

# The Effect of Environmental Quenching on Galaxy Evolution to $z < 2$ , measured by ZFOURGE and CANDELS

## Part 1

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# star-formation — density relation out to $z \sim 1.8$

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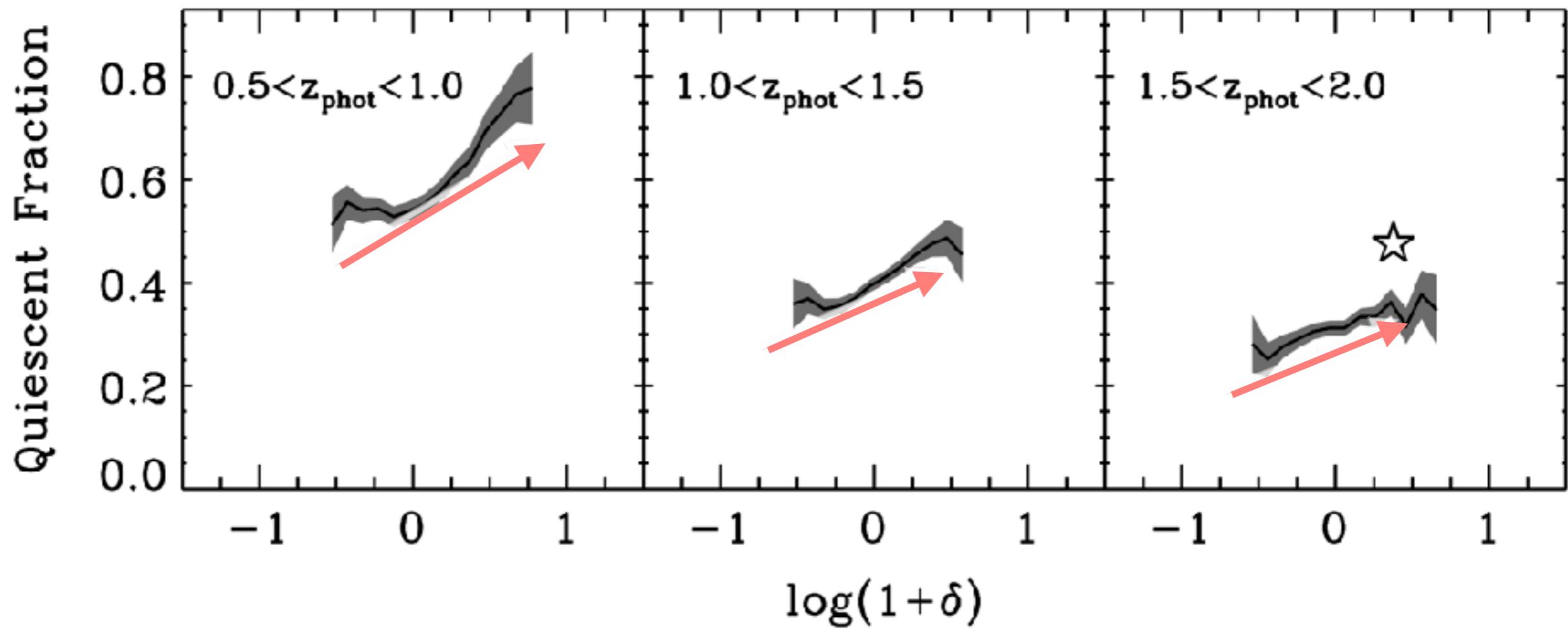
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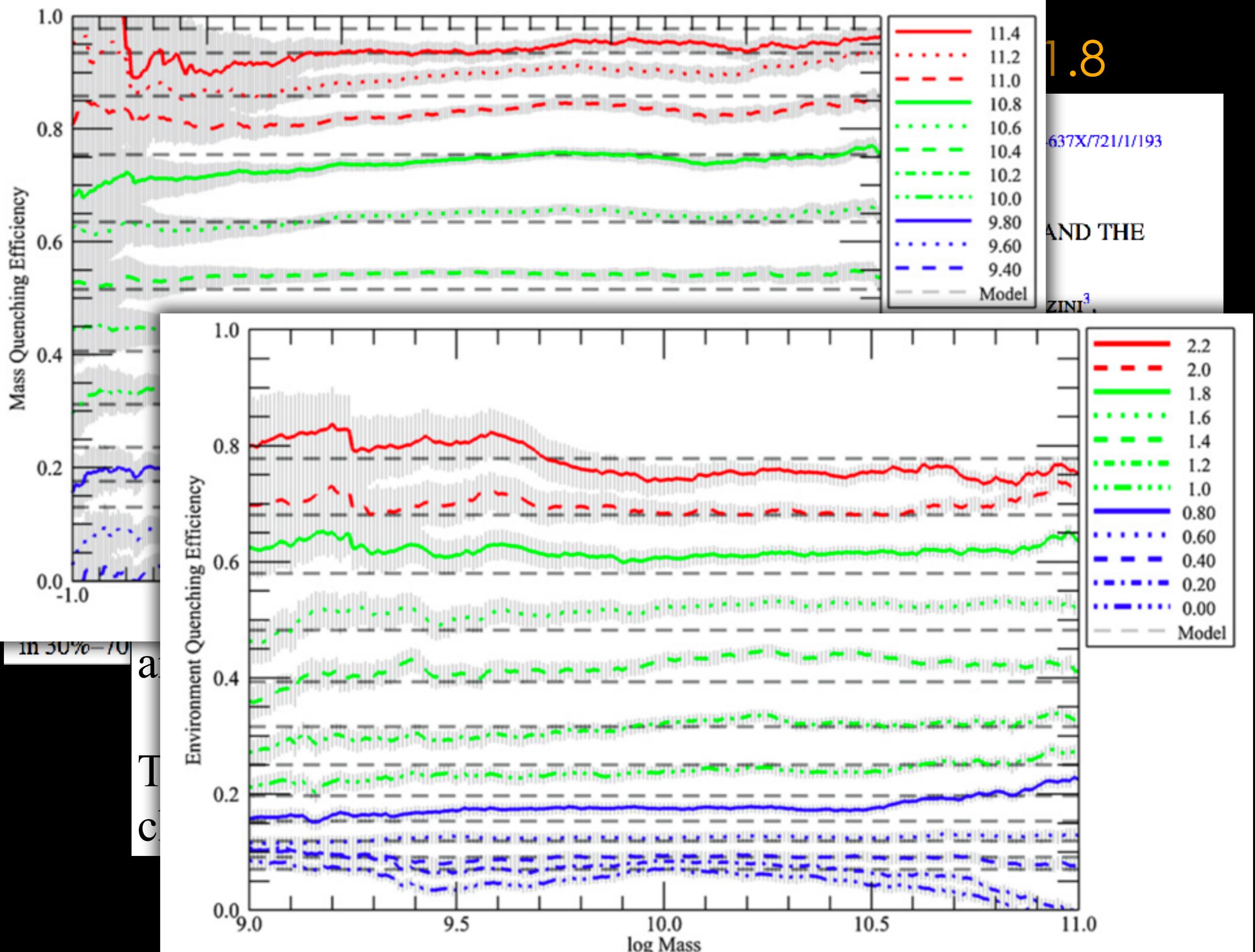
## TRACING THE STAR-FORMATION–DENSITY RELATION TO $z \sim 2$

