



SIOS-Planet Call for Proposals Demonstration of the HR data in the Arctic

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SkySat image, Svalbard - 16 May 2021

A satellite image of a mountain range with significant snow cover. The image is used as a background for a presentation slide. A semi-transparent dark grey rectangular box is overlaid on the lower half of the image, containing text and a bulleted list. The text and list are in white, providing high contrast against the dark background of the box. The mountain peaks are rugged and partially covered in snow, with some rocky outcrops visible. The surrounding areas are also covered in snow, with some darker patches indicating shadows or different terrain types.

Data grant for selected projects:

- 200,000 km² to be distributed between PlanetScope all-time imagery (archive + monitoring), RapidEye archive and SkySat archive, access and download, incl. premium clipping
- 5,000 km² for SkySat flexible tasking
- Unlimited PlanetScope tile view bundle

An aerial photograph of a rugged mountain range covered in snow. The peaks and ridges are dark, while the valleys and slopes are white. A semi-transparent dark grey rectangular box is overlaid on the lower half of the image, containing white text.

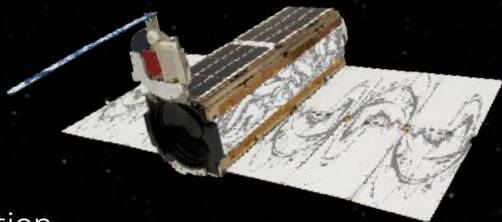
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+ PLANET'S CONSTELLATIONS

LARGEST EO- SATELLITE FLEET

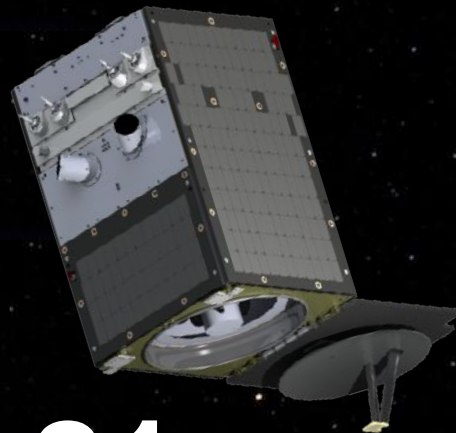
Always-on,
Broad Area Monitoring



- 3.0 meter resolution
- Daily imagery collection, no tasking required
- RGB and NIR bands
- Red-Edge, CB, Y, GI
- Archive back to 2014

150+

Dove Satellites
PlanetScope



Rapid Revisit,
Targeted Monitoring

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SkySat
Satellites

- 0.5 meter resolution
- Sub-daily imagery tasking
- RGB, NIR, and Pan bands
- Archive back to 2014



Planet Dove Satellite

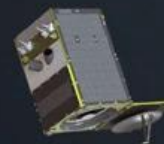


- Always-on, broad-area monitoring
- 3 meter resolution
- RGB and NIR bands

Planet Dove Constellation

~98° Sun-Synchronous Orbit

Planet SkySat Satellite



- Custom, targeted monitoring
- 50 centimeter resolution
- RGB, NIR, and Pan bands

