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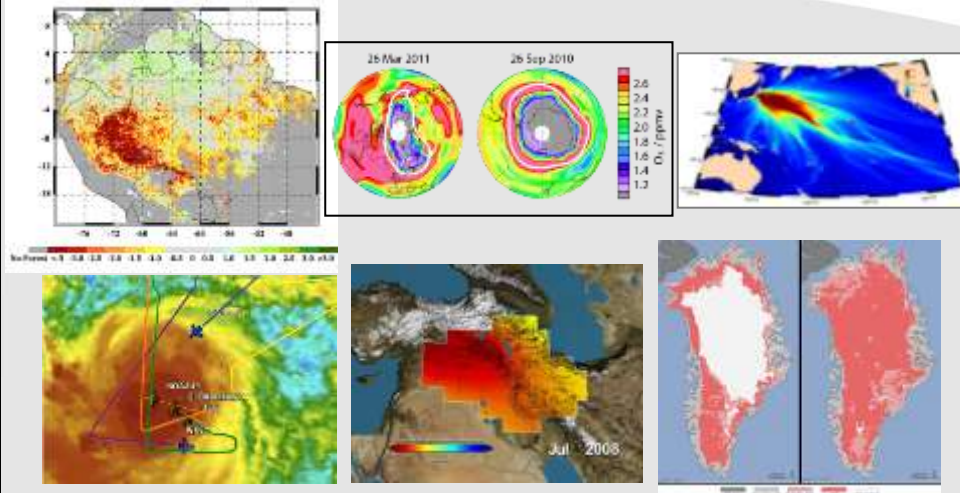
NASA Earth Science Division Overview CESAS Meeting

March 28, 2017

NASA's Earth Science Division



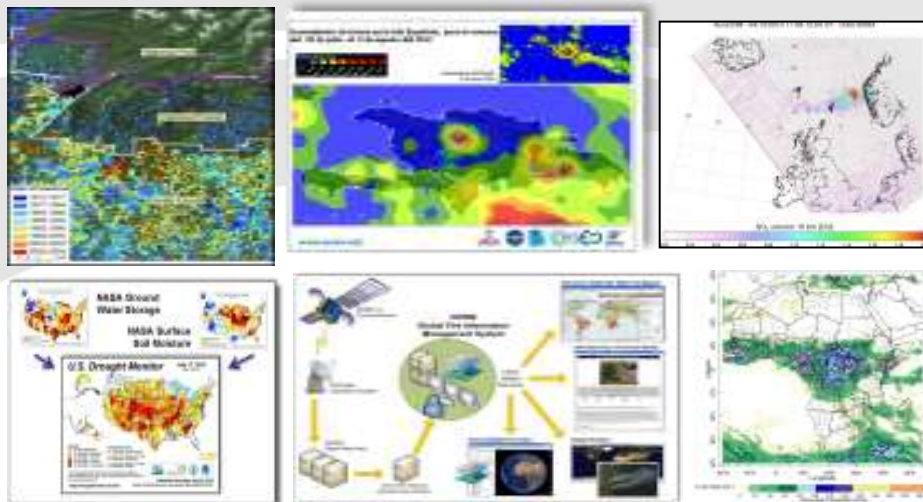
Research



Flight



Applied Sciences



Technology



NASA/ESD Funding/Appropriation Timeline



- FY17 (1 Oct 2016 – 30 Sept 2017) funding at FY16 level through 28 April 2017
- President's FY18 budget proposal **blueprint/overview** released **16 March 2017**
 - Proposes **FY18 ESD funding at \$1.8B**
 - Proposes **termination** of analysis activities for **DSCOVR** EO instruments **EPIC, NISTAR**
 - Proposes **termination** of development activities for **OCO-3, PACE, CLARREO-PF**
 - Proposes **reduction** of ESD **research** activities for FY18
- President's **detailed** FY18 budget proposal to Congress expected **early-mid May, 2017**
 - Expected to be consistent with top-line ESD level and direction in the March blueprint
- **CONGRESS** must pass an appropriation for FY18, and it must be signed by the **President**, by **1 Oct 2018** (or short-term *continuing resolutions* must be passed and signed)
 - Actual passed/signed appropriation is informed by – but possibly modified from – the President's detailed budget proposal
- **Decadal Survey report expected by 31 December 2017**

