

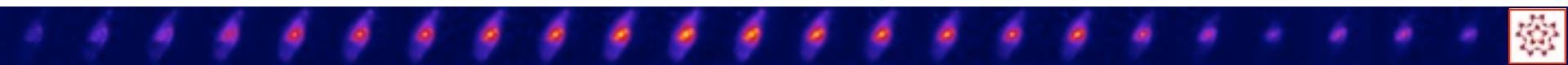
# The ALHAMBRA survey: First data release and early scientific results

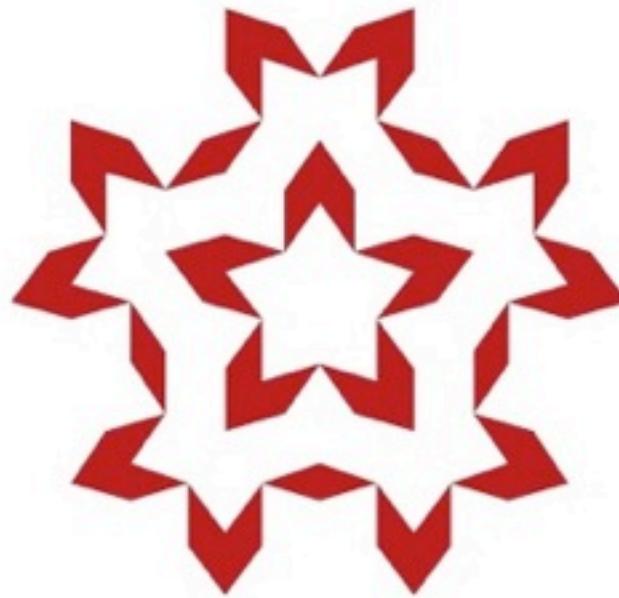
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# Summary

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- What is the ALHAMBRA survey?
- What kind of science can be done?
- What is the quality of the data?
- How can the data be handled?
- First scientific results
- ALHAMBRA-Gold and First Data Release





# ALHAMBRA

SURVEY

Advanced Large, Homogeneous Area,  
Medium-Band Redshift Astronomical Survey

# The ALHAMBRA Project: A large area multi medium-band optical and NIR photometric survey<sup>1</sup>

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## The ALHAMBRA Survey: Bayesian Photometric Redshifts with 23 bands for 3 squared degrees.

Molino et al. 2014, MNRAS 441, 2891

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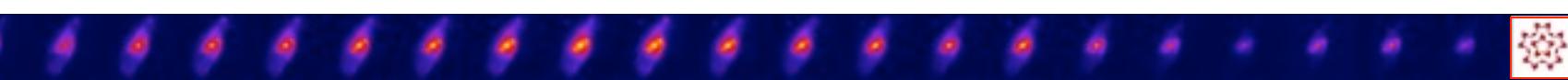
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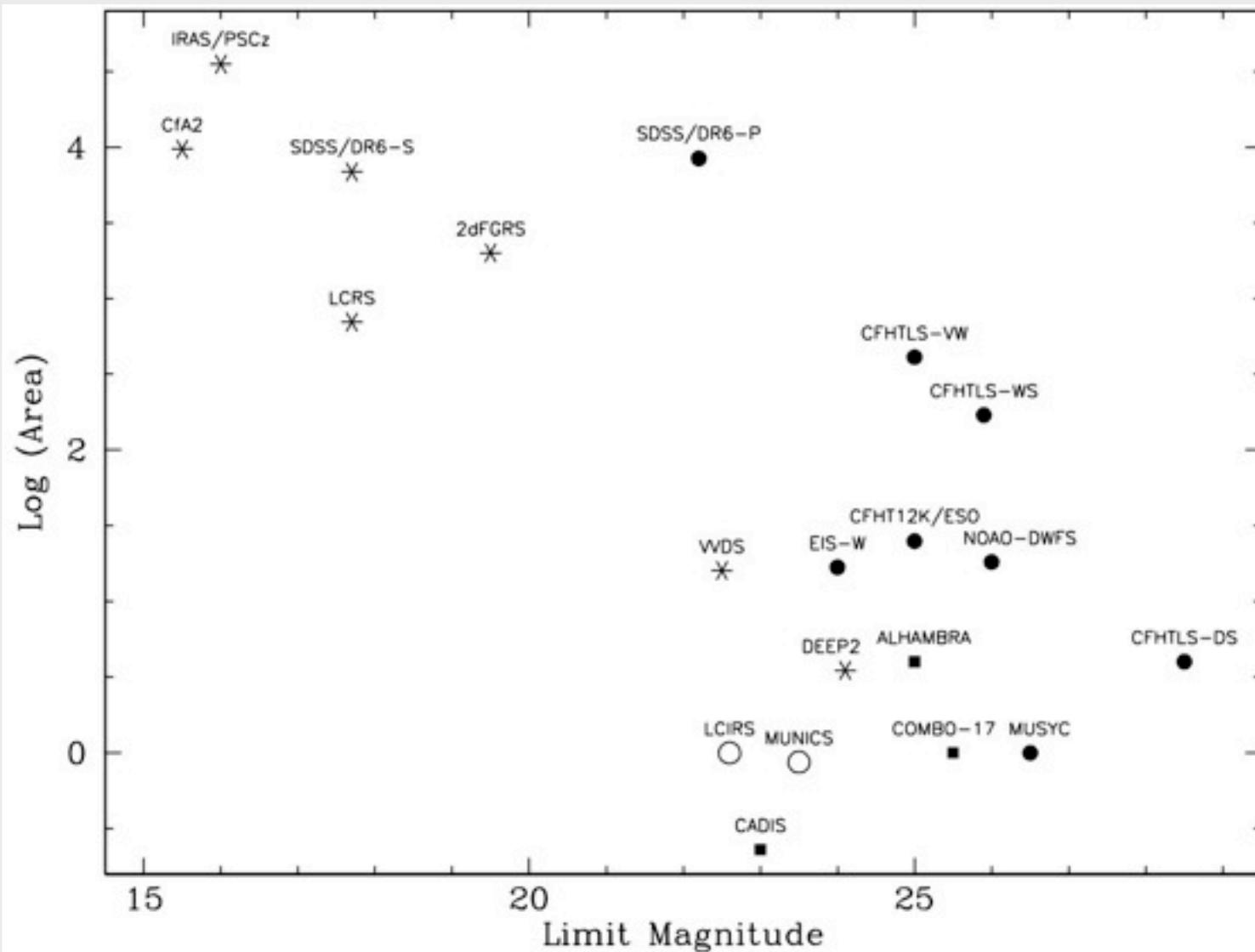
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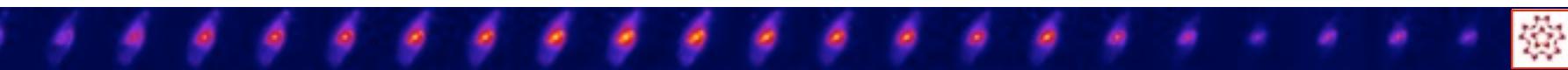
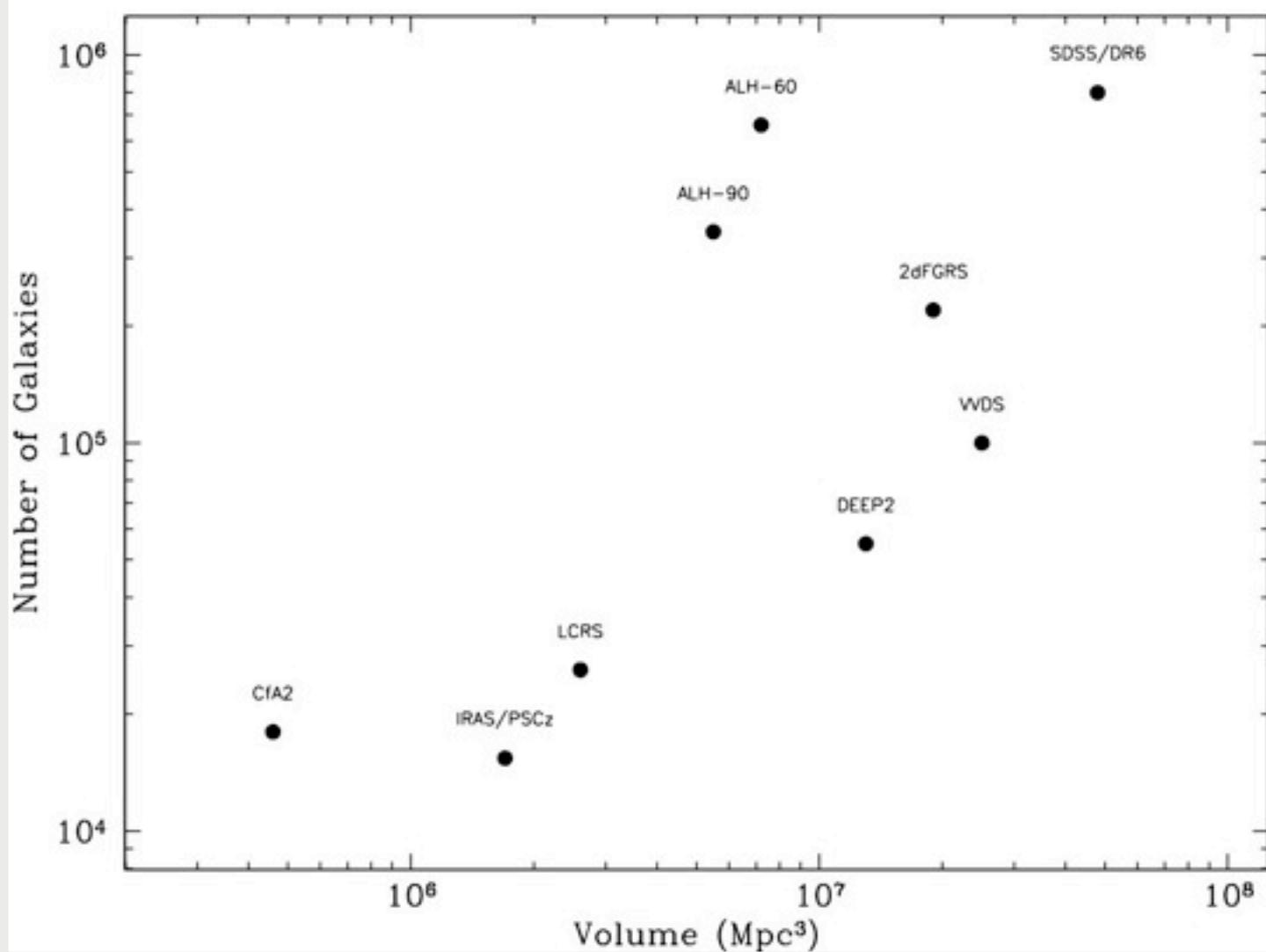


# The ALHAMBRA-survey: Area vs. Magnitude





# The ALHAMBRA-survey: Number of galaxies vs. Volume





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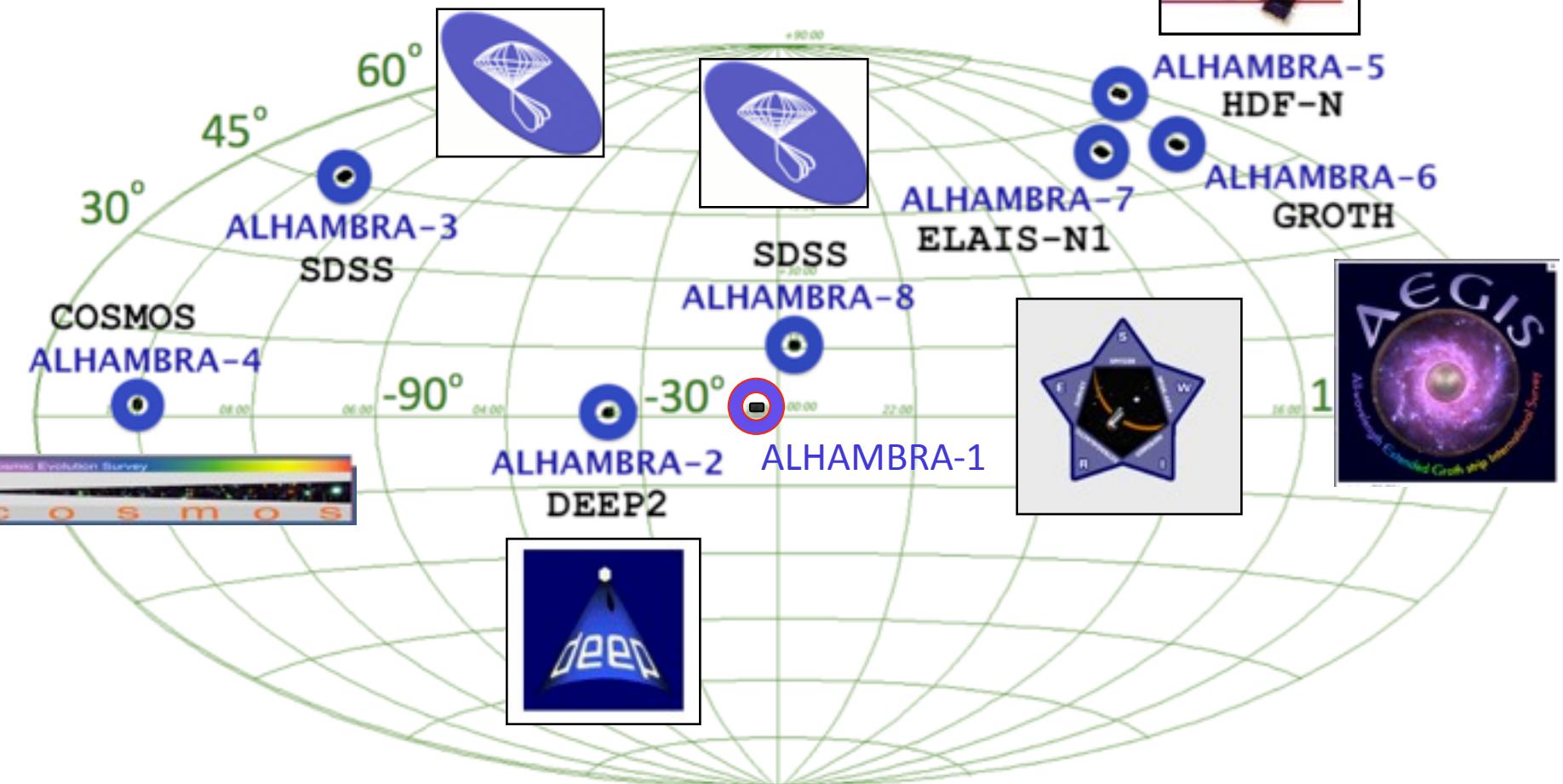
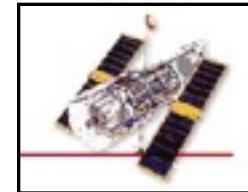
$$t = \int_0^t dt = - \int_0^z \frac{dz}{H_0(1+z)\sqrt{\sum_i \Theta_{i0}(1+z)^{3(1+\omega_i)}}}$$

**Study the Cosmological Evolution of Galaxies through the last  $\sim 10.000$  million years (“Cosmological tomography”).**

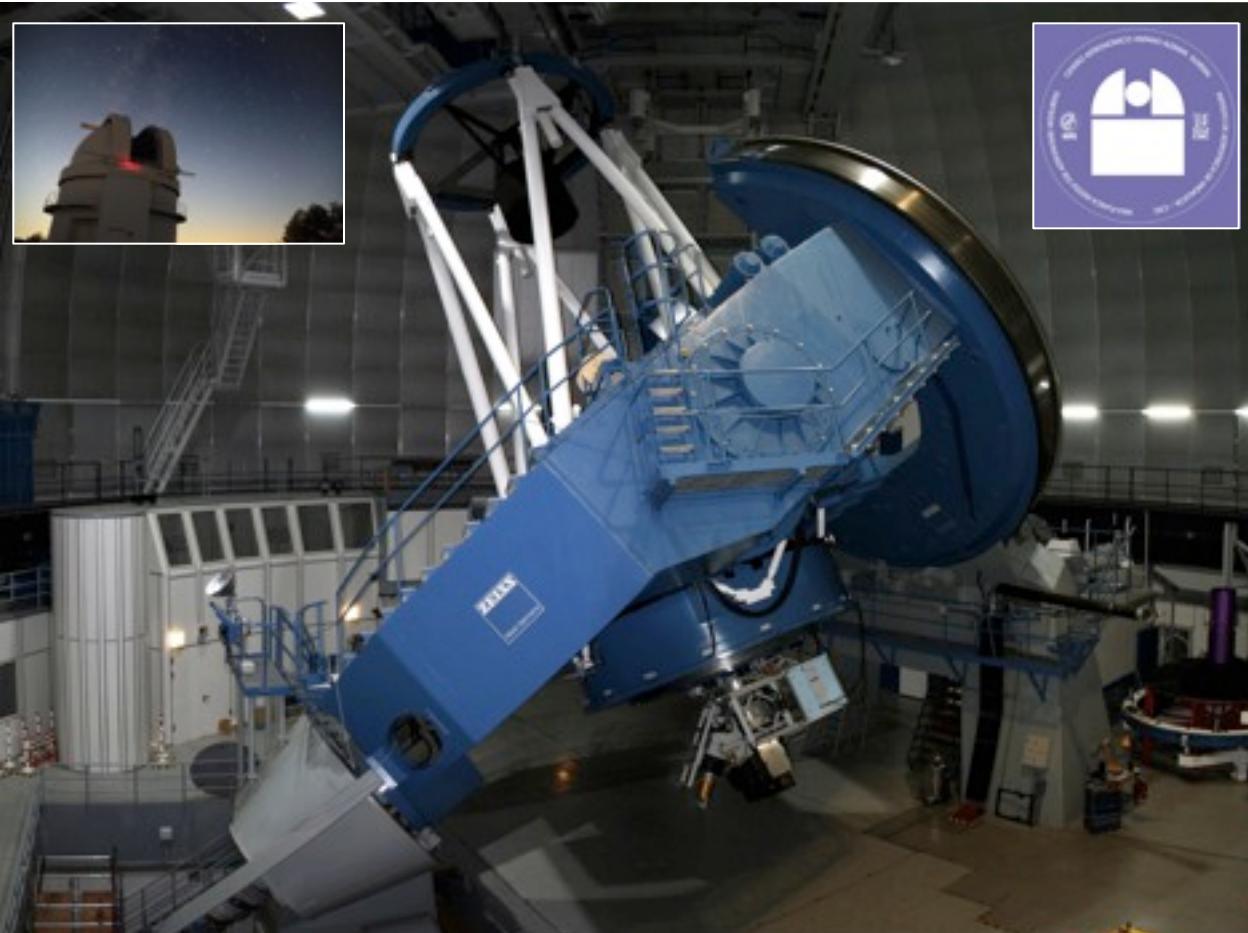
**Differentiate between Cosmic evolution and Cosmic Variance by means of both: 1. the analysis of large Cosmological volumes (to average out local inhomogeneities), and 2. precise measurements of every galaxy redshift, without selection functions.**

**Fill-in a gap between shallow full-sky surveys (SDSS) and very deep pencil-beam surveys (COSMOS), providing a secure knowledge about the processes undertaking in between  $0.1 < z < 1.5$**

ALHAMBRA-survey:  $4 \square^2$ , 8 fields, #  $\sim 600k$  sources

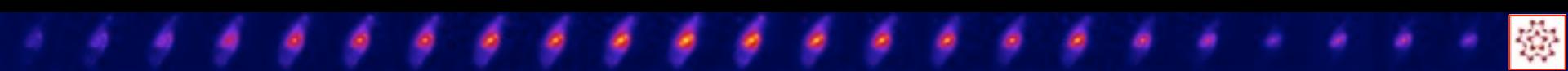


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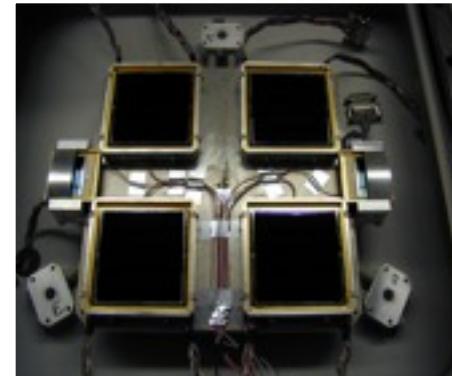


Period : 2005-2012  
Obs.Time: ~700hrs  
(on-target images)  
Seeing: <1.5"

Cristóbal-Hornillos et al. (2009)  
Cristóbal-Hornillos et al. (2014,prep.)

