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Atmospheric correction for the full spectrum of optical water types

Efforts towards best Ocean Colour products for the Baltic Sea

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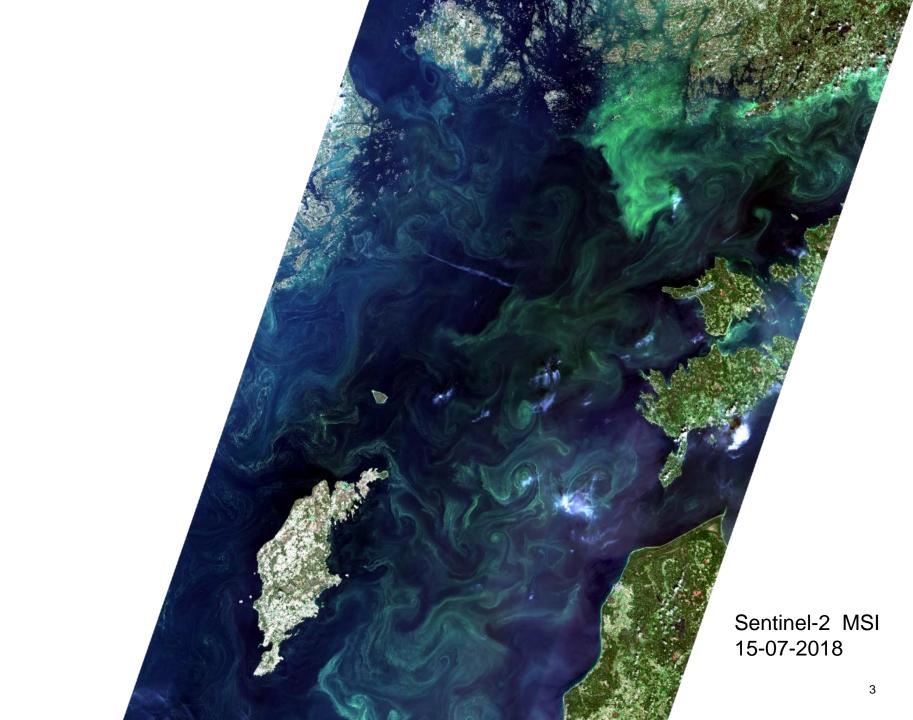
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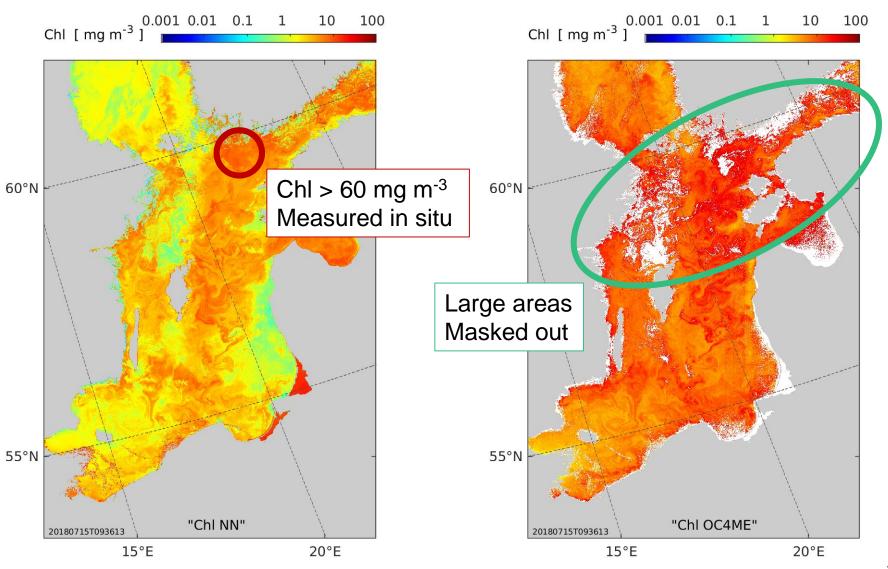
- Accuracy requirements of Ocean Colour Essential Climate Variables for open sea
 - Remote Sensing Reflectance \rightarrow 5 % (blue-green bands)
 - Chlorophyll concentration \rightarrow 30 %
- Particular challenges of the Baltic Sea
 - Relatively high concentrations of CDOM \rightarrow dark waters
 - Massive algae blooms (possibly cyanobacteria) often with floating scum
- Particular objectives for the Baltic
 - Identification of high biomass and floating algae



