



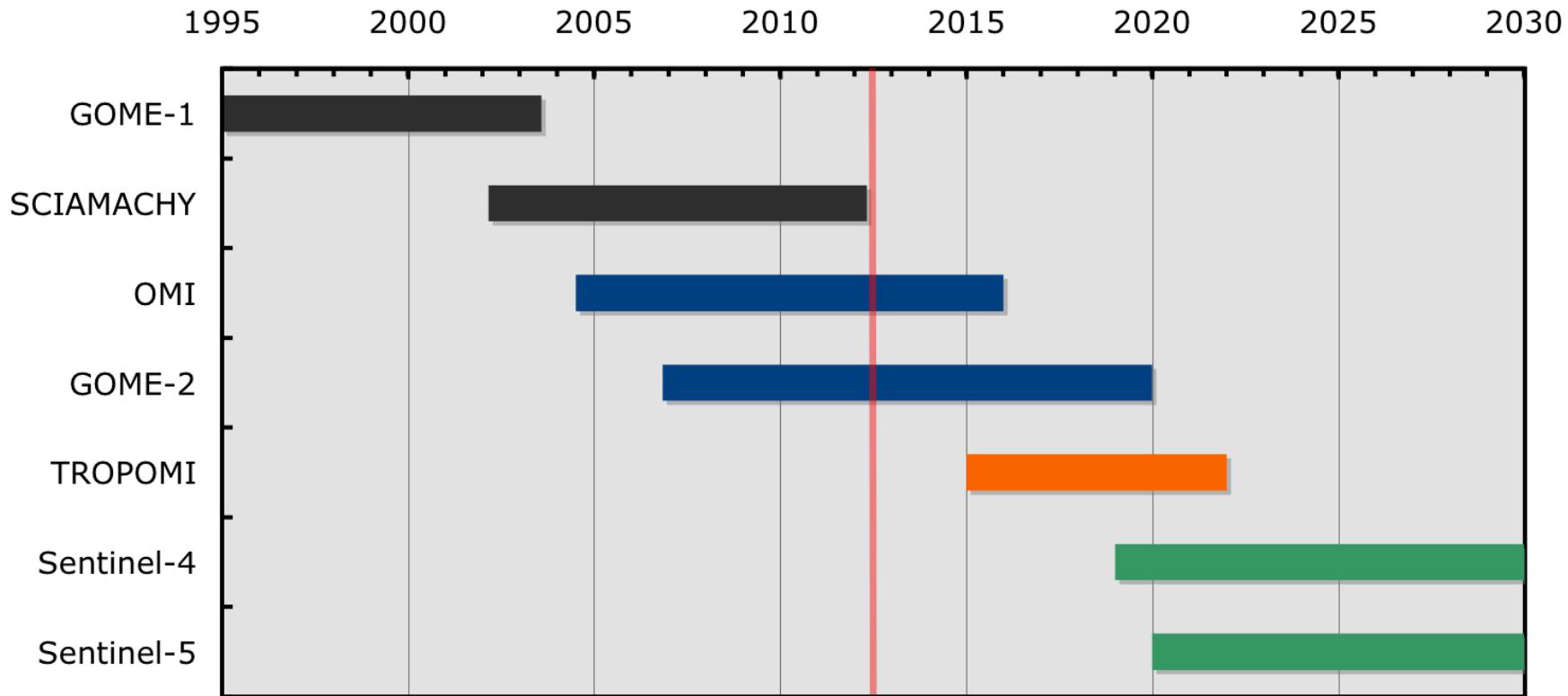
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Aerosol measurements by spectral instrumentation

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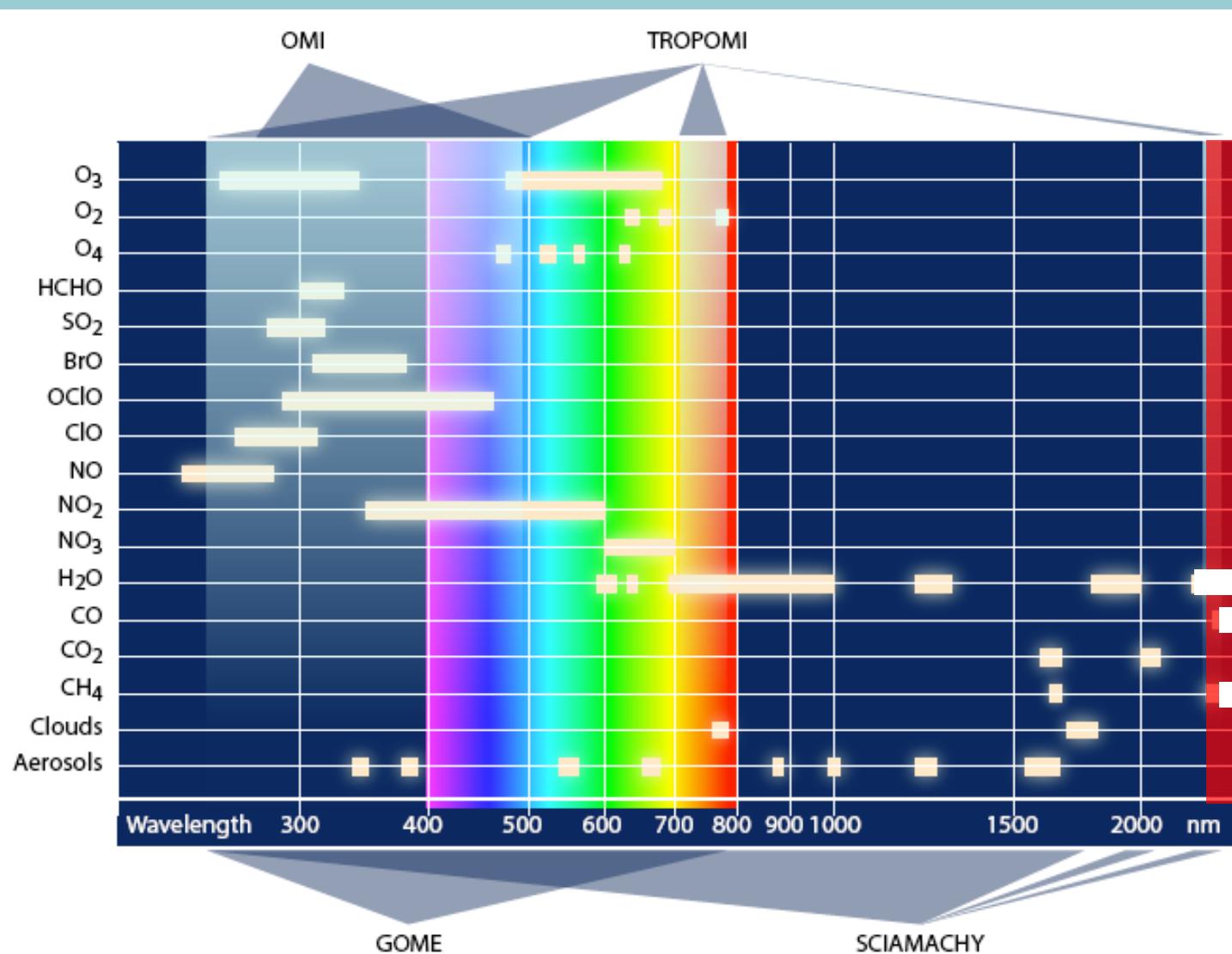
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Solar Backscatter satellite instruments measuring atmospheric composition



KNMI is Principal Investigator of OMI and TROPOMI
TROPOMI will fly on ESA's sentinel 5p

wavelength range and products

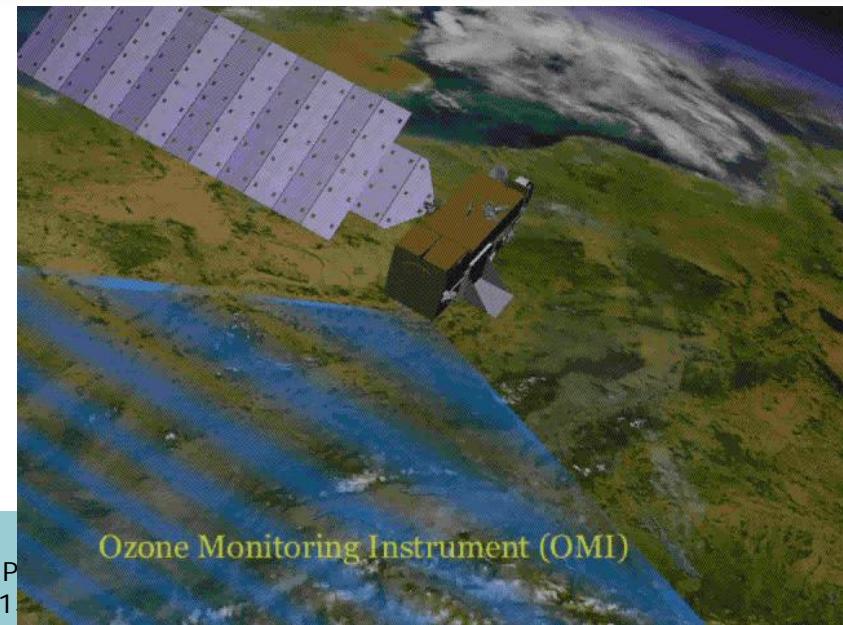
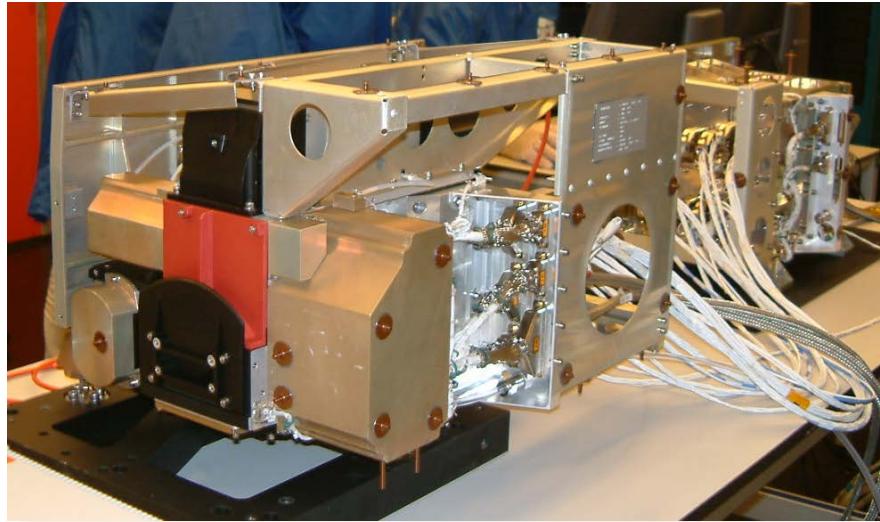


