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Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory proposes to team with JAXA/ISAS to perform groundbreaking surveys of the Cosmic Dawn with WISH, supply the WISH focal plane consisting of 32 H2RG HgCdTe (0.9 - 5.0 µm) arrays, and to operate the U.S. WISH Data Center

WISH Scientific Program

- Unveiling the Cosmic Dawn and the Evolution of the Universe: Wide field and deep surveys from 1 – 4 µm to study the first generation (z = 8 - 15) of galaxies, revealing their distribution and properties from the cosmic Dark Ages through Reionization.
- Expansion history of the universe and dark energy using a large sample of Type Ia supernovae observed in their rest frame H-band emission.
- Galaxy formation and evolution at 0 < z < 4 using a very wide area near-infrared survey.
- Other science: Galactic structure and star formation, exoplanets.





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2×2 mosaic of four H2RG arrays

2010 Decadal Science	WISH Surveys						
Addressed by WISH	Survey	Filters (µm)	Area (deg ²)	Depth (So) (AB mag)	Duration (years)	Science Objectives	
hat objects lit up the Universe,	Ultra-Deep (UDS)	1.0, 1.4, 1.8, 2.3, 3.0	100	28	3.48	Galaxies at 8<2<15; Type ta SN	
w has the Universe evolved	Ultra-Deep 4µm (UDS-II)	UDS+4.0	10 (within UDS)	28	0.24	Galaxies at 8<2<15; Type Ia SN	
er time?" ow do stars and planets form?"	Ultra-Wide (UWS)	1.0, 1.4, 1.8, 2.3, 3.0, 4.0	1000	25	0.24	Quatians z > 7; Evolution of galaxies 0 < z < 4	
hat are other planetary systems ?"	Extreme (ES)	10, 14, 18, 2.3, 3.0	0.24	29.5	0.13	Faint end of luminosity function 1D < z < 15	

B. WISH MISSION FACT SHEET - Continued



Fundomental Objective: "Understand the origin of the universeand processes associated with galaxy, stellar and planetary system formation and evolution" (SALMON-2 PEA-L p3)		Scientific Measurement Requirements		Instrument Functional Requirements	Projected Performance	Mission Functional Requirements
Science Goals (National Academy Decodal:2020 Fiston "The Big Questions")	Science Objectives	Observables	Physical Parameters	(3-tr sensitivity limits everywhere)	(all the functional requirements are achieved in the sur- veys: see Table D2)	(Top Level)
"What objects lit up the Universe, and when?"	Identify the first galaxies (§D2.1.1, 2.4) Trace the Epoch of Reionization and contributions of early galaxies (§D2.1, 2.2)	galaxies and	near infrared spectral	maximum depth to 29.5mag AB between Jarn and 3µm, to 28mag AB at 4µm; diffraction- limited imaging; 128 relifies inferent pixels;	up to -100 galaxies at z - 15 -10 ⁸ galaxies at z > 8	1.5-m aperture; 5-year mission; 1.2 orbit; <0.03* tracking; passive cooling of contine to 1000C;
	Trace the development of active galactic ratclei and supermassive black holes (§D2.3) Measure evolution in the UV laminosity	quasars 8<2<15	and Lyman breaks	 6 photometric filters; lorge area surveys (up to 1000 deg²) 	>200 quasars at z > 7	128Mpixel FPAs passively cooled to 46K with milli-K
"How has the Universe evolved cover	function beyond z-8 (§D2.1.1, 2.4)					calibration to 5%,
time?"	Constrain cosmic acceleration (§D2.1.2)	supernovae to 253	rest-frame H-band light-curves of Type Ia SNe	cadenced multi-band imaging to 26.6mag AB	~3000 SNe to z~1	stability to 1 milli- mag/week;
Secondary Science Goals:	Reveal properties of obscured young	protostars in dark	near infrared spectral energy distributions	depth (in galactic plane) to 223mag AB; 7 filters	-10 ⁴ protostars;	0.24 deg* instan- taneous FOV; seven photometric
planets form?"	environments (§D2.6.1)	clouds	disks; stellar cluster- ing; ice features	1µm-5µm; 128Mpix detectors; 500 deg ² survey	ice features	filters; 96GB data storage
"What are other planetary systems like?"	Detect exoplanets in microlensing survey; characterize known exoplanets (§D2.6.1)	light-eurves in 1- Sµm filter bands	microlensing events; transits	1-5µm response; 128Mpix	~1000 planets and free-floaters	

