



# water quality monitoring: the role of HyspIRI

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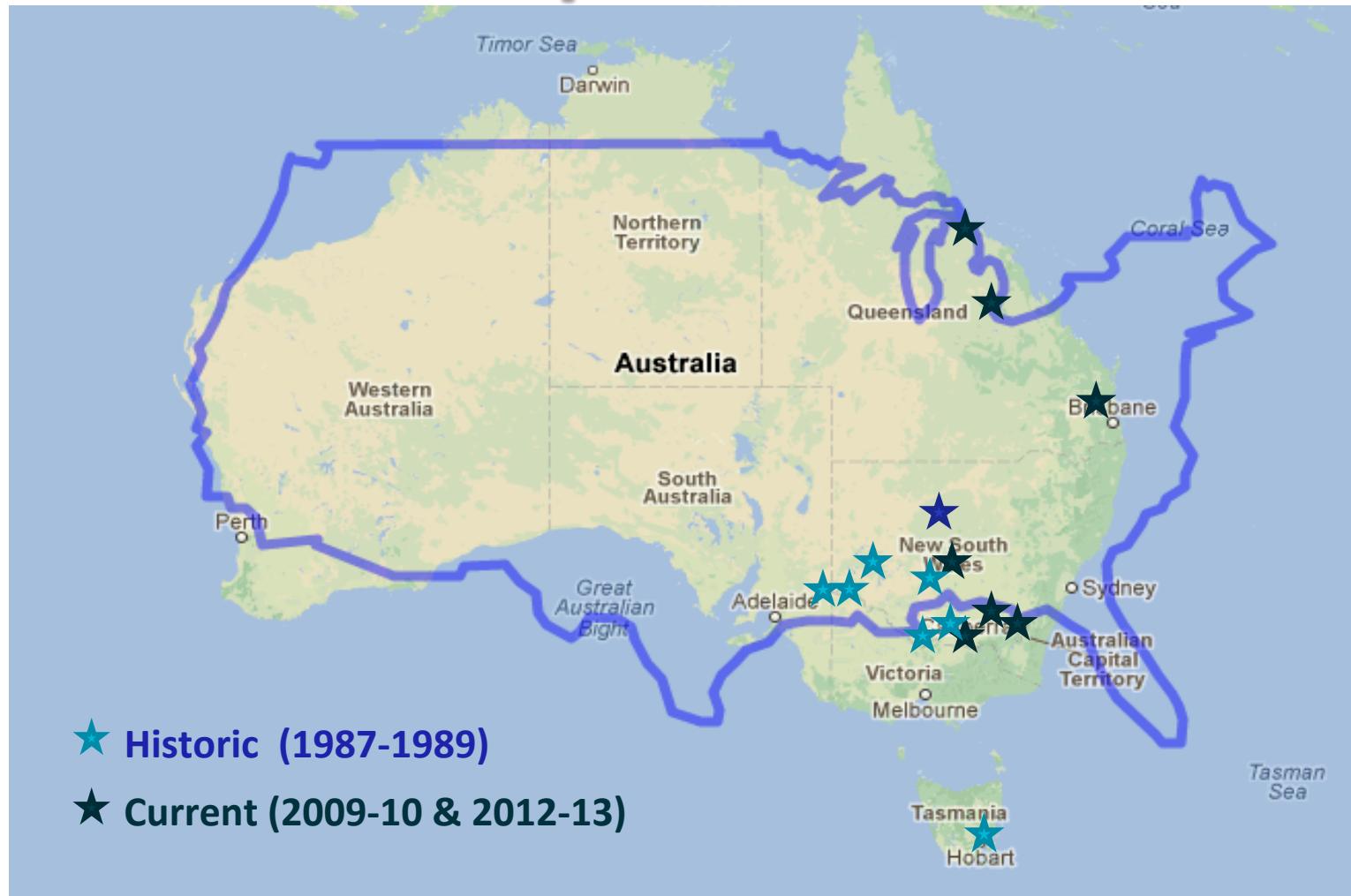
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# *In situ* bio-optical observations



# Drivers for our EO of water quality research

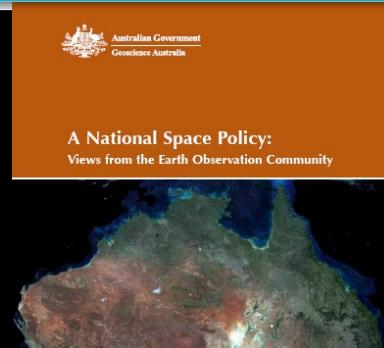
- Legislation:
  - National Plan for Environmental Information
  - State of Environment
- Algorithms
- New Technologies
- Ecosystem science
  - Climate change and variability
  - Drivers of water quality
  - Resilience
  - Prediction

2013

The Senate

Standing Committee on Economics

Lost in Space? Setting a new direction for Australia's space science and industry sector



2020

The economic value of earth observation from space

A review of the value to Australia of Earth observation from space



Continuity of Earth Observation Data for Australia:  
Research and Development Dependencies to 2020

January 2012



Australian Government

**“..certainty and strategic direction  
for satellite technology users”**

National Space Policy

**“..better domestic co-ordination  
and focused international  
engagement”**

**“...giving priority to Earth  
observations from space..”**



Australian Government

National Earth Observations  
from Space Infrastructure Plan

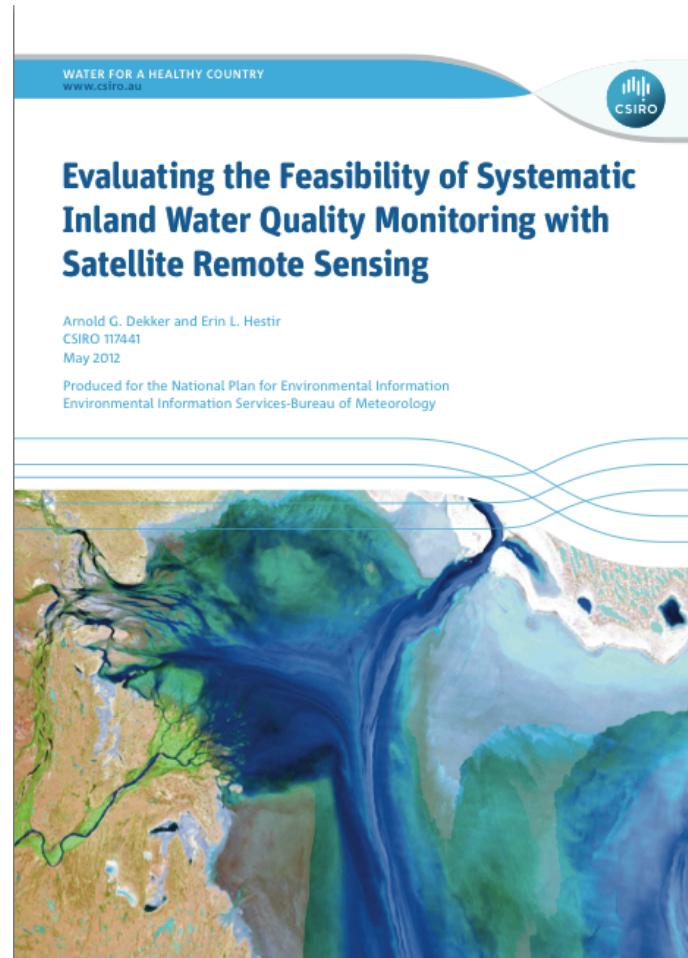
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# Australian Context for Water Quality

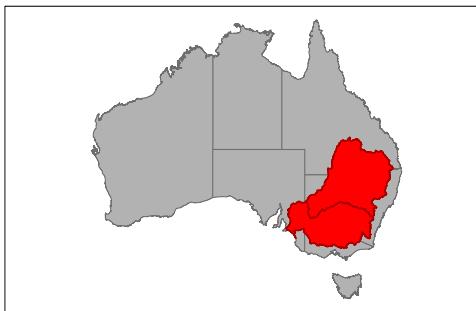
- **The Challenge: Ongoing monitoring of Australia's inland water quality**
- Australia's water quality is poor and is negatively trending
- But water quality data are scarce, potentially declining and with poor temporal coverage
- We need rapid, cost-effective assessments of water quality to assess baseline conditions and study responses to existing and potential environmental stressors
- Such assessments are needed across a range of scales
- Includes from continuous in situ measurements to satellite remote sensing, the latter overcoming some of the costs of remote sampling

# The potential solution

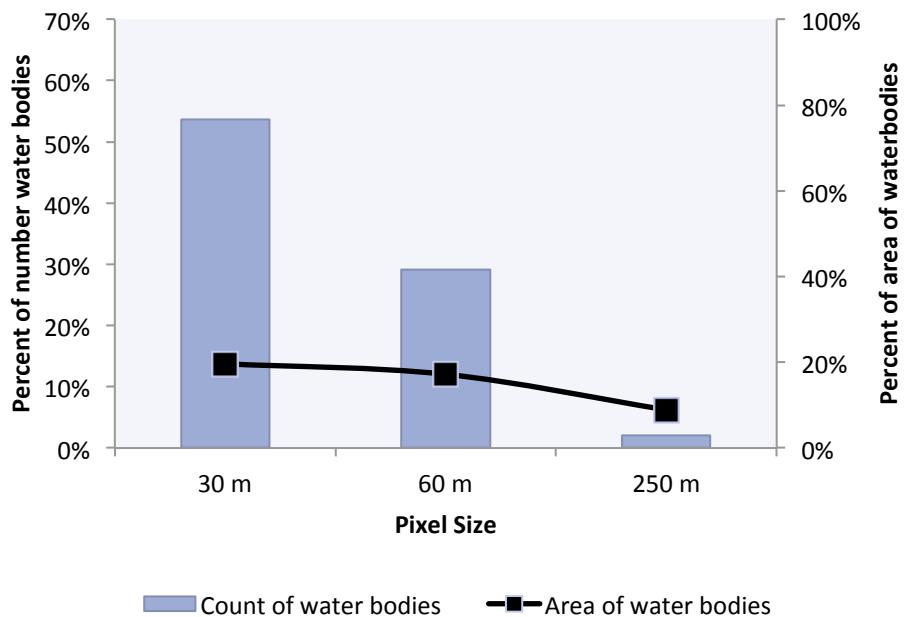
- <http://www.clw.csiro.au/publications/waterforahealthycountry/#reports>
- **Satellite remote sensing**
  - Provides an objective, high frequency and spatially continuous measurement tool to overcome these challenges
  - But for a limited set of water quality parameters
  - Using inversion approaches
  - Will need calibration and validation over low reflecting targets



