# ZTF Photometry release plan

## Conclusions

- 5 main new ingredients in DR2.5
  - Sensor effects (critical, validation in progress)
  - ztfimg (new detrending framework)
  - Starflats / uberflats (code exists, reprocessing in progress)
  - Bandpasses (exist, validation in progress)
  - Calibration chain (ubercal <-> SMP not connected yet)

## Main differences w.r.t DR2.2

- Now starting now from raw data
  - More logistics: linearity corrections, master bias & flats
  - Pocket effect correction
- SMP <-> Ubercal integration
  - Done once with DR2.1 in the past
- SMP photometry of fundamental standards
  - Already done after DR2.2
  - Will be redone in DR2.5
- Uniformity corrections in light curve calibrations
  - Not critical, but since we have starflats/uberflats, let's use them

# Testing phase

- Before pushing the button, test first
  - Allow to iterate quickly to spot problems and fix them
  - -> reduce the amount of data
- Test dataset
  - 158 contiguous fields, 3 bands, 2018 -> 2022
  - Star flat fields
  - Contain field 600 and 557 (test fields for pocket effect)

#### Test runs

- Photometry test runs
  - Run the SMP pipeline on the test dataset
    - Aperture & PSF photometry
- Studies
  - pocket effect validation (fields 600 & 557)
  - Mini-ubercal (all fields)
  - SMP light curves for all SNe in the test dataset
  - Ubercal <-> SMP connection
  - Starflats / uberflats comparison
  - Filter model validation

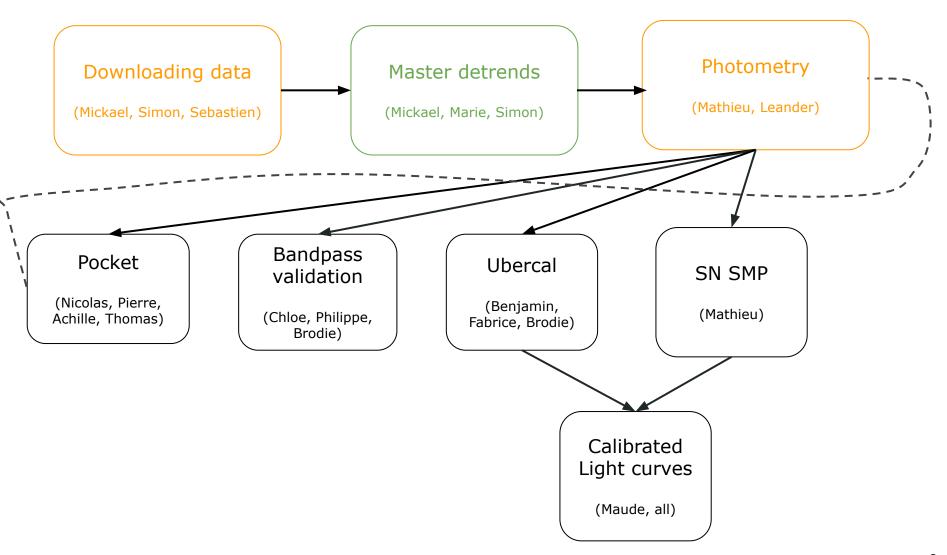
### **Metrics**

- Pocket effect
  - Aperture fluxes before / after correction
    - Goal: correction must preserve fluxes
  - PSF flux linearity estimated from comparison PSF <-> aperture
    - Goal: linear at the 0.2-0.3% level
  - Astrometry
    - Goal: no detectable flux dependent bias in astrometry
- Ubercal
  - Comparison with GAIA / PS1 (uniformity)
  - Comparison with SMP fluxes (flatness & linearity)
    - *Goal*: 0.2-0.3%
  - Comparison full calibration chain with GAIA-based chain
    - Goal: 0.2-0.3%

# Metrics (cont'd)

- Bandpasses
  - Synthetic color terms vs. measured color terms
    - Preferably with telescopes with measured bandpasses
      - PS1
      - MegaCam
  - Predicting ZTF mags with GAIA XP
  - Goal: 2-3 AA

# Plans for testing phase



## Tentative schedule

See Mathieu's talk

- Photometry
  - Takes a little longer than expected (pipeline issues)
  - Hopefully completed before the Christmas break
  - Enables validation studies (January)
- As soon as validation metrics met
  - We push the button (February ?)
- Photometry will then go through
  - Compression
  - Blinding
  - And be available to all (same pages)