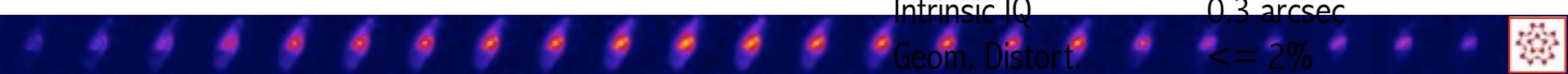


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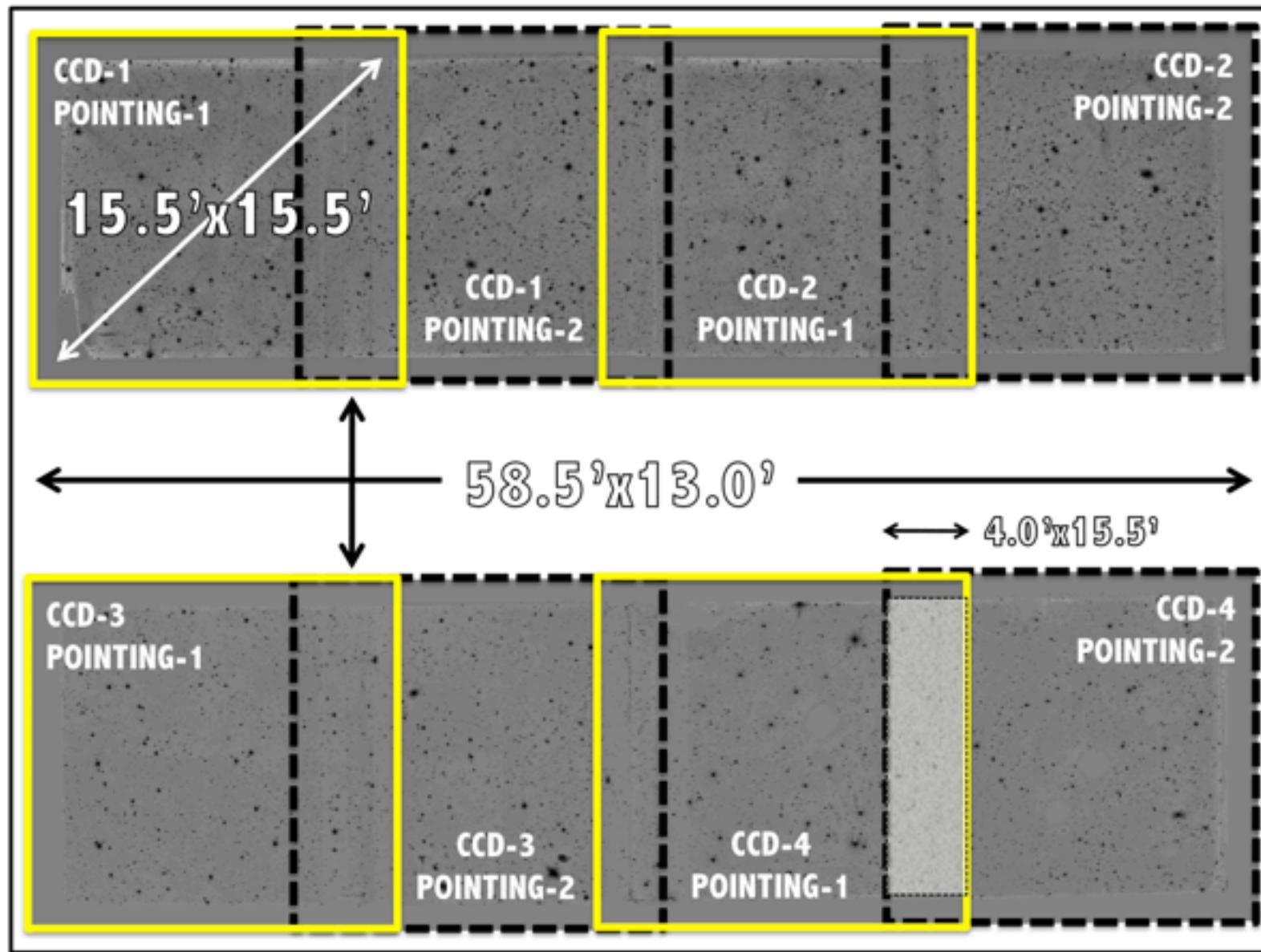


LAICA instrumental setup:

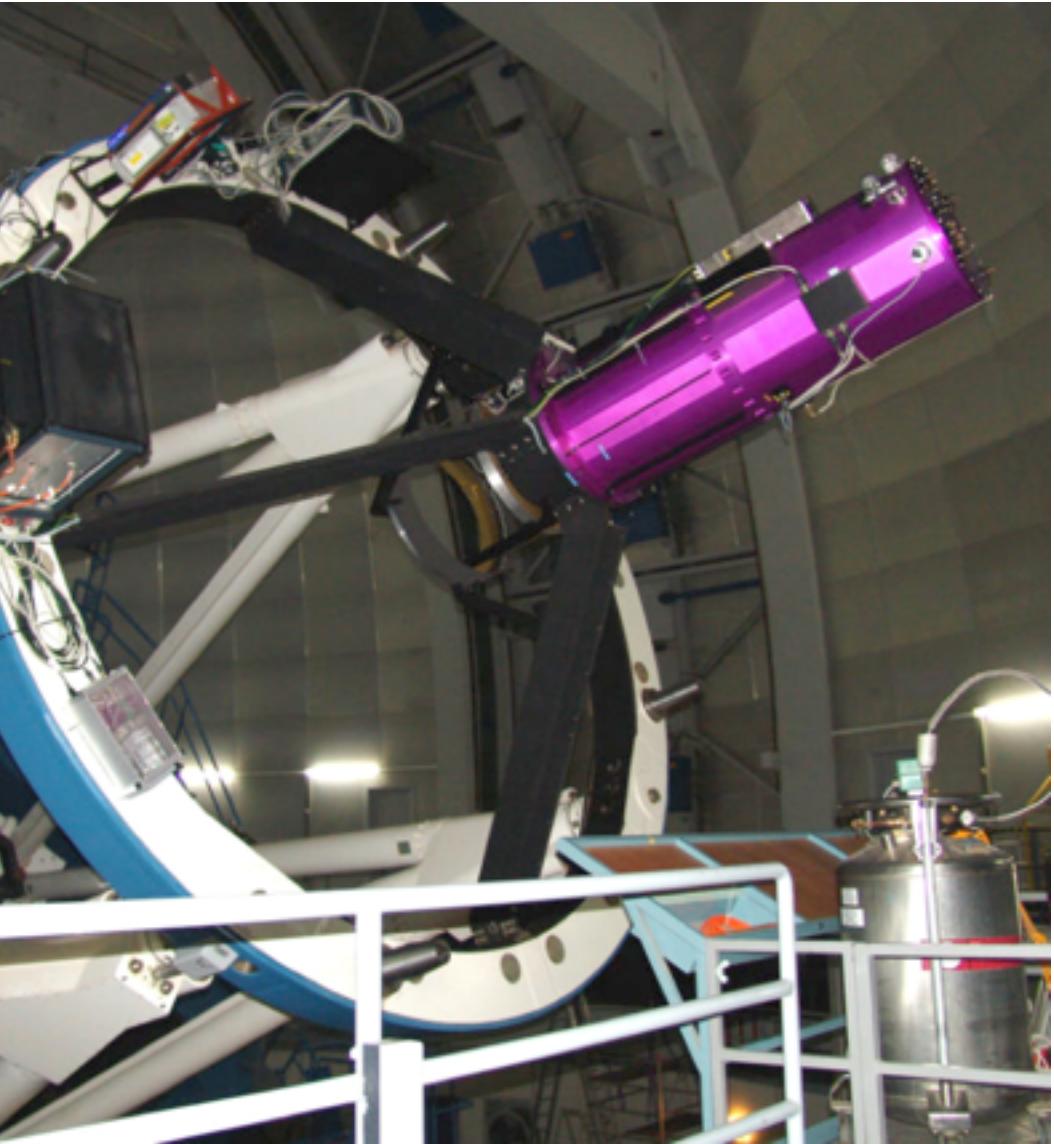
Telescope focus corrector	Prime Focus K3
F Ratio	f/3.9
FoV Field)	44.36' x 44.36' (Wide
Pixel scale	0.225 arcsec/
Detector	2 x 2 mosaic of 4k x 4k
CCDs	
Filling factor	100%
Read-out time	< 100 seconds
Dynam. range	16 bit
Wavel. range	Atmospheric cutoff to
1 micron	
Intrinsic IQ	0.3 arcsec
Geom. Distort.	<= 2%



# The ALHAMBRA Layout & Notation

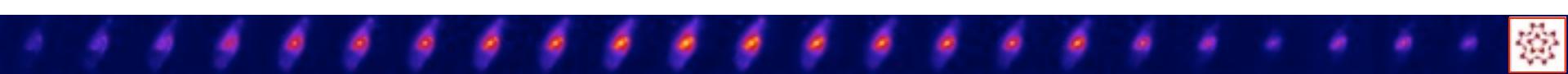


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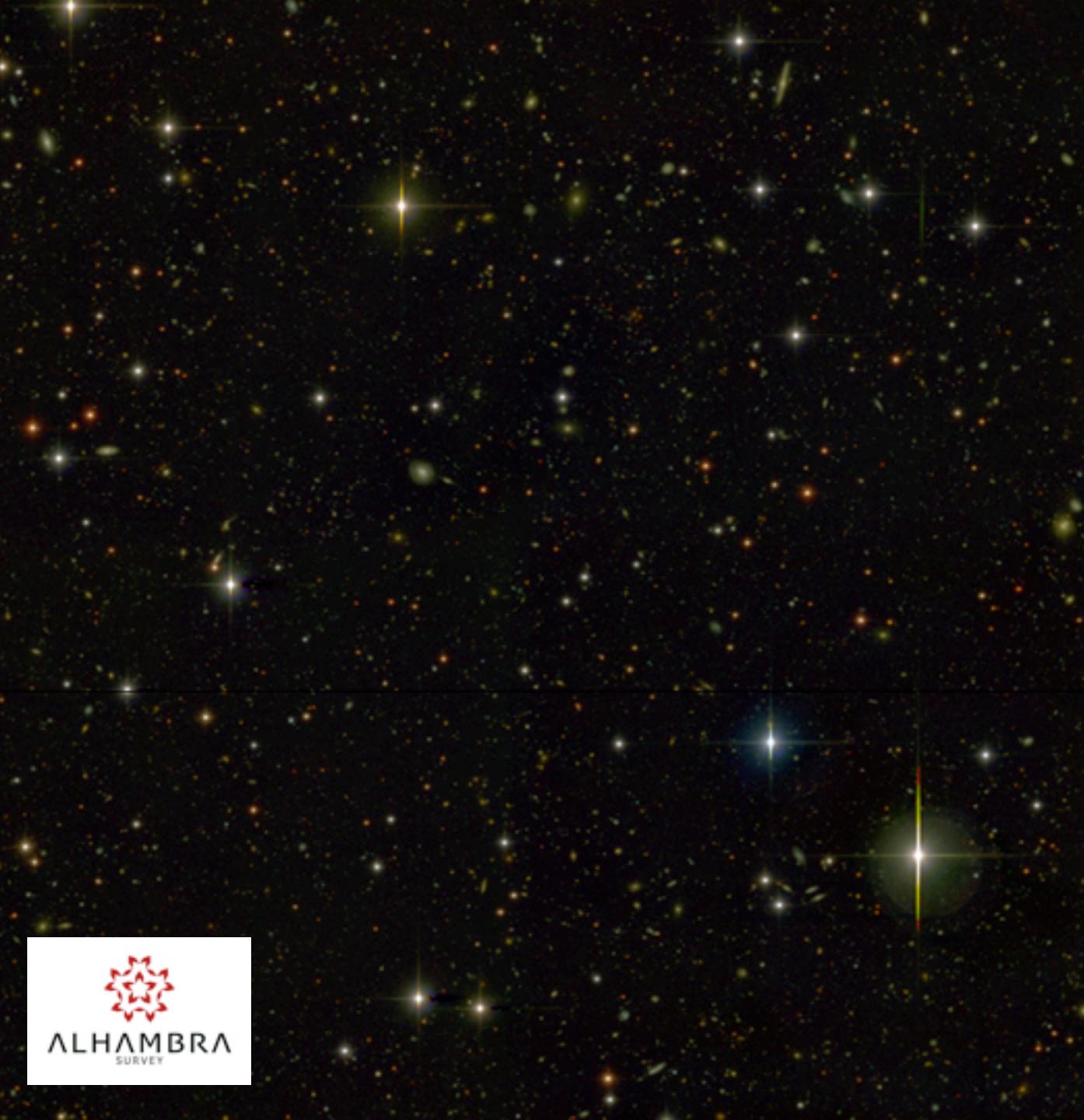
Omega2k instrumental setup:

Telescope focus	Prime Focus HAWAII-2
F Ratio	f/2.35
FoV	15.4' x 15.4'
Pixel scale	0.44962 arcsec/pixel
Detector	2048 x 2048 pixels
Filling factor	100%
Read-out time	< 200 seconds
Dynam. range	32 bit
Wavel. range	< 2600 nm (Quant.Eff)
Intrinsic IQ	0.12 arcsec
Geom. Distort.	< 1%
Data format	FITS





**SDSS III**



Total on-target  
exposure time  
~45 hours/pointing

100.000s Optical + 4x15.000s NIR

2 x 8 fields ~ 720 hours



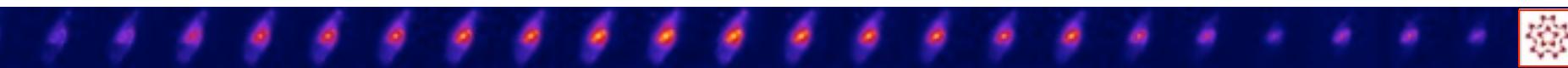
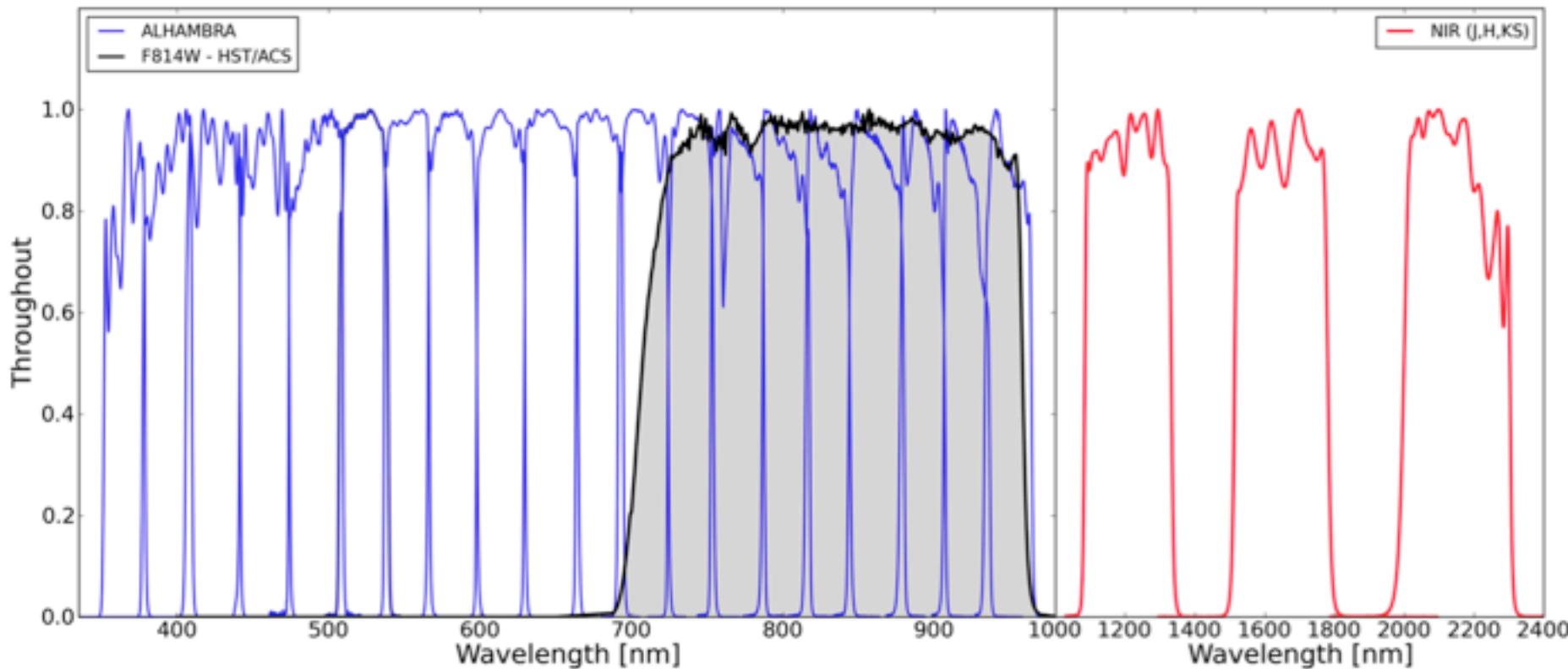
# The ALHAMBRA survey

## Filter system

Moles et al. 2008

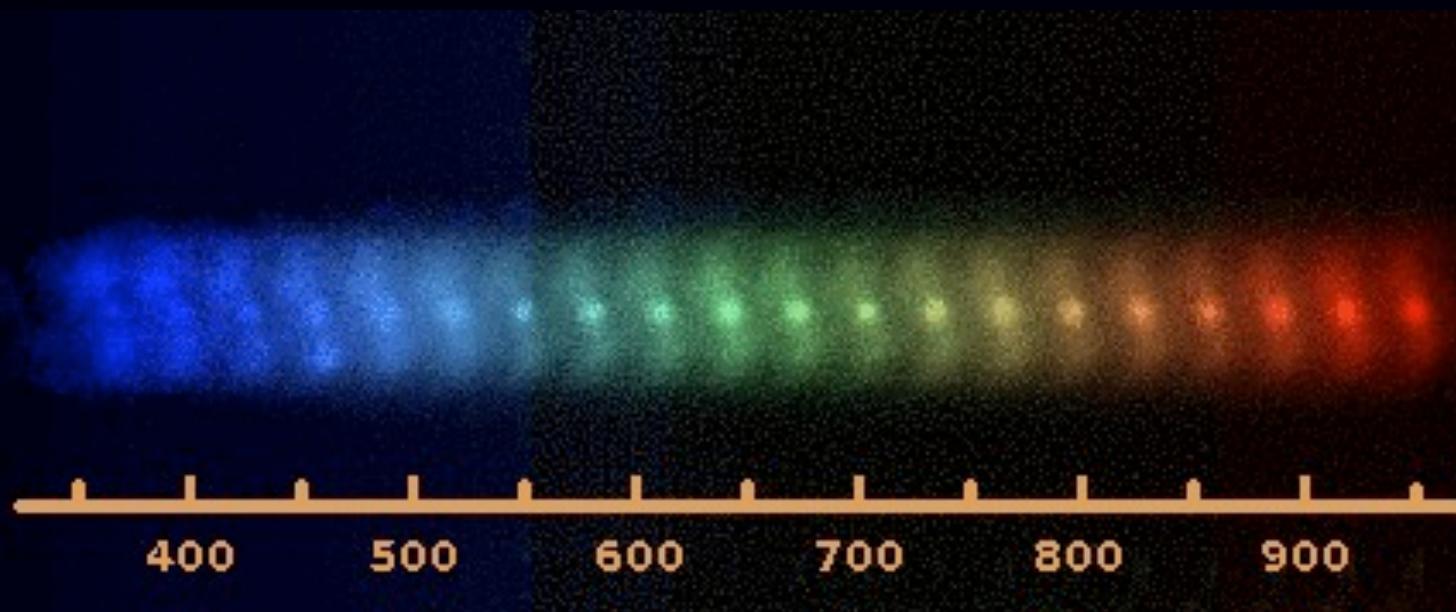
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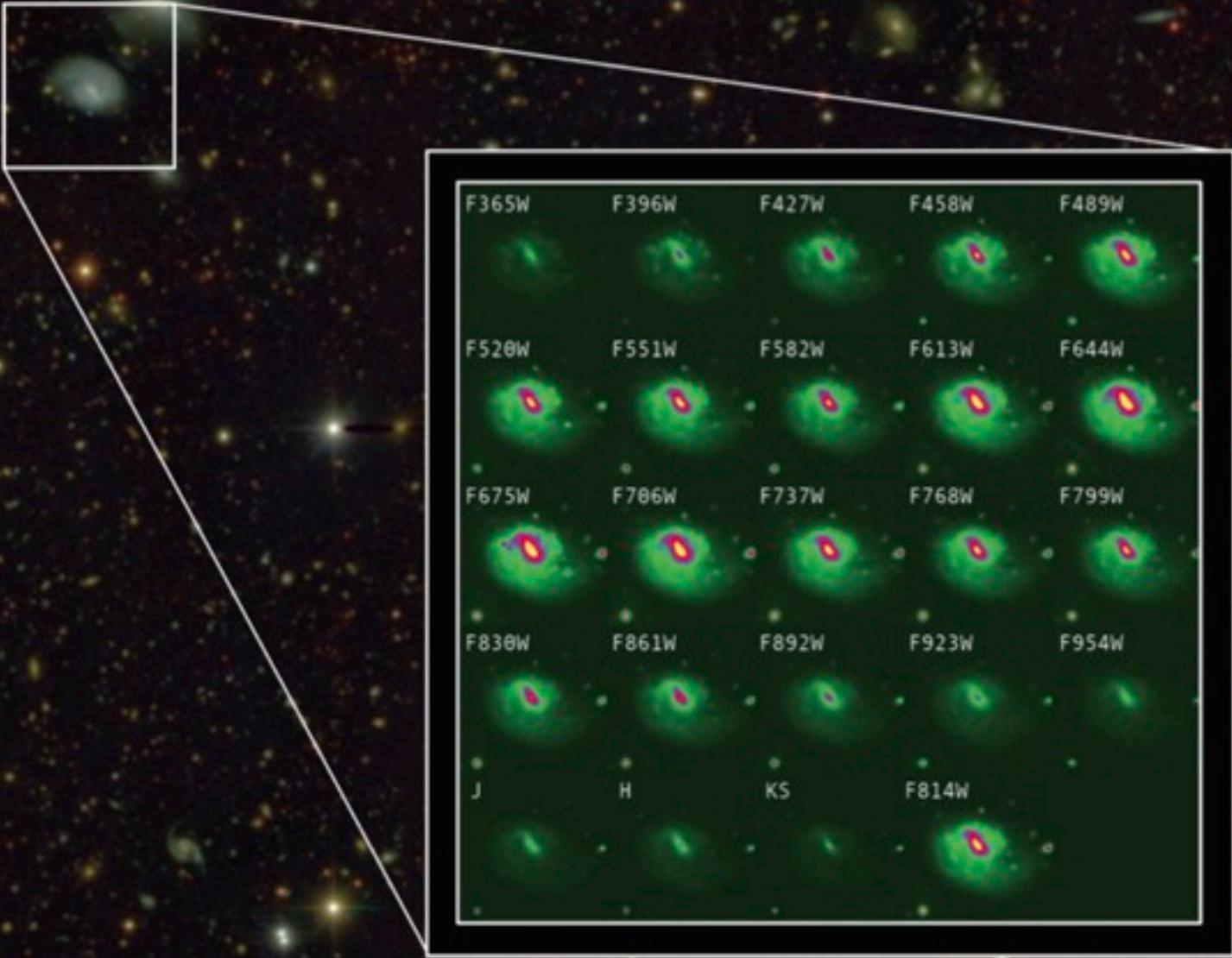


