



Session 2 - status of astronomers mitigation actions

Ground-Based DarkSky Protection and Orbital Pollution Mitigation at the Moquegua Astronomical Observatory (OAM) - IAU W73, Peru



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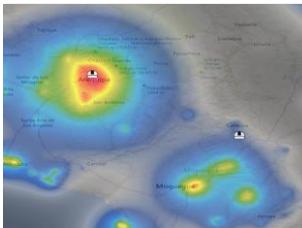
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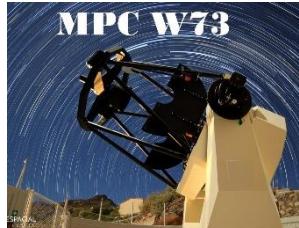
Observatory Overview

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Dark Sky Protection

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Telescope Capabilities

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Mitigation Through
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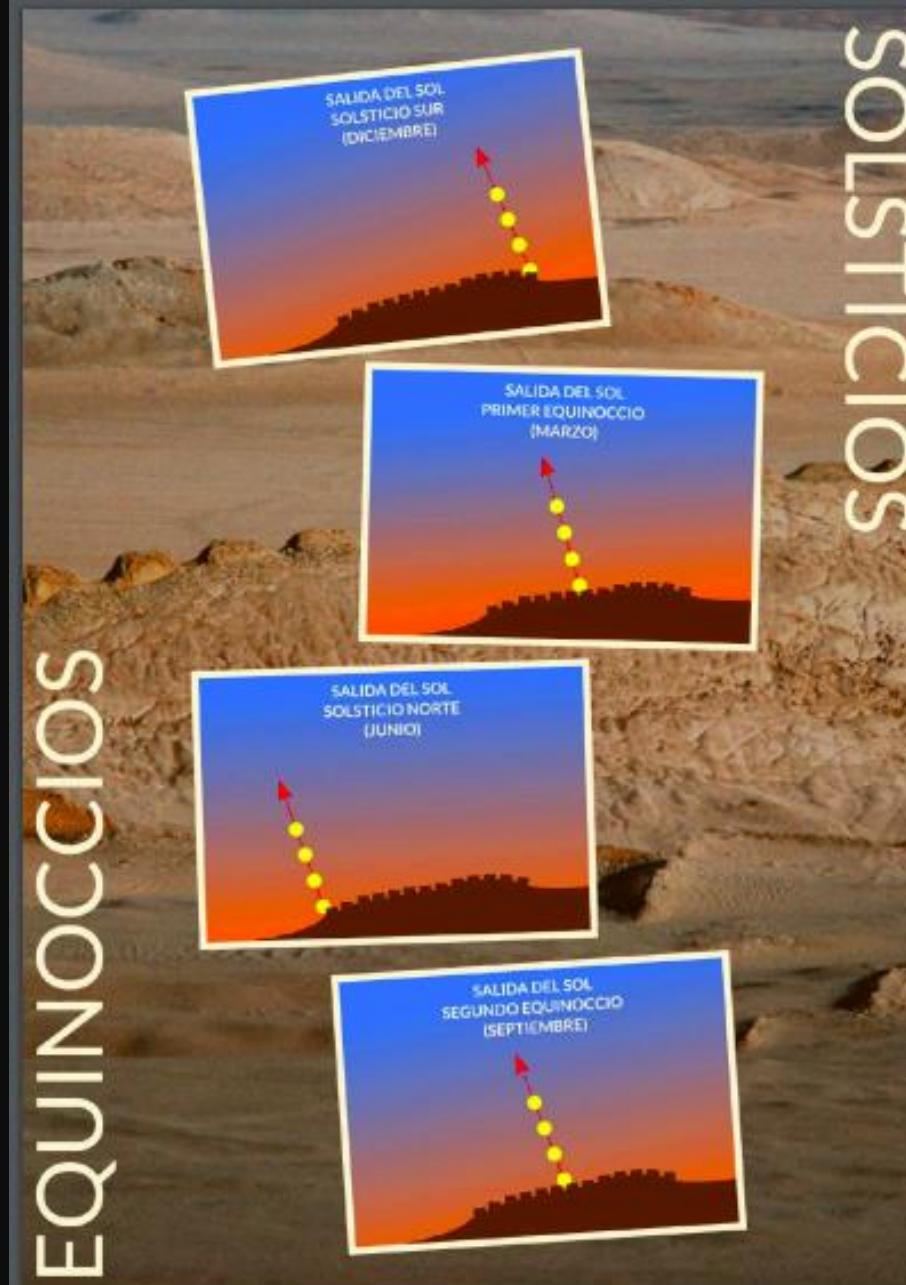
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Combined Strategy &
Outlook



