

Initial results with automated ship-borne reflectance measurements and data processing in near-coastal waters in the Western Channel

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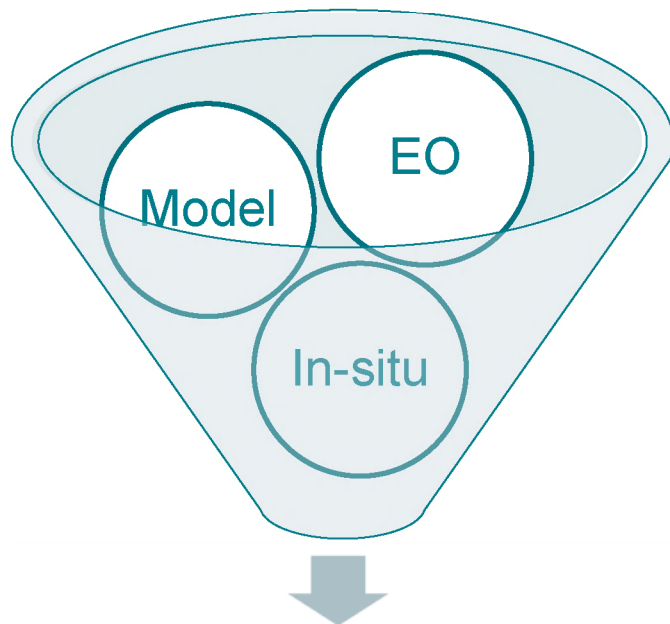
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Web information system

Interreg project (2010-2014)
AIMS to “develop and promote a web-based tool to improve the evaluation of the coastal water quality and analyse eutrophication in the 2Seas coastal areas”

Can chlorophyll from EO be used to do Eutrophication assessments?

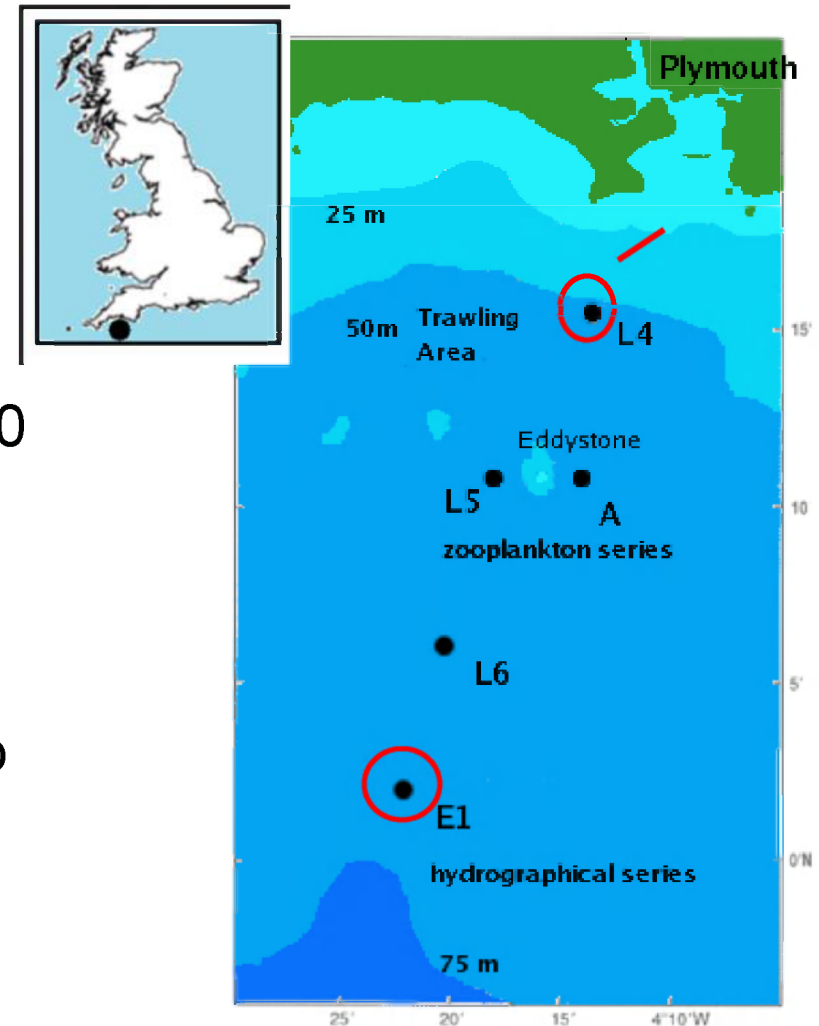
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Question 1: What are the uncertainties of EO coastal products?

Question 2: How close to the coast can EO products be “trust”?

ISECA in-situ database

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 - **Biological data and In-water bio-optical data:** long term (+10 years) measurements at fixed stations
- **Question 2:**
 - **Above water optics:** dataset to test atmospheric correction and adjacency effects

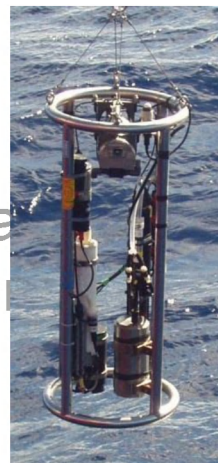


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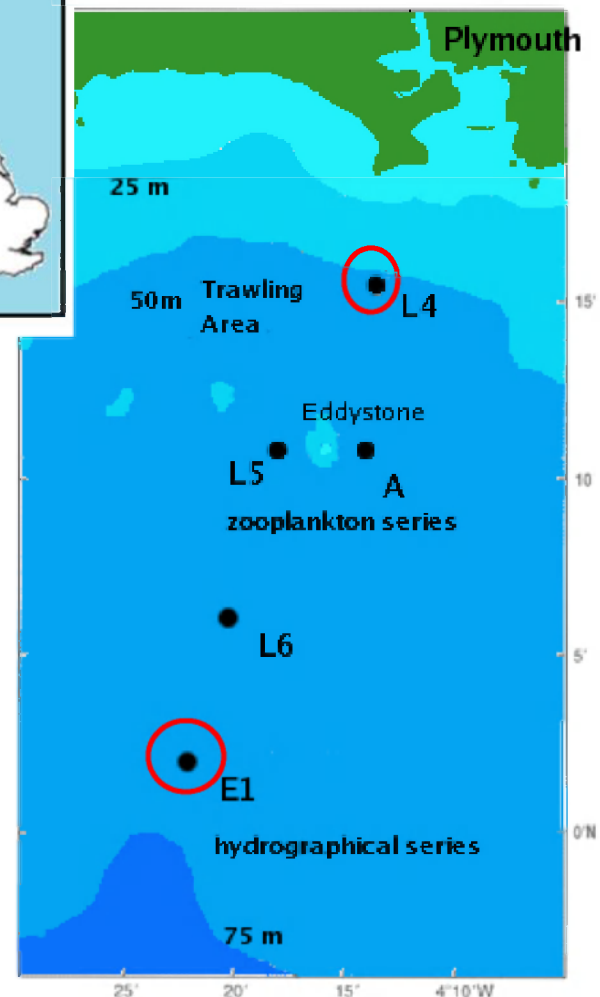
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- **Question 2:**

