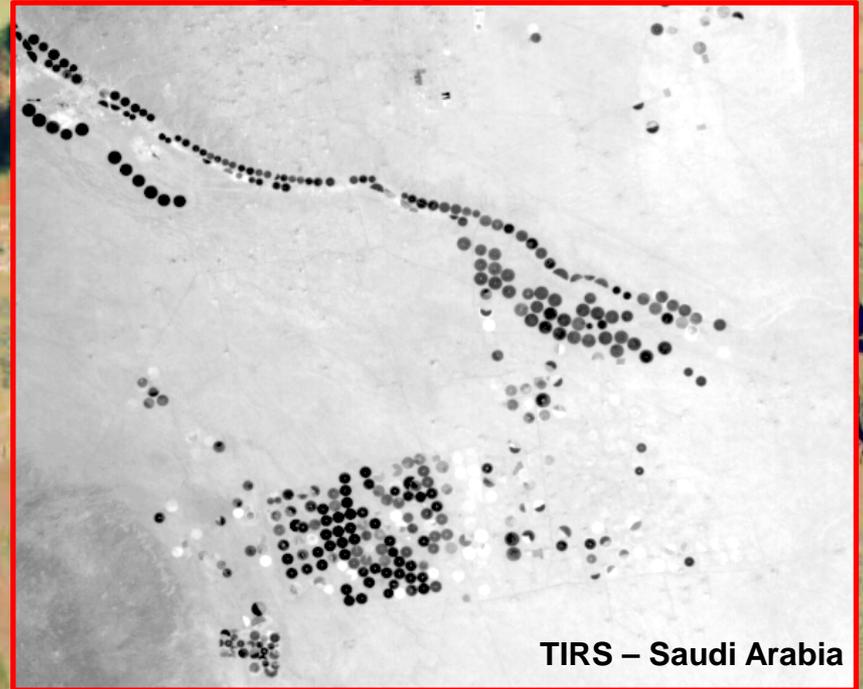




# Earth Science



TIRS - Saudi Arabia

LDCM First-Light  
OLI False-Color  
Fort Collins, CO area

# NASA Earth Science Highlights

- Initiates new Land Imaging project for development of a national sustained Land Imaging Satellite System (with USGS)
- Expands Venture-Class competitive flight program
- Initiates **development of a program** for TSIS, OMPS-Limb, and “CERES” measurements starting in the JPSS-2 time frame – ex-NOAA climate sensors
- Completes integration of DSCOVR Earth observing instruments (EPIC and NISTAR) and initiates ground data system development in preparation for 2014 launch
- Ops funding for QSCAT, Jason-1, CloudSat, GRACE, SORCE in FY14 – ends all by FY18
- Advances development of SMAP, SAGE III/ISS, GRACE-FO, SWOT, CYGNSS, OCO-3, TEMPO, and ICESat-2 for launch before 2021
- Pre-formulation studies will continue for PACE, L-band SAR, and other US NAS Decadal survey-recommended and climate architecture missions

