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D. Malesani (SISSA), S. Piranomonte, F. Fiore (INAF/OARm), G. Tagliaferri, D. Fugazza (INAF/OABr), and R. Cosentino (INAF/TNG), report on behalf of a larger collaboration:

We imaged the field of the bright GRB 050525 (Band et al., GCN 3466; Markwardt et al., GCN 3467) with the Italian 3.6m TNG. Observations were performed under good observing conditions (seeing $\sim 1.1''$), even if close to the bright Moon.

The object reported by Rykoff et al. (GCNs 3465, 3468) is clearly detected in a single R-band image (2 min exposure) starting on 2005 Apr 25.07138 UT, 1.7 h after the GRB. Based on several nearby USNO stars, its magnitude is $R \sim 17.4$. We thus confirm the fading behaviour of this object.

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