1.-Observatory Overview



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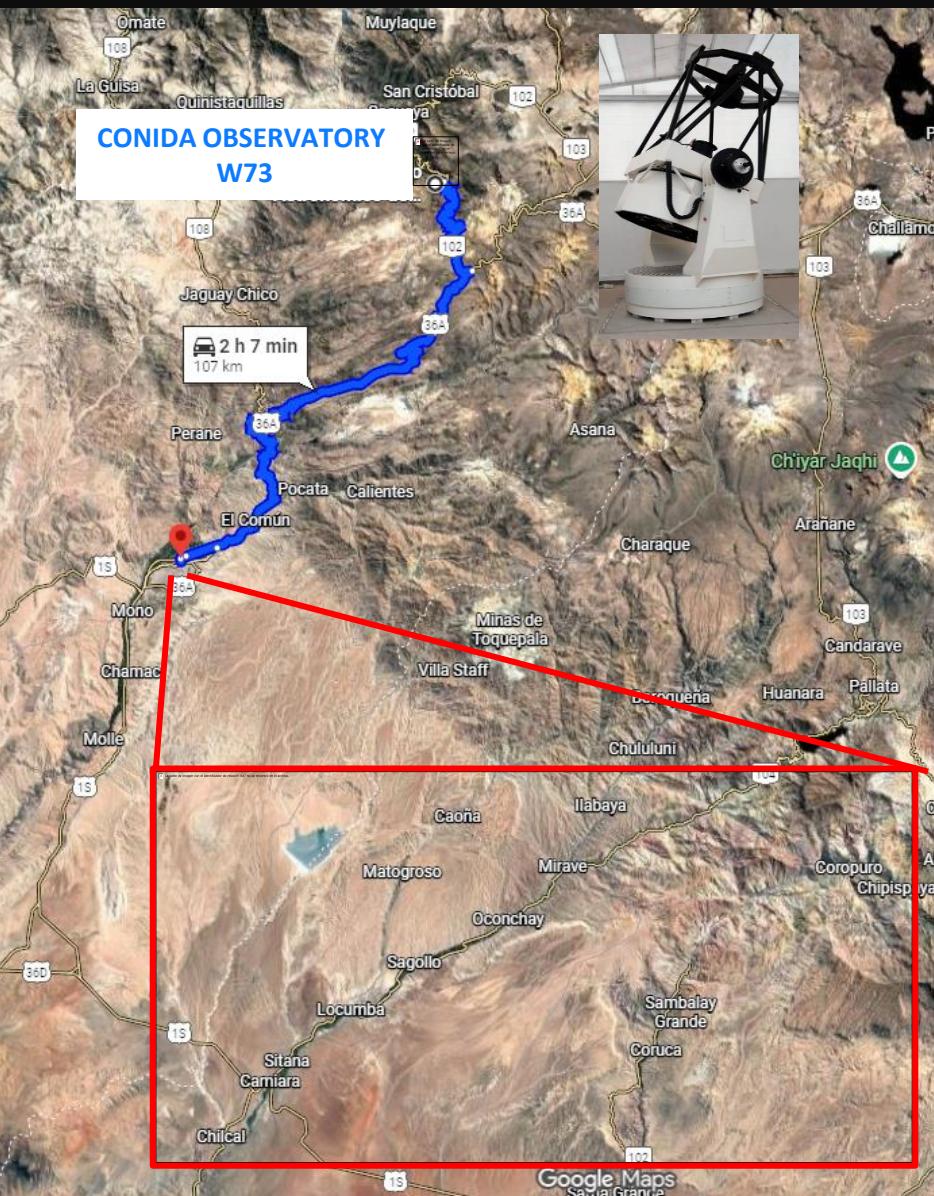
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LOCATION





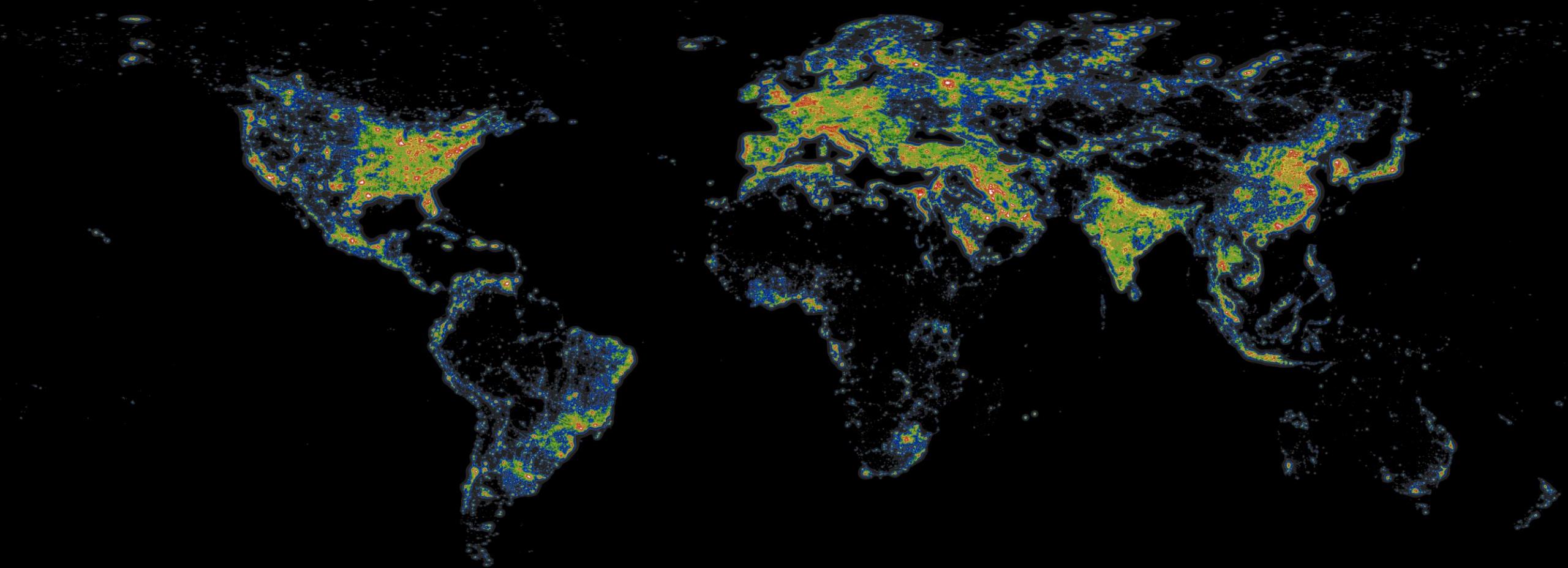
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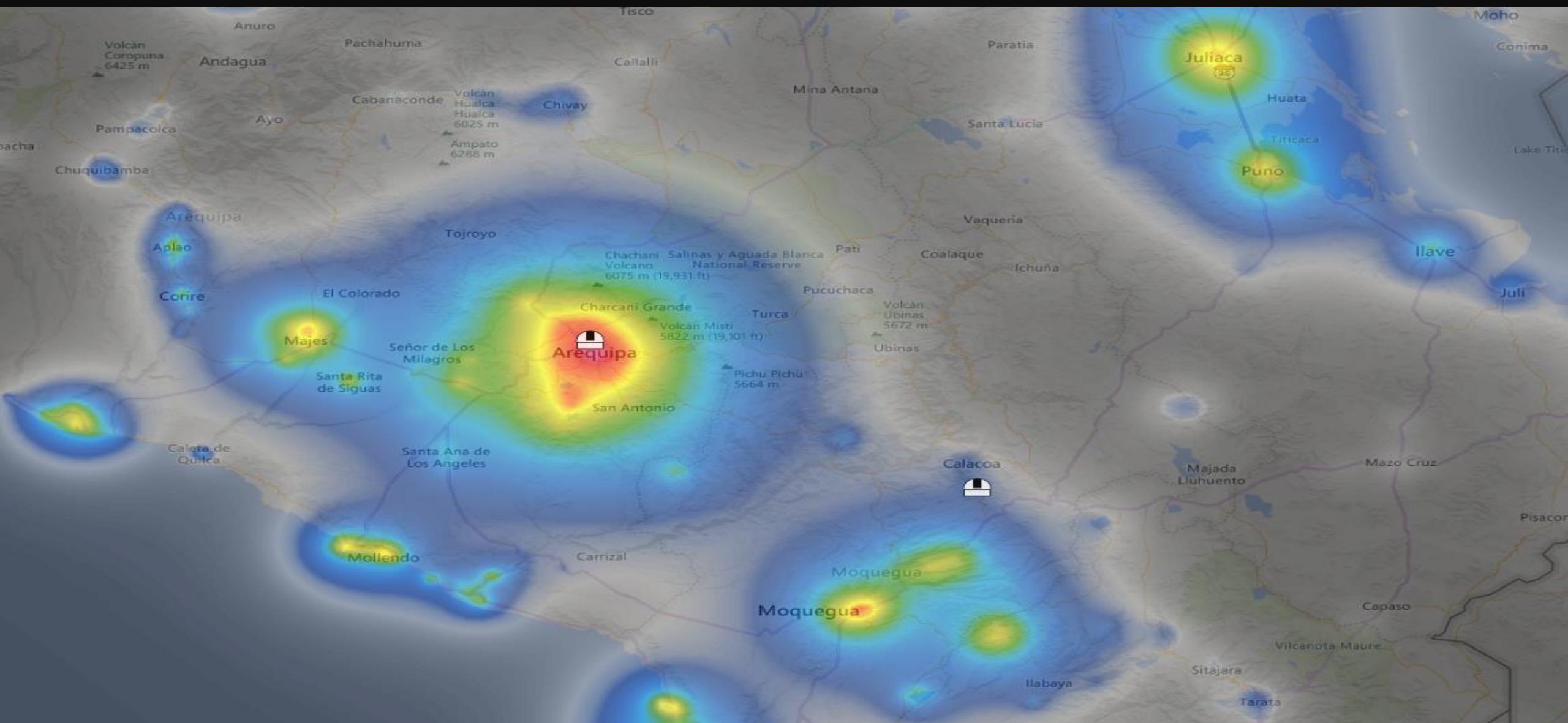
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2.-DarkSky Protection

