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APPLICATION FOR OBSERVING TIME

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Application No.	
Observing period	P107
Received	

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By specifying the names under item 2.3 it is obligatory to also send out these observers to La Silla, if required. Correspondence on the rating of this application will be sent to the applicant (P.I.) as quoted under 2.1 above.

3. Observing programme: Category: ☒ E

Title : **Warm gIaNts with tEss (WINE): planet validation with FEROS**

Abstract : The discovery and characterization of transiting giant planets ($R_P > 4 R_{\oplus}$) orbiting bright stars is key for tackling at least two major challenges, namely (i) which properties govern the internal structural composition of planets, and (ii) how giant planets can be found orbiting significantly inside the ice line. It is expected that the *TESS* mission, which is already in operation, will detect > 300 warm giant planets orbiting stars brighter than $V = 13$ mag. Warm giants are ideal for tackling the challenges described. In the context of a collaboration including researchers from Chile we propose to use FEROS, complemented by a suite of other instruments in Chile, to lead the discovery and detailed characterization of warm giant planets and other interesting systems whose transits are uncovered by *TESS*.

4. Instrument: ☐ WFI ☒ FEROS ☐ GROND

5. Brightness range of objects to be observed: from 9 to 14 V-mag

6. Number of hours:

applied for			already awarded	still needed
157			623	157
no restriction	grey	dark		

7. Optimum date range for the observations: 01.04.2021 – 30.09.2021
Usable range in local sidereal time LST: 8:00h – 4:00h

Astrophysical context

The number of transiting exoplanets has increased steadily, thanks to dedicated ground and space based (e.g., HATNet [1], *Kepler*) transit surveys. The successfully working TESS mission [2] is expected to find ~ 4000 transiting planets around bright stars ($V < 13$ mag) ([3]), thus doubling the number of known systems. Transiting exoplanets provide us with a unique opportunity to improve our knowledge of planetary formation, structure, and evolution. E.g., combining the radius derived from photometry with the mass derived from radial velocity (RV), allows us to constrain the planetary composition by comparing the parameters with those predicted by structure models (e.g. [4]).

Despite the large number of discovered transiting exoplanets, only 433 have masses and radii determined at the 20% precision level. Most of them are hot Jupiters (HJs, Fig. 1), which have periods < 10 days. Their cooler counterparts, warm Jupiters (WJs), defined as giant planets with periods $10 - 300$ days, still remain poorly characterised since most of them orbit faint stars, complicating RV follow-up. The existence of these close-in giant planets pose many challenges for planet formation models. It is believed that they formed beyond the ice line and migrated inwards either through (i) disk interactions ([5]), in which planets are kept on circular and aligned orbits or (ii) through interactions with a third body, resulting in eccentric and misaligned orbits. While the eccentricities and obliquities of HJs are strongly affected by tidal and/or magnetic interactions with the host star, for WJs these parameters contain reliable information about their formation and migration processes. Hence, a systematic detection of transiting WJs, along with a detailed characterization of their orbital parameters, is crucial. Simulations of the expected TESS yield ([3]) predict that it will discover more than 300 giant planets ($R_p > 4R_{\oplus}$) with $P > 10$ d orbiting bright stars ($V < 13$) in the Southern hemisphere (see Fig. 2). Such a statistically significant sample of warm giant planets will allow for the first time to constrain the long-standing challenges about their formation, evolution, and structure.

Immediate aim

We propose to obtain precise RV measurements with FEROS of TESS candidates to perform for the first time a systematic characterization of the population of transiting WJs. Our plan includes a wide range of facilities, but the project's scientific success heavily relies on the FEROS time.

TESS's large pixel size makes it hard to identify the source producing the transits. Consequently, our team uses CHAT, a 0.7 m telescope at LCO, and the LCOGT network with 1.0 m telescopes at Siding Springs and SAAO, to perform photometric follow-up observations to identify the star responsible for the transit signal. GAIA DR2 is also used to exclude false-positive sce-

narios and to improve the stellar parameters of the host. In addition, our team has been granted 13 nights of NTT/Astralux Sur time to identify close companions to TESS targets through lucky imaging. In terms of spectroscopy follow-up, we have ~ 90 guaranteed nights each year with the FIDEOS spectrograph at the ESO 1.0 m telescope to perform RV monitoring of WJ candidates orbiting the brightest stars ($V < 10$). We also submitted a 9n HARPS proposal to detect ~ 20 WJs with $K < 30 \text{ m s}^{-1}$. In this proposal, we aim to use FEROS to detect ~ 80 WJs with amplitudes $K > 30 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ orbiting moderately bright stars $11 < V < 13$, and ~ 35 WJs with $K < 30 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ orbiting stars with $V < 11$. The full analysis of the systems (transits + RVs) will be MPIA-led using the *juliet* code, which was developed at MPIA ([6]) and focuses on disentangling stellar activity and planetary signals around active stars.

