

AEROCOM Workshop

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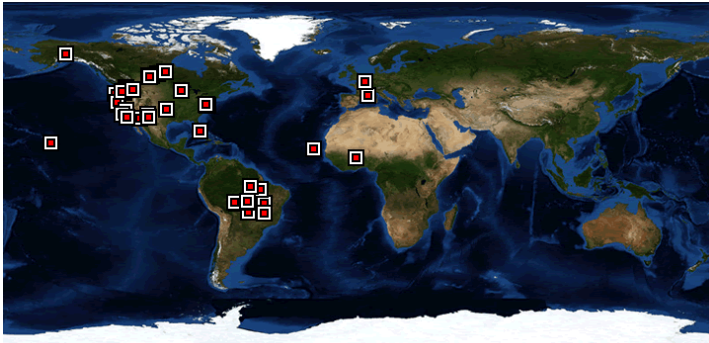
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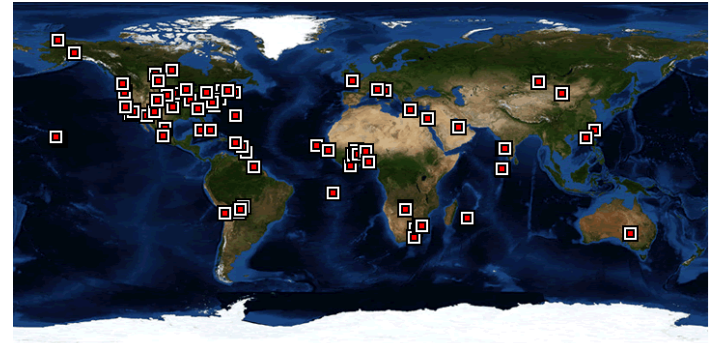
Outline

- Distribution
- Data Products
- Improvements
 - AOD retrievals (direct sun measurements)
 - Inversions retrievals (Sun and Sky)
- Synergism

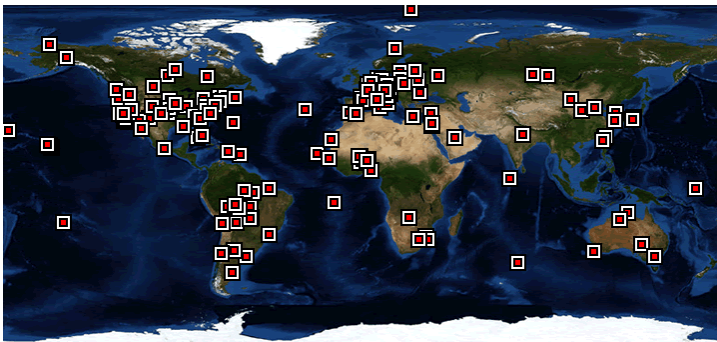
Data Distribution 1993-2006



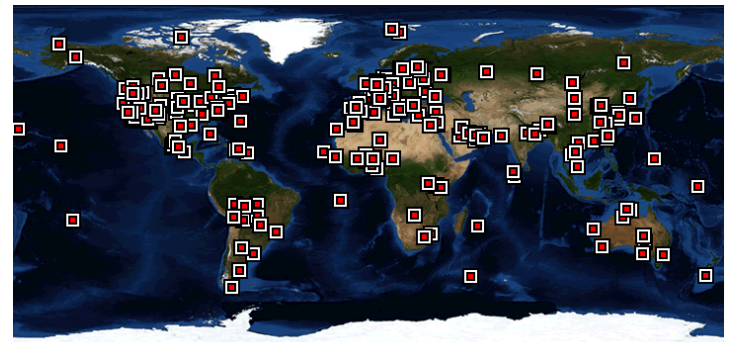
1994-22 Sites



1998- 78 Sites



2002- 162 Sites



2006- 192+ Sites

Version 1 Inputs & Processing Algorithms

- Extraterrestrial Solar Flux - Neckel and Labs 1981; and Frohlich and Wehrli 1981
- Rayleigh optical depth - Edlen 1966
- Ozone amount - LUT (5°x 5° Lat Long) - London et al. 1976
- Water vapor content - Bruegge et al. 1992; Reagan et al. 1992
- Water vapor correction for AOD (1020 nm) - none
- CO₂, CH₄, WV for AOD (1640 nm)

Version 2 Inputs & Processing Algorithms

- Extraterrestrial Solar Flux - Woods et al. 1996
- Rayleigh optical depth - Bodhaine et al. 1999
- NCEP surface air pressure 6 hrly
- NO₂ Sciamachie monthly climatology (3 yr)
- Ozone amount - Monthly LUT (1°x 1.25° Lat Long) - from TOMS O₃ 1979-2004
- Water vapor content - Michalsky et al. 1995; Schmid et al. 1996
- Water vapor correction for AOD (1020 nm) - LBLRTM
- CO₂, CH₄, WV for AOD (1640 nm) - LBLRTM

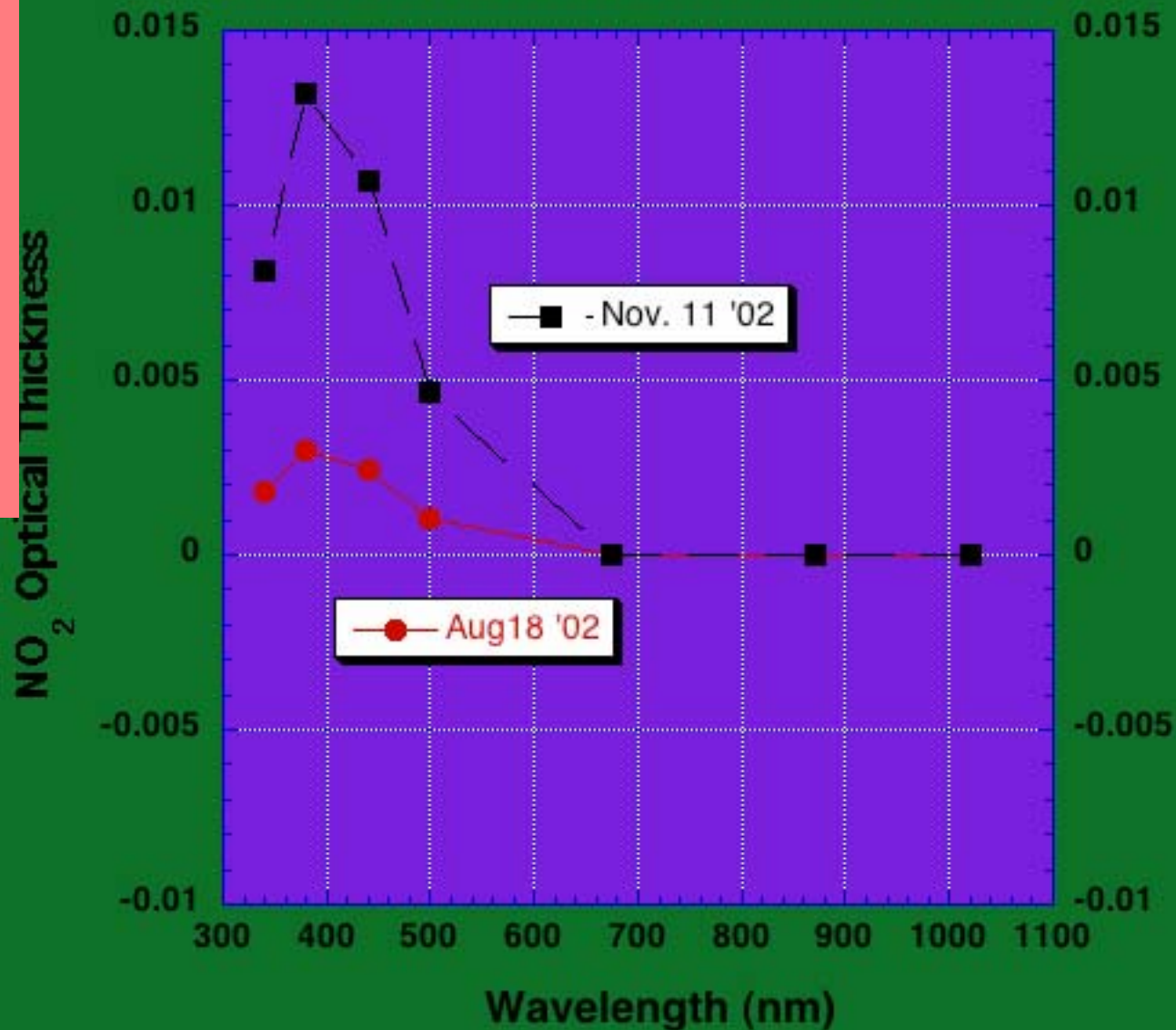
Ispra, Italy-Ver. 2 NO₂ OT

Correction from GOME 1996-2003

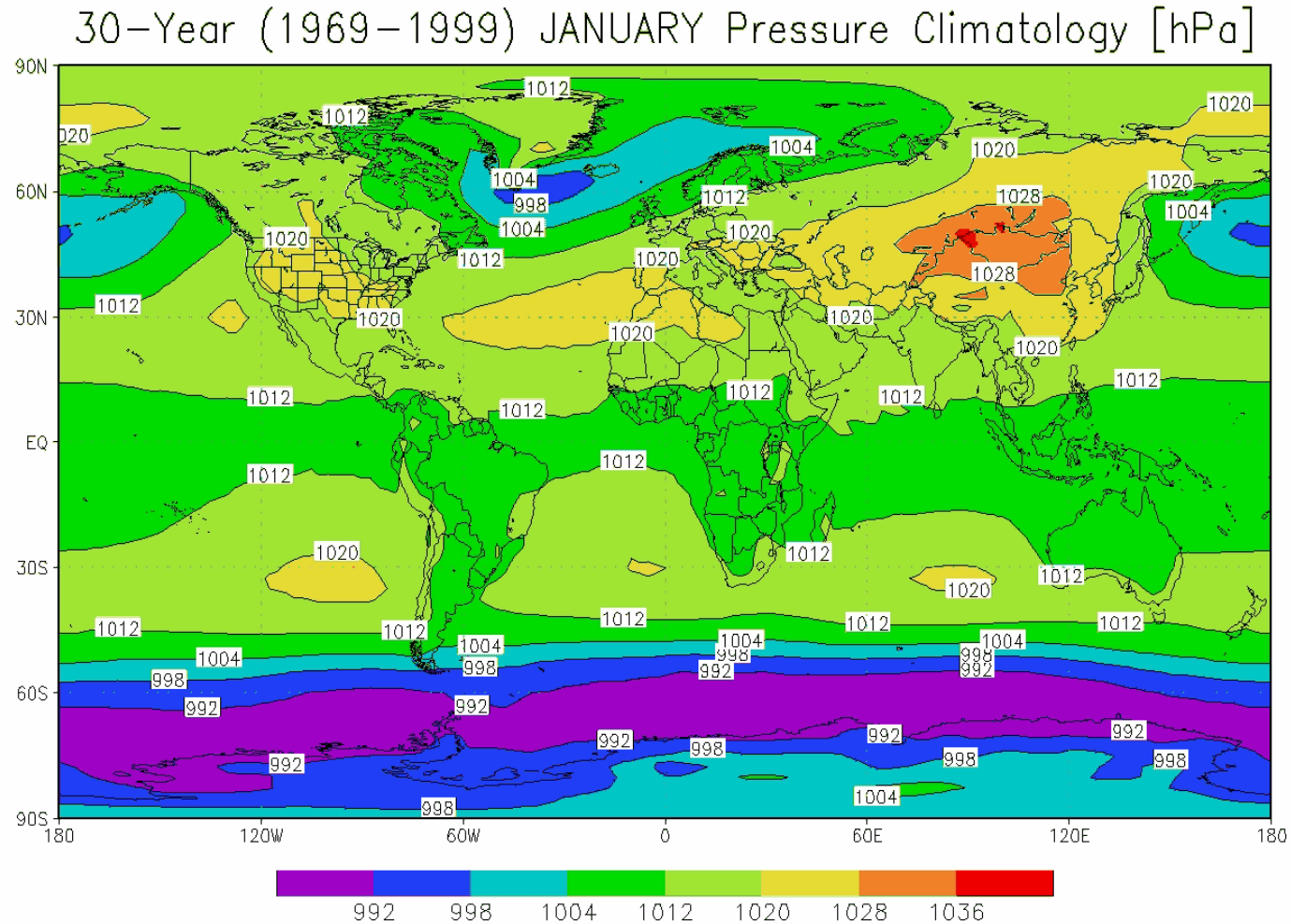
GOME data base:
Boersma et al., 2004

NO₂ Abs. Coef:
N. Oneil, P. Comm.

