



# An insitu-model-aircraft cross validation strategy for SMOS

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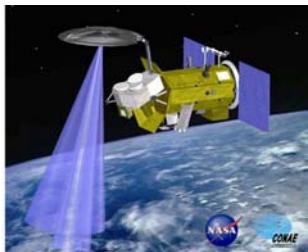
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**SMOS** (Soil Moisture and Ocean Salinity)  
launch 9 Sept. 2009 40km 3days; synthetic aperture radiometer



**AQUARIUS** (Ocean Salinity and soil moisture)  
launch May 2010 ~100km 7days; “traditional” active passive

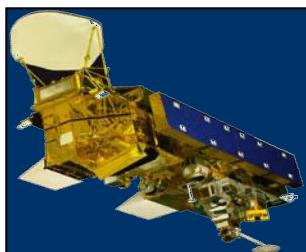


**SMAP** (Soil Moisture Active Passive)  
launch ~2013 40-10km 3days; high resolution active



## **ASCAT** (Advanced Scatterometer)

launched 2006 50km 1-3days; c-band microwave scatterometer



## **AMSR-E** (Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer for the Earth observing system)

launched 2002 25km 1-3days; “traditional” c-band radiometer



## **WindSAT** (Wind Satellite)

launched 2003 Same as AMSR-E but 6:30am/pm overpass time  
rather than 1:30am/pm



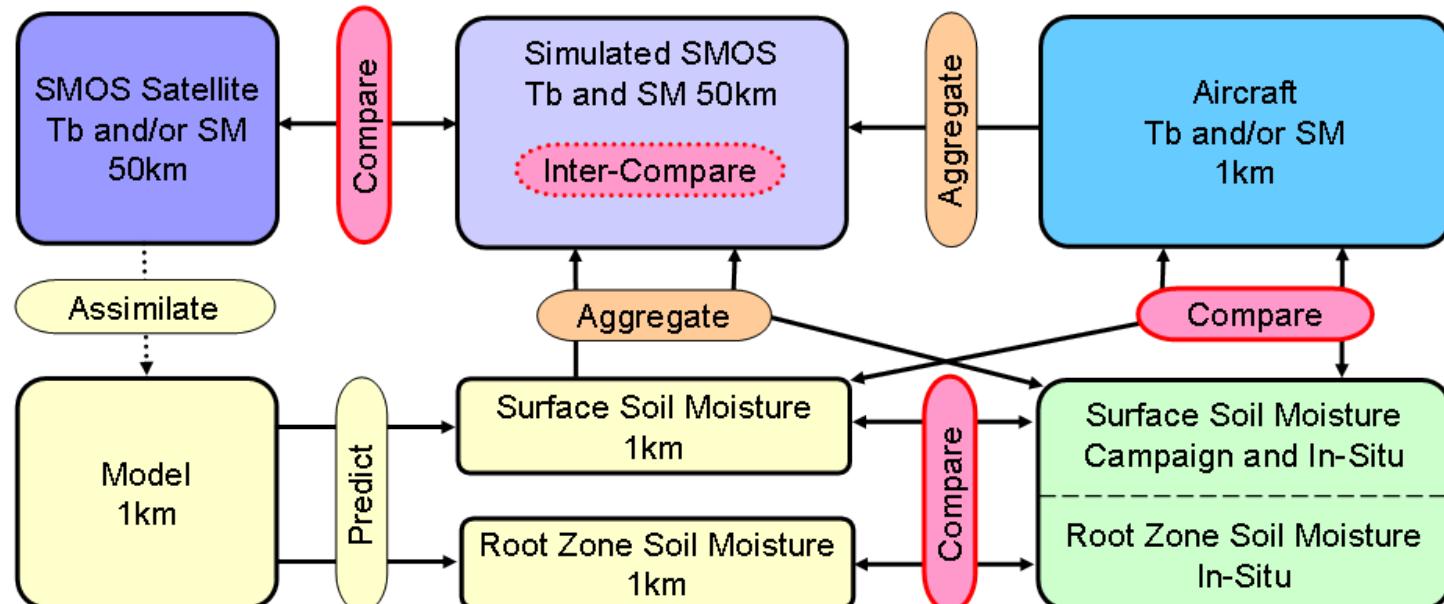
## **ASAR** (Advanced Synthetic Aperture Radar)

launched 2004 1km ~10days; c-band microwave scatterometer

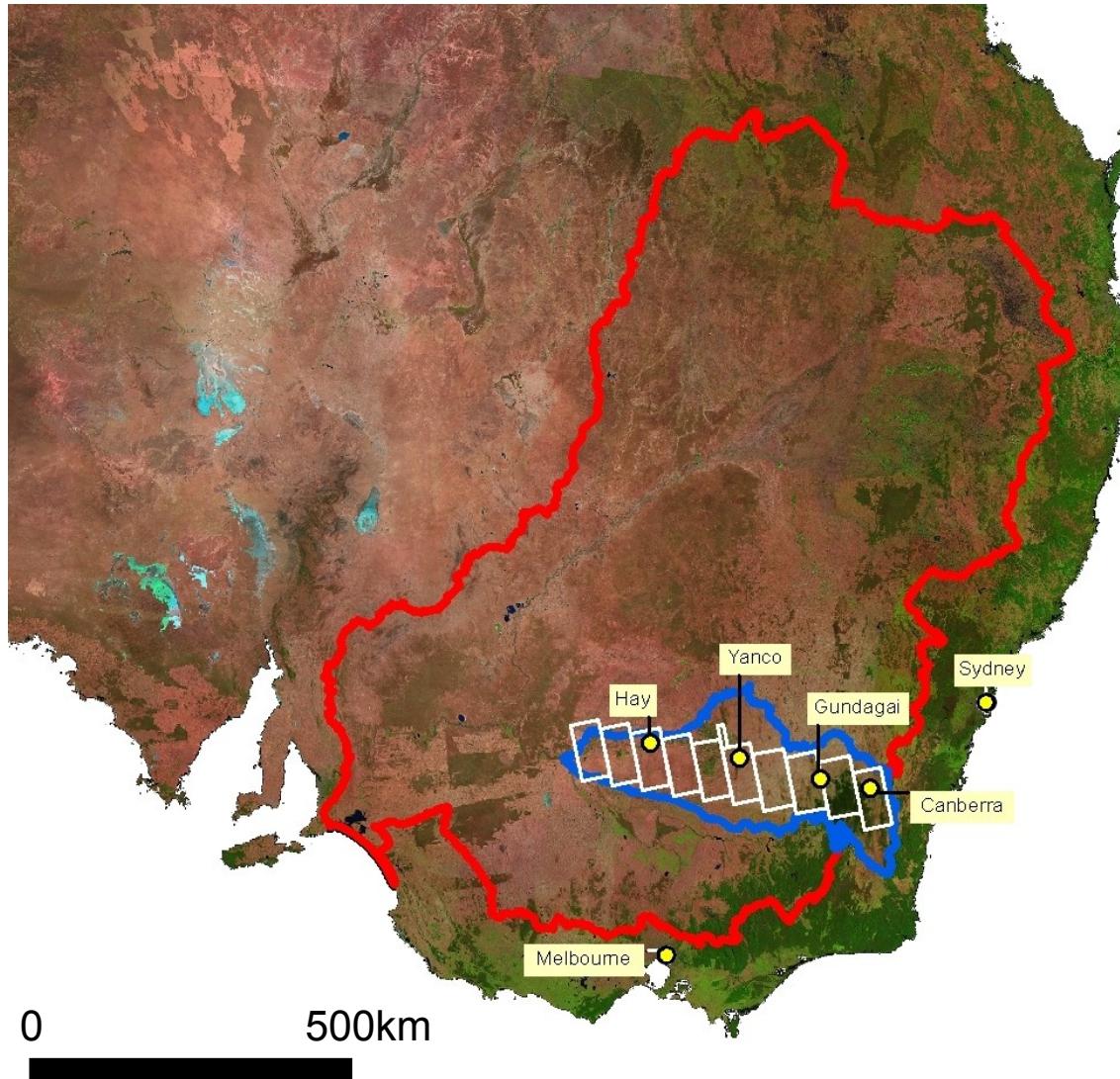
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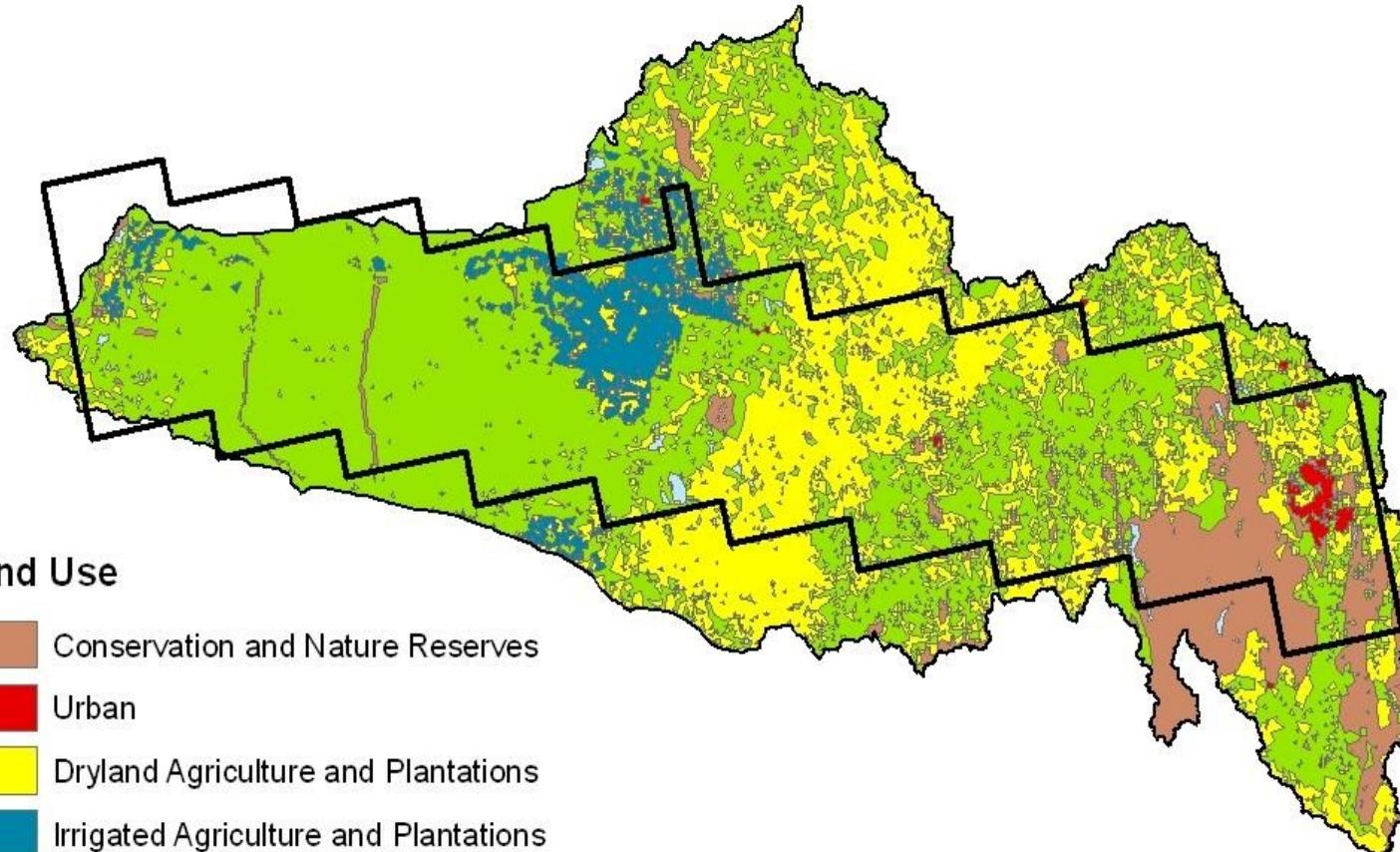
### Satellite inter-comparison



