

An aerial photograph of the Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope (CFHT) observatory on Maunakea, Hawaii. The image shows several large white telescope domes and support structures on a dark, volcanic landscape. In the background, other mountain peaks are visible under a clear sky. A purple, filamentary cosmic web pattern is overlaid on the top portion of the image, extending from the top edge down to the text area.

The next generation of the CFHT:

A 10m, Wide-Field, Spectroscopic Facility for the Coming Decade

Alan W. McConnachie
Research Officer / Instrument Scientist
NRC Herzberg Institute of Astrophysics, Victoria, Canada

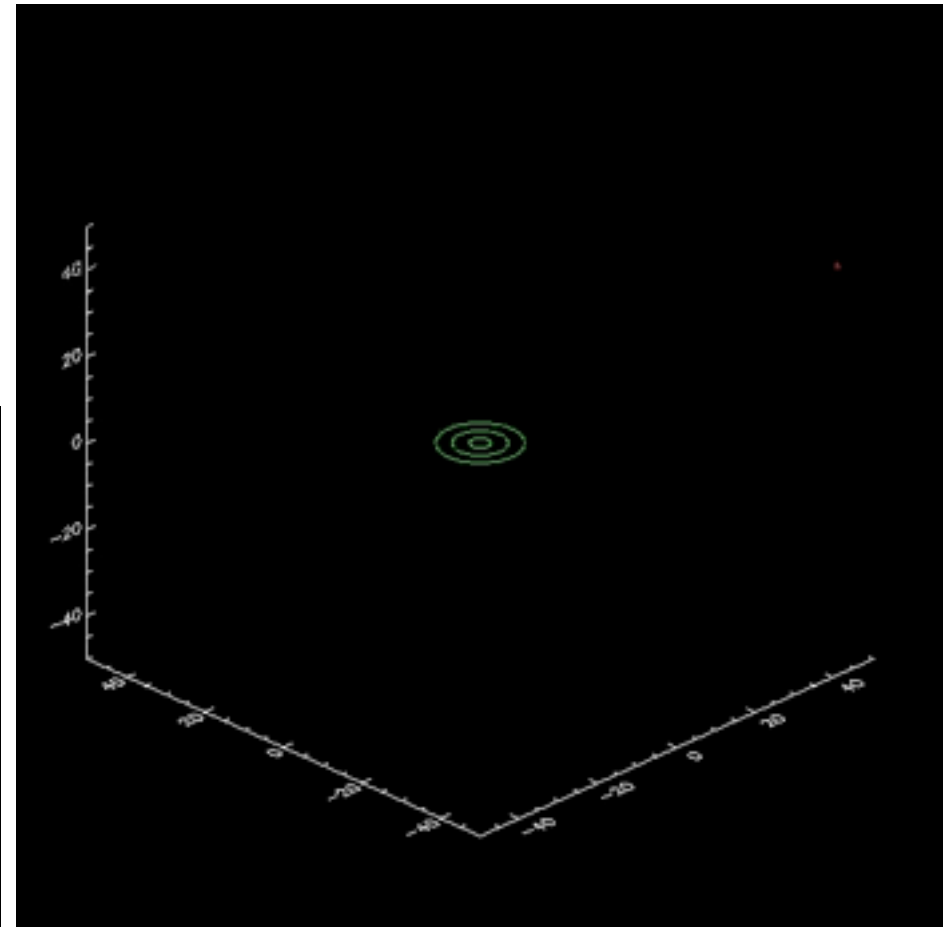
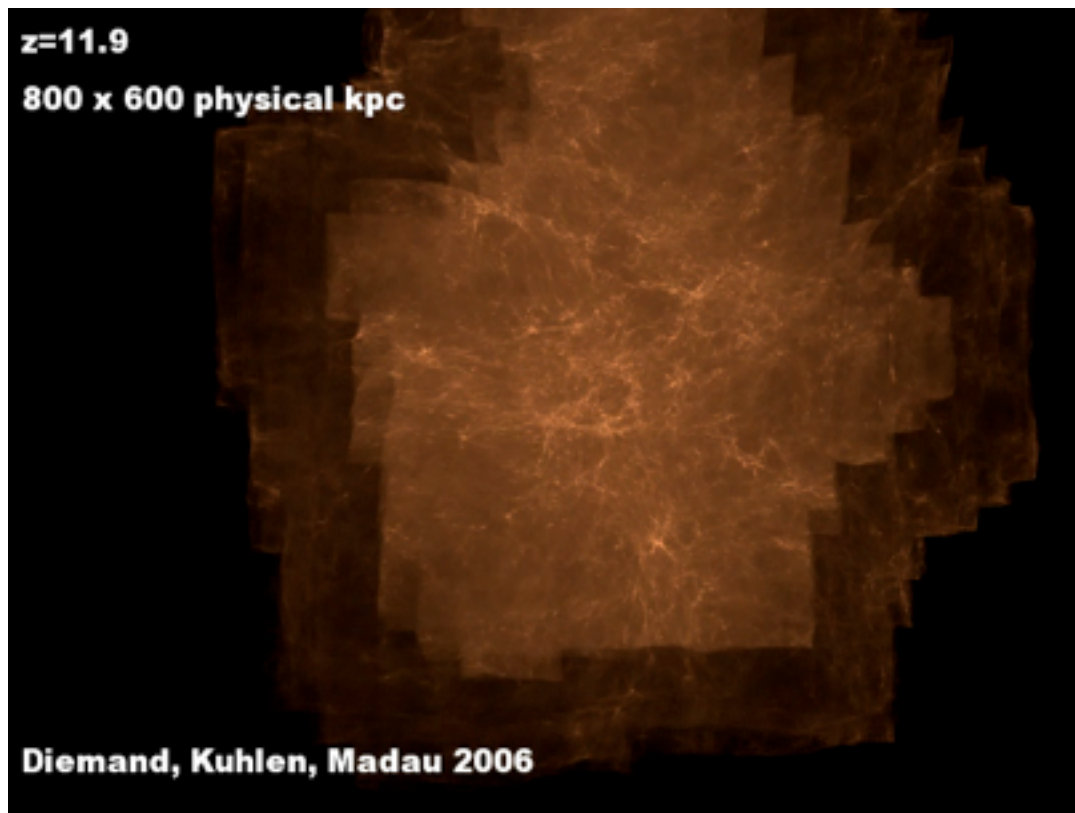
Institute for the Physics and Mathematics of the Universe
November 7 2011

This talk:

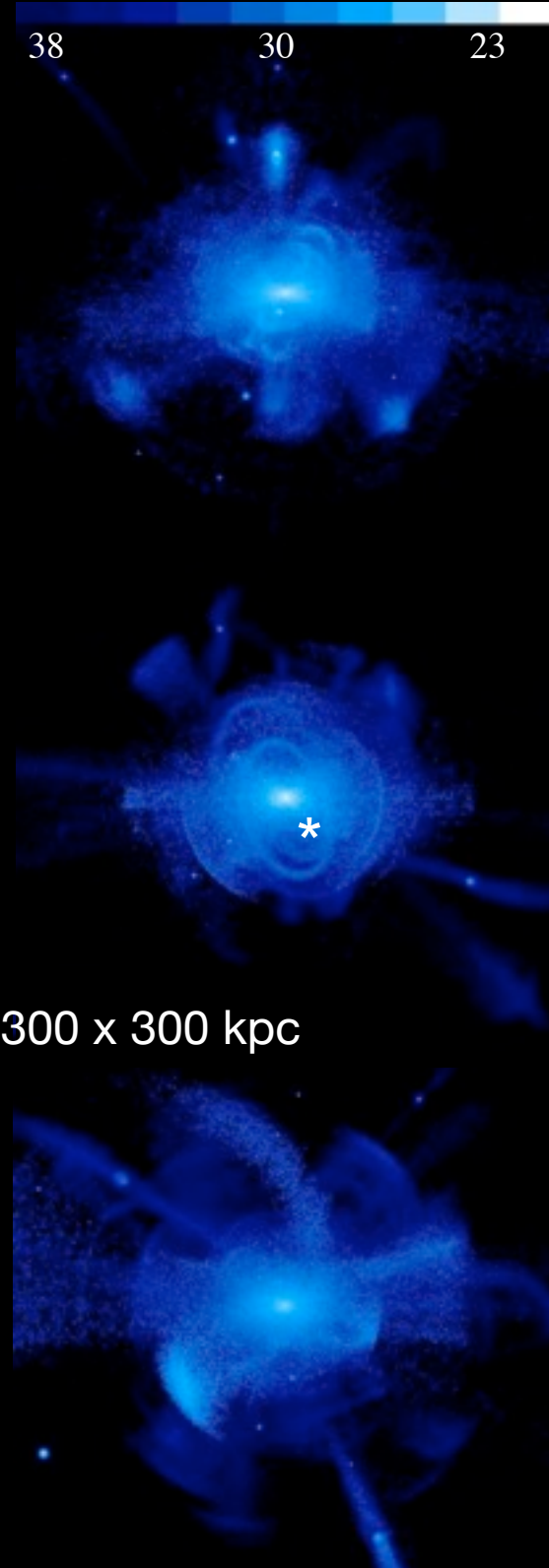
- **Introduction: Who am I / what do I do?**
- **What is the CFHT?**
- **What is the missing but essential capability for astronomy in the next decade?**
- **What should we do about it?**

Structure formation and the formation of the MW

- Gravitational collapse of dark matter: small structures form first and merge to form larger systems (hierarchical)
- No baryons



- MW-type haloes expected to accrete many dwarf-mass haloes, some of which will contain baryons (stars)
- Fossil remnants remain at $z=0$. *Very faint.*



300 x 300 kpc

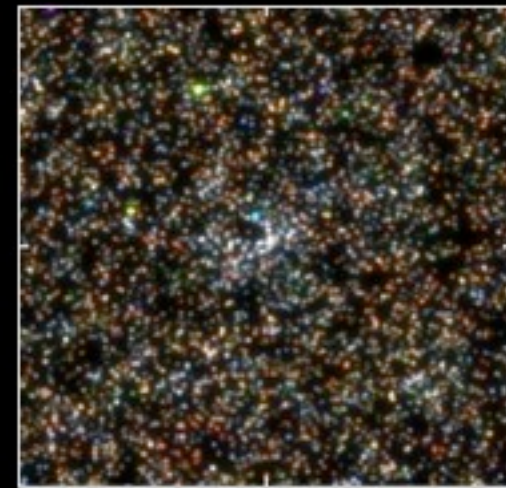
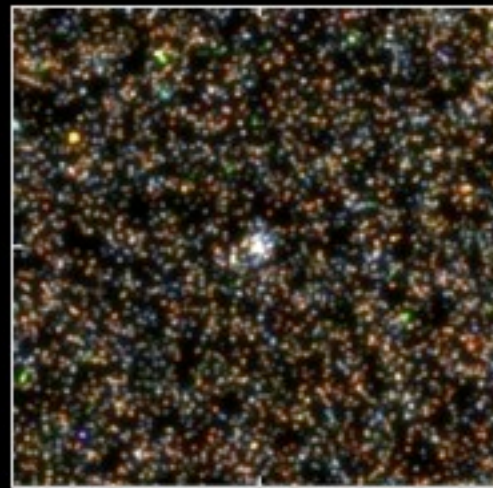
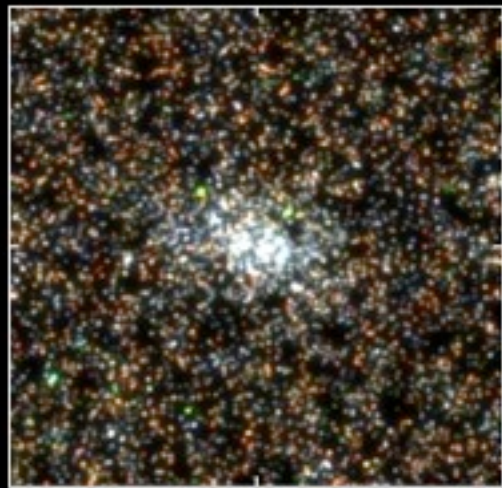
- Predictions now exist for dark and luminous matter on small scales:
 - over half of stellar halo in place 8 Gyrs ago; effectively all in place 4Gyrs ago;
 - stellar halo beyond 50kpc dominated by late accretions;
 - late, massive accretions rare;
 - stellar halo has power law index 3, 4 (steeper than the dark matter);
 - mildly triaxial
- Questions:
 - How much substructure? Too much? Too little?
 - Missing satellite problem - what is the LF of satellite galaxies?
 - What is the morphology of substructure? (Early versus late accretions)
 - What is the global shape of the stellar haloes?
 - Follow-up imaging + spectroscopy: what is the recent accretion history of M31 and M33?
 - SFH + chemical evolution of proto-galactic building blocks.