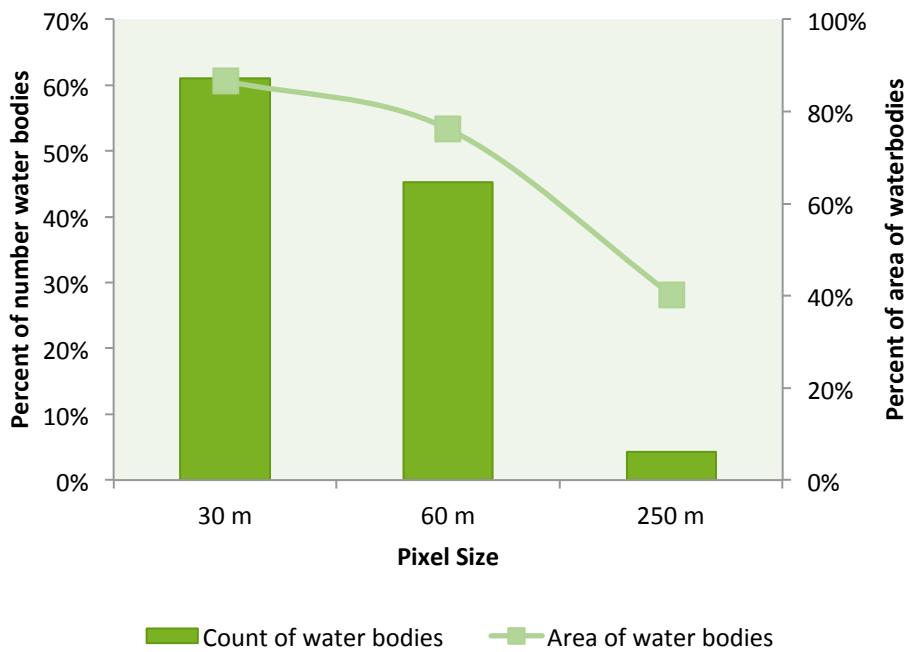
# EO-resolvable water bodies in Australia



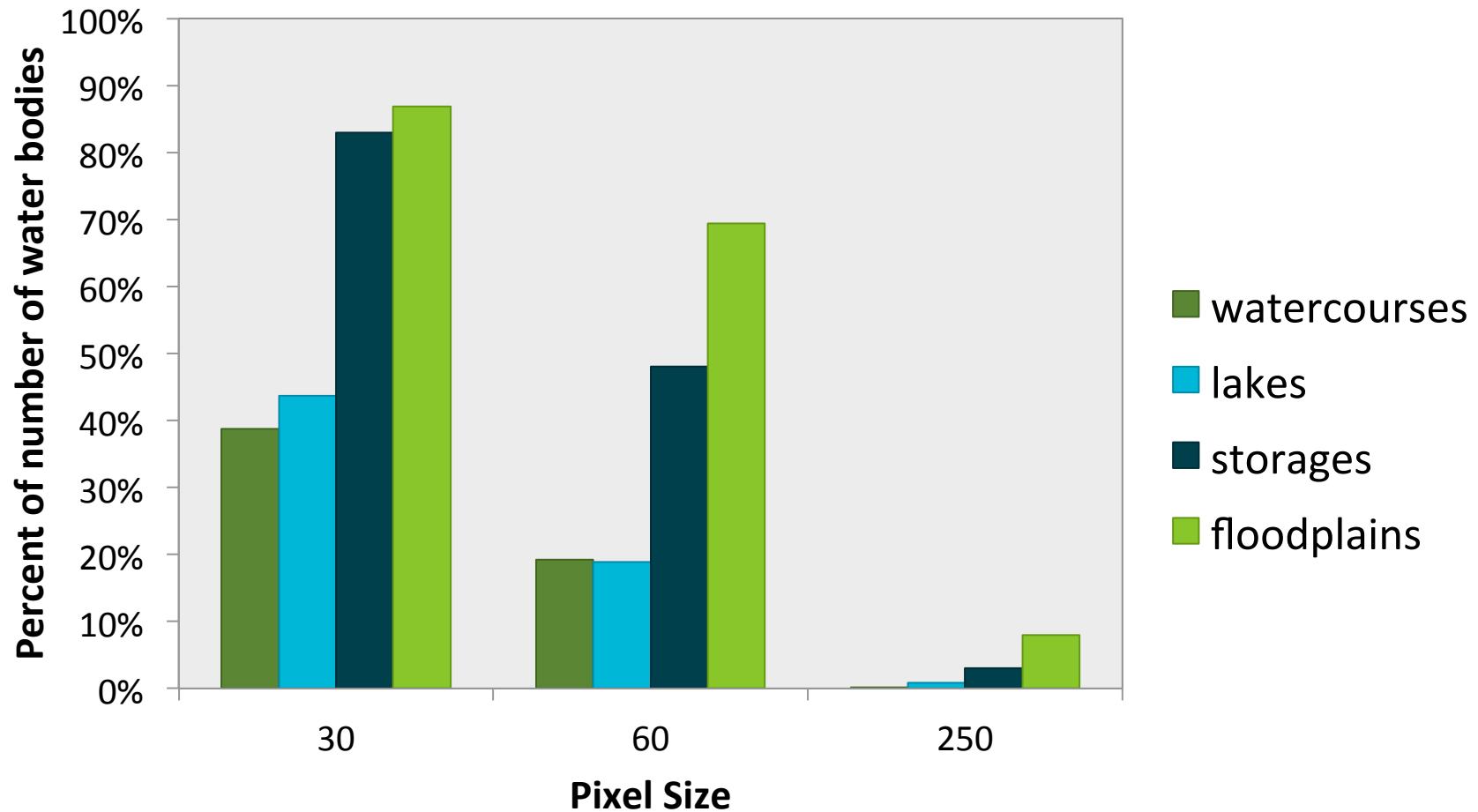
Continental Australia



Murray Darling Basin



# EO-resolvable water bodies in Australia



# Relative capability for wq retrieval using free satellite data

	Pixel Size (m)	Bands (400-900 nm)	Revisit cycle	CHL	CYP	TSM	CDOM	SD	K <sub>d</sub>
<i>Low res.</i>									
MODIS	1000	9	Daily	●	●	●	●	●	●
MODIS	500	2	Daily	●	●	●	●	●	●
MODIS	250	2	Daily	●	●	●	●	●	●
MERIS	300	15	2-3 days	●	●	●	●	●	●
VIIRS	750	7	2x/day	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Med res.</i>									
Landsat	30	4	16	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Future</i>									
Sentinel-3	300	21	Daily	●	●	●	●	●	●
LDCM	30	5	16	●	●	●	●	●	●
Sentinel-2	10-60	10	3-5 days	●	●	●	●	●	●
HySpIRI	60	60	19 days	●	●	●	●	●	●

- Highly suited, ● Suited, ● Potential, ● Not suited

- Adapted from: Dekker and Hestir (2012). *Evaluating the Feasibility of Systematic Inland Water Quality Monitoring with Satellite Remote Sensing*, CSIRO