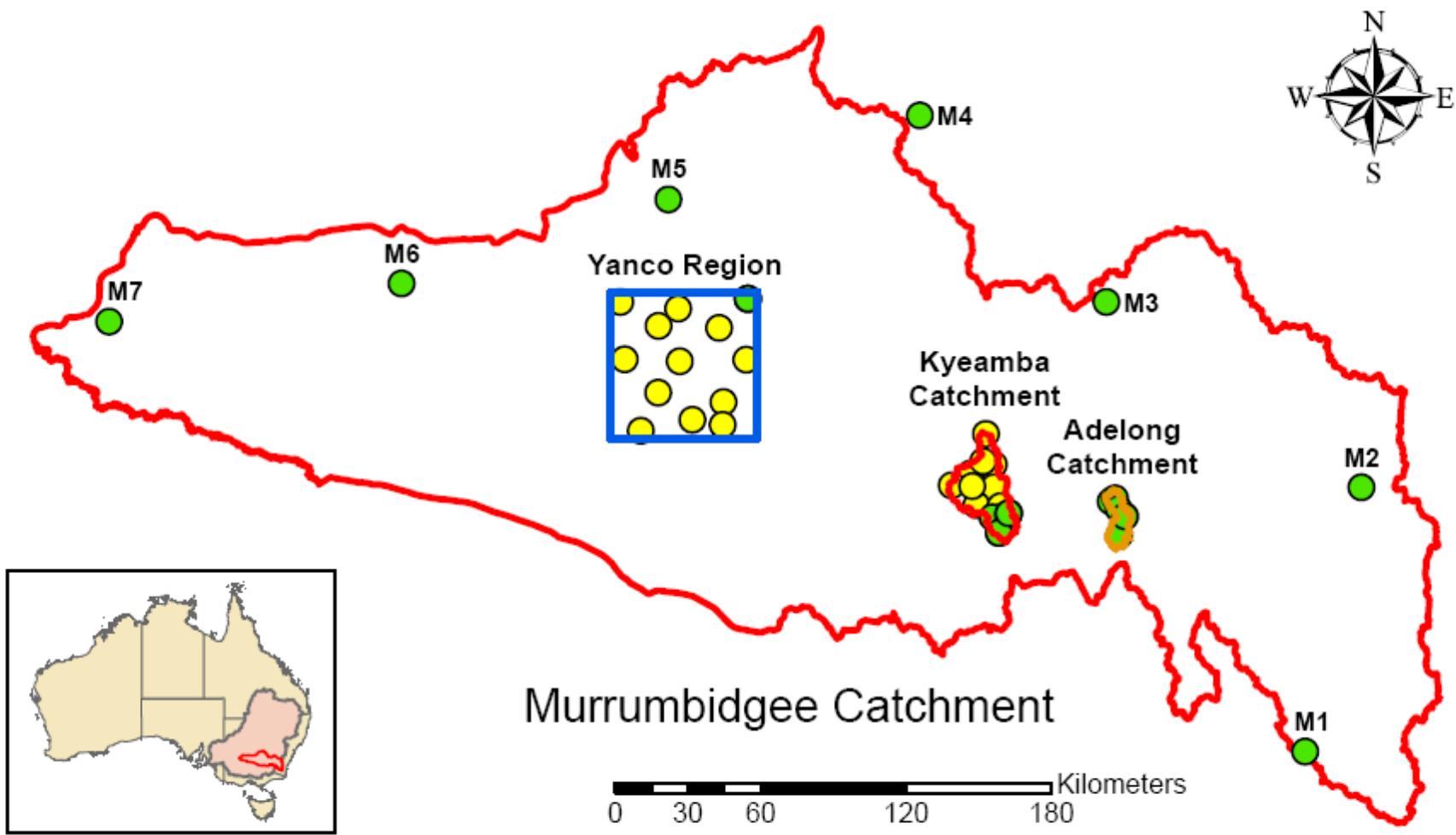
# The Murrumbidgee: A demonstration test-bed



