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EXPANDING THE SHIELD SAMPLE

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ALFALFA: Arecibo Legacy Fast ALFA

Large collecting area, small beam size*, high sensitivity

Over 30,000 cataloged sources

Designed to populate the <u>faint end of the HI mass function</u> in the local universe over a cosmologically significant volume

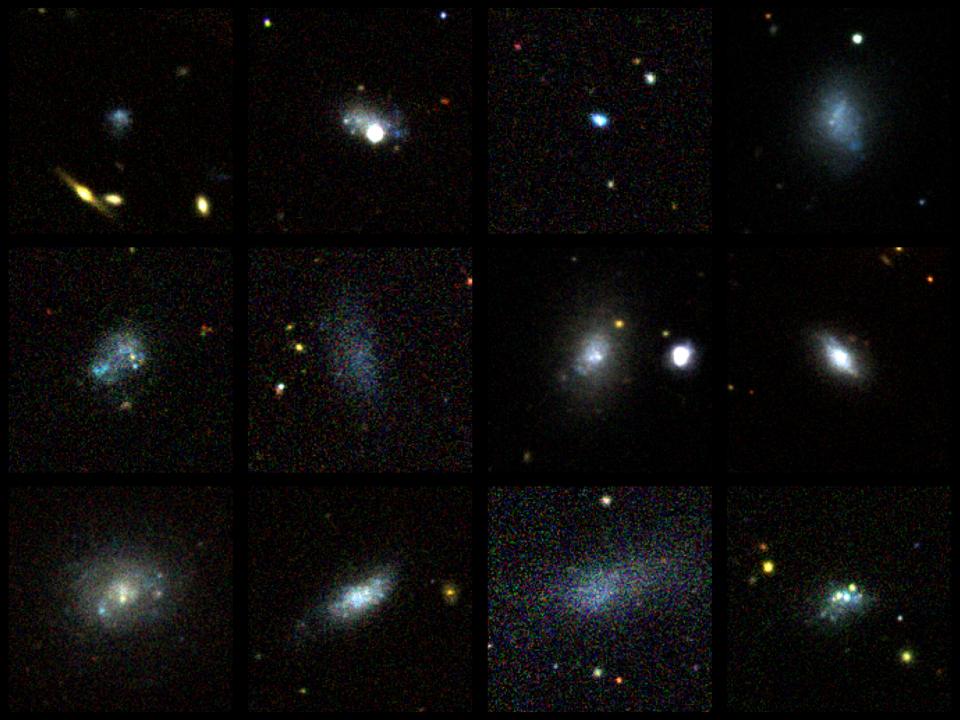
SHIELD II:Survey of HI in Extremely Low-mass Dwarfs II

Multiwavelength, detailed study of the properties of systems discovered/cataloged by ALFALFA with extremely small HI mass reservoirs (HI masses in the 10⁶-10⁷ M_☉ range)

Original SHIELD sample includes 12 systems

SHIELD II includes 22 additional systems

Full SHIELD sample now includes 82 total systems



SHIELD attempts to answer three fundamental science questions:

What properties change between mini-halos, very low-mass dwarf galaxies, and more massive systems?

Is the star formation process different in very low-mass dwarf galaxies?

What fraction of the mass in very low-mass dwarf galaxies is baryonic?

