

# MONOCLE

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

## Micro- to macroscale water quality product validation to address global data gaps: presenting new technologies from H2020-MONOCLE

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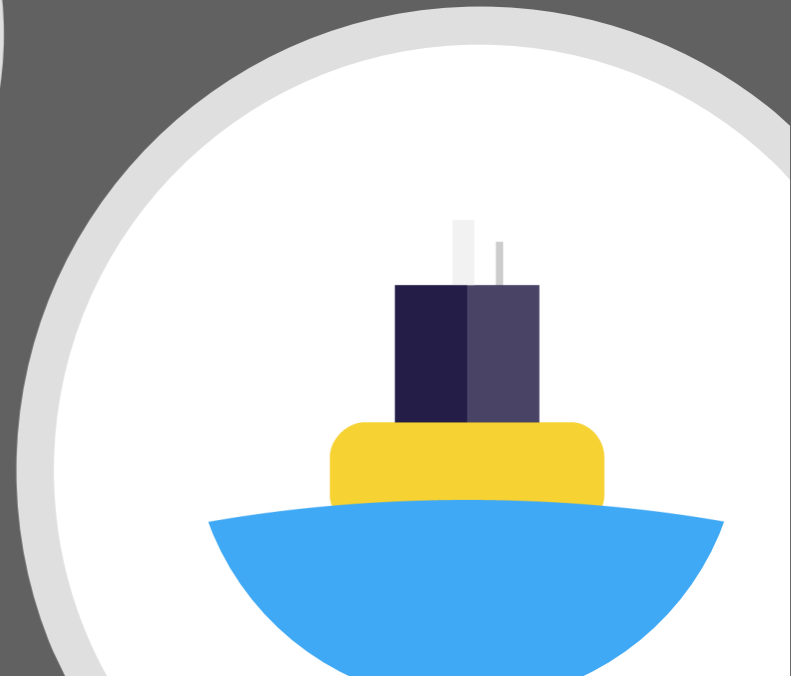
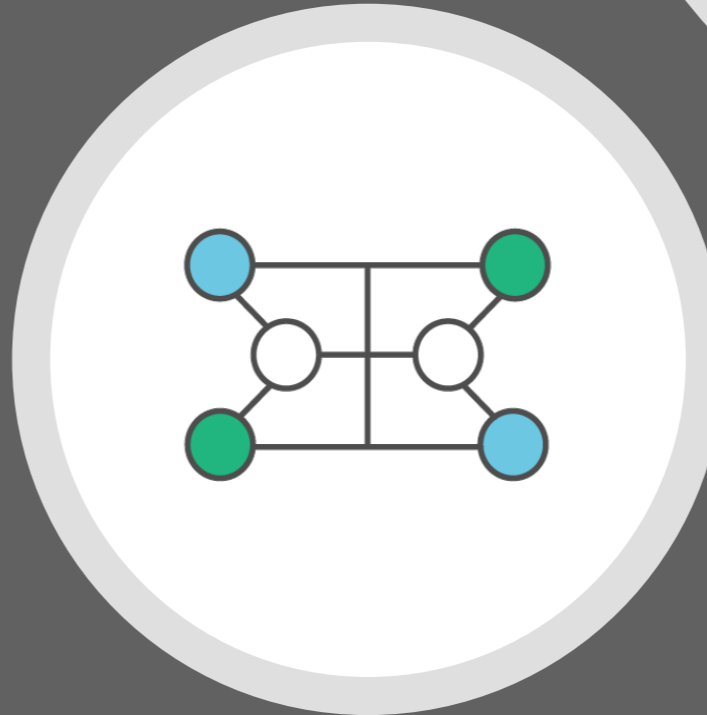
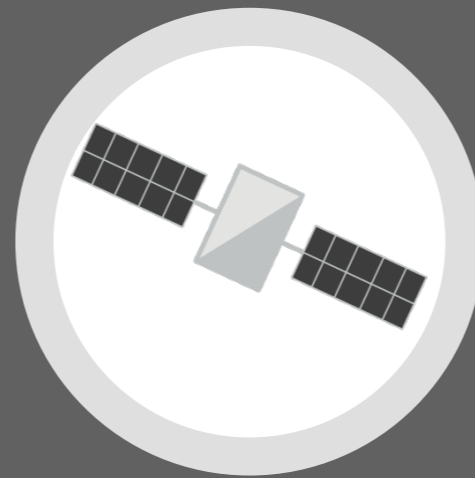
# Key objectives

