



# JAXA updates since CGMS-50 and report on the medium to long-term future plans

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## Executive summary of the WP

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- GOSAT and GOSAT-2 provides a decade long GHG observation globally. JAXA contributes to develop the concept of WMO coordinated Global Greenhouse Gas Watch (G3W) in defining the role of satellite products.

## Current and future JAXA Earth Observation Missions contributing to Science and Societal Benefits

### Current

Greenhouse  
gases



Water  
Cycle



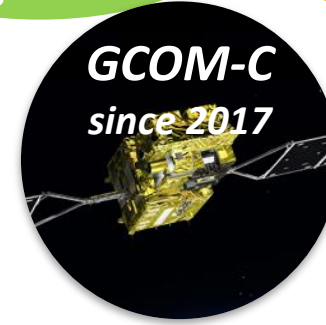
Precipitation



Disaster/  
Forest



Cloud/  
Aerosols/  
Vegetation



Greenhouse  
gases



### Future

Cloud/Aerosol  
Radiation Budget



EarthCARE  
CPR:  
Cloud Profiling Radar

Greenhouse  
gases  
(MOE Mission)



Water  
Cycle  
(JAXA Mission)

Disaster/  
Forest



**GCOM-C**

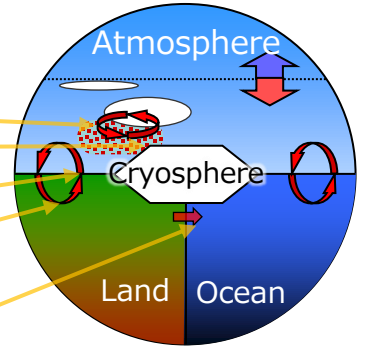
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**Energy Budget**

**Carbon & Material Cycle**

Examples of the current focus:

- ✓ **Aerosol, cloud, and solar radiation**
- ✓ **Arctic change including Greenland ice sheet**
- ✓ **Wildfire processes including land cover change and aerosol emission**
- ✓ **Seasonal and year-to-year change of the vegetation**
- ✓ **ocean ecosystem and carbon cycle including land-ocean interface**



