

Unravelling galaxies: where do  
the stars form?

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ESO Large Program with MUSE:

120 hr of MUSE over four semesters started in Period 96 (October 2015)

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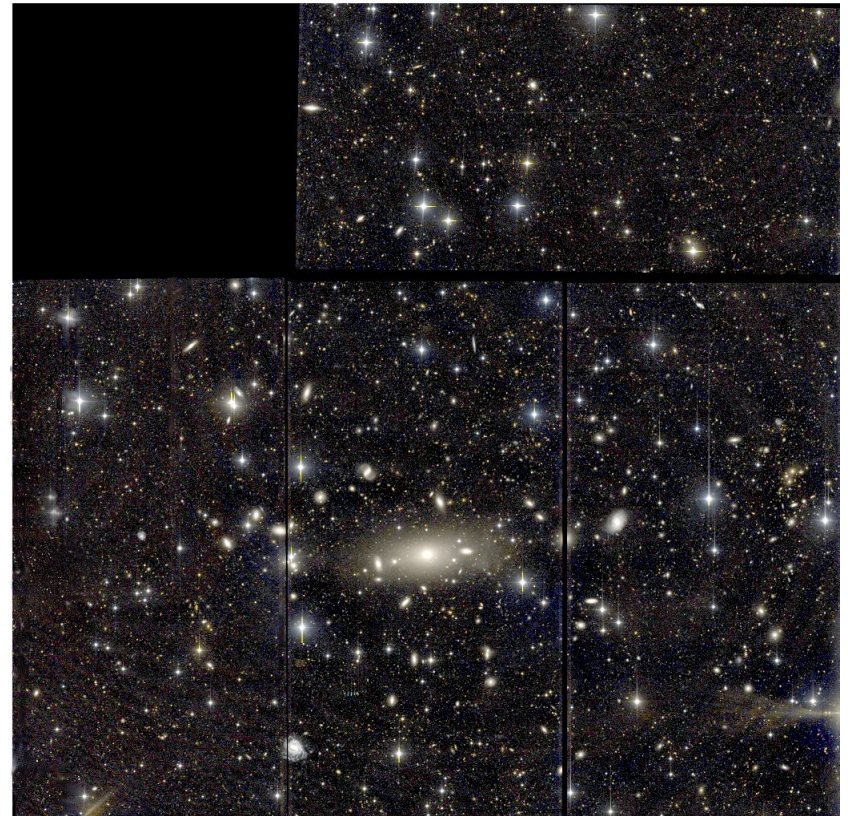
(simulations)

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# Wide-field Nearby Galaxy-cluster Survey (WINGS) and its extension (OMEGAWINGS)

A wide-field survey of 76 X-ray selected clusters at  $z=0.04-0.07$

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# OMEGAWINGS: VST

u (1hr), V and B (25min each) on a 1deg sq. with Omegacam/  
VST: 6ohrs + 5ohrs GTO Omegacam and VST

**Table 1.** Observation log. Columns 3 and 5 are seeing in *B* and *V* measured as the average FWHM of stars in *B*- and *V*-band final stacked images. The last column lists the reference astrometric catalogue.

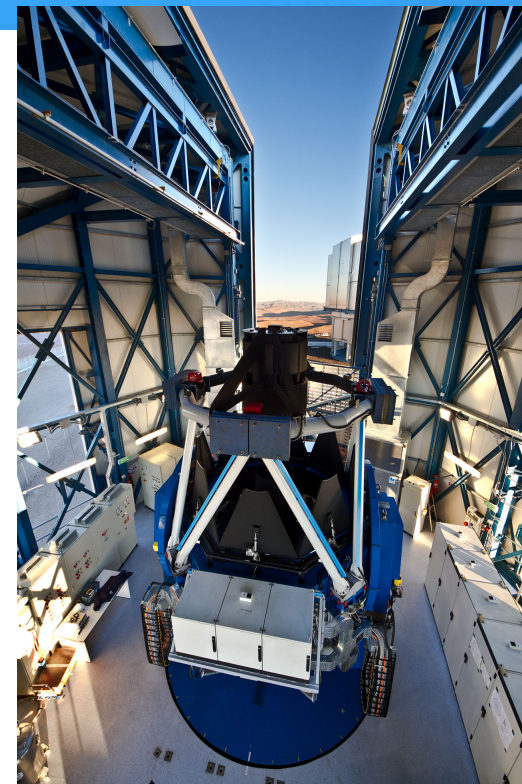
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B and V completed: 46 clusters

u-band ongoing

Great asset: out to 2.5 virial radii

Photometry, but also detailed morphologies, structural parameters, color maps etc