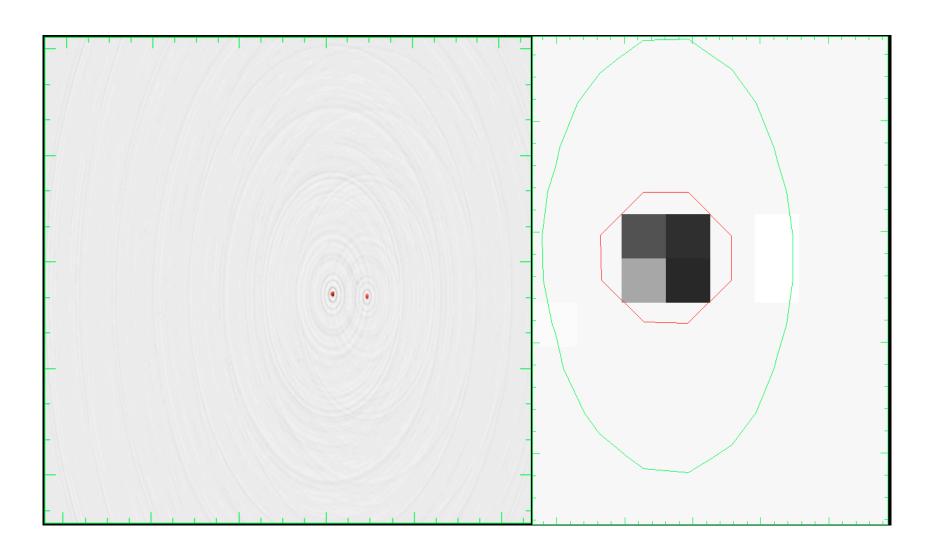
MULTIWAVELENGTH DATA SUITES

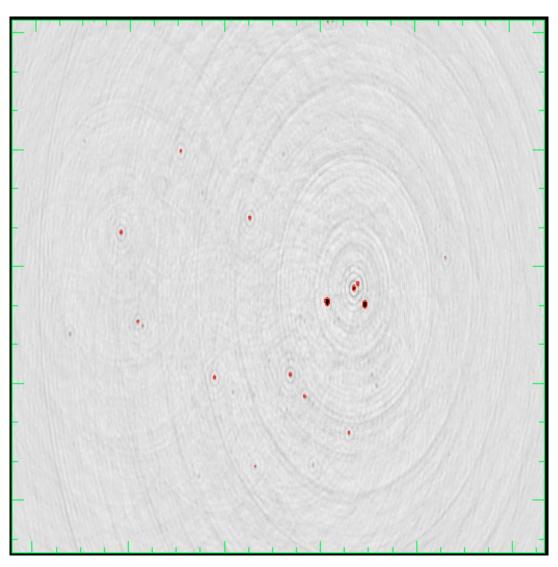
- Radio (21 cm)
 - Westerbork Synthesis Radio Telescope (WSRT)
 - Arecibo Observatory
- Optical
 - Hubble Space Telescope (HST)
 - Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS)
- Far Ultraviolet (FUV)
 - Galaxy Evolution Explorer (GALEX)

