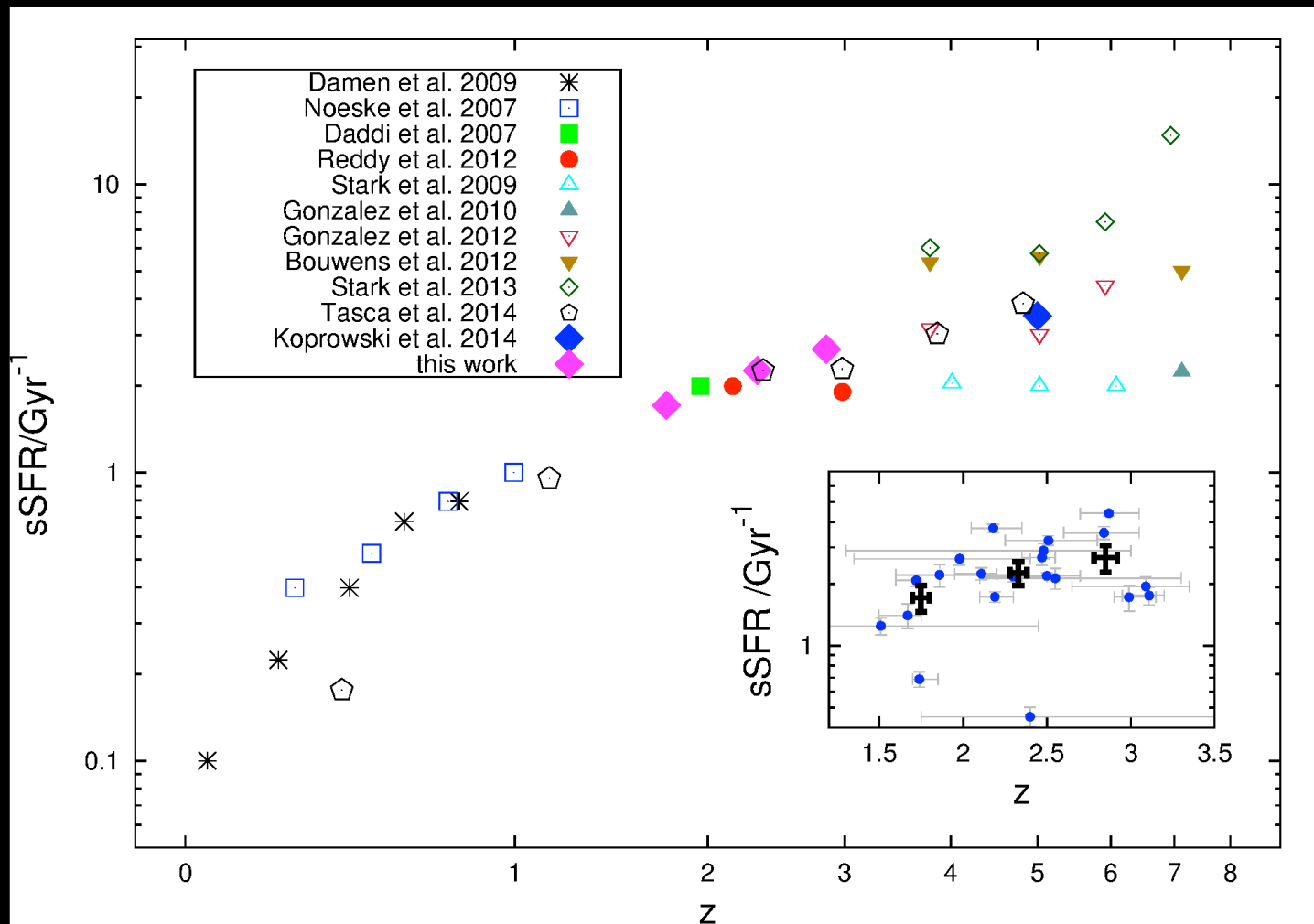
Koprowski et al. 2015, arXiv:1509.07144



Star-forming galaxy “main sequence” at  $4 < z < 