Sentinel-3 OLCI Level-2 chlorophyll products

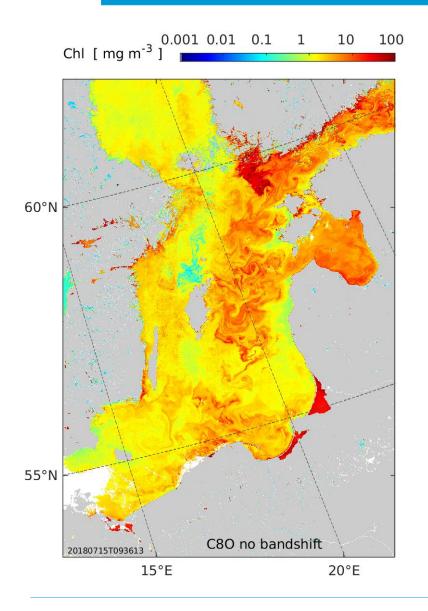
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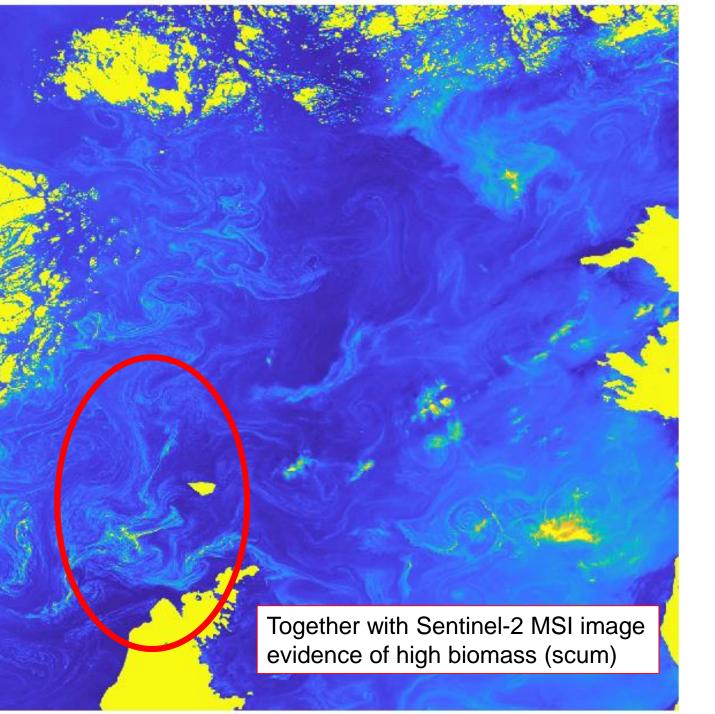
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Chlorophyll from ONNS (like in CMEMS)

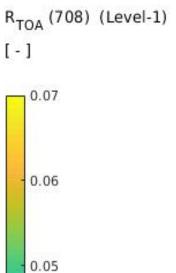


- OLCI Neural Network Swarm algorithm
- Application of Optical Water Type
 classification with specialized NNs
- Delivers diverse ocean colour products
 like IOPs and concentrations
- Depending on atmospheric correction
- Up to now AC for ONNS is based on C2R (similar as for "Chl_NN")

Hieronymi, M., Müller, D., & Doerffer, R. (2017). The OLCI Neural Network Swarm (ONNS): A bio-geo-optical algorithm for open ocean and coastal waters. *Frontiers in Marine Science*, *4*, 140.



