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






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Redshifts and line fluxes of distant galaxies from the deepest JWST Cycle 1 NIRSpec multi-object spectroscopy

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ABSTRACT

We describe the NIRSpec component of the JWST Deep Extragalactic Survey (JADES), and provide deep spectroscopy of 253 sources targeted with the NIRSpec micro-shutter assembly in the *Hubble* Ultra Deep Field and surrounding GOODS-South. The multi-object spectra presented here are the deepest so far obtained with JWST, amounting to up to 28 hours in the low-dispersion ($R \sim 30\text{--}300$) prism, and up to 7 hours in each of the three medium-resolution $R \approx 1000$ gratings and one high-dispersion grating, G395H ($R \approx 2700$). Our low-dispersion and medium-dispersion spectra cover the wavelength range 0.6–5.3 μm . We describe the selection of the spectroscopic targets, the strategy for the allocation of targets to micro-shutters, and the design of the observations. We present the public release of the reduced 2D and 1D spectra, and a description of the reduction and calibration process. We measure spectroscopic redshifts for 178 of the objects targeted extending up to $z = 13.2$. We present a catalogue of all emission lines detected at $S/N > 5$, and our redshift determinations for the targets. Combined with the first JADES NIRCам data release, these public JADES spectroscopic and imaging datasets provide a new foundation for discoveries of the infrared universe by the worldwide scientific community.

Key words. instrumentation: spectrographs – surveys – galaxies: evolution – galaxies: high-redshift

1. Introduction

JWST (Gardner et al. 2023) is the largest programme in astrophysics to date, and is far more than simply the successor to the *Hubble* Space Telescope (HST). As well as having seven times the collecting area of HST, JWST operates over a wider range of wavelengths (0.6–25 μm) in a lower-background environment (at L2), making it orders of magnitude more sensitive than previous observatories. One of the major goals of the JWST mission is to study the formation and evolution of galaxies, in particular in the early universe through observations of high redshift galaxies.

The JWST Advanced Deep Extragalactic Survey (JADES, Bunker et al. 2020; Rieke 2020; Eisenstein et al. 2023) is the largest Cycle 1 programme aiming to study galaxy evolution

out to the highest redshifts. JADES is a coordinated survey designed and executed by the NIRSpec and NIRCам Guaranteed Time Observation (GTO) teams. It provides NIRCам and MIRI imaging as well as NIRSpec spectroscopy over two fields. An important aspect of JADES is the assembly of a large data set of spectroscopic observations spanning from cosmic noon to within the epoch of reionization, enabling confirmation of high-redshift candidates, accurate redshift measurements, and unprecedented constraints on the physical conditions in distant galaxies. With such spectroscopy, we can explore the mass-metallicity relation, dust attenuation, star formation rates and star formation histories in galaxies, as well as ionization parameters, ionizing photon escape fraction, and the presence of any active galactic nuclei. Spectroscopy is also key to understanding the physical states of the interstellar, circumgalactic and intergalactic media, and their evolution with cosmic time. Crucially, assembling this data set is enabled by the new multi-object

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spectroscopy (MOS) capabilities of JWST with the near-infrared spectrograph (NIRSpec; [Jakobsen et al. 2022](#)).

NIRSpec operates in the range 0.6–5.3 μm , and has three spectral resolutions: a low-dispersion prism ($R \approx 30$ –300) which captures all the wavelength range with a single exposure, and medium- and high-resolution gratings ($R \approx 1000$ and $R \approx 2700$) which use three bands to cover the wavelength range. One unique feature of this spectrograph is its use of a micro-shutter assembly (MSA), developed specifically for NIRSpec to enable multi-object spectroscopy of hundreds of objects at once over a 3.6×3.4 field of view ([Ferruit et al. 2022](#)).

As described in [Eisenstein et al. \(2023\)](#), JADES has Deep and Medium tiers, where the Medium tier adds area to capture rarer objects, while the Deep tier allows for searches of the faintest, and most distant galaxies. The survey covers two fields with huge legacy data sets thanks to the Great Observatories Origins Deep Survey (GOODS [Dickinson et al. 2003](#); [Giavalisco et al. 2004](#)), GOODS-South and GOODS-North. As well as the multi-wavelength efforts of the original GOODS survey, there have been extensive observing efforts in the same area, including, but not limited to, the CANDELS survey with *Hubble* (Cosmic Assembly Near-Infrared Deep Extragalactic Legacy Survey, [Grogin et al. 2011](#); [Koekemoer et al. 2011](#)) and the GREATS survey with *Spitzer* (GOODS Re-ionization Era wide-Area Treasury from *Spitzer*, [Stefanon et al. 2021](#)). In particular the GOODS-South field includes the region of the sky with the deepest *Hubble* images ever taken, the *Hubble* Ultra Deep Field (HUDF, [Beckwith et al. 2006](#); [Bouwens et al. 2010](#); [Ellis et al. 2013](#)), where we focus the Deep portion of our survey. The Medium tier adds area with observations in GOODS-North, and the extended GOODS-South field, predominantly within the footprint of the CANDELS data.

In this paper, we present our deep spectroscopy of targets in the HUDF and surrounding GOODS-South field and outline our target selection strategy. We release the raw data and make our reduced data products available to the community¹, and in a companion paper ([Rieke et al. 2023](#)) we present the complementary JADES NIRCам imaging of the HUDF. From the prism and medium-dispersion $R \approx 1000$ spectra we derive redshifts and fluxes of prominent emission lines. The data from the single high-dispersion grating used (G395H, $R \approx 2700$) also forms part of this data release, but we do not perform detailed on this analysis in this paper.

The structure of this paper is as follows. Section 2 describes how potential spectroscopic targets were selected from imaging data (primarily a combination of JADES NIRCам and HST), and how these were allocated to different priority classes so that the NIRSpec MSA configuration could be optimised for our science goals. The NIRSpec observations are described in Section 3 and the data processing is outlined in Section 4. In Section 5 we present our redshift measurements, and detected emission line fluxes of individual galaxies. Our conclusions are in Section 6. Throughout this work, we assume the Planck 2018 cosmology ([Planck Collaboration VI 2020](#)) and the AB magnitude system ([Oke & Gunn 1983](#)).

2. Targets

JADES observations take NIRCам imaging and NIRSpec spectroscopy in parallel. As the survey progresses, JADES aims to leverage NIRCам photometry to select targets for later NIRSpec observations where possible, as this will enable the identification

of the highest-redshift objects and facilitates near mass-limited samples at lower redshifts. However, for many of our early observations, we take spectroscopy in regions which have not yet been imaged by NIRCам.

In the initial planning phase, the Deep tier presented here was to be observed prior to NIRCам imaging and hence would comprise only targets previously identified (mostly from HST imaging). However, scheduling changes meant that we ended up having NIRCам data available shortly before our final MSA configuration needed to be set². This unforeseen opportunity was exploited scientifically to refine the target selection by making use of the additional JADES photometry from NIRCам images, with observations completed 16 days before the NIRSpec observations. Thus, our selected targets represent a NIRCам-based selection, supplemented with some HST-based targets compiled from the literature. We note that the NIRCам images available when drawing up our target list did not cover the full region of the NIRSpec MSA (see Figure 1).

We used NIRCам data taken between 29th September and the 5th October 2022 described in [Rieke et al. \(2023\)](#), which added nine photometric bands, potentially improving photometric redshifts over previous HST-based studies as well as identifying HST-dark sources. We used a very early reduction of the data and describe the limitations of this in Appendix B. We measured the HST and NIRCам photometry using 0.3-arcsec diameter apertures and applying aperture corrections for each filter appropriate for compact sources. We estimated photometric redshifts from two different SED-fitting codes with very different template sets and underlying assumptions, EAZY ([Brammer et al. 2008](#)) and BEAGLE ([Chevallard & Charlot 2016](#)), and these were used in our target selection.

In this Section, we first describe our over-arching prioritisation system for allocating targets for spectroscopy. We then describe the assembly of these NIRCам- and HST-based catalogues, which formed the source material for our target allocation.

2.1. Priority class system

The target selection for the NIRSpec MOS observations was designed to prioritise rare targets, either at high redshift, or with low number density, while building up a statistical sample spanning from cosmic noon to within the epoch of reionization. This was achieved by sorting the potential targets into a limited number of priority classes and employing the NIRSpec team’s eMPT software suite ([Bonaventura et al. 2023](#)) to optimise the placement of targets within each class in sequence on the MSA. The priority class criteria employed are presented in Table 1. The science goals for the JADES survey as a whole are diverse (Section 1, see also [Eisenstein et al. 2023](#)), and the first deep pointings presented here represent the initial step in building up the entire sample.

We emphasise that the JADES NIRSpec survey does not employ a single selection function, but within each priority class there is a well defined set of criteria. The highest priority targets (Class 1) are used to set and optimise the NIRSpec pointing centres (see Section 2.3) and are the bright, robust highest redshift candidates ($z > 8.5$). Classes 2 and 3 allow for less robust candidates and fainter candidates, respectively, at similarly high

² After the original APT file for PID 1210 had been submitted and scheduled by STScI, an electrical short appearing in a column of the MSA ([Rawle et al. 2022](#)) necessitated that the three MSA configurations be modified and substituted.

¹ <https://archive.stsci.edu/hlsp/jades>

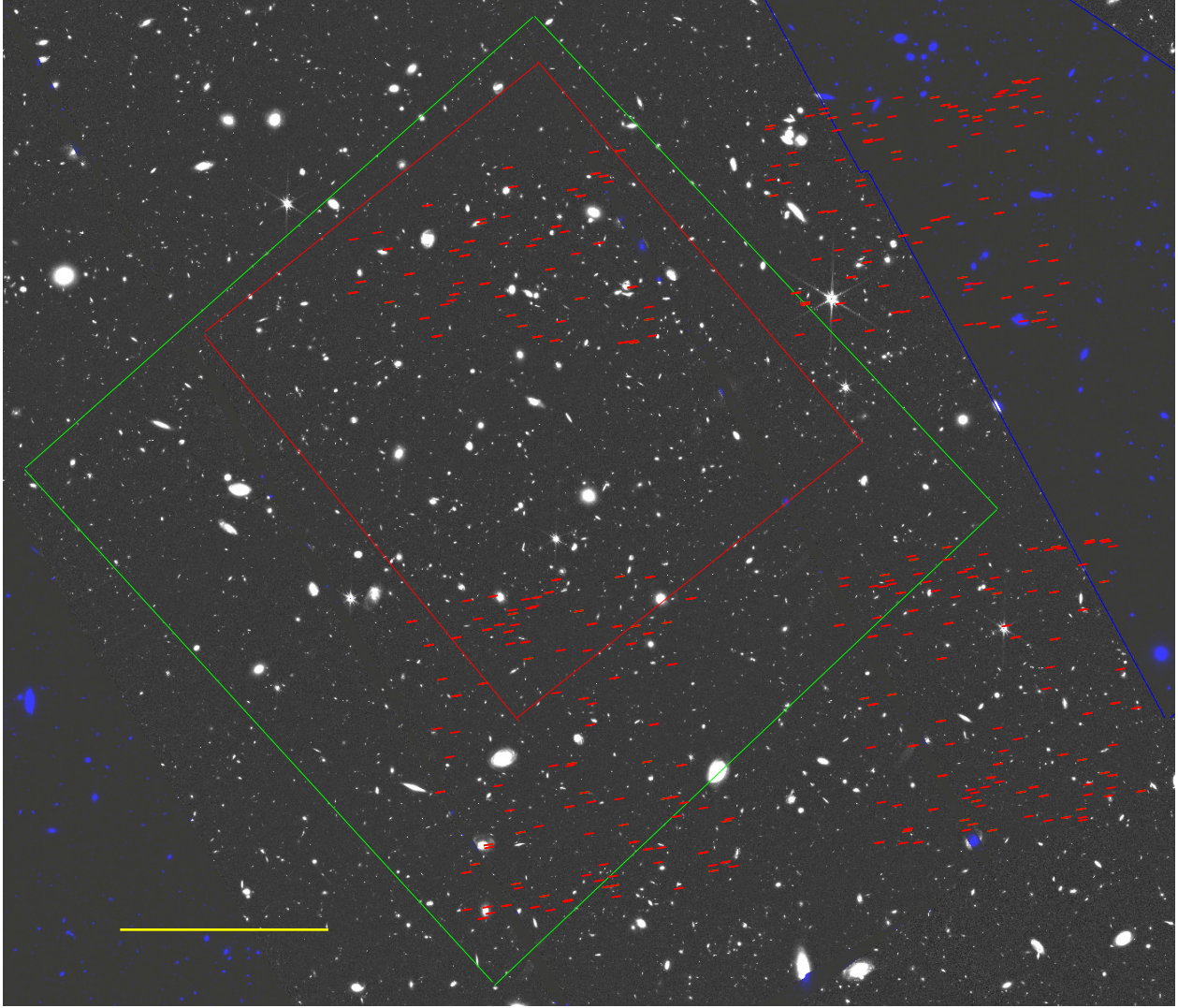


Fig. 1. Field layout of the NIRSpec Deep-HST observations presented in this paper. The green rectangle is the region covered by the original HST/ACS *Hubble* Ultra Deep Field. The red rectangle is the smaller area covered in the Ultra Deep HST/WFC 3 imaging. The background image is the NIRCам F200W from JADES, except for the region to the right of the blue line which has not yet been observed by NIRCам; we show in this region the HST/WFC 3 from GOODS-South/CANDELS in blue. The short red lines denote the five-shutter ($\approx 2''.6$) extent observed (three open shutters each target per observation, nodded by ± 1 shutter for background subtraction). The four quadrants of the NIRSpec MSA are clearly visible. More detailed views of each quadrant with the target ID numbers marked are shown in Figures 3 and Figures D.1, D.2 and D.3, which also show the sub-set of targets with grating spectra. The yellow scale bar at the bottom left is 1 arcmin in length.

redshifts. Progressing down the priority classes predominantly represents a progression in decreasing redshift, as the number counts then increase. A notable departure from this is Class 5 in which we include bright objects to achieve a few high signal-to-noise continuum spectra per pointing.

In Class 4, we aim to target galaxies in the redshift interval $5.7 < z < 8.5$ which are expected to have sufficiently bright rest-frame optical emission lines to enable emission line ratio work and exploration of interstellar medium (ISM) conditions (Cameron et al. 2023; Curti et al. 2024). Our goal is to achieve $S/N > 25$ in the $H\alpha$ line (available at $z < 7$) or, when not available (i.e. $z > 7$), $[O III] \lambda 5007$. This would give an expected $S/N \approx 8$ or more for the $H\beta$ line, and the resulting uncertainty of 10–15% on the Balmer decrement, $f(H\alpha)/f(H\beta)$, allows for an estimate of the attenuation due to dust (e.g. Sandles et al. 2023). To achieve these target emission line fluxes in Class 4, we select on the rest-frame UV magnitude around 1500 \AA . At $z \approx 6$,

a galaxy with a star formation rate of $2.5 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ has a magnitude in the F115W filter of $AB = 27.5$ for the rest-UV longward of the Lyman- α break (assuming a Salpeter 1955 initial mass function and no dust extinction), and an expected $H\alpha$ flux of $3 \times 10^{-19} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at $4.5 \mu\text{m}$ (adopting the Kennicutt 1998 conversion from star formation rate to $H\alpha$ flux). This should be detectable at $S/N = 25$ in the prism spectroscopy of the Deep tier of JADES (duration $\approx 100 \text{ ksec}$), using the STScI Exposure Time Calculator³. Hence for Class 4 we adopt a magnitude cut of $AB = 27.5$ in the broad-band filters just above the Lyman- α break. Fainter targets in the same redshift interval appear in Class 6.

Class 7 represents the statistical sample spanning $1.5 < z < 5.7$, which will be built up over multiple tiers, spanning from cosmic noon to the epoch of reionization. Within Class 7, we

³ <https://jwst.etc.stsci.edu/>

Table 1. Target prioritisation categories.

Priority	Criteria	Total targets /MSA footprint	Targets allocated	JWST-only targets	Success rate ⁽⁴⁾	Interloper fraction
1	$z^{(1)} > 8.5$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) OR F115W dropout or higher robust $z_{phot} > 9$ & & Detection band < 29.5 (JWST) AND identified as robust from visual inspection	6	6	2	83%	0%
2	As for Class 1 but lower visual inspection score	6	2	2	50%	0%
3	$z > 8.5$, $F160W > 29$ (HST) AND not rejected at visual inspection Some objects not identified as robust originally in Classes 1 and 2 are demoted to this class	9	3	2	$>33\%$ ^(a)	$<33\%$ ^(a)
4	$5.7 < z < 8.5$, pass rest-UV cut (HST) OR $6 < z < 8.5$, detection band < 27.5 (JWST) AND identified as robust from visual inspection	76	20	1	85%	5% ^(b)
5	$2 < z_{phot} < 5.7$, $F160W < 23$ (HST) OR $z_{phot} > 2$, any filter < 22.5 (JWST)	18	5	1		
6.1	$5.7 < z < 8.5$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) $5.7 < z < 8.5$, ($F105W < 29$ $F150W < 29$) (JWST) AND not rejected at visual inspection	100	9	3	89%	11%
6.2	$5.7 < z < 8.5$, $F160W > 29$ (HST) OR $5.7 < z < 6.5$, $F444W^{(2)} < 27.5$ (JWST) AND not rejected at visual inspection	102	7	1	57%	29%
7.1	$4.5 \leq z < 5.7$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) OR $4.5 \leq z < 5.7$, $F444W^{(2)} < 27.5$ (JWST) AND rare galaxy up-weighting ⁽³⁾	4	1	0		
7.2	$3.5 \leq z < 4.5$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) OR $3.5 \leq z < 4.5$, $F444W^{(2)} < 27.5$ (JWST) AND rare galaxy up-weighting ⁽³⁾	5	1	0		
7.3	$2.5 \leq z < 3.5$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) OR $2.5 \leq z < 3.5$, $F444W^{(2)} < 27.5$ (JWST) AND rare galaxy up-weighting ⁽³⁾	12	0	0		
7.4	$1.5 \leq z < 2.5$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) OR $1.5 \leq z < 2.5$, $F444W^{(2)} < 27.5$ (JWST) AND rare galaxy up-weighting ⁽³⁾	18	1	0		
7.5	$4.5 \leq z < 5.7$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) OR $4.5 \leq z < 5.7$, $F444W^{(2)} < 27.5$ (JWST)	246	23	2	83%	4%
7.6	$3.5 \leq z < 4.5$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) OR $3.5 \leq z < 4.5$, $F444W^{(2)} < 27.5$ (JWST)	570	31	1	71%	3%
7.7	$2.5 \leq z < 3.5$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) OR $2.5 \leq z < 3.5$, $F444W^{(2)} < 27.5$ (JWST)	1015	45	4	78%	4%
7.8	$1.5 \leq z < 2.5$, $F160W < 29$ (HST) OR $1.5 \leq z < 2.5$, $F444W^{(2)} < 27.5$ (JWST)	1565	47	4	64%	4%
8.1	$F160W > 28.5$, $1.5 \leq z < 5.7$ AND has <i>Gaia2</i> coords (HST) OR $1.5 \leq z < 5.7$, $27.5 < F444W^{(2)} < 29$ (JWST)	2119	20	3		
8.2	$24.5 < F160W < 29$, $z < 1.5$ AND has <i>Gaia2</i> coords (HST) OR $z < 1.5$, $F444W^{(2)} < 29$ (JWST)	836	17	1		
8.3	$F160W > 29$, $z < 1.5$ AND has <i>Gaia2</i> coords (HST)	361	3	0		
9	fillers (not deliberately rejected)	1569	12	0		

Notes. The HST and JWST entries for each class denote the different priority criteria whether the source was primarily selected from JWST or HST (see text for details). The number of targets per MSA footprint were estimated from the full $3'6 \times 3'4$ field of view. ⁽¹⁾In this table, z denotes a redshift estimate either from a photometric redshift, or from dropout criteria. ⁽²⁾Denotes photometry derived from Kron apertures. ⁽³⁾“Rare galaxy up-weighting” was applied to targets that were identified as candidates for being either quiescent, hosting an active galactic nucleus (AGN), or Lyman-continuum leakers. ⁽⁴⁾The success rate is the fraction of galaxies targeted who had a spectroscopic redshift measured within $\Delta z = 0.1$ of the predicted redshift interval for that priority class. Galaxies lying outside this range are classed as interlopers. ^(a)The spectrum of object 9992 is Class 3 is ambiguous and may show two sources, a low-redshift galaxy at $z = 1.962$ and hints of a second galaxy at $z > 9$. ^(b)One target in Class 4 for which we did not get a good spectrum, 10035328, is a star (with a proper motion of $0''.16$ between HST/WFC3 and NIRCcam) and we class it as an interloper.

paid particular attention to placing unusual objects first before the more common star-forming galaxy population. Specifically, galaxies which exhibited colours in the rest-frame UVJ colour-colour plane consistent with being passive or quenched galaxies were identified following the criteria for specific star formation rate (sSFR), $\log(\text{sSFR}/\text{yr}^{-1}) < -9.5$ given in Leja et al. (2019). We also prioritised ALMA sources which had a match to sources in the HST or NIRCcam images (e.g. Aravena et al. 2016; Decarli et al. 2016; Rujopakarn et al. 2016; Dunlop et al. 2017; Franco et al. 2018; Yamaguchi et al. 2019; Hodge et al. 2013), along with AGN including those selected from the IR, from variability, or from X-ray selection with an optical/near-IR counterpart (Alonso-Herrero et al. 2006; Castelló-Mor et al. 2013; Del Moro et al. 2016; Luo et al. 2011, 2017; Sarajedini et al. 2011; Treister et al. 2006, 2009b,a; Young et al. 2012).

