

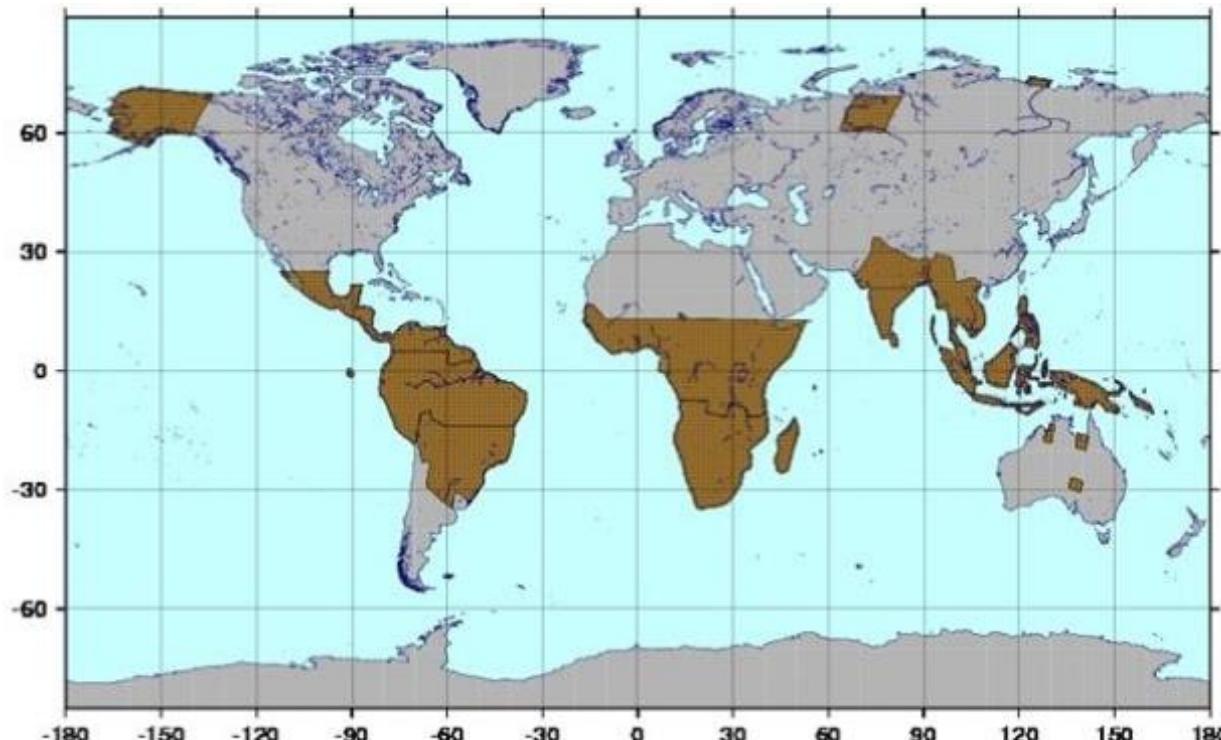
Inundation mapping by ScanSAR time-series

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JAXA systematic acquisition strategy for ALOS and ALOS-2

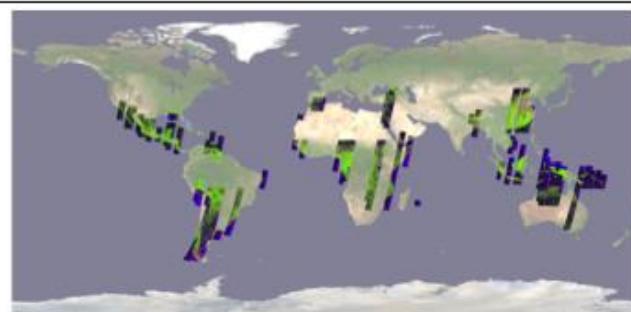
- Wetlands in the tropics/sub-tropics (+ some boreal)
- Time-series observation frequency 1.5 months (8-9 obs/year)
- 2007-2010 (100m)
- 2015-2018+ (50m)



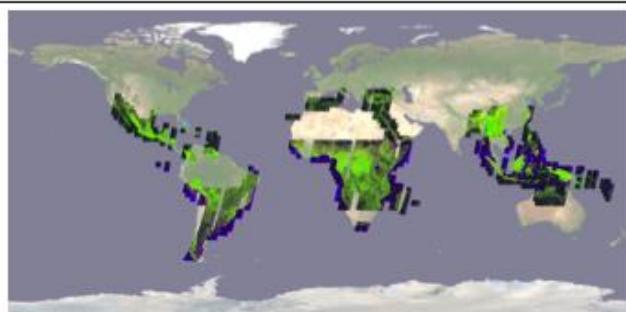
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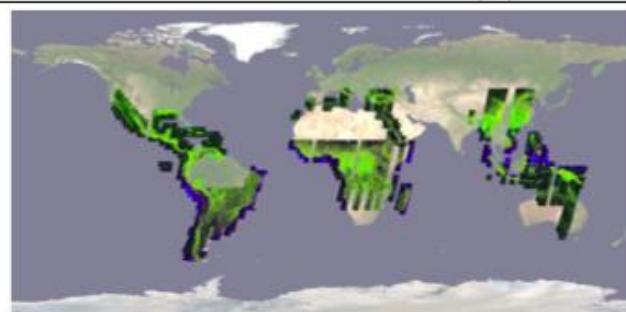
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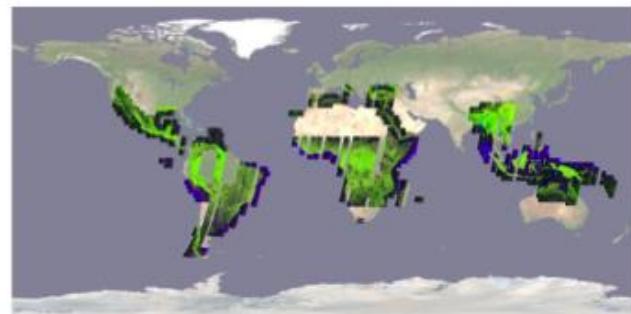
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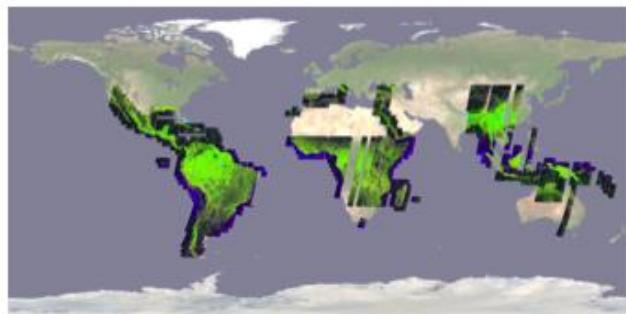
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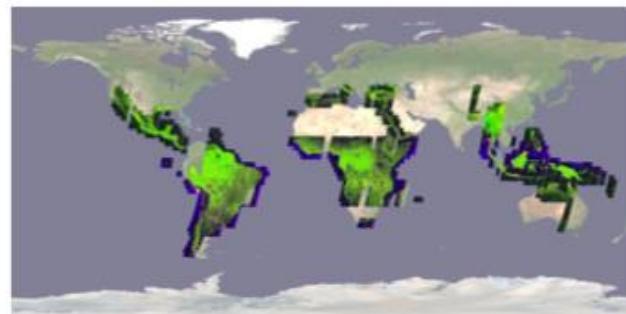
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Cycle_010 24-Nov-14 - 7-Dec-14



