

Remote sensing of airborne particulate matter using multiangle spectroradiometry and spectropolarimetry

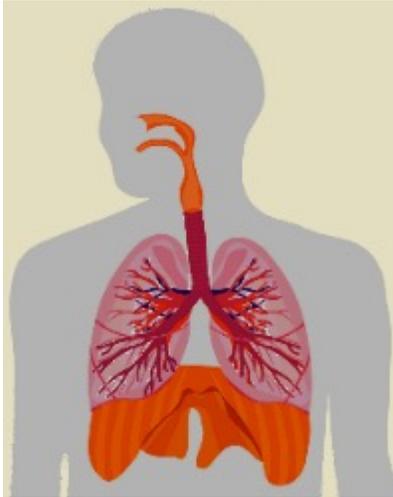
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Particulate matter (PM) impacts on human health



Airborne PM is a well-known cause of cardiovascular and respiratory diseases.

Coarse particles (PM_{10} - $PM_{2.5}$) irritate our respiratory systems.

Fine particles ($PM_{2.5}$) penetrate deep into our lungs. Toxins can migrate to other organs.

- Heart attacks
- Stroke
- Lung disease, lung cancer
- Aggravated asthma
- Low birth weight and preterm delivery



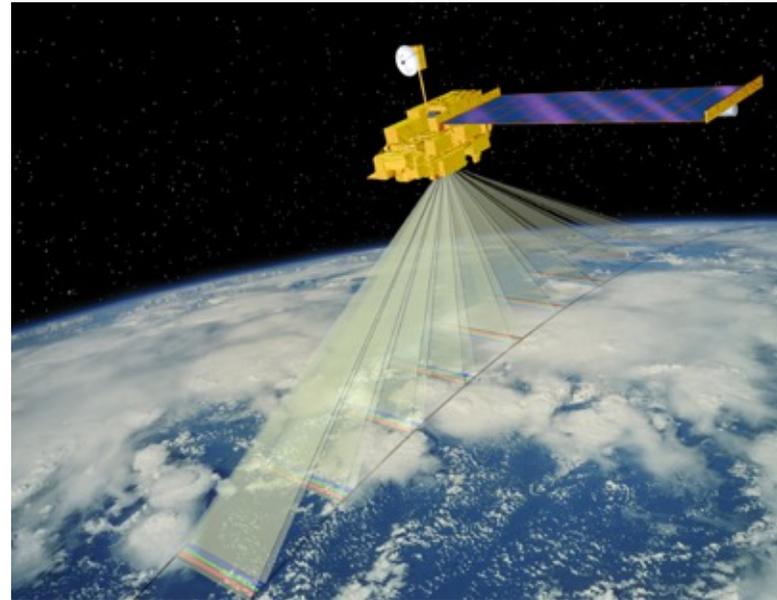
Importance of particle type



- Although PM is implicated in many adverse health impacts, the relative toxicity of specific **PM types** is not well understood
- PM “type” refers to the fractional proportions of PM_{10} , $PM_{2.5}$, and $PM_{2.5}$ components (sulfate, nitrate, organic carbon, black carbon, dust)
- According to the US EPA (2013)
 - [T]he evidence is not yet sufficient to allow differentiation of those constituents or sources that may be more closely related to specific health outcomes.
 - The use of central fixed-site monitors to represent population exposure is a key factor limiting our knowledge as to which PM types pose the greatest health risks.

Multi-angle Imaging SpectroRadiometer (MISR)

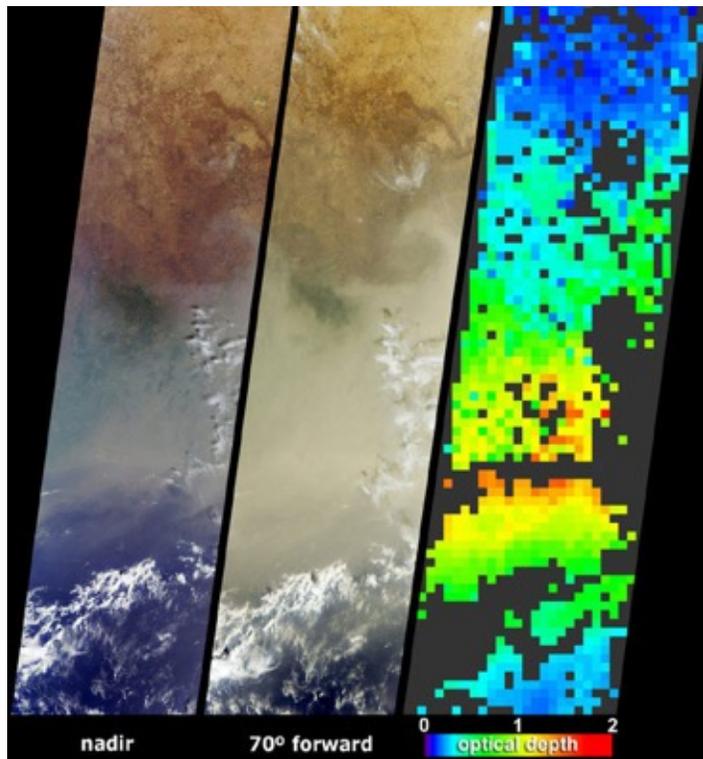
- 9 view angles between $\pm 70^\circ$
- 275 m sampling
- Four spectral bands:
446, 558, 672, 866 nm



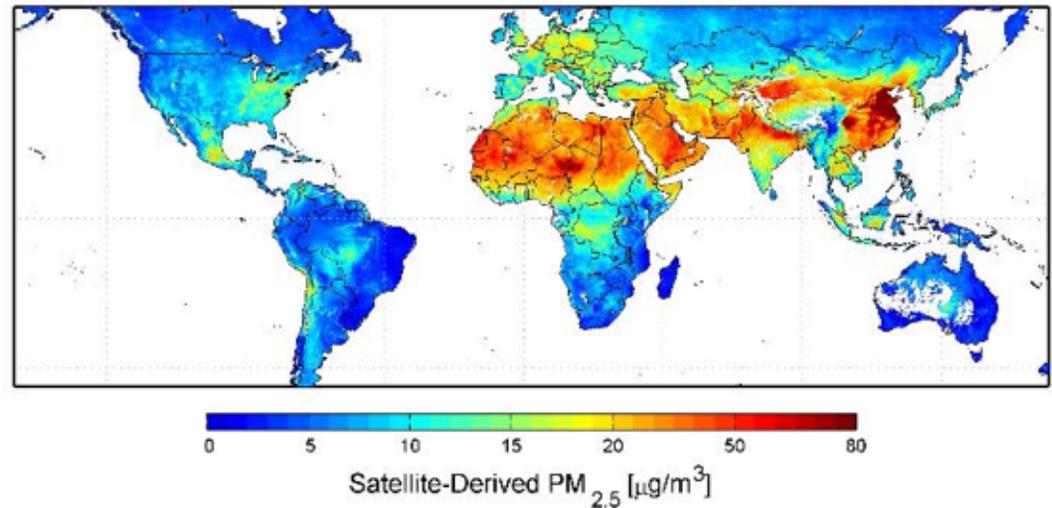
Terra launch, Dec. 1999



Oblique-angle sensitivity to aerosols over many surface types



MISR imagery and AOD over Western Africa



van Donkelaar et al. (2010, 2015)

