



The first HST Frontier Fields cluster : search for $z > 7.5$ galaxies

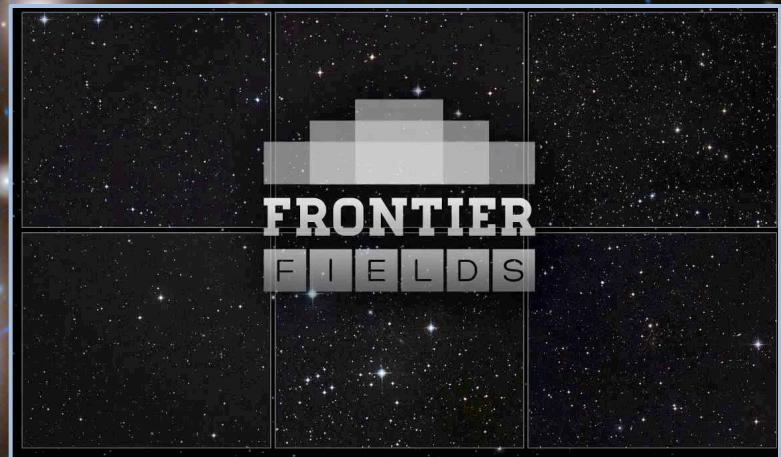
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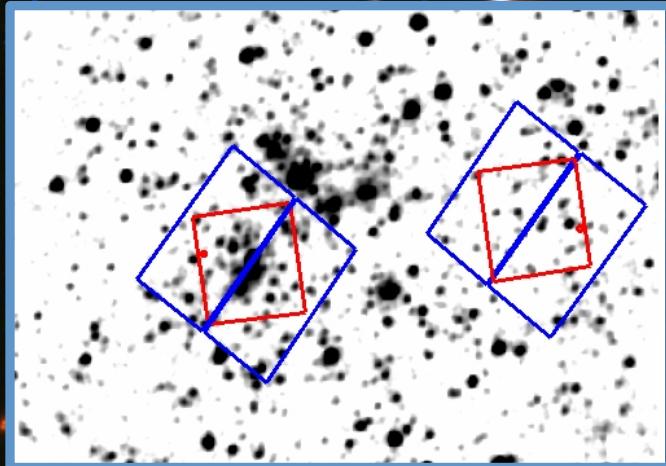


The Frontier Fields program

It is a program involving 3 space telescopes :

- *Hubble Space Telescope*
- *Spitzer Space Telescope*
- *Chandra X-ray observatory*

Six pointing will be made and each pointing combines cluster and blank fields.



The scheduled program

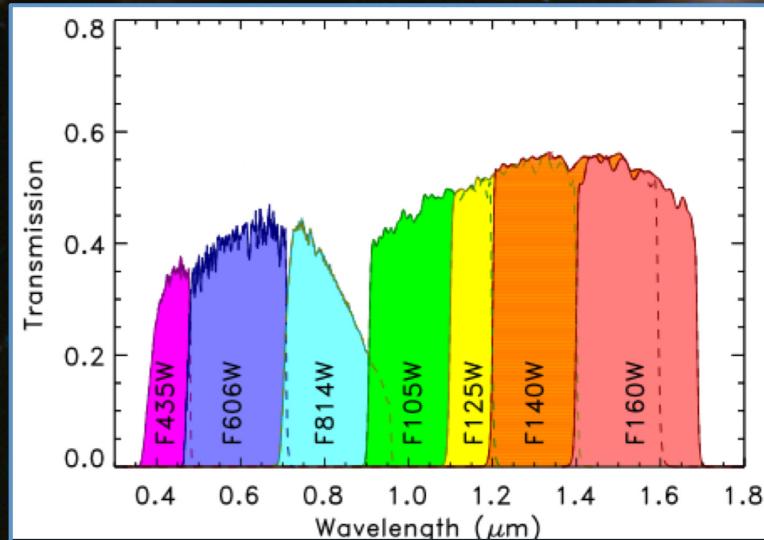
| Targets | z | HST Observations | Spitzer observations |
|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Abell 2744 | 0.308 | Oct. 2013 – Jul. 2014 | Sep. 2013 – Feb. 2013 |
| MACSJ0416.1-2403 | 0.396 | Jan. 2014 – Sept. 2014 | Dec. 2013 – Apr. 2014 |
| MACSJ0717.5+3745 | 0.545 | Oct. 2013 – May. 2015 | Jan. 2013 – Jun. 2014 |
| MACSJ1149.5+2223 | 0.543 | Nov. 2013 – Jul. 2015 | Jul. 2013 – Aug. 2014 |
| Abell S1063 | 0.348 | 2016 (to be confirmed) | If HST confirmed |
| Abell 370 | 0.375 | 2016 (to be confirmed) | If HST confirmed |