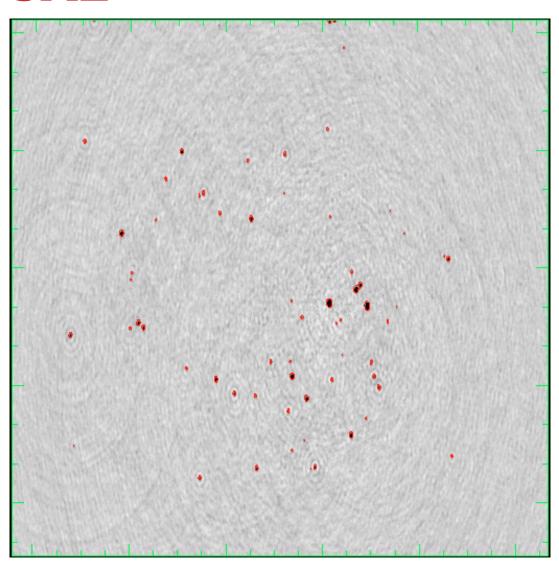
Westerbork Synthesis Radio Telescope

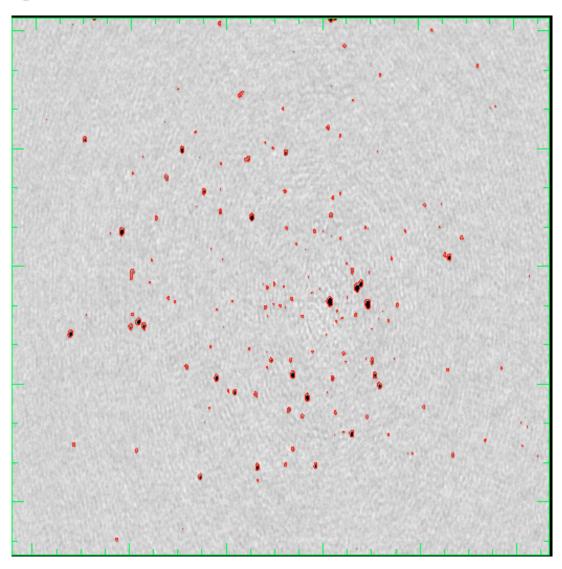


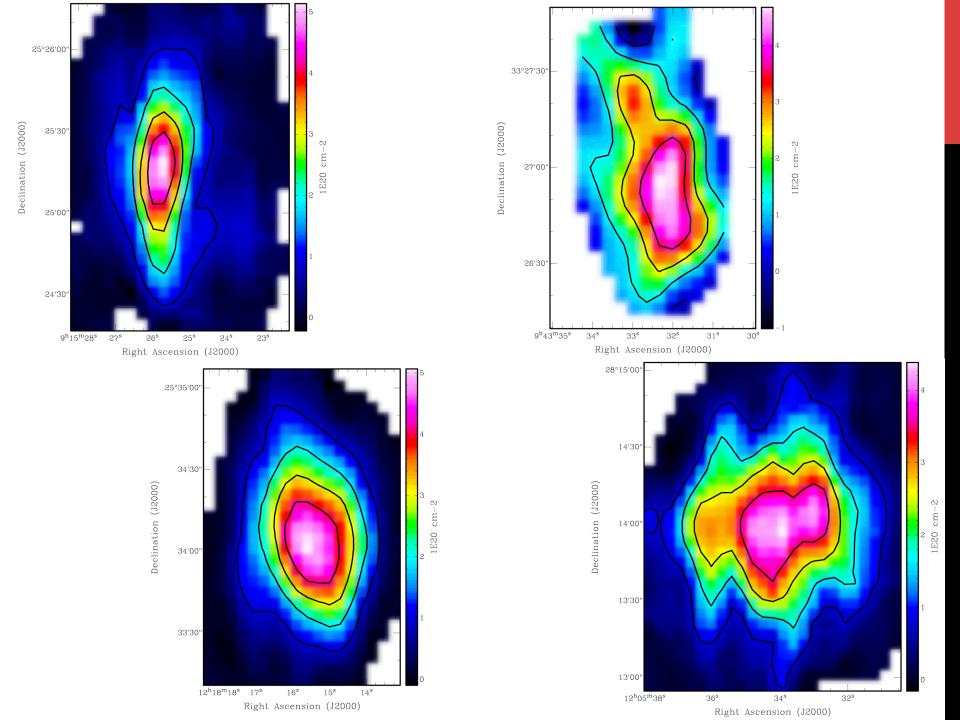
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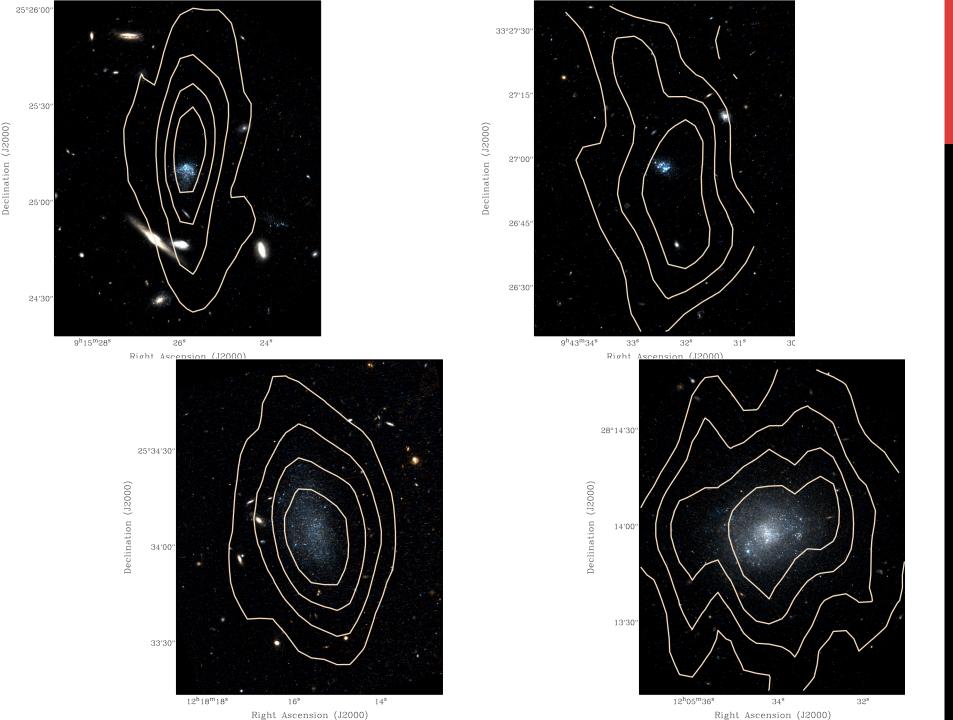