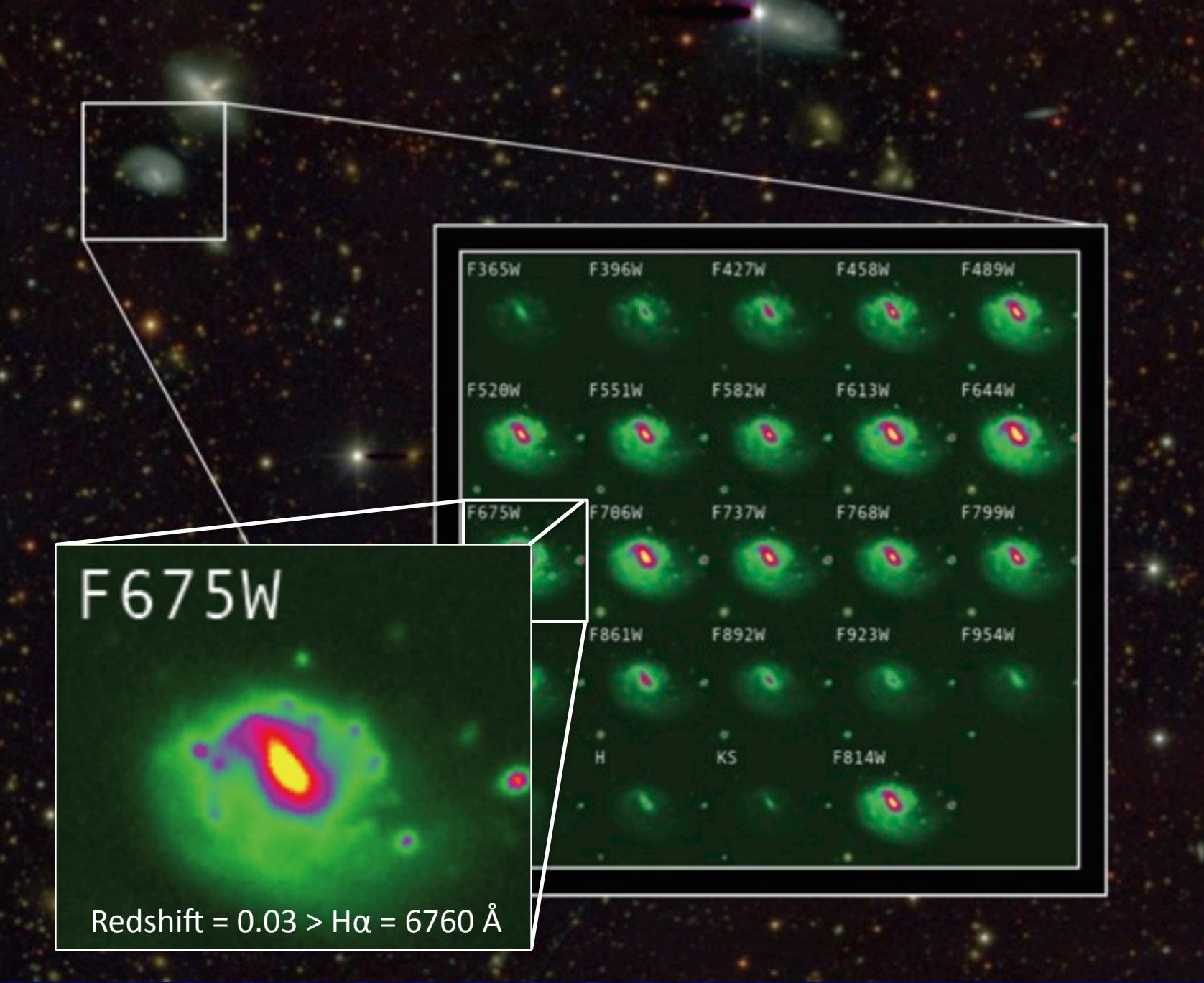
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ALHAMBRA data are similar, in concept,  
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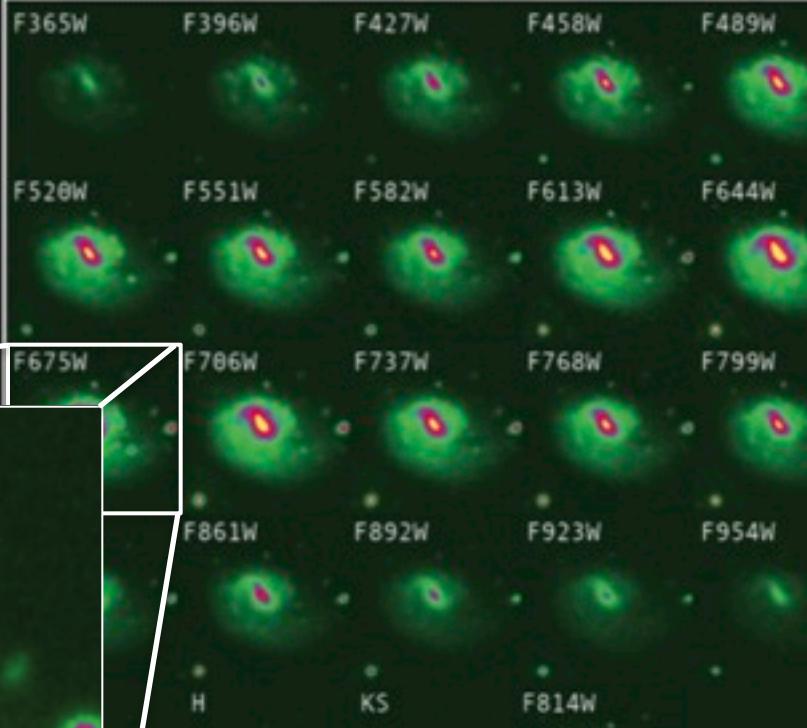






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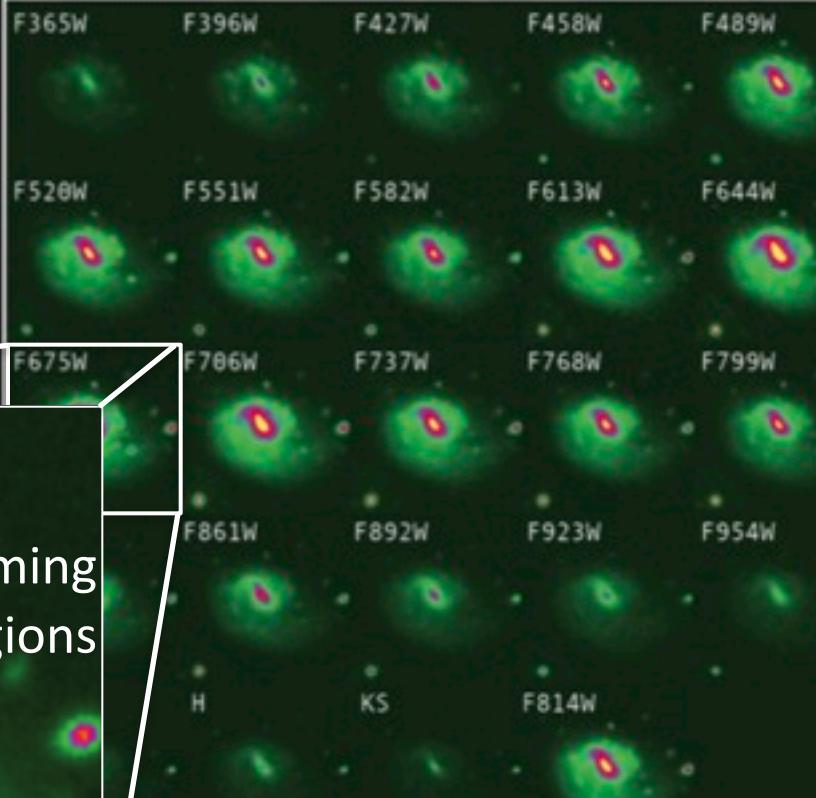
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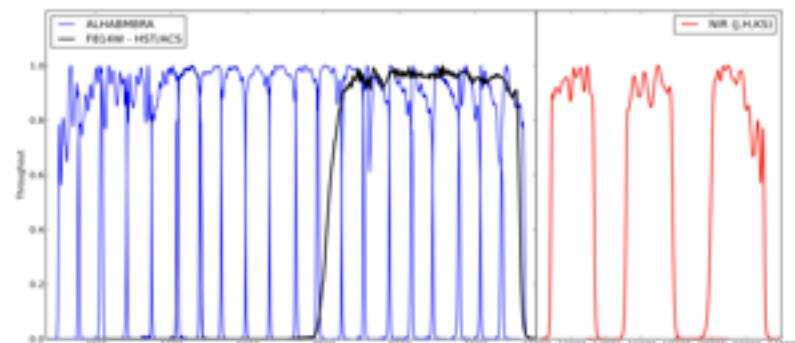
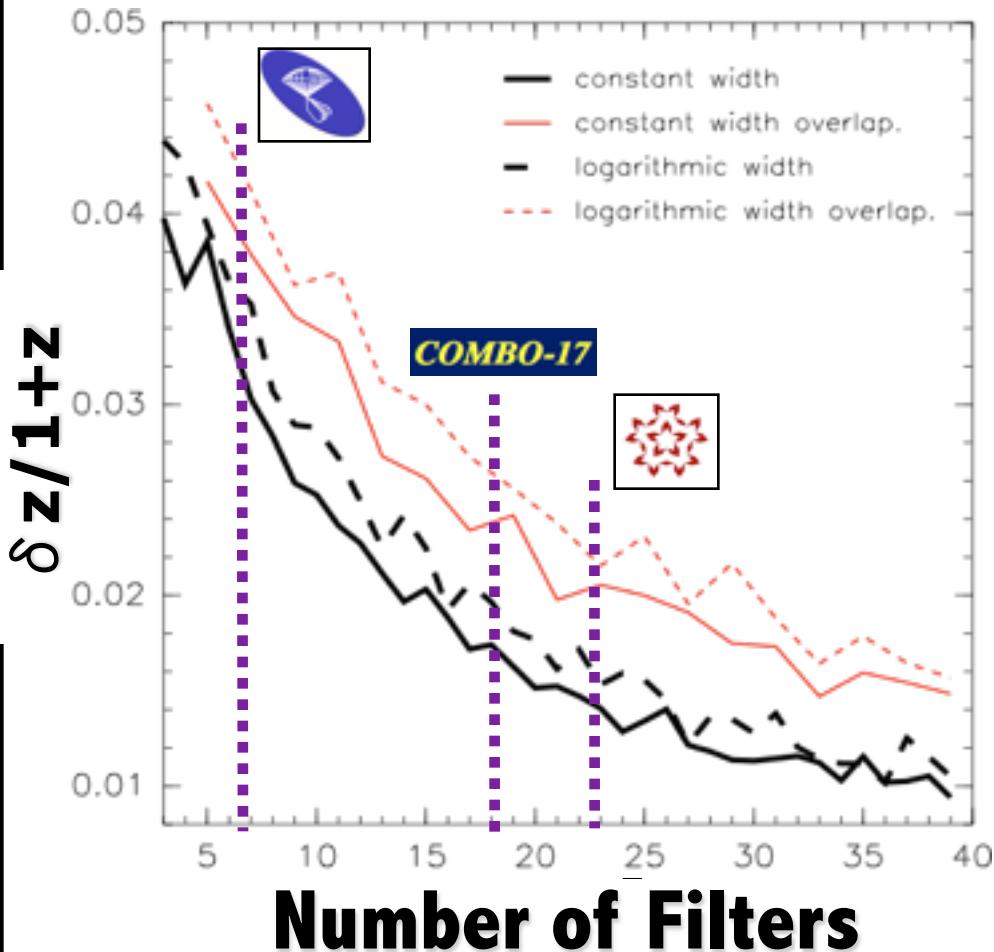
Star-forming  
regions

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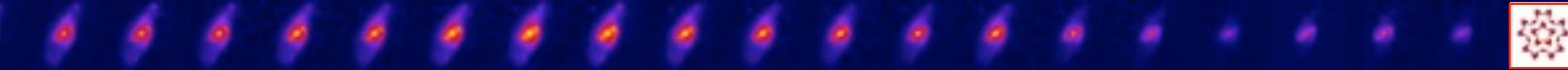
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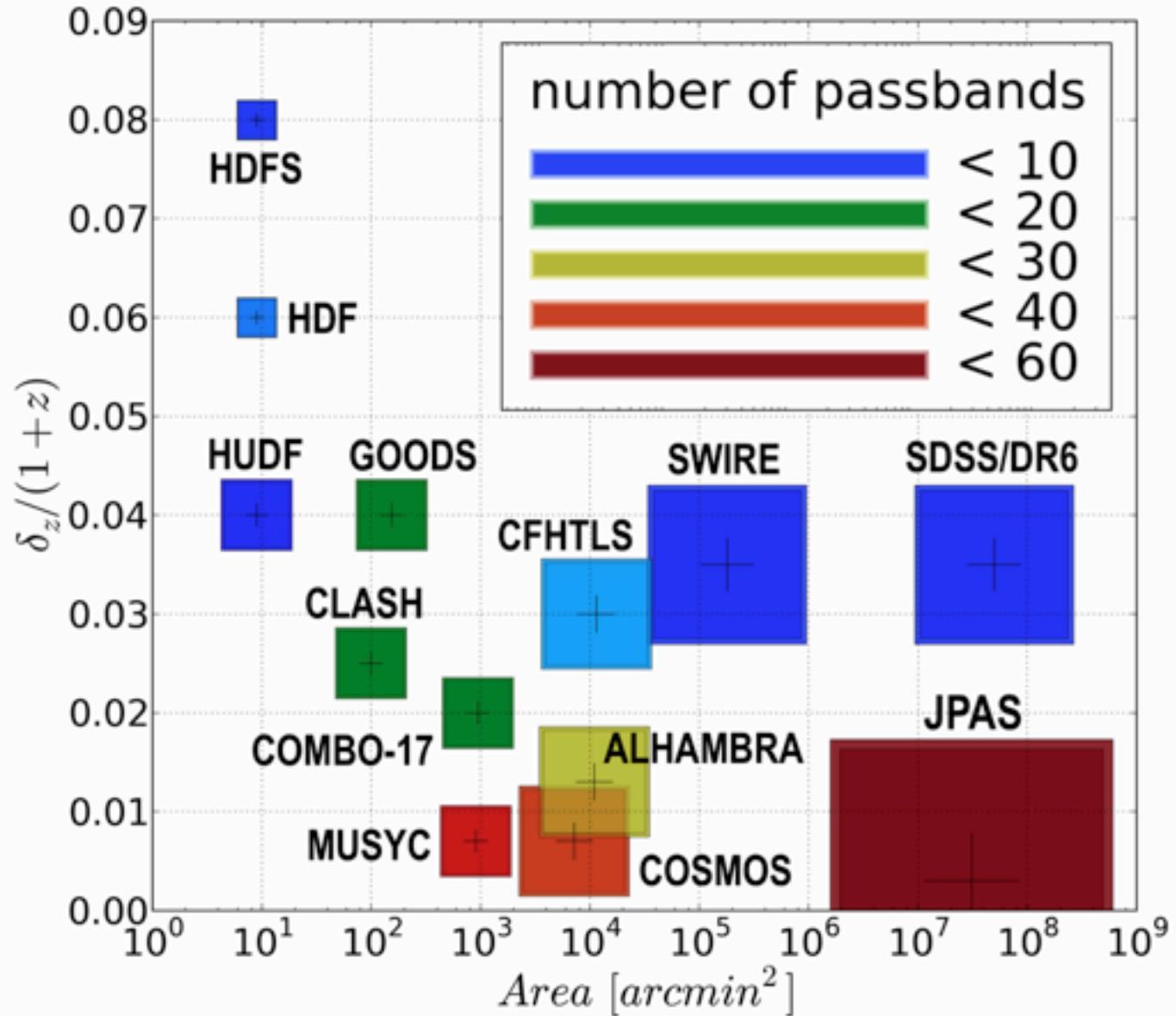
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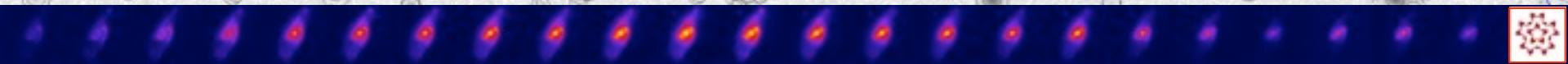
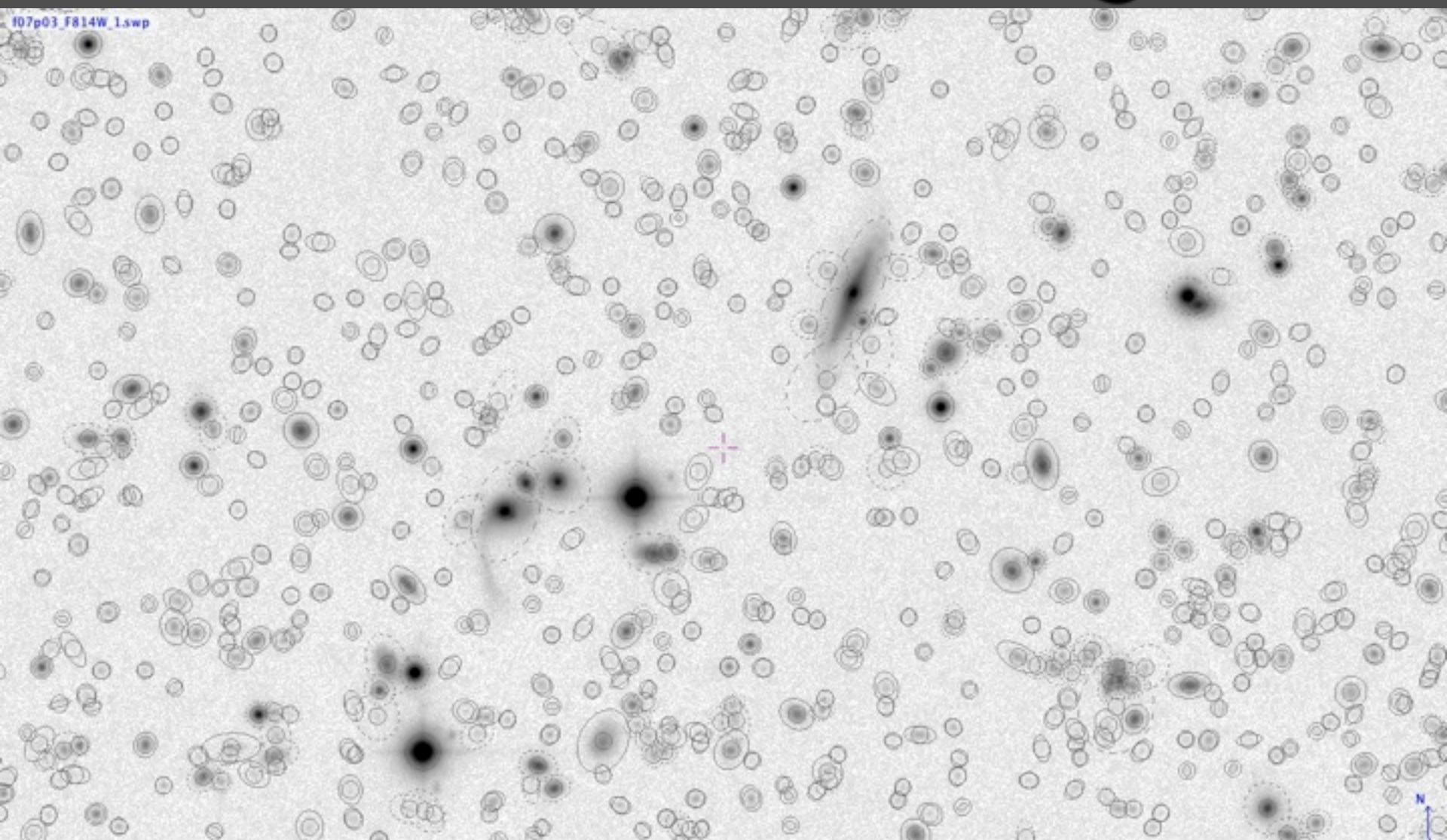
Photometric Redshift surveys

survey	Reference	Bands	$\delta_z/(1+z)$
HDF	Sawicki (1997)	4	0.080
SDSS/DR6	Csabai (2003)	5	0.035
SWIRE	Rowan-Robinson (2008)	5	0.035
HUDF	Coe (2006)	6	0.040
HDF	Fernández-Soto (1999)	7	0.060
CFHTLS	Ilbert (2006)	9	0.030
GOODS	Dahlen (2010)	12	0.040
CLASH	Molino (2013, prep.)	16	0.025
COMBO-17	Wolf (2004)	17	0.020
<b>ALHAMBRA</b>	Molino (this work)	23	0.013
COSMOS	Ilbert (2009)	30	0.007
MUSYC	Cardamone (2010)	32	0.007
JPAS	Benítez (2009a, 2013, prep.)	59	0.003



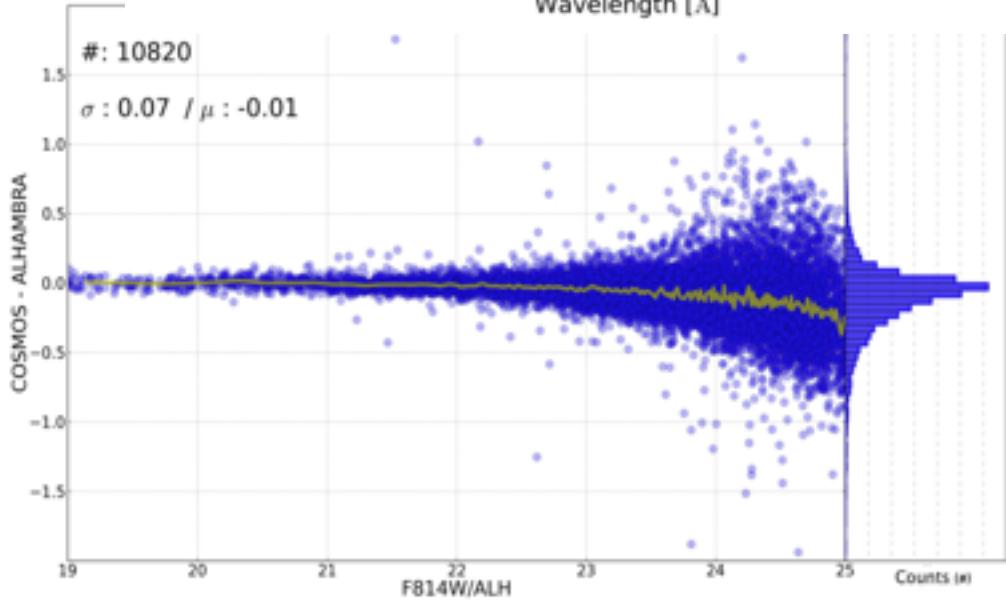
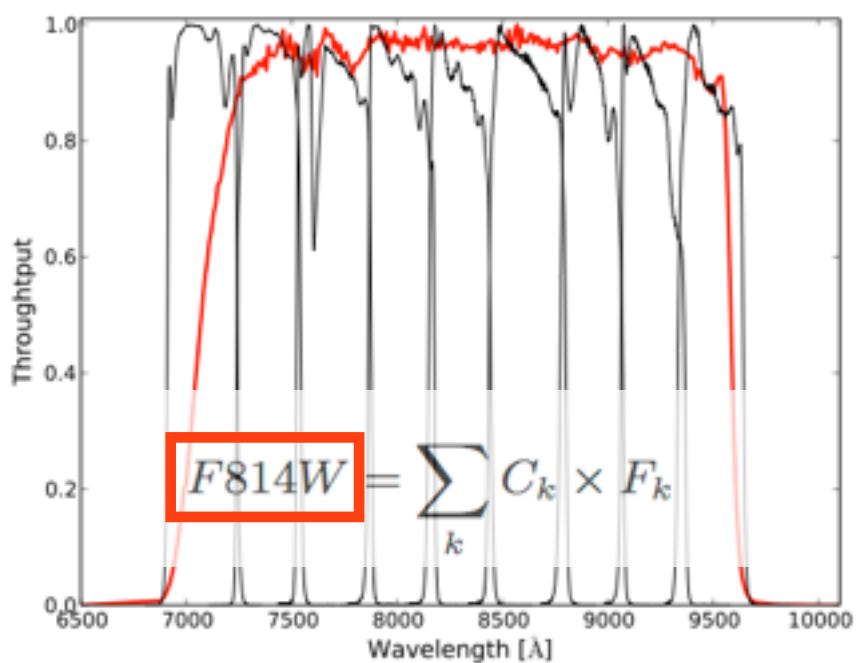
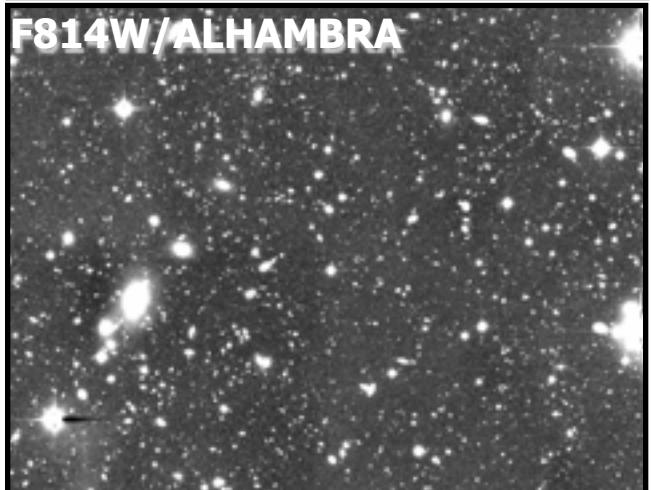
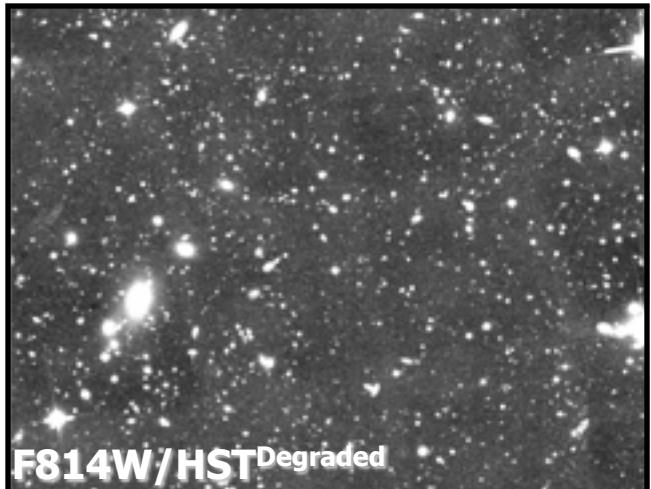


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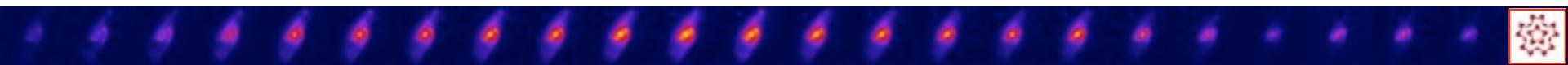


# Synthetic Images F814W/ACS

Transformation equations computed from galaxy colors instead of stellar colors.



