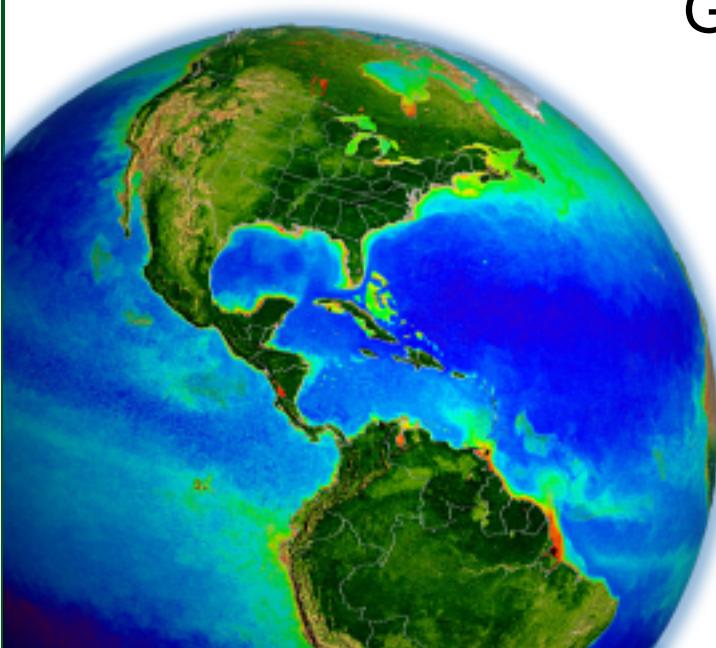


Remote Sensing Reflectance and Derived Products

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Content

- Reprocessing history and current product quality
- Proposed chlorophyll algorithm refinement
- Changes for next reprocessing (R2014.0)

Current MODIS OC Standard Product Suite

Level-2 OC Product	Algorithm Reference
1. $R_{rs}(\lambda)$	$R_{rs}(412)$
2. Ångstrom	$R_{rs}(443)$
3. AOT	$R_{rs}(469)$
4. Chlorophyll <i>a</i>	$R_{rs}(488)$ <i>et al. 1998 (OC3) updated by Werdell</i>
5. $K_d(490)$	$R_{rs}(531)$ <i>et al. 2000 (KD2) updated by Werdell</i>
6. POC	$R_{rs}(547)$ <i>et al. 2008</i>
7. PIC	$R_{rs}(555)$ <i>et al. 2005, Gordon et al. 2001</i>
8. CDOM_index	$R_{rs}(645)$ <i>Gentili 2009</i>
9. PAR	$R_{rs}(667)$ <i>Gordon, & Werdell 2003</i>
10. iPAR	$R_{rs}(678)$
11. nFLH	<i>Behrenfeld et al. 2009</i>

Calibration Refinements to Improve Rrs Quality

1. Starting from MCST instrument calibration.
2. Add time-dependent corrections to reduce residual artifacts in cross-scan variability and detector and mirror-side striping.
Meister and Franz, 2013
3. Add (for Terra) time-dependent polarization sensitivity changes (from -5% to +40%, 412 end of scan).
see talk by Meister on Thursday
4. Add vicarious calibration to remove mean bias in Rrs retrievals relative to ground truth (MOBY).

MODIS Vicarious Gains

	412	443	469	488	531	547	555	645	667	678	748	859	869
Aqua	0.9731	0.9910	1.0132	0.9935	1.002	0.9994	1.0012	1.0280	0.9996	0.9998	0.9989	1.0254	1.0
Terra	0.9805	0.9985	0.9986	0.9930	0.9987	0.9976	0.9908	1.0337	0.9945	1.0012	0.9990	1.0060	1.0

MODIS-Aqua Ocean Color Reprocessing

2010-2011

preliminary C6 calibration

R2010.0: multi-mission reprocessing (MODISA, MODIST, SeaWiFS, OCTS, CZCS) using common algorithms.

2012 May

final C6 calibration

R2012.0: MODISA full-mission reprocessing to incorporate final MCST C6 calibration and OBPG RVS refinements.

2013 February

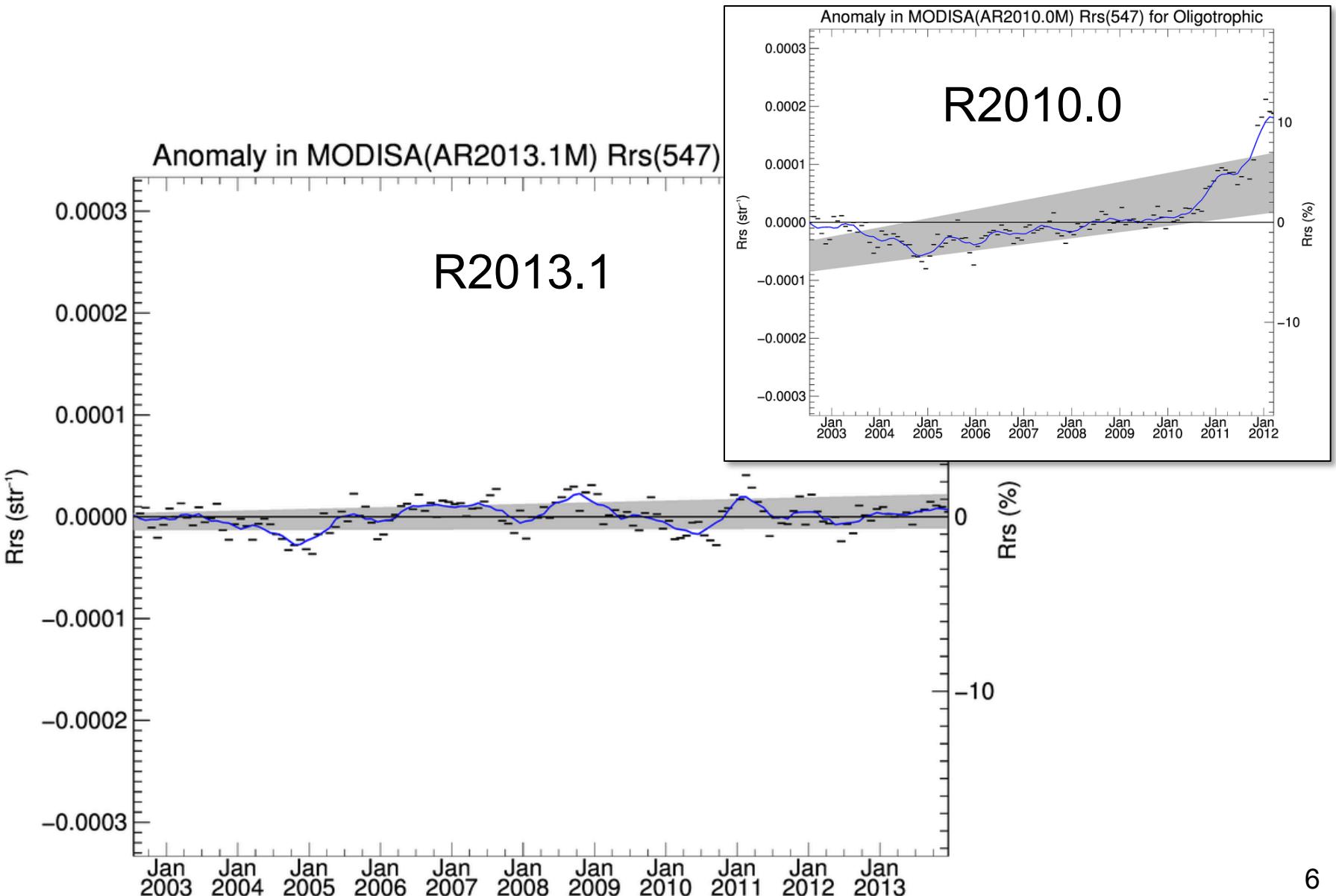
improved C6 calibration

R2013.0: MODISA partial-mission reprocessing (period 2011-2013) to incorporate refined MCST C6 calibration.

2013 September & November

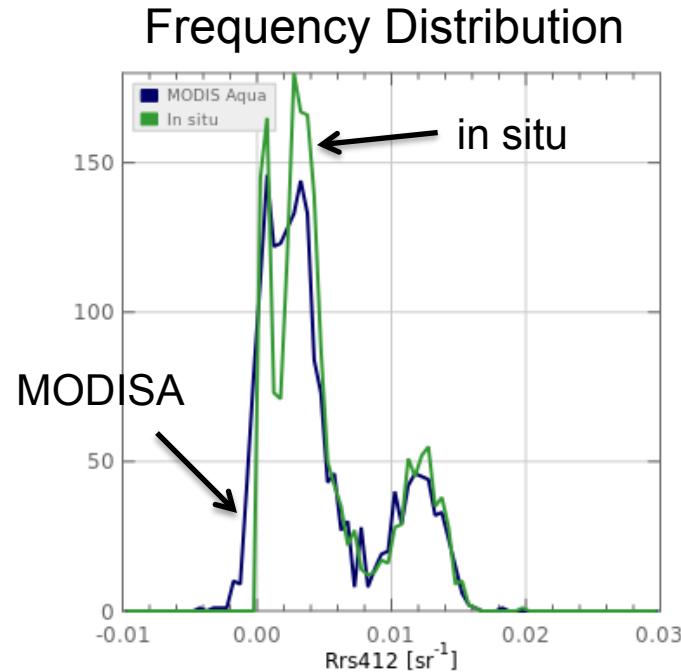
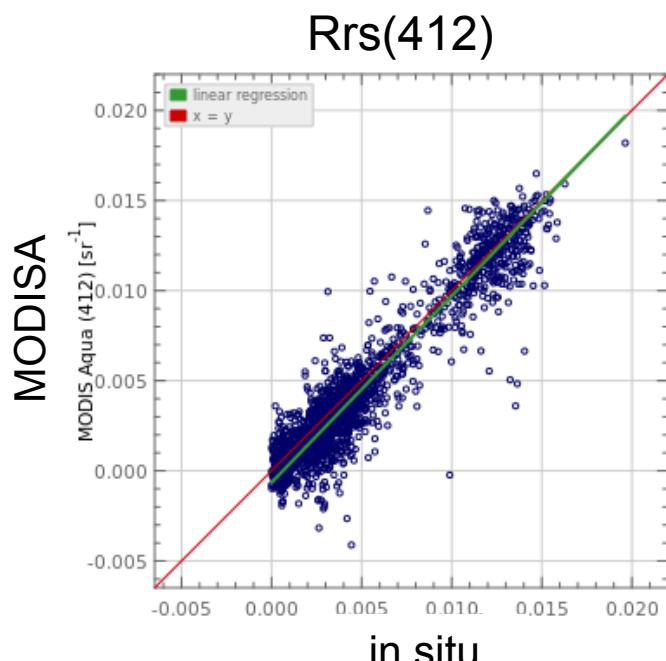
R2013.1, R2013.1.1: end of mission only, minor calibration updates

Clear-Water Rrs(547) Anomaly Trend



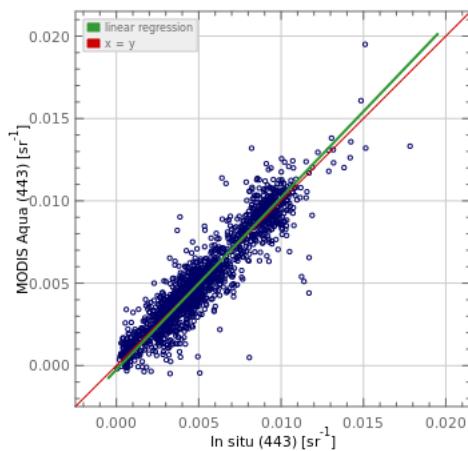
MODISA (R2013.1) Rrs vs Field Measurements

Product Name	MODIS Aqua Range	In situ Range	#	Best Fit Slope	Best Fit Intercept	R ²	Median Ratio	Abs % Difference	RMSE
Rrs412	-0.00411, 0.01820	0.00000, 0.01964	1945	1.03539	-0.00065	0.90481	0.90307	22.21457	0.00147
Rrs443	-0.00065, 0.01950	0.00005, 0.01783	1774	1.04628	-0.00026	0.88967	1.00894	12.06771	0.00109
Rrs488	0.00033, 0.02513	0.00039, 0.02289	2127	0.94853	-0.00021	0.89894	0.91509	12.00520	0.00106
Rrs531	0.00092, 0.01682	0.00130, 0.02110	639	0.87525	0.00017	0.91346	0.97562	11.98040	0.00096
Rrs547	0.00088, 0.01590	0.00091, 0.01984	469	0.91611	0.00018	0.92442	1.04480	13.38668	0.00072
Rrs667	-0.00016, 0.01186	0.00002, 0.01100	709	0.98687	-0.00002	0.91982	0.94565	37.48856	0.00017
Rrs678	-0.00015, 0.00283	0.00004, 0.00295	373	0.94854	-0.00000	0.89380	1.00161	32.16394	0.00008

