

# THE PREVALENCE OF CIII EMISSION AT $1.5 < z < 4$

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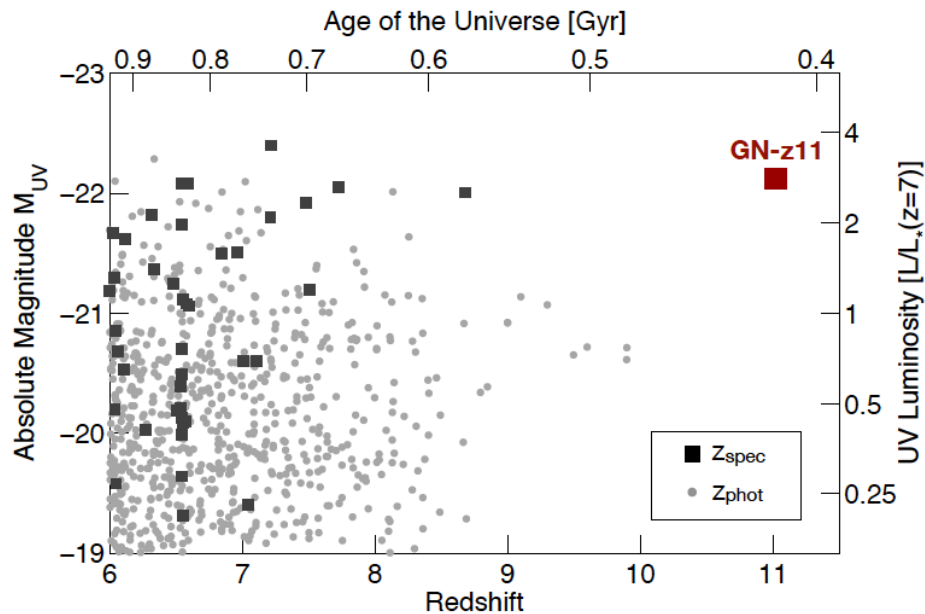
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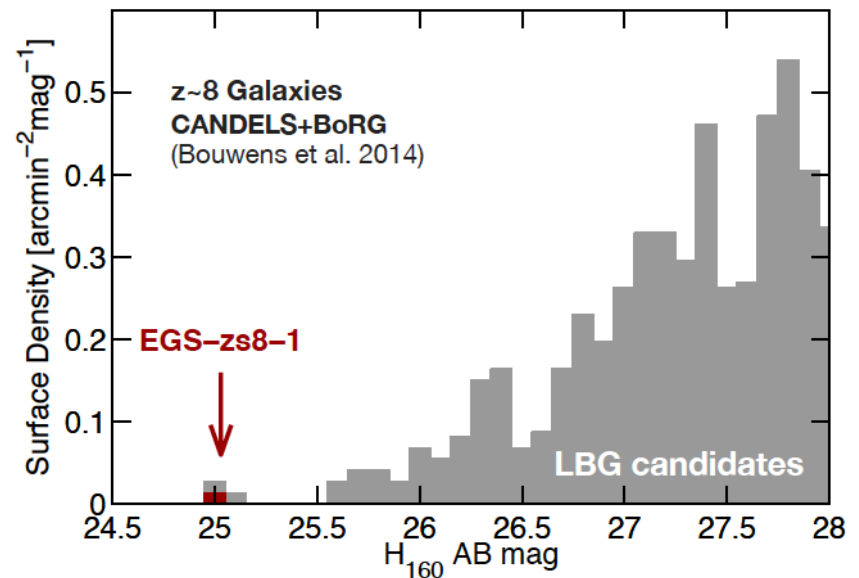


# The current state of high- $z$ studies

- Hundreds of photometric candidates at  $z > 5$  from CANDELS, HUDF, BoRG, etc.
- But relatively few spectroscopic confirmations from Ly- $\alpha$  or continuum breaks

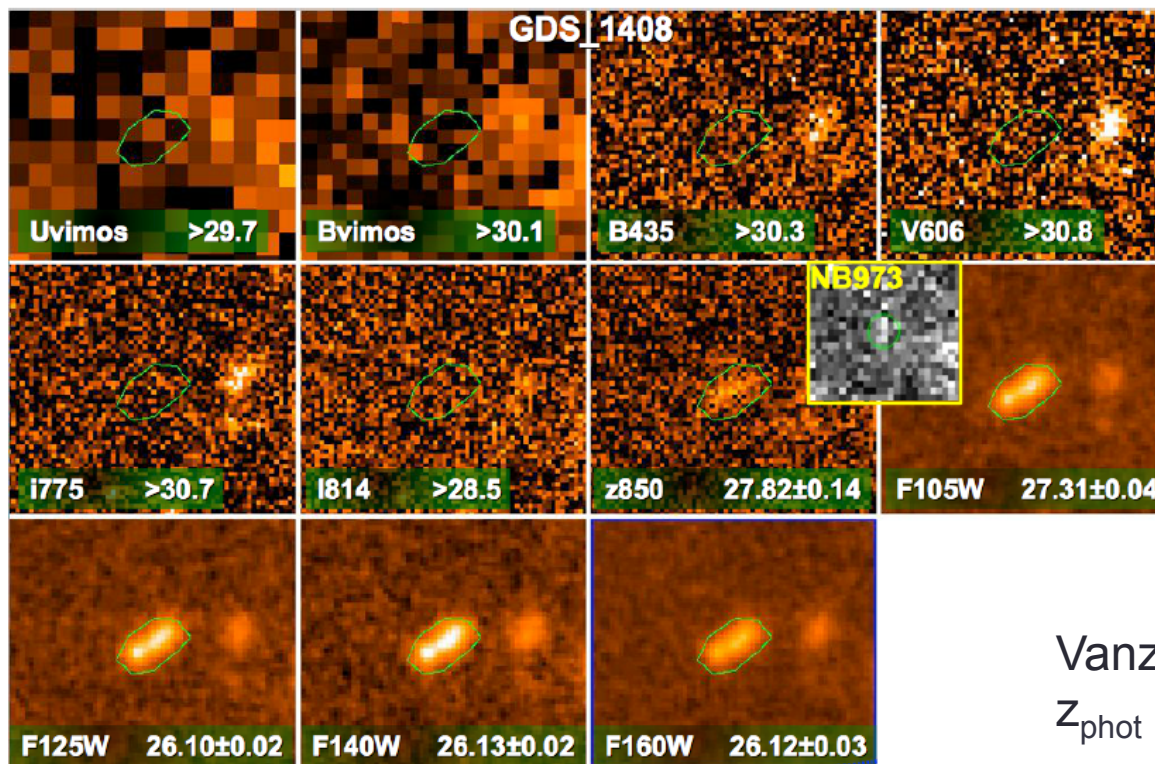


Oesch+16



Oesch+15

We usually do OK with the brightest ones,  
but...



