















The Vera C. Rubin Observatory Data Preview 2

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ABSTRACT

We present Rubin Data Preview 2 (DP2), the second data preview from the NSF-DOE Vera C. Rubin Observatory,

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1. INTRODUCTION
2. COMMISSIONING WITH LSSTCAM
3. OVERVIEW OF THE CONTENTS OF RUBIN DP2
4. DATA RELEASE PROCESSING
5. PERFORMANCE CHARACTERIZATION AND KNOWN ISSUES
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60 Qserv (Wang et al. 2011; Mueller et al. 2025), Slurm,
61 HTCondor, CVMFS, FTS3, ESN

APPENDIX

Glossary

63 **Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy:**

64 consortium of US institutions and international
65 affiliates that operates world-class astronomical
66 observatories, AURA is the legal entity respon-
67 sible for managing what it calls independent
68 operating Centers, including LSST, under respec-
69 tive cooperative agreements with the National
70 Science Foundation. AURA assumes fiducial

72 responsibility for the funds provided through
73 those cooperative agreements. AURA also is the
74 legal owner of the AURA Observatory properties
75 in Chile.

76 **AURA:** Association of Universities for Research in As-
77 tronomy.

78 **DP2:** Data Preview 2.

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