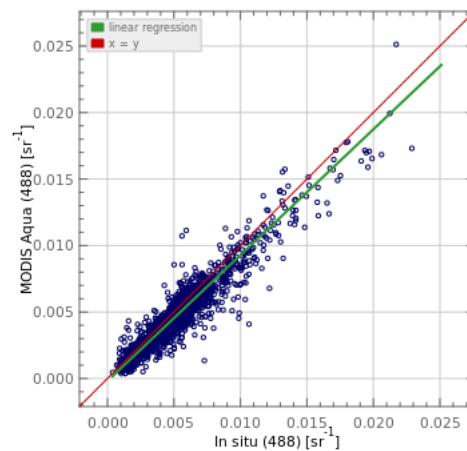


MODISA (R2013.1) Rrs vs Field Measurements

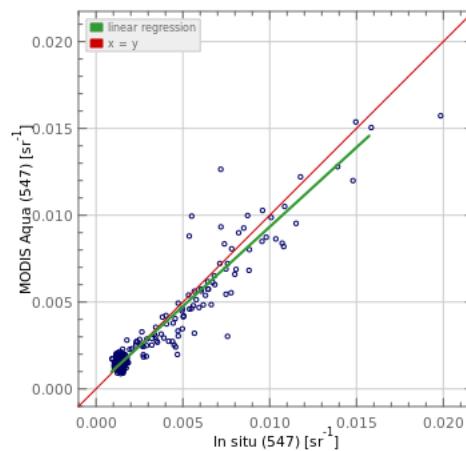
Rrs(443)



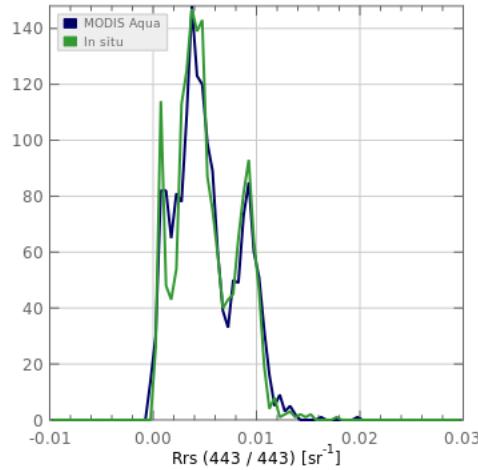
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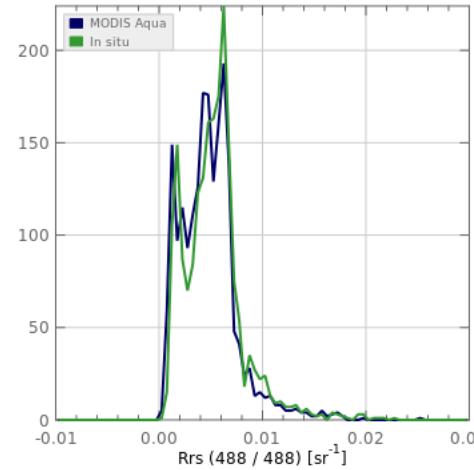
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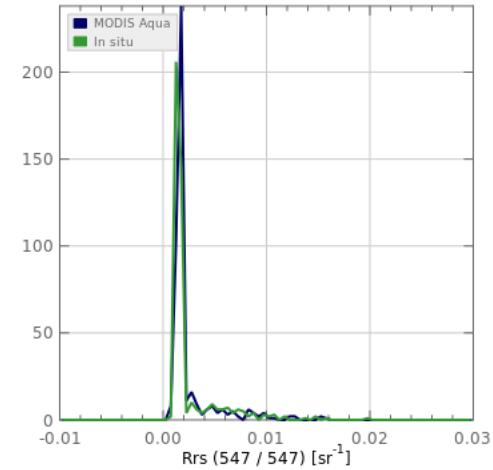
Frequency Distribution



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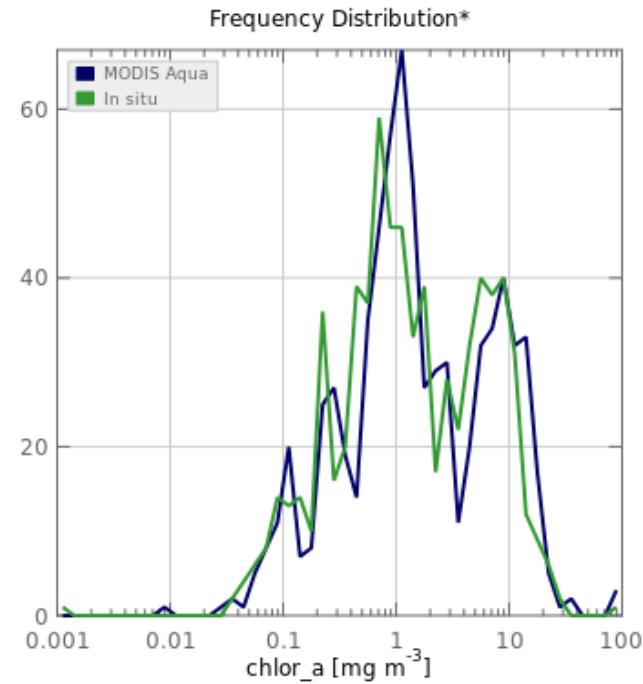
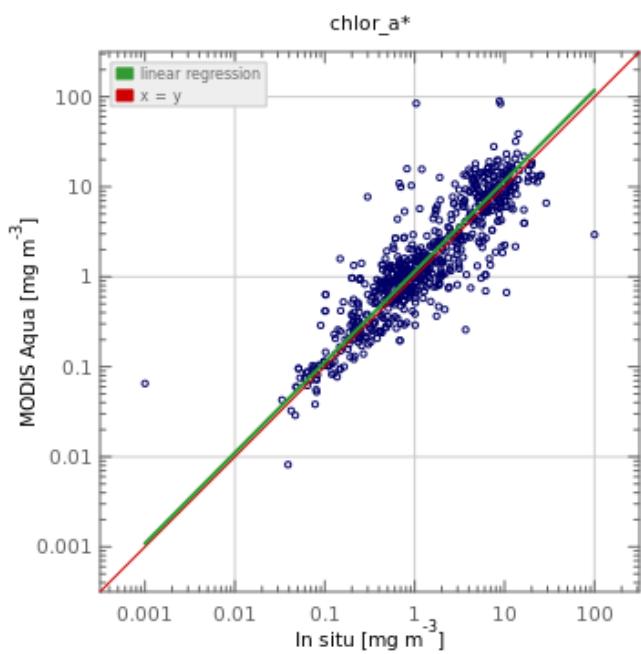
Mean APD 12-13%, Mean Bias < 10%, R² > 0.9

MODISA (R2013.1) Chlorophyll Validation

Product Name	MODIS Aqua Range	In situ Range	#	Best Fit Slope*	Best Fit Intercept*	R ² *	Median Ratio	Abs % Difference	RMSE*
chlor_a	0.00818, 90.17510	0.00100, 100.00000	721	1.00727	0.05792	0.80370	1.12256	38.54489	0.32837

* statistical calculations based on log10

The linear regression algorithm has been changed to reduced major axis.



Mean APD 38%, Mean Bias 12%, R² 0.8

MODIS-Terra Ocean Color Reprocessing

2010-2011

preliminary C6 calibration

R2010.0: multi-mission reprocessing (MODIS-A, MODIS-T, SeaWiFS, OCTS, CZCS) using common algorithms.

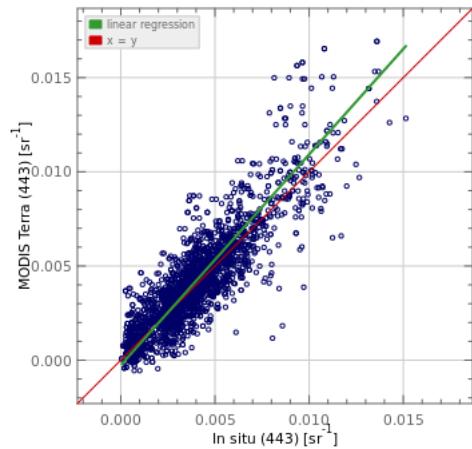
2013 August

improved C6 calibration

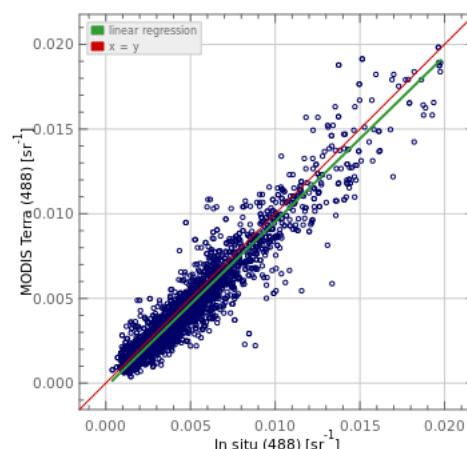
R2013.0: MODIS-T reprocessing to incorporate MCST C6 calibration and OBPG RVS and polarization sensitivity refinements.

MODIST (R2013.0) Rrs vs Field Measurements

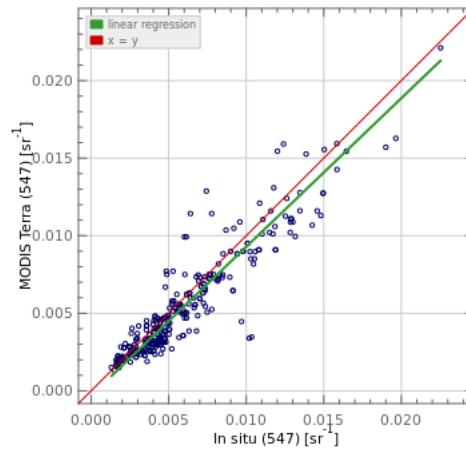
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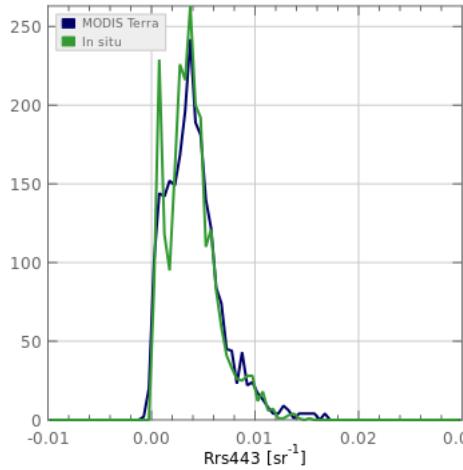
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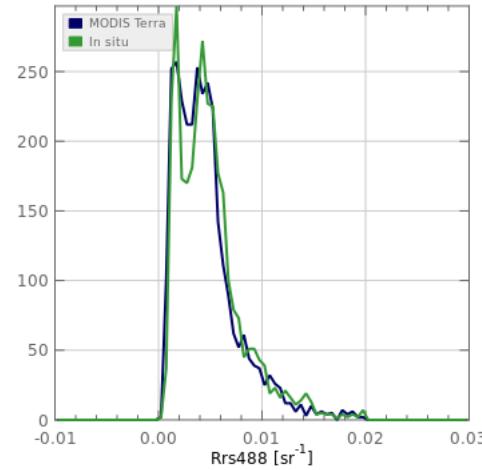
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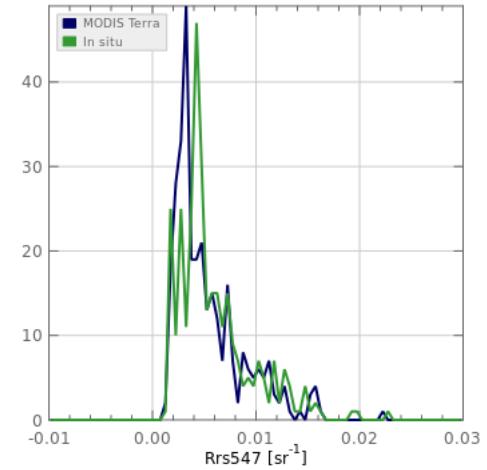
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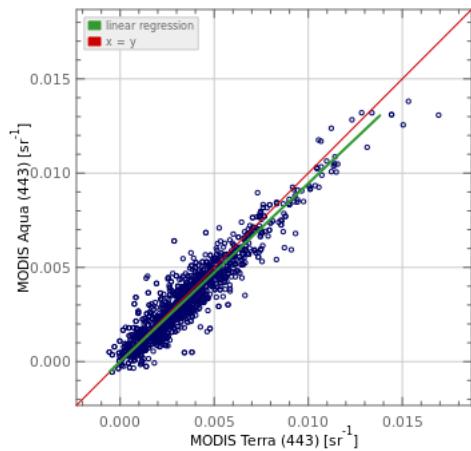
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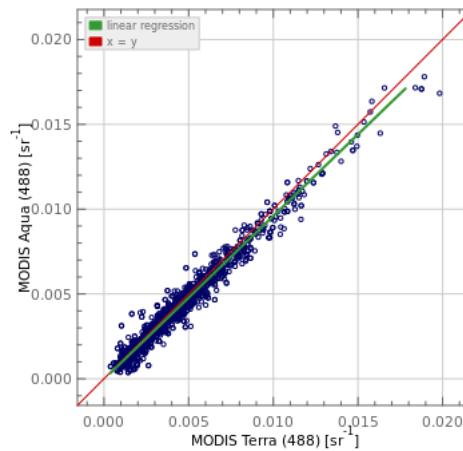
Mean APD 13-20%, Mean Bias < 10%, R^2 0.8-0.9