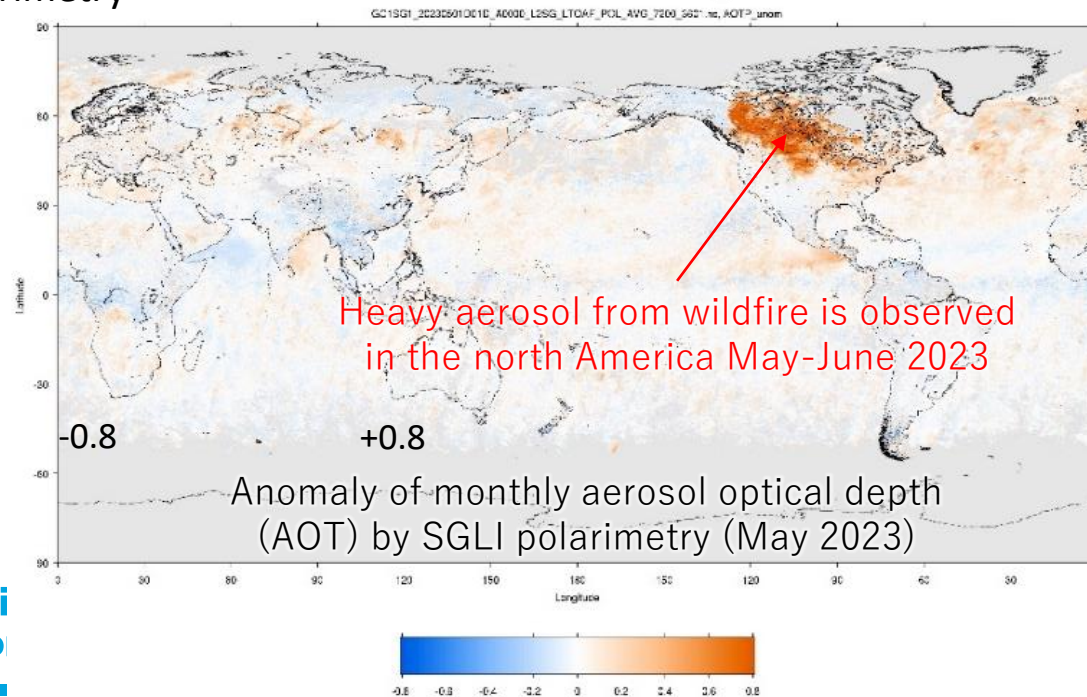
**Earth system model**

Collaboration with earth system model researches

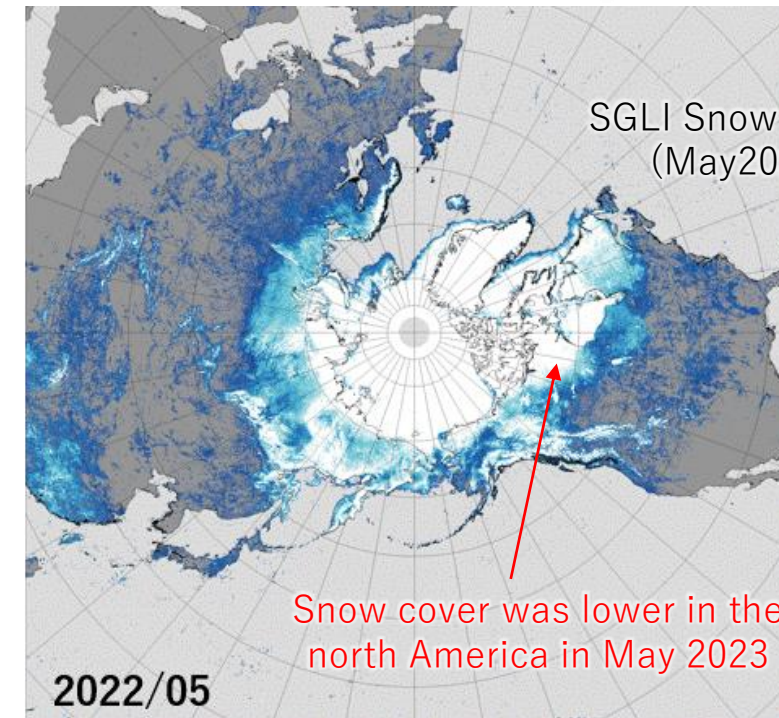
**GCOM-C/SGLI characteristics:**

- ✓ 250-m spatial resolution with >1150km swath
- ✓ 19 channels from Near-UV to thermal infrared wavelengths
- ✓ Polarimetry

