

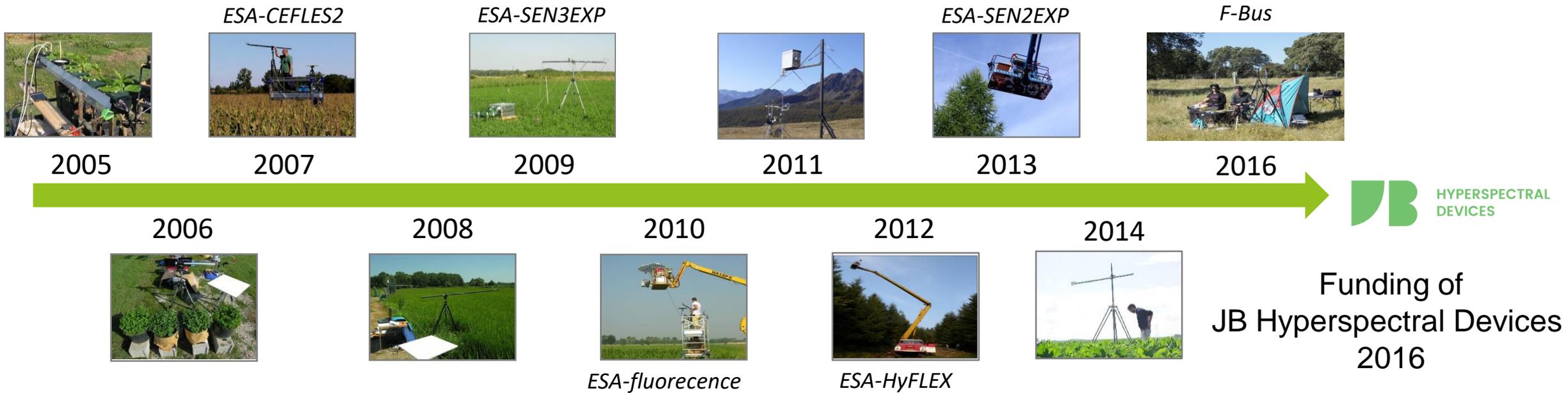


**Towards a network of field spectrometers for continuous proximal sensing monitoring: multiple cases of application for FloX and RoX**

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# PROJECT, CAMPAIGNS AND PROTOTYPES



OPTIC	Spec1	Spec2
Wavelength range	~ 650–800 nm;	~ 400–950 nm
Spectral Sampling Interval (SSI)	~ 0.17 nm	~ 0.65 nm
Spectral resolution (FWHM)	~ 0.3 nm	~ 1.5 nm
Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR)	~ 1000	~ 250
Field Of View (FOV)	Dual FOV. Upwelling radiance ~25°. Downwelling radiance 180°	

## OPERATIONAL

Signal Optimization	Automatic adaption to varying light conditions
Dark current	Accurate dark current determination at each measurement cycle
Manual acquisition	Interface software for manual measurement and calibration
Automatic acquisition	Fully autonomous measurement mode for unattended data acquisition
Quick measurements	20 seconds under bright sunshine 60 seconds in overcast condition
Stability	Reference system stability check and uncertainty estimates
Simultaneous metadata	Spectrometer temperature, Outside temperature, GPS position, GPS time
Data Display	Live assessment of the systems status
Data storage	SD card up to 32 GB (12 months of measurements)
Case	Robust and Waterproof housing based on the 1510 Pelicase
Dimension	Small form factor (50 × 30 × 20 cm)
Power supply	12 Volt. From battery or solar panels
Power consumption	Average consumption of 60 Watt. (20/100 Watt, cooling on/off)
Energy saver	Day/night switch for energy saving
Interfaces	RS232 via cable and wireless

<https://www.jb-hyperspectral.com/products/flox/>

# FLOX THE FLUORESCENCE BOX

Long term measurements of Red and Far-red Sun Induced chlorophyll Fluorescence  
 FLEX like specification  
 Quick measurement cycle  
 Fully automated measurement protocol  
 Low power consumption