Canes Venatici I

Bootes

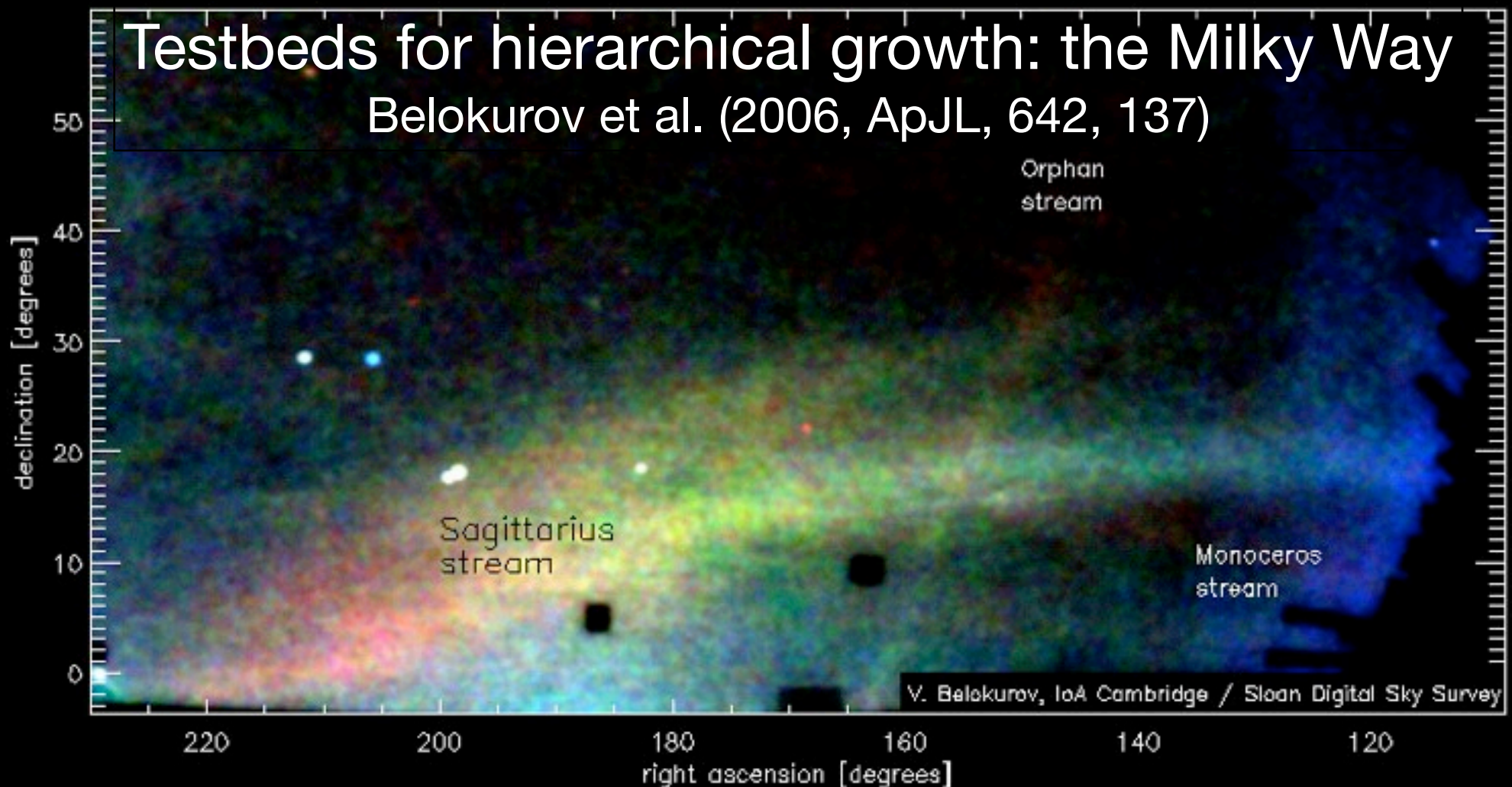
Canes Venatici II

Coma Berenices



Testbeds for hierarchical growth: the Milky Way

Belokurov et al. (2006, ApJL, 642, 137)



V. Belokurov, IoA Cambridge / Sloan Digital Sky Survey



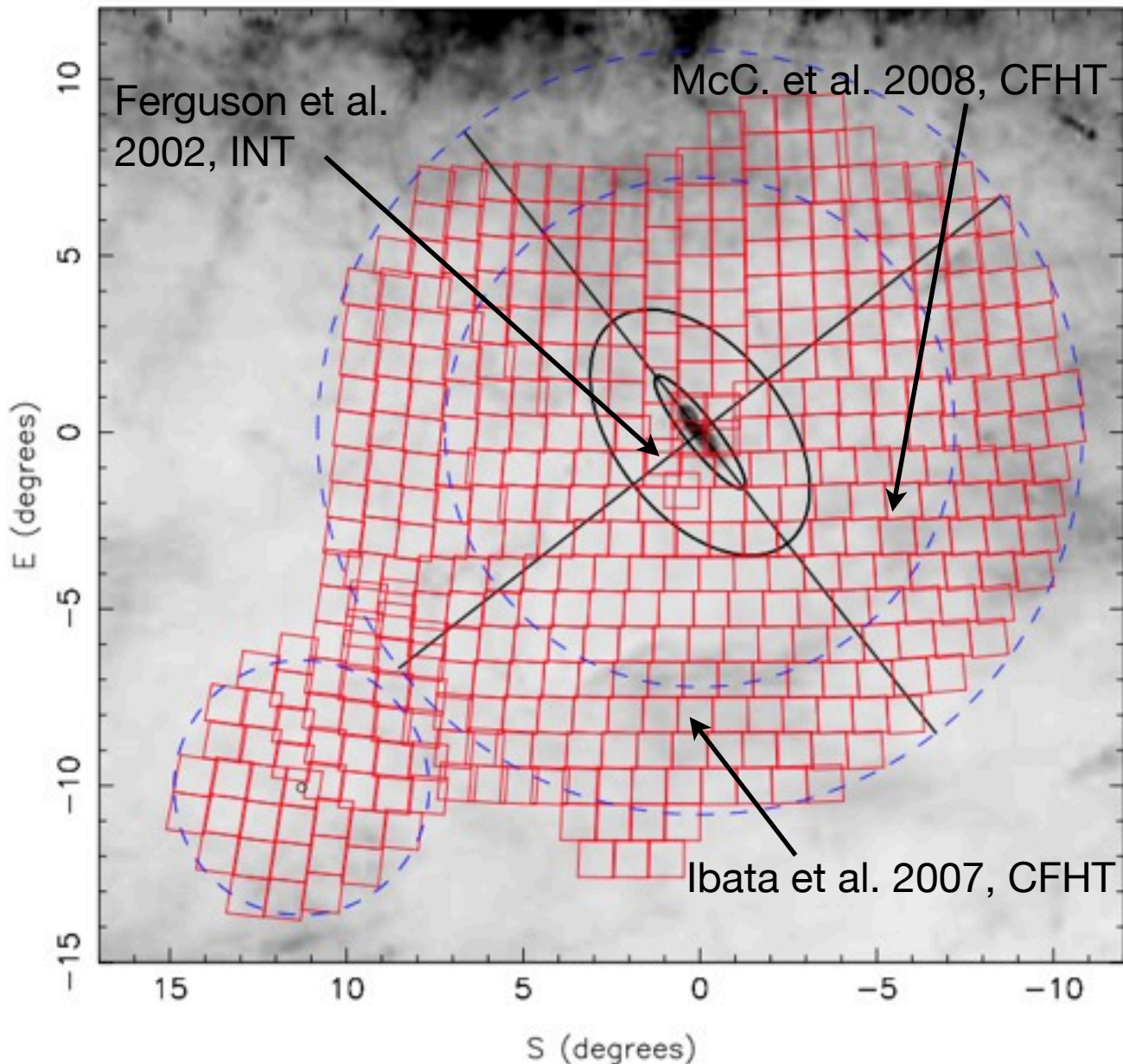
The Pan-Andromeda Archaeological Survey (PAndAS)

P.I. Alan McConnachie

Arif Babul, Mike Barker, Pauline Barmby, Edouard Bernard, Scott Chapman, Robert Cockcroft, Michelle Collins, Anthony Conn, Pat Cote, Tim Davidge, Anjali Doney, Aaron Dotter, John Dubinski, Greg Fahlman, Mark Fardal, Annette Ferguson, Jurgen Fliri, Bill Harris, Avon Huxor, Rodrigo Ibata, Mike Irwin, Geraint Lewis, Dougal Mackay, Nicolas Martin, Mustapha Moucine, Julio Navarro, Jorge Penarrubia, Thomas Puzia, Mike Rich, Jenny Richardson, Harvey Richer, Arnaud Siebert, Nial Tanvir, David Valls-Gabaud, Kim Venn, Larry Widrow, Kristin Woodley...

PAndAS: The Pan-Andromeda Archaeological Survey

The Survey (S08B, S09B, S10B)

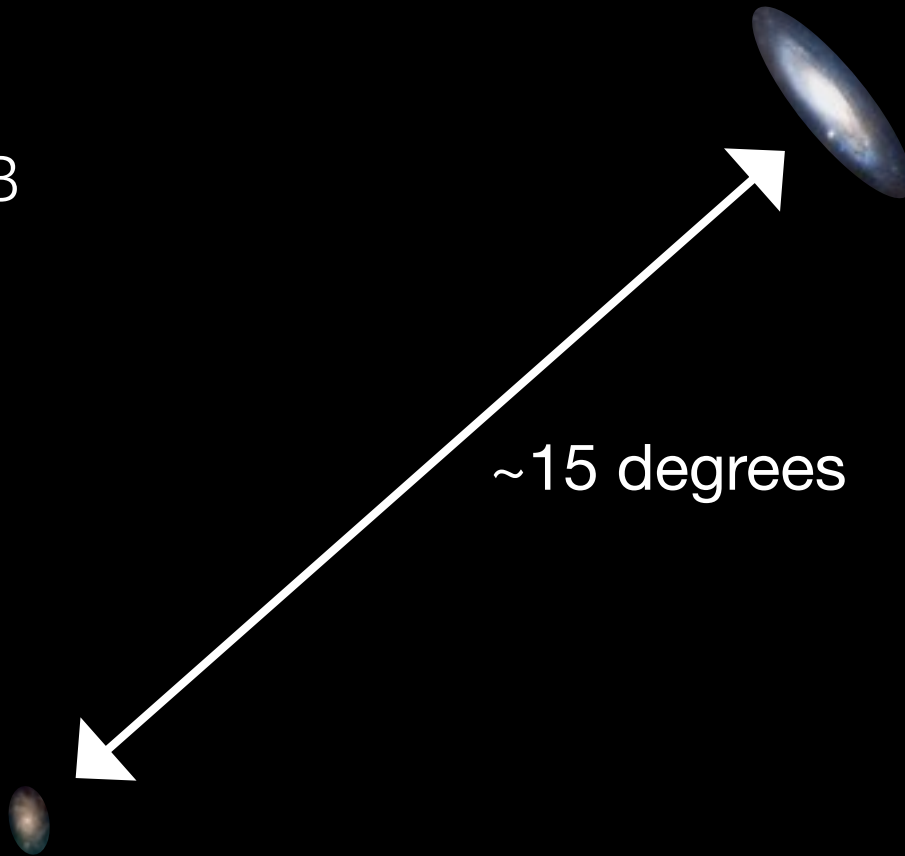


- CFHT/MegaCam (3.6m, 1degree field of view)
- S08B - S10B: 226 hours (41 nights) (B semesters only) on MegaCam in g and i bands
- Builds upon earlier P.I. programs by Ibata (S02B - S06B) and McConnachie (S06B - S07B)
- Total area of ~400 square degrees (>15 million cubic kpc of halo of M31/M33)