Ozone Monitoring Instrument OMI

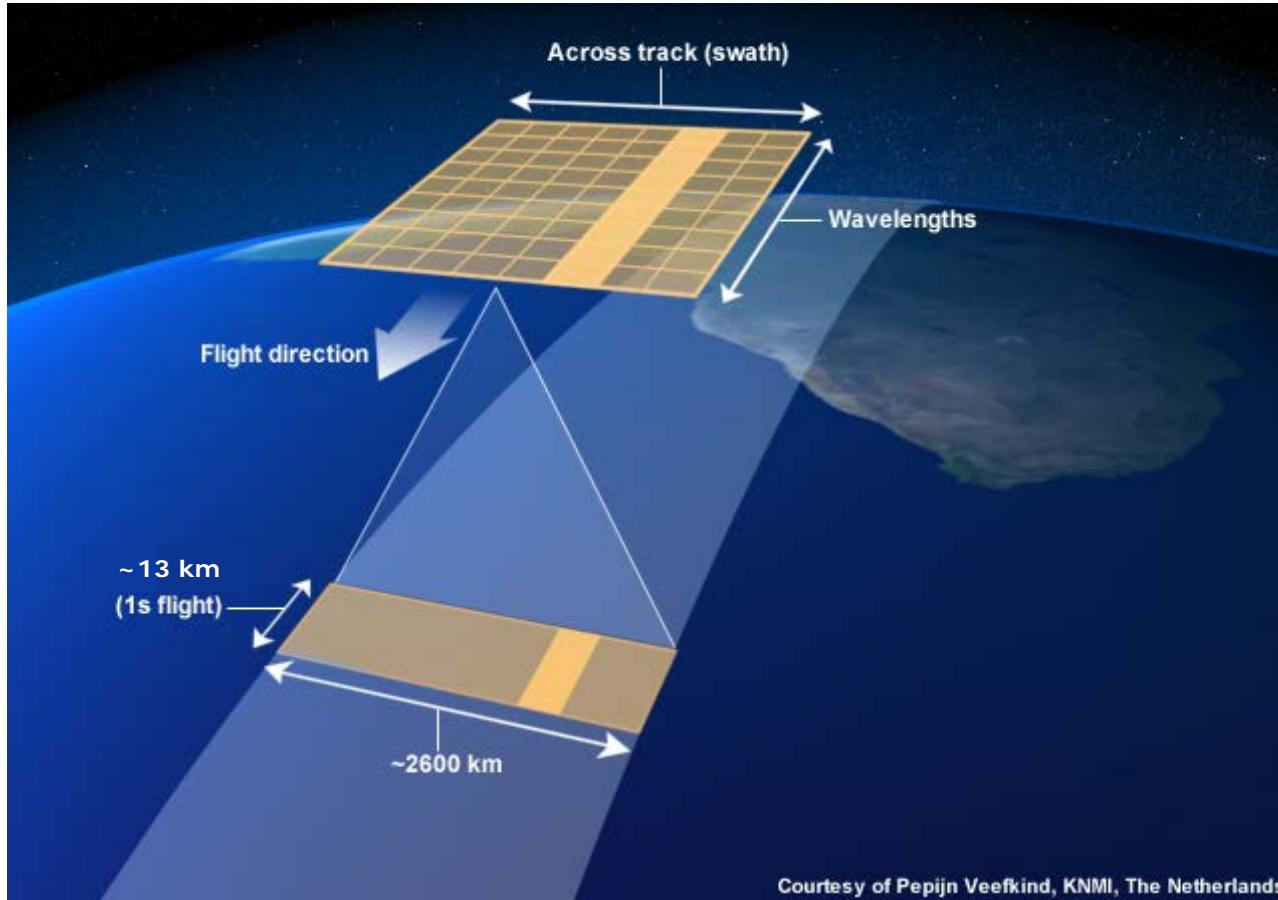
- UV and VIS backscatter instrument (270 - 500 nm)
- Wide swath telescope yields daily global maps (2600 km)
- Urban scale resolution is best ever for air quality measurements from space
($13 \times 24 \text{ km}^2$)

Dutch-Finnish instrument launched at NASA's EOS-Aura in July 2004

Heritage: GOME, SCIAMACHY, GOMOS and TOMS



The technical heart of the OMI instrument





sentinel-5 precursor

COPERNICUS/GMES ATMOSPHERE MISSION IN POLAR ORBIT

The ESA Sentinel-5 Precursor (S-5P) is a pre-operational mission focussing on global observations of the atmospheric composition for air quality and climate.

The TROPOspheric Monitoring Instrument (**TROPOMI**) is the payload of the S-5P mission and is jointly developed by The Netherlands and ESA.

The planned launch date for S-5P is 2015 with a 7 year design lifetime.

TROPOMI

- UV-VIS-NIR-SWIR nadir view grating spectrometer.
- Spectral range: 270-500, 675-775, 2305-2385 nm
- Spectral Resolution: 0.25-1.1 nm
- Spatial Resolution: 7x7km²
- Global daily coverage at 13:30 local solar time.

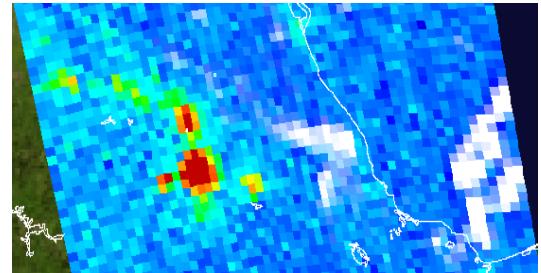
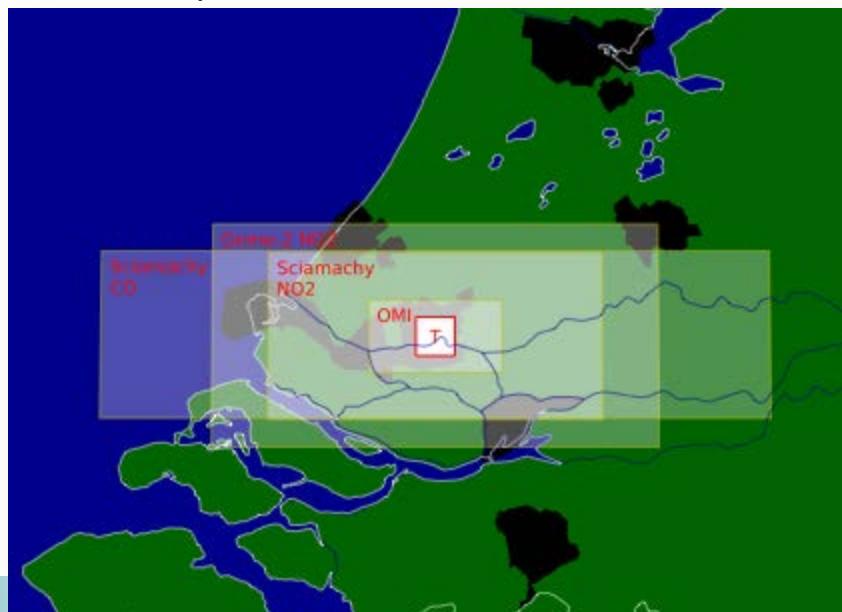


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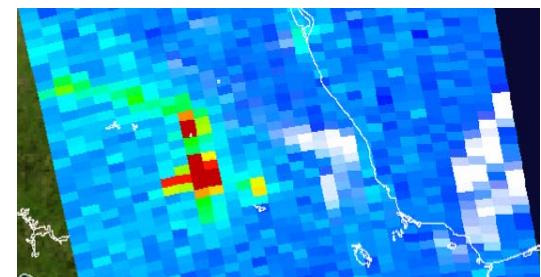
- Total column O₃, NO₂, CO, SO₂, CH₄, CH₂O, H₂O, BrO
- Tropospheric column O₃, NO₂
- O₃ profile
- Aerosol absorbing index, type, optical depth

From OMI to TROPOMI: unprecedented spatial resolution

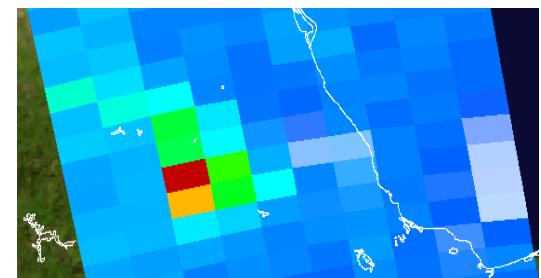
- 6x higher spatial resolution
 $7 \times 7 \text{ km}^2$ vs. $13 \times 24 \text{ km}^2$
- 1-5x higher signal-to-noise
- better cloud information
from the oxygen A band
- CO and CH₄ observations
from the SWIR band



