



**ALMA observations of  
 $z > 6.5$  quasar hosts:**

**Massive galaxy formation in  
the epoch of reionisation**

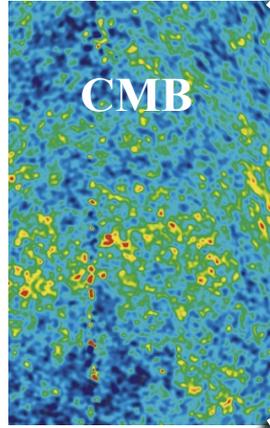
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# The Epoch of Reionisation

Recombination

Epoch of Reionisation:  
first luminous sources

Now



CMB

Dark  
Ages

First Light

Today

0 yrs

400,000 yrs

400 million yrs

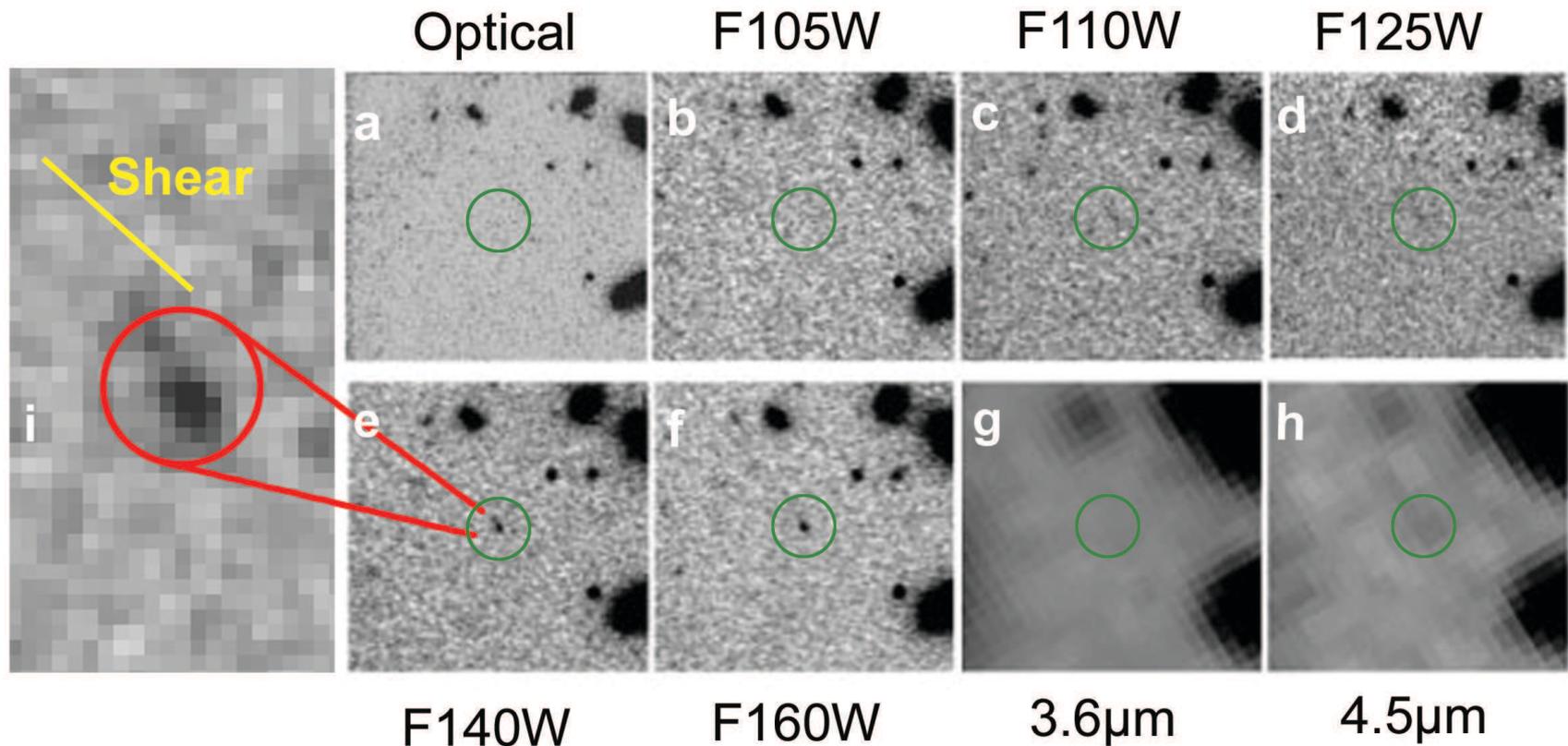
13.7 billion yrs

Time after Big Bang →

# Background

- When did the first galaxies and black holes form and what were their characteristics?
- Tremendous progress in discovering galaxies out to  $z > 10$  (e.g. Bouwens+ 11,12,13; Mclure+ 10,11,13; Oesch+ 12,13; Ouchi+ 09,10; Zheng+ 12)
- Hard to study these galaxies in detail with current facilities

# Example: MACS1149-JD at $z \sim 9.6$ (Zheng+ 12)

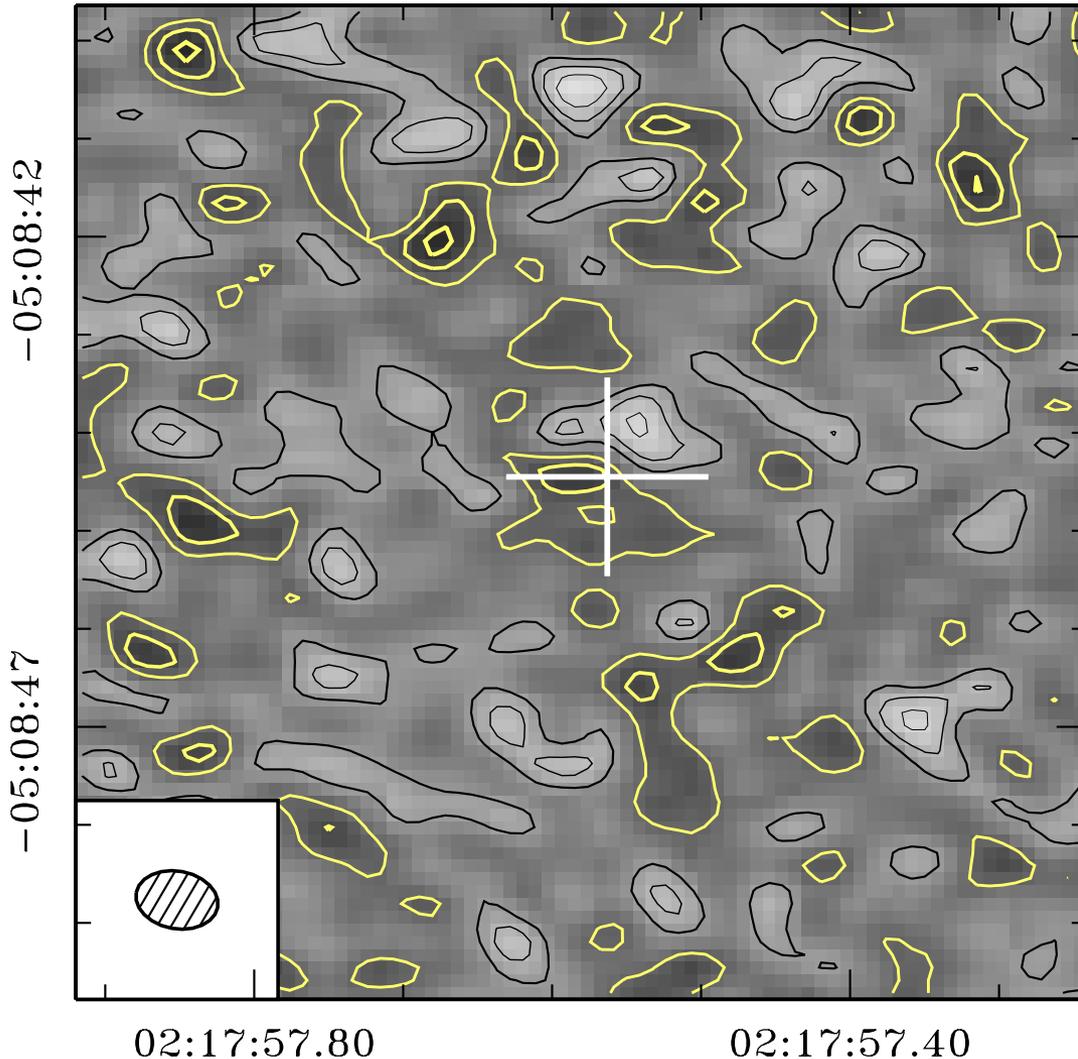


Follow-up faint sources difficult

Even getting redshifts is challenging...

“Himiko” at  $z=6.595$ :  $\text{SFR}_{\text{UV}} \sim 100 M_{\text{sun}}/\text{yr}$

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Cycle 0 (16 ant.)



