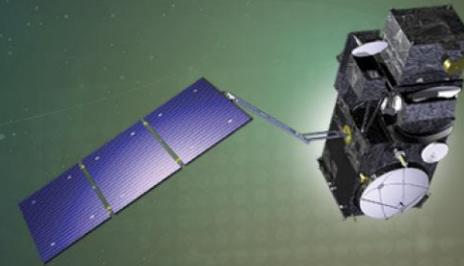




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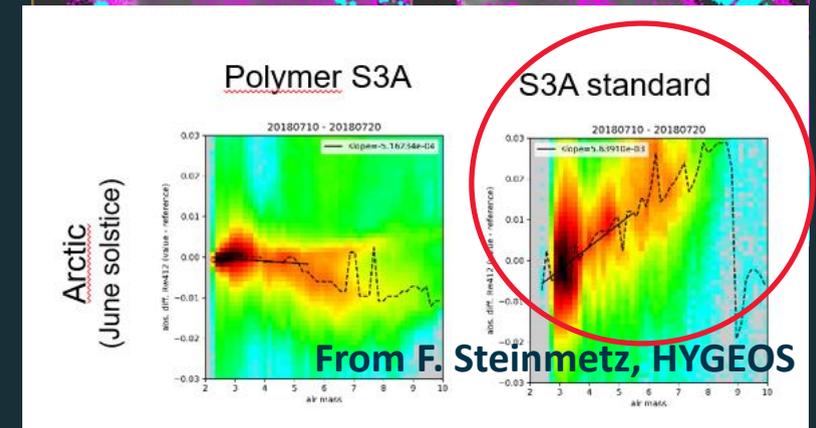
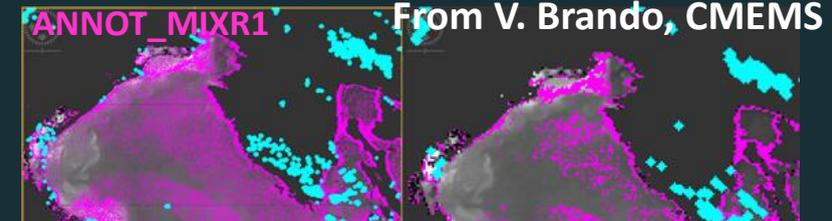
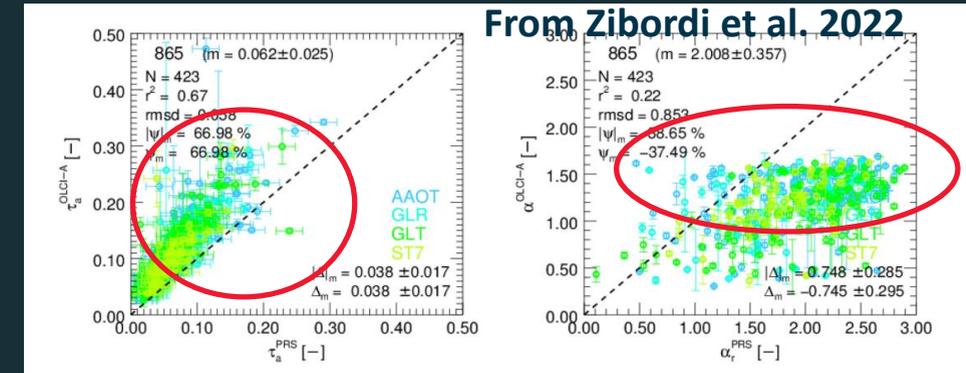
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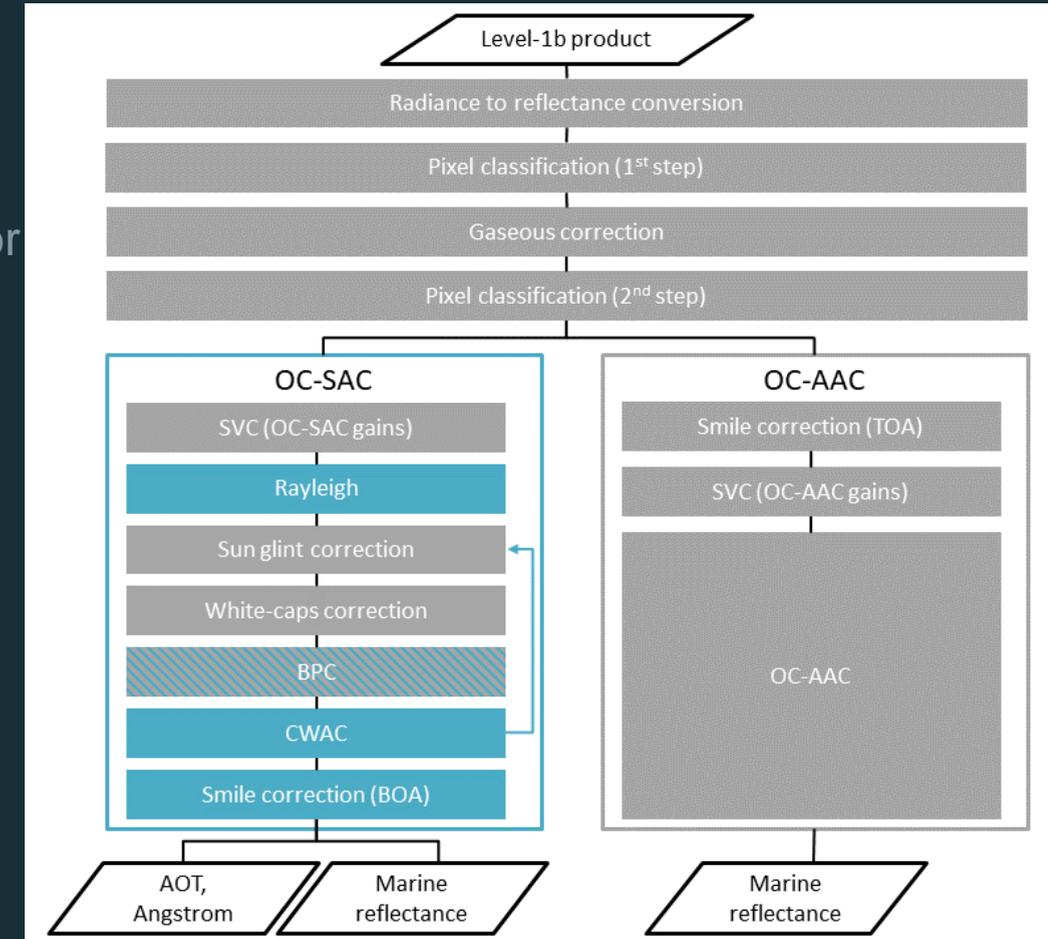
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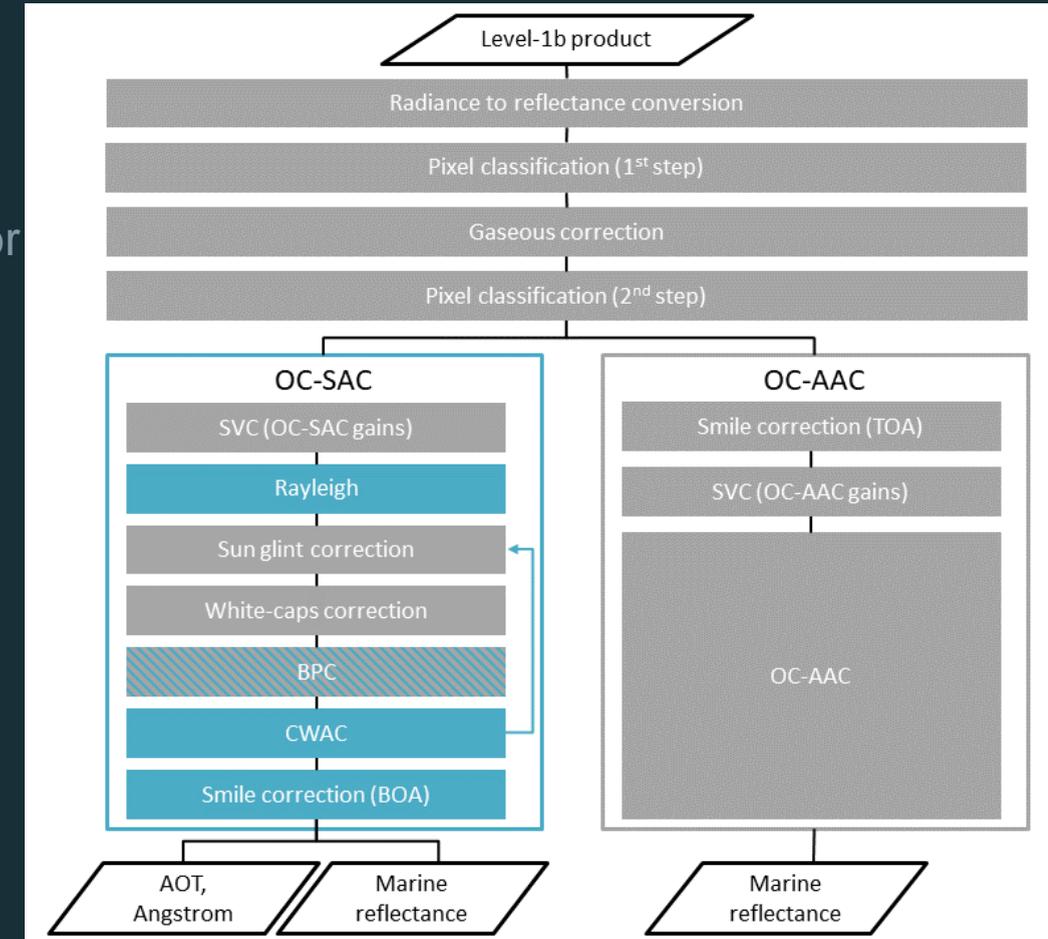
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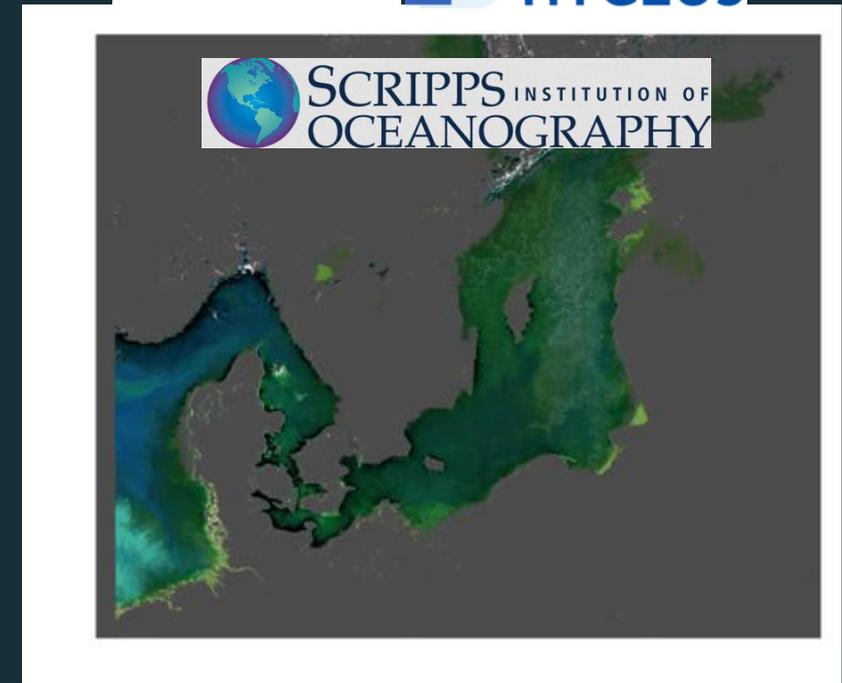




