# Observing Facilities in the VO

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#### Why

- ObsTAP / EPN-TAP have "facility" / "instrument\_host\_name" keywords respectively. For efficient data mining, a standardization of such nomenclature is needed.
- The same is true for target names: EPN-TAP is requiring that IAU names are used for bodies in the solar system.
- There is no official standard for "observation facilities" names. We propose to build such list.
- The goal is to have that list endorsed by a long-lived international alliance, to ensure its sustainability (such as IAU, IVOA, IPDA...).

#### What

Facilities are the spacecraft/telescopes:

Grouping of Facilities	Facilities
Institute/Observatory	Telescope
Space Mission	Spacecraft
Institute/University	Experiment Facility
Institute/Project	Field Analogue
Institute/University	Numerical Experiment/Model

- We focus here on "Telescopes" and "Spacecraft" types of facilities
- Grouping of facilities may not always be present, or may not represent a group of colocated facilities (e.g. the LOFAR international stations all over Europe, or the VLA network)

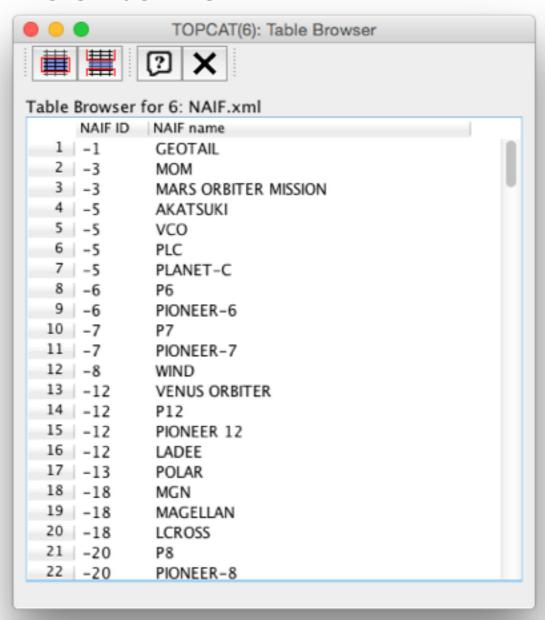
#### Spacecraft

- Several spacecraft name lists available:
  - NASA/NAIF (Navigation and Ancillary Information Facility)
  - NASA/NSSDC (National Space Science Data Center)
  - NASA/PDS (Planetary Data System)
  - SPASE/SMWG (Solar and Magnetospheric Working Group)
  - SANA (Space Assigned Numbers Authority)
- Not the same names (upper/lower case, but not only) nor same IDs, although most are compiled by NASA entities.
- Spacecraft may also be part of a Mission.
   E.g.: The Cassini-Orbiter and Huygens-Probe are two spacecraft of the Cassini-Huygens Mission.

### Spacecraft lists NSSDC

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URL	name	NSSDC id	Launch date	
1 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=NN	IN6001 1960 Rho	NNN6001	1960-12-01	
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4 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=19	62-011A 1962 Lambda 1	1962-011A	1962-04-18	
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6 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=19	62-021A 1962 Phi 1	1962-021A	1962-05-30	
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10 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=NN	IN6302 1963-003X	NNN6302	1963-04-05	
11 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=NN	IN6303 1963-004X	NNN6303	1963-04-26	
12 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=19	63-005A 1963-005A	1963-005A	1963-02-19	
13 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=NN	IN6304 1963-005X	NNN6304	1963-04-26	
14 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=NN	IN6305 1963-007X	NNN6305	1963-09-27	
15 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=NN		NNN6306	1963-11-09	
16 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=19	63-021E 1963-021E	1963-021E	1963-06-15	
17 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=19		1963-035B	1963-08-29	
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22 http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/spacecraftDisplay.do?id=19		1964-001E	1964-01-11	

