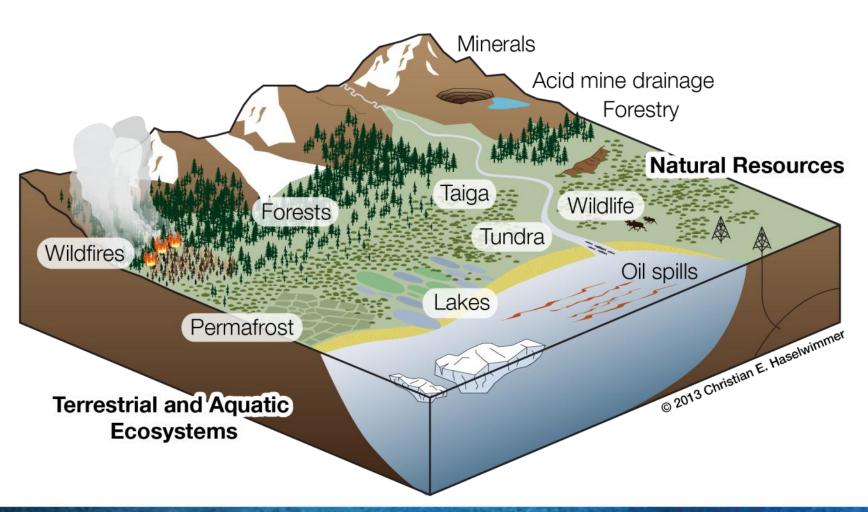


# Remote Sensing for Arctic Oil Spill Research

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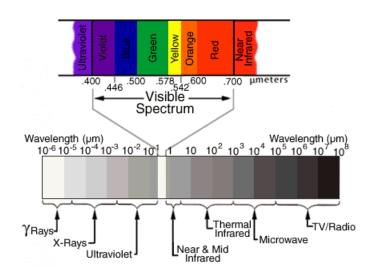
#### **Arctic Ecosystems**





## Oil Sensing Sensors

- Visible
- Infrared
- Ultraviolet
- Fluorosensors
- Radar (land-based; GPR)
- SAR
- Hyperspectral
- Multibeam Sonar







## Spaceborne vs. Airborne

- Repeat Coverage
- Wide Swath
- Coarse resolution
- Weather Independent
- Long-term deployment



- Discrete Flight Lines
- Narrow Swath
- Fine resolution
- Weather Dependent
- Short-term deployment





## **UAF Remote Sensing Assets**

- Alaska Satellite Facility (ASF)
- Geographical Information Network of Alaska (GINA)
- UAF Hyperspectral Imaging Lab (HyLab)
- Alaska Center for Unmanned Aerial Systems Integration (ACUASI)
- Underwater (future under ice) \*
- Shore-based: radar, optical

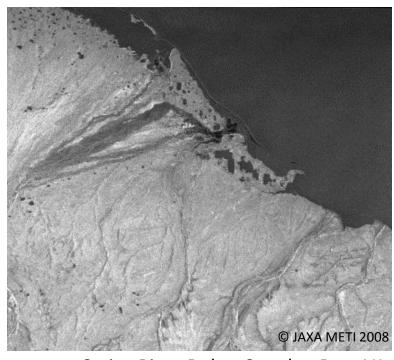


## Alaska Satellite Facility (ASF)

#### Global Data and Services

Dr. Nettie La Belle-Hamer, Director Scott Arko, Deputy Director

- Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR), PRISM, AVNIR
- Software tools
- Satellite ground station
- Historical aerial photography
- Vertex

