

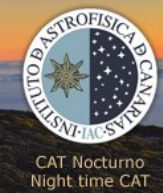
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The Time Allocation Committee of the Canarian Observatories “EI CAT”

J. Acosta Pulido (Current President)



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Members

Three panels:

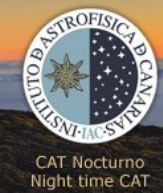
- **Cosmology and Galaxies**
- Galaxies and Stars
- **Stars and Planets**

Each panel is formed by 5 persons:

- 1 Commissioner + 1 Vice-commissioner
- 3 Members

Members:

- ◆ Are chosen from the national (sometimes international) astronomical community
- ◆ They must have at least 15 paper or 5 papers in the last 6 years
- ◆ Act during four semesters and are ineligible in 5 years
- ◆ About 40% are from IAC, 60% from the non-IAC Spanish community



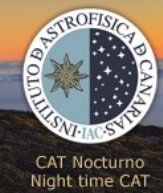
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Meetings

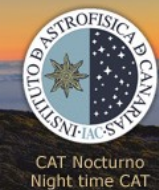
Two meetings per year (May and November) to evaluate semestral call for proposals

- ★ Discussion+mark proposals - 2 day session/panel
- ★ Join all proposals/telescope and award within the available time to the best qualified ones
- ★ Submit list of awarded proposals to telescope managers and wait for scheduling
- ★ Publication of final list of awarded proposals



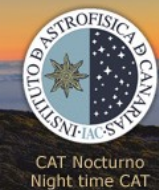
Available Time at GTC

Telescope	% open time	OPTICON (12B)
GTC	CAT ~70% (350 hr/12A) ESO-GTC Florida 2.5%+2.5% Mex. 2.5%+2.5% ITP 5% Comm. 20%	



Available Time at ORM

Telescope	% open time	OPTICON (12B)
WHT+INT	CAT (20%+14%) [54 nights] PATT 33,2% NL PC 27,7% ITP 5% [15nights/yr]	2 nights WHT 5 nights INT
TNG	CAT (20%) [27 nights] TAC 75% ITP 5%	7 nights
NOT	CAT 20% (> 12A???) Nordic 75% ITP 5%	20 nights
LIVERPOOL	CAT 20% [135hr+50hr backup]	50 hours
Mercator	CAT 20 % [29 nights]	---



Available Time at OT

Telescope	% open time	OPTICON (12B)
TCS	CAT (~80%) [145 nights] Rutinary ~1.5hr/night ITP 5% [15nights/yr]	2 nights WHT 5 nights INT
IAC80	CAT (75%) [120 nights] Rutinary ~1.5hr/night ITP 5% Education	7 nights
Stella	CAT 20% (13A???)	
LCOGT,...	CAT 20% (???) 3000 hrs	



Service time

CAT Service time

short proposals to finalize on-going programs,
performed by GAS (Grupo Astronomos Soporte IAC)

Number of service nights increased in 12B
from 9 to 16
(To be decided in next CAT meeting)

Proposals

- @NOT 12/38 [Executed/received]
- @INT 13/22

	Service Nights	
Telescope	12A	12B
WHT	3	3
INT	3	6
NOT	3	4-6
TNG	0	1-3

Also ING-service time open to everybody.

See Poster by J. Mendez about “The ING Service Programme” in this meeting:

(<http://www.riastronomia.es/opencms/export/sites/default/Descarga/Adjuntos/workshops/WS20120129/POSTERS.pdf>)



OT Service programs

At IAC80 and TCS every night <1.5hrs> taken for “service programs”
(executed by SA or TO)

- 4 ToO
- 22 rutinary programs (quasi-periodic observations)
- 28 service programs

In total: about 600 observations or 600 hours

Different origin of rutinary programs (priority from top to bottom):

- ★ DDT
- ★ Approved by CAT
- ★ Extra



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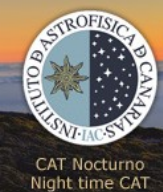
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IAC-DDT time

