Euclid as a driver for a MegaCam survey of the northern sky

Elements of information for a Canada-France Imaging Survey

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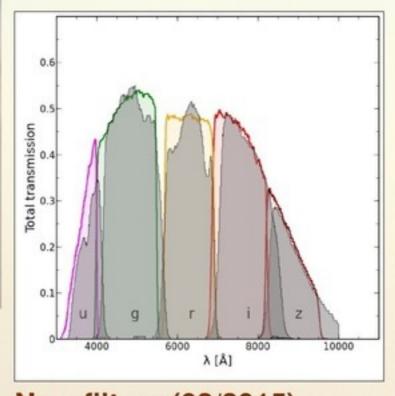


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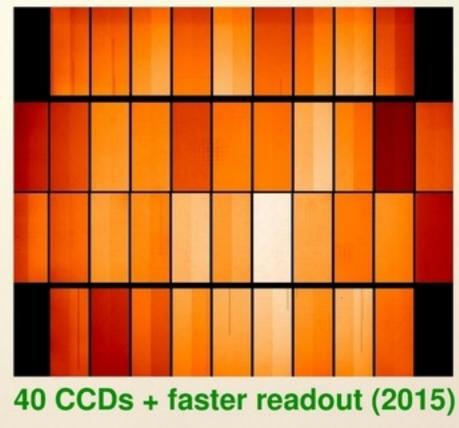
MegaCam and CFHT upgrades : all operational by 2015



Dome venting (since 02/2014)



New filters (02/2015)



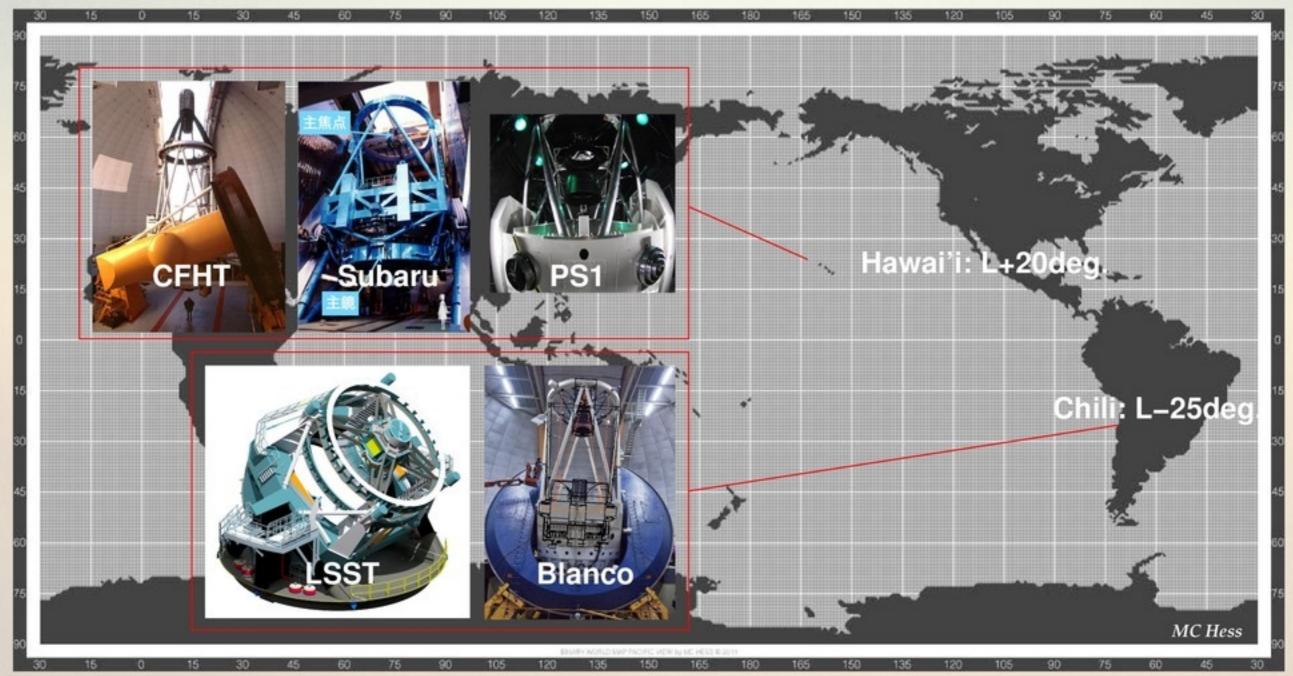
Dome venting: active since Feb.2014, confirms prediction 0.1" gain (similar to Subaru)

New filters: duplicate of DECam (DES) filters properties, all delivered in 2014

Readout of all original 40 CCDs (vs central 36): +10% in survey mapping speed Faster readout: goal of 30s vs current 50s of exposure to exposure overhead

To be added to the extensive expertise of the instrument (CFHTLS/NSLS/CFHTLenS/NGVS)

