

The importance of NOAA satellites at the National Meteorological Service, Argentina

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Data reception mechanisms currently used

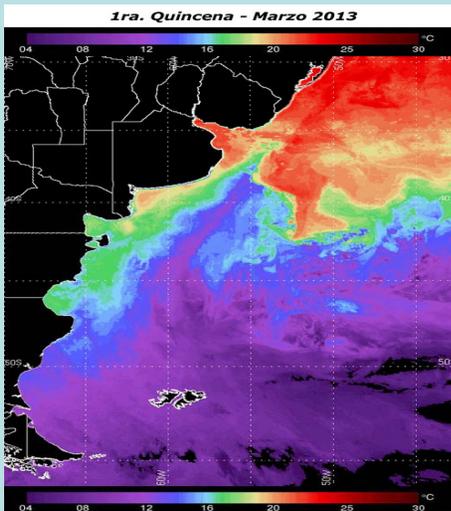
❖ Operational products

Equipment for GOES reception (installed 2010), receiving GOES 13

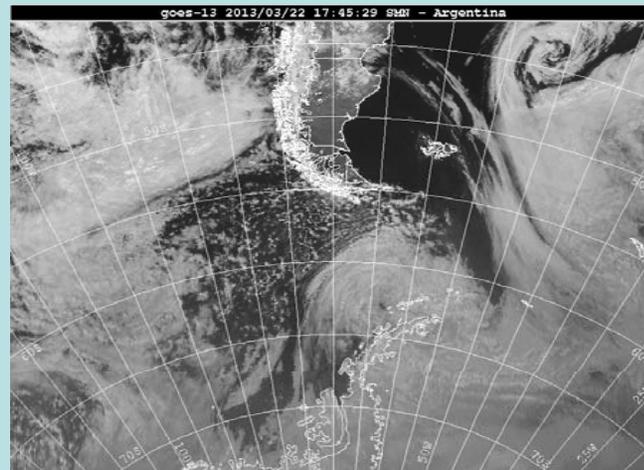
**GVAR system with TERASCAN software from SEASPACE, every 30 m
argentine sectorized and every 3 hours full disk.**

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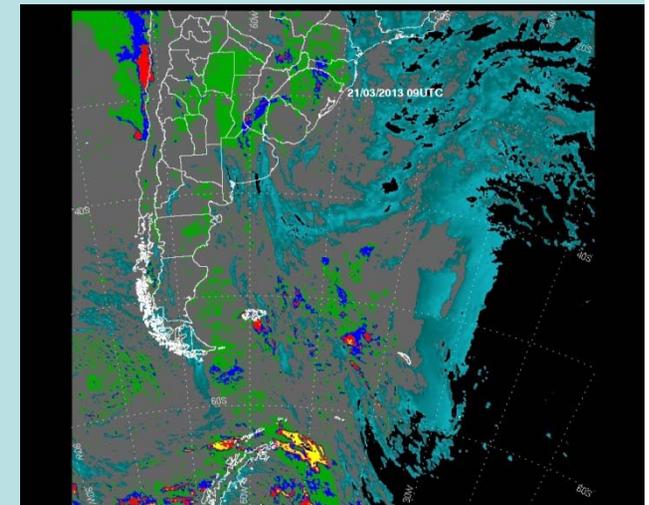
SST



Real time images



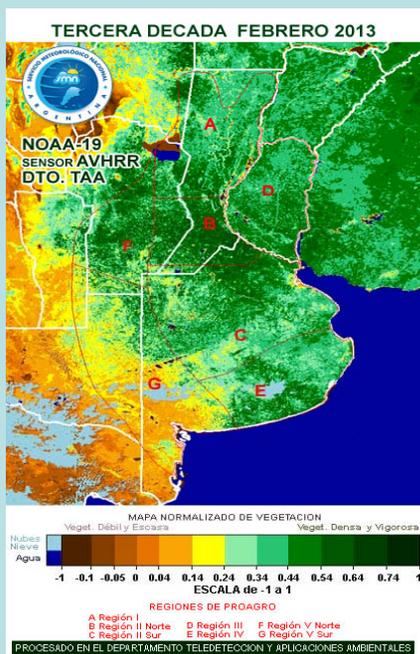
Stratus and fog



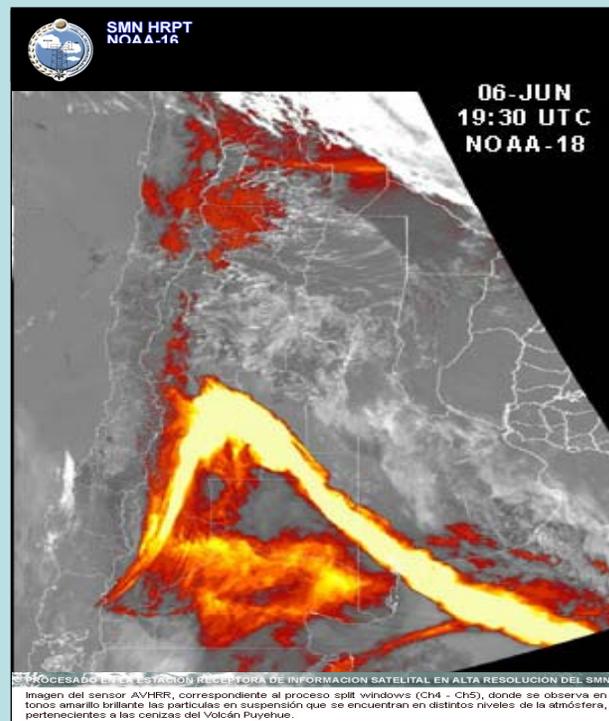
❖ Non operational remote sensing products from polar orbit satellites

The actual equipment since 1994 is an Quorum Communications HRPT Data Capture Engine, with a circular polarized antenna, TAC-2 and 3 receiving plates (PC-HRPT AVHRR Data Receiver, PC-HRPT AVHRR Bit/Frame Synchronizer, PC-ST1 SatTracker 1). The software is Qtrack V2.5. Receiving from NOAA-15, NOAA-16, NOAA-18 y NOAA-19. and CLASS NOAA (LAC) 1KM.