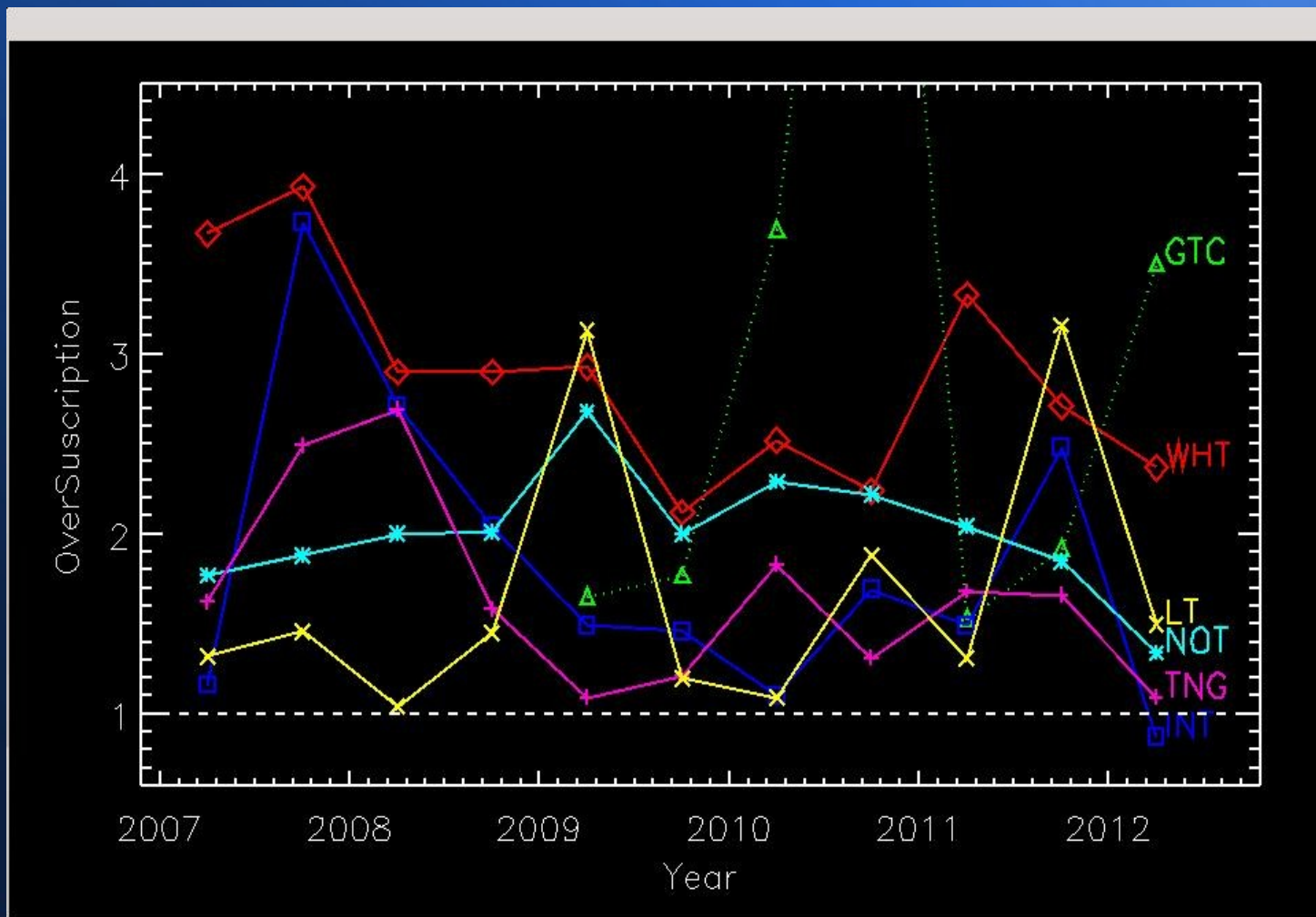
Director Discretionary Time (from 2007):

- ◆ Unforeseen or urgent transitory phenomena, high impact proposals which need urgent observations.
 - ◆ Assigned by IAC-Director, assisted technically and scientifically.
 - 3 nights at WHT
 - 3 nights at INT



