

# **Recent developments of Sun-photometer/Lidar observations for aerosols characterization and monitoring**

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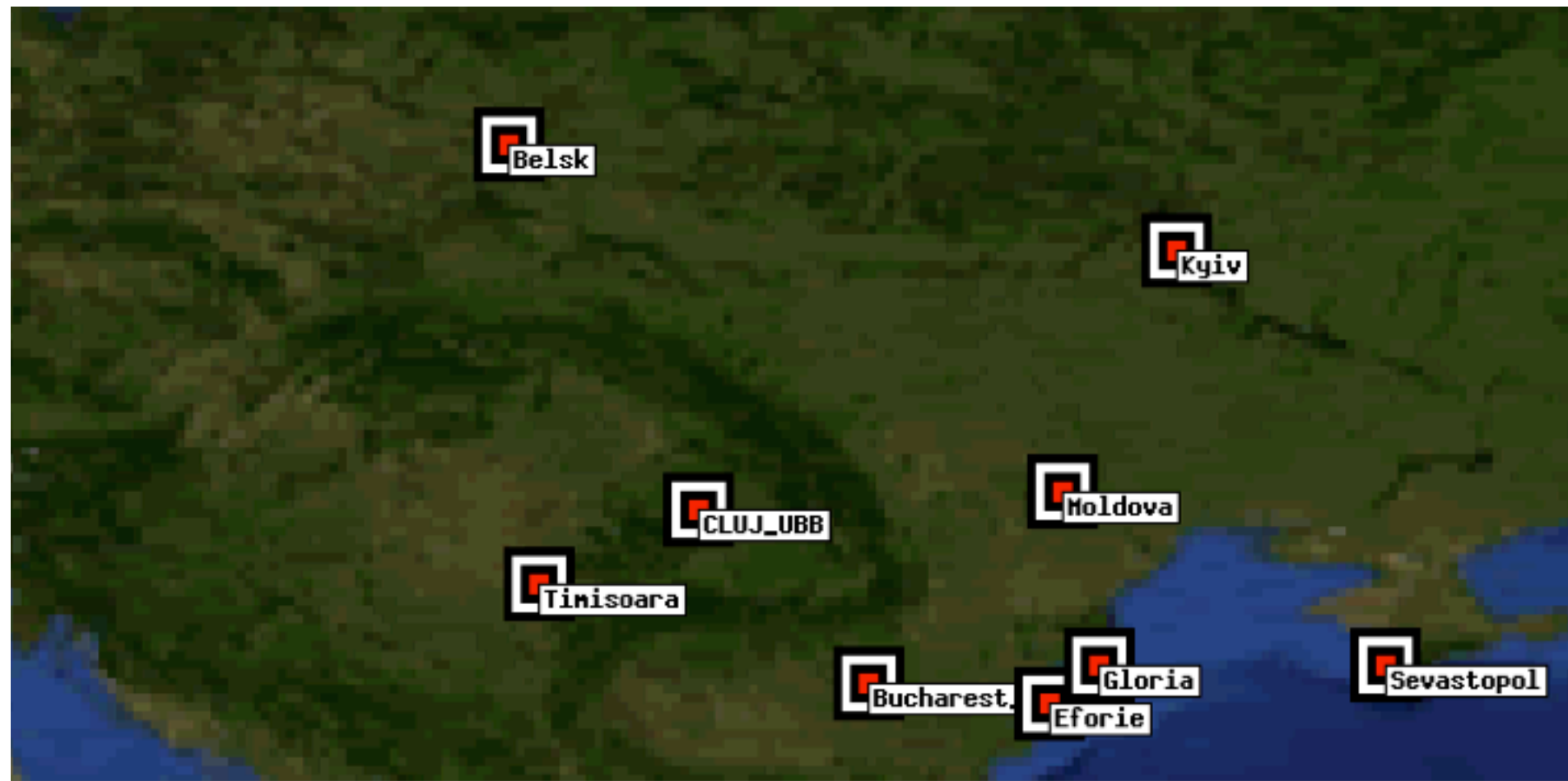
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# Romania



Belsk (51N,20E)	Bucharest_Inoe (44N,26E)	CLUJ_UBB (46N,23E)
Eforie (44N,28E)	Gloria (44N,29E)	Kyiv (50N,30E)
Moldova (47N,28E)	Sevastopol (44N,33E)	Timisoara (45N,21E)

*Bucharest, Eforie, Cluj + Timisoara + Iasi within ROLINET ...*

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**Characteristics of AERONET** : homogeneity in instrumentation (robust, autonomy), real time data acquisition and data/products publication, centralized and automatic processing, Data Quality Insurance, Public domain.

Pretty nice amount of *column integrated* aerosol parameters are retrieved and available. However, their vertical distributions are not available and require active system like lidar.

**Lidar : more complex systems but** becoming more simple, cheaper and automatic. For several years, micro-LIDAR systems are developing and are operated by more and more research laboratories, not being specialized in lidar design and building.

Sun-photometer data combined with lidar data yields improvement of aerosol characterization

**Since 2005-2006**, LOA started routine Lidar observations (24/7) with a CIMEL micro-Lidar (532 nm, elastic backscatter) at different locations

# LOA Super-site DAKAR (Senegal)

Pyrheliometer CH1 (direct, 0,2-4  $\mu\text{m}$ )