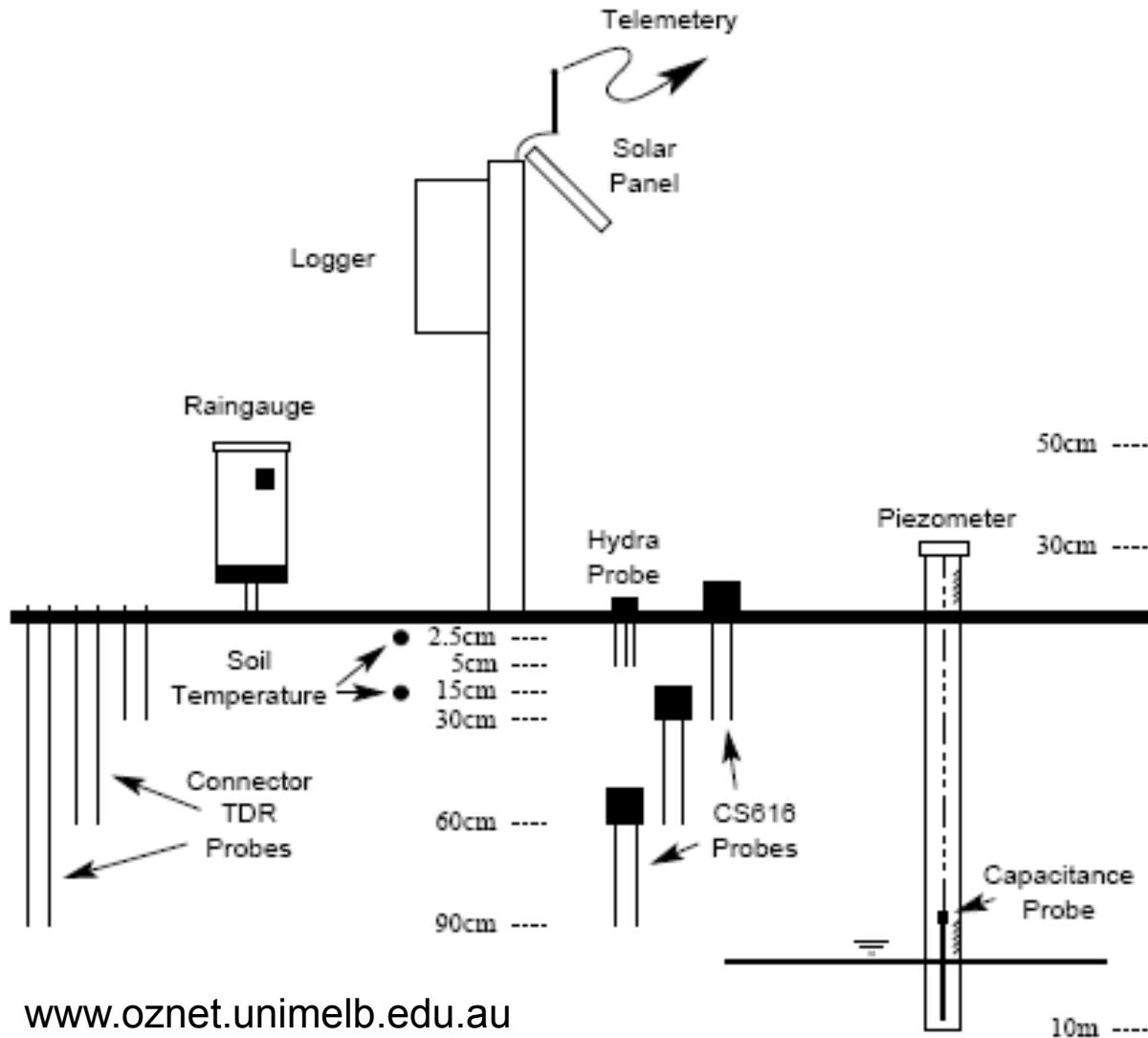
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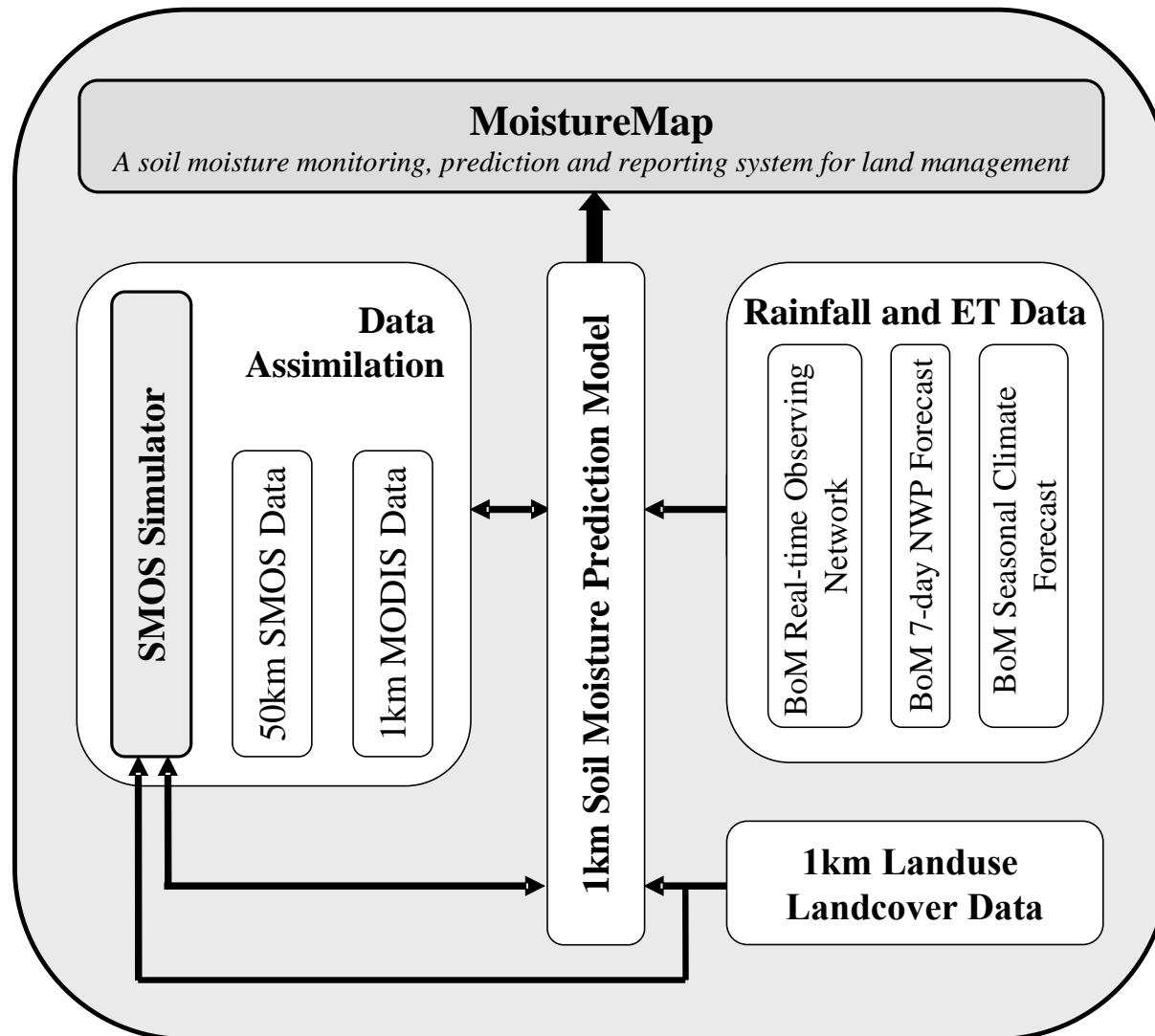
# OzNet monitoring network



[www.oznet.unimelb.edu.au](http://www.oznet.unimelb.edu.au)

