



# Assessment of Approaches for the Mitigation of Confounding Effects in PRISMA and EnMAP Retrieval of Topsoil Properties

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# Limitation of hyperspectral data for soil properties retrieval



## Hyperspectral data for soil properties retrieval

**Laboratory spectroscopy**

- No spectral mixing
- Discrete measurement
- Costly to repeat

**Field spectroscopy**

- Low spectral mixing
- Point measurements and costly
- Costly to repeat

**Airborne image spectroscopy**

- Medium spectral mixing
- Spatially continuous measurement (local)
- Costly to repeat

**Spaceborne image spectroscopy**

- High spectral mixing
- Spatially continuous measurement (local to regional)
- Medium revisit time

## External parameters effect minimizing

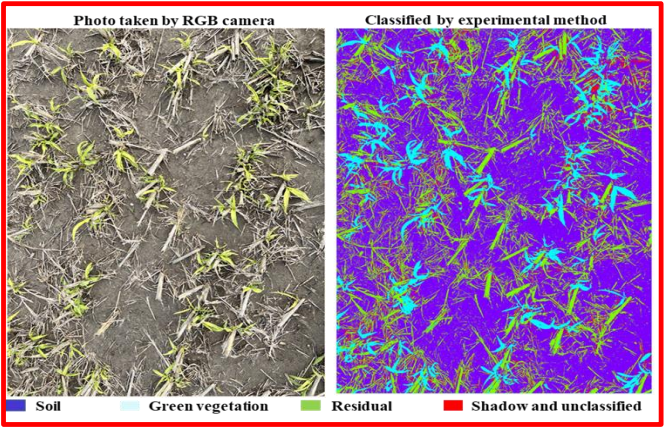
**External (non-wanted) parameters effect minimizing**

**Known external parameter quantity**

- A Priori correction
- Post correction

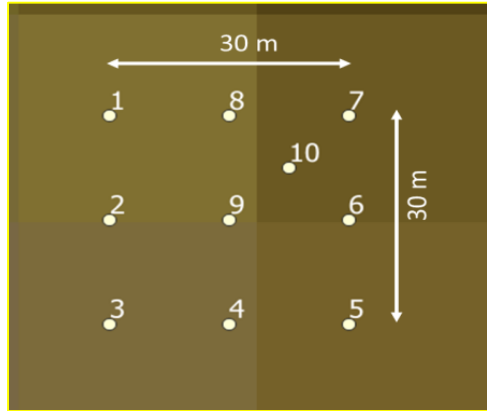
**Unknown External parameter quantity (Remote sensing)**

- Optimization of the train sample basis
- Preprocessing methods  
Smoothing, SNV, Derivative, Absorbance, Detrending baseline
- Chemometric methods  
EPO, DS, PDS, OSG, GLSW
- Radiative transfer model  
MARMIT (soil moisture)