Table D3. Traceability Matrix

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Table D1. Comparison of WISH to the Euclid, WFIRST, and JWST Missions						
	Euclid ^a	WFIRST (DRM1) ^b	$\textbf{WFIRST}\left(\text{NRO}\right)^{c}$	JWST	WISH	
Mirror	1.2m	1.3m	2.4m	6.5 m	1.5m	
FOV	0.55 deg ²	0.375 deg ²	0.375 deg ²	0.0026 deg ²	0.24 deg ²	
Visible Imager	0.55 – 0.90 µm			0.6 – 2.3 µm		
NIR Imager	0.92 – 2.0 μm	0.73 – 2.4 μm	$0.92 - 2.0 \mu{ m m}$	2.4 – 5 µm	0.90 – 5.0 μm	
Lim. Mag. (5a)	24 AB	26 AB	27.5 AB	29.1 AB d	28 AB °	
Survey Area	15,000 deg ²	3,400 deg ²	~ 3,400 deg ²	0.044 deg ^{2 d}	100 deg ² "	
NIR Spectroscopy	1.1 – 2.0 µm		Grism 1.3 – 2.0 μm	Grism 2.4 – 5.0 μm	Grism Option 1 – 5 µm	
Primary Science	Dark Energy, Dark Matter	Dark Energy, Exoplanets, Deep NIR Surveys	Dark Energy, Exoplanets, Deep NIR Surveys	First Galaxies	First Galaxies, Reionization, Galactic Science	

^a [27]; ^b Green et al. [35]; ^c Dressler et al. [22]; ^d JWST NIRCam Mosaic of the Chandra Deep Field South [44]; ^c WISH Ultra-Deep Survey; the WISH Extreme Survey reaches 29.5 AB mag within 0.24 deg².

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Fig. D-1. Comparison of WISH survey sensitivity and areal coverage to that of other surveys in the critical $2.5-5 \ \mu m$ band that enables characterization of high-z galaxies (especially those at z > 12) and rest H band detections of 0.5 < z < 1.5 SNe (Sections D2.1 and 2.2). Green circles show the WISH surveys (Sections D2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4). The shaded area encompasses surveys conducted by the Spitzer/IRAC. Although not shown because its area is too small, the Ultra-Deep Field Imaging Survey from the JWST DRM will reach ~ 31.5 AB mag (10σ) over 0.0027 deg².

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Table D2. Prime WISH Surveys

	Depth (5ơ) (AB Mag.)	Area (deg ²)	Center Wavelengths (µm)	Survey Time [®] (years)	Proposal Section
Ultra-Deep Survey (UDS)	28	100	1.0, 1.4, 1.8, 2.3, 3.0	3.48	D2.1
Ultra-Deep Survey, 4µm (UDS-II)	28	10 ^b	UDS + 4.0	0.24	D2.2
Ultra-Wide Survey (UWS)	25	1,000	1.0, 1.4, 1.8, 2.3, 3.0, 4.0	0.24	D2.3
Extreme Survey (ES)	29.5	0.24	1.0, 1.4, 1.8, 2.3, 3.0	0.13	D2.4

¹ Assumes 85% observing efficiency toward the ecliptic pole, a QE of 70%, a dark current of 0.05 e⁻/s, a read noise of 15 e⁻ (for N=1, CDS), a throughput of 74%, and Fowler 4 sampling (see Section E1.3); ^b Within the UDS field.

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WISH SNe Search Proposal. I.



Fig. D-7. Left: Variation in peak SN Ia magnitude as a function of wavelength, based on simulations [46]. Note the small dispersion in the NIR and particularly the H band. Right: Contours of best-fit magnitudes and dispersions for nearby SNe at J, H, and K_s, confirming the models[64]. The inner contours (95% probability) for H-band observations span 0.11 ± 0.03 mag; the corresponding values for J and K_s are 0.17 ± 0.03 , and 0.19 ± 0.04 mag, respectively.

WISH excels at 0.5 < z < 1.0 (rest-H) Low instrinsic scatter, low systematics

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WISH SNe Search Proposal. II.

