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## SUPERNOVA 2005dg IN ESO 420-3

L. A. G. Monard, Pretoria, S. Africa, reports his discovery of an apparent supernova (mag ~ 16.6 ± 0.2) on three unfiltered CCD images taken on 2005 Aug. 5.14 UT with a 0.30-m Schmidt-Cassegrain reflector; a confirming image was obtained on Aug. 6.136 (the object's magnitude then ~ 16.5). SN 2005dg is located at  $\alpha = 4^{h}07^{m}46^{s}25$ ,  $\delta = -29^{o}51'28''.1$  (equinox 2000.0), which is 7" east and 6" north of the nucleus of ESO 420-3. Nothing is visible at this location on the Digitized Sky Survey (limiting red mag 20.5) or on an image taken on 2005 July 20.130 by Monard (limiting red mag 18.2).

#### SUPERNOVA 2005df IN NGC 1559

M. Salvo and B. Schmidt, Australian National University (ANU); and M. Owers, University of New South Wales, report that preliminary reduction of a spectrum (range 390–700 nm), obtained on Aug. 5.83 UT with the ANU 2.3-m telescope (+ Double-Beam Spectrograph), shows SN 2005df (*IAUC* 8580) to be a somewhat-unusual young type-Ia supernova. Crosscorrelation with a library of template spectra suggests a similarity between this object and SN 1986G when a few days before maximum light (Phillips *et al.* 1987, *PASP* **99**, 592). Adopting the NED recession velocity for the host galaxy (from Koribalski *et al.* 2004, *A.J.* **128**, 16) the expansion velocity of the Si-II 635.5-nm line is around 15300 km/s.

#### SUPERNOVA 2005de IN UGC 11097

R. J. Foley, D. Perley, J. S. Bloom, University of California, Berkeley; and J. X. Prochaska, University of California, Santa Cruz, report that inspection of CCD spectra (range 390–1000 nm), obtained on Aug. 4.34 UT with the Keck II 10-m telescope (+ ESI), shows that SN 2005de (cf. *IAUC* 8580) is of type Ia, resembling SN 1992A (Kirshner *et al.* 1993, *Ap.J.* **415**, 589) at a few days before maximum brightness. Adopting a redshift of 4481 km/s (from Na D absorption lines in the spectrum), the expansion velocity of Si II (rest 635.5 nm) is ~ 13300 km/s.

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Additional visual magnitude estimates (cf. *IAUC* 8575): July 30.93 UT, 9.6 (J. G. de S. Aguiar, Campinas, Brazil); Aug. 3.90, 10.6 (J. Carvajal, Avila, Spain).

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