4.8$  and  $4.6 < z < 6$

Steinhardt et al. 2014

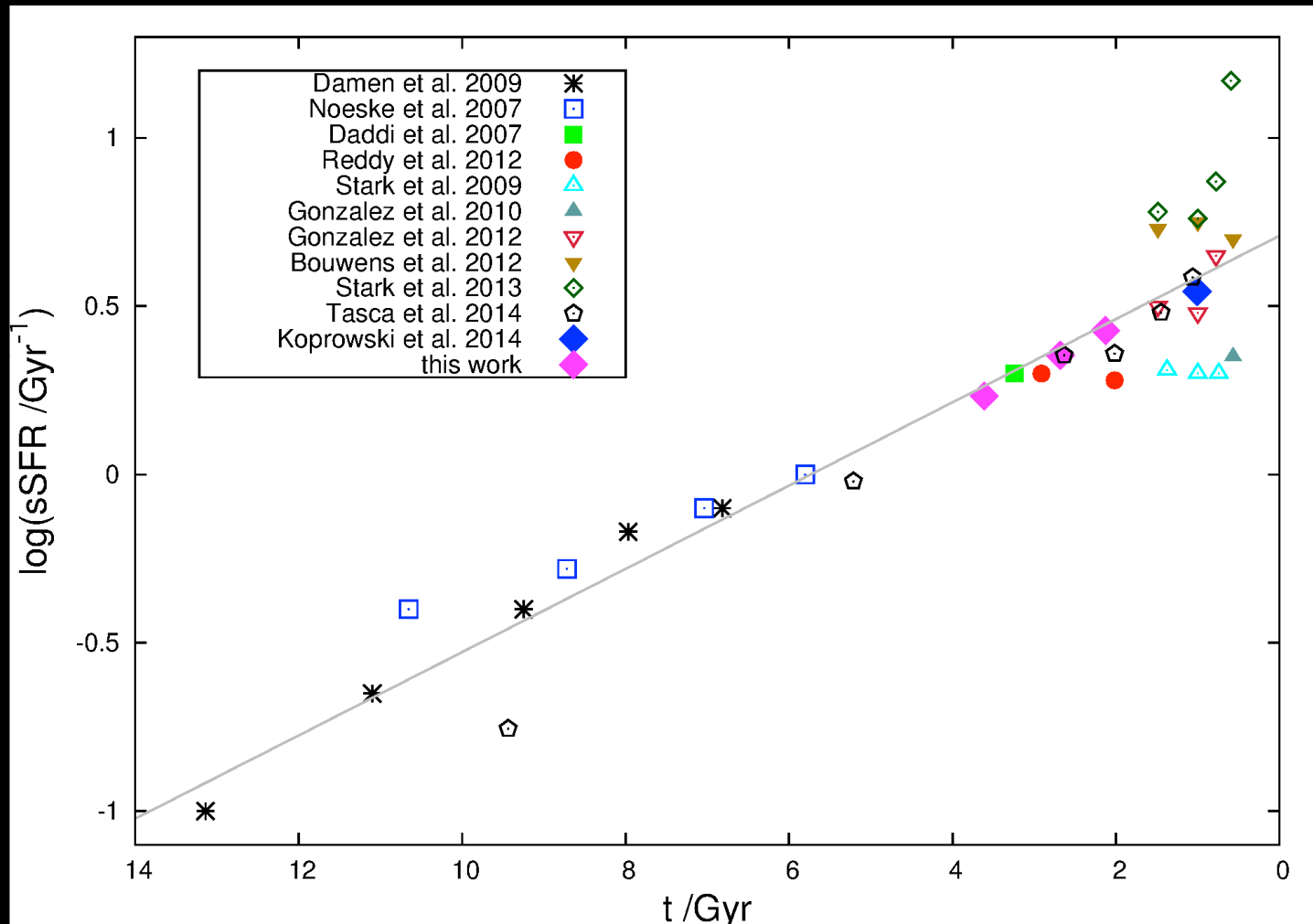
# Evolution of specific star-formation rate