PM_{2.5} maps derived from MODIS and MISR are used in many health studies, e.g.,

- Global Burden of Disease (*Brauer et al., 2012*)
- Relative risk of death from circulatory system diseases (*Jerrett et al., 2017*)
- Associations between PM_{2.5} and low birth weights (*Fleischer et al., 2014*)
- Increased breast cancer mortality risk from PM_{2.5} exposure (*Tagliabue et al., 2016*)

Relating AOD to PM concentration

$$[\text{PM}] \approx \left[\frac{4\rho r_{\text{eff}}}{3Q_{\text{ext}} H} \right] \text{AOD}$$

- These factors are highly variable
- Difficult to obtain reliable accuracies from first principles

Gupta and Christopher (2009)

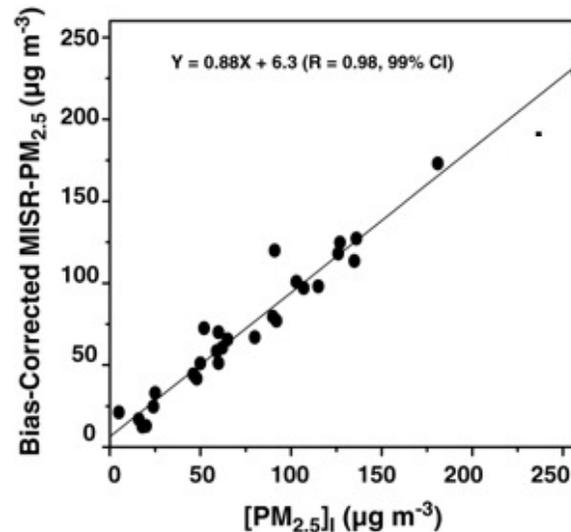
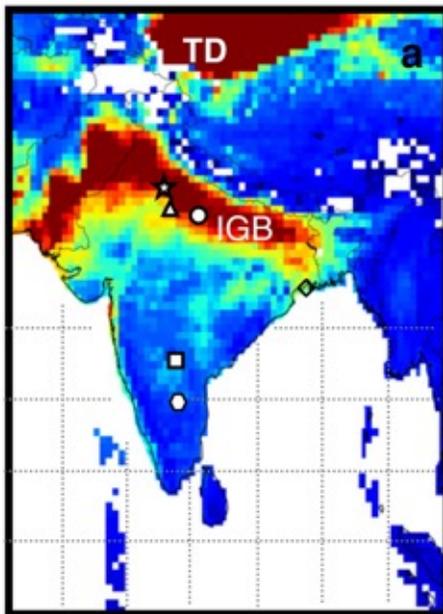
- ρ = particle density
- r_{eff} = effective particle radius (ratio of 3rd to 2nd moment of size distribution)
- Q_{ext} = extinction efficiency (ratio of optical to geometric cross section of the particles) under ambient conditions
- H = height of the aerosol layer

Mapping of PM_{2.5} over India with MISR

Empirical regressions work better, e.g., $PM_{2.5} = A \times \eta \times AOD + B$

η is calculated from GOES-Chem and is a function of aerosol size, type, diurnal variation, vertical distribution, and relative humidity

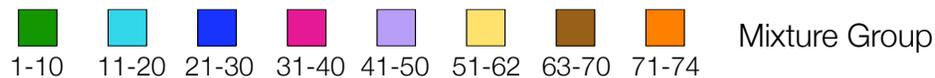
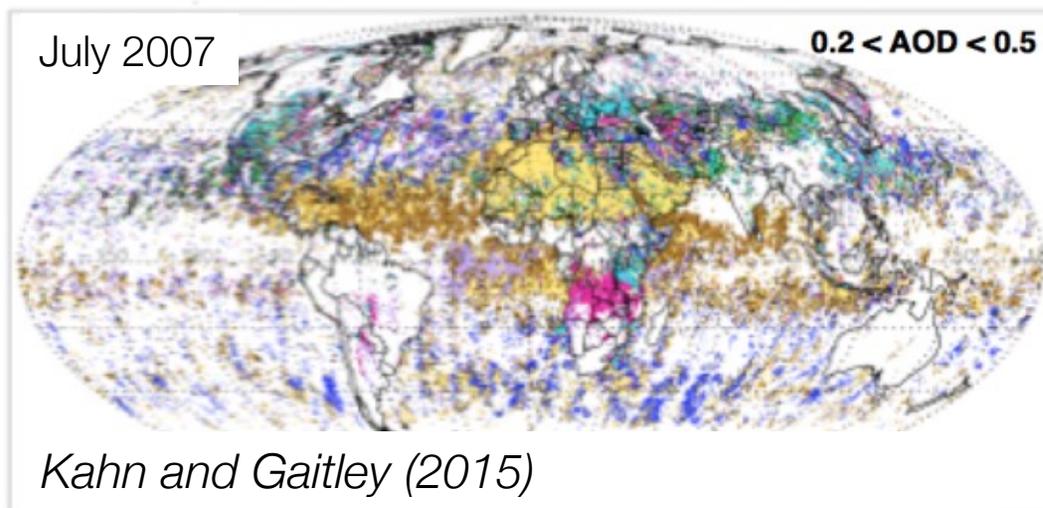
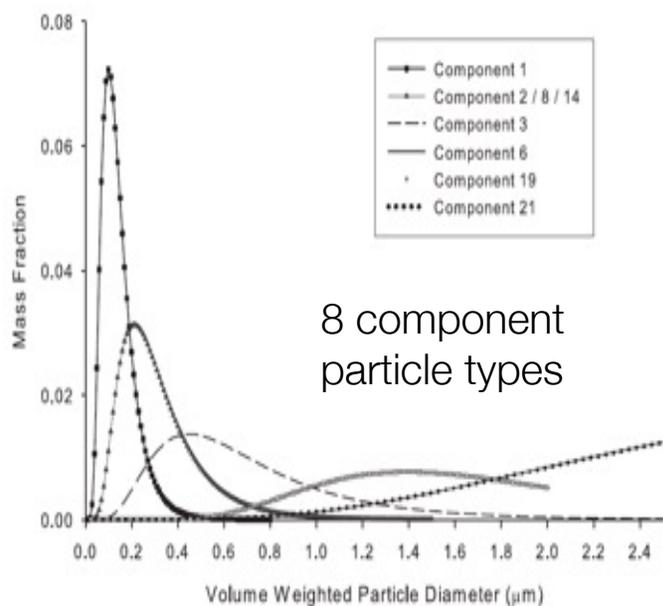
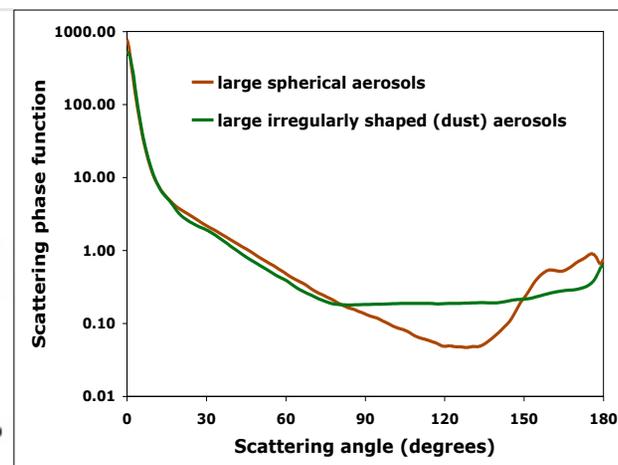
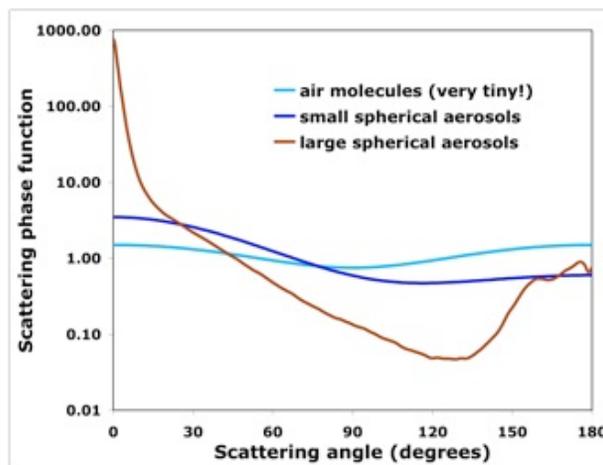
A, B = correction factors are derived from surface PM_{2.5} measurements



