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# GLORIA

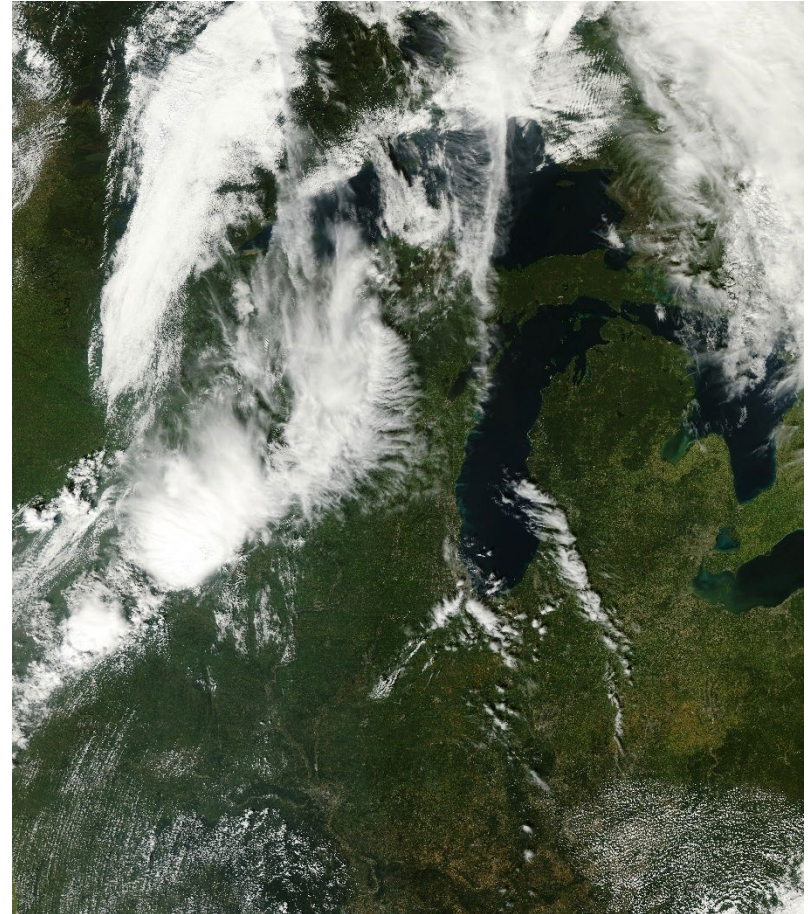
Supporting data-intensive water-quality algorithm development through a globally representative hyperspectral *in situ* dataset from inland and coastal waters: A community-initiative

Terra MODIS images of Wisconsin. Space Science and Engineering Center (SSEC) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison (<http://ge.ssec.wisc.edu/modis-today/index.php>)



# Outline

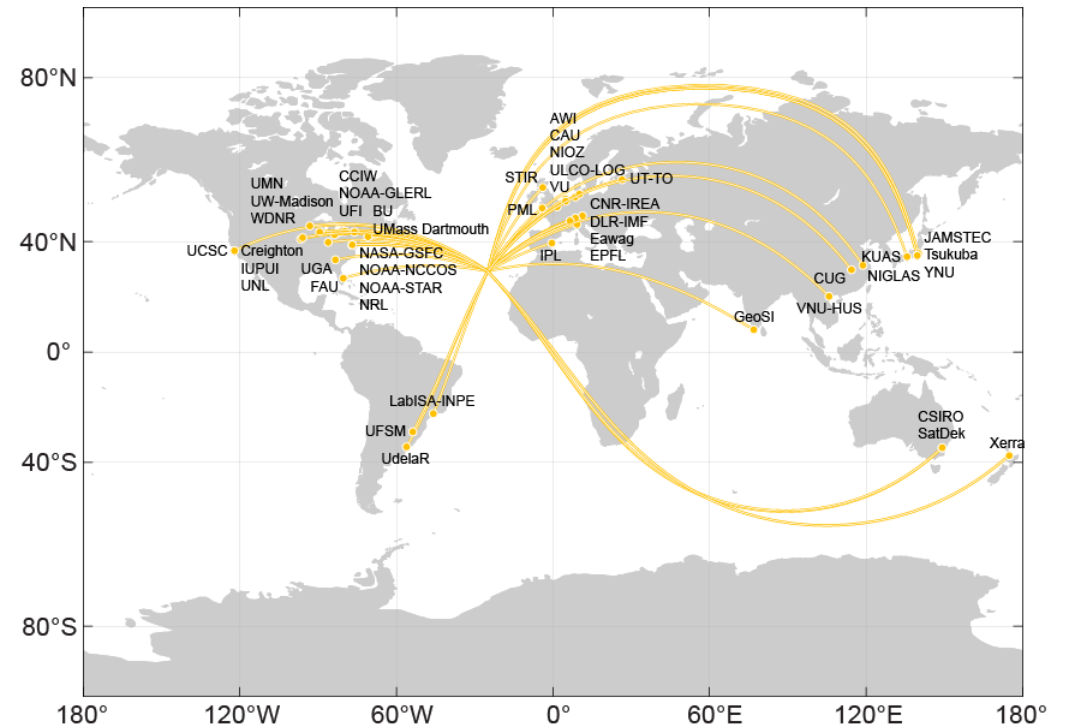
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Terra MODIS image of the Upper Midwest acquired on 09/18/2019 (Source of image: SSEC)