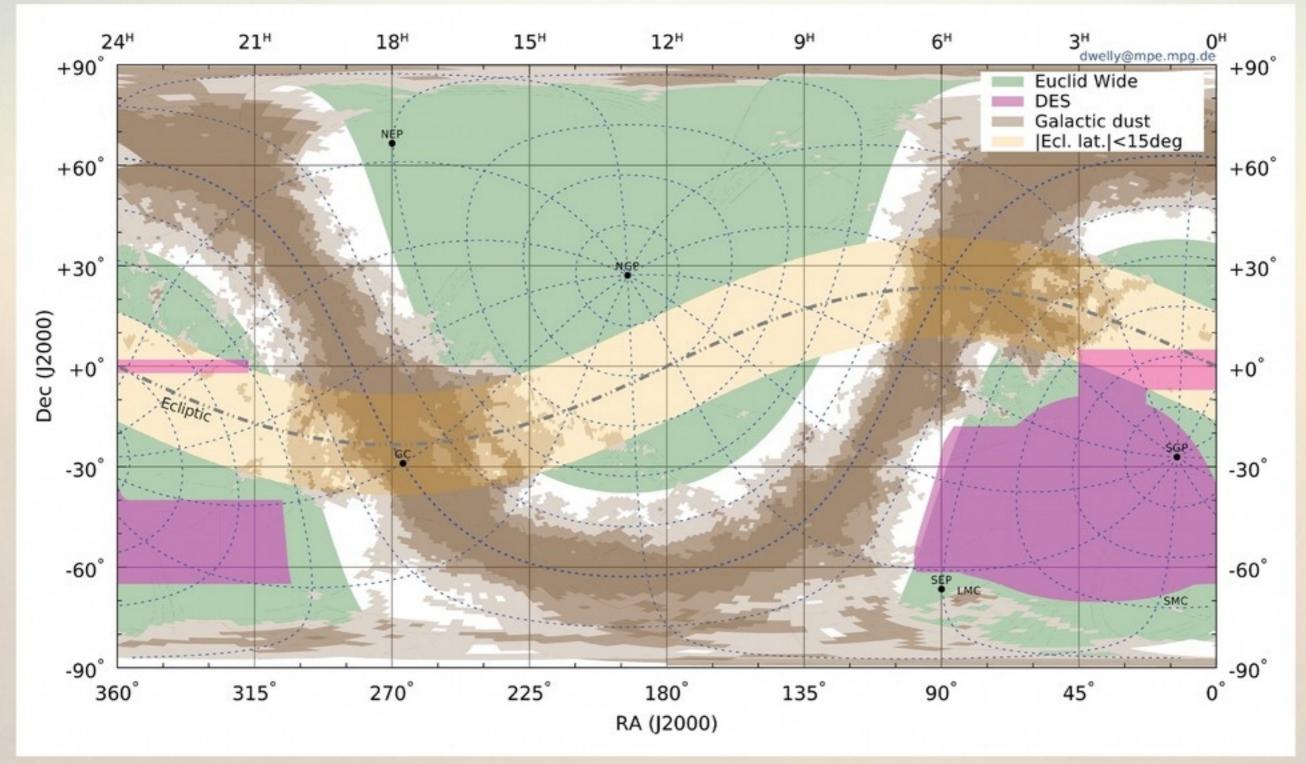
The "competition": present and upcoming WFIs that matter



| Facility | Year | Aper. | FOV | IQ | CCD class | Type | Hemisphere |
|----------|------|-------|------------|------|----------------|-------------|------------|
| LSST | 2022 | 6.6m | 10 sq.deg. | 0.8" | Deep depletion | Surveyor | South |
| Subaru | 2014 | 8.2m | 2 sq.deg. | 0.6" | Fully depleted | Observatory | North |
| Blanco | 2013 | 4.0m | 3 sq.deg. | 0.9" | Fully depleted | Observatory | South |
| CFHT | 2003 | 3.6m | 1 sq.deg. | 0.6" | EPI | Observatory | North |
| PS1 | 2008 | 1.5m | 7 sq.deg. | 1.0" | Fully depleted | Surveyor | North |

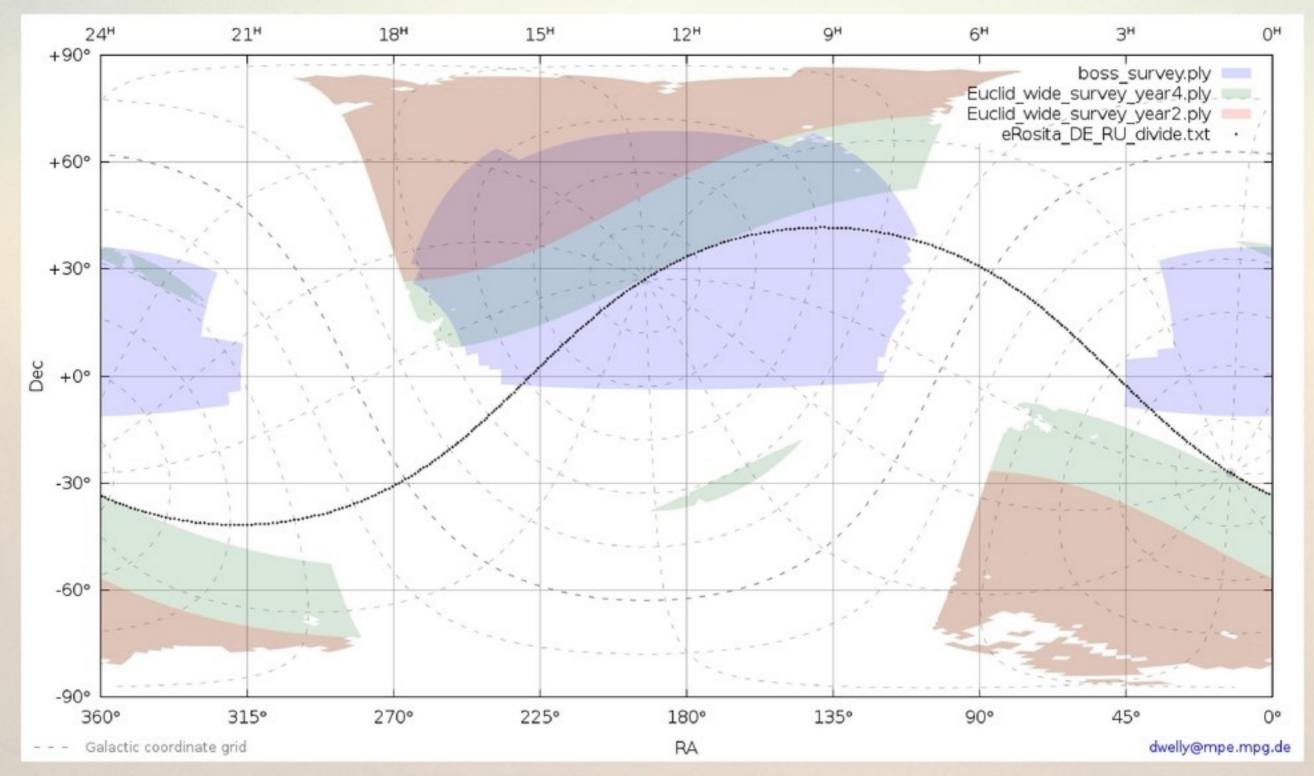
CFHT truly unique niche: combo{bluer bands, image quality, northern sky, large sky area}

