Appendix B

TELESCOPE INSTRUMENTATION

The design of the WHT allows great flexibility in instrumentation as this telescope allows fast and easy switching between the Cassegrain and Nasmyth foci. For this reason, and to take advantage of the large light collecting power of this telescope, operation and developmental efforts focus on the WHT. Also visiting instruments, i.e. instruments built and used by external groups for their own use, are welcome at the WHT and have attracted a great deal of attention. The INT is equipped with only one instrument, the Wide Field Camera. A broad functional division in instrumentation capability between the WHT and INT is as follows:

William Herschel Telescope
Optical pectroscopy and spectro-polarimetry over a wide range of resolving powers
Imaging polarimetry
IR spectroscopy
Multi-object spectroscopy
Areal spectroscopy
Optical and infrared imaging

Optical and infrared imaging
High spatial resolution imaging
Coronography

Isaac Newton Telescope CCD imaging

The following table summarises the common-user instruments which were available during 2004 and 2005:

Focus	Instrument	Detector
William Herschel Telescope		
Cassegrain	ISIS double spectrograph	EEV and Marconi CCDs
	Auxiliary port camera (AUX)	Tektronix CCD
	IR imager and spectrograph (LIRIS)	Rockwell HgCdTe array
Nasmyth	Adaptive optics instrumentation:	
	NAOMI / INGRID / OSCA	Rockwell HgCdTe array
	NAOMI / OASIS	MIT/LL CCD
Prime	Prime Focus imaging Camera (PFIP)	2 × EEV CCD
	Autofib Fibre Positioner (AF2) and WYFFOS spectrograph	2 × EEV CCD
Isaac Newton Telescope		
Prime	Wide Field Camera (WFC)	4 × EEV CCDs