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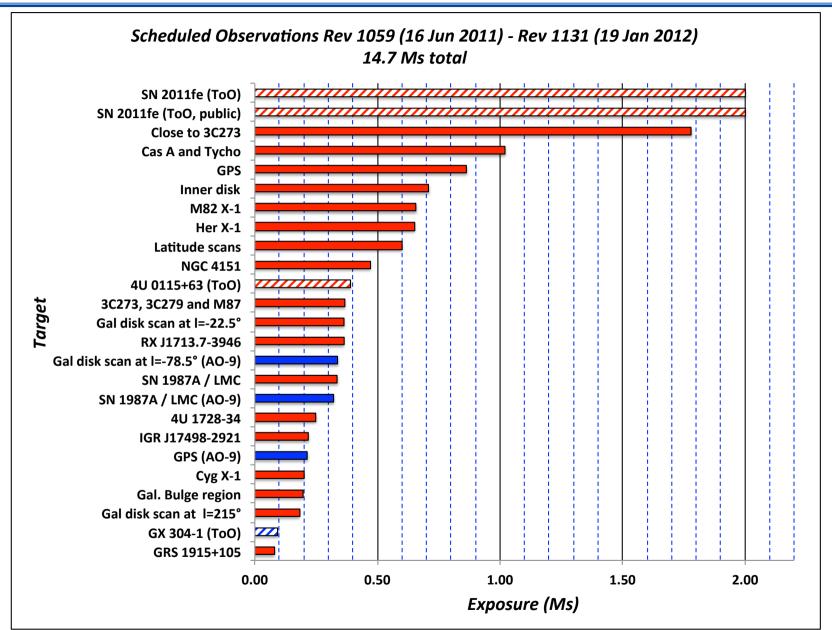


Science highlights





Observatory status: scheduled observations





TOO follow-up observations + GRB (June 2011 – Jan 2012)

Trigger Date	Source	PI	Comments
21 June 2011	4U 0115+63	S. Tsygankov	#840021, scheduled
26 August 2011	SN 2011fe	J. Isern	#840007, scheduled
27 September 2011	SN 2011fe	R. Diehl/IUG/ public	Unsolicited, scheduled
14 January 2011	GX 304-1	D. Klochkov	#940023, scheduled
5 July 2011	PKS 1510-089	A. Tramacere	Unsolicited, overlap with existing proposal
25 Aug 2011	SN 2011fe	N.Barriere	Unsolicited, overlap with existing prospoal
16 October 2011	Aql X-1	S. Campana	#840015, lower priority than on-going ToO (SN 2011fe)
21 October 2011	PKS 1510-089	E. Pian	#840008, source visible only after 27 Dec
GRB 110708A	GRB inside FOV	L. Hanlon	#840025
GRB 110903A	GRB inside FOV	S. Sazonov	#840026



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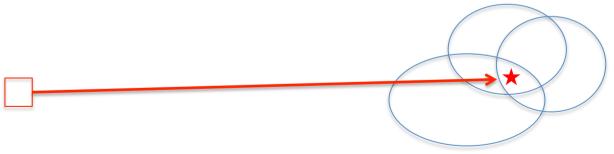
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Community Response to AO-9

- AO-9 second call [data rights proposals], 5 Sep 14 (17) Oct 2011
- 52 proposals
- 155 subscribed fields
- 477 sources
- TAC recommended 47 proposals: 16 November 2011



Example (see Dec 2010 IUG mtg):

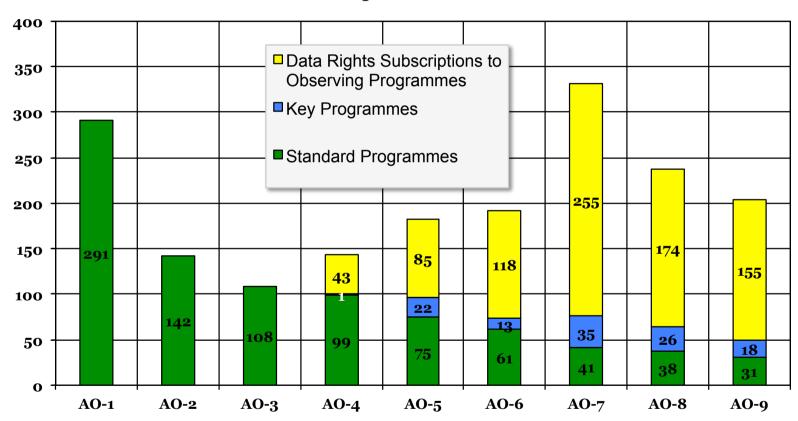
1 data right proposal ☐ applies for data rights on 1 source ★ which is covered by 3 observations.