OMI Zoom $12 \times 13 \text{ km}^2$

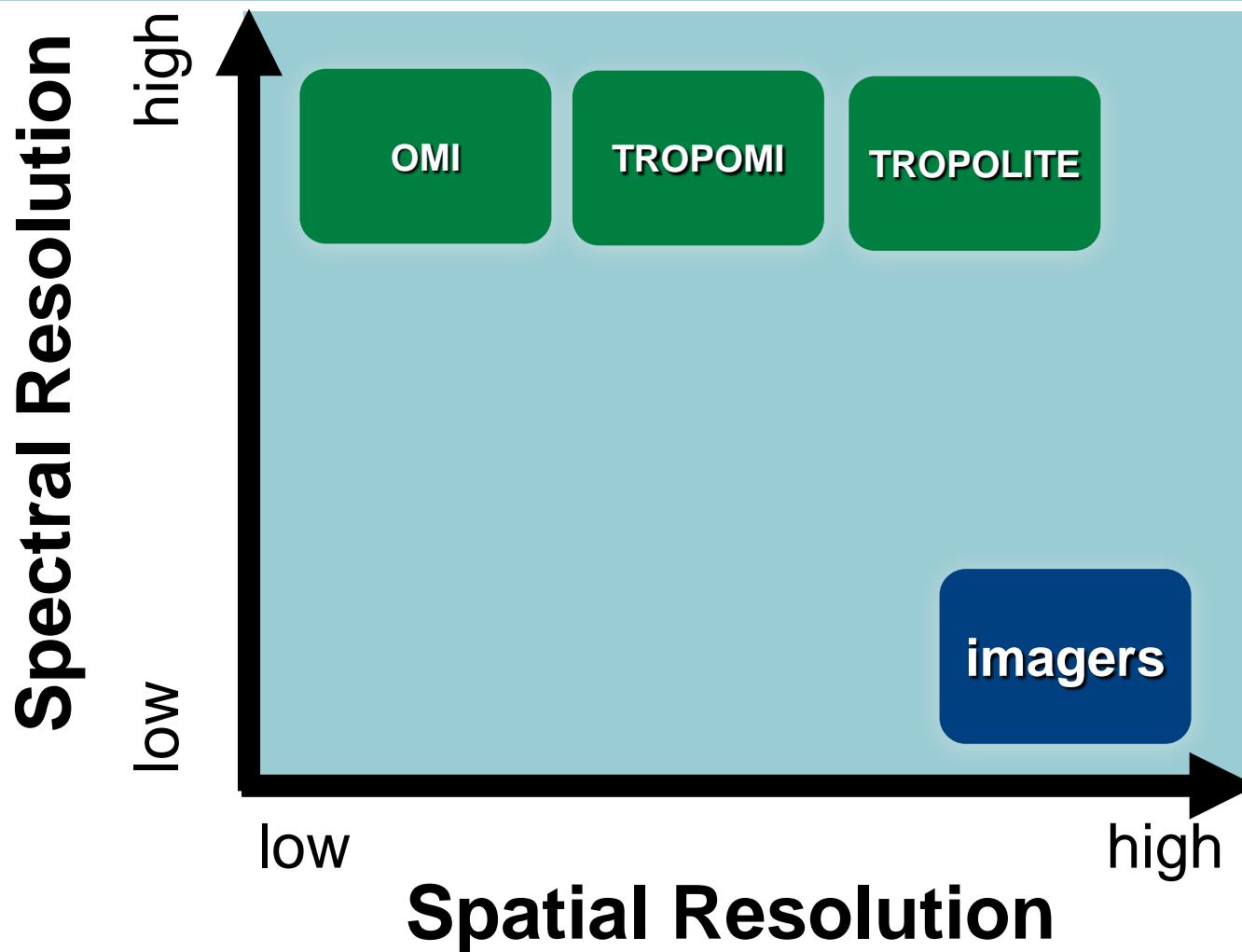


OMI $24 \times 13 \text{ km}^2$



Approx. GOME-2 $72 \times 39 \text{ km}^2$

New developments: TROPOLITE: $2 \times 2 \text{ km}^2$ and daily global coverage



Satellite aerosol retrievals at KNMI

Absorbing aerosol index (AAI)

GOME, SCIAMACHY, GOME-2 A+B and OMI

(De Graaf et al., JGR, 2006; Tilststra et al., JGR, 2012) - www.temis.nl

Aerosol layer height from O₂ A-band

GOME, SCIAMACHY, GOME-2 A+B

(Wang et al., ACP, 2012; Sanders and De Haan, AMT, 2013)

Aerosol direct radiative effect from SCIAMACHY

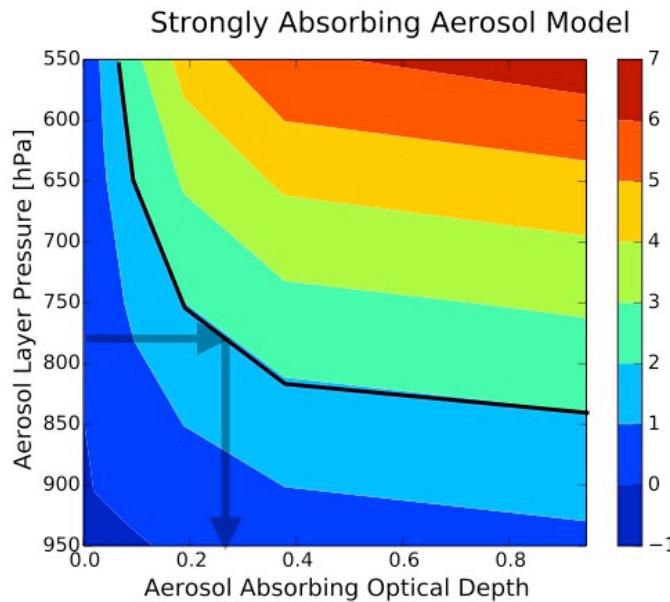
(De Graaf et al., JGR, 2012)

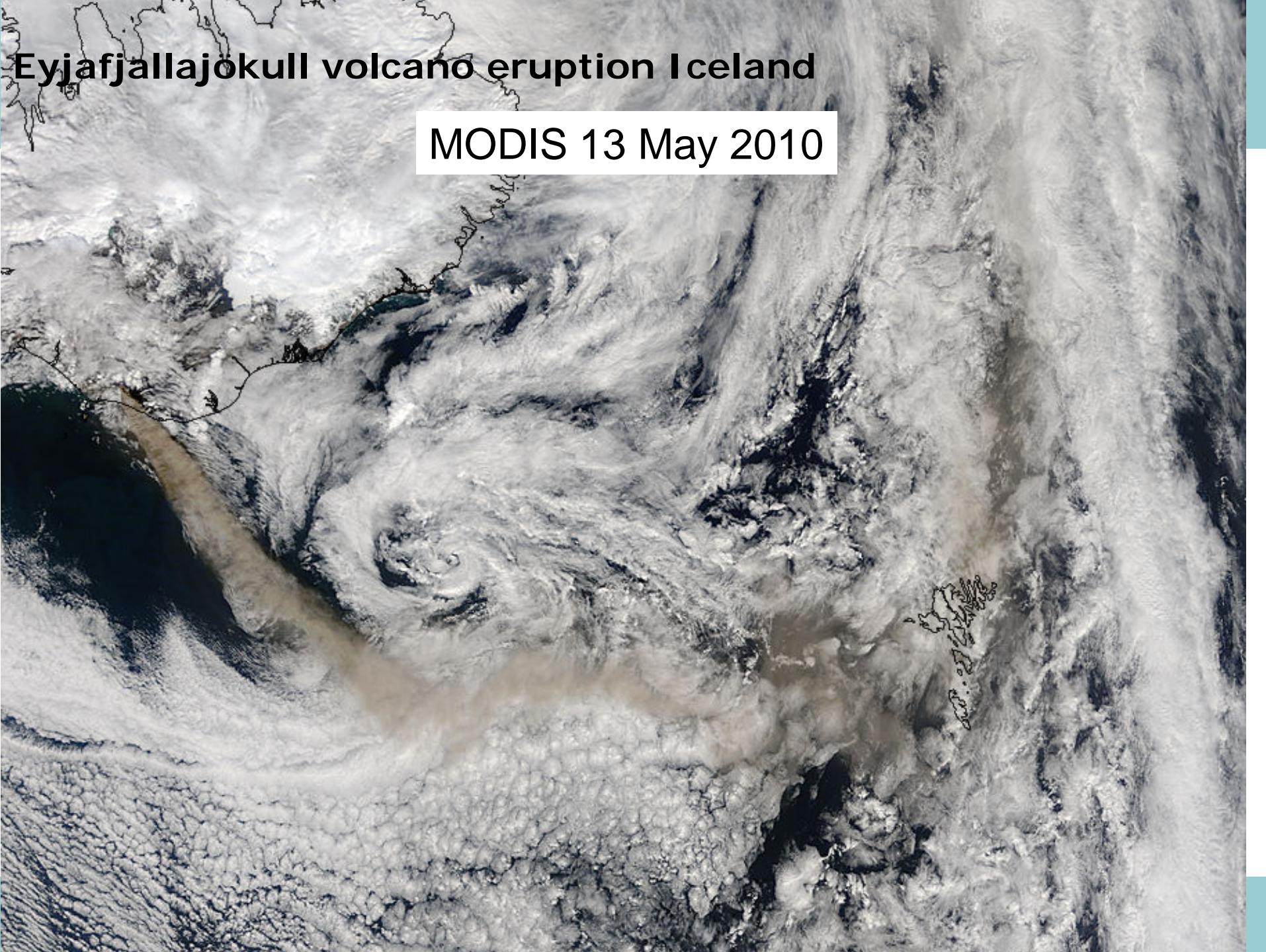
AOD from OMI (Torres/Braak/Viehelmann)

TROPOMI: AAI, aerosol layer height and AAOD(future)

Special features of UVVIS spectral instrumentation:

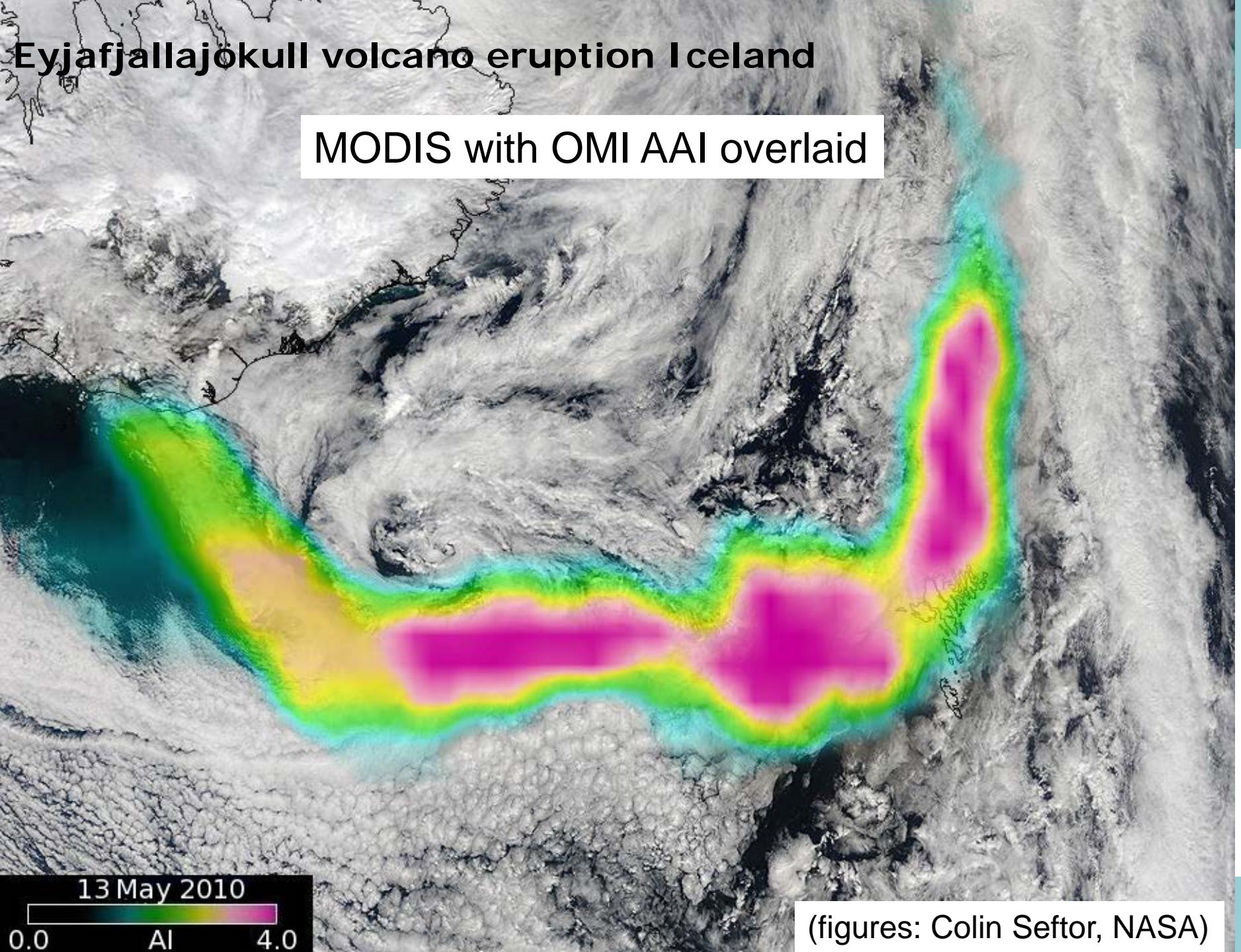
- Spectral instruments in the UV are sensitive for absorbing aerosols, even above clouds (AAI)
- It is more difficult to calculate AOT and SSA, than AAI, since these products are severely compromised by clouds.
- AAOD product: also information on aerosol height is needed





Eyjafjallajökull volcano eruption Iceland

MODIS 13 May 2010



Eyjafjallajökull volcano eruption Iceland

MODIS with OMI AAI overlaid

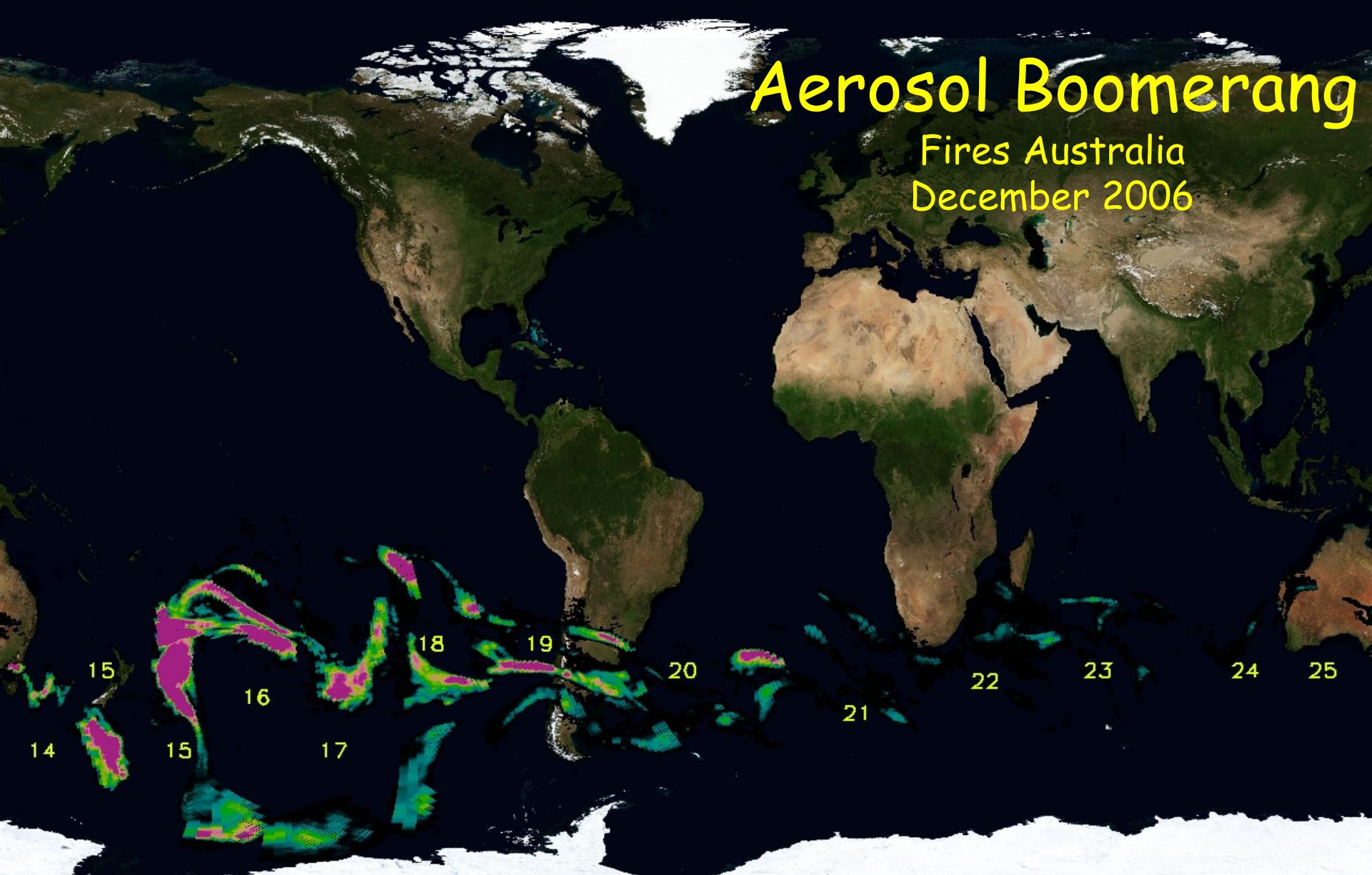
13 May 2010



(figures: Colin Seftor, NASA)