# In-situ data gathering and image acquisition (Italy)

## Elementary Sampling Unit



## Installation of Soil Moisture Sensors

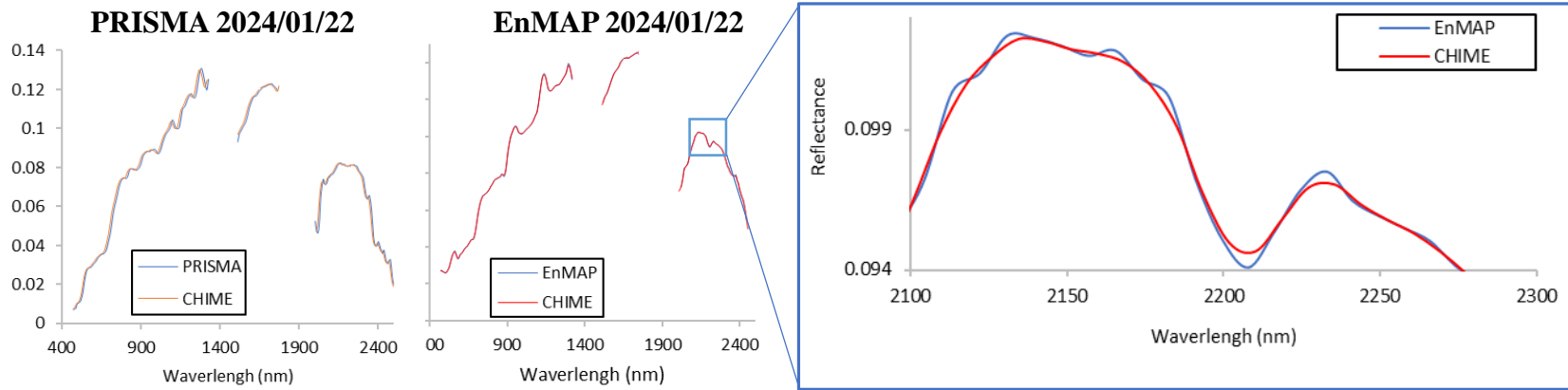


## PRISMA Dataset (3 test sites: Jolanda, Maccarese, Pignola)

Totally 20 PRISMA images (2019-2023), n = 635

Variable	Min	Max	Mean	Std
Clay (%)	4.4	79.8	42.7	20.5
Silt (%)	1.1	64.7	26.1	15.8
Sand (%)	2.8	93.0	31.2	28.4
SOC (%)	0.2	6.4	1.8	1.6

## CHIME simulation



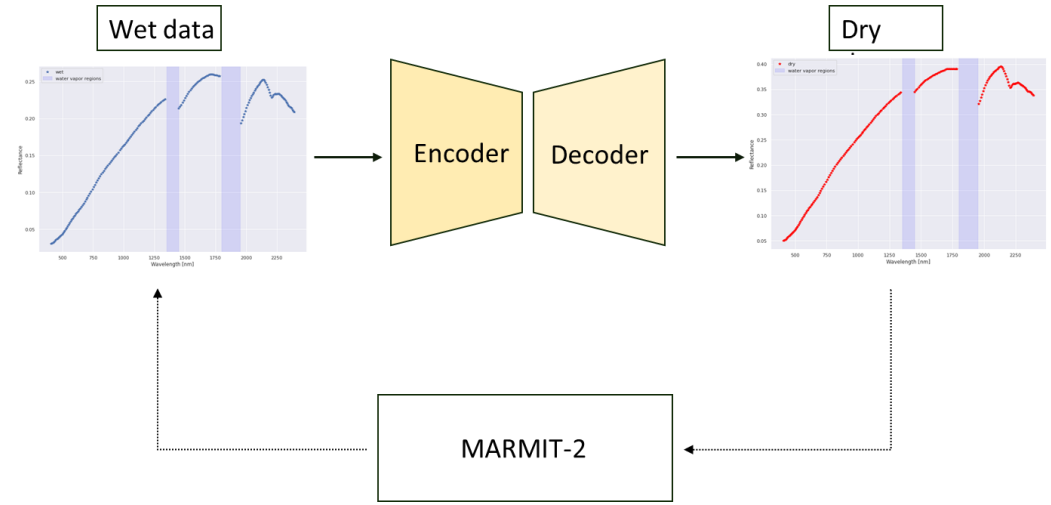
## EnMAP Dataset (1 test site: Jolanda)

Totally 5 EnMAP images (2022-2023), n = 103

Variable	Min	Max	Mean	Std
Clay (%)	23.2	73.8	54.2	15.3
Silt (%)	21.0	64.7	36.8	12.6
Sand (%)	2.8	22.0	9.0	5.3
SOC (%)	0.6	8.9	3.6	2.3

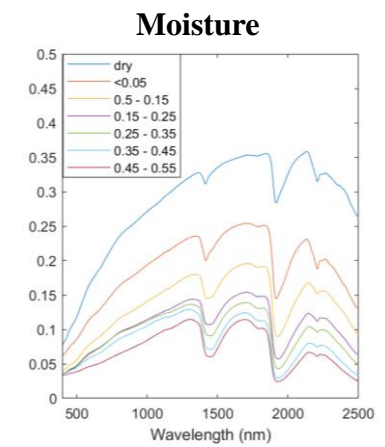
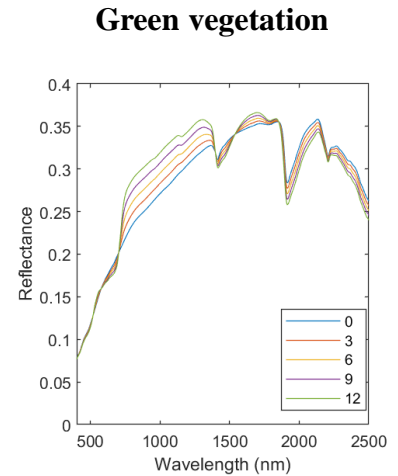
# Minimizing the external parameters effect of reflectance

