



Figure 1.

Recent NTT Pictures

Substantial progress has been made in the preassembly of the NTT telescope at INNSE at Brescia.

Figure 1 shows the status of the fork at the end of May. The azimuth axial hydrostatic bearing has been tested at full load. The tube has been preassembled and will shortly be integrated into the fork.

Figure 2 shows in the background other components of the telescope (wooden boxes containing prime mirror cover and the two toothed altitude wheels on top of the dummy simulating the mirror plus the mirror cell) ready for the preassembly. It is expected to terminate the mechanics assembly with full integration by July 1987.

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Figure 2.