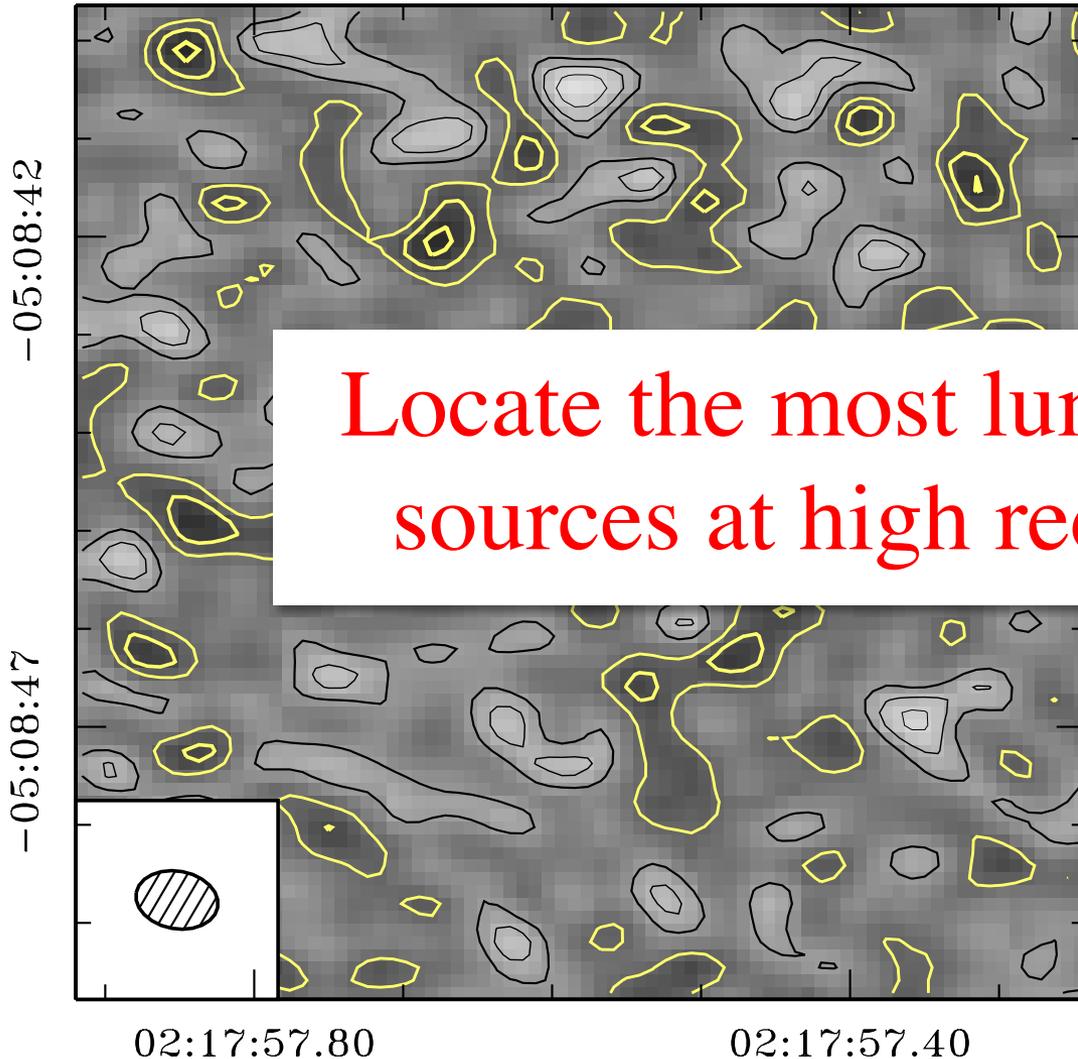
Ouchi+ 2013

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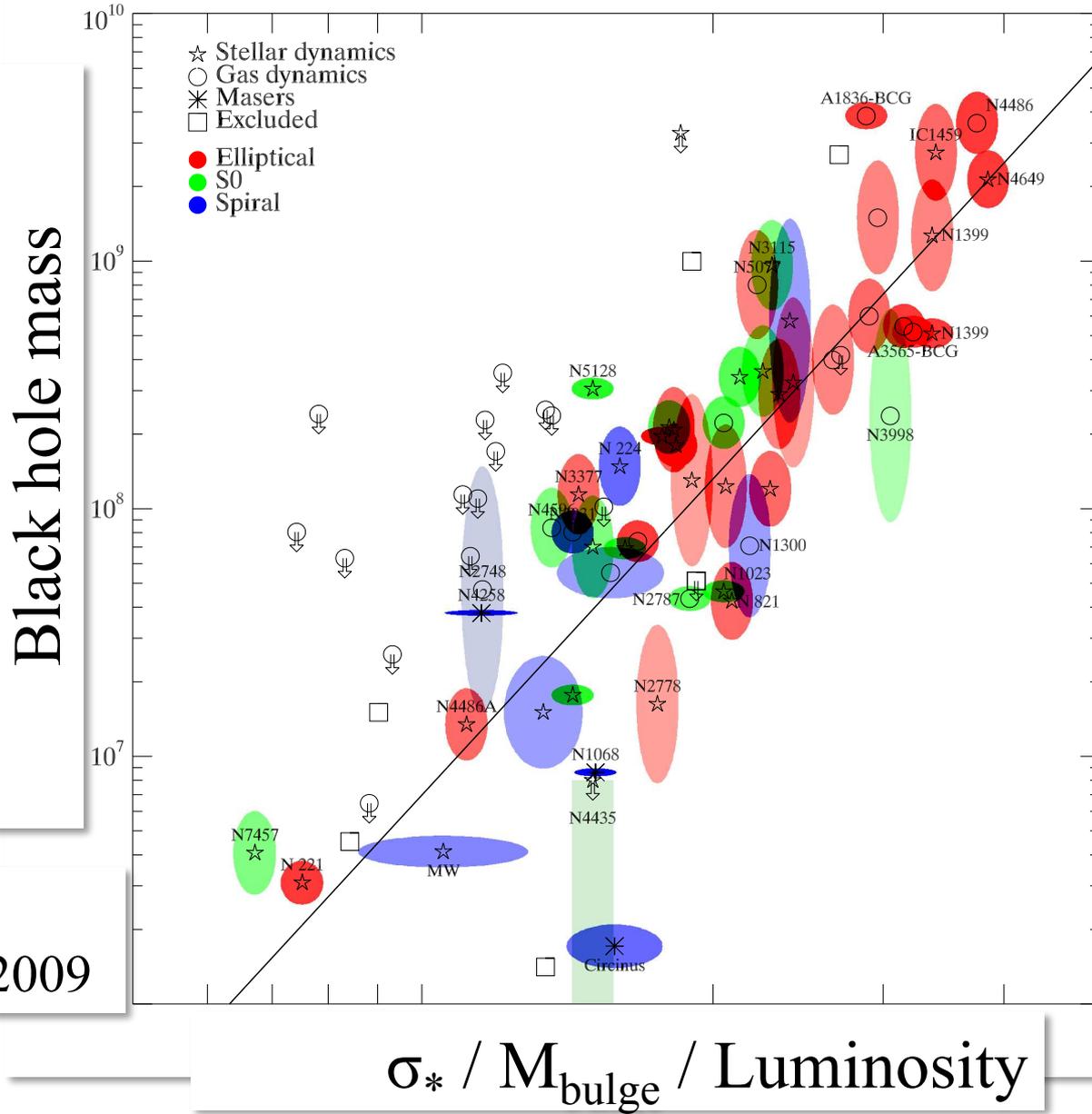
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Locate the most luminous  
sources at high redshift

Ouchi+ 2013



# Massive black hole $\rightarrow$ massive/ luminous galaxy



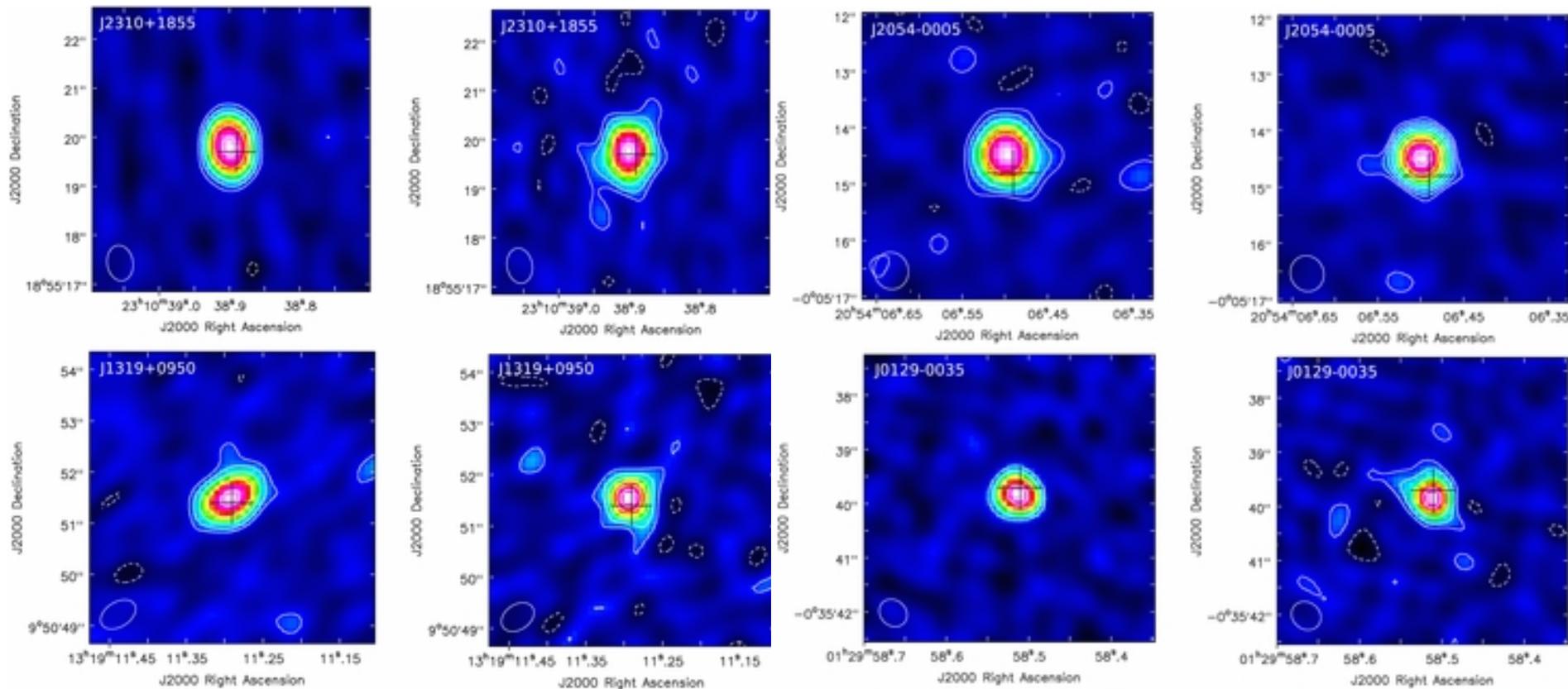
see e.g.  
Gültekin et al. 2009

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# Dust and [CII] emission in SDSS quasars

## ALMA Cycle 0 data of mm bright quasars at $z \sim 6$

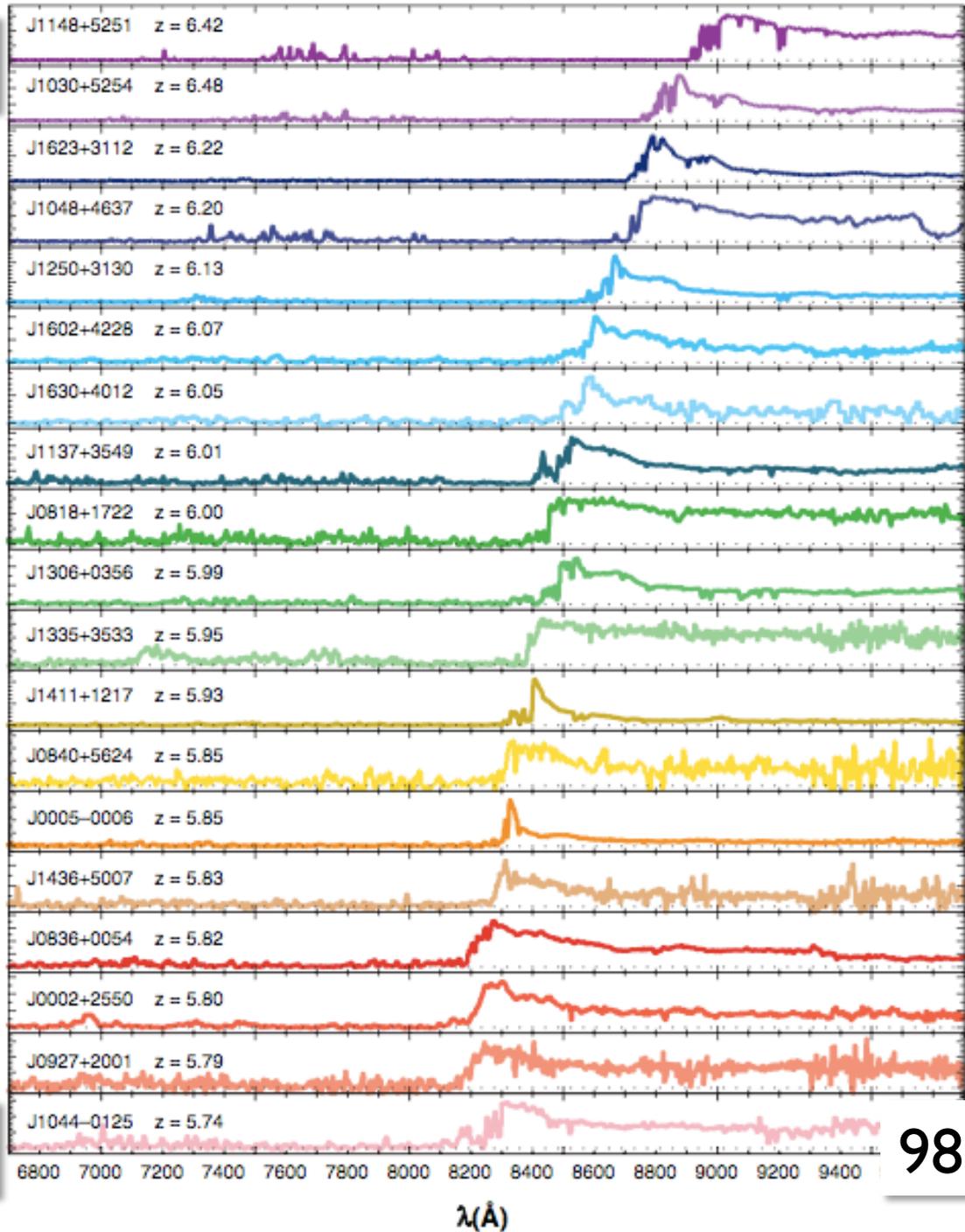


Wang+ 2013; see also Willott+ 2013

$z=6.4$

19 quasars at  
 $5.7 < z < 6.4$  from  
the SDSS survey

$f\lambda$



Fan, Carilli &  
Keating 2006

$z=5.7$

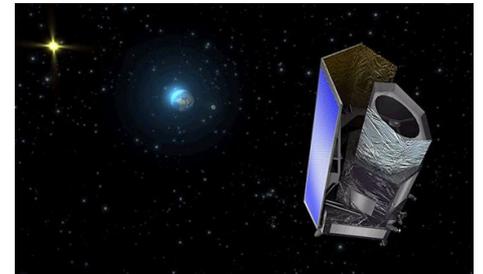
9800 Å

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- To find quasars at higher redshifts, wide field NIR surveys are needed

# Near infrared wide field surveys

- UK Infrared Deep Sky Survey (UKIDSS)
- ESO VISTA surveys (VIKING, VHS)
- Pan-STARRS: includes y-band ( $\sim 1$  micron)
- Upcoming: Dark Energy Survey, Euclid, LSST, ...



