

Improvement of aerosol retrieval algorithms for GCOM-C/SGLI

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Research issues & publications in FY2021

1. Characterization of aerosols from wildfires

- * Improved algorithms for remote sensing-based aerosol retrieval during extreme biomass burning, *Atmosphere*, 12, 403, 2021, doi:10.3390/atmos12030403.
- * Analysis of aerosols in cloudy scene with satellite GCOM-C, Proc. SPIE 11859, Remote Sensing of Clouds and the Atmosphere XXVI, 118590S, 2021, doi:10.1117/12.2597988.
- * Characterization of aerosols by wildfires in western North America from multi-use of satellite/ground observations and meteorological models, (under review).

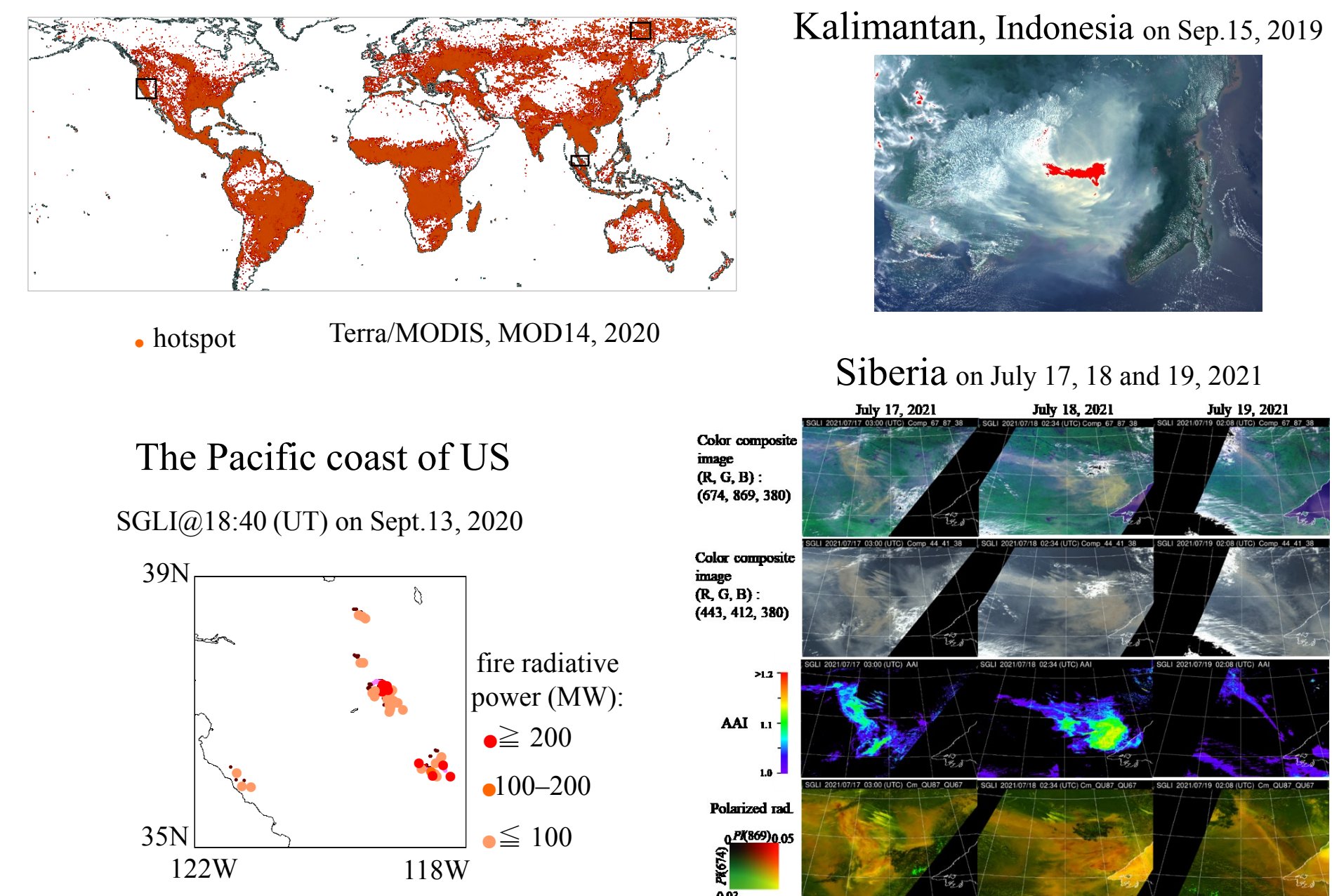
2. AERONET/DRAGON/J-ALPS

- March to May in 2020 Extended until the end of October 2021
- * Characteristics of aerosol distribution in mountainous regions obtained from AERONET/DRAGON/JALPS, Proc. SPIE 11859, Remote Sensing of Clouds and the Atmosphere XXVI, 118590R, doi: 10.1117/12.2597987.
- * エアロゾル集中観測AERONET/J-ALPSを終えて、エアロゾル研究 (査読中) .

3. Development of regional model “SCALE-Chem”

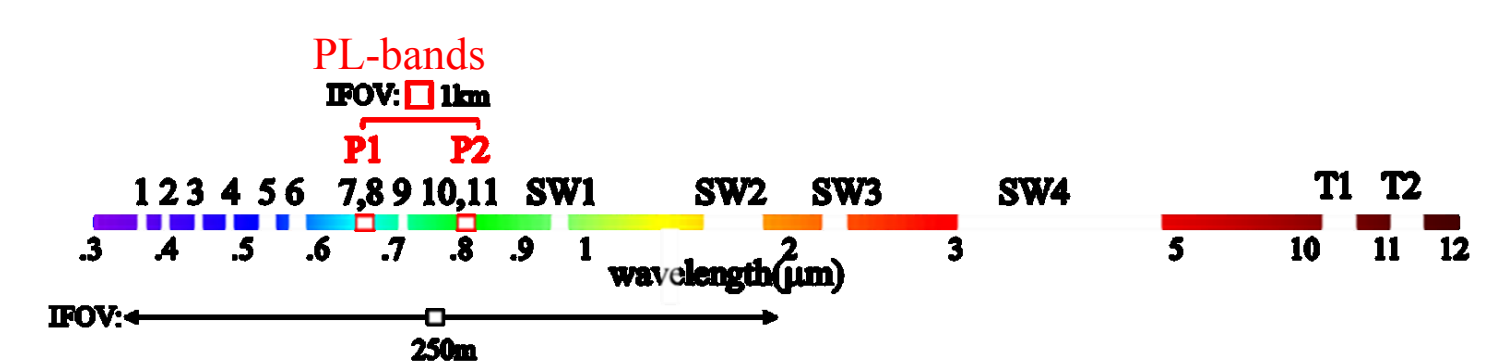
- * Effects of mountains on aerosols determined by AERONET / DRAGON / J-ALPS measurements and regional model simulations, *AGU Advancing Earth and Space Science*, 2021, doi:10.1029/2021EA001972.