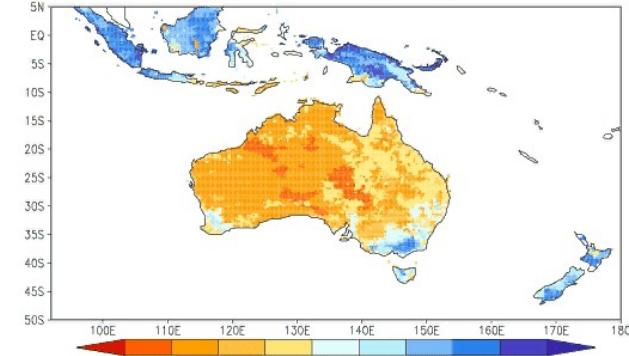


# MoistureMap: An overview ...

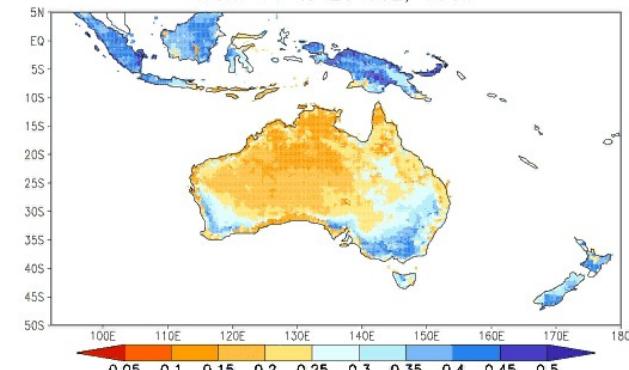


## SMMR Assimilation

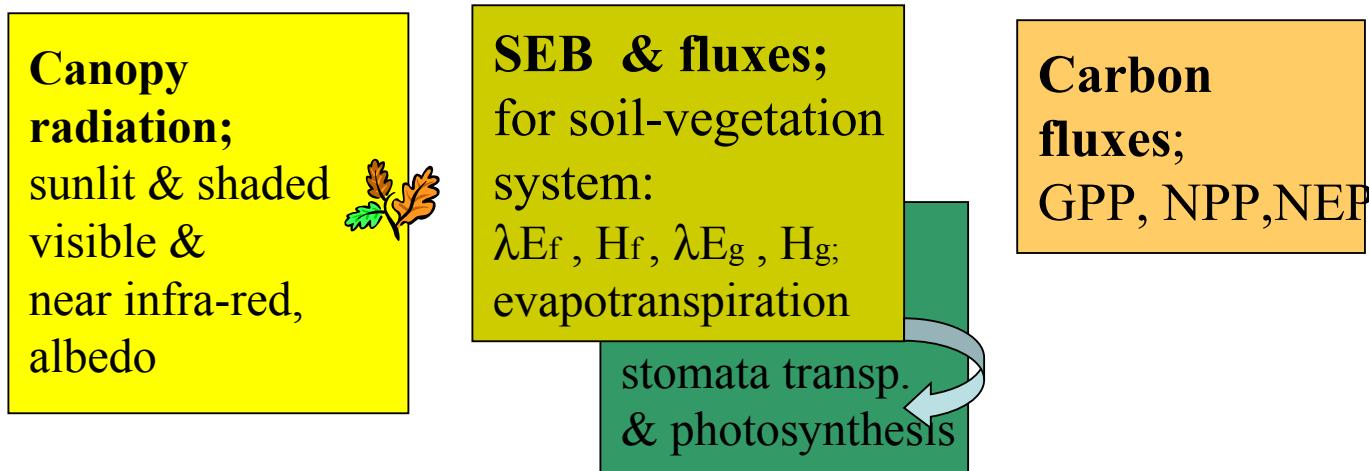
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Walker et al. (2003), MODSIM



**soil temp.**

**soil moisture**

**soil respiration**

**snow**

**carbon pools; allocation & flow**

**CASA-CNP**

**Developed at present**

**vegetation dynamics/disturbance**

**Future development**

# Airborne sensing instruments



**Thermal Imager**

**6 x Skye VIS/NIR/SWIR Spectrometers**



**R/G/B/NIR**



**Video**

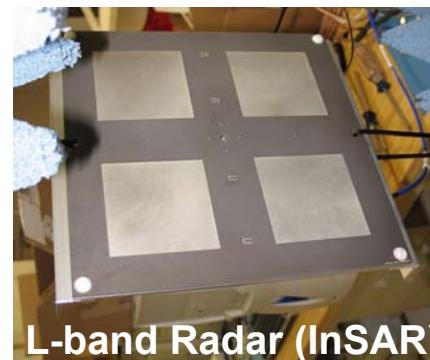


**Hyperspectral**  
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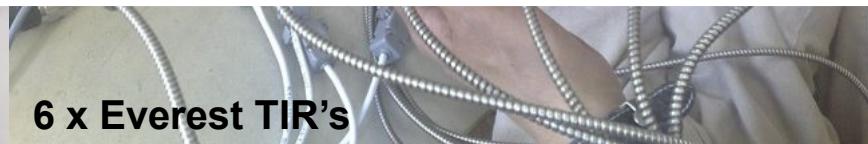
**21MPixel Camera**



