

Remote sensing of phytoplankton in Spanish lakes and reservoirs

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GloboLakes

Global Observatory of Lake Responses to Environmental Change



Summary

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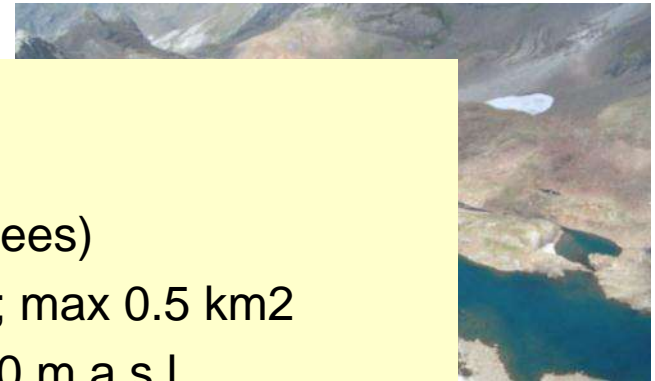
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Are there lakes in Spain?

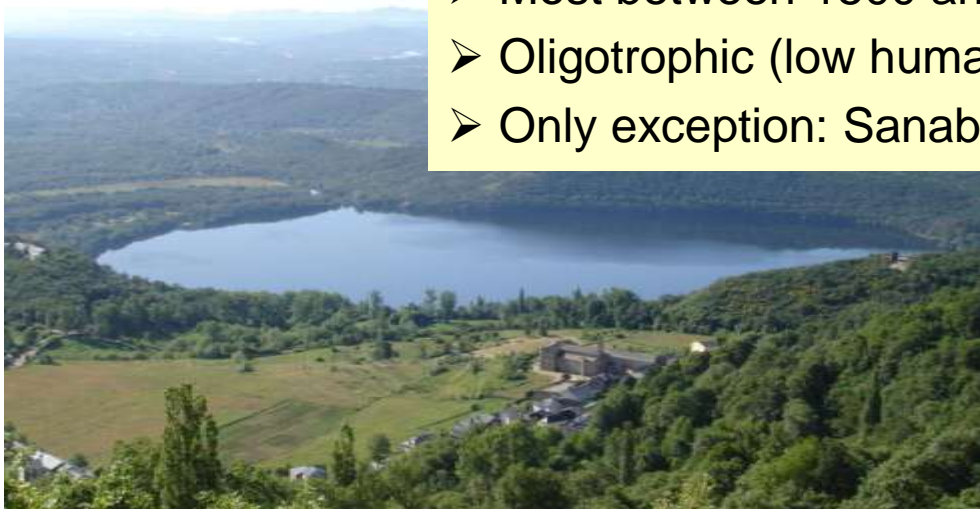
LAKES

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Glacial lakes

- About 600 (90% in the Pyrenees)
- Small size: average 0.1 km²; max 0.5 km²
- Most between 1500 and 3000 m.a.s.l.
- Oligotrophic (low human pressure)
- Only exception: Sanabria lake (NW Spain): 4 km²



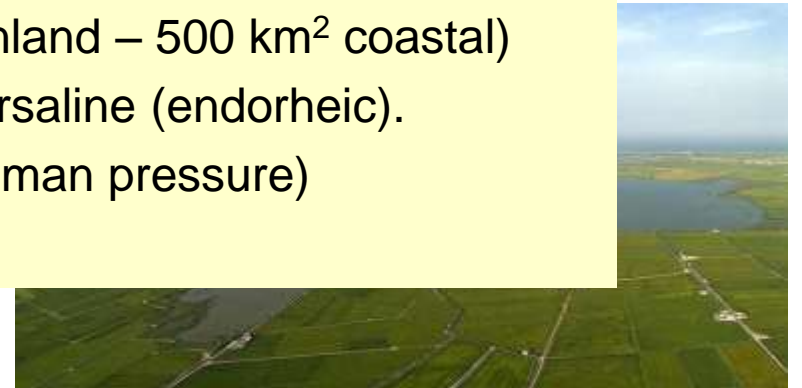
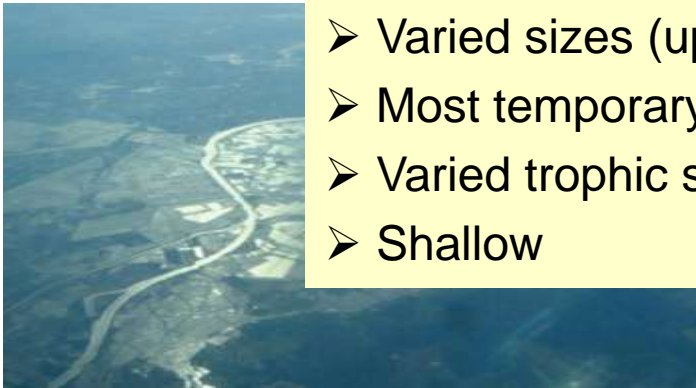
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WETLANDS



Endorheic lakes and freshwater coastal wetlands

- About 2000
- Varied sizes (up to 15 km² inland – 500 km² coastal)
- Most temporary. Often hypersaline (endorheic).
- Varied trophic state (high human pressure)
- Shallow