Cycle_013 5-Jan-15 - 18-Jan-15

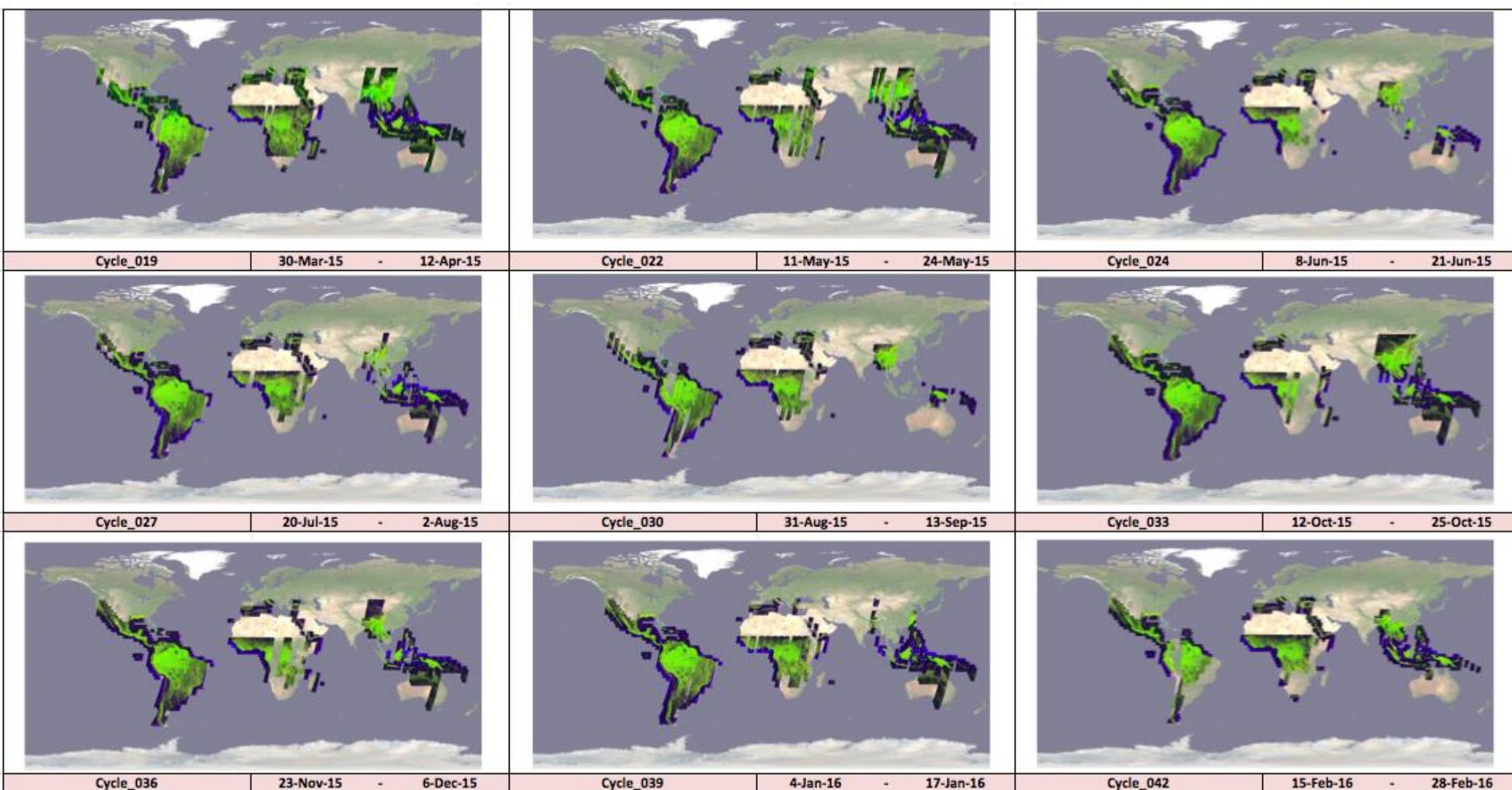


Cycle_016 16-Feb-15 - 1-Mar-15

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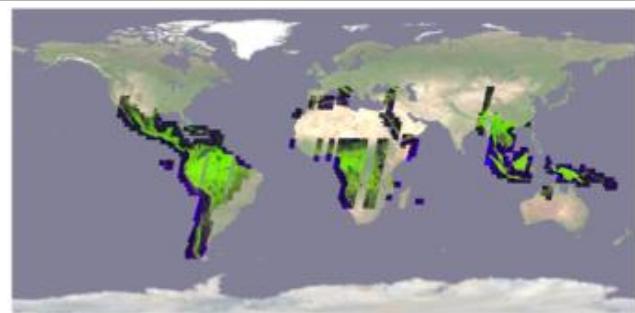
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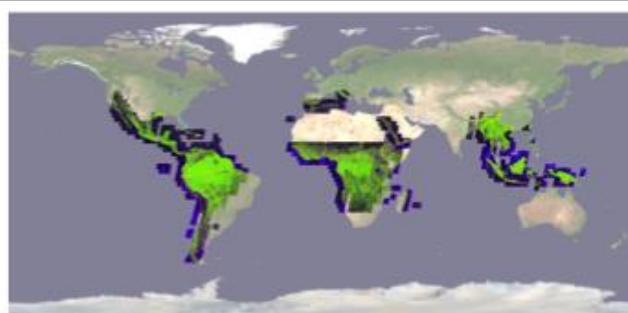
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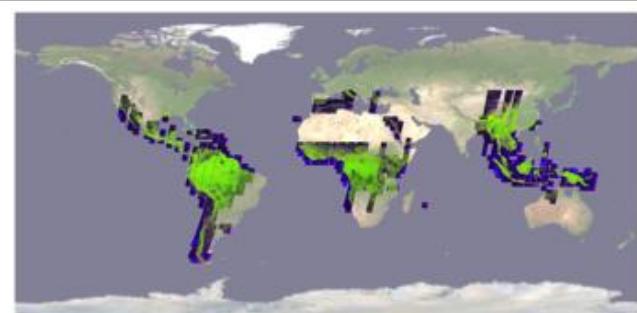
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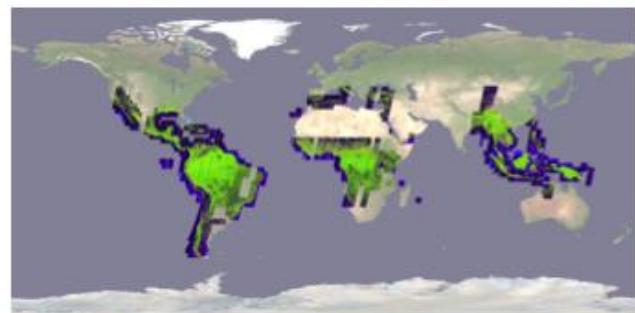
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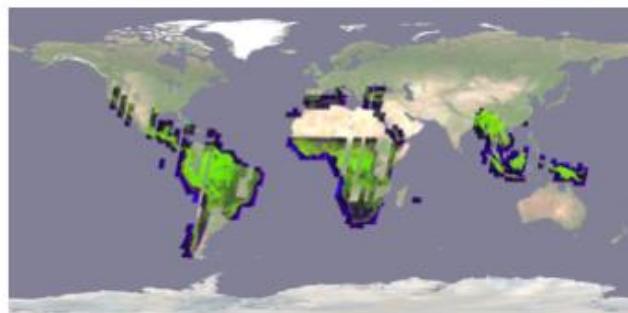
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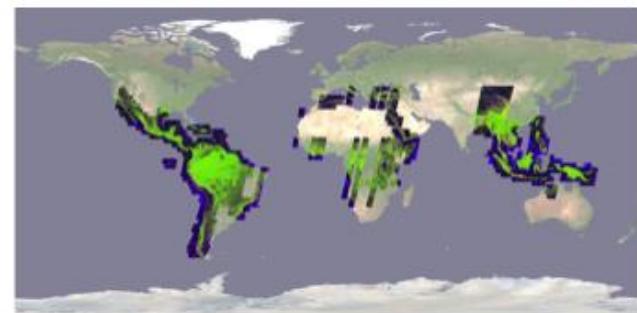
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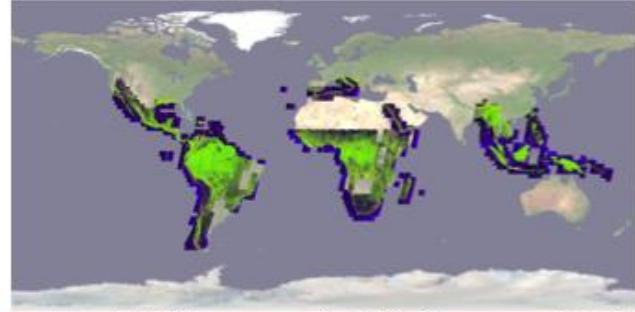
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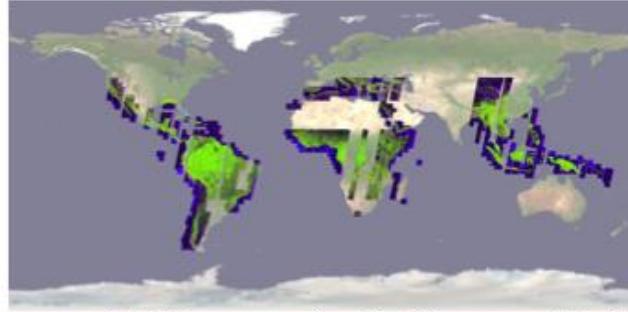
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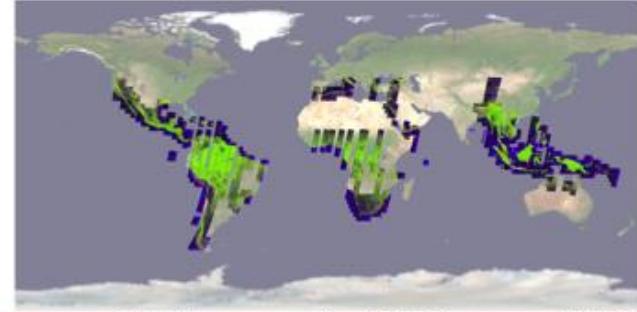
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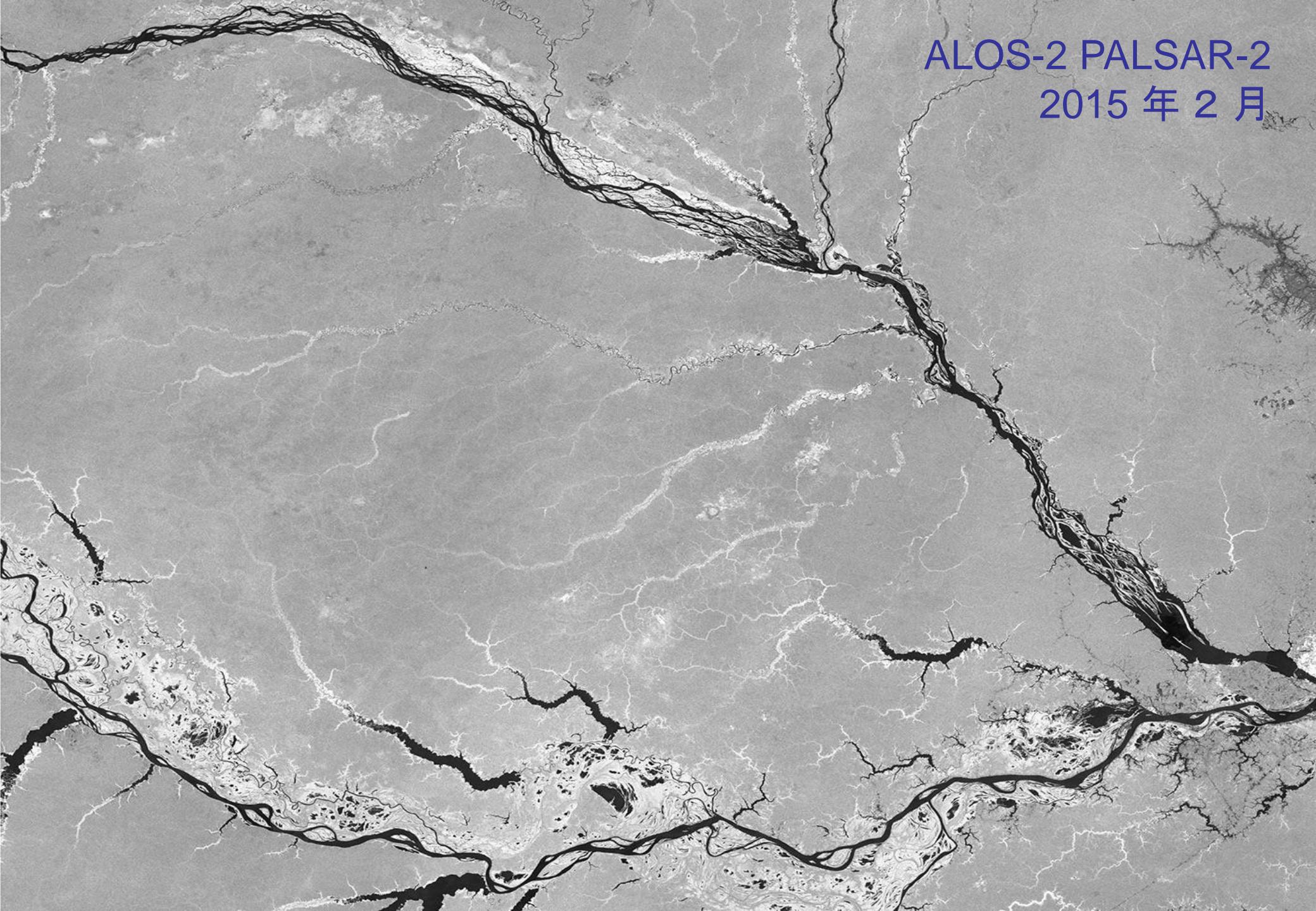


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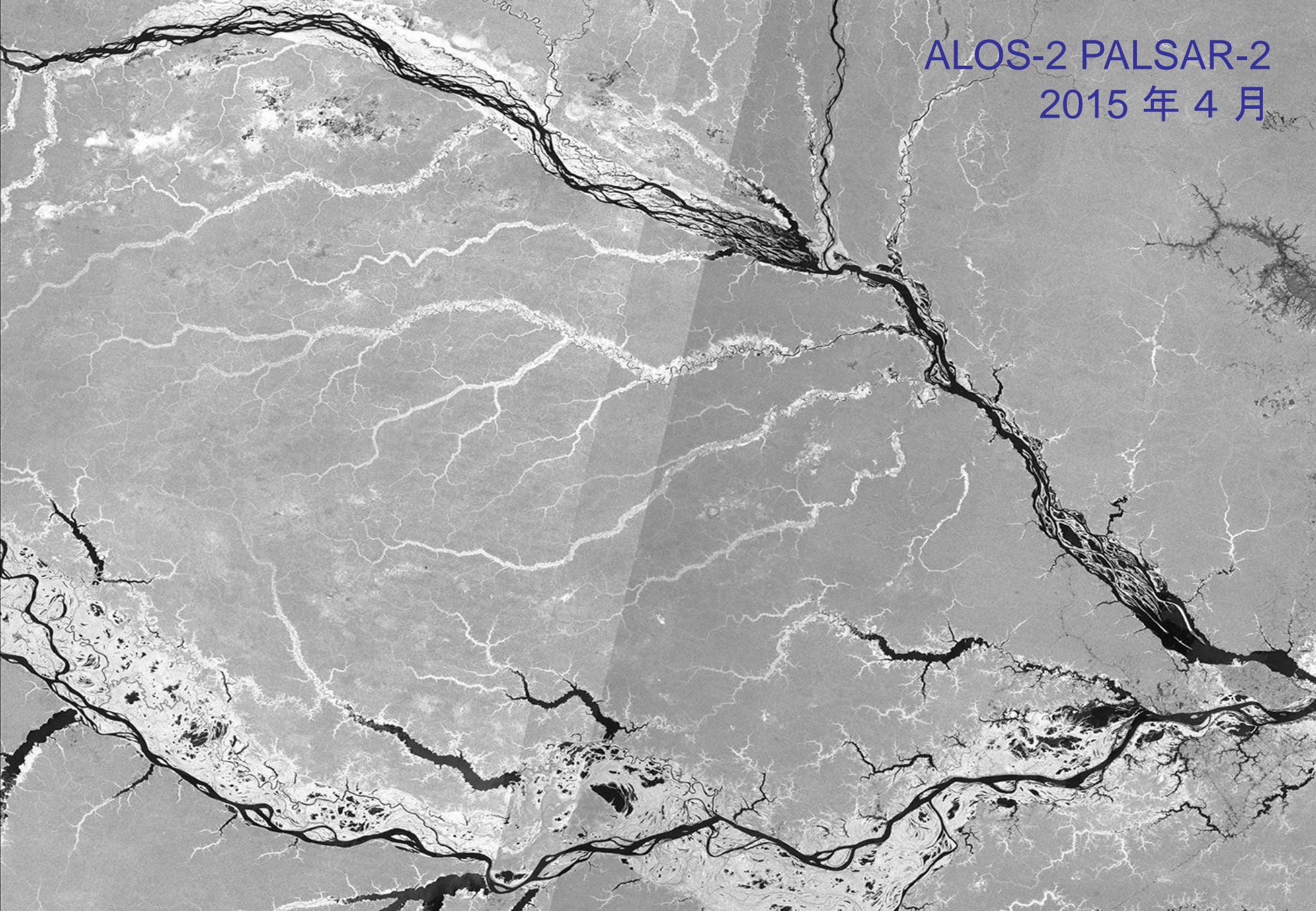
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Central Amazon Basin, Brazil