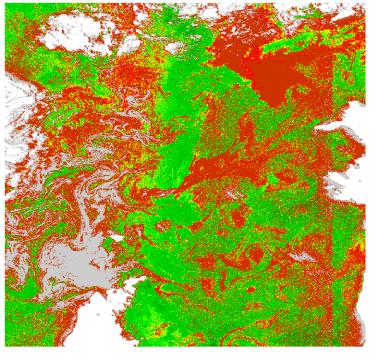
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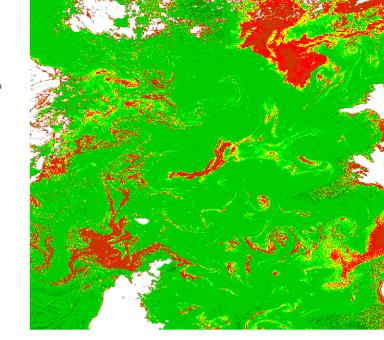


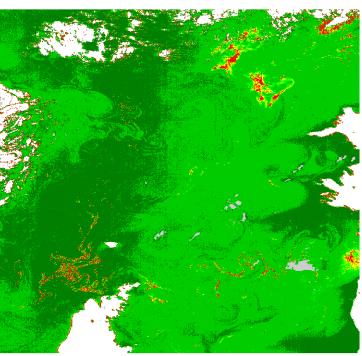


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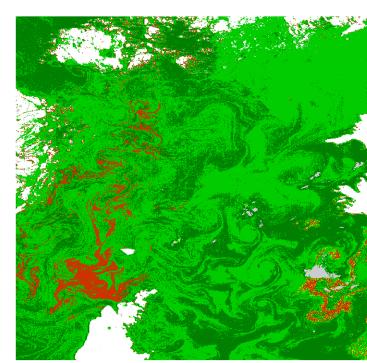




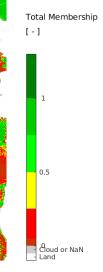
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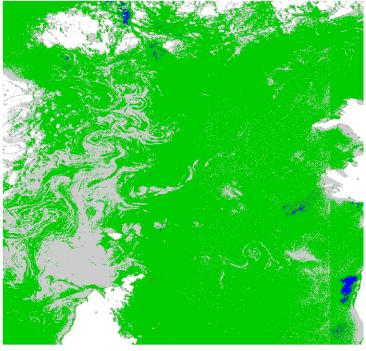


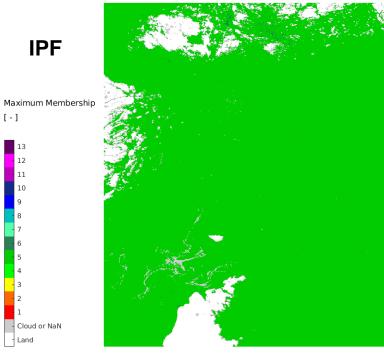
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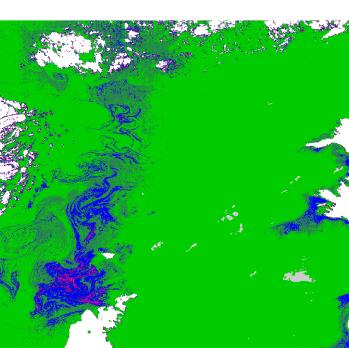
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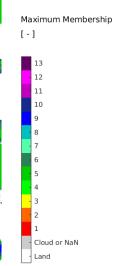


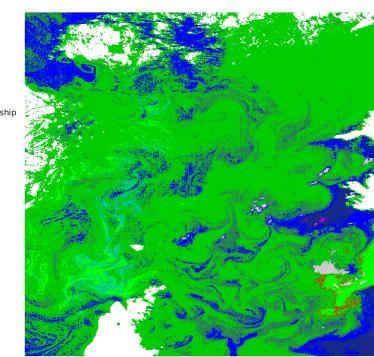






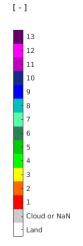
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Maximum Membership