Absorption Spectra:
Harder, 1997
Schneider, 1987
Lurter (1976)

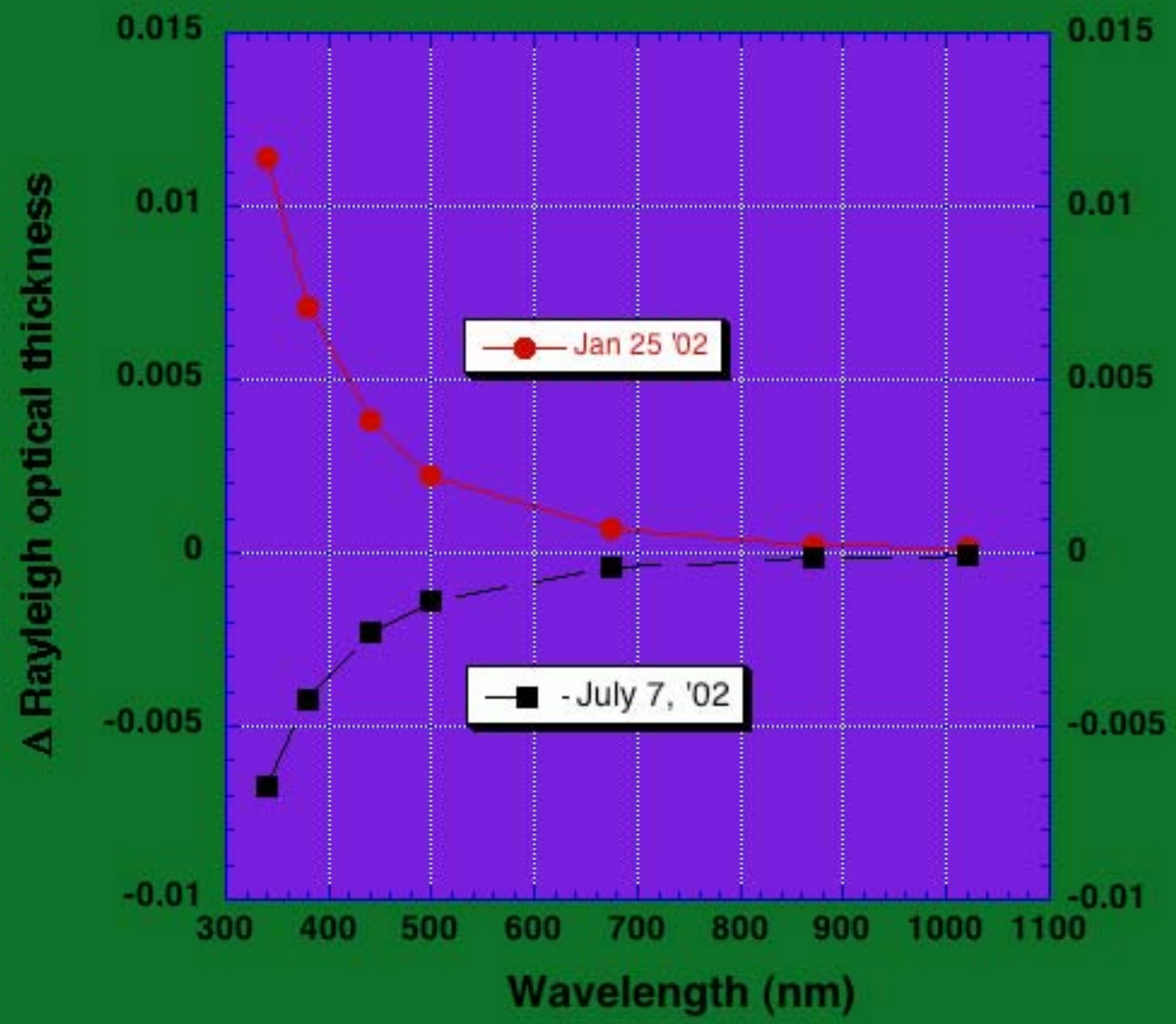


Thirty year NCEP surface pressure reanalysis climatology
Applied to real-time level 1.0 and 1.5 Rayleigh correction
AOT products, 6 hrly reanalysis applied to all levels ~+1Mo



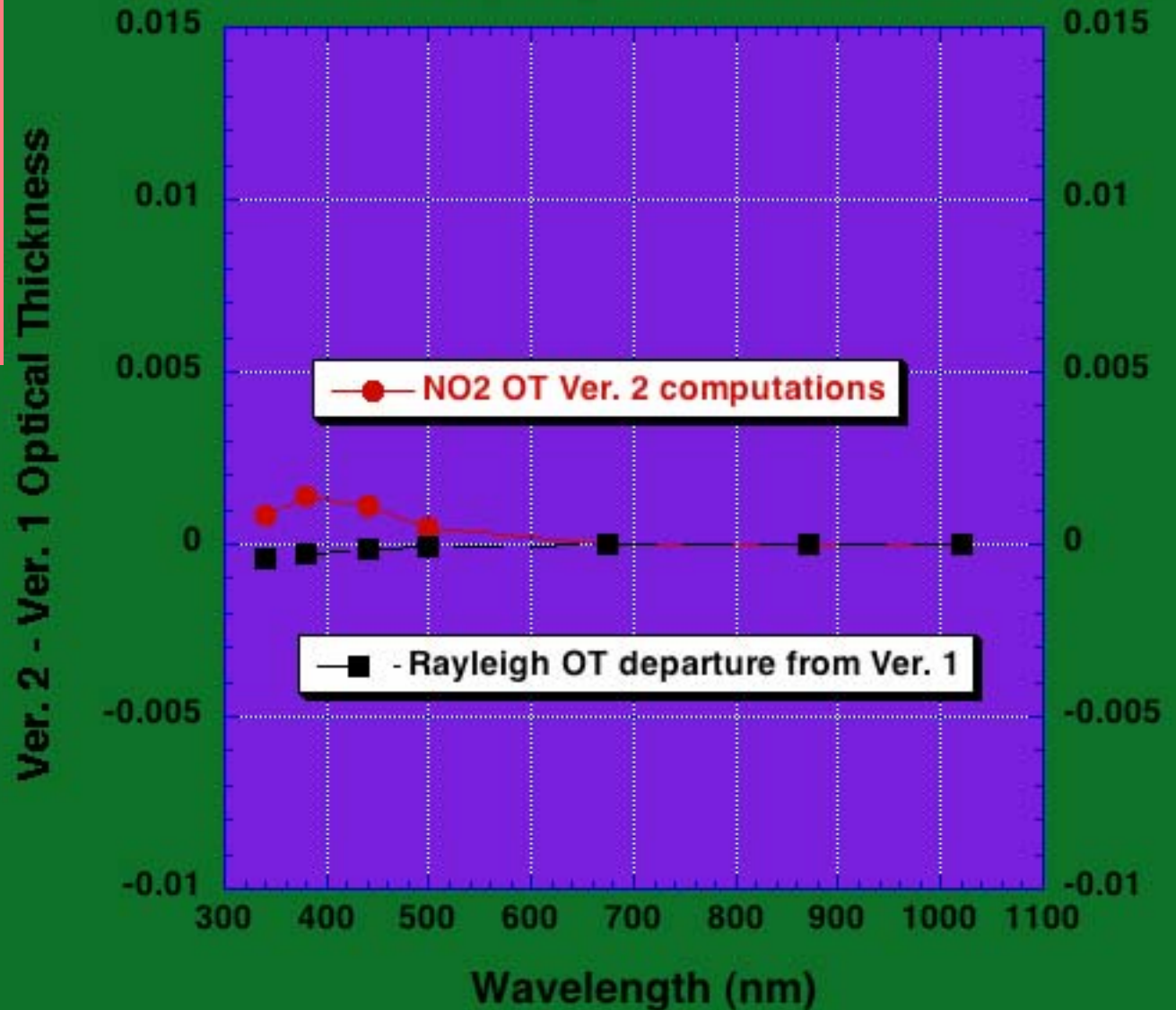
Bodhaine et al., 1999
Elevation (m)
NCEP (hPa, 1013.25)
Kistler et al., (2001)

Dalanzadgad, Mongolia: Ver. 2 (NCEP AP) Rayleigh OT Departure from Ver. 1 (1013.25 hPa)