RESERVOIRS



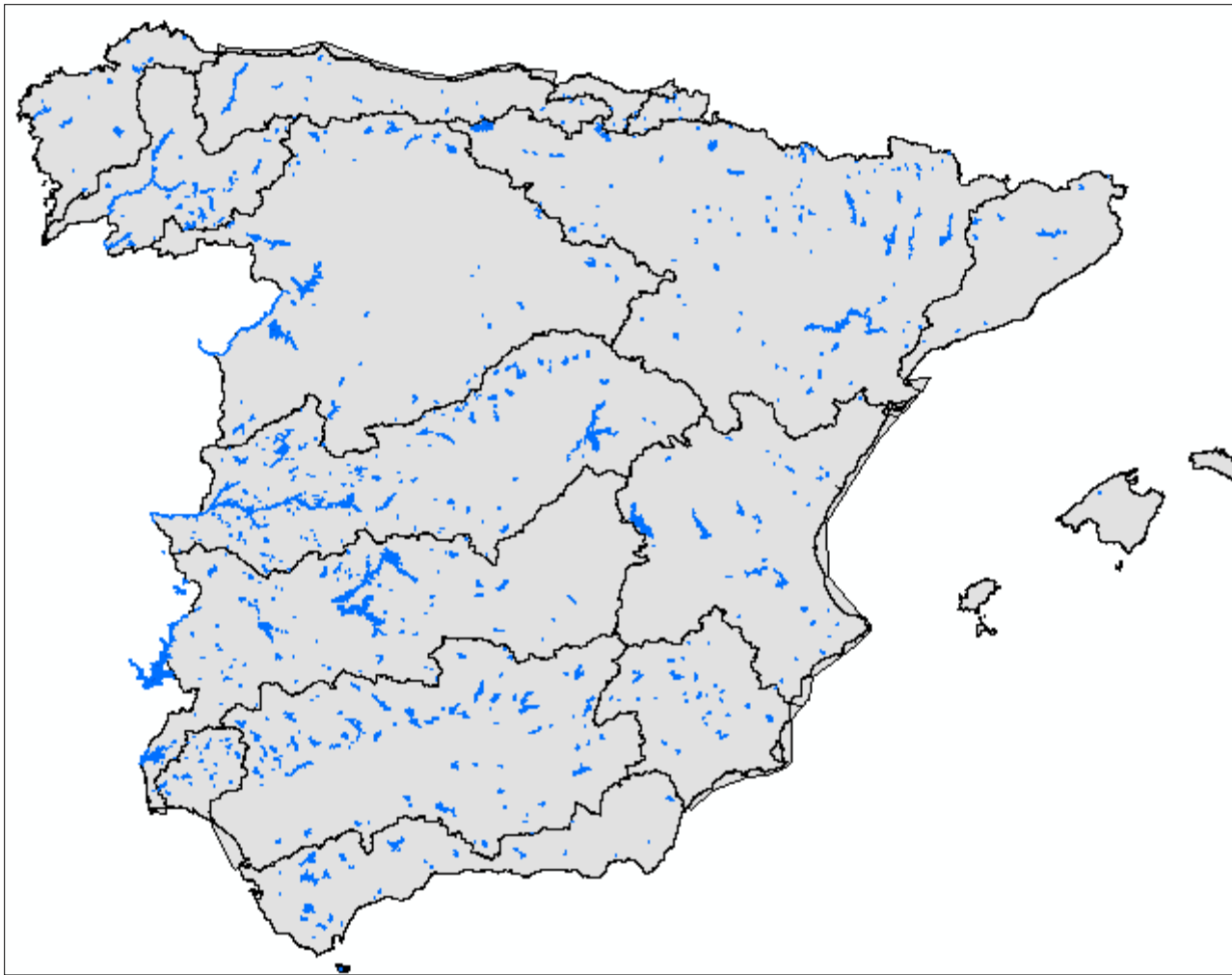
Artificial reservoirs

- **1280** “big” reservoirs (dam higher than 15 m)
- **66** bigger than 10 km² (at full capacity)
- Retention times: from days to years (up to 120 “hyperannual”)
- Diverse mineralization and catchment's geology
- Climatic gradient
- Varied trophic state (30% oligotrophic; 40% eutrophic)
- Multiple uses (irrigation, hydropower, water supply)
- Increasing human use (including recreational)
- Frequent HABs
- Understudied. Monitoring required by WFD



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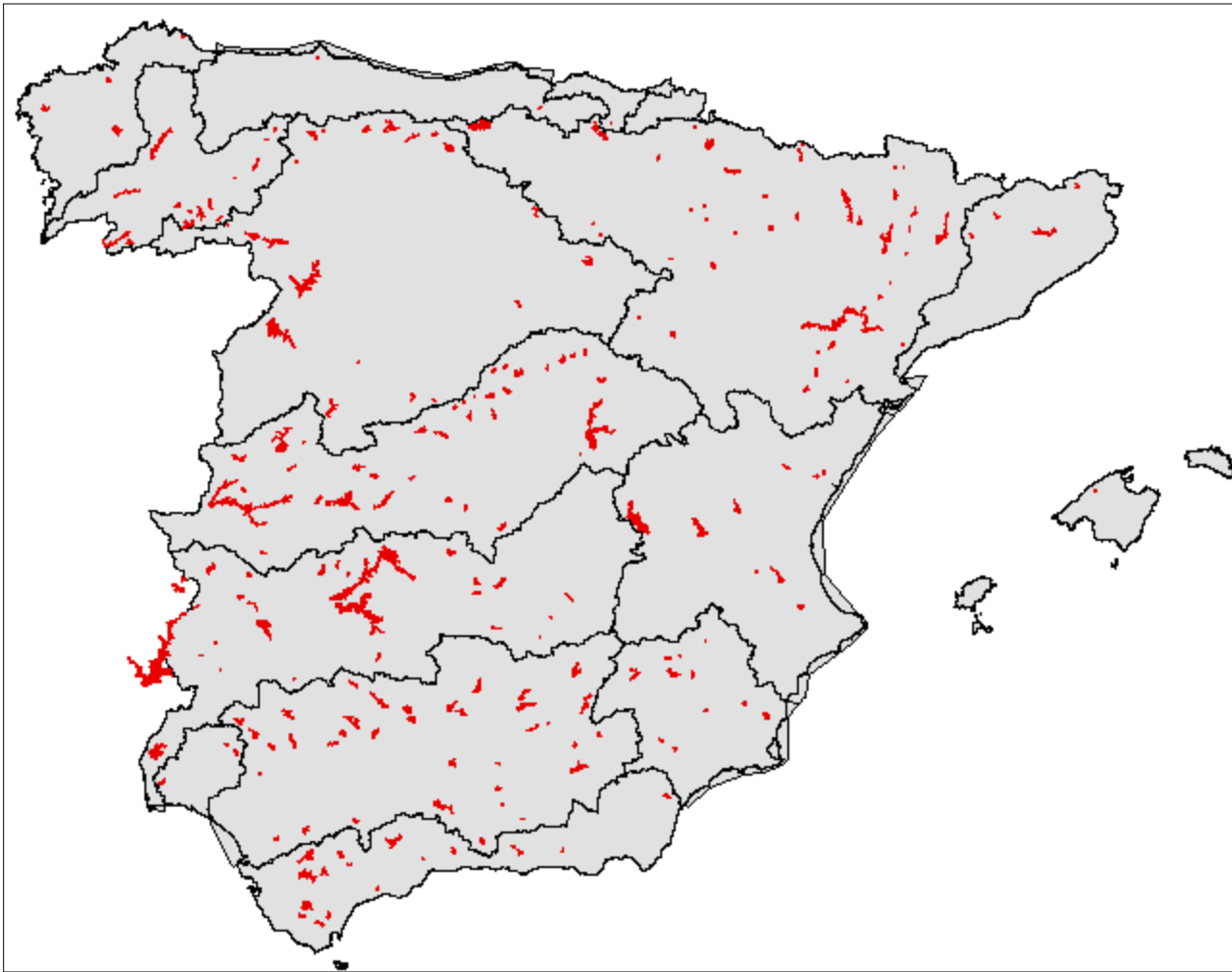
TOTAL