- **Acoustic data:** data correction

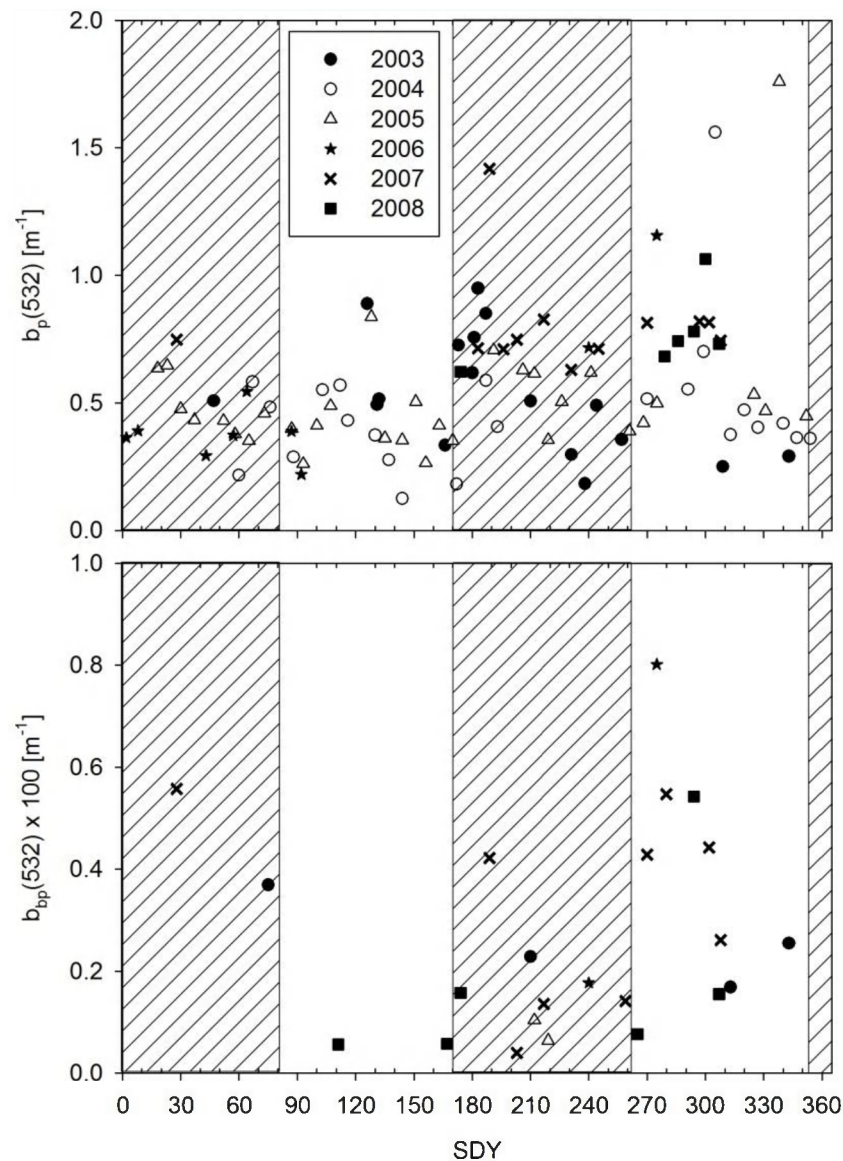
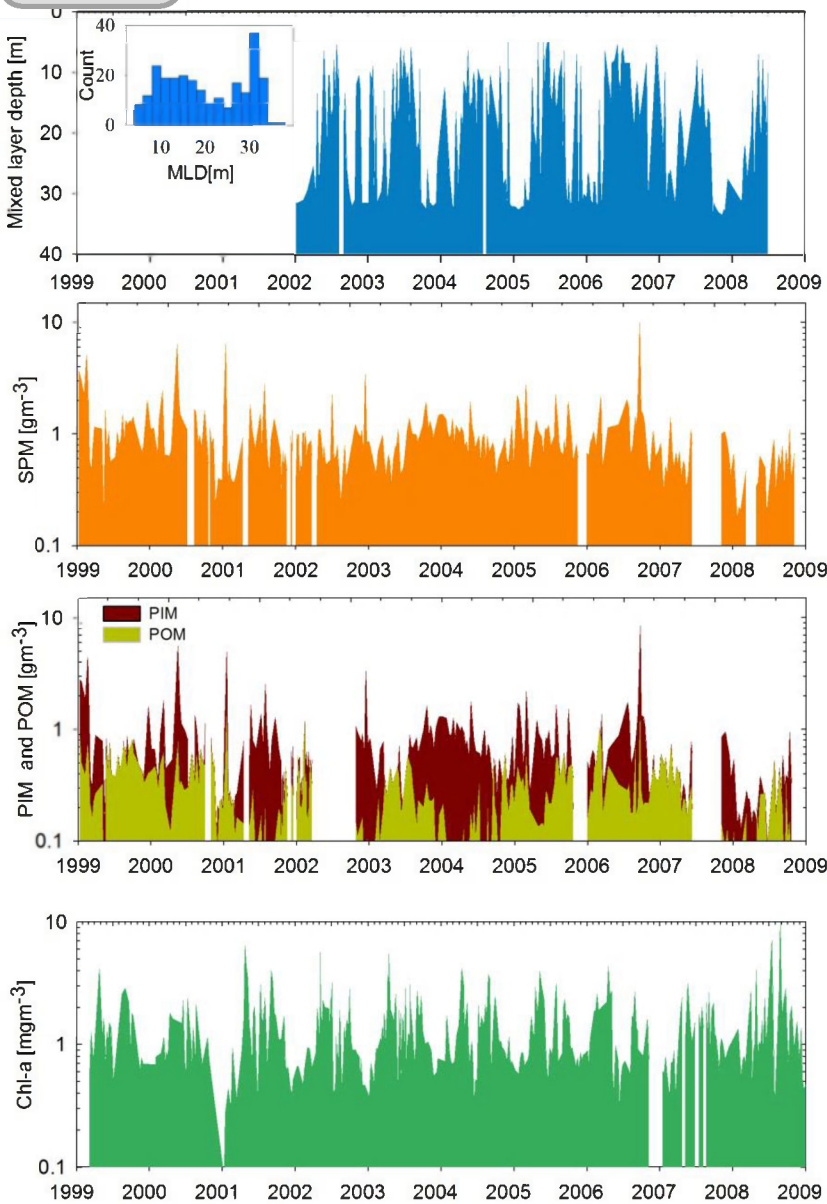


WetLabs ac-9; a & c
Seabird 19 CTD; T & S
WetLabs ECO-VSF3 : b_{bp}
Satlantic HyperOCR; E_d



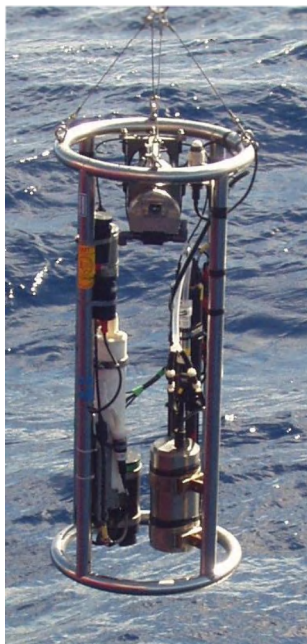
- Historically L4 originated as a biological monitoring station.
- Developed into bio-optical time series during the 2000's.
- Weekly sampling of biological and optical parameters

