

# The Gaia-ESO Survey, its legacy, and new perspectives

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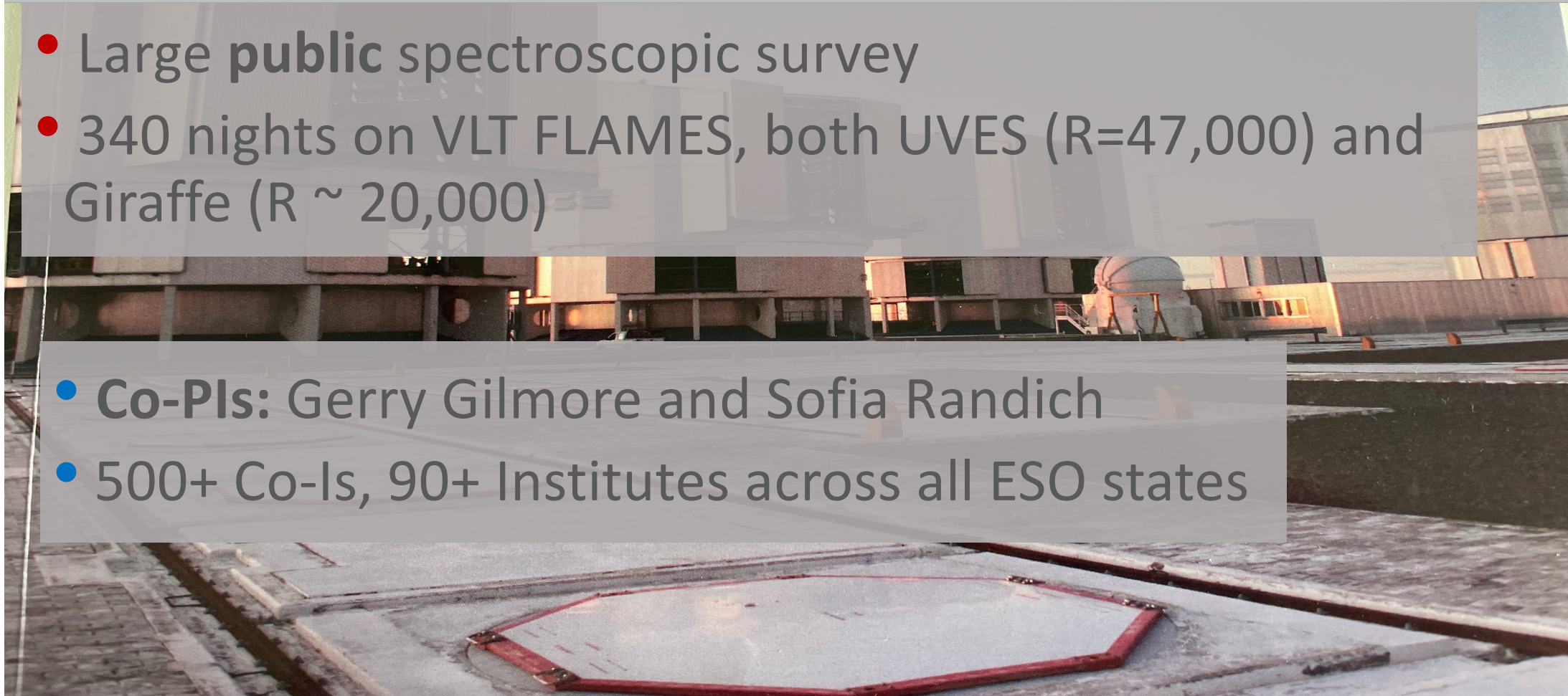
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# *Gaia-ESO*

## *From 2010 to 2023: a long journey across the sky*

- Large **public** spectroscopic survey
- 340 nights on VLT FLAMES, both UVES ( $R=47,000$ ) and Giraffe ( $R \sim 20,000$ )
- **Co-PIs:** Gerry Gilmore and Sofia Randich
- 500+ Co-Is, 90+ Institutes across all ESO states