## Lower the cost of in situ data collection for satellite validation

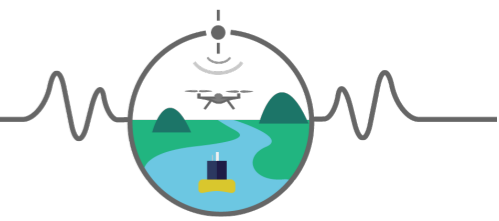
- Focus: optically complex lakes and coastal waterbodies
- Include: atmospheric and water radiometry
- Develop: sensors and platforms
  - Radiometry + water transparency / stratification
  - Long-term autonomy (maintenance, power)
  - Citizen science

## Improve data accessibility

- Sensor connectivity
- FAIR data, OGC standards
- Near real-time processing

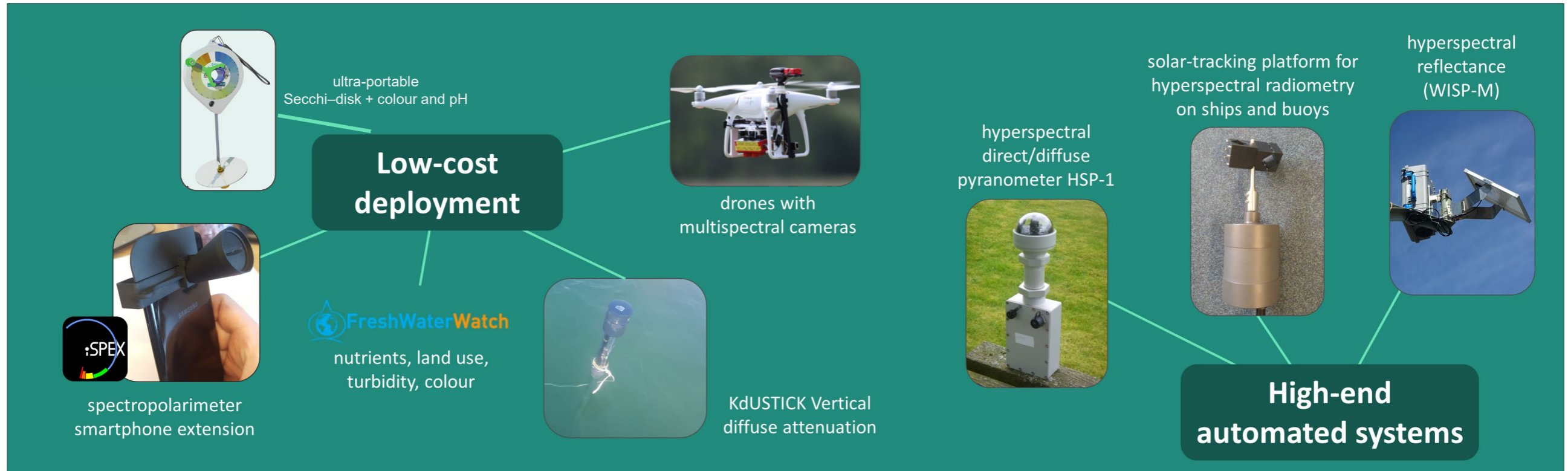


# MONOCLE sensors and platforms



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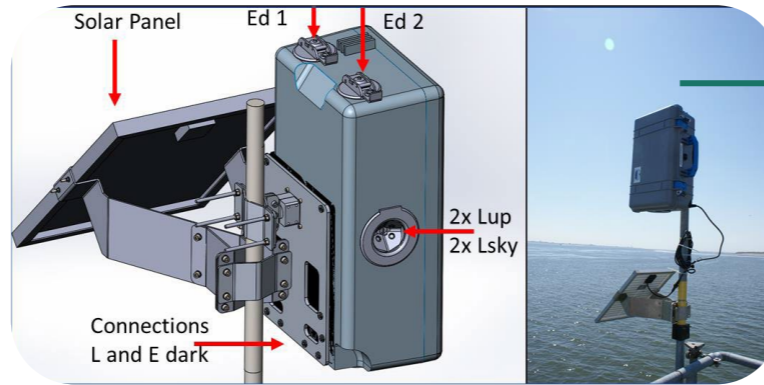
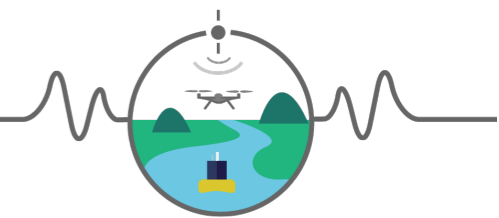
## More automation:



