

MOBY

vicarious calibration site

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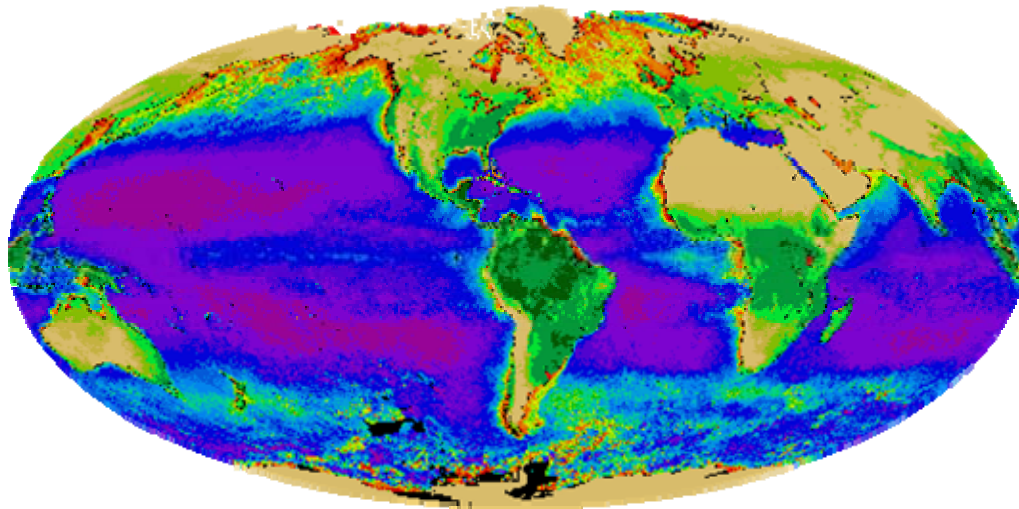
<http://moby.mlml.calstate.edu/>

<http://coastwatch.noaa.gov/moby/gold/index.html>

Project transferred from NASA research to NOAA operations on 01-Apr-2007

Outline

1. System Overview
2. Products, Applications, Uncertainties
3. Challenges
4. Ways to go forward

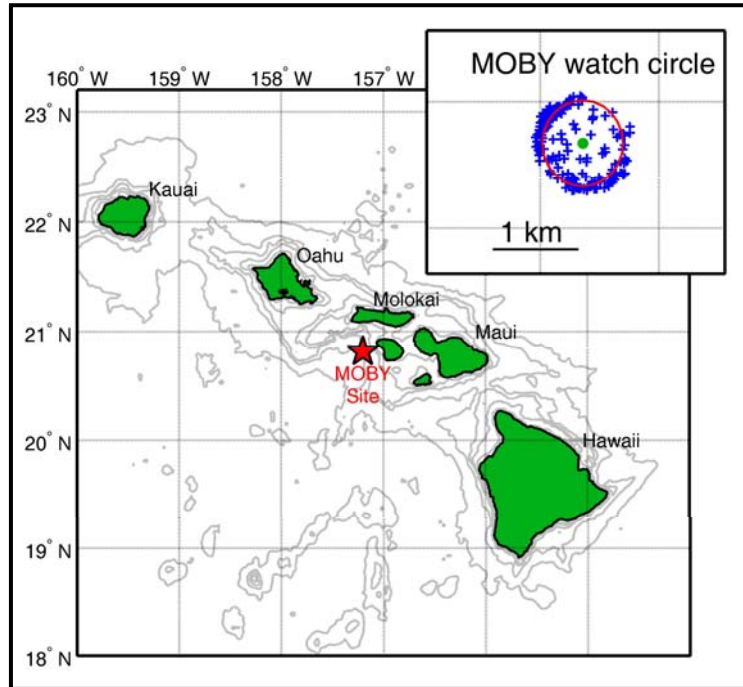


Marine
Optical
Buoy



Marine Optical Buoy (MOBY)

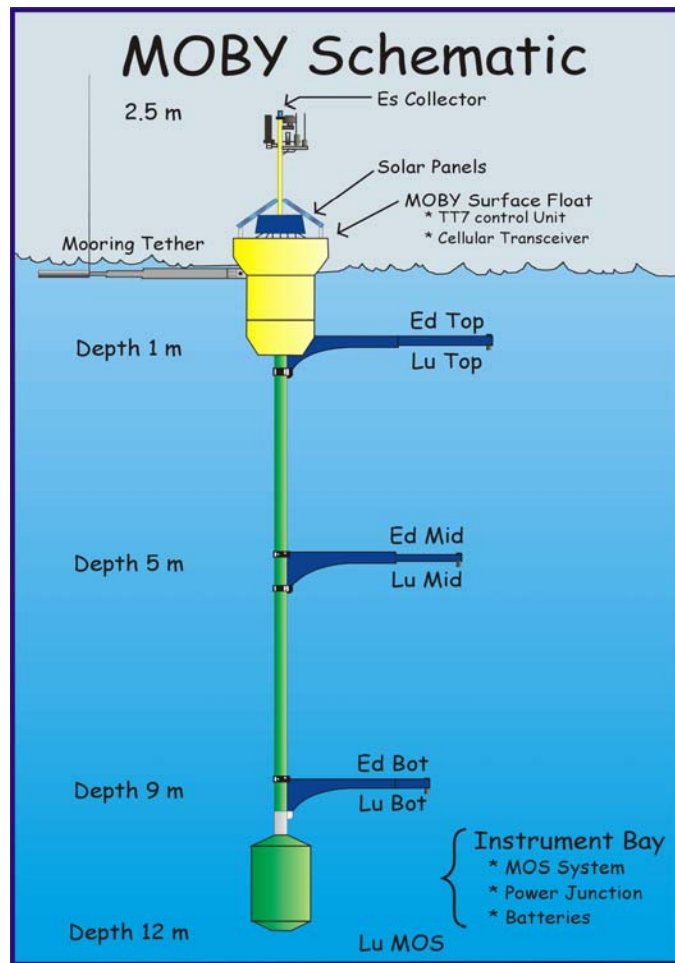
Ocean Color Calibration / Validation



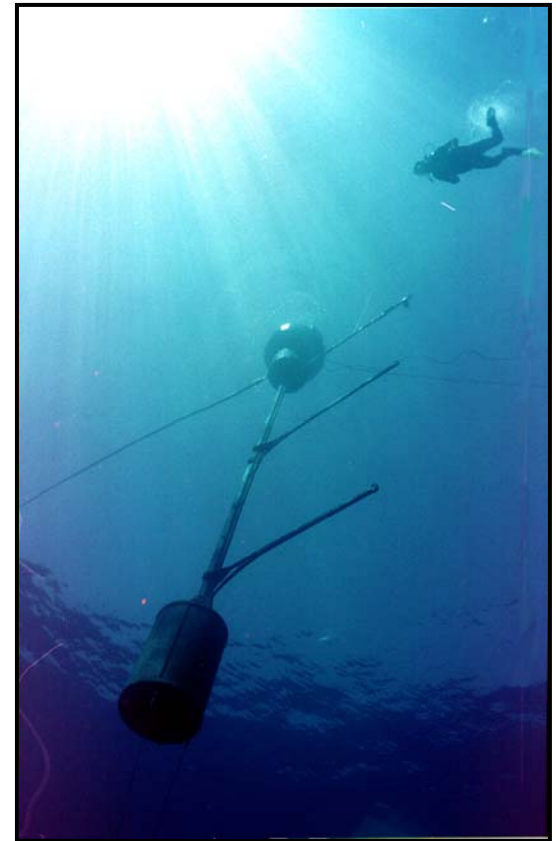
MOBY operations: Univ. of Hawaii Marine Center, Honolulu HI

- **Oligotrophic water** – low horizontal gradients, optically deep, high blue signal
- **Maritime atmosphere** – small aerosol component
- **Characterized** – physical, biological, optical, BRDF measurements & models
- **Servicibility** – pier-side support (ship, cranes, machine shop), small boat & diver safety
- **In-water sensor** – measures water-leaving spectral radiance $L_w(\lambda)$
- **Time series** – long term (13 years, 1997 – present), consistent, calibrated
- **3 daily profiles** – timed to coincide with satellite overpasses (20, 22, 23:00 h GMT)

Marine Optical Buoy

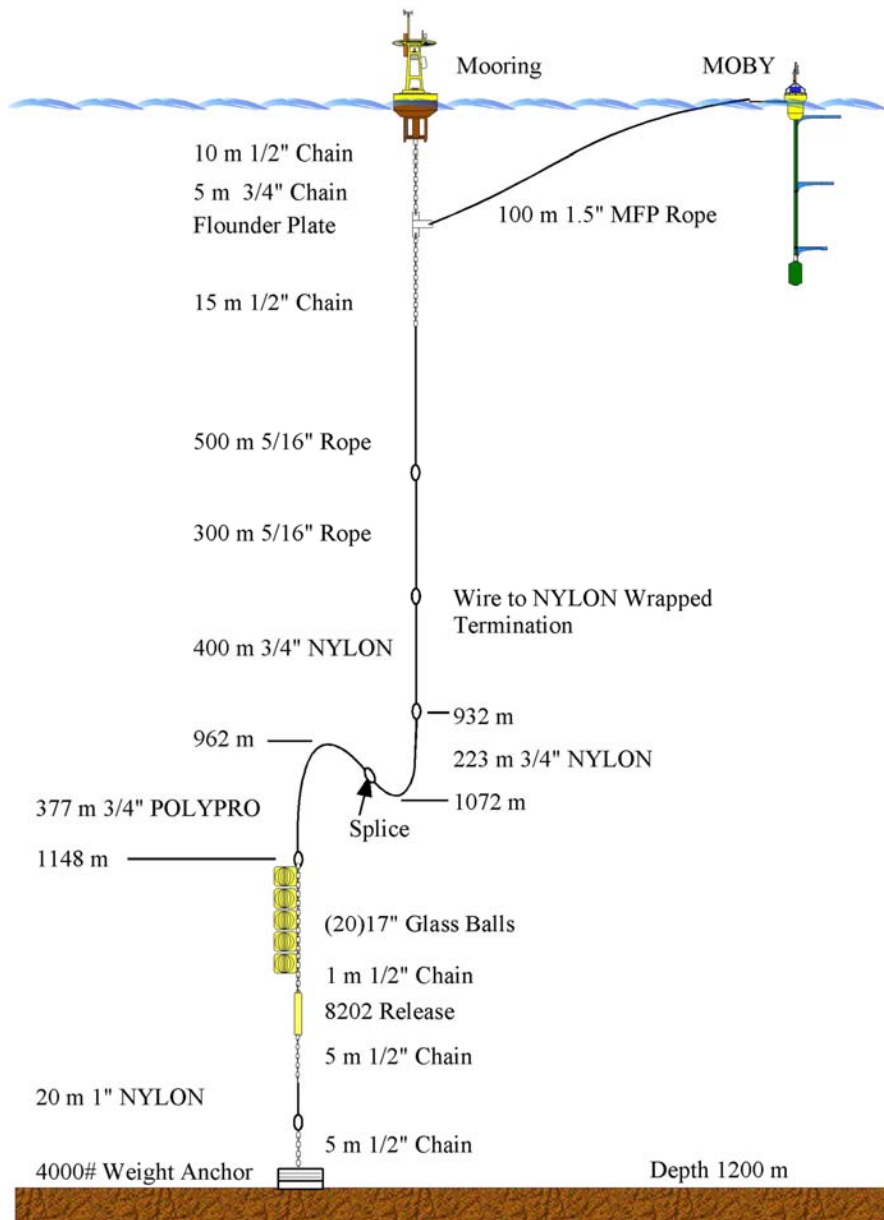


*Spar buoy,
slack-line tethered
to moored buoy.
Instrument bay houses
Marine Optical System
and optical multiplexer,
with fiber optic connection
to optical collector heads.*



- Optical – high spectral resolution, large spectral range, temperature stabilization, on-board reference lamps for stability monitoring
- Calibration – NIST traceability & collaboration
- Characterization – stray light, thermal, linearity, shadow correction modeling
- Buoy – stable (small tilt angles), minimized shadowing (small buoy, sm. collectors, standoff arms)
- Reliability – 3-to-4 month deployments, diver cleaning & cals minimize bio-fouling, three systems: 1 = deployed, 2 = being refurbished, 3 = spare

Ocean Mooring



2000



2005

Instrumentation:
 PAR, wind speed, air °C,
 %RH, atm. press., CTD,
 solar panels, batteries,
 night-light, radar-reflect.