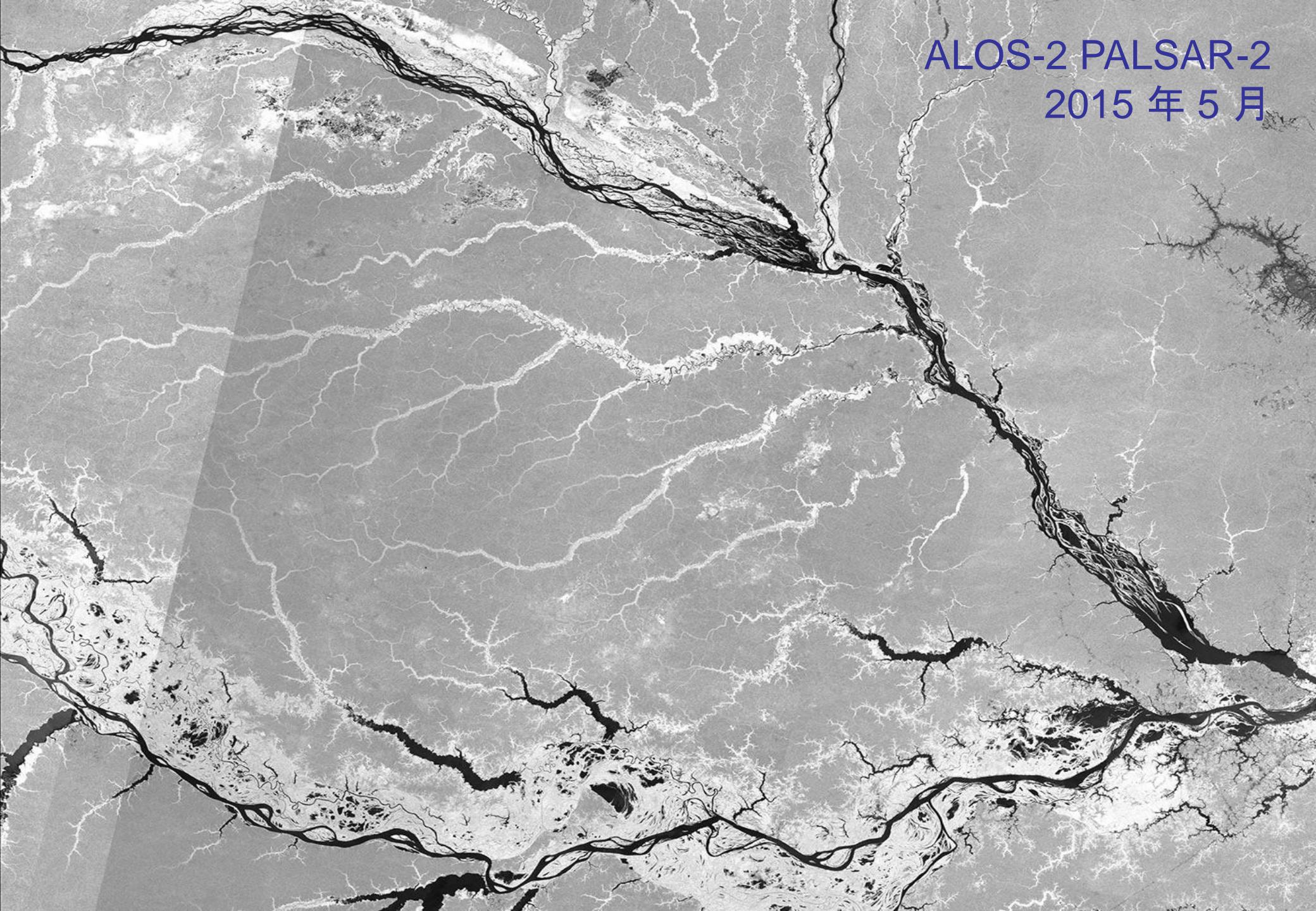
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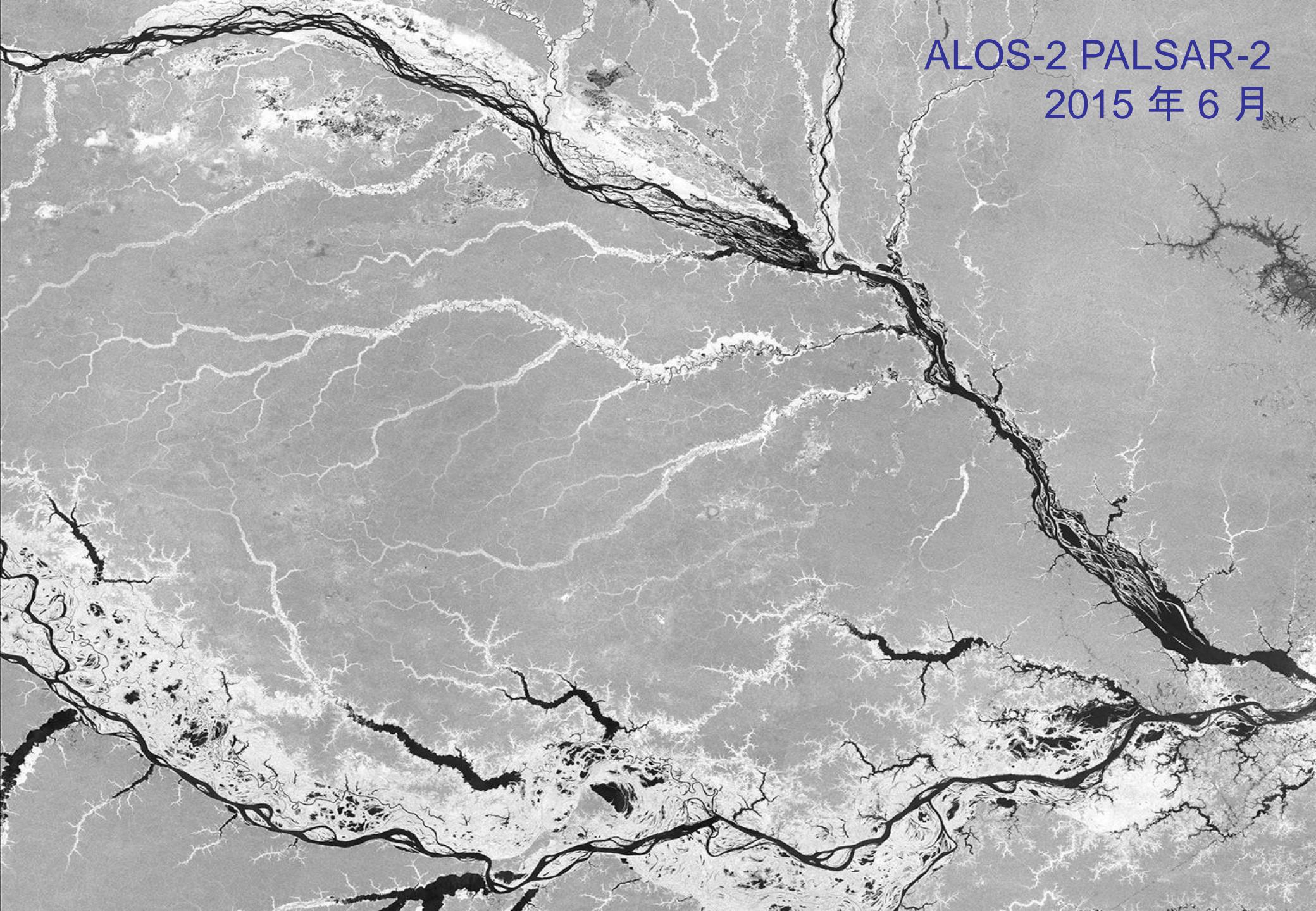
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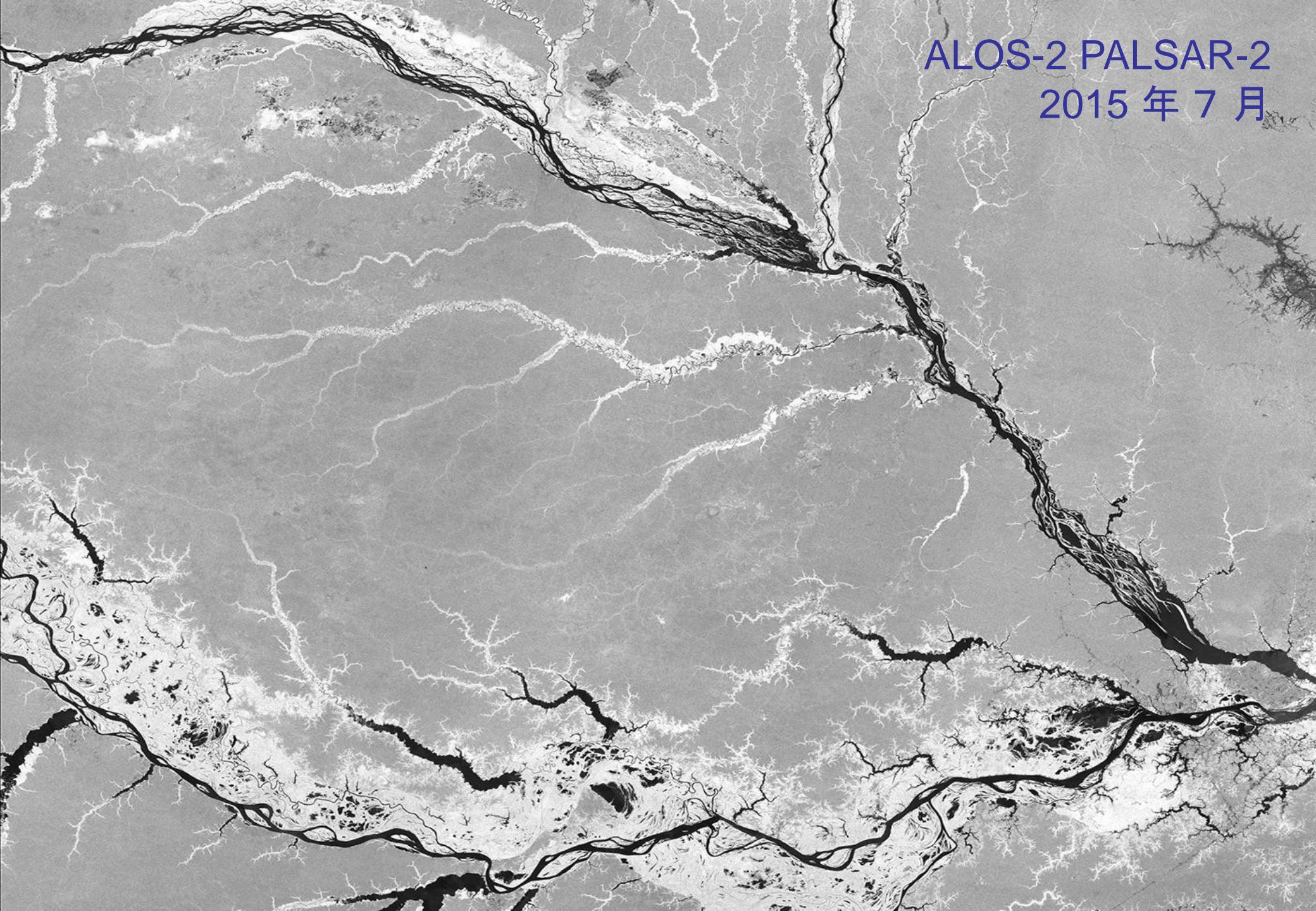
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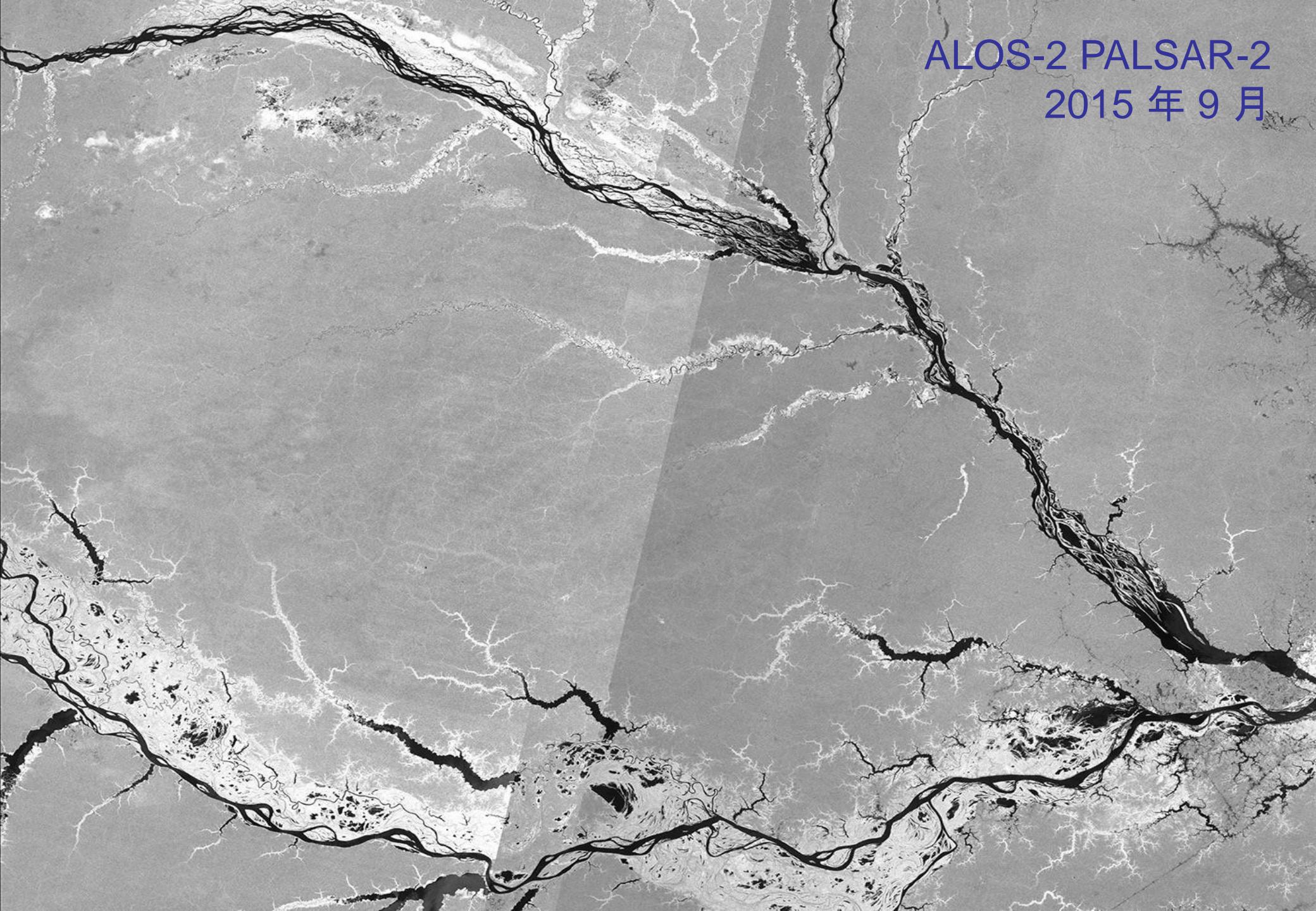
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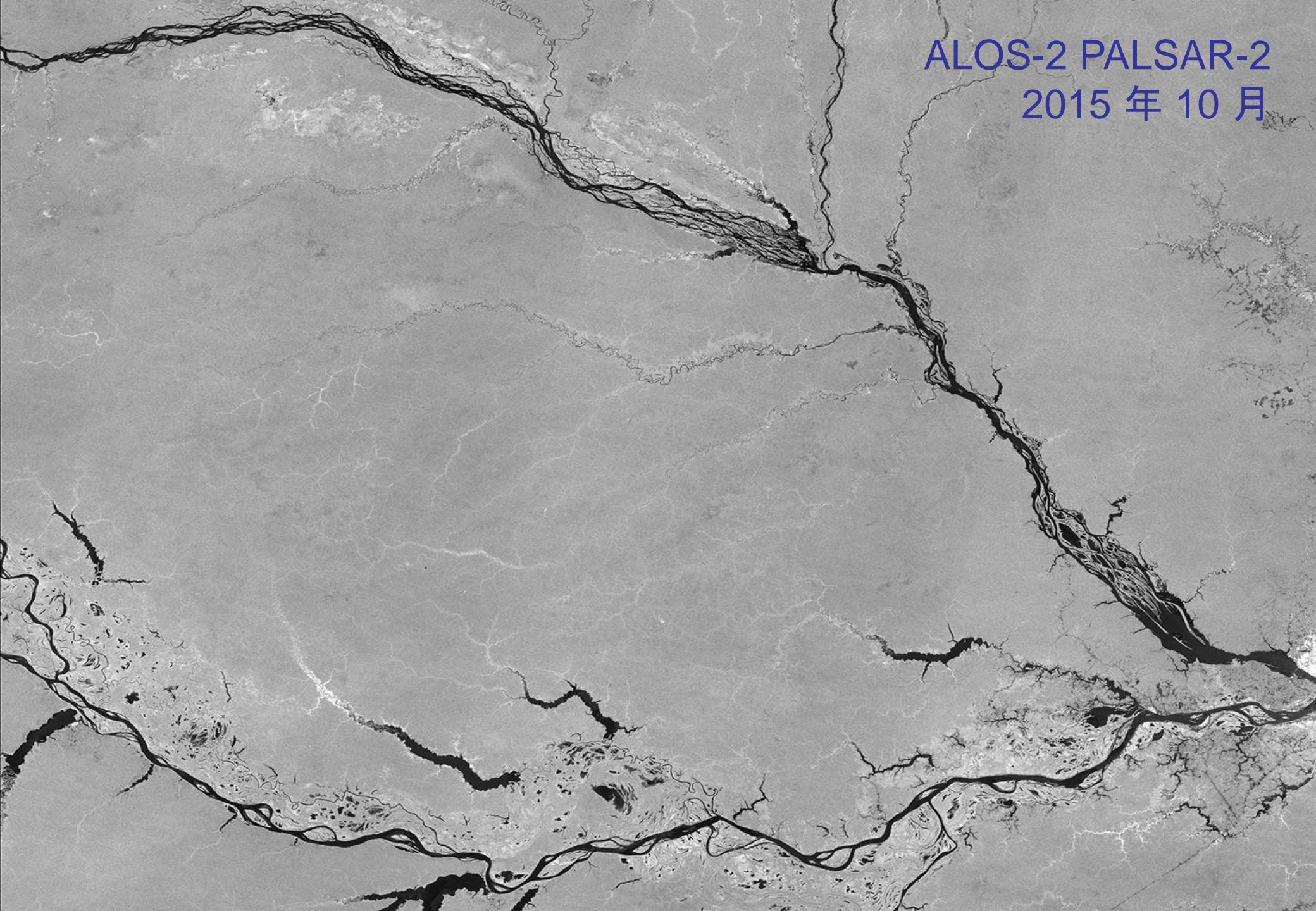
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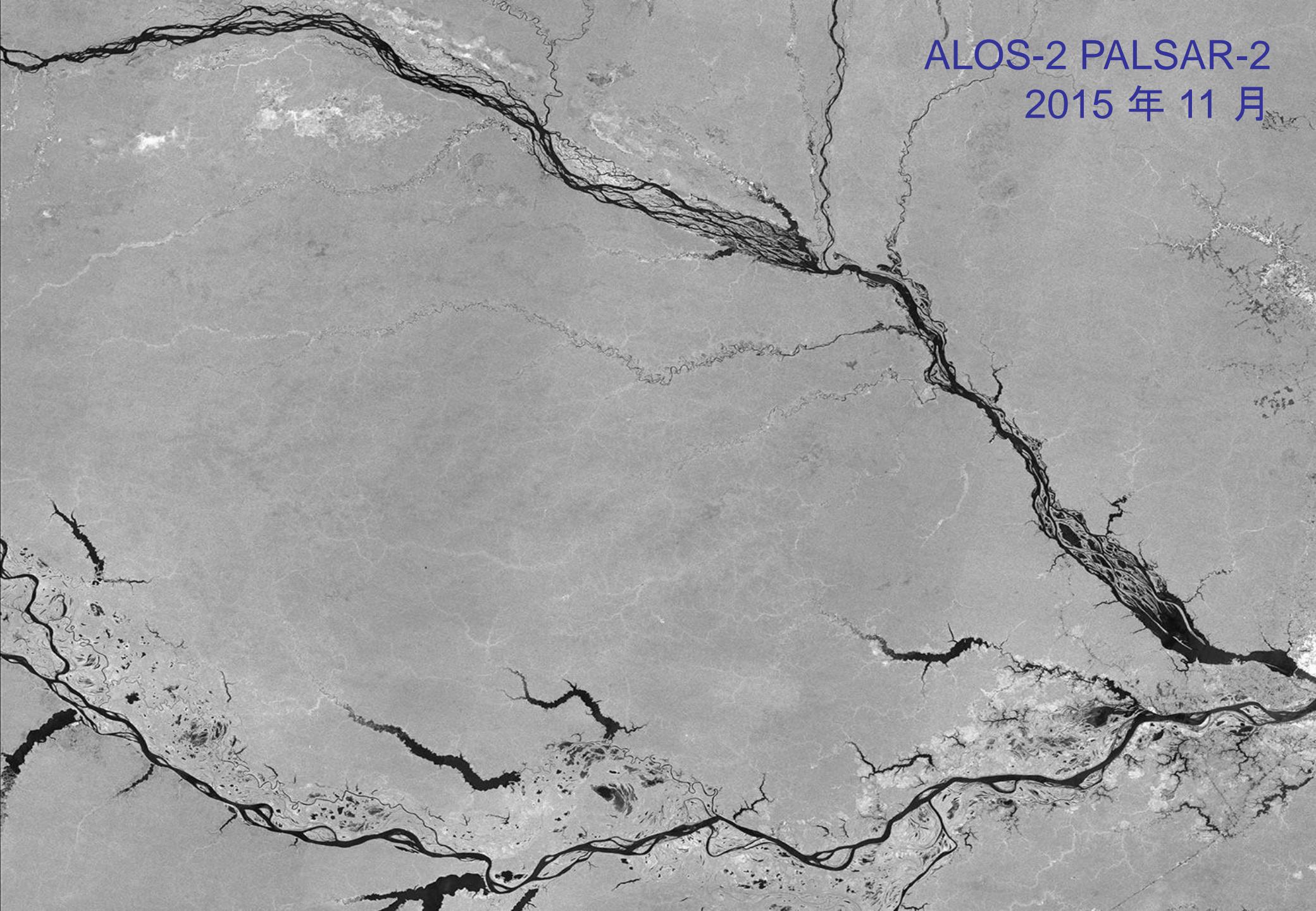