For the latest technical specs, videos and training materials, visit [monocle-h2020.eu/Sensors and services](https://monocle-h2020.eu/Sensors_and_services)



# Automated radiometry systems



**WISPstation** by **Water Insight** for stationary water-leaving Reflectance with two azimuth angles, 350-1100 nm, sub-nm resolution. €25k (with tech support, data handling).

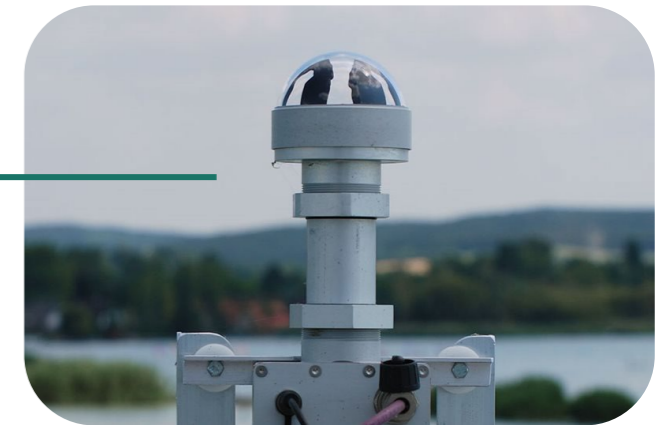


**So-Rad** (Solar-tracking radiometry platform) by **PML** for water-leaving Reflectance with existing sensors, providing azimuth angle control. €5k component cost (excl. radiometers). Open-source.



## **Peak Design HSP-1**

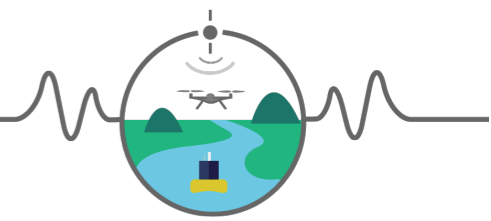
(Hyperspectral Pyranometer) for global and diffuse downwelling irradiance, 3-nm resolution over 350-950\*nm range, no moving parts. €11-17k target



