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Multiscale Observation Networks for Optical monitoring of
Coastal waters, Lakes and Estuaries

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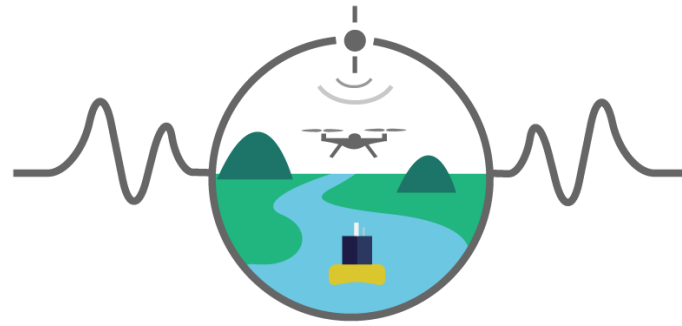


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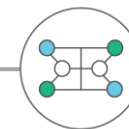
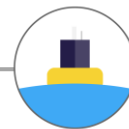
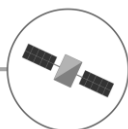
Alternative technologies for calibration and validation of water quality EO

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MONOCLE Rationale & Objectives



More in situ observations to support satellite cal/val, particularly in a diversity of optically complex waters and under a variable atmosphere.

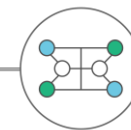
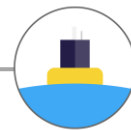
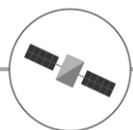
- Better understanding of uncertainties (atmospheric & water sources)
- Remote operations and data-poor regions

Lowered initial and operating cost

- Wider choice of reference and low-cost instruments
- Accessible options for non-expert participation (citizen science)
- Automation of measurement, data flows and quality control

Develop/improve fit-for-purpose sensors to capture:

- water and atmosphere properties through radiometry
- water column structure (optical/temperature)
- nutrients and land-use context



