

Properties of Ly α & non-Ly α emitters in the epoch of reionization

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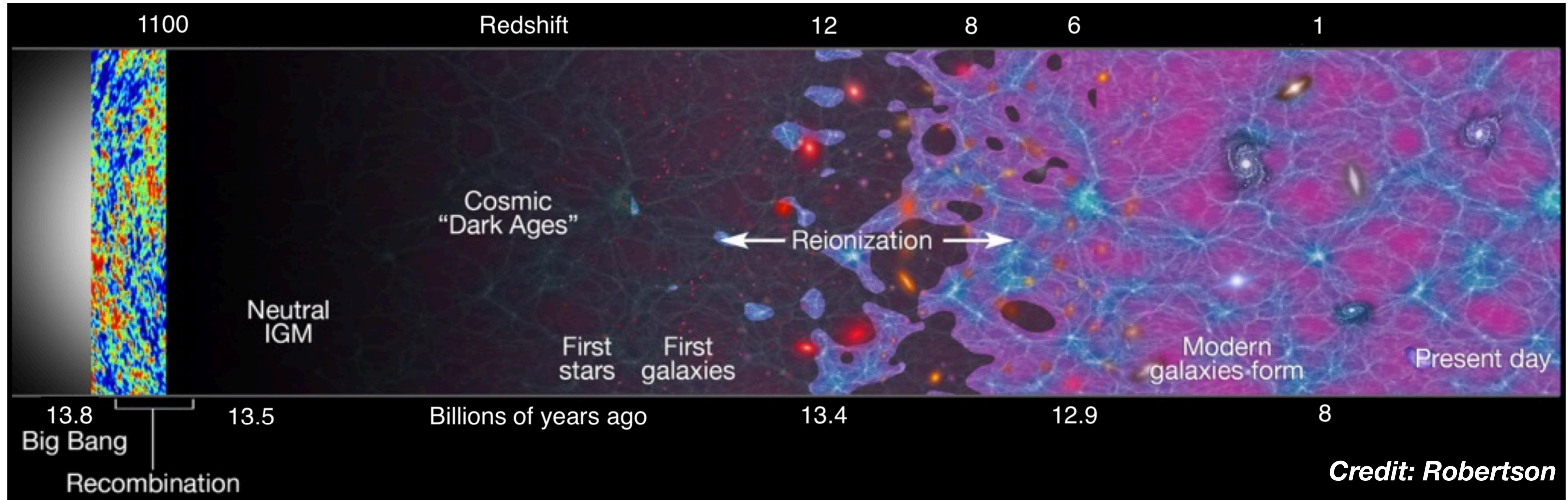
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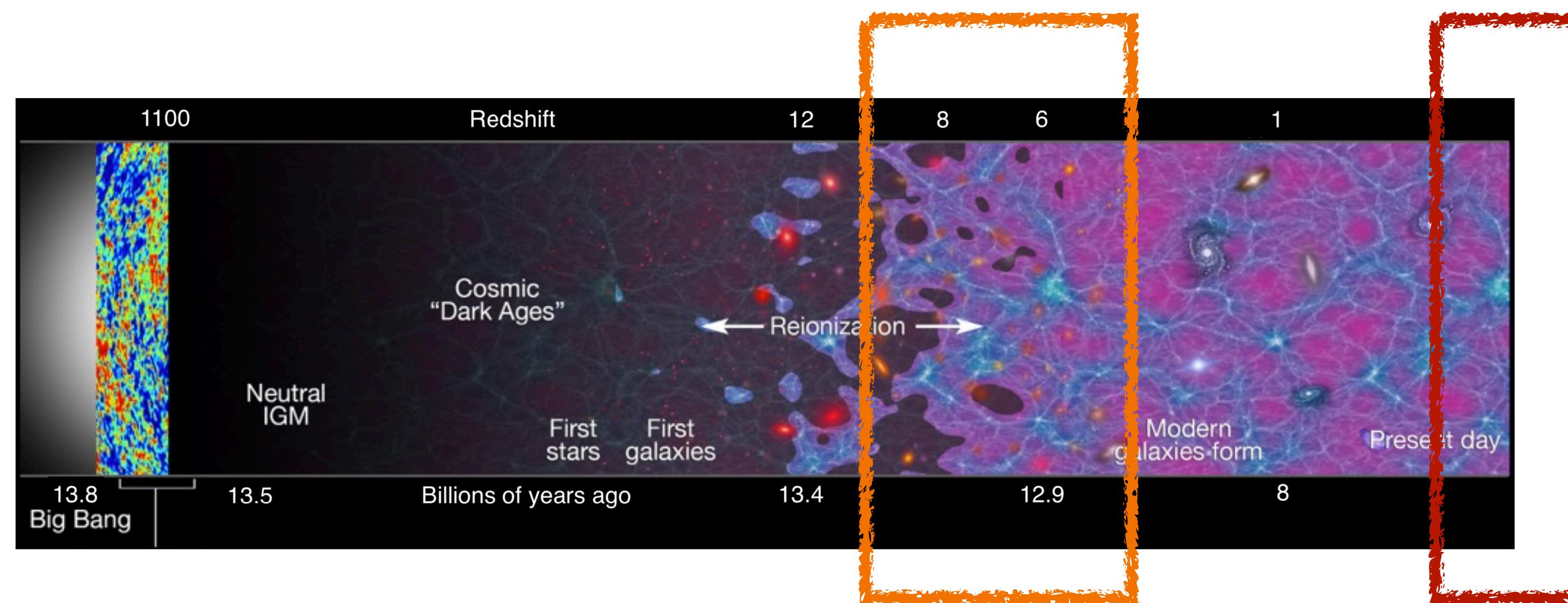


Cosmic History



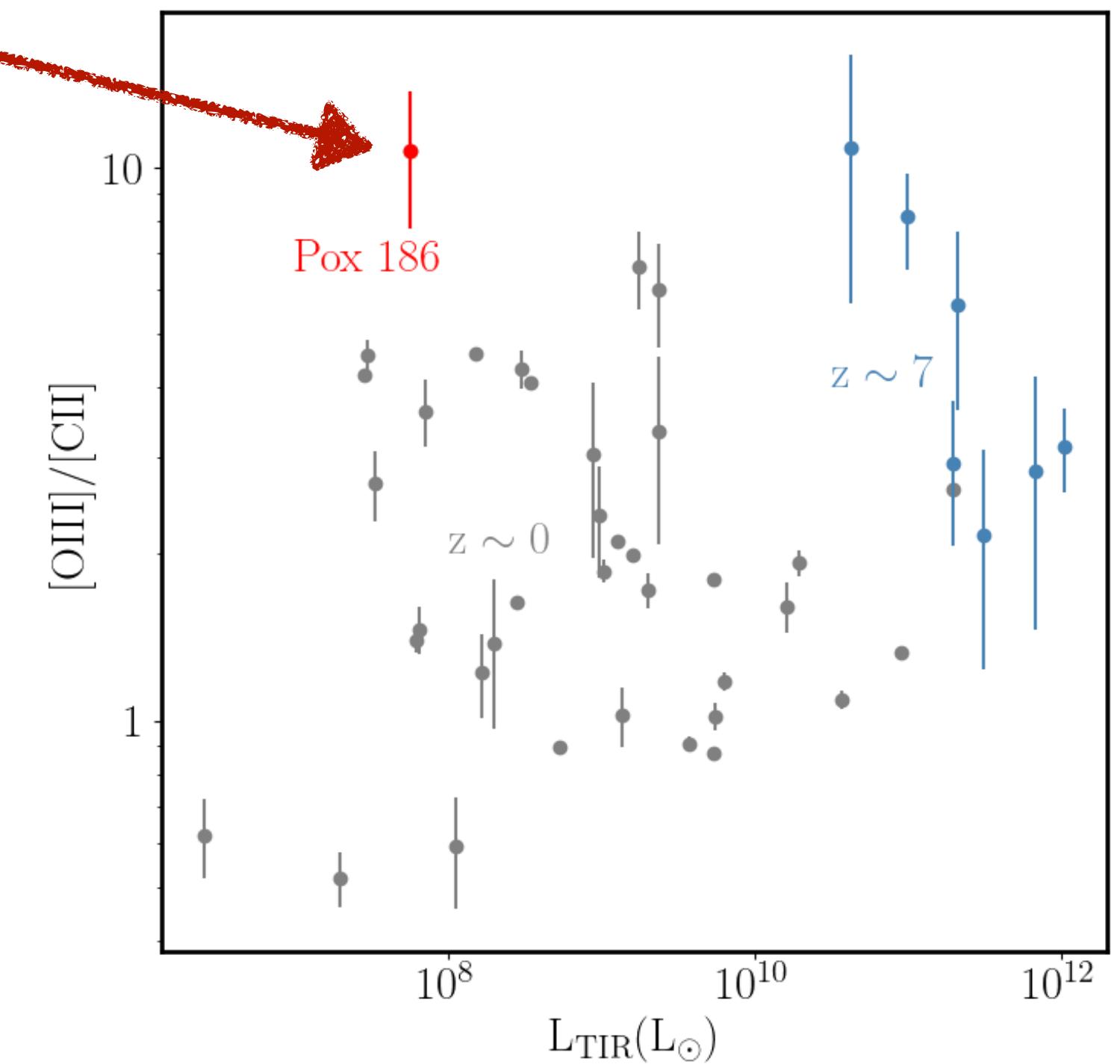
Potential sources of reionization: AGNs, QSOs, SF galaxies, LBGs, Lyman alpha emitters ([LAEs](#))?

