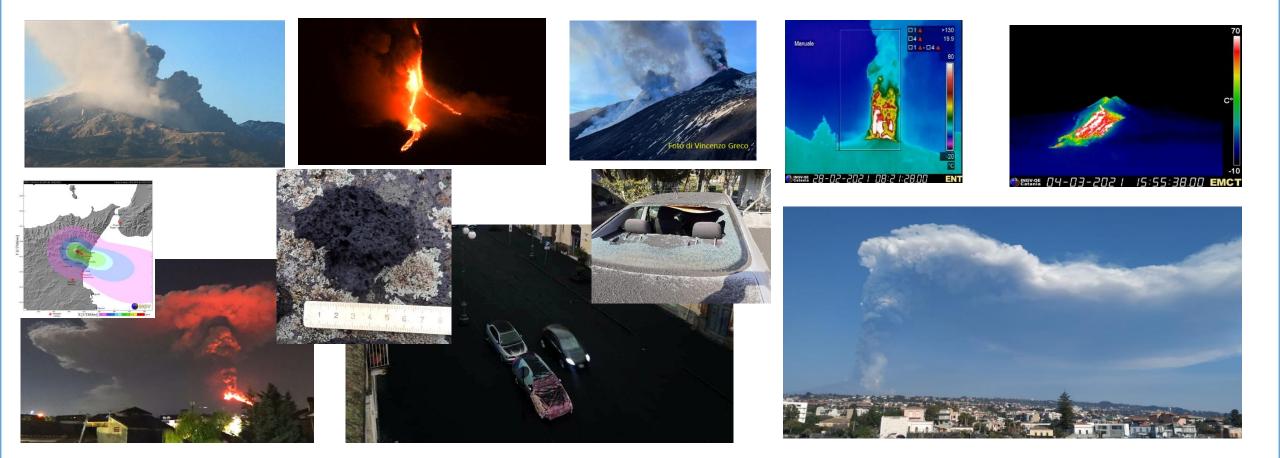
Monitoring the Etna 2021 eruption using EO optical data

Since 16 February, 2021 Etna experienced 11 paroxysmal episodes at the South East Crater (SEC) with lava fountains over 1000 m high, small pyroclastic flows, fast lava flows, sustained eruptive columns reaching more than 10 km elevation a.s.l.







Monitoring the Etna 2021 eruption using EO optical data



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MAST (Multimission Acquisition SysTem)

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Near Real Time processing of <u>MSG-SEVIRI</u> data with temporal resolution of 15 minutes (96 images per day)

Exploiting the TIR channels centered @

8.7, 11 and 12 μm

Monitoring during both day and night

Volcanic Cloud Detection (SO₂, Ash, Ice)

Volcanic Height Retrievals (Column and Cloud)

