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## Novaе in 2015–2017: Official Announcement of GCVS Names

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GCVS names are announced for 20 galactic Novaе discovered in 2015–2017.

According to an agreement between the team of the General Catalogue of Variable Stars (GCVS; Samus et al. 2017) and the Central Bureau of Astronomical Telegrams (CBAT) reached in 1998, GCVS names for galactic Novaе and some other variable stars of special interest can be given, upon BAT suggestion, between regular Name-lists of Variable Stars. These GCVS names are supposed to be announced in IAU Circulars or Central Bureau Electronic Telegrams and then enter the next regular Name-list. This practice meets approval of the astronomical community, new names begin to be frequently used by researchers immediately after the variable's discovery.

Kazarovets and Samus (2015) announced GCVS names for 13 variable stars (Novaе and stars of other rare types, ZAND and FU) discovered in 2013–2015. These names were also included into the GCVS Name-list No. 81 (Kazarovets et al. 2015ab). As reported in Kazarovets and Samus (2015), recent Novaе, currently often initially announced not in the CBAT sources, frequently remained not noticed by the CBAT at all.

The present paper announced official GCVS names for 20 Novaе. Only for nine of them, the GCVS names have already been announced in the IAU Circulars (Kazarovets and Samus 2016abcdefg; Samus and Kazarovets 2017ab). Necessary information on the new discoveries is presented in Table 1. These stars will enter the GCVS Name-list No. 82, now in preparation.

The case of V1658 Sco needs a special explanation. This is the star OGLE-2015-NOVA-01, which we erroneously named V5852 Sgr and communicated this name to the team investigating the star (cf. Aydi et al. 2016). Since the coordinates of the star correspond to the constellation Scorpius, we follow our usual practice and recommend using the name V1658 Sco as the permanent one for this Nova in future.

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Table 1: New GCVS names for Novae

GCVS name	Nova	Coordinates (J2000.0) h, m, s      °, ' , "	Type	Range, mag	JD of maximum	Ref.
V1404 Cen	OGLE-2015-NOVA-03	14 07 31.34 -63 13 11.5	NA	10.7 < 20.0	Ic	2457091:
V1405 Cen	ASASSN-17gk	13 20 55.32 -63 42 18.5	N	10.7 < 17.4	V	2457900
V0407 Lup	N Lup 2016	15 29 01.82 -44 49 40.9	NA	5.6 < 17.5	V	2457657
V0555 Nor	ASASSN-16ra	15 41 45.38 -53 08 07.0	NA	12.4 < 22.	V	2457481
V3661 Oph	N Oph 2016	17 35 50.5 -29 34 24.	N	10.8 < 22.	V	2457450:
V3662 Oph	TCP J17394608-2457555	17 39 46.09 -24 57 55.1	NA	14.1 < 22.	V	2457874:
V3663 Oph	PNV J17184504-245422.1	17 18 45.04 -24 54 22.1	N	9.3 < 20.	V	2458069
V5853 Sgr	N Sgr 2016 No. 2	18 01 07.74 -26 31 42.0	N	11.5 < 22.	V	2457611
V5854 Sgr	N Sgr 2016 No. 1	17 49 57.33 -29 14 37.9	N	13.3 < 21.2	Ic	2457584
V5855 Sgr	N Sgr 2016 No. 3	18 10 28.29 -27 29 59.3	NA	7.7 < 22.	V	2457686
V5856 Sgr	PNV J18205200-2822100	18 20 52.25 -28 22 12.1	NA	5.4 < 22.	V	2457700
V1655 Sco	N Sco 2016	17 38 19.27 -37 25 09.1	N	12.1 19. :	V	2457551
V1656 Sco	N Sco 2016 No. 2	17 19 51.43 -31 58 36.3	N	11.4 < 22.	V	2457639
V1657 Sco	N Sco 2017	16 52 18.65 -37 54 16.6	N	12.8 < 17.	V	2457781:
V1658 Sco	OGLE-2015-NOVA-01	17 48 12.82 -32 35 13.4	NA	12.3 20.8	Ic	2457116
V1659 Sco	ASASSN-16kb	17 42 57.68 -33 25 42.9	N	12.3 < 20. :	V	2457639
V1660 Sco	ASASSN-17nj	17 30 34.18 -31 06 06.8	N	14.0 < 22.	V	2458041:
V0611 Sct	ATLAS16crq	18 25 29.86 -09 47 33.5	NA	13.4 < 22.	V	2457639
V0612 Sct	ASASSN-17hx	18 31 45.92 -14 18 57.1	NB	8.4 < 20.	V	2457965
V0549 Vel	ASASSN-17mt	08 50 29.58 -47 45 28.6	NB:	9.1 < 16.9	V	2458044

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