Talk outline



1. Ly α & non-Ly α emitters In the EoR

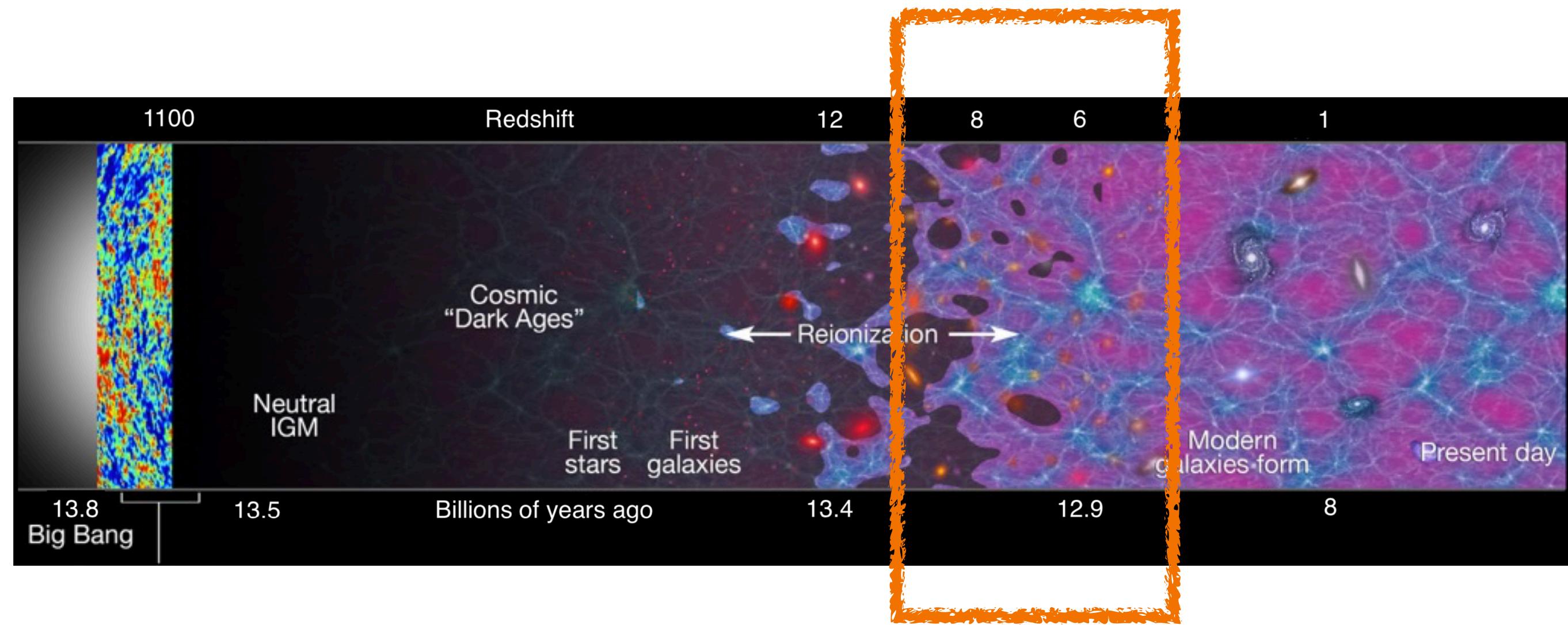
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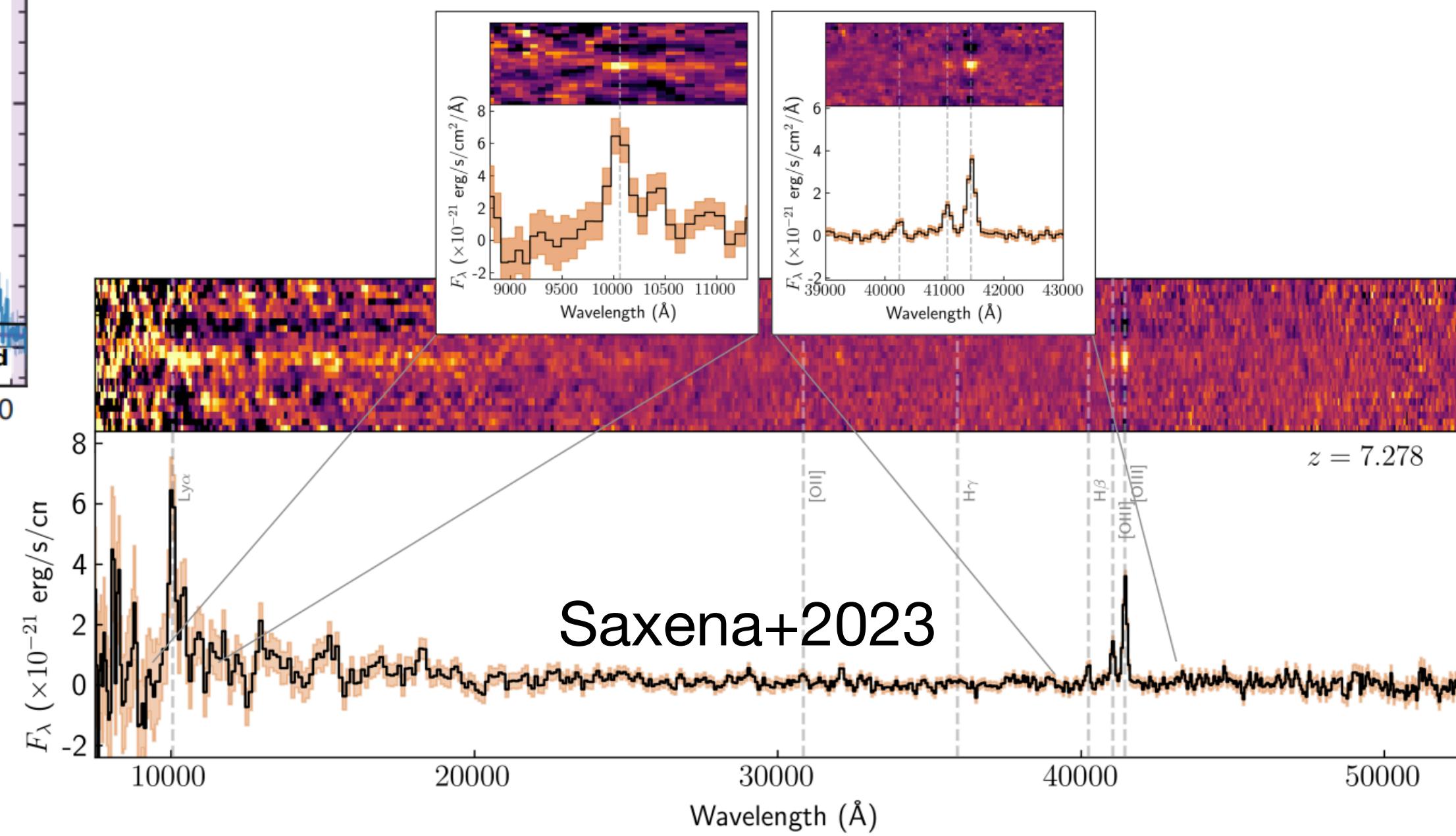
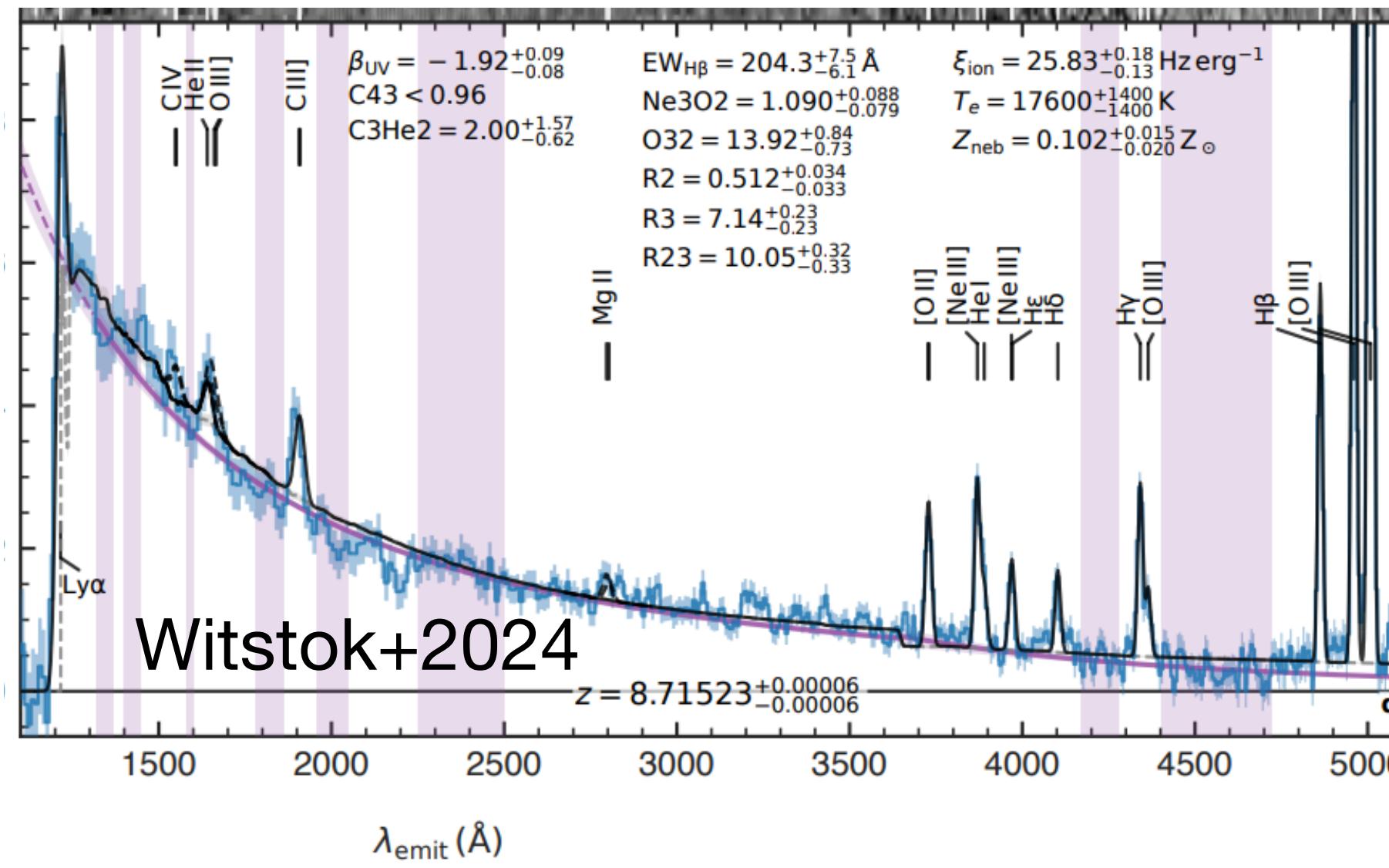


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Lyman alpha emitters in JWST era

Since Partridge & Peebles 1967....



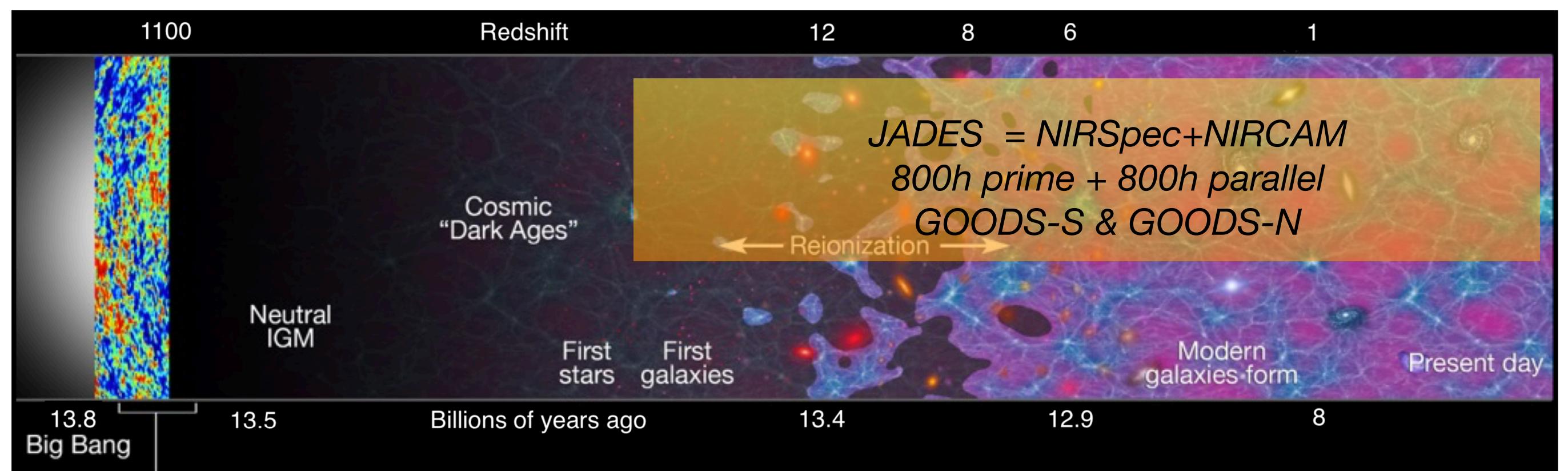
Thanks to JWST/
NIRSpec:
Several spectroscopic
detection & analysis

(e.g., Bunker+2023,
Jones+2023,
Maseda+2023,
Tang+2024,
Saxena+2023a,
2023b,
Witstok+2024a,2024b,
see also,
Heintze+2024,
Roberts-
Borsani+2024)

Various ground-breaking studies though difficult to draw broad conclusions on LAE and non-LAE populations.

