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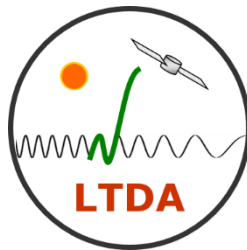
# Contribution of hyperspectral data for environmental monitoring

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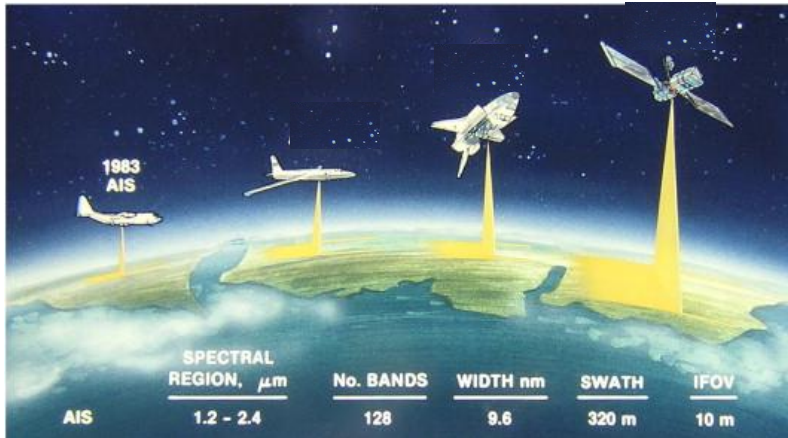
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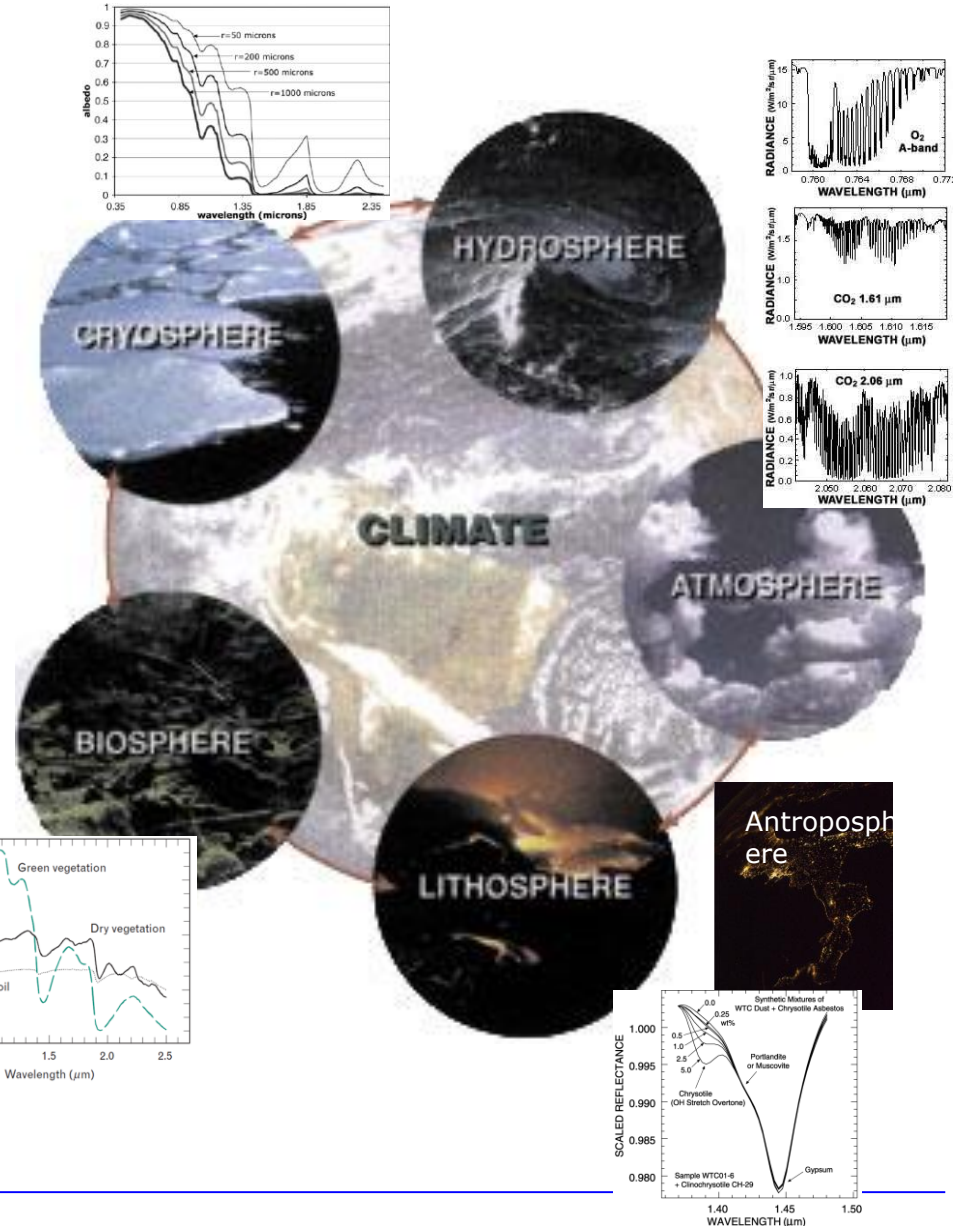
1. Hyperspectral remote sensing and environmental applications;
2. Analysis at different scale, from lab to spaceborne imaging spectroscopy missions;
3. Challenges and conclusions

# Environmental monitoring by hyperspectral data

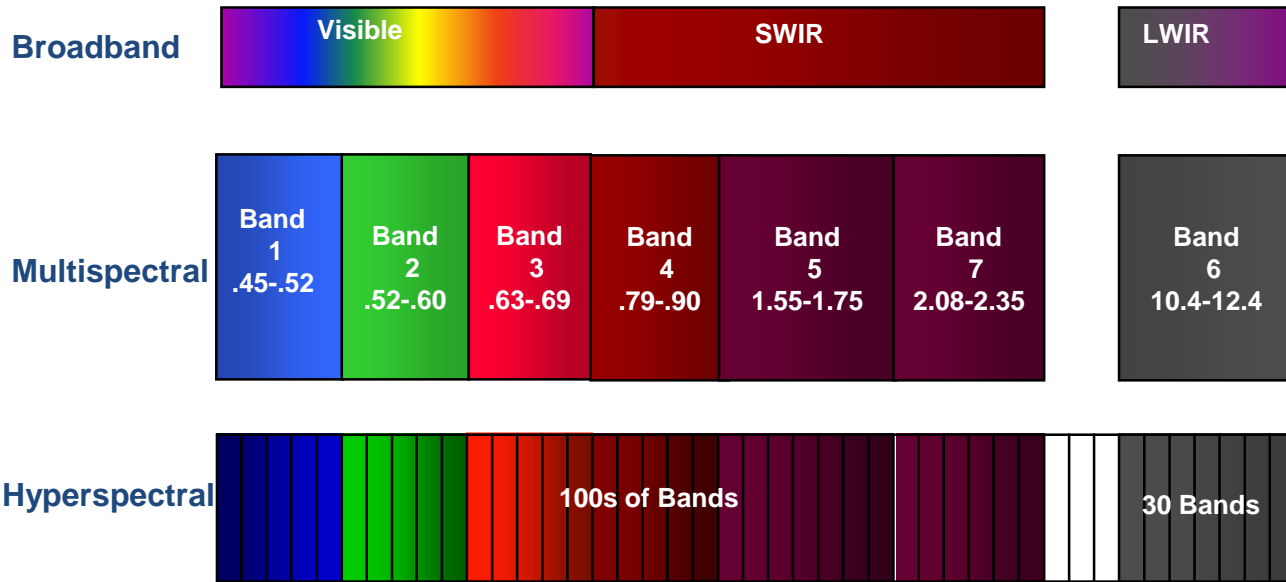
1970's from field spectral measurements in support of Landsat-1



Airborne Imaging Spectrometer (Goetz et al., 1985)




# Spectral resolution and hyperspectral domains



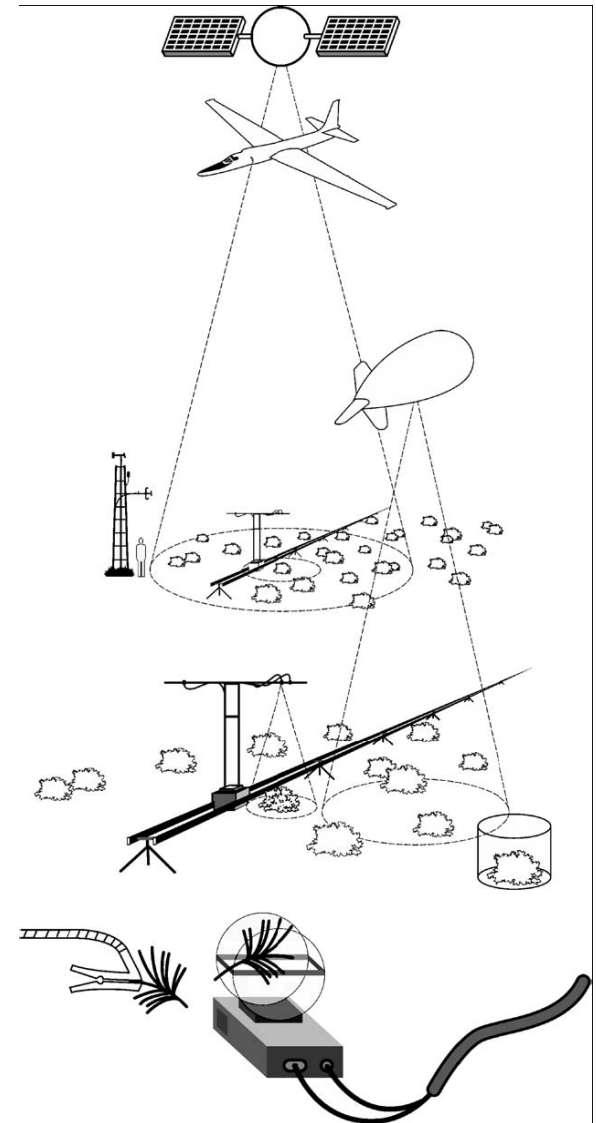
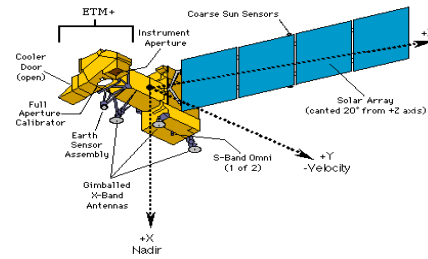
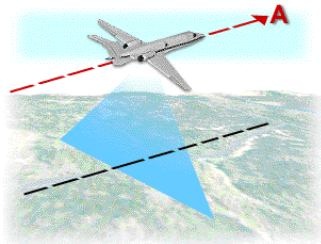
Spectral resolution *vs* spectral range *vs* spectral contiguity

