



Validation and support of space-based measurements with the Pandonia Global Network of ground-based spectrometers

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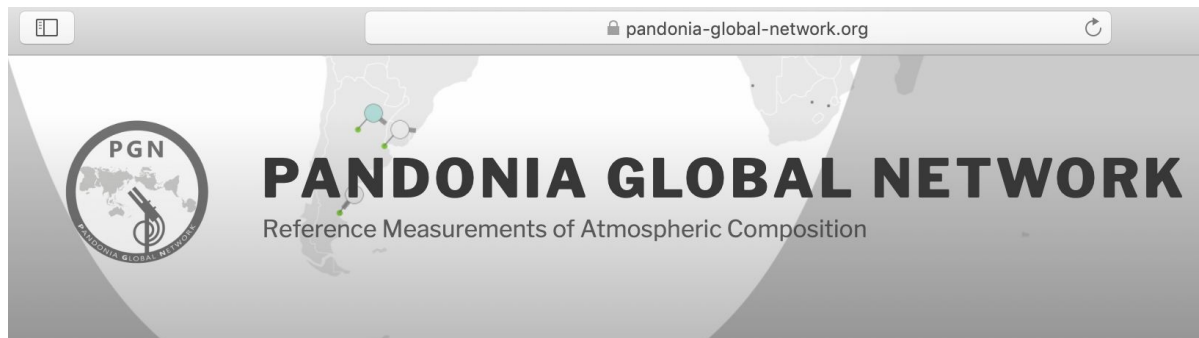
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Pandonia Global Network: Reference measurements of O₃, NO₂, and HCHO



- 1) Calibration and Quality Assurance:
 - a) Laboratory and Field calibration of instruments
- 2) Network operation
 - a) Remote monitoring and repair of instruments
- 3) Retrieval
 - a) Production of O₃, NO₂ and HCHO Columns/Profiles



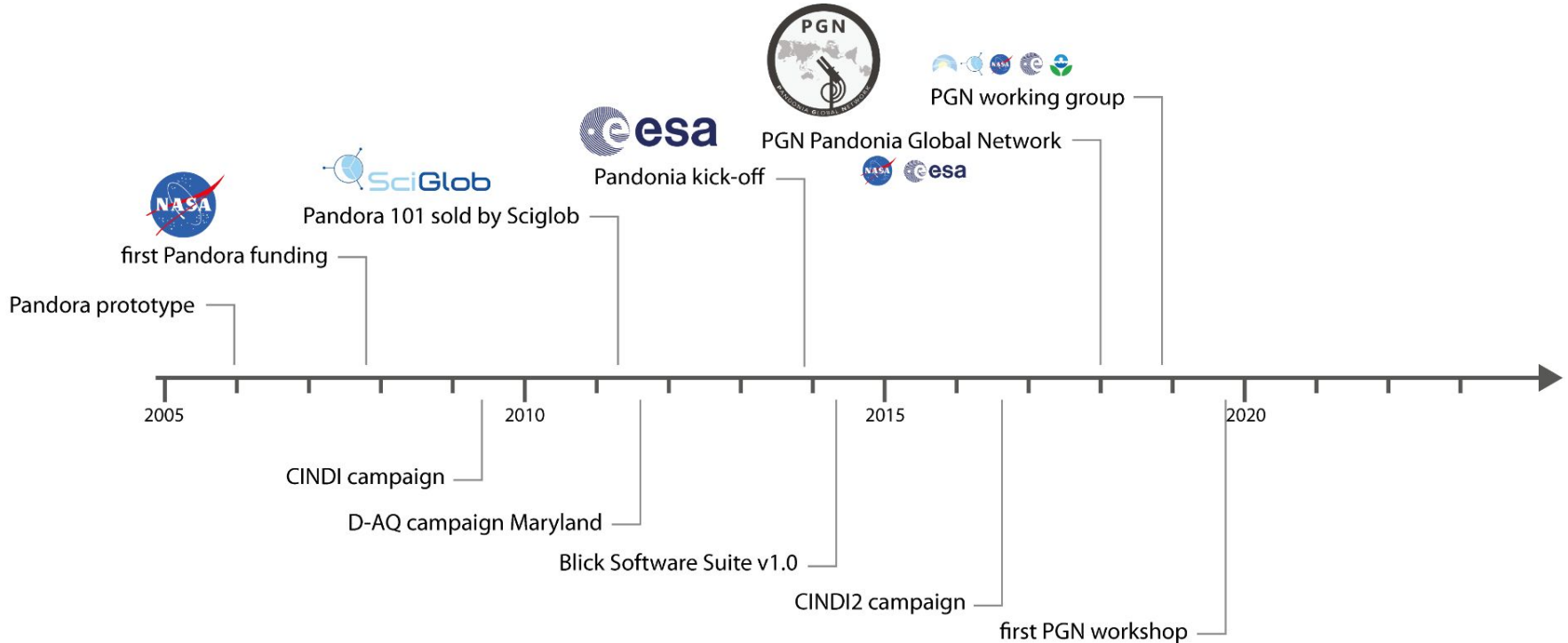
The PGN operates 175+ Pandora instruments

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Time Evolution of Pandora and the PGN



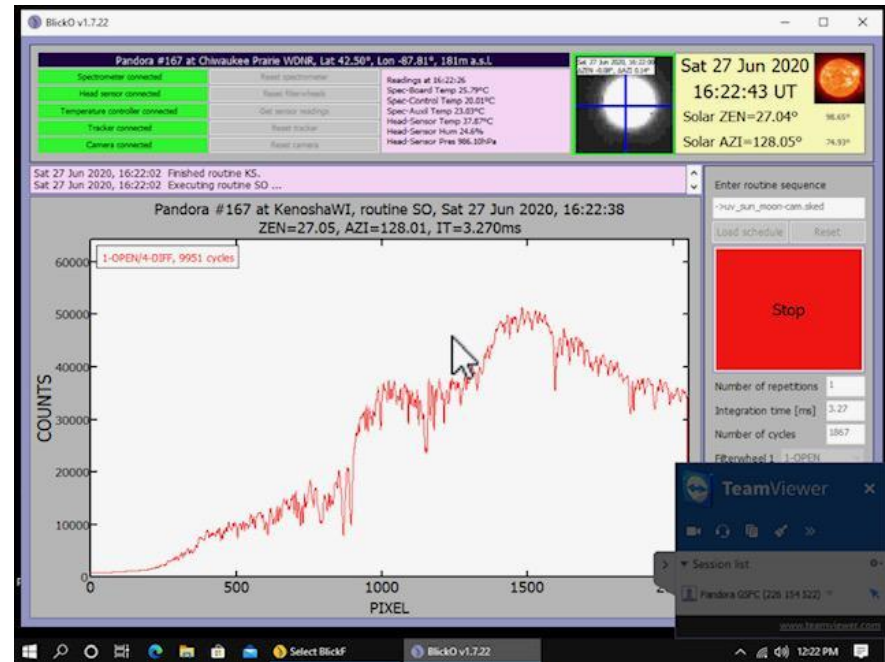
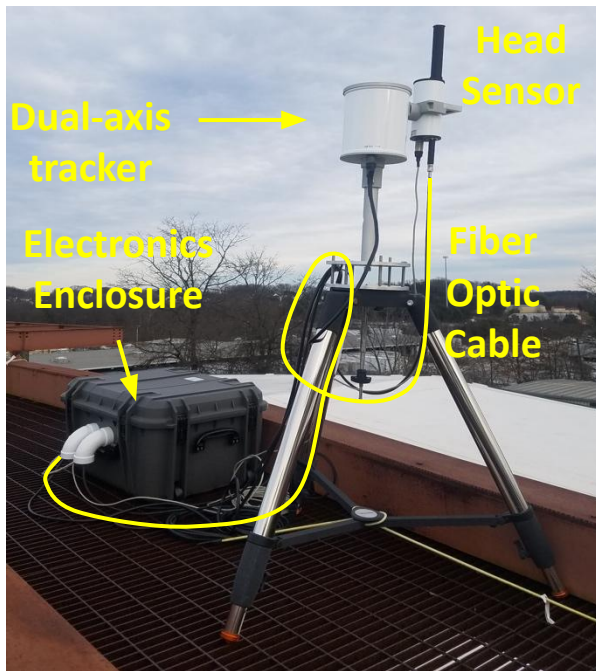
Principles in this timeline: Jay Herman, Alexander Cede, Nader Abuhassan, Elena Lind, Bob Swap