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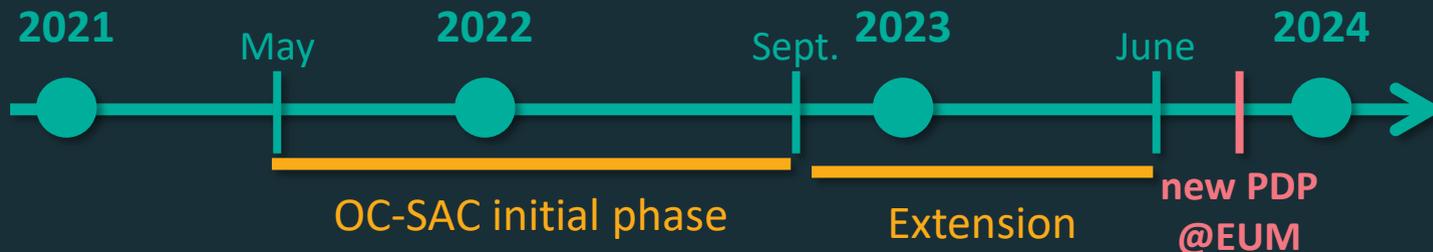
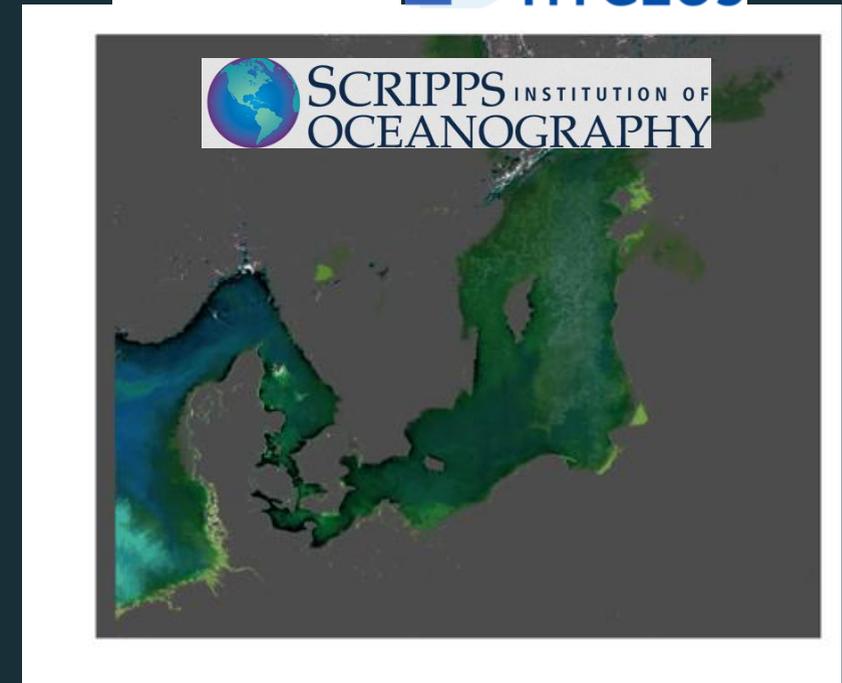
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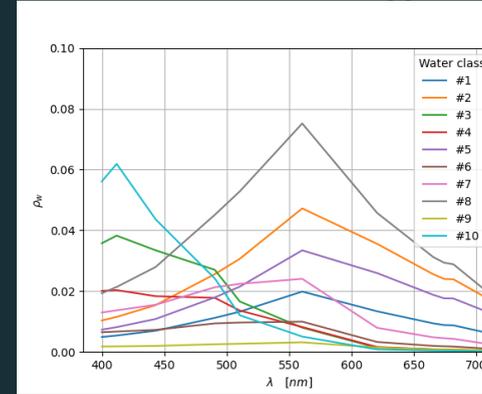




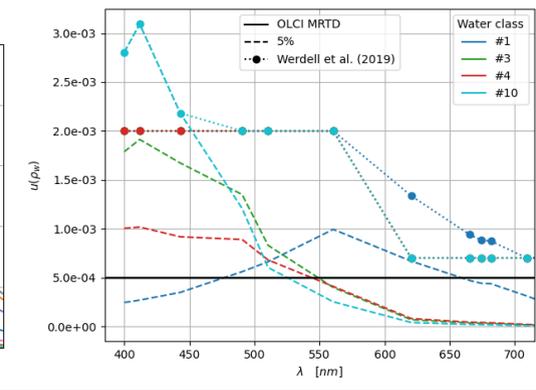
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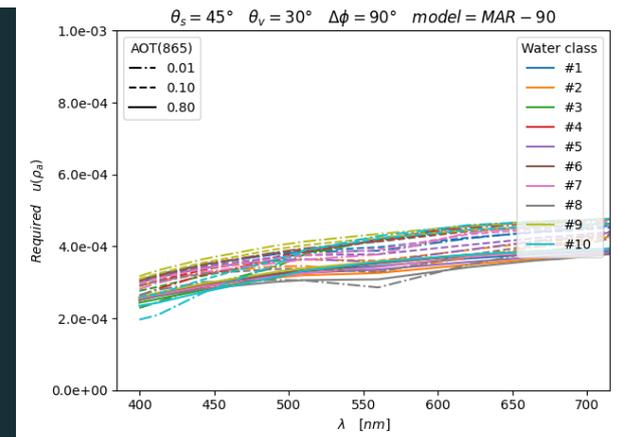


Required uncertainty on ρ_w



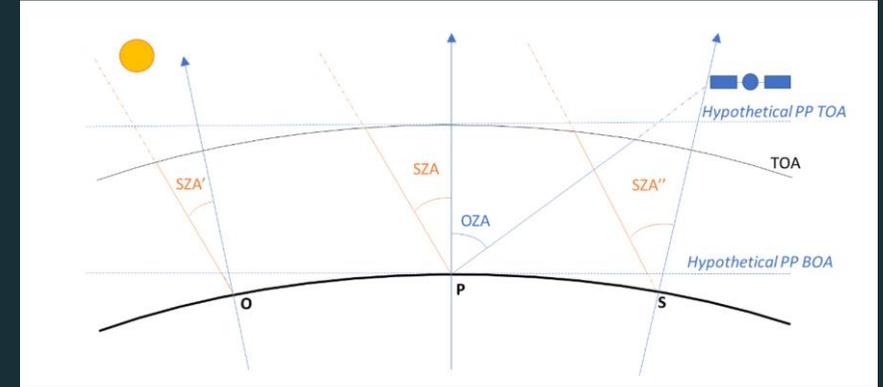
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Required absolute uncertainty on ρ_a to get an uncertainty of $5 \cdot 10^{-4}$ on ρ_w .

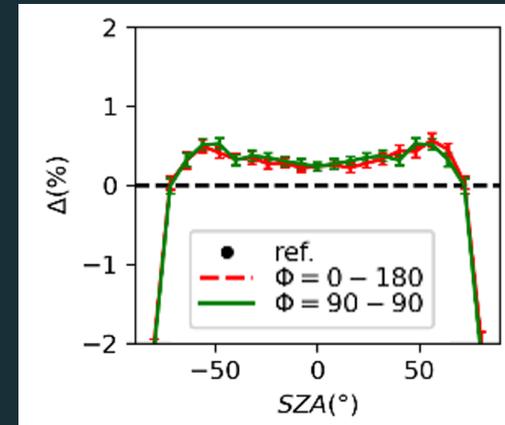


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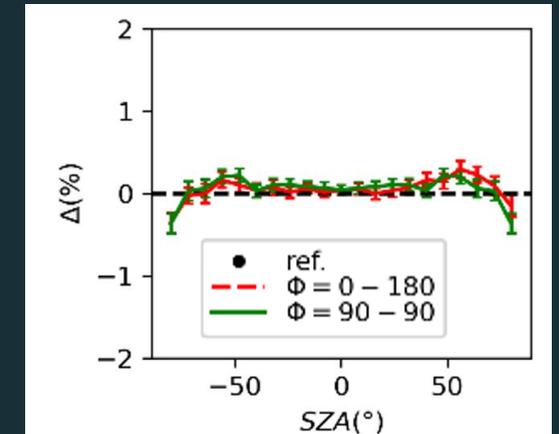


PPA assumption



Hybrid approach

$$\rho_{path}^{SSA} \approx \rho_r^{SSA} + \rho_{path}^{PPA} - \rho_r^{PPA}$$



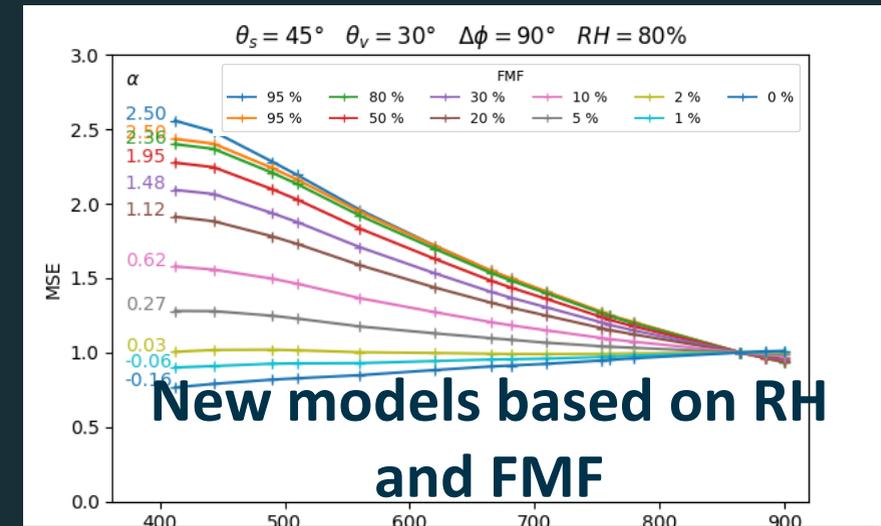
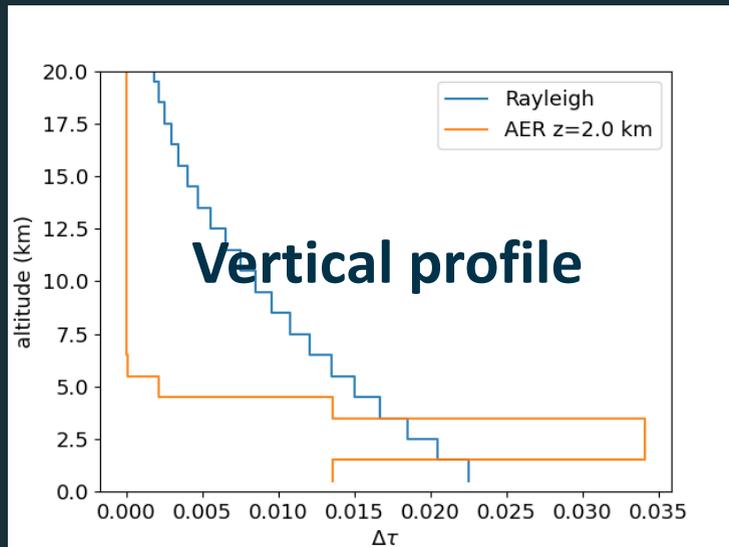
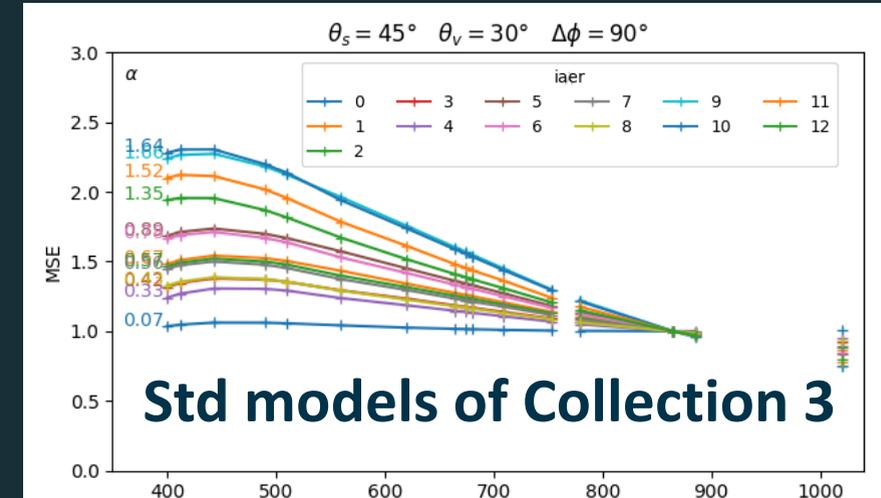
$\Delta\rho_{path}(412)$