Vanzella+14  
 $z_{\text{phot}} \sim 7$

z-band dropout HUDF-J033242.56-274656.6

F18+B27+B7 = 52hr

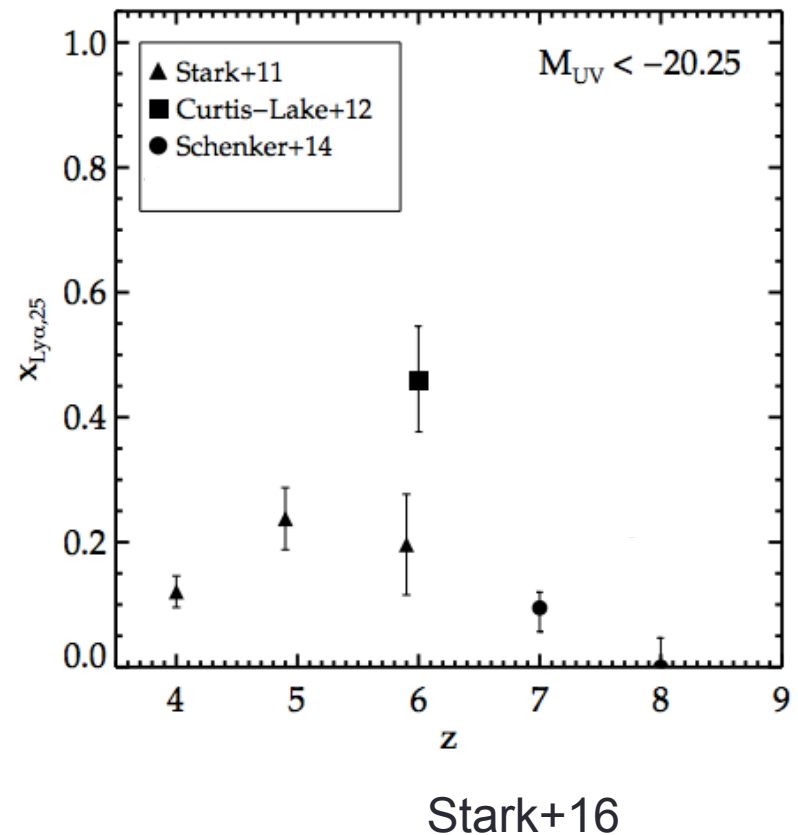


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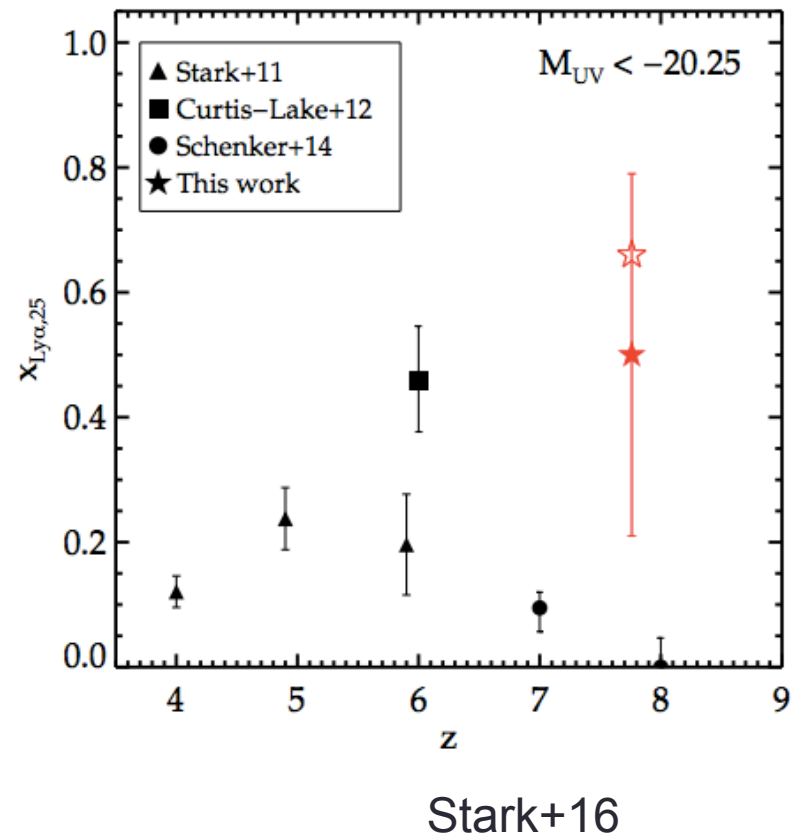
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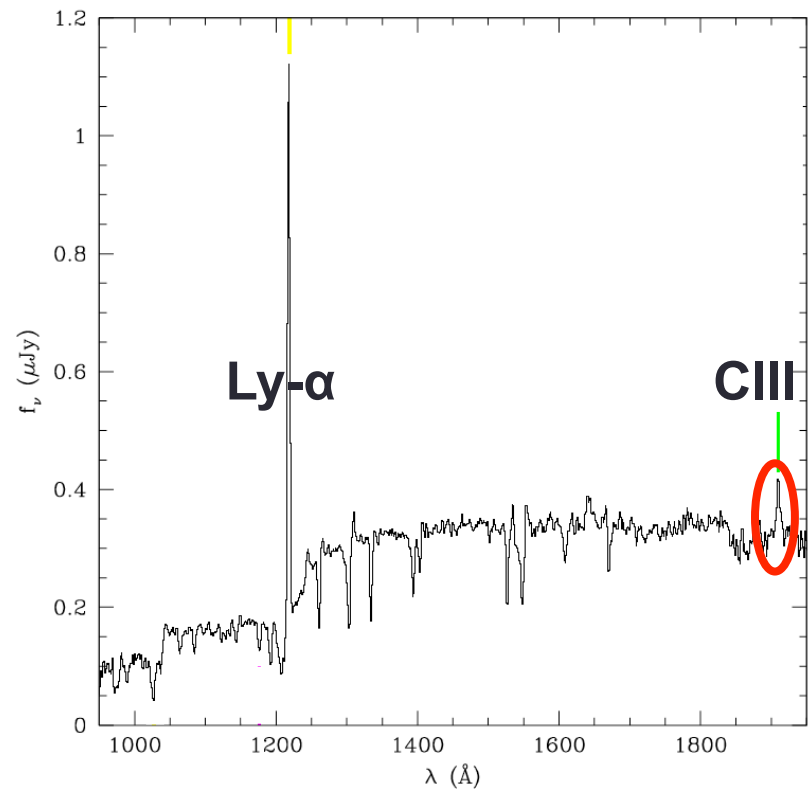
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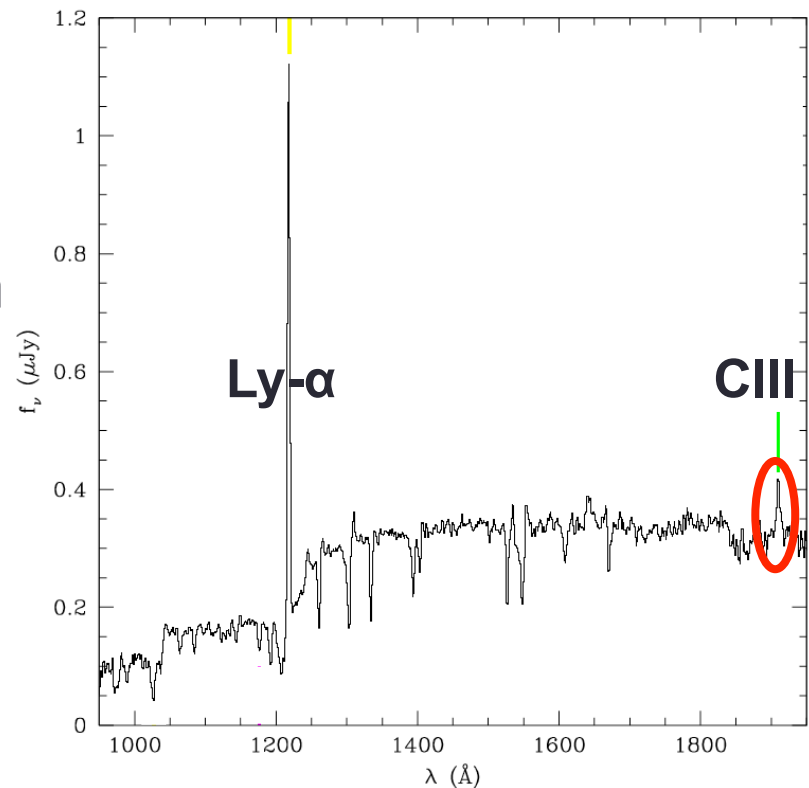
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  - “Easier” to interpret than Ly- $\alpha$