- Reflected radiance VSWIR;
- Emitted radiance TIR
- Emitted radiance 670-780 nm VIS NIR

VISIBILE		VIS	~0.40 μm	~0.75 μm
INFRAROSSO	VICINO	NIR	~0.75 μm	~1.3 μm
	ONDE CORTE	SWIR	~1.3 μ	~3.0 μ
	MEDIO	MIR	~3.0 μ	~6.0 μ
	TERMICO	TIR	~6.0 μ	~15.0 μ

# Different platforms and scales of investigation

Multisource  
hyperspectral remote  
sensing



Gamon et al, 2006



# Laboratory instruments

## e.g. Hylce system

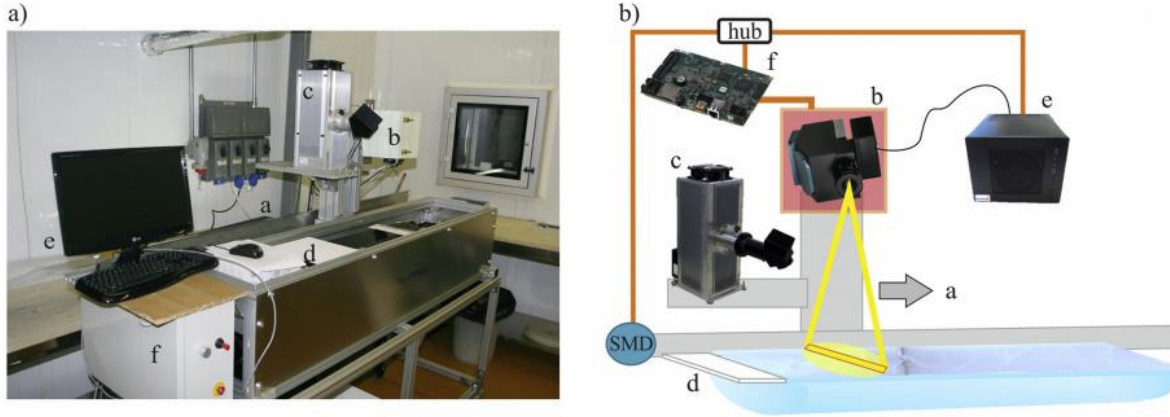
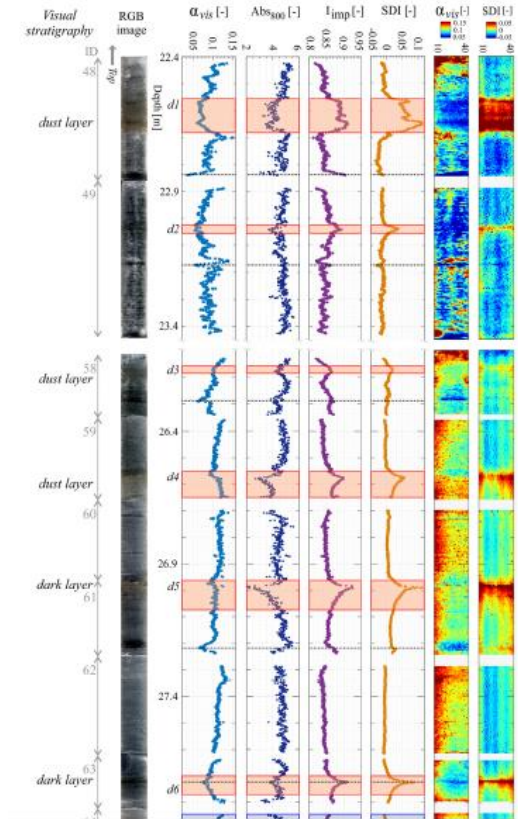
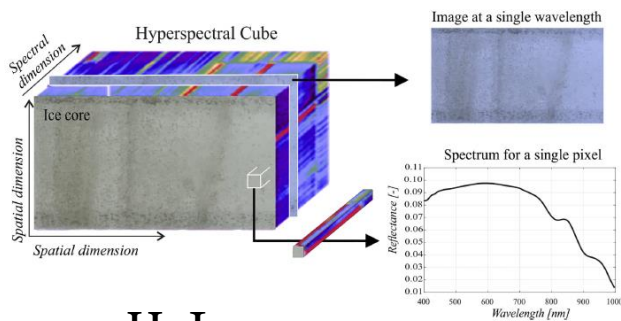


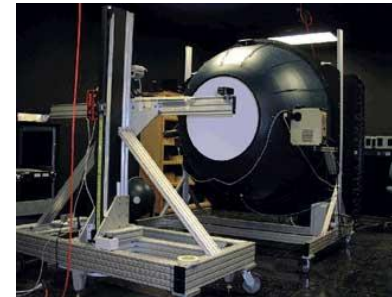
Fig. 1. Image of the Hylce system (left) and its schematic drawing (right). Hylce consists of: a) high-precision linear stage with samples holder and motor driver; b) HeadWall VNIR camera thermostated using heaters; c) stable halogen lamp that lights the surface uniformly; d) calibrated Lambertian Spectralon® panel used to calculate reflectance; e) PC connected to the spectrometer by using a dedicated interface; f) Single-Board RIO with Ethernet TCP/IP wireless connection.



## Imaging vs non imaging systems



Hylce



Reflectance and transmittance (e. g. leaf spectra)

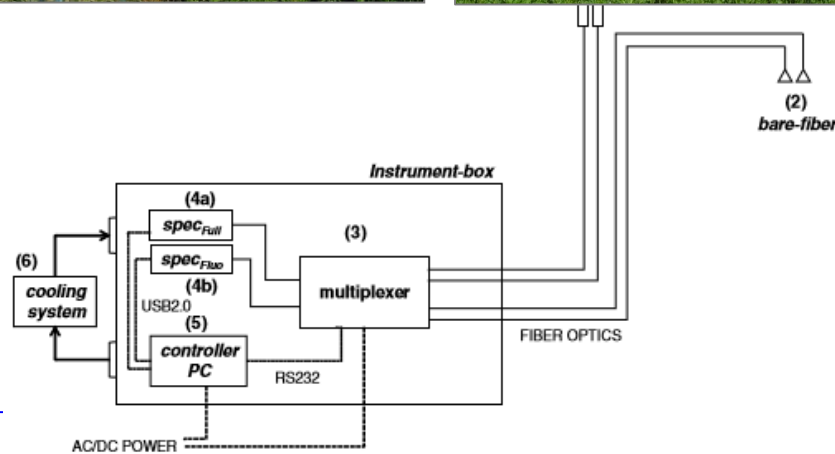
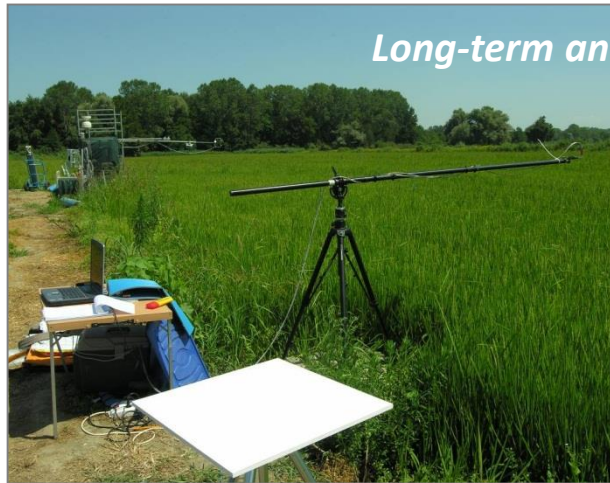
# Field spectroscopy

- *Need of automatic systems*
- *Diurnal, seasonal, dynamics vs instantaneous satellite observations*
- *Cal/Val strategies*

**Manual** spectrometric system

**MRI, Multiplexer Radiometer/Irradiometer**  
**sFLUORBOX**

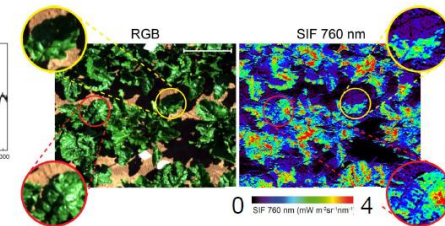
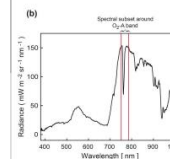
**HSI, HyperSpectral Irradiometer**



## Canopy mapping of sun-induced fluorescence



- Mapping of sun-induced fluorescence shows great spatial heterogeneity of fluorescence emission across the canopy
- Interplay of the variations of light intensity within natural canopies and the three dimensional leaf display

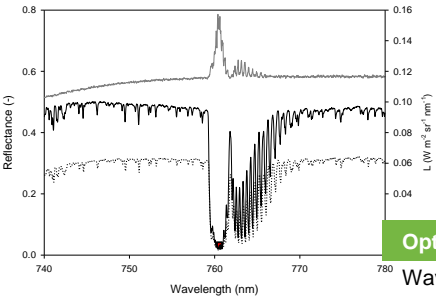


Rascher & Nedbal (2006) *Current Opinion in Plant Biology*, 9, 671-678  
Pinto et al. (2016) *Plant, Cell and Environment*, 39, 1500-1512



# Instruments for fluorescence measurements

For long term measurements of reflectance hcrf and RED and FAR-RED Sun Induced chlorophyll