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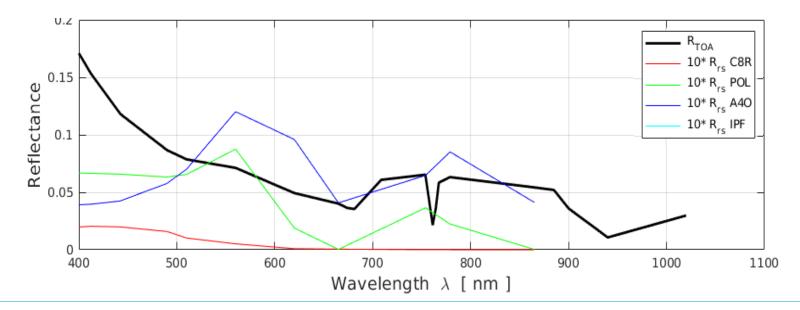
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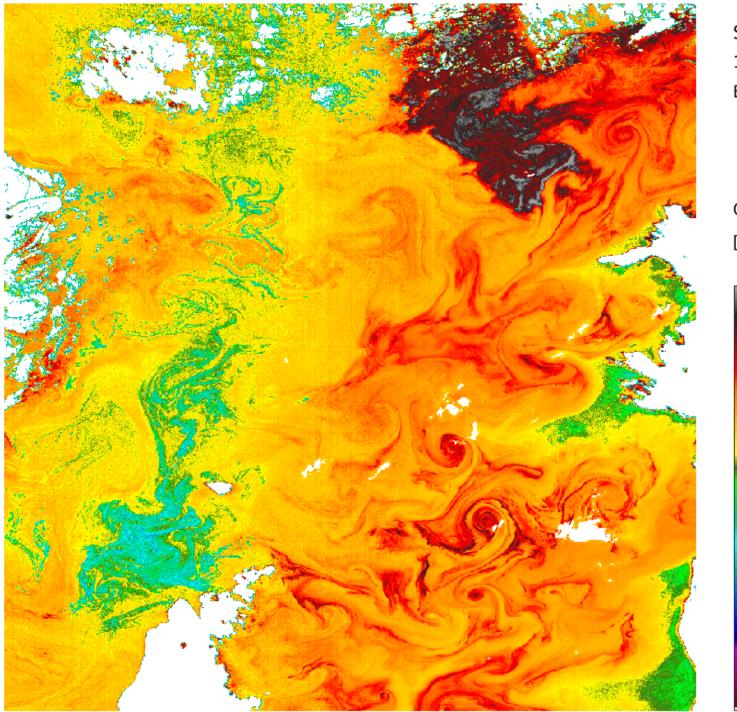
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AC Issues with Floating Algae or High Biomass

- IPF \rightarrow delivers no data
- C2R out of scope \rightarrow Case-1 spectrum \rightarrow low Chlorophyll
- POLYMER provides partly implausible shape
- That's why we are developing a novel AC for ONNS (prototype A4O)
 - provides correct OWT \rightarrow high Chlorophyll
 - Provides generally high OWT diversity





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Chl (ONNS, C8R) [mg m⁻³]

