

APPENDIX F. SATELLITE – BASED AIR QUALITY OBSERVING SYSTEMS¹

Instrument	Satellite Platform⁴	Lead Agency	Initiated	Measurement Parameters²	Orbit & Horizontal Resolution	Location of Information and/or Data
OLS (Operational Linescan System)	DMSP satellites	DOD	1962?	Identify fires and smoke plumes	Polar Imagery only	http://www.af.mil/factsheets/factsheet.asp?fsID=94
BUV (Backscatter Ultraviolet Spectrometer)	Nimbus 4	NASA	1970-1980	O3, CO2, SO2	Sun synchronous	http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/database/MasterCatalog?sc=1970-025A
SBUV (Solar Backscatter Ultraviolet Spectrometer)	Nimbus 7	NASA	1978-1993	O3, SO2	Polar	http://jwocky.gsfc.nasa.gov/n7toms/nimbus7tech.html
TOMS (Total Ozone Mapping Spectrometer)	Nimbus 7 Meteor 3 Earth-Probe	NASA	1978-1993 1991-1994 1996-2005	O3, SO2, Aerosols	Polar ~100km ²	http://toms.gsfc.nasa.gov/fltmodel/spacecr.html
LIMS (Limb Infrared Monitor of the Stratosphere)	Nimbus 7	NASA	1978-1979	O3, HNO3, NO2,	Polar	http://toms.gsfc.nasa.gov/n7toms/nimbus7tech.html
ATMOS (Atmospheric Trace Molecule Spectroscopy)	Spacelab 3 ATLAS -- 1,2,3	NASA	1985, 1992, 1993, 1994	O3, CFC13, CF2Cl2, ClONO2, HCl, HF, CO, CH4, HCN, HNO3, NO, NO2, N2O, N2O5, Aerosols		http://remus.jpl.nasa.gov/atmos/sl3.html
CLAES (Cryogenic Limb Array Etalon Spectrometer)	UARS	NASA	1991-1993	O3, CFC13, CF2Cl2, ClONO2, CH4, HNO3, NO, NO2, N2O, N2O5, Aerosols		http://umpgal.gsfc.nasa.gov/
HALOE (Halogen Occultation Experiment)	UARS	NASA	1991-2005	O3, HCl, HF, CH4, NO, NO2, Aerosols		http://umpgal.gsfc.nasa.gov/
ISAMS (Improved Stratospheric and Mesospheric Sounder)	UARS	NASA	1991-1992	O3, CO, CH4, NO2, N2O, N2O5, Aerosols		http://umpgal.gsfc.nasa.gov/
MLS (Microwave Limb Sounder)	UARS	NASA	1991-1999	O3, ClO, CH3CN, HNO3, SO2		http://umpgal.gsfc.nasa.gov/
GOES Imager (Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellites)	GOES-10 GOES-12	NOAA	1994	Fire products for WF_ABBA (imagery) and GASP (aerosol optical depth)	Geostationary 4x4 km ²	http://www.nesdis.noaa.gov/sat-products.html
GOES Sounder (Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellites)	GOES-10 GOES-12	NOAA	1994	Total column O3	Geostationary	http://cimss.ssec.wisc.edu/goes/data.html
AVHRR ³ (Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer)	NOAA-15 NOAA-16 NOAA-17 NOAA-18	NOAA	1998	Aerosol optical depth, particle size information and vegetation/drought index products related to air quality through fires	Polar ~1x1 km ²	http://noaasis.noaa.gov/NOAASIS/ml/avhrr.html
SBUV/2 ³ (Solar Backscattered Ultraviolet Radiometer Model 2)	NOAA-16 NOAA-17 NOAA-18	NOAA	2000	Total and profile O3 from surface to top of atmosphere in ~5 km thick Umkehr layers	Polar	http://www.ozonelayer.noaa.gov/action/sbuv2.htm

