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GLIMR Updates



Geostationary Littoral Imaging and Monitoring Radiometer (GLIMR):

Background and update



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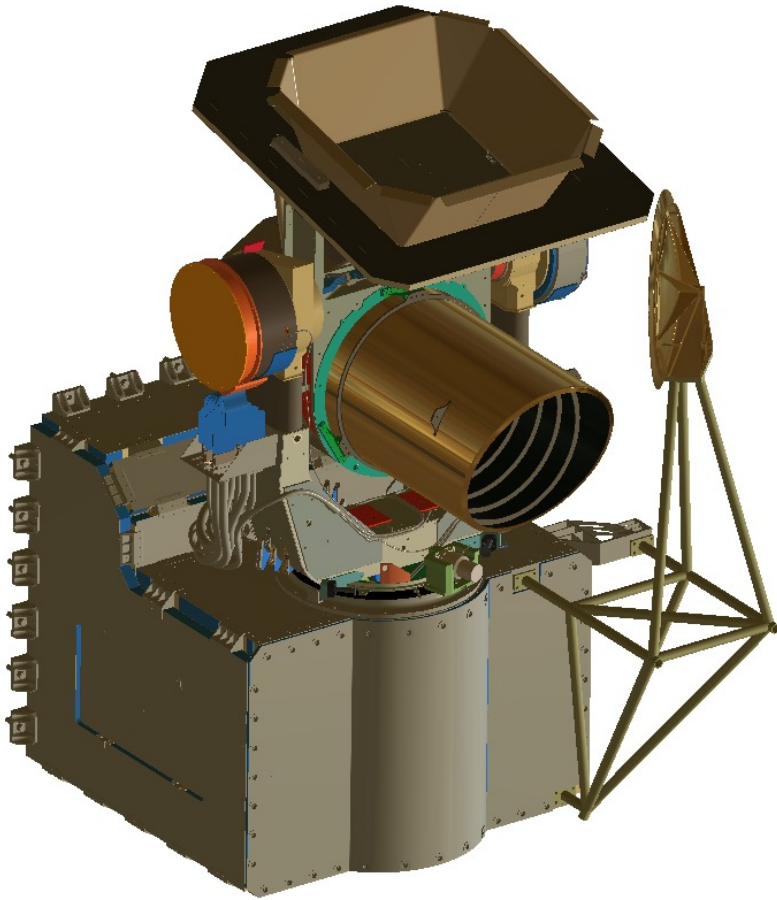
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What is GLIMR?

It's NASA's newest Ocean Color instrument:
A hyperspectral spectrometer in Geostationary orbit



**Geostationary Littoral
Imaging and Monitoring
Radiometer (GLIMR):**

Hyperspectral

- 340-1040 nm
- <10 nm resolution UV-Vis
- <5 nm sampling UV-Vis

High Spatial

- 300 m GSD nadir
- ~328 m Gulf of Mexico
- <500 m over coastal CONUS

High Temporal

- ~hourly scans of Gulf of Mexico (6x/day)
- 2x/day other regions
- 3x/day HAB target sites

