



# TIME DOMAIN ASTRONOMY

FP7/WP11

2012-2016

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# PEOPLE 2013-2016

## Warsaw University

**Dr hab. Łukasz Wyrzykowski**

- ✗ Dr Krzysztof Ulaczyk (part-time PDRA) - observations (Warsaw, Loiano), data reductions, automatization, calibrations, technical support to the observatories in the network.
- ✗ Dr Zuzanna Kostrzewska-Rutkowska - visualisations, data analysis, data maintenance
- ✗ Michał Pawlak (PhD stud)- observations (Warsaw, Loiano, OHP, LCOGT), data reductions
- undegraduate students from Warsaw - observations in Warsaw and Loiano

## Liverpool John Moores University

**Prof. Iain Steele**

- ✗ Dr Robert Barnsley (PDRA) - generic pipeline for spectroscopic time domain data via web browser for professional and amateur astronomers.

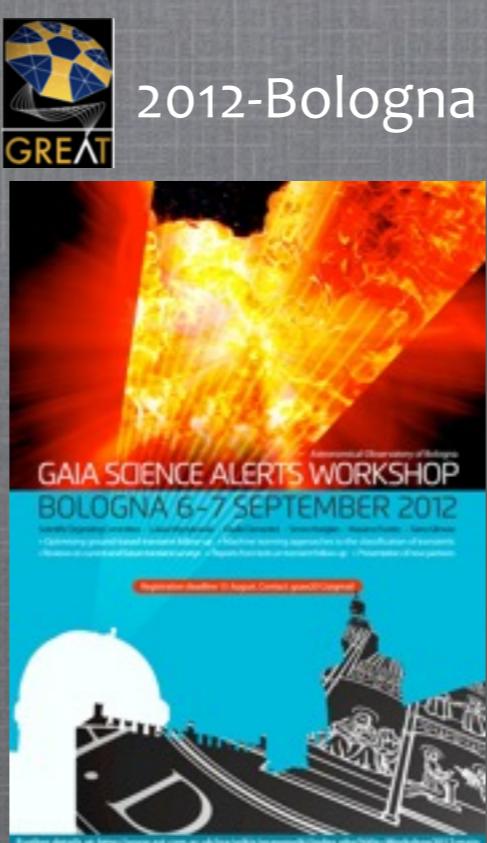
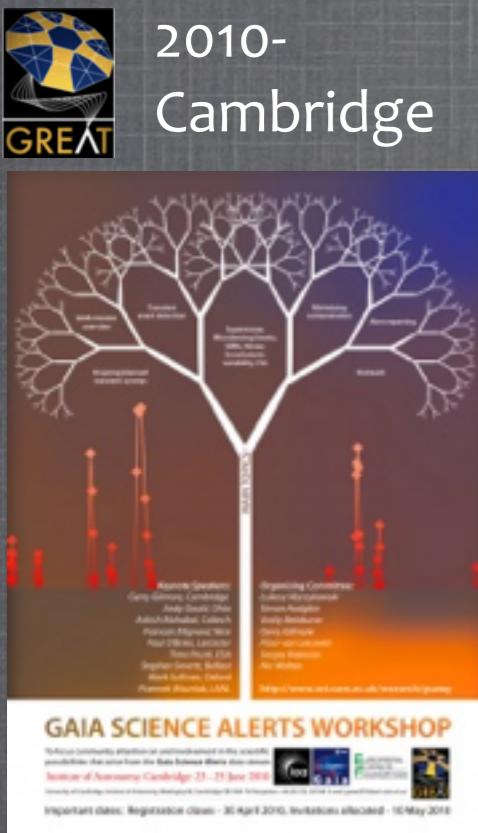
**Mr Andrzej Piascik (PhD student)** - designing and building of SPRAT spectrograph for LT and possibly other telescopes

# ACHIEVEMENTS

- network of small telescopes (~20 active)
- automated system for crude photometric data reductions
- central repository of follow-up data (>30000 observations)
- developed efficient and low cost spectrograph SPRAT (Liverpool)
- 4 workshop to connect observers to science  
(Gaia Alerts-related)
- your lunches in Utrecht :)