Volcanic SO₂ (Mass), Ash (Mass, AOD, Re),

Ice (Mass, AOD, Re) retrievals

Volcano Monitoring (DPC), Air flight Safety

(VAAC), Airport Security, Inputs for Volcanic Ash

Transport and Dispersal Models (VATDM),

Impact on environment and climate

All the 10 February-March Etna events have been detected and processed



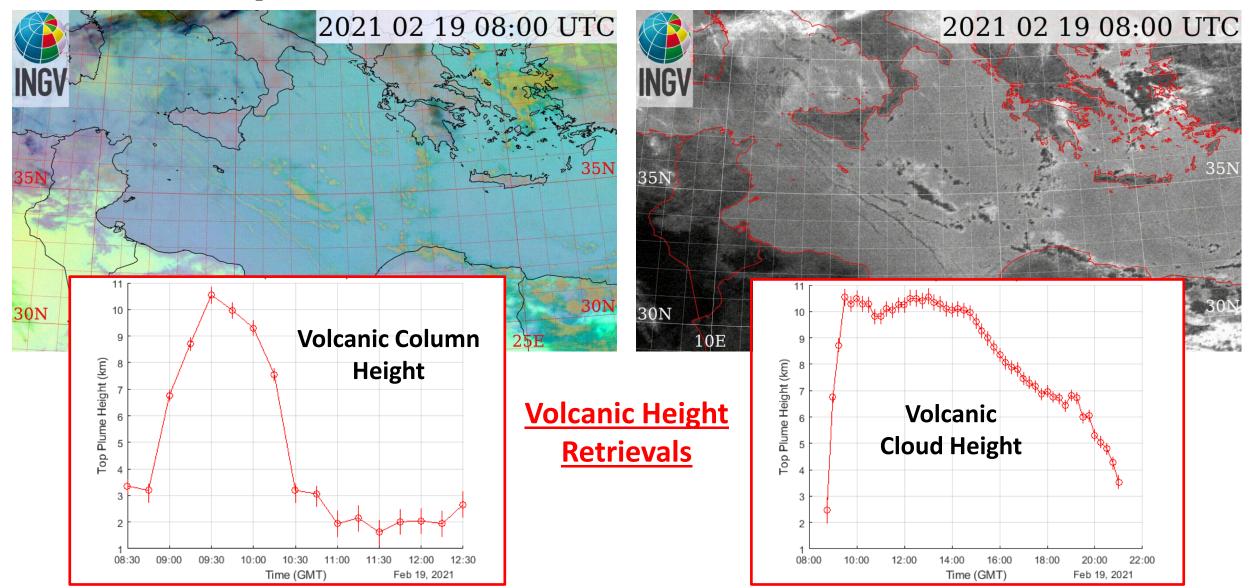


RGB combination (channels: 8.7, 11 e 12 μm) Red Cloud: high Ash content Green Cloud: high SO₂ content

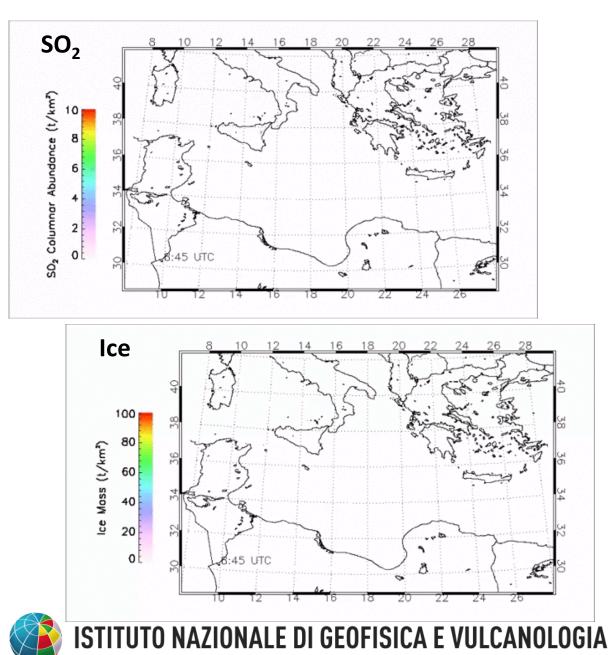
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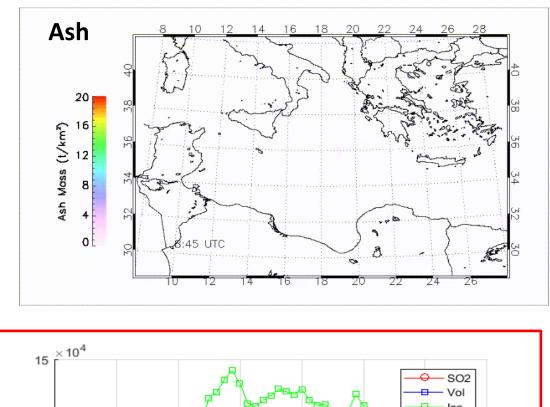
Volcanic Cloud Detection

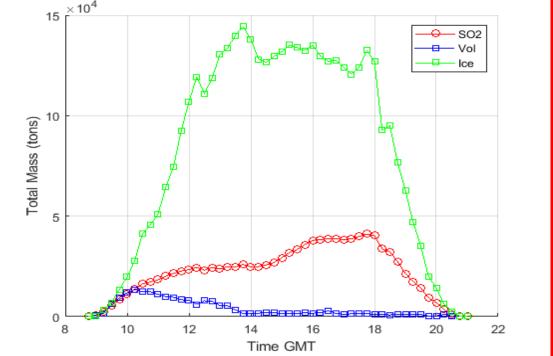
BTD (Tb (11 μm) – Tb (12 μm)) BTD < 0: Ash Cloud BTD > 0: Ice cloud