Dey et al. (2012)
Liu et al. (2004, 2007)
van Donkelaar et al. (2006, 2010)



Multiangular sensitivity to particle size and shape

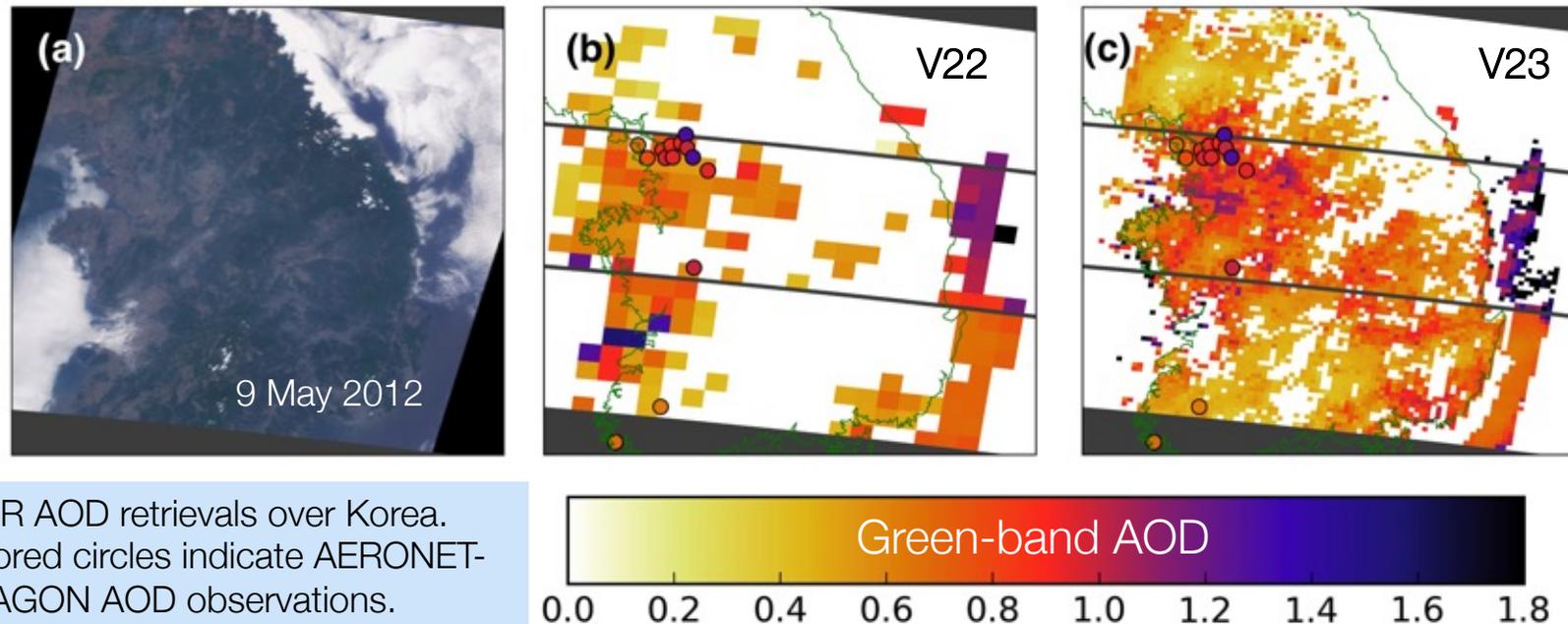


Spherical, non-absorbing

Non-spherical

Spherical, absorbing

New MISR global 4.4 km resolution AOD product to be released Fall 2017



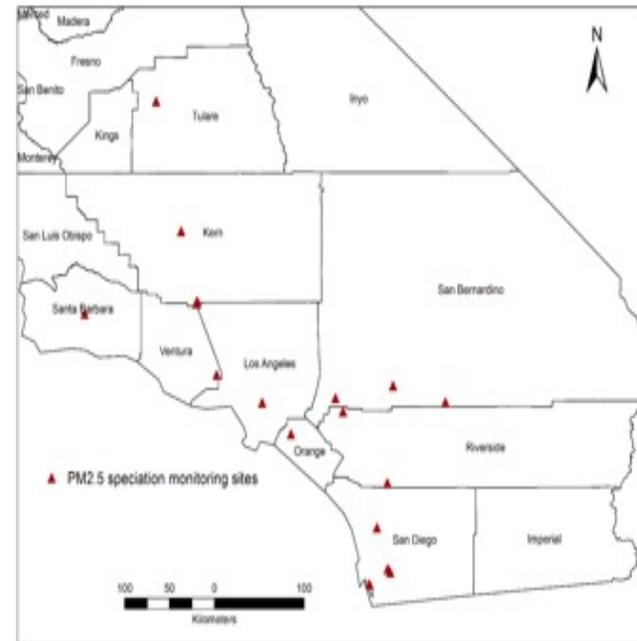
- High-resolution aerosol data is important for urban-scale air-quality and health impact assessments.
- Compared to the current MISR V22 aerosol product, the new V23 product will:
 - improve the spatial resolution from 17.6 km to 4.4 km
 - increase spatial coverage and enhance the ability to resolve aerosol spatial gradients
 - increase accuracy at high and low AODs compared to AERONET sunphotometer data

Garay et al. (2017)

Use of MISR fractional 4.4-km AODs for speciated $PM_{2.5}$ retrieval in California

