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Cover image: “(52246) Donaldjohanson”: The asteroid Donaldjohanson as seen by the Lucy Long-Range Reconnaissance Imager (L’LORRI). This is one of the most detailed images returned by NASA’s Lucy spacecraft during its flyby. This image was obtained at 17:51 UTC, April 20, 2025, near closest approach, from a range of approximately 1100 km. (Image courtesy of NASA / SwRI / APL)

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Corrected Discovery Information

The following section lists corrected discovery information for numbered minor planets. The * column contains an asterisk if the numbering was subject to the current numbering rules, the PO column contains the observatory code of the assignment (asterisked) observation of the principal provisional designation and the DO column contains the observatory code of the discovery observation.

Number	*	PO	Disc. Date	DO	Discovery Site	Discoverer(s)
(888536)	*	493	2009-02-16	493	Calar Alto	F. Hormuth, J. C. Datson

New Names of Minor Planets

The following new names of minor planets have been approved by the WGSBN. Discovery details, for information only, are given in the following order: date of discovery; discoverer(s) name(s); discovery site; discovery site observatory code. The discoverer(s) name(s) is/are followed by an asterisk if this is a change from what was published when the object was numbered.

(10192) Wanglizhe = 1996 OQ_1

Discovery: 1996-07-20 / Beijing Schmidt CCD Asteroid Program / Xinglong County / 327

Wang Lizhe (b. 1974) is a Chinese scientist and professor at Tsinghua University. His pioneering contributions to the processing, analysis, and application of remote-sensing imagery, including leadership in the Geology-1 and Dianjian-1 satellite missions, have advanced the use of Earth-observation data for understanding our planet.

(10231) Penrose = 1997 WQ_{37}

Discovery: 1997-11-29 / LINEAR / Socorro / 704

Roger Penrose (b. 1931) is an English mathematician, mathematical physicist, and philosopher of science. In 2020, he received half of the Nobel Prize in Physics "for the discovery that black-hole formation is a robust prediction of the general theory of relativity". Penrose's aperiodic tiling presaged the discovery of quasicrystals by Dan Shechtman.

(11281) Nobuooshita = 1989 UM_1

Discovery: 1989-10-28 / Y. Mizuno, T. Furuta / Kani / 403

Nobuo Oshita (b. 1951) is a Japanese amateur astronomer living in Hida City, Gifu Prefecture. He discovered comet C/1992 W1 (Ohshita), and he is a member of the Hoshi no Hiroba astronomy club.

(11501) Ushimaru = 1989 UU_3

Discovery: 1989-10-29 / Y. Mizuno, T. Furuta / Kani / 403

Kouhei Ushimaru (b. 1952) is a Japanese amateur astronomer living in Hida City, Gifu Prefecture. He undertakes visual and photographic observation of comets and does local-community public astronomy outreach as a member of the Hoshinohiroba comet observers network.

(11503) Isobeken = 1990 BF

Discovery: 1990-01-21 / Y. Mizuno, T. Furuta / Kani / 403

Ken Isobe (b. 1955) is a Japanese amateur astronomer living in Shijonawate City, Osaka Prefecture. He is a developer of remote observatories and also a member of the Hoshinohiroba astronomy club.

(12745) Kazujinishimura = 1992 UL_2

Discovery: 1992-10-21 / Y. Mizuno, T. Furuta / Kani / 403

Kazuji Nishimura (b. 1956) is a Japanese amateur astronomer living in Higashiyamato City, Tokyo. He observes comets at the Iwaki Astronomical observatory in Fukushima Prefecture. Kazuji is a member of the Hoshinohiroba comet-observers network.

(14330) Tomlehrer = 1981 EG_{21}

Discovery: 1981-03-02 / S. J. Bus / Siding Spring / 413

Thomas Andrew Lehrer (1928–2025) was an American musician, singer-songwriter, satirist, and mathematician who taught for 29 years at the University of California, Santa Cruz. Generations of scientists have been inspired by his musical works, including "Lobachevsky", "Wernher von Braun", and especially "The Elements".