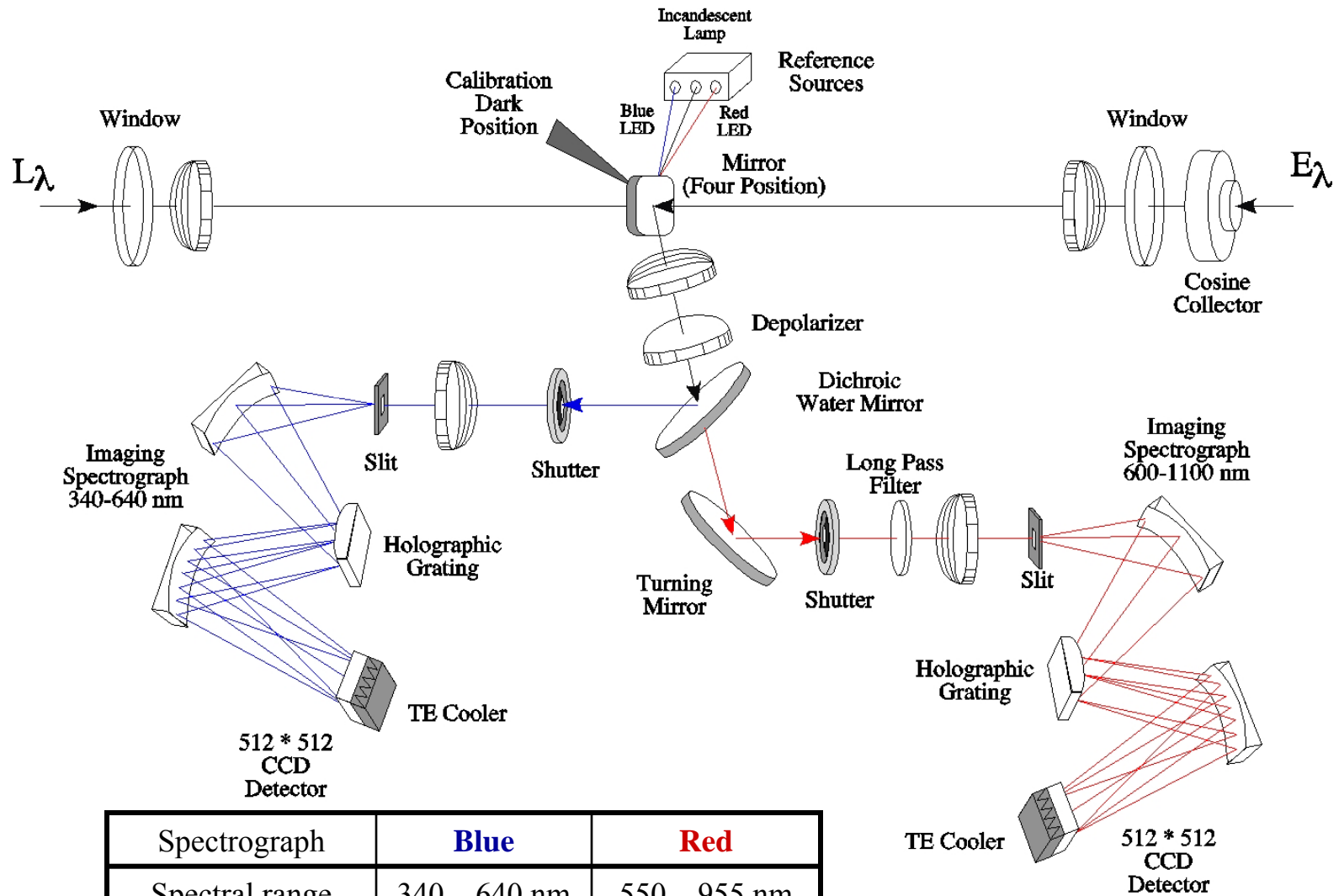


1994



Flounder Plate

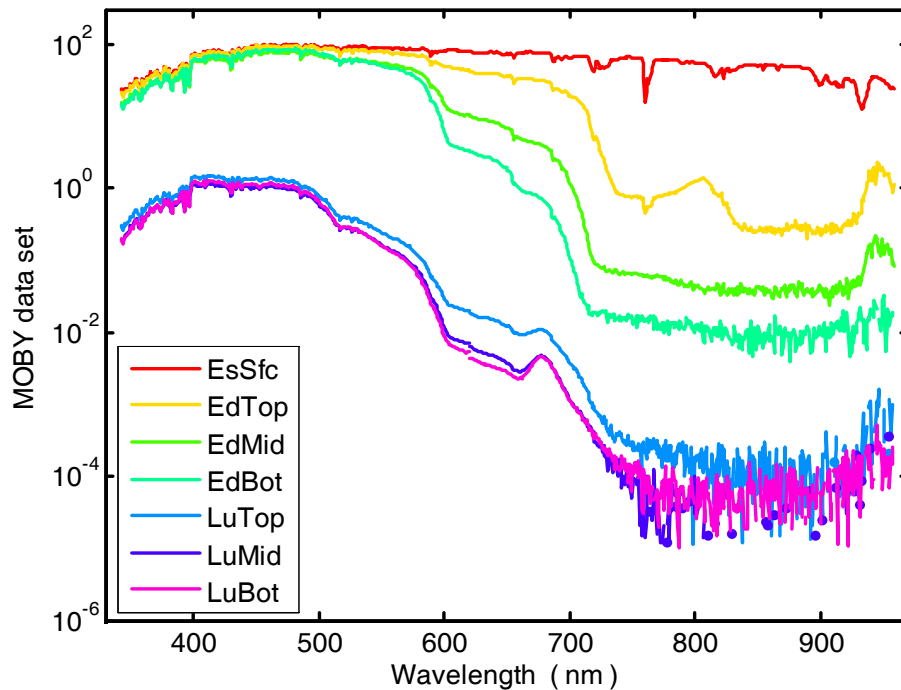
Marine Optical System - Dual Spectrographs



Spectrograph	Blue	Red
Spectral range	340 – 640 nm	550 – 955 nm
Bandpass FWHM	0.91 nm	1.17 nm
Pixel spacing	0.58 nm	0.81 nm
Spectral overlap	550 – 640 nm	

Data Analysis

- Surface-incident spectral irradiance $E_s(\lambda)$
- Downwelling irradiance, $E_d(\lambda)$ at 1, 5, 9 m depths
- Upwelling radiance, $L_u(\lambda)$ at 1, 5, 9, 12 m depths
- Sequential sampling: E_s , $E_d(z_1)$, E_s , $L_u(z_1)$, E_s , $E_d(z_2)$, E_s , $L_u(z_2)$...
includes: dark scans, LED scans, $7 \times ^\circ\text{C}$, %RH, Volts, amps, coolant flow, position, date, time, X & Y tilt (inclination), heading, depth
- **MATLAB *MLDbase* Data Processing:**
- Radiance attenuation coefficient, $K_L(\lambda)$
- Water-leaving radiance, $L_w(\lambda)$
- Band averaging (*full-band response includes out-of-band*)
- Quality Control (*L_w consistency, K_L vs clear water, CIE coordinates*)



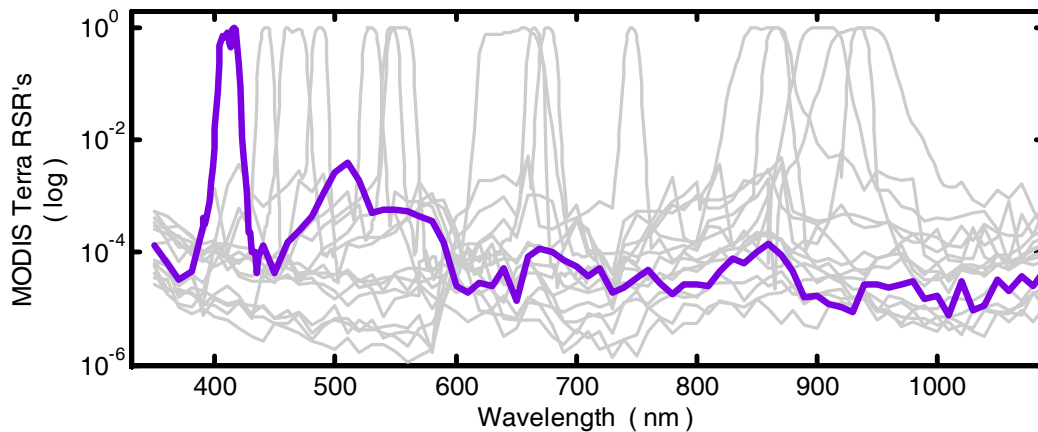
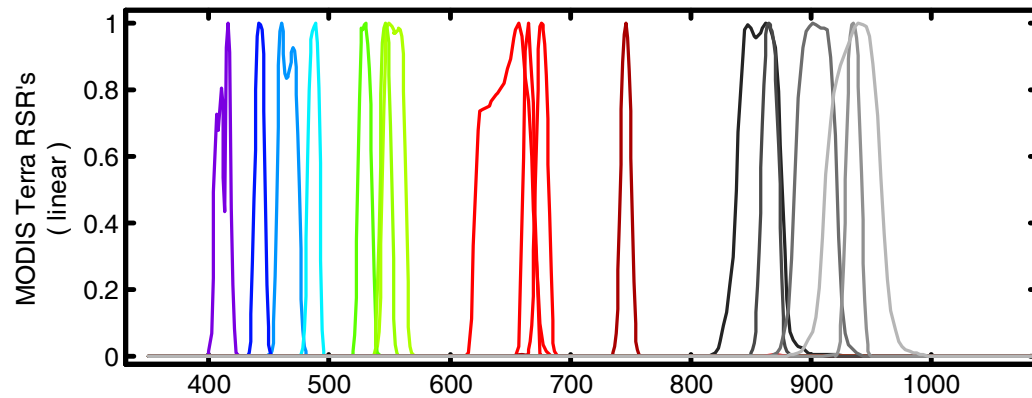
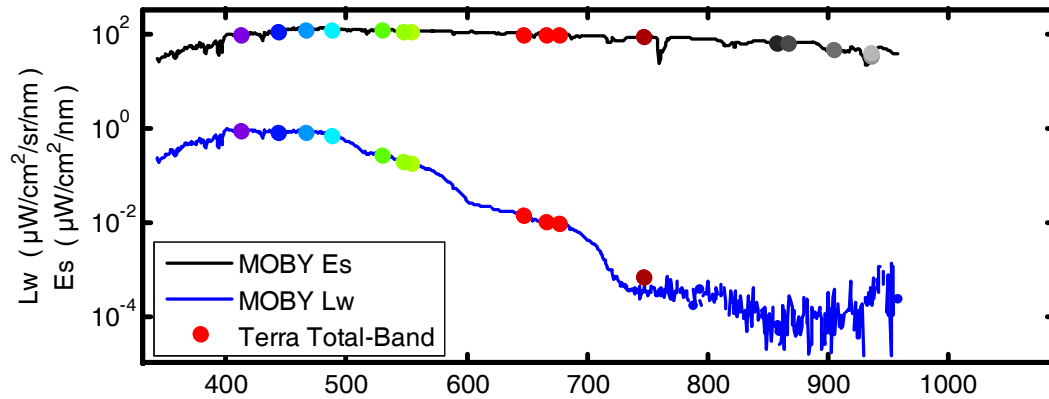
$$K_L(\bar{z}_{ij}, \lambda) = \frac{1}{z_j - z_i} \ln \left[\frac{L_u(z_i, \lambda, t_i) E_s(0, \lambda, t_j)}{L_u(z_j, \lambda, t_j) E_s(0, \lambda, t_i)} \right]$$

$$L_u(0^-, \lambda) = L_u(z, \lambda) \exp[K_L(\bar{z}_{ij}, \lambda) z]$$

$$L_w(\lambda) = \frac{1 - \rho}{n_w^2} L_u(0^-, \lambda)$$

$$\frac{1 - \rho}{n_w^2} \equiv 0.543$$

Products: Sensor Spectral Band Matching



Relative Spectral Response, RSR
Band-Averaged Radiance, BAL

$$BAL = \frac{\int RSR(\lambda) Lw(\lambda) d\lambda}{\int RSR(\lambda) d\lambda}$$

Applications: Satellite matchups

Ocean Color Sensors Supported by MOBY

- China - MERSI
- Europe - MERIS
- France - POLDER 1 & 2
- India - OCM-2
- Japan - OCTS, GLI
- US - SeaWiFS
- US - MISR (Terra)
- US - MODIS (Terra and Aqua)

Example: SeaWiFS sensor + algorithm system 5x5 pixel data vs MOBY Lw:

- **MOBY provided 1450 matchups over 9 years**, coincident with satellite overpass
i.e. 1450 *after* MOBY's *in situ* observation quality screening, including:
significant buoy tilt, Es & Kl & Lw stability, Instrument problems
- **150 passed OBPB screening process** (~10%), including:
Atmos. correction contamination -
land, clouds, cloud shadow, stray light
Navigation error, Chl-a > 0.2 mg/m³,
NIR τ -aerosol > 0.15,
Sensor $\theta > 56^\circ$, Solar $\theta > 70^\circ$
Lw via Lu-Top vs Mid differ > 5%
Es vs model differ > 10%