MODIST (R2013.0) vs MODISA (R2013.1)

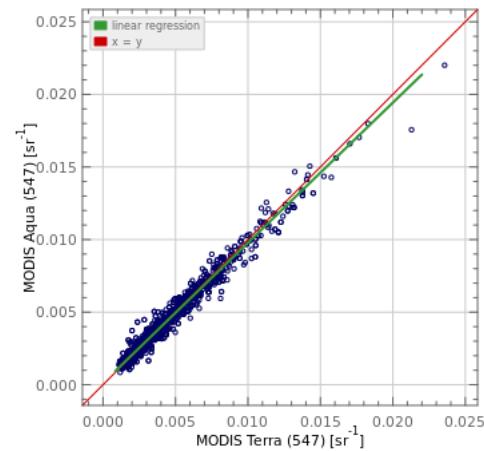
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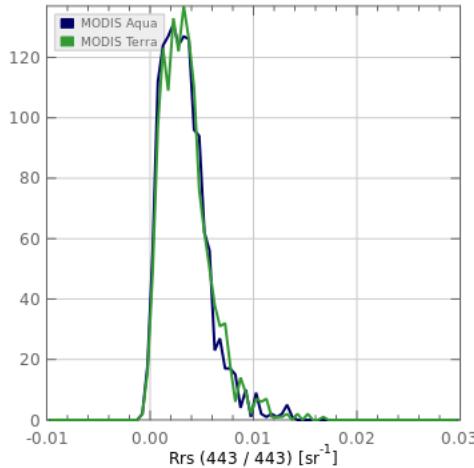
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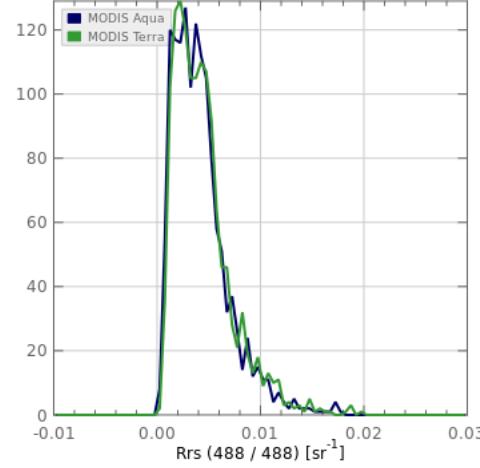
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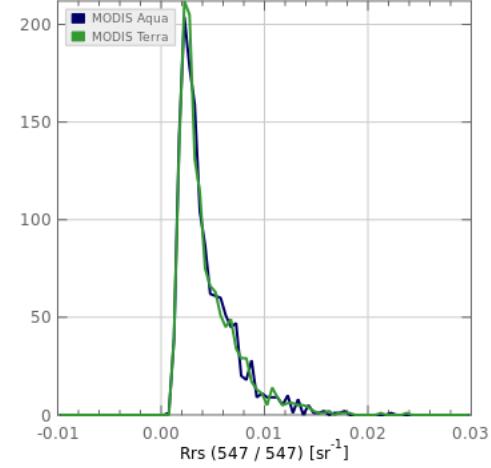
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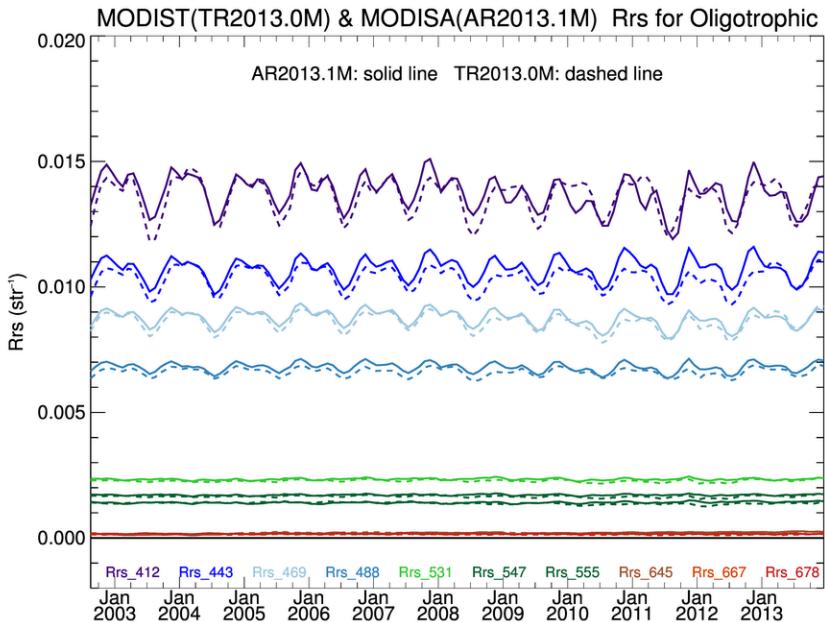
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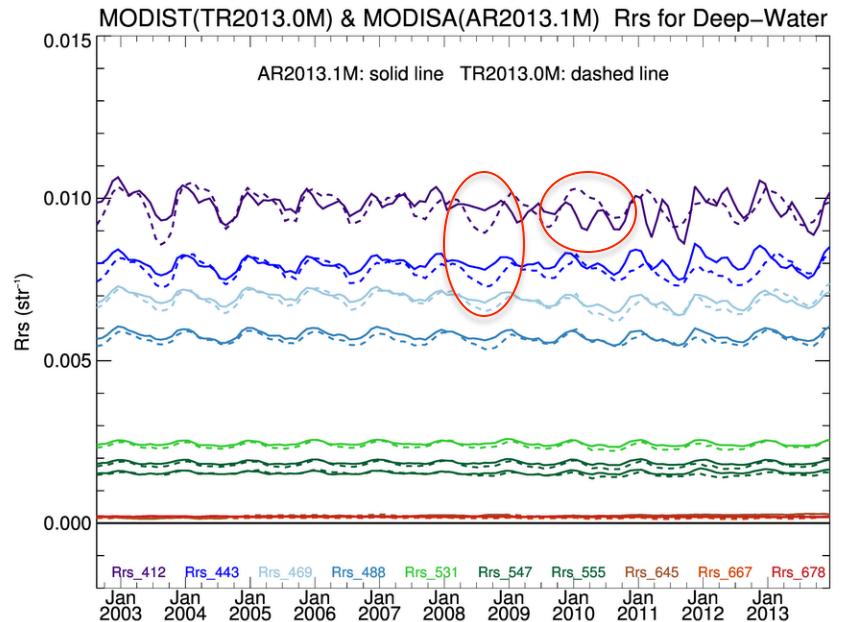
MODIS to MODIS scatter 1/2 the MODIS to in situ scatter!

MODISA and MODIST Rrs(λ) Time-Series

Very Clear Water



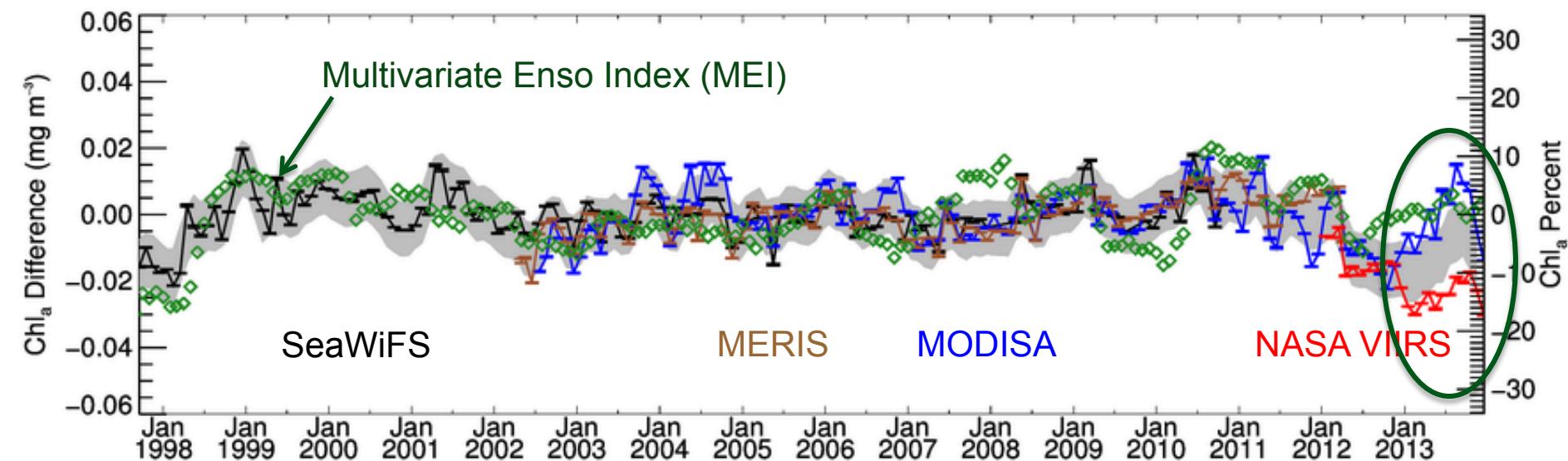
Global Deep Water



mean ratio between missions within 3% in most bands

Multi-Mission Chlorophyll Time-Series

Deep-Water Chlorophyll Anomaly



~5% month-to-month temporal precision

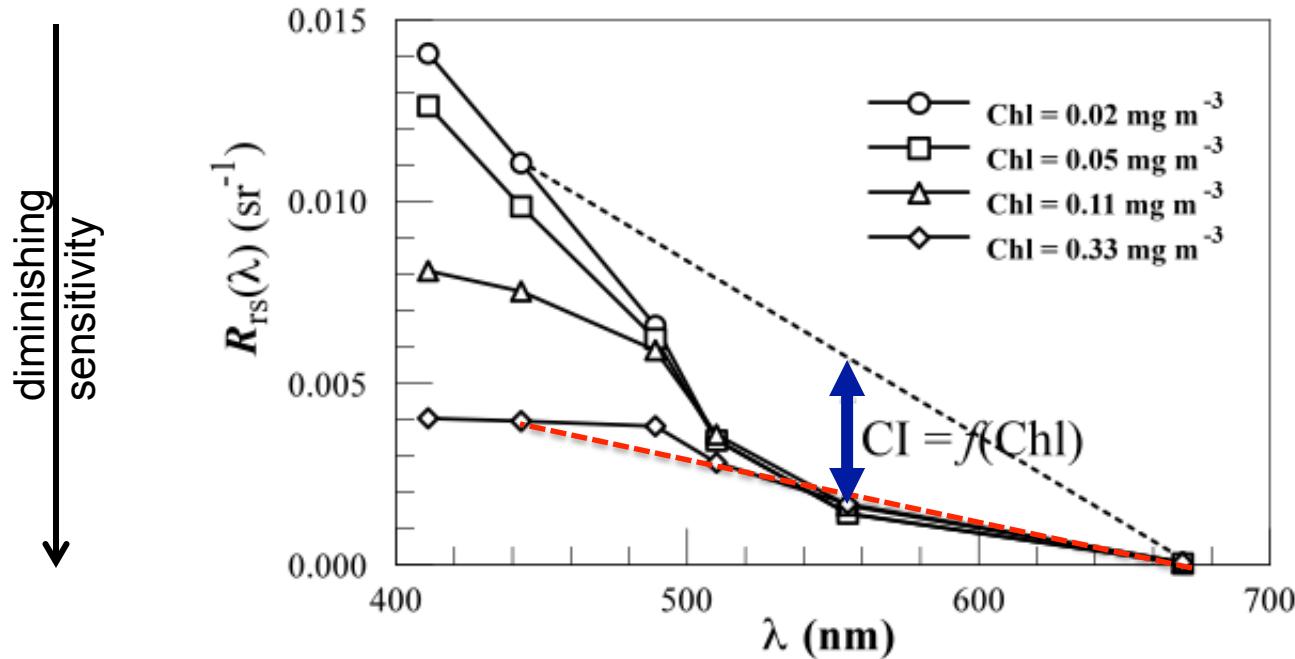
Chlorophyll Algorithm Refinement

line-height approach

Chlorophyll *a* algorithms for oligotrophic oceans: A novel approach based on three-band reflectance difference