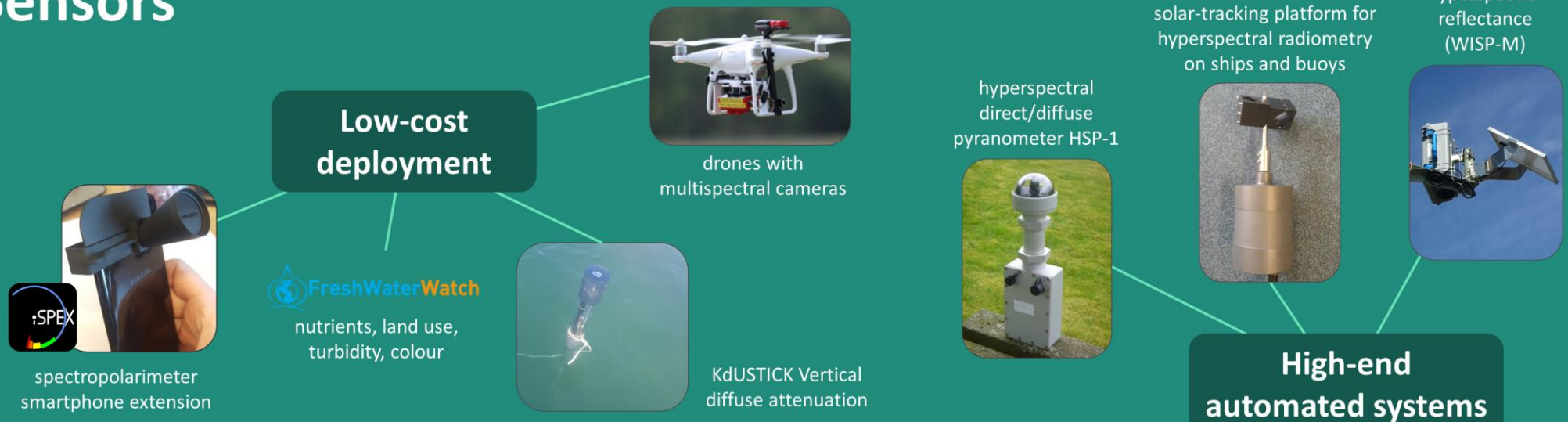
MONOCLE sensors and platforms



Participation

Automation

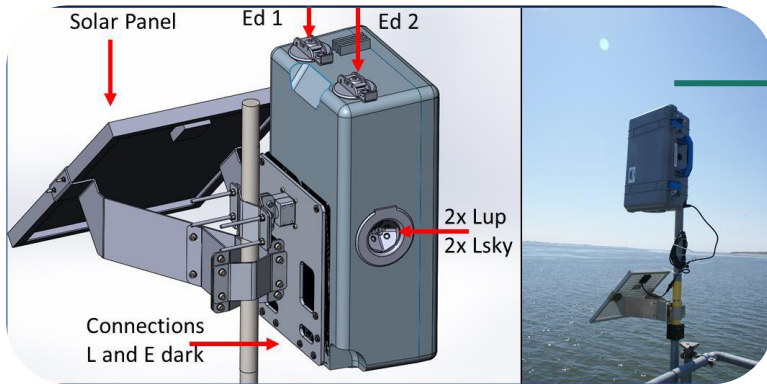
Sensors



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Automated radiometry systems



WISPstation by **Water Insight** provides water-leaving Reflectance from 6 channels, 2 azimuth angles, 350-1100 nm, sub-nm resolution. €25k (with tech support, data handling).

So-Rad (Solar-tracking radiometry platform) by **PML** providing water-leaving Reflectance (3 channels) integrating existing sensors, providing azimuth angle control. €2.5k to build (excl. sensors). Fully open-source.



The **Peak Design HSP-1** (Hyperspectral Pyranometer) provides global and diffuse downwelling irradiance, 3-nm resolution, 350-950*nm range, no motors. €11-17k target



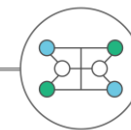
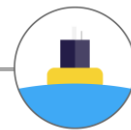
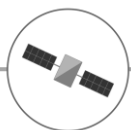
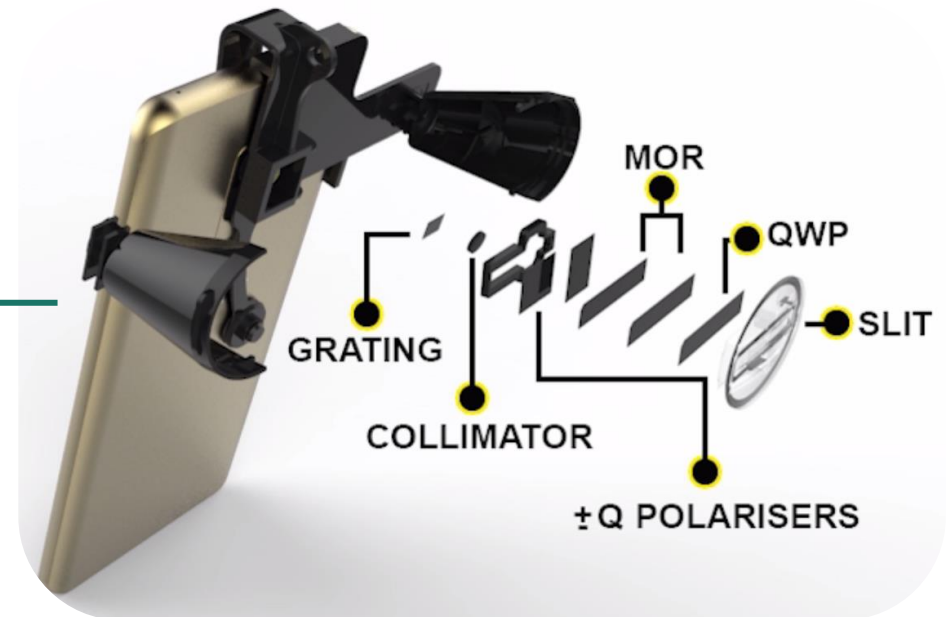
All instruments supports remote, low-power operation and monitoring, cellular data transfer and configuration and OGC-compliant metadata.