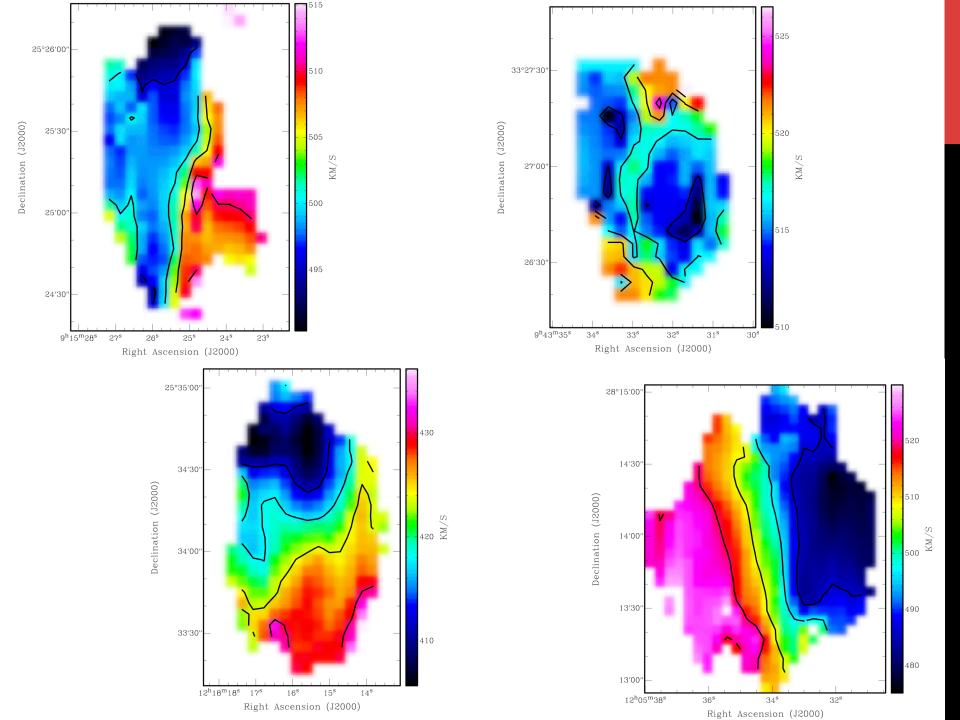




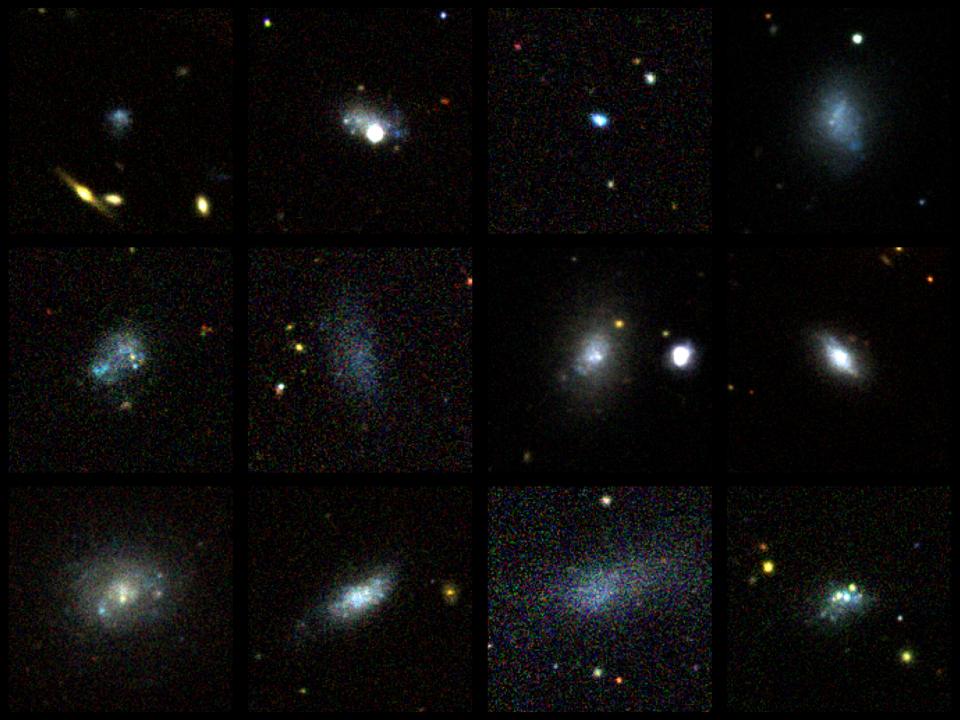


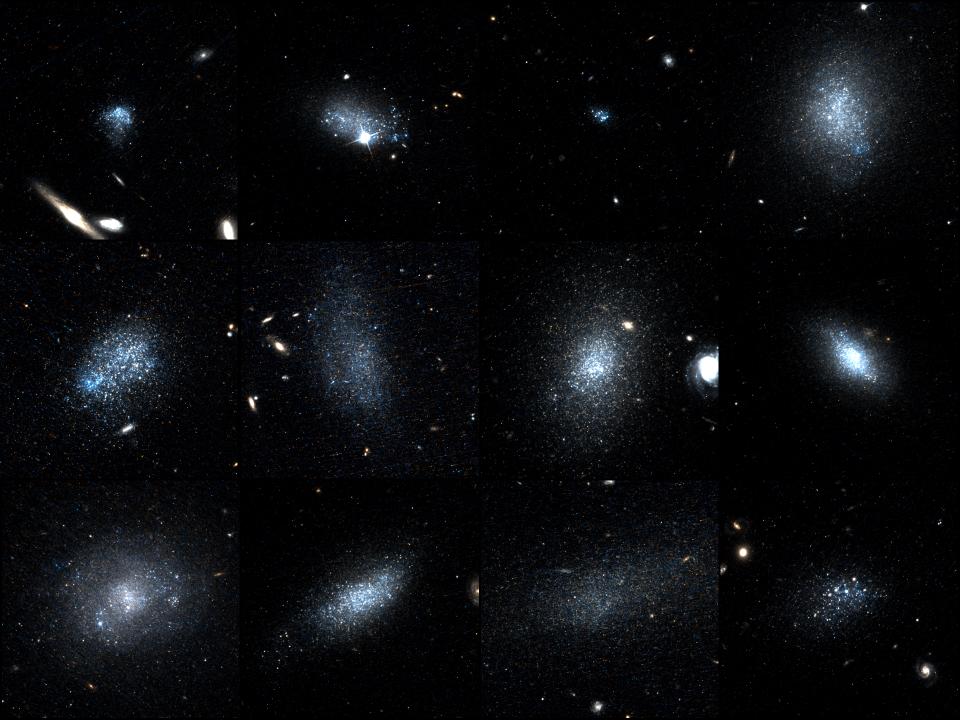


