

Erratum

The age of astronomy-related organizations

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An unfortunate intervention of digits remained undetected during all the publication steps of the paper (A&AS 135, 1999, 467-475) and introduced an erroneous (pre-Colombian!) date in Table 1 for the “range start” (4th column) of the “total sample Canada + U.S.A.” (4th line). The correct table should read as follows:

Table 1. Samples and properties

Sample	Description	Size	Range start (*)	Cumulative total	Weighted average	Sigma	Figure
1	Total	4371	1279	4286 (**)	1957.6	46.3	4
2	Total (Western Europe)	1734	1410	1704 (**)	1954.8	54.9	5
3	Total (Canada + U.S.A.)	1728	1746	1701 (**)	1960.6	39.3	6
4	Institutions	1066	1279	979 (**)	1940.4	64.3	7
5	Institutions (Western Europe)	305	1410	299 (**)	1930.9	81.0	8
6	Institutions (Canada + U.S.A.)	365	1746	356 (**)	1943.1	51.3	9
7	Associations	1019	1820	1007 (**)	1970.8	23.2	10
8	Associations (Western Europe)	536	1820	536	1972.8	22.6	11
9	Associations (Canada + U.S.A.)	342	1862	331 (**)	1968.3	23.9	12
10	Planetariums	416	1889	408 (**)	1969.3	17.0	13
11	Public Observatories	308	1675	308	1964.3	33.6	14
12	Publishers	144	1478	127 (**)	1939.6	72.8	15
13	Software Producers	157	1946	154 (**)	1984.4	8.5	16

(*) All ranges end in 1998, except the “publishers” one where no foundation year more recent than 1995 has been registered.

(**) A value lower than the size of the corresponding sample indicates that some duplications of entries for the same organizations (at different locations, but with the same foundation year) have counted only for one occurrence (see text).