A wide optical ground-based survey: Euclid "4th" instrument



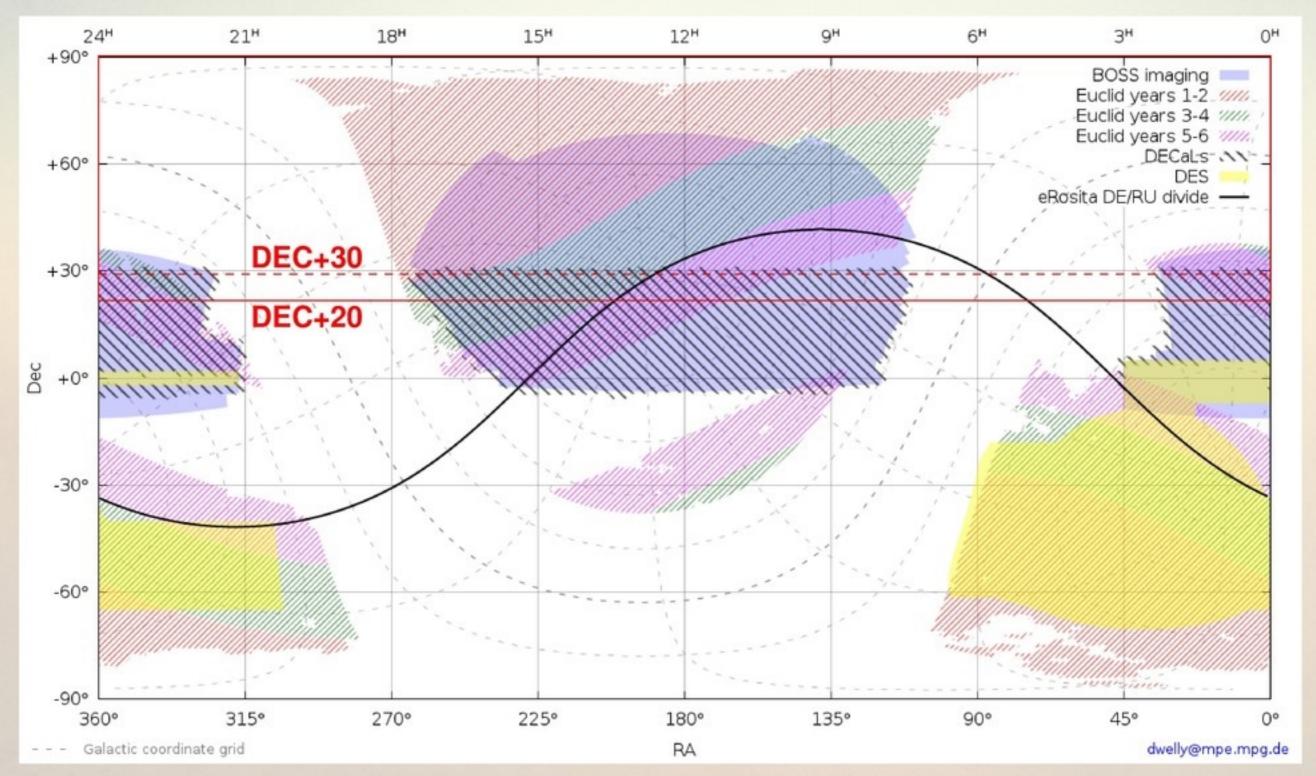
The Euclid survey covers ~15,000 square degrees, avoiding the galactic and ecliptic planes

Euclid requirement from L2: start from the ecliptic poles



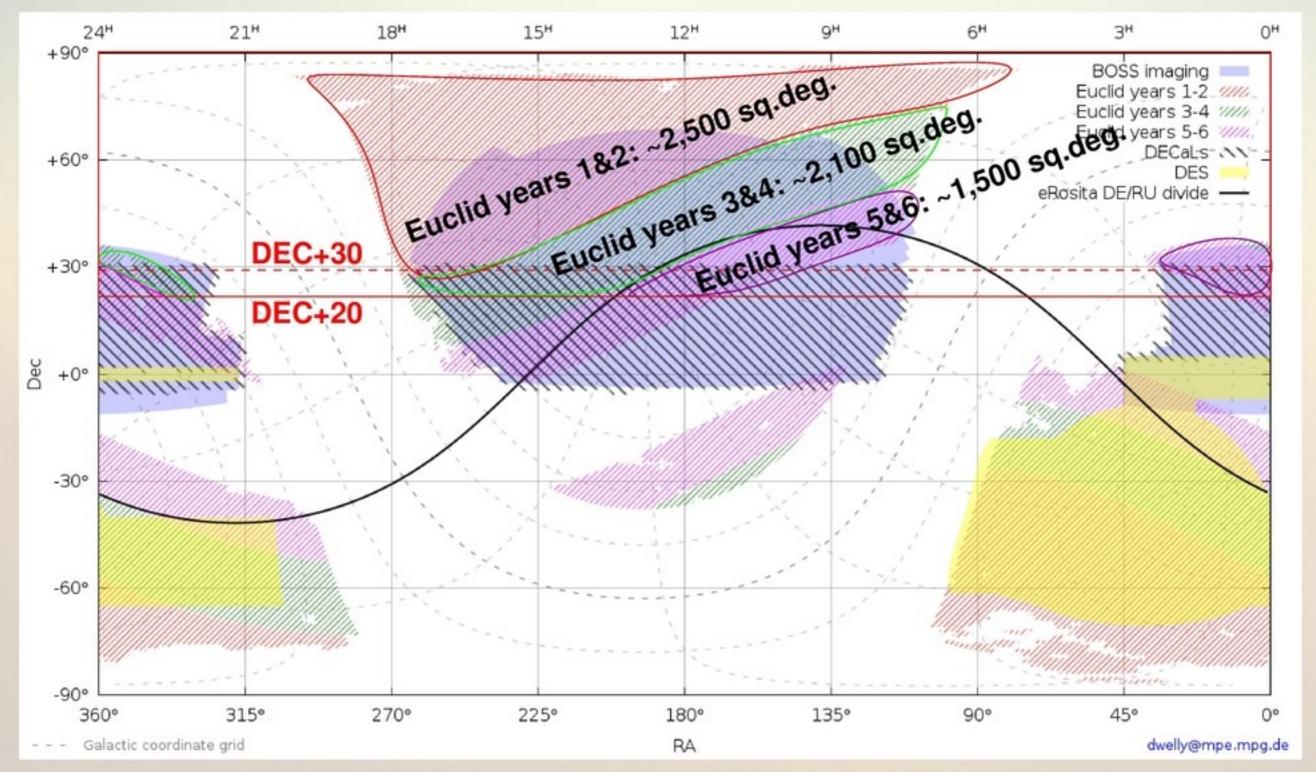
Every 2 years, for 6 years of mission, Euclid will cover 2,500 sq. deg. in each hemisphere

