

### Project Status and Opportunities for Scientific Synergy

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# Outline

- Overview of Project
- Science, Organization and Technical Status
- Scientific Outreach
- Next Steps and Project Schedule
- Synergy and Cooperation





# **Observatory Overview**

- Seven 8.4m segments
- 25.4 m diameter pupil
- f/8.2 system 1mm/arcsec
- 360 sq. meters area
- 2 Reflections to the focus
- 20' corrected field of view
- Angular resolution:

10 mas at 1 micron

• Site: Las Campanas, Chile



NB: Cost is ~\$250,000 per night

# Science & Organization





### Scientific Motivation

**Top-Level Science Areas** 

- Extra-solar planets
- Stellar Populations and Chemistry
- Galaxy Building
- Black Hole Growth
- Cosmological Physics
- First-Light & Reionization



*Three Legs of the GMT Science Case:* 

- Discovery Space
- -Contemporary Science Goals
- Synergy





### **Scientific Motivation**











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### **GMT** Institutions



# Telescope





Moving mass (azimuth + elevation) = 1,261 metric tons Fixed mass (track) = 168 metric tons GMT

# **Telescope Optics: 3 configurations**



| Configuration                    | Field of view | Instruments   |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---|
| Direct Gregorian<br>Narrow Field | 10 arcmin     | Wide-field spectrograph                                     |
| Folded Port                      | 3 arcmin      | High-resolution spectrograph<br>Adaptive optics instruments |
| Direct Gregorian<br>Wide Field   | 20 arcmin     | MANIFEST fiber feed   |



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# **Primary Mirror Segment Production**

- GMT2
  - Rear surface processing completed
- GMT3
  - Clean out of core materials completed
  - Rear surface generating to start soon
- GMT4
  - Casting date: March 2015
- GMT5
  - Glass deliveries begun



# Adaptive Optics & Scientific Instruments



Picture-Snapping Machine RUBE GOLDBERG (tm) RGI 074



## **Adaptive Optics Strategy**

Integral to the telescope: No extra reflections, no extra background

Adaptive Optics Modes:

- Natural guide star high-Strehl (95% Strehl)
- Laser guide star high sky coverage
- Ground layer correction with natural guide stars







# Phasing the GMT Mirrors

- Phasing Camera senses fringes across the segments gaps in the IR
- Achieves 50nm rms precision
- Continuous observation of natural guide stars
- 97% sky coverage at the galactic poles





Simulated GMT Imaging of Exoplanets



GMT will image giant planets to ≈150 pc and Earth analogs at < 10pc



## First Generation Instruments

| Instrument / Mode               | Capabilities                                     | λ Range,<br>μm | Resolution                         | Field of View                |
|---------------------------------|--|----------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| G-CLEF / NS, GLAO               | Optical High Resolution<br>Spectrograph / PRV    | 0.35 – 0.95    | 20 – 100K                          | 7 x 0.7,1.2"<br>fibers       |
| GMACS / NS, GLAO                | Wide-Field Optical Multi-<br>Object Spectrograph | 0.36 – 1.0     | 1,500 – 4,000<br>(10K w/ MANIFEST) | 40-60 arcmin <sup>2</sup>    |
| <b>GMTIFS</b> / LTAO,<br>NGSAO  | NIR AO-fed IFS / Imager                          | 0.9 – 2.5      | 5,000 & 10,000                     | 10 / 400 arcsec <sup>2</sup> |
| <b>GMTNIRS</b> / NGSAO,<br>LTAO | JHKLM AO-fed High<br>Resolution Spectrograph     | 1.2 – 5.0      | 50K, 100K                          | 1.2" long-slit               |
| MANIFEST* / NS,<br>GLAO         | Facility Robotic Fiber<br>Feed                   | 0.36 – 1.0     |                                    | 20' diameter                 |



Instrument are mounted below the central primary mirror segment

Exception: Gravity invariant focal station on the azimuth disk





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## **GMTIFS AO Imager & IFU**

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- Example Imager Slicer
- From MIRI (JWST)

# Builds on successful NIFS and GSAOI instruments on Gemini

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Visible Light Multi-Object Spectrograph

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Figure 9-46. Detailed optical layout for the blue camera. The final element (labeled FS, for fused silica) serves as the window to the CCD Dewar.

In Conceptual Design

Phase

Texas A&M, Carnegie

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#### R = 1,000 – 5,000 Multi-Object Spectrograph

Core Science: Galaxy evolution, First-light, Transient Sources, IGM/ICM, Dwarf Galaxy Dynamics

# Site

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# Scientific Outreach

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We propose an alternative path that will engage the U.S. community in the GMT in the years before NSF is ready to take significant actions. We want to demonstrate to the NSF, to the US community, and to potential international partners that we are open to their participation and seek to align our actions with their goals.

We have community representatives on our Scientific Advisory Committee to help shape the technical and scientific program for the GMT.....We will use our own GMT funding, at the \$250,000 scale proposed by the NSF, to enlist the participation of the broad and deep U.S. community.

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# Community Reps on the GMT SAC

#### WINTER 2013

#### POSTED ON JANUARY 1, 2013

#### **GMTO Welcomes New Community SAC Members**

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Figure 1. New GMT community SAC members Bob Blum, Julianne Dalcanton and Megan Donahue (left to right).

GMT welcomes Bob Blum (NOAO), Julianne Dalcanton (U. Washington) and Megan Donahue (Michigan State) to the Scientific Advisory Committee. They provide fresh perspective on key scientific issues, broaden participation from the larger community, and spread the word about progress with GMT

outside the partner institutions. Their areas of interest include massive star formation, stellar populations in external galaxies, and x-ray studies of galaxy clusters.