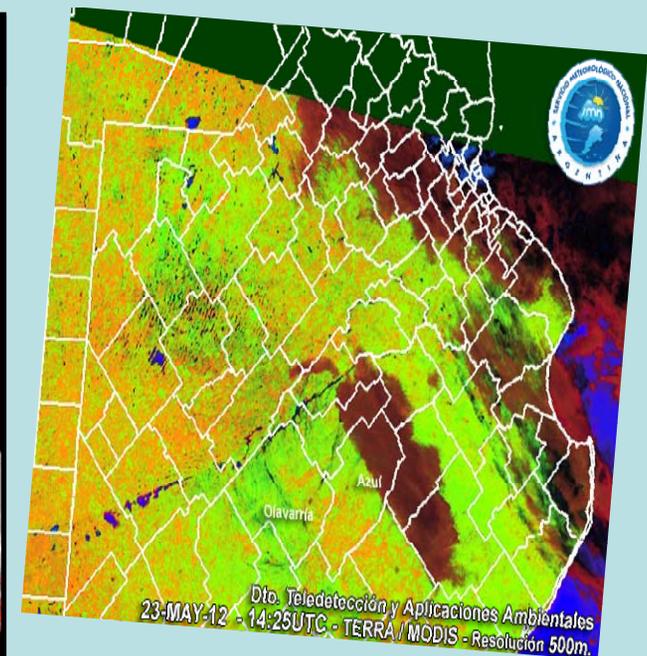
NDVI



Volcanic ash plume



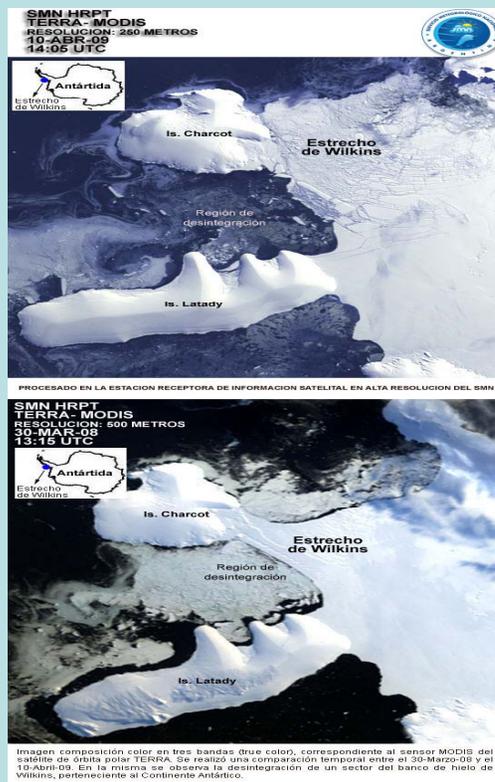
Floods monitoring



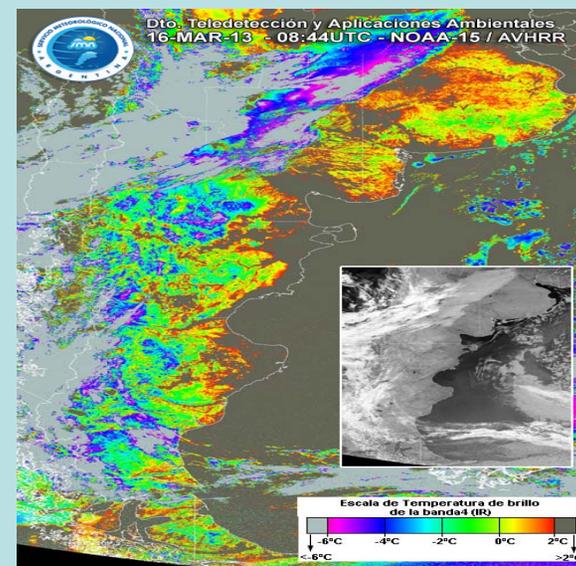
Fires monitoring



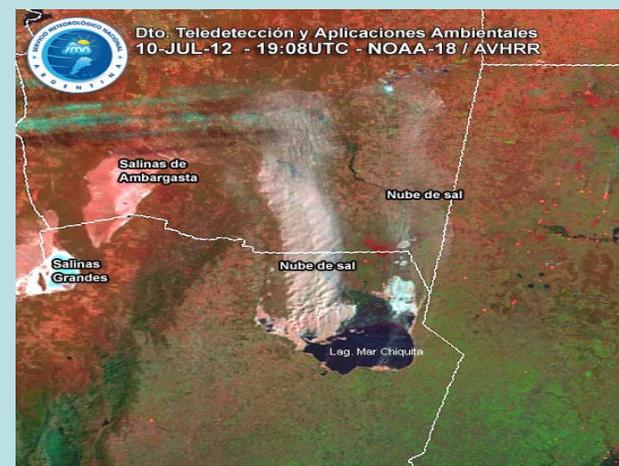
Floe monitoring



Soil temperature



RGB Images



A real case:
Puyehue-Cordon Caulle eruption

Onset of the eruption: **4 june 2011**
End of the eruption: **2 april 2012**

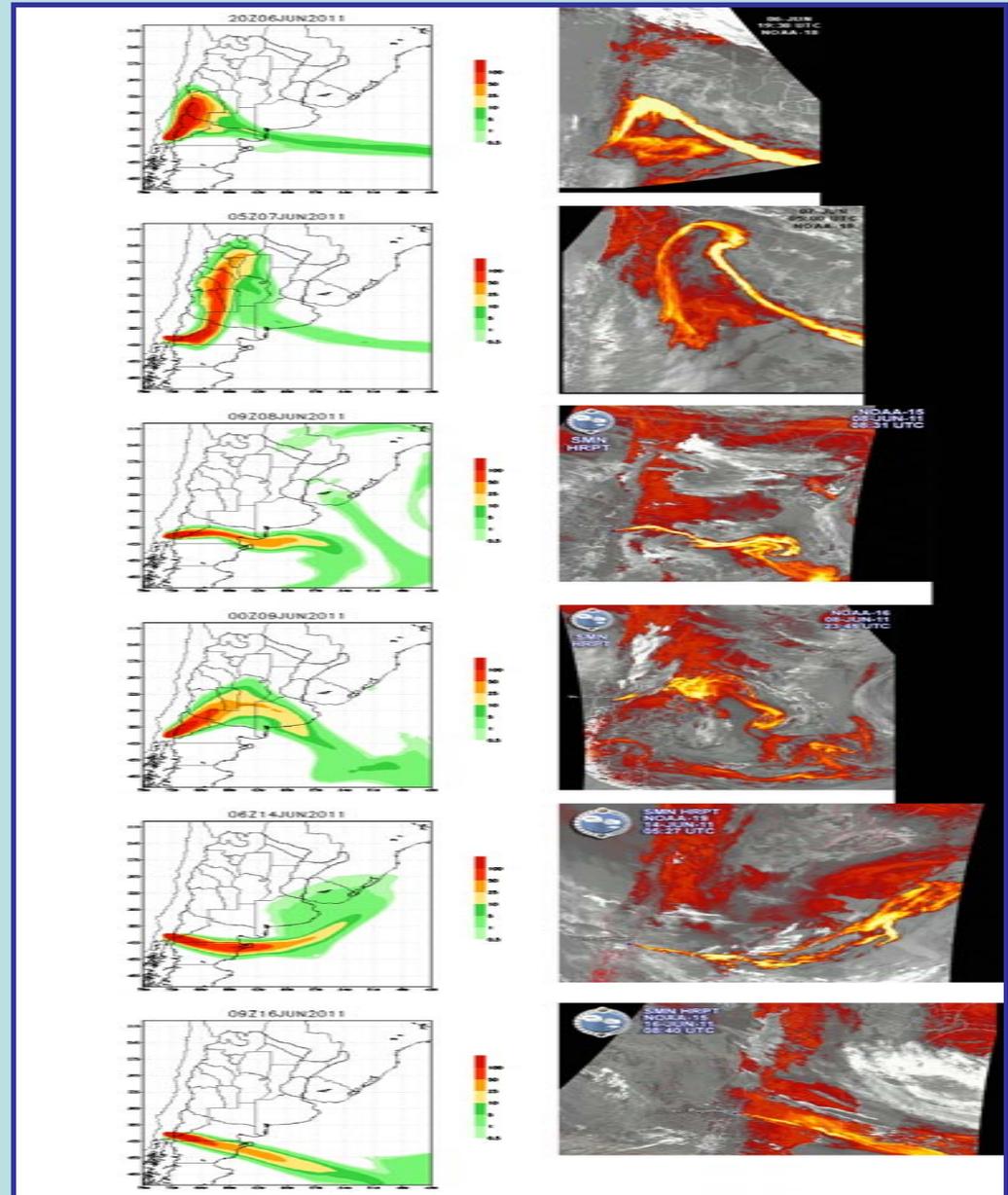
A qualitative comparison between **FALL3D forecasts** and the **NOAA-AVHRR satellite** ash detection retrievals obtained by the High Resolution Picture Transmission (HRPT) division SMN

Split window (SW) technique (Prata, 1989) based on the brightness temperature difference between 11 and 12 μm spectral bands, where negative values indicate probable ash signal. Prata (1989) developed this methodology based on the larger emissivity of volcanic ash at the longer wavelength.

The threshold values applied here were negative, using the color enhancement technique ranging from red to yellow.