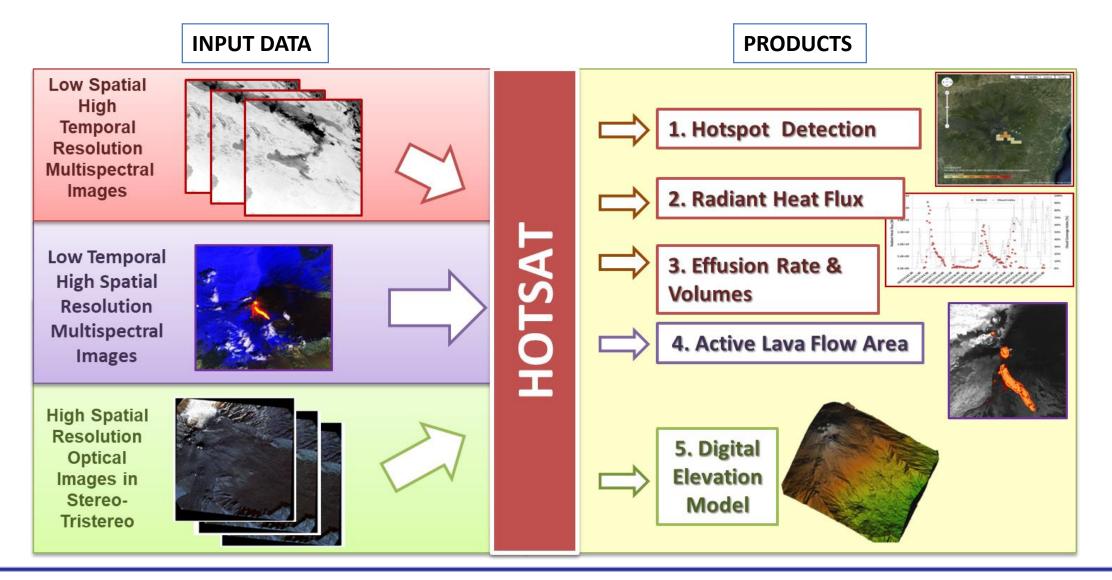


Volcanic Cloud Retrievals



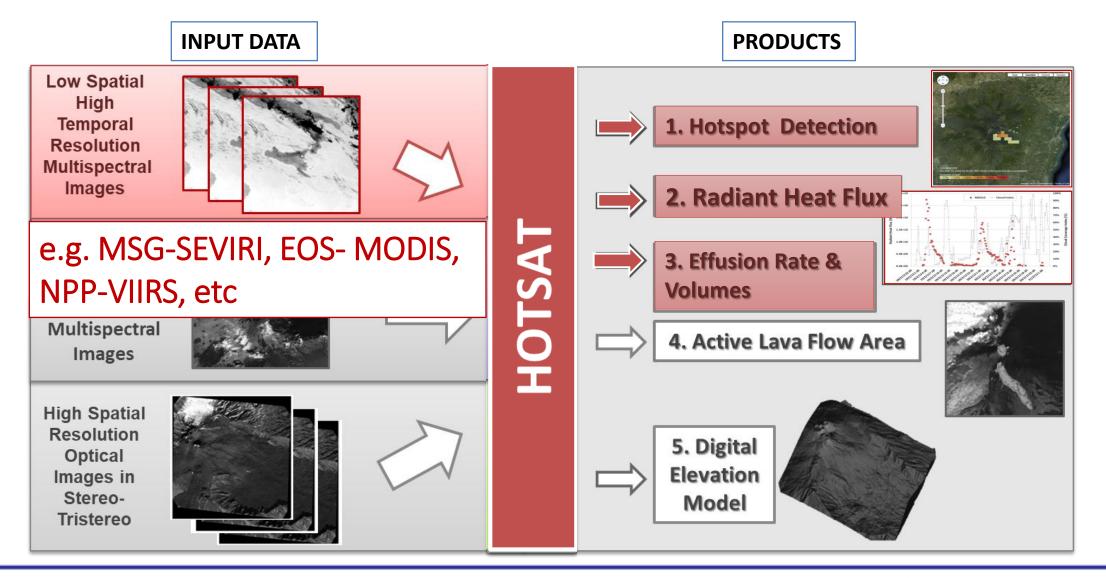






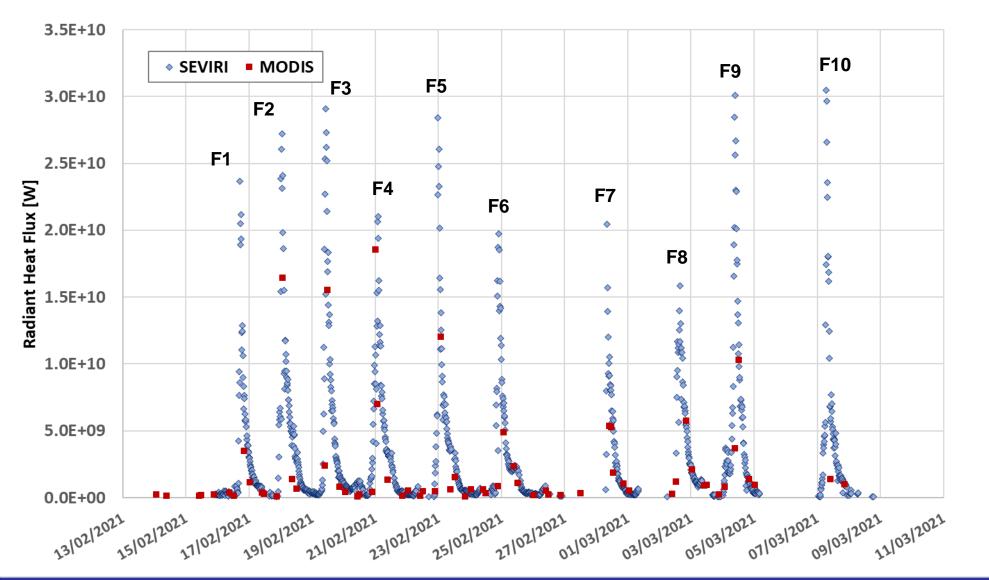








Mt Etna 2021: Radiant Heat Flux from SEVIRI & MODIS



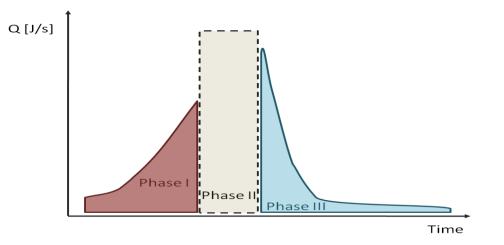
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Ten Paroxysmal Events

1.	16/02/21
2.	18/02/21
3.	19/02/21
4.	21/02/21
5.	22/02/21
6.	24/02/21
7.	28/02/21
8.	02/03/21
9.	04/03/21
10.	07/03/21