Chuanmin Hu,¹ Zhongping Lee,² and Bryan Franz³

JOURNAL OF GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH, VOL. 117, C01011, doi:10.1029/2011JC007395, 2012



Chlorophyll Algorithm Refinement

a hybrid approach

New CI Line Height Algorithm better at low chlorophyll

$CI = R_{rs}(555) - [R_{rs}(443) + (555-443)/(670-443) * (R_{rs}(670) - R_{rs}(443))]$,
which is equivalent to $CI \approx R_{rs}(555) - 0.5(R_{rs}(443) + R_{rs}(670))$.

$$Chl \leq 0.25 \text{ mg m}^{-3}$$



Standard OCx Band Ratio Algorithm better at mid to high chlorophyll

$$Chl_{OC4} = 10^y$$
$$y = a_0 + a_1\chi + a_2\chi^2 + a_3\chi^3 + a_4\chi^4$$
$$\chi = \log_{10}(R) \text{ and } R = \max(R_{rs}(443, 490, 510))/R_{rs}(555)$$

$$Chl > 0.3 \text{ mg m}^{-3}$$



Proposed OCxI Algorithm

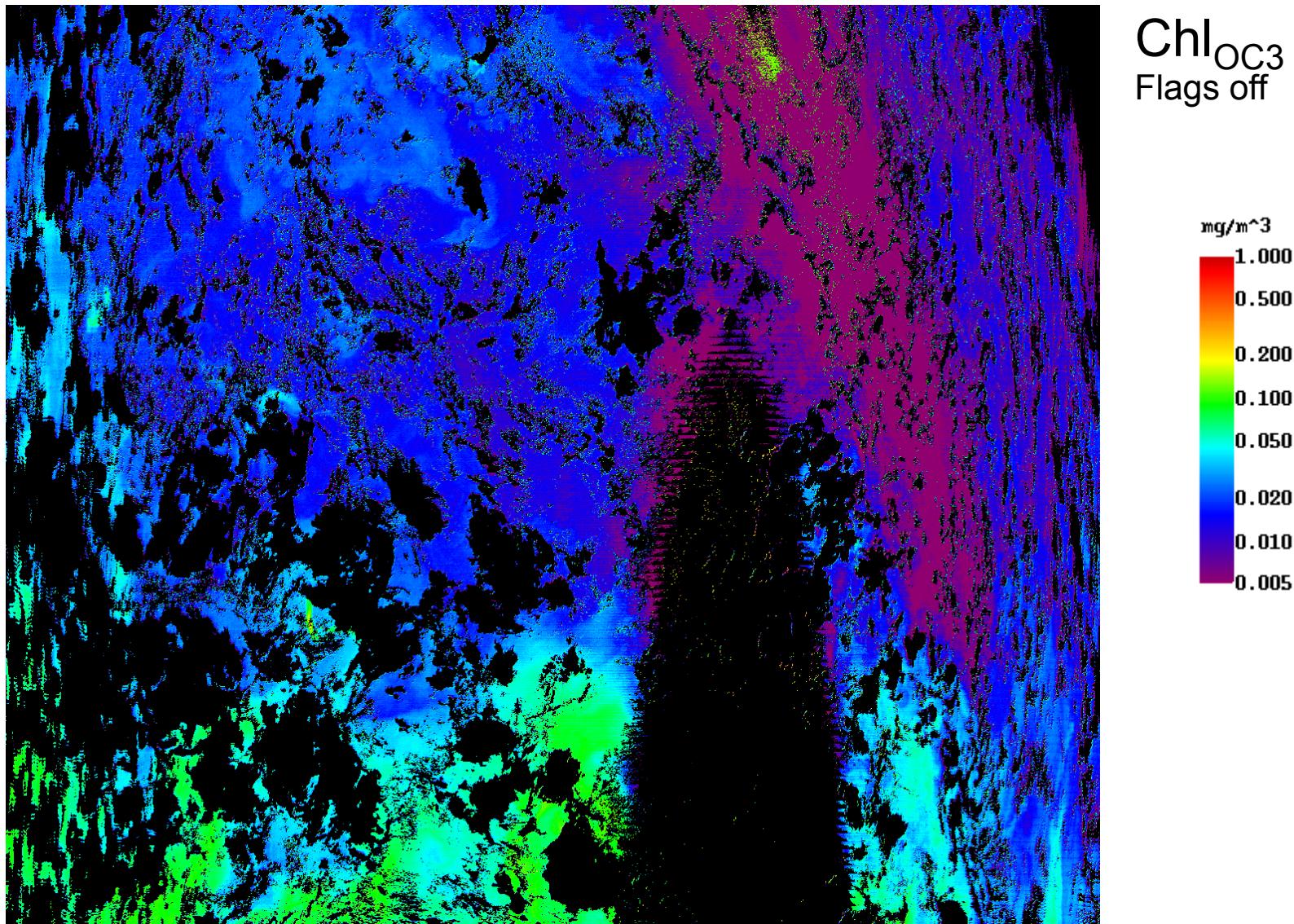
$$Chl_{OCI} = Chl_{CI} [\text{for } Chl_{CI} \leq 0.25 \text{ mg m}^{-3}]$$

$$Chl_{OC4} [\text{for } Chl_{CI} > 0.3 \text{ mg m}^{-3}]$$

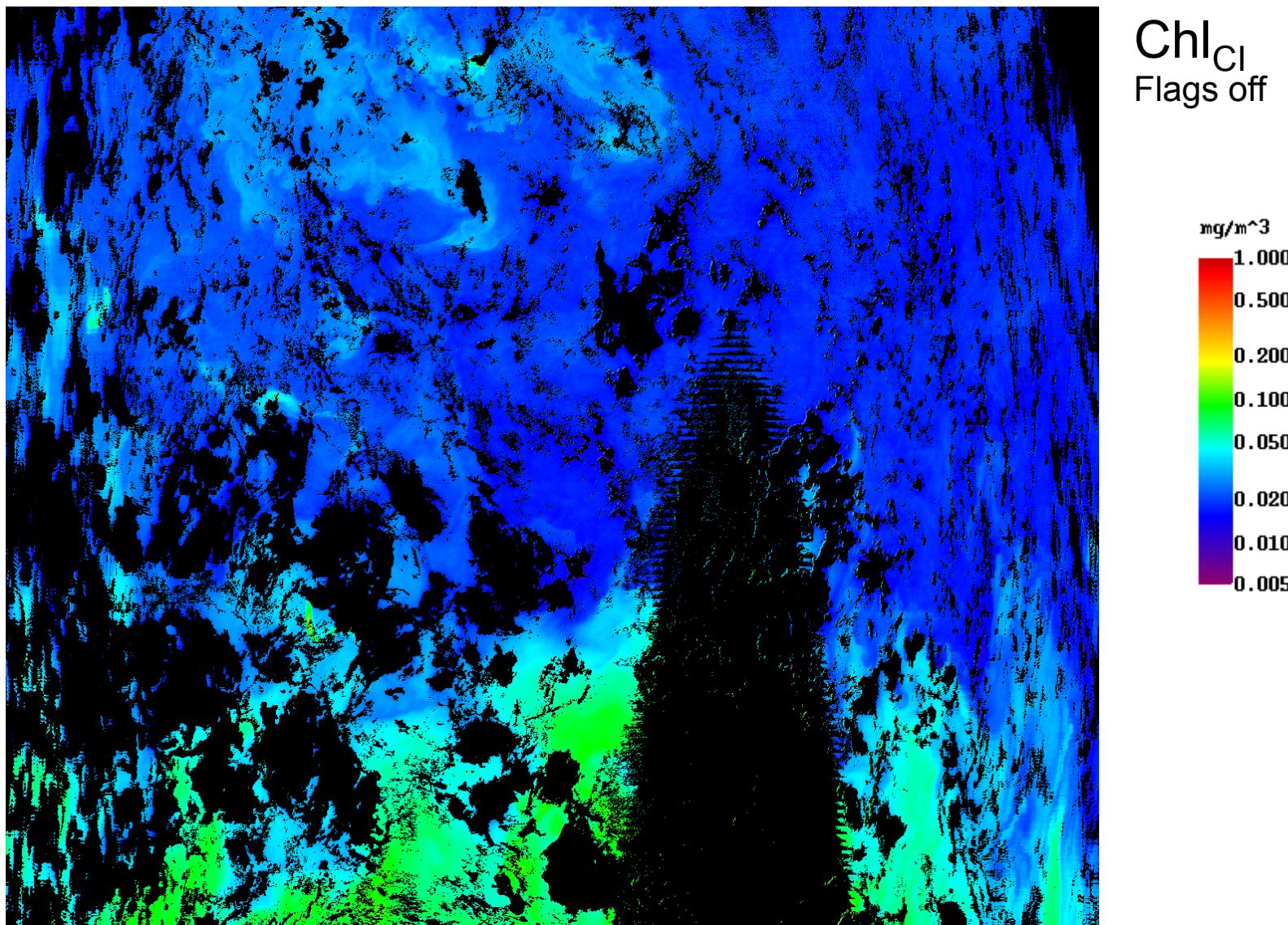
$$\alpha \times Chl_{OC4} + \beta \times Chl_{CI} [\text{for } 0.25 < Chl_{CI} \leq 0.3 \text{ mg m}^{-3}]$$



