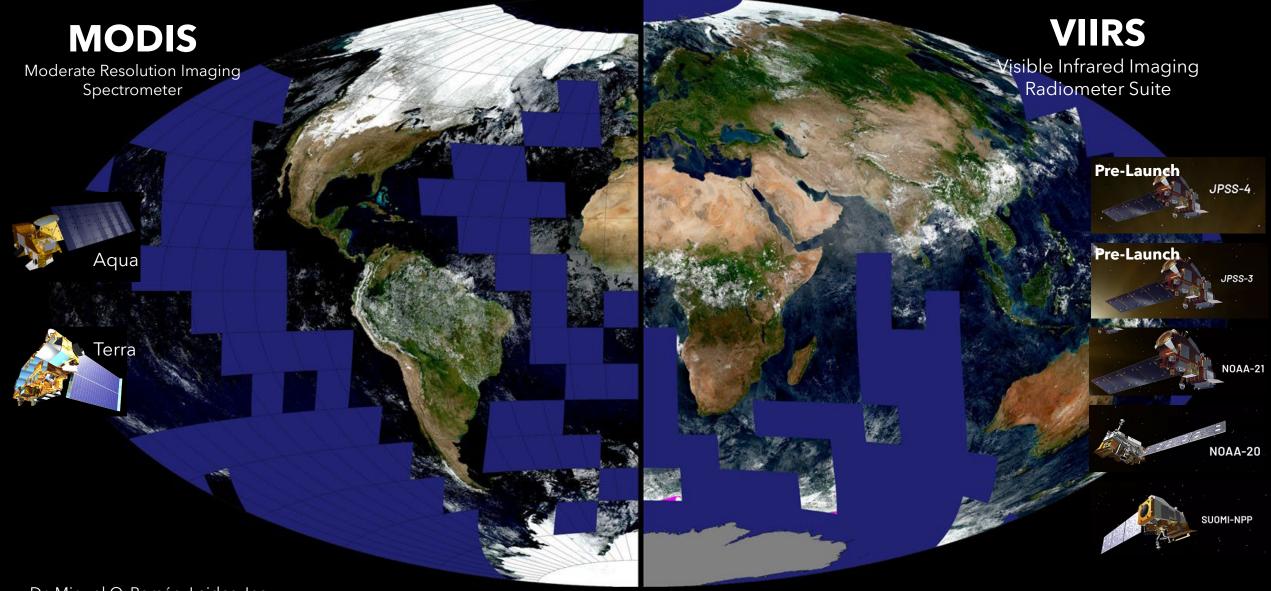
LANCE-UWG Chair Perspective





Dr. Miguel O. Román, Leidos, Inc.

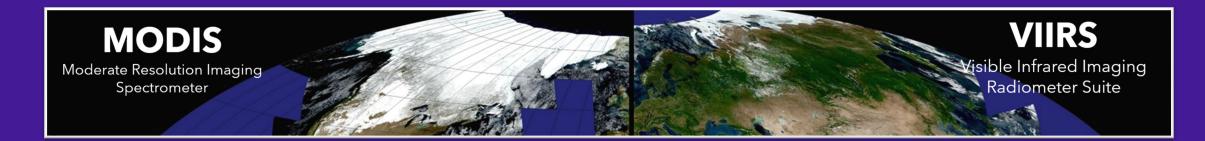


• MODIS/VIIRS Science and Instrument Team Activities

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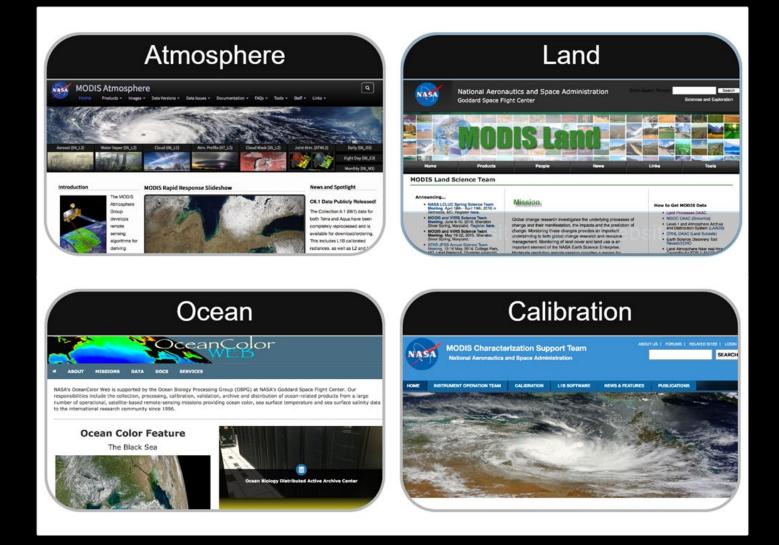