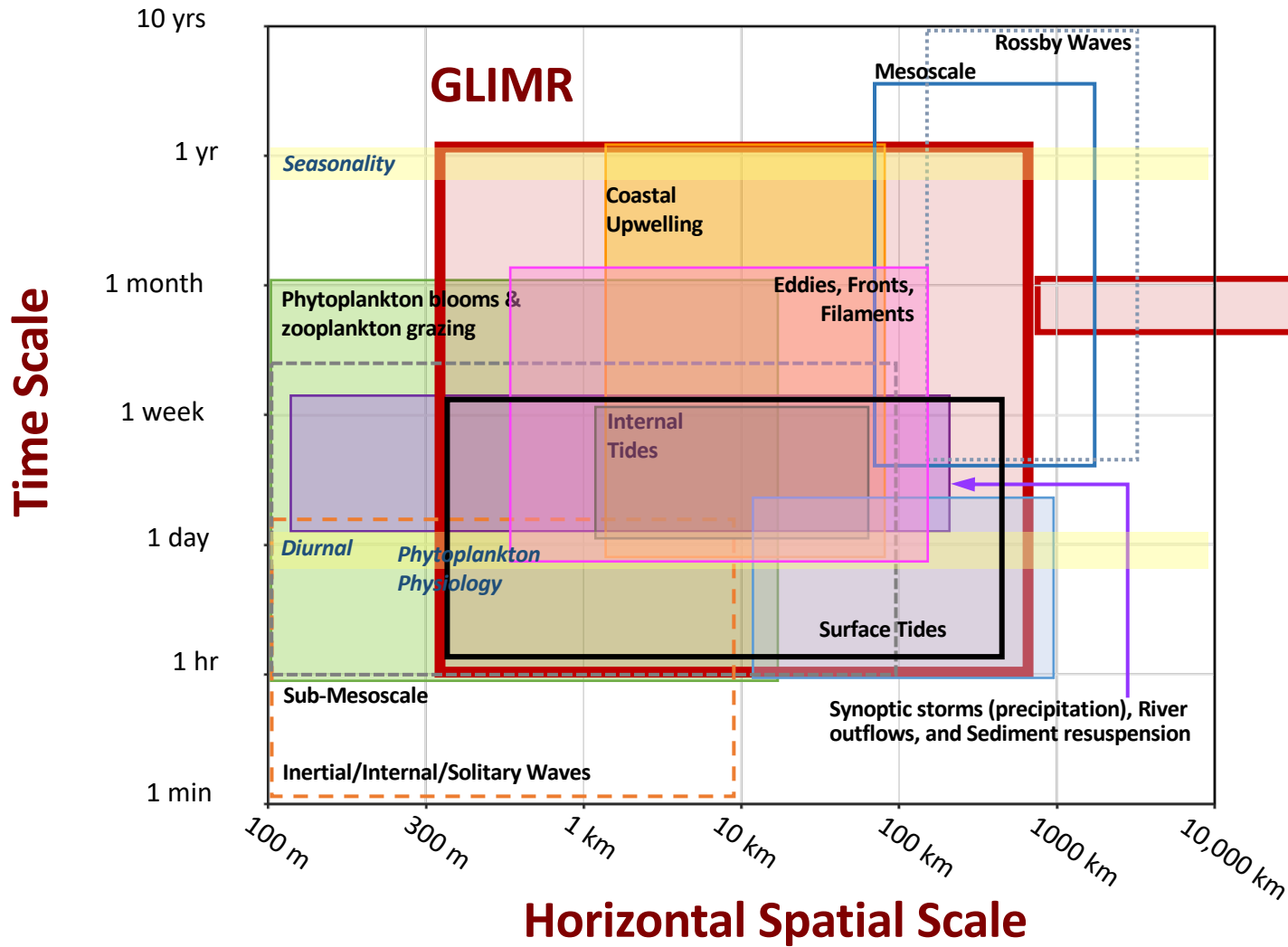
High SNR

Requirements at Ocean Ltyp

- > 420, UV
- > 1000, 400-580 nm
- > 750, 580-650 nm
- > 580, 650-712 nm
- > 500, 713-880

GLIMR's unprecedented measurement capabilities (*in toto*)

Does GLIMR hit the sweet spot for enabling new science?



The temporal cadence of GLIMR will enable the observation of physical processes that regulate the spatial-temporal dynamics of biological and biogeochemical processes and constituent distributions.