Any unused areas on the MSA following the placement of sources in Classes 1–7 (described above) were filled with very low priority targets in Class 8 and 9, which comprised: fainter targets which did not pass the brightness to be in Class 7; targets at lower redshifts than $z \approx 1.5$; and targets for which the astrometry was unreliable. Blank sky shutters were also added.

2.2. Establishing input catalogue of possible spectroscopic targets

The *Hubble* Ultra Deep Field (HUDF) and surrounding GOODS-South are very well studied fields. To provide an input target list for potential observation with the NIRSpec MSA, we compiled a large list of galaxies from the literature, which we cross-matched with our NIRCcam-derived catalogues after first correcting the coordinates of the literature sources onto the same *Gaia* DR2 astrometric frame (see Appendix A), leveraging the CHArGE re-reduction of the GOODS-S HST imaging which has been registered to the *Gaia* DR2 astrometric frame (Kokorev et al. 2022; Brammer 2023)⁴. Where no match to an HST-detected object was identified within $0''.3$ with the NIRCcam-based catalogue (with co-ordinates defined as target centres), the target catalogue was supplemented with the HST-detected object. In regions of MSA footprint with no NIRCcam coverage, all objects are taken from the HST-based catalogues. We later impose selection criteria to populate the various priority classes which dictated the allocation of observed sources to the MSA micro-shutters. The priority classes for each object eventually observed are presented in Table F.1, where we list the final priorities allocated on the basis of NIRCcam photometry (where available), and we also give the initial priority allocations on the basis of HST data alone.

A main driver of the JADES survey is to observe the highest redshift targets, for which we compiled a sample of galaxies which had been identified as $z > 5.6$ candidates by one or more studies in the literature, or from our NIRCcam+HST analysis. The lower end of this redshift range corresponds to where the i' -band drop-out technique using the HST/ACS filter set becomes effective. The list of galaxies compiled from the literature includes any studies that have previously selected $z \gtrsim 6$ candidates based on the Lyman break technique and/or photometric redshifts (Bunker et al. 2004; Yan & Windhorst 2004; Oesch et al. 2010, 2013; Lorenzoni et al. 2011, 2013; Yan et al. 2010; Ellis et al. 2013; McLure et al. 2013; Schenker et al. 2013; Bouwens et al. 2015, 2021; Finkelstein et al. 2015; Harikane et al. 2016). The sample from the literature was largely based on Lyman-break

drop-out selection (e.g. Bunker et al. 2004; Bouwens et al. 2015) although some are more generally based on photometric redshifts (e.g. Finkelstein et al. 2015). We cross-matched different samples in the literature which present high redshift candidates, and we note that while many galaxies were in common (using a matching tolerance of $0''.2$), there was a significant fraction which appeared in only one selection. This may be due to those papers using earlier reductions of HST data, perhaps not including all the data now available, or slightly different colour cuts, S/N thresholds, and photometric aperture choices by the various research groups. Hence, to refine this selection of potential high-redshift targets, we inspected all the $z > 5.6$ candidates from the literature. We used a slightly lower redshift cut for this inspection of candidates than ultimately adopted for Classes 4 and 6 ($z > 5.7$, Table 1) so as to allow slight changes in photometric redshift due to our remeasured photometry. For each $z > 5.6$ candidate, we re-measured the aperture photometry from the HST images (with $0''.36$ -diameter apertures and appropriate aperture corrections) and ran photometric redshift fits with EZY (Brammer et al. 2008) and BEAGLE (Chevallard & Charlot 2016). For those galaxies which also appeared in our NIRCcam-based catalogue, we also calculated the photometric redshift including both the NIRCcam and HST photometry.

We also visually inspected the HST images (and NIRCcam images where available) in all wavebands, using a co-addition of all the HST data taken in the GOODS-South field from the *Hubble* Legacy Field v2.0 images (Whitaker et al. 2019; Illingworth et al. 2016), which goes deeper than many of the images used in the past to construct the early catalogues of Lyman break galaxies. For the sources selected from NIRCcam photometry, we also removed spurious high redshift candidates due to artifacts and deblending issues.

We retained only the most robust candidates in our highest priority classes, those which were clearly detected at longer wavelengths, had a strong spectral break and were undetected at short wavelengths, and where the photometric redshifts strongly favoured a high redshift solution. Some objects were either only faintly detected or had spectral energy distributions where the photometric redshift was unclear (with both high and low redshift solutions possible). These were placed in a class for more marginal targets, which were allocated at lower priority than the more robust candidate high-redshift galaxies. In the case of the highest redshifts ($z_{\text{phot}} > 8.5$) from the previous literature, the most robust candidates with HST F160W magnitudes brighter than $AB = 29$ were placed in the top priority ‘Class 1’ (Table 1), with those judged to be less robust placed in Class 2. From our NIRCcam-based selection, we added two targets not appearing in the literature to Class 1 which had robust photometric redshifts $z > 9$ and were brighter than $AB = 29.5$ mag in filters just longward of the putative Lyman- α break, and a further two NIRCcam-selected targets which were judged to be less robust were added to Class 2. Galaxies with $z_{\text{phot}} > 8.5$ and fainter than F160W $AB = 29$ in the literature-based selection appear in Class 3.

Galaxies with redshifts in the interval $5.7 < z < 8.5$ span the epoch of reionization and are also potentially selected by the Lyman-break technique using drop-outs in the F775W, F850LP and F105W filters on HST. For these targets, we impose a magnitude cut on the broad-band filter longward of the Lyman- α break, sampling the rest-frame UV (a proxy for star formation). Those galaxies brighter than $AB = 27.5$ in that filter were allocated to Class 4 (with this magnitude cut justified in Section 2.1), with less robust candidates and slightly fainter galaxies ($27.5 < AB < 29$) in Class 6.1. Candidates fainter than $AB = 29$ appear in

⁴ <https://s3.amazonaws.com/grizli-stsci/Mosaics/index.html>

Class 6.2. Some objects were up-weighted in this visual inspection exercise from Class 6 to Class 4 if they showed signs of strong line emission in the NIRCcam photometry ($<20\%$). Our input sample, after visual inspection and photometric checks, comprised about 300 galaxies at $z > 5.7$ within the total NIRSpec MSA footprint. There were other cases (about 5% of the sample drawn from the literature) where we identified targets which seem to have flux below the putative Lyman- α break, and these were demoted to lower redshift classes based on the our revised photometric redshifts (including the NIRCcam photometry where available). A number of high-redshift candidates from the literature were essentially undetected in the full co-added HST imaging, and these were removed from our sample (about 20%, but we note that many of these would not have passed the magnitude cuts to place them in our very highest priority classes).

Galaxies with photometric redshifts below $z = 5.7$ formed our lower-priority classes, in particular Class 5 (bright objects), and Class 7 (a magnitude-limited sample prioritised in redshift slices). When assigning priorities in Class 7, we used the opportunity to base the magnitude limit of $AB = 29$ mag on the longest wavelength NIRCcam filter available (F444W), to make the selection as close to a mass-selected sample as possible, and to homogenise the selection with that planned for other tiers of JADES. Where NIRCcam imaging was not available (or a literature source did not have a match in our NIRCcam catalogue), we imposed a magnitude cut in HST/WFC 3 F160W of $AB = 29$, as this H -band filter is the reddest available HST data. This HST photometry for each galaxy was drawn from the latest available catalogue in which it appeared out of: Whitaker et al. (2019), Rafelski et al. (2015), Skelton et al. (2014) or Guo et al. (2013). If the source did not appear in any of these large catalogues, then we adopted the HST H -mag from the discovery paper if available (e.g. Lyman break catalogues) or we remeasured the photometry.

In Class 7, photometric redshifts are used to assign objects to four different redshift bins, with the smaller number of objects in the higher redshift slice $4.5 < z < 5.7$ being allocated to MSA shutters before the next slice ($3.5 < z < 4.5$) and then those with $2.5 < z < 3.5$ and finally $1.5 < z < 2.5$. In the MSA target allocation in Class 7, we first placed the unusual targets (quiescent galaxies, AGN and ALMA sources) descending through the four redshift bins in order (sub-classes 7.1–7.4) before then placing shutters on the more common star-forming galaxies, again working down the four redshifts bins in turn to allocate targets. Where available, the photometric redshifts were drawn from the high-redshift catalogues of Bouwens et al. (2021), Finkelstein et al. (2015) or Bouwens et al. (2015), which generally utilised the Lyman break in HST filters extending to the UV. We supplemented Class 7 with photometric redshifts from the UVUDF survey (Rafelski et al. 2015), or, if unavailable, from the 3DHST survey (Brammer et al. 2012; Skelton et al. 2014), which in particular extended to lower redshifts than the Lyman break selected catalogues. For some lower redshift objects, the additional NIRCcam photometry was not guaranteed to improve the photometric redshifts due to the small aperture used compared to the size of the objects, and the differences in point spread function (PSF). We therefore only replaced the HST-derived photometric redshift with the HST+NIRCcam-derived photometric redshift when the BEAGLE and EAZY photometric redshifts agreed. Specifically, the redshift bin was assigned first using the HST-based photometric redshift (where available). This was then adjusted only if the range between the EAZY and BEAGLE (primary or secondary redshift solution) 95% credible regions overlapped, or the redshift solutions agreed within $\Delta z = 0.1$. As with Classes 1–6,

all the Class 7 sources were visually inspected on the HST and NIRCcam images, and a few eliminated as being unreliable.

2.3. Target assignment

The NIRSpec multi-object spectroscopic observations presented in this paper were carried out in MOS mode with the MSA (Ferruit et al. 2022) with NIRCcam operating in parallel. The MSA configurations employed were designed using the NIRSpec GTO team’s so-called eMPT software suite (Bonaventura et al. 2023), and then imported into the STScI Astronomers Proposal Tool (APT) for execution. For a given choice of disperser and assigned roll angle, the eMPT is capable of identifying the pointings of the MSA on the sky that capture the largest possible number of high priority targets whose images fall within the open areas of operational shutters to a specified accuracy without their spectra overlapping on the detector. Three shutter tall slitlets were assigned to each target, and the telescope was nodded by one shutter facet (529 mas) along the spatial direction such that the targets were observed in each shutter in sequence. An ‘acceptance zone’ spanning 184 mas in the dispersion direction and 445 mas in the spatial direction was employed throughout, corresponding to the full open area of a shutter with ≈ 9 mas shaved off the edges. This was to prevent targets leaving the open shutter areas during any of the nods due to differential optical distortion arising in the telescope and NIRSpec optics. For all targets, only shutters whose low resolution prism spectra avoid truncation by the gap between the two detector arrays of NIRSpec (Jakobsen et al. 2022; Ferruit et al. 2022) were employed.

As described in Bonaventura et al. (2023), the eMPT approach to designing the MSA masks starts by exercising its so-called ‘initial pointing algorithm’ (IPA) module. This identifies the ensemble of candidate pointings within a specified range of the nominal pointing that provide the largest possible coverage of the targets designated as Priority Class 1 in the input catalogue at the roll angle assigned to the observation. Other eMPT modules are then employed to fill up the remainder of the MSA mask at each pointing with additional targets in decreasing order of scientific priority. For the observations presented here, three separate ‘dithered’ pointings were planned with the goal of smoothing out detector defects in the dispersed spectra beyond that achieved by the three nods performed at each pointing. For the highest priority targets the objective was to achieve the largest possible total exposure time by observing these targets at all three dithers, while for the brighter lower priority targets the desire was to observe as many targets as possible, especially considering that these targets are placed on the MSA last and therefore become progressively more difficult to accommodate. For any given trial of three pointings drawn from the set of all optimal Priority Class 1 covering pointings identified by the IPA module, the eMPT distinguishes between targets that can be observed at all three pointings, in only two of the pointings, and in only a single pointing, and gives the user complete control over the order in which targets in each subset are placed on the MSA. This process is carried out for all candidate triple pointings that constitute reasonable dithers of the spectra on the detector, and the triple pointing achieving the best overall target coverage was selected as the final one.

Another important consideration when using the MSA is to avoid targets being contaminated by the unintended light from nearby targets entering any of the (nodded) slitlets. The eMPT automatically eliminates such targets in a ‘point source’ manner based on the input catalogue, but since the contamination due

to extended sources is difficult to automate, the candidate MSA masks produced by the eMPT were subjected to a final visual inspection. Remaining undesirable targets were flagged and subsequently removed from the MSA masks. However, since the removal of a higher priority target can significantly change the placement of all lower priority targets that are placed after it, rather than start the process again from scratch, bespoke software was employed that allowed the process to converge after one or two iterations by optimally filling the gaps in the MSA opened up by removed contaminated targets with other non-overlapping ones, while leaving all others in place.

The grating exposures taken at each pointing employed as the starting point the same MSA masks as the prism exposures, but were modified using bespoke software to protect the grating spectra of the first five priority class targets by closing all shutters containing lower priority targets whose spectra collided with those of the higher priority targets.

Through the above process, prism spectra of a total of 253 unique objects were obtained in the three pointings and series of exposures described in this paper. Of these, 27% were observed in all three pointings, 24% in two pointings, and 49% in a single pointing. The three pointings cover 145, 155 and 149 individual prism targets each. In comparison, the grating observations cover a total of 198 unique targets, of which 28% are observed at three pointings, 21% at two pointings and 51% in a single pointing. The three grating pointings cover 119, 121 and 111 individual targets each.

In practice, the late addition of high priority NIRC*am* sources, and re-prioritisation of the catalogue (see Section 2.2) were incorporated without being able to re-optimize the pointings themselves. As a consequence, only four of the six highest priority targets in Table F.1 were observed in three dithers as opposed to all of them as would have been the case if the pointing could have been tweaked. One of the added Priority 1 NIRC*am* targets (ID 2773) was observed in two pointings and a second one (ID 17400) in only a single pointing.

3. Observations

The NIRSpec MSA observations of JADES Deep/HST were taken on UT 21-25 October 2022 as the JWST Program ID: 1210 (PI: N. Lützgendorf). The observations were split into three visits, which differed in their pointings by < 1 arcsec and employed separate MSA masks (see Section 2.3) but identical exposure sequences. The three pointings were selected such that they shift the spectra on the detector by a sufficient amount in order to smooth out detector defects; one shutter (268 mas or 2.6 pixels) in the dispersion direction plus one shutter (529 mas or 5.0 pixels) in the spatial direction for the second pointing, and three shutters (804 mas or 7.8 pixels) in the dispersion direction for the third pointing.

At each pointing we took observations with the low-resolution prism and four grating/filter combinations (G140M/F070LP, G235M/F170LP, G395M/F290LP and G395H/F290LP). We used the NRSIRS2 readout pattern (Rauscher et al. 2017) with 19 groups for an integration time of 1400 seconds, with two integrations per exposure. The MSA configurations opened three adjacent shutters for each target and the targets were ‘nodded’ between these shutters (perpendicular to the dispersion direction) with an exposure at each position. For the prism only, this sequence was repeated four times to obtain very deep observations. At each one of the three pointings the total integration time (number of exposures) was 33.6 ks (24

for the prism and 8.4 ks (6) for each grating. Thus the sources observed in all three pointings attained total integration time of 100 ks for the prism and 25 ks for each grating.

4. Data processing

In processing this data, the NIRSpec GTO Team used a custom pipeline derived from the pipeline originally developed by the ESA NIRSpec Science Operations Team (SOT) described in section 4.3 of Ferruit et al. (2022) and based on the workflow and algorithms described in Alves de Oliveira et al. (2018). This custom pipeline will be presented in a future paper (Carniani et al., in prep.). We briefly describe here the main data reduction steps. The two NIRSpec detectors were read non-destructively multiple times using the NRSIRS2 readout mode. The master bias frame and dark current were subtracted, and we also corrected artefacts such as snowballs (Ferruit et al. 2022; Giardino et al. 2019). For each exposure we fit the slope (i.e. the count rate) for each pixel, identifying and removing jumps due to cosmic ray strikes, and flagging when saturation occurred. We background-subtracted the 2D spectrum in each shutter by taking the average of the two other exposures in the three-nod pattern. In some cases of spatially-extended objects, or those falling close to one end of a shutter, we excluded the adjacent shutter containing light from the target object (or in some cases a contaminating source) from the background subtraction. We note that very extended sources (a small minority of our targets) may be prone to some self-subtraction using this local background subtraction approach.

The individual 2D spectra from each shutter were then flat fielded and corrected for illumination by the spectrograph optics and the wavelength-dependent throughput of the dispersing element. The wavelength and flux calibration was then applied, with each pixel of the 2D spectrum having an associated wavelength and distance along the shutter, accounting for the slight tilt of the shutters relative to the dispersion direction, along with optical distortions. At each stage of the data reduction process we also propagated noise and data quality arrays.