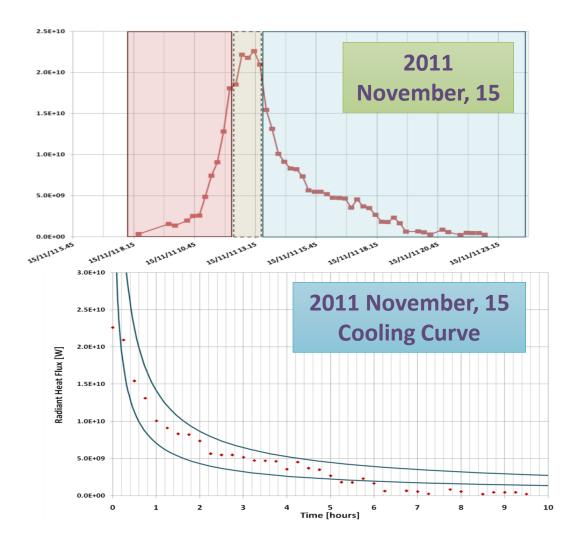
Volumes from cooling curves



PHASE I: Continuous (slow or sharp) increasing in the radiative power.

PHASE II: Discontinuous behavior often due to ash emission and saturation.

PHASE III: Continuous decreasing in the radiative power due to the cooling.

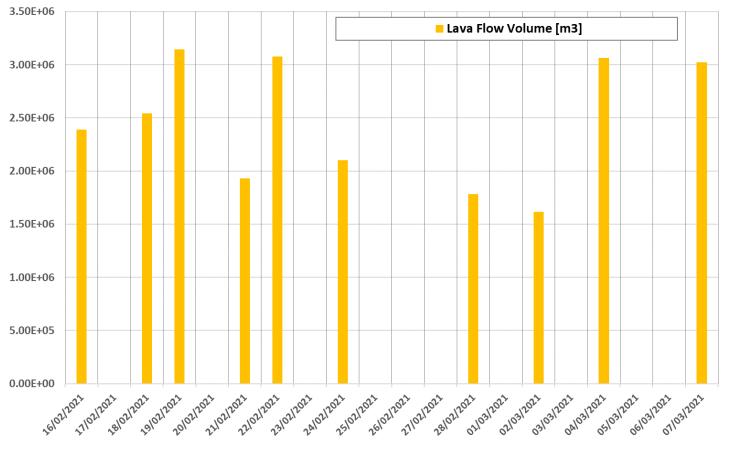


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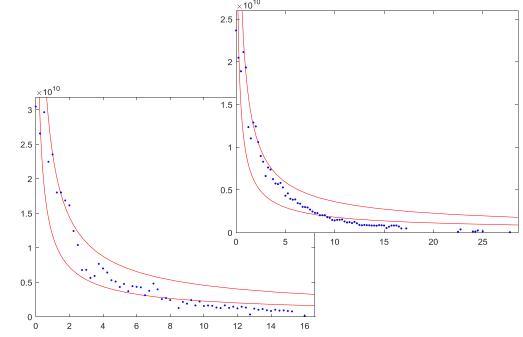
Etna 2021: Volumes from cooling curves