# Padova-Millennium Galaxy and Group Catalogue (PM2GC)

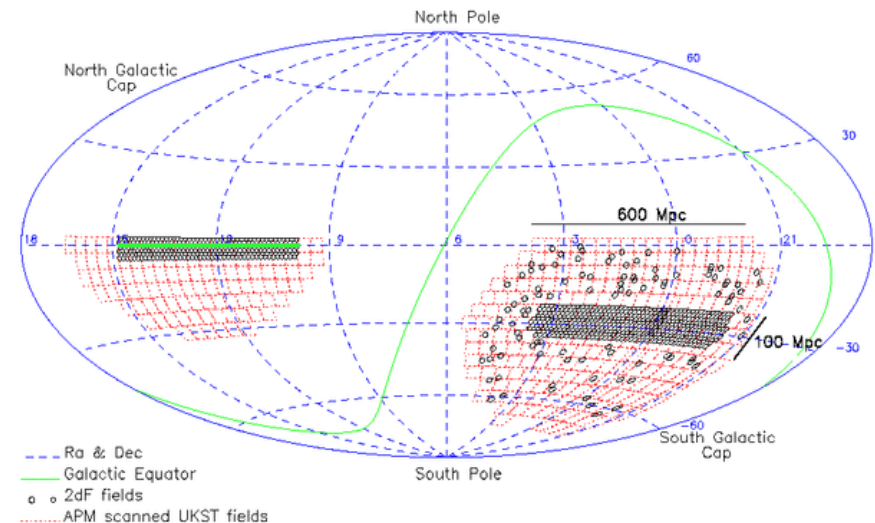
Rosa Calvi, BP + WINGS collaborators

A general field galaxy sample at  $z=0.04-0.1$

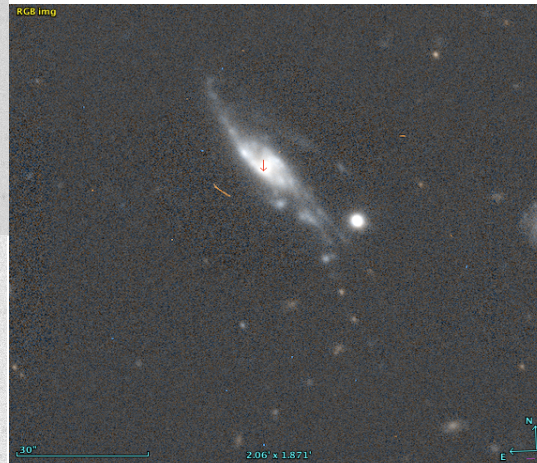
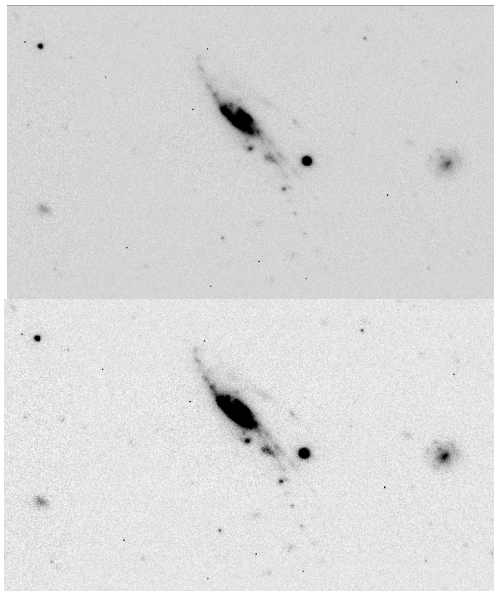
Based on the Millennium Galaxy Catalogue (PI Simon Driver, Liske et al. 2003), a  $38 \text{ deg}^2$  equatorial survey

**B-band imaging with WFC/INT**

AAT/2dF redshift survey combined with 2dFGRS and SDSS: spectroscopic completeness in the area 96% to  $B=20$

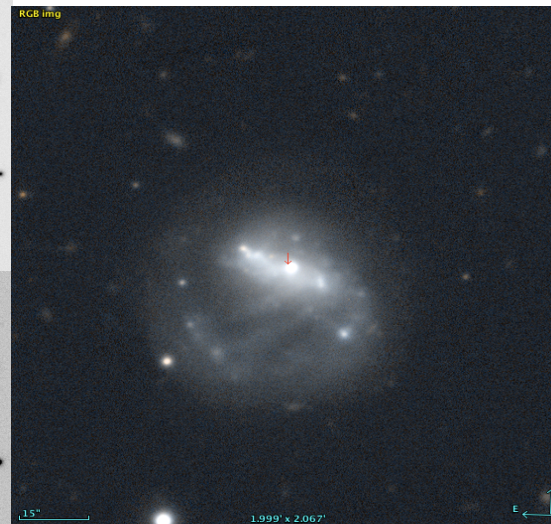
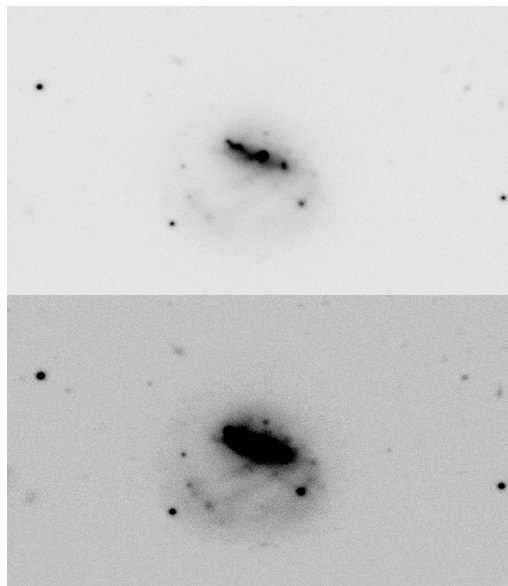