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> 10 “pure water pixels” in MERIS imagery



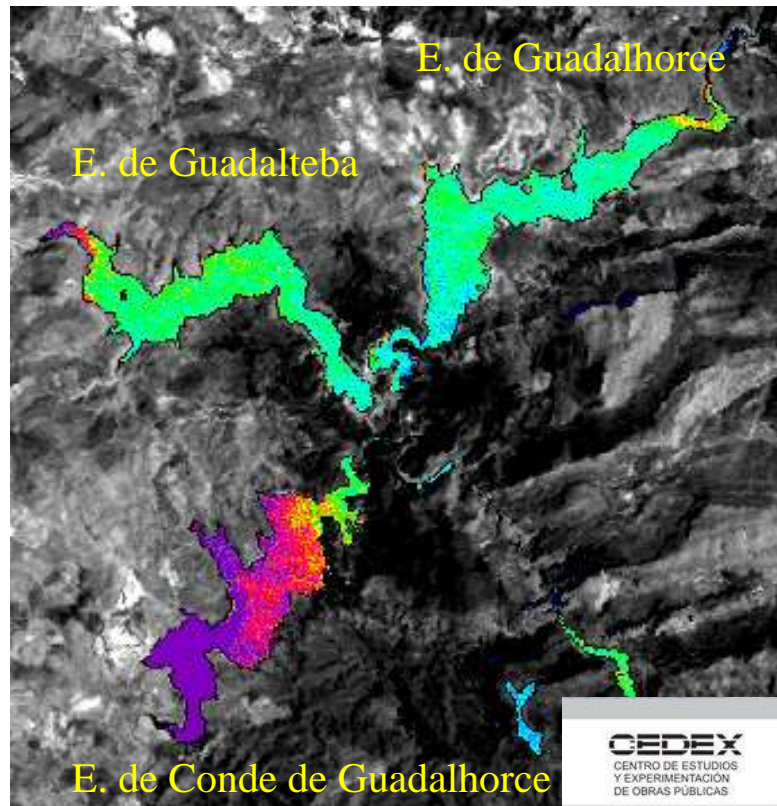
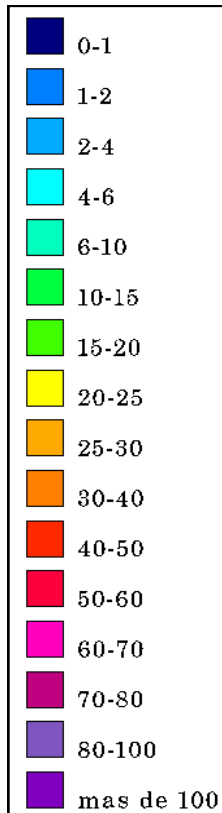
130 RESERVOIRS

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First steps: River basin surveys with Landsat-TM



- Eutrophication monitoring
- In situ measurements:
 - [Chl-a]
 - Secchi disk
 - Temperature
 - TSM (few points)
- 778 match-up points
- Empirical approach (scene-based multiple regressions without proper AC)
- Potential for image re-processing

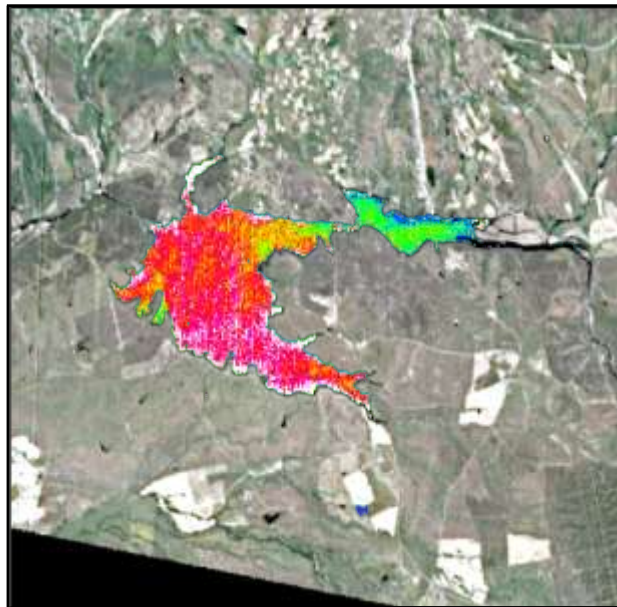
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CHRIS/PROBA in Rosarito reservoir

Phycocyanin concentration 20/05/04



0 20 60 100 140 180 220 >250 mg m⁻³

- 9 cloud-free image sets
- 46 sampling points
- In situ measurements:
 - Above water radiometry (46)
 - [HPLC] phyto pigments (33)
 - In situ fluorescence (PC, PE, Chl, CDOM; 46)
 - Phytoplankton taxonomy (3)
 - TSM; Temp; cond.; wind; other
- Empirical models and calibration of semi-empirical algorithms
- [Chl-a] and [PC] mapping

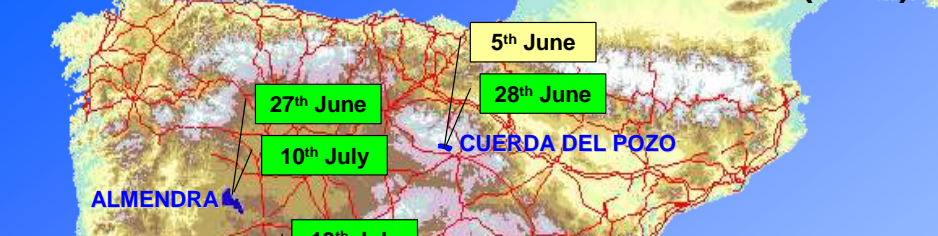
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MERIS-Lakes: Validation of MERIS Lake Water Algorithms

CHRONOLOGY OF FINISHED CAMPAIGNS (2007)



BASIC CHARACTERISTICS OF VALIDATION LAKES

Lake	Area km ²	Mean depth m	Max m	Chl-a $\mu\text{g l}^{-1}$	$a_{\text{cdom}(443)} \text{m}^{-1}$	TSM mg l^{-1}	Secchi m	Water picture
Iznájar	25	40	120	1	0.1	1	4.8	
Cuerda Pozo	14	14	40	4	0.9	3	3.2	
Almendra	79	31	202	44	0.5	3	2.0	
Rosarito	13	7	38	53	1.6	29	0.5	
Alcántara	103	31	135	256	0.6	10	1.1	
Albufera ¹	24	1.1	1.7	379	-	64	0.2	