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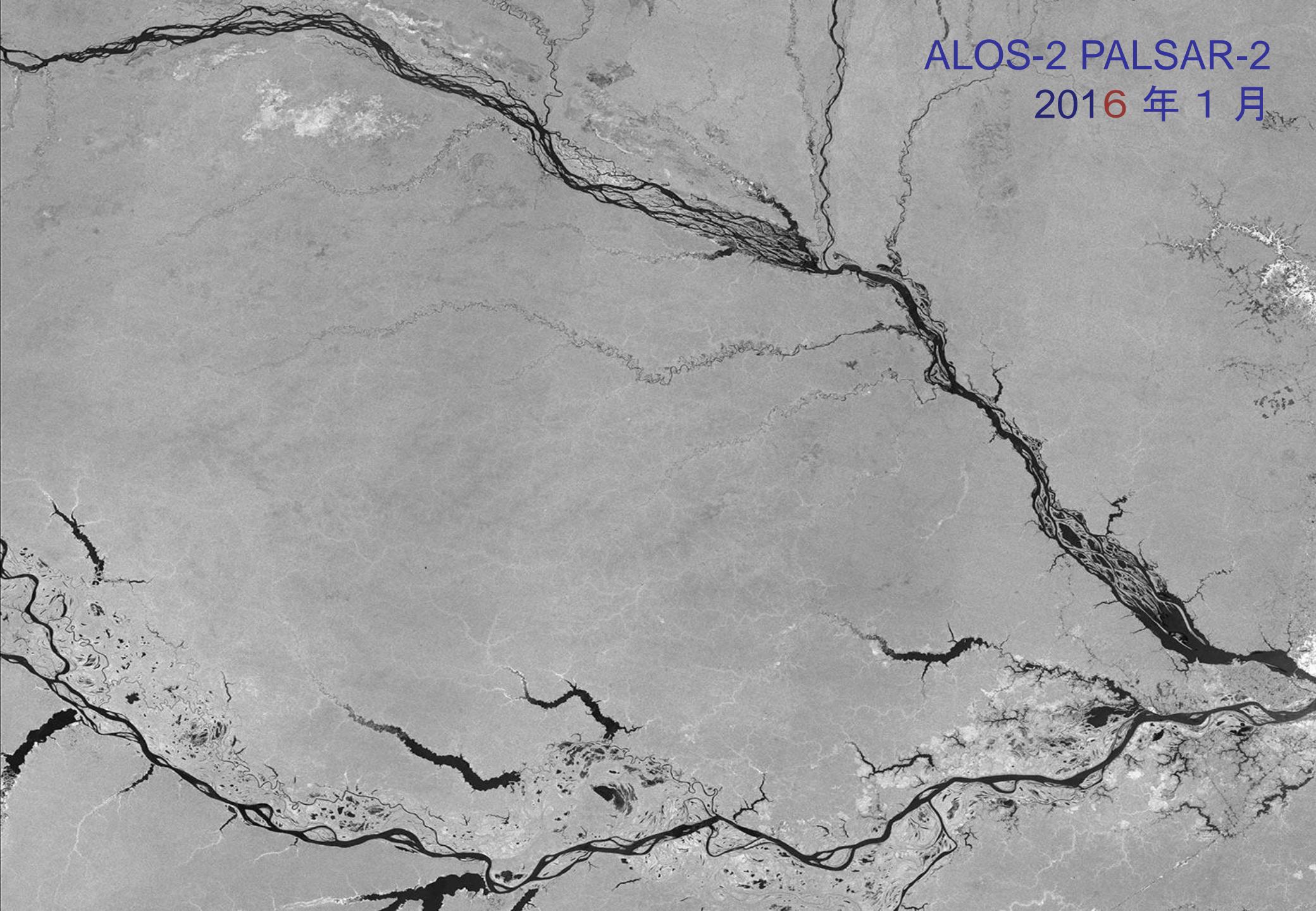
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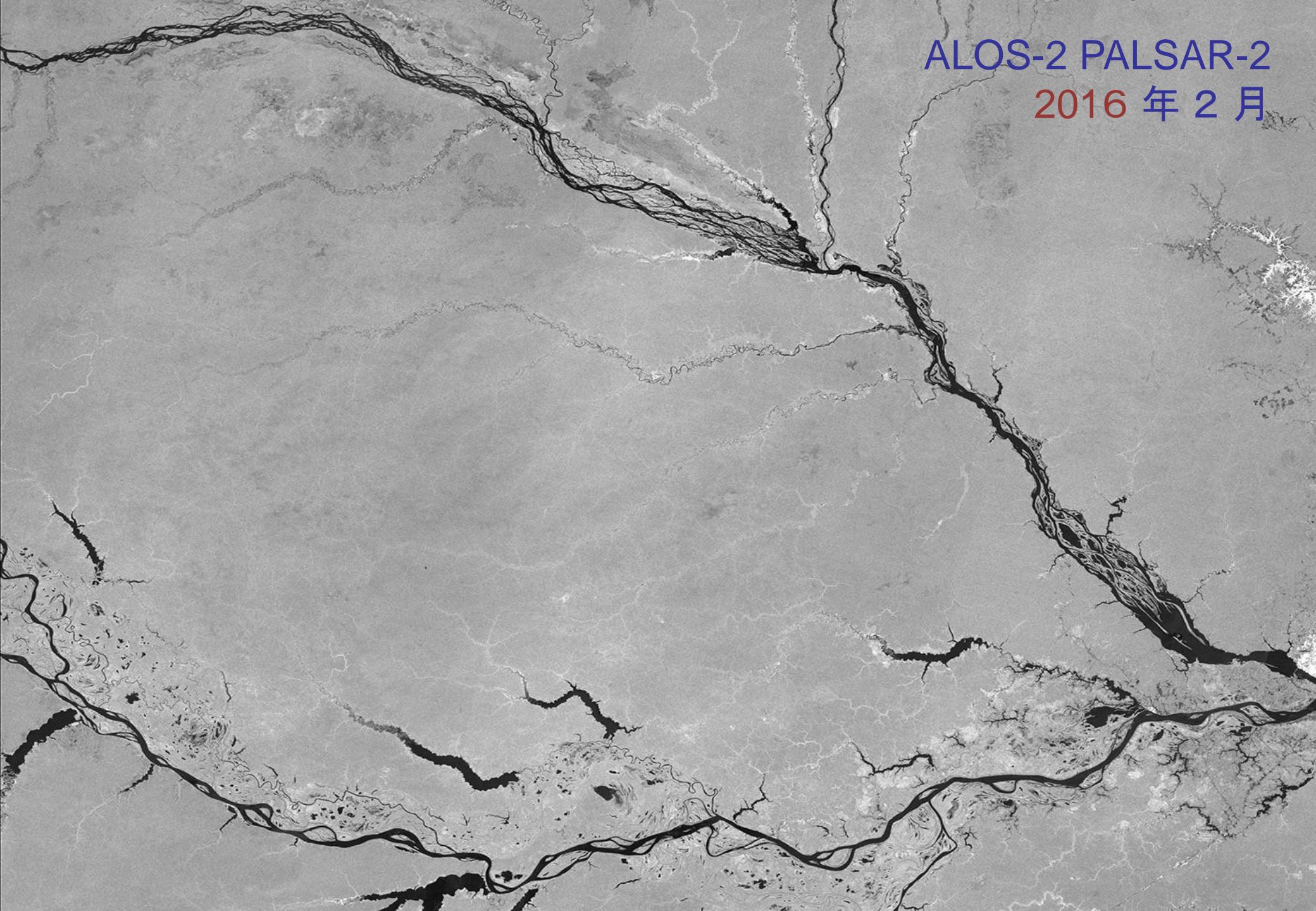
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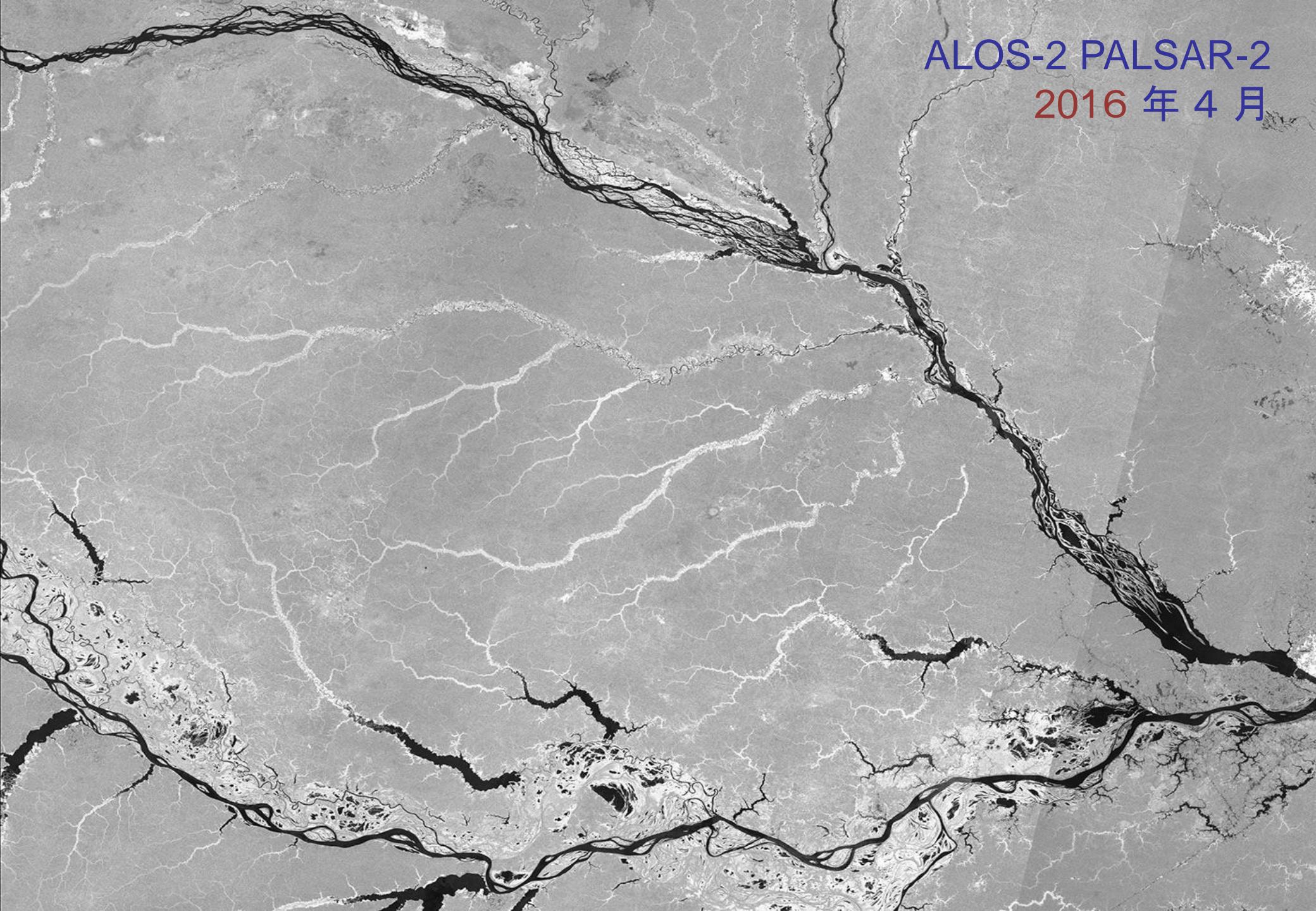
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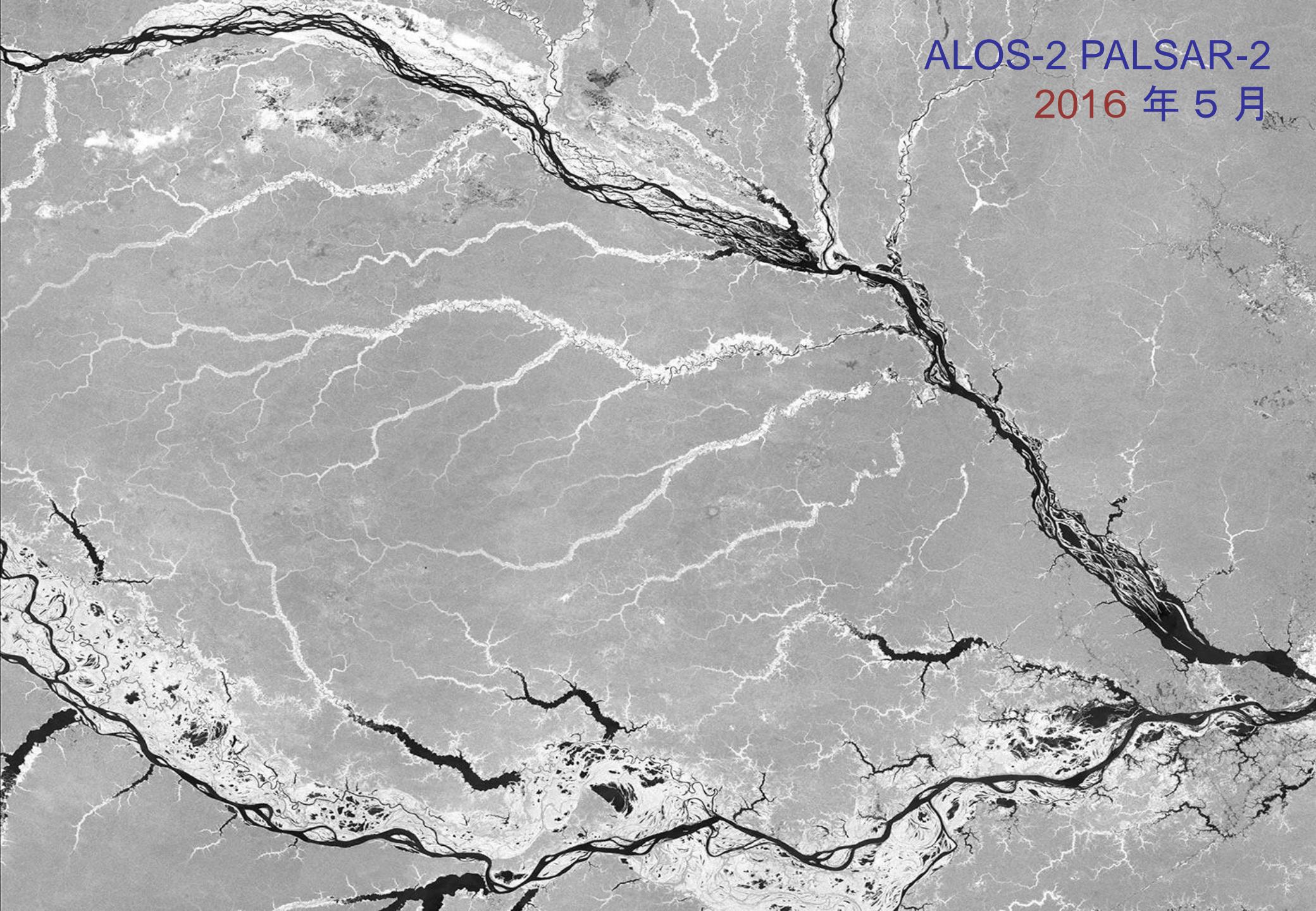
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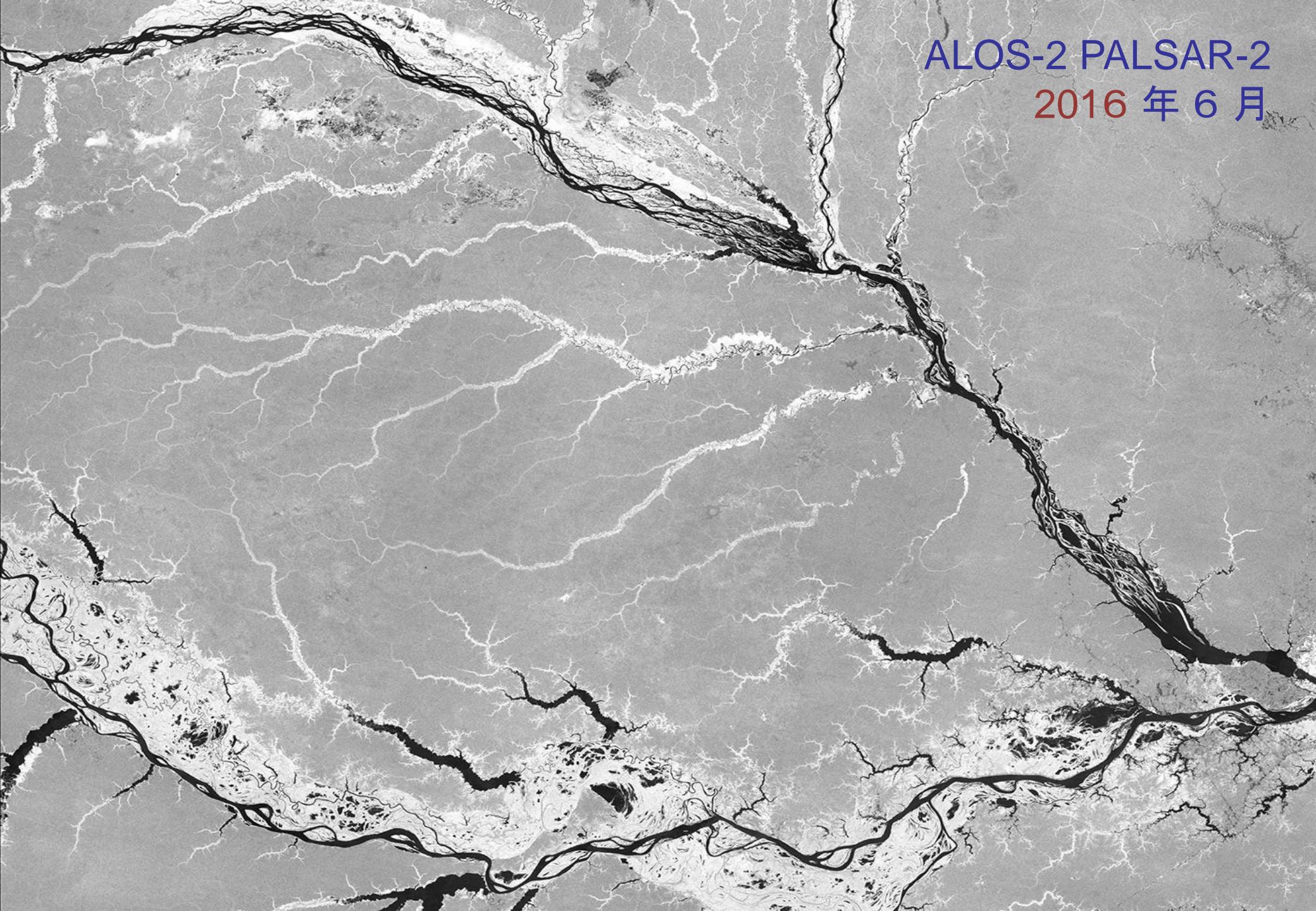
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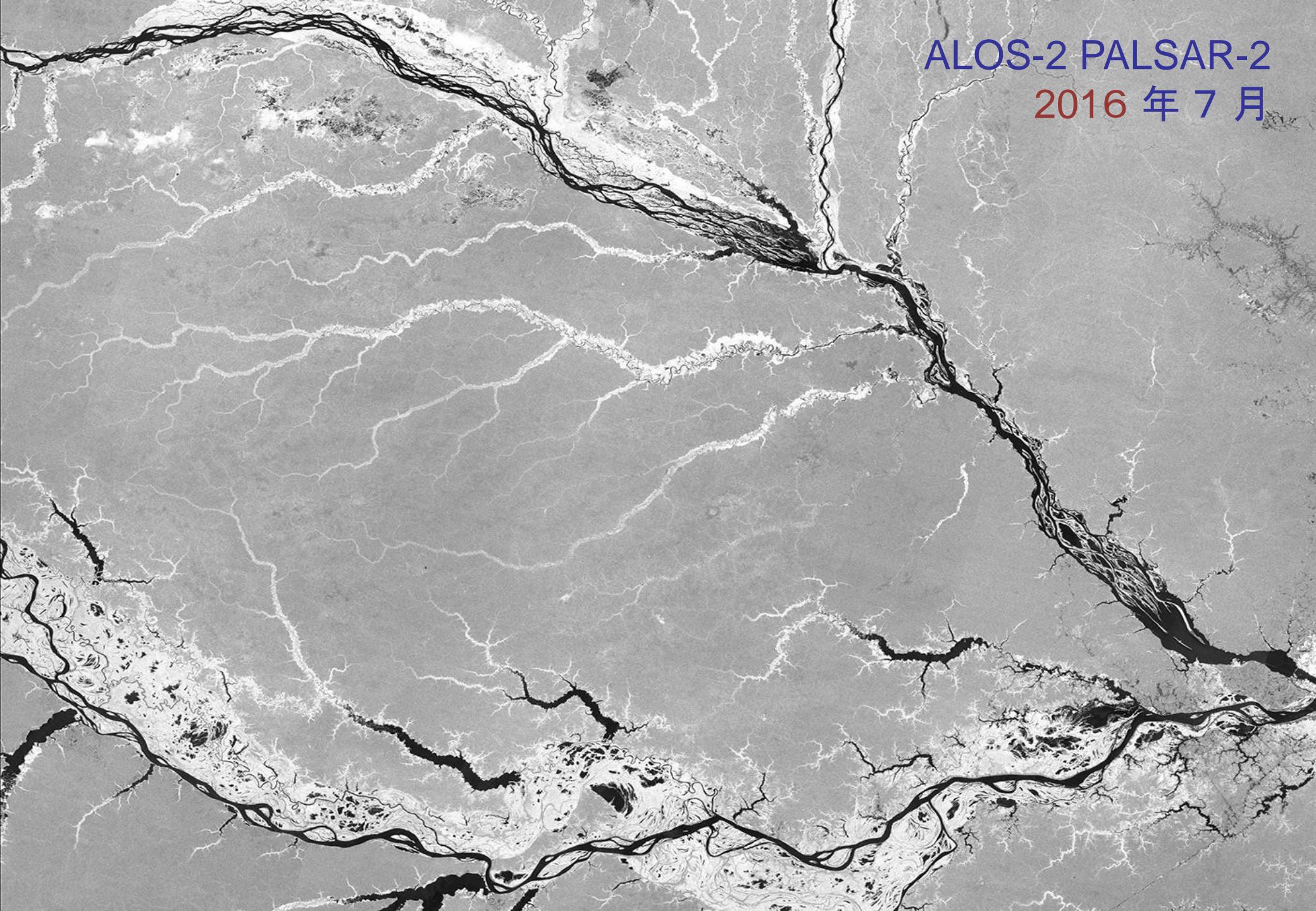