1. Characterization of aerosols due to wildfires using SGLI

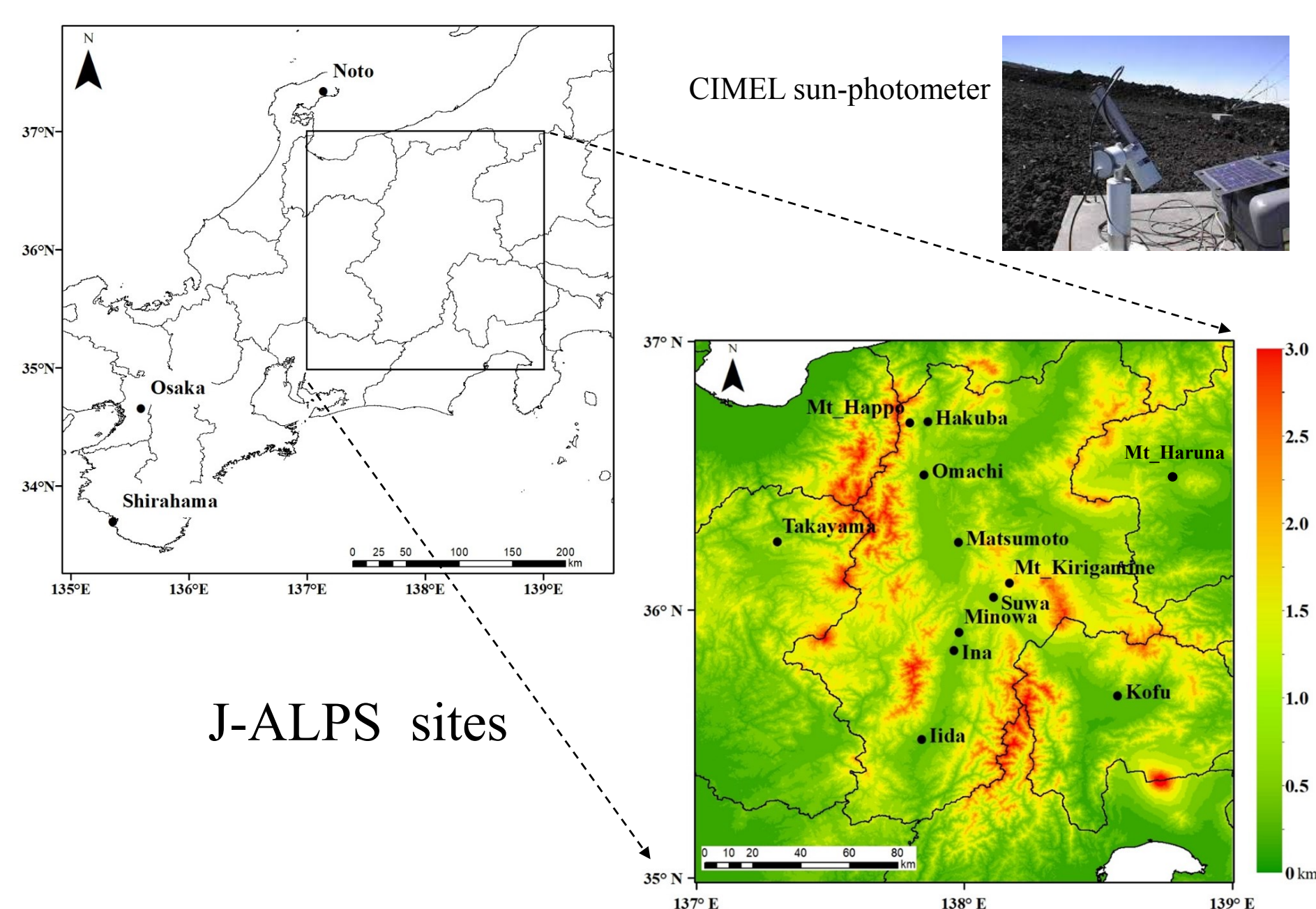


Aerosol retrieval flow for severe wildfires using GCOM-C/SGLI

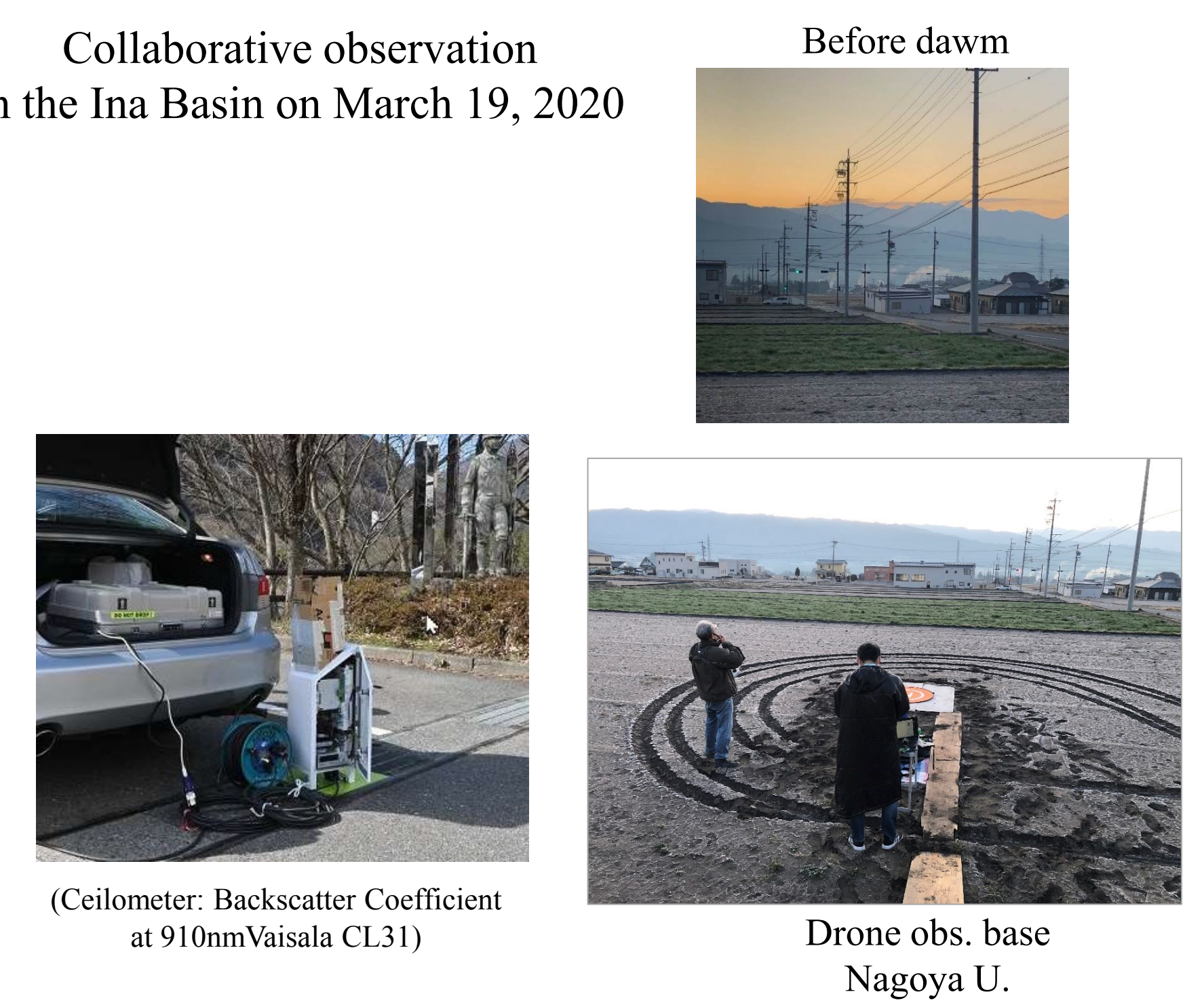
SGLI channels	wavelength (nm)			
	300	400	500	600
available channels	[NUV – NIR]			
	380, 412	443, 530	PL1(674), PL2(869)	
aerosol model	AOT	$\approx \infty$	required solution : AOD(443) & AOD(530)	required solution : AOD(674) & AOD(869)
	aerosol size (f)	required solution : f	required solution : f	required solution : f
	aerosol component: refractive index (g)	required solution : g ₁	required solution : g ₂	required solution : g ₃
RT simulation	Earth surface model	unnecessary	BPDF	BPDF
	Radiative Transfer method	MSOS	Adding doubling (scalar)	Adding doubling (vectors)
	available SGLI data	reflectance	reflectance	polarized reflectance