# Water quality variables from remote sensing e.g. WV-2



Chlorophyll

Colored dissolved organic matter

Cyano-pigments

Total suspended matter

Water column optically active components

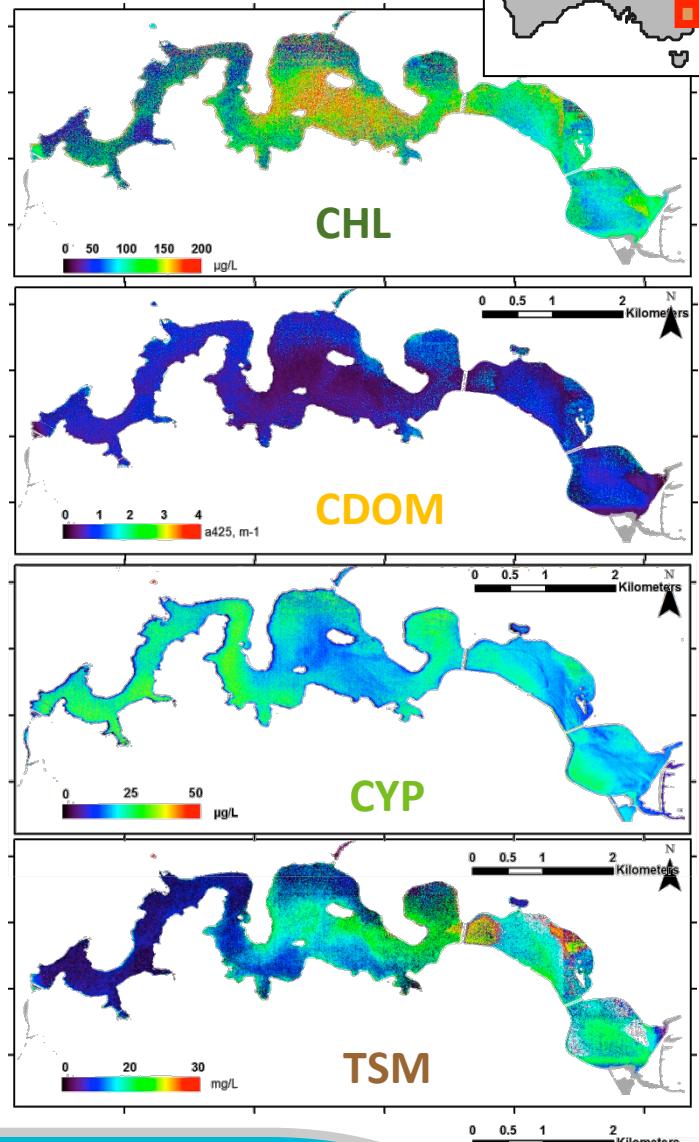
Vertical attenuation of light

Secchi depth

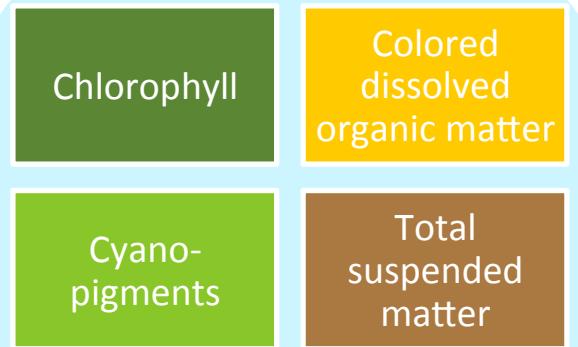
Estimated from water column properties

Bathymetry

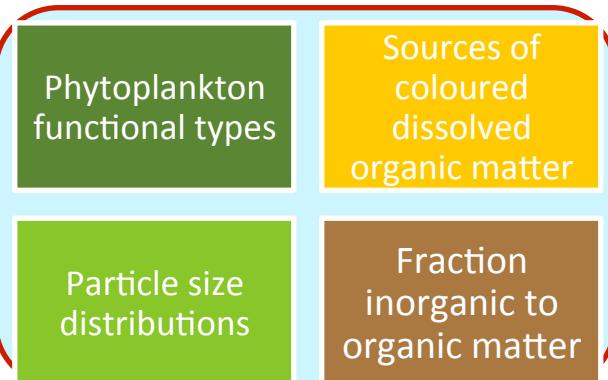
Vegetation



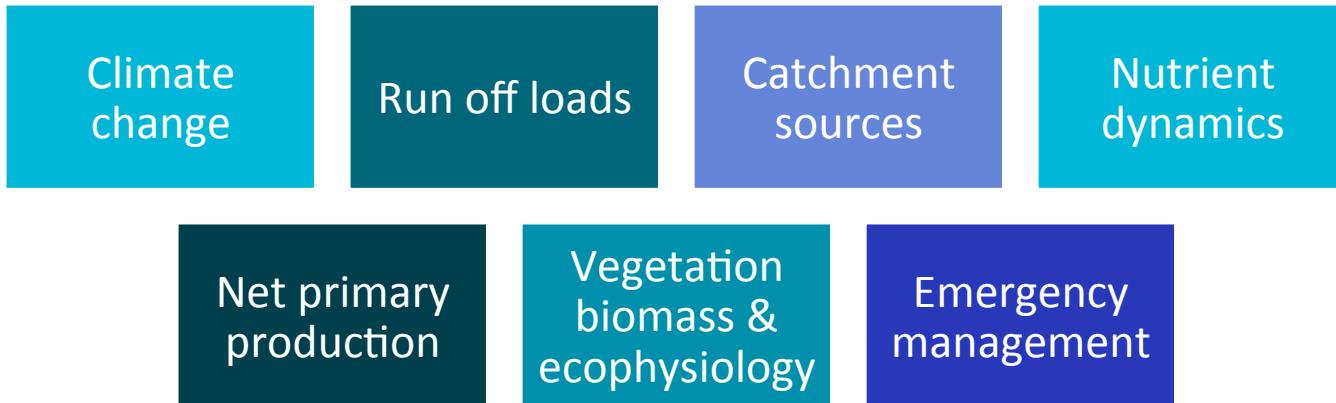
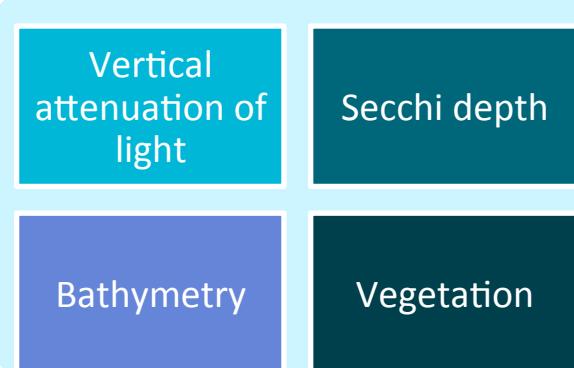
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# Future



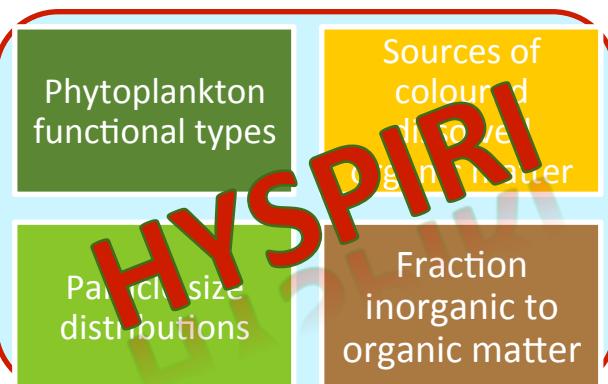
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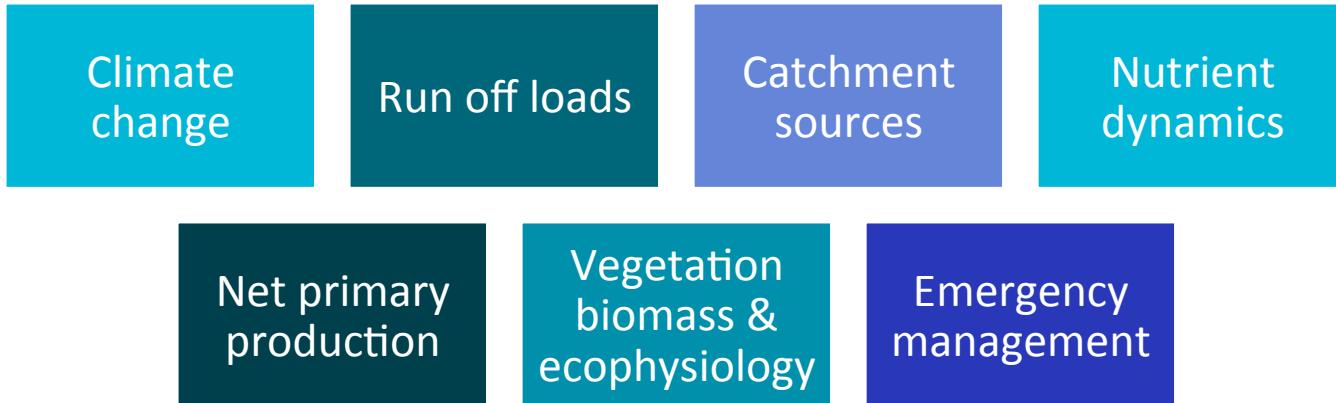
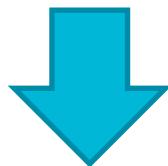
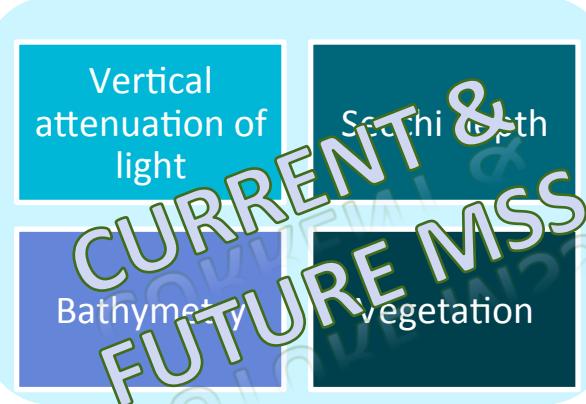
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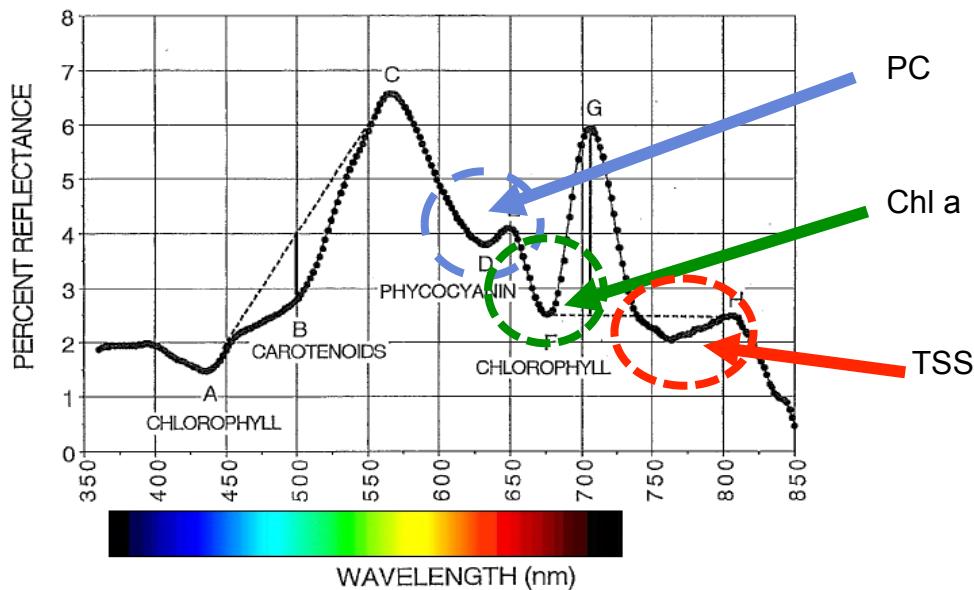
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# Pigment signals in spectral reflectance

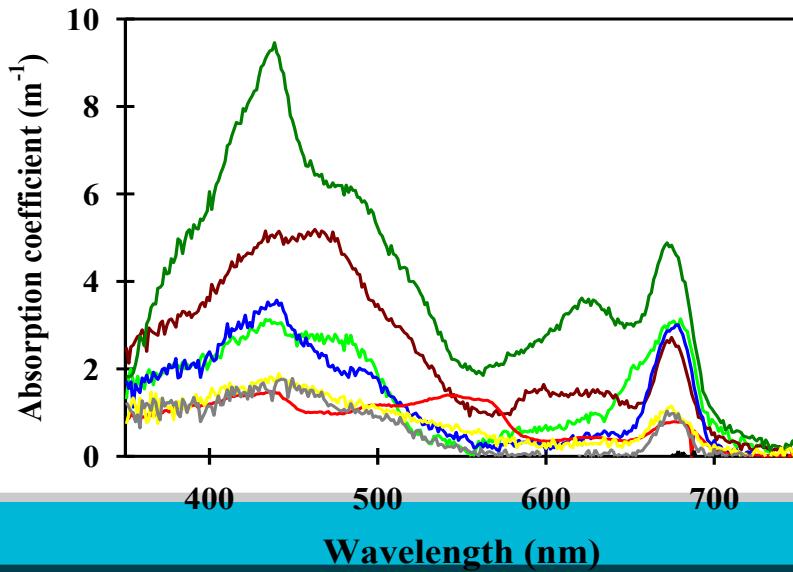
## Spectral resolution:

- Detect significant spectral features
- Discriminate different wq parameter signals