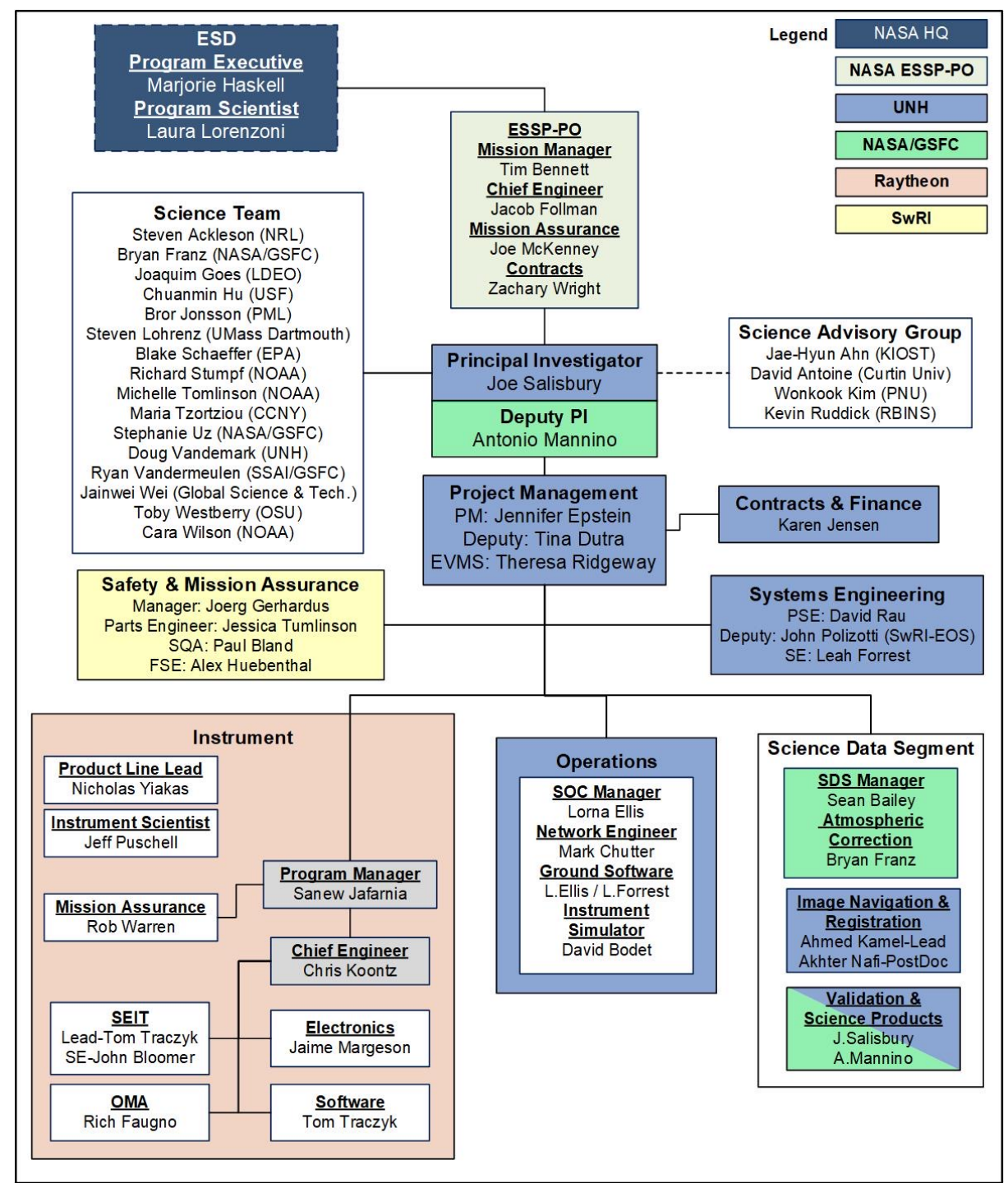
GOES-R ABI data



Who is GLIMR?



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Why GEO?

Because fast observations are not enabled by LEO satellites, GLIMR is poised to revolutionize our understanding of:

Ocean Productivity

Phenology, PCC changes

Coastal environment dynamics

Biology-physics interactions at meso-scale

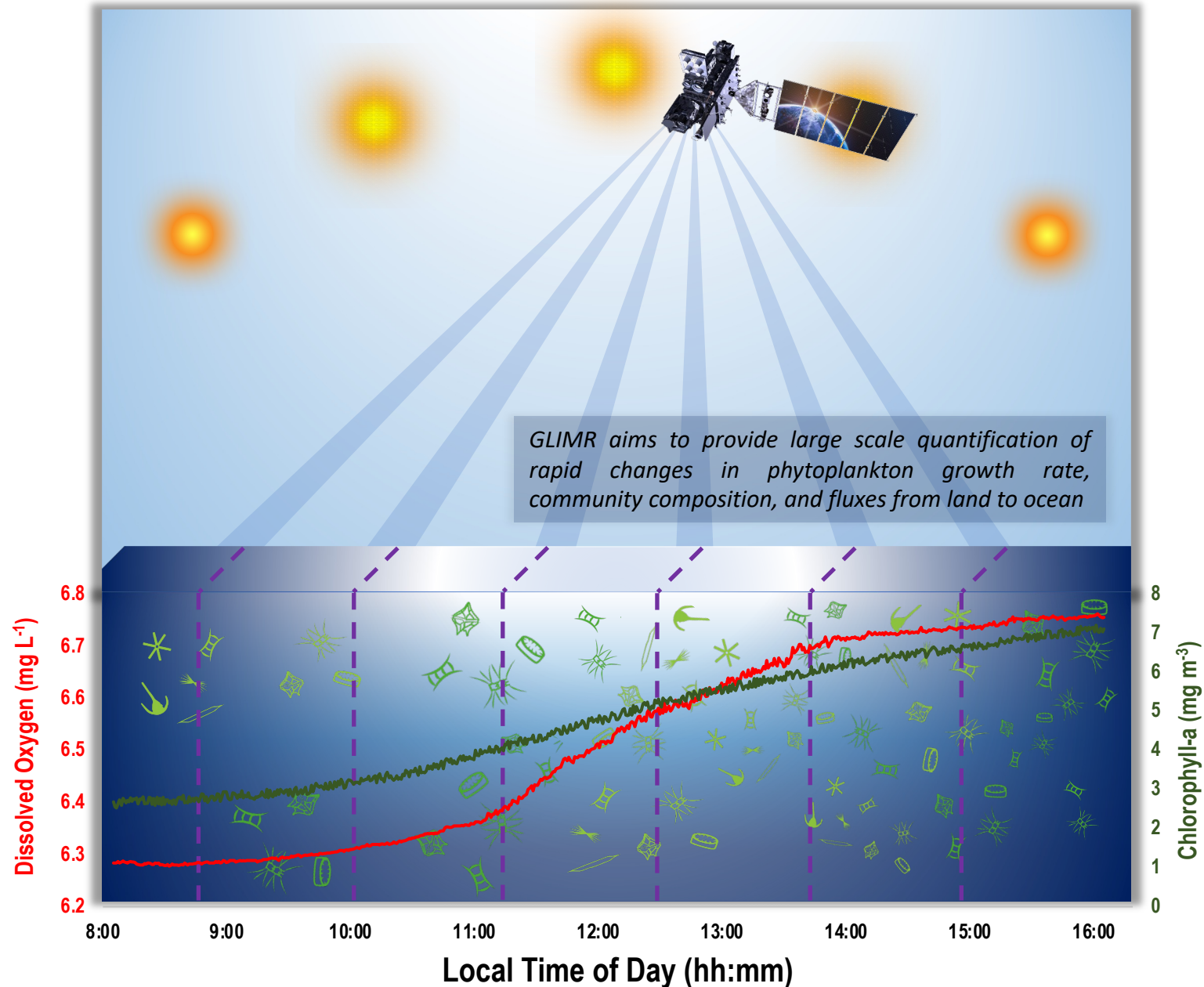
Ocean Data assimilation techniques

Carbon deposition in continental margins

Detection and prediction of HABs evolution

Oil spill thickness, extent and prediction

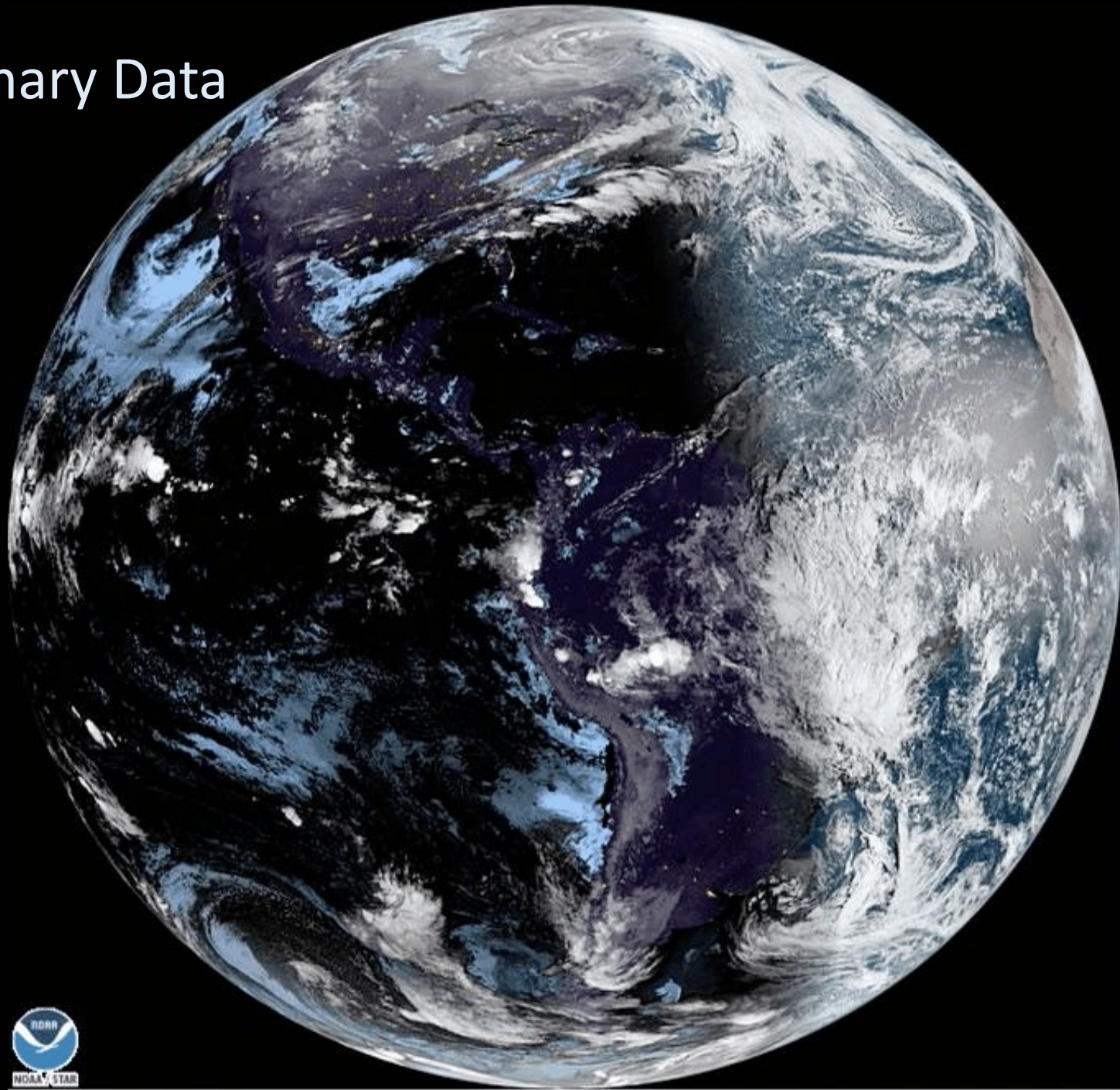
GLIMR will enable us to move beyond studying the *effects* of the process, and into the study of the processes themselves.