# Bi-annual Senior Review Ongoing in 2013



# Upcoming NASA Earth Science Missions

SAGE-III  
(on ISS) 2014

OCO-2  
2014

GRACE-FO  
2017

OCO-3  
(on ISS) 2017

CLARREO  
(on ISS) NET  
2023

L-Band  
SAR  
NET 2021

EVI-3  
2022

EVM-2  
2021

EVI-2  
2020

TEMPO  
EVI-1, 2019

CYGNSS  
EVM-1, 2016

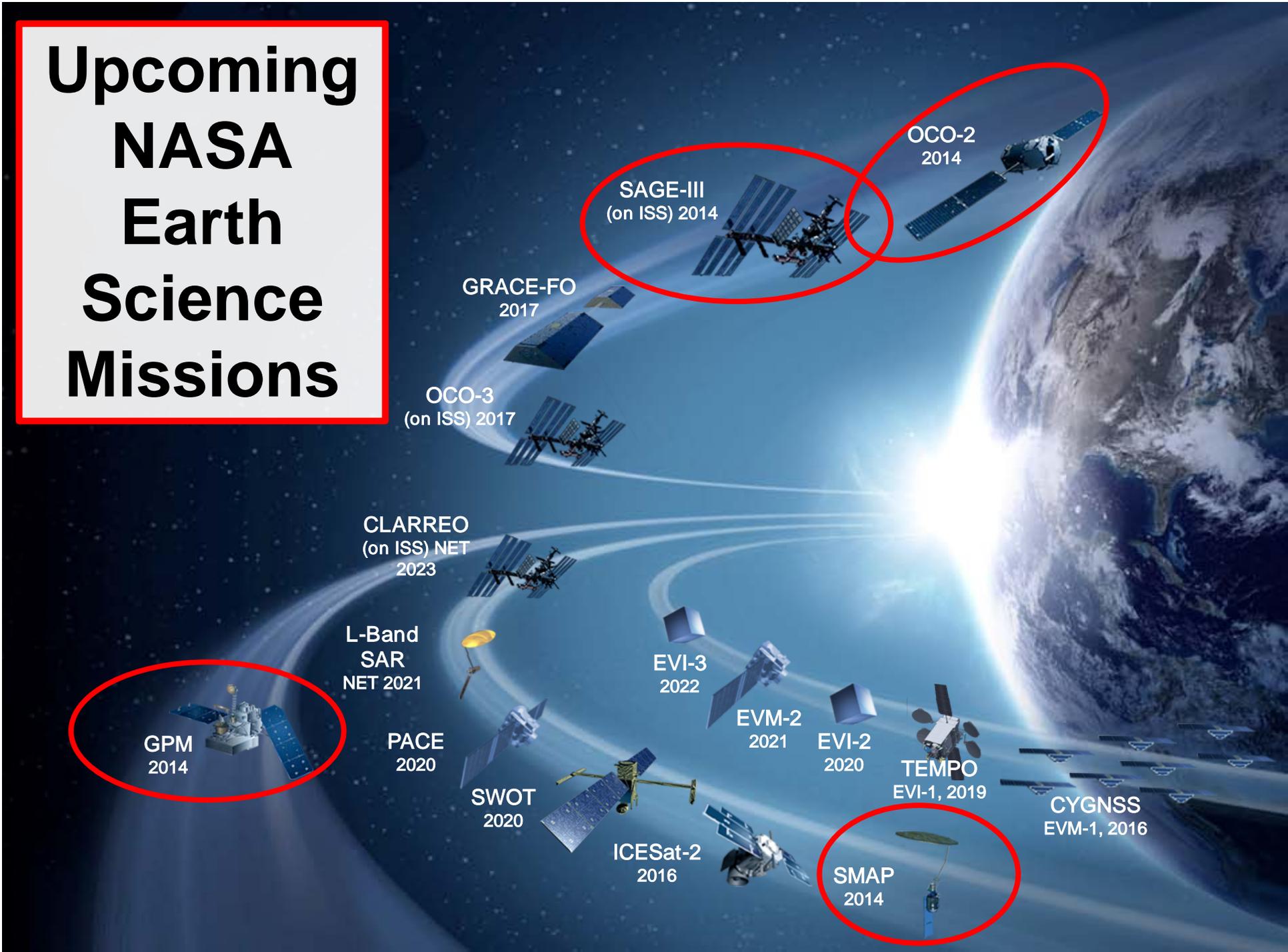
GPM  
2014

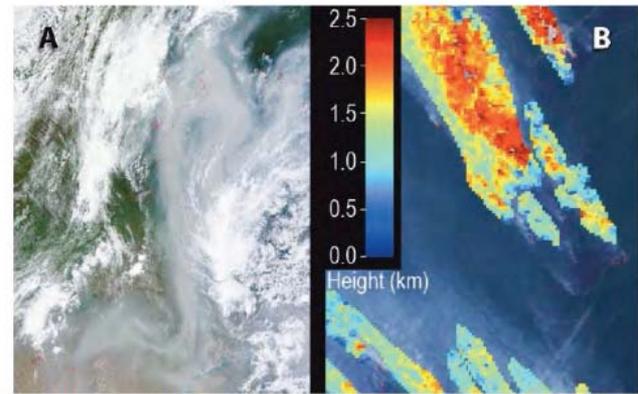
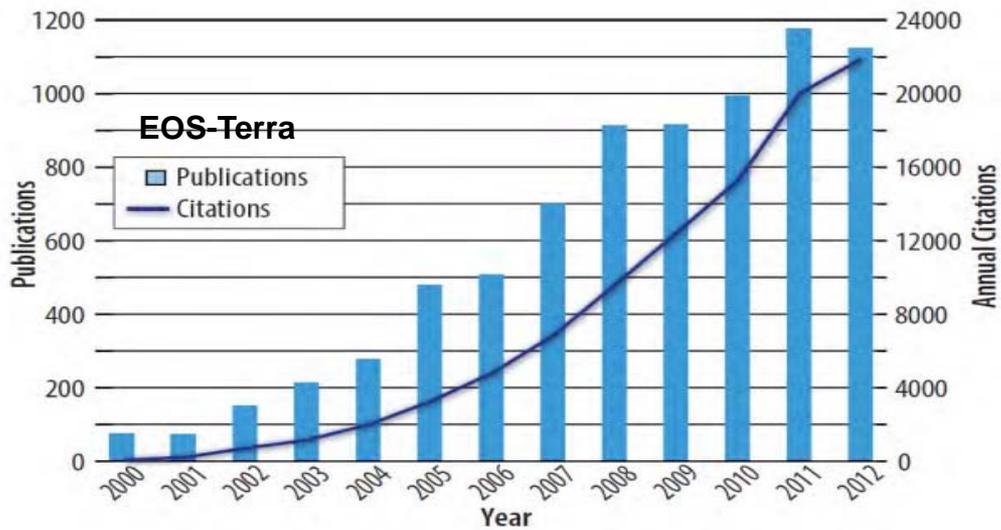
PACE  
2020

