

# Imaging the high redshift universe with MICADO on the ELT

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- MICADO the Instrument
- ✤ Galaxy Evolution at high redshift
- ✤ Galactic Archaeology
- Spectroscopy





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# MICADO & MAORY

Stand-alone phase with just SCAO during initial operations.



Long term operation with MAORY (LGS-MCAO, & keeping SCAO).

MAORY: project led by INAF, uses 4-6 LGS and up to 3 NGS to provide uniform AO correction over full MICADO field.

-> talk by P. Ciliegi this afternoon



# Key Capabilities

MICADO will be used with the MAORY system to provide:

0.8-2.4µm with 30 broad/narrow filters 1.5 & 4mas pixels for 19" & 51" FoV at 6-12mas □ Imaging Similar sensitivity to JWST, and 6× better resolution 10-50µas precision anywhere in the field □ Astrometric imaging  $10\mu$ as/yr = 5km/s at 100 kpc after only a few years focal & pupil plane coronagraphs High Contrast angular differential imaging imaging small inner working angle for compact sources □ Spectroscopy fixed configuration for 0.84-1.48µm & 1.48-2.46µm R ~ 20000 for point sources (R ~ 10000 across slit)

#### Inside MICADO



189mm, 50.5" (4mas/pix), 19" (1.5mas/pix)

HRI High Resolution Imager 1.5 mas imager (4 fixed mirrors)

#### LRI



Low Resolution Imager 4 mas imager (2 flat fold mirrors)



#### SPE Spectroscopy (2 gratings)



PIM Pupil Imager (2 mirrors + 1 lens)

#### **MICADO Science Themes**

- Potential to address a large number of science topics
- Science Report focus is on themes where MICADO can make major progress:
  - Dynamics of dense stellar systems,
  - Black holes in galaxies and the centre of the Milky Way,
  - Formation and evolution of galaxies in the early universe,
  - Star formation history of galaxies through resolved stellar populations,
  - Planets and planet formation,
  - The solar system.

#### Galaxy Evolution with MICADO

HUDF 6 arcmin<sup>2</sup> ~120 log(M $_*/M_{\odot}$ )>9 z=1-4 ~6 log(M $_*/M_{\odot}$ )>11 z=1-4 ~12 z>8

GOODS-S 150 arcmin<sup>2</sup> ~3000 log(M<sub>\*</sub>/M<sub> $\odot$ </sub>)>9 z=1-4 ~150 log(M<sub>\*</sub>/M<sub> $\odot$ </sub>)>11 z=1-4 ~300 z>8

> MICADO 0.7 arcmin<sup>2</sup> ~15 log(M<sub>\*</sub>/M<sub> $\odot$ </sub>)>9 z=1-4 ~0.7 log(M<sub>\*</sub>/M<sub> $\odot$ </sub>)>11 z=1-4 ~1.5 z>8

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HUDF 2014 NASA Release 14-151 / STScI Release 2014-27

UV - V R - Y J - H

814 HST orbits, ACS+WFC3

#### Structure of high-z Galaxies

#### Spatial resolution

Order of magnitude gain in resolution from 1 kpc- to 100 pc-scale at z>1. 6-12 mas ~ 50-100 pc matches seeing limited scale for Virgo cluster galaxies.

- JWST will select samples & measure basic galaxy properties.
- MICADO will trace stellar continuum & provide detailed structure.

Synergies with ALMA, HARMONI, etc.



combined JHK images of local templates (BVR bands) shifted to z=2 (top) and z=1 (bottom), with  $R_{eff}$ =0.5" and  $M_V$ =-21; 5hrs integration.

# Structure of high-z Galaxies

gal21

IJH

10h

0.2"

1.5kpc

#### Key science drivers at z > 1

- Resolving disks, bulges, clumps. •
- Characterising SSCs.
- Resolving compact galaxies at z>
- Massive ETG progenitors in dens •
- QSO host properties.
- Structure of lensed galaxies on <
- The first galaxies. •
- Substructure of DM halos to ~10<sup>-1</sup>VI<sub>sun</sub>.

