

The First Harvard-Smithsonian Conference on Theoretical Astrophysics:

The First Generation of Cosmic Structures

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The talks of the First Harvard-Smithsonian Conference on Theoretical Astrophysics, entitled "The First Generation of Cosmic Structures", will be video projected at Phillips auditorium on May 15-19 with a time shift of half a day relative to the conference times.

Below is the corresponding screening schedule of the talks.

Date: May, 15-19, 2000 (Monday-Friday)

Place: Phillips Auditorium, Harvard College Observatory, 60 Garden St, Cambridge, MA, USA

Program:

Monday: 2pm-5:30pm

Welcoming Address:

Irwin Shapiro (Harvard-Smithsonian CfA)

Session 1: The High-Redshift Universe: Theoretical overview

Session Chair: Ramesh Narayan

Martin Rees (Institute of Astronomy, Cambridge University, UK):

End of the Dark Ages and Reionization: Overview

Abraham Loeb (Harvard-Smithsonian CfA):

Properties of the First Sources of Light

Simon White (MPI für Astrophysik, Germany):

Simulations and Modeling of Galaxy Formation

Tuesday: 9am -5:30pm

Session 2: The High-Redshift Universe: Observations

Session Chair: James Moran

Charles Steidel (CalTech):

Star-Forming Galaxies at $z=1-5$: Connection to Large Scale Structure

Mark Dickinson (Space Telescope Science Inst.):

The Hubble Deep Fields

Arjun Dey (NOAO):

What We Will Know About $z>5$ Prior to NGST

Antoinette Songaila (Univ. of Hawaii):

The Chemical Evolution of the Universe

Amy Barger (Univ. of Hawaii):

Multi-Wavelength Observations of Obscured Regions

Session 2: Observations (continued)

Session Chair: David Tytler

Hyron Spinrad (Univ. of California, Berkeley):

Observations of the High- z Universe: Overview and Perspective

Lennox Cowie (Univ. of Hawaii):

The Hawaii Deep Surveys

Xiaohui Fan (Princeton Univ.):

High Redshift Quasars in the Sloan Digital Sky Survey

Robert Kirshner (Harvard-Smithsonian CfA):

High-Redshift Supernovae

Neta Bahcall (Princeton Univ.):

Redshift Evolution of Galaxy Clusters

Session 3: Feedback on the Intergalactic Medium

Session Chair: Richard Larson

Jordi Miralda-Escude (Ohio State Univ.):

Reionization: Overview

Wednesday: 9am-5:30pm

Piero Madau (Institute of Astronomy, Cambridge Univ., UK):

Star and Quasar Formation Histories and Reionization

Michael Shull (Univ. of Colorado)

Emission Spectrum and UV Escape Fraction of the First Stars

Rachel Somerville (Institute of Astronomy, Cambridge Univ., UK):

Semi-Analytic Modeling of High-Redshift Galaxies

Joseph Silk (Oxford Univ., UK):

Feedback from AGN Outflows

Andrea Ferrara (Arcetri Obs., Florence, Italy):

Feedback from Supernova Outflows

Session 4: Numerical Simulations

Session Chair: William Press

Lars Hernquist (Harvard-Smithsonian CfA):

Evolution of the Intergalactic Medium

Session 4: Numerical Simulations (continued)

Jeremiah Ostriker (Princeton Univ.):

Simulations of the First Objects: Overview

Michael Norman (Univ. of Illinois):

Fragmentation of the First Baryonic Objects

Nickolay Gnedin (Univ. of Colorado):

Simulations of Reionization

Session 5: Cosmic Microwave Background

Session Chair: George Rybicki

Martin White (Harvard-Smithsonian):

Secondary Effects of Reionization

Andrew Lange (CalTech):

Results from BOOMERANG and Other Ground-Based Experiments

John Carlstrom (Univ. of Chicago):

Interferometric Observations of CMB Anisotropy

Thursday: 9am-5:30pm

Suzanne Staggs (Princeton Univ.)

The Future of Polarization Experiments

Session 6: Specific Sources

Session Chair: Alexander Dalgarno

Avery Meiksin (Univ. of Edinburgh, UK):

21 cm Emission

Volker Bromm (Yale University):

Simulations of the Formation of the First Stars

Zoltan Haiman (Princeton Univ.):

Empirical Signatures of the First Stars and Quasars

Rennan Barkana (Inst. for Advanced Study, Princeton):

Physical Properties of the First Galaxies

Martin Haehnelt (MPI fur Astrophysik, Germany):

Models of the Evolution of Quasars

Session 6: Specific Sources (continued)

Peter Meszaros (Penn State Univ.):

Gamma-Ray Bursts: Overview

Eli Waxman (Weizmann Institute, Israel):

Cosmological Sources of High Energy Particles

Tom Abel (Harvard-Smithsonian CfA):

Fragmentation of the First Objects

Session 7: Next Generation Telescopes

Session Chair: John Huchra

Wallace Sargent (CalTech):

The Future of Large Ground-Based Optical/IR Telescopes

David Wilner (Harvard-Smithsonian CfA):

Probing High Redshifts with the Sub-Millimeter Array

Andrew Blain (Institute of Astronomy, Cambridge Univ., UK):

The Future of Far-IR -- mm Studies of the High Redshift Universe

Friday: 9am-12:30pm

Harvey Butcher (Netherlands Foundation for Research in Astronomy, Netherlands)

Probing High-Redshifts with the Square Kilometer Array

Richard Mushotzky (NASA):

The Present and Future of X-Ray Telescopes

Peter Stockman (Space Telescope Science Inst.):

The Next Generation Space Telescope: Scientific Overview

John Mather (NASA):

The Next Generation Space Telescope: Technology Development

Closing Summary: Edwin Turner (Princeton Univ.)

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