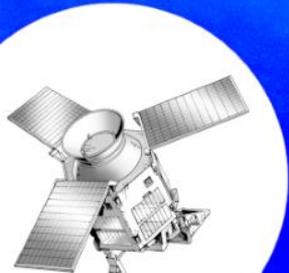


ESA & EUMETSAT EO Activities

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Fourth Joint School on Atmospheric Composition
28 Sept – 6 October 2022



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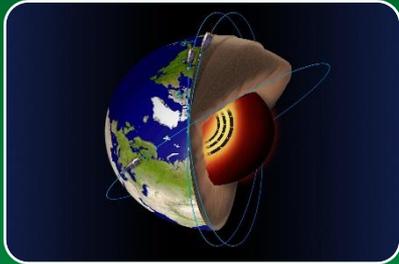
A satellite view of Earth at night, showing the curvature of the planet and the glowing lights of cities and continents. The lights are concentrated in the Eastern Hemisphere, particularly in Asia and Australia. The background is a deep, dark blue space.

1. Satellite Missions Overview

ESA EOP builds user-driven Missions

Member States

Earth Explorers



Defined by science partners in Member States through Open Calls

EU

Copernicus



EUMETSAT

Meteorology



Industry

InCubed

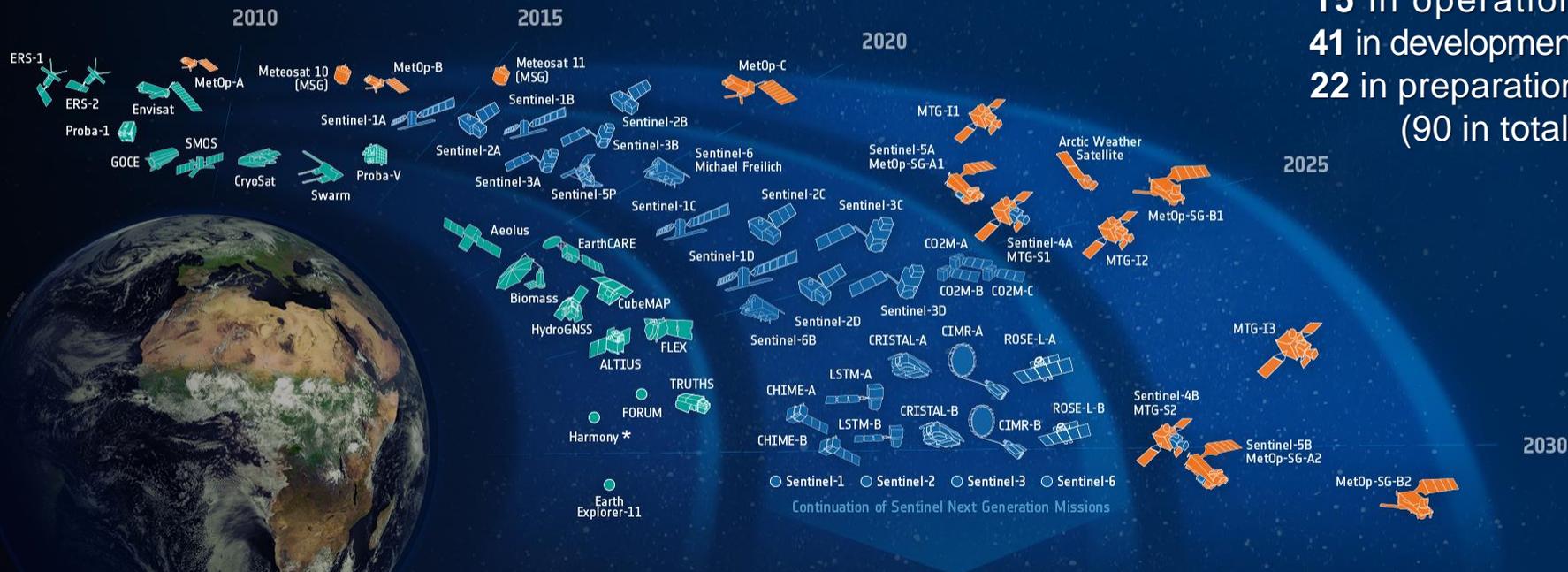


- Objectives come from partners & industry
- Mission Definition by ESA with industry, partners & users involved

ESA's Earth Observation Mission



Satellites
 12 in heritage
 15 in operation
 41 in development
 22 in preparation (90 in total)



*Pending final mission selection

Science Copernicus Meteorology



Earth Explorers



Meteorology

Meteosat (GEO) and MetOp-A/B/C (LEO) Series: weather forecasting and climate monitoring

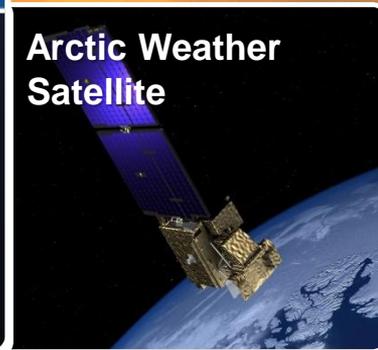
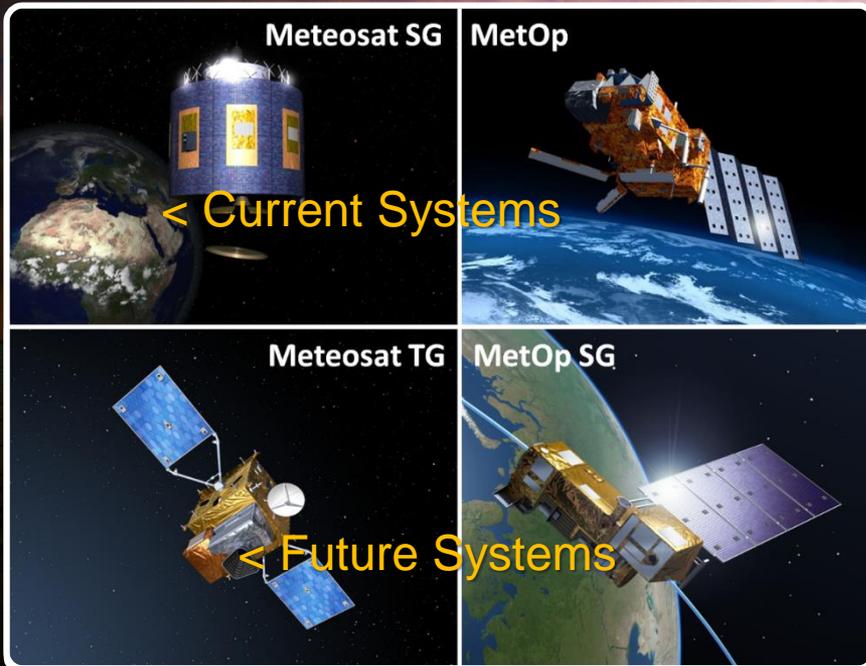
Metop Second Generation (Expected launch MetOpG-SG A1/B1/A2/B2 2024/25/31/32)

Meteosat Third Generation Imaging & Sounding (Expected launch MTG-I1/2/3 2022/25/32 - MTG-S1 2024)

Unique combination of novel products for “nowcasting” high impact weather and air quality

Arctic Weather Satellite Prototype (Expected launch 2024)

- Operational microwave meteorology over polar regions
- Improving Arctic and global weather forecasts



Copernicus Sentinels (First Generation)

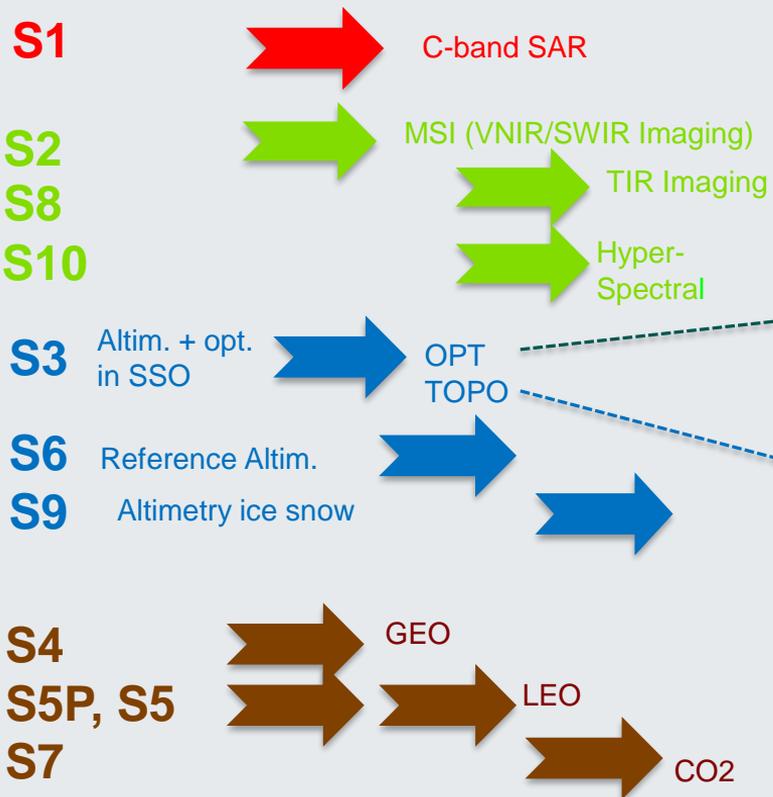


300 TB
of EO data
disseminated
daily to
society

- sentinel-1**
→ RADAR VISION
- sentinel-2**
→ COLOUR VISION
- sentinel-3**
→ A BIGGER PICTURE
- sentinel-4**
→ EUROPEAN AIR MONITORING
- sentinel-5p | sentinel-5**
→ GLOBAL AIR MONITORING
- sentinel-6**
→ CHARTING SEA LEVEL



Current & New Sentinels



Next Generation

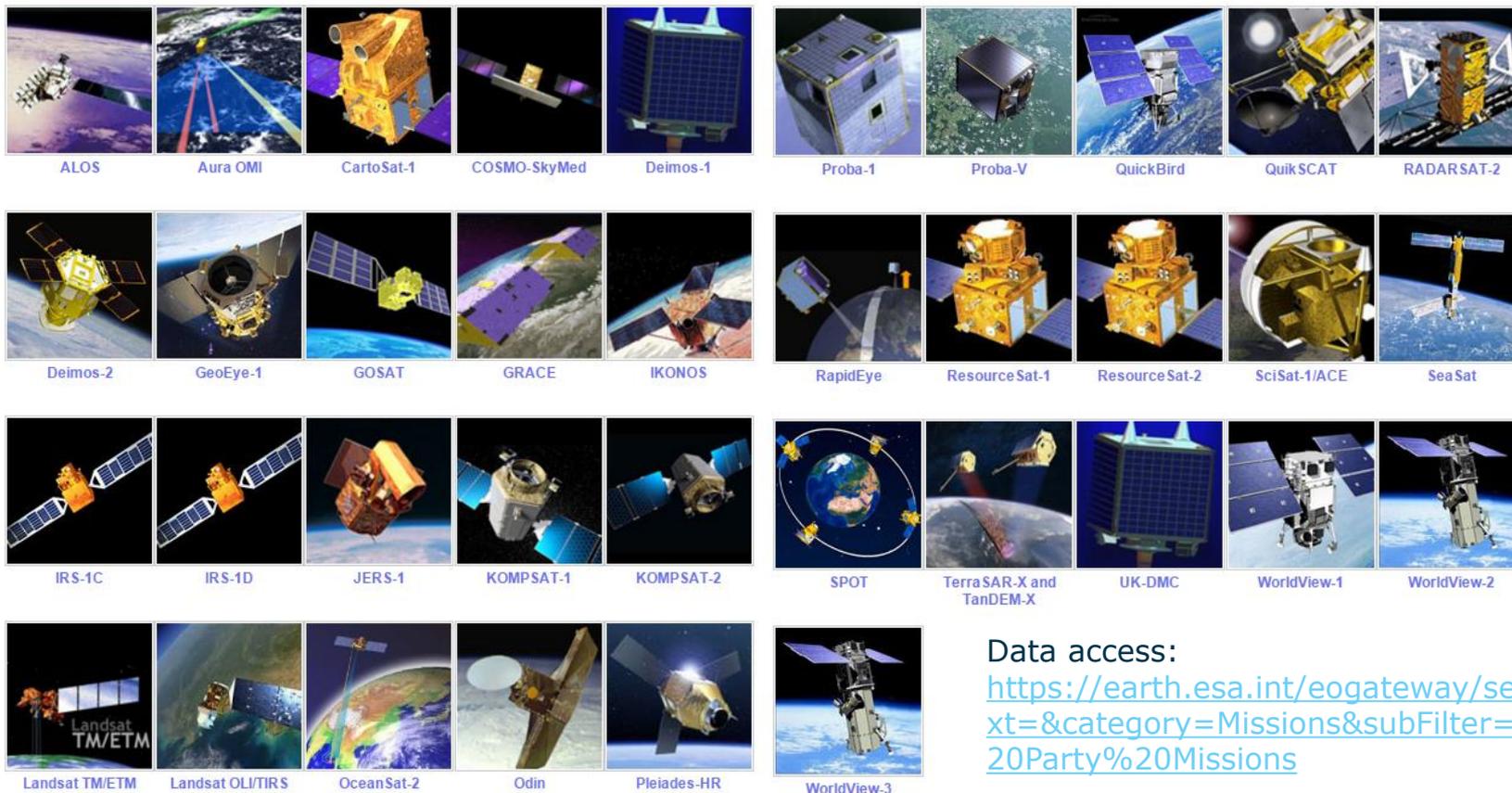


Candidates to be verified through requirements process (+ observations optimisation through architecture studies)