Completed observations in January 2011

PAndAS' footprint

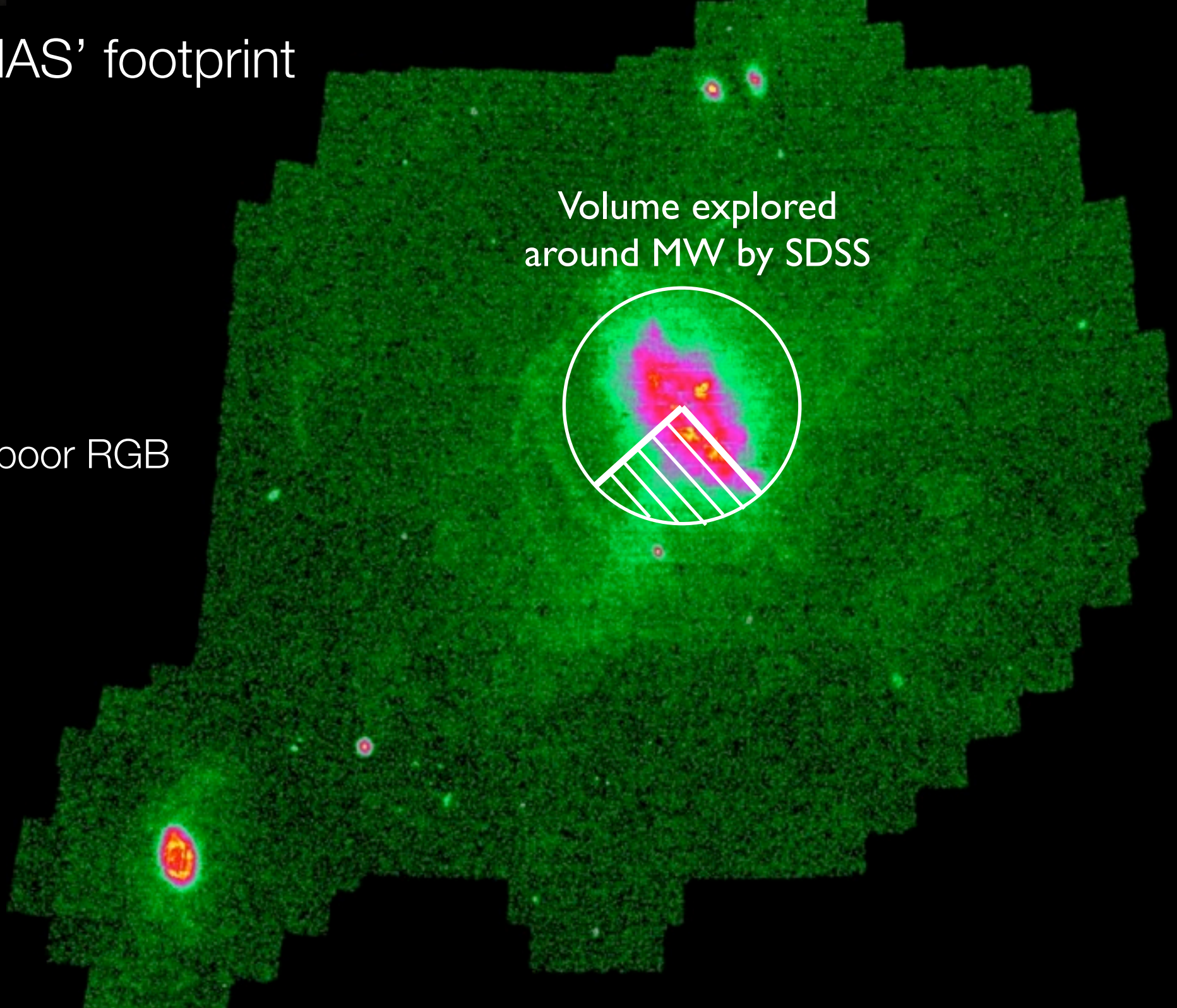
Metal-poor RGB

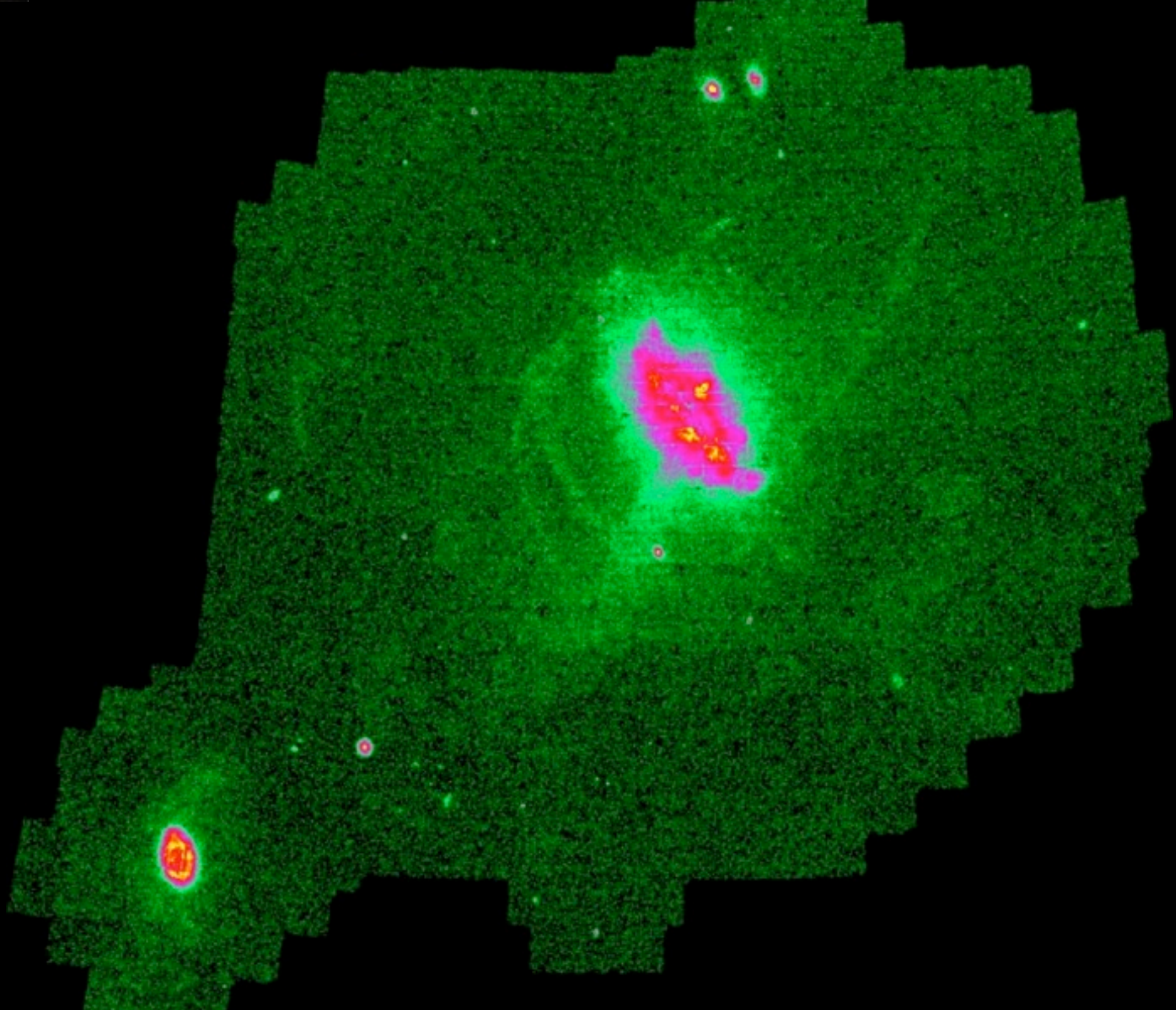


PAndAS' footprint

Metal-poor RGB

Volume explored
around MW by SDSS

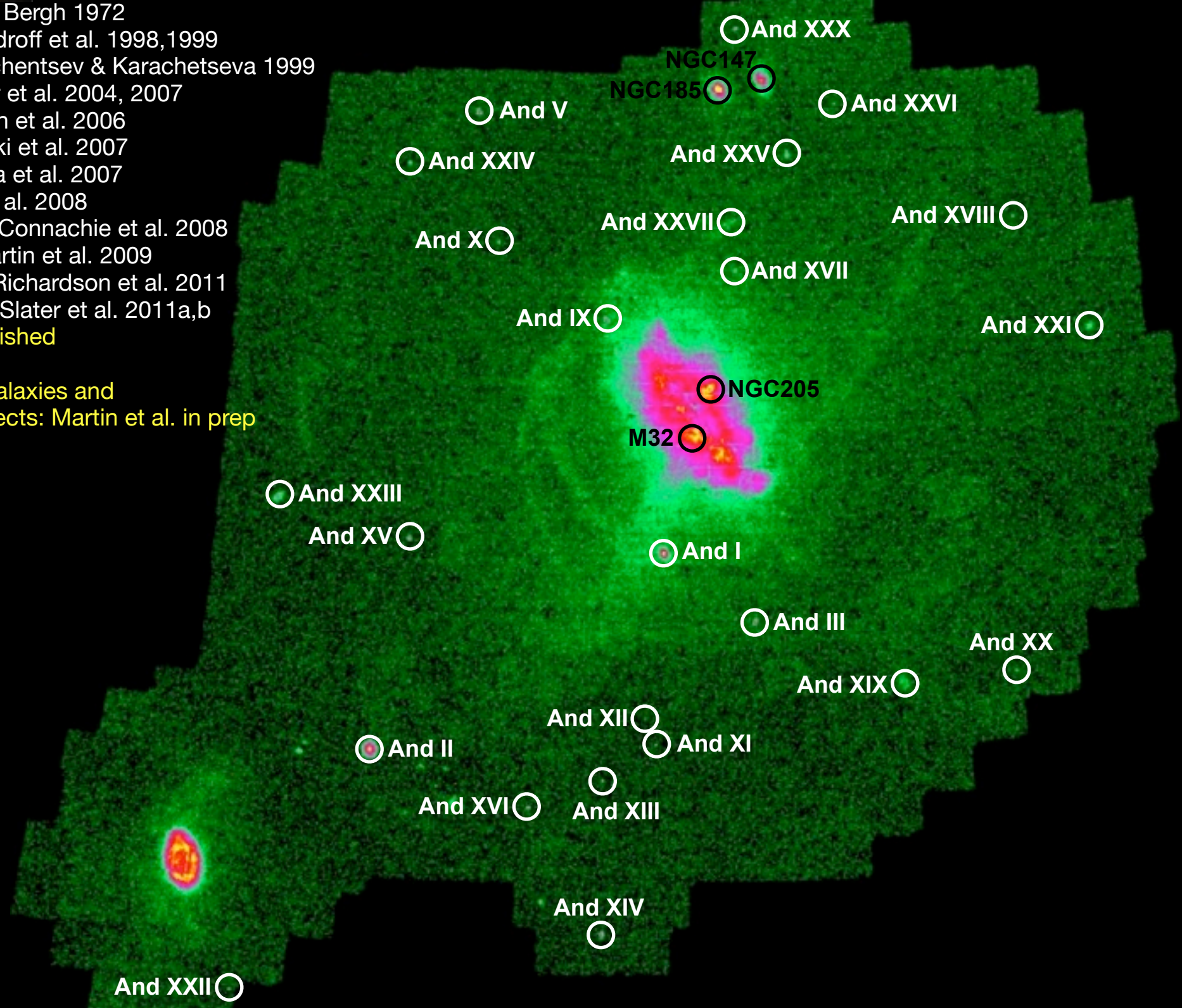




Monday, November 7, 2011

I-III: van den Bergh 1972
 V, VI: Armandroff et al. 1998,1999
 VI, VII: Karachentsev & Karachetseva 1999
 IX, X: Zucker et al. 2004, 2007
 XI-XIII: Martin et al. 2006
 XIV: Majewski et al. 2007
 XV, XVI: Ibata et al. 2007
 XVII: Irwin et al. 2008
 XVIII-XX: McConnachie et al. 2008
 XXI, XXII: Martin et al. 2009
 XXIII-XXVII: Richardson et al. 2011
 XXVIII-XXIX: Slater et al. 2011a,b
 XXX: Unpublished

Candidate galaxies and
 selection effects: Martin et al. in prep

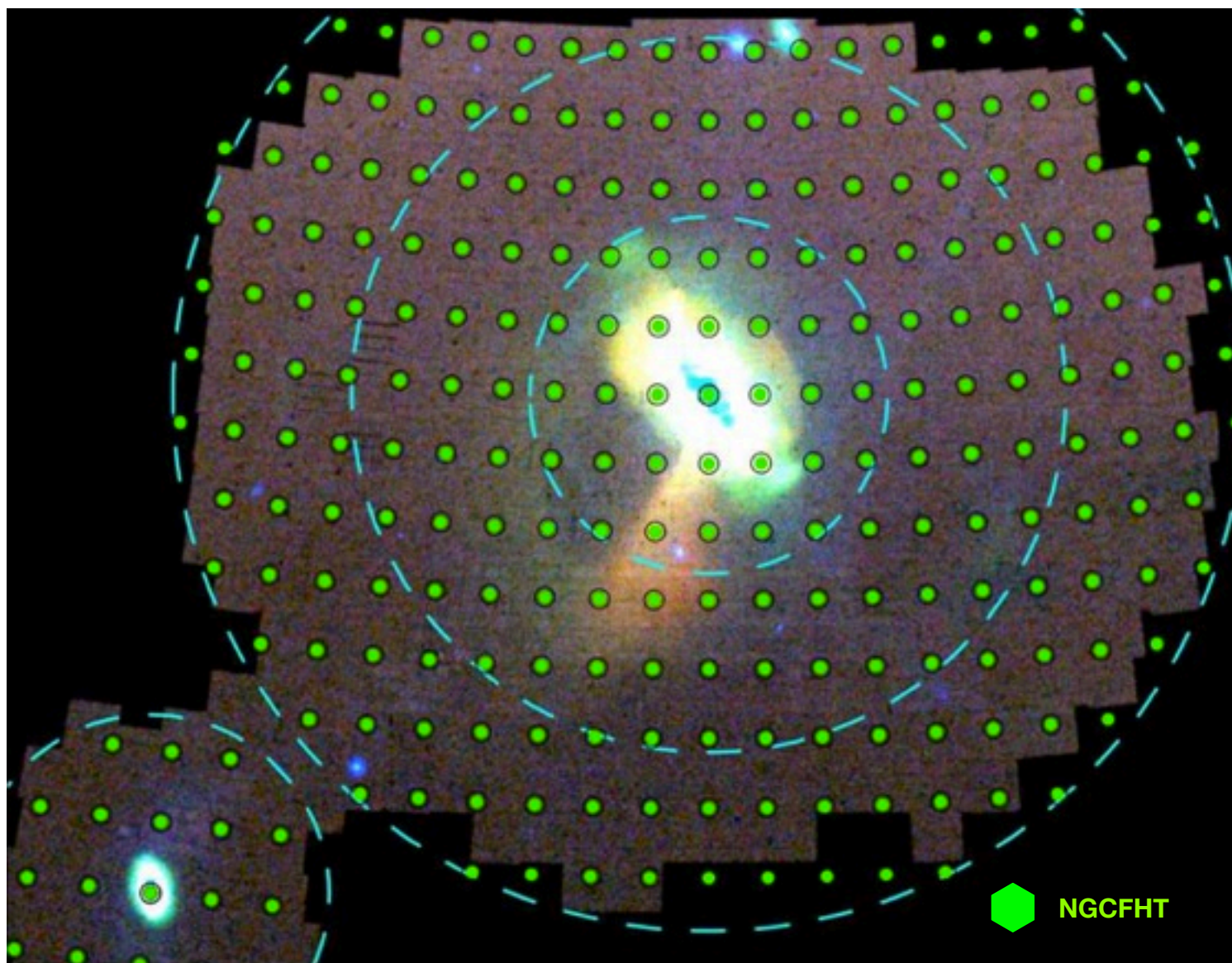


Near field cosmology

- Instead of looking at galaxy formation in situ, we can use study the fossil remnants of the galaxy formation process in the nearest galaxies
- Here, ages of stars correspond to the redshifts at which they were formed
- Dynamical and structural studies of nearby galaxies connect to the structure formation process
- Star formation and chemical abundance studies give important information on the baryonic processes governing galaxy growth, and allow us to associate these processes with timescales
- The most detailed information will always be possible for the Milky Way, although external galaxies give us vital panoramic information and allow us to explore other morphological types

Looking forward...

Looking forward...from star counts to a velocity field?



The Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope



- The Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope (CFHT) is a 3.6m optical and infrared telescope located on the summit of Mauna Kea, Hawaii (4204 m).

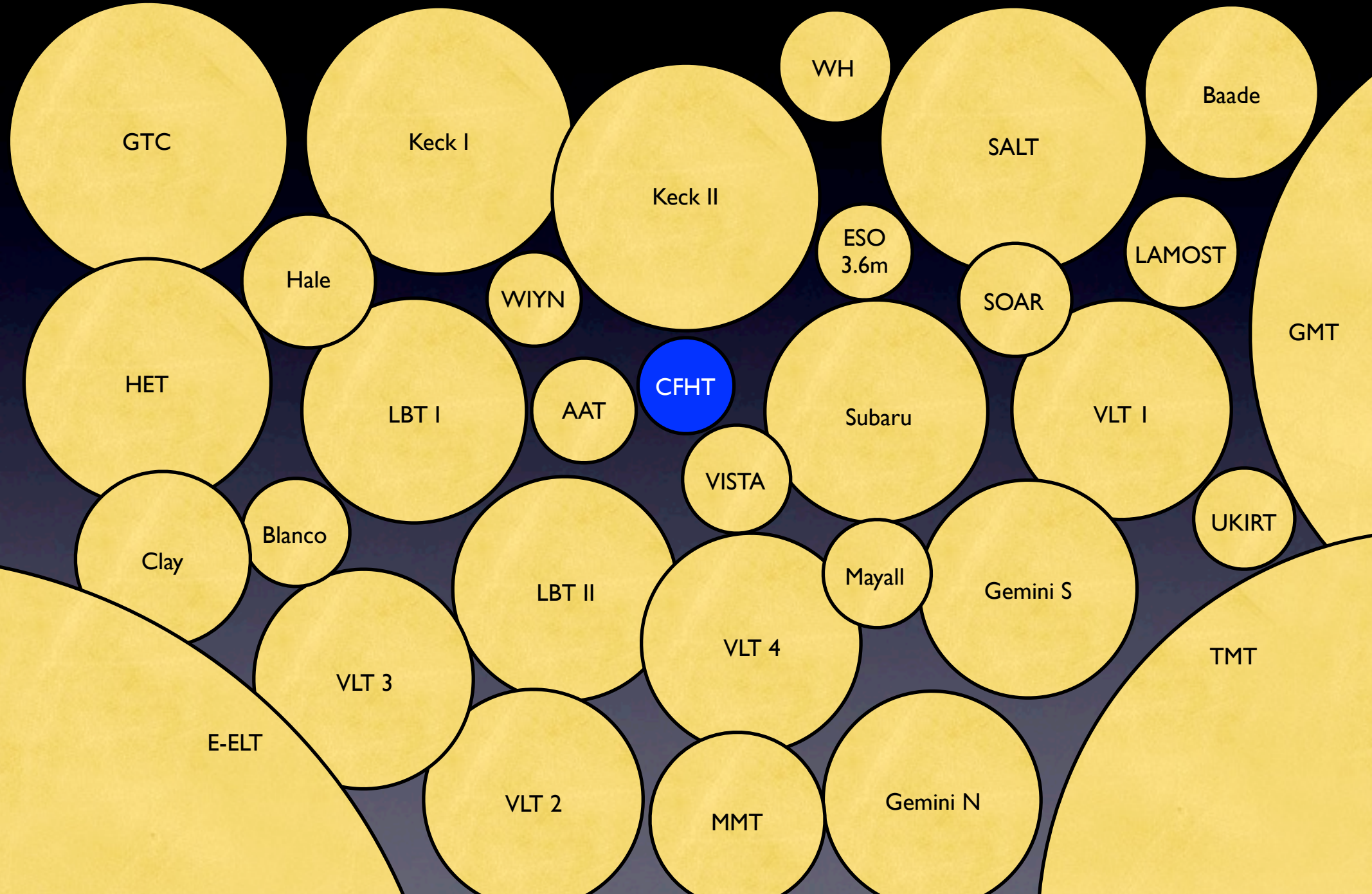
- First light in 1979
- 1979-1993: “best in the world”
 - various CCD and IR imagers; HRCam; HIFI; Herzberg, coudé and UV Prime spectrographs; CIGALE; etc.
- 1993-2010: “best in class”
 - Gecko, MOS/OSIS, Fabry-Pérot, OASIS, FTS, KIR, Redeye, CHFT-IR, PUEO, FOCAM, MOCAM, UH8K, CFH12K, etc
 - MegaCam (2003), WIRCam (2005), ESPaDOns (2005)
- 2010-2020:
 - short-term: IMAKA, SITELLE, SPIRou, or Gyes: available between 2013 to 2016?
 - long-term: upgrade to a Next Generation CFHT (ngCFHT)?
- Located at one of the world’s premier astronomical sites:
 - median seeing (free atmosphere) of 0.4”
 - median precipitable water vapour=0.9mm
 - useable nights: 80% spectroscopic, 55% photometric.