Measurement	< 1999	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
HPLC																	
PABS																	
CDOM																	
SPM																	
POC - CHN																	
Chla(fluoro)																	
Primary production																	
FRRF																	
Ed, Lu																	
ac9																	
bb6																	
VSF,bb3																	
Above water RSR																	
PAR																	
Transmissometer																	
Flow cytometry																	
Coulter Counter																	
Phytoplankton counts																	
CTD																	

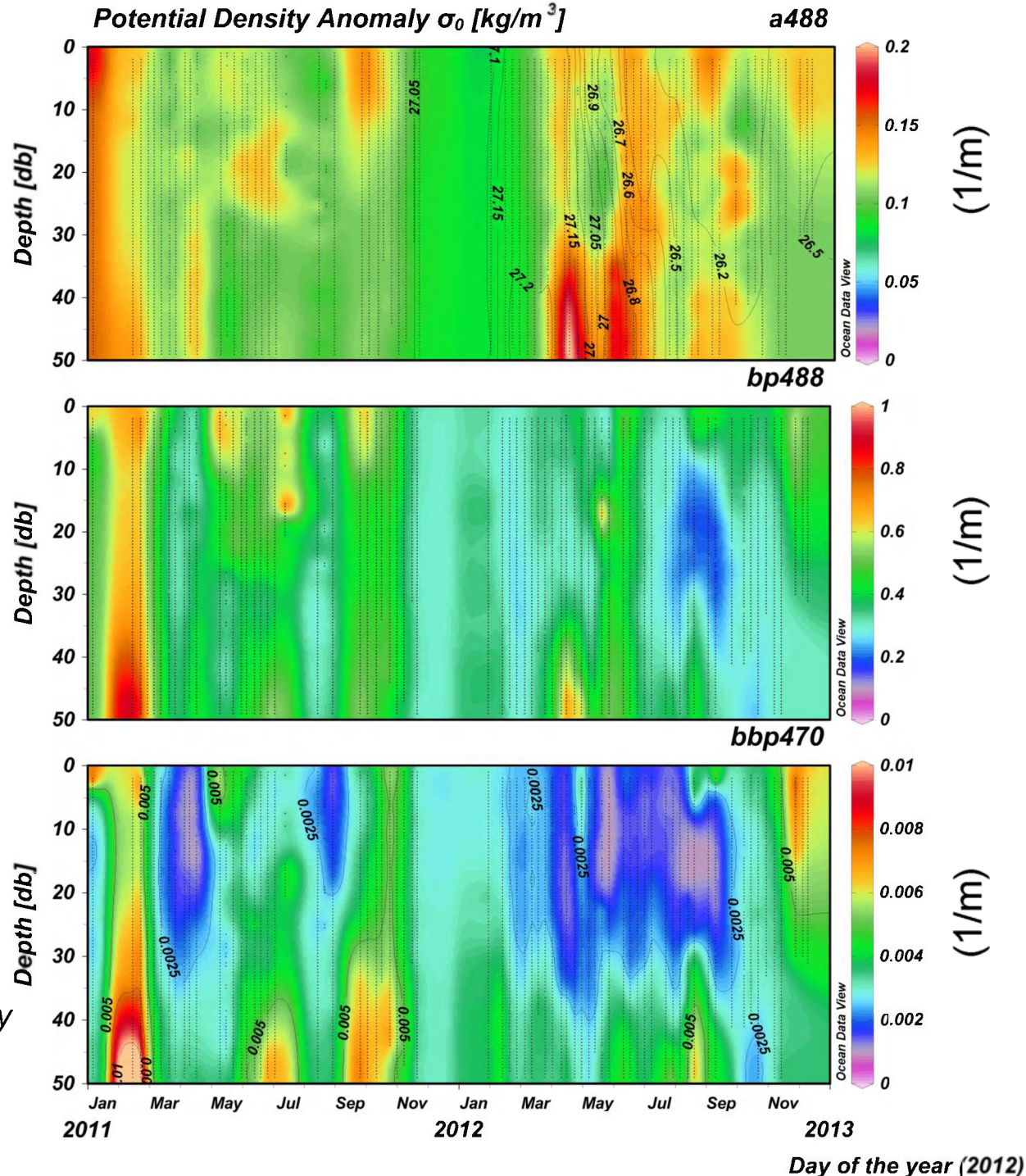


Martinez-Vicente et al. (2010)

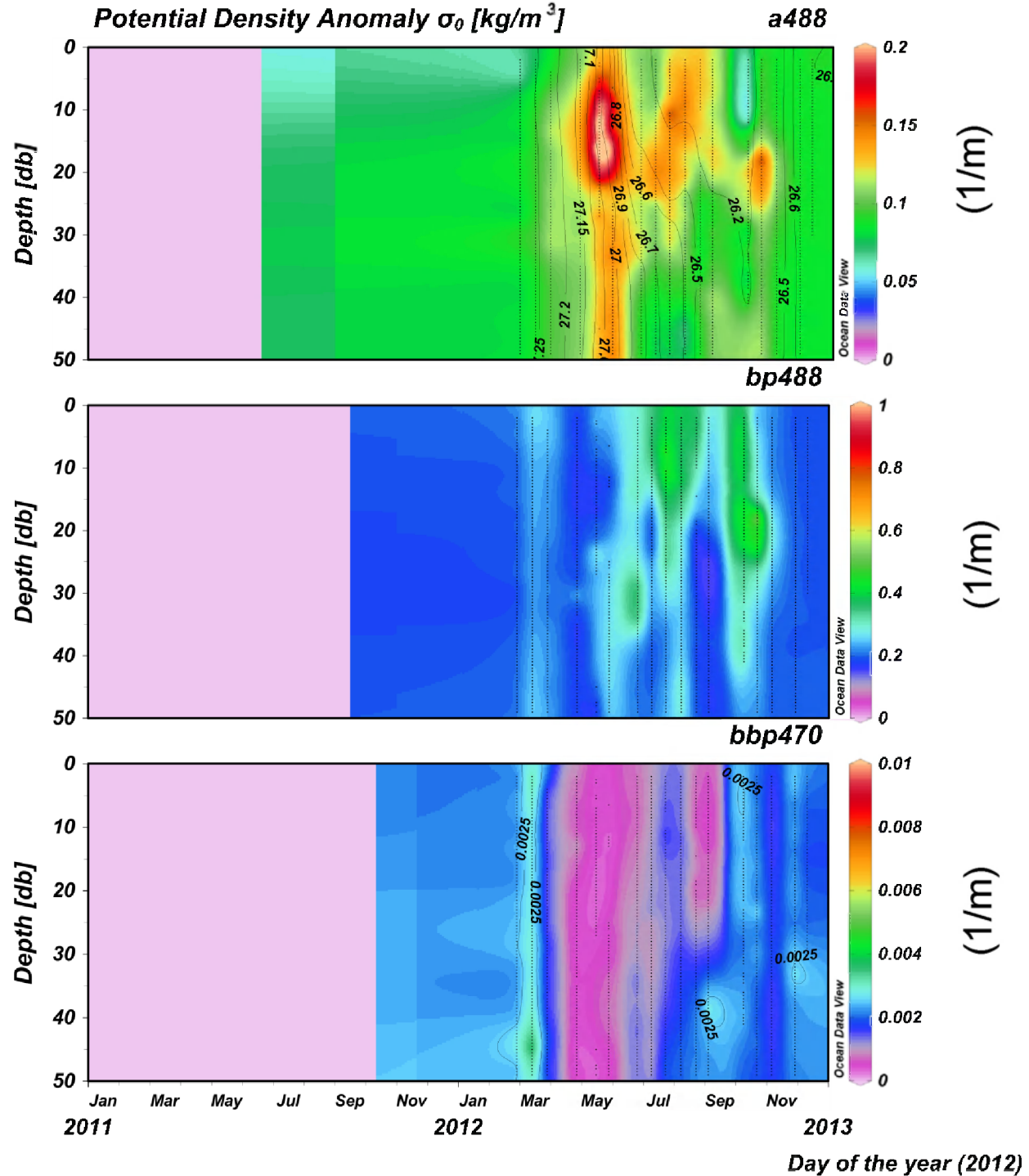
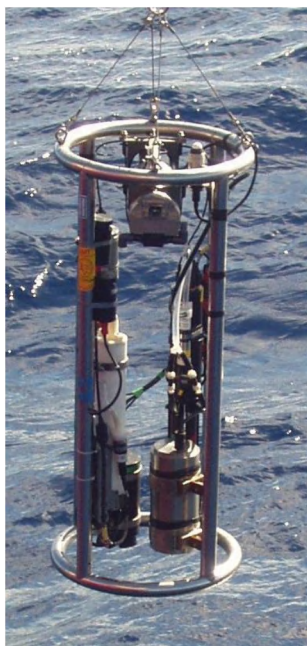
L4