(14331) Alyankovic = 1981 EC_{26}

Discovery: 1981-03-02 / S. J. Bus / Siding Spring / 413

Alfred Matthew "Weird Al" Yankovic (b. 1959) is an American musician, songwriter and actor. Generations of scientists have been inspired by his comedic musical works, including "It's All About the Pentiums" and "White and Nerdy".

(14380) Bussey = 1989 UC_6

Discovery: 1989-10-30 / S. J. Bus / Cerro Tololo / 807

D. Benjamin J. "Ben" Bussey (b. 1970) is a British planetary scientist whose career has focused on lunar exploration. His work has included radar imaging of the Moon and understanding the illumination conditions of its polar regions, development of spacecraft instrumentation, and lunar-mission design.

(14807) Chrisanders = 1981 EN_{26}

Discovery: 1981-03-02 / S. J. Bus / Siding Spring / 413

Chris Anders (b. 1994) is an American contractor in the Division of Meteorites at the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History. In addition to inventorying the collection, he has played a pivotal role in the preparation and characterization of Antarctic meteorites as part of the Smithsonian's involvement in the U.S. Antarctic Meteorite Program.

(15708) Metsoc = 1988 RB_{12}

Discovery: 1988-09-14 / S. J. Bus / Cerro Tololo / 807

Since its establishment in 1933, the Meteoritical Society has united meteorite scientists from around the world. In addition to hosting an annual conference, the Society publishes the journal *Meteoritics and Planetary Science* and works to promote meteorite science in regions previously underrepresented in the community, including South America and Africa.

(20175) Starmus = 1996 XJ_{27}

Discovery: 1996-12-07 / Spacewatch / Kitt Peak / 691

The Starmus Festival is an international festival, first held in 2011 to celebrate 50 years of manned space flight. Starmus focuses on astronomy, space exploration, music, art and natural sciences, and brings together some of the most brilliant minds on the planet to enhance science communication.

(20176) Aliciagoyena = 1996 XK_{29}

Discovery: 1996-12-13 / Spacewatch / Kitt Peak / 691

Alicia Goyena (1897–1977) was a Uruguayan educator who was a history teacher. As Director of the Women's Section of the Instituto Batlle y Ordóñez in Montevideo, she promoted a humanistic education and women's access to secondary education. Alicia's work contributed to the development of secondary education in Uruguay.

(31385) Genovevavázquez = 1998 XF_{96}

Discovery: 1998-12-11 / O. A. Naranjo / Mérida / 303

Genoveva Vázquez Calviño (1896–1971) was a self-taught Spanish midwife from Bande (Ourense), known as A Partureira de Xinzo. For more than fifty years, she cared for pregnant women and delivered babies, regardless of their social status, in rural communities of Galicia during a time of widespread hardship and limited access to healthcare.

(31419) Shafransky = 1999 AN_{37}

Discovery: 1999-01-06 / LONEOS / Anderson Mesa / 699

Benjamin Solomon Shafransky (b. 1993) is an American telescope operator for the Lowell Discovery Telescope at Lowell Observatory. He operates the telescope and its subsystems, interfaces with technical staff and astronomers worldwide, and supports telescope operations in collaboration with the technology department.

(31550) Beckmaier = 1999 DT_7

Discovery: 1999-02-18 / LONEOS / Anderson Mesa / 699

Beck Maier (b. 1994) is an American telescope operator for the Lowell Discovery Telescope at Lowell Observatory. They operate the telescope and its subsystems, interface with technical staff and astronomers worldwide, and support telescope operations in collaboration with the technology department.

(39137) Wymanwong = 2000 WX_{62}

Discovery: 2000-11-26 / W. K. Y. Yeung / Arizona City / 919

Wyman Wong (b. 1969) is a Hong Kong lyricist whose creative use of the Cantonese language has shaped modern Cantopop. His celebrated lyrics include “Tourbillon”, a meditation on the value of time, and many enduring classics cherished by Chinese-speaking audiences.

(42246) Bobanderson = 2001 FX_{121}

Discovery: 2001-03-29 / W. K. Y. Yeung / Arizona City / 919

Bob Anderson (b. 1942) is a talented American programmer who developed software widely used by asteroid occultation observers worldwide (Occular, ROTE, PyMovie, PyOTE, GoPyOTE and IOTAdiffraction). His work has enabled precise video timing, photometric measurements and diffraction modeling, making major contributions to asteroid research.