- 5 reservoirs and 1 lake
- 55 sampling points
- In situ measurements:
 - Above water radiometry (55)
 - In situ (AC-s) and lab IOPs (a_{phyto} ; a_{CDOM} ; a_{DET} ; b_b ; 35)
 - [HPLC] phyto pigments (35)
 - In situ fluorescence (PC, 46)
 - AOT (6)
 - TSM; Temp; cond.; wind; other
- 7 match-ups with MERIS
- Algorithm validation (EUL+ICOL)

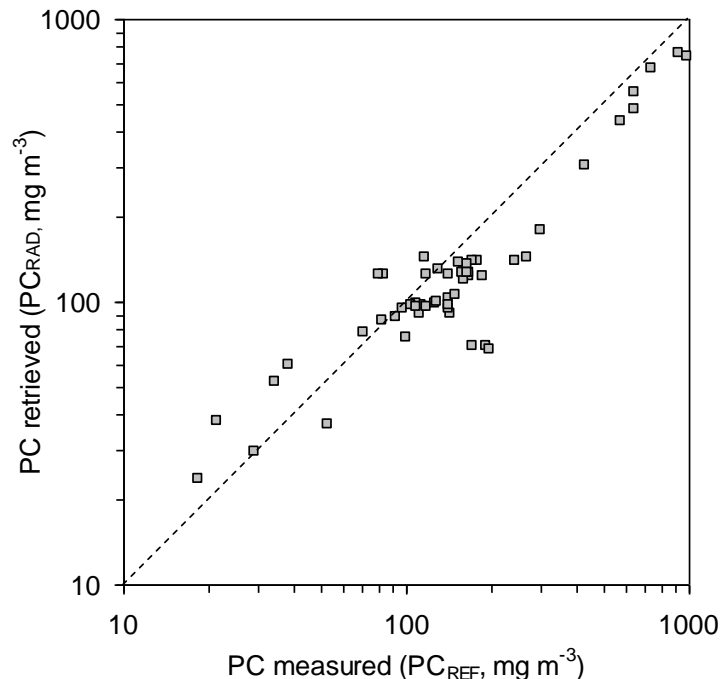
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Validation of C-PC retrieval Algorithms

Nested Semiempirical Band Ratio



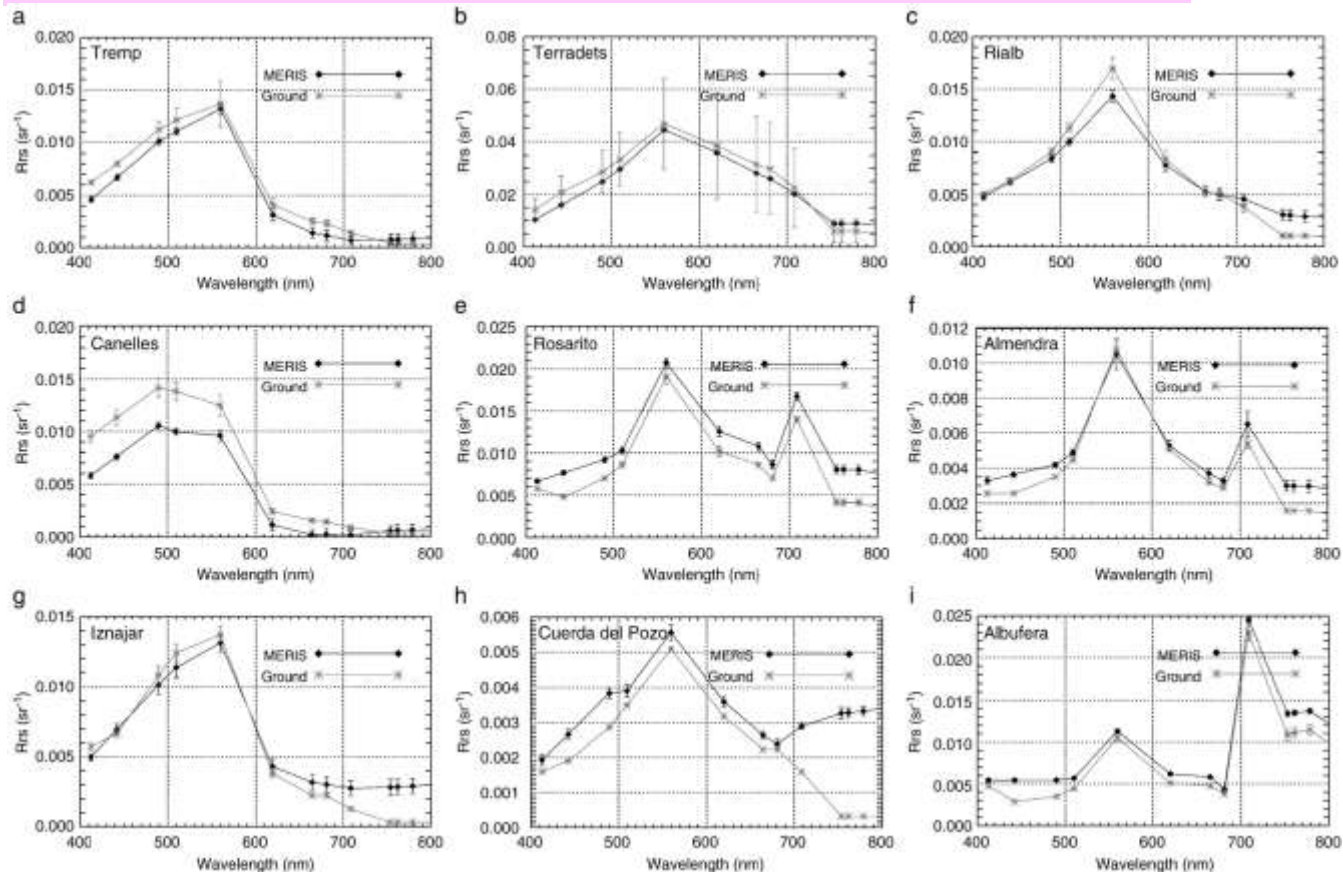
- Common database of Spanish and Dutch lakes
- 193 sampling points (Spain)
- Evaluation of algorithms:
 - Single Reflectance Ratio
 - Baseline Semiempirical
 - Nested Semiempirical Band Ratio

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Validation of MERIS AC algorithm (SCAPE-M)