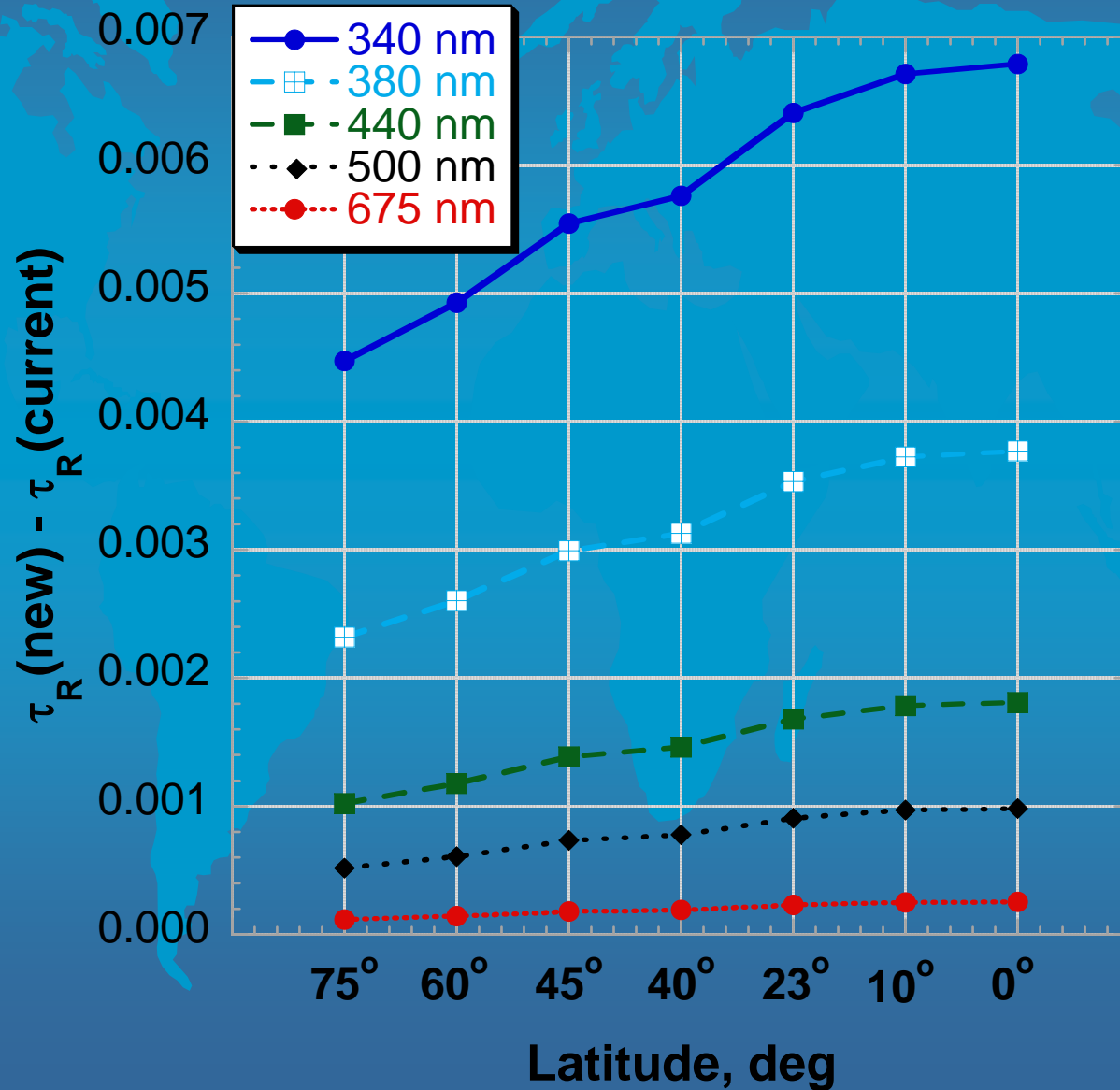


Most sites are well within the ± 0.01 to 0.02 uncertainty expected from a pre and post field calibrated instrument.

Tucson, Arizona--April 15, 2001 Typical case Ver. 2 NO₂ and Rayleigh OT enhancements



Rayleigh Optical Depth



Ver. 2 Inversion Products

- **Size distribution (volume)**
 - C_v , r_v , σ , r_{eff} for total, fine and coarse modes
- **% Sphericity Parameter**
- **Spectral Phase function; Asymmetry Parameter**
- **Spectral Extinction optical depth**
- **Spectral Absorption Optical depth**
- **Spectral Single Scattering Albedo**
- **Spectral Complex index of refraction**
- **Error bars for all individual retrievals**

Version 2 Calculated Products

Instantaneous:

- Spectral upward and downward fluxes (TOA and BOA)
- Broadband upward and downward fluxes (TOA and BOA)
- Radiative forcing (TOA and BOA)
- Radiative forcing efficiency (TOA and BOA)

Measurement sequences

- Almucantars ~ 8/day $\theta_o > 50^\circ$
- Principal Plane ~9/day all day

Version 1

- Almuqantar Retrievals (Four Wavelengths)
 - RadPak (Nakajima et al. 1996); Spherical particle model
 - Dubovik & King (2000)
 - Spherical particle model
 - Spheroid particle model

Complications: Additional wavelengths, PP inversions, two models, variable surface reflectance

Solution: Bi-component model Dubovik et al., (2006); Invert all available data (λ); Input dynamic reflectance

Version 2 Assumptions:

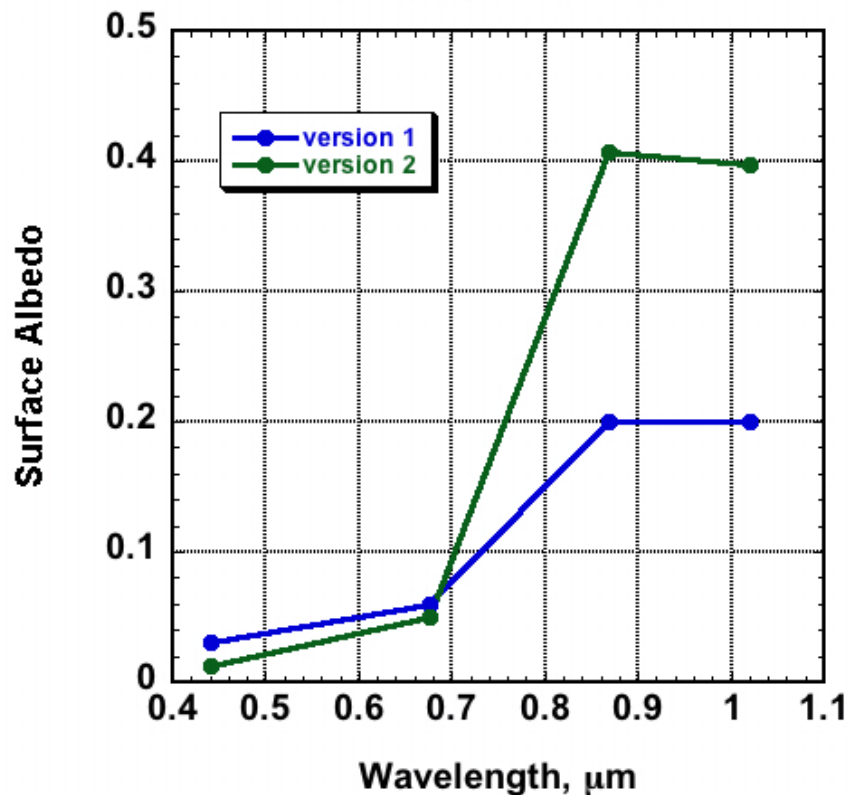
- Two component distribution
 - Spherical
 - Ensemble of polydispersed homogeneous spheres
 - Constant complex index of refraction for all sizes
 - Non-spherical
 - Mixture of polydispersed randomly oriented spheroids (Mishchenko et al. 1997)
 - Fixed Aspect ratio distribution (Dubovik et al. (2006a))
 - Fit to lab measured dust scattering matrix, Volten et al. (2001)
- Atmosphere is plane-parallel
- Vertical distribution of aerosol
 - Almucantars: homogeneous
 - Principal Plane: bi-layered (TBD)
- Retrieval errors are estimated under the assumption of uncorrelated log-normally distributed measurement errors
 - Optimization accounts for different levels of accuracy
 - $\tau(\lambda)$ assumed ± 0.01
 - Std dev. Sky radiance error is assumed 5%, Dubovik et al. (2004)

Version 2 Assumptions (cont.):

- **Dynamic Surface Reflectance (Sinyuk et al., 2006)**
 - **Water surface BRDF approximated by Cox-Munk**
 - Wind speed from NCEP/NCAR reanalysis (6 hourly, 2.5x2.5°)
 - **Terrestrial surface BRDF approximated by Li-Ross model (Lucht and Roujean, 2000)**
 - BRDF parameters adapted from MODIS Ecotype generic BRDF models (Feng Gao, personal communication)
 - Albedo selected according to Ecotype map, Moody et al. (2005) [based on 16 day Modis composites]
- **Modified daily by:**
 - NISE SSM/I snow and ice extent, Nolin et al. (1998)
 - Modis snow cover map, Hall et al. (2002)

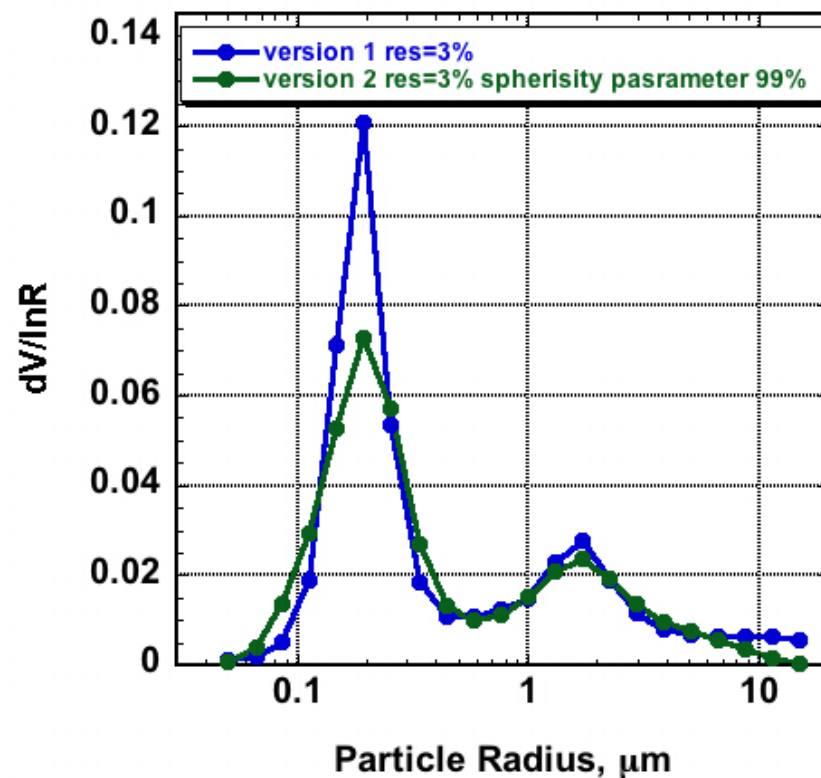
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GSFC JUNE 26 2000