maritime polluted aerosols, $AOT(550)=0.2$, $VZA=0^\circ$



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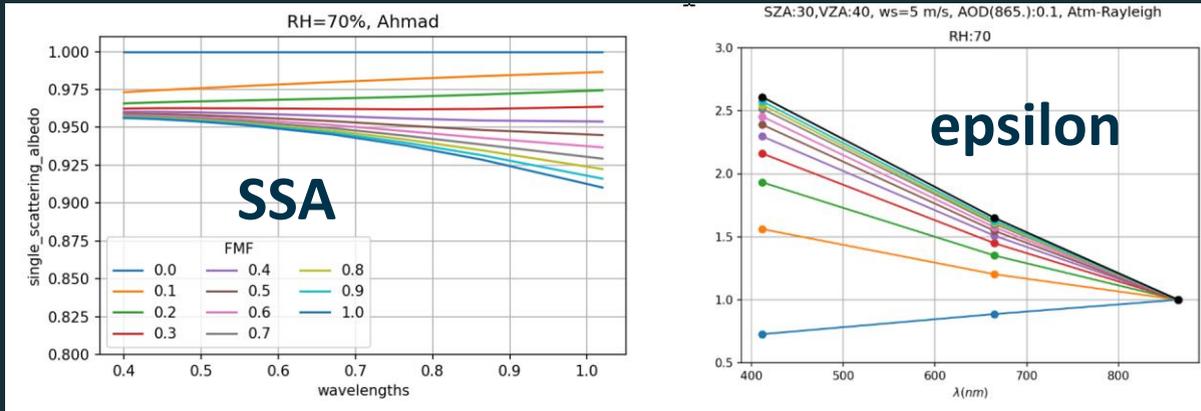


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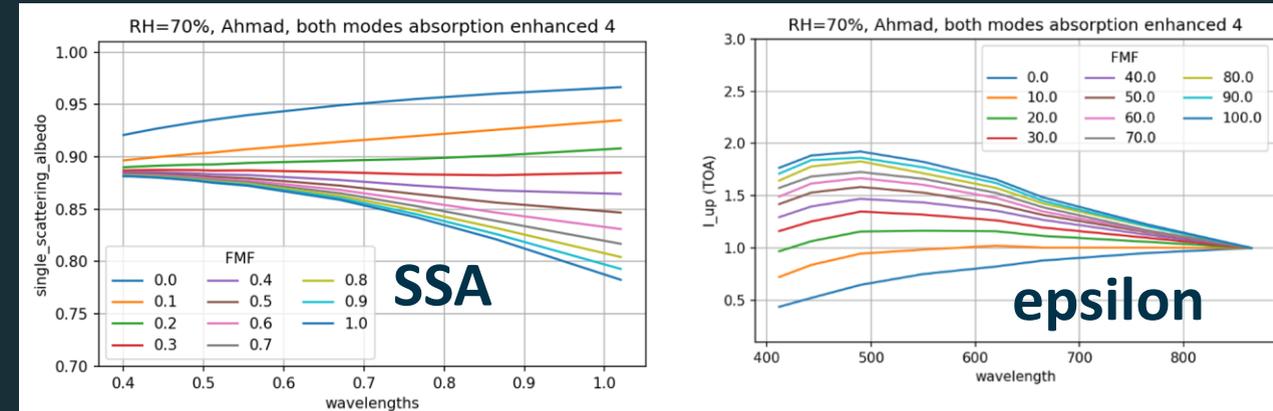
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Standard Ahmad et al. (2010)	Fine mode	99.5% dust like	0.5% soot
	Coarse mode	100% sea salt	
OC-SAC strongly absorbing models	Fine mode	95% dust like	5% soot
	Coarse mode	60% sea salt	40% dust like

Std Ahmad et al.



OC-SAC strongly absorbing (to be further tuned)



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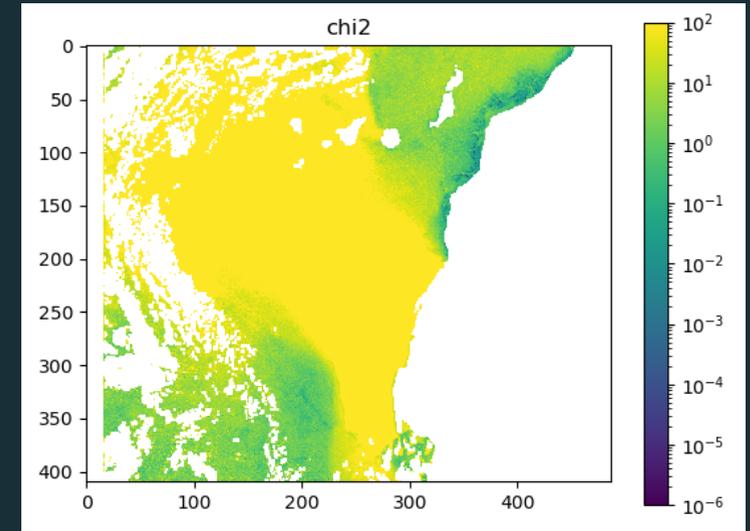
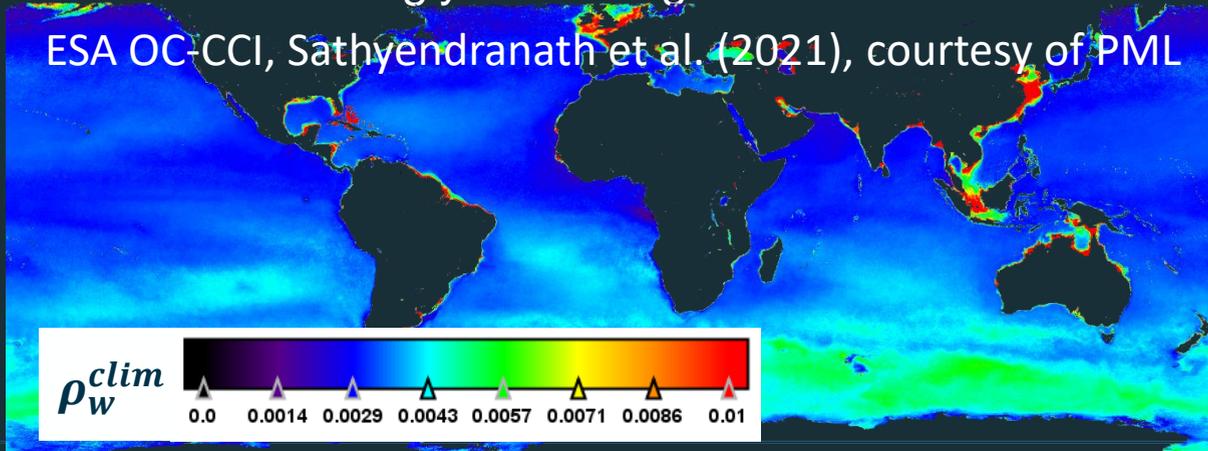
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Extension of Nobileau & Antoine (2005) at 510 nm:

- More bands
- Updated climatology

$$\chi_{clim}^2 = \frac{1}{N_{clim}} \sum_{\lambda} \left(\frac{\rho_w(\lambda) - \rho_w^{clim}(\lambda)}{3 * \sigma^{clim}} \right)^2 > \chi_{clim_thresh}^2$$

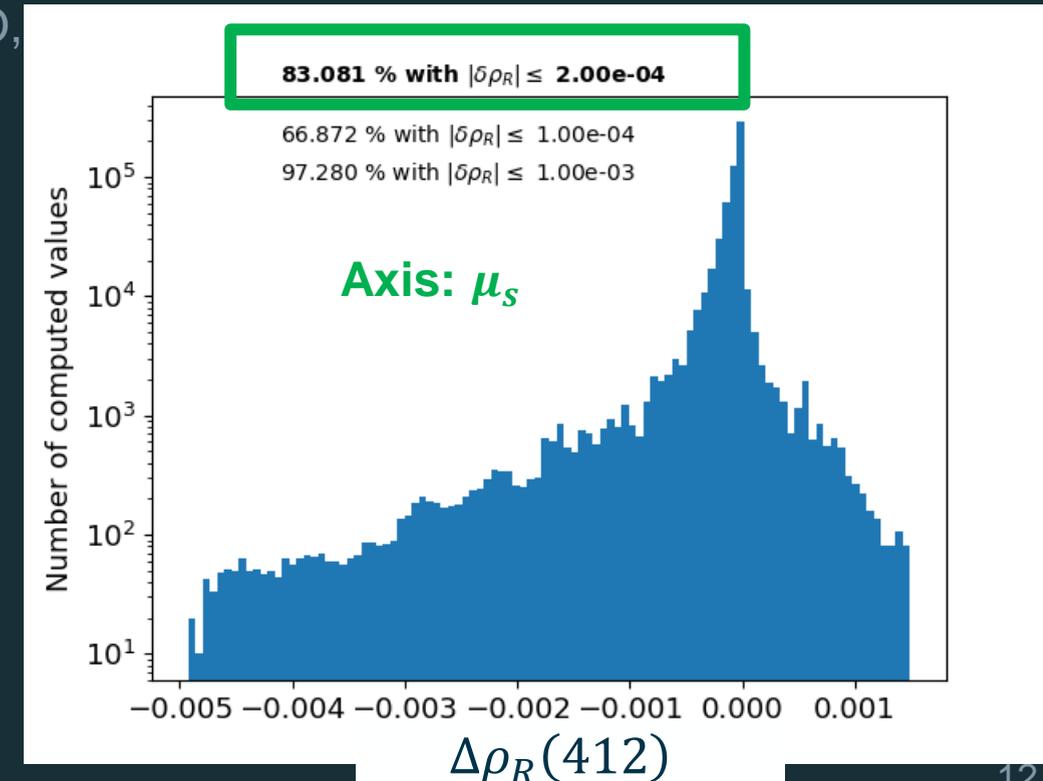
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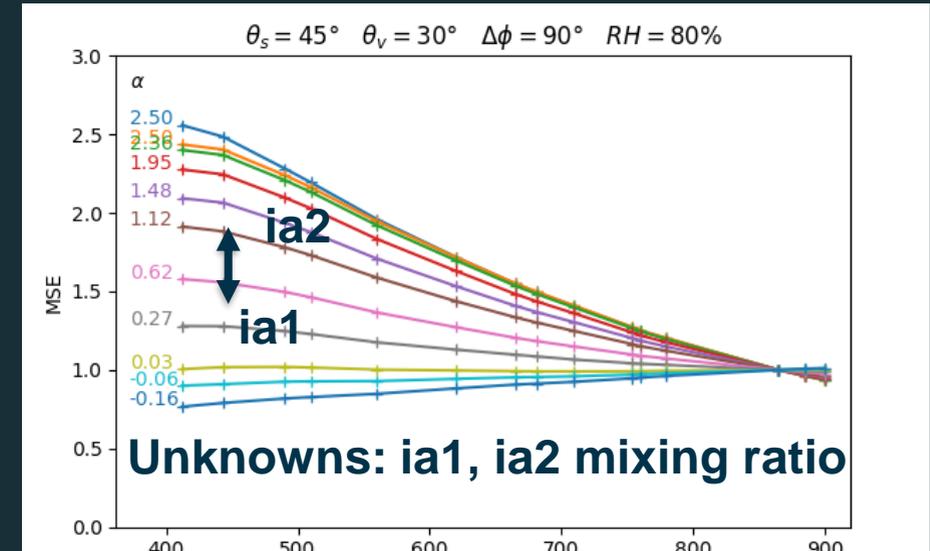
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Use 5 NIR bands (possibly 6) with spectral fitting instead of the 779-865 nm standard detection



