LBT Observing Log: 2025 JUL 05 UT

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Plan:

Starting with PEPSI-PFU and switching over to PEPSI-POL (OSU_WMBStokesV) around midnight

Summary:

We got about 3.5h of data during the first half of the night. Closing afterwards mainly for clouds. But also had spikes in particle counts and humidity between 90% & 95%.

Night called 30 minutes before 18deg twilight (~1h before 12deg twilight)

Issues:

Weather:

Mostly clear & good seeing (<= 1") for OSU_MWAbundDisp and the first half of UM_PEPSITCrB. From UT 06:20 on, the seeing got worse over time and some clouds were passing through for the last 30min of TCrB.

Closed for the second half of the night due to clouds.

Overview (times are given in UT):

PEPSI-PFU

03:08 Opening

03:29 Losing the GS on DX during initial pointing and collimation check.

OSU_MWAbundDisp

Seeing 0.9", DIMM 1.2"

2MJ1241+3749

03:33 Preset

03:35 Starting science exposure

0.25 mag of extinction due to clouds

SNR 163/305

2MJ1301+5702

03:41 Preset

03:44 Starting science exposure

SNR 175/406

2MJ1321+5403

03:50 Preset

03:51 Pointing check

03:55 Preset

03:56 Starting science exposure

SNR 188/365

2MJ1339+2820

04:01 Preset

04:04 Pointing check

04:07 Preset

04:08 Starting science exposure

SNR 218/457

UM_PEPSITCrB

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DIMM 1.1, GCS 0.5"-0.7"

04:14 Preset

04:17 Starting science exposure

04:37 ~1 mag of extinction

T CrB

04:44 Pointing check

04:45 We have to close. Threatening clouds

05:43 Opening again

05:52 Pointing check

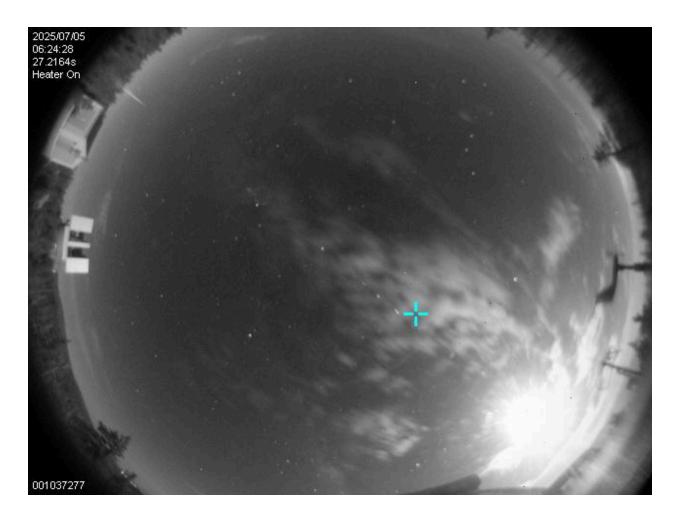
05:56 Preset

05:59 Starting science integration

GCS ~1"

06:20 Seeing is variable. 1.3" on average and clouds also coming back...

06:25 Up to 4 mag of extinction... Wrong spot at the wrong time...



06:30 Out of the clouds again

06:48 Seeing ~1.4" for CD 1&6

07:02 Reconfig to PEPSI-POL

07:22 Closing for high particle counts, clouds

10:09 Night called as a large cloud front is coming in from SW. We don't see us opening again tonight.

PEPSI-POL