# **Bayesian Photometric Redshifts**



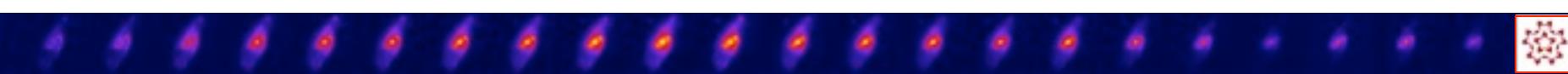
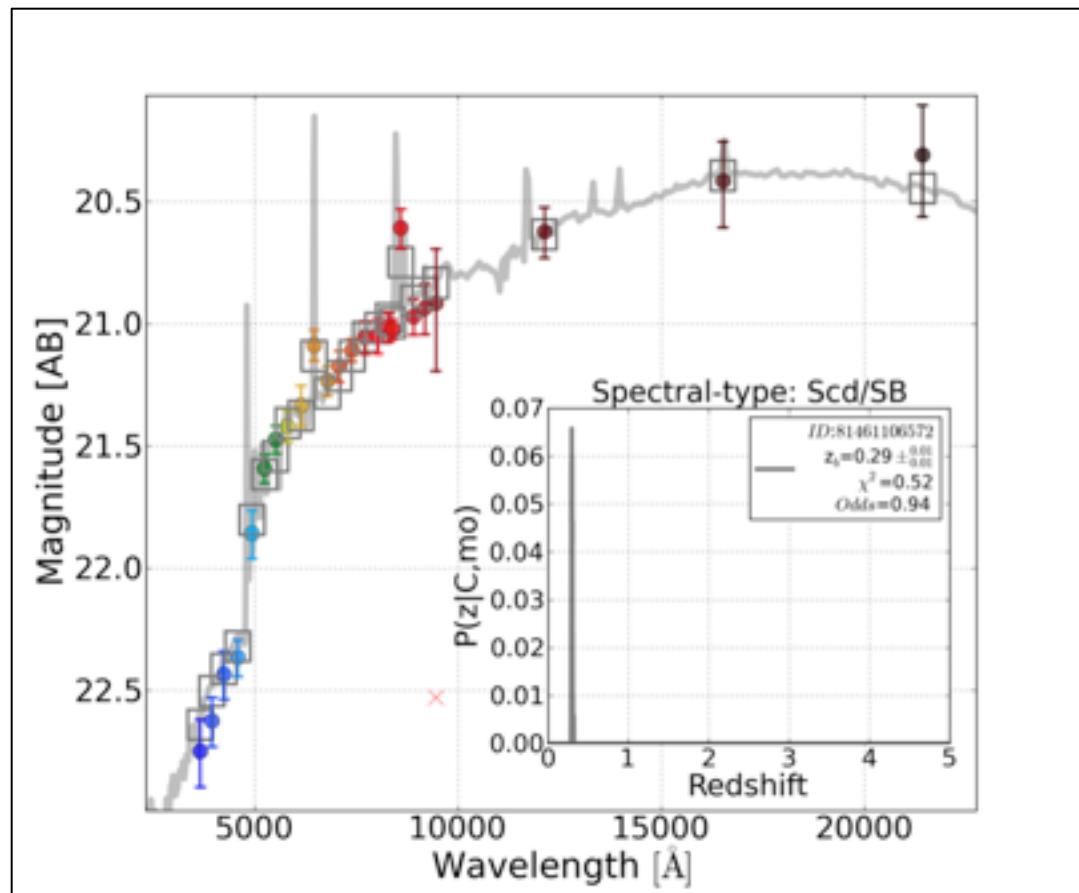
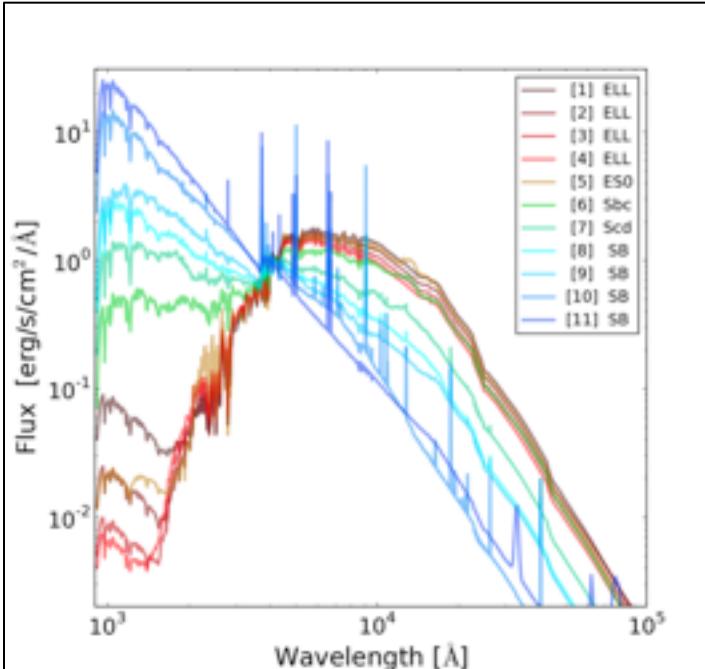


(Benítez, N. 2000, ApJ, 536, 571)

## New BPZ (v2.0)

- SED-fitting method, where a maximum likelihood is weighted by a prior probability.
- Provides the most likely redshift, spectral-type, mass content and Absolute Magnitudes.

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{[f_i^{obs} - s f_i^{temp}(z, T)]^2}{\sigma_i^2}$$

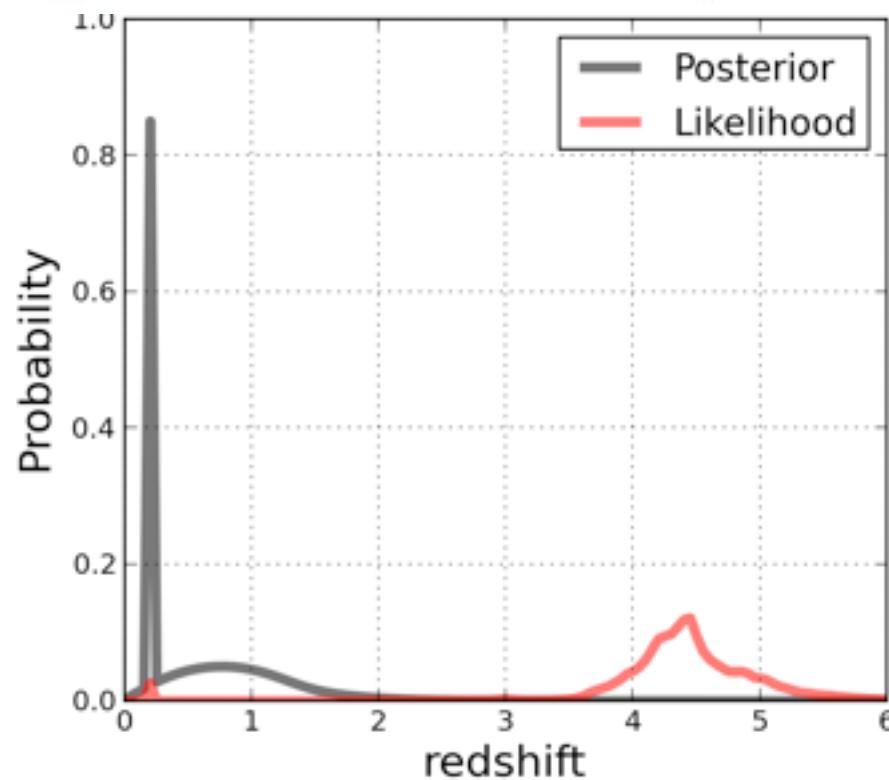




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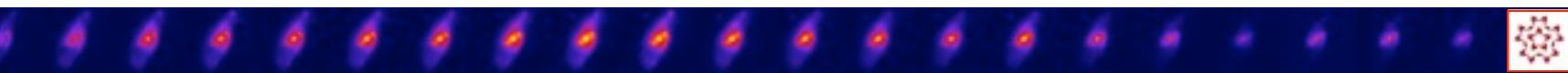
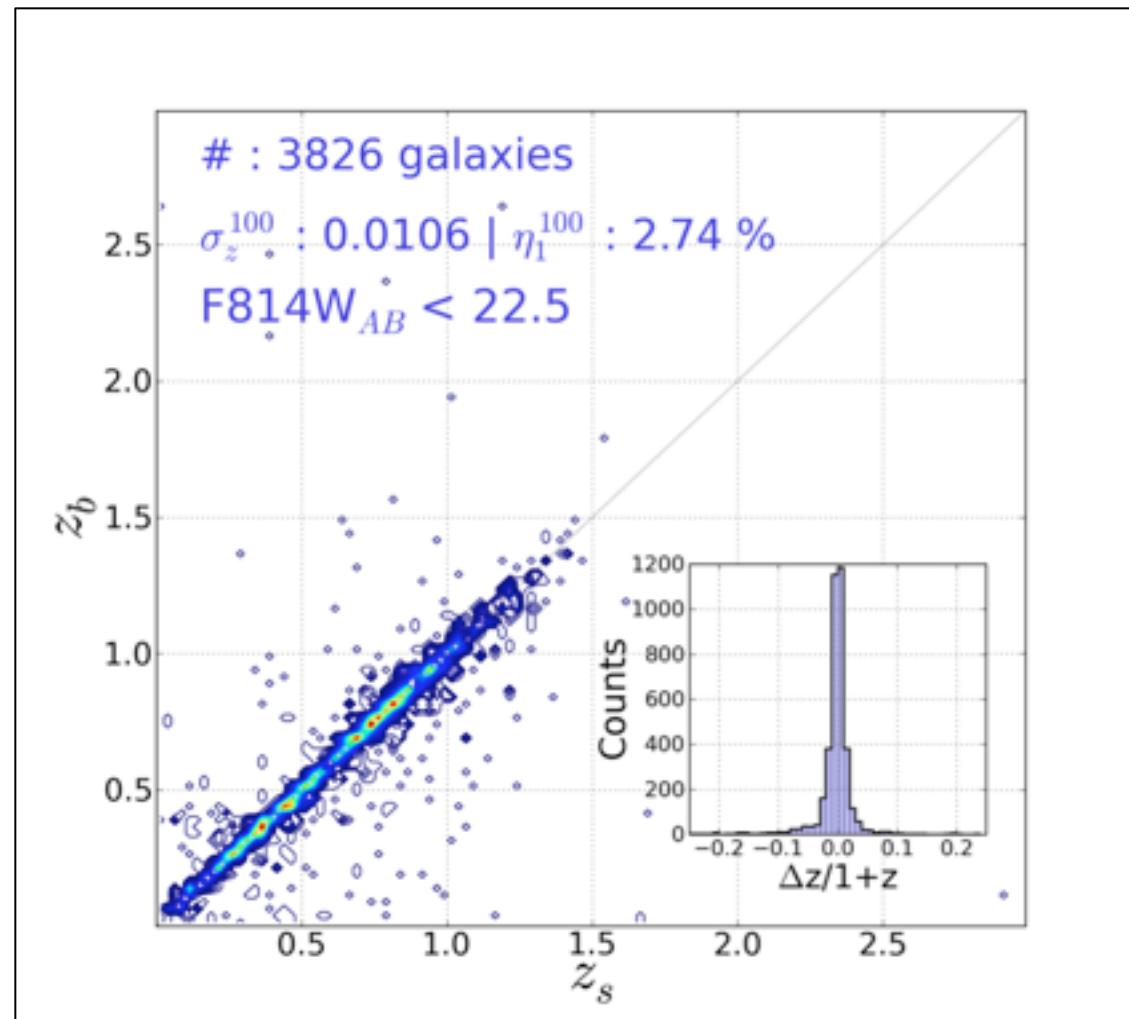
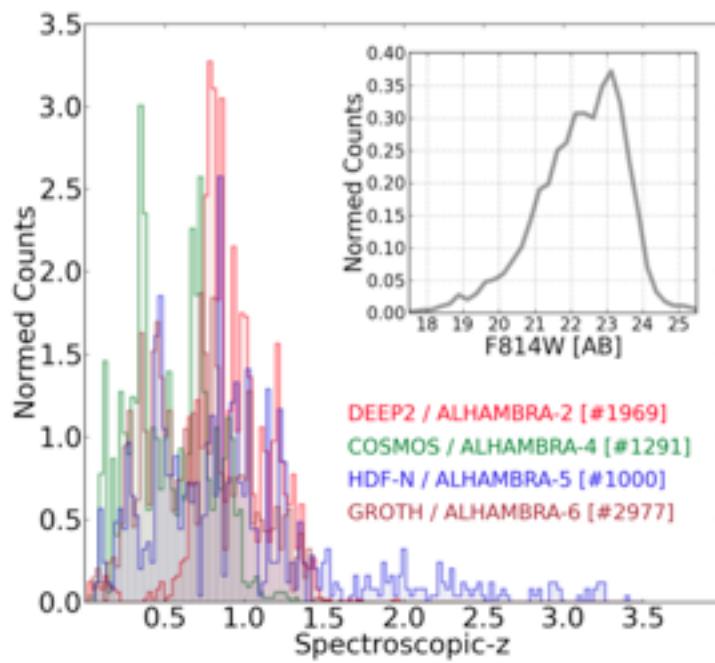
# LIKELIHOOD\* PRIORITY

$$p(z|C, m_0) = \sum_T p(z, T|C, m_0) \propto \sum_T p(z, T|m_0)p(C|z, T)$$



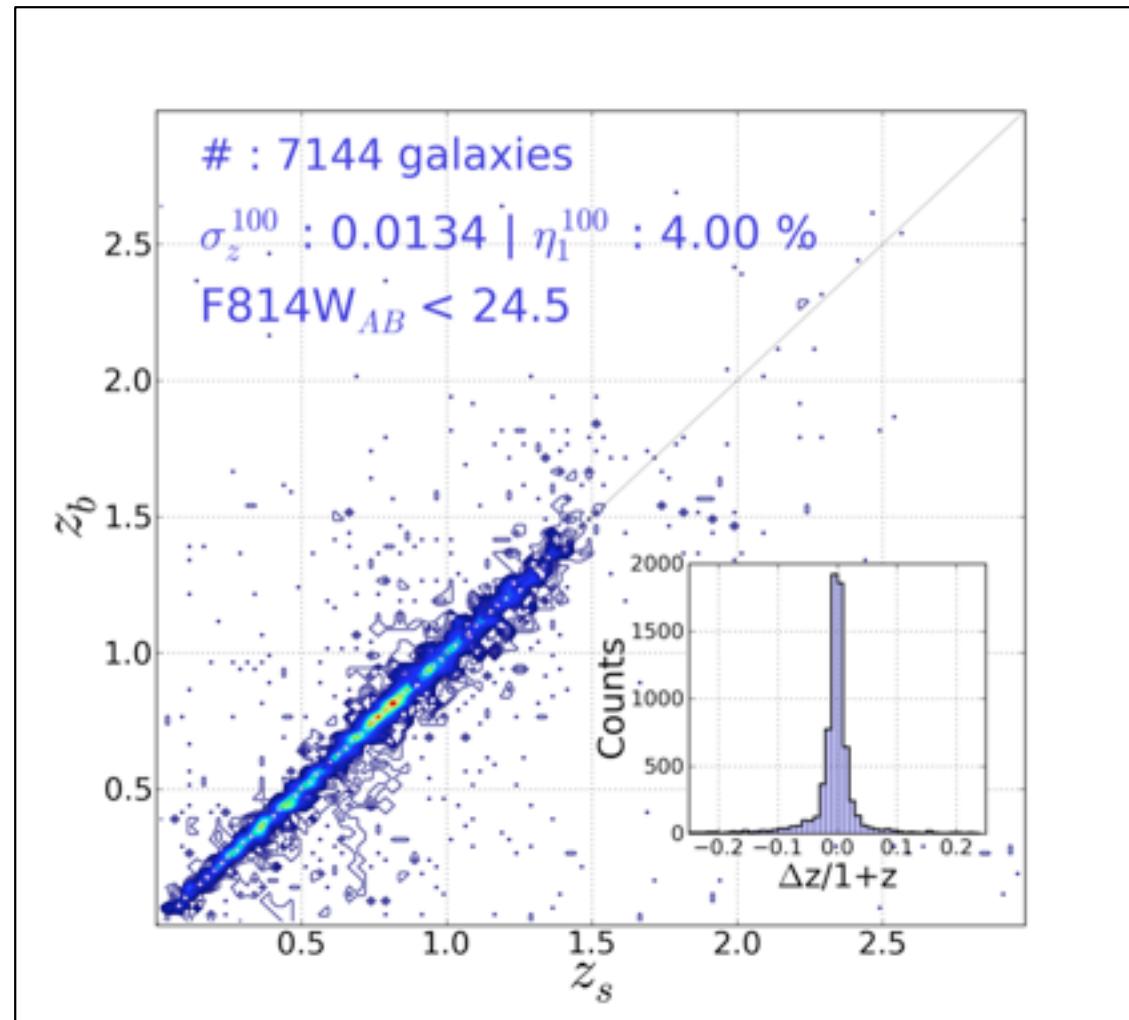
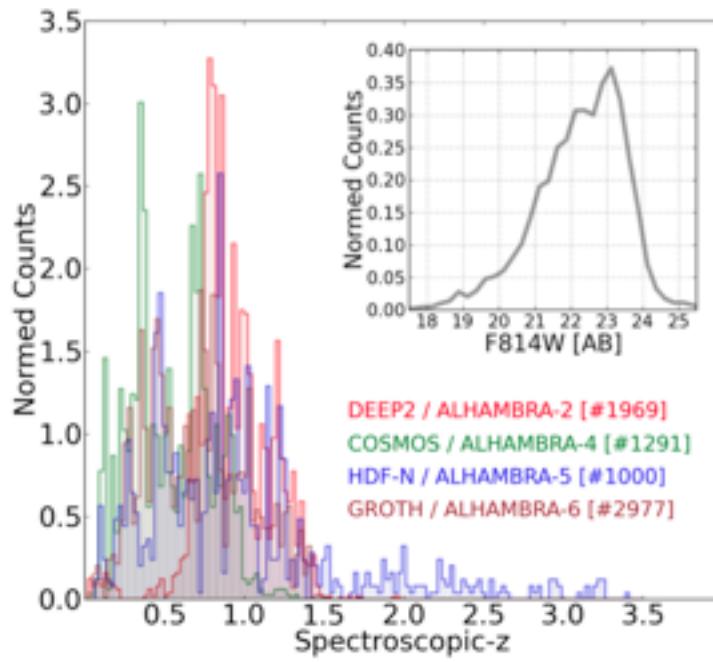
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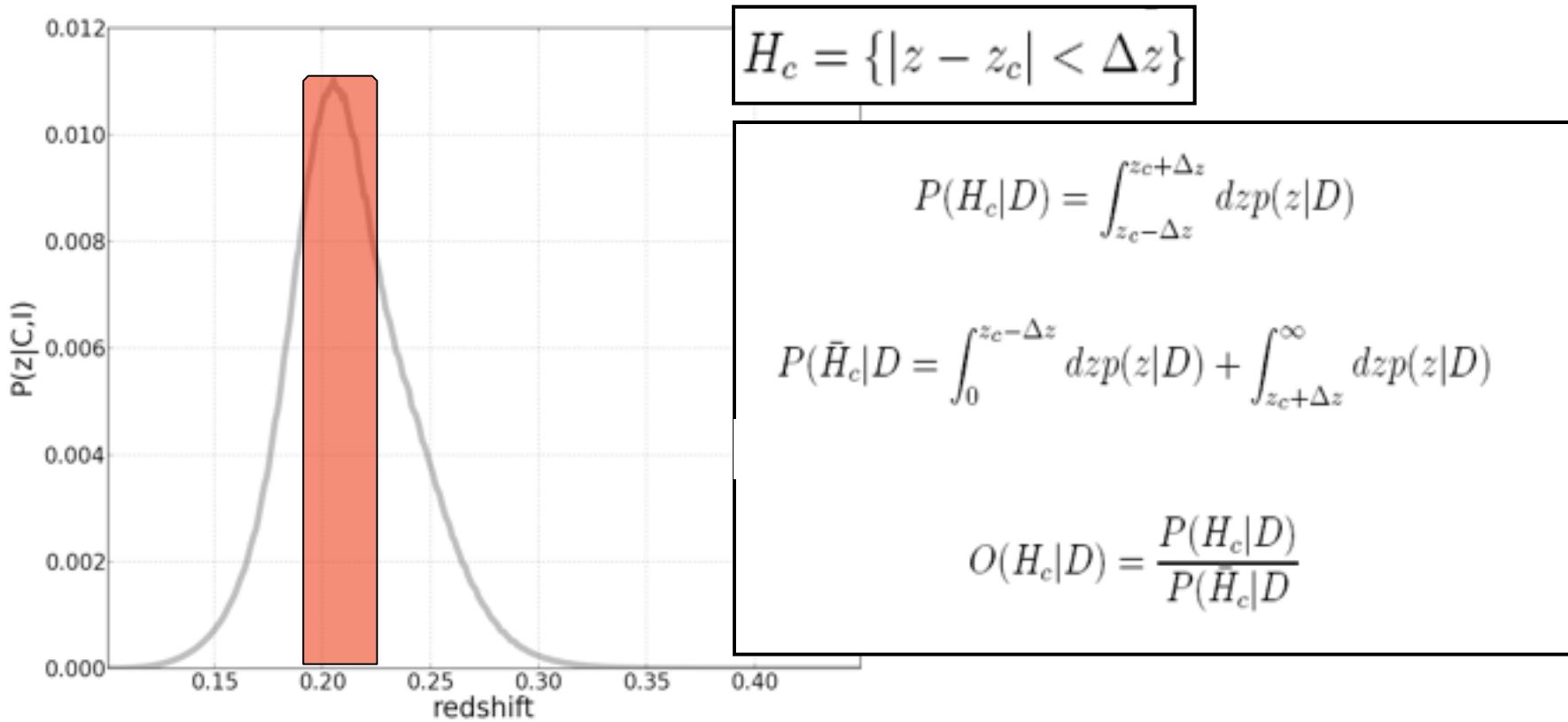
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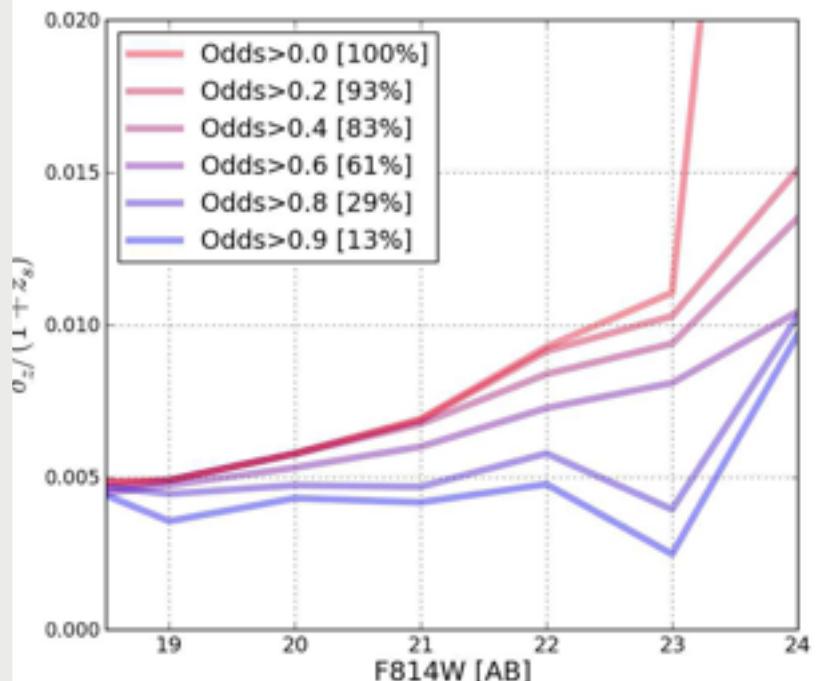
# The secret is in the **ODDs**:

- The ODDs parameter represents the amount of integrated probability within a fixed interval around the main peak of the  $p(z)$  distribution.
- The ODDS parameter is a measurement of the quality of the photo-z estimation, making possible to select very secure and accurate photometric-z.

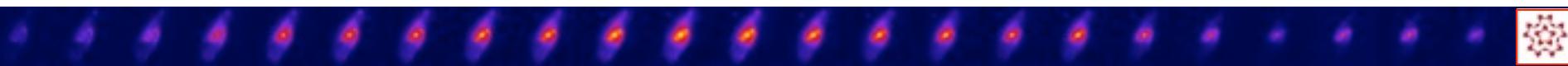
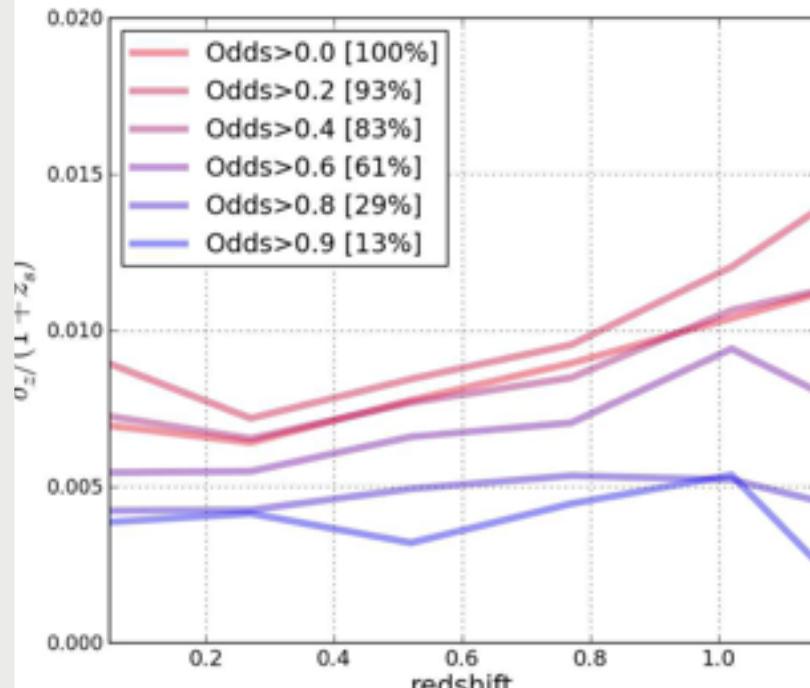


# Expected accuracy as a function of...

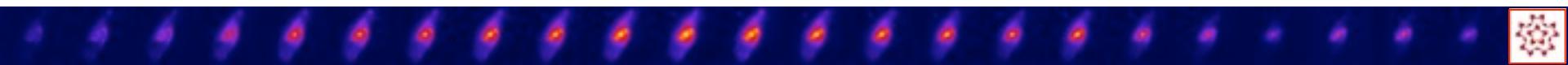
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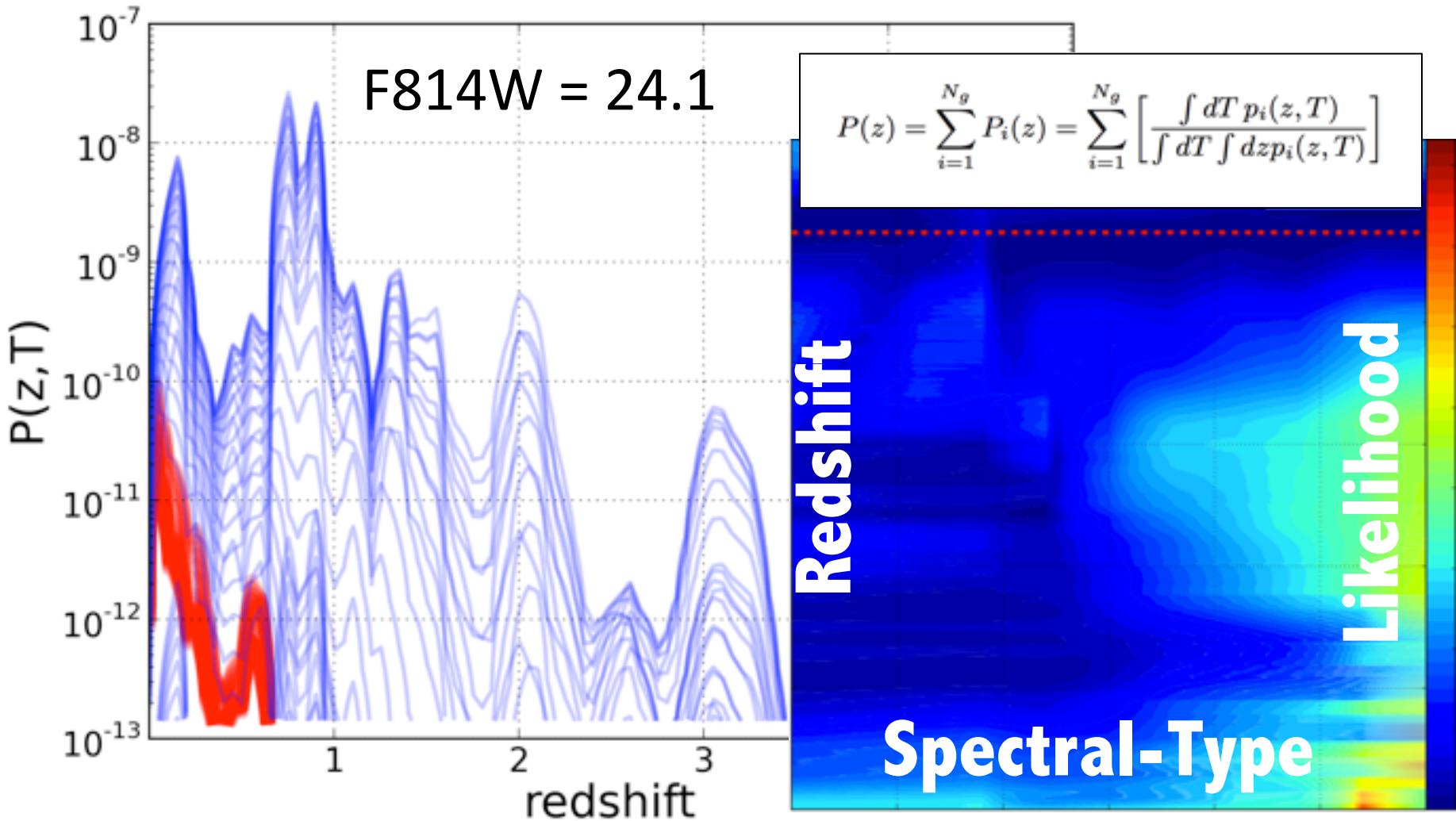


# **Cosmic Variance vs Cosmic Evolution**

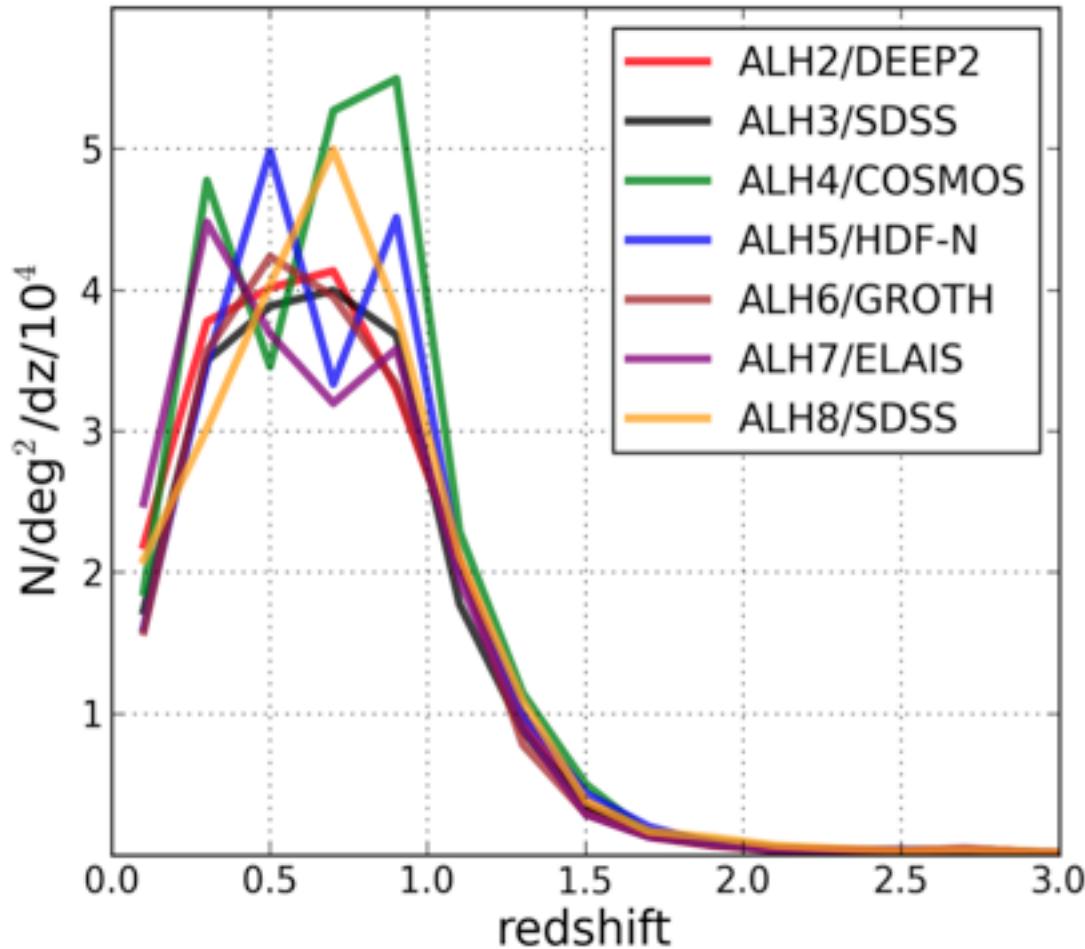


# The complete $P(z, T)$ contains every possible scenario

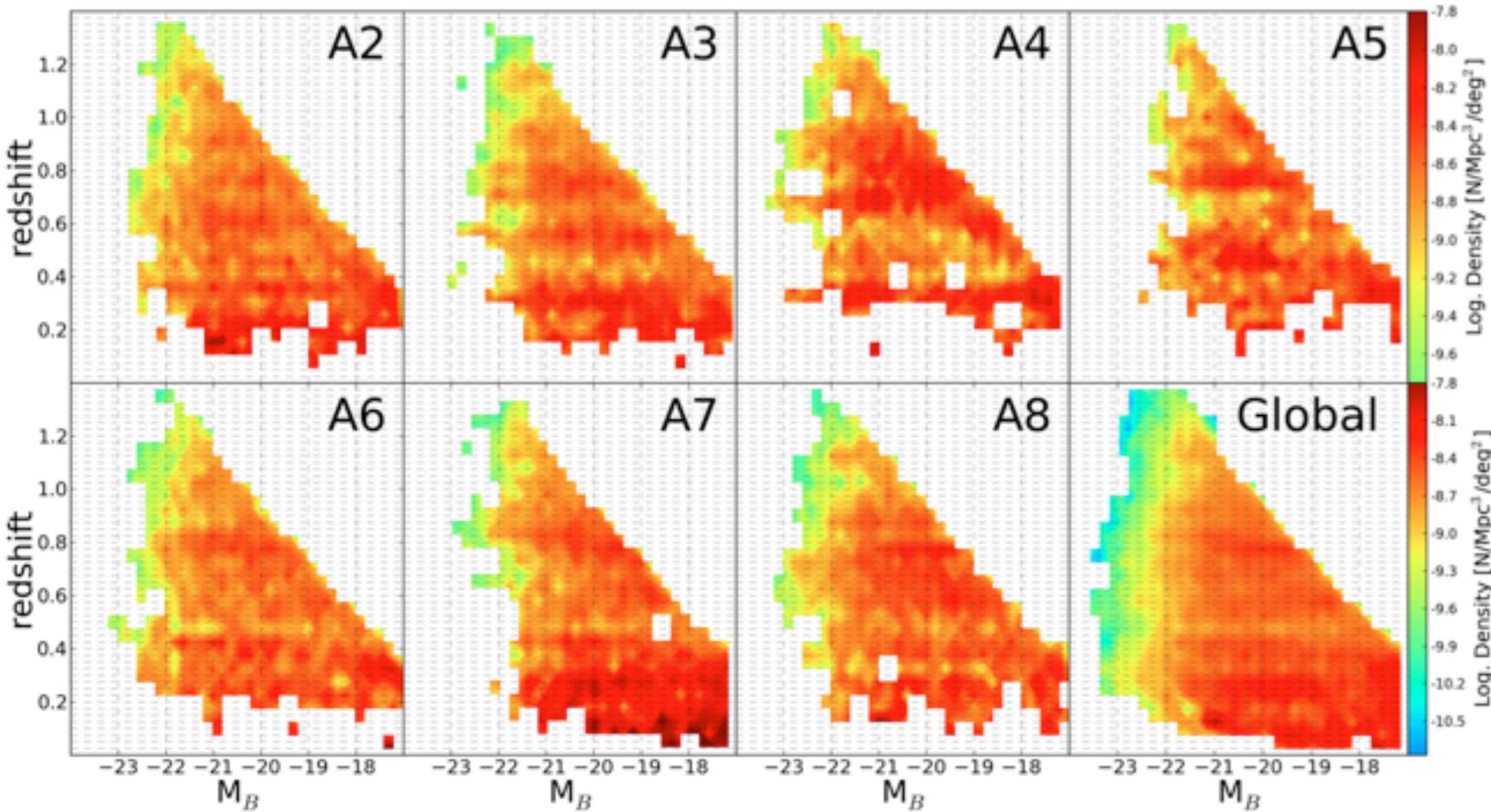
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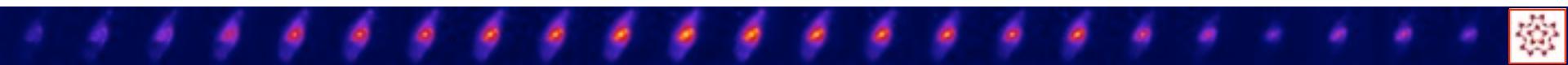
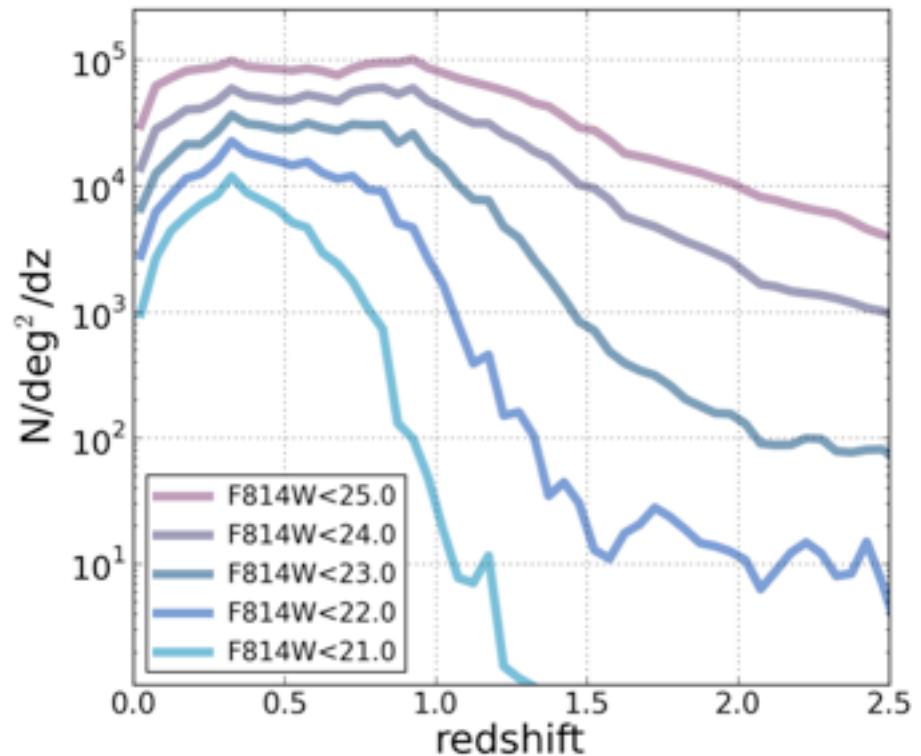
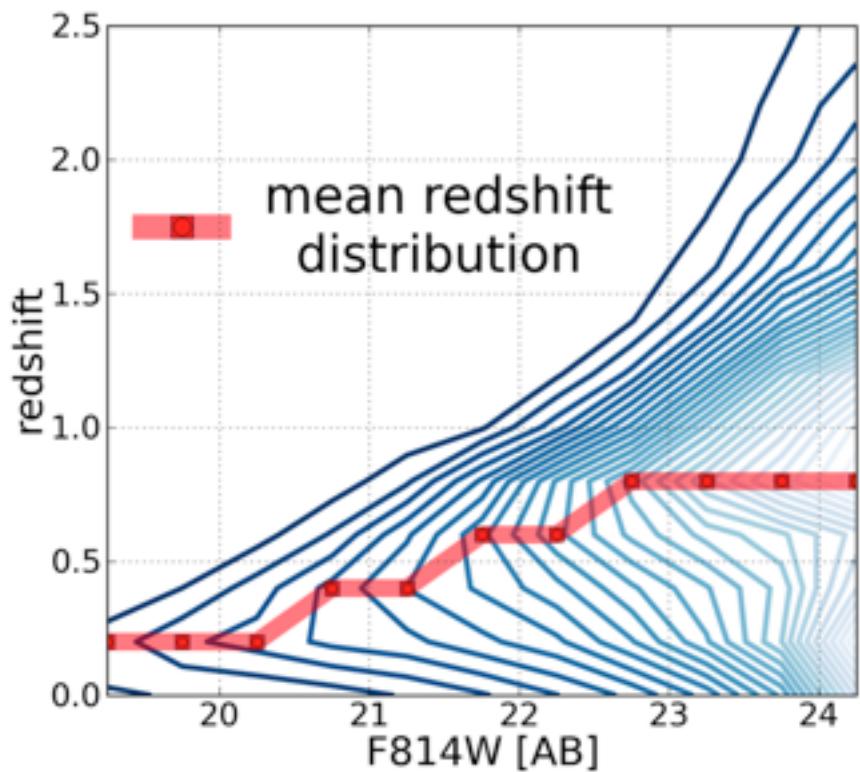
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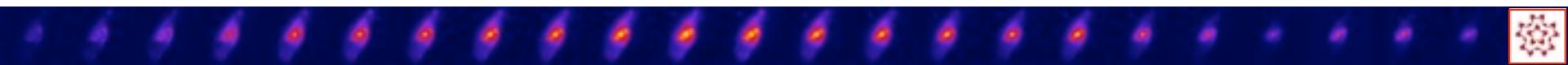
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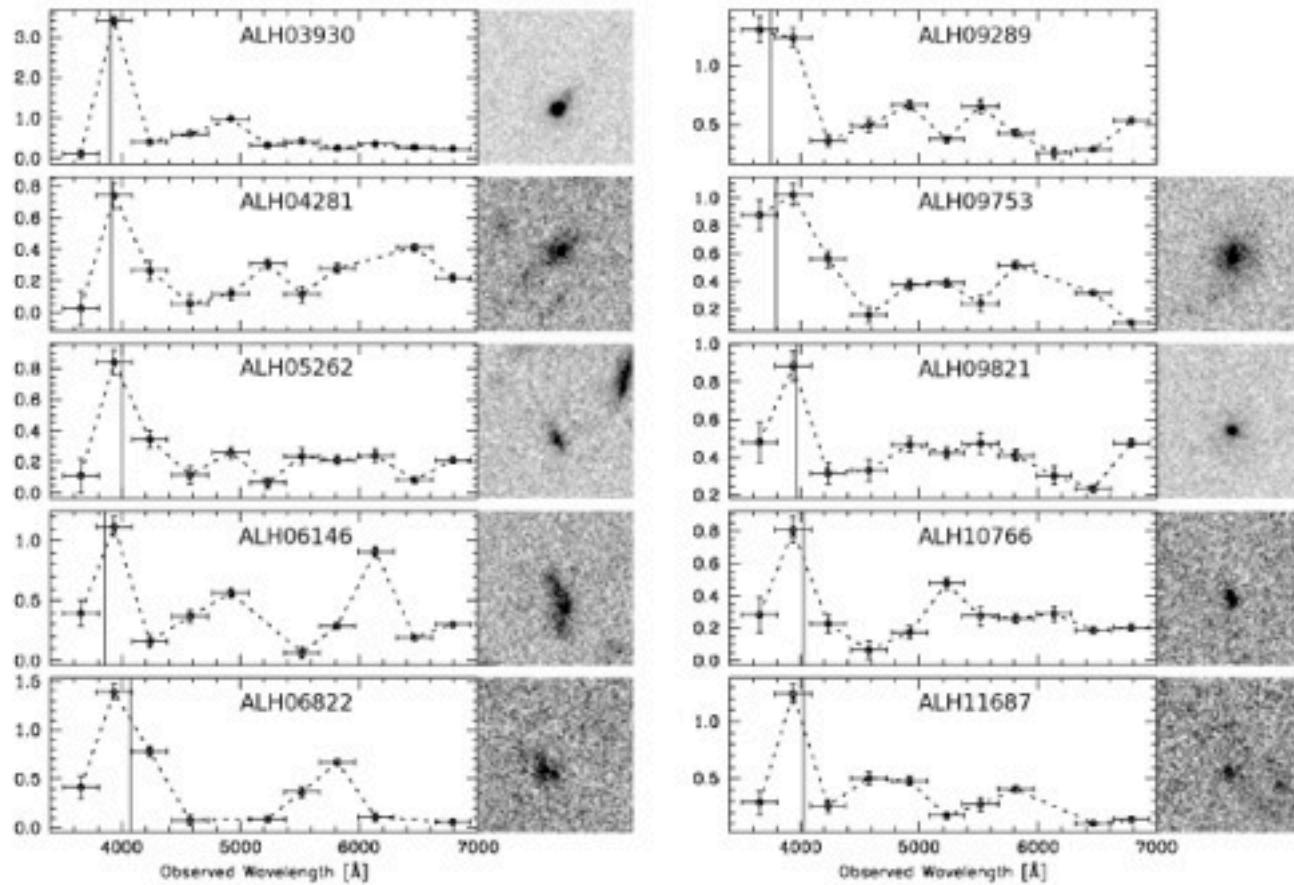
# Cosmic Evolution