2020+ : Telescopes in perspective



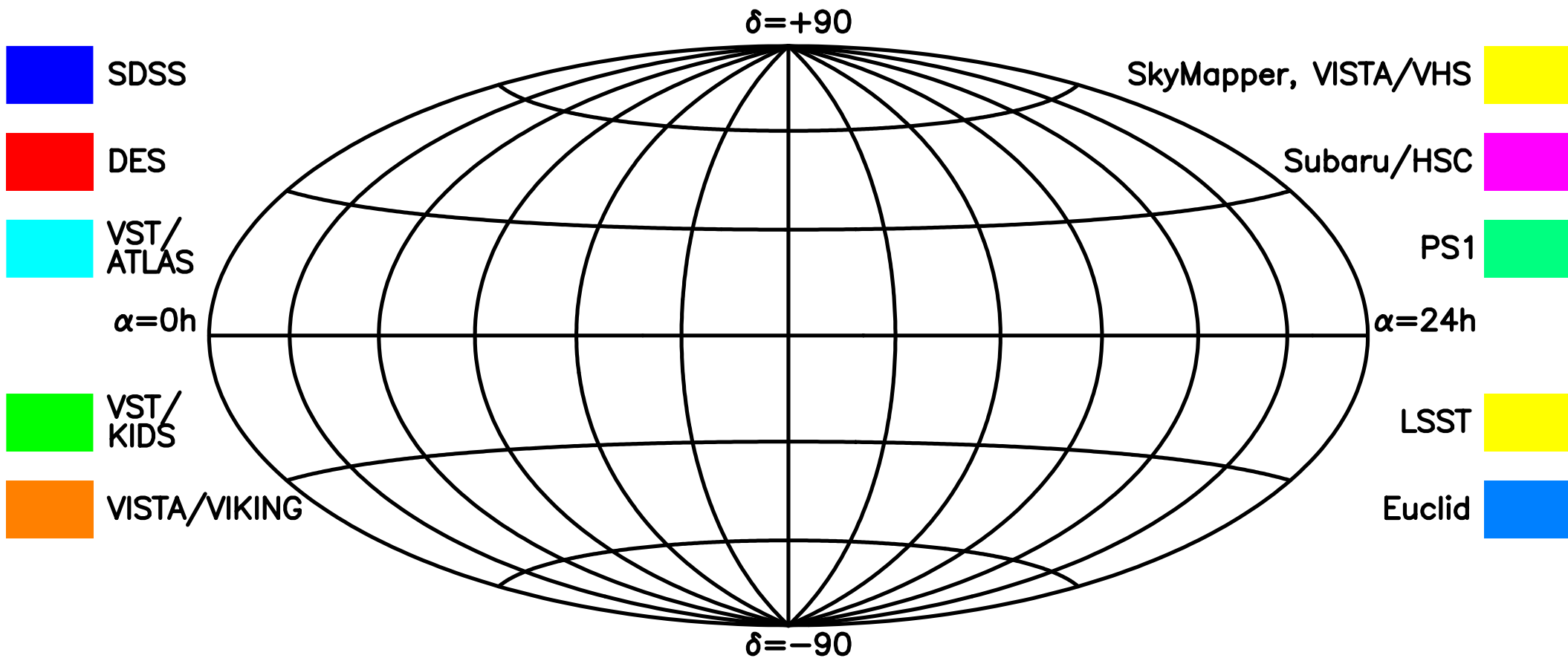
2020+ : Telescopes in perspective



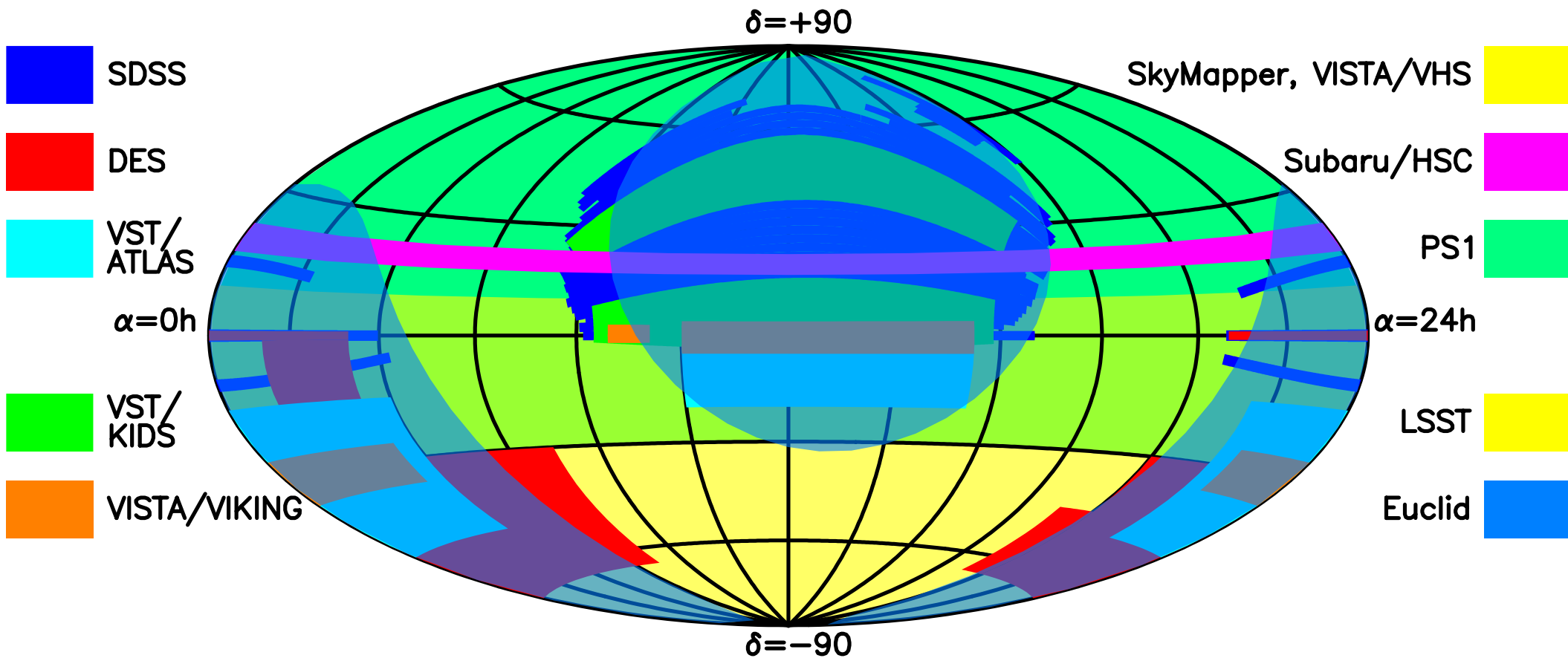
Wide Field Imaging Facilities: 2010 - 2020+

Instrument	Telescope	D _{MI} (m)	Status	λ	Available	FOV (deg ²)	A Ω (m ² deg ²)
MegaCam	CFHT	3.6	Existing	Optical	2003	1	10.2
WIRCAM	CFHT	3.6	Existing	IR	2005	0.11	1.2
PSI	PSI	1.8	Existing	Optical	2009	7.3	18.6
VISTA	VISTA	4.0	Existing	IR	2010	0.6	7.5
Skymapper	Skymapper	1.35	Existing	Optical	2011	5.7	8.2
HSC	Subaru	8.2	Pending	Optical	2012	1.7	90
ODI	WIYN	3.5	Pending	Optical	2012	1	9.6
DEC	Blanco	4.0	Pending	Optical	2012	3	38
PS2	PS2	2x1.8	Pending	Optical	2012	7.3	37
IMAKA	CFHT	3.6	Proposed	Optical	2016	0.5	5.1
LSST	LSST	8.4	Proposed	Optical	2019	6.7	370
Euclid	Euclid	1.2	Proposed	IR/Optical	2018:	0.5	0.6
WFIRST	WFIRST	1.5	Proposed	IR/Optical	>2020	0.5	0.9

Wide Field Imaging Facilities: 2010 - 2020+

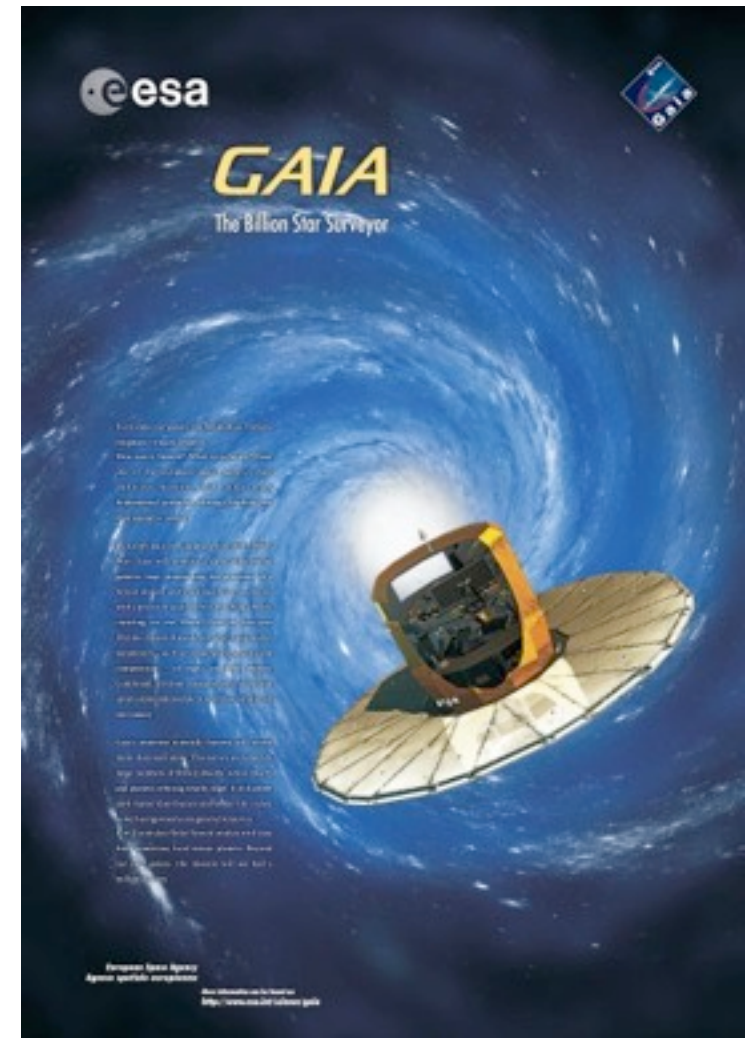


Wide Field Imaging Facilities: 2010 - 2020+



Forthcoming astrometric missions

- **GAIA** - Near Field Cosmology in the Milky Way
- Launches in 2012. Nominal 5 year lifetime. All sky survey
- Astrometric catalogue complete to $V \sim 20$ (~1 billion stars)
- Parallaxes: median parallaxes of
 - $4 \mu\text{as}$ at $V=10$ mag
 - $11 \mu\text{as}$ at $V=15$ mag
 - $160 \mu\text{as}$ at $V=20$ mag
- Spectroscopy:
 - Radial velocities: $<15 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ to $V=16-17$ mag
 - Astrophysical information (interstellar reddening, atmospheric parameters, rotational velocities) for $V < 13$ mag
 - Element abundances for $V < 12$
- AAT/HERMES expected to follow-up on GAIA for southern sky, obtaining hi- res spectra ($R \sim 28000$) for ~1 million stars to $V \sim 14$ @ $S/N > 100$



The Next Generation CFHT Proposal

- There is an extraordinary opportunity to capitalize on the need for extensive, wide field, highly multiplexed, optical/infrared spectroscopy in the coming decades
- **The Next Generation CFHT concept:** create a new and expanded partnership to:

The Next Generation CFHT Proposal

- There is an extraordinary opportunity to capitalize on the need for extensive, wide field, highly multiplexed, optical/infrared spectroscopy in the coming decades
- The Next Generation CFHT concept: create a new and expanded partnership to:

1. replace the present 3.6m primary mirror with a 10m-class (segmented) mirror, mounted on the existing pier.
2. install a **dedicated** wide-field (1.5 deg^2) multi-object spectrograph that can simultaneously collect spectra for >3000 sources.
3. do this by 2020 and immediately begin spectroscopic surveys.
 - ngCFHT will provide an **essential spectroscopic compliment** to MegaCam, PS1, HyperSuprimeCam, Skymapper, WIYN-ODI, GAIA, LSST, EUCLID and WFIRST
 - ngCFHT will enable **focussed science** on key targets