Oversubscription 12A

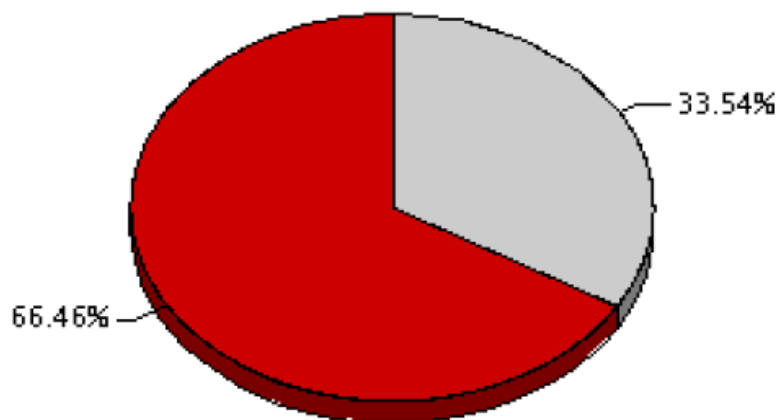
Telesc ope	Available Nights	Over- rate
GTC	430hr	3.5
WHT	54	2.4
INT	51	0.9
NOT	31	1.3
TNG	27	1.1
LT	119	1.5
IAC80	120	0.8
TCS	79	1.0