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galaxy overdensity →



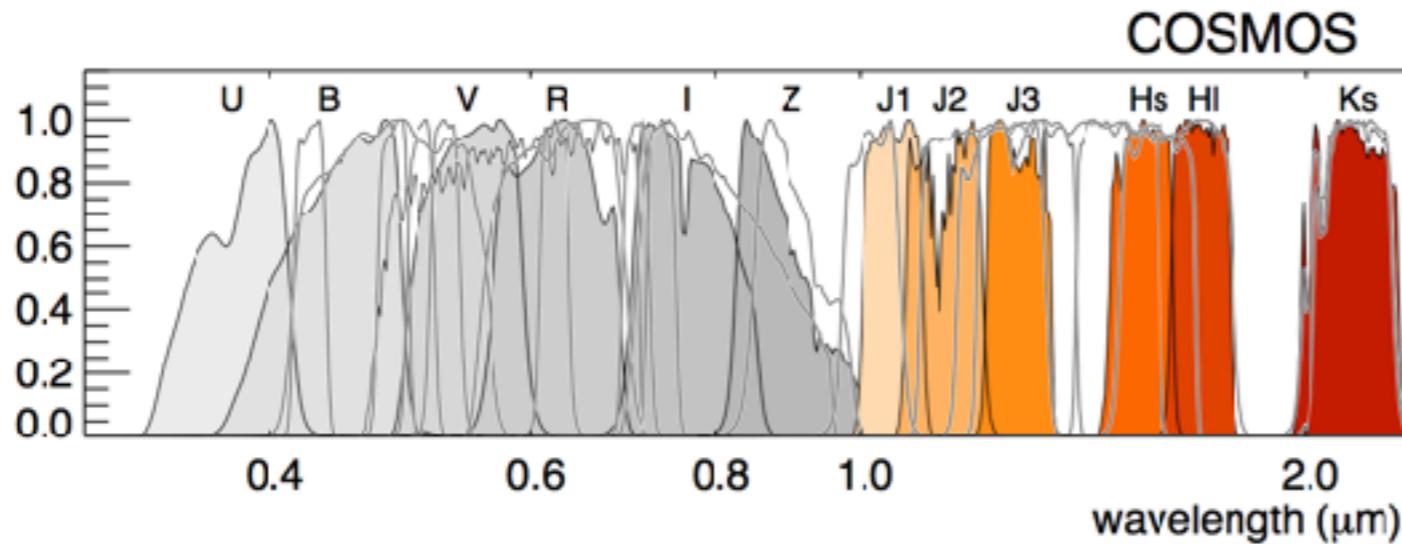
## Nomenclature:

- We are measuring the effects of quenching as a function of:
  1. Stellar Mass: luminosity  $\times M/L(\text{SED})$
  2. Local Overdensity (“environment”): local density of galaxies
- “Mass Quenching”: quenching processes internal to the galaxy (scales with stellar mass?)
- “Environmental Quenching”: externally driven quenching processes (scales with over density? Halo mass of central?)