EO Capability

- Earth Microwave (4D) Imaging
- Earth Optical Imaging
- Earth Topography by Altimetry
- Earth Atmosphere by Spectroscopy

ESA Third Party Missions

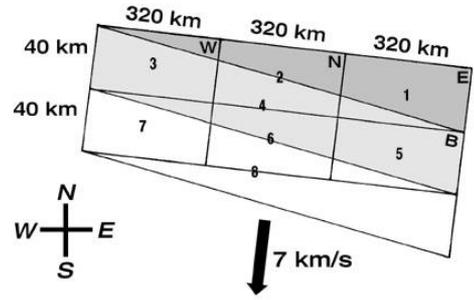
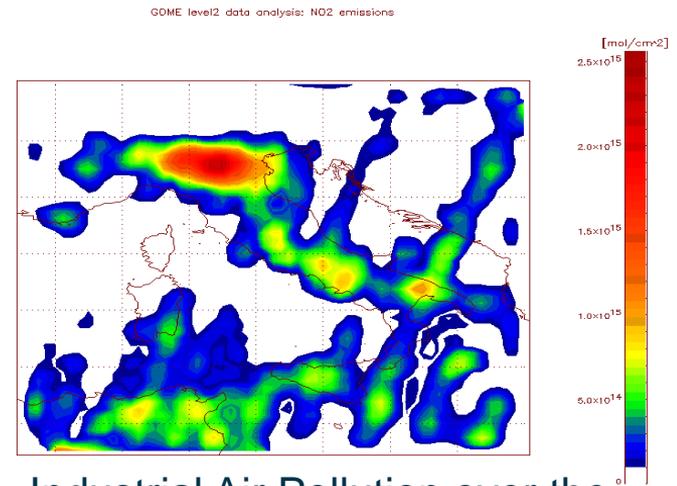
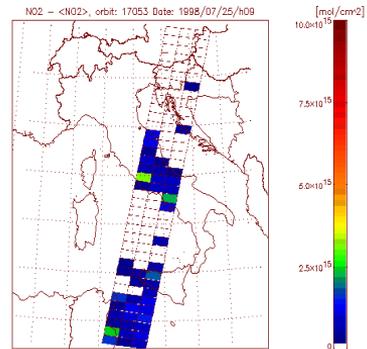
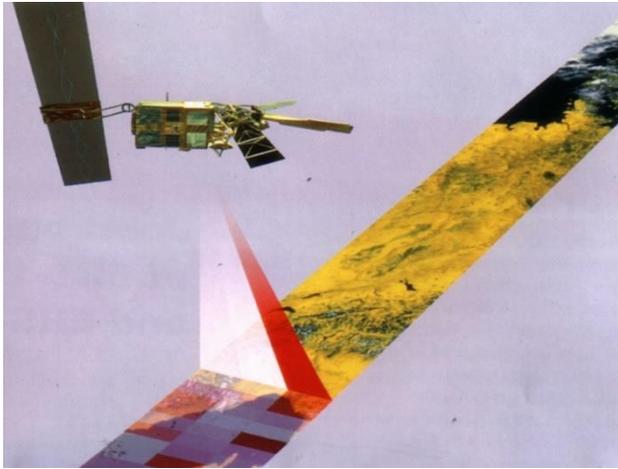


Data access:
<https://earth.esa.int/eogateway/search?text=&category=Missions&subFilter=Third%20Party%20Missions>

A satellite view of Earth at night, showing the curvature of the planet and the glowing lights of cities and continents. The lights are concentrated in the Eastern United States and Western Europe. A thin white border is visible on the left side of the image.

2. Atmosphere Heritage

ERS-2 Global Ozone Monitoring Experiment (GOME)



Nadir viewing spectrometer: GOME on ERS-2 **launched 1995** operational for 16 years; later similar instruments are SCIAMACHY and GOME-2

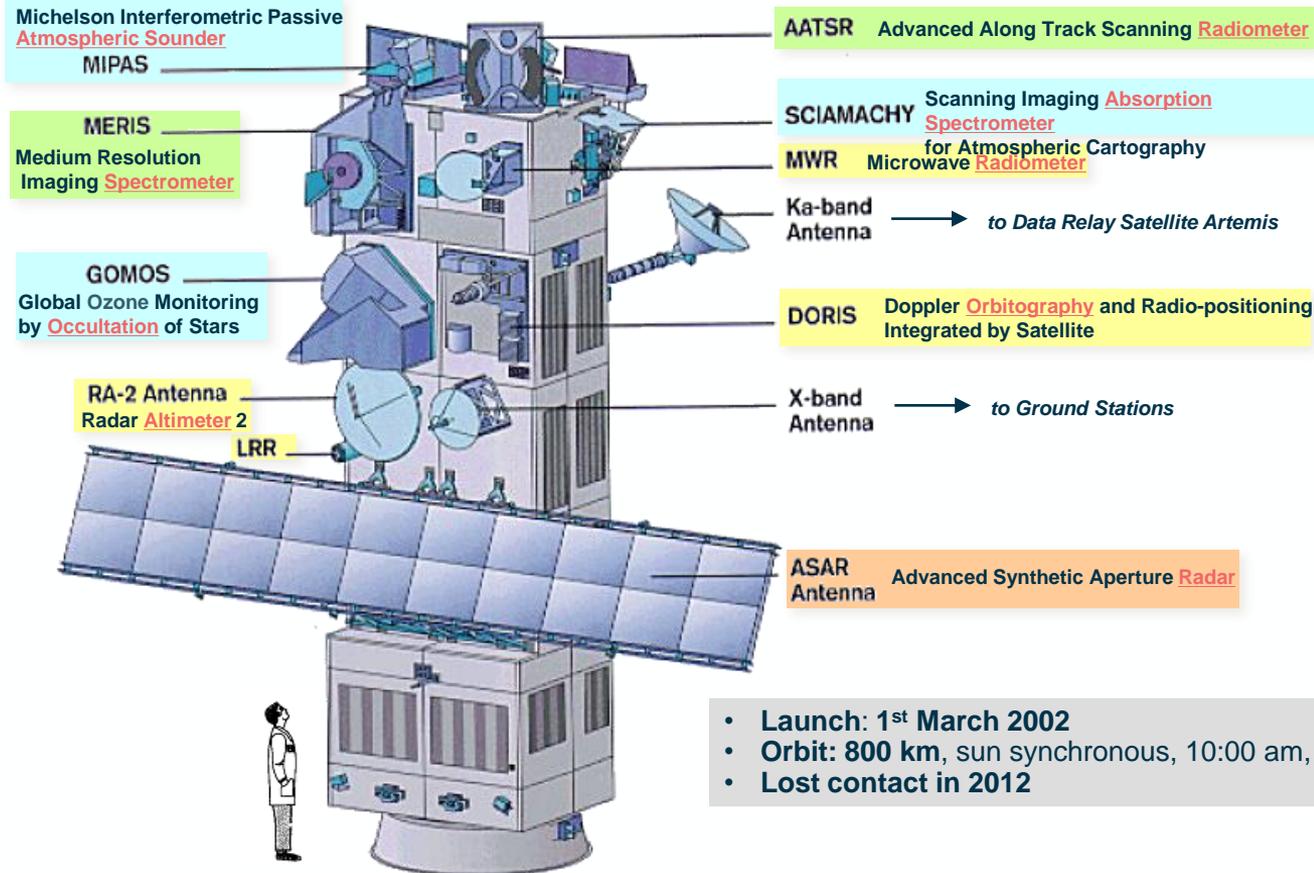
- **Spectral Coverage:** 240 - 790 nm
- **Spatial Resolution:** 40 x 320 km, global coverage 3d

Industrial Air Pollution over the Mediterranean Sea derived from GOME NO₂ measurements – Credits: EMPA

- **Single Acquisition (left):** 25/07/1998 NO₂
- **3 months average (right):** June - August 1998

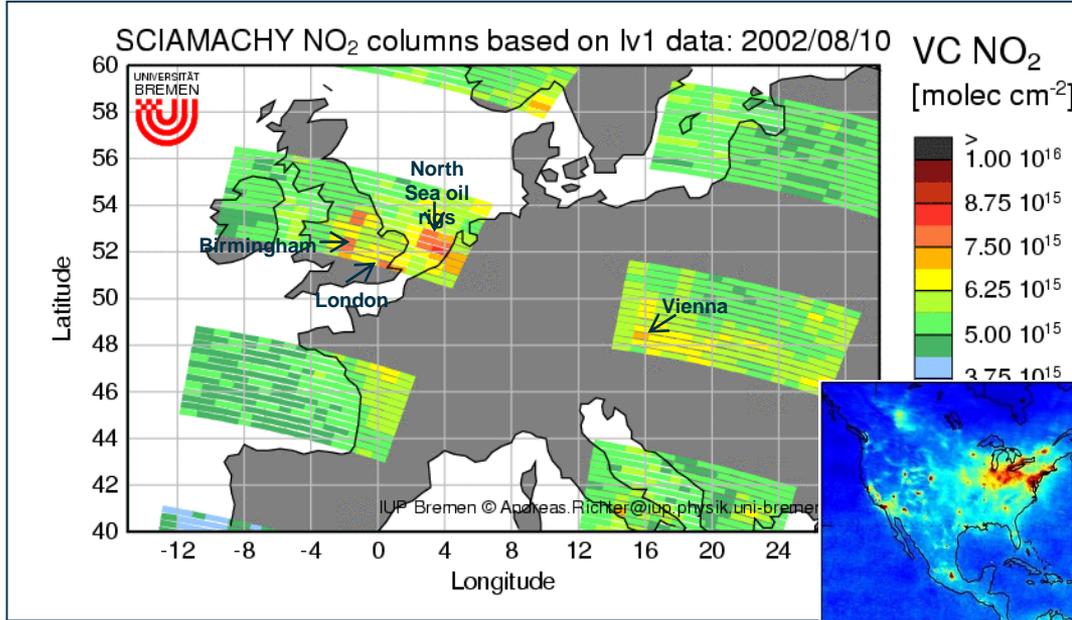


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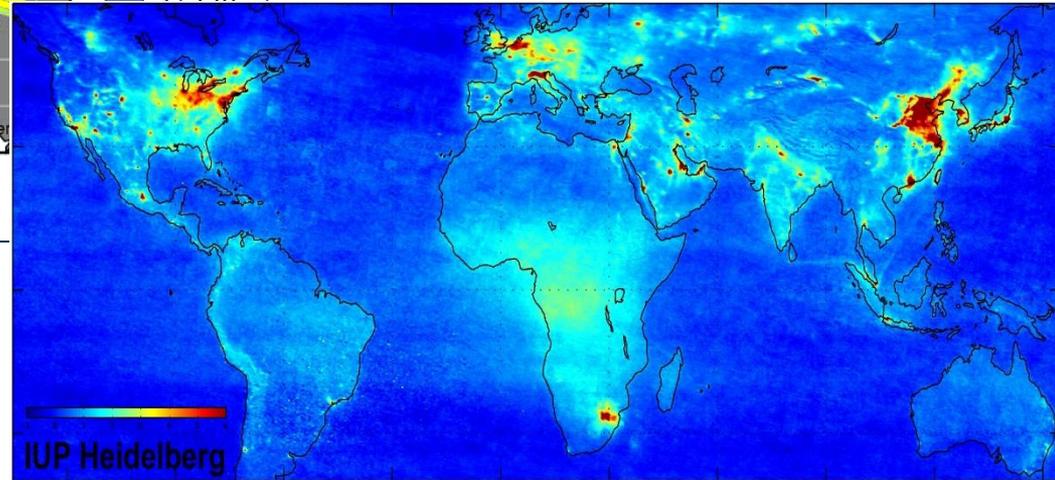
- **Launch: 1st March 2002**
- **Orbit: 800 km**, sun synchronous, 10:00 am, i.e. 30 min. before ERS-2
- **Lost contact in 2012**