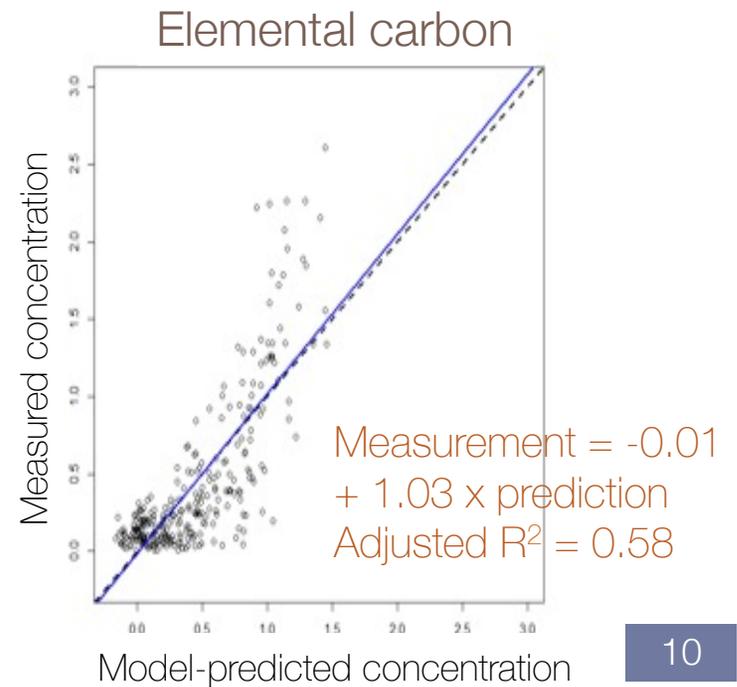
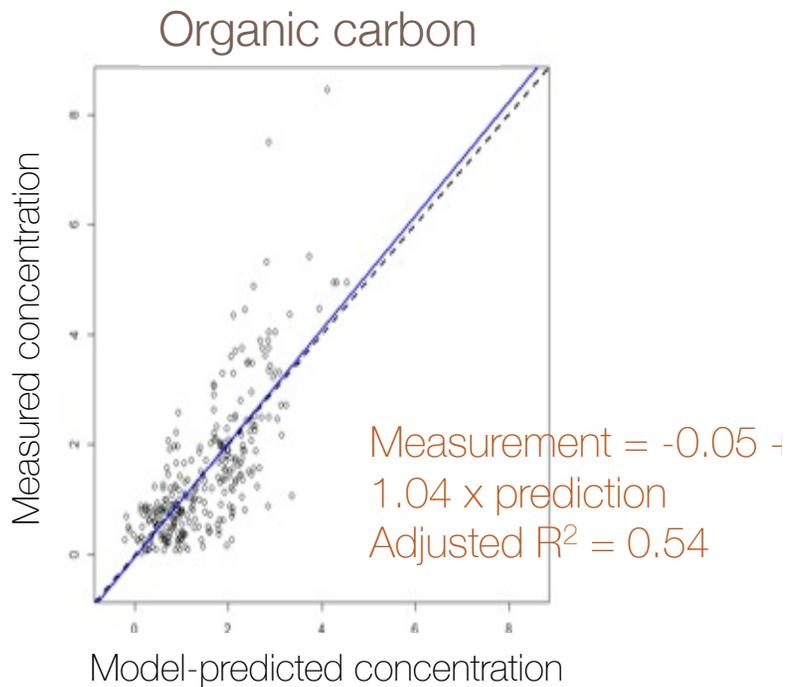
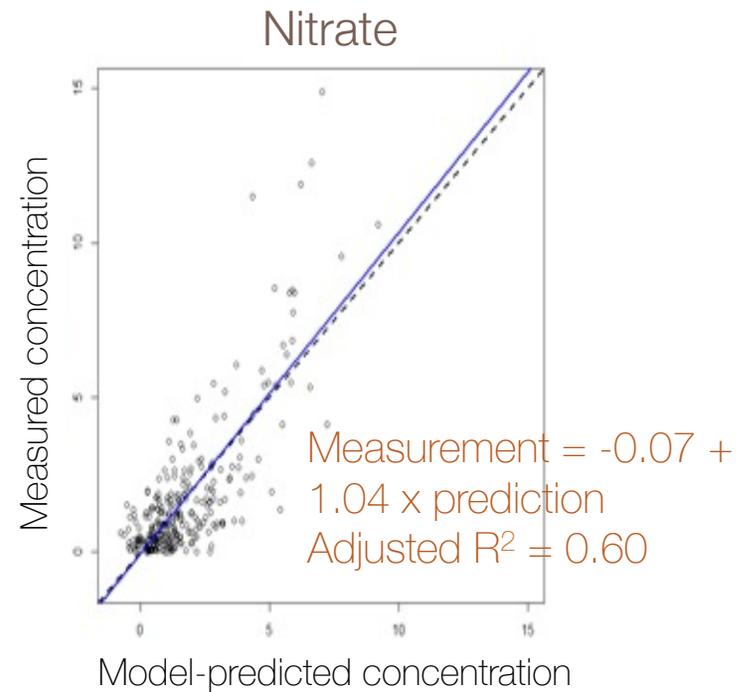
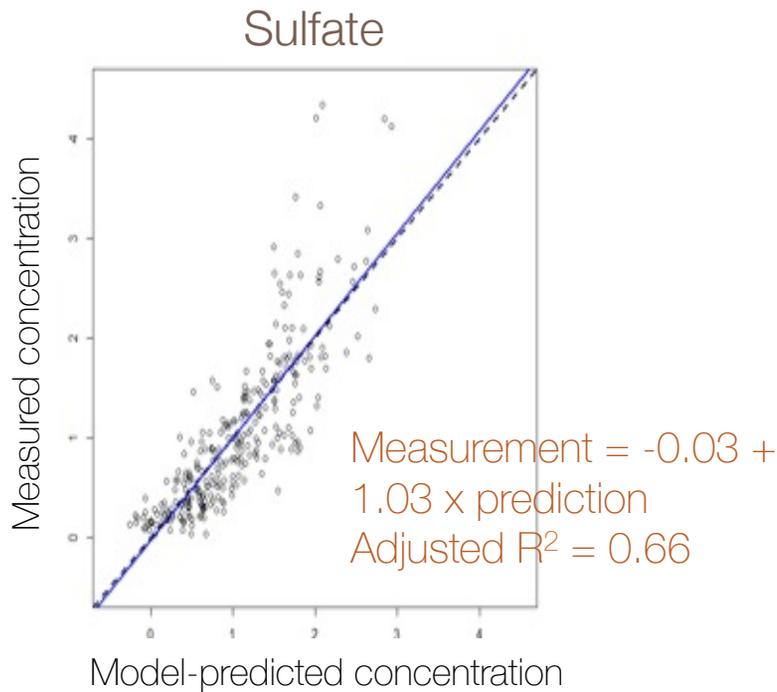
$$\begin{aligned} PM_{2.5} \text{ speciation} = & \sum_{i=1}^8 f_i(\text{MISR fractional AOD}_i) \\ & + f_k(\text{predictor}_k) \\ & + f_{x,y}(x,y) \\ & + f_t(t) \end{aligned}$$