# CATALOGUE OF JELLYFISH CANDIDATES



We visually searched for “stripping candidates” in deep images of clusters (OMEGAWINGS+WINGS) and field (PM<sub>2</sub>GC)

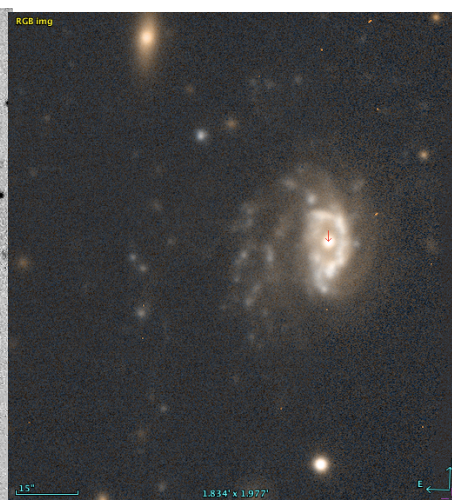
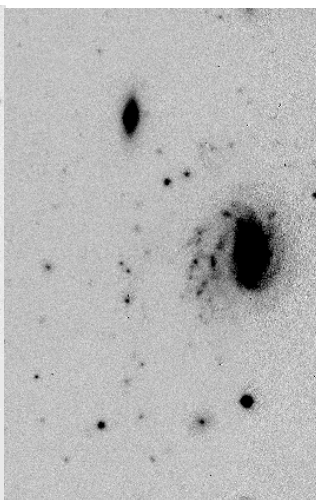
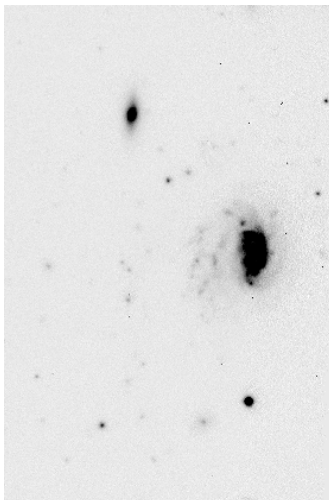
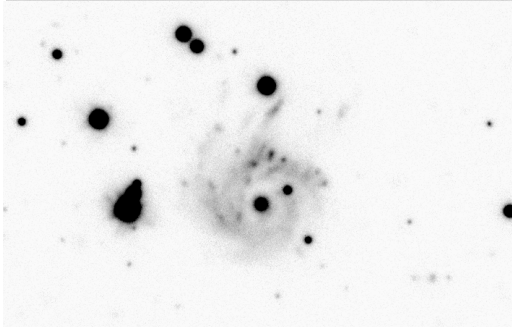
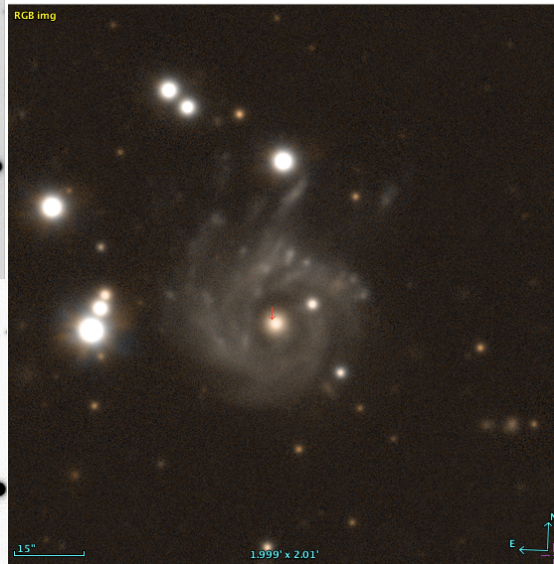
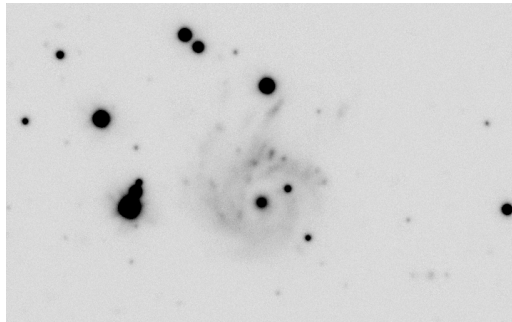
Atlas of 419 stripping candidates at  $z=0.04-0.1$ , of which 344 in clusters and 75 in “the field”



Not all are classical “jellyfishes”, but all show unilaterally disturbed morphologies.