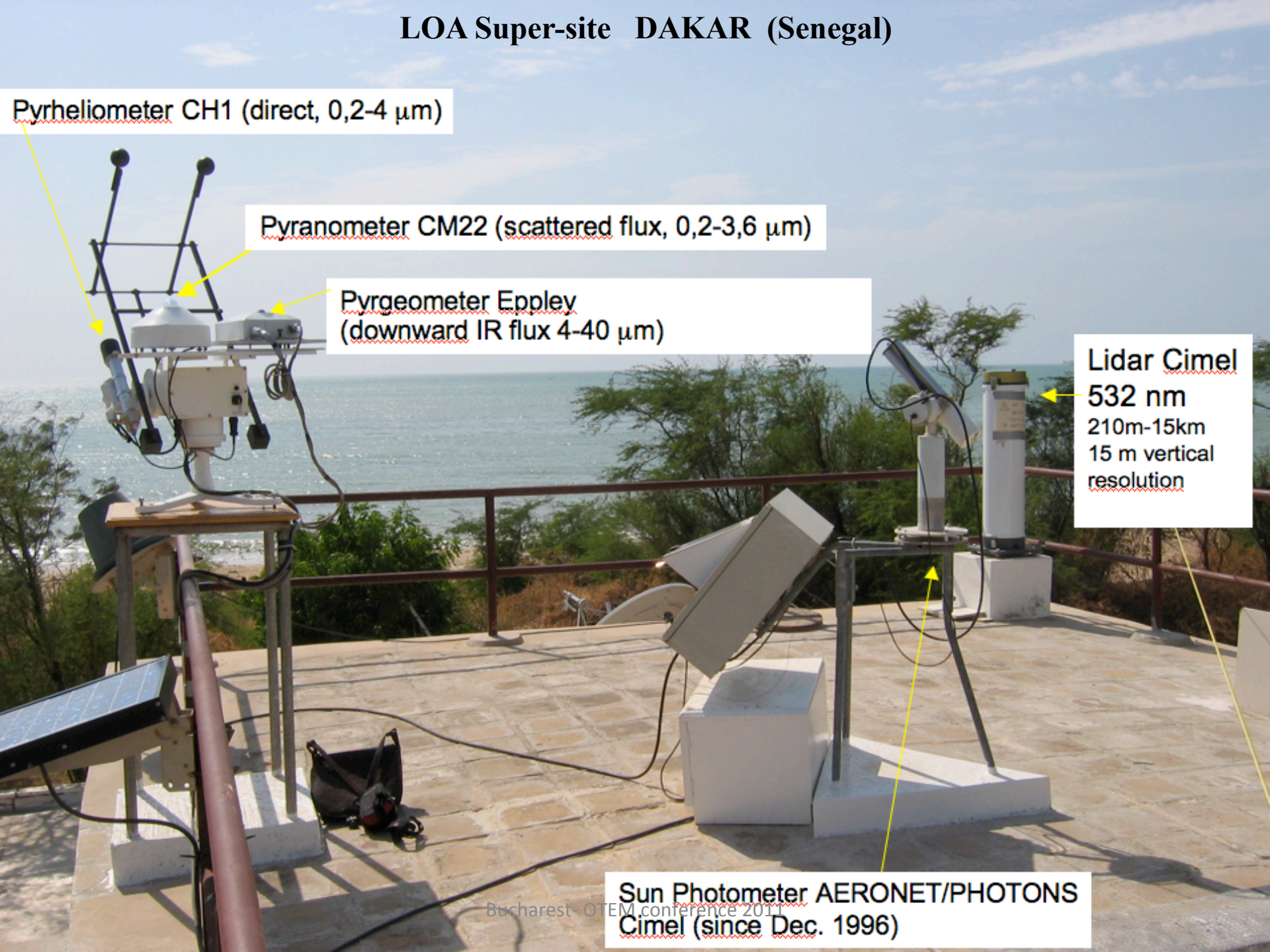
Pyranometer CM22 (scattered flux, 0,2-3,6  $\mu\text{m}$ )

Pyrgeometer Eppley  
(downward IR flux 4-40  $\mu\text{m}$ )

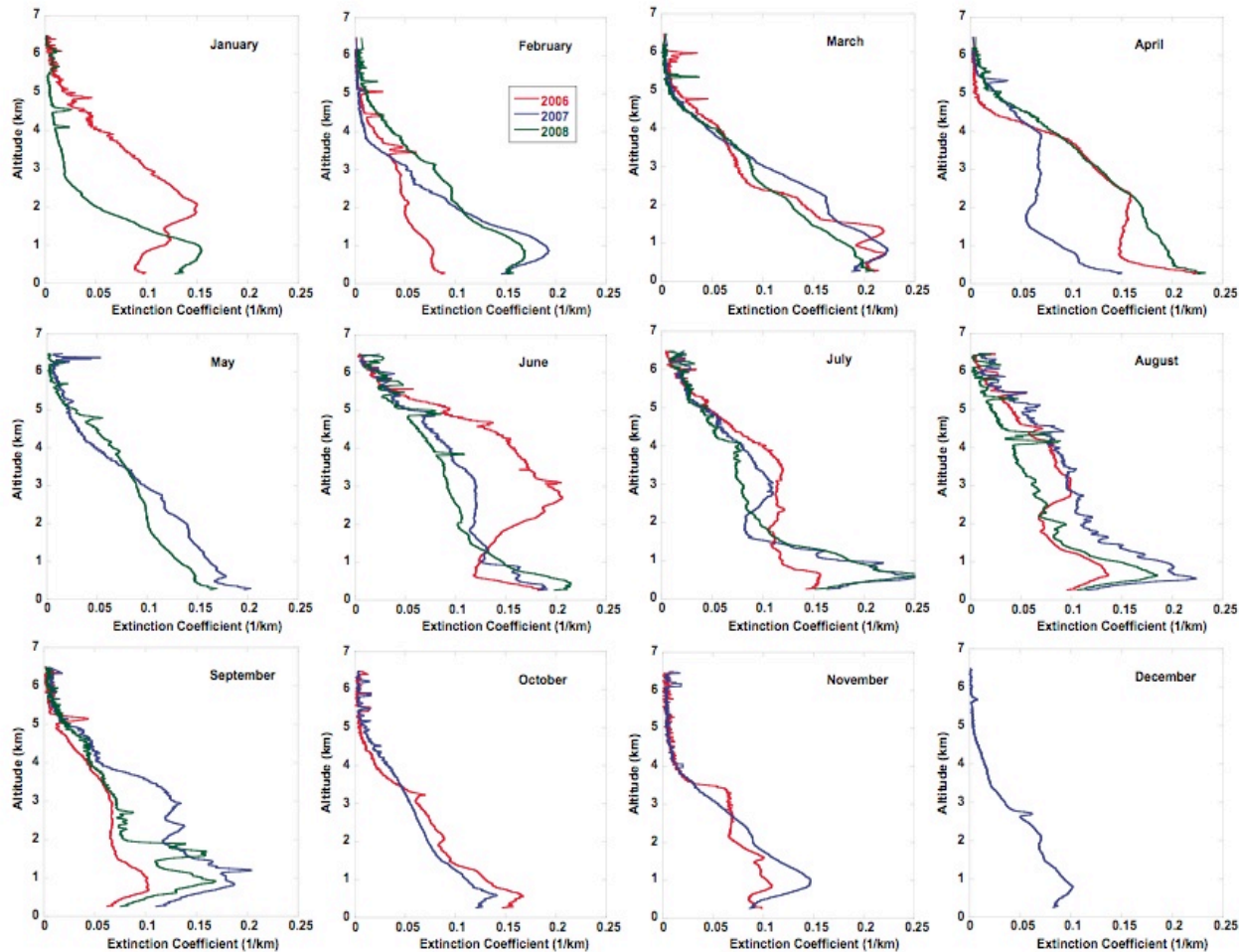
Lidar Cimel  
532 nm  
210m-15km  
15 m vertical  
resolution