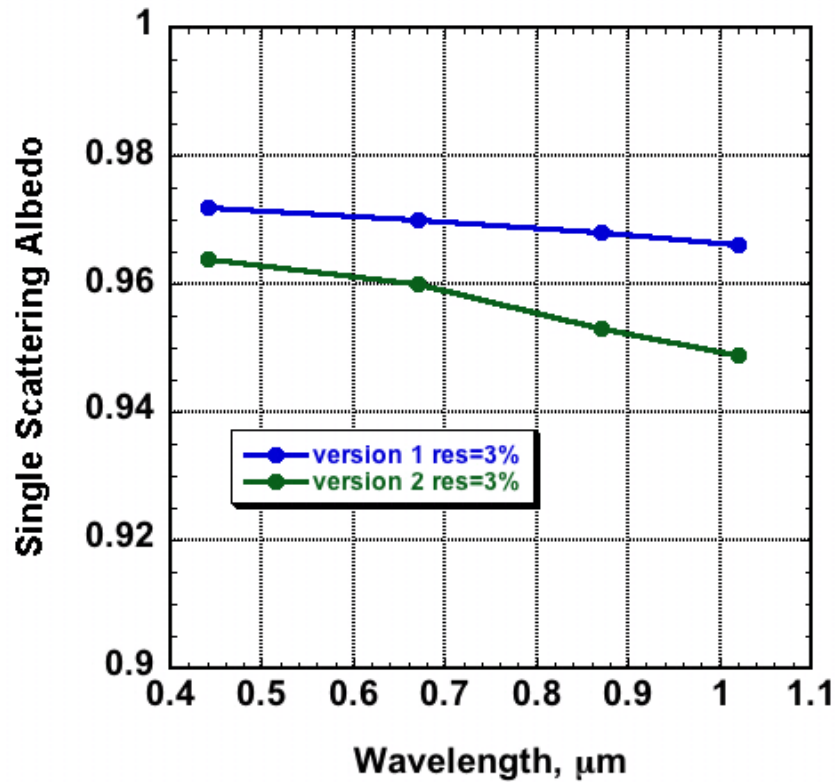
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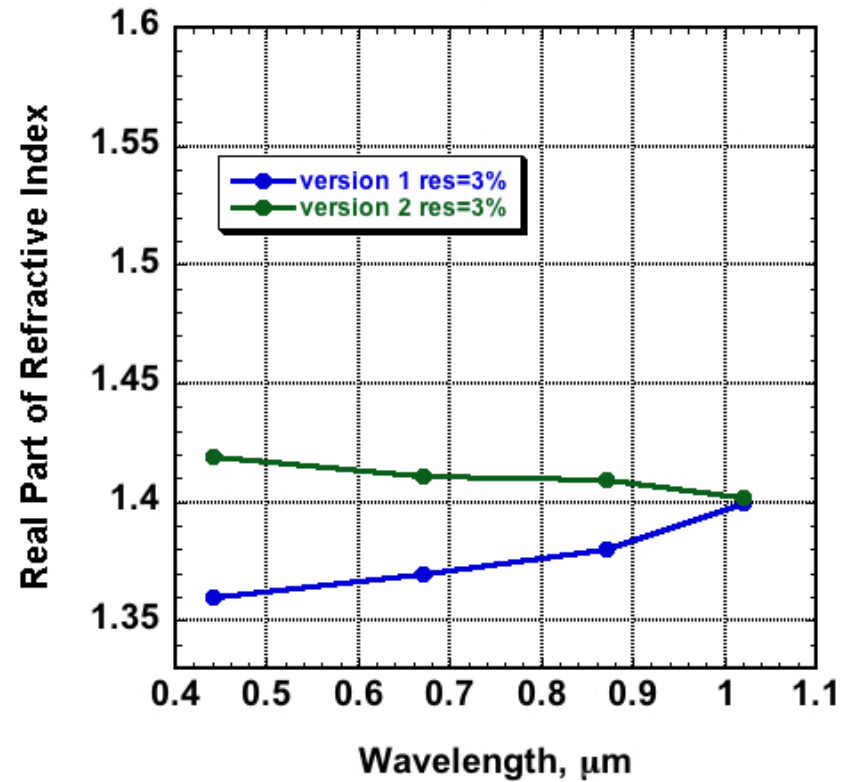


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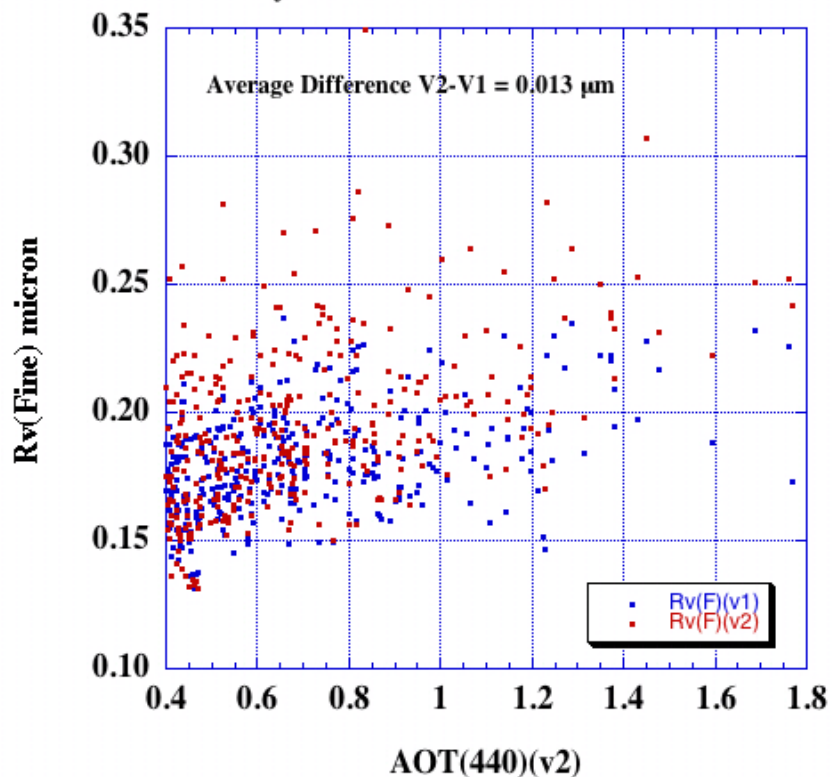


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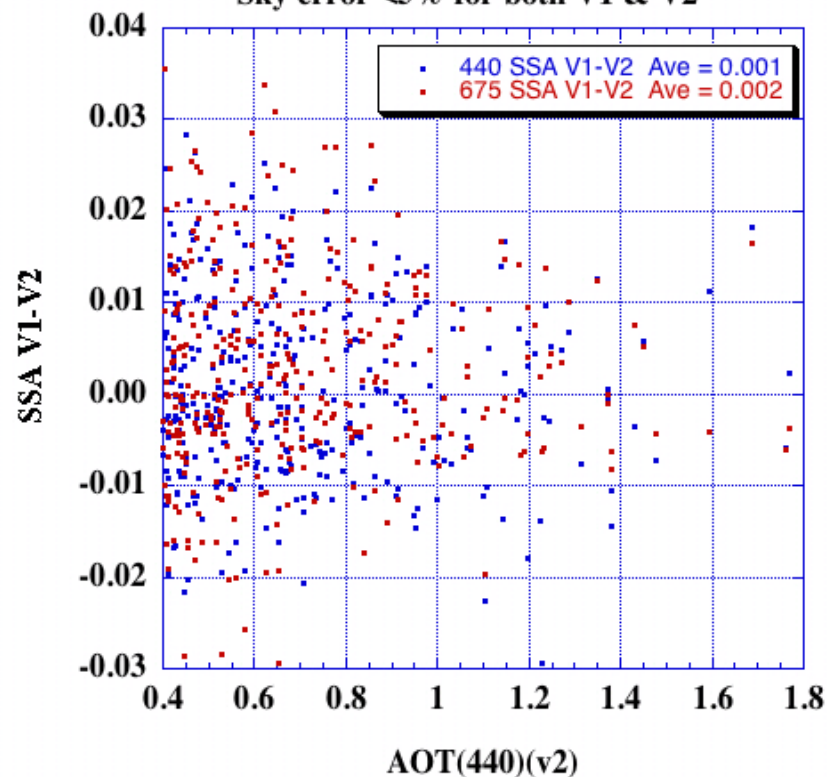


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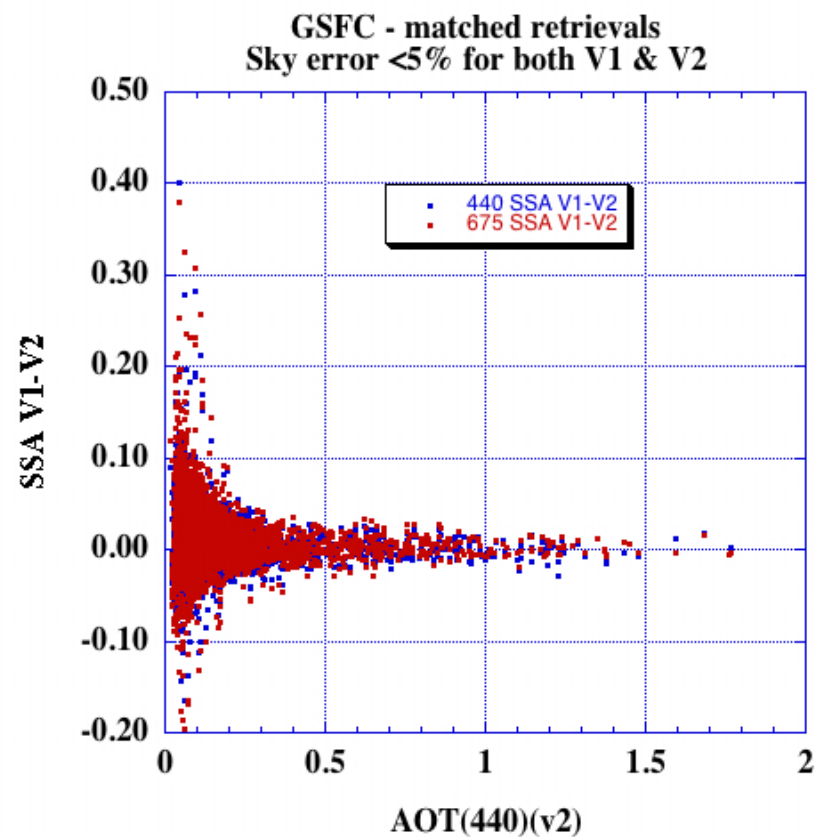
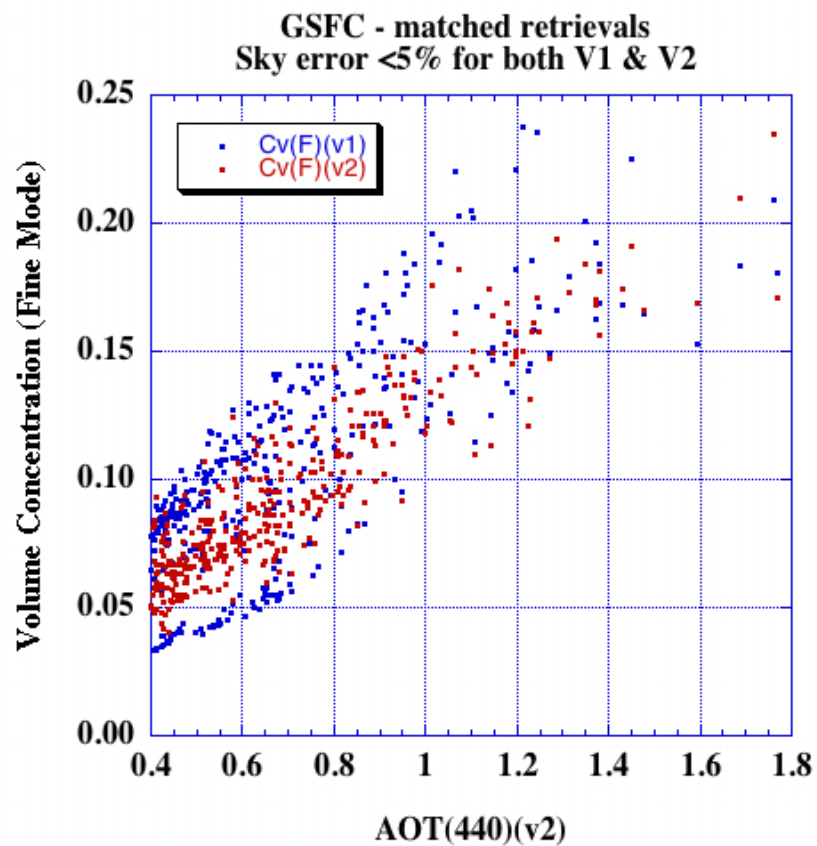
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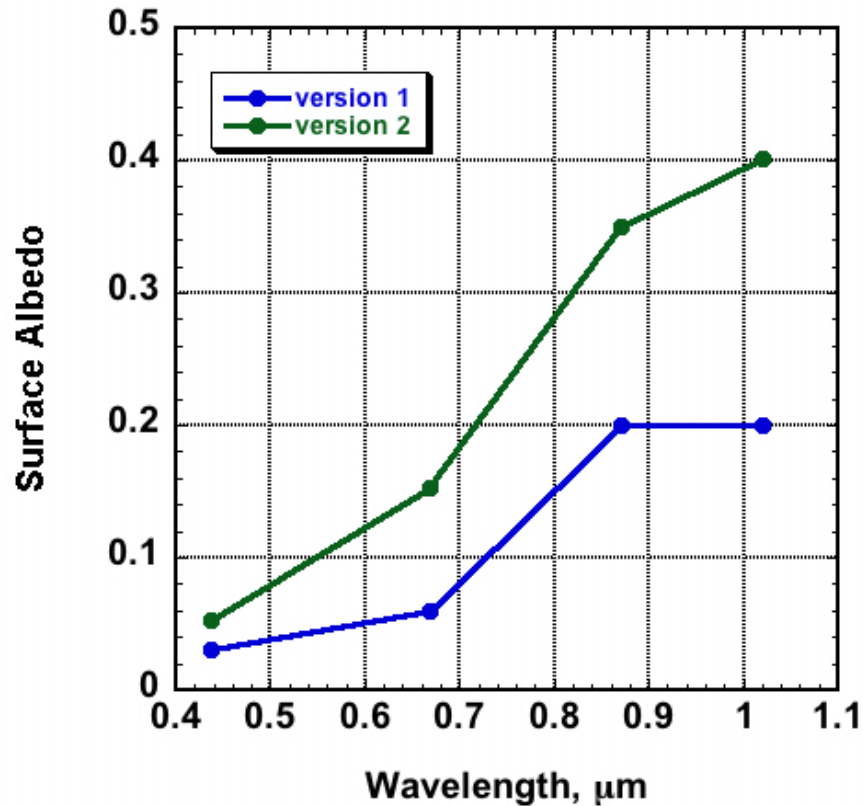