Poggianti et al. 2016, AJ

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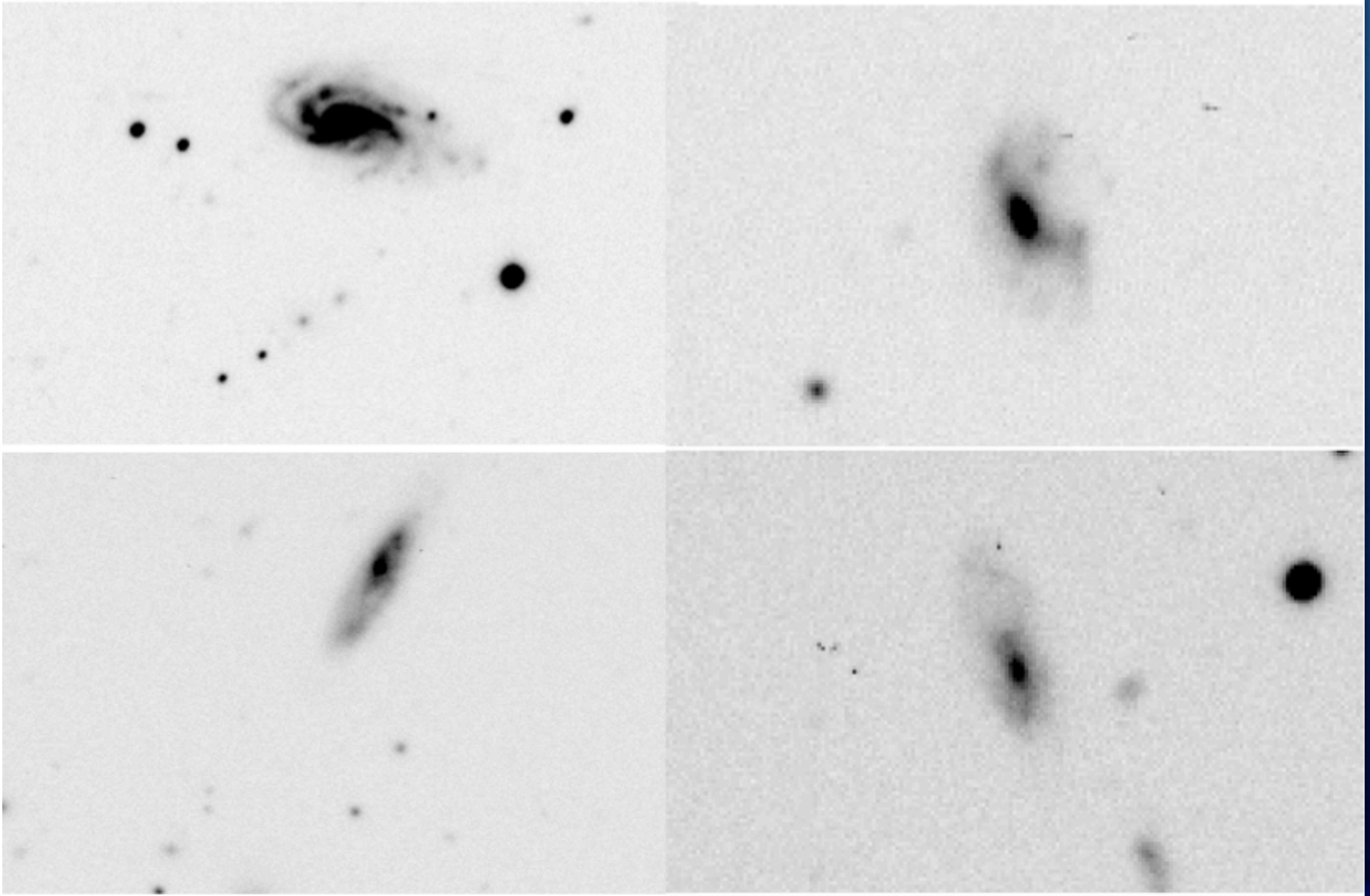
Images, positions, first analysis of galaxy environment and properties (SFR, morphology, mass, color)

Broad range of galaxy stellar masses ( $\log M = 9-12$ )