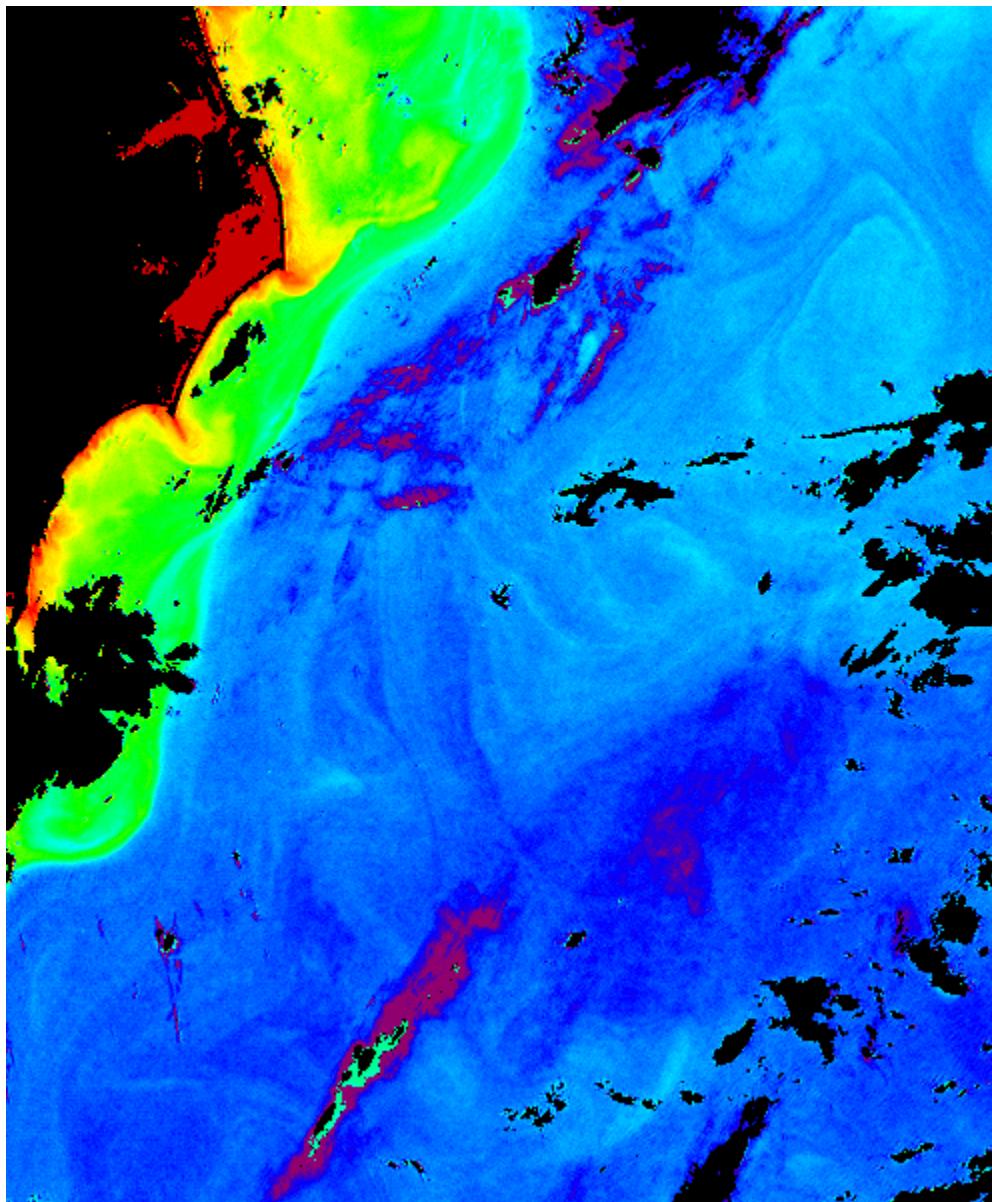
MODISA Standard OC3 Chlorophyll



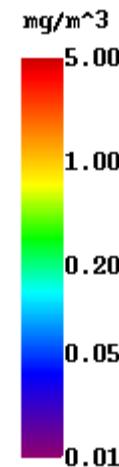
MODISA Evaluation OCI Chlorophyll



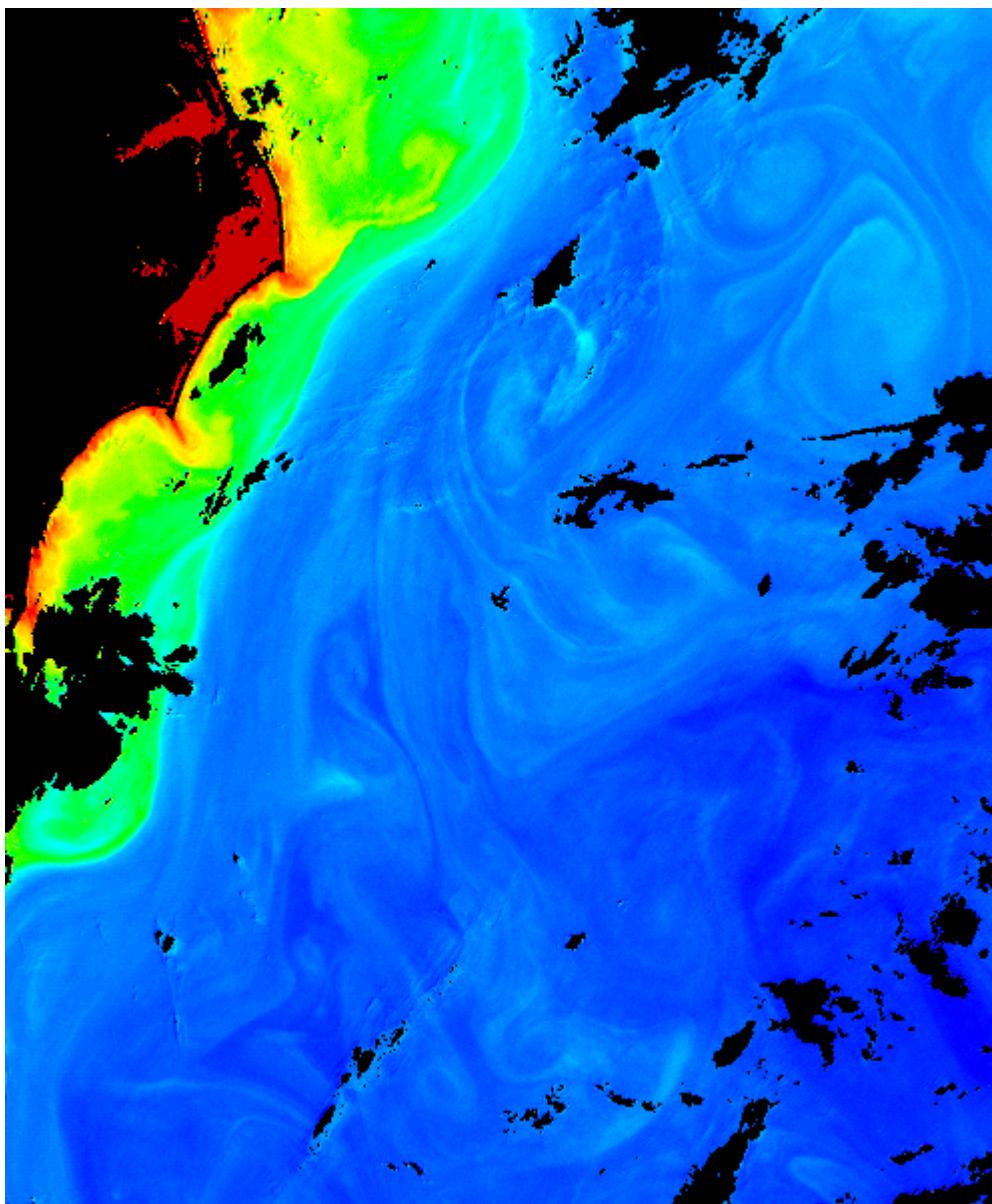
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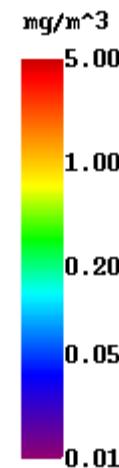
Chl_{OC4}



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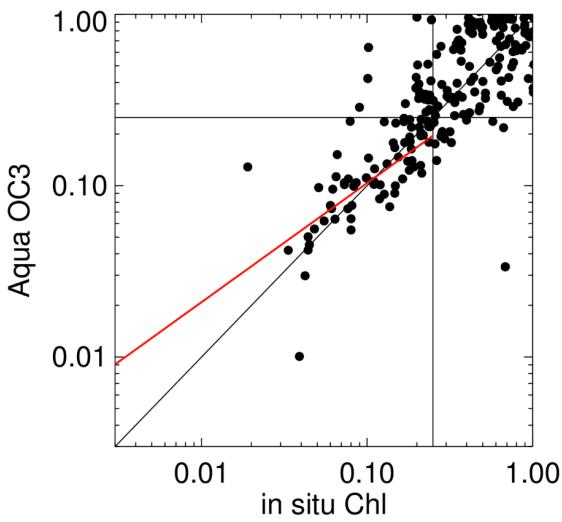


Chl_{OCI}

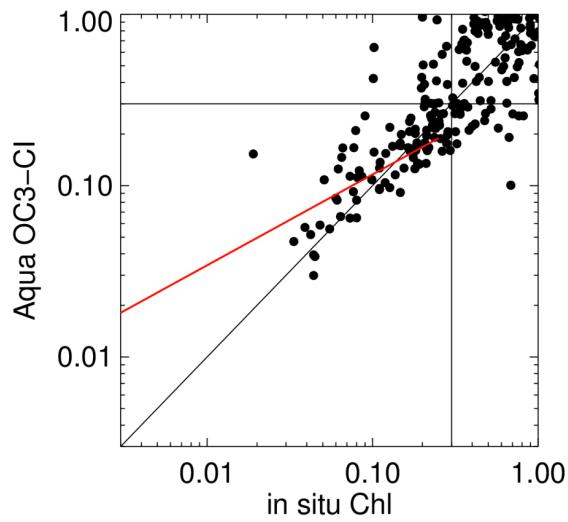


Aqua match-ups for OCI chl < 0.25 mg m⁻³

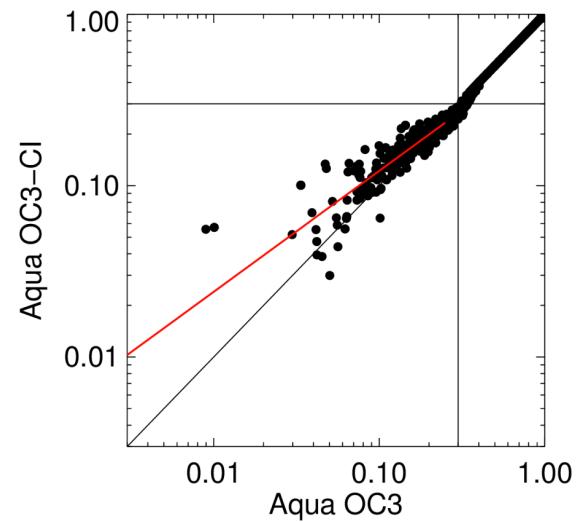
red line is best fit (Type II, RMA)
 r^2 , slope, and RMSE log-transformed statistics
 sample size is 96



r^2	0.30
Slope	0.69
RMSE	0.124
Ratio	0.95
MPD	28.2



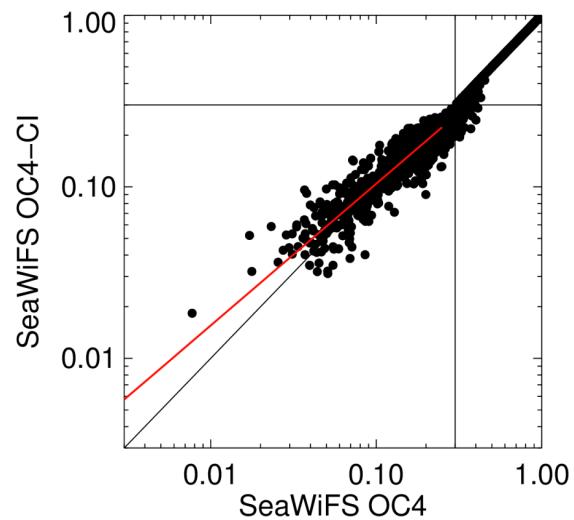
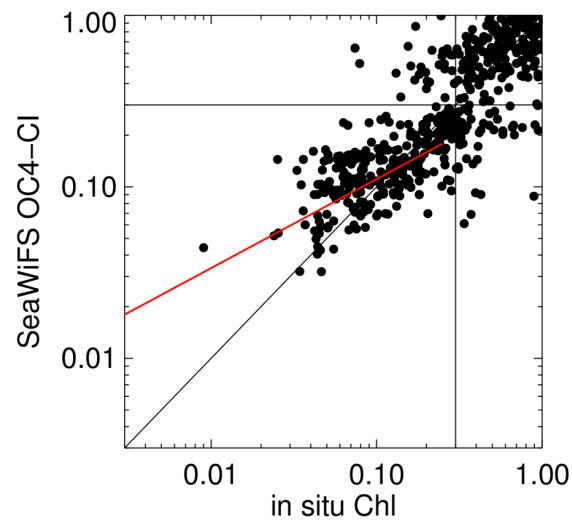
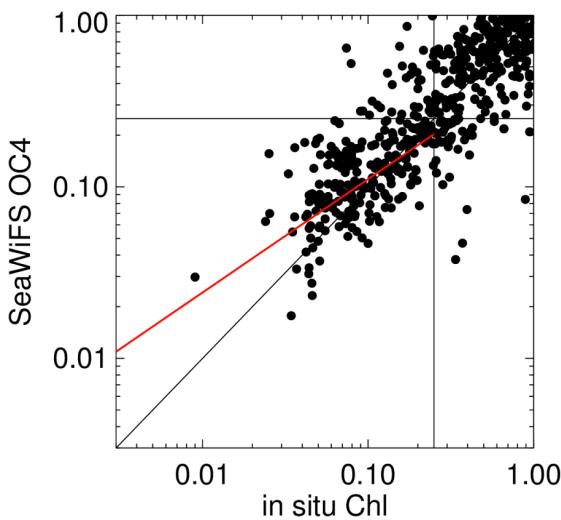
r^2	0.31
Slope	0.53
RMSE	0.093
Ratio	0.93
MPD	26.1



r^2	0.78
Slope	0.71
RMSE	0.076
Ratio	1.01
MPD	7.8

SeaWiFS match-ups for OCI chl < 0.25 mg m⁻³

red line is best fit (Type II, RMA)
 r², slope, and RMSE log-transformed statistics
 sample size is 314