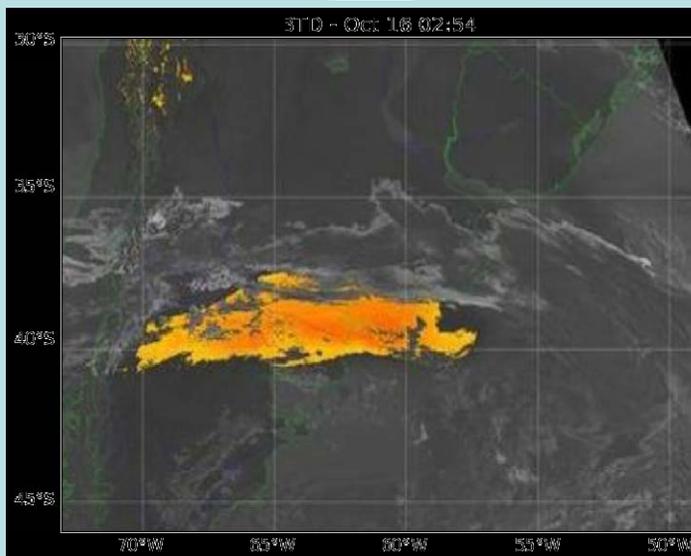
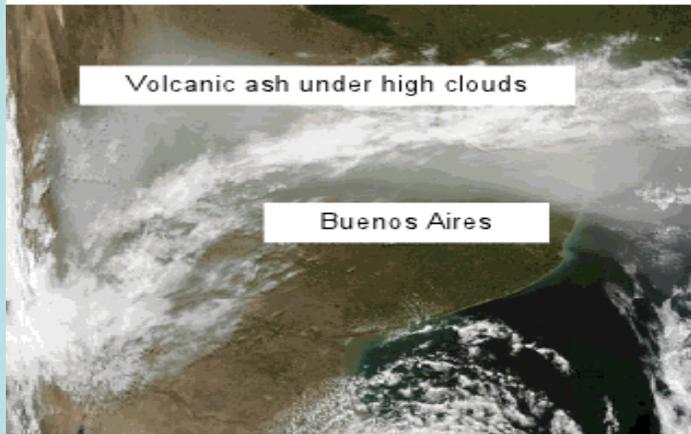
FALL3D Vert. integrated column mass (t km⁻²)

BTD from NOAA-AVHRR (HRPT-SMN)



Another challenge is the volcanic ash resuspension modeling, this is a phenomena very usual at the Patagonian steppe, but in this case it reaches Buenos Aires, 16 October 2011