# Early Scientific Results



# LAE Candidates at $z \sim 2.2$



**Fig. B.1.** Optical pseudo-spectra of  $z \sim 2.2$  LAE candidates from ALHAMBRA survey. ACS cutouts ( $3 \times 3$  sq-arcsec) of the objects, when available, are shown in the right side of each pseudo-spectrum. Vertical line inside each panel represent the position of Ly $\alpha$  emission line center at the corresponding photometric or spectroscopic redshift given in Table B.1. Fluxes are in  $10^{-18} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{\AA}^{-1}$  units. The horizontal bars represent the effective widths of ALHAMBRA filters. Assuming a concordant cosmology, with  $H_0 = 70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ , the mean scale of the images is  $\sim 8.2 \text{ kpc arcsec}^{-1}$ .

Bongiovanni et al. 2010, A&A 519, L4

# UV Selected galaxies at z~1 (+Galex)

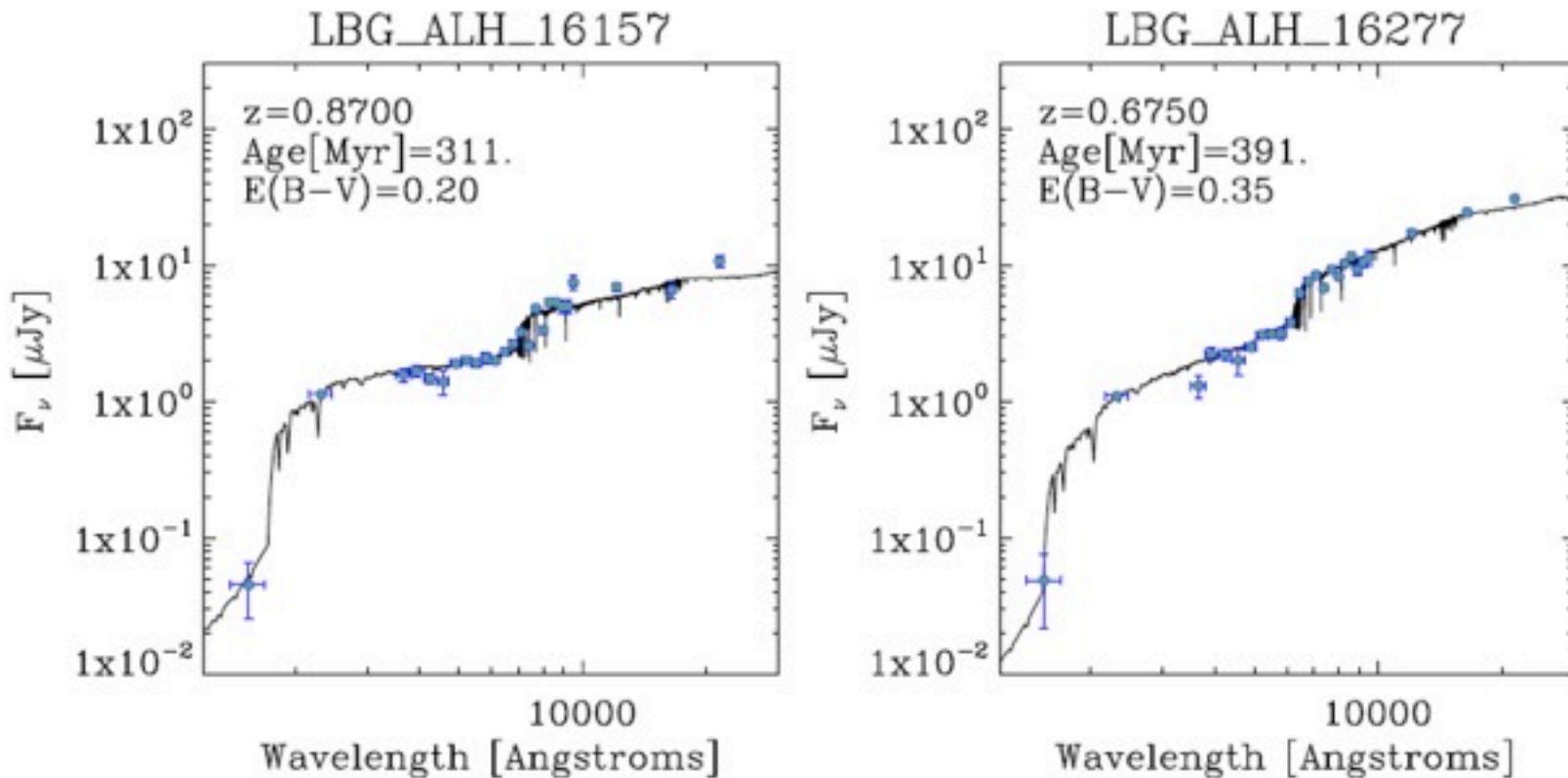
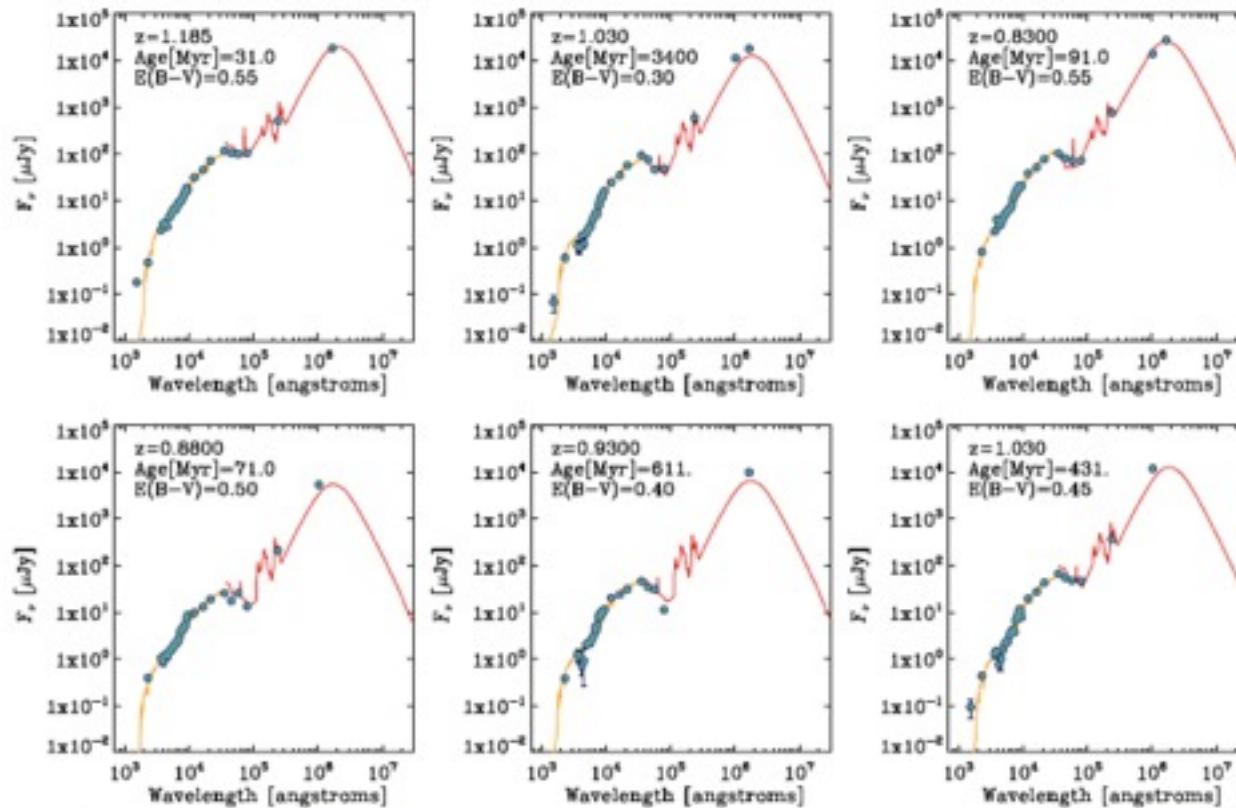


Fig.4. Examples of SED fittings results with GALEX+ALHAMBRA data for four LBGs from the total sample. Blue points are the observed GALEX and ALHAMBRA fluxes and the black curves are the BC03 templates that fit the photometry of each object best.

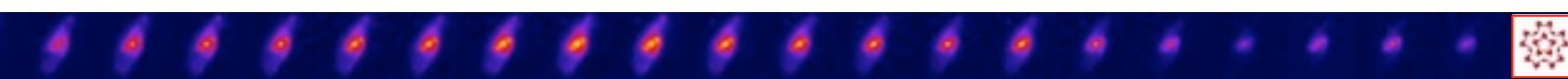
Oteo et al. 2013, MNRAS 433, 2706

# UV Selected galaxies at z~1 (+Herschel)



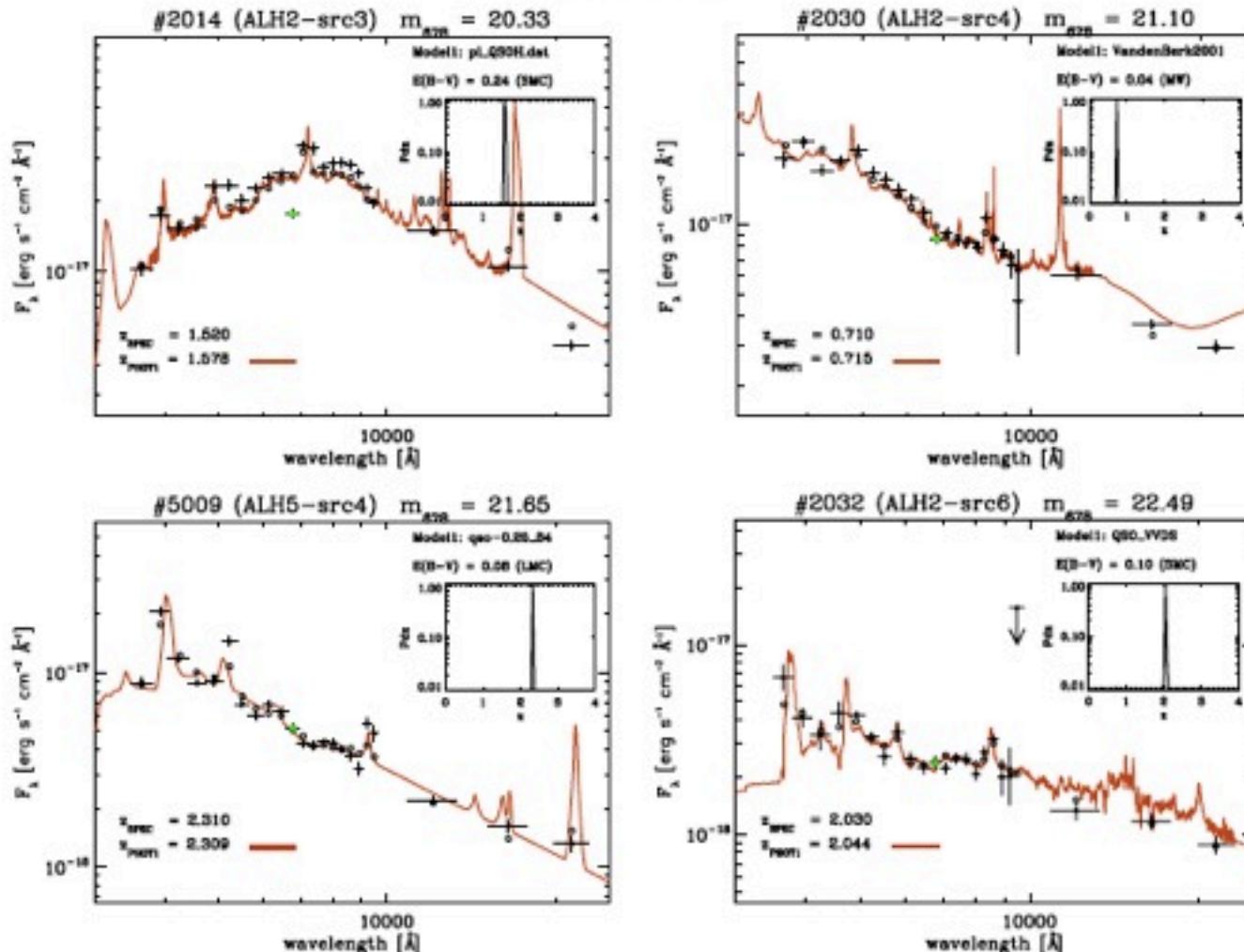
**Figure 1.** Rest-frame UV-to-FIR SED of nine PACS-detected LBGs (top). These examples are representative of the SED-fitting results for our whole sample of our PACS-detected galaxies. Blue points are the observed UV to FIR fluxes of the galaxies. Orange curves are the BC03 templates which fit the UV to IRAC-4.5 $\mu$ m fluxes best for each source. The BC03 templates considered in the representations and fits are associated to time-independent SFH and fixes sub-solar metallicity  $Z = 0.4Z_{\odot}$  (see Oteo et al. (2013) for more details). SED-derived redshift, age and dust attenuation associated to the represented BC03 templates are also indicated. Red curves are the CE01 templates which fit the IRAC-5.8 $\mu$ m to PACS fluxes best for each galaxy.

Oteo et al. 2013, MNRAS 435, 158



# ID and Photometric Redshifts for QSOs

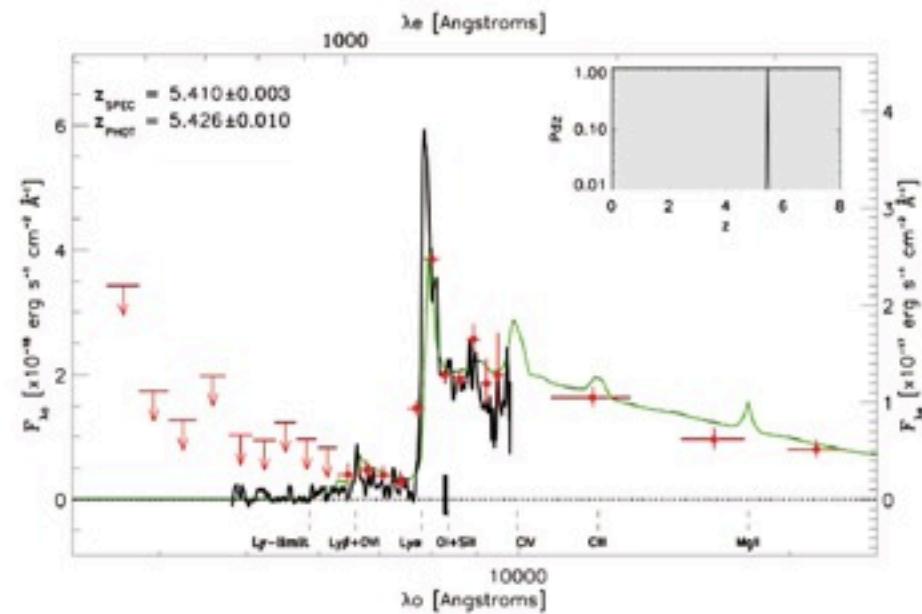
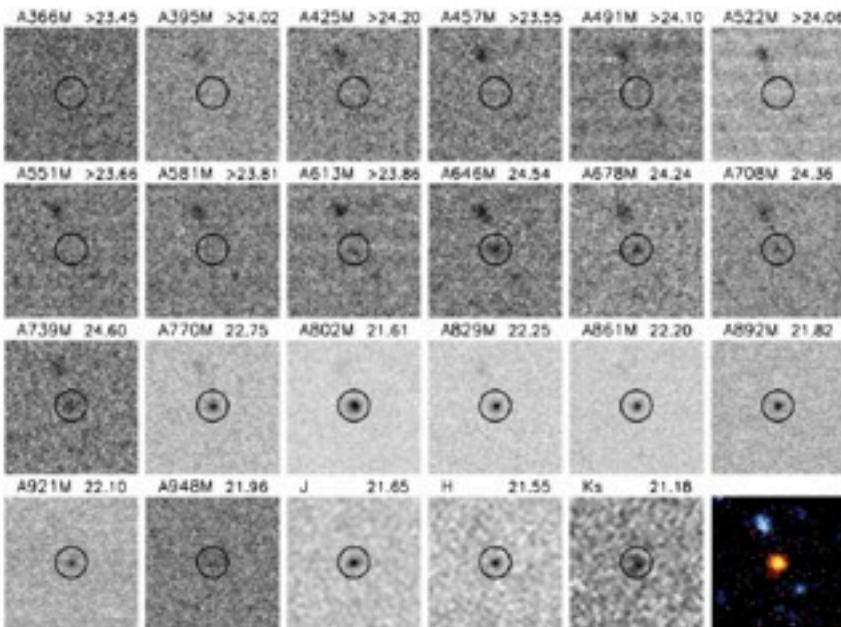
A&A 542, A20 (2012)



Matute et al. 2012, A&A 542, A20

# Discovery of High Redshift Objects

I. Matute et al.: Discovery of a QSO at  $z = 5.41$  in the ALHAMBRA survey (*RN*)



**Fig. 1.** *Left)* Cutouts ( $15'' \times 15''$ ) in all the ALHAMBRA optical/NIR filters for the discovered QSO (highlighted by an open circle). Above each cutout we indicate the filter name and measured magnitude (or  $5\sigma$  upper limit). The final image is a color composite of all bands, where the contrast has been increased in order to make all objects clearly visible. Images are oriented with north up and east to the left. *Right)* Optical–NIR spectral energy distribution of the discovered QSO. ALHAMBRA photometric detections are indicated as circles with associated error bars (arrows indicate  $5\sigma$  upper limits). The reference magnitude in the  $m_{830}$  filter is indicated by a vertical thick line. The best photo- $z$  template solution (QSO with optical slope index  $\alpha = -0.25$  at  $z_{\text{PHOT}} = 5.426 \pm 0.010$ ) is shown as a green line while the OSIRIS/GTC spectra (smoothed with a 7 pixel box) is shown as a thick black line, with the redshift probability function in the inset. The agreement found between the spectro- $z$  and the photo- $z$  is remarkable. The most important emission lines for QSOs at the redshift of the source are also indicated.

Matute et al. 2013, A&A 557, 78

# Reliable morphological classification

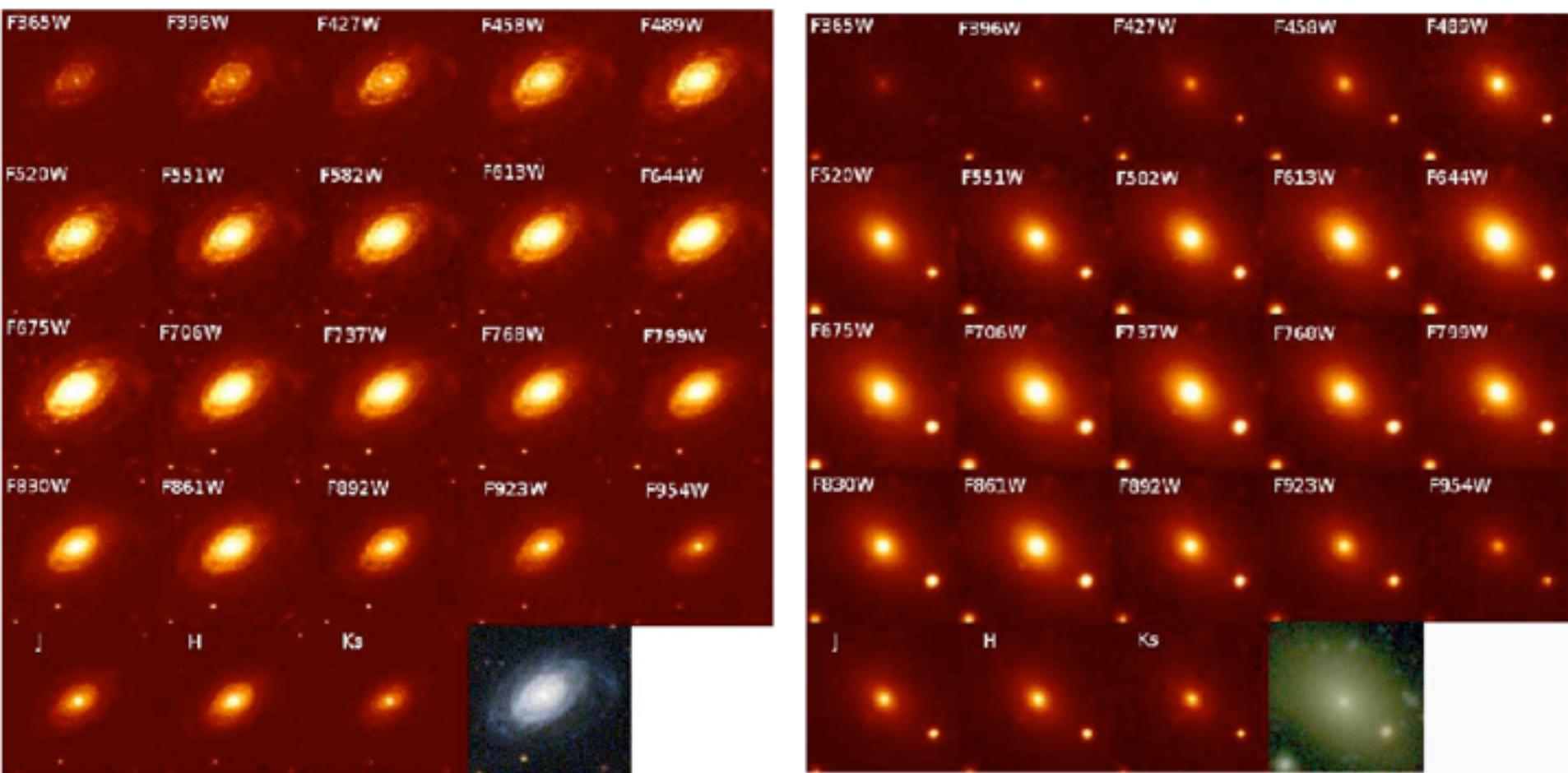


Figure 1. Example of two galaxies observed with 20 optical and 3 near-infrared ALH filters.