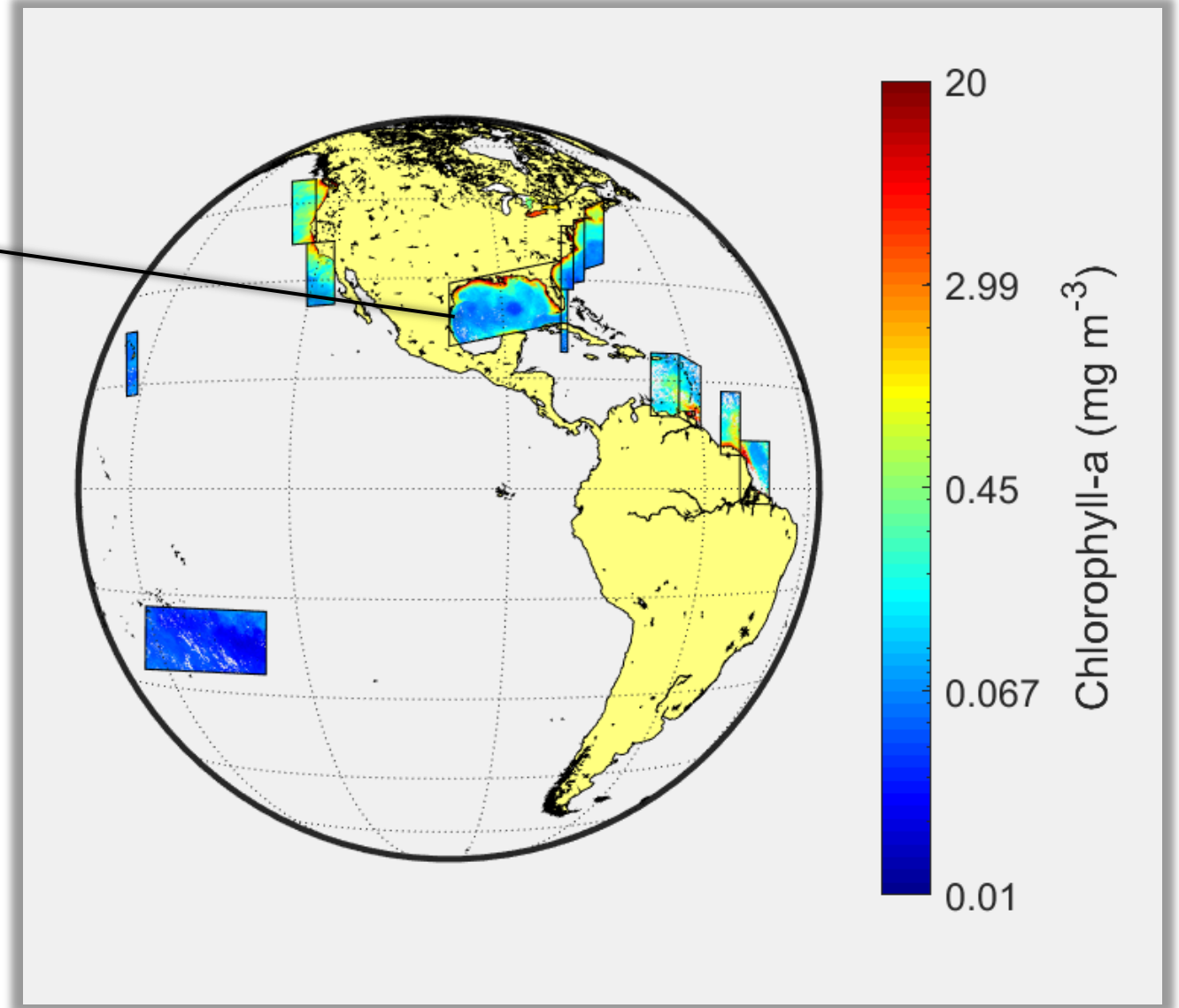
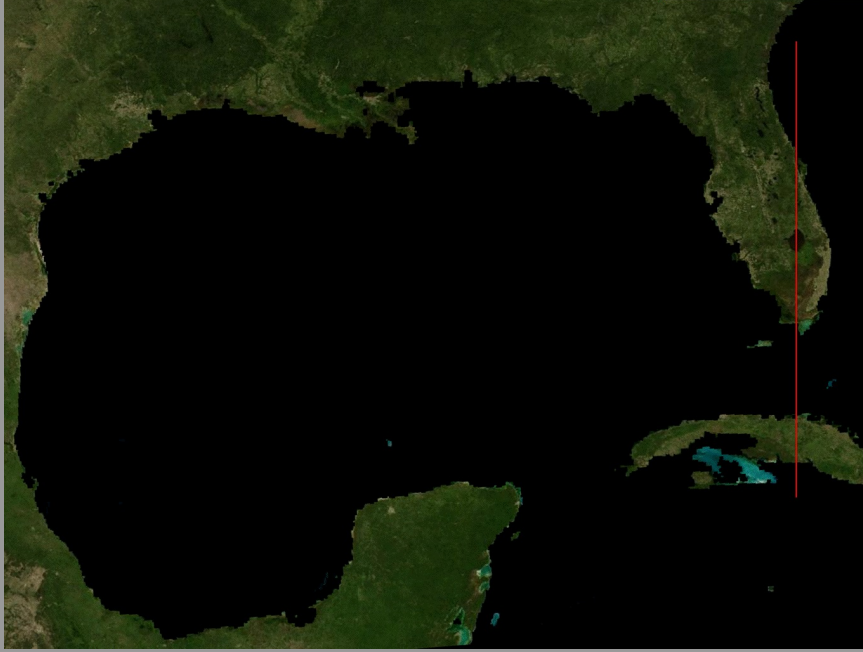
Additional benefits of Geostationary Data

- Viewing same areas of the earth throughout the day enables high-frequency time series
- “Stare” at any location (iFOV) to achieve required SNR
- Scan between cloudy periods of the day (much more data)