**L-band Radar (InSAR)**



**Full Waveform Laser Scanner**

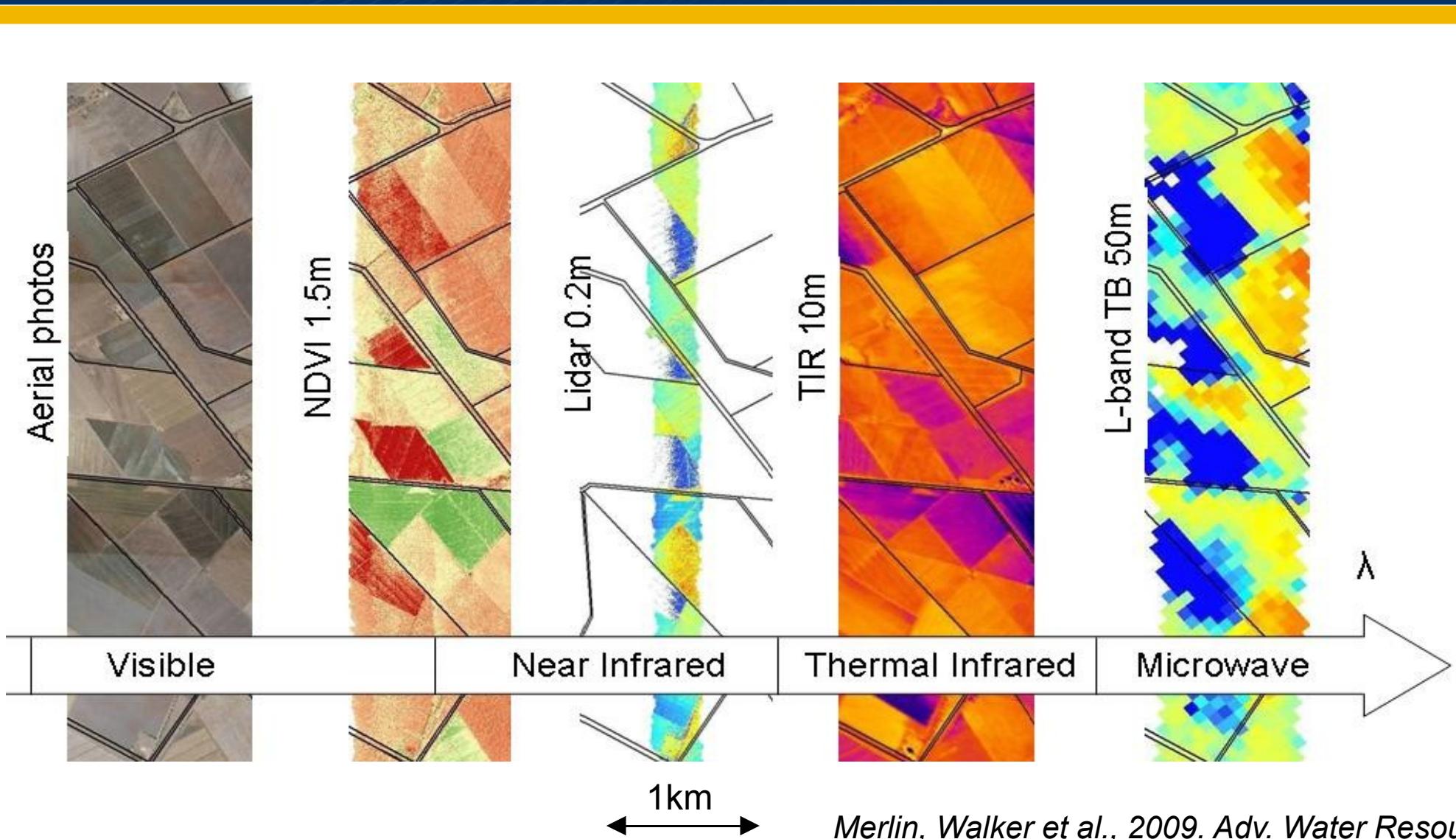


**6 x Everest TIR's**

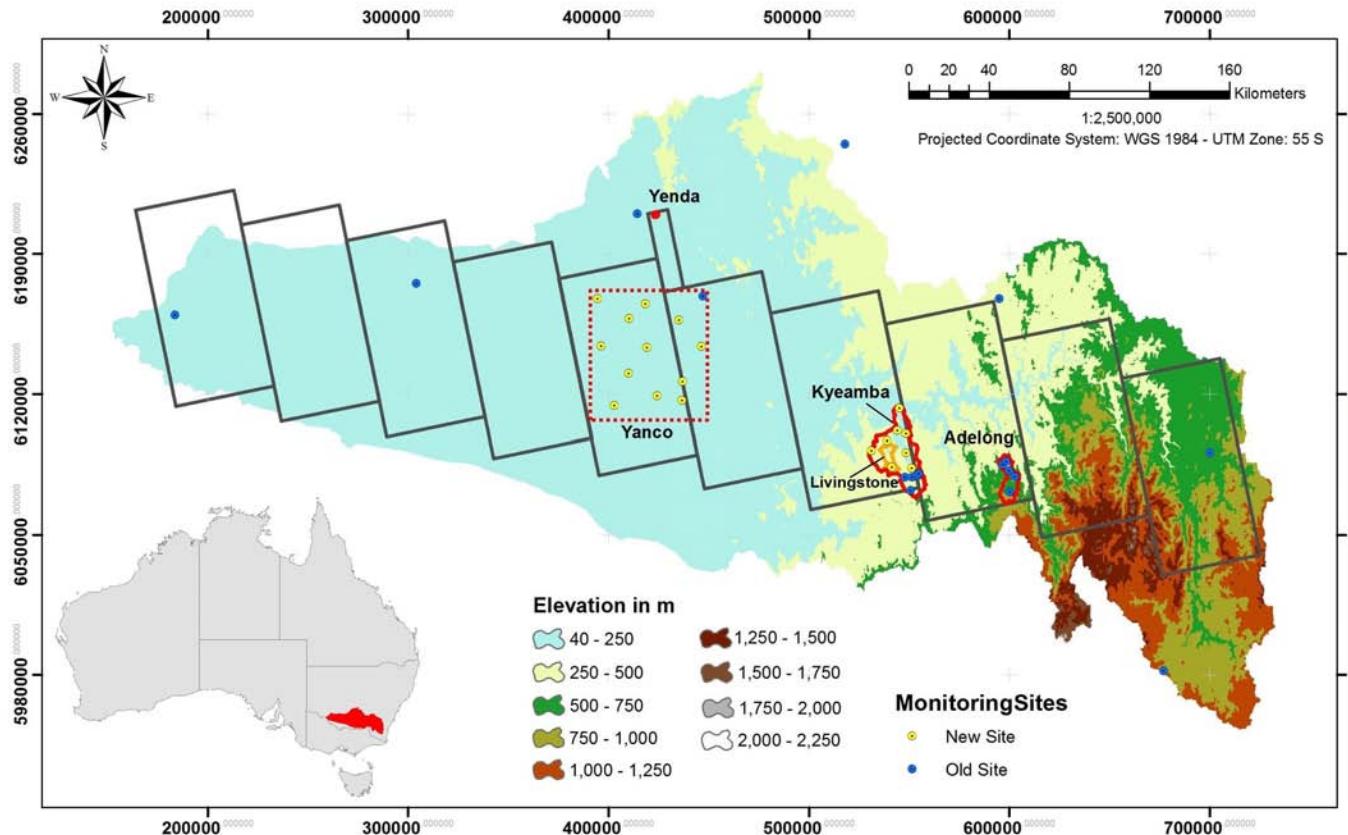


**L-band Radiometer**

# Multi-spectral data: example



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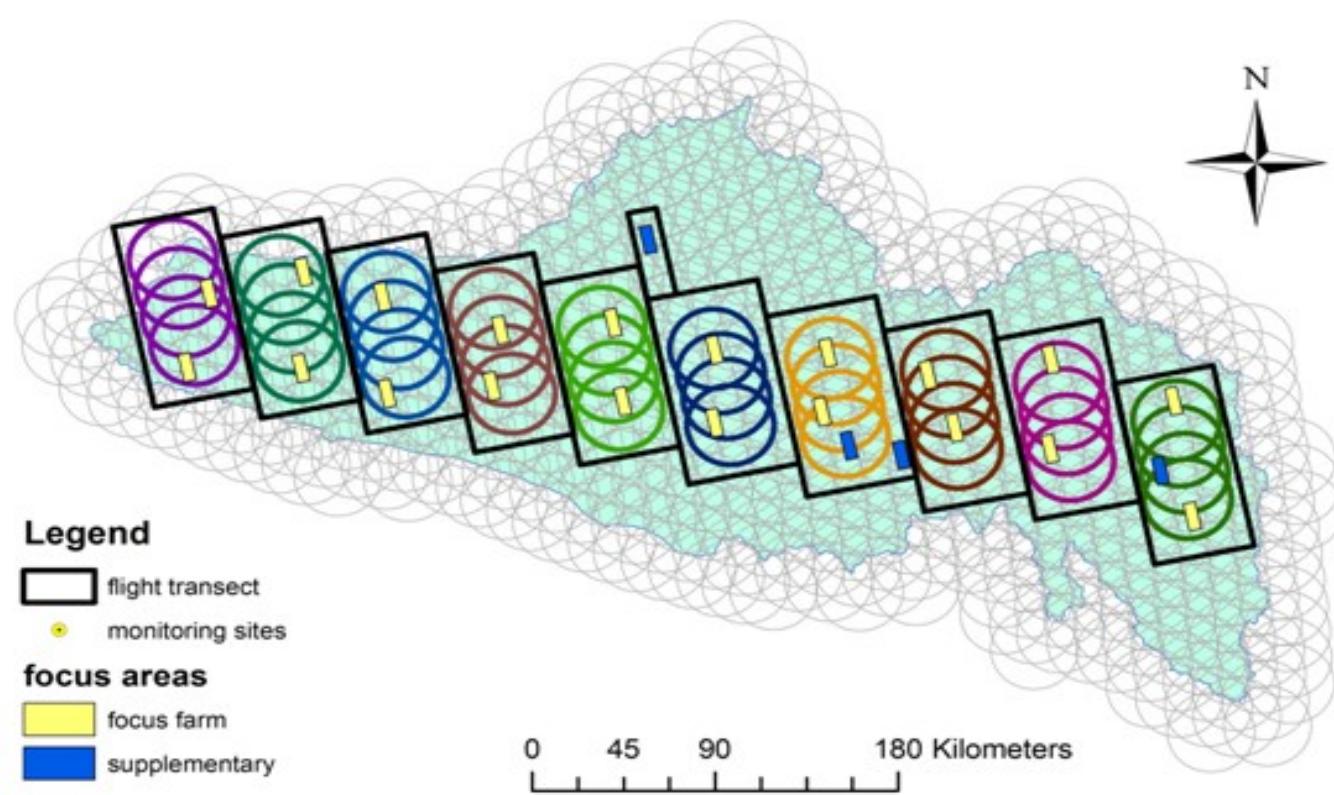


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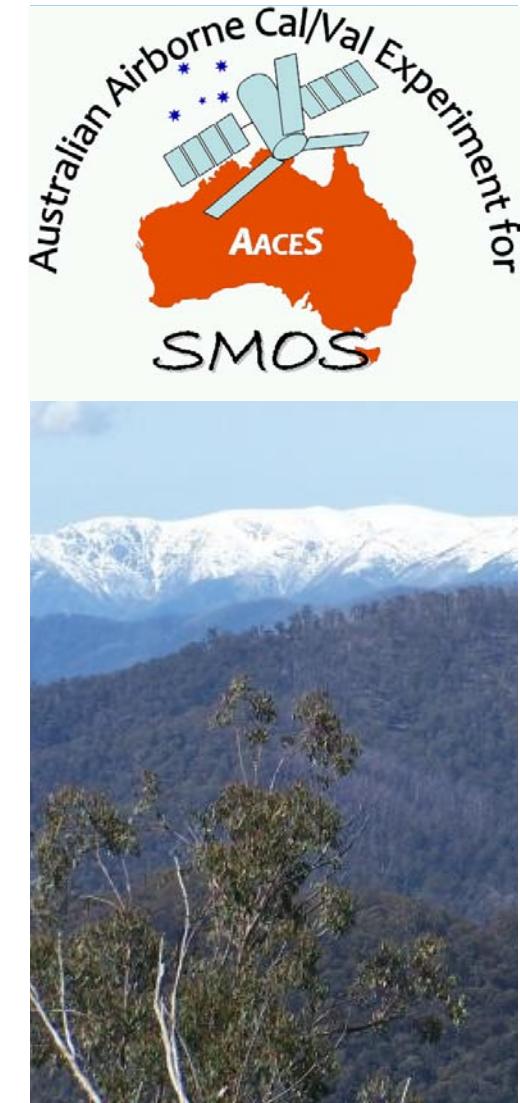