Loop over all $iaer$ (FMF) to compute optimal $\tau_{a0, mix}$:

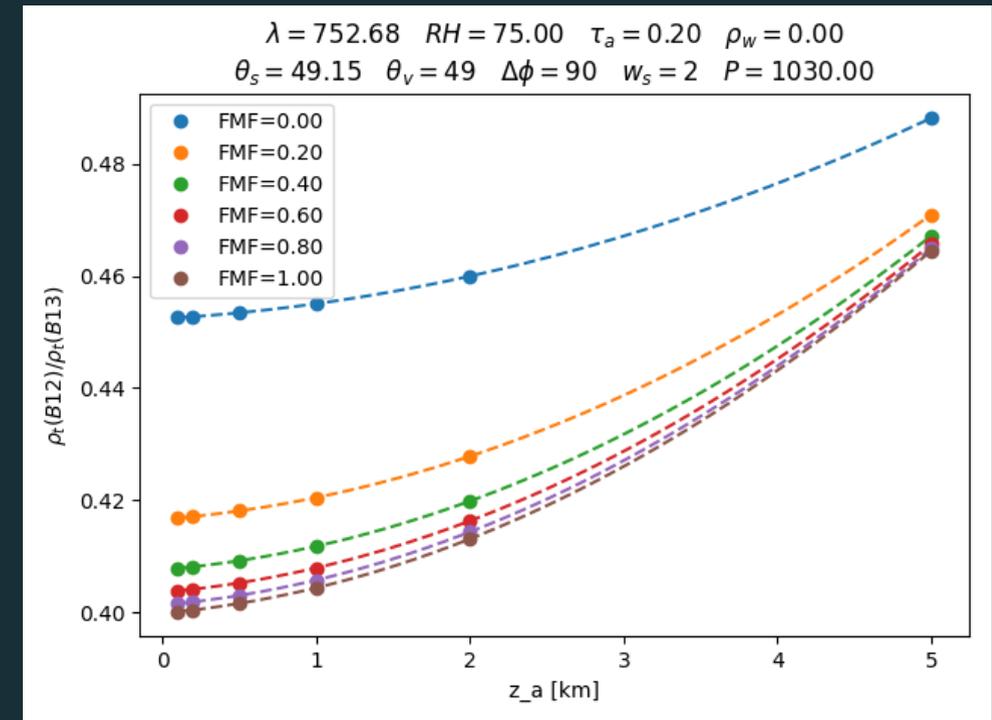
$$\chi_{iaer}^2(\tau_{a0, mix}) = \sum_{\lambda} \frac{(\rho_{path}^{mod}(\lambda, iaer, \tau_{a0, mix}) - \rho_{path}^{obs}(\lambda))^2}{\sigma^2(\lambda)}$$

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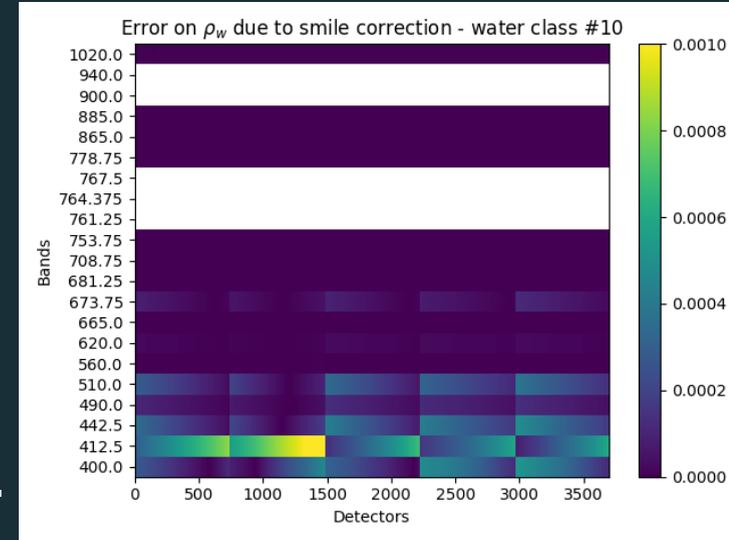




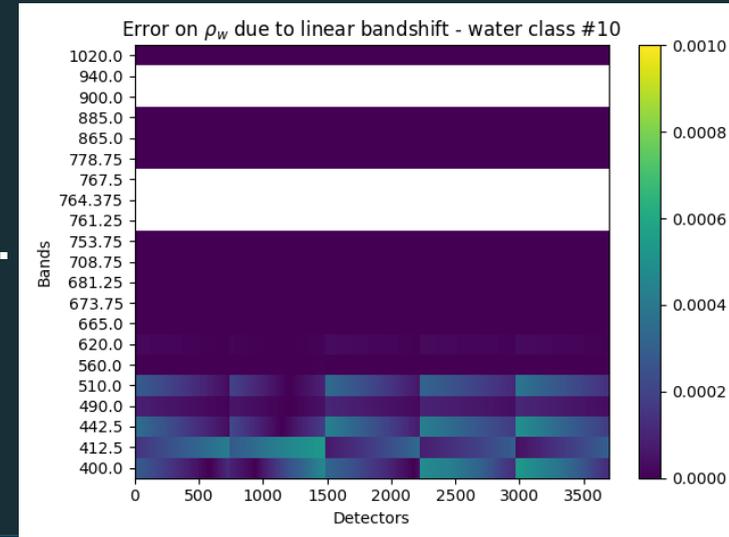
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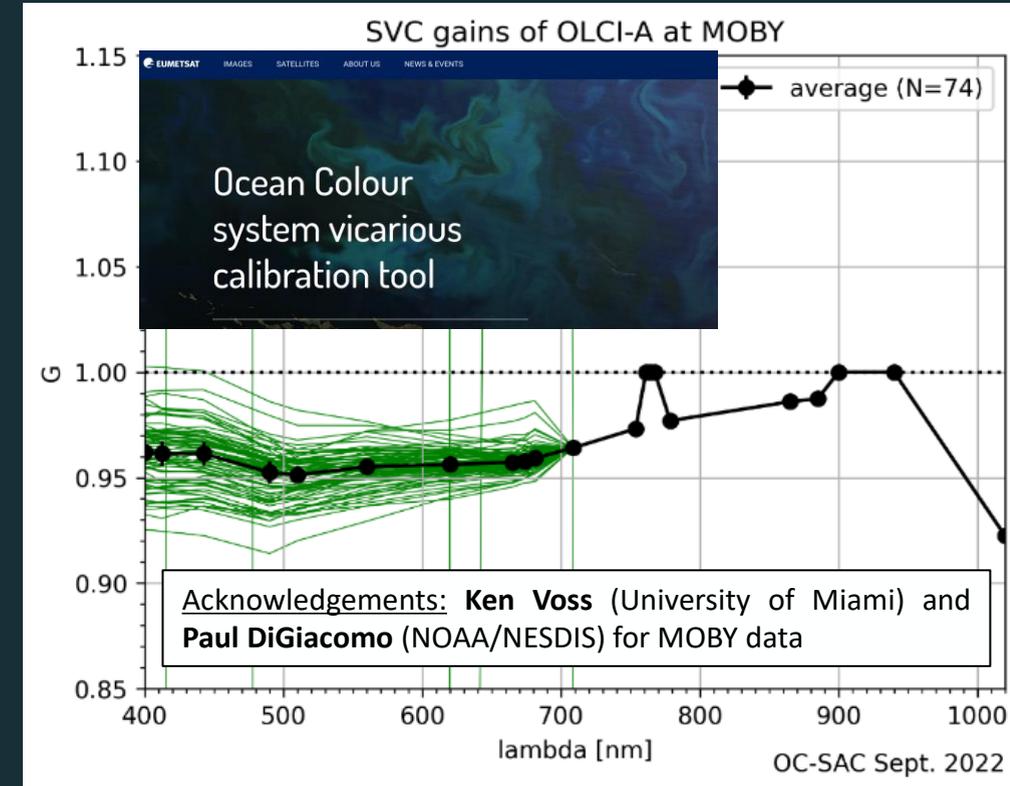


Error on ρ_w with simple BOA smile corr. (ideally requires band-shift)