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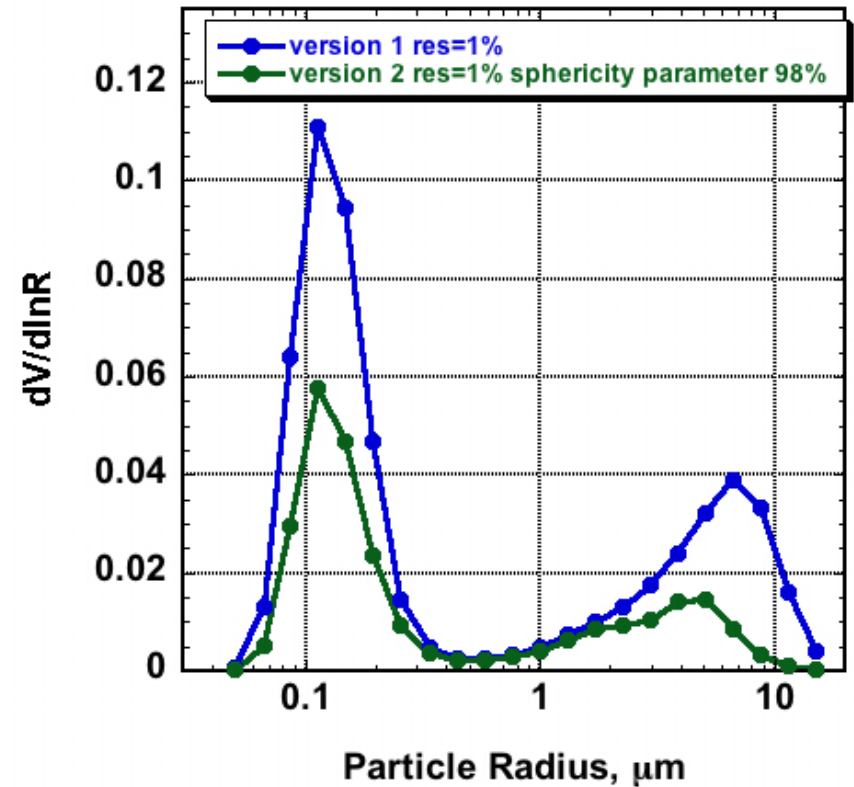
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MONGU OCTOBER 16 2001



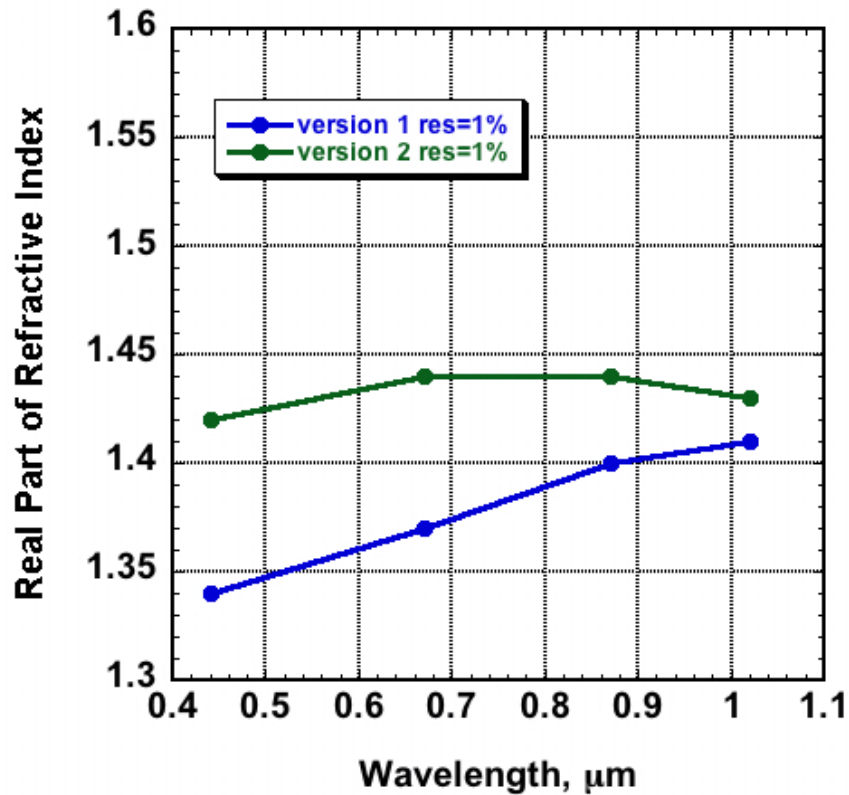
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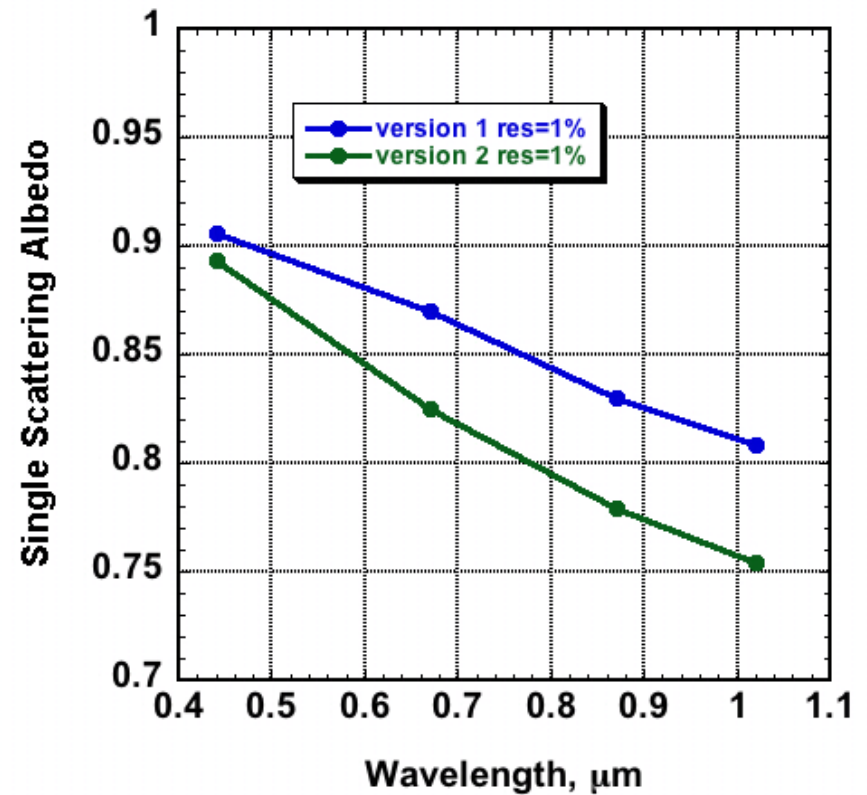


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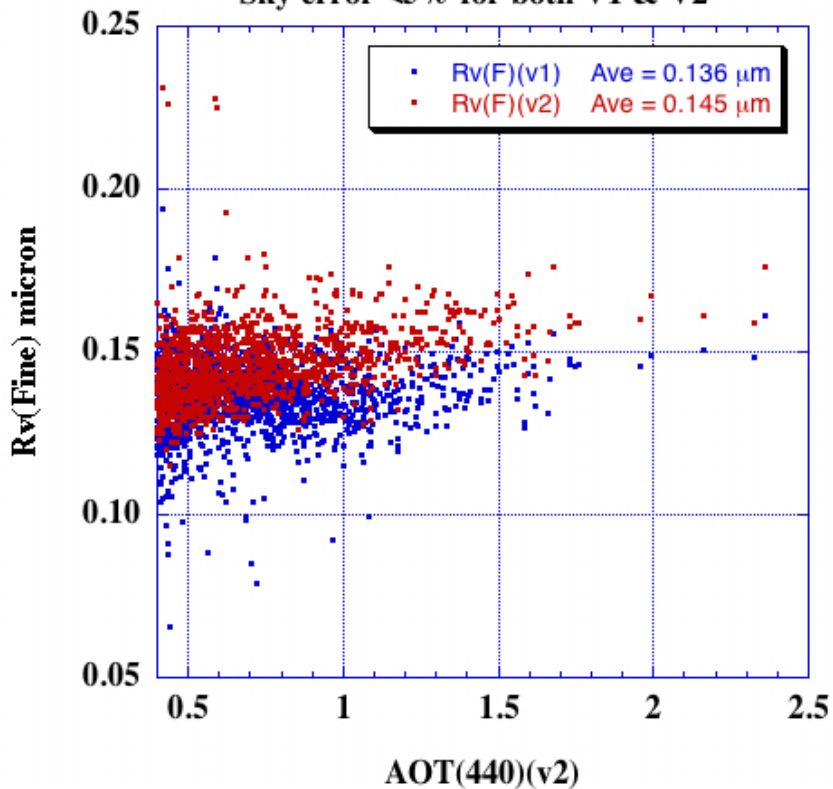