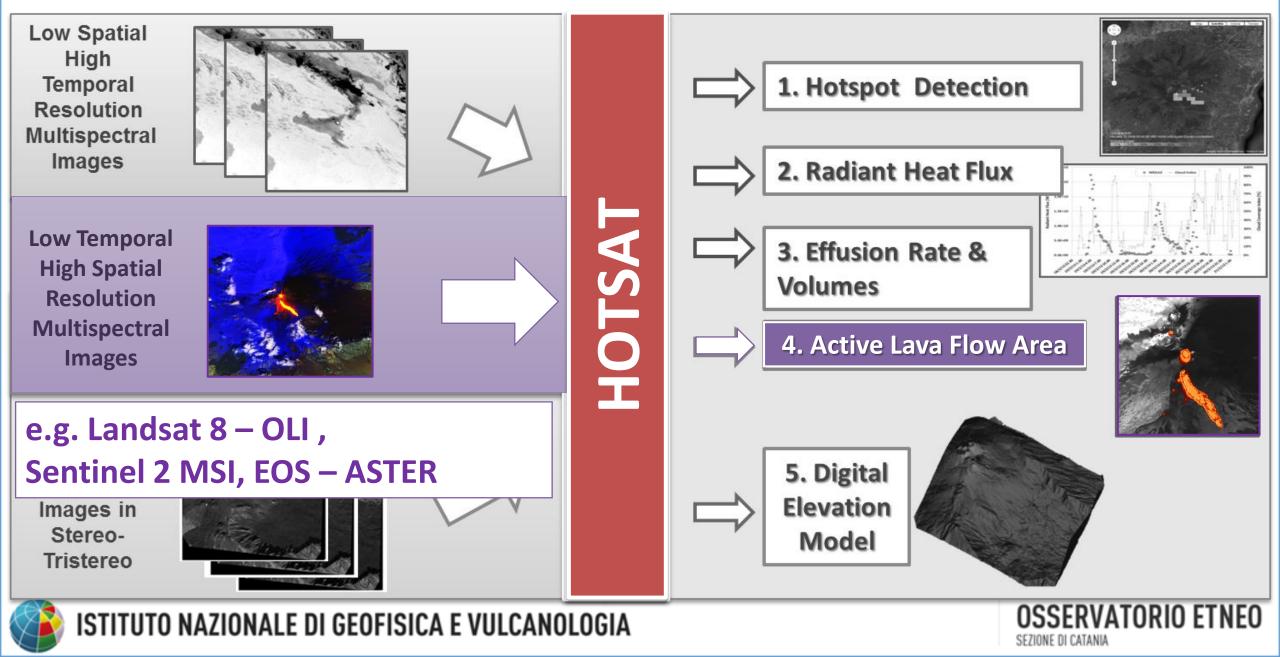
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Lava flow volume per event ranges between 1.5 and 3 million of cubic meters.

A cumulative value of 25 million of cubic meters has been estimated for the ten eruptive events.

