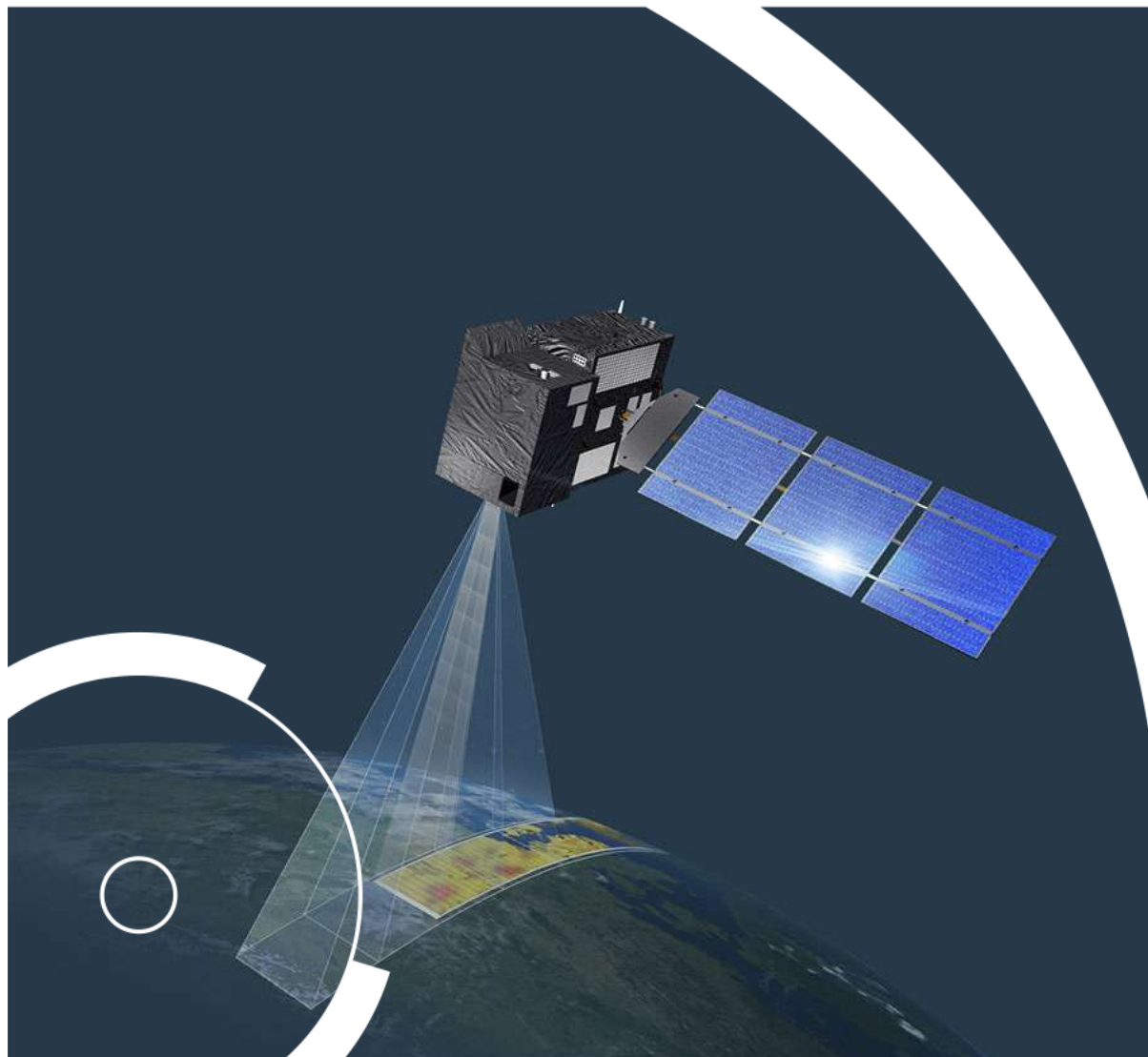




The Copernicus anthropogenic CO₂ Monitoring (CO2M) mission – operational product validation and monitoring

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- CO2M made up of three instruments:
 - CO2I/NO2I (push-broom spectrometer) – measuring CO₂, CH₄, NO₂
 - MAP (Multi-Angle Polarimeter) – measuring aerosol properties
 - CLIM (CLOUD IMager) – measuring thick and thin clouds
- 3 platforms (two launching within a few months, the third launching 18+ months later); all platforms on same orbital plane
- 11:30 LT overpass time
- 735 km altitude



1. CO2M overview

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Product	Spatial resolution	Precision	Bias
CO ₂	4 km ²	0.7 (0.5) ppm	<0.5 ppm
CH ₄	4 km ²	10 (5) ppb	<5 ppb
NO ₂	4 km ²	1.5x10 ¹⁵ molec/cm ²	<3.5x10 ¹⁵ molec/cm ²
SIF*	4 km ²	0.7 mW m ⁻² sr ⁻¹ nm ⁻¹	<0.2 mW m ⁻² sr ⁻¹ nm ⁻¹
Aerosols	16 km ²	0.05 AOD, 500 m LH	<0.05 AOD, 500 m LH
Clouds	4 km ²	<1% of FOV	