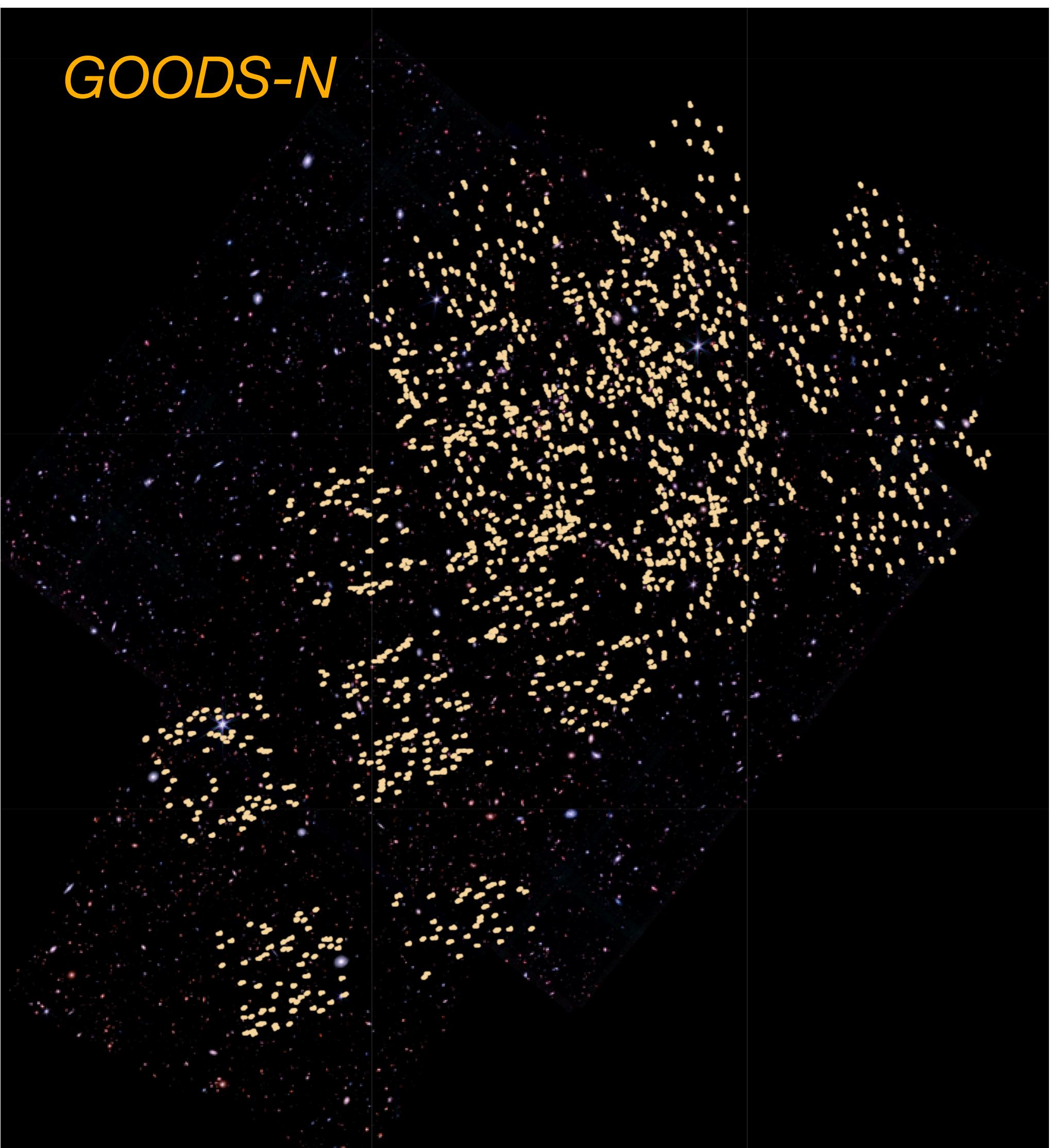
JADES: Galaxies population

JADES Overview

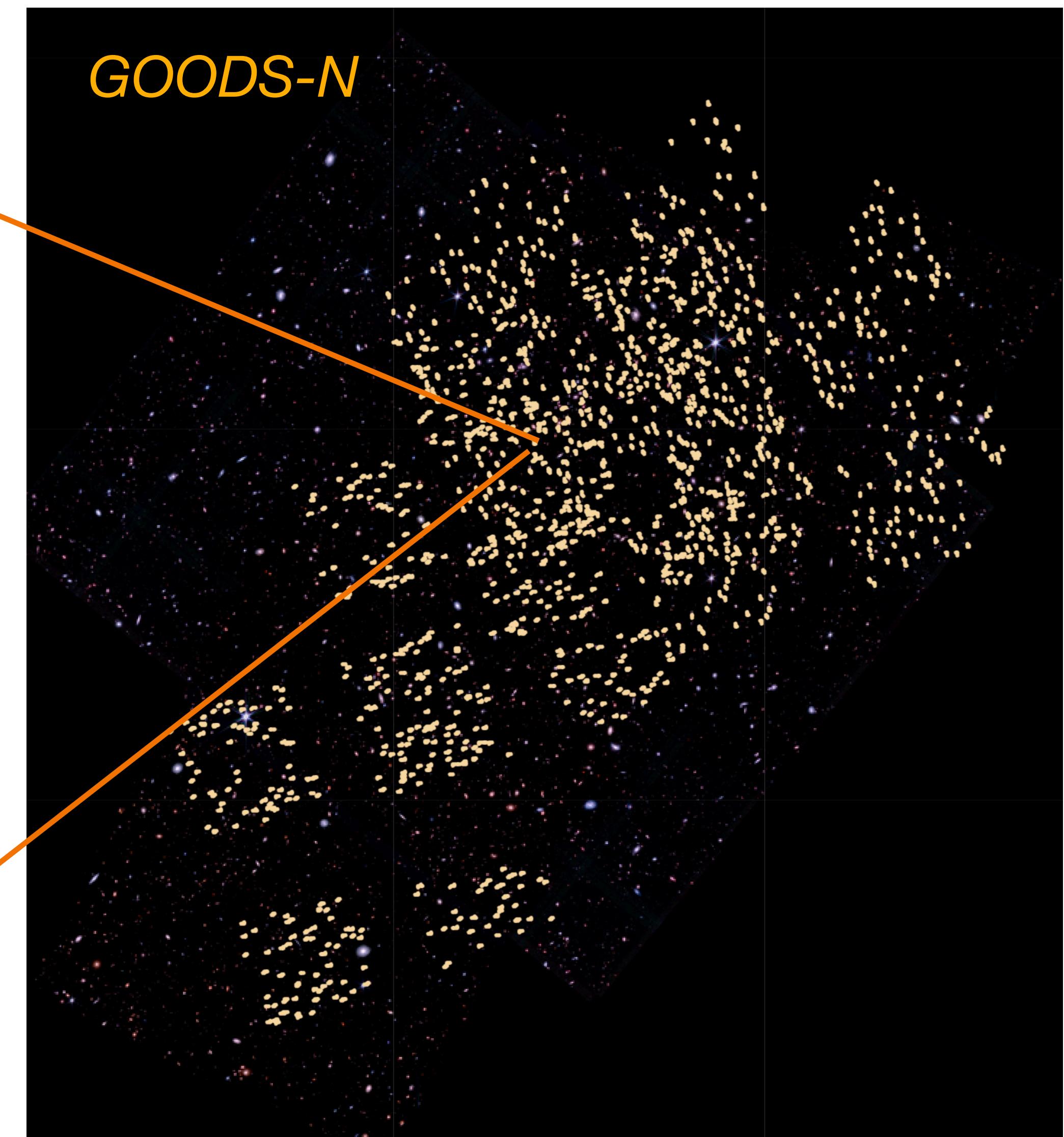
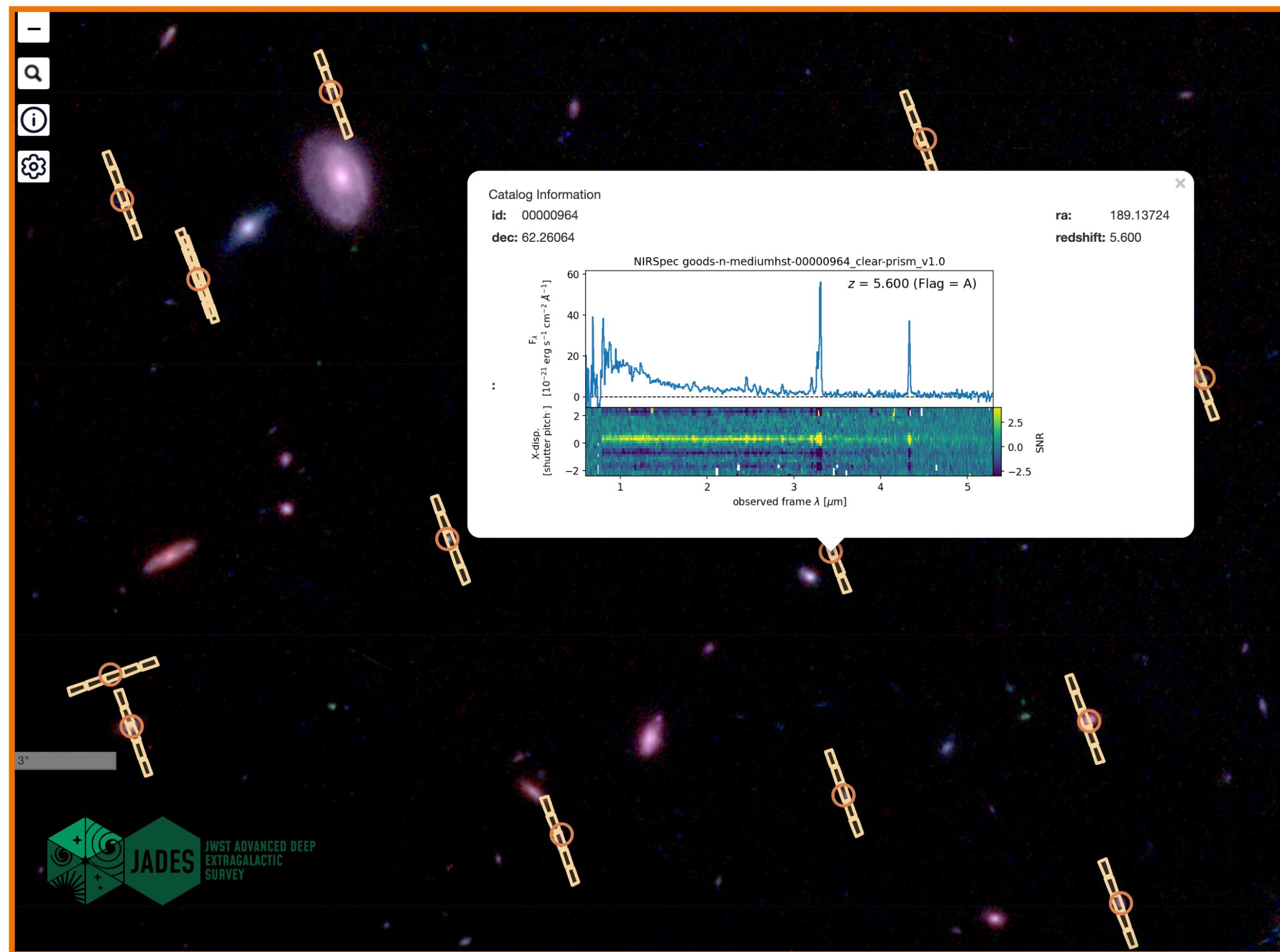


Low ($R \sim 100$), Medium ($R \sim 1000$) &
High resolution ($R \sim 2700$)
Multi-object spectroscopy (MOS) via NIRSpec
&
NIRCam imaging in 9 filters.