Planet SkySat Constellation

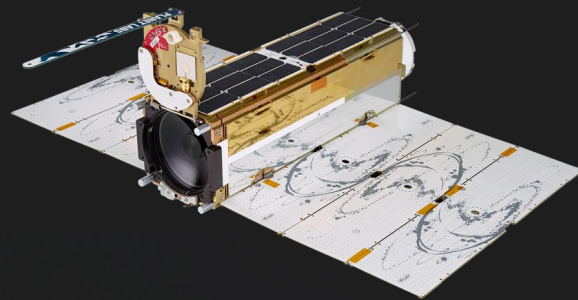
SkySats 1-15

~98° Sun-Synchronous Orbit

SkySats 16-21

~53° Inclined Orbit





Doves



SATELLITES
150+

GSD
3.7 m

CAPACITY
200 million km²/day

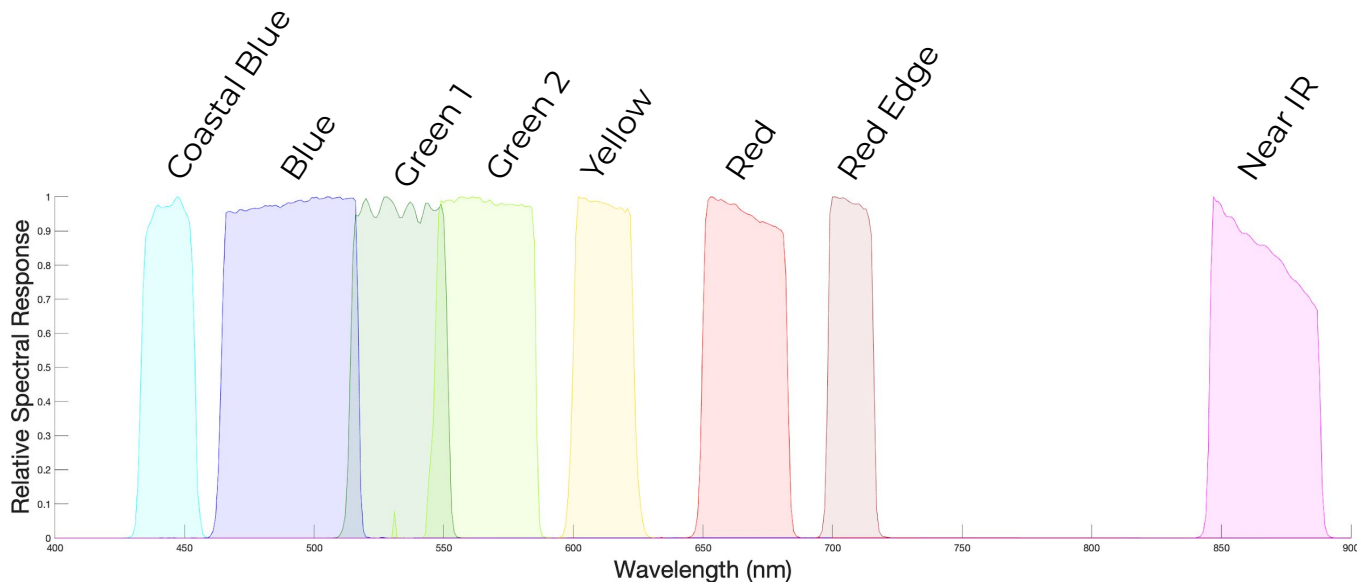
ORBIT ALTITUDE
475 km

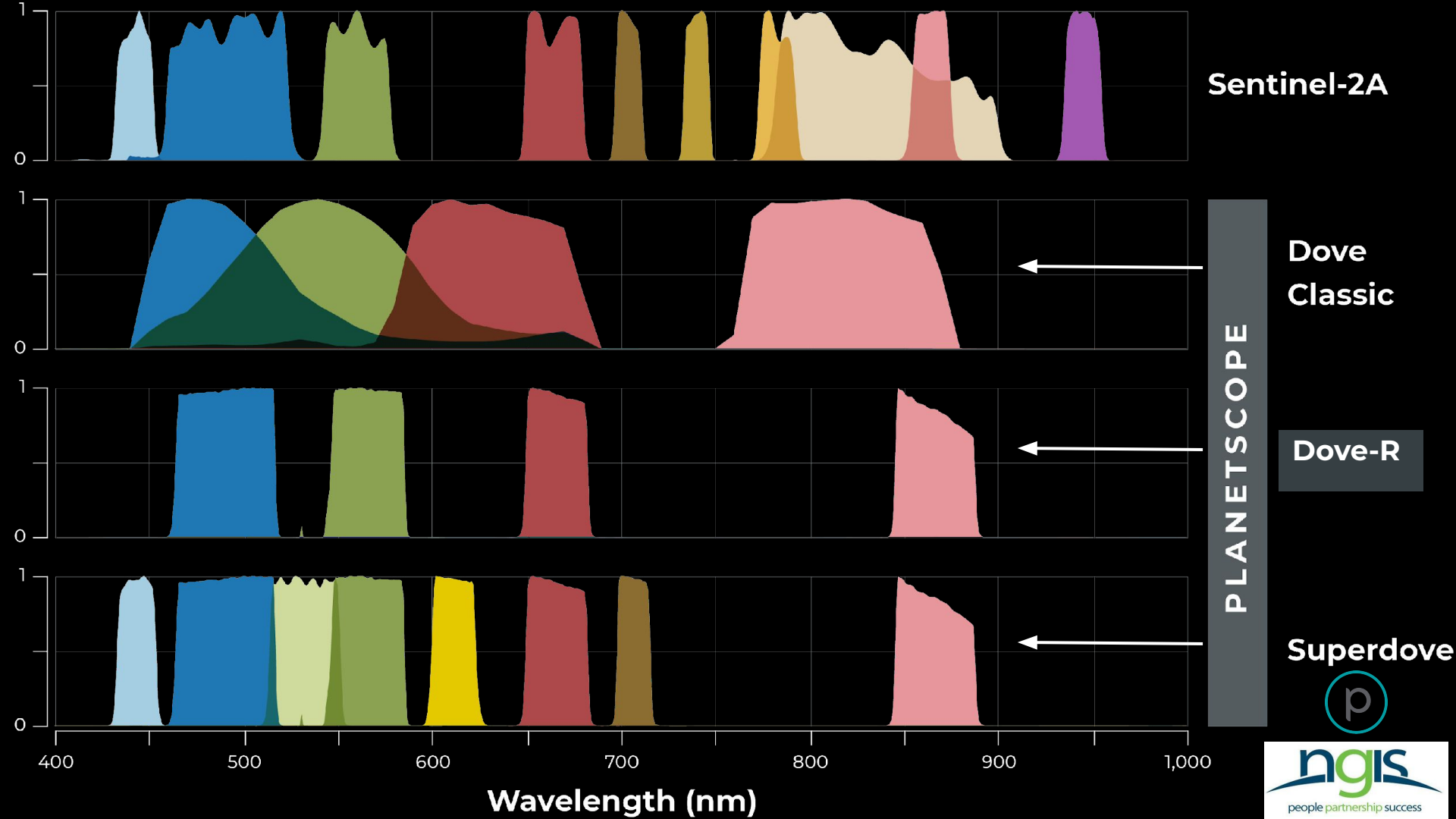
SPECTRAL BANDS
**RGB and NIR +
GI, CB, Y & RE**



SuperDove Spectral Bands

From remote sensing perspective, the SuperDove bands offer insights that are land cover and application specific