Euclid and CFHT: focus where LSST and/or DECam can't go



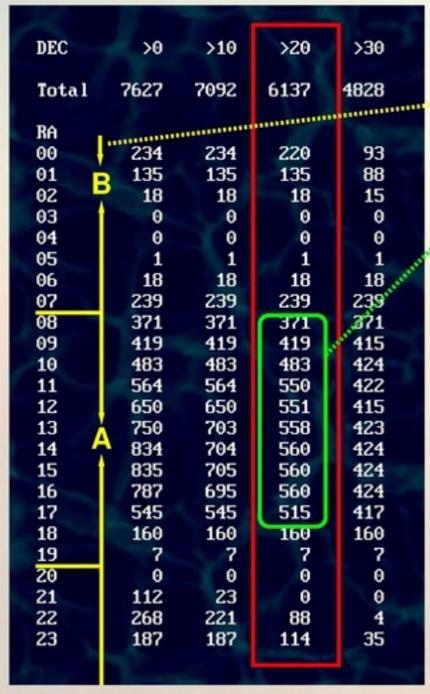
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Euclid incremental northern sky coverage seen from CFHT



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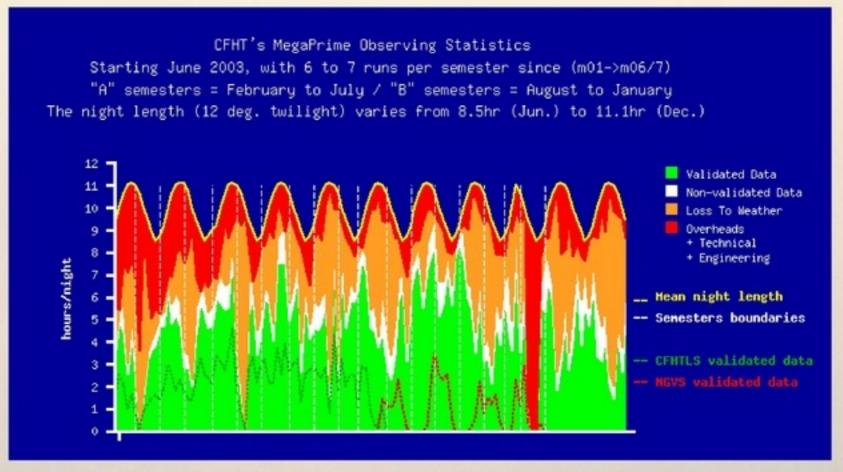
Euclid RA pressure and weather conditions on Mauna Kea



RA pressure vs DEC cut

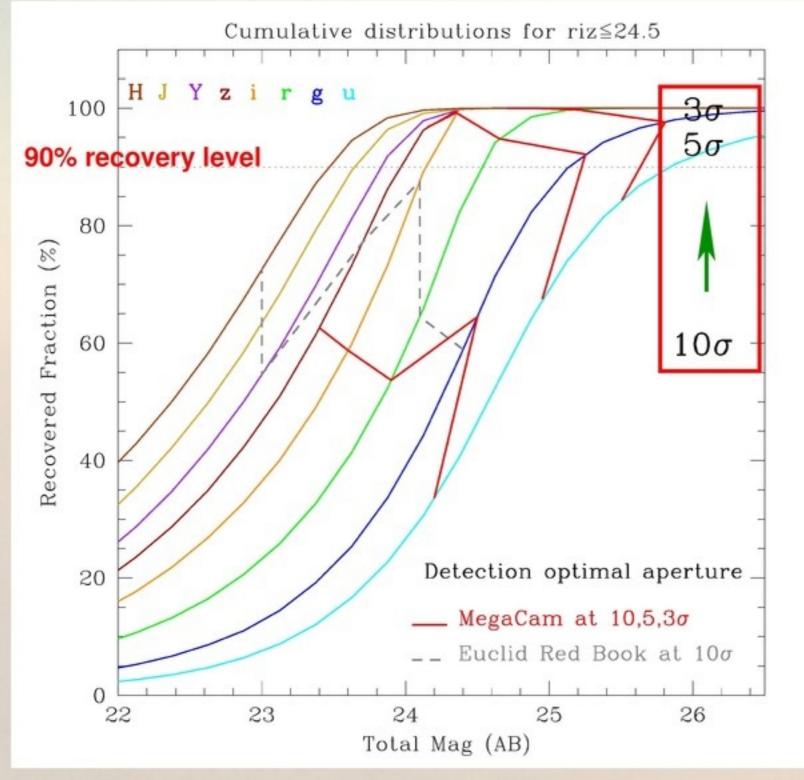
A/B semester boundaries vs LST=RA at midnight (maximal visibility throughout a night for the given RA)

winter+spring: adopt current night efficiency of 5.5hr/night and count on faster MegaCam + better observing efficiency



2003–14 MegaCam observing statistics: avg. = 4.7 hr/night

Depths needed for Euclid: needs matching approach



The depths at 10-sigma, extended:

$$u = 24.2$$

$$g = 24.5$$

$$r = 23.9$$

$$i = 23.6$$

$$z = 23.4$$

Color optimized photometric extraction

The depths at 5-sigma, point source:

$$u = 25.1$$

$$g = 25.4$$

$$r = 24.8$$

$$i = 24.5$$

$$z = 24.3$$

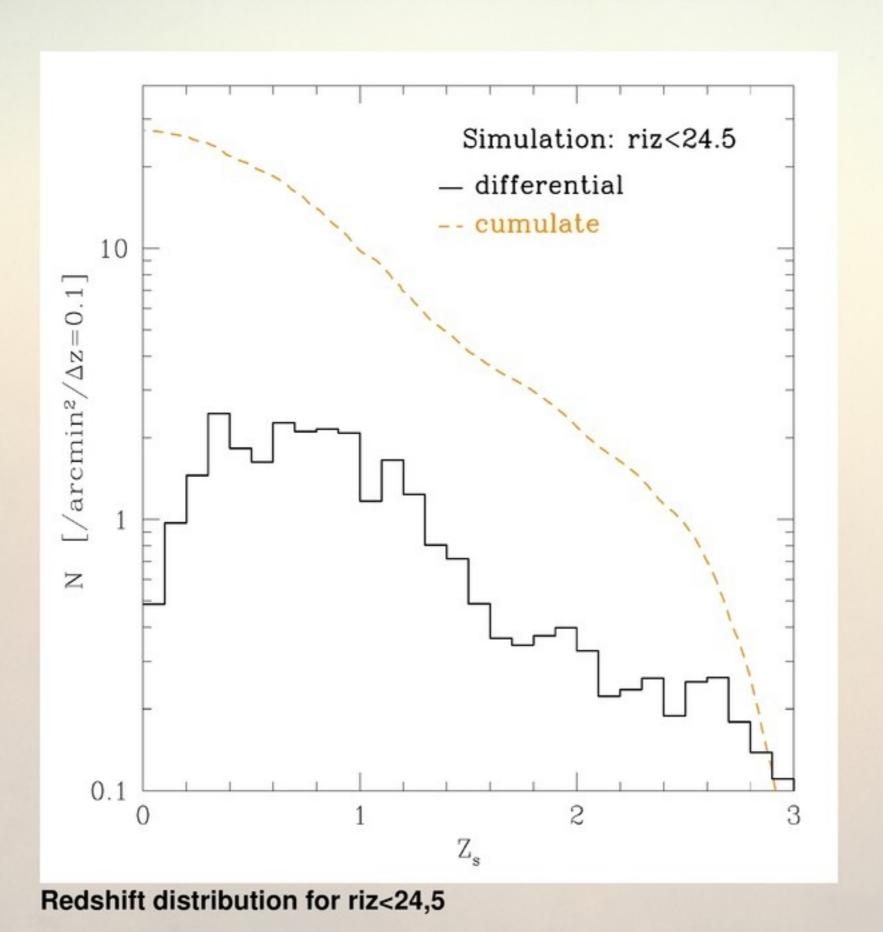
PSF fitting photometric extraction

~1 mag. shallower vs CFHTLS-Wide

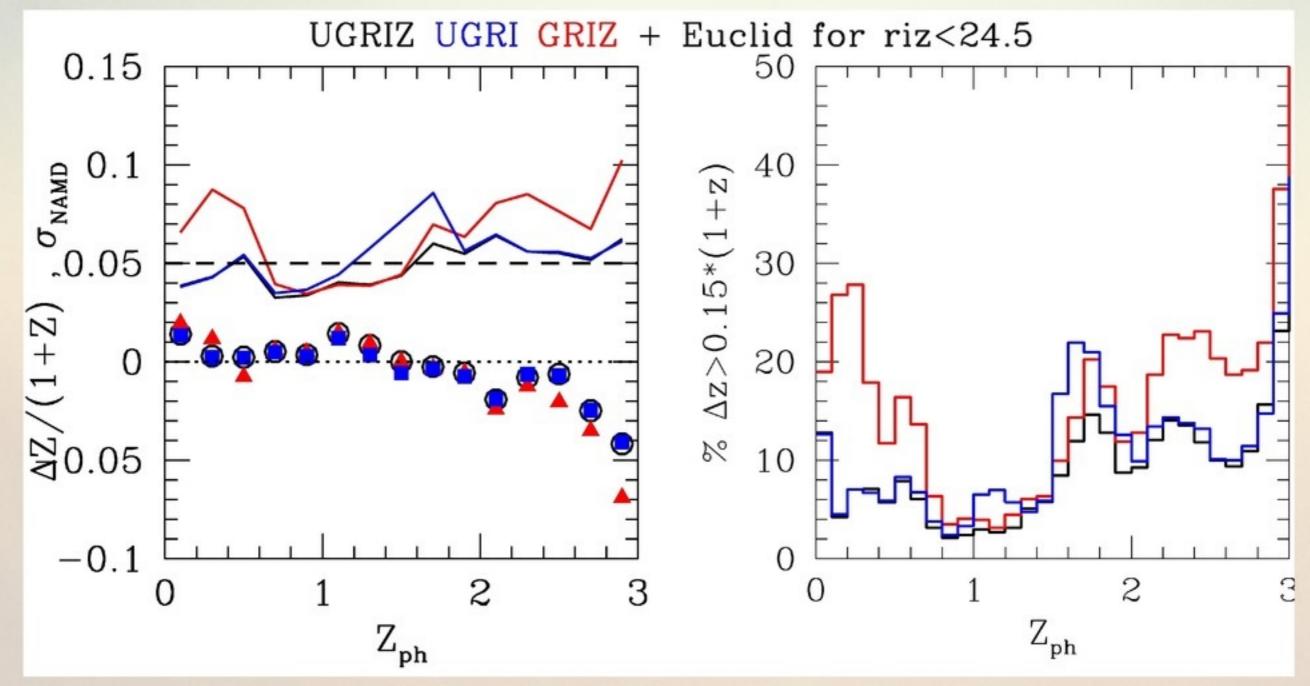
2+ mag. deeper vs PS1-3Pi / Sloan

Depth based on 90% recovery at 6-sigma, extended (except for u-band, set for u-g=-0.3 mag)