2. Monitoring data

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Calibration sources



Satellite-based data



Ground-based data



2. Monitoring data – Calibration sources

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Calibration sources

Source	C02I	MAP	CLIM	Frequency
Sun	X	X		Day
Moon	X*	X*	X	Irregular
WLS	X			Week
Tuneable LED	X (ISRF)			Ad. Hoc.
Dark	X	X	X	Orbit

* Feasibility currently investigation

Common channel at 753 nm across all three instruments



2. Monitoring system

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Calibration sources



Satellite-based data



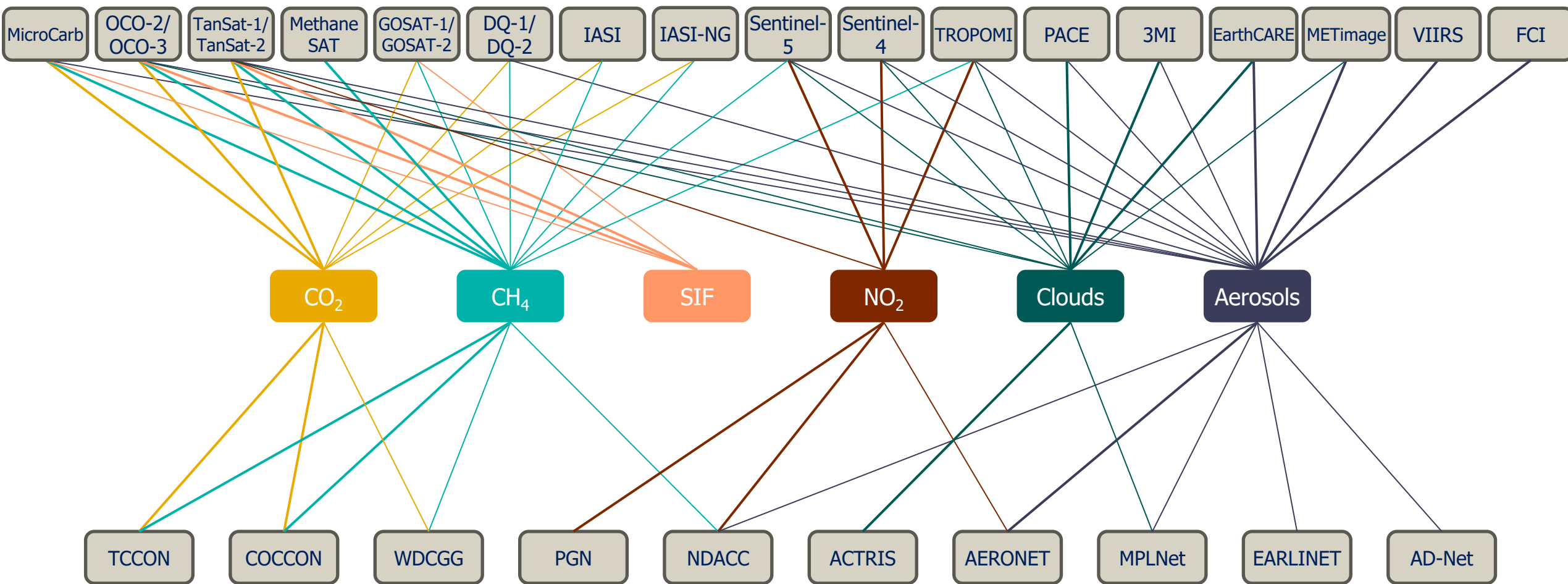
Ground-based data



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Data sets from satellite instruments



Data sets from Fiducial Reference Measurements (FRM)



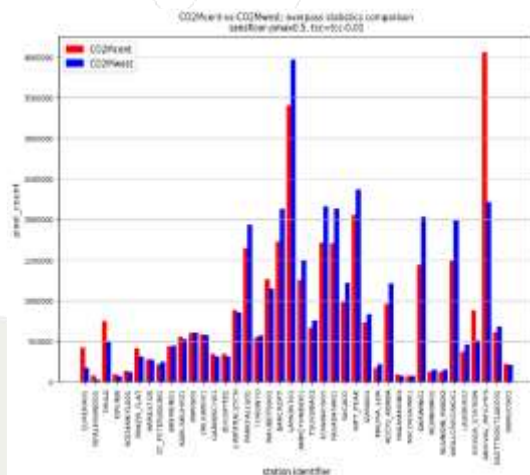
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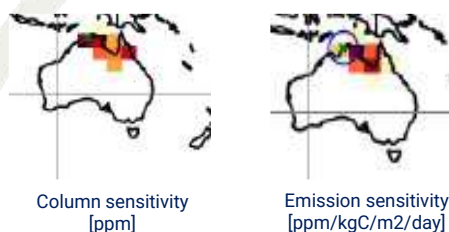
Ground-based data provision

- Phase 1 identified network requirements – led by LMU

CO2M overpass statistics per station:



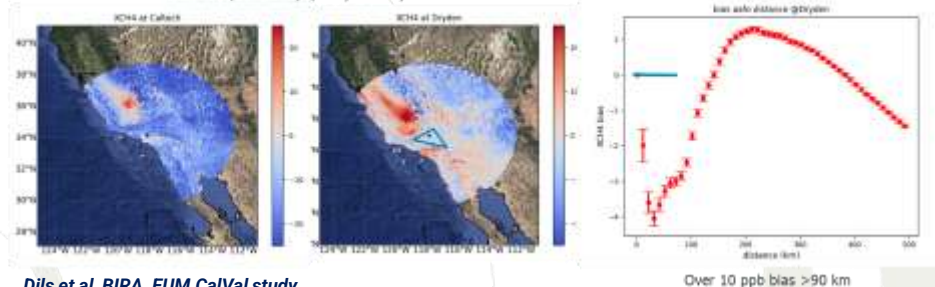
Station footprint simulation:



iLab Kaminski et al., EUM CalVal study

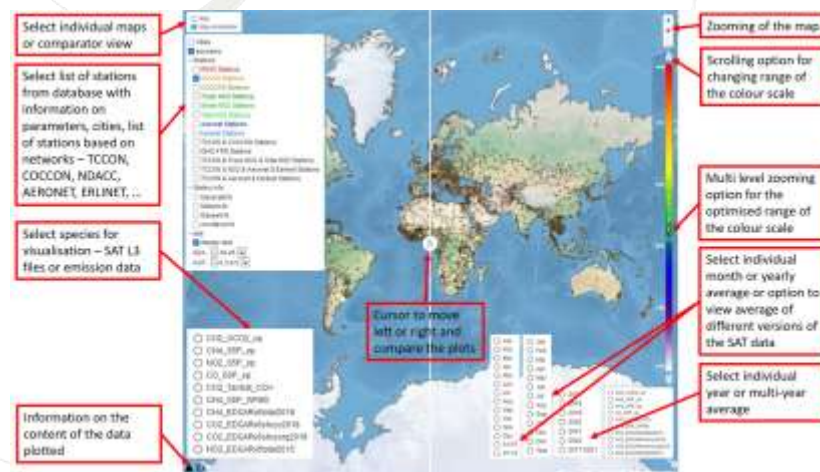
CO2M ground-station co-location criteria:

Dryden/Edwards XCH4 bias w.r.t TCCON sites
San Joaquin valley (dairy farms)



Dils et al, BIRA, EUM CalVal study

CO2M validation resource and network-design:



EUM Cal/Val Study



Database: <http://co2m.aeronomie.be>



2. Monitoring system – Ground-based studies

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Ground-based data provision

- Phase 1 identified network requirements – led by LMU
- Phase 2 (KO last week) will address commissioning preparation, evolution of validation methods, interface for provision of network/validation data, provision and processing of data – led by BIRA



2. Monitoring system – Ground-based studies

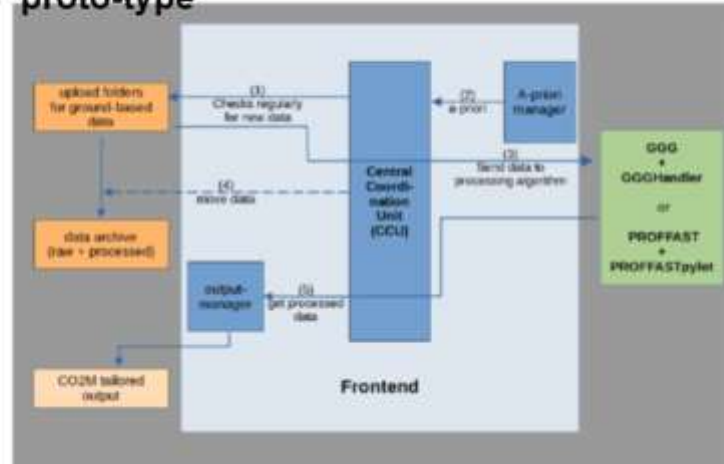
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Ground-based Product (GBP) processing definition, led by KIT

- Data will come from TCCON and COCCON stations
 - Rapid delivery – required due to strict time constraints for commissioning timeline
 - This is NOT standard processing
 - Level 0 or Level 1 data from the stations, processed to produce a Level 2 product created for explicitly CO2M's needs (overpass times, etc)



CO2M a-priori and auxiliary data products



CO2M-GDP Level-2
aim: timeliness <1 week

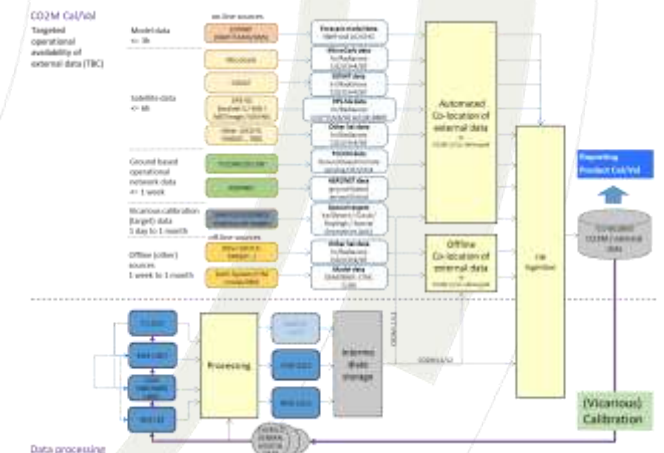
Level-1



COCCON
0.14 nm (@1.6 μm)

TCCON/COCCON Level-2 fiducial reference data (aim: timeliness < 2 month)