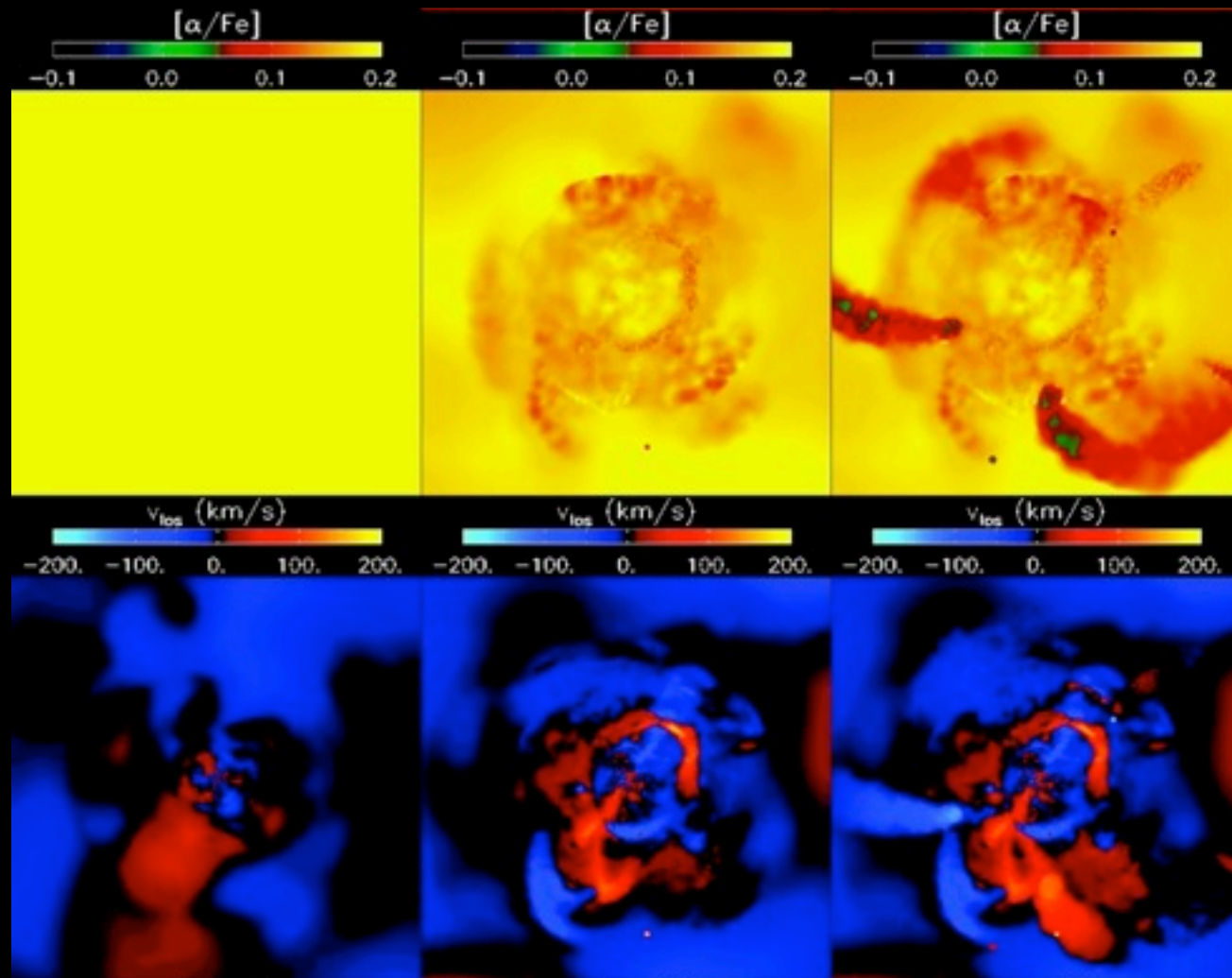
The next generation of the CFHT:
A dedicated 10-m, spectroscopic, wide-field telescope with extreme multiplexing

Primary Mirror	10m (segmented)			
Field of View	1.4 degree FOV (circular); $\Omega=1.5$ sq. degree			
Vignetting	<15%			
Wavelength Range	370 - 970nm			
IQ	FWHM < 0.55 arcsecs (free atm. $\sim 0.40 \pm 0.05$)			
Total system throughput*	0.15-0.21 (low res) / 0.12-0.18 (hi-res)			
Spectral Resolution*	1500 420-650	3500 630-970	5000 480-550/815-885	20000 480-680
Fibre diameter *	1.15 arcsecs (core)			
No. fibres	3200 (low + hi-res) / 800 (hi-res with complete wavelength coverage)]			
Positioner patrol region	100 arcsec diameter (with some overlaps)			
Configuration time*	~ 40 seconds			
$g_{\text{lim}} [T_{\text{exp}}=1\text{hr}]$	23.1 (R=5000, S/N=5 per A) / 19.7 (R=20000, S/N=20 per A)			

* From Ellis et al.(2009)

Key science: decoding the DNA of the Galaxy

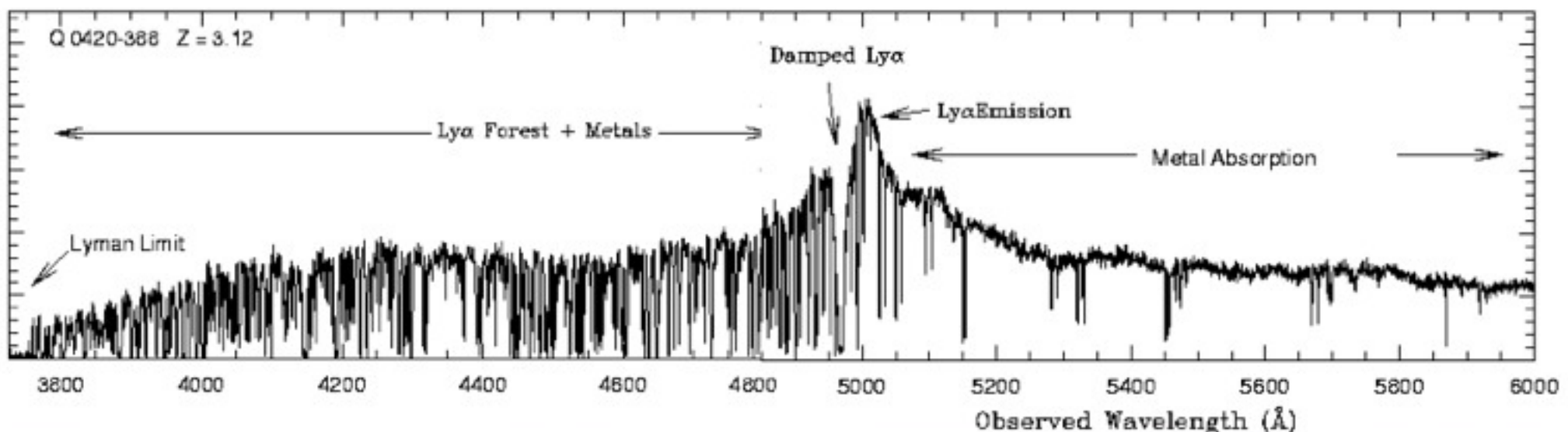
- Near-field cosmology in the Milky Way is a major growth area in astronomy that provides a **unique perspective on galaxy formation** and has a **rich discovery-space**
- **GAIA (launch 2012/13) will be a truly transformational facility:** in addition to precision astrometry, it will provide multi-element abundances for all stars to $V \sim 12$
- **ngCFHT will provide multi-element abundances (+velocities) for stars to $V \sim 20(23)$**
 - PopIII stars
 - Bulge/disks/halo chemo-dynamical decompositions
 - ...



- Bullock, Johnston, Font et al.
- Top: simulated alpha-element distribution for an L^* galaxy (300x300 kpc)
- Bottom: simulated line-of-sight velocity distribution for the simulated galaxy

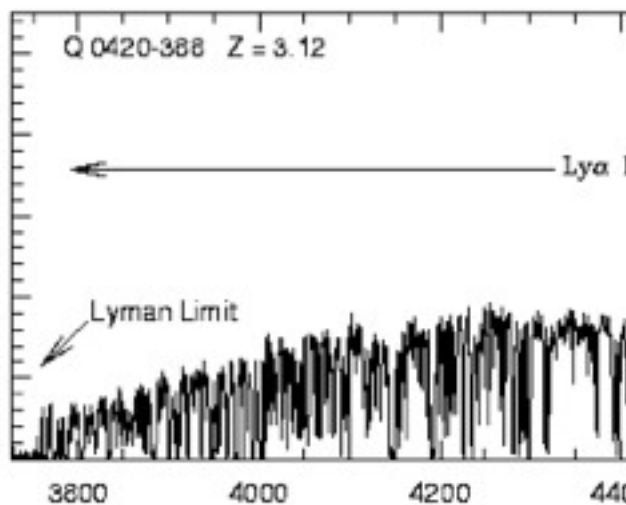
Key science: Cosmology and Dark Energy

- Large number of spectroscopic studies underway or proposed to constrain **dark energy and the equation of state** of the Universe (eg SDSS BOSS, BigBOSS...)
 - Typically smaller telescopes, poorer sites, survey lifetimes of a few years
 - cf. ngCFHT
- Also provide large scale test of General Relativity from **structure growth and geometrical measurements**
- **Dark matter profiles** from kinematic tracers of clusters
- Sight-lines probe the IGM density as a function of z . Can use this to study **BAO at $2 < z < 3$** - evolution of $w(z)$?

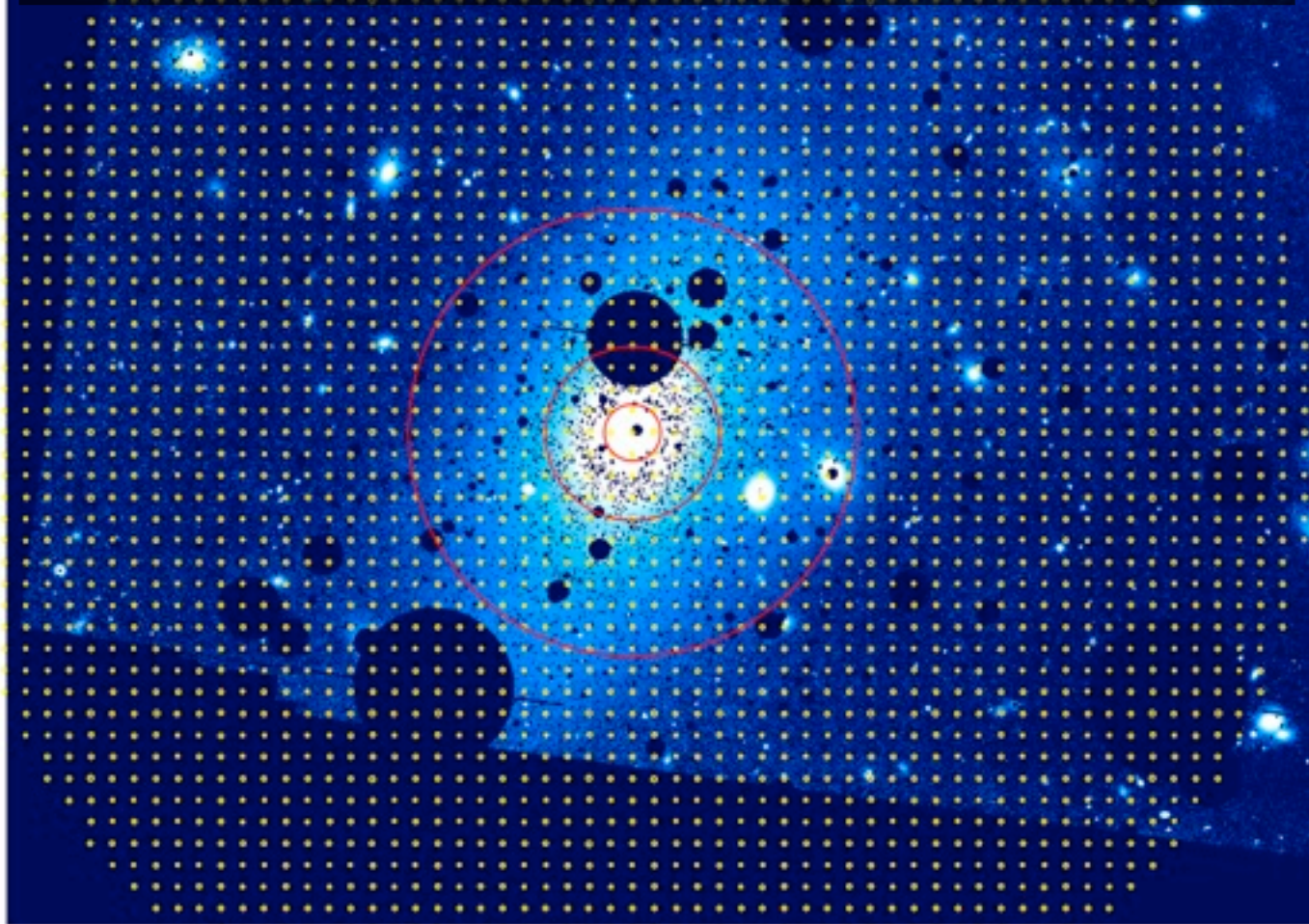


Key science: Cosmology and Dark Energy

- Large number of spectroscopic redshifts and the equation of state $w(z)$
 - Typically smaller telescopes
 - cf. ngCFHT
- Also provide large scale tomographic geometrical measurements
- Dark matter profiles from lensing
- Sight-lines probe the IGM
- $2 < z < 3$ - evolution of $w(z)$?

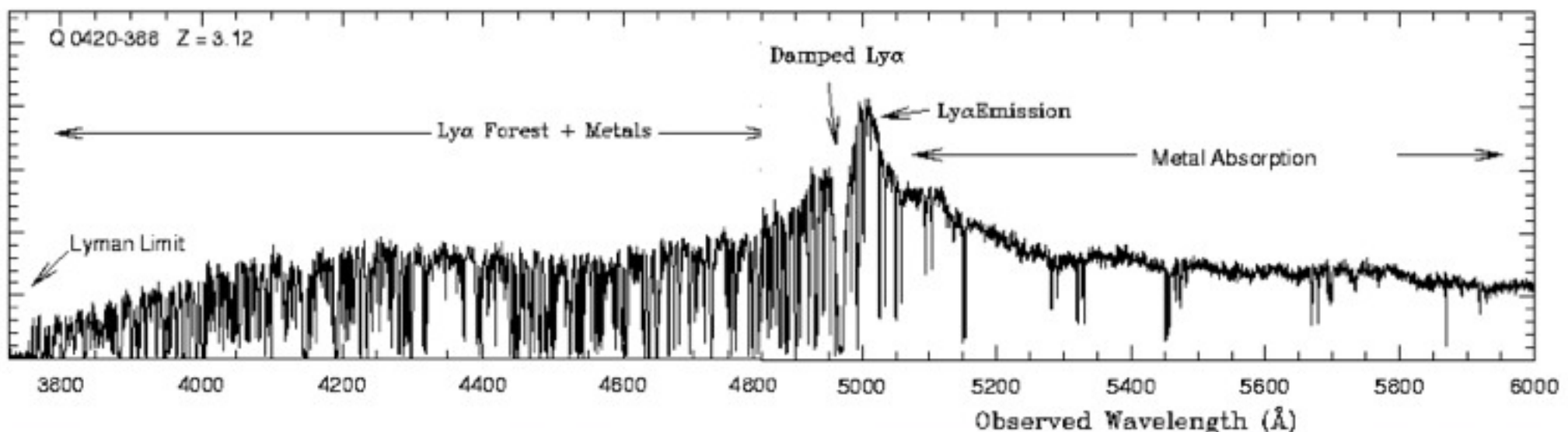


Complete chemodynamical census of the Virgo cluster (PI-type program)



