

The IVOA Standard Vocabulary

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Introduction.

Astronomical vocabulary: present status

A&A thesaurus,
A&A keywords

A new Standard Vocabulary

starting lists:

A&A thesaurus,
A&A keywords,
Abstracts of papers in the 6 major journals, years 2000-2005,
ucd1+,
Simbad's object types

... ...

General rules to form words for the **VO standard vocabulary**:

- an IVOA element of the Standard Vocabulary (an element) is described following the same general syntactical rules already used in the IVOA standard UCD1+ :
root-concept [[[subordinate-concept(s)] ; concept-specification(s)]..]
root-concept is always an atom, subordinate-concepts and concept-specifications can be words (combinations of atoms)
- generally accepted abbreviations are used when the alternative is simply quite long. The border is somewhere between "ISM" instead of "interstellar_medium" and "supernova" instead of "SN" and obviously a question of taste.
- general groupings are plural when appropriate (e.g. "stars", "galaxies")
- sub-groupings are singular (e.g. "stars.cluster") or adjectival (e.g. "galaxies.active") as appropriate
- capital letters are used when normally used (e.g. "region.HII", not "region.hii")
- embedded spaces are dropped and bridged with capital letters (e.g. "dwarfNova", not "dwarf nova" or "dwarf_nova")
- hyphens are kept as usual (e.g. "X-ray")

- object names assumed as archetypal of an object class (e.g. "RRLyrae" = "RR Lyrae stars") or discoverer's name describing an object class (e.g. "Seyfert" = "AGN of a type first described/discovered by Prof. Seyfert") will be sub-words of "class" (e.g. "stars.variable;class.RRLyr" and "galaxies.AGN;class.Seyfert").
- in the case of Category 2 (object types) sometimes an object or a class of objects are commonly designated by an abbreviated form or acronym. In such cases the standard word can be replaced by its abbreviated form or acronym, if this appears in the standard list of "alias" words (e.g. "alias.GRB" is equivalent to "process.variation.burst;em.gamma", and "alias.SNIa" stands for "stars.superNova;class.Ia").
- an **event** is a time-tagged phenomenon, process or formation of feature (like a spot, a ring, etc.).
- to indicate that an object (objectX) is a member of a multiple/composite object (objectY), the qualifier "stat.member" should be used. The general rule for building ucd1+ is used, i.e. the object we are interested in is in the first place. The syntax is the following:
objectX;objectY;[objectZ;...].stat.member

1. Category: “astrophysical phenomenon, process or feature”

(starting lists: A&A thesaurus, A&A keywords, UCD1+)

Description	Standard word
Extinction or absorption	phys.absorption
Atomic/molecular excitation	phys.atmol.excitation
Ionization, jump from bound to unbound energy state	phys.atmol.ionization
Transition between states	phys.atmol.transition
Molecular dissociation	phys.mol.dissociation
Polarization	phys.polarization
Astrophysical phenomenon, process or feature	process
Generic absorption of wave or particle	process.absorption
Acceleration (of particles, ..)	process.acceleration
Mass accretion	process.accretion
Gravitational collapse	process.collapse
Conduction	process.conduction
Convection	process.convection
Diffusion	process.diffusion
Circum-object disk with thickness H << R and R_in << R_out	process.disk
Eclipse of two physically related objects	process.eclipse
Generic emission of wave or particle	process.emission
Sudden brightening, outburst	process.eruption
Explosion	process.explosion
Excitation, jump in a higher energy (bound) state	process.excitation /phys.atmol.exc..
Gravitational lensing	process.gravitation.lensing
Non-resolved gravitational lensing	process.gravitation.micro-lensing
Gravitational wave	process.gravitation.wave
Generic instability	process.instability
Generic interaction between two or more distinct objects	process.interaction
Maser	process.maser
Mass loss	process.mass-loss / phys.mass.loss