Sun Photometer AERONET/PHOTONS  
Cimel (since Dec. 1996)

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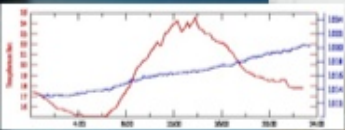
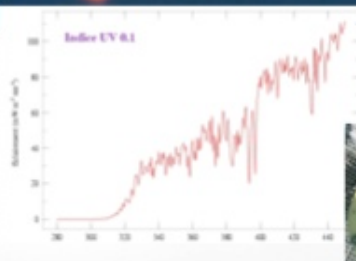
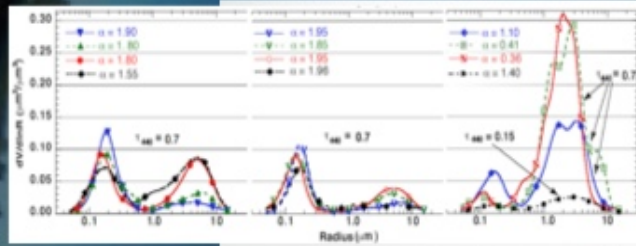
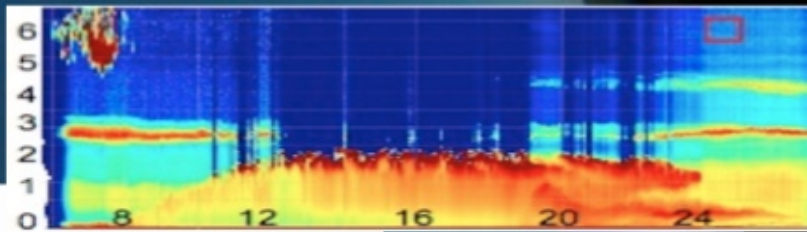
Since 2005-2006, routine Lidar observations (532 nm, elastic backscatter) at M' Bour (Dakar, LOA super-site)  
Preliminary analysis of 2006 (1 year)-2007 (1 year)-2008 (8 months) data by Léon et al).



3 more years available  
and under analysis ....

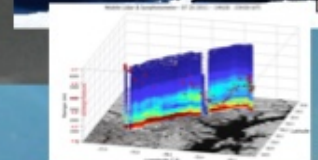
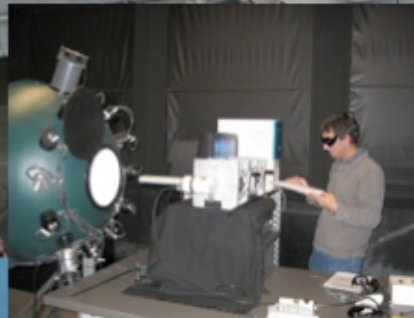
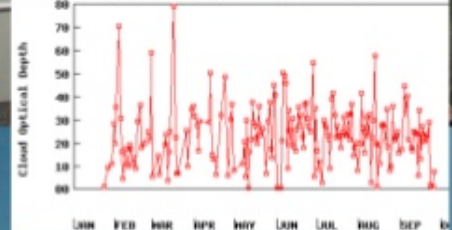
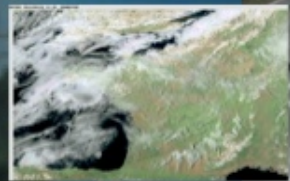
Figure 2 : monthly average vertical profiles of aerosol extinction at 532 nm for (red solid line) 2006, (blue solid line) 2007 and (green solid line) 2008.

# LOA Atmospheric Observatory



**PLASMA on the plane**

EyeDRI vertical ash layer  
16 of May 2010  
at an altitude of 2000 m



**Since 2006-2007**, LOA started Lidar routine observations at [Lille University campus](#) +.

Temporary experiment or campaign (Spring 2010)  
With additional transportable system  
like multi-wavelength lidar through cooperation



Transportable LIDAR system from  
NASB - Belarus (Chaïkovsky et al.,)

**Objectives** : continue and analyze variability at these two contrasted sites (Dakar, dust) and (Lille, urban). Data (2006->2012 : 7 years, Ph.D program for Augustin Mortier)

**Needs** : provide homogeneous processing and data quality assurance for all the existing archive and as automatized as possible data processing.

**Since 2008-2009**, LOA designed and continuously improves LOA/Lidar data base and processing / visualization tools combining sun-photometer data and lidar data :



## LOA/LIDAR network

**Data base** (<http://www-loa.univ-lille1.fr/Instruments/lidar/>) (C. Deroo, LOA):

AERONET & LIDAR (permanent & temporary, mobile)

“Calibration” database (memory of LIDAR systems evolution / maintenance (T. Podvin, LOA) )

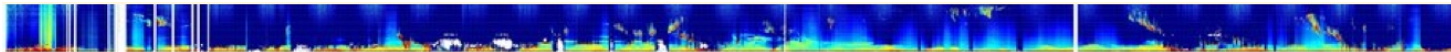
**Processing / visualization system combining sun-photometer (AOD) and lidar data (532 nm)** (C. Deroo, LOA)

- real time processing (simple approach hence not perfect, but automatic, data transfer by ftp)
- reprocessing tools (update software, introduce new modules, change thresholds, ...)
- public domain

# CIMEL (532 nm) - Lille / Dakar / Guadeloupe

Routine day time inversions of  $\sigma_{a,ext}(z)$  + average extinction to backscatter ratio

Existing database : Dakar : 5 years, Lille : 4 years; Guadeloupe (< 1 year)