SCIAMACHY NO₂ measurements



SCIAMACHY Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂) Measurements averaged over 18 months (mid 2002 – end 2003)

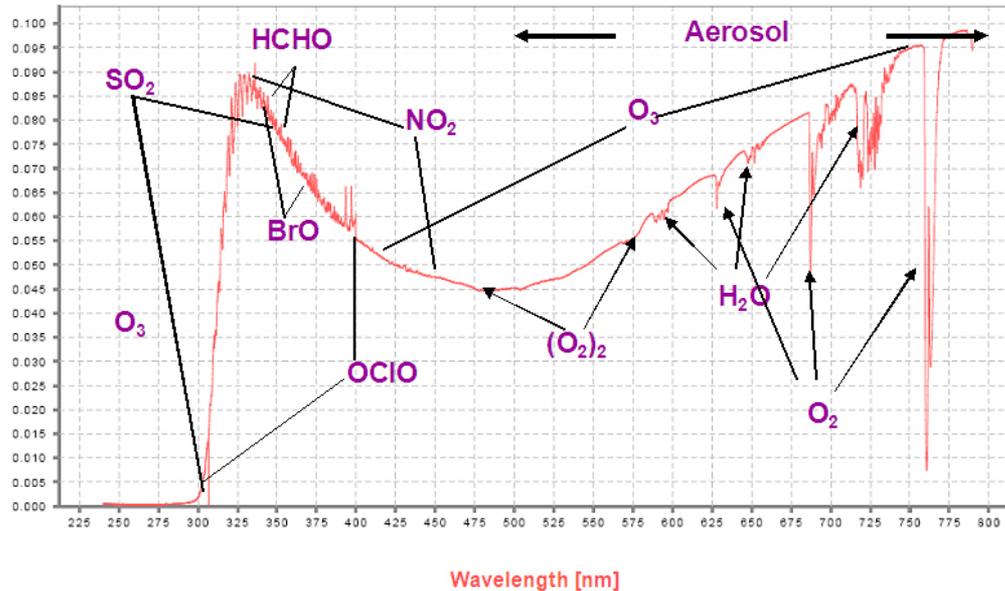
NO₂ -> Air pollution



Other instruments (still in operation)

- GOME-2 -> EUMETSAT

GOME-2 main channel transmittance



OMI -> NASA

Key Facts

OMI is a nadir-viewing wide-field-imaging spectrometer, giving daily global coverage.

OMI measures the key air quality components such as nitrogen dioxide(NO₂), sulfur dioxide (SO₂), bromine oxide(BrO), OClO, and aerosol characteristics.

OMI provides mapping of pollution products from an urban to super-regional scale.

A satellite view of Earth at night, showing the curvature of the planet and the glowing lights of cities and continents. The lights are concentrated in North America and Europe, with a thin layer of atmosphere visible at the top left.

3. Atmosphere Today

Sentinel-5P



- Launched: 13 October 2017
- Single Payload: TROPOMI (co-funded by NL and ESA)
- Hyper-spectral push-broom imaging spectrometer
- Orbit altitude: 820 km
- Daily Global Coverage: 13:30 ascending node crossing time
- Spatial Sampling: in nadir 5.5 x 3.5 km
- Mission Design Life Time: ~7 years



Air Pollution over Europe



Sentinel-5P
Tropospheric Column
Jan. – Feb. 2020

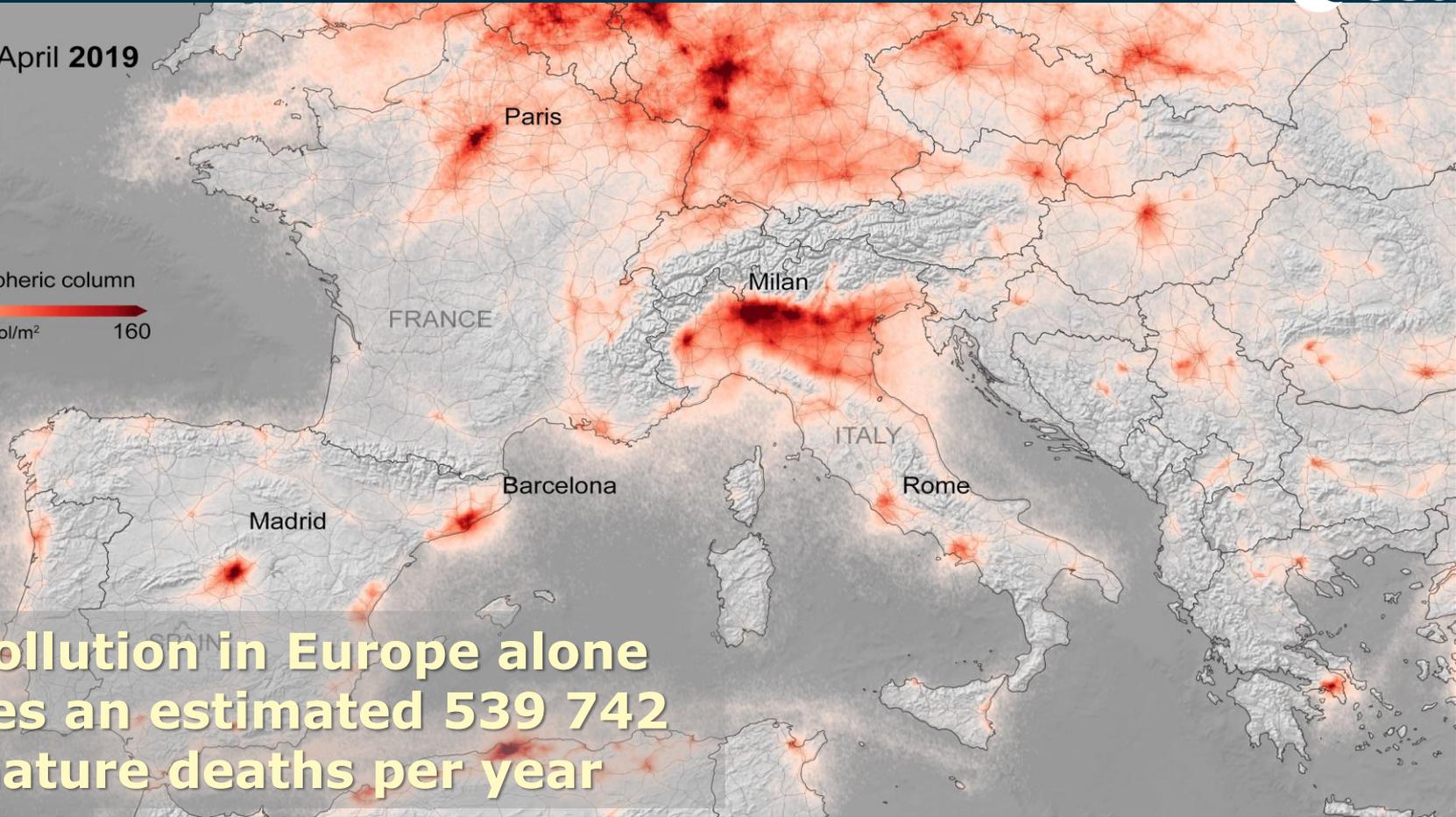


AIR POLLUTION

March - April 2019

NO₂ tropospheric column

20  160
μmol/m²

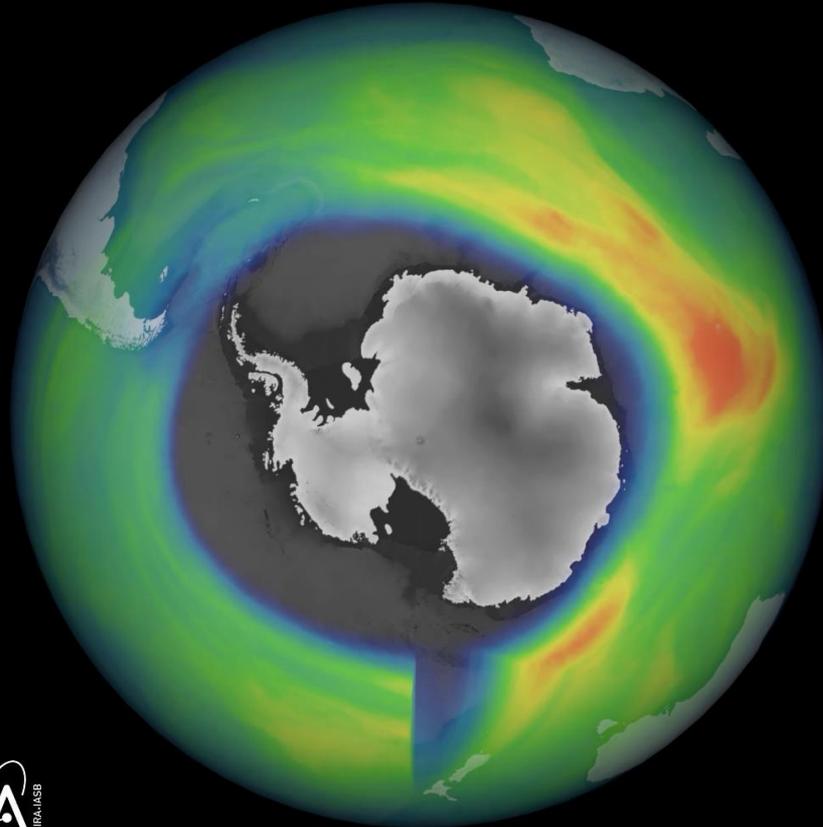


**Air pollution in Europe alone
causes an estimated 539 742
premature deaths per year**

Energy: Large ozone hole over the Antarctic

Sentinel 5P
TROPOMI
DAILY OZONE
25-09-2020

Sentinel-5P



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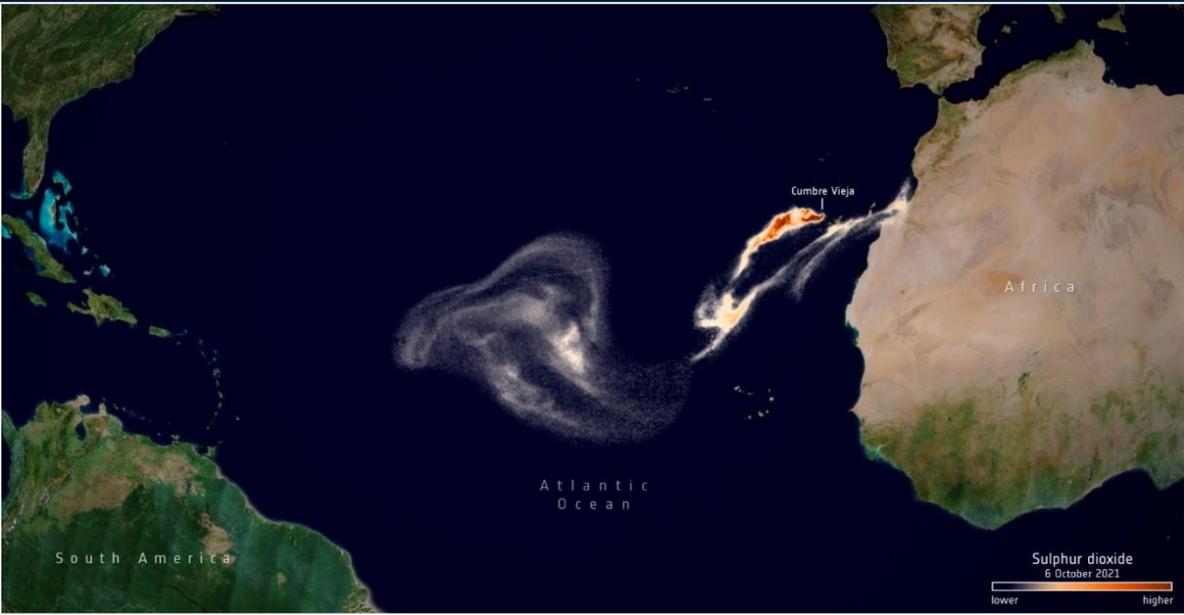
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DLR – Earth Observation Center (EOC)