Meng et al. (2017)



- $f_i(\text{MISR fractional AOD}_i)$ is smooth term of MISR fractional AOD_{*i*}
- $f_k(\text{predictor}_k)$ is the smooth term of predictor variables *k*, including elevation, PBLH, NDVI and road length
- $f_{x,y}(x,y)$ is a 2-D smooth spatial function of sites' coordinates
- $f_t(t)$ is a nonlinear term of DOY or the YEAR varying smoothly in time

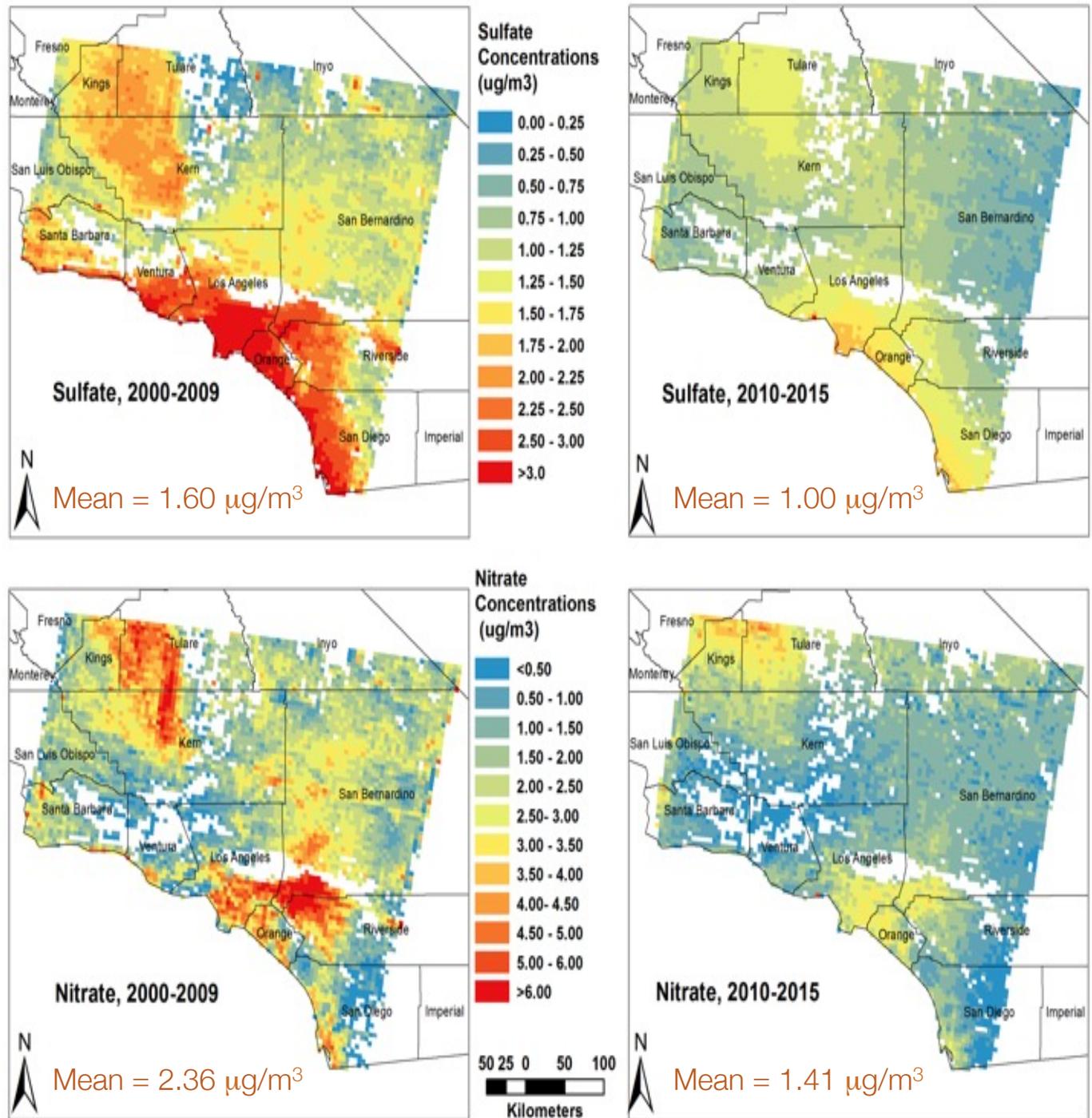
Daily
speciated
PM_{2.5},
2010-2015



Meng et al.
(2017)

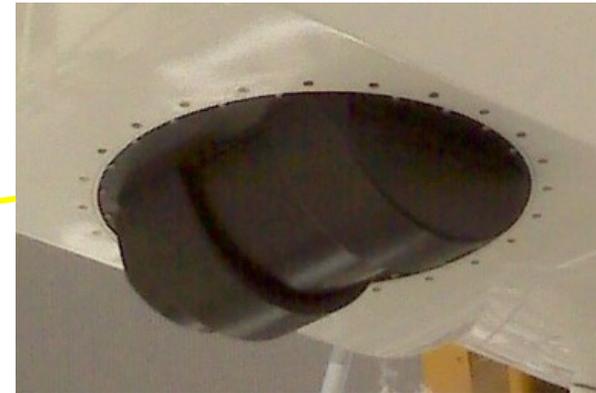
Averaged annual means of predicted sulfate and nitrate PM_{2.5} concentrations

Meng et al. (2017)



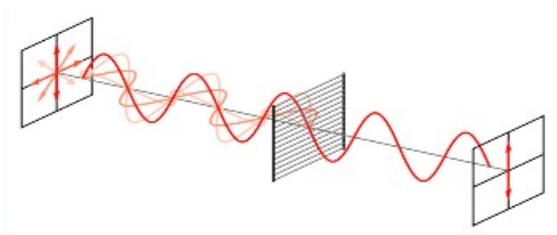
JPL Airborne Multiangle SpectroPolarimetric Imager (AirMSPI)

- Gimbaled camera with selectable view angles between $\pm 67^\circ$
- Uses electro-optical measurement approach to provide accurate polarimetric imaging without moving parts
- 10 m sampling
- 355, 380, 445, 470*, 555, 660*, 865*, 935 nm (*polarized)

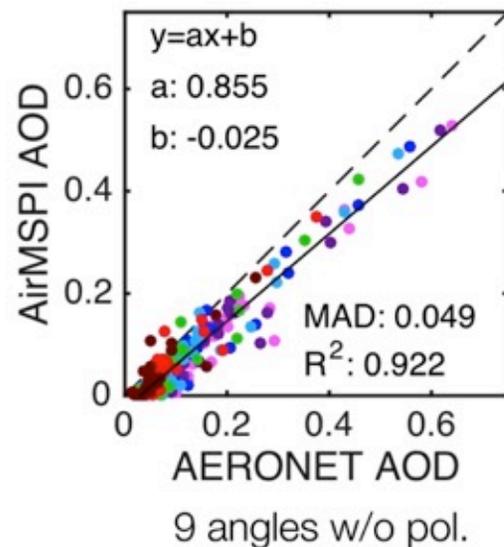


Flying since 2010 on the NASA ER-2 aircraft (20 km flight altitude)
PODEX, SEAC4RS, CalWater-2, RADEX, ImPACT-PM, ORACLES