<= Monthly overview



Apply change

Ideal Distance 8.0

Time min 20.85 max 20.85

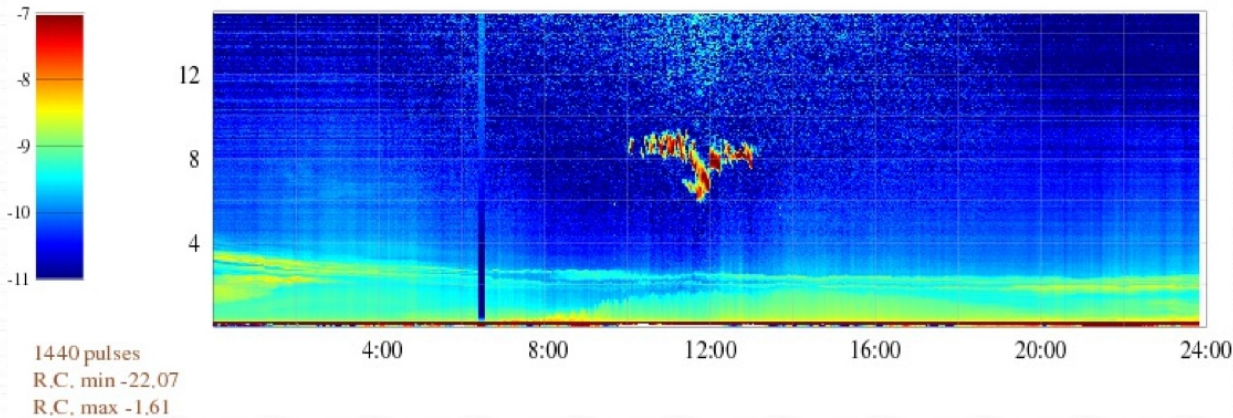
Altitude min 16.51 max 17.19

Auto Scale  min (blue) -11.00 max (red) -7.00

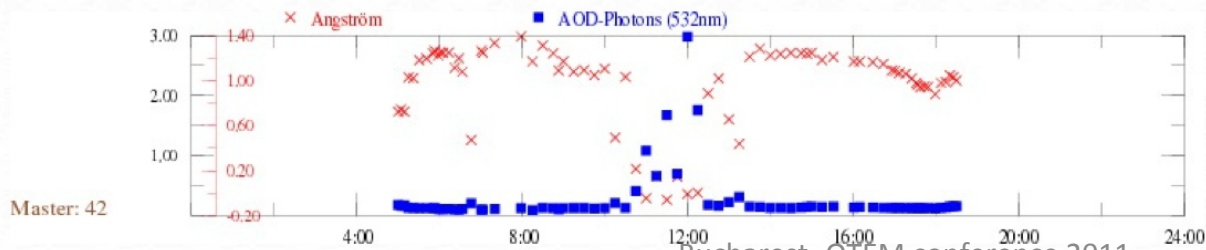
Technical data  Add curves: Photons  Aeronet

<= On line change of Quick-Look Aspect

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<= Lidar Dynamic Quick-Look



<= AOD & Angström (sun-photometer)

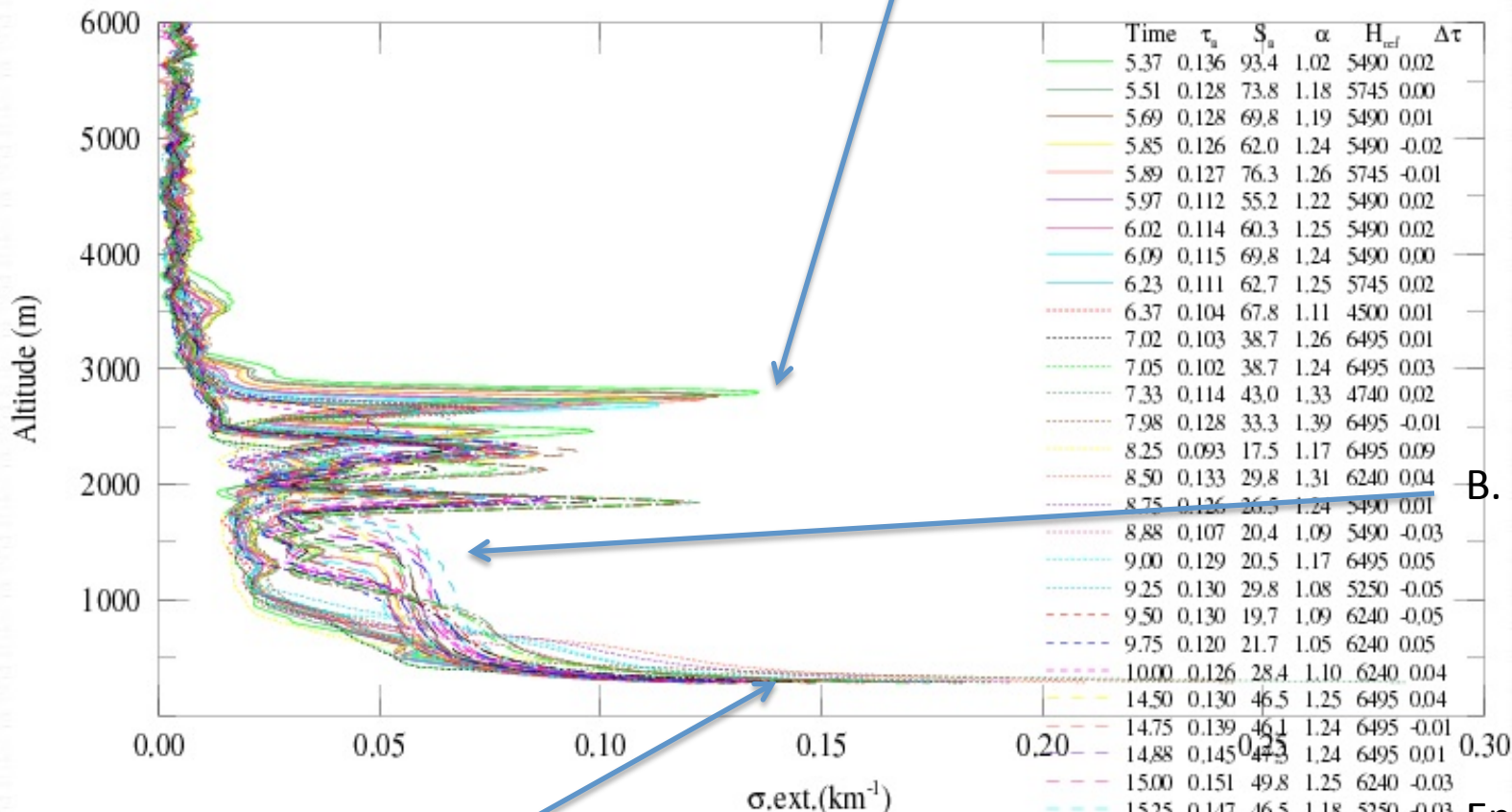
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<= Menu (Data, Inversion (tools),...)

