

The CO2I imaging spectrometer of the CO2M mission: Calibration and correction of instrument effect

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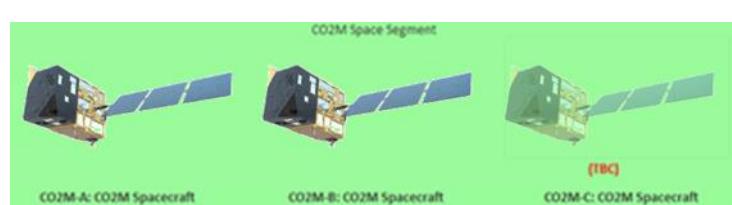
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The CO2M greenhouse-gas monitoring constellation



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Up to three satellite missions each with >250 km swath:

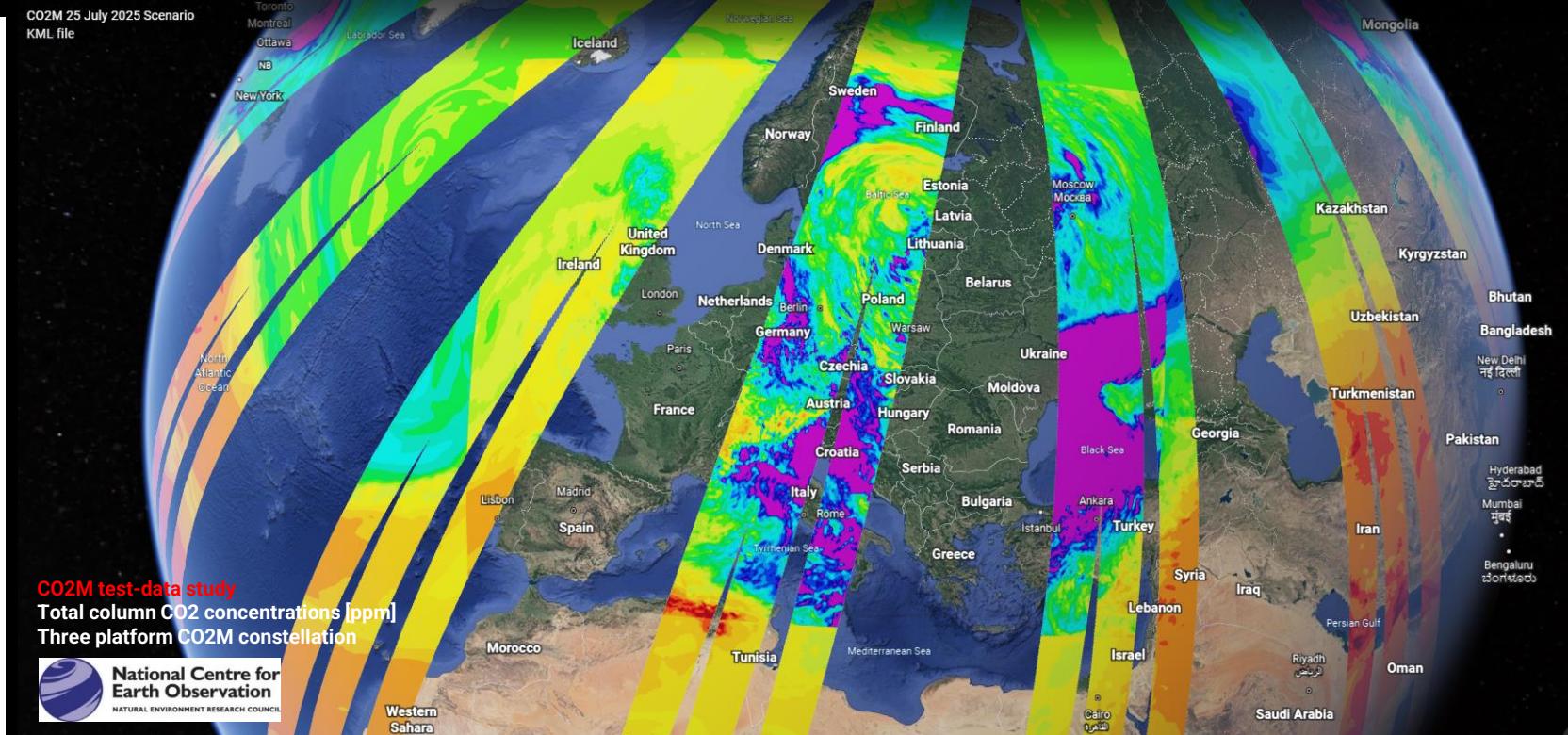
- ✓ Providing greenhouse-gas data for the UNFCCC 2nd global stocktake (GST) in 2028

Three instruments per platform:

- CO2/NO2 push-broom grating spectrometer (CO2I/NO2I)
- Multi-Angle Polarimeter (MAP)
- Cloud Imager (CLIM)

Orbit:

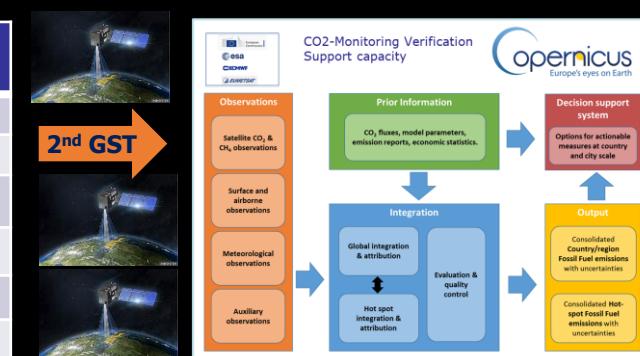
- Sun-synchronous orbit 14 5/11
- 159 orbits repeat cycle (~11 days)
- 735 km altitude
- 11:30 LT
- Platforms in same orbital plane



End user products:

Product	Spatial resolution	Precision	Bias
CO2	4 km ²	0.7 ppm	<0.5 ppm
CH4	4 km ²	10 ppb	<5 ppb
NO2	4 km ²	1.5×10^{15} molec/cm ²	$<3.5 \times 10^{15}$ molec/cm ²
SIF*	4 km ²	$0.7 \text{ mW m}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1} \text{ nm}^{-1}$	$<0.2 \text{ mW m}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1} \text{ nm}^{-1}$
Aerosols	16 km ²	0.05 AOD, 500 m LH	<0.05 AOD, 500 m LH
Clouds	4 km ²	<1% of FOV	

