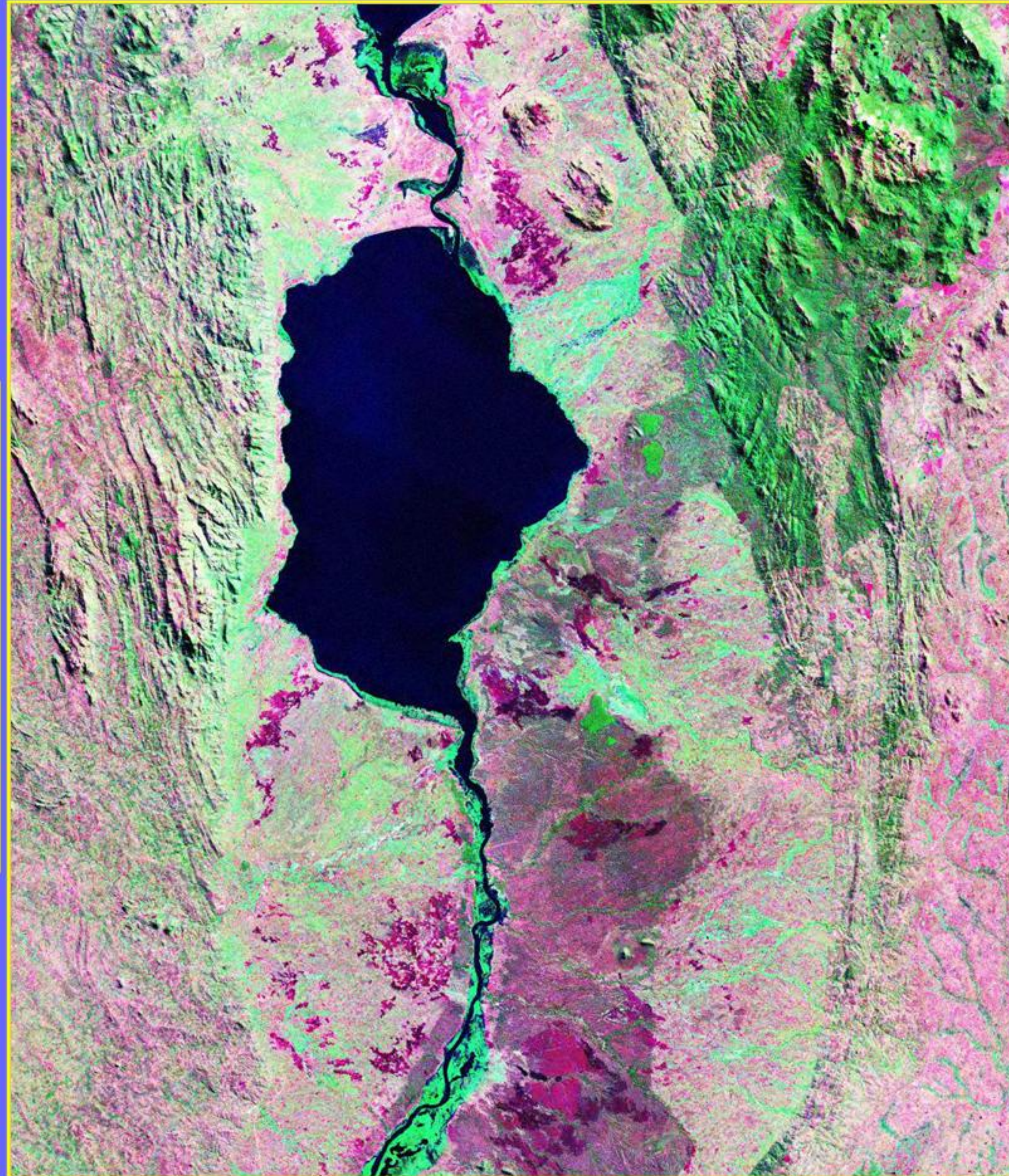


Africa SAR imagery (100m vs. Landsat)