# Dust, biomass burning, ash concentration

Cloud detection

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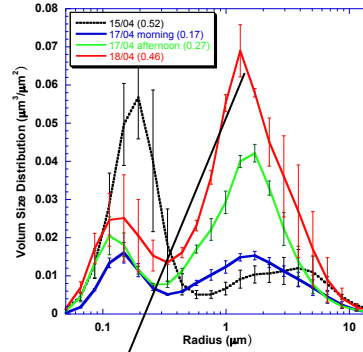
B. Layer Height

PM

Enhanced inversion

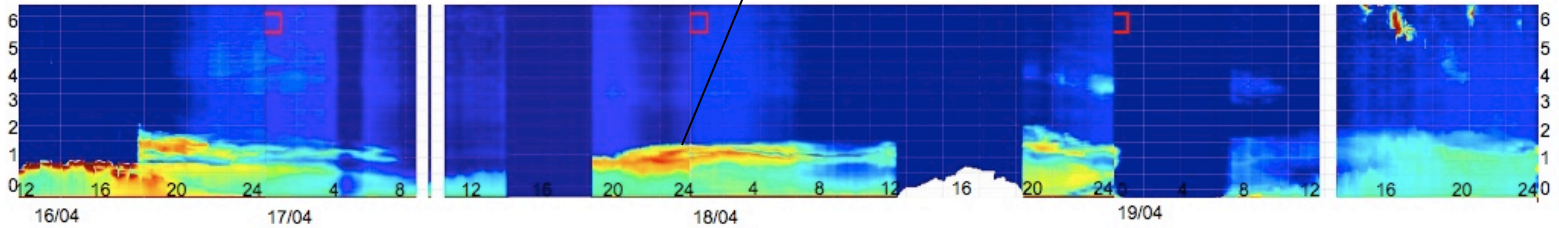
Warning Flags

# Volcanic Ash Plumes over Lille during Eyjafjöll

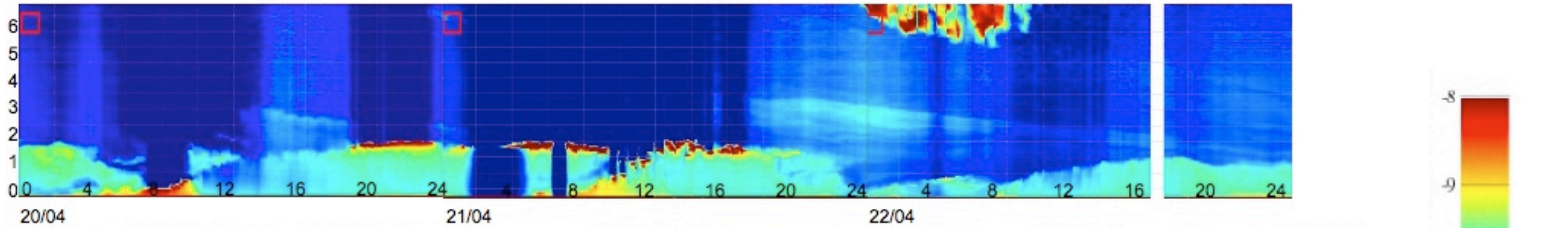


From routine LIDAR observation in Lille

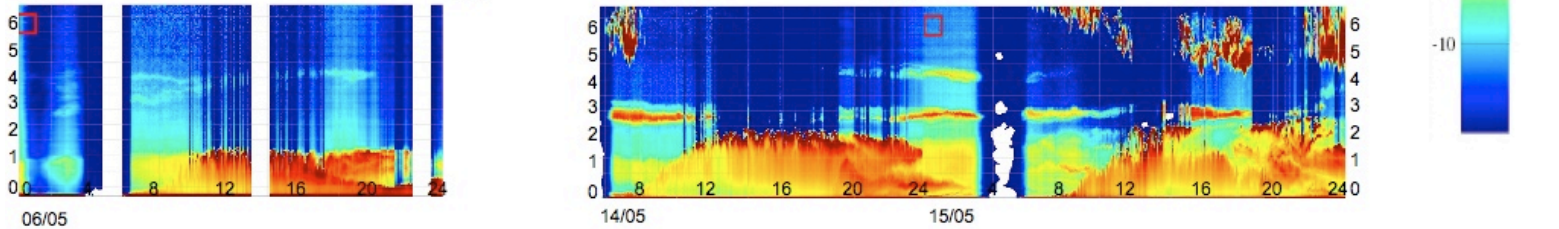
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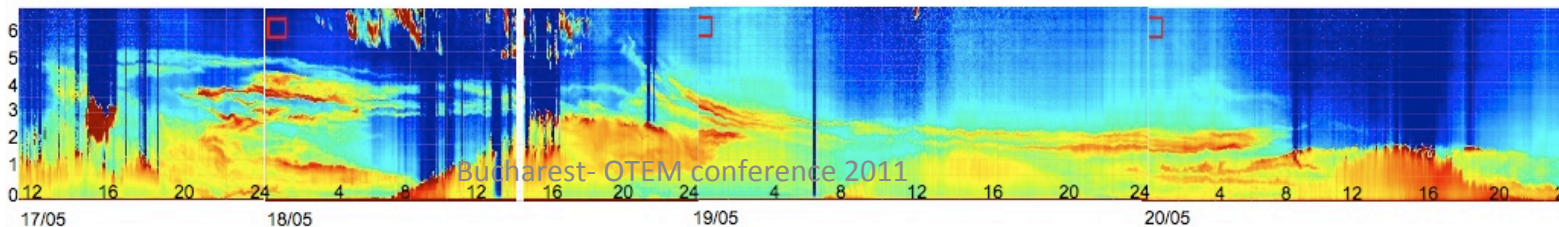
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May



May



Date	Time (UT)	Altitude (m)	$\sigma_{\text{ext}}(532\text{nm})$ ( $\text{km}^{-1}$ )	$\tau_{\text{ash}}/\tau$ (532nm)	$C_a$ ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	Min-Max ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
17/04	06h52	1410	[0,091-0,103]	0,028/0,18	115	60-170
	11h57	1665	[0,007-0,008]	0,007/0,13	10	5-15
	18h58	1350	[0,236-0,272]	0,10/0,25	300	150-450
18/04	06h46	1495	[0,29-0,33]	0,16/0,36	360	180-540
	20h46	1640	[0,20-0,23]	0,08/0,30	260	130-390
06/05	18h21	4200	[0,020-0,023]	0,006/0,34	25	10-40
14/05	09h55	2760	[0,20-0,22]	0,07/0,20	240	120-360
15/05	06h45	2890	[0,17-0,20]	0,07/0,40	220	110-330
18/05	11h25	3260	[0,13-0,14]	0,08/0,23	160	80-240
	18h05	2775	[0,14-0,15]	0,13/0,29	170	85-255
19/05	07h25	2655	[0,074-0,082]	0,04/0,11	90	45-135
	12h05	2455	[0,065-0,07]	0,04/0,13	75	40-110
	18h05	2295	[0,058-0,063]	0,03/0,14	70	35-105
	20h05	1890	[0,08-0,09]	0,06/0,14	100	50-150
20/05	05h05	1960	[0,15-0,16]	0,08/0,16	180	90-270

Table 1: Summary of the main characteristics of volcanic ash layer detected over Lille.

