Characteristics of High Redshift Lensed Star Forming Galaxies, as seen by MUSE/VLT and HST

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- Lyman-α Emitter (LAE) and Lyman Break Galaxy (LBG) Interrelation

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- Lyman-*α* Emitter luminosity function (LAE LF)
- <u>Poster:</u> Studying the Luminosity Function of Lyman Alpha emitters selected behind 17 lensing clusters from MUSE/VLT observations

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MUSE Lensing clusters – The LLAMAS sample

- 17 lensing clusters observed with MUSE/VLT IFU spectroscopy. (Claeyssens et al. 2022)
- 603 LAEs with secure spectroscopic redshifts: 2.9 < z < 6.7.
- MUSE Datacubes, Catalogs, Lensing Models publicly available for this sample work ongoing to refine and add clusters.
- We can access faint populations that are out of reach for blank field surveys.

Exposure time (hrs)

Cluster	R.A.	Dec.	$z_{\rm cl}$	MUSE depth	N fields	N LAEs	Effective volume surveyed
	(J2000)	(J2000)		[hours]			Mpc ³
Abell 2744	00:14:20.702	-30:24:00.63	0.308	3.5 - 7	4	142 (121)	1969
Abell 370	02:39:53.122	-01:34:56.14	0.375	1.5 - 8.5	4	98 (42)	2080
MACS J0257.6-2209	02:57:41.070	-22:09:17.70	0.322	8	1	48 (25)	566
MACS J0329.6-0211	03:29:41.568	-02:11:46.41	0.450	2.5	1	8 (17)	627
MACS J0416.1-2403 N	04:16:09.144	-24:04:02.95	0.397	17	1	71 (46)	597
MACS J0416.1-2403 S	04:16:09.144	-24:04:02.95	0.397	11-15	1	56 (34)	535
MACS J0451.9+0006	04:51:54.647	+00:06:18.21	0.430	8	1	45 (21)	473
MACS J0520.7-1328	05:20:42.046	-13:28:47.58	0.336	8	1	33 (19)	606
1E 0657–56 (Bullet)	06:58:38.126	-55:57:25.87	0.296	2	1	14 (11)	743
MACS J0940.9+0744	09:40:53.698	+07:44:25.31	0.335	8	1	58 (49)	1171
MACS J1206.2-0847	12:06:12.149	-08:48:03.37	0.438	4-9	3	82 (50)	1777
RXJ1347.5-1145	13:47:30.617	-11:45:09.51	0.451	2-3	4	124 (72)	1247
SMACS J2031.8-4036	20:31:53.256	-40:37:30.79	0.331	10	1	44 (21)	563
SMACS J2131.1-4019	21:31:04.831	-40:19:20.92	0.442	7	1	30 (16)	512
Abell 2390	21:53:36.823	+17:41:43.59	0.228	2	1	14 (8)	534
MACS J2214.9-1359	22:14:57.292	-14:00:12.91	0.502	7	1	33 (17)	471
Abell S1063	22:48:43.975	-44:31:51.16	0.348	3.9	2	35 (20)	1227
Abell 2667	23:52:28.400	-26:05:08.00	0.233	2	1	24 (14)	423
Total					30	959 (603)	16117

From Claeyssens et al. 2021

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LAE Luminosity Function



- LAE Luminosity Function (LF) (2.9 < z < 6.7) behind 17 lensing clusters
- 603 (high confidence) LAEs.
- We investigate the faint end of the LF: hunting the contributors to reionisation.
- Improved statistics at $log(L_{Ly\alpha}) < 40.5$ with respect to initial study (de la Vieuville et al. 2019).

Results – LAE Luminosity Function



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LAE/LBG intersection

- Start this analysis with the HFF and CLASH clusters (7 in total).
- We complement MUSE spectroscopy with the deepest HST photometry we have available today on the HFF and CLASH fields.
- We use all available HST bands, K_s from VLT and Spitzer/IRAC (3.6 and 4.5 μ m) Shipley et al. 2018 for the HFF, Postman et al. 2012 for the CLASH.
- We select LBGs using pure photometric redshifts 2.9 < z < 6.7 -Hyperz package and the integrated probability function.



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LBG Selection - HFF

Group	A2744	A370	AS1063	M0416N	M0416S
LAE only	24	8	6	14	5
LBG only	<548	<515	<398	<189	<184
LAE+LBG	49	18	4	12	15
LAE+continuum	48	16	11	20	13

• LAE incompleteness have been calculated – used in the LF, will be used here also.

- LBG multiple images
- LBG incompleteness/intersection incompleteness



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LAE+continuum



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LBG only



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LAE only





UV Magnitude Distribution



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Upcoming challenges

- 1. LBG multiple images
 - \checkmark Done for the LAEs
 - □ To do for the LBGs
- 2. Incompleteness treatment
 - \checkmark Done for the LAEs
 - □ Needs to be done for the LBGs
 - □ Needs to be done for the intersection...

3. Extend to the CLASH (short-term) and the full LLAMAS sample (longer-term).

□ Photometry is significantly worse in some of these fields.

Summary

- MUSE IFU observations
- LLAMAS sample: 600+ LAEs at redshifts between 2.9 and 6.7.
- We probe luminosities down to $log(L_{Ly\alpha}) \approx 39.5$, much deeper than in blank field studies.
- Faint end of the LF slope $\alpha = -1.87$, faint end turnover.

- Preliminary results on the LAE/LBG intersection.
- ~2000 LBGs in the HFF fields (2.9 < z < 6.7) using photometric redshifts.
- Photometry quality and selection effects are very important in LBG selection.

Photometry Comparison





LAE and Continuum Sample





Redshift Distribution





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