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3. Cal/Val system

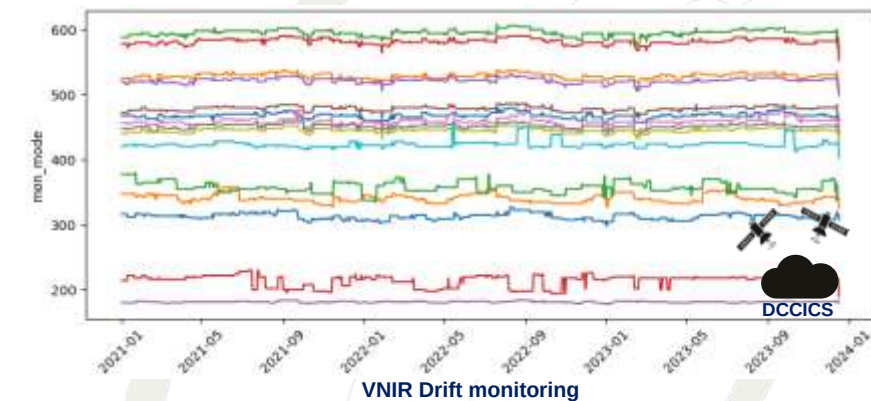
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- Multiple systems already in place for current missions
- Variants on these systems will be used by CO2M

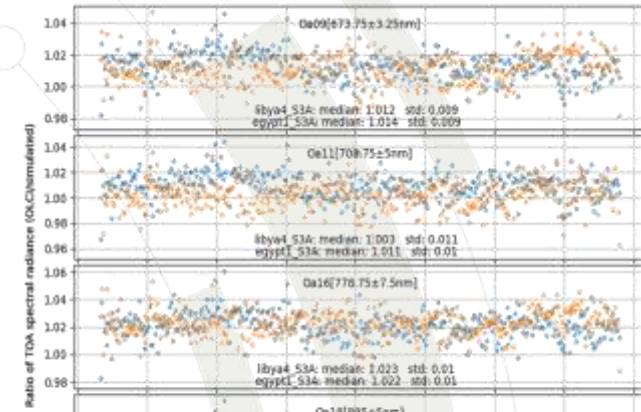
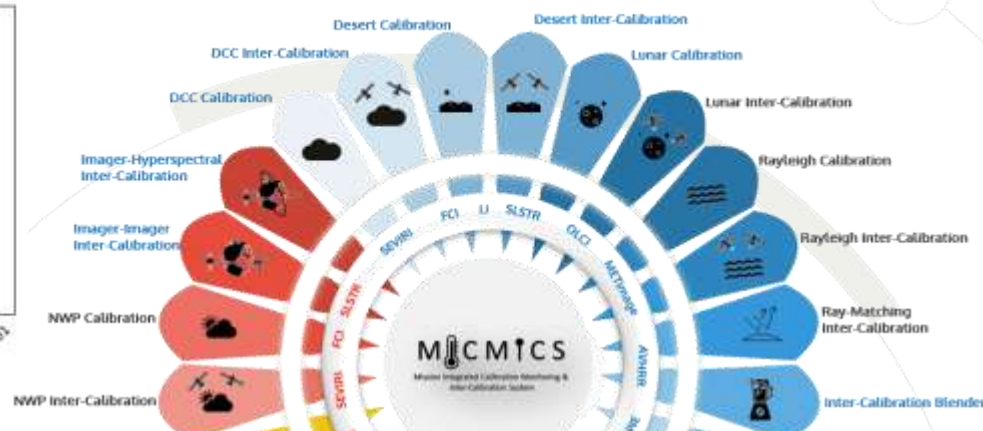


3. Cal/Val system – MICMICS (for Sentinel-3 OLCI/SLSTR)

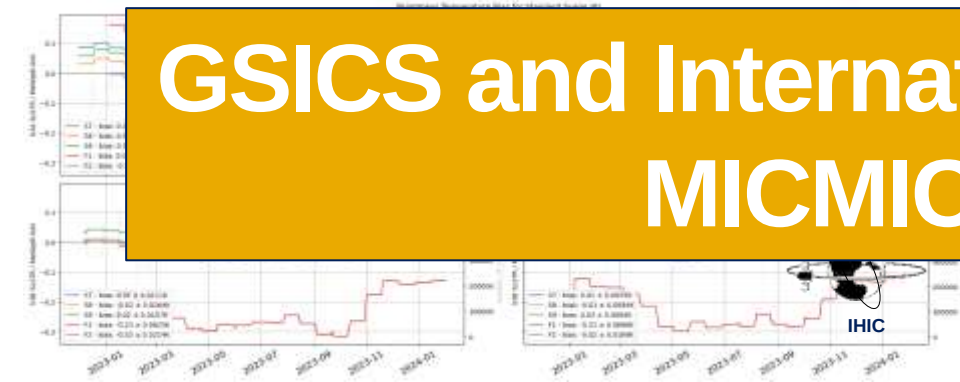
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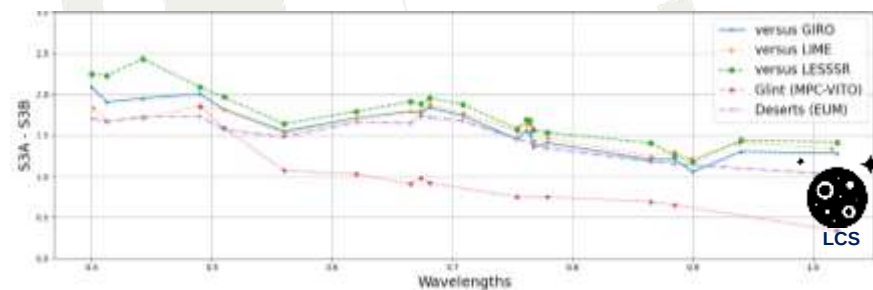
VNIR Drift monitoring