The position of the object within the micro-shutter along the dispersion direction was also taken into account when applying the wavelength calibration – many of our targets are compact (Figure 2 and Figure 3) with intrinsic sizes smaller than the 0.2 shutter width, so making wrong assumptions about the slit being uniformly illuminated or that each object is well centered would lead to wavelength offsets. We applied a path-loss correction to account for flux falling outside the micro-shutter; given the large wavelength range covered by NIRSpec ($0.6 < \lambda < 5.3 \mu\text{m}$) it was critical to account for the considerable PSF variation with wavelength. We took into account the position of the object within the micro-shutter (see the ‘intra-shutter offset’ columns in Table F.1), and calculated the slit loss as a function of wavelength for a point source at this location; this was a reasonable approximation for many of our targets which are often compact (Figure 2), particularly at high redshift and also potentially for the star-forming regions giving rise to emission lines within more extended galaxies.

The spectra are curved on the detector due to optical distortions, and we rectify the 2D spectrum (transforming such that the wavelength and distance along the microshutter in the cross-dispersion direction lie along the x and y axes respectively), re-sampling the 2D spectrum onto a finer wavelength grid in the process. For the gratings, the re-sampled pixel scale was 6.36 \AA , 10.68 \AA and 17.95 \AA for the G140M, G235M and

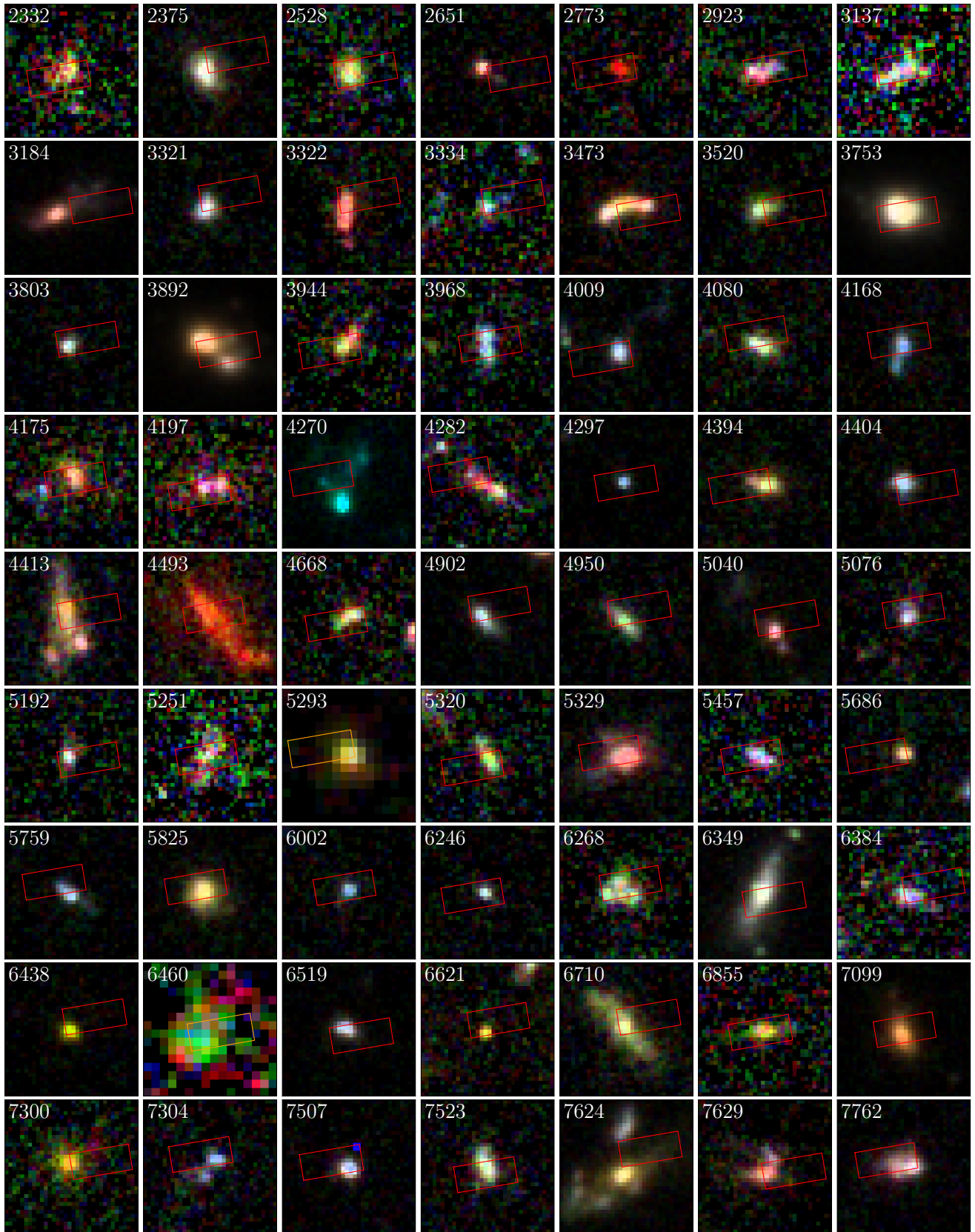


Fig. 2. Overlay of target shutter positions onto the images, with the illuminated shutter regions outlined ($0''.46 \times 0''.20$). The first 63 targets sorted by NIRSPEC ID number (IDs 2333–7762) are shown here, starting at the top left, with the other 190 targets shown in Appendix C. A red outline indicates that the image is derived from the JWST/NIRCam F115W/F150W/F200W images from JADES (blue/green/red channels), and an orange outline denotes HST ACS-F850LP/WFC3-F125W/WFC3-F160W images. The individual images are $1''.0$ on a side, and are centred on the input coordinate of the target. North is up and East is to the left.

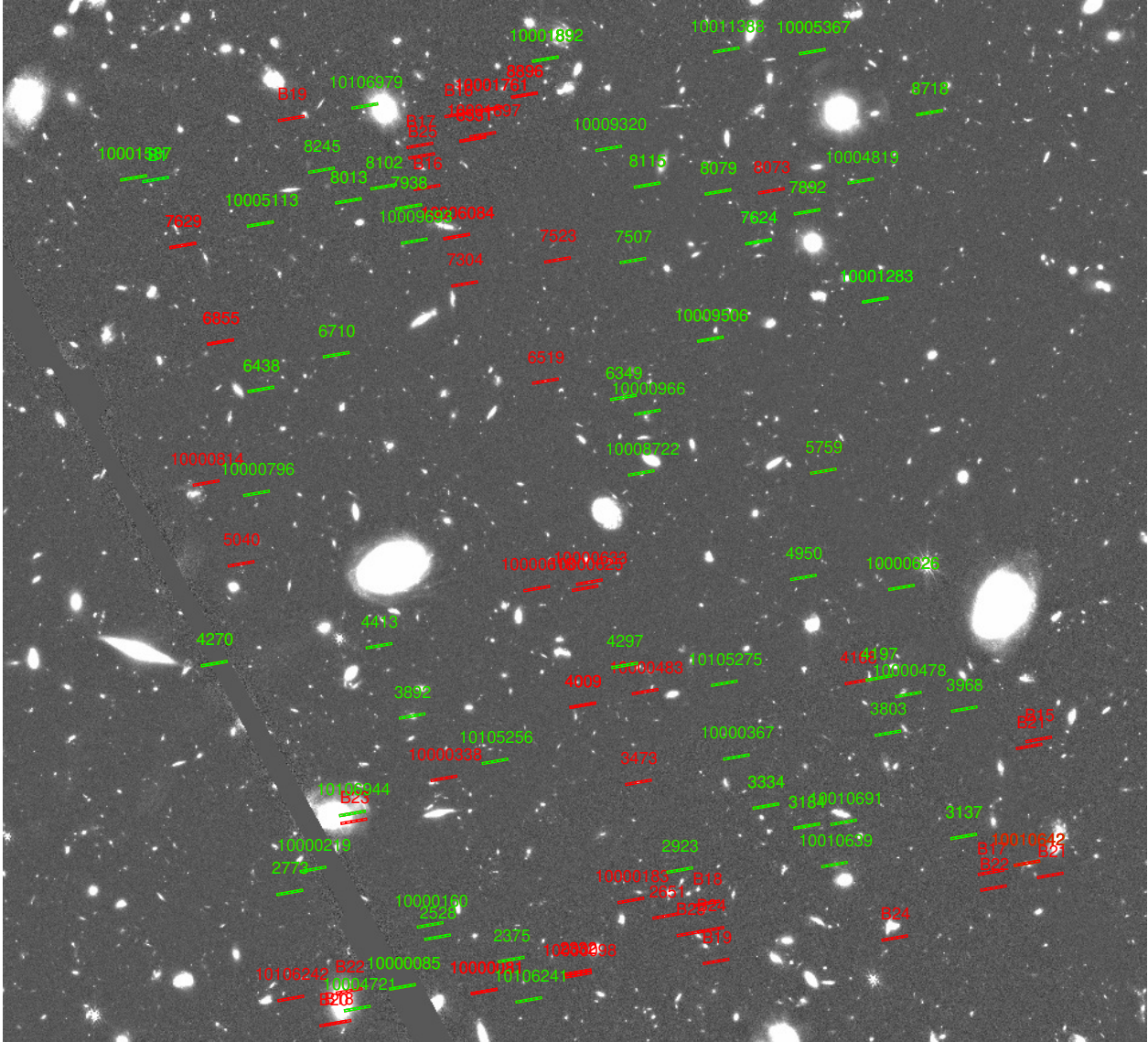


Fig. 3. One of the four MSA quadrants (Q3), showing allocation of micro-shutters to targets. The other quadrants are shown in Appendix D. Those shutters in green are covered by both the grating configurations and the low-dispersion prism. The red shutters are open only in the prism observations, as they would lead to overlapping spectra for our high priority targets in the grating configuration. Three micro-shutters are opened for each target, but the nodding by ± 1 shutter means that spectra are obtained over the areas covered by five shutters (including background) which are displayed. The field displayed is the NIRCam F200W image, and is 1.8 arcmin on a side. North is up and East is to the left. Shutters with the prefix 'B' are empty sky background.

G395M gratings, respectively. For the prism, where the resolving power varies in a non linear way between $R \approx 30$ –330 (Jakobsen et al. 2022), we used an irregularly-gridded wavelength sampling with intervals between 26–122 Å, with the coarsest sampling (largest wavelength interval per pixel) around 1.5 μm where the resolving power is at its lowest. The 1D spectra for the three nod positions from each of the (up to) three pointings were then combined by a weighted average into a single 1D spectrum for each target, masking pixels previously flagged as bad in the data quality files, and rejecting outliers using a sigma clipping algorithm. We also separately combined all the 2D spectra for each target from the different nods and pointings, although the 1D combined spectrum comes from a combination of the 1D individual spectra rather than an extraction of the combined 2D spectrum. The resulting 1D and 2D spectra reduced data products for all targets are made available as part of this data release, along with the raw

data. Example spectra covering a range of redshifts are shown in Appendix E (Figures E.1–E.10).

5. Redshift determination and emission line fluxes

In this section, we report spectroscopic redshifts and emission line fluxes determined from our spectroscopic observations, and assess the success rate of our priority class system for target selection.

5.1. Visual inspection and emission line fitting

The 1D and 2D spectra of all spectral configurations were visually inspected as a first pass on the redshift determination. The SED fitting code BAGPIPES (Carnall et al. 2018, 2019) was run on the 1D Prism/CLEAR spectra and the redshifts arising from this

fitting were used a starting point for the inspection, but ultimately the assessment of the human inspector would overrule this value if necessary. In many cases, several clear emission lines were observed and the redshifts were unambiguous. Sometimes spectral breaks were visible, most notably the Lyman- α break (e.g. Curtis-Lake et al. 2023; Looser et al. 2024), and sometimes the Balmer break or 4000 Å break. In fainter targets, the S/N of individual features were sometimes low, but the coincidence of more than one of these led to a tentative redshift.

We then performed emission line fitting to further refine the redshifts, and obtain measurements of the fluxes of significant emission lines. For the $R \approx 1000$ grating data, the continuum was typically only marginally detected and we subtracted this by fitting a spline to the spectrum after masking out any regions which could be contaminated by prominent emission lines. We then performed a single-component Gaussian fit to each line individually, allowing the flux, redshift and line-width to vary independently. In the case of unresolved doublets, such as [O II] $\lambda\lambda 3726, 3729$, we simply fit the entire doublet as a single component. In the case of $H\alpha$ and [N II] $\lambda 6583$, although these lines are never blended in our $R \approx 1000$ grating data, these lines were fit simultaneously and had their line centroids fixed relative to one another. The line flux was obtained as the integrated area under the best-fit Gaussian, and the formal uncertainty on this Gaussian fit was taken as the noise on the line flux. We retained only emission lines which were measured with $S/N > 5$, and visually inspected each fit to ensure the measurement was robust. The emission line fluxes arising from this are reported in Table F.2. We note that there were two cases (ID 10013704 and ID 8083) where a broad component under $H\alpha$ meant that a single component fit was not appropriate. In these cases, the reported $H\alpha$ flux is obtained by integrating the whole line between the zero-power points in the spectrum.

In the case of the Prism/CLEAR data, the much lower spectral resolution ($R \approx 30\text{--}300$) means that blending of emission lines is much more common in these data. Furthermore, which emission lines are blended changes with galaxy redshift due to the wavelength-dependent nature of the resolution. For this reason, although the approach to emission line fitting on the Prism/CLEAR spectra largely followed the same process as described above for the $R \approx 1000$ mode, some redshift-dependent modifications were implemented. As such, which line fluxes are reported as blends changes with redshift. At all redshifts for the prism data, $H\alpha$ + [N II] was fit as a single component, as were close doublets such as [O II] $\lambda\lambda 3726, 3729$ and [S II] $\lambda\lambda 6716, 6731$. The flux of $H\alpha$ + [N II] and [S II] $\lambda\lambda 6716, 6731$ were fit for simultaneously, with fixed centroids. In all cases, the fit to $H\beta$ and [O III] $\lambda\lambda 4959, 5007$ was performed simultaneously with the centroids fixed relative to one another. Above $z > 5.3$, the fluxes of all three components were fit (and reported) independently. At lower redshifts, the ratio of [O III] $\lambda 5007/\lambda 4959$ was fixed to 2.98, but the $H\beta$ flux could still vary independently. Between $2 < z < 5.3$, we report the flux of the [O III] $\lambda\lambda 4959, 5007$ as a blend. For the [O III] $\lambda 4363$ and $H\gamma$ complex, above $z > 7.5$, the resolution allowed for a two-component fit to yield fluxes that are reported separately in Table F.3. Between $5.3 < z < 7.5$, this flux is measured with a two-component fit, but is reported as a blend. At lower redshifts this blend was fit with a single component.

Below $z < 2$ the reported fluxes of lines with rest-frame wavelengths blue-ward of 7000 Å ($\lambda_{\text{obs}} \lesssim 2\mu\text{m}$) are no longer obtained from Gaussian fitting, but instead are measured simply by integrating the continuum-subtracted spectrum of the specified blend. Lines red-ward of this are measured with

Gaussian fitting and are fit independently with the exception of He I 10830 and Pa- γ which are fit simultaneously.

We note that there are many cases where emission lines were identified visually in the data that did not meet our $S/N > 5$ threshold to be included in Tables F.2–F.3, however we opted not to report these fluxes. Particularly in the case of the Prism/CLEAR spectra, which generally speaking have significant continuum detections, reported fluxes for fainter lines become highly sensitive to how the continuum is modelled. We also do not fit for Lyman- α in the Prism/CLEAR spectra here as the flux measurement is highly sensitive to how the continuum and Lyman- α break is modelled. Lyman- α measurements are however reported in Jones et al. (2024) and Saxena et al. (2024). We also note, there may be cases where reported lines are blended with other faint lines, despite this not being explicitly reported as such here. For example, [Ne III] $\lambda 3869$ can be blended with He I $\lambda 3889$ emission. The reported flux in such cases where it appears as a single-peaked feature will reflect the whole complex.

For galaxies which had at least one emission line detected in the $R \approx 1000$ data, we calculate $z_{R \approx 1000}$ as the S/N -weighted average of the redshifts arising from the measured centroids of detected, non-blended lines and adopt this as our preferred redshift (flag ‘A’ in Table F.1). There were 150 cases where a galaxy did not yield a grating redshift in this way (either due to low S/N , or lack of a grating spectrum), but in 52 of these a z_{PRISM} could be derived analogously from the Prism/CLEAR fits (flag ‘B’ in Table F.1). This accounted for 155 highly confident redshift determinations. Of the remaining 98 cases, we report a further grade ‘C’ redshift for 23 targets where the redshift had been determined as being secure from visual inspection (either based on a spectral break and/or one or more low S/N emission lines), and in Table F.4 we simply report the redshift obtained from this original visual inspection. This leaves 75 targets for which the redshift is speculative, ambiguous or unable to be determined. These are heavily weighted toward our lowest priority classes. As can be seen from the slit overlays on the JWST/NIRCam or HST images in Figure 2, some targets fall on the edge of the micro-shutter which will reduce the flux. Some shutters do appear empty, and these are largely targets based on catalogues from the literature which are either spurious or whose astrometry is less accurate (e.g. not from HST).

The medium-dispersion gratings yield more accurate redshifts than the low-dispersion prism, with the typical uncertainty in the centroid for a $S/N = 10$ line being 1 Å for the G140M grating, rising to 2 Å for the G395M, compared to 16–50 Å for the prism. Hence for flag A redshifts, the typical uncertainty is $\Delta z/(1+z) \approx 10^{-4}$ and for flag B redshift the typical uncertainty is $\Delta z/(1+z) \approx 0.0003\text{--}0.003$. Flag C redshift were determined visually and so are less precise. A histogram of redshifts determined from these spectra is shown in Figure 4.

5.2. Comparison of prism and grating observations

We note that our Prism/CLEAR spectra are all non-overlapping, and thus cannot contain contamination from targets placed elsewhere on the MSA. This is not true for the grating data, for which spectra can be overlapping (although our highest priority targets are protected, see Section 2.3). Thus, these spectra occasionally show spurious emission lines. However, given that the Prism/CLEAR observations were significantly deeper than the $R \approx 1000$ grating data, targets which are observed with significant emission lines in the grating always show the same significant emission in the low-resolution data. Thus, all

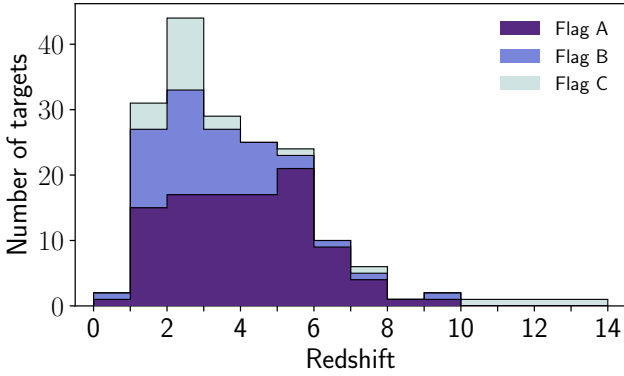


Fig. 4. Histogram of spectroscopic redshifts obtained from $S/N > 5$ emission lines. The separate histograms are for the medium-dispersion $R \approx 1000$ gratings (flag A, darkest purple), additional galaxies with $S/N > 5$ emission lines detected with the low-dispersion $R \approx 30$ – 300 prism (flag B, lighter purple histogram) and galaxies with more marginal redshifts (flag C, lightest histogram).

the grating redshift measurements here can be confirmed to be robust. We note that there were three targets (IDs 8880, 9343, and 10013545) for which the reduced Prism/CLEAR spectrum is sufficiently corrupted that, beyond simply confirming the presence of emission lines, we did not measure the emission line fluxes to be reported in Table F.3. However, in all three cases, secure redshifts and line fluxes were already measured from the $R \approx 1000$ data.