r²

0.35

Slope

0.66

RMSE

0.104

Ratio

1.02

MPD

36.4

r²

0.32

Slope

0.52

RMSE

0.085

Ratio

0.99

MPD

36.3

r²

0.85

Slope

0.83

RMSE

0.074

Ratio

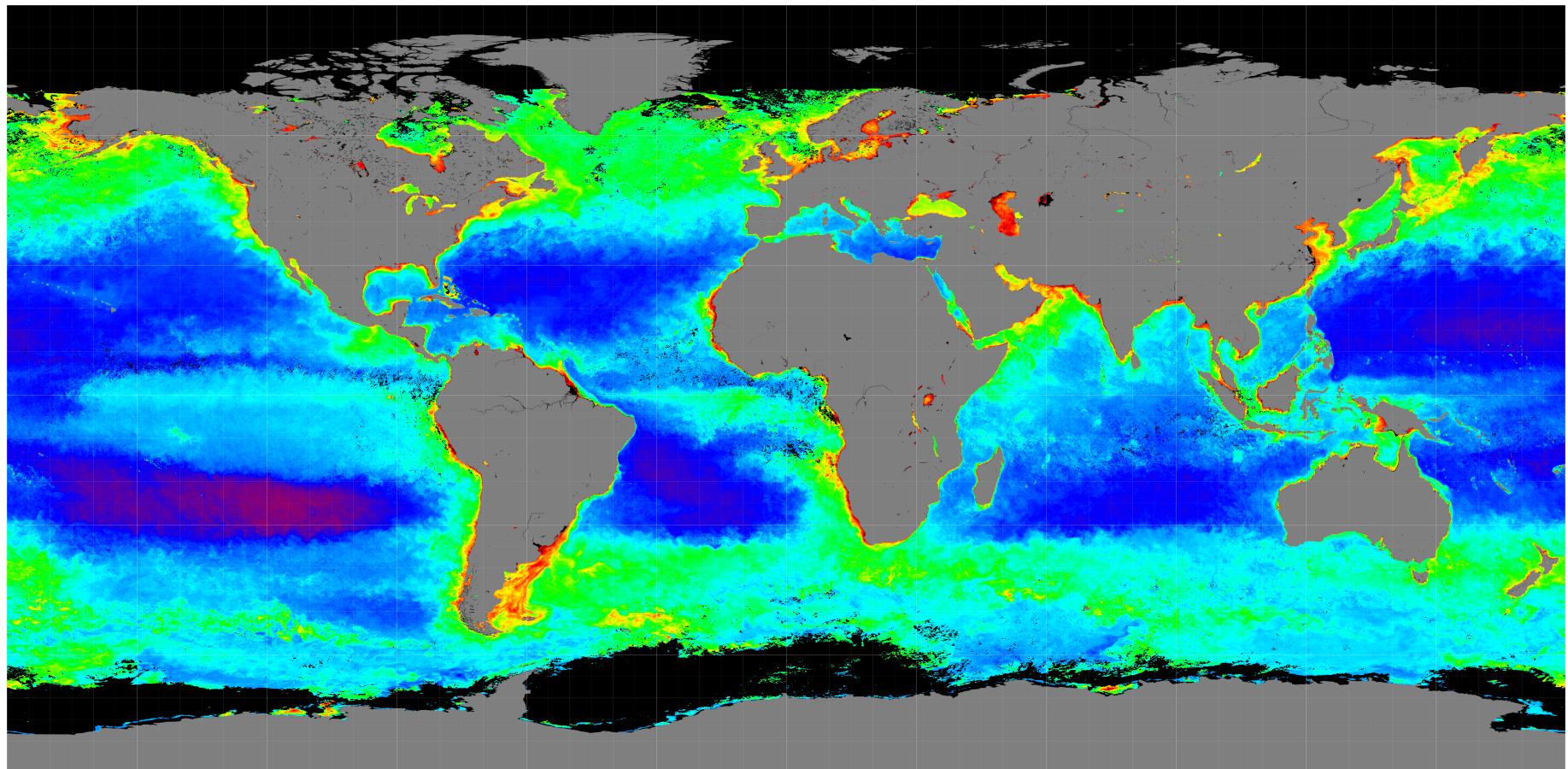
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MPD

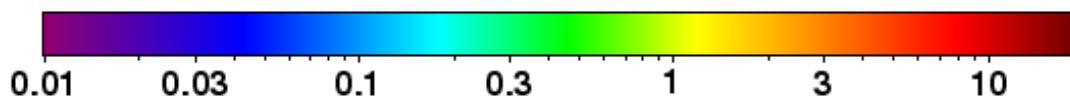
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MODISA Standard OC3 Chlorophyll

Fall 2002

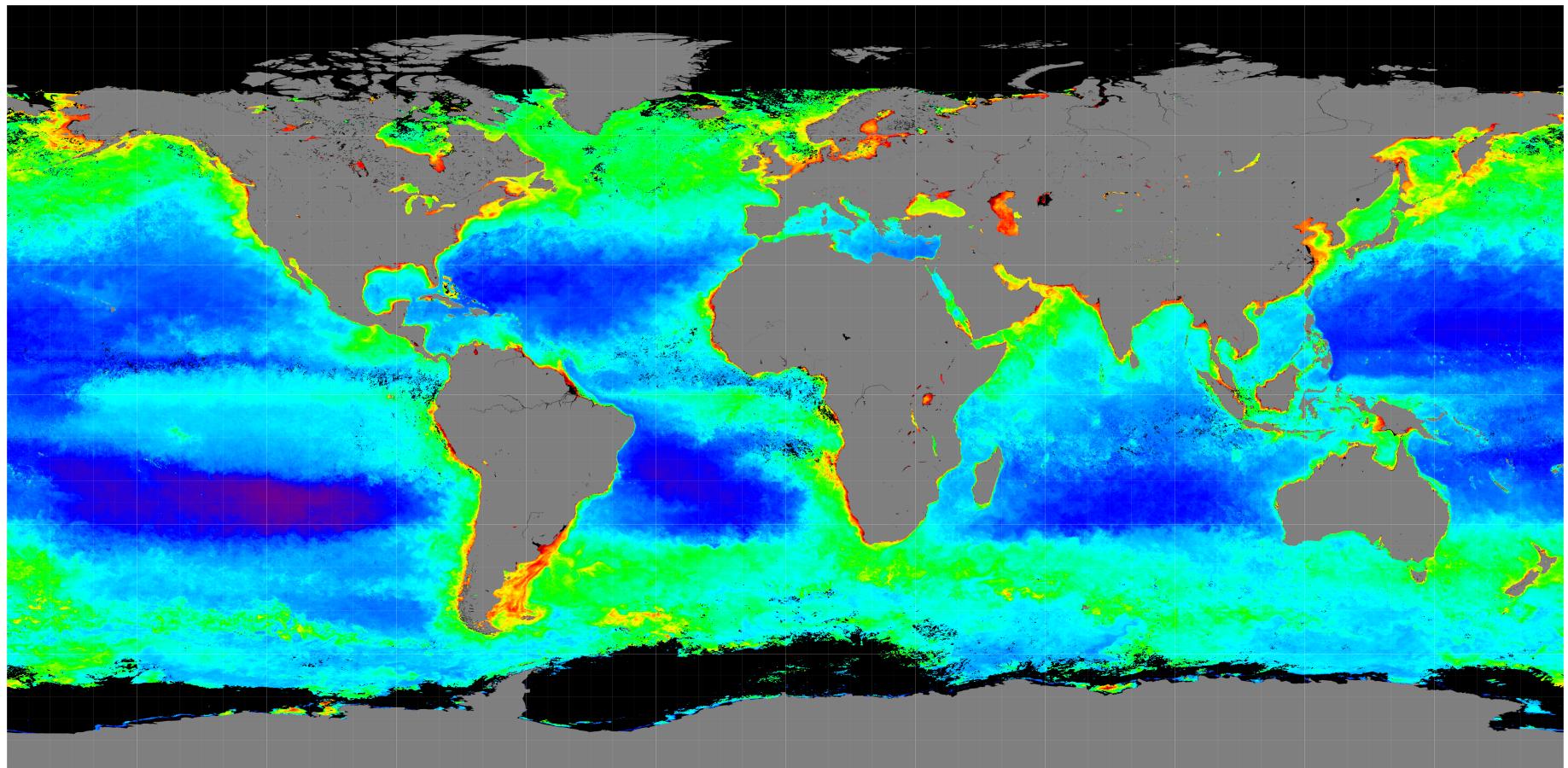


Chlorophyll a concentration (mg / m³)

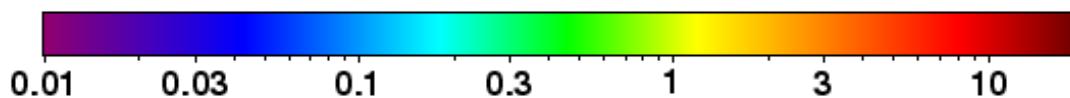


MODISA Evaluation OCI Chlorophyll

Fall 2002



Chlorophyll a concentration (mg / m³)

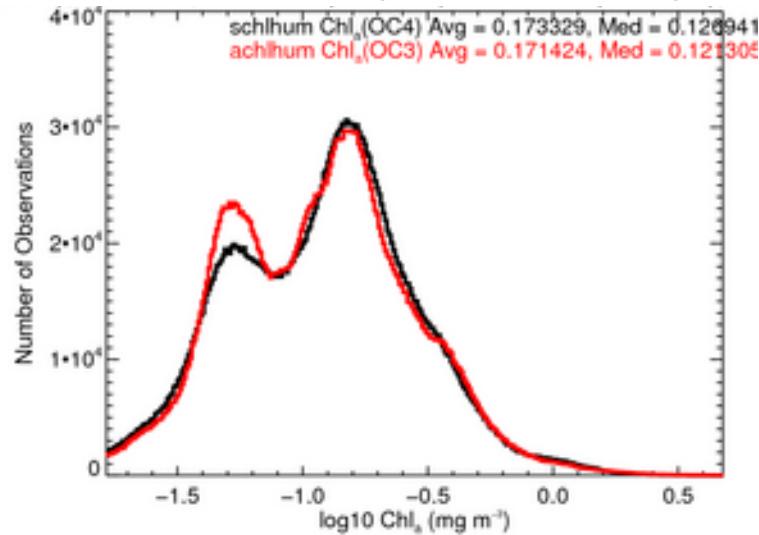


Improved Agreement in Chl Distribution

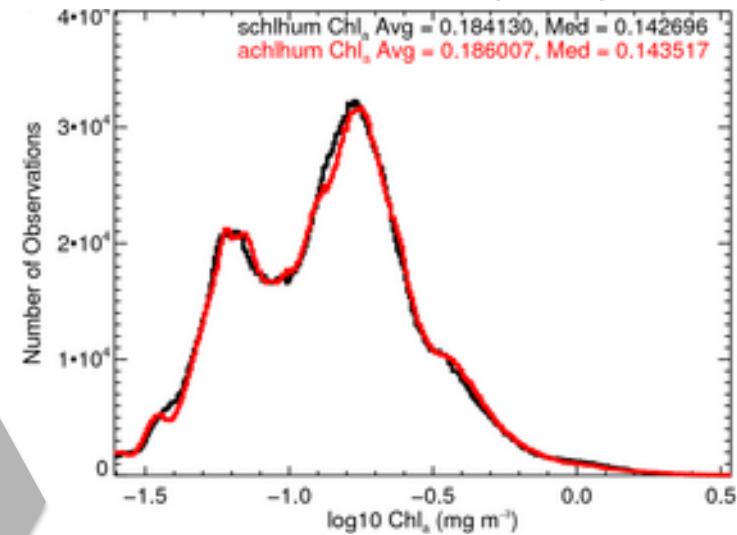
Deep-Water Monthly Mean, MODISA (red) & SeaWiFS (black)

Standard (OC3 & OC4)

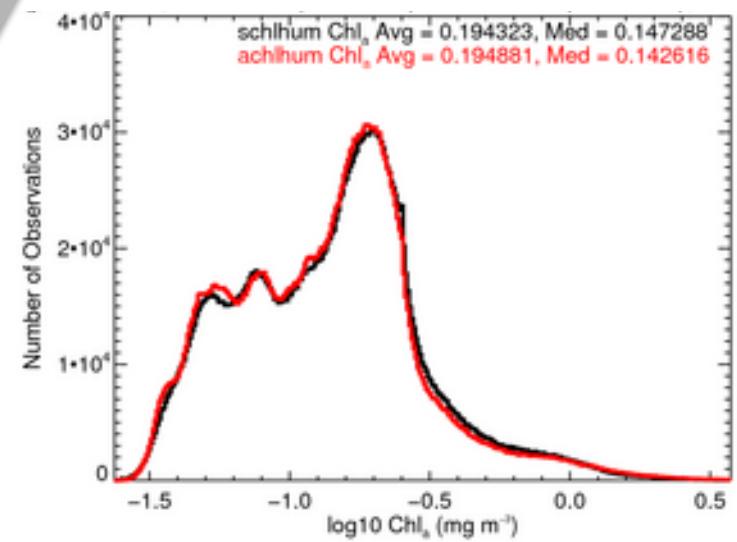
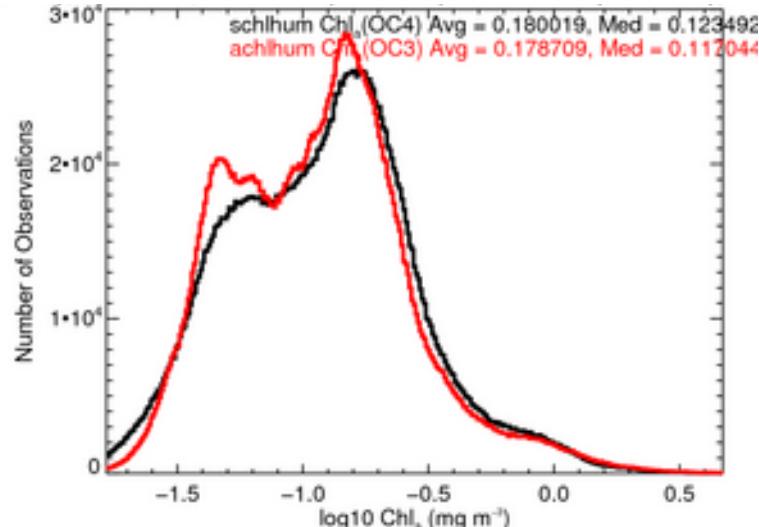
Fall
2002



Evaluation (OCI)



Fall
2010



Next multi-mission OC reprocessing (R2014.0) in progress

OCTS → SeaWiFS → CZCS → MERIS → MODISA → MODIST → VIIRS

Includes instrument and vicarious calibration updates

Incorporates algorithm refinements

revised ancillary ozone dataset normalized to SBUV record

chlorophyll algorithm enhanced with OCI

updates to PIC algorithm (Balch)

updates to PAR algorithm (Frouin)

etc.