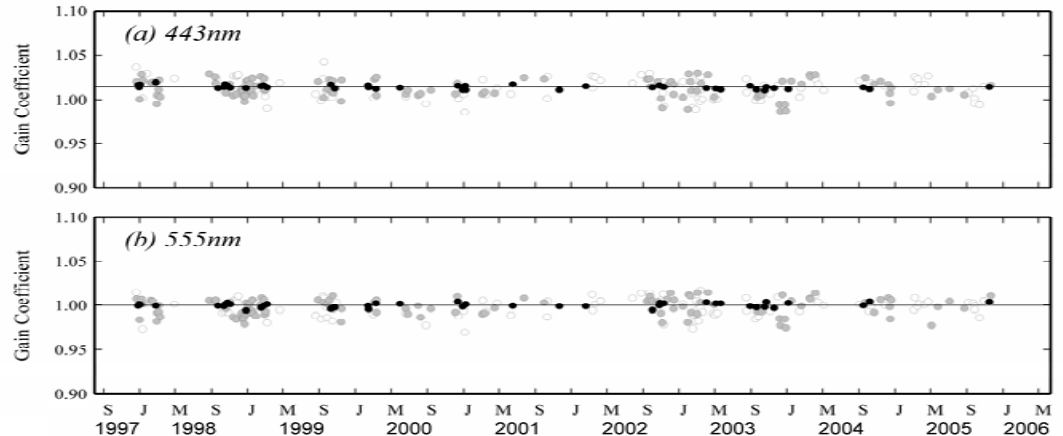


Table 2. SeaWiFS Vicarious Gain Coefficients

λ	412	443	490	510	555	670	765	865	N ^a
\bar{g}	1.0377	1.014	0.9927	0.9993	1.000	0.9738	0.9720	1.000	150 (97)
σ^b	0.009	0.009	0.008	0.009	0.008	0.007	0.010	0.0	
S_E^c	0.0007	0.0007	0.0007	0.0007	0.0007	0.0006	0.0011	0.0	

Franz *et. al.* 2007
Appl. Opt.46, 5068-5082
Fig. 3 & Table 2

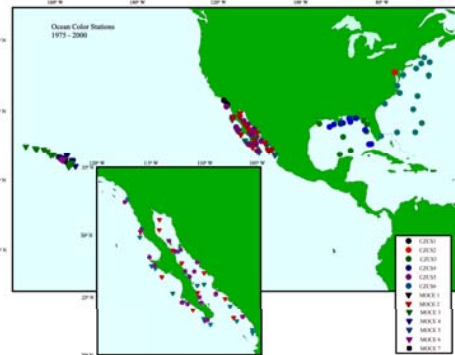
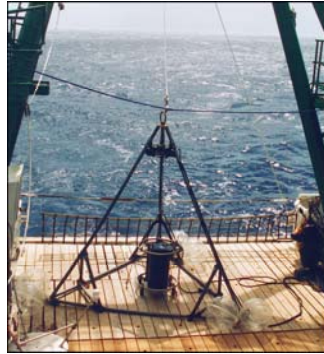
^aNumber of gain samples, g_i , used to compute the mean gain, \bar{g} , for $\lambda < 765$ ($\lambda = 765$).

^bStandard deviation of the distribution of g_i about \bar{g} .

^cStandard error on the mean, \bar{g} , computed as σ/\sqrt{N} .

Applications: Bio-Optical Algorithms

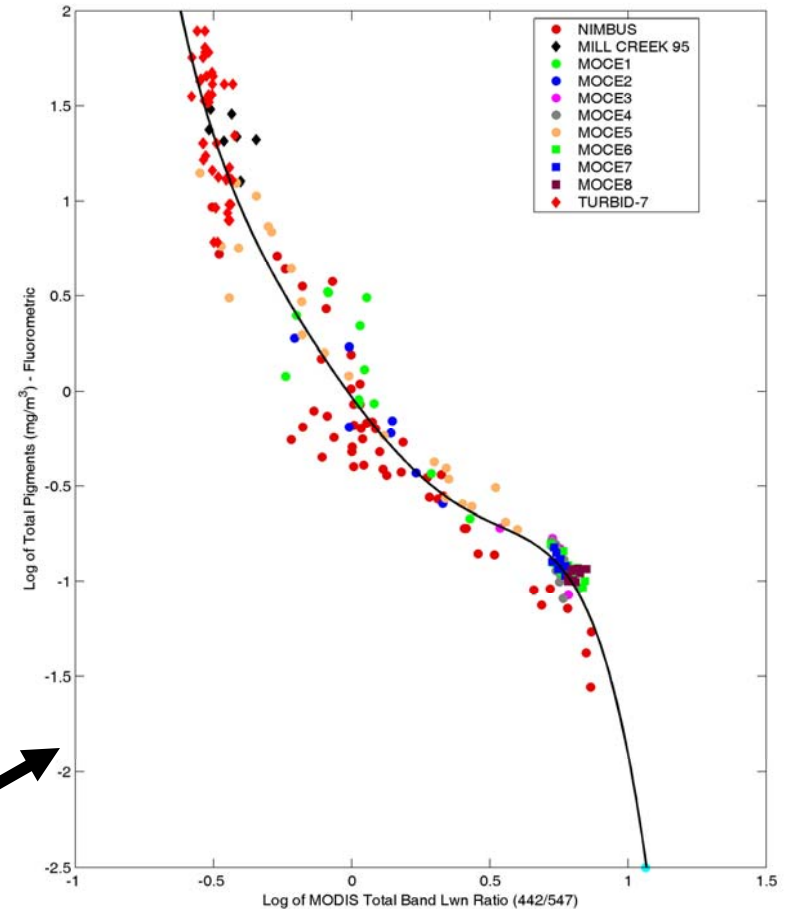
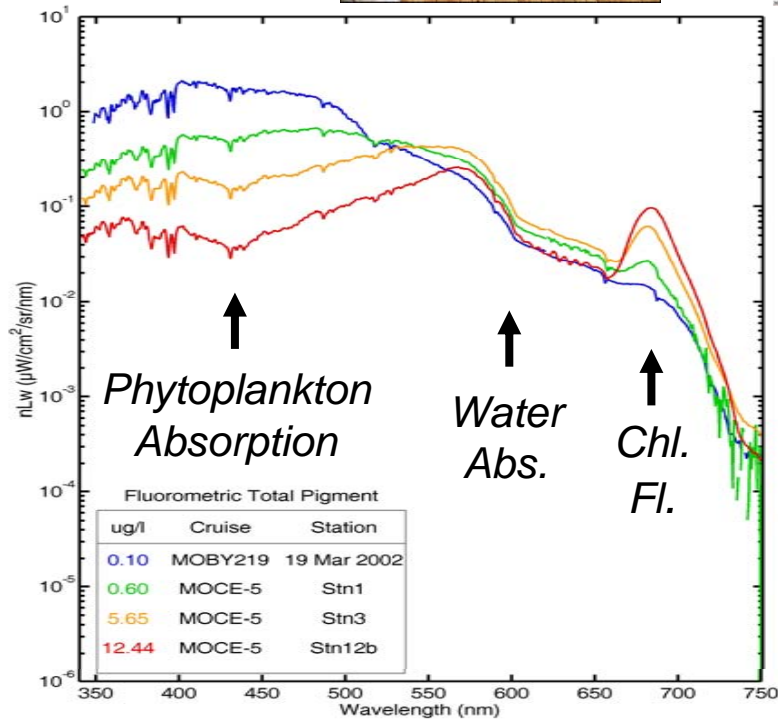
Deployments of the MOS profiler were used in conjunction with analytical sampling to compile a hyperspectral Ocean Color Database, which was used to develop bio-optical algorithms for MODIS.



some MODIS Terra Products

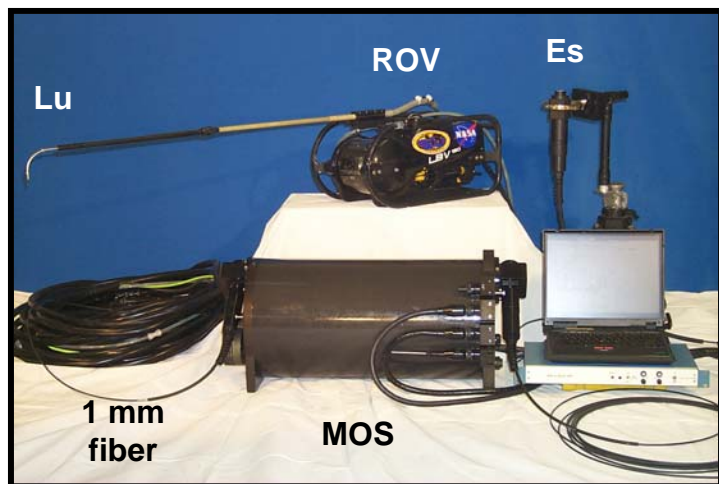
- CZCS_pigment – FI determined
- Chlor_MODIS – HPLC determ.
- Pigment_cl_total – HPLC
- TSM – dry weight
- K_490 – SeaWiFS Ed

CZCS Pigments MODIS-Terra



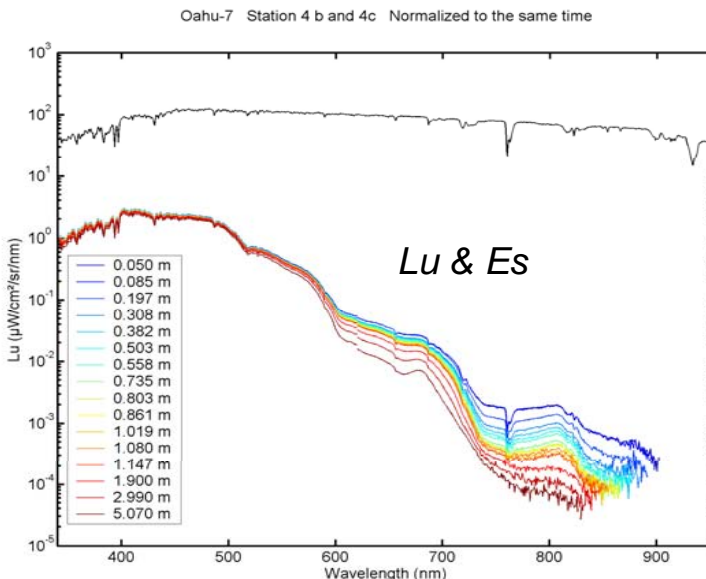
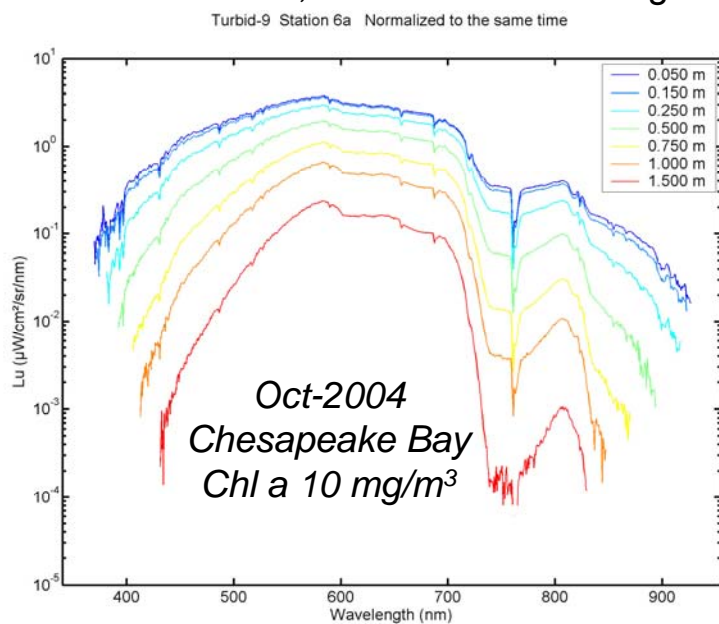
Generalized form for product computation:
 $\text{Log Product} = [A(\text{Log } X)^3 + B(\text{Log } X)^2 + C(\text{Log } X) + D] / E$
 where $X = \text{nLw}(\text{band } 9) / \text{nLw}(\text{band } 12)$

Applications: ROV

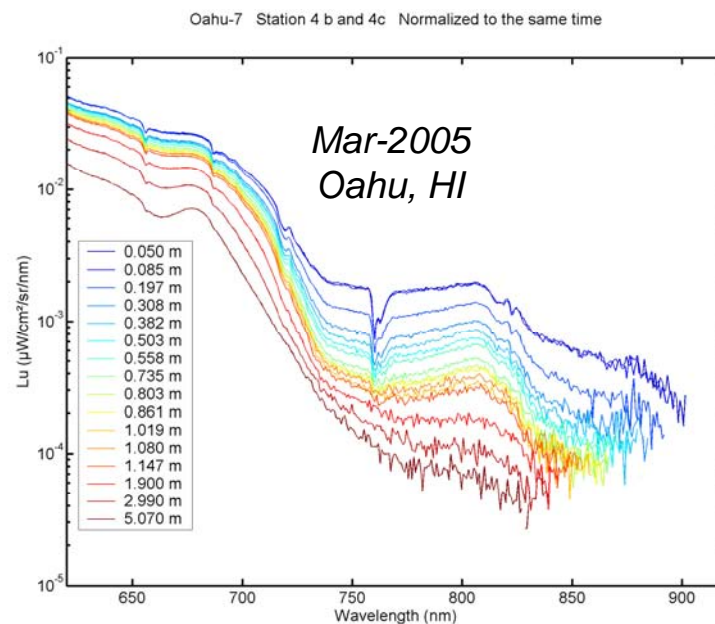


Seabotix LBV-150 ROV
 1 mm fiber optic to MOS
 1 m collector standoff
 Lu shadowing dia < 5 mm
 Depth control 1 to 10 cm
 Azimuth control 1 deg