2. Field campaign AERONET/DRAGON/J-ALPS



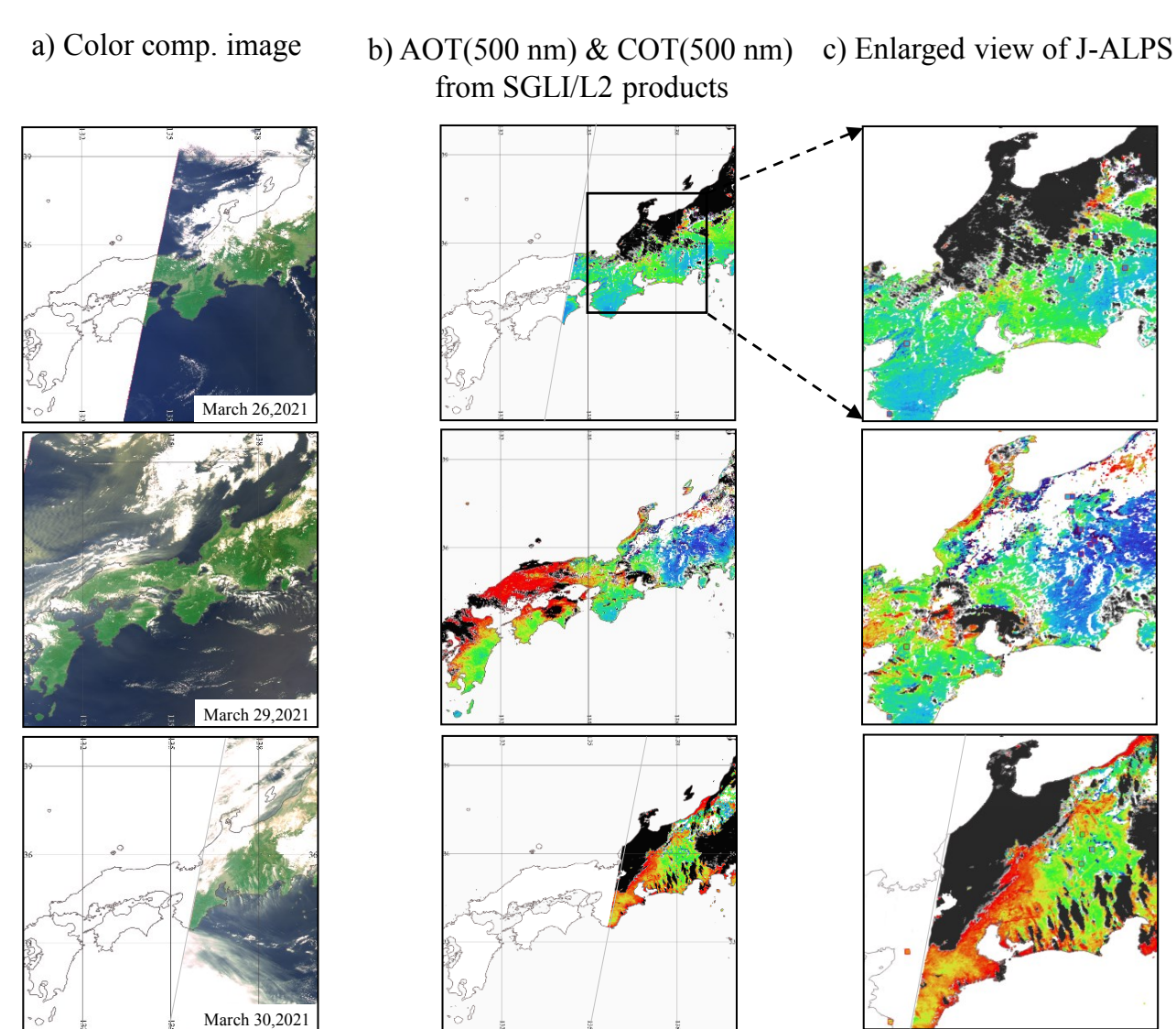
