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# The mechanisms for quiescent galaxy formation at $z < 1$

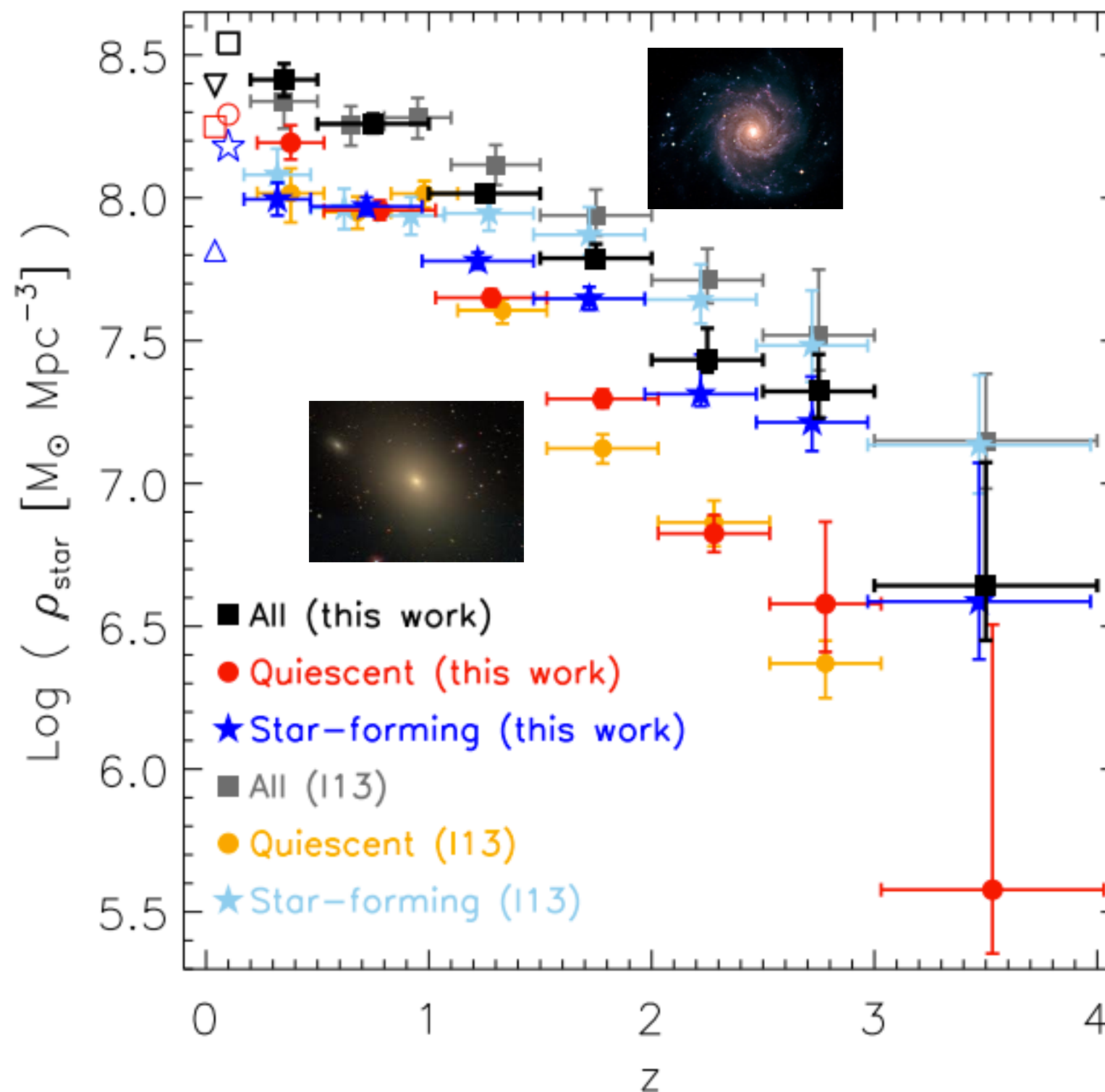
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# Building the quiescent galaxy population

Stellar mass  
density

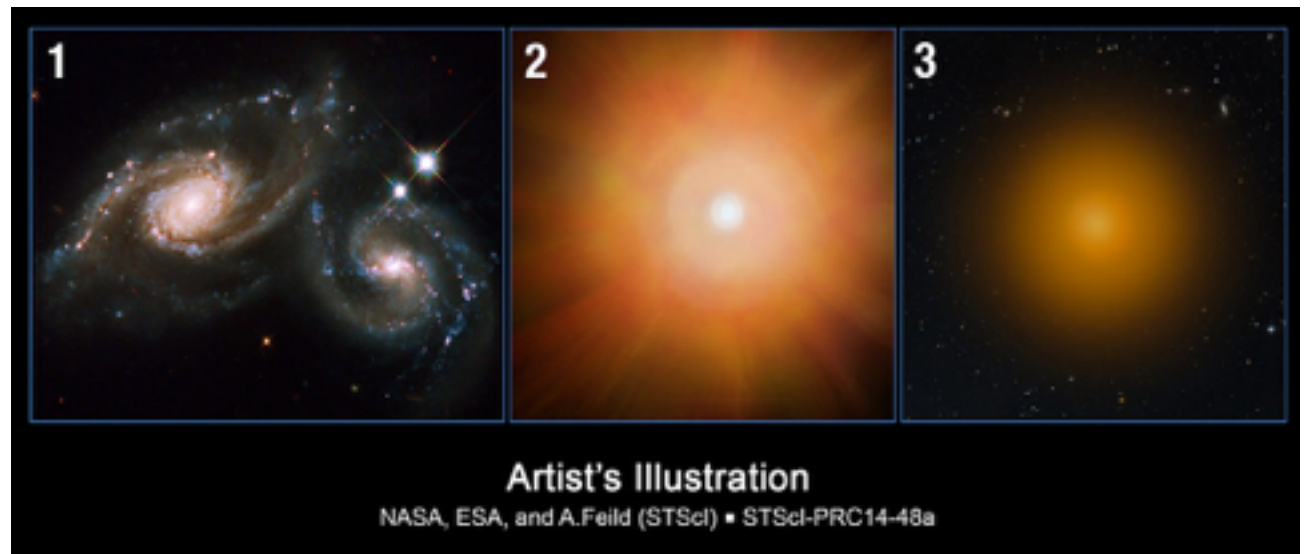
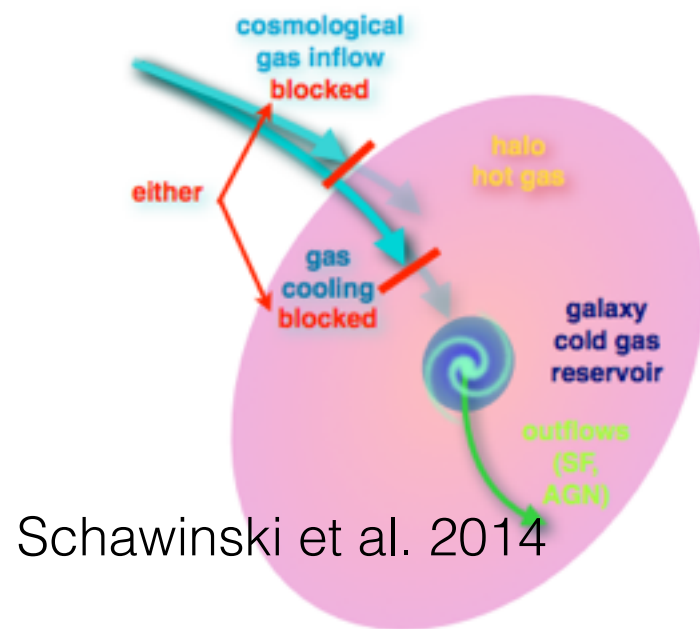