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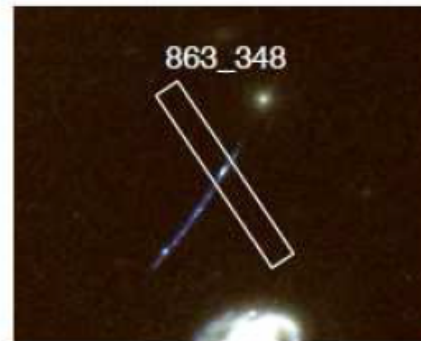
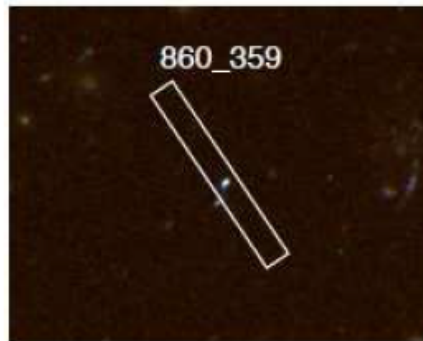
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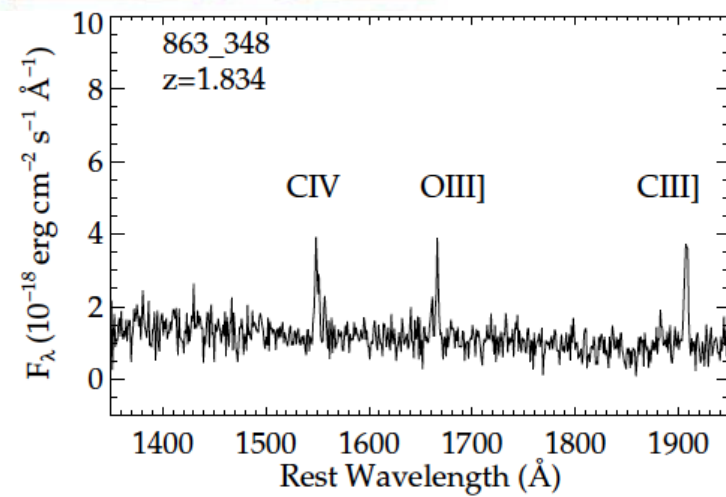
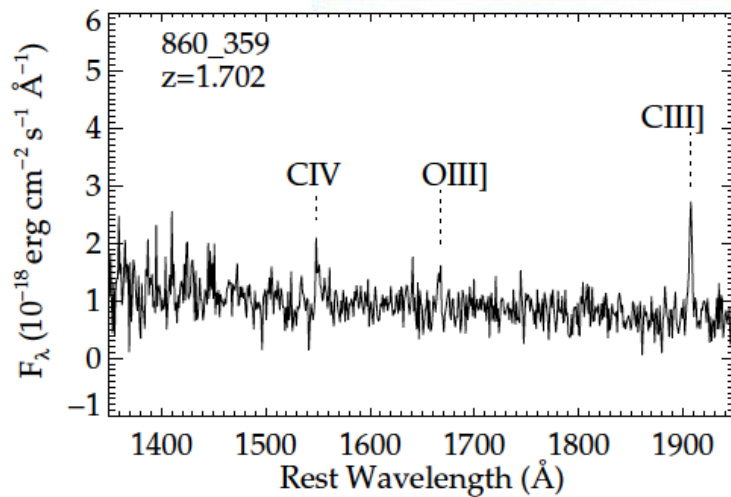


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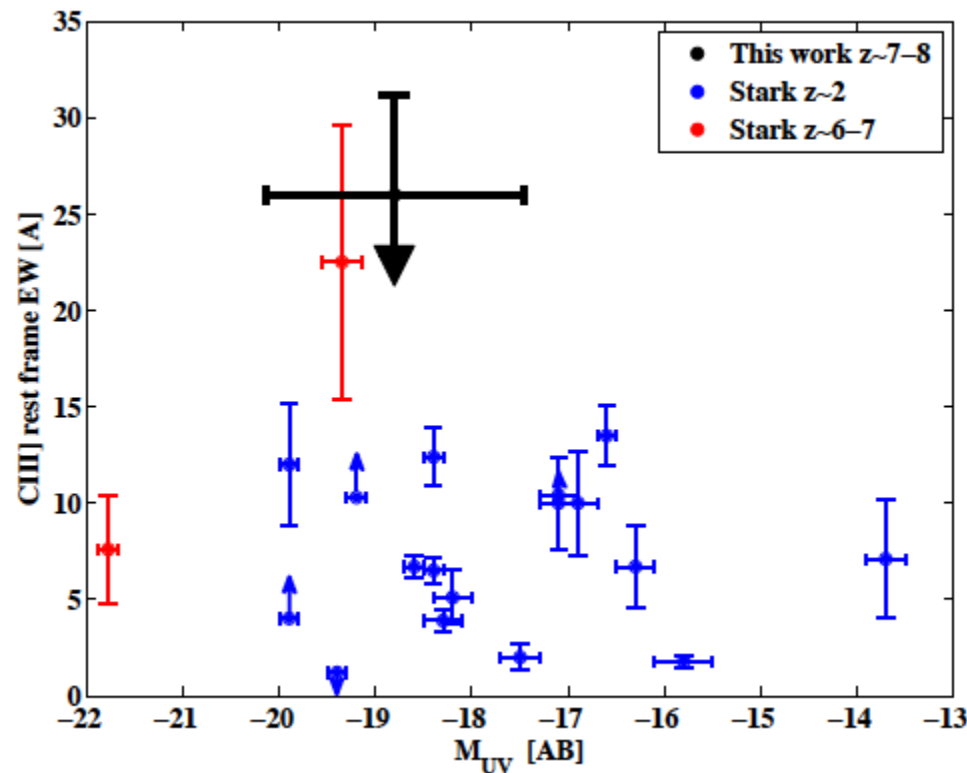


$z \sim 2$   
(lensed)