*FLEX*  
reference

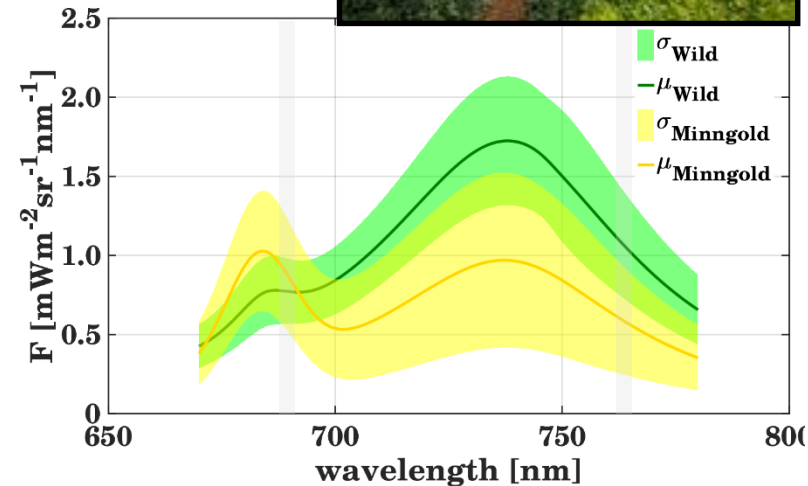


## Optic

Wavelength range	650—800 nm
Spectral Sampling Interval (SSI)	0.17 nm
Spectral resolution (FWHM)	0.3 nm
Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR)	1000
Field Of View (FOV)	Dual FOV. Upwelling radiance 25°. Downwelling radiance 180°

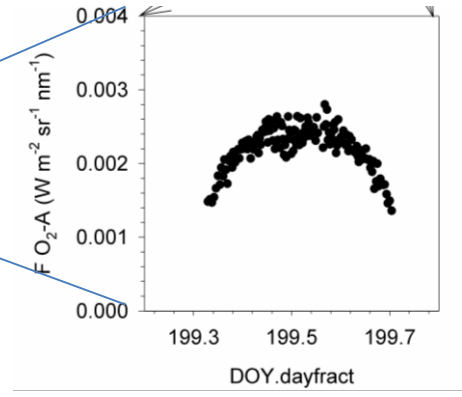
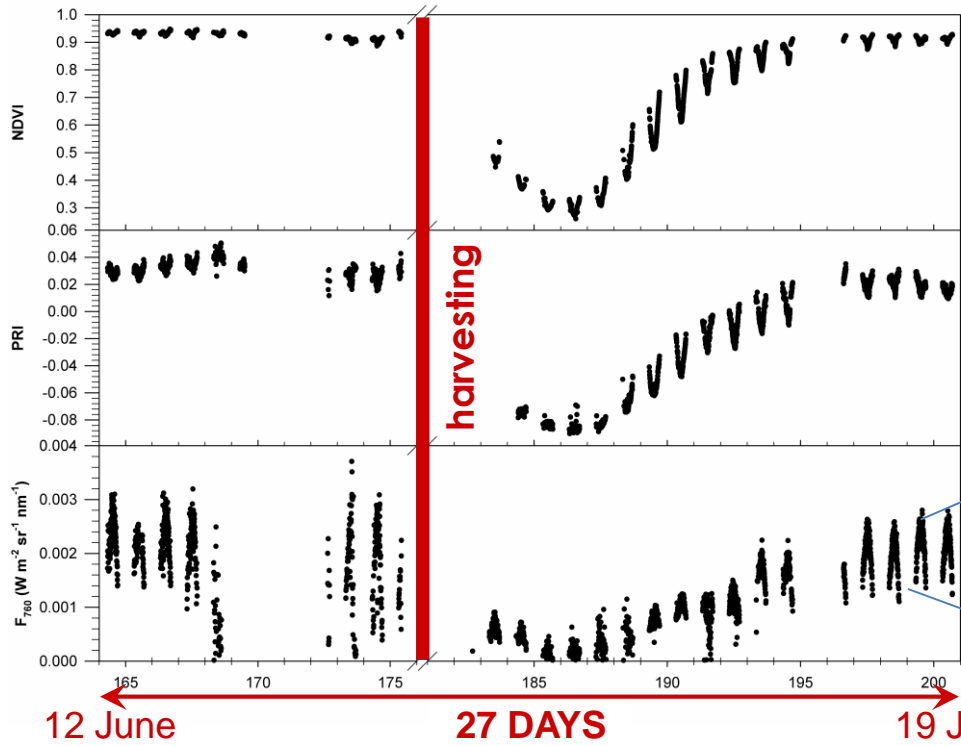
## Operational

Signal Optimization	Automatic adaption to varying light conditions
Dark current	Accurate dark current determination at each measurement cycle
Automatic acquisition	Fully autonomous measurement mode
Quick measurements	20 seconds under bright sunshine 60 s
Stability	Reference system stability check :
Simultaneous metadata	Spectrometer temperature, Outside temp
Case	Robust and Waterproof housing by
Dimension	Small form factor (50 x 30 x 20 cm) st
Power supply	12 Volt. From battery a
Power consumption	Average consumption of 60 Watt. (2)





# Example of time series from automatic systems



- diurnal and seasonal variability (alfa-alfa)
- a new tool for environmental monitoring
- cal/val context, vicarious calibrations vs product validations

# Hyperspectral UAV: spatial vs temporal domain

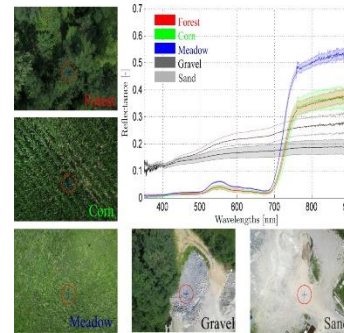
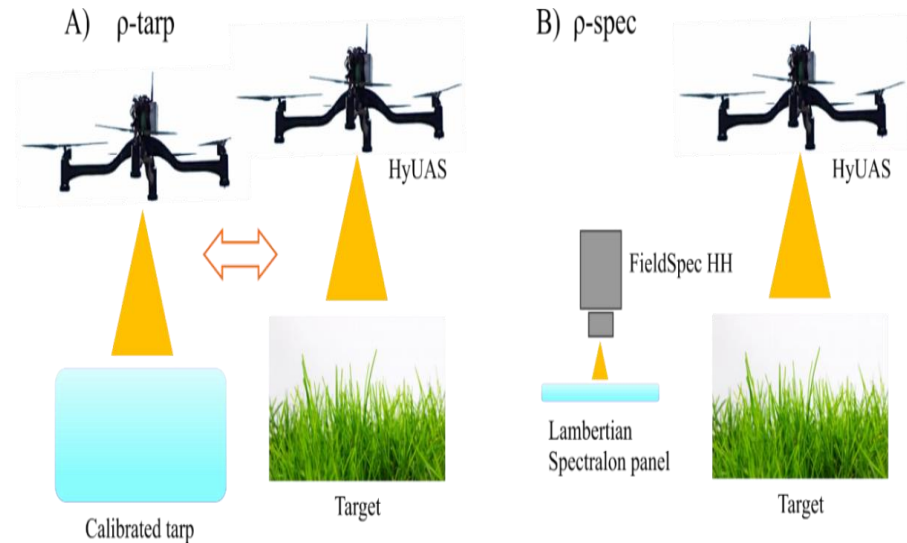
## e.g. HyUAS system

### Anteos platform

- Four-rotor platform with hovering capability, maximum payload of 2 Kg and flight time of 20 min
- Global Position System (GPS) coupled with the Inertial Movement Unit (IMU)
- Radio connection to the ground control station

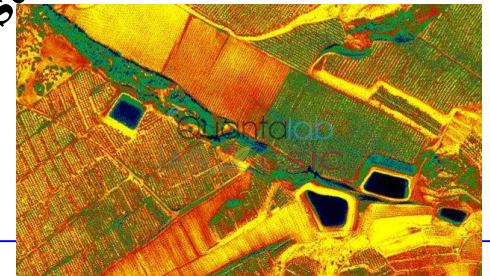
### Optical payload

- RGB digital camera (Canon S100)
- Ocean Optics USB4000 VNIR non-imaging spectrometer (350 -1000nm, 1.0 nm FWHM, 16bit)
- DC from shutter



Garzonio et al., 2017

Non imaging vs imaging systems



Credit P. Zarco-Tejada

# Field and airborne instruments and campaigns

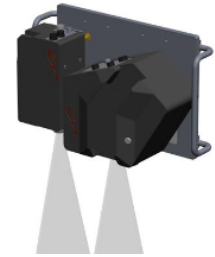


**Field spectroscopy**

## HyPlant: a novel high performance spectrometer to measure sun-induced chlorophyll fluorescence

Module 1: Imaging spectrometer (380 – 2500 nm) with 3 nm (VIS) and 10nm (SWIR) spectral resolution; 1-3 meters spatial resolution

Module 2: Fluorescence module (670 – 780 nm) with 0.25 nm (FWHM)