Ejection, loss of a distinct body of mass	process.mass-loss.ejection
Mass-loss through a collimated jet	process.mass-loss.jet
Mass-loss through a poorly collimated wind	process.mass-loss.wind
Merging of two or more distinct objects	process.merging
Nuclear reactions, nucleosynthesis	process.nucleosynthesis
Occultation of two physically unrelated objects	process.occultation
Pulsation	process.pulsation
Non-radial pulsation	process.pulsation.non-radial
Radial pulsation	process.pulsation.radial
Radiation mechanisms: non-thermal	process.radiation.non-thermal
Radiation mechanisms: thermal	process.radiation.thermal
Circum-object ring with thickness H << R and R_in ~ R_out	process.ring
Recombination, from unbound to bound energy state	process.recombination
Redshift (as a process)	process.redshift
Rotation	process.rotation
Scattering	process.scattering
Shock front/wave (HD, MHD, Ionization, etc.)	process.shock
Distinct physical region on an object with different properties	process.spot
Starburst	process.starburst
Change in some property with time	process.variation
Generic sudden change with time	process.variation.burst
Cyclic, periodic change	process.variation.cyclic
Rapid change with time followed by a return to normalcy	process.variation.flare
Sudden change of frequency	process.variation.glitch
Very luminous state of variable object, high-state	process.variation.high-state
Quiescent or low luminous state of variable object	process.variation.low-state
Semi-regular or quasi-periodic variation	process.variation.quasi-periodic
Temporary, non periodic change	process.variation.transient

2. Category: “object types”

(spectral types and luminosity/morphological classes not yet included)

(starting lists: A&A thesaurus, A&A keywords, Simbad’s object types)

Description	Standard word	Alias
Herbig-Haro Object	ISM.Herbig-Haro	HH
SuperNova Remnant	ISM.SNRemnant	SNR
SuperNova Remnant candidate	ISM.SNRemnant;stat.possible	
Generic Cloud	ISM.cloud	
Part of Cloud	ISM.cloud;stat.partOf	
Cloud of unknown nature	ISM.cloud;stat.unknown	
High-velocity Cloud	ISM.cloud.high-velocity	HVC
Molecular Cloud	ISM.cloud.molecular	
Cometary Globule	ISM.cometaryGlobule	
Nebula of unknown nature	ISM.nebula;stat.unknown	
Bright Nebula	ISM.nebula.bright	
Dark Nebula	ISM.nebula.dark	
Galactic Nebula	ISM.nebula.galactic	
Reflection Nebula	ISM.nebula.reflection	
Planetary Nebula	ISM.planetaryNebula	PN
Possible Planetary Nebula	ISM.planetaryNebula;stat.possible	

HI shell	ISM.shell.HI	
HI (neutral) region	ISM.region.HI	HI
HII (ionized) region	ISM.region.HII	HII
Generic galaxy	galaxies	
HII galaxy	galaxies.HII	
Elliptical or lenticular galaxy	galaxies.elliptical	
Irregular galaxy	galaxies.irregular	
Spiral galaxy	galaxies.spiral	
Radio galaxy	galaxies;em.radio	
Gravitationnaly Lensed Image of a galaxy	galaxies;process.gravitation.lensing	
Interacting galaxies	galaxies;process.interaction	
Galaxy with high redshift	galaxies;process.redshift;stat.high	
Starburst galaxy	galaxies;process.starburst	
Part of a galaxy	galaxies;stat.partOf	
Active Galactic Nucleus	galaxies.AGN	AGN
BL Lac – type object	galaxies.AGN;class.BLLac	BLLac
Seyfert galaxy	galaxies.AGN;class.Seyfert	Seyfert
Seyfert 1 galaxy	galaxies.AGN;class.Seyfert1	Seyfert1
Seyfert 2 galaxy	galaxies.AGN;class.Seyfert2	Seyfert2
Active Galactic Nucleus Candidate	galaxies.AGN;stat.possible	
Blazar	galaxies.AGN.Blazar	Blazar
LINER-type Active Galactic Nucleus	galaxies.AGN.LINER	LINER
Quasar	galaxies.QSO	QSO
Gravitationnaly Lensed Image of a Quasar	galaxies.QSO;process.gravitation.lensing	
Quasar Candidate	galaxies.QSO;stat.possible	
Active galaxy	galaxies.active	
Compact Group of Galaxies	galaxies.compactGroup	
Cluster of Galaxies	galaxies.cluster	
Galaxy in Cluster of Galaxies	galaxies;galaxies.cluster;stat.member	
Dwarf galaxy	galaxies.dwarf	
Giant galaxy	galaxies.giant	
Group of Galaxies	galaxies.group	
Galaxy in Group of Galaxies	galaxies;galaxies.group;stat.member	
Pair of Galaxies	galaxies.pair	
Galaxy in Pair of Galaxies	galaxies;galaxies.pair;stat.member	
Supercluster of Galaxies	galaxies.superCluster	
Generic object in the sky	obj	
Gravitationnaly Lensed Image	obj;process.gravitation.lensing	
Region defined in the sky	obj.region	
Multiple, composite object	obj;stat.multiple	
Object of unknown nature	obj;stat.unknown	
Black Hole	obj.blackHole	BH
Black Hole Candidate	obj.blackHole;stat.possible	
Void, underdense region of the Universe	obj.void	
Micro-Lensing Event	process.gravitation.micro-lensing	
Gamma-ray burst	process.variation.burst;em.gamma	GRB
Generic source of radiation (em,	source	

