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Overview

- **Product name:** Flood extent, duration and inundation maps over a twelve month period in the Mekong River Basin and the Alligator Rivers Region of Northern Australia
- **Description:** Development of a flood mapping system using one-year time sequences of PALSAR data in scansar mode to map flood extent and capable of depicting the extent and changes in the pattern of inundation over time within the wetlands of the Mekong River Basin
- **PALSAR mode:** Scansar
- **Observation cycles:**
- **Production schedule (estimated):**
 - Validate geometric co-registration and radiometric consistency of regional-scale multi-temporal SCANSAR strip and mosaic data. (March 2008).
 - Design and implement automated change detection techniques to map changes in flood extent as depicted on seasonally different mosaic imagery (September 2008).
 - Generate regional scale seasonally based flood maps of the Mekong River Basin (December 2008).
- **Estimated date of delivery:** 12-18 months from receipt of multi-temporal datasets.

Indochina / SE-Asia
JERS-1 SAR

Attepeu - Lao

Songkram River Basin - Thailand

Stoeng Treng – Cambodia

Tonle Sap- Cambodia

Plain of Reeds - Vietnam





Project Aims

Specific aims

- Location of all wetlands in LMB
- Type and distribution of wetlands
- Status, namely condition and disturbance
- Provide baseline dataset for comparisons
- Identify areas subject to disturbance by seasonality and human interference
- Ensure methodology to be repeatable.



Project Objectives

Specific objectives are to:

- Establish a baseline dataset of wetland extent and characteristics;
- Map spatial and temporal variations in hydrological conditions in LMB wetland ecosystems;
- Map inundation patterns and hydroperiod of LMB wetland ecosystems; and
- Establish a compatible and operational monitoring system for the mapping and continued evaluation of wetlands in the LMB (with consideration of existing MRC spatial information infrastructure and capabilities).

Study Areas

Local study areas;

Tram Chim, Plain of Reeds, Vietnam

Tonle Sap, Cambodia

Songkram River Basin – Thailand

Attepeu – Lao

Stoeng Treng - Cambodia

(Alligator Rivers – Northern Australia)

Prototype Areas:

Lower Mekong Basin

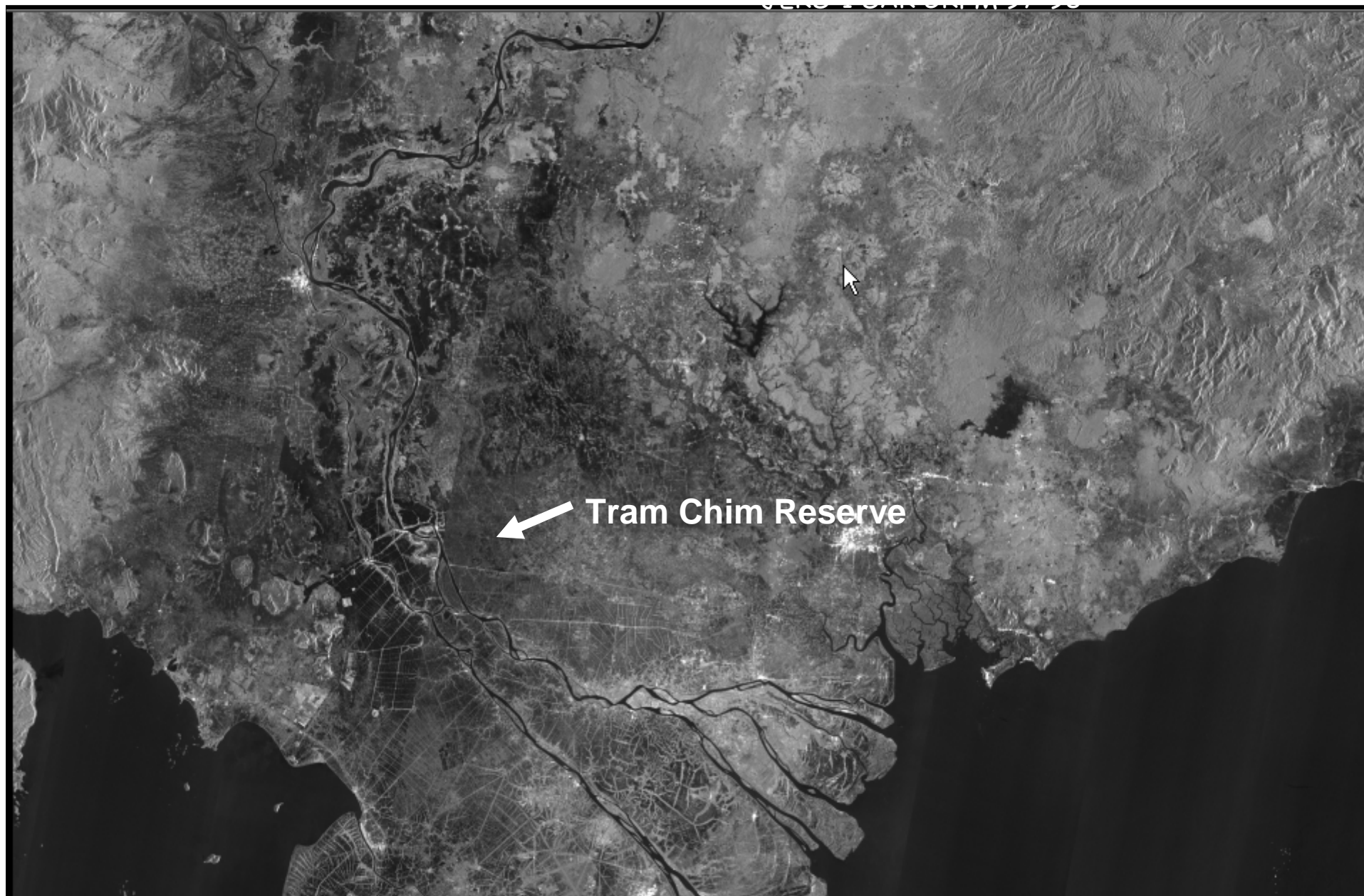
Kakadu World Heritage Region, Northern Australia)