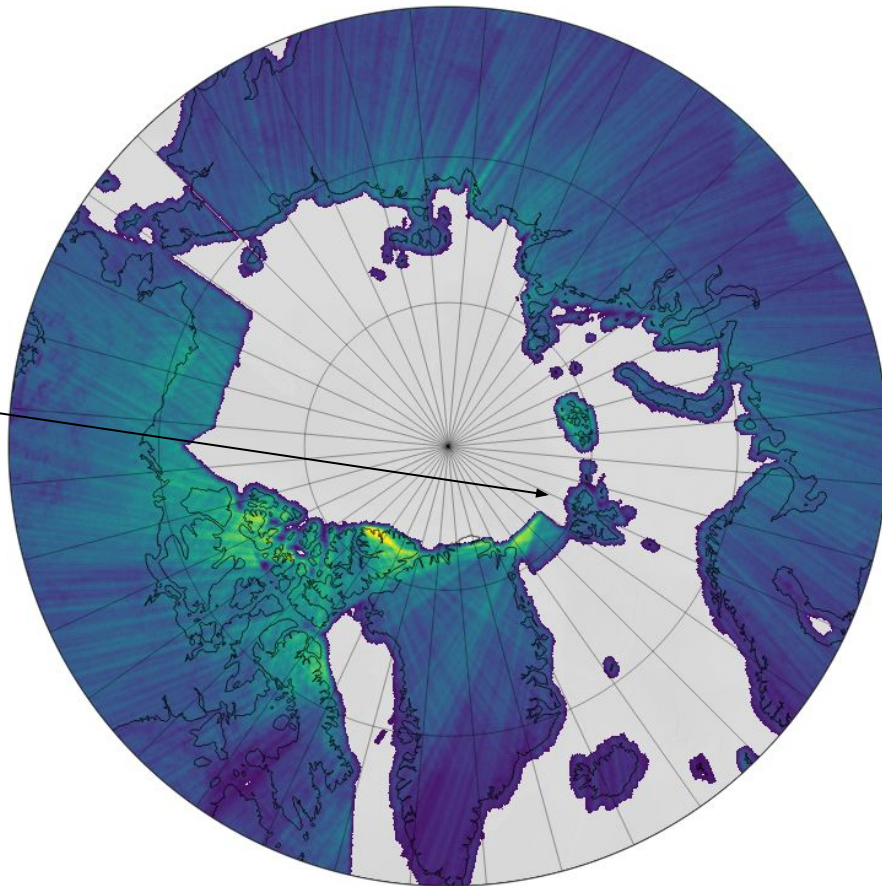
PS Arctic Coverage

June 2022

Current superdove orbits extend to 83N latitude

Full coverage of Svalbard

Best coverage Apr-Aug



Jun 2022

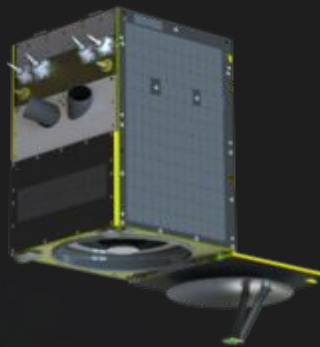




PlanetScope image, Svalbard - 09 Aug 2021



PlanetScope image, Svalbard - 21 Aug 2022



SkySat



SATELLITES
21

GSD
0.65 m

CAPACITY
400 K km²/day

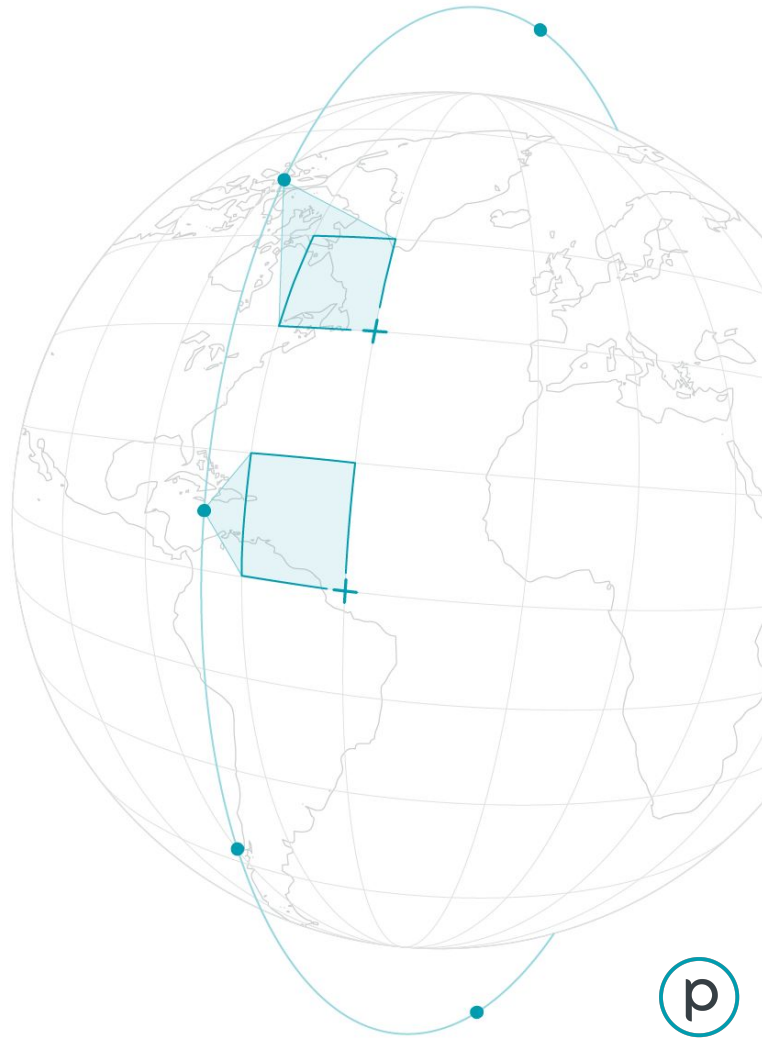
ORBIT ALTITUDE
450 km

SPECTRAL BANDS
RGB, PAN and NIR



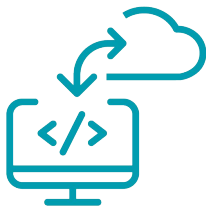
High Resolution Tasking

- **Image any point on Earth** at 50 cm resolution
- **Intra Day** revisit - Multiple captures per day
- **On-demand** collection via Tasking API
- **Monthly, weekly, or daily** monitoring of AOIs
- **Rapid access** to 10M+ sq km of SkySat archive dating to 2014



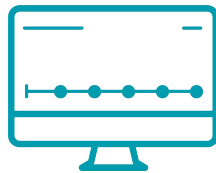


DELIVERY OPTIONS



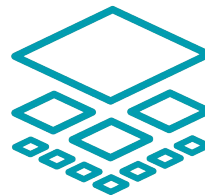
PLANET API

REST API access
to Planet imagery



PLANET EXPLORER

Web-based user interface
for browsing &
downloading Planet
imagery



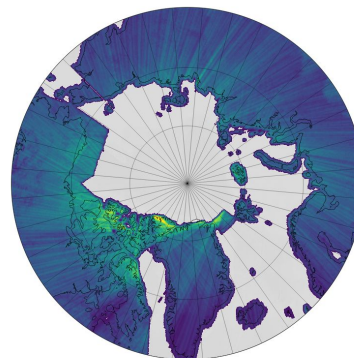
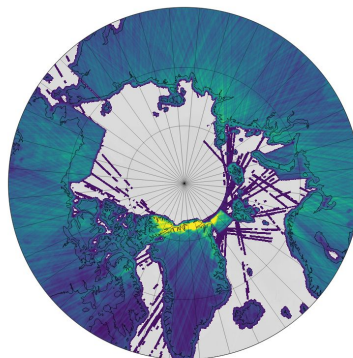
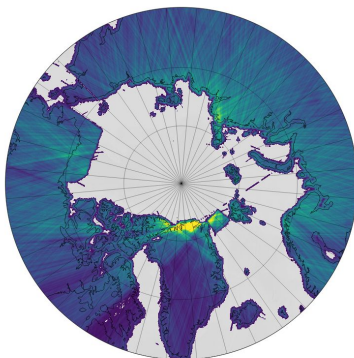
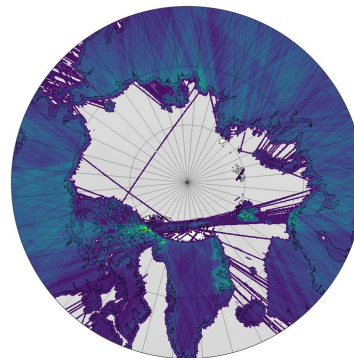
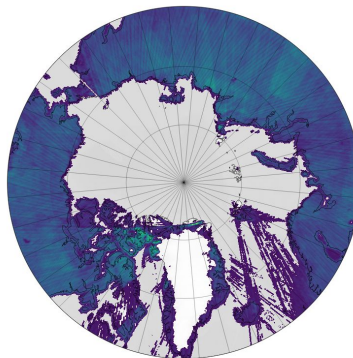
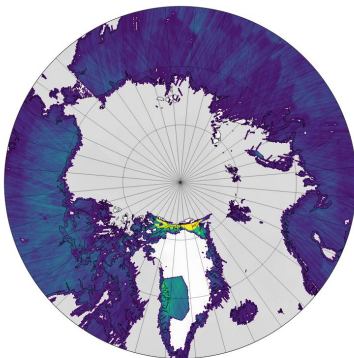
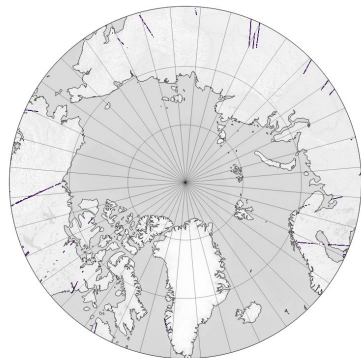
WMTS