# *The unique characteristics of Gaia-ESO*

## Observations and sample

- largest on a 8m class telescope →
- “only” 190,000 spectra, 114,000+ stars, but  $V=19$
- all stellar-types: O to M, PMS to giants –by design-
- Instrument/grating optimized for the target type
- specific focus on open clusters well sampling the age- $d_{\text{Sun}}$ - $R_{\text{GC}}$ -mass space, sizeable samples of members

## Advanced products (besides stellar parameters)

- RVs (down to 0.2 km/s) and  $v_{\text{sin}i}$ 's
- abundances of up to 32 elements
- the broadest Li dataset
- mass accretion and stellar activity tracers
- cluster probability membership (GES+*Gaia*)
- a system of quality flags
- the UVES high res. sample remains of the highest quality

## Strategy and methodology

- Gaia-ESO linelist – now widely used
- Involve many spectroscopic analysis methods –more methods means more information
- → systematic errors and random errors
- first that implemented a calibration strategy: internal and external calibrators
- final homogenization – bootstrap everything onto *Gaia* benchmark stars





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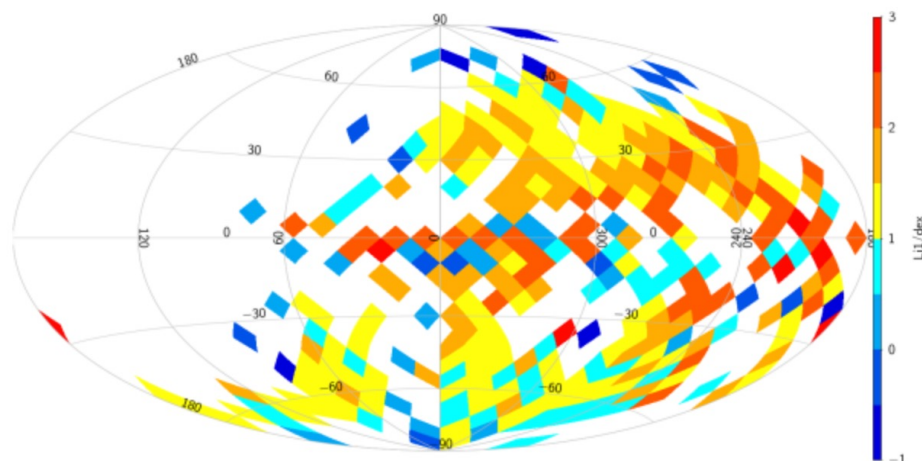
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## Final Data Release (5.1) of the Gaia-ESO Public Spectroscopic Survey

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+ CDS

Utilizing the UVES and GIRAFFE instruments, this comprehensive survey has encompassed all major components of the Milky Way, systematically studying 114,916 stars. The observed robust samples have enabled detailed observations of bulge, thick and thin disks, halo components, and open star clusters of various ages and Galactocentric distances.

The survey has provided an unprecedented, homogeneous overview of kinematic distributions and elemental abundances, significantly enhancing our understanding of Galactic and stellar evolution. Coupled with Gaia astrometry, this data helps quantify the formation history and evolution of Galactic populations across diverse stages, providing individual elemental abundances in each star, offering precise radial velocities for a 6-D kinematic phase-space, mapping kinematic gradients and abundances, and tracking the life cycle of open clusters as they populate the disk.

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## **The Gaia-ESO Public Spectroscopic Survey: motivation, implementation, GIRAFFE data processing, analysis, final data products★**

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## **The Gaia-ESO Public Spectroscopic Survey: Implementation, data products, open cluster survey, science, and legacy.★**