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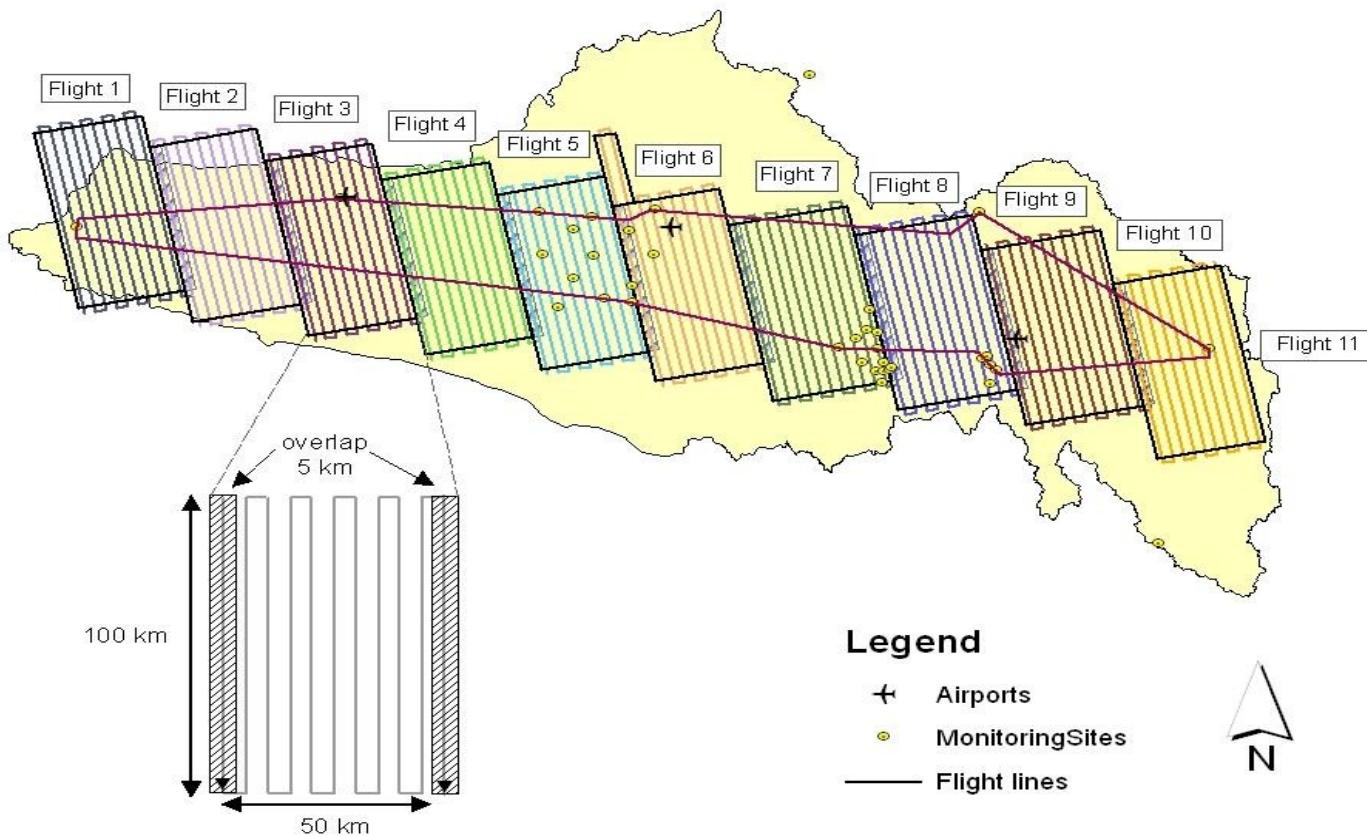


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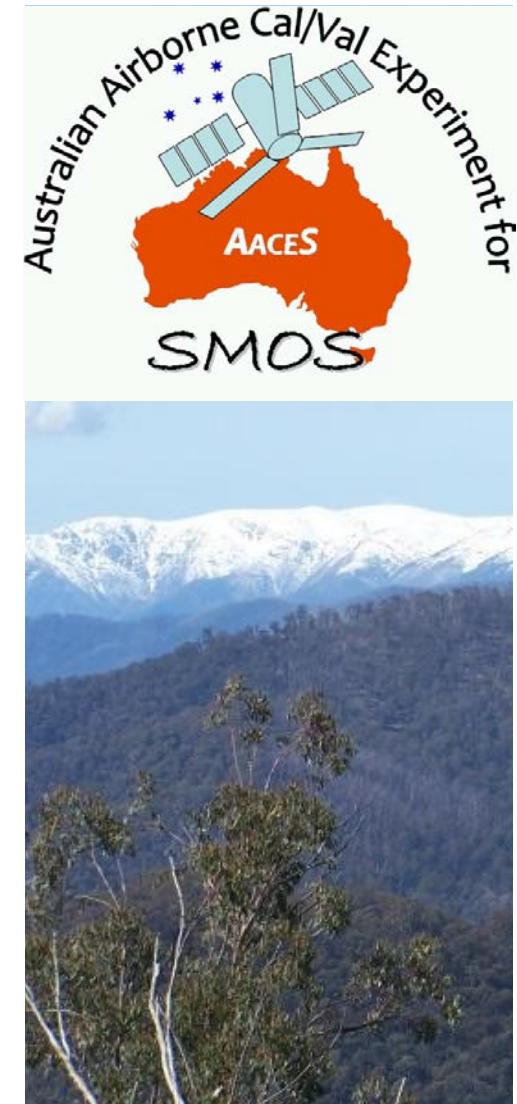


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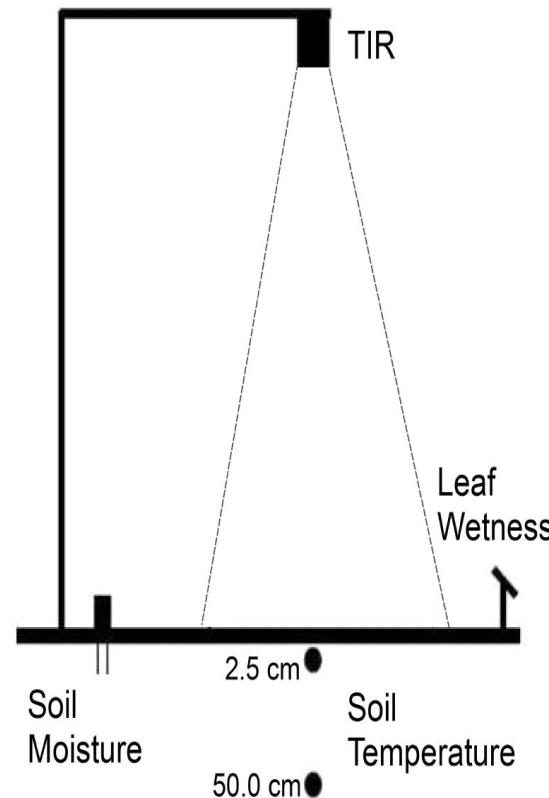
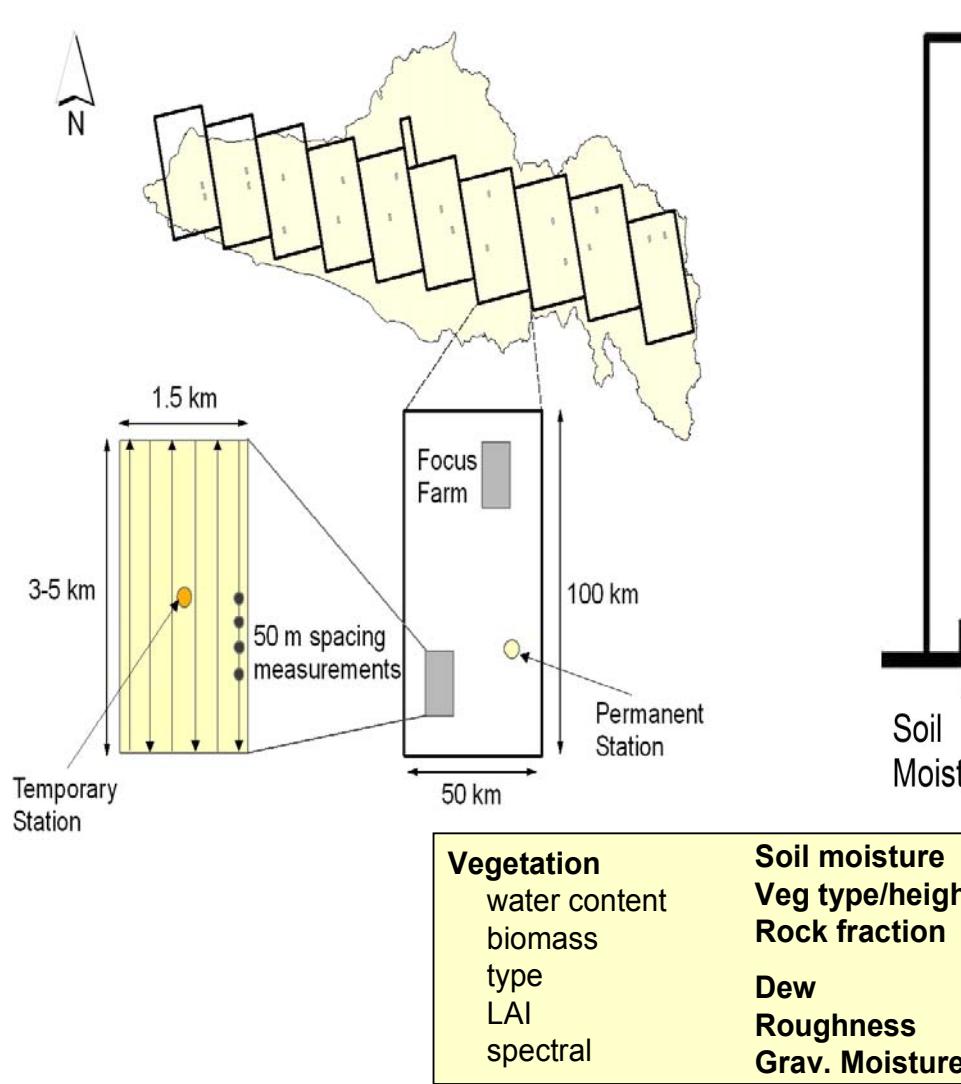