Timely and Accurate Data: MODIS/VIIRS NRT Products Account for >90% of LANCE-NRT Data Volumes





NASA MODIS/VIIRS Science and Instrument Team Activities



NASA MODIS/VIIRS Science and Instrument Teams



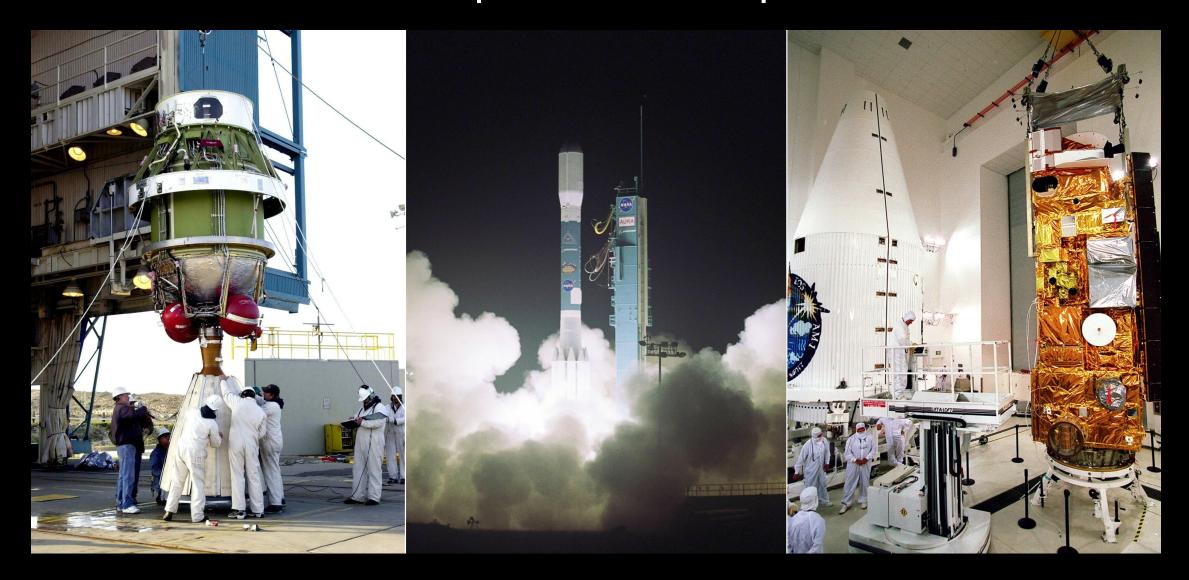
Key Personnel:

Miguel Román - Science Team Lead Jack Xiong - Characterization Support Team Lead Sadashiva Devadiga - Science Data Support Team Lead Chris Justice & Miguel Román - Land Discipline Team Leads Bryan Franz - Ocean Discipline Team Lead Steve Platnick & Robert Holz - Atmospheres Discipline Leads



https://modis.gsfc.nasa.gov/sci_team/ https://viirsland.gsfc.nasa.gov/PeopleST.html

Terra/Aqua/Aura Updates



Terra/Aqua Status

| | Terra | Aqua | Aura |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Constellation Exit | October 2022 | N/A* | N/A* |
| End Science Operations | February 2027 | July 2026 | July 2025 |
| Spacecraft Passivation | April 2027 | September 2026 | September 2025 |

* Aqua and Aura are currently drifting in/near the A-Train Constellation (705km) and will continue drifting there until the end of science data collection; thus, no Constellation Exit date.

Terra Current Status



| | December | lanuary | ry <u>February March April May</u> | | | |
|-----------------------|----------|----------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | December | <u>January</u> | rebluary | <u>Marcn</u> | <u>April</u> | <u>May</u> |
| CDH | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |
| СОМ | Green | Green | Green | Yellow ⁴ | Yellow ⁴ | Yellow ⁴ |
| EPS ² | Yellow | Yellow | Yellow | Yellow ⁴ | Yellow ⁴ | Yellow ⁴ |
| FSW | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |
| GNC | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |
| NAV | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |
| TCS | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |
| INST ¹ | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |
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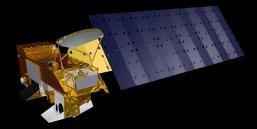
• Shunt #6 and Shunt #8 stopped transmitting power.