*Rascher et al., 2015*



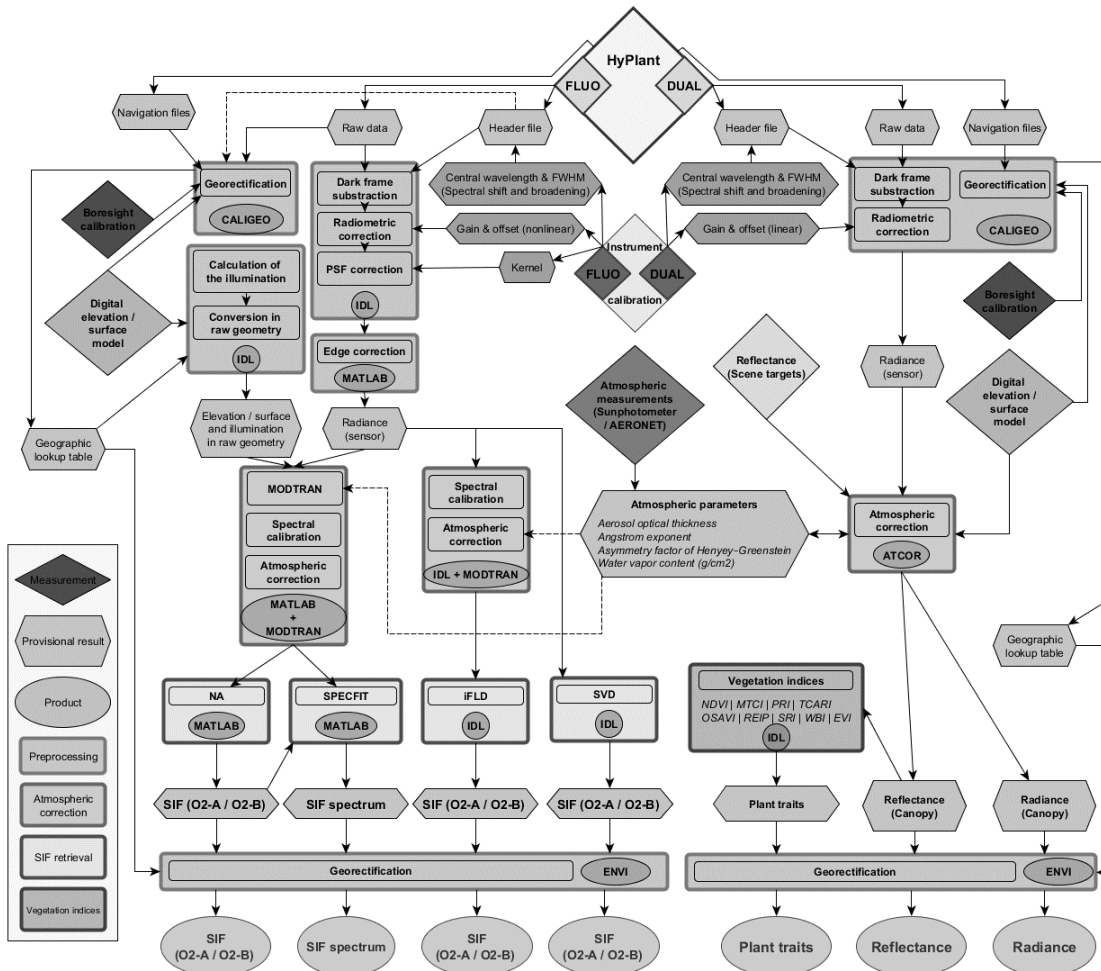
**Airborne imaging spectroscopy**

O2-A and O2-B

...now using also FL (The Chlorophyll Fluorescence Imaging Spectrometer CFIS, Frankenberg et al., 2018)

.....beside current optical and thermal sensors

# Processing chain. Level and Products

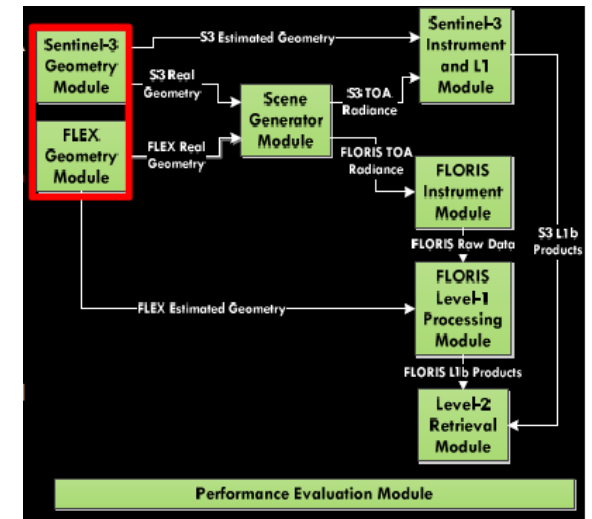


## HyPlant example

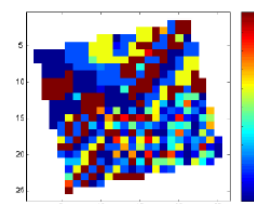
- Different algorithms and products

## FLEX example

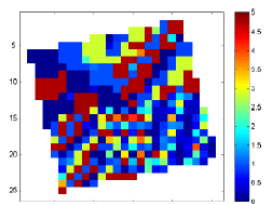
- Different sensors – E2E



LAI reference



LAI retrieved



Credit HYPER Project (ESA)



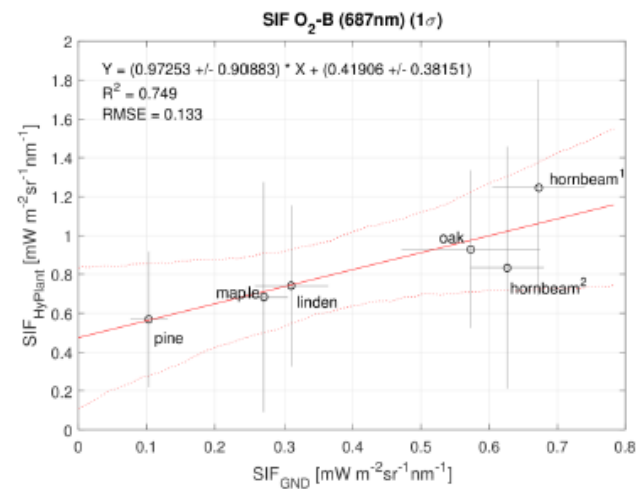
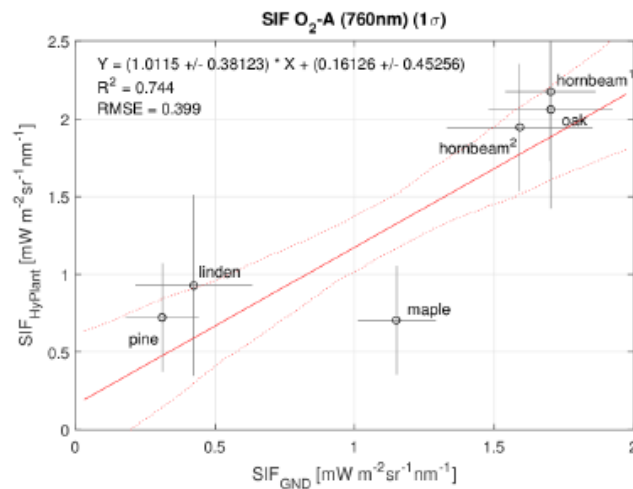
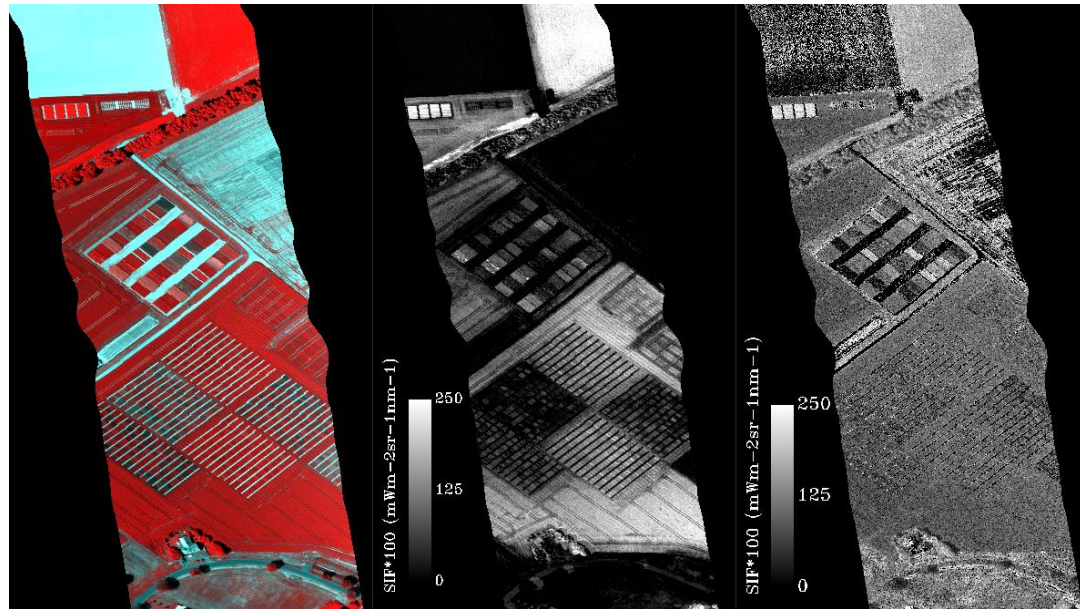


# HyPlant reflectance and fluorescence

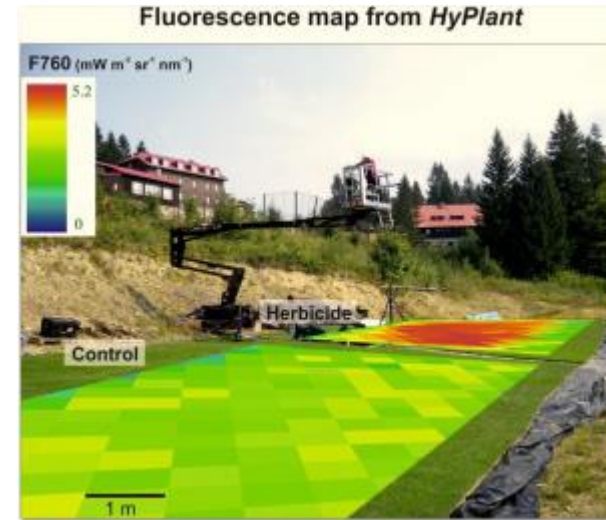
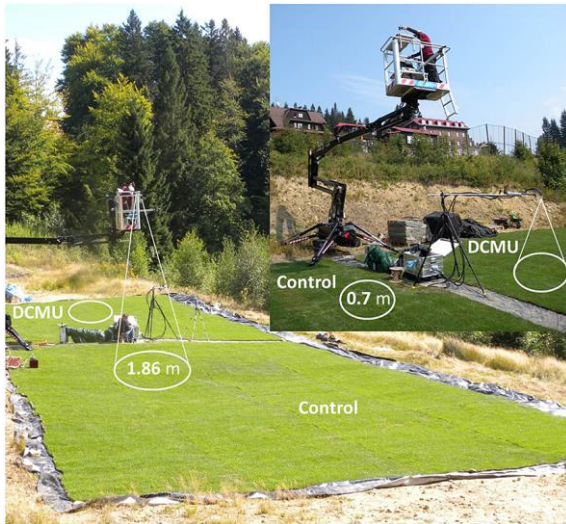
RGB false color