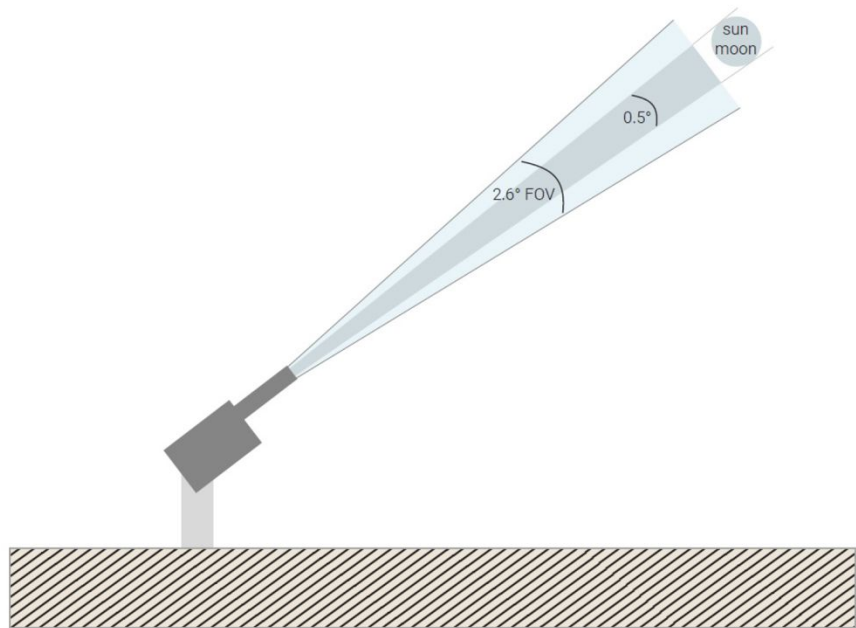
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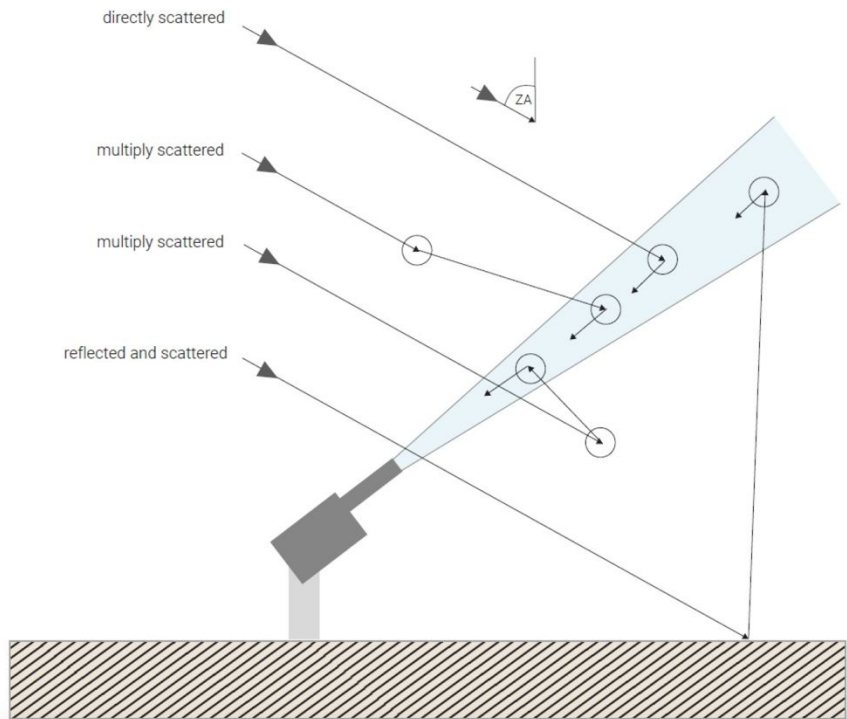
- Pandora is a ground-based sun/sky/moon viewing spectrometer system
- The sensor head (light collector) is mounted on a 2-axis tracker.
- Sun/sky/moon-light is directed to the input of a ccd spectrometer with a fiber optic cable.
- Control electronics for semi-autonomous operation in all-weather conditions
- Pixels (wavelength) and Counts (intensity) are used to derive trace gas abundance



Pandora measurements

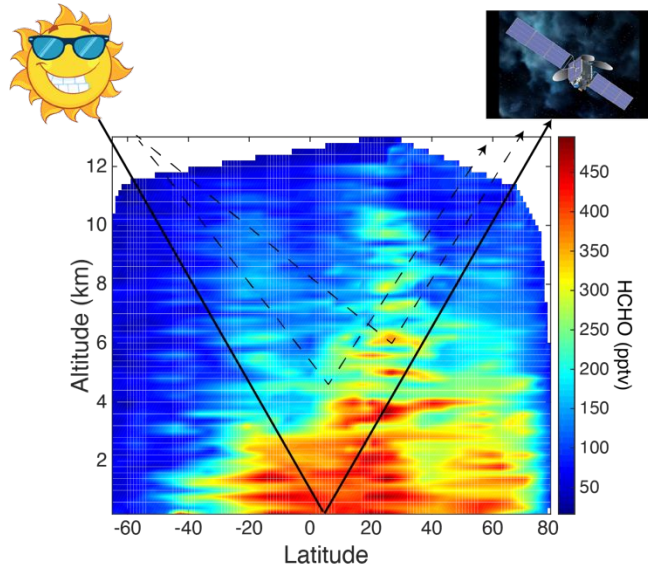


Direct sun: mostly BEER's Law.
 Total absorption used to derive the column abundance between the instrument and the top of atmosphere