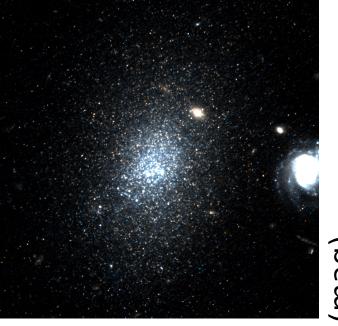




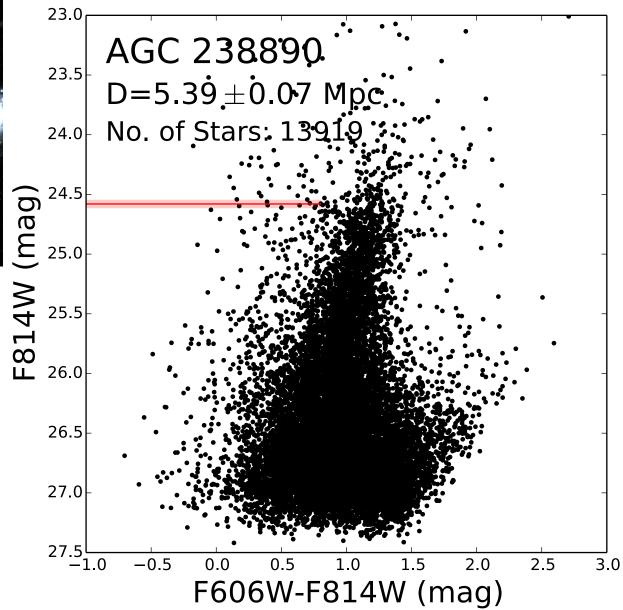
Hubble Space Telescope