FY17 Program of Record

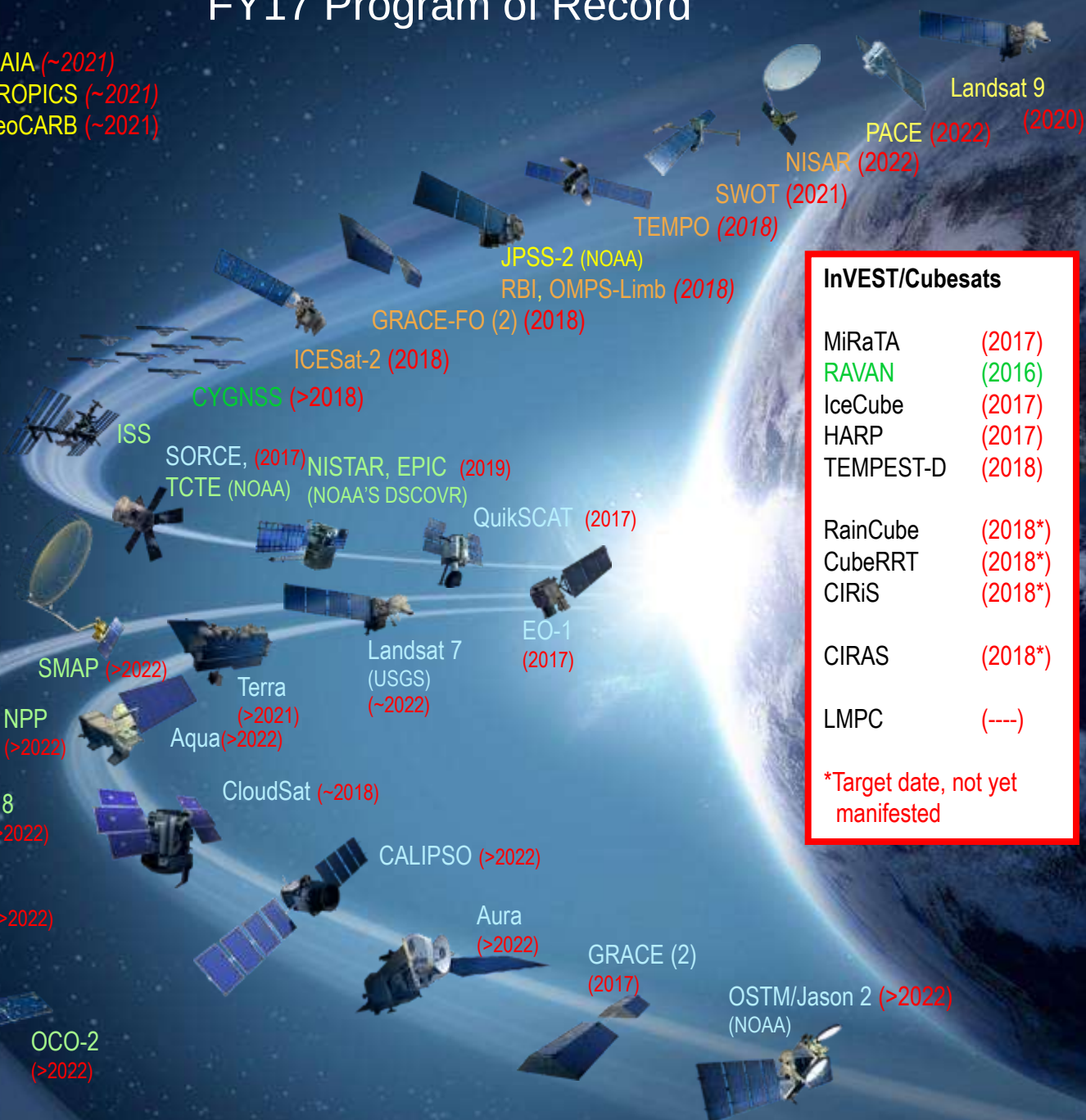
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- Primary Ops
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TROPICS (~2021)
geoCARB (~2021)

Sentinel-6A/B (2020, 2025)

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InVEST/Cubesats

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FY18 President's Budget Request 3/2017