gravitational) or of particles		
Far-IR source (wl >= 30 μm)	source;em.FIR	
Infra-Red source	source;em.IR	IRS
Near-IR source (wl < 10 μm)	source;em.NIR	
UV-emission source	source;em.UV	
X-ray source	source;em.X-ray	
Gamma-ray source	source;em.gamma	
Radio-source millimetric	source;em.mm	
Radio-source	source;em.radio	
Emission Object	source;process.emission	
Gravitational Source	source;process.gravitation	
Absorption Line system	source.absLineSystem	ALS
Ly alpha Absorption Line system	source.absLineSystem.Ly-alpha	
Damped Ly-alpha Absorption Line system	source.absLineSystem.Ly-alpha.damped	
Metallic Absorption Line system	source.absLineSystem.metal-lines	
Lyman limit system	source.absLineSystem.Ly-limit	LLS
Broad Absorption Line system	source.absLineSystem.Broad	
Blue object	source.blue	
Extremely Red Object (ERO)	source.extremeRed	ERO
Maser source	source.maser	
Star, Stars	stars	
Be Star	stars.spType.Be	Be
Star with envelope of CH type	stars.envelope.CH	
Star with envelope of OH/IR type	stars.envelope.OH/IR	OH/IR
S Star	stars.spType.S	
T Tau-type Star	stars;class.Ttau	TTau
Wolf-Rayet Star	stars;class.Wolf-Rayet	WR
Carbon Star	stars.spType.carbon	
Early-type (early spectral type, hot) Star	stars.spType.early	
Late-type (late spectral type, cold) Star	stars.spType.late	
Star of spectral type xx	stars.spType.xx	
Emission-line Star	stars;em.line	
High-velocity Star	stars;phys.velocity;stat.high	
High proper-motion Star	stars;pos.pm;stat.high	
Multiple star system	stars;stat.multiple	
Peculiar Star	stars;stat.peculiar	
Asymptotic Giant Branch Star	stars.AGB	AGB
Horizontal Branch Star	stars.HB	HB
Young Stellar Object	stars.YSO	YSO
Double (binary) Star	stars.binary	
X-ray binary	stars.binary;em.X-ray	
Eclipsing binary	stars.binary;process.eclipse	
Star in double or multiple system	stars;stars.binary;stat.member	
Eclipsing binary of Algol type	stars.binary;process.eclipse;class.Algod	Algol
Eclipsing binary of beta Lyr	stars.binary;process.eclipse;class.betaLyr	betaLyr