Manually operated radiometry

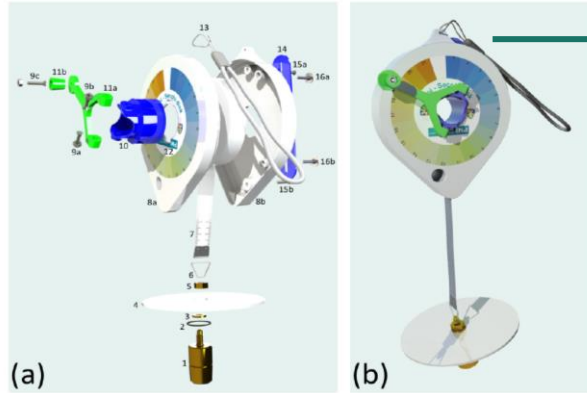
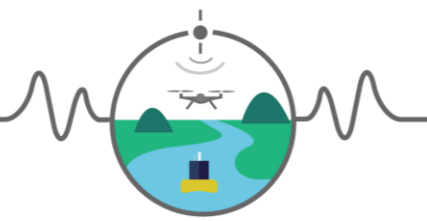


Drone-based solutions by **VITO** target water-leaving Reflectance from multispectral add-on payload and on-board RGB cameras, supported by flight planning and data processing service.

iSPEX 2 by **Leiden University** is a clip-on spectropolarimeter that uses the smartphone camera (app with DDQ) and camera calibrations. €15-25



Transparency, vertical attenuation



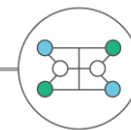
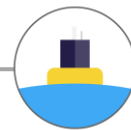
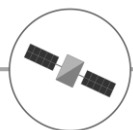
Mini Secchi-disk by **PML**, small portable disk with Forel-Ule colour index, pH paper attachment and supporting App (by DDQ). Open source, 3d printable.

Vertical attenuation using **KdUStick** by **CSIC**: chained light sensors with integrated electronics and telemetry (<€500).

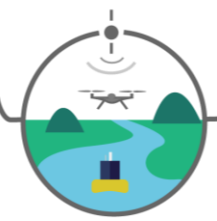
KdUMod is a more capable, modular package including RGB and temperature profiling (€2k freshwater, €6k marine)



FreshWater Watch by **Earthwatch**
Includes Turbidity tube, nutrient kit



Typical usage scenarios



Round-robin comparison of atmospheric correction solutions

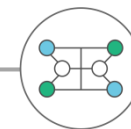
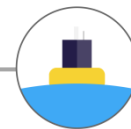
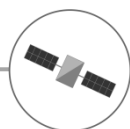
- e.g. WISPstation used extensively in ACIX-2, remote locations
- So-Rad mounted on ferries: regular coastal transects, large lakes
- HSP1 providing hyperspectral Aerosol Optical Thickness to attribute atmospheric correction uncertainties

Typical deployment: strategic locations with sustained support and regular maintenance to realise fiducial reference potential.

Low-cost packages to address data gaps, microscale observations

- Turbidity, reflectance, transparency for < €500 per user (optional nutrients, coliforms, oxygen demand through citizen science kits)
- Drone-based operations starting from €1.5k
- Determine vertical water column and atmospheric conditions.

