

In Brief: Second meteorite in a month hits Norway

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A meteorite weighing about 4 pounds landed in western Norway during the weekend -- the second meteoritic impact in Norway within a month.

The meteorite, creating a crater about 10 inches deep, landed Sunday in the yard of a home, but caused no injuries or damage.

University of Stavanger Professor Per Amund Amundsen, a member of the Stavanger Astronomy Society, told Aftenposten meteorites land in Norway as often as every month, but most are never found. He called the incident "extremely exciting."

The meteorite might a valuable sales object, Aftenposten said, noting prices on the Internet for other meteorites ranged to more than \$100,000.

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