We have 100 galaxies for which we have robust measurements of both $z_{R \approx 1000}$ and z_{PRISM} . In Figure 5 we compare the redshift determinations from the Prism/CLEAR spectra and the $R \approx 1000$ gratings for each galaxy, and find a small systematic offset (with the grating determination of redshift slightly lower than that from the prism) with a median offset of 0.00388 and standard-deviation 0.00628.

We also compare the flux ratio for the same lines where these are detected in both the Prism/Clear and the $R \approx 1000$ gratings, excluding lines which are significantly blended in the prism, and these ratios are shown in Figure 5. We note that the grating fluxes are on average 10% higher than the prism. Bunker et al. (2023) found that the flux in the prism agreed well with the NIRCcam magnitudes (where the spectrum was integrated over the NIRCcam filter bandpass), with the grating spectra showing less good agreement, suggesting that the flux calibration in the prism is more accurate.

5.3. Comments on individual targets

A few MSA shutters exhibited unusual spectral features, often due to more than one source in the shutter. We briefly discuss these below, along with objects which are likely to be stars where proper motion can be seen between the HST/WFC3 images and the JWST/NIRCcam images taken ~ 13 years later.

5.3.1. ID 5293 – star

Proper motion can be identified between HST/WFC3 F775W imaging and JWST/NIRCcam F277W imaging for this object. Furthermore the spectrum looks visually like a brown dwarf star. No proper motion was clearly seen when comparing different-epoch observations from HST alone – possibly due to the motion being comparable to the spatial resolution of HST/WFC3. However, with the better spatial resolution of NIRCcam/SW, we detect a motion of $\approx 0''.05$.

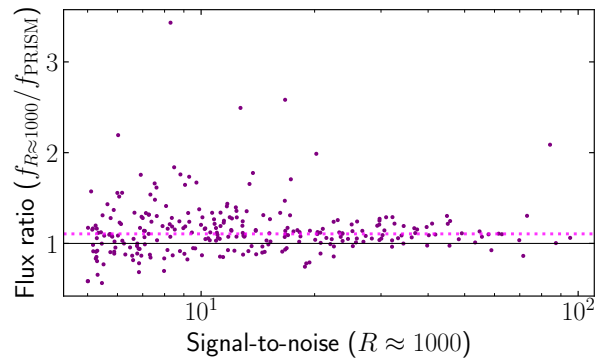
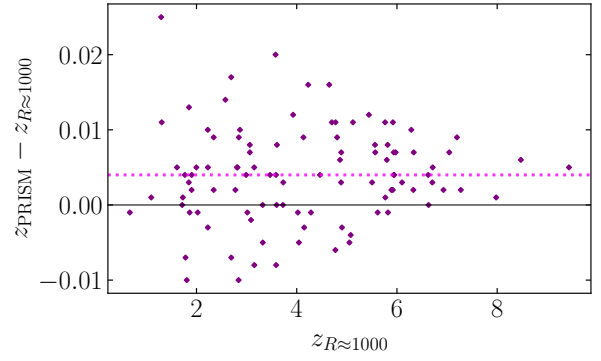


Fig. 5. Comparison of spectral measurements between the low-dispersion prism and medium-dispersion gratings. *Upper:* comparison of redshift as determined from Prism/Clear and $R \approx 1000$ grating observations for targets with emission lines clearly detected in both modes. There is a systematic offset of $\Delta z = 0.0039$, with the prism yielding systematically higher redshifts. *Lower:* comparison of emission lines fluxes measured from prism and $R \approx 1000$ grating. Measurements derived from the grating are systematically higher with a median value of $f_{R \approx 1000}/f_{\text{PRISM}} = 1.105$ and a standard deviation of 0.298.

5.3.2. ID 7624 – two sources in shutter

Two sources can clearly be seen in the HST imaging (Figure 2), and the slit falls between the two sources. Object 7624 in Class 7.7 was the intended target (to the south of the slit), but a Lyman-break galaxy (a F435W b -band dropout) lies just to the north. We observe line detections consistent with [O III] $\lambda 5007$ and $H\alpha$ at $z = 2.665$ (from the target object 7624) and also at $z = 4.854$ from the b -band drop-out.

5.3.3. ID 8896 – possible double source

This micro-shutter was originally targeted on a low redshift galaxy (Class 7.8). We detect at least three compelling emission lines, and one more marginal line. There are emission lines that are consistent with [O III] and $H\alpha$ at $z = 1.984$, and this is reported in Table F.3. However, we note that there are two robust lines that are consistent with a $z = 6.287$ galaxy seen with [O III] and $H\alpha$. The imaging does not obviously reveal the presence of two objects (Figure 2), however there does not seem to be a plausible redshift solution that matches all of these lines simultaneously for a single object.

5.3.4. ID 9992 – possible double source

This object was targeted as a $z > 8.5$ candidate (Class 3). The Prism/CLEAR spectrum reveals a number of emission lines. The

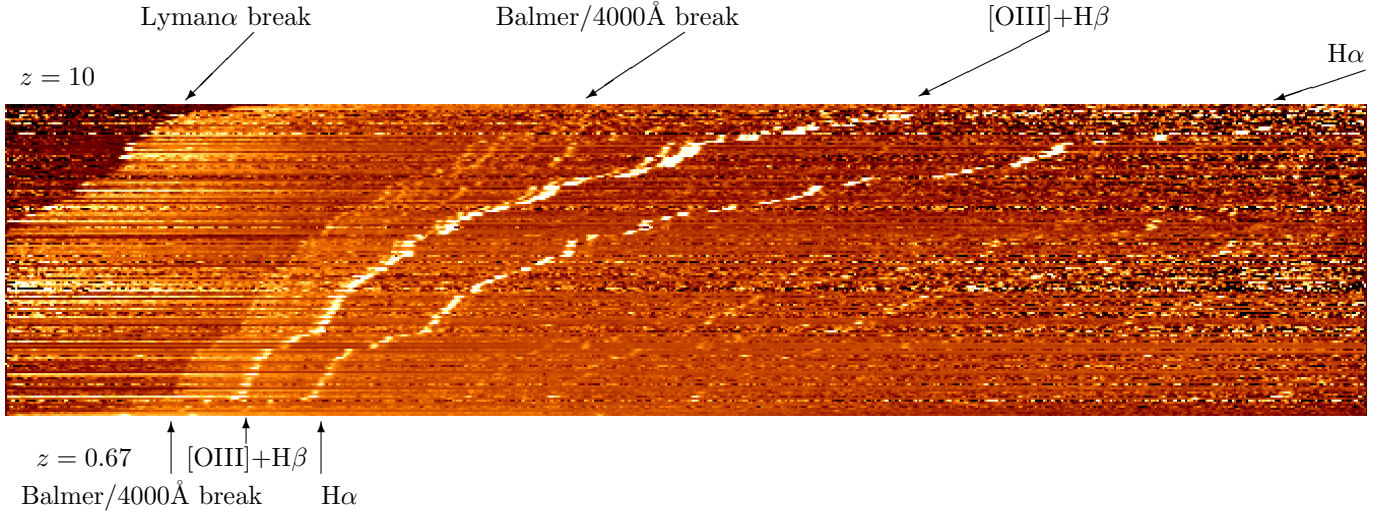


Fig. 6. Extracted 1D NIRSpec prism spectra of galaxies with good redshifts in the GOODS-South/HUDF field, ordered by redshift (with highest redshifts at the top). Each spectrum is plotted in flux units of $f_\lambda \lambda^{1.5}$ (i.e. a galaxy with a spectral slope of $\beta = -1.5$ will have constant brightness with wavelength in this plot) and normalised by the mean intensity at $2.3 < \lambda < 4.45 \mu\text{m}$. Wavelength increases to the right, from 0.6–5.3 μm . The Lyman- α break and Balmer/4000 \AA break are clearly visible, as are the prominent emission lines $\text{H}\alpha$ and the $\text{H}\beta$ + $[\text{OIII}]$ 4959,5007 complex (which is blended at low redshift but resolved at higher redshift).

two most significant emission features are consistent with $[\text{O III}]$ and $\text{H}\alpha$ at $z = 1.962$. However, an emission line at 5.1 μm could be $\text{H}\beta$ or $[\text{O III}] \lambda 5007$ at $z > 9$, and this would be consistent with a tentative spectral break observed at 1.25 μm being a Lyman- α break. The NIRCcam photometry reveals two components separated by only $0''.15$ (Figure 2). One of these is photometrically consistent with a drop-out galaxy at $z \sim 10$, while the other (over which the central shutter is better placed) is more consistent with lower redshift solutions. We do not consider our high redshift solution from the spectrum to be highly robust, and Table F.1 reports the low-redshift solution.

5.3.5. ID 10040 – multiple sources in shutter

Imaging clearly shows multiple sources with flux in the shutter. The spectrum has clear detections of emission lines consistent with $[\text{O III}]$ and $\text{H}\alpha$ at $z = 3.14$, which we report in Table F.3. There is also, however, continuum detected in the 2D spectrum, which appears to be spatially offset from the emission lines that we detect and which may arise from another source.

5.3.6. ID 10035328 – star

Proper motion can be identified between the HST/WFC3 images and the JWST/NIRCcam images.

5.4. Quantifying the success of target selection

To measure the success of the class-based allocation, we looked at which targets from which classes actually ended up having the redshift expected (and desired line flux S/N in the case of Class 4).

In our highest-priority Class 1 (predicted redshifts $z > 8.5$ and $AB < 29$), we targeted six galaxies, five of which were robustly confirmed to be at high redshift: three at $z > 11$ have previously been reported in Curtis-Lake et al. (2023) (GSz12-0=2773 at $z = 12.63$, GSz11-0=10014220 at $z = 11.58$, GSz13-0=17400 at $z = 13.20$) and have strong Lyman- α breaks but no significant line emission. Galaxy 10058975 at $z = 9.43$ exhibits

many strong emission lines (see Figure E.1), as does galaxy 8013 (which falls just below the targeted redshift cut at $z = 8.47$). One galaxy, ID 10014170, did not have obvious features in its spectrum and its redshift is ambiguous. Hence, we have a success rate of 83% in pre-selecting Priority Class 1 targets which are then spectroscopically confirmed to be at high redshift.

In Class 2 (candidates at $z > 8.5$ with $AB < 29$ which are more marginal), of the two targets one has a robust redshift of $z = 9.68$ (galaxy 6438), and the second target (galaxy 7300) has an inconclusive spectrum. Class 3 has three $z > 8.5$ candidates fainter than $AB > 29$, but even here we are successful in confirming the high redshift nature of some of these: of the three targets, ID 10014177 was previously reported in Curtis-Lake et al. (2023) as GSz10-0 at $z = 10.38$. Galaxy 9992 was discussed in Section 5.3.4; there is clearly a low-redshift interloper at $z = 1.962$, but inspection of the imaging reveals that there is a second galaxy, and the spectrum provides hints of other lines which may be consistent with a second source at $z > 9$. We regard this spectrum as inconclusive. The third galaxy (ID 6621) has no strong emission lines but may exhibit a spectral break consistent with a Lyman- α break at a tentative redshift of $z = 9.6$. Hence, for all 11 of the $z > 8.5$ candidates targeted, seven were clearly at high redshift (a fraction of 64%), and four had inconclusive redshifts (36%).

We now discuss the success of the selection in Class 4, where galaxies at $5.7 < z < 8.5$ were targeted which were sufficiently bright ($AB < 27.5$ in the wavebands corresponding to the rest-UV) that high S/N emission lines are expected. Of the 20 sources in Class 4 which were targeted, 17 were confirmed to be at high redshift (including galaxy 16745 at $z = 5.57$, which fell just below the targeted redshift range). The emission line fluxes for $\text{H}\alpha$ were typically brighter than $7.5 \times 10^{-19} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (except for one object, ID 6384) as expected from our rest-UV pre-selection (Section 2). The uncertainty on the line flux from the prism is about $0.3 \times 10^{-19} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ as predicted, so we met our requirement of $S/N > 25$ in $\text{H}\alpha$ for the sample in Class 4, enabling the physics of the ISM and the metal enrichment to be explored (Cameron et al. 2023; Curti et al. 2024). Our overall success rate in Class 4 is 85%, although we note that one

of the three objects (out of 20) for which we did not obtain a good spectrum is ID 10035328, which is a likely star (see Section 5.3.6).

Fainter candidates than in Class 4 but in the same redshift interval $5.7 < z < 8.5$ were placed in Class 6.1 if they were brighter than $AB = 29$ in HST/F160W (or the NIRCcam filter around rest-frame 1500 Å), and in Class 6.2 if they were fainter than that. The success rate in Class 6.1 is very good, with eight of nine galaxies having redshifts in the targeted range. We note that object 8115 does not have emission lines but does a strong Lyman- α break and a weaker Balmer break at $z = 7.3$, and the JADES spectrum has been discussed in Looser et al. (2024) as a potential quiescent galaxy. The NIRSpec spectrum of ID 3334 at $z = 6.71$ has been presented in Witstok et al. (2023) and shows evidence of broad rest-frame UV absorption around 2175 Å. Object 3137 is a low-redshift interloper with $z = 1.91$, so our overall success rate in Class 6.1 is 89%. In the fainter Class 6.2, four of the seven objects have spectroscopic redshifts within the target range, with two galaxies also at redshifts slightly below this (object 8113 at $z = 4.90$ and object 17260 at $z = 4.89$). One spectrum (object 10014117) had no significant features from which a redshift could be determined. The NIRSpec spectrum of object 10013682 shows very strong Lyman- α emission at the systemic redshift of $z = 7.28$, as discussed in Saxena et al. (2023). Our success rate for Class 6.2 is 57%, rising to 86% if the two galaxies at $z = 4.9$ are included.

The success rate for Class 7 is recorded in Table 1 for the sub-classes 7.5–7.8, where there are significant numbers (>20) of galaxies targeted. Taking the metric for ‘success’ as being a measured spectroscopic redshift within $\Delta z = 0.1$ of the intended redshift range, we have success rates of 83% in the highest redshift slice ($4.5 < z < 5.7$, Class 7.5), around 80% for Classes 7.6 and 7.7, and 64% for the lowest redshift bin ($1.5 < z < 2.5$, Class 7.8). The interloper fractions were ≈ 3 –4%, but these comprised galaxies only slightly outside the desired redshift bin (e.g. object 3892 has a redshift of $z = 2.80$ and was selected to be in Class 7.6 at $3.5 < z < 4.5$). Those galaxies in Class 7 for which a reliable redshift could not be inferred amounted to $<20\%$ of those targeted, and these tended to be the sources which were less well centred within the shutters, resulting in large slit losses.

Overall our priority class pre-selection strategy seemed successful; for the more robust galaxies, 80% or more of the time the spectroscopic redshift fell in the anticipated range, and the line fluxes for Class 4 (which had been pre-selected on the basis of the rest-UV) were also as anticipated.

6. Conclusions

We have presented very deep spectroscopy obtained with JWST/NIRSpec in its multi-object MSA mode. In all, 253 targets were observed in this JADES Deep/HST spectroscopy covering the Hubble Ultra Deep Field, and the surrounding GOODS-South, with total integrations times of up to 28 hours for the low-dispersion prism ($R \approx 30$ –300), and up to 7 hours in the three medium dispersion gratings ($R \approx 1000$) and one high dispersion grating (G395H, $R \approx 2700$). We detected emission lines with $S/N > 5$ in 155 targets with the low-dispersion prism (see Figure 6), 103 of which also had emission lines detected at this significance in $R \approx 1000$ gratings. The robust redshifts determined for these galaxies spanned a range from $z = 0.66$ to $z = 13.2$, with 18 lying at $z > 6$. A further 23 galaxies has more tentative redshifts. We are able to detect emission lines at $S/N > 5$ as faint as $\approx 10^{-19}$ erg cm $^{-2}$ s $^{-1}$ in our deepest prism

spectra, and we have been able to confirm redshifts for some sources fainter than $AB = 29$. Our selection of targets preferentially places the rarer high redshift targets on the MSA at higher priority, with more numerous lower-redshift galaxies filling unused regions, so that we can probe a large redshift range from ‘cosmic noon’ ($z \sim 2$) to within the epoch of reionization ($z > 6$) with reasonable numbers of galaxies in several redshift slices. We have demonstrated that our pre-selection of targets from HST and JWST imaging, based on broad-band magnitudes and photometric redshifts (including many Lyman break galaxy candidates) is highly effective, with $\sim 80\%$ of galaxies targeted having spectroscopic confirmation within the expected redshift bin. Hence our target selection and the quality and depth of the NIRSpec MSA spectroscopy means that our science goals for the JADES project can be met.

Data availability

Full versions of Tables F.1, F.2 and F.3 are available on <https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.02467> and in electronic form at the CDS ftp to (130.79.128.5) or at <https://cdsarc.cds.unistra.fr/viz-bin/cat/J/A+A/690/A288>.

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Appendix A: Astrometry of HST-based targets

Astrometric offsets have previously been noted between previous reductions of HST imaging and other datasets registered to the GAIA DR2 astrometric frame (Dunlop et al. 2017; Franco et al. 2018; Whitaker et al. 2019). These studies have corrected the astrometry of CANDELS and 3DHST onto the Gaia DR2 frame (Gaia Collaboration 2016, 2018) with a bulk offset of 0.26 arcsec.

We used the Complete *Hubble* Archive for Galaxy Evolution (CHArGE) re-reduction of the HST imaging in GOODS-S, where all input frames have been carefully registered to the GAIA DR2 astrometric frame (Kokorev et al. 2022; Brammer 2023)⁵. In order to attain the astrometric accuracy required to ensure light is captured by an MSA shutter, we revisited the astrometry of the literature photometric candidates. For the large catalogues from 3DHST and UVUDF, and for the Lyman break surveys of Finkelstein et al. (2015) and Harikane et al. (2016), we matched the reported position of all brighter than $F160W < 26$ to the GAIA-DR2-registered catalogues using $0''.5$ tolerance. Based on this, we identified that, in addition to the bulk offset previously identified, there was also a plate scale difference amounting to about 1 part in 5000. Across the full GOODS-S field ($10' \times 15'$ in size) this amounts to systematic errors larger than the width of a micro-shutter, highlighting the need for correcting this effect.