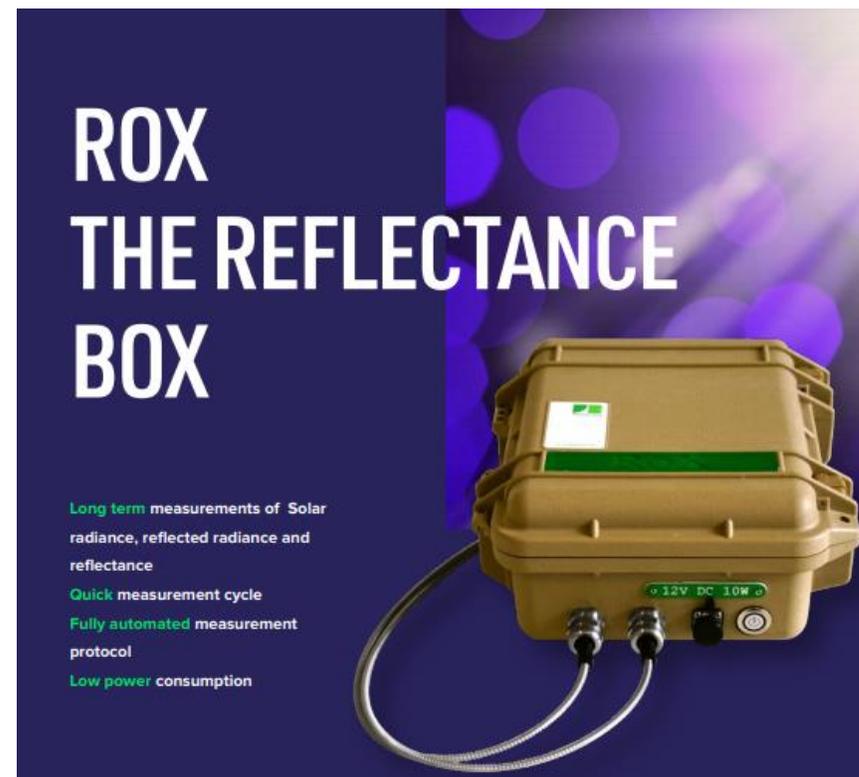
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Case	<b>Robust and Waterproof housing based on the 1200 Pelicase</b>
Dimension	<b>300 × 250 × 130 mm</b>
Power supply	<b>12 Volt. From battery and solar panels</b>
Power consumption	<b>800 mAh</b>
Energy saver	<b>Day/night switch for energy saving</b>
Interface	<b>RS232 via cable and wireless</b>

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**ROX  
THE REFLECTANCE  
BOX**

Long term measurements of Solar radiance, reflected radiance and reflectance

Quick measurement cycle

Fully automated measurement protocol

Low power consumption

The image shows a rugged, tan-colored Pelicase housing the ROX device. It has a green display screen on top and several ports on the bottom, including a USB port and a power input. The background is a dark blue gradient with purple bokeh lights.

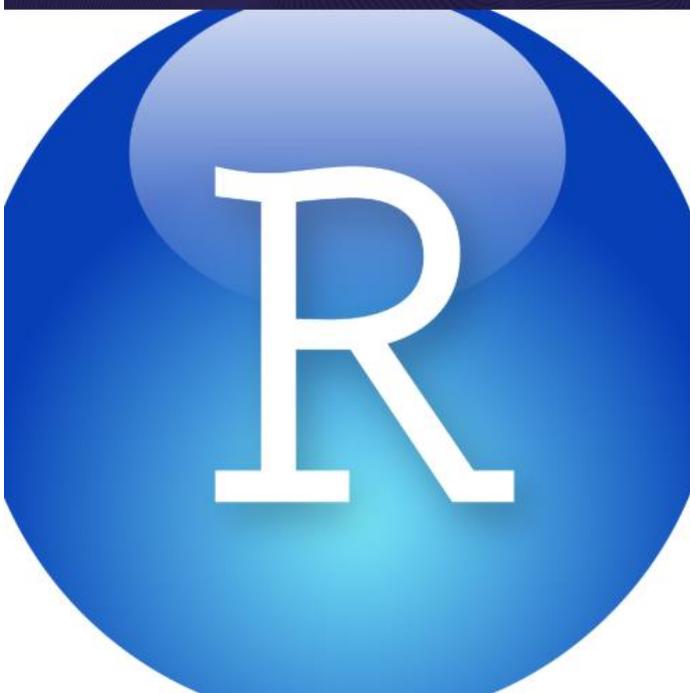


In 2022  
55 FloXes  
28 RoXes

# MY FILES

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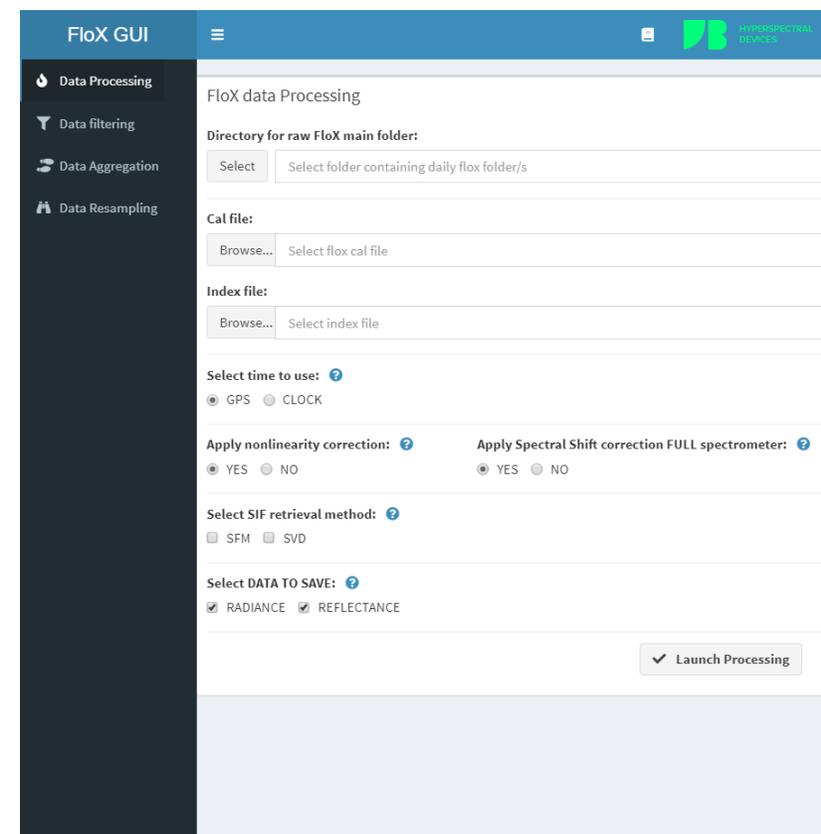
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## FLOX DATA PROCESSING GUI - JB-031-SK - IREMTECH