Therefore: # proposals = 1, # sources = 1, # subscribed fields = 3



Response to AO-9

Number of observing proposals and data-rights subscriptions received in response to INTEGRAL AO





Carry-over AO-8 \rightarrow AO-9 \rightarrow AO-10

- SN 2011fe (1x2 Ms + 2x1 Ms = 4 Ms = 2 months elapsed time)
 - o significant impact on the observing programmes included in the AO-8 LTP.
- Nature decided to place it near/close the anti-centre/GC visibility window
 - o total annual visibility for anti-centre/GC is ~ 8 Ms/year, spring and fall windows
- Carry-over (scheduled time > 25% approved): schedule /w priority next AO
- "Standard" LTP planning for AO-9: some long programmes located in the GC/anti-centre window would **not** continue/carry-over in AO-10 (< 25%), or would **not** be started at all (0%).
- LTP planning strategy for AO-9 modified for the GC/anticentre window:
 - have as many different GC/anti-GC observations as possible
 - reduce frequency of monitoring programmes (Bulge, GRS 1915, GPS, spiral arms)
 where possible
 - reduce ToO "earmark" (was 2.2 Ms)

₩ Same numerical carry-over from AO-9 into AO-10, but "load" is shared



Planning for AO-10

AO-9 programmes in GC/anti-centre visibility window – can't finish them

Proposal ID	Title	PI	Approved Target	Approved Time [ksec]	To be carried over to AO-10 [ksec]
0920005	Keeping watch over our Galaxy - the return of the GPS	Bazzano	Gal. plane scans	2000	1200
0920008	Broad Band Variability of Microquasars: Integral observations of Cygnus	Wilms		1200	170
	X-1 and GRS 1915+105		GRS 1915+105		
0920013	Determining the longitude distribution of the asymmetric e+/e- radiation	Weidenspointner	Inner Galactic disk	2500	700
	from the inner galaxy.		(l=+-15)		
0920015	INTEGRAL Monitoring of the Inner Spiral Arms	Bodaghee	Perseus/Norma	1200	800
			Scutum/Sagittarius		
0920025	Observing the Galactic Center Region with INTEGRAL	Wilms	GC: Sgr A*, Sgr B2	2000	1100
0920002	Probing relativistic electrons in the Galaxy and its halo (@ I = 0)	Strong	Galactic halo scans	1600	220
0920021	Deep Galactic Anticentre Survey: an INTEGRAL must	Ubertini	Region at I=150	2000	720

- As of mid Dec 2011, the <u>total</u> carry-over from AO-9 into AO-10 will be 4.9
 Ms (100% completion), or 3.5 Ms (85% completion)
- Note that proposals #920002 ("B", galactic halo scans at I = 10°/20°), #920017 ("C", SS 433), #920024 ("C", 4U 0614+91) can not be done at all in A-10.
- What are the options for AO-10, i.e. how to treat the "carry-over" further on ?



Options for observing time in AO-10

- A. Do nothing special, this is "bad luck".
 - + Within general boundary conditions of an AO; nature "decided"
 - Possibly many grumpy users: attractive GC/anti-centre affected.
 - Carry-over will continue affecting AO's beyond AO-10
- B. In AO-10, first, complete the uncompleted observations (GC/anti-centre window) from AO-9, and, reduce the new open time in AO-10 from 24 Ms accordingly to, say, 20 Ms
 - + Solves the carry-over "long-term" problem: global "reset" for AO-11
 - ± Note that 18 Ms open time were offered during early years (CP!)
 - Grumpy users (less time), less proposals, less "new ideas" ?
 - The 8 Ms GC/anti-centre window will already partially used by those carried over from AO-9! Inform community in AO-10 docs!
- C. Other options, not considered any further....
 - Combine AO-10 and AO-11 in one AO, lasting two years
 - Modify the duration of AO: no synch with end of calendar year
 - Choose AO-9 observations above a certain TAC rank, all grades



AO-10 Schedule

- Preliminary schedule (V 0.1)
 - 12 March 2012: Release AO-10 (1st call, observing proposals)
 - 20 April 2012: Submission deadline
 - June 2012: TAC meeting
 - 3 September 2012: Release AO-10 (2nd call, data rights proposals)
 - 29 September 2012: Submission deadline
 - November 2012: TAC chair meeting (TBC)
 - 01 Jan 2013: Start AO-10 cycle of observations (until 31 Dec 2013)



IUG: rotation of membership

- The two-year term will end in July 2012 for external members
 - Margarida Hernanz
 - Maurizio Falanga
 - Marc McConnell
- Please e-mail proposals for candidates to CW.
- External IUG members should be active researchers in the field of highenergy astrophysics and be regularly using INTEGRAL scientific data. They should not formally be affiliated with INTEGRAL PI teams (neither instruments nor ISDC).
- The term will be four years.