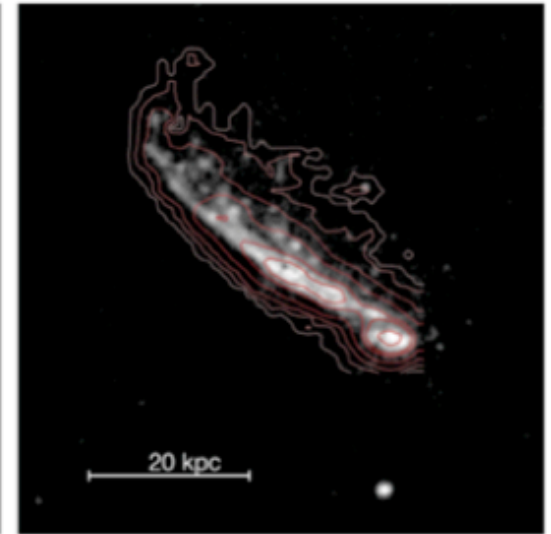
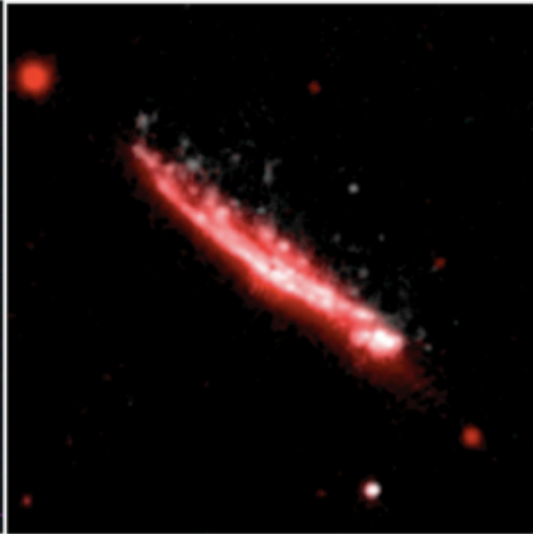
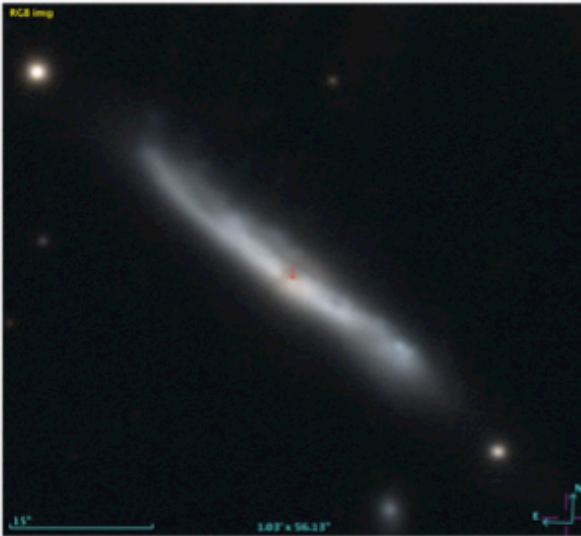
SFR enhanced by a factor of  $\sim 2$

Poggianti et al. 2016

# "STRIPPING CANDIDATES" IN GROUPS AND LOW-MASS HALOES







Poggianti et al. 2016

Merluzzi et al. 2013

Spatially resolved gas-sensitive studies show that the optical signature is just the tip of the iceberg

That is why we decided to include in our atlas also weaker cases

Optical morphology alone is not able to identify the physical cause beyond doubt (tidal, minor and major mergers, harassment): follow-up gas IFU studies are needed

# GASP's motivation



- ◆ The gas supply regulates the histories of galaxies
- ◆ Several factors can affect the gas content:
  - galactic winds due to star formation or an active galactic nucleus
  - affecting only gas: ram pressure stripping and strangulation
  - affecting gas and stars: tidal effects, mergers and more
- ◆ Gas removal processes can lead to interruption of the star formation activity (quenching)

Observe **how** (physics), **where** (environment) and **why** (physical processes) gas gets removed from galaxies

Measure timescale and efficiency of gas removal **as a function of galaxy mass and environment**

