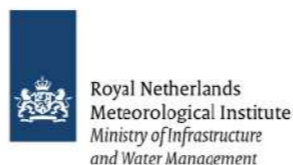




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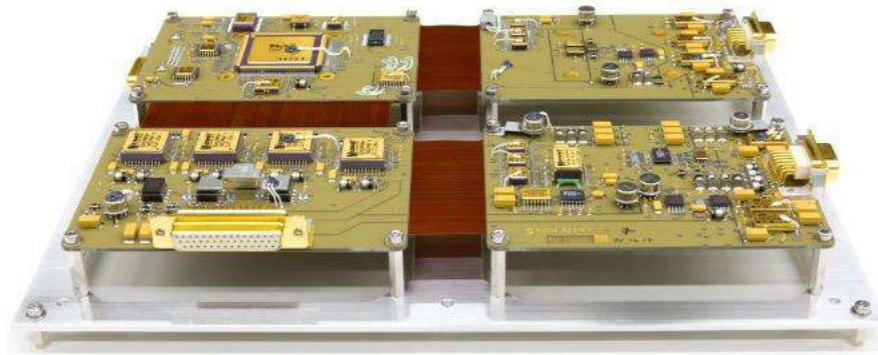
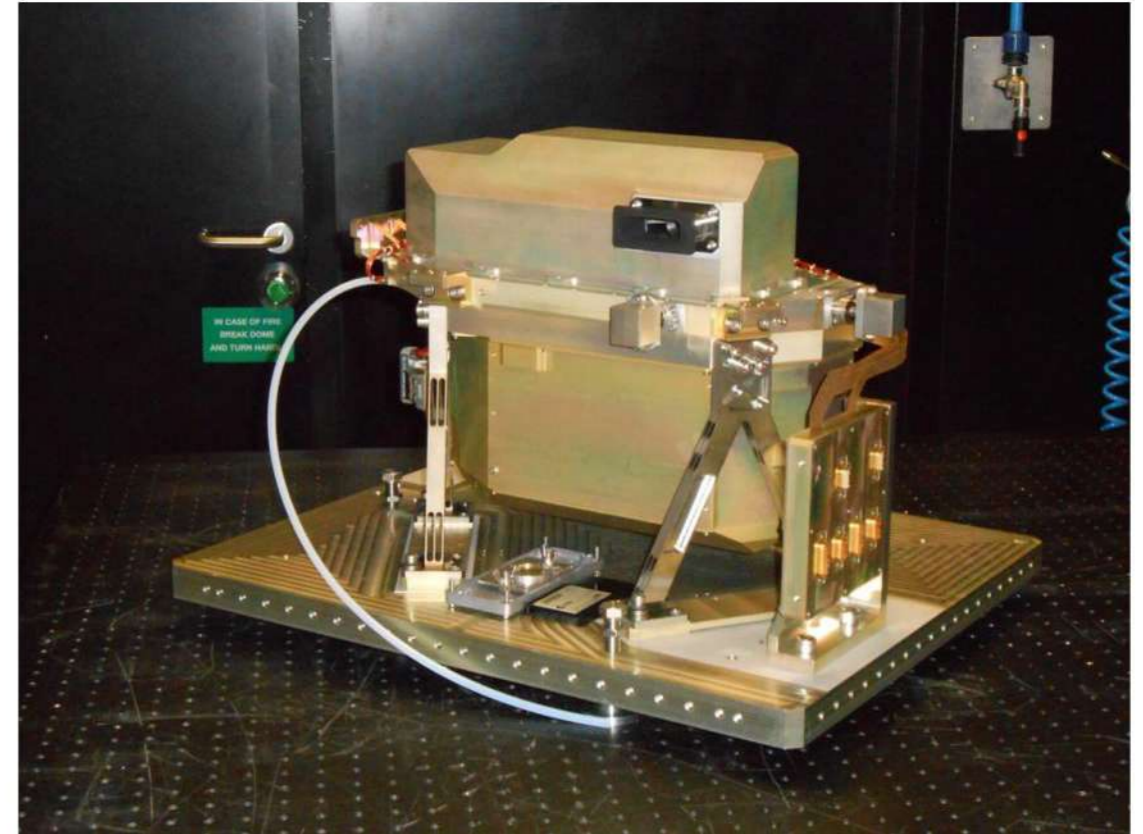
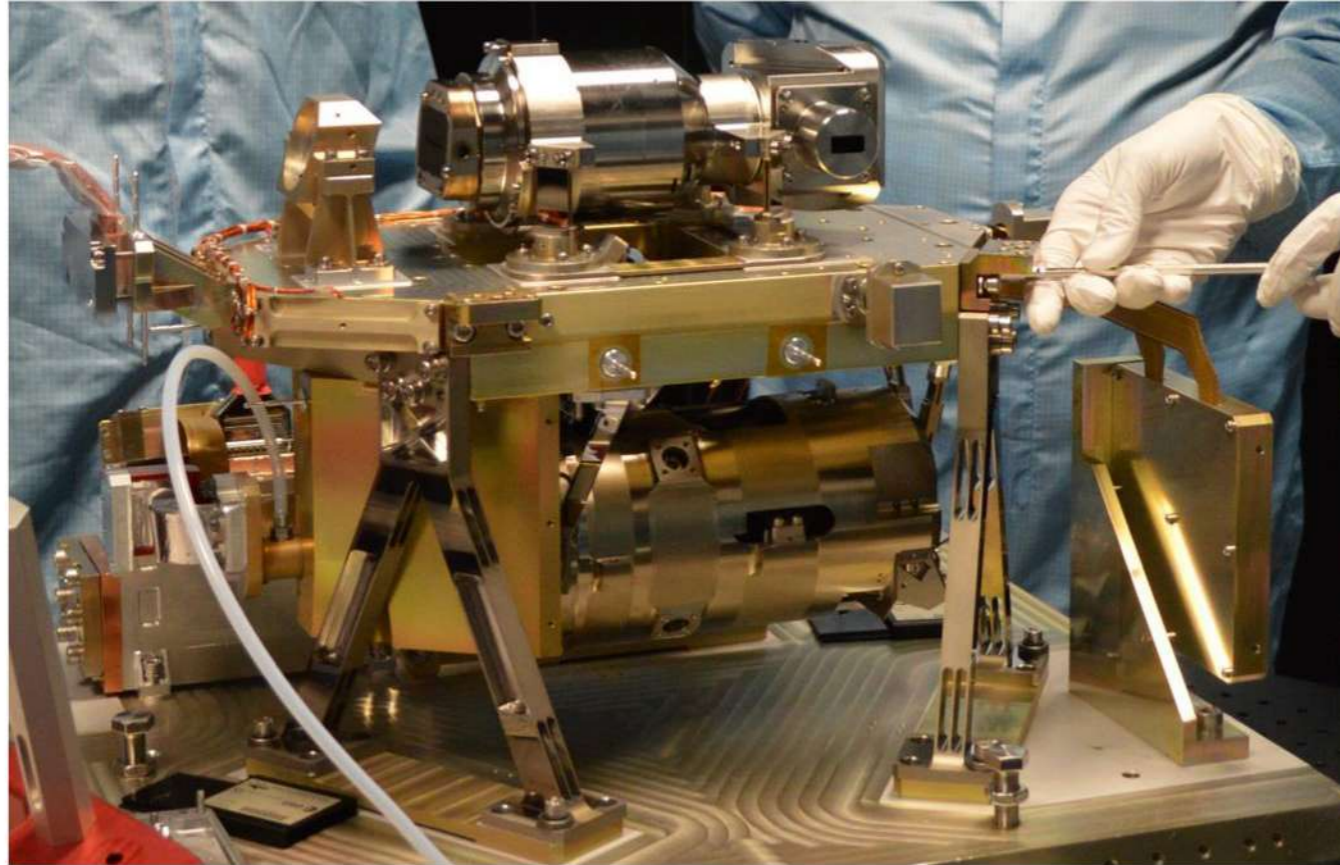
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# Final TROPOMI-SWIR Flight Model



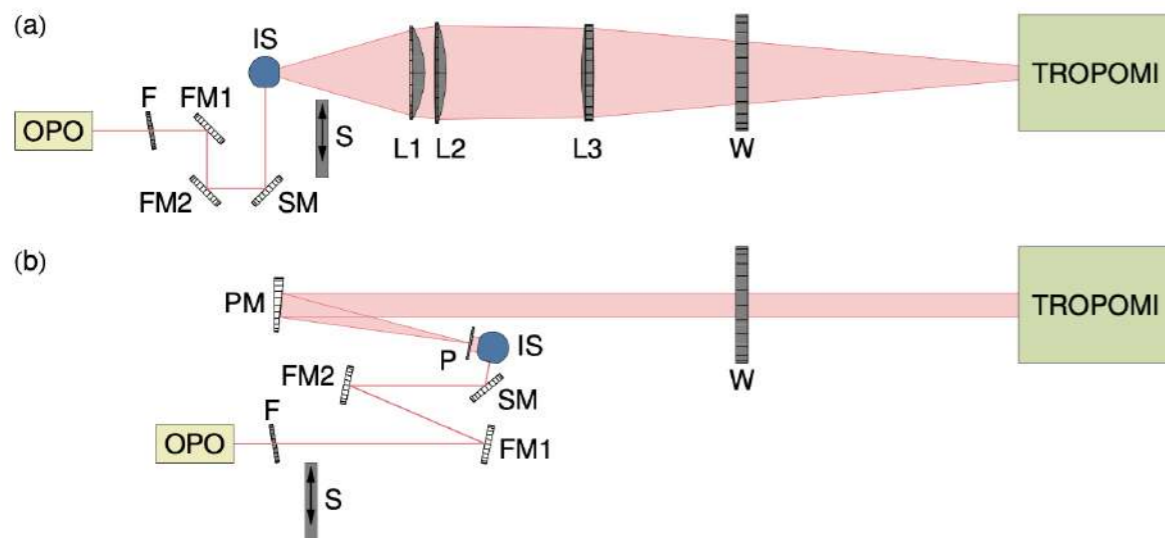
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PICTURES OF  
RUUD HOOGEVEEN (SRON)  
~ 2012-2014



# Ground Campaign @ CSL

- TROPOMI was placed in a 6.5m vacuum chamber inside a clean room with light sources placed in front of the vacuum window.
- Sources included spectral line sources, sun simulators, gas cells and different lasers. Internal sources were also used



Van Hees et al., 2018

Tol et al., 2018

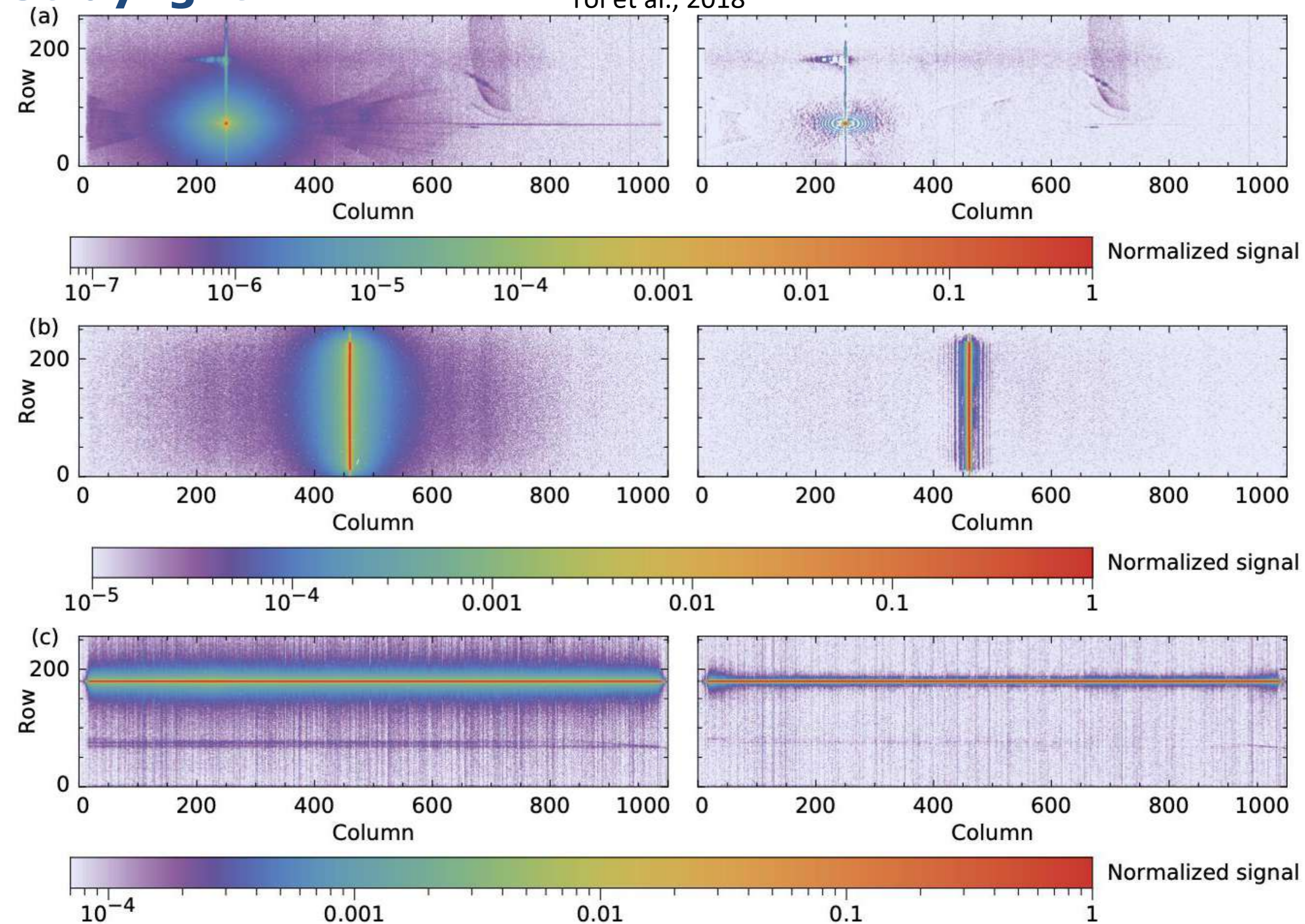
Kleipool et al., 2018



# Straylight Before correction

Tol et al., 2018

# After correction





OCTOBER 13TH 2017  
S5-P LAUNCH FROM  
PLESETSK, RUSSIA



# Can someone turn off the light in Basra?

<b>SRON</b> TROPOMI SCIENCE	<b>TECHNICAL NOTE</b>	<b>Doc. no.:</b>
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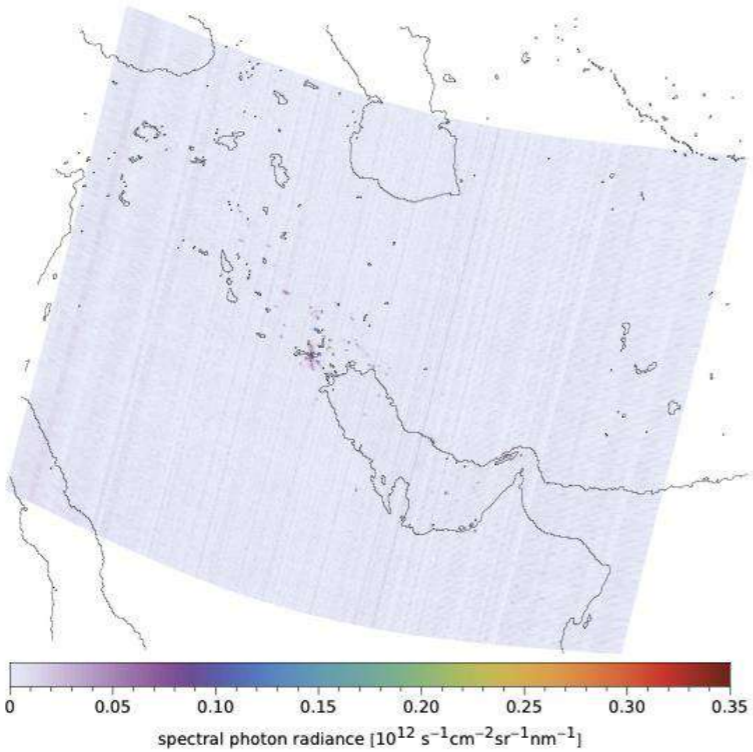



Figure 10: Spectral radiance at the SWIR continuum around the Persian Gulf at night in revolution 390.