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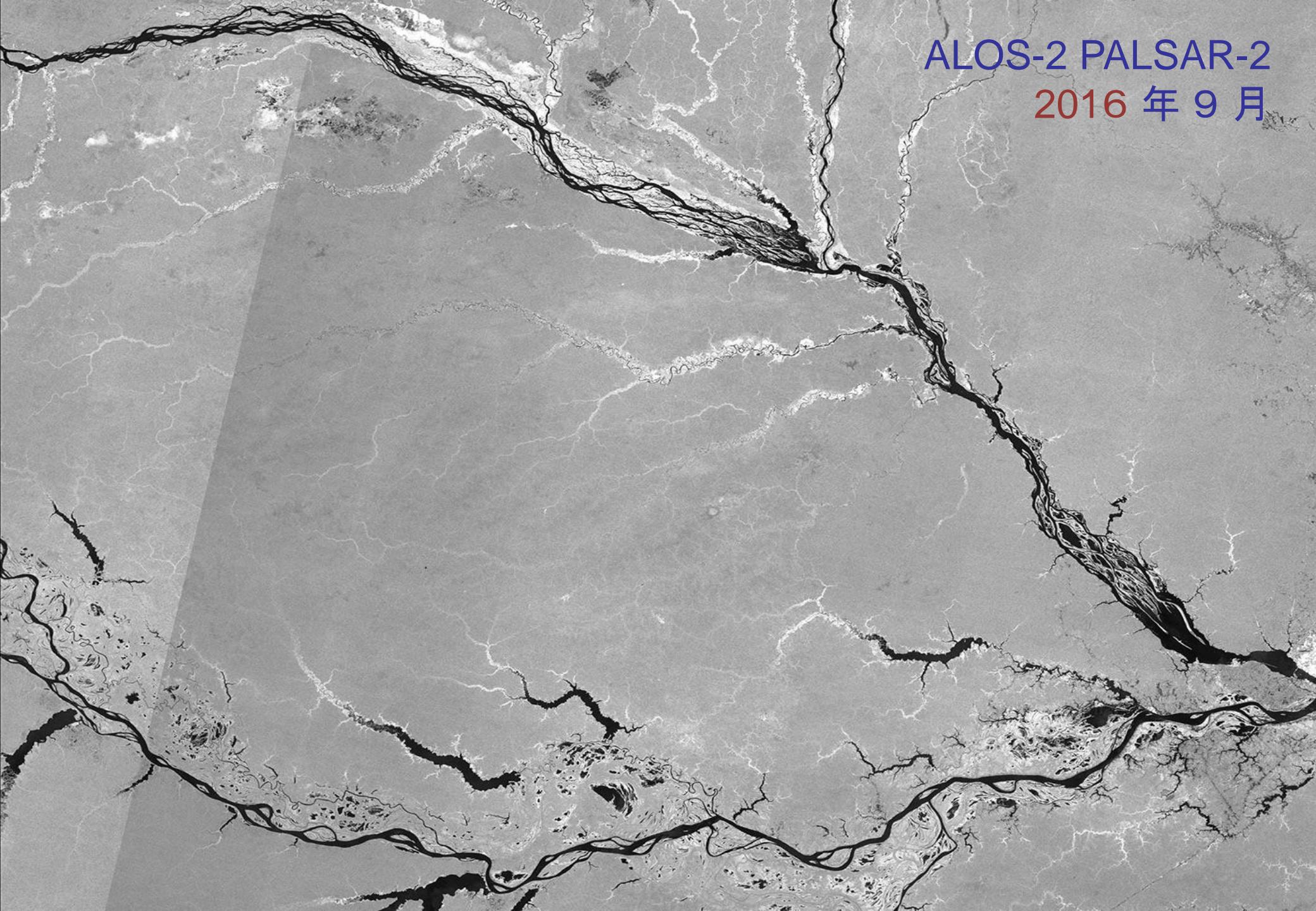
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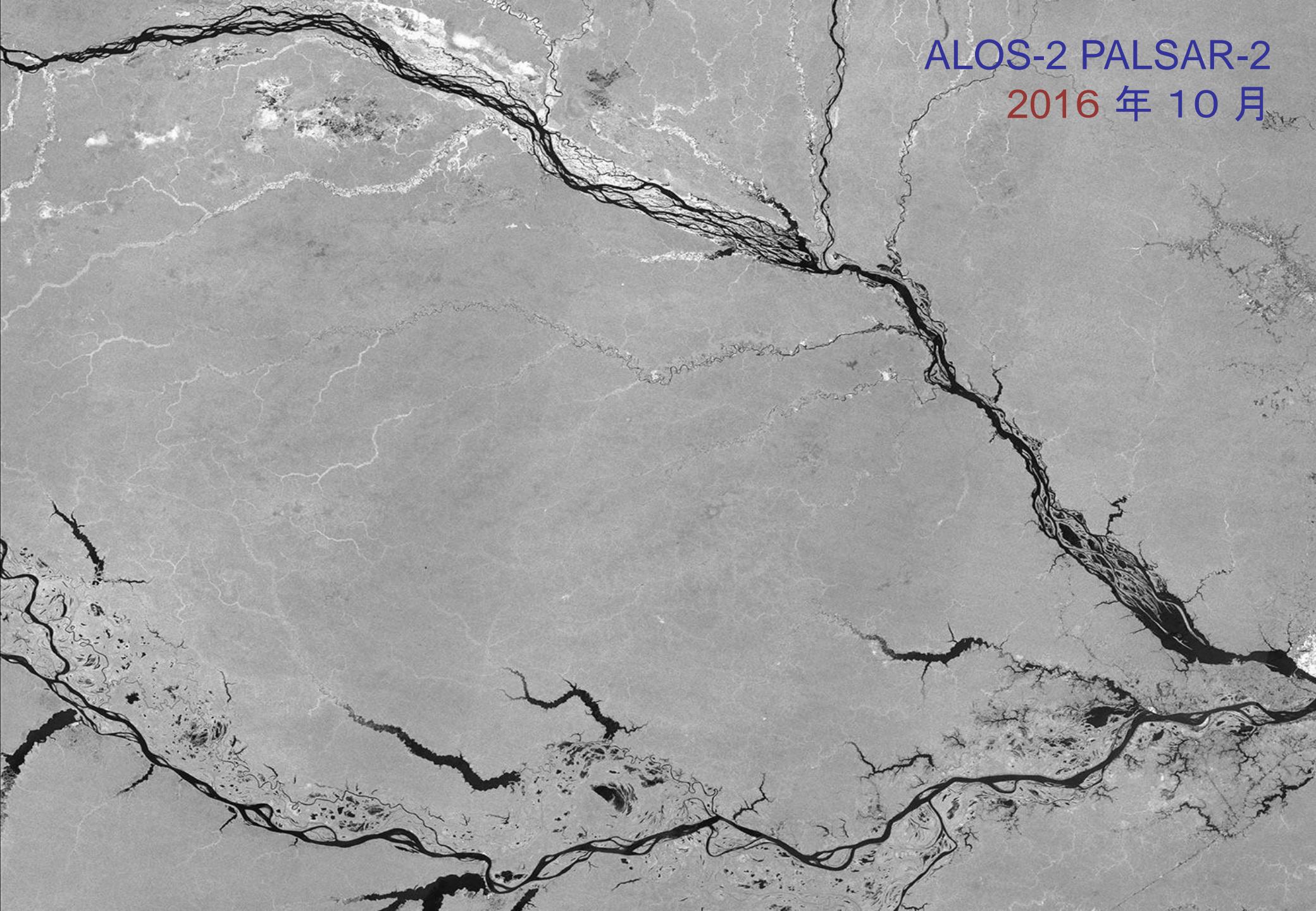
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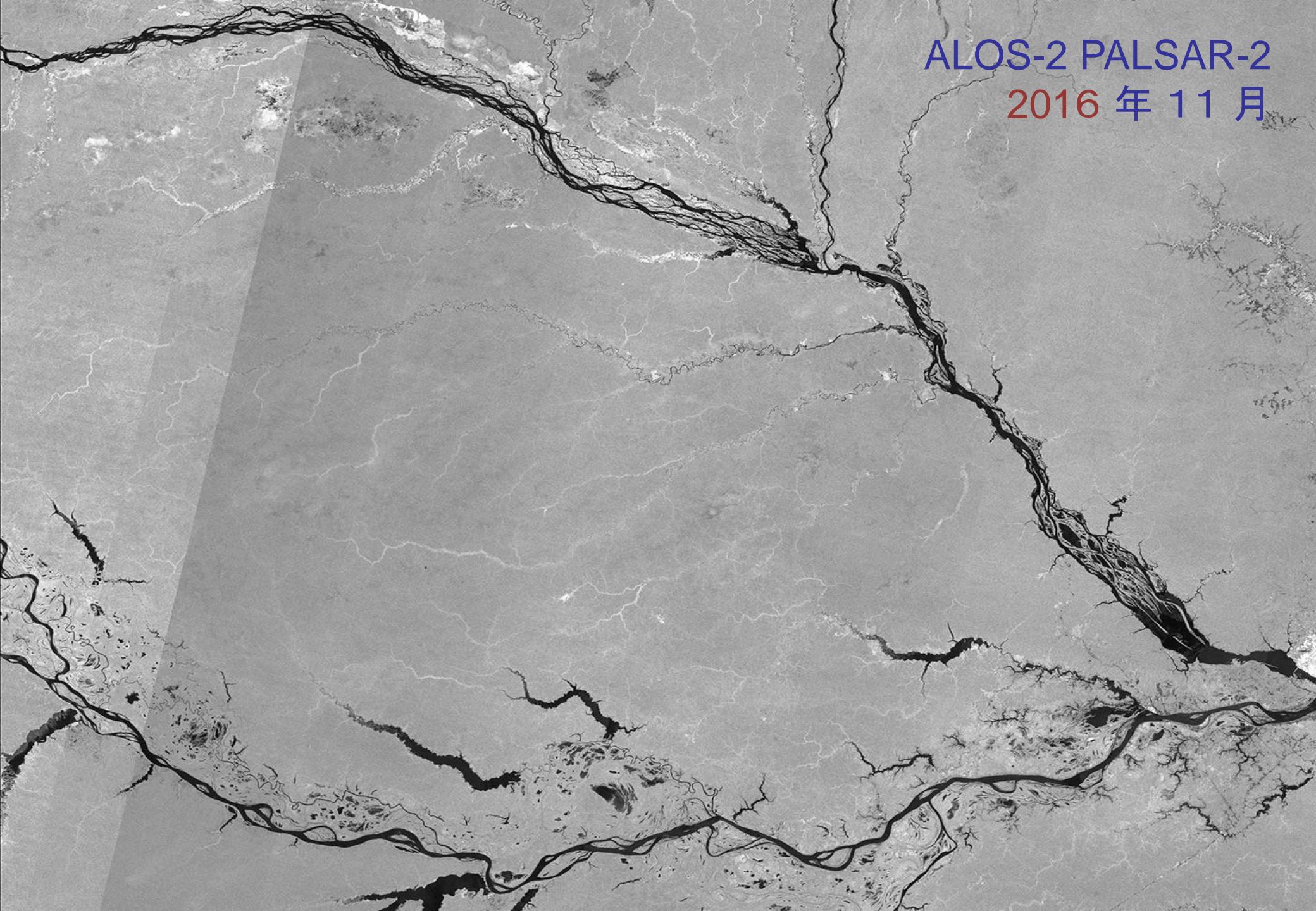
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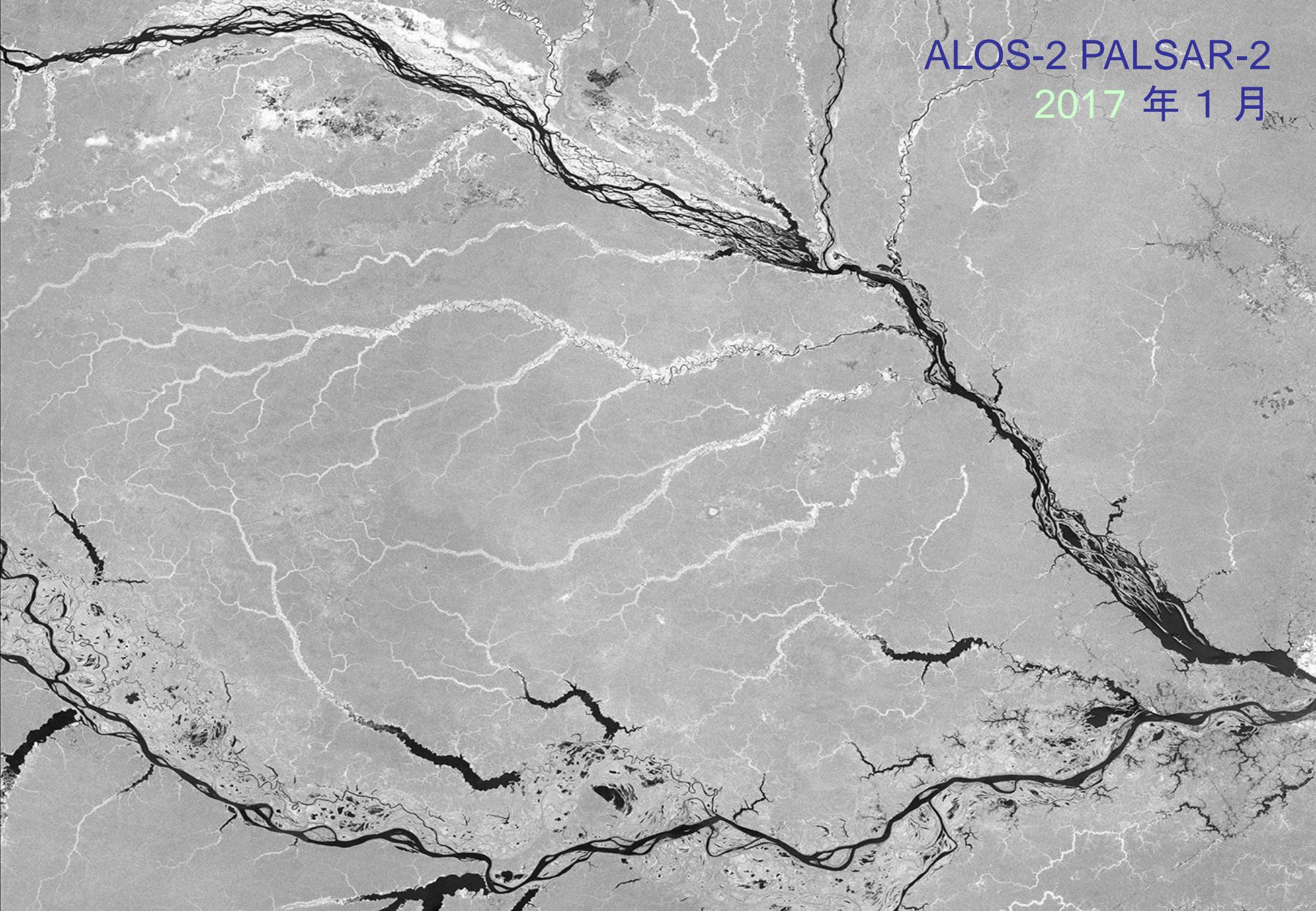
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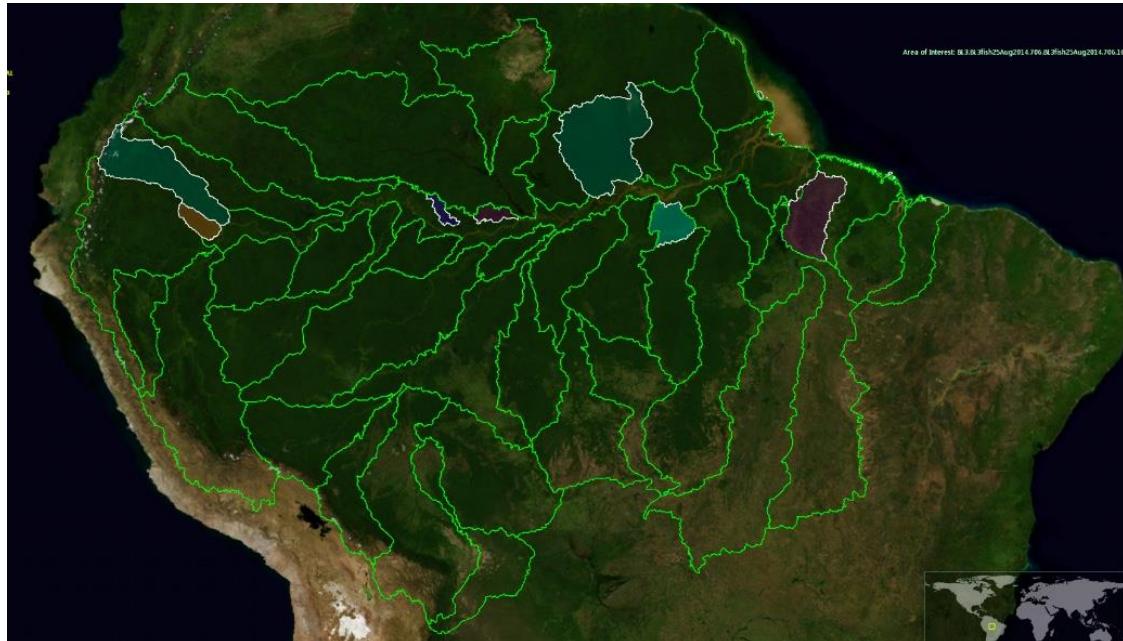