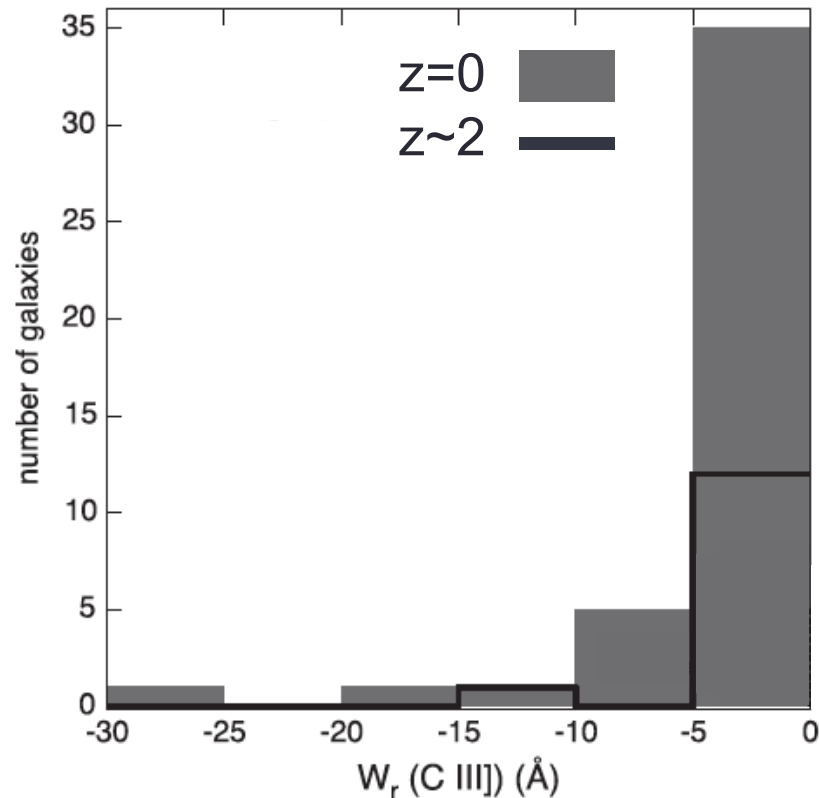
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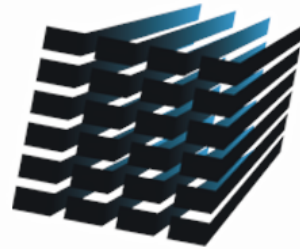
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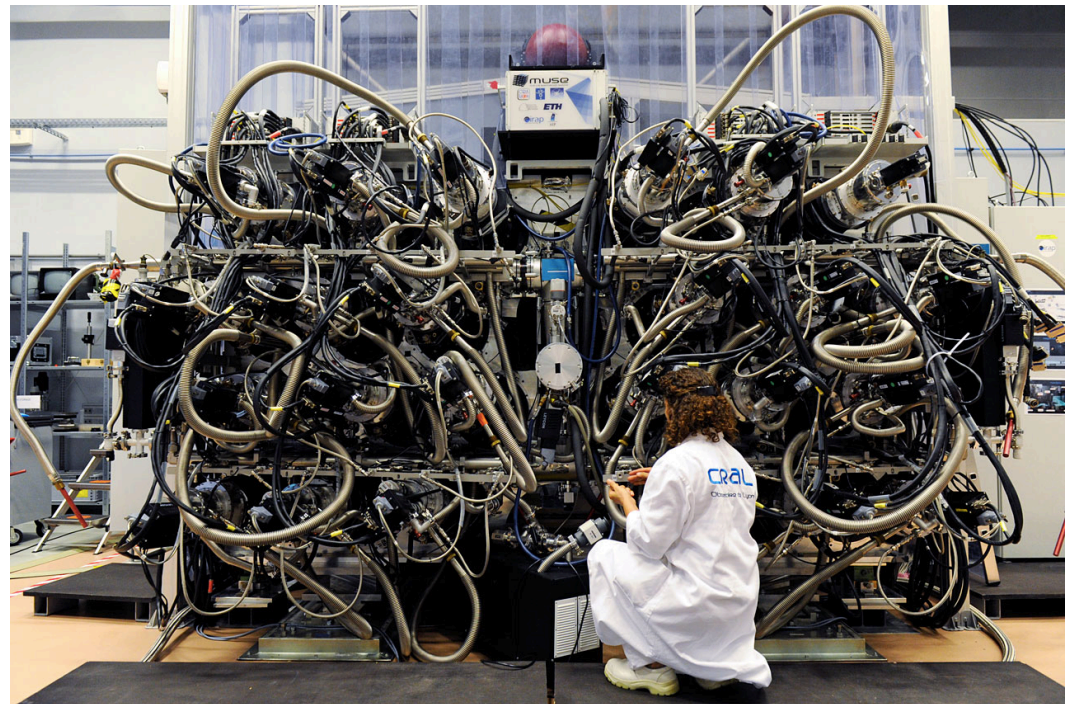


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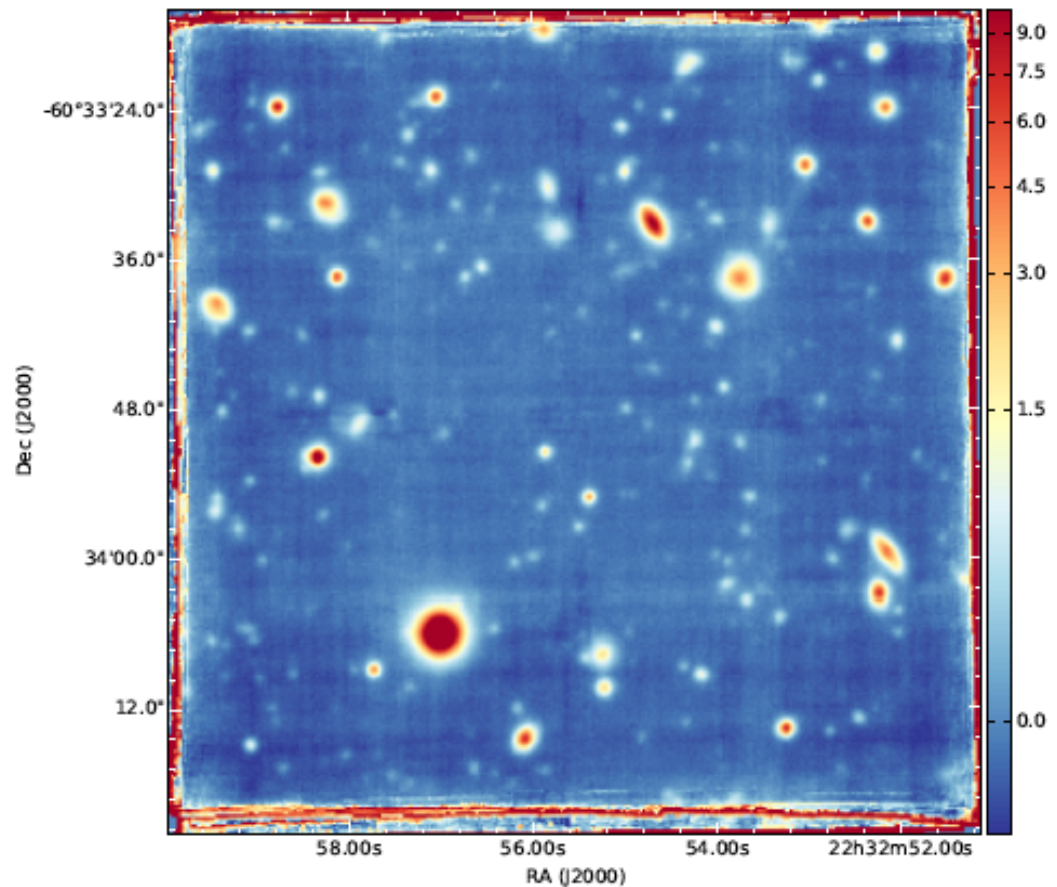


