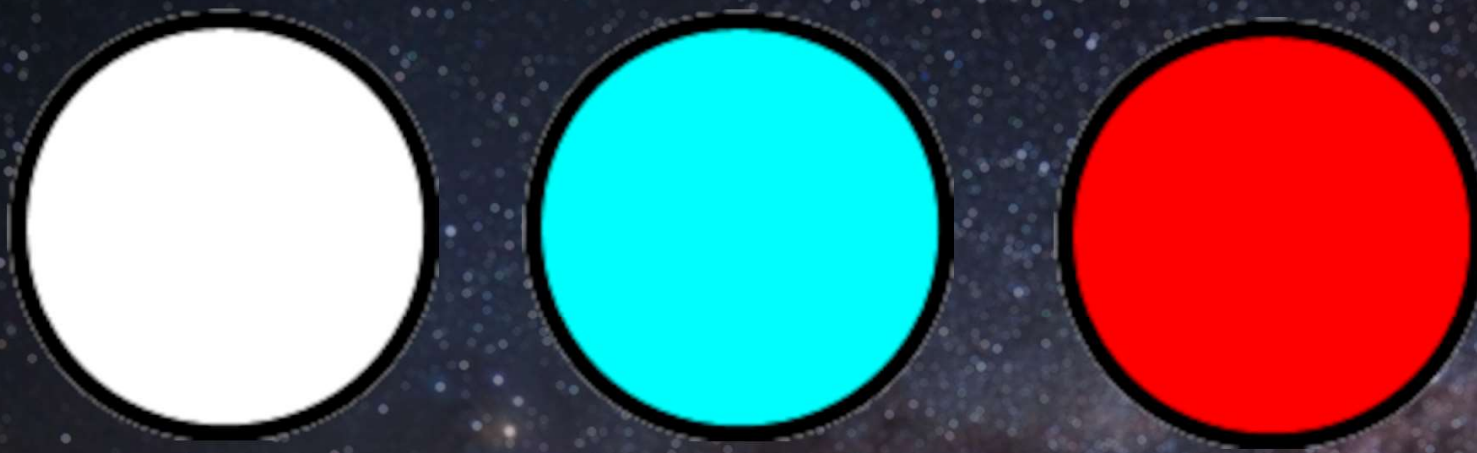




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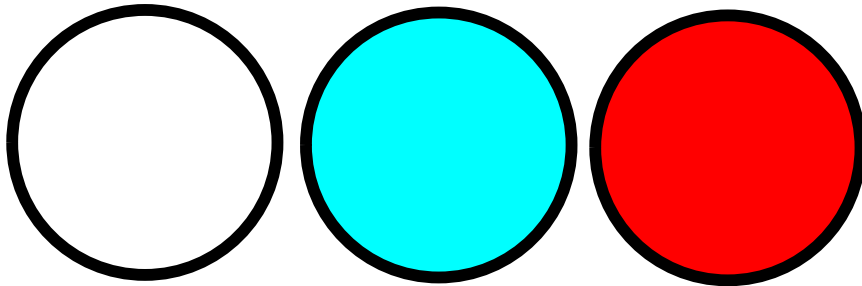
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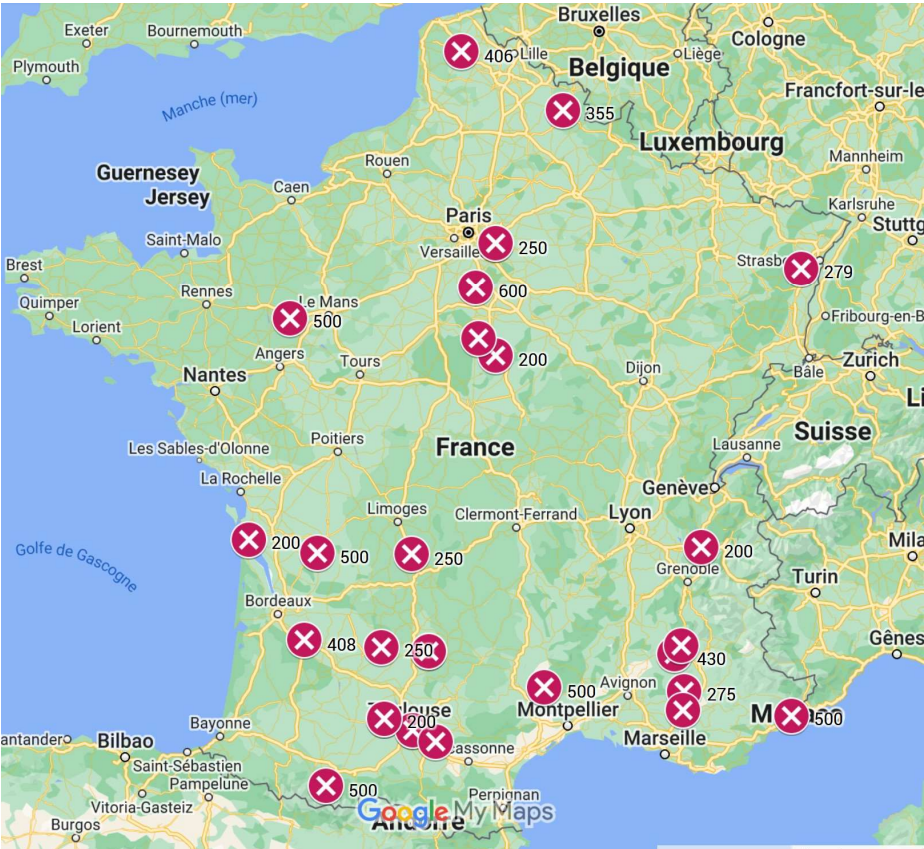
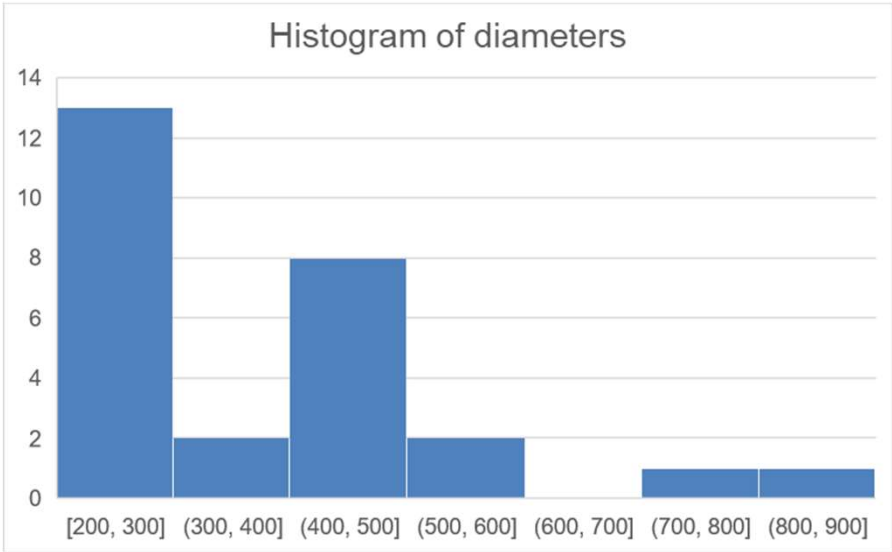
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Needs

Set up of an amateur network interested by science alerts by using: [astrometry](#), [photometry](#) or [spectroscopy](#)

The angular designation often requires a large FOV and deep magnitude search mode with limited exposure. The telescope Figure Of Merit in a search mode could be :

$$\text{telescope FOM} = f(\text{upper lim mag}) \cdot \text{FOV square degree} / \text{exposure mn}$$

Amateurs with their respective observatory spread over wide longitude and latitude ranges and behind independant cloud coverage conditions provide optical search mode to deliver AD and Dec localisation of optical candidates with a classification to allow then photometric or even spectrometric monitoring function. The purpose is then pass the confirmed and characterized alerts to fitted large telescope instruments.

The needs could be summarised in :

- An array of instruments spread over large territory
- Wide Field Of View Instruments 1°^2 and above
- High magnitude detection limit >20 in 1min exposure or assessed lim mag vs exposure
- Unified methodology and uniform photometric data deliveries and low latency to up load data

This could provide an amateur network meeting several alerts prgm requirements

Les instruments amateurs et leur potentiel pour répondre aux alertes

Les instruments amateurs apportent une disponibilité à différentes latitudes et longitudes et différentes conditions météo. La mise en réseau des instruments dans un même système photométrique permet de proposer une homogénéité des acquisitions et mesures en mode recherche et en mode suivi.

Les caractéristiques clefs des instruments en réseaux en mode recherche :

- X : Champ de vue couvert en une trame en degrés carré (atout des instruments amateurs de courte focale et plan focal classe 24x36)
- Y : La limite de magnitude atteinte ou magnitude pour un SNR donné par trame
- Z : Temps d'exposition de la trame élémentaire en minute

Les paramètres XYZ définissent une figure de mérite :

$$Fdm = X \cdot 2,5^{(Y-20)} / Z$$

Exemple : $X=1^\circ^2$, $Y=20$, $Z=1\text{min}$ donne $Fdm = 1$

The Gaia induced idea :

Gaia mission delivers alerts :

- <https://gaiafunssso.imcce.fr/>
- <http://gsaweb.ast.cam.ac.uk/alerts/home>

In addition Gaia provides an updated photometric catalog up to 20-21 magnitude in three wide spectral bands for more than 1.5 Giga objects spread on whole sky. This photometric system may enhance SNR and limiting magnitude of amateur telescopes and allows data reduction with this catalog.

Gaia EDR3 then DR3 are released on June the 13th 2022

Photometric reduction process is made either with :

- Prism V11 with Grappa (EDR3 extracted catalog) and star fitting process
Marc Serrau
- Muniwin
- Astrolmage J and Gaia EDR3 via Vizier

the Gaia photometric catalog

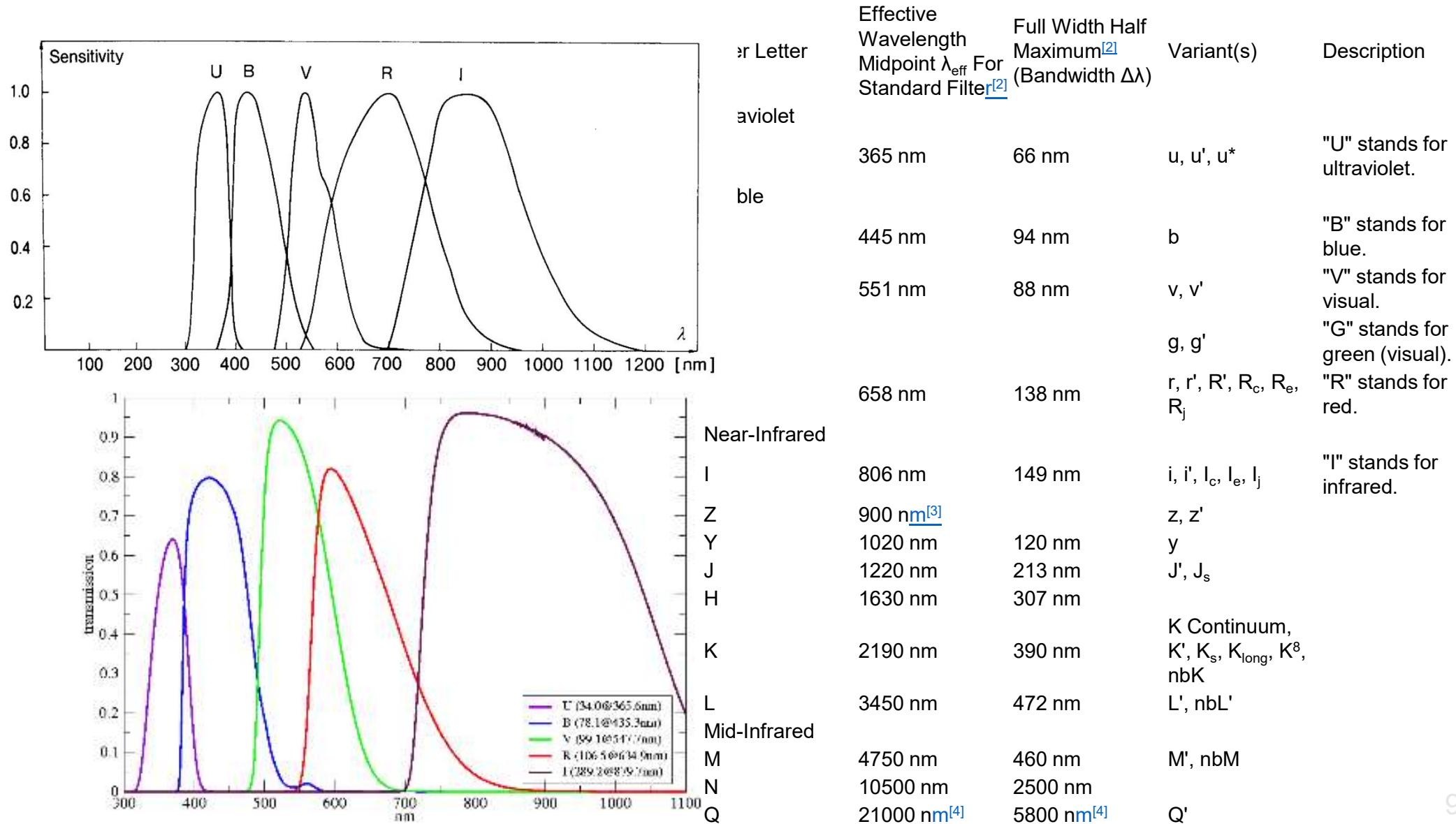
- Gaia DR3 will be released on June 13, 2022 - info from :
<https://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/gaia/data-release-3>
- 1,46 E9 sources complete astrometry up to mag G 21
- 1,806 E9 sources with G photometry
- 1,54 et 1,55 E9 sources with GBP and GRP bands.
- cross reference with other catalogues :
 - Hipparcos-2, Tycho-2 + TDSC merged,
 - 2MASS PSC (2MASS XSC merged),
 - **SDSS DR13**,
 - Pan-STARRS1 DR1, SkyMapper DR2, GSC 2.3, APASS DR9, RAVE DR5, allWISE, URAT-1, et RAVE DR6
- Marc Serrau released Grappa 2 version extract of Gaia EDR3 ready to be plug in Prismv11, CDC, ...

Gaia DR3 catalog accy

- Photometry (G, GBP, and GRP published as part of Gaia EDR3, OTHER DATA ARE NEW IN GAIA DR3)
- The G-band photometric uncertainties are ~ 0.3 mmag for $G < 13$, 1 mmag at $G = 17$, and 6 mmag at $G = 20$ mag.
- The GBP-band photometric uncertainties are ~ 0.9 mmag for $G < 13$, 12 mmag at $G = 17$, and 108 mmag at $G = 20$ mag.
- The GRP-band photometric uncertainties are ~ 0.6 mmag for $G < 13$, 6 mmag at $G = 17$, and 52 mmag at $G = 20$ mag.
- More information on the properties and limitations of the BP/RP spectra will be published closer to the release of Gaia DR3.