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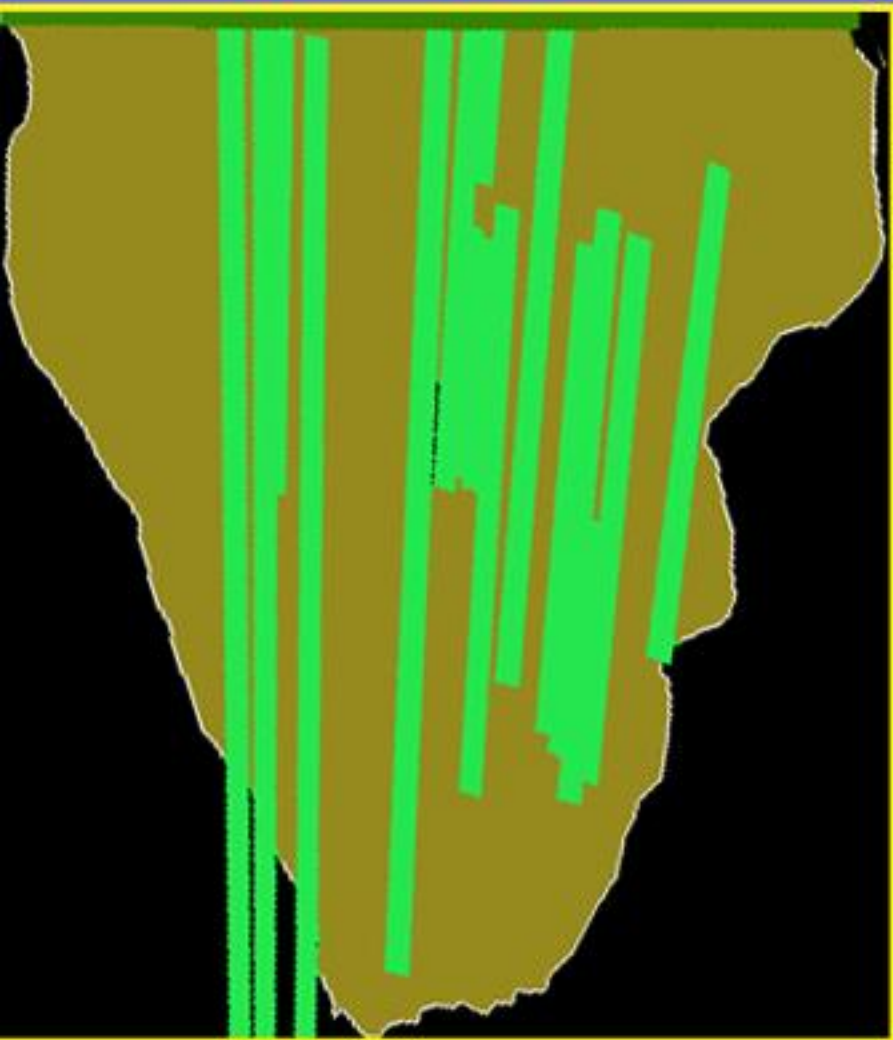
Landsat 7-4-2 Geocover



JERS-1 SAR November 29, 1995
(14.5S, 35E)