760 nm

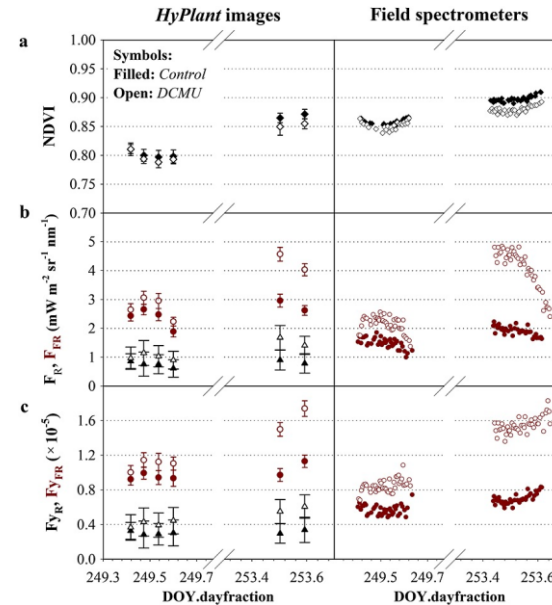
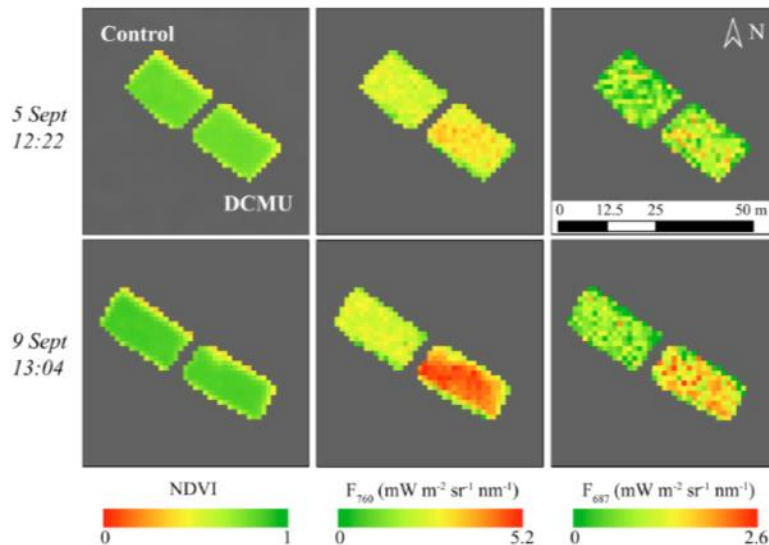
687 nm



# Ground and airborne experiments



Rossini et al., 2015



# Hyperspectral campaign in 2018

## *Different activities in the context of future space imaging spectroscopy missions*

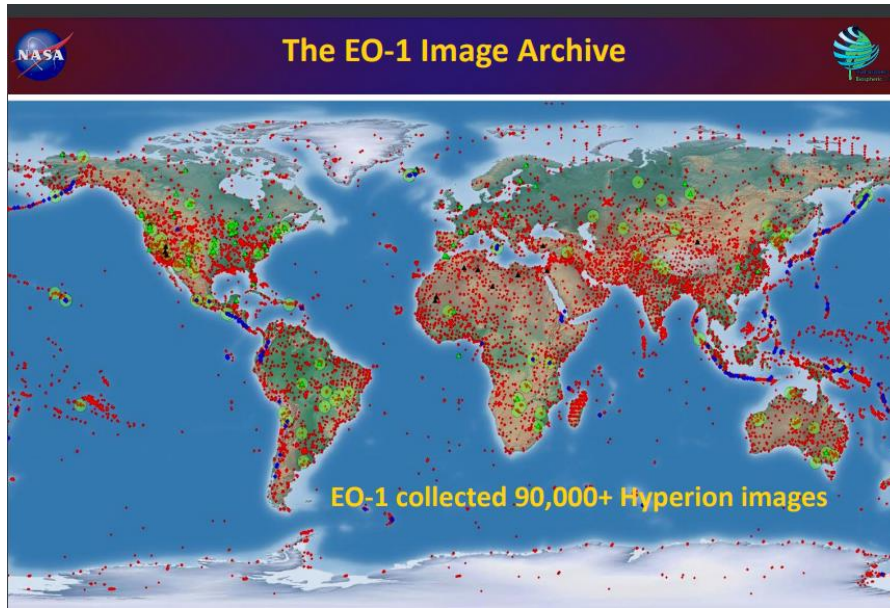
The screenshot shows the AVIRIS-NG Data Portal interface. On the left, there are search filters for Flight Acquisition Parameters, including Year (2014-2018), Month (1-12), Day (1-31), Pixel Size (0.1-26.5), Rotation (-90 to 90), Solar Elevation (0-90), and Solar Azimuth (0-360). Below these are text input fields for Flight Name, Site Name, Comments, and Investigator, each with a 'CONTAINS' label and a search icon. A 'Data Products Filter' section is also visible. On the right, a map shows the distribution of data collection sites (red dots) across North America, Europe, and parts of Asia. The map includes labels for various countries and regions like Groenlandia, Islanda, Svezia, Norvegia, etc. There are also buttons for 'Mappa' and 'Satellite' views, and a 'Toggle All AVIRIS-NG' button.



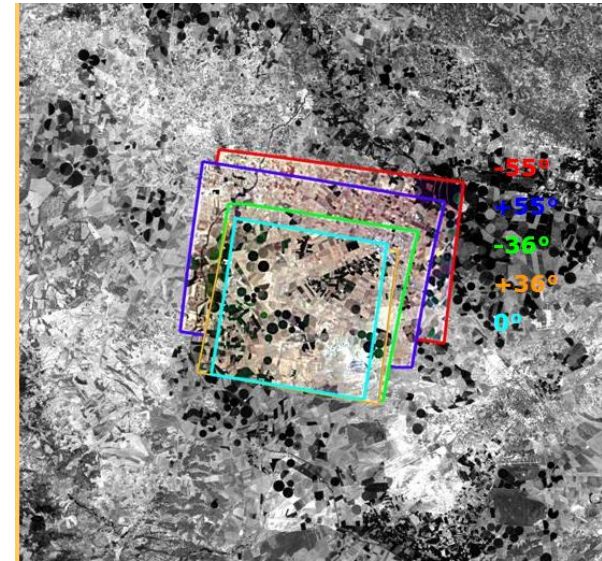


# Hyperspectral imaging spectrometry heritage

ESA's Proba-1/CHRIS  
NASA EO-1 Hyperion



Credit E. Middleton



*Hyperspectral atmospheric chemistry missions (e. g. OCO-2, S-5 TROPOMI)*

SATELLITE PAYLOAD		CONTRIBUTION TO GMES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•TROPOMI: UV-VIS-NIR-SWIR push-broom grating spectrometer.</li> <li>•Spectral range: 270-500 nm, 675-775 nm, 2305-2385 nm</li> <li>•Spectral Resolution: 0.25-1.0 nm</li> <li>•Observation Mode: Nadir, global daily coverage, ground pixel 7x7km<sup>2</sup> at nadir</li> <li>•Orbit: Sun synchronous, 824 km, 13:30 hr dayside equator crossing time.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•O<sub>3</sub>: total and tropospheric column, profile</li> <li>•NO<sub>2</sub>: tropospheric and total column</li> <li>•SO<sub>2</sub>: total column</li> <li>•H<sub>2</sub>O: total column</li> <li>•BrO: total column</li> <li>•CO: total column</li> <li>•CH<sub>4</sub>: total column</li> </ul> <p><i>Not a Fluorescence product</i></p>

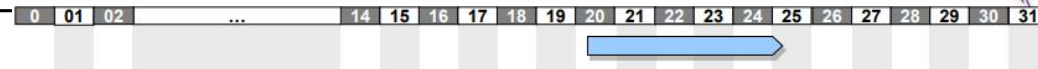


# PRISMA and EnMAP missions

Swath / FOV / IFOV	30 km / 2.77° / 48 µrad
Ground Sampling Distance (GSD)	Hyperspectral: 30 m / PAN: 5 m
Spectral Range	VNIR: 400 – 1010 nm (66 spectral bands) SWIR: 920 – 2505 nm (173 spectral bands) PAN : 400 – 700 nm
Spectral Width (FWHM)	≤ 12 nm
Radiometric Quantization	12 bits
VNIR SNR	> 200:1
SWIR SNR	> 100:1
PAN SNR	> 240:1
Absolute Radiometric Accuracy	5%
MTF@ Nyquist freq.	VNIR/SWIR along track > 0.18 VNIR/SWIR across track > 0.34 PAN along track > 0.10 / PAN across track > 0.20
Co-registration (Keystone, Smile)	≤ 0.1 pixel
Thermal Control System	Double stage passive radiator (1 for each channel) + stabilization heater
Mass	Optical Head: 175kg Thermal Shield: 25kg Main Electronics: 11kg
Power Consumption	Earth Observation /calibration: 90W Idle: 80W