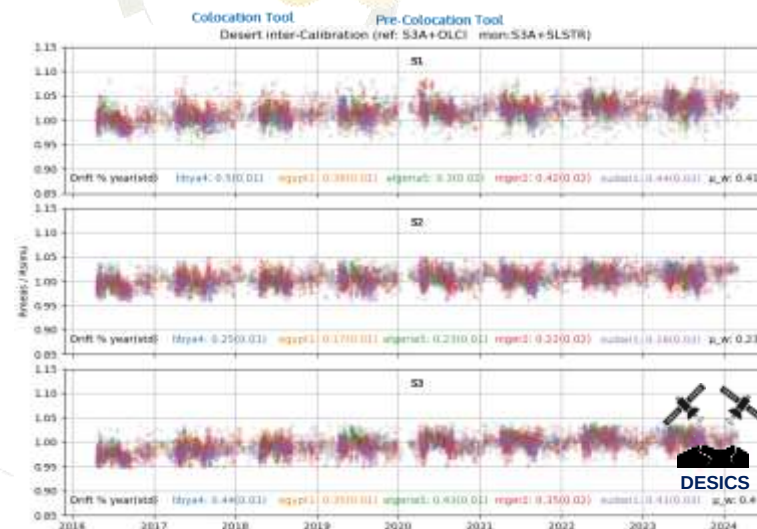
GSICS and International Cooperation key to building MICMICS over the last 6 years



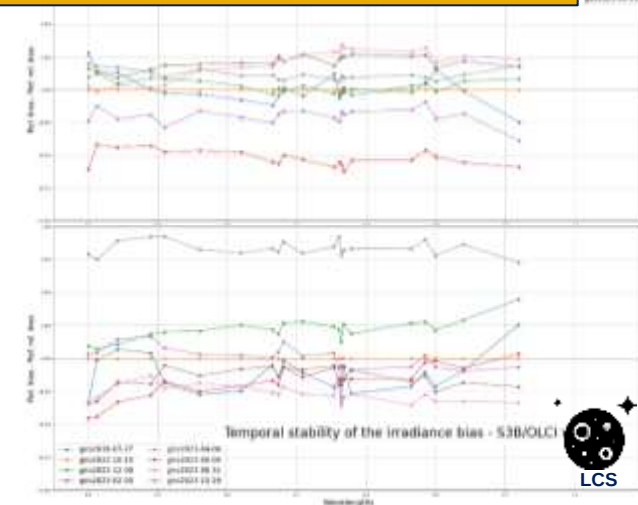
Monitoring IR channels



S3A-OLCI vs S3B-OLCI difference from various calibration and inter-calibration systems



VNIR Drift monitoring



VNIR Drift monitoring



3. Cal/Val system – STAR framework

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The STAR (Statistical Analyses and Reports) Framework

Offline tool to support routine and ad-hoc monitoring of instrument and product performance during commissioning and operations

CHART-CORE

- common library for routine orchestration functions, e.g.
 - job triggering
 - database handling
 - report generation
- web-based frontend

STAR-CORE

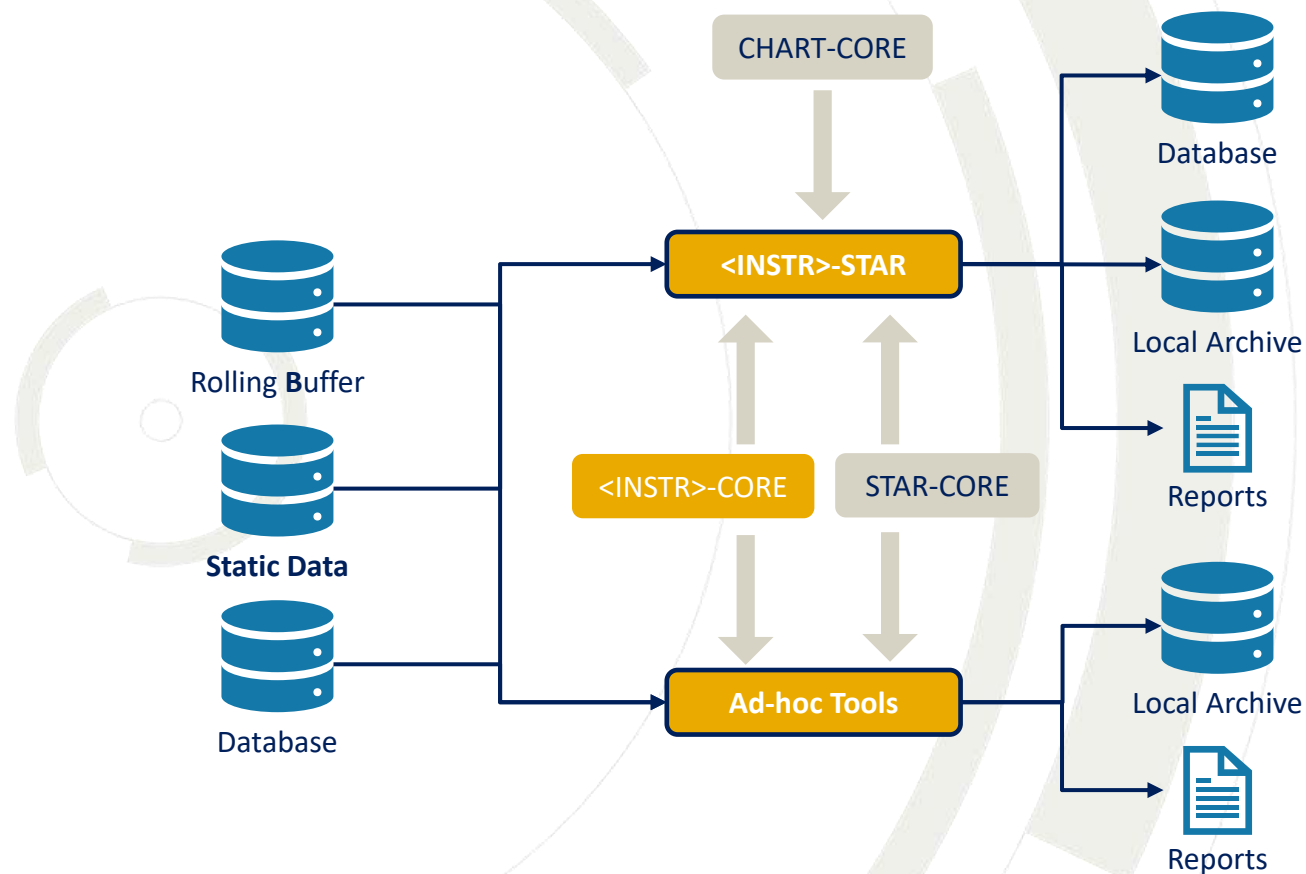
- common library for standard functions, e.g.
 - I/O
 - statistics
 - processing