type		
Eclipsing binary of W UMa type	stars.binary;process.eclipse;class.WUMa	WUMa
Eclipsing binary (2 nd !!)	stars.binary.eclipsing	
Spectroscopic binary	stars.binary.specroscopic	
Low Mass X-ray binary	stars.binary.low-mass;em.X-ray	LMXB
High Mass X-ray binary	stars.binary.high-mass;em.X-ray	HMXB
Brown Dwarf (low-mass)	stars.brownDwarf	
Circumstellar matter	stars.circumstellar	CSM
Cluster of Stars	stars.cluster	
Star in cluster of Stars	stars;stars.cluster;stat.member	
Star Cluster in galaxy	stars.cluster;galaxies;stat.member	
Association of Stars	stars.cluster.association	
Star in association of Stars	stars;stars.cluster.association;stat.member	
Globular Cluster	stars.cluster.globular	
Possible Globular Cluster	stars.cluster.globular;stat.possible	
Open (galactic) Cluster	stars.cluster.open	OCl
Star in Nebula	stars;ISM.nebula;stat.member	
Neutron Star	stars.neutron	
Central Star of Planetary Nebula	stars.planetaryNebula	CSPN
Star showing eclipses by its planet	stars.planetarySystem;process.eclipse	
Sub-stellar object	stars.planetarySystem.obj	
Extra-solar Planet	stars.planetarySystem.planet	
Extra-solar Planet Candidate	stars.planetarySystem.planet;stat.possible	
Post-AGB Star	stars.post-AGB	
Pre-main sequence Star	stars.preMS	PMS
Pulsar	stars.pulsar	
SuperNova (the object)	stars.superNova	SN
SuperNova of type xx (I, II, Ia, etc.)	stars.superNova.xx	SNxx
SuperNova (the explosion of a star)	stars.superNova;process.explosion	
Symbiotic Star	stars.symbiotic	
Variable Star	stars.variable	
Variable Star of BY Dra type	stars.variable;class.BYDra	BYDra
Variable Star of FU Ori type	stars.variable;class.FUOri	FUOri
Variable Star of Mira Cet type	stars.variable;class.MiraCet	Mira
Variable Star of Orion Type	stars.variable;class.Orion	
Variable Star of R CrB type	stars.variable;class.RCrB	RCrB
Variable Star of RR Lyr type	stars.variable;class.RRLyr	RRLyr
Variable Star of RS CVn type	stars.variable;class.RSCVn	RSCVn
Variable Star of RV Tau type	stars.variable;class.RVTau	RVTau
Variable Star of W Vir type	stars.variable;class.Wvir	WVir
Variable Star of alpha2 CVn type	stars.variable;class.alf2CVn	
Variable Star of beta Cep type	stars.variable;class.betaCep	betaCep
Variable Star of delta Sct type	stars.variable;class.deltaSct	
Variable Star of gamma Dor type	stars.variable;class.gammaDor	gammaDor
Eruptive variable Star	stars.variable;process.eruption	

Pulsating variable Star	stars.variable;process.pulsation	
Rotationally variable Star	stars.variable;process.rotation	
Ellipsoidal variable Star	stars.variable;process.rotation.ellipsoidal	
Flare Star	stars.variable;process.variation.flare	
Semi-regular pulsating Star	stars.variable;process.variation.quasi-periodic	
Star suspected of Variability	stars.variable;stat.possible	
Cataclysmic Variable Star	stars.variable.cataclysmic	CV
Cataclysmic Var. DQ Her type	stars.variable.cataclysmic;class.DQHer	DQHer
Cataclysmic Var. AM Her type	stars.variable.cataclysmic;class.AMHer	AMHer
Cepheid variable Star	stars.variable.cepheid	
Classical Cepheid (delta Cep type)	stars.variable.cepheid;class.deltaCep	deltaCep
Dwarf Nova	stars.variable.dwarfNova	
Variable Star of irregular type	stars.variable.irregular	
Nova	stars.variable.nova	nova
Nova-like Star	stars.variable.nova-like	
White Dwarf	stars.whiteDwarf	WD
Pulsating White Dwarf	stars.whiteDwarf;process.pulsation	

3. Category: “Astronomical instruments and methods”

(starting lists: ucd1+, A&A keywords, 6 major journals years 2000-2005.
Temporarily limited to **imagers** and **spectrographs**)