## EnMAP (Germany)



*Credit PRISMA Science team*

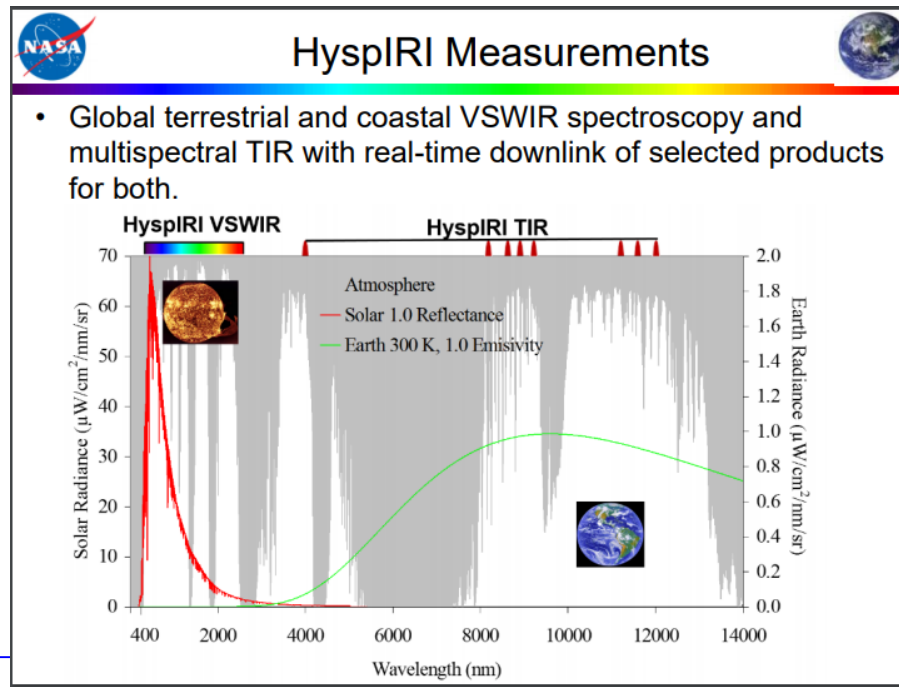
Parameter	Value
Mission	Germany's first hyperspectral Earth observing satellite mission, scientific path finder mission for later operational services, for environmental monitoring, process understanding
Spectral Range	420 nm – 1000 nm (VNIR), 900 nm – 2450 nm (SWIR)
Bandwidth	6.5 nm ± 1.25 nm (VNIR), 10 nm ± 2.50 nm (SWIR)
No of Bands	98 bands (VNIR), 130 bands (SWIR)
Spatial Resolution	30 m
Swath	30 km
Orbit	Sun-Synchronous at 653 km
Revisit	≤ 4 days (± 30° off-nadir tilt) and ≤ 21 days (± 5° off-nadir tilt)
Special features	Mission fully funded
Link	<a href="http://www.enmap.org">www.enmap.org</a> <a href="http://www.grs-ieee.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/hyperspectral_igarss_sessions/05_2017-07-24_IGARSS17_EnMAP_FINAL.pdf">http://www.grs-ieee.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/hyperspectral_igarss_sessions/05_2017-07-24_IGARSS17_EnMAP_FINAL.pdf</a>
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# NASA missions

## Recommended NASA Priorities: Designated

TARGETED OBSERVABLE	SCIENCE/APPLICATIONS SUMMARY	CANDIDATE MEASUREMENT APPROACH	Designated	Explorer	Incubation
Surface Biology & Geology	Earth surface geology and biology, ground/water temperature, snow reflectivity, active geologic processes, vegetation traits and algal biomass	Hyperspectral imagery in the visible and shortwave infrared, multi- or hyperspectral imagery in the thermal IR	X		



*Combining  
VSWIR  
and TIR*

*Credit HyspIRI  
Science team*

# Desis and EMIT missions

<https://www.dlr.de/os/en/desktopdefault.aspx/tabid-12923/>

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DLR Earth Sensing Imaging Spectrometer (DESI)

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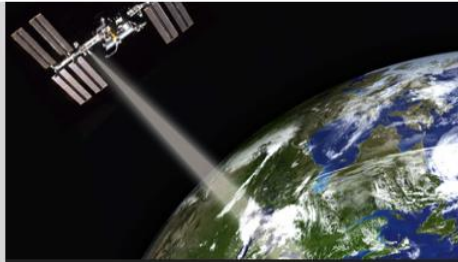
... is an advanced hyperspectral instrument for the Multiple User System for Earth Sensing (MUSES) platform by Teledyne Brown Engineering (TBE) on Board of the International Space Station (ISS). With a minimum of optical components the robust and compact optical design covers the visible and near-infrared regions of the electromagnetic spectrum at a high resolution. The mechanical and optical characteristics qualify DESIS for applications like farming, forestry, land cover analysis and multitemporal environmental monitoring. Data will be jointly provided by TBE and DLR to serve commercial and scientific partners starting in 2018.

About DESIS

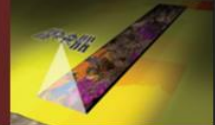
DESI on ISS

DESI design

DESI Applications and Aims



## EMIT: Earth Surface Mineral Dust Source Investigation



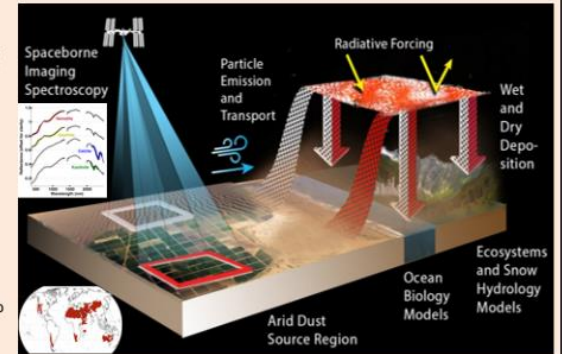
### Challenge:

- Mineral dust radiative forcing is the single largest uncertainty in aerosol direct radiative forcing (USGCRP & IPCC)
- Mineral dust emitted from the surface is a principal contributor to direct radiative forcing over arid regions, impacting agriculture, precipitation, and desert encroachment around the globe
- Composition is critical: a change of 1% in relative abundance of iron oxide can cause a ~50% change in radiative forcing
- The composition of the Earth's mineral dust source regions is poorly known

### Hypotheses Tested by EMIT:

- The net contribution of mineral dust to regional and global radiative forcing is to warm the atmosphere (positive forcing)
- The impact of mineral dust on regional precipitation and radiative forcing will promote the expansion of dust source regions

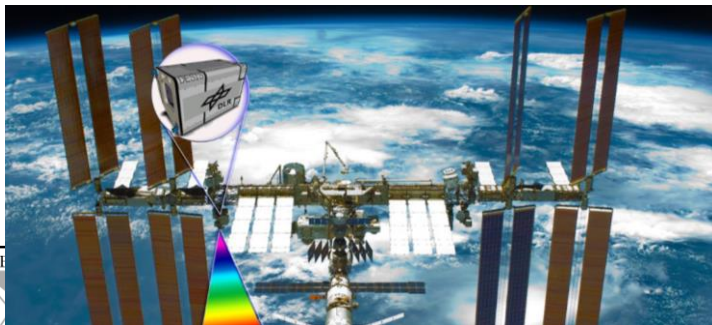
### Measuring the Earth's Mineral Dust Source Regions to Improve Forecasts of the Impacts of Dust on the Earth System



## Sahara Mineral Dust on Snow in Europe March 2018



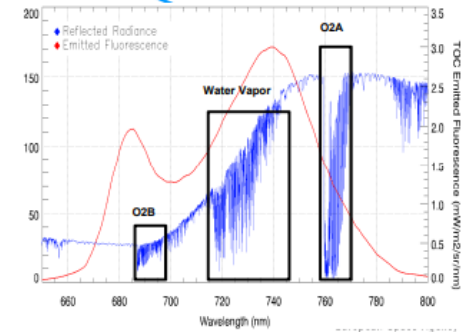
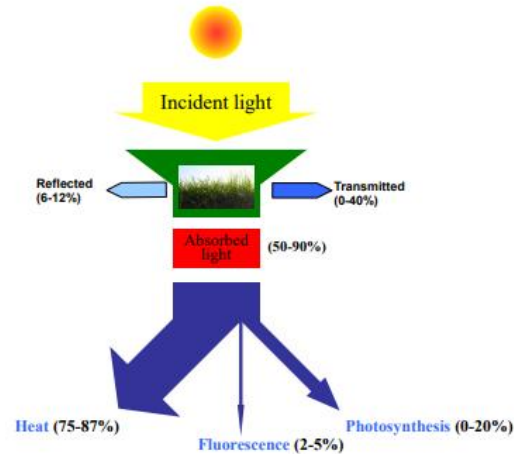
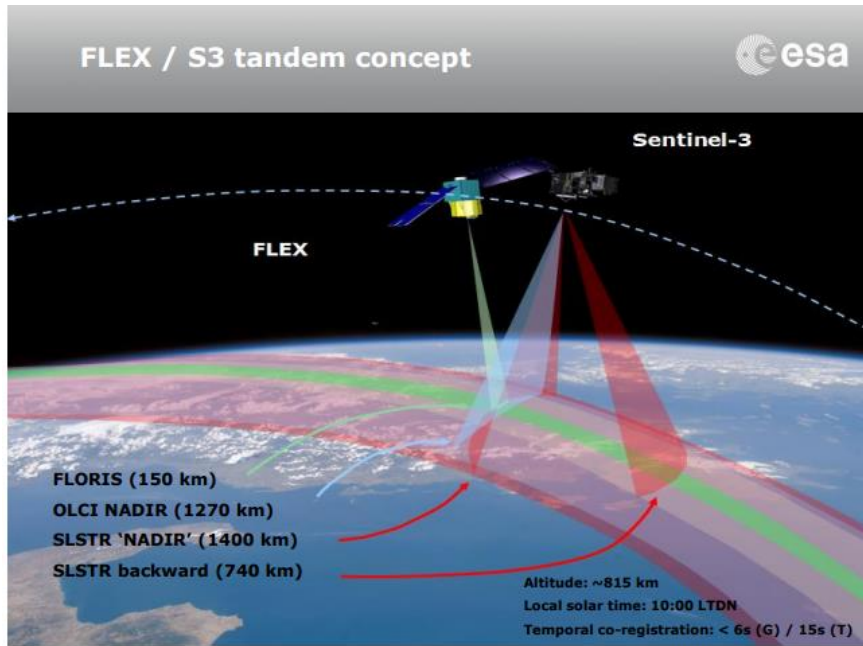
Both on ISS +



San Piero a Grado,, 21 Settembre 2018

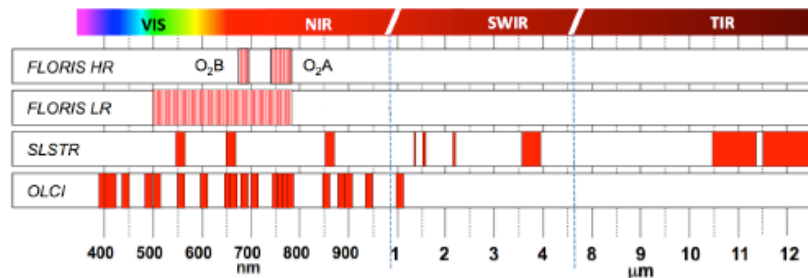


# ESA Earth Explorer programme – FLEX mission



**Table 1**  
Technical characteristics of the FLORIS spectra in terms of spectral resolution (SR), spectral sampling interval (SSI), and signal to noise ratio (SNR) for the different spectral regions.