**Aerosol monitoring**



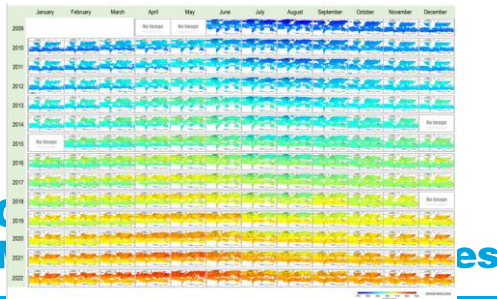
**Polar area monitoring**



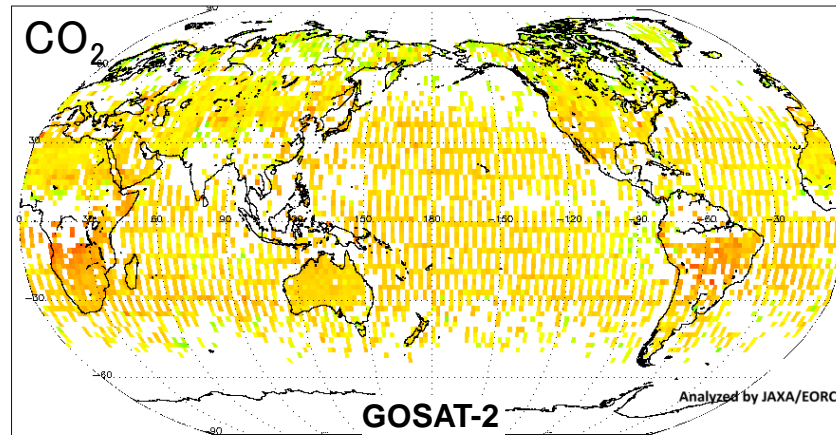
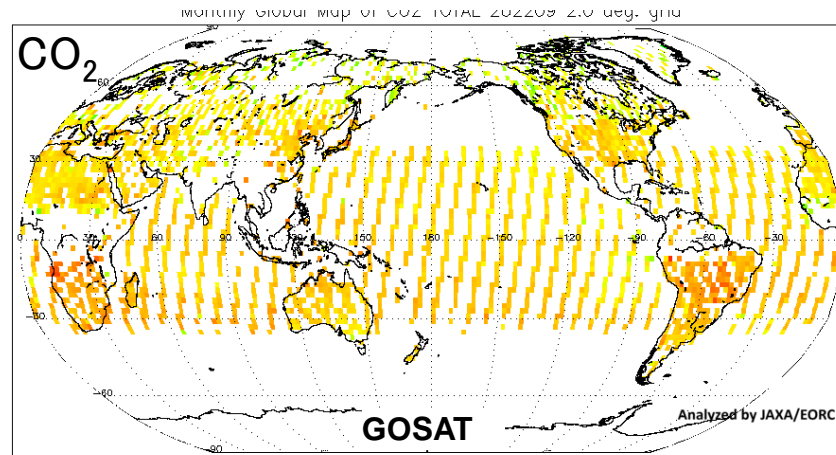


## A-decade-long GHG observation by GOSAT series: Greenhouse gases Observing SATellite (GOSAT) & GOSAT-2

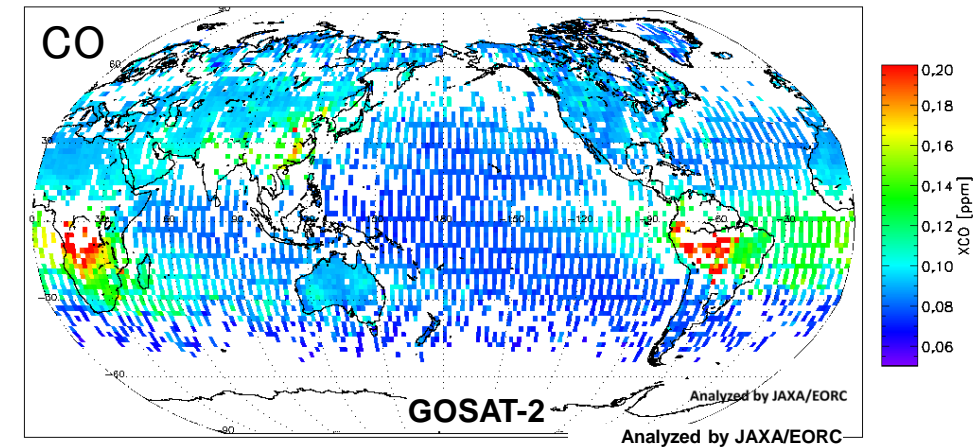
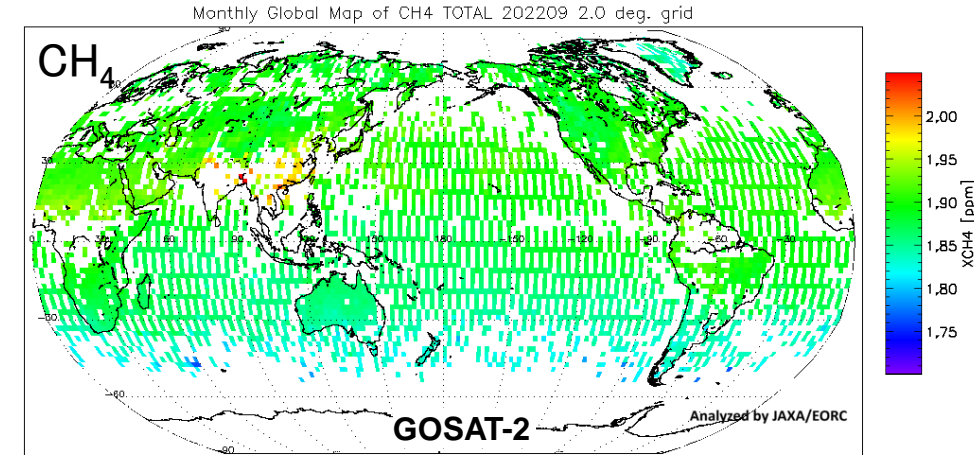
Carbon  
& Material  
Cycle