Light Pollution Map



Light Pollution Map



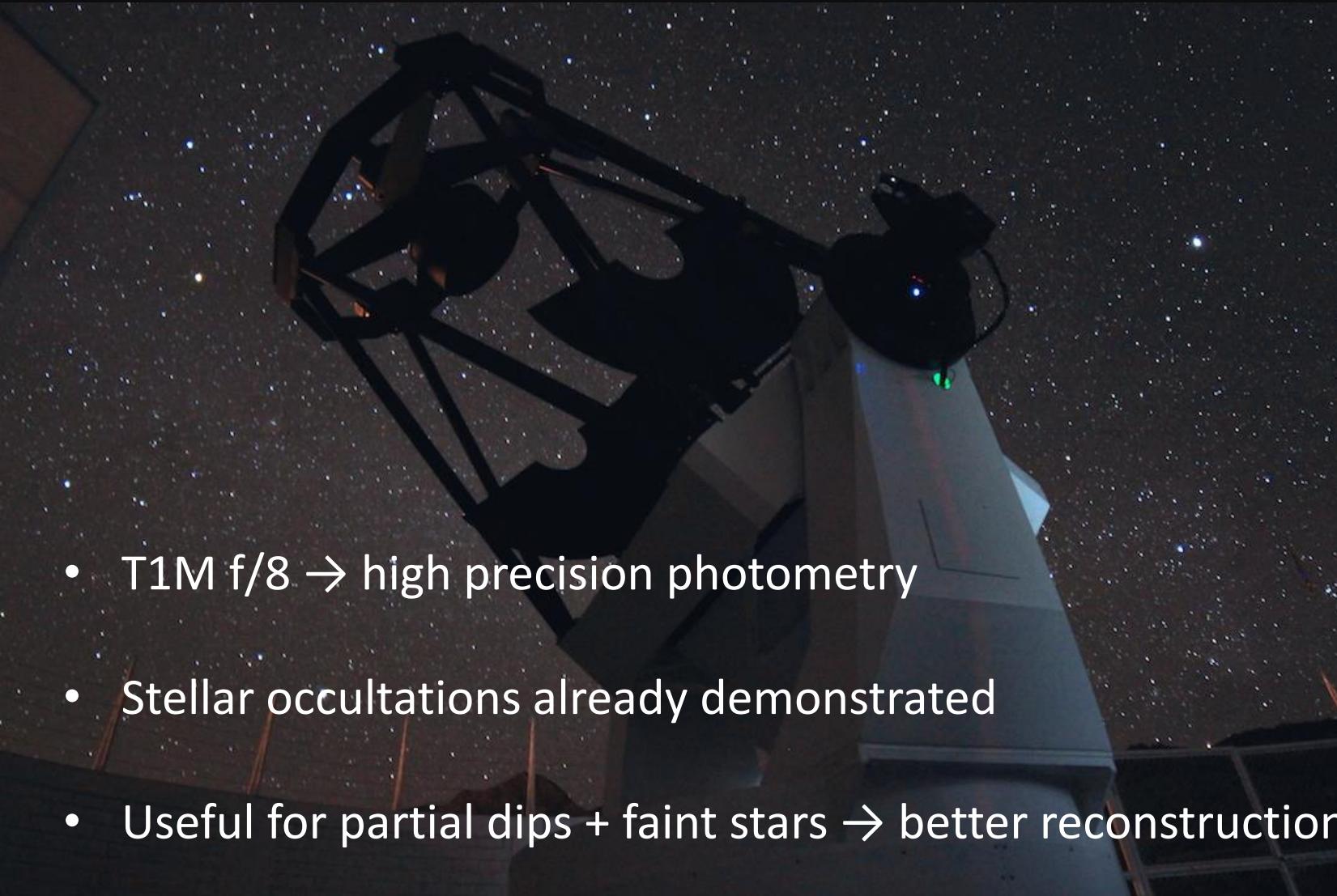
LOCATION

- Light pollution increase detected
- SQM monitoring system
- Infrastructure upgrades
- Ongoing work with local authorities (CONIDA signed an agreement focused on astrotourism and improving light-pollution policies, providing technical support).