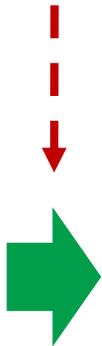
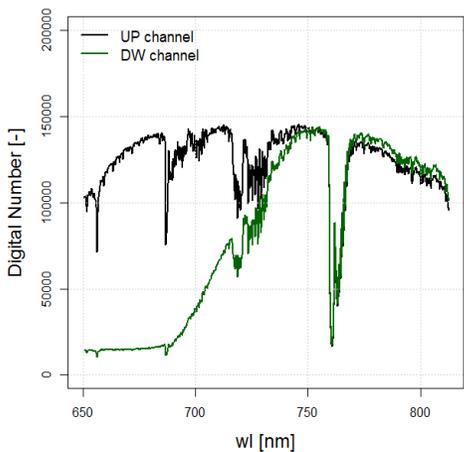
— DISCOVER

- ✓ Easy
- ✓ Plug and play
- ✓ Open Source

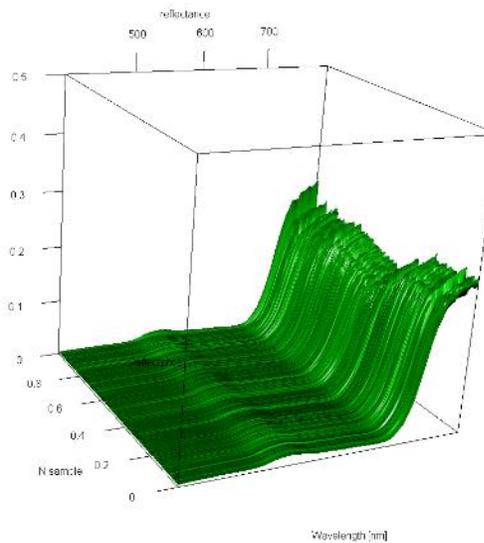
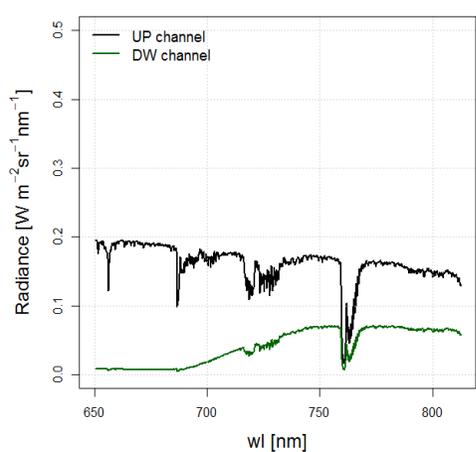


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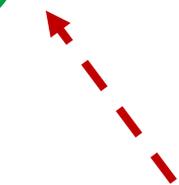
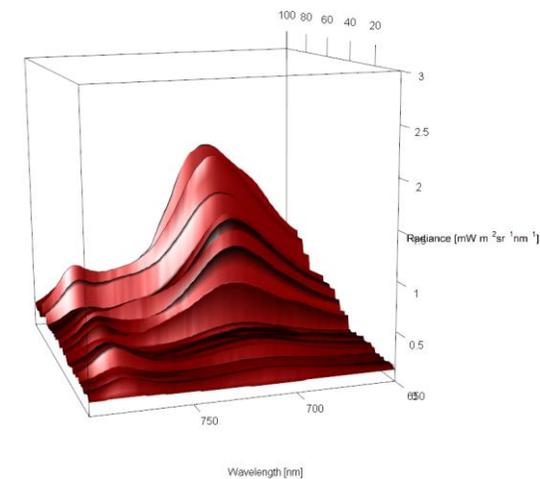
RAW DATA