Aerosol Boomerang

Fires Australia
December 2006



R.J. Dirksen & K.F. Boersma

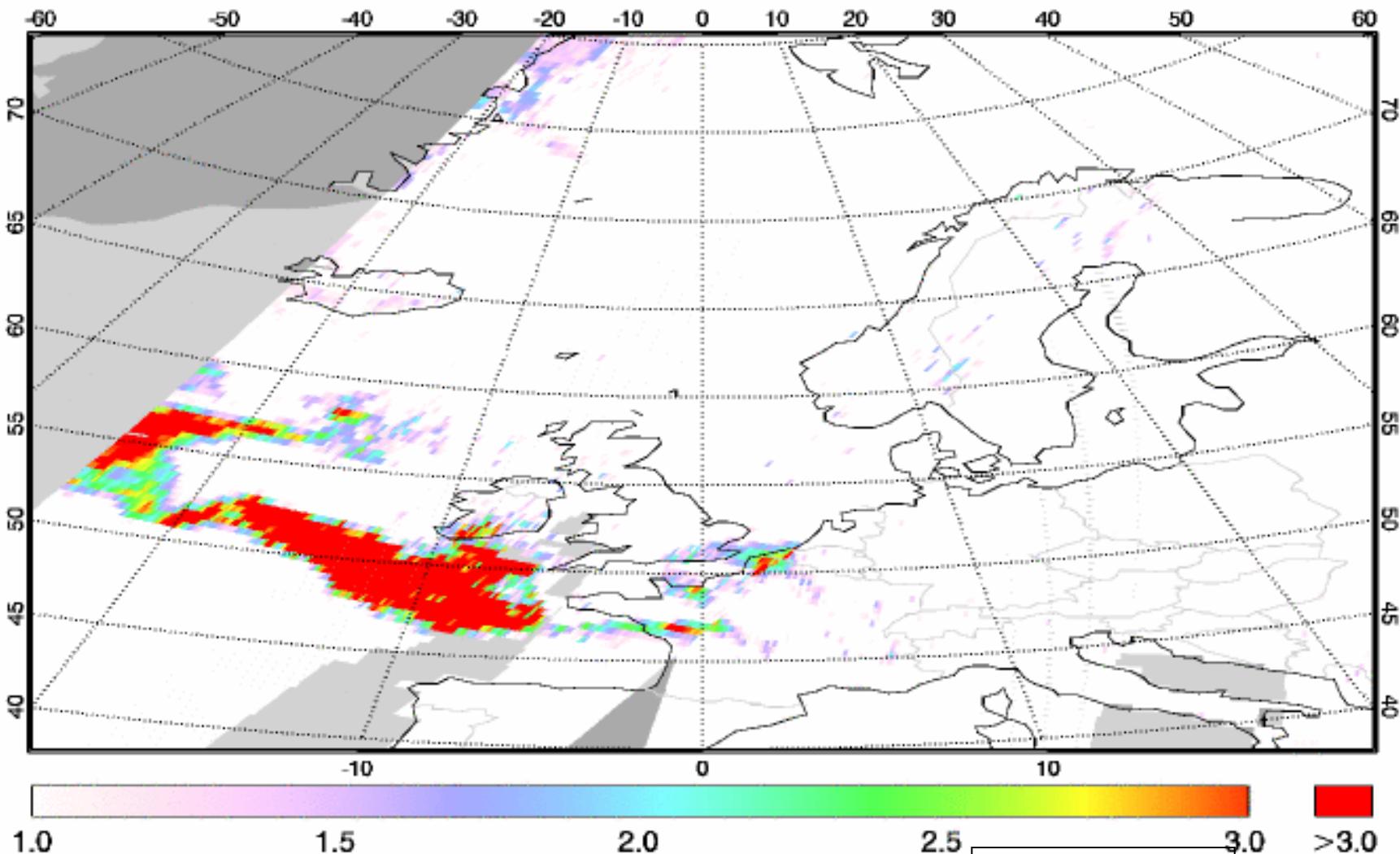
Dirksen and Boersma et al., JGR, 2009

AAI for event monitoring: Smoke from N-American wildfires

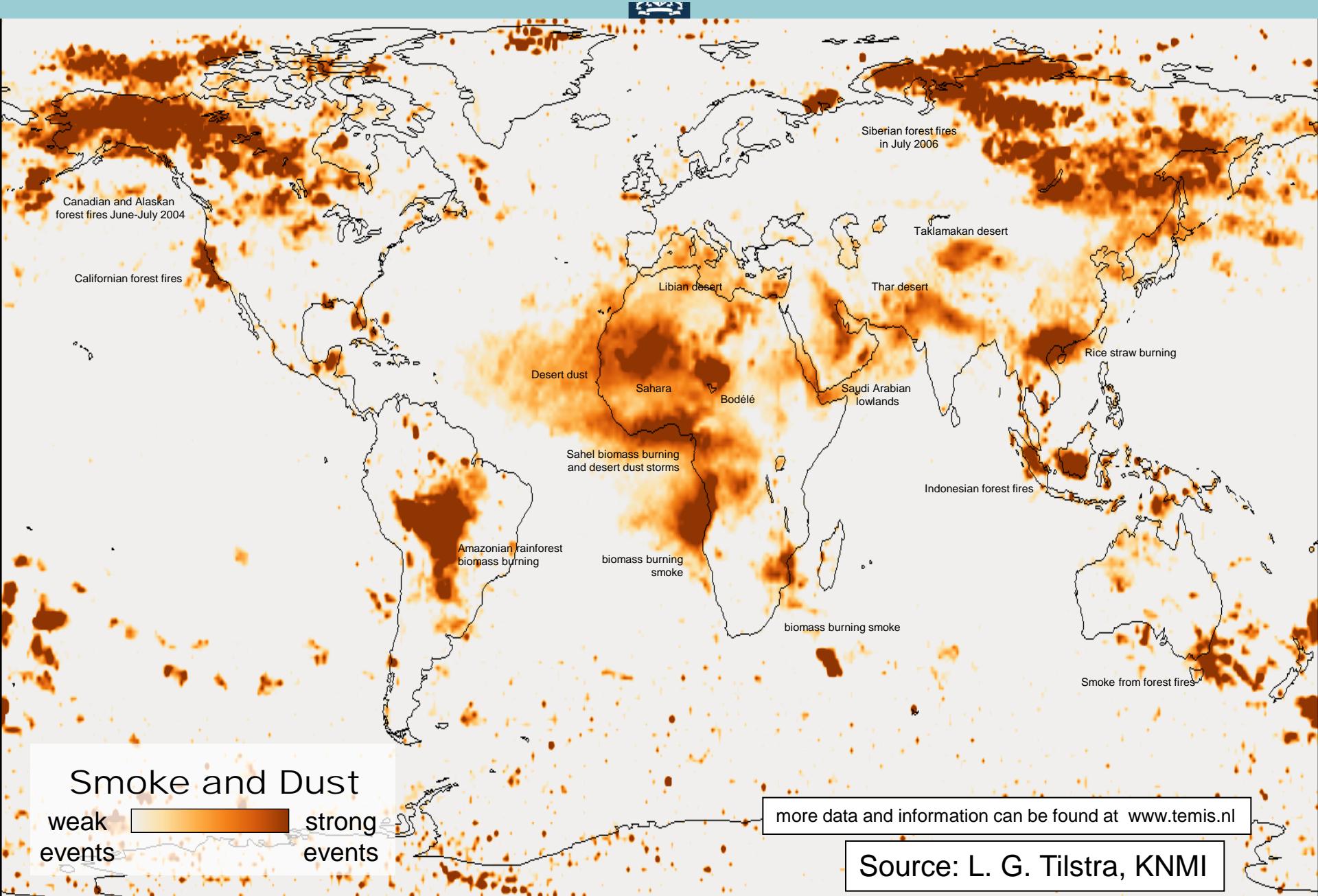
Absorbing aerosol index (using PMDs)

25 June 2013

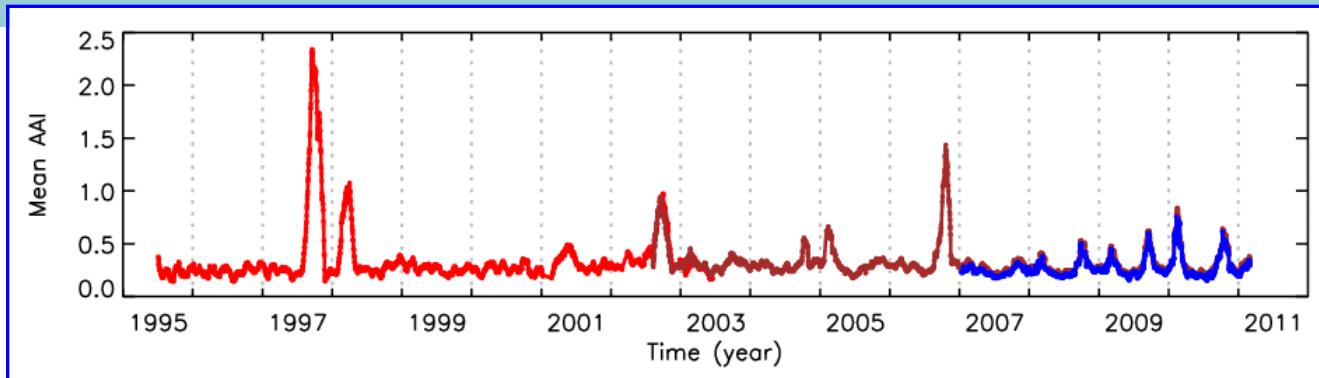
GOME-2 (METOP-B) – KNMI/EUMETSAT



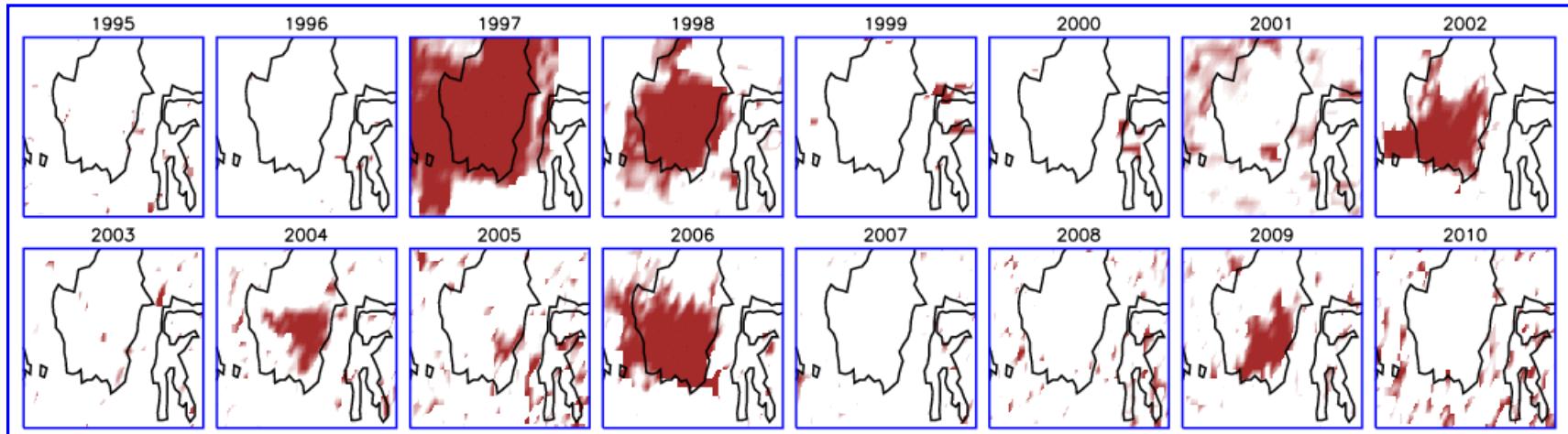
Absorbing aerosols 2002 - 2010 from SCIAMACHY