3.-Telescope Capabilities

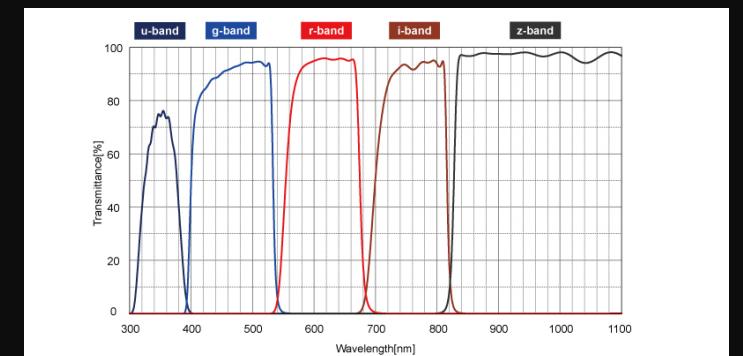
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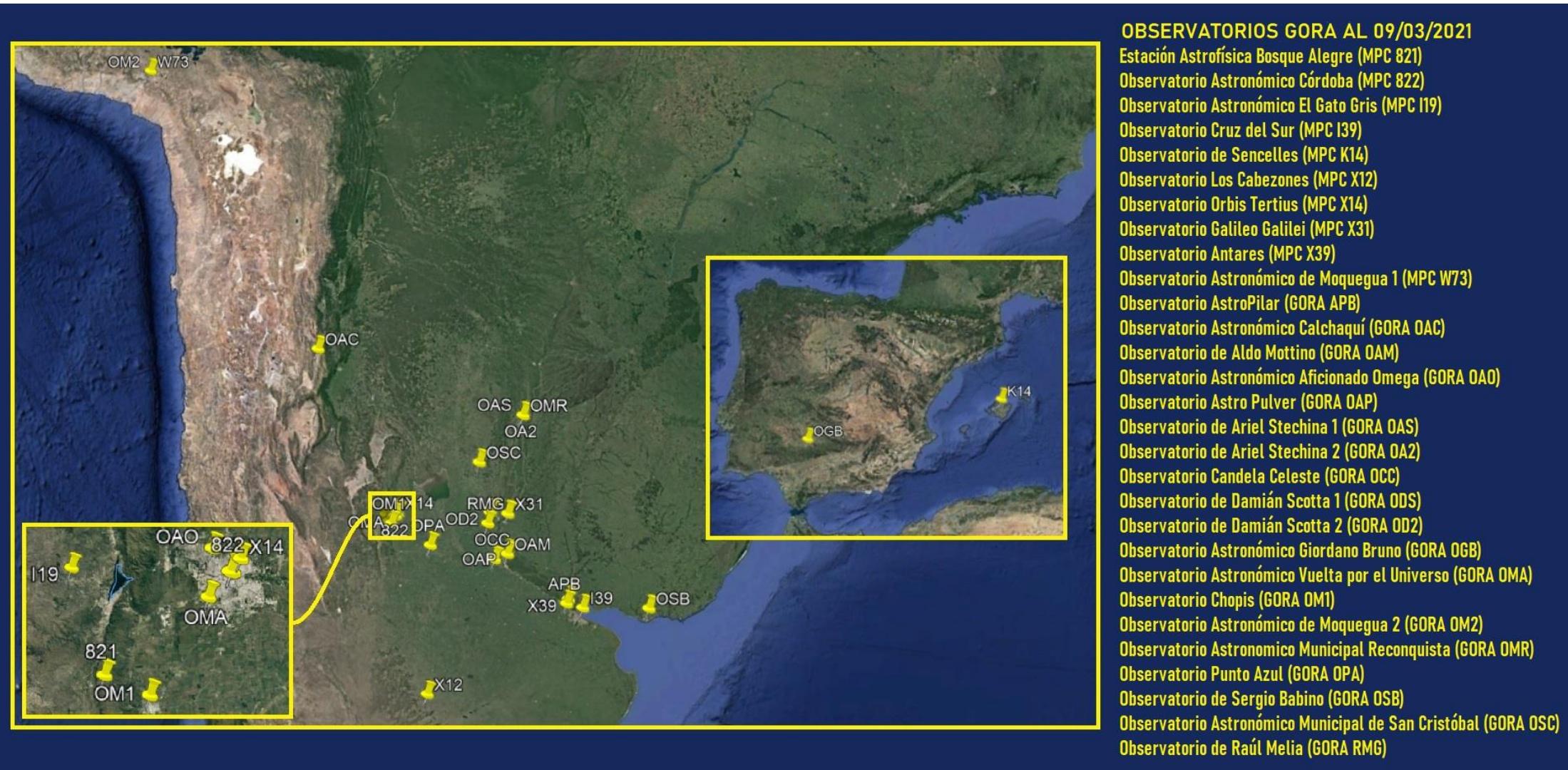
- T1M f/8 → high precision photometry
- Stellar occultations already demonstrated
- Useful for partial dips + faint stars → better reconstructions

MAIN FEATURES

Diameter	1000mm
Focal length	8000mm
Detector CCD	KAF-16803
Type of CCD	Front Illuminated
FOV CCD	15.7" x 15.7"
Pixels	4096 x 4096
Pixel Size	9 um
Pixel Scale	0.23"/pix