Proposals 12A

164 propuestas solicitadas en el semestre

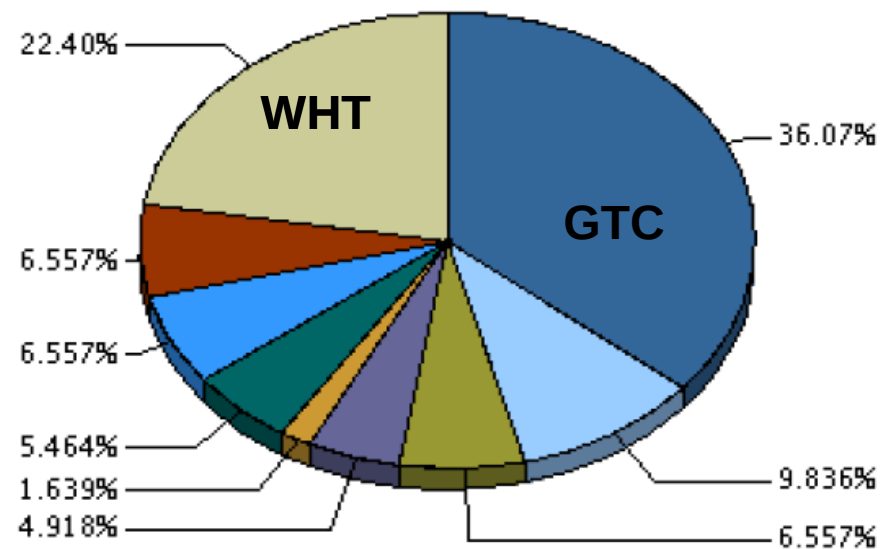


2012A

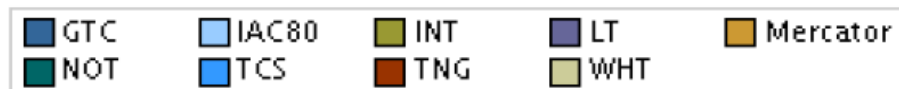
■ Total rechazadas ■ Total concedidas

Ratio de sobrepetición: 1.50

Solicitudes por telescopio

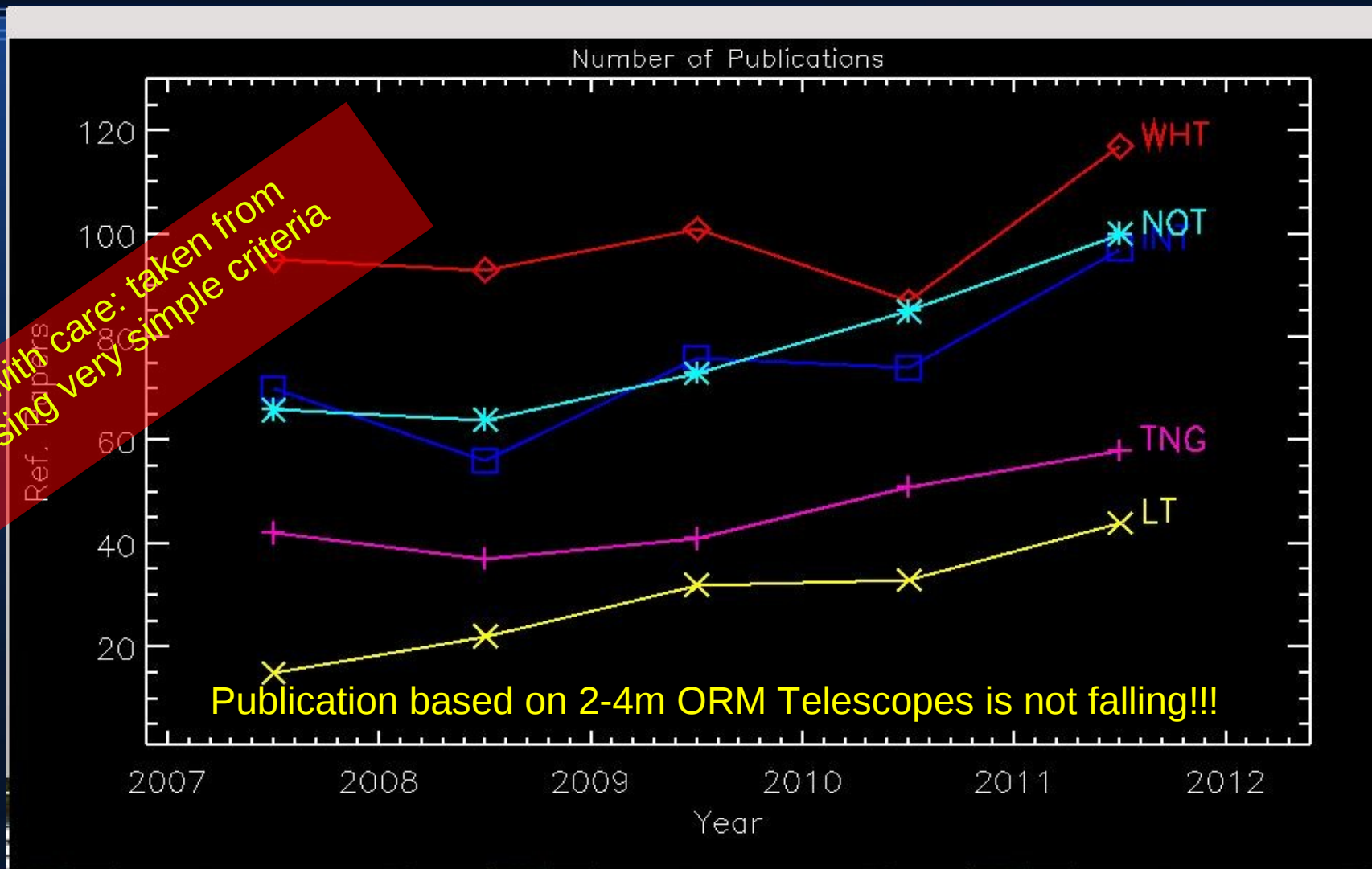


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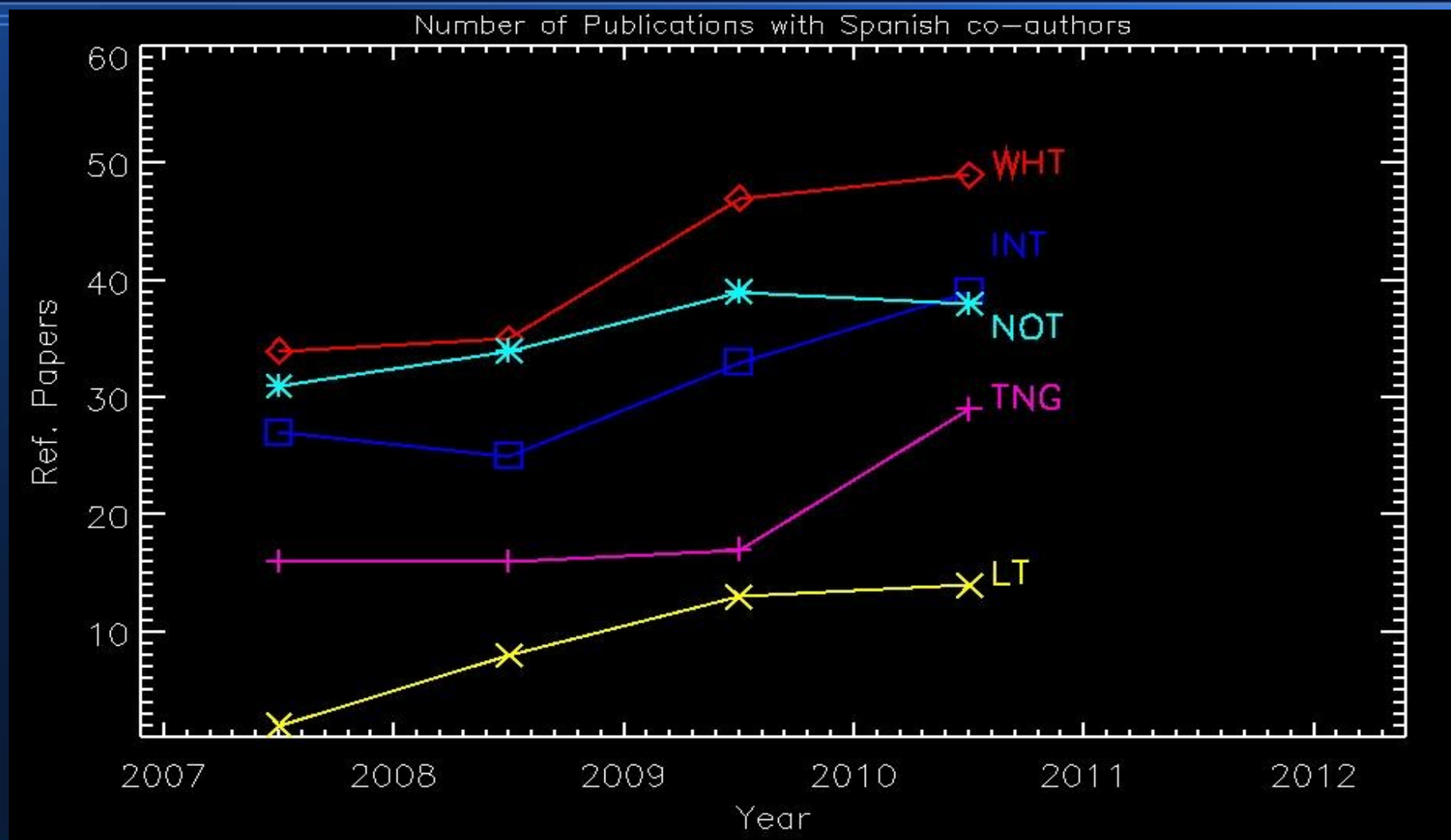
Publications ORM



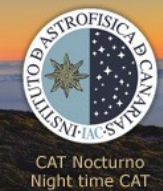
See also web pages of telescope teams. For example:

<http://www.ing.iac.es/PR/impact.html>; <http://www.not.iac.es/news/publications/>

Publications ORM with Spanish Authors



See also report pages of RIA.



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News for semester 2012B

Call for Proposals semester 2012B:
Deadline **3 April, 17:00**

Remarkable News:

HARPS-N@TNG offered for 1st time.

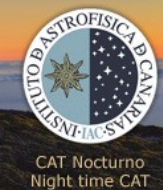
But GT will take 80 nights during 5 years

There is a list of reserved targets

GTC offered with two instruments (service+visiting modes):

OSIRIS (broad band, red TF, spectroscopy)

– CANARICAM imaging+spectroscopy



For the near future

Long Term Projects or Survey projects (proposal to be discussed widely and has to be approved by IAC – Consejo Rector)

- Driven by low oversubscription and science needs

Electronic bulletin/newsletter (Summer 2012)

Improve evaluation process (new software tools)

And finally, you can collaborate:

- Send proposals, raise oversubscription rates
- Volunteer for being a member (contact jap@iac.es)