Previous work

Our team has confirmed several TESS gas giant exoplanets ([8, 7, 27, 28, 29]), even pushing the limits of FEROS to detect an ultra-short period planet (HD 213885 b [9], see Fig. 3). We also have four confirmed warm giant exoplanets in preparation (Rojas et al., in prep.; Espinoza et al., in prep.; Hobson et al., in prep.) and several promising candidates needing RV follow-up observations (Fig. 4). Our team is a dedicated partner in the HATS project, leading 1/3 of HATS papers as first authors ([10],[11], [12],[13], [14],&[15]) and participating in all other papers. We have also characterized several transiting exoplanets from the *K2* mission ([16, 17, 18, 19]). Our team has the experience and the facilities needed to become a leading group on exoplanetary characterization in the TESS era.

Layout of observations

We plan to obtain FEROS spectra in Object-Calibration mode, in order to trace the instrumental velocity drift through the night. Exposure times will be calculated via the FEROS exposure time calculator, taking into account the brightness of the stars to obtain a sufficient signal to noise ratio, necessary to achieve precise RV measurements. Typical exposure times for a $V \sim 12$ mag star is of ~ 20 min. The reduction and analysis will be performed with the CERES pipeline ([20]) developed for the echelle spectrographs of La Silla (FEROS, CORALIE, and HARPS), enabling to reach RV precision down to 5 m s^{-1} (see section 8e).

Strategic importance for MPIA

Building on the success of HATS, we established a new strategic collaboration for TESS follow-up observations, which will combine FEROS with other facilities. The search for WJs is an important goal for the PSF department with strong links to formation models, which will be investigated with our theory group.

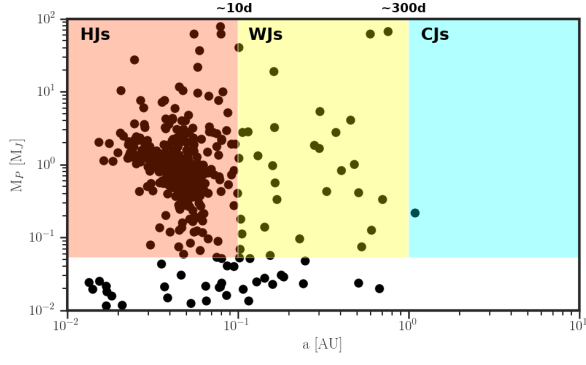


Figure 1: Distribution of transiting planets in the planet mass versus semi-major axis plane having masses and radii determined with a 20% precision or better. The coloured regions represent the different insolation regimes (orange: hot Jupiters, yellow: warm Jupiters, blue: cold Jupiters). Warm Jupiters, which are key for constraining theories of the formation and orbital evolution of giant planets, have been sparsely detected.

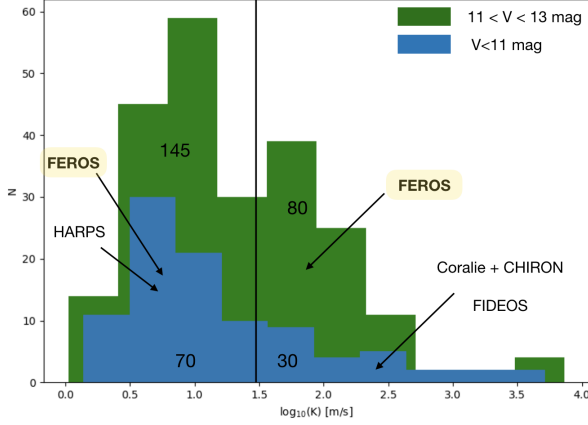


Figure 2: Predicted TESS yield of warm giant planets orbiting bright stars ($P > 10d$, $R_P > 4 R_{\oplus}$, $V < 13$) according to [3]. The FEROS time of this proposal will be primarily used for characterizing the population of giant planets ($K > 30 \text{ m s}^{-1}$) orbiting moderately bright stars ($11 < V \text{ mag} < 13$), and super Neptune mass planets ($K < 30 \text{ m s}^{-1}$) orbiting bright stars ($V < 11 \text{ mag}$).