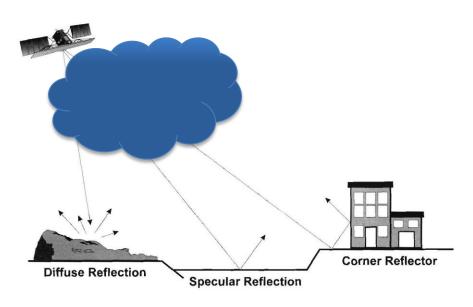


Stains River Delta, Camden Bay, AK ALOS PALSAR, September, 2008



## SAR Benefits in Oil Spill Scenario

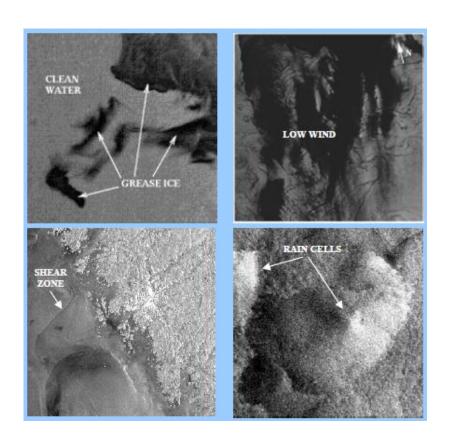
All weather
Day/night
Coverage
Data Fusion