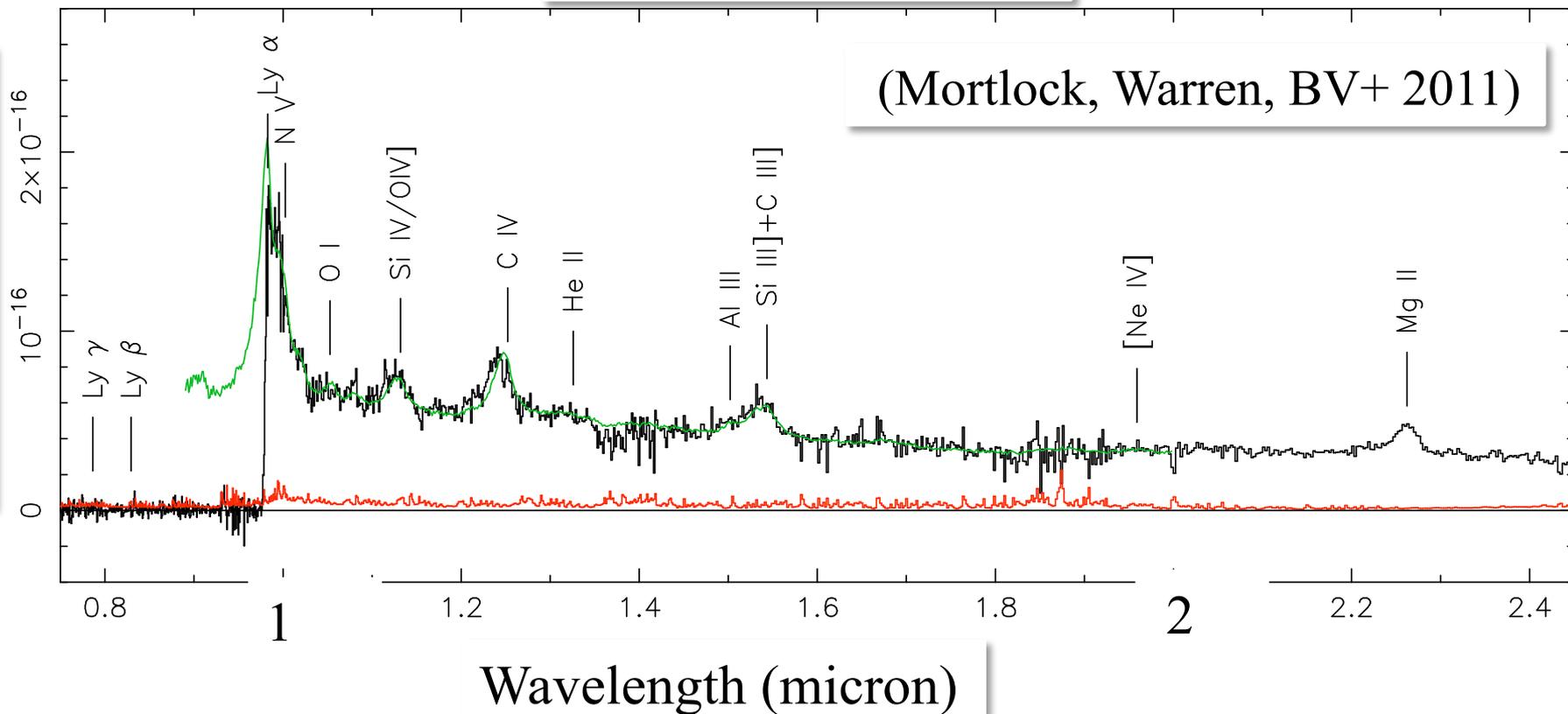
# A luminous quasar in UKIDSS at $z=7.1$

Bright quasar:  $M_{1450} = -26.6$ ,  $M_{\text{BH}} \approx 3 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$

ULAS J1120+0641

(Mortlock, Warren, BV+ 2011)

Flux density



# Four $z \gtrsim 6.5$ quasars from VISTA/VIKING

BV+ 2013

*J2318,  $z=6.45$*

*J0305,  $z=6.61$*

*J0109,  $z=6.75$*

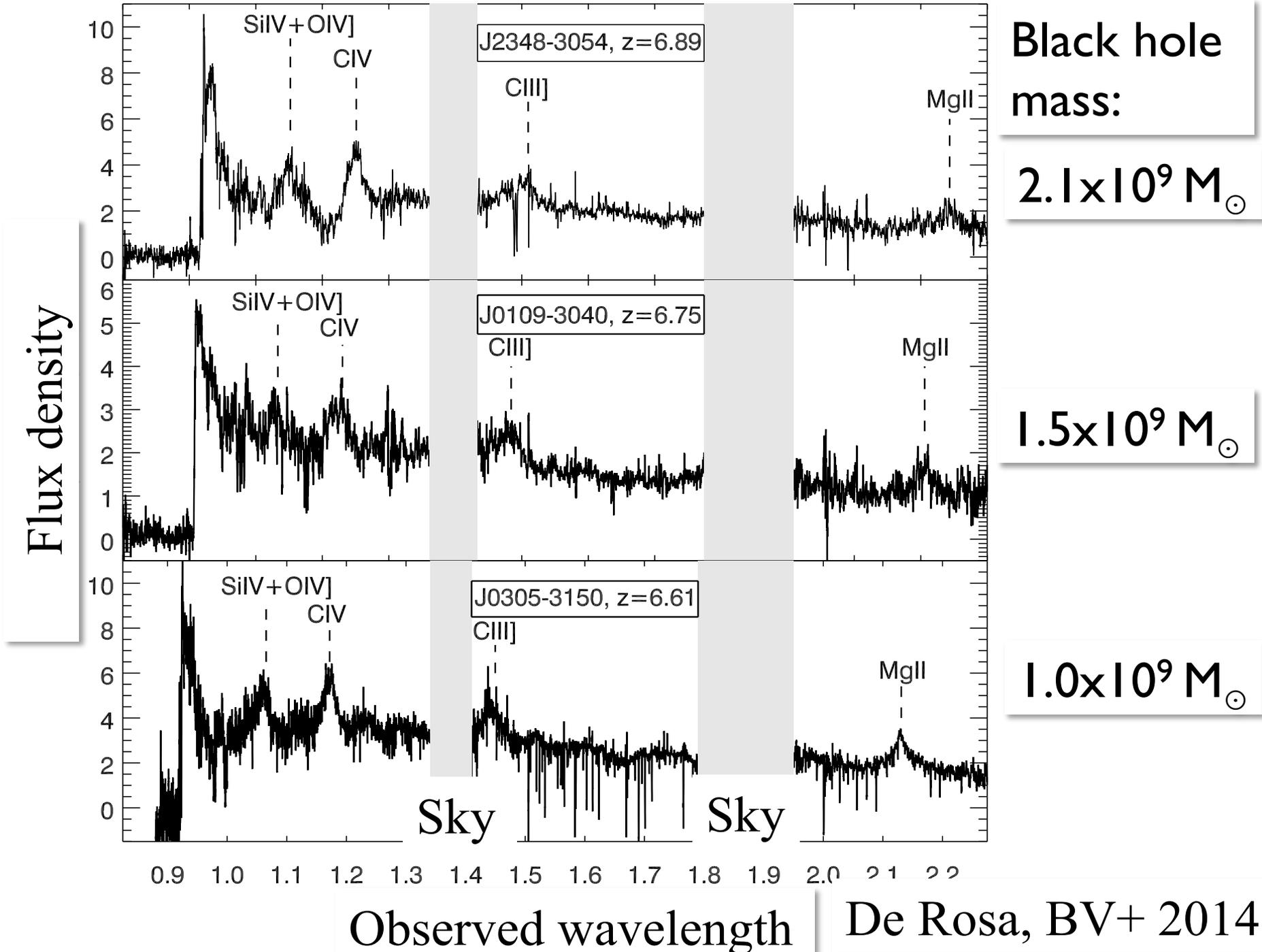
*J2348,  $z=6.89$*

*J1120,  $z=7.08$*

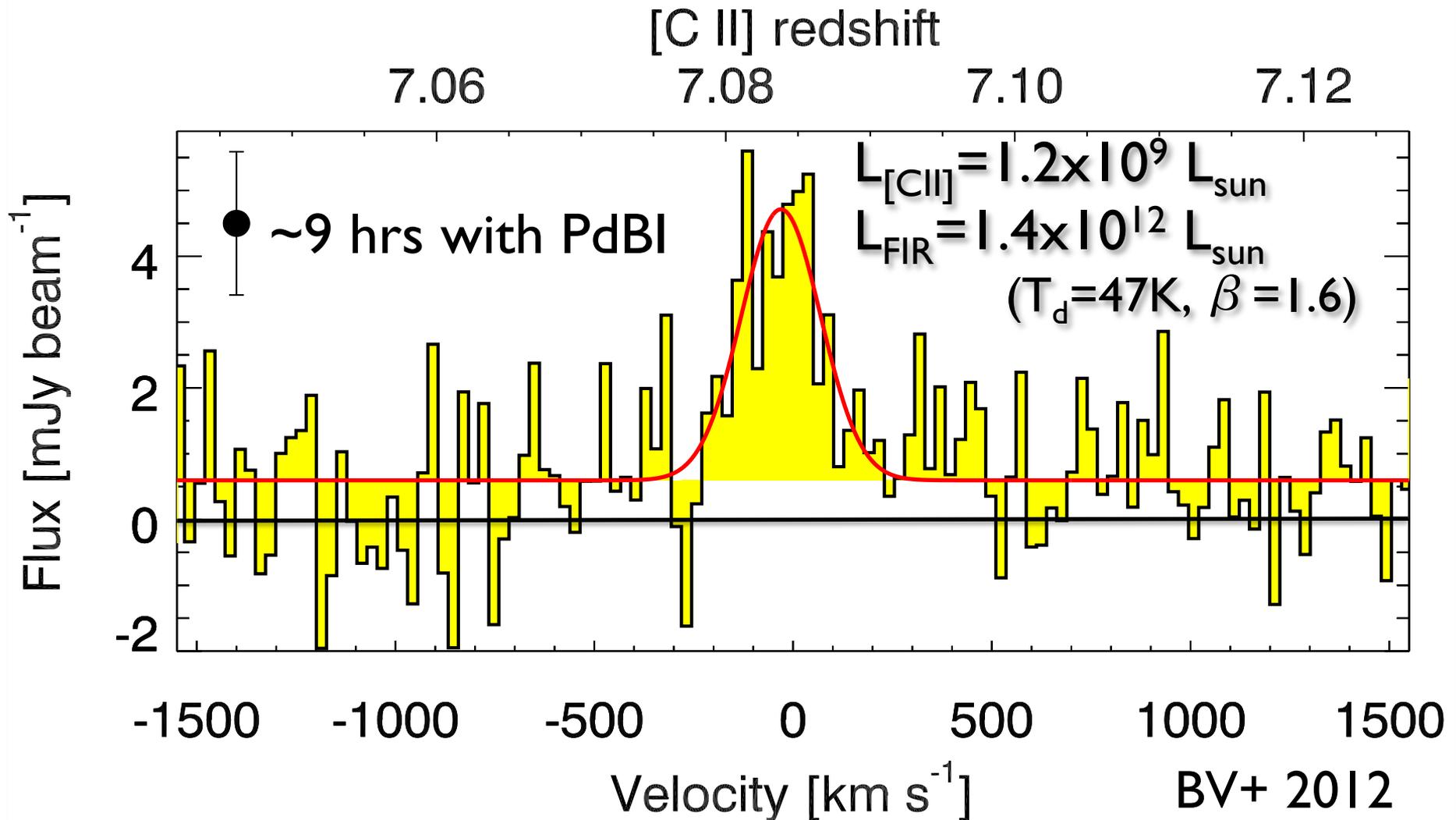
8500 Å

10300 Å

- 4  $z > 6.5$  quasars in VISTA/VIKING survey  
 $Y_{AB} \sim 20.8 - 21.3 \rightarrow M_{UV}: -25.5 \text{ to } -26.1$