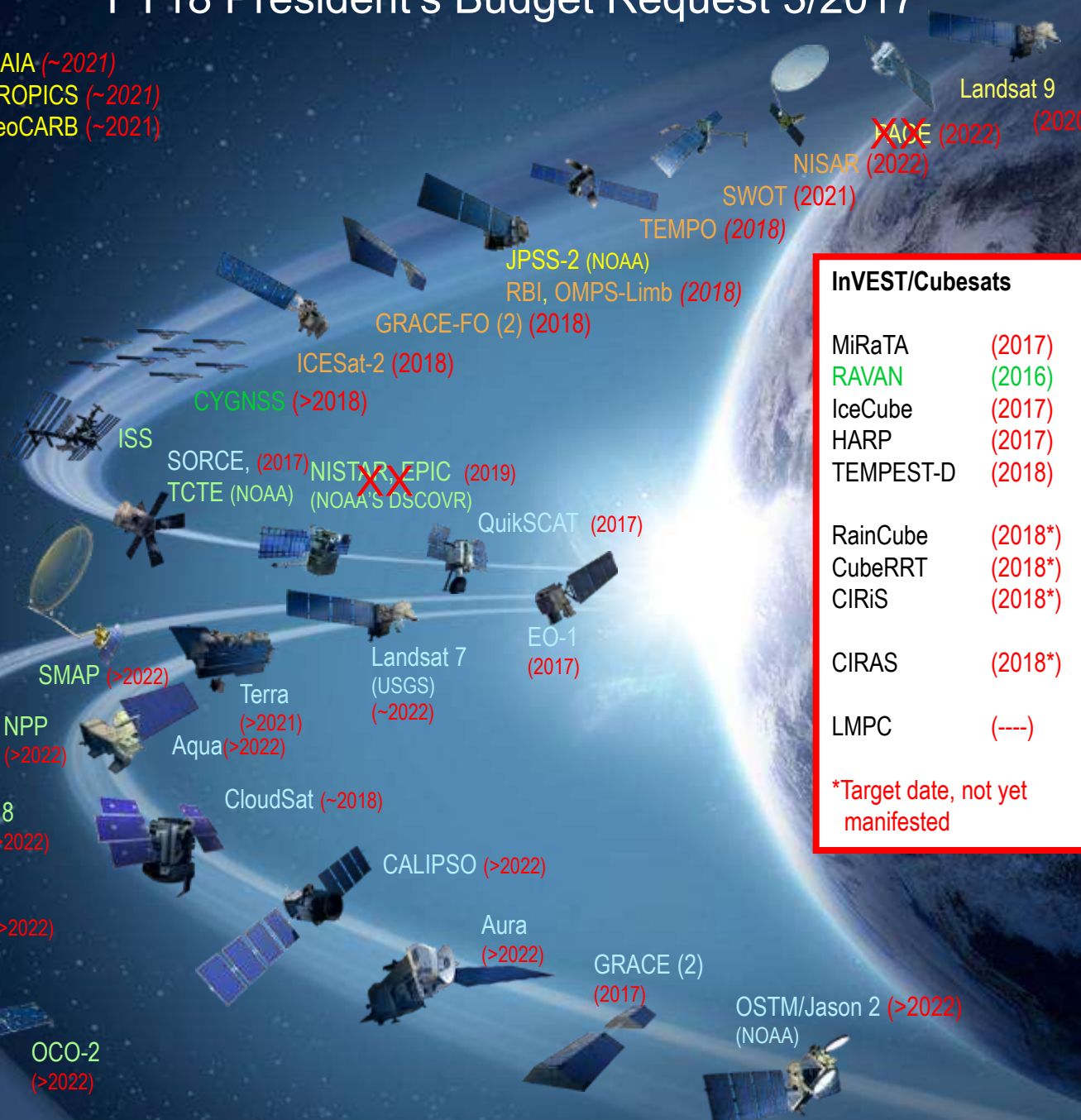
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Mission Status

- ATLAS instrument delivered to Orbital-ATK on 5 Nov 2016.
- Integration with the spacecraft is complete and observatory testing is underway (EMI recently completed, dynamics testing starting).
- ATLAS will be removed and shipped back to GSFC for laser replacement in mid-July, with instrument-level testing continuing until Feb 2018.
- ATLAS will then be returned to Orbital-ATK, for a second round of limited observatory testing.
- Currently working toward a Sep 2018 launch readiness date.
- Ongoing discussion of possible CryoSat-2 orbit alignment with the post-launch ICESat-2 reference ground track to optimize coincident retrievals for estimation of sea ice thickness.
- Wednesday talk by Javier Sanchez: *Possible Extensions for the ESA Ice Mission CryoSat-2: Exploiting the CryoSat-2/ ICESat-2 Synergies.*

Earth Venture Overview



EVS
Sustained Sub-Orbital Investigations
(~4 years)

EVM Complete,
self-contained,
small missions
(~4 years)

EVI
Full function, facility-
class instruments
Missions of Opportunity
(MoO)
(~18 months)

Mission	Mission Type	Release Date	Selection Date	Major Milestone
EV-1, aka EVS-1	5 Suborbital Airborne Campaigns	2009	2010	N/A
EVM-1, CYGNSS	Smallsat constellation	2011	2012	Launched December 2016
EVI-1, TEMPO	Geosynchronous hosted payload	2011	2012	Delivery NLT 2017
EVI-2, ECOSTRESS & GEDI	Class C & Class D ISS-hosted Instruments	2013	2014	Delivery NLT 2019
EVS-2	6 Suborbital Airborne Campaigns	2013	2014	N/A
EVI-3, MAIA & TROPICS	Class C LEO Instrument & Class D Cubesat Constellation	2015	2016	Delivery NLT 2021
EVM-2, geoCARB	Geostationary hosted payload	2015	2016	Launch ~2021
EVI-4	Instrument Only	2016	2017	Delivery NLT 2021
EVS-3	Suborbital Airborne Campaigns	2017	2018	N/A
EVI-5	Instrument Only	2018	2019	Delivery NLT 2023
EVM-3	Full Orbital	2019	2020	Launch ~2025
EVI-6	Instrument Only	2019	2020	Delivery NLT 2024

Open solicitation - In Review

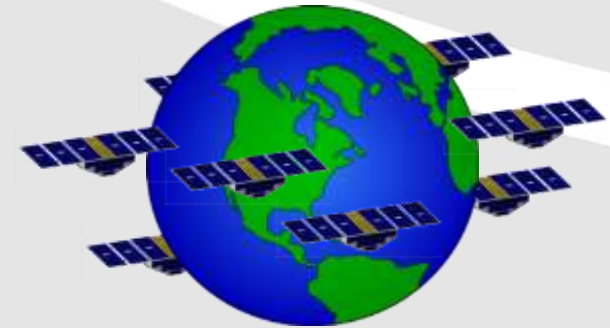
Completed solicitation

CYGNSS: EVM-1 Homogeneous CONSTELLATION



Cyclone Global Navigation Satellite System (CYGNSS)