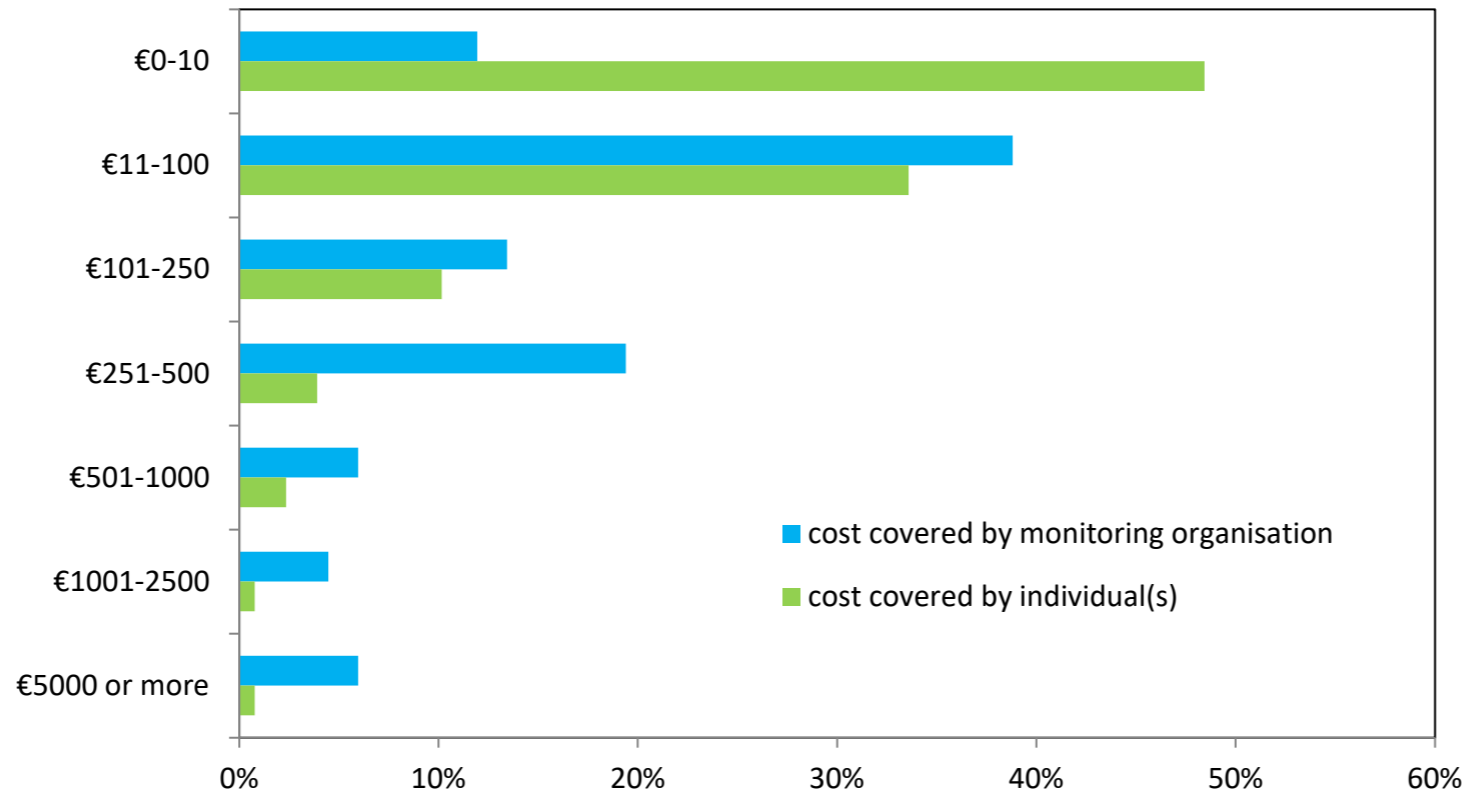
Peak Design

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

# Low-cost sensor price target



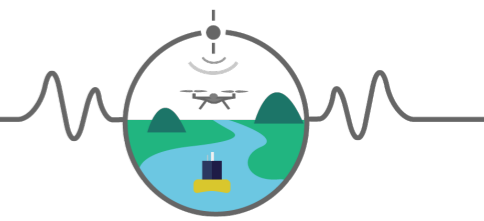
“What would be a reasonable price for a sensor operated by a volunteer to measure your main variable of interest?”



Survey response puts optimal price for volunteer-operated sensors in €10-€100 bracket



# Low-cost: manually operated radiometry



## Drone-based solutions by **VITO**

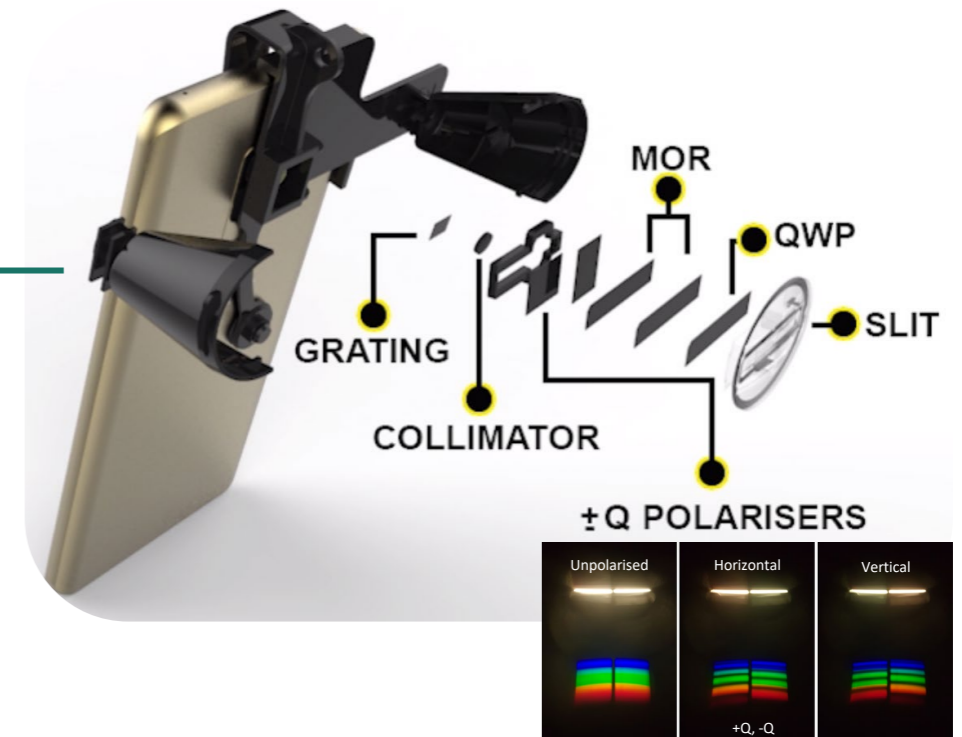
target water-leaving Reflectance from on-board RGB cameras (low-cost) as well as optional multispectral payload, supported by flight planning and data processing service MapEO-water. For 'pro-sumers'.