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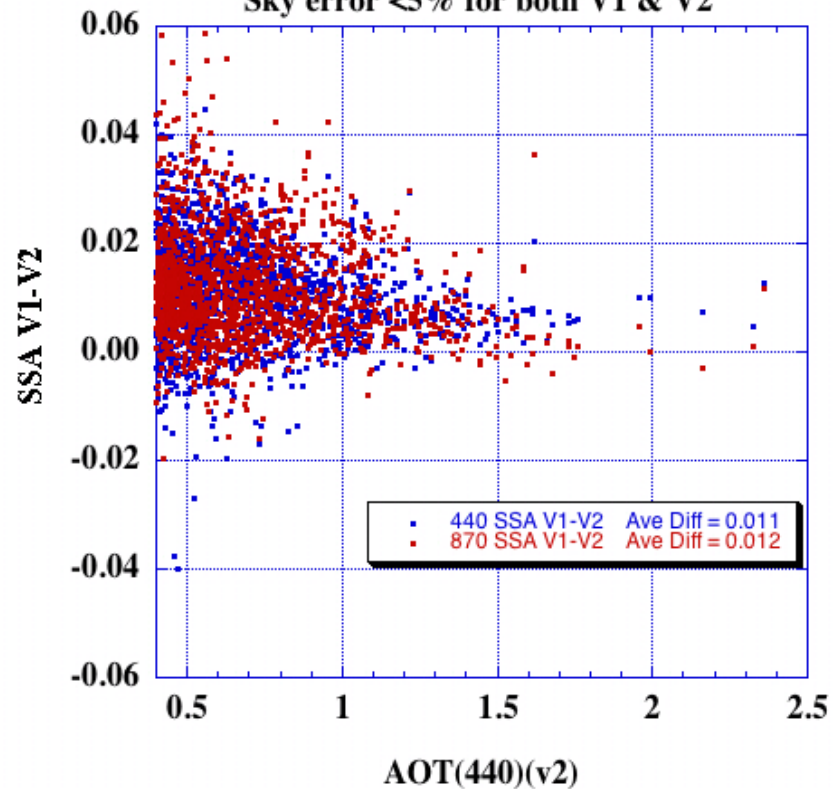


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Mongu, Zambia - matched retrievals
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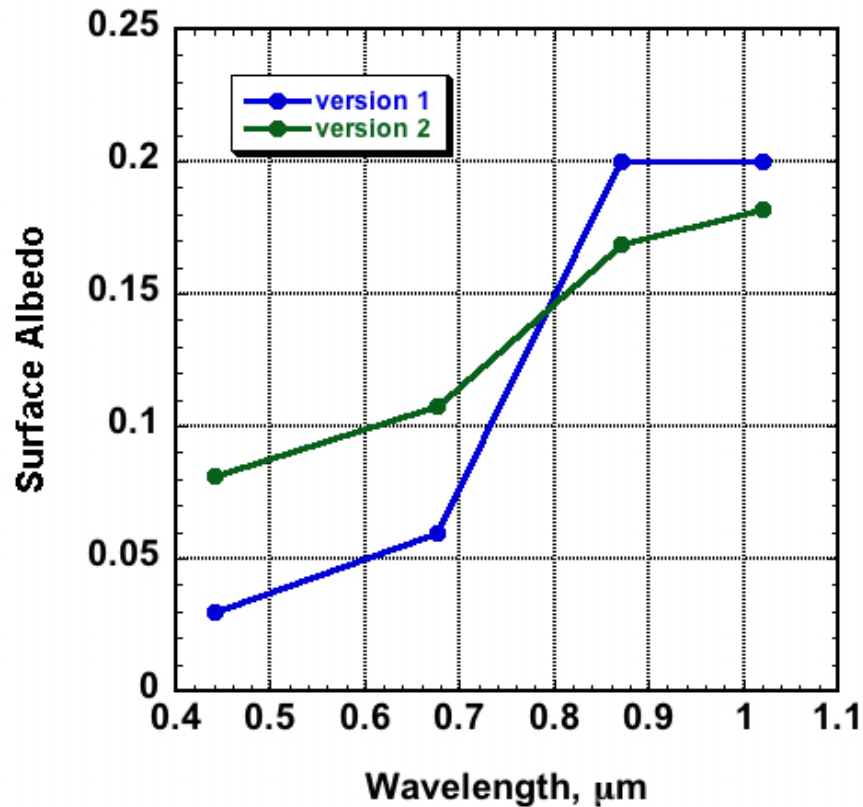


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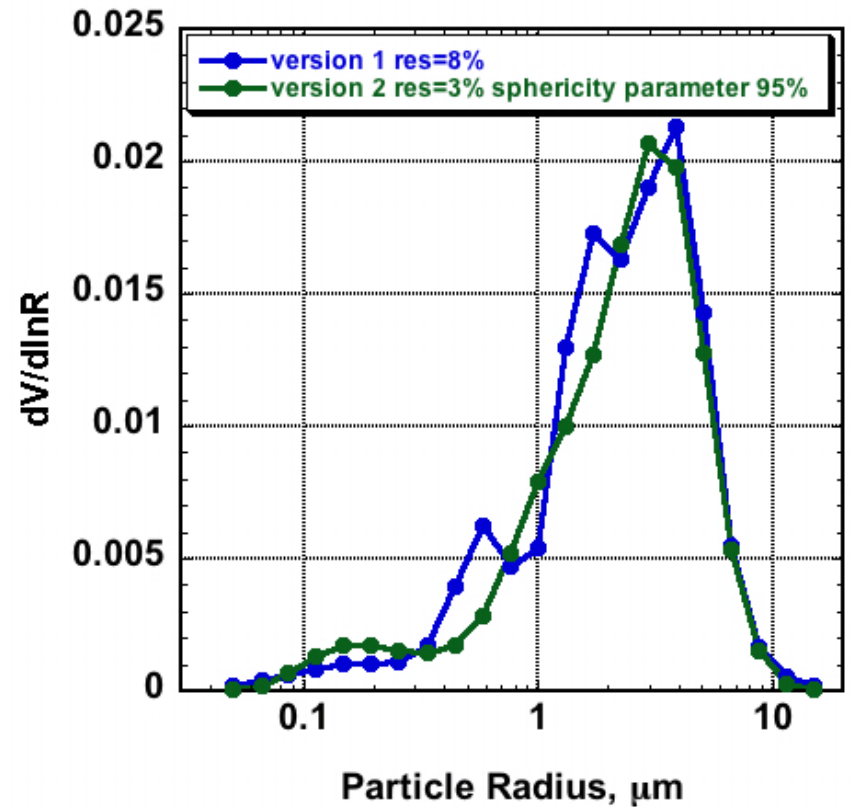


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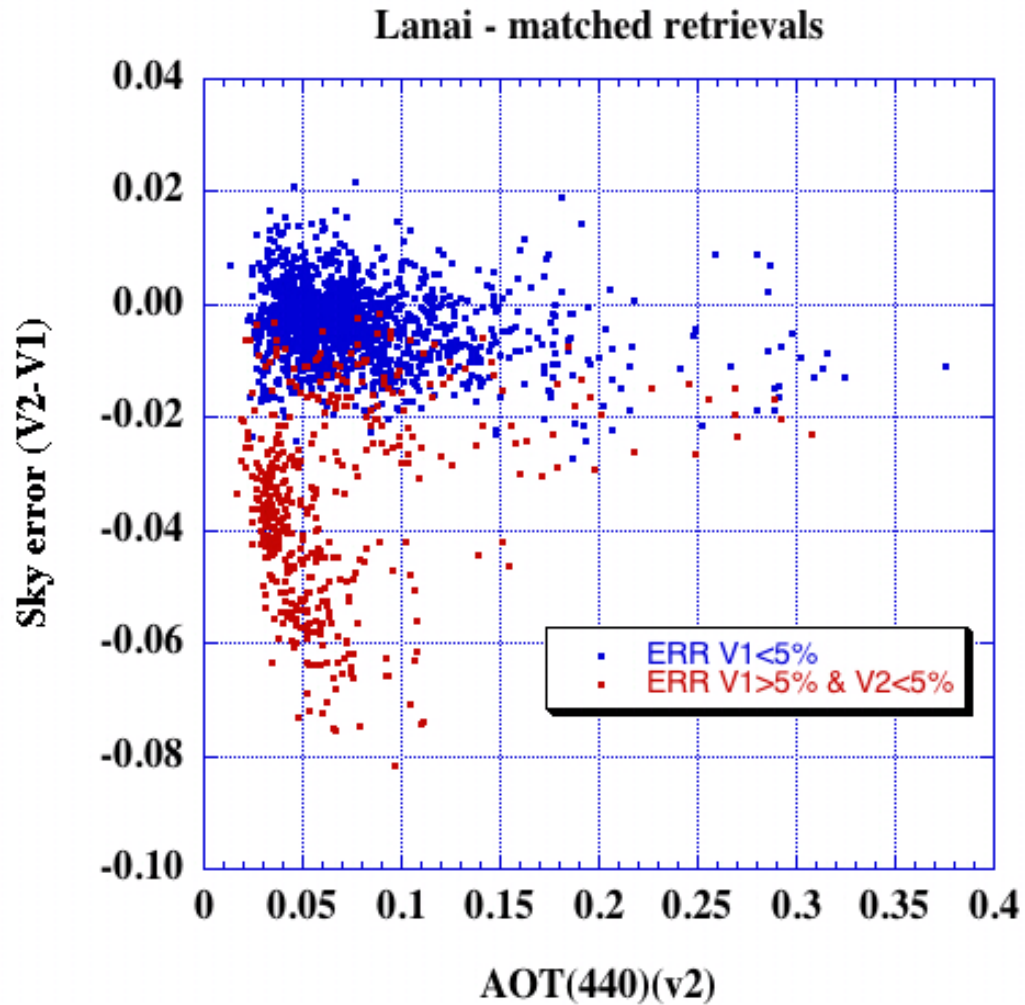
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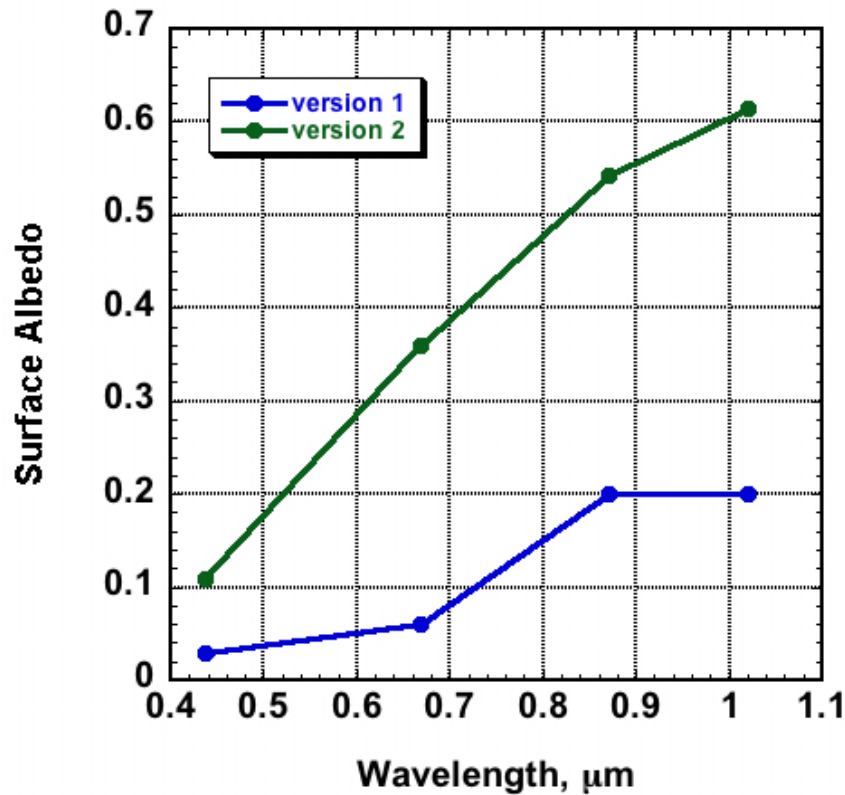