*Solar Induced Fluorescence

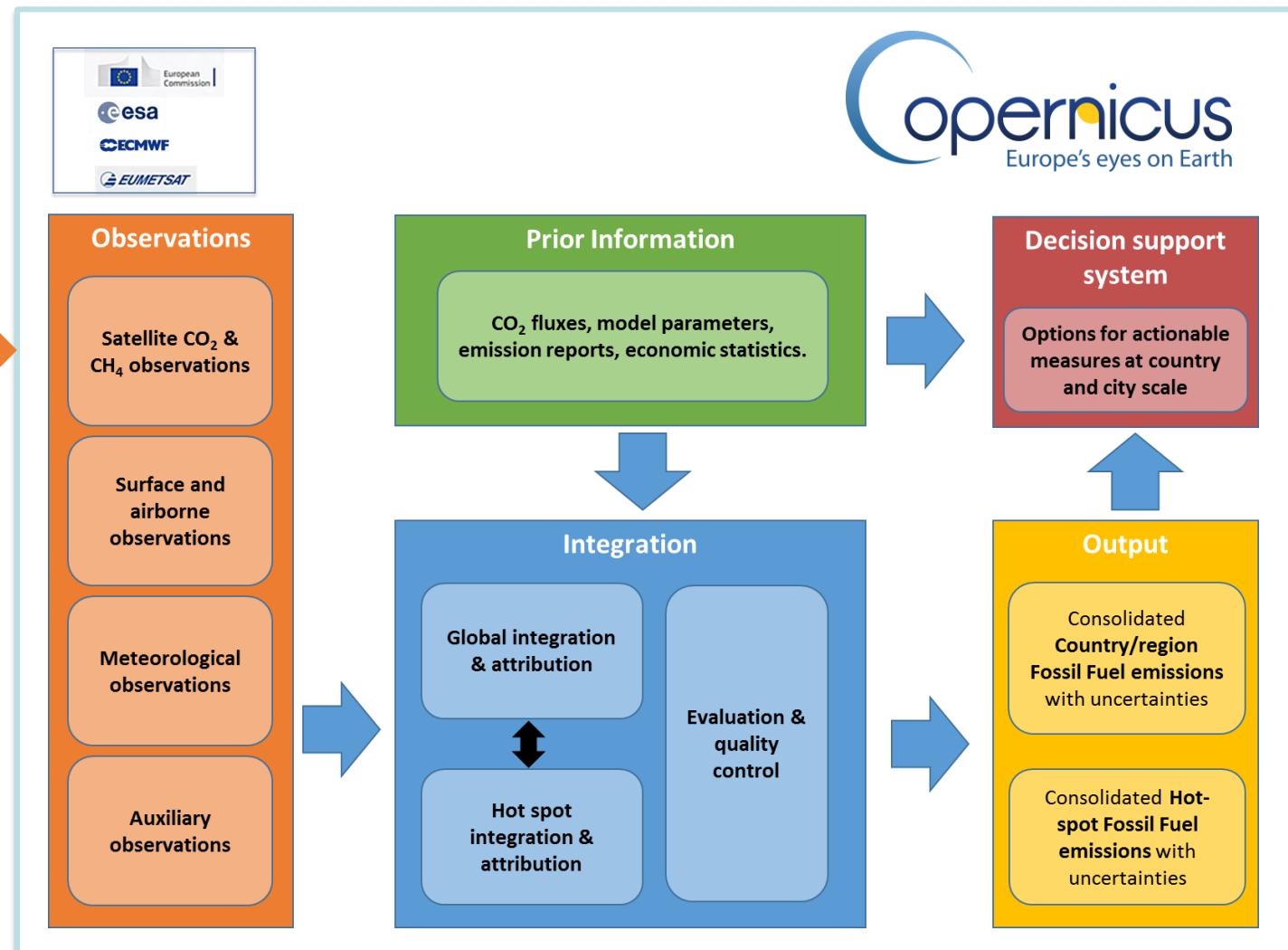


Anthropogenic CO₂ Monitoring and Verification Support (MVS) Capacity

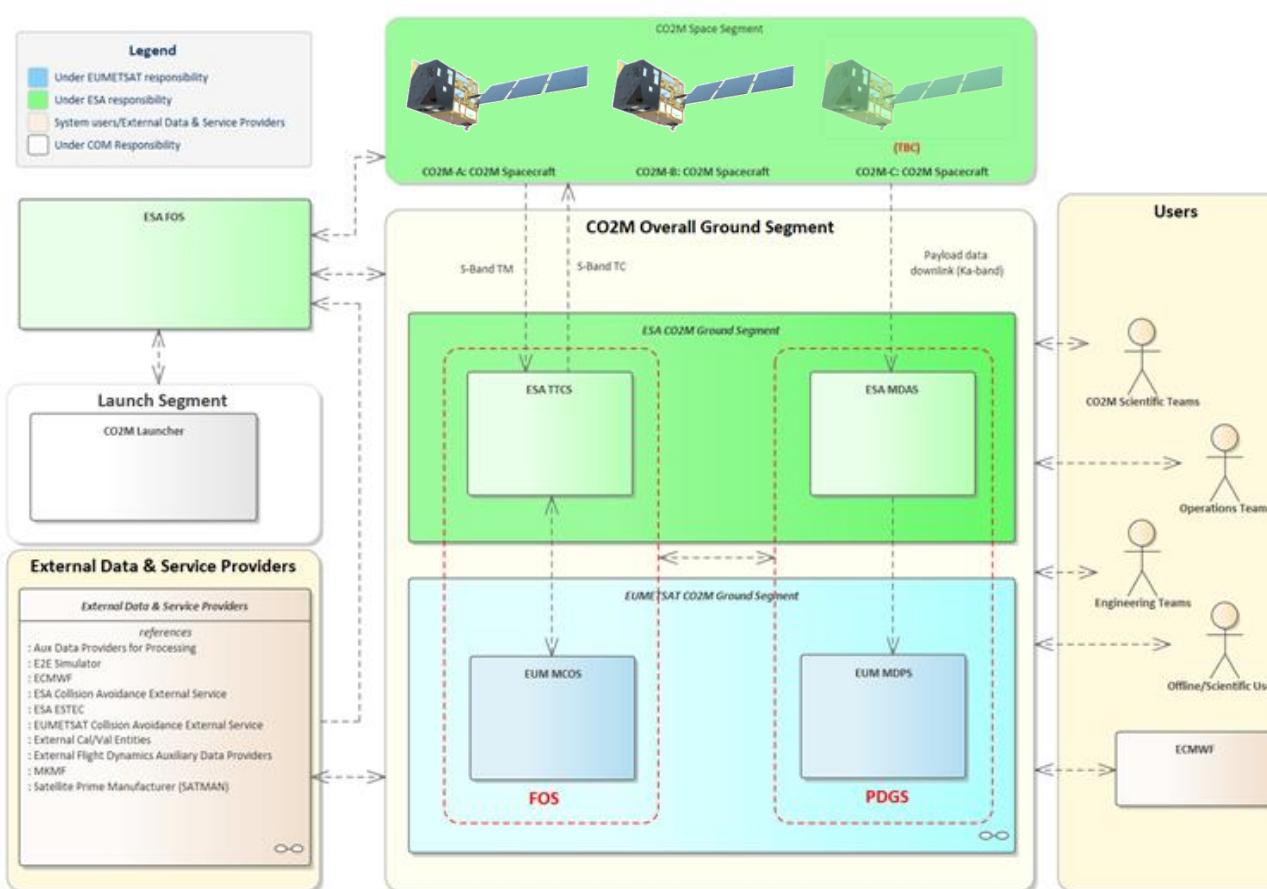
CO₂-MVS system
overview



CO₂M



- **ESA is responsible** of the Space Segment development and its commissioning
- **EUMETSAT is responsible** of the development of the operational ground segment (with contributions from ESA) and the CO2M system operations in system commissioning and routine phase.



For payload data (PDGS):

- MDPS (Mission Data Processing Sub-Segment, including: L0/L1/L2 Operational Processors; Archival Dissemination) provided by EUMETSAT;
- MDAS (Mission Data Acquisition Sub-Segment) provided by ESA as a service.

For Flight Operations (FOS):

- MCOS (Mission Control and Operations sub-segment, including Mission Planning Facility) provided by EUMETSAT;
- TT&C (Telemetry, Tracking and Command) provided by ESA as a service.

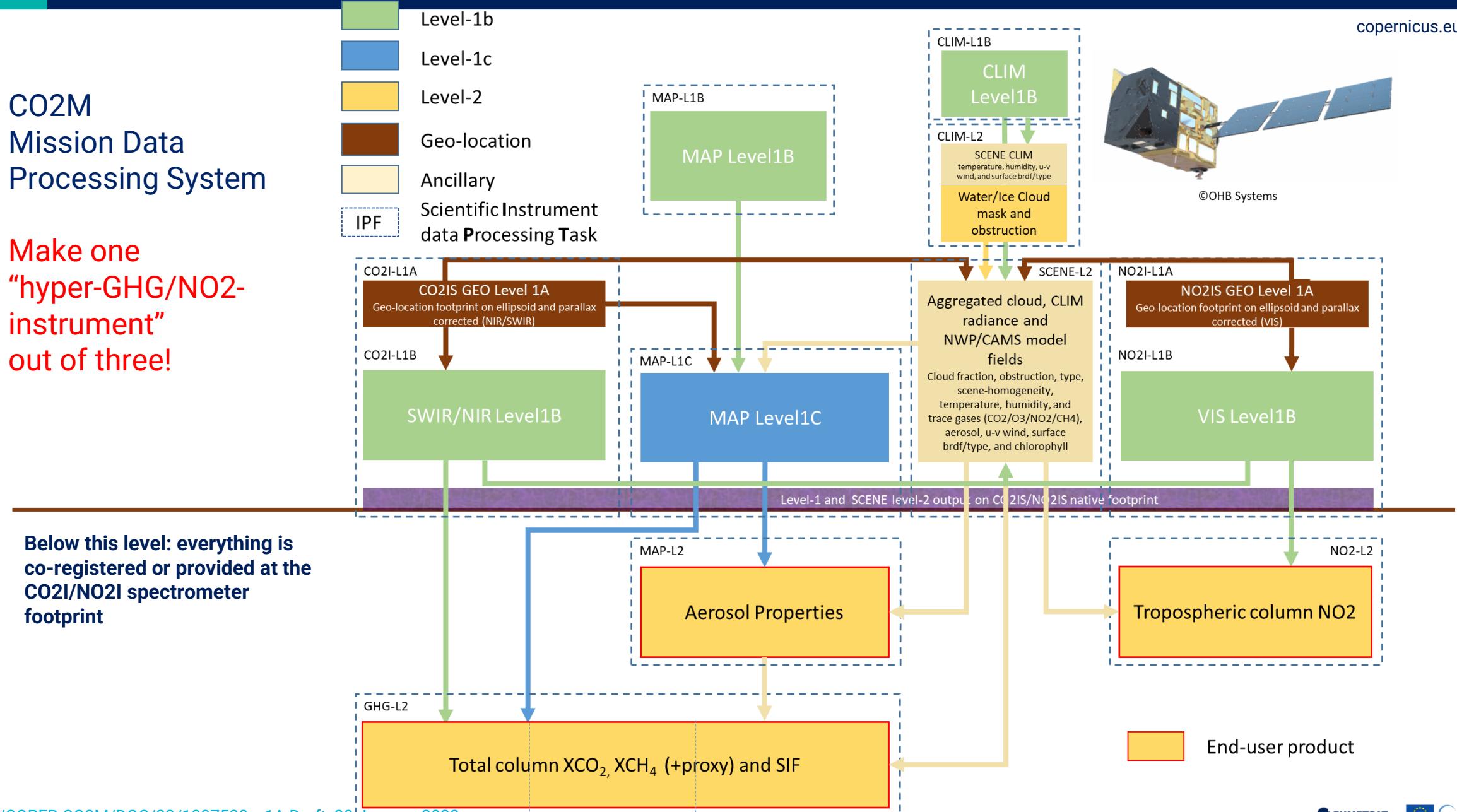


EUMETSAT CO2M MDPS scientific processing tasks

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CO2M Mission Data Processing System

Make one
“hyper-GHG/NO₂-
instrument”
out of three!