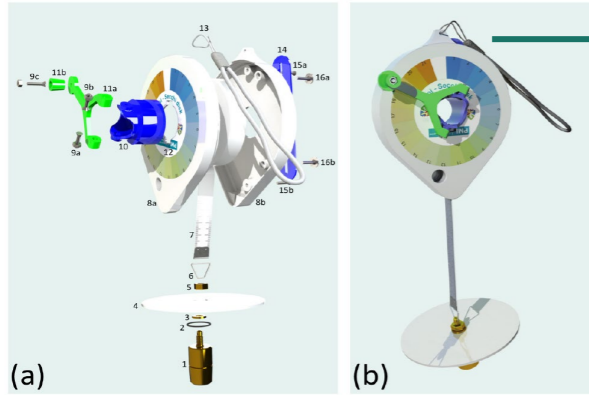
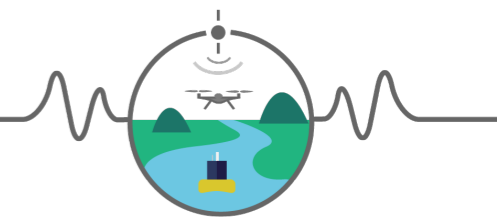
iSPEX 2 by **Leiden University** clips onto smartphone to provide hyperspectral reflectance (with polarization) using Mobley protocol (with photographer grey card) in the 400-690 nm range. Comes with app (by **DDQ**) and camera calibration database. €15-25



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# Transparency, vertical attenuation, stratification



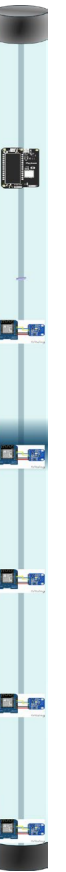
**Mini Secchi-disk** by **Brewtek** & **PML**, portable disk with Forel-Ule colour index, pH paper attachment and supporting App (by **DDQ**). Open source, 3D-printable parts, approx. €60.

Vertical attenuation using **KdUStick** by **CSIC**: chained light sensors with controller and telemetry (<€500). **KdUMod** is a more capable, modular package including RGB and temperature profiling (€2k freshwater, €6k marine)

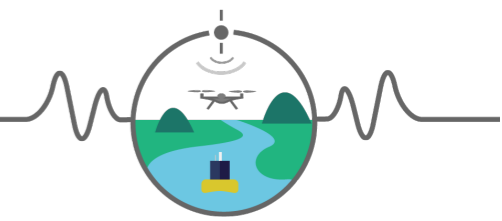


**FreshWater Watch** by **Earthwatch**

Includes Turbidity tube, nutrient kit at around €60 per citizen/year. Used globally in citizen science projects.



