



ASTRO-WISE

ASTRO-WISE pre-kickoff

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ASTRO-WISE **This Meeting**

- NOVA - director
- this group - pre-kickoff
 - kickoff-meeting Feb/March 2002
 - design review T0 + Q1
- ASTRO-WISE status
- latest news

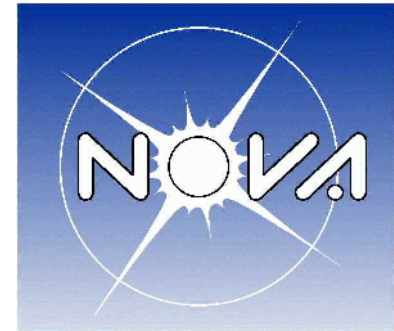


ASTRO-WISE **This Meeting - today**

- **purpose of meeting**
 - identify tasks and persons for workpackages
 - profiles NNs
 - prepare design review T0+Q1

Agenda

General introduction

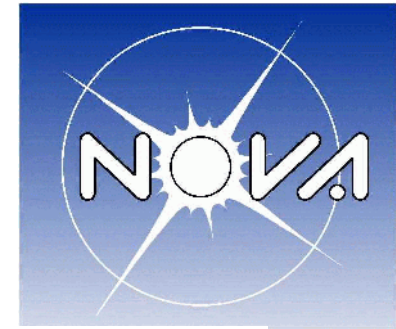


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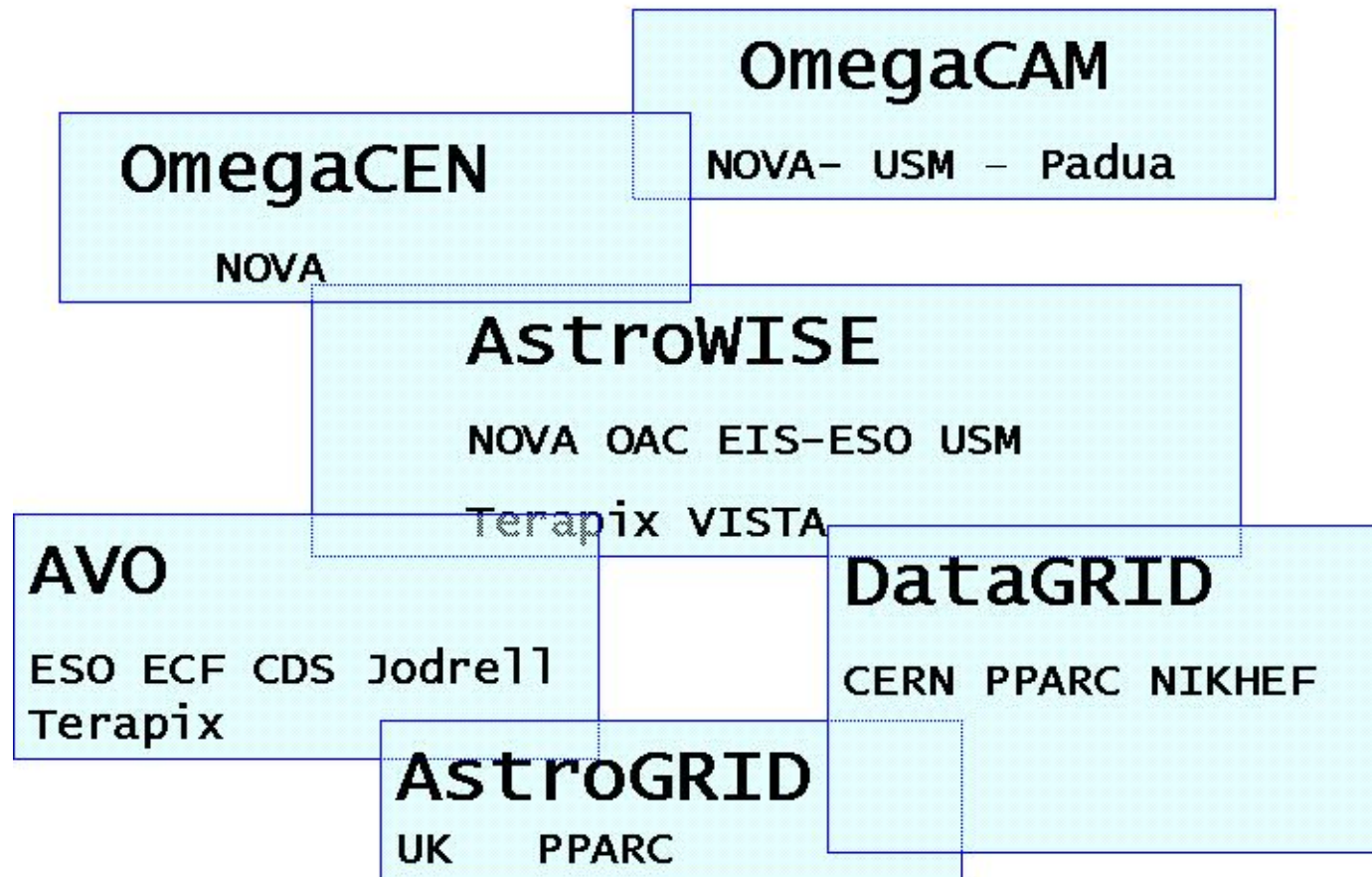
Participants: NOVA, ESO, OAC, Terapix, USM and VISTA / Co-ordinated by NOVA – Valentijn – Kapteyn Institute

