

Log CHARA 28/11/2013

Observers : Philippe, Simon, and Chris on the mountain

UT01:00 Start. Good conditions, no clouds!

UT01:20 Chris points a bright star : HD9826.

Configuration 2T : S2W2 (POPS 3,5)+ CLIMB

We begin with the **V38 program**. The seeing is around 6-6.5.

UT01:50 Fringes on CLIMB. The seeing gets better (~7-7.5).

UT02:00 We switch to HD17573 to make the cophasing.

UT02:10 We get the fringes on VEGA. **CLIMB_B1 = -0.85**

The two calibrators to HD22928 are not observable before 30 minutes. We add a third calibrator to the Starlist : **HD20677**.

HD22928CAL3W2S2.2013.11.28.02.39

UT02:40 We begin with HD22928 cal3 : HD20677. Seeing is rising: R0~9-10 ; we put 20 blocs. Nice fringes.

HD22928W2S2.2013.11.28.02.51

UT02:50 We go to the science star, HD22928. We put 15 blocs.

HD22928CAL1W2S2.2013.11.28.03.01

UT03:05 We switch to the first calibrator (which is now observable), HD22928CAL1: **HD25940**. We put 10 blocs. R0 still ~9-10.

HD22928W2S2.2013.11.28.03.10

UT03:10 Back to the science star. 10 blocs.

HD22928CAL1W2S2.2013.11.28.03.17

UT03:15 Go to cal.1 HD25940. 10 blocs.

HD22928W2S2.2013.11.28.03.25

UT03:27 Back to science star. 10 blocs. R0 ~9.

~~**HD22928CAL2W2S2.2013.11.28.03.33**~~

We try to go to the cal2 but it's still too early.

HD22928CAL1W2S2.2013.11.28.03.34

UT03:35 Back to cal.1 HD25940. 10 blocs, fringes always nice. R0 ~10.

HD22928W2S2.2013.11.28.03.40

UT03:40 Again on HD22928. 10 blocs.

HD22928CAL1W2S2.2013.11.28.03.49

Problem with red cam.

HD22928CAL2W2S2.2013.11.28.04.07

We switch to cal.2 HD25642. We have a problem with the red detector. For this point we only record with blue detector while trying to get back the red one.

HD22928CAL2W2S2.2013.11.28.04.32

UT04:30 We do the cal.2 again, with the two cams!! 10 blocs, and the seeing is somewhat down (~8).

HD22928W2S2.2013.11.28.04.41

UT04:45 Now back to science target, 10 blocs. Seeing getting down:

HD22928CAL1W2S2.2013.11.28.04.48

UT04:50 We switch back to the first cal, HD25940. 10 blocs. Seeing ~7-7.5.

HD22928W2S2.2013.11.28.04.55

HD22928CAL2W2S2.2013.11.28.05.02 HD25642

HD22928W2S2.2013.11.28.05.11 seeing ~6.5

HD22928CAL1W2S2.2013.11.28.05.21 HD25940

HD22928W2S2.2013.11.28.05.27

HD22928CAL2W2S2.2013.11.28.05.34 HD25642. R0 ~7.

HD22928W2S2.2013.11.28.05.41

HD22928CAL1W2S2.2013.11.28.05.53 HD25940

D_R720.2013.11.28.06.00 Calibration spectrale.

Configuration 3T: E2,W2,S2 (POPS 1,5,5) + CLIMB

We go to the **V23 program** with **Theta Ori**.

UT06:20 Chris points on HD34503 (calib) to search for CLIMB fringes. Clouds incoming... Much clouds passing.. We cannot cophase nor observe. Have to wait.

UT08:05 Chris tries another star bright in K to find fringes on CLIMB.

UT08:35 Try to find fringes on SS Lep. CLIMB fringes, but not very nice. Go back to HD34503 to have more flux.

HD37022CAL1E2W2S2.2013.11.28.06.11 (HD34503) We finally give up after Chris spent two hours

and a half looking for the fringes with about a dozen stars. Lots of clouds and low flux.

Configuration 2T:S1S2 (POPS 5,5) + CLIMB

We switch to the ultimate back-up : **Eps Aur** !!!!! (program **V27**). No way to observe, no flux...

UT12:50 Telescopes closed. Sky completely cloudy and no flux on Eps Aur.

END of the night