SWOT  
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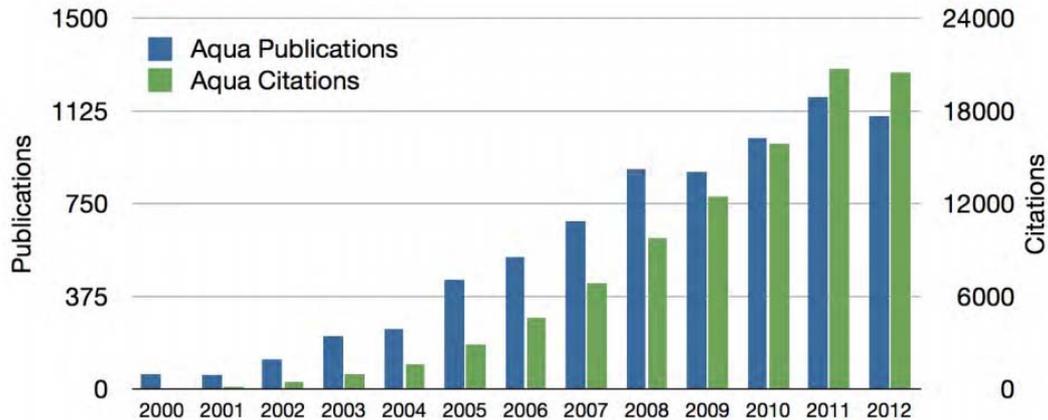
ICESat-2  
2016

SMAP  
2014

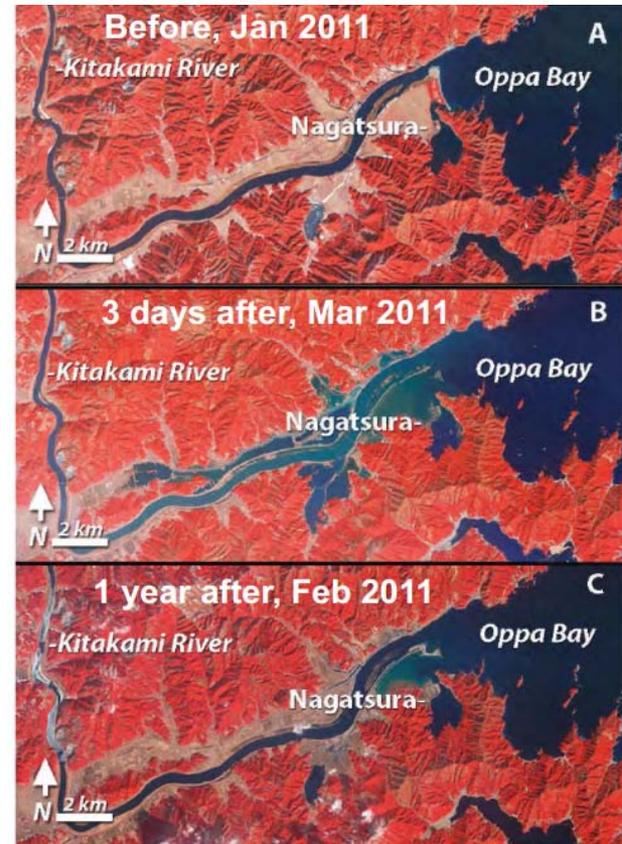




2012 Siberian forest fires: A) MODIS image of heavy smoke near the Tomsk region; B) MISR smoke plume heights



The Aqua and Terra Missions continue to provide an unprecedented amount of quantitative data to study the Earth as a system, discover how the Earth is changing and explore human interactions with these changes.



Monitoring Tohoku tsunami damage in Japan with ASTER

# LDCM Overview

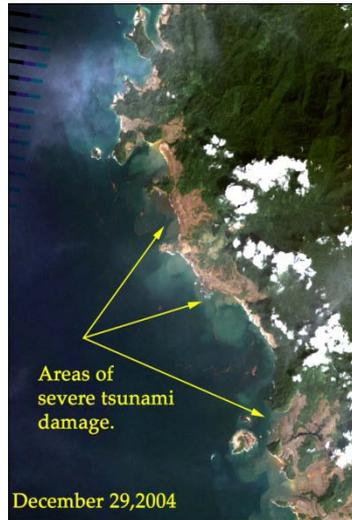
**LDCM**

## Mission Objectives

- Provide continuity in the multi-decadal Landsat land surface observations to study, predict, and understand the consequences of land surface dynamics
  - Land cover/use change
  - Human settlement and population
  - Ecosystem dynamics
  - Landscape scale carbon stocks
  - Resource management/societal needs