# Introduction to the GLORIA dataset

- GLObal Reflectance community dataset for Imaging and optical sensing of Aquatic environments (GLORIA)
- Open-access dataset of over 7000 hyperspectral remote sensing reflectance,  $R_{rs}$  ( $\text{sr}^{-1}$ ), and co-located water quality measurements contributed from researchers affiliated with 45 different institutions
- Expansion of data originally collated for a collaborative NASA-ESA-led exercise to assess the performance of atmospheric correction processors over inland and coastal waters (ACIX-II Aqua)<sup>1</sup>



Worldwide networking map of collaborating institutions

# Variables and ancillary data

## Variables

(as available)

Chla,  $\text{mg m}^{-3}$

Chla\_plus\_phaeo,  $\text{mg m}^{-3}$

TSS,  $\text{g m}^{-3}$

a440,  $\text{m}^{-1}$

Turbidity, NTU

Secchi\_depth, m

AOT

Rrs,  $\text{sr}^{-1}$

Radiometric component spectra

## Ancillary data

(as available)

Latitude

Longitude

Date\_Time\_UTC

Elevation\_asl, m

Wave\_height, m

Wind\_speed,  $\text{m s}^{-1}$

Cloud\_fraction

Depth, m

# Data source, geographic extent and timespan covered

## Data source

- Data acquired from the
  - SeaWiFS Bio-optical Archive and Storage System (SeaBASS):  
1221 entries
- and the
  - data contributors:  
6045 entries

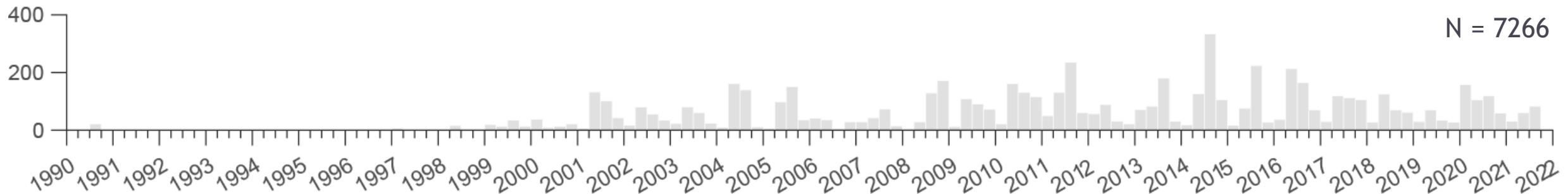
## Geographic extent and timespan covered

Rrs measurements represent an

- almost global latitudinal and longitudinal range spanning at least 450 different water bodies in 26 countries over a timeframe of 32 years