Key science: Cosmology and Dark Energy

- Large number of spectroscopic studies underway or proposed to constrain **dark energy and the equation of state** of the Universe (eg SDSS BOSS, BigBOSS...)
 - Typically smaller telescopes, poorer sites, survey lifetimes of a few years
 - cf. ngCFHT
- Also provide large scale test of General Relativity from **structure growth and geometrical measurements**
- **Dark matter profiles** from kinematic tracers of clusters
- Sight-lines probe the IGM density as a function of z . Can use this to study **BAO at $2 < z < 3$** - evolution of $w(z)$?



ngCFHT: a versatile facility for astrophysical research

The logo for ngCFHT, consisting of the text "ngCFHT" in white, centered within a blue oval.

ngCFHT

ngCFHT: a versatile facility for astrophysical research



ngCFHT: a versatile facility for astrophysical research

- Essential to the scientific impact and versatility of ngCFHT is its operation as a **dedicated spectroscopic facility**

- Consider a baseline survey of 5 - 10yrs covering ~ 10000 square degrees of sky with a magnitude limit of $g \sim 23.1$ ($R=5000$, dark time) / $g \sim 19.7$ ($R=20000$, bright time)

- The only analogous facility in astronomy is the SDSS (similar area, limiting magnitude $r \sim 17.7$), with >100000 citations for >3000 papers (to date) in virtually every field of astrophysics

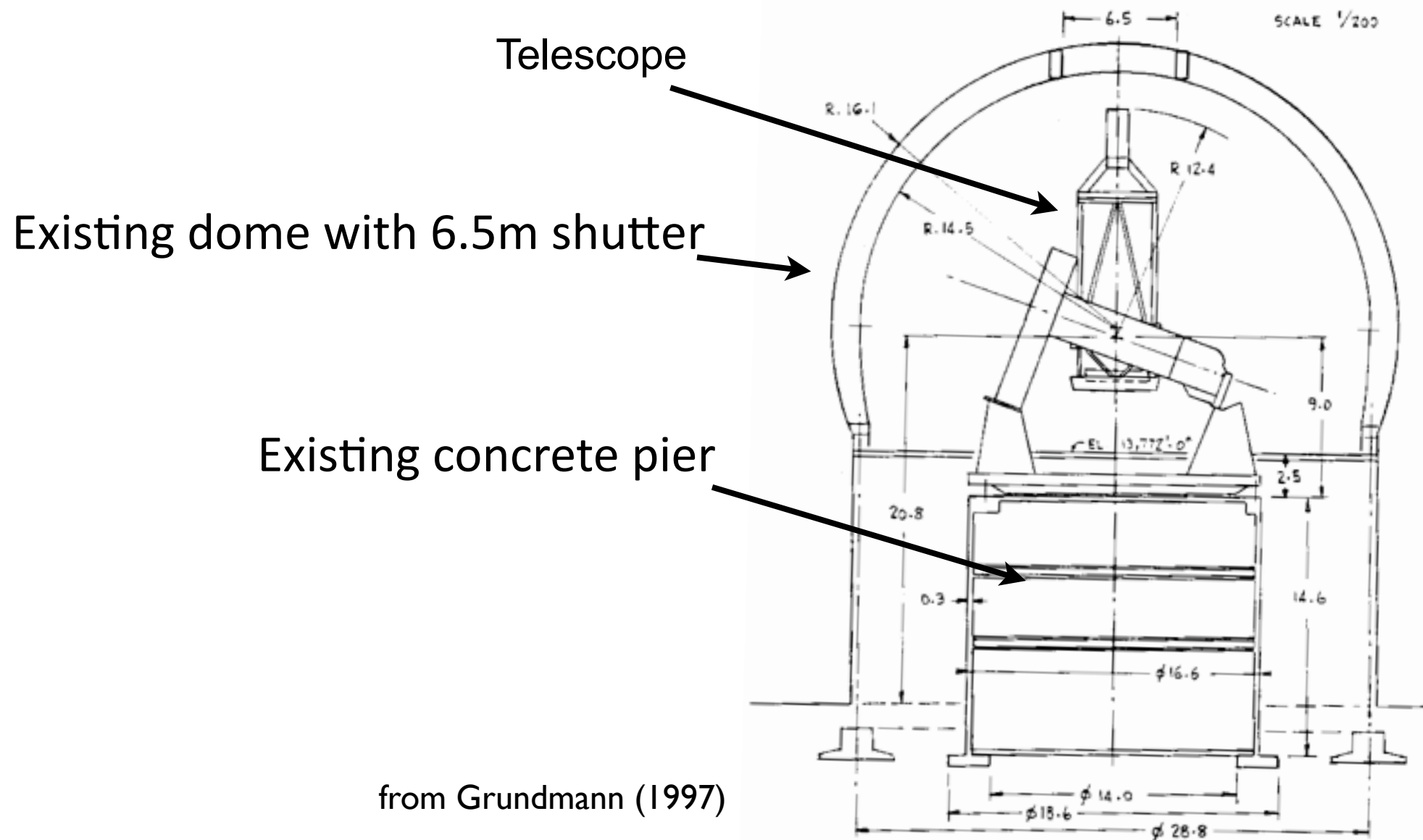


Mauna Kea and CFHT redevelopment

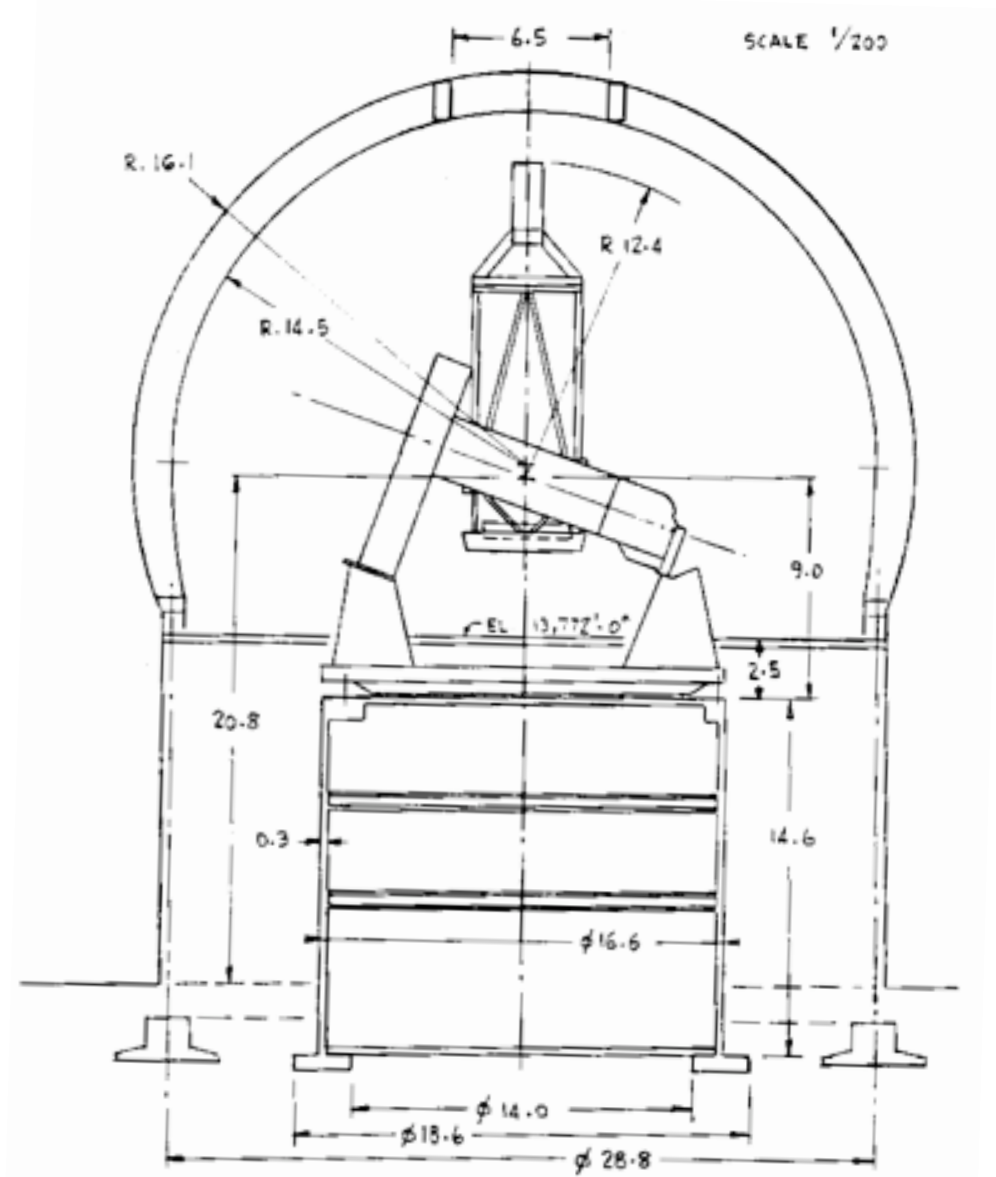
- At present, CFHT remains one of the most productive and high-impact telescopes in the world.
 - Excellent staff and infrastructure.
 - Effective governance model.
 - Considerable expertise with queue observing, implementation of large surveys, and automated data reduction thanks to shift toward wide-field imaging surveys in the 2000s.
- Site is available for redevelopment according to the Mauna Kea Master Plan.