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Normalized transmission



COSMOS

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- Deep ( $K > 25$  AB mag) imaging in three fields (COSMOS, CDFS, UDS) w/ Medium-band filters provide  $R \sim 10$  “spectroscopy”.
- Stellar mass limit,  $\log M/M_\odot = 9$  (9.5) down to  $M \sim 10^8 M_\odot$ .
- Measure precise redshifts ( $\Delta z/(1+z) = 1\%$ )  
\*\*\*  **$dv < 3000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$**
- Combine with CANDELS HST imaging to study environmental effects on galaxy morphology

FourStar/K<sub>s</sub>

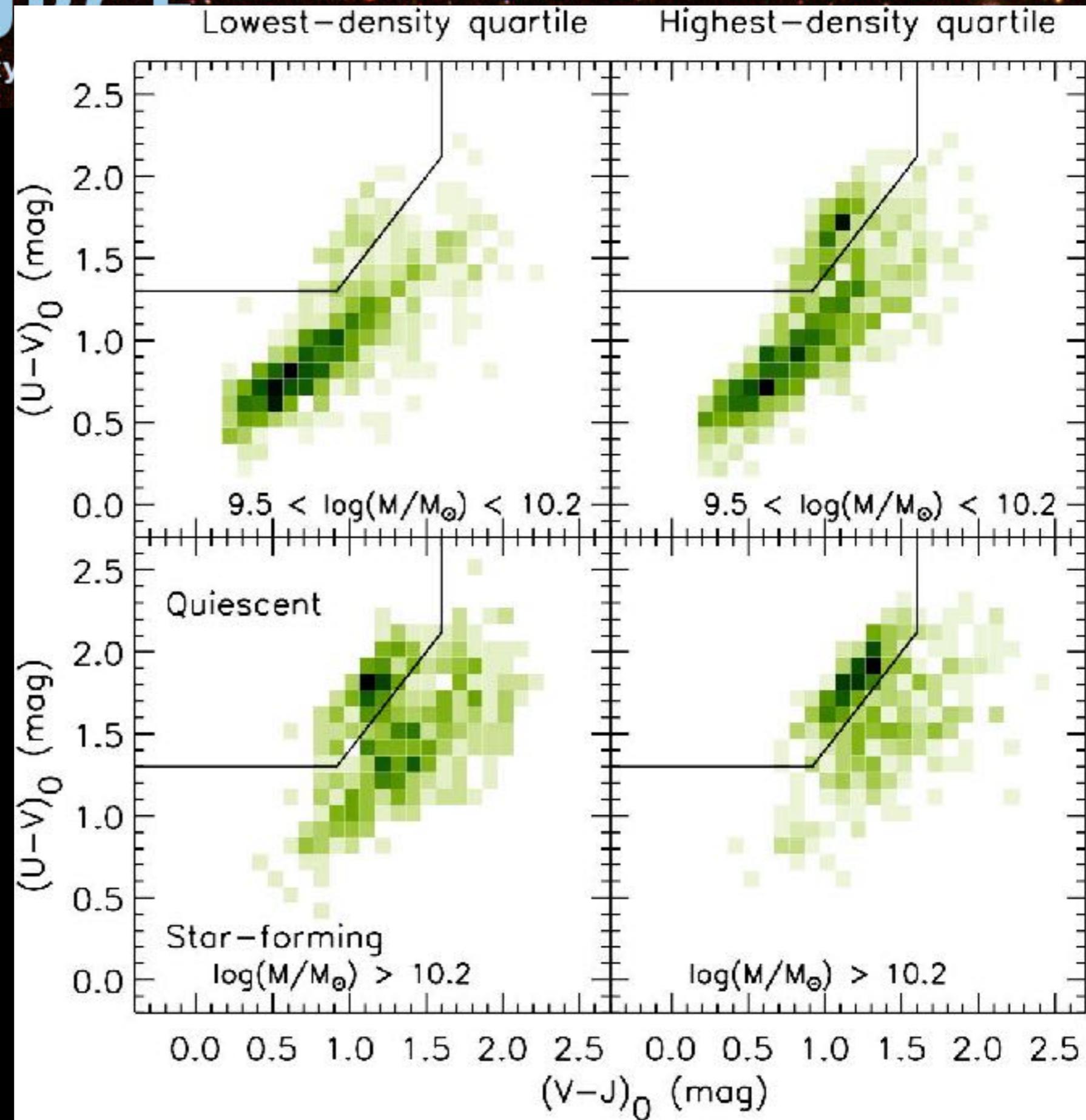
WFC3/F160W

Overdensities  
from a Bayesian-  
motivated 3rd  
nearest neighbor  
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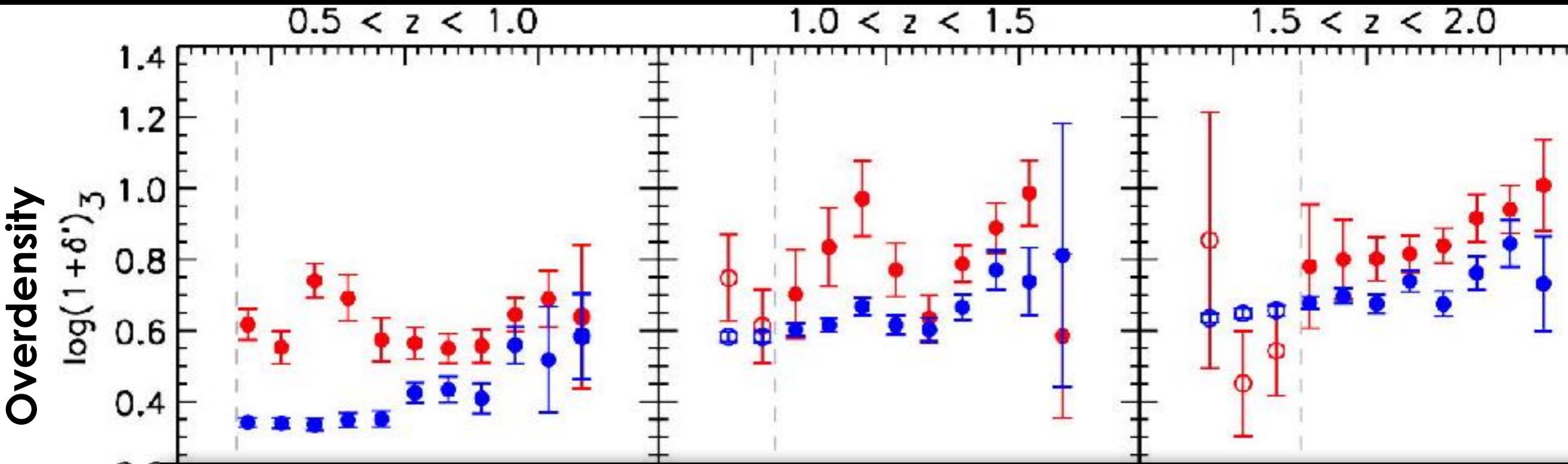
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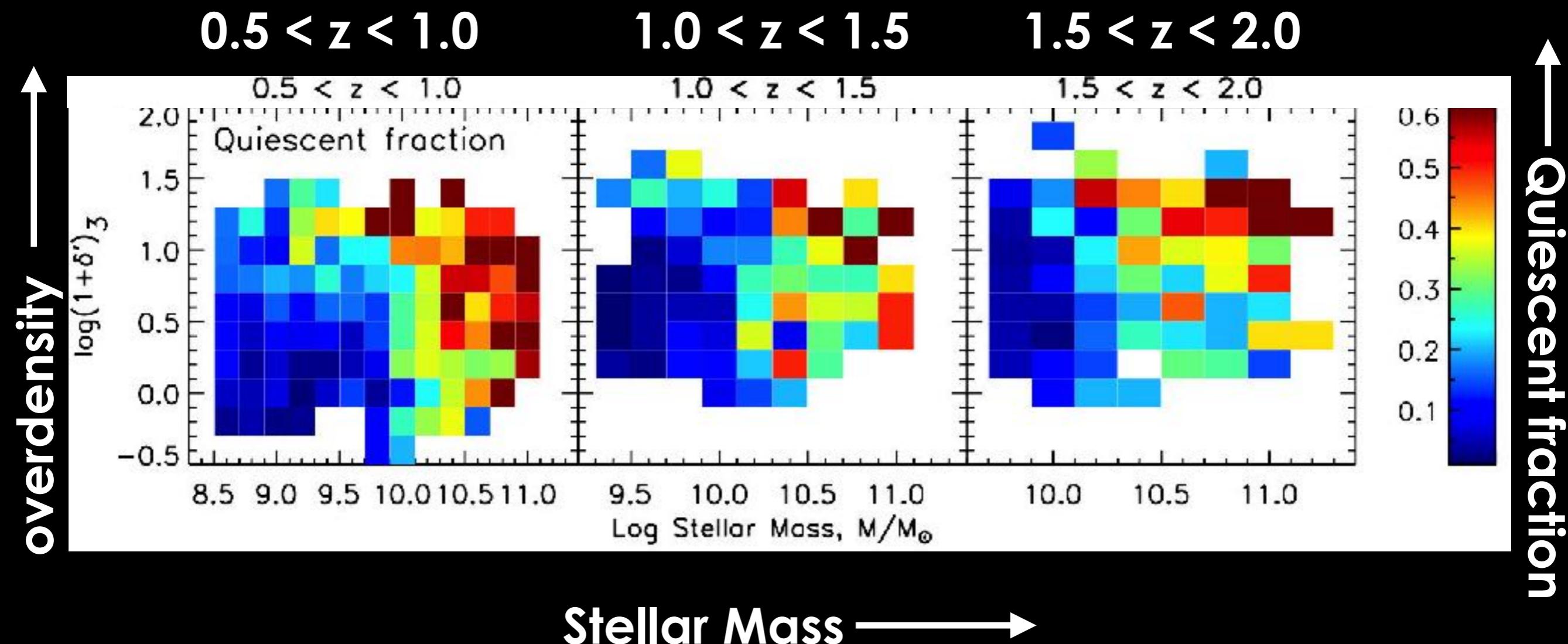
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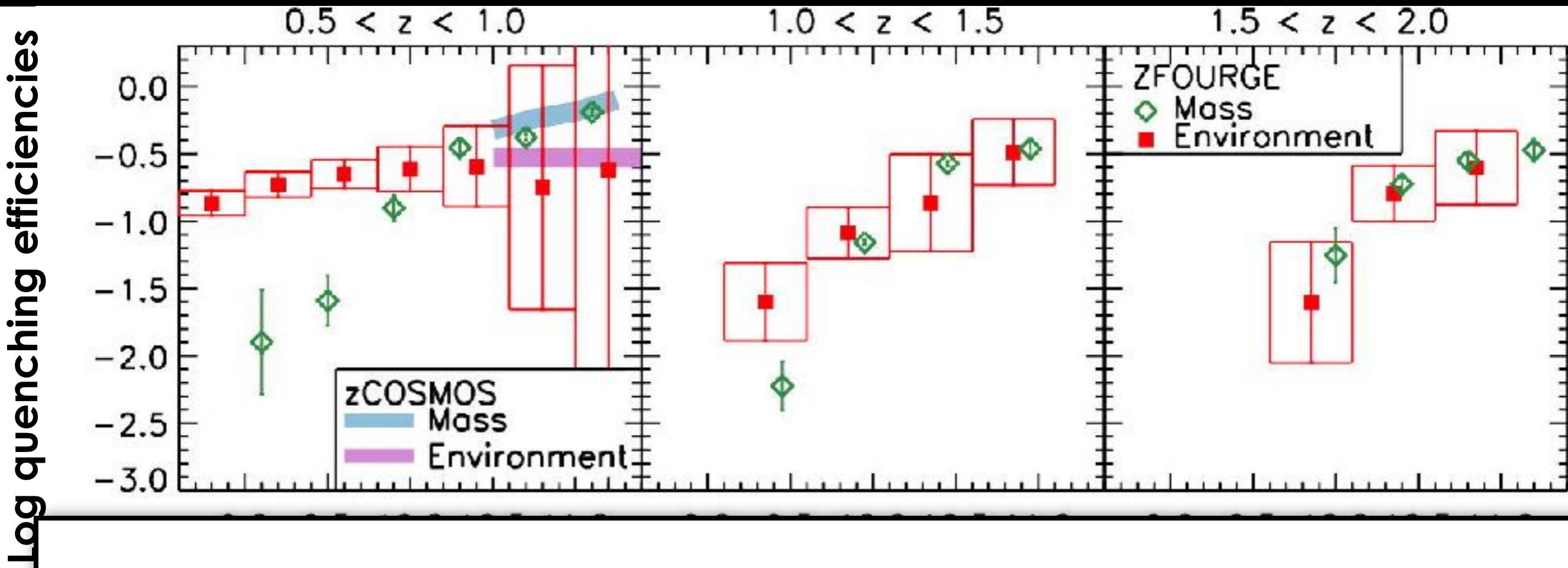
# evolution of mass quenching and environmental quenching efficiency