## Spacecraft lists NASA/NAIF



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NAIF ID	NAIF name	
68 -66	VEGA 1	
69 -67	VEGA 2	
70   -68	MMO	
71 -68	MERCURY MAGNETOSPHERIC ORBITER	
72   -69	MPO	
73   -69	MERCURY PLANETARY ORBITER	
74 -70	DEEP IMPACT IMPACTOR SPACECRAFT	
75 -74		0
76 -74	MARS RECON ORBITER	
77 -76		
	MARS SCIENCE LABORATORY	
79 -77		
	GALILEO ORBITER	
81 -78		
82 -79		
	SPACE INFRARED TELESCOPE FACILITY	
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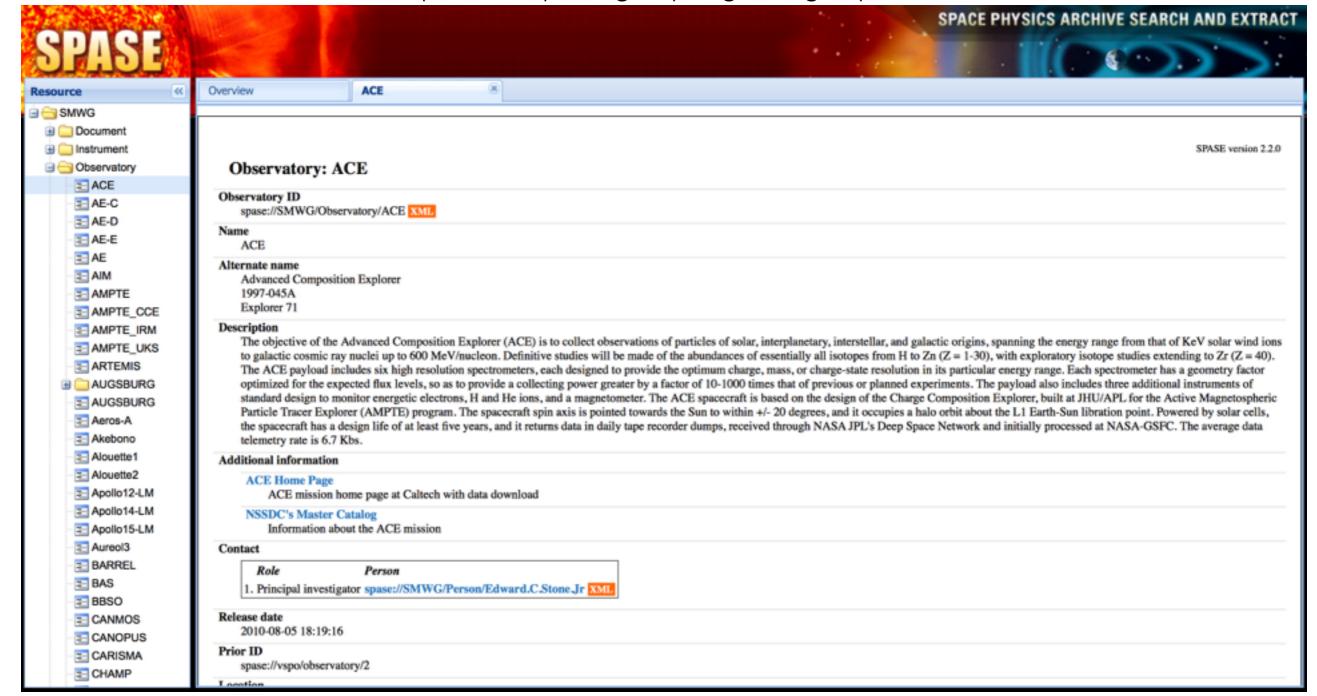
### Spacecraft lists NASA/PDS/PPI

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	Mission Name		Spacecraft Name	Target Name
604	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	CASSINI ORBITER	
648	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	CASSINI ORBITER, Cassini	Earth, Earth, Jupiter, Jupiter, Saturn, Saturn, Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise), Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruis
472	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	Cassini	Saturn, Earth, Jupiter, Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise)
477	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	Cassini	Saturn, Earth, Venus, Jupiter, Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise)
483	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	Cassini	Earth, Venus, Jupiter, Saturn, Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise)
532	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	Cassini	Saturn
651	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	Cassini	Earth, Earth, Jupiter, Jupiter, Saturn, Saturn, Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise), Solar Wind(Int
668	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	Cassini	Earth, Jupiter, Saturn
671	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	Cassini	Saturn, Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise)
678	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	Cassini	Earth, Jupiter, Saturn, Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise)
	CASSINI-HUYGENS	PPI	Cassini	Venus, Earth, Jupiter, Saturn, Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise)
408		SBN	Deep Space 1	Comets, Borrelly
	DEEP SPACE 1	SBN	Deep Space 1	Borrelly
	GIOTTO	SBN	GIOTTO	Halley
30		PPI	Galileo	Earth, Ida, Asteroids, Venus, Earth(Moon), Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise), Gaspra
33		PPI	Galileo	Solar Wind(Interplanetary Cruise)
35		PPI	Galileo	Ganymede, Callisto, Jupiter, Dust
36		PPI	Galileo	Europa, Callisto, Jupiter, Dust
37		SBN	Galileo	Europa, Ganymede, Callisto, Jupiter, Dust
39		PPI	Galileo	Ganymede, Europa, Callisto, Jupiter