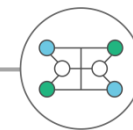
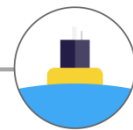
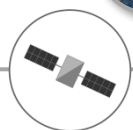
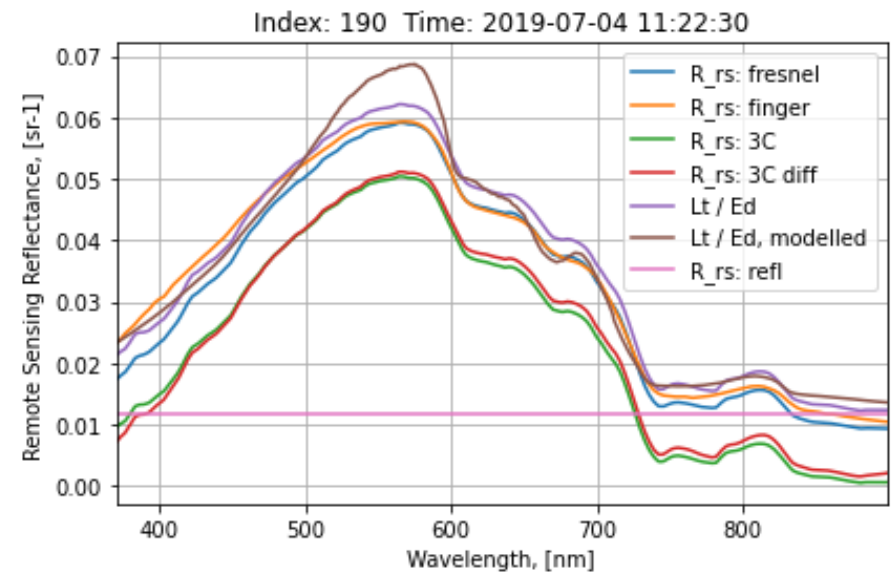
Typically embedded in citizen science projects: large potential for cross-validation, observing episodic events and grassroots environmental action.





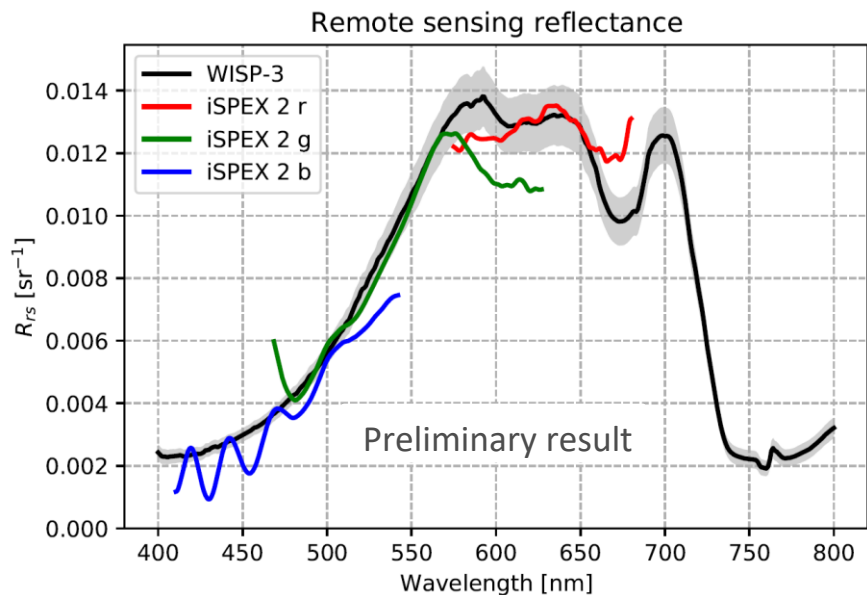
So-Rad and HSP-1 deployed together

- HSP-1: diffuse & direct downwelling irradiance (E_{dd} , E_{ds}).
- So-Rad: water (L_t) and sky (L_s) radiance. E_d not used.
- Atmospheric modelling constrains the shape and amplitude of reflectance at the water surface
-> improved remote-sensing reflectance.
- Analysis code + paper due soon



