Abstract

We report on a gamma-ray blazar optical monitoring programme that is underway that can provide both short-term and long-term optical variability data for key southern hemisphere sources. Ten sources are being monitored in this programme, with a focus on PKS 2155-304 and PKS 2005-489 during the austral winter of 2013. Both sources were monitored with 3 filters (V, R and I) and over 20,000 images were taken over a period of 5 months. Preliminary analysis of some of this data indicates no major flaring episodes in the optical band.

Keywords

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