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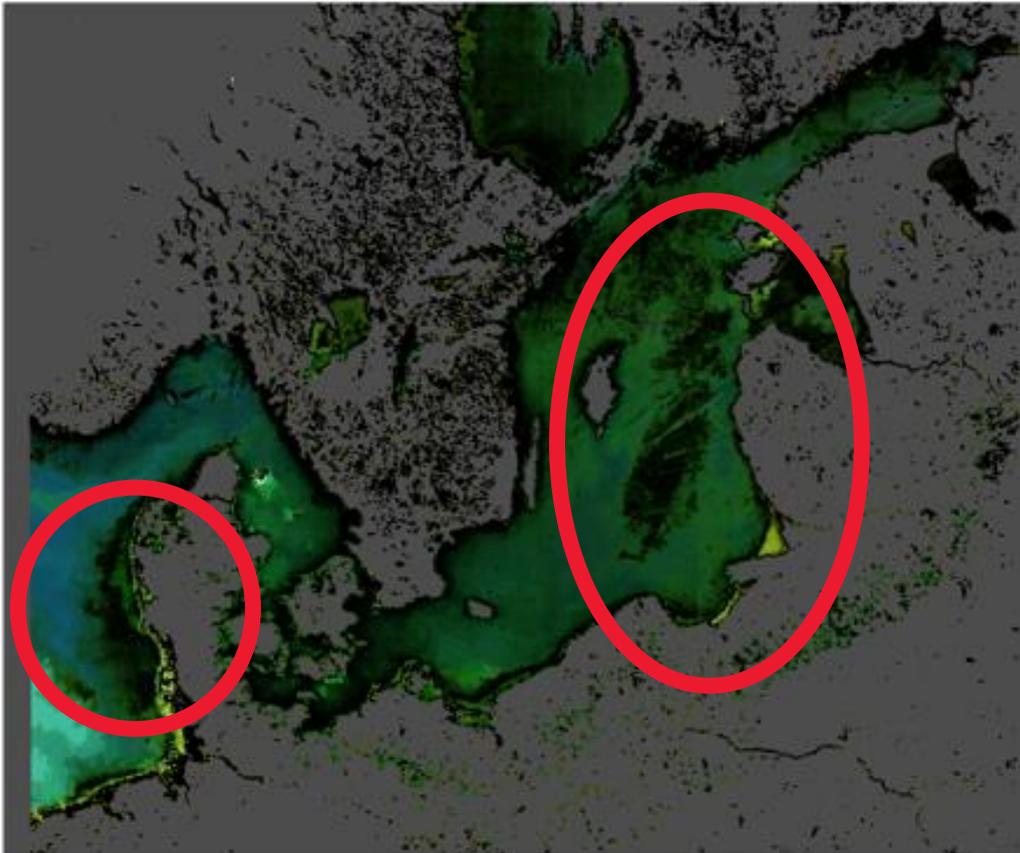
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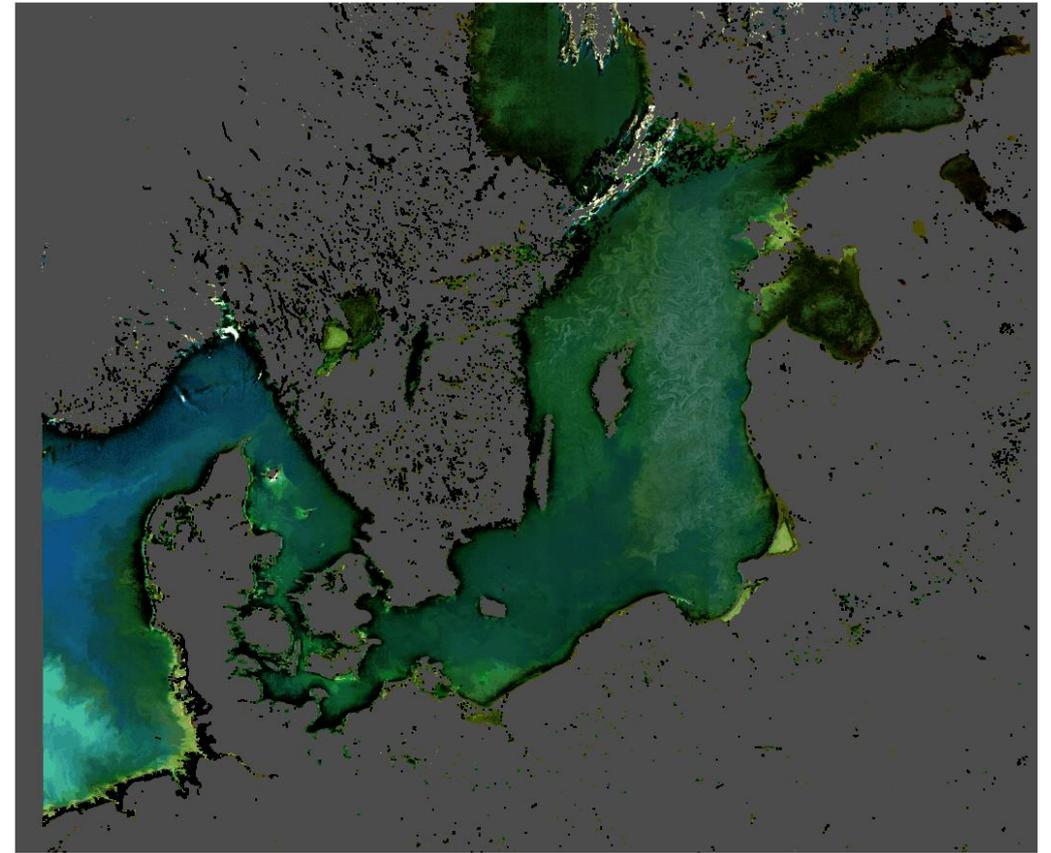
- Standard NIR SVC methodology applied at SPG with a new model best matching MAR-90 (FMF=0.1)
- To be revised following Ahmad et al. at Tahiti AERONET station?

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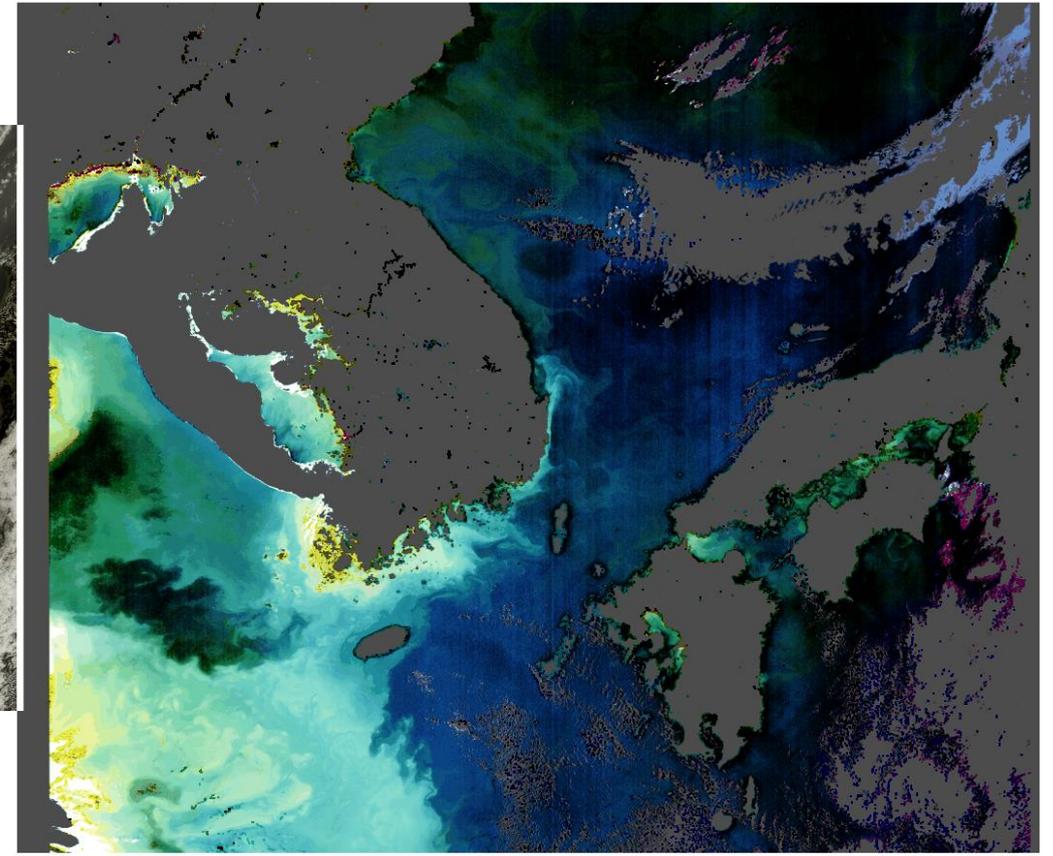
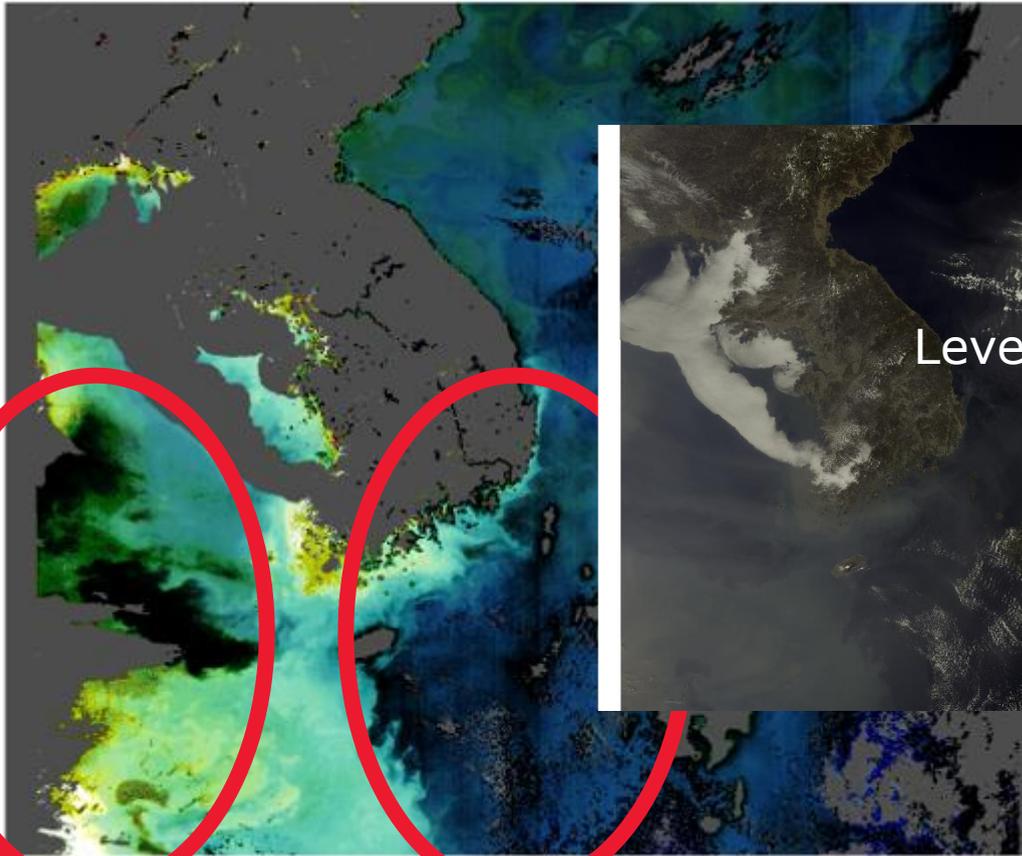
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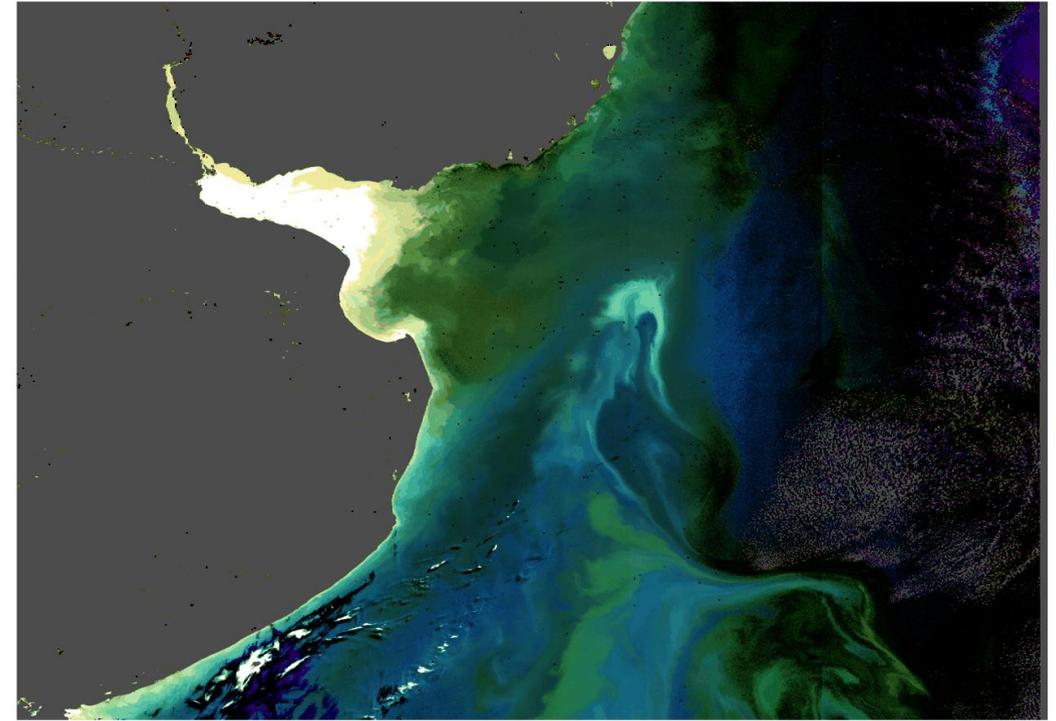
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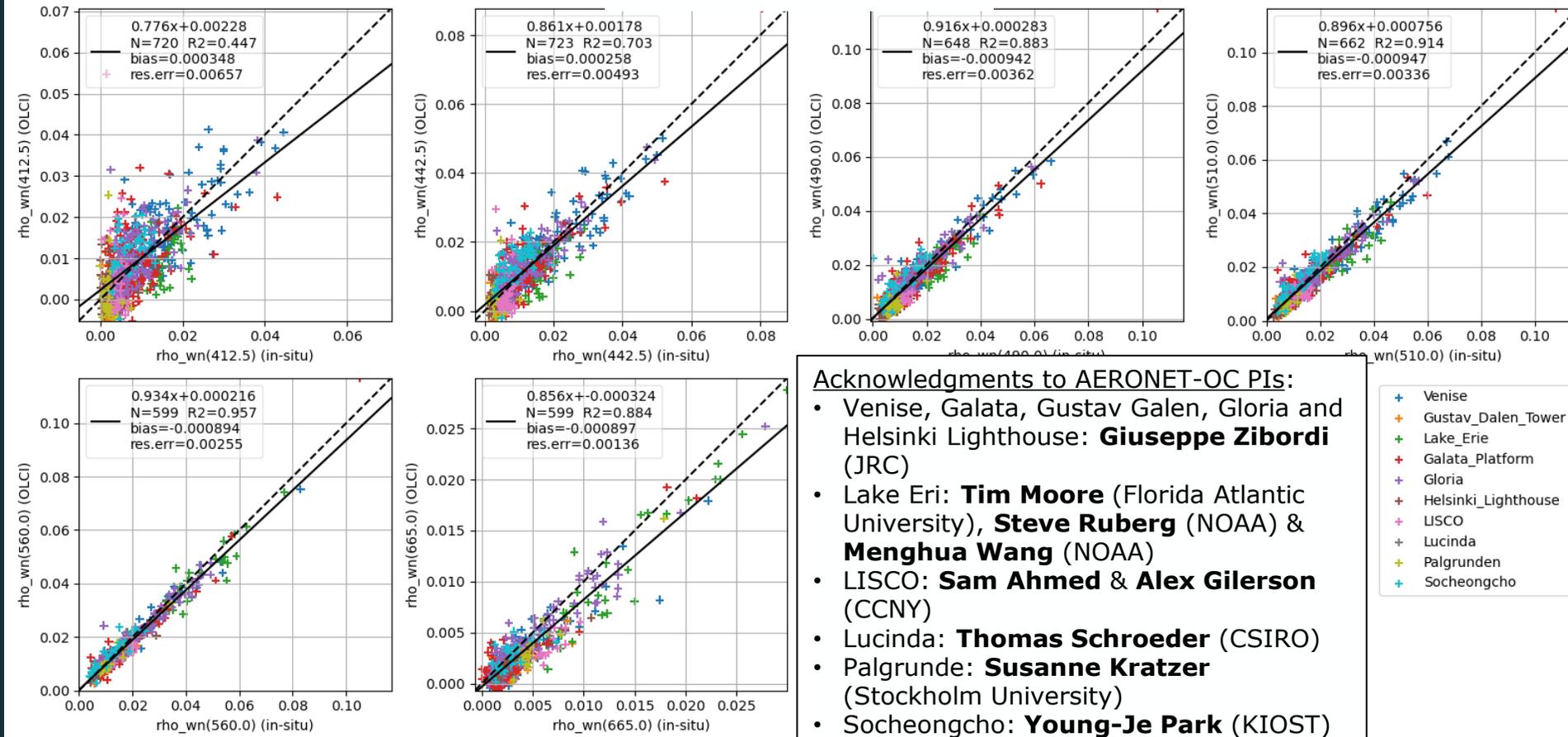
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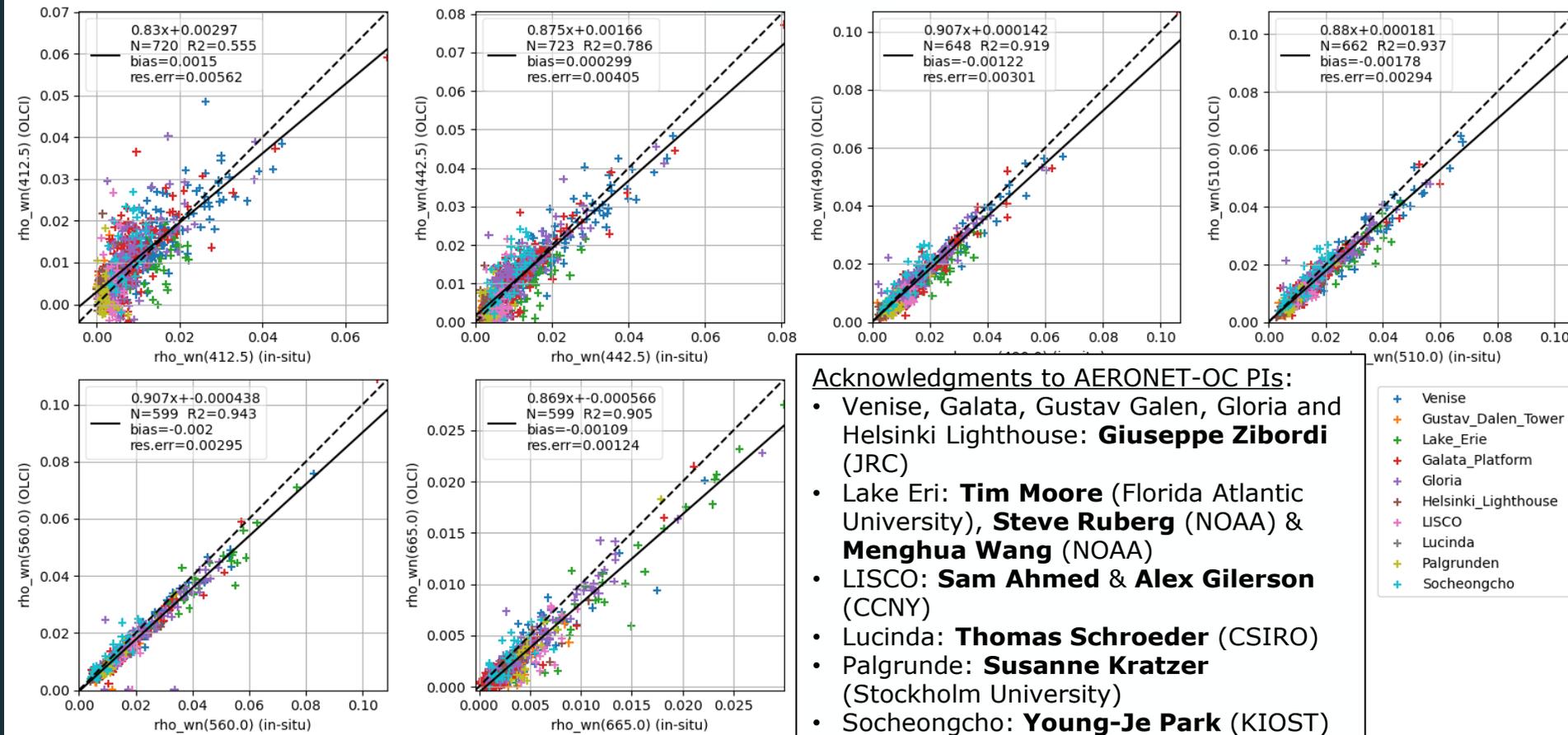