## Multi-layer Radiative Transfer Model of soil reflectance (MARMIT)

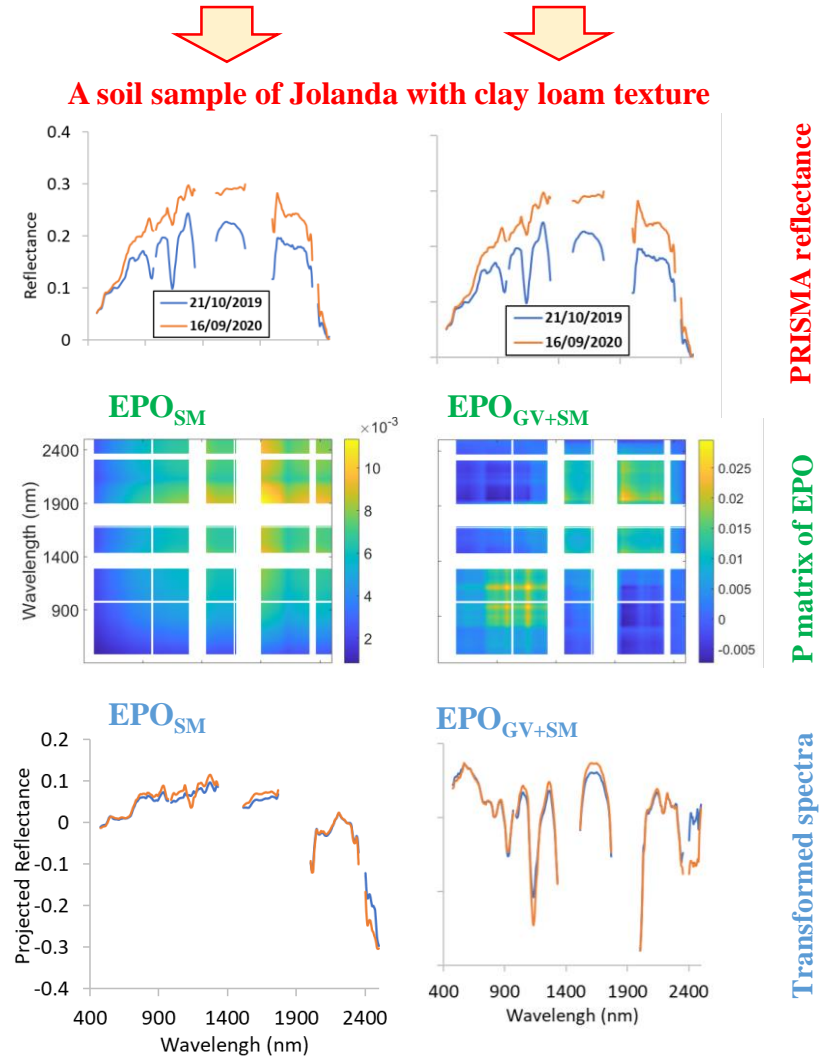


$$X = XP + XQ + R$$

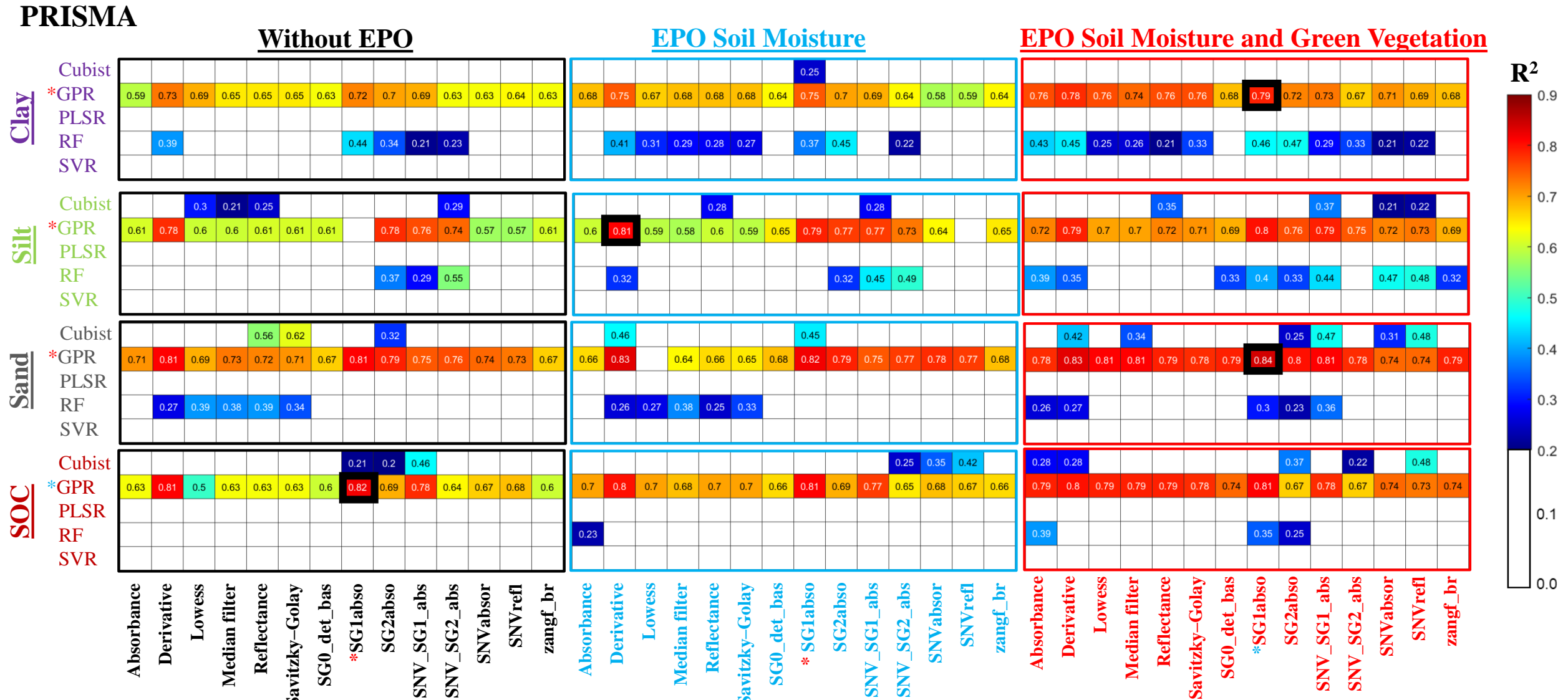
- (i) Useful component attributable to selected parameter(s),
- (ii) A parasitic component attributable to non-selected parameter(s),
- (iii) Independent residual



