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### Use of the SYN product for estimating key vegetation variables within the context of FLEX

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### Context





• FLEX will measure fluorescence = probe for photosynthetic activity and stress

## • Concurrent characterization of other vegetation properties (LCC, LAI, FAPAR, FVC)

LCC: Leaf Chlorophyll Content FVC: Fractional Vegetation Cover LAI: Leaf Area Index FAPAR: Fraction of Absorbed Photosynthetically Active Radiation

• Vegetation retrieval algorithms developed for FLEX and <u>Sentinel-3</u>, and their synergy



### Hybrid retrieval method

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### Radiative Transfer Model (RTM) SCOPE (v 1.70) (+ bare soil spectra from SYN products)

Machine Learning Algorithm Gaussian Process Regression (GPR)





## Maps of vegetation variables



#### • Models applied to S3 SYN reflectance product (16 OLCI bands)



## **Model** validation

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- Indirect validation using S3 official products : OGVI (~ FAPAR) and OTCI (index related to LCC)
- Validation using field measurements < Hyplant (airborne imaging spectrometer) - FlexSense campaign 2018 near Forschungszentrum Jülich (Germany) : LCC and LAI







FAPAR: Fraction of Absorbed Photosynthetically Active RadiationLCC: Leaf Chlorophyll ContentLAI: Leaf Area IndexOGVI: OLCI Global Vegetation IndexOTCI: OLCI Terrestrial Chlorophyll Index





RGB Map (Red wl:Band<sub>8</sub>, Green wl:Band<sub>6</sub>, Blue wl:Band<sub>4</sub>)



#### SYN product from 28/06/2018





RGB Map (Red wl:Band<sub>8</sub>, Green wl:Band<sub>6</sub>, Blue wl:Band<sub>4</sub>)



#### SYN product from 30/06/2018





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R2:0.58 RMSE:0.12 RRMSE:24.7%

y = -2.74 + 13.3x R2 : 0.41









LCC

(µg.cm-2)

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(665,560,490)



Subset of SYN product from 28/06/2018

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OTCI & OGVI:

homogeneous pixelsheterogeneous pixels

#### OTCI:

too high values for bare soil pixels

OGVI: lower values for green pixels than FAPAR

Cloud contaminated pixels?







### Field campaign data

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HyPlant DualView Dataset from 26/06/2018 - resampled to 16 OLCI bands - 3m spatial resolution





- LCC and LAI measurements
- crops: sugar beet, maize, potato and wheat
- dates: 26/06 29/06/2018
- LCC: SPAD-502Plus Chlorophyll meter (Konika Minolta Inc., Japan) average of 10 upper leafs of 1 plant
- LAI: Li-3200C Area Meter (LI-COR, USA)



## Model validation - 3 m

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/06/2018 - resampled to 16 OLCI bands - 3m spatial resolution LCC = Leaf Chlorophyll Content

LAI = Leaf Area Index

## Model validation - 3 m

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HyPlant DualView Dataset from 26/06/2018 - resampled to 16 OLCI bands - 3m spatial resolution

FAPAR = Fraction of Absorbed Photosynthetically Active Radiation

Map of Estimated FAPAR



FVC = Fractional Vegetation Cover

## Model validation - 300 m

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### Model validation - 3 m

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LCC = Leaf Chlorophyll Content

LAI = Leaf Area Index

CCC = Canopy Chlorophyll Content









### Model validation 300 m

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#### FAPAR (Monthly averaged July 2019)





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### LAI (Monthly averaged July 2019)

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### FVC (Monthly averaged July 2019)





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#### Towards operational prcessing in GEE (4/4) 6TH S3VT SENTINEL-3 VALIDATION TEAM MEETING



### LCC (Monthly averaged July 2019)

N. Spain Mana Map Legend: Retrieved LCC (µg/cm2) from Sentinel 3 OLC 10 20 30 40 50 60

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## **Concluding remarks**

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SYN product clearly improved since last S3VT.
 No longer: → stripping effect, underexposed images < improper radiometric calibration; weird spectra due to SLSTR bands</li>

• **Still** some pixels with incomplete atmospheric correction (near water or clouds) + cloud-contaminated pixels in blue

• OGVI, OTCI: work very well over homogeneous pixels, less good over heterogeneous pixels

RGB Map (Oa8, Oa6, Oa4)



SYN product from 28/06/2018







## **Concluding remarks**

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- Validation of our OLCI vegetation retrieval algorithms:
- $\rightarrow$  LCC and FAPAR products consistent with OTCI/OGVI
- → LCC and LAI products @3m validated with in situ data → upscaled to @300m
- Implementation into GEE for operational processing













# THANK YOU !

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