### CO<sub>2</sub> Observation

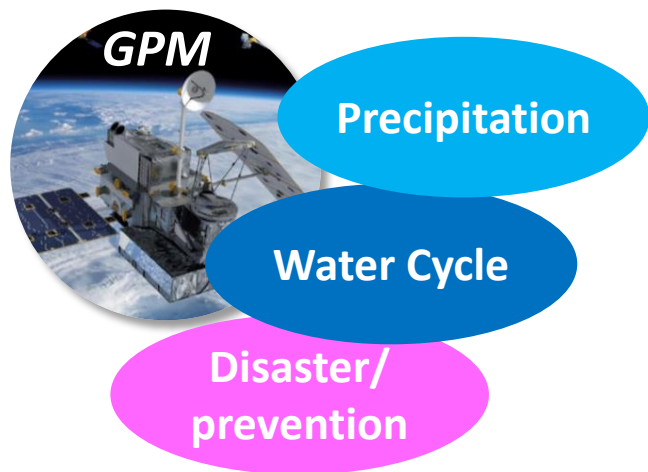


### CH<sub>4</sub> (upper) & CO (lower) Observation



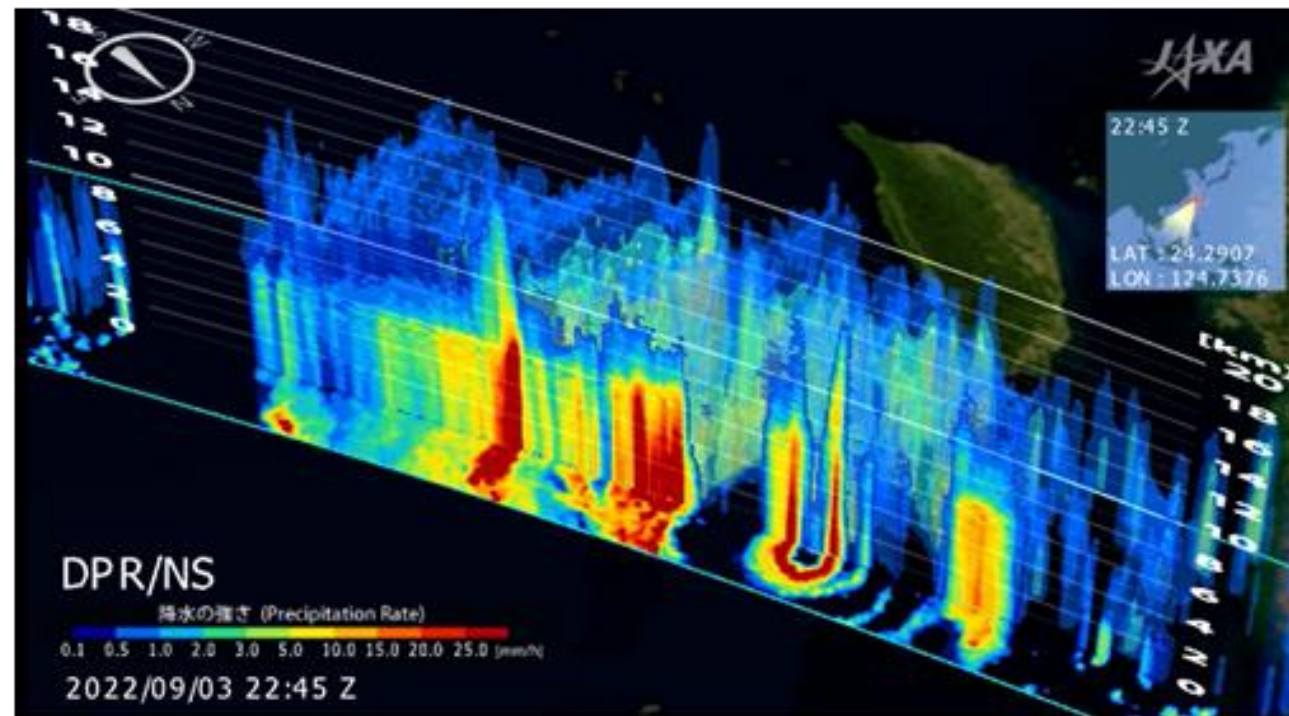
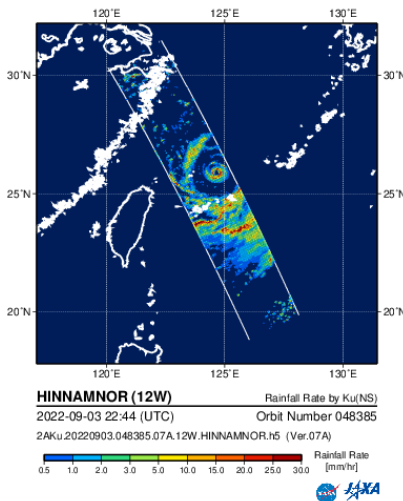
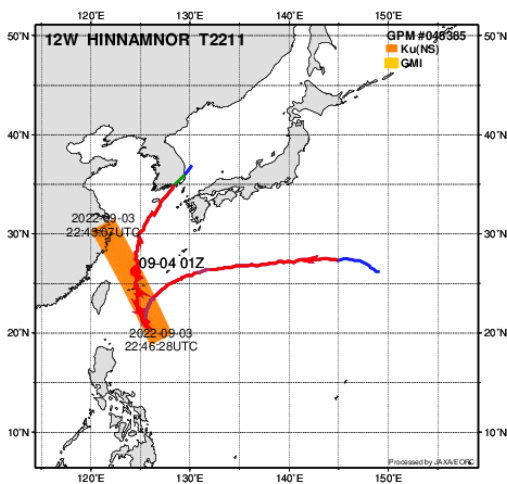
Global CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations observed by GOSAT and GOSAT-2, CH<sub>4</sub> and CO (September 2022)  
2009-2022 seasonal variation and year-to-year increase of global CO<sub>2</sub> observed by GOSAT.