See e.g., Bunker+2020, Rieke+2020, Eisenstein+2023, Bunker+2023

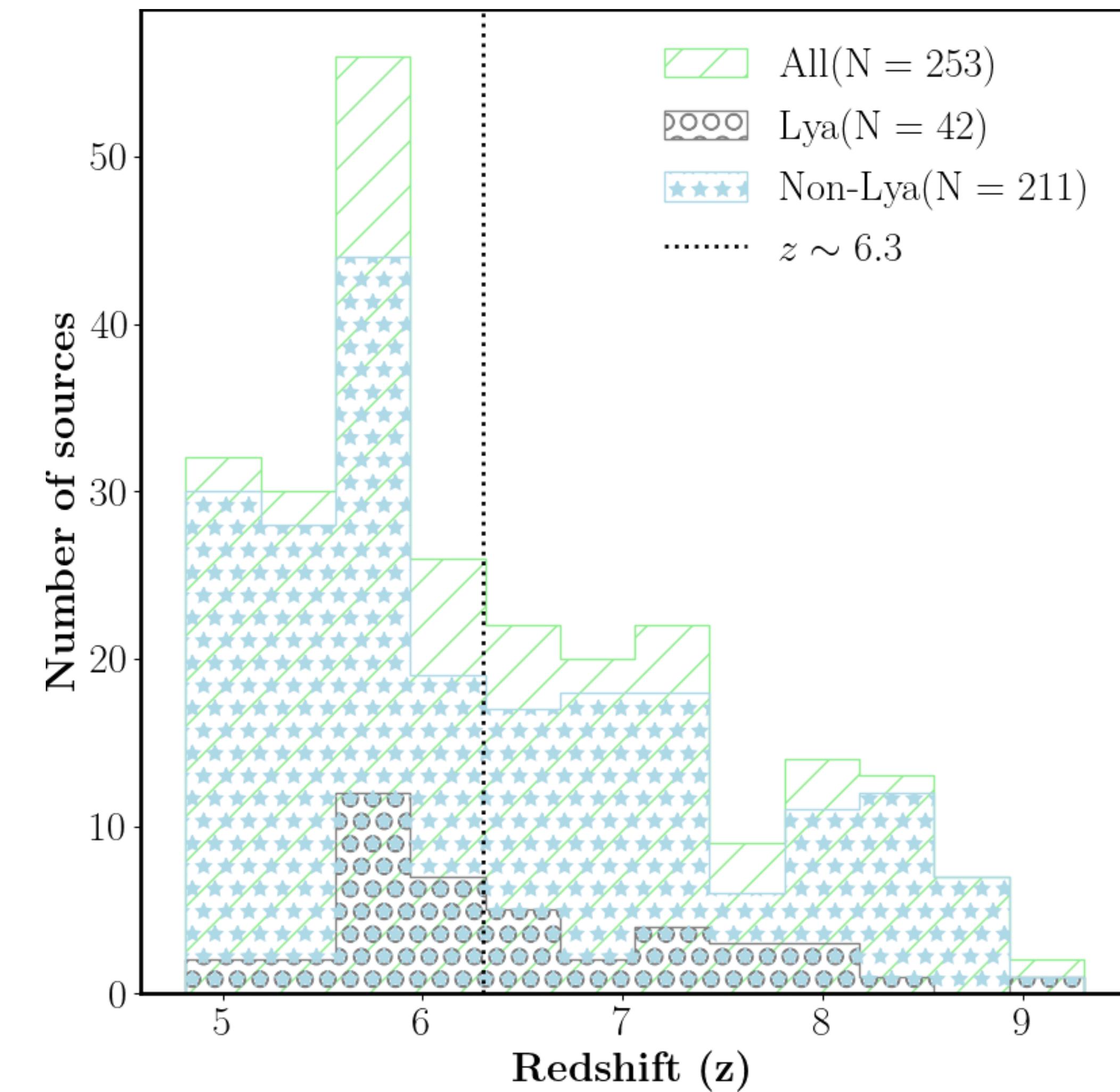


JADES: Galaxies populations via MSA

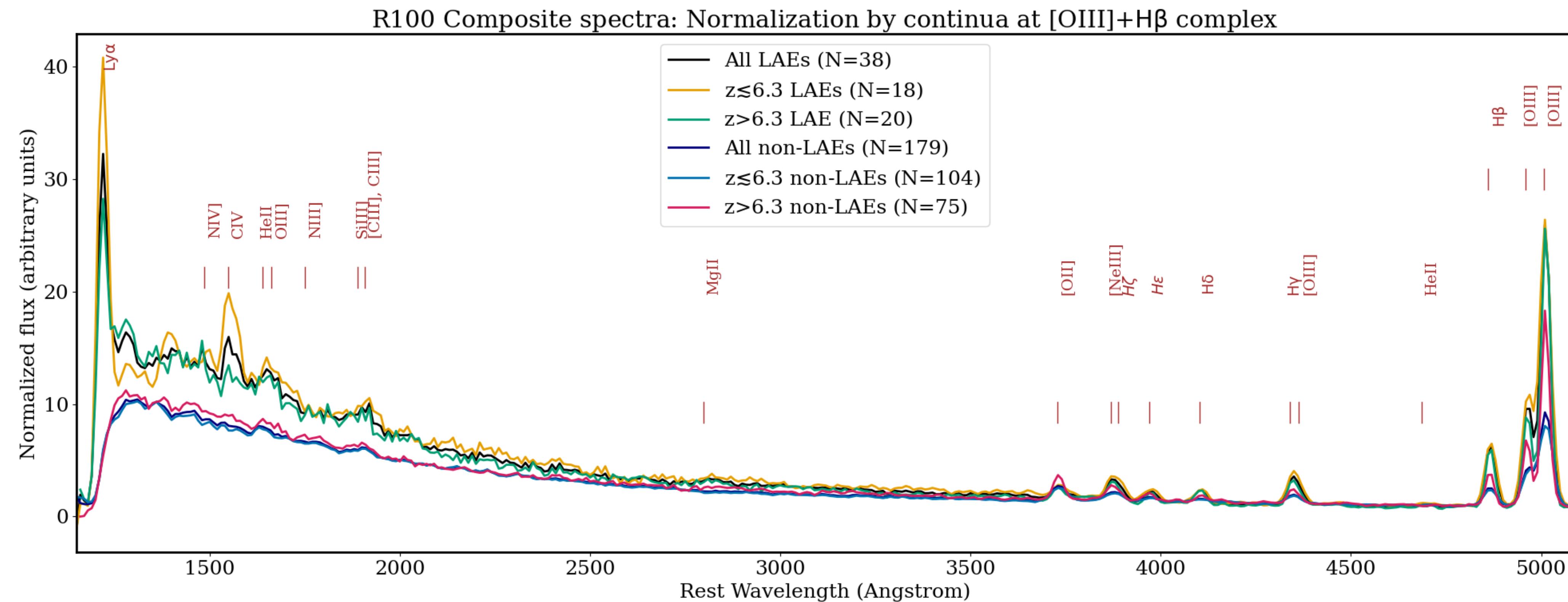


JADES: LAE versus non-LAE population

- Sample Selection:
 - Redshift range: 4.8-9.6
 - Rest-wavelength range: Ly α to [OIII]5007
- Sub-samples:
 - LAEs vs non-LAEs
 - Based on redshifts
- Stacking spectra within 6 sub-samples



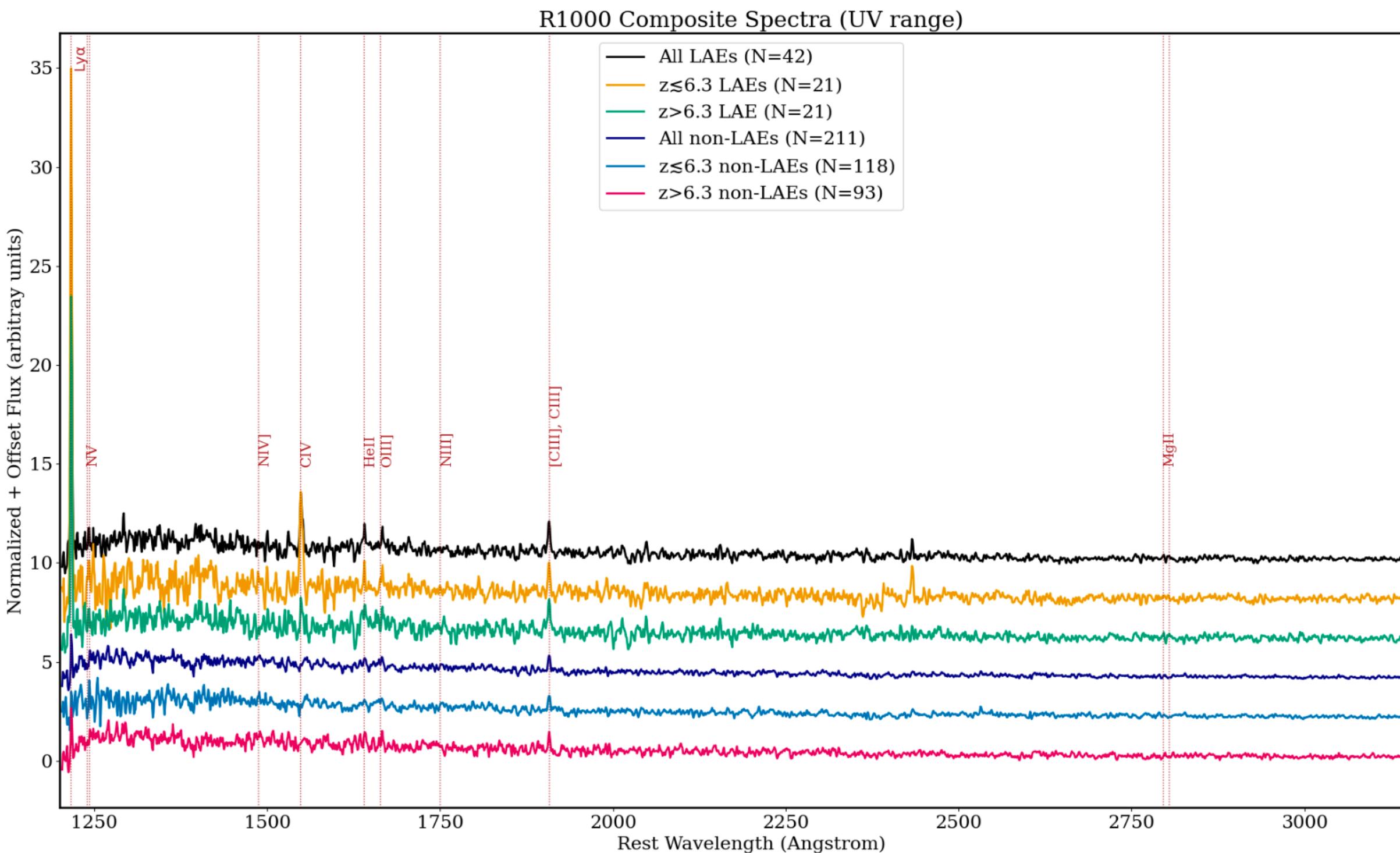
R100 Composites: LAEs versus non-LAEs



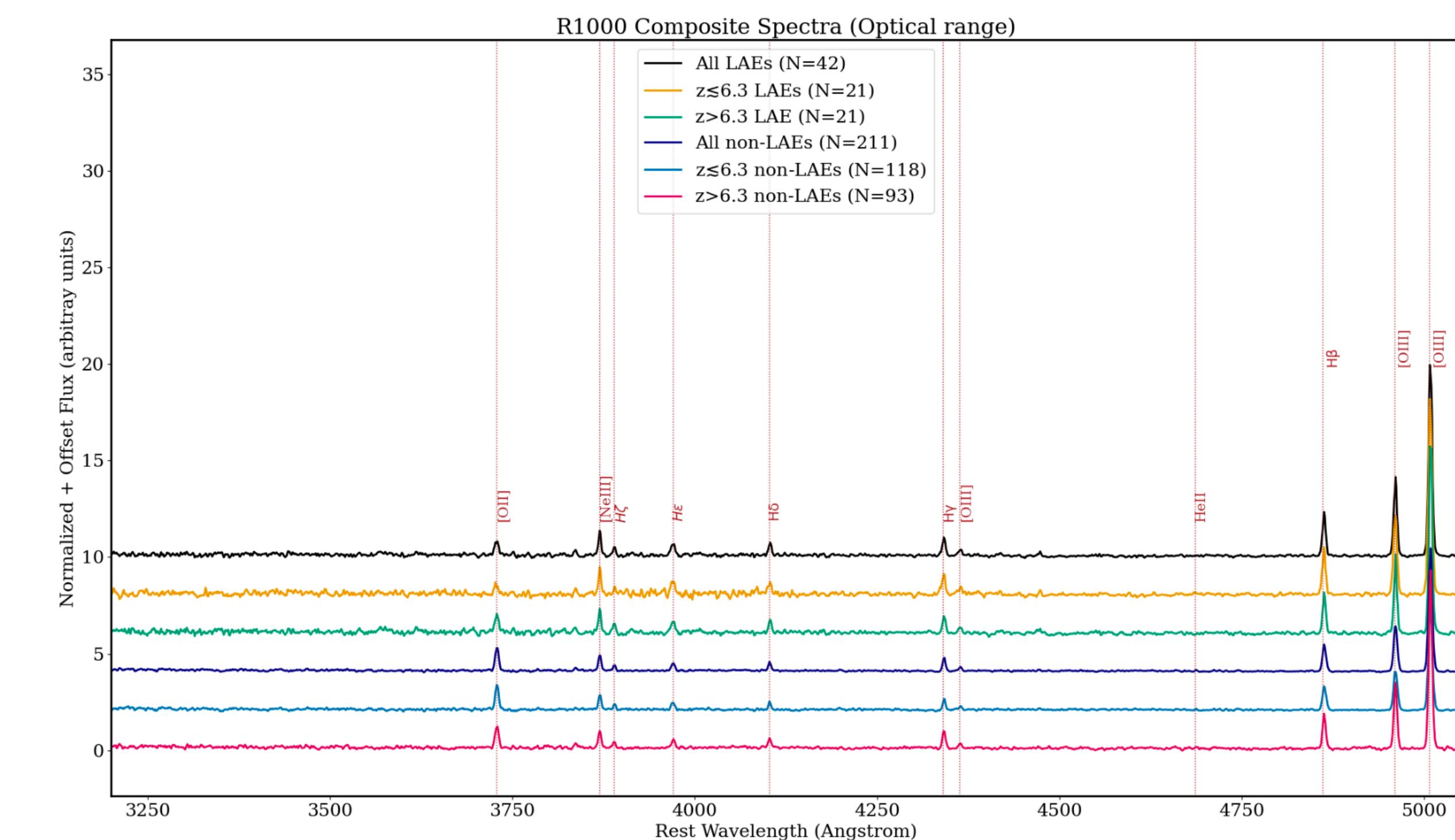
Large EW([OIII]4959,5007) for LAEs compared to non-LAEs → large ionizing photon production efficiency

$\log(\xi^*_{\text{ion}})$ LAE samples $\sim 25.63\text{-}25.75$ (Hz erg $^{-1}$)