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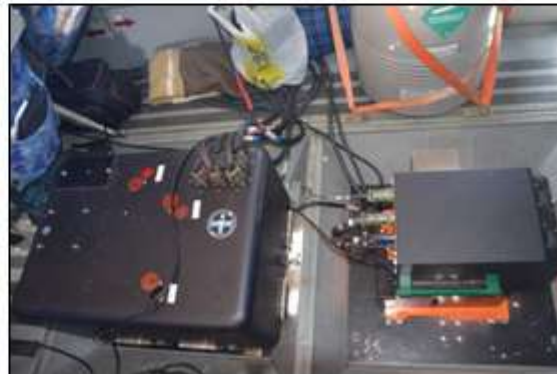
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Hyperspectral airborne campaigns of inland water quality



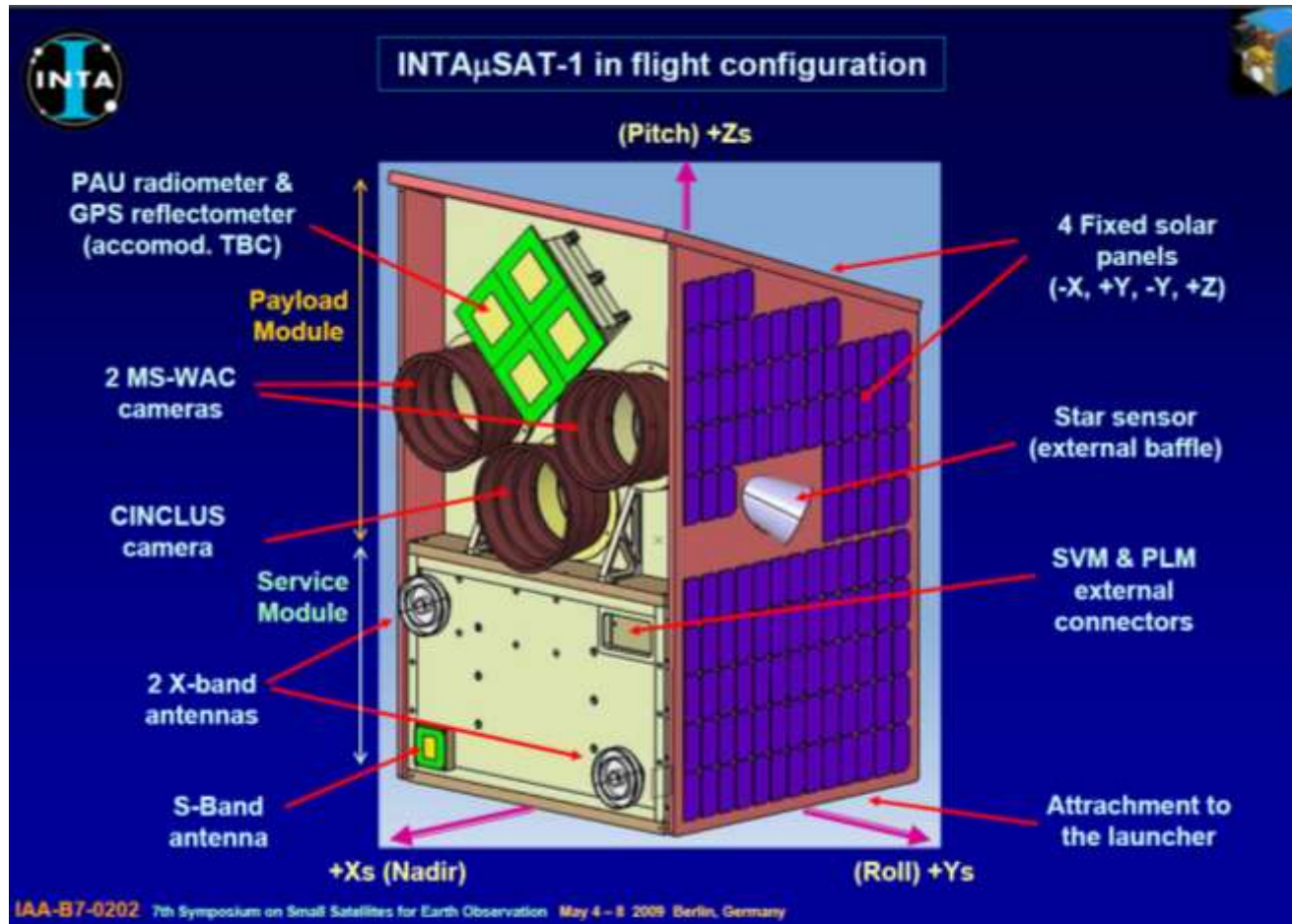
- CASA C-212 aircraft
 - CASI 1500i (VNIR)
 - AHS (VNIR-SWIR-TIR)
- Field measurements (ASD-FR; CimeI)
- Calibration facilities
- Image processing laboratories
- L1b (geolocated at-sensor radiances)
- L2 (geolocated reflectances)