## Kan iemand het licht uit doen in Basra?



**Paul Tol <P.J.J.T...>** Sunday, 19 November 201...  
To:  Ilse Aben;  Ruud Hoogeveen;  
 Richard van Hees;  Tim van Kempen

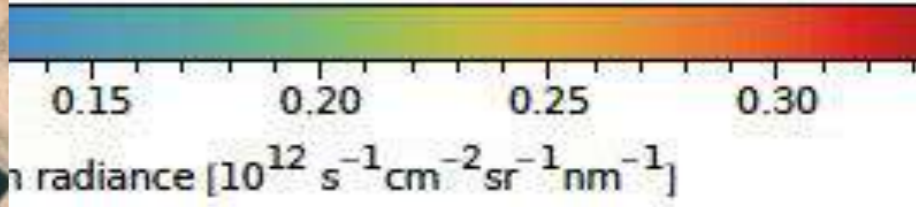
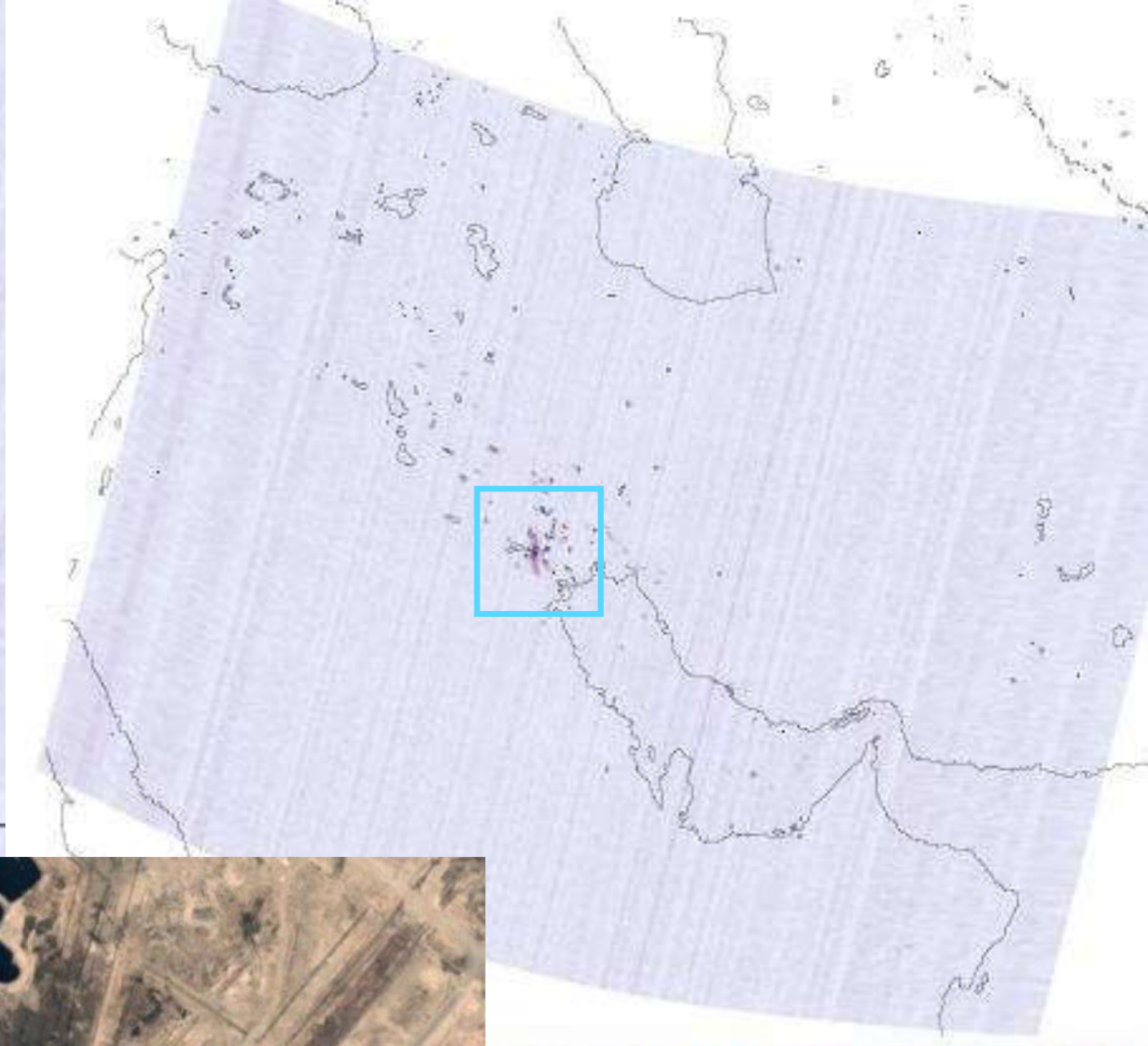
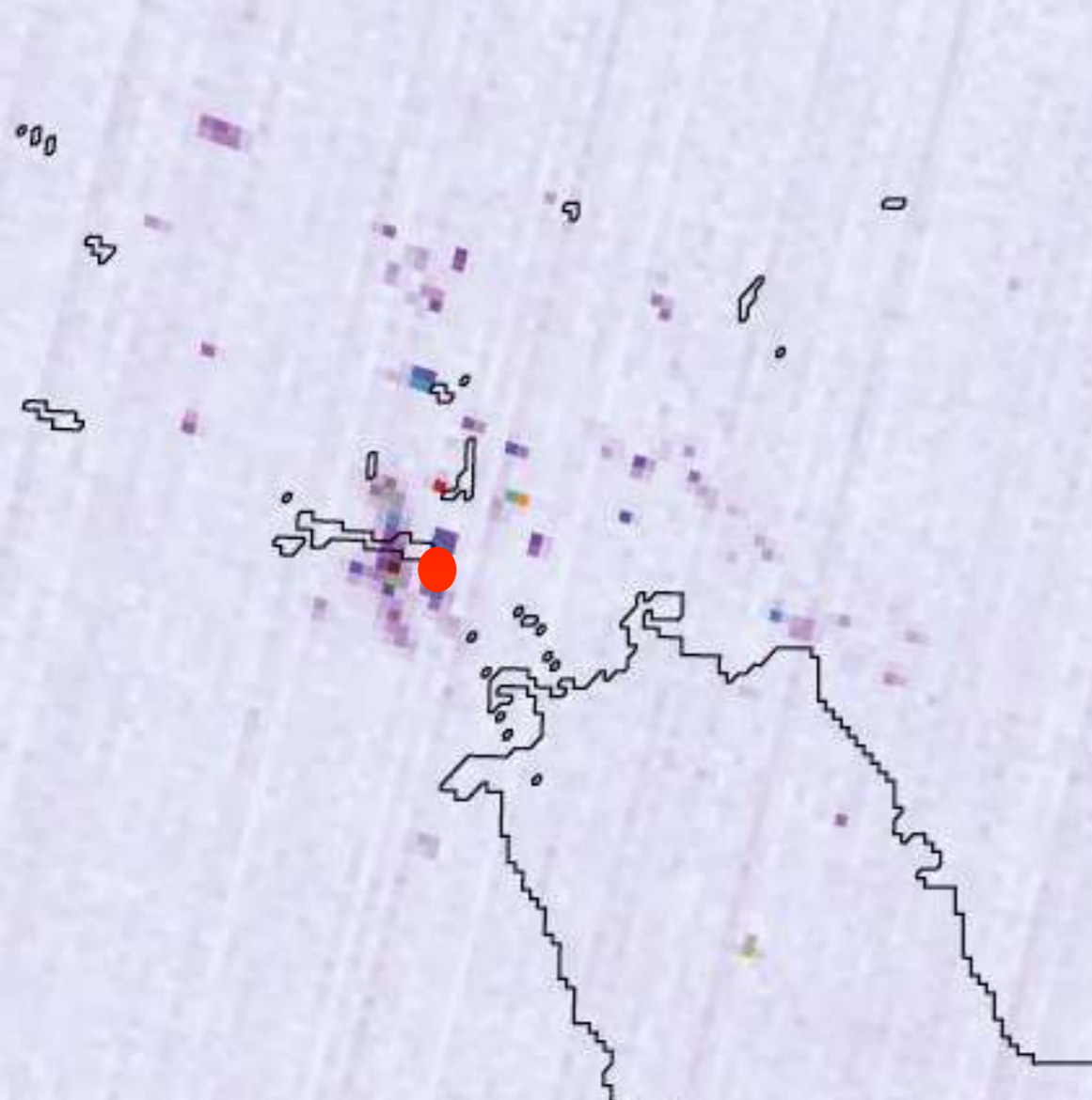
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Hier is een plot van de radiantie 's nachts rond de Perzische Golf. Bij Basra is de intensiteit 3% van de felste Sahara overdag.