GOES-16 Full Disk Animation – 15-16
April 2020



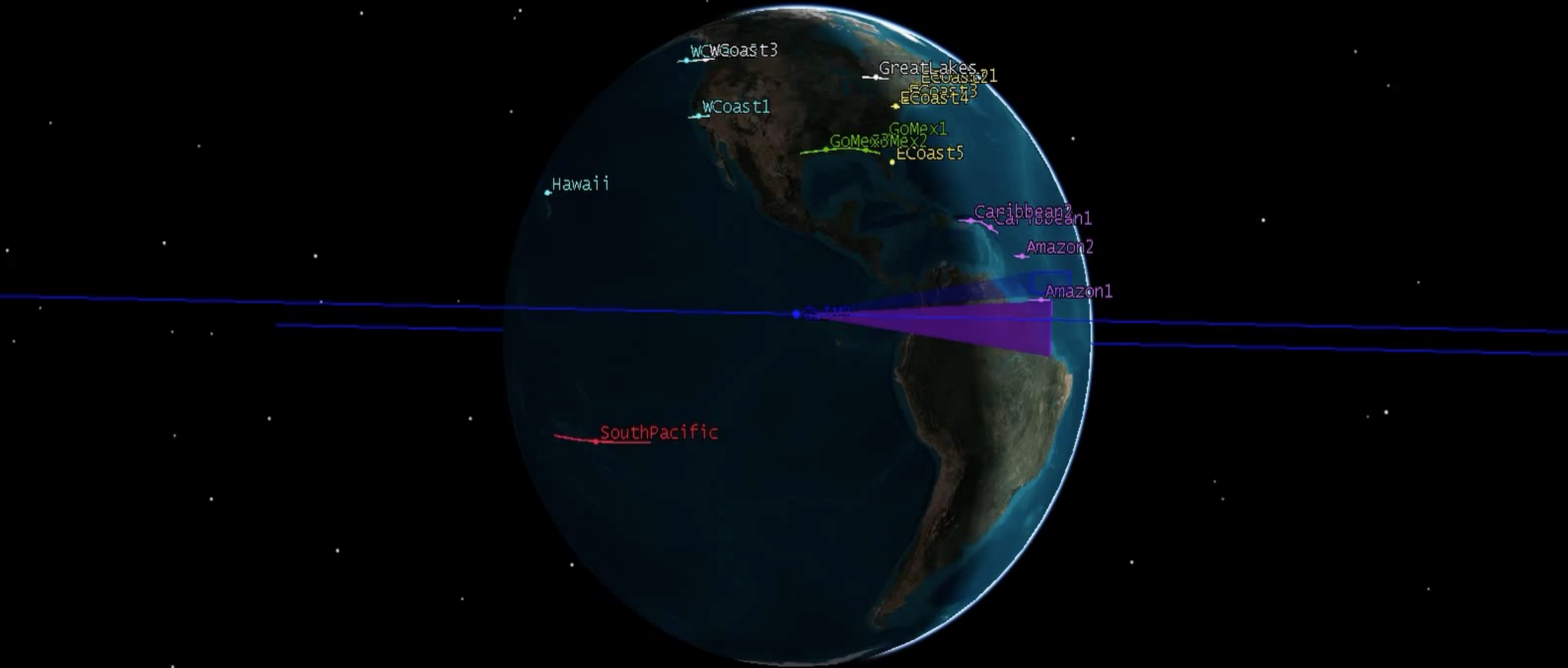
Where does GLIMR Look? Primary science scans (right) and detail of the Gulf of Mexico (left)



Primary Science Scans

- 6x/day Gulf of Mexico (GoMex)
- 2x/day US East Coast
- 2x/day US West Coast
- 2x/day Amazon River Plume ROI
- 2x/day Caribbean Sea ROI
- 3x/day other HAB target sites
- Calibration Sites (MOBY/S. Pacific/PACE)

A day in the life of GLIMR from 95W



GLIMR Science Overview



Phytoplankton Growth and Physiology

Understanding processes contributing to rapid changes in phytoplankton growth rate and community composition.

Short Term Coastal Processes

Investigate how high frequency fluxes of sediments, organic matter, and other materials between and within coastal ecosystems regulate the productivity and health of coastal ecosystems.

Planned GLIMR Data Products

“PACE-like” Ocean Color Products

Remote sensing reflectance

(360 to 720nm every 15 or 10 nm @ 5 nm steps)

Spectral diffuse attenuation coefficients

Apparent visible wavelength

Spectral absorption coefficients (a_t , a_p , a_{ph} , a_{cdm} , a_g)
and backscatter coefficients (380 to 680 nm)

CDOM Spectral slope coefficients

Chlorophyll-*a*

Phytoplankton pigments

Phytoplankton community composition

Daily and instantaneous PAR

Fluorescence line height

Euphotic depth

Particulate organic carbon

Dissolved organic carbon

Suspended particulate matter

Particle size distribution

Rates and Flux Products

Net primary production (NPP)

Net community production of POC

Fluxes of SPM, POC and DOC

Surface Ocean Currents

Applied Science Products

HAB detection index

Karenia brevis cell count index

Mycrocystis cell count index

Floating algae biomass

Water type classification

Petroleum detection and thickness

Oil density

Absorbing aerosol index

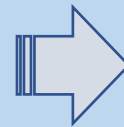
GLIMR: Overview of Funded Science Team Members with Tasks

GLIMR Science Team

Validated Science Products for both coastal and offshore GOM waters: Stocks and rates
Direct mapping to science questions