WetLabs ac-9; Absorption & attenuation
Seabird 19 CTD; Temperature & salinity
WetLabs ECO-VSF3 ; backscatter
Satlantic HyperSAS; Downwelling irradiance



E1



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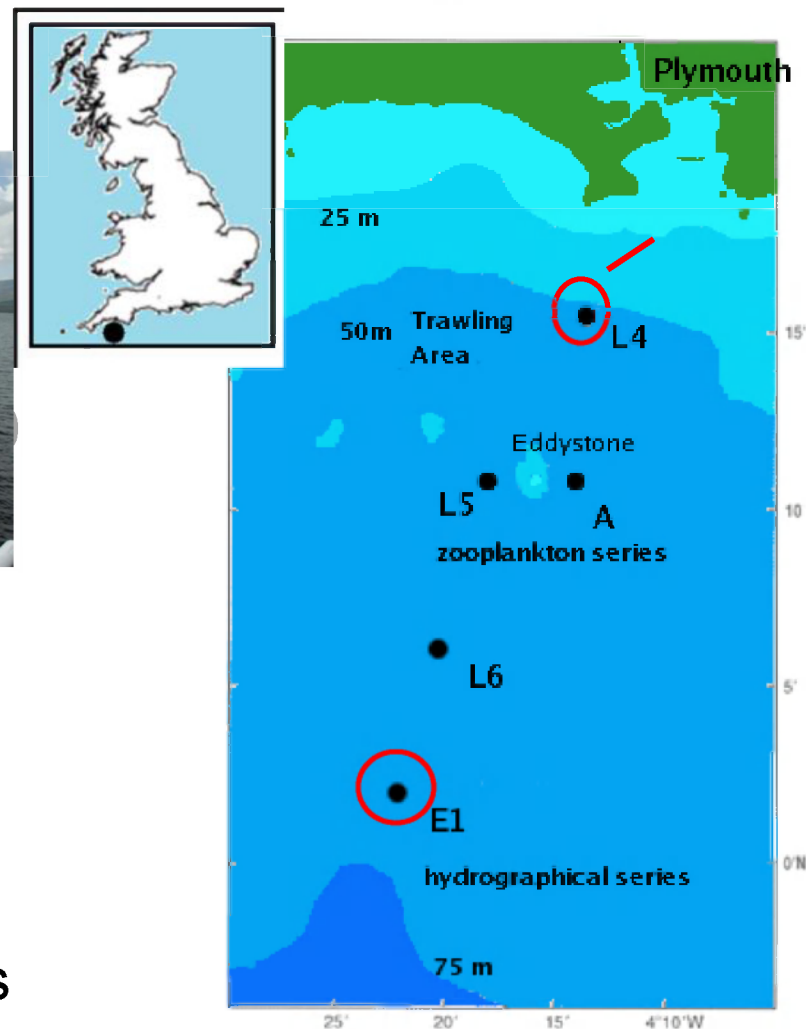
A common tool to test and develop EO products for eutrophication