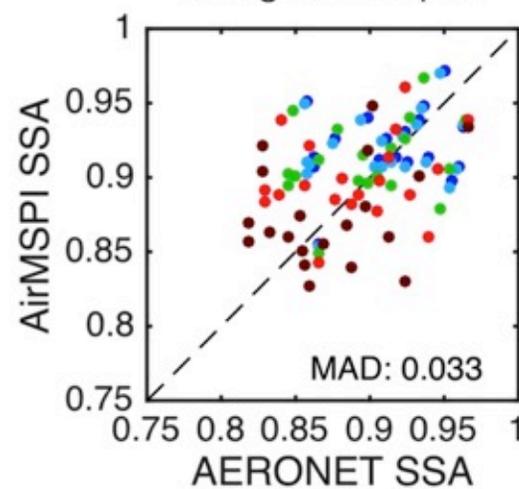
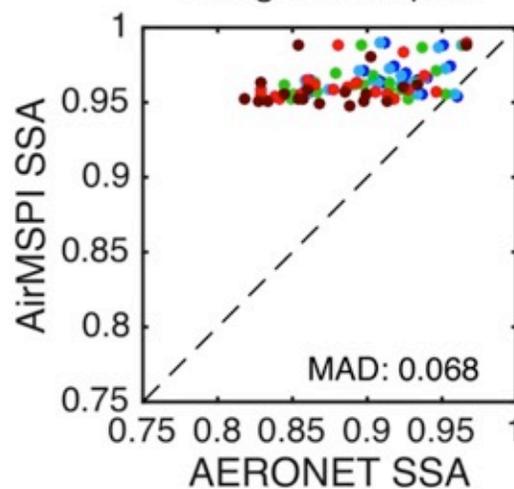
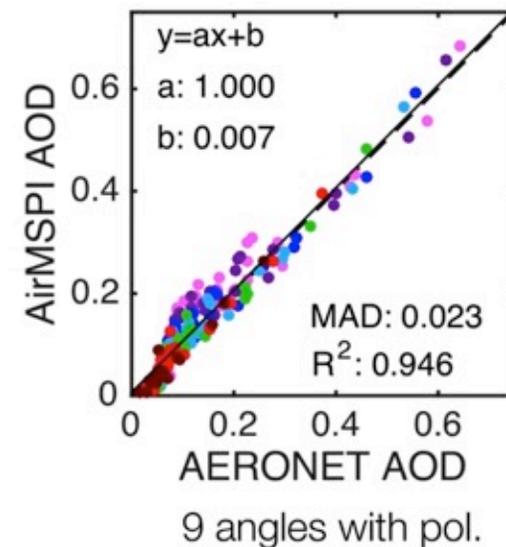
Inclusion of polarization reduces retrieval scatter and bias



Without polarization



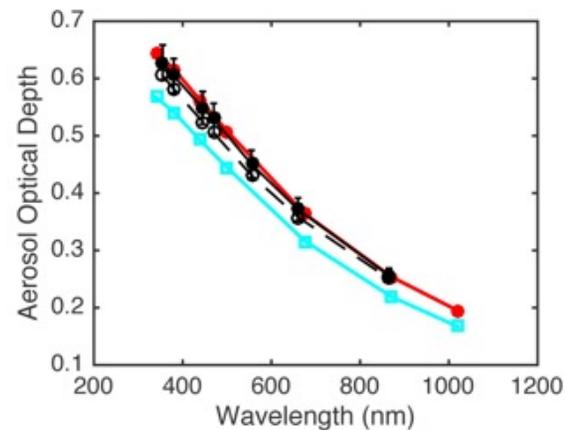
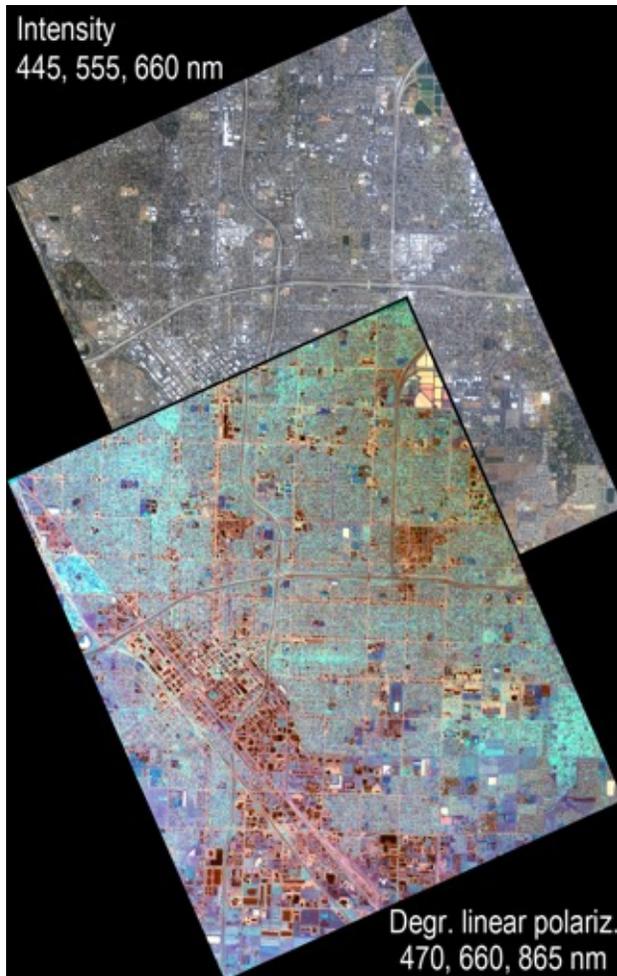
With polarization



MAD = mean absolute difference

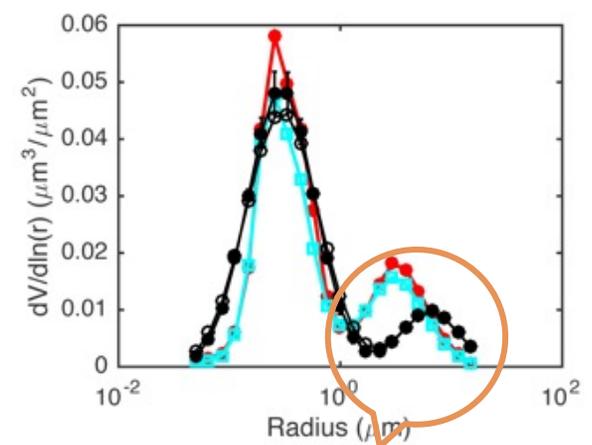
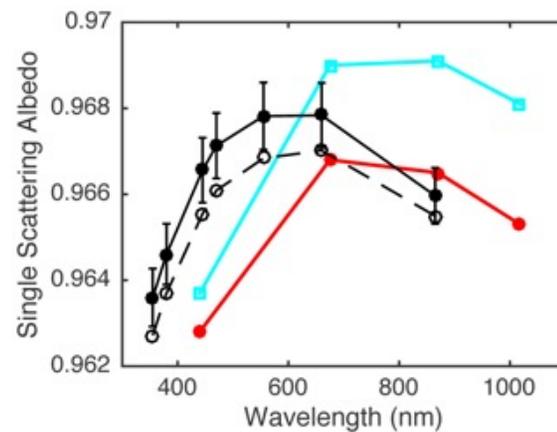
Xu et al. (2017)