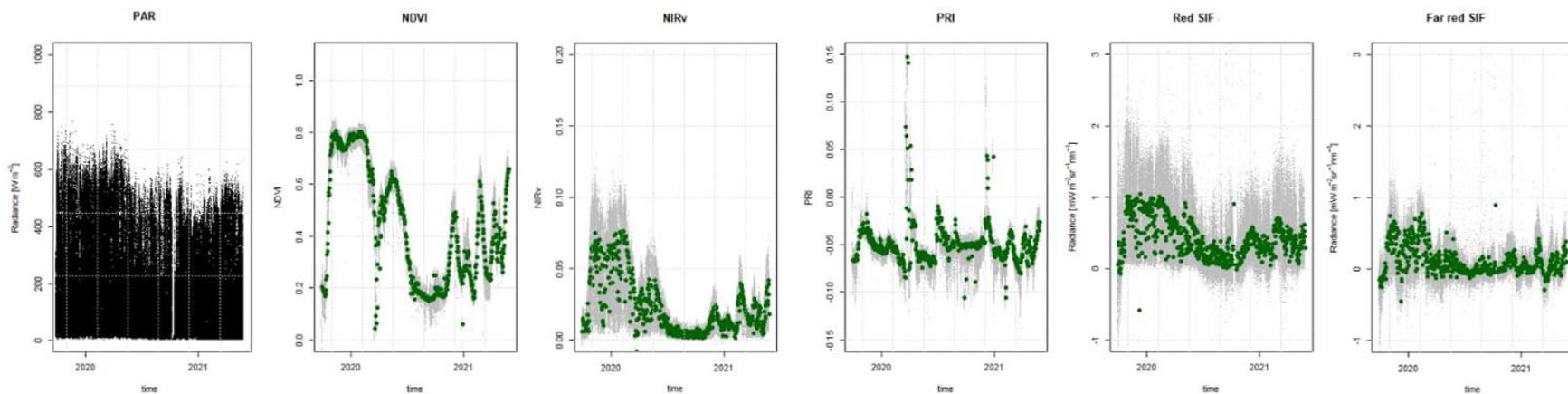
Radiance



## SIF retrieval and Index formulation

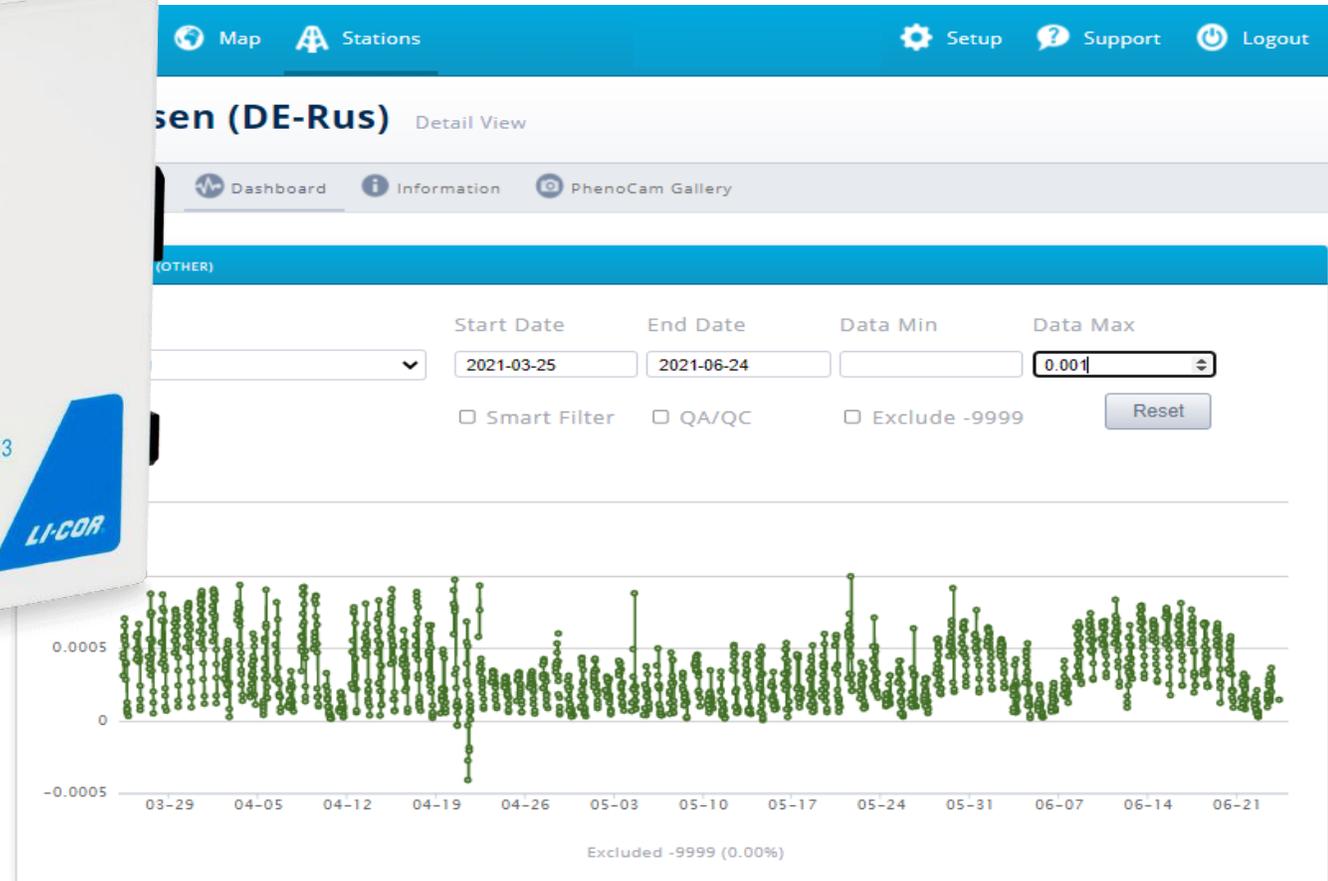


Quality Flag Criteria



Since 2019 JB is collaborating with Licor in order to make JB devices compatible with SmartFluX for a real time visualization of the data.

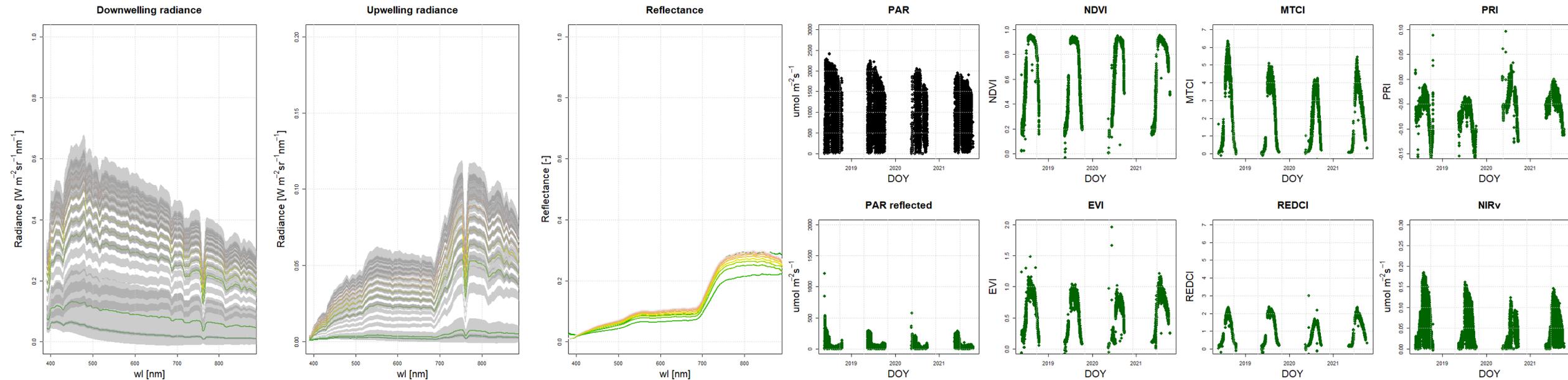