(46649) Tsudahiroyuki = 1995 SN_4

Discovery: 1995-09-20 / K. Endate, K. Watanabe / Kitami / 400

Hiroyuki Tsuda (b. 1960) is the director of the Ginganomori Observatory, a public observatory in Rikubetsu, Hokkaido, Japan. He shares the wonders of the universe with visitors using facilities, including a 1.15-m telescope and a planetarium. Hiroyuki also successfully photographed a low-latitude aurora in Rikubetsu in 1989.

(48635) Murata = 1995 SU_{52}

Discovery: 1995-09-20 / K. Endate, K. Watanabe / Kitami / 400

Takuya Murata (b. 1972) is a Japanese solar physicist. He served as a chief research fellow at the Rikubetsu Space and Earth Science Museum in Hokkaido, Japan, from 2002 to 2024, where he primarily conducted experiments to investigate the effects of solar cosmic rays on the upper atmosphere. Takuya currently works at the Rikubetsu Town Office.

(48680) Kamijo = 1996 BU

Discovery: 1996-01-17 / K. Endate, K. Watanabe / Kitami / 400

Masuki Kamijo (b. 1949) is a Japanese astronomy enthusiast. Since retiring from his job as a school teacher, he has dedicated himself to promoting astronomy to children in his community. In July 2010, Kamijo took stunning photographs of a total solar eclipse on Easter Island.

(48686) Kashimura = 1996 EM_1

Discovery: 1996-03-10 / K. Endate, K. Watanabe / Kitami / 400

Nobuya Kashimura (b. 1959) is a Japanese amateur astronomer who volunteers primarily at the Kurobe Yoshida Science Museum in Kurobe City, Toyama Prefecture. He provides constellation commentary during stargazing events and live narration in the planetarium.

(50271) Albertoanunziato = 2000 CW

Discovery: 2000-02-01 / CSS / Mount Bigelow / 703

Alberto Anunziato (b. 1970) is an Argentinian amateur astronomer. He was the founder the Argentine Lunar Society and served as secretary of the Ibero-American Astronomy League. Alberto teaches at the Autonomous University of Entre Ríos and he is the Assistant Coordinator for the Lunar Section of the Association of Lunar and Planetary Observers.

(50310) Richardjakiel = 2000 CT_{40}

Discovery: 2000-02-01 / CSS / Mount Bigelow / 703

Richard Jakiel (b. 1958) is an American teacher of astronomy and physics at both the university and high-school level. He is a co-author of *Galaxies and How to Observe Them* and has published articles in *Astronomy*, *Sky & Telescope*, and *Discover*, covering topics including ancient astronomical coins, comets, deep sky observing and astronomical imaging.

(50401) Richardmeyers = 2000 CJ_{109}

Discovery: 2000-02-05 / CSS / Mount Bigelow / 703

Richard Meyers (b. 1967) is an Arizona-based astronomy enthusiast and astrophotographer. He is active in the Phoenix Astronomical Society, serving as editor of *PAStimes* and leading its Astro-Imaging Special Interest Group. Richard is the current editor of the *Journal of the Association of Lunar & Planetary Observers*.

(74025) Marquette = 1998 HA_6

Discovery: 1998-04-21 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Jean-Baptiste Marquette (b. 1956) is a retired French astrophysicist who worked in laboratory astrochemistry related to the synthesis of complex molecules in dense interstellar clouds, awarded by the CNRS bronze medal in 1985. He joined the EROS-2 and PLANET microlensing collaborations to probe the Galactic halo and to discover exoplanets.

(74080) Philippestee = 1998 OW

Discovery: 1998-07-20 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Philippe Stee (b. 1968) is a French astrophysicist and president of the Paris Observatory. He directed the Lagrange laboratory that built the ESO VLTI beam combiner MATISSE. Philippe is a specialist on hot and massive stars, and he created the pioneering SIMECA numerical code used to interpret interferometric data from the AMBER focal instrument.