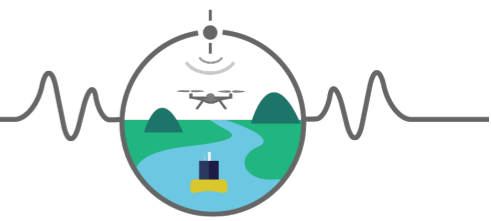
# Availability of each solution (devices and data)



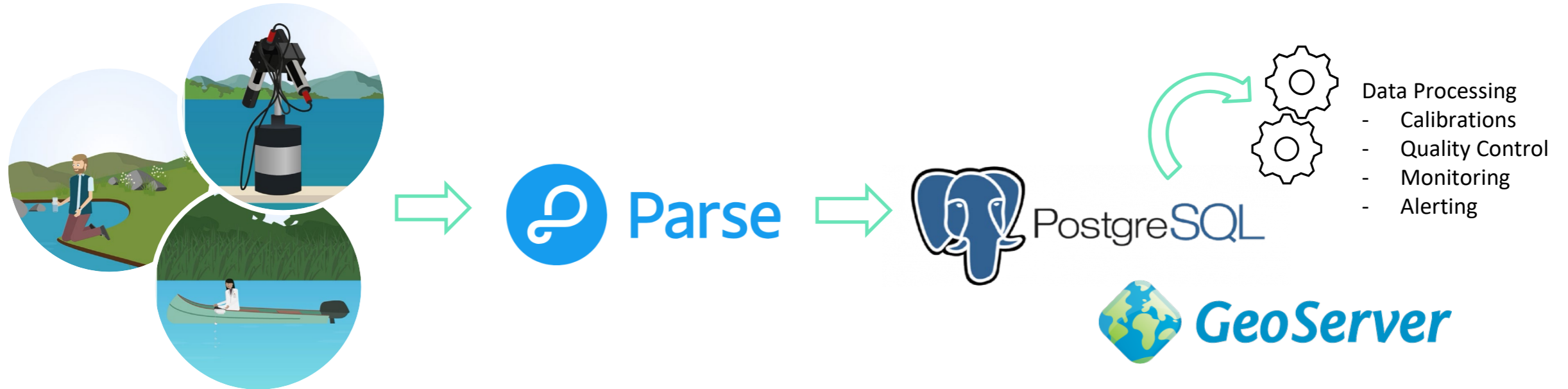
Instrument / platform	Available from	Data route(s)
<b>Hyperspectral pyranometer (HSP)</b>	Prototypes from Peak Design, UK (in discussion with global supplier)	MONOCLE geoserver (WMS, WFS)
<b>Solar-Tracking Radiometry platform (So-Rad)</b>	Plymouth Marine Laboratory, UK	MONOCLE geoserver (WMS, WFS)
<b>WISPStation</b>	Water Insight, NL	WISPcloud API
<b>MapEO UAV data processor</b>	VITO, BE	VITO geoserver (WMS, WCS)
<b>FreshWater Watch</b>	Earthwatch Europe, UK	FWW geoserver (WMS, WFS)
<b>KdUINO devices</b>	Self-build with open-source kits.	CSIC geoserver (in development, WMS, WFS)
<b>iSPEX 2 spectropolarimeter</b>	Mass production underway. Distribution license with Pocket Science (DDQ)	Pocket Science (DDQ) (on European Open Science Cloud)
<b>Mini-Secchi disk</b>	Brewtek, UK	MONOCLE geoserver & Pocket Science (DDQ) App



# Data flows



Example software stack for MONOCLE instruments:



- Data Processing
- Calibrations
  - Quality Control
  - Monitoring
  - Alerting

## Sensors and Apps

Send data + metadata

- Time and location
- Sensor, platform, operator id
- Data usage license, ownership
- ..sensor specific info

**ParseServer** receives data from mobile Apps (iSPEX 2, Mini-Secchi) and HSP1, So-Rad systems.

Data are semi-structured.  
(missing fields, new fields accepted)

Data are **structured, processed in near real-time** for each application and publicly exposed through public **GeoServer** if data license allows:

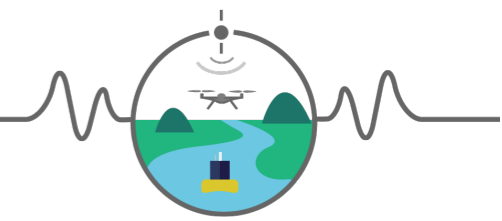
- Web Map Service
- Web Feature Service (csv, JSON, etc.)