Redshifts distribution in the COSMOS field for the Euclid galaxies

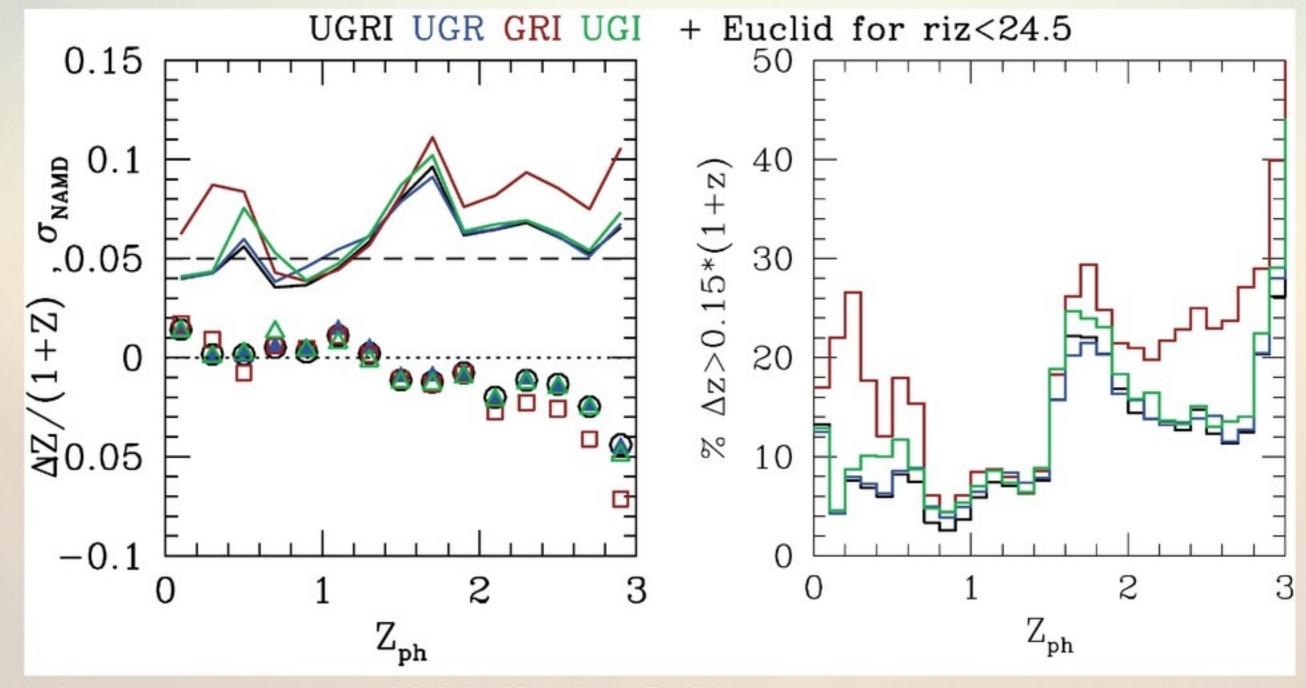


Photometric redshifts quality with different filters: 4 bands vs 5



Left: photo-z accuracy vs redshift for MegaCam+Euclid Right: the catastrophic fractions

Photometric redshifts quality with different filters: 3 bands vs 4



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Deriving a time budget with MegaCam: optimal color extraction

Common parameters to the three cases:

- Dithering: 3 exposures per filter
- Euclid footprint DEC>+20 = 6,100 square degrees
- Grey time: 50% of g and 100% r-bands (resp. x2.0 x1.5 dark time integration)
- Average QSO validation time per night = current norm (5.5hr/night)
- Use modal IQ for planning: survey will use dynamic integration (SNR QSO)

MegaCam 2003–2014 = no elements of upgrade

MegaCam 40 CCDs = survey mapping boost (+10%) + faster readout (30s vs 50s)

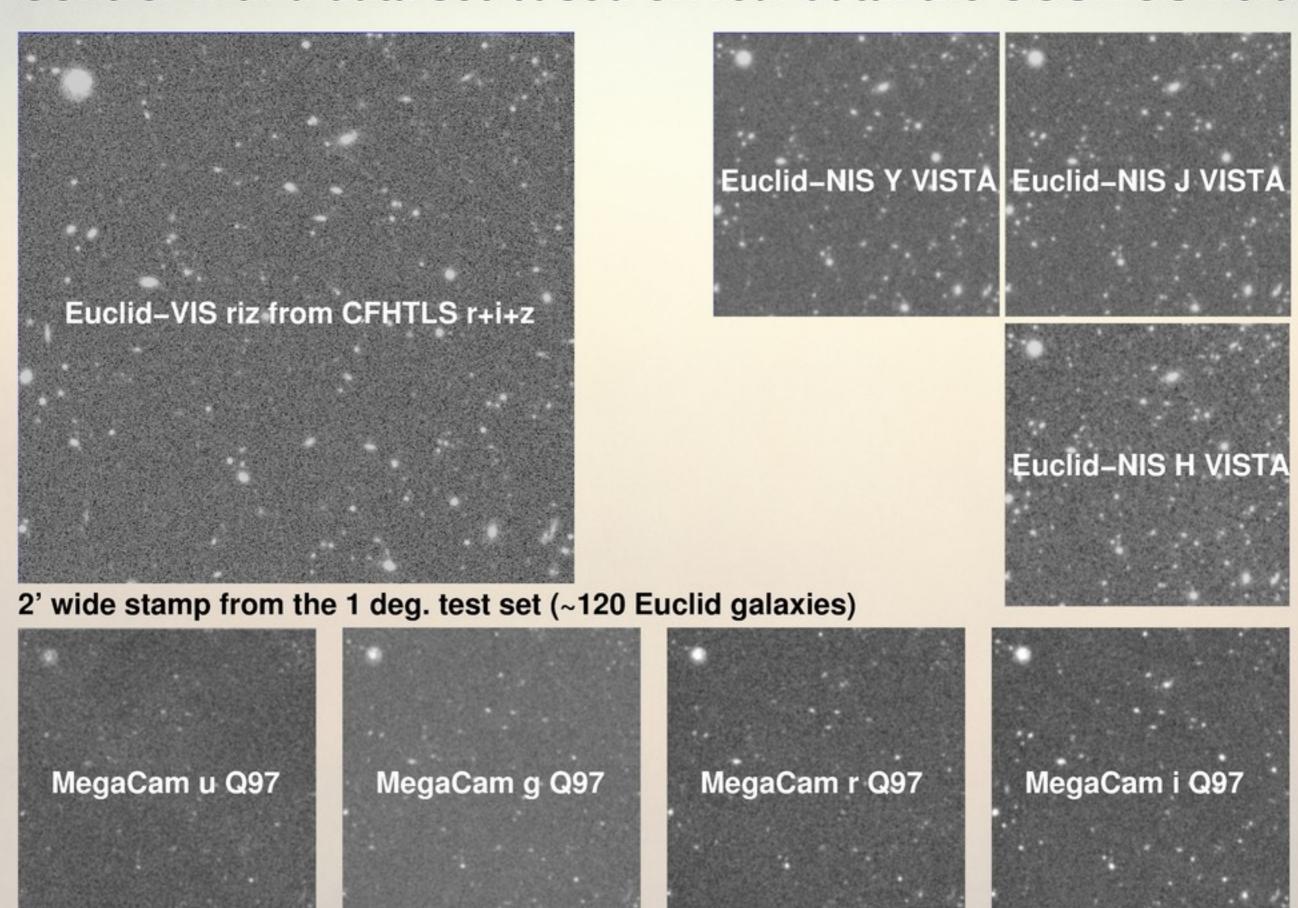
MegaCam Full Opt. + exposure scaling with new filters (+5%) + dome venting (0.1")

| | u | g | r | i | ugr | ugi | ugri |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------|----------|----------|
| MegaCam 2003-2014 | 544 | 628 | 562 | 552 | | | 2286/889 |
| MegaCam 40 CCDs | 544 | 628 | 562 | 552 | 1734/561 | 1724/559 | 2286/741 |
| MegaCam Full Opt. | 438 | 527 | 456 | 460 | 1421/474 | 1425/475 | 1881/628 |

