TAC Report S24B & S25A

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S25A (& S24B) Summary

- Submitted proposals: 132 (134)
 - including 3 (1) intensive program
- Approved proposals: 54 (55)
 - including 1 (1) intensive program
- Oversubscription rate: 2.4 (2.4)
- Night requested: 365.5 (301.6)
- Night approved: 97.40 (89.95)
 - New intensive: 5 (1.3)
 - Continuing intensive: 9.8 (6)
- Oversubscription rate: 3.8 (3.4)

The number of proposals in S10A-S25A



Night basis (S10A-S25A)



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Intensive programs

- Continuing : S24A023I (Currie) 6n (S24B)
- New: S24B080QI (Osato) / 10.6n (total)
- New : S25A0047QI(Momose) / 16.4n (total)

Balance between Normal and Intensive programs







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Science categories

- A1: Solar system
- A2: Extrasolar Planets
- B1: Star Formation and Young Disk, ISM
- B2: Stars and Brown Dwarfs, Stellar Envelope and Activity
- B3: Compact Objects and SNe
- C1: IGM and Abs. Line Systems, Cosmology, Gravitational Lenses, Circumglactic Medium
- C2C: Clusters and Proto-Clusters, Environmental effect on galaxies
- C2G: High-z Galaxies (LAEs. LBGs), High-z Galaxies (others), Nearby Galaxies
- C3: Milky Way, Local Group, Galactic Archaeology
- C4: AGN and QSO Activity



Student programs

Dual anonymous review9/15On-site observation support for the student PI proposals



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Service programs



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Gender bias

- ~S22B
 - unconscious gender-bias
- S23A
 - call for attention to referee
- S23B~
 - Dual anonymous
 - improving?
- S24B & S25A
 - gender-bias, again?



Notes (1/2)

- We previously had many violations of the dual anonymous policy. Now violations have significantly decreased, with only a few cases. Thank you for your cooperation, and let's maintain this improvement in future semesters.
- Science Categories
 - "Extrasolar planets" will be divided into subcategories: "Evolved extrasolar planets", "Young extrasolar planets", and "Planet formation."
 - "Star Formation and Young Disk" will be simplified to "Star Formation."
 - These changes were motivated by a high number of proposals under the "Extrasolar Planets" category, a part of which focuses on planetary formation processes or young systems. Such proposals often have strong relevance to those dealing with star formation and young disks.
 - These changes aim to improve the review process.

Notes (2/2, about PFS)

- In S25A, PFS proposals were evaluated based on observation times adjusted for the additional "Trace overhead due to fiber throughput variation" and the "Additional evaluation to support cosmic-ray removal by the 2D DRP." Accepted proposals were determined using corrected times provided by the observatory.
- The review process followed the same referee scoring system used for other instruments.
 - It was completed within the expected allocation of 3 PFS runs and 3 HSC runs in S25A.
- PFS Community Filler
 - We introduced a mutual review process for the first time, with 10 submissions—all galaxyrelated. Each submission was reviewed by three randomly assigned referees (the other PIs of the filler proposals), with efforts to limit the number of student PIs as reviewers.
 - Due to an error in the criteria setup, referees were only asked to provide scores without comments. We'll address this issue in the next review cycle.

S24B-S25A Summary

- The decrease in competition has bottomed out, but the low competition rate has continued.
- Two new intensive proposals have been approved, bringing the total to three ongoing projects.
- The science categories have been changed.
 - Extrasolar Planets → Evolved Extrasolar Planets、Young Extrasolar Planets、Planet Formation
 - Star Formation and Young Disk \rightarrow Star Formation
- The first Open Use of PFS.
 - The competition rate is similar to that of other instruments.
 - The review was conducted based on adjusted time, accounting for overheads and the instrument's status.
 - A mutual review was conducted under the Community Filler program.