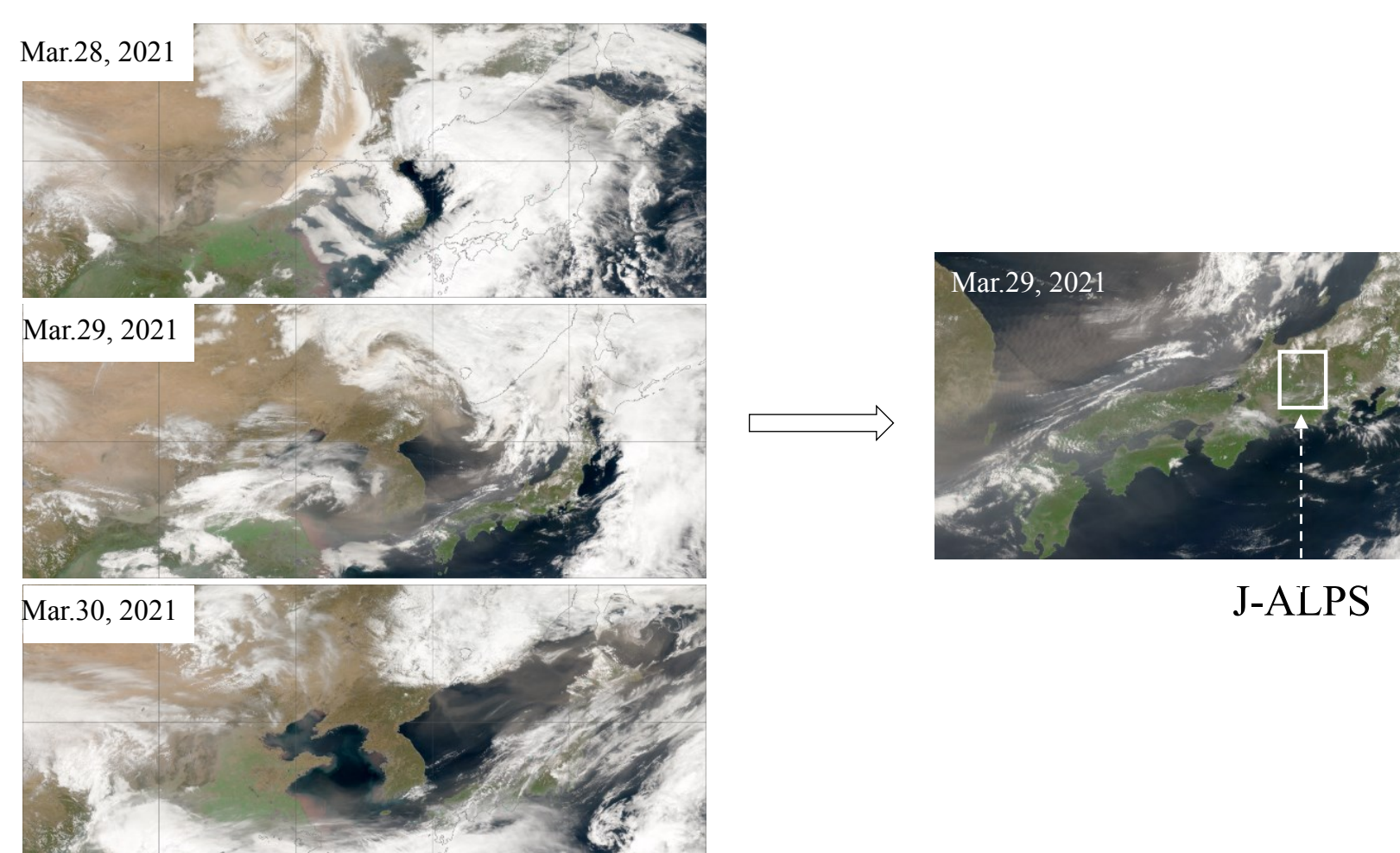
Collaborative observation in the Ina Basin on March 19, 2020