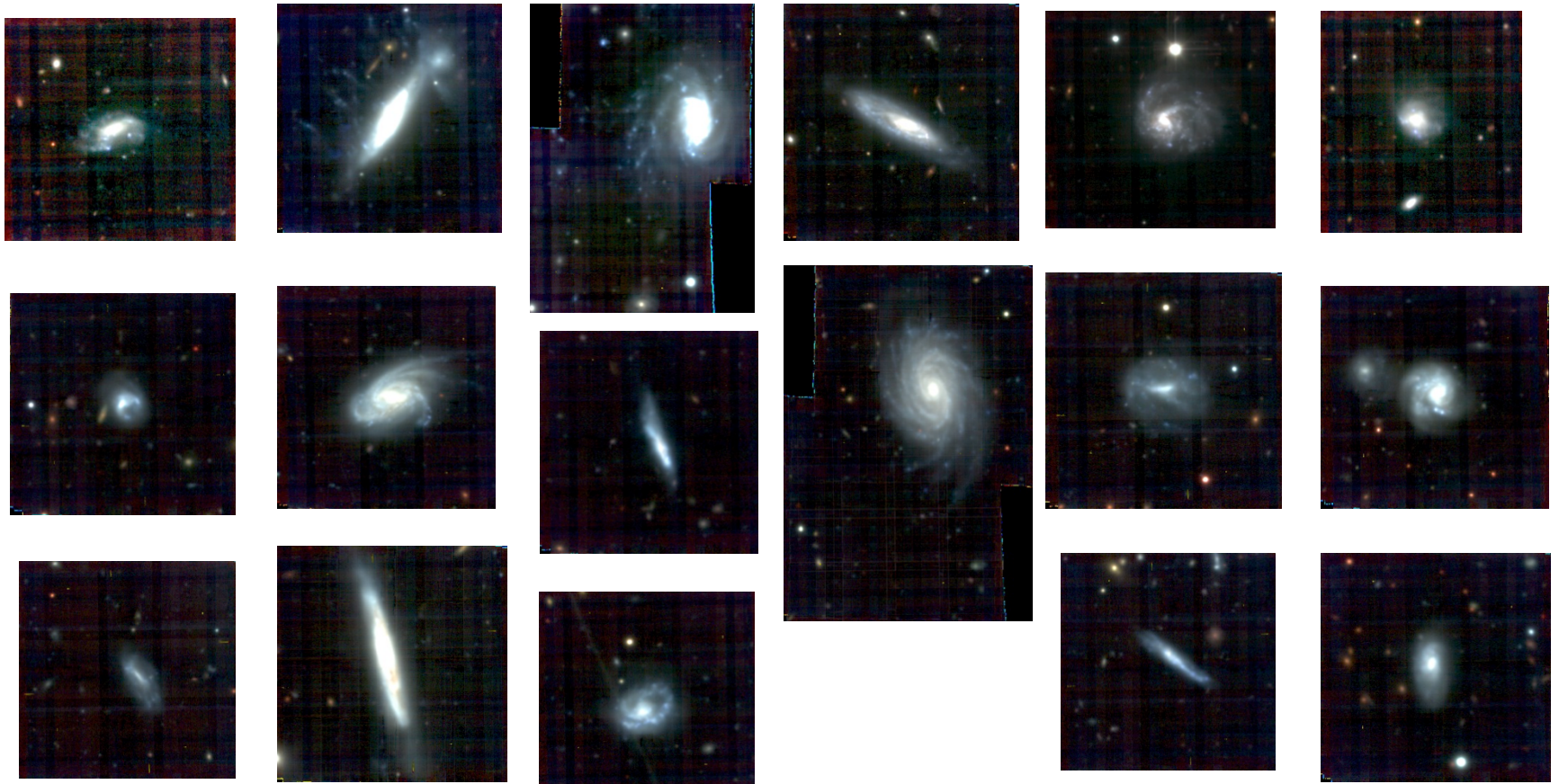
Quantify the amount of **star formation** involved and understand the effects on **galaxy quenching and evolution** in general