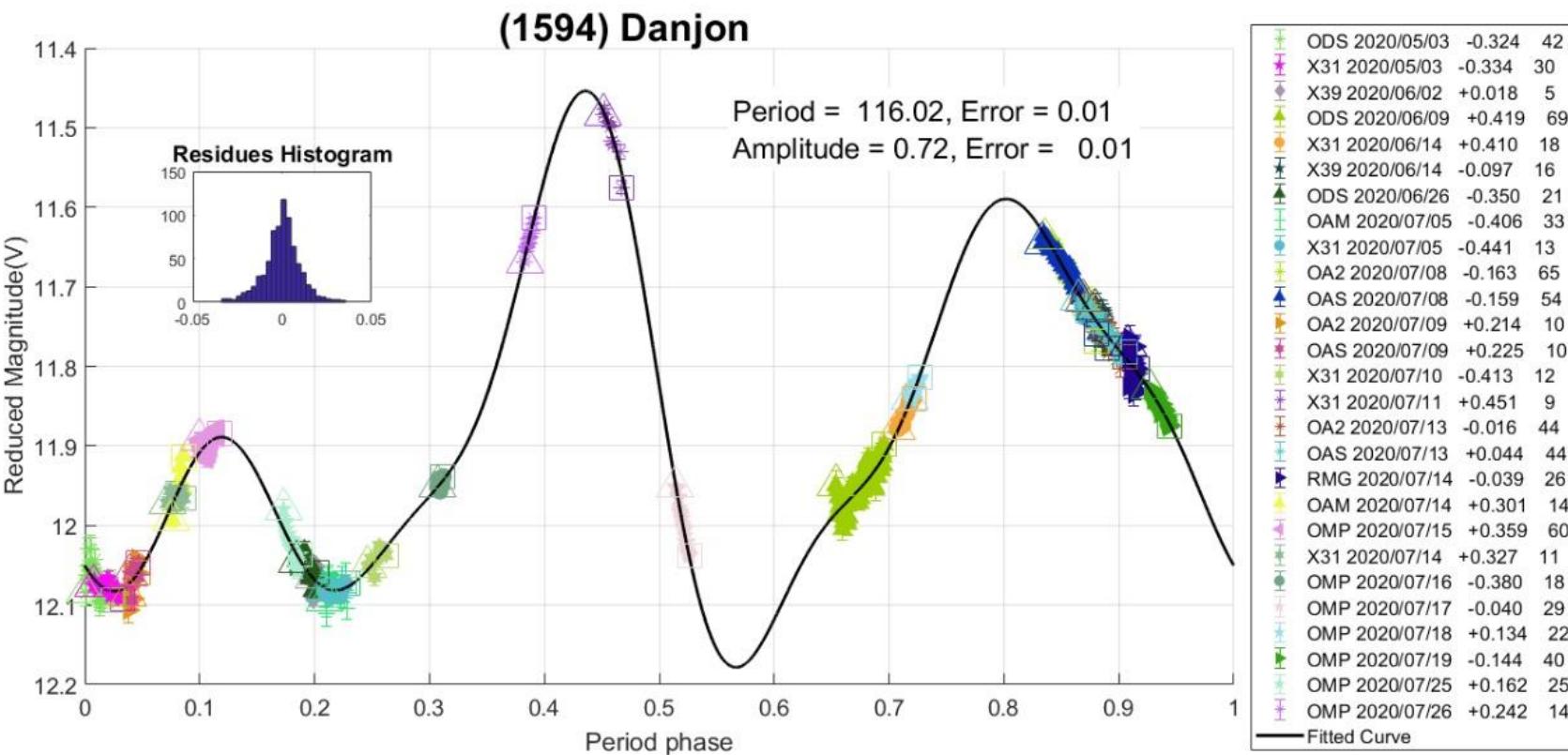
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PRO-AW



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(Colazob et al. 2020)

Observatory	Telescope	Camera
Estación Astronómica Bosque Alegre	Newtonian (1560 mm; f/4.9)	CCD
Observatorio El Gato Gris	Newtonian (355 mm; f/10.6)	CCD
Observatorio Cruz del Sur	Newtonian (200 mm; f/4.0)	CMOS
Observatorio Orbis Tertium	Newtonian (200 mm; f/5.0)	CCD
Observatorio de Socoales	SCT (254 mm; f/4.9)	CCD
Observatorio Galilei	Newtonian (200 mm; f/8.0)	CCD
Observatorio Antares	Newtonian (250 mm; f/5.0)	CCD
Observatorio AstroPolar	ODK (250 mm; f/6.8)	CCD
Observatorio de Aldo Martíno	Newtonian (254 mm; f/4.7)	CCD
Observatorio de Arequipa	Newtonian (254 mm; f/4.7)	CMOS
Observatorio de Arequipa	Newtonian (305 mm; f/5.0)	CCD
Observatorio de Ariel Stechina 1	Newtonian (254 mm; f/4.7)	CMOS
Observatorio de Ariel Stechina 2	Newtonian (305 mm; f/5.0)	CCD
Observatorio de Damian Scotti	Newtonian (300 mm; f/4.0)	CCD
Observatorio de Moquegua	Newtonian (100 mm; f/4.0)	CCD
Observatorio Municipal Reconquista	Newtonian (254 mm; f/4)	CMOS
Observatorio Raúl Melis	SCT (200 mm; f/10.0)	CCD
Observatorio Raniborg	SCT (286 mm; f/10.0)	CCD
Observatorio Marañones	SCT (286 mm; f/7.6)	CCD
Observatorio Nuevos Horizontes	SCT (235 mm; f/6.3)	CCD
Observatorio Montecabrer	SCT (300 mm; f/9.2)	CCD
Blue Mountains Observatory	SCT Edge (355 mm; f/7.0)	CCD