compiled after XML extraction of NASA/PDS4 registry with XLS Transform to VOTABLE formatting

### Spacecraft lists SPASE/SMWG

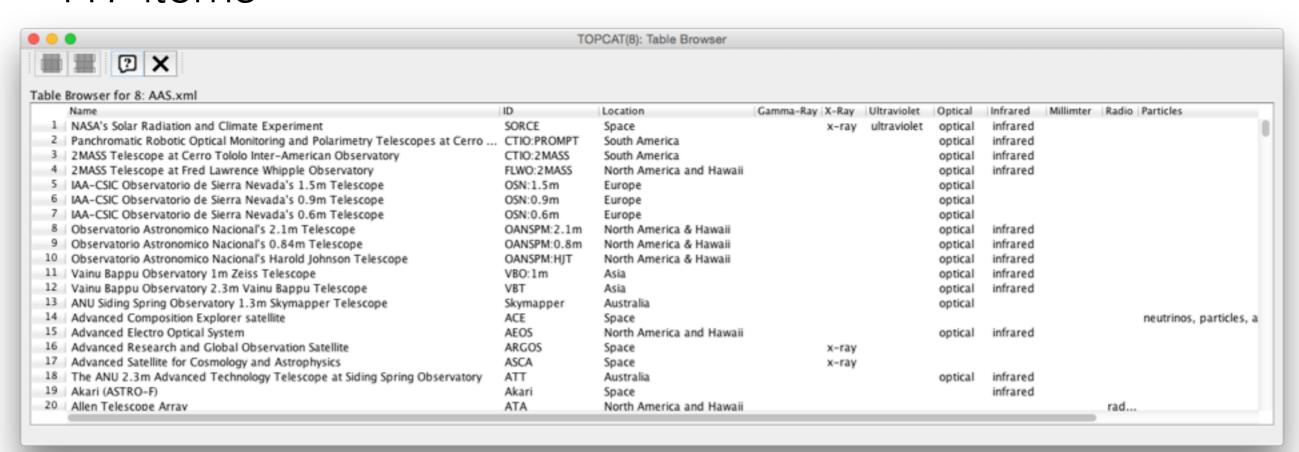
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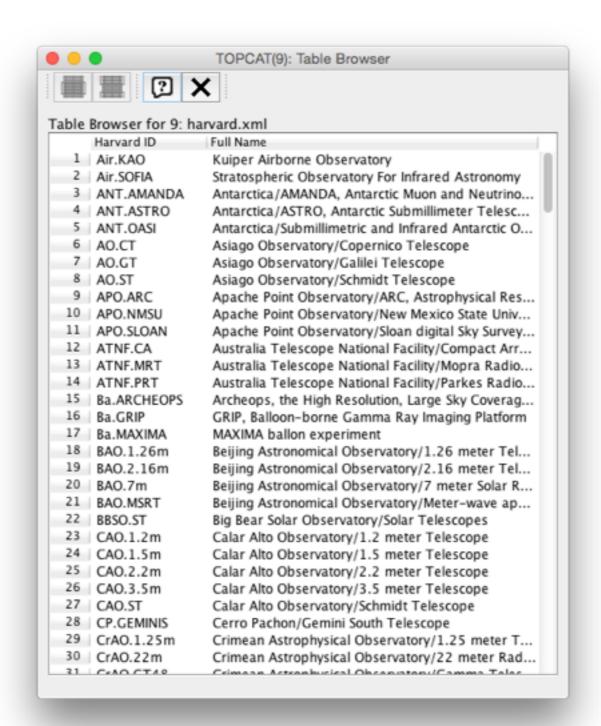
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51	MSP 01-Orbiter Flight	035	Badri Younes	NASA GSFC	US	1998-11-30	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
52		036	Badri Younes	NASA GSFC	US	1998-11-30	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
	MARS-EXP-ORB	037	Nicolas Bobrinsky	ESA	EU	1999-05-05	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
54	SLATS	038	Tsutomu Shigeta	JAXA	JP	2011-08-18	JGG	1	Assigned	TC
55		039	Badri Younes	NASA GSFC	US	1999-04-11	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
56	Space Telescope	03A	G.M. Levin	NASA GSFC	US	1980-03-21	JIV	1	Assigned	
57	MSL98 (SIM)	03C	Joseph Deskevich	NASA	US	1996-12-16	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
58	INTELSAT K-TV	03D	Erhard Jabs	ESA	EU	1997-10-23	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
59	JUNO	03D	Roger D. Porter	NASA GSFC	US	2006-11-04	RP	1	Assigned	TC
60	OCO-2	03E	Roger D. Porter	NASA	US	2010-02-23	JGG	1	Assigned	TC
61	JUNO,sim	03F	Roger D. Porter	NASA GSFC	US	2006-11-04	RP	1	Assigned	TC
62	NEMO-B	040	Badri Younes	NASA	US	1999-04-11	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
63	ATV-7	041	Nicolas Bobrinsky	ESA	EU	1999-09-09	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
64	ATV-8	042	Nicolas Bobrinsky	ESA	EU	1999-09-09	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
65	W1R	043	Nicolas Bobrinsky	ESA	EU	1999-04-04	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
66	NILESAT 2	044	Nicolas Bobrinsky	ESA	EU	1999-04-04	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
67	WORLDSTAR 4	045	Nicolas Bobrinsky	ESA	EU	1999-04-04	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
68	DI-IMPACTOR	046	Badri Younes	NASA GSFC	US	2001-02-17	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
59	GRAVITY PROBE-B	047	Joseph Deskevich	NASA GSFC	US	1996-06-25	RP	1	Assigned	TC
70	PICASSO-CENA	048	Roland Ivarnez	CNES	FR	1999-03-11	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
71	PICASSO-CENA,SIM	049	Roland Ivarnez	CNES	FR	1999-03-11	RP	1	Assigned	TC,TLM
72	MRO	04A	Roger D. Porter	NASA	US	2002-08-12	RP	1	Assianed	TC.TLM