Paul

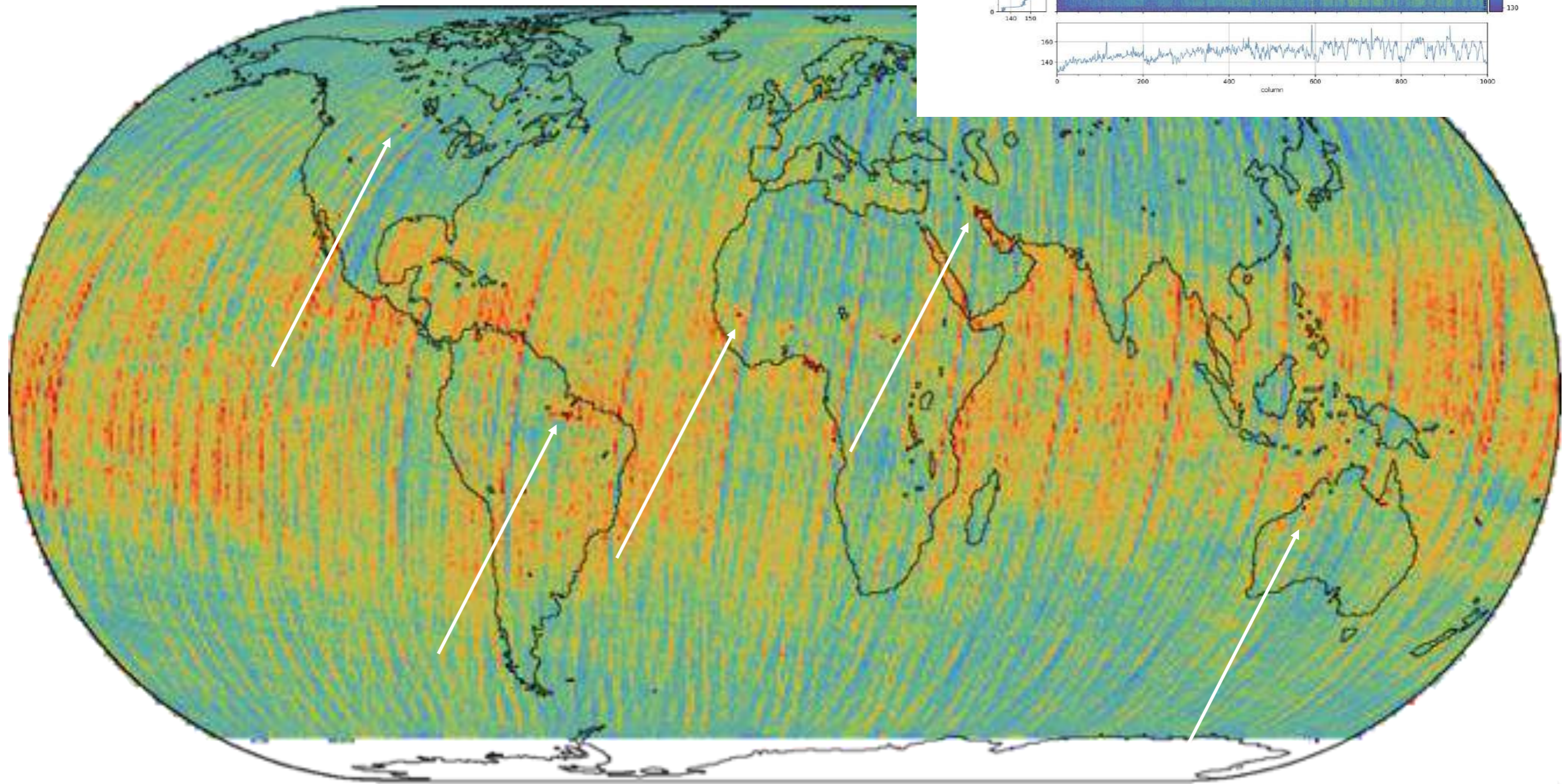




Oil fields around city of Basra, Iraq



19 Nov - 10 Dec



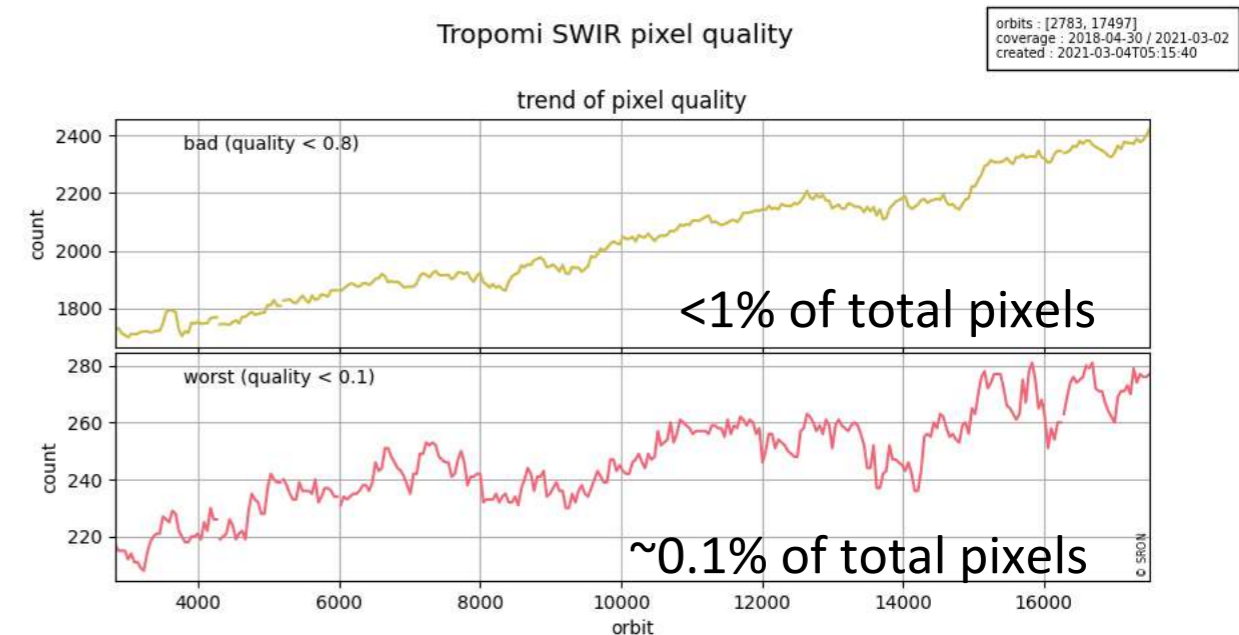
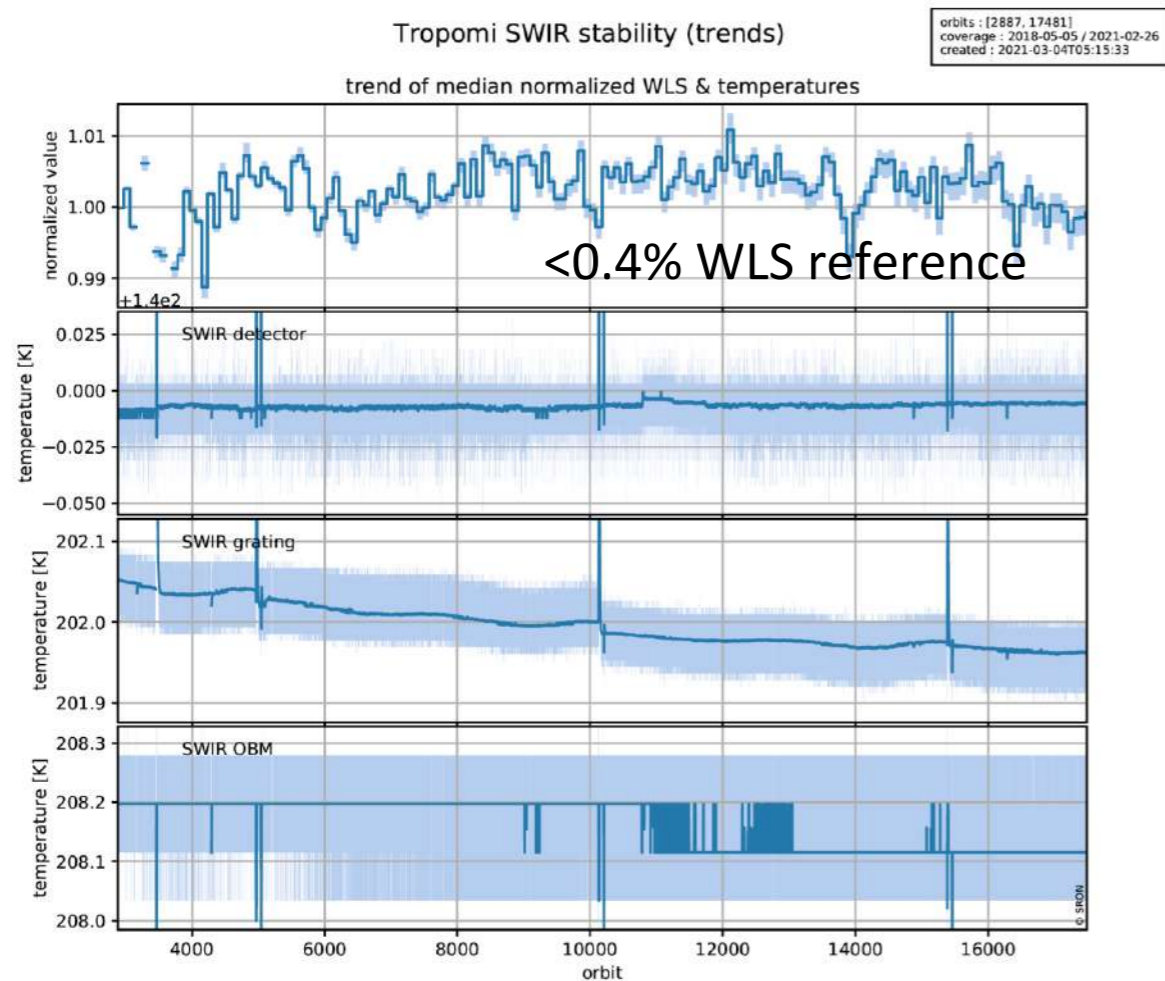
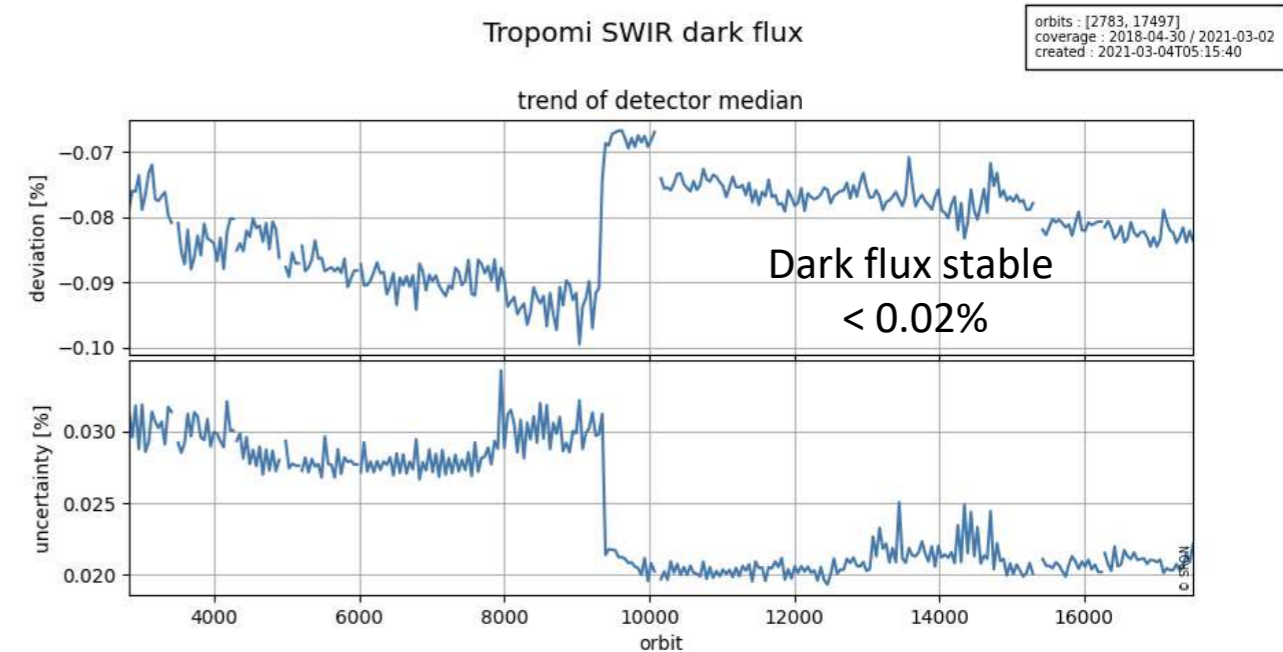
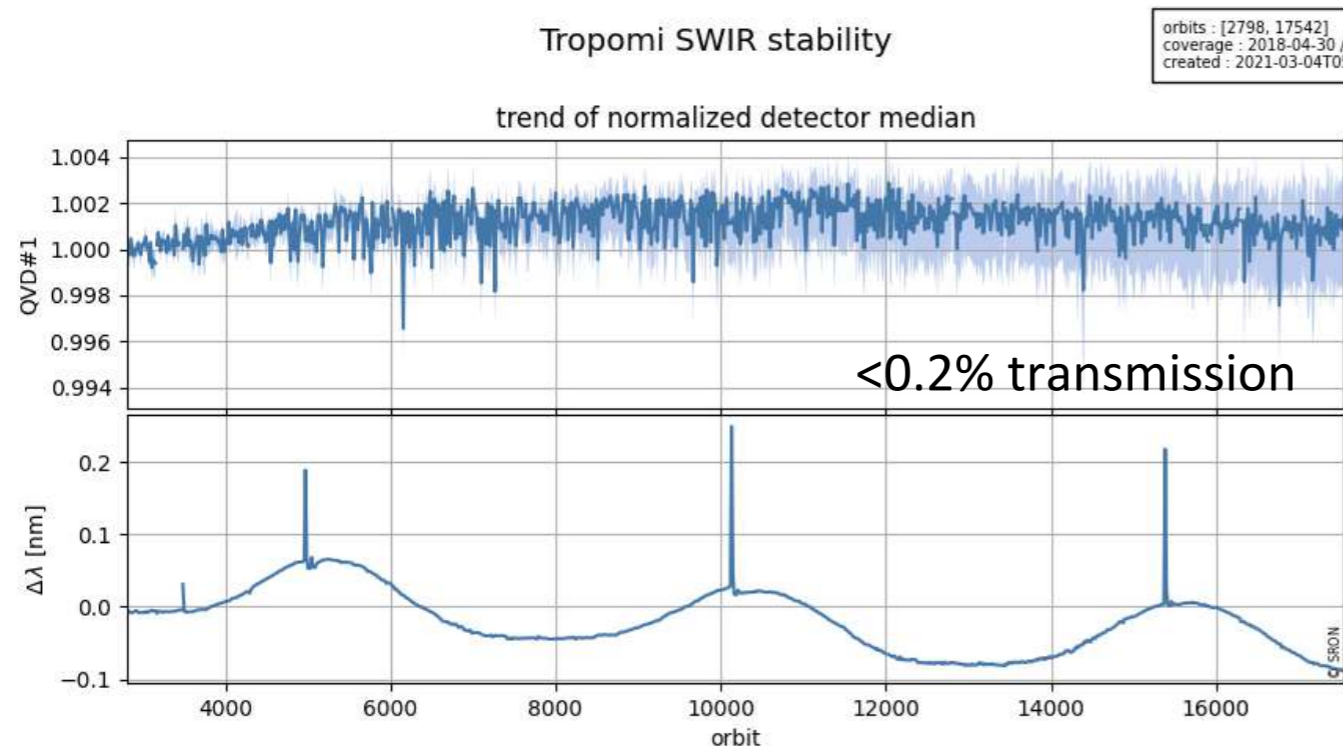
spectral photon radiance [ $10^{12} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1} \text{ nm}^{-1}$ ]

The Earth is not dark enough (!)



# Monitoring (1st year)

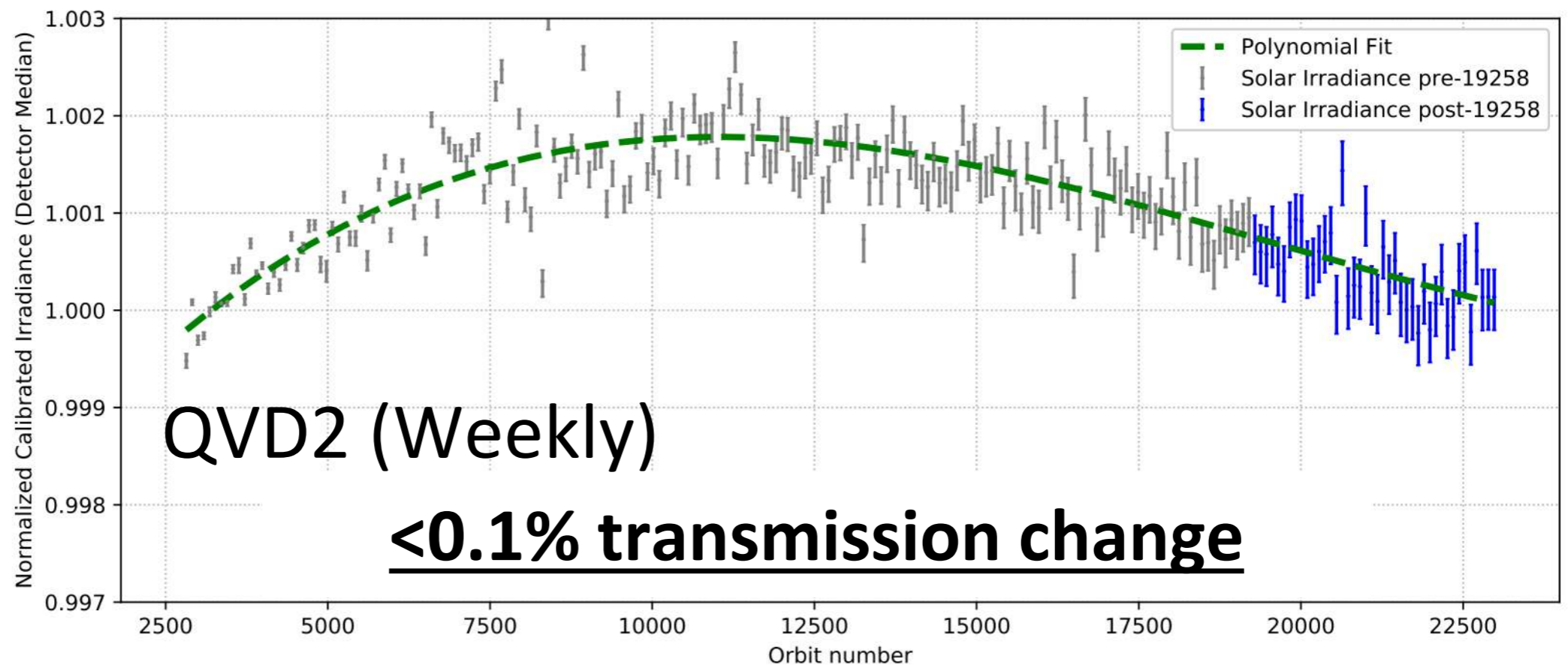
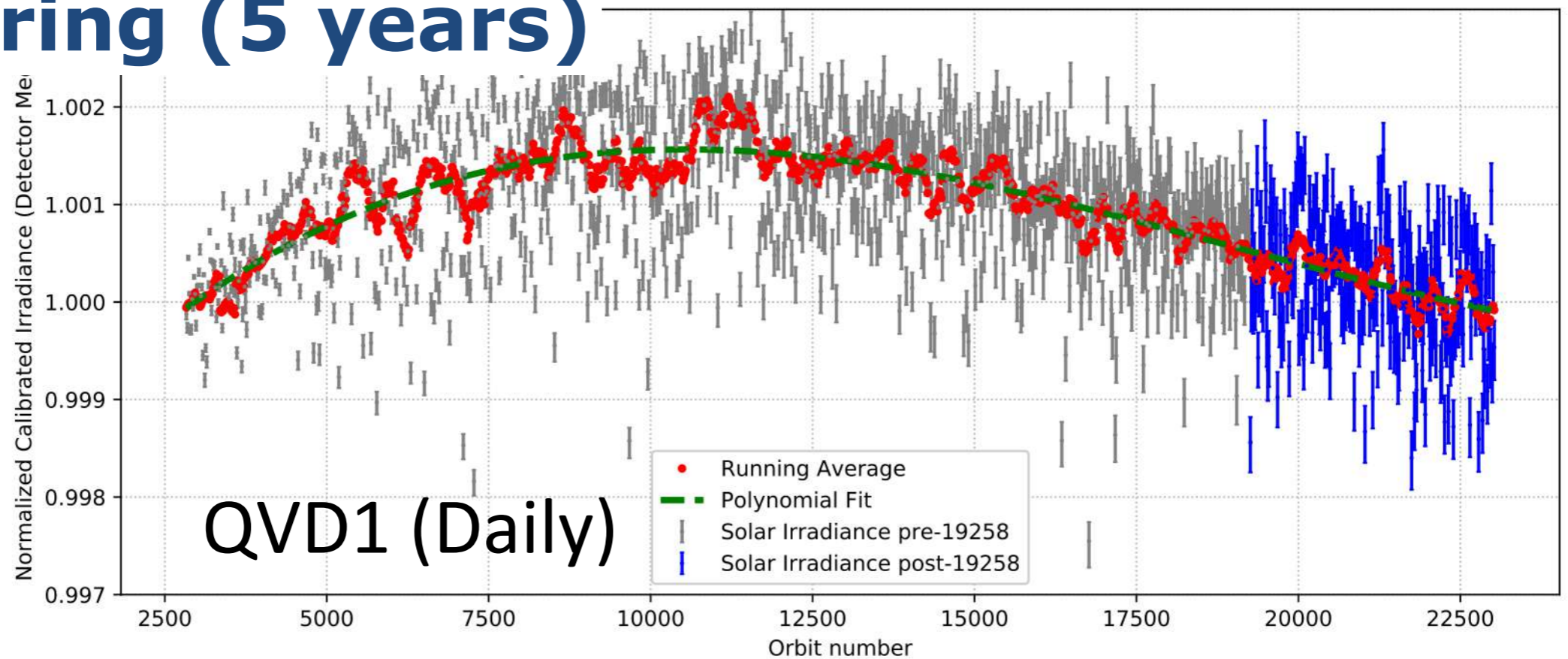
(<https://www.sron.nl/tropomi-swir-monitoring>)



Van Kempen et al., 2019, AMT, 12, 6287  
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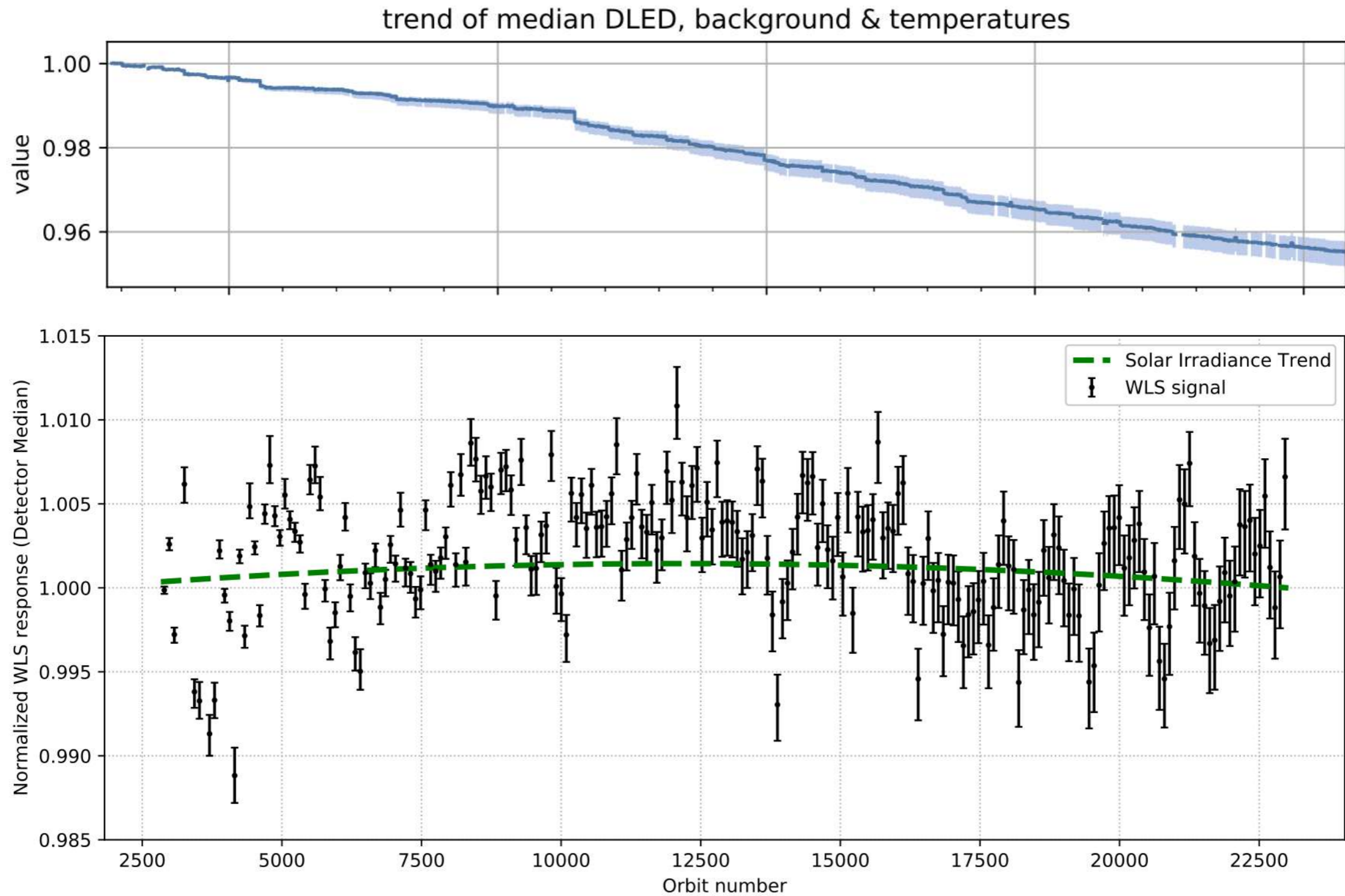