# GAIA SCIENCE ALERTS WORKSHOPS

2010-  
Cambridge



2015-Liverpool  
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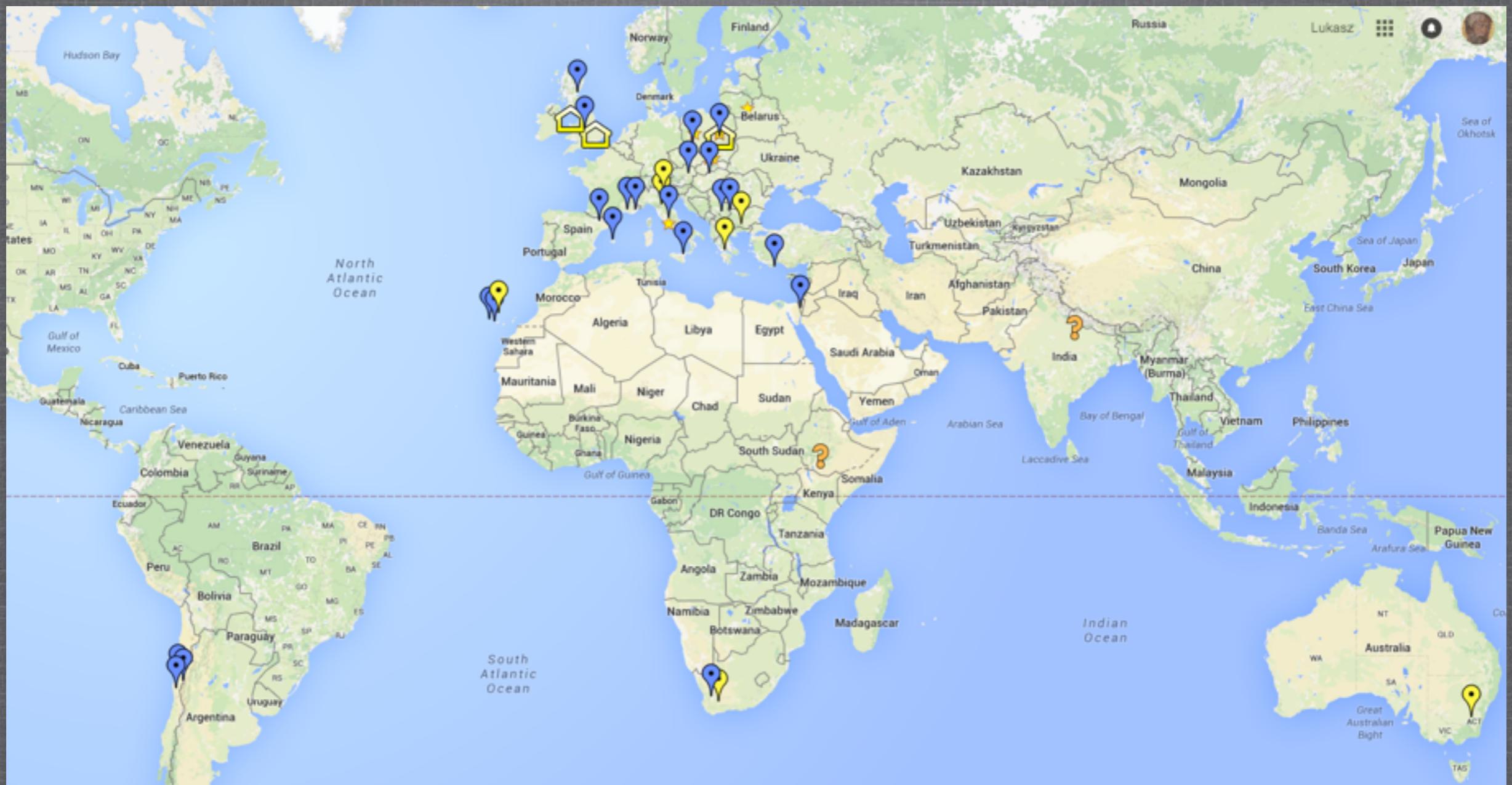
2016-Utrecht  
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Archive of slides and videos:  
<http://www.ast.cam.ac.uk/ioa/wikis/gsawgwiki>