Muzzin et al.  
(2013), Ilbert  
et al. (2013)

# How to stop star formation?

## How fast?

- Stop gas getting to galaxy - halo/mass quenching
- Starvation, strangulation
- Exhaustion - secular evolution
- Expel/heat gas
  - Starburst-driven winds
  - Active galactic nuclei (AGN)
- Exhaust gas - starburst



Schawinski et al. 2007, Cortese & Hughes 2009; Salim et al. 2012; Fang et al. 2012, 2013; Yesuf et al. 2014, Schawinski et al. 2014, Smethurst et al. 2015, Peng, Maiolino & Cochrane 2015, Trayford et al. 2015

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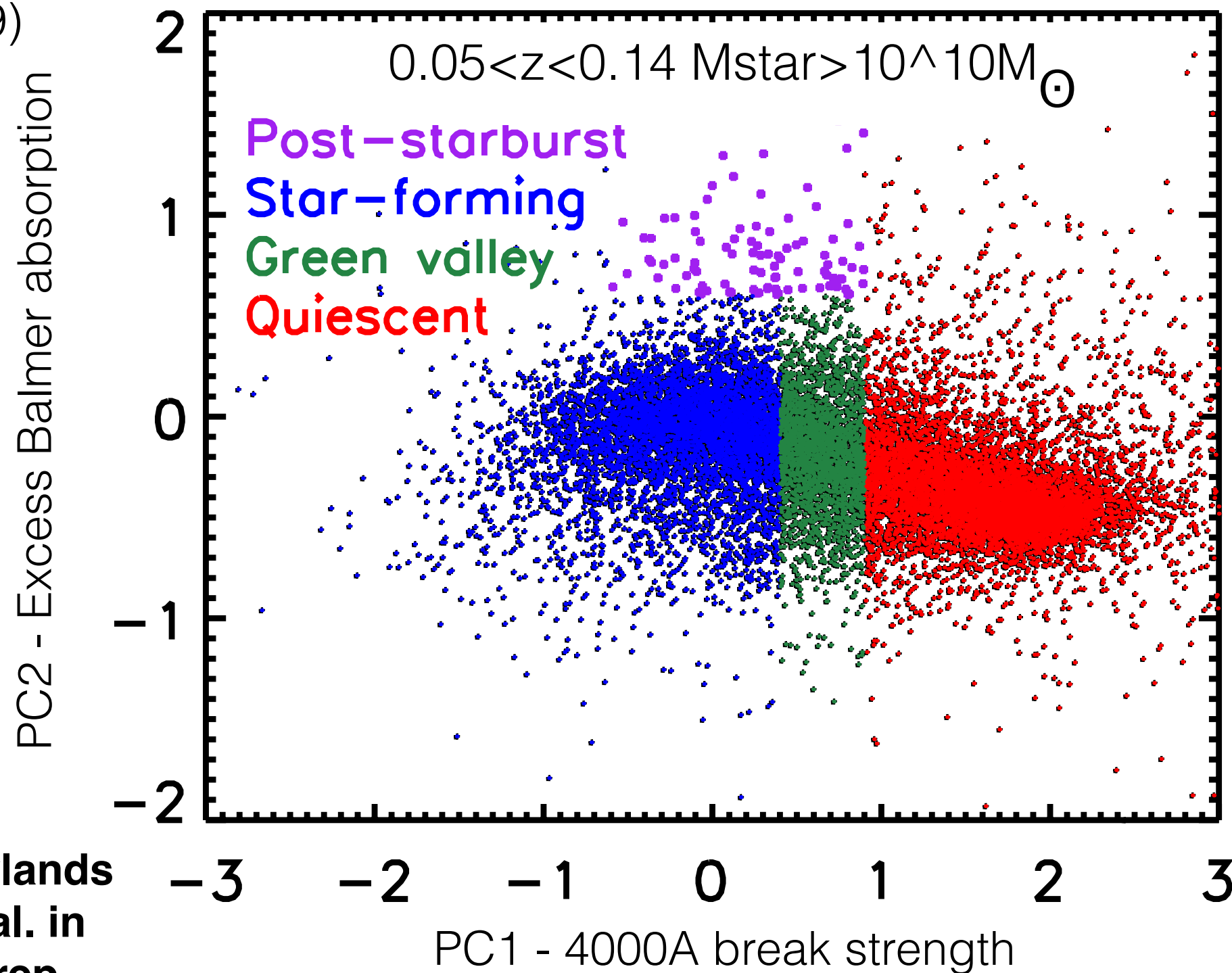