# Monitoring (5 years)



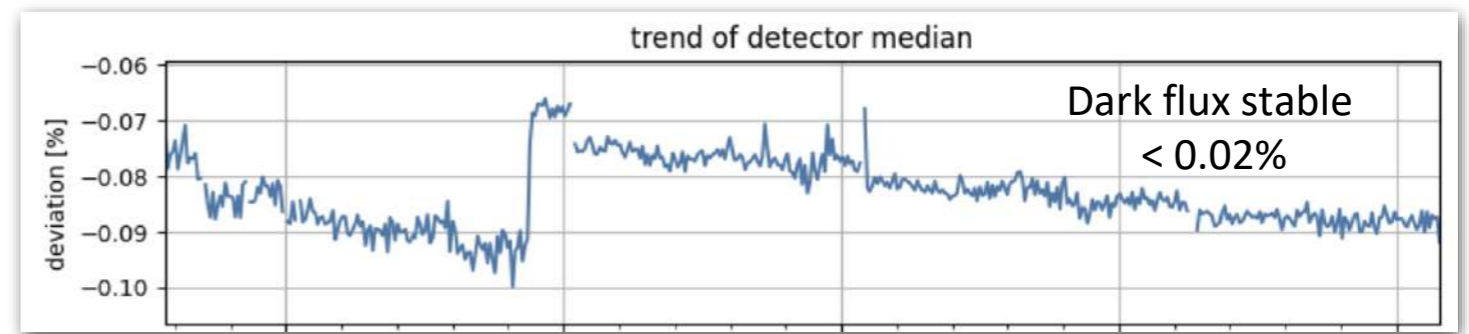


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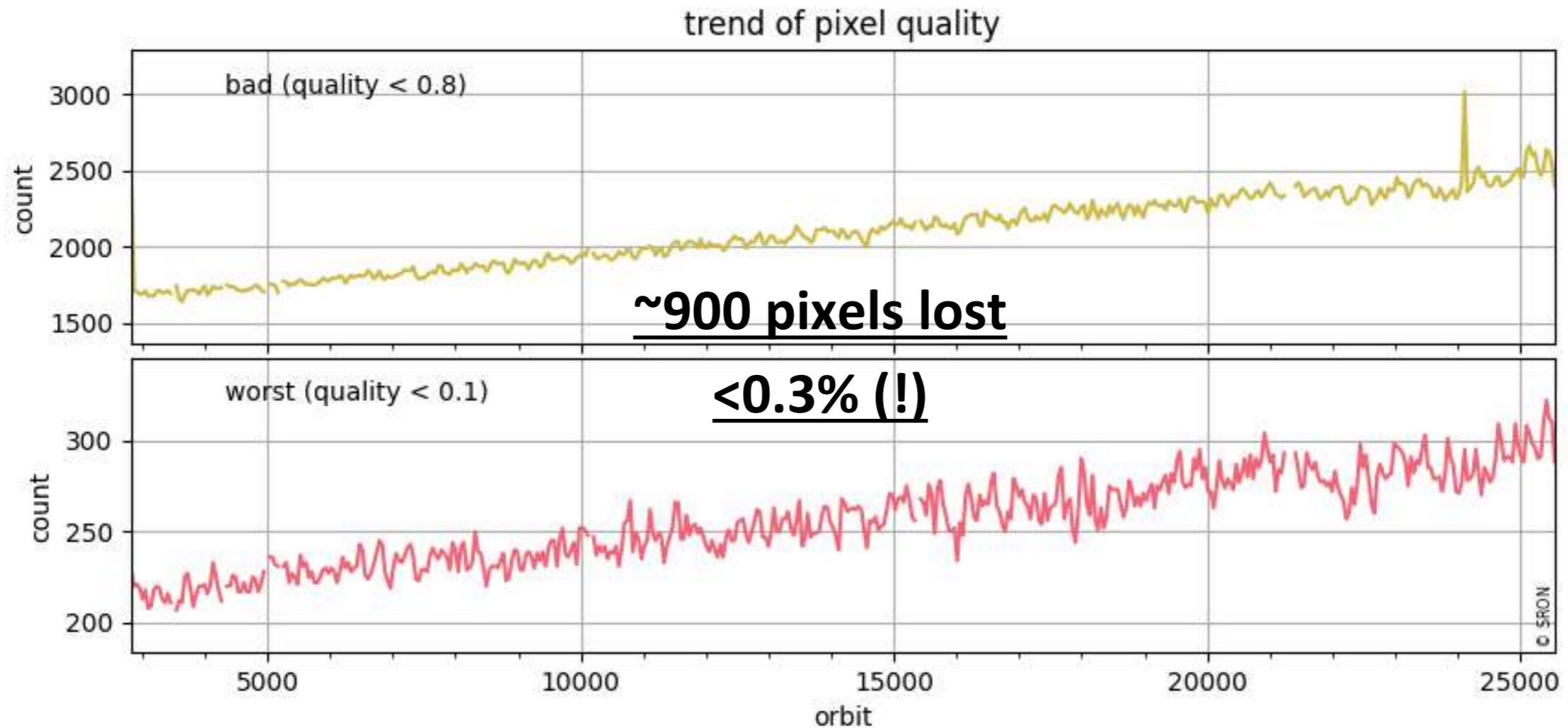


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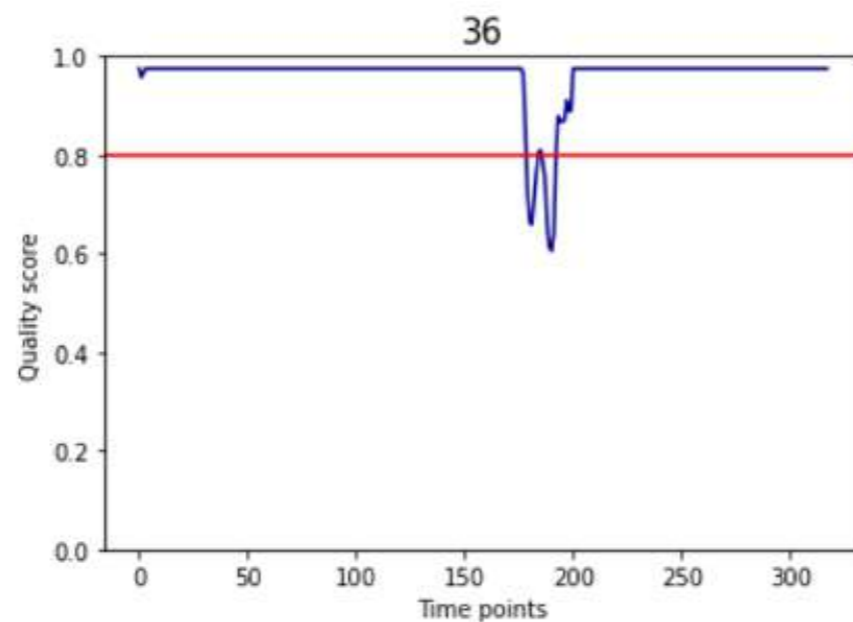
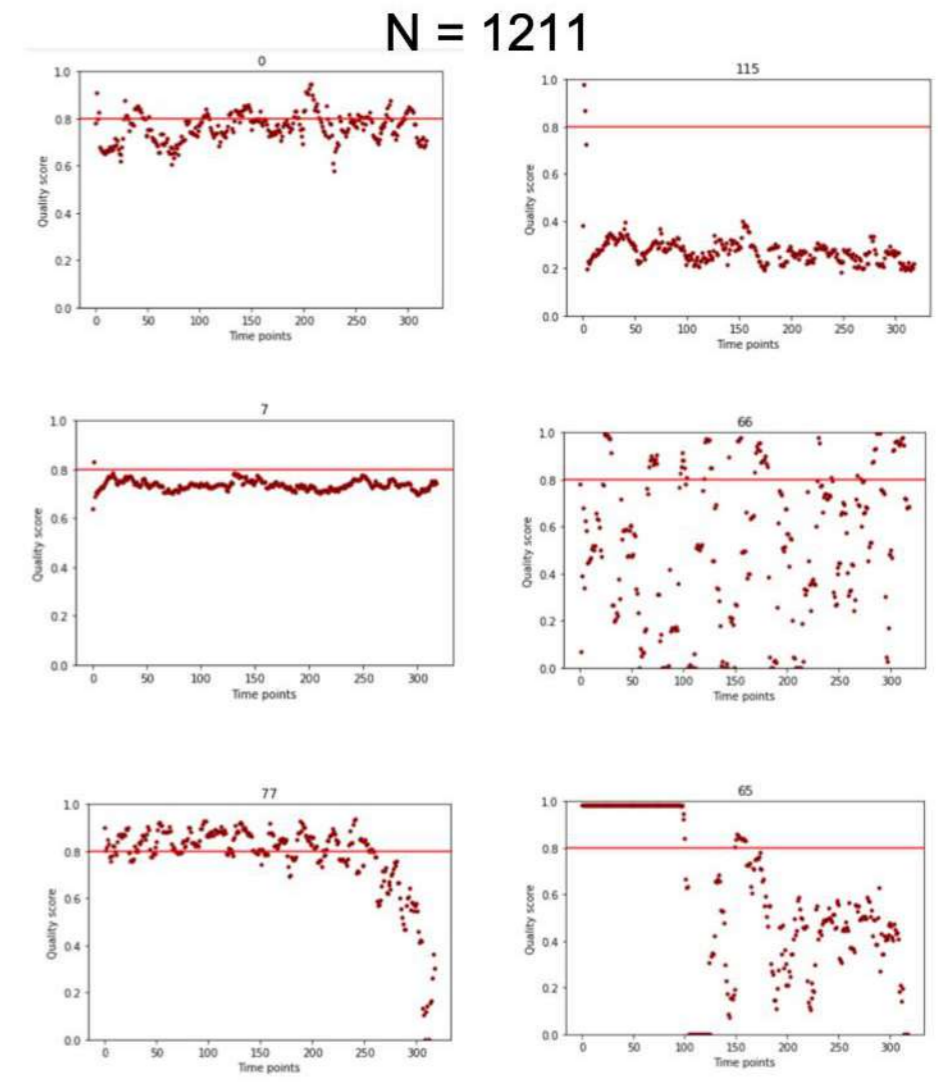
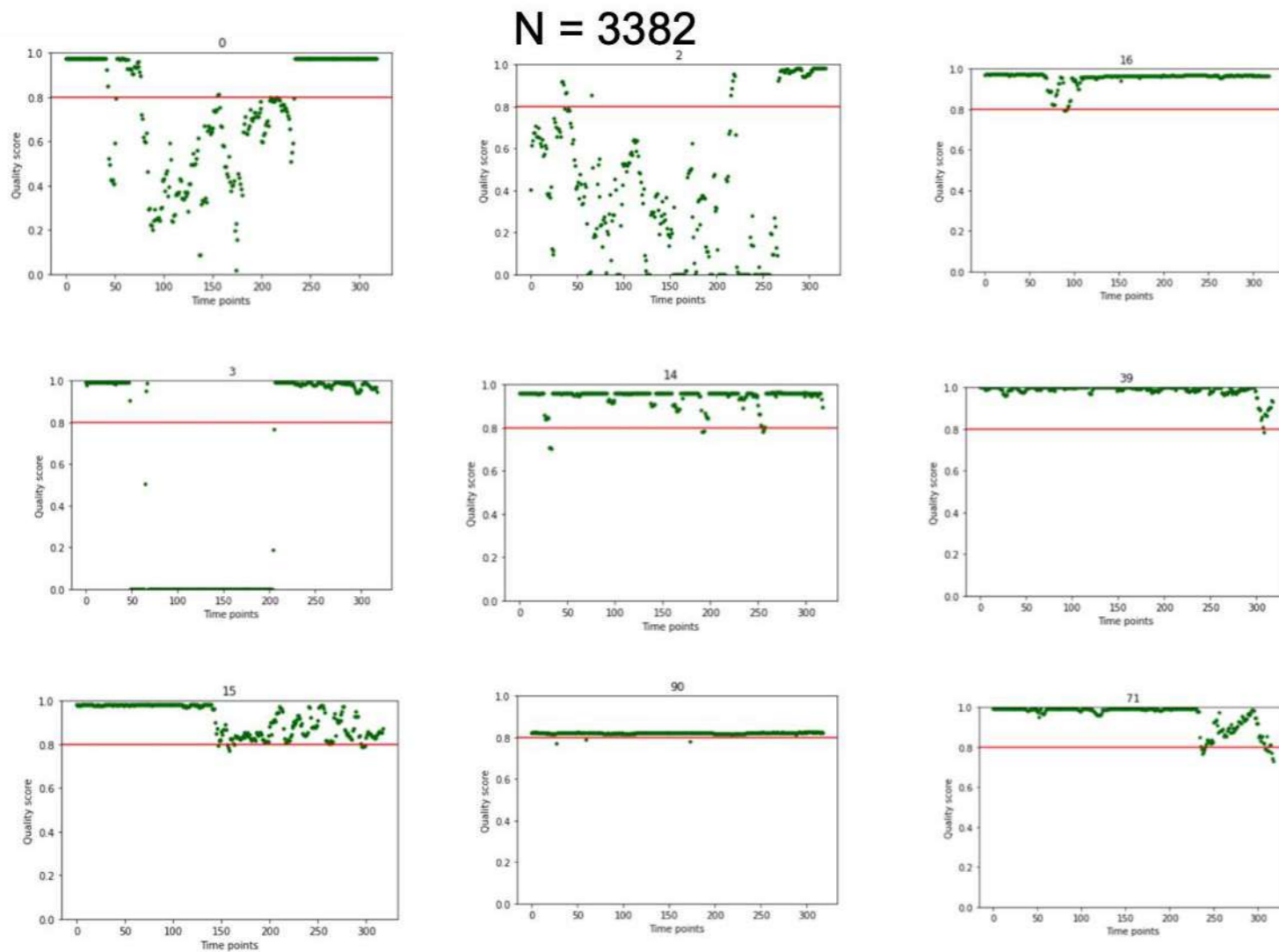
## Tropomi SWIR pixel quality

orbits : [2756, 25552]  
coverage : 2018-04-28 / 2022-09-18  
created : 2022-09-21T04:16:18





# Reliable (green) and Unreliable quality progression plots



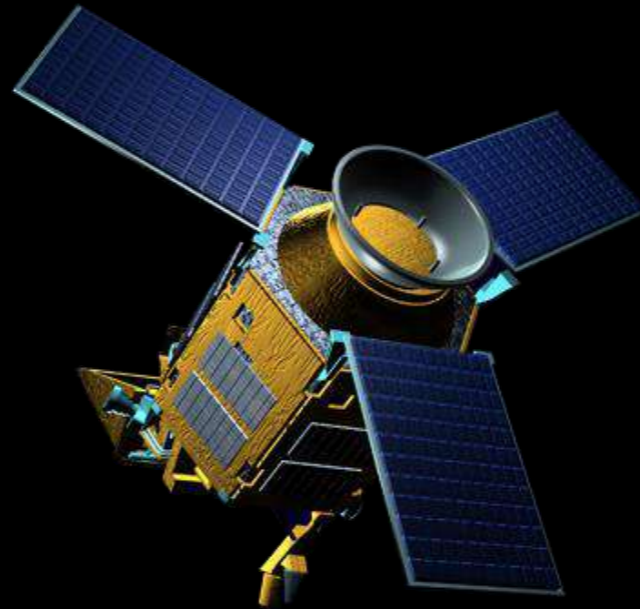
$N_{\text{aff}} = 1$   
 $N_{\text{rec}} = 1$   
 $N_{\text{bad}} = 12$

- Small number permanently lost<sup>9</sup> (~0.05% vs 0.3%)
- Recovery 0.25%  
'average' = 54 days