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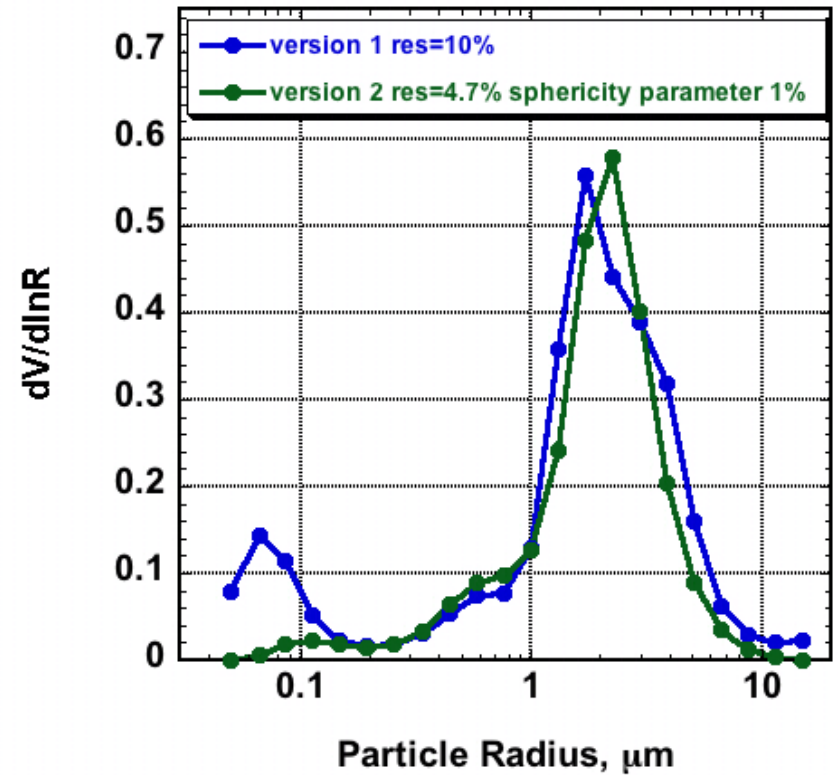


Predominately Coarse mode Aerosols, Banizoumbou (Dust)

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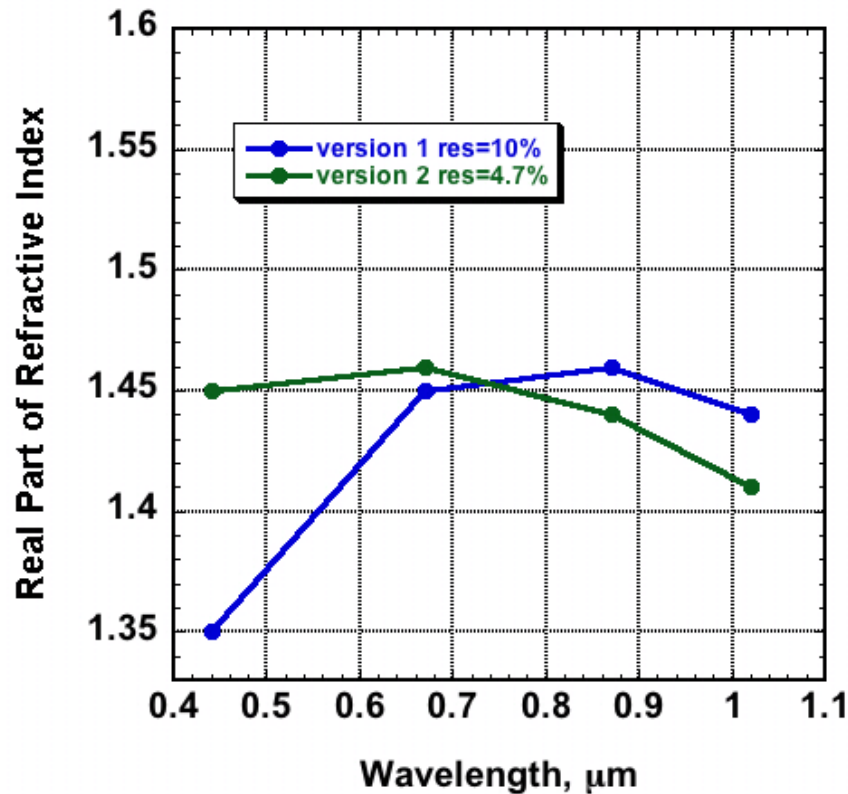


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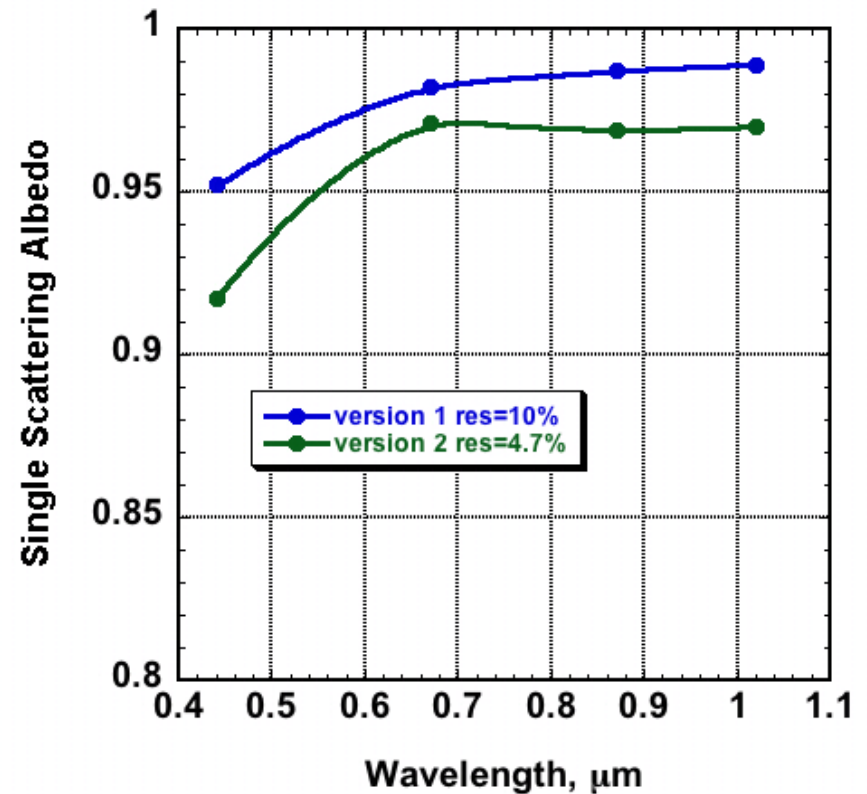


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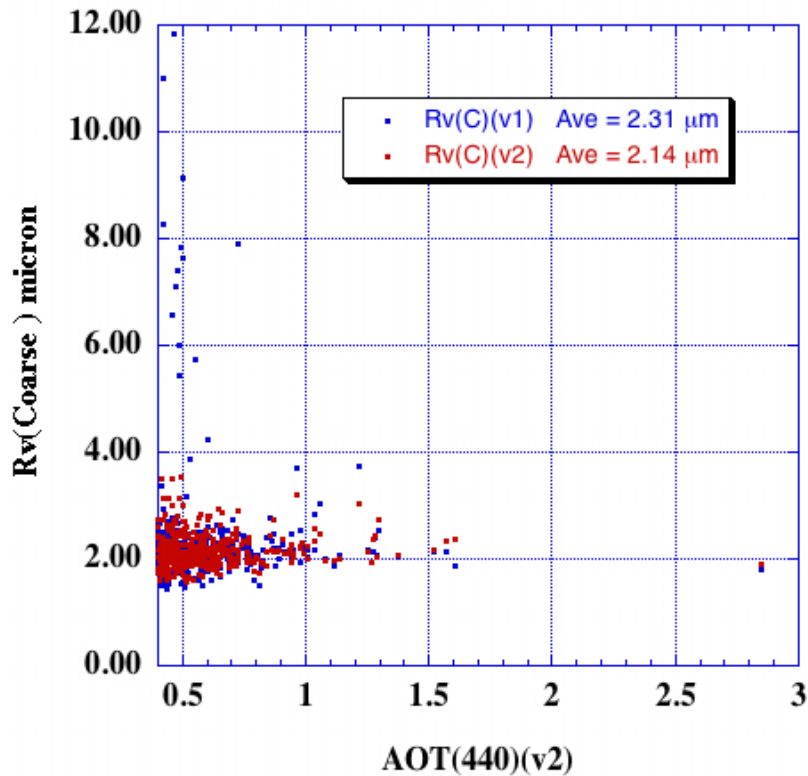


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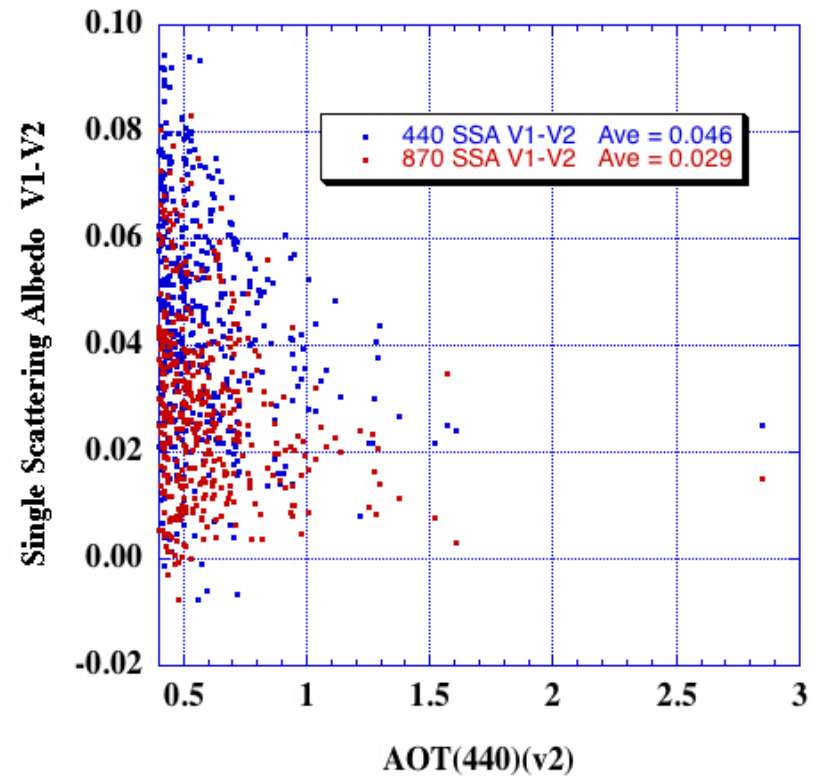