## Utilization of Precipitation Radar in NWP: Assimilation of 3D information derived by GPM/DPR in JMA



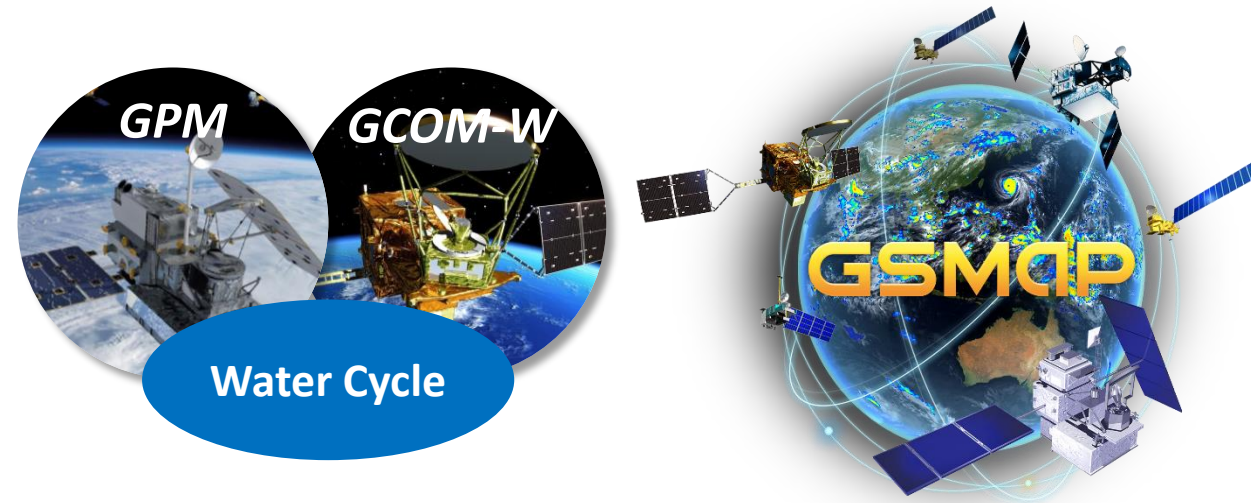
- The Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA) started the Global Precipitation Measurement Mission (GPM) / Dual-frequency Precipitation Radar (DPR) assimilation in the meso-NWP system on March 24, 2016 (<https://doi.org/10.1002/qj.3950>).
- The assimilation technique for the DPR by the JMA was **improved on 30th June 2022**. This included an improvement related to the scan pattern change of the DPR in May 2018.