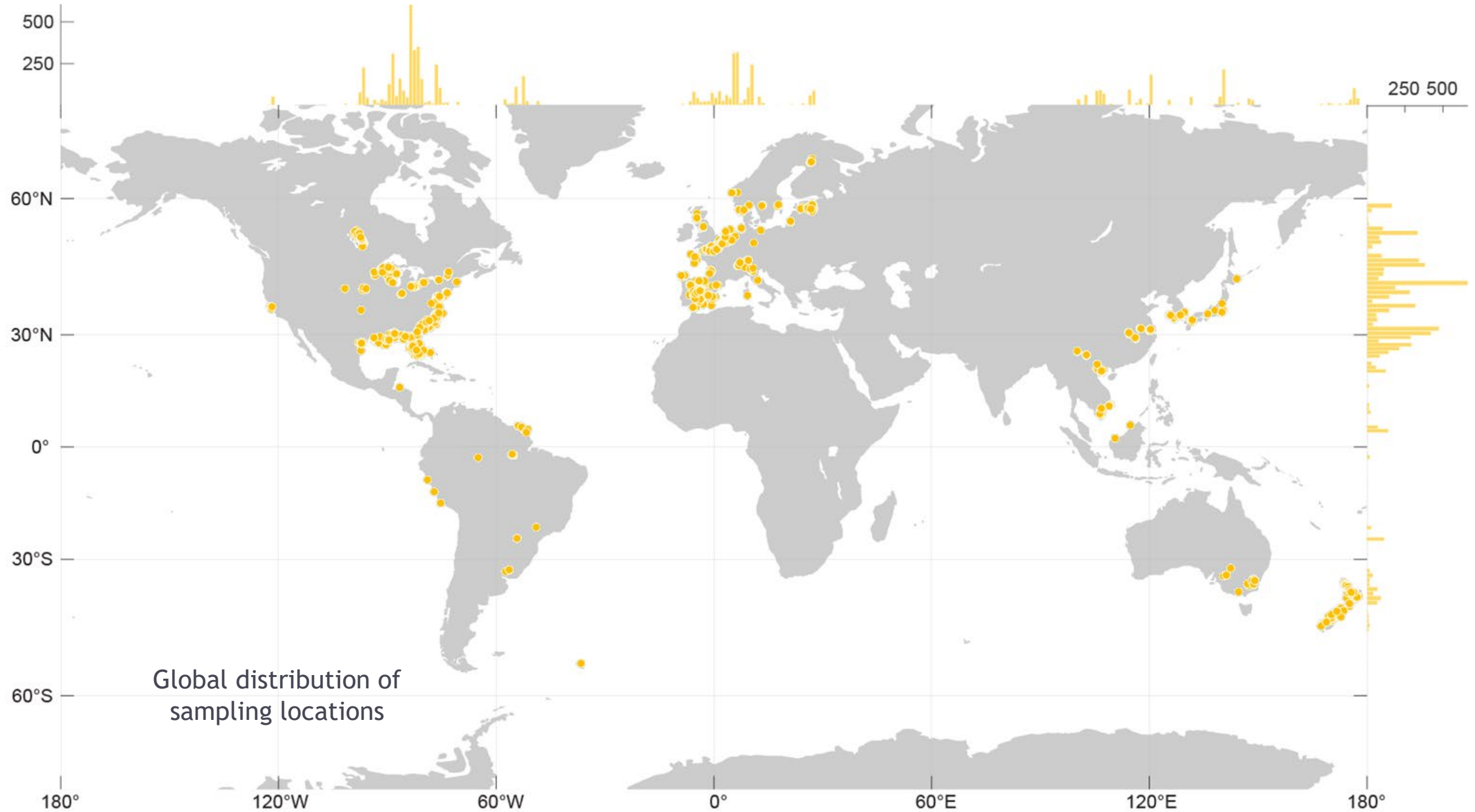
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- lakes (68.1%), followed by coastal waters (21.0%), estuaries (9.3%), rivers (0.8%) and other water body types (0.8%)