Turbid water, Low / ~no shadowing



High depth-resolution vertical profile



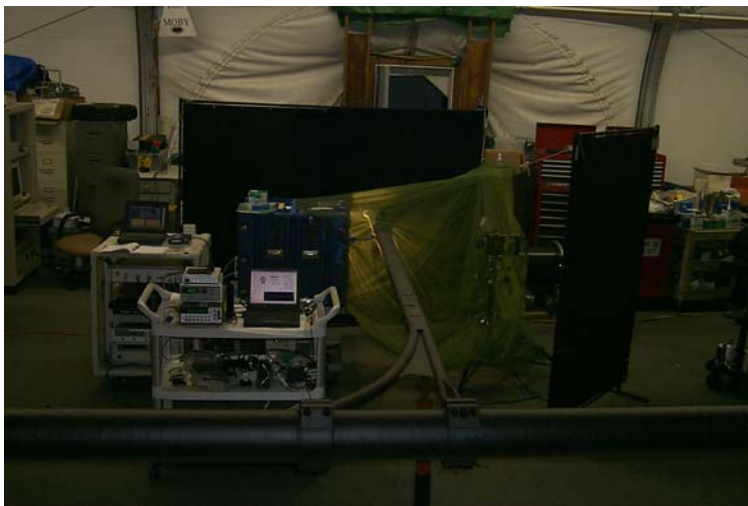
Radiometric Calibration

- System level calibrations of Es, Ed, Lu, λ
- Pre & Post-deployment calibrations
- Traceability to SI reference standards
- 50 hr standard lamp NIST calibrations (beginning and end-of-life calibrations)
- Standard Lamp Monitors (SLM) (412 & 872 nm, Ir/Radiance)
- Housekeeping data: Volts, Amps, °C, %RH
- MOS internal reference sources scanned
- Annual on-site NIST intercomparisons
- Stray Light Characterization (SLC)
- Thermal Characterization
- Goniometric Characterization
- Linearity, Integration Time, Bin Factor

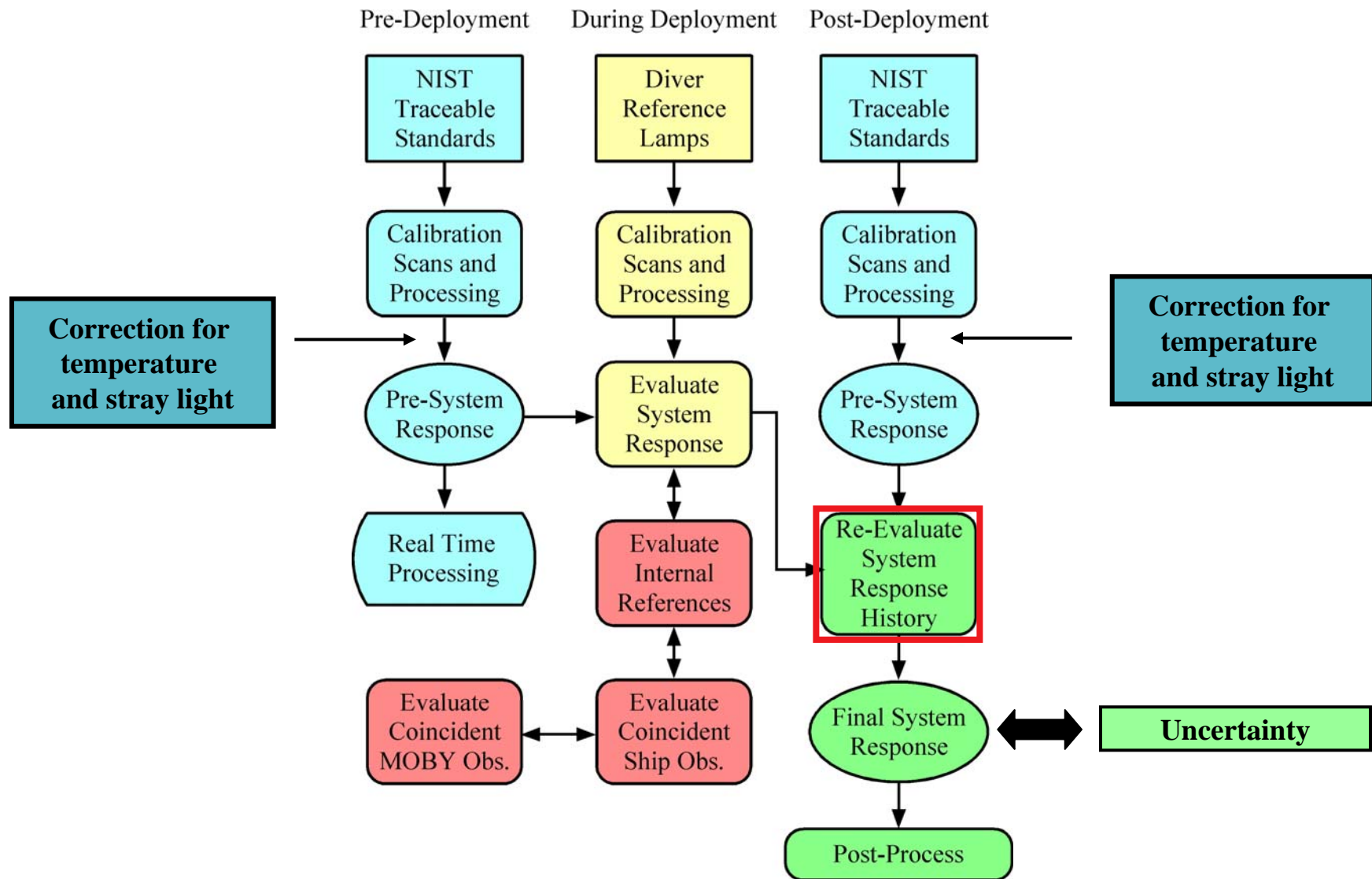
HI Lab (van) 2001: OL420 SLM SXR VXR



HI Tent 2000: MOBY NPR VXR



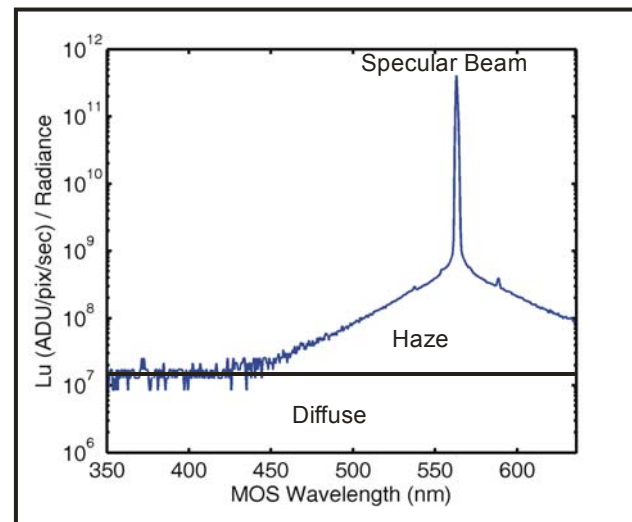
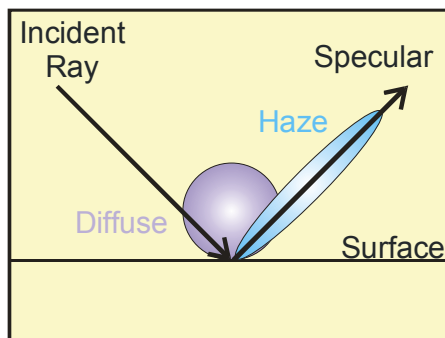
Calibration Approach



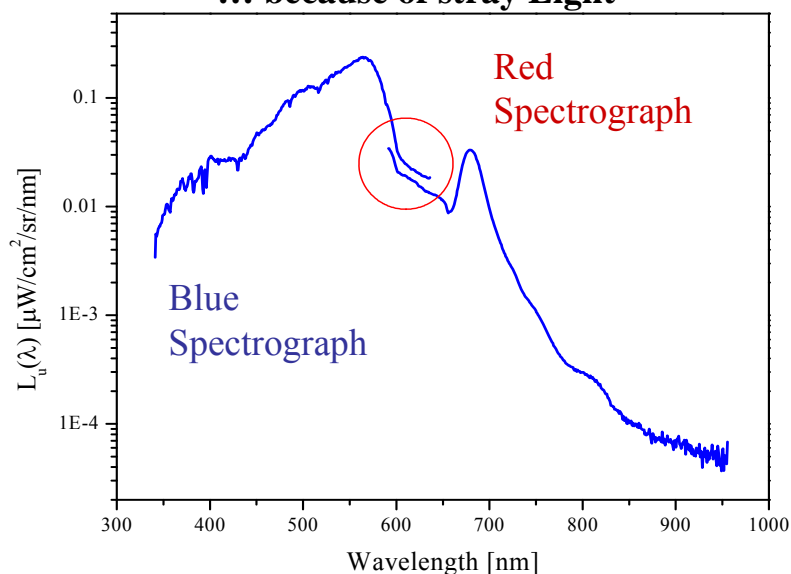
MOBY Lu uncertainty components for one deployment	MODIS Terra Band (k=1) [%]					
	8	9	10	11	12	13
	411.8 nm	442.1 nm	486.9 nm	529.7 nm	546.8 nm	665.6 nm
Radiometric Calibration Source						
Spectral Radiance	0.65	0.60	0.53	0.47	0.45	0.35
Stability	0.41	0.46	0.51	0.53	0.53	0.48
Transfer to MOBY						
Interpolation to MOBY wavelengths	0.20	0.15	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
Reproducibility	0.37	0.39	0.42	0.44	0.42	0.30
Wavelength accuracy	0.29	0.08	0.04	0.03	0.01	0.04
Stray Light	0.66	0.29	0.13	0.21	0.36	0.64
Temperature	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
MOBY stability during deployment						
System Response	1.59	1.30	1.19	1.11	1.08	0.92
In-water internal calibration	0.43	0.42	0.44	0.46	0.51	0.55
Immersion Coefficient (<i>est.</i>)	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
Wavelength stability	0.13	0.14	1.12	0.82	1.37	0.65
Environmental						
Type A (good days only)	0.80	0.83	0.87	1.02	0.64	1.31
Temporal overlap	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Self-shading (uncorrected)	1	1	1.2	1.75	2.5	12
Self-shading (corrected)	0.20	0.20	0.24	0.35	0.50	2.4
In-water bio-fouling	1	1	1	1	1	1
Combined Standard Uncertainty- shading uncor.	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.9	3.5	12.2
Combined Standard Uncertainty- shading corr.	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.4	3.3

Stray Light Correction

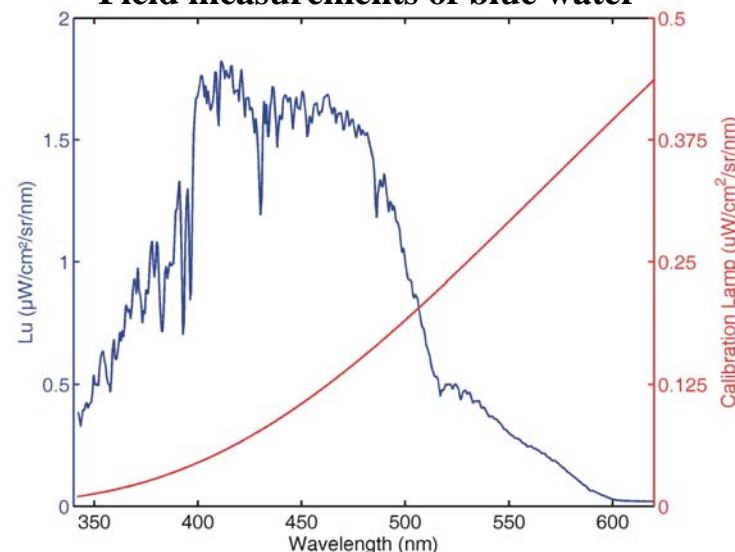
- Stray Light is light scattered off optical surfaces.
- 3 Factors: Diffuse, Haze, Reflections
- Monochromatic spectral line source (ex. Laser) light tells us how single λ Input effects all CCD detector pixels



MOBY measurements did not agree in the spectrograph overlap region ... because of stray Light

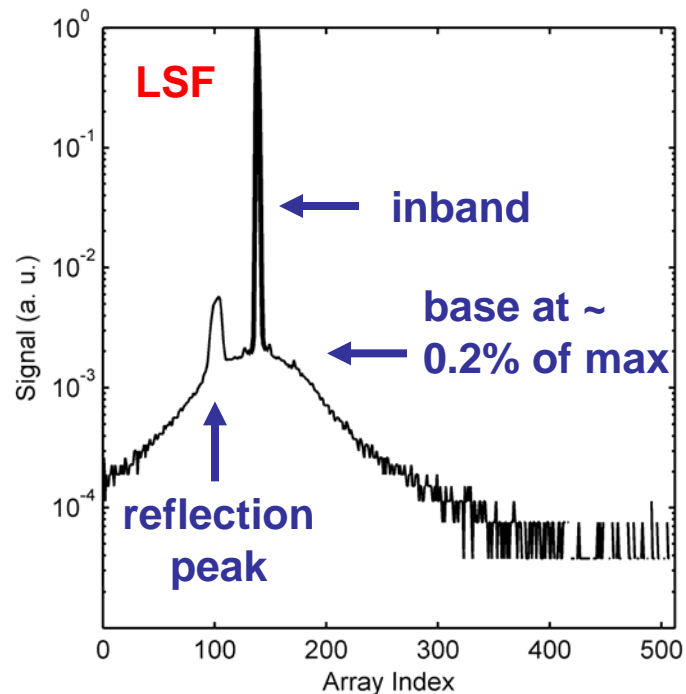


Source spectral power mis-matched: Calibration via red-rich incandescent lamp, Field measurements of blue water