**Phytoplankton absorption**



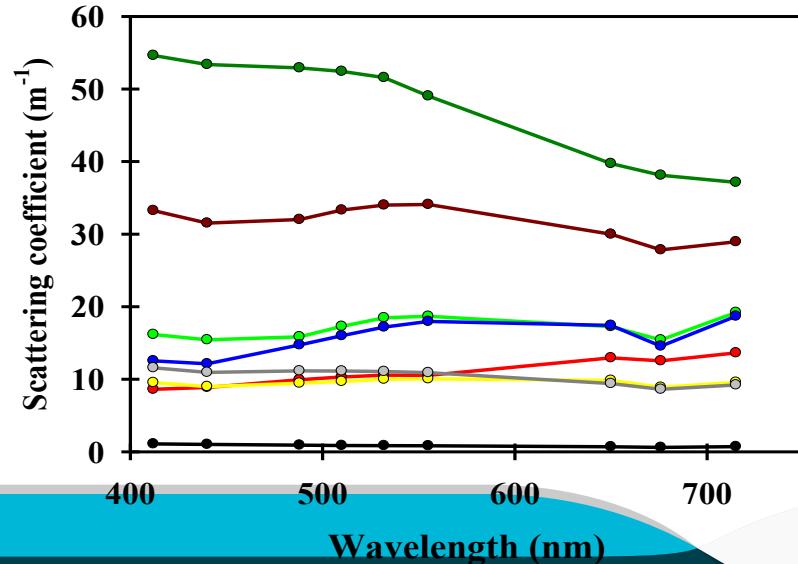
CSIRO Overview Estuarine and Coastal Remote Sensing in Australia

# Colouring Material:Pigments in phytoplankton cultures: their light absorption and scattering

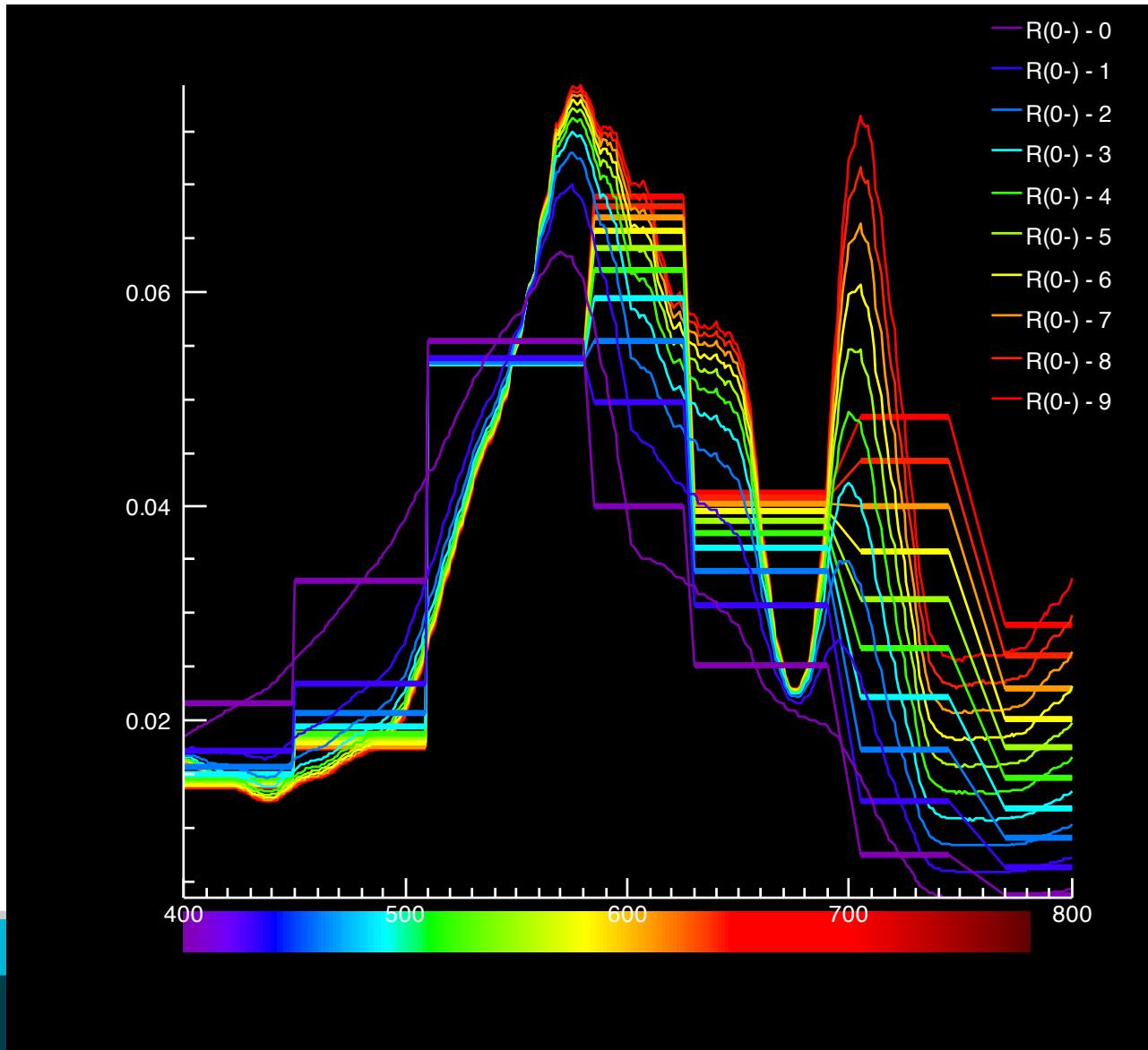
**From left to right on the photo:**

- Dunaliella tertiolecta
- Emiliania huxleyi
- Pavlova lutheri
- Porphyridium cruentum
- Synechococcus sp.
- Gymnodinium catenatum
- Thalassiosira pseudonana
- Chaetoceros socialis