CO2I/NO2I observation statistics

“Nadir orbit” configuration

Estimated amount of data (per dayside orbit, per satellite):

Number of measurements (CO2I/NO2I):	~1.1 million
Number of clear sky GHG retrievals:	~200.000
Level-1 / Level-2 GHG/NO2 product sizes:	~35 / 6 GB
All CO2M products:	~280 GB

Estimated number of possible XCO2/XCH4 L2 retrievals:

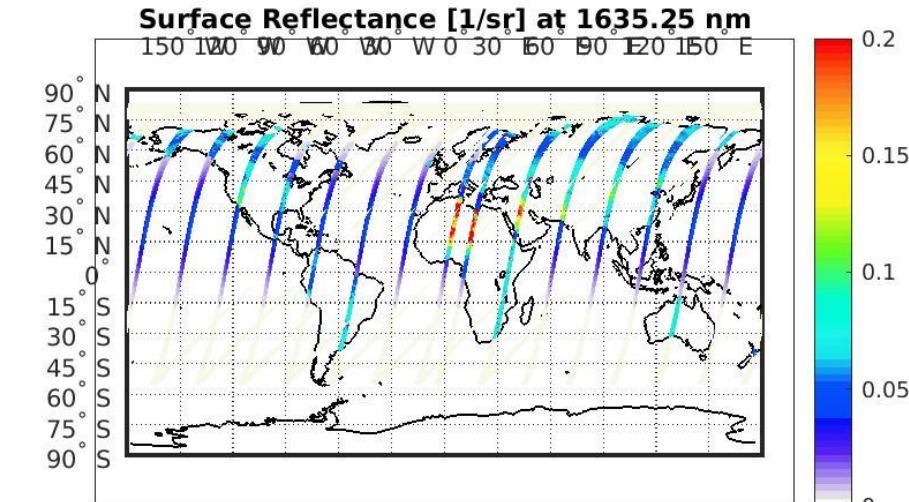
Worst case (max land) Scenario

Orbit type	Worst case (max land) Scenario	Number of observations with surface albedo > 0.03	20 % of total (land/water) used for GHG retrieval due to cloud (<1%) and AOD<0.5
Nadir	Land	630105	131215
	Water (glint>0.03 albedo)	25971	
Pitched	Land	722035	201586
	Water (glint>0.03 albedo)	285895	

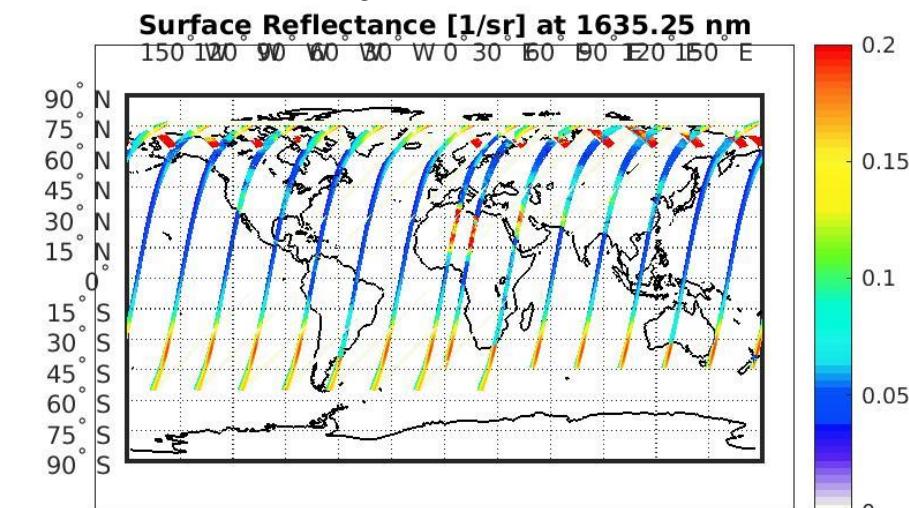
Average (full day) Scenario

Orbit type	Average (full day) Scenario *	Number of observations with surface albedo > 0.03	20 % of total (land/water) used for GHG retrieval due to cloud (<1%) and AOD<0.5
Nadir	Land	250530	98065
	Water (glint>0.03 albedo)	249827	
Pitched	Land	239793	200222
	Water (glint>0.03 albedo)	720592	

These figures are per Satellite per orbit.



“Pitched orbit” configuration

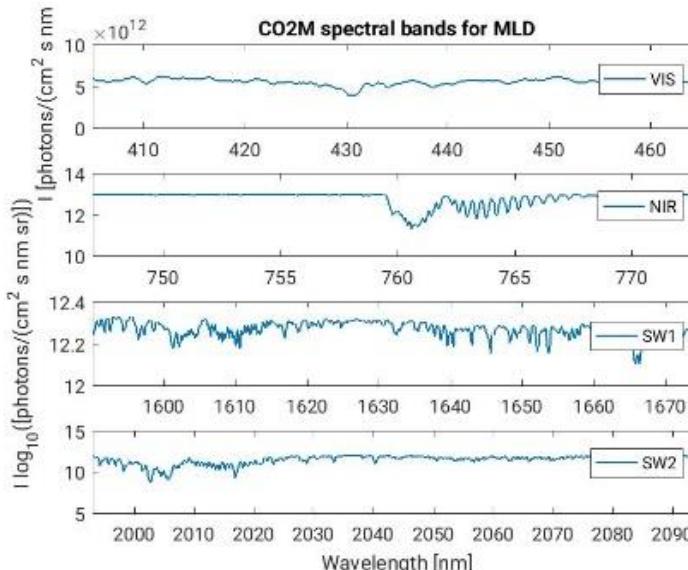




CO2M level-1 and SCENE-L2 products

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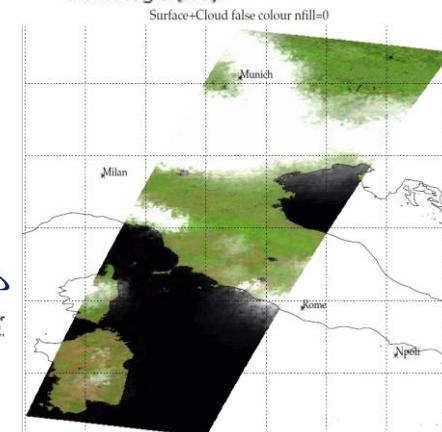
Level-1b NO2-IS: Calibrated radiances
VIS (405 – 490 nm)
Level-1b CO2-IS: Calibrated radiances
NIR (747 – 773 nm)
SWIR-1 (1590 -1675 nm)
SWIR-2 (1990 -2095 nm)



False-color image
VIS/NIR/SWIR-1 for modelled CO2M radiances from prelim. EUM test-data-set (From EUM test-data study)

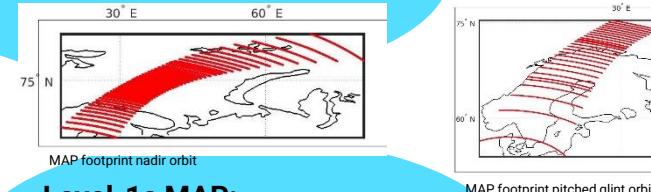
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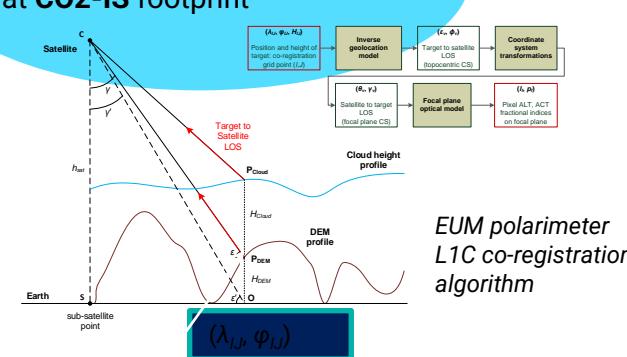


Euler STA-CO2-SC-RAD_N_EUMT_20250703111539_20250703111839_G_T.YYYYMMDDhhmmss.FT

Level-1b MAP:
Calibrated pol. radiances
(410 443 490 555 670 (753) 865 nm)

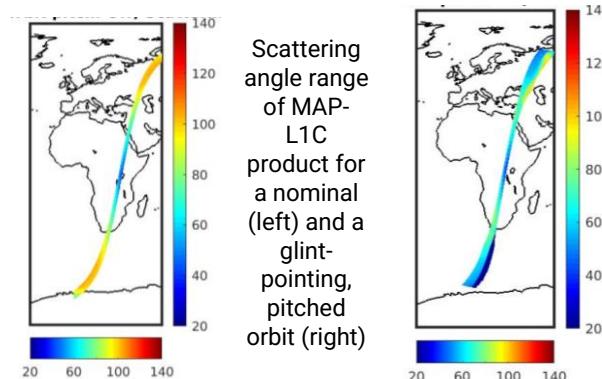


Level-1c MAP:
Multi-view I,Q,U radiances at CO2-IS footprint

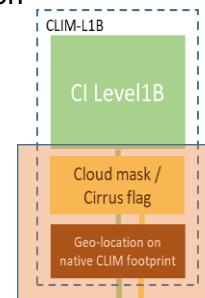
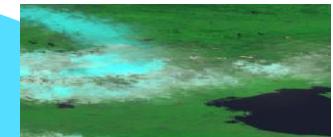


EUM polarimeter L1C co-registration algorithm

Pointing from P at CO2-IS lat/lon footprint point (l_{ij}) , from terrain height H to MAP instrument detector plane. (Cloud height parallax not considered for CO2M, TBC)



Level-1b CLIM:
Calibrated radiances
(670 753 1320 nm)
Cloud and cirrus flag /
cloud and cirrus obstruction at native resolution



EUM cloud CLIM L2 study (Syn-Cloud):
Brockmann Consult

Level-2 SCENE:
Aggregated cloud and cirrus obstruction at CO2-IS resolution:

- Cloud fraction (geometric)
- Cloud distance
- Cloud top height
- Cloud obstruction (radiometric)
- Scene inhomogeneity (std of imager radiances)

Additional cloud information:

- CO2-IS NIR: Oxygen A-Band
- NO2-IS: $(\text{O}_2)_2$ absorption
- MAP: I, Q, U (Rainbow, cloud type, ...)
- CO2-IS SWIR: cirrus