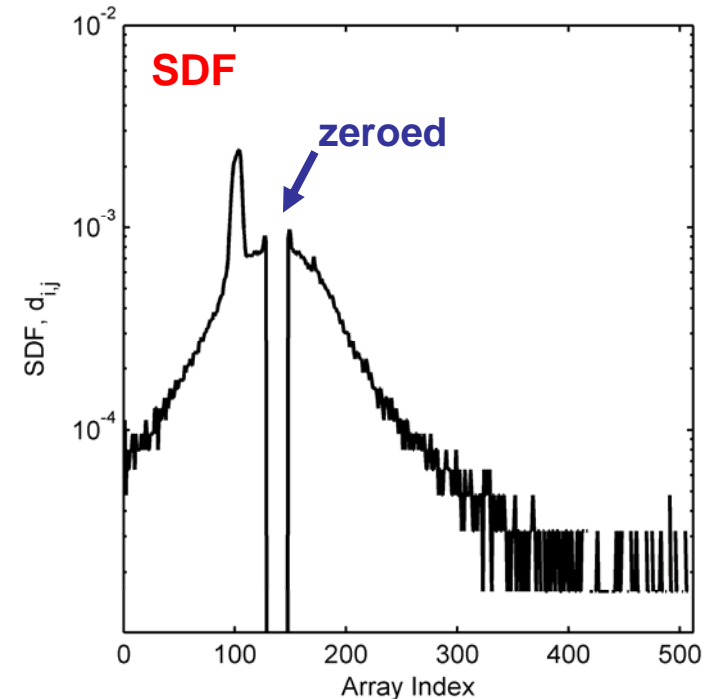


SLC ...continued...

- 1.) **Spectral line spread function, LSF** describes spectrometer's response to fixed monochromatic excitation

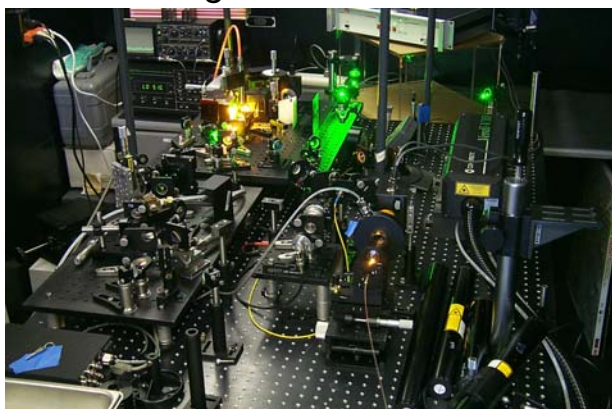


- 2.) divide LSF by inband area and set inband pixels to zero, gives **relative fractional amount of incident radiation scattered onto other elements**, called **stray light distribution function, SDF**

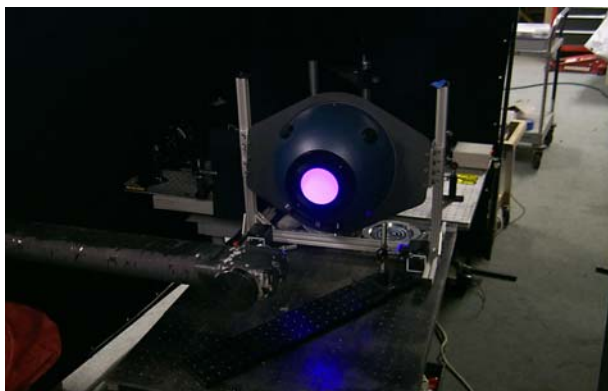


- 3.) Measure many λ 's, interpolate & extrapolate to fill all detector elements (MOBY n = 512)
- 4.) Compile a 2-dimensional n x n matrix of SDF's = D, where each column of D is an individual SDF, then, each row of D is the relative stray light response function, which is **the relative amount of light scattered onto that element of the detector from all other elements.**
- 5.) Matrix math correction applied to both the system response and measured ir/radiance

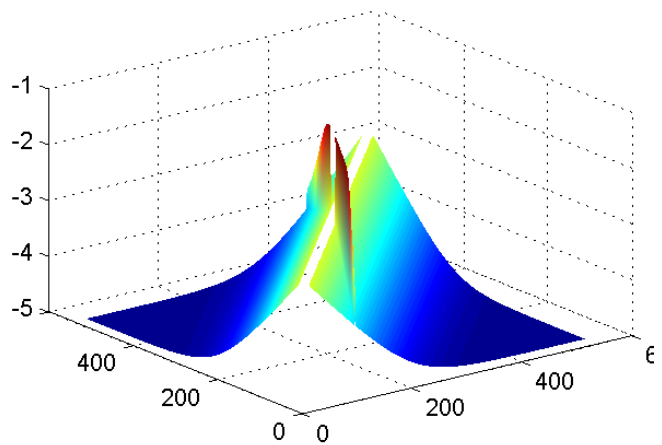
Traveling SIRCUS in HI van



... and at MOBY arms in HI tent



Modeled - Even - BSG - fibered



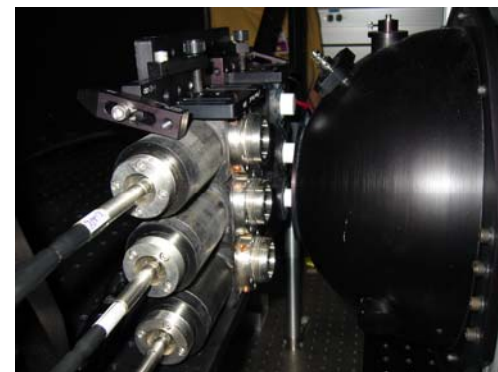
2001-02:
Limited number of tunable laser wavelengths brought to MOBY in Hawaii

2008:
Full SIRCUS laser capability with MOBY brought to NIST in Maryland

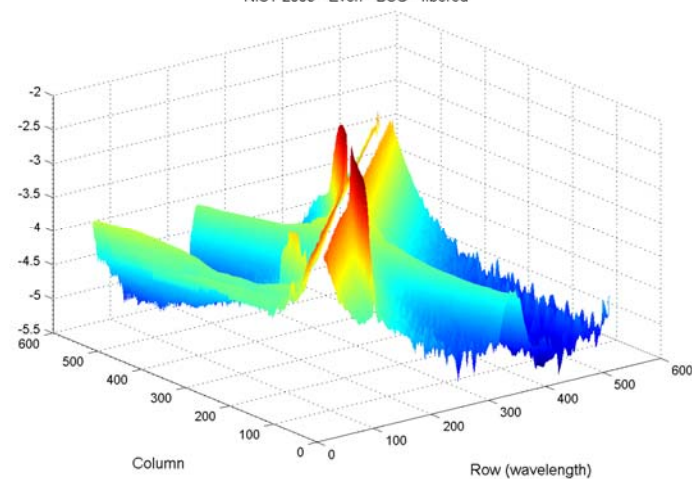
SIRCUS at NIST, MD



MOBY collector heads at SIRCUS

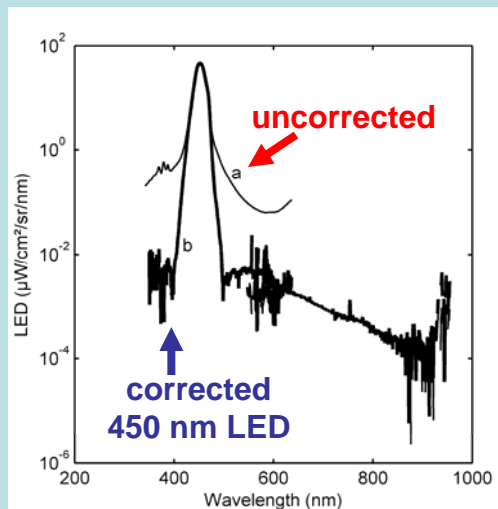


NIST 2008 - Even - BSG - fibered



Stray Light Impact

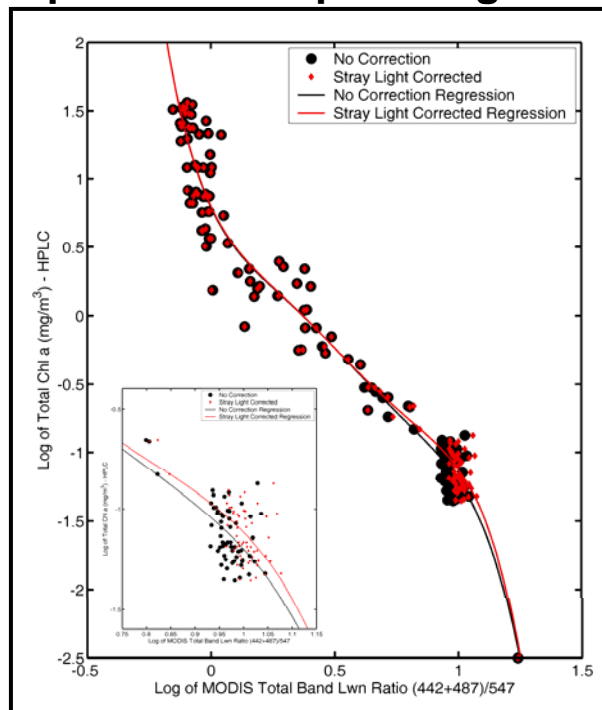
SCL validation via colored sources:



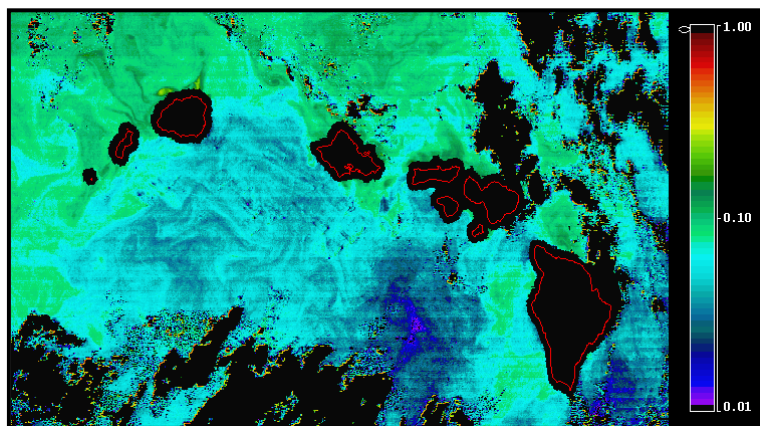
Stray light is a **systematic bias** – will not average out via repeat measurements

MODIS band nm	Avg. Lw Corr. Factor	LuTop SLC Uncertainty
411.8	+ 9.6 %	0.66 %
442.1	+ 3.6 %	0.29 %
486.9	+ 1.4 %	0.13 %
529.7	- 3.7 %	0.21 %
546.8	- 4.0 %	0.36 %
665.6	+ 2.3 %	0.64 %