- Selected under Earth Venture Mission-1 AO
- 8-satellite Microsat Constellation measuring winds and air-sea interactions in tropical storms, using reflected GPS



- **Launched successfully 15 Dec 2016**
- **All satellites working well – PLAR successful 23 March**
- PI-led (C. Ruf, U. Michigan, plus SWRI)

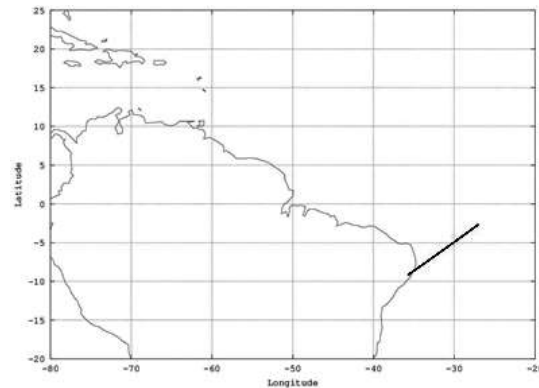


First Light DDM

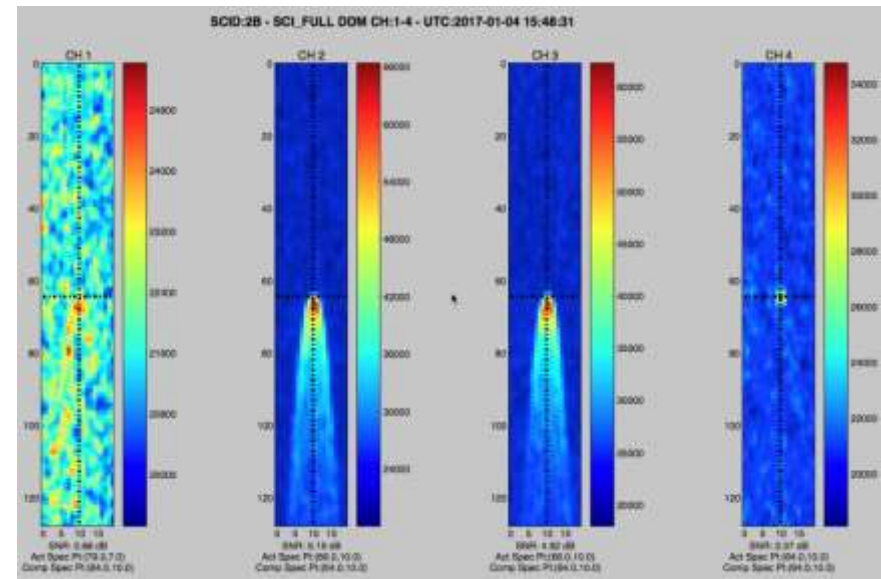
Generated in Real Time by on-board processor

❖ Delay Doppler Map measured by FM03 on 4 January 2017 at 15:48:31 UTC in the South Atlantic Ocean east of Brazil

- Channel 1: ocean DDM with low antenna gain
- Channels 2-3: Good ocean DDMs
- Channel 4: land DDM over Brazil