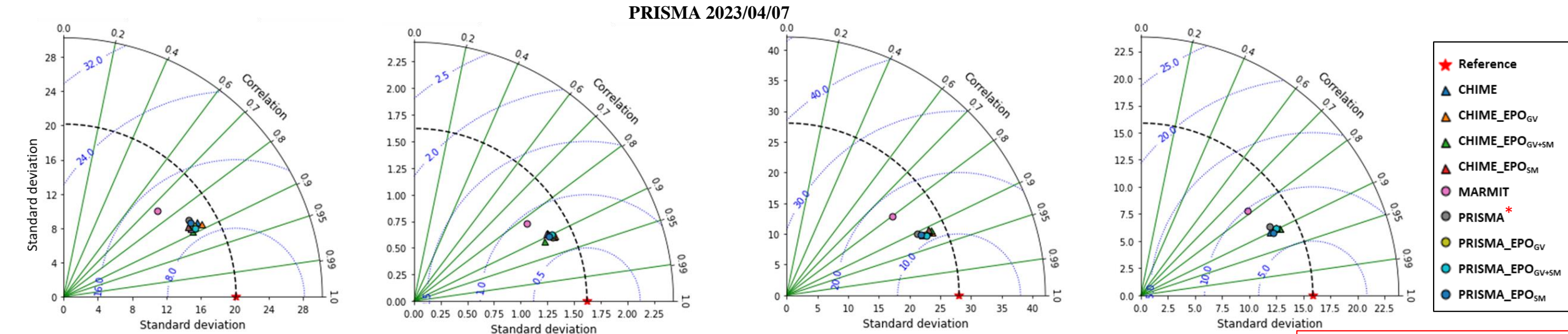
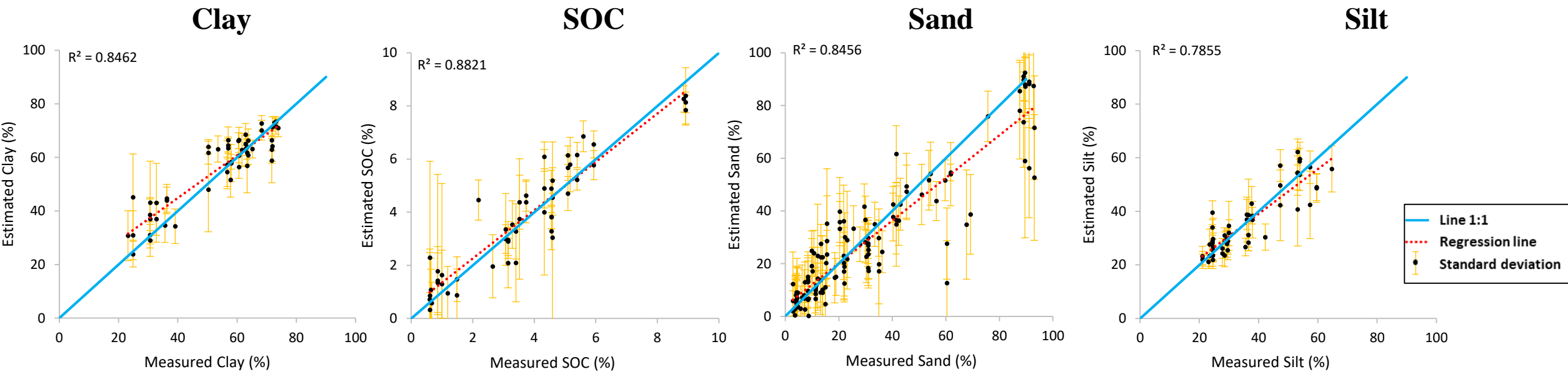
## External Parameter Orthogonalization (EPO)