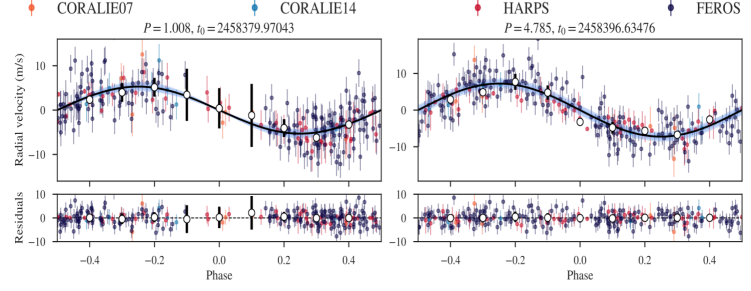


Figure 3: Phase folded radial velocities for the multi-planetary system HD213885 discovered by TESS and analysed using our in-house tool *Juliet*. Note the low-amplitude of the signals detected ($5.3 \pm 0.39 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ and $7.26 \pm 0.48 \text{ m s}^{-1}$) and the number of FEROS RV observations that were a key to characterize precisely this system.

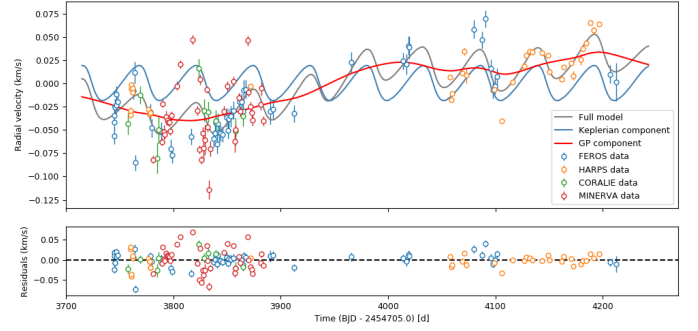


Figure 4: RVs for TOI-201, a WJ with period of 52.9781 d and $e = 0.23^{+0.08}_{-0.10}$, orbiting a young, active star. The long temporal baseline of the FEROS RVs was key to characterizing the stellar activity through a Gaussian process.

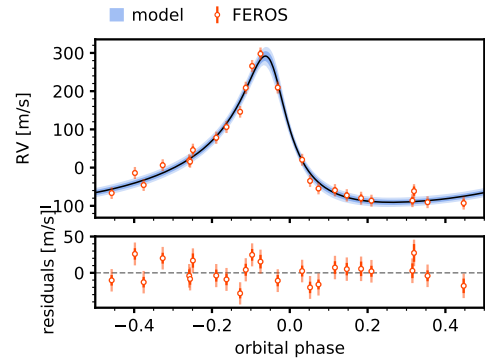


Figure 5: Phase folded FEROS RVs for TIC-237913194 b, a WJ with a period of $15.17d$, on one of the most eccentric orbits of all known warm giants ($e = 0.575 \pm 0.011$). Figure from [28].

Over the past 25 years, more than 4300 exoplanets were discovered mostly thanks to ground-based radial velocity surveys and the Kepler mission ([21]). The transit method is by far the most successful detection technique contributing to more than 3700 exoplanets. This large sample allows one to do statistical analysis, which was not previously possible. One major discovery is that even though hot Jupiters are easy to detect, they are very rare ([22]). These close-in giant planets still present a challenge for theorists, as their radii are larger than is predicted by standard thermal evolution models ([23]). WJs, on the other hand, generally have equilibrium temperatures of $T_{eq} < 1000$ K, and their structures are not significantly affected by proximity effects. The detection and characterization of transiting WJs is crucial to calibrate theoretical structural models that can then be used on HJs to understand which variables are responsible for inflating their radii. Therefore, increasing the sample of such planets is very important and would allow us to better understand their evolution. By carrying out a systematic, long-term RV follow-up programme with FEROS, we can confirm and characterize these WJs while also disentangling stellar activity effects. A long temporal baseline on a stable, precise instrument such as FEROS is vital to this project. With the TESS extended mission currently reobserving the Southern skies, this is a critical time for simultaneous RV monitoring.