AirMSPI sensitivity to aerosol particle properties



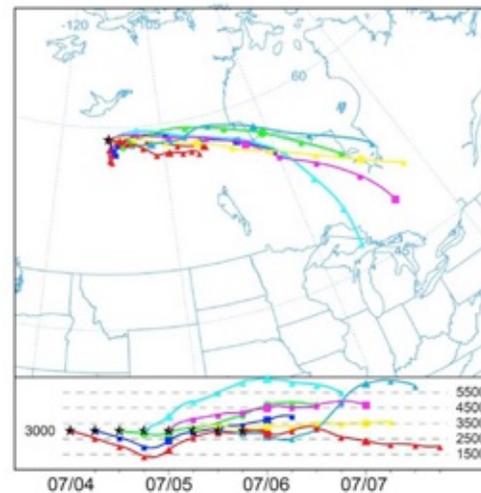
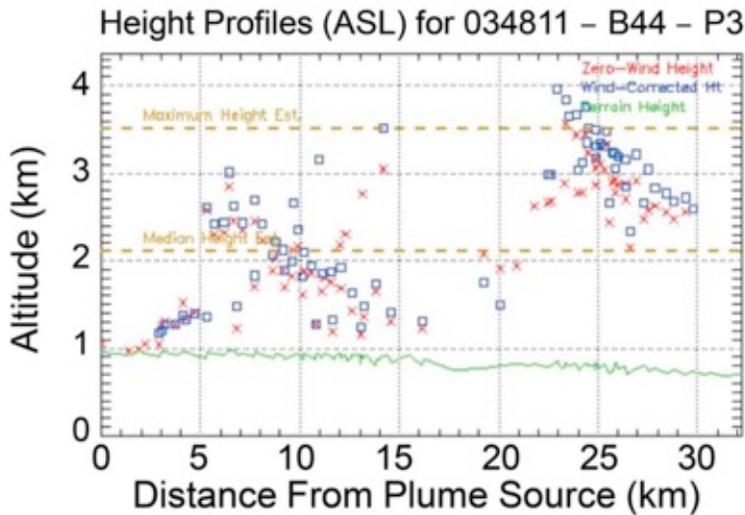
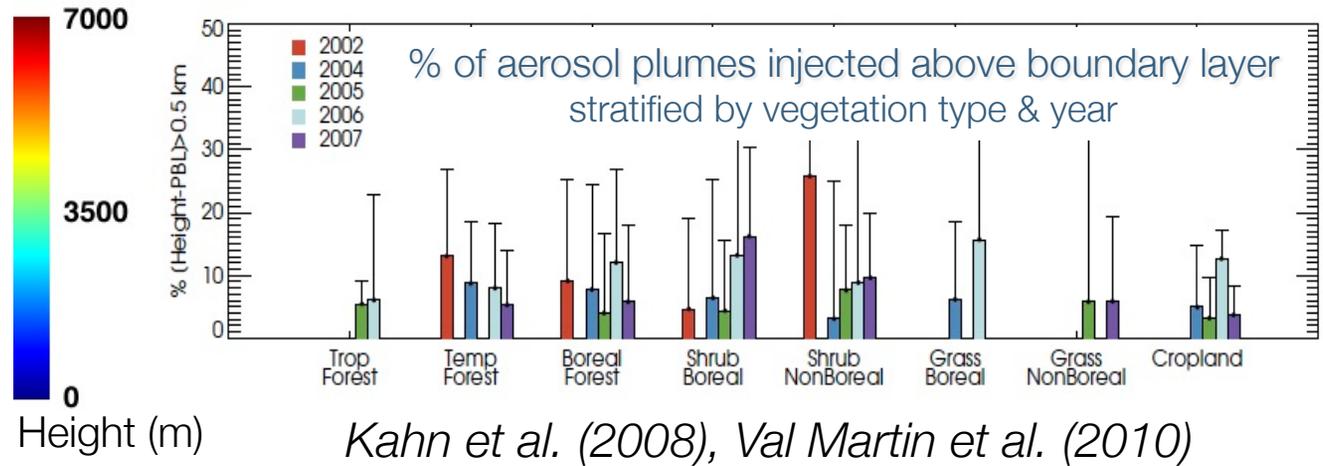
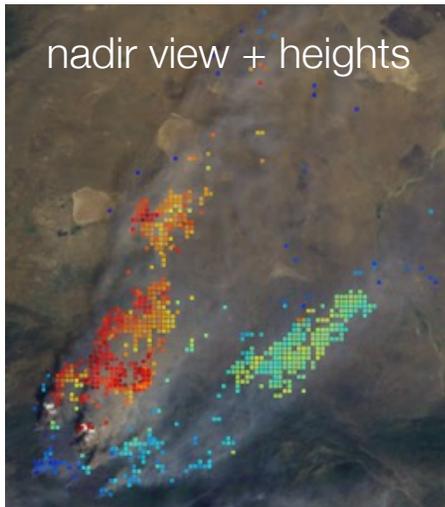
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Fresno, CA 6 Jan
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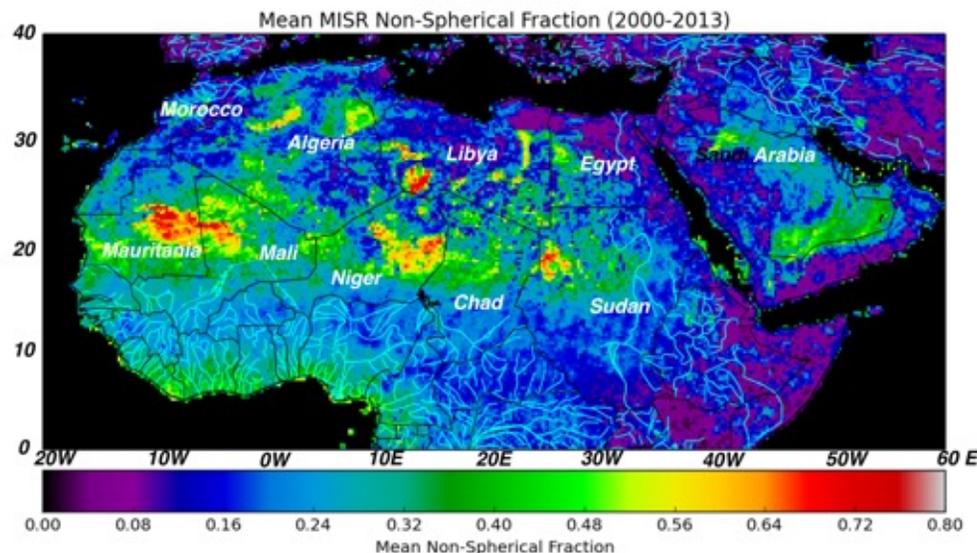
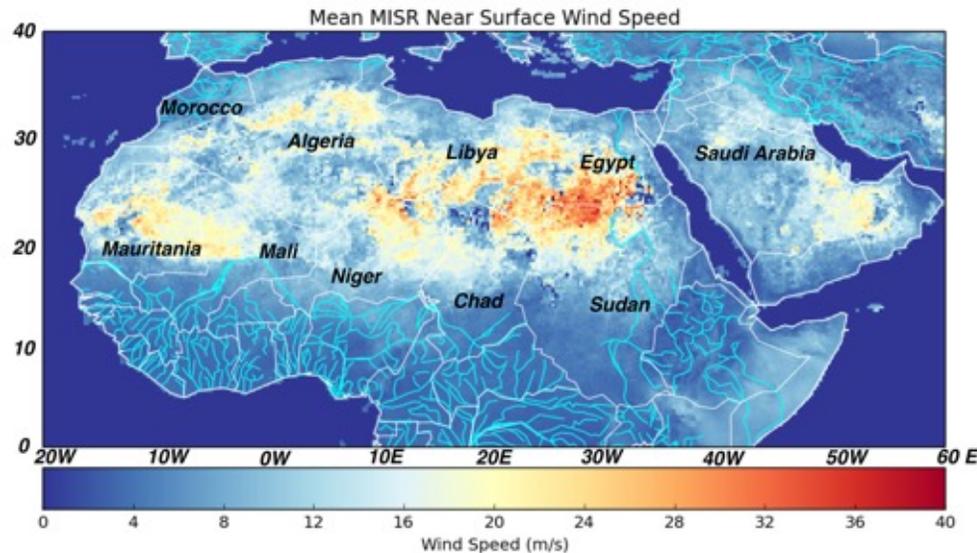
Limited sensitivity to coarse mode with
UV/VNIR observations only