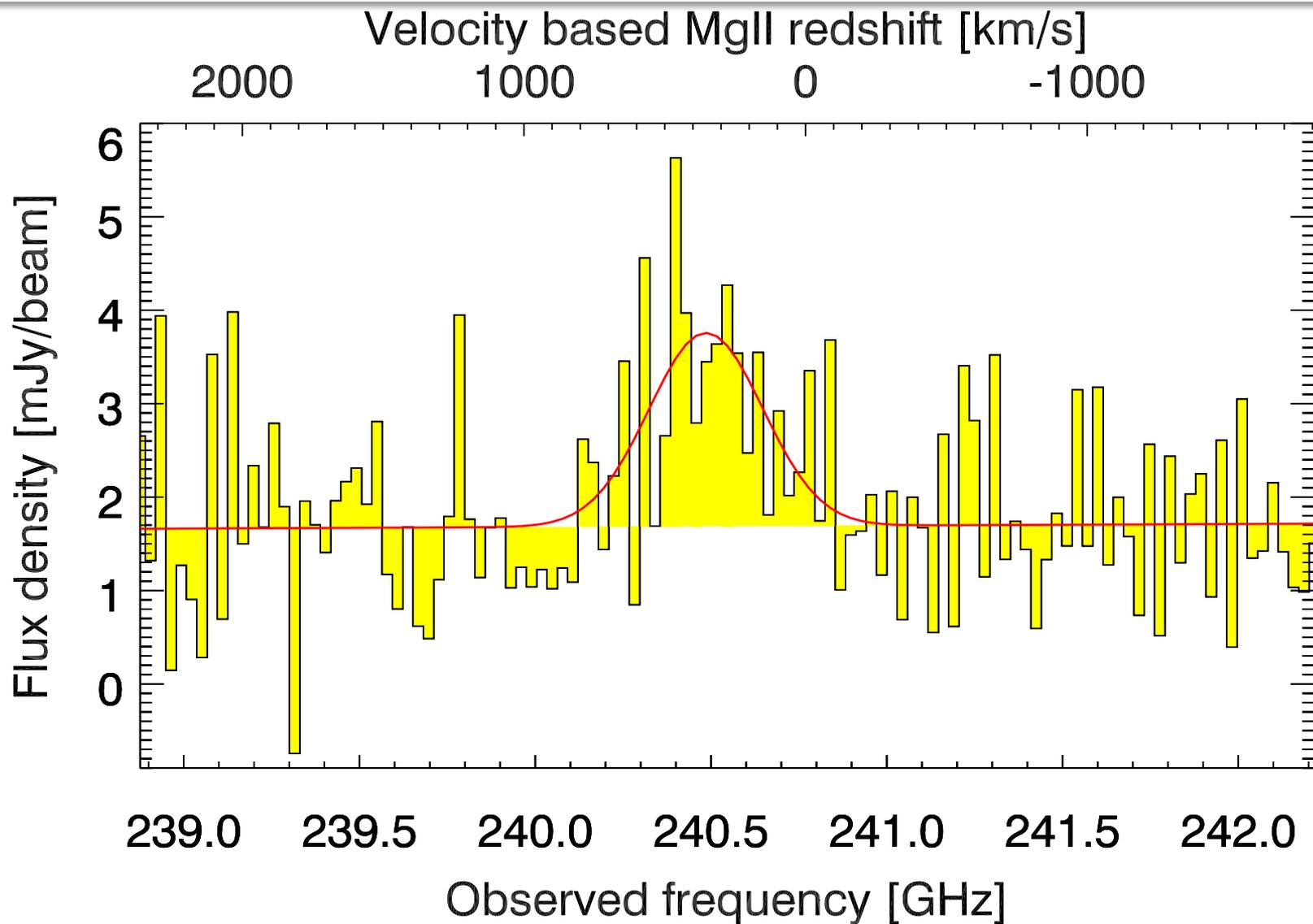
# Spectrum of J1120+0641 at $z=7.1$



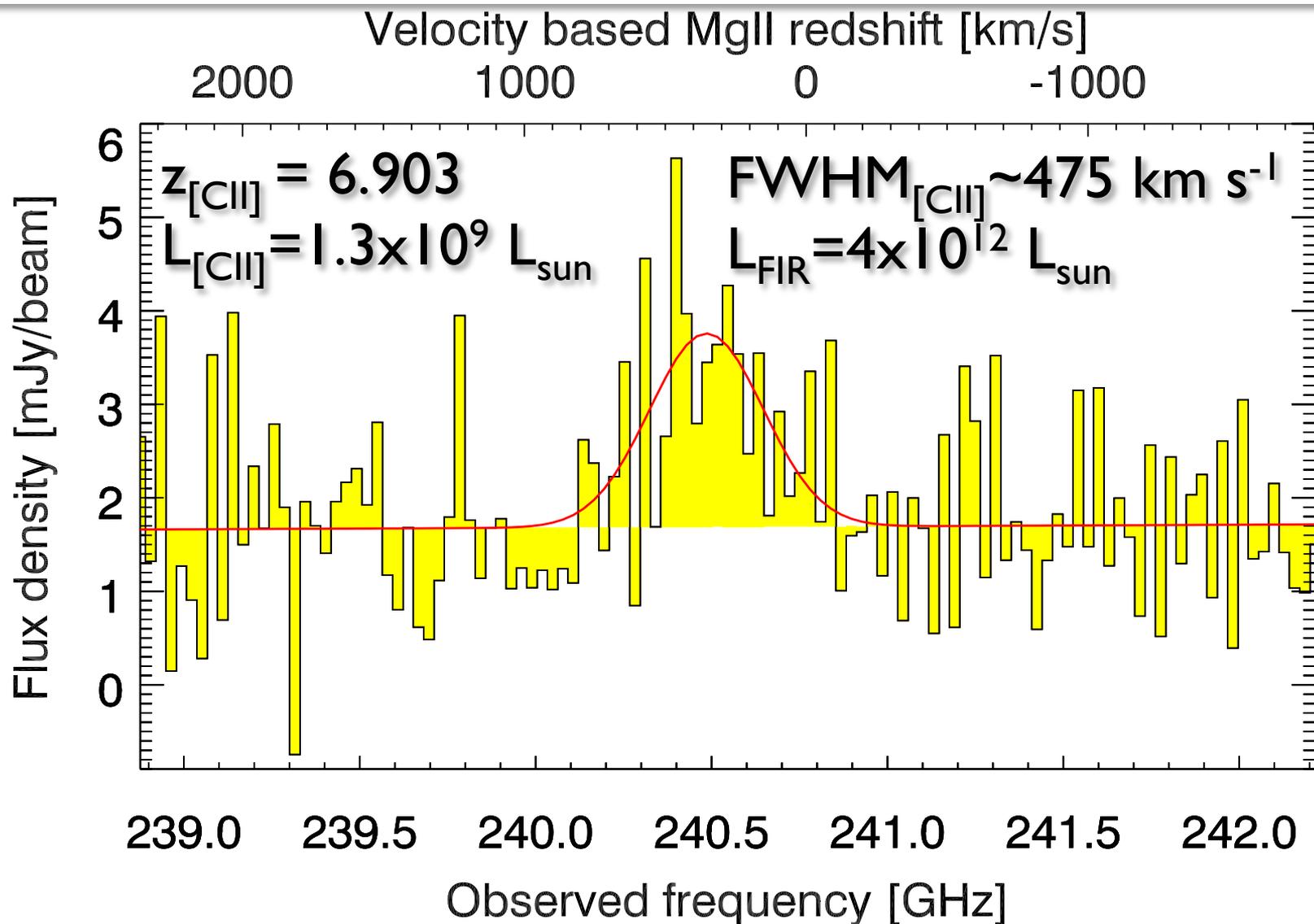
# ALMA Cycle I snapshot observations

- Observations in Oct-Nov 2013
- 3  $z > 6.5$  quasar hosts from VIKING
- 21-30 min execution time (per source)
- 23-30 antennas used
- 10-16 min on-source (45-60% efficiency)
- reach same sensitivity as 9 hrs PdBI(!)
- Resolution  $\sim 0.5''$  (requested:  $1.6''$ )

# [CII] spectrum of J2348-3054 at $z \sim 6.9$



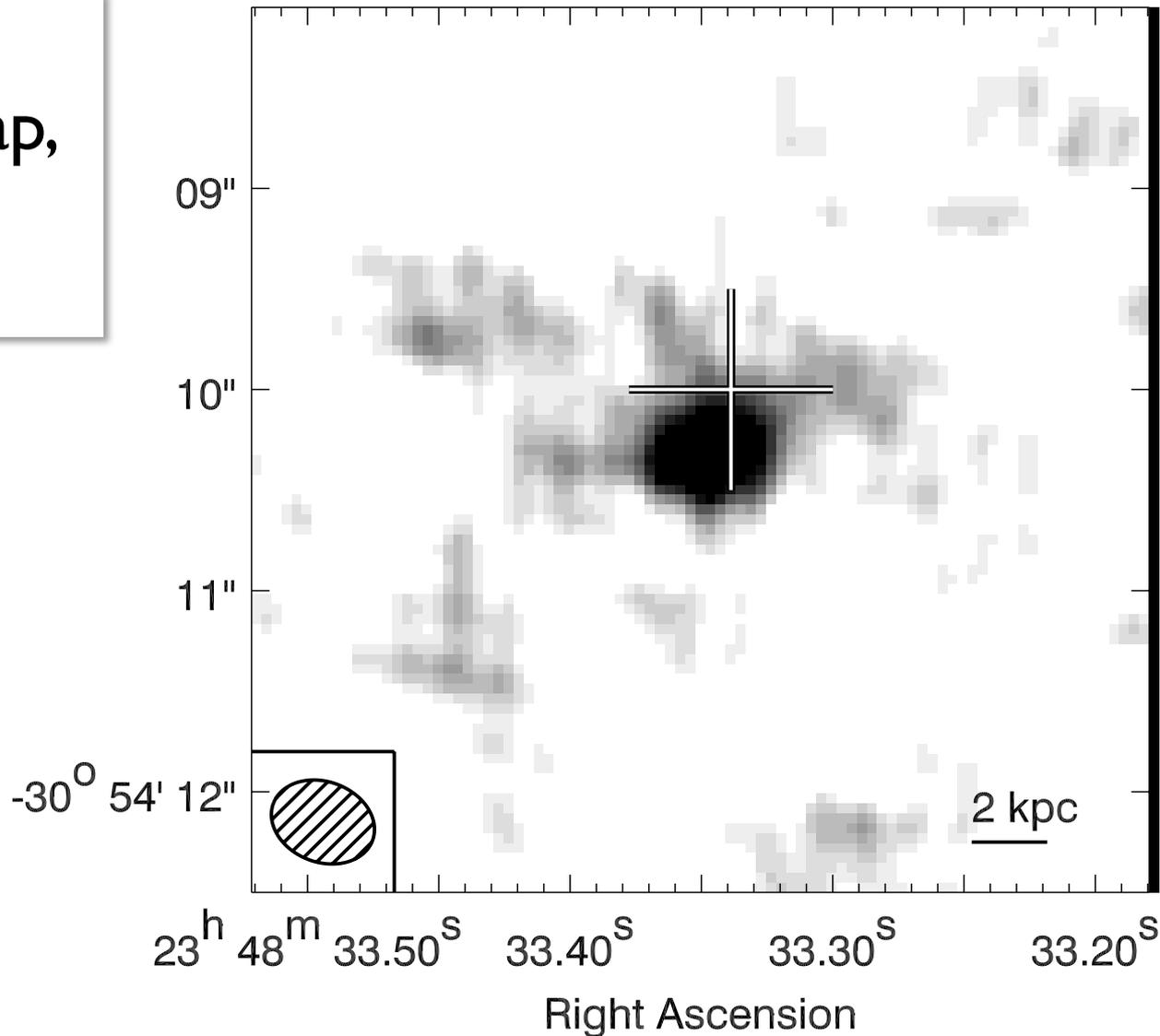
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# Map of [CII] emission of J2348-3054

Continuum-subtracted map, averaged over line FWHM

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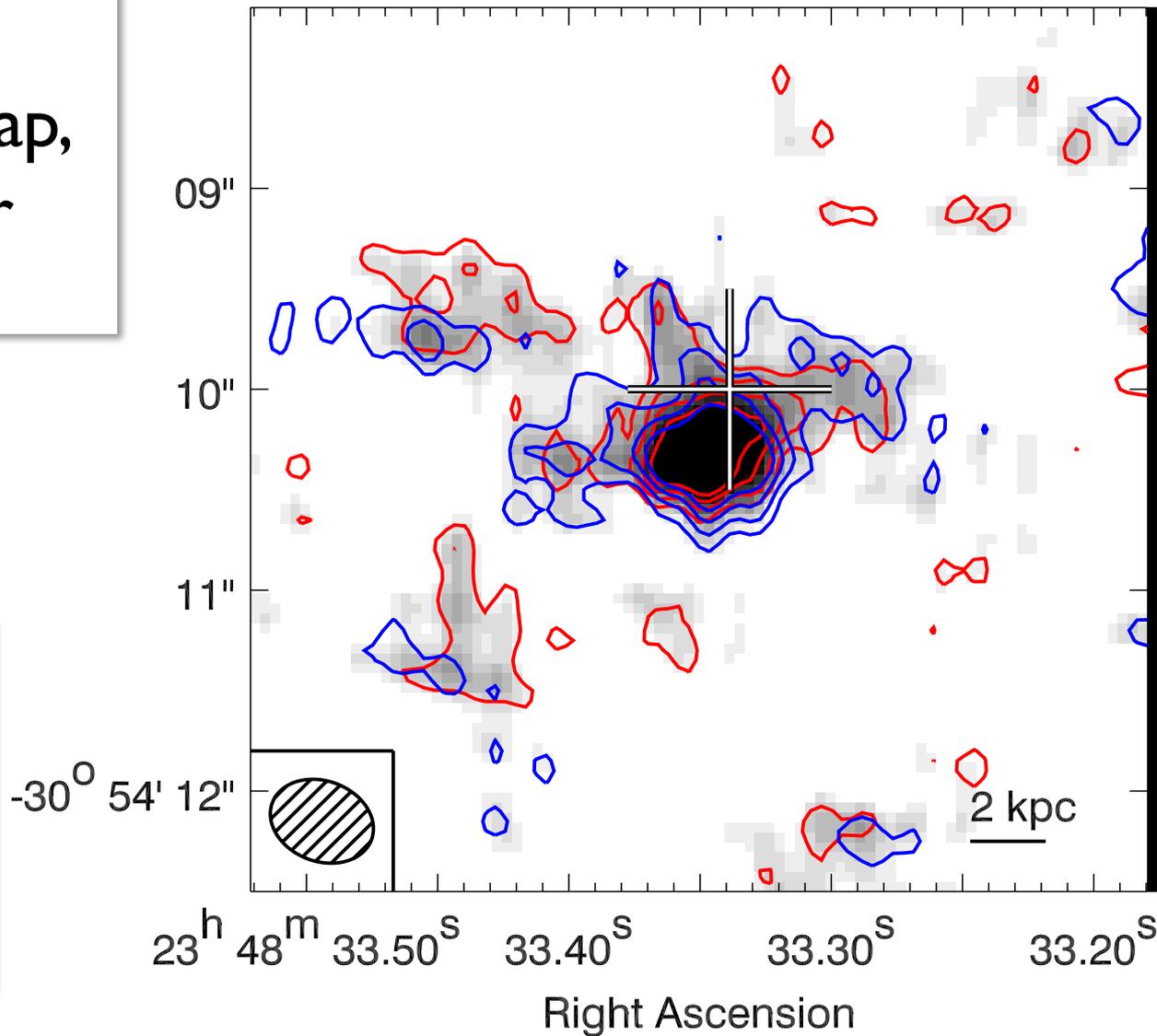