Expands standard product suite

inherent optical properties (IOPs) and uncertainties

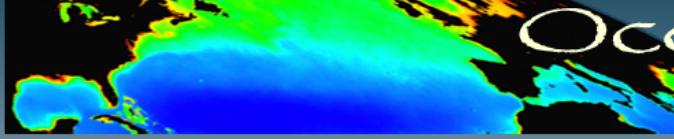
Changes data formats

moving to CF-compliant netCDF4

ATBD refresh

Algorithm Theoretical Basis Documents

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Algorithm Theoretical Basis Documents (ATBD)

Chlorophyll A

The operational algorithm for deriving near-surface chlorophyll-a concentration from SeaWiFS imagery was updated using in situ data from NOMAD. The algorithm was constructed from data archived in SeaBASS and was developed for specific geographic regions and were collected by participants in the SeaWiFS validation campaign and international collaborators. The algorithm uses a linear transformation to convert the transformed geophysical variable to a log-transformed reflectance value, which is consistent with past versions of OC. Each seaWiFS image contains a product chlor_a. The default algorithm varies slightly from the standard algorithm, and the default chlorophyll is also used for any intermediate reflectance corrections).

Particulate Organic Carbon

SeaWiFS Algorithm Theoretical Basis Document

The purpose of this algorithm is to calculate the optical depth of particulate organic carbon (n_{Lw}) at specific wavelengths. These wavelength bands are defined by the instrument, the details of which depend on the sensor type (SeaWiFS and MODIS). For each of these three sensors, the algorithm uses a set of pre-defined parameters to calculate the optical depth of particulate organic carbon.

(Non CMS Sites: [Chlorophyll A](#) | [Particulate Organic Carbon](#))

New Vers: [Chlorophyll A](#) | [Particulate Organic Carbon](#)

chlorophyll a | Ocean Color

oceancolordev.domain.pub/cms/atbd/chlor_a/html/mainpage.html#sec_1

OceanColor WEB

Legacy Website still available

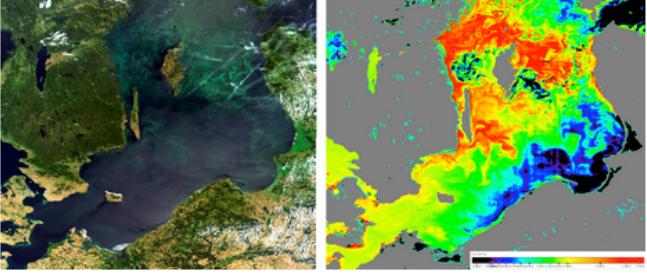
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chlorophyll a

1. Algorithm Summary Overview

chlorophyll a (chlor_a)



Natural RGB image (left) and sample corresponding chlorophyll a concentration (right)

The operational algorithm for deriving near-surface chlorophyll-a concentrations (OC; O'Reilly et al. 2000 sec_8.2) was updated using in situ data from NOMAD version 2. NOMAD is a publicly available, global bio-optical data set constructed from data archived in Seabass. The data span a wide range of water types from coastal and offshore regions and were collected by participants in the NASA Ocean Biology & Biogeochemistry Program and by voluntary and international collaborators. The algorithm form describes the polynomial best fit that relates the log-transformed geophysical variable to a log-transformed ratio of remote-sensing reflectances. The polynomial form is consistent with past versions of OC. Each sensor is assigned a default chlorophyll algorithm, which can be output as product chl_a. The default algorithm varies by sensor due to limitations on the available spectral bands. The default chlorophyll is also used for any intermediate calculations which require chlorophyll (e.g., f/Q bi-directional reflectance corrections).

2. Algorithm Framework Description

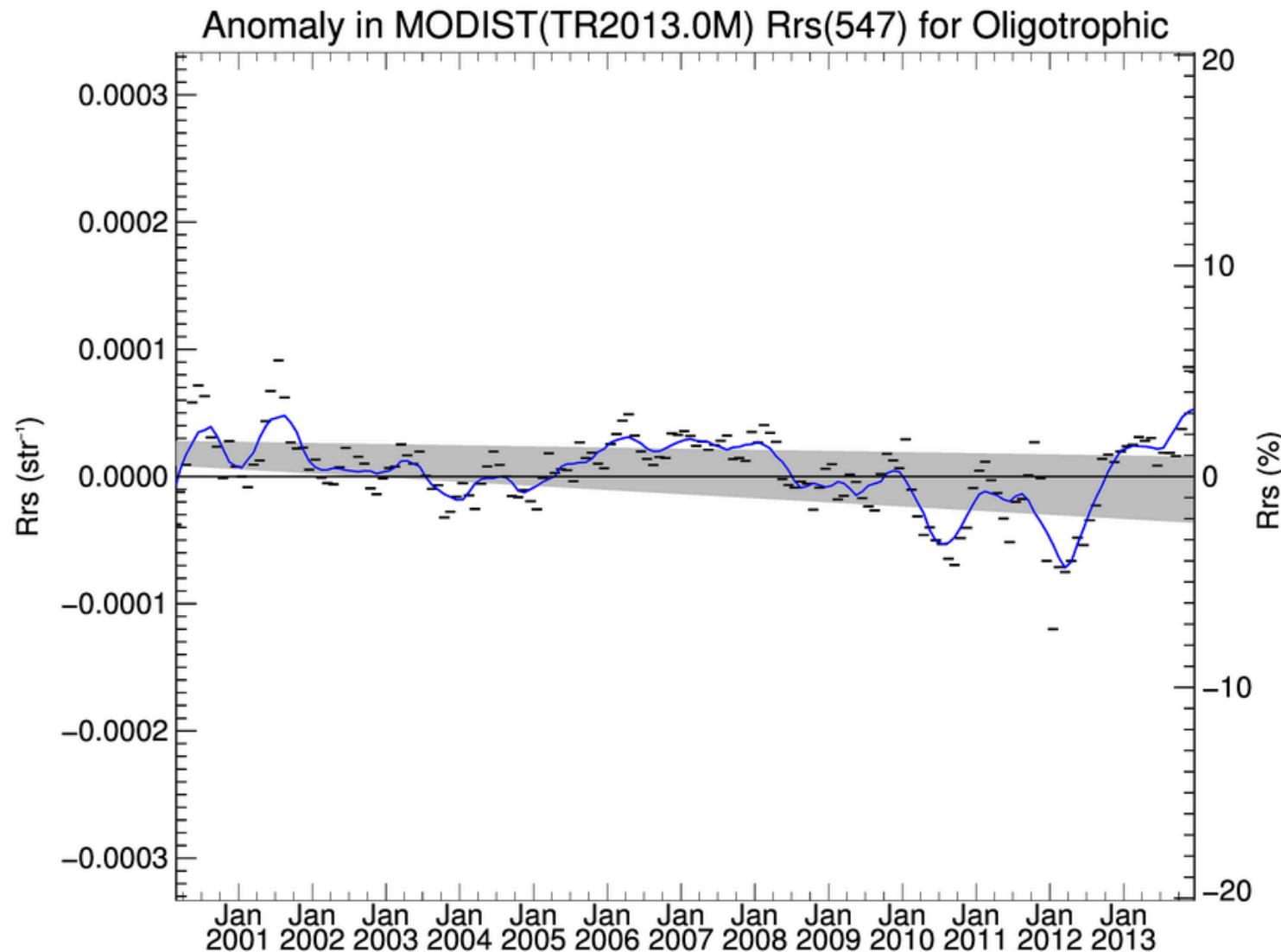
... flowchart and description of flowchart ... equations ...

requirements: polynomials bisect the full dynamic range of the development data set $OC_4 = OC_4E = OC_4O = OC_3S = OC_3M = OC_3C = OC_3E = OC_3O = OC_2S = OC_2M = OC_2E = OC_2O$