Histogram of samples collected over time

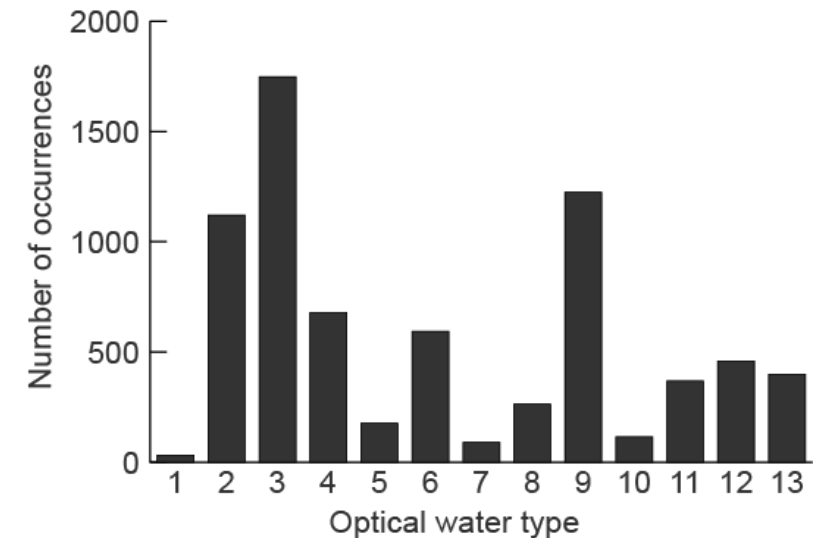
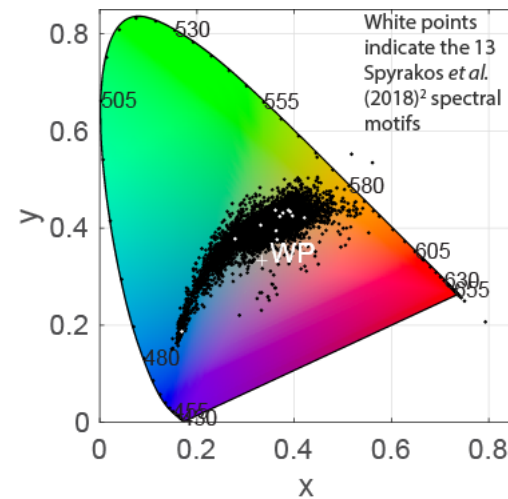
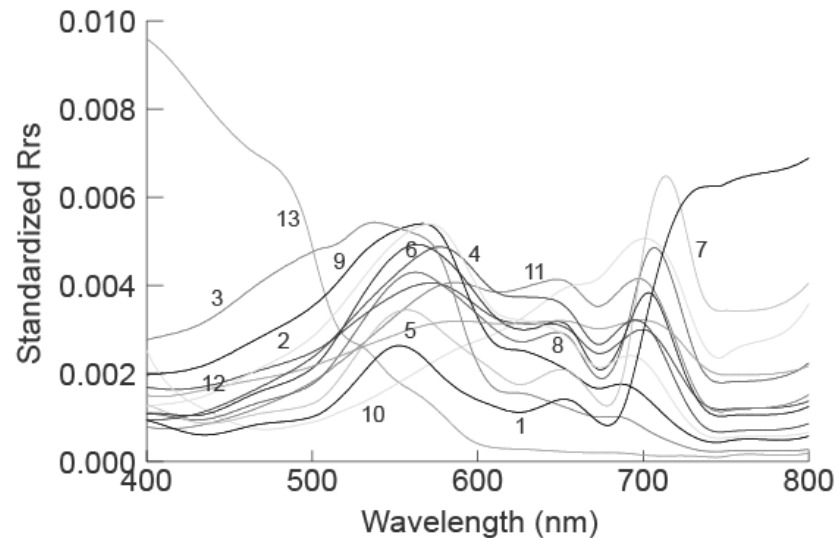




Global distribution of sampling locations

# Radiometric and water quality attribute data

Radiometric data currently entail 7266 Rrs measurements ranging from sediment-, chlorophyll-, and/or CDOM-dominated to clear inland and coastal waters