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Banizoumbou - matched retrievals



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AERONET Data Synergy Tool

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- Ground-based
 - AERONET
 - AOD, Inversions, AOD Fine and Coarse
 - Solar Radiation Network Flux (Solrad-Net)
 - Micropulse Lidar Network (MPLNET)
 - AERONET-Ocean Color (nLw)

AERONET Data Synergy Tool

- Satellite Products
 - True Color Modis Subsets (MODIS Rapid Response)
 - Daily and Monthly MODIS Atmospheric Products (via GIOVANNI)
 - TOMS and OMI atmospheric products (via GIOVANNI)
 - SeaWiFS and MODIS ocean products (via GIOVANNI)

AERONET Data Synergy Tool



- Model Data
 - Back trajectory analyses from 950 to 200 hPa
 - GOCART AOD for 350, 550, 900nm wavelengths by constituent aerosol (SU, OC, BC, DU, and SS)

AERONET Data Synergy Tool



- Future Products

- Via GIOVANNI

- AIRS Daily Maps (Temperature, Pressure, and O₃)
 - Nearby Aura Daily MLS Atmospheric Chemical Profiles (O₃, H₂O, ClO, CO, HNO₃, HCl, N₂O, OH)

- Expand GOCART AOD historical data set

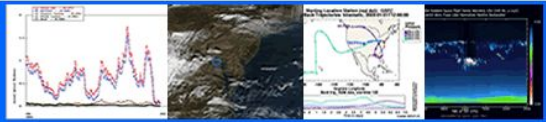
AERONET Data Synergy Tool



- Future Products

- Provide additional MODIS true color subset images
- Create interactive back trajectory analysis tool
- Establish Link to meteorological data sets (e.g., GOES and MSAT imagery and NCEP/NCAR Reanalysis)

AERONET DATA SYNERGY TOOL



- + AERONET
- + MODIS
- + BACK TRAJECTORY
- + MPLNET
- + GOCART
- + GIOVANNI

Select the above buttons to find information for products provided by this data display

Use world map to find products for AERONET sites:

Master Controls

Initial Date: Year Month Day

Enter Site Name:
 36.900000° N, 75.710000° W
 Elevation: 37m

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AEROIET Data - Direct Sun

AEROIET Yearly Product - Data Description

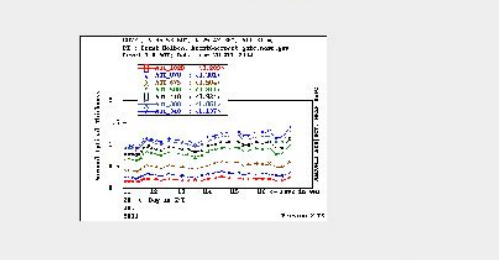
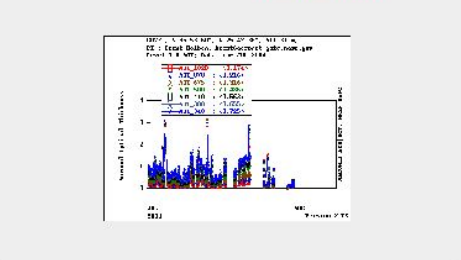
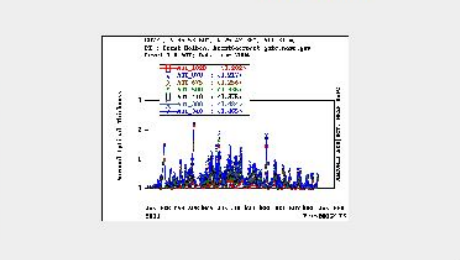
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AEROIET Daily Product - Data Description

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AEROIET Data Controls:

Version:

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AEROIET Data - Inversions (V1)

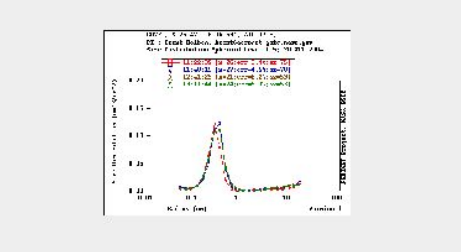
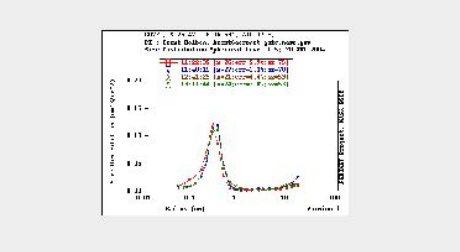
AEROIET - Almicantar Inversion - Spherical Model

AEROIET - Almicantar Inversion - Spheroid Model

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AEROIET-Inversion Data Controls:

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Data Product:
 Size Distribution
 Refractive Index (Real)
 Refractive Index (Imaginary)
 Absorption Optical Depth

AERONET Data - Aerosol Modes

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AERONET AOD Modes - Yearly Product

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AERONET AOD Modes - Monthly Product

AERONET AOD Modes - Daily Product

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Data Format: All Points

Data Product: AOD Modes

Error Bars: Off

SolRad-Net Data

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Flux Yearly Product - Data Description

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Flux Daily Product - Data Description

No data available for COVE

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MODIS Rapid Response/LandSat

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AQUA-MODIS True Color

Zoom image centered on COVE:
 2000m | 1000m | 500m | 250m

AQUA-MODIS Granule Overpass Times:
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LandSat

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MODIS-Land Data

TERRA MODLAND 8-Day Surface Reflectance Starting 19 JUL 2004 [Download Version 004](#)

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Back Trajectory Analyses

00 UTC (950-500hPa)

12 UTC (950-500hPa)

00 UTC (950-200hPa)

12 UTC

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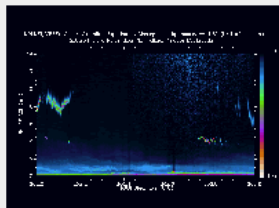
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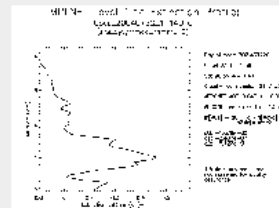
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GOCART 3-Hourly AOT



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350nm Extinction - Data Description



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550nm Extinction - Data Description

900nm Extinction - Data Description

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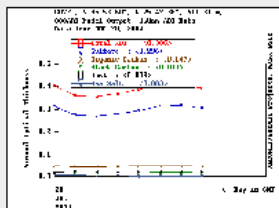
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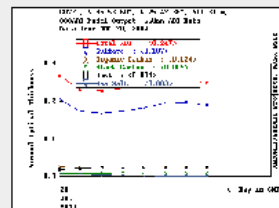
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- Daily Average
- 3-Hour Daily
- 3-Hour Monthly
- 3-Hour Yearly



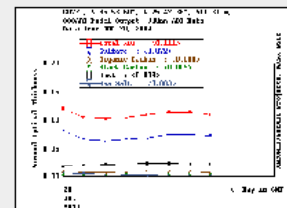
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TERRA-MODIS Monthly Product - Data Description



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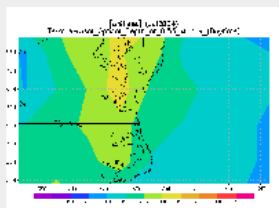
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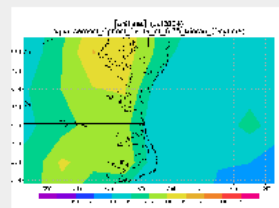
Data Controls:

- Aerosol Optical Depth at 0.55um (Daytime)
- Aerosol Fine Mode Fraction (Daytime)
- Fine Mode Aerosol Optical Depth (Ocean/Daytime)
- Cirrus Fraction NIR Method (Daytime)



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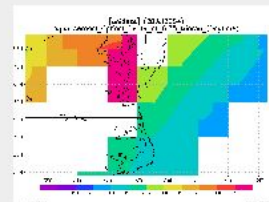
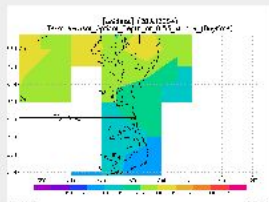
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Data Controls:

Aerosol Optical Depth at 0.55um (Daytime)
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GIOVANNI Ozone Data



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TOMS Ozone Daily Product (1.0°x1.25°) - Data Description

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OMI Ozone Daily Product (0.25°x0.25°) - Data Description

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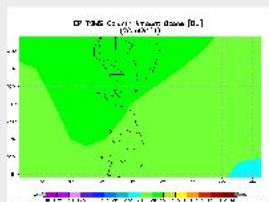
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Data Controls:

Column Amount Ozone
 UV Aerosol Index
 Effective Surface Reflectivity

GIOVANNI Ocean Data



No Data Available

These data are available from 17 AUG 2004 to 15 AUG 2006

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SEAWIFS Ocean Monthly Product - Data Description

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AQUA-MODIS Ocean Monthly Product - Data Description

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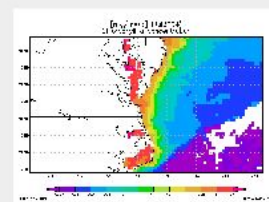
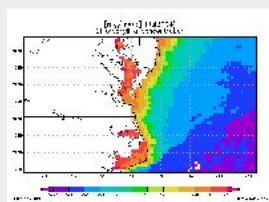
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Data Controls:

Chlorophyll-a Concentration
 Normalized Water-Leaving Radiance
 Aerosol Optical Thickness
 Angstrom Coefficient

AEROHET-Ocean Color Data



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Normalized Water-leaving Radiance Yearly Product - Data Description

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Normalized Water-leaving Radiance Monthly Product - Data Description

Normalized Water-leaving Radiance Daily Product - Data Description

No data available for COVE

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AERONET Makeover Summary

- ~200 permanent sites and counting
- V. 2 corrections incorporate modeled and satellite data
- AOD improvements due to NCEP air pressure & improved algorithms. NO_2 ??
- Inversion improvements from dynamic sfc. refl. inputs and bi-component inversion

AERONET Makeover Summary

- Fine mode spherical:
 - Improved sfc. refl. altered size dist $C_v \downarrow \uparrow$ and $r_v \uparrow$
 - SSA-Little change
 - Real imaginary index of refraction is spectrally neutral
- Marine:
 - All level 2 parameters almost no change
 - Increase in number of acceptable retrievals by $\sim 10\%$

AERONET Makeover Summary

- Mineral Dust (coarse mode)
 - Significant surface reflectance effect
 - Fine mode artifacts removed (accumulation mode tail removed)
 - Blue channel real index of refraction artifact is removed
 - More absorption in blue channels (0.03-0.05)
- Synergy Tool allows daily comparisons between various aerosol products/related data sets