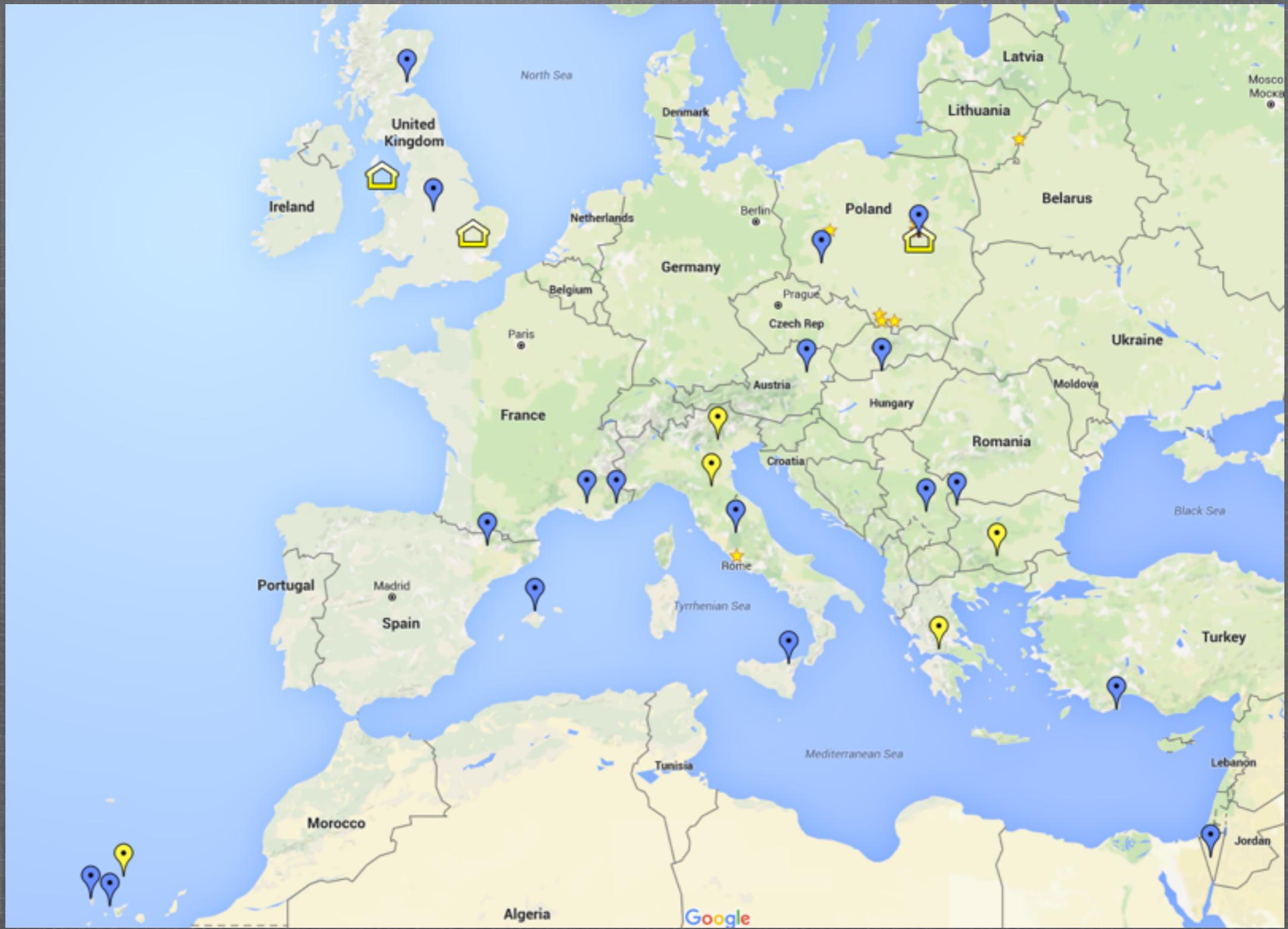
# OPTICON FOLLOW-UP NETWORK

~20 active partners, ~30000 data points collected 2014-2016