Koprowski, Dunlop et al. 2015

See also Lidia Tasca's talk tomorrow

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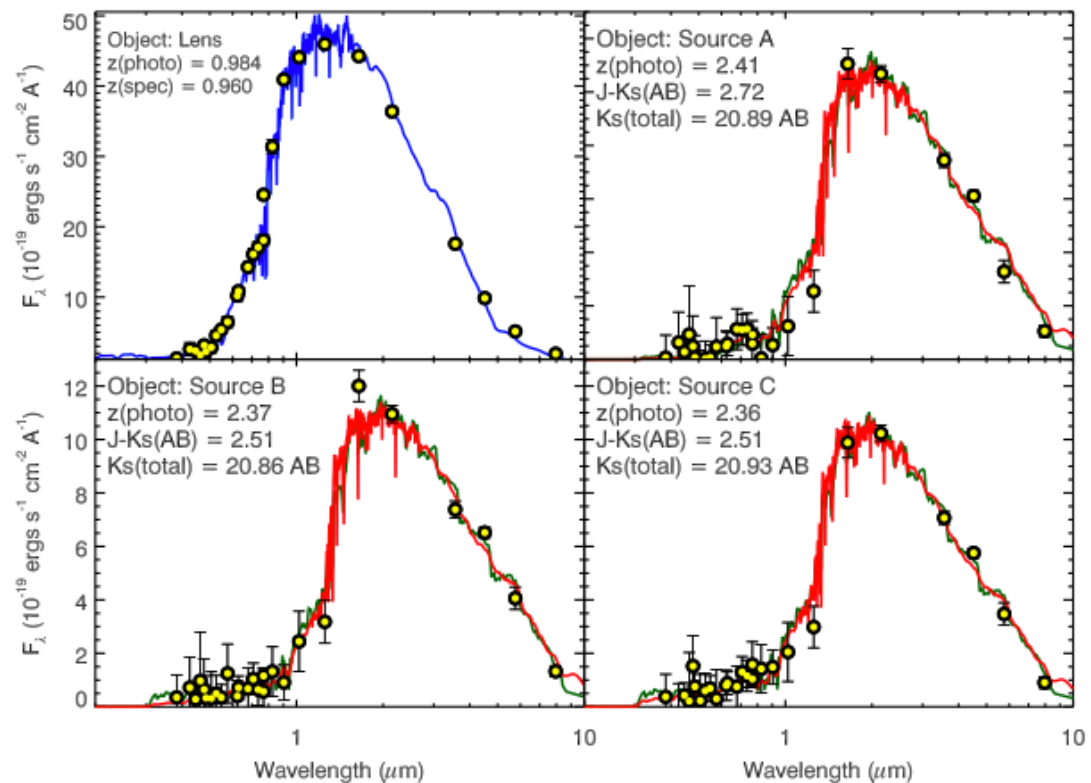
## Science: other