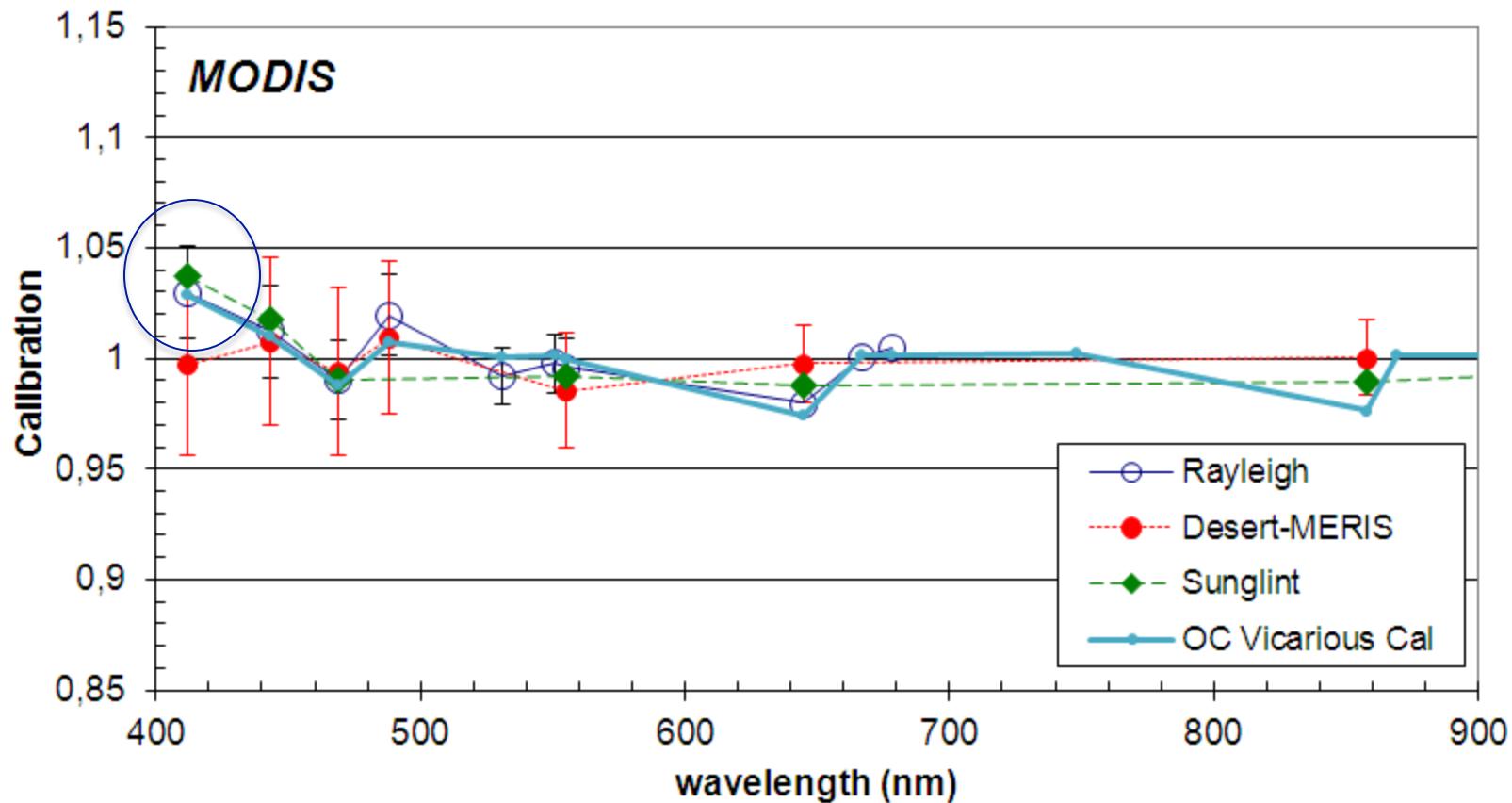


Thank You

MODIST Clear-Water Rrs(547) Anomaly

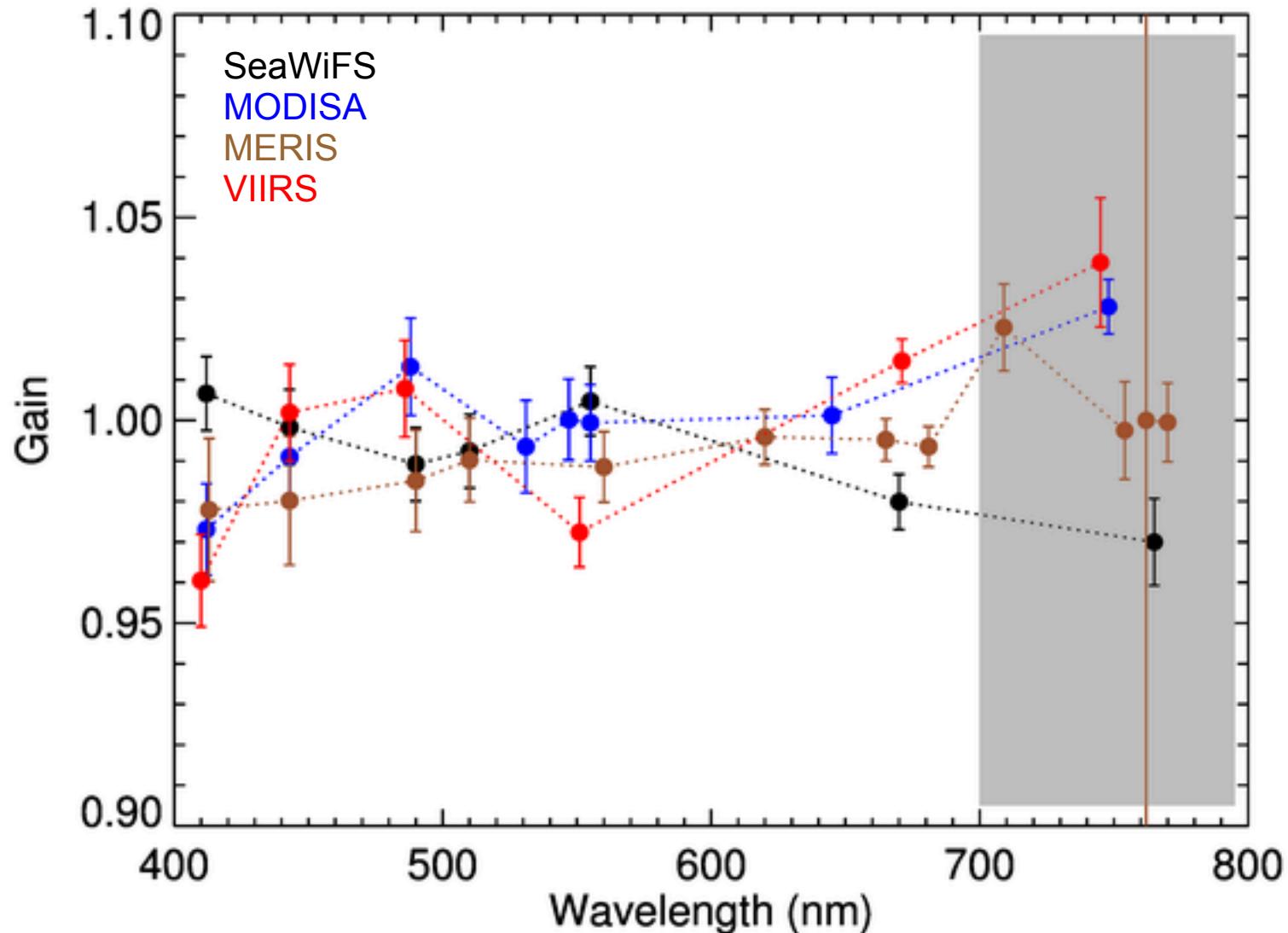


Vicarious Calibration – is it the instrument?



NASA-derived Vicarious Gains

consistent processing algorithms and vicarious calibration methods and sources



MODISA Temporal Calibration Approach

MCST final calibration for Collection 6 uses Earth view data

- lunar calibration + desert observations for 412 and 443

- largely reproduces previous SeaWiFS cross-cal results

But still some issues for ocean color

- significant residual time-trend at 412 (due to scan-edge changes)

- residual cross-scan and striping artifacts

Additional cross-scan correction developed by OBPG

- relative to MCST C6 desert-based calibration

- based on contemporaneous Aqua L3 15-day Rrs

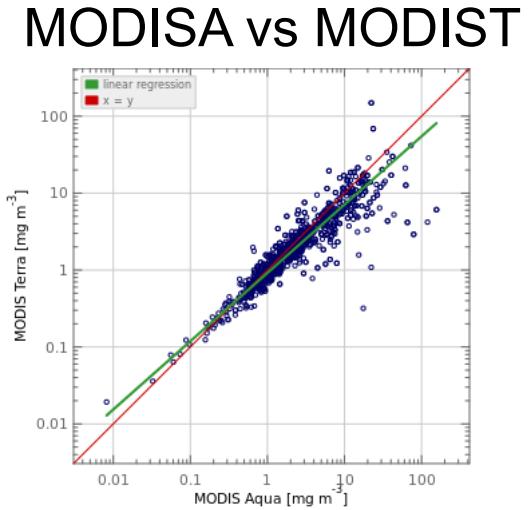
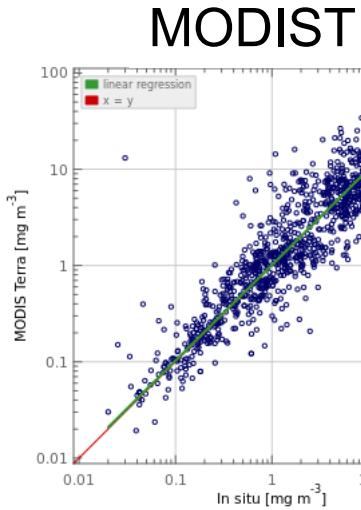
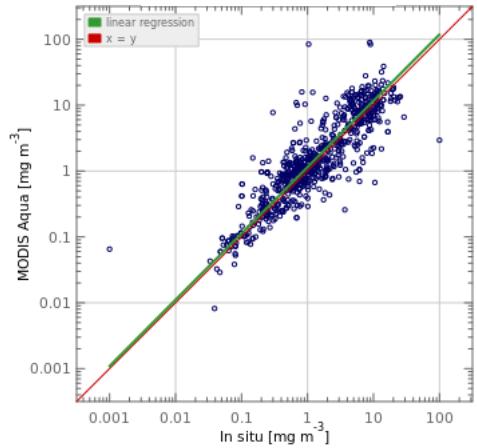
- derive time-varying RVS shape per detector & mirror-side

- applied to all OC bands 412-678

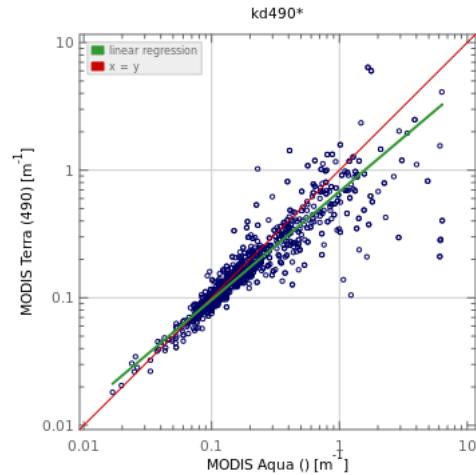
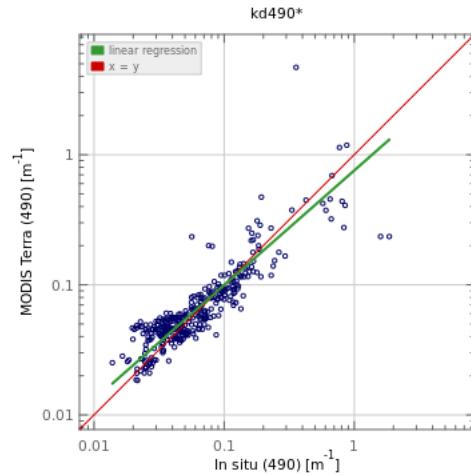
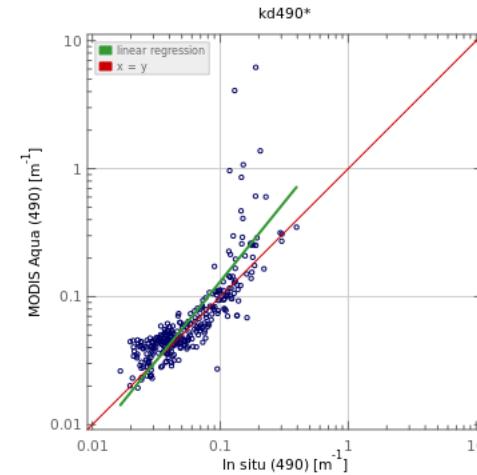
See talk by Gerhard Meister on Thursday

Derived Products in Good Agreement with Field Measurement and Between Sensors

Chlorophyll



Diffuse Attenuation

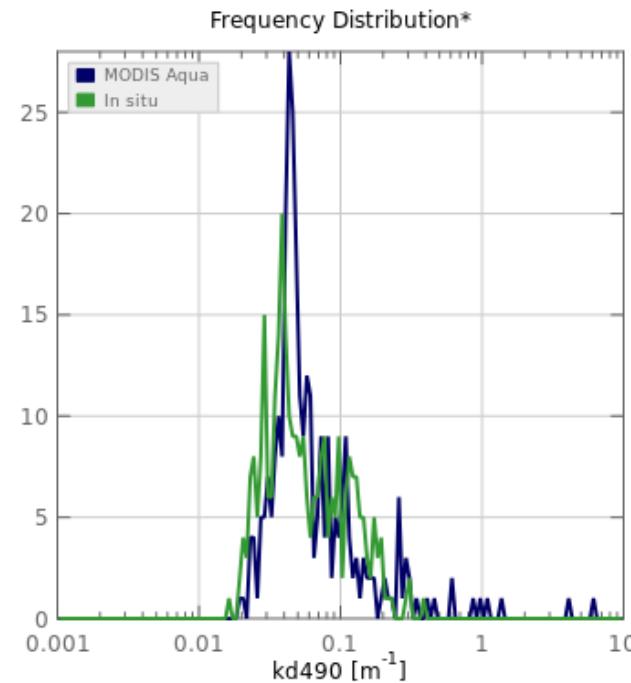
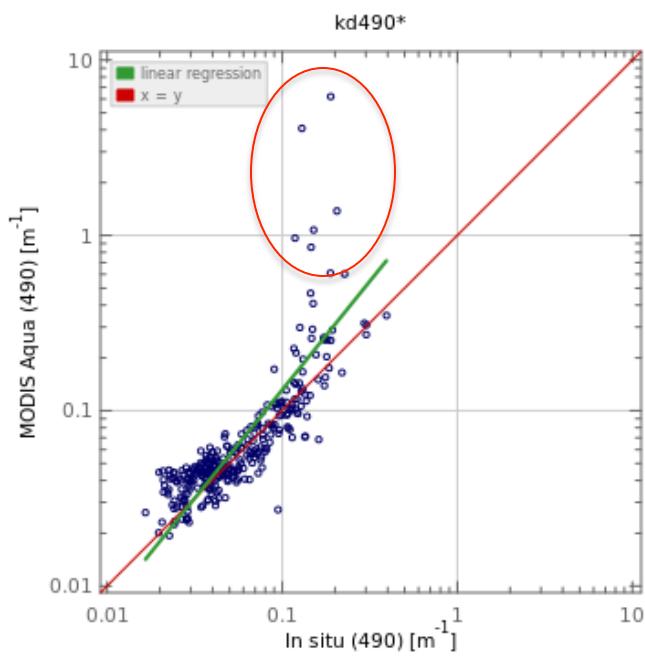


MODISA (R2013.1) Diffuse Attenuation

Product Name	MODIS Aqua Range	In situ Range	#	Best Fit Slope*	Best Fit Intercept*	R ² *	Median Ratio	Abs % Difference	RMSE*
kd490	0.01936, 6.19469	0.01655, 0.39400	296	1.23765	0.35640	0.72581	1.10898	19.91821	0.21023

* statistical calculations based on log10

The linear regression algorithm has been changed to reduced major axis.



Mean APD 20%, Mean Bias 10%, R² 0.7