SimCADO simulations https://simcado.readthedocs.io

Based on HUDF source catalog with additional clump and cluster populations. MICADO, 10hrs each on IJH bands.

Cut-out size in main field:



Courtesy of N.M. Förster Schreiber

# Galaxy Evolution: Archaeology



#### Galaxy Evolution: Archaeology



## SCAO for initial operations - an example

The structure of lensed Lyman-α absorbers/emitters at 4 < z < 5 (courtesy of G. Caminha & K. Caputi)



Cluster CL0102 (El Gordo):

- 4 spectroscopically confirmed Ly $\alpha$  emitters/absorbers at z=4.3, within ~8" of a star with H<sub>AB</sub> = 15.6 mag & Gaia G = 15.9 mag. (Caminha et al. 2019)
- Even with lensing magnification, HST resolution of 90mas is insufficient to resolve morphology.



ID3-b Highest magnification of 10 Observed magnitude  $H_{AB} = 23.6$ 

# SCAO for initial operations - an example

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Question: can clumpy star-forming regions be resolved in ID3-b?

- SimCADO simulations: 2-hr integration of sources based on size & total flux in ID3-b.
- MICADO can easily distinguish clumpy and smooth distributions.
- Clumps with K<sub>AB</sub> < 29.5 can be detected for all sizes considered in range 3-600pc; small fainter clumps can also be detected.
- Lensing in ID3-b allows one to detect structures to 10-20pc scales in K-band.



# Sensitivity

• Depends on:

AO performance; nominal Strehl for MCAO 40% / 18% / 6% for K / H / J band ambient temperature (warm telescope; AO cooling) how flux is measured (e.g. aperture vs PSF fitting) source structure location in field for SCAO (note MCAO is uniform)

• Real numbers can vary by 1mag either way

	FWHM mas	1hr, б AB mag	5hr, <del>o</del> AB mag
Ks	11	28.2	29.0
Н	8	28.6	29.5
J	6	27.7	28.5



#### **Empirical vs Reconstructed PSF**

#### How many stars in the field?

- On average, ~3 stars / sq. arcmin for  $K_{AB}$  < 27 mag in classical deep fields.
- Would be well detected in integrations > 1 hr, so could be used as PSF reference (for MCAO).
- But MICADO field is 0.7 $arcmin^2$ , so 35-45% chance there is  $\leq 1$  star in a pointing.
- PSF reconstruction is mandatory and is part of MICADO project.



### Spectroscopy

#### Purpose

• Large simultaneous wavelength coverage at high spectral resolution, optimized for point sources.

#### Characteristics

- Fixed single configuration: order sorting filters switch between options of 1.48 - 2.46 μm, 1.15 – 1.35 μm, & 0.84 - 1.48 μm.
- Slit width: narrowest is 16mas (60µm);
- Slit length: 15" for HK and J-bands, 3" for IzJ band.
- Resolution: 10000 integrated across slit; 20000 for point sources.
- Operationally: default alignment along parallactic angle (ADC is after the slit); also option for user to choose position angle

# Spectral trace layout



#### MICADO and JWST

MICADO & JWST have similar sensitivity, but MICADO will resolve structures that JWST cannot detect.

*In* crowded fields, resolution gives an *effective* sensitivity gain of ~3mag wrt JW*ST*, *allowing* MICADO to probe regions where *JW*ST cannot reach.

MICADO will achieve astrometric measurements ~6 times faster, or for objects ~6 times more distant, than JWST.

# Summary



- MICADO will be a first light instrument for the ELT
- It will work with the MAORY adaptive optics system.
- It'll do imaging at 6-12mas resolution over a 50" field to J/H/K ~ 29 mag AB, R~20000 spectroscopy covering H & K simultaneously, (also astrometric & high contrast imaging).
- It'll use SCAO for initial operations, & MCAO, providing uniform correction over the field.
- It'll provide the user with a reconstructed PSF reference.
- Try out SimCADO and see what it can do for you.