## LDCM Data Needed to Address NASA Earth Science Focus Areas, Questions, and Applications

Focus Areas	Science Questions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carbon Cycle, Ecosystems, &amp; Biogeochemistry</li> <li>• Water &amp; Energy Cycle</li> <li>• Earth Surface &amp; Interior</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What are the changes in global land cover and land use, and what are their causes?</li> <li>- How do ecosystems, land cover &amp; biogeochemical cycle respond to and affect environmental change?</li> <li>- What are the consequences of land cover and land use change for human societies and the sustainability of ecosystems ?</li> <li>- What are the consequences of increased human activities on coastal regions?</li> </ul>



Landsat 7 data used to aid Indonesian government with tsunami relief efforts (David Skole, Michigan State University)

### Instruments

- Operational Land Imager – Ball Aerospace
- Thermal Infrared Sensor – NASA GSFC

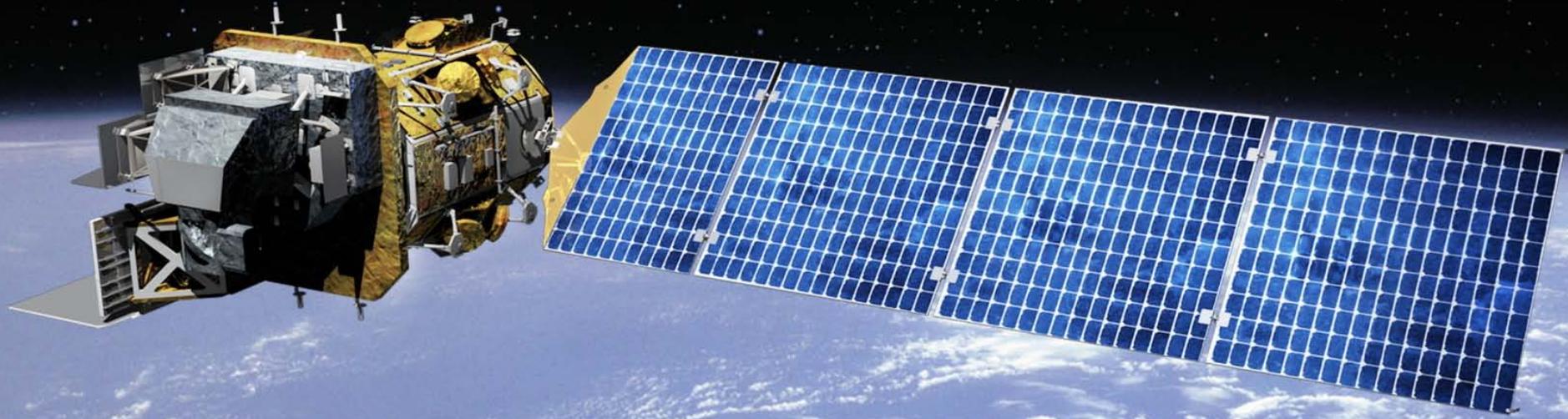
### Spacecraft

- Orbital Sciences Corporation

### Mission Team

- NASA Goddard Space Flight Center
- Dept. of Interior's United States Geological Survey (USGS)
- NASA Kennedy Space Center