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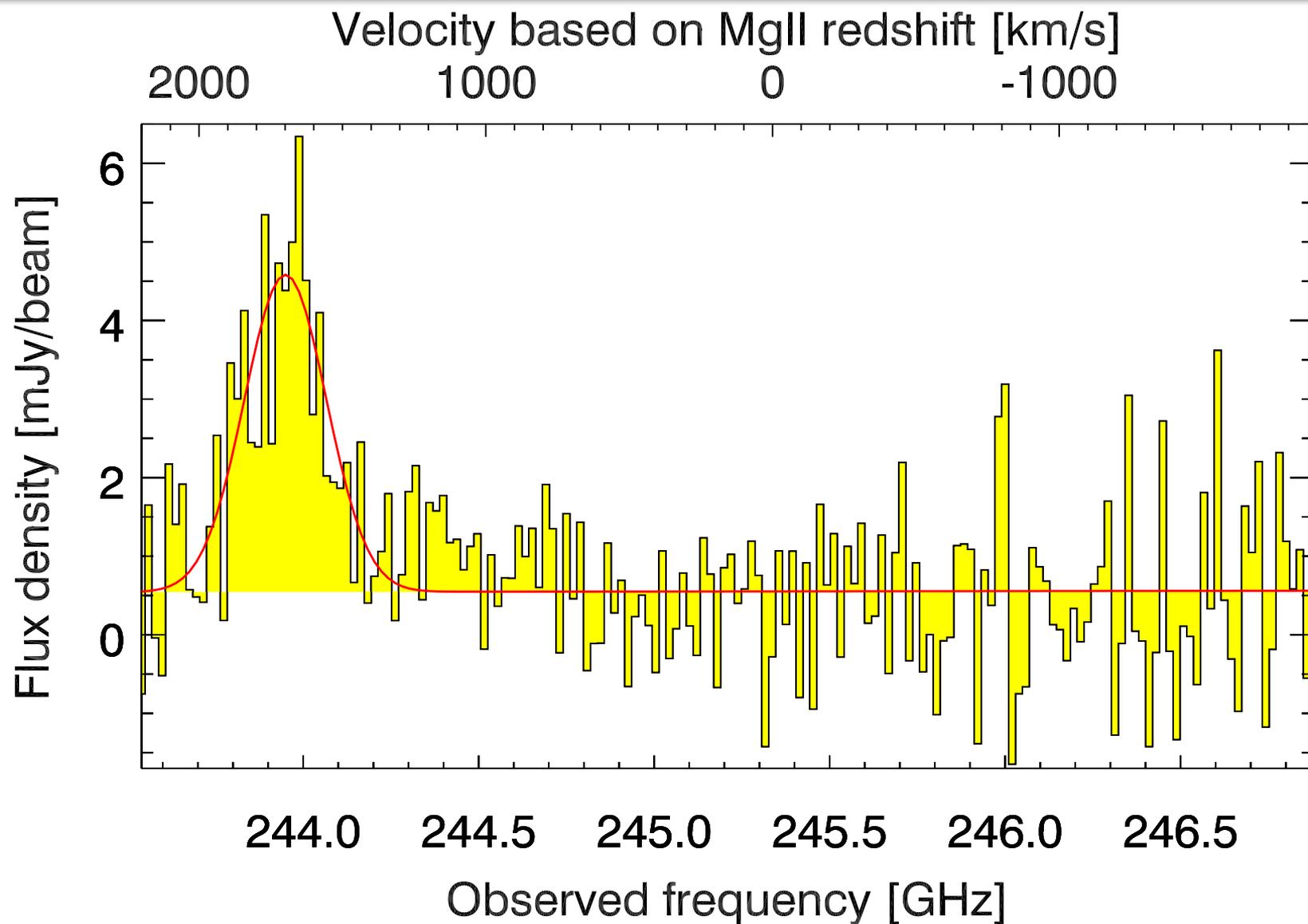
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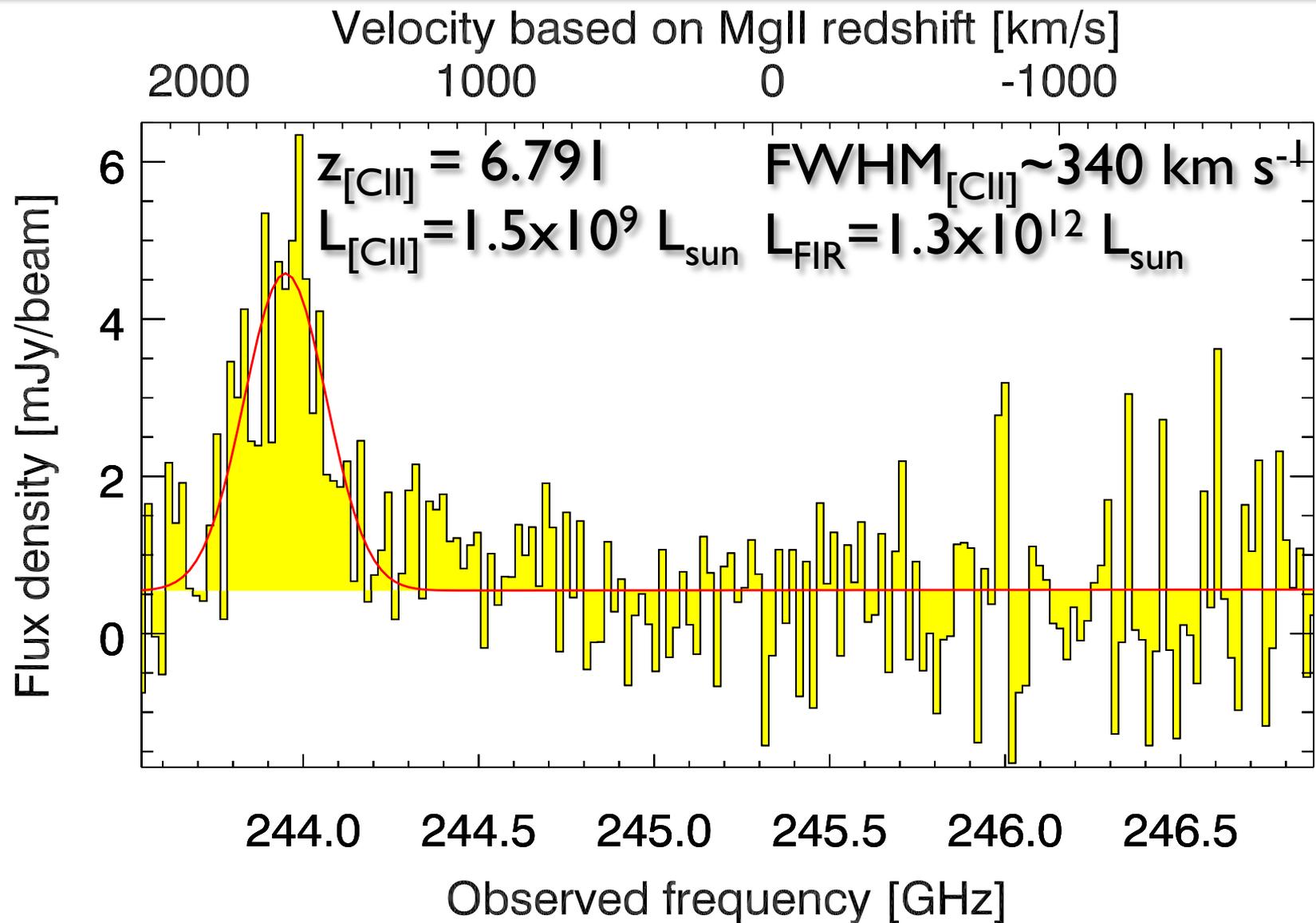
**Blue:** blue side of line peak  
**Red:** red side of line peak



# [CII] spectrum of J0109-3047 at $z \sim 6.75$



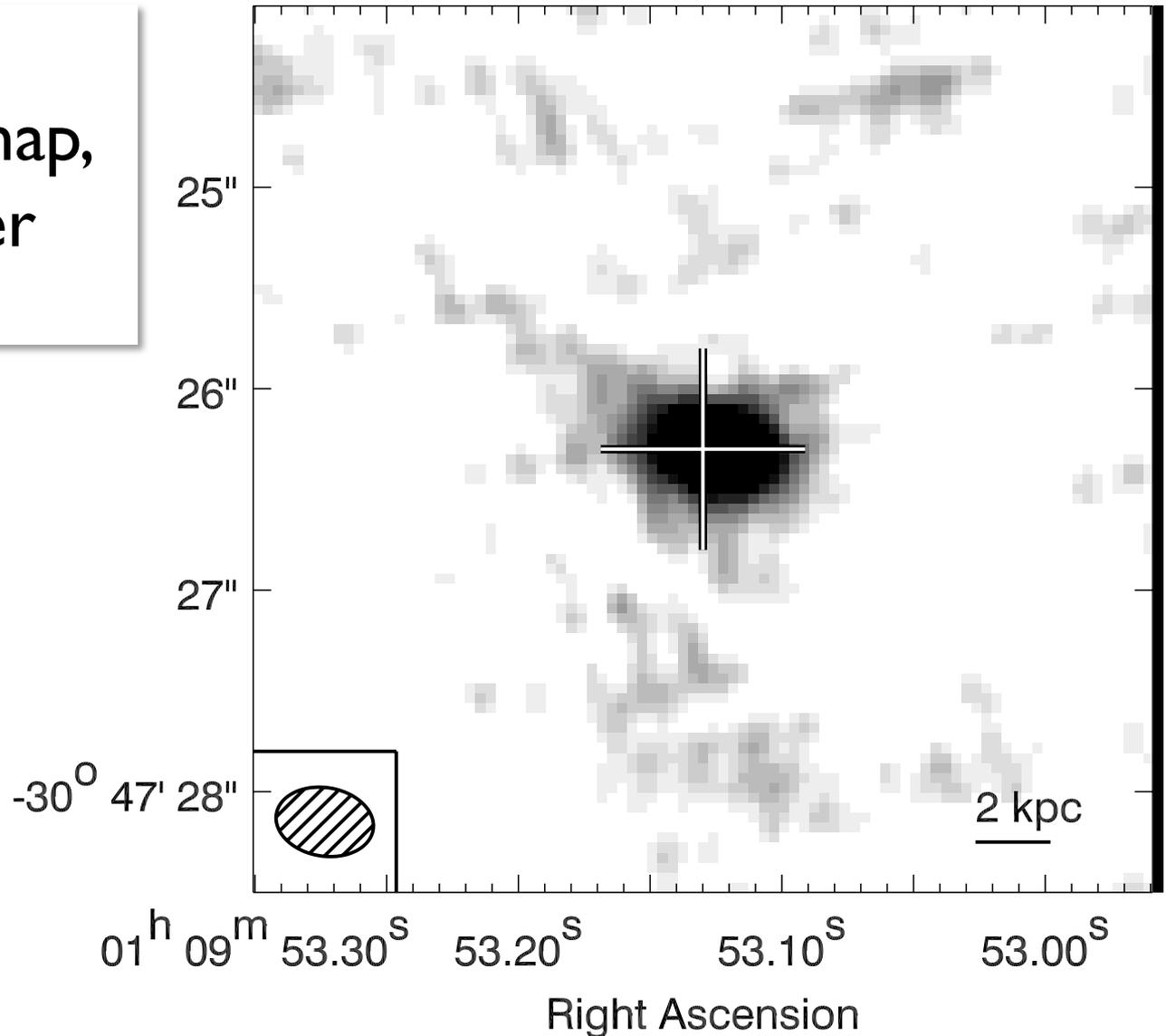
# [CII] spectrum of J0109-3047 at $z \sim 6.75$