We fit a simple tangent-plane astrometric transformation allowing for a bulk offset, plate scale, and rotation to these offsets. We favoured the approach of fitting an astrometric transformation to the coordinates over re-measuring the centroids of objects in the CHArGE images because this new reduction had 100 mas drizzled pixels, and was not optimised for the selection of $z \geq 6$ targets in the HUDF, where the HST data were deepest. Thus, many of the targets that ended up in our highest priority classes were not clearly detected in these reductions.

Fitting this simple transformation to the Skelton et al. (2014) catalogue, we found that we reduced the residual RMS scatter on the positional offsets to 34 mas across the entire GOODS-South field. This corresponds to 17% of the illuminated NIRS spec slit width of $0''.2$.

Given many of our highest priority targets were taken from Lyman-break catalogues, and did not necessarily appear in Skelton et al. (2014), we also constructed separate astrometric transformations for catalogues from Bouwens et al. (2015, 2021), Finkelstein et al. (2015) and Harikane et al. (2016). We found that very similar astrometric offsets were present in these catalogues, however the exact magnitude of each component of the correction varied slightly. The residuals on transformed coordinates were similarly ~ 30 – 50 mas after applying the relevant transformation.

We considered the corrections applied to Skelton et al. (2014) to be the most robust, since that catalogue had more entries than the Lyman-break catalogues. Thus, to obtain updated ‘GAIA DR2’ coordinates, we used the correction derived from Skelton et al. (2014) for all targets that had a counterpart in this catalogue.

In some cases, high-priority targets were not matched to a counterpart in the Skelton et al. (2014) catalogue, in which case we used a correction from the astrometric fit to one of the catalogues of Finkelstein et al. (2015), Harikane et al. (2016) or Bouwens et al. (2021) to obtain updated coordinates.

There were some cases where we placed high-priority targets that were not in one of the catalogues discussed above (e.g. Bouwens et al. 2011a and the $z \sim 10$ candidate from McLure et al. 2013). In these cases we remeasured the centroid using the latest HLF (*Hubble* Legacy Field) v2.0 reduction of the GOODS-South images, which we assessed as having astrometry in sufficiently good agreement with the GAIA DR2 frame.

Finally, we retained some targets in our catalogue for which we did not have a reliable conversion of the reported coordinates to the GAIA DR2 frame. However, these targets were flagged such that they could not appear any higher than Priority Class 9, and were only placed at the expense of extra sky shutters (Table 1).

Appendix B: Caveats of early data release

At the time of target selection two weeks after the images were obtained, several issues present in the image reduction and analysis may have affected the prioritisation of the targets. The flat fields that were available at the time introduced spurious small-scale structure in the background at faint levels in some areas, leading to a large number of spurious detections close to the detection limit in those areas. Improvements to the flat fields since then will allow us to push to deeper limits in future targeting. In particular, Class 3 was designed to include fainter, less secure high redshift targets, but we retained those allocated from the HST pre-selection, and did not supplement with JWST-based sources fainter than $AB = 29.5$ mag. Improvements in the flat fielding, in the small and large scale background subtraction including wisps, and in the object deblending, especially near large bright sources, means that the current photometric measurements and source positions may differ from the very early estimates available at the time of target selection. In particular the Kron-based aperture measurements that were used for the flux cut in Class 7, which was designed to approach a total magnitude cut, were significantly impacted by these improvements.

Appendix C: Slit Overlays of Targets

Figures C.1–C.3, continued from Figure 2, showing the positions MSA shutter overlaid on observed targets.

⁵ <https://s3.amazonaws.com/grizli-stsci/Mosaics/index.html>

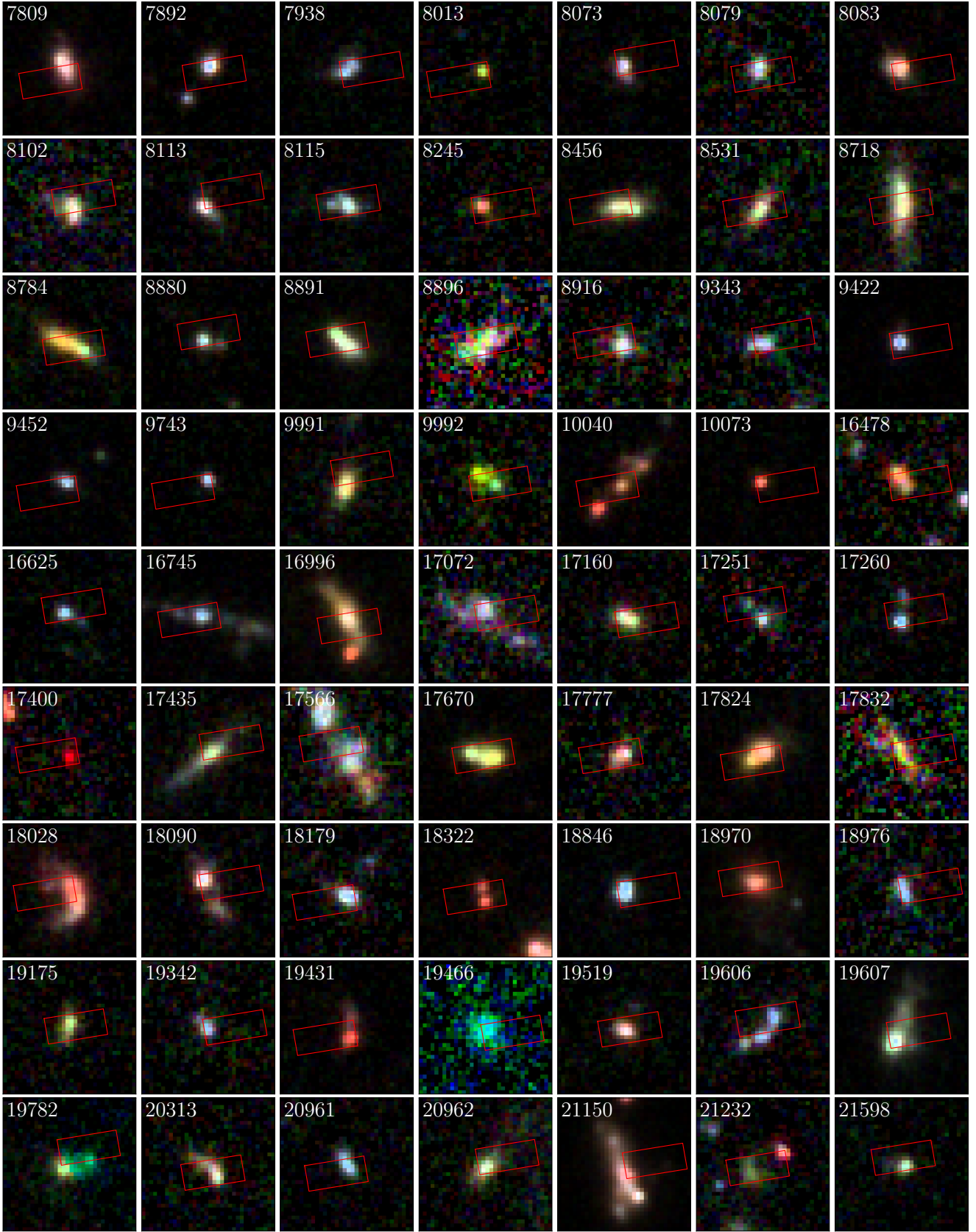


Fig. C.1: Overlay of target shutter positions onto the images for target IDs 7809–21598 sorted by NIRSpec ID number, starting at the top left. The illuminated shutter regions are outlined ($0'.46 \times 0'.20$). The image is derived from the JWST/NIRCam F115W/F150W/F200W images from JADES (blue/green/red channels). The individual images are $1''.0$ on a side, and are centred on the input coordinate of the target. North is up and East is to the left.

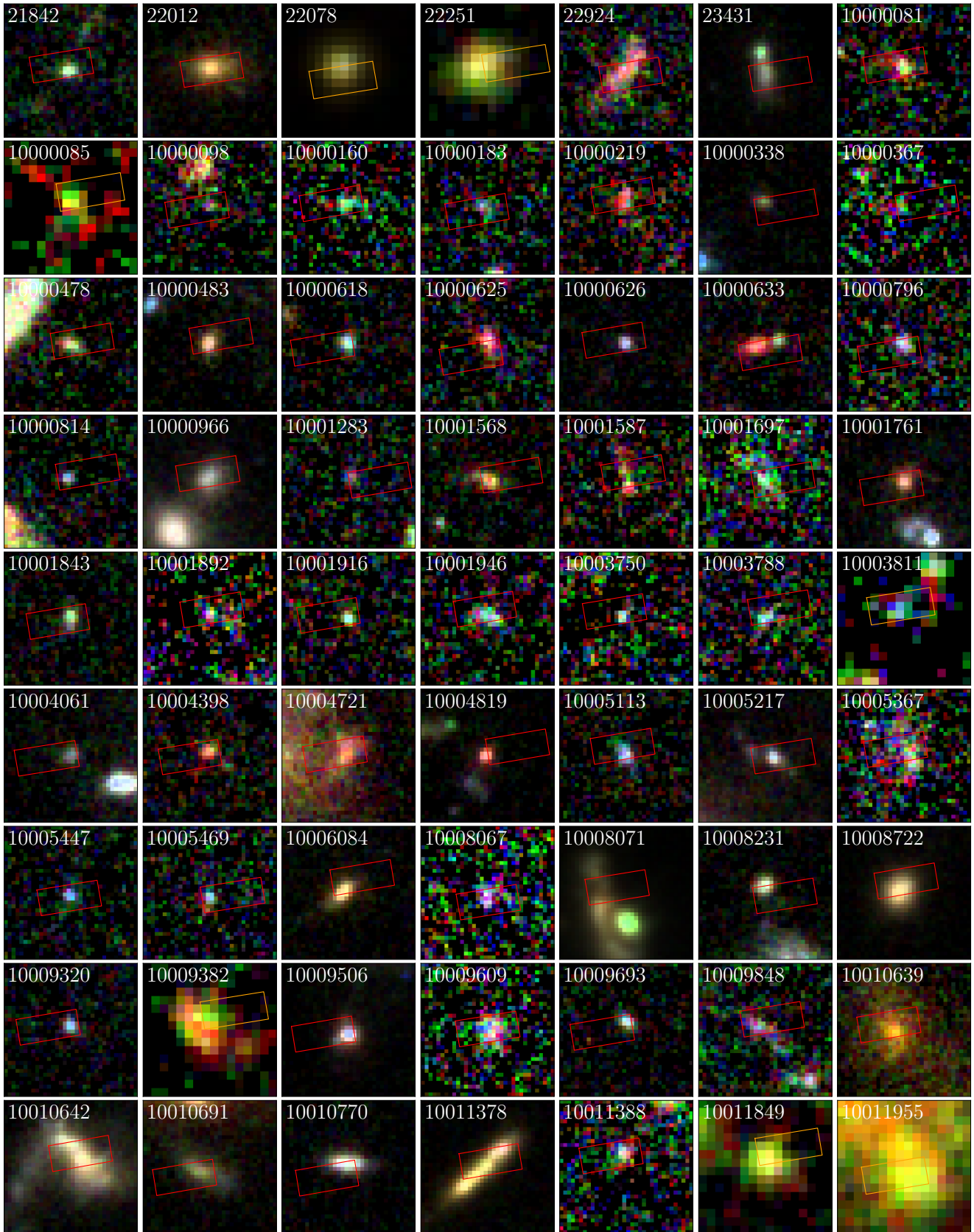


Fig. C.2: Overlay of target shutter positions onto the images for target IDs 21842–10011955 sorted by NIRSPEC ID number, starting at the top left. The illuminated shutter regions are outlined ($0'.46 \times 0'.20$). A red outline indicates that the image is derived from the JWST/NIRCam F115W/F150W/F200W images from JADES (blue/green/red channels), and an orange outline denotes HST ACS-F850LP/WFC3-F125W/WFC3-F160W images. The individual images are $1''$ on a side, and are centred on the input coordinate of the target. North is up and East is to the left.

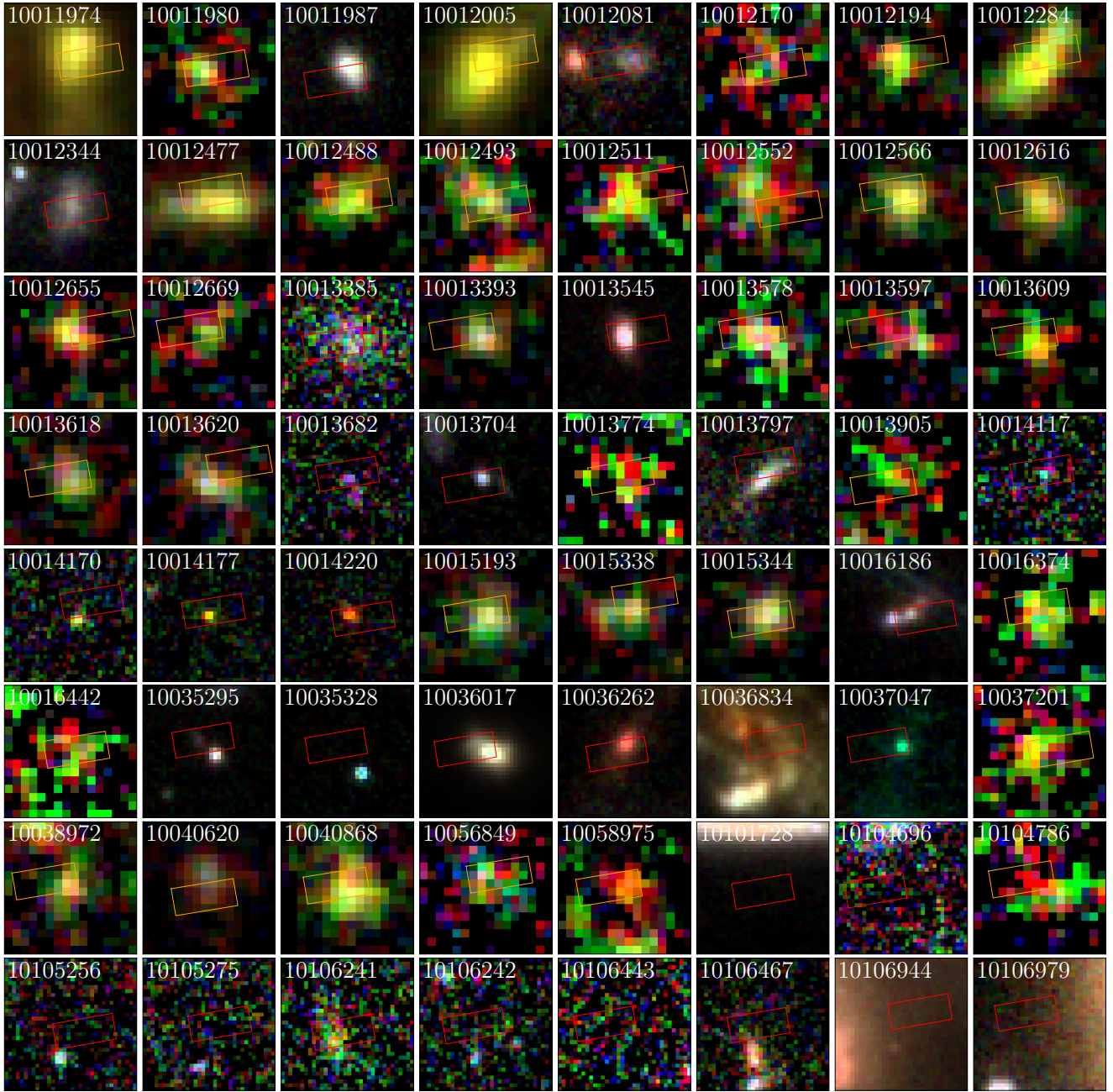


Fig. C.3: Overlay of target shutter positions onto the images for targets ID 10011974–10106979 sorted by NIRSpec ID number, starting at the top left. The illuminated shutter regions are outlined (0.46×0.20). A red outline indicates that the image is derived from the JWST/NIRCam F115W/F150W/F200W images from JADES (blue/green/red channels), and an orange outline denotes HST ACS-F850LP/WFC3-F125W/WFC3-F160W images. The individual images are $1''0$ on a side, and are centred on the input coordinate of the target. North is up and East is to the left.

Appendix D: Layout of Shutters in the HUDF/GOODS-South Field

Figures D.1–D.3 continue from Figure 3, showing the remaining three quadrants of the MSA positioned on the field.

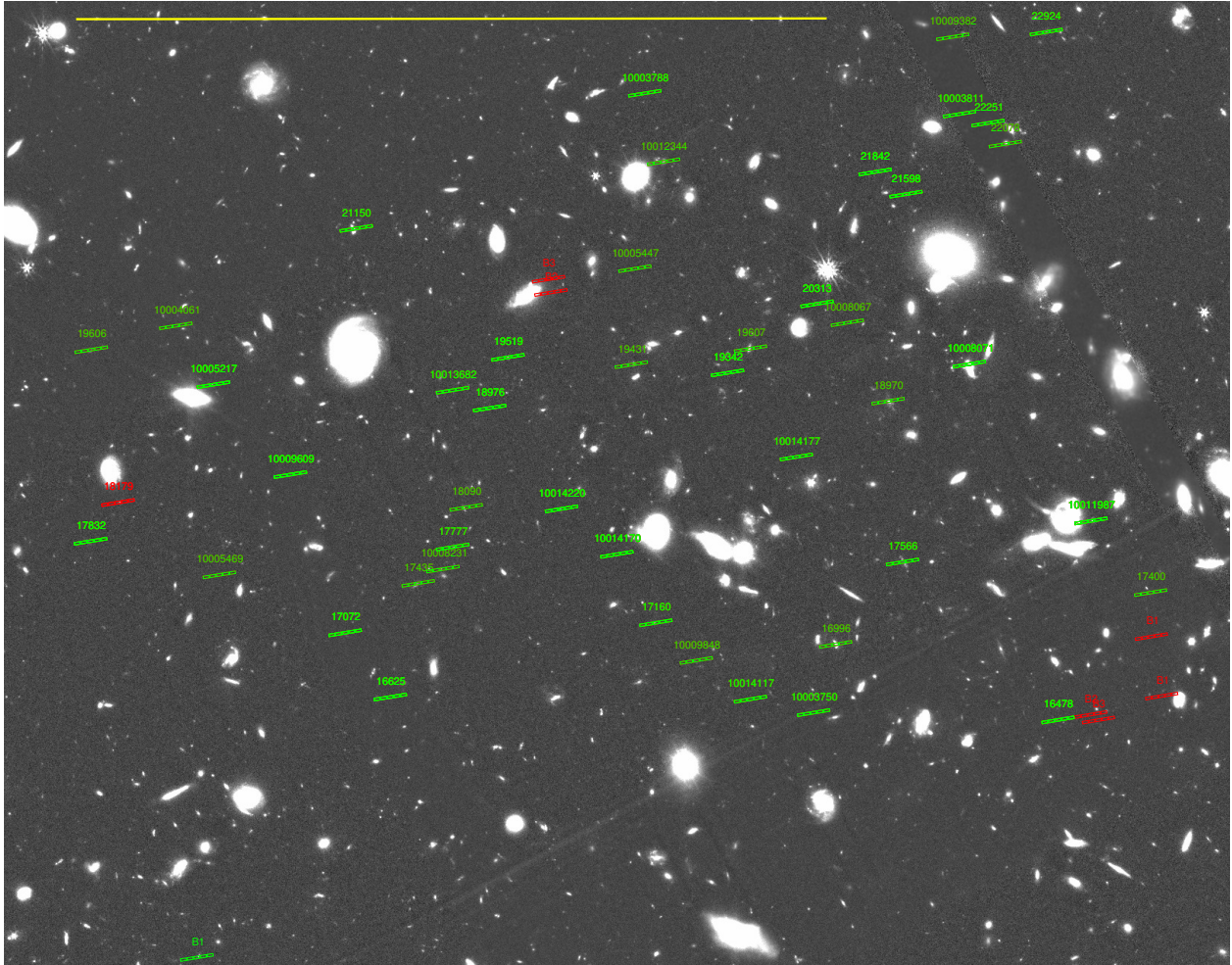


Fig. D.1: Quadrant 1 of the MSA, showing allocation of micro-shutters to targets. Those in green are covered by both the grating configurations and the low-dispersion prism. The red shutters are open only in the prism observations, as they would lead to overlapping spectra for our high priority targets in the grating configuration. Three micro-shutters are opened for each target, but the nodding by ± 1 shutter means that spectra are obtained over the areas covered by five shutters (including background) which are displayed. The field displayed is the NIRCcam F200W image. The yellow scale bar denotes 1 arcmin. North is up and East is to the left. Shutters with the prefix 'B' are empty sky background.