• Configured direct broadcast to standby to reduce load.

- Another shunt anomaly would need approximately 200 watts of power mitigation
 - Instrument-safe modes would not provide sufficient power optimization
 - Decided that complete instrument turn-off is not optimal
 - Survival mode is a feasible alternative
- Action to Instrument Operations Teams
 - Provide estimated power requirements for instrument survival modes
- Action to Project Science Team
 - Terra Project Scientist (Kurt Thome) will prepare a draft load-shedding plan in case of another solar shunt anomaly. The goal is to have a document for ESD's Operating Missions Program (Jamie Wicks) by the end of June that they can comment on, leading to a version that would go through a formal review process, as needed.

| INSTRUMENTS | Total Load |
|-------------|------------|
| MOPITT | 191W |
| ASTER | 188W |
| CERES | 101W |
| MODIS | 137W |
| MISR | 82W |

Aqua Current Status



•Spacecraft Status - GREEN

Instrument Status - GREEN

•AIRS and MODIS: Nominal Operations

•AMSU: Nominal Operations except for Channels 1, 2, 4, 5, and 7

•CERES: Nominal Operations except for CERES-Fore instrument

•AMSR-E: Powered Down 3/3/2016

•HSB: Survival Mode since 2/5/2003

• Data Capture/L0 Processing Status - GREEN

SSR Data Capture May 2024: 99.4664315%
SSR Data Capture to 5/31/2024: 99.8114053%

•Data Latency – Excellent

•Ground Systems:

•Responding to new security requirements and upgrades to obsolete hardware or COTS systems. Reduced IT Security Patch cadence.

•Flight Operations: 2 Operations Controller (OCE) Operations

•06/24/2022: FOT 2-OCE Operations Concept Review (OCR)

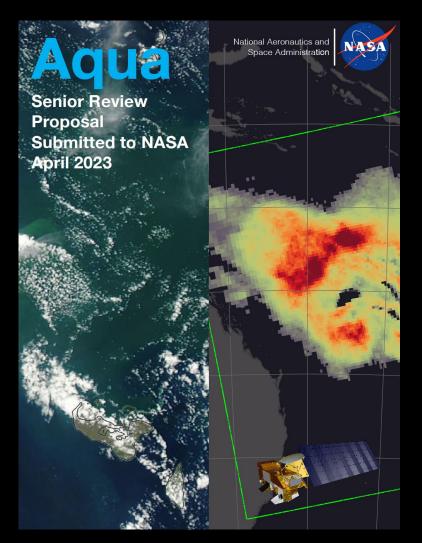
•06/30/2022: Test Readiness Review (TRR)

•09/01/2022: Operations Readiness Review (ORR) – Operational on 9/4/2022

•07/06/2023: Lights-out operations ORR - Operational on 7/7/2023

2023 Earth Science Division Senior Review





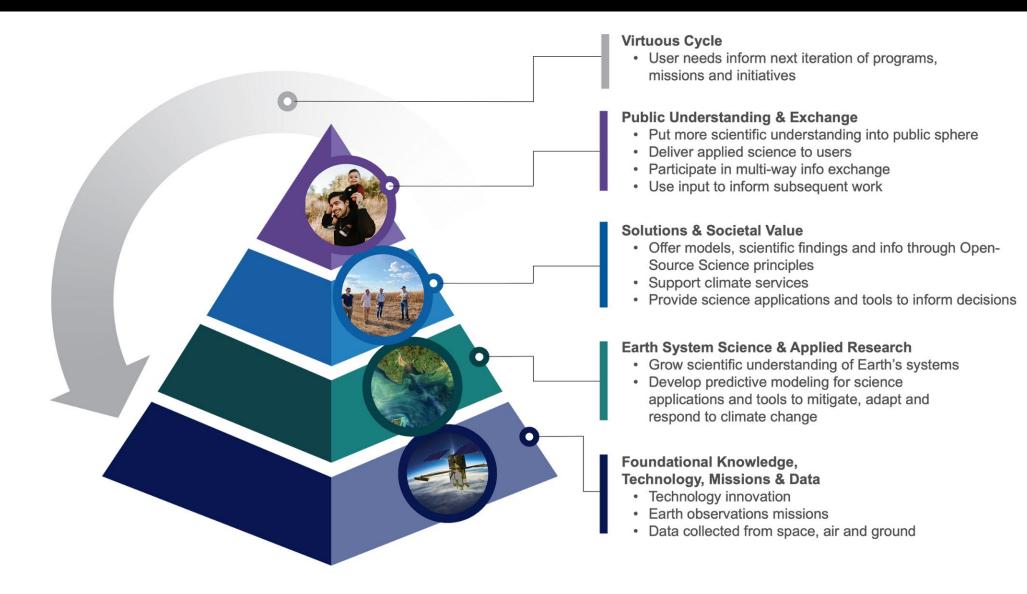
Terra/Aqua Algorithm Maintenance Efforts (AMEs)