Discrepancies between photometric systems

10 From Johnson and Cousins U B V R I J K L M N...



Set of filters used by Am observers

- UBVRI Johnson Cousins, Bessel, Sloan, RGB

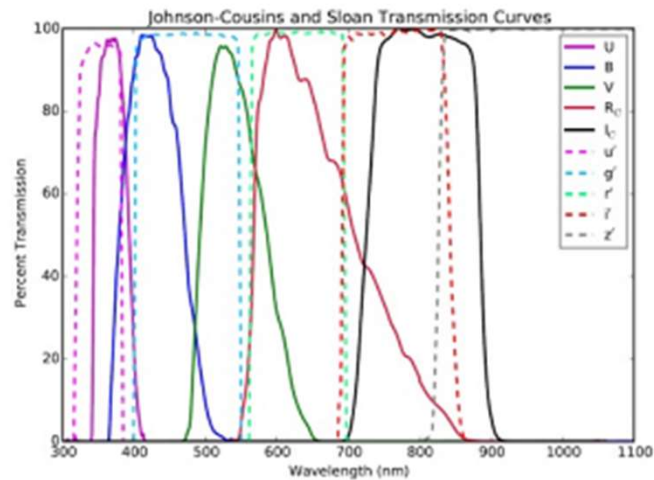
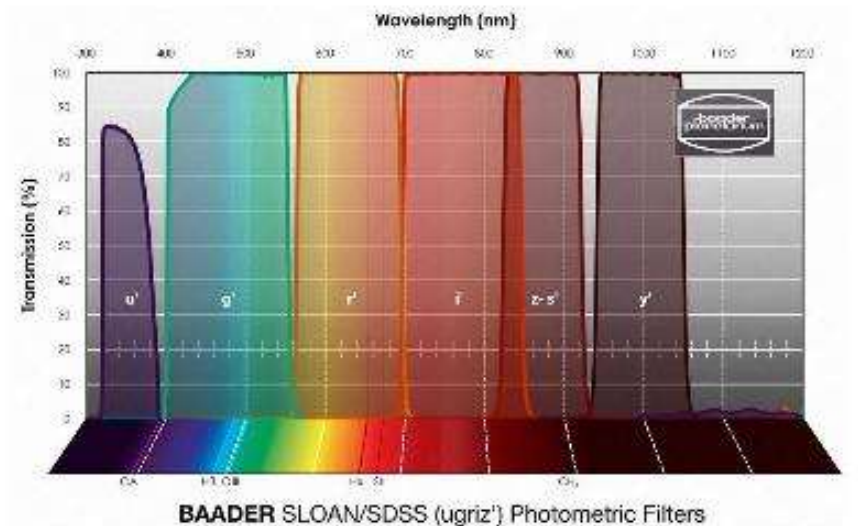
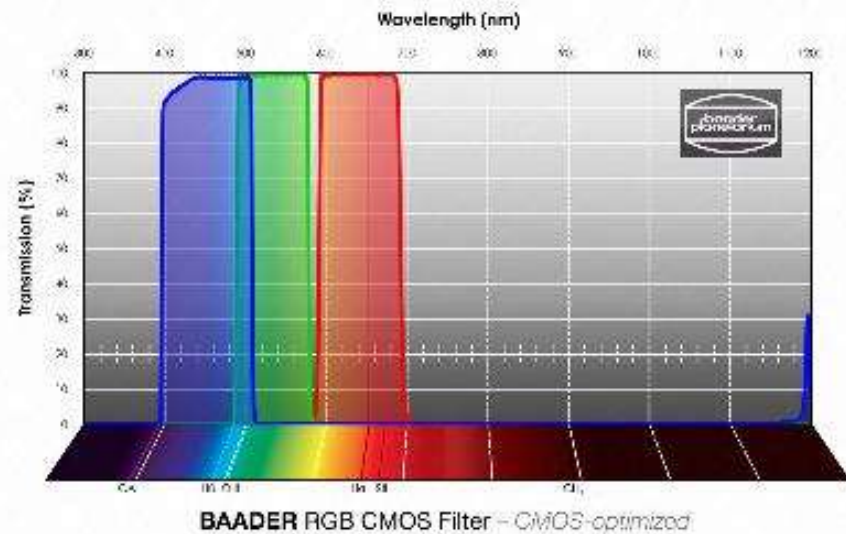
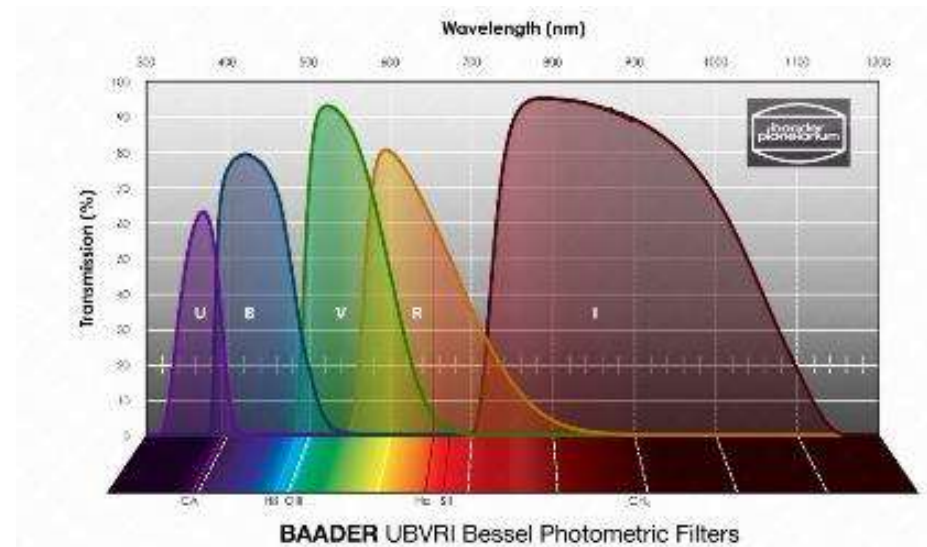
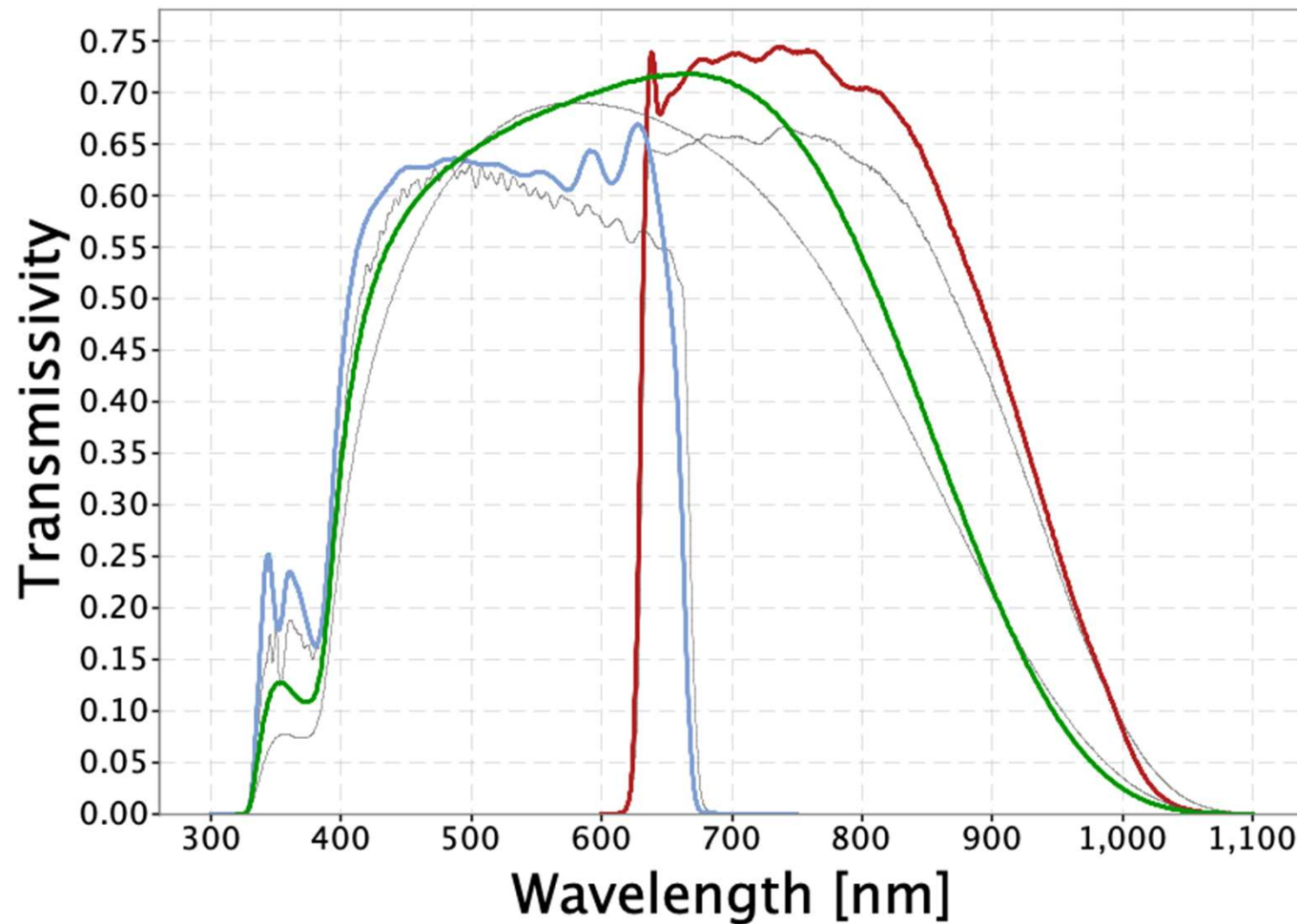


Fig. 4. Astrodon transmission curves for the Johnson-Cousins (UBVR_cI_c) and the Sloan ($ugriz'$) photometric systems.

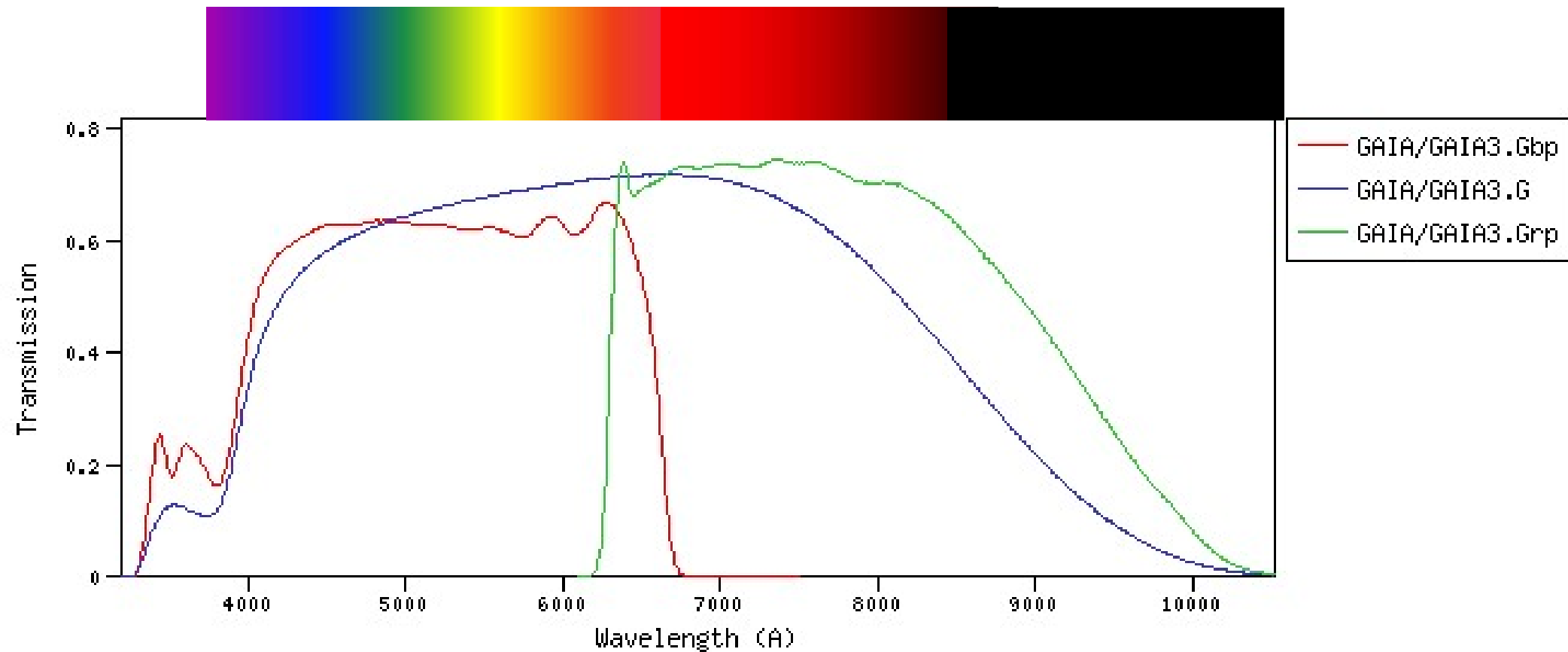


The 3 Gaia photometric bands : G, Gbp et Grp



(Crédits ESA/Gaia/DPAC, P.Montegriffo, F. de Angeli, C. Cacciari)

Promote the [harmonization of the photometric observations](#)



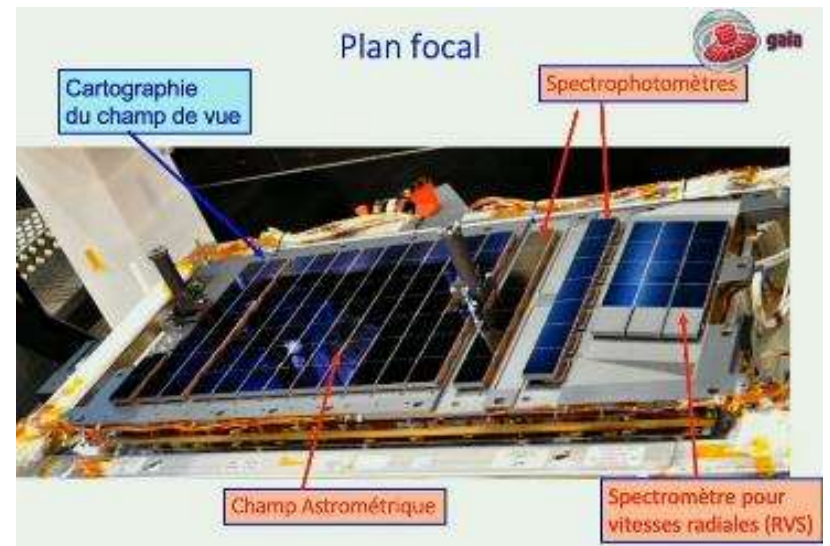
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GAIA/GAIA3.Grp	7769.02	7939.10	7619.96	6196.05	10422.96	2924.44	2554.95	1.27e-9

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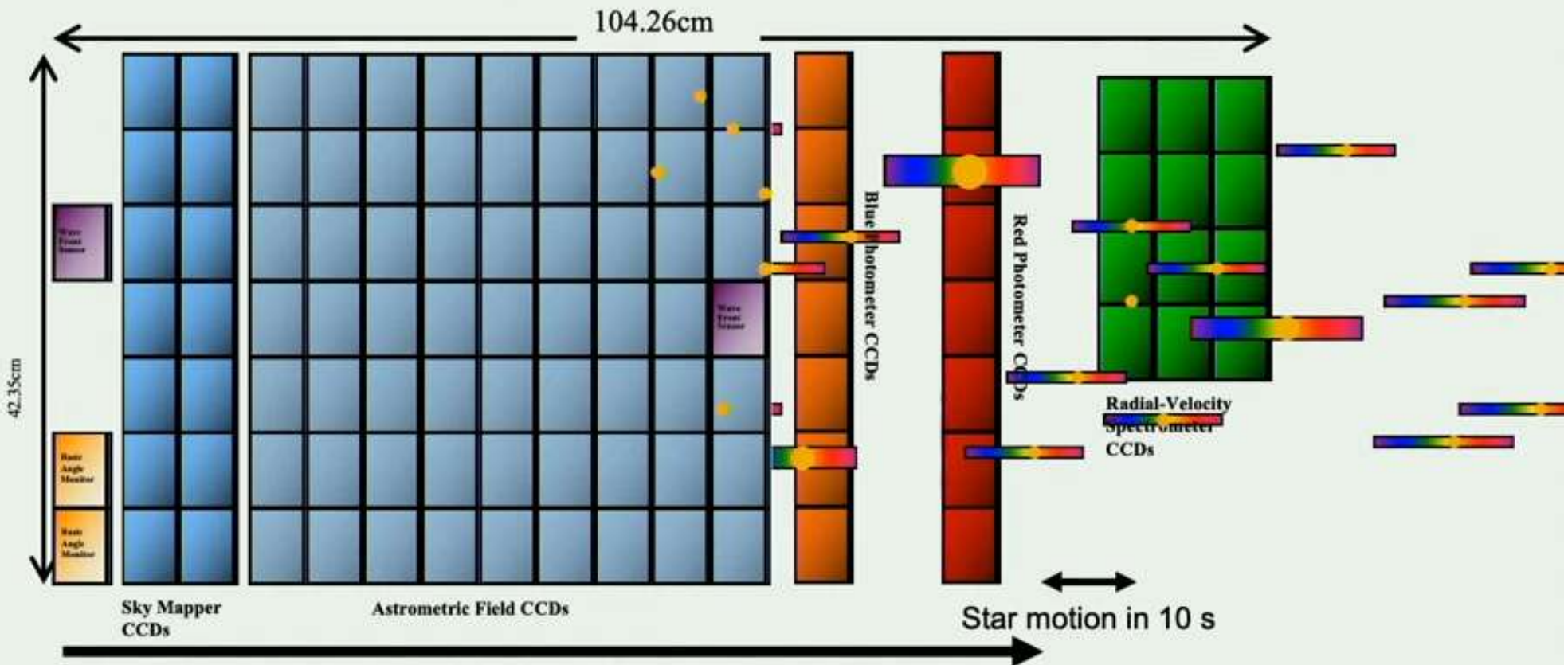
Gaia focal plan array

no filters in front of the fpa

Gbp and Grp are defined by prisms and pixel binning



106 CCDs , 938 million pixels, 2800 cm²



RAPAS filters specs

- ⑩ Gaia bands are defined outside atmosphere
- ⑩ Therefore we have to adapt the filter spectral bands to be less sensitive to air mass
- ⑩ And reduced the QE diversity of CCD and CMOS arrays in the near IR window

Besoin, étude, spécification, conception et réalisation des filtres

Utiliser des filtres harmonisés avec les catalogues

Avoir des catalogues qui monte en magnitude >20

Avoir une couverture du catalogue sur tout le ciel

Limiter l'impact de la hauteur visée ou de la masse d'air sur la bande spectrale

Limiter la sensibilité à la dispersion de réponses des CCD et des matrices CMOS

Maximiser la largeur des bandes spectrales pour gagner en magnitude limite et S/B