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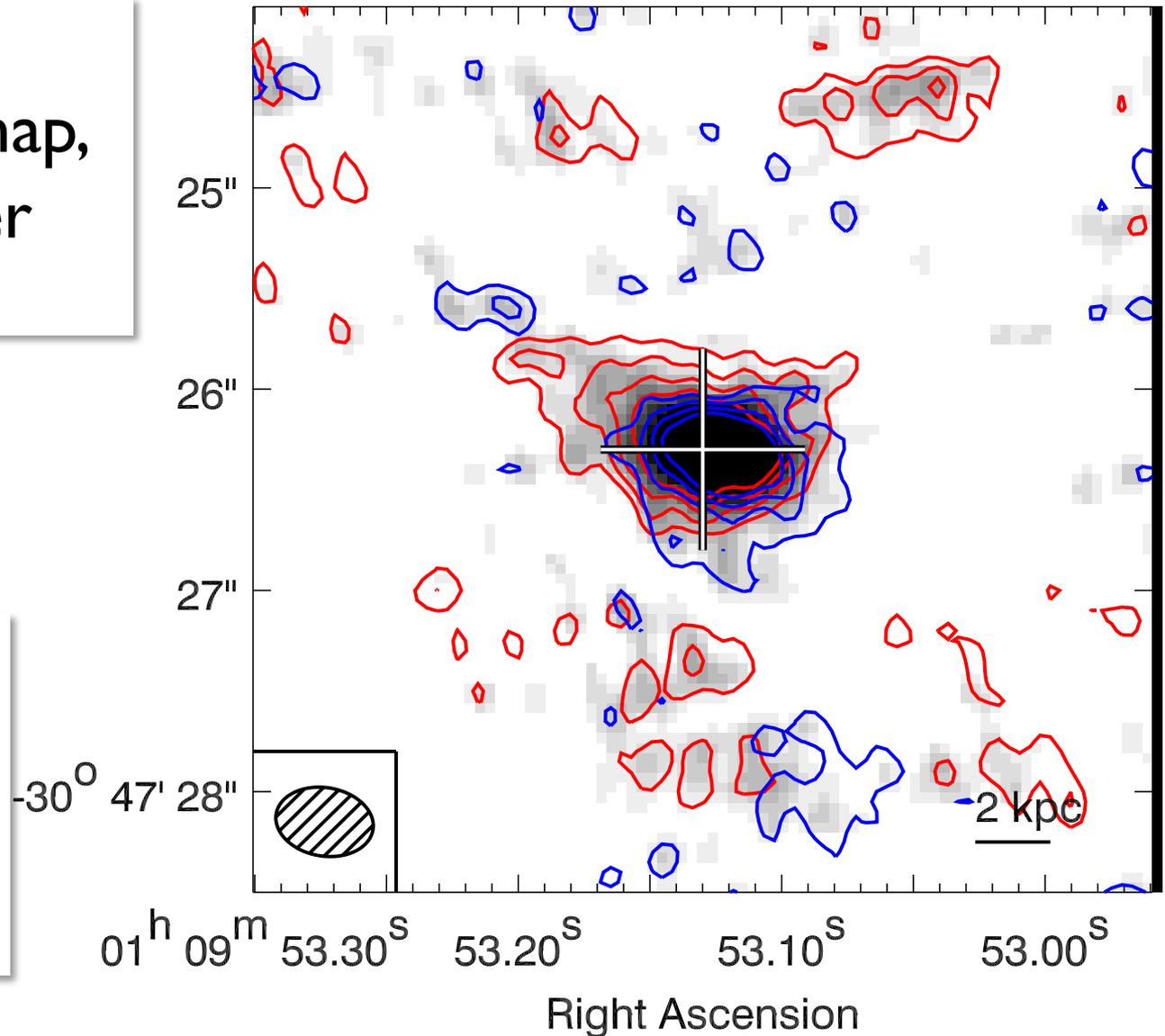


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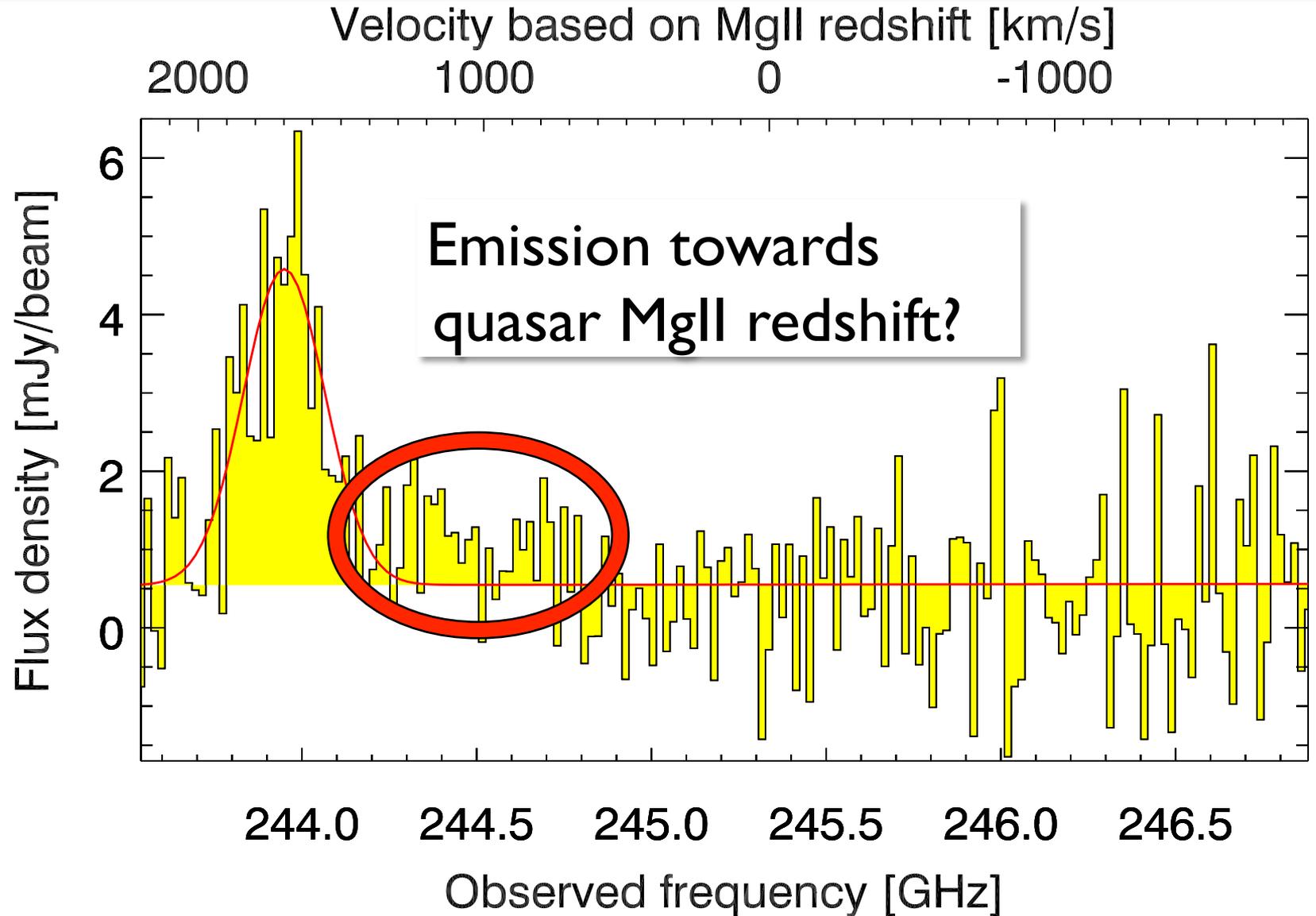
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# [CII] spectrum of J0109-3047 at $z \sim 6.75$