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Discovery of ⁴⁴Ti line emission from SN 1987A

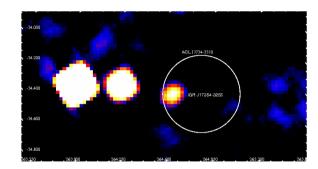
S. Grebenev et al., Nature, submitted, Nov 2011

IGR J17354-3255 as a candidate intermediate SFXT possibly associated with the transient MeV AGL J1734-3310

V. Sguera et al., MNRAS 417, 573, 2011

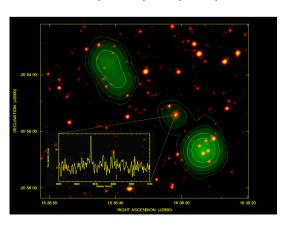
Extended hard X-ray emission from the Vela pulsar wind nebula

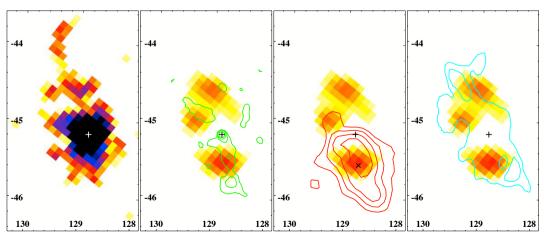
F. Mattana et al., ApJ 743, L18, 2011



The water maser in the INTEGRAL source IGR J16385-2057

A. Tarchi et al., A&A, 532, 125, 2011







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Outreach: status since last meeting (June 2011)

Outreach Activity	Status	
9th INTEGRAL Workshop (15 - 19 October 2012) and 10th INTEGRAL launch anniversary (17 October 2012). CW requested various items, see next slide	Most of the requested items were approved	
Web-stories		
Constraints on Lorentz Invariance Violation (Laurent et al.)	Published 30 Jun 2011	
Reflection in Seyfert galaxies (Ricci/Walter)	Published 2 Aug 2011	
Variability of outflow in Mkr 509 (Kaastra et al., XMM-led story)	Published 29 Sep 2011	
INTEGRAL discovery of extended hard X-ray emission above 18 keV from the Vela nebula (Mattana et al.)	Approved 18 Dec 2011	
Diffuse emission measurement with SPI as an indirect probe of cosmic- ray electrons and positrons (Bouchet et al.)	Published 21 Dec 2011	

Suggestions and proposals for new outreach products to Chris, please

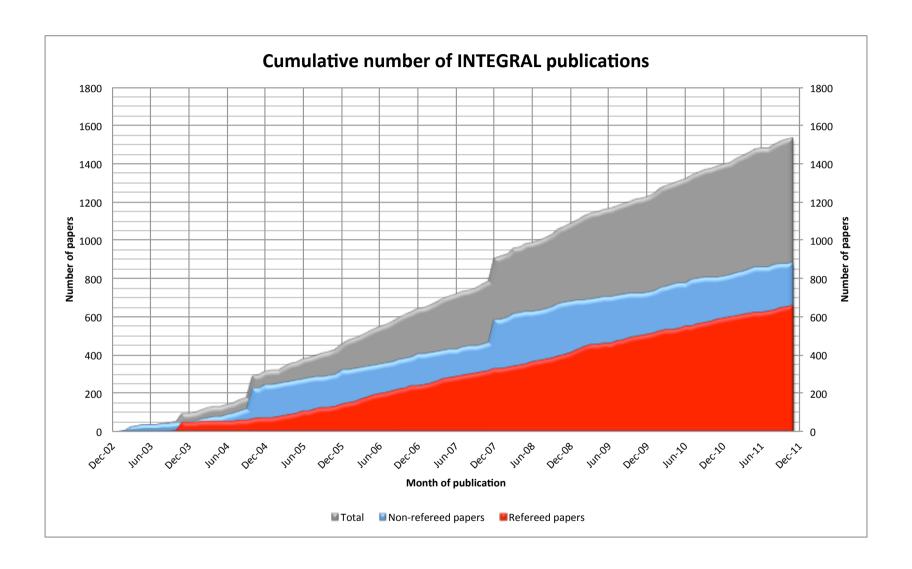


10th launch anniversary/INTEGRAL #9 (2012)