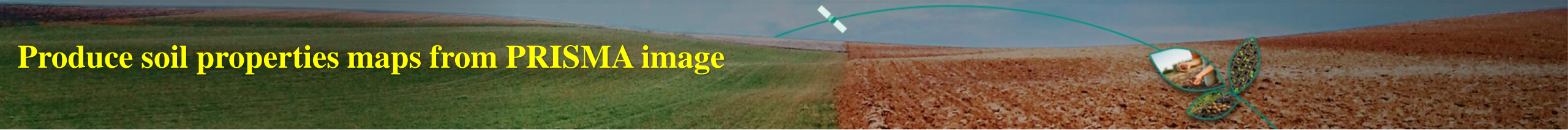


# Finding optimum preprocessing method and machine learning algorithms for PRISMA



# Produce soil properties maps from PRISMA - CHIME image

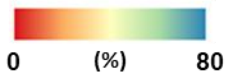
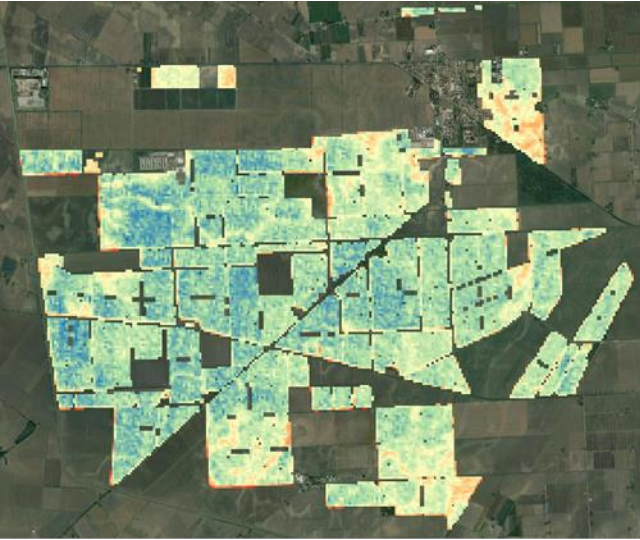




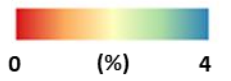
# Produce soil properties maps from PRISMA image

- 1. **Sensor:** PRISMA
- 2. **Site:** Jolanda farm
- 3. **Acquisition:** 2023/04/07

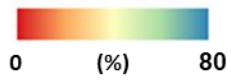
**Clay**



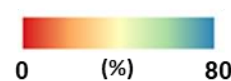
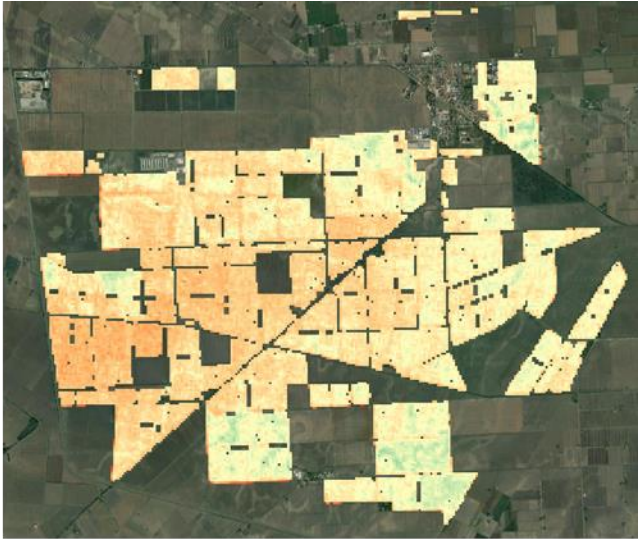
**SOC**