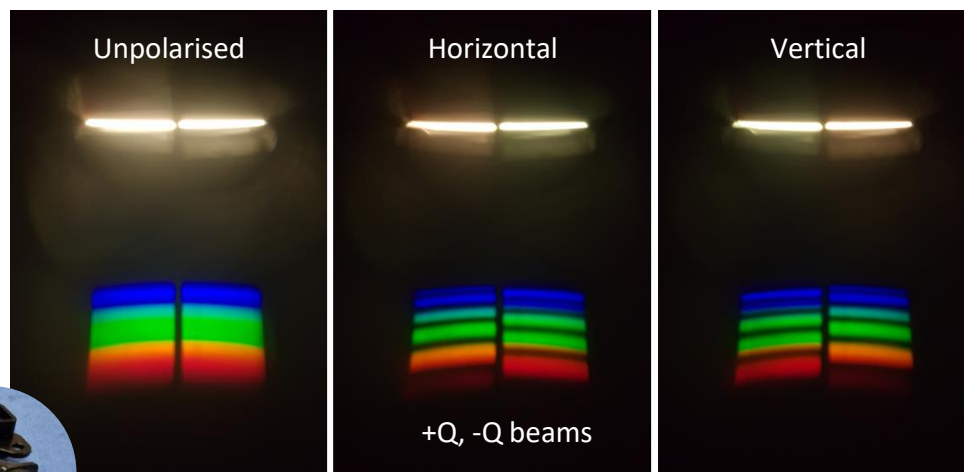


iSPEX 2: testing mass-production units



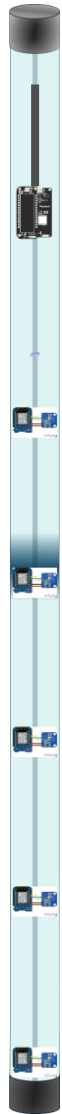
- Smartphone linear spectropolarimeter
- Universal smartphone support
- Camera calibration protocol & database
- Aerosol Optical Depth
- Remote-sensing Reflectance

3D printed iSPEX 2 prototype vs WISP-3 (black) shows good agreement (5% RMSD). Sine wave in B-band, band edge effects currently being addressed. Camera filters out > 700nm.

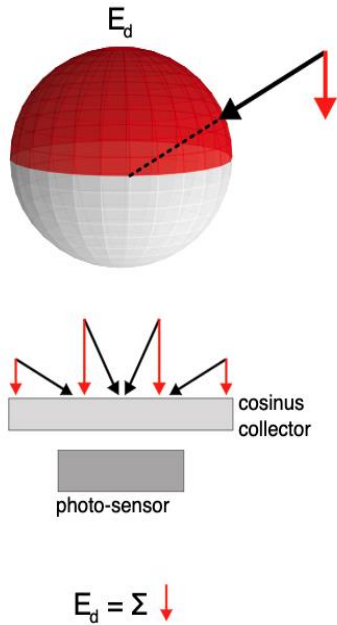


Camera images recorded with smartphone and iSPEX, polarization on/off

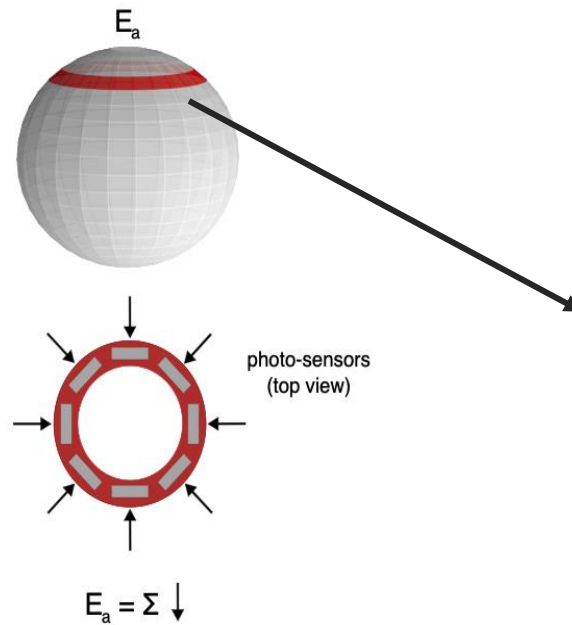




Downward irradiance

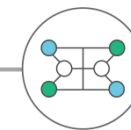
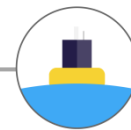
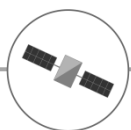