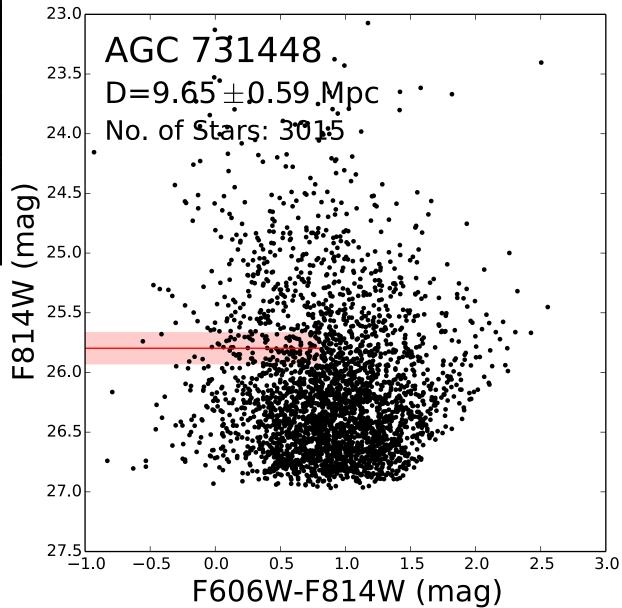
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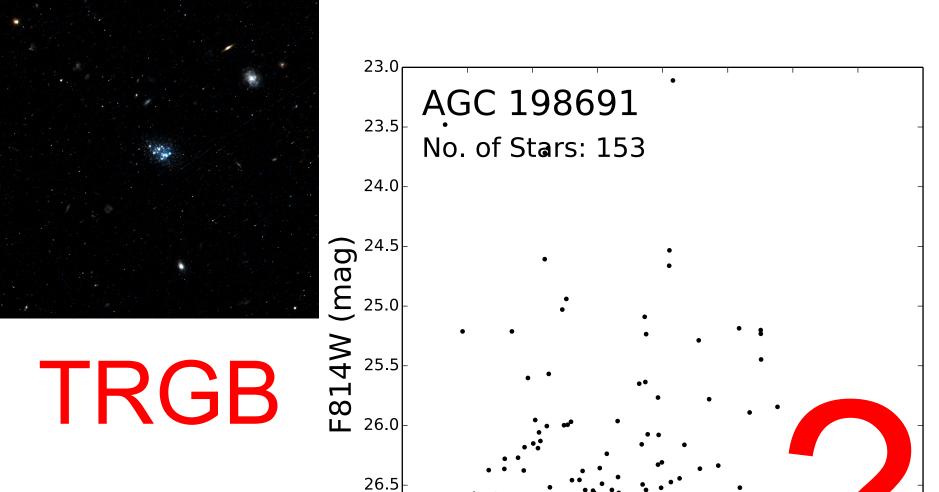
McQuinn et al.