Current coverage

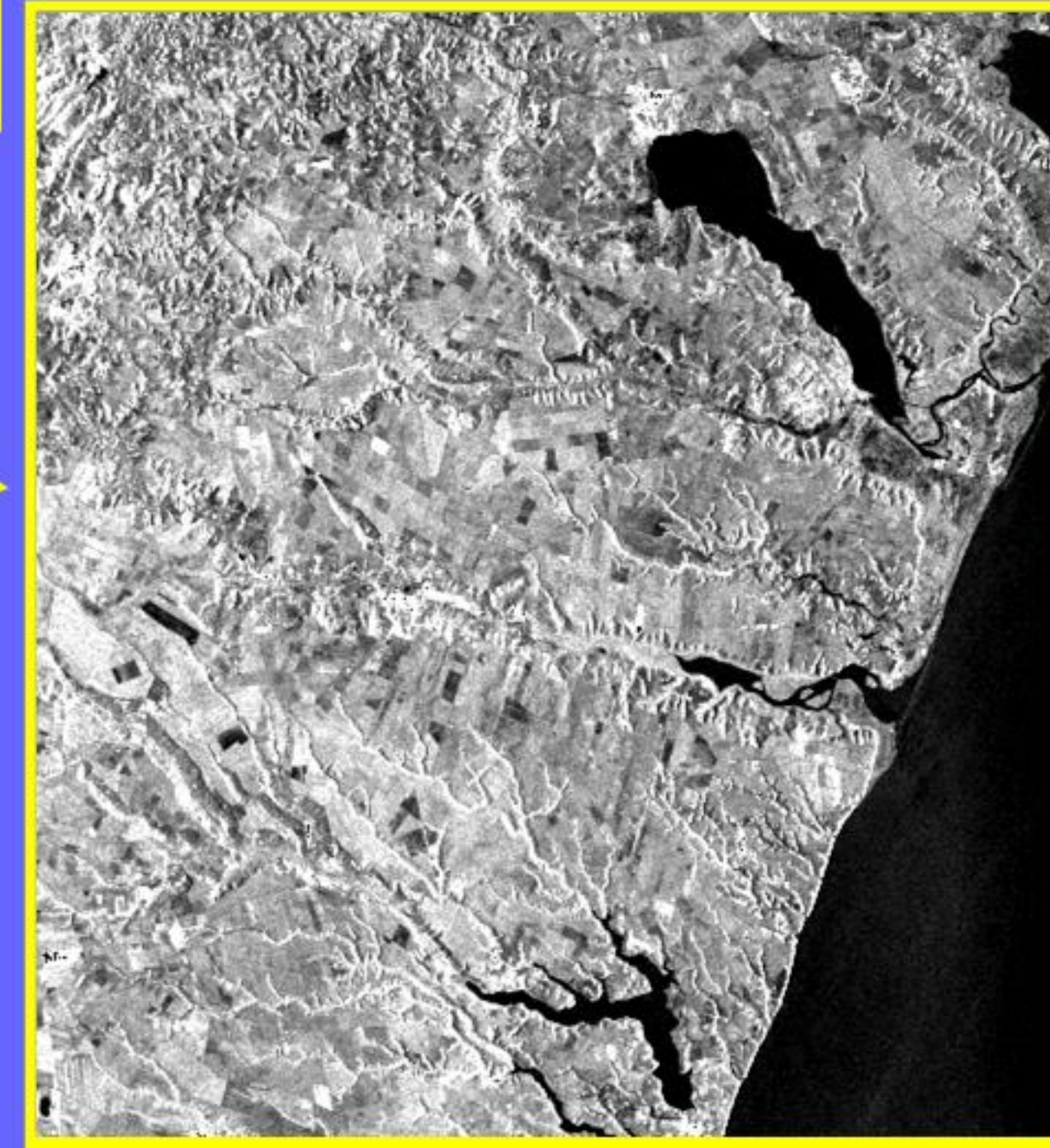
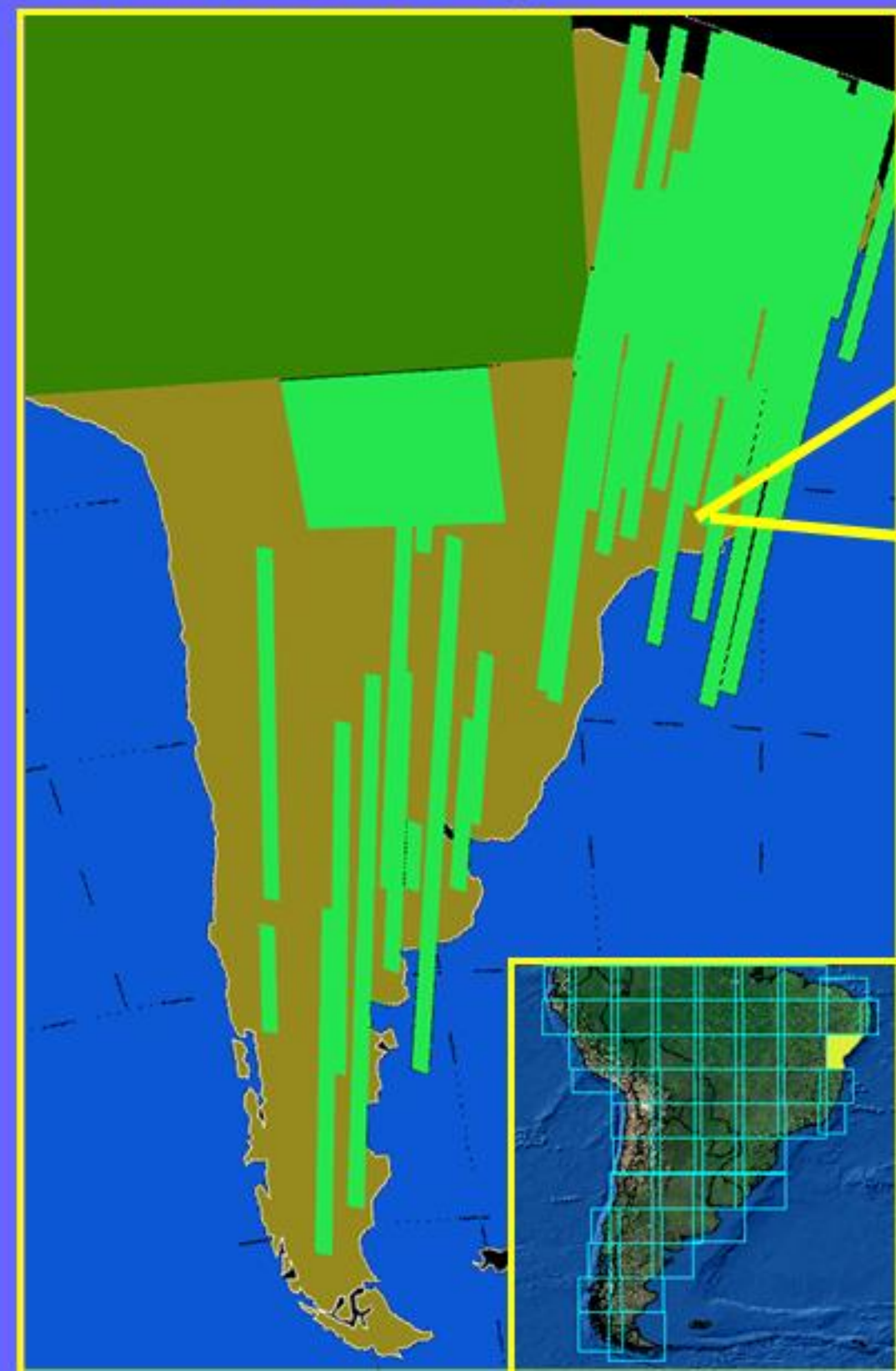