(74317) Marionbonafous = 1998 UZ_{15}

Discovery: 1998-10-21 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Marion Bonafous (b. 1986) is a French engineer at the Laboratory of Instrumentation and Research in Astrophysics of Paris Observatory. She contributed to the development of several space instruments, including the SuperCam IR spectrometer on board the Perseverance rover and she participated on the development of MIRS imaging spectrometer for the MMX mission.

(74371) Jeanduprat = 1998 XG_1

Discovery: 1998-12-07 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Jean Duprat (b. 1968) is a French cosmochemist who is a senior researcher at the Institut de Minéralogie, de Physique des Matériaux et de Cosmochimie (IMPMC), Paris. He studies isotopic composition of interplanetary material by means of secondary-ion mass spectrometry. Jean was responsible for the curation of the Chang'e 5 lunar samples.

(79417) Tonylevin = 1997 KQ_1

Discovery: 1997-05-27 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Tony Levin (b. 1946) is an American bass player. He has played with many stars including Pink Floyd, John Lennon, Ringo Star, David Bowie, Peter Gabriel, King Crimson and Buddy Rich, as well as his own band The Stick Men. Tony has played over 2500 concerts and featured on 500 albums.

(79436) Steverothery = 1997 TD_6

Discovery: 1997-10-02 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Steve Rothery (b. 1959) is an English guitarist and the founding member of Marillion. Famous for the melodic, atmospheric playing behind hits such as "Kayleigh", he has recorded over twenty albums with the band, released solo albums including *The Ghosts of Pripyat*, and now leads the instrumental trio Bioscope.

(79485) Stevehackett = 1998 FH_{10}

Discovery: 1998-03-24 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Steve Hackett (b. 1950) is an English guitarist who gained prominence as the lead guitarist (1971–1977) of the progressive rock band Genesis. He contributed to six Genesis studio albums before he left to pursue a solo career, releasing 28 solo albums. Steve was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame as a member of Genesis in 2010.

(79643) Martynware = 1998 SF_{10}

Discovery: 1998-09-16 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Martyn Ware (b. 1956) is an English musician, composer, record producer and pioneer of electronic music. He is best known for co-founding the bands The Human League, Heaven 17, and the British Electric Foundation. Martyn's production credits include Tina Turner and span global hits to cutting-edge soundscapes.

(79645) Jancovici = 1998 SM_{11}

Discovery: 1998-09-19 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Jean-Marc Jancovici (b. 1962) is a French engineer, educator, and expert on energy and climate. Through his pioneering analyses of the links between energy, the economy, and climate change, he has greatly contributed to public understanding of the challenges of decarbonization and sustainable development.

(79766) Aurorestéphant = 1998 UQ_4

Discovery: 1998-10-20 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Aurore Stéphant (b. 1975) is a French geologist and mining engineer whose research on the environmental and social impacts of mineral extraction has advanced understanding of resource sustainability. Her work has informed public debate on responsible mining and the future of critical raw materials.

(79842) Jourdain = 1998 WG_{42}

Discovery: 1998-11-19 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Roland Jourdain (b. 1964) is a Breton-born French sailor and offshore racer. He won the Route du Rhum twice, in 2006 and 2010, and competed in several Vendée Globe races. A pioneer of sustainable sailing, Roland is also committed to ocean conservation and environmental protection.

(79849) Denismourard = 1998 XJ_{14}

Discovery: 1998-12-15 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Denis Mourard (b. 1962) is a French astrophysicist. He played a pivotal role in advancing optical interferometry, leading groundbreaking projects such as GI2T/REGAIN, the VEGA beam combiner at CHARA, and the development of SPICA. Denis' contributions solidified this technique as a cornerstone for high-angular-resolution stellar astrophysics.

(79869) Pascalfouqué = 1998 YG_5

Discovery: 1998-12-18 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Pascal Fouqué (b. 1958) is a French astrophysicist. He first worked in Paris as a radioastronomer, then moved to Chile for the DENIS infrared survey and the EROS-2 program. Pascal then worked in Toulouse on exoplanets detected by microlensing and moved to Hawaii at CFHT as a resident astronomer to study exoplanets.

(121018) Malvinabillères = 1999 BC_6

Discovery: 1999-01-20 / ODAS / Caussols / 910

Malvina Billères (b. 1972) is a French physicist. She obtained a Ph.D. in astrophysics from Toulouse and Montréal in 1999. She spent five years in Chile, first as an ESO fellow at the NTT/La Silla telescope and then as a fellow at Universidad de Chile. Returning to France in 2006, she is the manager of scientific research teams at CEA/Grenoble.