Validation of GCOM-C/SGLI

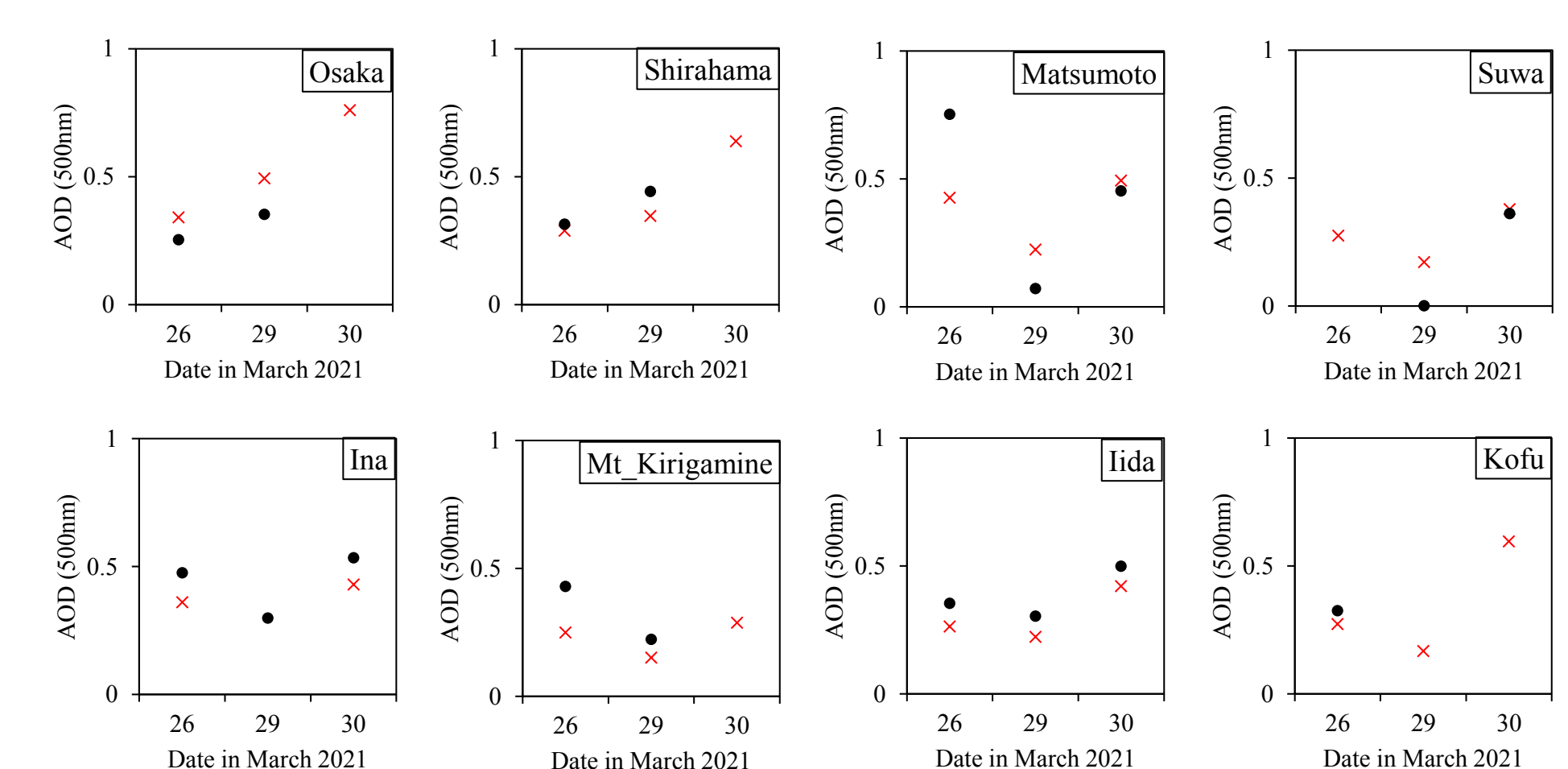
It is worth noting that fine resolution images from SGLI are available to validate the ground-based measurements, and vice versa.