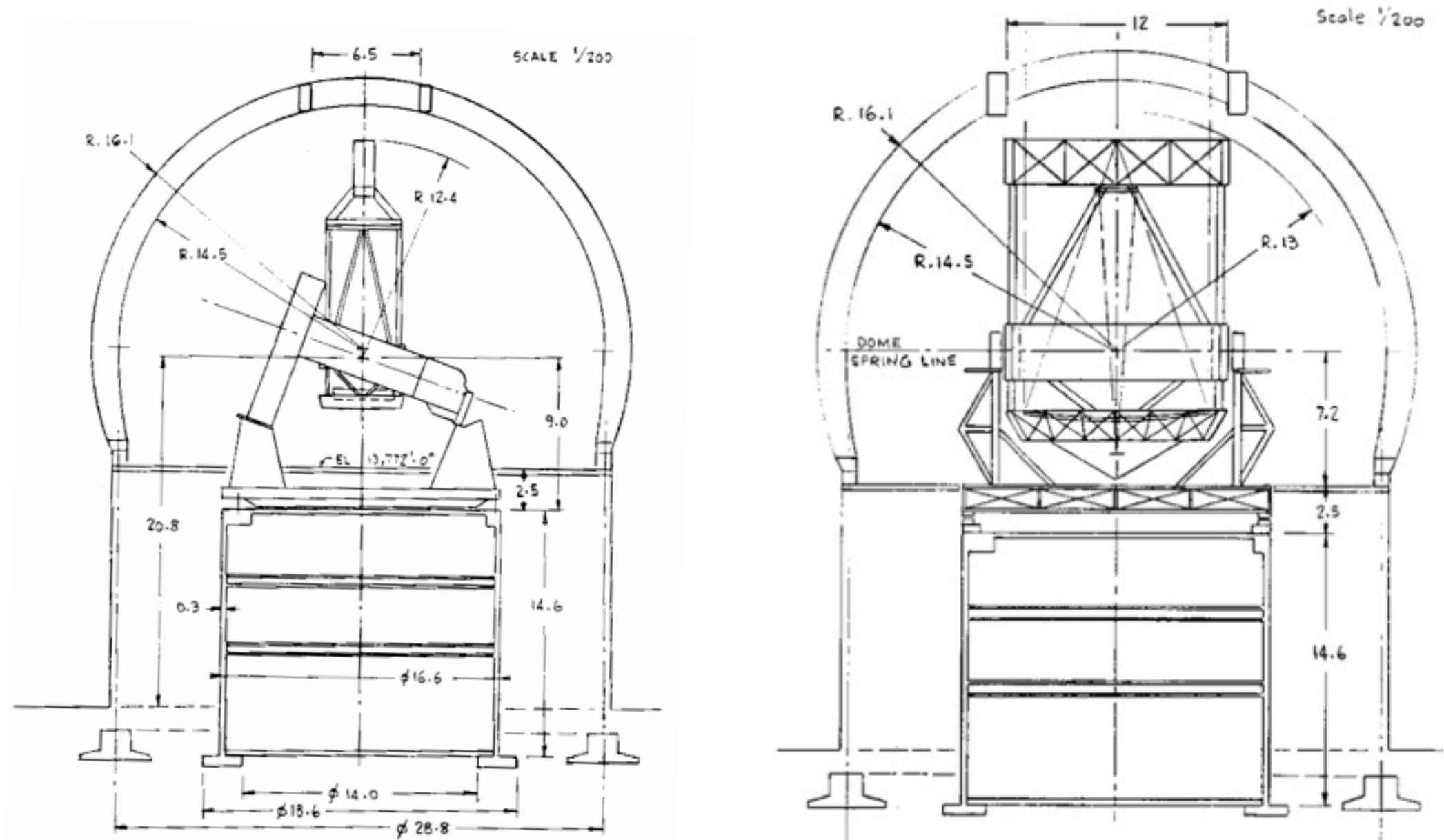
Mauna Kea and CFHT redevelopment



Mauna Kea and CFHT redevelopment



Mauna Kea and CFHT redevelopment



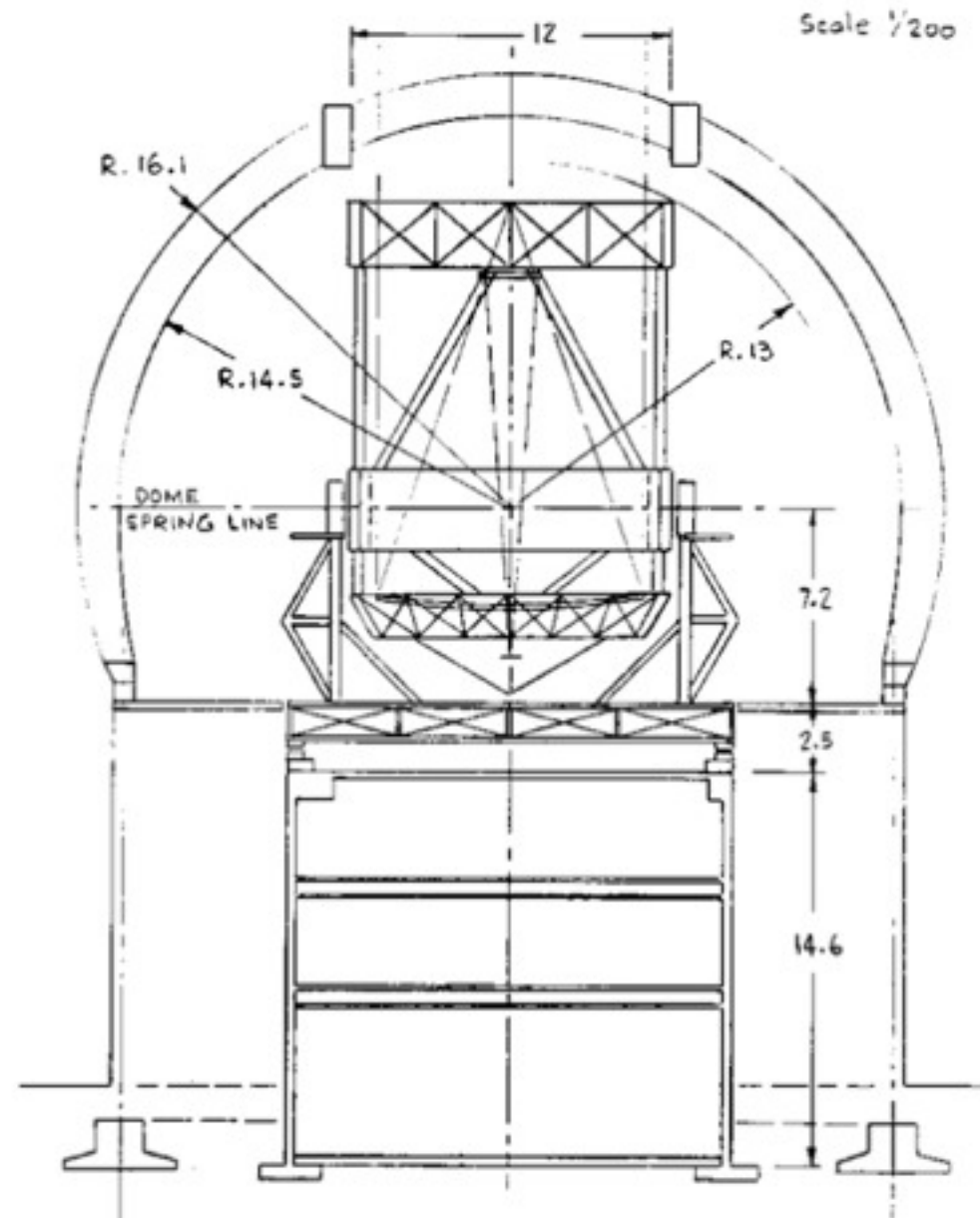
Mauna Kea and CFHT redevelopment

Mauna Kea Master Plan

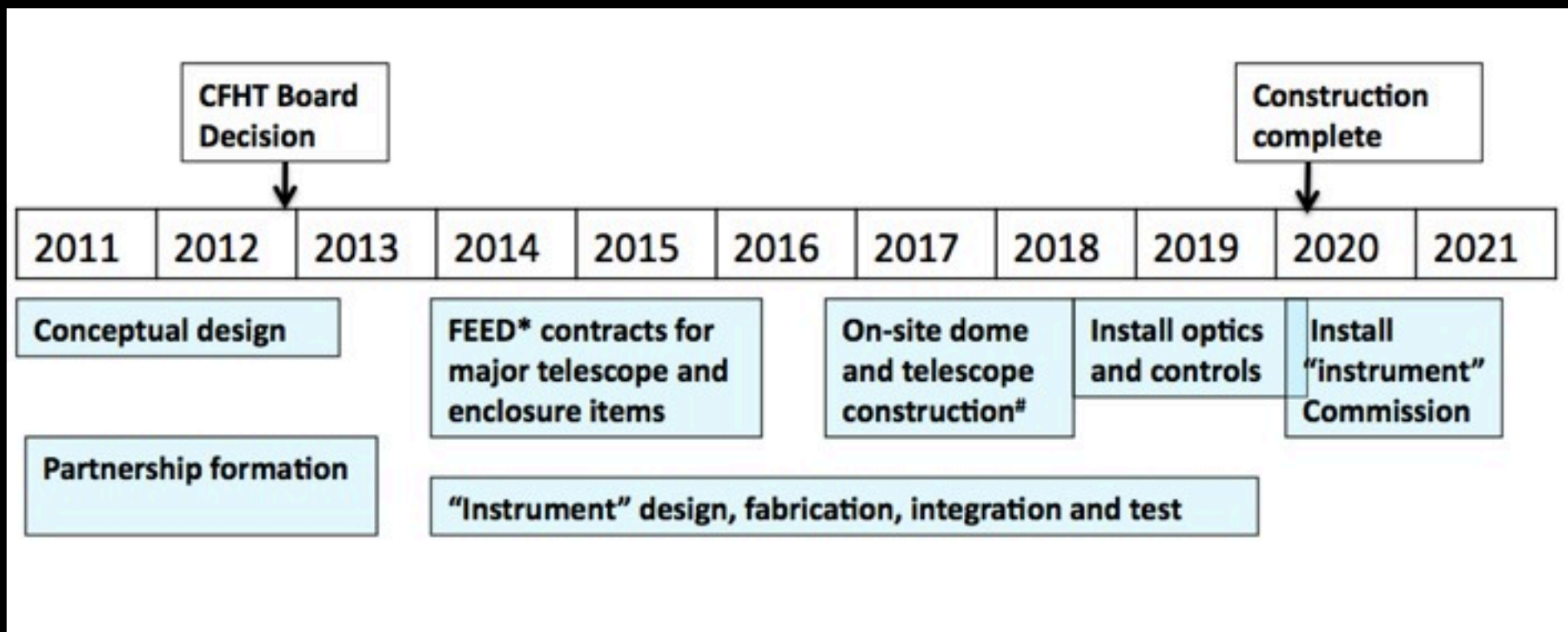
- Allowed to redevelop the CFHT site
- Keep within the same 3-D footprint
- must not harm the ground beyond what has already been done
- the next generation of the CFHT will stay within the same envelope
- the less work done at the summit, the better (e.g., keep the building and pier if possible)

Redevelopment of CFHT is not a new idea

- e.g. SAC Working Group on the Future of CFHT (1996)
- Resulted in “CFH 12 - 16m Telescope Study”, Grundmann (1997) [right]
- CFHT 3.6m weighs 266 tonnes
- Keck is 270 tonnes



Realistic schedule

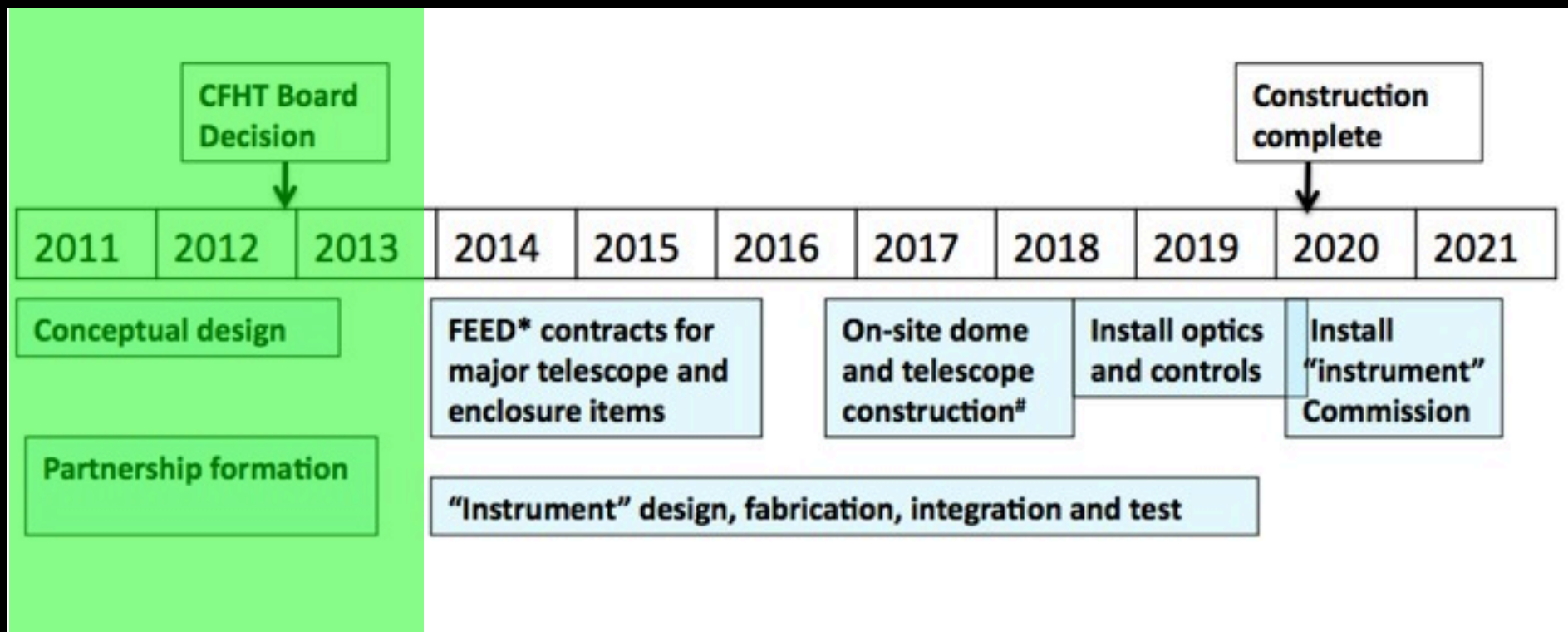


*FEED = "Front-End Engineering Design". Two competing industrial contracts for design and production of each major subsystem, resulting in fixed price offers (compete design rather than requirements)

[#] On-site construction includes 6 months to remove existing dome and telescope and prepare pier

• "instrument" includes corrector, positioner, fibres, spectrographs, SW, etc.

Realistic schedule



*FEED = "Front-End Engineering Design". Two competing industrial contracts for design and production of each major subsystem, resulting in fixed price offers (compete design rather than requirements)

[#] On-site construction includes 6 months to remove existing dome and telescope and prepare pier

• "instrument" includes corrector, positioner, fibres, spectrographs, SW, etc.











Science Working Groups

- Do the baseline specifications enable transformational science? How do the specifications need to be modified in to maximise the scientific impact in the field?
- Lead scientist of Concept Development Team : **Patrick Cote (HIA)**

Science Working Group

- I. Exoplanets
- II. The Inter-stellar Medium
- III. Stars and stellar astrophysics
- IV. The formation of the Milky Way
- V. The Local Group
- VI. Nearby Galaxies and Clusters
- VII. Galaxy Evolution
- VIII. The Inter-Galactic Medium
- IX. AGN and QSOs
- X. Cosmology and Dark Energy

Lead Scientist

- | | |
|---|---------------------|
|  | Magali Deleuil |
|  | Rosine Lallement |
|  | Kim Venn |
|  | Piercarlo Bonifacio |
|  | Alan McConnachie |
|  | Michael Hudson |
|  | Michael Balogh |
|  | Celine Peroux |
|  | Patrick Hall |
|  | Pierre Astier |

- All partners and potential partners to participate in SWGS to define the science requirements. Opportunities for collaborations, student placements, etc

Recent timeline I

Recent timeline I

- The Next Generation CFHT project began in mid-2010 as a grassroots movement that has rapidly gained momentum.

Recent timeline I

- The Next Generation CFHT project began in mid-2010 as a grassroots movement that has rapidly gained momentum.
- “White Paper” presented to the CFHT Board, Science Advisory Committee, and Long Range Plan for Canadian Astronomy committee (October 2010).

Recent timeline I

- The Next Generation CFHT project began in mid-2010 as a grassroots movement that has rapidly gained momentum.
- “White Paper” presented to the CFHT Board, Science Advisory Committee, and Long Range Plan for Canadian Astronomy committee (October 2010).
- Science and technical case introduced to CFHT users in Taiwan (November 2010).

Recent timeline I

- The Next Generation CFHT project began in mid-2010 as a grassroots movement that has rapidly gained momentum.
- “White Paper” presented to the CFHT Board, Science Advisory Committee, and Long Range Plan for Canadian Astronomy committee (October 2010).
- Science and technical case introduced to CFHT users in Taiwan (November 2010).
- First “face-to-face” meeting of scientists and engineers from CFHT user communities, including Canada, France, Taiwan, and others (November 2010).

Recent timeline I

- The Next Generation CFHT project began in mid-2010 as a grassroots movement that has rapidly gained momentum.
- “White Paper” presented to the CFHT Board, Science Advisory Committee, and Long Range Plan for Canadian Astronomy committee (October 2010).
- Science and technical case introduced to CFHT users in Taiwan (November 2010).
- First “face-to-face” meeting of scientists and engineers from CFHT user communities, including Canada, France, Taiwan, and others (November 2010).
- Next Generation CFHT Kickoff Meeting in Victoria. Leading members of the user communities in attendance, including Canada, France, Hawaii, Taiwan (January 2011).

Recent timeline I

- The Next Generation CFHT project began in mid-2010 as a grassroots movement that has rapidly gained momentum.
- “White Paper” presented to the CFHT Board, Science Advisory Committee, and Long Range Plan for Canadian Astronomy committee (October 2010).
- Science and technical case introduced to CFHT users in Taiwan (November 2010).
- First “face-to-face” meeting of scientists and engineers from CFHT user communities, including Canada, France, Taiwan, and others (November 2010).
- Next Generation CFHT Kickoff Meeting in Victoria. Leading members of the user communities in attendance, including Canada, France, Hawaii, Taiwan (January 2011).
- ngCFHT concept included in Canadian LRP2010 (February 2011). Science case described as “unassailable”

Recent timeline II

Recent timeline II

- Science Working Groups (SWGs) formed to investigate key science fields for ngCFHT (Spring/Summer 2011)

Recent timeline II

- Science Working Groups (SWGs) formed to investigate key science fields for ngCFHT (Spring/Summer 2011)
 - 50 scientists from 10 countries including Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, (Hawaii), India, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, USA

Recent timeline II

- Science Working Groups (SWGs) formed to investigate key science fields for ngCFHT (Spring/Summer 2011)
 - 50 scientists from 10 countries including Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, (Hawaii), India, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, USA
- SWGs submitted preliminary reports; interim progress report submitted to the CFHT SAC (October/November 2011)

Recent timeline II

- Science Working Groups (SWGs) formed to investigate key science fields for ngCFHT (Spring/Summer 2011)
 - 50 scientists from 10 countries including Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, (Hawaii), India, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, USA
- SWGs submitted preliminary reports; interim progress report submitted to the CFHT SAC (October/November 2011)
- Preliminary plans for a ngCFHT science meeting to discuss requirements and progress (March/April 2012)

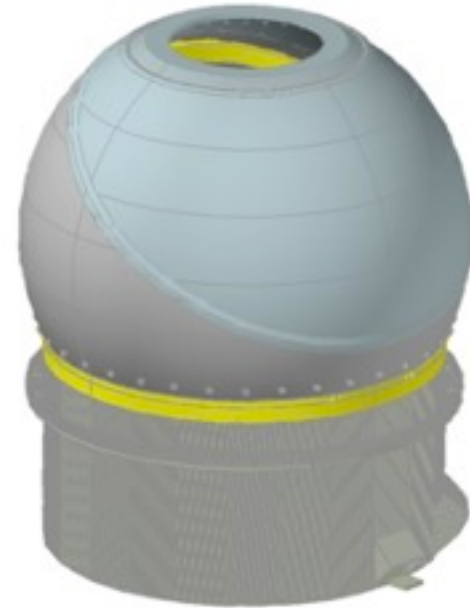
Recent timeline II

- Science Working Groups (SWGs) formed to investigate key science fields for ngCFHT (Spring/Summer 2011)
 - 50 scientists from 10 countries including Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, (Hawaii), India, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, USA
- SWGs submitted preliminary reports; interim progress report submitted to the CFHT SAC (October/November 2011)
- Preliminary plans for a ngCFHT science meeting to discuss requirements and progress (March/April 2012)
- Detailed concept study, with reliable estimates of cost, risk and schedule to be submitted to the CFHT Board (November 2012).