# GASP's science questions



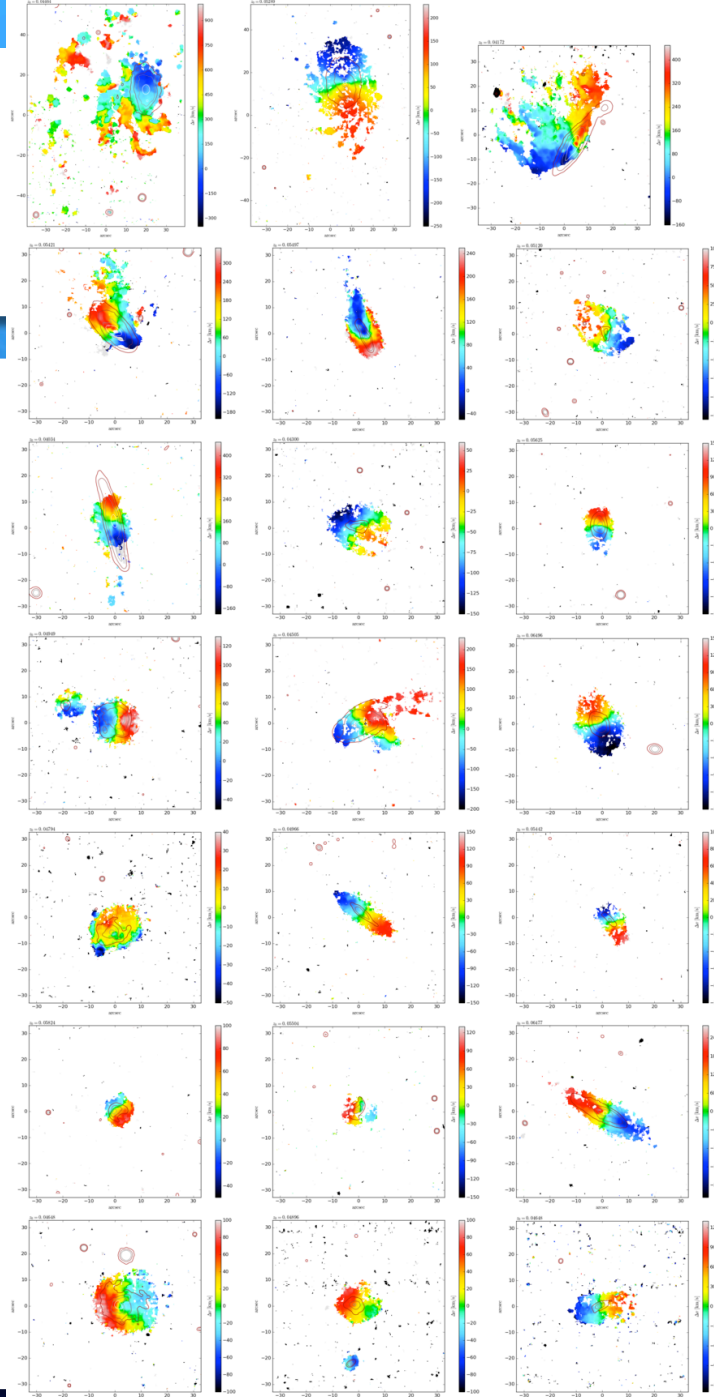
- ◆ Is gas being removed from galaxy?
- ◆ By what physical process (RPS, tidal, harassment, AGN, SF...)
- ◆ Amount of gas removed – amount of stars formed in the stripped gas
- ◆ SF and SFH within the galaxy and outside of the galaxy – enhanced/suppressed?
- ◆ Timescales involved
- ◆ What is the cause of gas ionization?
- ◆ Metallicity of gas and stars
  
- ◆ Where does gas removal occur (environment)? Where in clusters? Depends on cluster mergers? In groups/low-mass haloes?
- ◆ What galaxy masses are affected by gas removal?
- ◆ What is the role of gas stripping/removal on galaxy transformations (quenching and morphologies)

# GASP gallery (MUSE RGB images)

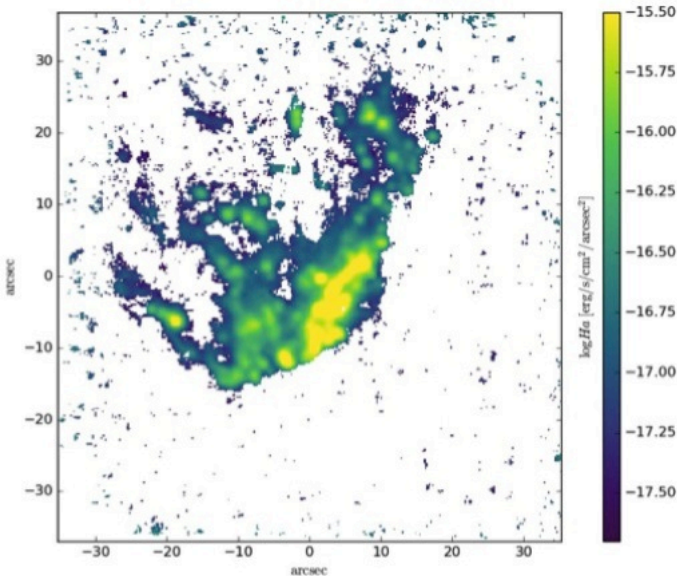


# GASP status

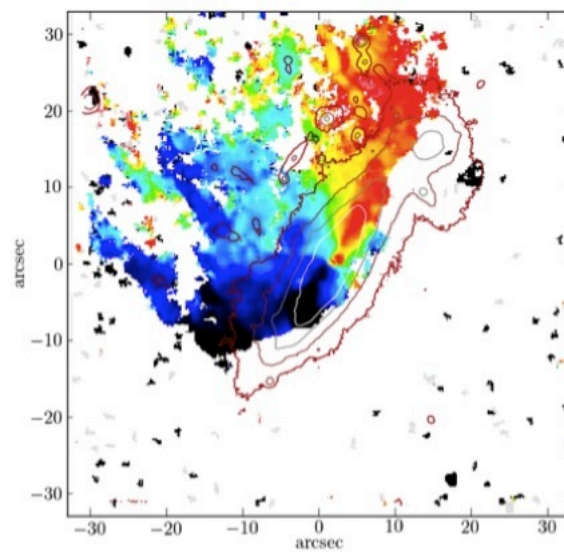
A variety of gas morphologies...