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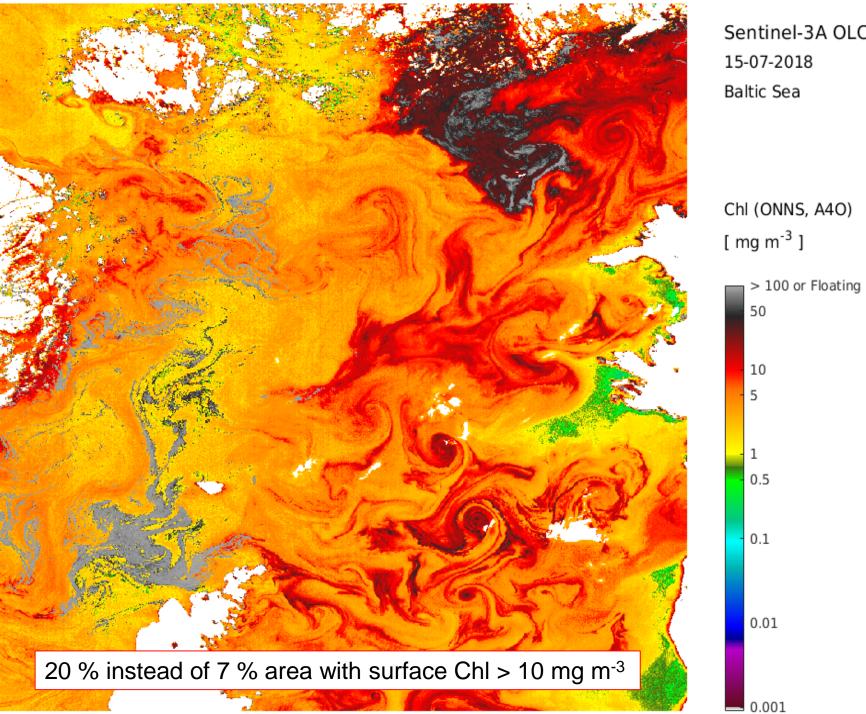
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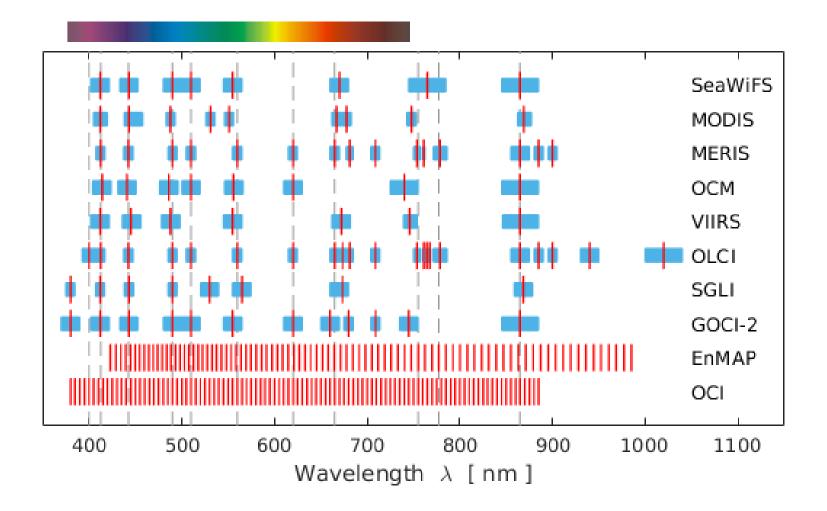


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Chl (ONNS, A4O) [mg m⁻³]

Spectral Synergy of OC Missions with ONNS

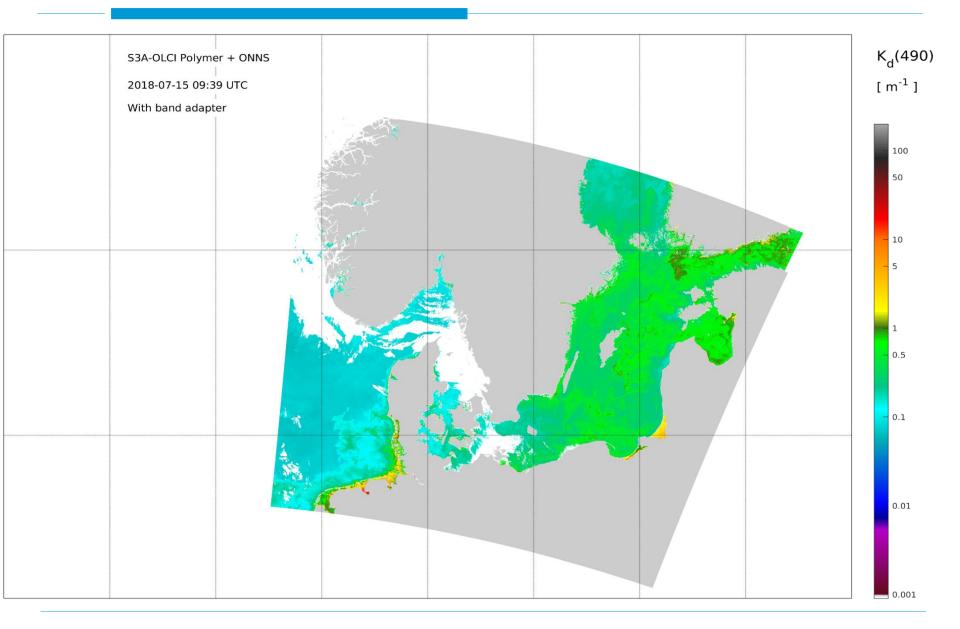
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Hieronymi, M. (2019). Spectral band adaptation of ocean color sensors for applicability of the multi-water biogeo-optical algorithm ONNS. *Optics Express*, *27*(12), A707-A724.