*Sentinel-5P Volcanic Sulphur Dioxide (SO2) Emission Measurements
6 October 2021*

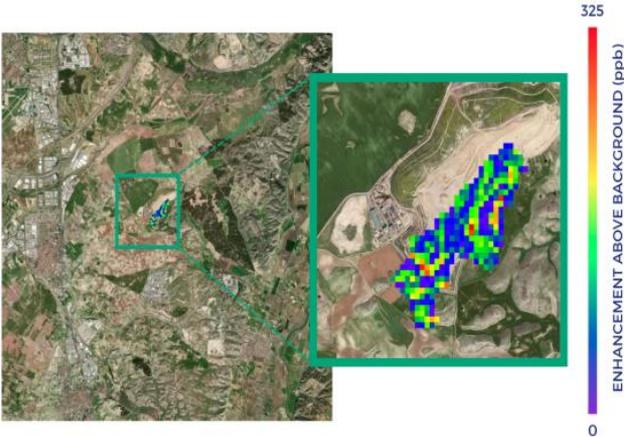
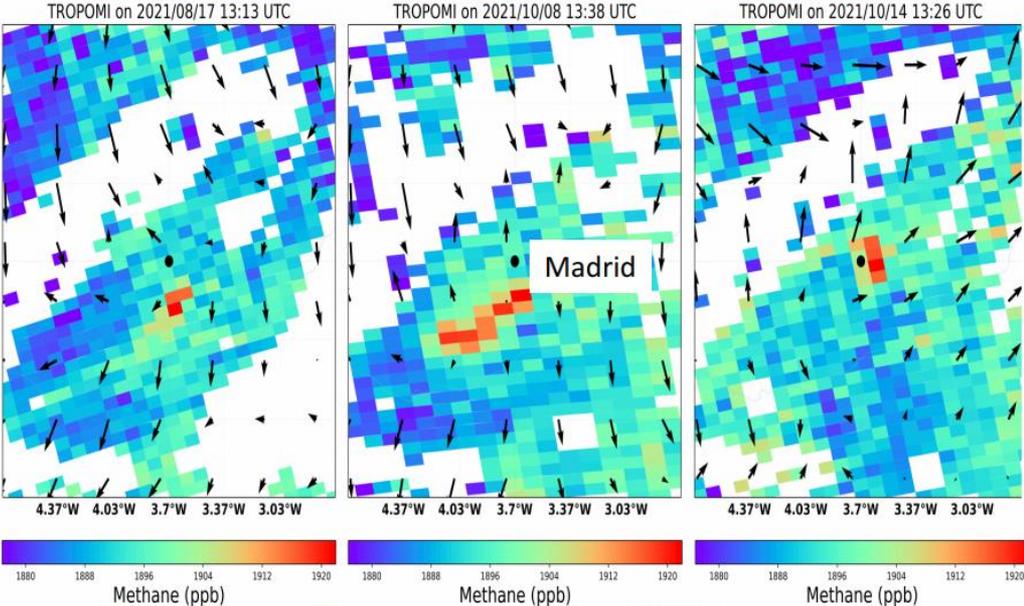
La Palma volcano: How satellites help us monitor eruptions

https://www.esa.int/Applications/Observing_the_Earth/Copernicus/La_Palma_volcano_How_satellites_help_us_monitor_eruptions

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Methane Emissions from land fill close to Madrid

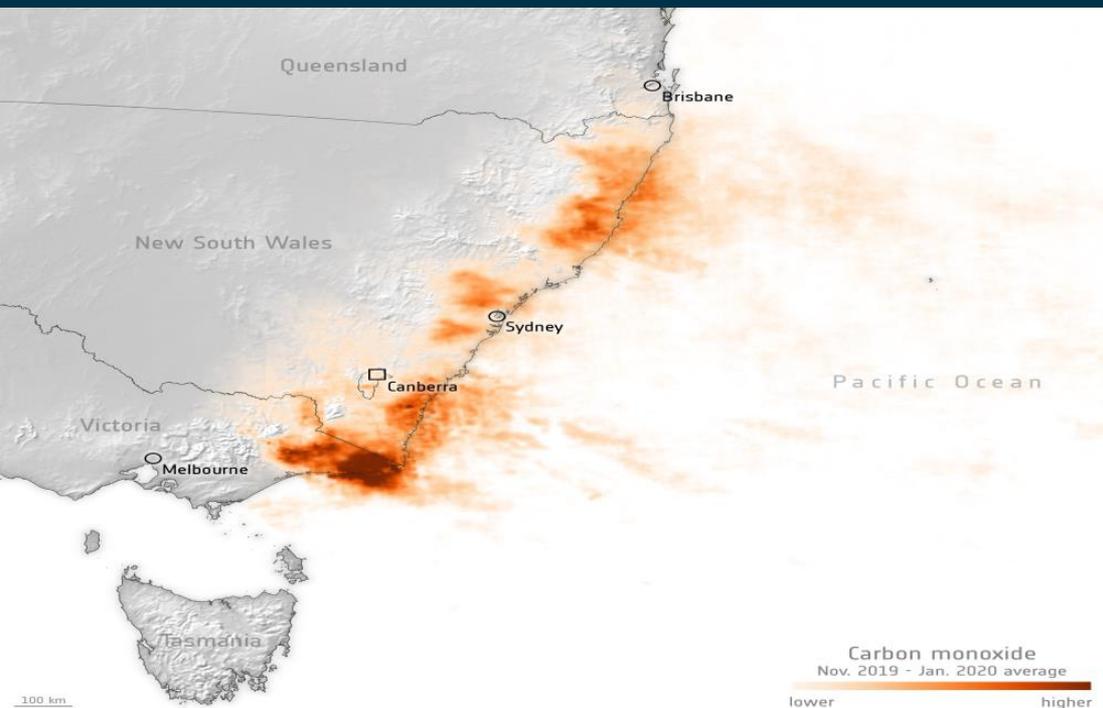
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Sentinel-5p Applications: CO



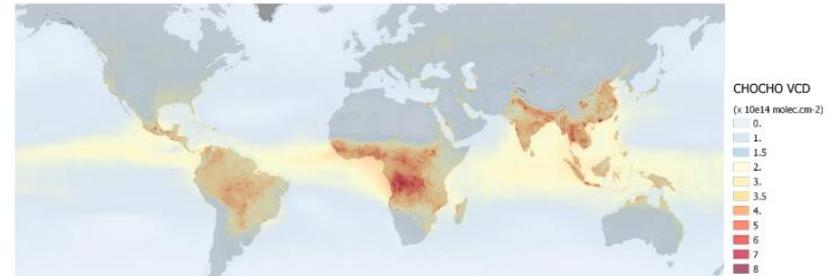
Bush-Fire Emissions in Australia (Nov. 2019 – Jan. 2020) released CO equivalent to 715 million tonnes of CO₂ in just three months

van der Velde, I.R., van der Werf, G.R., Houweling, S. et al. Vast CO₂ release from Australian fires in 2019–2020 constrained by satellite. *Nature* 597, 366–369 (2021).

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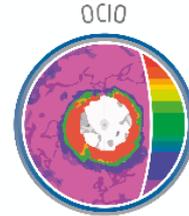
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- Glyoxal is a key trace gas in **tropospheric chemistry** primarily due to its potential role of secondary organic aerosols (SOA) precursor, and to a lesser extent as it affects the abundance of tropospheric ozone (O₃), a potent greenhouse gas.
- Sources are predominantly secondary, originating in the **oxidation** of **anthropogenic**, **pyrogenic** and **biogenic** volatile organic compound precursors (**VOCs**).
- Measurements from space offer the potential to provide information on **non-methane VOC** emissions at the global scale.
- Algorithm also applied to **OMI**, and **GOME-2A/B**. Excellent inter-satellite consistency vs **TROPOMI**
- Validation with **9 MAX-DOAS** data sets in Europe and Asia



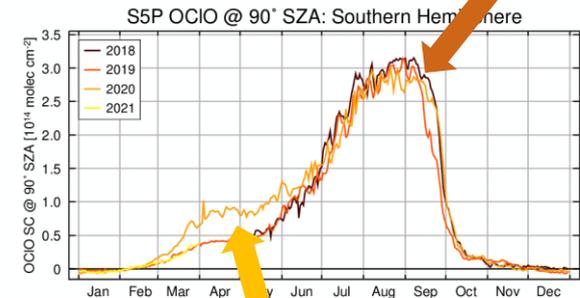
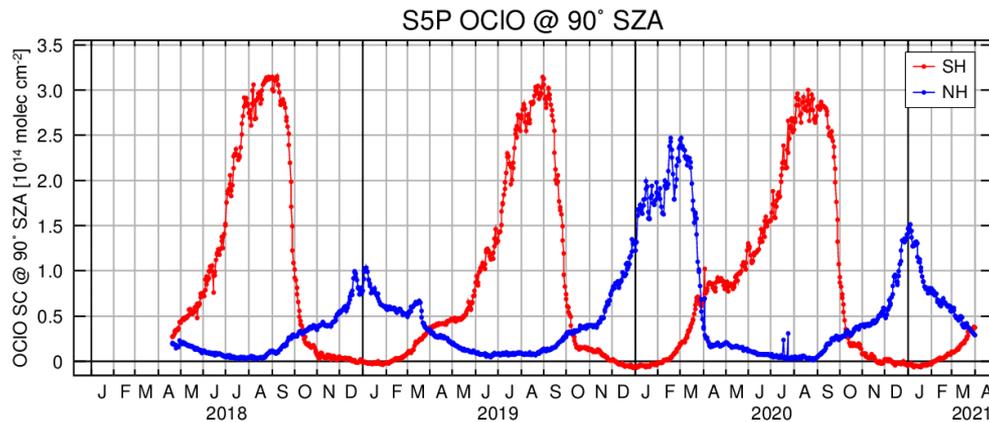
TROPOMI CHOCHO tropospheric vertical columns – 2018-2020

Lerot, C. et al., Glyoxal tropospheric column retrievals from TROPOMI – multi-satellite intercomparison and ground-based validation, *Atmos. Meas. Tech.*, 14, 7775–7807, 2021, <https://doi.org/10.5194/amt-14-7775-2021>

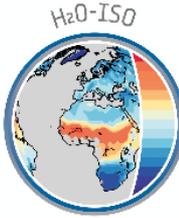


- OCIO relates to the need to monitor **stratospheric chlorine activation** over time in order to document the continuing **effectiveness** of the measures taken in the **Montreal Protocol** and its amendments.
- While OCIO observations do **not** provide a **direct measure** of stratospheric chlorine **concentrations**, they are an **indicator** of stratospheric **chlorine activation**.

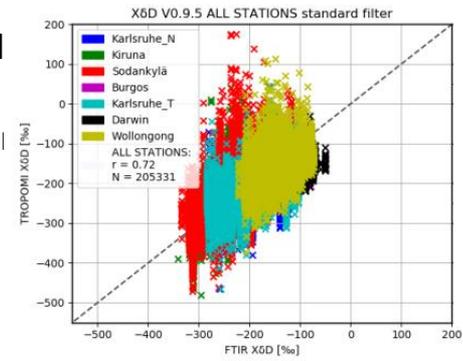
Early deactivation in **2019**



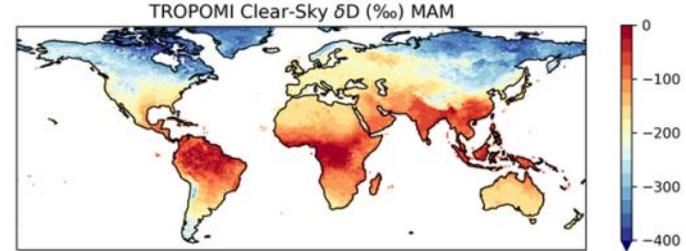
Early activation in **2020**



- The **water cycle** is key element of the Earth's climate system and insufficient understanding of **links** between **clouds**, **circulation** and **climate sensitivity** is one of the **grand challenges** in climate research. Water vapour **isotopologues** offer unique **possibilities** for investigating the **tropospheric water cycle**. With their ability to record the condensation and **rain-out history** of air masses, and to some extent **"tag" moisture** as it **travels** through the atmosphere, ocean, biosphere, and cryosphere, water isotopologue ratios provide insights into key circulation processes.
- Comparisons** to **MUSICA IASI** data shows **no significant bias**;
- Scientific impact** of H2O-ISO assessed against isotope-enabled models, MUSICA IASI and aircraft. H2O-ISO spatial and temporal coverage is highly useful for deciphering the interrelation of weather situations and the isotopic state of atmospheric water vapour, in particular in combination with other (infrared) satellite products.