MISR stereoscopic sensitivity to aerosol plume height



Miller et al. (2011)

Stereoscopic and time-lapse sensitivity to plume-tracked winds



- Middle East and African dust storms have significant environmental and societal impacts.
- Northwesterly Shamal winds are responsible for major dust events.
- MISR's near-surface wind and aerosol nonspherical fraction data products enable development of a Shamal climatology and seasonal dust prediction capability.

Yu et al. (2015, 2016)

Multi-Angle Imager for Aerosols (MAIA)

- MAIA was selected in March 2016 as part of NASA's Earth Venture Instrument program
- The satellite instrument will target major urban areas to assess the impacts of different types of airborne PM on human health
- TBD satellite and launch into sun-synchronous orbit, 600-850 km altitude, ~2021

birth outcomes (restricted intrauterine growth, preterm delivery, low birth weight)

acute illness events (e.g., asthma flare-ups), premature deaths

chronic cardiovascular and respiratory disease

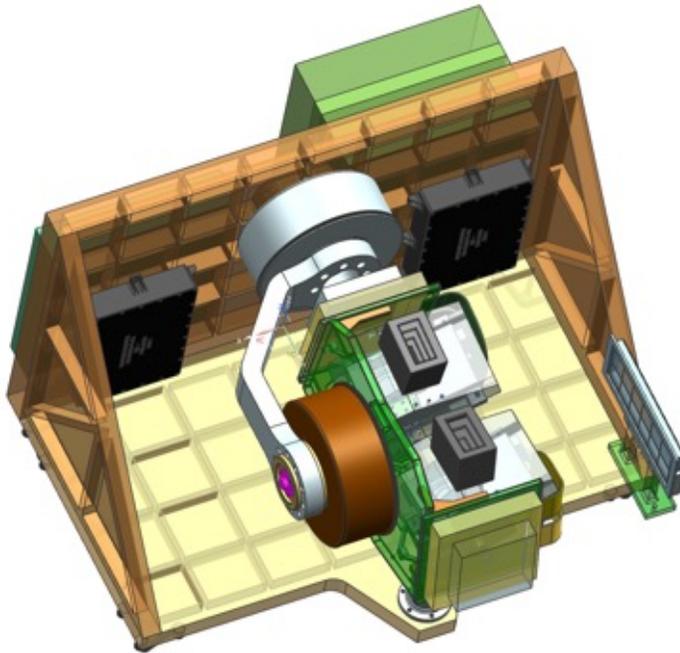


- Candidate Primary Target Areas
- Other target areas to be observed for air quality and climate science

Liu and Diner (2017)

MAIA instrument

- Contains a pair of spectroradiometric/polarimetric cameras on a 2-axis gimbal to image the selected target areas



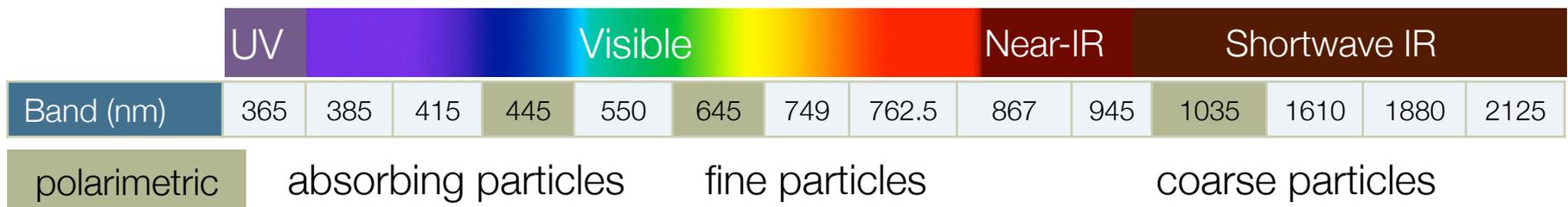
Along-track multi-angle viewing to $\pm 67^\circ$

Cross-track axis enables viewing targets off the sub-S/C track

Target dimensions ≥ 300 km cross-track x 150 km along-track

Nadir footprint ~ 200 m

PM data products to be generated in ground processing at 1 km resolution



(MISR, MODIS, TOMS, POLDER + airborne heritage)

Concluding remarks

- Benefits of multiangle imaging:
 - Oblique views enhance the aerosol signal relative to many types of surface background, including urban areas and deserts
 - Sampling of the particle phase functions provides sensitivity to particle size and shape—enhanced by inclusion of polarimetry
 - Stereoscopy maps aerosol plume injection heights
 - Time-lapse between views allows tracking atmospheric winds
- MISR and AirMSPI data illustrate these capabilities
- Regression of satellite AOD with surface PM and other environmental variables is effective for mapping airborne particulate concentrations
- MAIA will integrate UV/VNIR/SWIR and polarimetric observations to map PM types in major cities around the world
 - Epidemiologists on the MAIA science team will use the resulting data products to conduct health impact investigations

An aerial photograph showing a large, dark blue lake on the left side, with a wide, light-colored river valley extending from the top center towards the bottom center. The surrounding terrain is rugged and brownish, with some green patches of vegetation. The text "Thank you" and "David.J.Diner@jpl.nasa.gov" is overlaid in white on the right side of the image.

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