Communication is based on SDI-12 protocol and allow to a minute based data transfer. A subset of 12 parameters (user defined) calculated by FloX ARM processor can be streamed out after every cycle of measurements.



Ongoing collaboration with existing flux networks to release dataset of variable derived by JB instruments:

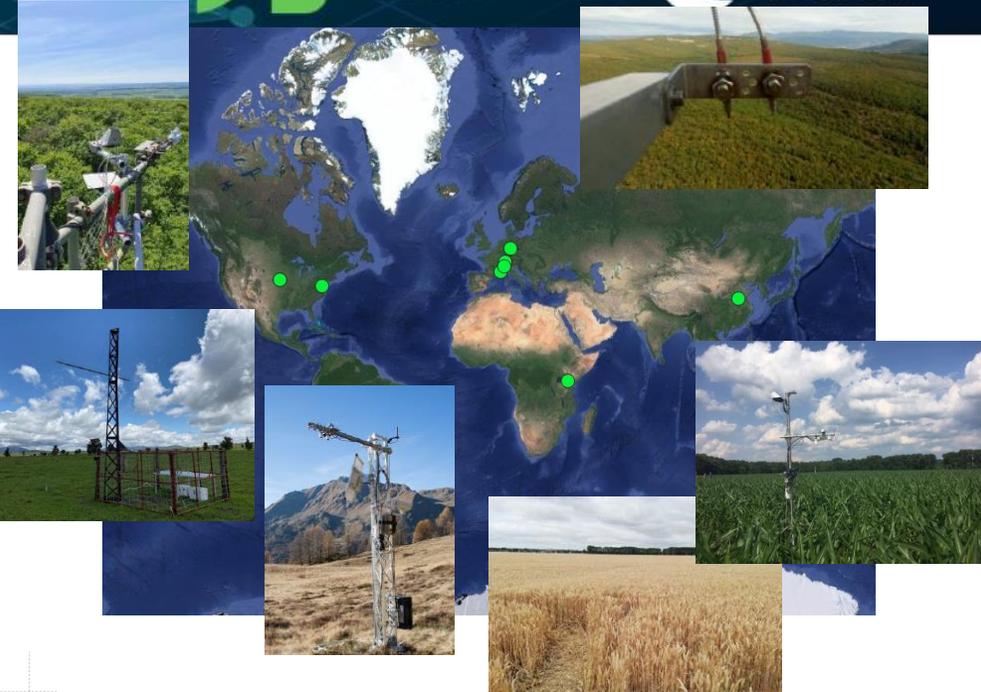
- Upwelling and Down-welling radiance
- Reflectance
- Vegetation Indices