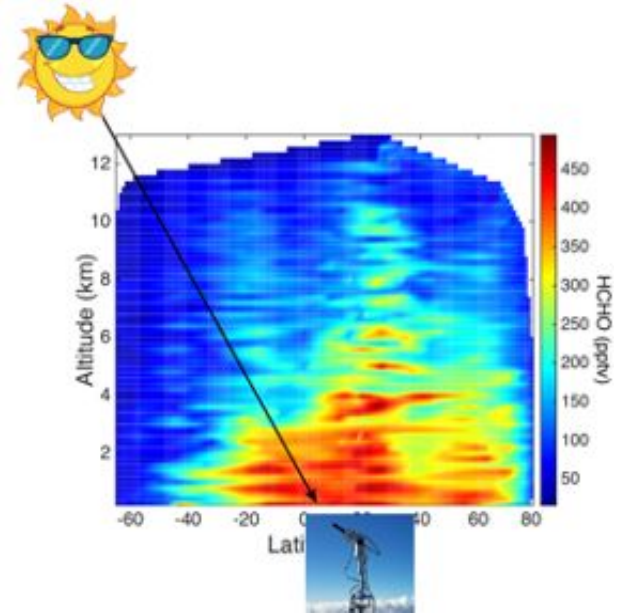


MAX-DOAS: multiple angle BEER's Law
 Differential measurements used to derive the abundance at multiple elevations

Motivation



NASA Satellites measure sunlight reflected from the earth's surface and scattered from the atmosphere. This is complicated and requires assumptions (*a priori*) that are not always correct. Even harder with Geostationary!



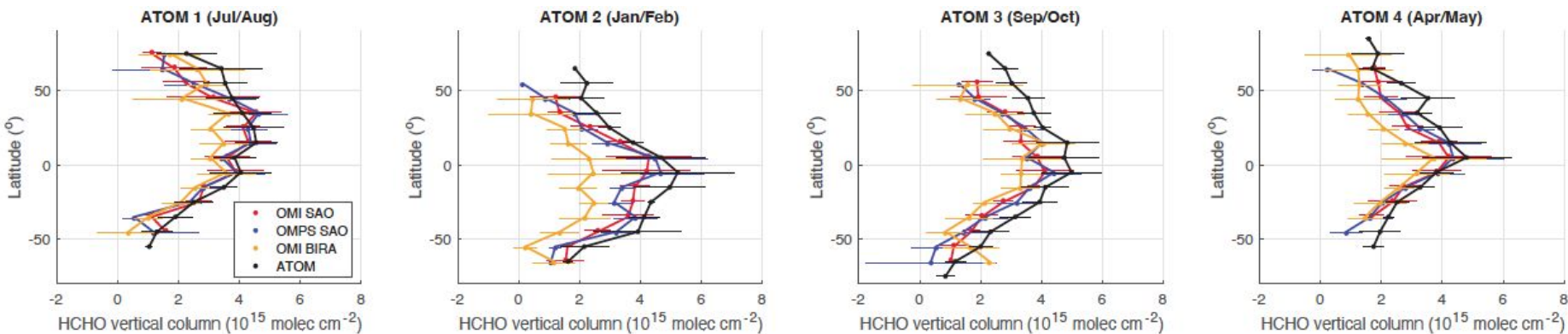
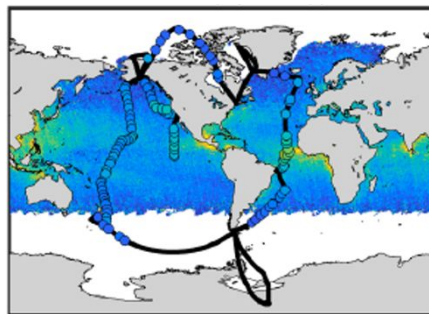
Pandora provides direct sun with lower sensitivity to scattered light. MAX-DOAS profiles can be used to validate the *a priori* assumptions.

Applications



Currently: Use integrated *in situ* columns to evaluate HCHO

Goal: Use Pandora PGN profiles to evaluate TEMPO and Sentinel 4

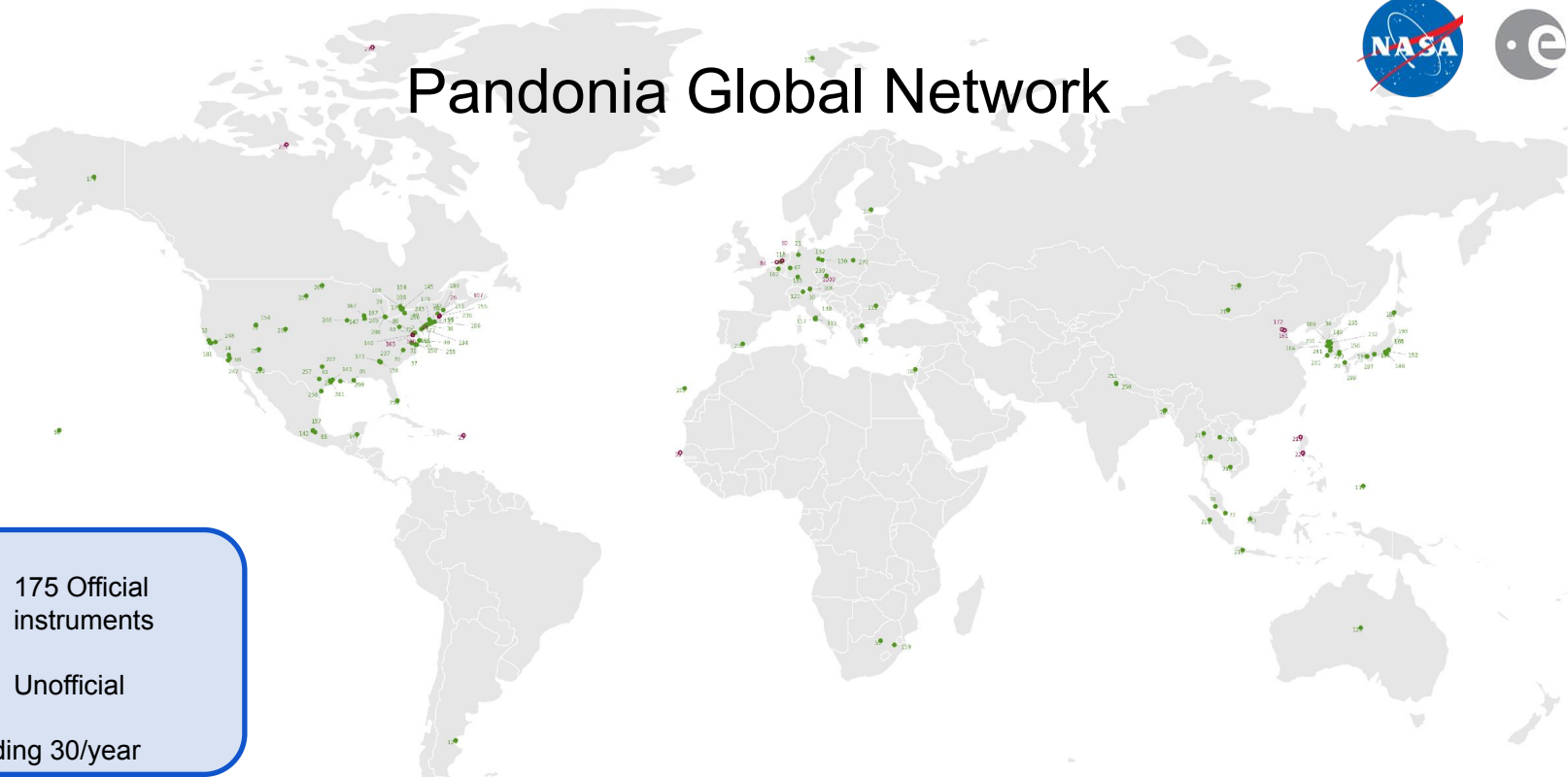


Validation of formaldehyde products from three satellite retrievals (OMI SAO, OMPS-NPP SAO, and OMI BIRA) in the marine atmosphere with four seasons ATom aircraft observations