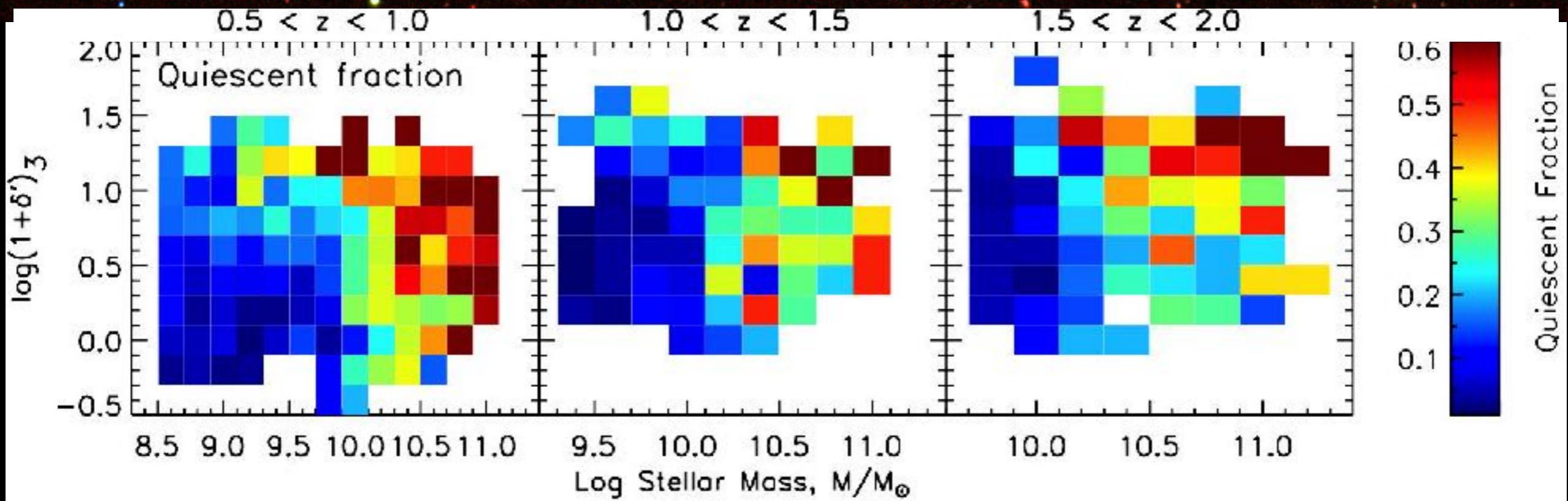
*Quiescent galaxies are found in denser environments at all redshifts and stellar masses (Kawinwanichakij, CP, +17)*