South America SAR imagery (100m vs Landsat)



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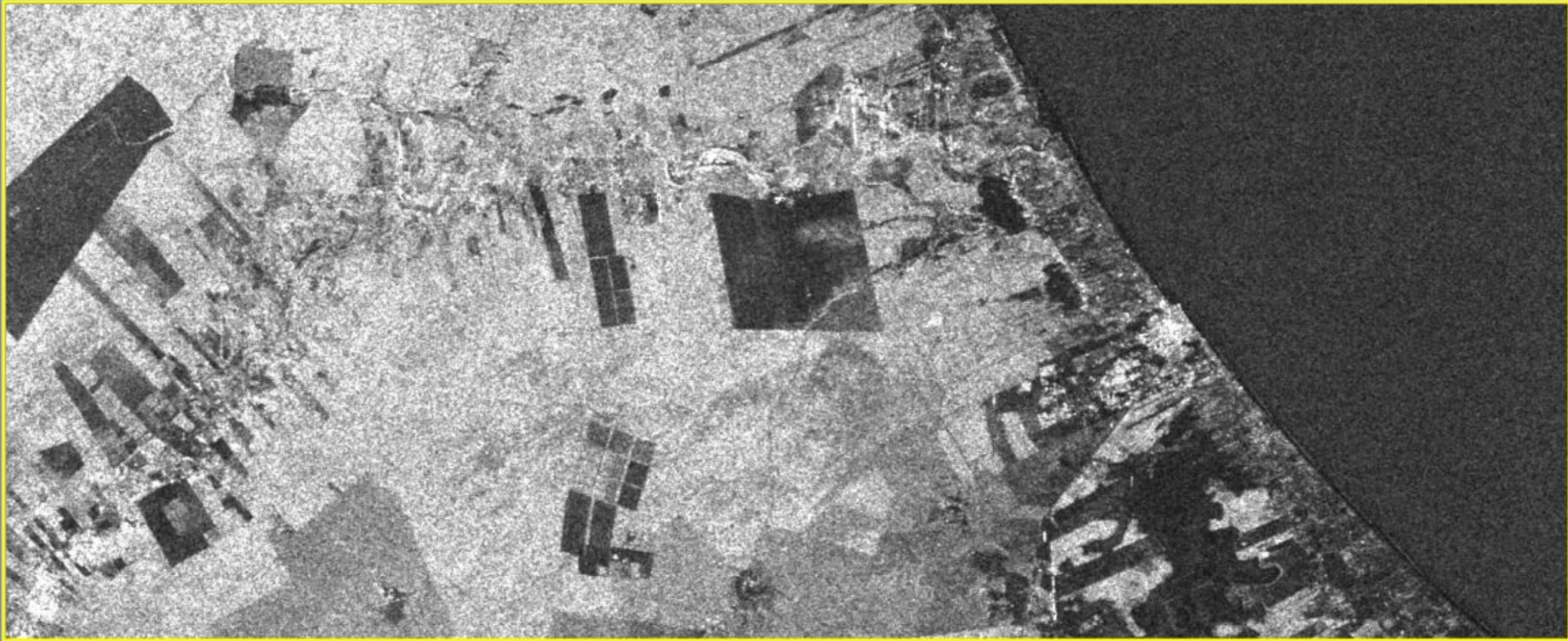
Current coverage