**Current Status of Data processing** : automatic mode (AOD + Lidar Irradiance (z))  
(dynamic, reprocessing tools,...)

**Future Developments :**

- add on-line tools for user to apply inversion (change inversion parameters ..., manual mode for adapting to specific events or complex situation (volcano).
- Introduction of advanced inversion code (*Lopatin et al.,* ) under development in LOA
- Inclusion of mobile lidar/sun-photometer platform

# Mobile Sun-tracking Photometer : PLASMA

*(prototype version developed in LOA by C. Verwaerde, JY. Balois and D. Tanre)*

*People involved in the project : Y. Karol (Thesis), SO PHOTONS/AERONET)*

## Introduction



**PLASMA** (*Photomètre Léger* <sup>*Automobile*</sup> *Aéroporté pour la Surveillance des Masses d'Air*) is a sun tracking photometer based on board of an aircraft which measure AOD during flight and therefore **provide spectral AOD** (0.34 – 2.25  $\mu\text{m}$ ) **as a function of the altitude.**

One of the main PLASMA's objectives is **validation of AOD vertical profiles provided by lidar.**

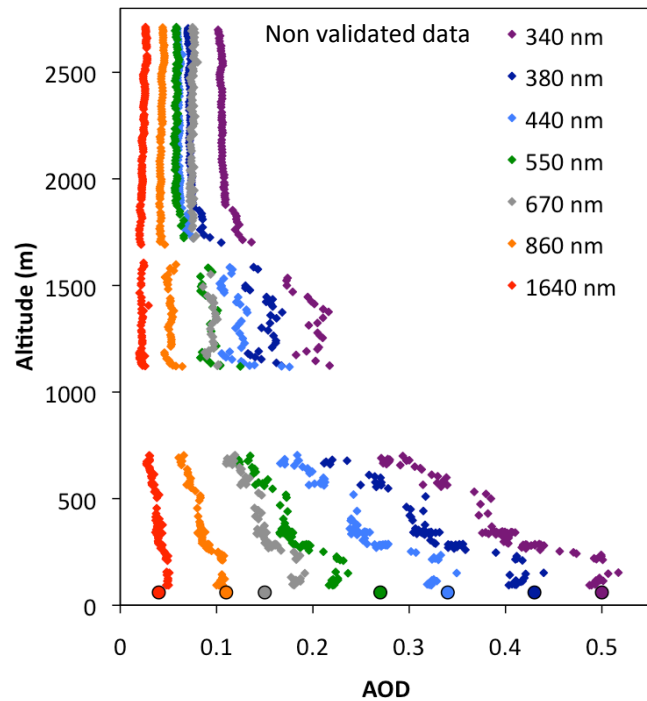
# PLASMA on the plane

**Eyjafjöll volcanic ash layers**  
19 of May 2010  
at an altitude of 2500 m



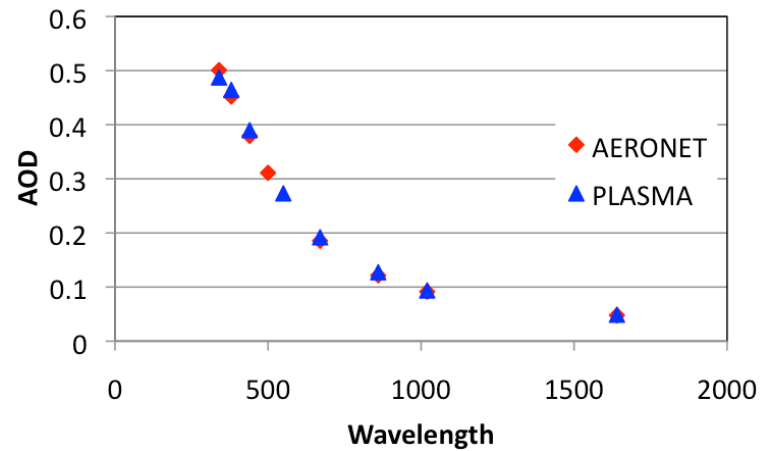


# What measures PLASMA ?



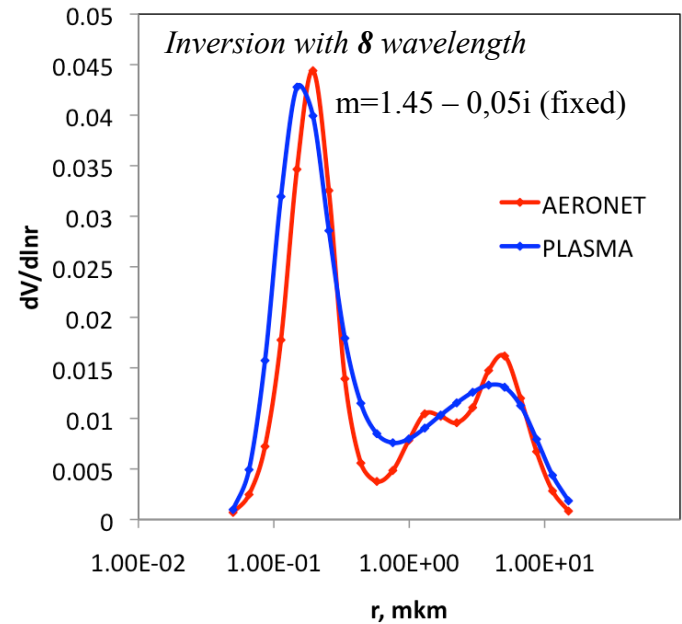
$n(r,z)$ , fine, coarse mode (z)

Combination with lidar for constraining inversion ...