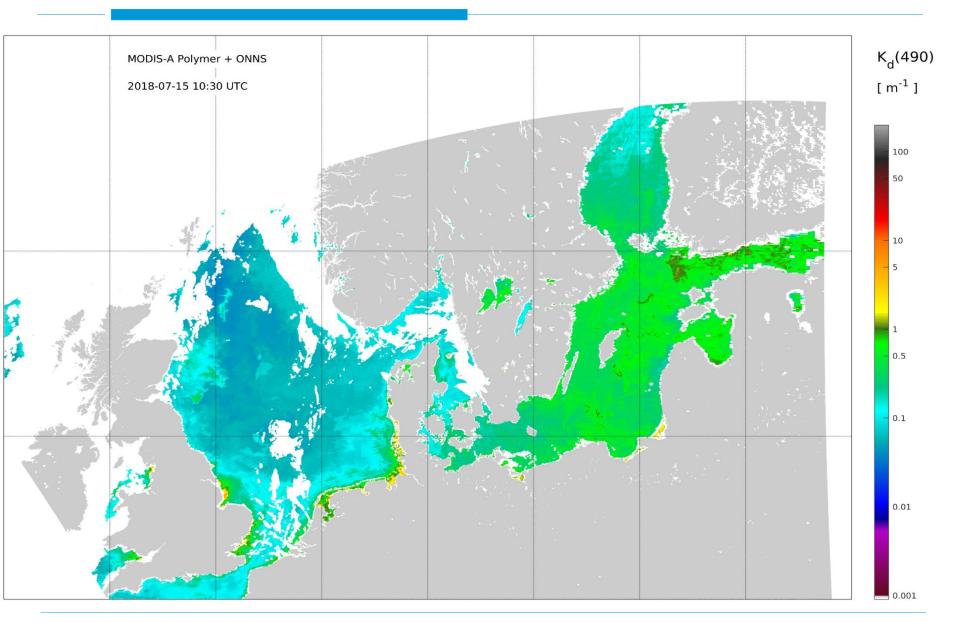
ONNS applicable to OLCI

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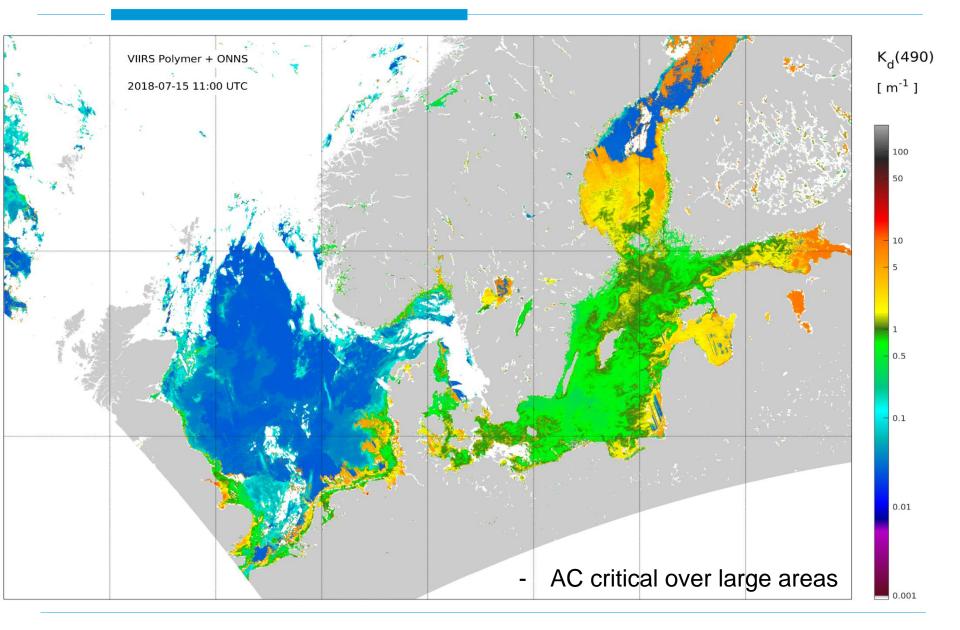
ONNS applicable to MODIS

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ONNS applicable to VIIRS

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ONNS Available via EnMAP-Box

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OLCI Neural Network Swarm (ONNS)

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Parameters	Log		
Input			
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Sensor			
OLCI (Ocean a	and Land Colour Instrument, Europe)		\sim
Band shifting			
No band shifting			~
Atmospheric co	prrection		
C2R			~
Processor outp	ut size		
Standard output			~
Output Folder			
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OLCI Neural Network Swarm (ONNS)

ONNS is a bio-geo-optical algorithm for the retrieval of water quality parameters from satellite imagery or in situ radiometric measurements [Hieronymi et al., 2017].

Input

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The algorithm processes atmospherically corrected satellite data in NETCDF4 format.

Sensor

The algorithm has been designed for data processing from the Ocean and Land Colour Instrument (OLCI) onboard Sentinel-3. However, data input from other historical, current and future ocean colour sensor is possible too, e.g. from SeaWiFS, MODIS, MERIS, VIIRS, EnMAP or PACE.

Band-shifting

The algorithm requires input at 11 OLCI bands, namely remote-sensing reflectances at 400, 412.5, 442.5, 490, 510, 560, 620, 665, 755, 777.5 and 865 nm. A spectral band-shifting procedure is implemented, which allows exploitation of atmospherically corrected input from other ocean colour missions too [Hieronymi, 2019]. In case of OLCI data, one