User then points GIS at layer of interest

Sensor and client side scripts hosted on <https://github.com/monocle-h2020>

Metadata recommendations: MONOCLE D5.3 System user and developer handbook. 10.5281/zenodo.4589027

# Example use



## Using *monda* Python package to query and inspect data from a So-Rad

```
import numpy as np
import monda
from monda.sorad.data_access import sorad_access as access
from monda.sorad.data_analysis import sorad_plots as plots
import datetime
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
#choose time window and sensor platform
```

```
start_time = datetime.datetime(2022,5,15)
end_time = datetime.datetime(2022,5,19)
platform = 'PML_SR004'
```

```
#request data from WFS server
```

```
response = access.get_wfs(platform=platform, (start_time, end_time), layer='rsg:sorad_public_view_3c_full', count=1000)
```

```
# extract some data fields from response
```

```
wl = np.arange(response['result'][0]['c3_wl_grid'][0], response['result'][0]['c3_wl_grid'][1], response['result'][0]['c3_wl_grid'][2])
ed = access.get_lspectra(response, 'ed_', wl)
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```
# plot Ed spectra
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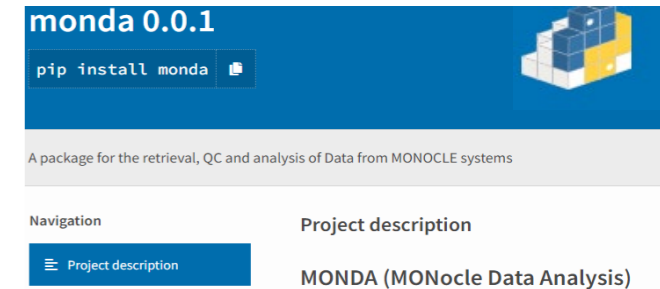
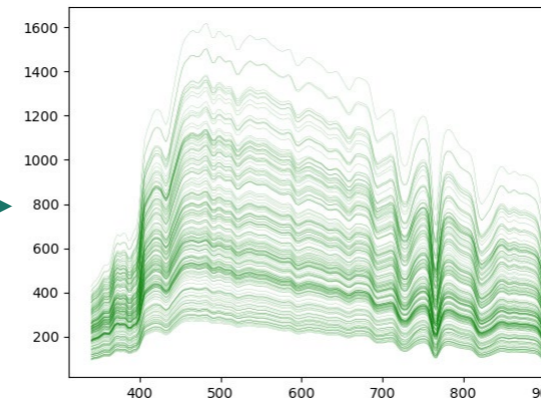
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p = [plt.plot(wl, e, '-k', lw=0.1) for e in ed]
```

Data are fetched from geoserver layer:

```
| INFO | 1561 features matched
| INFO | Need to page the request: 2 pages
| INFO | Page 0, starting at count 0: 1000 features
| INFO | Page 1, starting at count 1000: 561 features
```