16 October 2011 MODIS

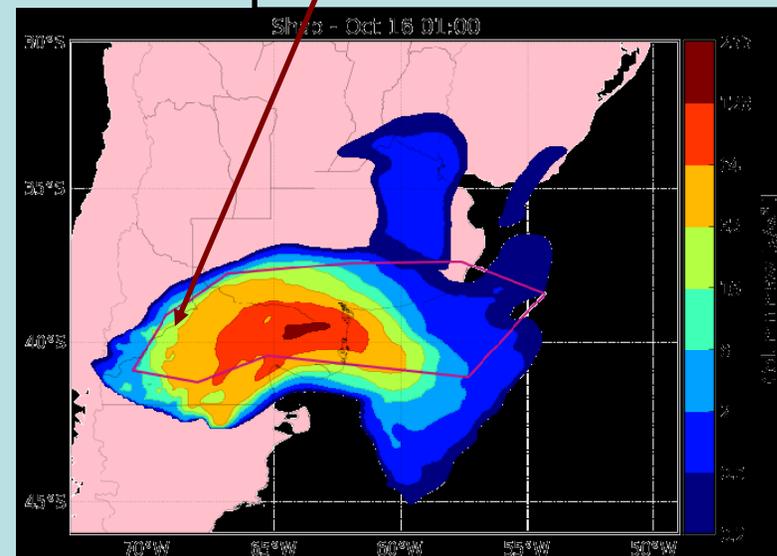


BTD MODIS images 02.54 UTC

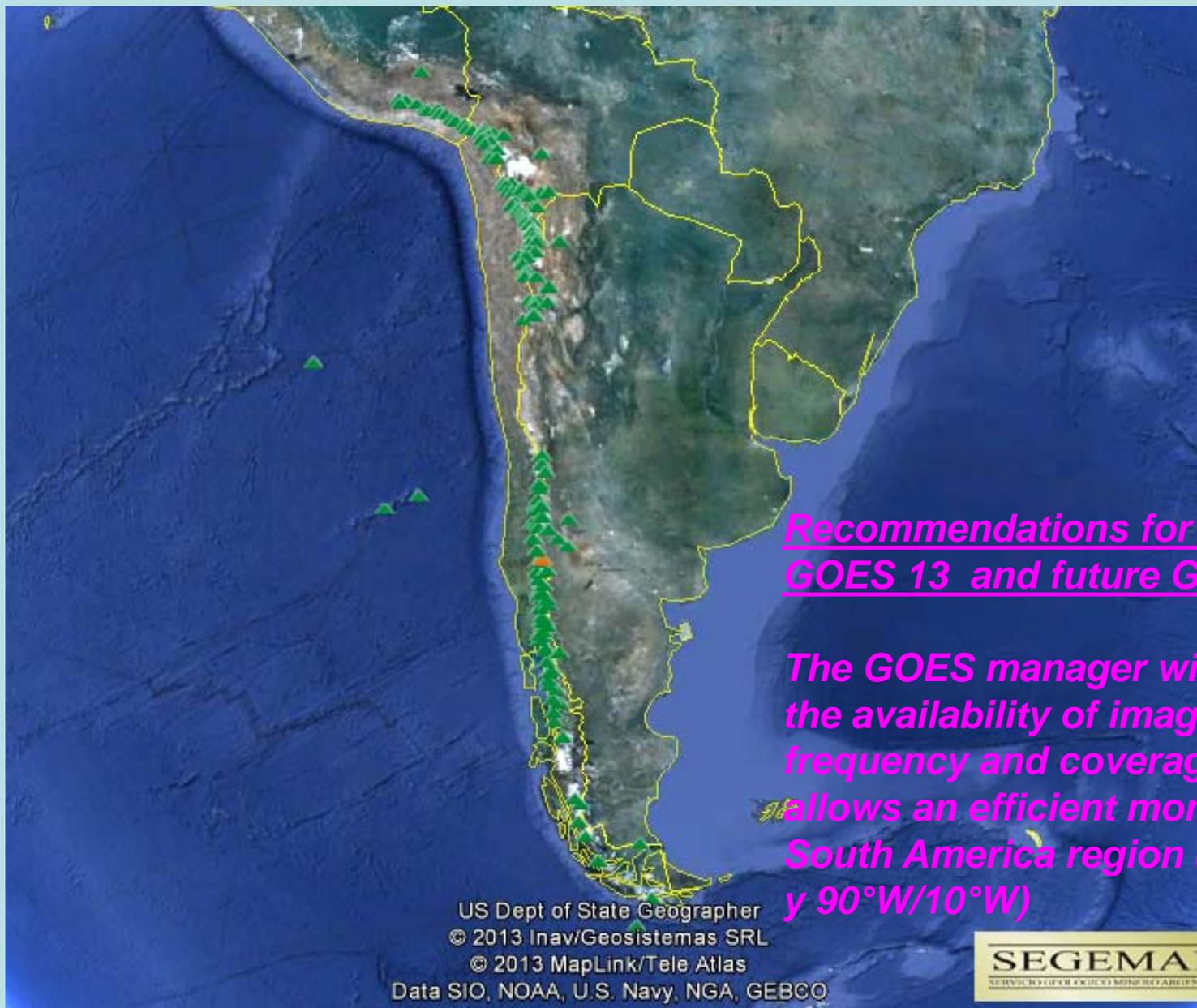
17 October 2011 Córdoba airport



SMN VAG 16 October, 01:28 UTC
based on GOES 13



FALL3D 7.0 resuspension forecast 01.00 UTC



Recommendations for current
GOES 13 and future GOES R

*The GOES manager will review