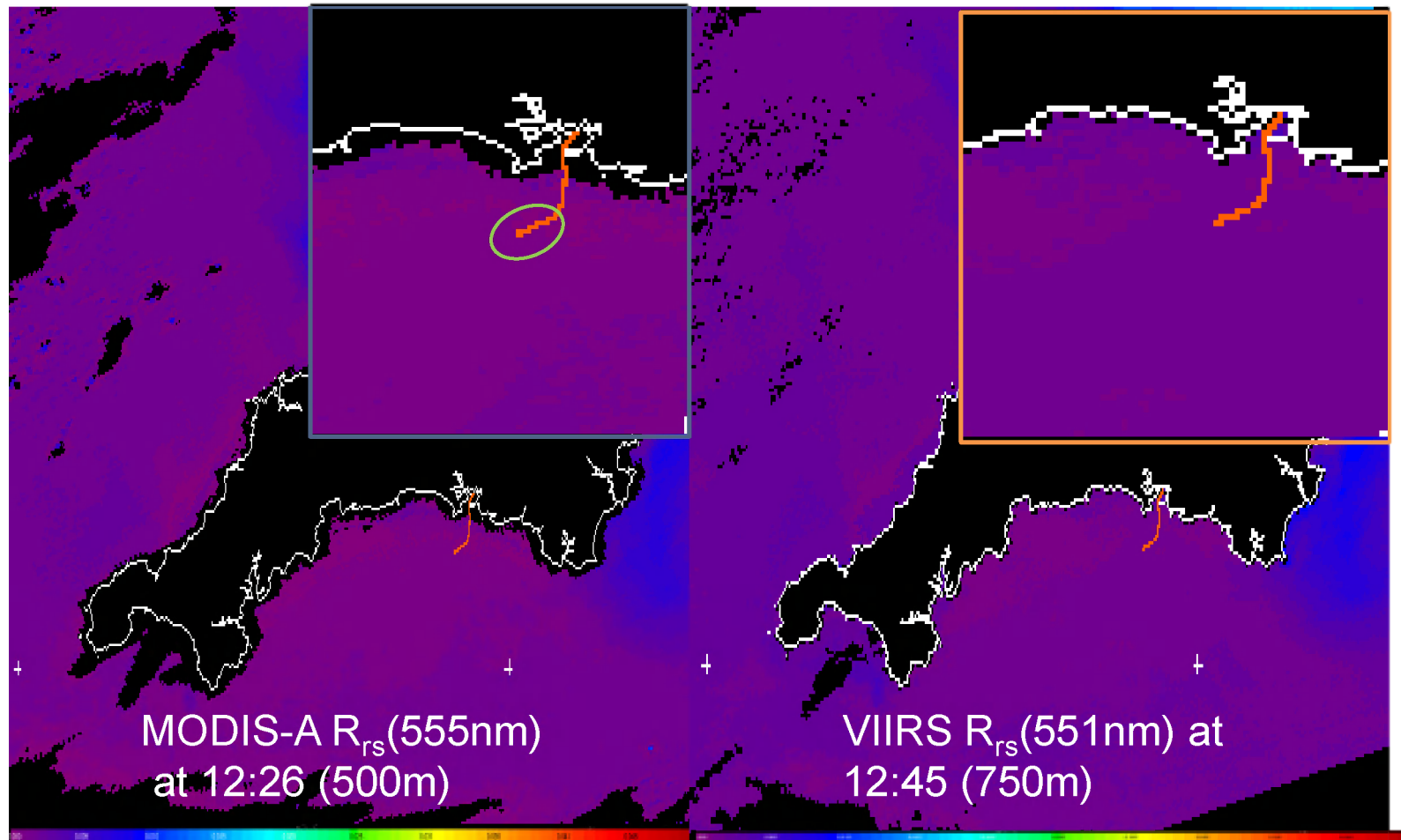
stations

• Question 2:

- **Above water optics:** dataset to test atmospheric correction and adjacency effects (~2h of data)
- Quantify the uncertainty sources from the in-situ data



Transect : 5th Sept. 2012 (9:30 – 11:20)

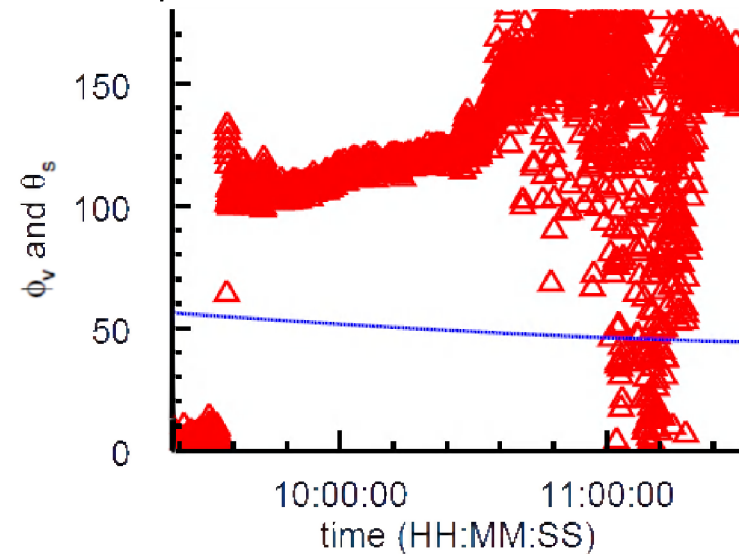




Sampling conditions

- $\sim 40^\circ$ from nadir (θ_v)
- Solar zenith angle (θ_s) $\sim 50^\circ$
- Crew “instructed” to maintain 135° away from sun (azimuth viewing direction ϕ_v)
- 7 m above the water surface
- Clear sky

Effective $\phi_v \sim 100 - 170^\circ$

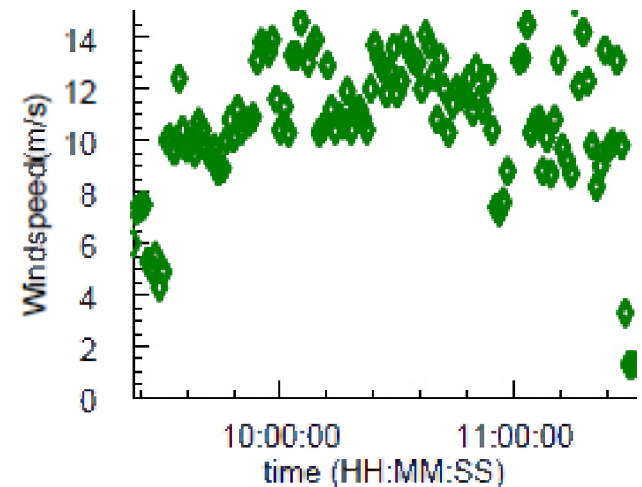


Satlantic HyperSAS above water system

Hyperspectral sensors (350-800 nm):

- Downwelling Irradiance (E_d)
- Upwelling radiance (L_u)
- Sky radiance (L_s)
- Tilt and Heading sensor (THR)
- Sampling frequency $\sim 0.5\text{Hz}$
- FOV $\sim 3^\circ$

Median Wind speed = 11ms^{-1}



Mobley (1999)