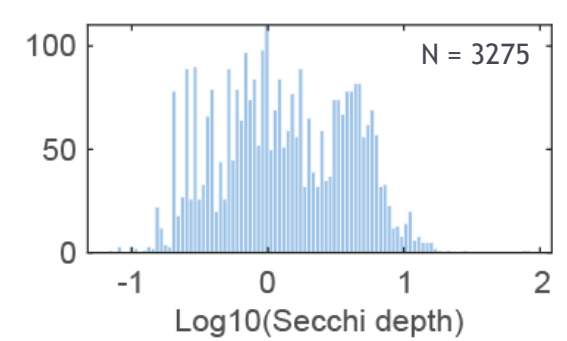
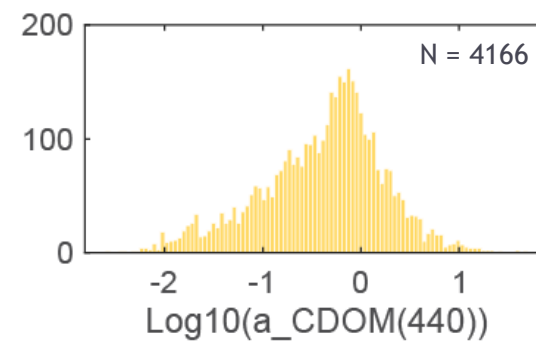
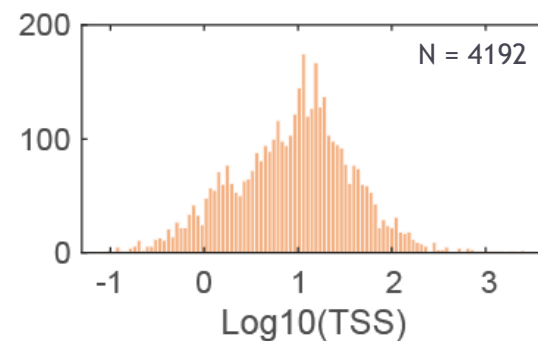
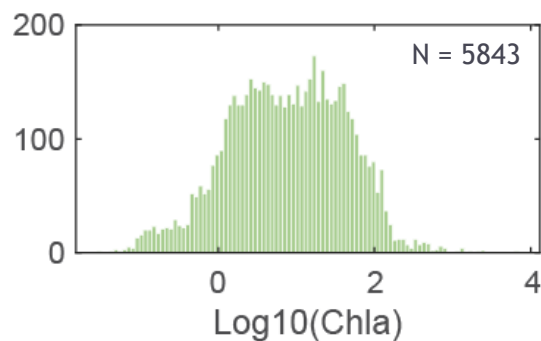


Reference spectral motifs from Spyrakos *et al.* 2018<sup>2</sup>, chromaticity, and optical water types of the GLORIA dataset

# Radiometric and water quality attribute data

Water quality attribute data currently comprise 5843 Chla, 4192 TSS, 4166 a\_cdom(440), 720 turbidity and 3275 Secchi depth measurements from the same water bodies

Attribute	Unit	Min	Max	Median	Mean	Std. dev
Chla	mg m <sup>-3</sup>	0.000	6988	7.88	29.9	128
TSS	g m <sup>-3</sup>	0.000	2627	10.1	26.6	95.9
a_cdom(440)	m <sup>-1</sup>	0.000	49.1	0.511	1.00	2.05
Turbidity	NTU	0.255	787	7.86	16.8	39.6
Secchi depth	m	0.0	28.5	1.2	2.3	2.5



Histograms of log transformed water quality attributes



# Data access and post-processing

- Preliminary access for data contributors in summer 2022
- Completed detailed information recovery with them to expand and standardize the metadata
- Started to identify outliers and unrealistic spectral shapes in the radiometric data
- Open access with the acceptance of a data publication targeted for spring 2023
- Submission to the publicly shared data archives LIMNADES, PANGAEA and SeaBASS pending outstanding quality control
- Data access through the respective web portals
- Convolution to the relative spectral responses of satellite sensors in post-processing required as radiometric data is spectrally sampled to 1 nm
- Re-processing of radiometric components to Rrs for parts of the dataset optional

# Data files of the GLORIA dataset

- meta\_and\_lab.csv
- rrs.csv
- ed.csv
- lw.csv
- lt.csv
- lu.csv
- ls.csv
- qc\_codes.csv
- Metadata and water quality measurements associated with each Rrs spectrum
- Radiometric quantities at 1 nm intervals from 350 - 900 nm, or less as available
- Quality control (QC) flags (binary) for each QC procedure
- Metadata includes numerical codes from multiple choice lists, dates and text entries
- Data files linked through GLORIA unique sample ID (GID\_#)

# Metadata

## Referencing and identification

(e.g., GLORIA\_ID, Organization\_ID, Dataset\_ID, Sample\_ID, LIMNADES\_ID, LIMNADES\_UID)