> 100 studies have utilised UltraVISTA data over last 3 years

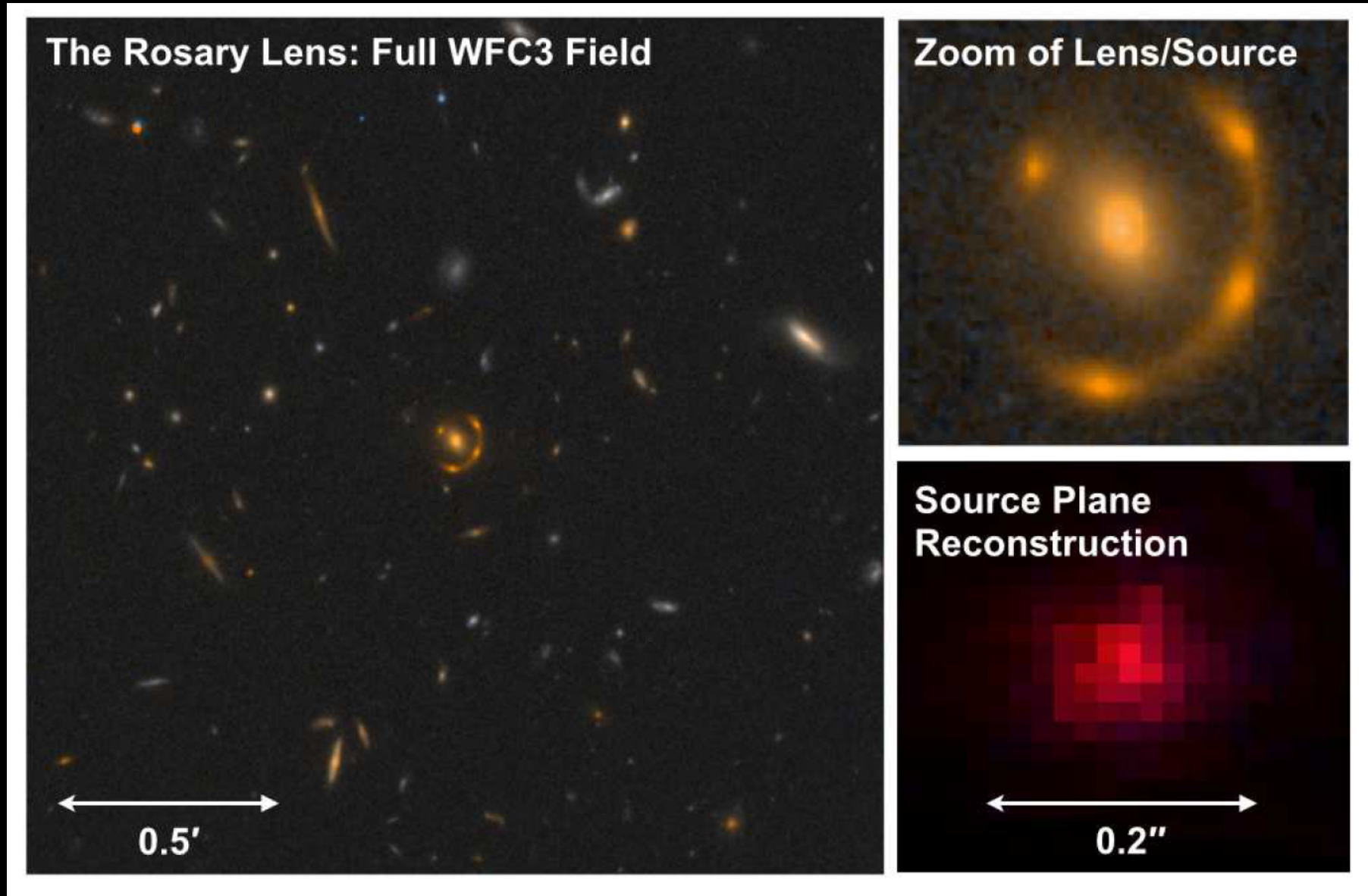


# Triply-lensed background $z \sim 2$ galaxy, lensed by foreground elliptical

Muzzin et al. 2012, ApJ, 761, 142