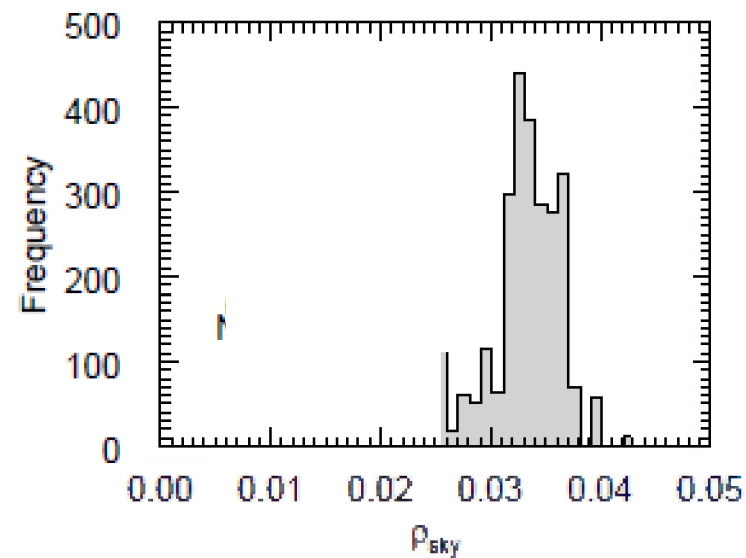
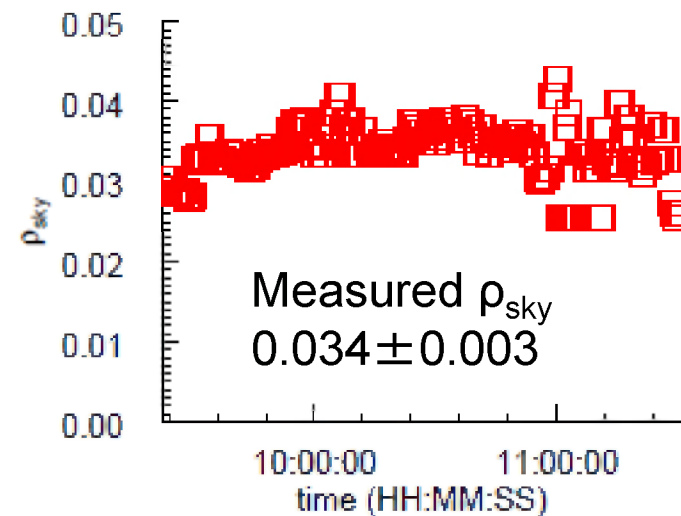
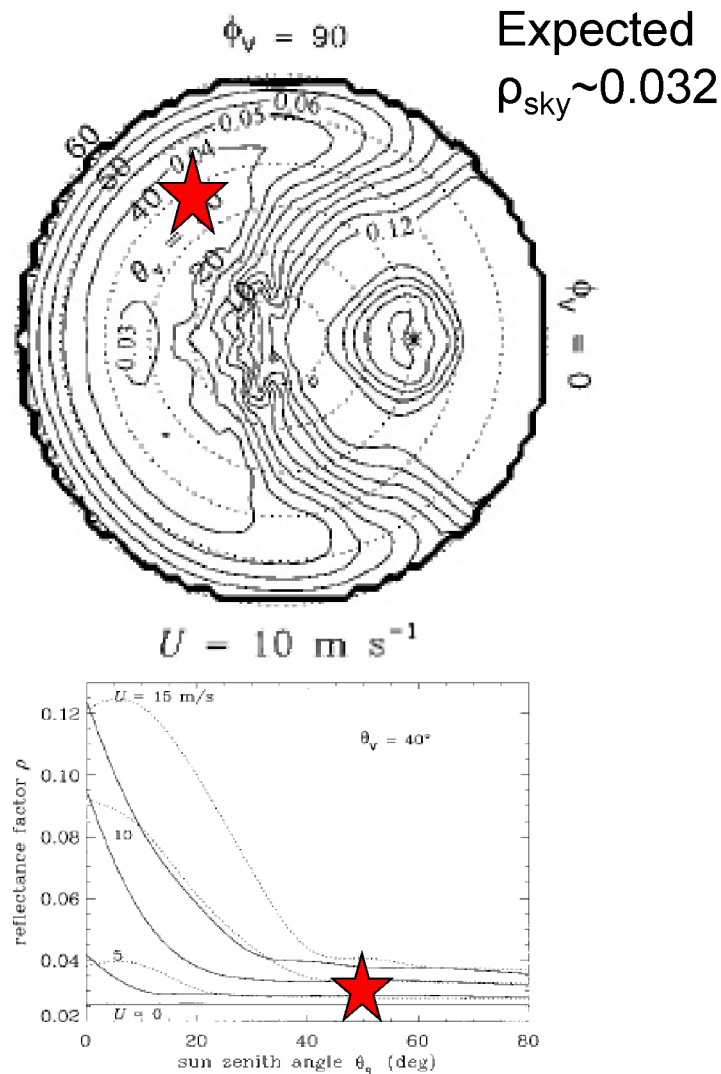
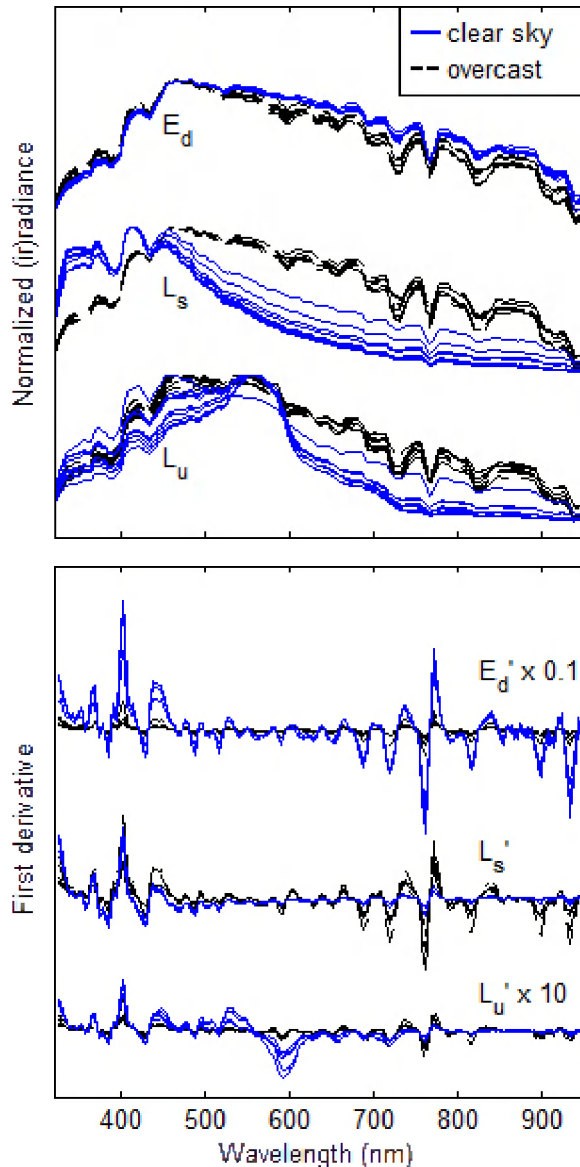


Fig. 9. Effect of wind speed and Sun zenith angle on ρ for a viewing direction of $\theta_v = 40$ deg and a clear-sky radiance distribution. The solid curves are for an azimuthal viewing direction of $\phi_v = 135$ deg and the dotted curves are for $\phi_v = 90$ deg.

Processing

- Standard processing (S95, with reflectance factor of Mobley, 1999)
- Similarity spectra (Ruddick et al.2006)
- Automated QC (Simis & Olsson, 2012)