Data reduction and analysis

The spectra obtained with FEROS are extracted using the CERES pipeline, expressly written for this instrument and optimised for the subsequent radial velocity measurements. A complete description of CERES can be found in ([20]). In brief, each spectrum is extracted and subsequently calibrated in wavelength using the ThAr spectra. The RV is then measured cross-correlating the observed spectrum with a binary mask chosen according to the spectral class of the target.

Additionally, the bisector of the CCF (i.e., the deformation of the line shape) is determined as a supplemental parameter. It serves as a diagnostic tool to rule out false-positive scenarios such as blended eclipsing binaries, or stellar activity effects. We also measure stellar activity indicators such as H_α and $\log R'_{HK}$, and estimate the atmospheric stellar parameters including effective temperature T_{eff} , surface gravity $\log g$, and metallicity $[Fe/H]$.

The precision in RV obtainable with CERES is of the order of 5-10 m/s. FEROS is, therefore, a very competitive instrument for the measurements of the RVs of stars in the southern hemisphere.

Results highlight

Our team contributed with many exoplanet discoveries using both ground-based surveys (HATSouth) and space-based surveys (K2) and already characterized

several TESS candidates. The characterized planets span a large region in parameter space, ranging from small planets down to $\sim 9 M_\oplus$ around an active M dwarf ([19]) to massive ones three times Jupiter's mass ([13]). HATS-59 [14] is the first multi-planetary system discovered by HATSouth, composed of a hot Jupiter and an outer massive companion, and only the 8th system with a resolved orbit of the outer companion with a period of 1422 days. Also worth mentioning is HATS-17b: the longest period transiting exoplanet discovered by a ground-based transit survey ([24]). We contributed with many well characterized hot Jupiters ([10, 11, 17, 15]). Our team also characterized 3 warm Saturn-like planets both on eccentric orbits and discovered as part of the K2 mission ([18, 16]). HATS-6b and HATS-71b are two out of only four confirmed transiting hot Jupiters around M dwarfs ([25, 26]). By combining FEROS data with photometry from multiple instruments, we recently discovered a warm Jupiter with one of the most eccentric orbits known and showed that its properties are inconsistent with it being a hot Jupiter progenitor ([28], Fig. 5). Finally, this program provided crucial candidates for the theoretical work by Paula Sarkis, who recently constrained the radius anomaly of hot Jupiters ([30]).

Future Plans

TESS is the most important mission for exoplanet search presently in orbit. After observing the full sky over two years, it is now re-observing the Southern hemisphere and expected to discover more than 300 giant planets around bright stars ($V < 13$ mag), suitable for RV follow-up observations with FEROS. We plan to systematically characterize the full population of transiting WJs that will be unveiled by TESS. **To accomplish this goal, our program requires a total of 780 hours of telescope time distributed into 5 semesters of which we were already awarded 309 hours for P103 and P104. We were awarded 157 hours for P105, but no observations were carried out due to the COVID-19 shutdown. Likewise, operations have not yet resumed for P106, for which we were also awarded 157 hours.** For the next semesters, should we be able to complete 157 hours in P106, we still need a further 157 hours to complete the RV monitoring of the remaining systems predicted from the TESS simulations (Fig 2, see also Section 10). Many of these discoveries will be suitable for atmospheric characterization with JWST and hence they will have a large impact.

FEROS is a strategically well-placed instrument and is one of the few suitable instruments in the Southern hemisphere for follow-up RV observations. Our well-established team of researchers at the MPIA, STScI, and PUC and UAI in Chile has demonstrated the experience and facilities needed to excel in the exoplanet field and be a leading group in the TESS era.