Annular irradiance

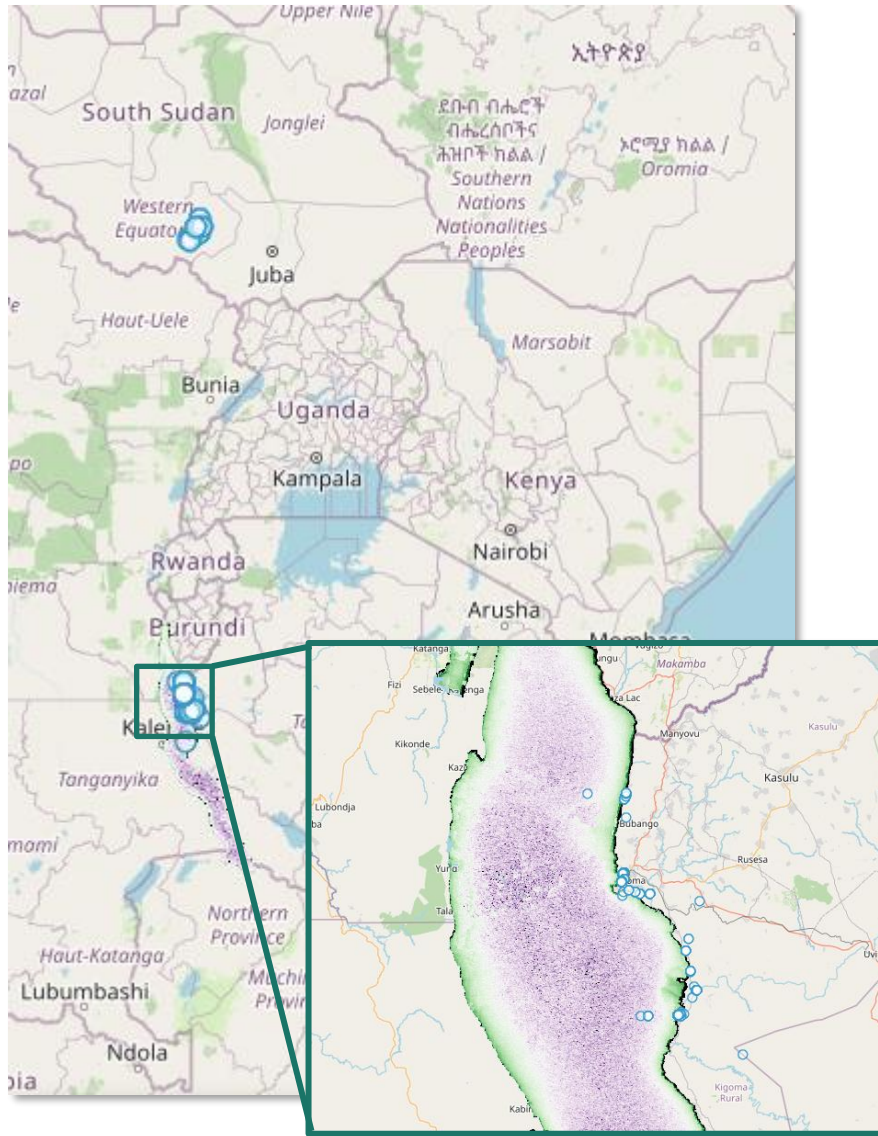


KdUStick

- Bespoke electronics board to control the integration time of the sensors
- Sensors in annular arrangement (avoiding shading)
- Open hardware design
- Do-it-yourself build possibilities



Bringing multiscale observations together



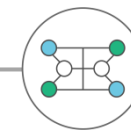
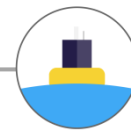
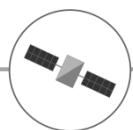
Harmonized data flows