Method overview



1. Find atmospheric gas absorption features in L_s and L_u

use derivative spectra, locate 10-15

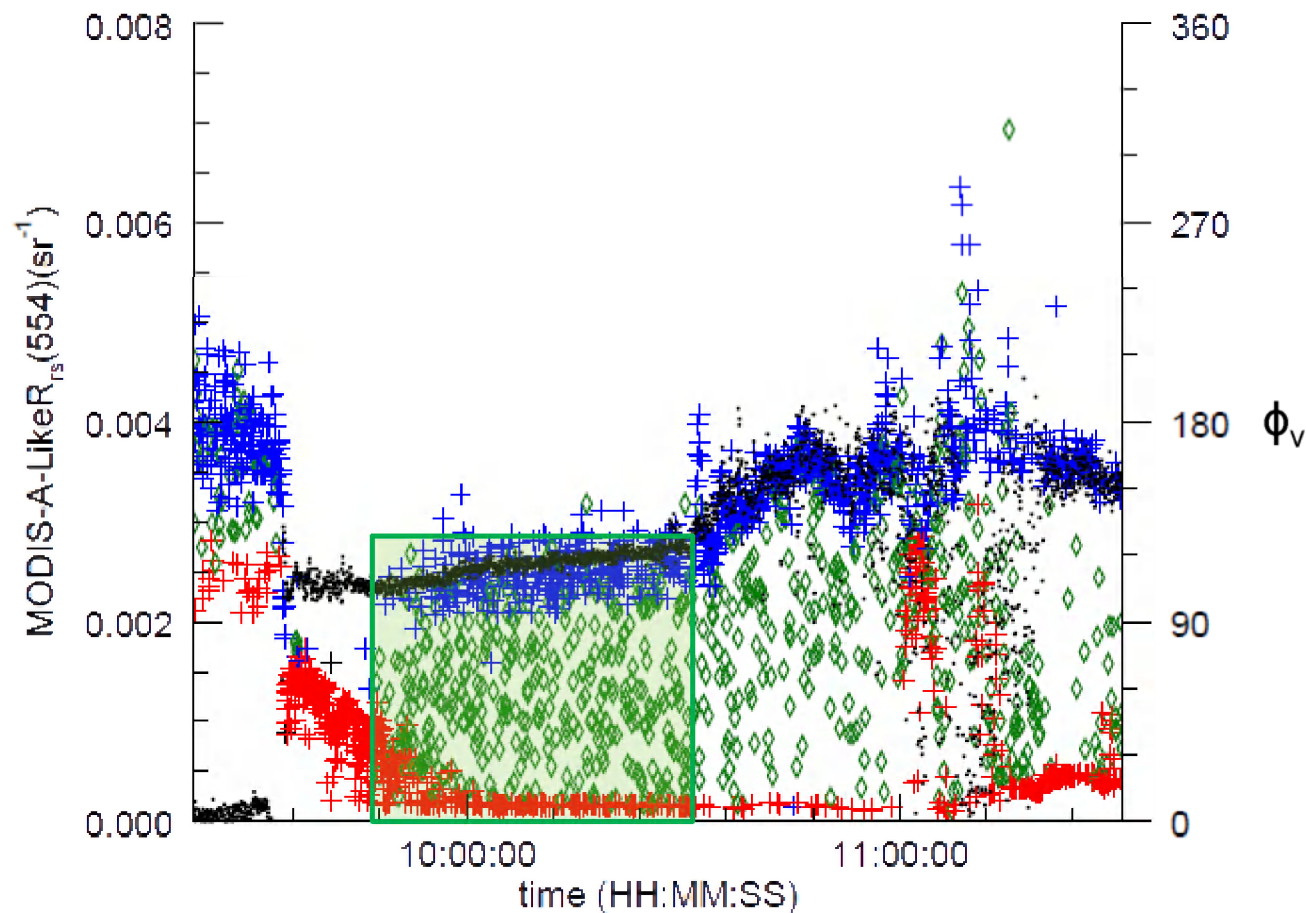
2. define limits for ρ_{sky}

min: 0.0247 – max: R_{rs} not negative

3. Optimize ρ_{sky} in

$$R_{rs} = [L_u - (\rho_{\text{sky}} L_{\text{sky}})]/E_d$$

so that R_{rs} is curved but smooth:
gas absorption features are narrow but water absorption features are broad.

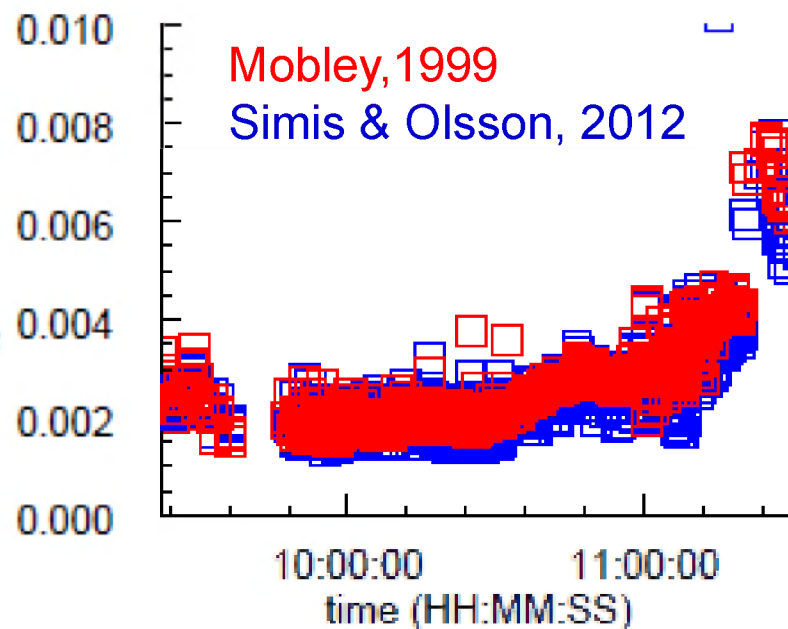
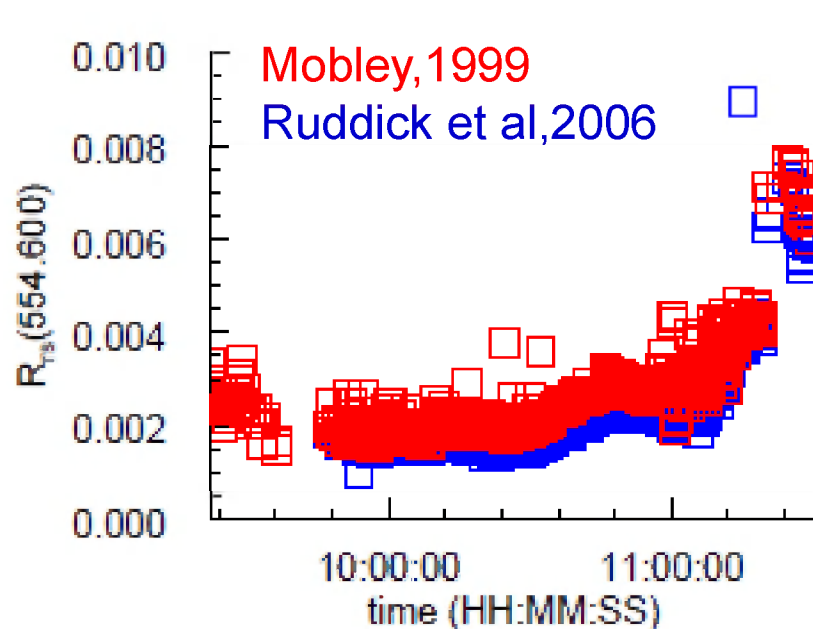


Black – viewing azimuth, ϕ_v

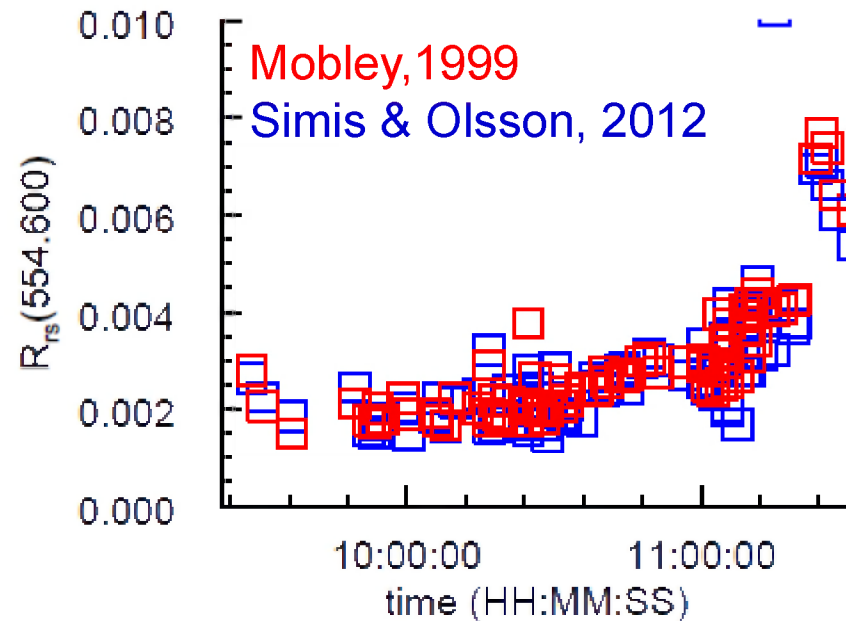
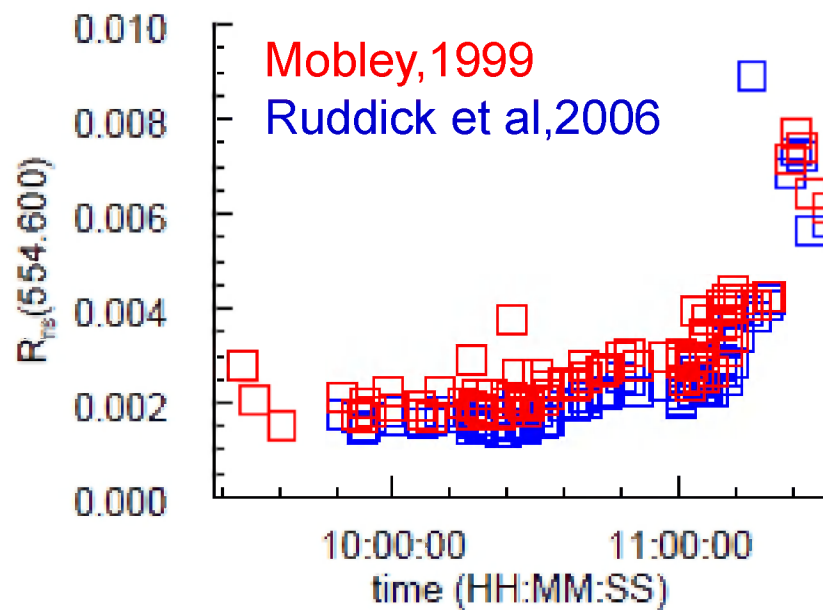
Green - Valid estimates of ρ_{sky}