A RTD programme EC Research Directorates "Enhancing access to Research Infrastructures"

- to provide a **European astronomical SURVEY SYSTEM**, consolidating **European wide field imaging expertise**, joining the efforts of several **National WFI data centres + ESO, OmegaCAM + VISTA survey system**
- **facilitating astronomical research, data reduction, and data mining**
- **establish through common standards, a European wide shared computing infrastructure.**
- **coordinates the development of software tools**
- **produce VLT targets, Survey products, products for AVO**
- **TOOLS: procedures, classes, and federated databases**
- **EXPERTISE: the first step towards GRID, ASTRO-GRID, AVO**



The GRID of GRIDS





ASTRO-WISE - NATIONAL DATA CENTERS- **TASKS**

- **Hardware -**
 - Beowulf parallel processors (32) - WP4
 - Terabyte storage - RAID disks (dozens) WP5
- **Front-end processing:** Pipeline - (re-)processing WP1
 - error evaluation/ reliability
 - stacking/ differencing of science images etc.
- **Back-end processing:** Analysis - WP2
 - source extraction - User tunable, e.g. sExtractor
 - search engine (query and associate Tbyte source lists)
 - tell me *everything* about this sky position



ASTRO-WISE - NATIONAL DATA CENTERS- **Implementation**

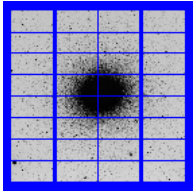
• **STANDARDS - WP6**

- - OmegaCAM procedurizing of all observations URD, CAI Plan, DFS
- - liaison VISTA
- - external: AVO, ASTROGRID, DATAGRID

• **FEDERATIONS- WP3**

- oo database:
 - source lists
 - source code
 - pipeline administration, calibration and image data WP3