Description	Standard word
Generic instrument	instr
Generic imaging instrument (camera, imager)	instr.imager
Adaptive optics imager	instr.imager.adaptive-optics
Coronal imager	instr.imager.coronal
Echelle imager	instr.imager.echelle
Wide-field imager	instr.imager.wide-field
Superconductor Tunnel Junction imager	instr.imager.STJ
InfraRed imager	instr.imager.*;em.IR
Medium InfraRed imager	instr.imager.*;em.MIR
Near InfraRed imager	instr.imager.*;em.NIR
Optical imager	instr.imager.*;em.opt
Far UltraViolet imager	instr.imager.*;em.FUV
X-ray imager	instr.imager.*;em.X-ray
Hard X-ray imager	instr.imager.*;em.X-ray.hard
Gamma ray imager	instr.imager.*;em.gamma
High resolution imager	instr.imager.*;pos.angResolution.high
Low resolution imager	instr.imager.*;pos.angResolution.low
Generic spectrograph	instr.spectrograph
Coude spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.coude
Echelle spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.echelle
Fiber-fed echelle spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.echelle.fiber-fed
Fabry-Perot spectrograph/interferometer	instr.spectrograph.Fabry-Perot
Grating spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.grating
Multi-order grating spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.grating.multiorder
Grism	instr.spectrograph.grism
Imaging spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.imaging

Integral-field (3D, image-slicing) spectr.	instr.spectrograph.integral-field
Multi-fiber spectr. (=multi-object ?)	instr.spectrograph.multi-fiber
Multi-object spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.multi-object
Multi-slit spectr. (=multi-object ?)	instr.spectrograph.multi-slit
Spectrograph with atmospheric OH band suppressor	instr.spectrograph.OHsuppression
spectro-polarimeter	instr.spectrograph.polarimeter
Medium-InfraRed spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.*;em.MIR
Near-InfraRed spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.*;em.NIR
Optical spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.*;em.opt
UltraViolet spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.*;em.UV
Low-dispersion spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.*;instr.dispersion.low
High-dispersion spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.*;instr.dispersion.high
Low-resolution spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.*;spect.resolution.low
Medium-resolution spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.*;spect.resolution.medium
High-resolution spectrograph	instr.spectrograph.*;spect.resolution.high

Details (different expressions with different semantic meaning) of selected objects/keywords in the literature (years: 2000-2005):

Note:

journals = 2 : ApJ, PASP

journals = 6 : A&A, ApJ, ApJS, AJ, PASP, MNRAS

Detail of:	journals	issues	sentences	expressions
abundances	2	235	2792	45
accretion	2	248	2672	130
circumstellar	2	204	592	129
formation	2	267	4096	27
galaxies active	6	445	854	41
galaxies cluster	6	781	4481	120
GRB	6	396	2205	37
hydrodynamics	2	115	192	8
mass-loss	2	122	261	30
neutron stars	2	214	1486	52
numerical	2	229	1170	76
stars binary close	6	277	409	37
stars formation	2	267	1769	129
supernova	2	248	1969	34
X-ray	6	856	14995	740

Details of object: **stars.superNova** (derived from journal-issues:248, records:1969)

supernova	stars.superNova
Geometrical/Morphological properties	
supernova core	stars.superNova.core
supernova envelope	stars.superNova.envelope
supernova ejecta	stars.superNova.ejecta
supernova debris	stars.superNova.ejecta
supernova shell	stars.superNova.shell
supernova bubble	stars.superNova.bubble
Measured/Derived/Observed properties	
supernova high-redshift	stars.superNova;src.redshift;stat.high
supernova light-curve	
supernova radio	stars.superNova;[process.emission;]em.radio
supernova spectrum	
supernova typeIa	stars.superNova.Ia
supernova typeIb	stars.superNova.Ib
supernova typeIc	stars.superNova.Ic
supernova typeII	stars.superNova.II
supernova typeIIn	stars.superNova.IIn
supernova typeIIP	stars.superNova.IIp
supernova typeV	stars.superNova.V
supernova yields	stars.superNova;process.enrichment
Physical processes	
supernova core-collapse	stars.superNova;process.collapse
supernova explosion	stars.superNova;process.explosion
supernova explosion thermonuclear	stars.superNova;process.explosion.thermonuclear
supernova fallback	stars.superNova.fallback
supernova blast-wave	stars.superNova;process.shock
supernova shock	stars.superNova;process.shock
supernova ejection pencil-beam	stars.superNova;process.mass-loss.jet
supernova kick	stars.superNova;process.angMomentumTransfer
supernova enrichment	stars.superNova;process.enrichment
Theory/Models/Evolution	
supernova models	
supernova first-generation	
supernova PopulationIII	
supernova pre-SN	
supernova pre-SN wind	stars.superNova.progenitor;process.mass-loss.wind
supernova progenitor	stars.superNova.progenitor
supernova rate	arith.rate;stars.superNova