**MUSE**  
multi unit spectroscopic explorer



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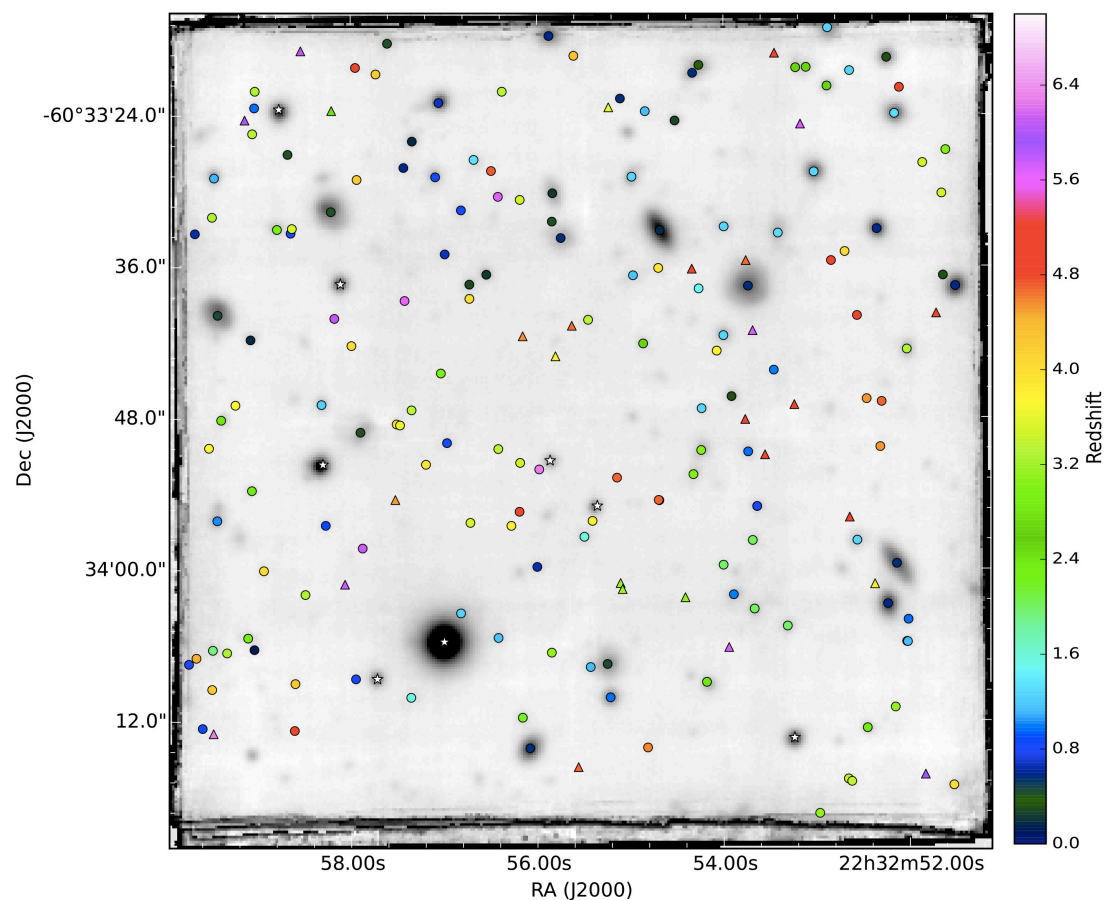
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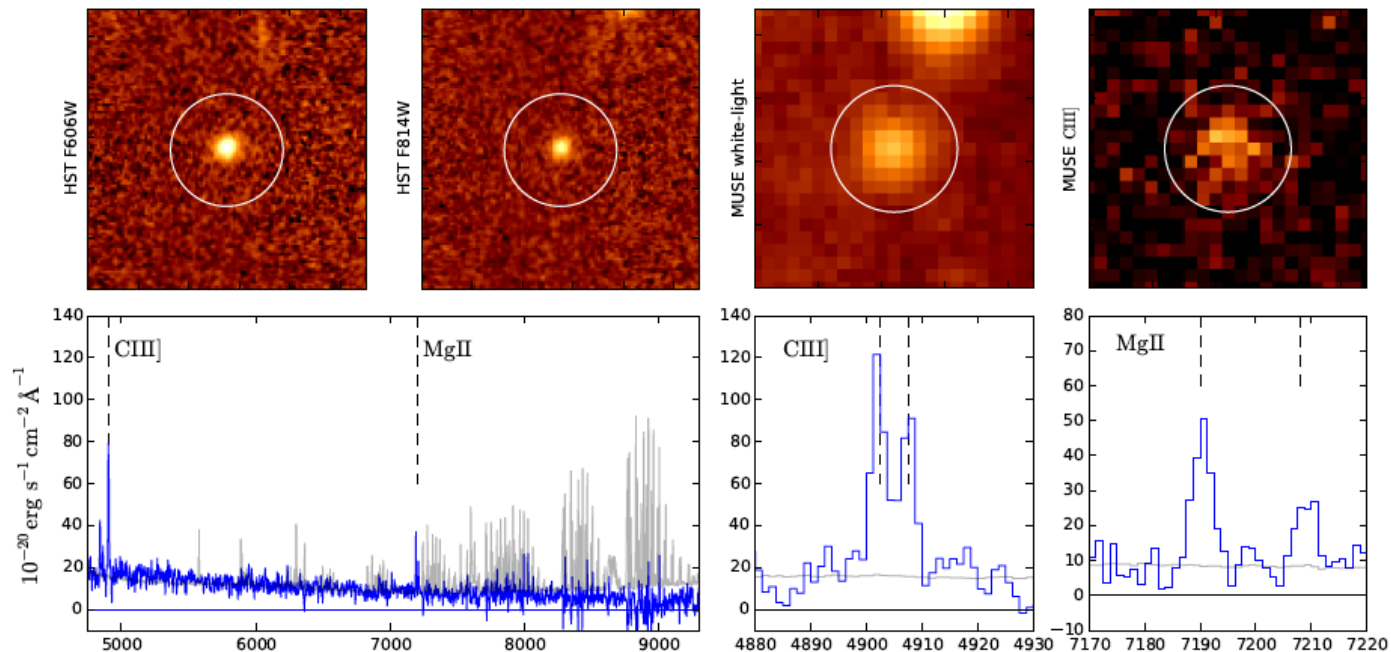
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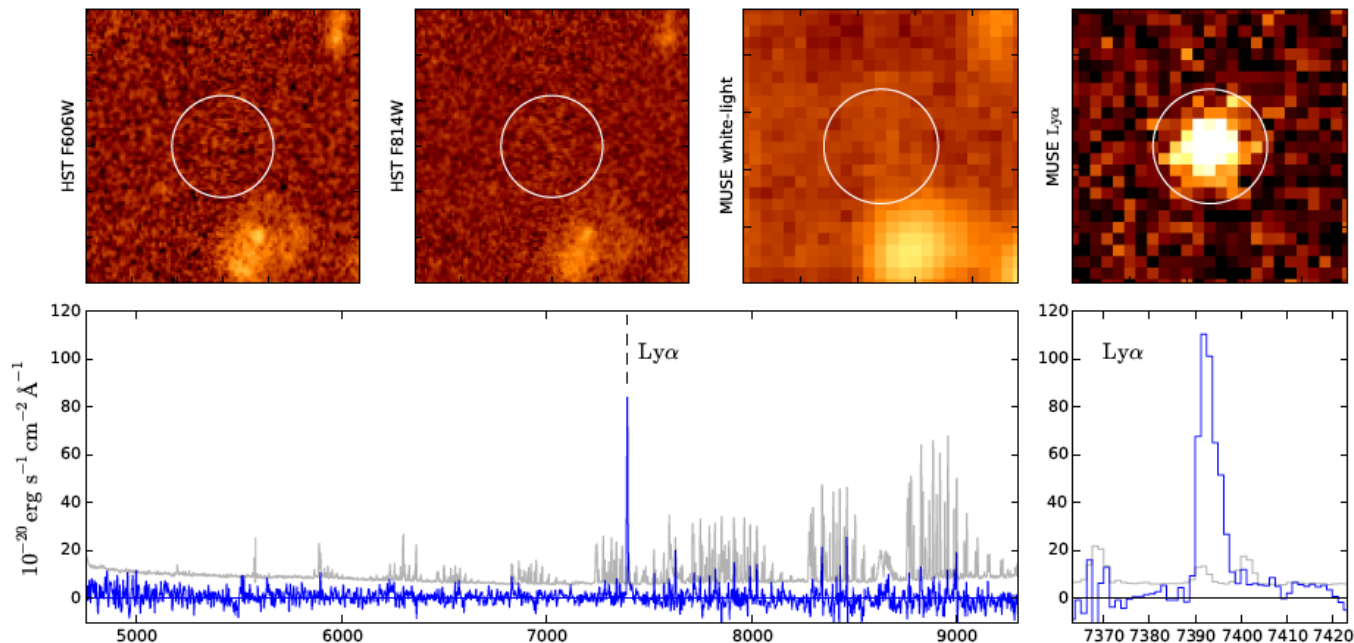
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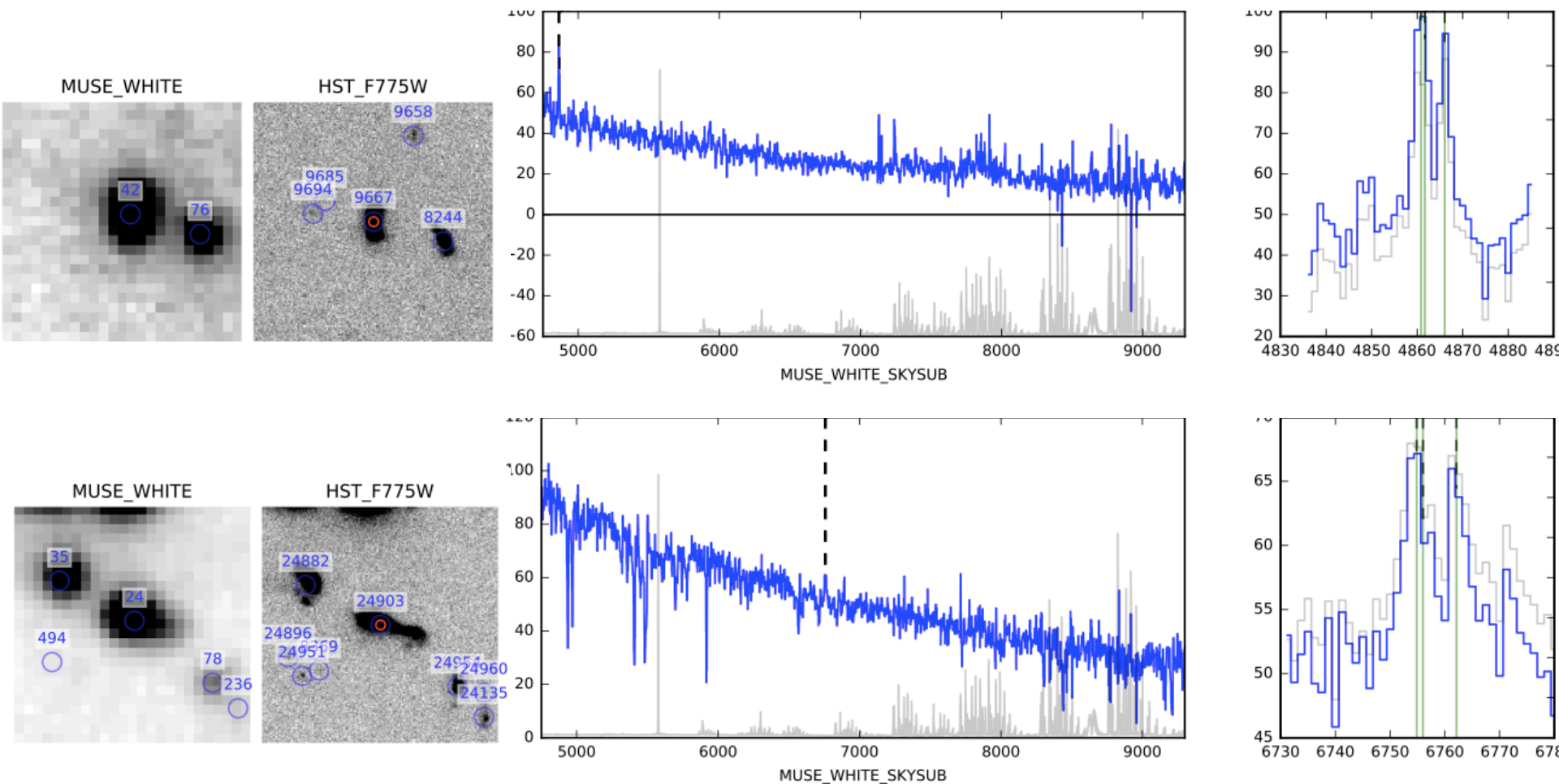