**Sand**



**Silt**



# Finding optimum preprocessing method and machine learning algorithms for EnMAP

## EnMAP

### Without EPO

### EPO Soil Moisture

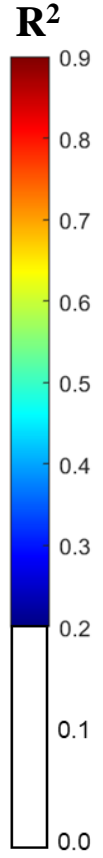
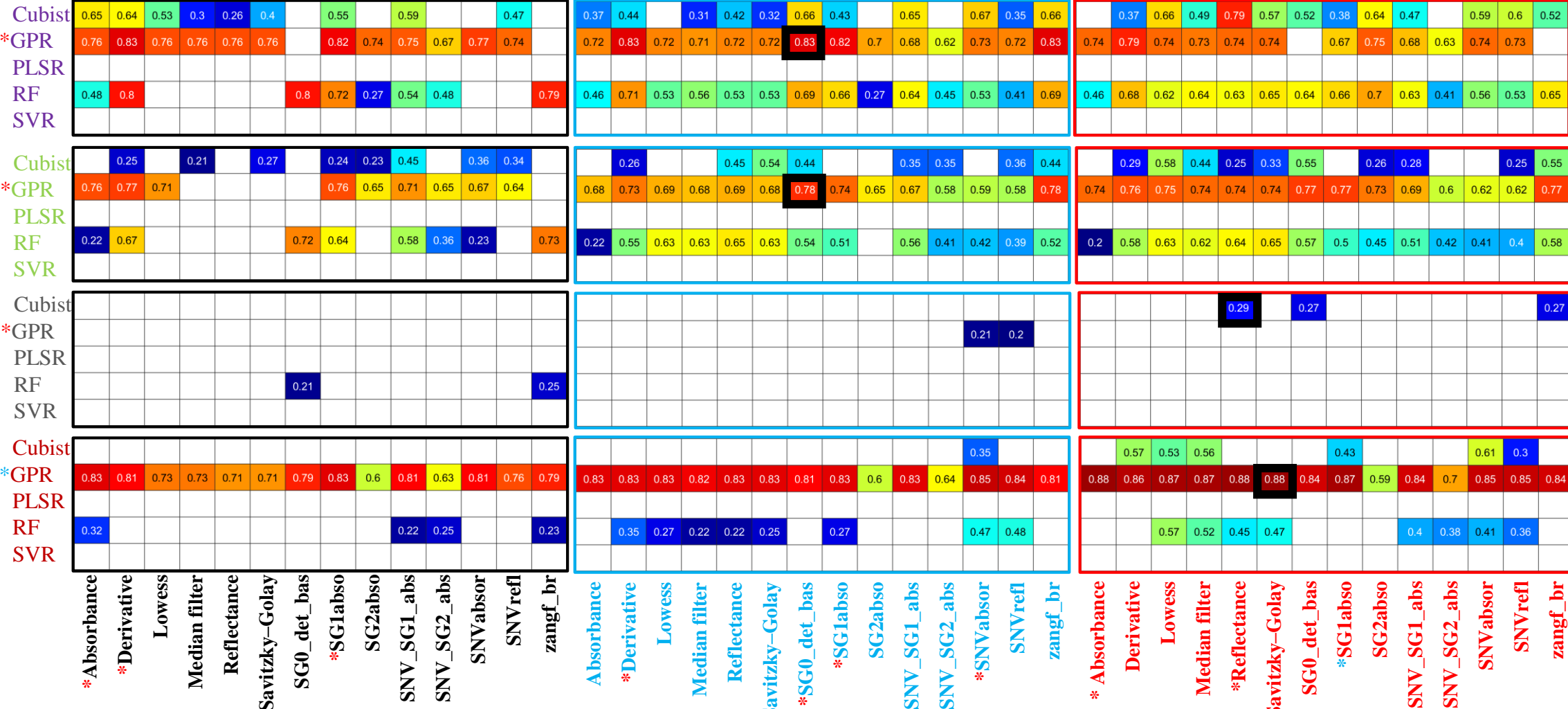
### EPO Soil Moisture and Green Vegetation