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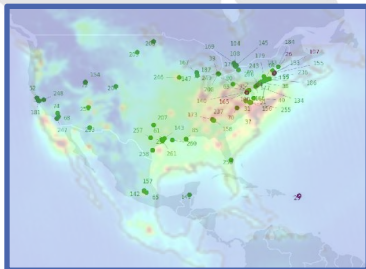
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● Unofficial
 Adding 30/year

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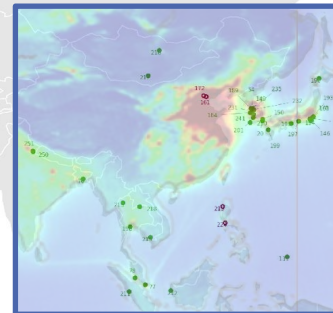
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TEMPO



SENTINEL-4



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PGN Real Time Data: BlickV

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Total columns (DU)



Tropospheric columns (DU)



Surface concentrations (ppb)



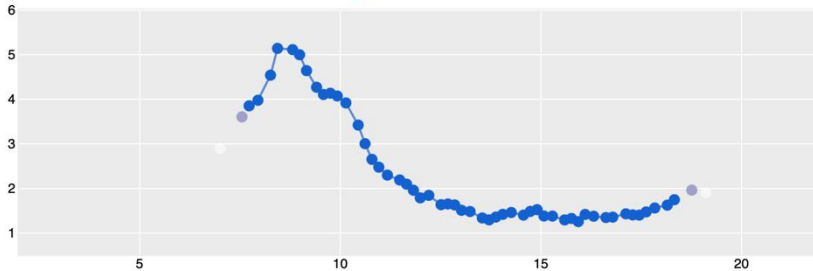
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x-axes are local time

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248: NO₂ - surface concentration

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unassured quality



parameter	value	median
local time	-	-
surface concentration	ppb -	1.619e+0
uncertainty	ppb -	1.436e-2
fit RMS	-	3.844e-4
wl. shift	nm -	3.520e-3
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AMF	-	-
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FW1	-	-

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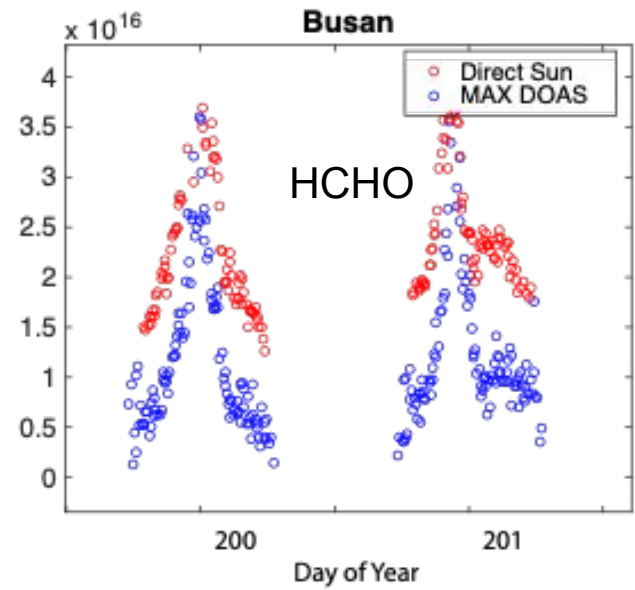
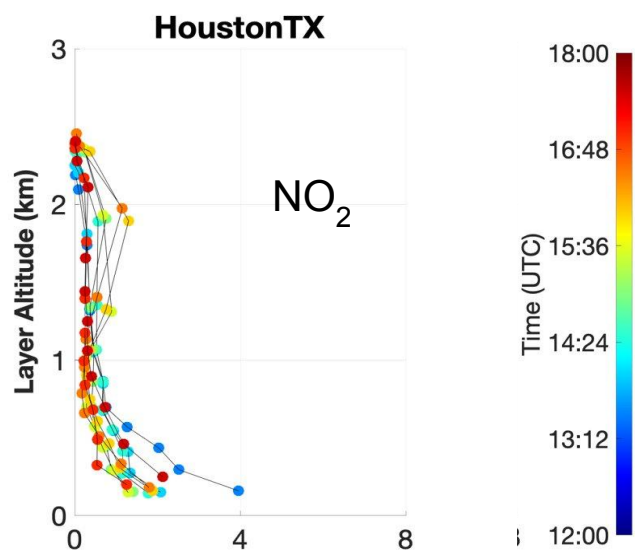
All products are available for download on BlickV.

Quality assured total column NO₂ and O₃ are archived at the EVDC.

“Out of the Box” MAX-DOAS products provided without a field calibration.