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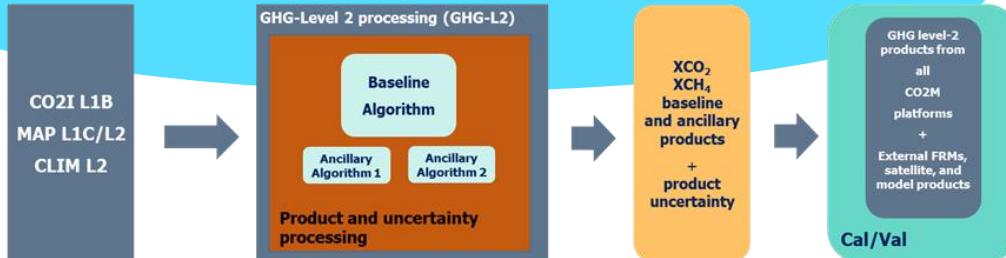
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CO2M level-2 products

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CO2M GHG level-2 product: XCO₂ / XCH₄



CO2M GHG retrieval algorithms:
(XCO₂, XCH₄)

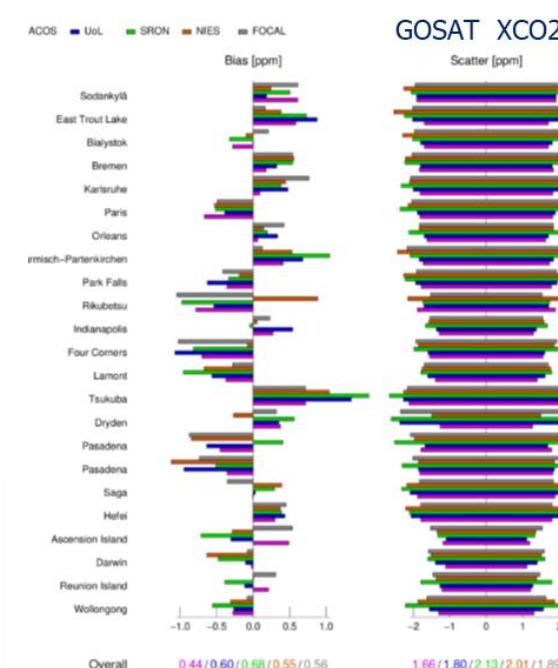
RemoTAP
(Hasekamp, Landgraf, Lu et. al.)

FOCAL
(Reuter, Buchwitz, Noel, Hilker, et al)

FUSIONAL-P
(Boesch, di Noia, et al.)

CO2M Products requirements:

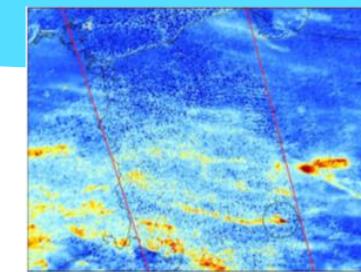
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Clouds	<5% of FOV	Water & cirrus clouds



Noel et al., AMT 2021

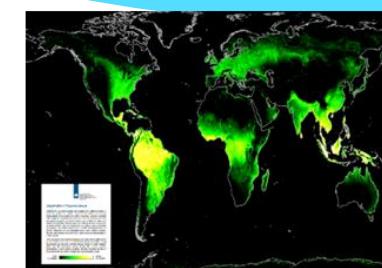
CO2M NO₂ level-2 product (plume mapping)

*EUM NO₂ level-2 study
algorithm: TriOpSys/KNMI*

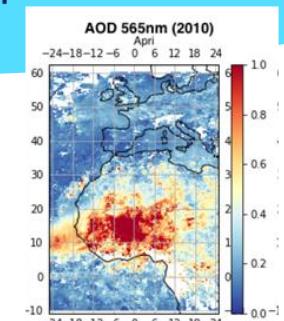


TropOMI/S5p zoom mode at ~2x2 km

CO2M SIF and Aerosol level-2 product



*EUM SIF level-2 study
algorithm: U. Leicester*



*EUM Aerosol level-2 study
algorithms: GRASP
(GRASP-SAS/U. Lille)*

Complementarity, resilience and performance:

- ✓ Different physical retrieval approaches - Full-physics (RemoTAP/FUSIONAL-P), scattering approximation (FOCAL);
- ✓ Different heritage lines (SCIAMACHY, OCO-2, GOSAT, Sentinel5p/5, 3MI, SPEXOne, POLDER);
- ✓ Complementary exploitation of information content of CO2M payload information (CO2I/MAP/CLIM);
- ✓ Complementary processing cost (cheap, medium, heavy).

CO2M platform information content usage:

Processing step	GHG L2 Input		
	RemoTAP	UoL-FP-FUSIONAL-P	FOCAL
Pre	SCENE-L2	SCENE-L2	SCENE-L2
Main	CO2I L1B+MAP-L1C	CO2I L1B+MAP-L2	CO2I L1B
Post			MAP-L1C/L2+CLIM L2





Early results from synthetic data (GHG level-2 XCO₂)

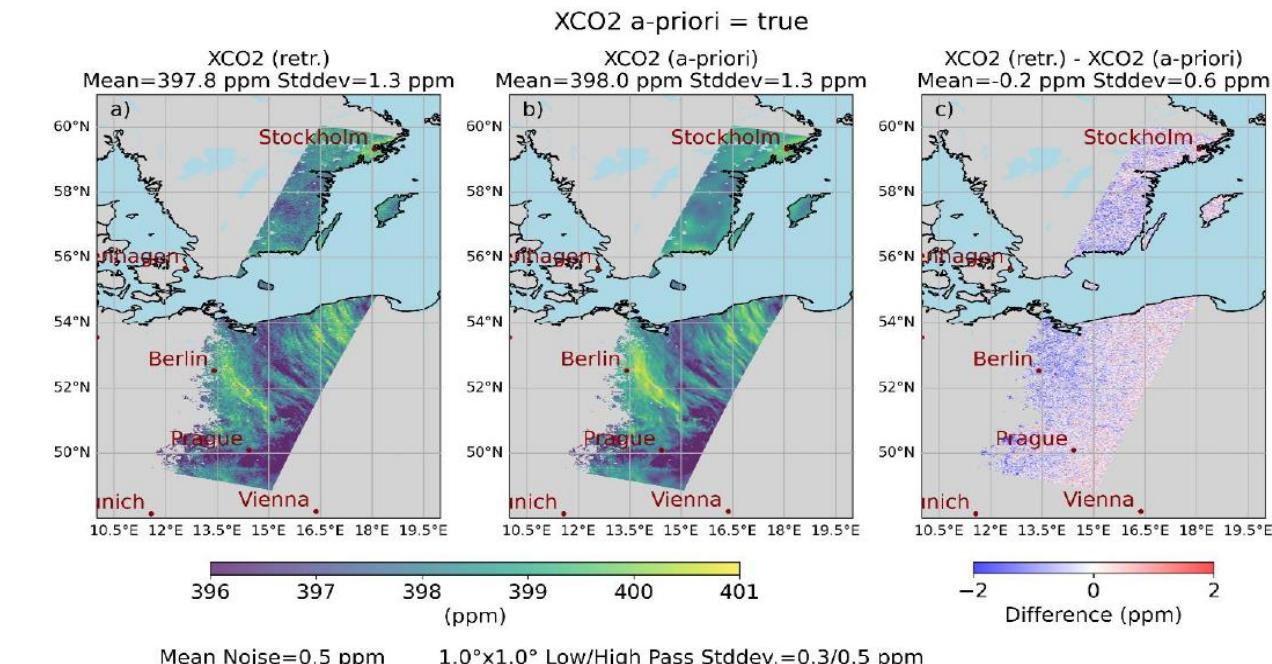
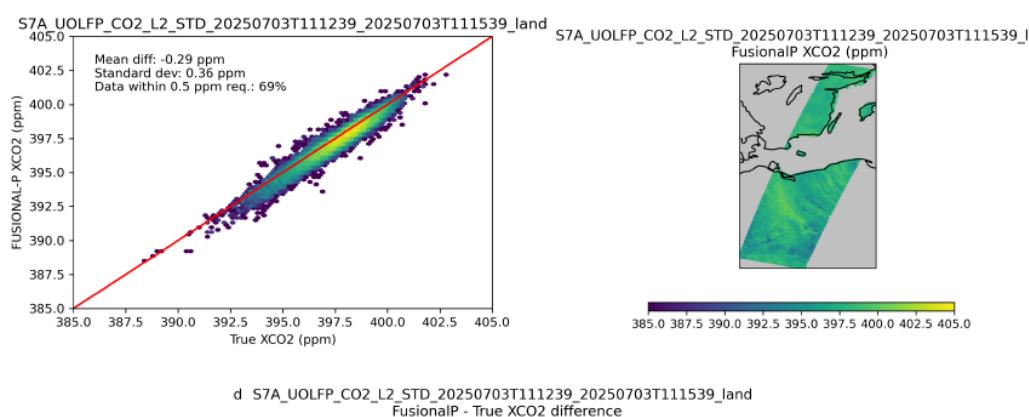
**Three GHG algorithms
for CO₂M**

FOCAL



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Post			MAP-L1C/L2+CLIM L2

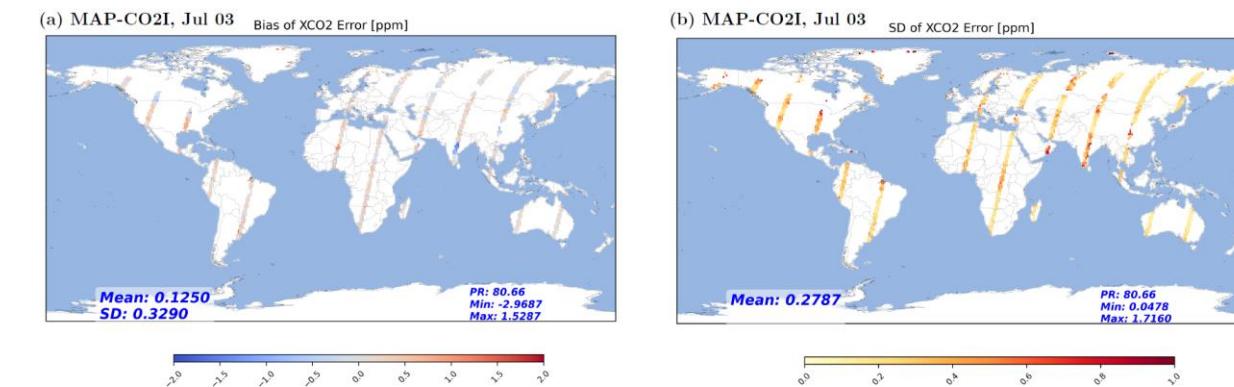
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FUSIONAL-P