## Telescope lists AAS



## Telescope lists Harvard/ADS



### Telescope lists IRAF

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	kpno	Kitt Peak National Observatory	111,6	31,9633	2120,
	ctio	Cerro Tololo Interamerican Observatory	70,815	-30,1653	2215,
	eso	European Southern Observatory	70,73	-29,2567	2347,
	lick	Lick Observatory	121,637	37,3433	1290,
	mmto	Multiple Mirror Telescope Observatory	110,885	31,6883	2600,
	mmt	Whipple Observatory	110,885	31,6883	2608,
1	flwo	Whipple Observatory	110,878	31,6809	2320,
	cfht	Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope	155,472	19,8267	4215,
	lapalma	Roque de los Muchachos, La Palma	17,88	28,7583	2327,
	mso	Mt. Stromlo Observatory	210,976	-35,3206	767,
	SSO	Siding Spring Observatory	210,939	-31,2734	1149,
	aao	Anglo-Australian Observatory	210,934	-31,277	1164,
	mcdonald	McDonald Observatory	104,022	30,6717	2075,
	lco	Las Campanas Observatory	70,7017	-29,0033	2282,
	mtbigelow	Catalina Observatory: 61 inch telescope	110,732	32,5833	2510,
	dao	Dominion Astrophysical Observatory	123,417	48,5217	229,
	spm	Observatorio Astronomico Nacional, San Pedro Ma	115,487	31,0292	2830,
1	tona	Observatorio Astronomico Nacional, Tonantzintla	98,3139	19,0328	8,
	Palomar	The Hale Telescope	116,863	33,356	1706,
	mdm	Michigan-Dartmouth-MIT Observatory	11,6167	31,95	1938,5
	NOV	National Observatory of Venezuela	70,8667	8,79	3610,
	bmo	Black Moshannon Observatory	78,005	40,9217	738,
	BAO	Beijing XingLong Observatory	242,425	43,3933	950,
	keck	W. M. Keck Observatory	155,478	19,8283	4160,
-	ekar	Mt. Ekar 182 cm. Telescope	348,419	45,8486	1413,69