Data quality

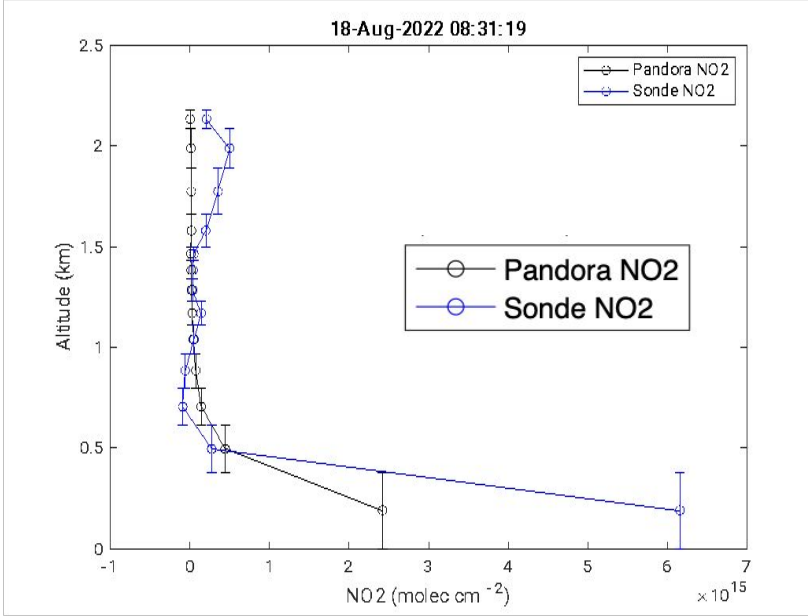
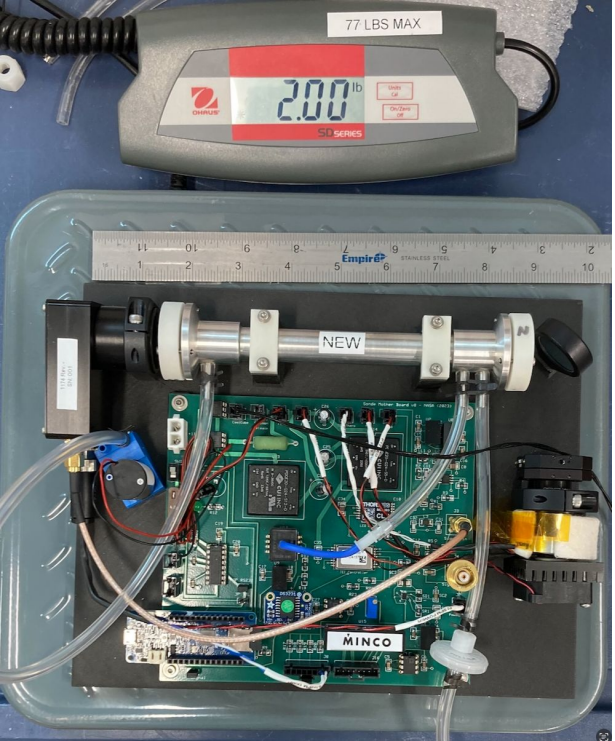
- Direct sun NO_2 and O_3 are “validation quality”. These products have been validated with airborne (DISCOVER-AQ), balloon (O_3 sonde), and ground remote (Brewers). High quality data is on the EVDC.
- Profiles (MAX-DOAS) of NO_2 and HCHO and direct sun HCHO are not fully understood.



Validation of MAX-DOAS products: NO₂

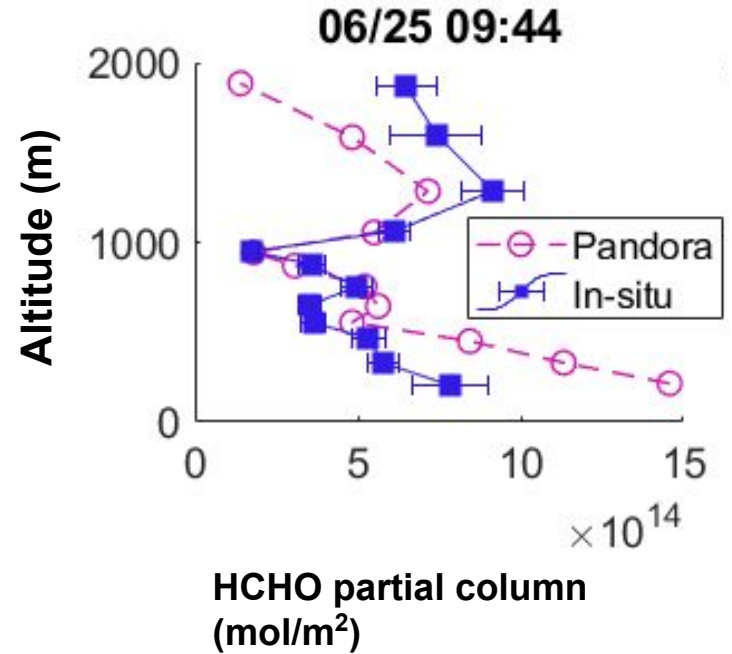
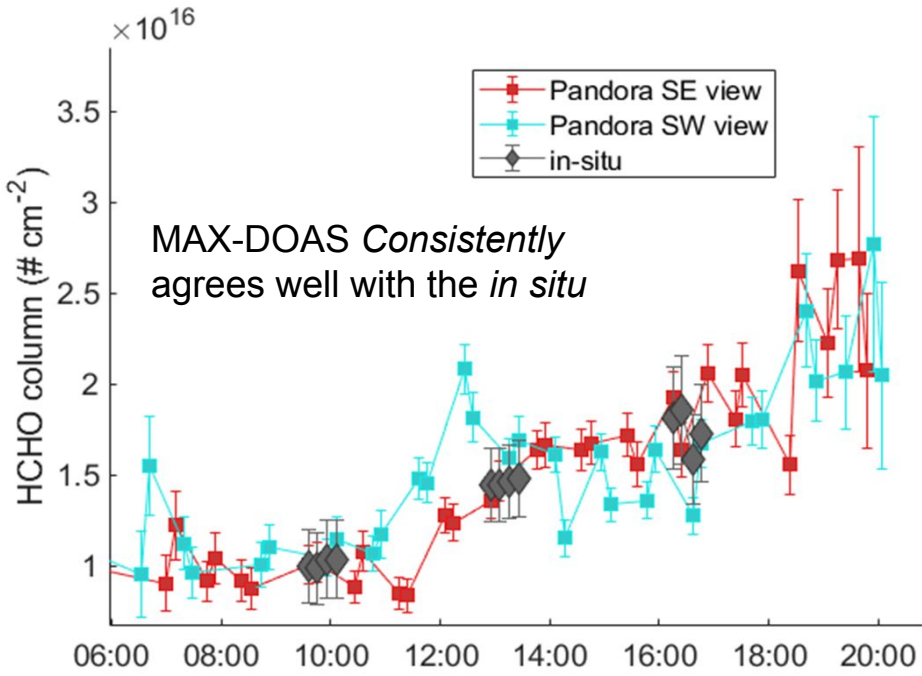
Airborne, balloon and ground-based *in situ* comparisons to MAX-DOAS NO₂.

Measurements of NO₂ columns are robust but our understanding of the spatial distribution needs improvement.



Validation of MAX-DOAS products: HCHO

NASA (SARP) and EPA (ALEGROS) airborne *in situ* profiles over Pandora sites in 2024. More flights planned for 2025.