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Worley et al. 2024

Hourihane et al. 2023

Franciosini et al. 2022

Bragaglia et al. 2022

Jackson et al. 2011

Heiter et al. 2021

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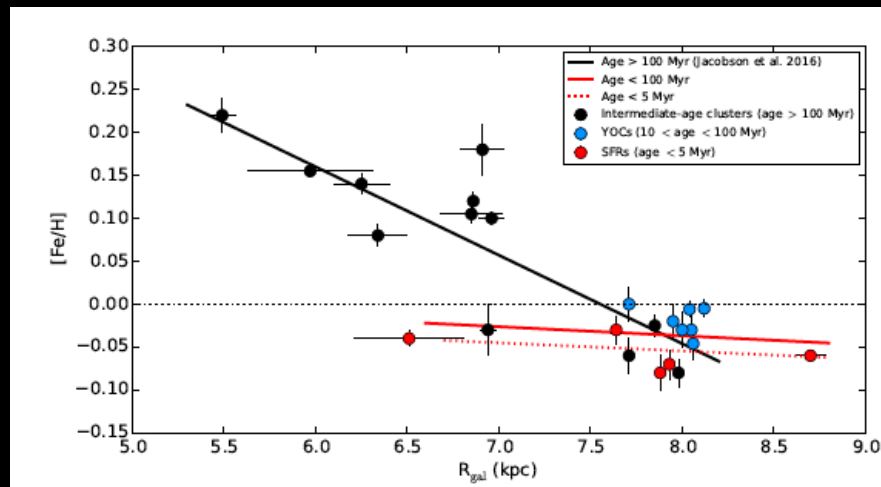


*Results and impact on a variety of areas  
(most of the topics covered in this symposium)*

Focus on the thin disk, two recent results, topics  
not well covered in other talks, **enabled by the  
rich open cluster and abundance dataset**

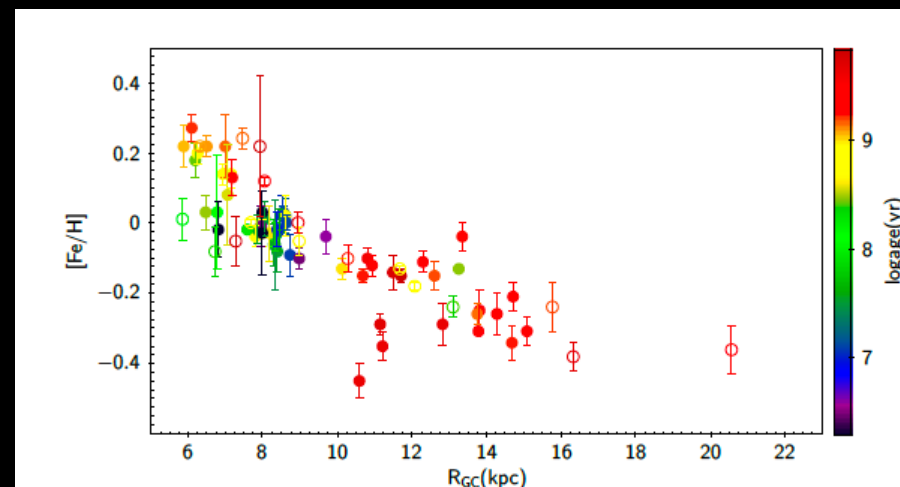
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## Gaia-ESO DR4



Spina et al. (2017)

## Gaia-ESO DR6



Randich et al (2022)

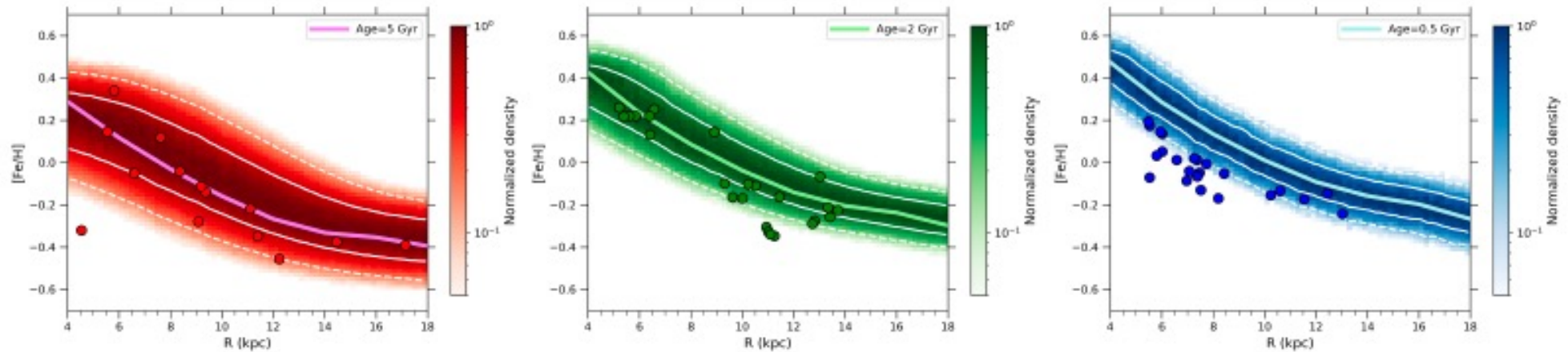
But see the caveats of Baratella et al. (2020), Magrini et al. (2023)



