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COMETS C/2007 Y3-Y9 (SOHO)

Further to *IAUC* 8920, additional near-sun comets have been found on SOHO website images; all were Kreutz sungrazers except for Marsdengroup member C/2007 Y4 and Meyer-group member C/2007 Y8 — both of which were small and stellar in appearance, reaching mag ~ 6.5 (though the latter object brightened extremely fast in the first hour or two of visibility and became noticeably larger in that time — atypical for Meyer-group objects). K. Battams suggested the identity of C/2007 Y4 with C/2002 R4 (cf. *MPEC* 2002-S35; *IAUC* 7984), and B. G. Marsden published a linked orbit on *MPEC* 2008-B49 that suggests an approach to within 0.063 AU of the earth on 1997 June 14.7 (T = 1997 May 15.2). C/2007 Y3 was quite diffuse and small (mag ~ 7.5). C/2007 Y5 was quite bright (mag ~ 5.5) and teardrop-shaped (with a hint of a stubby tail). C/2007 Y6 was very diffuse (mag ~ 8) with a hint of a tail. C/2007 Y7 was tiny and a little diffuse (mag ~ 8.5). C/2007 Y9 was quite diffuse, only reaching mag 7.5.

Comet	2007 UT	α_{2000}	δ_{2000}	Inst.	\mathbf{F}	MPEC
C/2007 Y3	Dec. 21.104	$17^{h}58.9$	$-25^{\circ}14^{'}$	C2	\mathbf{SY}	2008-B49
C/2007 Y4	21.754	$18 \ 03.4$	-24 07	C2	$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{K}$	2008-B49
C/2007 Y5	22.571	$18 \ 13.9$	-28 25	C3	$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{K}$	2008-B49
C/2007 Y6	26.338	$18 \ 23.2$	-2500	C2	SY	2008-B49
C/2007 Y7	26.688	$18 \ 25.0$	$-24\ 47$	C2	HS	2008-B49
C/2007 Y8	28.079	$18\ 25.6$	-22 10	C2	$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{K}$	2008-B61
C/2007 Y9	28.638	$18 \ 37.4$	-2606	C3	RM	2008-B61

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