

2022 Annual Report of the Working Group for Planetary System Nomenclature (WGPSN)

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Report for the period 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

Working Group member William Sheehan resigned on 2 June 2022.

New members: Ruth Ziethe (Switzerland) joined on 18 July 2022 and James A. Skinner, Jr. (U.S.A.) on 17 October 2022.

From 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022, 83 new names have been assigned for planetary surface features (Mercury: 19, Moon: 3, Mars: 36, Europa: 7, Titan: 11, Pluto: 7).

During this same time period the following additional actions have been taken:

- Arrokoth:
 - Names for the two lobes of Arrokoth were approved: Weeyo (smaller lobe) and Wenu (larger lobe), and the descriptor term “lobus” was approved for these features.
- Saturn:
 - 13 names were approved for moons of Saturn:
 - Gridr (Saturn LIV)
 - Angrboda (Saturn LV)
 - Skrymir (Saturn LVI)
 - Gerd (Saturn LVII)
 - Eggther (Saturn LIX)
 - Beli (Saturn LXI)
 - Gunnlod (Saturn LXII)
 - Thiazzi (Saturn LXIII)
 - Alvaldi (Saturn LXV)
 - Geirrod (Saturn LXVI)

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