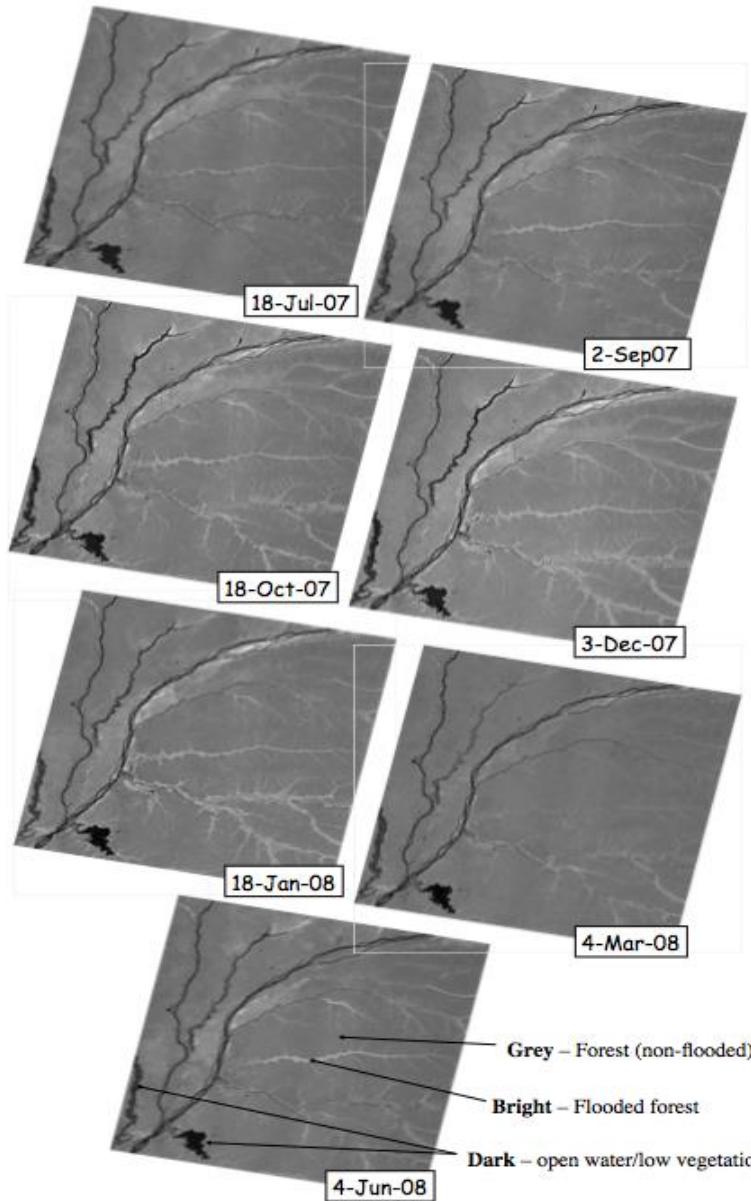
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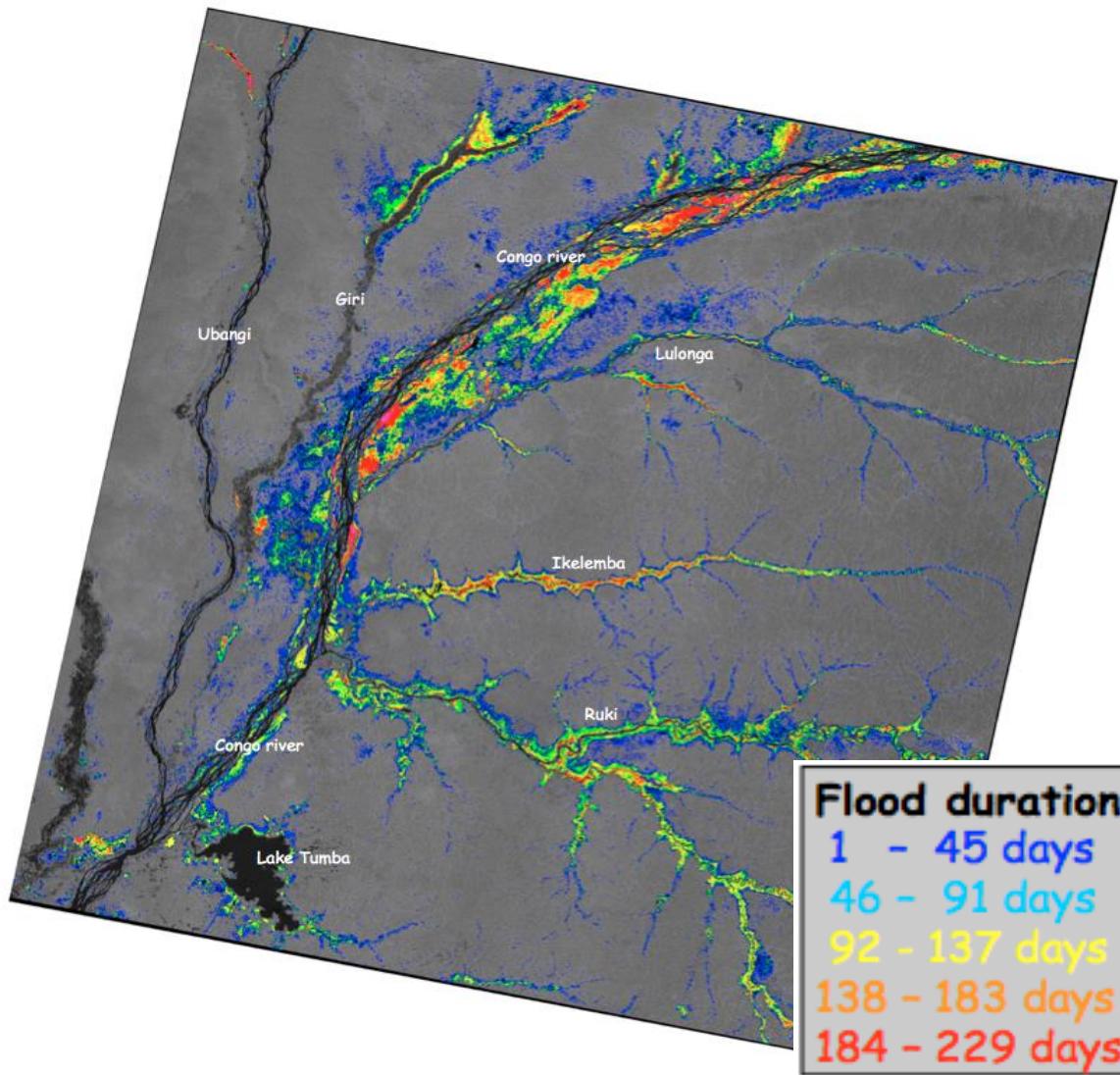
Plans – South America