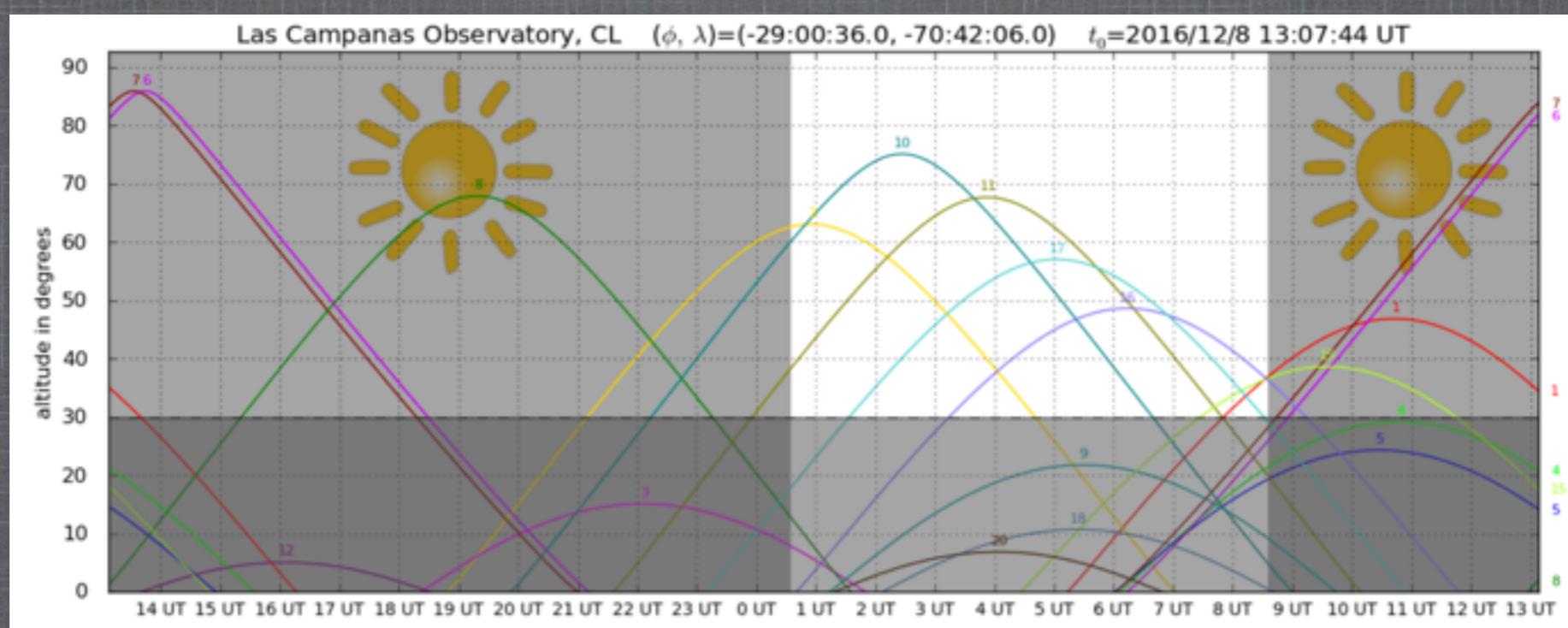
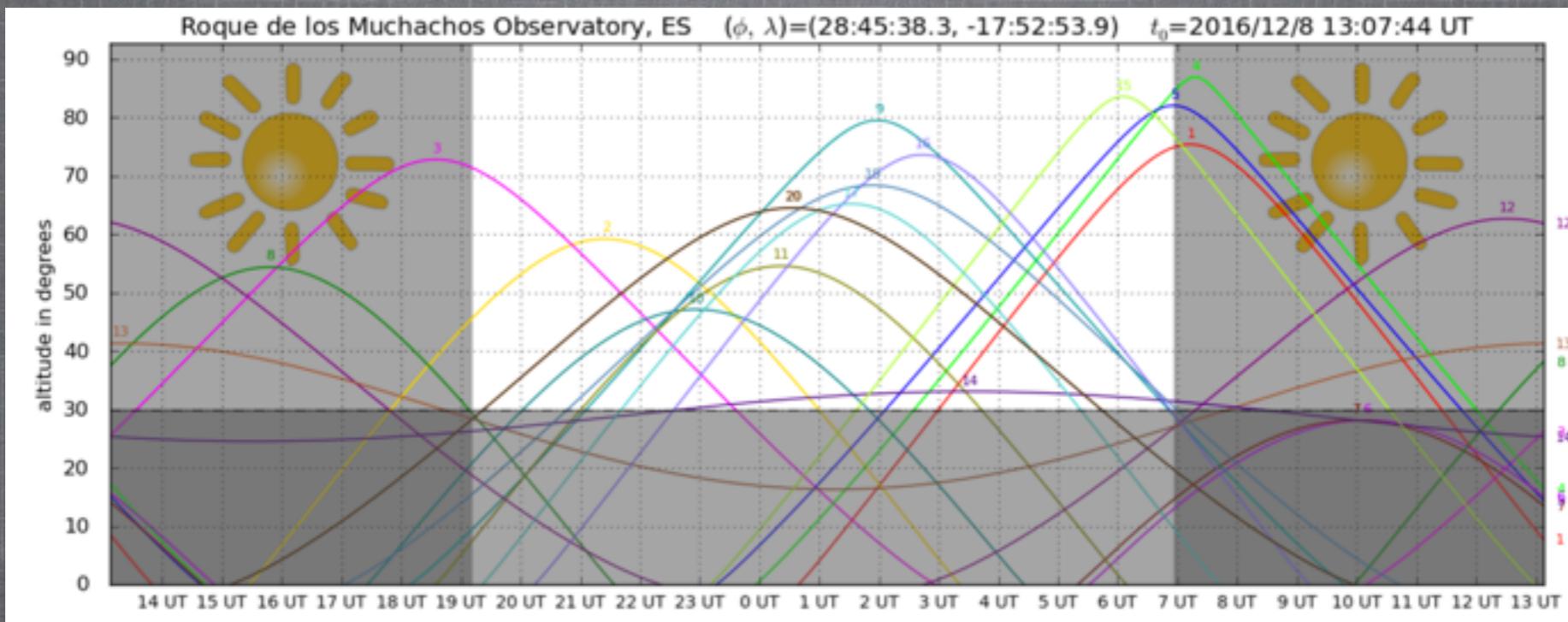
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# OBSERVATION PLANNING TOOL