Integrate with WMTS
compliant application,
i.e. ArcGIS, QGIS,
InterGraph, and more.



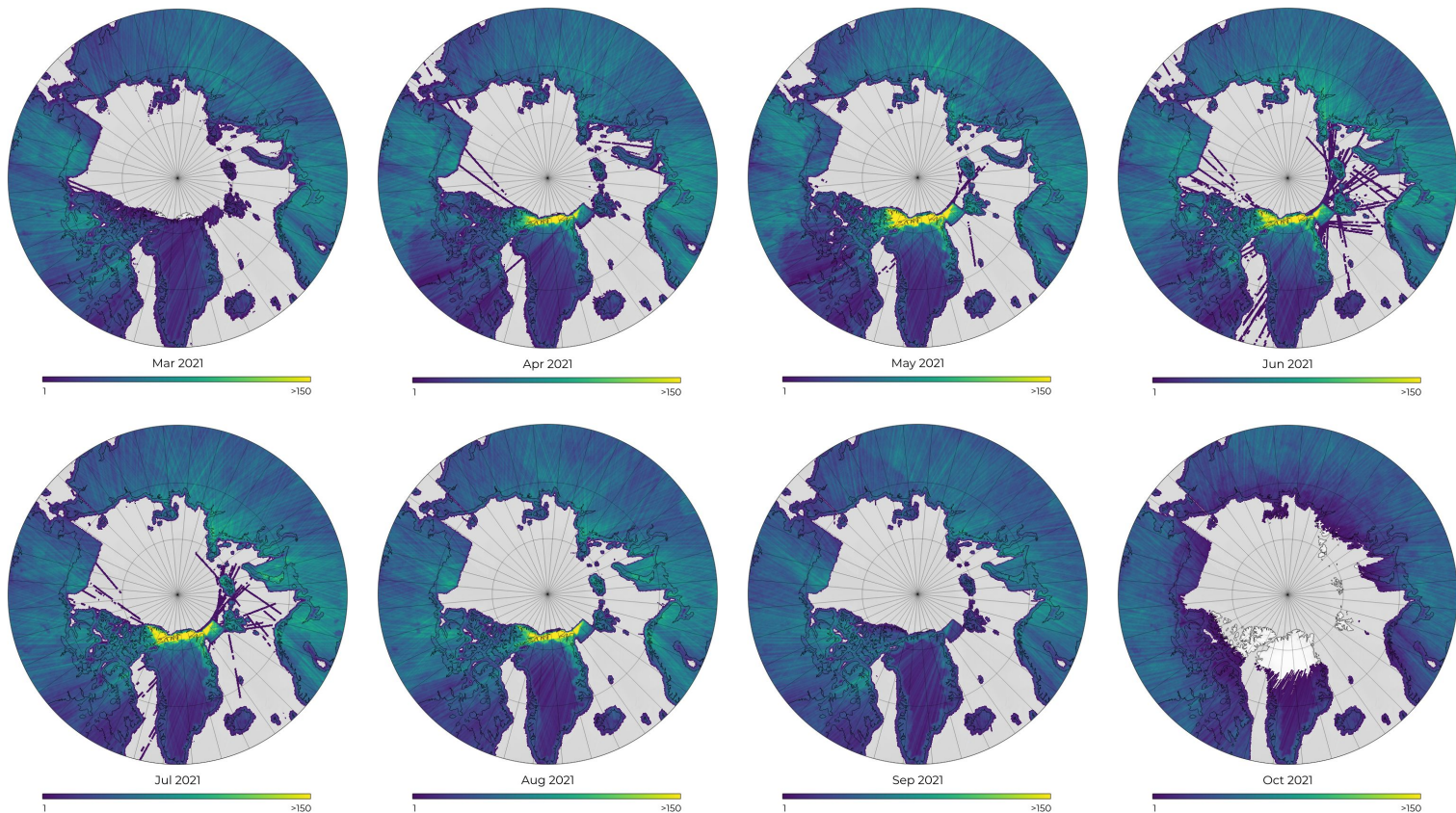
Good Coverage to 2020, Some Coverage to 2017