(151280) Valeriorizzo = 2002 AM_{188}

Discovery: 2002-01-10 / CINEOS / Campo Imperatore / 599

Valerio Rizzo (1992–2025) was an Italian classical and jazz pianist who taught at the 'Arturo Toscanini' Conservatoire. He performed internationally with renowned artists and orchestras, and composed the posthumously-released jazz album *Colmare D'Argento*.

(199999) Nickgrossman = 2007 JZ_{39}

Discovery: 2007-05-12 / Mount Lemmon Survey / Mount Lemmon / G96

Nathaniel "Nick" Grossman (b. 1937) is an American mathematician and Professor Emeritus at UCLA. Formerly at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, he was awarded both a Humboldt Research and NRC Fellowship. Nathaniel has published research on differential geometry, mathematical geodesy, asymptotics and special functions, and celestial mechanics.

(246333) Williamdane = 2007 TK_{238}

*Discovery: 2007-10-10 / R. Holmes * / Charleston / H55*

William Dane (b. 1978) was part of a small team of students in Massachusetts, USA, that worked on developing successful best practices for hunting NEOs. He collaborated with other schools as part of a nationwide search program. Name proposed by team leader Hughes Pack, who participated in the IASC.

(249542) Edwardyoung = 2010 HS_{37}

Discovery: 2010-04-21 / WISE / WISE / C51

Edward Young (b. 1959) is an American professor of Geochemistry at the University of California, Los Angeles. He combines observations, novel mass spectrometry, and modeling to study solar-system origin, planetary formation and atmospheric evolution, as well as the structure of exoplanets.

(257425) Davykirkpatrick = 2010 JD_{24}

Discovery: 2010-05-04 / WISE / WISE / C51

J. Davy Kirkpatrick (b. 1964) is an American astronomer at IPAC, Caltech. His research focuses on the discovery and characterization of low-mass stars, brown dwarfs and free-floating planets. He is a member of the 2MASS, WISE, NEOWISE, and NEO Surveyor teams, and used data from these surveys to help establish the L-, T-, and Y-dwarf spectral classes.

(257437) Schuylervandyk = 2010 NW_{68}

Discovery: 2010-07-14 / WISE / WISE / C51

Schuyler Van Dyk (b. 1959) is an American astronomer working at IPAC at Caltech. His research focuses on the analysis of supernovae and their progenitors. Schuyler is a member of the 2MASS, Spitzer Space Telescope, and NEOWISE teams.

(257438) Marcyharbut = 2010 OH_{98}

Discovery: 2010-07-28 / WISE / WISE / C51

Marcy Harbut (b. 1970) is an American scientific communicator working at IPAC at Caltech. Her work includes the production of end-user manuals for data archives as well as IPAC social-media communications. Marcy has produced Explanatory Supplement documents for multiple astronomy missions including Kepler, Spitzer, WISE, and NEOWISE.

(263391) Grüntzig = 2008 DA

Discovery: 2008-02-16 / E. Schwab, R. Kling / Taunus / B01

Andreas Roland Grüntzig (1939–1985) was a German physician, radiologist and cardiologist who pioneered balloon angioplasty for narrowed arteries, revolutionizing cardiovascular care. His innovations saved countless lives, including those of the two discoverers of this minor planet.

(278417) Kerschbaum = 2007 RR_{146}

Discovery: 2007-09-14 / E. Schwab, R. Kling / Taunus / B01

Franz Kerschbaum (b. 1963) is an Austrian astrophysicist at the University of Vienna. He researches the late stages of stellar evolution using infrared astronomy, interferometry, and space instrumentation. Franz's work includes contributions to ESA missions such as the Herschel Space Observatory and the forthcoming Ariel mission.

(342204) Oak Cliff = 2008 SZ_{223}

*Discovery: 2008-09-26 / R. Holmes * / Charleston / H55*

Oak Cliff, a town in Dallas, Texas, gets its name from the massive oaks along the Trinity River cliffs. Oak Cliff's town blends historic charm, cultural diversity, and a keen sense of community within its residential neighborhoods, arts districts, and green spaces. Name suggested by Oak Cliff's college students and educators who participated in the IASC.