[www.astrouw.edu.pl/~kulaczyk/ephem](http://www.astrouw.edu.pl/~kulaczyk/ephem)



# FOLLOW-UP CALIBRATION SERVER

[gsaweb.ast.cam.ac.uk/followup/](http://gsaweb.ast.cam.ac.uk/followup/)

## Welcome to the Cambridge Photometry Calibration Server (CPCS)

Logged as admin

[Login](#) into the system

[List of alerts \(observed only\)](#)

[List of followup data](#)

[List of observatories](#)

[Upload](#) new followup data

[Enter](#) new event

[Delete](#) a followup point from the system

## Admin stuff

[Add](#) a new user into the system

[Update](#) the coordinates of an alert

Last data upload was done on Thu Aug 14 15:47:16 2014 for ivo://asassn/ASASSN-14bb

[Logout](#)

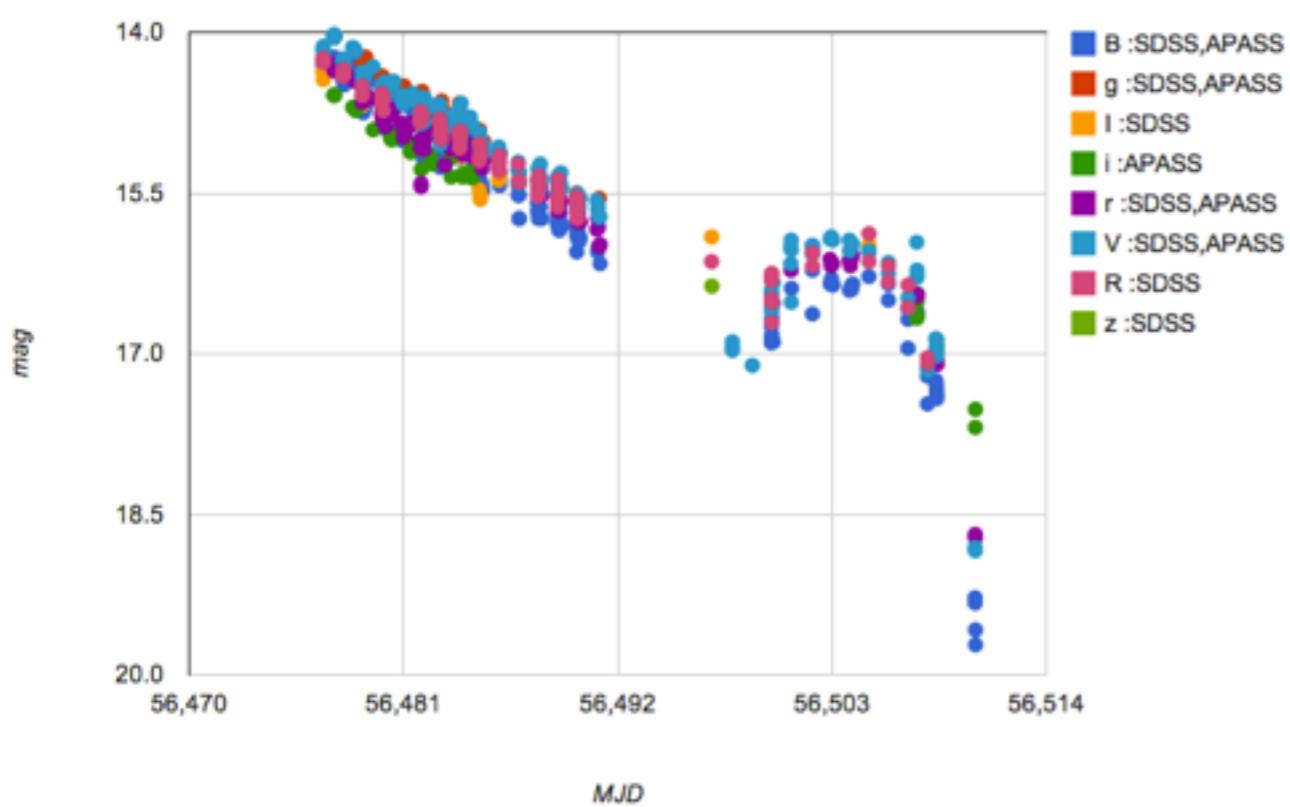
[Manual](#)

designed by Sergey Koposov and LW

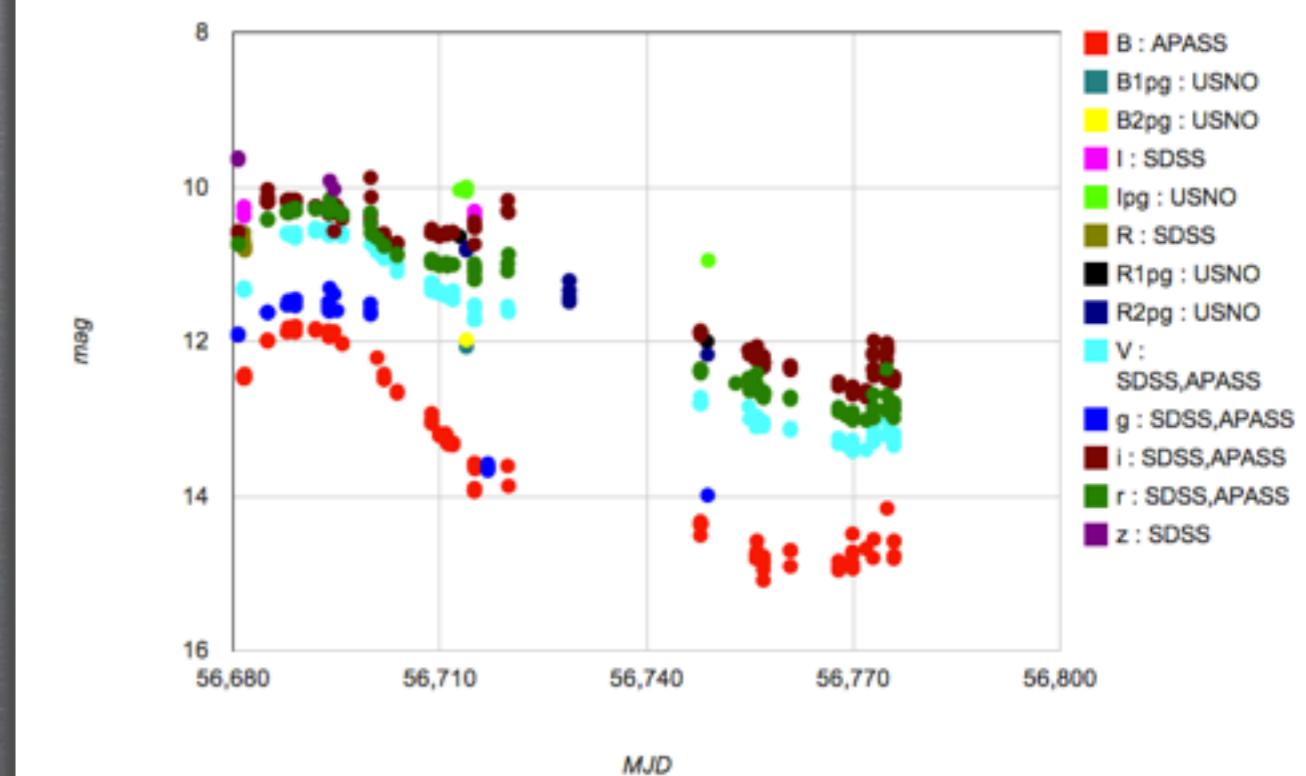
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Light curve of ivo://asassn/ASASSN-13ax