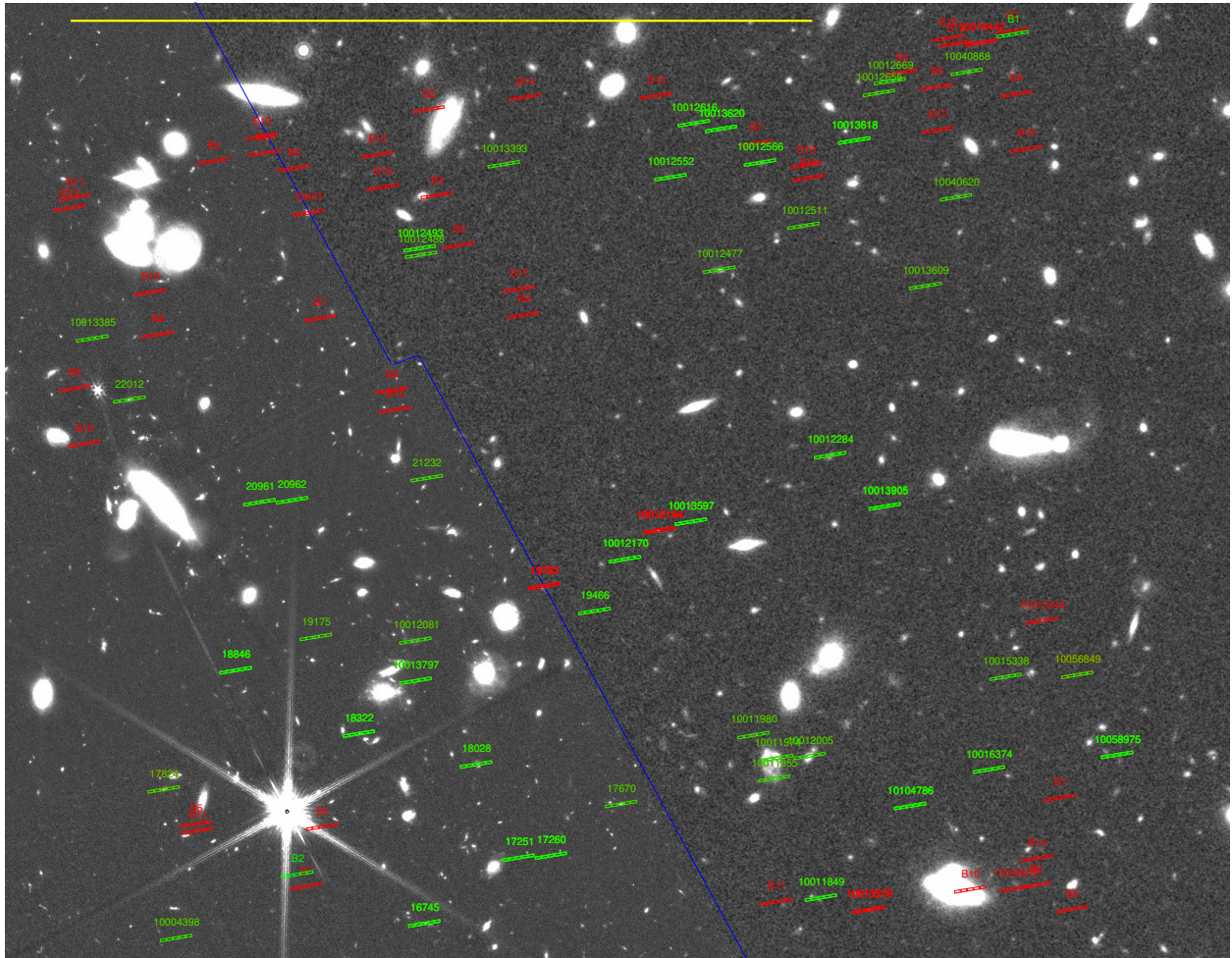


Fig. D.2: Quadrant 2 of the MSA, showing allocation of micro-shutters to targets. Those in green are covered by both the grating configurations and the low-dispersion prism. The red shutters are open only in the prism observations, as they would lead to overlapping spectra for our high priority targets in the grating configuration. Three micro-shutters are opened for each target, but the nodding by ± 1 shutter means that spectra are obtained over the areas covered by five shutters (including background) which are displayed. North is up and East is to the left. The field displayed is the NIRCcam F200W image, except for the area West of the blue line which had not yet been imaged by NIRCcam and we show the HST F160W image. The yellow scale bar denotes 1 arcmin. Shutters with the prefix ‘B’ are empty sky background.

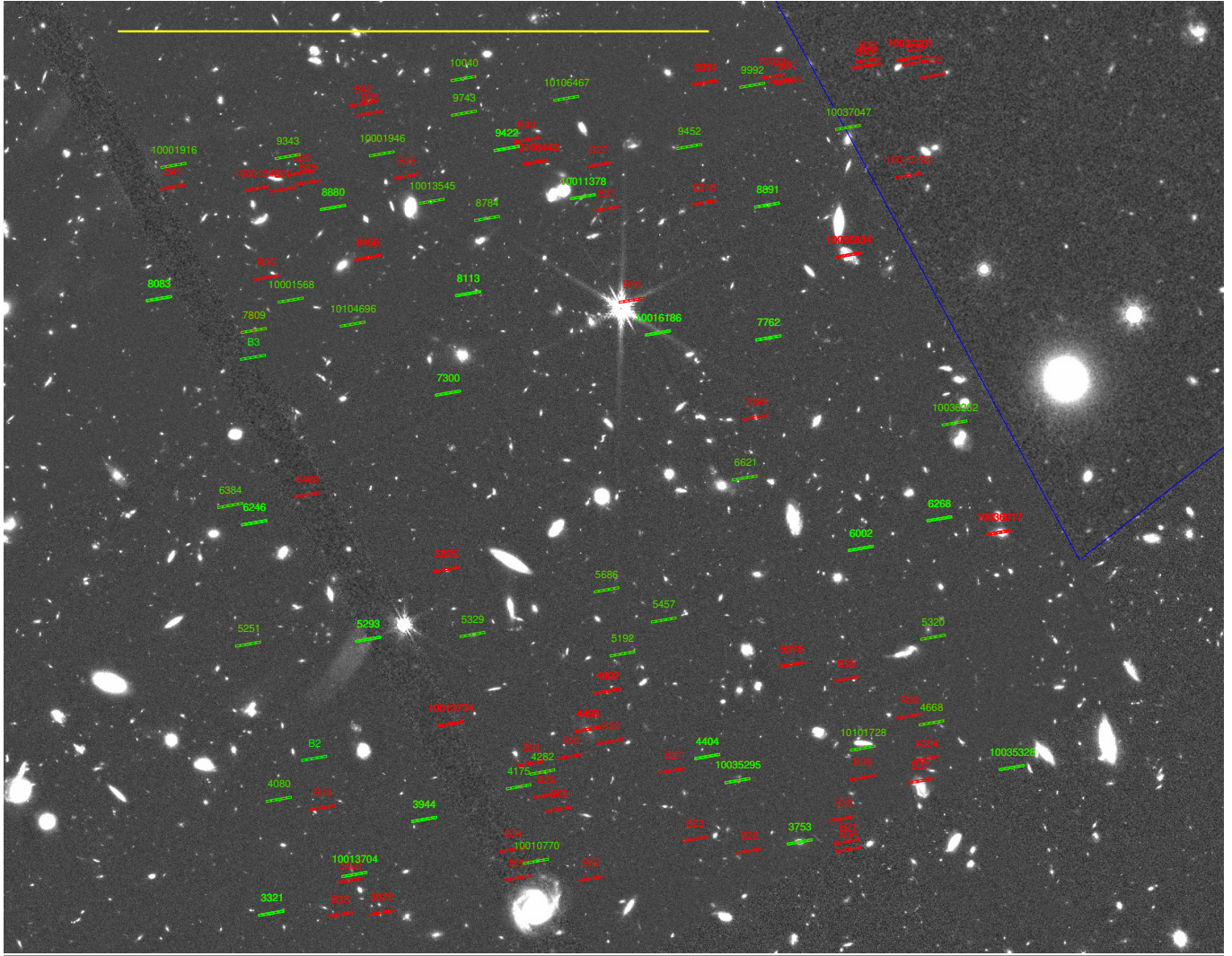


Fig. D.3: Quadrant 4 of the MSA, showing allocation of micro-shutters to targets. Those in green are covered by both the grating configurations and the low-dispersion prism. The red shutters are open only in the prism observations, as they would lead to overlapping spectra for our high priority targets in the grating configuration. Three micro-shutters are opened for each target, but the nodding by ± 1 shutter means that spectra are obtained over the areas covered by five shutters (including background) which are displayed. North is up and East is to the left. The field displayed is the NIRCcam F200W image, except for the area North-West of the blue line which had not yet been imaged by NIRCcam and we show the HST F160W image. The yellow scale bar denotes 1 arcmin. Shutters with the prefix 'B' are empty sky background.

Appendix E: Example Spectra

Example spectra covering a range of redshifts are shown in Figures E.1–E.10. The low-dispersion prism spectrum is shown, along with the medium dispersion grating of emission prominent lines.

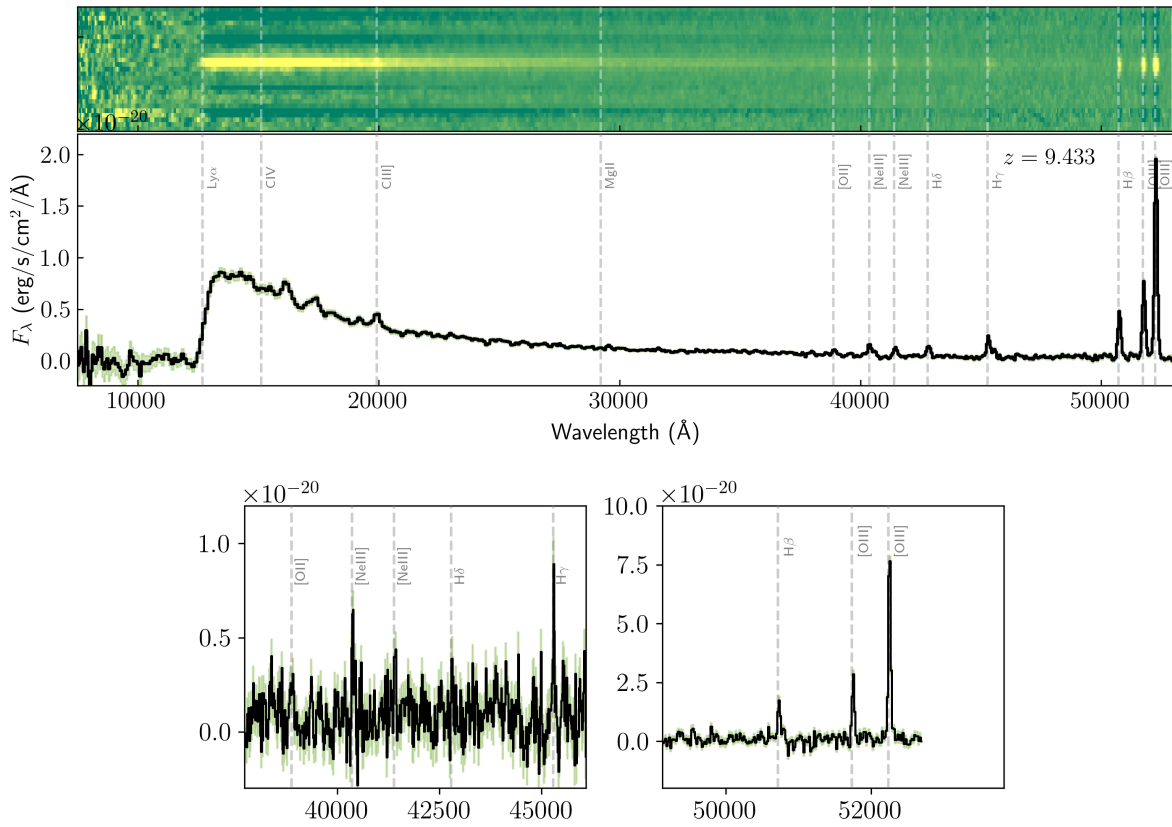


Fig. E.1: Low-dispersion prism spectra (1D and 2D) of 10058975 at $z = 9.4327$, with the medium dispersion grating of prominent lines shown below. Green shaded regions on the 1D spectra denote the 1σ errors. The wavelengths of common emission lines are denoted by vertical lines.

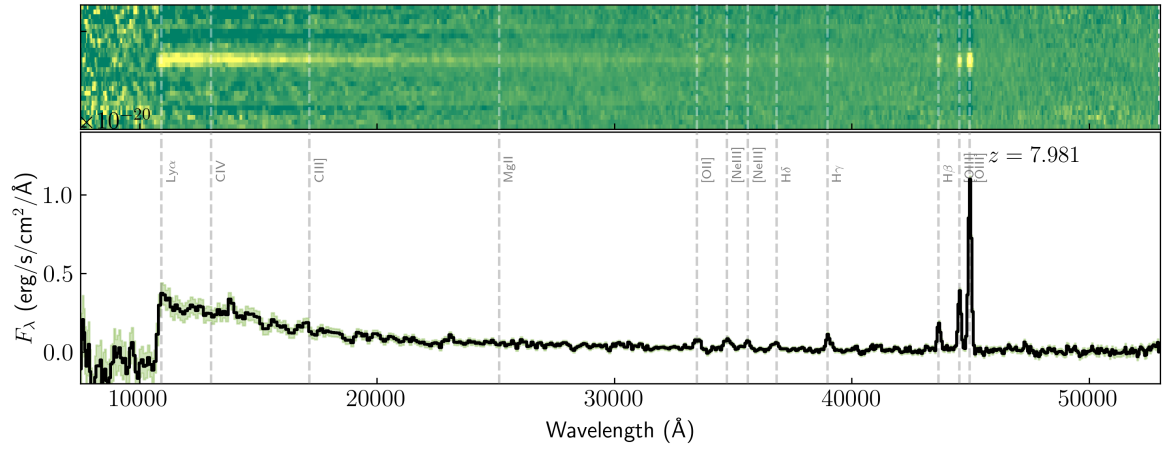


Fig. E.2: As for Figure E.1, but showing galaxy 021842 at $z = 7.9806$.

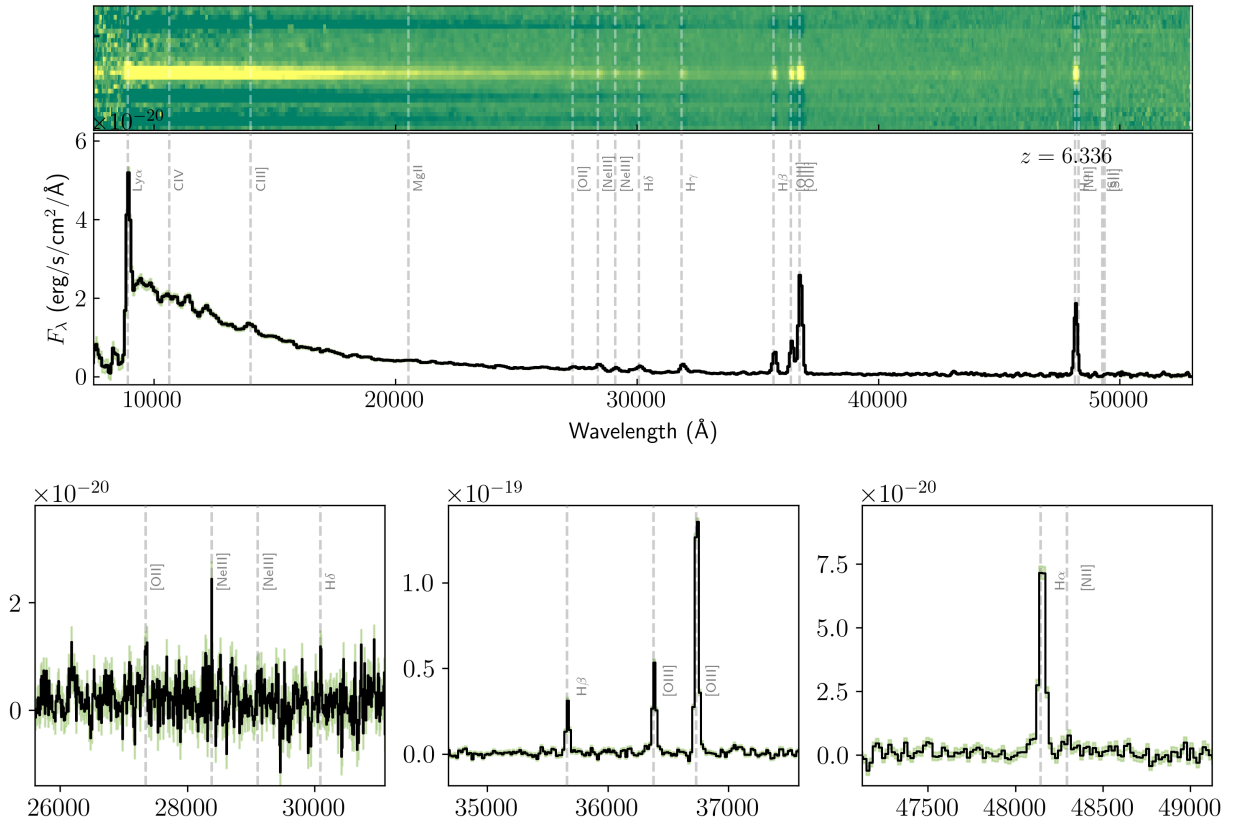


Fig. E.3: As for Figure E.1, but showing galaxy 018846 at $z = 6.33$.