the availability of images with
frequency and coverage, that
allows an efficient monitoring of
South America region (10°S/90°S
y 90°W/10°W)*

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Volcanoes in The Andes

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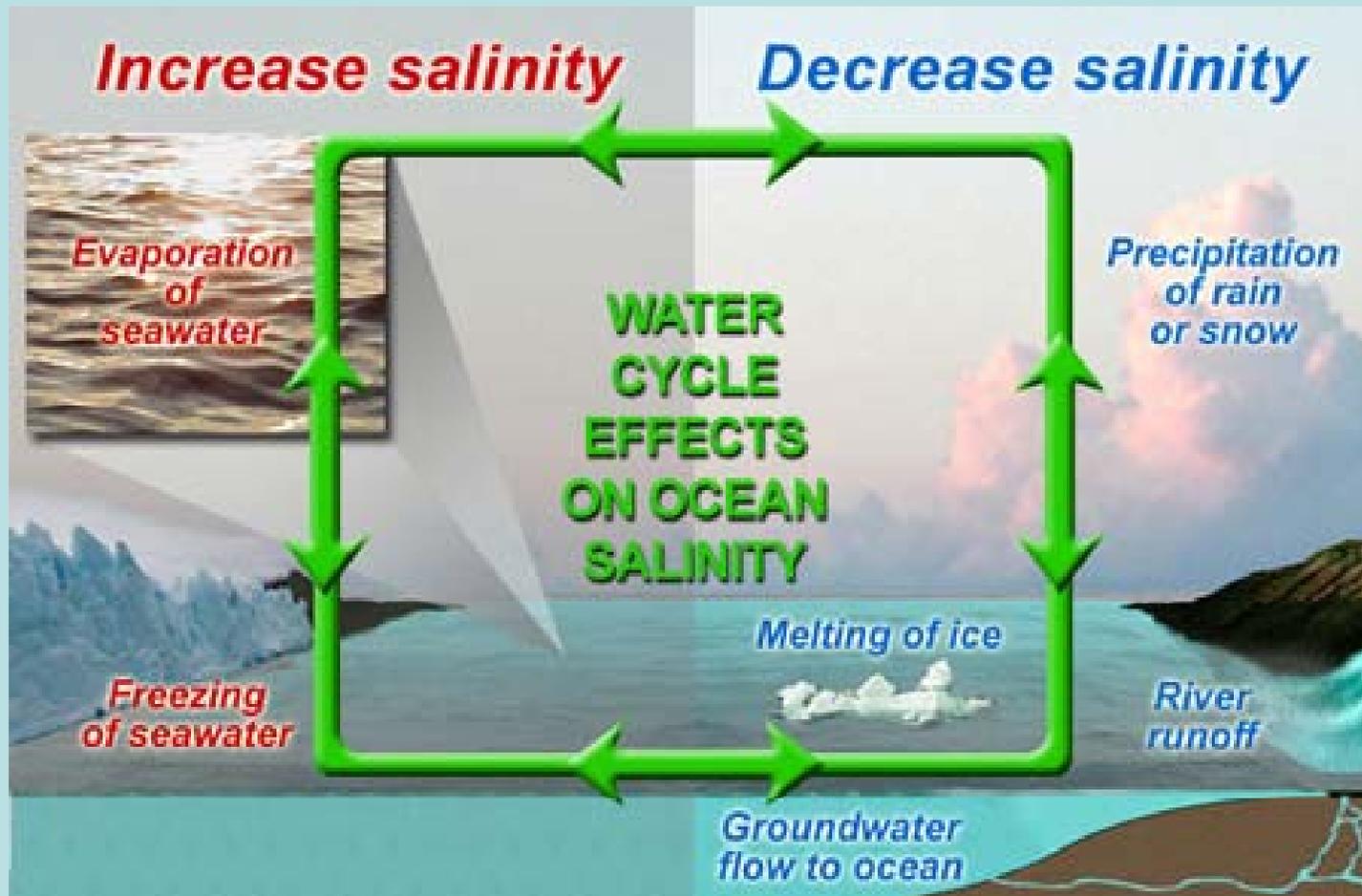
Launching: June 10, 2011.