All instruments/platforms provide

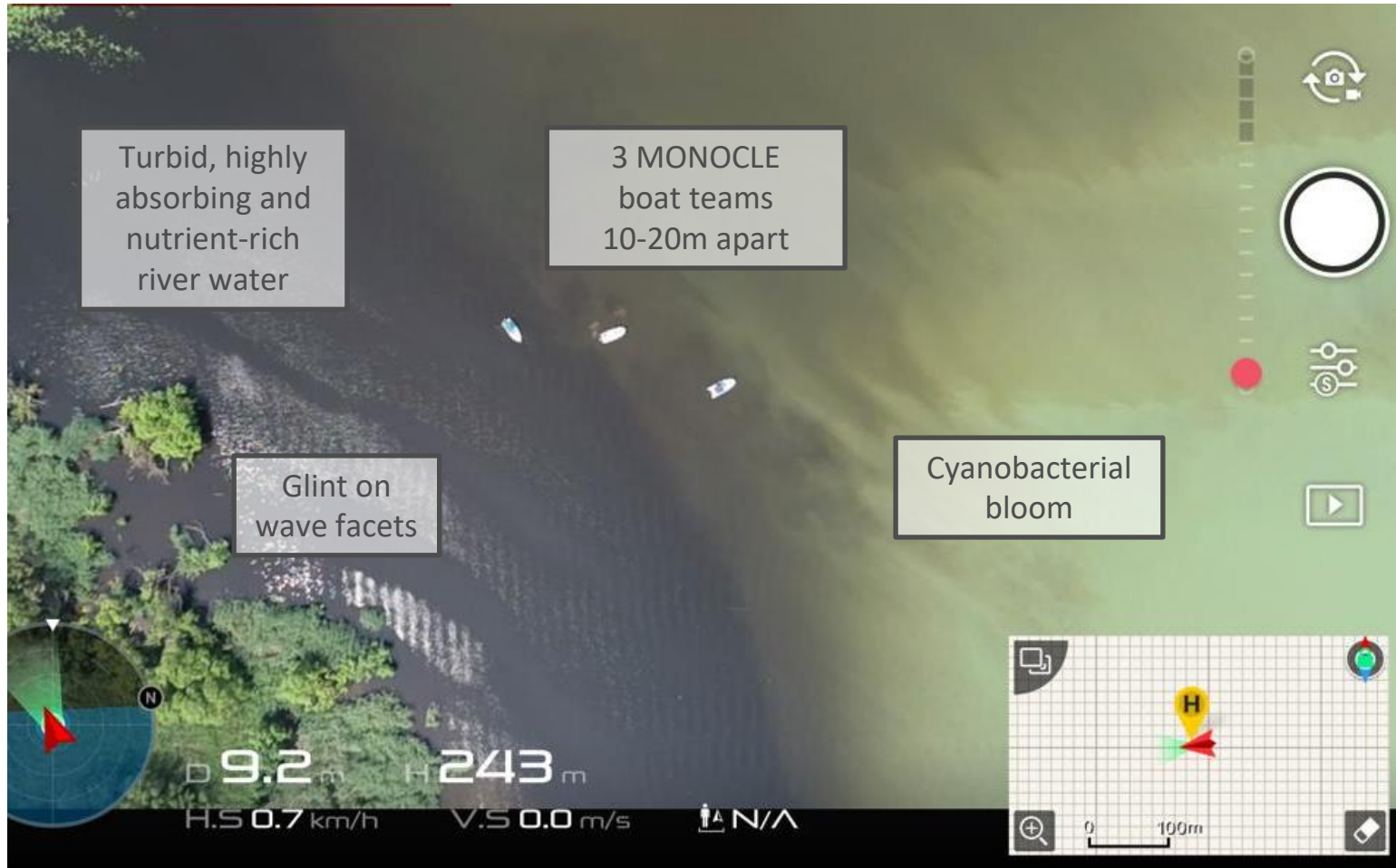
- Essential metadata (See MONOCLE report D3.2)
 - Sensor/sample/operator/platform ID
 - Ownership & licensing info
 - Calibration information
- OGC-based data offering
 - [optional] Sensor-to-backend (SOS)
 - [optional] Backend-to-middleware
 - Frontend, e.g. Geoserver with WFS and WMS
- Public front-end (any GIS) can mix sources, conduct geospatial queries.

Sources currently connected

- LIMNADES (U Stirling)
- FreshWater Watch (Earthwatch)
- So-Rad systems
- MapEO drone imagery (VITO)
- ...



Thank you



Lake Balaton,
Hungary, 2019.
The Zala river
mouth by drone
and 3 boats.