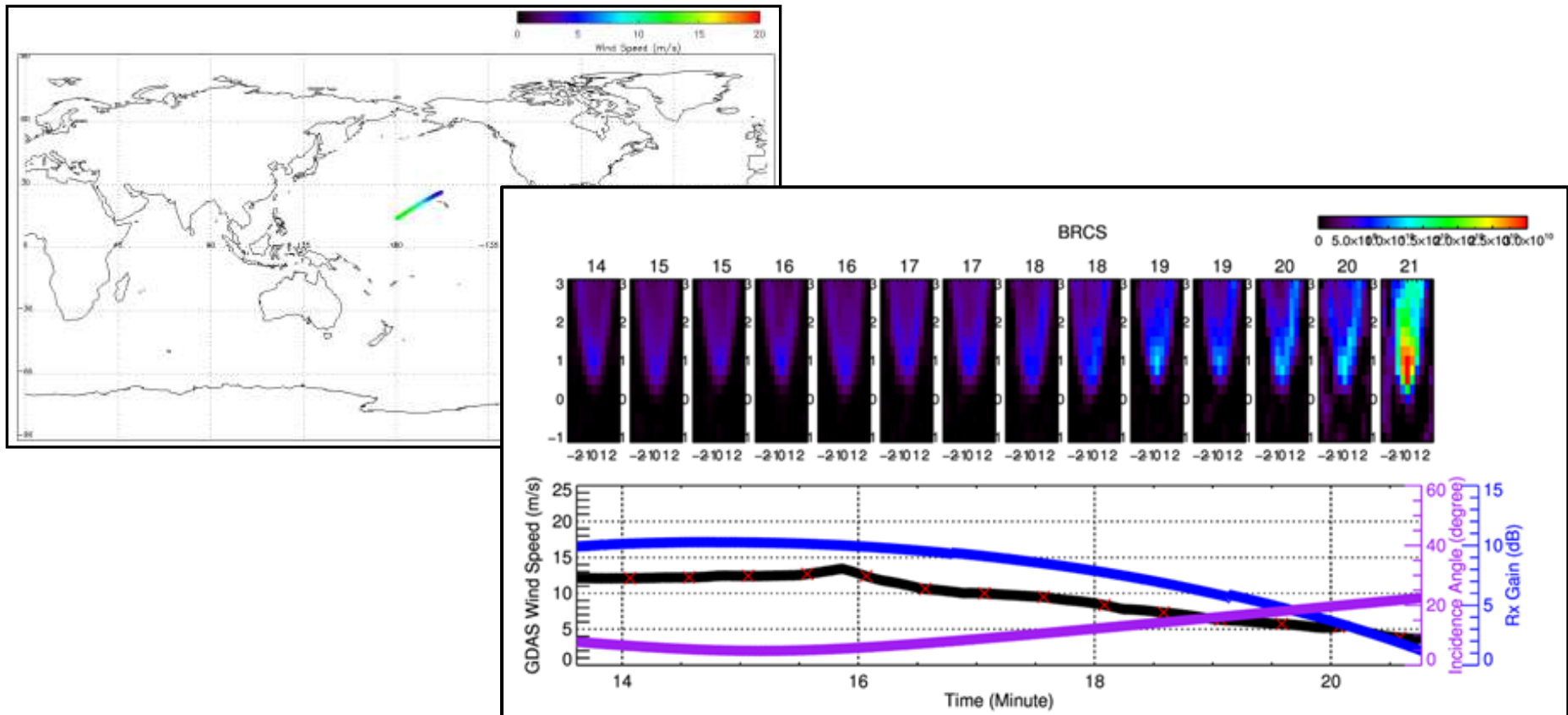
Specular point transect





First DDM Matchups with Ground-truth Surface Winds

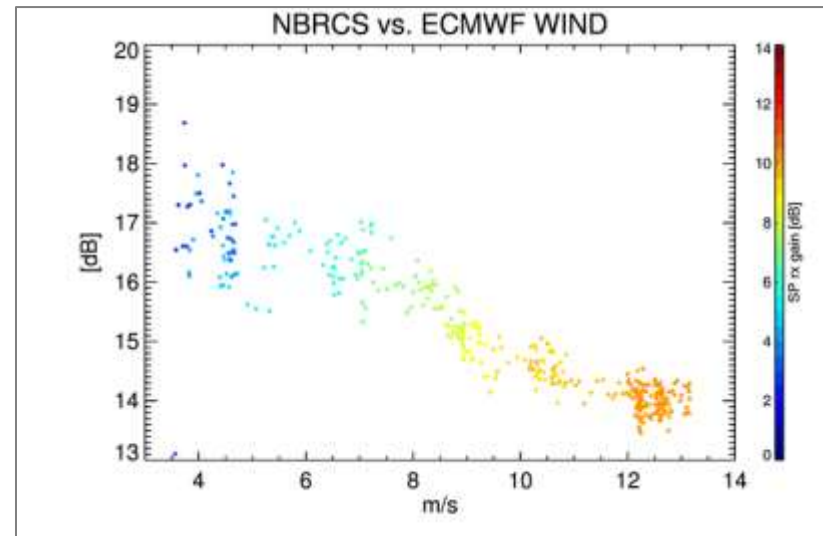
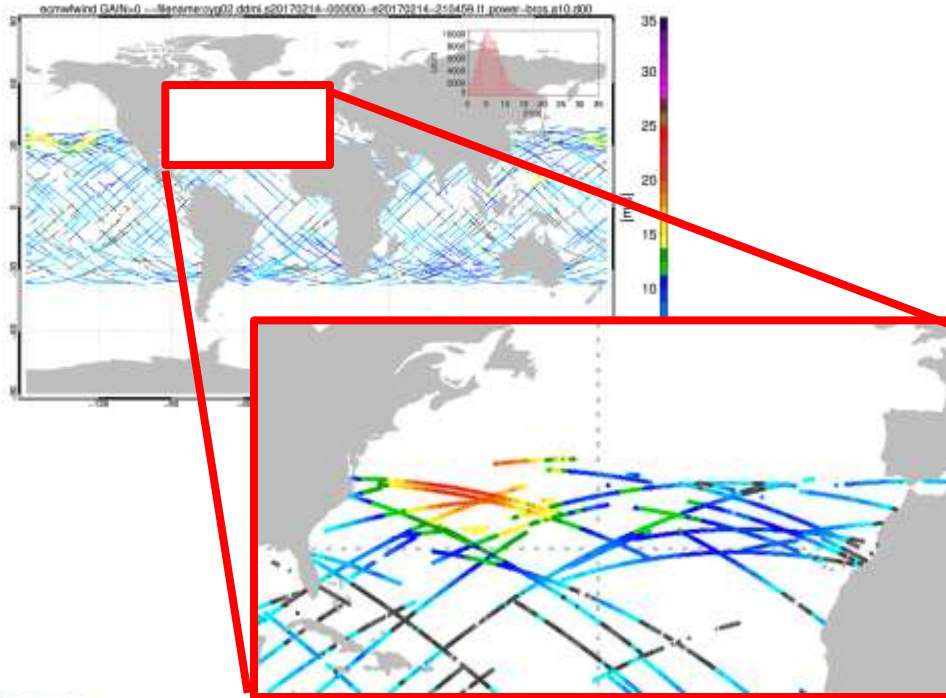
❖ FM06 on 21 Jan 2017; ECMWF wind speeds