RemoTAP SRON





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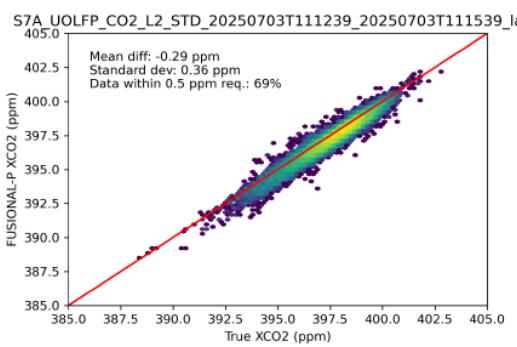
**Three GHG algorithms
for CO₂M**

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Pre	SCENE-L2	SCENE-L2	SCENE-L2
Main	CO2I L1B+MAP-L1C	CO2I L1B+MAP-L2	CO2I L1B
Post			MAP-L1C/L2+CLIM L2

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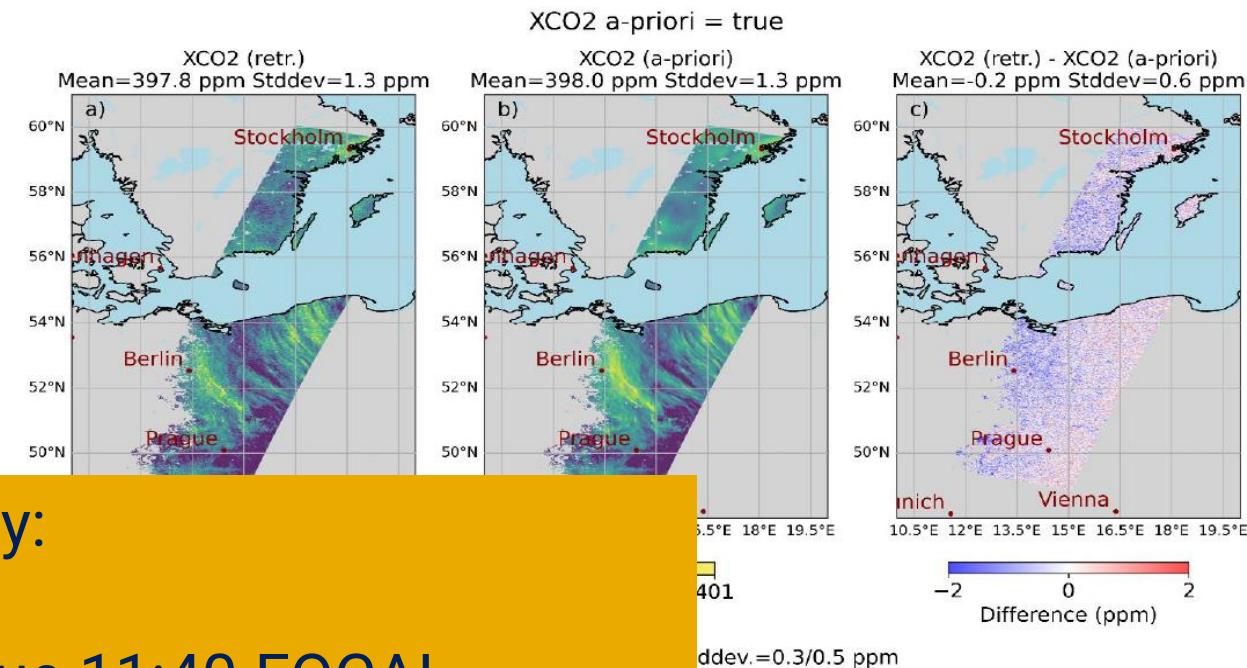


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FusionIP - True XCO₂ difference

FUSIONAL-P



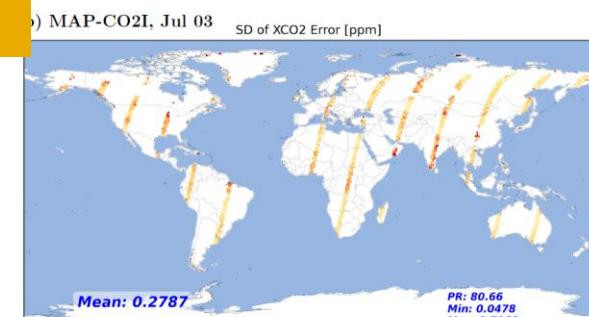
FOCAL



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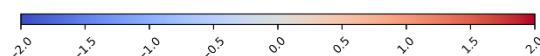
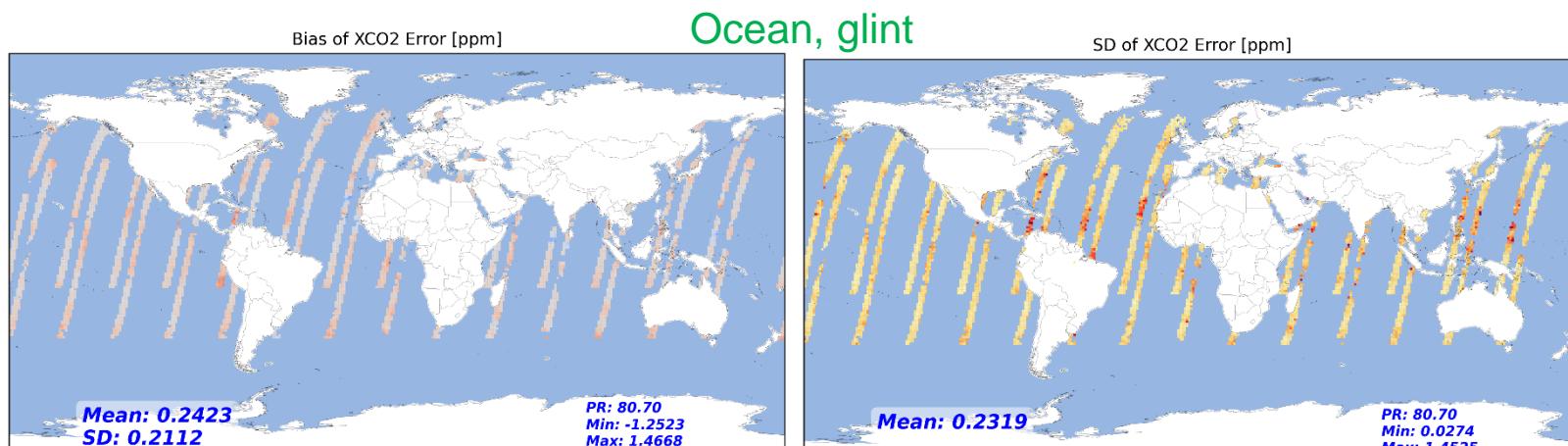
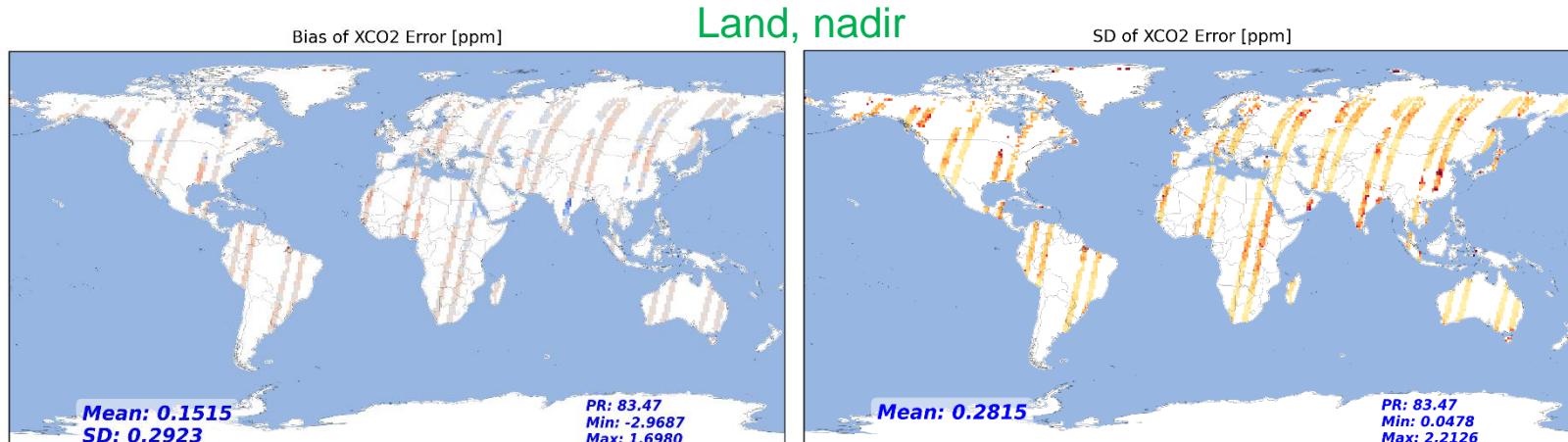
2.2.4 Antonio Di Noia, Tue 11:50 Fusional-P



MAP-CO2I Retrievals of RemoTAP

SRON

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case	Accuracy	Precision	Overall RMSE	Overall bias
Land, nadir	0.2923 ppm	0.2815 ppm	0.5493 ppm	0.1593 ppm
Ocean, glint	0.2112 ppm	0.2319 ppm	0.4230 ppm	0.2430 ppm