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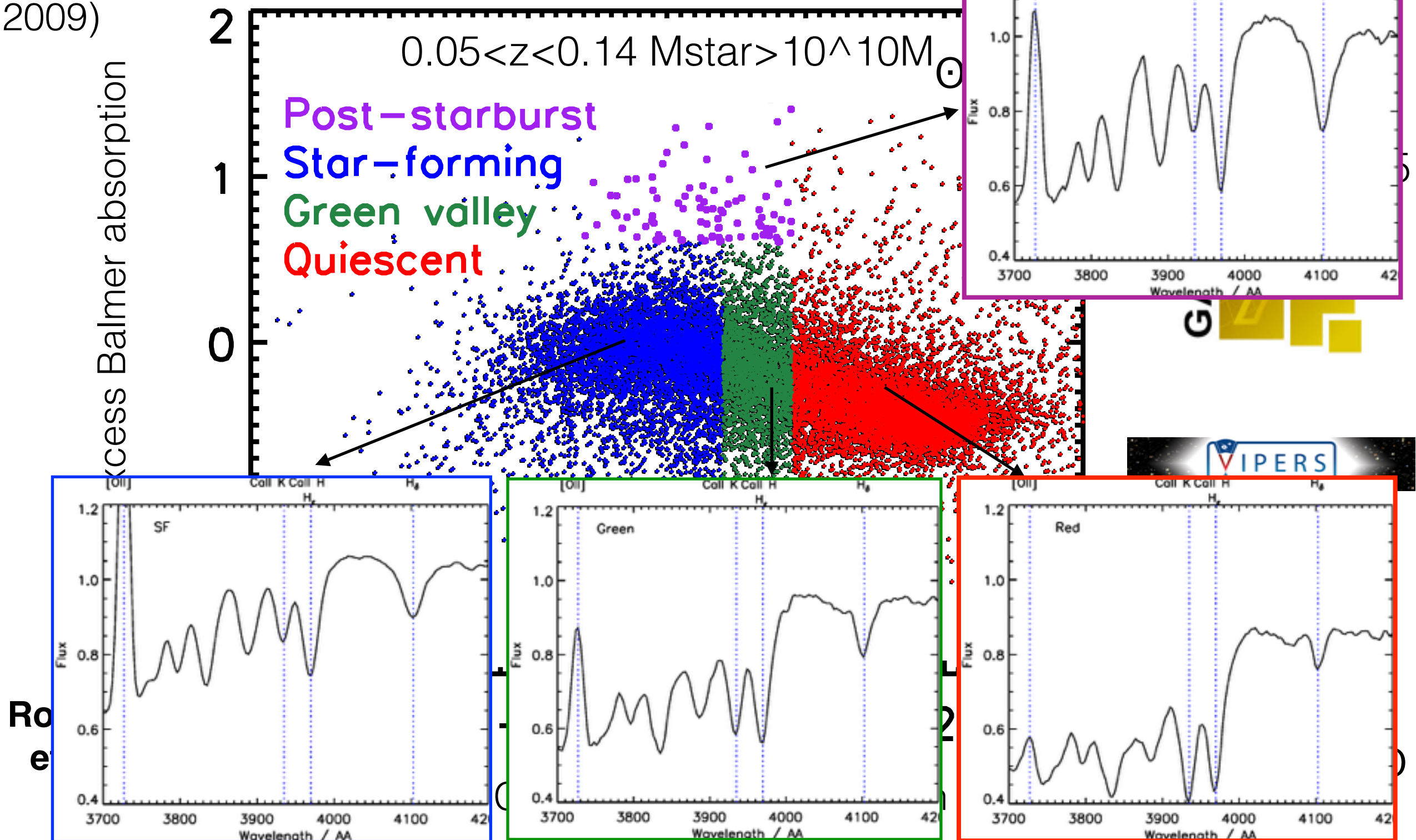
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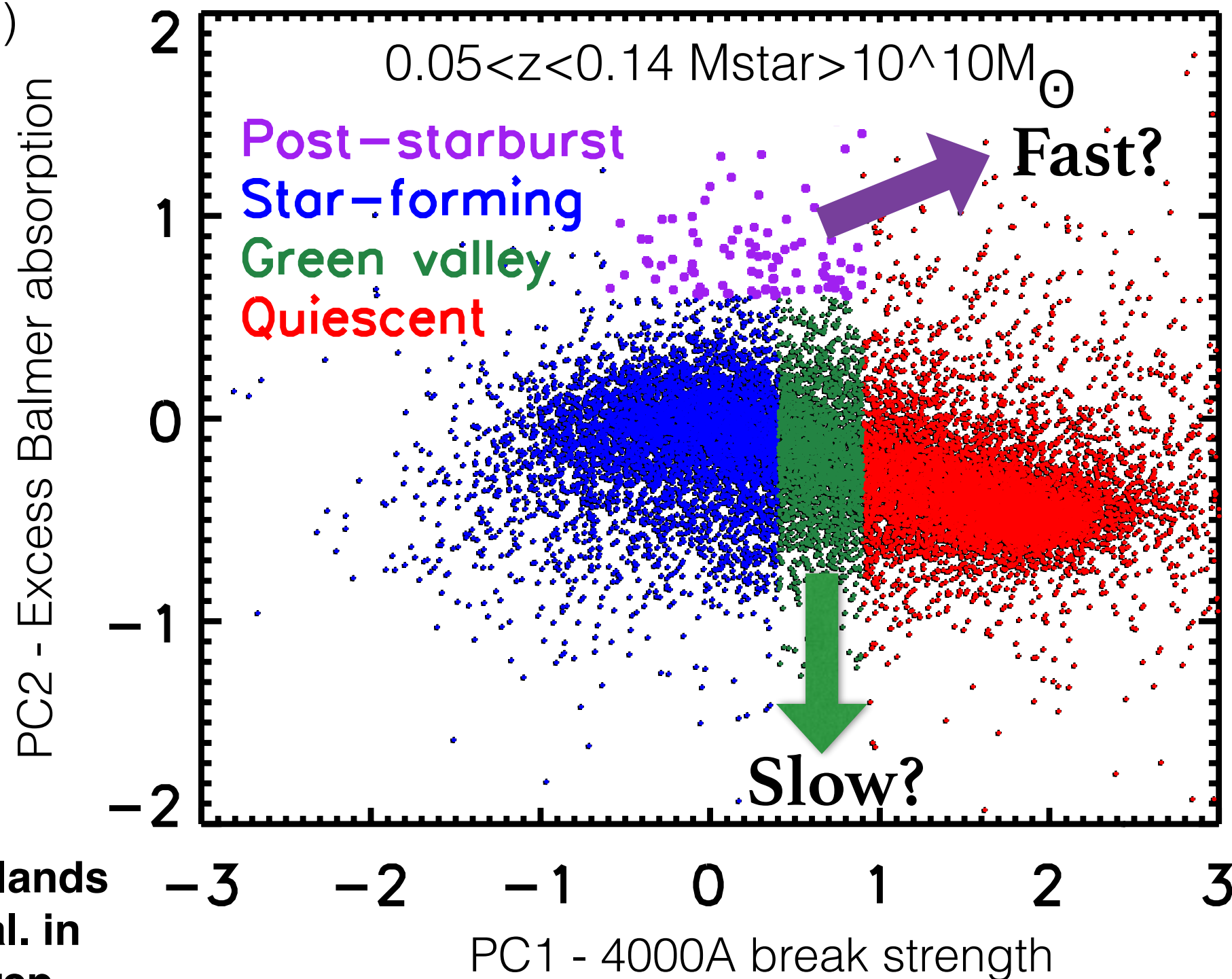
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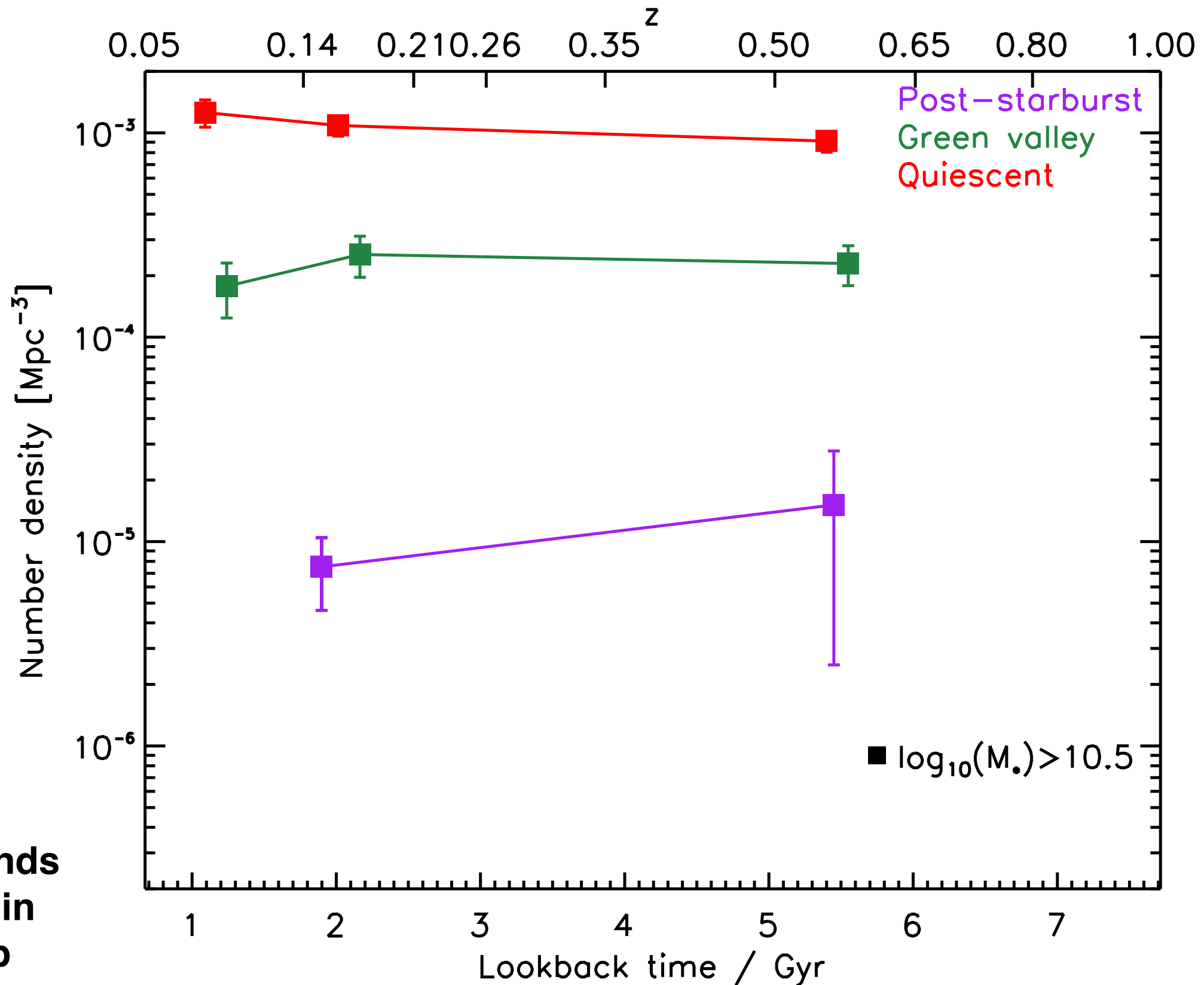