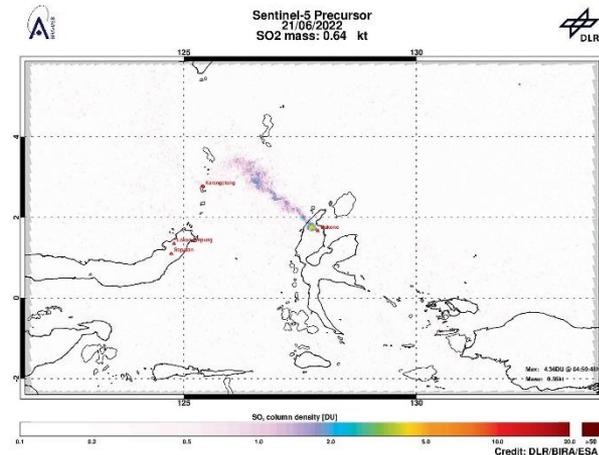
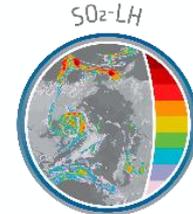
Correlation of FTIR and TROPOMI X&D single pixel measurements (left) and daily means (right) with standard filtering around the FTIR stations.



H2O-ISO prototype product (v1.0.1) between June 2018 and May 2019 shown as 3-m averages after quality-filtering.

Diekmann, C. et al., A Lagrangian Perspective on Stable Water Isotopes During the West African Monsoon
<https://doi.org/10.1029/2021JD034895>



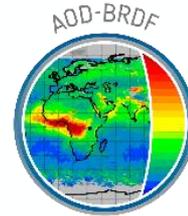


Enhanced SO2 signal of 4.36DU at a distance of 14.0km Dukono (Indonesia)

Accurate determination of the location, height and loading of **SO2 plumes** emitted by volcanic eruptions is essential for **aviation safety**. SO2-LH is furthermore one of the most critical parameters that determine the **impact** on the climate since SO2 in the atmosphere has **important** impacts on **chemistry** and **climate** at both local and global levels.

- SO2-LH retrieval is applied on an **hourly basis** to latest S5p NRT data
- **Latest results** of ongoing volcanic eruptions are automatically published via twitter: <http://twitter.com/dlrso2>
- **Excellent agreement** between IASI and TROPOMI SO₂ LH results
- Good agreement with CALIOP/CALIPSO LIDAR data
- SO₂ LH **assimilation** by **CAMS** yields significantly better SO₂ forecasts

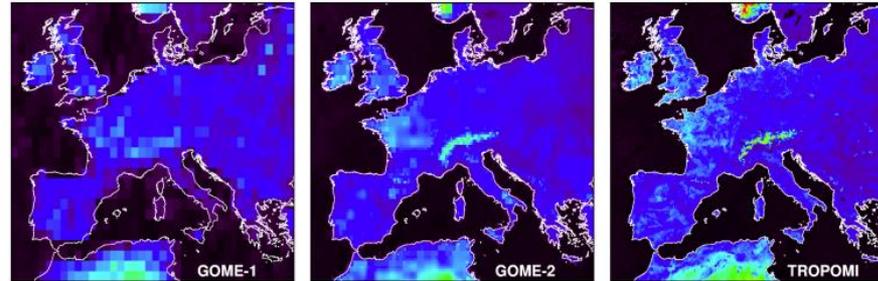
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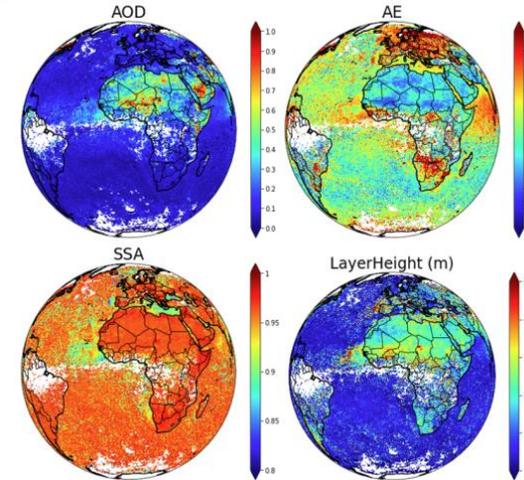
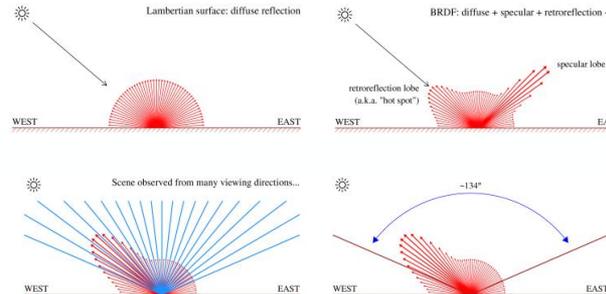
Example of TROPOMI/GRASP products of aerosol characteristics.

Algorithms	Spectral range	Products	Coverage	End Users
Heritage AOD	UV,VIS	Aerosol: 1. AOD 2. SSA	Daily	1. Aerosol community 2. Trace gases community
DLER	UV, VIS, NIR, SWIR	Surface: 1. DLER 2. LER	Monthly climatological	1. Trace gases community 2. Aerosol and Cloud community 3. Earth surface community 4. TROPOMI L2 data processor and processing
GRASP	UV, VIS, NIR, SWIR	Aerosol: 1. AOD 2. AODf and AODc 3. AExp 3. SSA 4. AAO 5. Concentration for four major aerosol type: Biomass Burning, Sulphates, Oceanic and Dust Surface (land and sea/ocean): 1. Full BRDF 2. DHR (Black Sky Albedo) 3. BHR_iso (White Sky Albedo)	1. Instantaneous daily 2. Monthly for each year	1. Aerosol and Cloud community 2. Trace gases community (when accurate aerosol and full BRDF is crucial) 3. Earth surface cover and climate studies 4. Climate studies modelling community

DLER: 0.125 deg² spatial resolution



Surface LER in March over Europe according for GOME-1, GOME-2, and TROPOMI



Heritage products

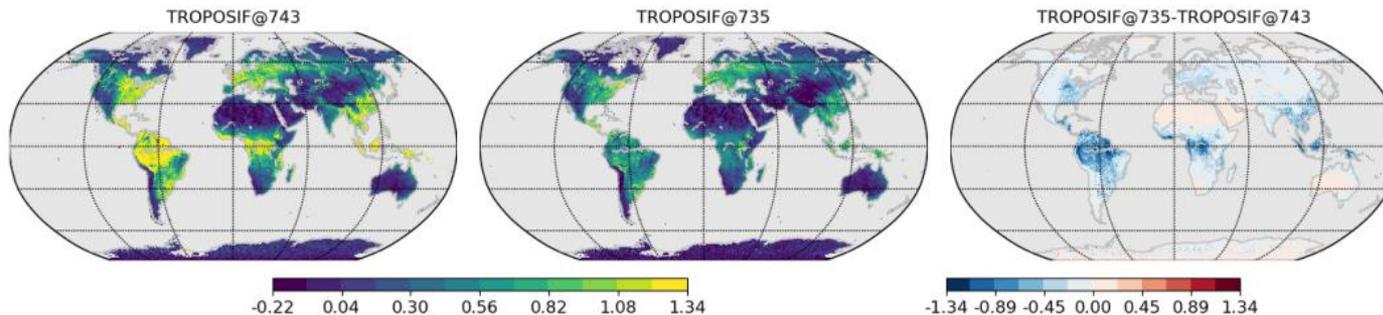
- AOD: OMAERUV and OMAERO
340 – 494 nm, 0.2 nm
- DLER 21 one-nm wide wavelength bins between 328 - 2314 nm

Sentinel-5p+ Innovation: SIF

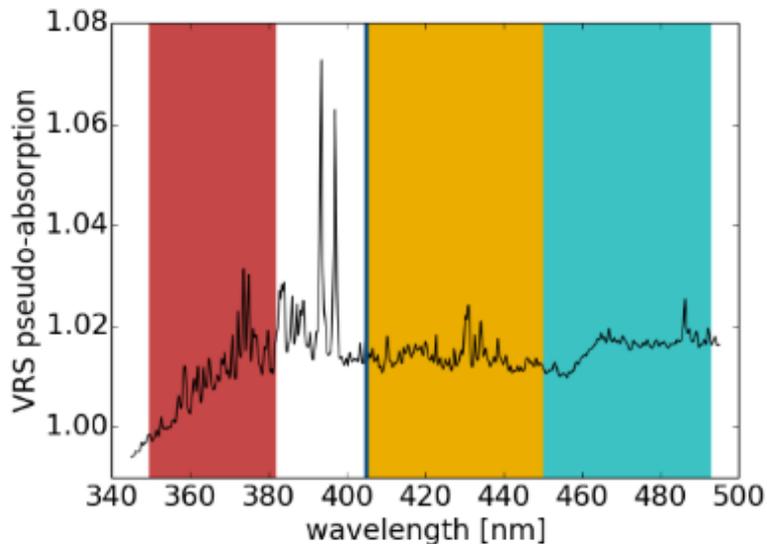
- Solar-induced chlorophyll fluorescence (SIF) is signal emitted by the **chlorophyll-a** of assimilating plants: part of the **energy** absorbed by chlorophyll is **not used** for **photosynthesis**, but emitted at longer wavelengths as a two-peak spectrum roughly covering the **650–850 nm spectral range**.
- SIF **responds** to perturbations in **environmental conditions** such as **light** and **water stress**, which makes it a direct proxy for photosynthetic activity.
- TROPOMI SIF data at 740 nm and estimated from two fitting windows:
 - 743–758 nm (baseline product, aka Caltech). Very robust results against atmospheric effects (especially cloud contamination).
 - 735–758 nm (experimental product



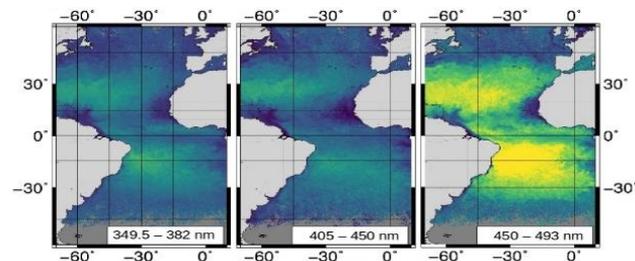
At global scale **very close** agreement of three SIF products. Higher **agreement** between the 2 TROPOMI products (**TROPOSIF** and **Caltech**) than with **OCO-2**, which is partly attributable to similar samplings for the two TROPOMI products and higher number of observations within the binned pixels that reduces the retrieval error. In addition, OCO-2 SIF estimates were found to be in slightly closer agreement with TROPOSIF than with Caltech.



