# An ALMA view of galaxies in the Epoch of Reionisation

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# Galaxies in the EoR



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#### Spectroscopic confirmation of galaxies in the EoR



#### ALMA as a 'redshift machine'

Uncertainty in photometric redshift requires a (long) scan of the frequency range



# Spitzer: high-equivalent width [OIII] lines



- Large fraction of sources (~50%) show
   'extreme' emission lines
- UV-selected galaxies are likely metal poor (hard stellar radiation fields) or high sSFR (recent starburst)

### Emission line signatures of Ha, [OIII]



Smit et al. 2015

# Spectroscopic redshifts with ALMA



First UV-selected galaxies to be confirmed in the EoR with ALMA

Smit et al., 2018, Nature



#### First low-resolution kinematic measurements



Smit et al., 2018, Nature

### UV sizes of LBGs

Even for bright LBGs the sizes of z>6 are typically <1kpc



Bowler et al., 2017



Holwerda et al. 2015

#### First low-resolution kinematic measurements



Smooth accretion from the cosmic web as an important mechanism for galaxy growth at z~7?

Smit et al., 2018, Nature

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Smit et al., 2018, Nature

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z~7 [CII] emitters appear to have similar kinematics to z~2 Hα emitting galaxies

Smit et al., 2018, Nature

# Simulation predictions for [CII]



Pallottini, et al., 2017;2019

Simulations predict highly time variable morphologies, but ordered rotation is common



Katz, et al., 2019

see also Pawlik et al. 2011, Romano-Diaz et al. 2011, Feng et al. 2015

# Zooming in on a 'typical' LBG



Deep, modest resolution ALMA imaging of a galaxy with SFR<sub>UV</sub> ~ 19 M<sub>☉</sub>/yr, SFR<sub>IR</sub> ~ 16 M<sub>☉</sub>/yr

Smit, et al., in prep

#### Zooming in on a gas disk with ALMA



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#### ALMA kinematics limited to available samples



# REBELS: an ALMA Cycle 7 LP

- REBELS: Reionization
  Era Bright Emission
  Line Survey
- 70 hr scanning 40
  bright LBGs for [CII] / [OIII] at 6.5<z<9.5</li>

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# Summary

- ALMA is starting to fulfil it's promise as 'redshift machine' for the first generations of galaxies
- Dust continuum and [CII] can show markedly different morphologies from their UV counterparts
- First [CII] kinematics suggest smooth accretion might contribute significantly to galaxy growth
- First modest spectroscopic samples might soon become available with the upcoming REBELS program

## [OIII] alignment with the UV



Smit, et al., in prep

#### Dynamical masses