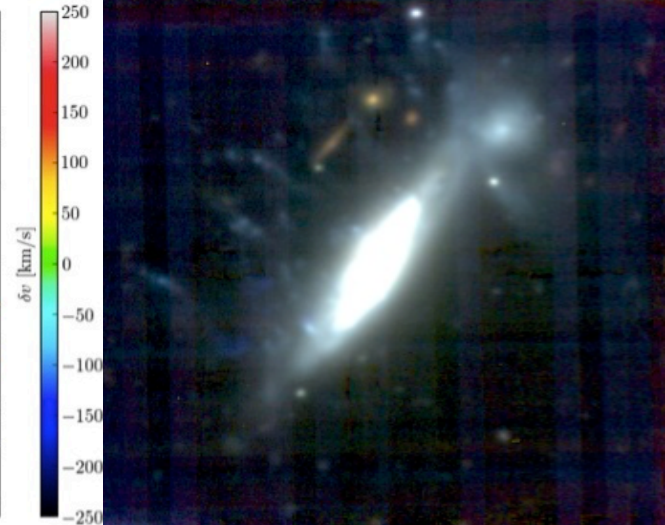
# JO204



H $\alpha$  map (SN>5)



H $\alpha$  velocity map

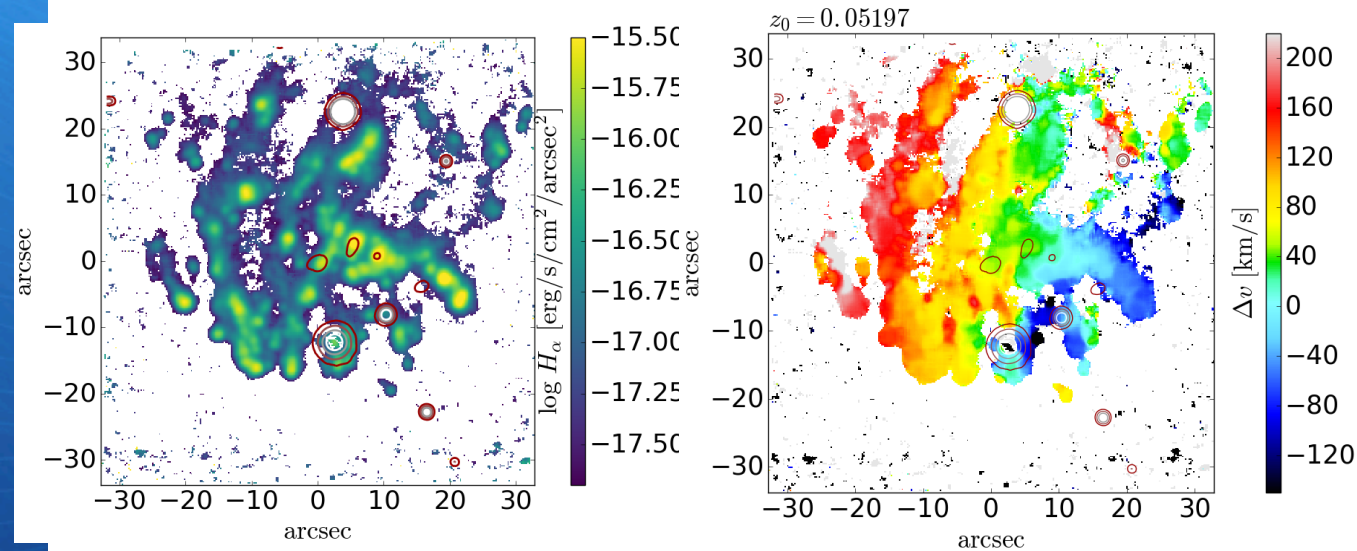


MUSE white image  
(RGB image)

Stellar mass =  $8 \times 10^{10} M_{\text{sun}}$  - Mass similar to JO201, but cluster very different:  
600 km/s,  $L_x = 10^{43.9} \text{ erg/s}$

Poggianti et al. in prep.

# JO171: a stripped Hoag's object?



H $\alpha$  map (SN>5)

H $\alpha$  velocity map

MUSE white image  
(RGB image)

$3 \times 10^{11} M_{\text{sun}}$ , in 1000 km/s cluster undergoing a massive merger, at a radius  $\sim 0.5 R_{200}$

Moretti et al. in prep.

# GASP SUMMARY

- ◆ First systematic search yielded an atlas of 400+ “stripping candidates” in low- $z$  clusters, groups and field (Poggianti et al. 2016)
- ◆ GASP is an ongoing MUSE Large Program to study in great detail ionized gas and stars, in and out of 100 galaxies (stripping candidates + control sample)
- ◆ It is revealing:
  - ◆ the physical process responsible for the observed morphologies
  - ◆ the physics of that process
  - ◆ where and on what galaxies it happens