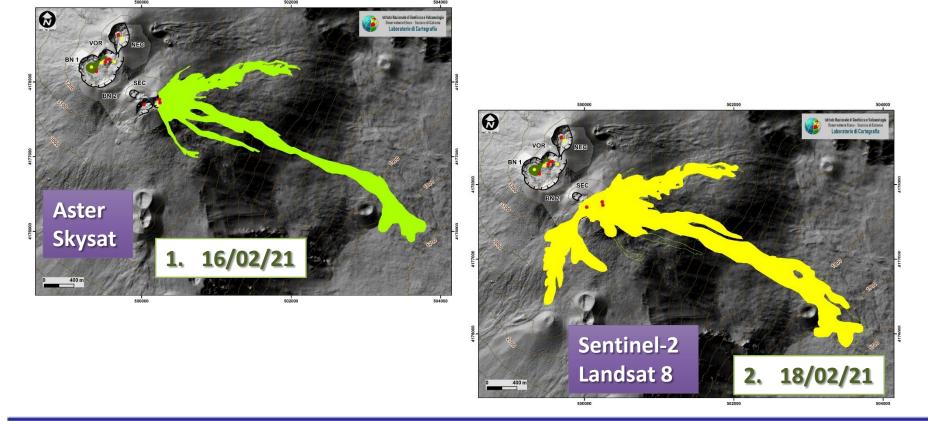


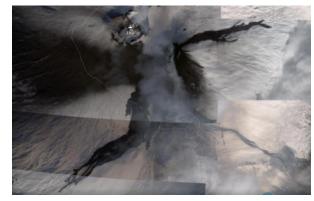
OSSERVATORIO ETNEO SEZIONE DI CATANIA



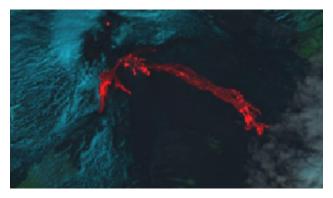
Etna 2021: Lava Flow Field from satellite imagery

Mapping of lava flow field is performed by using: Landsat 8, Sentinel 2, Aster, Planetscope, Skysat imagery, together with ground-based fixed thermal camera data