(407041) Olganevskaya = 2009 SQ_{99}

Discovery: 2009-09-20 / V. Nevski / Vitebsk / B42

Olga Nevskaya (b. 1977) is the discoverer's wife, who has supported him in all his endeavors for more than 30 years. She is a traveler and a lover of mountain hiking and climbing mountain peaks.

(487884) Saoras = 2015 TS_{142}

Discovery: 2009-08-28 / T. V. Kryachko, B. Satovski / Zelenchukskaya / 114

The Special Astrophysical Observatory (SAO) of the Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS) is located at Nizhnij Arkhyz. It has the 6-m Bolshoi Teleskop Alt-azimutalnyi (BTA) reflector and a radio telescope with a 600-meter ring antenna. From 1976 to 1992, the BTA was the world's largest telescope. It is used to study galaxies, stars, and the interstellar medium.

(566277) Sharonchan = 2017 RN_{76}

Discovery: 2006-09-18 / D. D. Balam / Maunakea / 568

Sharon Chan (b. 2005) is a Canadian astrophysics student at the University of British Columbia and a telescope operator for the UBC Southern (Thunderbird) Observatory located in Chile. She is a close collaborator with the Optical Transient Survey conducted at the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory of the National Research Council of Canada.

(574548) Plume = 2010 RQ_{183}

Discovery: 2007-04-07 / D. D. Balam, K. M. Perrett / Maunakea / 568

René Plume (b. 1966) is a Canadian Professor of physics and astronomy at the University of Calgary. His research interests are focused on infrared and submillimeter-wave radio astronomy as applied to the physics and chemistry of the interstellar medium and star formation.

(583418) Herbertgush = 2016 GW_{202}

Discovery: 2007-07-24 / D. D. Balam, K. M. Perrett / Maunakea / 568

Herbert Gush (1929–2025) was a Canadian astrophysicist at the University of British Columbia. He pioneered the techniques of radio interferometry, but is best known for his definitive evidence that the cosmic microwave background has a precise thermal spectrum. This demonstrated that the universe was in good thermal equilibrium when it was only 10 days old.

(597469) Denisleahy = 2007 GV_{71}

Discovery: 2007-04-07 / D. D. Balam, K. M. Perrett / Maunakea / 568

Denis Alan Leahy (b. 1952) is a Canadian astronomer and professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Calgary. His research interests include the study of radio pulsars, supernova remnants, compact objects and high-energy astrophysics in general.

(604429) Lokhorst = 2015 PD_{274}

Discovery: 2007-06-12 / D. D. Balam, K. M. Perrett / Maunakea / 568

Deborah Lokhorst (b. 1992) is a Canadian astronomer at the National Research Council of Canada's Herzberg Astronomy & Astrophysics Research Centre. Her research interests include investigation into galaxy formation and evolution using advanced instrumentation. Deborah is an adjunct professor at the University of Victoria.

(656064) Vladimirasmolov = 2015 UR_{66}

Discovery: 2010-07-16 / T. V. Kryachko, B. Satovski / Zelenchukskaya / 114

Vladimir Asmolov (b. 1946) is a distinguished Soviet and Russian thermal physicist. An expert in nuclear safety and severe accidents, he contributed to the study of heat transfer in nuclear plants and served as a Chernobyl disaster liquidator.

(665583) Nikiforov = 2009 SB_{14}

Discovery: 2009-09-17 / T. V. Kryachko, B. Satovski / Zelenchukskaya / 114

Andrey Nikiforov (b. 1991) is a Russian educator, amateur astronomer, and lecturer at the Grand Novosibirsk Planetarium. He contributes to the popularization of astronomy and the promotion of science among schoolchildren and young people through lectures, astrophotography, books, articles, and television programs.