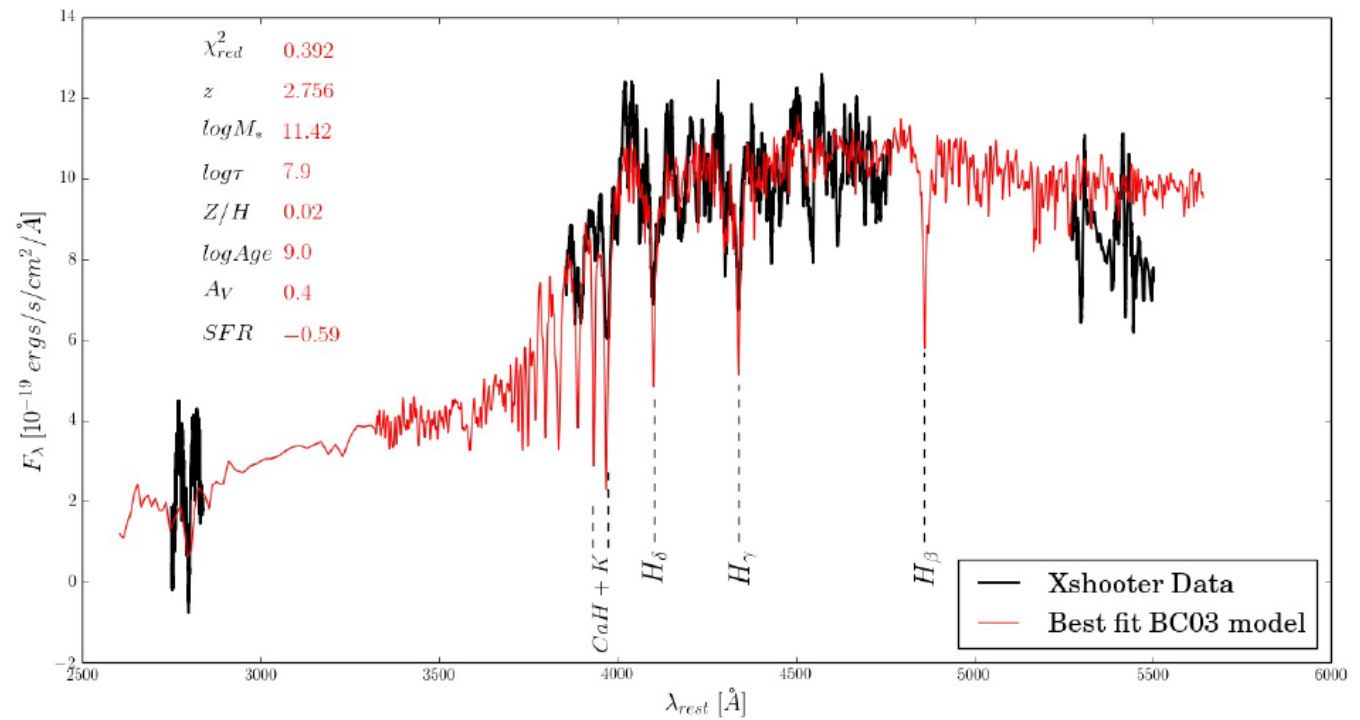
HST follow-up of this lens:  $n = 4$ , so small bulge  
Muzzin et al. in prep



# X-shooter follow-up: Hill et al. in prep

$z = 2.756$ , highest redshift quiescent/quenched galaxy with measured velocity dispersion