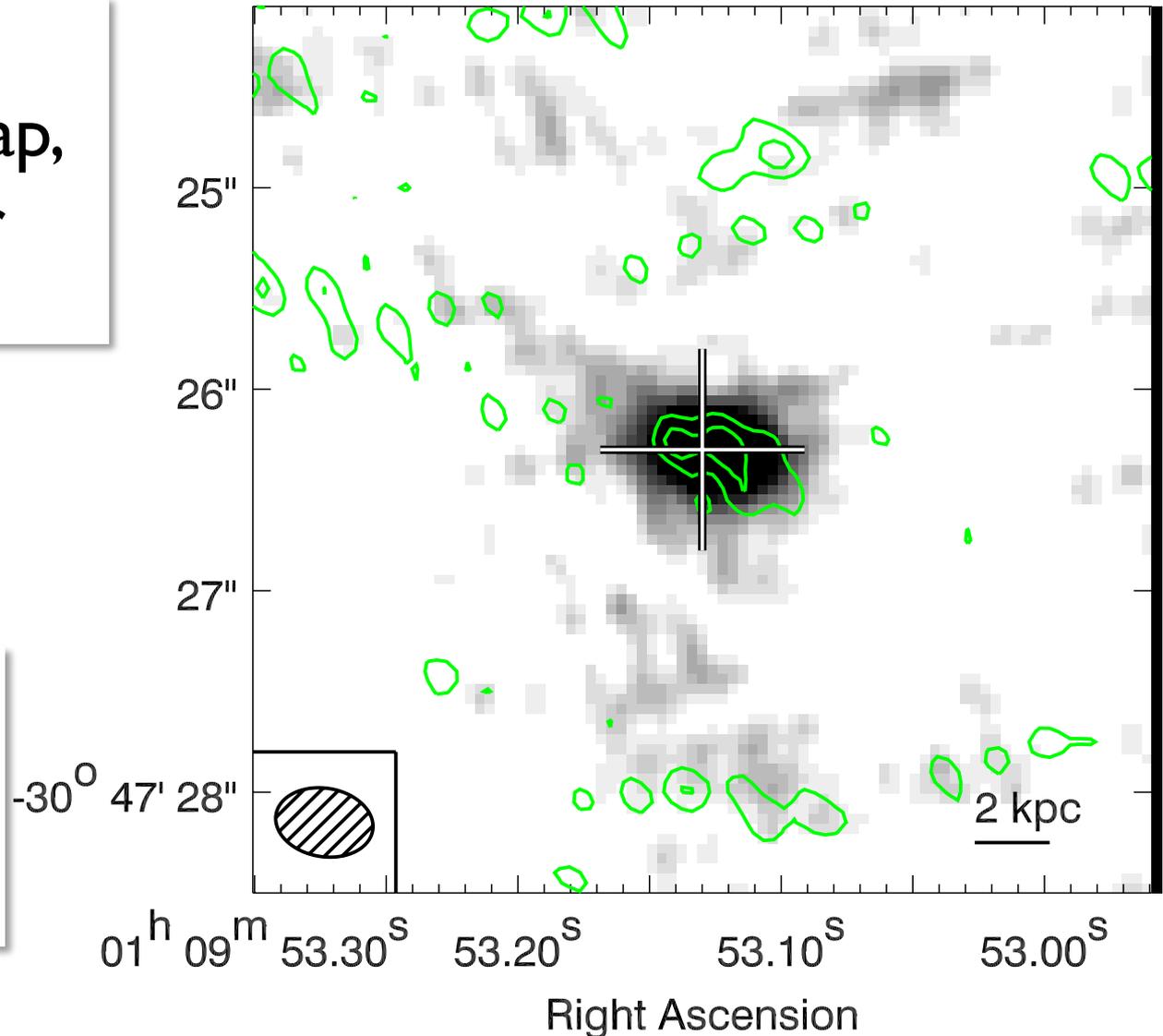


# Map of [CII] emission of J0109-3047

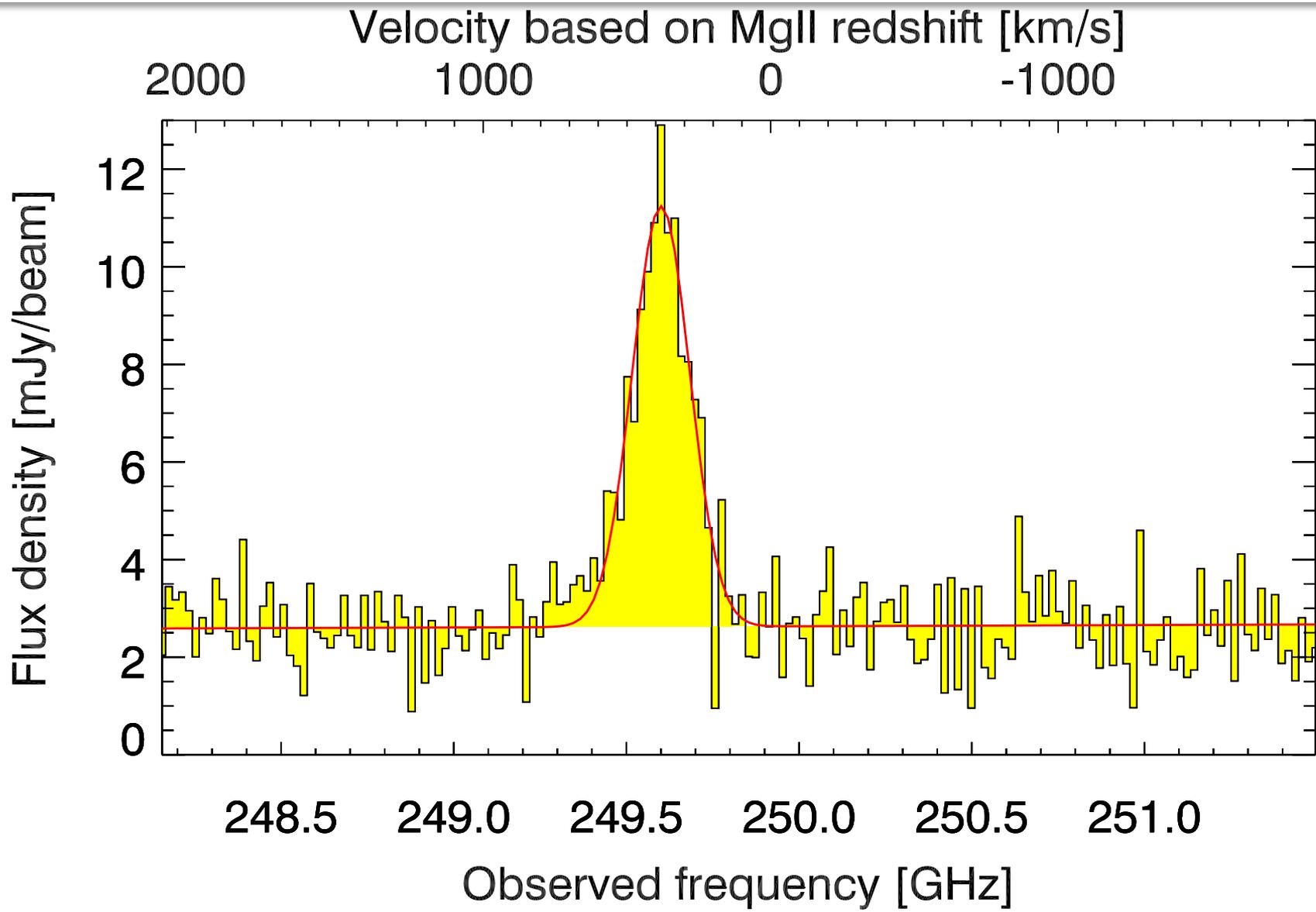
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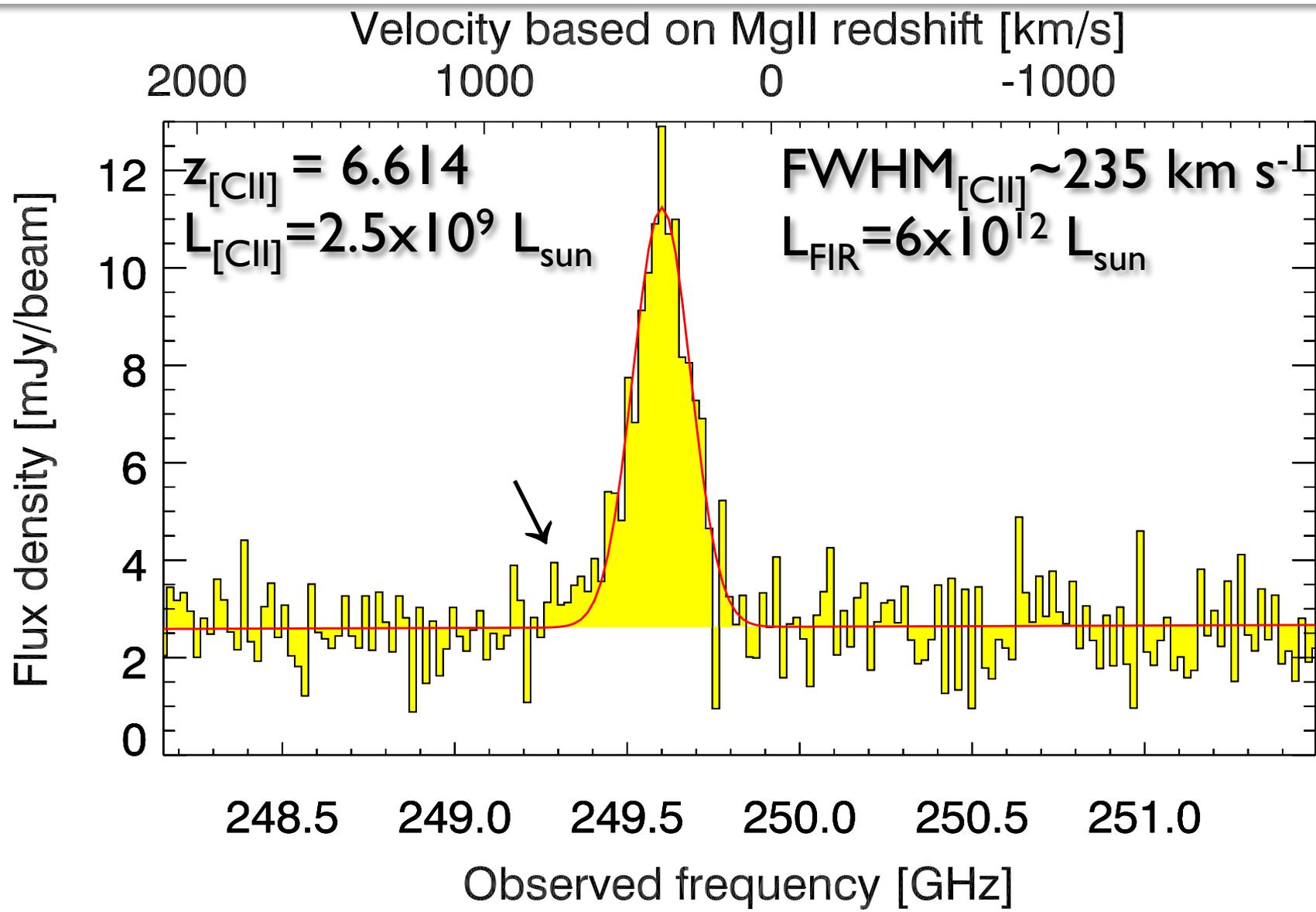
Green: emission towards quasar  
MgII redshift



# [CII] spectrum of J0305-3150 at $z \sim 6.6$



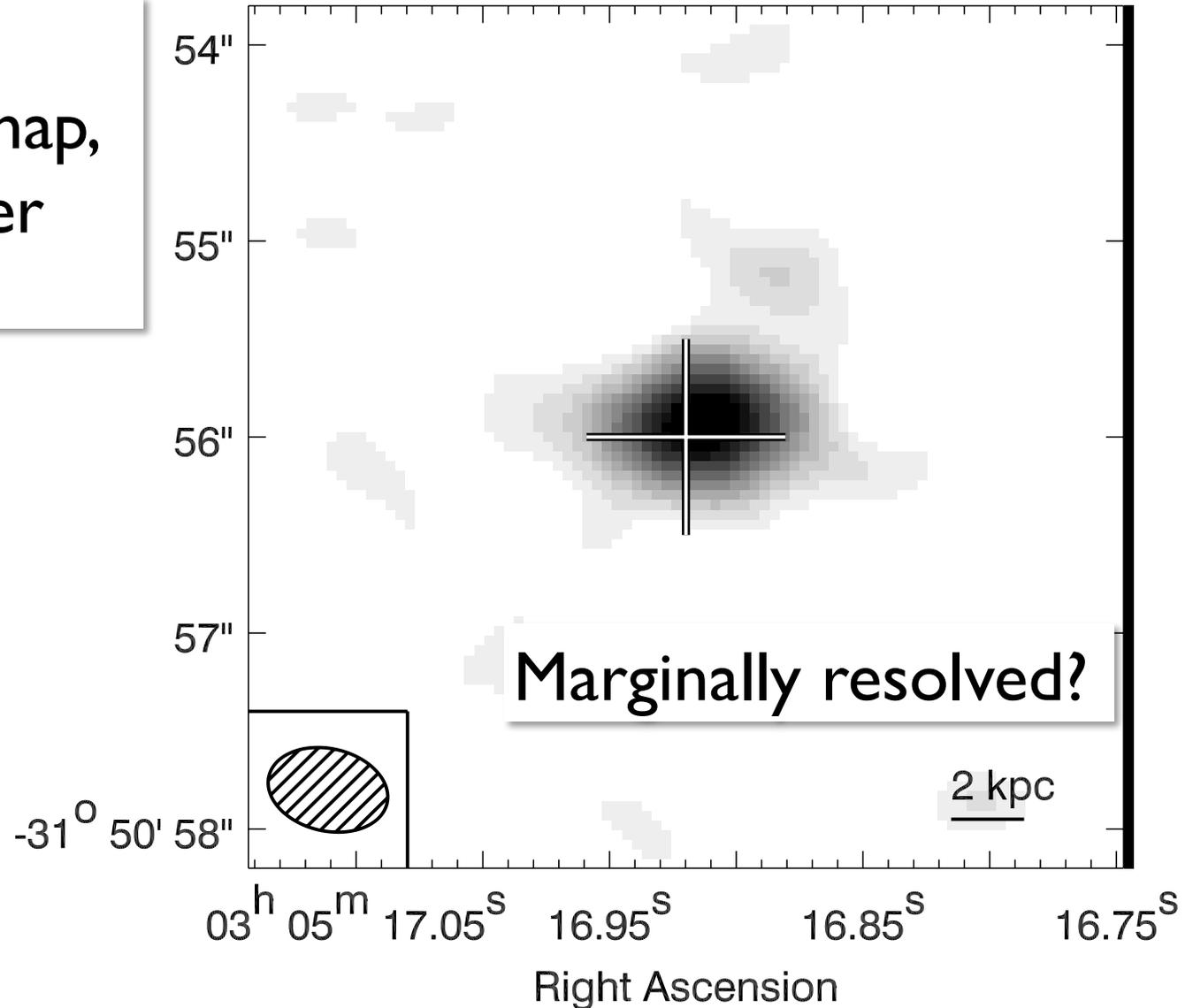
# [CII] spectrum of J0305-3150 at $z \sim 6.6$



# Map of [CII] emission of J0305-3150

Continuum-subtracted map, averaged over line FWHM

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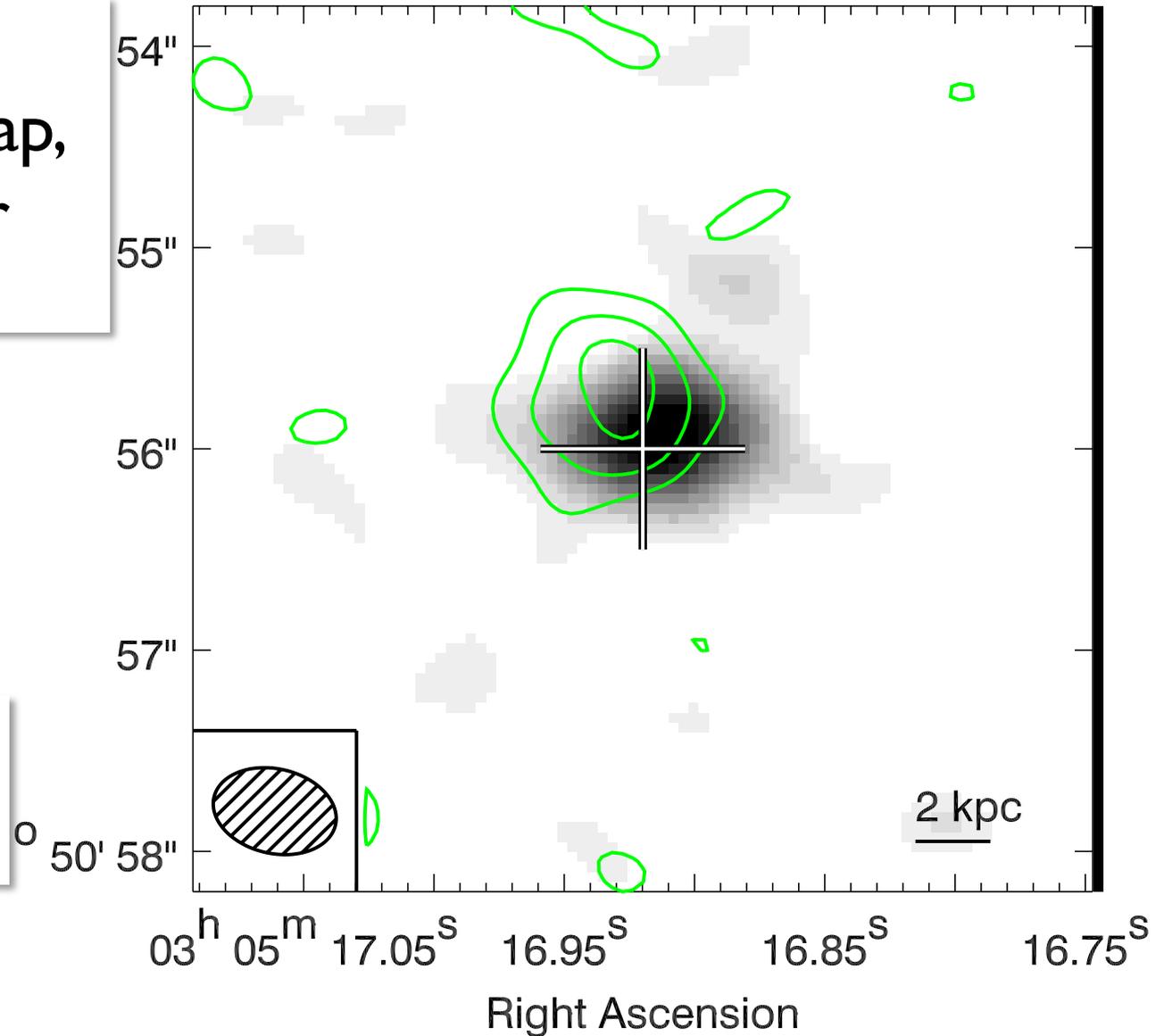