(681819) Shriekback = 2005 WF_{59}

Discovery: 2005-11-20 / J.-C. Merlin / Nogales / 926

Shriekback is an English rock band formed in 1981 in Kentish Town by Barry Andrews, Dave Allen and Carl Marsh. The band's early music was a funk-influenced version of new wave and post-punk, later moving towards art rock. Several Shriekback songs appear in producer Michael Mann's television series *Miami Vice* and his film *Manhunter.*

(710231) Jávorkaágoston = 2013 QW_{101}

*Discovery: 2013-08-31 / T. Csörgei, K. Sárneczky * / Piszkés-tető / 461*

Ágoston Jávorka (b. 1963) is a Slovak amateur astronomer and optician. He has built and figured many telescopes for fellow amateurs, supporting the growth of the community. Jávorka now focuses on public outreach, actively promoting astronomy and space exploration.

(779957) Dolea = 2012 DB_{86}

Discovery: 2012-02-26 / EURONEAR / Roque de los Muchachos / 950

Paul Dolea (b. 1957) is a Romanian physicist working in space sciences and technologies at the Technical University of Cluj-Napoca. He has been involved in national and ESA projects, and he co-founded the Astronomical Observatory Mărișel, a dedicated research and training laboratory hosting many educational and public-outreach events.

(819720) Neculairădulescu = 2014 LE_{37}

Discovery: 2014-06-09 / EURONEAR / Roque de los Muchachos / 950

Neculai Rădulescu (b. 1944) is a Romanian astronomer and mathematician who graduated from the University of Bucharest. Interested in satellite and solar observations, he has been a leading member of the Bucharest Astroclub, the oldest amateur astronomy club in Romania. Neculai has promoted astronomy and public outreach, publishing books and many articles.

(865364) Daianji = 2015 FX_{488}

Discovery: 2015-03-18 / COIAS / Maunakea / T09

Okayama Daianji Secondary School was the first secondary school in Okayama, Japan. Its name derives from the area having been an estate of the Daianji temple in Nara, inheriting its traditions of scholarship. Based on the spirit of "Shitei-Dougyou" (teachers and students learning together), students develop inquiring minds and problem-solving skills.

(868690) Fajardo-Acosta = 2016 FR_{14}

Discovery: 2016-03-28 / WISE / WISE / C51

Sergio Fajardo-Acosta (b. 1965) is a Mexican-American astronomer working at IPAC at Caltech. His research focuses on the study of young planetary systems, brown dwarfs, and white dwarfs at infrared wavelengths. Sergio is a member of the Spitzer Science Center Team, and the WISE, NEOWISE, and NEO Surveyor Science Data Center Teams.

(872236) Carlgrillmair = 2018 CY_4

Discovery: 2015-04-12 / WISE / WISE / C51

Carl Grillmair (1959–2026) was a Canadian-American astronomer working at IPAC at Caltech. His research focused on galactic halos and stellar debris streams, and he used survey data to identify dozens of tidal stellar streams around the Milky Way. Carl was a member of the Spitzer Science Center Team, and the WISE, NEOWISE and NEO Surveyor Science Data Center.

Recent Comet Namings & Numberings

Recently-assigned comet names and numbering of periodic comets are listed below. The recently-assigned names list indicates, using an asterisk, any comet whose discovery is eligible for the Edgar Wilson Award (for multi-part names, the eligibility of each part is indicated by a dash [no] or an asterisk [yes]), as well as the reference where the name first appears (this may not be the circular announcing the discovery, or the first appearance of a name if the name was modified subsequently). If a date appears as the reference, it refers to the date that a News note of a name change appeared on the WGSBN website. If a name contains accented characters, the approved ASCII-only version of the name is included between [...]: note that any print, PDF or web usage must use the proper accented form. Newly-numbered objects that are being accorded dual status are flagged as such.

Recent Namings (in reverse chronological order)