# LDCM Status Update

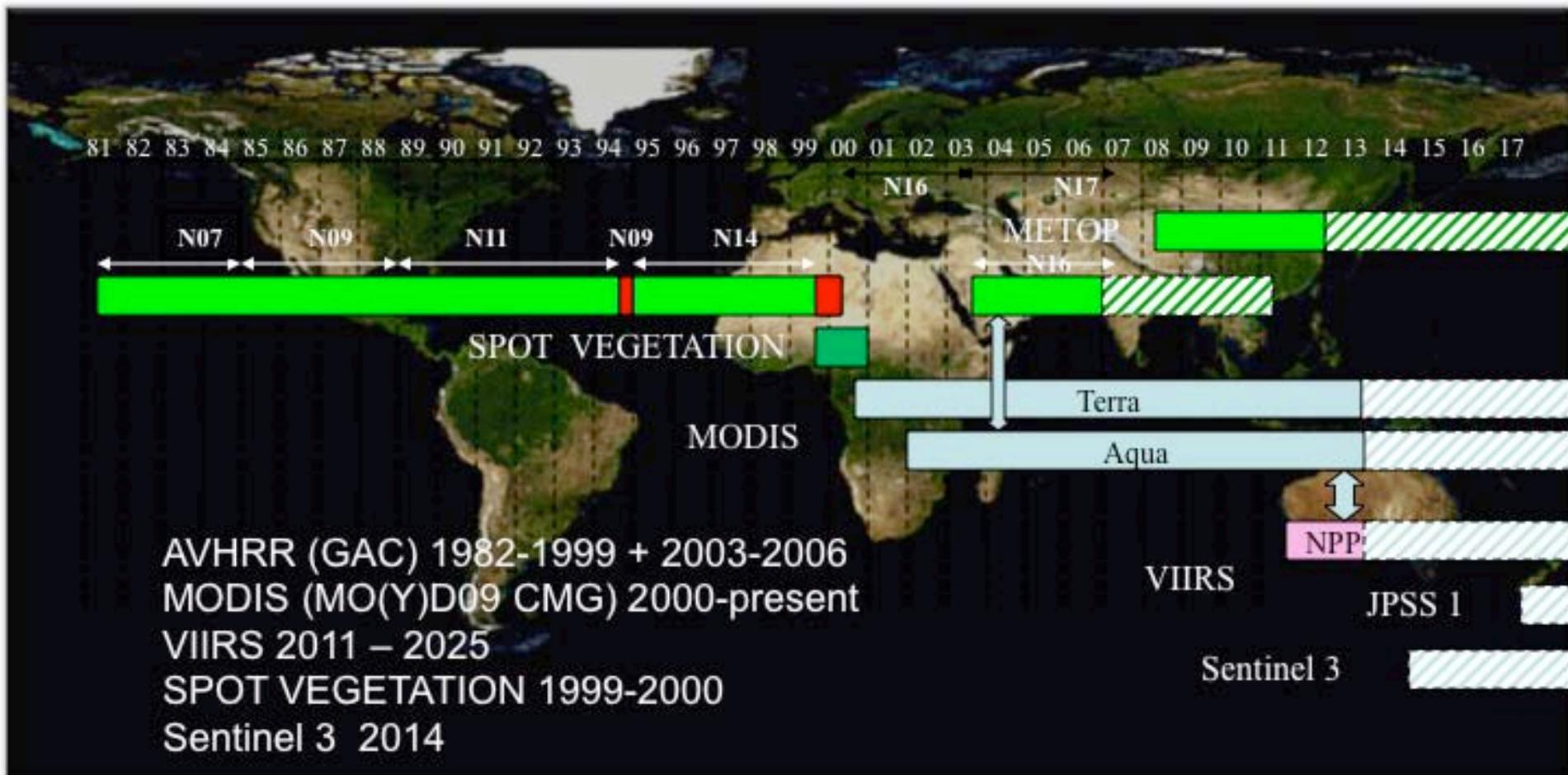


- All spacecraft and instrument systems continue to perform normally.
- Routine calibrations have continued along with OLI and TIRS instrument imaging.
- 16-day operational imaging and calibration test cycle (400 scenes/day) completed.