- **Highly innovative: First time that KD retrievals for the UV range from satellite data and inversion are developed**
- Algorithm for KD within UV-AB, UV-A and blue light developed for TROPOMI using DOAS method via retrieving vibrational Raman scattering (VRS) and LUT based on coupled ocean-atmospheric RTM
- Uncertainty was assessed via fit error and model error based on retrieval sensitivity
- PP evaluated across the biogeochemical provinces of the Atlantic Ocean with in-situ data and similar (these only provide KD at 490nm!) operational products from OC-CCI and OLCI

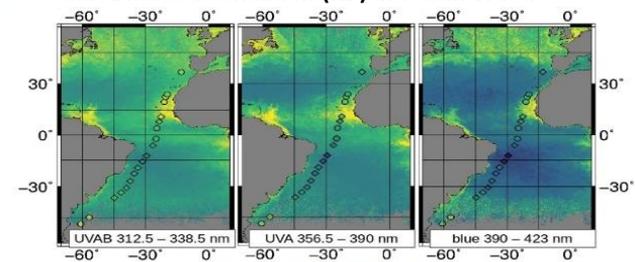


S5P Inelastic Scattering (VRS) in Ocean Water



↓ LUT (RTM)

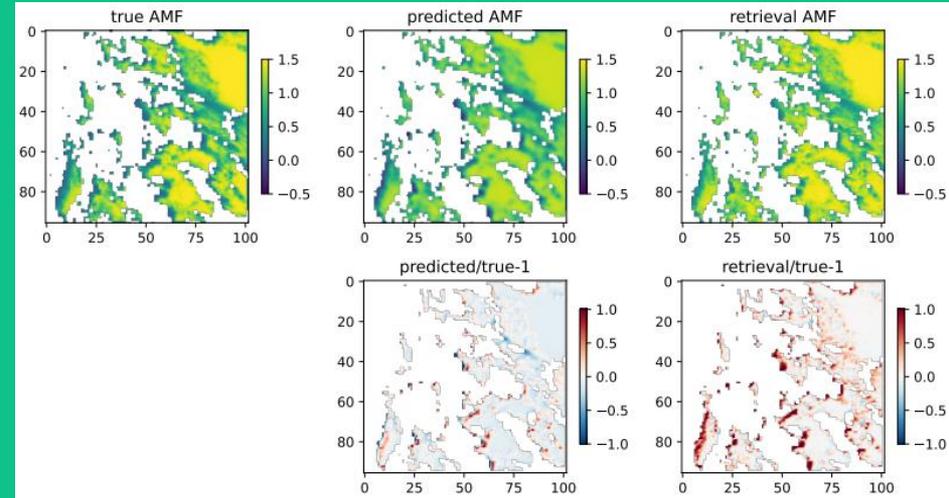
S5P Diffuse attenuation (KD) in Ocean Water



Atmosphere Science Cluster: MIT3D -> 3DCTRL

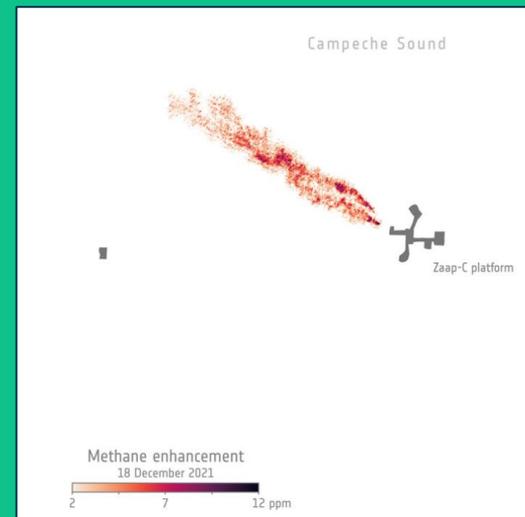
3D Cloud Impact Mitigation

- Explore existing synthetic TROPOMI-S5P data from a previous ESA study using artificial intelligence;
- 3D radiative transfer model MYSTIC;
- As input, realistic simulated clouds over Europe and surrounding countries;
- The data-set includes reflectance spectra in the visible range; from 400–500 nm and in the O2A band region around 768 nm;
- The synthetic data has been analyzed with a state-of-the-art NO2 retrieval algorithm;
- The input NO2 vertical column density (VCD) is known, therefore the retrieval error due to cloud scattering could easily be determined;
- CNN trained to predict air mass factors (AMF) from reflectance data;
- Example that in the clear regions the CNN seems to underestimate the AMFs. In cloudy regions the relative differences are slightly smaller for the CNN predictions than for the AMFs from the retrieval algorithm;
- Results can't be generalized so far.



Methane emissions: offshore platform in the Gulf of Mexico

- Universitat Politècnica de València (UPV), used data from Maxar's **WorldView-3** satellite, obtained through ESA's Third Party Missions Programme, and US **Landsat 8** mission to detect and quantify strong methane plumes from an offshore oil and gas production platform near the coast of Campeche – in one of Mexico's major oil producing fields. 17-day ultra-emission event which amounted to approximately **40 000 tonnes** of methane released into the atmosphere in **December 2021**.
- These emissions are equivalent to around 3% of Mexico's annual oil and gas emissions and this single event would have a similar magnitude to the entire regional annual emissions from Mexico's offshore region.

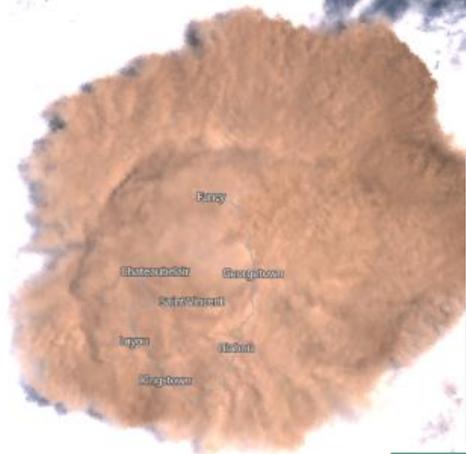


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- https://www.esa.int/Applications/Observing_the_Earth/Methane_emissions_detected_over_offshore_platform_in_the_Gulf_of_Mexico
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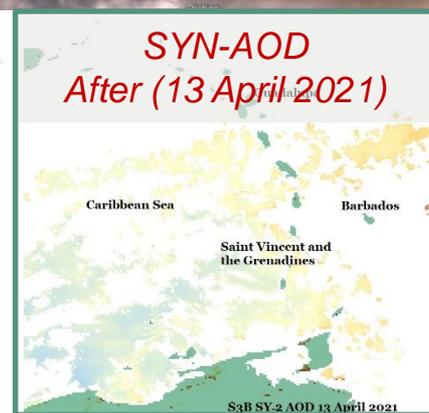
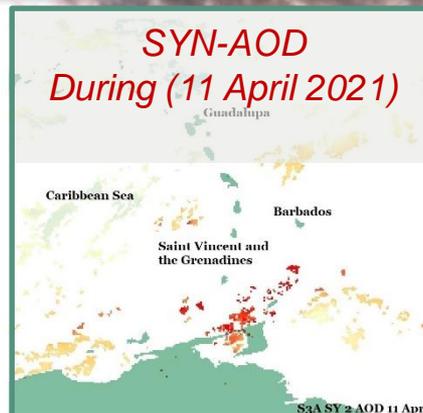
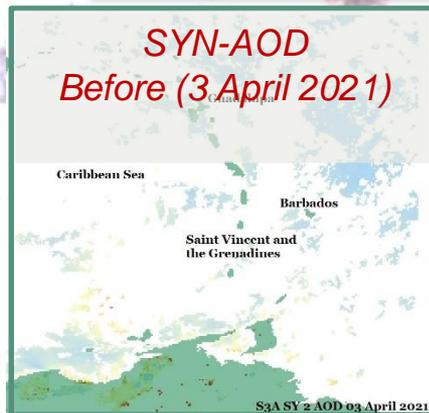
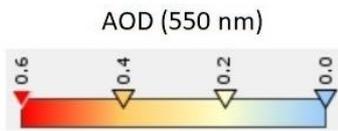
Aerosols from "La Soufrière" volcano in Saint-Vincent

The new **Sentinel-3 SYN-AOD products** are available since 8 April 2021 through the ESA Open Access Hub (for data starting on 19 February 2020)

Data below show the sharp increase of aerosols immediately after the eruption of La Soufrière volcano, and how it diffuses some day later.



Sentinel-3 OLCI image
(11 April 2021)



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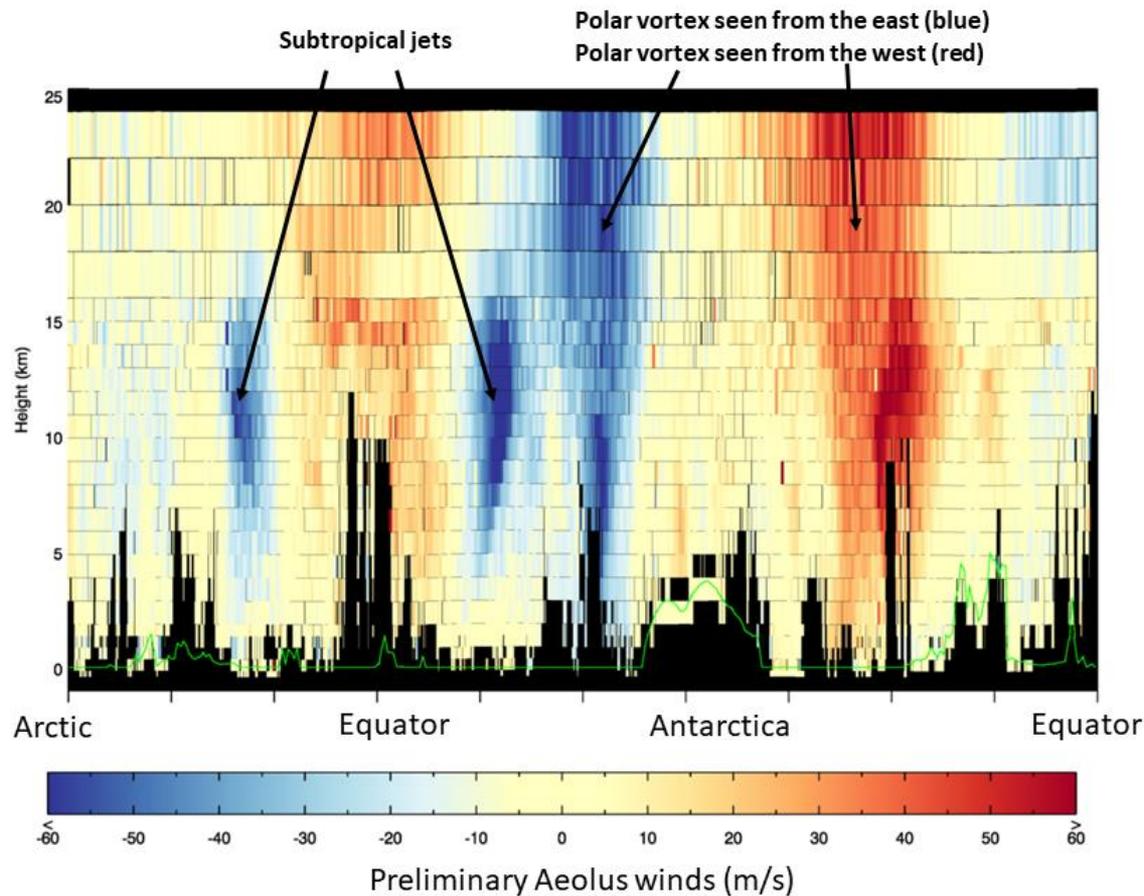
Earth Explorer Aeolus

Mission	Wind profiling
Payload	ALADIN UV lidar
Orbit	SSO, alt: 320 km LTAN: 18h00
Consortium	Prime: ADS-UK Aladin: ADS-FR
Launch date	22 Aug. 2018
Lifetime	3 years



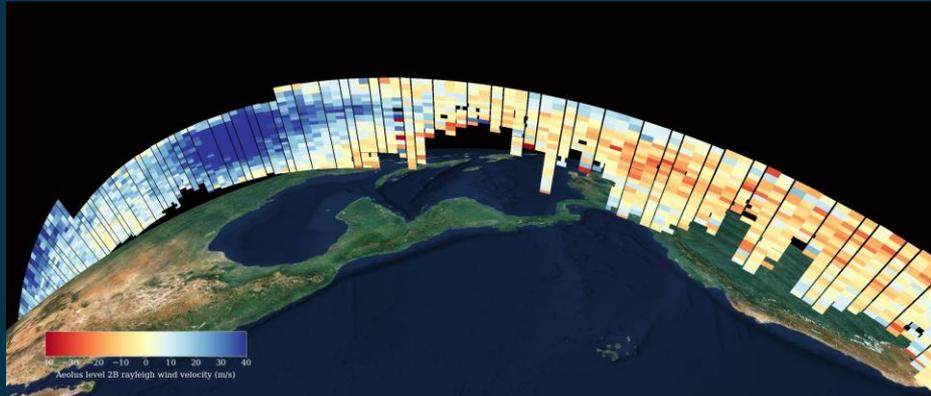
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Aeolus addresses our 'Blind Spot' - Wind

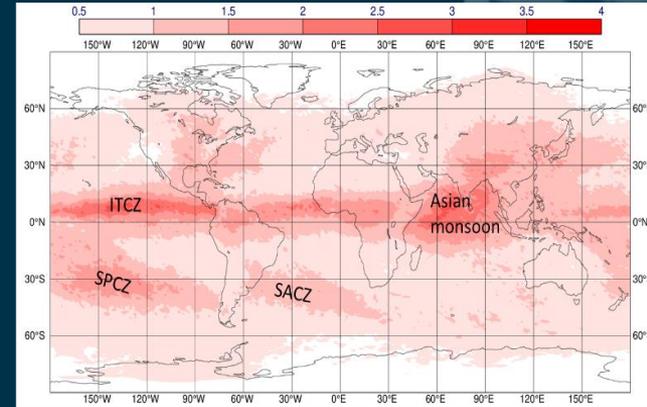
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Aeolus gauges hurricane Lota wind velocities 17 November 2020