• **Python scripting WP1, WP2 WP3**




PROCEDURIZING CALIBRATIONS - **Photometry**

The baseline requirement for the photometric calibration of the broad band

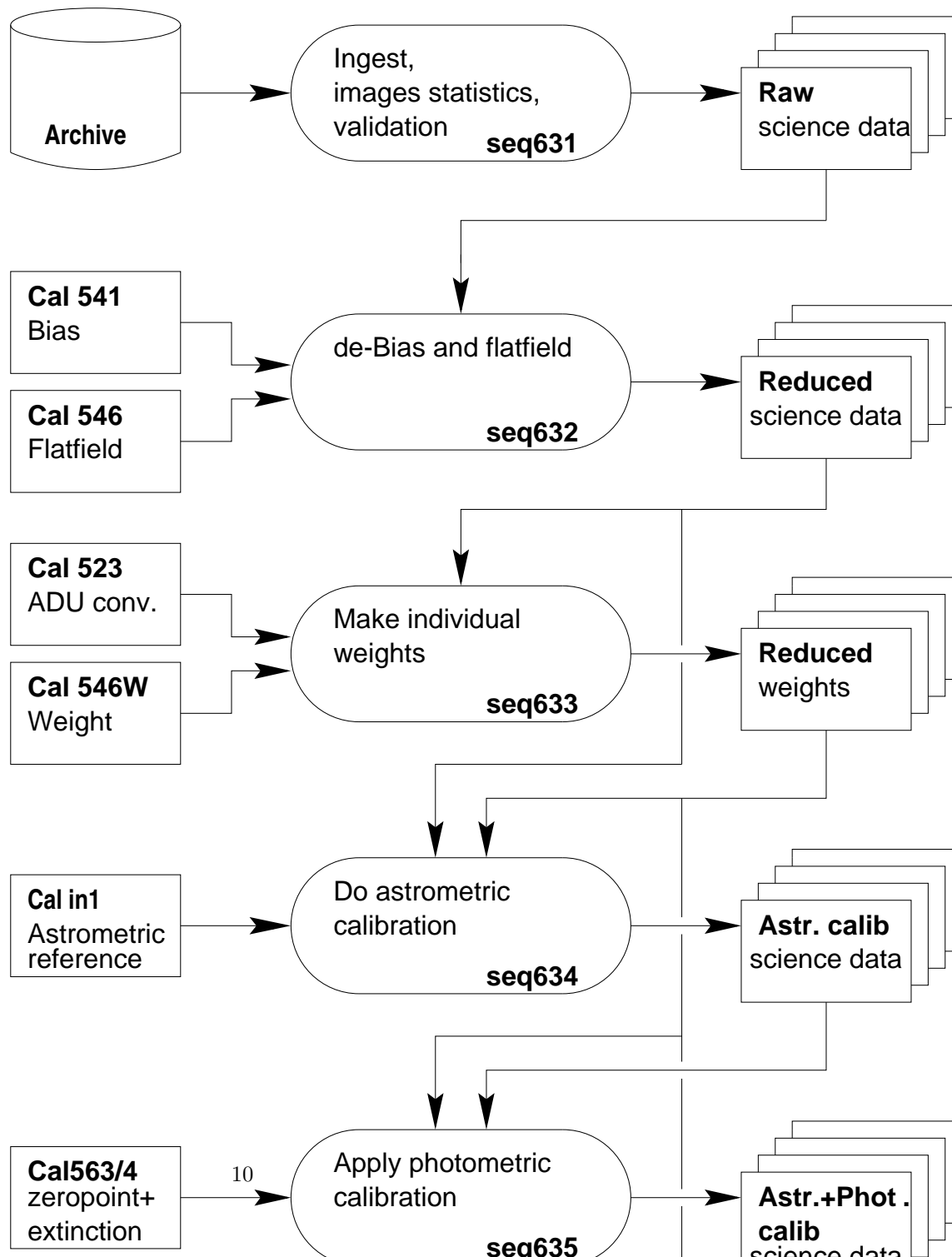
- **accuracy** of better than 5% on the photometric scale in ‘instrumental magnitudes’ as assigned to the units of the resultant output image of the “image pipeline”.
- The accuracy of the **colour transformation** terms of instrumental to standard systems should be better than 10% on the photometric scale.

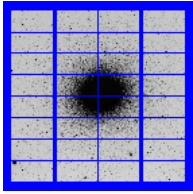
OmegaCAM specific concepts:

- **maintain instrument continuously** over years of operation
- **key passbands** ($X = B, V, R$ and I or u', B, V, i') – **overriding programme / FREQ**
- **two lens correctors** (near Zenith, the baseline, key configuration) and an **atmospheric dispersion corrector -ADC** for operations in User mode at larger Zenith angles.
- a **composite key filter** ($X = B, V, R$ and I in each quadrant)  ,
- a standard **polar field/FREQ** , observable throughout the year
- **8 equatorial fields/FREQ**, containing both primary and secondary standard stars (Landolt fields)
- a **dome lamp** and screen equipped with a stabilized power supply,
- **32 CCD's** are operated simultaneously, with the exception of the composite filter which ‘feeds’ 8 CCDs simultaneously in one pass band.
- data rates should stay within limits that allow processing and storing of the data with the currently anticipated technology.
- A **standard atmospheric extinction curve** is adopted and all atmospheric extinction in various pass bands is taken as a scaling of this curve.
- procedures data-taking, calibration pipeline (**timestamping**)

$$g_0 \times g(t)$$

Image pipeline dataflow





THE GEOGRAPHICAL PIPELINE – HIGHLIGHTS

- **design pipeline** both for ESO-HQ and the National data centers
 - Pipeline ESO DFS pipeline infrastructure compliant
 - pipelines operated at ESO HQ- but copied to NATIONAL centers
 - export of all image and calibration pipeline code to National centers
 - export of administration and calibration files to National centers
- **parallel processing**– Beowulf 32 parallel Linux Gigabit Pc's
- **design datamining by users**
 - **source extraction** at National centers
 - **re-processing with full access to calibration and administration data**
- **tools - object oriented, but specific for OmegaCAM**
 - **Python** scripting language - **import libraries, expertise, re-cycle existing code!**
 - Object oriented data base – **Objectivity/db Oracle 9i**
 - federated db, all pipeline administration, VIRTUAL OBSERVATORY
 - both has proven **fast development** is possible, low maintenance

