

TAC report

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Review Process

Grouping 17 Categories into 8 groups ($\sim 20 \pm 10$ proposals/group)

A-1: Solar System, Extrasolar Planets

B-1: Normal Stars

B-2: Star and Planet Formation, ISM

B-3: Compact Objects and SNe,

C-1: Clusters of Galaxies, LSS, G-Lenses, Cosmological Param.

C-2: High-z Galaxies

C-3: Milky way, Local Group, Nearby Galaxies

C-4: AGN and QSO Activity, QSO Absorption lines and IGM
(Miscellaneous)

Basically 5 referees for each group (2-3 foreign referees)

Research fields, observation/theory, recent activity...

One (or 20% fraction) UK referee for “FMOS-favored” group

Review Process

Selection

- TAC review

- Referee scores and comments

- Technical comments from SS

- Requested nights

- Continuation

- Bad luck proposals (bad weather)

- Challenging / high-risk high-return

- Thesis work

- International proposal fraction

 - (S00-S06B: $\sim 10 \pm 5\%$, S07A-S09A: $\sim 16\%$, S09B: **27%**, S10A: **23%**)

- Keck/Gemini Time Exchange Program (Keck: $\leq 2 + \leq 4$ nights, Gemini: **5-10** nights)

- Scheduling

Service proposals

- Reviewed by TAC members (3 reviewers for each proposal)

- Carry out based on scores and sky conditions

- Rank A (high priority) / Rank B (lower priority)

When preparing proposals...

Please carefully read “Call for Proposals” first!!

Human friendly (human readable at least) SJ

Font size: 10 point or larger even in the figure caption or in the reference (call for proposals)

Margin: at least 15 mm at each of the four sides (call for proposals)

Appropriate line spacing

Figure size and quality

Color figures

Color figures can be included

No guarantee for print in proper colors by referees

See also the poster “Open Use Q&A” (P09)

Accepting Intensive Proposal as Normal

Call for proposals (Intensive Program):

1. REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

1. Intensive Programs may use any instruments...
2. Identical or very similar proposals should not be...
- 3. Even if your proposal is submitted as an Intensive Program, it is possible to be accepted as a Normal Program.**
4. There will be an Oral Review of Intensive Program...
5. The PIs of accepted Intensive Program proposals...
6. Reports of each accepted Intensive Program must be...

“Item 3” will be removed from call for proposal for not encouraging “normal-size” intensive programs
(policy or rule is not changed)

Long Term (over-semester) Program?

Normal Program

≤5 nights / semester

Intensive Program

6-10 nights / semester, ≤ 20 nights / 4 semesters

Case: Monitor a target object every month over 5 months,
requesting 5 nights in total

if the target is visible in Sept-Jan

=> Normal Program

if the target is visible only in Dec-Apr (over semesters)

=> (Intensive Program)

New category such as “Long Term Program”?
or TAC’s discretion?

S10B Schedule (plan)

mid Feb Call for proposals

Mar 12 Normal/Intensive Submission Deadline

Apr 9 Service Submission Deadline

early Jun Report of Results to PIs

Aug 1 S10B Starts

(Telescope downtime: Aug-Sept)