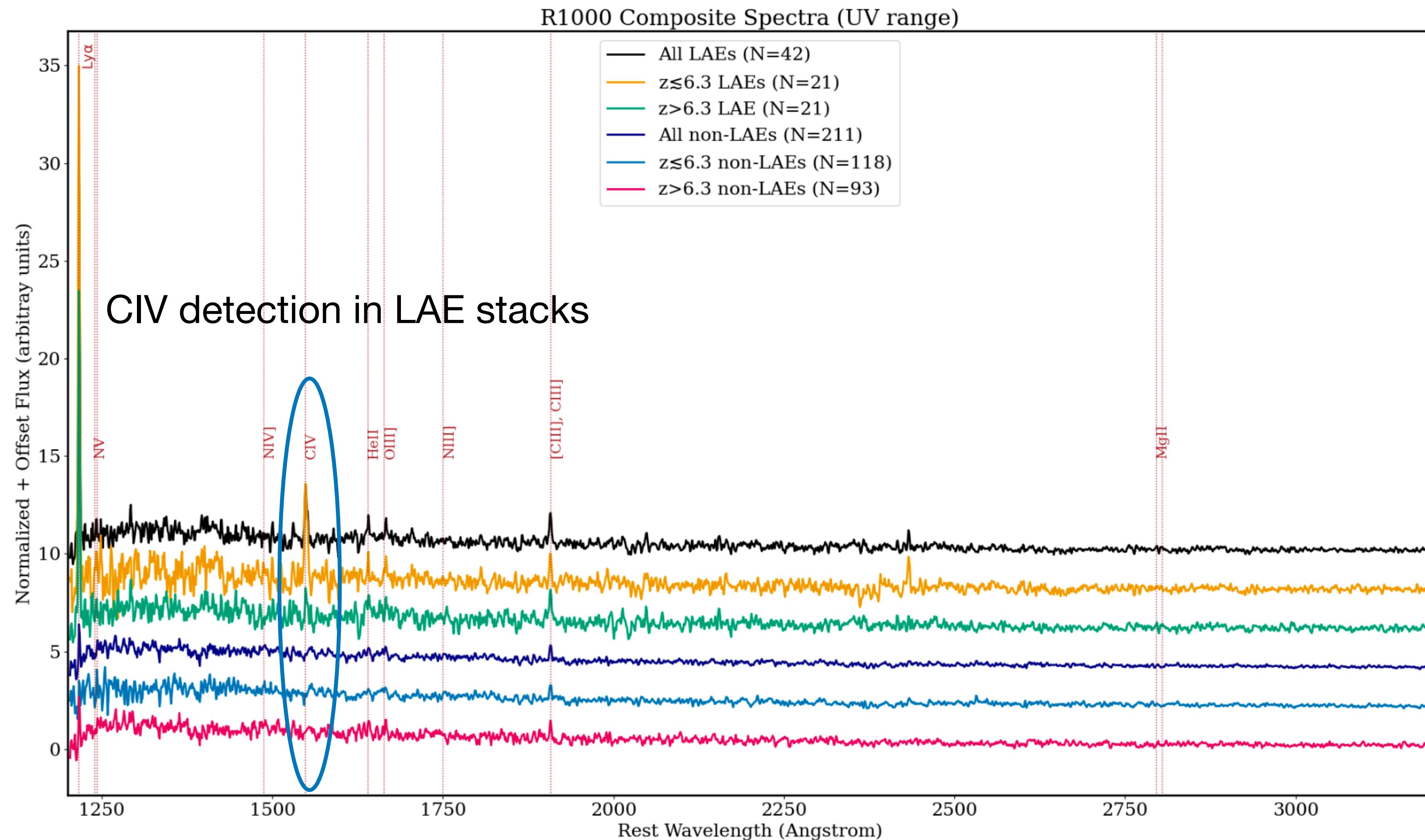
R1000 Composites: LAEs versus non-LAEs



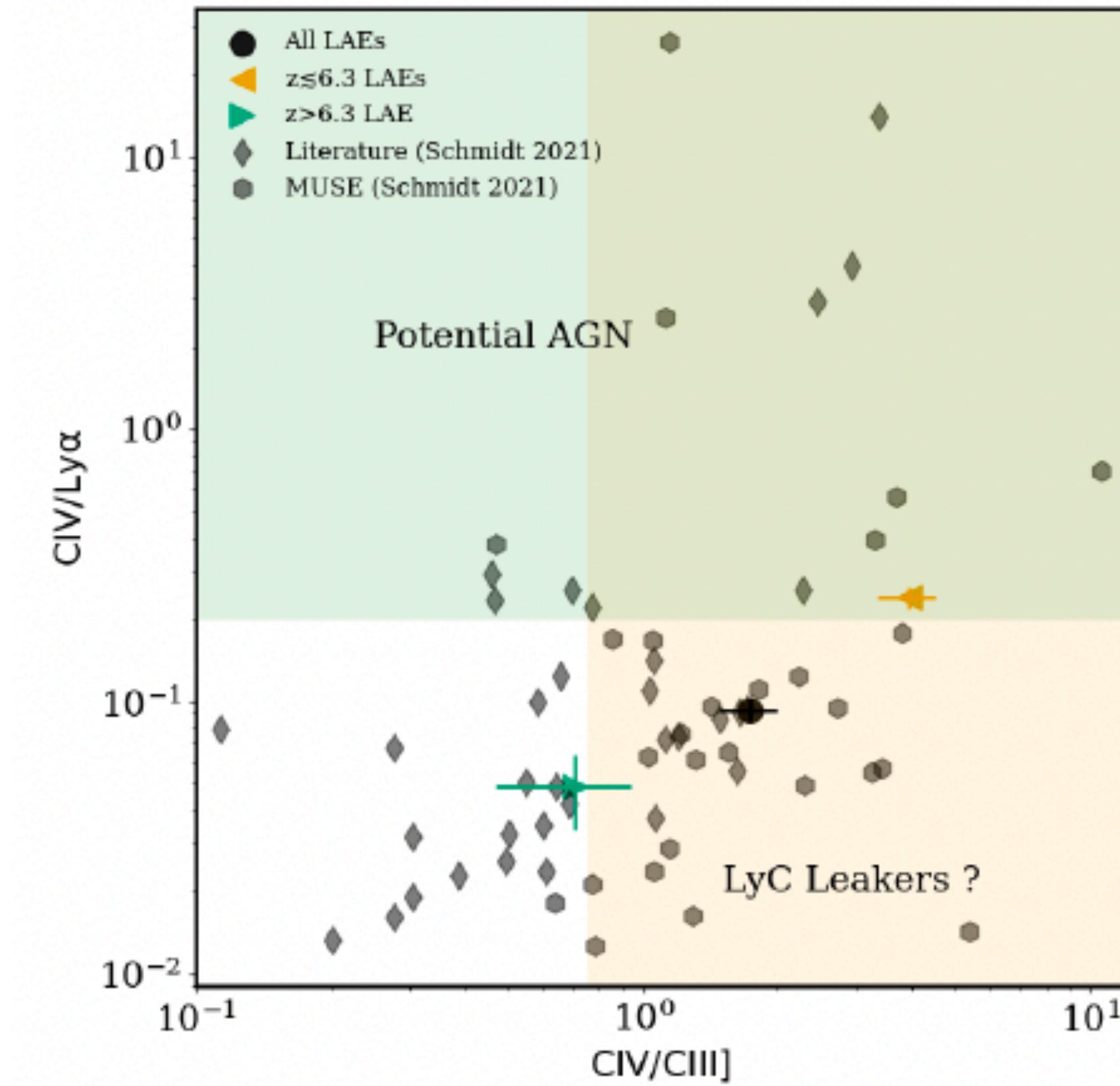
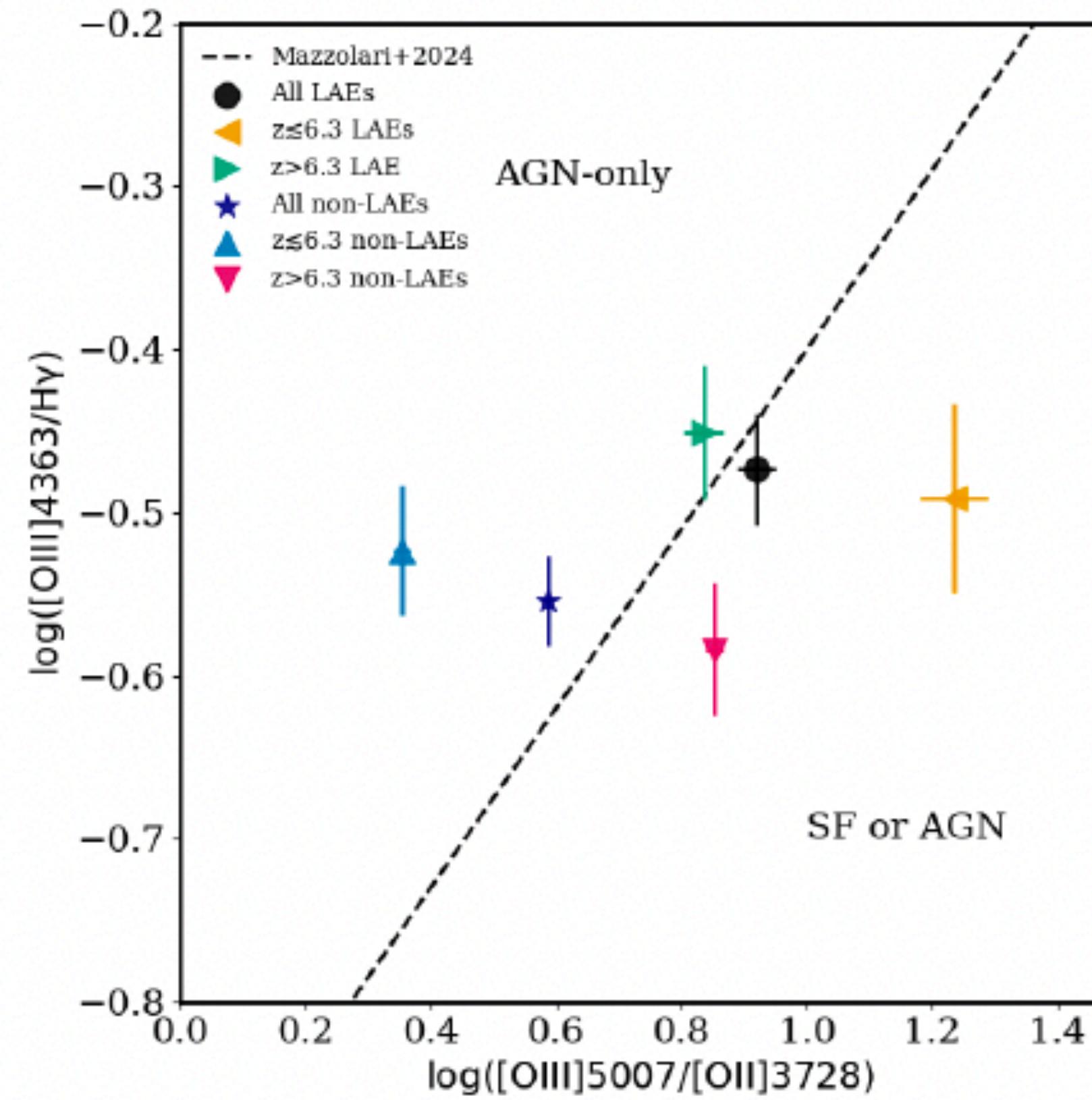
Various physical properties such as dust-extinction, electron temperatures, ionization parameter and escape fraction of Ly α and LyC...