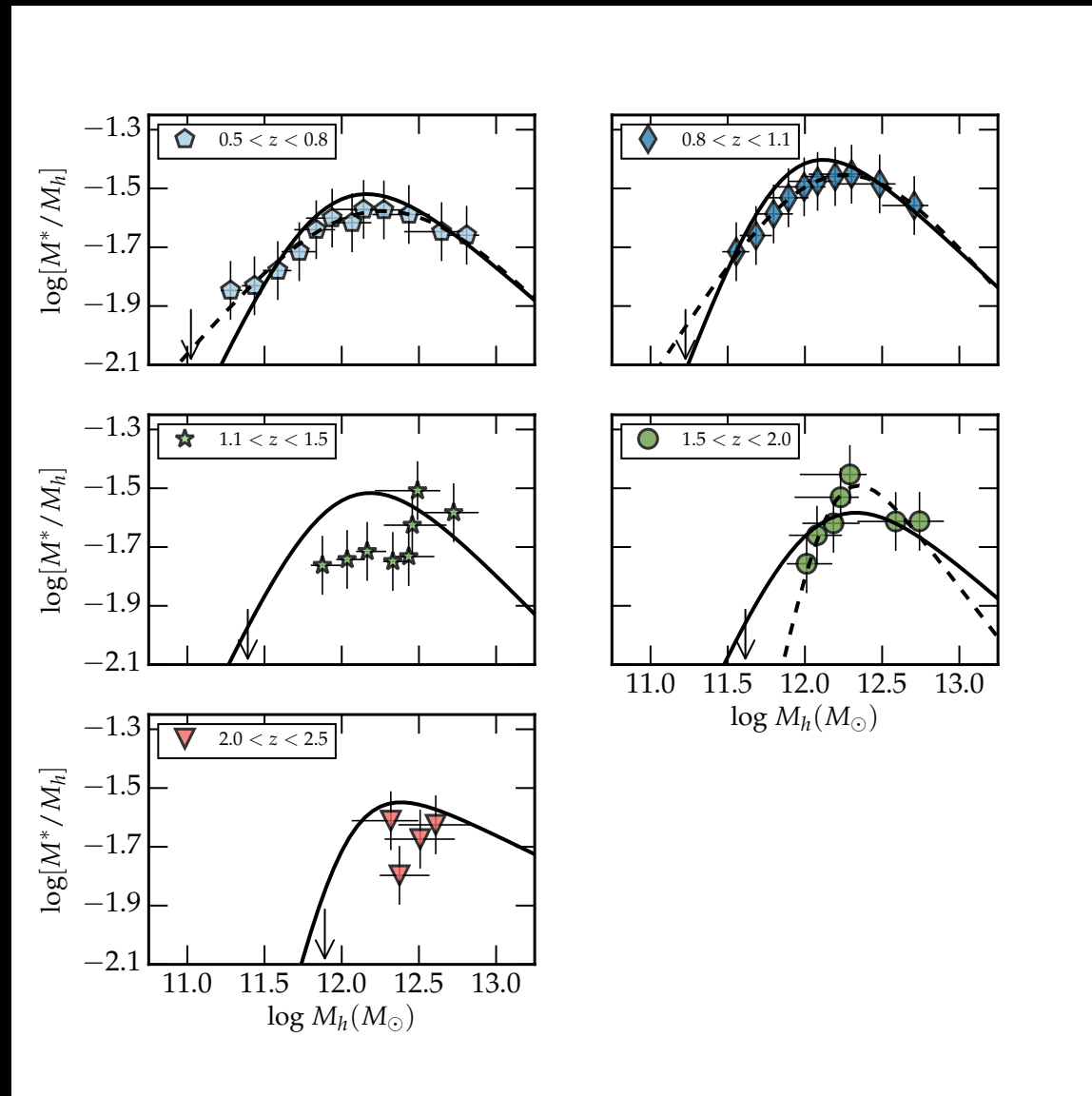
Figure 2: X-SHOOTER spectrum of a strongly-lensed quiescent galaxy at  $z = 2.756$  (Hill et al. in prep). This is the highest-redshift quiescent galaxy for which absorption lines have been detected. This galaxy is at similar redshift, and is slightly fainter than the proposed