Published Coverage for June 2017-2022



+ Good Coverage in Summer

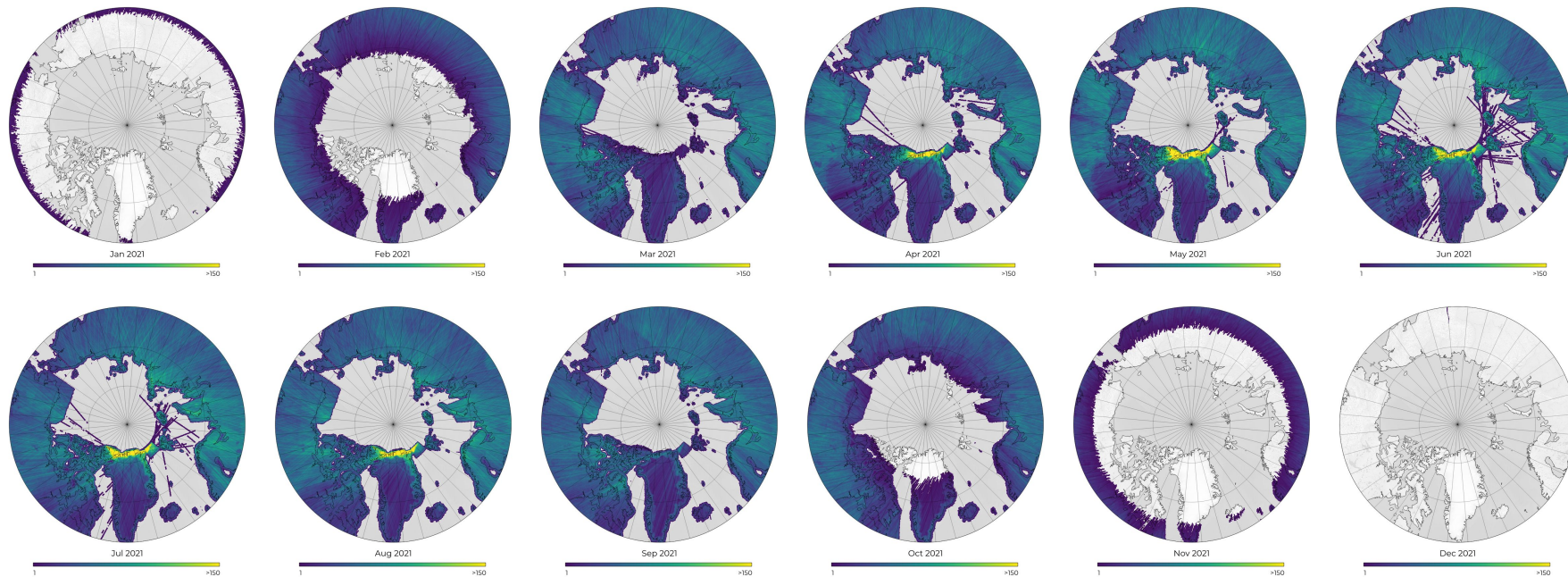
Published Coverage 2021, note marginal coverage in March and October





Little Coverage in Nov-Feb

Published coverage for 2021, controlled by sun angle (no imaging below 10 deg)



Seasonal and Historical Coverage



Summary:

- Daily multiple captures over higher latitudes
- Arctic coverage archive from 2017
- Best coverage in April-August
- Marginal coverage in March+October
- Limited coverage in Nov,Dec,Jan,Feb
- Limited open water coverage



Explorer Demo

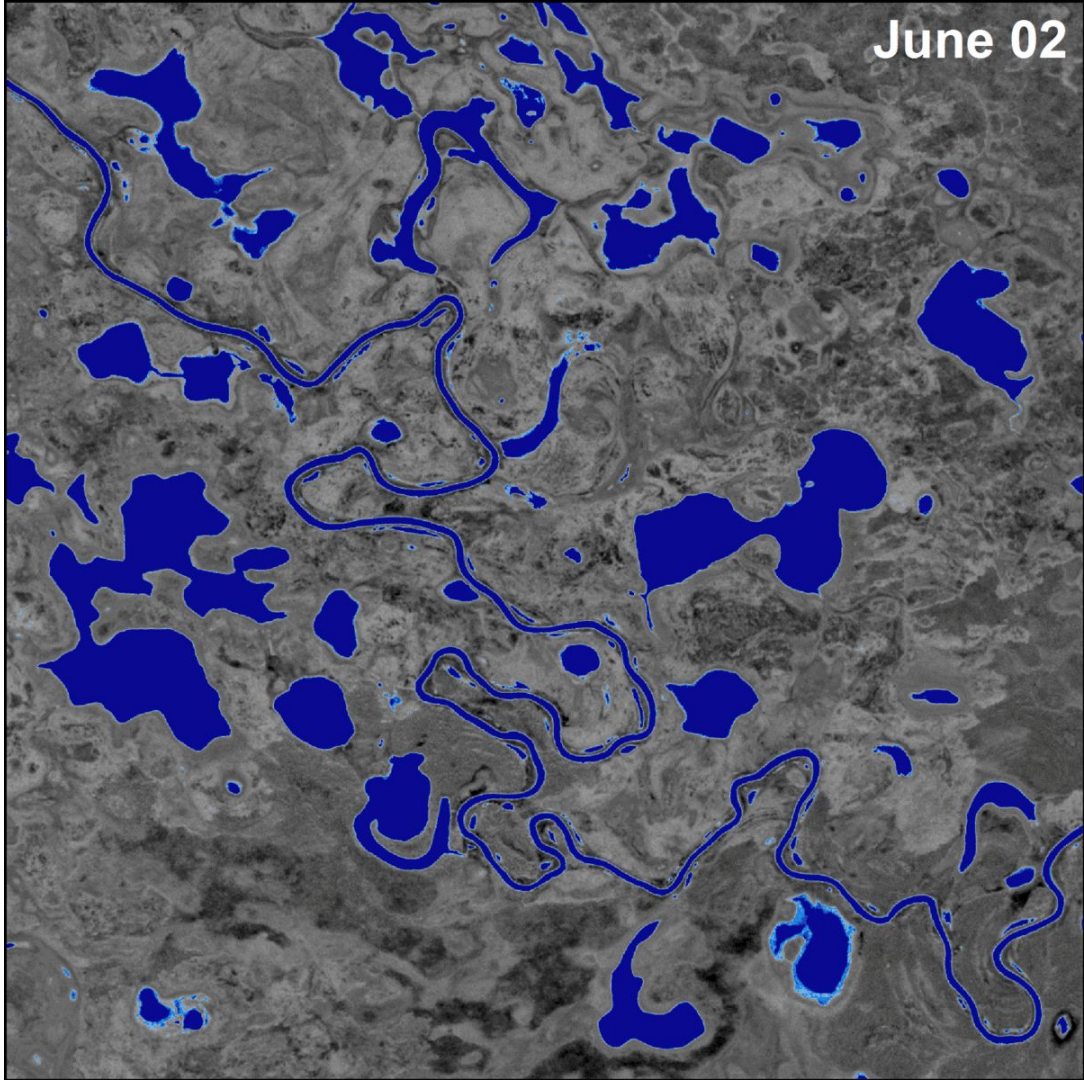




**In Arctic regions, millions of
freshwater lakes influence carbon
dioxide and methane emissions to
the atmosphere.**

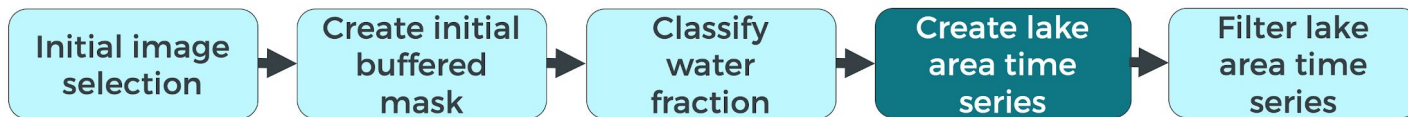
+ Seasonal changes of high-latitude lakes