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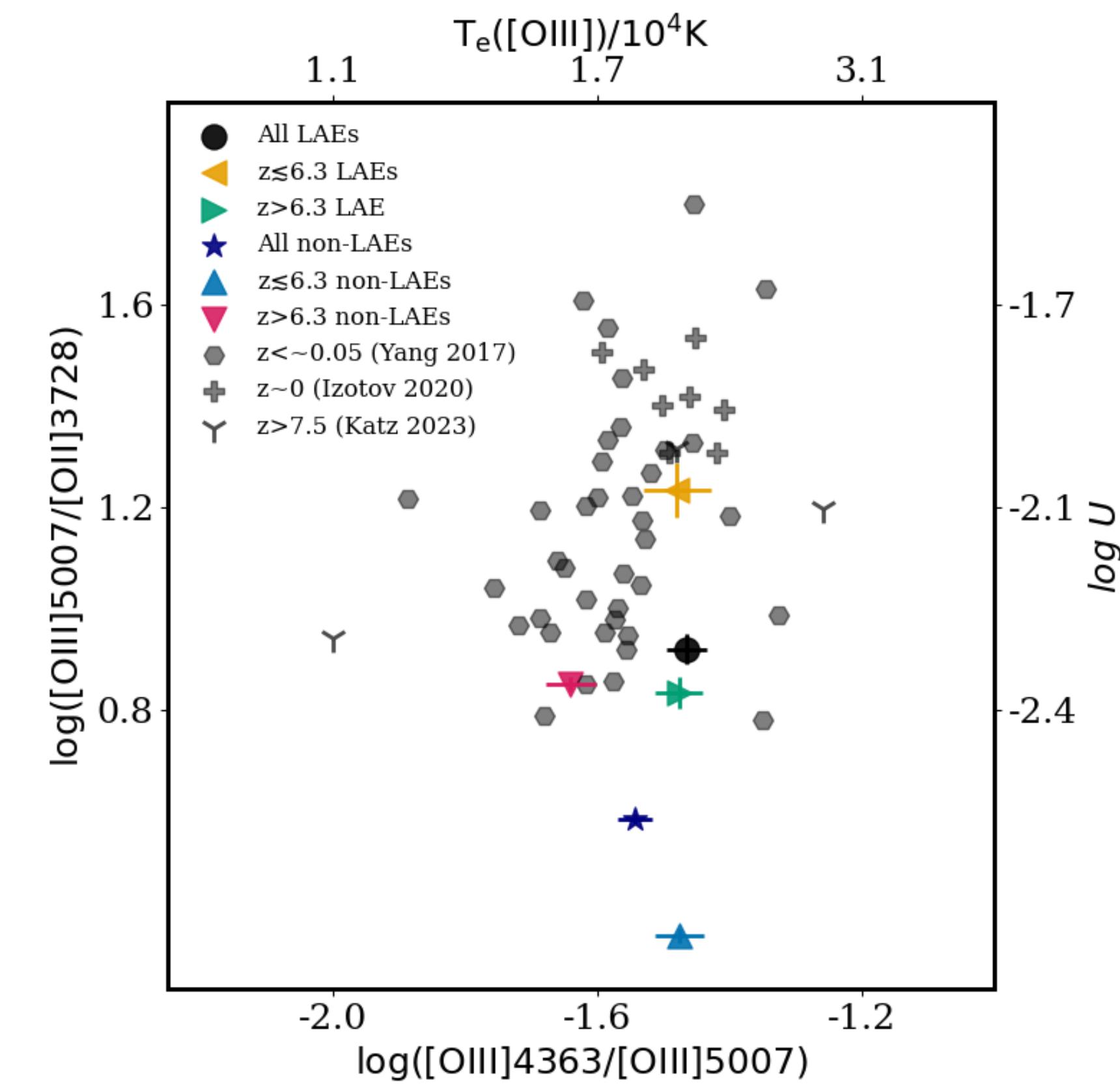
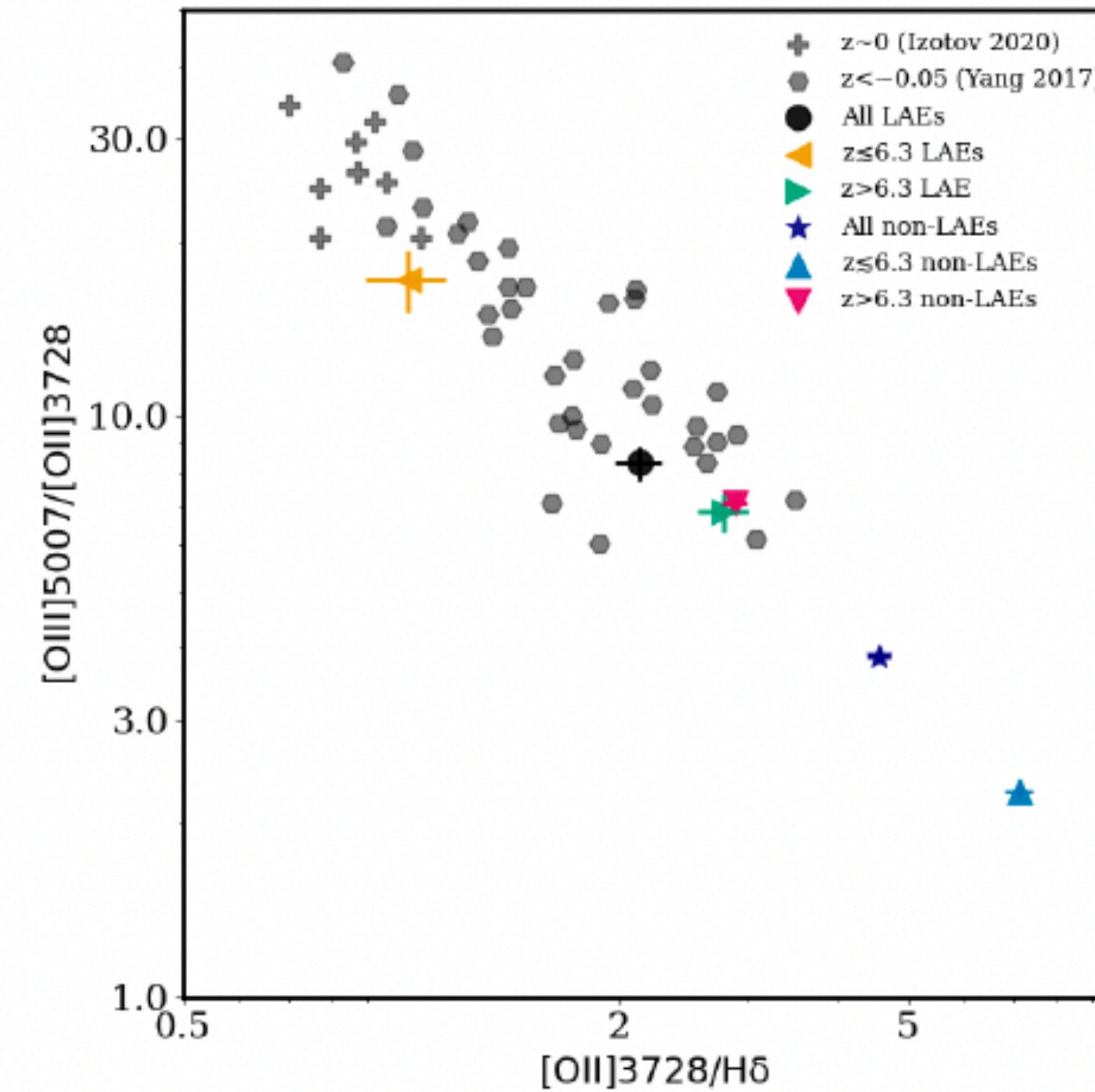
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AGN dominating all samples?

$\text{CIV}/\text{Ly}\alpha$ & CIV/CIII for LAEs at $z < 6.3$
~ 5x for LAEs at $z > 6.3$

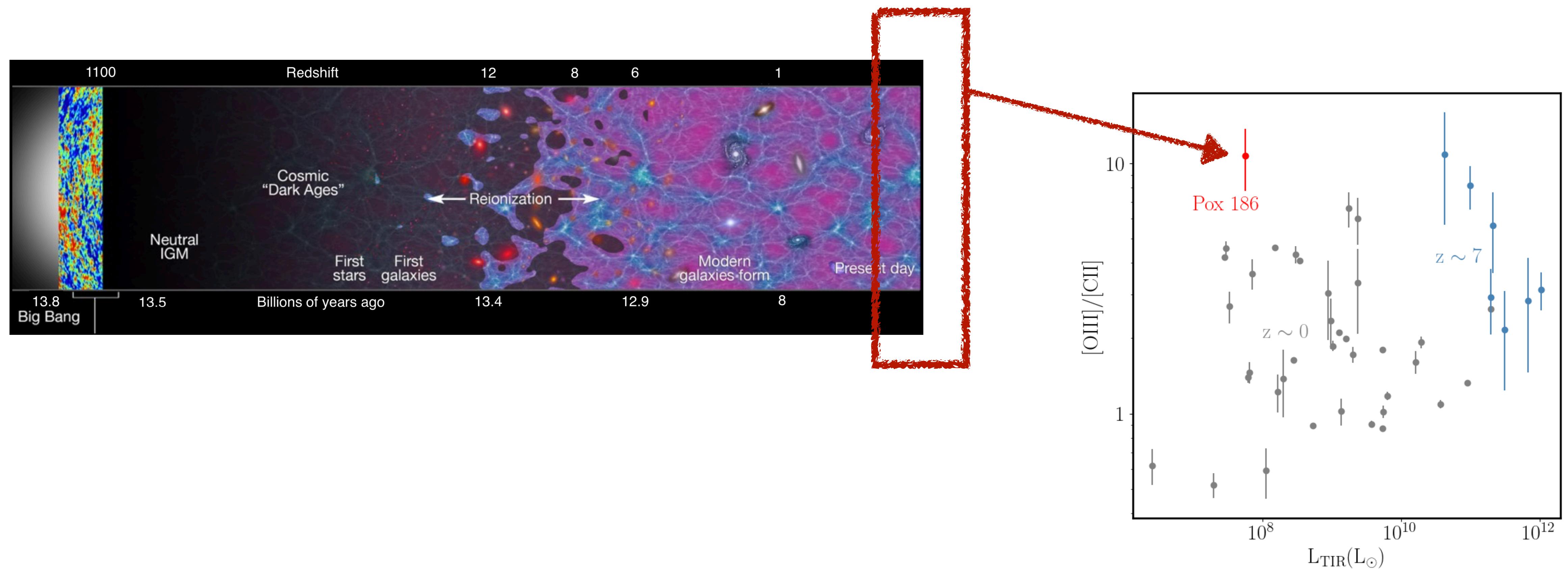
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LAEs show much higher [O III]/[O II] and low [O II]/H δ at $z \leq 6.3$ compared to non-LAEs, but these line ratios are not sufficient to distinguish the two populations at $z > 6.3$.

Large variation in log U but comparable Te

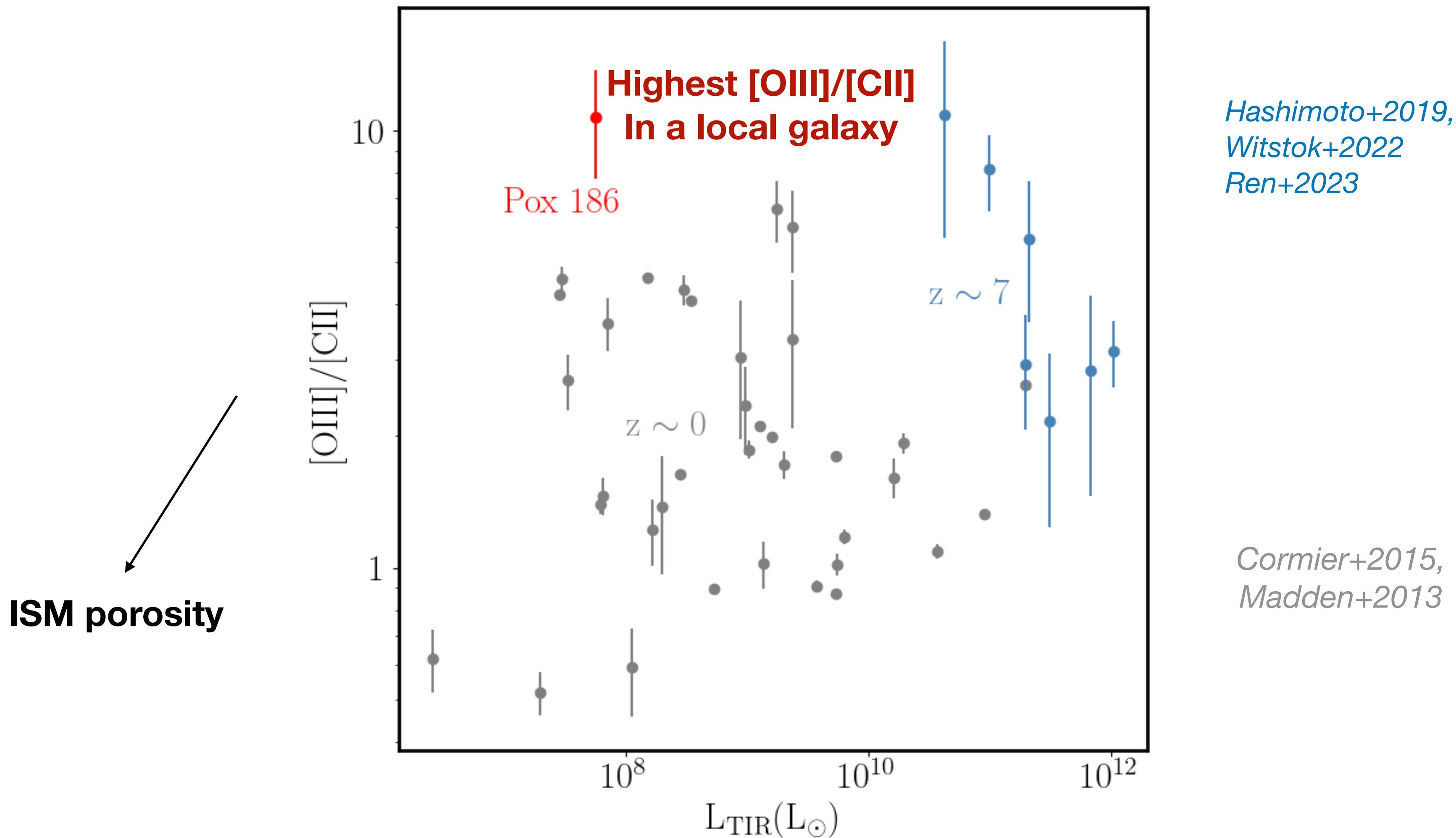
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Pox 186: Potential best local analogue of reionization-era galaxies