- HST observations are made using DDT time (PI : J. Lotz) and are reduced and released by the STScI every Friday after observations
- Spitzer observations will be finished during summer 2014 and the raw data are available \approx 1 week after.
- 3 clusters are in the Northern Hemisphere and 3 in the South.

The first data released : Abell 2744

The first HST Frontier Fields data has been released on December 17 and included :

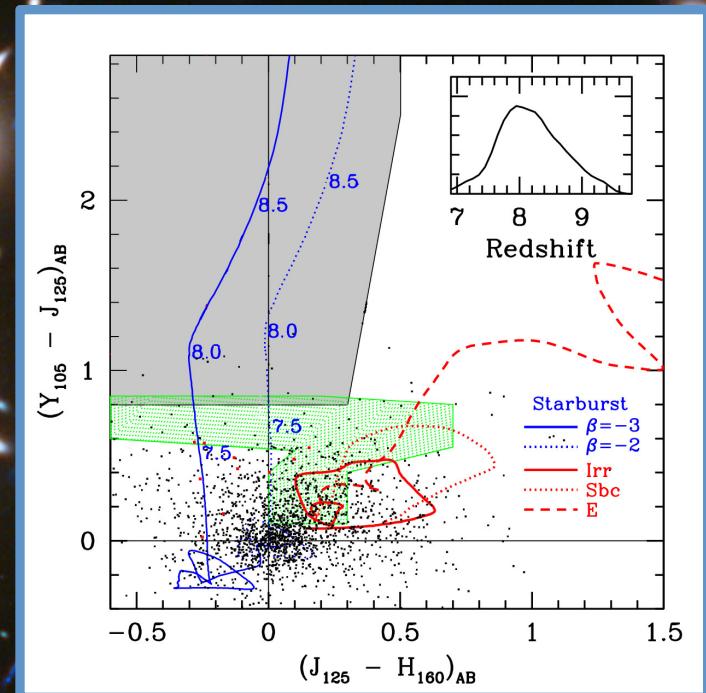
- 100% of WFC3 data (near infra-red)
- 50% of scheduled ACS observations (optical)



| Filter | λ_{central} [μm] | t_{exp} [ks] | $m(5\sigma)$ [AB] |
|------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------|
| B_{435} | 0.431 | 16.16 | 27.4 |
| V_{606} | 0.589 | 13.25 | 28.0 |
| Z_{814} | 0.811 | 13.25 | 27.1 |
| Y_{105} | 1.050 | 46.52 | 28.6 |
| J_{125} | 1.250 | 16.32 | 28.5 |
| JH_{140} | 1.400 | 22.43 | 28.7 |
| H_{160} | 1.600 | 46.57 | 28.2 |

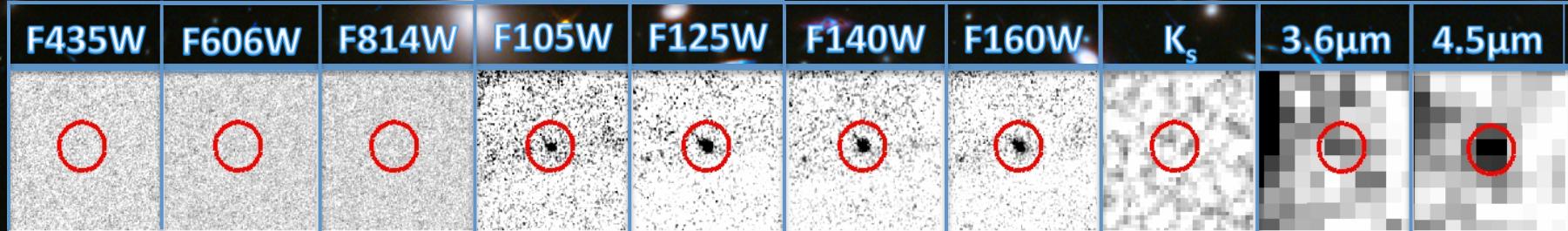
The selection function to select $z > 7.5$ objects