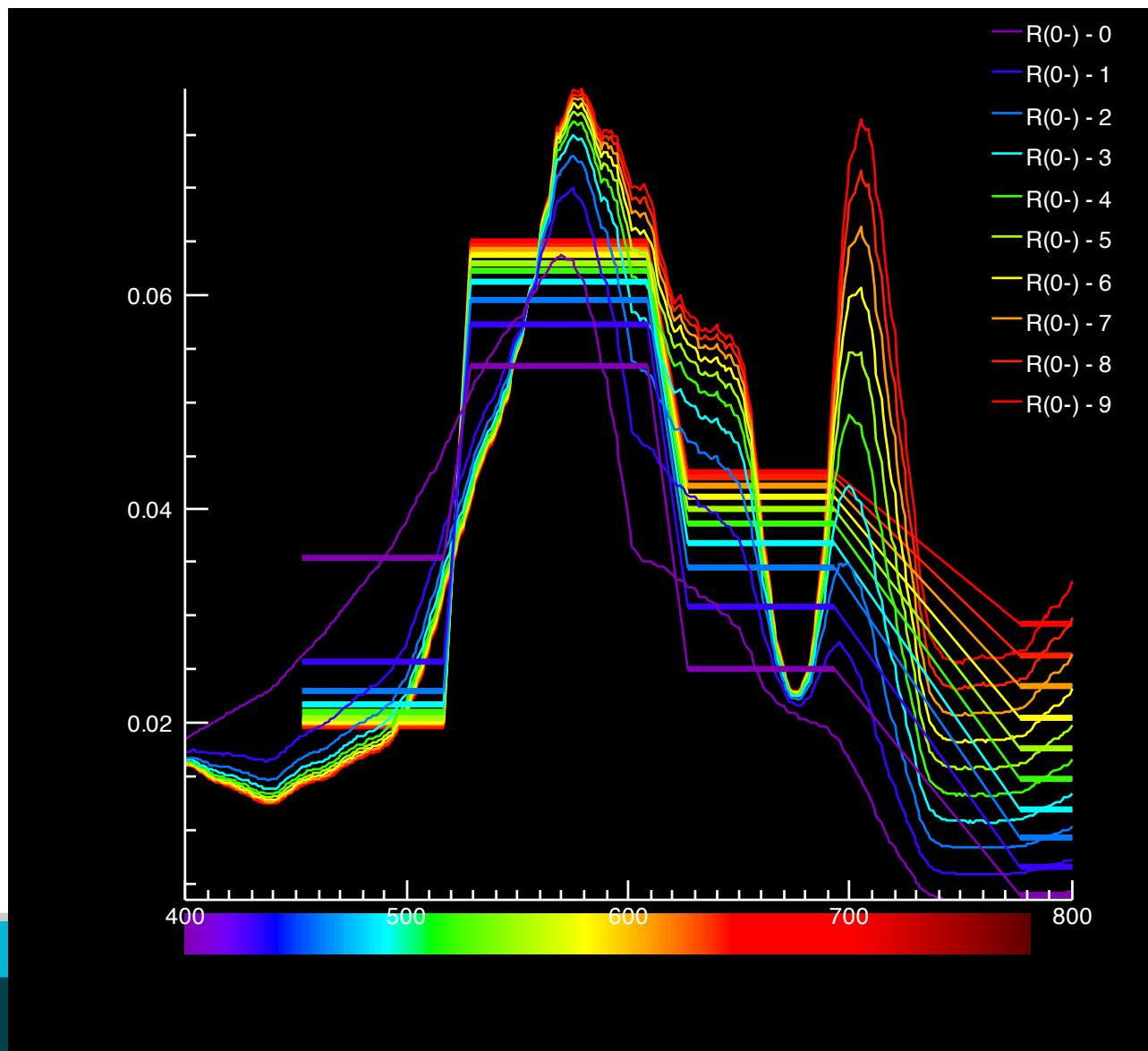
**Phytoplankton scattering**



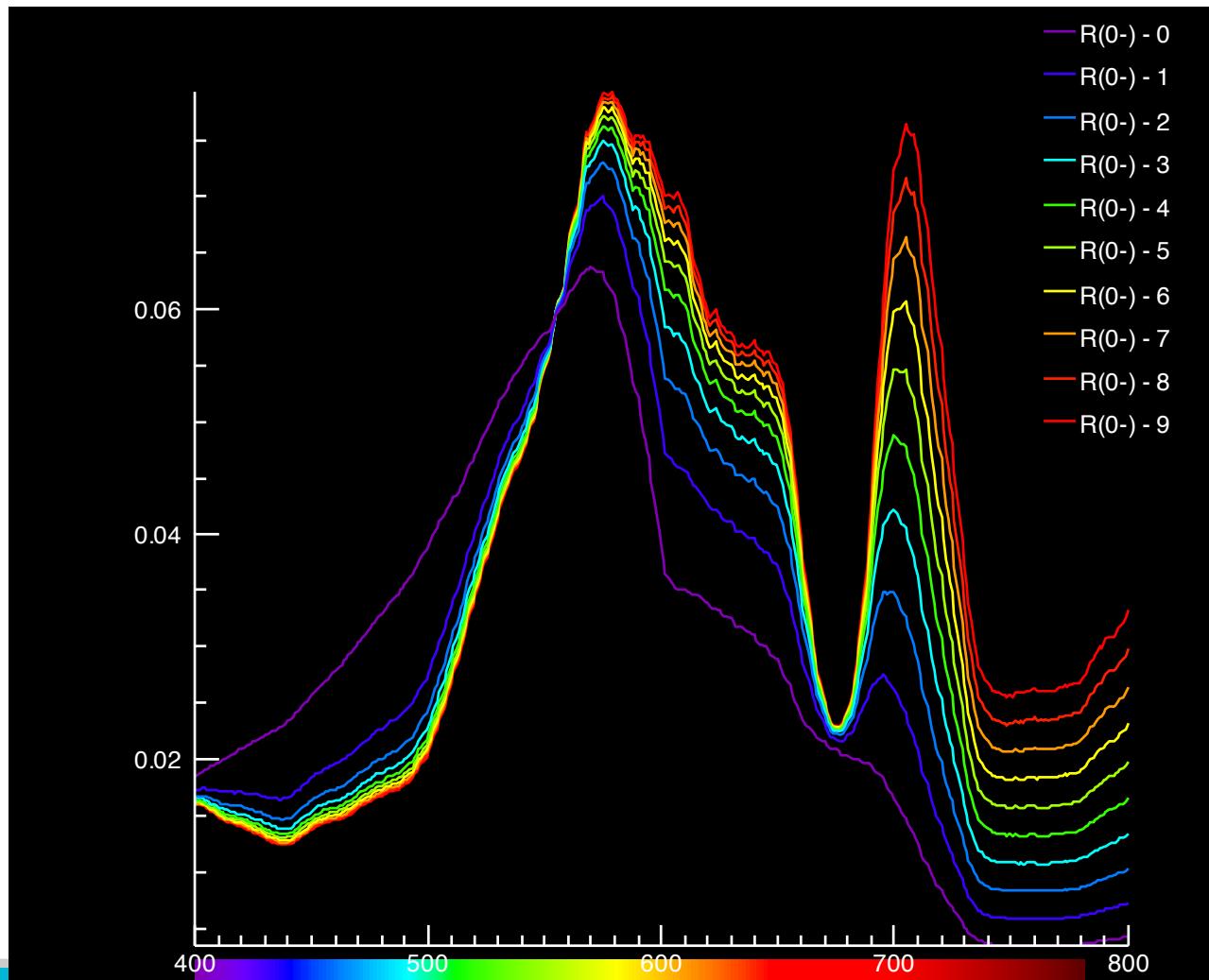
# Algal bloom as seen by WorldView-2 2m



# Algal bloom as seen by Landsat 30 m



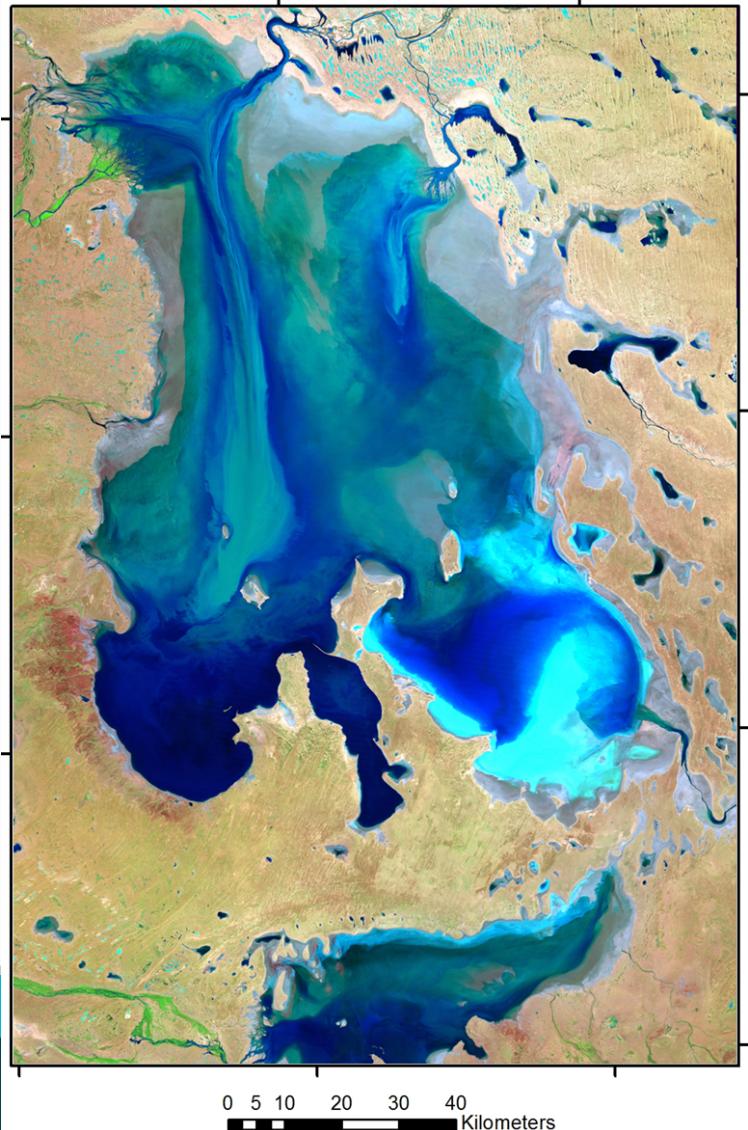
# Algal bloom reflectance simulation ~ HyspIRI 60m



Needs bio-optical parameterisation of algorithm to estimate water quality or hyperspectral from space

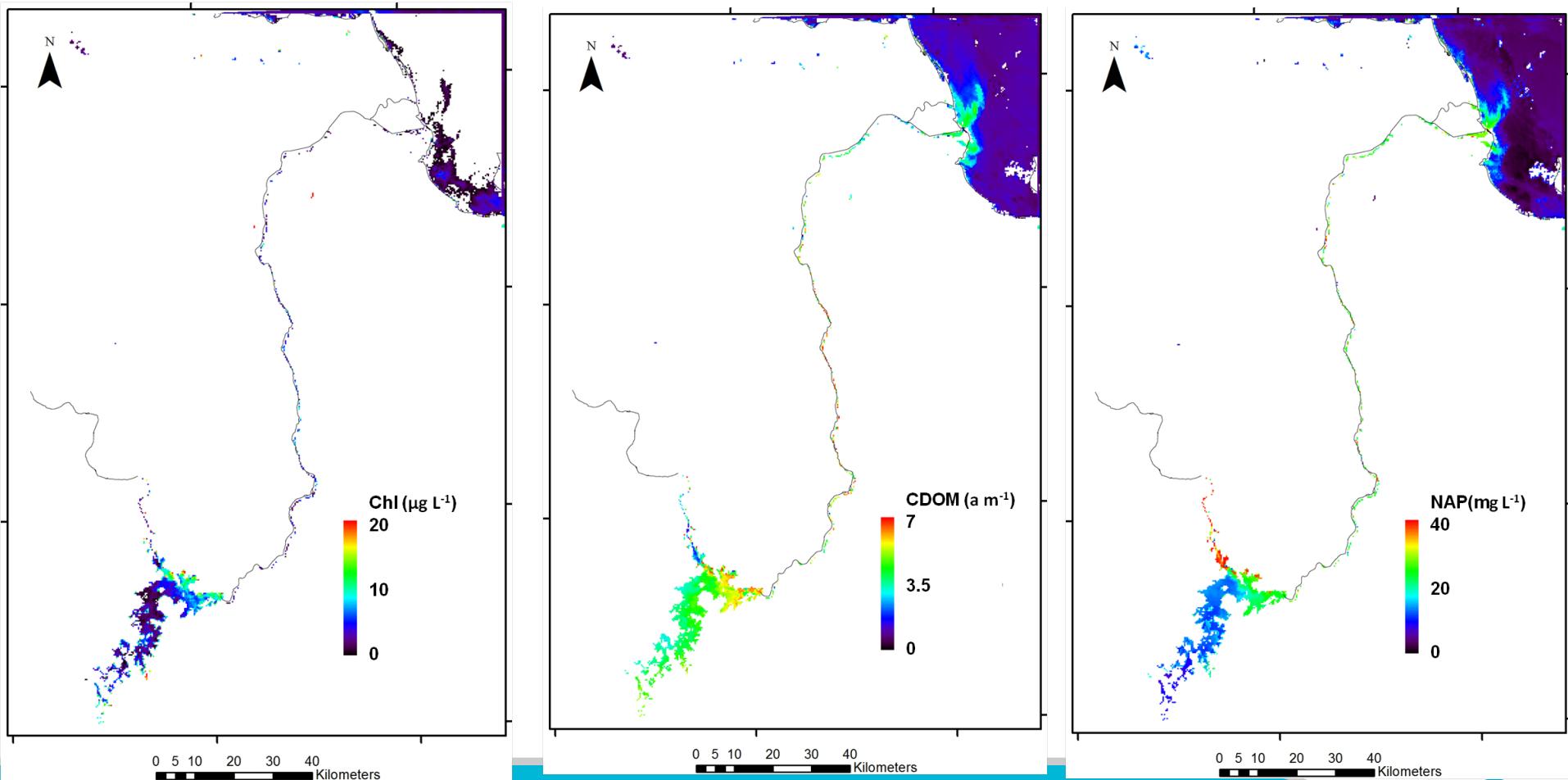
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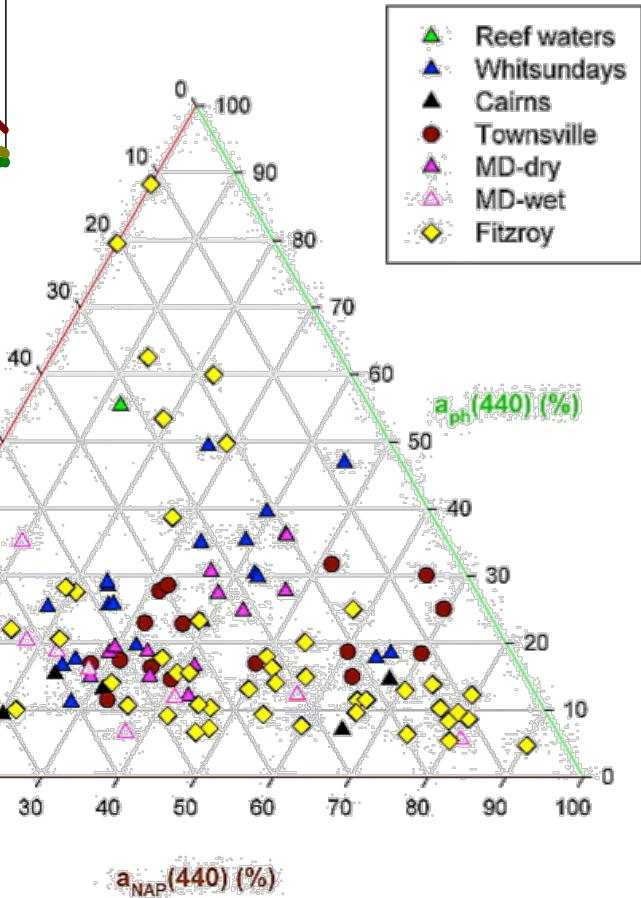
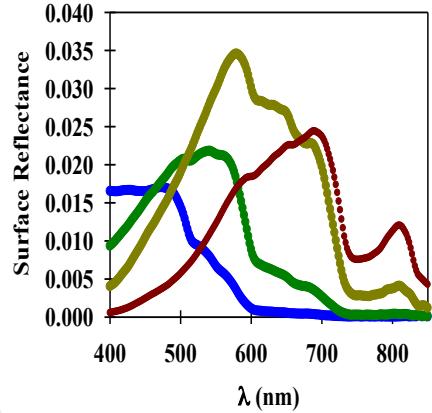
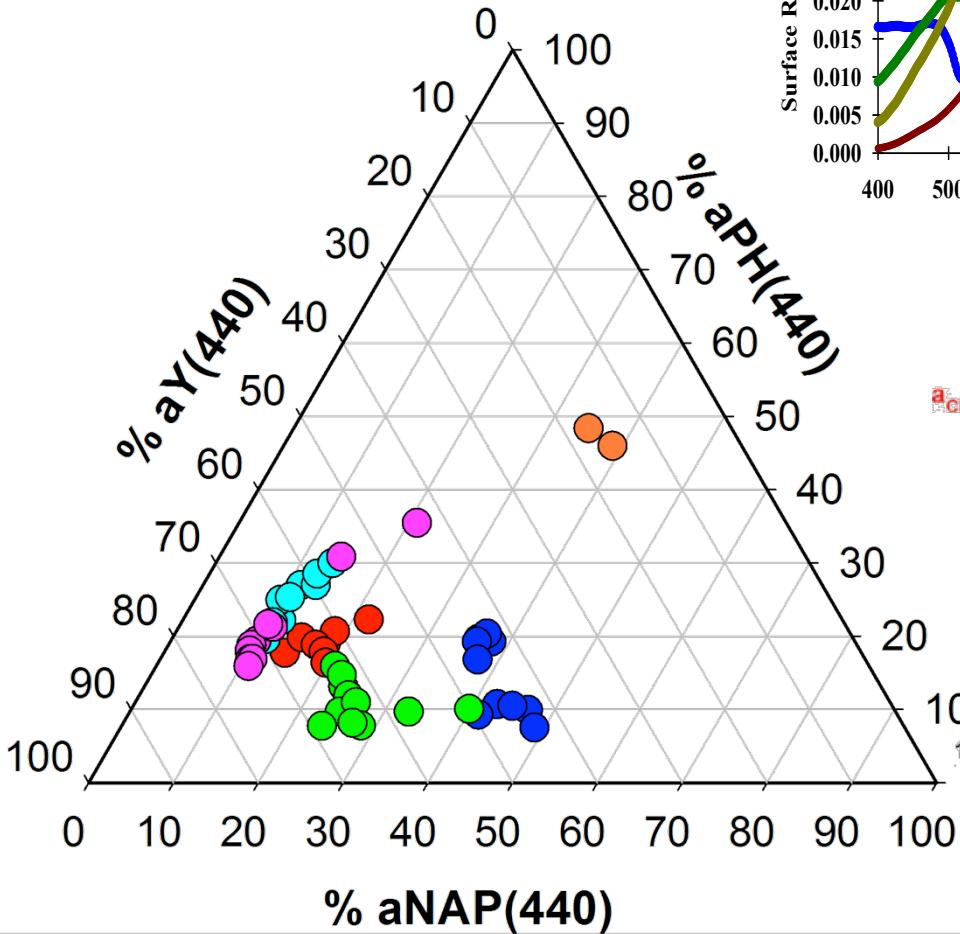