target so is indicative of the quality of spectrum we will obtain. Note the K-blocking filter was used in this observation so most of the data is in the observed H-band.



Dynamical mass = stellar mass

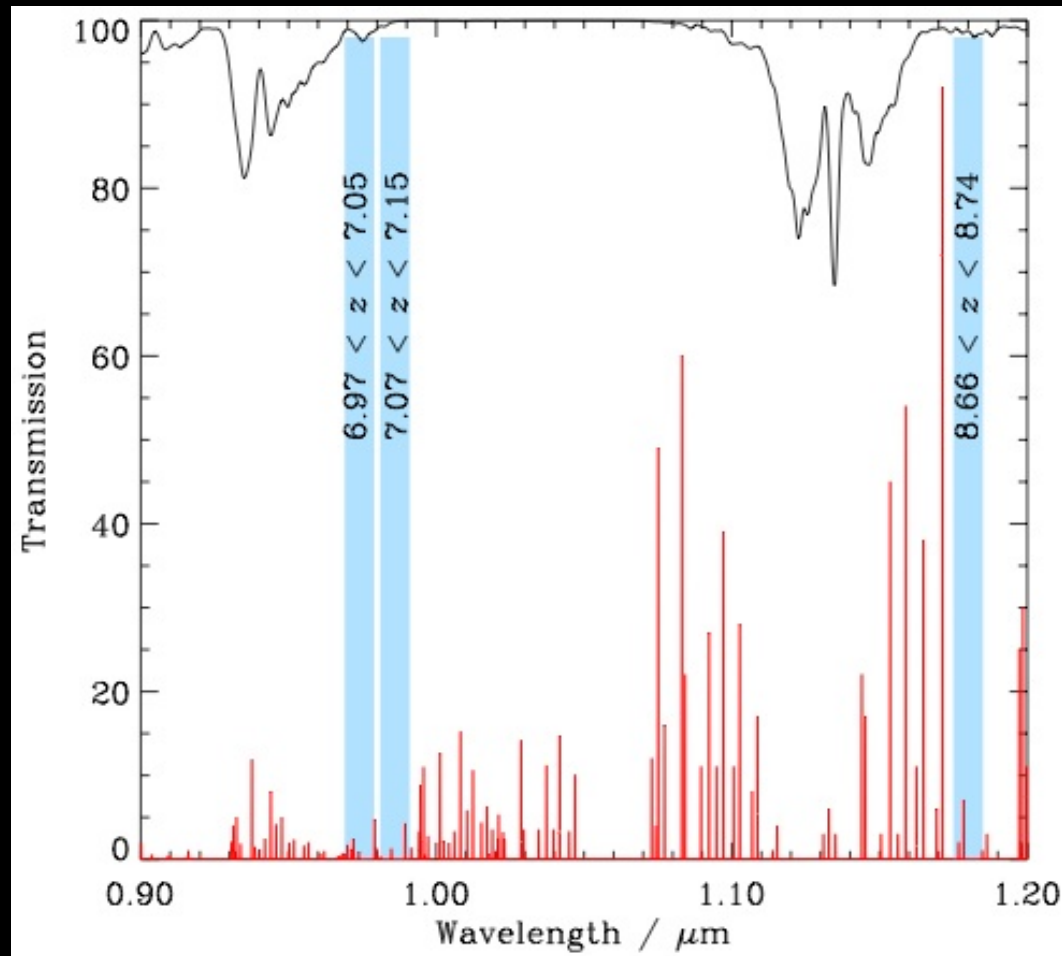
# Clustering studies and $M^*/M_{\text{halo}}$ : peaks at $\log(M_h) \sim 12.2$