Smoke over Borneo from AAI , 1995 -2010



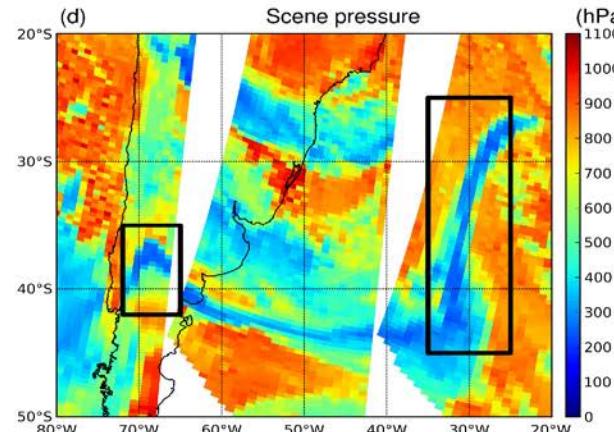
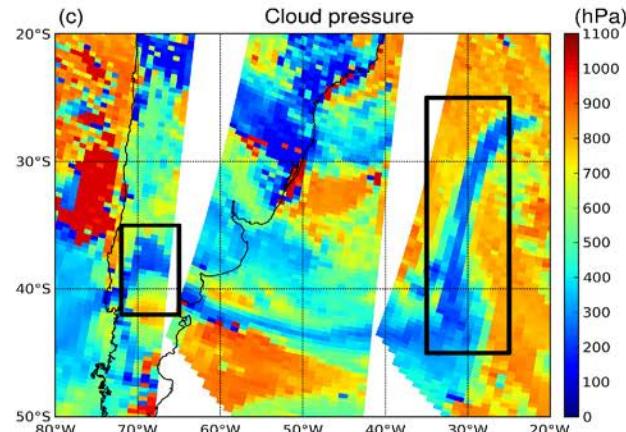
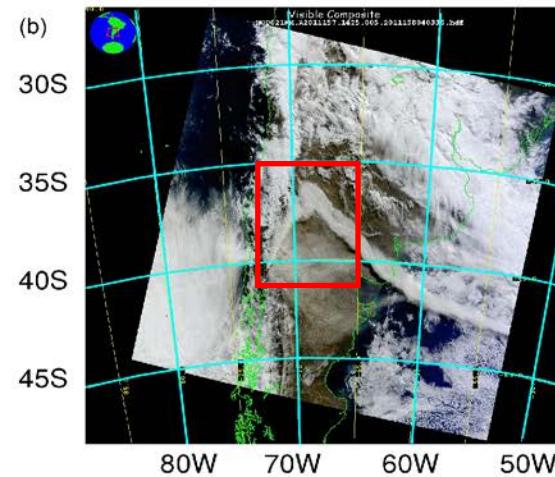
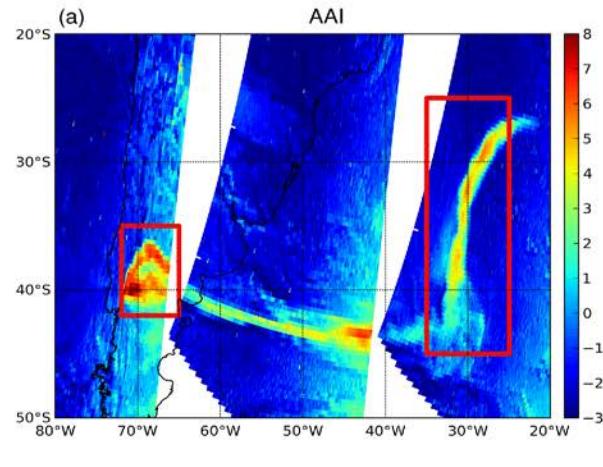
1997/1998 El Niño: drought caused many forest fires; 120.000 km² forest burned.