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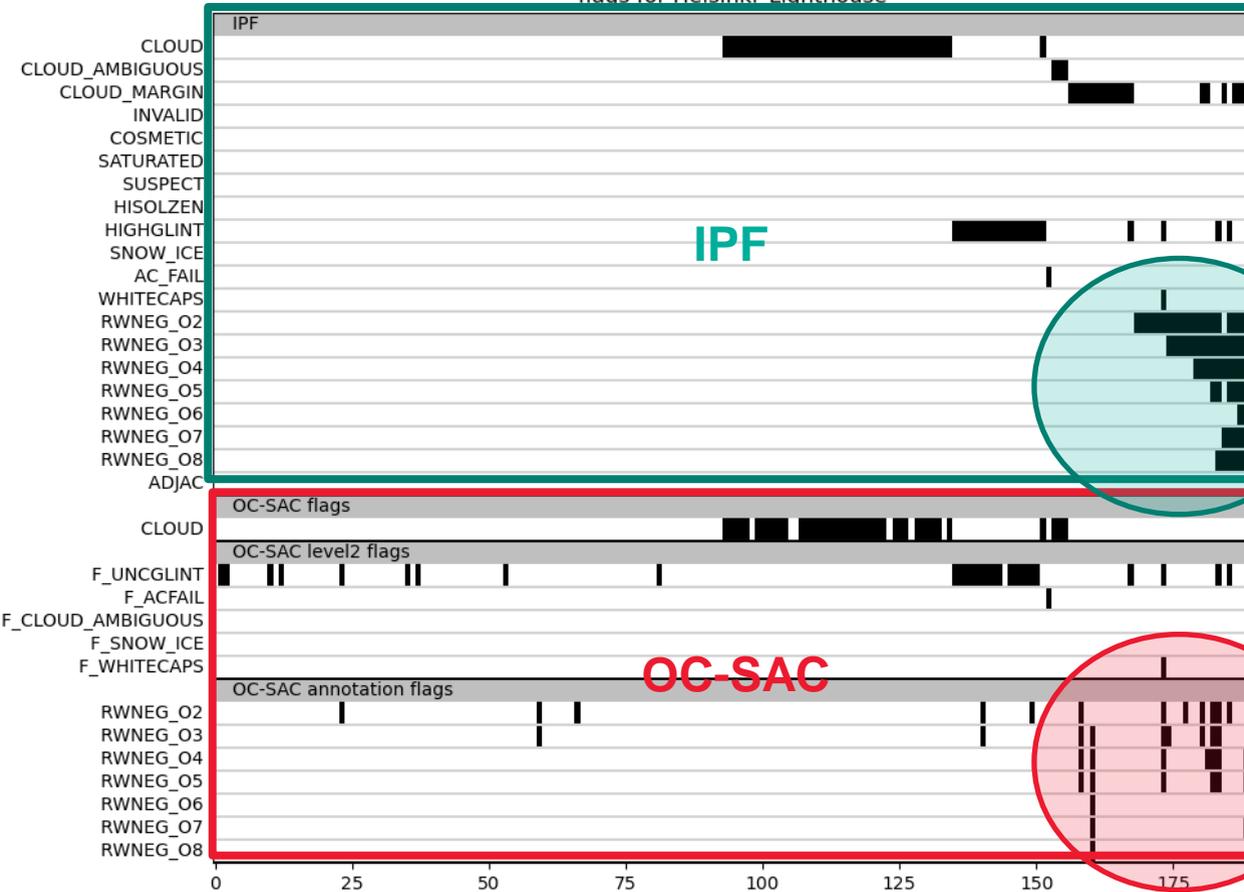
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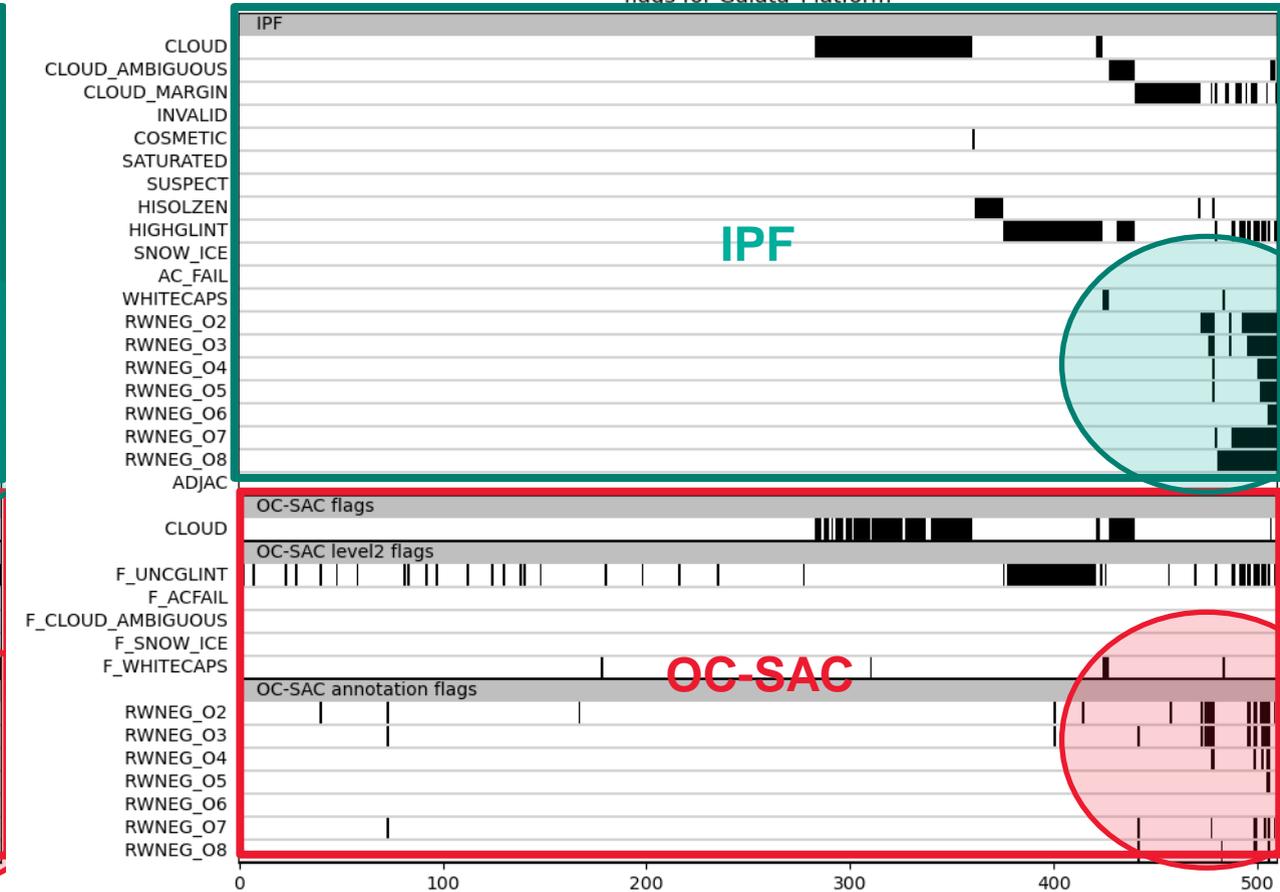