Clay

Silt

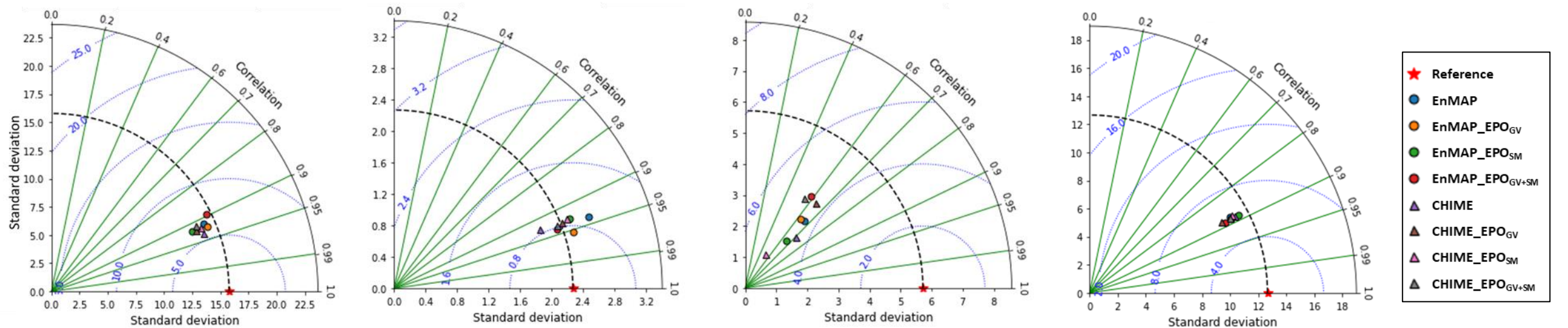
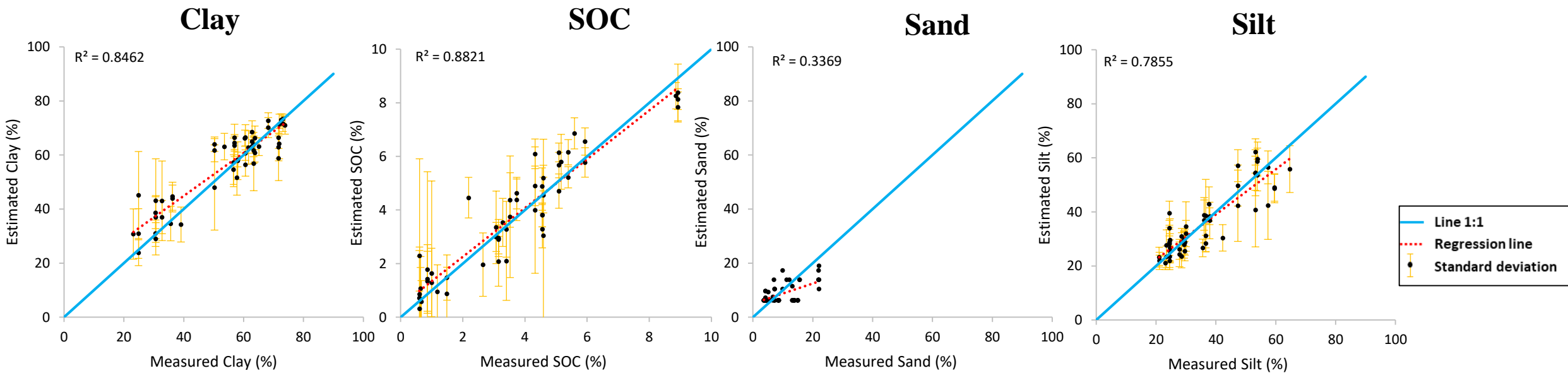
Sand

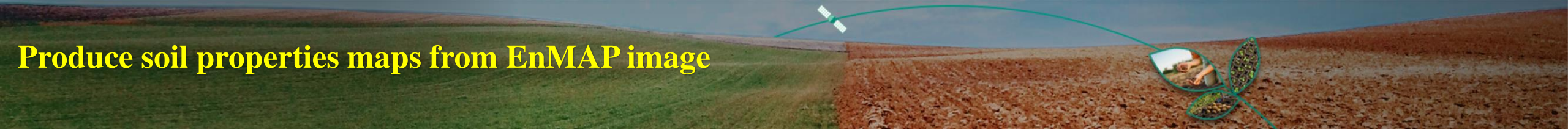
SOC





# Produce soil properties maps from EnMAP – CHIME image

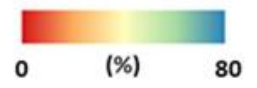




# Produce soil properties maps from EnMAP image

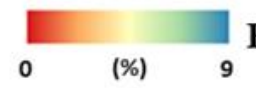
- 1. **Sensor:** EnMAP
- 2. **Site:** Jolanda farm
- 3. **Acquisition:** 2023/04/04

**Clay**



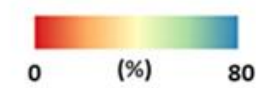
**EnMAP 2023/04/04**

**SOC**



**EnMAP 2023/04/04**

**Silt**



**EnMAP 2023/04/04**



## Conclusions

1. The combination of GPR with “MATERN” kernel, with the first order derivative of absorbance spectra smoothed by Savitzky–Golay (frame size = 7, 3th degree polynomial) seems the optimum combination both for PRISMA and EnMAP data.
2. The coupled Green Vegetation to Soil Moisture EPO leads to reduce the variation of estimated value between image acquisitions at different dates and also a slight improving in soil properties estimation.
3. MARMIT is an option to be further investigated to derive dry spectra.
4. CHIME simulated data have suitable capability for soil properties mapping, a simulator is expected. More precise simulation requires spectroscopy or airborne dataset.
5. EnMAP dataset will be completed by including more acquisitions in different sites to fill the gap of the sand data.