- CW requested in Feb 2011 several outreach products from the "SRE Communication Committee".
- Approved on 6 October :
 - workshop reception & travel support (as for all previous workshops, not new)
 - workshop poster
 - polo shirts
 - multi media show to display INTEGRAL pictures and movies
 - Conference dinner in Paris for about 300 people, including (retired) ex-Integral colleagues as guests
 - ESA brochure (e.g. INTEGRAL after 1, 5 years, see Pietro's annual brochures)
 - web story about workshop/launch anniversary
 - production of a news feature for Euronews (TV)
 - shipment of models scale 1:4 and 1:10 and various display/exhibit walls
 - stickers and mouse pads
 - conduct a student competition (for school students 11-19 years)
 - special gifts for INTEGRAL PIs and selected key people
 - ESA bulletin article about 10 years with INTEGRAL

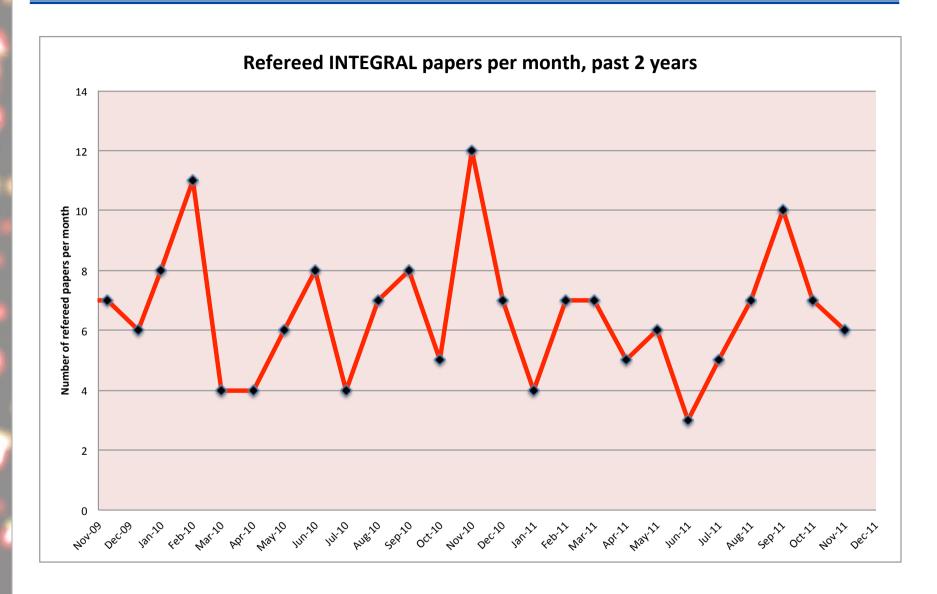


Publications (Oct 2002 – Nov 2011)



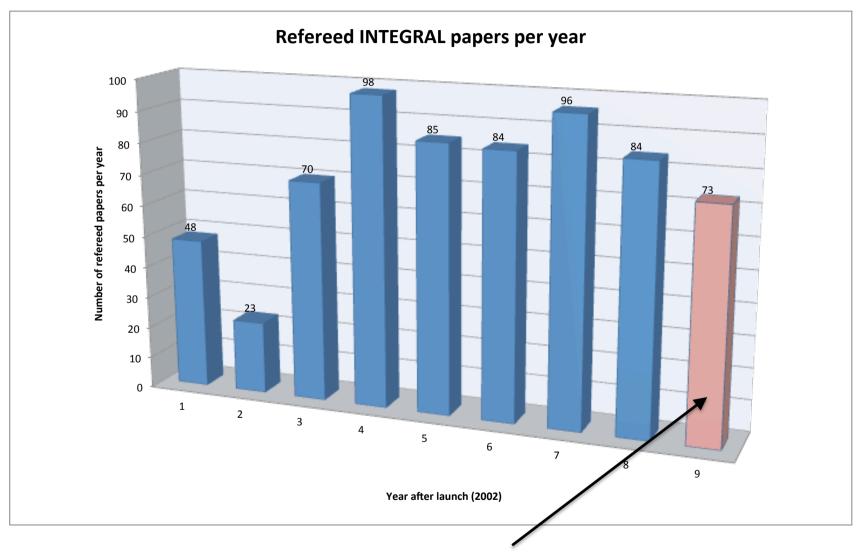


Monthly publication rate, past 2 years





Yearly publication rate



Projected for 2011: 67 (Jan-Nov) + 6 (monthly average, Dec) = 73



IUG Dinner

18 January 2012, 19:30

IUG Dinner @ "Trattoria Mimmo",

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