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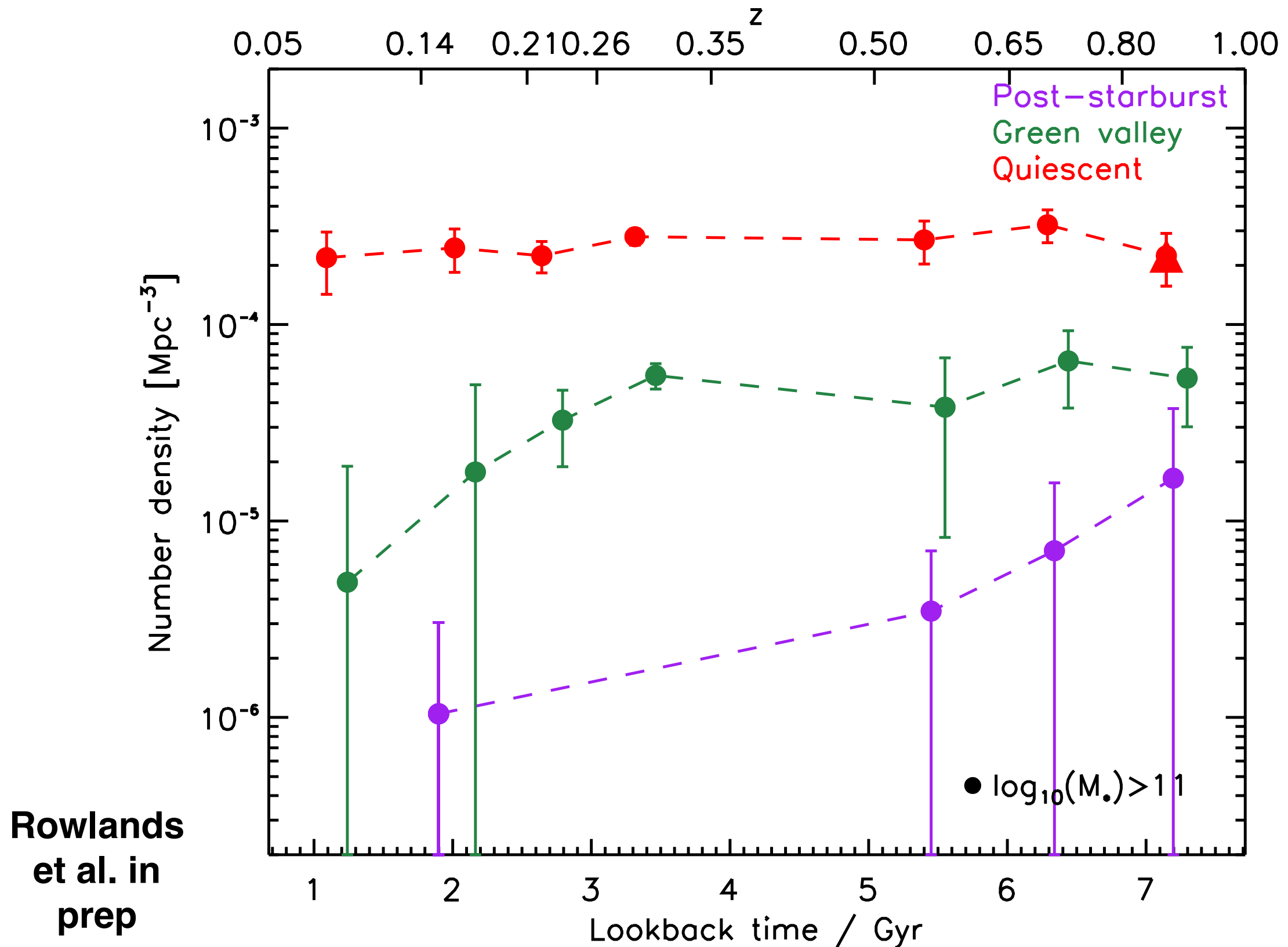
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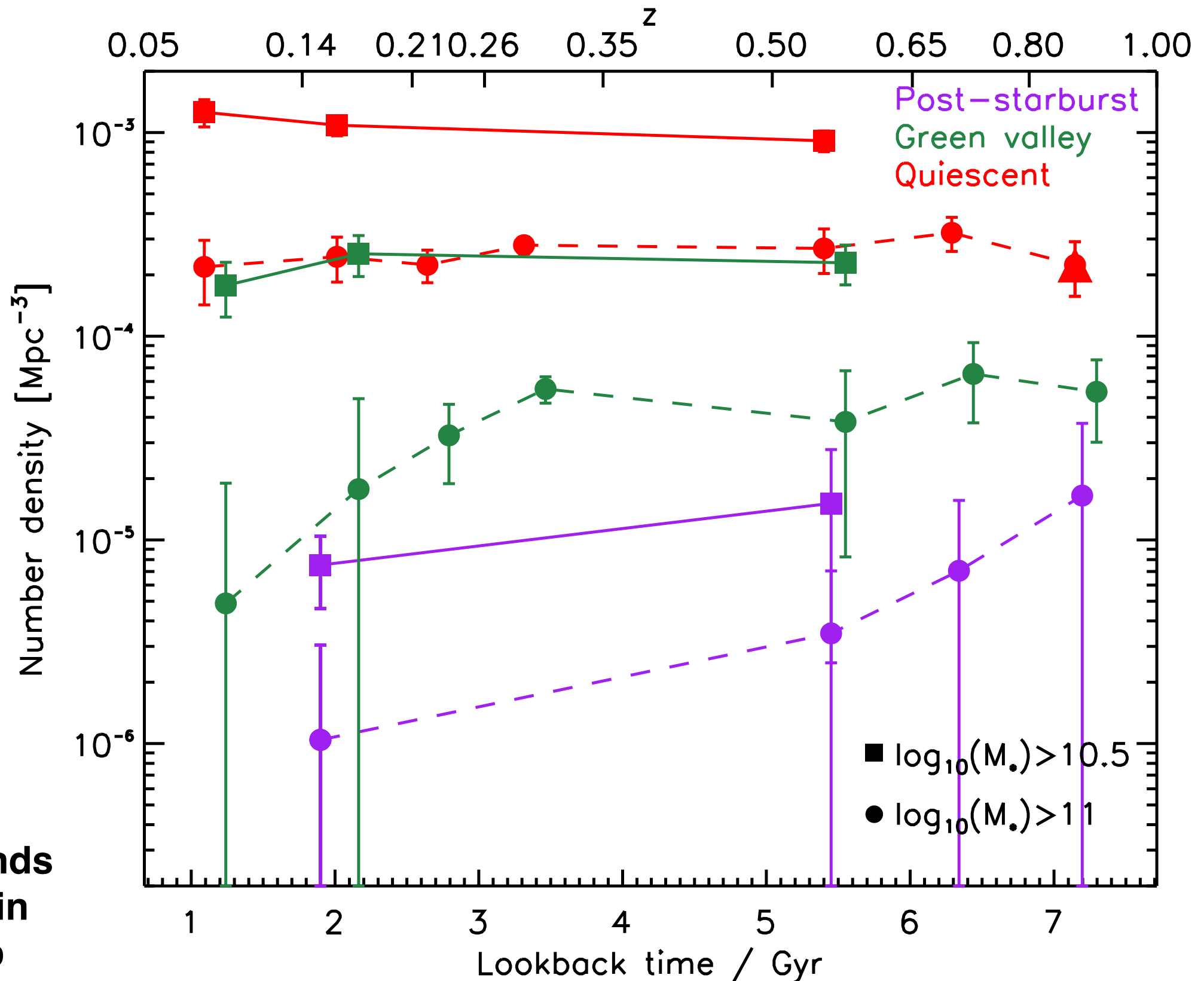