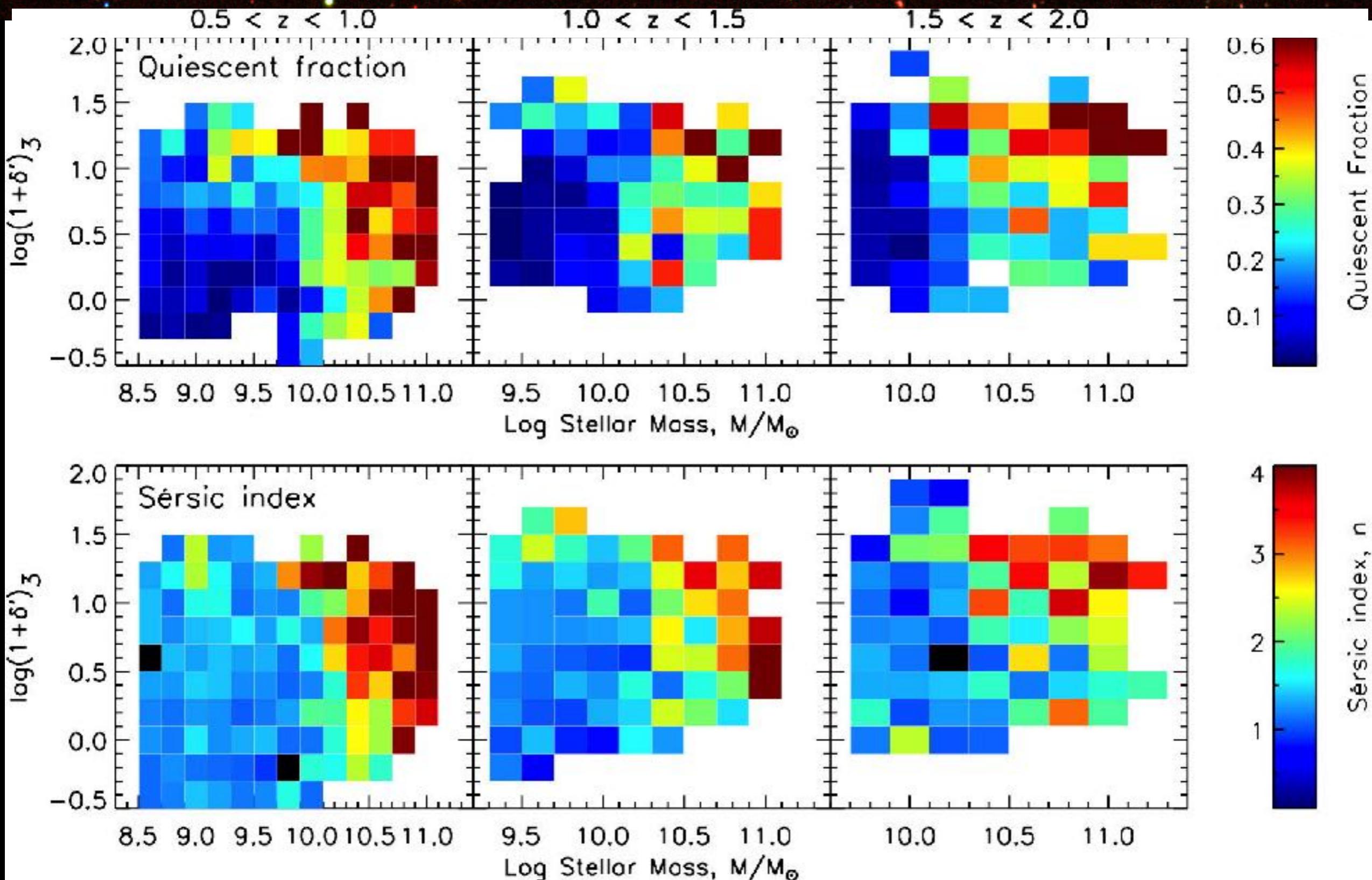


## evolution of mass quenching and environmental quenching efficiency in ZFOURGE



*At  $z > 0.5$ , environmental quenching efficiency correlates with stellar mass. Environmental quenching mechanism must scale with stellar mass. (Kawinwanichakij, CP et al. ApJ, submitted).*