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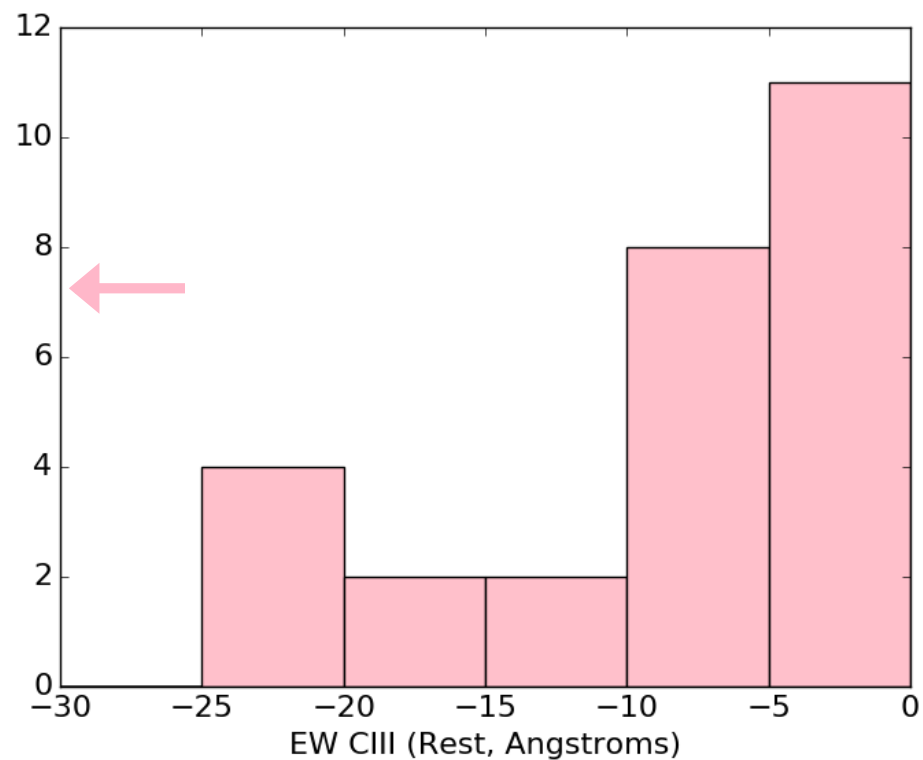
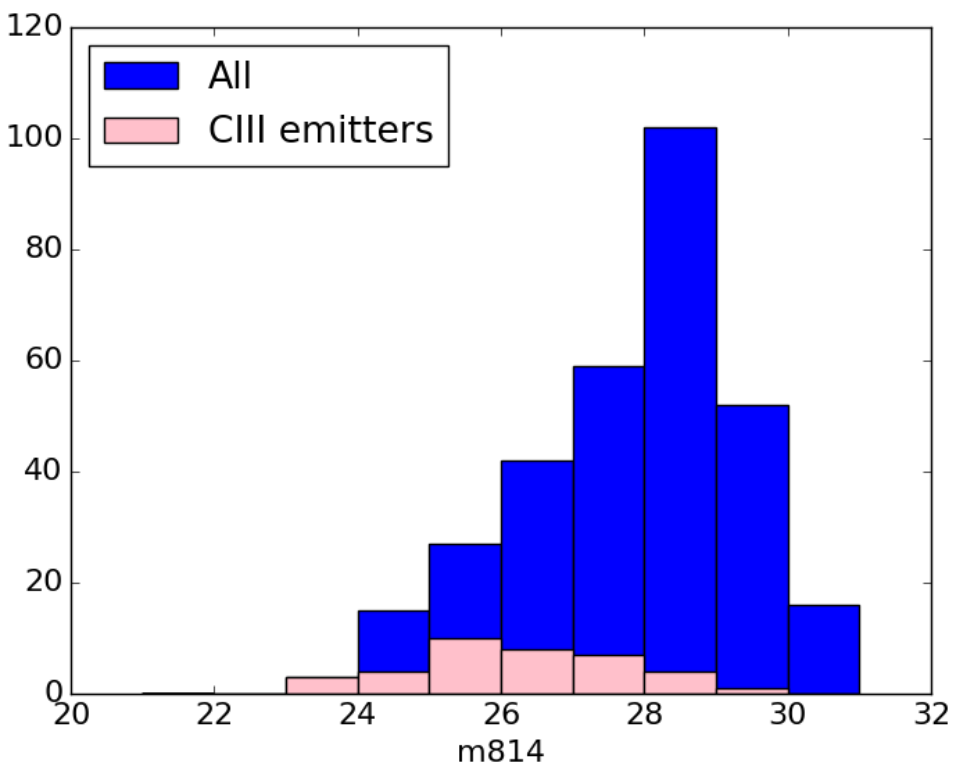
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- Line fluxes and EWs determined with **platefit** (Tremonti+14, Brinchmann+14)
- Redshifts for other sources from 3D-HST grism spectroscopy (UDF only) or photometry