TRGB



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27.5 -1.0

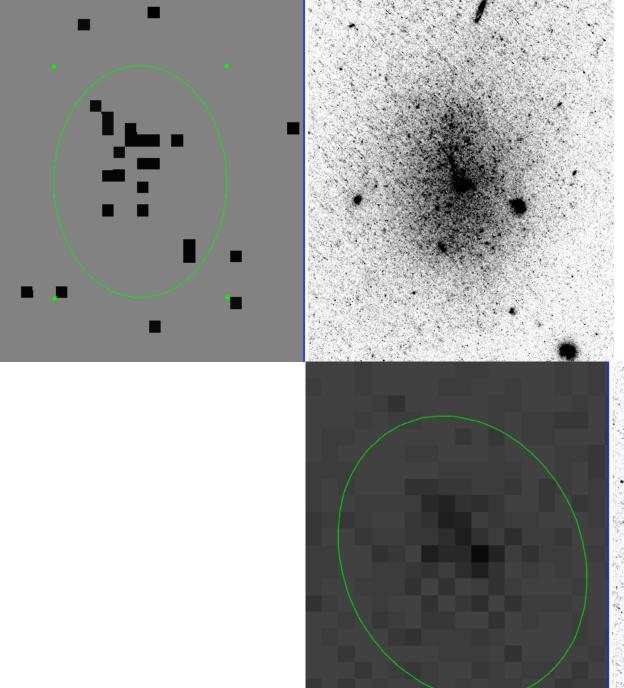
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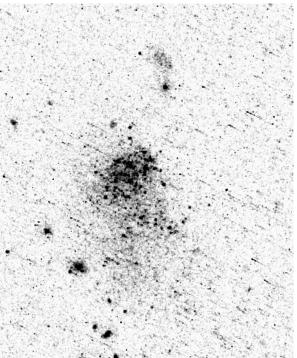
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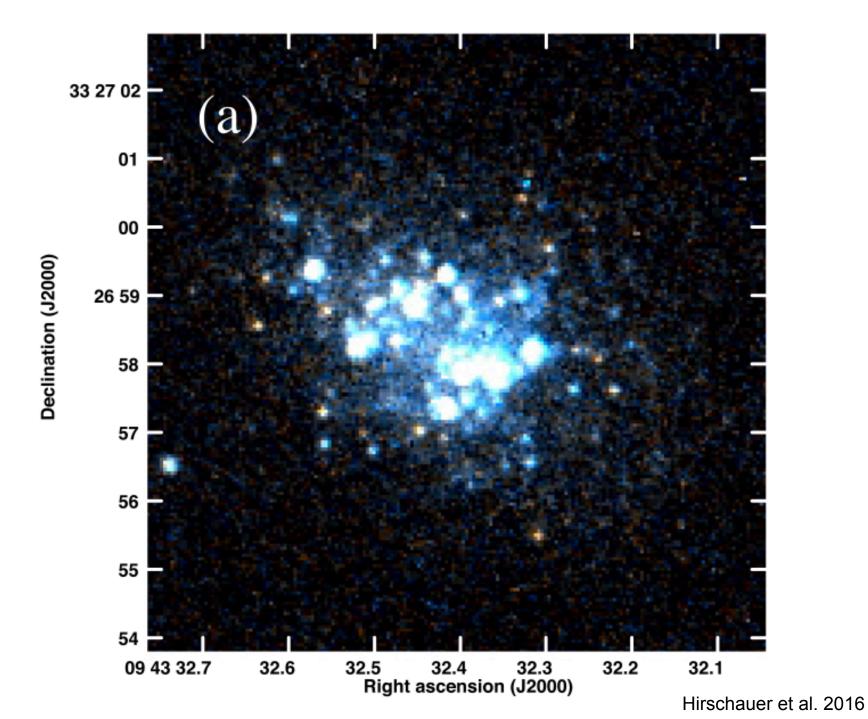
Galaxy Evolution Explorer