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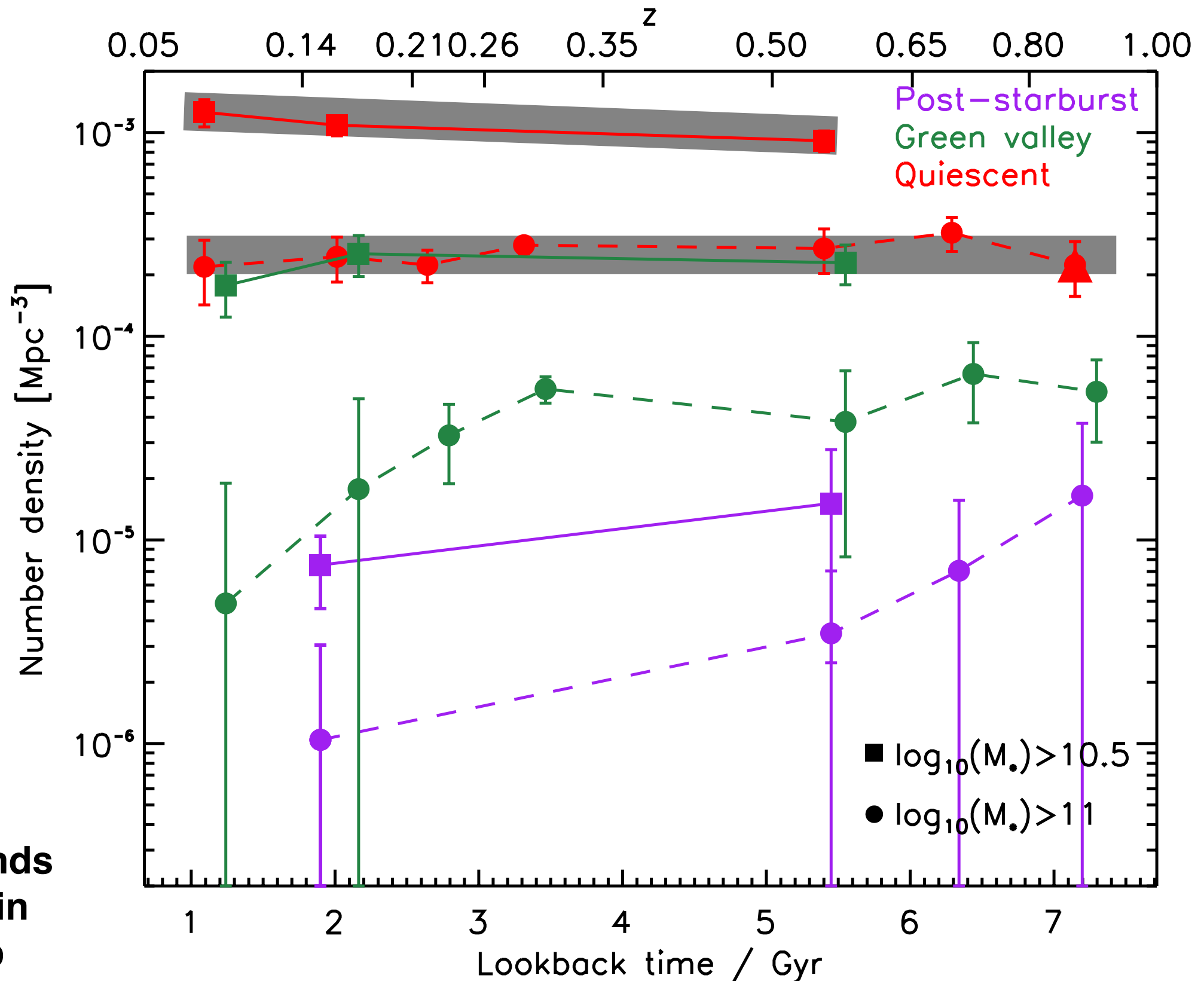
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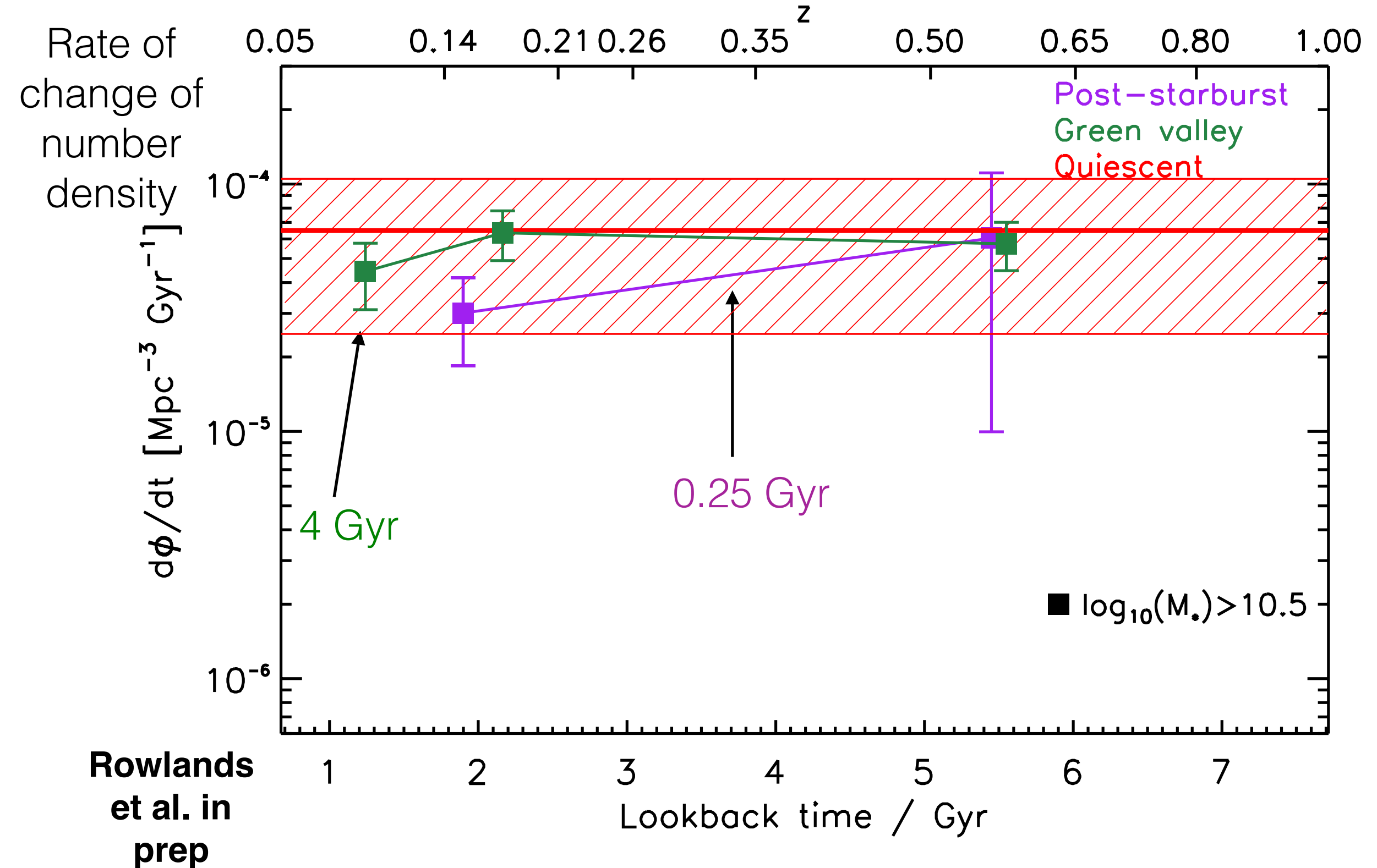