 Design UDS to facilitate SNe Search? Repeat observations of 'tiles' 12 times 9X `early,' 3X `late' Rotate filters in each tile; use full UDS set 14-day cadence to cover SN rise time Single-epoch depth: 26.6 AB mag, 5σ \sim 750 SNe Ia in each $\Delta z=0.1$ over z=0.5-1.0with $\sigma < 0.25$ mag Better reduction of systematics than any other IR SNe survey

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Fig. F-2. WISH and SAO-WISH Project Schedules

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SAO-WISH Science Team

Giovanni Fazio – SAO WISH P. I.

- Gary Melnick SAO WISH Deputy P. I.
 - will assist Dr. Fazio in leading the SAO science team,
 - develop the survey observing plans
 - Matthew Ashby

- US lead for source extraction, bandmerging, catalog construction, and identification of highredshift sources in the WISH surveys.
- Help establish the US-WDC
- FPA testing
- Joseph Hora
 - lead FPA test effort at SAO
 - support the science survey planning
 - data reduction and analysis techniques
 - Galactic science programs.
- Howard Smith
 - science and data programs
 - direct the US-WDC.
- Volker Tolls
 - FPA testing, develop on-ground science tests
 - on-orbit check-out and performance monitoring
 - Galactic science programs.

- Zhong Wang
 - Participate in FPA testing
 - oversee the science data pipeline design and implementation
 - statistical analysis of the faintest galaxy population.
- Steven Willner
 - participate in FPA testing
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 - science analysis of distant galaxies and active galactic nuclei.
- Daniel Eisenstein
 - study of intermediate and high-redshift galaxies with WISH, focusing on the impact of large-scale structure.
- Lars Hernquist
 - participate in the interpretation of the observations
 - perform cosmological simulations of galaxy and structure formation.
- Avi Loeb
 - will develop state-of-the-art models of highredshift galaxies in the WISH wavelength range.

SAO Proposal Status

 Proposal to NASA prepared in Fall 2012
 Second Stand Alone Missions of Opportunity Notice (SALMON-2) Astrophysics Mission of Opportunity (MO) science investigations through the Explorer Program

- Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) price estimate obtained from Teledyne ~ \$35M
- Science case and Management Plan written, level of effort at SAO determined for FPA testing and science participation
- Proposal submitted in December 2012, total \$59.5M including ~25% reserves
- Decision expected in mid-2013

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Project Schedule Summary





Schedule Detail



FPA Test Flow



H2RG Flight Packaging





FPA Requirements and Margin

FPA Parameter	Requirement	Expected	% Margin
Median read noise	≤15 e-/sec	≤12 e-/sec	25
Median pixel-pixel crosstalk	≤4 %	≤2%	100
Median quantum efficiency	≥70%	≥80%	14
Median dark current	≤0.05 e-/sec	≤0.01 e-/sec	400
Median well capacity	≥65000	≥85000 e-	30
Inoperable pixels	≤5%	≤1%	400

Time Requirements for Surveys

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FPA testing at SAO

All FPAs will be screened at Teledyne
 Must meet procurement specs in order to deliver

- Each FPA will be tested at SAO to confirm performance, tune parameters to optimize for individual ASIC operation
- Subset of FPAs will be tested for
 - more extensive exploration of detector characteristics: point source response, bright source effects, etc.
 - development and verification of flight ASIC code
 - interface to WISH electronics

Low Background Tests

 "Dark Dewar" with arrays in 2x2 configuration For testing low background operation Read noise Dark current Simple flood illumination of detectors to measure Operability Radiometric stability Quantum efficiency Uniformity Linearity Well depth Residual images

Spot Illumination Tests

- Second test facility will provide focused point sources on the arrays, wheel for filters in 1-5 µm range
- Detector parameters to be measured:
 - Quantum efficiency
 - Linearity
 - Well depth
 - Residual images
 - Radiometric stability
 - ASIC readout modes and functionality (e.g. windowing and guide modes)
 - Crosstalk inter-pixel and between SCAs in the 2 × 2 configuration

FPA Characterization

 Operate FPAs in flight-like modes – pointing, guiding, science frame readout • Use flight ASIC code, WISH electronics simulator Effects of guiding windows on science data Crosstalk between arrays Perform optimization of biases, operating modes