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MOPITT (Measurement of Pollution in the Troposphere)	EOS Terra	NASA	1999	CO, CH ₄	Polar 22 x 22 km ²	http://www.eos.ucar.edu/mopitt/
MISR (Multi-angle Imaging SpectroRadiometer)	EOS Terra	NASA	1999	Aerosol properties and plume height information near the vicinity of fires	Polar ~1x1 km ²	http://www-misr.jpl.nasa.gov/mission/introduction/welcome.html
MODIS (Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer)	EOS Terra EOS Aqua ⁵	NASA	1999 2002	O ₃ , Aerosol optical depth, particle size information, fine particle fraction, and forest fires	Polar ~1x1 km ²	http://modarch.gsfc.nasa.gov/index.php
AIRS (Atmospheric Infrared Sounder)	EOS Aqua ⁵	NASA	2002	Total column ozone, surface temperature, temperature and moisture vertical profiles, (plus under development are CO and CO ₂ total column, O ₃ vertical distribution, and CH ₄ distribution)	Polar 50km	http://airs.jpl.nasa.gov/
HIRDLS (High Resolution Dynamics Limb Sounder)	EOS Aura ⁵	NASA	2004	O ₃ , CFC11, CFC12, ClONO ₂ , CH ₄ , HNO ₃ , NO ₂ , N ₂ O ₅ , Aerosols	Polar	http://aura.gsfc.nasa.gov/index.html http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/aura/spaceraft/index.html
MLS (Microwave Limb Sounder)	EOS Aura ⁵	NASA	2004	O ₃ , BrO, ClO, HOCl, HCl, CO, HCN, CH ₃ CN, HNO ₃ , N ₂ O, OH, HO ₂	Polar	http://aura.gsfc.nasa.gov/index.html http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/aura/spaceraft/index.html
OMI (Ozone Monitoring Instrument)	EOS Aura ⁵	NASA	2004	O ₃ , BrO, OCIO, HCHO, NO ₂ , SO ₂ and aerosols	Polar 48 x 48 km ²	http://aura.gsfc.nasa.gov/index.html http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/aura/spaceraft/index.html
TES (Total Emission Spectrometer)	EOS Aura ⁵	NASA	2004	O ₃ , CO, CH ₄ , HNO ₃	Polar 26 x 42 km ²	http://aura.gsfc.nasa.gov/index.html http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/aura/spaceraft/index.html
CALIPSO (Cloud-Aerosol Lidar & Infrared Pathfinder Satellite Observations)	CALIPSO ⁵	NASA	2005	Aerosol optical depth, backscatter, extinction	Polar 0.3 x 0.3 km ²	http://www-calipso.larc.nasa.gov/about/
OMPS (Ozone Mapping and Profiling Suite)	NPOESS - Preparatory Project	NOAA	To be launched 2010	Total column and vertical profile ozone data	Polar	http://www.ipo.noaa.gov/index.php?pg=proj
VIIRS (Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite)	NPOESS - Preparatory Project	NOAA	To be launched 2010	Aerosol optical depth	Polar	http://www.ipo.noaa.gov/index.php?pg=proj
Orbiting Carbon Observatory	OCO ⁵	NASA	2009 (failed)	CO ₂	Polar	http://oco.jpl.nasa.gov/
APS & TIM (Aerosol Polarimetry Sensor & Total Irradiance Monitor)	Glory	NASA	2009 (planned)	Black carbon soot, other aerosols, total solar irradiance, cloud images	Sun- synchronous, circular, Low Earth Orbit	http://glory.gsfc.nasa.gov/

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SCIAMACHY (Scanning Imaging Absorption Spectrometer for Atmospheric Cartography)	Envisat	ESA	2002	Total column for O ₃ , NO ₂ , BrO, OCIO, SO ₂ , HCHO, aerosols	Polar 60 x 30 km ²	http://envisat.esa.int/instruments/sciamachy/
GOME & GOME-2 (Global Ozone Monitoring Experiment)	ERS-2 MetOp-A	ESA	1995 2006	Total column for O ₃ , NO ₂ , BrO, SO ₂ , HCHO, aerosols	Polar 40 x 40 km ²	http://earth.esa.int/ers/gome/ http://www.esa.int/esaLP/SEMTEG23IE_LPmetop_0.html
IASI (Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer)	MetOp-A	ESA	2006	O ₃ , CO, CH ₄ ,	Polar 50 x 50 km ²	http://smc.cnes.fr/IASI/index.htm

Footnotes:

1. Some instrument systems listed (e.g., UARS/HALOE) are oriented primarily to stratospheric measurements and may have limited application to the troposphere.
2. Note that many of the satellite instruments also have the capability to measure temperature, H₂O and other parameters.
3. NOAA satellites as early as 1978 have carried AVHRR, and as early as 1985 have carried BUV/2
4. CALIPSO -- Cloud-Aerosol Lidar & Infrared Pathfinder Satellite Observations
 DMSP -- Defense Meteorological Satellite Program
 EOS -- Earth Observing System
 ESA -- European Space Agency
 GOES -- Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellites
 NASA -- National Aeronautics and Space Administration
 NOAA -- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
 NPOESS -- National Polar-orbiting Operational Environmental Satellite System
 OCO -- Orbiting Carbon Observatory
 UARS -- Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite
5. This satellite is part of the A-Train group of satellites. It will involve for the first time satellites flying in a formation that crosses the equator one satellite at a time, a few minutes apart, at around 1:30 pm local time. The A-Train is made up of Aqua, Aura, CALIPSO, and will include Glory in 2009; it also includes CloudSat (2005) – data on the structure of ice and water clouds, and PARASOL (2004) – data on the directional characteristics and polarization of light reflected by the Earth and atmosphere, including aerosol optical depth. Together their overlapping science instruments will give a comprehensive picture of Earth weather and climate.