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- common library for instrument-specific functions, e.g.
 - product readers
 - CCDB readers
 - instrument properties

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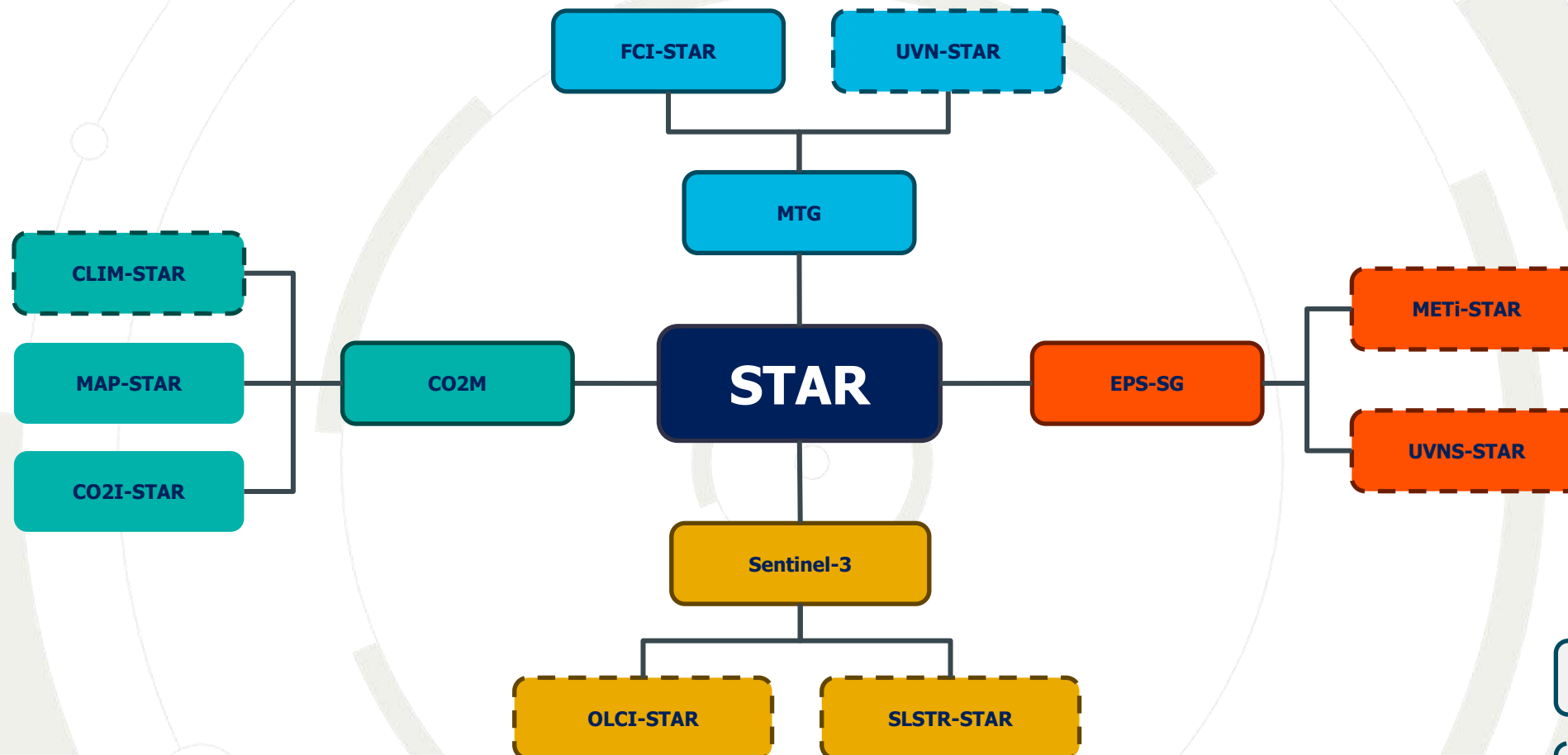
- centrally connects CORE libraries to run routine data processing, incl.
 - I/O handling
 - algorithm execution
 - report generation