Early Cal/Val Data



- ❖ Cal/val matchups over Atlantic extra-tropical storm
- ❖ Preliminary GMF looks very promising



14 Feb 2017, FM02/ECMWF
 u_{10}



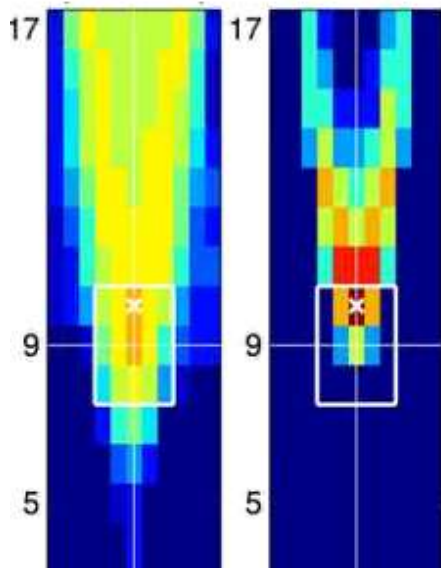
14 Feb 2017, ECMWF u_{10} @ FM02
track

CYGNSS PLAR

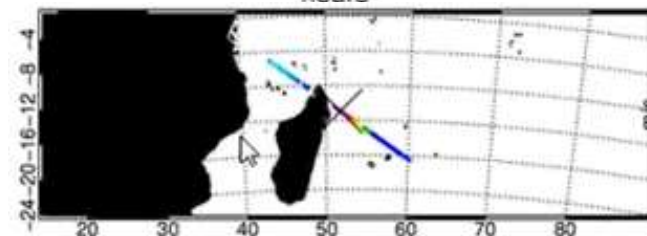
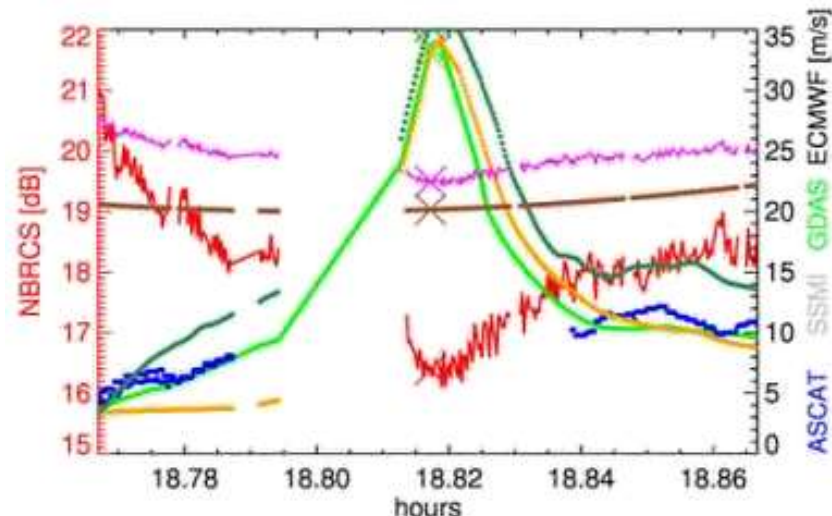
Direct Overpass of TC Enawo near Madagascar



- ❖ FM02 overpass of Tropical Cyclone Enawo on 6 March 2017 at 18:47 – 18:52 UTC
- ❖ Normalized bistatic radar scattering cross section (NBRCS, Level 1B science data product) along storm transect matched against GDAS ground truth winds
- ❖ JTWC reported $V_{\max} = 56$ m/s on 7 March at 06:00 UTC
- ❖ GDAS $V_{\max} = 34$ m/s probably too low by 25-50%



BRCS (left)
Scattering Area (right)