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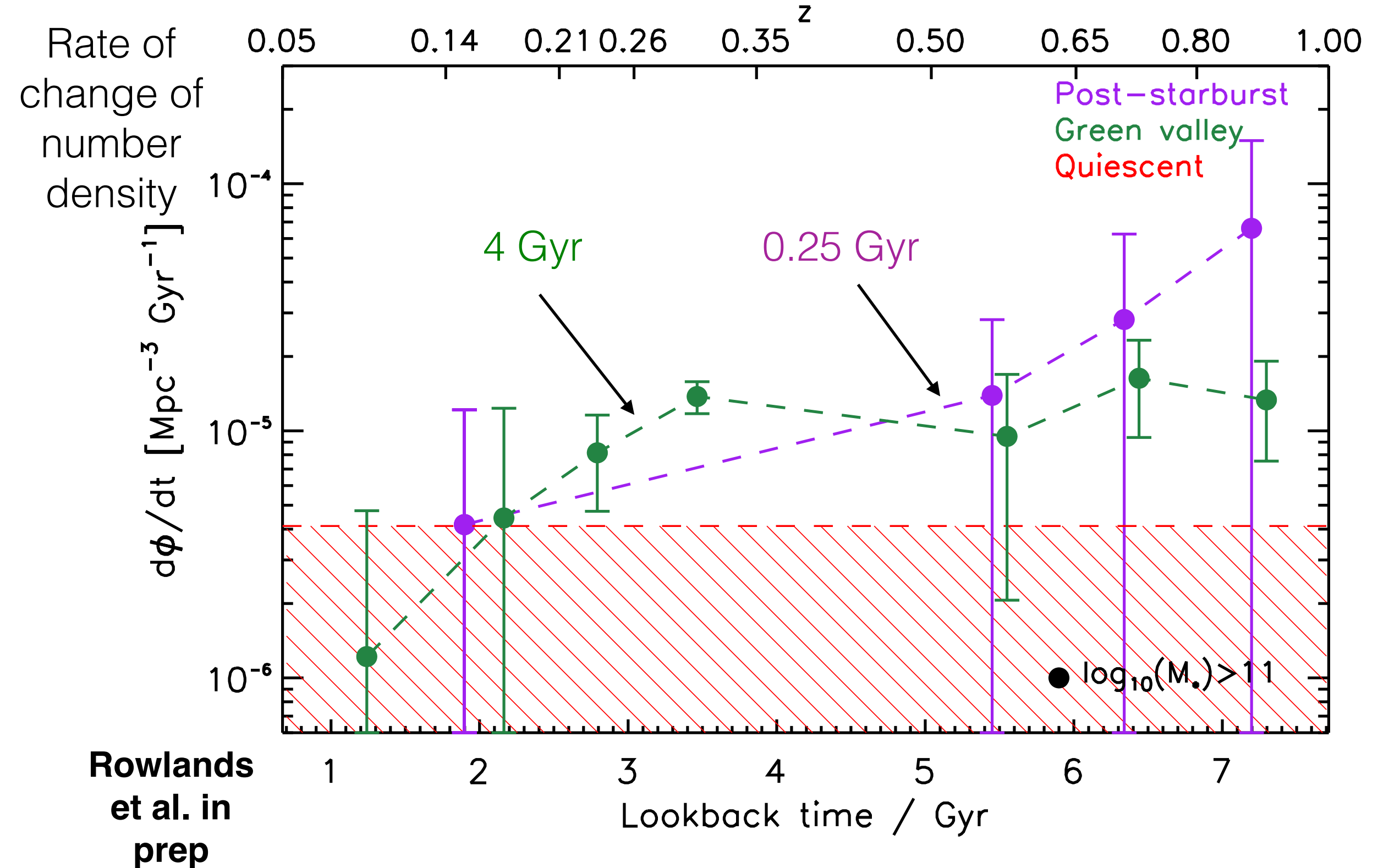