9. Objects to be observed

(Objects to be observed with high priority should be marked in last column)

Designation	α (2000)	δ (2000)	magnitude in spectral range to be observed	priority
TIC243167068	1 ^h 4 ^m 15.60 ^s	19° 44' 13.57''	13.75	1
TIC52059926	1 ^h 7 ^m 05.44 ^s	−68° 22' 05.17''	13.72	1
TIC408261355	1 ^h 12 ^m 03.61 ^s	15° 34' 42.92''	13.86	1
TIC206541859	1 ^h 12 ^m 11.64 ^s	−56° 55' 31.40''	10.94	1
TIC54002556	1 ^h 34 ^m 05.15 ^s	−14° 25' 08.94''	12.46	1
TIC257527578	3 ^h 5 ^m 10.23 ^s	−21° 56' 01.13''	11.23	1
TIC358107516	3 ^h 24 ^m 54.82 ^s	−73° 57' 27.17''	13.00	1
TIC262843259	3 ^h 30 ^m 07.49 ^s	−60° 52' 32.24''	13.16	1
TIC237922465	3 ^h 49 ^m 21.35 ^s	−60° 47' 13.87''	13.02	1
TIC238197638	3 ^h 49 ^m 57.37 ^s	−72° 47' 37.44''	12.02	1
TIC371188886	9 ^h 45 ^m 35.30 ^s	−66° 41' 11.88''	10.98	1
TIC460205581	10 ^h 28 ^m 08.95 ^s	−64° 30' 18.76''	10.63	1
TIC179230828	10 ^h 34 ^m 24.00 ^s	−23° 44' 02.62''	13.44	1
TIC147660886	10 ^h 56 ^m 07.60 ^s	−43° 22' 36.11''	9.87	1
TIC169249234	10 ^h 43 ^m 32.84 ^s	−1° 54' 45.71''	12.80	1
TIC49043968	10 ^h 57 ^m 23.79 ^s	−29° 59' 49.64''	11.97	1
TIC82707763	11 ^h 19 ^m 50.07 ^s	−51° 51' 57.86''	10.81	1
TIC181018601	11 ^h 32 ^m 24.00 ^s	−38° 19' 31.78''	13.71	1
TIC272211411	12 ^h 0 ^m 28.43 ^s	−47° 14' 09.07''	11.41	1
TIC334305570	12 ^h 12 ^m 28.50 ^s	−49° 0' 27.85''	9.84	1
TIC22317640	12 ^h 15 ^m 38.24 ^s	−47° 11' 53.31''	11.95	1
TIC204671232	12 ^h 19 ^m 55.81 ^s	−27° 17' 05.41''	12.65	1
TIC204698337	12 ^h 22 ^m 07.07 ^s	−24° 56' 35.47''	13.54	1
TIC83154030	12 ^h 35 ^m 20.30 ^s	−18° 1' 46.12''	13.48	1
TIC286864983	12 ^h 40 ^m 45.94 ^s	−21° 52' 22.01''	11.57	1
TIC253126207	12 ^h 58 ^m 44.16 ^s	−58° 28' 36.27''	11.43	1
TIC1695417	13 ^h 3 ^m 07.43 ^s	−14° 12' 21.62''	10.25	1
TIC308211363	13 ^h 12 ^m 37.00 ^s	−17° 52' 08.82''	12.89	1
TIC20579360	13 ^h 24 ^m 40.24 ^s	−19° 53' 46.18''	13.37	1
TIC328934463	13 ^h 40 ^m 49.04 ^s	22° 59' 02.29''	11.94	1
TIC437329044	13 ^h 50 ^m 20.36 ^s	−23° 23' 00.16''	10.55	1
TIC418012030	14 ^h 10 ^m 33.31 ^s	26° 25' 24.35''	11.68	1
TIC158978373	14 ^h 34 ^m 37.99 ^s	−40° 44' 23.50''	10.55	1
TIC75650448	15 ^h 3 ^m 20.89 ^s	−35° 13' 50.08''	12.90	1
TIC148478039	15 ^h 21 ^m 17.40 ^s	−38° 49' 58.49''	13.29	1
TIC142648205	15 ^h 27 ^m 47.43 ^s	−53° 26' 28.91''	12.15	1
TIC186072225	15 ^h 32 ^m 20.38 ^s	−25° 26' 00.02''	11.94	1
TIC380836882	18 ^h 0 ^m 32.36 ^s	−65° 36' 49.71''	11.57	1
TIC390874411	19 ^h 48 ^m 10.41 ^s	21° 31' 30.69''	10.33	1
TIC207078179	21 ^h 23 ^m 22.54 ^s	−38° 31' 56.81''	12.01	1
TIC290403522	22 ^h 3 ^m 49.93 ^s	−72° 26' 26.98''	10.79	1
TIC219332978	22 ^h 34 ^m 34.71 ^s	−57° 34' 13.52''	11.23	1
TIC161169240	22 ^h 37 ^m 25.88 ^s	−53° 19' 08.55''	12.75	1
TIC139147770	22 ^h 57 ^m 46.88 ^s	−42° 56' 16.49''	11.85	1
TIC188620407	23 ^h 20 ^m 12.27 ^s	−13° 2' 58.05''	12.03	1
TIC49710555	23 ^h 28 ^m 39.48 ^s	−10° 51' 34.63''	12.94	1
TIC224279805	23 ^h 42 ^m 57.23 ^s	−40° 46' 20.02''	12.62	1
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^a TESS alerts of each Sector are made public after the observations of the Sector. Hence, the list of candidates could evolve when future data from upcoming sectors are released.