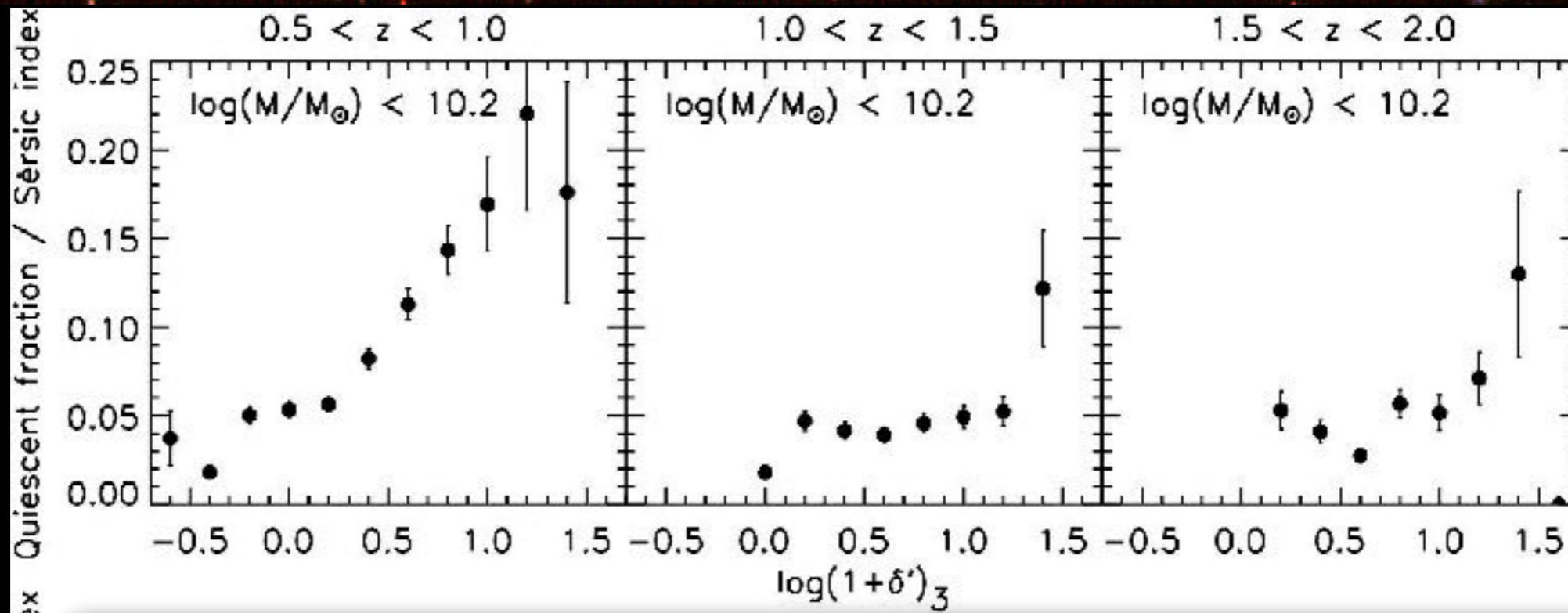


# ZFOURGE

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# CANDELS

Ratio of quiescent fraction to  
Sersic Index

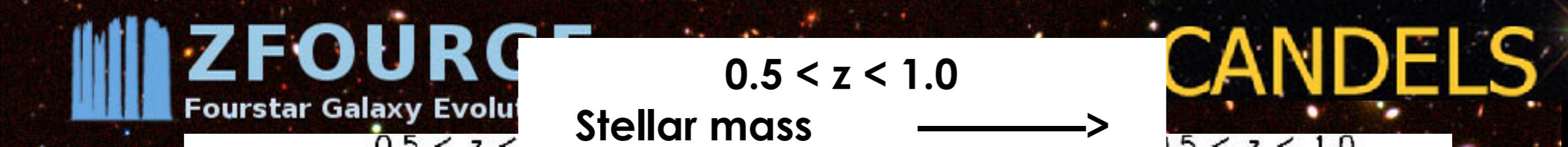


Lower  
mass  
galaxies

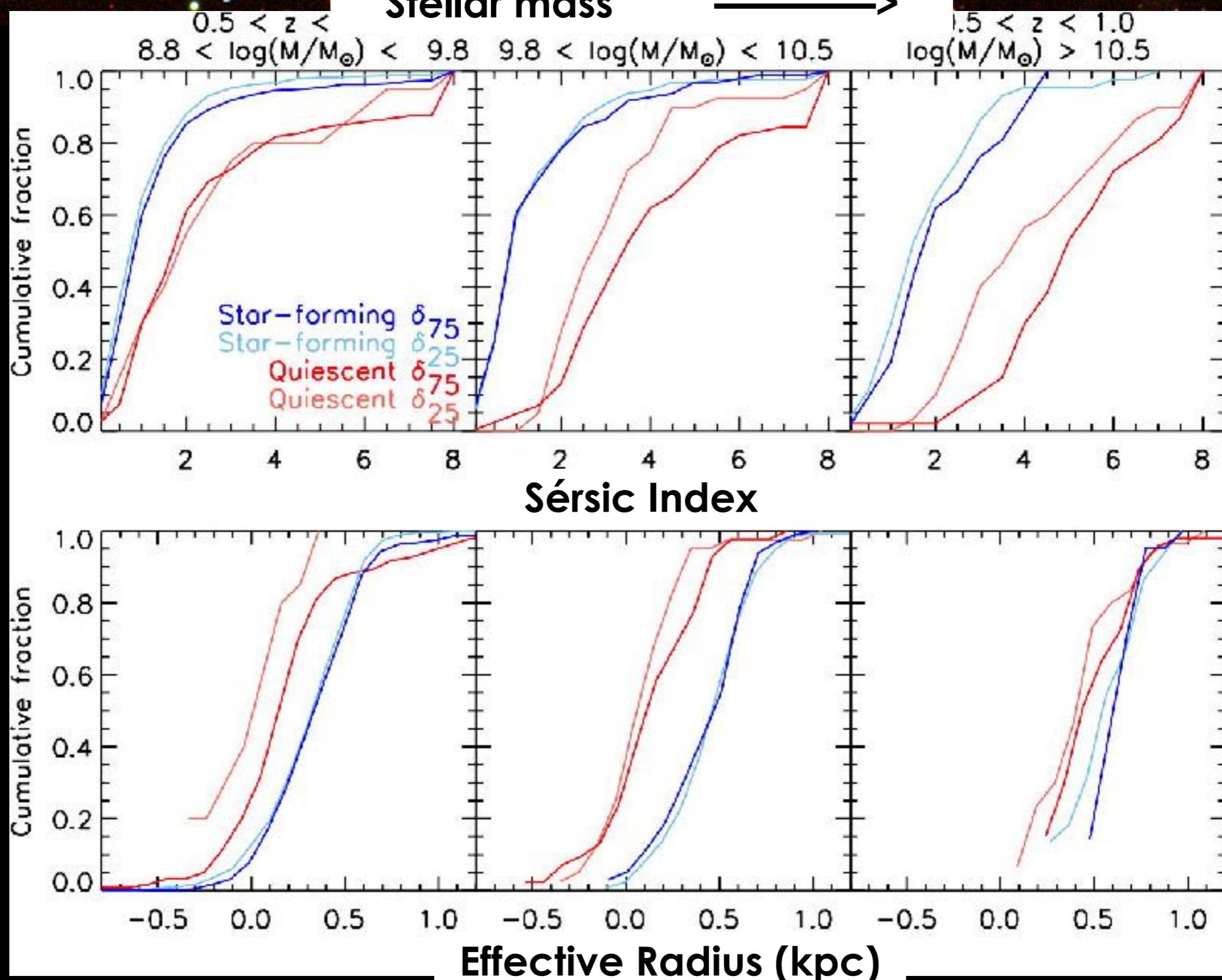
*For lower mass galaxies, change in quiescent fraction is faster than change in morphology...*

*But... there is no statistical difference in morphologies of quiescent galaxies in lowest and highest densities  
(environment must erase any differences....)*

(Kawinwanichakij, CP et al. ApJ, submitted)



Cumulative fractions



## Environmental Quenching observed to $z < 2$ in ZFOURGE/CANDELS

- Quiescent galaxies reside in overdense regions out to  $z \sim 2$  (Kawinwanichakij+17)
- Mass quenching: increases with stellar mass, and decreasing redshift (Kawin+17)
- Environmental quenching: clear dependence on stellar mass at  $z > 0.5$ ; quasi-constant at lower redshift ( $z < 0.5$ )? (Kawin.+17)
  - *(Part II, tomorrow:) must be true or SMF would be very different at high*
  - *(Part II, tomorrow:). All the evolution in the quiescent galaxy SMF results from environmental quenching (in overdense regions)*
- Environmental quenching appears to change morphologies (Kawin.+17)
  - Environmental change in quiescent fraction faster than change in morphology (Sersic Index), but...
  - Statistically, distributions of quiescent galaxy morphologies in low-density regions are identical to those in high-density regions (nor do quiescent galaxies look like star-forming galaxies in any environment).
- *(Part II, tomorrow:). Favors environmental mechanisms at high redshift that scale with (stellar) mass (e.g., “overconsumption”, McGee+14; Balogh+16).*