- We applied the Lyman Break technique combining non-detection/detection and colors criteria (Steidel et al. 1996)
- To minimize the selection of mid-z interlopers, we imposed a break of at least 2 magnitudes between optical and NIR data.
- The selection function we applied was :
 - $B_{435}, V_{606}, z_{814} > m(2\sigma)$
 - $J_{105} < m(10\sigma)$
 - Color-criteria



Bouwens et al. (2010)

The brightest $z \approx 8$ galaxy candidate



Laporte et al. (2014)

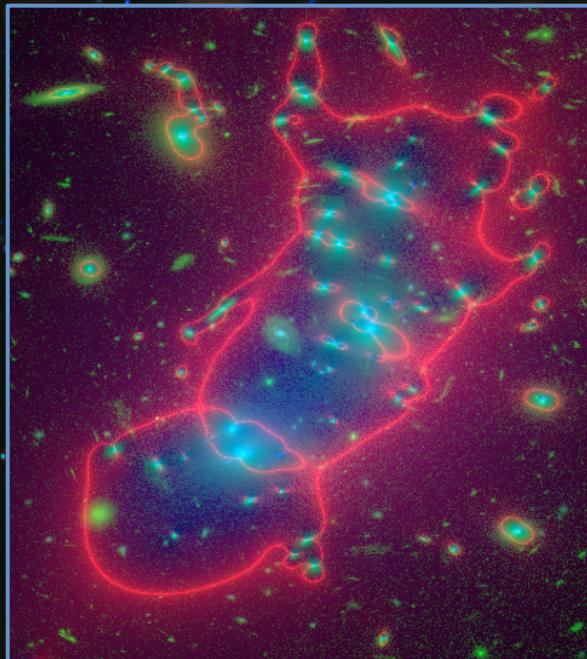
| Filter | m(AB) |
|----------------|--------------|
| F435W | >28.4 |
| F606W | >29.0 |
| F814W | >28.1 |
| F105W | 27.50 ± 0.08 |
| F125W | 26.32 ± 0.04 |
| F140W | 26.26 ± 0.03 |
| F160W | 26.25 ± 0.04 |
| K _s | >25.9 |
| 3.6μm | 26.08 ± 0.14 |
| 4.5μm | 25.16 ± 0.16 |

We combined the HST images with Spitzer data and noticed that we have another “break” in these data.

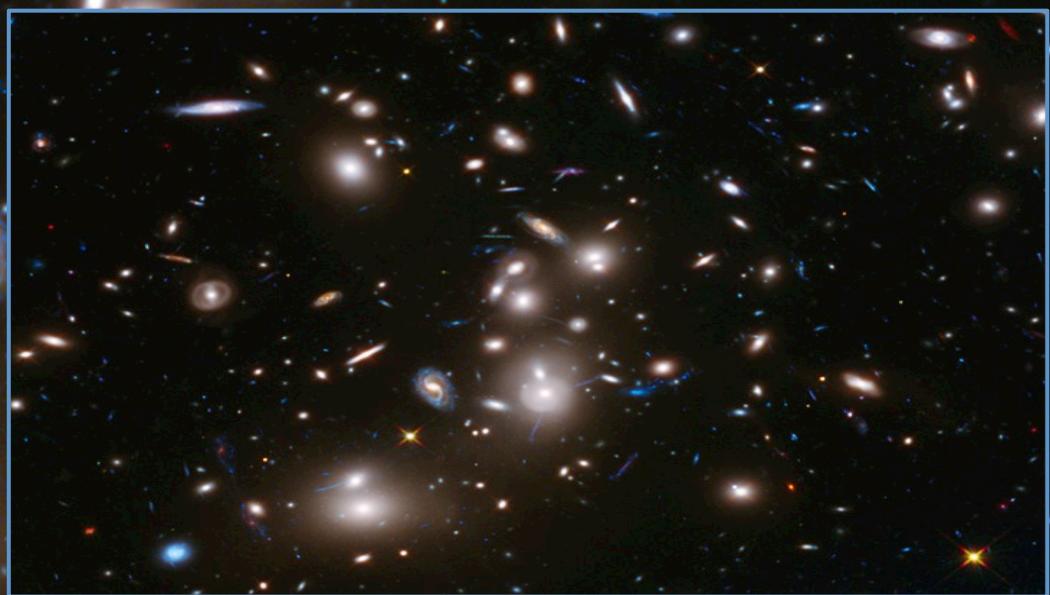
The photometry at 4.5μm could be contaminated by [OIII] and Hβ emission lines at $z \approx 8$.