# *The $[Fe/H]$ gradient of young clusters*

two-infall + radial migration

Palla et al. 2024

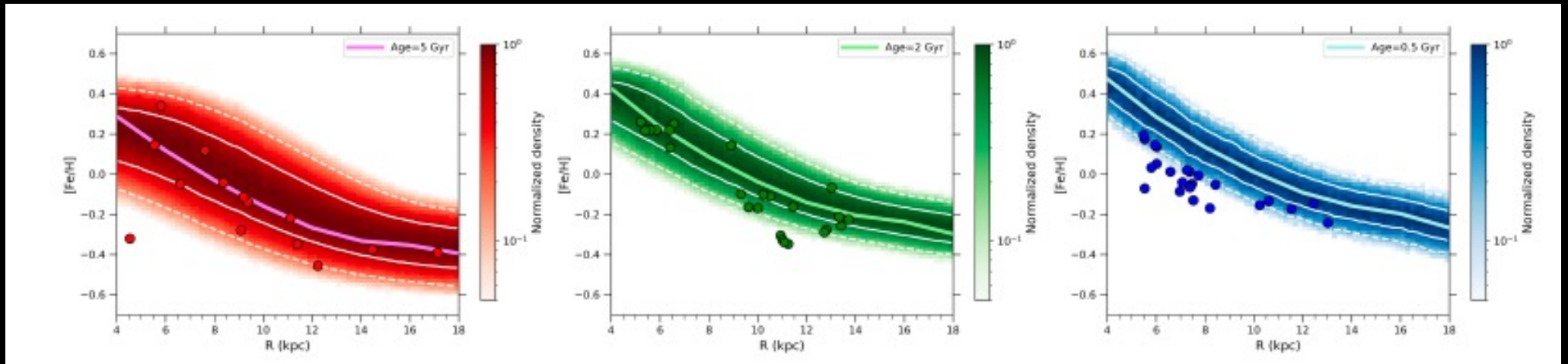


“clean” dataset

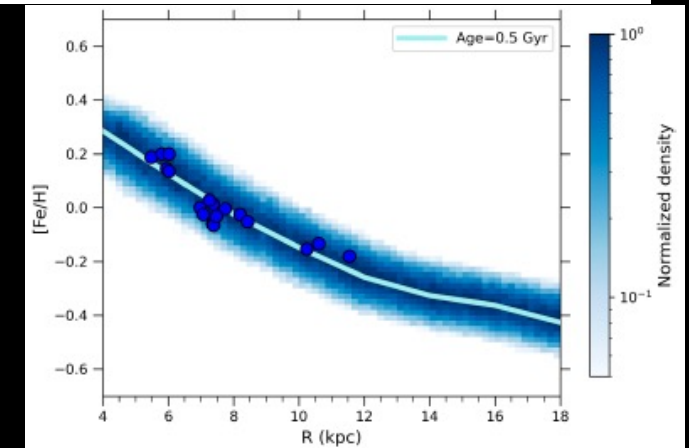
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Three-infall model needed: to explain the observed low metallic content in young clusters, a late gas accretion episode that triggered a metal dilution is proposed