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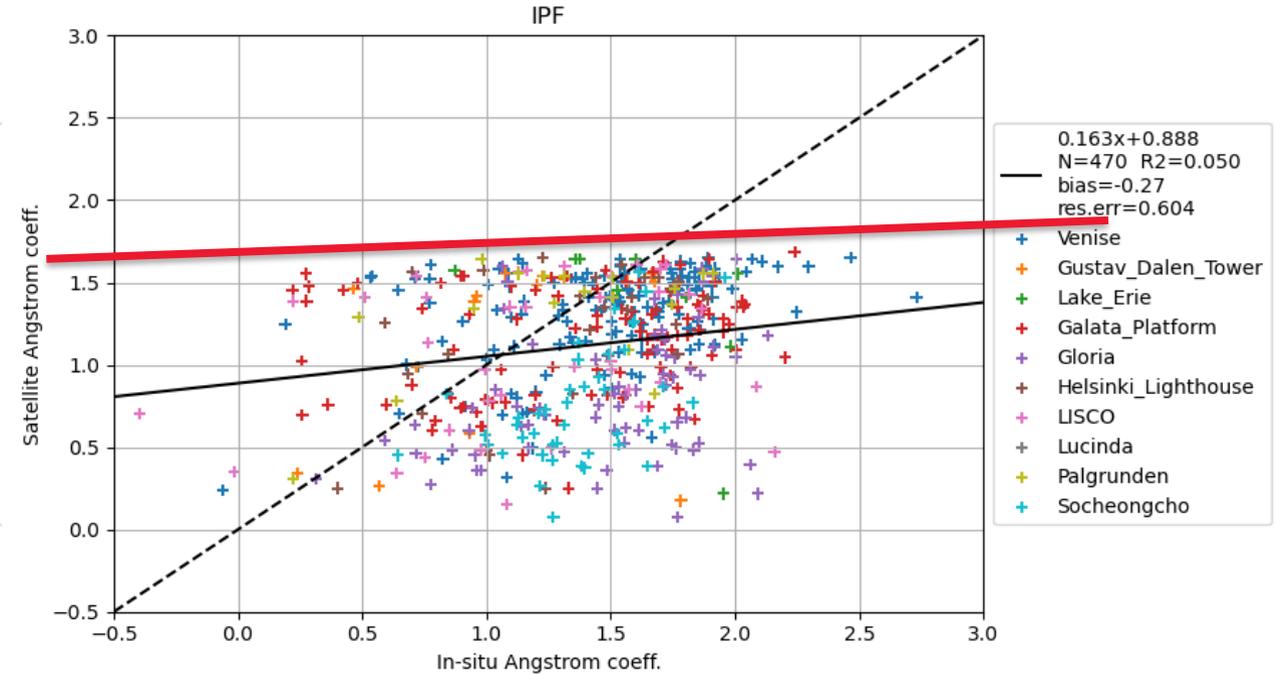
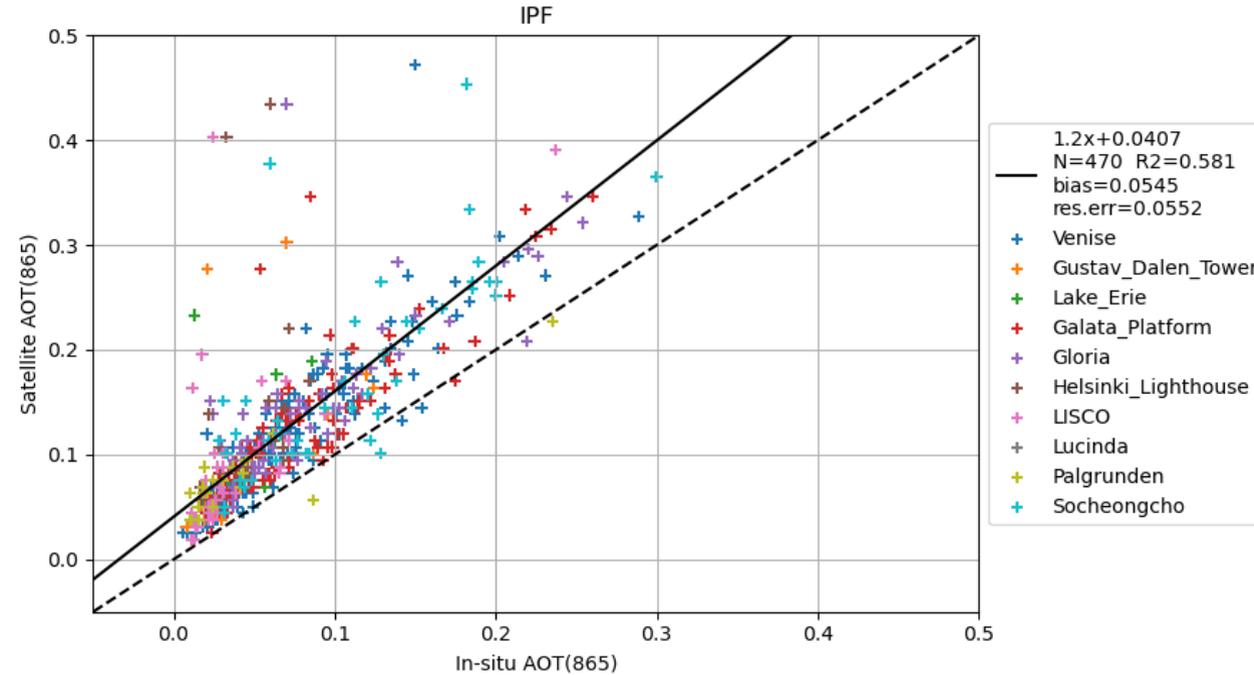
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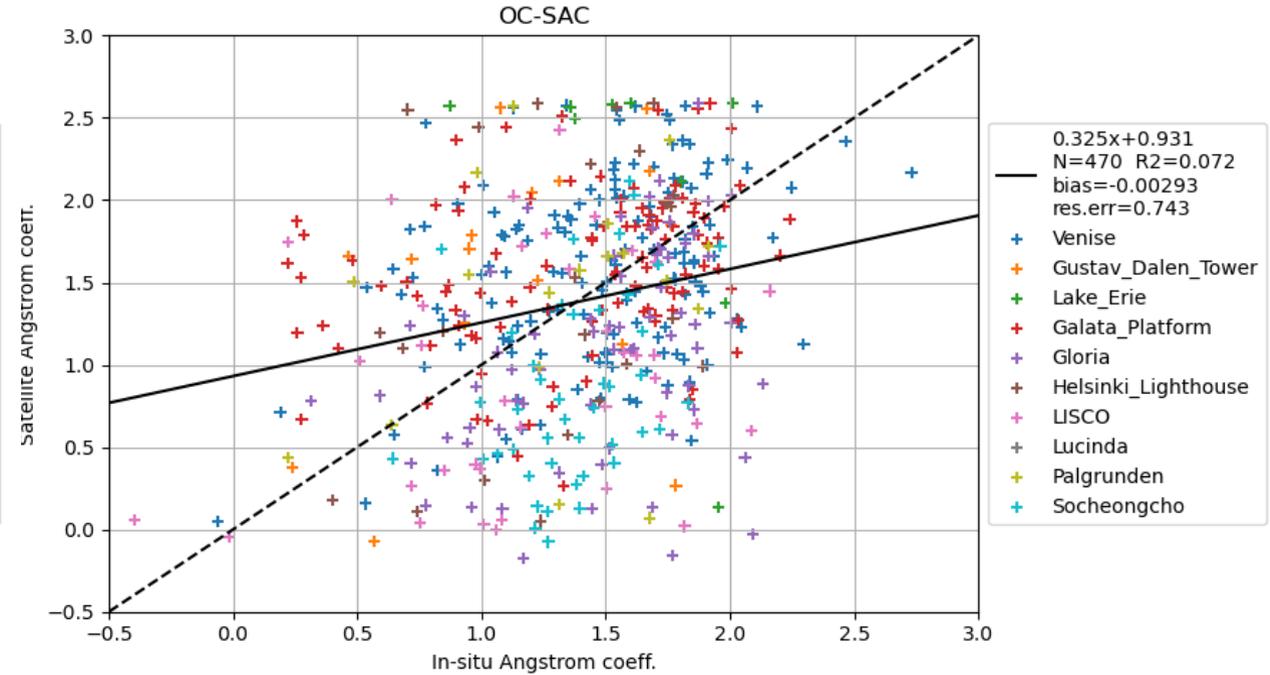
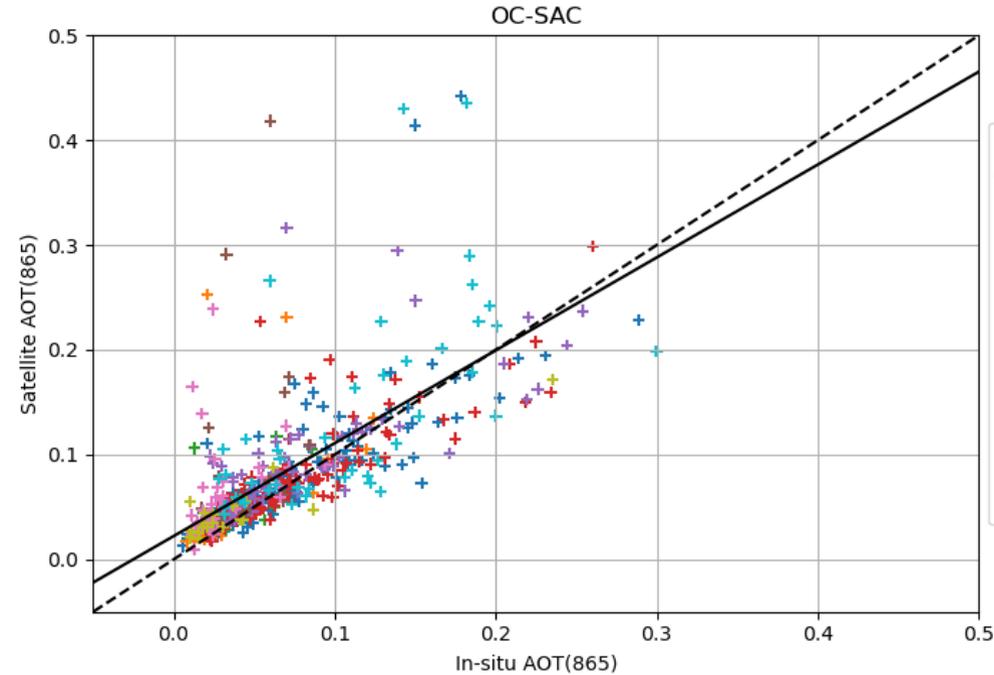
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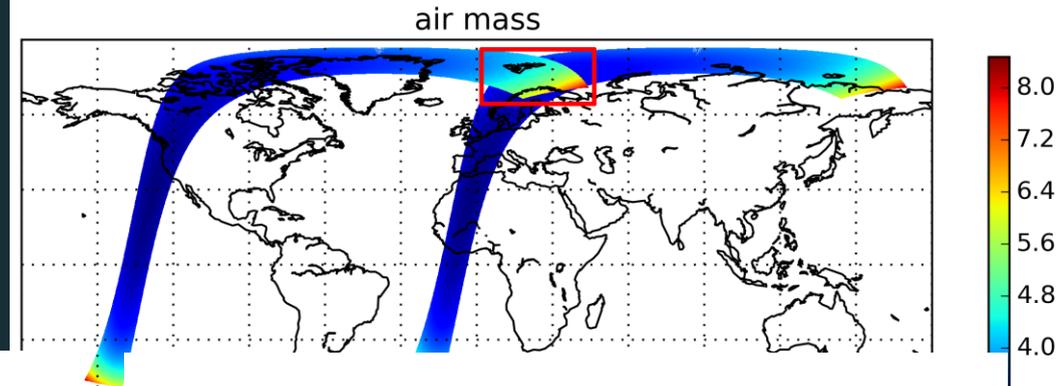
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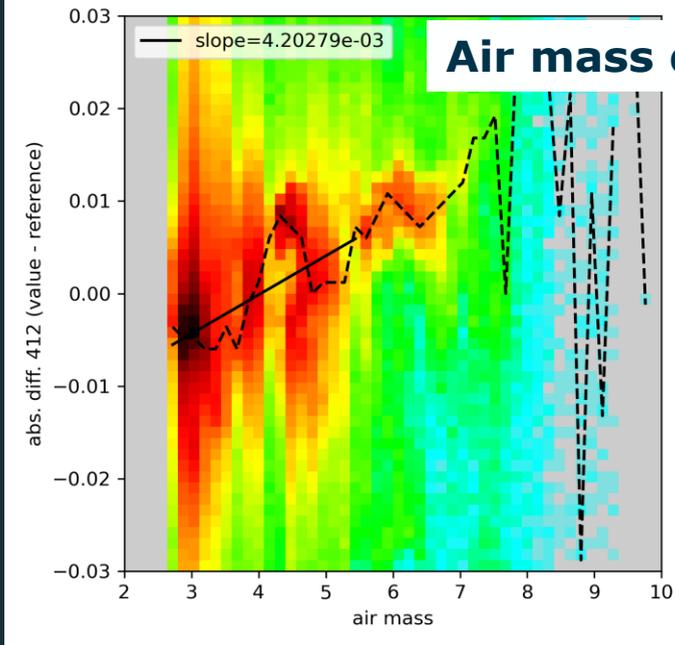
GLOBAL ASSESSMENT: AIR-MASS DEPENDENCE