Early results from synthetic data (NO₂ level-2)

NO₂ algorithms or CO₂M

Bełchatów coal power plant

Albedo effects, ATBD 2024



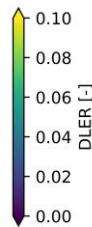
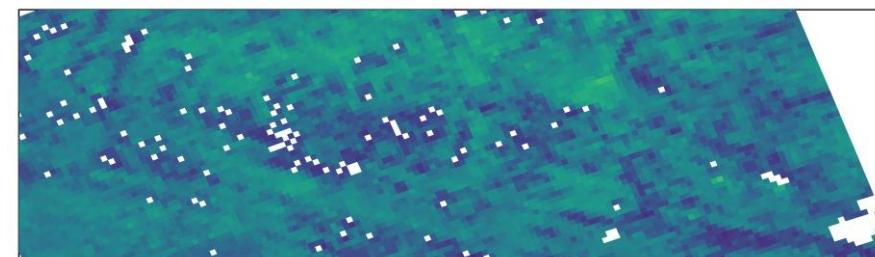
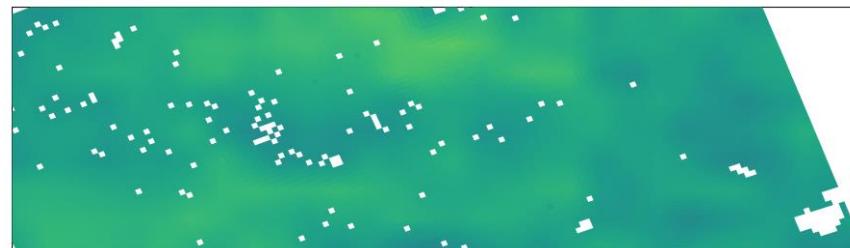
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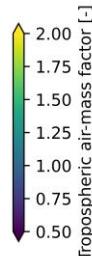
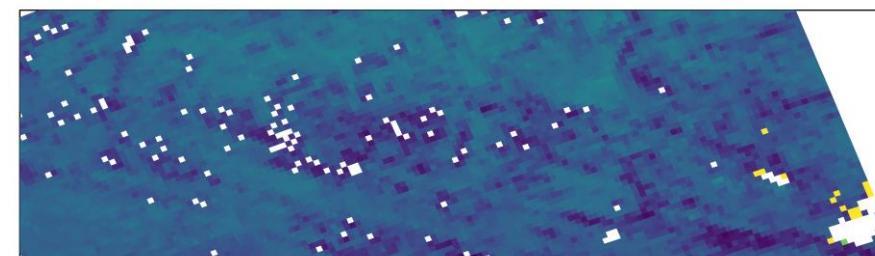
S5P algorithm

CO2M algorithm

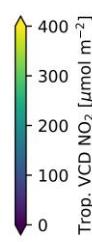
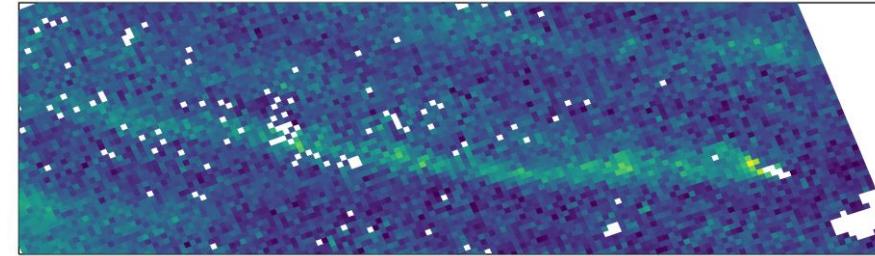
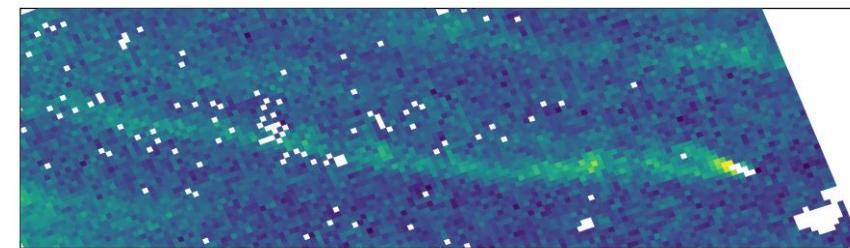
Surface reflectance
(DLER)



Tropospheric
air-mass factor



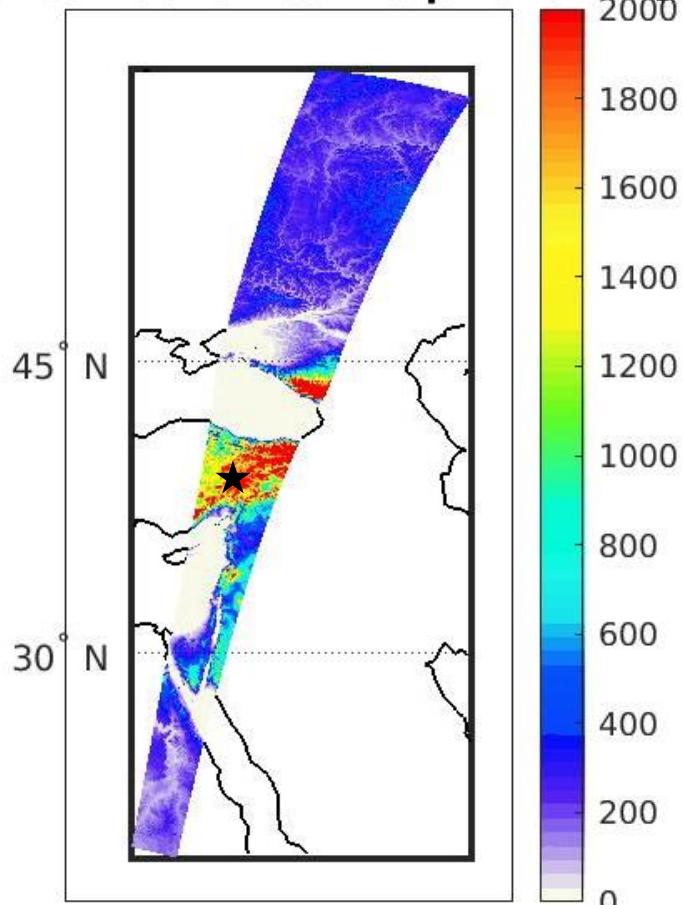
Tropospheric
NO₂ vertical column



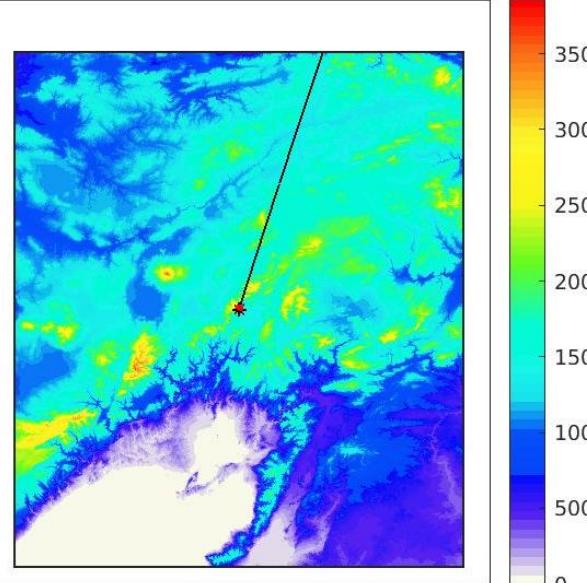


CO2M CO2I parallax corrected footprints (sun-glint/pitched orbit)

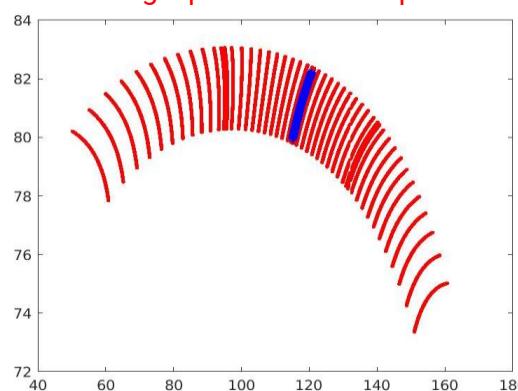
Parallax correction centre pixel shift [m]



CO2M parallax correction

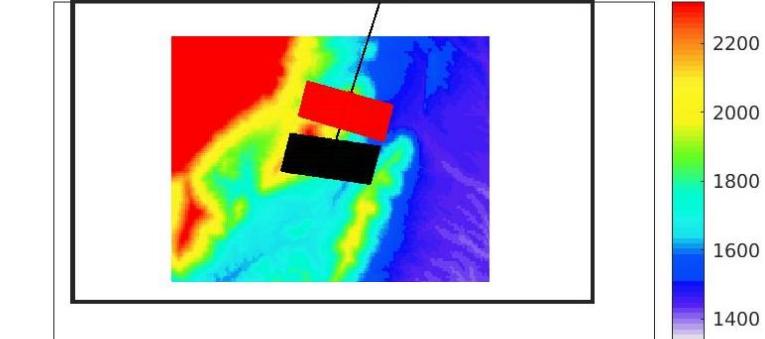


Multi-angle polarimeter footprints...