Partner Institution/Agency
City College of NY, NASA/GSFC
US EPA
NASA/GSFC
University of New Hampshire
Oregon State University
University of Mass. (Dartmouth)
University of New Hampshire
Columbia University/LDEO
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Planned Science Products
1. Turbidity, Water Clarity, **
2. Surface Ocean Currents/Lateral Fluxes
3. Hyperspectral HAB algorithms*, **
4. Water type classification**
5. Net Community production**
6. Ecosystem processes via modeling
7. Net Primary Production (w/Hyperspectral data)**
8. Net Primary Production (using GEO data)**
9. Water Quality Indicators (e.g., CDOM quality)
10. Petroleum detection and thickness
11. Oil density
12. Inherent optical properties **
13. Rrs, Chl, FLH, PAR, K _d **
14. DOC, POC**

* Additional effort by unfunded personnel

** Produced and sent to the DAAC

GLIMR: Applied Science Foci

Targeting the formation, magnitude, and trajectory of **harmful algal blooms** and **oil spills**.

human health

ecosystem health

fisheries

oil and gas

shipping

tourism

recreation



GLIMR provides **federal, state, and local agencies** with vital information on coastal hazards (oil spills, harmful algal blooms, post-storm assessment, water quality) for improved **response, containment and public advisories** both at sea and along the coast

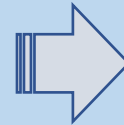
GLIMR: Overview of Applications Team Members & Planned data products

GLIMR Applications Team

Applied Science Products for both inland and coastal waters: Stocks, rates & fluxes

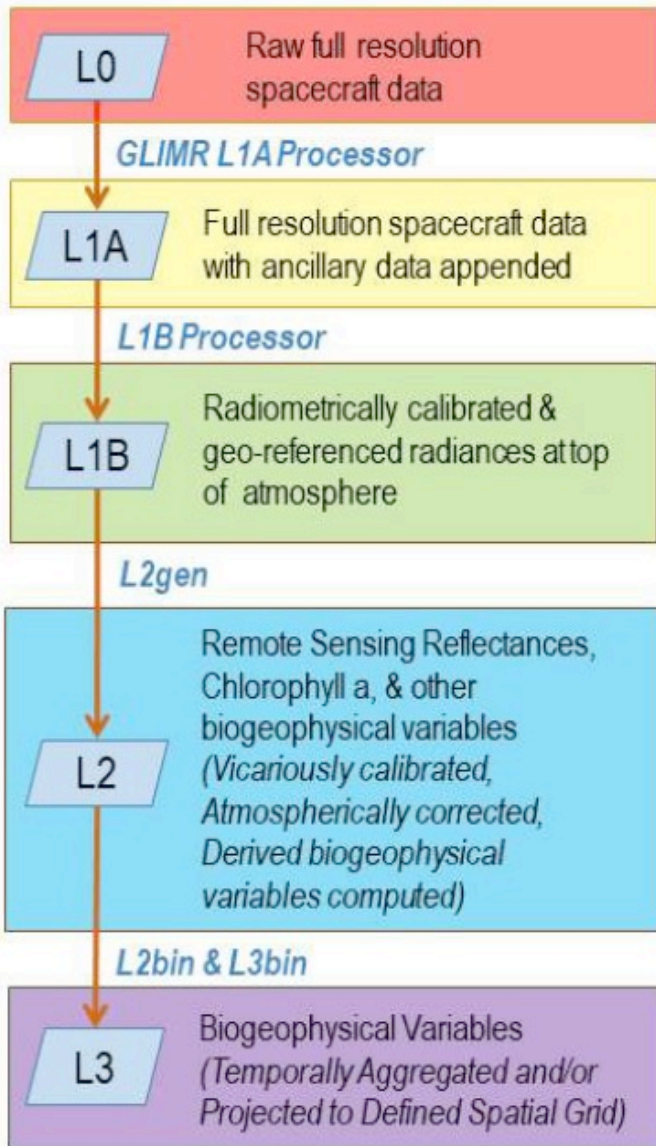
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US Naval Research Laboratory
NOAA NCCOS
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Planned Applications Products
1. Turbidity, Water Clarity
2. HAB detection Index
3. <i>Karenia brevis</i> cell count index
4. <i>Mycrocystis</i> cell count index
5. Floating algae biomass
6. Net Primary Production (NPP)
7. Water type classification
8. Water Quality Indicators (e.g., CDOM quality)
9. Petroleum detection and thickness
10. Oil density
11. Fisheries applications
Potential Other Applications Products
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO ₂)
Absorbing aerosols
Air Quality Index and other atm. applications
Land applications (NDVI, land surface reflectance)
Whitening Agents (human activity)

OBPG Science Data Processing



L0 Unprocessed GLIMR (digital number counts) and spacecraft data at full resolution transmitted directly to GSFC/OBPG through ESSP PO arrangements.

L1A Reconstructed, unprocessed instrument data at full resolution with time-referenced and annotated ancillary information including radiometric and geometric calibration coefficients and georeferencing parameters (e.g. platform ephemeris data) computed and appended but not applied to the Level 0 data
Available within hours of receipt of L0 raw TM

L1B Level 1A data with instrument and radiometric calibrations applied.
Available within 4 hours of L1A creation

L2 Derived (by the L2gen program) biogeophysical variables at the same resolution as the source Level 1 data.
Available in quick look form within 8 hours of collection and in refined form within 1 month of receipt of data

L3 Derived biogeophysical variables aggregated and projected onto well defined spatial grid over a well defined time period.
Level 3 products are binned by space and time

GLIMR will emulate PACE by example

20+ years of ocean color data processing heritage

In terms of progress, where are we?