has three options: no band-shifting or replacing reflectance input at only one or all spectral bands, e.g. in case of faulty atmospheric correction. In case of MERIS, options 2 and 3 are allowed. Complete bandshifting (option 3) must be applied for all other sensors.

Atmospheric correction

Results of the previously calculated atmospheric correction may vary significantly depending on the water type, which transfers to the ONNS products. For OLCI, three atmospheric correction methods are applicable, namely the "C2R" (Case-2 Regional, standard method for ONNS application) by [Brockmann et al., 2016], "Polymer" by [Steinmetz et al., 2011] and the standard Level-2 product "IPF". For the other sensors, only "Polymer" is usable.

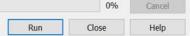
Processor output size

The minimum output contains 12 ocean colour products with an estimate of their associated uncertainties, e.g. concentrations of chlorophyll and suspended matter as well as different optical water properties. The standard output contains additional derived properties and the input remote-sensing reflectances. In addition, excessive information on optical water type classification can be stored.

Output Folder

Specify where to save the output.

Run as Batch Process...



- Novel Atmospheric Correction for OWT-based algorithms under development
 - Neural Network based like C2R
 - Used temperature and wind speed as input and delivers normalized Rrs
 - Optimized to fulfil the requirements of ONNS for all water types
 - Results for bright pixel, very high biomass and floating algae promising
- Future works
 - Known issues with particulate scattering properties need revision
 - Phytoplankton group detection
 - All-OWT-embracing validation needed
 - Uncertainties must include atmospheric corrections