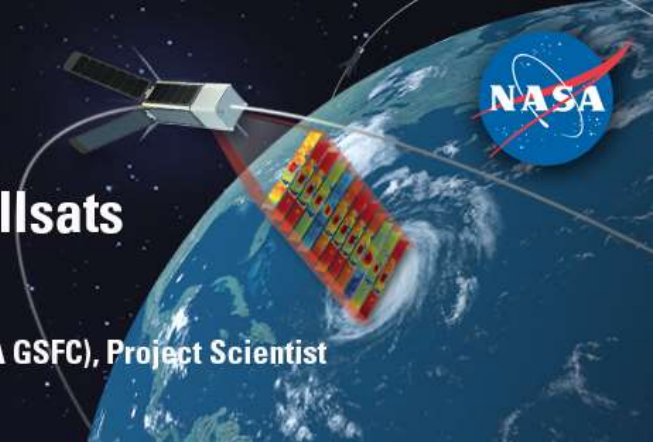




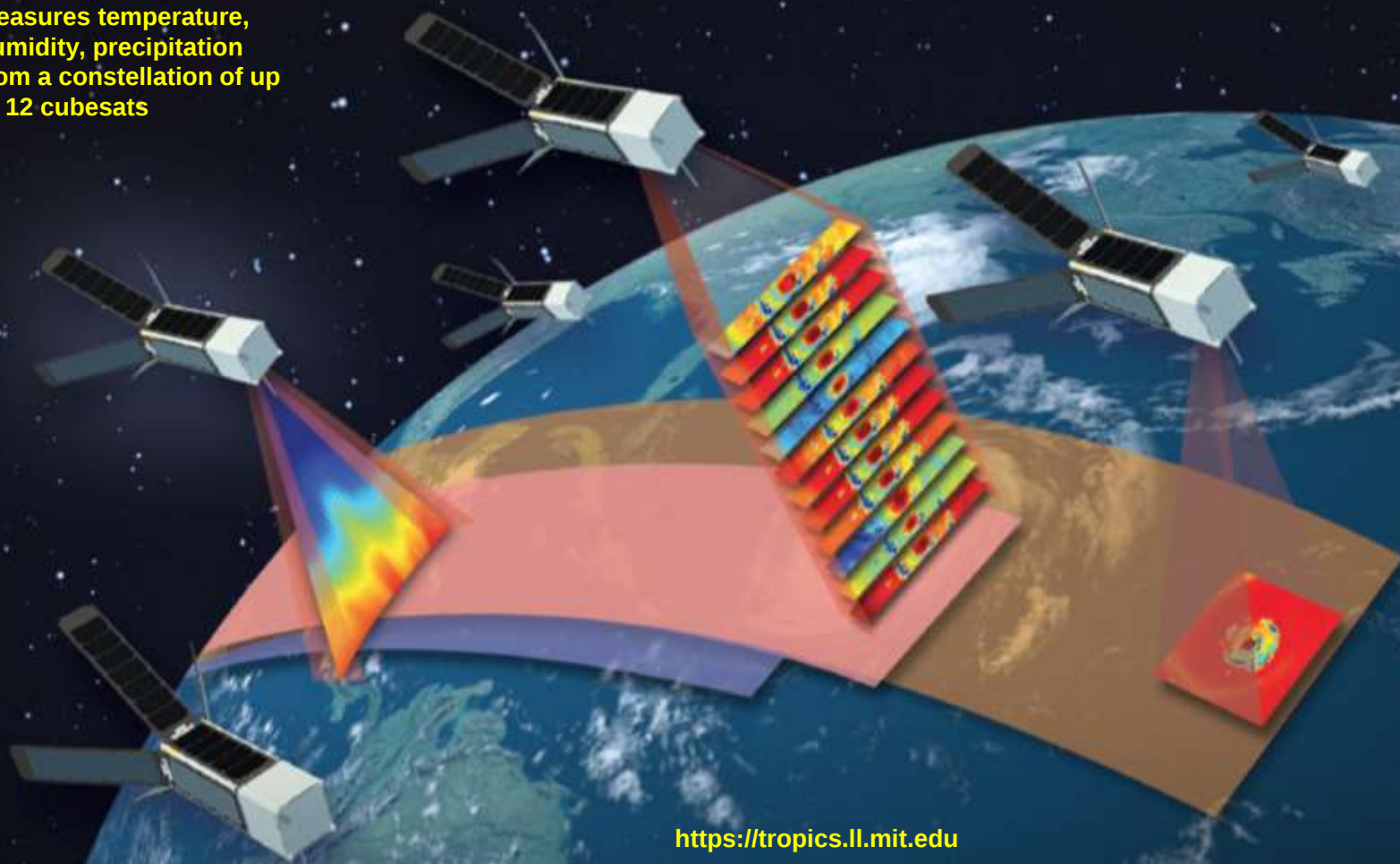
Time-Resolved Observations of Precipitation structure and storm Intensity with a Constellation of Smallsats

MIT Lincoln Laboratory (lead organization)

William J. Blackwell, Principal Investigator. Scott Braun (NASA GSFC), Project Scientist



Measures temperature, humidity, precipitation from a constellation of up to 12 cubesats