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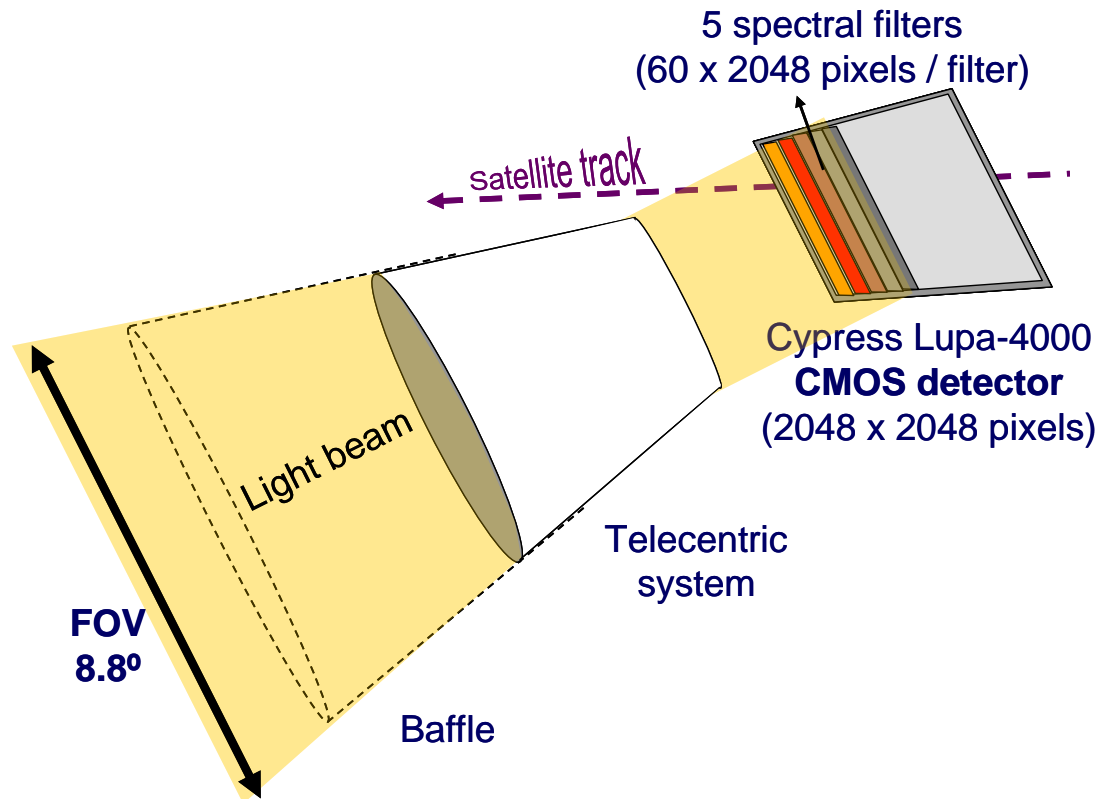
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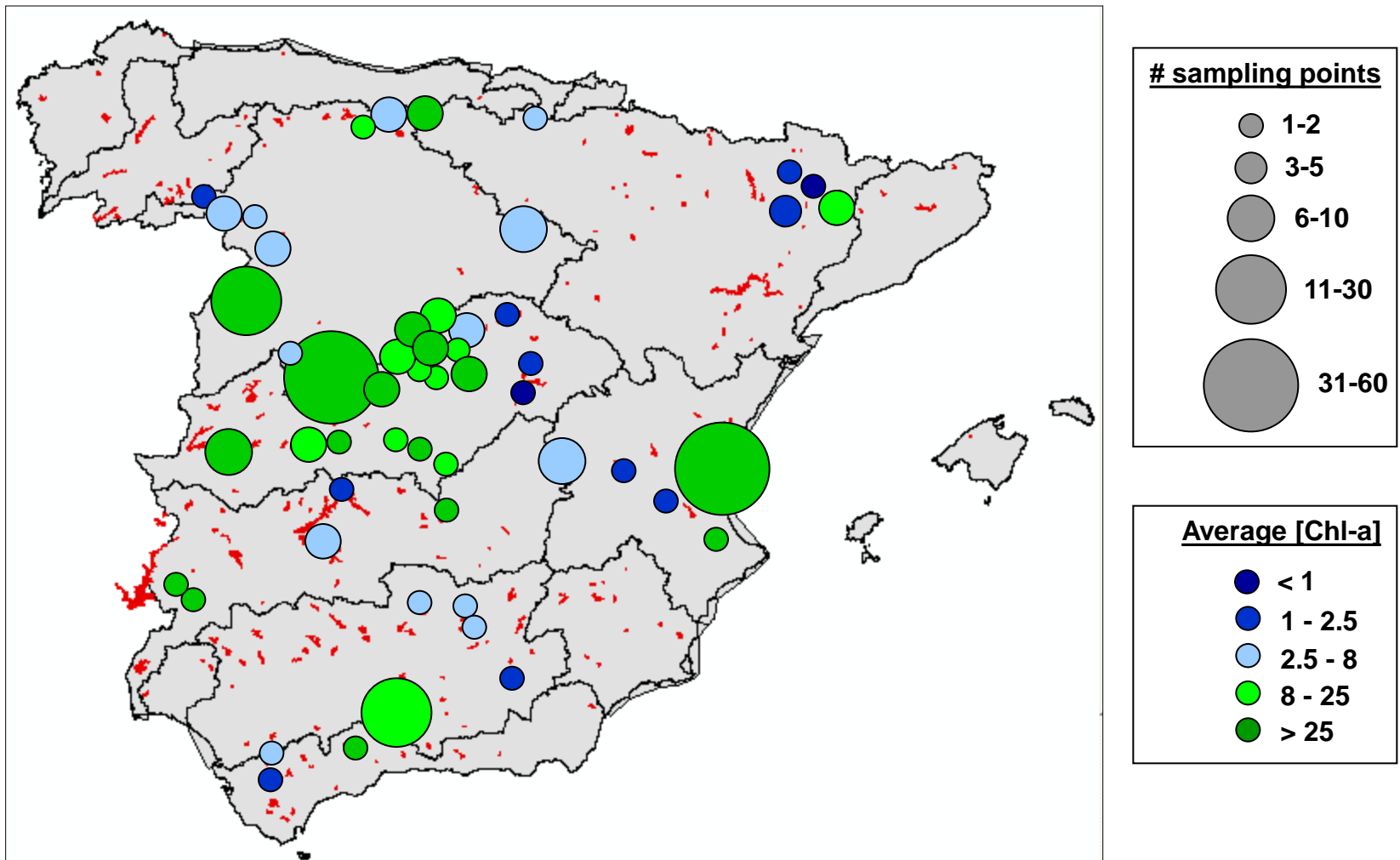


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BIO-OPTICAL SAMPLING CAMPAIGNS 2001-2007