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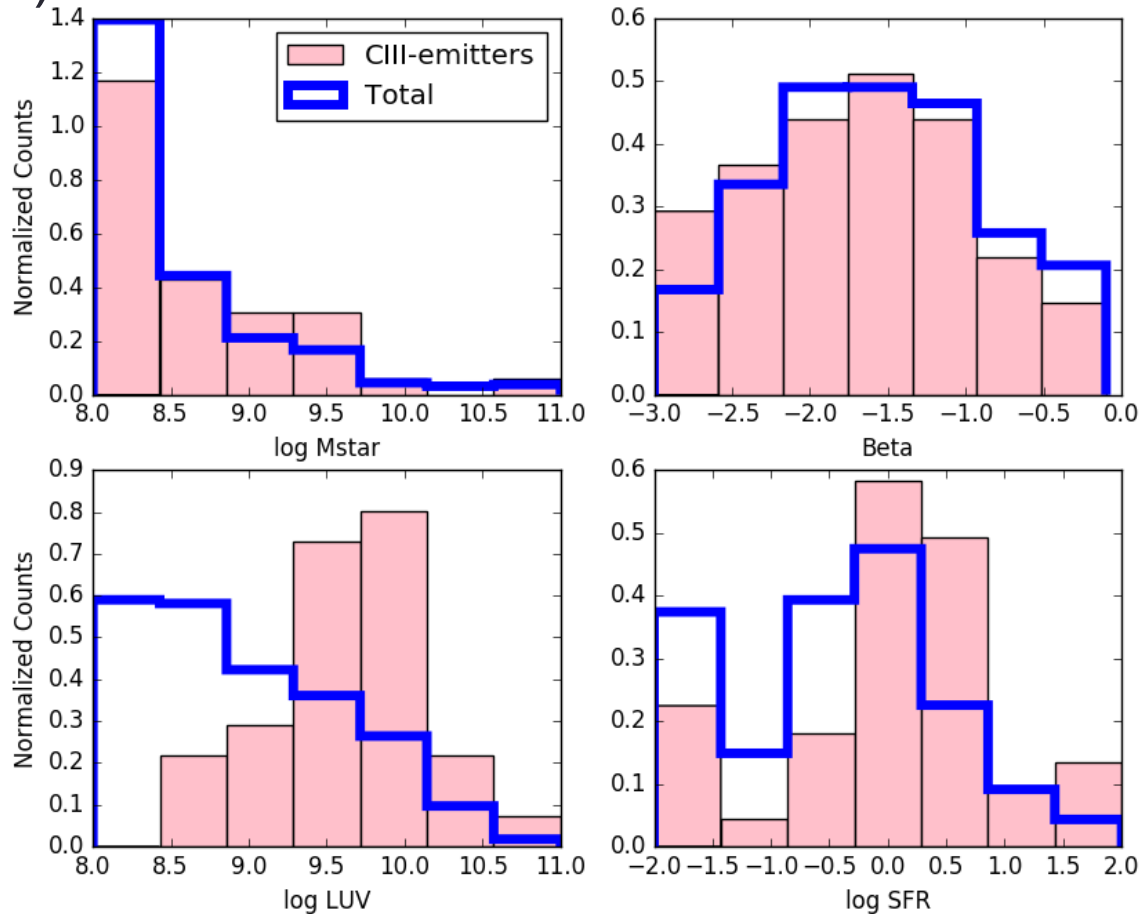
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- 38% (17/45) of  $m814 < 26$  galaxies at these  $z$ 's have CIII detection



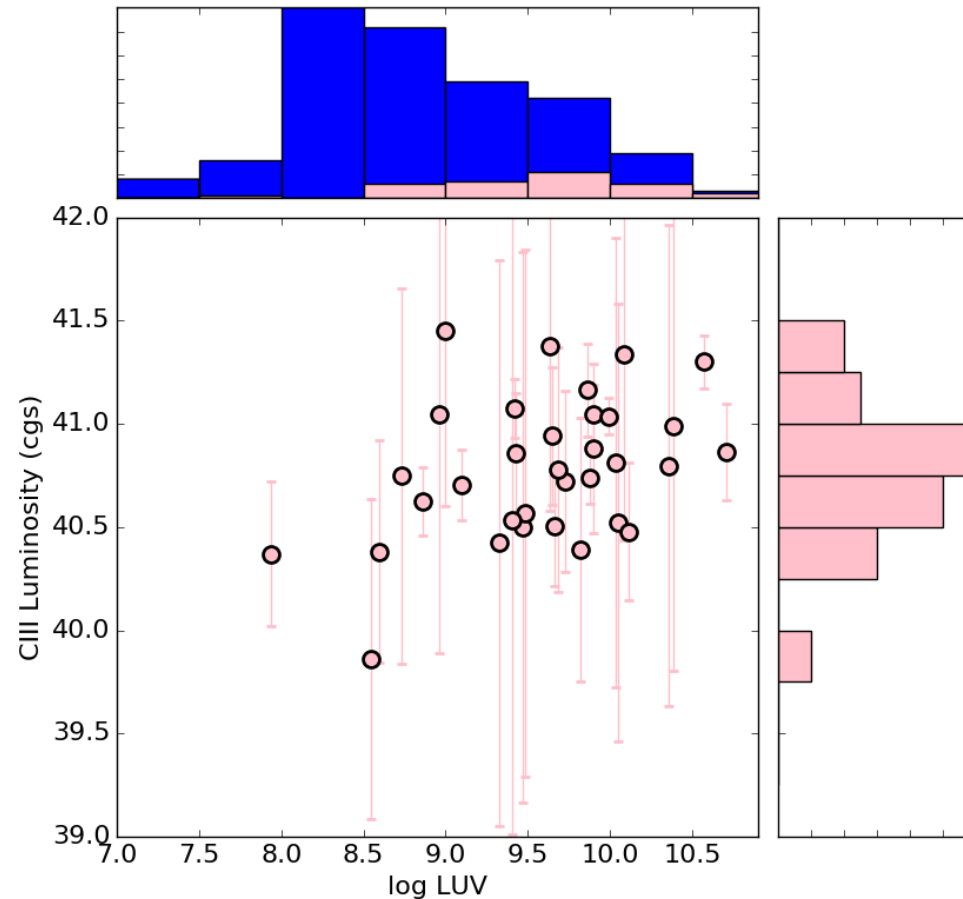
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- Compare e.g. SED-derived quantities (MAGPHYS – da Cunha+08)