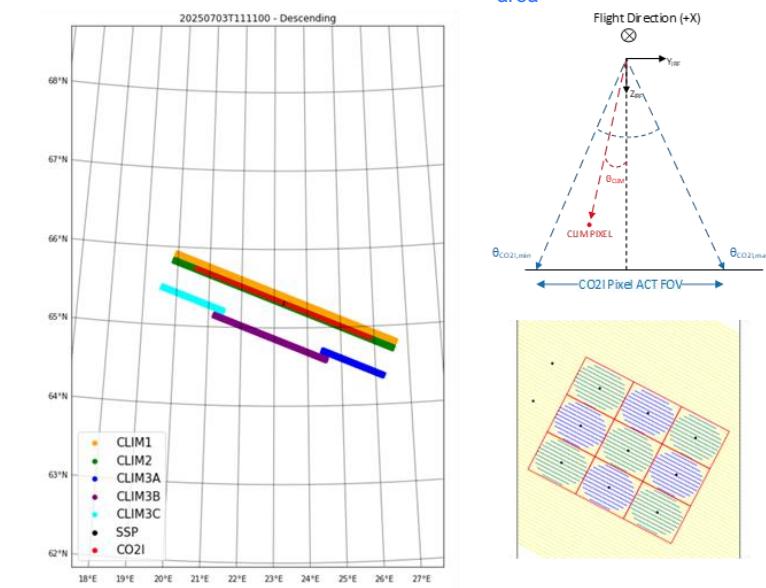


...co-registered on parallax corrected CO2I spectrometer footprint

Mean elevation: 1822.449 [m] (Uncorr: 1895.8576 [m])



Cloud imager cloud mask (100 m VNIR / 300 m SWIR)

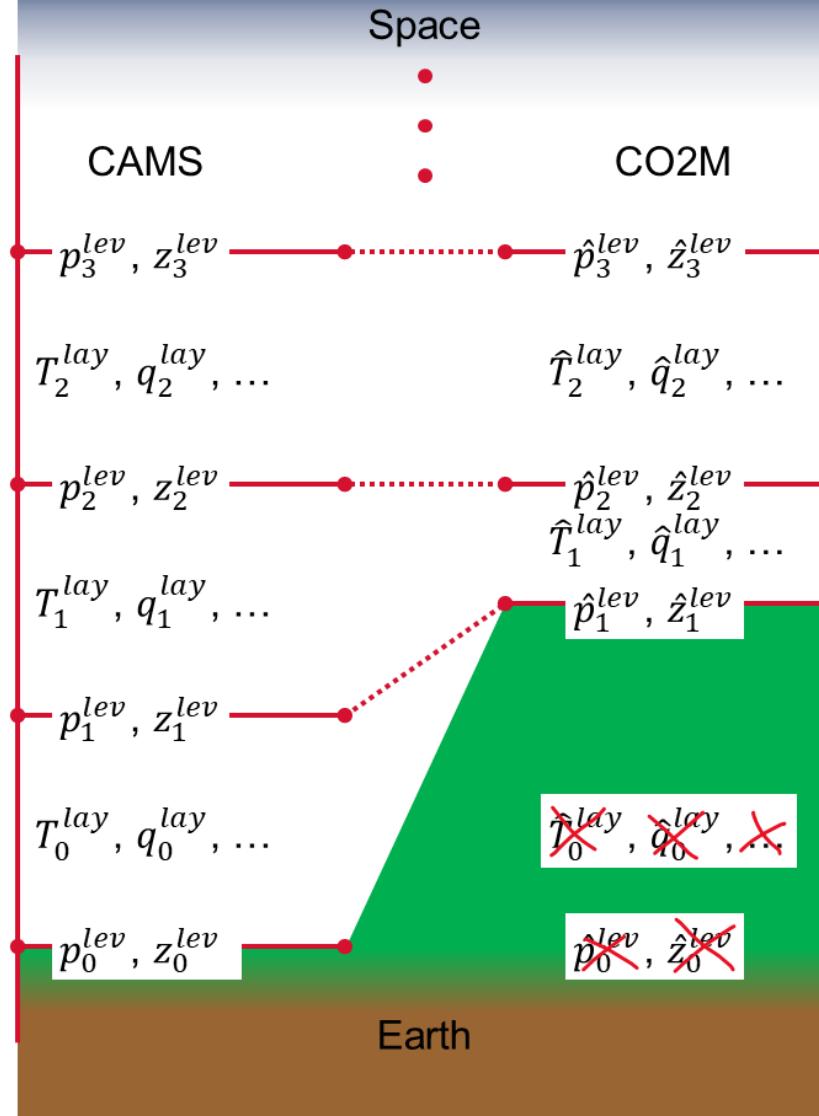


Parallax corrected cloud mask locations aggregated within parallax corrected Spectrometer LOS (SEDf) area



Central auxiliary data processing (SCENE level-2)

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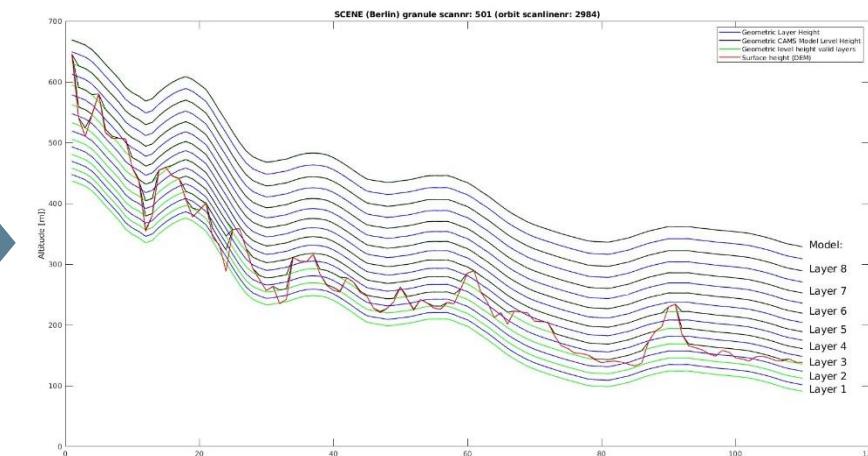
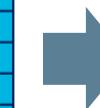


"Air around mountain" approach, M. Reuter et al.

EUM/COPER-CO2M/DOC/22/1337528, v1A Draft, 20 January 2023

Profile model data ($>10 \times 10 \text{ km}^2$)

cams_data/
hybrid_level_coeff_a
hybrid_level_coeff_b
cams_aerosol_wavelength
surface_pressure_cams
surface_pressure
surface_altitude_geoid
surface_altitude_geoid_cams
surface_layer_number
pressure
temperature
specific_humidity
co2
co
ch4
o3
no2
so2
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ammonium
nitrate_fine_mode
u_wind_speed
v_wind_speed
snow_depth
snow_albedo
sea_ice_cover



Derived total column model data

Derived quantities under scene_data/
geopotential
geometric_layer_height
geometric_level_height
tropopause_height
dry_air_particle_number
total_column_water_vapour
total_column_o3
total_column_no2
total_column_so2
total_column_hcho
total_column_xco
total_column_xco2
total_column_xch4

(at CO2M centre pixel surface altitude Using Copernicus DSM GLO-90 at $\sim 230 \text{ m}$ resolution)

clim_data/	
scene_inhomogeneity	[scanline×ground_pixel × clim_ch *)]
cloud_fraction	[scanline×ground_pixel x cloud_area]
cloud_distance	[scanline×ground_pixel x cloud_area]
cloud_obstruction	[scanline×ground_pixel]
cloud_top_height	[scanline×ground_pixel]
cirrus_fraction	[scanline×ground_pixel x cirrus_area]
cloud_distance	[scanline×ground_pixel x cloud_area]
cirrus_obstruction	[scanline×ground_pixel]
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*) clim_ch=CLIM1/2

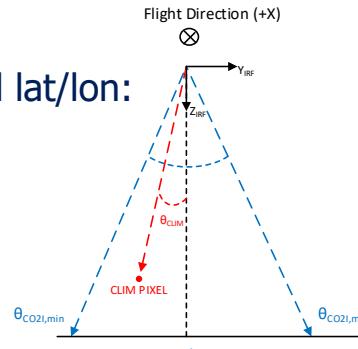
cloud_area / cirrus-area

4 areas covered

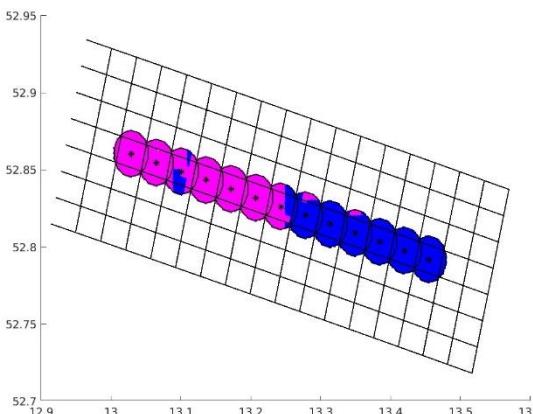
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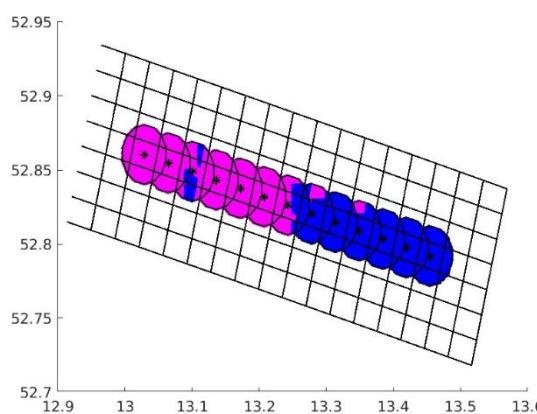
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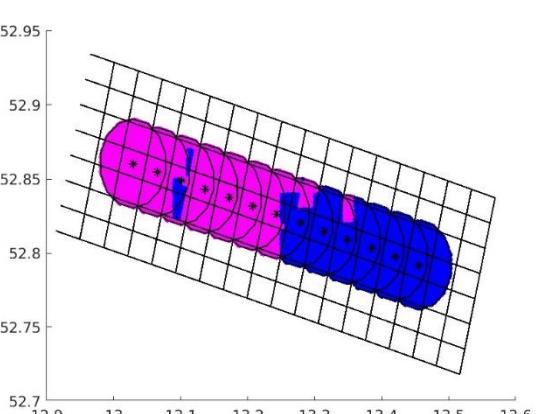
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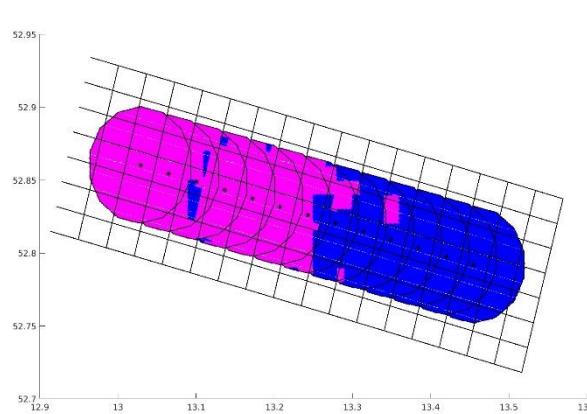
Area 1