Satellite data sources: GOME, SCIAMACHY, GOME-2

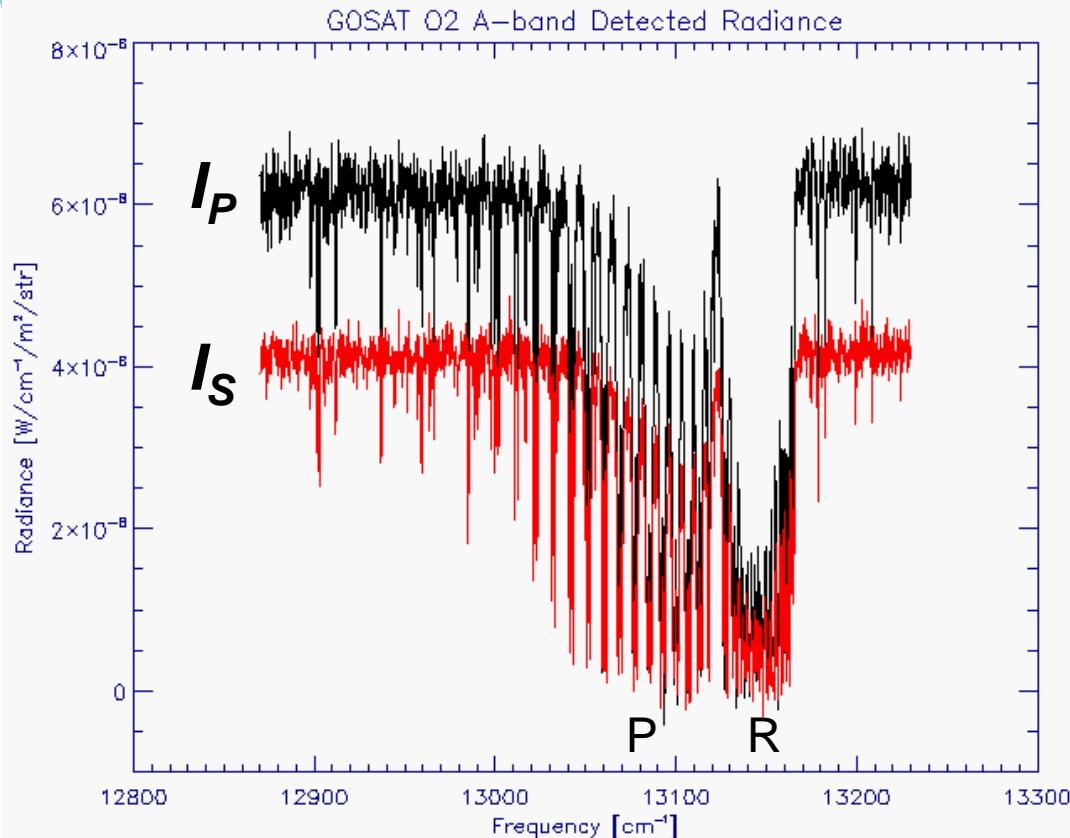
Figure: L.G. Tilstra, KNMI

Aerosol Height using O₂A band: Puyehue volcano (Chile), 6 June 2011



Aerosol layer height with FRESCO O₂A band algorithm

GOSAT O₂ A-band measurement

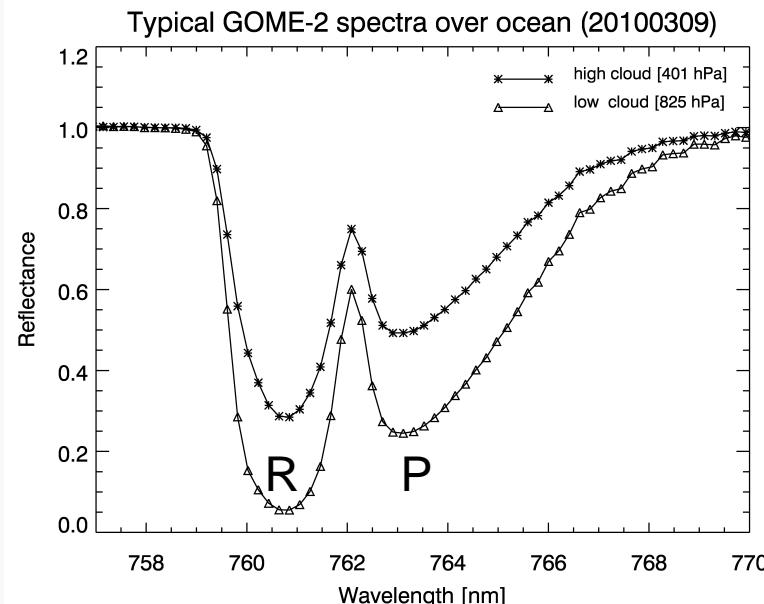


0.015 nm resolution

Number of spectral points in O₂ A-band: ~1800

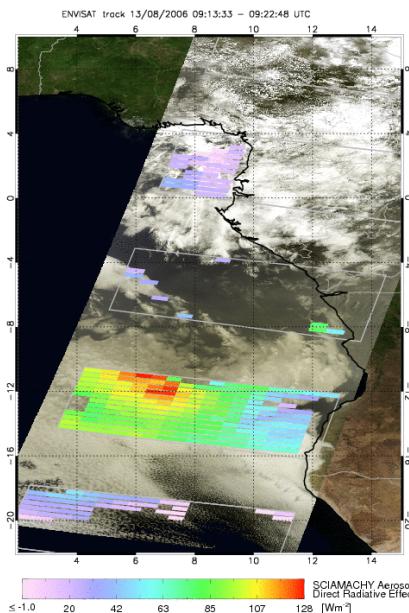
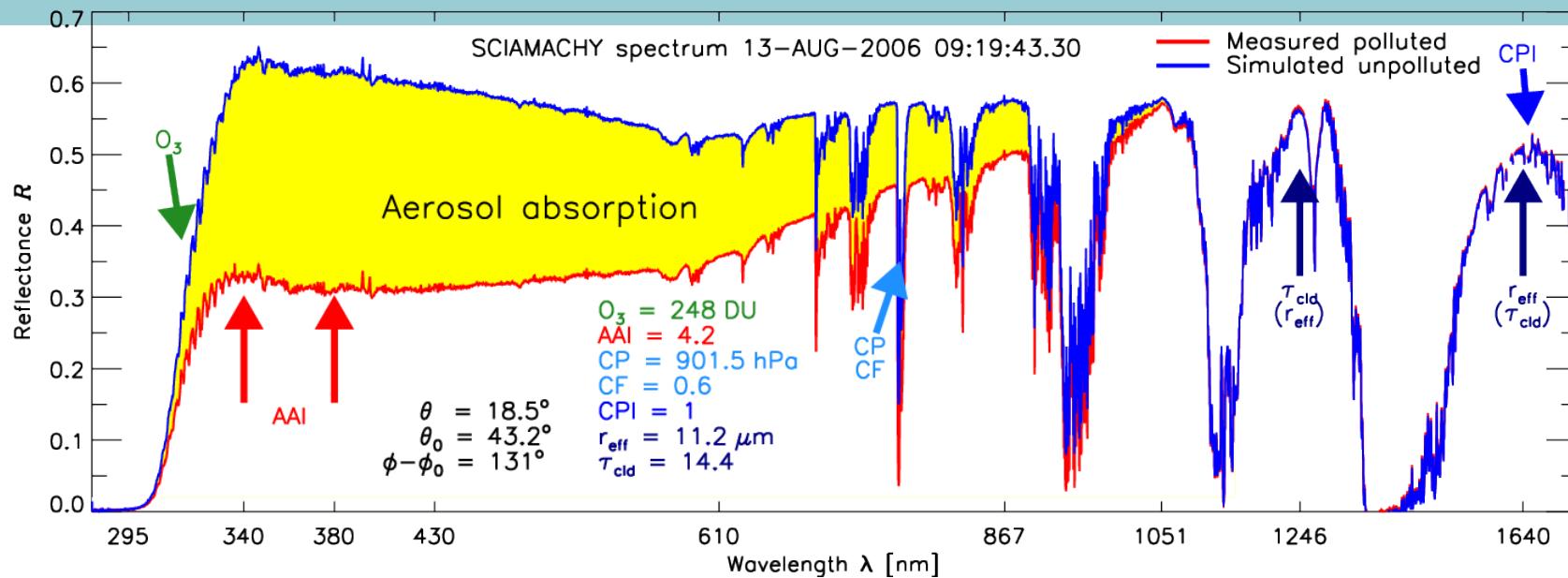
Sentinel 4: 0.12 nm resolution

For comparison
GOME-2 O₂ A-band



0.5 nm resolution
similar to TROPOMI

Spectral absorption of aerosols over clouds measured by SCIAMACHY



Direct measurement of spectral absorption of aerosols over clouds from UV to SWIR.

Biomass burning aerosols over marine clouds can cause absorption of up to 100 W/m².

Important: combination of UV, VIS & SWIR reflectances.

Future instrumentation (1)

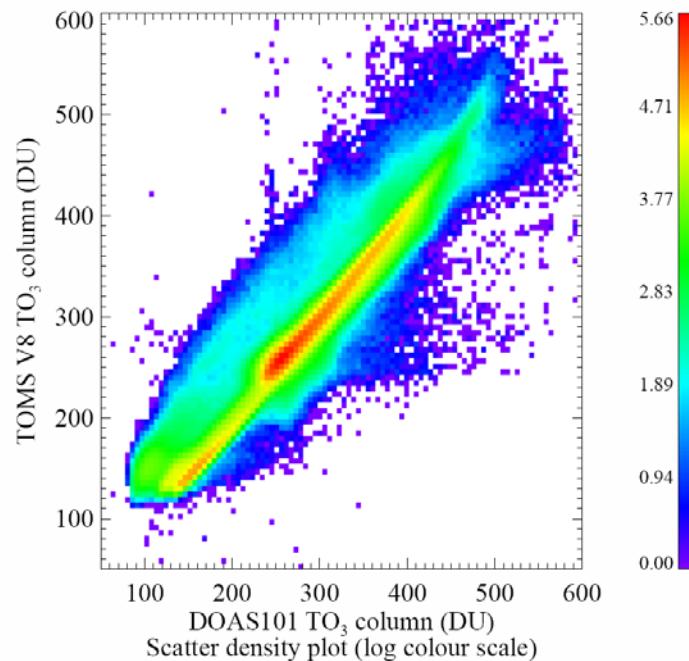
- **Expected** to be available:
 - VIIRS and Metimage: continuation MODIS
 - 3MI on METOP SG: continuation POLDER; start of operational monitoring of aerosol AOT, SSA, size, etc.
 - OMI, TROPOMI, sentinel 4 and 5: AAI and aerosol height
 - ADM, Earthcare: lidar
- **New:** GEO role: sentinel 3, sentinel 4.
Aerosol products from sentinel 3 are however not yet supported

Future instrumentation (2)

- In future **new instrument** developments needed:
 - TROPILITE (OMI/TROPOMI with 2x2 km²)
 - New ways to measure polarisation (The Netherlands) and many angles
 - Follow on Polder type of instrumentation
 - New measurements for aerosol-cloud interaction by measuring the rainbow (TUD, Levelt, Veefkind)
 - Operational Lidar like Calipso

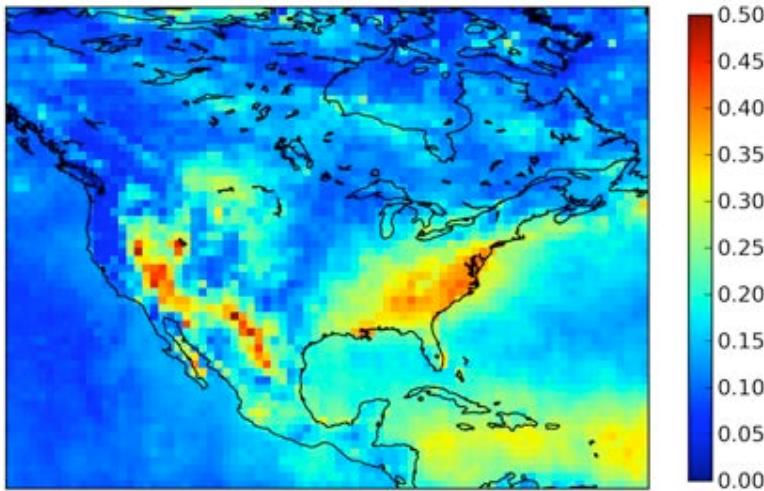
New development ideas – might be useful for the ToR

- Need for standardisation algorithms, start e.g. with MODIS AOT and apply this for all comparable instruments like VIIRS, MetImage
- Standardisation of aerosol models used as starting point in the retrievals.
- Simulators: built simulators in models for easy comparison with measurements.
- Assessment of aerosols and their precursor gases (NOx, SO2, HCHO, Ammonia, ...)
- AAOT black carbon
(David Fahey paper, JGR, 2013)

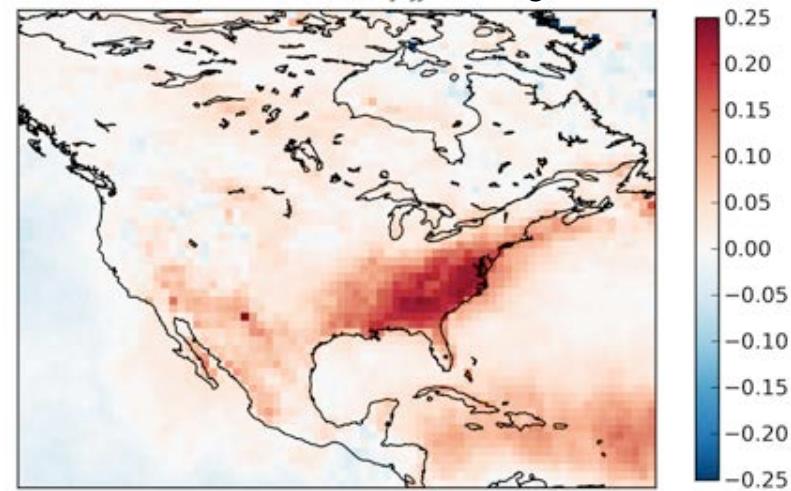


Secondary aerosol formation from space: AOT-HCHO: Summer Anomalies

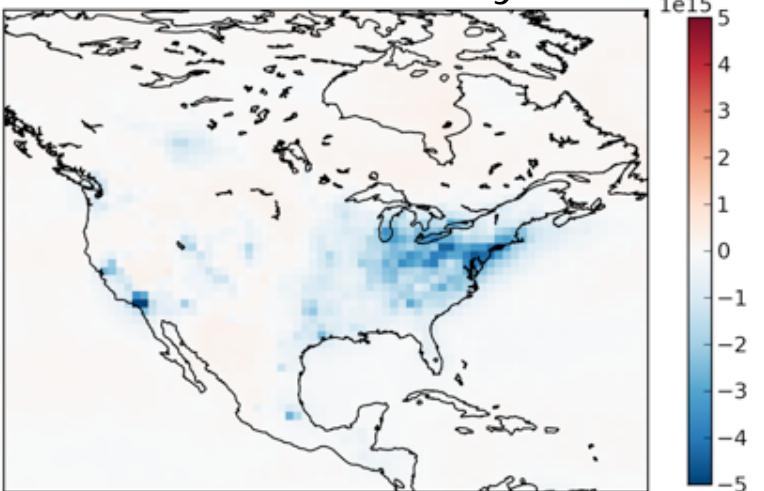
JJA AOT



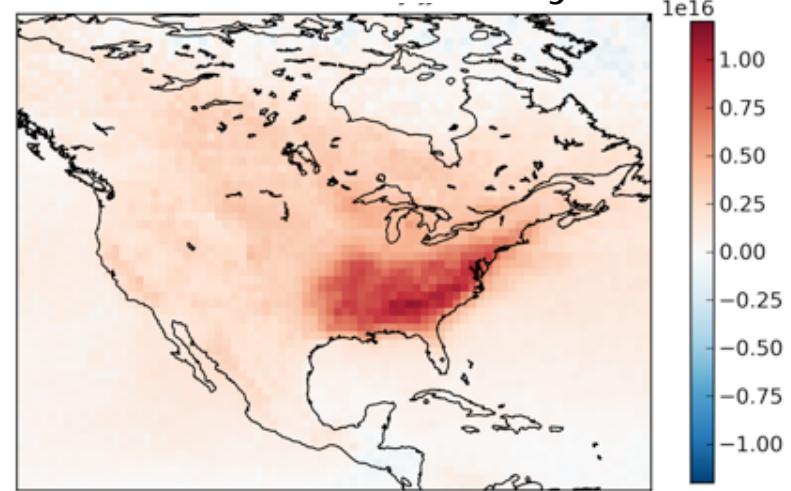
JJA AOT Anomaly



JJA NO₂ Anomaly



JJA HCHO Anomaly





- Air quality community (EU MACC)
- Climate community
- Rerouting aviation (VAACs)
- Assimilation of aerosols for atmospheric corrections
(e.g. for land applications)



Thank you for your attention!