## Site and conditions

(e.g., Site\_name, Country, Country\_code, Latitude, Longitude, Date\_Time\_UTC)

## Environment

(e.g., Landcover, Topography, Distance\_to\_river\_dis-charge, Optical\_stability\_of\_water, Rain\_event\_hour)

## Radiometry

(e.g. Instrument\_manufacturer, Instrument\_model, Last\_calibration, Measurement\_method)

## Sample collection and analysis

(e.g. Sample\_depth, Water\_collection\_equipment, Chl\_method, Phaeophytin\_correction, TSS\_method, a440\_method)

## Radiometry

- **Instrument\_manufacturer**  
Instrument manufacturer (multiple choice list)
- **Instrument\_model**  
Instrument model (model number optional)
- **Last\_calibration**  
Date last calibrated prior to data collection (yyyy-mm-dd)
- **Measurement\_method**  
Measurement method used for radiometric measurements (multiple choice list)
- **Lt\_nadir\_deg, Lt\_azimuth\_deg and Lt\_relative\_azimuth\_deg**
- **Ls\_zenith\_deg, Ls\_azimuth\_deg and Ls\_relative\_azimuth\_deg**
- **Spectral\_resolution\_nm**  
Spectral resolution (FWHM) of the measurement (nm)
- **Number\_of\_radiometers**  
Number of radiometers used for radiometric measurements
- **Field\_of\_view\_Lt\_radiometer\_deg and Field\_of\_view\_Lu\_radiometer\_deg**
- **Skyglint\_removal**  
Skyglint removal approach (multiple choice list)
- **Bias\_removal\_in\_NIR, Self-shading\_correction and Viewing\_angle\_correction**
- **Additional\_data\_corrections**  
Specification of any additional data corrections
- **Availability\_of\_IOPs**  
Absorption and scattering data availability (Not available/Available)



# Metadata

\*MP - Moving Platform

## No. Measurement method used for radiometric measurements (multiple choice list)

- 1 Sequential Lt(0+), Ls, and Ed(0+) via a plaque on MP\*
- 2 Simultaneous Lt(0+), Ls, and Ed(0+) on MP\*
- 3 Simultaneous Lt(0+), Ls, and Ed(0+) from a fixed platform
- 4 Lu(0-) and Ed(0+) on pole connected to a spectrometer via fiber optics from MP\* or water edge
- 5 Lw(0+) and Ed(0+) afloat away from MP\*
- 6 Lu(0-) afloat away from MP\*, Ed(0+) on MP\*
- 7 Lt(0+), Ls, and Ed(0+) on MP\*
- 8 Lt(0+), Ls, and Ed(0+) on a frame deployed on MP\*
- 9 Lu(0-) and Ed(0-) in-water profiling from MP\*, Ed (0+) on MP\*
- 10 Lu(0-) and Ed(z) units on a depth adjustable bar (measurements at -0.21 and -0.67m) on a frame afloat ...
- 11 Lu(0-) and Ed(0-) from winch on MP\*, Ed(0+) on MP\*
- 12 Lt(0+) and Ed(0+) on pole from water edge
- 13 Lu(0-) and Ed(0-) autonomous in-water profiling from a fixed platform
- 14 Sequential Lt(0+) and Ed(0+) via a plaque, mounted on gimbal stabilized pole from MP\*
- 15 Lu(0-) (and Ed(0-) only for depth information) from in-water profiling from MP\*, Edf(0+) recorded simul-...
- 16 Lt(0+), Ls, Ed(0+), combined with one Lu unit (aperture at -0.05 to -0.10m) placed on a pole
- 17 Sequential Lu(0-) and Ed(0+) via a plaque, both measurements using an optical fiber to a black masked ...