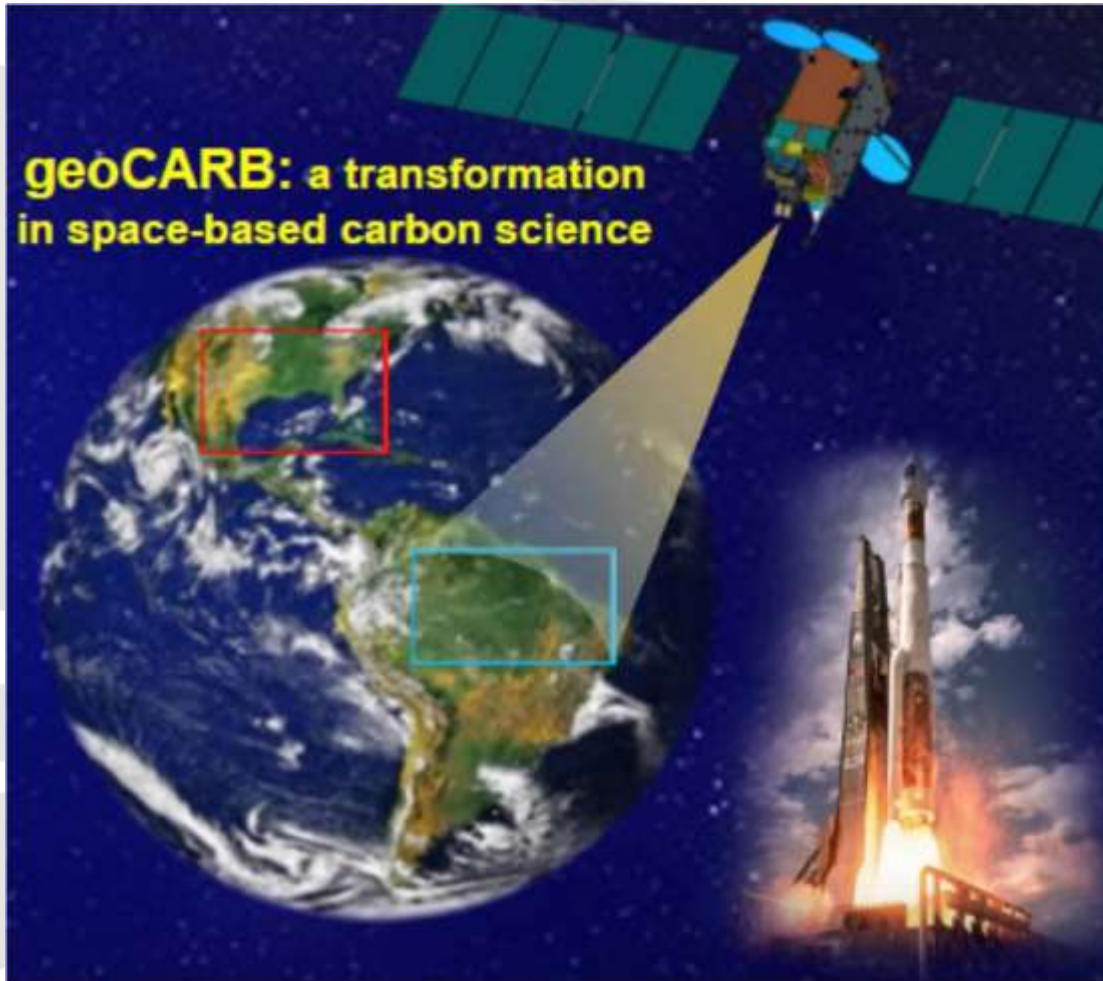


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TROPICS provides up to 30-minute refresh over entire tropical cyclone latitude band

<https://tropics.ll.mit.edu>

GeoCarb Selected by NASA for EVM-2



Berrien Moore, PI
University of Oklahoma

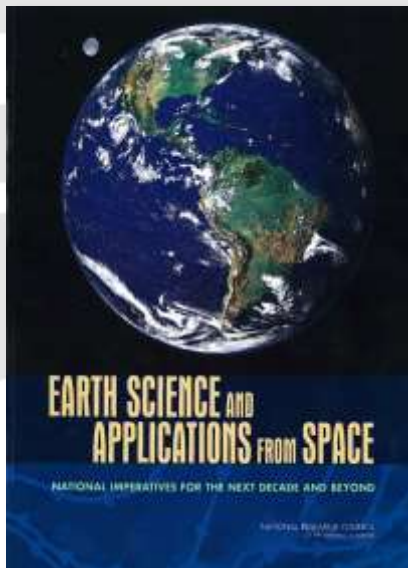
- First geostationary measurements of CO₂, CO, CH₄, and Solar Induced Fluorescence; 5-10 km resolution
- Hosted payload on an SES commercial communication satellite (PI-arranged hosting)
- Lockheed Martin Advanced Technology Center (Palo Alto); Colorado State University (Fort Collins); ARC; GSFC; JPL

2017 EARTH SCIENCE & APPLICATIONS DECADAL SURVEY



The Decadal Survey remains on track for completion in late December, 2017

- Addresses NASA, NOAA, and USGS
- Likely to recommend science priorities rather than named missions with specific capabilities
- Anticipate NASA road-mapping studies for several years to define the realistic resulting mission suite and partnerships



2007



2010



2012