- Full Amazon basin
- Generation of ANNUAL MAX and ANNUAL MIN inundation extent for all 7 years available (2007-2010 & 2015-2017)
- All-time MAX and MIN
- At sub-basin scale
- Inundation duration maps where data allow



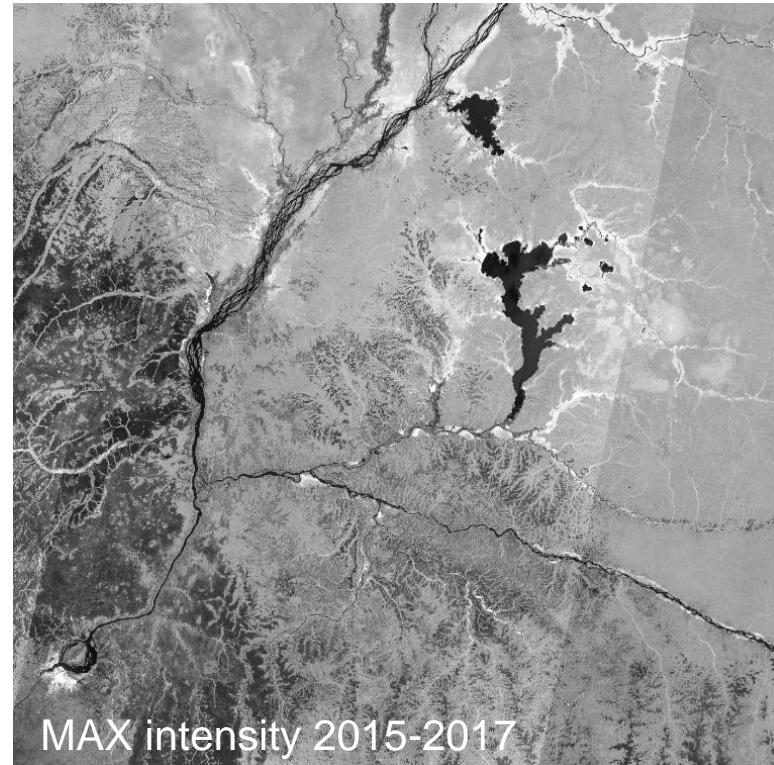
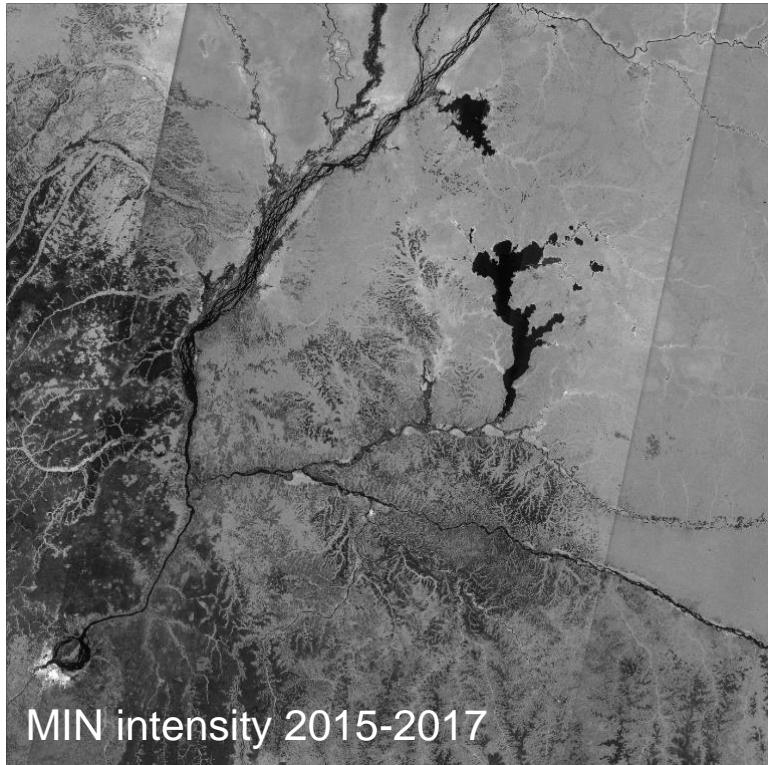