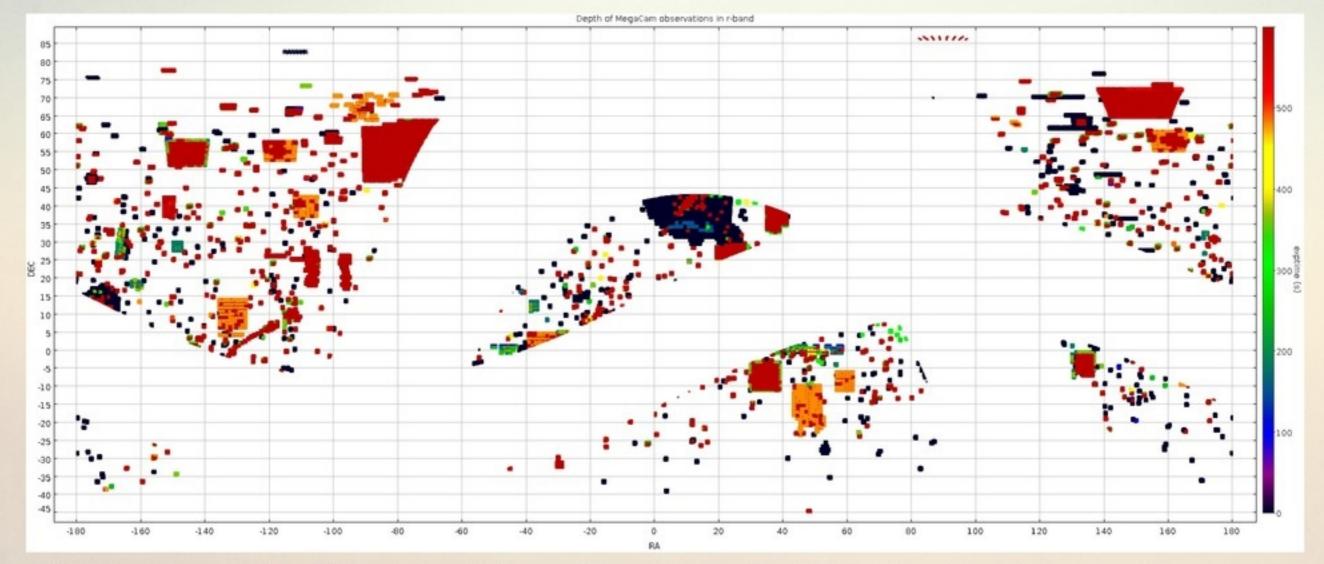
Center: time needed to reach the desired depth using an aperture optimized for color derivation Right: total integration per filter set, and total number of nights* needed (pending sky controls) * #nights (2nd and 3rd cases) = ((etimes+readouts)/3600) x (6100/1.1) / 5.5

The upgraded MegaCam performance still need to be confirmed (starts fall 2014)
The various assumptions are tested now on a real data set (real pixels to photo-z)

Control with a data set based on real data: the COSMOS field



12 years of MegaCam archiving help reducing the time request



r-band archive vs Euclid footprint (color coding with depth, dark = other bands)

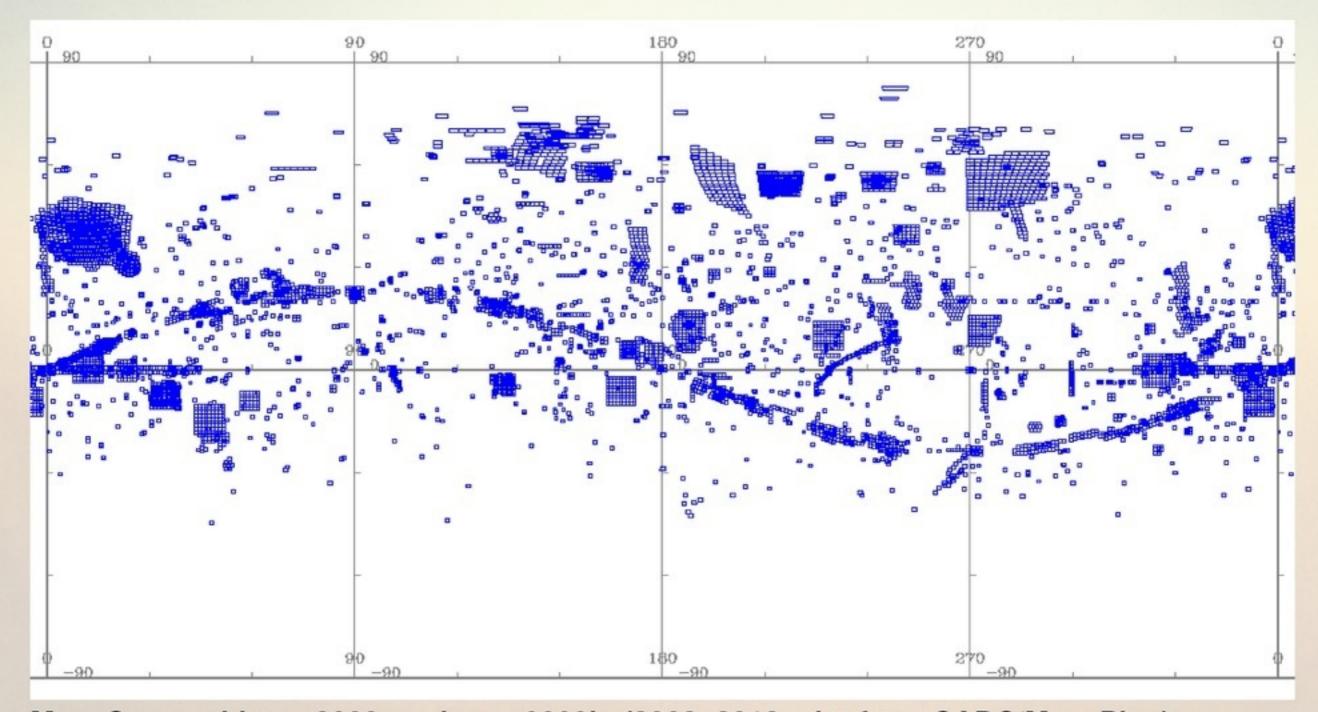
On average the archive covers 15% of the Euclid needs in ugri (6/16/21/14% resp.)