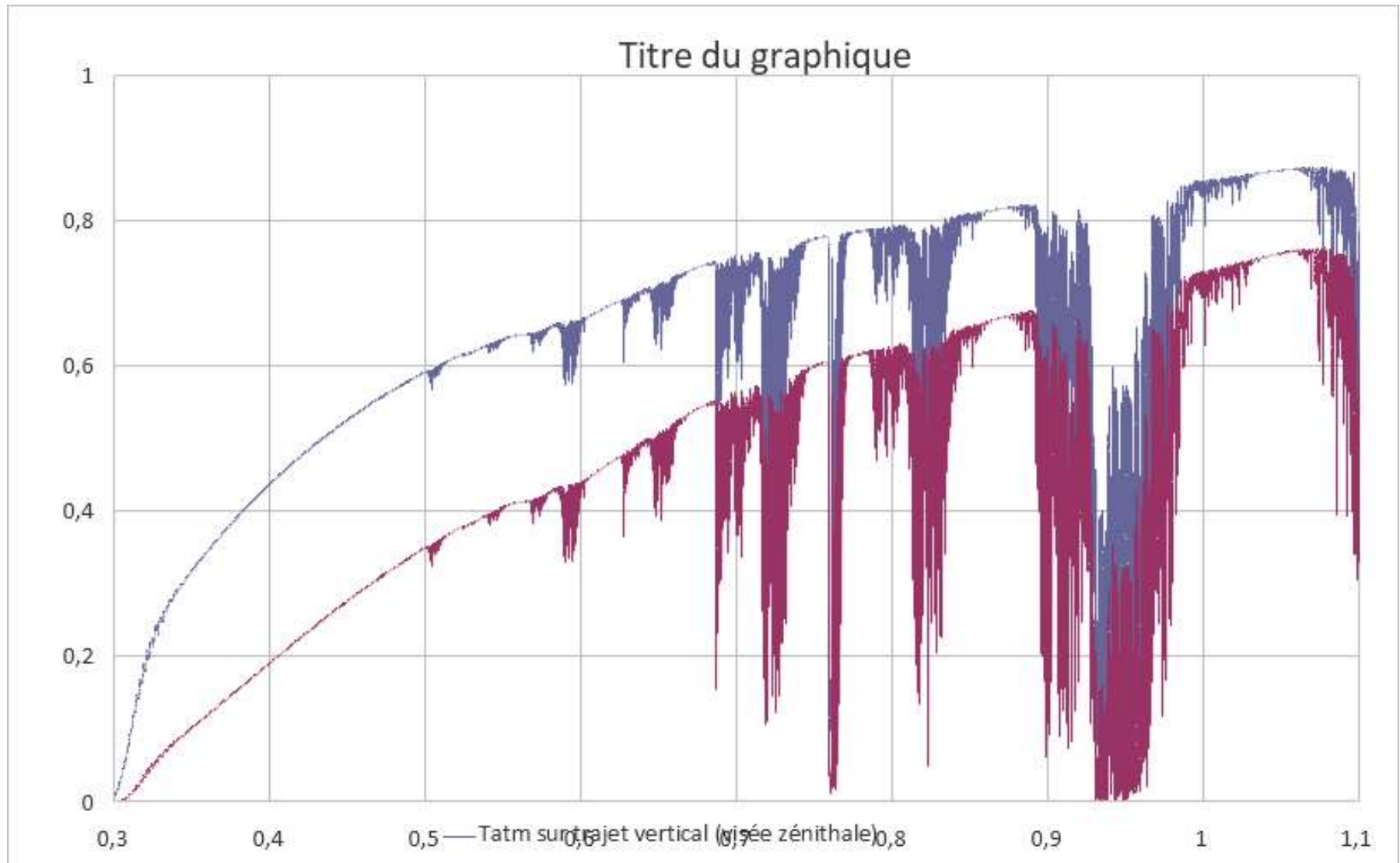
Mesurer un indice de couleur

Limiter le nombre de filtres pour les phases recherches

La définition des bandes spectrales de Gaia et de son catalogue constitue une belle opportunité pour augmenter la performances des instruments amateurs pour délivrer des mesures photométriques et un indice de couleur.

Le catalogue Gaia est idéal par le fait qu'il est constitué hors de l'atmosphère terrestre.

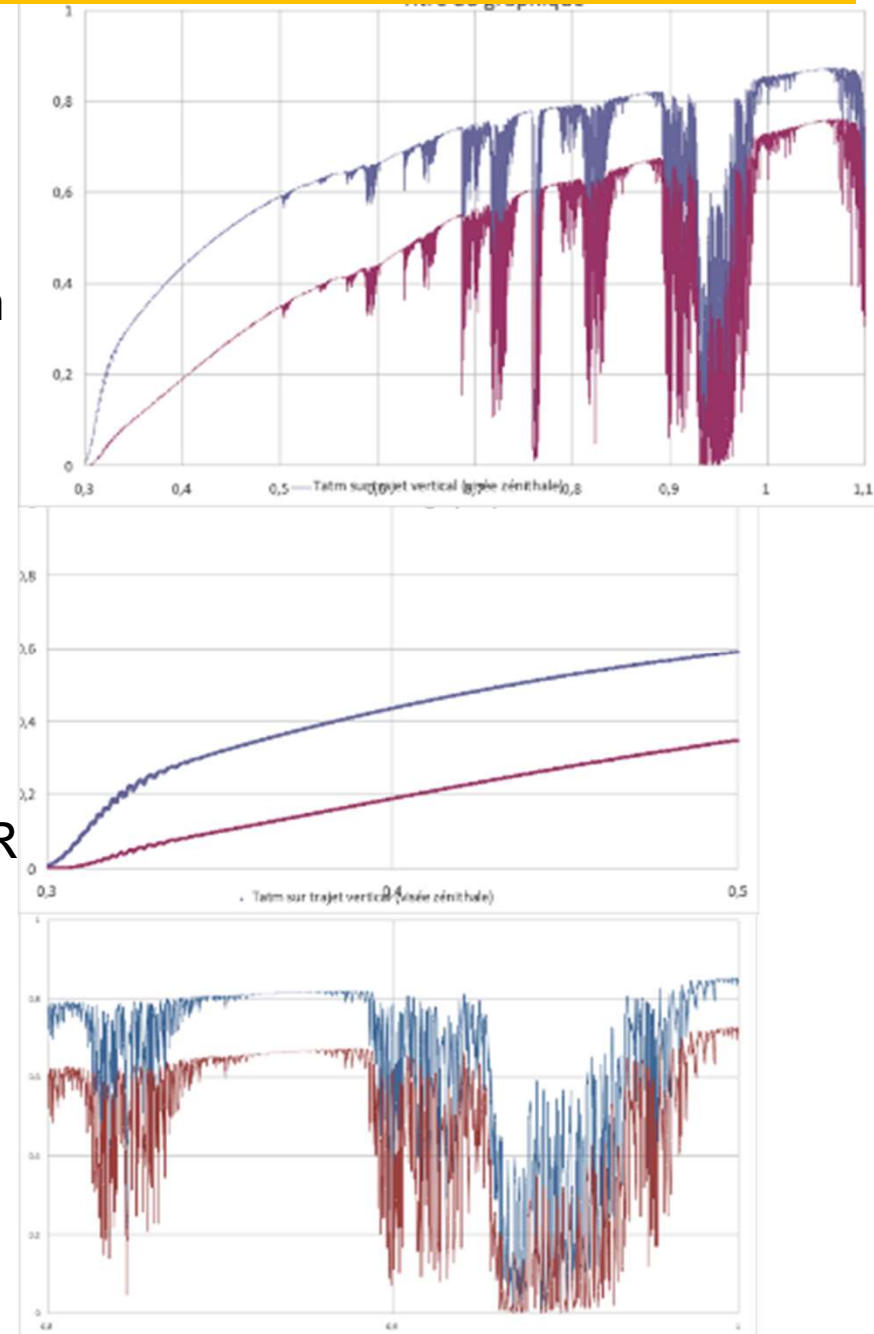
Atmospheric transmission 1 and 2 air mass



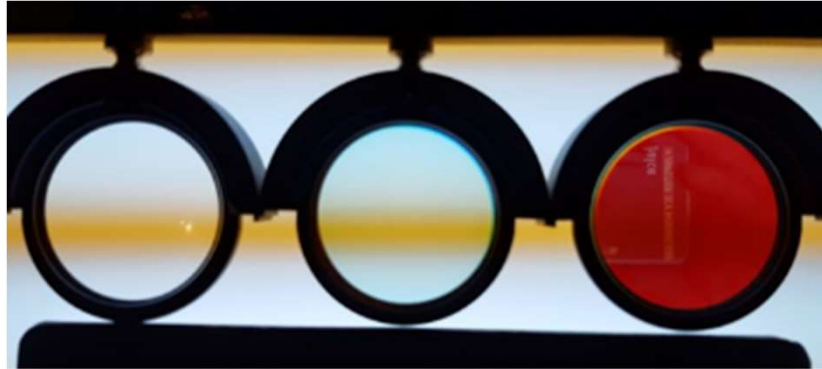
Conception des filtres RAPAS

Les bandes des filtres sont ajustées pour :

- Limiter la sensibilité à la masse d'air : de 1 à 2
- Filtre G un AR large bande rejectant le proche UV
- Filtre Gbp transmission nominale qui débute à 400nm
- Filtre Gbp qui rejette la raie H α
- Filtre Grp transmission nominale qui débute avec la raie H α
- Filtre Grp qui se termine dans les bandes atmosphériques à 950nm
- Filtre Grp qui arrête sa transmission dans le proche IR pour borner la diversité des réponses des CCD et des capteurs CMOS
- Les trois filtres ont la même épaisseur optique



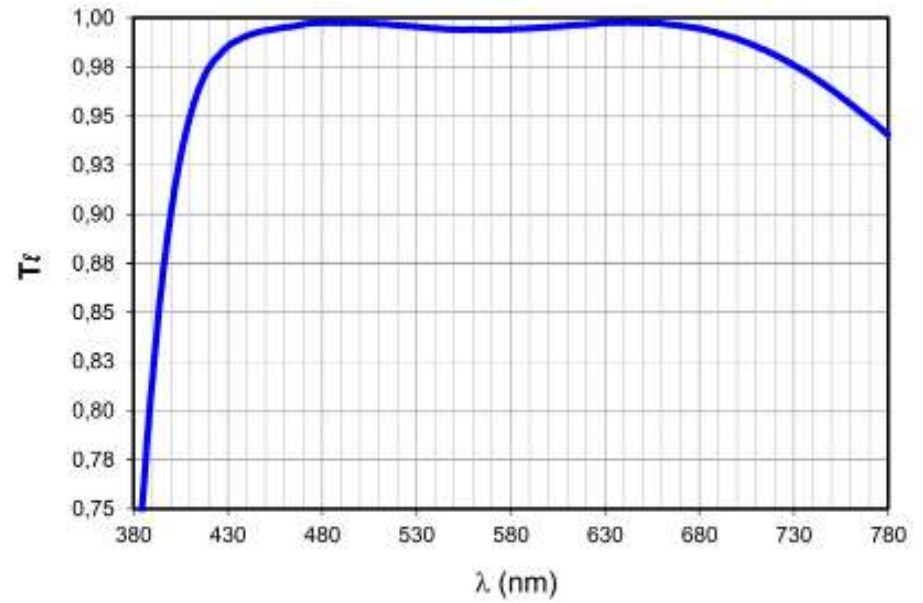
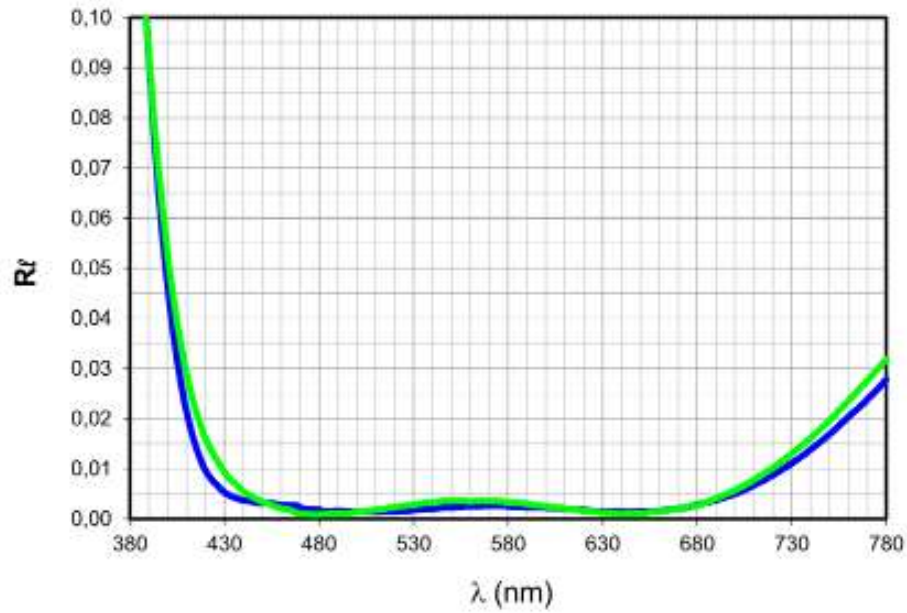
The three RAPAS filters : A, B, C



Pictures of the three filters A, B, C set : in 2022 a first batch of 25 filters set was released

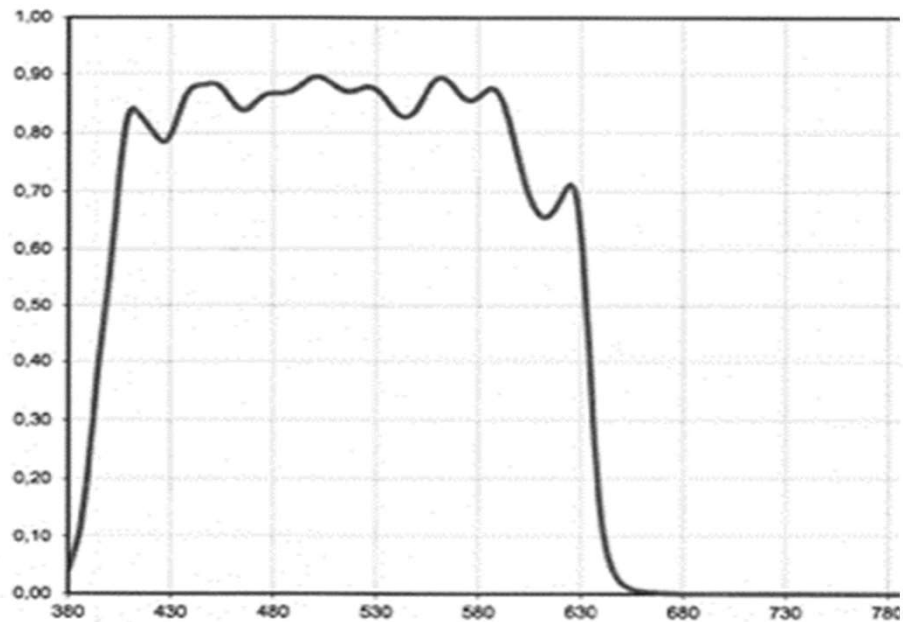
- Packing
- Normal transmission
- Aspect angle transmission
- Reflexion

A Filter (G like)

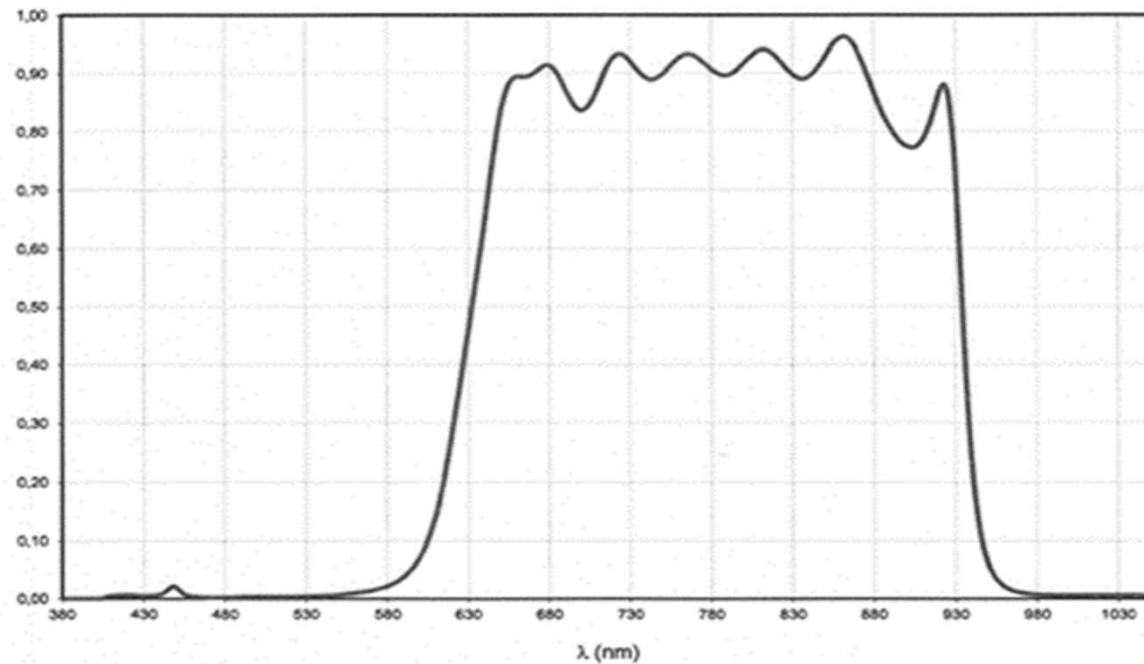


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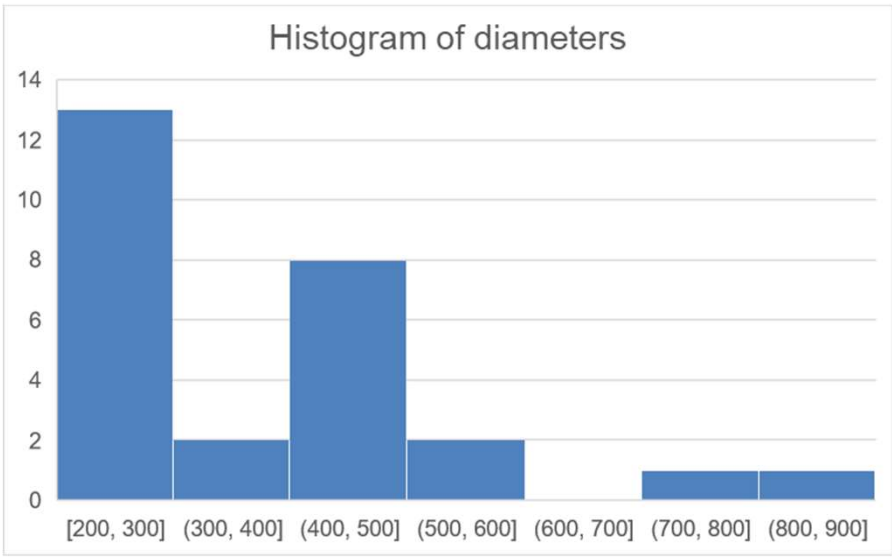
B Filter (Gbp like)