| Funded by: | Mission | PI | Institution |
|------------|------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| | • | • | - |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Balch/Mitchell | Bigelow/Bigelov |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Jeffrey Czapla-Myers | U. Arizona |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Robert Frouin | Scripps-UCSD |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Louis Giglio | UMD |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Dorothy Hall | UMD |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Crystal Schaaf | UMASS |
| Aqua/Terra | Aqua/Terra | David Siegel | UCSB |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Eric Vermote | NASA-GSFC |
| Terra | Terra | Sohlberg/ Carroll | UMD/GSFC |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Simon Hook | JPL |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Glynn Hulley | JPL |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Alexei Lyapustin | NASA-GSFC |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Eva Borbas/Ackerman | UW-Madison |
| Aqua | Aqua/Terra | Bryan Franz | NASA-GSFC |
| Aqua | Aqua/Terra | Huilin Gao | Texas A & M |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Christina Hsu | NASA-GSFC |
| Aqua | Aqua/Terra | Robert Levy | NASA-GSFC |
| Aqua | Aqua/Terra | Antonio Mannino | NASA-GSFC |
| Aqua | Aqua/Terra | Peter Minnett | U. Miami |
| Aqua | Aqua/Terra | Steven Platnick | NASA-GSFC |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Dariusz Stramski | UCSD |
| Terra | Aqua/Terra | Dongdong Wang | UMCP |
| Aqua | Aqua/Terra | Jeremy Werdell | NASA-GSFC |
| Aqua | Aqua | Toby Westberry | Oregon State |

- In September 2023, Terra and Aqua received their guidance letters after completing the 2023 Earth Science Senior Review (ESSR2023).
- The guidance letters direct the missions to extend operations through fiscal year 2026 (FY2026) for Aqua and FY2027 for Terra as currently baselined in their respective Senior Review budget targets ("inguide budgets").
- The guidance letters also notified that 24 Algorithm Maintenance Efforts (AMEs, **listed here**) were to be supported.
- On the Terra-side AME funding has just been waiting on action from GSFC RA team to get the paperwork to NSSC.

NASA's Earth Science to Action Framework







Generate Climate Information: **Deliver** Climate Services: **Inform** Decisions: Mapping and Visualization • Climate-Quality Observations • Sustainable Infrastructure Decision Support Systems • Fiducial Reference Data Environmental Justice Modeling/Simulation Studies • Simulation-Driven Insights Stakeholder Engagement Deliver Develop Inform Use Generate **Develop** Climate Services: **Use** Climate Services: Data Integration Platforms Mitigation Efforts • Application Development Adaptation Measures User-Centric Tool Design Resilience Building

CROSS-CUTTING THEMES - Health, Disasters, & Resiliency



Land Surface Temperature

Urban heat islands & community vulnerability



Land Surface Reflectance:

Natural hazard impacts

Drought & Heatwaves

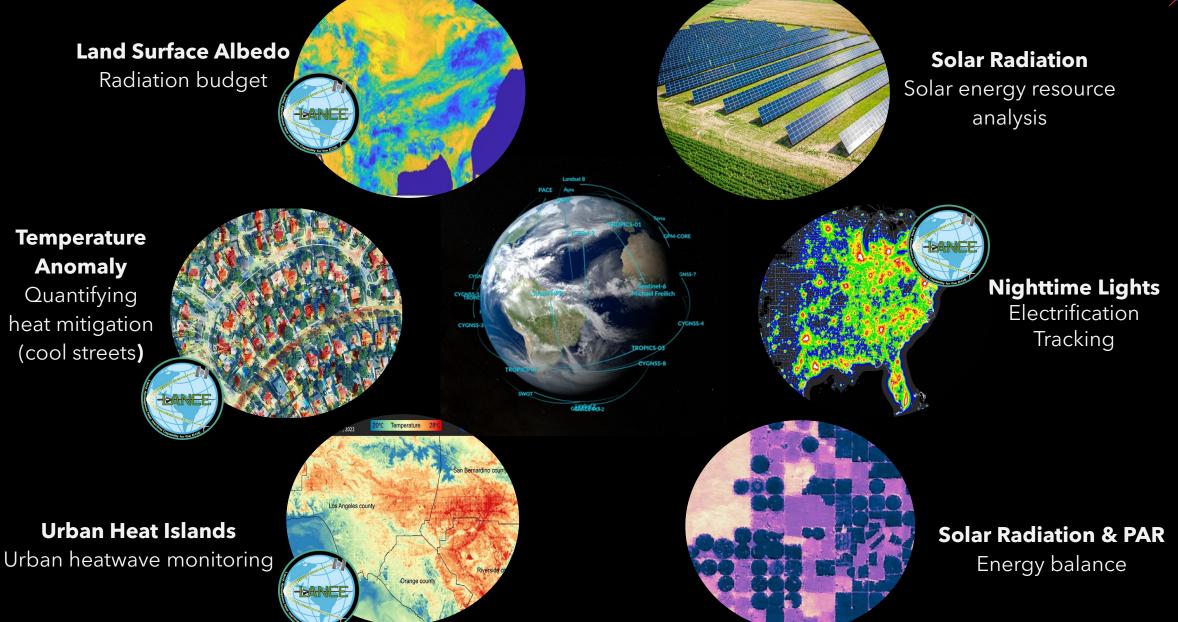
> Active Fires & Burned Area Fire severity & extent

Air Quality Planning Urban Air Pollution (smoke, dust, & smog)

Nighttime Lights Pandemics & power outages

CROSS-CUTTING THEMES - Energy & Sustainability













MODIS Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectrometer



VIIRS

Radiometer Suite

Chair's Perspective:

Approach to NASA's Earth Action Strategy





Data Continuity: Capabilities, Needs, and Gaps

The New York Times

What Happens When NASA Loses Eyes on Earth? We're About to Find Out.

Three long-running satellites will soon be switched off, forcing scientists to figure out how to adjust their views of our changing planet.

https://www.nytimes.com/2024/05/03/climate/nasa-satellites-data.html



• Will NRT data from other satellites compensate for the loss of Terra/Aqua MODIS Products?

• Will they be comparable in quality?

• What will be the gaps?

Other

FAQs...

• And, what will be the scientific, economic, societal and environmental effects of not having data from these satellites?

Latest Guidance

- Following last year's Terra, Aqua, and Aura Data Continuity Workshop, NASA collected inputs and submitted a comprehensive report, which is available online via NSPIRES: <u>https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/solicitations/summary!init.</u> <u>do?solId={EC26B6F5-5B02-8932-45F4-</u> <u>EAF5DED2DA14}&path=opensee</u>
- The report aims to be all-encompassing, incorporating perspectives from all missions (Terra/Aqua/Aura), instruments, and science disciplines (See Executive Summary): <u>https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/viewrepositorydocument/ cmdocumentid=985174/solicitationId=%7BEC26B6F5-5B02-8932-45F4-EAF5DED2DA14%7D/viewSolicitationDocument=1/Terra-Aqua</u>

<u>EAF5DED2DA14%/D/viewSolicitationDocument=1/Terra-Aqua-</u> <u>Aura-Data-Continuity-Workshop-Executive-Summary.pdf</u>

 Specific science teams have also provided more detailed insights. For instance, NASA's Land Discipline Team led a review paper (Román et al., 2024, RSE), which focused on continuity between NASA MODIS Collection 6.1 and VIIRS Collection 2: <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0034425723</u> 005151



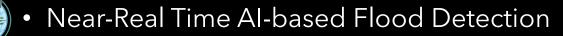


Discussion Points

Discussion Points and Follow-up Actions



- **1. Terra/Aqua/Aura Mission Extensions and Closeout Planning:** Ensuring a smooth transition into Phase F via ongoing calibration, science data support, and algorithm maintenance activities.
- **2. Transition of Experimental NRT Products:** Need to establish a review and approval process for new products.
 - VIIRS Fire Light Detection Algorithm (FILDA-2)
 - MODIS VIIRS Volcano product
 - VIIRS NPP/GPP and Evapotranspiration (ET)



Discussion Points and Follow-up Actions [cont.]



3. Strategy Alignment: LANCE-NRT products and services enable a broad range of science and applications across core programs:

- Earth Action (HARVEST, ACRES, FireSense, Disasters, Water Resources)
- Responsive Science Initiatives

How can we better align LANCE capabilities with NASA's Earth Science to Action strategy?

Approach to NRT continuity: What does "...provide high-quality ^NRT data..." mean? (CJS, 2014 Authorization Act)

[Action: LANCE-UWG Input Requested]