$$\sigma_{ext}^a(z) = \frac{d\tau_{ext}^a}{dz}$$

$$\sigma_{ext}^a(z) = \int \pi r^2 Q_{ext}(m, r/\lambda) n(r, z) dr$$



## - DRAGON FIELD CAMPAIGN -

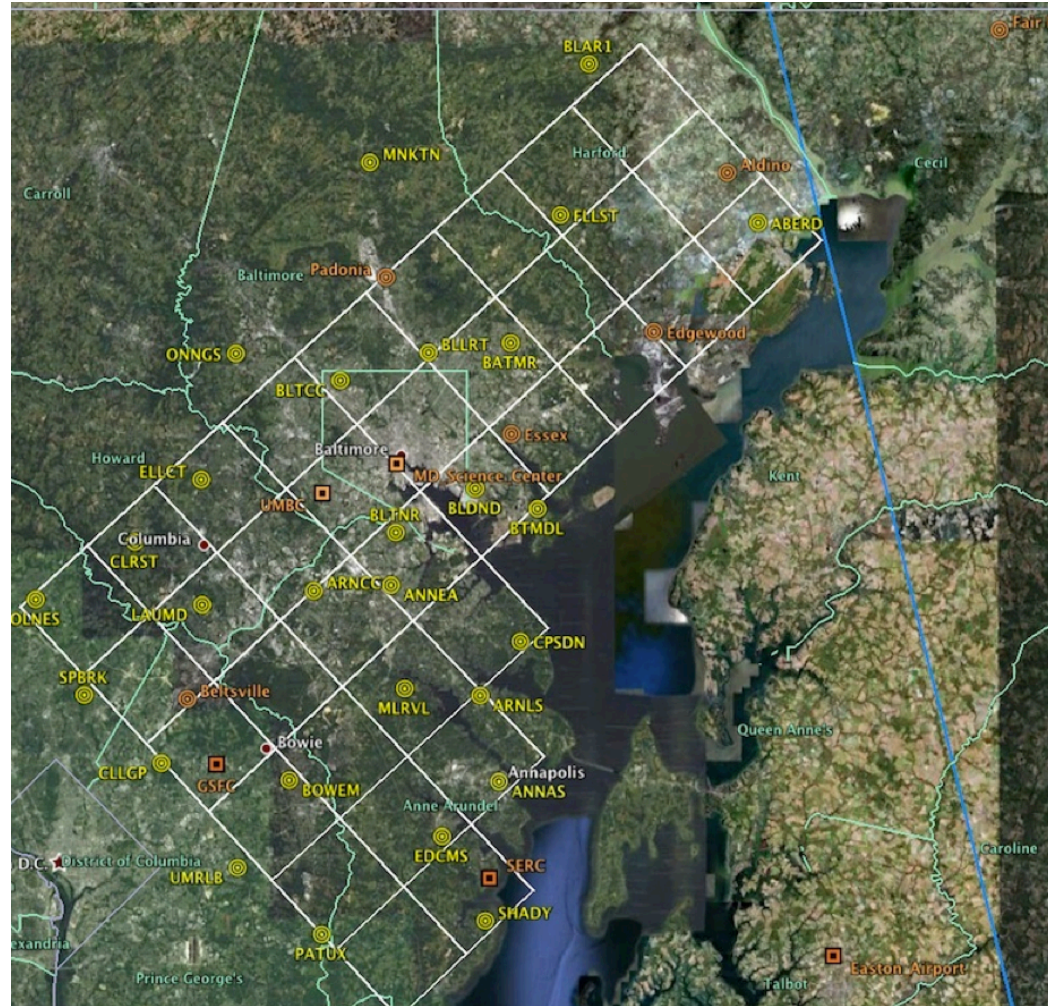
### Distributed Regional Aerosol Gridded Observation Networks (DRAGON)-USA 2011

Establish a mesoscale gridded network of sun photometers that encompasses, urban, agricultural and mountain landscapes over the Washington DC metro area

Involve ground-based instrumentation + airborne

Analysis spatial variability of aerosol properties

AOD 550 from 0.03 to 0.75



Then we put together PLASMA and CIMEL micro-Lidar during DRAGON experiment

⇒ Recent developments include Mobile Platform in the system (first field campaign during DRAGON, USA, July 2011)