C filter (Grp like)



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Phase de test de son instrument dans le réseau RAPAS

Réaliser des acquisitions des mêmes champs de référence

- 1.Acquisition de champs de références sans filtre et avec les trois filtres RAPAS A, B et C
 - 1.en 60s d'exposition
 - 2.et avec l'exposition la plus longue
 - 3.Ou en stacking d'images
- 2.Extraction, localisation et mesure des flux des étoiles par exemple avec Prism V11
- 3.Utilisation de l'utilitaire de Marc Serrau
- 4.Comparaison des flux collectés et des magnitudes du catalogue Gaia G pour connaître sa linéarité, magnitude limite et dispersion des mesures

Histogramme du nombre d'étoiles

Construction du nuage de la magnitude extraite des images vs magnitude du catalogue Gaia pour chaque filtre A avec G, B avec Gbp, C avec Brp, mesure des résidus par telescope et de tout le réseau RAPAS

Calculer sa figure de mérite effective

Renseigner l'entête FITS

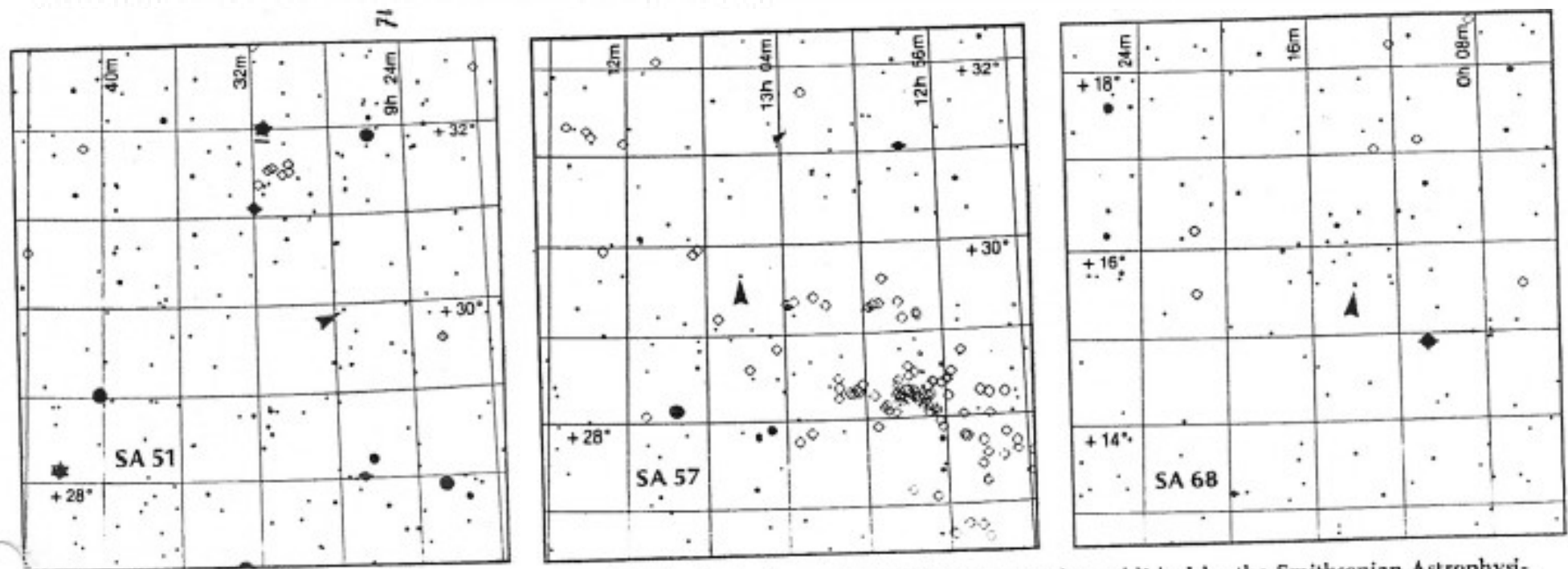
L'entête FITS est à renseigner au moins partiellement sans erreur :

- Origine : le nom de l'observatoire
- La date de l'observation, du début de la pose
 - Pour les astéroïdes datation avec 1s de précision
 - Pour les géo croiseurs datation avec <1s de précision
- La durée de l'exposition en s
- Le filtre RAPAS est à dénommer :
 - G Gaia RAPAS V1
 - Gbp Gaia RAPAS V1
 - Grp Gaia RAPAS V1
- RA et Dec dans le champs de l'image
- Pixel en μm et focale

Utiliser fits verify éventuellement

PRIMARY STAR IN EACH SELECTED AREA

Area	Star	Mag.	1950.0	2000.0
SA 51	SAO 79445	9.1	7h 27.5m, +29° 56'	7h 30.6m, +29° 50'
SA 57	SAO 82672	8.1	13h 6.3m, +29° 39'	13h 8.6m, +29° 23'
SA 68	SAO 91810	8.2	0h 14.0m, +15° 34'	0h 16.6m, +15° 50'



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Phase de test sur le ciel sur 5 champs :

Champs	Alpha	Delta J2000	passage au méridien
SA68	0h 16m 36s	15°50'	du 3 août au 3 janvier
SA 51	7h 30m 36s	29°50'	du 24 octobre au 24 mars
SA 57	13h 08m 36s	29°23'	du 30 décembre au 25 juin
Vega	18h 36m 56s	38°47'	du 25 avril au 25 septembre
Pôle Nord J2000		90°00'	toute l'année

Selectionnez votre configuration instrumentale (réducteur de champ, capteur et camera...) permettant de délivrer le plus grand champ ($1^\circ \times 1^\circ$ ou plus souhaité pour les recherches ou 15 arc min de côté au minimum), avec une exposition unique de 60s, et pour des expositions plus longues ou avec une accumulation de trames permettant d'atteindre votre magnitude limite.

Pour Vega il s'agit de réaliser trois expositions non saturées pour vérifier les paramètres photométriques pour un indice de couleur nul dans le système A0.

Selected areas to assess magnitude upper limit

Edgar Everhart Sky&Telescope Jan 1984

Finding Your Telescope's Magnitude Limit

EDGAR EVERHART, Chamberlin Observatory, University of Denver

HOW FAINT will it reach? This is a question that often comes to mind when considering a telescope or camera to be turned toward the heavens. While there are numerous tables that cite the limiting stellar magnitude for a given telescope aperture (see, for example, page 193 of the March, 1980, issue), in practice this limit is affected by many factors.

The condition and number of optical surfaces in a system will affect perform-

ance, as will light pollution and other atmospheric effects. For the observer, the physical condition of the eye is important, while photographers must consider such factors as film, filters, exposure times, and developing methods.

Therefore, in order to determine the limiting magnitude of a particular instrument, it is best to observe or photograph the sky directly. This calls for some type of star atlas or chart showing the magni-

tudes of selected stars. But herein lies the problem: Even binoculars and short exposures with small cameras will reveal stars fainter than those plotted in Wil Tirio's *Sky Atlas 2000.0* (limiting magnitude 8 or *The AAVSO Variable Star Atlas* (lit. about 9.0).

For fainter magnitudes there are the *Vehrenberg Atlas of the Selected Areas* and charts for certain variable stars prepared by the American Association of V-

Star Observers. Both include stars to about 16th magnitude — adequate for visual observers working with instruments up to nearly 30-inch aperture. But photographers can reach even fainter stars with surprisingly modest equipment.

Sixty years ago, the famous 16-inch (0.4-meter) Metcalf camera at Harvard Observatory was recording stars to magnitude 16. Today, however, advances in emulsions and hypersensitizing techniques make it possible for the same size telescope to photograph stars of 21st magnitude. Smaller telescopes can easily reach beyond the 16th-magnitude limit of the charts mentioned above.

Large observatories have special methods for calibrating photographic plates and determining the magnitudes of faint stars on them. The photographs described and reproduced here will be useful for smaller observatories and advanced amateurs, as they contain accurate star brightnesses down to 21st magnitude.

The magnitudes marked on the photographs are from a paper by L.-T. G. Chiu published in the *Astrophysical Journal Supplement* for September, 1980. Chiu was studying the structure of our galaxy as he was studying the proper motions of stars. For this work he used numerous photographs made in blue, yellow, and red light with the giant reflectors at Lick, Kitt Peak, and Palomar observatories. Chiu credits L. R. King and co-workers at the University of California, Berkeley, for the

photovisual magnitudes of the stars. They used an iris photometer calibrated with photoelectric sequences. Photovisual magnitudes do not correspond exactly with what the eye sees but are reasonably close.

Chiu studied stars in Selected Areas (SA) 51, 57, and 68, each nearly centered on an 8th- or 9th-magnitude star listed in the *Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory Star Catalog*. These areas are fairly well distributed in right ascension, and at least one field is accessible on most nights in the Northern Hemisphere.

Although the magnitudes listed in Chiu's tables are quite accurate, he did not include charts. I remedied this by photographing all three areas with the 16-inch f/5.5 astrographic reflector at Chamberlin Observatory's Dick Mountain Field Station near Bailey, Colorado. The exposures, made between December, 1980, and July, 1981, were 75 to 100 minutes in duration on nights of good seeing. I used Kodak's Technical Pan Film 2415, which was hypersensitized before exposure by soaking in forming gas (8 percent hydro-

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gen, 92 percent nitrogen) at atmospheric pressure for five hours at 60°C. The 4x5 film sheets were processed in D-19 developer for five minutes at 21°C.

My negatives were enlarged 24 times and made into reverse prints (black stars on a white background). The exact scale as reproduced here can be found from the line 400 arc seconds long on the right side of each print.

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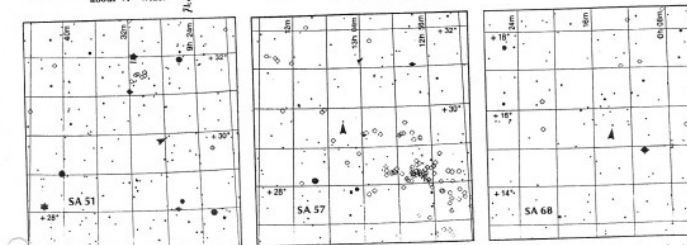
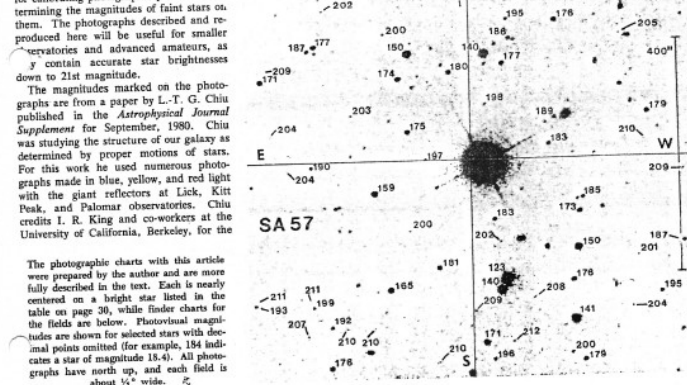
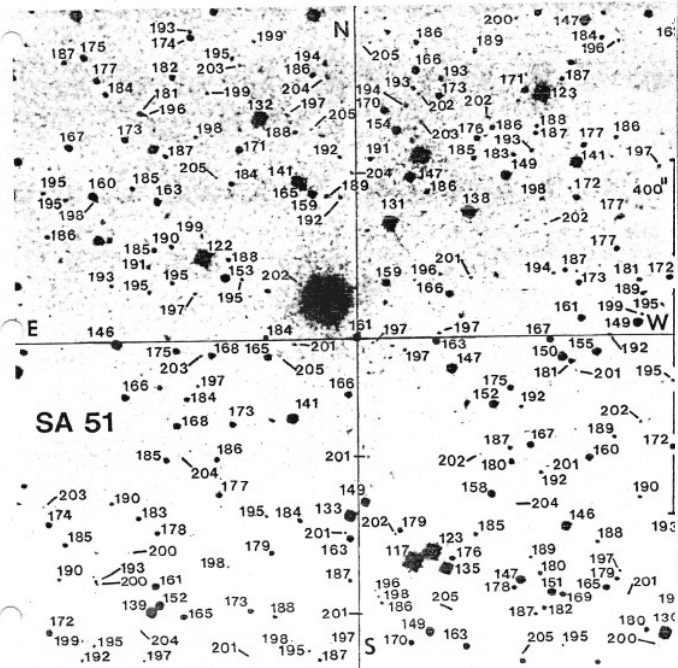
SA 51, Chiu's list contains 235 stars to photovisual magnitude 20.5. Of these, seven stars are covered by the image of a brighter one. Six of magnitude 20.5 are shown on the photograph, but another of the same brightness is not.

For the photograph of SA 57, Chiu's list contains 65 stars. Of these, two were covered by other images and three were not found. Among the 60 stars marked are five with magnitudes from 21.0 to 21.2

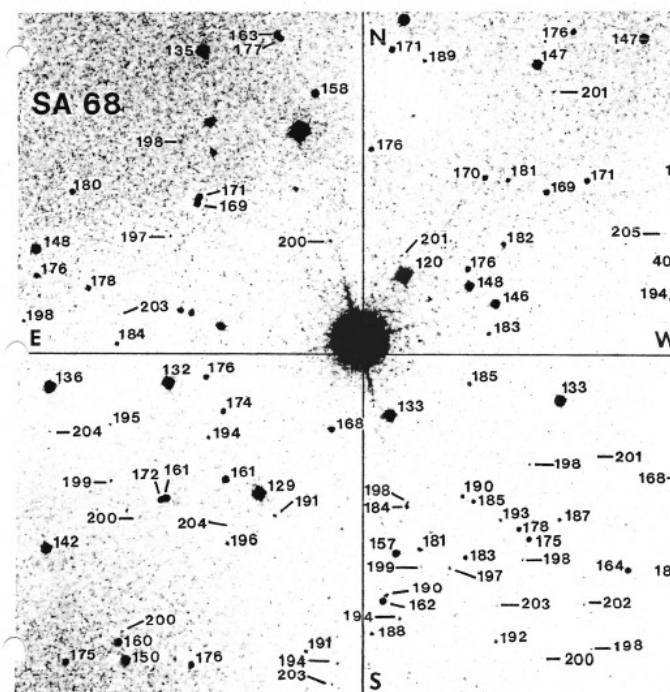
(the basis for my earlier statement that a 16-inch telescope can reach magnitude 20.5). The photograph should contain 89 stars from Chiu's list, but one was not found. The remainder are as faint as magnitude 20.5, visible.

I wish to thank Elizabeth Roemer, University of Arizona, for calling my attention to Chiu's original paper, and Hoag at Lowell Observatory for his suggestions while I was working on this project.