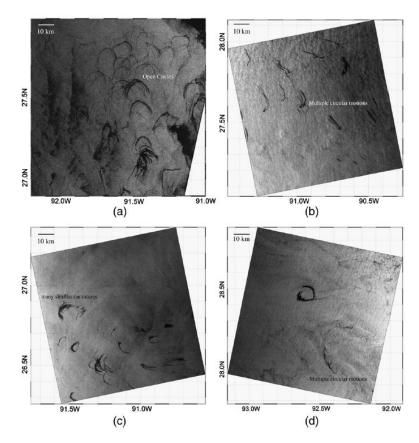




### Is It or Is it Not Oil?

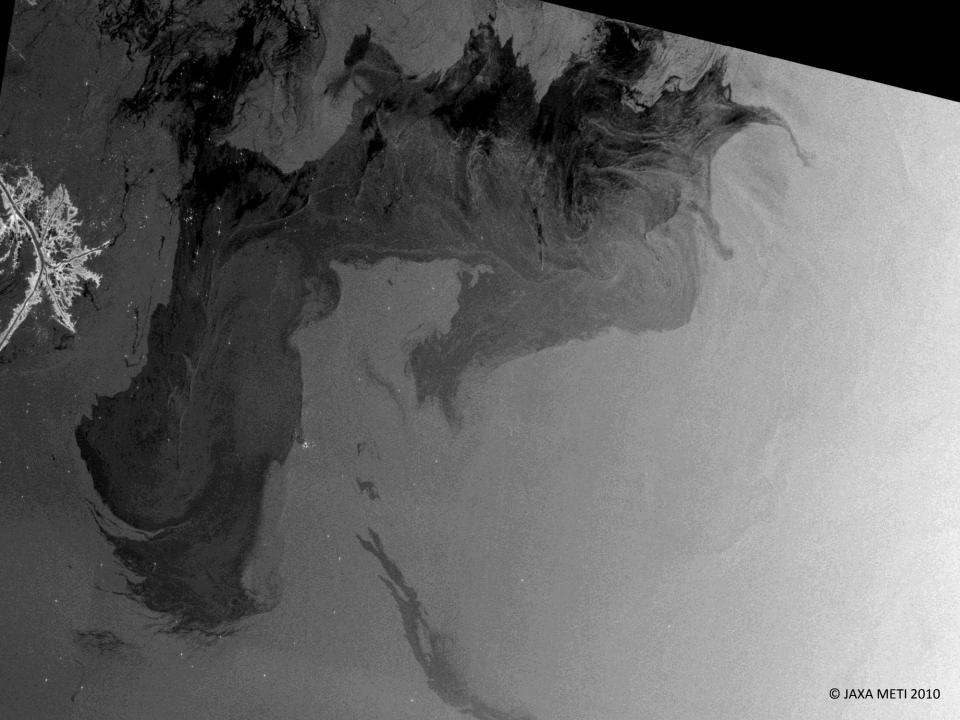


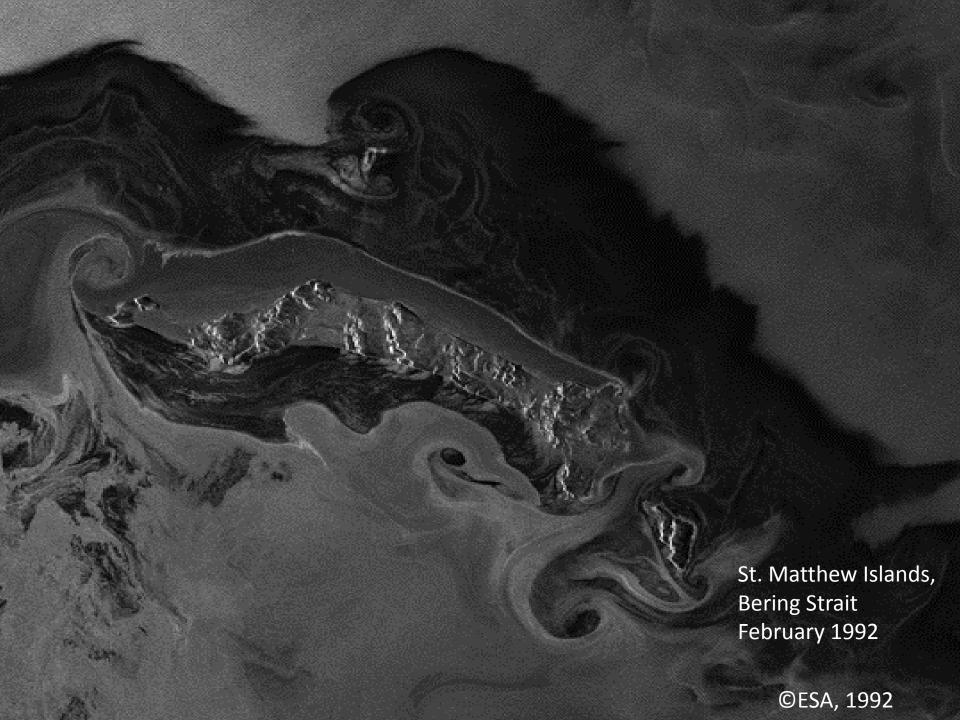
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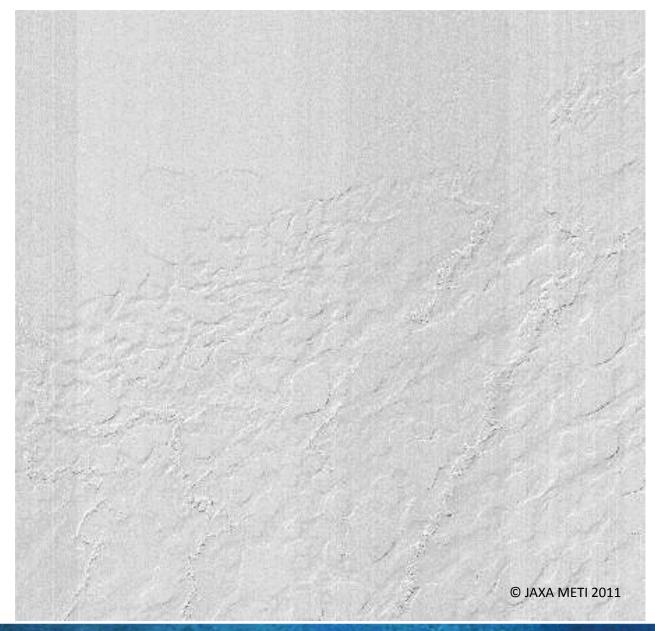