### 3-D precipitation of the typhoon (Super Typhoon HINNAMNOR) by GPM/DPR in 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep.2022





## WMO Space-based Weather and Climate Extremes Monitoring (SWCEM)



- **Global Satellite Mapping of Precipitation (GSMaP)** is the Japanese precipitation product, and Graphical User Interface of the "JAXA Global Rainfall Watch" website (<https://sharaku.eorc.jaxa.jp/GSMaP/index.htm>) is available based upon the GSMaP product.

- JAXA attends **WMO** Space-based Weather and Climate Extremes Monitoring (**SWCEM**) project and provide the **GSMaP product** with about 22yr-climate data to National Meteorological and Hydrological Service in **Asia and Pacific regions**.



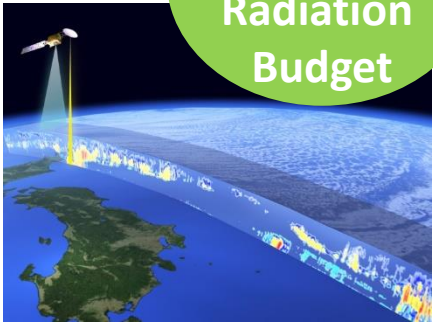
- In June 2022, JAXA started to distribute the **GSMaP real time data (GSMaP\_NOW)** to the SWCEM members, corresponding to the recommendation in the Steering Group meeting (SG-SWCEM-EAWP-4) held on March 2022.
- JAXA is preparing the release of the reprocessing GSMaP data and will **re-calculate the climate normal again** for the WMO project by the end of July 2023.

## Future Missions for Climate & Water: EarthCARE (2024) & GOSAT-GW (2024)

To be launched  
in 2024



Cloud/  
Aerosol  
Radiation  
Budget



- Europe-Japan joint mission
- 3 dimensional global distributions of cloud and aerosol to contribute to precise understanding of climate change
- JAXA and NICT provides world's first satellite-based cloud vertical motion by the Cloud Profiling Radar (CPR) with 94 GHz with Doppler Capability at 0.8 km spatial resolution.

Orbit	Sun-synchronous sub-recurrent orbit Altitude: approx. 400km Inclination angle: 97.05° Local Sun Time at Desc.: 14:00 Revisit time: 25 days
Instruments	- <b>Cloud Profiling Radar (CPR)</b> by NICT & JAXA - Atmospheric Lidar (ATLID) by ESA - Multi-Spectral Imager (MSI) by ESA - Broad-Band Radiometer (BBR) by ESA
Mass	Approx. 2.2 tons at launch
Designed lifetime	3 years

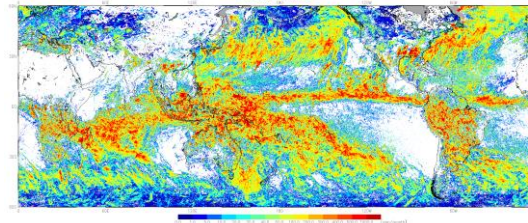
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Cycle