- Used **thousands** of Dove images to track near-daily changes in water extent via machine learning across Alaska and Northern Canada
- Revealed that in some areas, lake shorelines **fluctuated much more widely than previously known**
- Suggests these lakes are potentially **emitting more greenhouse gases** than previously thought
- [Brown University coverage](#)

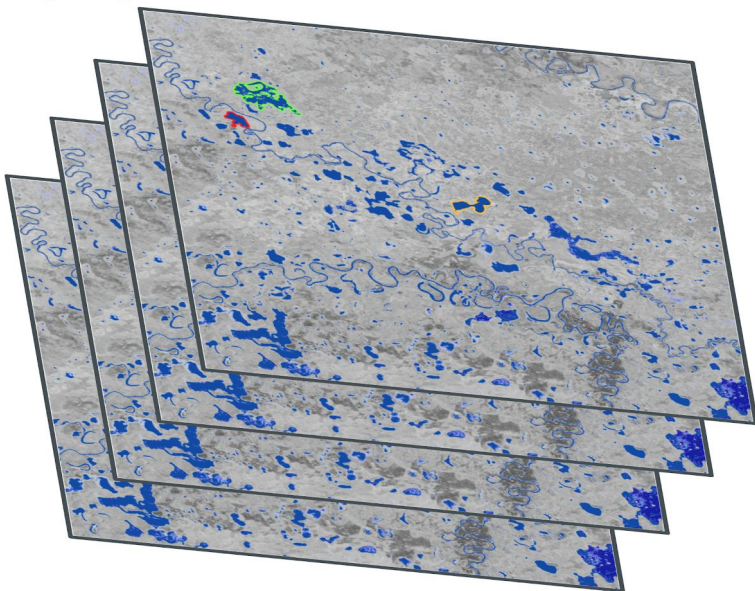




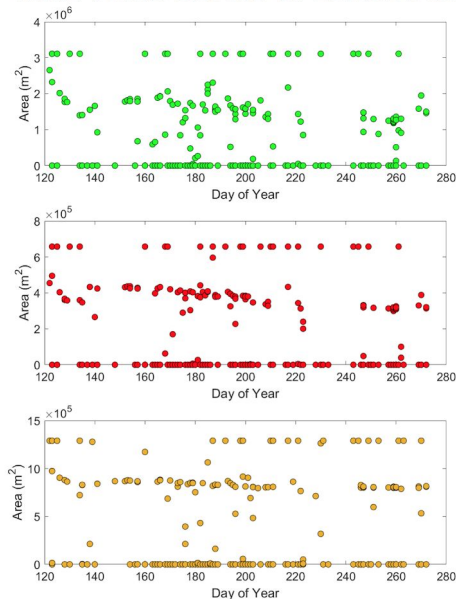
Lake Classification and Tracking Method



Create time series of lake area by calculating the total water area contained within the initial buffered mask for every image