The archive will soon be fully reprocessed using the CFHTLS/SNLS recipes

The LUAU large program (350hr) will bring a useful fraction of u-band data

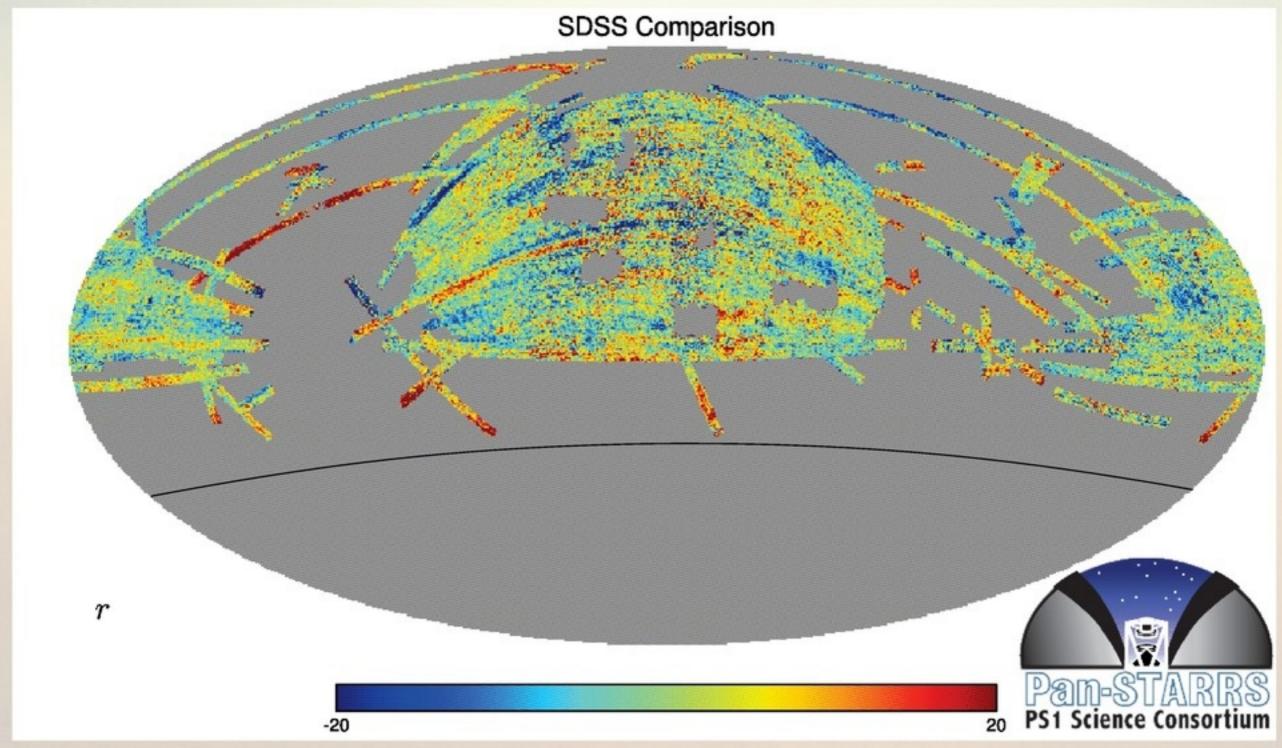
Pre-survey with the old filters could further patch the archive (vs full re-observing)

The NGVS: first in line with the CFHTLS for global reprocessing



MegaCam archive: ~8000 sq.deg., ~9000h, (2003-2012, plot from CADC/MegaPipe)

True absolute <1% photometric calibration: Pan-STARRS1 3Pi



3Pi survey (grizY, DEC +90 to -30) shows systematic SDSS structures (source E. Magnier)

France and the Euclid & DESI missions



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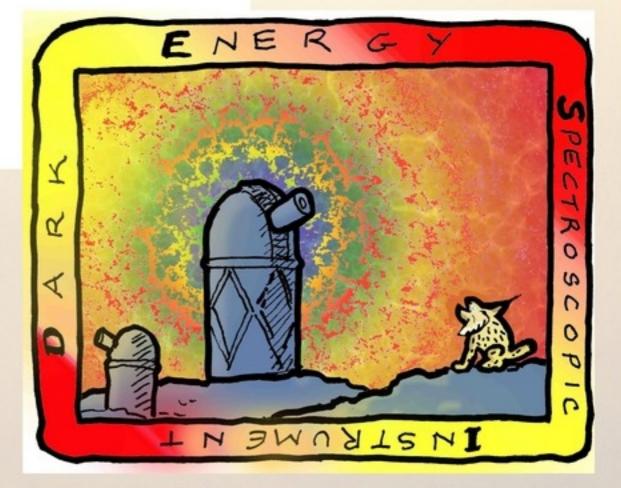
CNES/INSU/IN2P3: massive French undertaking

Launch: 2020

CFIS data would not flow to those collaborations

Euclid is interested in photometric redshifts

DESI is interested in target selection (color cuts)



CEA-SPP, LAM: tens of people

First light: 2019

Engaging the Canadian community



Wide-field astronomy meetings held in Waterloo, Toronto, Victoria, Vancouver (Oct. 2014)

Milestones for a Canada-France Imaging Survey (ex-NSLS)

May 2014: CFHT SAC hinted a call for community surveys

June 2014: CFIS workshops in Paris (IAP coupled to SF2A, 2nd/3rd PM)

Oct. 2014: CFIS gets a top priority for implementation at the INSU prospective

Oct. 2014: CFIS Canada meetings (Waterloo, Toronto, Victoria, Vancouver)

Nov. 2014: CFHT SAC recommends a call for surveys?

Dec. 2014: CFHT board approves a call for community surveys or large programs

Feb. 2015: CFIS letter of intention to CFHT

Sep. 2015: Proposal submission to CFHT

Dec. 2015: Surveys selection (SPIRou/MegaCam/WIRCam/Espadons/Sitelle?)

Feb. 2017: Surveys start



- By 2015, we now know CFHT will be the best imager it has ever been
- MegaCam is unique in the world: u-band, image quality, northern sky
- CFHT competitive for very wide medium-deep surveys (vs HSC, PS1)
- A large survey is a scientific opportunity for the C–F community
- A Sloan type autonomous survey is in reach (regardless of Euclid)
- If we do not use the CFHT survey time, someone else will