**ICOS** | INTEGRATED CARBON OBSERVATION SYSTEM

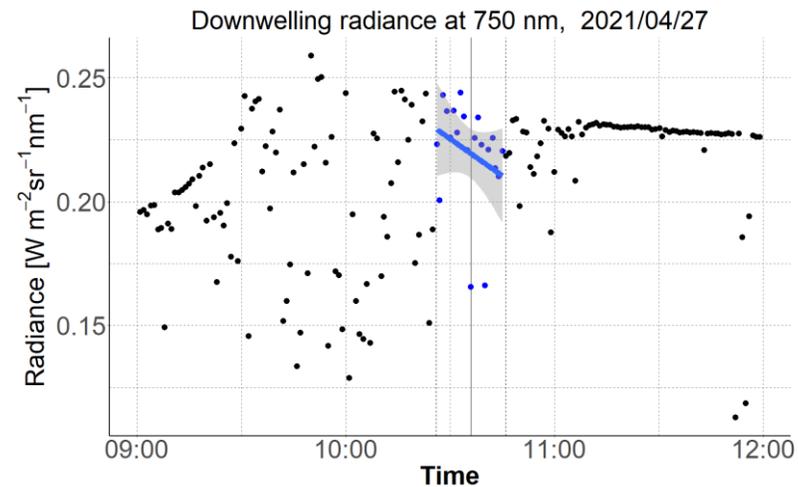
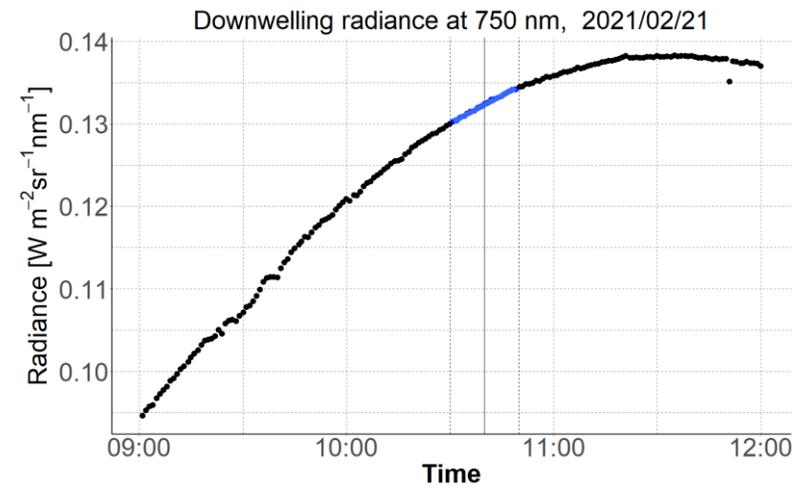


## Comparison between FloX and RoX versus Sentinel2.

- 10 sites selected around the globe, covering different targets in time.
- Comparison is made on BOA reflectance and related VIs
- Data filtered based on Sentinel cloud mask and field data



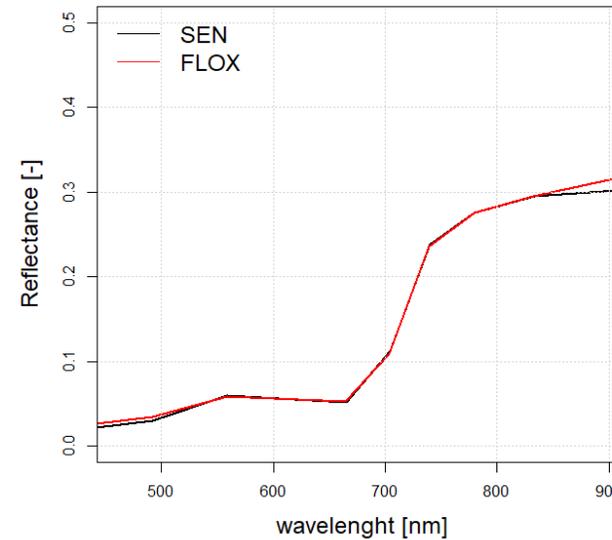
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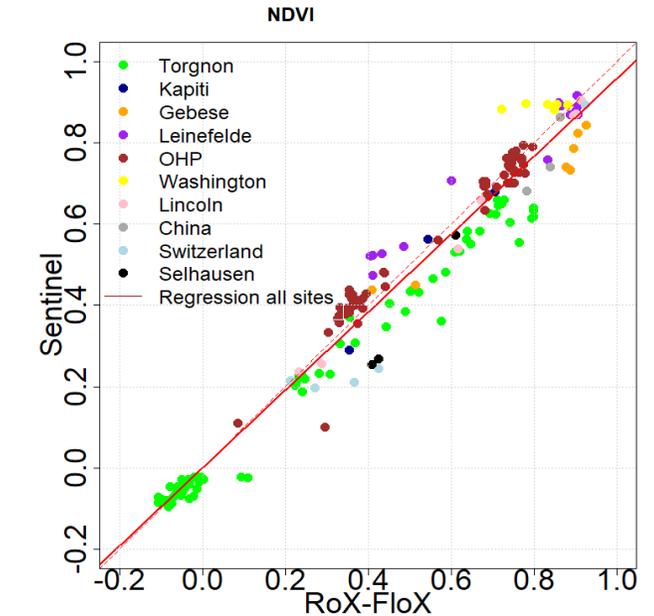
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- The sites selection was not made for cal/val activity (**spatial representativeness** was not a criteria of selection).
- Preliminary results show a **good correlation** between ground based and satellite based measurements both on **reflectance and VIs**.
- It was found that the regression between ground and satellite was improving significantly when satellites images were filtered according to ground measured irradiance stability, indicating the **cloud mask** for sentinel was less suitable for such analysis.