Mapping of inundation duration



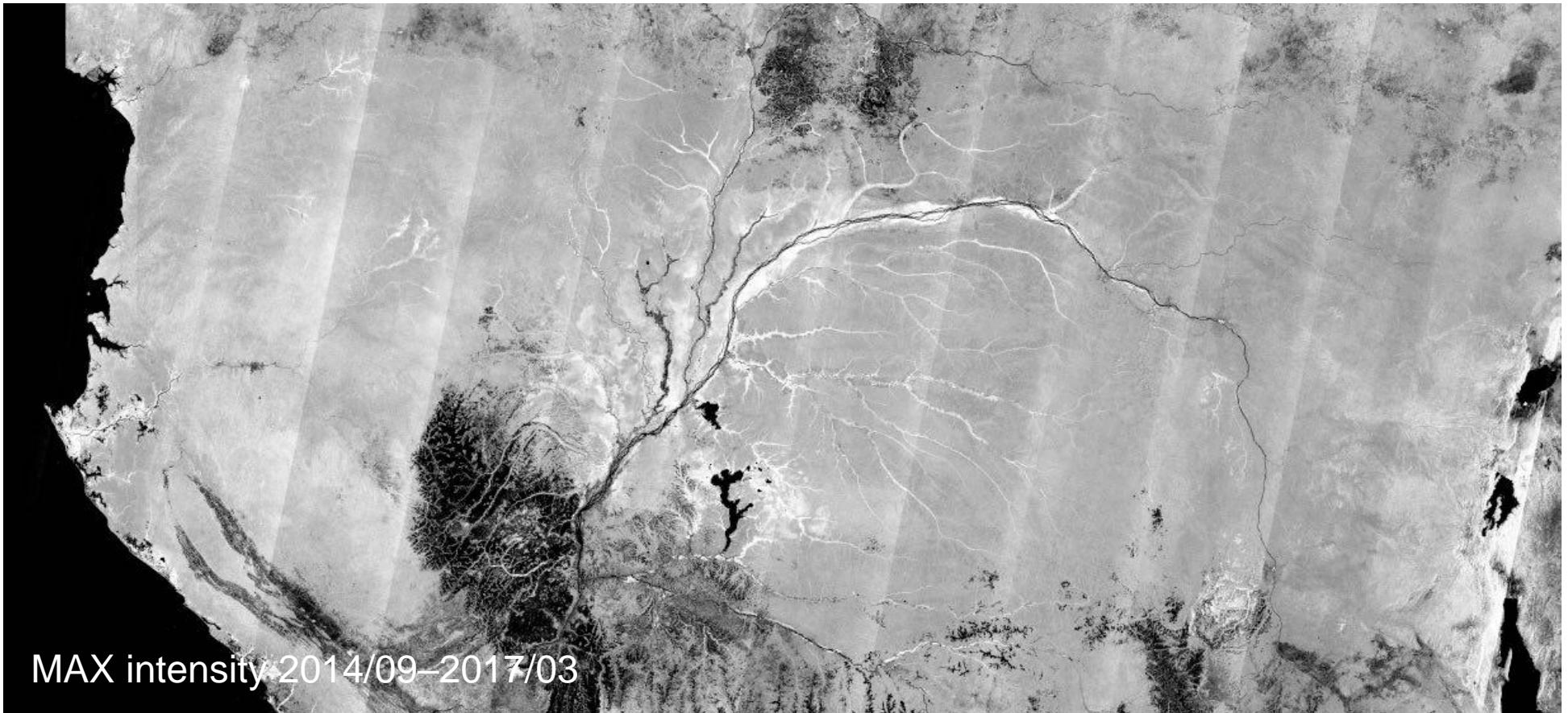
Plans – Africa

- Congo basin, Ogooué basin, Zambezi basin (parts)
- At least MAX and MIN inundation extent for the 2015-2017 period
- As far as data allows: Annual max and min and inundation duration maps at sub-basin level



Plans – Africa

- ScanSAR acquisition success rate varies between regions, leaving gaps in the coverage



What's new

Data availability

- Time-series over 7 annual epochs since 2007 (and counting)
- With K&C research programme, JAXA has assembled all ALOS and ALOS-2 ScanSAR data into regional ($1^\circ \times 1^\circ$) mosaics

Processing capacity

- Recent developments in computing capacity allow us to handle large amounts of data required for continental/sub-continental scale time-series mapping

Policy relevance

- e.g. SDG 6.6.1 (wetlands extent)
- Carbon cycle – CH₄ from wetlands

Potentials

- Unprecedented capacity to map below-canopy inundation extent over continental/sub-continental scales
- Improved geospatial information about inundation regimes in (forested) Ramsar sites and other key wetlands
- Indicator of disturbance

Notes

- Intergration of C-band SAR (Sentinel-1A/B) time-series
- The usefulness of L-band and C-band time-series for characterisation of other wetland types
- Current efforts undertaken within the research domain (voluntary). Longer term operational activity desired.