Amplification Maps

- Several amplification maps have been provided for each Frontier Fields cluster.
- This object is located on the edges of the WFC3 images, therefore the magnification factor is relatively modest ($\mu=1.5$)



Richard et al. 2014



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Photometric properties

We used Hyperz (Bolzonella et al. 2000) and a standard templates library to compute several properties of this object.

Depending on the metallicity, we estimated the following parameters :

SFR : $8 - 60 \text{ M}_\odot/\text{yr}$

Av : $0.05 - 0.8 \text{ mag}$

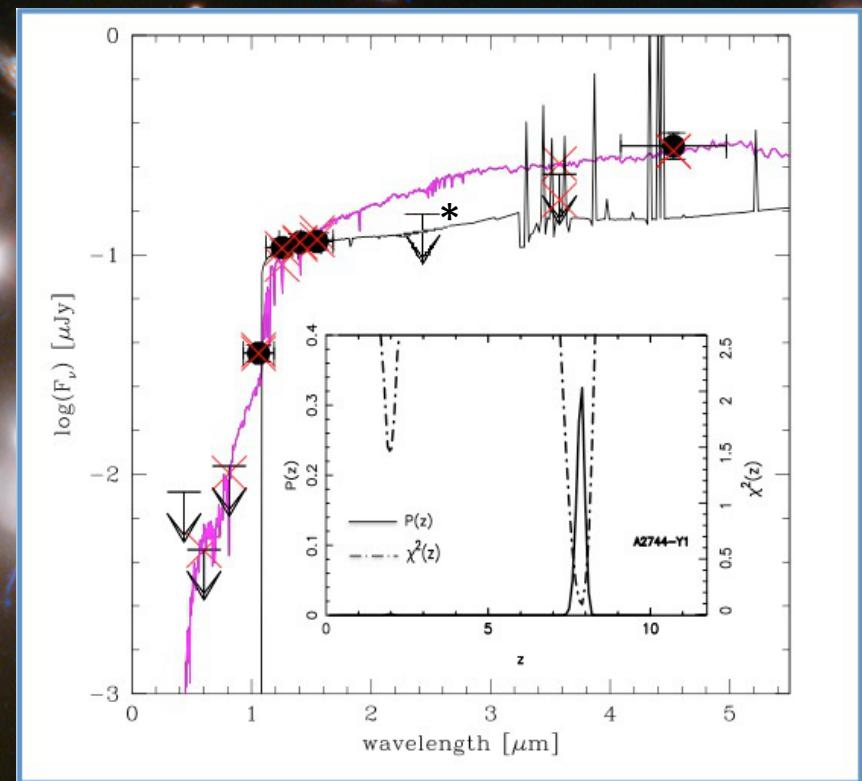
M_\star : $(2.5-10) \times 10^9 \text{ M}_\odot$