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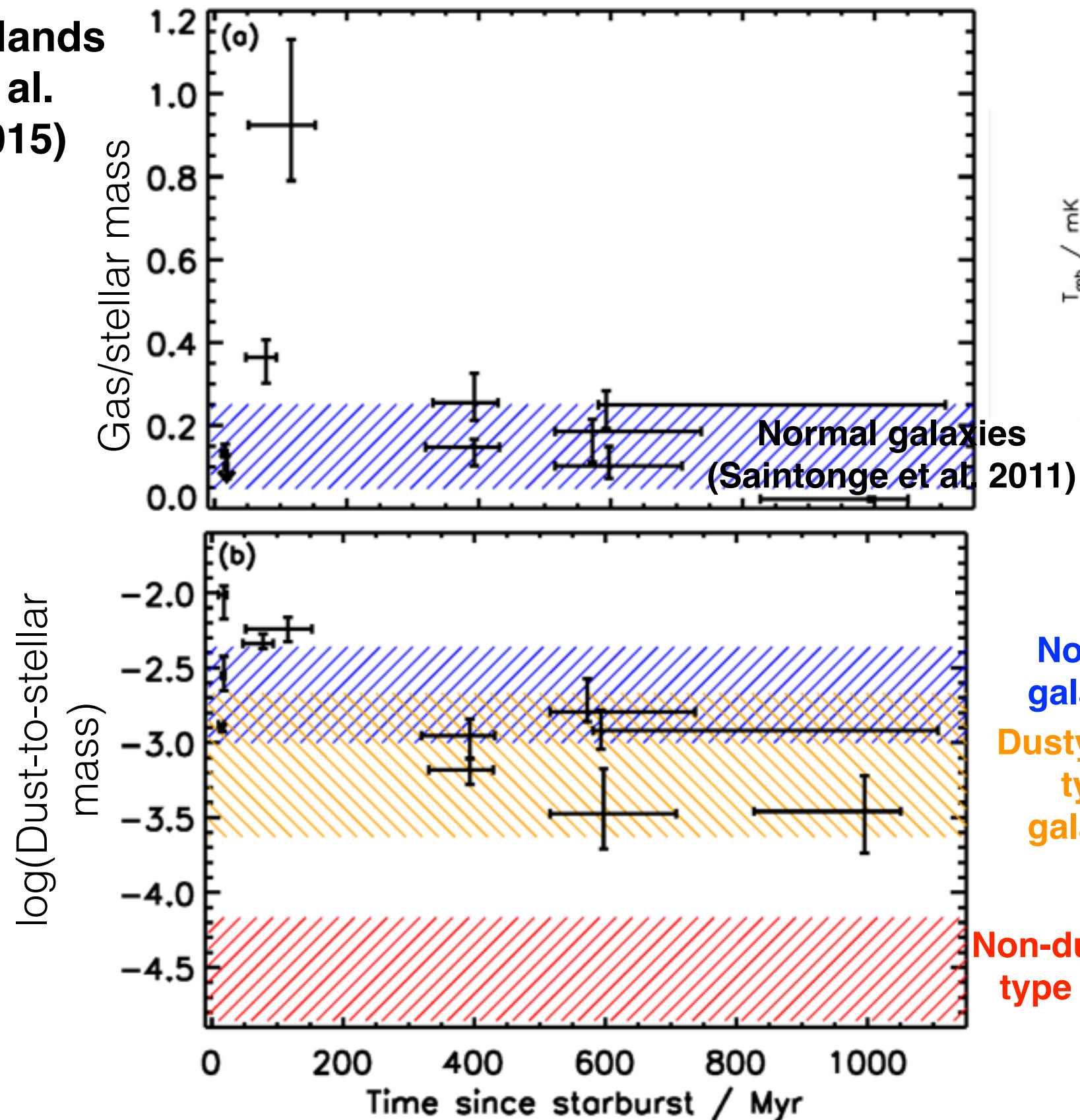