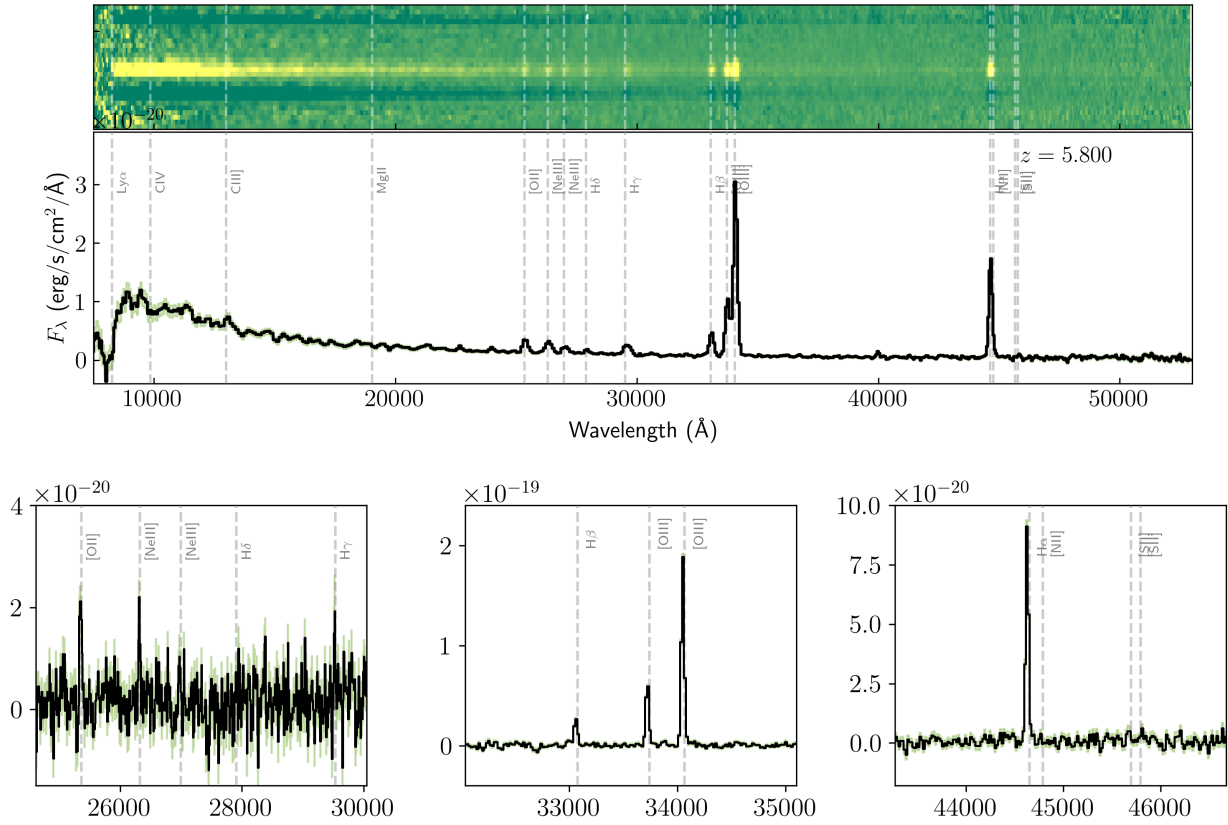


Fig. E.4: As for Figure E.1, but showing galaxy 022251 at $z = 5.79$.

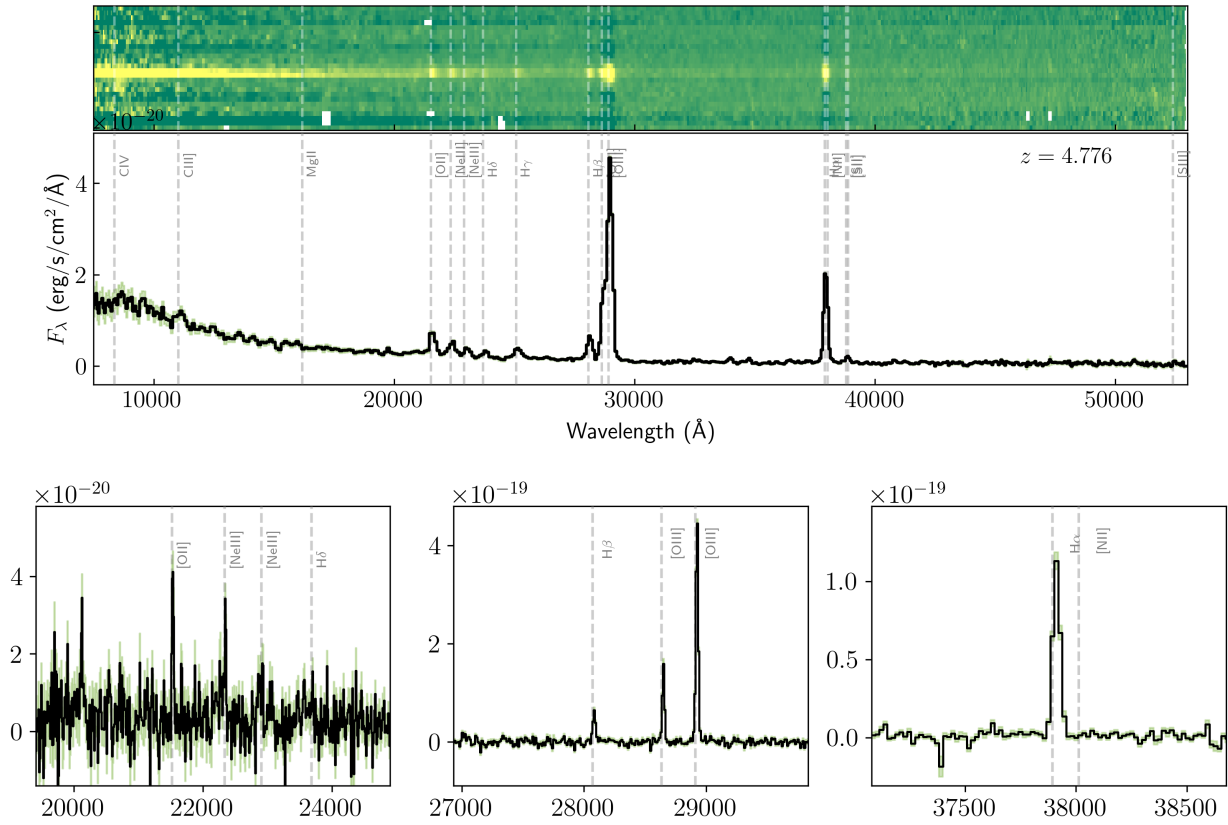


Fig. E.5: As for Figure E.1, but showing galaxy 018090 at $z = 4.77$.

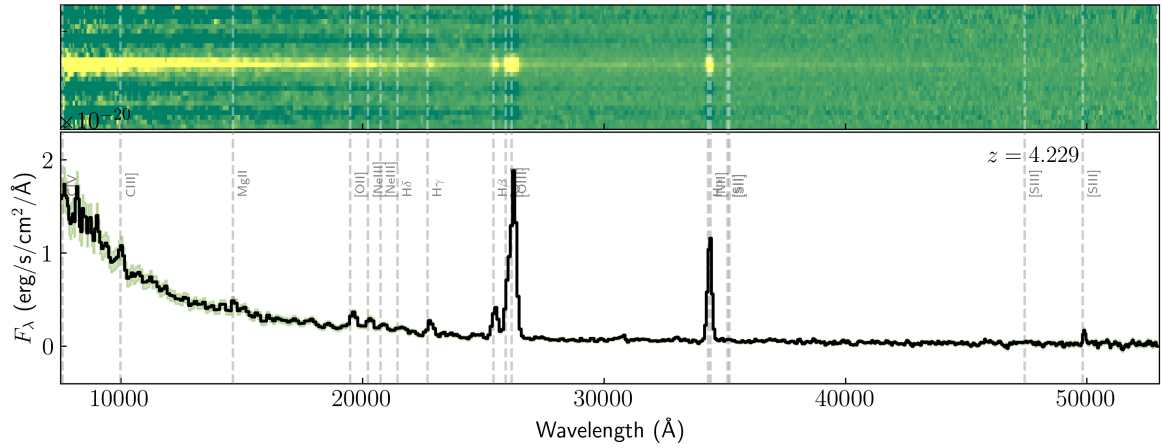


Fig. E.6: As for Figure E.1, but showing galaxy 007892 at $z = 4.2287$.

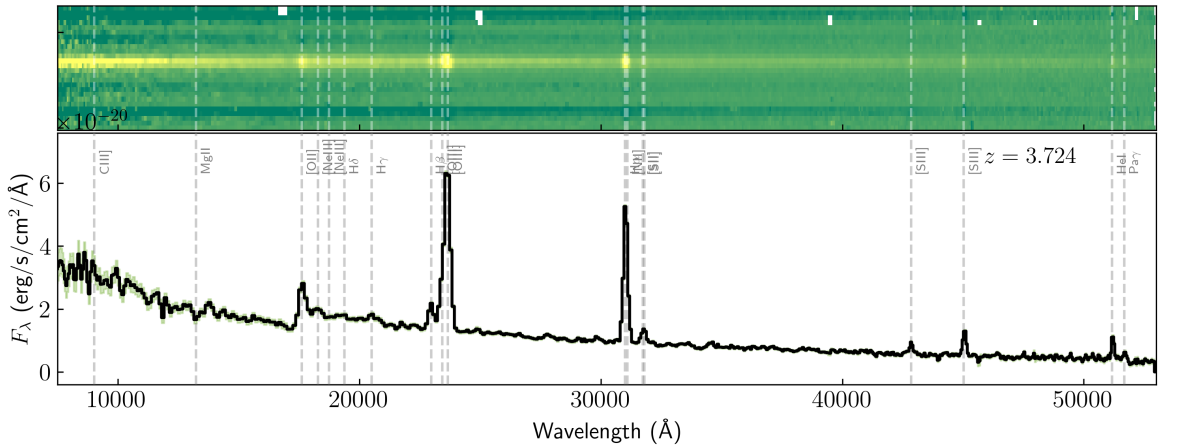


Fig. E.7: As for Figure E.1, but showing galaxy 018970 at $z = 3.7245$. Note the Balmer break just below [OII] 3727.

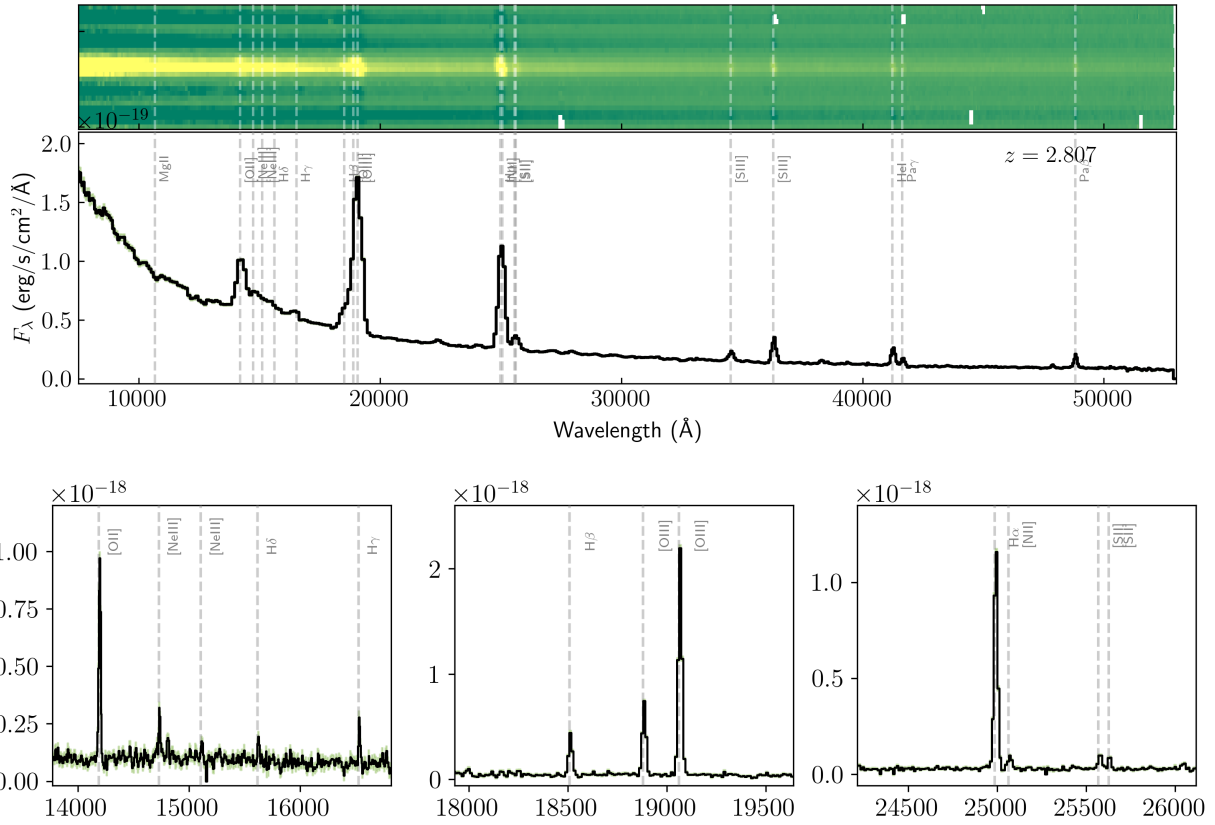


Fig. E.8: As for Figure E.1, but showing galaxy 003892 at $z = 2.8072$. Note the Balmer break just below [OII] 3727.

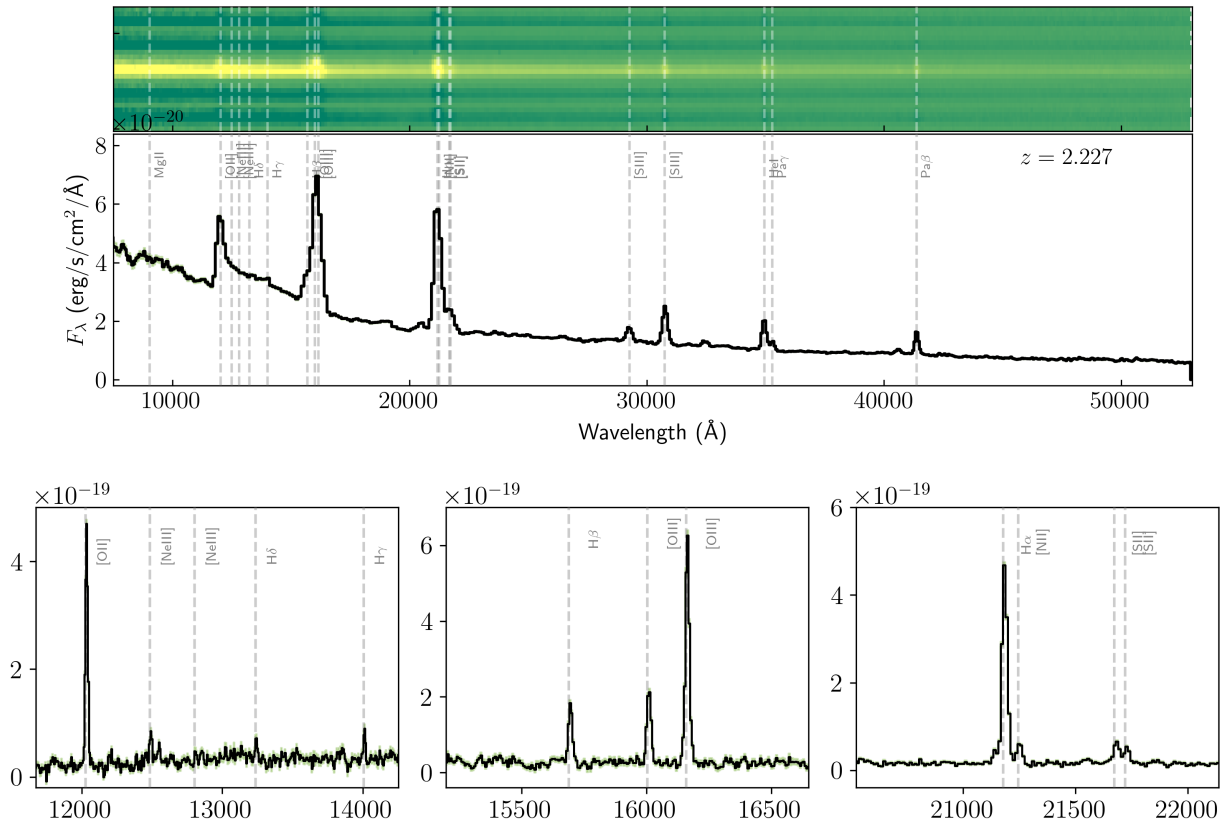


Fig. E.9: As for Figure E.1, but showing galaxy 003892 at $z = 2.227$. Note the Balmer break just below [OII] 3727.

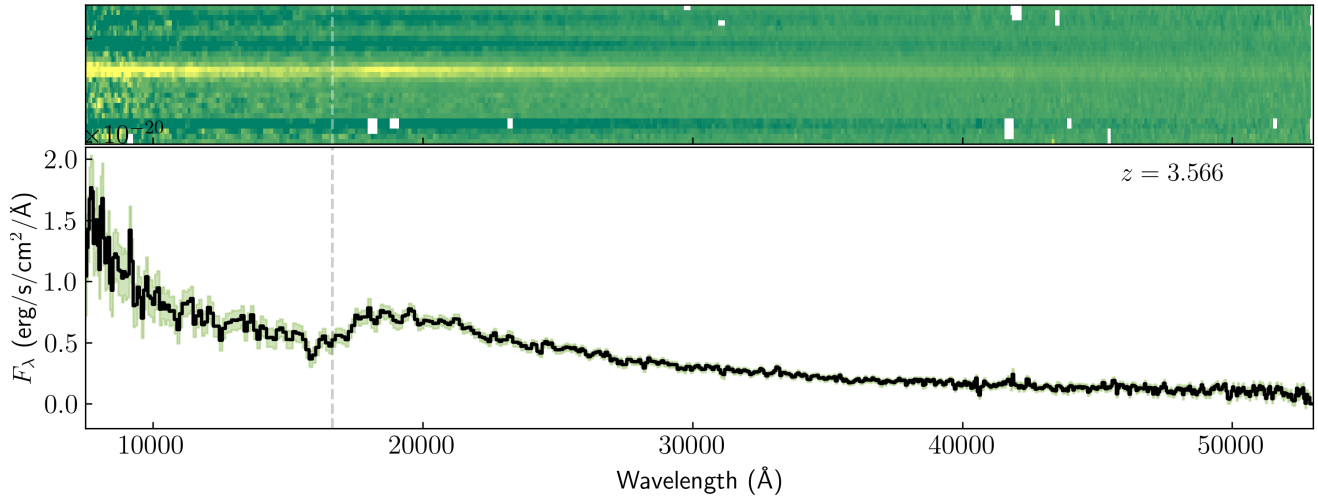


Fig. E.10: Prism spectra (1D and 2D) of 10036262, a galaxy which does not exhibit strong line emission but has a clear spectral break corresponding to a Balmer/4000 Å break at $z = 3.566$.

