

D3.12 Publication handling in relation to KASOC

KASC Strategies and Policies in the Extended Kepler Mission and K2

During the nominal Kepler mission a set of policies controlled the specific requirements in relation to publications and non-disclosure agreements. In the extended Kepler Mission and in K2 all data are public and there are no non-disclosure agreements or publication requirements in relation to NASA.

KASC, however, decided to provide guidelines for the KASC Data Analysis Procedure as well as the Scientific Publication Strategy and Policy in the Extended Kepler mission. The KASC Scientific Publications Strategy and Policy ensure that publications are accurate, that credit is fair to the authors and other contributors, and that the data and the science results should be provided to the scientific community and the public in a timely fashion. It is the aim of a continued KASC to ensure that full use is made of the Kepler data. This will be continued in the similar organization of the TESS Asteroseismic Science Consortium (TASC), which is now being established.

At the start of the Extended Kepler Mission the Kepler Asteroseismic Science Consortium (KASC) was restructured and rearranged. A number of important elements in the extended mission and K2 are:

- KASC is a structure supporting scientific collaborations. There are no special data rights in relation to raw Kepler data.
- KASC members are organized in working groups (WG). The WG structure was revised at the start of the extended mission. Analysis and publication of Kepler data are expected to be coordinated and carried out in the working groups.
- KASC has data access through the KASOC database. The KASOC webpage is password protected. Data are placed in the KASOC database as soon as possible after they are released by the Kepler Team. KASC data in KASOC contain photometric data (in FITS and ascii formats), pixel level data, processed data (WG-processed data), stellar models and ground-based data.
- Collaboration within KASC contains a well-defined publication strategy and a well-defined boundary for collaborations.

The KASOC publication database

In order to support the strategies and policies in the Extended Kepler Mission and in K2 we created a special area under KASOC to allow submission of new papers as well as a database containing existing KASC-related publications. This database can be accessed through the normal KASOC login. A screenshot of the publication database is shown below.

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