The « US » version during DRAGON

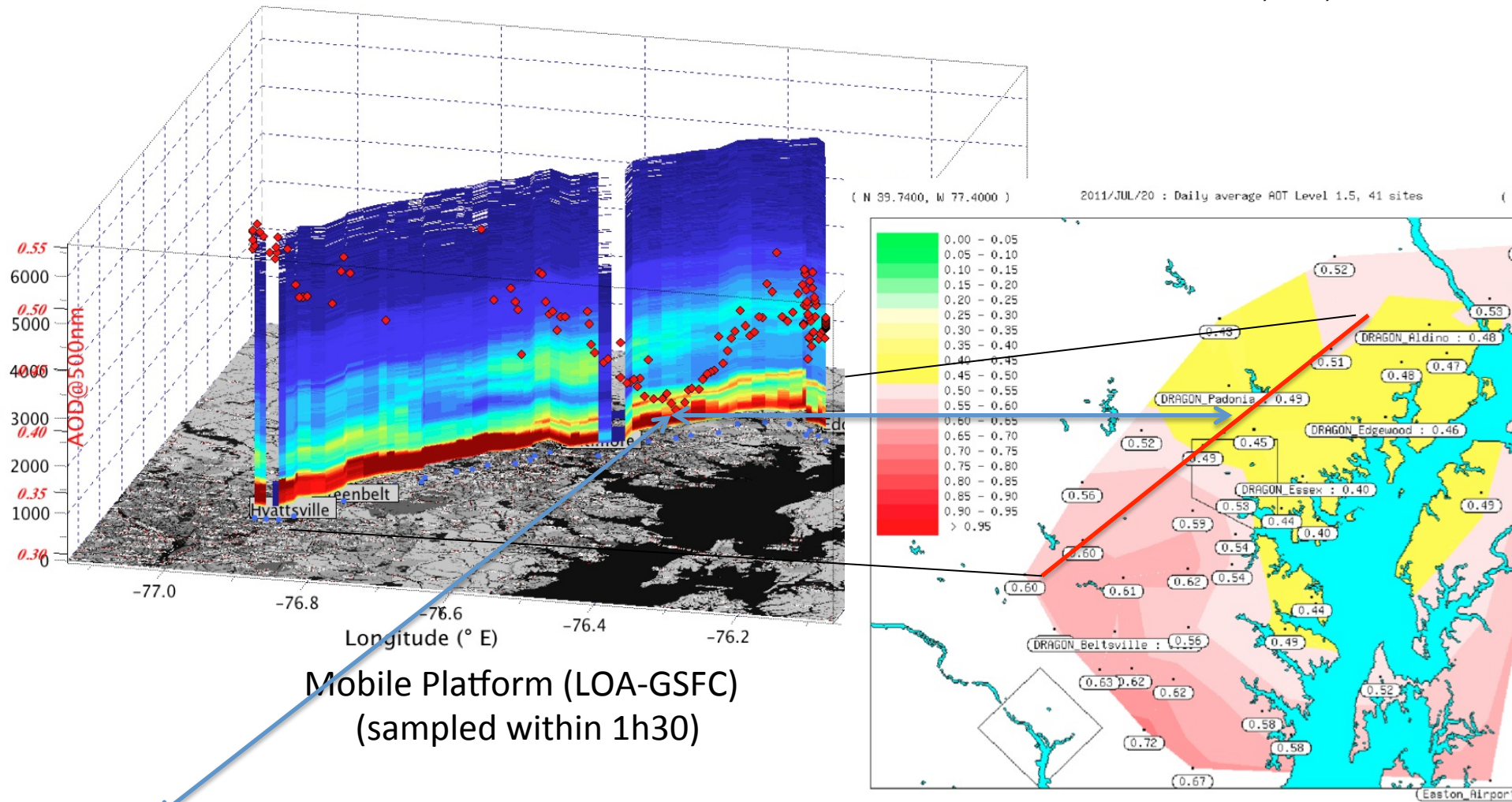


LOA/Lidar data base includes DRAGON :  
15 days of experiment (AOD 550 from 0.03 to 0.75)  
78 hours of measurements  
4300 km !

# Mobile Platform (micro-Lidar and sun-photometer) => structure of pollution plume

Mobile Lidar & Sunphotometer- 07 20 2011 - 14h28 : 15h58 (UT)

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Mobile Platform (LOA-GSFC)  
(sampled within 1h30)

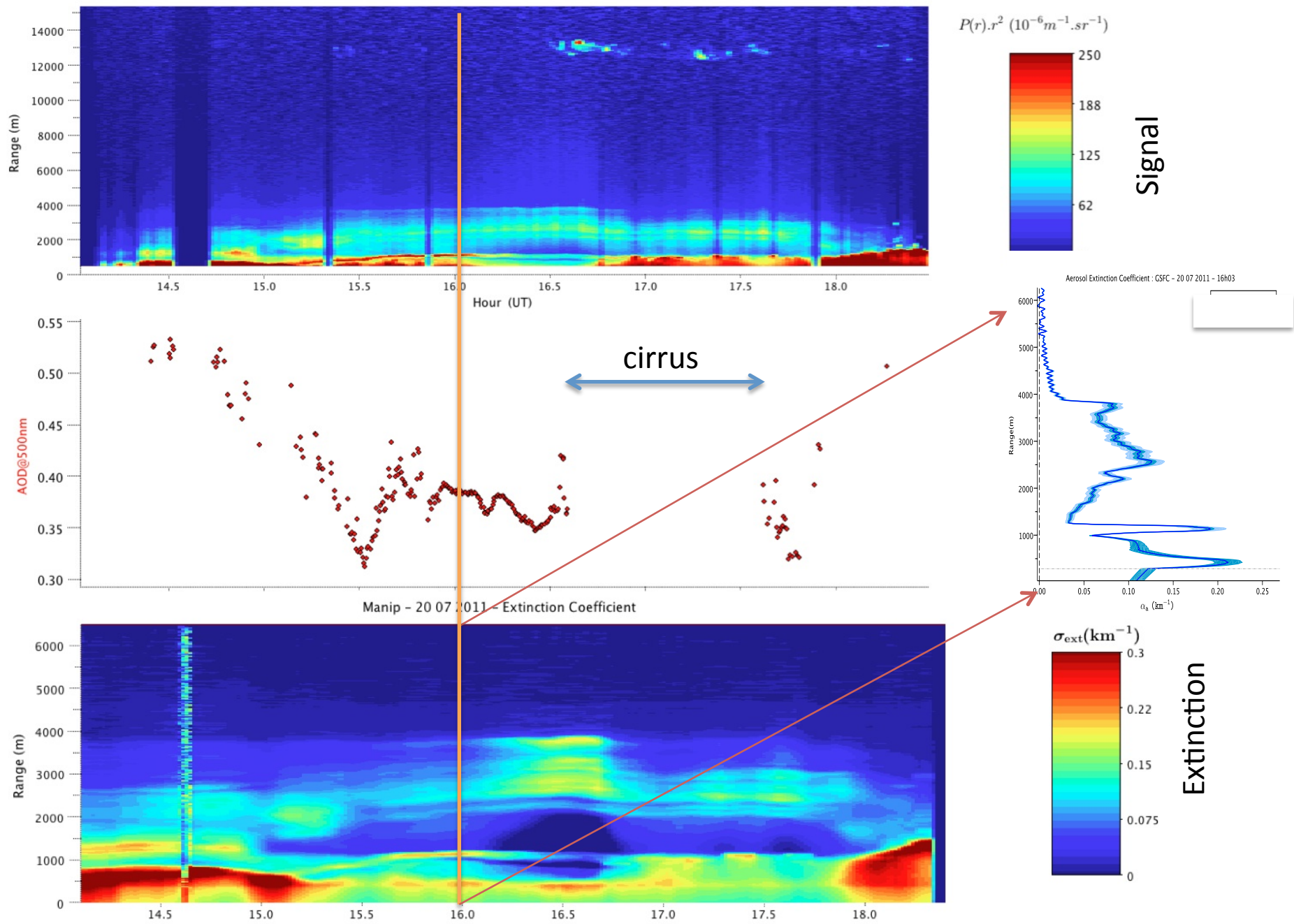
- ⇒ Minimum AOD detected by PLASMA consistent with AERONET derived Map.
- ⇒ Angström exponent + water vapour

DRAGON Stations (GSFC-daily average)

# Lidar backscattered signal combined with PLASMA AOD

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- Participation to future Field Campaigns in Mediterranean region (Charmex, Chemistry-Aerosol Mediterranean Experiment) on airplane
- Regional use of mobile platform (North of France, next DRAGON in Japan/Korea)
- Implementation of enhanced inversion in our processing system (Lopatin et al., 2011)
- Variability analysis for Lille and Dakar ...
- Contribution to ORAURE (national observing system)



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# Thank you !

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