3. Cal/Val system – STAR framework

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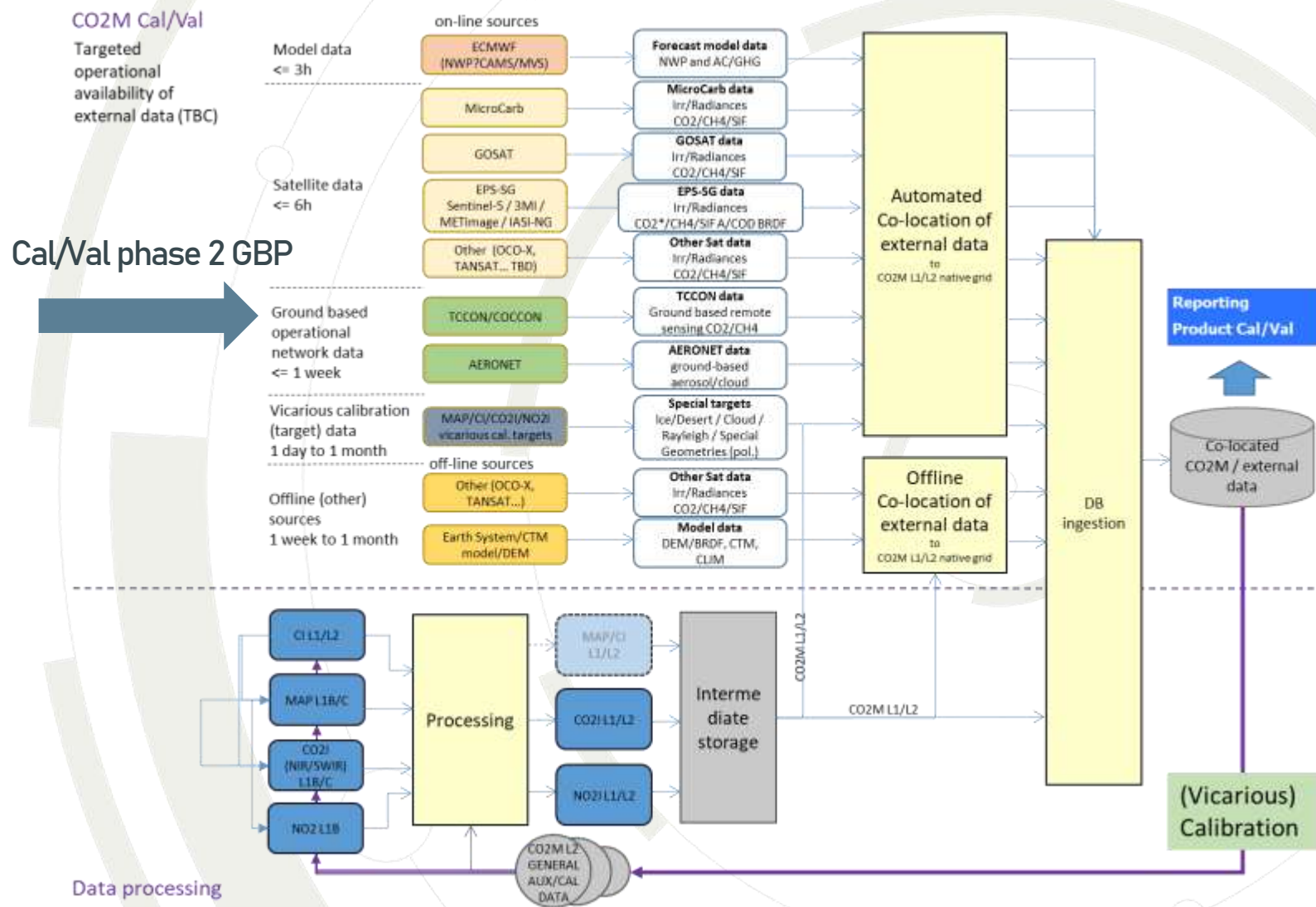
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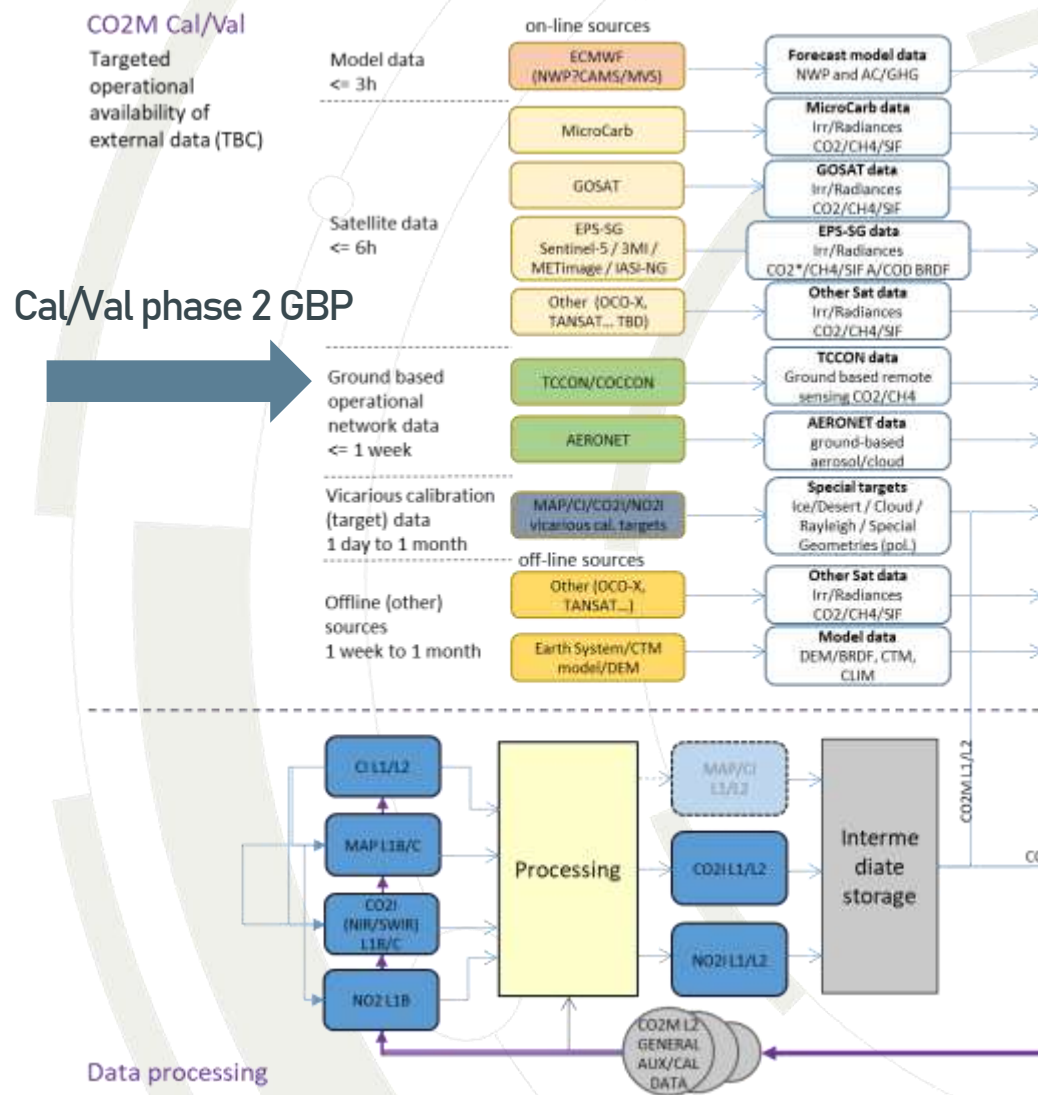