Recent timeline II

- Science Working Groups (SWGs) formed (Spring/Summer 2011)
 - 50 scientists from 10 countries in (Hawaii), India, Japan, South Korea
- SWGs submitted preliminary reports; (October/November 2011)
- Preliminary plans for a ngCFHT science (March/April 2012)
- Detailed concept study, with reliable estimates to the CFHT Board (November 2012).


Interim Report on the Next Generation CFHT Concept Study



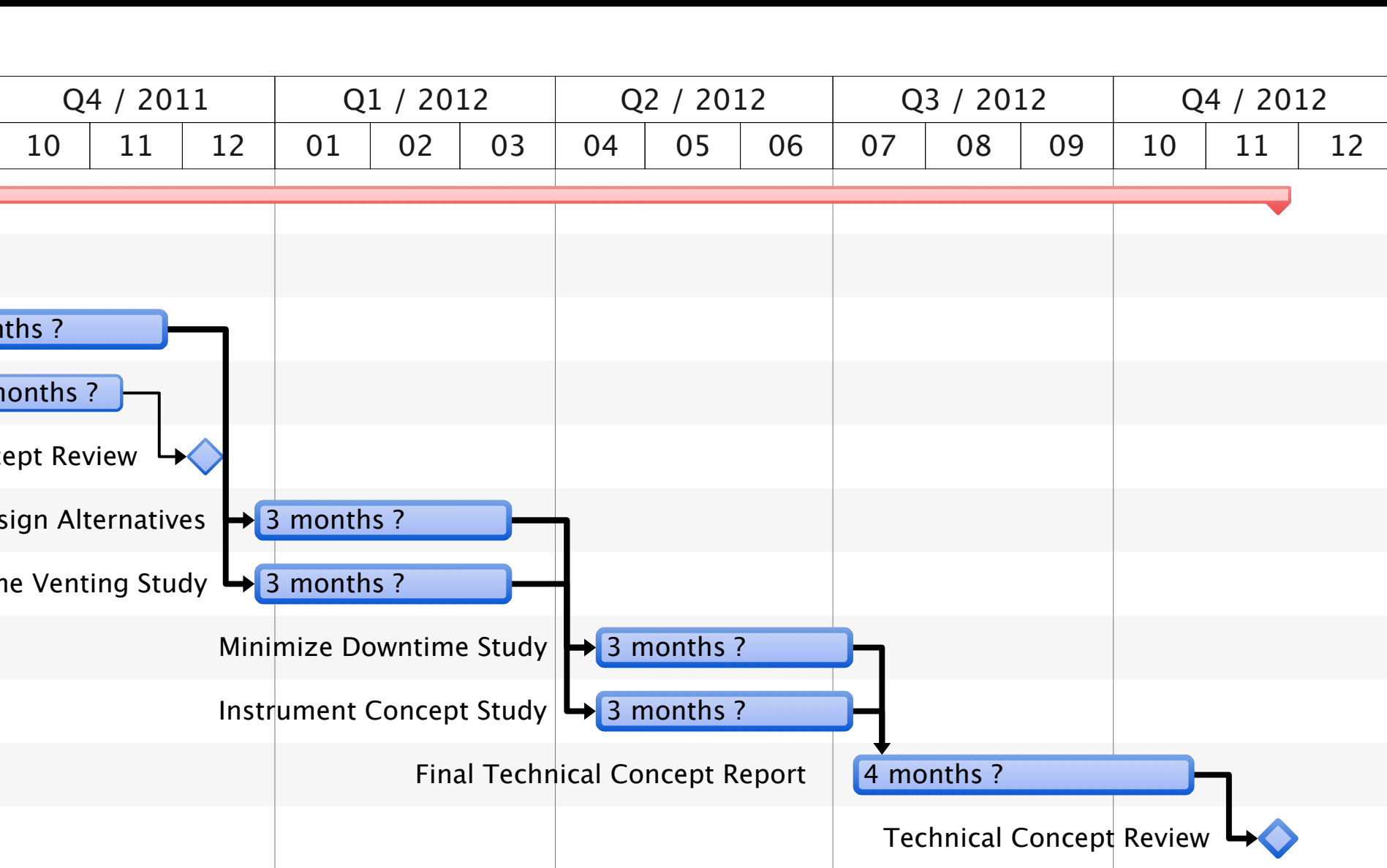
Presented to the CFHT Science Advisory Committee by the Next Generation CFHT Concept Study team

November 5, 2011

Technical development

#	Title	Q4 /	Q1 / 2011			Q2 / 2011	
		12	01	02	03	04	05
0	 ngCFHT Technical Concept		ngCFHT Technical Concept				
1	Telescope Pier Study – UBC		Telescope Pier Study – UBC				
2	Enclosure & Fixed Base Study						
3	Draft Technical Concept Report						
4	Interim Technical Concept Review						
5	Telescope Optical Design Alternatives						
6	Dome Venting Study						
7	Minimize Downtime Study						
8	Instrument Concept Study						
9	Final Technical Concept Report						
10	Technical Concept Review						

Technical development



Current cost estimates (revisit as part of Concept study)

Item	Cost estimate (\$M)	Comment
Design and Management	10*	Several partners involved
Remove 3.6m and dome	3	Grundmann \$1.6M
M1 optics	10	ELT heritage
M1 support system	5	ELT heritage
Telescope structure	20	DSL, Keck, ELT heritage
Wide Field Corrector	5	Pazder
Enclosure	20	DSL, ELT heritage
Controls	10	CFHT, ELT heritage
30% contingency	25	
Sub-total	108	
Instrument	65	WFMOS: includes 20% contingency
Total	173	

*Assumes involvement of current CFHT staff in addition to above “project” cost

Current cost estimates (revisit as part of Concept study)

Is \$108M credible for telescope and dome?

- Leverage all the ELT activity on segmented telescopes, controls, enclosures
- Leverage CFHT site, building, HQ, infra-structure, experience
- For comparison:
 - Grundmann (1997) estimate **\$58M** (=2010 \$75M Bank of Canada inflation)
 - (1992) **\$63.5M: Keck I** dome and telescope cost
 - (2005) **\$20M SALT** cost (~10m aperture, 91 segments, includes 25m dome - but spherical primary and restricted motion)

Sub-total	108	
Instrument	65	WF MOS: includes 20% contingency
Total	173	

*Assumes involvement of current CFHT staff in addition to above “project” cost

ngCFHT in context

1. Kilo-Aperture Optical Spectrograph - KAOS (2002 - 2003) - Defunct

- prime focus wide-field (1.8 deg^2) MOS for Gemini
- 4000-5000 fibers; $1000 \leq R \leq 40000$

2. Wide-Field Multi-Object Spectrograph - WFMOS (2003 - 2009) - Defunct

- prime focus wide-field (1.8 deg^2) MOS for Subaru
- 3200 fibers; $1500 \leq R \leq 20000$

ngCFHT in context

1. Kilo-Aperture Optical Spectrograph - KAOS (2002 - 2003) - Defunct

- prime focus wide-field (1.8 deg²) MOS for Gemini
- 4000-5000 fibers; $1000 \leq R \leq 40000$

2. Wide-Field Multi-Object Spectrograph - WFMOS (2003 - 2009) - Defunct

- prime focus wide-field (1.8 deg²) MOS for Subaru
- 3200 fibers; $1500 \leq R \leq 20000$

	Telescope	Eff. Aperture	Resolution	N	Comments
BOSS	SDSS	2.5m	1600-2600	1000	10000 sq.deg
LAMOST	Guoshoujing Telescope	4m	1000-10000	4000	
HERMES	AAT	3.9	28000	400	10 ⁶ stars, V=15 [GAIA follow-up]

ngCFHT in context

1. Kilo-Aperture Optical Spectrograph - KAOS (2002 - 2003) - Defunct

- prime focus wide-field (1.8 deg²) MOS for Gemini
- 4000-5000 fibers; $1000 \leq R \leq 40000$

2. Wide-Field Multi-Object Spectrograph - WFMOS (2003 - 2009) - Defunct

- prime focus wide-field (1.8 deg²) MOS for Subaru
- 3200 fibers; $1500 \leq R \leq 20000$

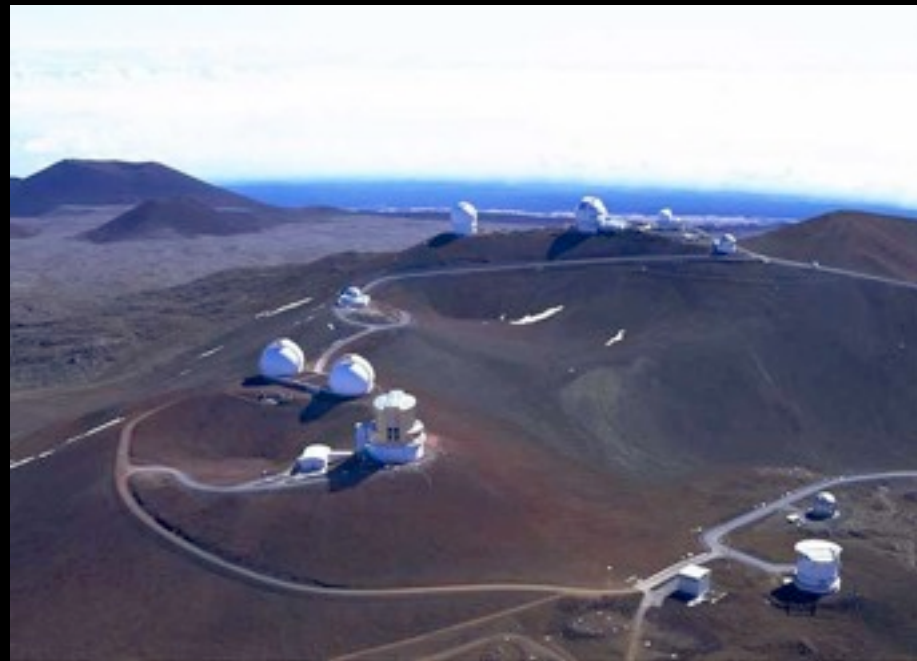
	Telescope	Eff. Aperture	Resolution	N	Comments
BOSS	SDSS	2.5m	1600-2600	1000	10000 sq.deg
LAMOST	Guoshoujing Telescope	4m	1000-10000	4000	
HERMES	AAT	3.9	28000	400	10 ⁶ stars, V=15 [GAIA follow-up]

Proposed:

BigBOSS	KPNO4m	4m	3000-4800	5000	14000 sq.deg (LRG+OII)
PFS	Subaru	8.2	~3000?	2400	2000sq.deg?
ngCFHT	ngCFHT	10m	1500-20000	3200 (800)	

Synergies with PFS?

- Japan and the Subaru community is clearly interested in much of the same science as ngCFHT would allow
- How best can we work together to ensure the maximum scientific impact and best results? Much scientific and technical overlap will exist



The current partnerships on Mauna Kea



CFHT

Gemini



Summary

- Exceptionally strong science case to redevelop the CFHT site to provide a **dedicated 10m class, wide field, spectroscopic facility** with **extreme multiplexing** working at a range of resolutions from $R=1500$ to ~ 20000

Contacts:

alan.mcconnachie@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

NGCFHT Lead scientist: Patrick Cote patrick.cote@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

Summary

- Exceptionally strong science case to redevelop the CFHT site to provide a **dedicated 10m class, wide field, spectroscopic facility** with **extreme multiplexing** working at a range of resolutions from $R=1500$ to ~ 20000
- ngCFHT will provide the **missing capability in the worldwide suite of observatories and instrumentation for the next decade of OIR astrophysics**

Contacts:

alan.mcconnachie@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

NGCFHT Lead scientist: Patrick Cote patrick.cote@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

Summary

- Exceptionally strong science case to redevelop the CFHT site to provide a **dedicated 10m class, wide field, spectroscopic facility** with **extreme multiplexing** working at a range of resolutions from $R=1500$ to ~ 20000
- ngCFHT will provide the **missing capability in the worldwide suite of observatories and instrumentation for the next decade of OIR astrophysics**
- Concept design study underway (scientific and technical) to revisit science drivers and flowdown, assess technical feasibility, estimate costs and **create a new partnership**

Contacts:

alan.mcconnachie@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

NGCFHT Lead scientist: Patrick Cote patrick.cote@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

Summary

- Exceptionally strong science case to redevelop the CFHT site to provide a **dedicated 10m class, wide field, spectroscopic facility** with **extreme multiplexing** working at a range of resolutions from $R=1500$ to ~ 20000
- ngCFHT will provide the **missing capability in the worldwide suite of observatories and instrumentation for the next decade of OIR astrophysics**
- Concept design study underway (scientific and technical) to revisit science drivers and flowdown, assess technical feasibility, estimate costs and **create a new partnership**
- Final report to be submitted to the CFHT SAC and Board for consideration at the **November 2012** meeting (an interim report will be submitted for the November 2011 meeting)

Contacts:

alan.mcconnachie@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

NGCFHT Lead scientist: Patrick Cote patrick.cote@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

Summary

- Exceptionally strong science case to redevelop the CFHT site to provide a **dedicated 10m class, wide field, spectroscopic facility** with **extreme multiplexing** working at a range of resolutions from $R=1500$ to ~ 20000
- ngCFHT will provide the **missing capability in the worldwide suite of observatories and instrumentation for the next decade of OIR astrophysics**
- Concept design study underway (scientific and technical) to revisit science drivers and flowdown, assess technical feasibility, estimate costs and **create a new partnership**
- Final report to be submitted to the CFHT SAC and Board for consideration at the **November 2012** meeting (an interim report will be submitted for the November 2011 meeting)
- Participation of prospective new partners in the development of the project is strongly desired so that they can have a **defining role** in determining its capabilities

Contacts:

alan.mcconnachie@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

NGCFHT Lead scientist: Patrick Cote patrick.cote@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

Fin

Contacts:

alan.mcconnachie@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

NGCFHT Lead scientist: Patrick Cote patrick.cote@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

http://orca.phys.uvic.ca/~pcote/ngcfht/Site/The_Next_Generation_CFHT.html