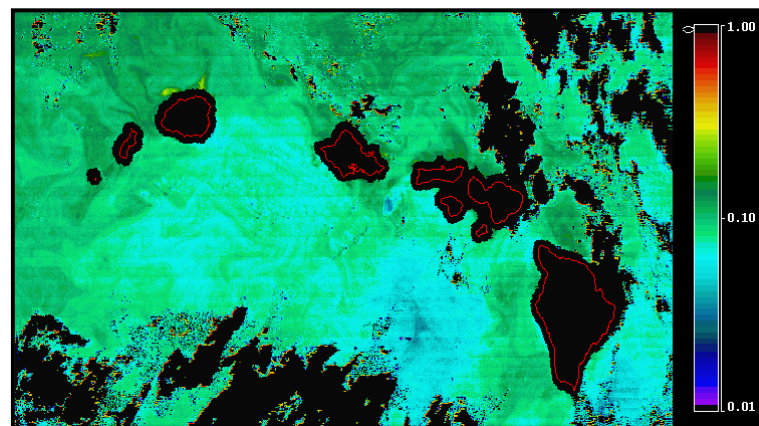
Impact on bio-optical algorithm



Application to MODIS image



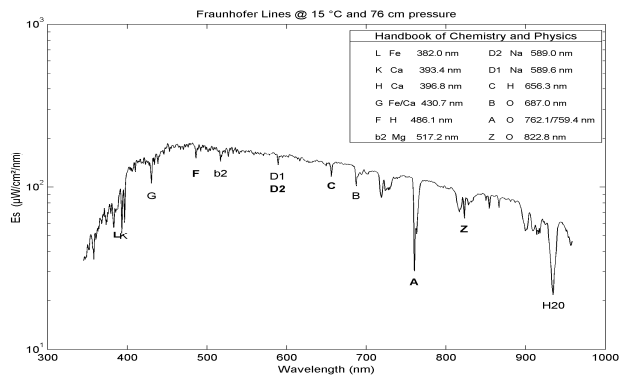
Before stray light correction



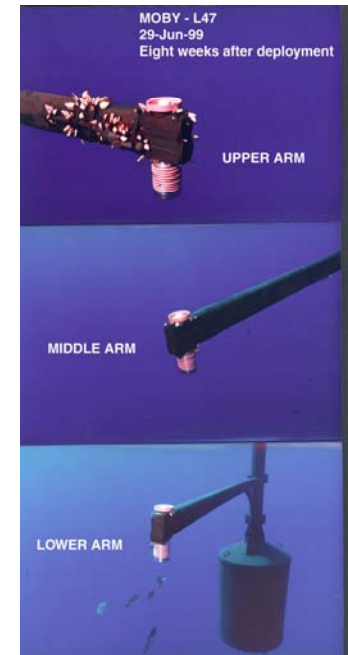
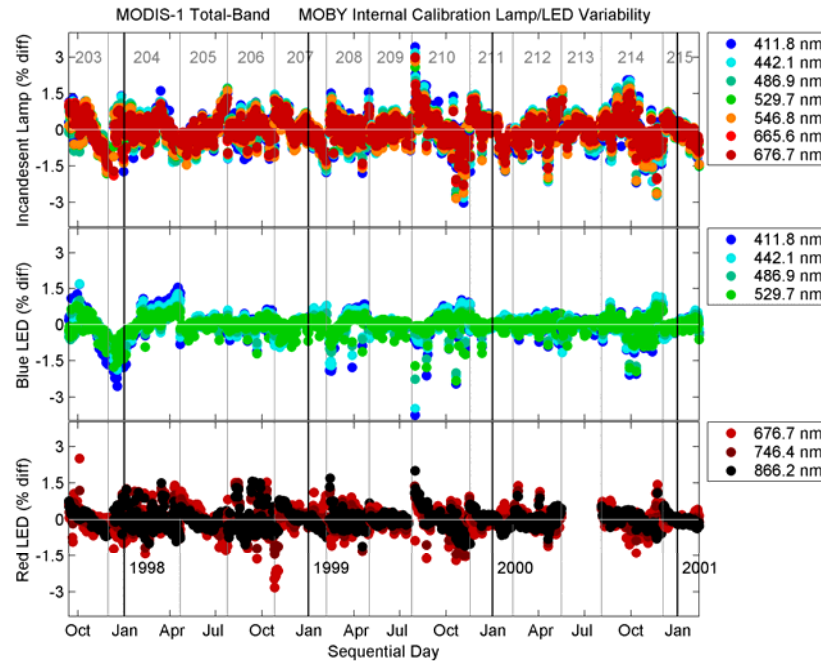
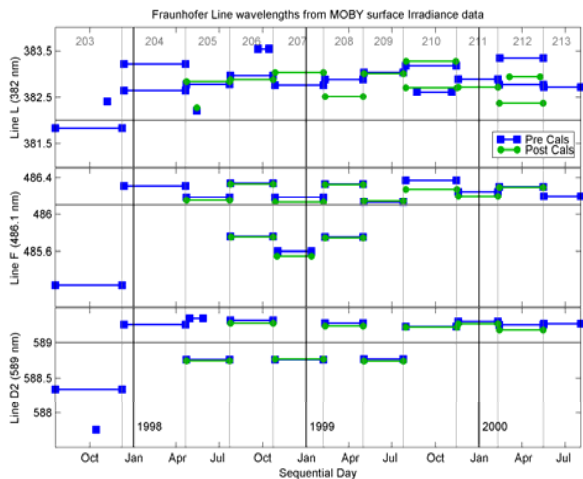
After stray light correction

Tracking long term stability

- Fraunhofer solar absorption lines
- Internal reference lamps
- Underwater diver Lamps
- Pre vs Post-Deployment lab calibrations
- Standard Lamp Monitors (SLM)



BSG λ approx. ± 0.6 nm



Inter-comparisons

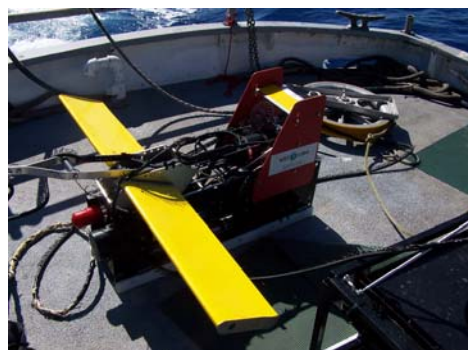
- 1992-96 **SIRREX** – *SeaWiFS Intercalibration Round-Robin Experiment*
- 2002 **SIMRIC** – *SIMBIOS Radiometric Intercomparison*
SIMBIOS - *Sensor Intercomparison & Merger for Biological & Interdisciplinary Ocean Studies*
- 2007 **SORTIE** - *Spectral Ocean Radiance Transfer Investigation and Experiment*

C.Trees, A.Barnard, M.Twardowski, K.Voss, R.Zaneveld, C.Johnson, MOBY team

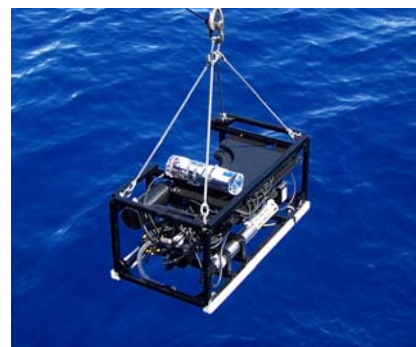
- AOP's – MOBY & Satlantic HyperPro: $Lu(z)$, $Ed(z)$, Es , $L(\theta, \phi)$
- IOP's – towed & profiling = absorption, attenuation, backscattering
DOLPHIN (ACS AC9 ECOVSF ECOBB3), MASCOT (AC9 VSF AUVB SAM CTD)
NuRADS – Upwelling Radiance Distribution: BRDF
- Blind calibration intercomparison – Lu , Ed via NIST sources & VXR



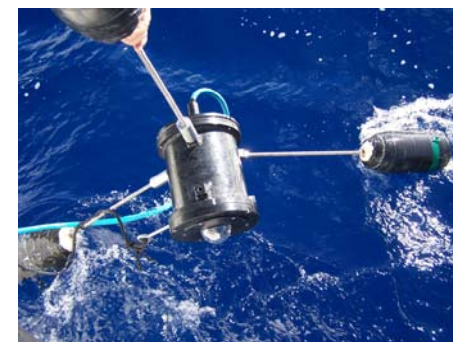
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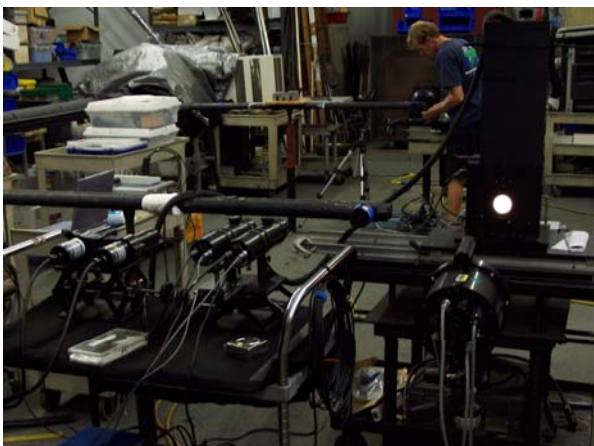
DOLPHIN (tow, profile)



MASCOT (profile)



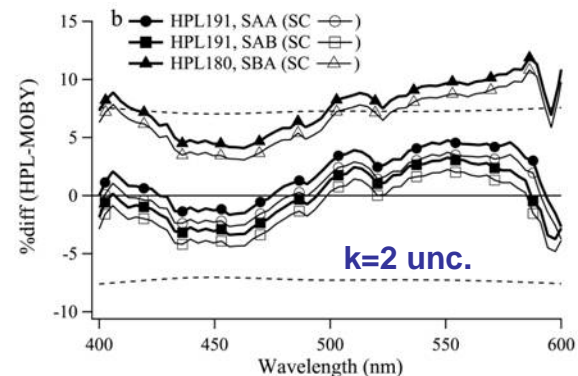
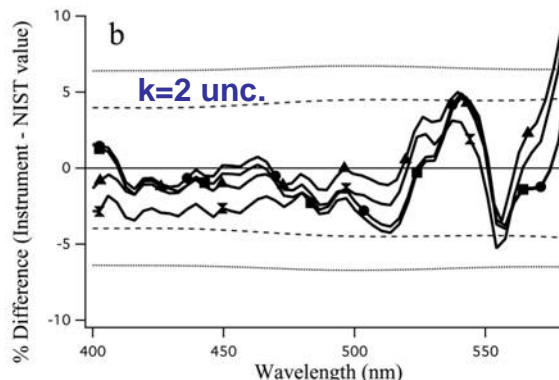
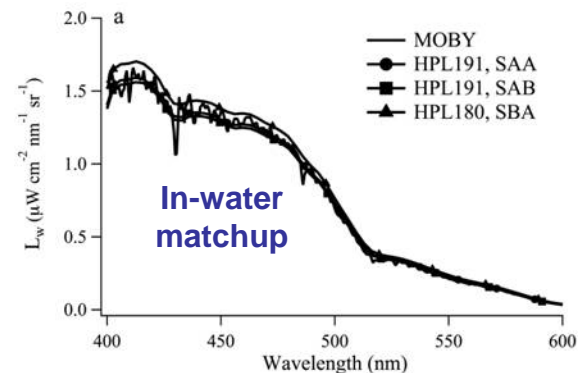
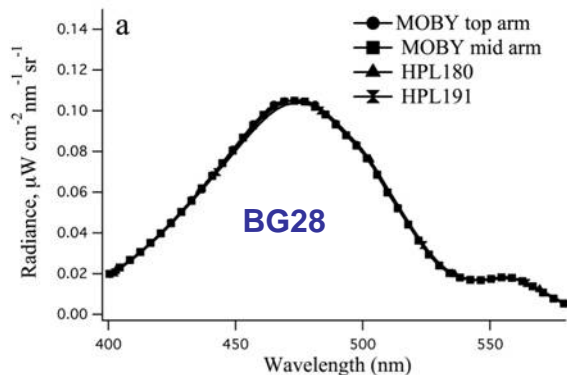
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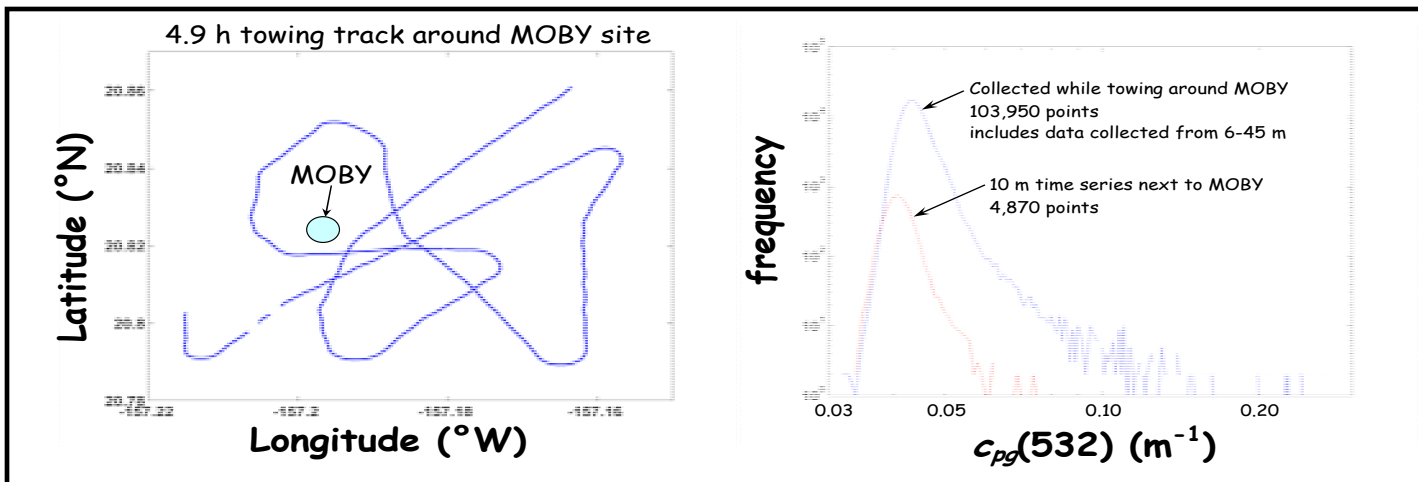
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↑ HPL ↑ SLM ↑ MOBY ↑ VXR
Laboratory Intercomparison



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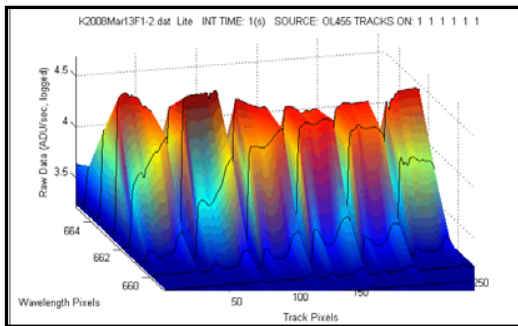