McCracken et al. 2015, MNRAS, 449, 901



# Emission-lines at $z > 7$

VISTA narrow-band imaging



See Bo Milvang-Jensen's talk tomorrow

DR4 - Will contain all data to summer 2016

These new data will deepen the “deep strips” and are expected to deliver imaging reaching 5-sigma, 1.8-arcsec diameter AB mag detection limits:  
 $Y=26.3$ ,  $J=26.0$ ,  $H=25.7$ ,  $K_s=25.3$

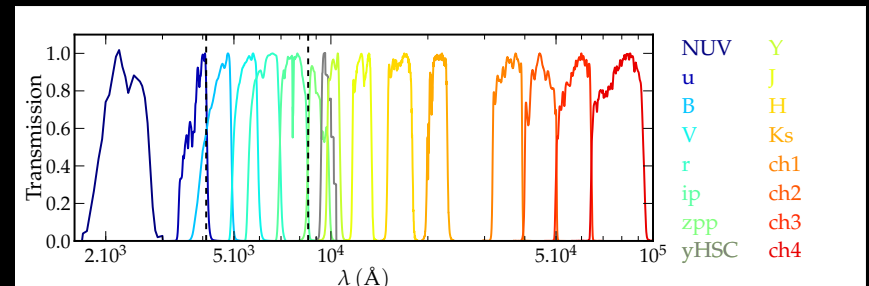
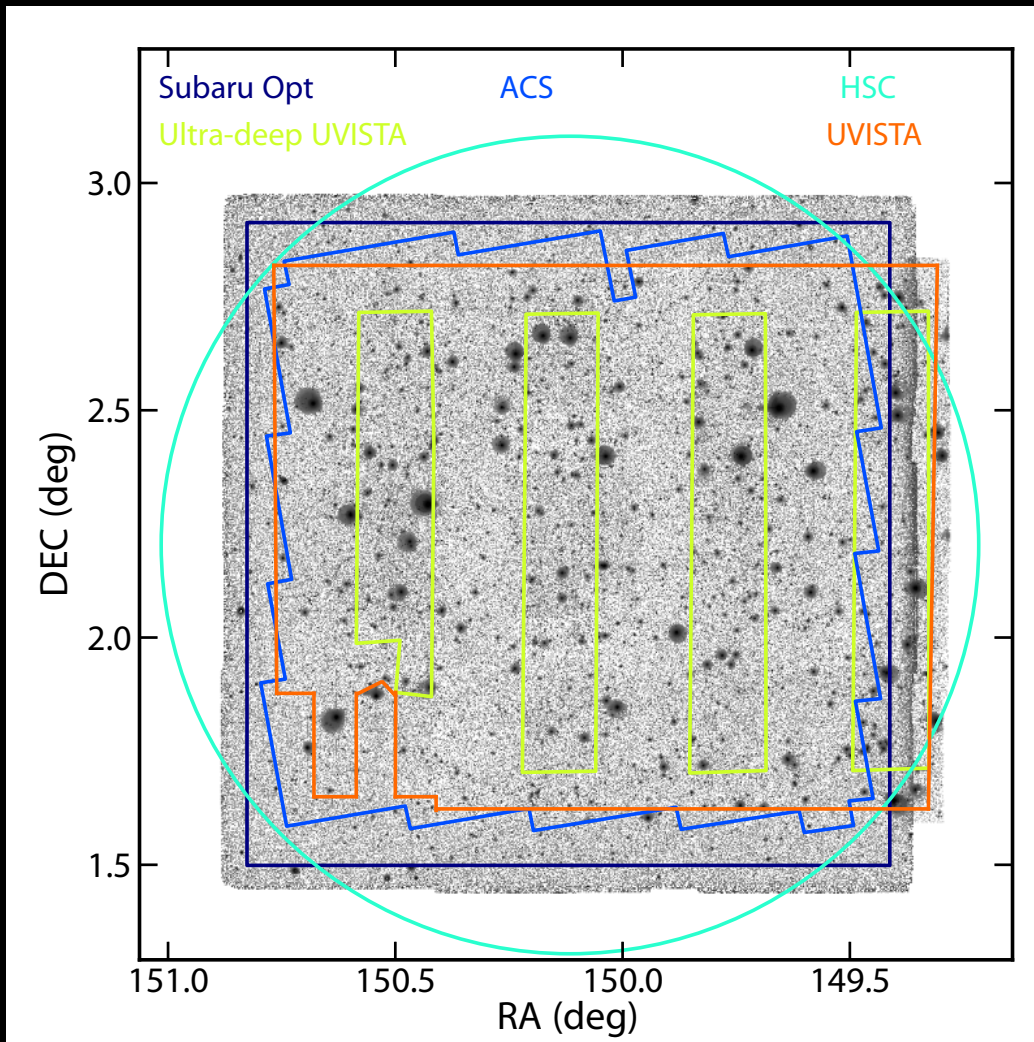
Will also have deepened the complete  $K_s$  image to  $K_s=25.0$

This dataset will be based on ~1300 out of the 1642 hours of exposure time awarded.

Observing overhead: execution/exposure = 1.32

So ~450 hours would need to be awarded starting Dec 2016 to complete originally requested/allocated time

# The Future: boosting the legacy value of UltraVISTA



Need to re-appraise in the era of Subaru HyperSuprimeCam

Deep HSC survey proposes to deliver Y-band to 26.5 (5-sigma)

COSMOS2015 catalogue

Laigle, McCracken et al. 2015

# Summary

- UltraVISTA has been, and continues to be a powerful/productive public survey
- Now utilised in essentially all studies of the COSMOS field
  
- Breakthrough results on bright high-redshift galaxies, into the reionization era at  $z \sim 7$
- State-of-the-art galaxy stellar mass functions out to  $z \sim 4$
- Key role in identifying and studying dusty star-forming galaxies
  
- Completes  $\lambda$  coverage with CFHT/Subaru/Spitzer/Herschel/SCUBA-2
- Provides crucial boost in dynamic range when combined with HST and Hawk-I surveys
- Proving a powerful lever for HST, ALMA and VLT follow-up
  
- VIRCAM+VISTA performing to spec, but observing overhead 1.32
- First 5 seasons now released. Seasons 6 and 7, ending July 16, will provide DR4
- Survey needs extra time beyond summer 2016 to provide original planned exposure time
  
- Now reconsidering strategy in light of SPLASH and Subaru HyperSuprimeCam
- LOI plan for max legacy  $\sim 800$  hours to complete  $JHK_s$  to DR4 depth across whole field