Blue and red – Invalid estimates of ρ_{sky}

Valid ρ_{sky} , N=1876

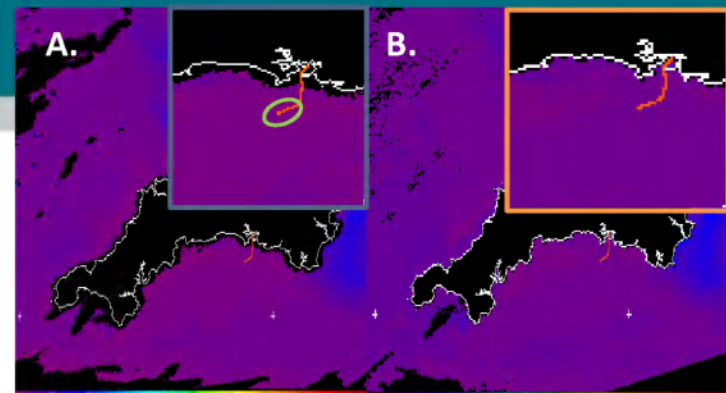


Median UPD (%)	412	442	466	488	530	547	554	Average
Ruddick et al.(2006)	22	20	19	16	18	19	20	19
Simis & Olsson (2012)	19	15	12	9	8	8	8	11

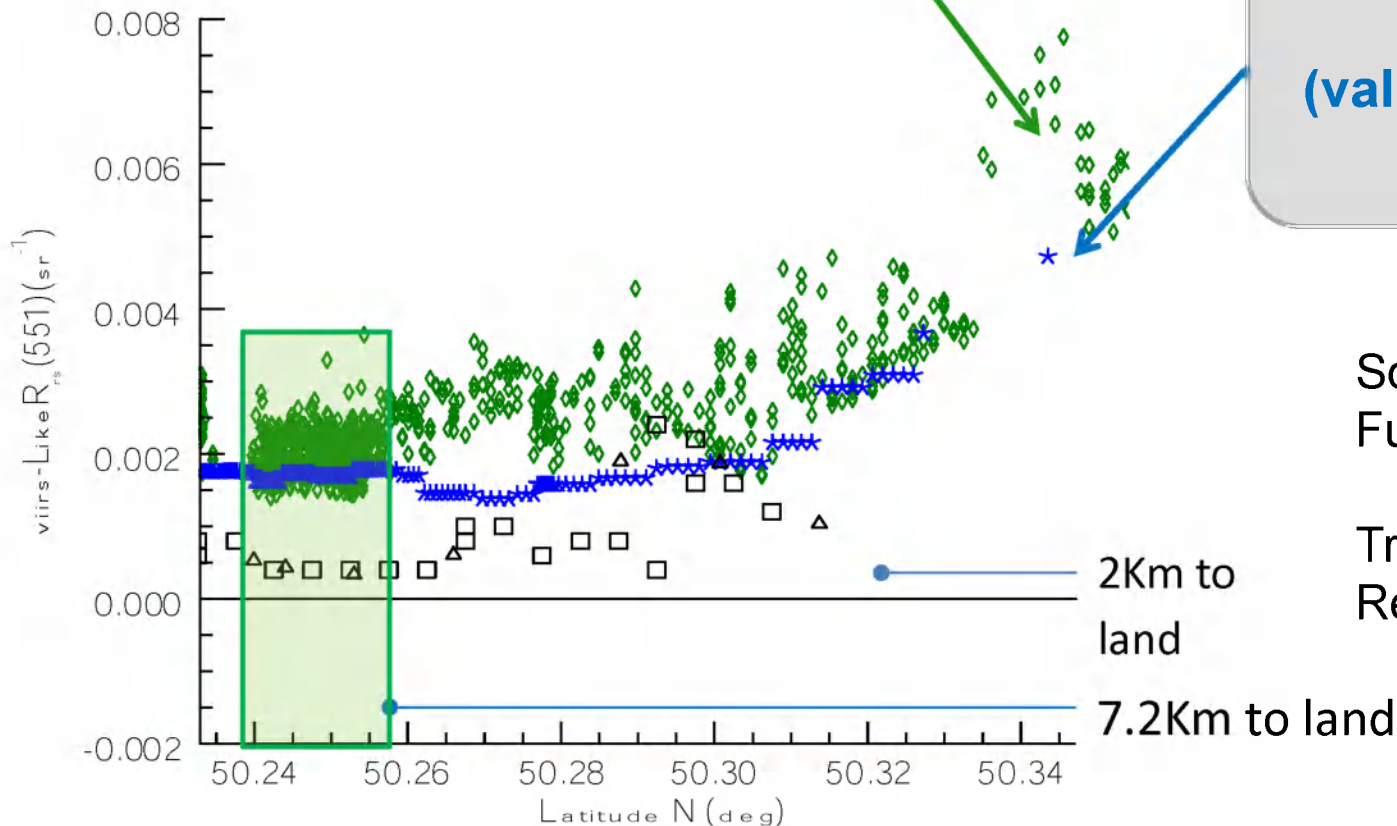


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In-situ HyperSAS



VIIRS
(values repeated for same pixel)



Conclusions and future work

- In-situ bio-optical coastal work on-going
- Double approach:
 - Long term bio-optical monitoring
 - Occasional testing with other data
- Preliminary results show large differences just by processing methods.
 - First adaptation of this method on Satlantic. Not >800nm
 - SEAPOL correction (Santer & Zagolski, 2012)
 - Do comparisons with other above water/in-water systems.
- Routine measurements for 2013
- Coupling to azimuth adjusting system (S. Simis, OOXXI-2012)

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