56 RESERVOIRS AND 2 LAKES

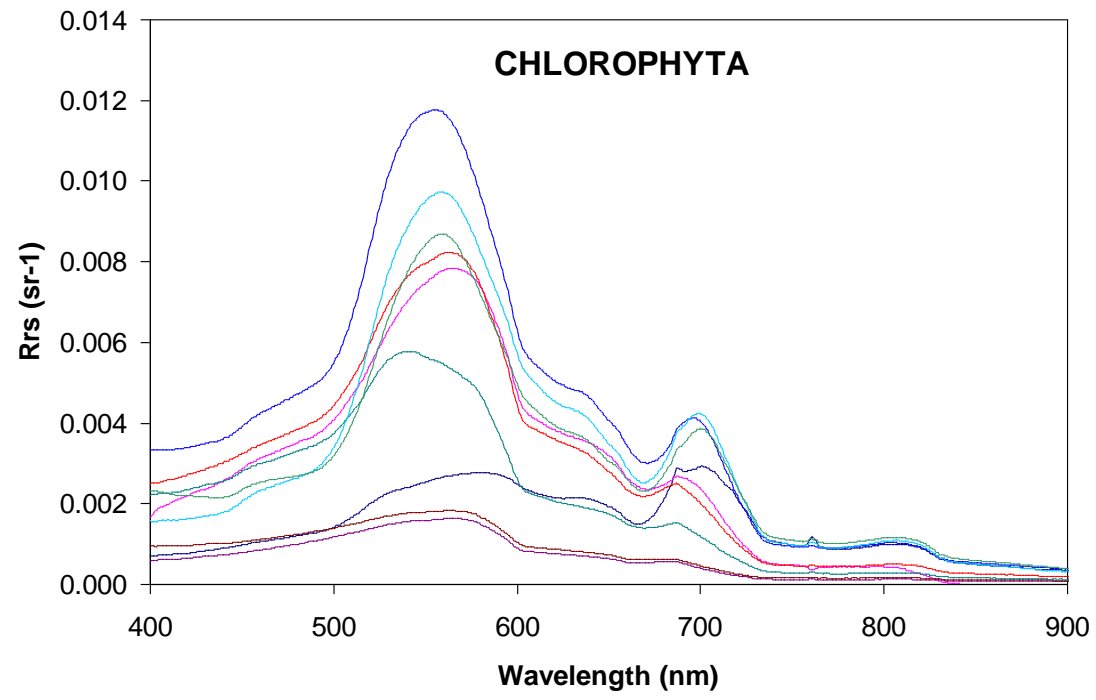
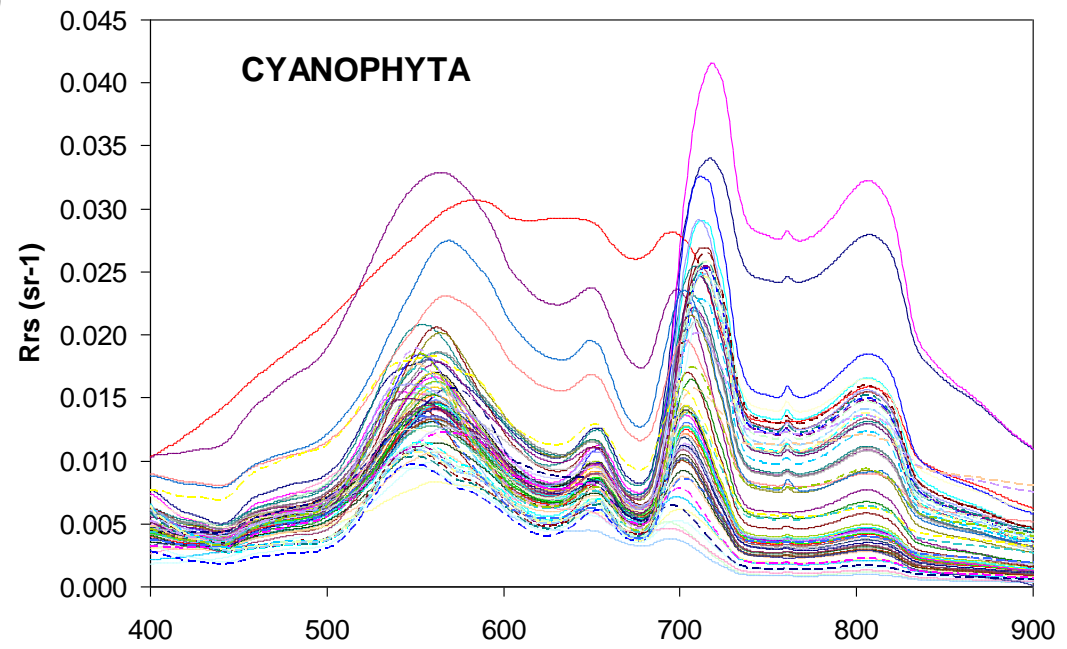
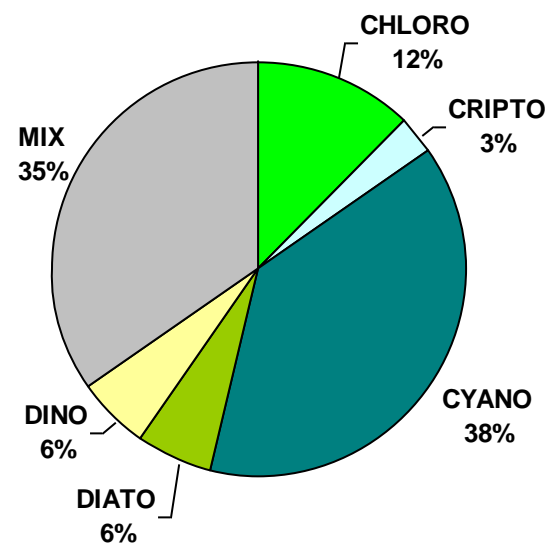
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STATISTICS OF MAIN WATER QUALITY VARIABLES