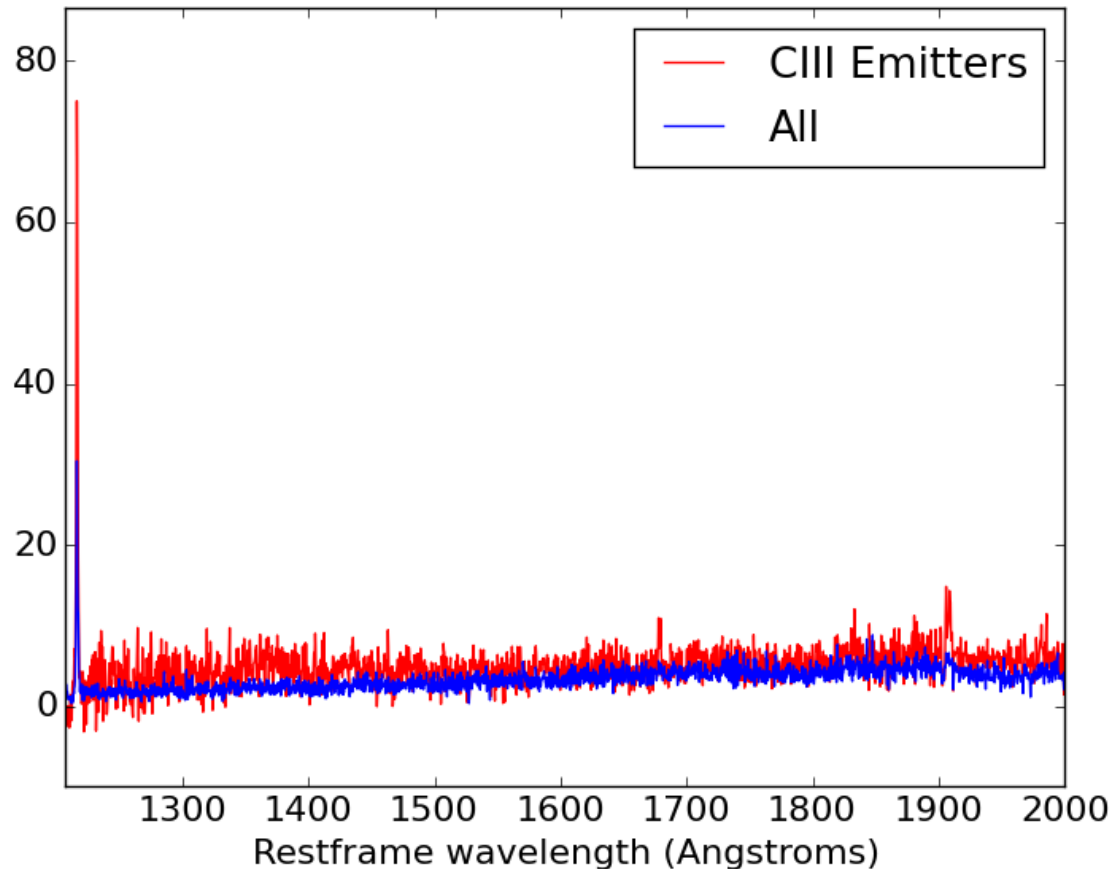
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- Relation between LUV and CIII luminosity tentative



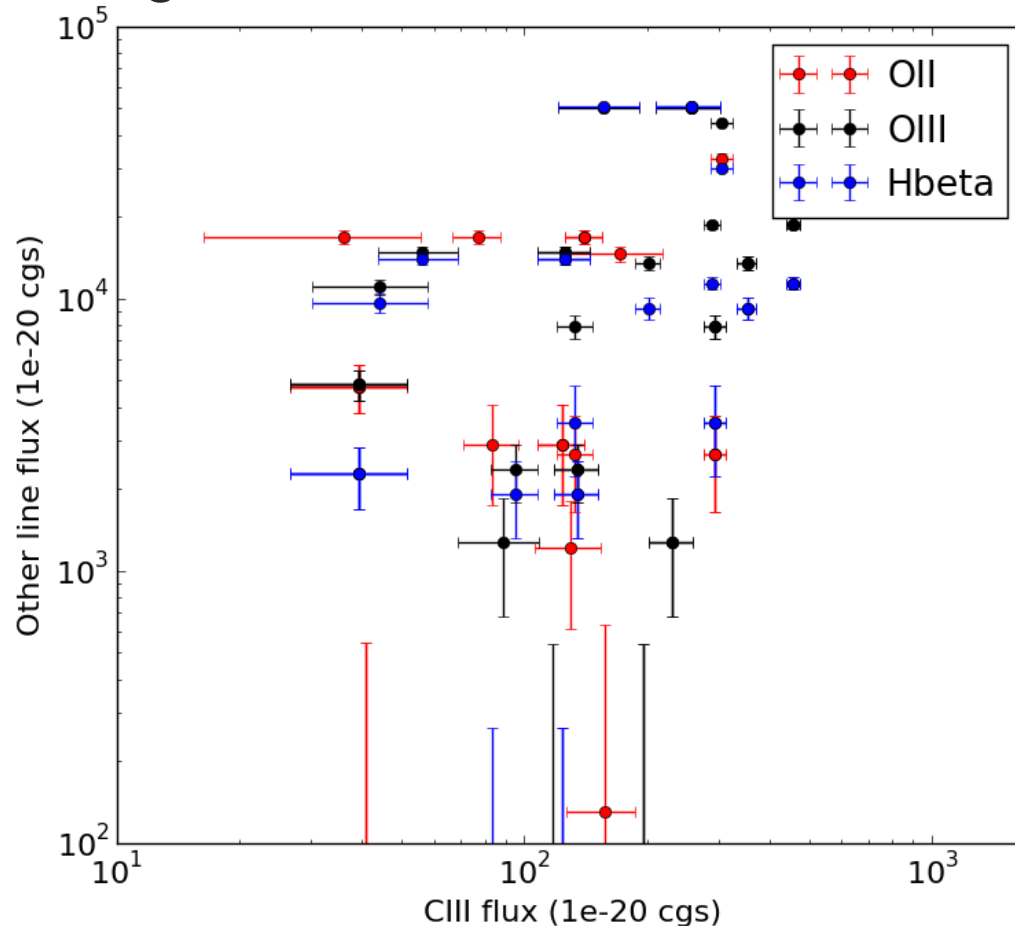
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- Brighter optical emission lines (OIII, H $\beta$ , OII; from 3D-HST in UDF)  $\rightarrow$  brighter CIII



# Conclusions and Outlook

- Sample of 37  $1.5 < z < 4$  CIII emitters down to  $10^{-19}$  erg/s/cm<sup>2</sup>/arcsec<sup>2</sup>
- Will be supplemented by:
  - Deeper UDF pointing (up to 80h)
  - 9 additional MUSE pointings in UDF to 10h depth
  - ...

In general, CIII emission visible in

- (UV-) brightest galaxies
- Objects with strong optical emission lines