Lobanova & van Kempen, memo  
Van Kempen & Hoogeveen, 2024+



AMAZING STABILITY !  
IS IT TRUE?  
PROBABLY...  
BUT WE WANT TO BE (MORE) SURE



VICARIOUS CALIBRATION

INDEPENDENT L1B VALIDATION

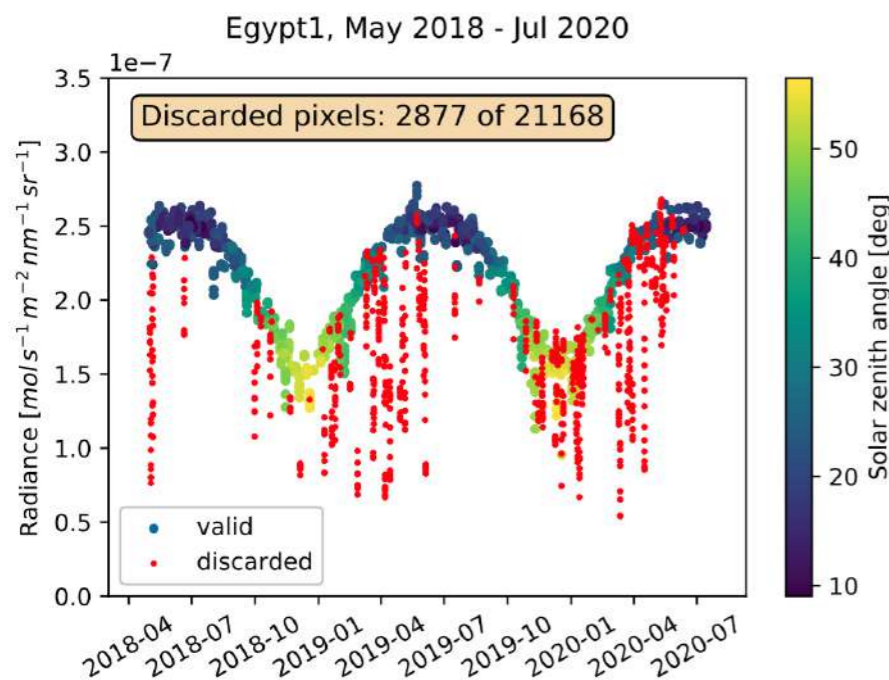
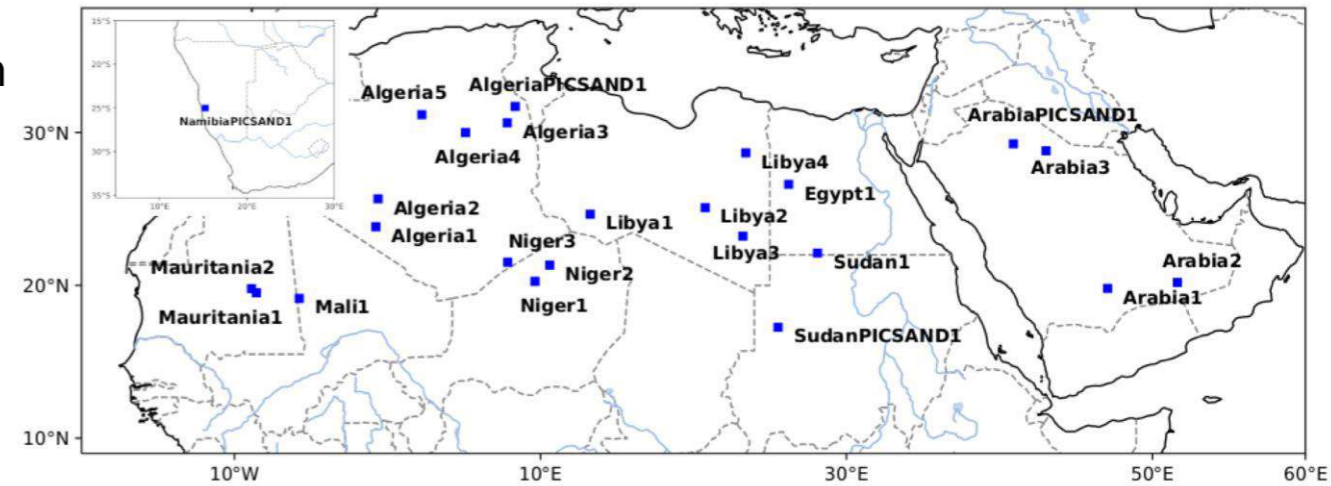


# Monitoring of 'Saharan' desert sites

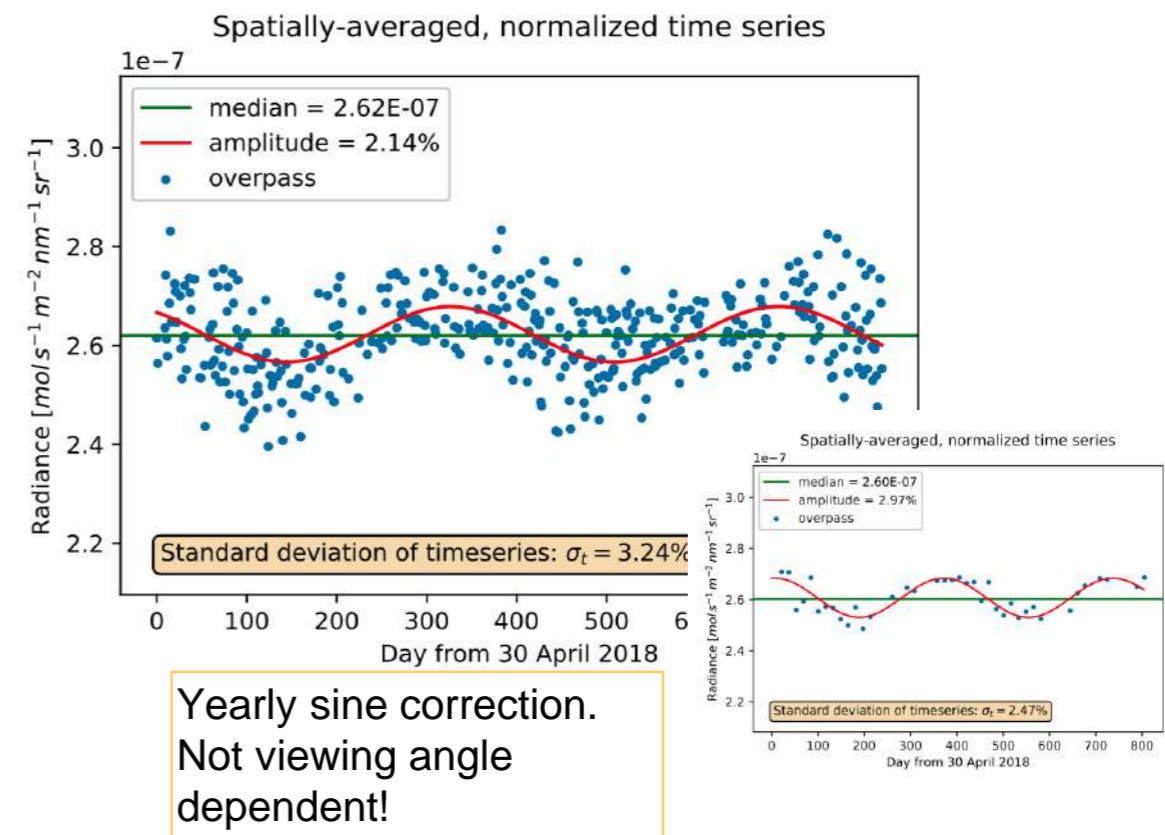
- 23 PICS (*Bacour et al., 2019*)

- **GOALS**

- Monitor TROPOMI-SWIR stability using 2312.8 nm continuum from o L1b radiance
- Validate Calibration and Instrument Stability from SRON monitoring program (within XX%)
- Develop monitoring program for next-gen small-sat missions
- Evaluate stability/quality of sites at SWIR wavelengths

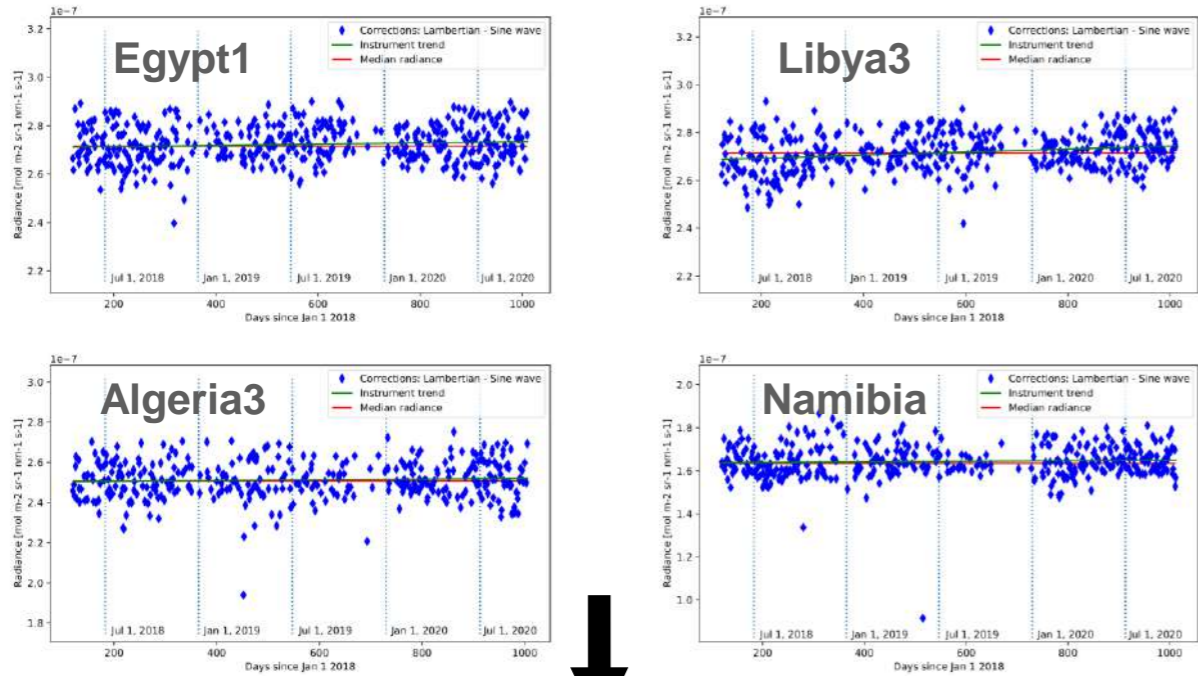


SZA normalisation  
 Cloud filter  
 High SZA filter  
 High IZA filter  
 Assume Lambertian surface