Details of object: **stars.neutron** (derived from journal-issues:214, records:1486)

neutron star	stars.neutron
Geometrical/Morphological properties	

neutron star center/core	stars.neutron.center
neutron star crust	stars.neutron.crust
neutron star surface	stars.neutron.surface
neutron star atmosphere	stars.neutron.atmosphere
neutron star magnetosphere	stars.neutron.magnetosphere
neutron star magnetosphere active	stars.neutron.magnetosphere.active
neutron star polar caps	stars.neutron.polarCaps
neutron star bare	
neutron star isolated	stars.neutron
neutron star binary/double	stars.neutron;stars.binary;stat.member
neutron star binary close	stars.neutron;stars.binary.close;stat.member
neutron star precessing	stars.neutron;process.precession
Measured/Derived/Observed properties	
neutron star cold	
neutron star hot	
neutron star radio-quiet	
neutron star transient	stars.neutron;process.variation.transient
neutron star transient X-rays	stars.neutron;process.variation.transient;em.X-ray
Physical processes	
neutron star accreting	stars.neutron;process.accretion
neutron star bursting	stars.neutron;process.variation.burst
neutron star coalescing	stars.neutron;process.merging
neutron star cooling	stars.neutron;process.cooling
neutron star evolution	
neutron star glitches	stars.neutron;process.variation.glitch
neutron star magnetar/magnetized	
neutron star mergers	stars.neutron;process.merging
neutron star millisecond	stars.neutron;process.rotation
neutron star non-rotating	
neutron star oscillations	stars.neutron;process.pulsation
neutron star pulsations	stars.neutron;process.pulsation
neutron star rotating	stars.neutron;process.rotation
neutron star rotating differentially	stars.neutron;process.rotation
neutron star rotating fast	stars.neutron;process.rotation
neutron star rotating slow	stars.neutron;process.rotation
neutron star spin/spinning	stars.neutron;process.rotation
neutron star spinning rapidly	stars.neutron;process.rotation
neutron star superfluid	
neutron star unmagnetized	
neutron star wind	stars.neutron;process.mass-loss.wind
neutron star wind-accreting	stars.neutron;process.accretion
Theory/Models/Evolution	
neutron star model	
neutron star model relativistic	
neutron star new-born	
neutron star old	
neutron star progenitor	stars.neutron.progenitor
neutron star proto	
neutron star slow-born	
neutron star young	

Details of object: **alias.GRB** (derived from journal-issues:396, records:2205)

Gamma-ray burst (GRB)	process.variation.burst;em.gamma
afterglows	alias.GRB.afterglow
afterglows orphan	
alert	
beaming-efficiency	
blast-wave	alias.GRB;process.shock
cosmological	
counterpart	
dark	
duration	time.event;alias.GRB
dust-echoes	
emission infrared	alias.GRB;process.emission;em.IR
emission optical	alias.GRB;process.emission;em.opt
emission prompt	
emission synchrotron	
emission X-rays	alias.GRB;process.emission;em.X-ray
energy	phys.energy;alias.GRB
fireball	alias.GRB.fireball
fluence	phot.fluence;alias.GRB
formation-rate	arith.rate;process.formation;alias.GRB
hosts	
jets	alias.GRB;process.mass-loss.jet
jets collimated	
light-curve	
light-curve timescale	
long-duration	
model	
outflow	
polarized	
progenitors	alias.GRB.progenitor
pulse	
rate	
redshifts	
remnant	alias.GRB.remnant
short	
short-hard	
spectrum	
trigger	alias.GRB.trigger

Appendix A.