Comparison FloX Sen2A reflectance OHP, 27 August 2020



Bands wl	R Squared
442	0.47
492	0.59
559	0.59
665	0.72
704	0.59
740	0.45
780	0.55
833	0.45



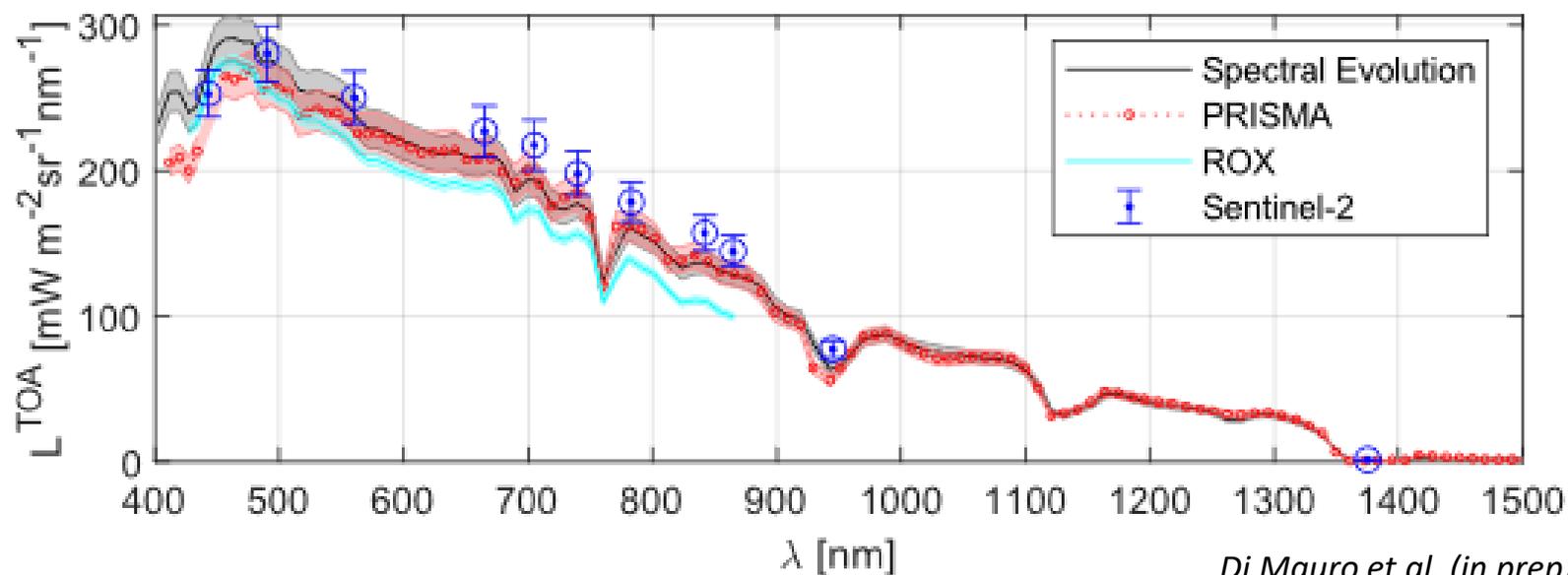
Indices	R Squared
CRred	0.72
EVI	0.86
NDVI	0.9

Naethe et al. (in prep)

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At the Torgnon experimental site (Western Alps), PRISMA L1 spectra show a good agreement with field measurements (Spectral Evolution) and Sentinel 2 data, within the MRD requirements (lower than 5%)