April 2013

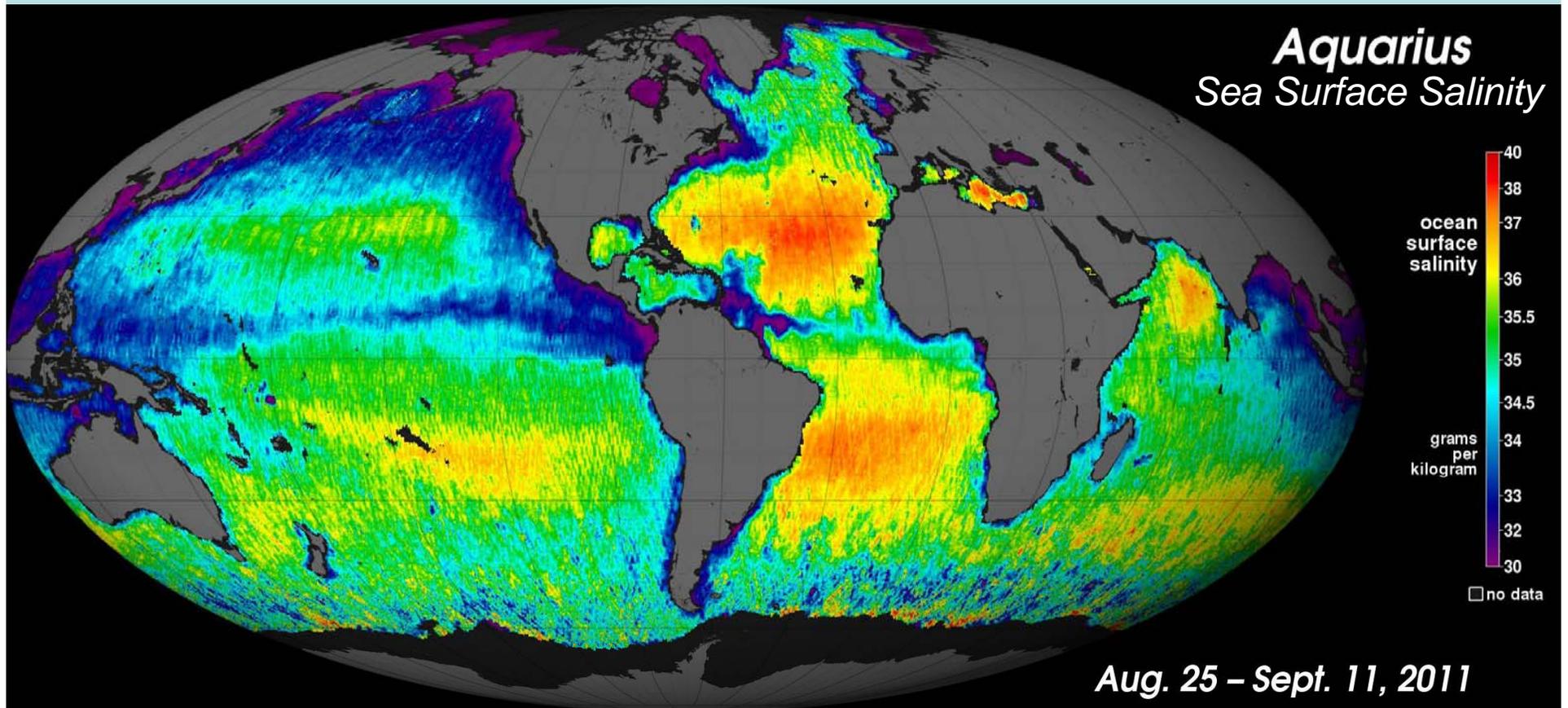
Science Objectives of the Mission

The **primary objective** of this Mission AQUARIUS/SAC-D is:

To contribute to a better understanding of ocean circulation, the prediction of changes in this circulation, and its impact on Earth's climate and water cycle.