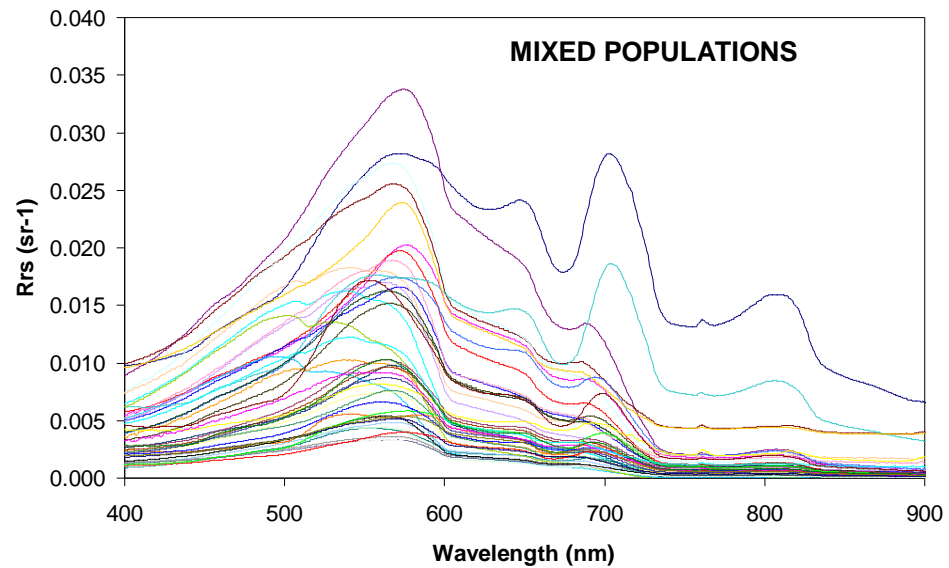
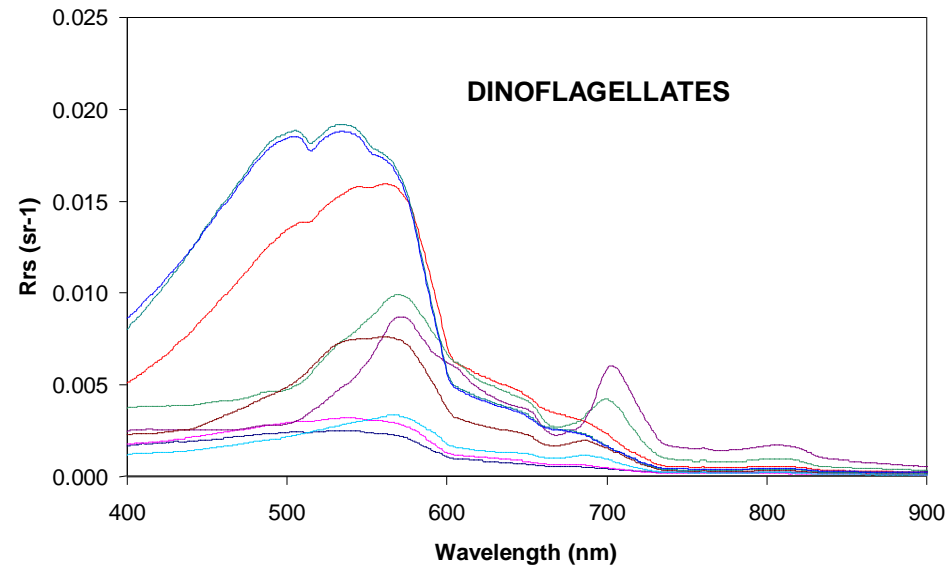
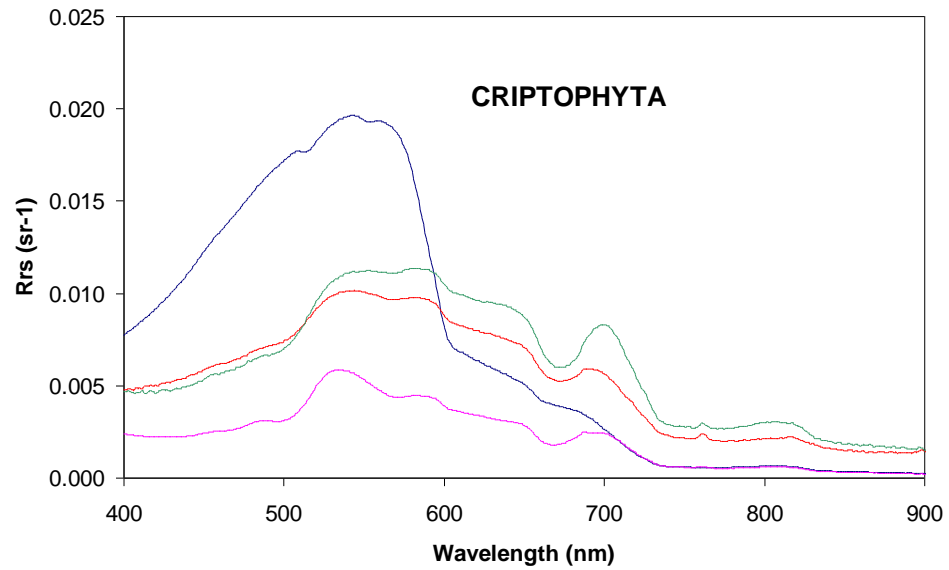
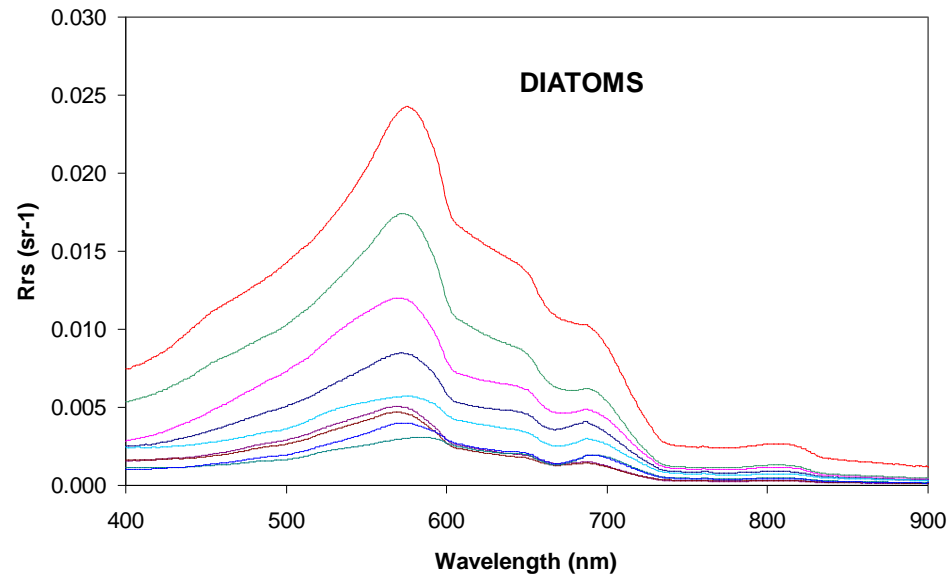
	a_{440_CDOM} (m^{-1})	[Chl-a] ($mg\ m^{-3}$)	[PC] ($mg\ m^{-3}$)	[TSM] ($g\ m^{-3}$)	Z_SECCHI (m)
N	193	204	156	139	221
MIN	0.05	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.1
10 PERCENTILE	0.23	1.4	0.0	0.7	0.3
MEDIAN	0.64	23.2	29.8	2.8	1.7
MEAN	0.67	65.8	102.8	6.9	2.1
90 PERCENTILE	1.09	191.3	199.8	11.1	4.8
MAX	4.80	705.0	1040.0	78.8	11.5

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**DOMINANT PHYTOPLANKTON GROUP
(153 SAMPLES)**



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4. Concluding remarks (usefulness for GloboLakes)

Usefulness of Spanish dataset for GloboLakes

- Diverse dataset (wide gradient of environmental variables)
- Adequate for phytoplankton studies
 - Reservoir shape and hydrologic / climate regime favour sedimentation in tail and stratification in open waters
 - Semi-arid climate favours low CDOM
 - Eutrophication is widespread: High phytoplankton biomass
 - Phytoplankton dominates RS signal (“pseudo case 1 waters”)
- Adequate for cyanobacteria studies (C-PC retrieval)
- Dataset comprising radiometric, pigment and taxonomic data
- 23 MERIS match-up dates (24 for Landsat-TM)
- 9 CHRIS/Proba match-up dates
- Hyperspectral airborne data

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