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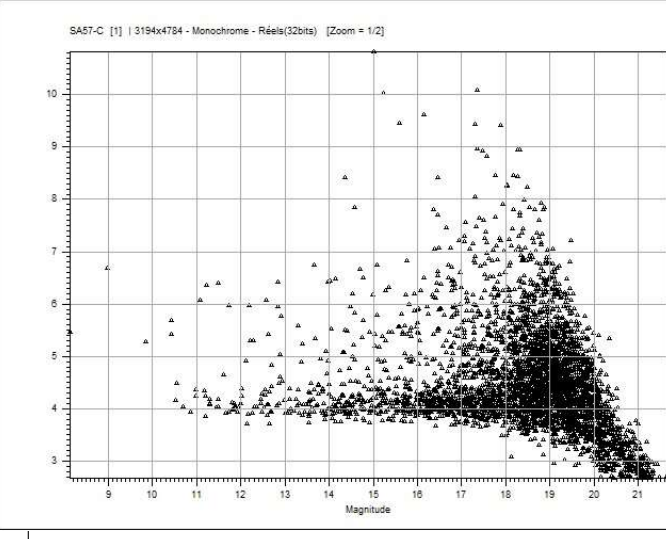
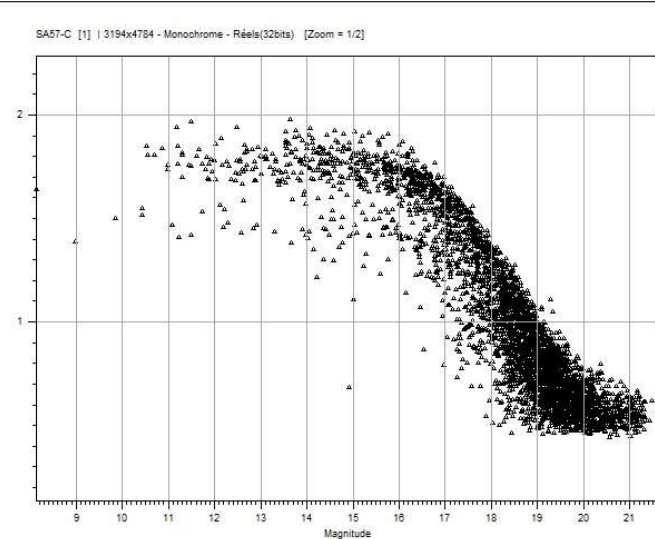
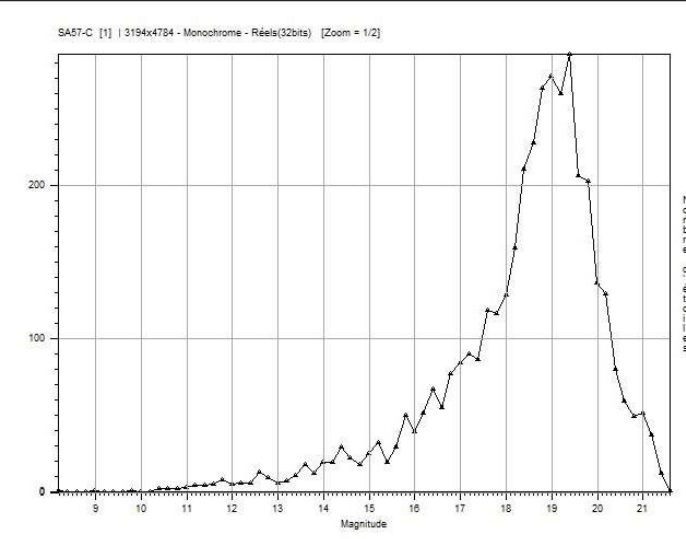
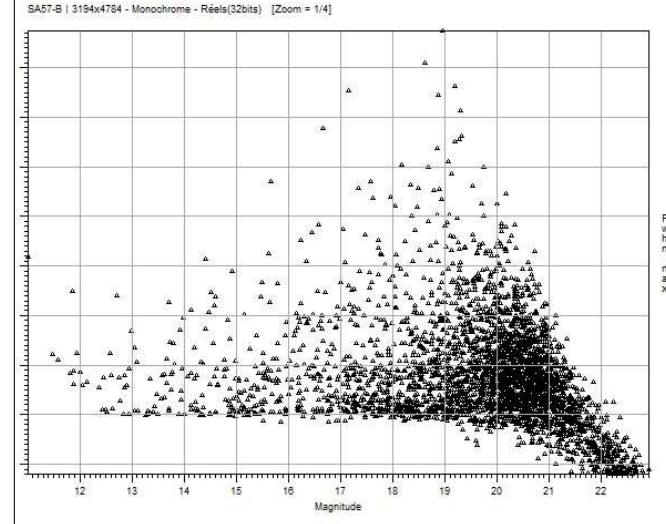
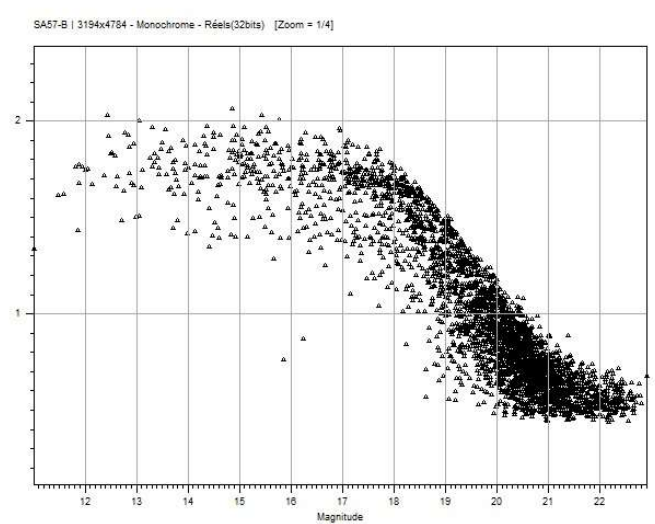
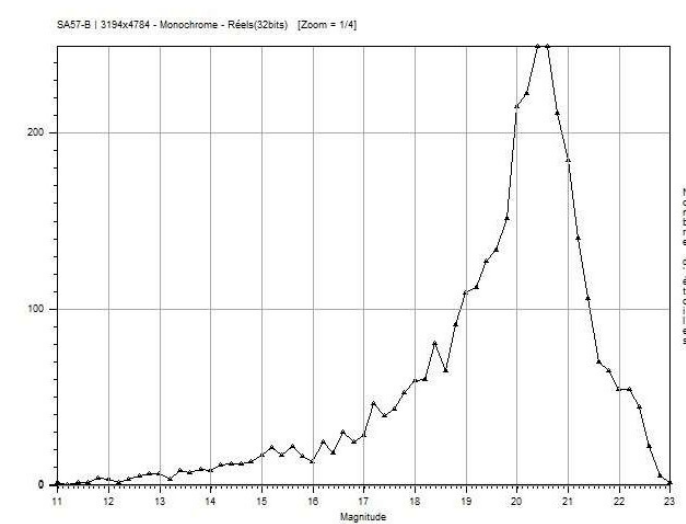
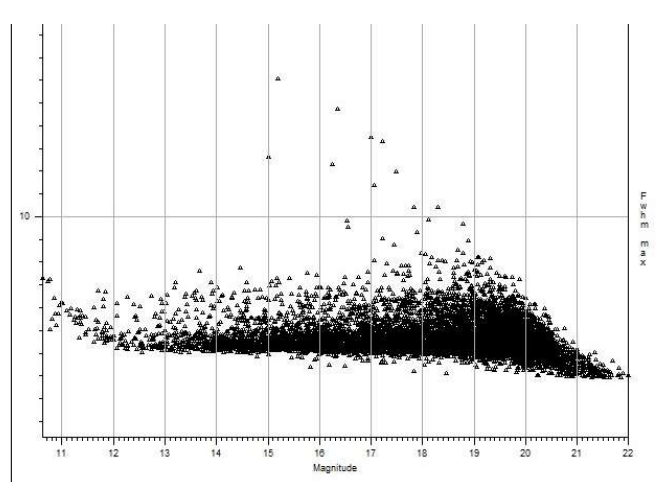
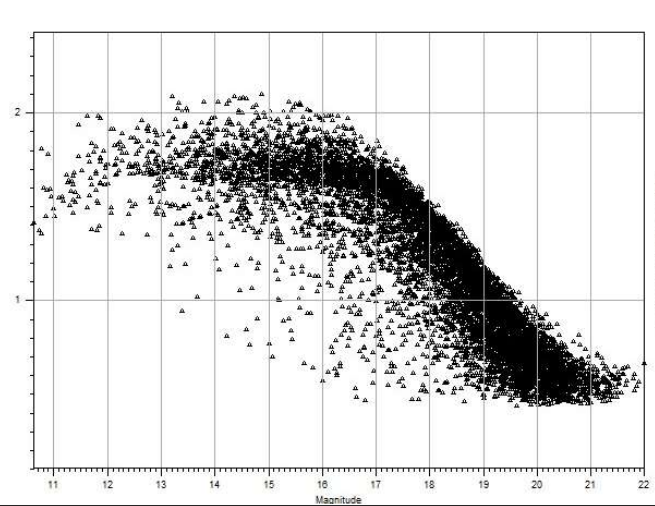
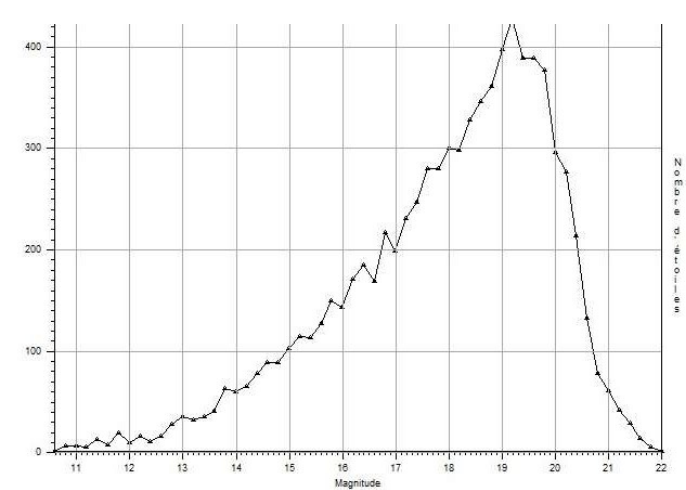


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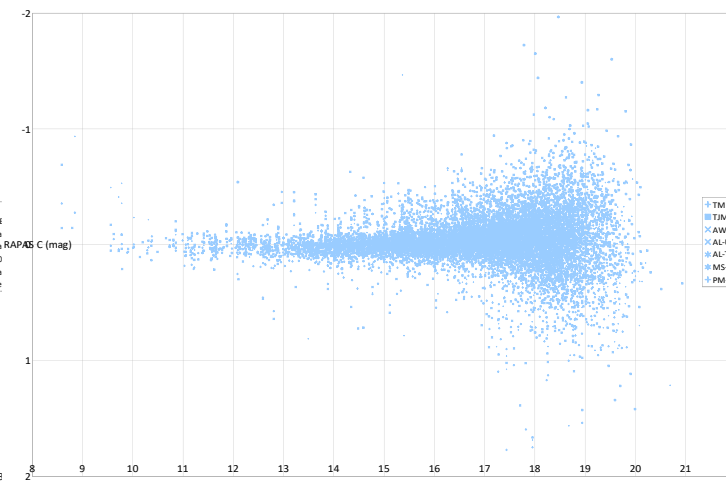
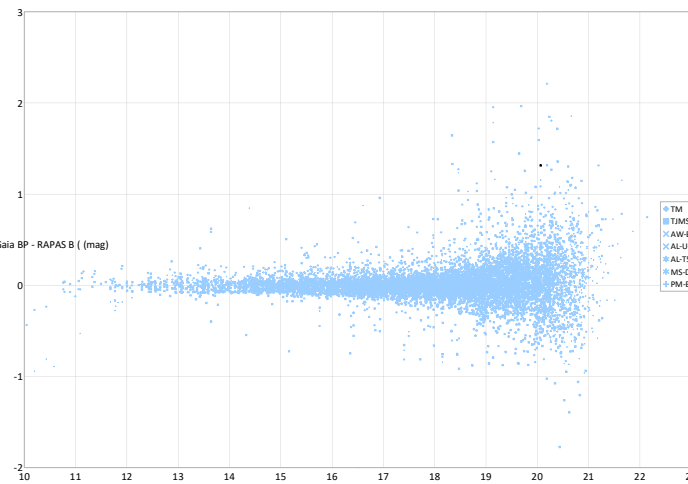
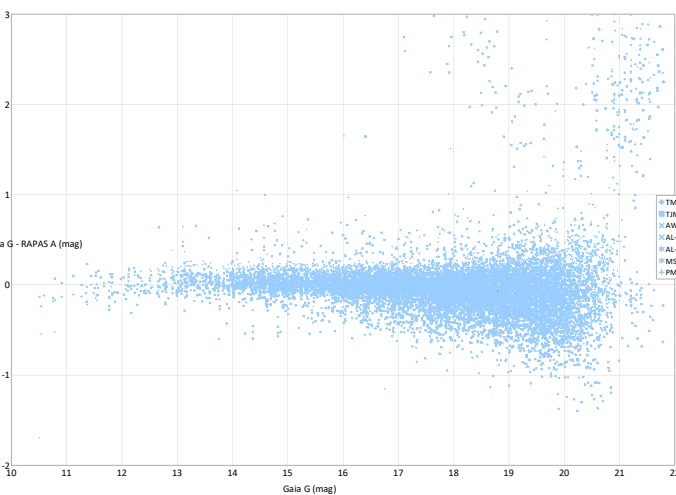
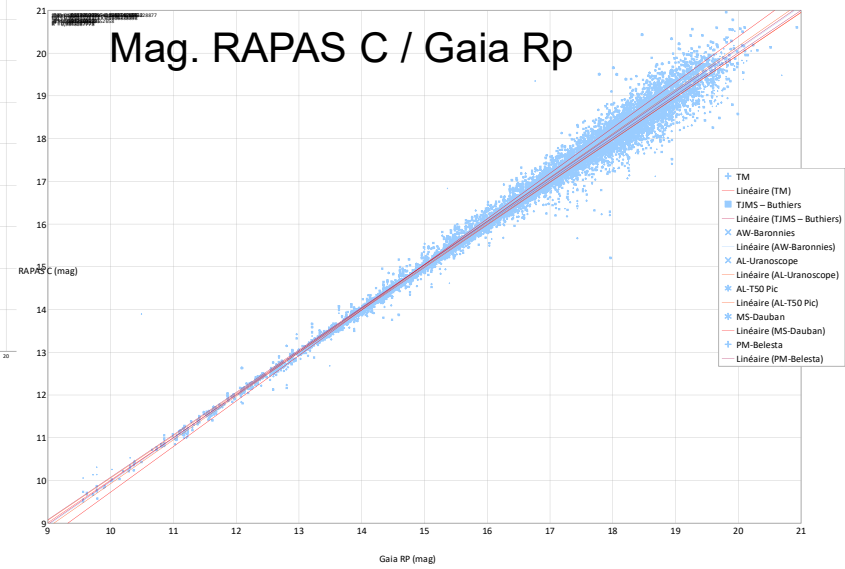
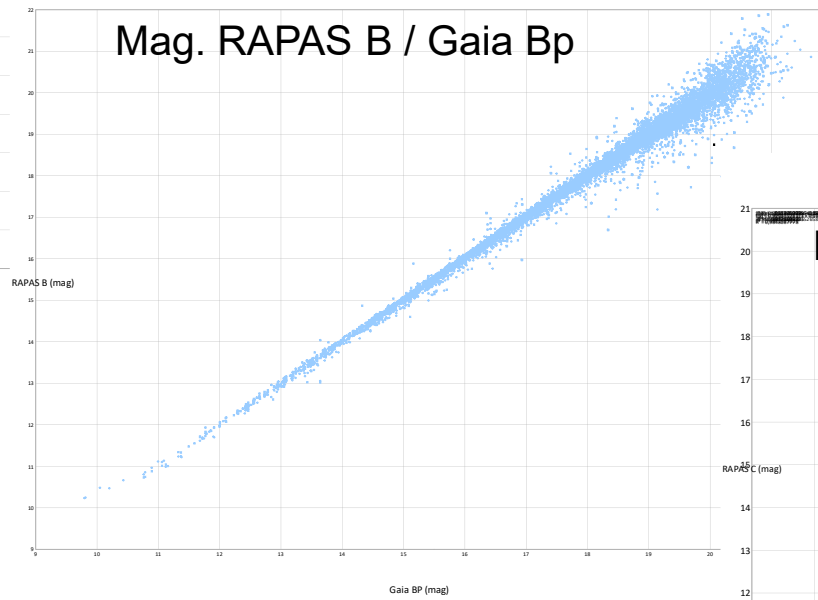
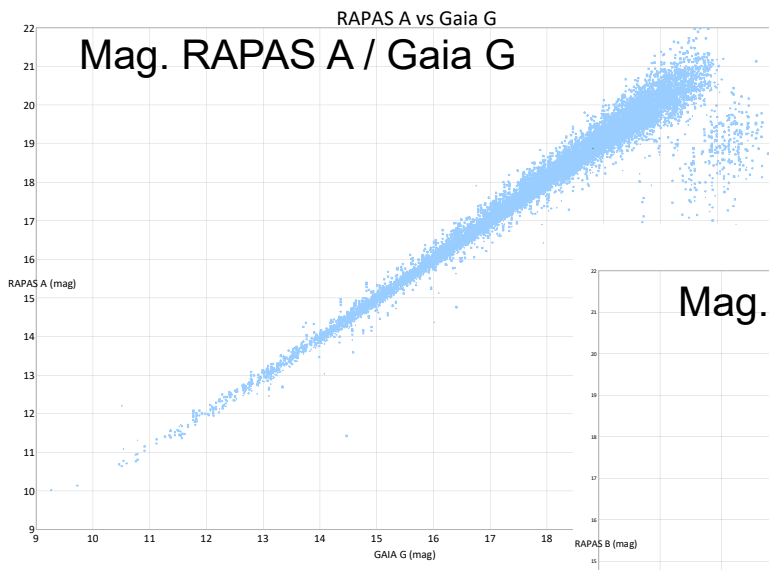