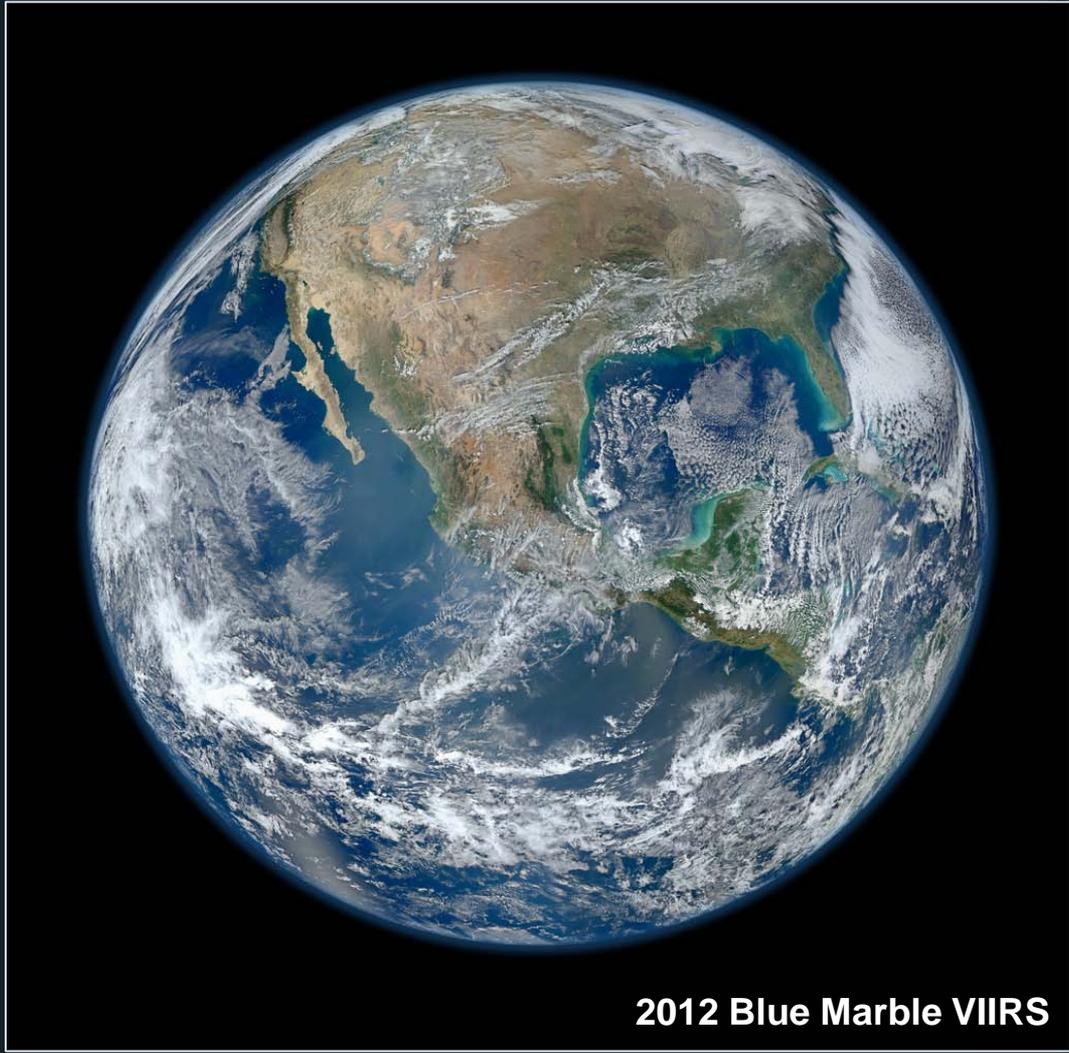
# A Land Climate Data Record

Eric Vermote, Code 619, NASA GSFC

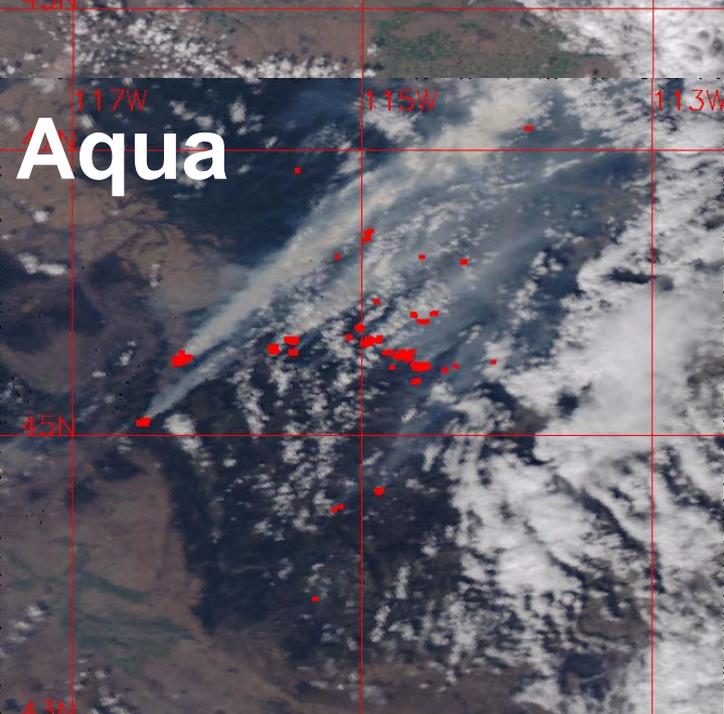
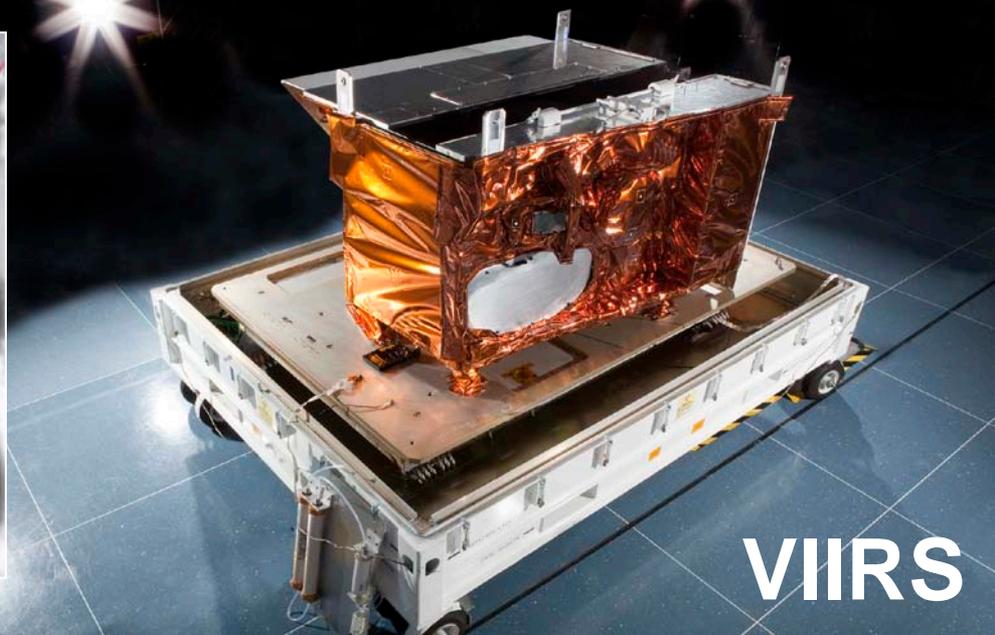
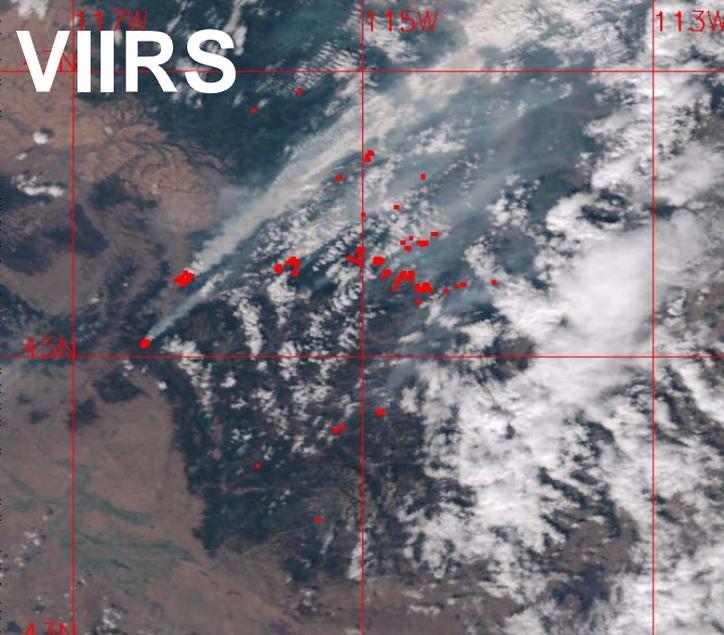