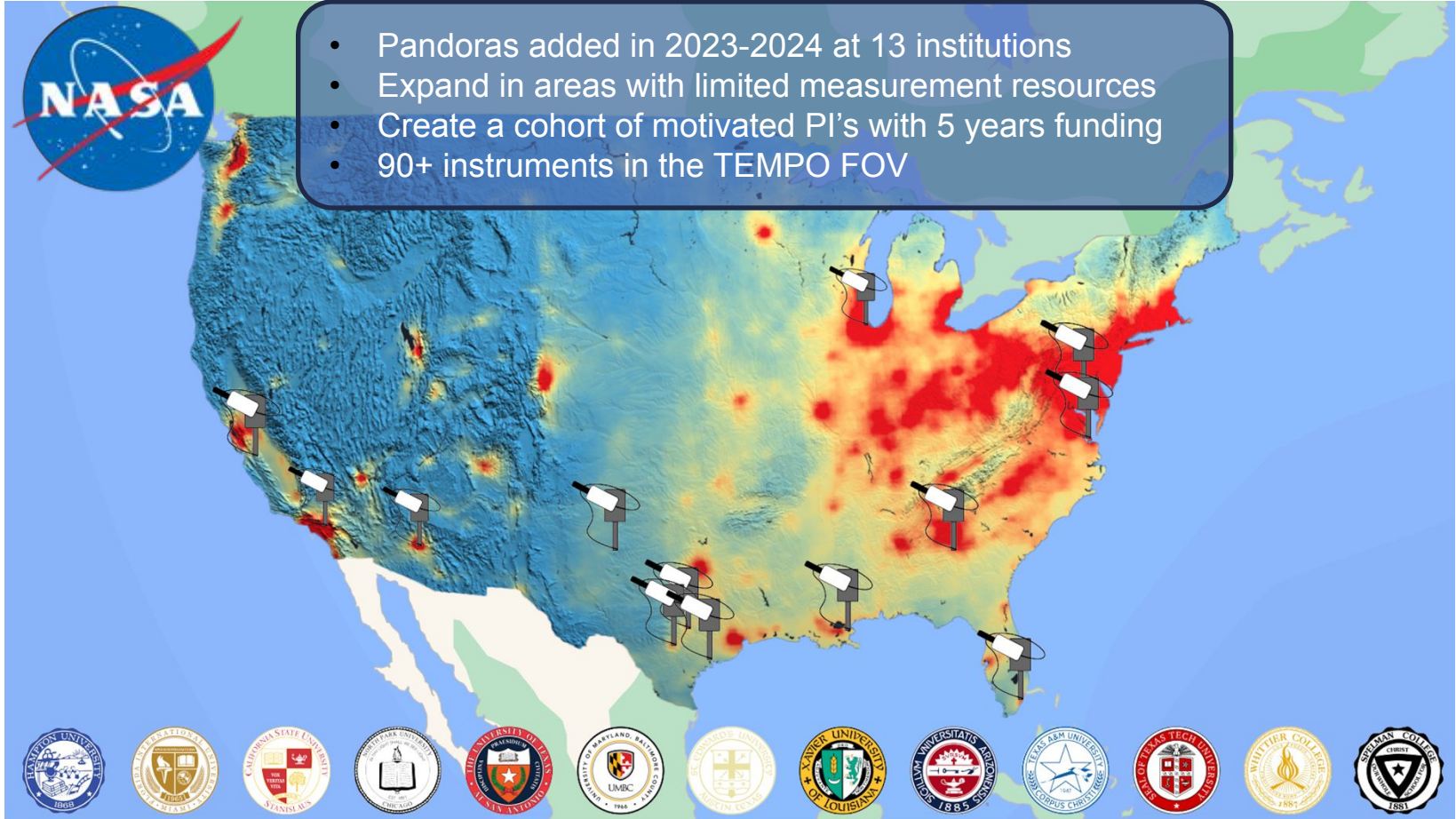


Expansion programs

- Leverage other agencies and objectives
 - For example, the United Nations UNESCO funded 23 instruments to be managed by KOICA and NIER in southeast ASIA.
- EPA 25+ instruments
- NASA IPMSI – 13 instruments
- NASA Satellite needs Working Group (SNWG) - Hard to reach rural and developing nation sites
 - 10 US department of Agriculture rural sites
 - 10 US State Department embassy locations
- NOAA starting investment with interest for GEO-XO.
 - Installed at Essex, Maryland MDE site in June 2024



Increasing Participation in Minority Serving Institutions (IPMSI)



- Pandoras added in 2023-2024 at 13 institutions
- Expand in areas with limited measurement resources
- Create a cohort of motivated PI's with 5 years funding
- 90+ instruments in the TEMPO FOV

Colocated Pandora and Cimels

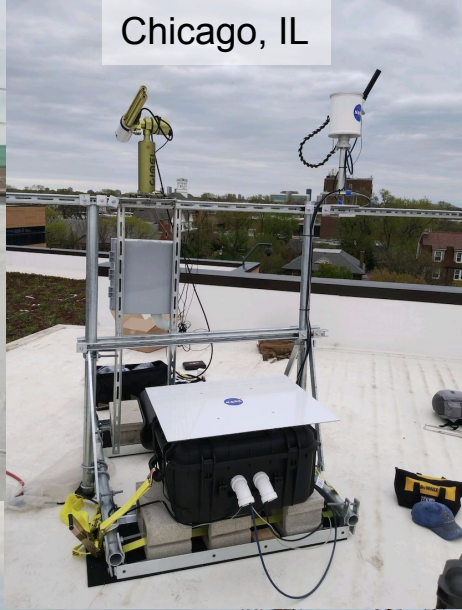
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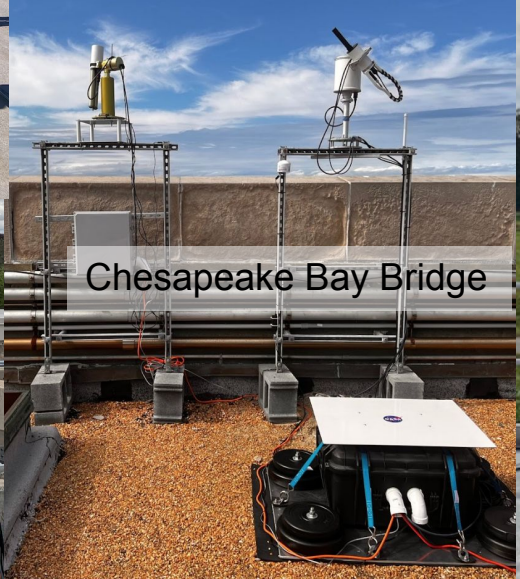
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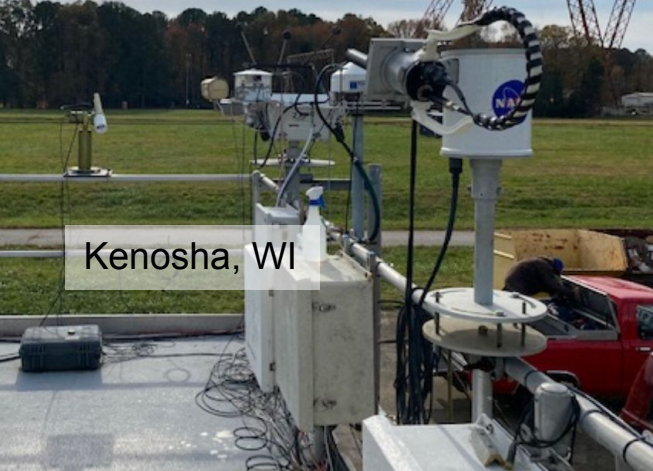
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Chesapeake Bay Bridge