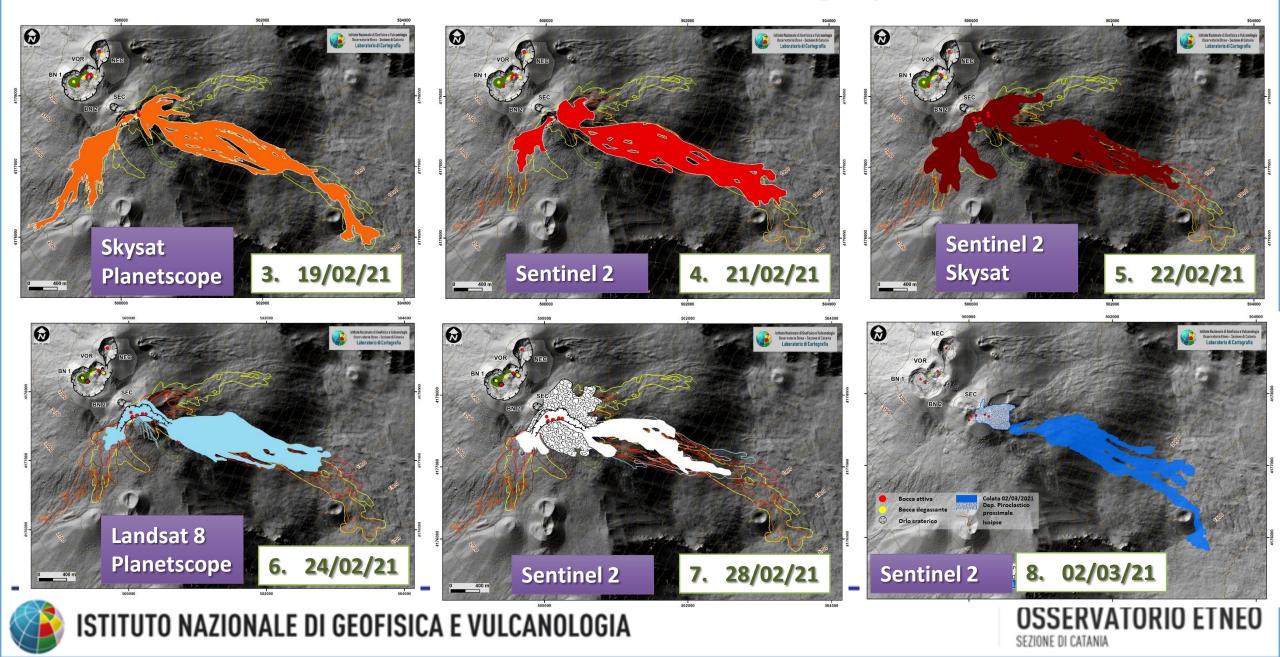




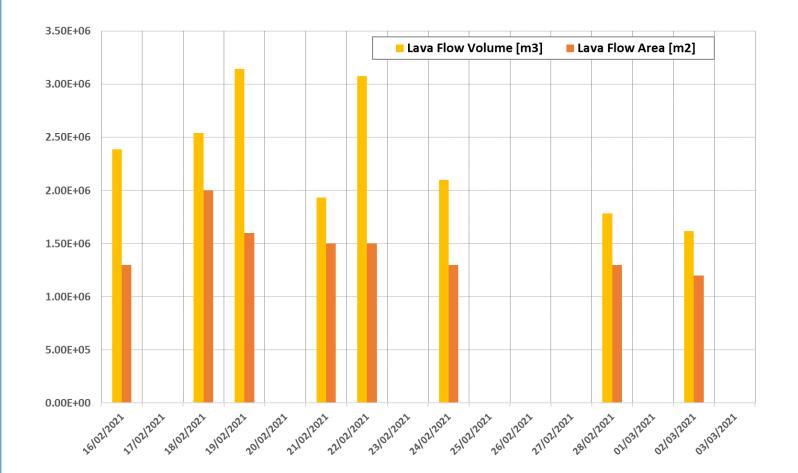




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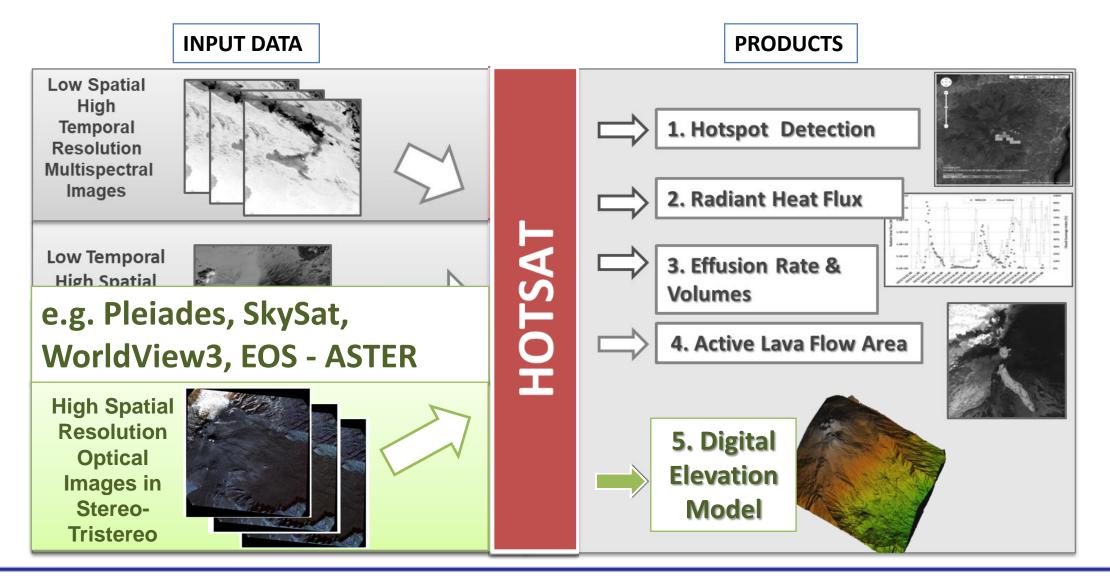
Etna 2021: Lava Flow Area and Average Thickness



Data	Area [x 10 ⁶ m ²]	Min Elevation [m]	Length [km]	Thickness [m]
02/03/2021	1.2	1750	3.4	1.3
28/02/2021	1.3	2050	2.5	1.4
24/02/2021	1.3	1970	2.8	1.6
22/02/2021	1.5	1950	2.9	2.1
21/02/2021	1.5	1870	3.2	1.3
19/02/2021	1.6	1740	3.8	2.0
17/02/2021	2.0	1730	4.1	1.3
16/02/2021	1.3	1720	4.0	1.8