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# 2014 Community Science Meeting

Transient Phenomena in Astronomy & Astrophysics

Dates: October 6-8, 2014 Venue: Washington, DC Smithsonian Museum of the American Indian Banquet at Willard's Hotel

No Conference or Banquet Fee! Travel support for students & postdocs

www.gmtconference.org

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### 2014 Science Meeting

SPEAKERS (Partial List) Rebecca Bernstein (GMTO) Josh Bloom (Berkeley)\* Hsiao-Wen Chen (Chicago) Ryan Chornock (Ohio U) Brad Cenko (GSFC) Selma de Mink (STScl) George Djorgovski (Caltech) Wen-fai Fong (Harvard/Arizona) Neil Gehrels (GSFC) Chad Hanna (Perimeter)

Andy Howell (LCOGT)

Mansi Kasliwal (Carnegie)

Mario Juric (LSST)

Pat Kelley (Berkeley)

#### October 6-8, 2014

Emily Levesque (Colorado) Ragnhild Lunnan (Harvard) Jean-Pierre Macquart (Curtin) Ashish Mahabal (Caltech) Ben Mazin (UCSB) Brian Metzger (Columbia) Maryam Modjaz (NYU) Tara Murphy (Sydney)\* Jocelyn Read (Fullerton) Armin Rest (STScI) Adam Riess (JHU) Stephan Rosswog (Stockholm) Josh Simon (Carnegie)\* Nial Tanvir (Leicester)\*

## TRANSIENT PHENOMENA IN ASTRONOMY AND

GIANT MAGELLAN TELESCORE OPGANIZATION AND THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION PR

Joh Biorn (Berkeley)\* Haar War Cleff (Cheapo) Bran Chemick (Cheapo) Bran Chemick (Cheapo) Bran de Mink (CSE) George Depoysik (Caltech) George Depoysik (Caltech) Manis Jang (Caltech) Nei Genetek (CSEC) Chad Harna (Perimeter) Andy Howel (Caltech) Bran Kalawa (Caltech) Bran Kalawa (Caltech) Bran Kalawa (Caltech) Bran Manis (Caltech) Bran Manis (Caltech) Bran Mana (Caltech) Adam Reas (Stils) Adam Reas (Stils) Adam Reas (Stils) Ma Tarve (Caester)

### ASTROPHYSICS

🦲 Smithsonian

Institution

SECOND ANNUAL GMT COMMUNITY SCIENCE MEETING

OCTOBER 6-8, 2014 SMITHSONIAN NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN on the National Mall in Washington D.C.

\* TO BE CONFIRMED (as of 4/2014)

| A NEW GENERATION OF SKY SURVEYS AND TIME-DOMAIN |
|---|
| EXPERIMENTS WILL SOON OPEN A NEW WINDOW ON      |
| TRANSIENT PHENOMENA IN THE UNIVERSE.            |
|   |

The conference will bring together experts from around the world to discuss the state of the field. Topics includes gamma-ray bursts, supernova explosions, the discovery potential of large-scale optical and radio time-domain surveys, and electromagnetic follow-up of gravitational wave sources.

GIANT MAGELLAN TELESCOPE ORGANIZATION CIA CENTER FOR ASTROPHYSIC

# Schedule

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### **Review Process**

Five independent reviews in 12 months

- Enclosure & Facilities PDR
- Adaptive Optics PDR
- Telescope System PDR
- GMT System Level PDR
- Cost and Organizational Review

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# System Preliminary Design Review

"Proceed to the construction phase as soon as possible"

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# Construction phase to start shortly

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#### **Final Procurements** Remaining Adaptive Secondary Mirrors Second AO Instrument Facility Fiber Optic Feed Intermediate Procurements Remaining Primary Mirrors First Adaptive Secondary Mirrors First AO Instrument **Early Procurements** Start of Essential Infrastructure Telescope Mount Science Enclosure 4 Primary/Secondary Mirrors Summit Support Building 2 Science Instruments 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022 Construction Commissioning Close out Start Start

# Synergy & Cooperation

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- Deep Survey fields (UDF, CDFS) Right Ascension
- Special objects (M31, GC, LMC/SMC)
- All Sky surveys (TESS, GRBs)

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### **ELT Instruments**

| Instrument Type     | GMT                       | тмт   | E-ELT   |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-------|---------|
| Visible Echelle     | G-CLEF                    | HROS  | CODEX   |
| Near/Mid IR Echelle | GMTNIRS                   | MIRES | METIS   |
| AO Imager and IFU   | GMTIFS                    | IRIS  | HARMONI |
| Near-IR MOS         | NIRMOS                    | IRMS  |         |
| Near-IR AO Imager   | Covered by IFU instrument |       | MICADO  |
| Planet Imager       | TIGER                     | PFI   | EPICS   |
| Visible MOS         | GMACS                     | MOBIE |         |
| Wide-Field          | MANIFEST                  |       |         |

**First Generation** 

**Future Generation** 

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# Synergy and Cooperation

- TMT and GMT have distinct, but overlapping, sky coverage
- Some special objects can only be reached by one
- Transients and TOOs happen everywhere
- TMT and GMT have distinct, but overlapping, instrument suites
- It is easier to move astronomers and data than instruments or facilities

Time swaps and open-access coordinated by NOAO as part of the now nearly deceased "system"?

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### **Being Better Neighbors**

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# **Being Better Neighbors**

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# Synergy and Cooperation

- Short Term
  - Joint technical and scientific discussions
  - AO4ELT4 in California?
  - Common technology development
    - TOPTICA Laser development provides a good template
- Medium Term
  - Thinking about requirements (e.g. TT stars) for preparatory survey fields
  - Planning joint open access key-projects
- Long Term
  - Swapping nights
  - Loose coordination on instrumentation development

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