RADARSAT-1 images of oil seepage in the Gulf of Mexico. Li et al., 2013



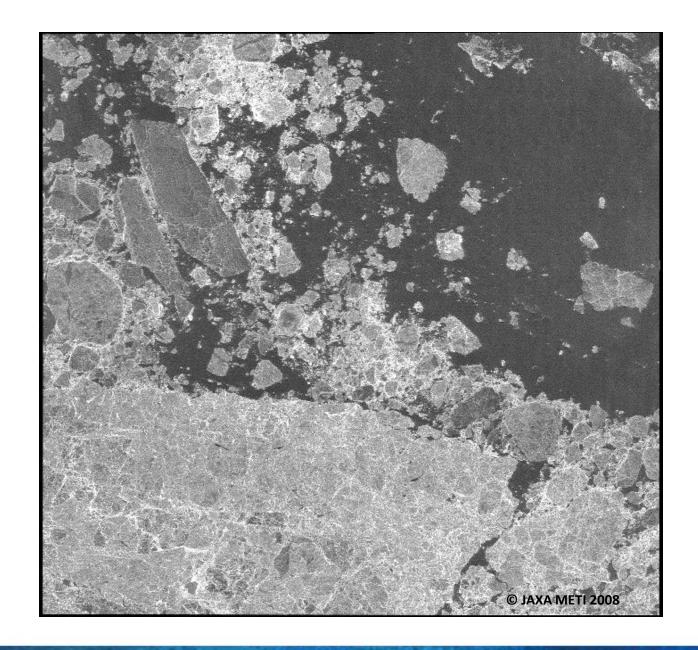












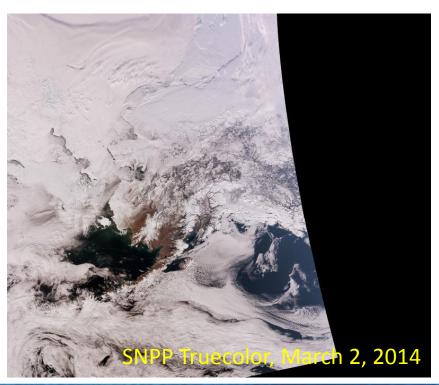


# Geographic Information Network of Alaska (GINA)

Data and Services focused on Alaska

Tom Heinrichs, Director Dayne Broderson, Technical Services Manager

- Near-Real Time Data
  - MODIS
  - AVHRR
  - VIIRS on Suomi NPP
- Puffin Feeder





#### **GINA**

#### Partnerships and Projects

- Statewide Digital Mapping Initiative (SDMI)
  - project completion 2014
  - 2.5 m Orthorectified SPOT-5 basemap
  - DEMs, topographic maps, NOAA charts
- Satellite receiving station
- North Slope Science Catalog
- SwathViewer



### **UAF HyLab**

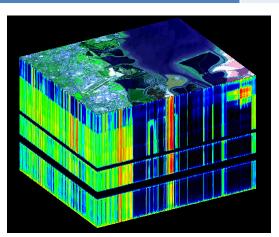
#### Partnerships and Services

Dr. Anupma Prakash & Dr. Don Hampton

- UAF Hyperspectral Imaging Lab
- Hyperspectral sensor (HySpex)
- Airborne HS data will allow upscaling, providing intermediate scale between field and MODIS scale.



Manufacturer	NEO / HySpex	
Model	VNIR-1600	SWIR-384
Spectral range (nm)	400 - 1000	930 - 2500
No of bands	160	288
Radiometric resolution	12 bit	14 bit
Spectral sampling (nm)	3.7	6
Spatial pixels	1600	384
SNR (peak)	250:1	500:1
Dimensions (lwh in cm)	29 x 14 x 36	
Approx weight for system (kg)	20	
Power consumption (W)	160	





Source: Virtual Outcrop Geology group at CIPR

## **HySpex System**



Source: NEO





## Remote Sensing of Oil in Ice

- Joint Industry Programme
- Collaborative among NGOs, academic
  - institutions, contractors and CRRE
- Set-up
- Sensor suite •
- Modeling effort



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