Appendix F: Tables of targets

We present tables of the priority classes and positions for each object observed (Table F.1), and the fluxes of lines detected at $S/N > 5$ in the medium dispersion grating spectra (Table F.2) and the low-dispersion prism spectra (Table F.3), along with the derived redshifts.

Table F.1: Table of targeted sources, ranked in priority order for placement on the MSA (highest priority at the top) – truncated table, full version on <https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.02467> and at the CDS.

NIRSpec_ID	NIRCam_ID	RA	Dec	priority	z_{spec}	flag	Intra-shutter offset (")		Number of exposures		pre-JWST priority	references
							x-offset	y-offset	R100	Gratings		
2773	96216	53.16634	-27.82156	1	12.63	C	0.015	0.173	48	12	–	N
8013	110748	53.16446	-27.80218	1	8.473	A	-0.061	0.171	72	18	1	2,10,12,14,15,18,20
10014170	129399	53.16339	-27.77567	1	–	–	0.059	-0.162	72	18	1	1,12,14,15,16,18*
10014220	130158	53.16477	-27.77463	1	11.58	C	-0.062	-0.097	72	18	1	12,14*
10058975	-1	53.11243	-27.77461	1	9.433	A	-0.012	0.143	72	18	1	1,17,18*
17400	128771	53.14988	-27.7765	1	13.20	C	-0.001	0.185	24	6	–	N
6438	107324	53.16735	-27.8075	2	9.689	B	0.053	-0.175	72	18	–	N
7300	201084	53.12365	-27.80454	2	–	–	-0.020	-0.217	48	12	–	N
6621	-1	53.11415	-27.80694	3	–	–	0.043	-0.080	24	6	–	N
10014177	131067	53.15884	-27.77349	3	10.38	C	0.011	-0.022	48	12	3	1,12,15,17,18*
9992	114654	53.11392	-27.79584	3	1.962	C	-0.064	-0.090	24	6	–	N
4404	101990	53.11537	-27.81477	4	5.763	A	-0.088	-0.161	72	18	7.5	1,2,3,18
6002	106292	53.11041	-27.80892	4	5.937	A	0.026	0.036	72	18	4	1,3,18
9422	113585	53.12175	-27.79763	4	5.936	A	-0.032	-0.139	72	18	4	1,2,6,18
16625	127219	53.16904	-27.77884	4	6.631	A	0.059	-0.026	72	18	4	1,2,3,7,8,9,10,11,14,16,18,20
16745	208642	53.13002	-27.77839	4	5.567	A	-0.020	0.163	72	18	4	1,3,18
18846	131688	53.13492	-27.77271	4	6.335	A	-0.044	-0.168	72	18	8.2	1,2,6,18
18976	131971	53.16666	-27.7724	4	6.327	A	-0.015	-0.202	72	18	4	–
22251	138571	53.15407	-27.76607	4	5.798	A	-0.009	-0.173	48	12	4	1,2,3,4,5,6,18

Notes. The columns list the NIRSpec ID; the ID of the closest match within 0".2 in the NIRCam data release catalogue (Rieke et al. 2023); RA and Dec supplied to the eMPT for target allocation, and for path loss determination; the priority class (see Table 1); the spectroscopic redshift, z_{spec} , and associated flag, as described here 'A' - derived from S/N > 5 emission lines detected in the R1000 grating, 'B' - derived from S/N > 5 emission lines detected in the prism observations, 'C' - derived from spectral break and/or lower significance emission lines; the average intra-shutter offset of the source in arcseconds over the multiple pointings; the number of exposures (nods and dithers) for the prism and for each of the gratings (G140M, G235M, G395M, G395H), where a single exposure has duration 1400.5s; the priority from HST data only; and citations detailing where the source has been found before. The citation key is as follows: Targets marked with a 'N' were NIRCam-based, and do not have a counterpart in our HST-based catalogue. The majority of the remaining targets have counterparts in our HST-based catalogue drawn from one of Skelton et al. (2014), Guo et al. (2013), Rafelski et al. (2015), and/or Whitaker et al. (2019). Targets which do not have a counterpart in any of these catalogues are marked with an asterisk, representing only a small number of targets. Numbers indicate additional reference catalogues which were used for identifying and prioritising potential targets. Targets which are not NIRCam-based (not an 'N'), flagged with an asterisk (i.e. not from one of the four large catalogues listed prior), and do not have a numerical reference listed were drawn from Coe et al. (2006); this represents only six targets in Priority Class 9.

References. [1] Bouwens et al. (2015), [2] Finkelstein et al. (2015), [3] Harikane et al. (2016), [4] Bunker et al. (2016), [5] Yan & Windhorst (2004), [6] Bouwens et al. (2006), [7] Bunker et al. (2010), [8] Oesch et al. (2010), [9] Yan et al. (2010), [10] Bouwens et al. (2011b), [11] Wilkins et al. (2011), [12] Ellis et al. (2013), [13] Lorenzoni et al. (2013), [14] McLure et al. (2013), [15] Oesch et al. (2013), [16] Schenker et al. (2013), [17] Bouwens et al. (2016), [18] Bouwens et al. (2016), [19] Decarli et al. (2016), [20] Inami et al. (2017), [21] Popesso et al. (2009).

Table F.2: List of targets with one or more emission lines detected with $S/N > 5$ in the $R \approx 1000$ grating data, and derived redshifts – truncated table, full version on <https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.02467> and at the CDS.

ID	$z_{R \approx 1000}$	List of detected emission lines and flux in units of $10^{-19} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
10058975	9.433	[NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (3.1 ± 0.6); H γ (3.0 ± 0.6); H β (8.0 ± 0.9); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (11.5 ± 0.9); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (35.8 ± 0.8)
8013	8.473	[OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (12.9 ± 1.6)
21842	7.980	H β (3.1 ± 0.5); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (8.7 ± 0.5); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (17.9 ± 0.7)
10013682	7.275	Ly- α (23.8 ± 3.3); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (7.2 ± 0.6)
10013905	7.197	H β (7.4 ± 0.9); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (5.8 ± 0.9); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (20.6 ± 0.8)
20961	7.044	H β (4.0 ± 0.8); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (10.7 ± 0.8)
10013609	6.929	H β (6.7 ± 1.0); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (11.8 ± 1.1); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (35.4 ± 1.3); H α (21.9 ± 1.5)
4297	6.713	Ly- α (30.9 ± 5.2); H β (5.2 ± 0.6); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (9.4 ± 0.7); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (29.0 ± 1.2); H α (15.2 ± 1.3)
3334	6.706	[OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (3.8 ± 0.5); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (13.0 ± 0.6)
16625	6.631	Ly- α (21.1 ± 3.8); H β (7.1 ± 0.7); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (6.1 ± 0.6); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (20.9 ± 0.7); H α (18.6 ± 1.0)
10005447	6.623	[OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (5.4 ± 0.9)
18846	6.335	Ly- α (82.4 ± 4.6); H γ (3.9 ± 0.8); H β (10.3 ± 0.6); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (19.8 ± 0.7); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (58.4 ± 1.1); H α (36.0 ± 1.2)
18976	6.327	H β (4.0 ± 0.5); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (5.4 ± 0.6); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (14.3 ± 1.0); H α (10.4 ± 1.1)
10009693	6.286	[OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (5.9 ± 0.8)
17566	6.102	[OII] $\lambda \lambda 3727$ (10.0 ± 1.5); H β (5.7 ± 0.9); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (9.9 ± 1.0); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (32.2 ± 1.0); H α (15.6 ± 1.3)
19342	5.974	H β (5.0 ± 0.7); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (5.7 ± 0.6); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (19.5 ± 0.8); H α (13.8 ± 0.9)
10013618	5.944	[OII] $\lambda \lambda 3727$ (8.0 ± 0.9); H β (1.9 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (5.1 ± 0.6); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (13.1 ± 0.5); H α (7.5 ± 0.7)
6002	5.937	Ly- α (30.1 ± 4.2); H β (2.6 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (6.1 ± 0.6); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (16.3 ± 0.5); H α (10.2 ± 0.5)
9422	5.936	Ly- α (103.6 ± 6.0); CIV $\lambda 1549$ (34.0 ± 2.4); CIII] $\lambda \lambda 1909$ (7.4 ± 0.9); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (6.5 ± 0.3); H γ (8.1 ± 0.7); H β (19.7 ± 0.5); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (38.6 ± 0.9); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (110.8 ± 1.2)
10013704 ^(a)	5.920	[NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (4.8 ± 0.7); H γ (4.1 ± 0.6); H β (9.0 ± 0.7); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (17.5 ± 0.6); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (48.3 ± 0.9); H α (63.5 ± 2.0)
10013620	5.918	H β (4.7 ± 0.8); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (8.6 ± 0.8); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (23.1 ± 0.9); H α (13.8 ± 1.3)
19606	5.889	H β (6.1 ± 1.1); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (8.9 ± 1.3); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (28.0 ± 1.0); H α (19.0 ± 1.6)
10005113	5.821	H β (2.1 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (4.4 ± 0.6); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (14.2 ± 0.7)
10056849	5.814	H β (4.9 ± 0.9); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (4.5 ± 0.9); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (17.0 ± 1.0); H α (14.1 ± 0.8)
22251	5.798	[OII] $\lambda \lambda 3727$ (9.0 ± 1.2); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (5.9 ± 1.0); H β (10.9 ± 0.8); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (23.4 ± 0.7); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (67.1 ± 1.2); H α (33.8 ± 0.9)
3968	5.768	[OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (7.9 ± 0.8)
4404	5.764	[OII] $\lambda \lambda 3727$ (5.5 ± 1.0); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (6.0 ± 1.0); H β (8.6 ± 1.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (18.2 ± 1.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (52.9 ± 1.3); H α (30.1 ± 1.0)
6384	5.615	[OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (7.8 ± 1.1)
16745	5.567	[OII] $\lambda \lambda 3727$ (14.3 ± 1.3); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (4.1 ± 0.8); H β (4.1 ± 0.6); H α (20.8 ± 0.7)
6246	5.562	H β (3.4 ± 0.5); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (3.5 ± 0.5); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (11.6 ± 0.5); H α (7.6 ± 0.5)
10016374	5.504	[OII] $\lambda \lambda 3727$ (5.4 ± 1.0); H β (7.2 ± 1.0); H α (17.9 ± 0.8)
9343	5.443	H β (4.4 ± 0.7); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (7.7 ± 1.0); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (20.1 ± 1.2); H α (10.6 ± 0.8)
9743	5.440	[OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (11.3 ± 1.8); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (24.6 ± 2.7); H α (26.9 ± 2.0)
9452	5.122	[OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (47.7 ± 3.8); H α (18.8 ± 2.1)
10015338	5.077	H γ (16.9 ± 3.1); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (25.5 ± 2.7); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (57.5 ± 2.6); H α (31.7 ± 1.9)
5759	5.052	[OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (9.9 ± 1.4); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (19.9 ± 1.5); H α (13.7 ± 1.2)

Notes. Details of the emission line fitting can be found in Section 5.1. The last column gives a list of emission lines detected with $S/N > 5$, and the flux measured for that line. Targets marked ^(*) were identified as likely having multiple objects in the shutter (see Section 5.3). Targets marked ^(a) showed a broad component under H α and reported flux was obtained from direct integration rather than a single component fit (Section 5.1). These measurements are also available in a machine-readable format on The Mikulski Archive for Space Telescopes: <https://archive.stsci.edu/hlsp/jades> as GOODS-S-DeepHST v1.0.

Table F.3: List of targets with one or more emission lines detected at $S/N > 5$ in the Prism/Clear data – truncated table, full version on <https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.02467> and at the CDS.

ID	z_{PRISM}	List of detected emission lines and flux in units of 10^{-19} erg s $^{-1}$ cm $^{-2}$
6438	9.689	H γ (1.5 ± 0.2); H β (2.0 ± 0.2)
10058975	9.438	CIV $\lambda\lambda 1549$ (4.6 ± 0.8); HeII + OIII (7.3 ± 1.0); CIII $\lambda\lambda 1909$ (4.6 ± 0.3); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (2.6 ± 0.3); H δ (2.1 ± 0.0); H γ (3.7 ± 0.1); [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (1.5 ± 0.1); H β (6.7 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (10.7 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (29.4 ± 0.3)
8013	8.479	H β (1.8 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (3.2 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (9.1 ± 0.3)
21842	7.981	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (1.9 ± 0.2); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (2.0 ± 0.2); H δ (1.5 ± 0.2); H γ (1.9 ± 0.1); [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (0.6 ± 0.1); H β (2.8 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (5.9 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (17.7 ± 0.2)
10013682	7.277	H β (1.0 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (2.4 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (6.0 ± 0.2)
8079	7.260	[OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (1.7 ± 0.2)
10013905	7.206	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (1.3 ± 0.2); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (2.7 ± 0.4); H β (4.0 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (6.6 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (19.5 ± 0.3)
20961	7.051	H β (2.5 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (3.1 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (9.6 ± 0.3)
10013609	6.931	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (3.3 ± 0.4); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (4.4 ± 0.7); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (3.8 ± 0.4); H β (5.2 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (11.1 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (32.7 ± 0.5); H α (16.7 ± 0.5)
4297	6.718	H β (3.9 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (8.7 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (24.0 ± 0.4); H α (10.8 ± 0.4)
3334	6.709	H β (1.2 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (4.0 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (11.5 ± 0.2); H α (5.0 ± 0.2)
16625	6.631	[NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (2.3 ± 0.3); H δ (1.7 ± 0.2); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (3.4 ± 0.3); H β (5.1 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (6.5 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (19.1 ± 0.3); H α (16.5 ± 0.2)
10005447	6.627	[OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (2.0 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (4.4 ± 0.4); H α (3.5 ± 0.3)
18846	6.342	CIV $\lambda\lambda 1549$ (8.8 ± 1.3); HeII + OIII (10.3 ± 1.7); CIII $\lambda\lambda 1909$ (7.1 ± 1.3); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (3.9 ± 0.3); H δ (4.8 ± 0.5); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (5.4 ± 0.7); H β (11.0 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (16.5 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (51.6 ± 0.4); HeI $\lambda 5875$ (1.3 ± 0.2); H α (29.8 ± 0.4)
18179	6.335	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (4.7 ± 0.6); H β (3.0 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (7.3 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (21.7 ± 0.5); H α (11.8 ± 0.5)
18976	6.329	H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (2.4 ± 0.7); H β (3.2 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (4.7 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (13.8 ± 0.3); H α (9.3 ± 0.3)
10009693	6.296	[OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (5.3 ± 0.3); H α (3.0 ± 0.4)
17566	6.105	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (9.5 ± 0.6); H β (3.7 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (7.7 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (25.0 ± 0.4); H α (16.8 ± 0.3)
19342	5.981	H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (2.0 ± 0.8); H β (4.4 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (6.9 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (18.9 ± 0.3); H α (10.9 ± 0.3)
10013618	5.948	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (4.6 ± 0.5); H β (1.7 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (4.0 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (11.5 ± 0.3); HeI $\lambda 5875$ (0.5 ± 0.1); H α (6.9 ± 0.2)
9422	5.943	CIV $\lambda\lambda 1549$ (38.7 ± 3.0); HeII + OIII (11.6 ± 0.8); [OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (3.6 ± 0.4); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (8.2 ± 1.0); [NeIII] $\lambda 3967$ (3.4 ± 0.5); H δ (3.3 ± 0.5); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (11.7 ± 0.5); H β (18.5 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (35.2 ± 0.5); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (104.4 ± 0.8); HeI $\lambda 5875$ (2.6 ± 0.1); H α (50.8 ± 0.6); HeI $\lambda 7065$ (2.0 ± 0.2)
6002	5.941	[NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (2.8 ± 0.4); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (1.8 ± 0.6); H β (2.6 ± 0.1); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (5.2 ± 0.1); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (15.4 ± 0.2); H α (8.2 ± 0.2)
10013704	5.931	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (1.7 ± 0.3); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (3.6 ± 0.4); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (5.8 ± 0.4); H β (8.3 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (15.3 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (45.0 ± 0.5); HeI $\lambda 5875$ (1.3 ± 0.1); H α (49.2 ± 0.6)
10013620	5.920	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (6.4 ± 0.6); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (2.4 ± 0.4); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (2.6 ± 0.3); H β (4.4 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (8.2 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (23.8 ± 0.4); H α (11.9 ± 0.3)
19606	5.891	[NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (2.7 ± 0.5); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (2.6 ± 0.4); H β (4.3 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (9.2 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (24.6 ± 0.5); H α (13.2 ± 0.4)
10056849	5.822	H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (1.9 ± 0.2); H β (4.7 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (5.0 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (14.5 ± 0.2); H α (10.8 ± 0.2)
10005113	5.820	H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (2.1 ± 0.3); H β (3.6 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (4.1 ± 0.2); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (12.2 ± 0.3); H α (9.1 ± 0.3)
22251	5.804	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (5.4 ± 0.3); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (5.8 ± 0.3); [NeIII] $\lambda 3967$ (3.0 ± 0.4); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (5.6 ± 0.4); H β (8.8 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (21.5 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (61.0 ± 0.5); HeI $\lambda 5875$ (1.3 ± 0.2); H α (30.3 ± 0.4)
4404	5.775	[OII] $\lambda\lambda 3727$ (4.9 ± 0.6); [NeIII] $\lambda 3869$ (3.9 ± 0.6); H γ + [OIII] $\lambda 4363$ (5.5 ± 0.3); H β (9.8 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (16.3 ± 0.4); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (43.4 ± 0.5); H α (23.7 ± 0.3)
3968	5.769	[OIII] $\lambda 4959$ (2.9 ± 0.3); [OIII] $\lambda 5007$ (6.6 ± 0.4); H α (3.3 ± 0.2)

Notes. Details of the emission line fitting can be found in Section 5.1. Note that some lines (notably, H β , [O III] $\lambda 4959$ and [O III] $\lambda 5007$) are reported independently at high-redshift, but are reported as blends at lower redshift due to the reduced spectral resolution of the prism at shorter wavelengths. We also caution that some fluxes reported here as being for individual lines may feature non-negligible contributions from fainter lines (e.g. H α from [N II] $\lambda 6583$, or [Ne III] $\lambda 3869$ from He I $\lambda 3889$). In these cases, the reported flux will represent the total flux of the observed emission feature. Targets marked ^(*) were identified as likely having multiple objects in the shutter (see Section 5.3). These measurements are available in a machine-readable format on The Mikulski Archive for Space Telescopes: <https://archive.stsci.edu/hlsp/jades> as GOODS-S-DeepHST v1.0.

Table F.4: Targets not meeting the $S/N > 5$ emission line threshold required to appear in Tables F.2 – F.3, but for which a secure redshift could be identified visually based on spectral breaks or low S/N emission features.

ID	z_{Visual}
17400	13.20
2773	12.63
10014220	11.58
10014177	10.38
8115	7.30
17251	5.043
6460	3.573
10036262	3.566
6855	2.868
17832	2.832
10006084	2.815
10000081	2.712
4668	2.649
10010639	2.621
19175	2.556
2528	2.345
5320	2.305
6710	2.249
10037047	2.058
10010691	1.968
9992	1.962
10008722	1.742
10040868	1.115