List of elements (ucd-words) used to describe Category 1 and 2 concepts:

class.alf2CVn	ISM.nebula.reflection
class.AMHer	ISM.planetaryNebula
class.betaCep	ISM.region.HI
class.BLLac	ISM.region.HII
class.BYDra	ISM.shell.HI
class.CH	ISM.SNRemnant
class.deltaCep	obj
class.deltaSct	obj.blackHole
class.DQHer	obj.region
class.FUOri	obj.void
class.gammaDor	phys.absorption
class.HII	phys.acceleration
class.MiraCet	phys.atmol.excitation
class.OH-IR	phys.atmol.ionization
class.Orion	phys.atmol.transition
class.RCrB	phys.mol.dissociation
class.RRLyr	phys.polarization
class.RSCVn	phys.velocity
class.RVTau	pos.pm
class.Seyfert	proces.pulsation
class.Seyfert1	process
class.Seyfert2	process.absorption
class.TTau	process.acceleration
class.Wolf-Rayet	process.accretion
class.WVir	process.collapse
em.FIR	process.conduction
em.gamma	process.convection
em.IR	process.diffusion
em.line	process.disk
em.mm	process.eclipse
em.NIR	process.eclipse
em.radio	process.emission
em.UV	process.eruption
em.X-ray	process.excitation
galaxies	process.explosion
galaxies.active	process.gravitation
galaxies.AGN	process.gravitation.lensing
galaxies.AGN.Blazar	process.gravitation.micro-lensing
galaxies.AGN.LINER	process.gravitation.wave
galaxies.cluster	process.instability
galaxies.compactGroup	process.interaction
galaxies.dwarf	process.maser
galaxies.elliptical	process.mass-loss
galaxies.giant	process.mass-loss.ejection
galaxies.group	process.mass-loss.jet
galaxies.HII	process.mass-loss.wind
galaxies.irregular	process.merging
galaxies.pair	process.nucleosynthesis
galaxies.QSO	process.occultation
galaxies.spiral	process.pulsation
galaxies.superCluster	process.pulsation.non-radial
ISM.cloud	process.pulsation.radial
ISM.cloud.high-velocity	process.radiation.non-thermal
ISM.cloud.molecular	process.radiation.thermal
ISM.cometaryGlobule	process.recombination
ISM.Herbig-Haro	process.redshift
ISM.nebula	process.redshift
ISM.nebula.bright	process.ring
ISM.nebula.dark	process.rotation
ISM.nebula.galactic	process.rotation.ellipsoidal

process.scattering	stars.cluster.open
process.shock	stars.envelope.CH
process.spot	stars.envelope.OH/IR
process.starburst	stars.HB
process.variation	stars.neutron
process.variation.burst	stars.planetaryNebula
process.variation.cyclic	stars.planetarySystem
process.variation.flare	stars.planetarySystem.planet
process.variation.glitch	stars.post-AGB
process.variation.high-state	stars.preMS
process.variation.low-state	stars.pulsar
process.variation.quasi-periodic	stars.spType.Be
process.variation.transient	stars.spType.carbon
source	stars.spType.early
source.absLineSystem	stars.spType.late
source.absLineSystem.Broad	stars.spType.S
source.absLineSystem.Ly-alpha	stars.spType.xx
source.absLineSystem.Ly-alpha.damped	stars.superNova
source.absLineSystem.Ly-limit	stars.superNova.xx
source.absLineSystem.metal-lines	stars.symbiotic
source.blue	stars.variable
source.extremeRed	stars.variable.cataclysmic
source.maser	stars.variable.cepheid
stars	stars.variable.dwarfNova
stars.AGB	stars.variable.irregular
stars.binary	stars.variable.nova
stars.binary.eclipsing	stars.variable.nova-like
stars.binary.high-mass	stars.whiteDwarf
stars.binary.low-mass	stars.YSO
stars.binary.specroscopic	stat.member
stars.brownDwarf	stat.multiple
stars.circumstellar	stat.partOf
stars.cluster	stat.peculiar
stars.cluster.association	stat.possible
stars.cluster.globular	stat.unknown

Appendix B.

List of acronyms that can be used as aliases for Category 2 concepts (object types).

The format is: alias.acronym

Acronyms:

AGB	IRS
AGN	LINER
Algol	LLS
ALS	LMXB
AMHer	Mira
Be	nova
betaCep	OCl
betaLyr	OH/IR
BH	PMS
Blazar	PN
BLLac	QSO
BYDra	RCrB
CSM	RRLyr
CSPN	RSCVn
CV	RVTau
deltaCep	Seyfert
DQHer	Seyfert1
ERO	Seyfert2
FUOr	SN
gammaDor	SNR
GRB	SNxx
HB	TTau
HH	WD
HI	WR
HII	WUMa
HMXB	WVir
HVC	YSO