Fields available:

```
>>> response['result'][0].keys()
dict_keys(['id', 'time', 'platform_id',
'sample_uuid', 'platform_uuid', 'gps_speed',
'rel_view_az', 'tilt_avg', 'tilt_std', 'license',
'c3_rmsd', 'c3_resid', 'c3_delta', 'c3_rho_s',
'c3_rho_dd', 'c3_rho_ds', 'c3_alpha', 'c3_beta',
'c3_updated', 'c3_wl_grid', 'c3_rrs', 'lt_wl',
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'ed_spectrum', 'lon', 'lat'])
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# Summary / take-home messages



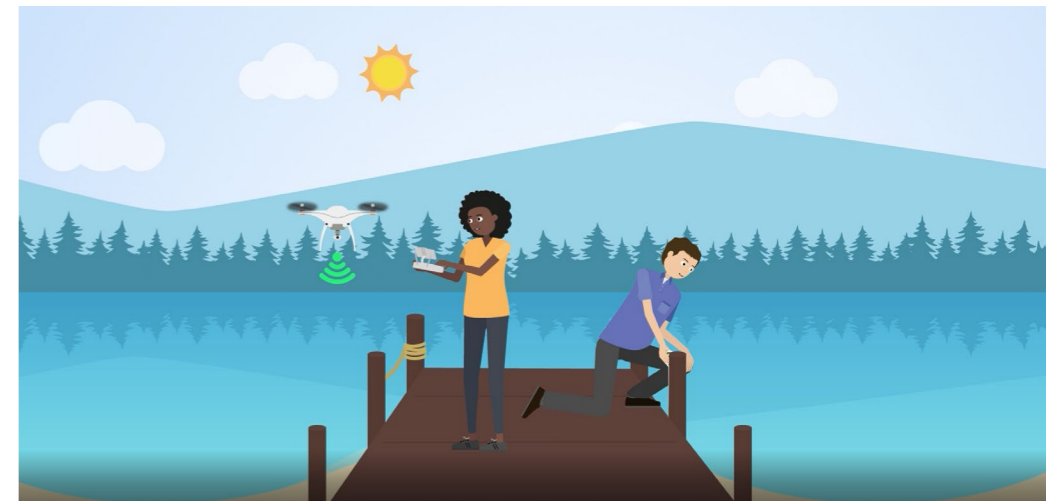
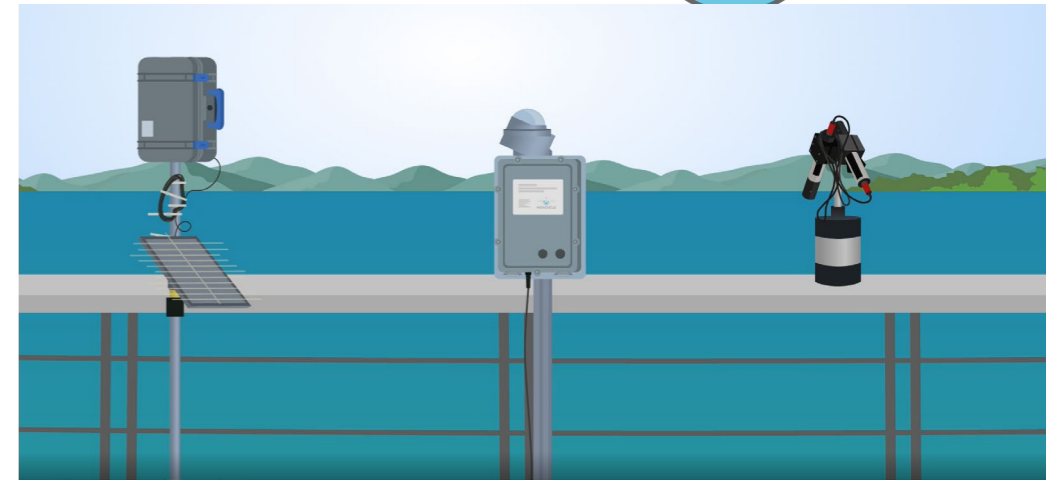
Innovative solutions were developed to obtain **water and atmosphere radiance** for satellite cal/val at multiple scales of observation using autonomous instruments, drones and smartphones.

Capital and/or maintenance costs **were reduced compared to existing solutions** through combination of innovative optics, robotics, 3d printing, low-power solutions and smartphones, and a common (but open) data back-end.

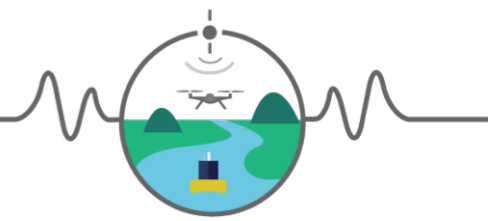
Low-cost devices range €25 to several €100s. Note: Low-cost devices are not yet 'Citizen Science'. Need to envelop the tech in sustained engagement projects, ideally with national agencies.

**OGC compatible data flows** give near real-time access to new observation data and **include calibration info, data ownership and data licence**. See next talk by Tom Jordan (PML) on how we combine sensors to derive more reliable in situ  $R_{rs}$ .

**Let's grow these sensor networks!** Get in touch to use the developed backend, add sensors, or join as a developer!



# Invitation to discuss



## MONOCLE Virtual conference

16<sup>th</sup> June 2022 12:00 – 16:00 CET

For stakeholders in research, industry, government

Session 1: Stakeholder perspectives, discussion

Session 2: Q&A with instrument developers

Please register to receive a meeting link:

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/monocleworkshop/>

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