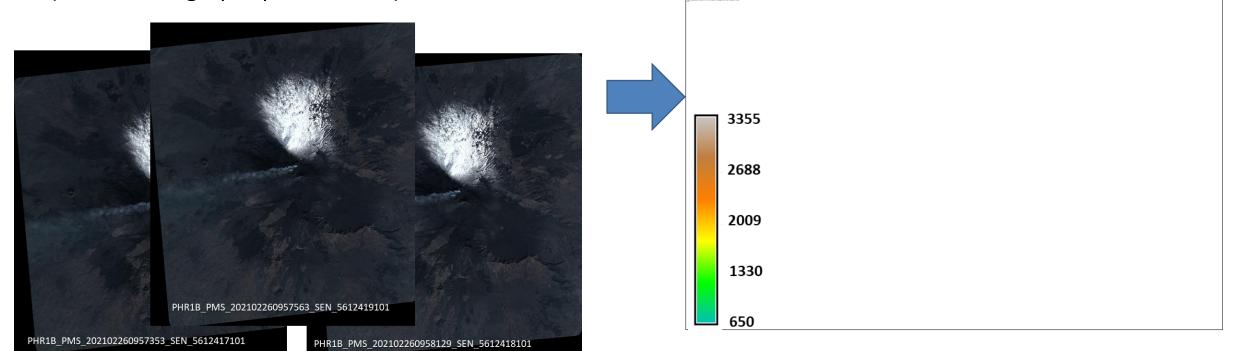






Pléiades Imagery at Mt Etna 2021

A cloud-free Pléiades triplet was acquired over Mt Etna on February 26, 2021. The 3D processing of the tristereo Pléiades imagery is performed using the free and open source MicMac (Multi-images Correspondances, Méthodes Automatiques de Corrélation) photogrammetric library developed by the French IGN (Institut Géographique National).



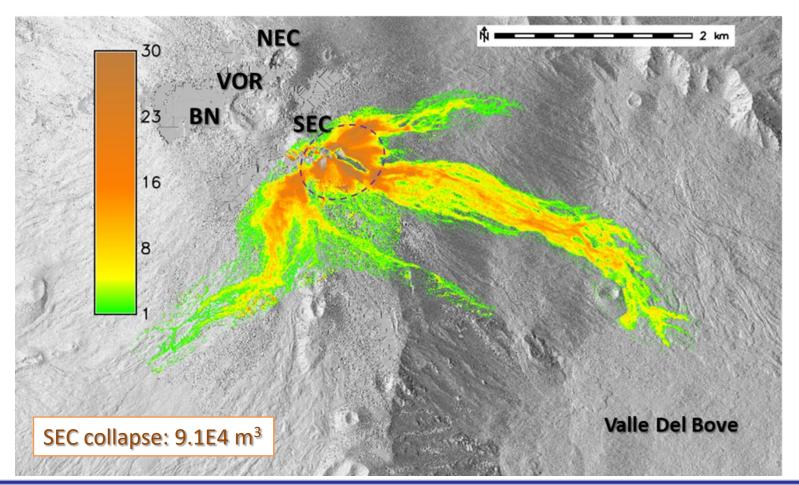
A 1-meter spatial resolution digital elevation model was produced





Pléiades Imagery at Mt Etna: February 2021 vs August 2020

By subtracting the August 2020 DEM to the 2021 DEM the volume of erupted materials can be quantified [Ganci et. al 2018]. The two DEMs were aligned by using Nuth and Kääb [2011] co-registration algorithm.



12 Paroxysmal events:

Preliminary

- 1. 13 Dec 2020
- 2. 14 Dec 2020
- 3. 21 Dec 2020
- 4. 22 Dec 2020
- 5. 18 Jan 2021
- 6. 20 Jan 2021
- 7. 16 Feb 2021
- 8. 18 Feb 2021
- 9. 19 Feb 2021
- 10. 21 Feb 2021
- 11. 22 Feb 2021
- 12. 24 Feb 2021

Total Volume: 24.5E6 m³ Total Area 3.7E6 m³

Lava Flow:18.1E6 m³ SEC growth: 6.4E6 m³



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Satellites and sensors for Etna Volcano Monitoring

Satellite Sensor	Spatial Resolution	Revisit Time	Derived Product
MSG-SEVIRI	3 km	15 minutes	Radiant Heat Flux, TADR, Plume Height,
			Ash/SO ₂ retrievals
	1 km	12 h	Radiant Heat Flux, TADR, Plume Height,
EOS-MODIS			Ash/SO ₂ retrievals
Sentinel 3-SLSTR	1 km	12 h	Radiant Heat Flux, TADR, Plume Height,
	1 KIII		Ash retrievals
NPP/JPSS-VIIRS	375 - 750 m	12 h	Radiant Heat Flux, TADR, Plume Height,
			Ash/SO ₂ retrievals
Landsat 8- OLI	15 - 30 m	7-14 days	Lava flow thermal map
Sentinel 2- MSI	10 - 60 m	2-3 days	Lava flow thermal map
EOS-ASTER	15 - 90 m	On demand	DEM, Lava flow area/thickness, Plume Height, SO ₂ retrievals
Pleiades-1A, -1B	0.5 - 2 m	On demand	DEM, Lava flow area/thickness
Doves-PlanetScope	3.7 m	~1 day	DEM, Lava flow area/thickness
SkySat	0.7 - 1 m	On demand	DEM, Lava flow area/thickness