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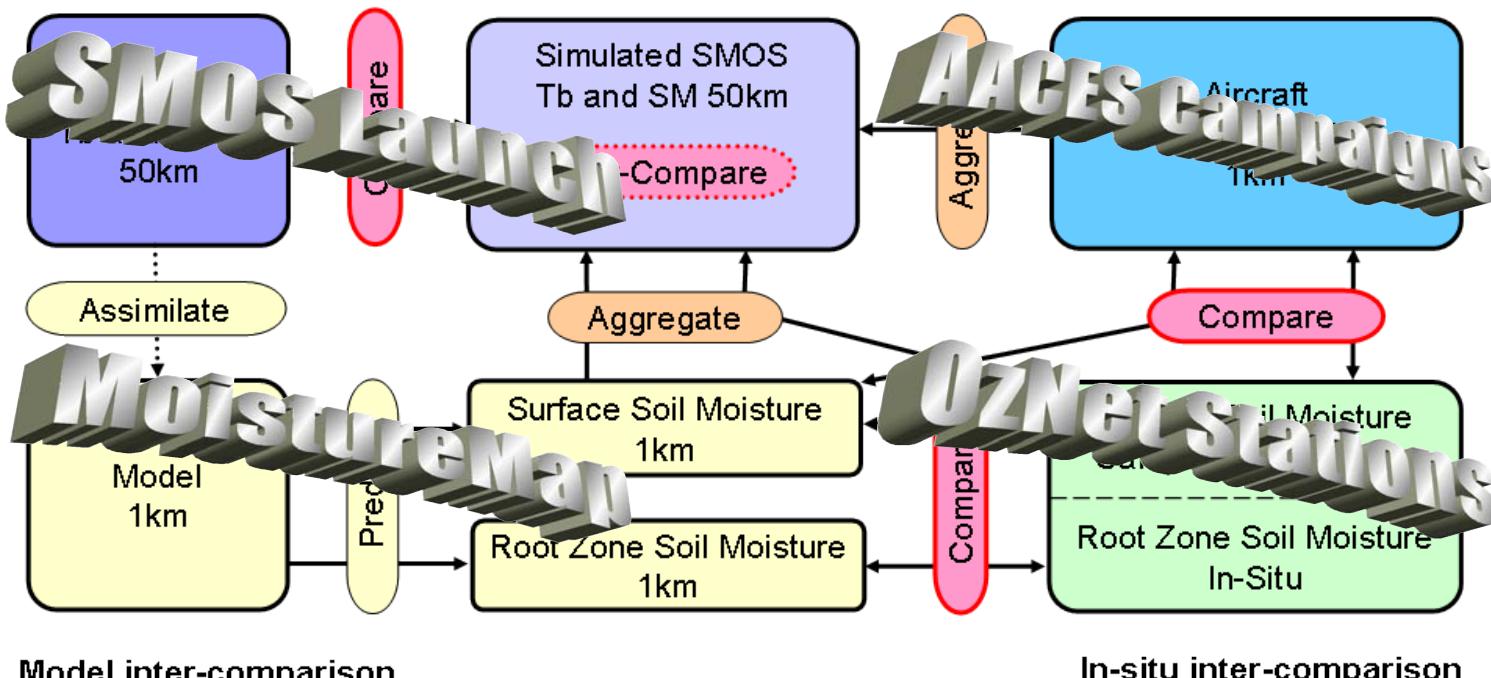
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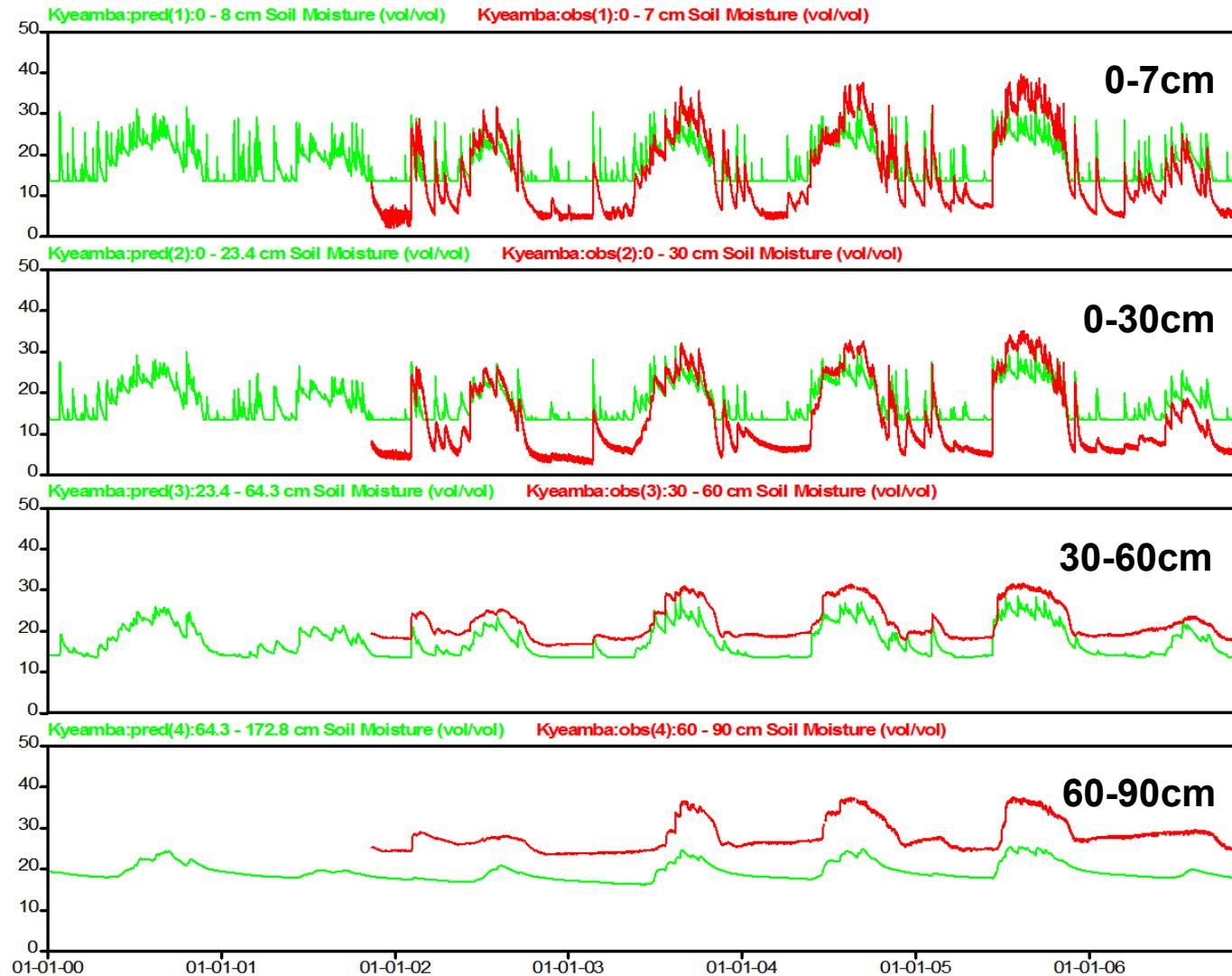
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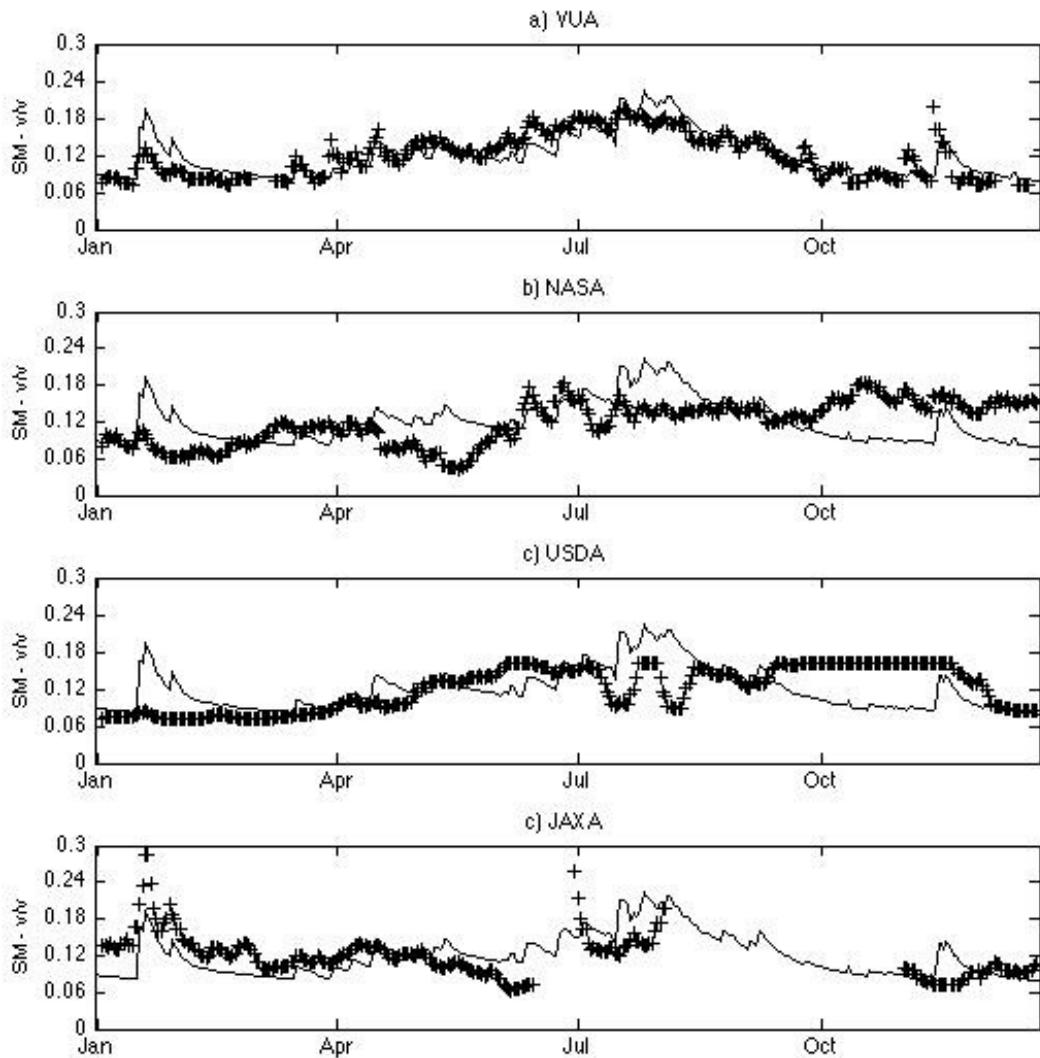
# CABLE validation: Kyeamba