P/2026 P1 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-Q98
C/2026 N1 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-Q42
C/2026 O1 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-P49
C/2026 M5 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-P39
C/2026 M3 (MASTER)		*MPEC* 2026-N90
C/2026 L2 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-L104
C/2026 AZ_{17} (Bok)		*MPEC* 2026-L52
C/2026 L1 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-L49
C/2026 J1 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-K105
C/2026 H3 (Bok)		*MPEC* 2026-K33
C/2026 H2 (Leonard)		*MPEC* 2026-J15
C/2026 H1 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-H102
C/2026 A3 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-F279
C/2026 A2 (Bok)		*MPEC* 2026-F122
P/2026 C2 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-F121
C/2026 C1 (Tsuchinshan)		*MPEC* 2026-F119
C/2025 A1 (Lemmon)		*MPEC* 2026-F30
C/2026 B3 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-D28
C/2026 B2 (Sun-Gao)	*	*MPEC* 2026-B203
516P/2026 B1 = P/2013 G10 = P/2018 X4 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-B202
C/2026 A1 (MAPS)	*	*MPEC* 2026-B129
C/2025 Y3 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-B128
P/2025 Y2 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-A121
C/2025 X1 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2026-A15
P/2025 W4 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2025-Y30
P/2025 W3 (Kresken)		*MPEC* 2025-X48

C/2025 W2 (ATLAS)		*MPEC* 2025-X47
C/2025 W1 (Sankovich)	*	*MPEC* 2025-X33
C/2025 V2 (Rankin)		*MPEC* 2025-W57
P/2025 UX_{109} (Ye)		2025-11-18
P/2025 U1 (Hogan)		*MPEC* 2025-V41
C/2025 V1 (Borisov)	*	*MPEC* 2025-V40
C/2025 T1 (ATLAS)		*MPEC* 2025-U35
C/2025 Q3 (ATLAS)		*MPEC* 2025-T165
C/2025 R3 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2025-R104
C/2025 R2 (SWAN)		*MPEC* 2025-R102
C/2025 R1 (ATLAS)		*MPEC* 2025-R73
511P/2025 Q2 = P/2015 X9 = P/2020 O5 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2025-R67
C/2025 Q1 (ATLAS)		*MPEC* 2025-R19
C/2025 O2 (MAPS)	*	*MPEC* 2025-Q231
C/2025 L2 (MAPS)	*	2025-08-09
C/2023 RS_{61} (PANSTARRS)		2025-08-09
C/2012 KA_{51} (Palomar)		2025-08-09
504P/2010 LH_{155} (WISE-PANSTARRS)		2025-08-09
506P/2010 KG_{43} = P/2010 PT_8 (WISE-LINEAR)		2025-08-09
505P/2009 KF_{37} (Palomar)		2025-08-09
C/2024 XK_{14} (Bok)		*MPEC* 2025-N87
C/2025 N2 (ATLAS)		*MPEC* 2025-N76
C/2025 M3 (PANSTARRS)		*MPEC* 2025-N75
3I/2025 N1 (ATLAS)		*MPEC* 2025-N12

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516P/2026 B1 = P/2013 G10 = P/2018 X4 (PANSTARRS)	*MPC* 192010
515P/2017 B4 = P/2026 AH_{19} (PANSTARRS)	*MPC* 192010
514P/2015 TO_{19} = P/2025 S4 (Lemmon-PANSTARRS)	*MPC* 188984
513P/2005 T5 = P/2025 S1 (Broughton)	*MPC* 187072
512P/2012 T2 = P/2025 O3 (PANSTARRS)	*MPC* 187072
511P/2025 Q2 = P/2015 X9 = P/2020 O5 (PANSTARRS)	*MPC* 187072
510P/2010 U1 = P/2025 M4 (Boattini)	*MPC* 185970
509P/2007 C2 = P/2024 T6 (Catalina)	*MPC* 185970
508P/2005 J1 = P/2025 O1 (McNaught)	*MPC* 185970
507P/2007 SA_{24} (Lemmon)	*MPC* 184785
506P/2010 KG_{43} = P/2010 PT_8 (WISE-LINEAR)	*MPC* 184785
505P/2009 KF_{37} (Palomar)	*MPC* 184785
504P/2010 LH_{155} (WISE-PANSTARRS)	*MPC* 184785
3I/2025 N1 (ATLAS)	*MPEC* 2025-N12
503P/2018 L1 = P/2011 F2 = P/2025 F3 (PANSTARRS)	*MPC* 183284
502P/2003 QX_{29} = P/2025 H1 (NEAT)	*MPC* 183284
501P/2024 L4 = P/2014 N4 = P/2017 B6 (Rankin)	*MPC* 183284
500P/2019 A8 = P/2025 B3 (PANSTARRS)	*MPC* 183284

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