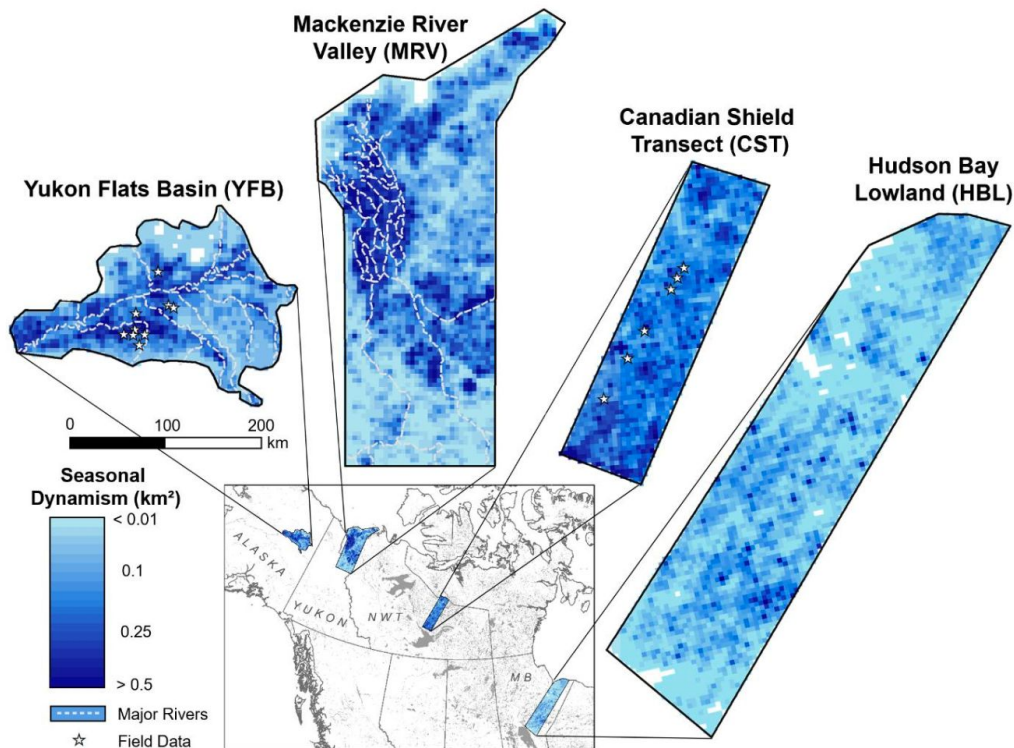
Raw Time Series of Lake Area



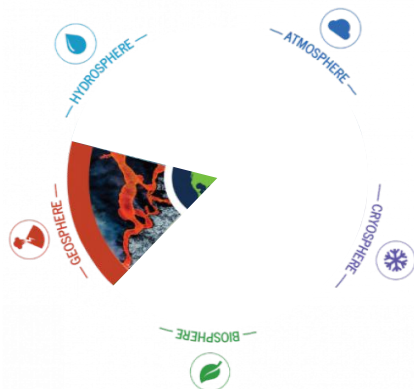


Seasonal dynamism of high-latitude lakes

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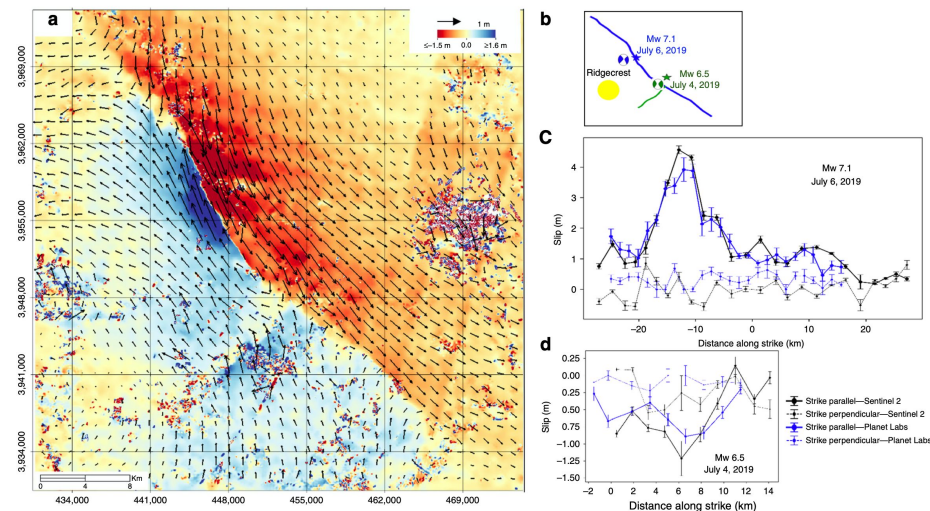
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Surface deformation; Earthquakes; Geohazards;

See also, e.g.,
Mazzanti et al 2020, [Remote Sensing](#)
Milliner and Donnellan 2020,
[Seismological Research Letters](#)
Aldeghi et al. 2019, [Remote Sensing](#)

Planet data used to understand surface deformation and other displacement events in near-real time, in combination with other sensors

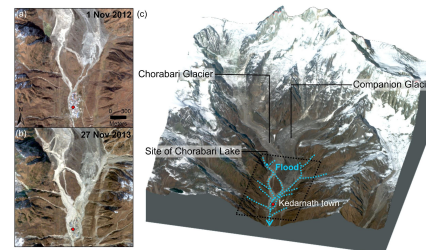


Chen et al. 2020 [Nature Communications](#), used Planet and Sentinel-2 imagery to measure surface deformation caused by the July 4, 2019 Ridgecrest earthquake. The authors reported that Planet imagery was collected July 4 (pre-) and July 5 (post-quake), versus June 28 and July 8 with Sentinel 2. Panel c shows a strong correspondence between the Planet and Sentinel displacement estimates.

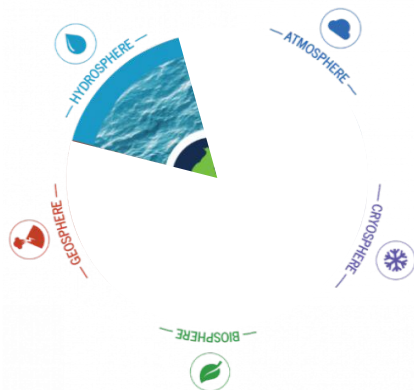


Bradley et al. 2019 [Nature Geoscience](#), analyzed landslides triggered by 2018 M7.5 Palu earthquake via PlanetScope images captured directly before and after the earthquake.

Kirschbaum et al. 2019 [Frontiers in Earth Science](#), used Dove, RapidEye, and Sentinel-2 data to see how these data could benefit natural hazard assessment within High Mountain Asia, looking at the complex interplay between humans, infrastructure, and ecosystems.



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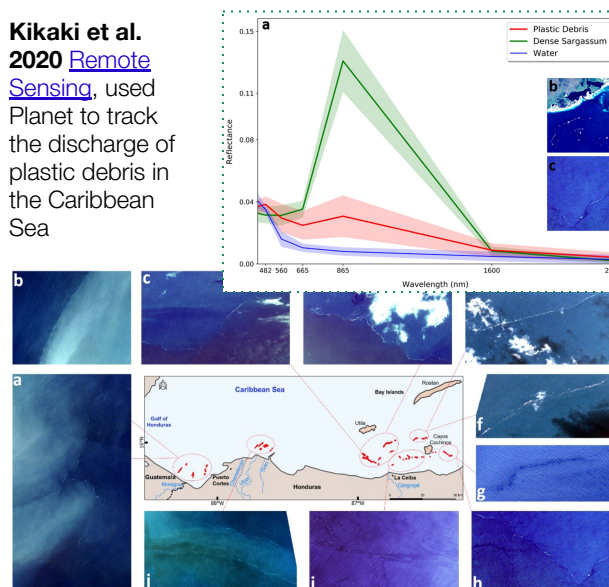


**Coral reef bathymetry, habitat classification;
 Flooding;
 Stream discharge and sediment transport;
 Marine ecosystems;**

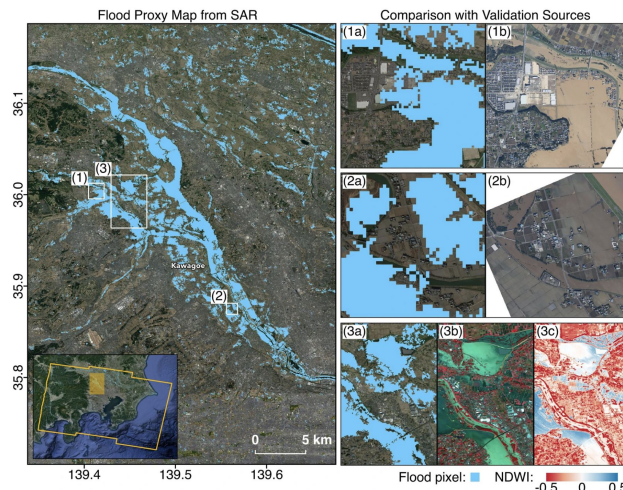
See also, e.g.,
 Li et al. 2019, [Remote Sensing of Environment](#)

Planet data used to map flooding, track marine plastics, estimate stream discharge and sediment flow rates, in combination with other Earth Observation sensors

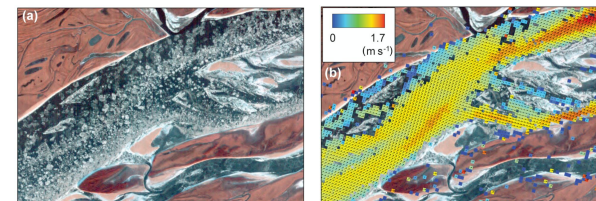
Kikaki et al. 2020 [Remote Sensing](#), used Planet to track the discharge of plastic debris in the Caribbean Sea



Käab et al. 2019 [Hydrology and Earth Systems Science](#), used Planet imagery to track intra-day river flow rates in the arctic, leveraging multiple Dove passes separated by only a few seconds.