**Figure 1:** The generation of a Land climate data record (several decade) necessitates the use of multi instrument/multi sensor science quality data record. This record is used to quantify the trend and change in land surface parameter (e.g. Vegetation/Land Cover). A strong emphasis is put on data consistency which is achieved by careful characterization and processing of the original data rather than degrading and smoothing the dataset.

# Suomi NPP – Revisiting the Blue Marble



2012 Blue Marble VIIRS



*I. Csiszar (NOAA)*

# Continuation of the EOS record of Climate-Quality Observations



Average Fraction of Vegetation Absorbed PAR in July and August of 2012

<0.05	0.15	0.25	0.35	0.45	0.55	0.65	0.75	>0.85
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◀ **Conversion of MODIS code for Daily LAI/FPAR to VIIRS Land Science gridded product.**

**R. Myneni (BU)**



◀ **Provision of spatially gridded VIIRS Surface Reflectance at both moderate (0.5 - 1.0 km) and CMG resolutions.**

**Land PEATE- adjusted version of VIIRS Surface Reflectance IP**

**E. Vermote (GSFC)**

# VENTURE-CLASS UPDATE/STATUS



- **EV-1 (“EV-S” - Suborbital, Airborne)**
  - All 5 investigations have completed at least 1 sustained field campaign
  - All EV-1 investigations will fly during 2013
  - **Second EV-S solicitation funded, in preparation for release on schedule in mid-2013**
- **EV-2 (“EV-M” - Small-sat)**
  - **CYGNSS PI team and NASA program office making good progress, under contract 7 Dec 2012 (planned 2016-2017 launch)**
  - ESD/SMD developing detailed “Class D” management approaches and processes
- **EV-I (Instrument)**
  - **TEMPO selected for GEO hosted payload opportunity (2017 launch)**
  - ESD initiating formal host selection/negotiation process
  - **Second “EV-I/2” solicitation funded, on schedule for release**