Area 2



Area 3



Area 4

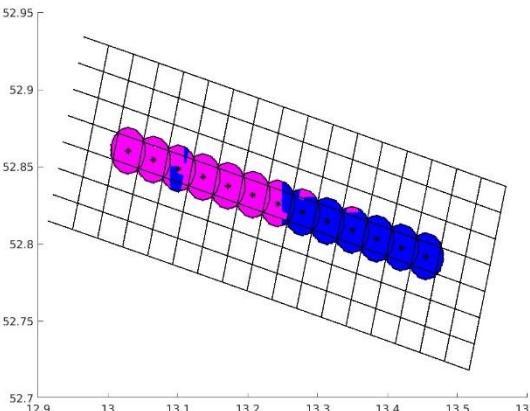


SCENE cloud information from CLIM data

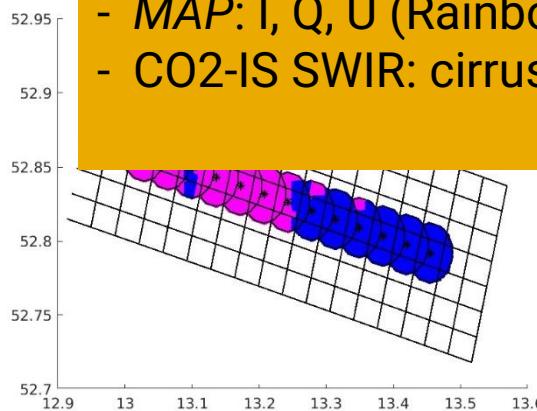
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clim_data/	
scene_inhomogeneity	[scanline×ground_pixel × clim_ch *)]
cloud_fraction	[scanline×ground_pixel x cloud_area]
cloud_distance	[scanline×ground_pixel x cloud_area]
cloud_obstruction	[scanline×ground_pixel]
cloud_top_height	[scanline×ground_pixel]
cirrus_fraction	[scanline×ground_pixel x cirrus_area]
cloud_distance	[scanline×ground_pixel x cloud_area]
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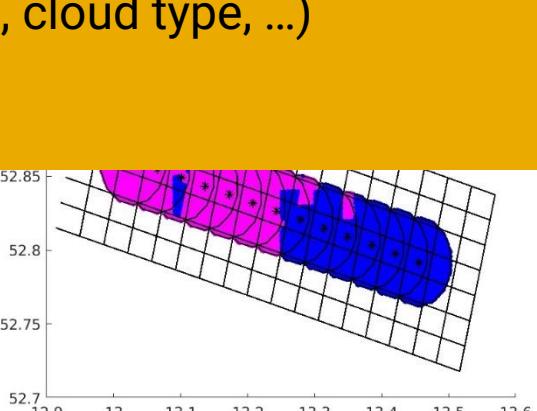
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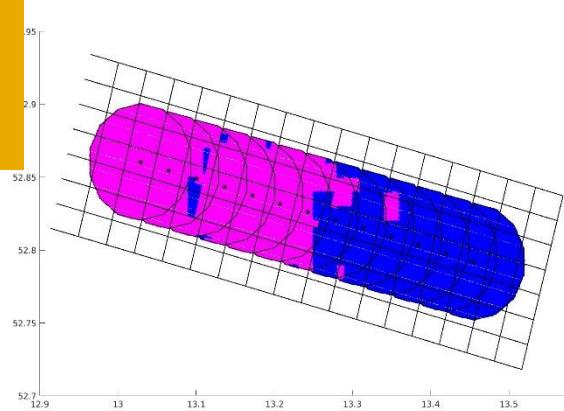
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Additional cloud information from CO2I / MAP:

- CO2-IS NIR: Oxygen A-Band
- NO2-IS: $(O_2)_2$ absorption
- MAP: I, Q, U (Rainbow, cloud type, ...)
- CO2-IS SWIR: cirrus

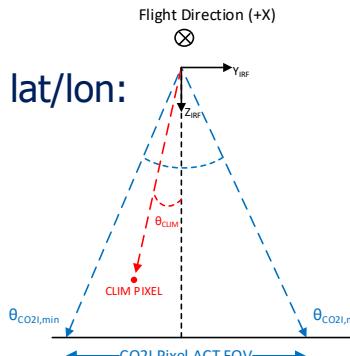
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CO2M CO2I spectrometer false colour radiance image (VIS/NIR/SWIR)

CO2M 6-orbits test-data
set of top-of-atmosphere
radiances for a
constellation of 3
platforms

"West" platform continuously
pointing towards the sun-glint spot

3rd July 2025 (205)

1. EU west (pitch on)
2. EU cent (pitch: off)
3. EU east (pitch: off)

9th Sep 2025 (205)

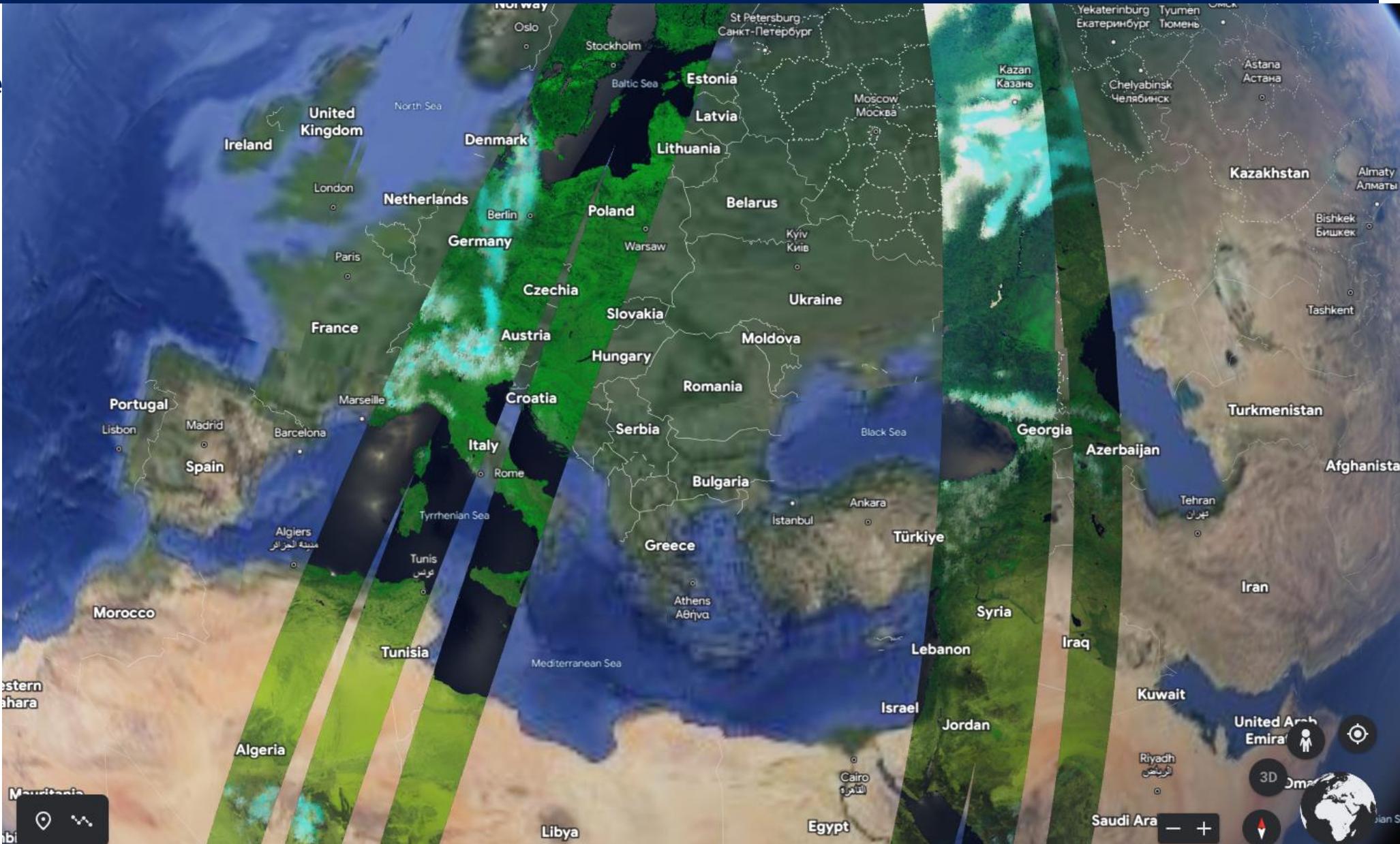
1. Asia cent (pitch: off)
2. Asia west (pitch: on)
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- Critical Design Reviews for product processing ongoing.
- CDR for the system (satellite and ground segment) expected by Q4 2024.
- First results and test-data for all product levels available.
- CO2M multi-instrument, multi-algorithm approach is expected to maximise usage of full CO2M information content and to increase product accuracy and robustness.



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