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Future Goals: MOBY-C

- Multi-channel fiber-coupled hyperspectral imaging spectrograph
- Simultaneous measurements – reduce environmental source of uncertainty (solar zenith angle, atmospheric conditions, depth, wave focusing)
- Relocate power to mooring (reduce size of optical buoy)

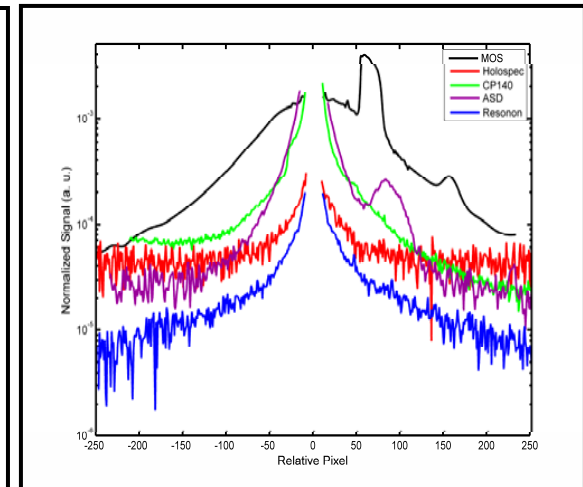
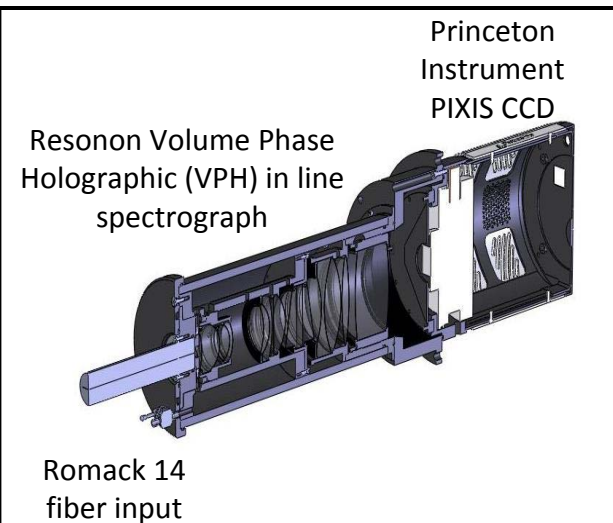
Simultaneous Observations with 6 inputs



2006, Field-testing a suitable MOBY Replacement



Key parameters of Imaging Spectrometers		
Parameter	Blue	Red
Size (cm)	13.7 x 41.7	13.7 x 43.2
Spectral coverage (nm)	370 – 720	500 – 900
Spectral resolution (nm)	0.34	0.39
Img at focal plane (mm)	13 x 13	13 x 13
Slit dimensions (mm)	13 x 0.025	13 x 0.025
Thermal effect (pix/°C)	< 0.05 pixel	< 0.05 pixel
Throughput (%)	75 at 430nm	73 at 700nm
Ghosting / Stray Light	<0.5%420nm	<0.6%520nm



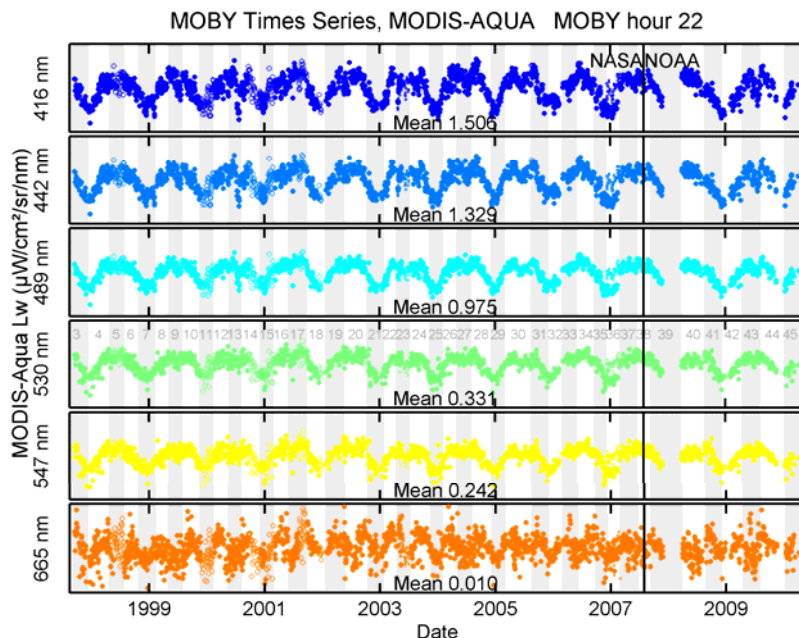
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Future Goals – Uncertainty Analysis

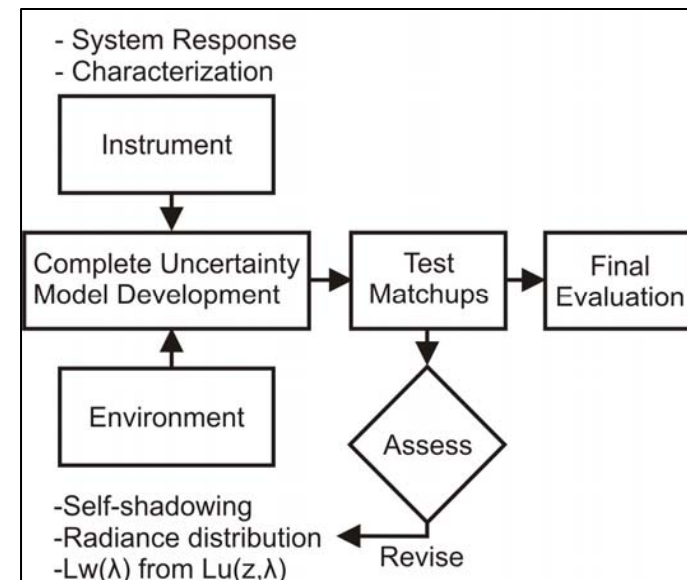
- Search for & identify sources of bias
- Develop correction algorithms
- Validate corrections, where possible
- Produce time-dependent unc. product
- Sensitivity study – impact of MOBY unc. on ocean color time-series

To-Do List:

- Reduce cal lamp unc. via SLM & VXR
- SLC deployments prior to 2008
- Thermally characterize odd MOS
- Mueller Shadowing Model corrections
- Goniometric corrections to Es data
- Immersion coefficient uncertainties
- Upwelling Radiance distribution model
- Extrapolation through sea surface unc.
- Evaluate time-series for trends

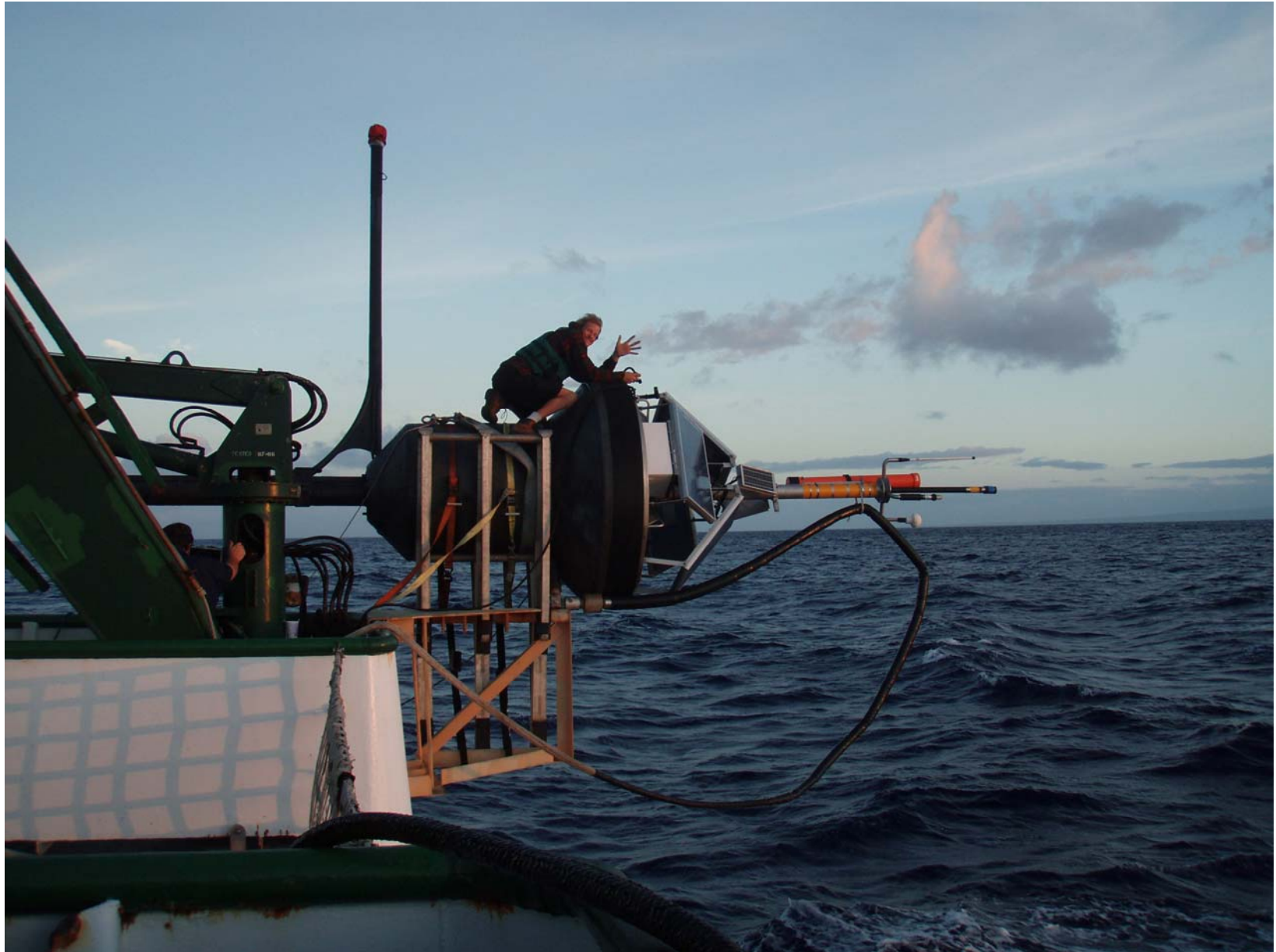


The MOBY data set from 1997 to present, band-averaged via MODIS aqua RSRs.



The MOBY uncertainty model approach: the backbone is the uncertainty model

Thank You – Grazie Mille !