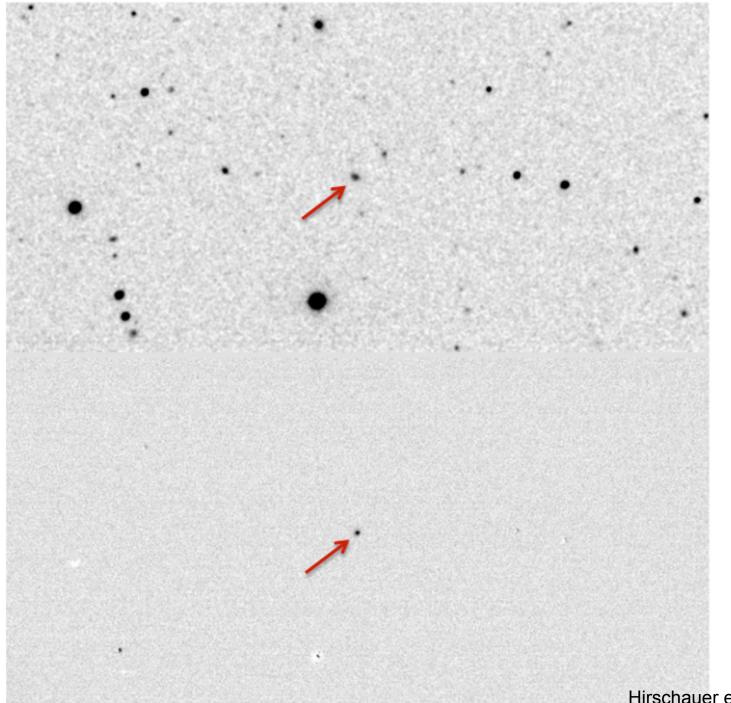


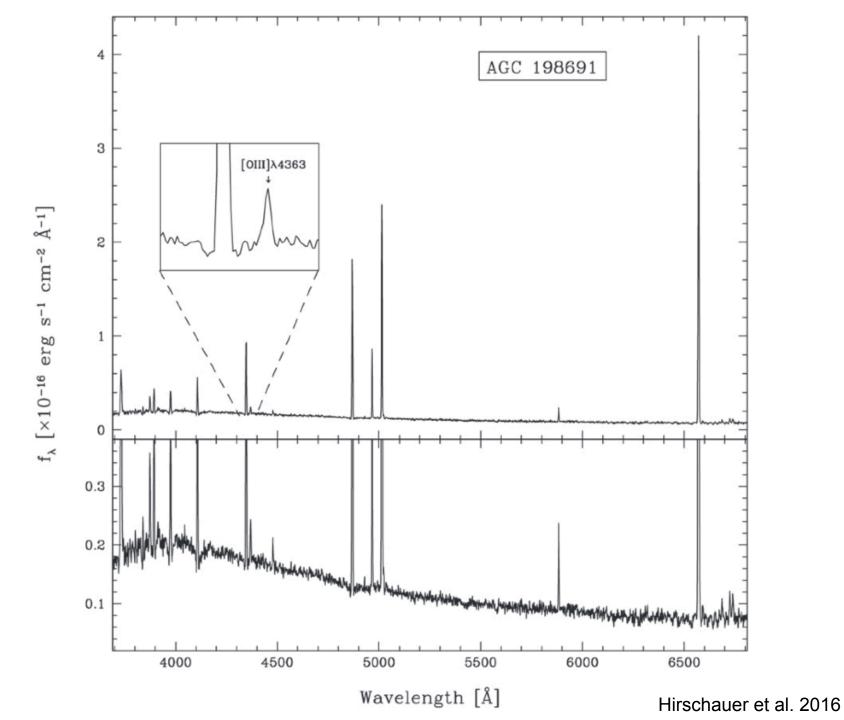
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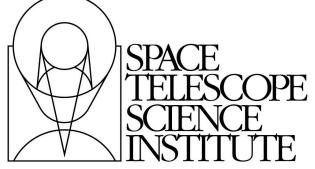




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