4. CO2M Cal/Val facility

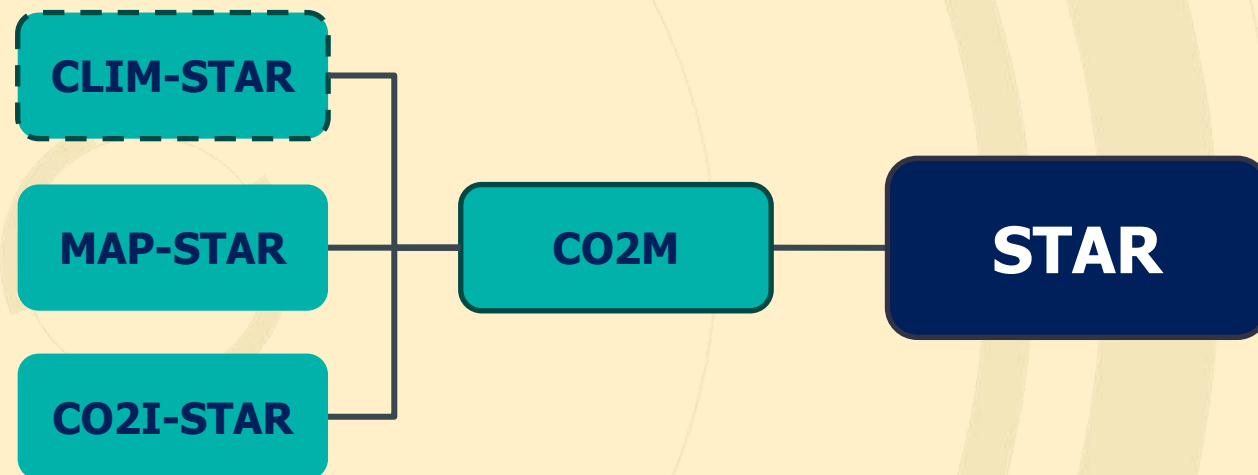




4. CO2M Cal/Val facility



EUMETSAT STAR framework





- Two external projects supporting the Cal/Val system for CO2M
- Participation from the TCCON & COCCON networks will be key to the successful and timely commissioning of the satellite
- EUMETSAT Cal/Val facility will use operationally tested systems, adapted to the unique needs of each of the instruments within the mission
- Lessons learned from the upcoming launches of MTG-S and EPS-SG will be implemented in the commissioning of CO2M

Any questions?