Pox 186: characterizing this potentially best analogue

UV, optical & IR

UV: HST/COS, mid-cycle 27, 28

PI: Kumari

Optical: GMOS-IFU,
fast-turnaround proposals
GN-2020A, GN-2021A

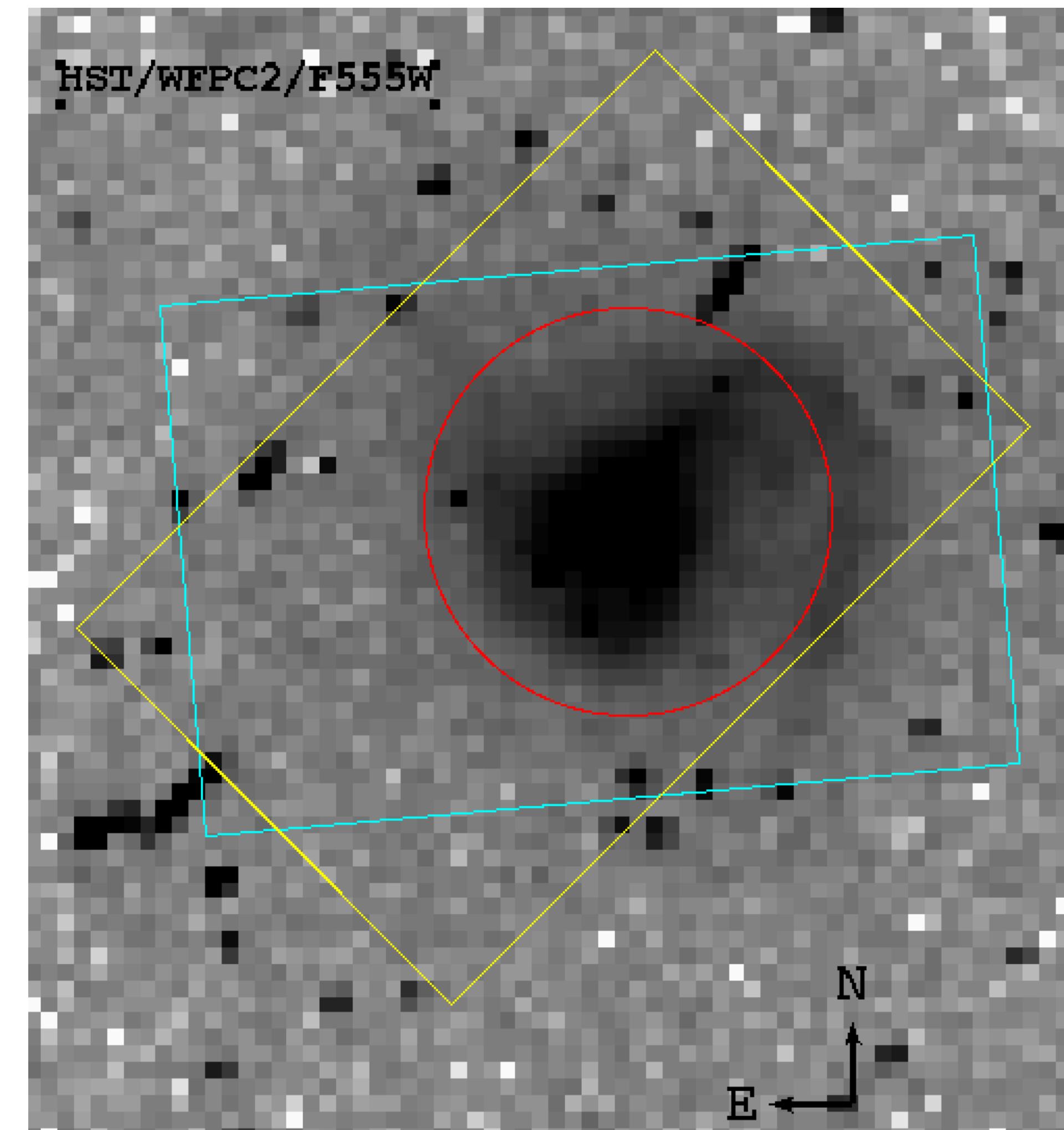
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MIR: JWST/MIRI Cycle 3

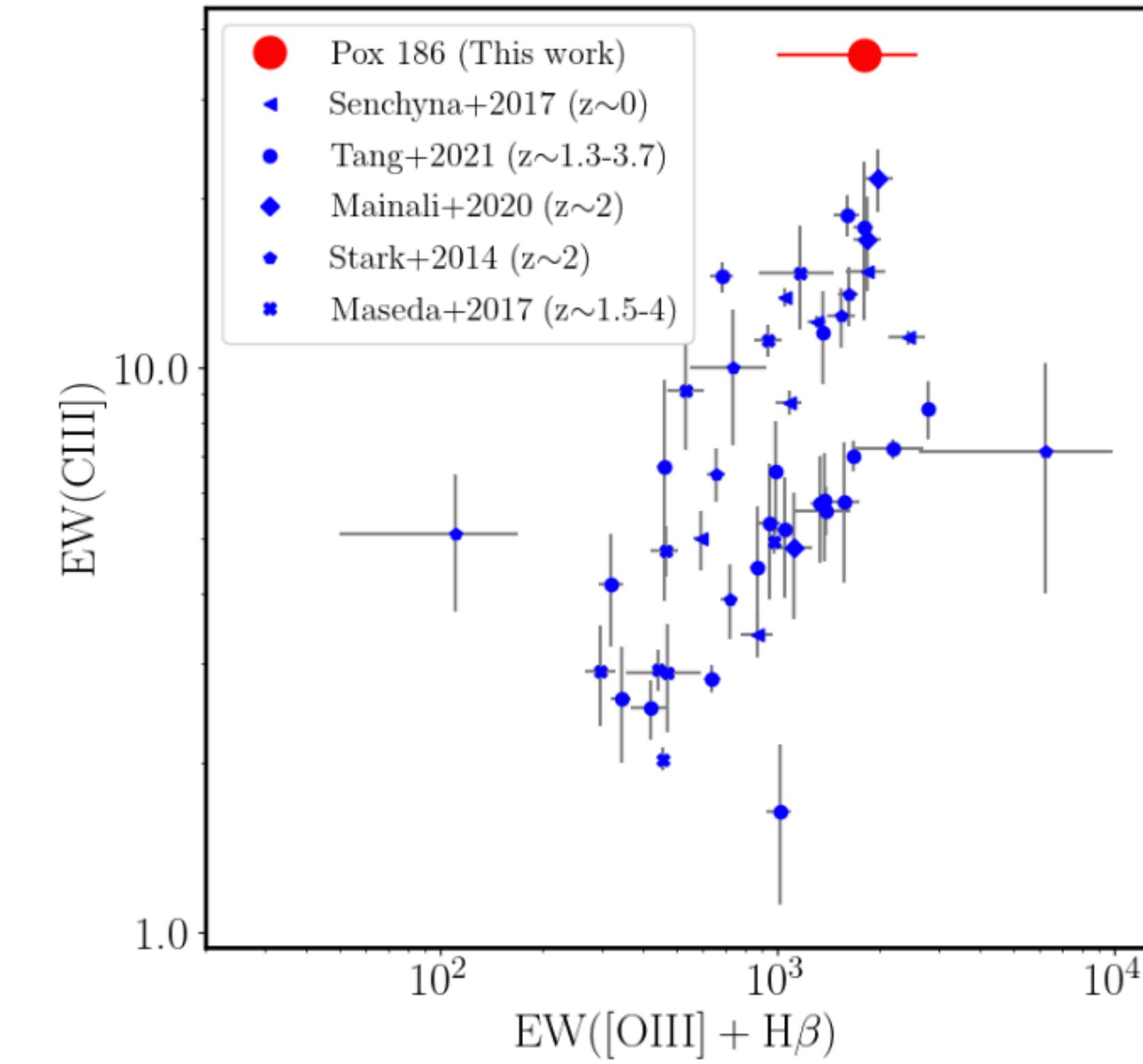
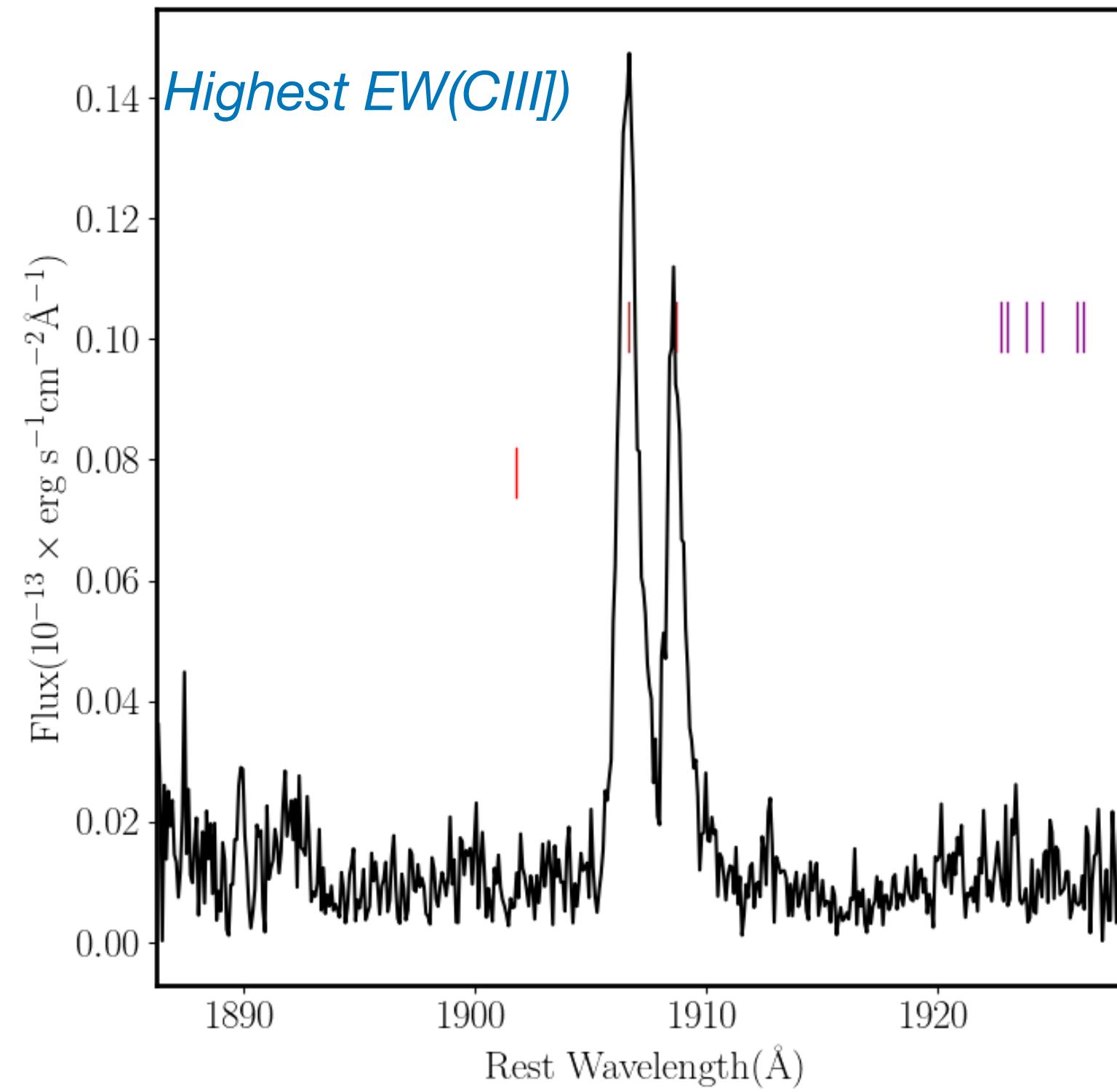
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+ Spitzer Archival