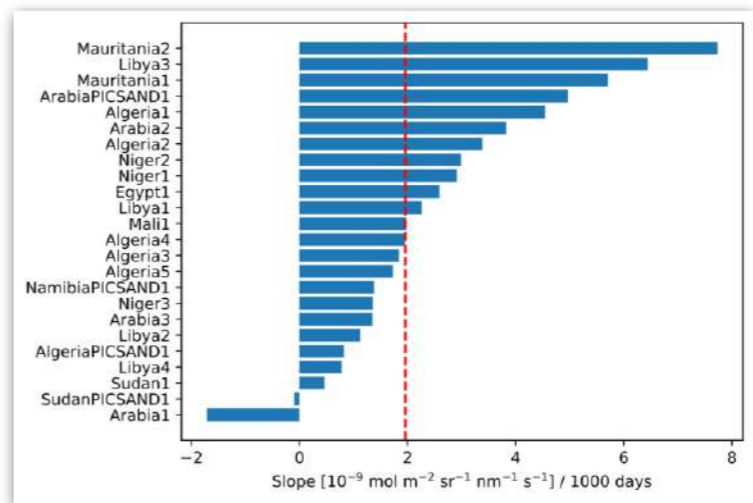




# Validation of L1b SWIR calibration and instrument monitoring (~0.8%)

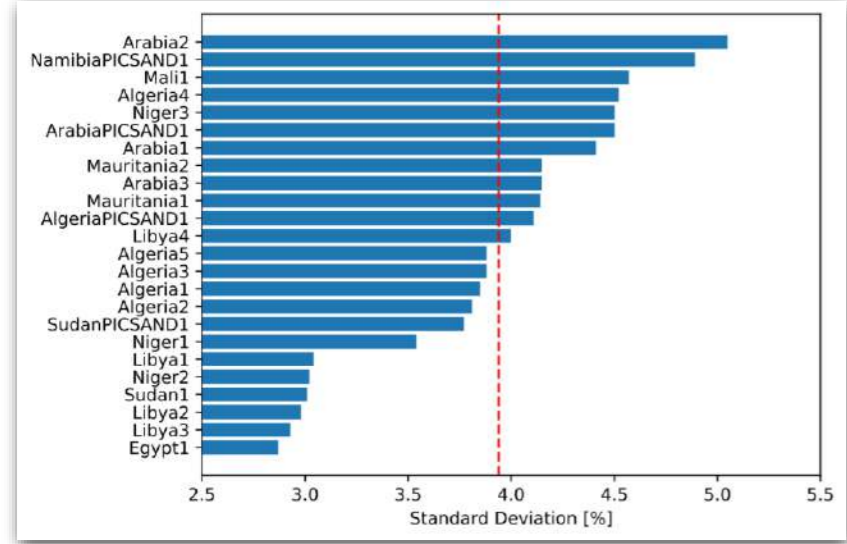


Slope of Linear fit

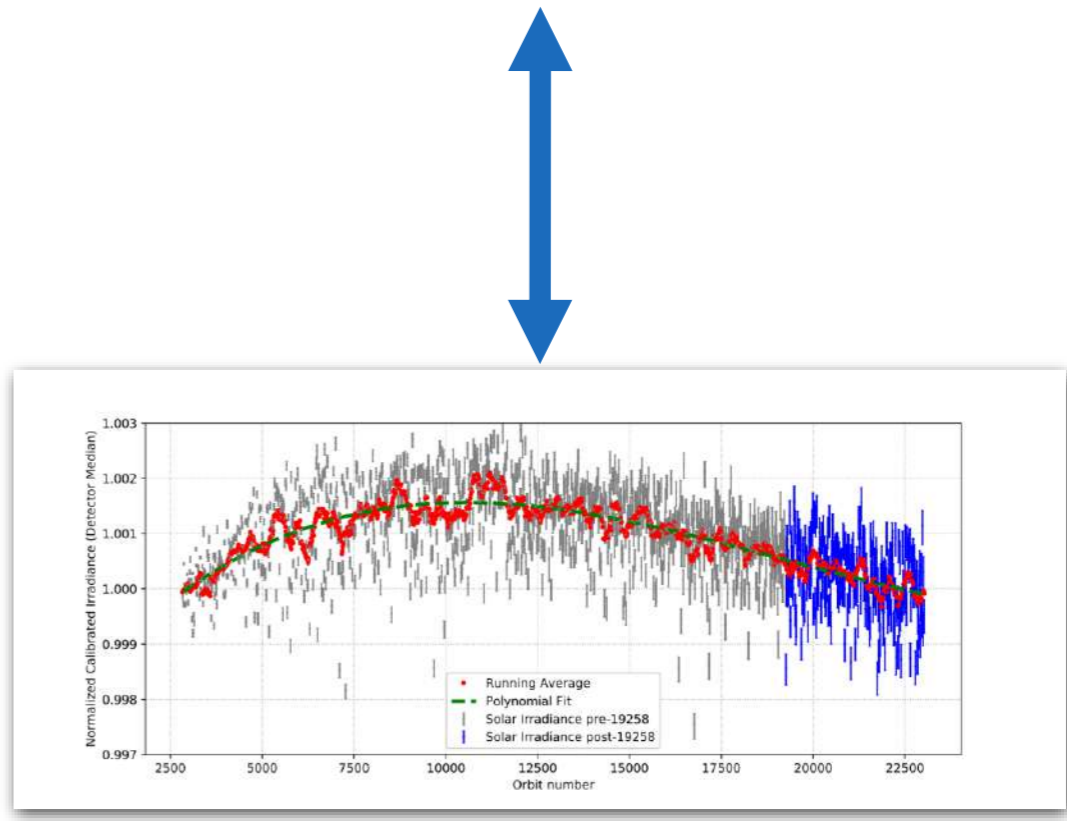


Instrument degradation < 0.8 %

Standard Deviation



Mean for STDEV 4-5%  
Selected sites < 3 %

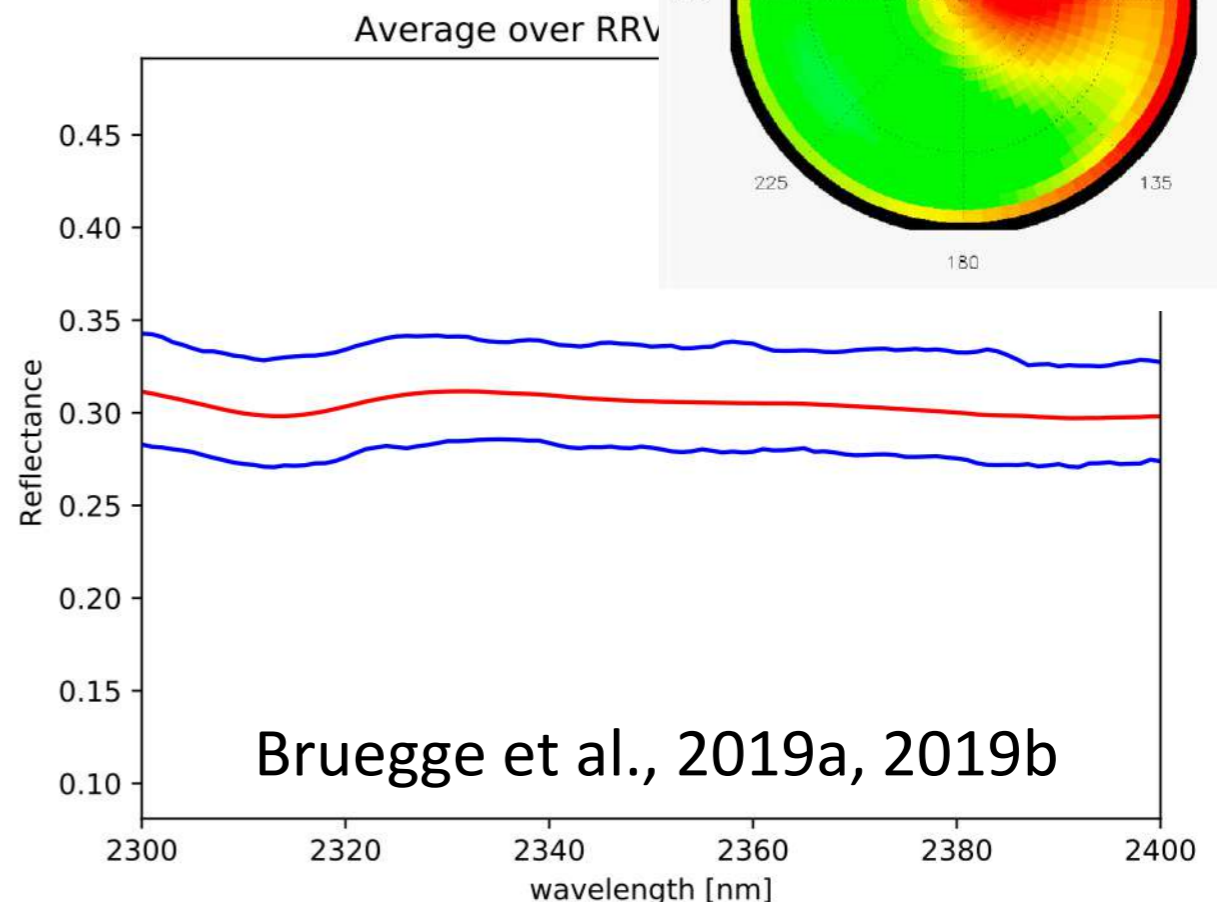
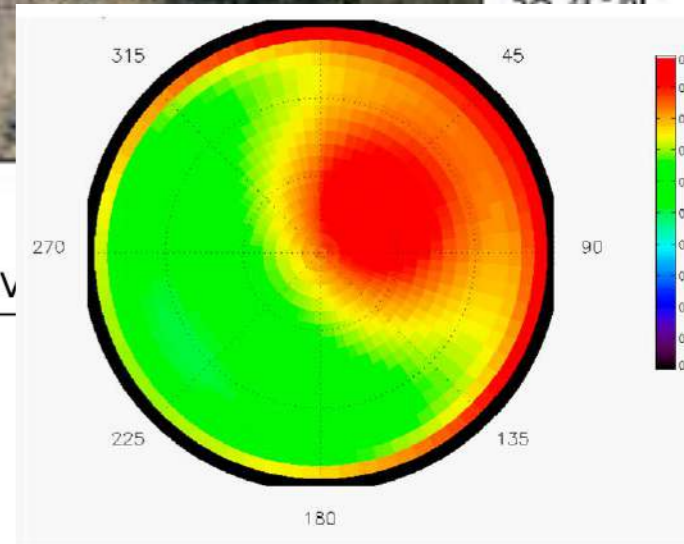
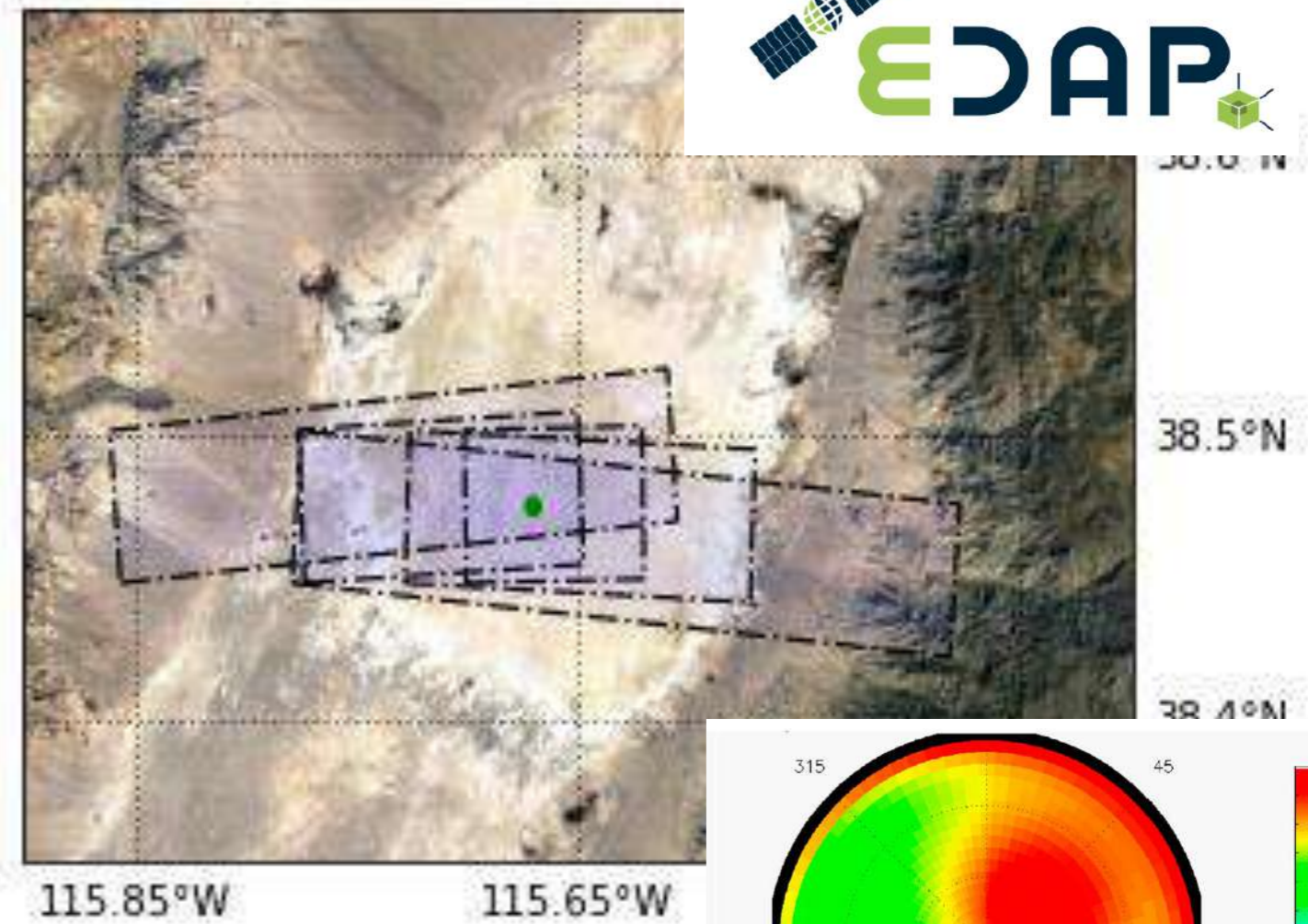


Instrument degradation ~ 0.1 %

# Railroad Valley Playa



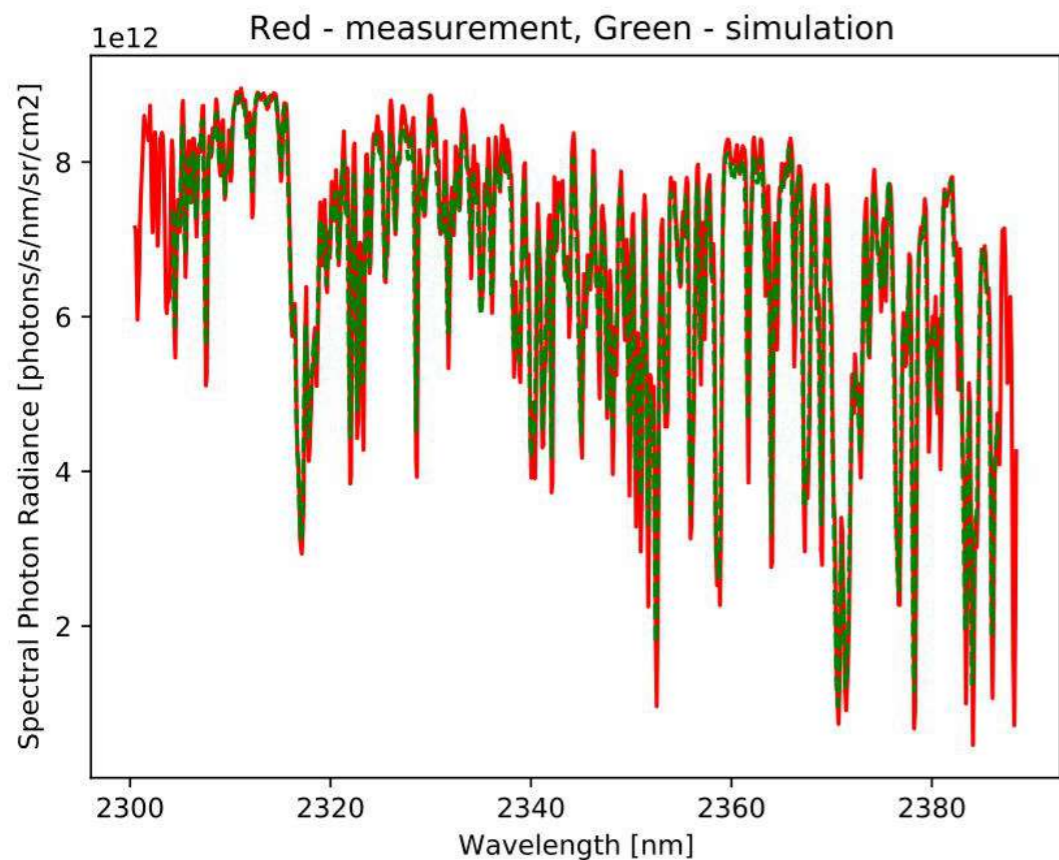
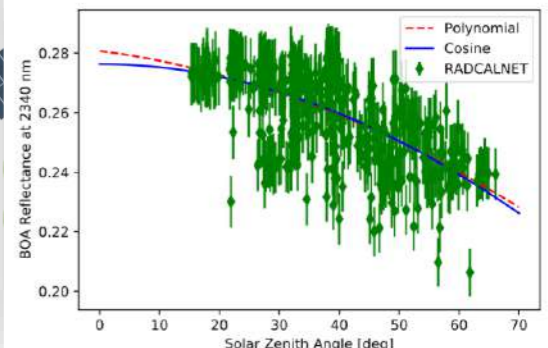
- TROPOMI-SWIR has **daily** overpasses over Railroad Valley (RVUS) Playa in central Nevada, ranging from 66 East to 66 West viewing zenith angles
- TROPOMI pixel is rectangular and large
  - Pixel size depends on viewing angle and scan time
  - 5.5x7 to 7x26 km<sup>2</sup>
- Flat salt basin
  - No vegetation.
  - Low aerosol optical depth
  - *Non-Lambertian surface*
- ~Yearly campaigns OCO-2 + GOSAT teams.





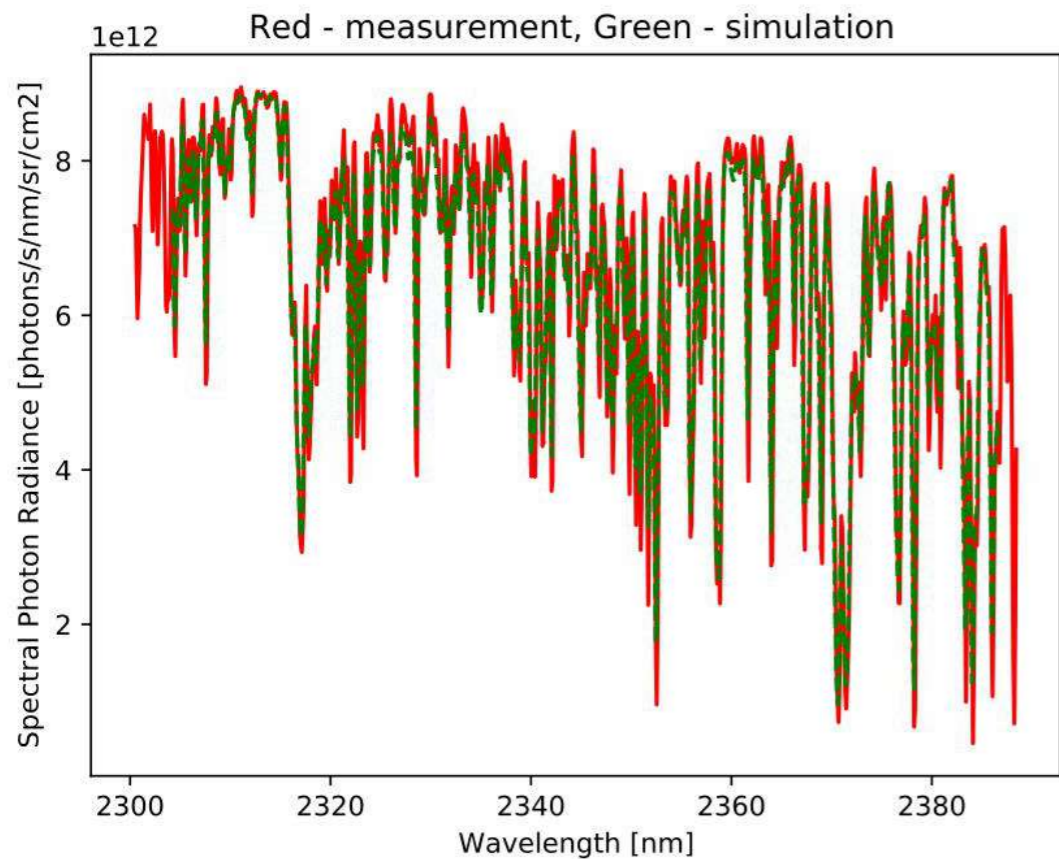
# Example orbit July 4th 2020 - Two ground measurements