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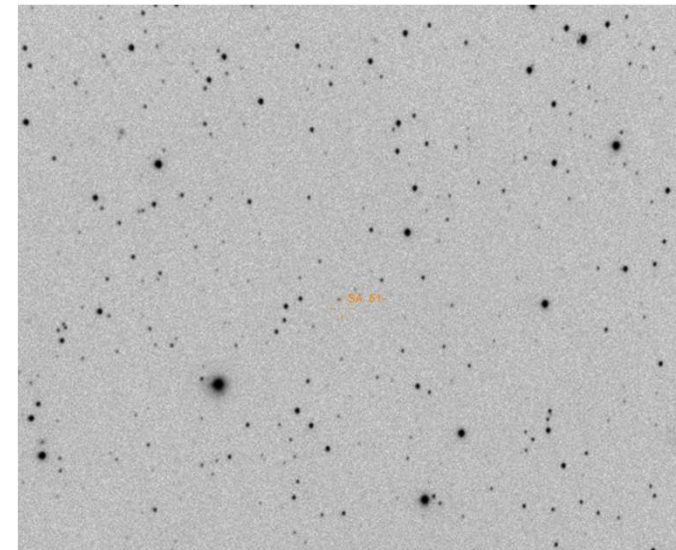
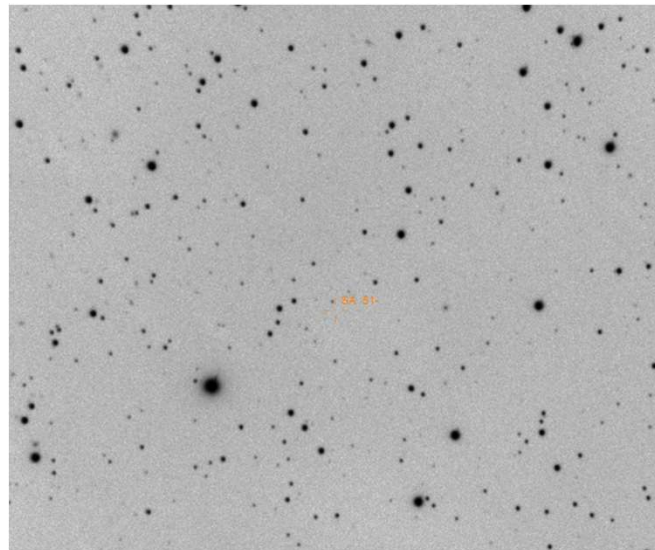
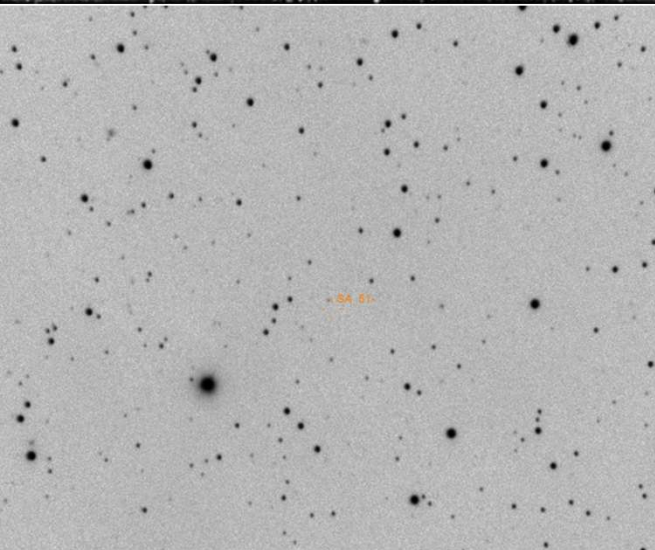
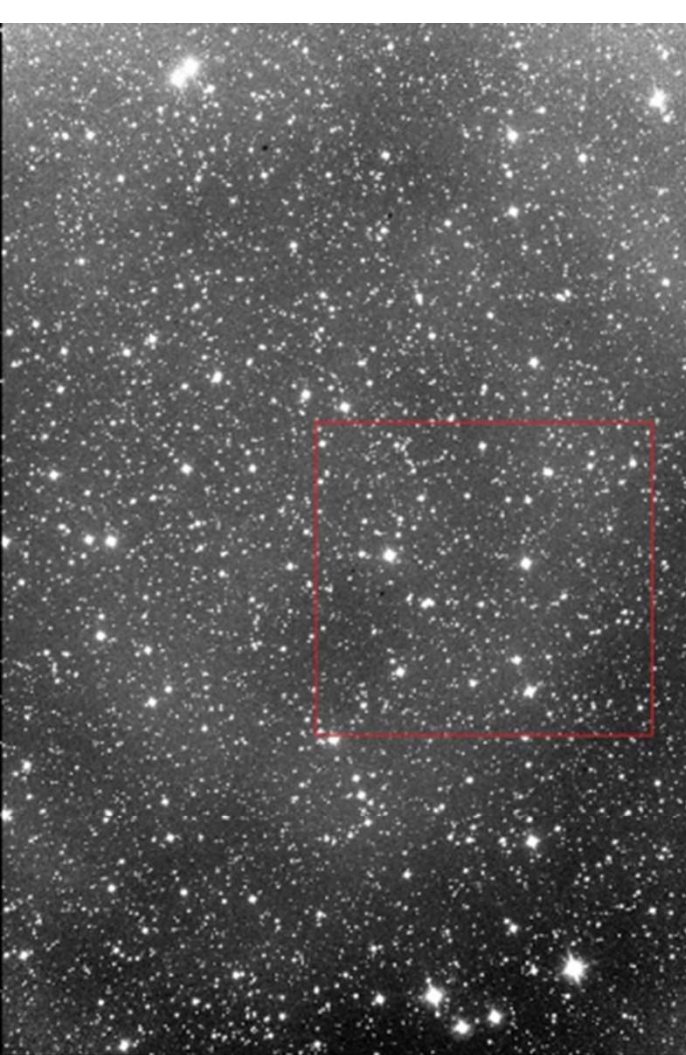


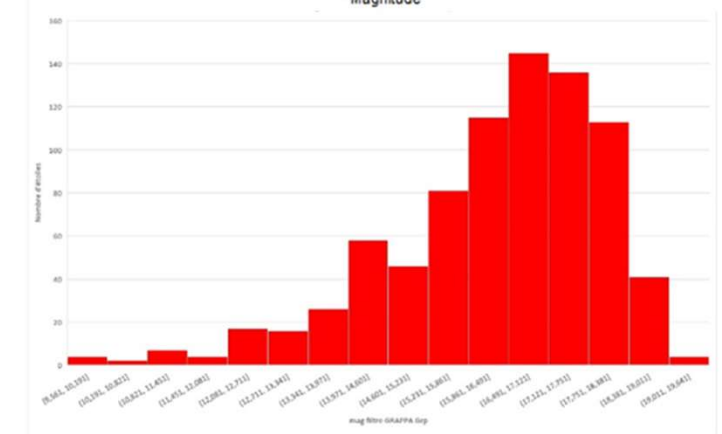
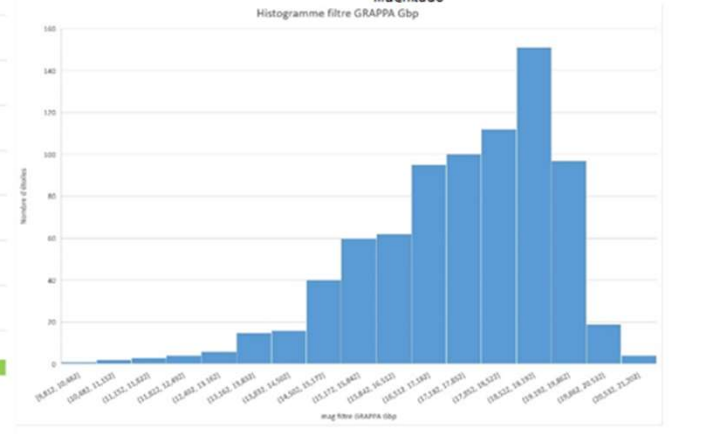
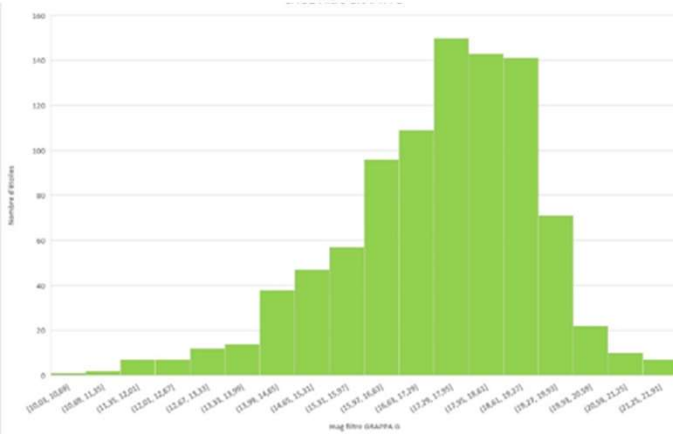
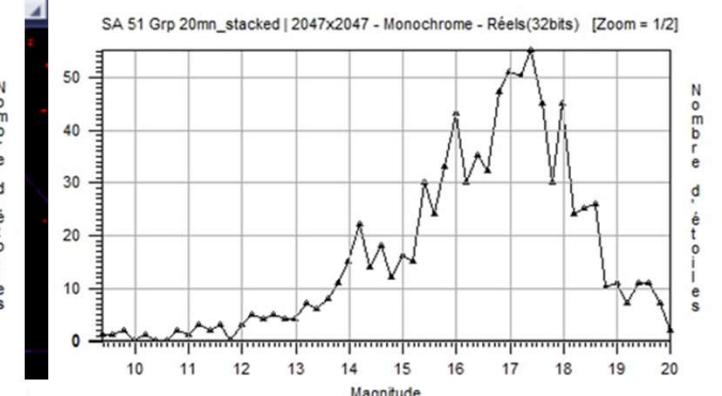
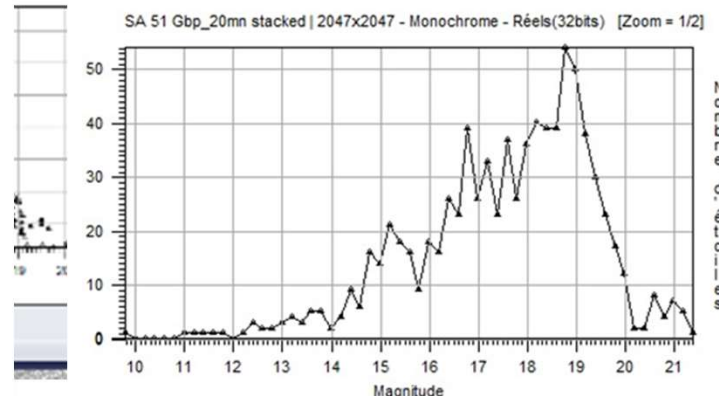
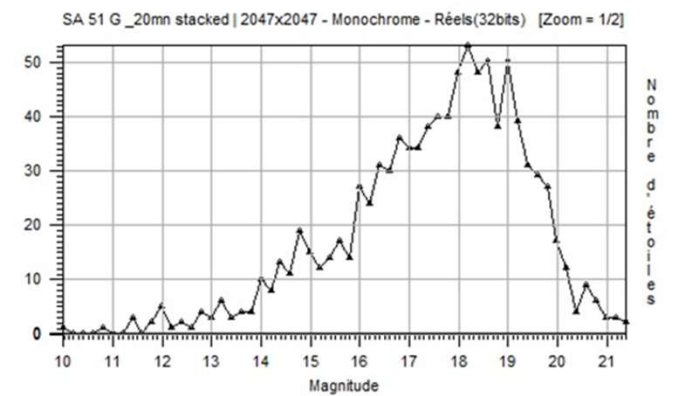
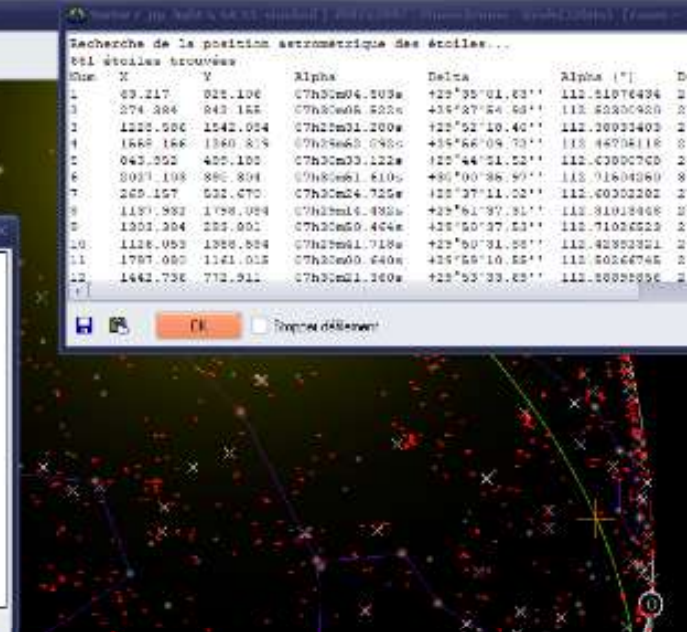
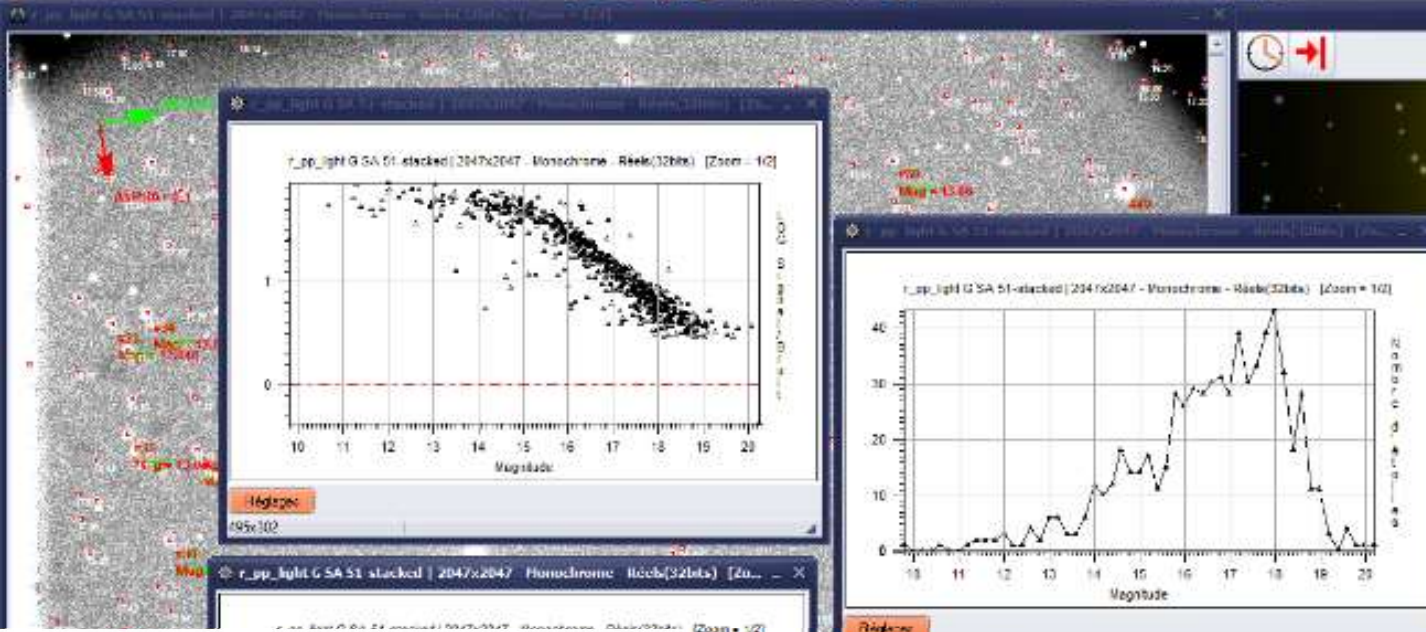
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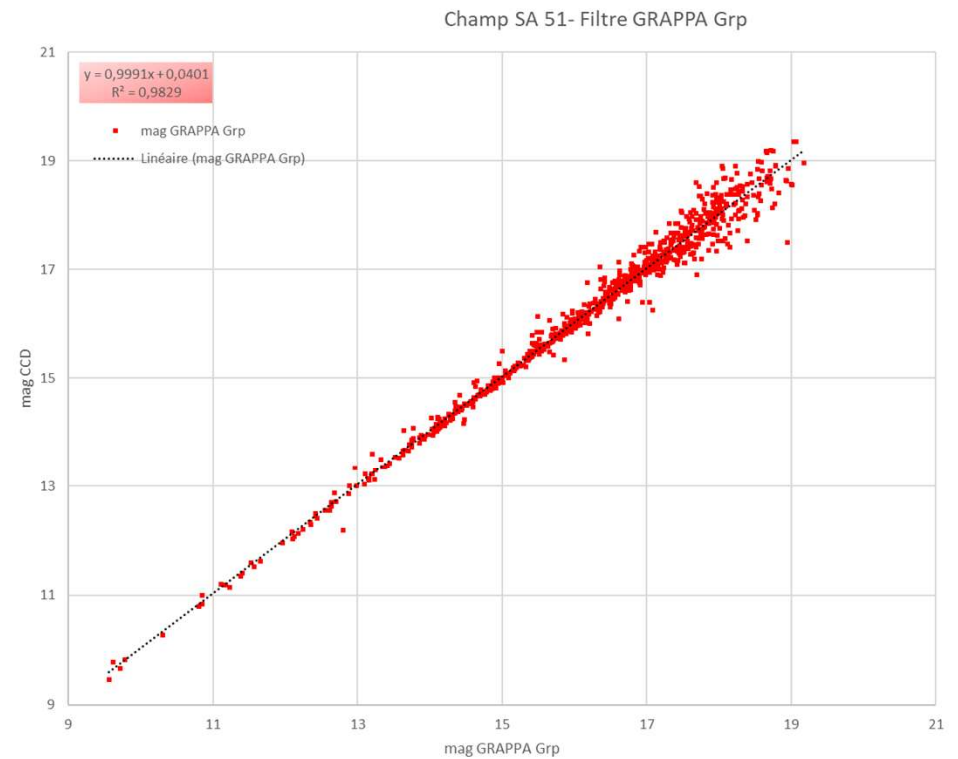
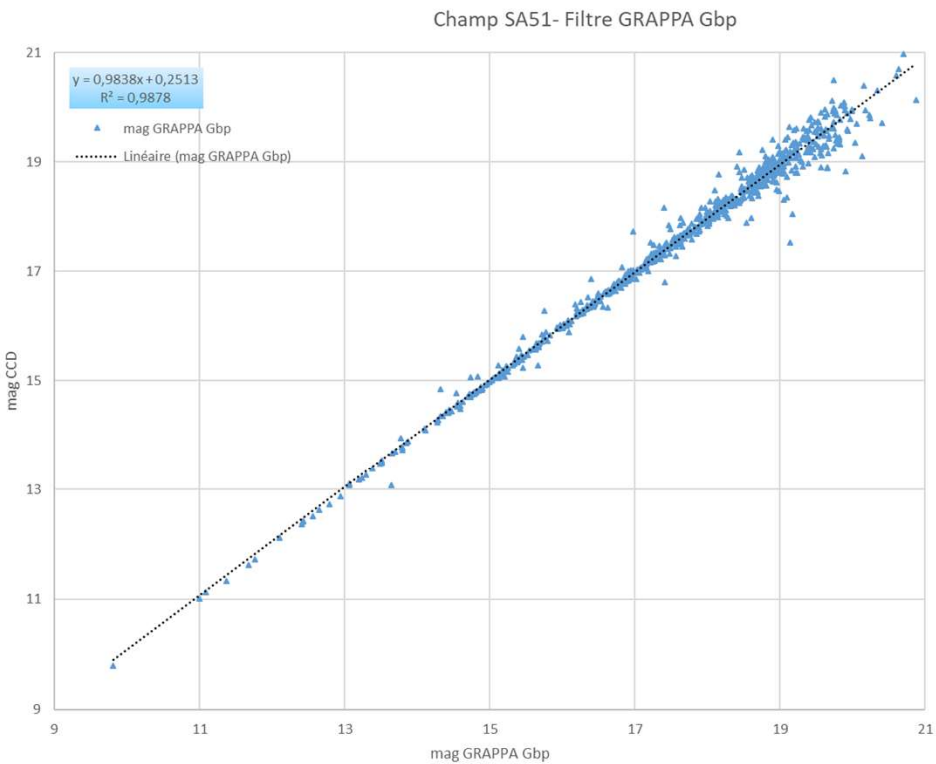
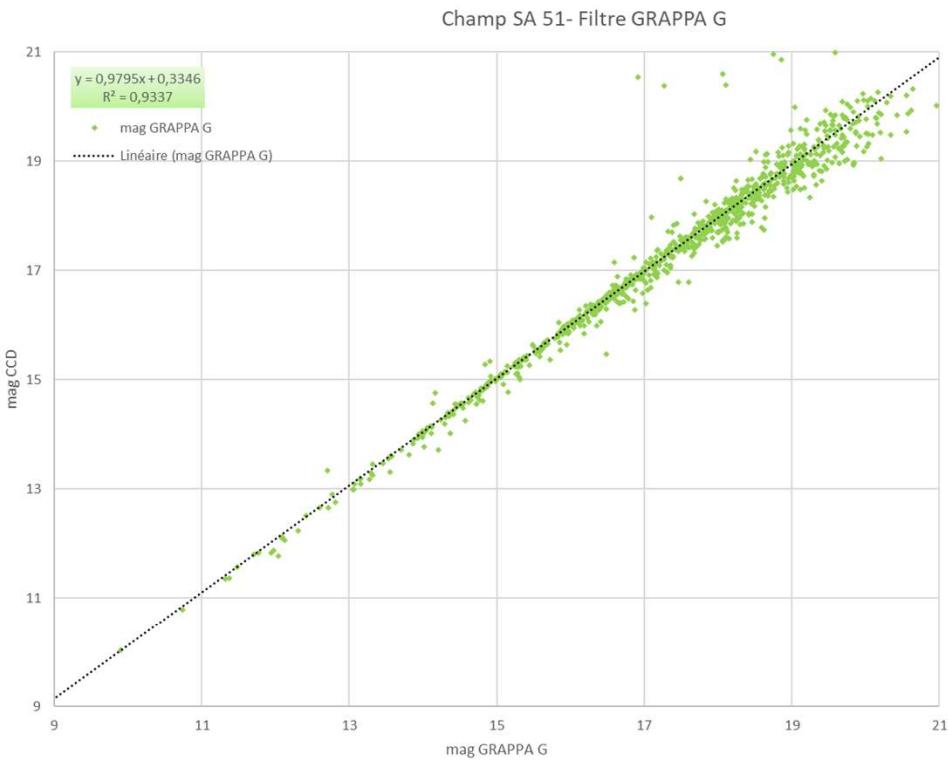
Lisa Maris : Champ d'étoiles SA 51