Tay et al. 2020 [Scientific Data](#), used dense time-series Planet imagery to verify SAR analyses (Sentinel-1 and ALOS 2) of flooding caused by Typhoon Hagibis

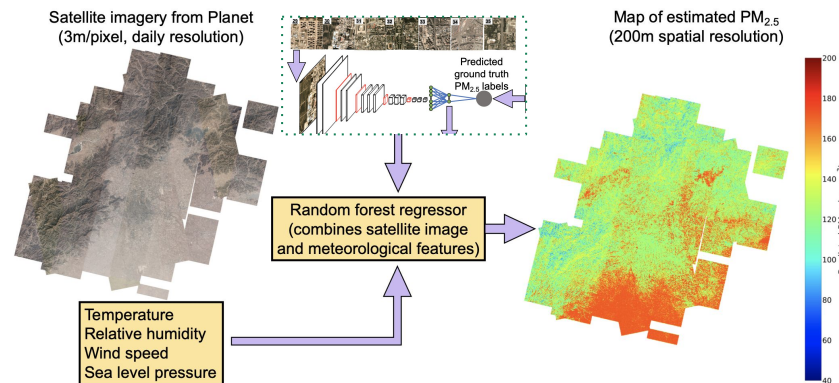


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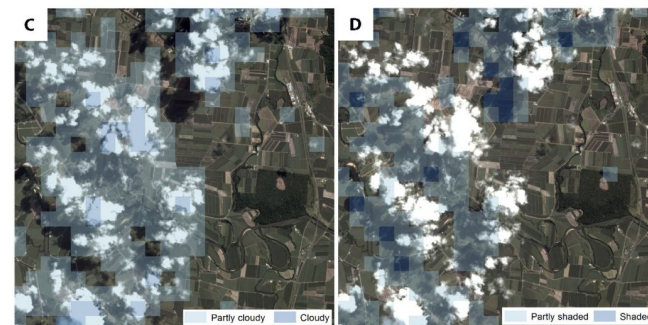
Atmospheric correction;
Air quality;
Cloud masking

Planet data used to produce large scale estimates of air quality, using CNNs to link imagery with air quality data from ground stations

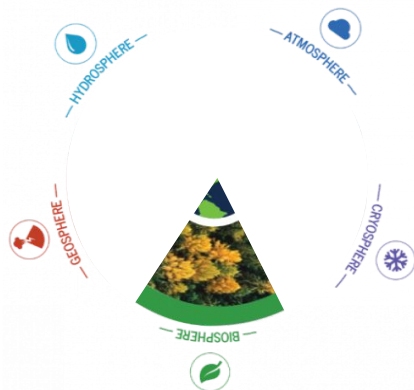


Zheng et al. 2020 [Atmospheric Environment](#), fused Planet imagery with ground-station based PM 2.5 air quality sensors using CNNs, allowing them to generate predictive maps of estimated PM 2.5 at scale in China.

Shendryk et al. 2019 [ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing](#), developed cloud- and cloud-shadow masking algorithms using CNNs. “The performance of our CNN models was also comparable to the state-of-the-art methods (i.e. Sen2Cor and MACCS) developed specifically for classifying cloud and shadow classes in Sentinel-2 imagery”



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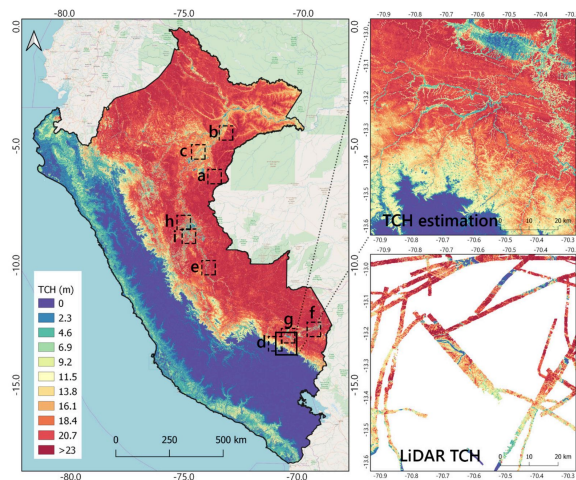


Ecosystem structure, properties and biodiversity;
Crop yields;
Vegetation phenology;

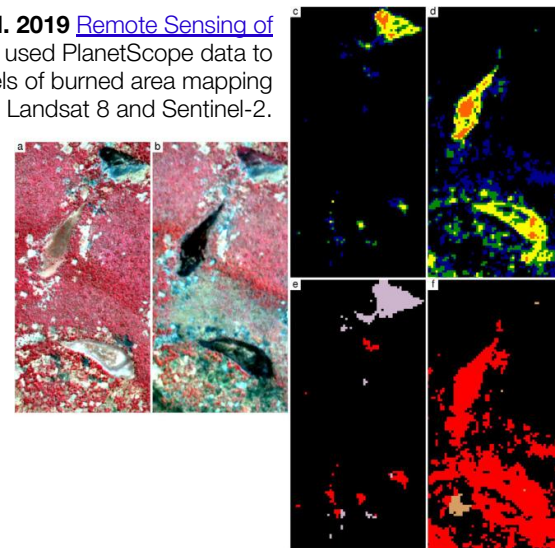
See also, e.g.,
Räsänen et al. 2019, [Remote Sensing of Environment](#)

Planet data fused with LiDAR, Landsat, Sentinel for large-scale and accurate exploration of ecosystem properties including forest structure and vegetation phenology

Csillik et al. 2020 [Remote Sensing](#), fused Planet data with airborne LiDAR estimates of top-of-canopy height for large scale (>100M ha), high-resolution (1ha) forest structure mapping in Peru. NASA is now evaluating similar fusion with GEDI LiDAR data from the ISS.



Roy et al. 2019 [Remote Sensing of Environment](#), used PlanetScope data to validate models of burned area mapping created with Landsat 8 and Sentinel-2.



Aguilar and Kuffer 2020 [Remote Sensing](#), used Planet imagery to assess performance against UN Sustainable Development Goals for open space in urban centers.