# MERIS inland –coastal water example (from G. Campbell USQ) Burdekin Falls Dam and Burdekin to GBR

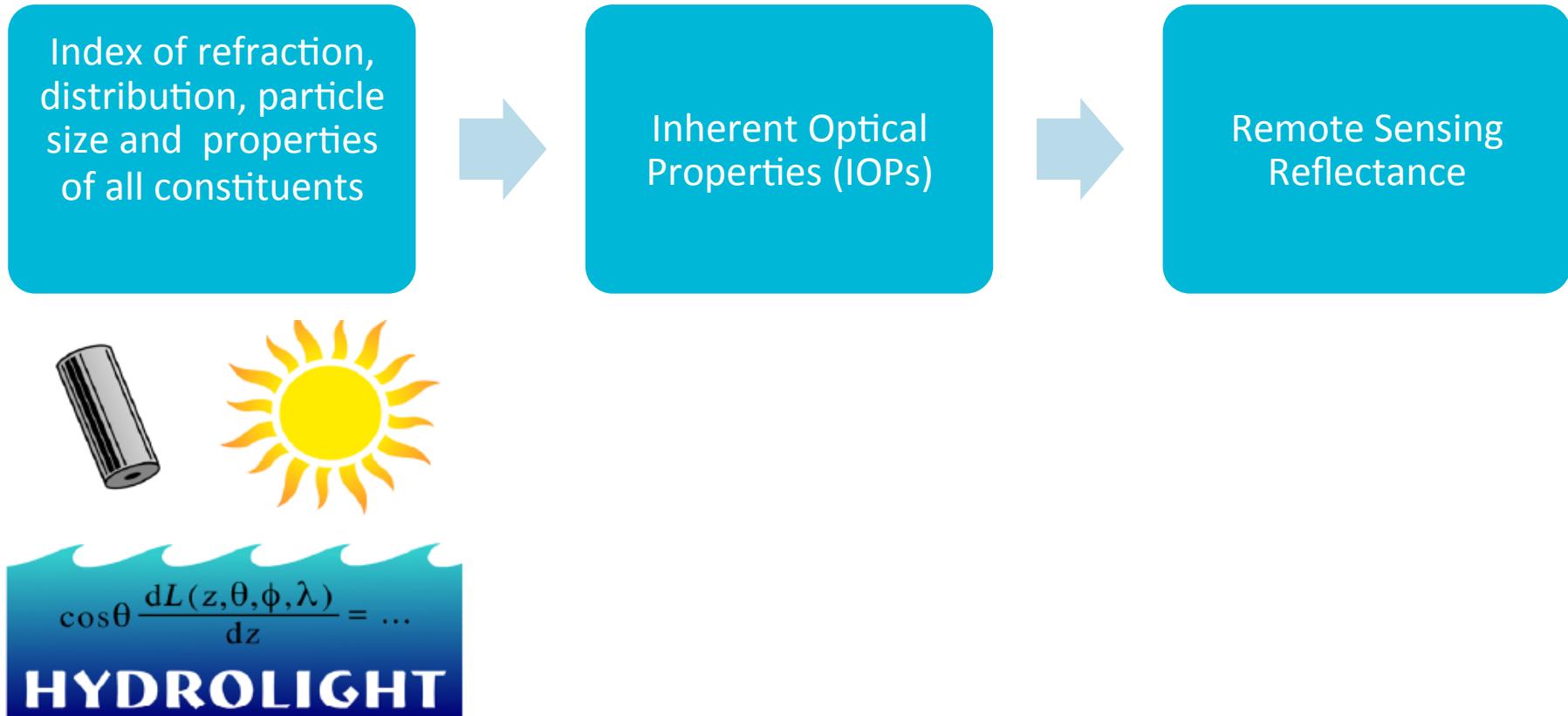
MERIS : every two days a scene @ 300 m resolution



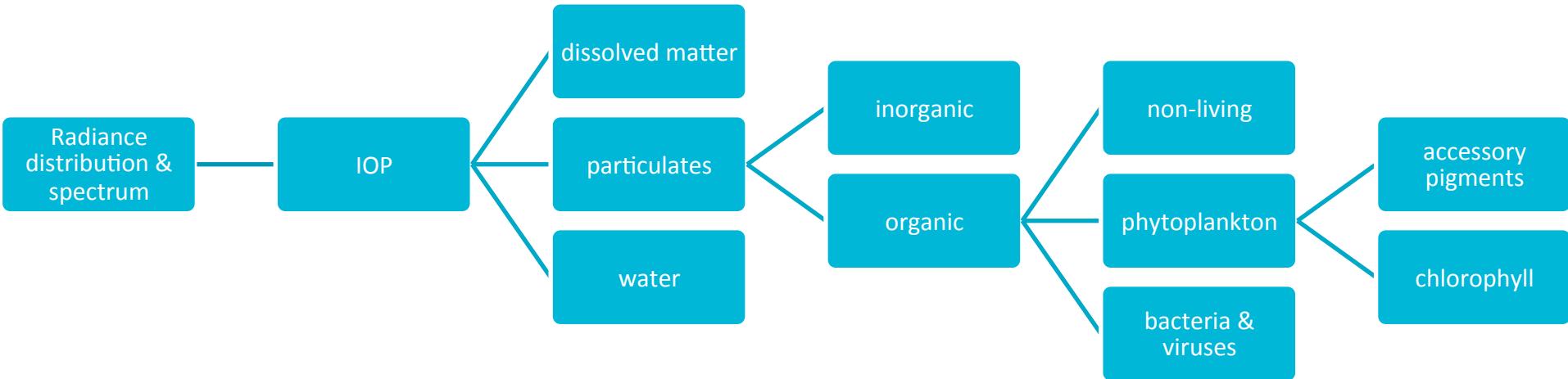
# Inland waters->->->->->-> Coastal Waters



# Semi-analytical approaches: the forward problem



# Semi-analytical approaches: the inverse problem

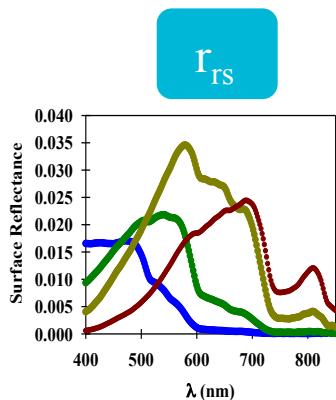


$$R_{rs}(\lambda) = f[a(\lambda), b_b(\lambda), \rho(\lambda), H, \Theta_w, \Theta_v, \psi]$$

IOCCG Report Number 5 (2006): *Remote Sensing of Inherent Optical Properties: Fundamentals, Tests of Algorithms, and Applications.*

# Solution: The adaptive Linear Matrix inversion (a-LMI) hyperspectral parameterisation-EO sensor agnostic

*Loop RTE inversion over candidate model parameter sets*



$SIOP_k = \text{Candidate model parameter set } k$   
 $[a^*_{phy}(\lambda), S_{CDOM}, a^*_{NAP}(440), S_{NAP}, b^*_{bphy}(555), Y_{phy}, b^*_{NAP}(555), Y_{NAP}]_k$