Green-  
house  
gases

AMSR3 for both snow & rain



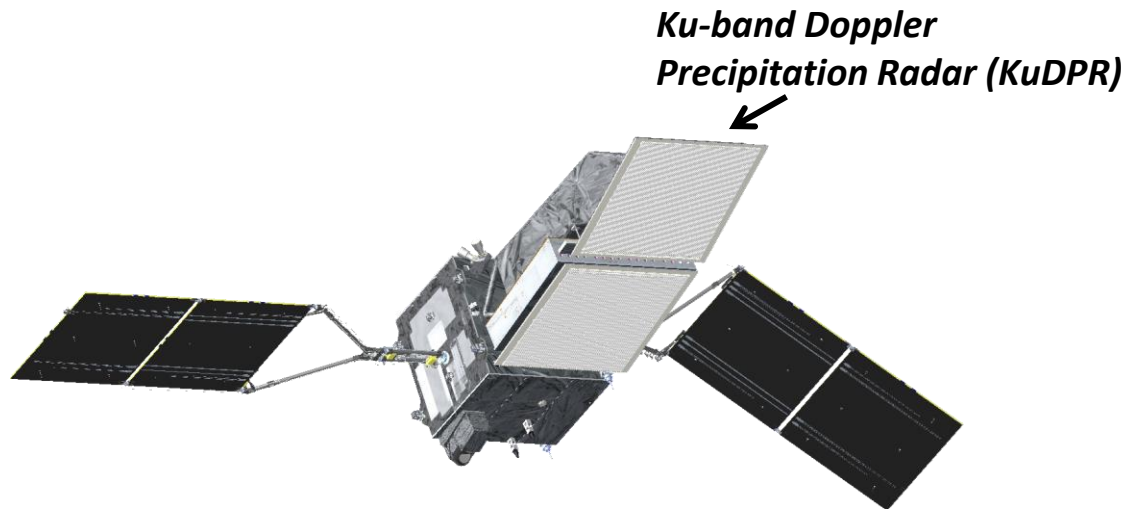
- Carrying two instruments, AMSR3 and TANSO-3.
  - AMSR3 (JAXA) will succeed AMSR series observations with adding new high frequency channels (166 & 183 GHz) for snow fall retrievals and water vapor analysis for numerical weather prediction.
  - TANSO-3 (led by Ministry of Environment in Japan) uses imaging spectrometer technology to measure CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> globally with medium and locally with high spatial resolution.

Orbit	Sun-synchronous sub-recurrent orbit Altitude: approx. 666km Inclination angle: 98.06° Local Sun Time at Desc.: 1:30 +/- 15 min Revisit time: 3 days
Instruments	- <b>Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer 3 (AMSR3)</b> - <b>Total Anthropogenic and Natural emissions mapping SpectrOMeter-3 (TANSO-3)</b> (for Ministry of Environment in Japan (MOE))
Mass	Approx. 2.6 tons at launch
Designed lifetime	<b>7 years</b>



## Next Generation Precipitation Radar planned in JAXA: Precipitation Measuring Mission (PMM)

- In June 2023, **JAXA's Precipitation Measuring Mission (PMM) Project Team** was established on for the Spacecraft carrying the Ku-band Doppler Precipitation Radar, with participation in NASA Atmosphere Observing System (AOS) mission.
  - International collaboration with NASA AOS missions will enable us integrated understanding of Aerosol~Cloud~Precipitation processes
  - It also enhances the mission value for improving weather/climate models in the context of international collaboration.
- In December 2022, Implementation Plan of the “Basic Plan on Space Policy” noting the Precipitation Radar Satellite Phase B activity targeting the launch of **JFY2028 (April 2028 to March 2029)** was released from Cabinet Office of the Japanese government.



(a design life of 5 years)

### Major characteristics

Frequency	13.6 GHz
Observation modes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Doppler obs. mode</li> <li>▪ Dense sampling obs. mode</li> <li>▪ Normal scan obs. mode</li> </ul>

The Ku-band Doppler Precipitation Radar (KuDPR) will be **two-antenna system** that adopts Displaced Phase Center Antenna (**DPCA**) approach (Durden et al. 2007, Tanelli et al. 2016).

→ The DPCA approach can lead to **more accurate Doppler measurement.**

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