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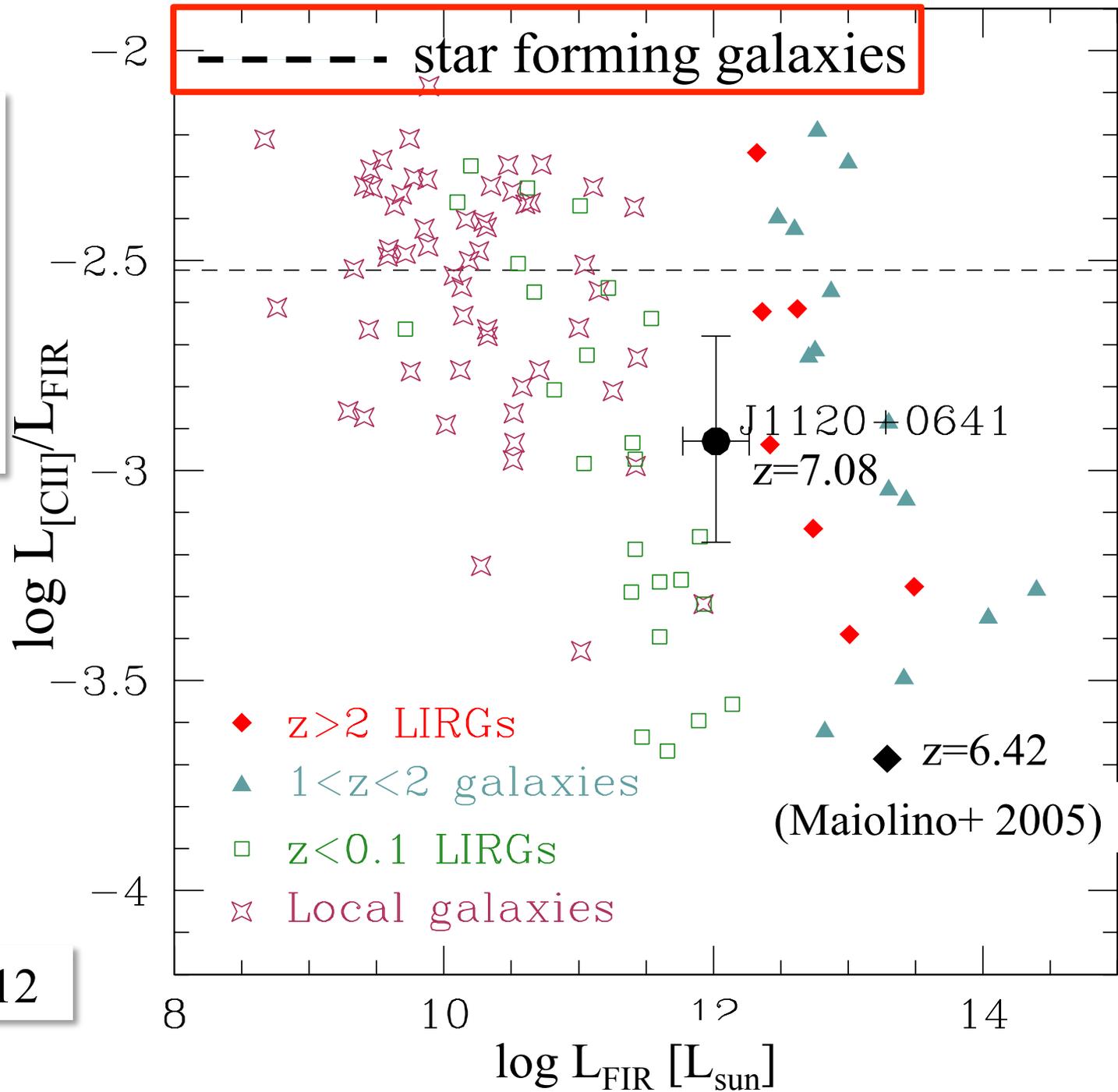
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Green: second component

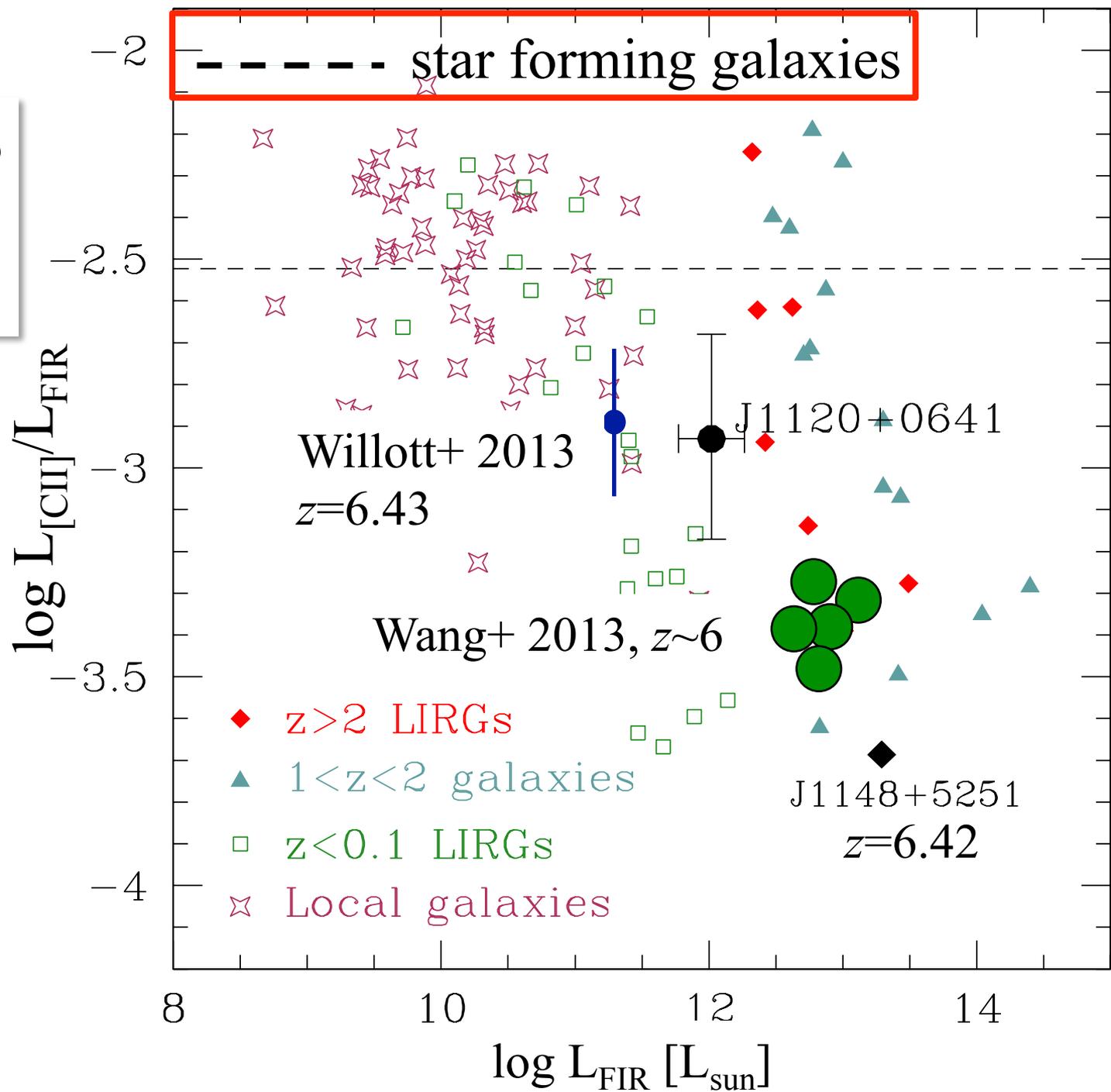


[CII] and FIR  
luminosity of  
 $z > 6.5$  quasars  
compared to  
literature

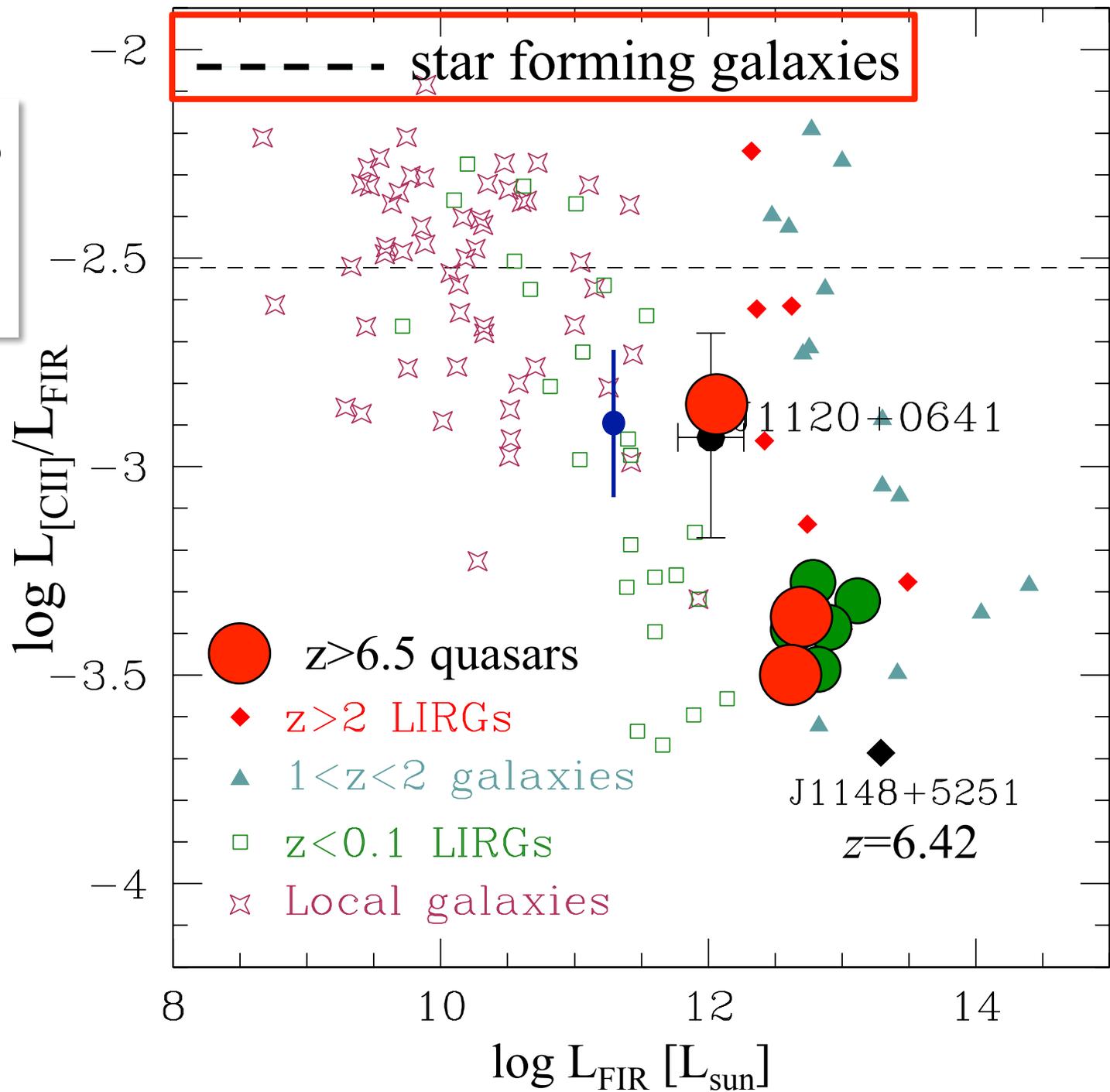


BV+ 2012

Comparison to  
lower redshift  
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# Summary

- Quasars ideal for early science observations
- ALMA observations of 3  $z > 6.5$  quasars:
  - [CII] luminosities of  $(1.3-2.5) \times 10^9 L_{\text{sun}}$
  - FIR luminosities  $\sim (1-6) \times 10^{12} L_{\text{sun}}$
  - Velocity shifts between MgII and [CII]
  - Additional components (spatially / in velocity)
  - Range in  $L_{\text{[CII]}}/L_{\text{FIR}}$

# Outlook

- More ALMA Cycle 1 observations:
  - high resolution [CII] in  $z=7.1$  quasar host
- Proposed ALMA Cycle 2 observations:
  - [CII] in  $z>6.5$  quasar hosts in higher resolution
  - CO(7-6) and CI transitions
- Study more  $z>6.5$  quasars from VIKING, PS1...