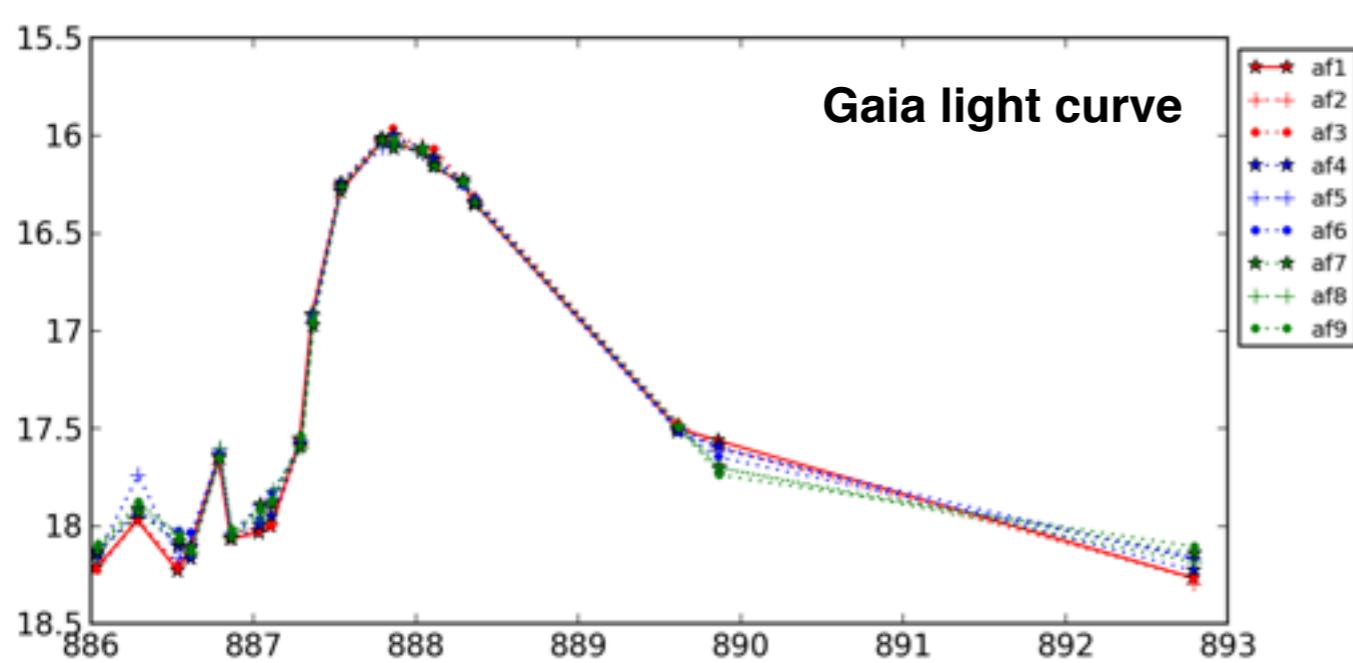


Light curve of ivo://2014J



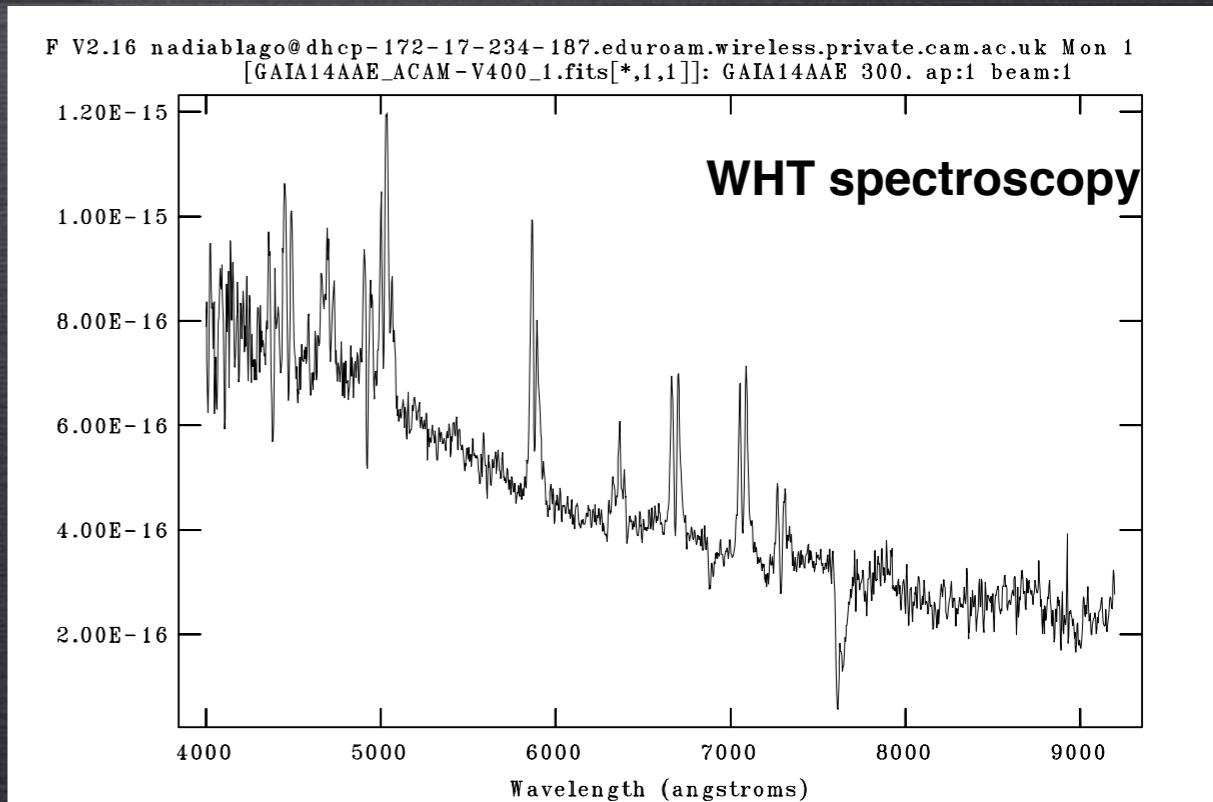
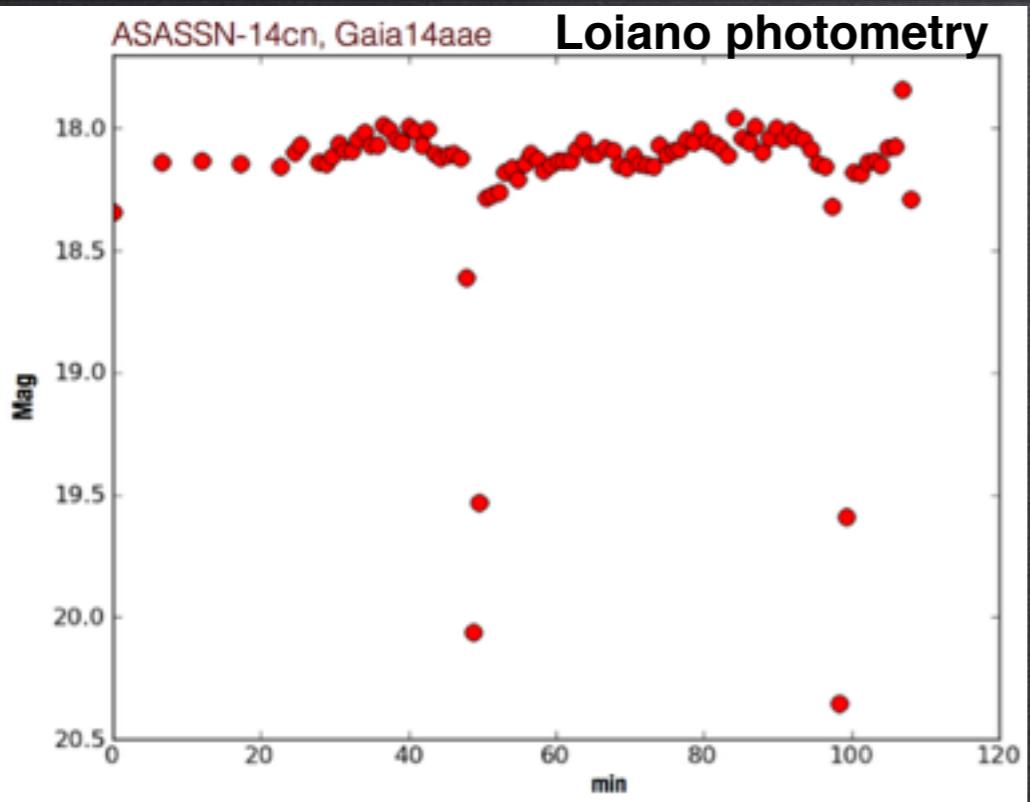
# AM CVN-TYPE TRANSIENT

Gaia14aae



- very rare class of CVs (3rd!)
- candidate SN Ia progenitor
- WD accretes He material from another WD

Period 49.71 min  
 $M_1 \geq 0.782 \text{ MSun}$ ,  $T_1=13000$   
 $M_2 \geq 0.015 \text{ MSun}$