Spectral region	Visible	SIF <sub>red</sub>					SIF <sub>far-red</sub>		
$\lambda$ (nm)	500–677	677–686	686–697	697–740	740–755	755–759	759–762	762–769	769–780
SR (nm)	3.0	0.6	0.3	2.0	0.7			0.3	0.7
SSI (nm)	2.0	0.5	0.1	0.65	0.5			0.1	0.5
SNR	245	340	175	425	Linear from 510 to 1015	1015	115	Linear from 115 to 455	1015



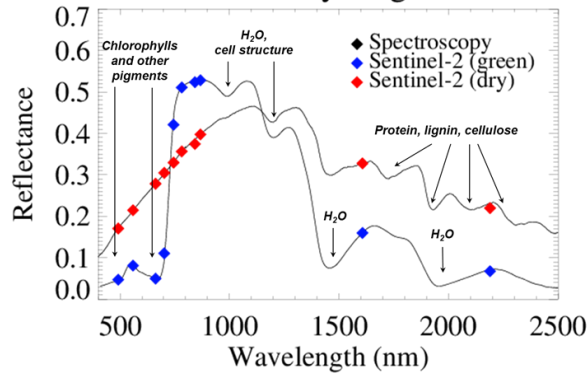


# CHIME mission

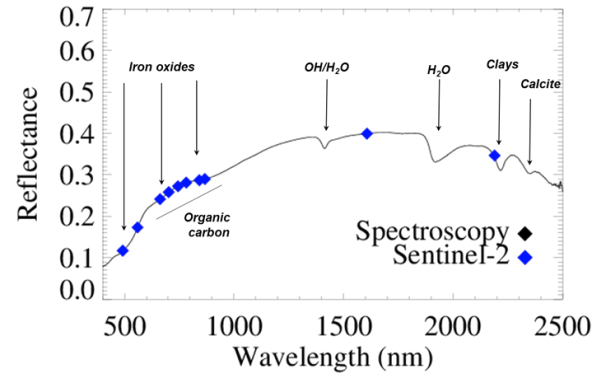


## Copernicus Hyperspectral Imaging Mission (CHIME)

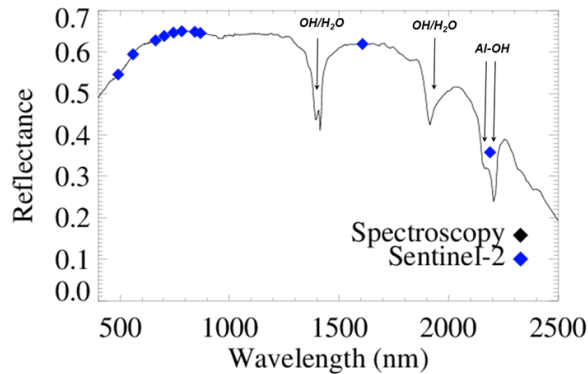
Green & Dry Vegetation



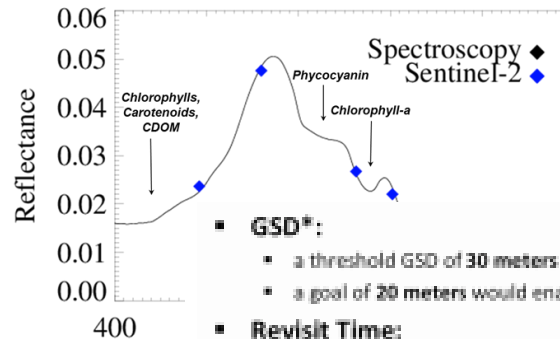
Soil



Kaolinite



Water



- **GSD\*:**
  - a threshold GSD of **30 meters** is compliant with most of the UR
  - a goal of **20 meters** would enable additional relevant URs
- **Revisit Time:**
  - a threshold of **28 days** is compliant with most of the UR
  - given the relevance of specific URs (e.g. Agriculture/Food Security), a goal of **15 days** should be achieved
- **Spectral Ranges:**
  - VNIR and SWIR, spanning from **400 nm to 2500 nm** resulted the key spectral ranges needed for almost all URs
- **Spectral resolution:**
  - **10 nanometres** is the best choice enabling almost all identified URs
- **Signal-to-Noise Ratio (GSD=30m,  $p=0.3$ , SZA=30°):**
  - VNIR: threshold=400:1, goal 600:1; @ 650 nm
  - SWIR: threshold=300:1, goal 300:1; @ 2100 nm

Observational Parameters	Threshold	Goal
GSD	30 meters	20 meters



# Microsatellite missions

HyperScout is a miniaturized hyperspectral imager to operate upon nano, micro and larger satellites.

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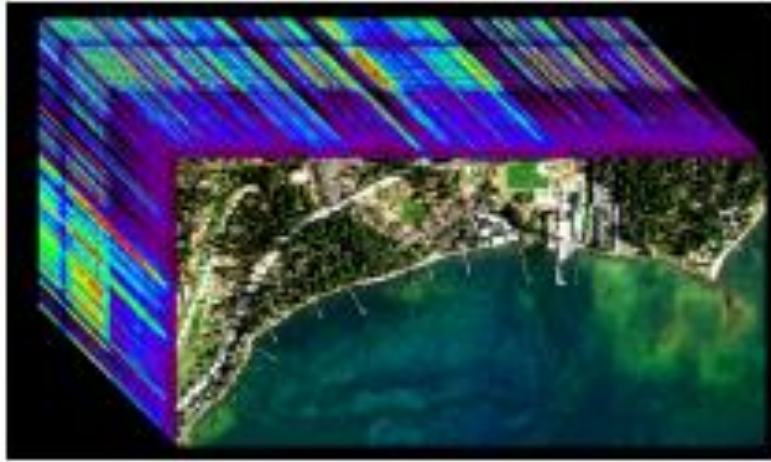
PRODUCT SPECS



## HyperScout® specification

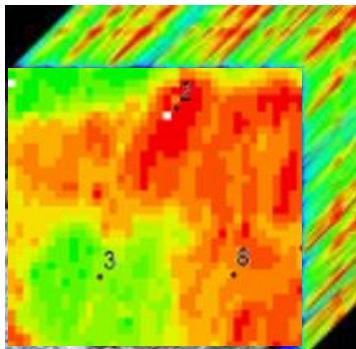
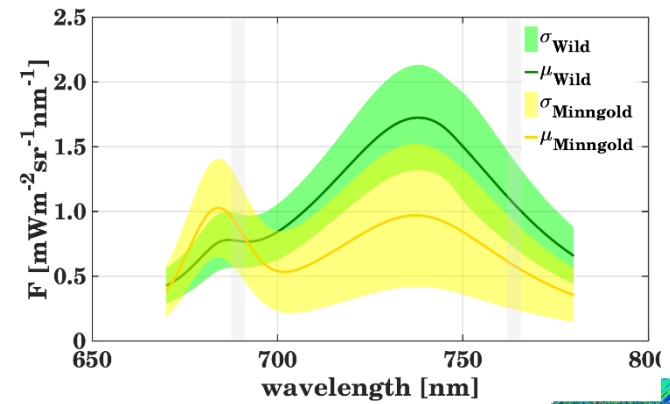
HyperScout®		
Orbit	500 km	
FoV (ACT x ALT)	31° (23°) x 16°	
GSD	~ 70 m	
Swath	350 km (220 km)	
Active Resolution	~ 4000 x 2000 px	
Spectral range (res)	High res	470 – 900 nm (5 nm)
	Ext. range	400 – 1000 nm (~14 nm)
Dynamic range	up to 12 bits	
SNR	50 - 100	
Mass	1.3 kg	
Volume	1.5 L	
Avg Power	10 W	

# Hyperspectral cubes

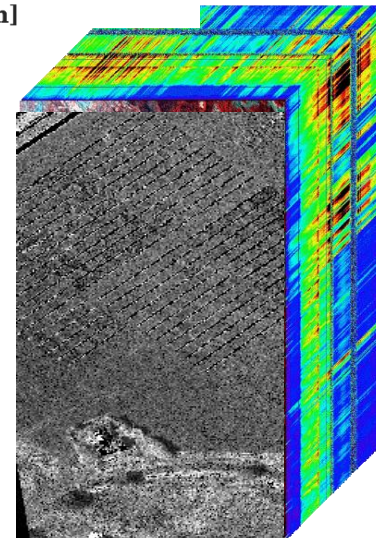
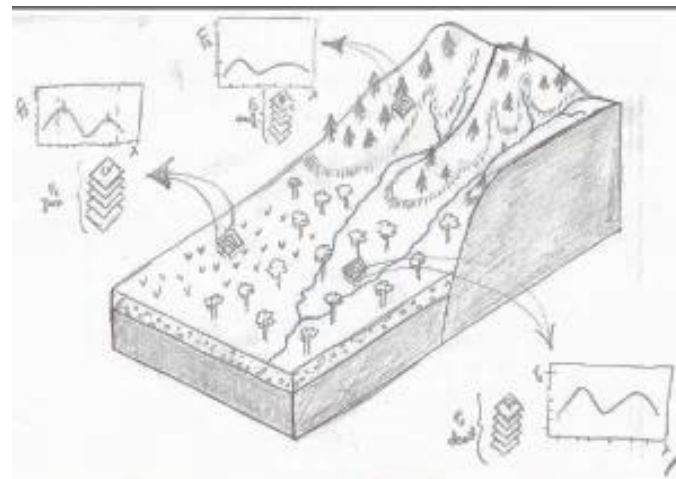


Reflectance (400-2500nm)