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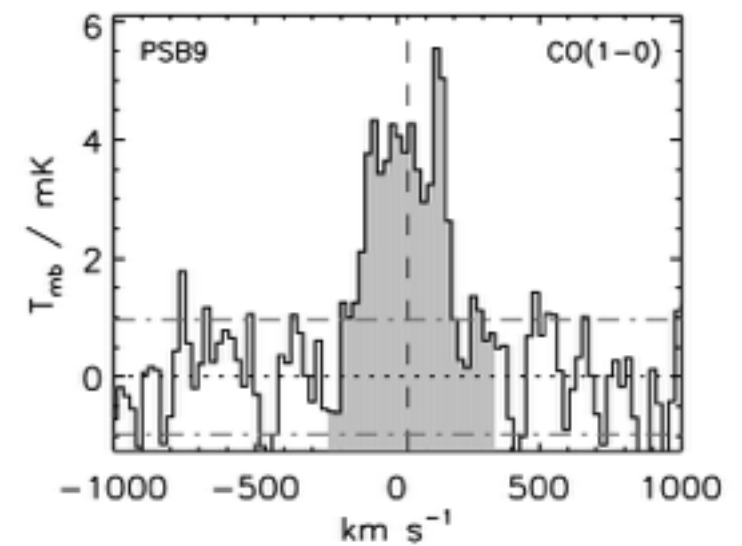


# Post-starbursts at low-z are not dead?

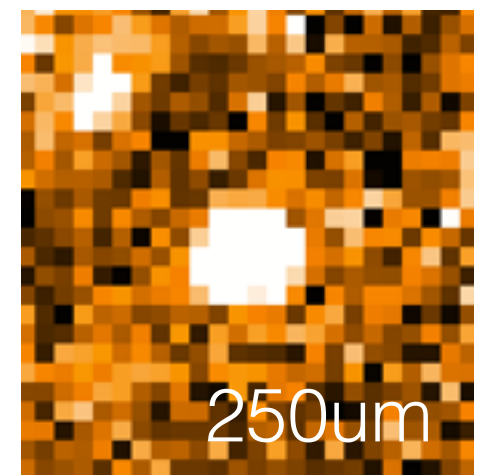
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(2015)



Molecular gas



Cold dust



See also Zwann  
+13, French+15,  
Alatalo+16

# Conclusions

- Quiescent population grows slowly from  $0 < z < 1$  for  $M_* > 10^{10.5} M_\odot$ .
- Consistent with green valley galaxies quenching over  $\sim 4$  Gyrs and post-starbursts aren't quenching.  
Or
- Low number density of post-starbursts consistent with slow growth in quiescent population if green valley galaxies aren't quenching.
- Presence of quenching galaxies inconsistent with flat red sequence at  $M_* > 10^{11} M_\odot$ . Rejuvenation?
- Post-starbursts are rare at  $z < 1$  — fast quenching route much less common at  $z \sim 0$  than at high redshift.