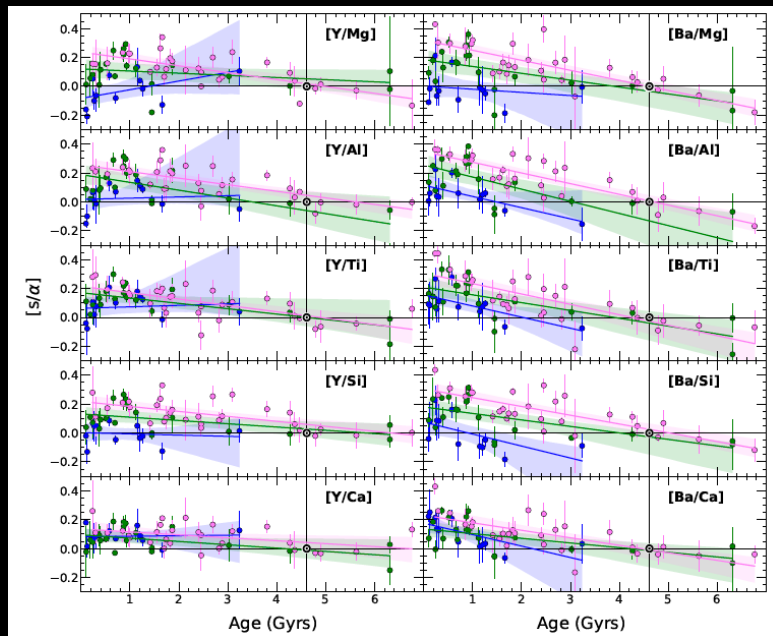


See also Spina+ (2017), Randich+ (2022), Magrini+ (2023), Spitoni + (2023)



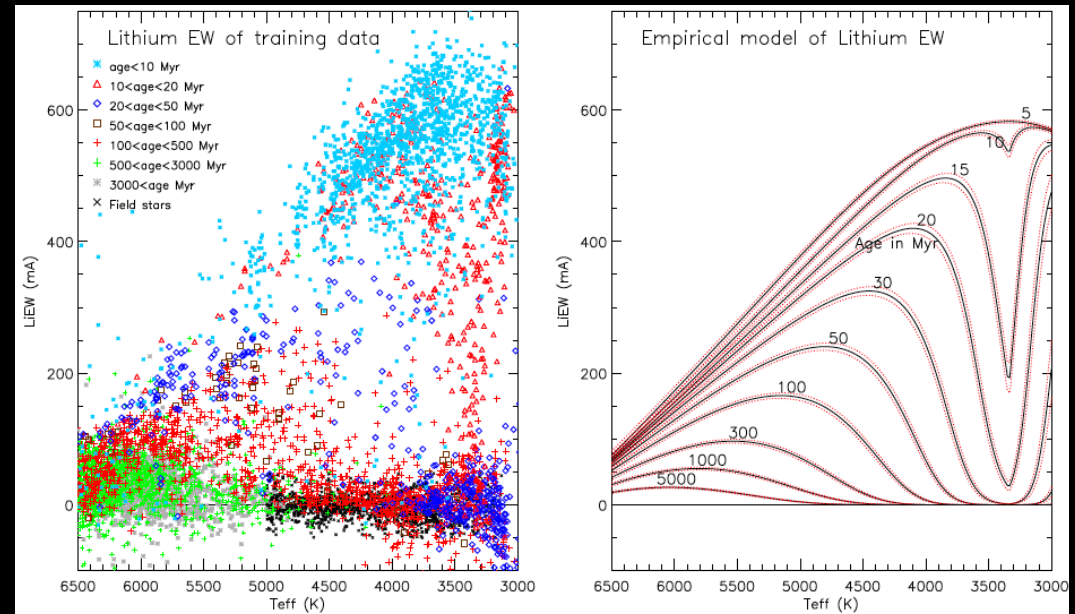
# *Stellar ages and chemical clocks (see also the talk by Tautvaisiene)*

Viscasillas et al. (2022)



age-chemical clock relation,  
but dependence on the  
Galactocentric position

Jeffries et al. (2023)