# Method, variable and unit keys

## Method details for Chla measurements

Dataset, methodology short name, filter type, pigment extraction technique, pigment quantification technique, phaeophytin correction, instrument manufacturers and models and references to the approach and applications

## Method details for TSS measurements

Dataset, methodology short name, filter type, measurement technique and references to the approach and applications

## Method details for a440 measurements

Dataset, methodology short name, filter type, measurement technique, instrument manufacturers and models and references to the approach and applications

## Key to variables and units in the ancillary and metadata table

Data and metadata headers, descriptions and units

# Quality assurance and quality control

- Some quality assurance and quality control of the submitted data, metadata, and method details has been done
- Continuous feedback loop with data contributors throughout the data standardization process ensured accurate representation of their datasets
- Use of automated quality assurance and quality control steps helped to identify outliers and unrealistic spectral shapes in the radiometry data
- Flags for Steep\_UV, Noisy\_redege, Noisy\_UV, Negative\_Rrs\_UV and Negative\_Rrs\_redege in a separate qc\_codes.csv file provide information on data quality issues
- Preliminary data access for data contributors will serve as additional opportunity to review the dataset





# Possible enhancements of the GLORIA dataset

- Classification of the methodology, viewing angle, azimuth angle, time window, and sensor tilt would provide useful data quality filters
  - Information on sensor tilt needed
- Information about uncertainty in radiometric and water quality attribute measurements would increase user confidence
  - Information about uncertainty and/or replicates as standard deviation and bincount needed
  - Reprocessing of the radiometric data using the most recent algorithms
  - Information about differences in the original and reprocessed data to help with an assessment of the uncertainties

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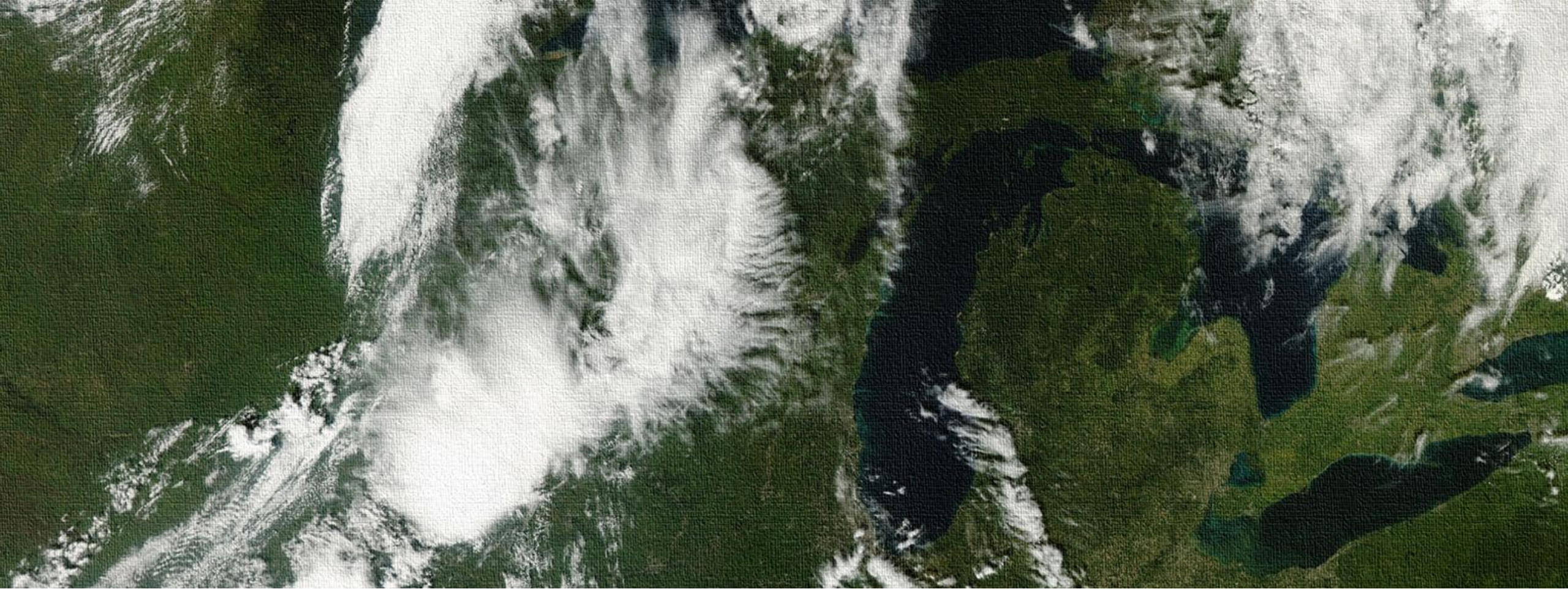
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