- Self-consistency analysis of ρ_{wN} : overlaps at high latitudes
- Cf. HYGEOS: <https://www.eposters.net/poster/consistency-analysis-of-ocean-color-products-at-high-latitudes>
- Applied to 4 days of RR products: June 01-04, 2019

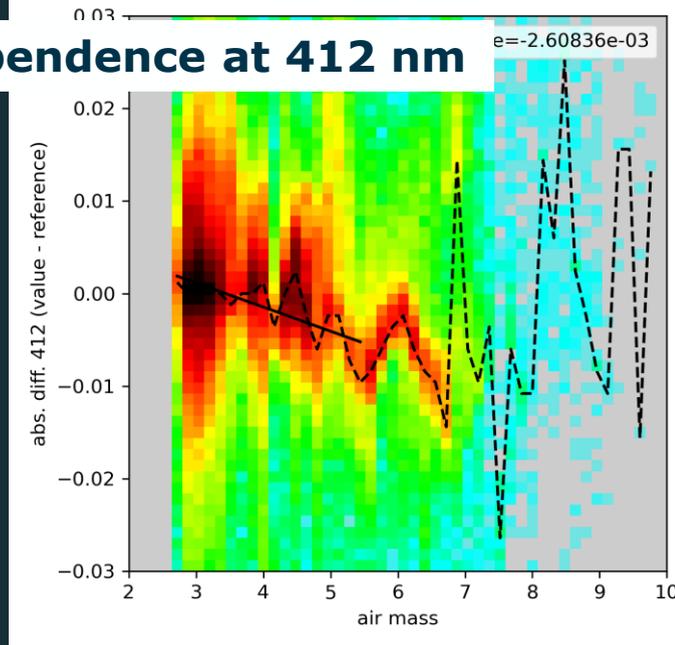


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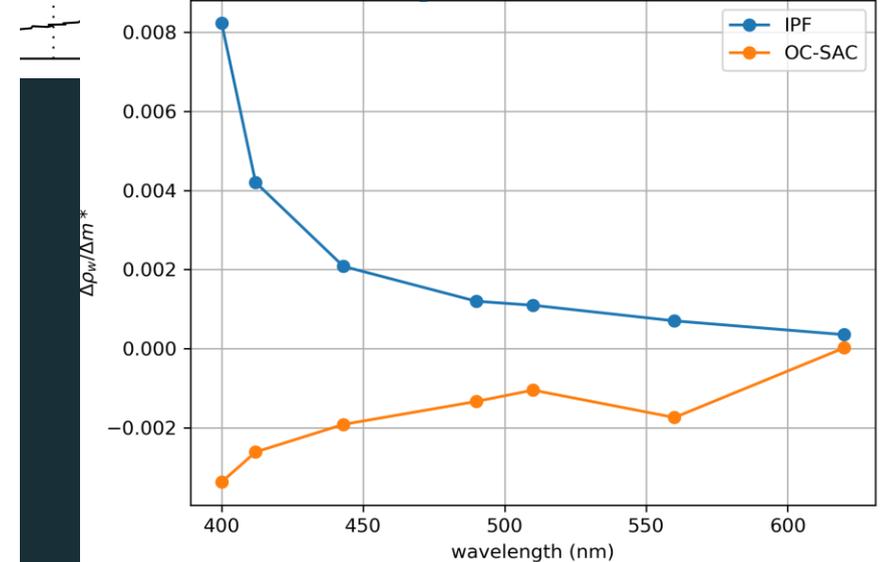
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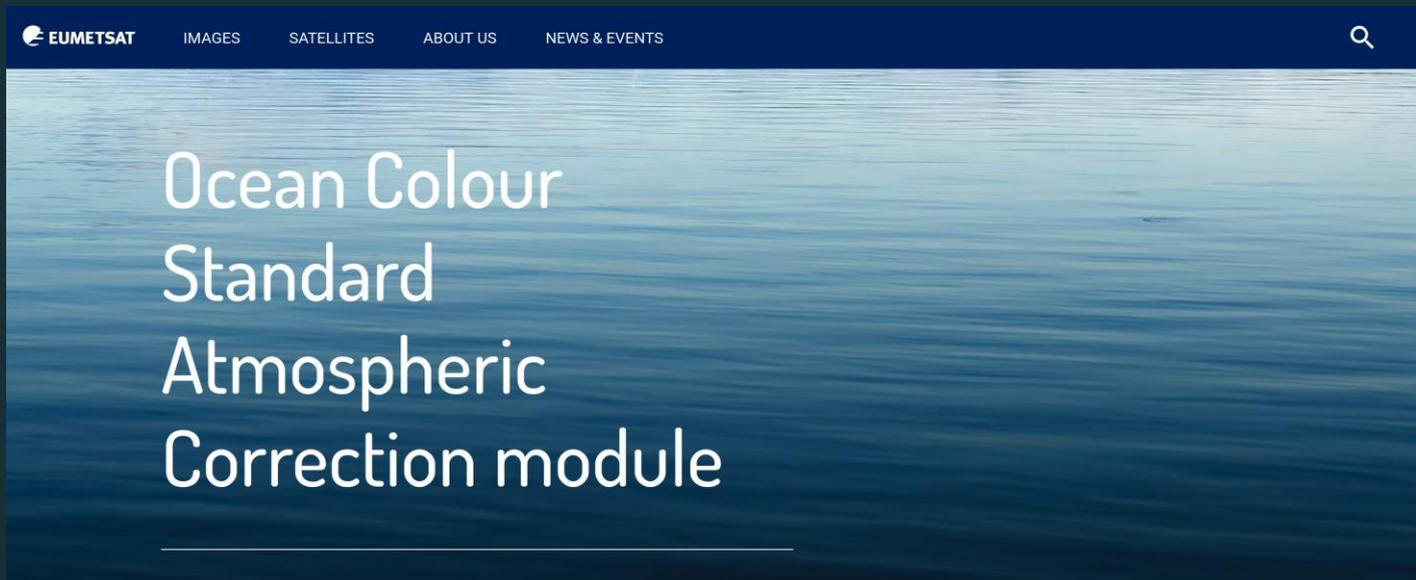


Air mass dependence at all bands



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 - Aerosol models, RTM, LUT optimization, multi-band aerosol detection ...
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- New OC-SAC module plugged-in the OLCI operational Level 2 processor (+ external "SACSO" prototype)

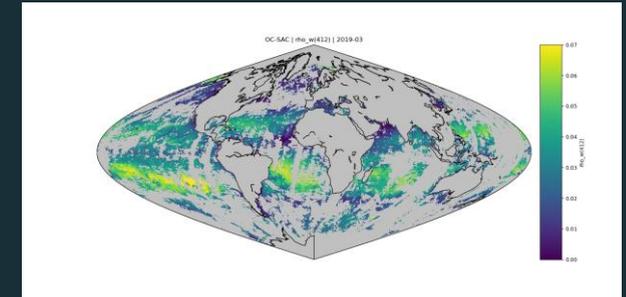


- <https://www.eumetsat.int/oc-sac>
- Soon available:
 - Requirement Baseline
 - ATBD
 - Product Validation Report



CONCLUSION - ON-GOING WORK

- New OC-SAC is a candidate for OLCI Collection 4 reprocessing
- On-going 9-month activity:
 - Improve performance for operational processing at EUMETSAT (RAM, CPU, speed)
 - Consolidate NIR+VIS SVC gains for new aerosol models
 - Extend validation, including ALH, absorbing aerosol models, OLCI-B...
 - Optimize algorithm as necessary



- Any independent validation of new OC-SAC from S3VT member is welcome!
- Care about “coastal biased” validation, we need FRM in open waters too: BOUSSOLE (LOV), AMT cruises (PML) ...

THANK YOU

