

Report of PFS SSP (SSP=Subaru Strategic Program)

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- PFS technical team + Mitaka PFS team
- 39 observing volunteers (many junior scientists)

S25A

- The scientific operation of PFS, including PFS-SSP, started in March
- 14 nights** were allocated to PFS-SSP in S25A
- ~100hrs of on-sky integration, out of 125hrs total night-time (so we were very lucky and efficient)
- 16.5 nights allocated in S25B
- Established the PFS-SSP observation procedures (preparation of the PFS-SSP target lists, transferring those to the PFS ope files, execution of the PFS observation, ...) (thanks to Khee-Gan Lee, ...)

Schedule for March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						Mar 01
						S25A-TE193-K Weisz HSC
Mar 02	Mar 03	Mar 04	Mar 05	Mar 06 ◉	Mar 07	Mar 08
S25A-UH027-A(0.6) de Boer HSC	Queue HSC				S25A-026 (Cancelled) [Telescope] Hashimoto CRS+SCExAO+NIRWFS+NGS	S25A-026 (Cancelled) [Telescope] Hashimoto CRS+SCExAO+NIRWFS+NGS
Queue(0.4) HSC					Eng (Cancelled) [Telescope]	S25A-134(0.1) (Cancelled) [Telescope] Kuzuhara --- SSP(0.4) (Cancelled) [Telescope] IRD+NGS-AO
Mar 09	Mar 10	Mar 11	Mar 12	Mar 13 ◉	Mar 14	Mar 15
S25A-026 (Cancelled) [Telescope] Hashimoto CRS+SCExAO+NIRWFS+NGS	S25A-026 Hashimoto CRS+SCExAO+NIRWFS+NGS	S25A-TE009-G Jiang VAM+SCExAO+NIRWFS+NGS	S24A-023I Currie CRS+SCExAO+NIRWFS+NGS		Eng AO188+LLT	S25A-040 Ichikawa MOIRCS
Eng (Cancelled) [Telescope] SCExAO	SSP IRD	Eng SCExAO			S24A-023I Currie CRS+SCExAO+NIRWFS+NGS	S24A-023I Currie CRS+SCExAO+NIRWFS+NGS
Mar 16	Mar 17	Mar 18	Mar 19	Mar 20	Mar 21 ◉	Mar 22
S25A-025 Takeda MOIRCS	S24A-113 Matsumoto MOIRCS	S25A-026 [compensation] Hashimoto CRS+SCExAO+NIRWFS+NGS	Eng (Cancelled) [Telescope] PFS	Eng PFS		S25A-UH006-B(0.75) Sanders PFS
	Obs MOIRCS	S25A-134(0.1) Kuzuhara --- SSP(0.4) IRD+NGS-AO				Queue(0.25) PFS
Mar 23	Mar 24	Mar 25	Mar 26	Mar 27	Mar 28 ●	Mar 29
S25A-UH006-B(0.75) Sanders PFS	S25A-039 Lee PFS	Queue PFS		Queue PFS	Queue PFS	Queue PFS
Queue(0.25) PFS			SSP PFS	SSP PFS	SSP PFS	SSP PFS
Mar 30	Mar 31					
Queue PFS	Queue PFS					
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Goals of S25A

- **Cosmology**: Science verification studies using ~0.1million targets to finalize color-mag selection cuts for [OII] emission-line galaxies
- **Galaxy Evolution (GE)**: inter-galactic medium (IGM) tomography targets over 1 pointing of ELAIS-N1 field
 - Other GE targets ($z \sim 1-2$ galaxies, high- z galaxies, AGNs) are fillers
- **Galactic Archaeology (GA)**: stellar populations in Ursa Minor and Draco dwarf galaxies with medium resolution (MR) grating

challenges/issues

- need updates (or improvements) in NIR data reduction pipeline
- fiber positioning accuracy (typically $\sim 20\mu\text{m}$ $\sim 0.2''$ for now; can we achieve $<10\mu\text{m}$?)
- un converged fibers (now ~ 200 fibers); will be resolved soon?
- how many sky fibers do we need? (~ 200 fibers for cosmology, but ~ 400 fibers for GA and GE)
- need an improvement in the coadd spectra quality (for faint objects); this issue is likely related to imperfect flux calibration, fiber-to-fiber throughput variations, and/or AG inaccuracy?
- wavelength calibration in the blue-arm spectrum: will be resolved soon?
- need more communication and protocols btw science WGs and technical team
- timely delivery of data/products via the NAOJ site

SSP=Subaru Legacy Survey Please join the PFS-SSP!

PFS page: <https://pfs.naoj.org/research/index.html>



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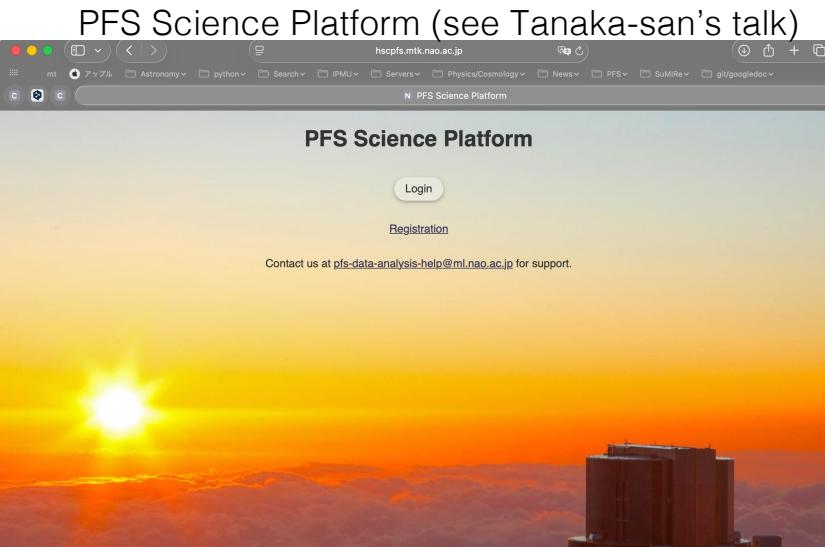
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