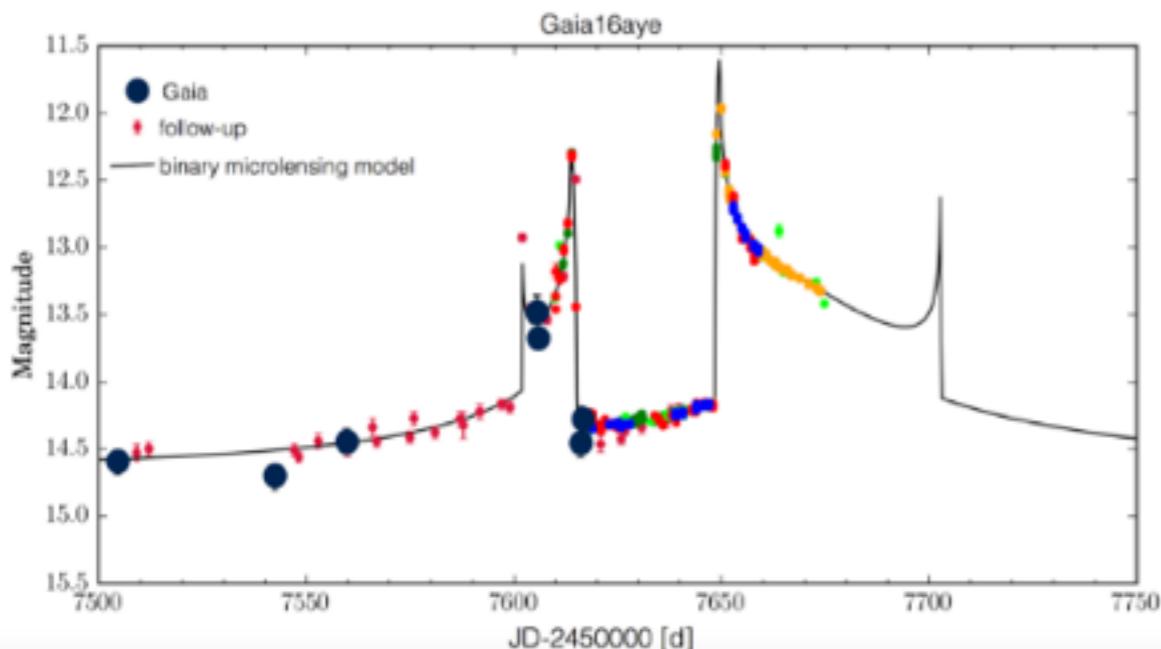


# GAIA16AYE (AYERS ROCK)

First binary microlensing event outside of the Galactic Bulge  
Follow-up was essential!

## IMAGE OF THE WEEK

### FOLLOW-UP OPPORTUNITY OF A RARE MICROLENSING EVENT



Light curve of the microlensing event Gaia16aye, composed by data from Gaia (dark spots) and supported by data from ground-based follow-up telescopes (each colour indicates a different observatory). The solid black line shows the current best microlensing model computed by Przemek Mróz. The sharp rises are called caustic crossings as explained in the text below.

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<http://sci.esa.int/jump.cfm?oid=58546>

Images And Videos

GAIA SPIES TWO TEMPORARILY MAGNIFIED STARS  
27 October 2016

While scanning the sky to measure the position of over one billion stars in our Galaxy, ESA's Gaia satellite has detected two rare instances of stars whose light was temporarily boosted by other celestial objects passing across their lines of sight. One of these stars is expected to brighten again soon. Gaia's measurements will be instrumental to learn more about the nature of these 'cosmic magnifying glasses'.

The figure shows a light curve titled "Gaia 16aye". The y-axis is labeled "Magnitude" and ranges from 11.5 to 15.5. The x-axis is labeled "Date (2016)" and shows months from May to December. Data points are represented by colored dots: blue for Gaia and red for ground-based observations. A solid black line represents the "binary microlensing model". The plot shows two distinct brightness peaks corresponding to the caustic crossings observed in the first plot.

Light curve of binary microlensing event detected by Gaia. Credit: ESA/Gaia/DPAC, P. Mróz, L. Wyrzykowski, K.A. Rybníkář (Warshaw)

[http://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/gaia/IoW\\_20161027](http://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/gaia/IoW_20161027)

<http://sci.esa.int/gaia/58546-gaia-spies-two-temporarily-magnified-stars/>

Involves AAVSO (US), amateurs from Italy, schools via LCOGT / Cardiff.  
Will add German amateurs associations.