## Telescope lists IAU/MPC

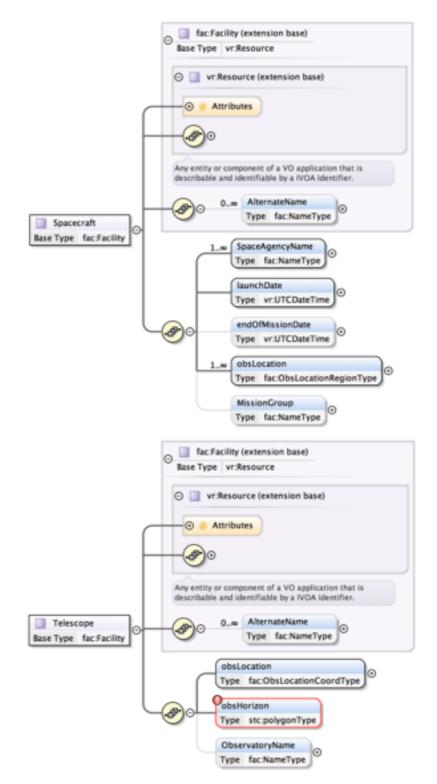
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2	001	0,1542	0,62992	0,77411	Crowborough	
3	002	0,62	0,622	0,781	Rayleigh	
4	003	3,9	0,725	0,687	Montpellier	
- 5	004	1,4625	0,7252	0,68627	Toulouse	
6	005	2,231	0,659891	0,748875	Meudon	
7	006	2,12417	0,751042	0,658129	Fabra Observatory, Barcelona	
8	007	2,33675	0,65947	0,749223	Paris	
9	008	3,0355	0,80172	0,59578	Algiers-Bouzareah	
10	009	7,4417	0,6838	0,7272	Berne-Uecht	
11	010	6,9267	0,72368	0,68811	Caussols	
12	011	8,797	0,6791	0,7315	Wetzikon	
13	012	4,35821	0,633333	0,771306	Uccle	
14	013	4,48397	0,614813	0,786029	Leiden	
15	014	5,39509	0,728859	0,682384	Marseilles	
16	015	5,12929	0,61577	0,785285	Utrecht	
17	016	5,9893	0,68006	0,73076	Besancon	
18	017	6,84924	0,641946	0,764282	Hoher List	
19	018	6,7612	0,62779	0,77578	Dusseldorf-Bilk	
20	019	6,9575	0,68331	0,72779	Neuchatel	
21	020	7,3004	0,72391	0,68767	Nice	
22	021	8,3855	0,65701	0,75138	Karlsruhe	
23	022	7,7748	0,7079	0,70409	Pino Torinese	
24	023	8,2625	0,64299	0,76335	Wiesbaden	
25	024	8,7216	0,65211	0,7557	Heidelberg-Konigstuhl	
26	025	9,1965	0,660205	0,748637	Stuttgart	
27	026	7,46511	0,684884	0,726402	Berne-Zimmerwald	
28	027	9,1912	0,70254	0,70929	Milan	
29	028	9,9363	0,64686	0,76009	Wurzburg	
30	029	10,2406	0,5964	0,8	Hamburg-Bergedorf	
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- **Spacecraft** = extension of Facility with:
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  - + SpaceAgencyName + MissionGroup +
  - + ObsLocation [ ObsRegion + TimeInterval [ StartTime + StopTime ] ]
- **Telescope** = extension of Facility with:
  - + ObservatoryName
  - + ObsLocation [long,lat,alt]
  - + ObsHorizon [polygon]
- Next: Add Instruments with references to Facilities.
- Next-next:FieldAnalog, Laboratory Experiment and Numerical Experiment



#### List Compilation

- Compilation started, using match functions of TOPCAT.
- Definition of adequate list format needed
  - long VOTable
  - XML db (registry?),
  - SQL db (TAP interface?)...)
- Once standard list is compiled in adequate form: propose list for endorsement to IPDA/IAU/IVOA
- Then: build a name-resolver (e.g., SsoDNet @ IMCCE)