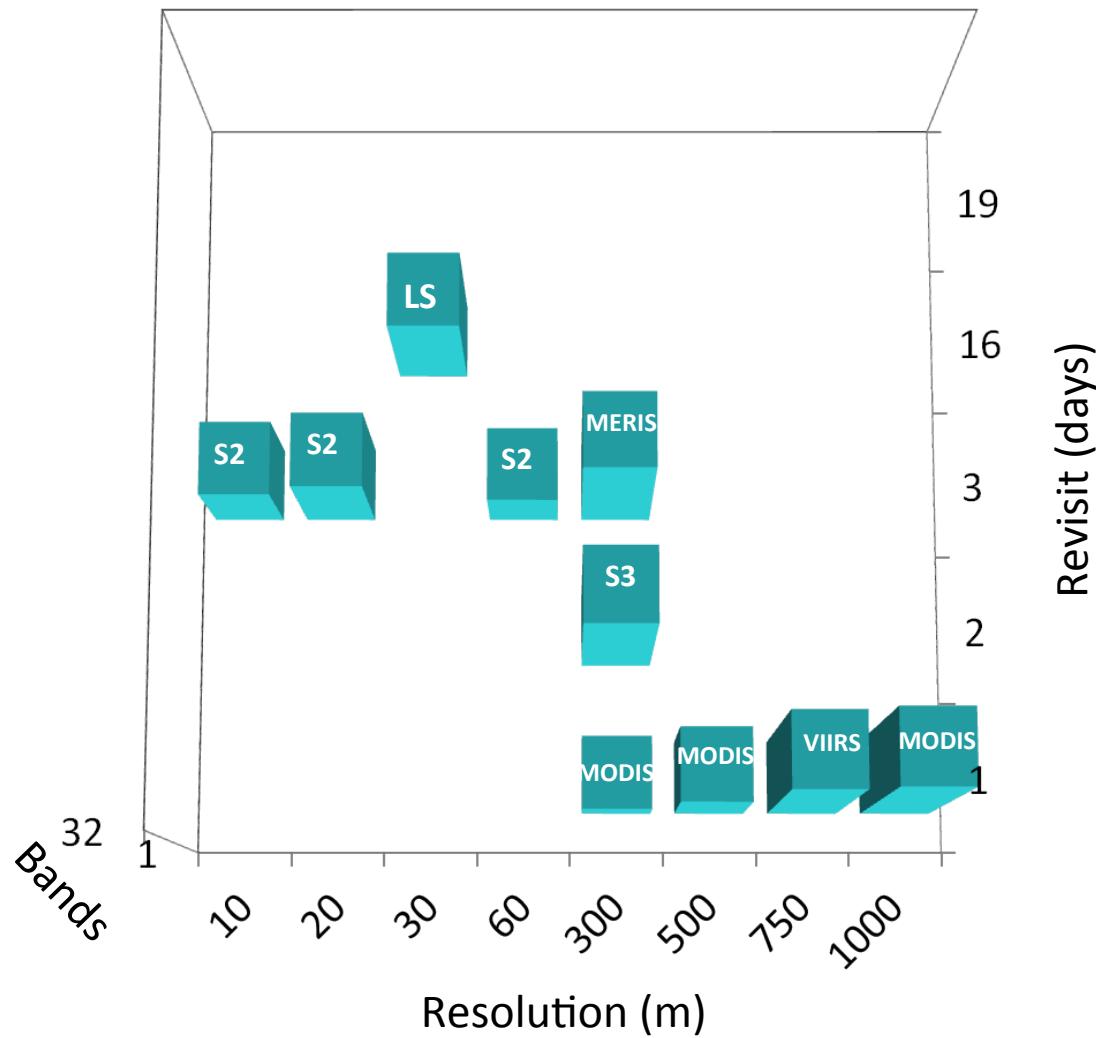
$[C_{CHL}, C_{CDOM}, C_{NAP}]_k = f(r_{rs}^{input}, SIOP_k)$

$$\Delta k = \Delta(r_{rs}^{input}, r_{rs}^{model}_k)$$

$C_{CHL}$   
 $C_{CDOM}$   
 $C_{NAP}$

$a_{phy}$   
 $a_{CDOM}$   
 $a_{NAP}$   
 $b_{bphy}$   
 $b_{bNAP}$

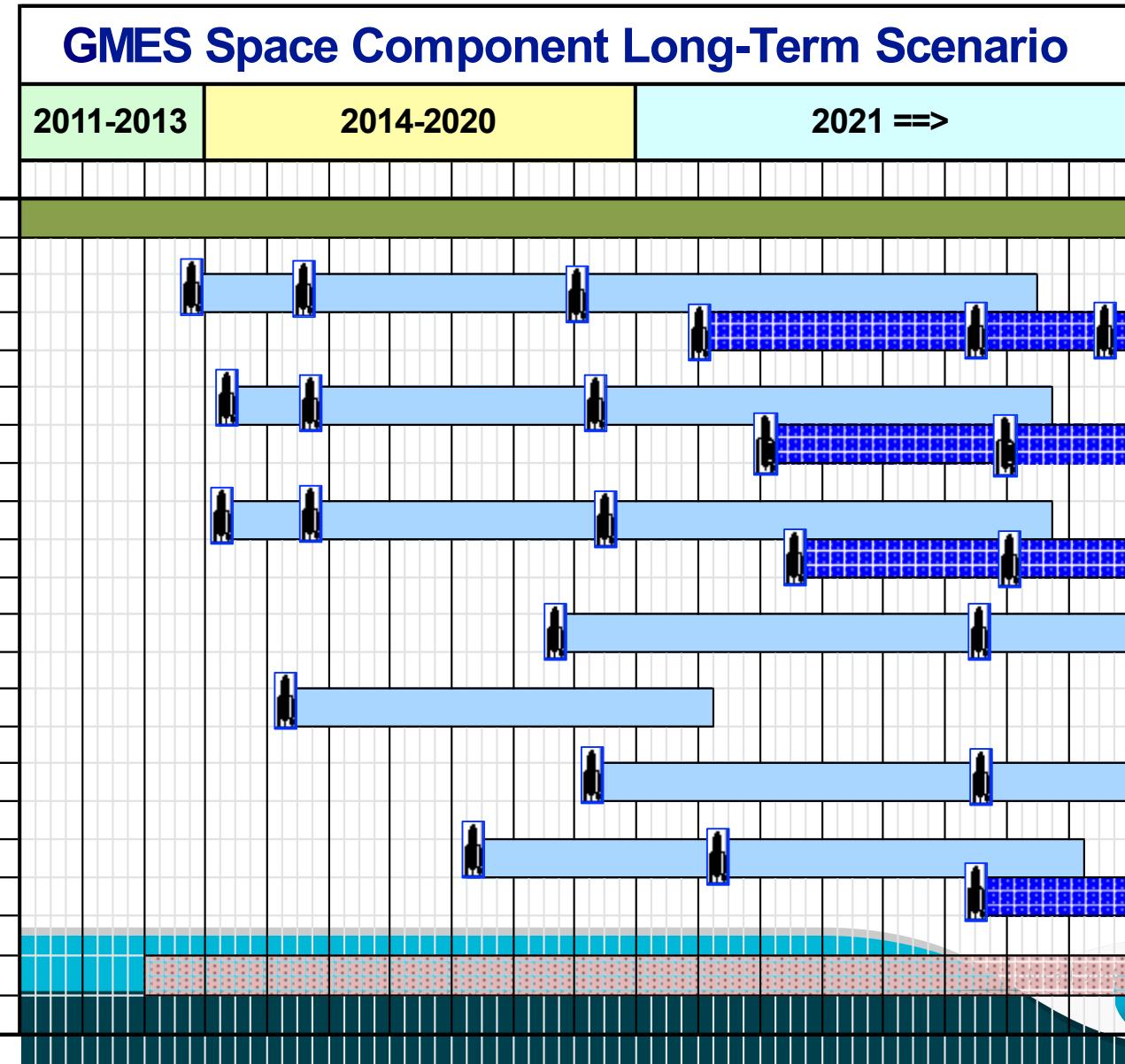
# Current & pending global mapping capabilities



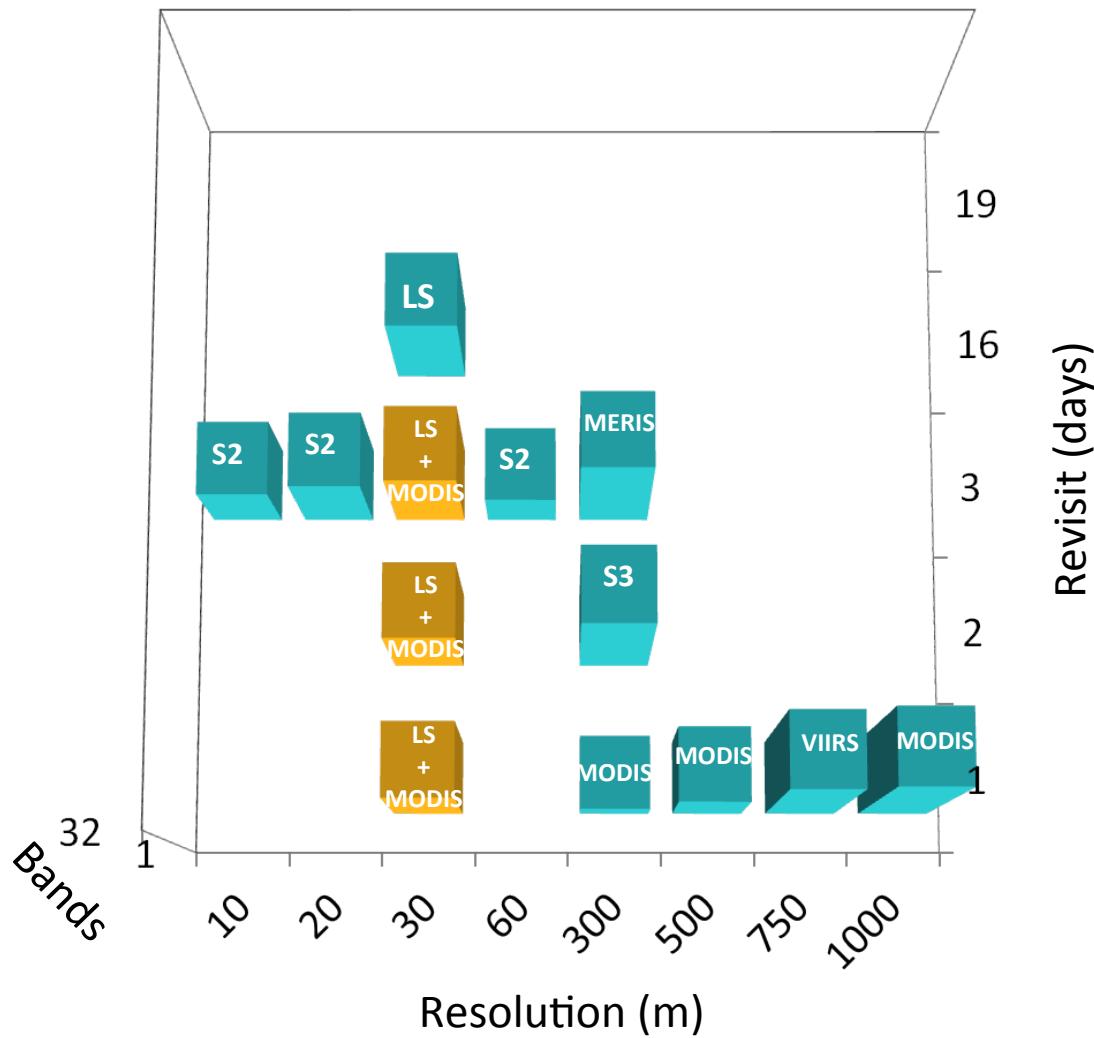
# Sentinel-2 as an Optically Deep Water Sensor

