

#### High Redshift Galaxies with EAGLE

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## **Re-ionization**



- When did it start?
- When did it end?
- What sources caused it, ...
- Gunn-Peterson trough in QSOs
- GRBs
- UVLF & Ly $\alpha$  LF of Ly  $\alpha$  Emitters (LAEs)
  - CMB
  - HI 21-cm









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Fan X, et al. 2006. Annu. Rev. Astron. Astrophys. 44:415–62



 Only traceable until neutral fraction (HI / H) < 10<sup>-3</sup>

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## **Re-ionization with GRBs**



DLA model with z=6.295, log N<sub>HI</sub> = 21.62 From Totani



luminosity functions

#### Lyman $\alpha$ luminosity function of LAEs



Number density of LAEs unchanged over 3<z<6 Fraction of 'young' galaxies increases with redshift?  $\cdots$  but the number density decreases beyond z=5.7



intrinsic evolution of LAEs? Increase in the neutral fraction of the IGM is more likely, as the change in the far-UV LF is much milder.



# Galaxy formation and large scale structures















- From a photometric sample of 7 objects from WIRCAM data
- Possible evolution from z = 6.5, but depends on reality of candidates (spectroscopic confirmation requested)
   (Hibon et al. accepted for publication in A&A)

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## Going beyond z = 7: Requirements



- Near IR
- Spatial resolution: ~ 50-100 mas
- Individual FOV ~ 1"
- Multiplex: a few tens... • decreasing with z
- R ~ 4,000 (observation between OH lines)





#### z = 6.5 LAE, Ouchi et al., 2009











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• At least one mag better than JWST, possibly significantly more





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## Finding the targets



- E-ELT itself (Micado)
- JWST will be the most obvious provider of targets. It's been built for this science case. Imaging down to AB ~ 30+
- VISTA (Ultravista starting next year)
  z = 8.8 NB search

l'Observatoire LESIA

- HST / WFC3
- VLT: HAWK-I

# Best strategy for finding sources depends on Luminosity Functions - Unknown as yet

- One pointing ? Several pointings ? Field ?
- Cluster?

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### Finding the targets: strategy



100 hrs, one field



### Finding the targets: strategy



10 x 10 hrs, ten fields



Finding the targets: conclusions



- It will be possible to have candidates relatively easily (VLT, VISTA, HST, JWST, E-ELT).
- JWST will find the targets (imaging) and will do the initial (bright) spectroscopy ...
- ... and ELTs will do the rest: faint stuff, highest redshifts (9, 10, more ?)
- The choice between multiple fields vs single field and field vs. clusters will be made based on LFs that will be available at that time
  - Clusters better for short integration times (in terms of number of objects), unless LF truncated at the bright end
  - Clusters remain the only way to probe the faint end

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Finding the targets: conclusions



- Numbers highly dependent on LFs
- It will be possible to get samples of 100's or 1000's of targets
- This will be done with JWST
  - Would require several 100's of hrs on VLT (broad band imaging included) - Still feasible
- E-ELT spectroscopic follow-up will require 100's of hrs
  - Continuum (absorption lines, chemical composition, ...)
  - Emission lines (Lya, HeII popIII, ...)



#### Other option: blind searches (line emitters)





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#### Simulations with EAGLE simulator (M. Swinbank, J. Richard et al.)



- Inputs: NICMOS HDF images of high-z galaxies (z=2--4) but redshifted to z=8-9
  - segmented to find multi-components
  - each component assigned (different) spectral configuration
  - each component assigned different velocity field
- Simulation. Parameters:
  - 12x1200seconds (4hrs)
  - PSF: EAG6GS-J
  - seeing: 0.65"
  - EE=36.2% in 75mas2
  - (manua kea+40m telescope at 280, 240, 150K and e=0.2,0.2,0.7)

#### • Outputs: simulated datacube:

- Generated continuum images
- Recovered velocity field
- Recovered spectral information

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#### input



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wavelength  $(\mu m)$ 

recovered output





- HST, VLT, VISTA, etc.

  - Many on-going programs
    Much more to come in next years, KMOS, VISTA, GTC, etc.
  - GRBs
- CMB (Planck, EBEX, ...)
- LOFAR 21-cm HI
- ALMA
- JWST
- E-ELT (Micado)
- DE space mission(s) (?)











## Conclusions



- Contemporary science, much progress expected in coming years
- Very strong synergy with other facilities
- Programs of several 100s of hrs with EAGLE

  - Sample of 100's of objects at z > 7
    Specs ~ optimal (sampling, sensitivity, etc.)
  - Strátegy will be optimised as knowledge on high-z galaxies improves



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