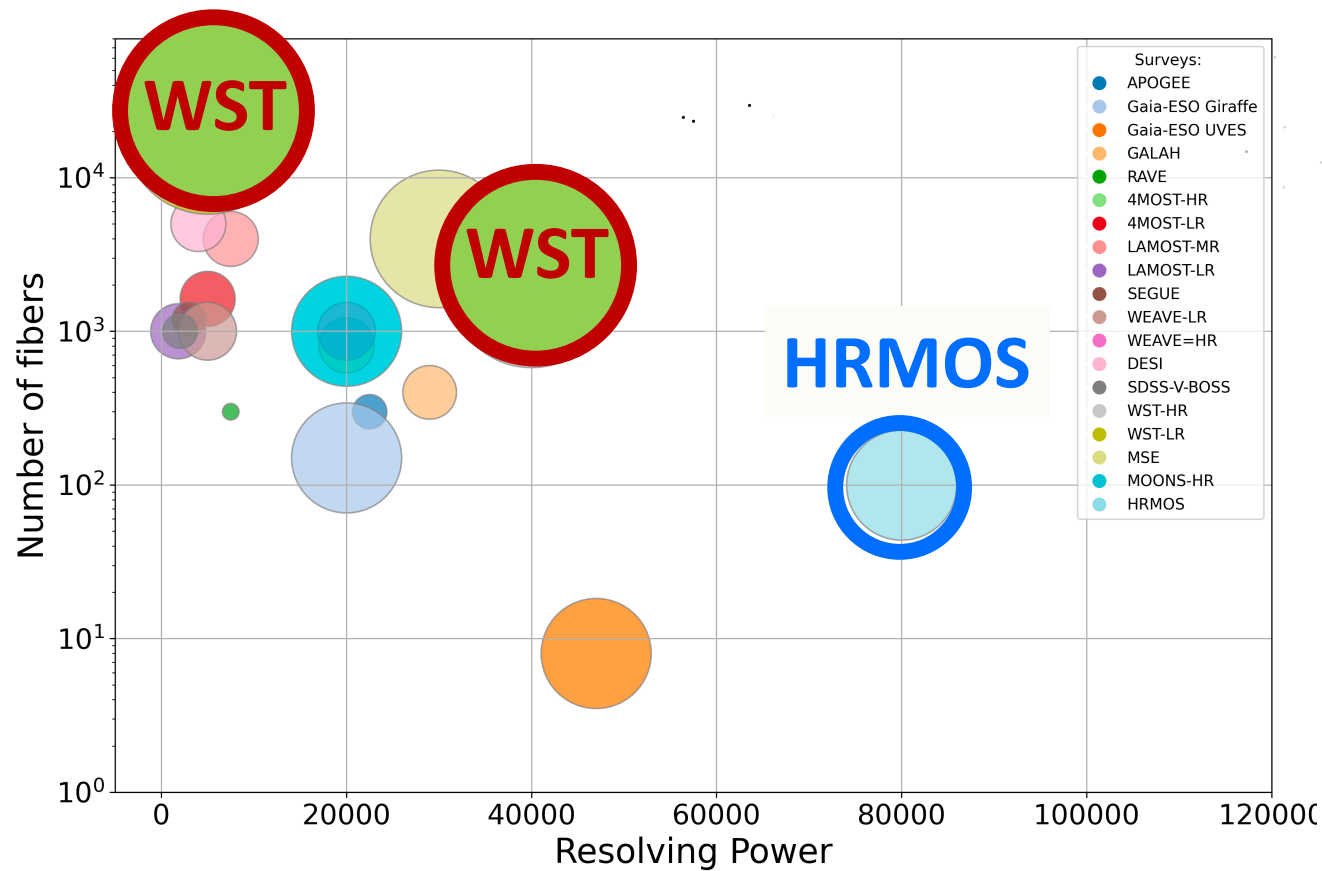
<https://ascl.net/2307.043>

the age probability distribution for a  
star with a given Li EW and Teff

*What's next*



# What's next



★ high res. MOS for the VLT -2030+

★ new spectroscopic facility -2040+

- Complementary
- different timelines



# The Wide-field Spectroscopic Telescope

## Current baseline

PI: R. Bacon

Deputy: S. Randich

Telescope aperture (M1)	12 m seeing limited		
Telescope FoV	3.1 deg <sup>2</sup>		
Telescope Spec. range	0.35-1.6 μm		
Operations	MOS and IFS simultaneous operations ToO implemented at telescope and fibre level		
Modes	MOS-LR	MOS-HR	IFS
FoV	3.1 deg <sup>2</sup>	3.1 deg <sup>2</sup>	3x3 arcmin <sup>2</sup> (mosaic on 9x9 arcmin <sup>2</sup> )
Spectral range (simultaneous)	0.37-0.97 μm	0.37-0.97 μm 3-4 windows	0.37-0.97 μm
Spectral resolution	4000	40000	3500
Multiplexing	20000	2000	



<https://www.wstlescope.com/>

The WST science white paper v1, Mainieri et al, 2024, astro-ph  
194 pages, 214 authors <https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.05398>  
v2 foreseen in 2027-2028

### 3 Exoplanet, Stellar and Galactic Science Case

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- three year concept study funded through Horizon
- it will be proposed at the ESO call for ideas for its next programme after the ELT