JERS-1 SAR June 7 1995
(-10S, 36 W)

South America SAR imagery

Full Resolution Comparisons with Landsat



JERS-1 SAR November 16, 1993 (-5 deg lat, -37 deg lon), 25 meter resolution

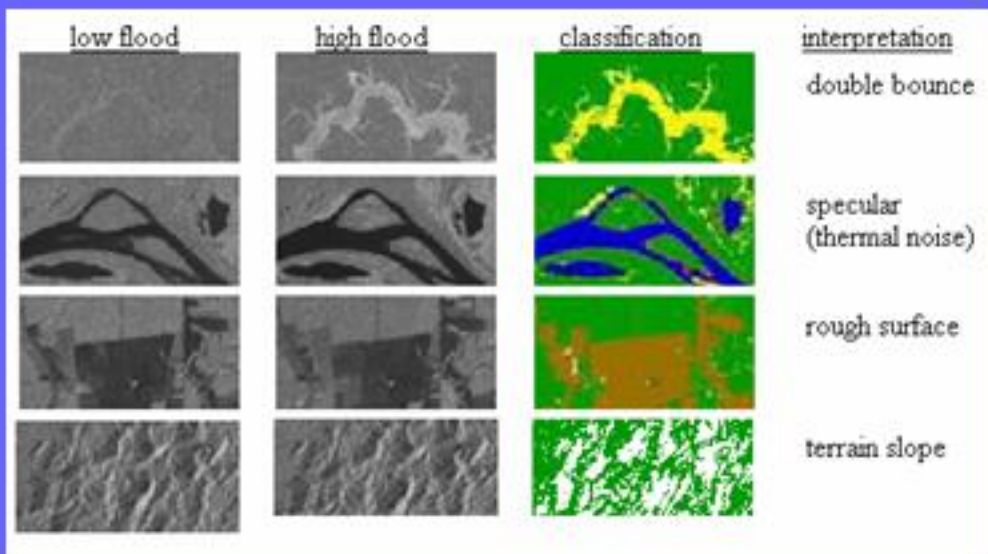


Landsat 7-4-2 S-24-00 GeoCover product. (~1987-1993),
28.5 meter resolution

Classification of the SAR Data

Comparison between radar and derived classes for 1996 and those derived from Landsat data during 1988 (Skole and Tucker, 1993). Highlighted regions in the table indicate those states of the legal Amazon where data coverage was missing more than 10% of the total area, either due to the region being outside of the data collection mask (radar) or due to cloud cover (Landsat). With the newly processed imagery, these gaps plus data from other regions will be filled.