- Improving NWP Models' forecast accuracy with data now operationally used by ECMWF
- Deepening Understanding of Climate Science
- Spurring insight into the atmospheric energy, water, aerosol and chemistry cycles

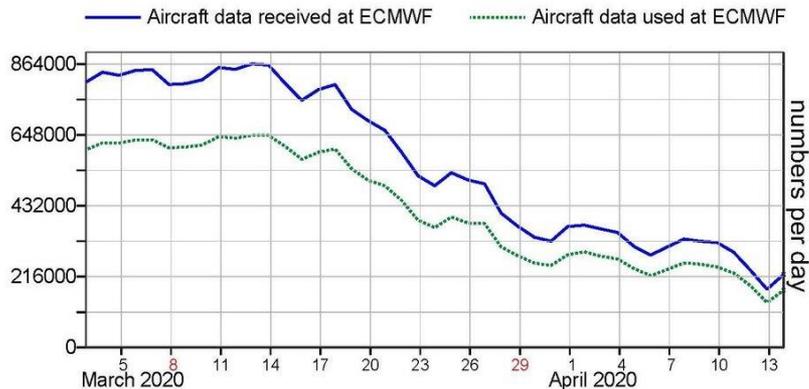


Positive impact (red) when assimilating Aeolus winds from 4 April to 19 August 2020 (M. Rennie – ECMWF)

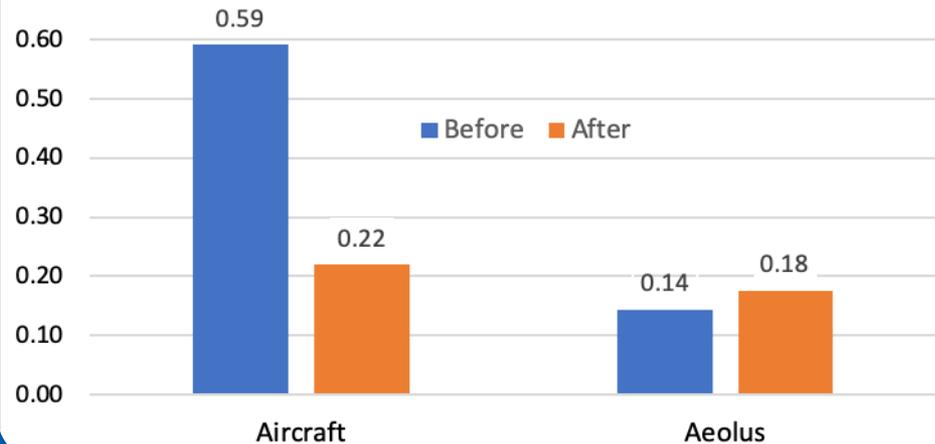
Aeolus partially fills weather data observation gap

- With many planes grounded the amount of aircraft data available for NWP at ECMWF has dropped
- Operational use of Aeolus mission data in NWP has helped filling this observation gap; Forecast Sensitivity to Observation Impact (FSIO)

Global aircraft data counts March-April 2020



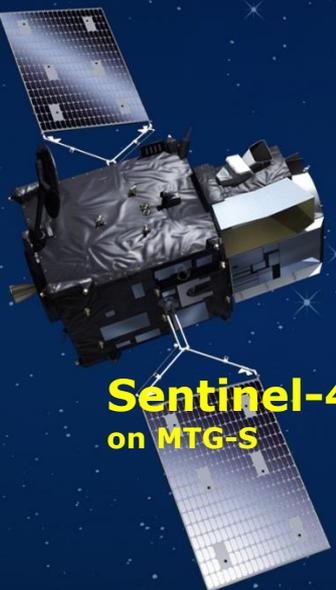
FSOI impact (MJ/kg) of aircraft and Aeolus data Before and after Covid-19 aircraft reduction



A satellite view of Earth at night, showing the curvature of the planet and the glowing lights of cities and continents. The lights are concentrated in North America, Europe, and parts of Asia, with the dark oceans and unlit landmasses providing a stark contrast. A white rounded rectangular box is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text.

4. Future Atmosphere

Copernicus Missions for Atmospheric Composition



Sentinel-4
on MTG-S

Sentinel-5 Precursor
TROPOMI



Sentinel-5
on MetOp-SG A



Focus

Short lived species in troposphere

Driving Application

Air quality

Orbit

Geostationary

Coverage

Hourly over Europe + parts of Atlantic and North Africa

Short and long lived species
in troposphere and stratosphere

Air quality, climate, ozone, ...

Low Earth orbit

Daily global

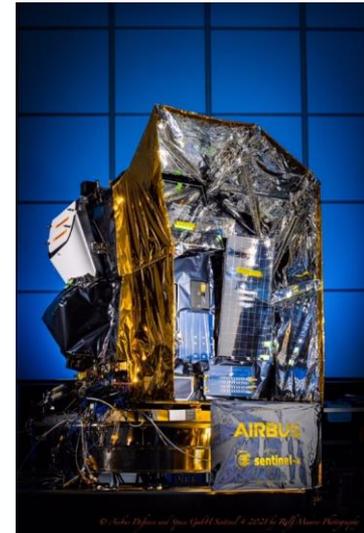
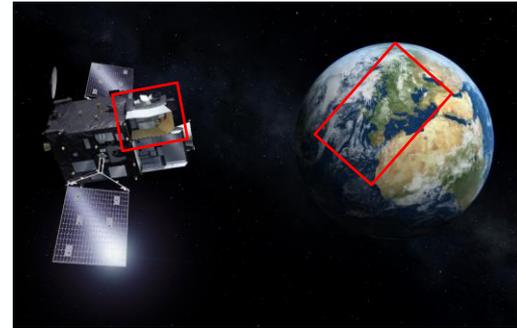
Sentinel-4 Mission



- Objective: measure from a Geo orbit the atmospheric composition (*) over Europe for the Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service, with **hourly revisit time** and with **8 km spatial resolution**.

(*) O₃ (Ozone), NO₂ (Nitrogen dioxide), SO₂ (Sulphur dioxide), HCHO (Formaldehyde), CHOCHO (Glyoxal) and the aerosol optical depth

- Procurement Agency: ESA; Prime Contractor: Airbus (DE); GS Operator: EUMETSAT
- Embarked on Meteosat Third Generation sounder satellites (MTG-S).
- Launched on an Ariane 6
- 2 spectrometer instruments (PFM, FM2), covering the UV, Visible and Near IR wavelength bands (305-500 nm; 750 – 775 nm).
- PFM instrument: fully integrated; final calibration: May 2022
- FM2: under integration
- 7.5 years nominal lifetime.
- Launch of the first MTG-S: 2024.





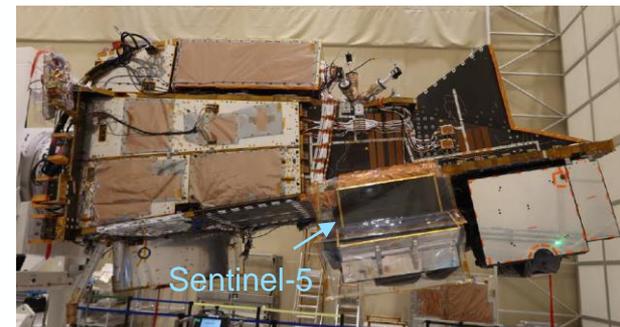
- Level-2 products cover atmospheric constituents that drive air quality
 - Trace gases: O₃ (tropospheric and total column), NO₂, HCHO, CHOCHO, SO₂
 - Aerosol optical depth, aerosol layer height, UV absorbing index
 - Auxiliary products for handling clouds and surface reflectance, facilitating synergy with FCI, ..
- Operational Processor (L2OP) developed by a consortium led by DLR under responsibility of ESA
 - Verified on synthetic data, testing on data from geostationary GEMS ongoing
 - Uncertainty budget established per product
 - V1 near completion (2 parts delivered, last one expected 3Q2022), V2 after PFM on-ground calibration, V3 after PFM in-orbit verification
- Will be integrated into MTG L2 Processing Facility (L2PF) by EUMETSAT



Sentinel-5 Mission



- Objective: monitoring atmospheric composition from low Earth orbit.
- Provides **daily global** observations of ozone and other trace gases with **7.3 km spatial resolution**.
- It will be embarked on EUMETSAT's MetOp Second Generation (MetOp-SG) satellites type A, part of the space segment of the EUMETSAT Polar System Second Generation (EPS-SG).
- Sentinel-5 development is co-funded by ESA and the European Commission in the frame of the Space Component of the Copernicus Programme.
- G/S operator: EUMETSAT
- 3 instruments under production: PFM, FM2 and FM3 to be flown on three MetOp-SG type A satellites, each with a 7.5 years nominal lifetime.
- Sentinel-5 instruments will be operated and data products will be disseminated by EUMETSAT.
- Launch of the first MetOp-SG-A type satellite is foreseen in 2024.



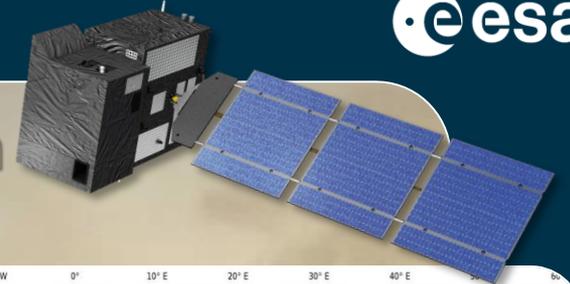
Copernicus Sentinel-5 Level-2



- Level-2 products cover atmospheric constituents that drive air quality, climate, and ozone/UV
 - Trace gases: O₃ (total column and profile), NO₂, HCHO, CHOCHO, SO₂, CO, CH₄
 - Aerosol optical depth, aerosol layer height, UV absorbing index, erythemal UV index, cloud properties
 - Auxiliary products for handling clouds and surface reflectance, facilitating synergy with MetImage, ...
- Prototype Processor (L2PP) developed by consortium led by S&T under responsibility of ESA
 - Algorithms verified and tested on synthetic and real data from S5P/TROPOMI
 - Uncertainty budget established per product
 - V1 delivered, V2 after PFM on-ground calibration, V3 after PFM in-orbit verification
- Operational Processor (L2OP) development and integration by EUMETSAT



Anthropogenic CO₂ Monitoring Mission

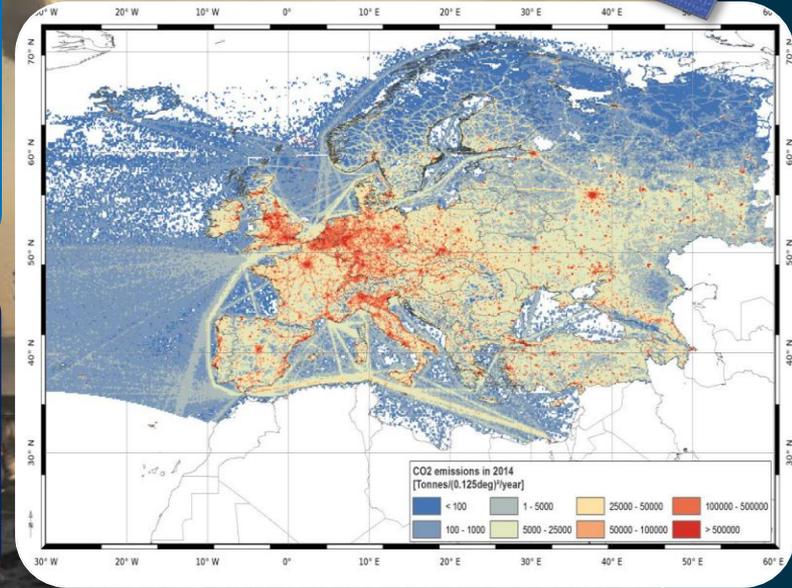


Europe's first operational CO₂ mission

- Analyse man-made CO₂ emissions and overall CO₂ budget
- At country and regional/megacity scales
- Support Paris Agreement implementation and global stocktake from 2023 to assess the effectiveness of CO₂ reduction strategies