04/07/2020,orbit 14123/MDN\_GOSAT albedo:0.401

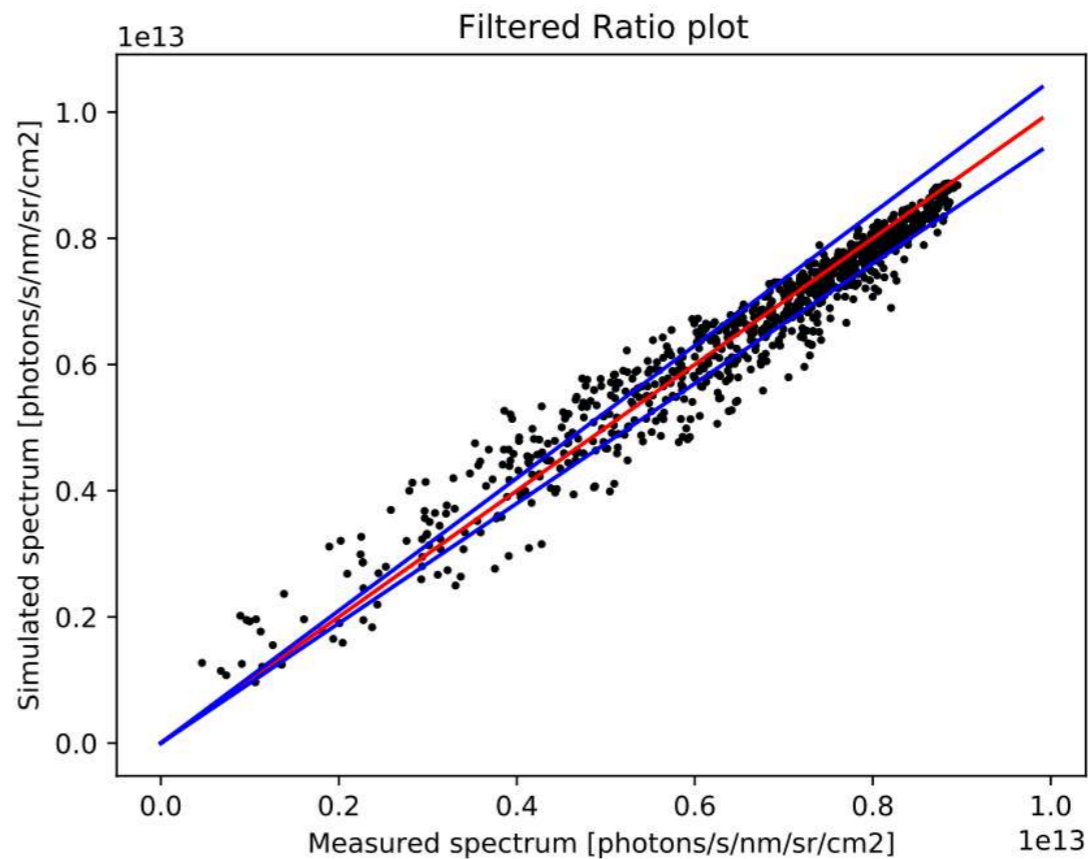


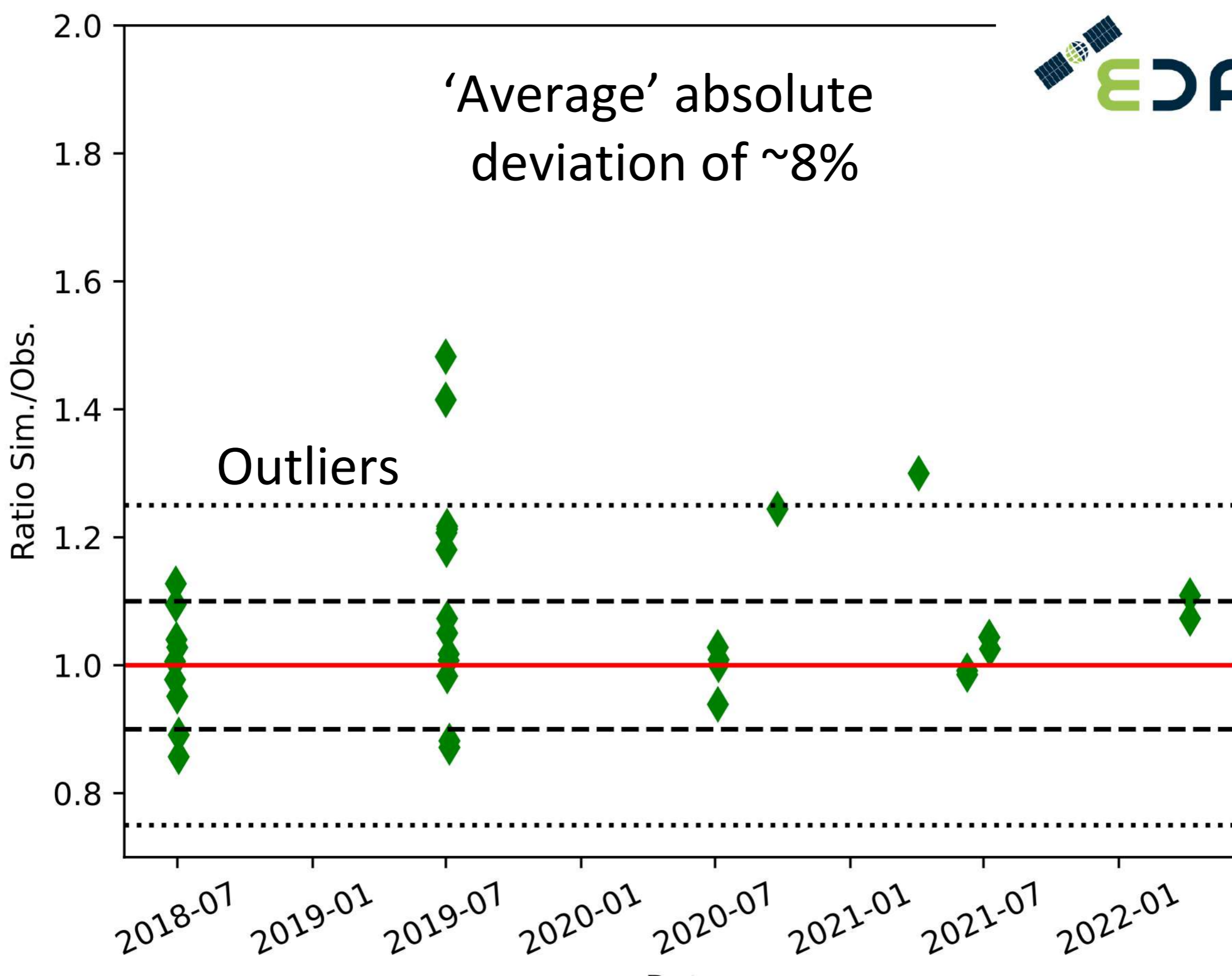
Input	
Reflectance	0.369 (2.3 $\mu\text{m}$ )
norm_BRF (mRPV method)	1.081
AOD	0.02 (at 760 nm)
SZA	21.1
SAZ	-126.54
IZA	<b>35.12</b>
IAZ	-95.18

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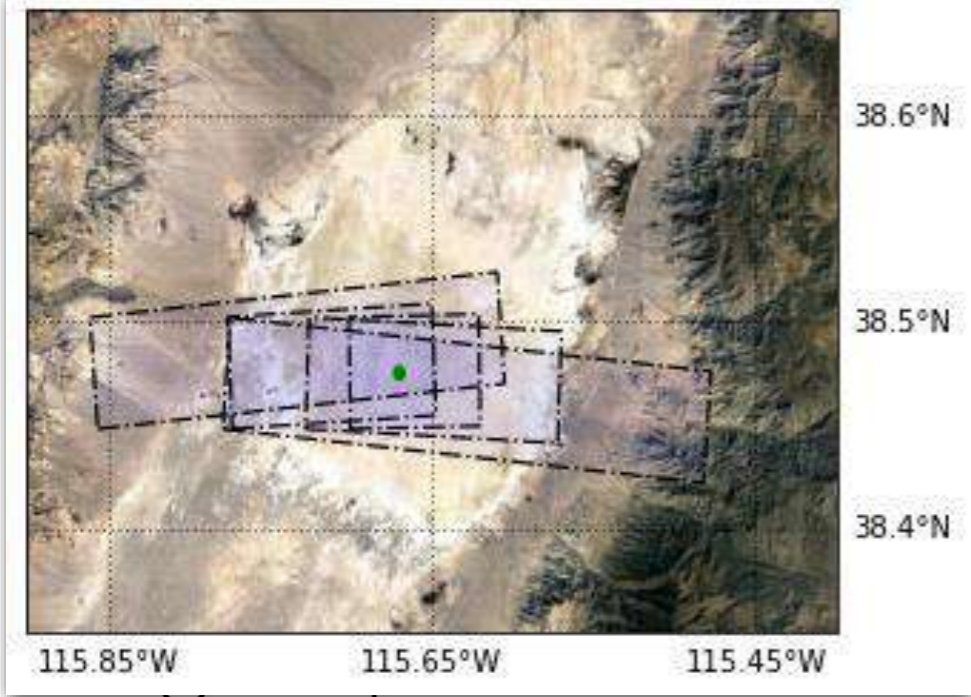


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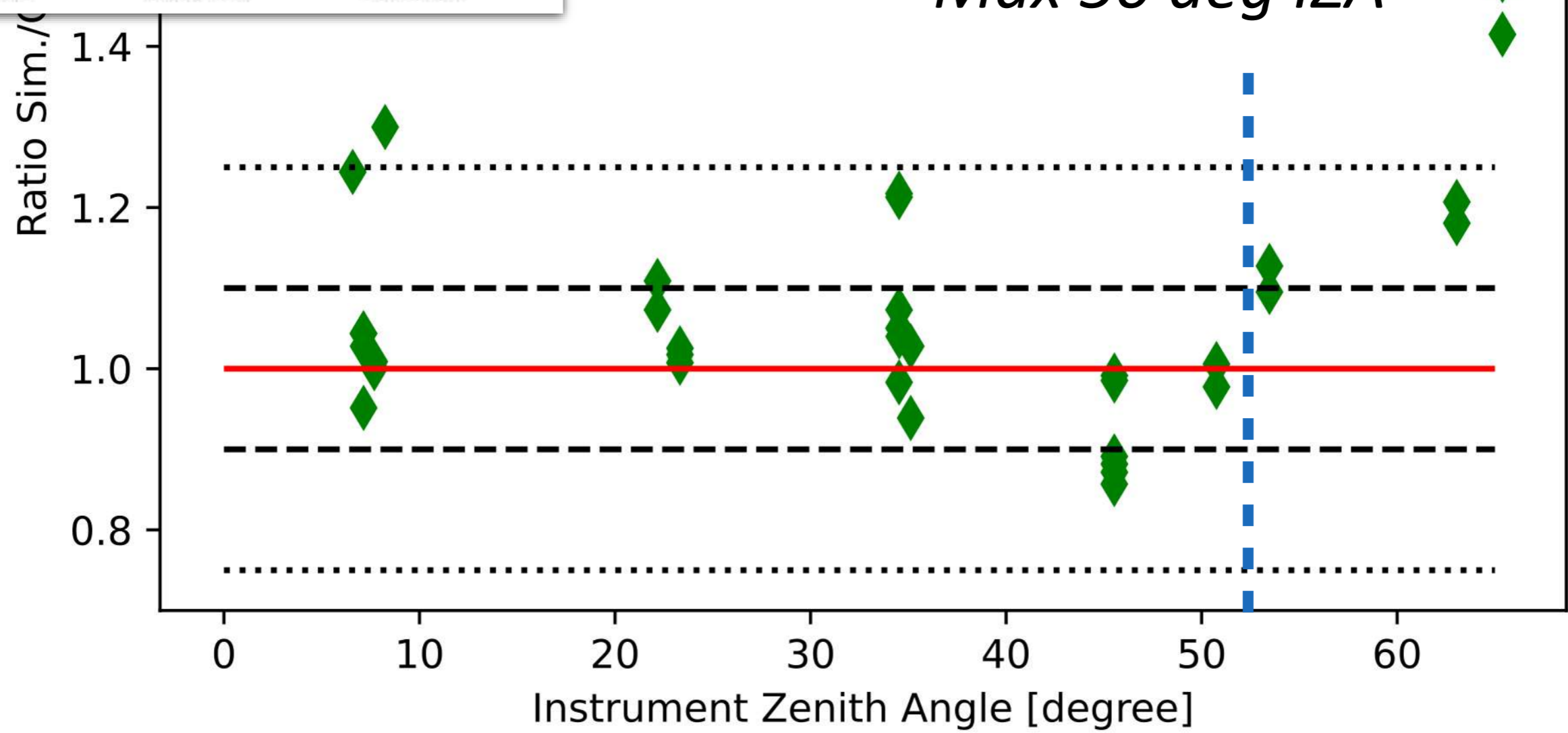