$\text{Log(LIR)} = 9.7 - 11.4$

$\text{EW}[\text{OIII}] \approx 600 \text{ \AA}$

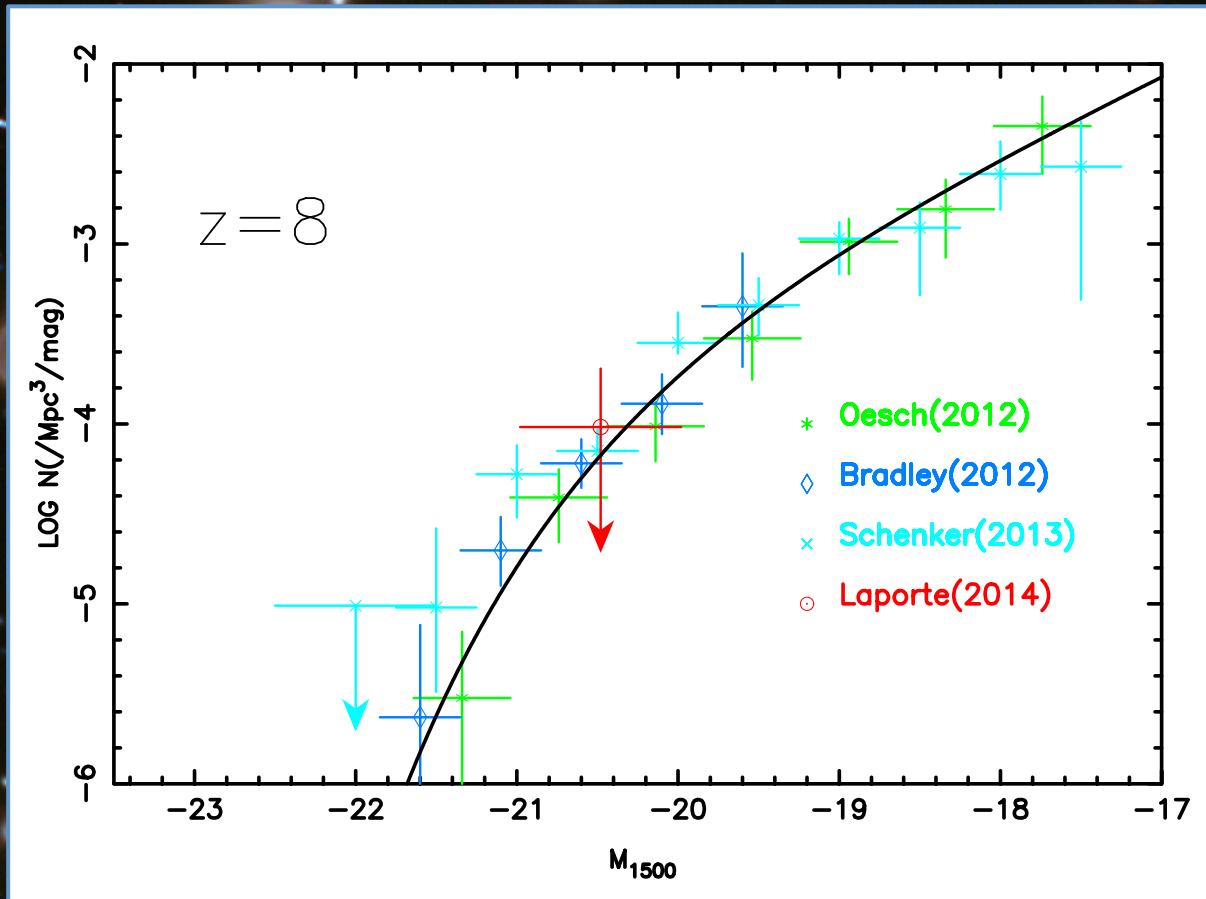
$\text{EW}[\text{H}\beta] \approx 190 \text{ \AA}$

$r \approx 0.35 \pm 0.15 \text{ kpc}$ (using Galfit)



* Non-detection on FourStar@Magellan K_s image
(Thanks to CLASH collaboration)

The UV Luminosity Function



Next steps : at short term

- On that particular object :

- ALMA observations approved
- Deep FourStar and HAWKI K_s images awaited
- Spectroscopic confirmation proposed to ESO, Gemini and Magellan

- On Abell 2744 :

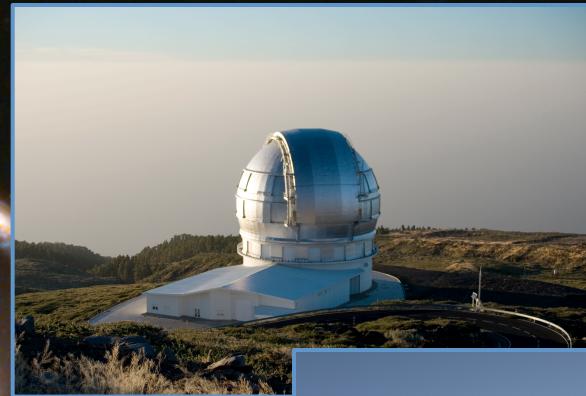
- Final HST data awaited during summer
- Chandra observations will be released at the end of 2014
- Spectroscopic observations of z<6.5 targets (e.g. MUSE@ESO)
- Spectroscopic observations of all z>6.5 targets (e.g. KMOS@ESO)



Next steps : at mid/long term

At mid-term :

- The arrival of EMIR@GTC (expected 2015) will allow us to observe by spectroscopy bright $z=7, 8$ and 9 (?) objects in the Northern Hemisphere



At long-term :

- MOONS @VLT, WISH (not before 2019)
- For the spectroscopic confirmation of the faintest objects : JWST, ELT and SPICA