- challenge: science vision for the 2040+



# A high resolution MOS for the VLT – HRMOS

[www.hrmos.eu](http://www.hrmos.eu)

## Current baseline (not frozen)

Resolution	R=80,000
Multiplex	40-80
Spectral range	Three windows centered at 390, 520, 660 nm (140 nm simultaneous)
RV precision	10 m/s

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- E. Fernandez Alvar (IAC)
- S. Sousa (IA, Porto)

**to be proposed at the upcoming call for VLT instrumentation**



arXiv:2312.08270v1 [astro-ph.IM] 13 Dec 2023

Magrini, Bensby+, 2023

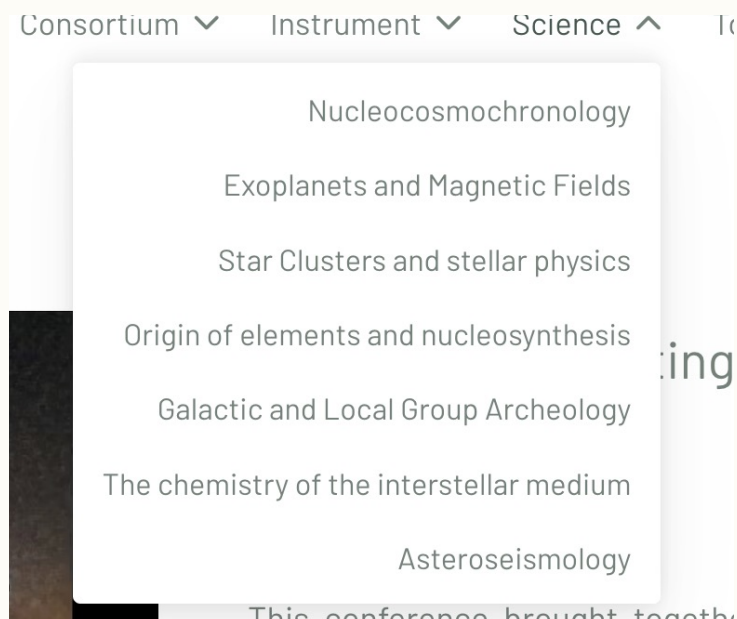
## White Paper Science Motivation v.1

A new high-resolution multi-object  
spectrograph at the ESO VLT

December 14, 2023

White Paper v2, in prep.  
Foreseen in Spring 2025

## Isotopes and more!



## *Summary*

- Thanks to *Gaia* and the ground based spectroscopic surveys we are going through a revolution
- The Gaia-ESO Survey was a precursor
- Gaia-ESO final catalogue public at ESO and CDS
- This decade has plans in place for exponential growth of data + more mature community and new analysis methodologies
- HRMOS (2030+) and WST (2040+) appears key for a further step forward –**get involved! (page on websites)**
- In the meantime....exploit the archives!



