

Web 2.0: annotations at the CDS

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Summary

- Features
- Public release
- Perspectives

Features

- Definition (extract from the official documentation)
 - *The annotations service allows the users to make comments and notify errors on the data available through CDS services.*
- User authentication
 - Built on an independent login service
- Create, reply to and edit annotations
- Follow annotations (by object, by user or the last ones)
 - Subscription to e-mail alert system
 - RSS flux
- Administration
 - Manage annotations (delete, moderate, change status, view stats,...)
 - Manage users (visualize the list, edit their role, status,...)

Features (2)

- Richer content for an annotation thanks to *bbcode*
 - List of items
 - Simple http link
 - SIMBAD object link (with on-the-fly check of the existence)
 - Bibliographical link (with on-the-fly check of the well-formedness)
- Search by keywords among all annotations
- A new page to view last annotations
- Improved notification e-mails
 - Alternative html content => better formatting of the annotation and links
 - Link to unsubscribe

Features (3)

- Moderation of an annotation
 - An admin can add a message directly in an annotation, but visually appart from the original content created by the user
- Thanks to tests on a larger scale, more bugs could be fixed
 - Stable release
- Referencement by search engines
 - `<noscript>` tag added on html pages, containing annotations content (because robots can't read javascript generated content)
- Users can specify their first name and last name
 - Option to make this information public or private
 - This can help on avoiding anonymity and enforce trustworthiness

Measurements (2 types) :

IUE : 4 V* : 1

[display selected measurements](#)

[display all measurements](#)

[clear](#)

External archives :

Catalogue information from [VizieR](#)

[V* V407 Cyg](#)

[GSC 03588-02258](#)

[2MASS J21020980+4546329](#)

Annotations :


[display existing annotations \(1\)](#)

[add an annotation](#)

[report an error](#)

Sort by: **Date** ▾

◀ ◁ 1 2 3 4 5 6 ▶ ▶


jgsimbad on 2010-03-13 at 13:00 



V* V407 Cyg object - view in  · [annotations](#)

= Variable Star V407 Cygni. Confirmed in the single reference paper mentioned in this object entry's page, specifically in [Table 3](#) of [Deguchi et al. 2005](#).


[V407 Cygni](#) already has a full SIMBAD Object Entry

 The 2 stars have been merged in Simbad


Edited by fox1 on 2010-03-13 18:47

drklein (Randolf Klein) on 2010-03-12 at 21:33 




GAL 060.88-00.13 object - view in  · [annotations](#)


This object is also listed as IRAS 19442+2428. This IRAS number is used in the literature, though it does not exist in the IRAS PSC. The IRAS source to this position is IRAS 19442+2427.

 The IRAS name was removed, and a note attached to the source [IRAS 19442+2427](#), a HII region distinct in Simbad from the maser source.

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kiraga on 2010-03-12 at 17:38 





2MASS J19235591-3018534 object - view in  · [annotations](#)

Eclipsing binary star with a period $P = 1.11578$ d. listed in ASAS Catalogue of Variable Stars ([Pojmanski 2002](#), [AcA](#), 52, 397, online: <http://www.astrouw.edu.pl/asas/?page=catalogues>).

Edited by Cilou on 2010-03-15 9:24

Write an annotation about V* V407 Cyg object

➔ [View object in Simbad](#) 

List  Link  Preview

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5000 character(s) remaining

► **Moderation text:**

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5000 character(s) remaining

- Notify the SIMBAD team about an error on this object
- Make my annotation visible to CDS team only

Post my annotation

Cancel

 Note that you will be able to edit your annotation during 24 hours.

Public release

- On Tuesday, March 2nd the annotations service of the CDS has been opened to the public
 - Announcement
 - A CDS news has been created
 - A notification on top of SIMBAD object page has been added
 - E-mail announcement has been broadcasted
 - Official documentation
 - <http://cdsannotations.u-strasbg.fr/annotations/doc>
 - Guidelines
 - <http://cdsannotations.u-strasbg.fr/annotations/doc/guidelines.html>

Public release

- **Statistics at D+13**
 - **22** users have registered
 - **12** users have posted at least one annotation
 - **49** annotations have been posted
 - **3** private
 - **6** error notification
 - **46** SIMBAD objects have been annotated (so mainly 1 annotation per annotated object)
 - **~3500** pages viewed
- **Feedback from users**
 - Easy to subscribe and use the annotations service

Perspectives

- Consider users feedback and continue to improve the service
- Annotations for VizieR ?
- Collect of usage statistics
 - How is the annotations service used ?
 - A good complement to the data ?
 - What amount of « spam » ?
 - How does such a service impact a data center and its users ?
 - Is it a good thing ?

- Questions ?