State	Total Area	Radar Data (1996)				Landsat Data (1988)			
		Water	Forest	Low Veg	No Data	Water	Forest	Low Veg	Clouded
Acre	153,180	21	147,697	5,433	0	393	146,025	6,369	0
Amapá	139,506	1,734	128,035	7,872	1,372	1,188	137,234	1,188	53,566
Amazonas	1,561,802	29,063	1,493,350	31,510	7,447	29,942	1,519,309	26,192	94,058
Maranhão	333,365	0	0	0	333,365	1,344	113,814	146,627	13,444
Mato Grosso	917,626	10,041	467,527	74,900	365,082	4,212	480,002	416,226	8,630
Pará	1,238,710	28,643	1,005,616	48,196	154,492	49,522	1,088,496	123,712	56,807
Rondonia	239,170	1,124	214,489	22,791	0	1,462	188,216	48,602	474
Roraima	223,984	6,988	181,232	35,365	0	1,817	170,517	53,372	15,232
Toçantins	286,706	0	0	0	286,706	2,914	18,894	255,436	0
Total	5,094,049	77,613	3,637,946	226,066	1,148,465	92,794	3,862,507	1,077,724	242,211



ALOS Kyoto and Carbon Initiative

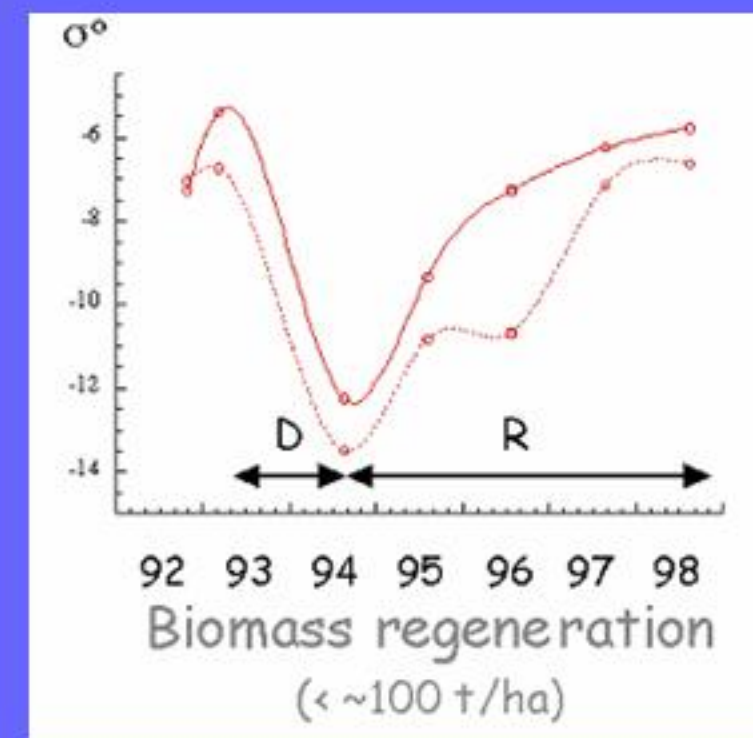
The ALOS K&C Initiative is being led by Ake Rosenqvist of the NASDA EORC. The objectives, primarily relating to the polarimetric SAR data from the PALSAR sensor, are:

- spatially and temporally consistent data sets
- at high spatial resolution,
- with adequate temporal revisit frequency,
- for all land areas on the Earth,
- during the life-time of the satellite.

The international Science Advisory Panel has been set up to

- Review the scientific relevance in the project design
 - Project objectives (1st K&C Panel)
 - Optimal acquisition modes (1st K&C Panel)
 - Data acquisition strategy (1st, 2nd & 3rd K&C Panel)
 - Assure alignment with significant international initiatives (e.g. GTOS/TCO, GOFD/GOLD) (1st, 2nd & 3rd K&C Panel)