# VENTURE-CLASS UPDATE/STATUS



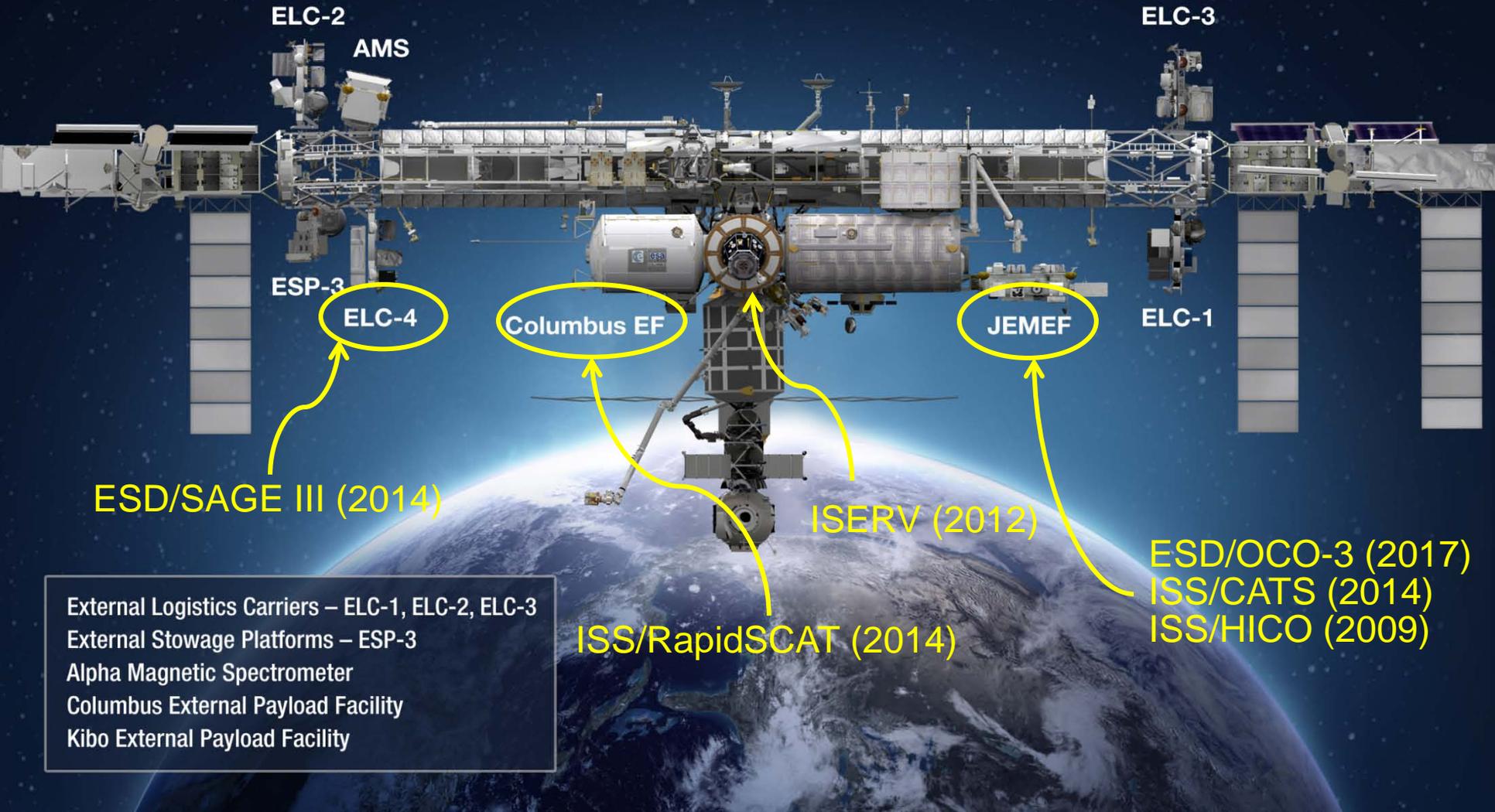
- **EV-1 Highlights: DISCOVER-AQ** (Deriving Information on Surface Conditions from Column and Vertically Resolved Observations Relevant to Air Quality)
  - Focuses on near-surface pollution, improving air quality forecasts, and determining the sources of pollutants in the air and fluctuations in emissions levels.

DISCOVER-AQ: *Flying straight to the source of pollution to learn more about the air we breathe.*



California 2013 Campaign

# International Space Station Earth Science Instruments



ELC-2

AMS

ELC-3

ESP-3

ELC-4

Columbus EF

JEMEF

ELC-1

ESD/SAGE III (2014)

ISSERV (2012)

ISS/RapidSCAT (2014)

ESD/OCO-3 (2017)  
ISS/CATS (2014)  
ISS/HICO (2009)

External Logistics Carriers – ELC-1, ELC-2, ELC-3  
External Stowage Platforms – ESP-3  
Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer  
Columbus External Payload Facility  
Kibo External Payload Facility

# Earth Observations from the ISS: NASA/ESD Status and Plans



- On-orbit instruments funded by non-ESD sources, ESD funding for analysis
  - HICO (Hyperspectral Imager for the Coastal Ocean)
    - Launched September, 2009 on HTV; mounted on JEM-EF
  - ISERV (Digital Camera and Telescope)
    - Launched July, 2012 on HTV-3; mounted internally on WORF
- Planned instruments funded by NASA/HEOMD, ESD funding for analysis
  - CATS (Cloud-Aerosol Transport System for ISS)
    - LIDAR, summer 2013, HTV, JEM-EF
  - Rapid-Scat (Ku-band scatterometer)
    - Launch early CY2014, Falcon/Dragon
  - *Lightning Imaging Sensor (under consideration)*
  - *Hyperspectral Follow-on to HICO (under consideration)*
- Approved instruments funded by ESD
  - SAGE-III (Stratospheric Aerosol and Gas Expt)
    - In Phase-C; 12/2014 Launch on Falcon/Dragon; ESA provides hexapod pointing p'form
  - OCO-3 (*Orbiting Carbon Observatory-3 instrument only*)
    - *Phase-A November 2012; Launch Fall, 2017*

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