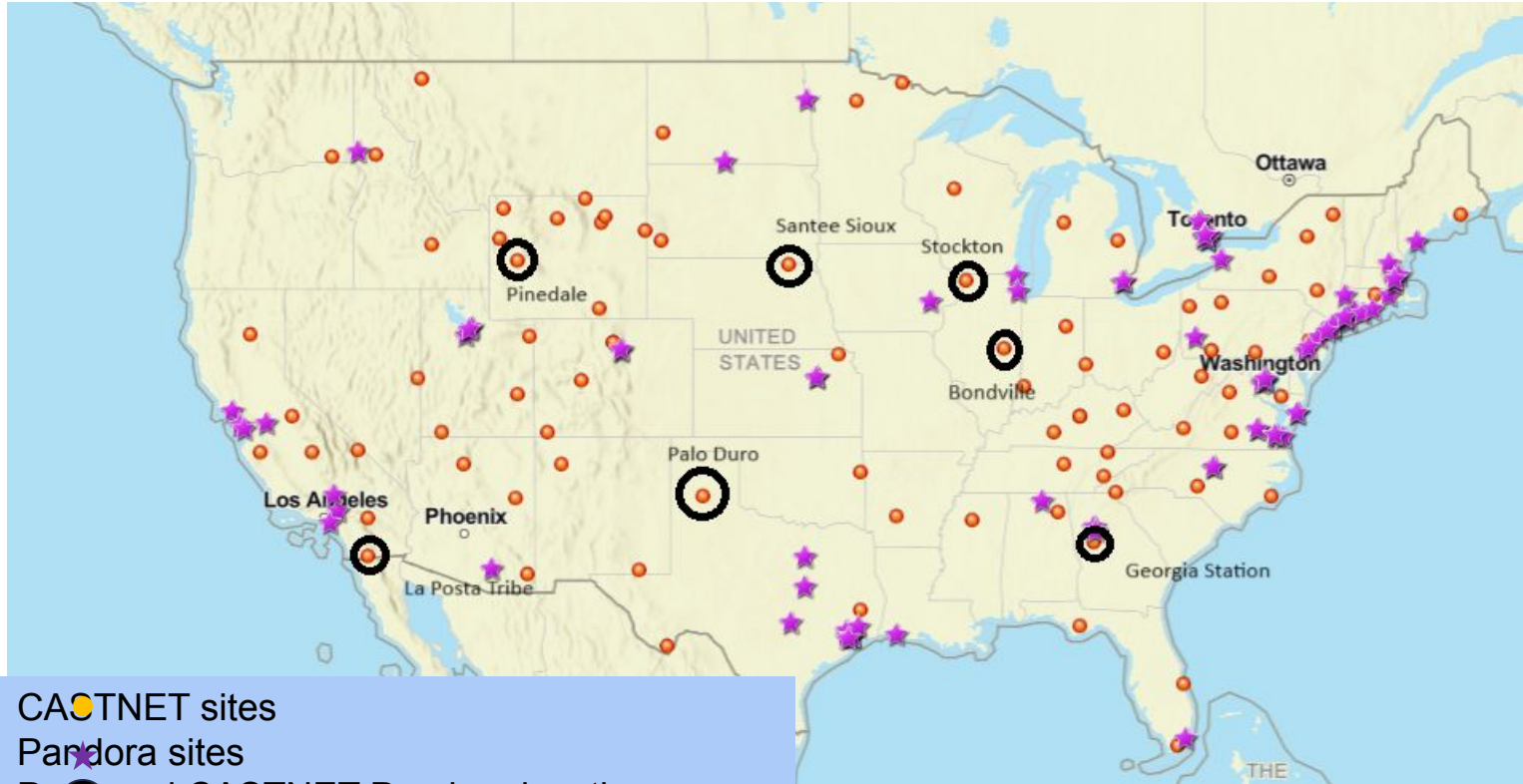


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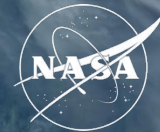
SNWG rural and agricultural sites

- SNWG US department of Agriculture, US Forestry Service, US Environmental Protection Agency



CASTNET sites
 Pandora sites
 Proposed CASTNET Pandora location

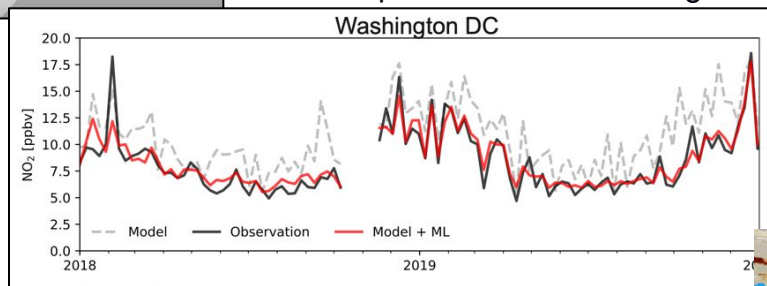
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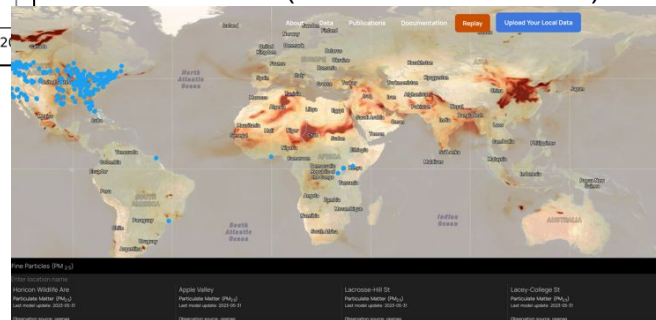
Pandora observations



GEOS-CF model output + machine learning

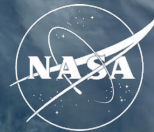


Public access (historical & forecasts)

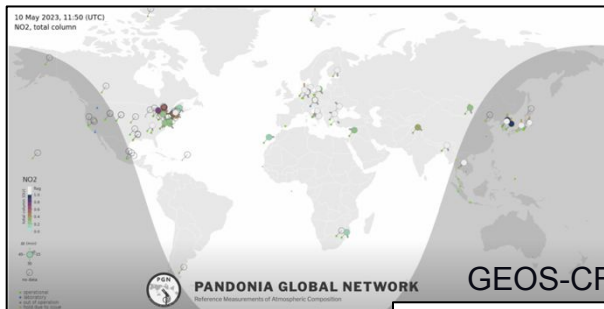


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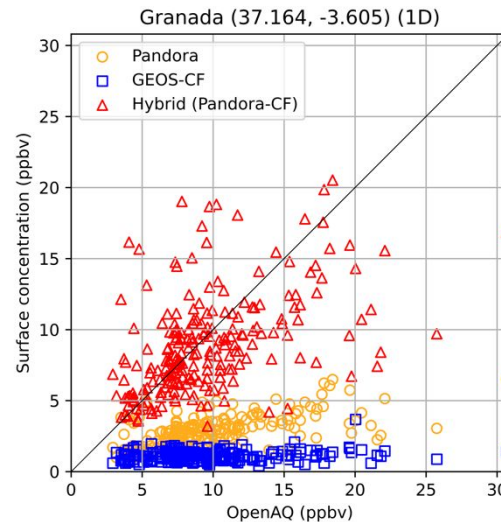
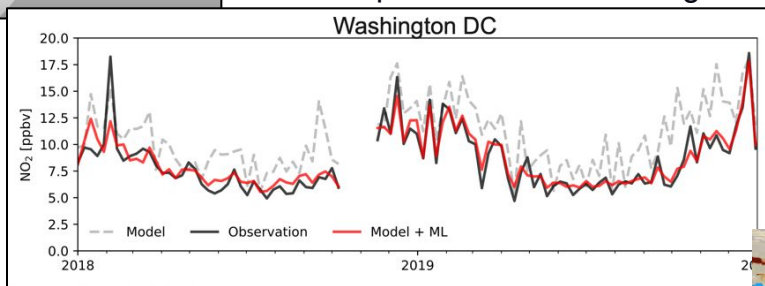