- The instrument is designed (passed PDR July)
- KDP-C (Confirmation) scheduled in October
- The build, testing and science activities start after KDP-C
- Pre-Ship review (4/24)
- Delivery to Host (2/25), Spacecraft integration begins
- Launch (12/26)
- Commissioning ends (2/27), then.....
- OCRT is changing our understanding of coastal processes

Operation Priorities

Primary Science Scans

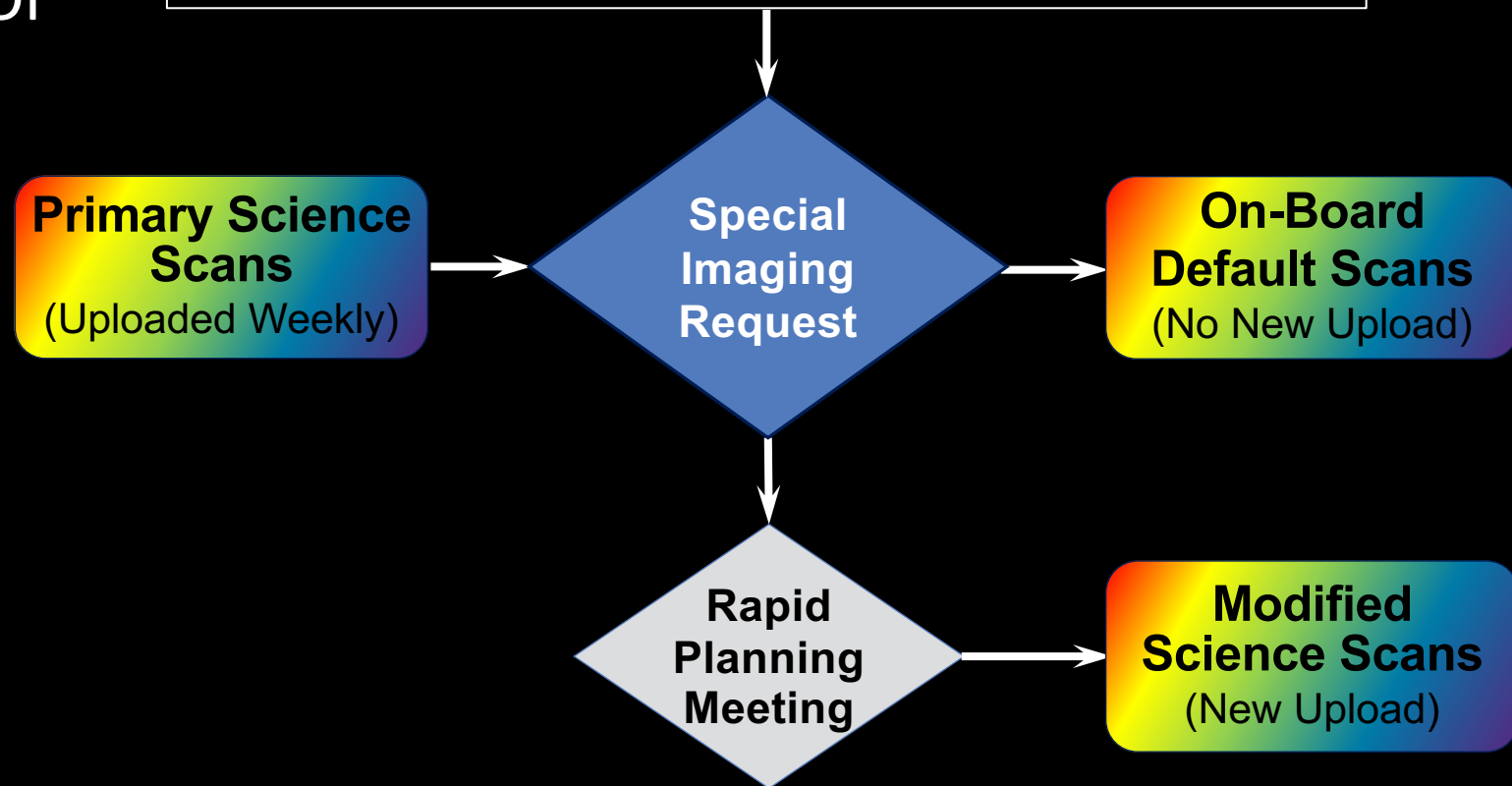
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Primary Calibration Scans

- 2x/day South Pacific clear waters
- 3x/day coincident with PACE's OCI for cross-calibration
- 1x/month Lunar calibr. sites

Special Request Priorities

1. Disaster and Emergency Acquisitions
 - a) Federally Declared Disasters
 - b) Threshold Violations (HABs, oil, etc.)
2. Field Campaigns
3. Engineering and Calibrations
4. US researcher requests
5. International researcher requests



A sunset over the ocean with the text "Thank You" overlaid. The sky is filled with dark, textured clouds, and the sun is setting on the horizon, creating a bright orange and yellow glow. The water in the foreground is dark and calm.

Thank You