SAC-D AQUARIUS Data & Products:



First Sea Surface Salinity Global Map

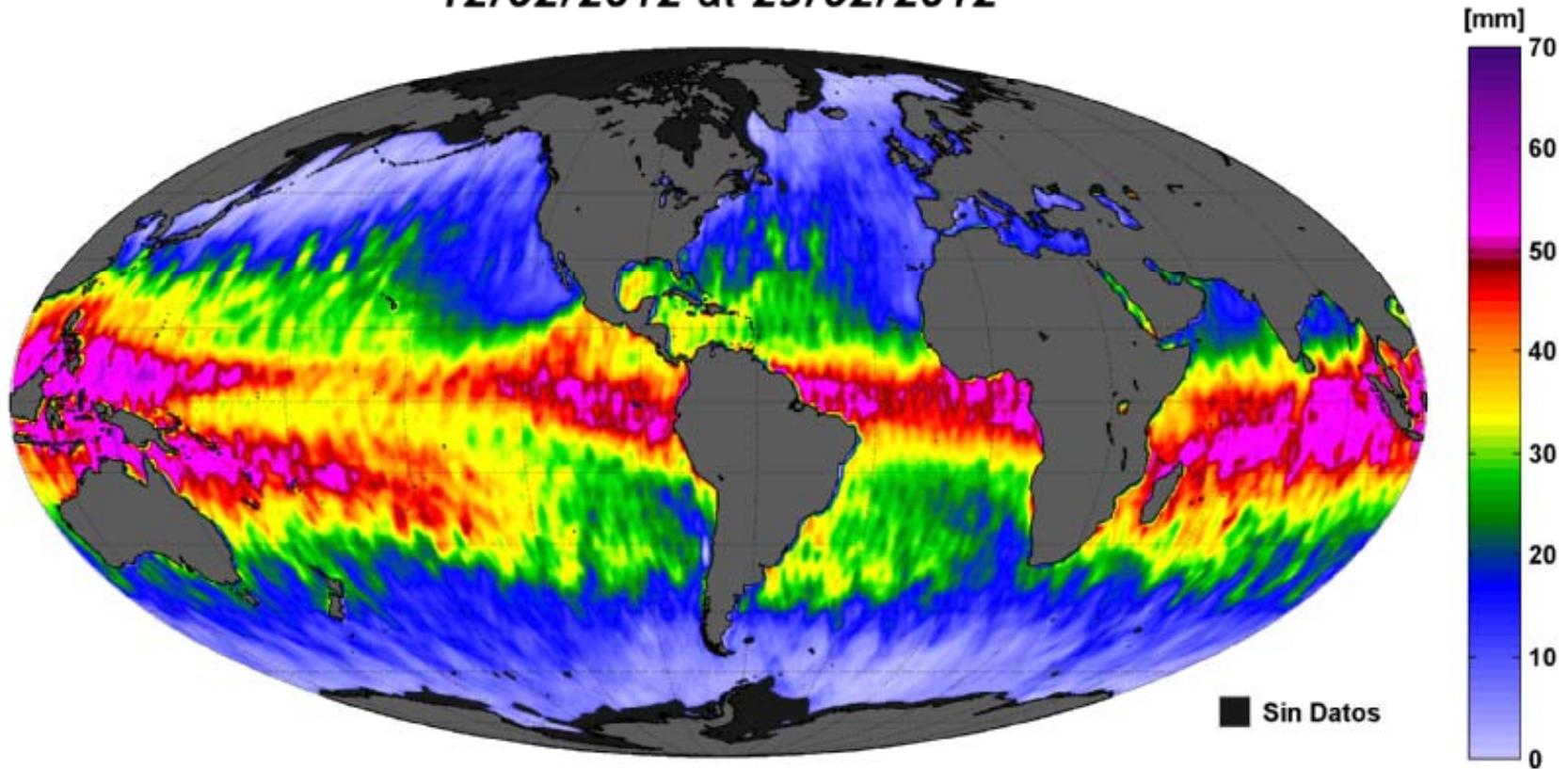
Yi Chao, (JPL)

<http://oceandata.sci.gsfc.nasa.gov/Aquarius/V1/V1.3/>
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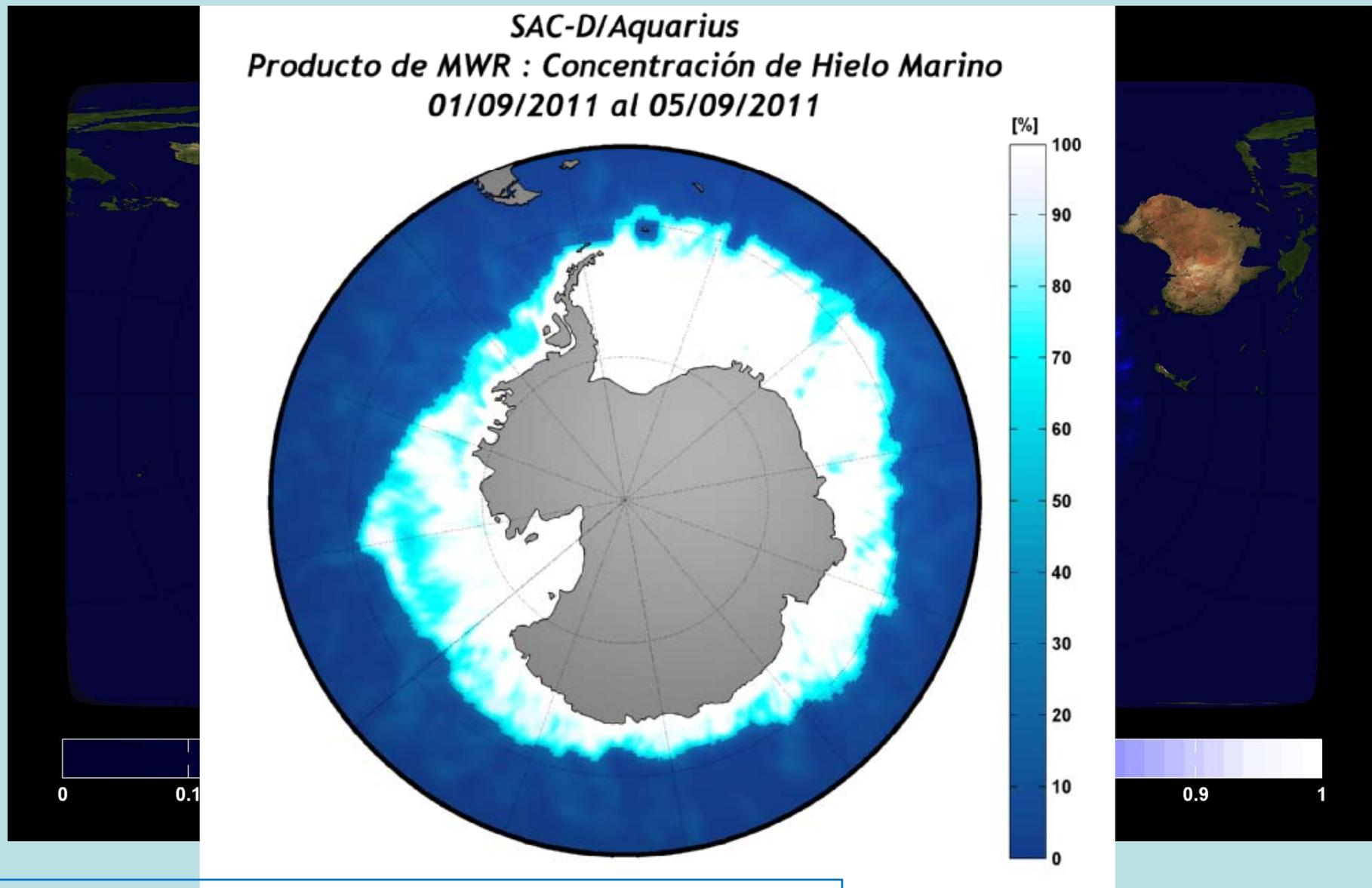
Microwave Radiometer (MWR)