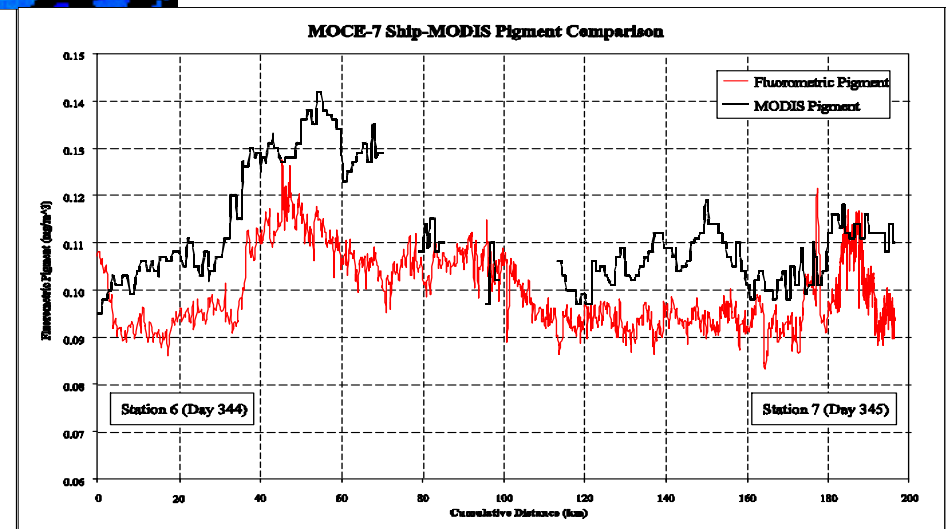
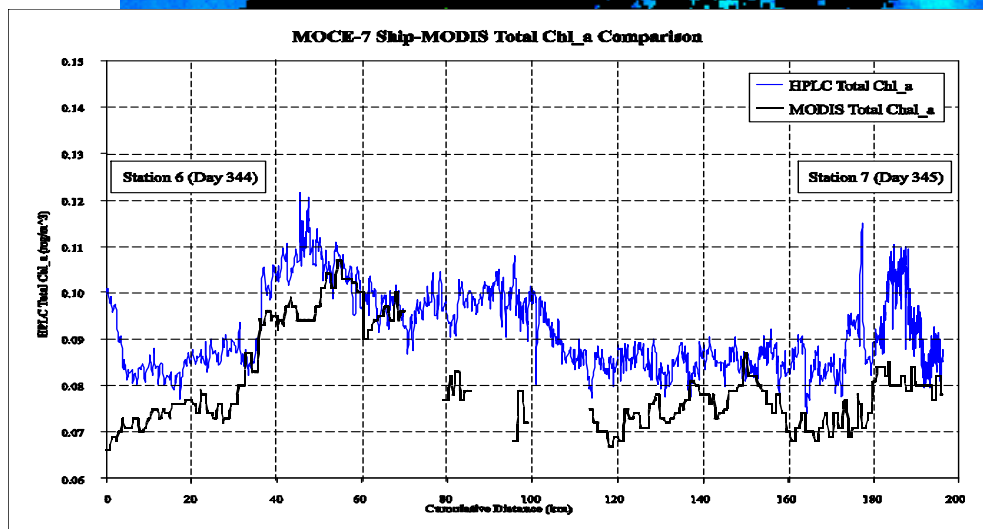
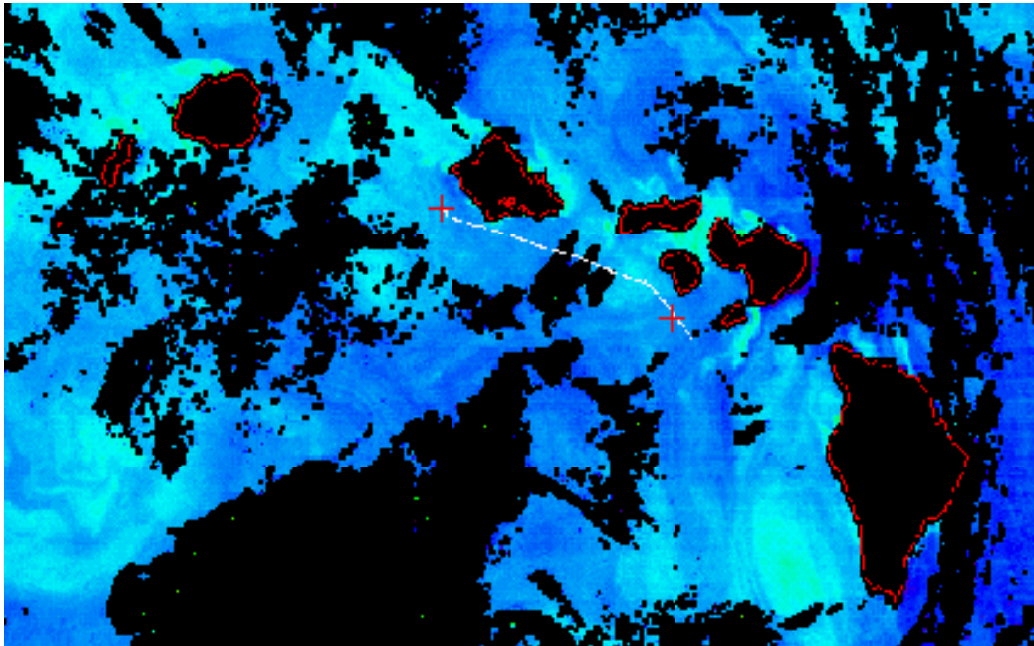
Backup Material

Site Characterization (example #1)

Dec-2000 MOCE-7: MODIS Day 345 ship track

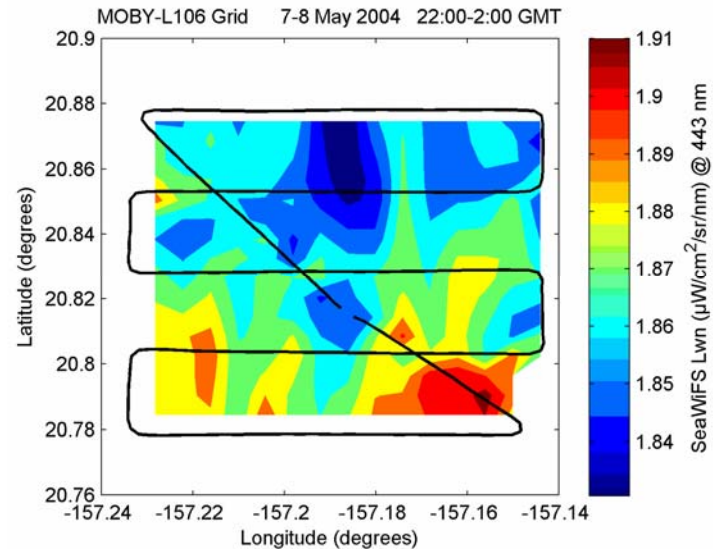
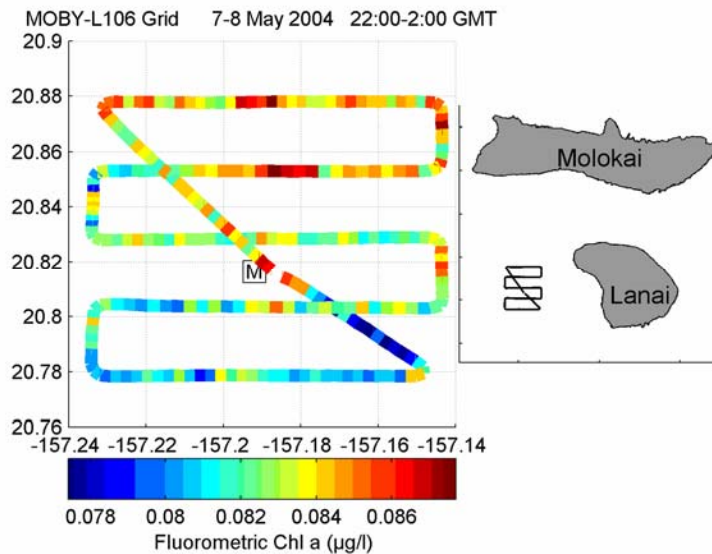
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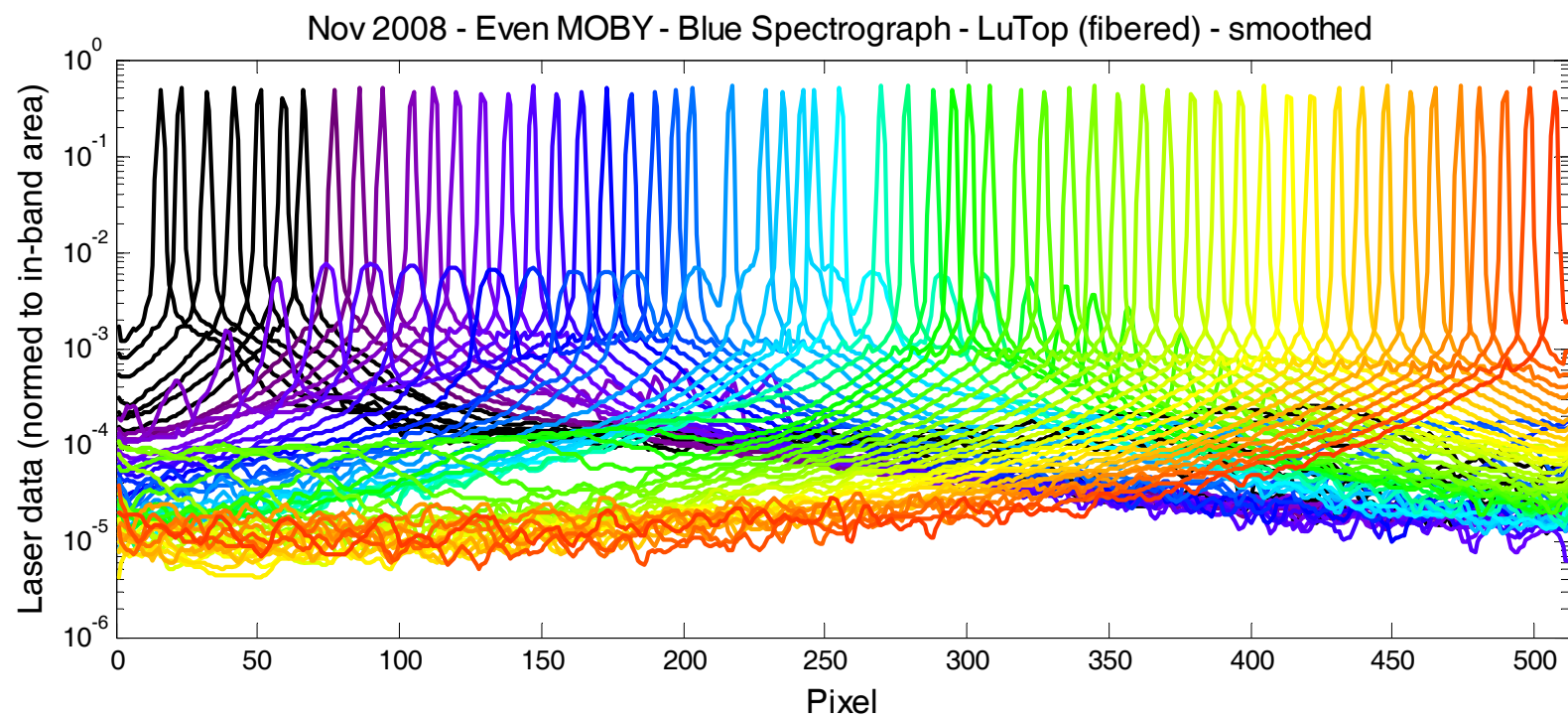
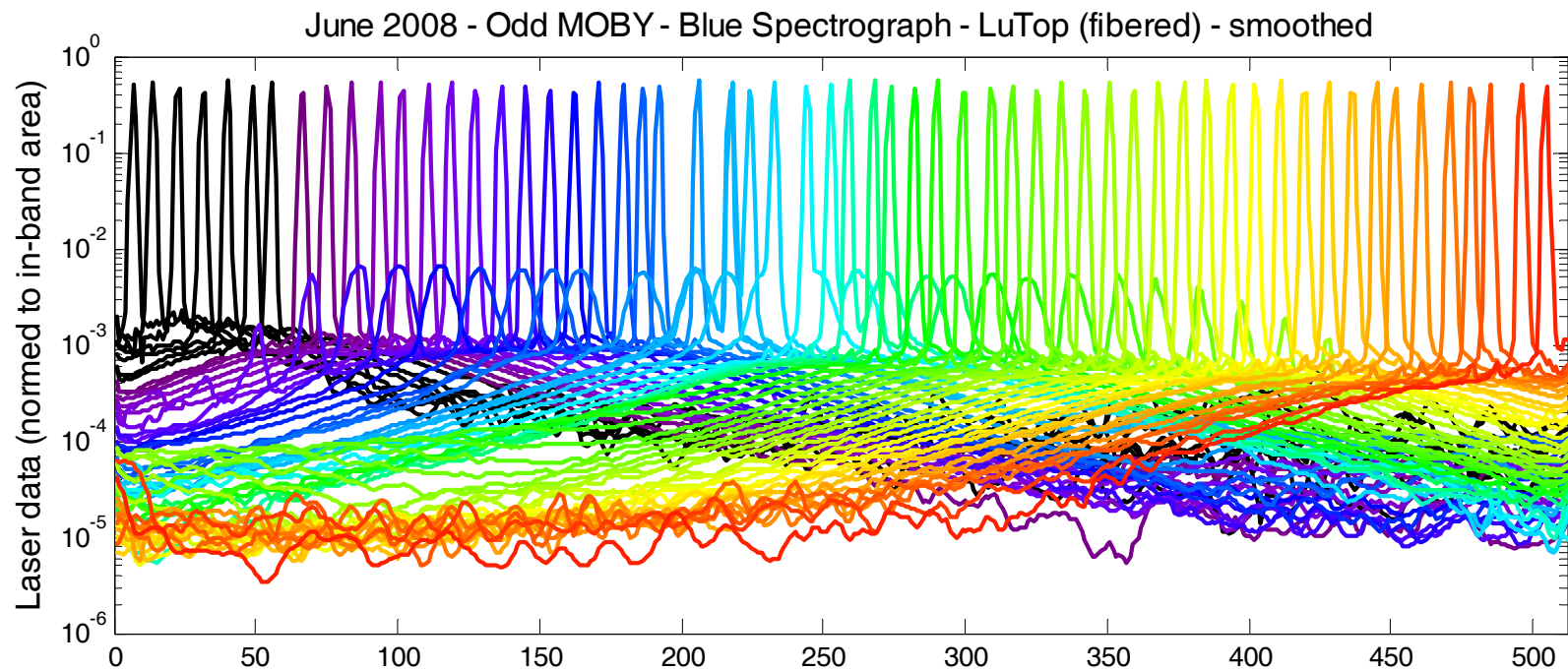


Site Characterization (example #2)

May 2004: 10 x 12 km grid of fluorometrically determined chl-*a* at MOBY coincident with MODIS Aqua overpass: mean 0.083 mg/l, stdev 2.5 %.
Converted to $L_w(443) = 1.87 \text{ mW/cm}^2/\text{sr/nm}$, stdev = 0.98 %.



The MODIS Aqua chl-*a* product extracted for the grid coordinates (excluding duplicate measurements, clouds, measurements near clouds) mean = 0.07 mg/l, stdev = 37%, for 20 matchups.



Changes in the MOS204 stray light performance are associated with instrument relative humidity, with a single event resulting in a permanent effect.