- Station Atlas Chambéry Savoie
- Télescope C11, D=0,280m, f=1,764m,
- CCD ATIK 4000, capteur CCD - Kodak KAI 04022, dimensions 16.67mm x 16.05mm, pixels 7.4 μm , refroidie $\Delta=-20$ T_{ext}=0°C
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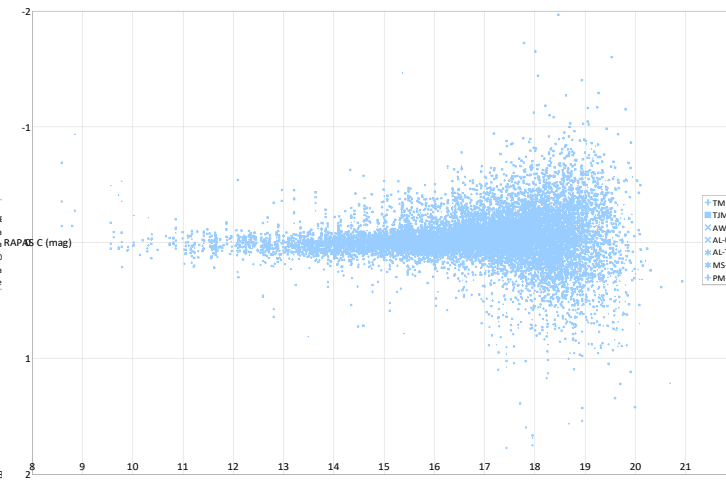
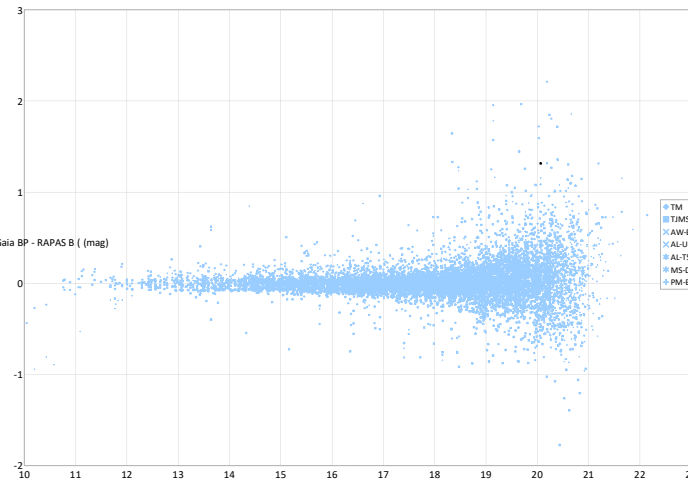
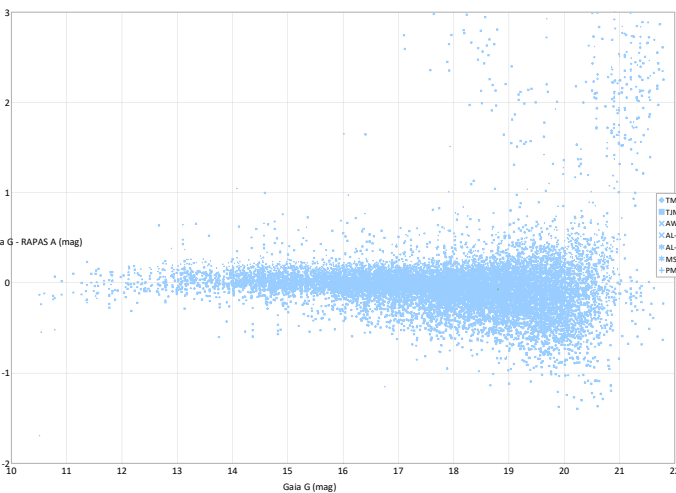
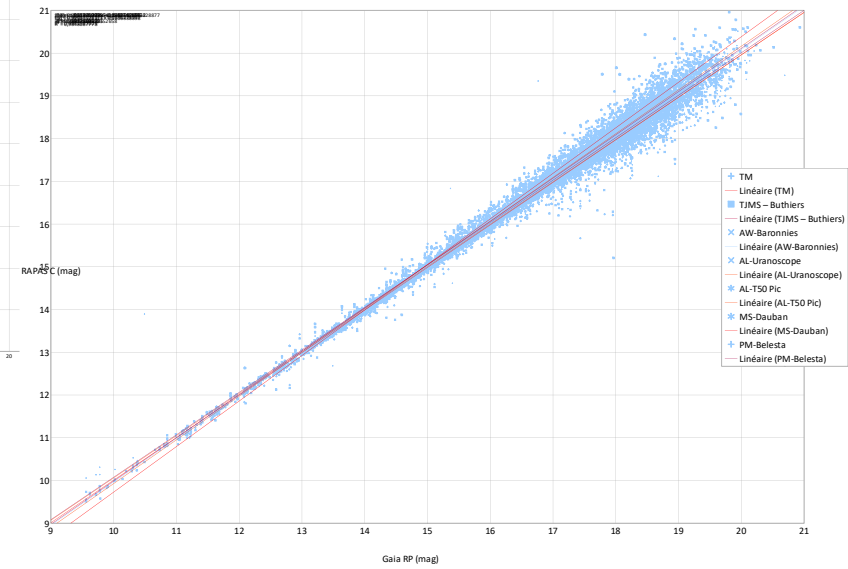
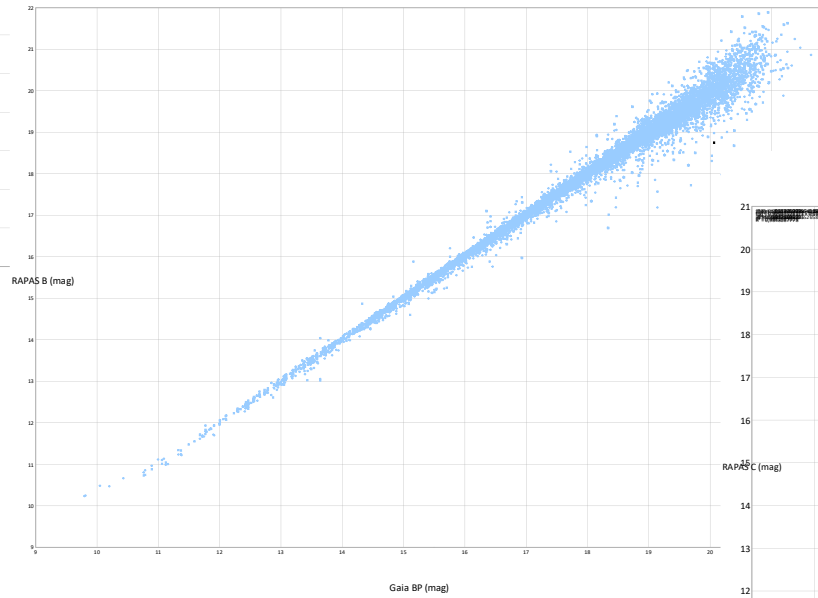
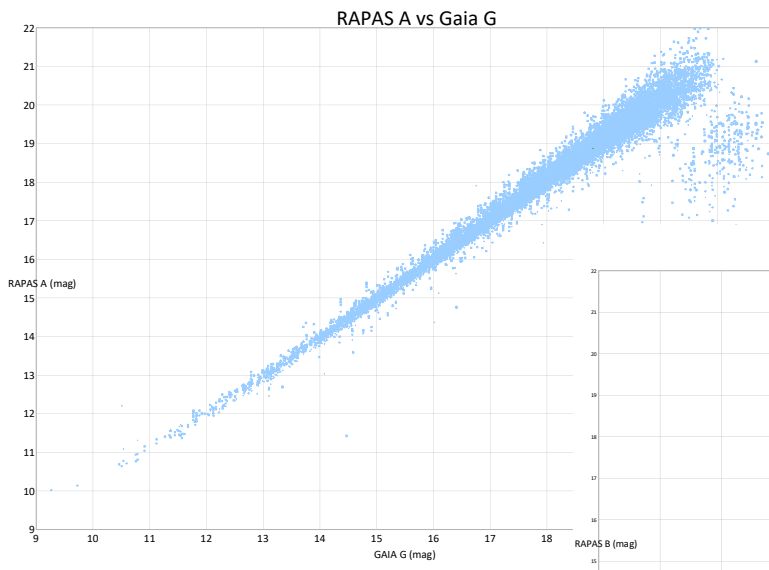




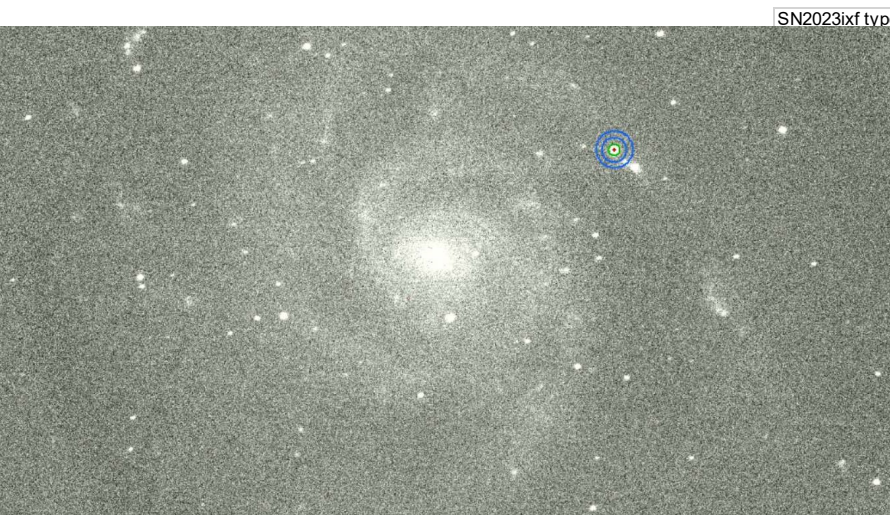
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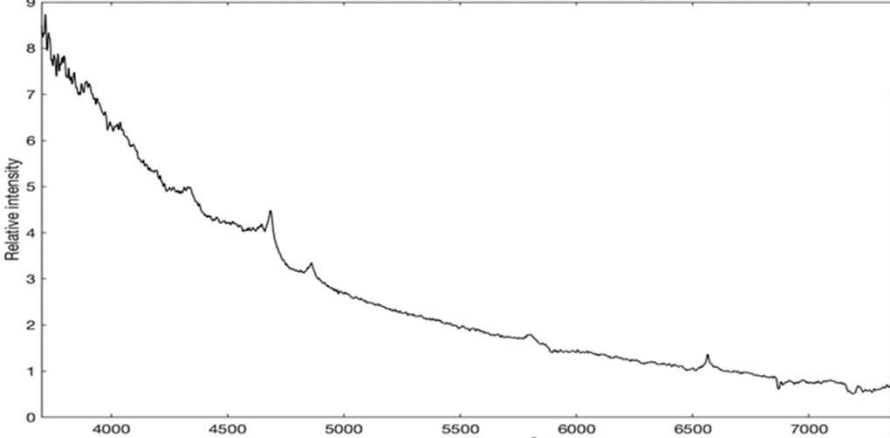


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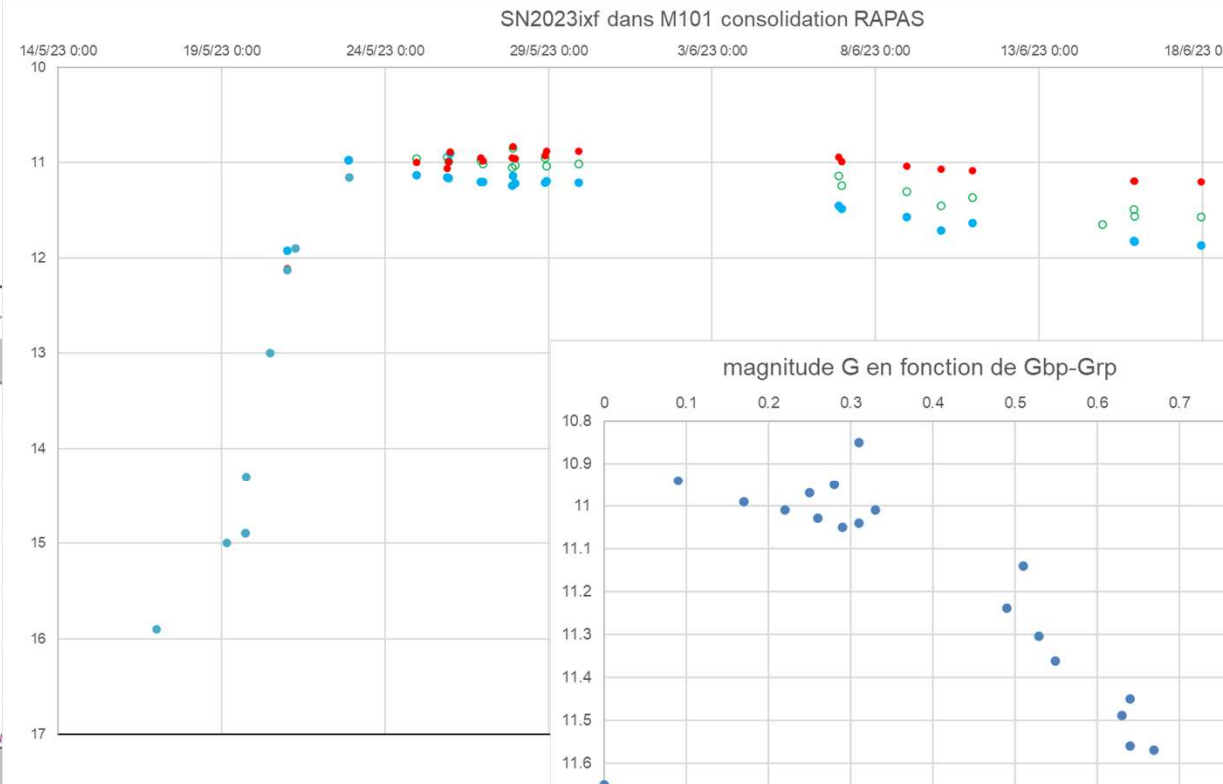
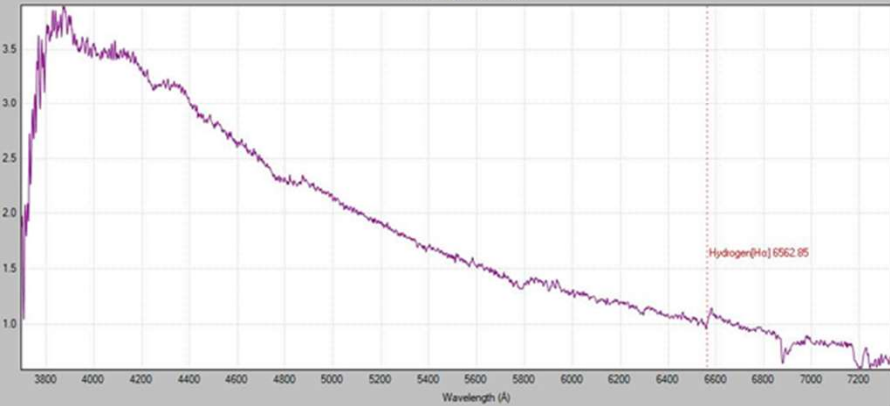