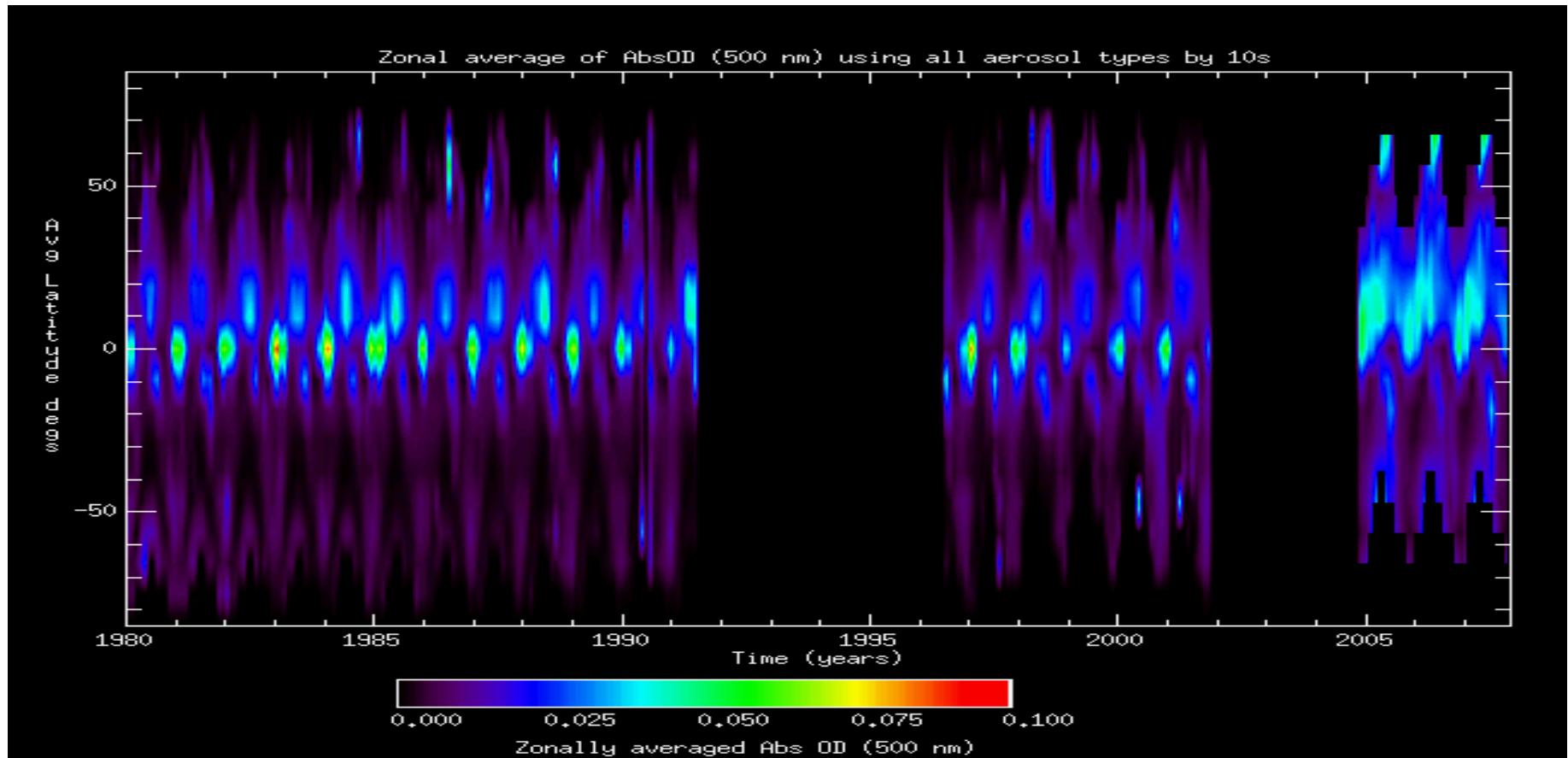
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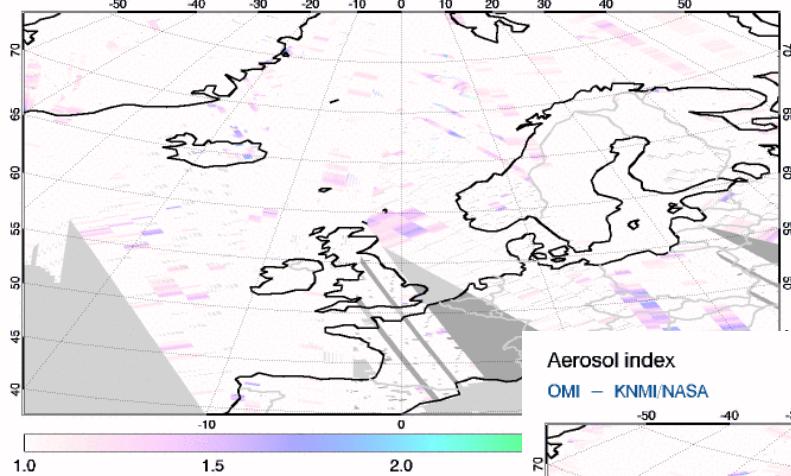
Nodig

- Aerosol boomerang
- O2A band plaatje van resultaat! Niet retrieval
- Uitleg absorbing aerosols – AAI plaatje van Kopenhagen
- Andere plaatjes Piet kan ik niet volgen
- SPEX : noemen, ook ons eigen project noemen?
- David Fahey boodschap

Combined TOMS-OMI Record on Aerosol Absorption (Preliminary Results)



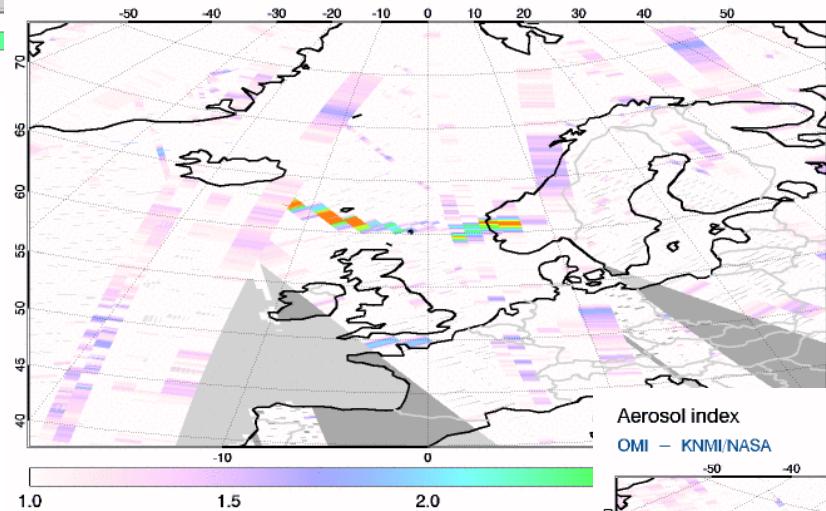
Larger OMI values are the result of algorithmic differences.
TOMS record will be re-processed using OMI algorithm



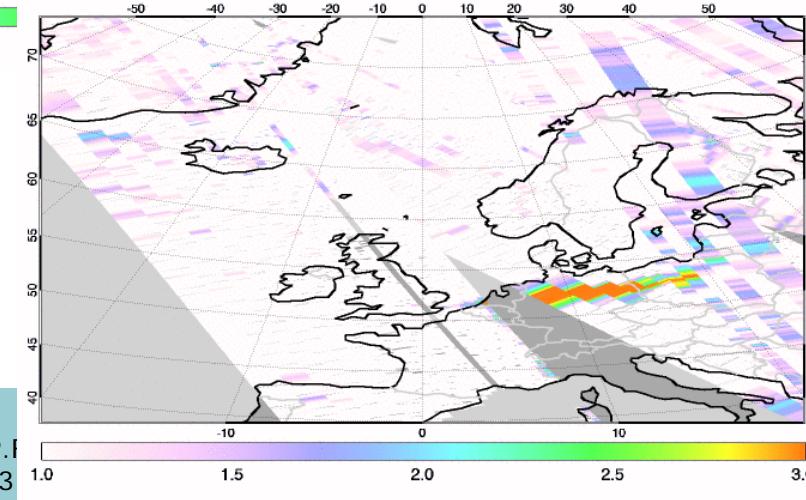
OMI AAI 14 – 16 April



15 April 2010



16 April 2010



Overview volcanic eruption



In December 2006 southeastern Australia suffered from severe forest fires. Using the OMI instrument we observed how a smoke plume released by these fires on 14 December rapidly crossed the Pacific and reached southern America only five days later. After passing south America the plume continued its journey over the Atlantic and the Indian Ocean to return to home base on 25 December, making it the first-time observation of rapid around-the-world transport in the extra-tropical southern hemisphere.

Dirksen, R. J., K. Folkert Boersma, J. de Laat, P. Stammes, G. R. van der Werf, M. Val Martin, and H. M. Kelder (2009),

An aerosol boomerang: Rapid around-the-world transport of smoke from the December 2006 Australian forest fires observed from

space, *J. Geophys. Res.*, 114, D21201, doi:10.1029/2009JD012360.

Map of global tropospheric NO₂, an important air pollutant and precursor of greenhouse gases and aerosols