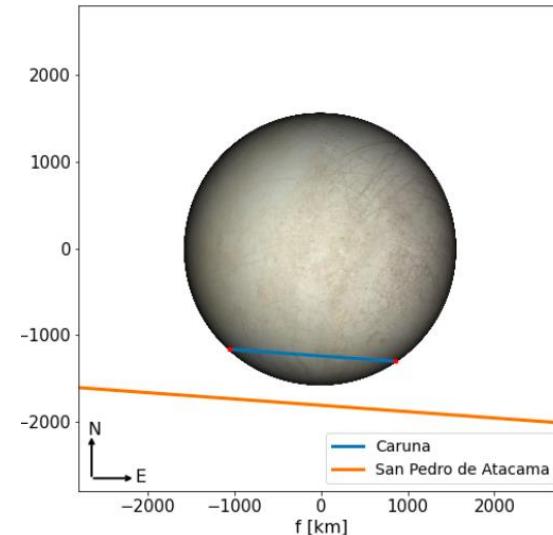
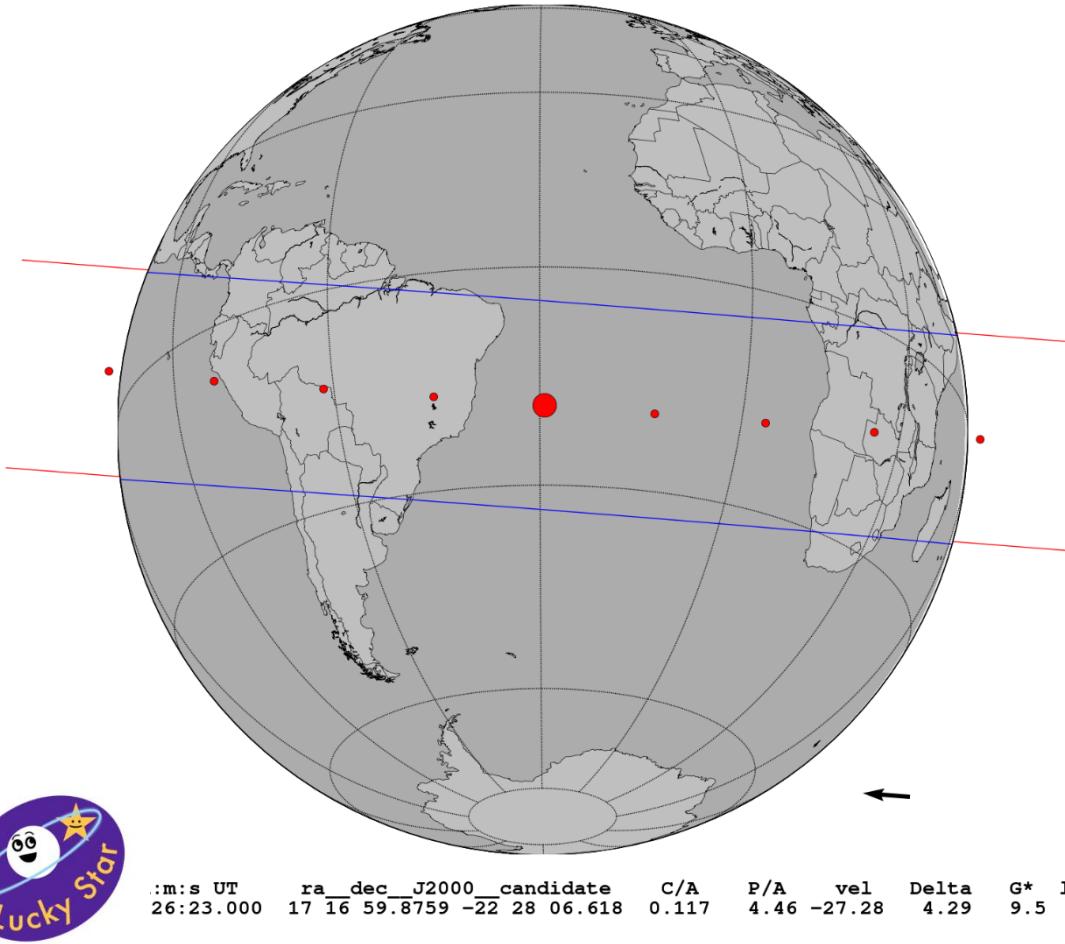
Table I. List of observatory and equipment.

Number	Name	2Myr/miss/d	Phase	Lead	Res	Period(s)	P.E.	Amp.	A.E.	Gp
17	Hemisyne	07/11-07/09/02	11.7,117.2	258	16	26.12	0.01	0.02	0.01	MB-0
189	Menippe	02/28-06/06	*17.0,17.9	269	-8	11.98	0.07	0.05	0.01	MB-0
191	Kolga	07/23-09/08	13.7,19.9	270	11	17.59	0.01	0.50	0.01	MB-0
236	Hymno	03/21/04/21	*9.8,1.6	209	3	12.34	0.08	0.10	0.01	MB-0
261	Frymon	06/09-07/30	18.9,25.6	235	2	8.00	0.01	0.37	0.01	FLOR
270	Alathea	04/21-05/16	*3.8,1.1	231	-1	15.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	MB-0
469	Argentina	04/21-07/26	*8.7,20.4	227	-14	8.79	0.01	0.11	0.01	MB-0
530	Turandot	08/11/09/15	6.5,18.5	307	-1	19.94	0.00	0.17	0.01	MB-0
584	Semiramis	04/10-05/03	11.3,20.1	174	-12	5.07	0.03	0.24	0.05	MB-1
923	Phoebe	05/18-07/03	6.1,18.1	209	11	15.57	0.01	0.01	0.01	MB-0
936	Kunigunde	09/09-09/24	*4.1,12.7	389	-3	8.83	0.01	0.29	0.01	THIM
994	Othilid	03/19-05/02	*15.8,5.8	219	-11	5.95	0.01	0.11	0.01	MB-1
1127	Arabia	08/15-08/23	1.9,4.8	328	-3	11.55	0.02	0.45	0.03	MB-0
1180	Lu	07/23-09/20	2.1,1.7	304	-4	12.92	0.01	0.09	0.01	FLOR
1249	Rollandia	04/03-06/14	*2.1,15.1	199	3	39.81	0.01	0.08	0.01	HIL
1594	Danjon	05/03-07/26	*10.9,30.3	242	0	116.02	0.00	0.72	0.01	MB-1
3519	Ambiorix	07/11-09/21	*9.0,27.9	305	-1	5.78	0.03	0.29	0.05	MB-1
5279	1998 OR2	05/08-05/17	36.9,33.3	233	-20	4.01	0.00	0.19	0.03	NEA