will be published as a scientific paper soon

# H2020

## TDA WP13 WORKFORCE

Warsaw University

*Dr hab. Łukasz Wyrzykowski*

+PDRA 4yrs

Liverpool John Moores University

*Prof. Iain Steele*

+PDRA 2yrs

Cambridge University

*Prof. Gerry Gilmore*

+PDRA 3yrs

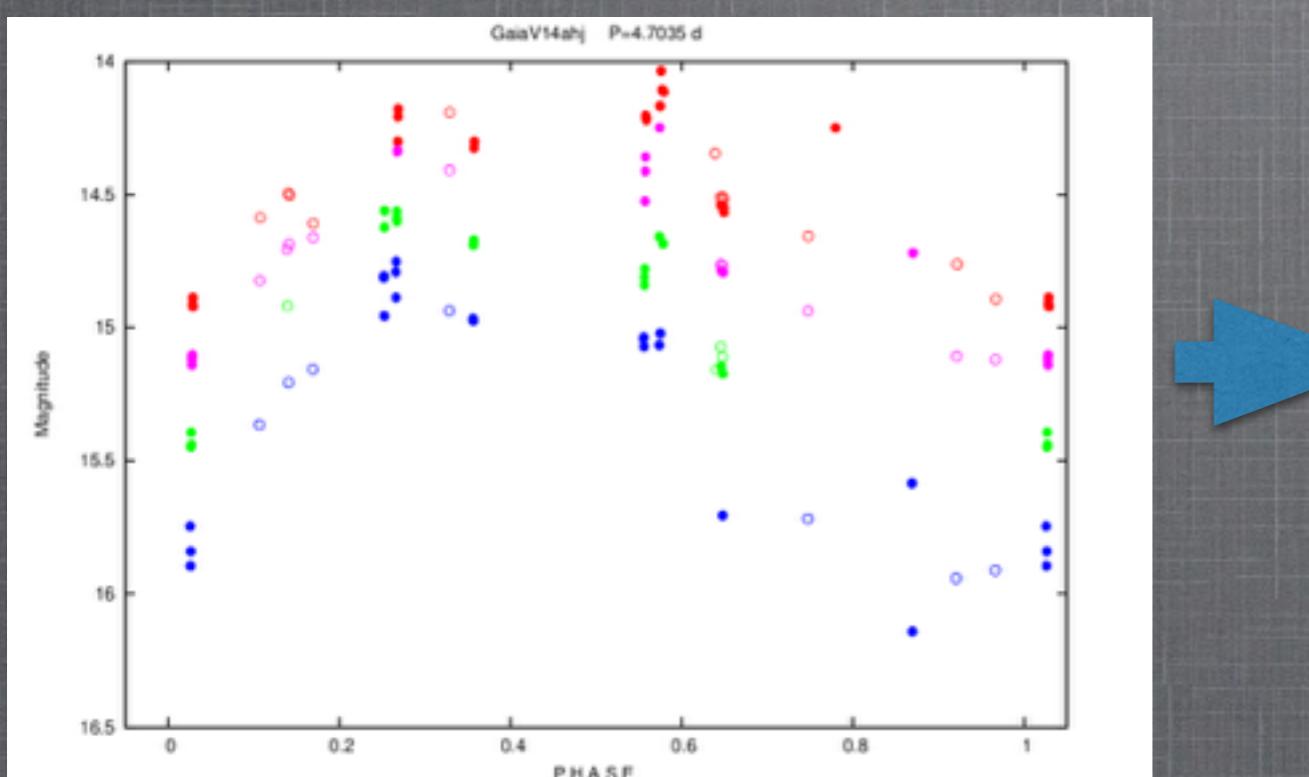
SRON, NL

*Dr Peter Jonker*

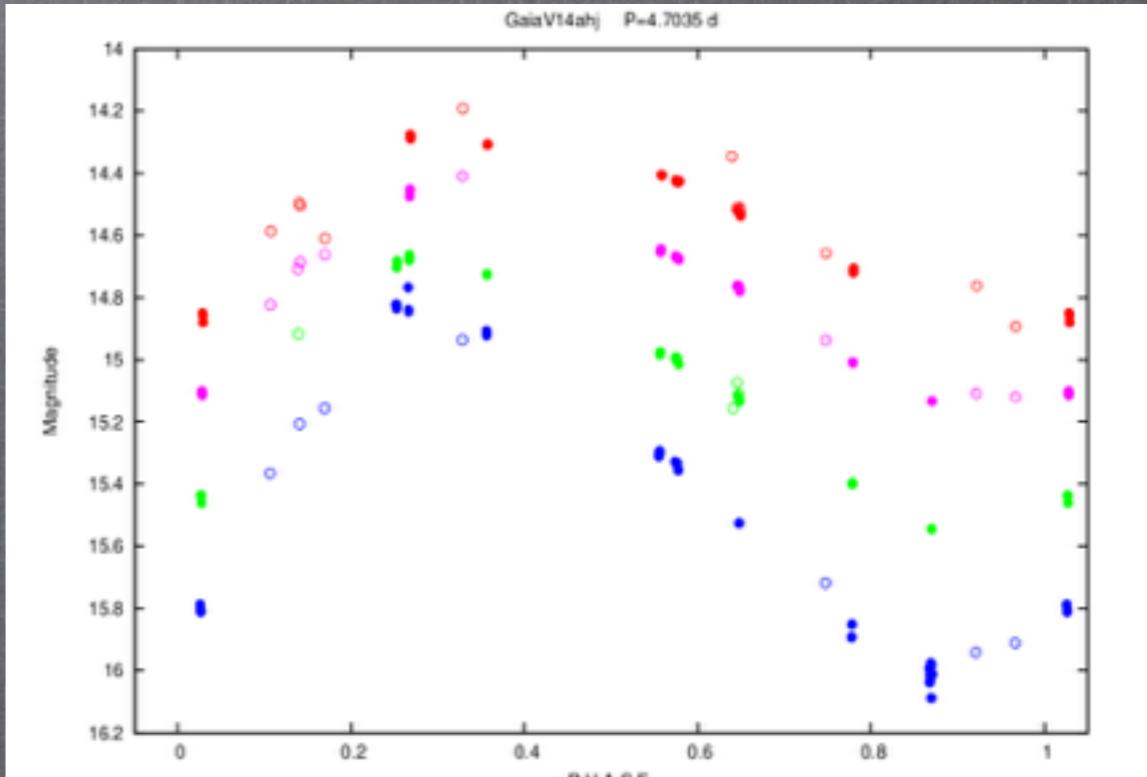
# CALIBRATION SERVER 2.0

from image to science ready light curves!

current reductions



new reductions



photometry.net SPECIAL

For Sale: Make a Free Offer

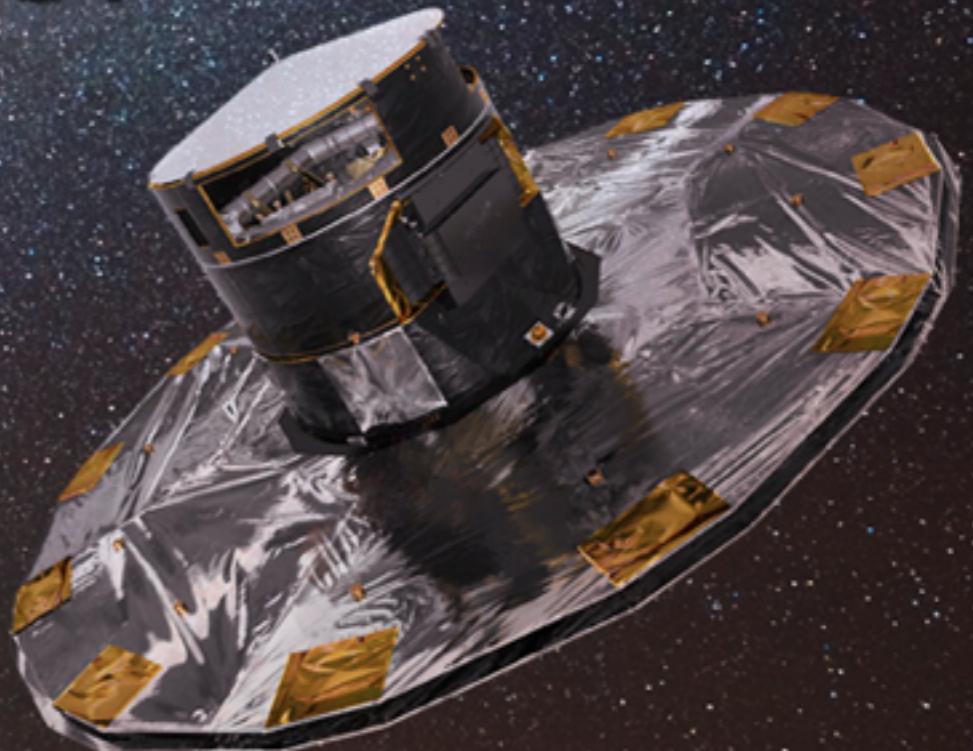
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# H2020 TASKS

- network management (webpages, mailing groups, workshops)
- integrate network to a “single observatory” with centralised open access data
- manage observing time on robotic telescopes in TNA
- coordinate science goals: recognise interesting targets for time-domain, provide platform between scientists and the network
- develop fully automated clever data reduction system: from an image to science-ready light curve/spectrum
- encourage robotisation of European small telescopes
- design SPRAT-lite spectrograph: cheaper, modular to fit any 1-2m class telescope



# THANK YOU!



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