Dust events in spring, 2021



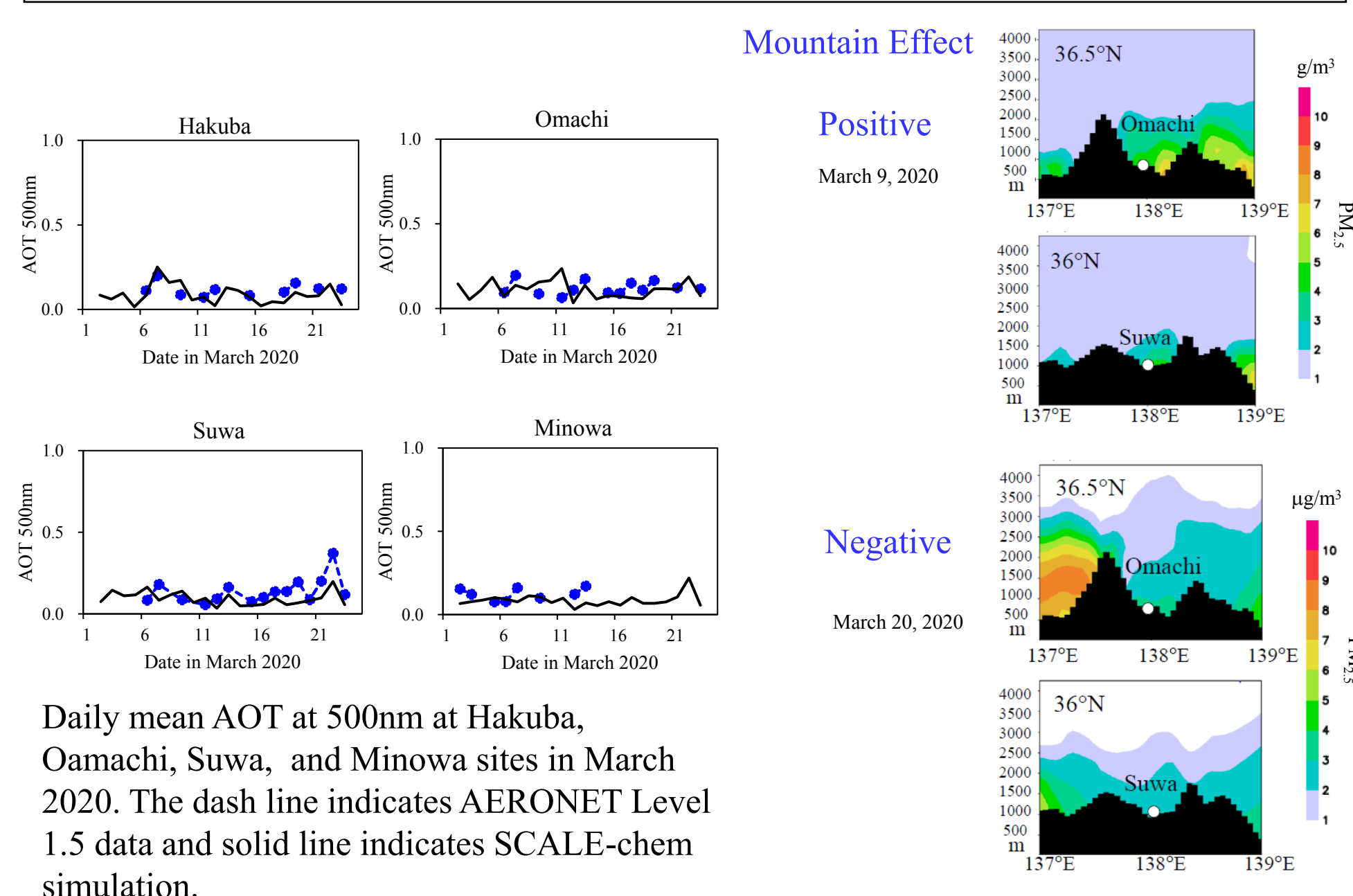
(a) Color composite image, (b) AOT at 500nm and COT at 500nm derived from SGLI/L2 products and (c) Enlarged view of J-ALPS derived by SGLI, where the small squares denote J-ALPS/AERONET/AOT(500nm).

Inter-comparison of AOT(500nm) values observed with SGLI(●) and J-ALPS/AERONET sites (×)



Inter-comparison of AOT(500nm) values observed with SGLI(●) and J-ALPS /AERONET sites (×) . Note that AERONET/AOT is the average of the 30 minutes before and after the satellite pass.

3. Regional model “SCALE-Chem”



Future Outlook

1. Operation of the current SGLI in step-and-stare mode in limited airspace during DSS, large forest fires, and severe PM, if possible.
2. Development and operation of an SGLI-like future instrument equipped with multi-directional observation, polarized multi-channel (particularly in UV and SWIR), and including the “step-and-stare” mode.

Polarization Advertisement

The key advantage of the polarimetry in the remote sensing of aerosols over land surfaces is the ability to systematically correct for the ground contribution. Stokes parameters (I , Q , U , V) provide such several kinds of information at a wavelength λ as radiance, polarized radiance and degree of polarization.