Table II. Asteroids with a minimum phase angle. The phase angle is given for the first and last date. If it is preceded by an asterisk, the phase angle reached an extremum during the period. Lva and Res are the approximate phase angle bisector longitude/latitude at mid-date range (see Harris et al., 1984). Grp is the asteroid family/group (Warner et al., 2009). FLOR: Flora; HIL: Hilda; MB-1/O: main-belt inner/outer; NEA: Near-Earth Asteroid; THIM: Themis

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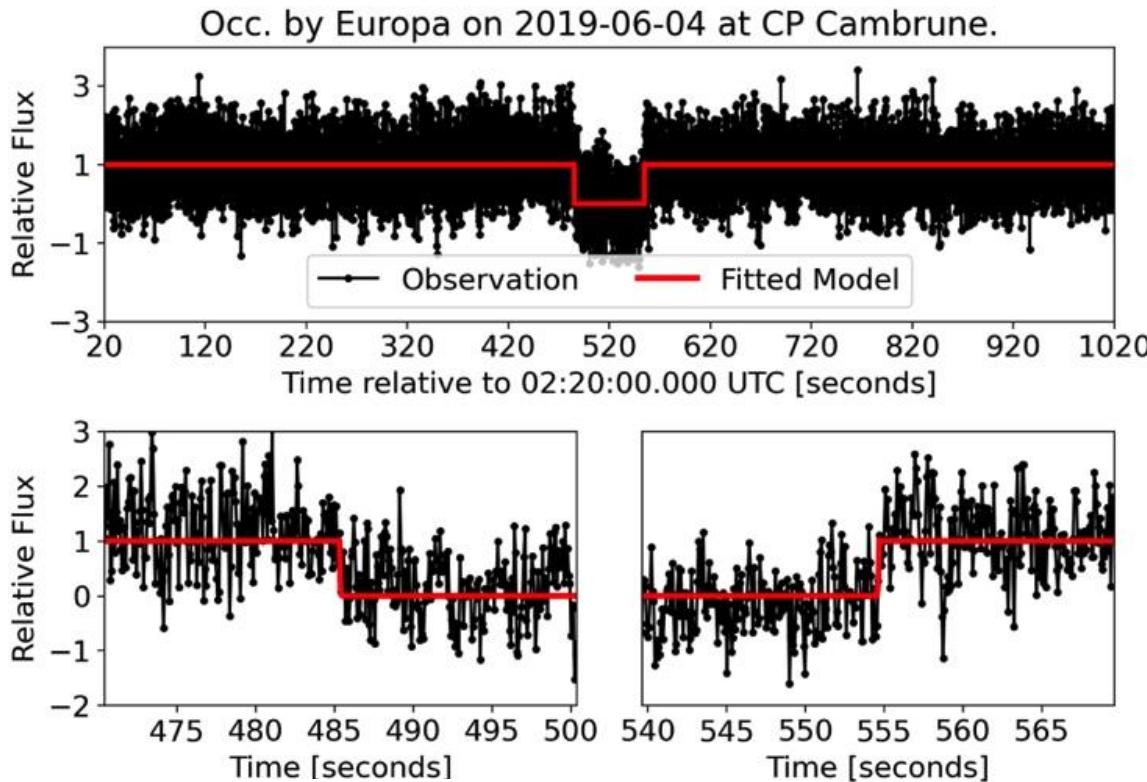
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4.-Mitigation Through Observations

STELLAR OCCULTATION AS MITIGATION

Table 1. Overview of orbital altitudes (h), sizes (R_s), angular diameters (θ_s), speeds (v_s), and crossing times (τ_s) of satellite categories.

Orbit/class	h (km)	R_s (m)	θ_s ($''$)	v_s (km s^{-1})	τ_s (ms)
LEO 'CubeSat'	400	0.5	0.5	7.67	0.13
LEO 'Starlink'	400	5	5.2	7.67	1.30
LEO 'KeyHole'	400	15	15.5	7.67	3.91
GPS 'Galileo'	20 000	2	0.04	3.89	1.02
GEO 'Orion'	36 000	100	1.14	3.06	65.2

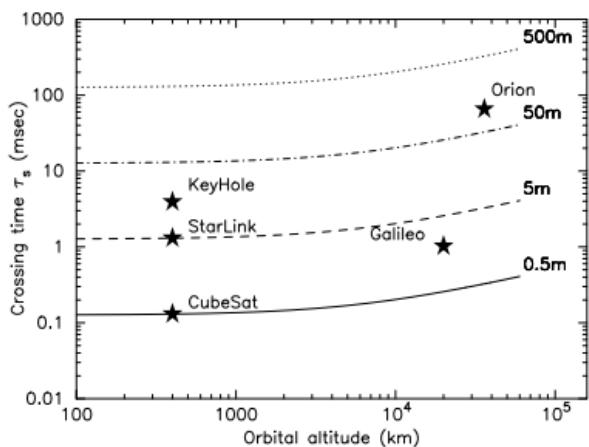


Fig. 1. Shadow crossing time as a function of orbital altitude of a satellite around Earth, for various satellite sizes. Indicated are representative classes of satellites in LEO, MEO, and GEO orbits.