Povic et al. 2013, MNRAS 435, 3444

# Cosmic variance for merger fraction studies

C. López-Sanjuan et al.: The ALHAMBRA survey. An empirical study

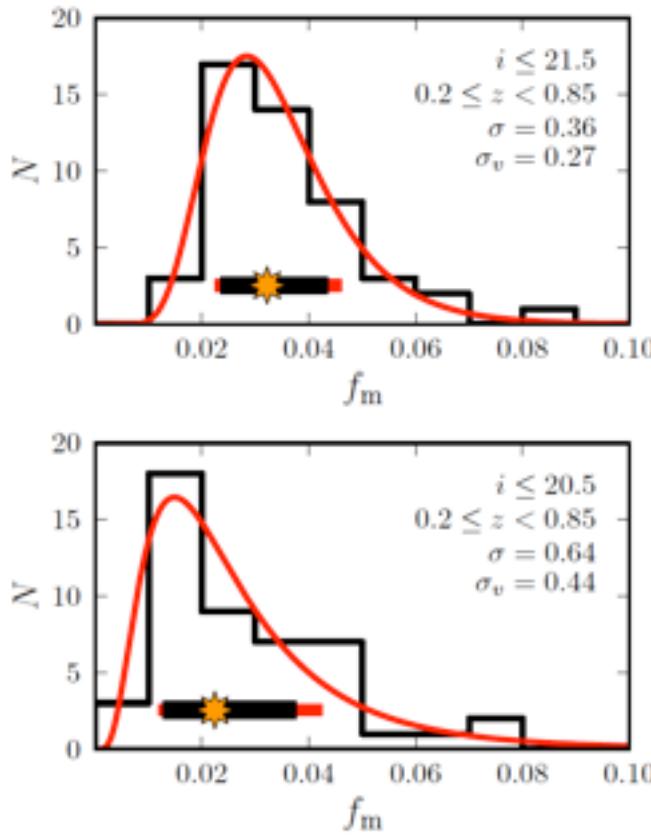


Fig. 3. Distribution of the merger fraction of  $i \leq 21.5$  (top panel) and  $i \leq 20.5$  (bottom panel) galaxies in the 48 ALHAMBRA sub-fields, measured from close pairs with  $10h^{-1}$  kpc  $\leq r_p \leq 30h^{-1}$  kpc. In each panel, the red solid line is the best least-squares fit of a log-normal function to the data. The star and the red error bar mark the median and the 68% confidence interval of the fit, respectively. The black error bar marks the confidence interval from the maximum likelihood analysis of the data and is our measurement of  $\sigma_v$ . [A colour version of this plot is available at the electronic edition].

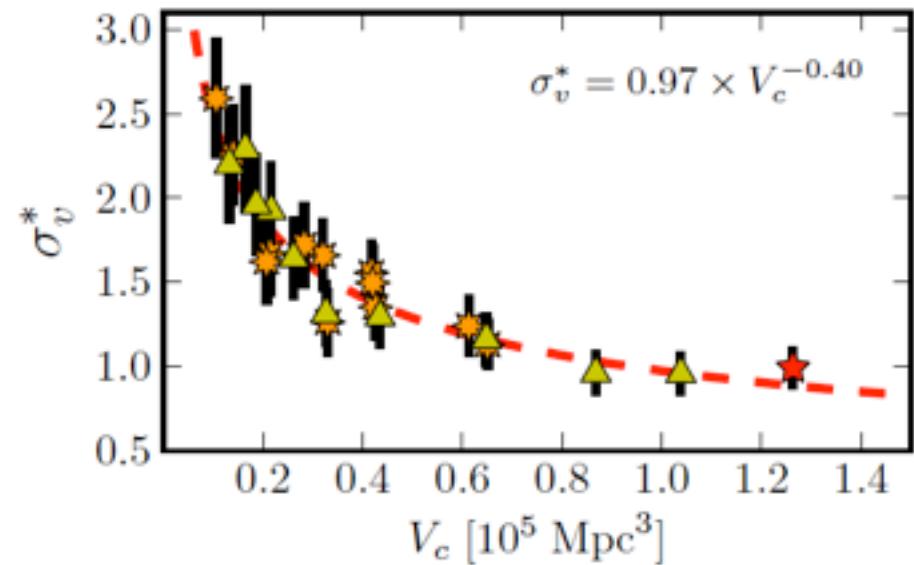
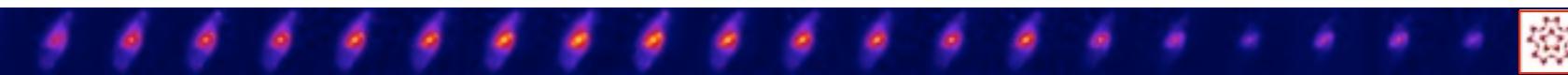
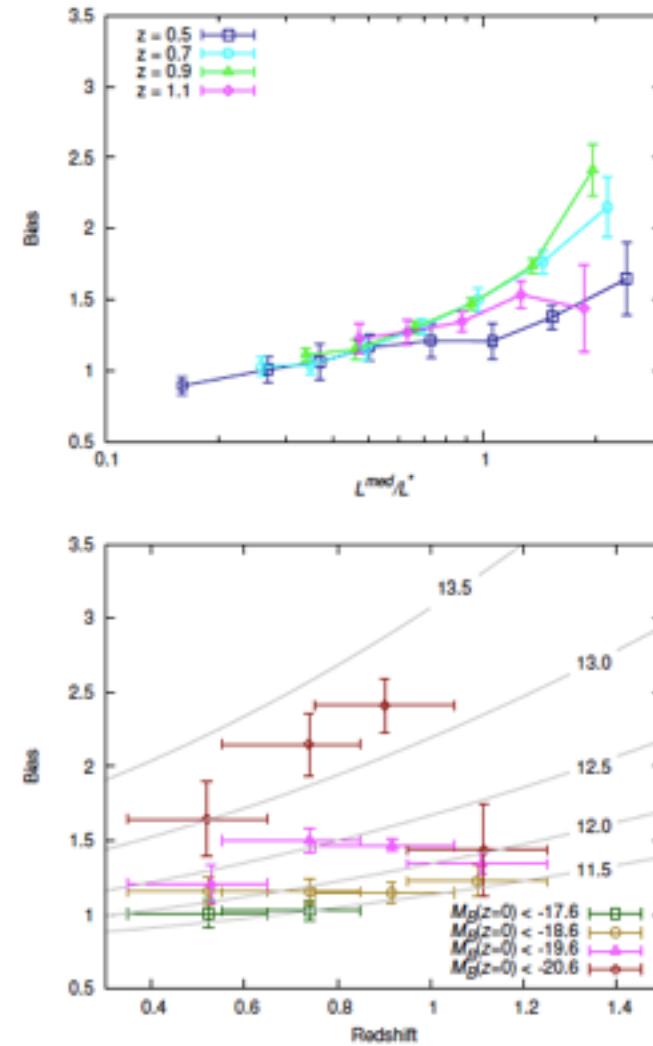
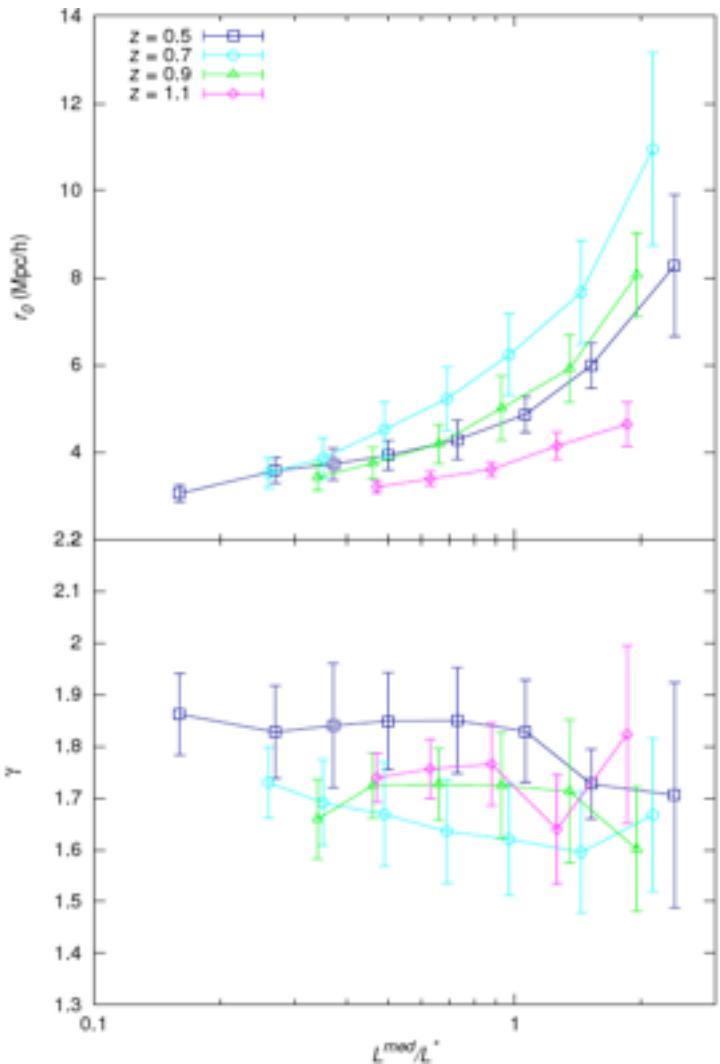


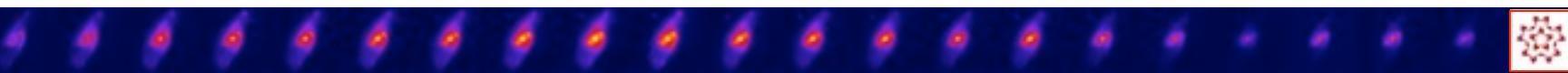
Fig. 8.  $\sigma_v^*$  as a function of the probed cosmic volume  $V_c$  for galaxies with  $i \leq 23$ . The red star is the same data point than in Fig. 7. The orange stars probe different redshift intervals, while triangles probe sky areas smaller than the fiducial ALHAMBRA sub-field. The red dashed line is the error-weighted least-squares fit of a power-law to the data,  $\sigma_v^* \propto V_c^{-0.40}$ . [A colour version of this plot is available at the electronic edition].



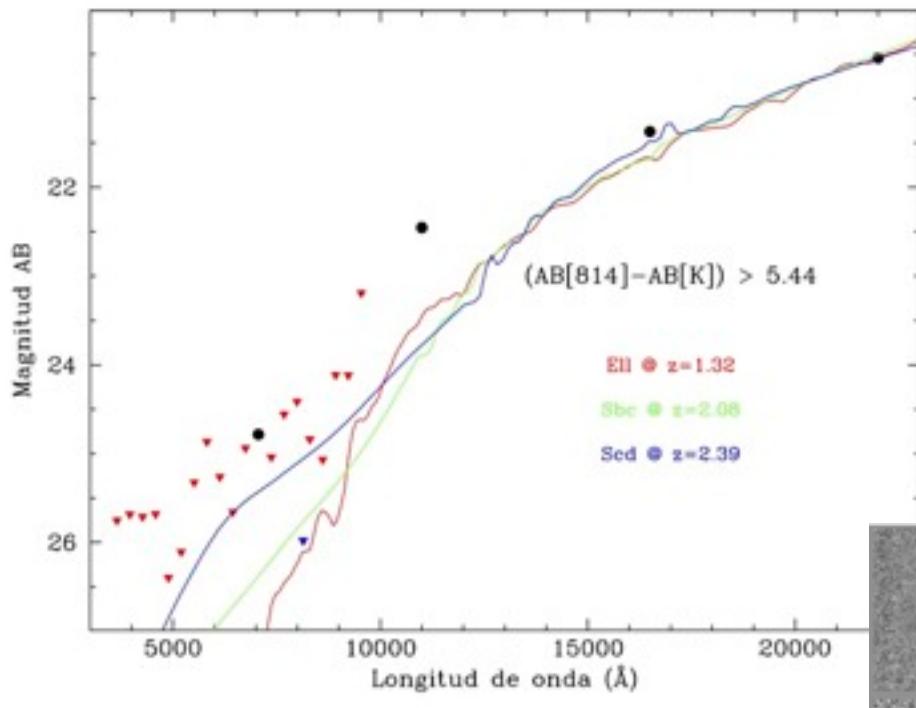
# Evolution of galaxy clustering



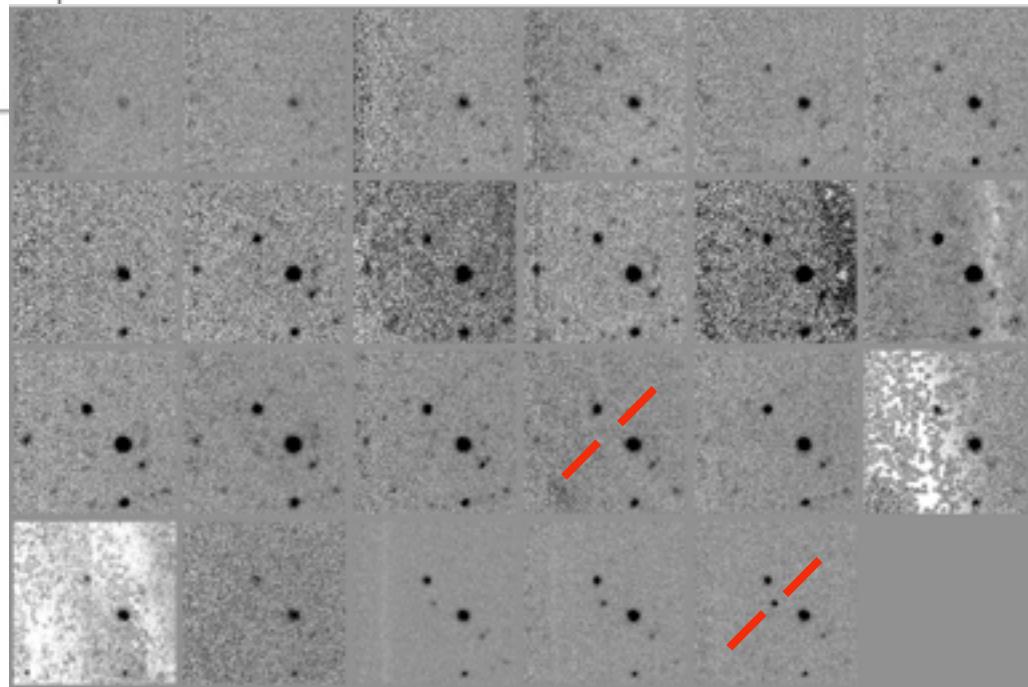
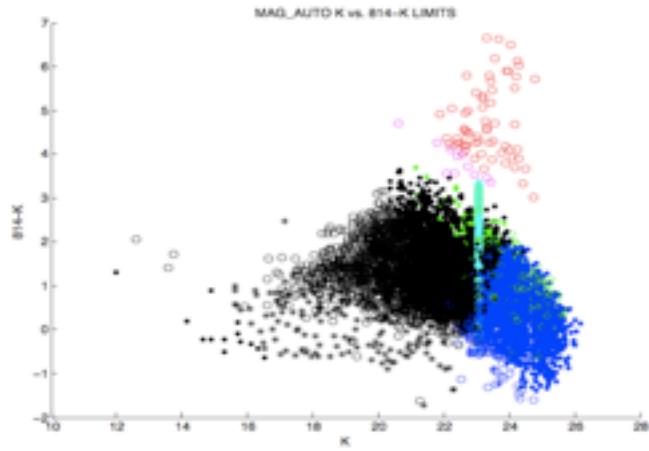
Arnalte-Mur et al. 2014, MNRAS 441, 1783



# ALHAMBRA K-Band selected catalogue

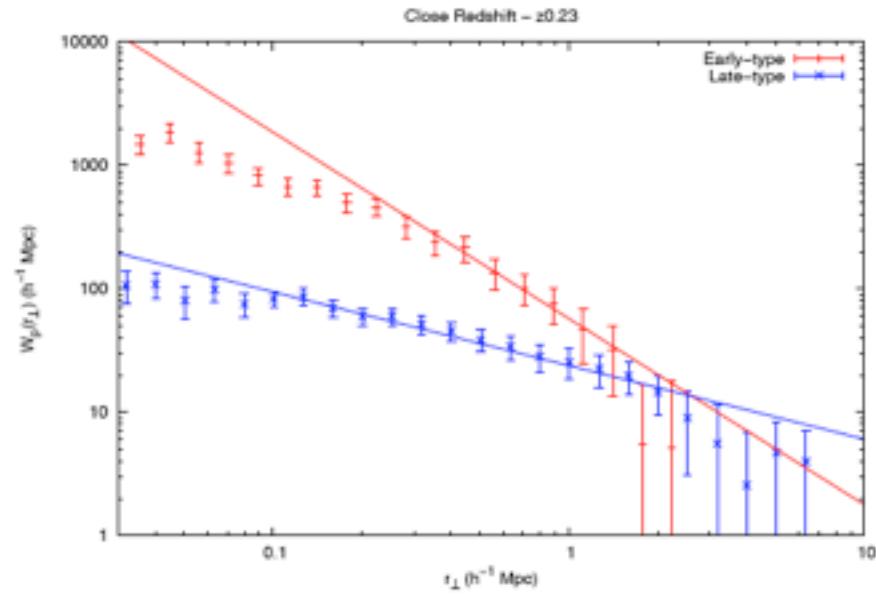
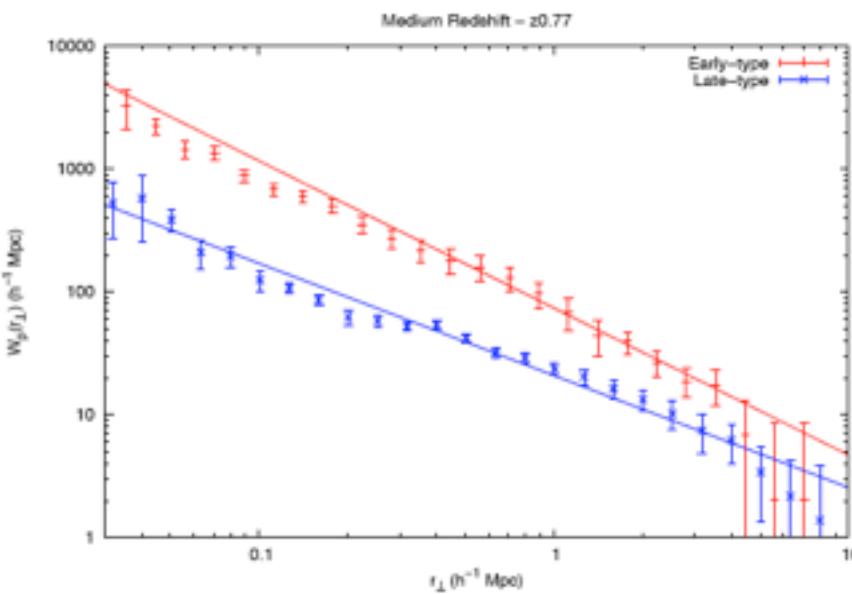
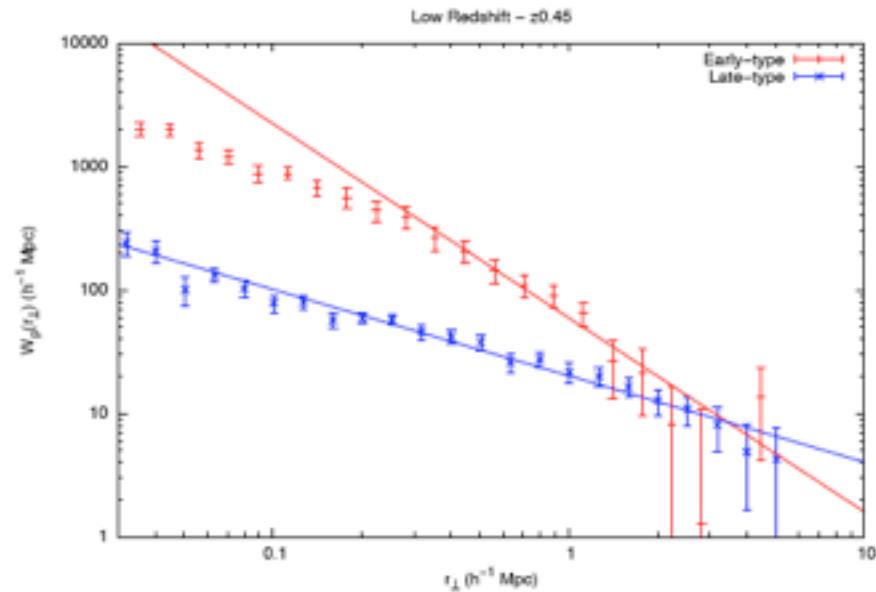
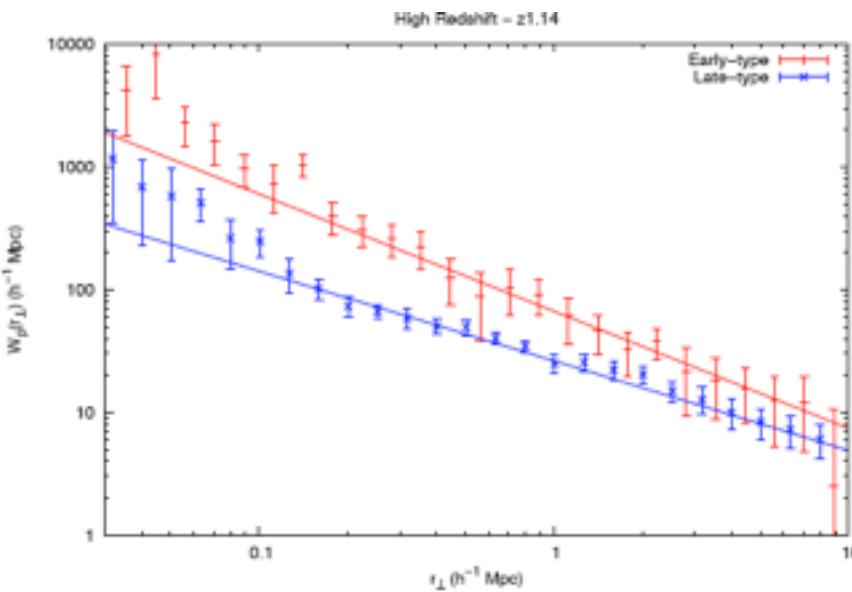