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2023-05-23									Anaël	
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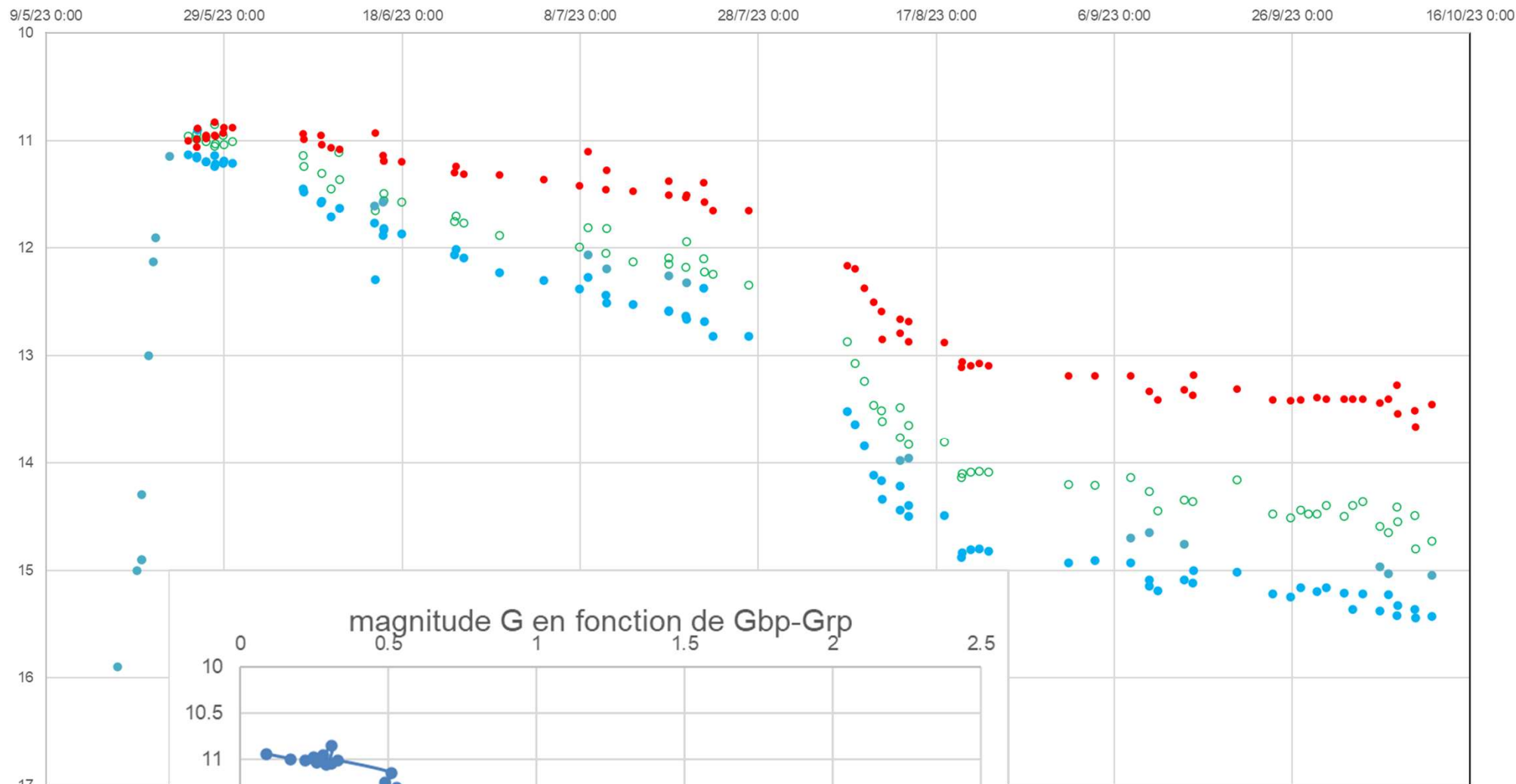
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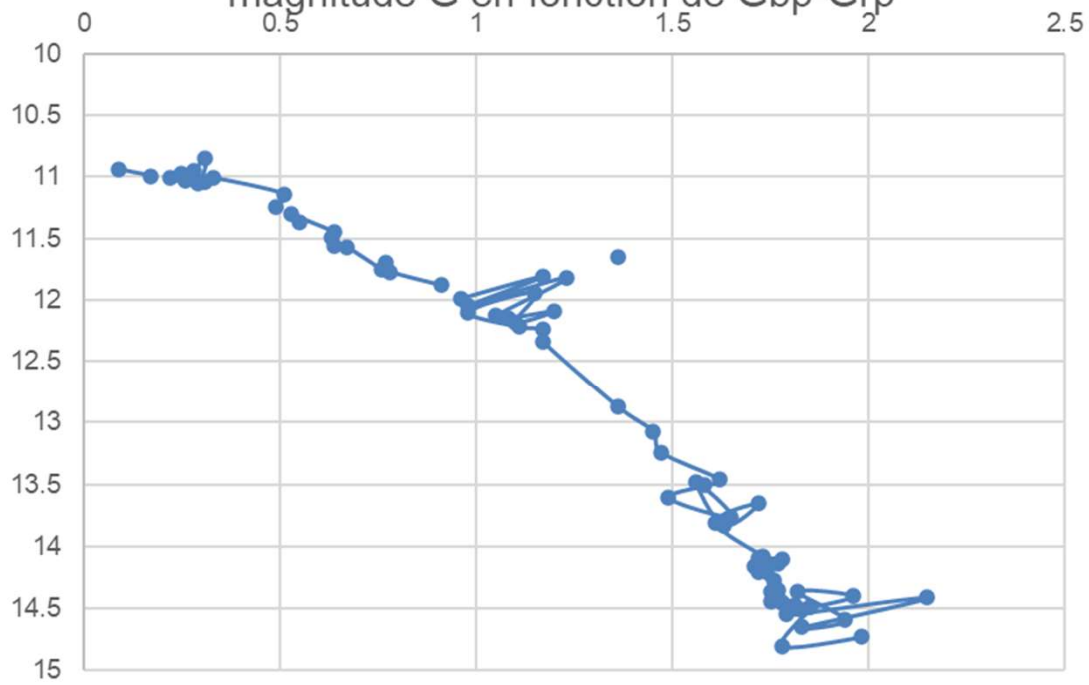
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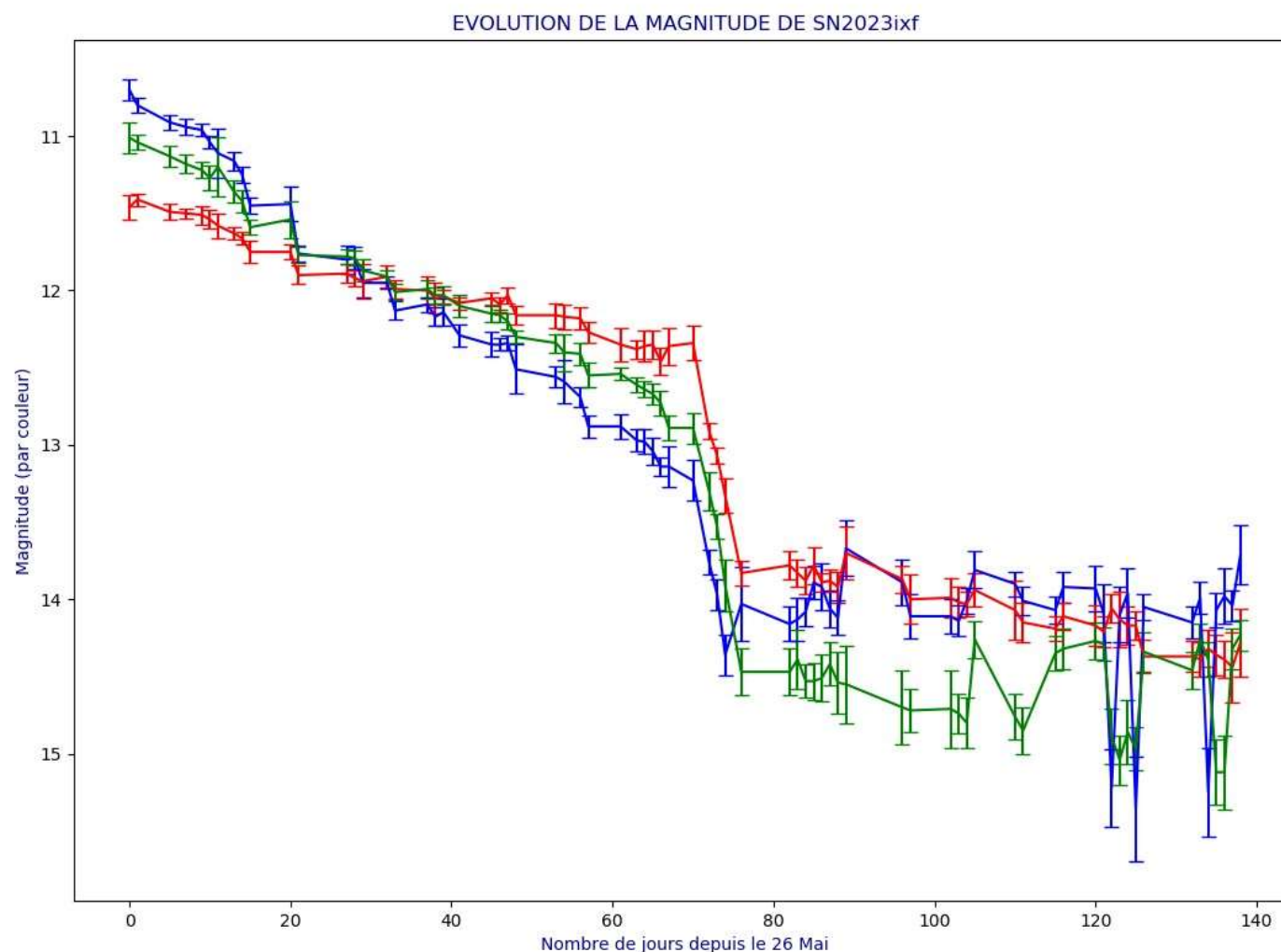


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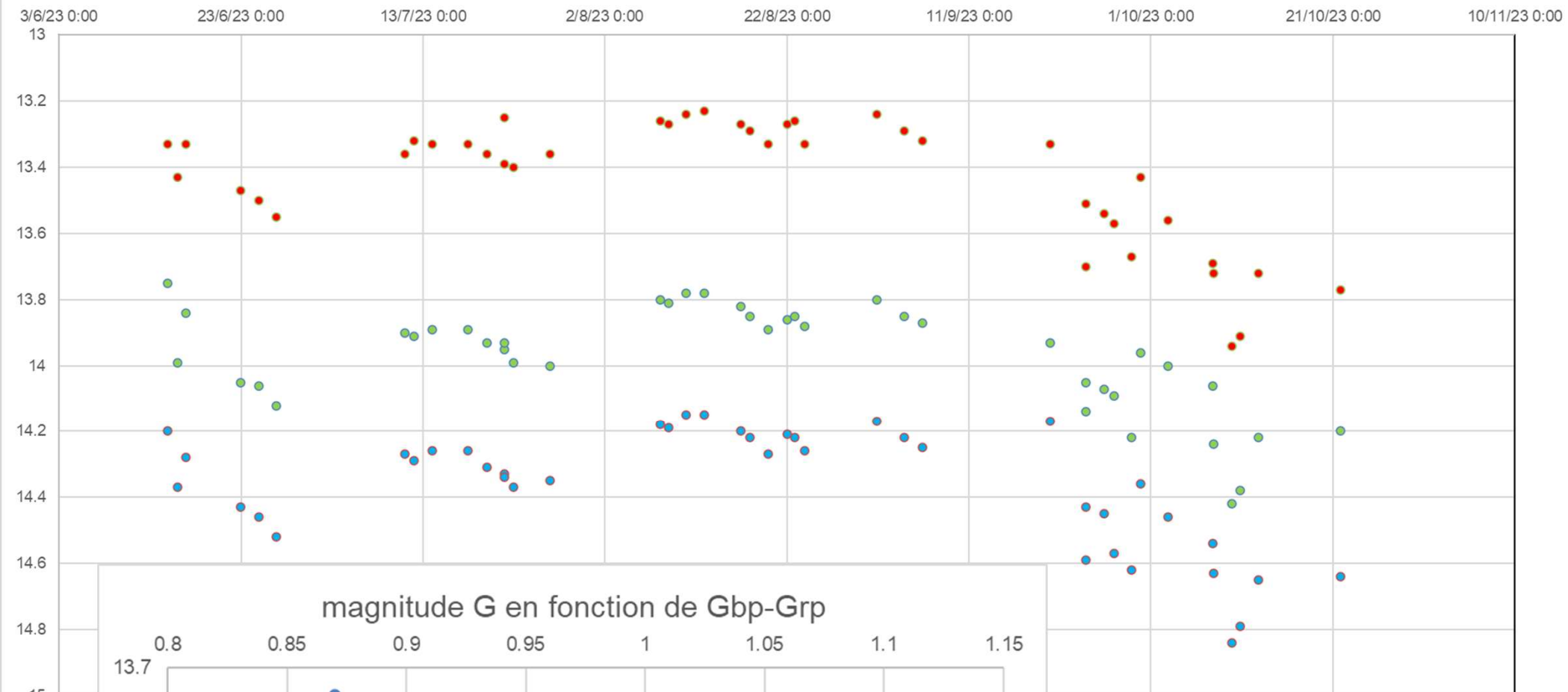
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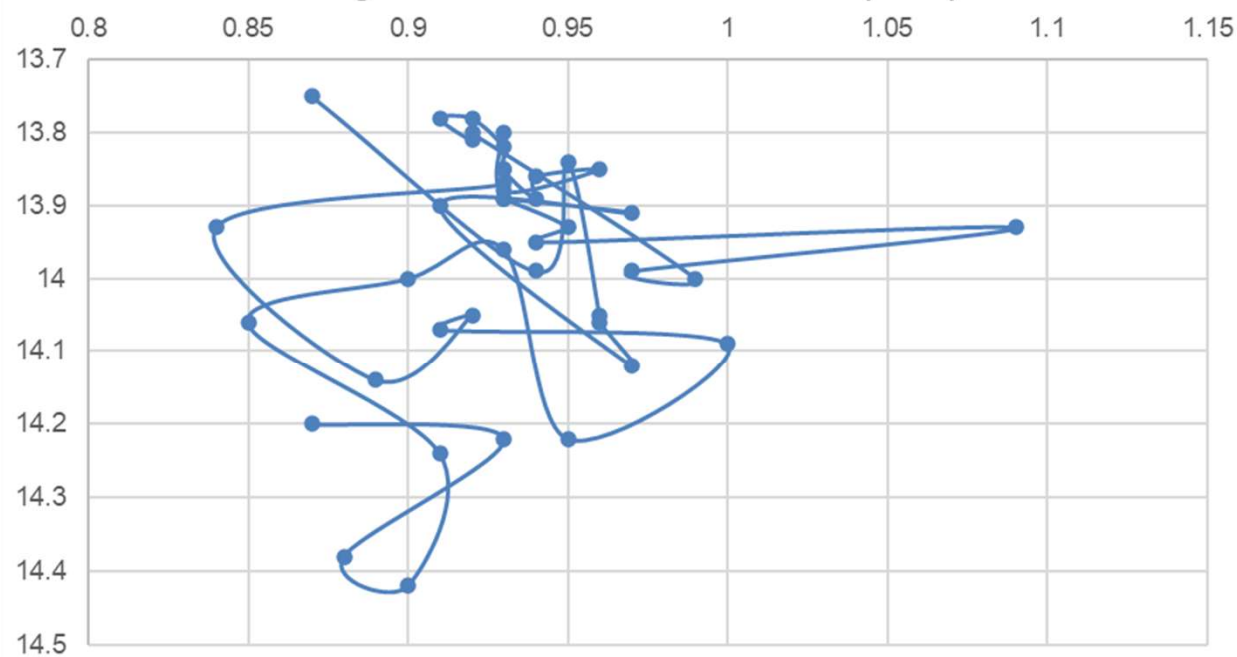


Cette SN a été suivie un maximum de temps avec un LX 200 (TGS) et filtres RVB (ZWO), les traitements et réductions ont été faits par le jeune Jeremy Bernede (13 ans) qui ne maîtrise pas encore bien Excel, reprendre éventuellement les valeurs de dates pour une autre présentation. Les dernières mesures plus erratiques sont dues principalement à la qualité du ciel le soir au dessus de la ville.
Mais je pense qu'il a fait du très bon travail pour son âge :-)) N'hésites pas à demander des précisions si besoin.
Philippe Dupouy

1ES 1959+650 Blazar consolidation RAPAS



magnitude G en fonction de Gbp-Grp



Conclusion les suites sur les filtres

Photométrie

- Qualifier la précision photométrique de chaque observateur RAPAS avec l'exploitation des acquisitions sur les Selected Area
- Qualifier la précision du réseau
- Lancer des suivis photométriques : la SN M101, Blazar
- Lancer des phases de recherches de GaiaFUN SSO
- Lancer des phases de recherches de contreparties optiques
- Délivrer des données : Alertes Gaia, Télégrammes, GCN, KNC,...
- Publier notre système photométrique

2024

- Etude et réalisation d'un nouveau lot de filtres ABC ?
 - Meme conception
 - Second design
- Réponse aux demandes à l'international pour les filtres et développement du réseau
- Organiser le pipeline des livraisons des mesures