



NOIRLab perspective on the future of data archives

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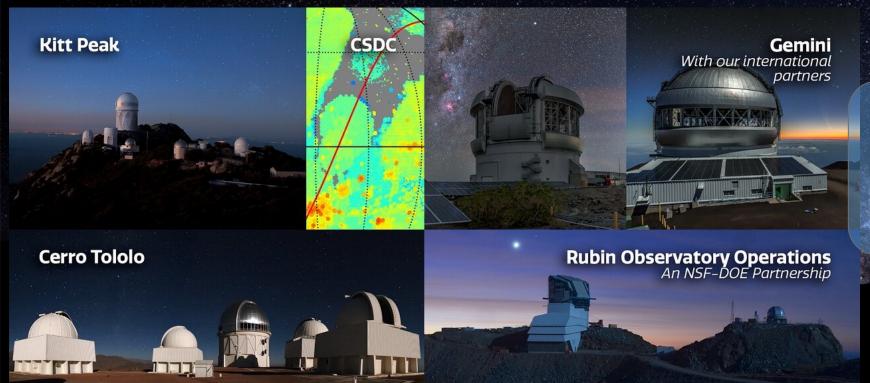
NSF's NOIRLab IAUGA 2022



What is NOIRLab?



- NSF's National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory
- Combines all NSF-funded OIR assets in a single organization
- Launched Oct 2019; full operations as of Oct 2020



"... coordinate and integrate the observational, technical, and data-management capabilities..."



Many partnerships





Exploring the Universe, Sharing its Wonders

NRC-CNRC











- International
- Inter-agency
- Inter-institutional
- Public-private
- Community-based

USELTP

Diverse partners, diverse archive needs













DARK ENERGY SPECTROSCOPIC INSTRUMENT

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GIANT MAGELLAN
TELESCOPE



VERA C. RUBIN





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Big surveys and big data



Unprecedented data-driven research opportunities

→ bring massive data sets together

Explosion of time-domain science

→ infrastructure to enable real-time follow-up

Spectroscopy to unlock astrophysics

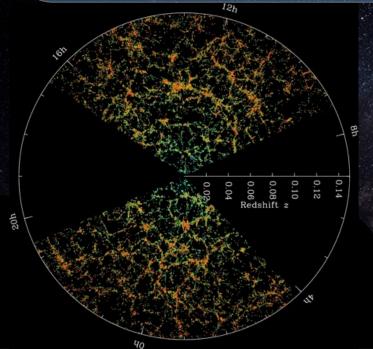
→ new software for data reduction and analysis

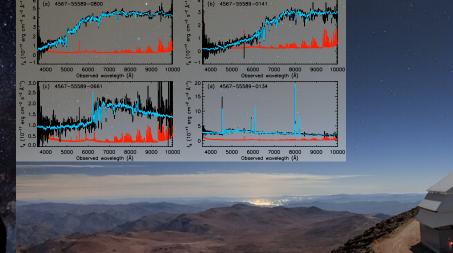












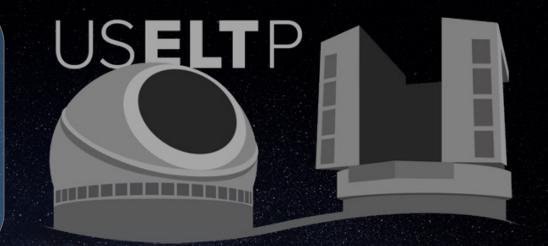


Inclusive science in the ELT era



US Extremely Large Telescope Program

- Highest Decadal priority for US ground-based OIR astronomy
- Goal: major US federal investment in both TMT and GMT to enable significant open-access observing time on both telescopes



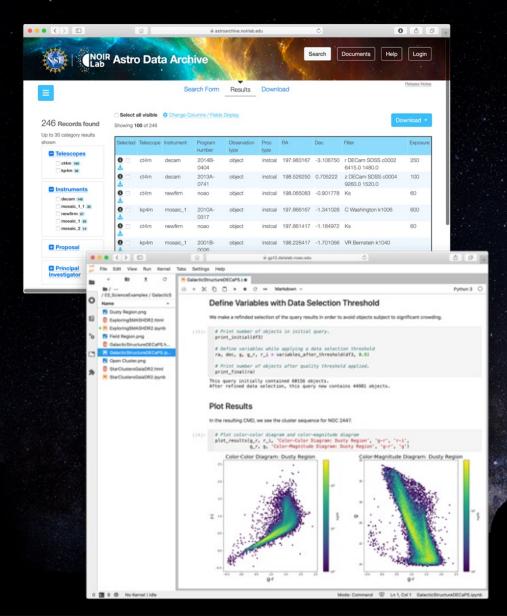
NOIRLab role: make GMT+TMT research accessible to all scientists

- Flexible and accessible observing program design
- Open collaborations for Key Science Projects
- Integrated approach to data products and archiving



Archives play many roles





PI data access

User support

Platform for

innovation

Operational data transfer hub

Integration with science platforms

Supporting pipelines and data-product generation

Support for timedomain science analysis

Data discovery & archival research

Hosting contributed data products

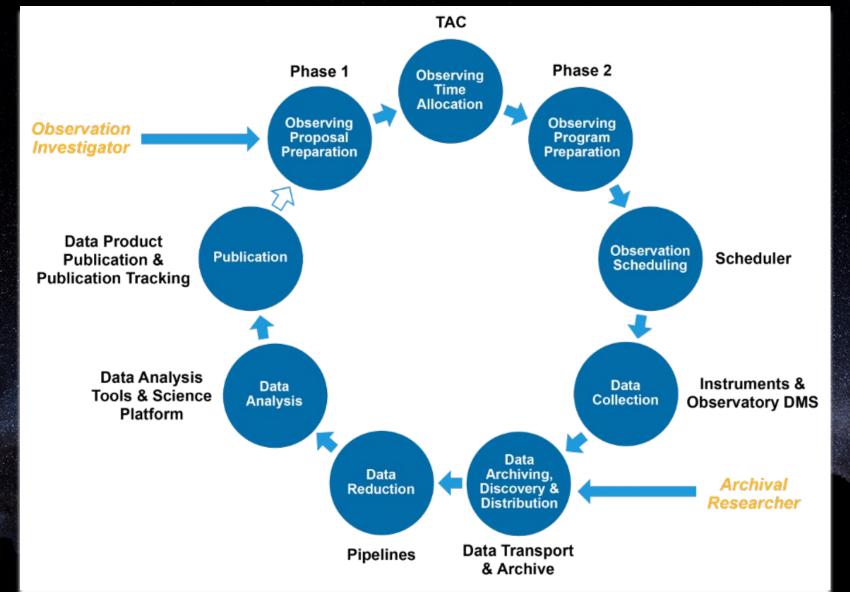
Interoperability with other archives

Long-term stewardship and curation



Powering the cycle of discovery









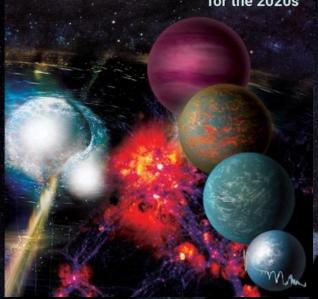
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CONSENSUS STUDY REPORT

Pathways to Discovery in

Astronomy and Astrophysics

for the 2020s



Working together to implement the recommendations of Astro2020 for data and archives in OIR astronomy