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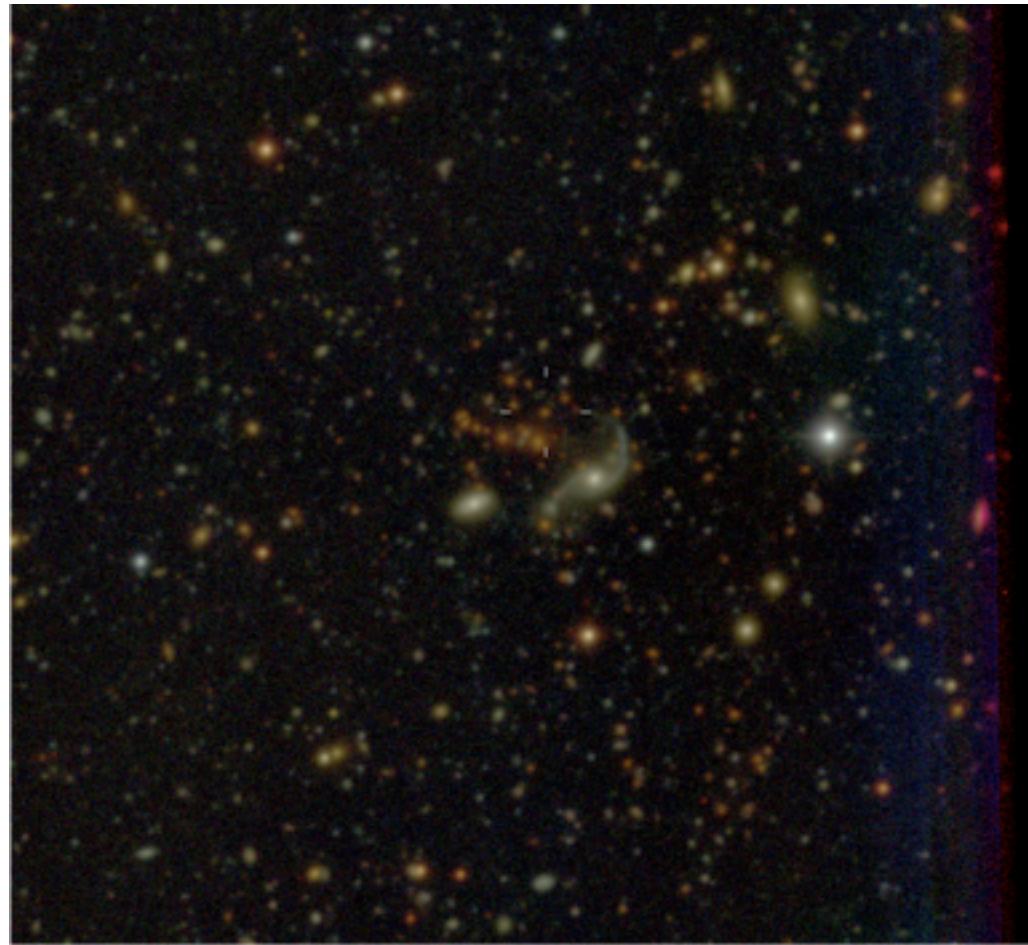
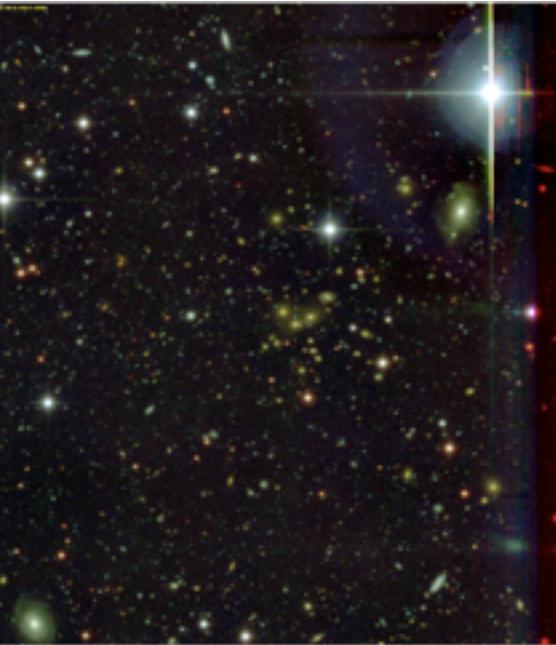


# Evolution of galaxy segregation

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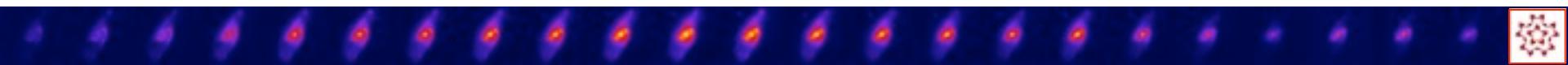


# Galaxy clusters in ALHAMBRA images



~200 clusters at  $0.2 < z < 1.0$   
Ascaso et al. 2014 (in prep.)

# **Access to ALHAMBRA Data**



# Survey website & Data Access



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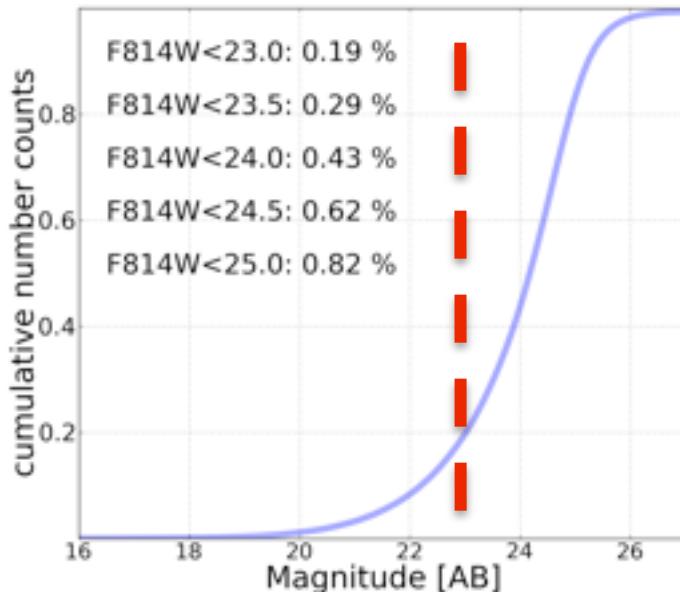
Bienvenido al  
servidor del proyecto ALHAMBRA Survey

Uno de los temas más importantes de la cosmología es la Evolución Cósmica. Incluso si los aspectos básicos del modelo cosmológico se suelen presentar como bien fundamentada, hay cuestiones fundamentales que deben ser establecidas aún sobre la evolución con  $z$ . La cuestión central es desentrañar la evolución real de la varianza cósmica física en un corrimiento al rojo dado y los detalles de la métrica, lo que ha sido un reto permanente para la Cosmología Física. La encuesta se realizó por tierra basada en observaciones en el Observatorio de Calar Alto (CAHA). En ALHAMBRA Survey participan alrededor de 16 instituciones de diferentes países, y alrededor de 70 científicos con diferentes niveles de implicación. Sólo de esta manera ha sido posible programar la gran cantidad de tiempo de observación necesario para llevar a cabo la encuesta.

[www.alhambrasurvey.com](http://www.alhambrasurvey.com)

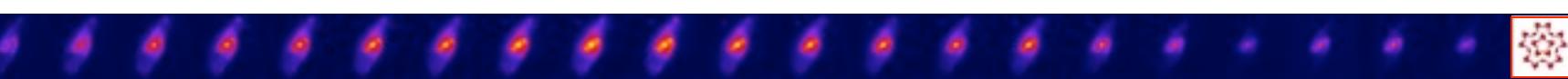


# The ALHAMBRA Gold Catalogue

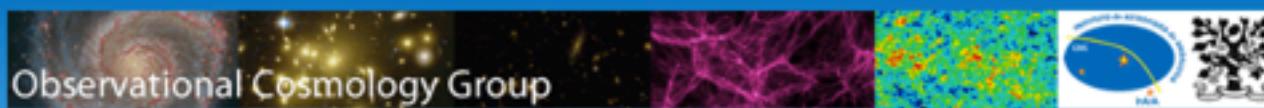


- The catalogue provides PSF-corrected photometry for  $\sim 100.000$  galaxies with a  $dz/1+z < 0.012$  and  $P(z)$  well described by a single Gaussian peak.
- Photometrically complete down to  $I=23\text{AB}$
- $\sim 20.000$  stars identified in the galactic halo
- $\sim 1000$  AGN candidates.

Magnitude F814W	$\sigma_z$ (Odds>0.0)	#	$\eta_1$ (%)	$\eta_2$ (%)	$\sigma_z$ (Odds>0.5)	#	$\eta_1$ (%)	$\eta_2$ (%)	$\sigma_z$ (Odds>0.9)	#	$\eta_1$ (%)	$\eta_2$ (%)
18.0 < m < 19.0	0.0081	0.8	0.0	0.1	0.0073	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0055	0.1	0.0	0.0
19.0 < m < 20.0	0.0083	2.2	0.1	0.3	0.0077	1.7	0.1	0.1	0.0056	0.3	0.1	0.1
20.0 < m < 21.0	0.0095	5.3	0.3	0.7	0.0085	4.1	0.1	0.3	0.0059	0.7	0.0	0.0
21.0 < m < 22.0	0.0101	11.9	0.4	1.1	0.0093	9.0	0.2	0.5	0.0058	1.3	0.0	0.0
22.0 < m < 23.0	0.0140	26.0	0.7	2.1	0.0111	16.0	0.3	0.9	0.0065	1.5	0.0	0.0
23.0 < m < 23.5	0.0182	22.8	0.6	2.1	0.0129	9.4	0.2	0.6	0.0045	0.5	0.0	0.0
23.5 < m < 24.0	0.0263	30.7	0.9	2.3	0.0118	7.4	0.2	0.4	0.0038	0.3	0.0	0.0



# Survey website & Data Access



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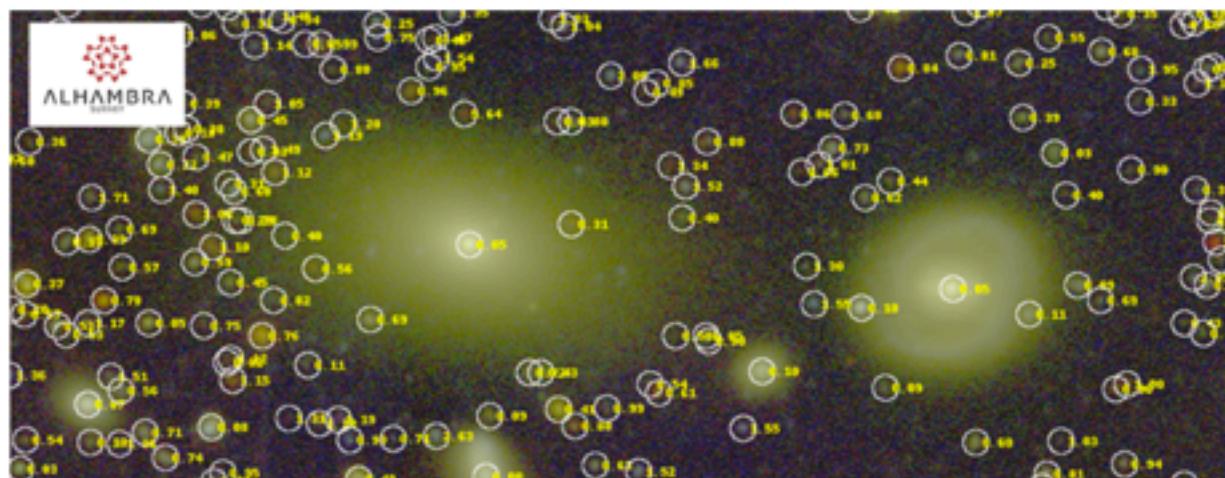
## Research Products

### The ALHAMBRA Gold catalog

**www.cosmo.iaa.es**

The ALHAMBRA Gold Catalogue (Molino et al. 2013) corresponds to a subsample of  $\sim 100k$  galaxies, photometrically complete down to a magnitude  $I=23$  AB, covering a total area of  $3 \text{ deg}^2$ , spread over 7 non-contiguous regions of the sky, with an on-target exposure time of  $\sim 32\text{hrs}$ .

The catalogue provides PSF-corrected photometry for 20+4 bands and accurate photometric redshift estimations, with an expected error  $\Delta z/z < 0.012$  and redshift probability distribution functions  $P(z)$  well described by a single Gaussian peak.



For a detailed explanation of the catalog and download instructions, please visit [The ALHAMBRA Gold catalog page](#).

# The ALHAMBRA catalogues and F814W images are accessible via SVO



## ALHAMBRA: The Final Catalogue

This data server provides access to the ALHAMBRA Final Catalogue.

The ALHAMBRA (Advance Large Homogeneous Area Medium Band Redshift Astronomical) survey (Moles et al. 2008) has observed 8 different regions of the sky, including sections of the COSMOS, DEEP2, ELAIS, GOODS-N, SDSS and Groth fields using a new photometric system with 20 contiguous, non-overlapping, equal width ( $\sim 300\text{Å}$ ) filters, covering the optical range (3500Å-9700Å), plus the standard broadband NIR J, H and Ks filters. The observations were carried out with the Calar Alto (CAHA) 3.5m telescope using the wide field, 0.25 deg $^2$  FOV optical camera LAICA and the NIR instrument Omega-2000. The ALHAMBRA survey dataset represents a  $\sim 700\text{hrs}$  of total exposure time, gathered in between the 2005 and 2012.

Further information on the project can be found at the [ALHAMBRA web page](#).

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If you use this service in your research, please include the following acknowledgement in any resulting publications: "Based on data from ALHAMBRA Data Access Service the at CAB (INTA-CSIC)".



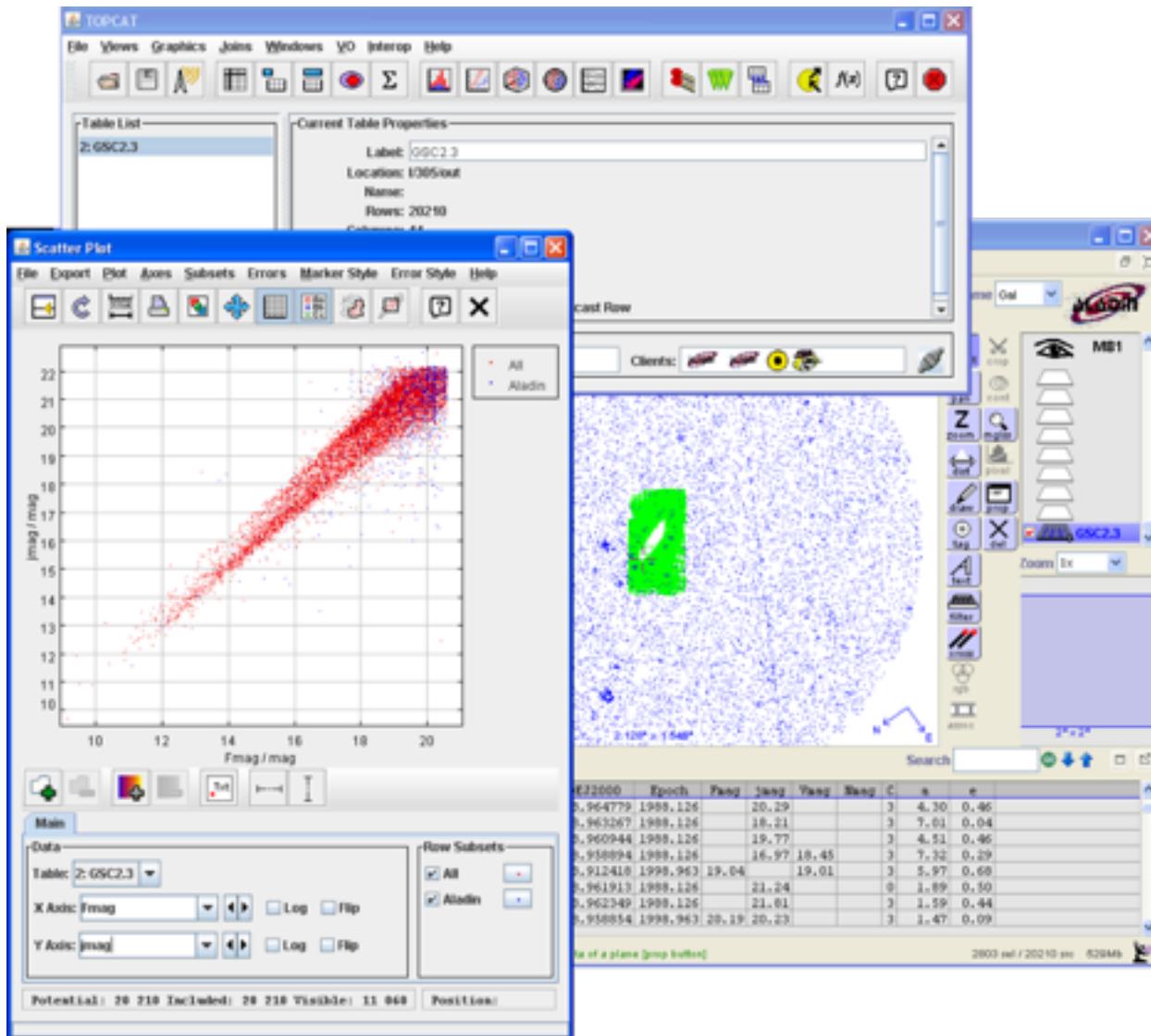
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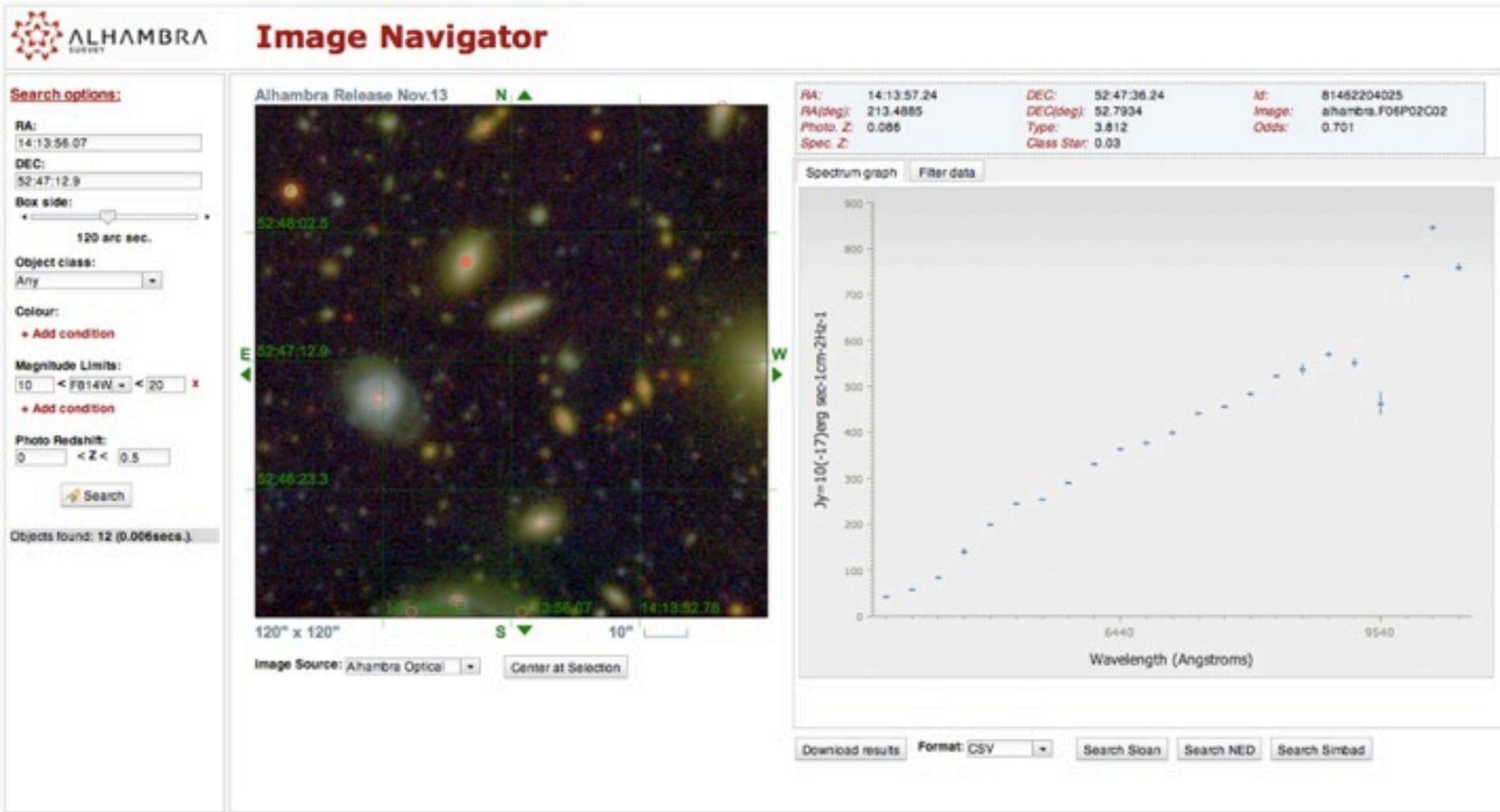
This service uses SVOcat by the SVO

<http://svo2.cab.inta-csic.es/vocats/alhambra/index.php>

# The full ALHAMBRA catalogues are also available via VO Tools: Topcat, Aladin,...



# A data discovery tool is in a test phase



# At the end of the day...

- ALHAMBRA is in its exploitation phase
- You are invited to use the data
- Catalogues available to the community
  - VO Compliant (Topcat, Aladin)
  - Gold sample ( $I < 23$ ) catalogues on the web
  - Navigator under tests
- Full dataset coming

Please contact your local ALHAMBRA expert!

*!Gracias!*