## Fluorescence (670-780 nm)

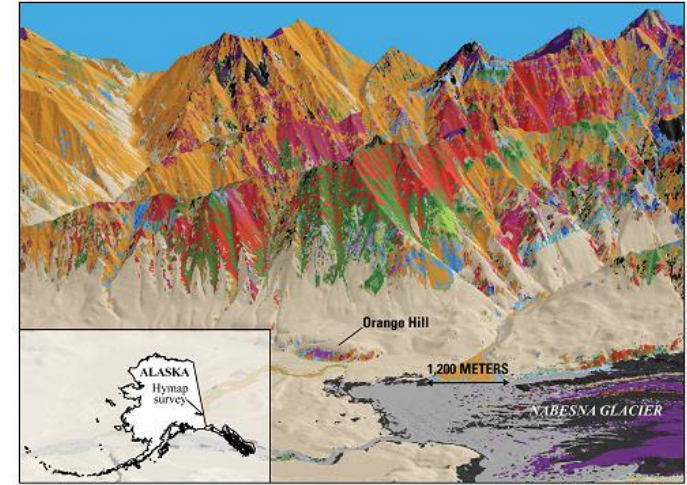
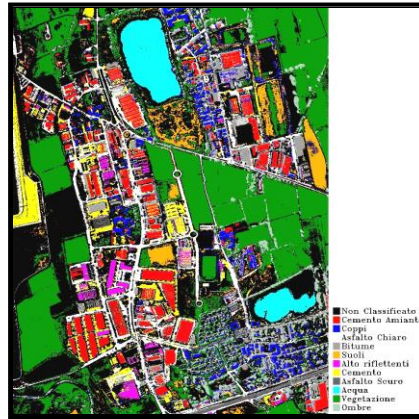
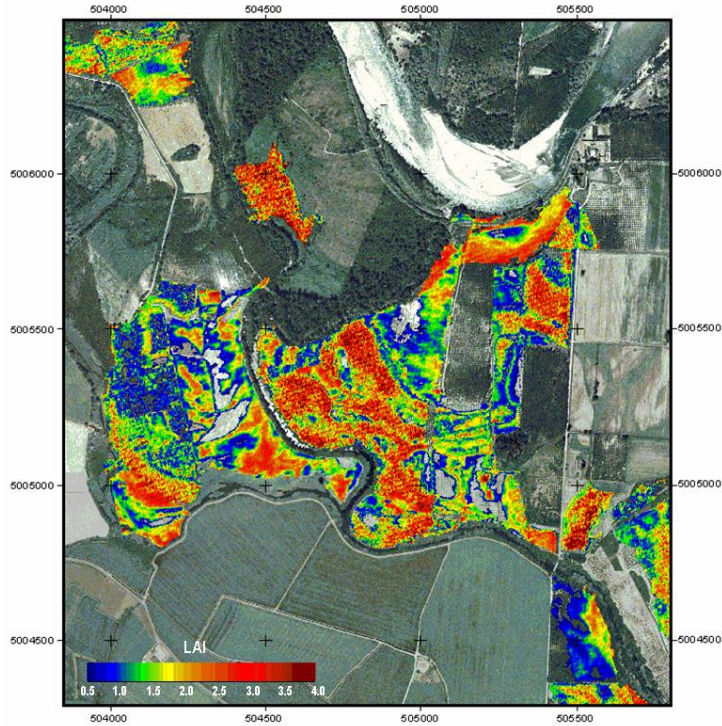


Emissivity/TIR reflectance  
(8-11  $\mu\text{m}$ )





# Environmental benefits

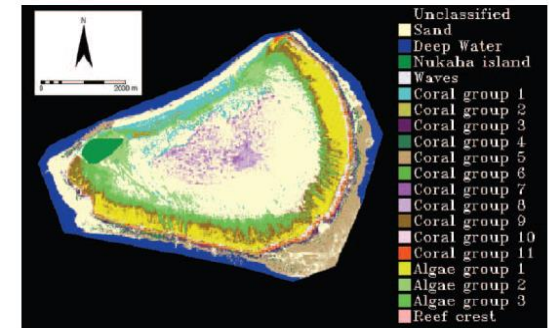
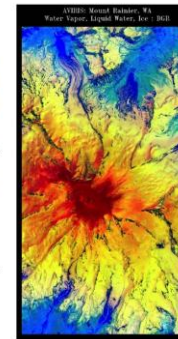
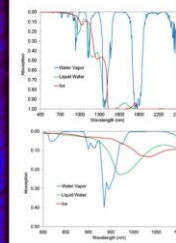
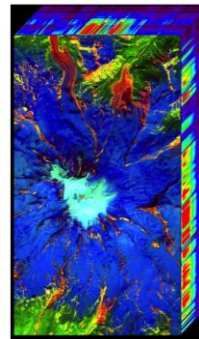


**EXPLANATION**  
Material class names

■ Muscovite/illite	■ Calcite	■ Kaolinite + muscovite
■ Chlorite + muscovite	■ Pyrophyllite	■ Serpentine
■ Muscovite/montmorillonite	■ Kaolinite	■ Serpentine or dolomite
■ Chlorite	■ Pyrophyllite + kaolinite	■ Carbonate (iron-bearing)
		■ Gypsum
		■ Vegetation
		■ Snow or ice
		■ Not classified



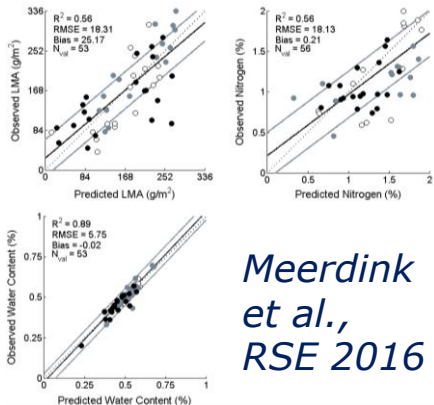
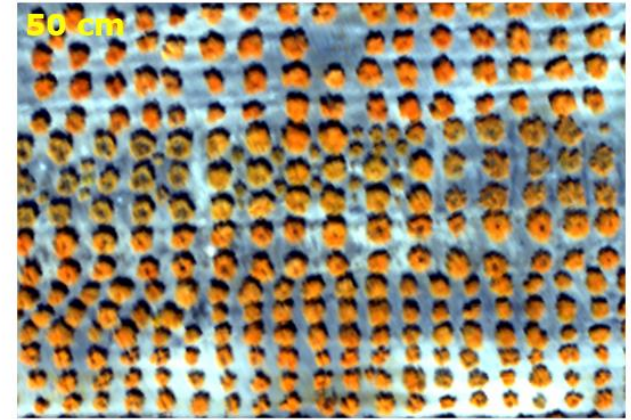
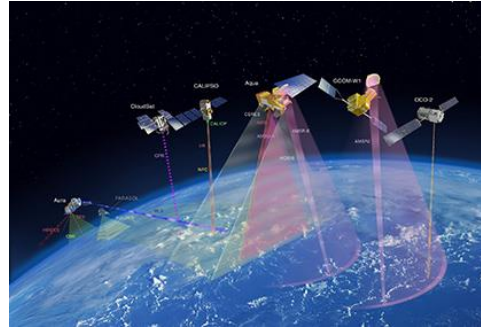
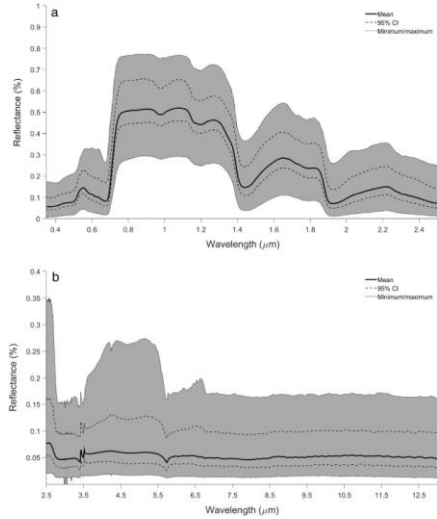
■ Alfalfa	■ Barley	■ Oat Hay	■ Chico/Pasture
■ Canola	■ Potato	■ Spinach	■ nothing mapped



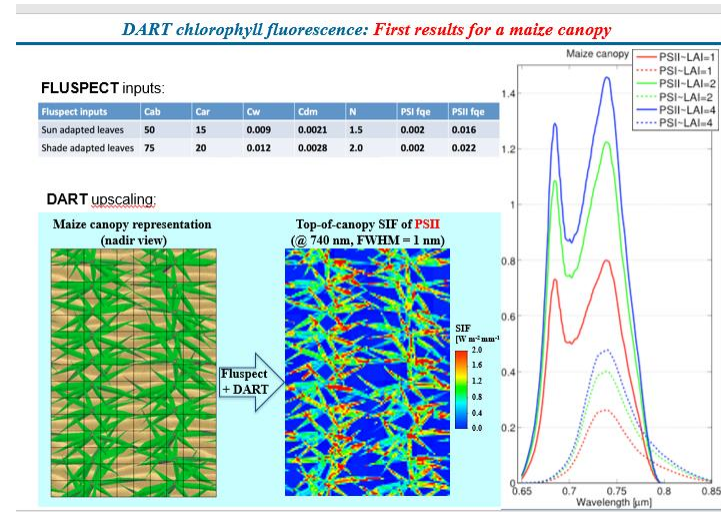
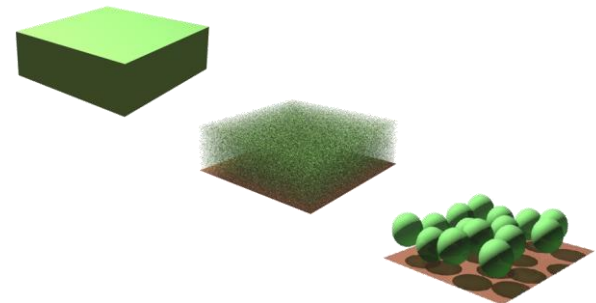


# Cubes integration, model developments, spaial details, temporal assimilation, data processing and synergies with other EO

## Current challenges



Meerdink et al., RSE 2016



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# Conclusions

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- ❑ Hyperspectral data, point or imaging systems are essential for improving environmental modelling;
- ❑ The combination of multiplatforms data allow to understand the accuracy of the retrieved variable;
- ❑ Integration of VIS-NIR-SWIR-TIR data permit to improve the estimation of biophysical parameter;
- ❑ A new era of spaceborne imaging spectroscopy system is just started



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