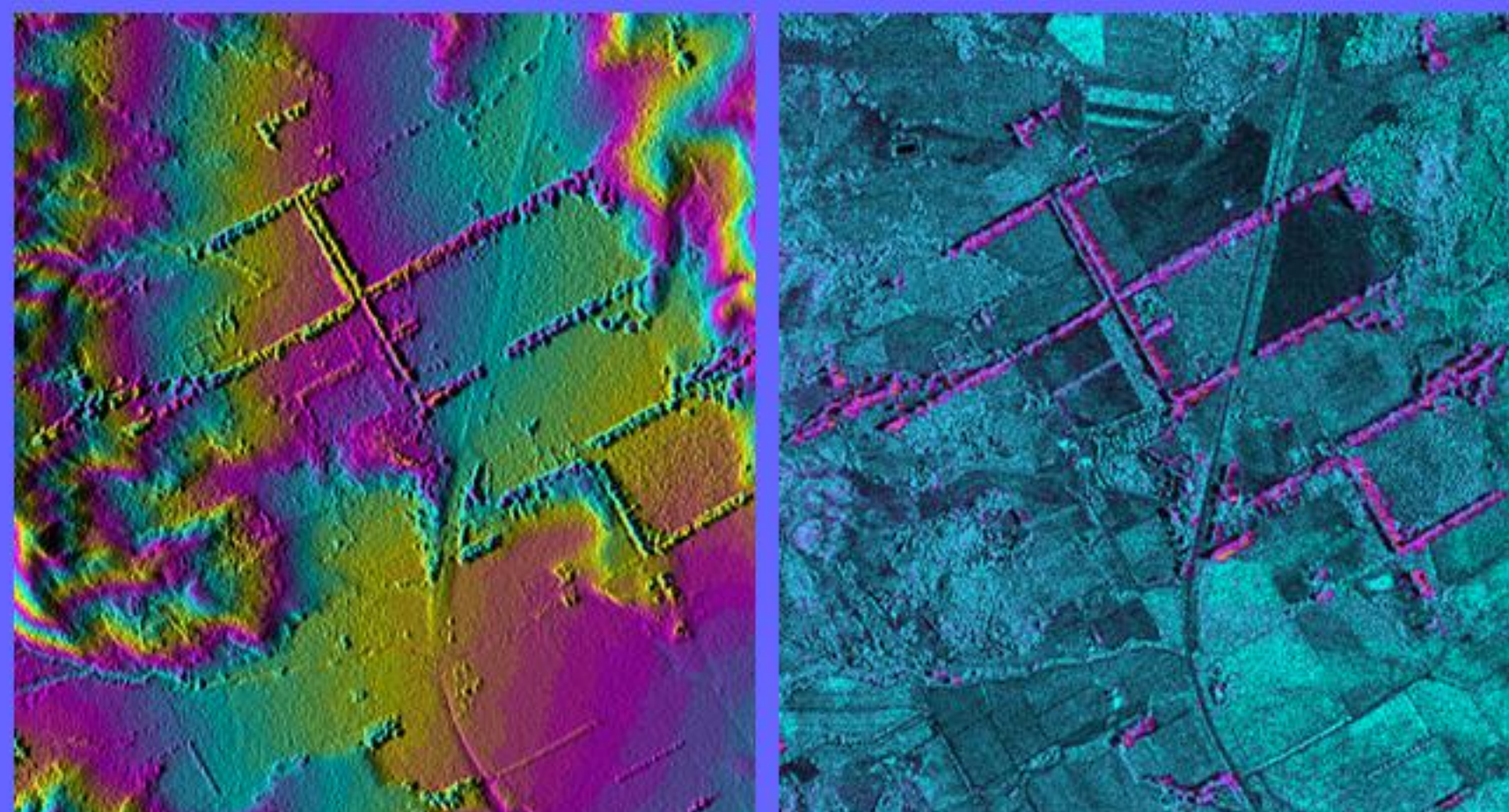
- Advice on product definition and product generation (2nd & 3rd K&C Panels);



Incremental Biomass change using JERS-SAR (A. Rosenqvist)

Proposed AIRSAR experiments relevant to future efforts to systematically monitor forest cover

- ECOSAR03
 - Based out of Costa Rica and Puerto Rico
 - May 2003?
 - In conjunction with GEOSAR deployment
 - X,C,L,P band interferometry data
 - 4 frequencies
 - C,L,P polarimetric data
 - Repeat pass interferometry experiments
- Pole to Pole mission
 - extensive coverage possible from the rocky mountain range through the Andes and possibly SE Asia
 - Coincides with validation period for ALOS PALSAR



DEM from interferometry, correlation map (Siqueira, 2002)