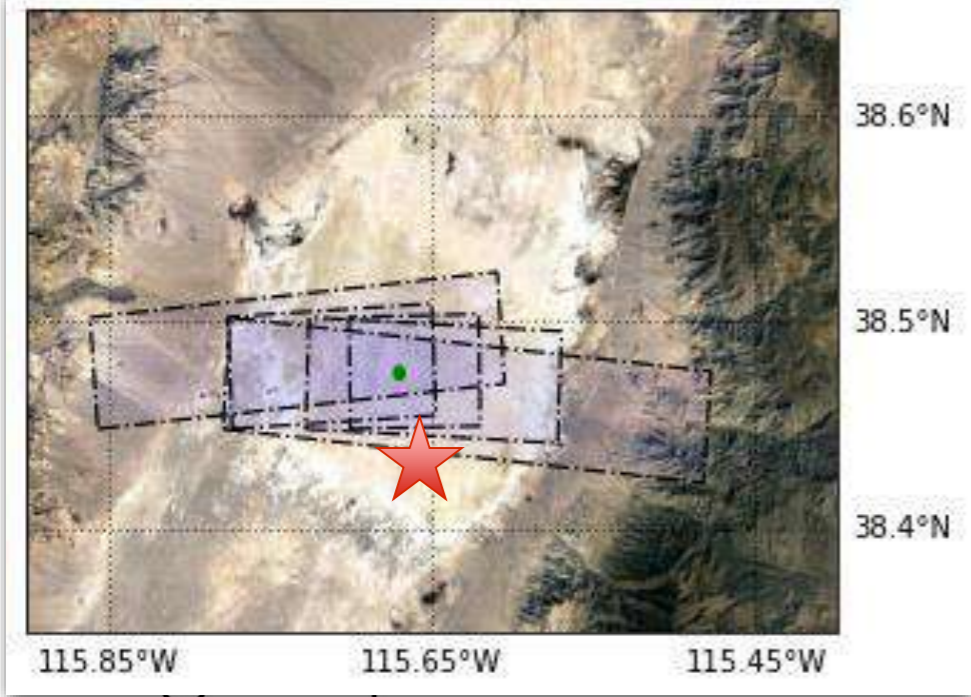




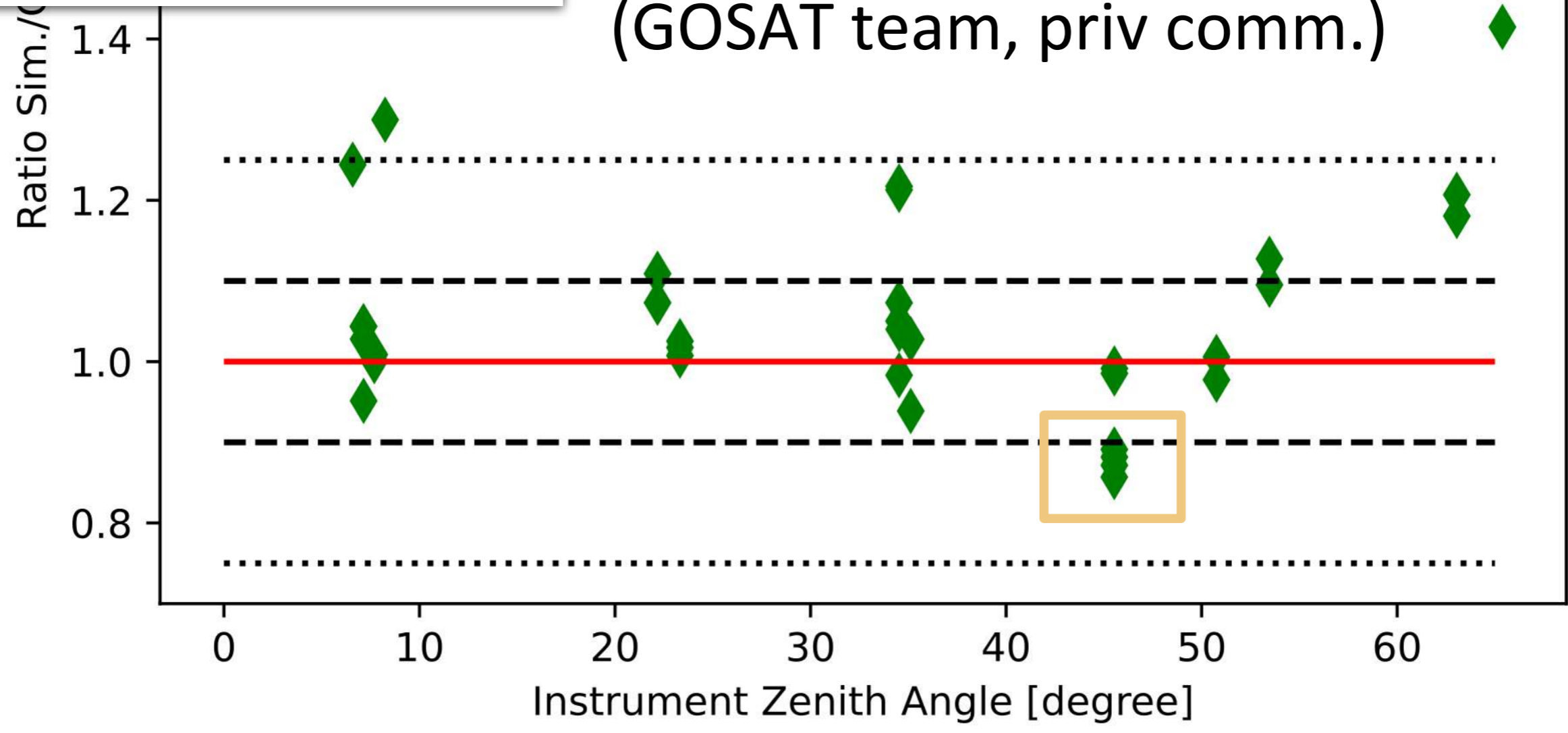


*Max 50 deg IZA*

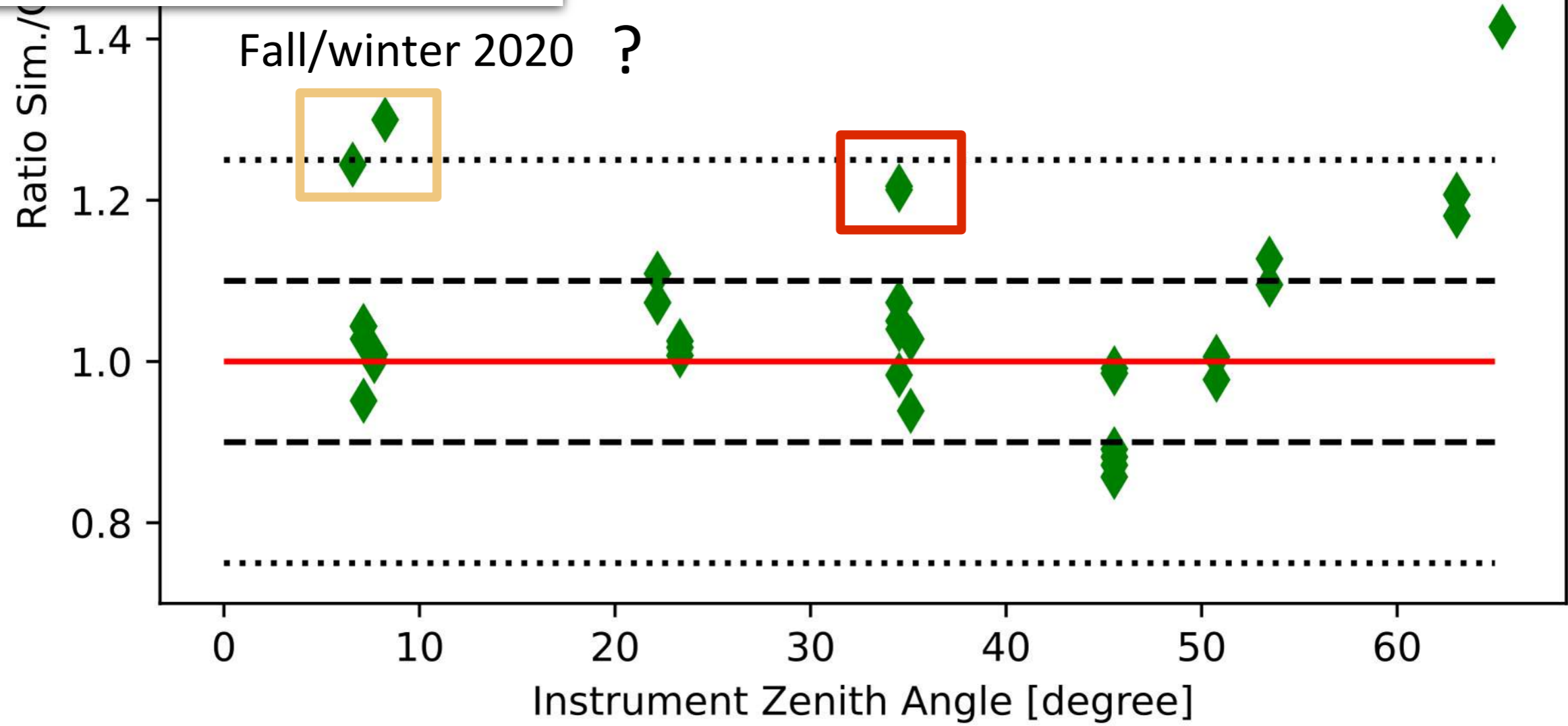
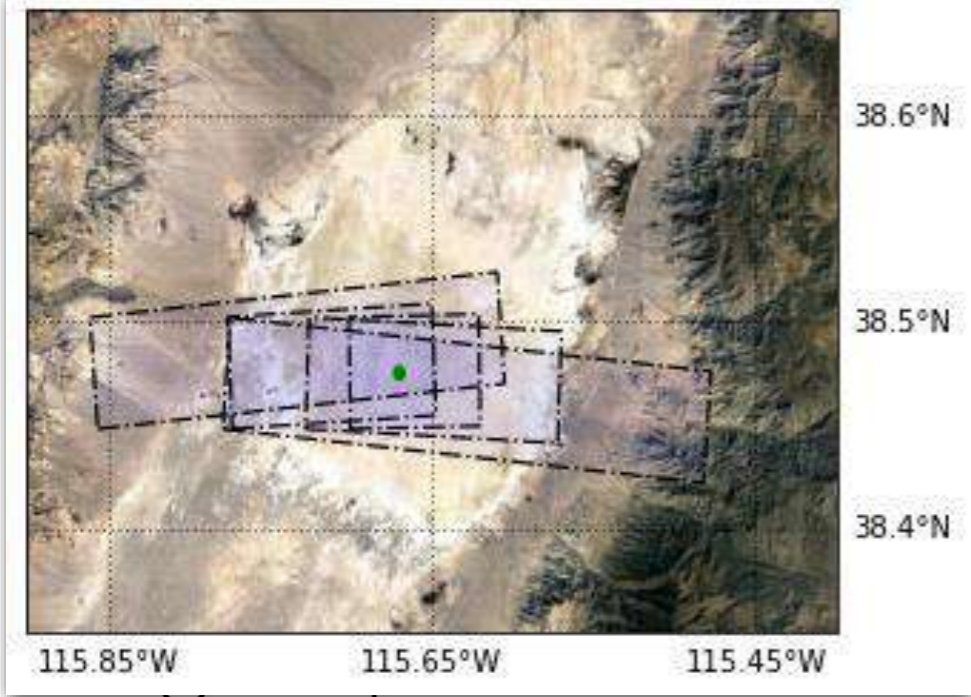




RRV south,  
different Albedo?  
(GOSAT team, priv comm.)







# Conclusions 5 years TROPOMI-SWIR

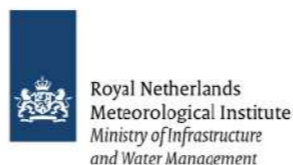
- TROPOMI-SWIR module is extremely stable
  - $<0.1\%$  degradation in transmission
  - $\sim 0.3\%$  pixel loss

***Continuation of 1 year conclusions to 5 years  
if trends continue: SWIR easily good for another 5-15 years***
- Vicarious Calibration
  - Limited results. TROPOMI-SWIR might be 'too good'
  - Sahara Desert: Instrument degradation  $< 0.8\%$
  - RRV : Radiometric calibration  $\sim 8-10\%$ , 'biased'  $\sim 5\%$ 
    - Large pixels (IZA dependent)
    - BRDF (5-10%)
    - Time (2nd order, 3-4%)
    - Reference Measurement uncertainty (2-3%)
    - TROPOMI Solar Irradiance product ( $<1\%$ )
    - Solar Irradiance lines ( $<1\%$ )





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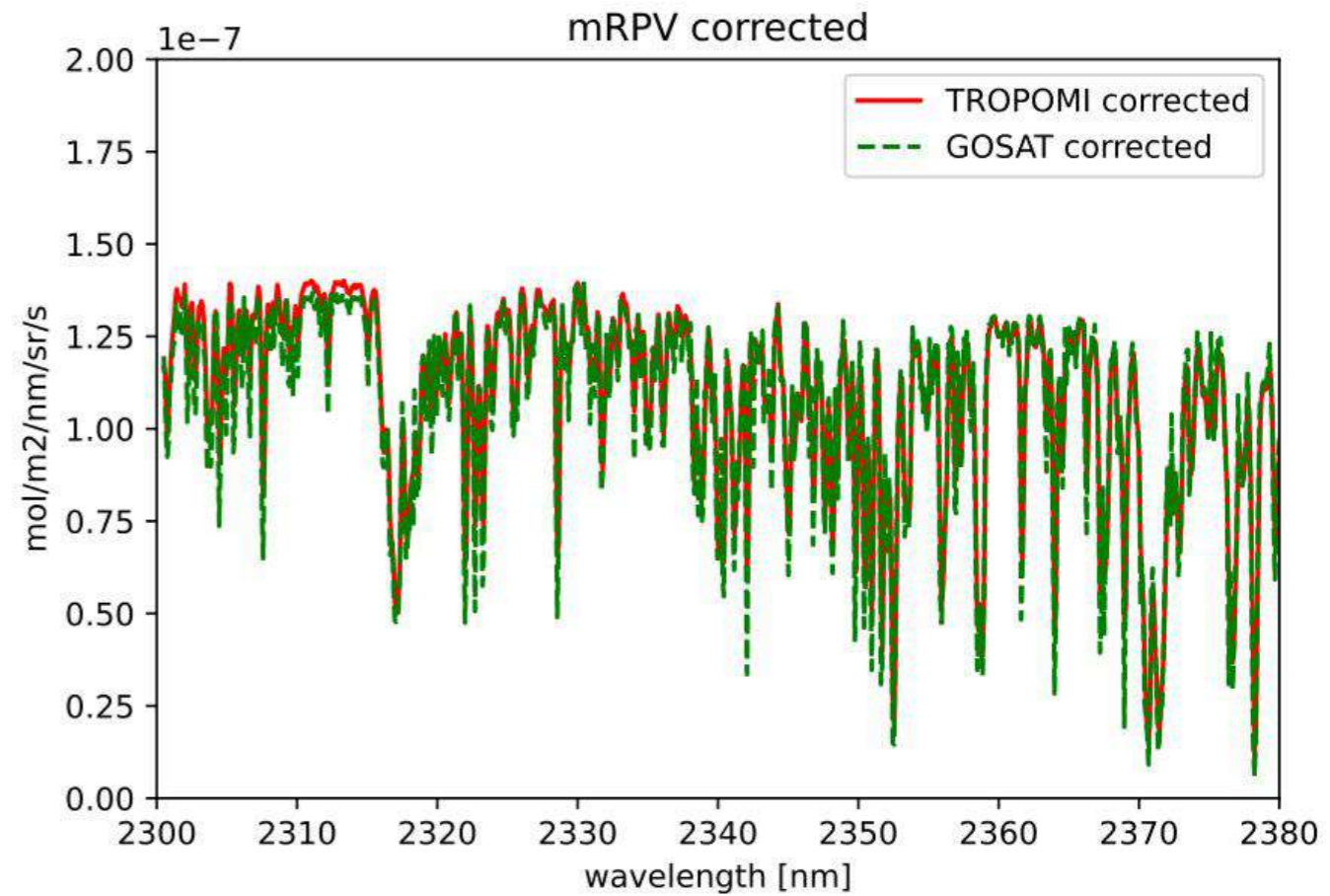
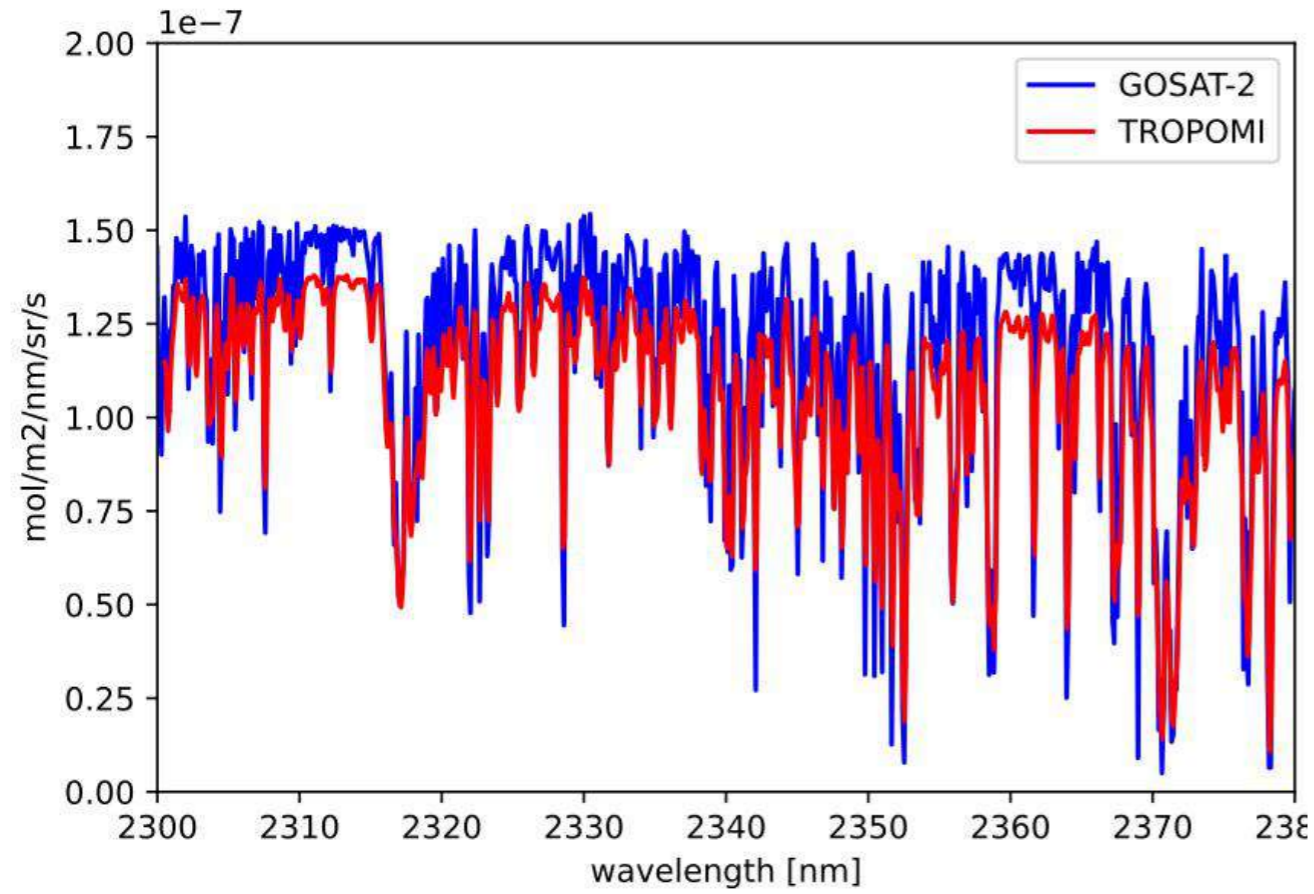
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# Current work in progress

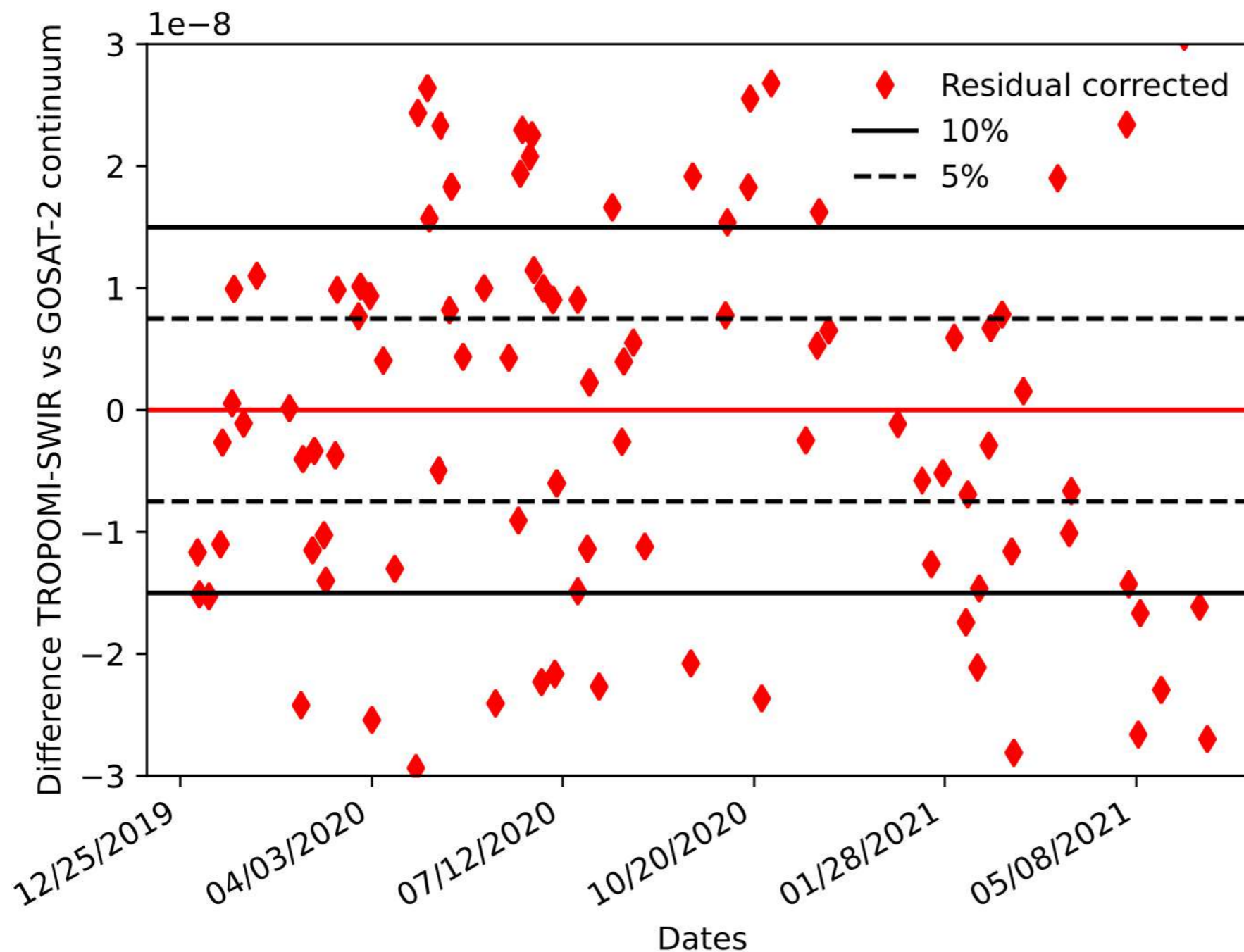




# GOSAT-2 vs TROPOMI L1 (BRDF corrected) 2019 - 2021



Continuum channels 2312.7-2313.1



Median absolute difference  
: 5.1%

**RRV may not be ideal target for cross-calibration**