Model  
Stn Obs



# AMSR-E validation: Adelong

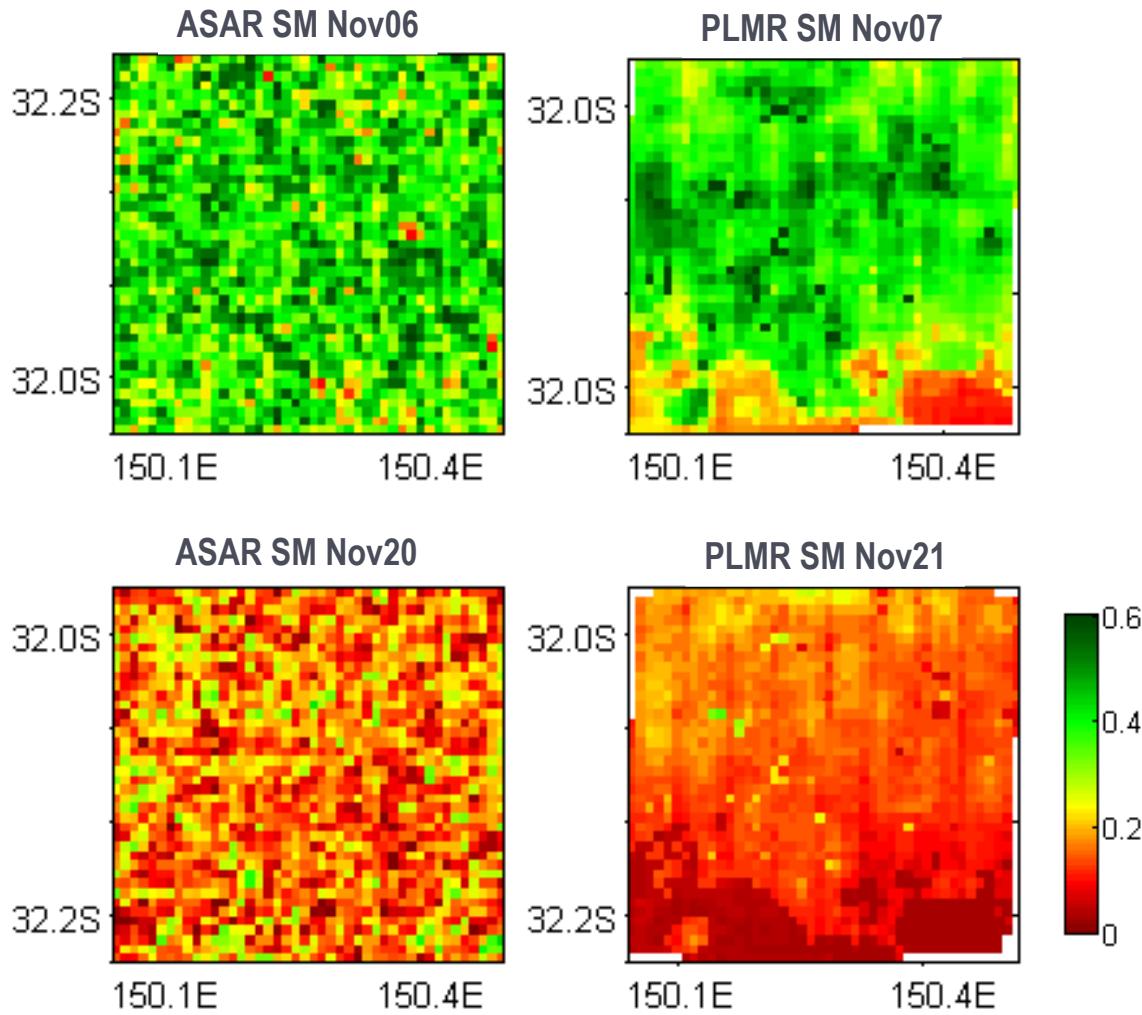


- **Stn Obs**
- + **AMSR-E**

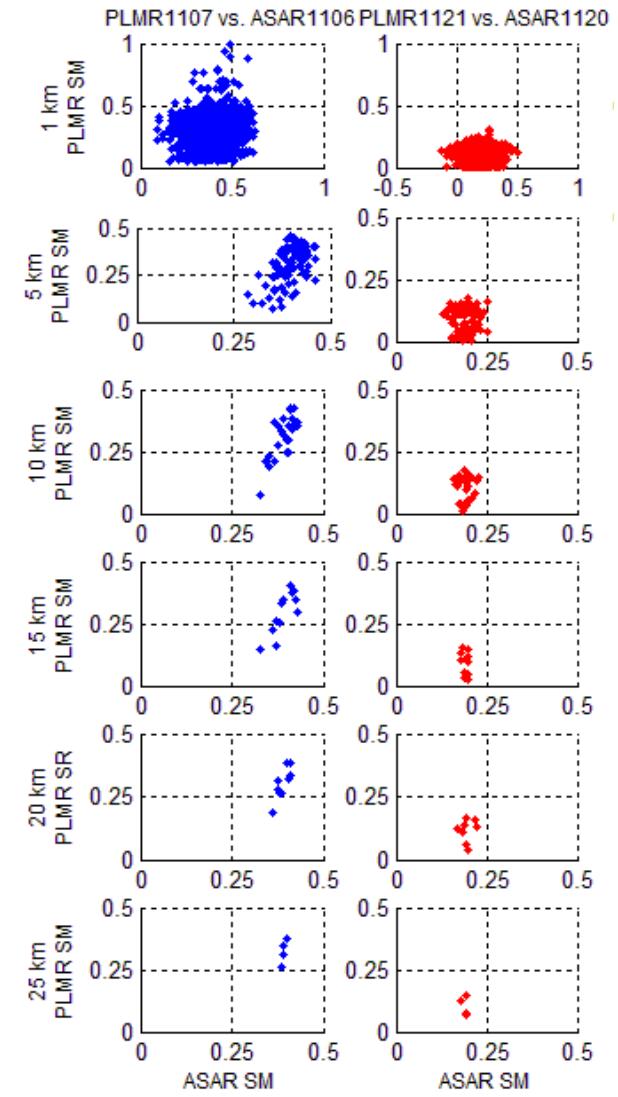


*Draper, Walker et al. (2009) RSE*

# ASAR validation



*Mladenova, Walker et al. (In Review) TGARS*



***“Make no little plans; they have no magic to stir the blood and probably will themselves not be realized. Make big plans; aim high in hope and work, remembering that a noble, logical diagram once recorded will not die.” Daniel Burnham***



Raphael  
*The School of Athens*