Four instruments for improved detection accuracy of anthropogenic CO₂

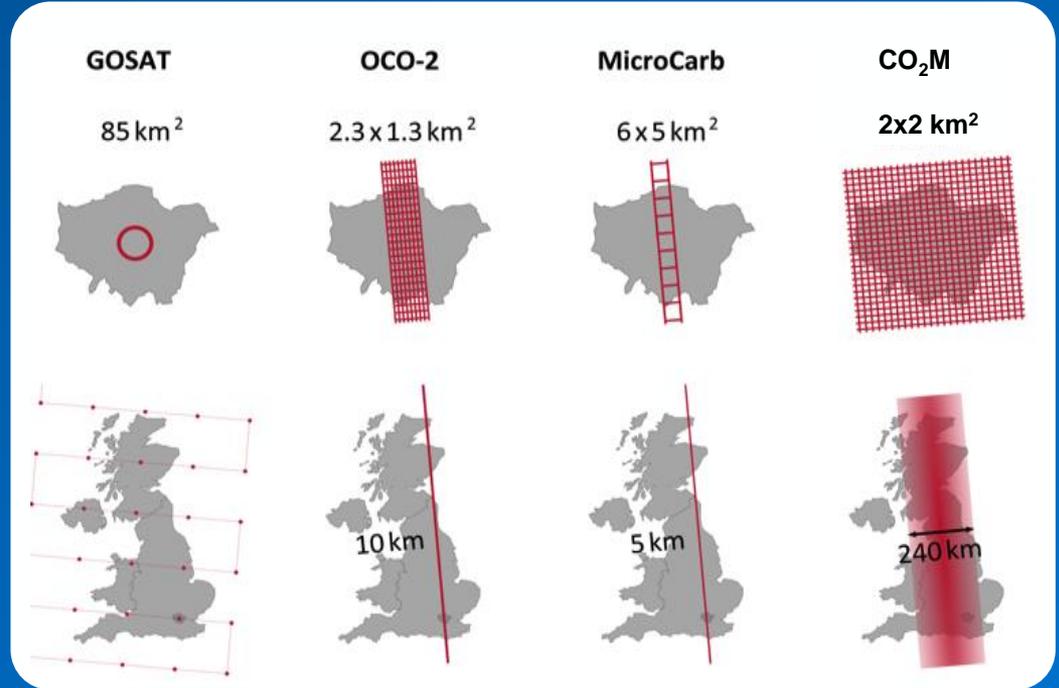
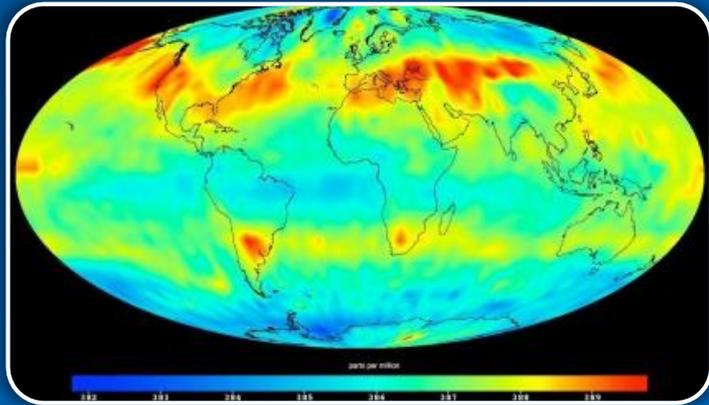
- A combined CO₂/NO₂ instrument based on a VIS, NIR and SWIR spectrometer
- A Multi-Angle polarimeter (MAP) based on 4 identical cameras
- A Cloud Imager (CLIM) derived from the ProbaV instrument
- >250Km swath with global coverage in 4 days

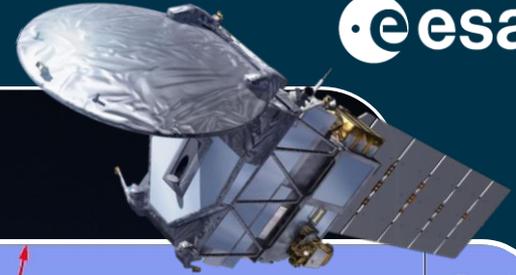


European total CO₂ emissions - Kuenen et al., 2014 and 2015

Designed to measure anthropogenic CO₂ emissions

- 4 km² spatial sampling
- Global coverage - revisit time 2-3 days @40°N
- XCO₂ precision 0.5 – 0.7 ppm
- Systematic bias < 0.5 ppm





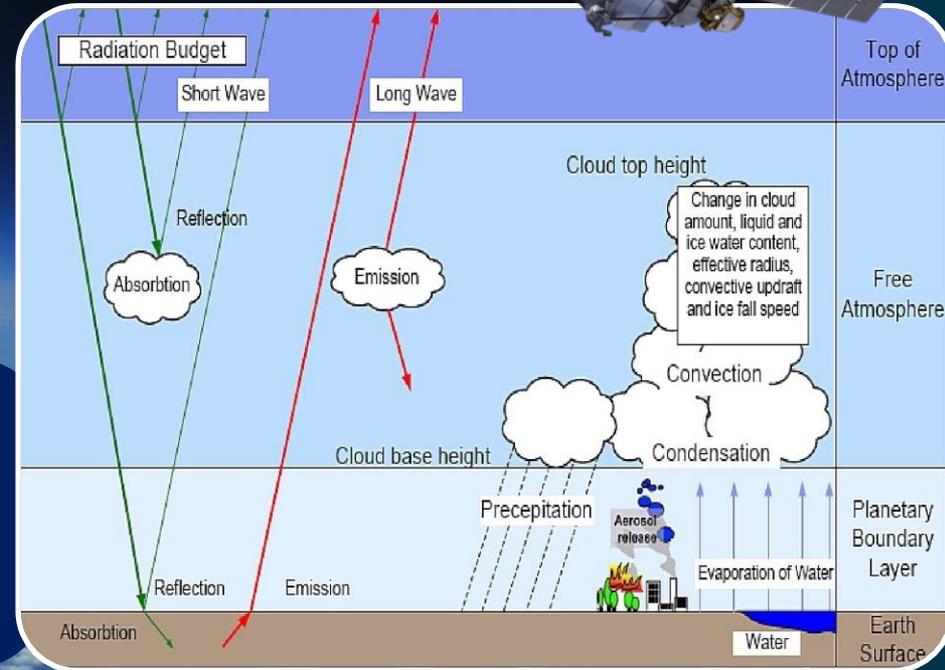
Study of natural & anthropogenic Climate Change

Joint ESA/JAXA(NICT) mission

- Building on ESA's ERM (Earth Radiation Mission) and JAXA's ATMOS-B1 satellite projects
- Unique global measurements of vertical profiles of clouds, aerosols, temperature and humidity profiles simultaneously with the Top-of-Atmosphere radiance

Synergistic active/passive instrument suite for vertical cloud profile retrievals

- UV Lidar for cloud and aerosol optical depth
- Cloud Profiling Radar for micro- and macroscopic properties of clouds
- Broadband Radiometer for top of atmosphere radiance



Studying the earth's radiation budget

Optical mission to improve climate models and climate prediction

- New insight into Earth's radiation budget and how it is controlled
- Detailed picture for more accurate tracking of key atmospheric components

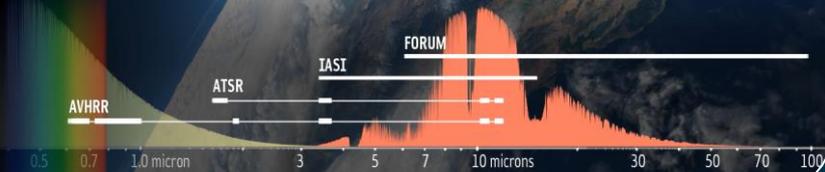
Measuring far infrared emission spectrum with a hyperspectral sensor

- Step and Stare technique integrates 15km-wide spot for 7 to 8 seconds every 100km
- 6.25 to 100 microns with 0.5 microns sampling resolution (complemented by MetOp-SG IASI)



Today's satellite instruments only cover up to the mid-infrared part of the spectrum (4-15 microns).

Forum will extend our view into the far-infrared (up to 100 microns).



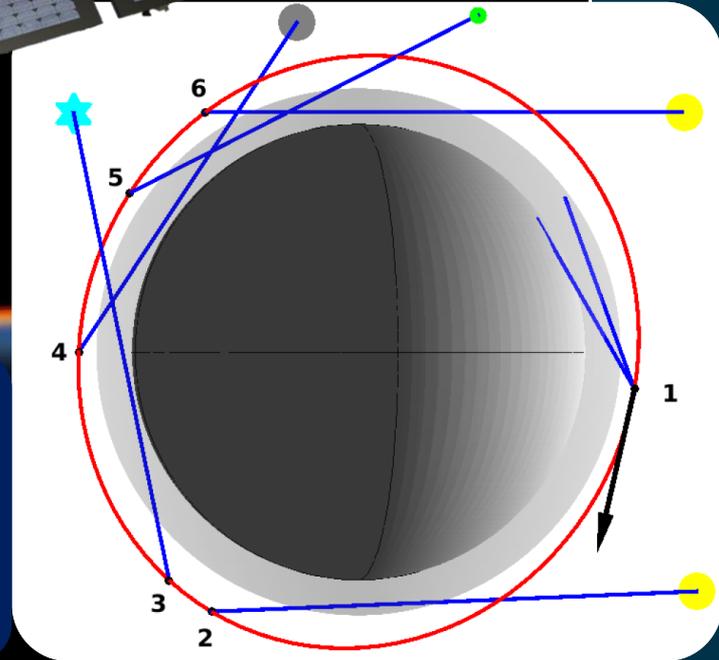
Monitoring Earth's Ozone layer recovery

Limb-sounding mission

- Observing O₃, NO₂, CH₄, H₂O and aerosols in UTLS
- Global high resolution vertical profiles from 0 to 100 Km
- Complement nadir-looking missions, e.g. S-4, S-5, S-5P
- Study altitude and the horizontal extent of Polar Stratospheric and Polar Mesospheric Clouds

3 independent high-resolution imagers

- Ultraviolet, visible and near-infrared channels
- 6 observation geometries in baseline operations:
(1) backward limb (2) sunset occultation (3) star occultation (4) Moon occultation (5) planet occultation (6) sunrise occultation



Optical mission for measuring incoming solar and outgoing reflected radiation

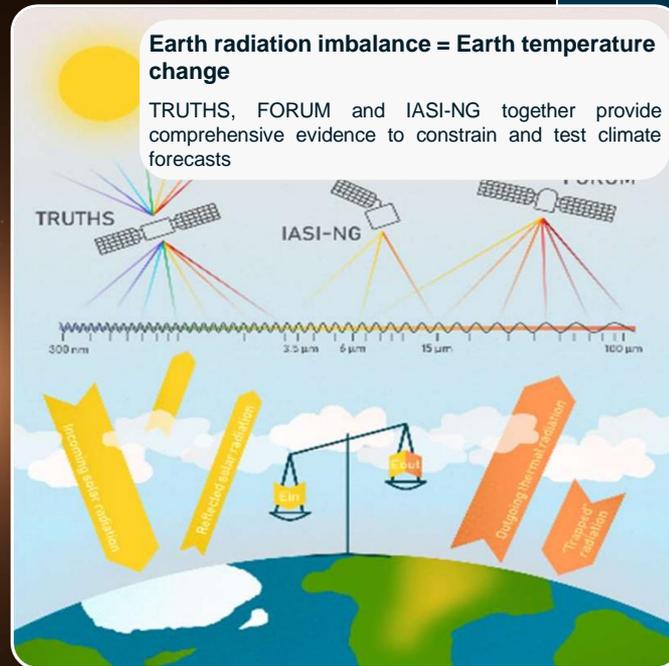
A Metrology lab in space

- UV-VIS-SWIR hyperspectral imager
- Cryogenic Solar Absolute Radiometer replicating the SI-traceable calibration chain and operating at $\sim 220^{\circ}\text{C}$

SI-traceable measurements of the solar spectrum to address direct science/climate questions.

Satellites cross-calibration: Establish a 'metrology laboratory in space' to create a fiducial reference data set to cross-calibrate other sensors and improve the quality of their data anchored to an SI reference in space

Climate benchmarking enhances by an order-of-magnitude our ability to estimate the Earth Radiation Budget through direct measurements of incoming & outgoing energy





Thank you