10. Justification of the amount of observing time requested:

Using the predicted yield of TESS ([3]), we estimate that TESS will detect ~ 300 WJs ($R_p > 4R_\oplus$ and $P > 10$ days) around bright and moderately bright stars ($V < 13$ mag). FEROS will be systematically used to characterize all (~ 80) moderately bright systems ($11 < V < 13$) presenting RV semi-amplitudes of $K > 30$ m s $^{-1}$ (type I candidates), and also a fraction ($\sim 50\%$) of the lower mass systems ($K < 30$ m s $^{-1}$) orbiting bright ($V < 11$) stars (type II candidates). In order to constrain the orbital parameters and measure the planetary mass with a precision around 20%, we anticipate we need around 20 spectra at different orbital phases. We assume that there will be also an equal number of false positives among our candidates that can be discarded after 4 RV observations.

For type I candidates, with a mean exposure time of 1200s, we require 640 hours to fully characterize these systems. **As for type II candidates**, with an execution time of 600s, we need 140 hours.

Thus, to succeed in systematically characterizing warm giant planets detected with TESS, we need around **780 hours** of telescope time, distributed into 5 semesters.

For this semester, we are applying for 157 hours.

We reduce and analyse the data immediately every night. This allows us to quickly discard false-positives and hence focus on promising targets and use the allocated time more efficiently.

11. Constraints for scheduling observations for this application:

Since our candidates have a wide spread in RA and DEC, the schedule can be very flexible, and as we have many candidates to observe at any time, we can avoid collecting redundant data. **We, however, prefer if our observations can be scheduled evenly throughout the semester as much as possible.** In the previous semester, we successfully managed to share time with Olga Zakhozhay. This allowed us to have approximately 2 months of continuous observations. This is especially important for the planets where only one transit was observed. However, we understand that this might not be feasible and we plan to continue sharing time with Olga Zakhozhay.

12. Observational experience of observer(s) named under 2.3:

(at least one observer must have sufficient experience)

Martin Schlecker has abundant experience observing with FEROS. Melissa Hobson has good experience with other spectrographs such as HARPS.

13. Observing runs at the ESO 2.2m-telescope (preferably during the last 3 years) and publications resulting from these

Telescope	instrument	date	hours	success rate	publications
2.2m	FEROS	Oct 15 - Mar 16	143 hrs	83%	[12] [13], [14]
2.2m	FEROS	Apr 16 - Sep 16	163 hrs	85%	[10], [15], [11]
2.2m	FEROS	Oct 16 - Mar 17	162 hrs	85%	[10], [15], [11]
2.2m	FEROS	Apr 17 - Sep 17	181 hrs	100%	[10], [15]
2.2m	FEROS	Oct 17 - Mar 18	124 hrs	100%	[10], [15]
2.2m	FEROS	Apr 18 - Sep 18	165 hrs	100%	[8], [9]
2.2m	FEROS	Oct 18 - Mar 19	160 hrs	100%	[7], [9]
2.2m	FEROS	Apr 19 - Sep 19	149 hrs	100%	[18], [28], [29]
2.2m	FEROS	Oct 19 - Mar 20	145 hrs	93%	[28], [29], and many in prep.
2.2m	FEROS	Apr 20 - Sep 20	175 hrs	0% (closed)	

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Tolerance limits for planned observations:

maximum seeing:	2.5''	minimum transparency:	60%	maximum airmass:	1.9
photometric conditions:	no	moon: max. phase / \angle :	1/30°	min. / max. lag:	0/0 nights