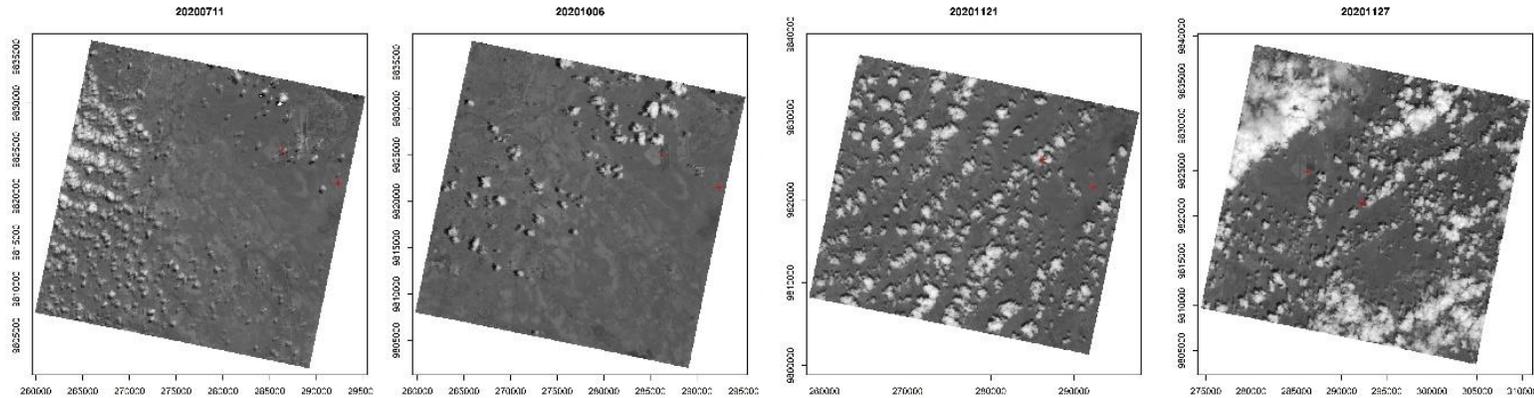
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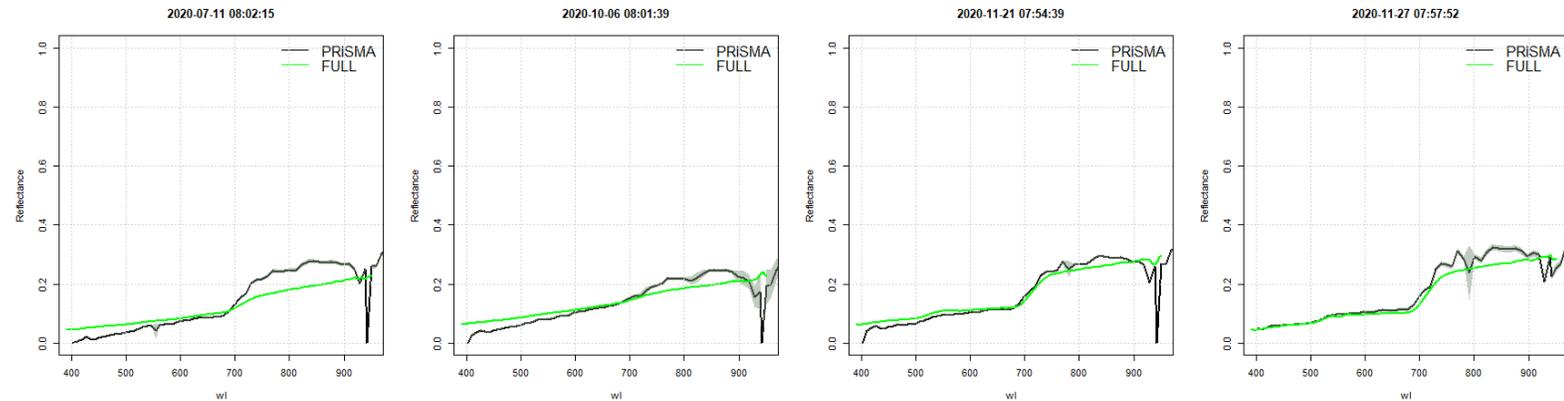
*Di Mauro et al. (in prep)*



At the Kapiti experimental site (Kenya) a FloX was installed in 2019 and continuously running since then. Acquisition of PRISMA BOA L2D reflectance images were requested. On 9 images acquired 5 had to be rejected due to cloud cover.



*Courtesy of Tagliabue, Rossini and Panigada*



## CONCLUSIONS

- FloX and RoX are consolidated instruments which are collecting data since years, and already used for several scientific studies
- Data processing was tuned in the last 5 years and is now at a robust stage, including data quality flags for filtering criteria
- Remote Data access is one actual key aspect and increasing in stability. Smartflux Li-Cor integration is onrgoing and will make the FloX/RoX data easily accessible to community not directly linked to spectroscopy
- JB data integration with existing FluX network is progressing (ICOS, Fluxnet, Ameriflux etc.)
- Field spectrometer netowk can be used for satellite validation activities, where the number of sites, even if not all matching the spatial requirements can be considered as a plus



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