Band	Spatial	Spectral	From	To	Optically Deep Water	
Nr	Resolution (m)	width (nm)	$\lambda$	$\lambda$		
1	60	20	433	453	Chlorophyll, CDOM, NAP, Kd + Turb + SD	
2	10	65	458	523	Carotenoids, zeaxanthine, CDOM, TSM, Kd + Turb + SD	
3	10	35	543	578	Cyanophyco-erythrin, TSM, CDOM, Kd + Turb + SD	
4	10	30	650	680	Chlorophylls, TSM, Kd + Turb + SD	
5	20	15	698	713	TSM, Kd + Turb + SD, floating algal layers & macro-algae	
6	20	15	733	748	TSM, Sunglint, floating algal layers & macro-algae	
7	20	20	773	793	TSM, Sunglint, floating algal layers & macro-algae	
8	10	115	785	900	TSM, Sunglint	
8a	20	20	855	875	ATCOR, Sunglint	
9	60	20	935	955	ATCOR, Sunglint	
10	60	30	1360	1390	ATCOR	
11	20	90	1565	1655		
12	20	180	2100	2280		

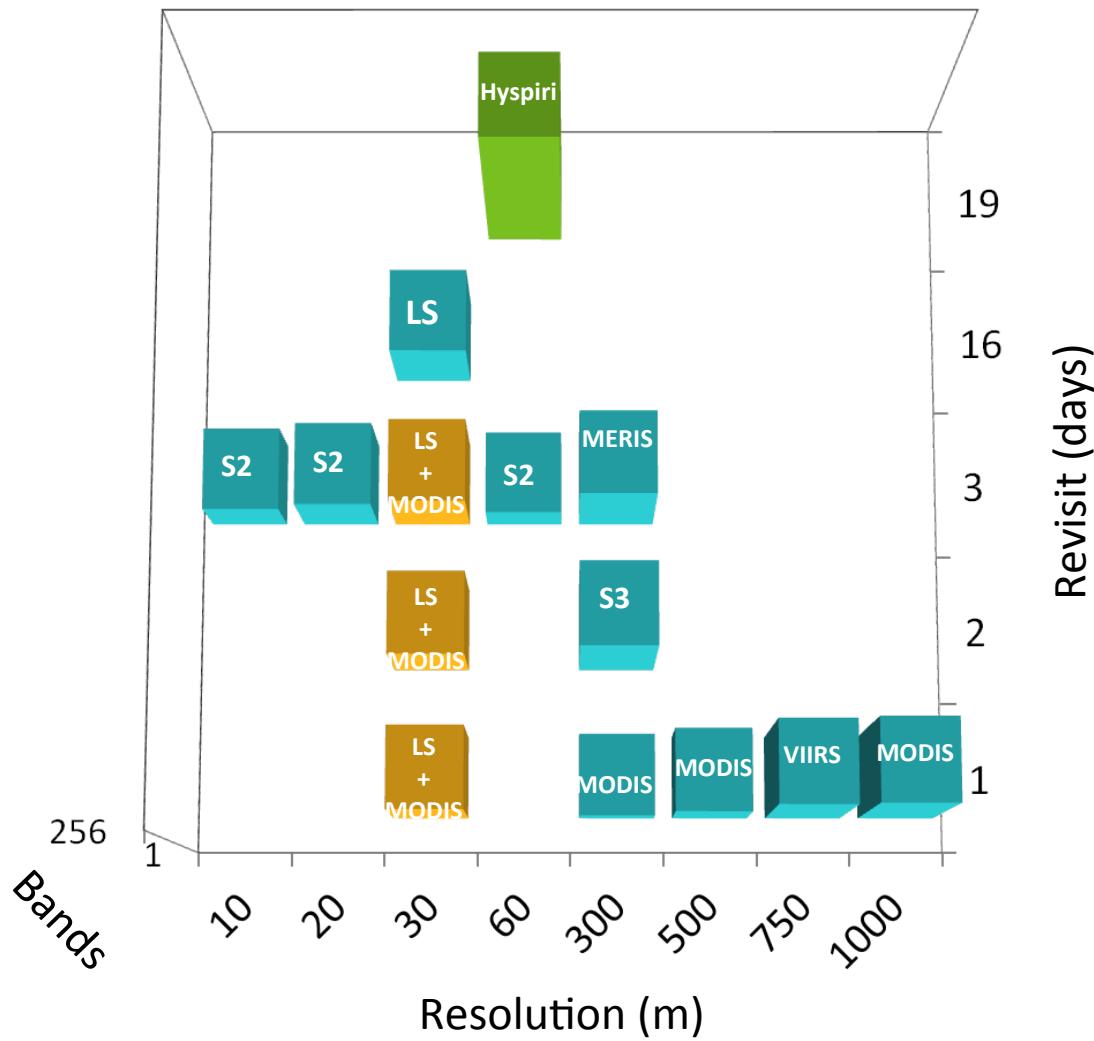
# Users need decade-long term perspectives



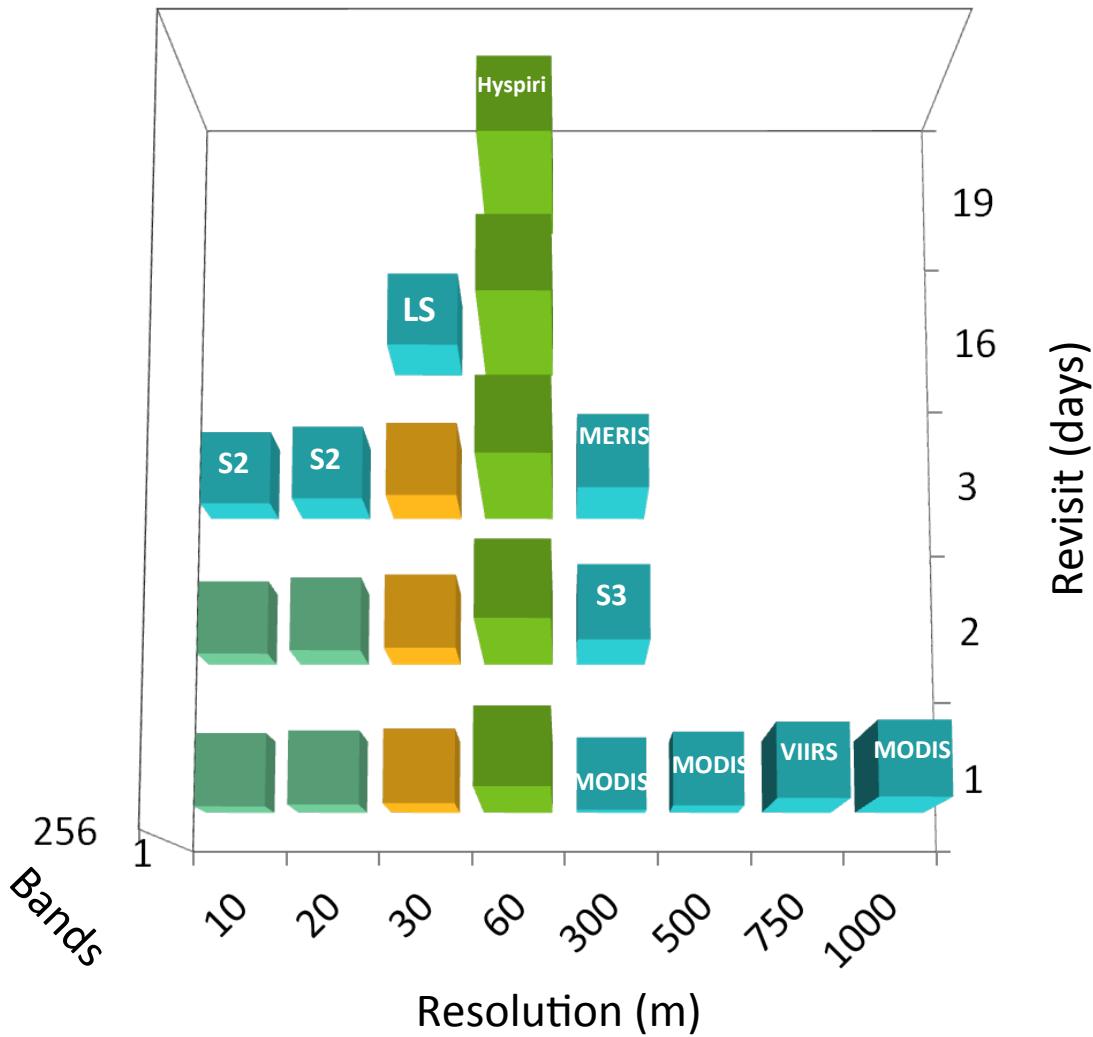
# Current blending opportunities



# Hyspaci's contribution to global mapping



# Future blending potential



# Towards an Aquatic Earth Observation System: using tools such as hydrodynamic and biogeochemical models, in situ observations and multi-and hyperspectral earth observation to:

- Eutrophication- Nutrients Fluxes & Budgets
  - Inland waters, bays and estuaries: water quality, macrophytes & habitat
- Carbon Fluxes & Budgets
  - Land to inland water body to sea: fluxes and reservoirs
- Climate Change
  - Retrospective time series analyses for trend and anomaly detection (including areas in Australia where nothing has been measured previously)
- Shoreline erosion and flooding
  - Effect of land-use changes on run-off
  - Riparian and flood plain
  - Bathymetry and DEM
- National Environmental Accounts
  - Habitat status, State of Environment reporting
- Emergency management
  - Potentially harmful algal blooms
  - Oil & Chemical Spill Response;