Wind Speed, Rainfall & Water Vapor on the ocean.
Weekly/Monthly Maps

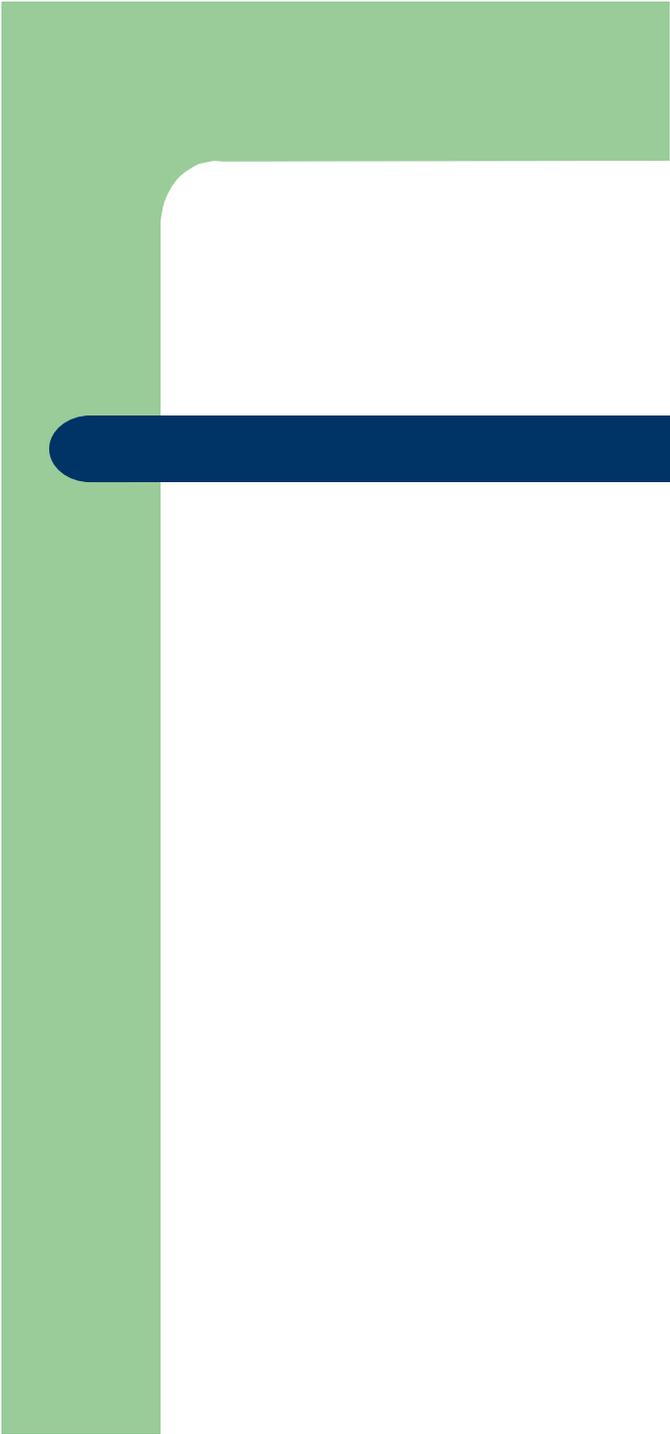
SAC-D/Aquarius
Producto de MWR : Columna de Vapor de Agua
12/02/2012 al 25/02/2012



MWR: Sea Ice Concentration



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