Why occultations matter:

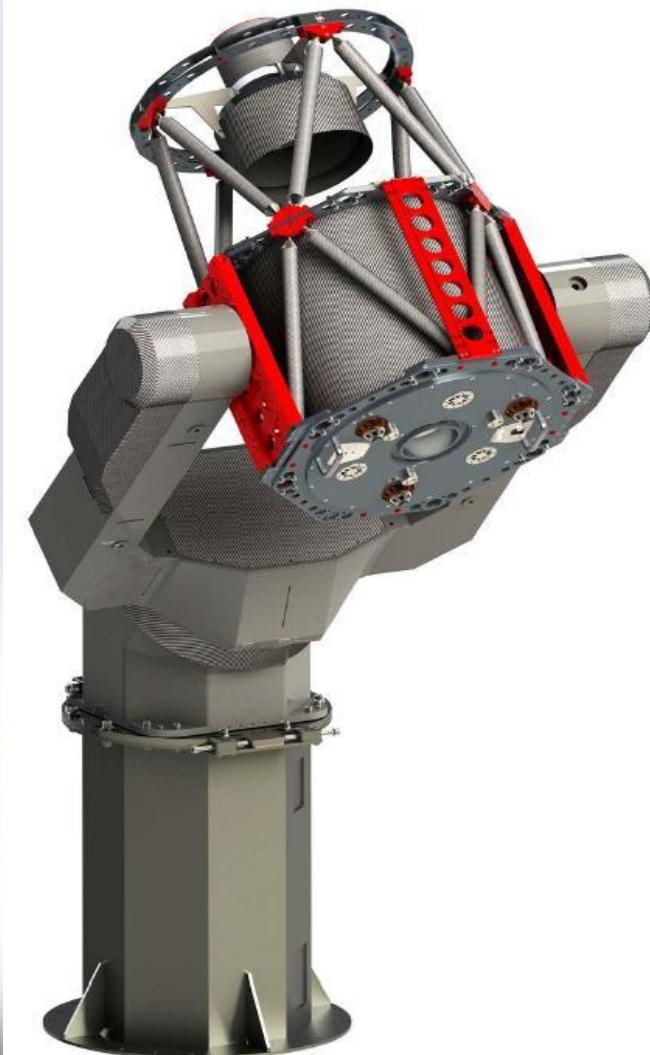
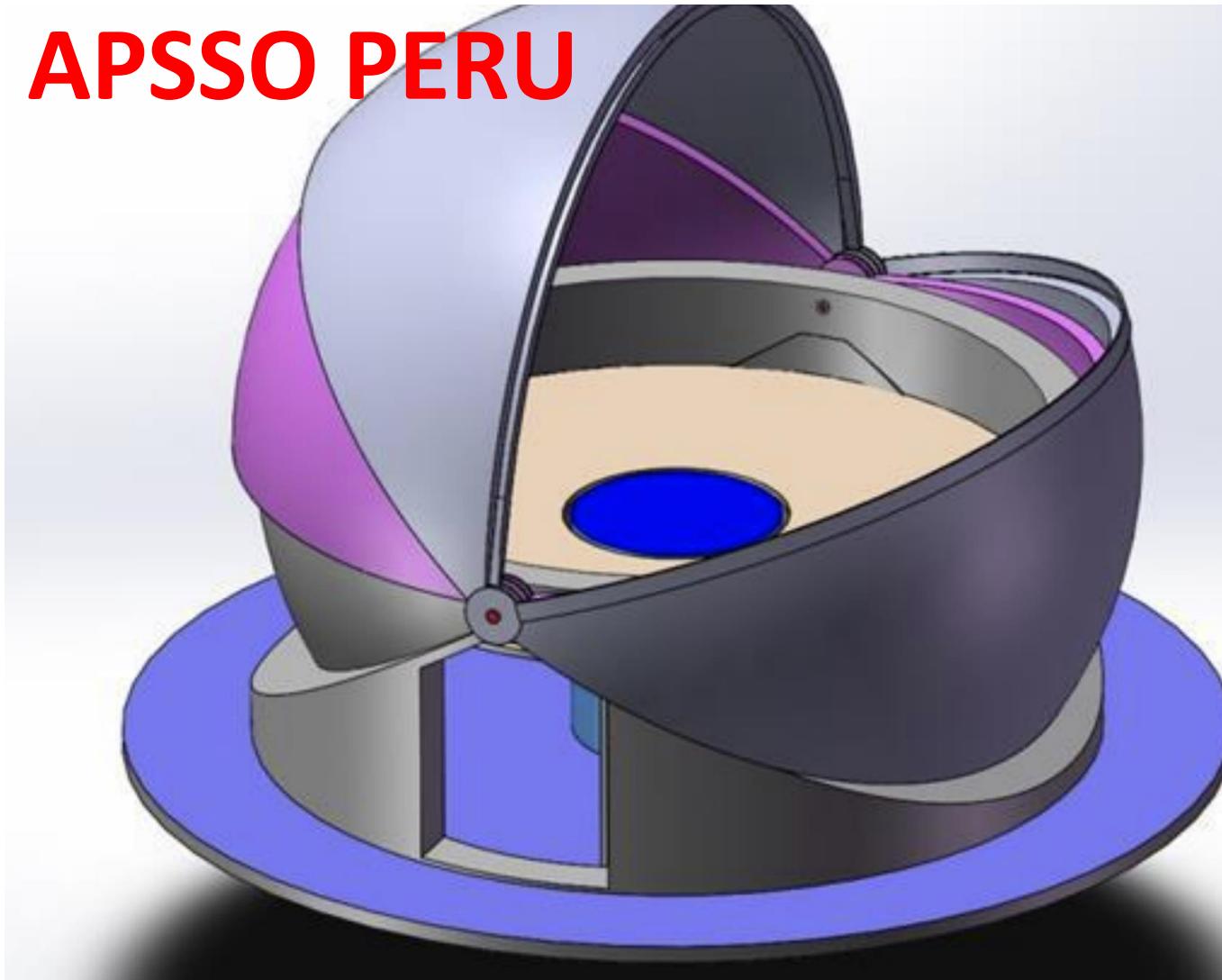
- Size/shape estimation
- Attitude changes
- LEO/GEO potential
- Wide-field telescope increases event probability

Groot, P. J. (2022)

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COMBINED ESTRATEGY

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TWO-TELESCOPE STRATEGY

- APSSO (60 cm): rapid detection, high cadence
- T1M (1 m): detailed follow-up
- Complementarity = stronger scientific + mitigation output
- Occultations + light curves (RSOs) = actionable SSA data



CONCLUSIONS AND NEXT STEPS

- Reopening = new capability for Peru and global community
- DarkSky (ongoing).
- Technical request for occultation-mode with APSSO
- Main mitigation (try observe satellite occultation + RSO photometry)
- OAM positioned to support international SSA networks





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