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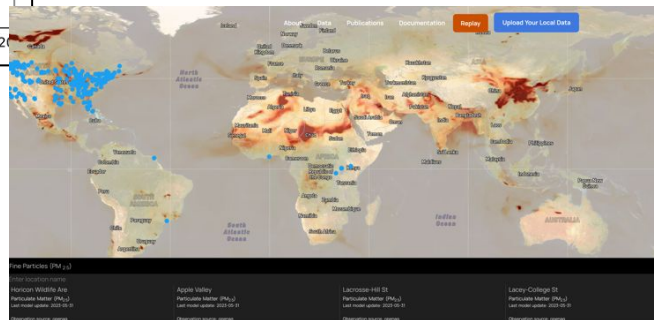


PGN +
GEOS_CF trop columns
-> Surface concentration

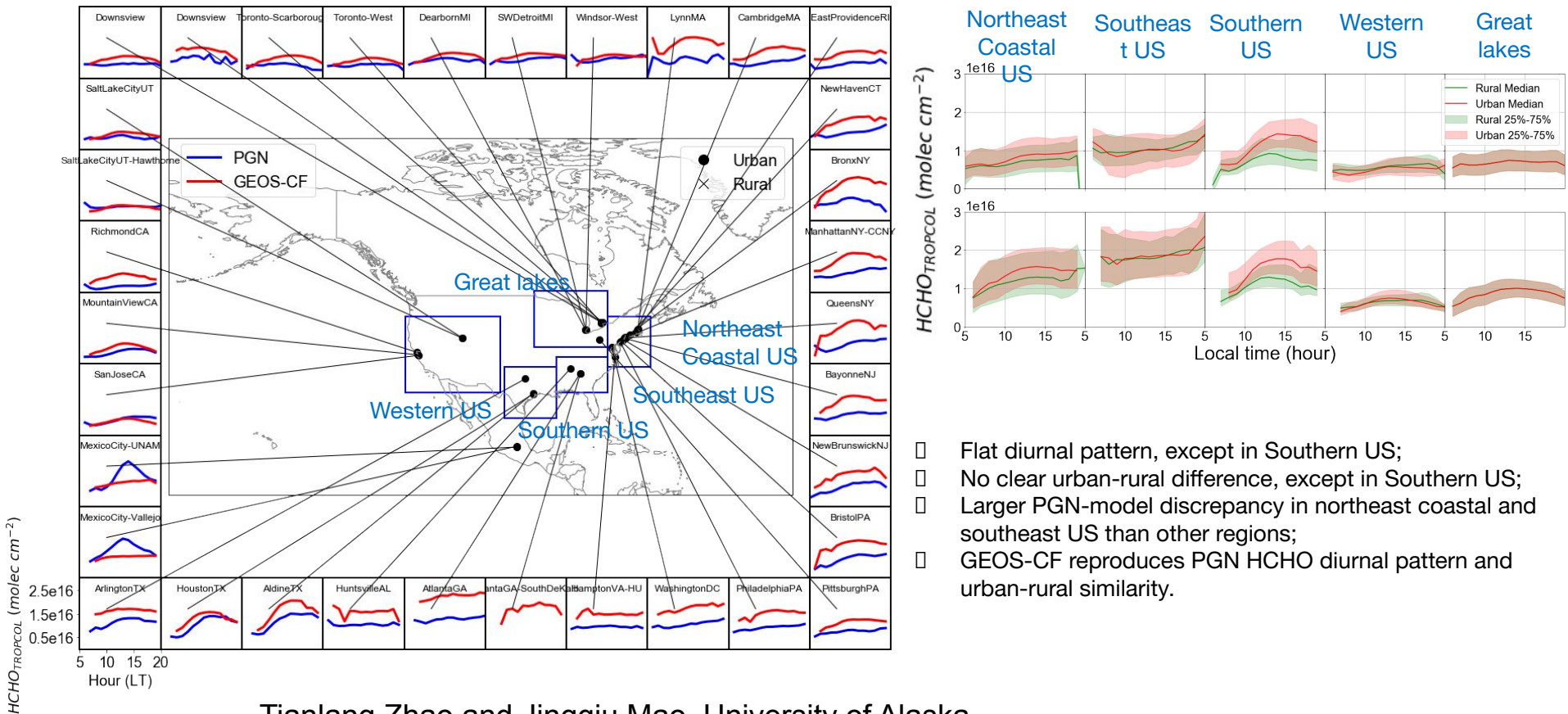
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PGN vs GEOS-CF: Diurnal variation of HCHO tropospheric column, in urban sites of North America (2021-2023 summer)



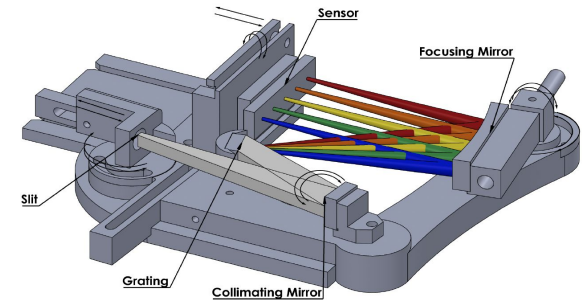
Tianlang Zhao and Jingqiu Mao, University of Alaska.

Instrumentation & Technology

- Delrin -> Nylon in sensor head. **Complete**
- Upgraded tracker. **Complete**
 - Still working on trackers with brakes
- Upgraded sensor head cables on all new instruments/repairs.
- New optical diffusers in all new instruments/repairs.
- Dehumidifier in spectrometer box
 - Humidity is still #1 failure mode
 - All new NASA instruments have the dehumidifier
- Custom spectrometer development through NASA SBIR
 - Low stray light
 - Temperature controlled detector
 - Fiber adapter
- New PAN-C all in one in GSFC lab for calibration



Electrolytic membrane dehumidifier

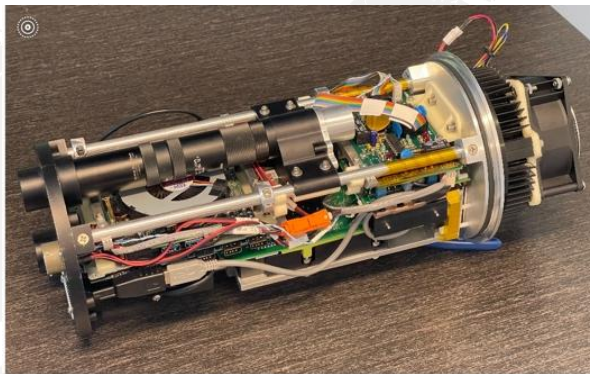


SciGlob NASA SBIR Ph-II
Spectrometer prototype



Pan-C NASA SBIR

THANKS!



Optical NO₂ Sonde
HCHO and O₃ in development
2 kg
100 ppt/s
Bailey et al., *AMT*