FIR: Herschel Archival data



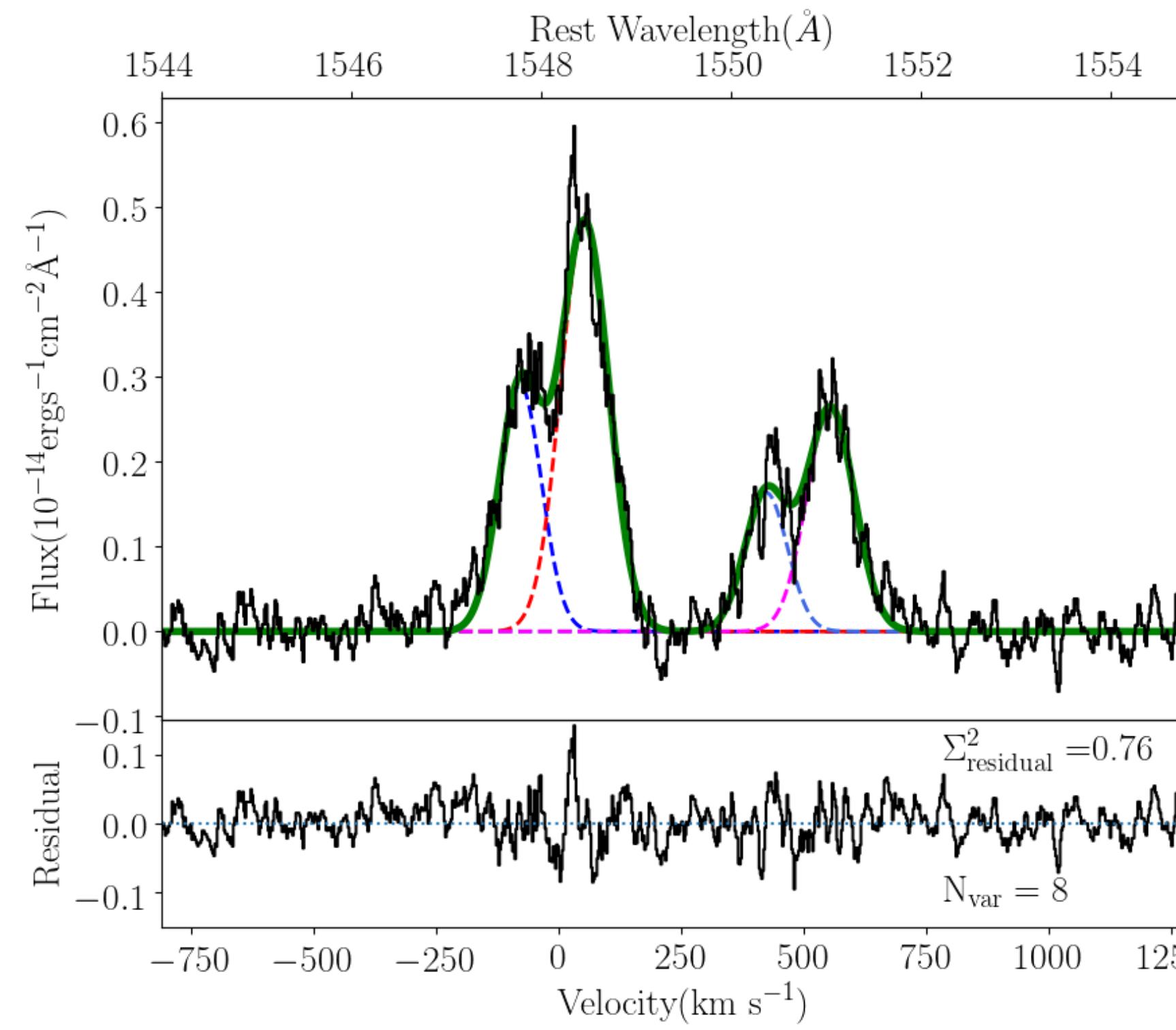
Pox 186: Highest EW(CIII])



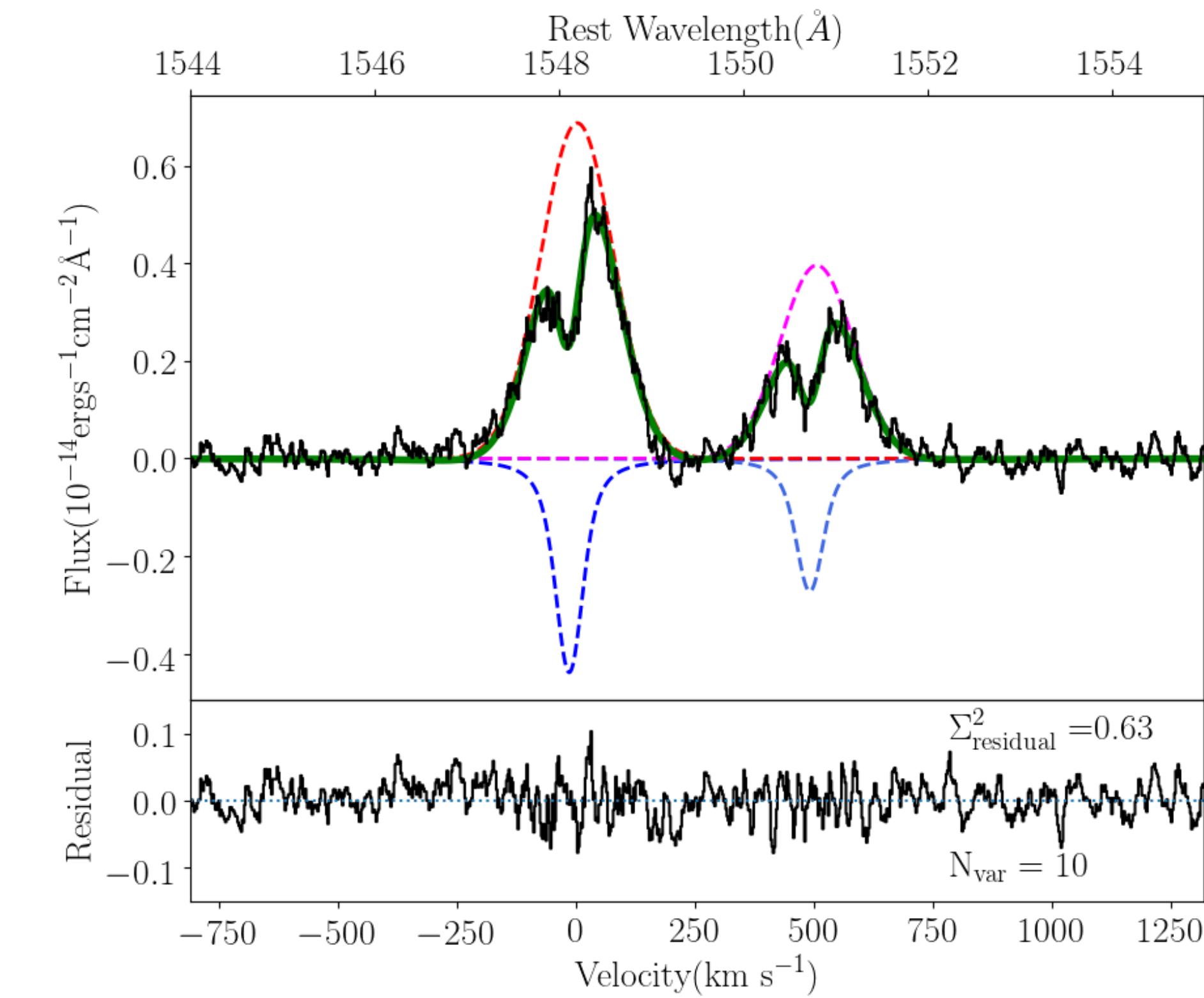
Several scenarios explored:

High C/O ratio, High effective temperature, Hard ionizing radiation, Top-heavy IMF, binary stars, In-homogeneous dust distribution.

Pox 186: Double-peaked CIV doublets



Resonant scattering



Weak interstellar absorption

First time when both CIV lines (1548, 1550) are resolved to show double peaks.

Pox 186: Lyman Continuum Leaker

LyC leaker

High [OIII]/[CII]
(e.g., Chevance+2017, Katz+2023)

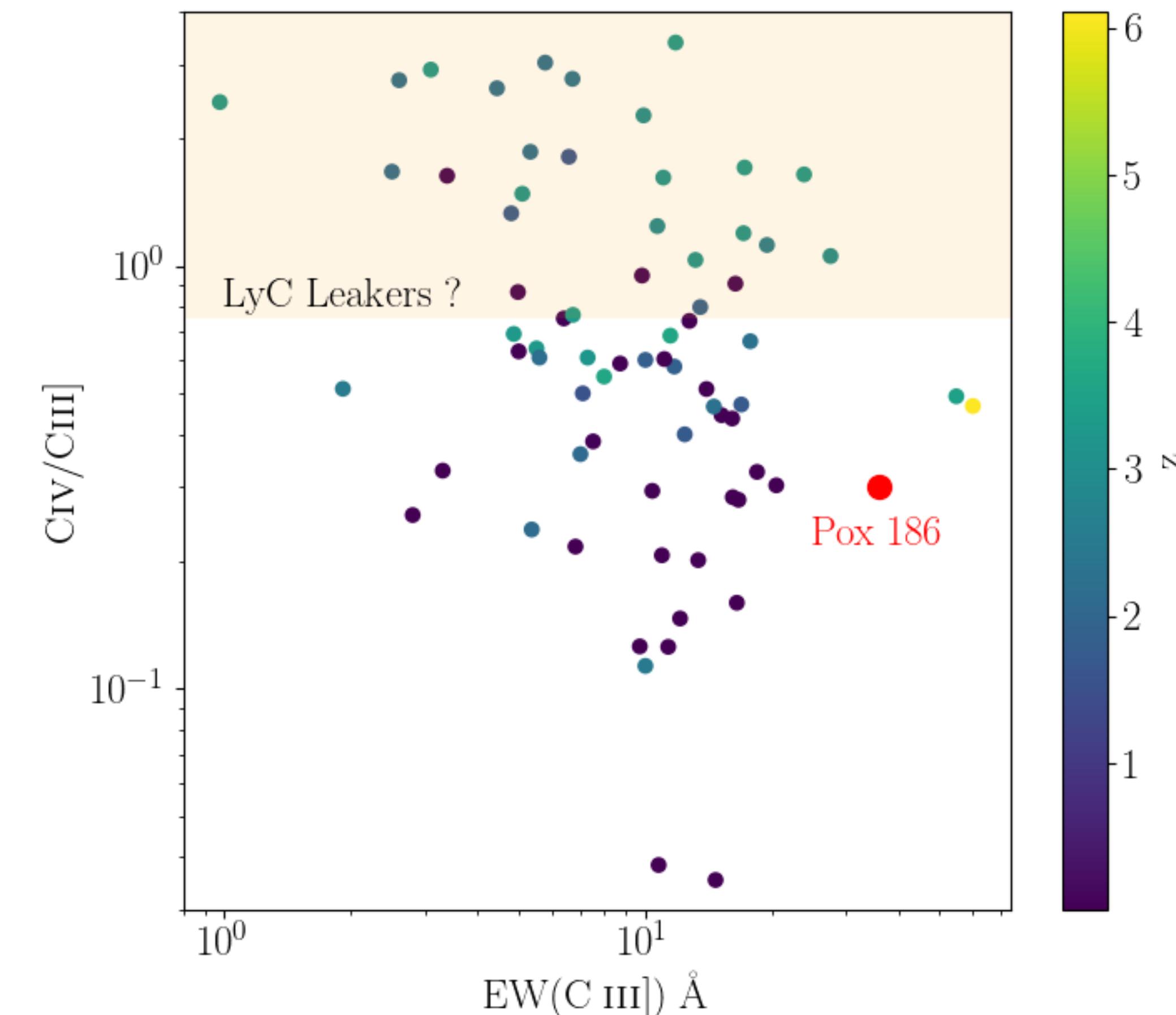
High [OIII]/[OII]
(e.g., Izotov+2018)

40% escape fraction
(Ramambason+2022)

Not a LyC leaker?

CIV/CIII]
(Schaerer+2022)

β slope
(Chisholm+2022)



Literature data from Schmidt+2021

Summary

- The ionizing radiation for LAEs in the EoR is hard, as revealed from several diagnostics including CIV detection, high $[\text{O III}]/[\text{O II}](>8)$, and large values of ξ^{ion} .
[Kumari et al. arXiv:2406.11997](#)
- Multi-wavelength local reference sample of EoR galaxies on the basis of optical/UV + $[\text{OIII}]/[\text{CII}]$ (IR) measurements for JWST+ALMA studies
[Kumari et al. 2024, MNRAS, 529, 781](#)
- Stay tuned for more results:
 - HST/COS Cycle 32
 - JWST/MIRI Cycle 3

(PI: Kumari)

Thanks!