Product areas:

Greater Mekong Basin

(Northern Australia)

Plain of Reeds, Vietnam





Tram Chim Reserve, Plain of Reeds, Vietnam
(Google)

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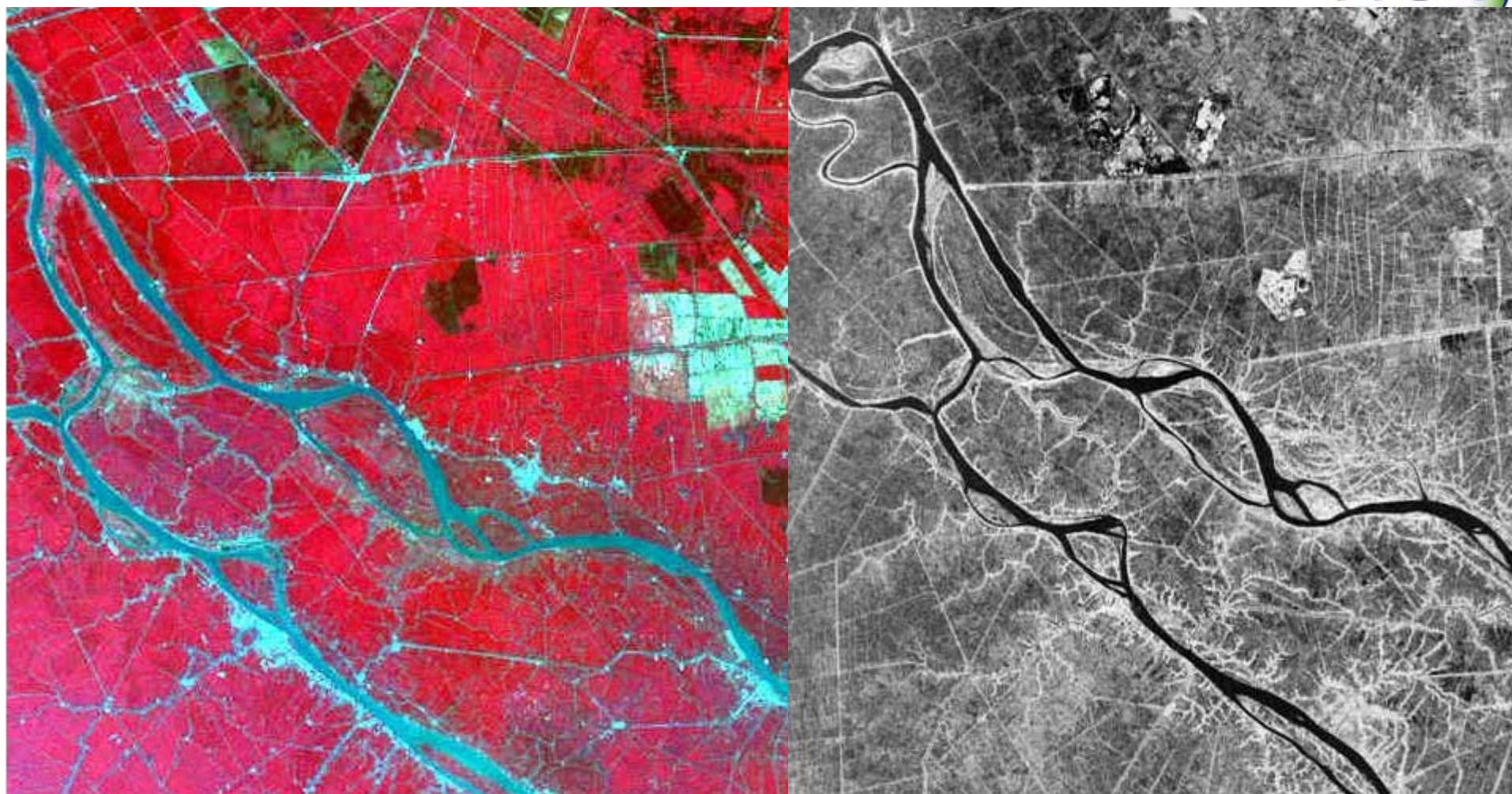
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Tram Chim Reserve, Plain of Reeds, Vietnam



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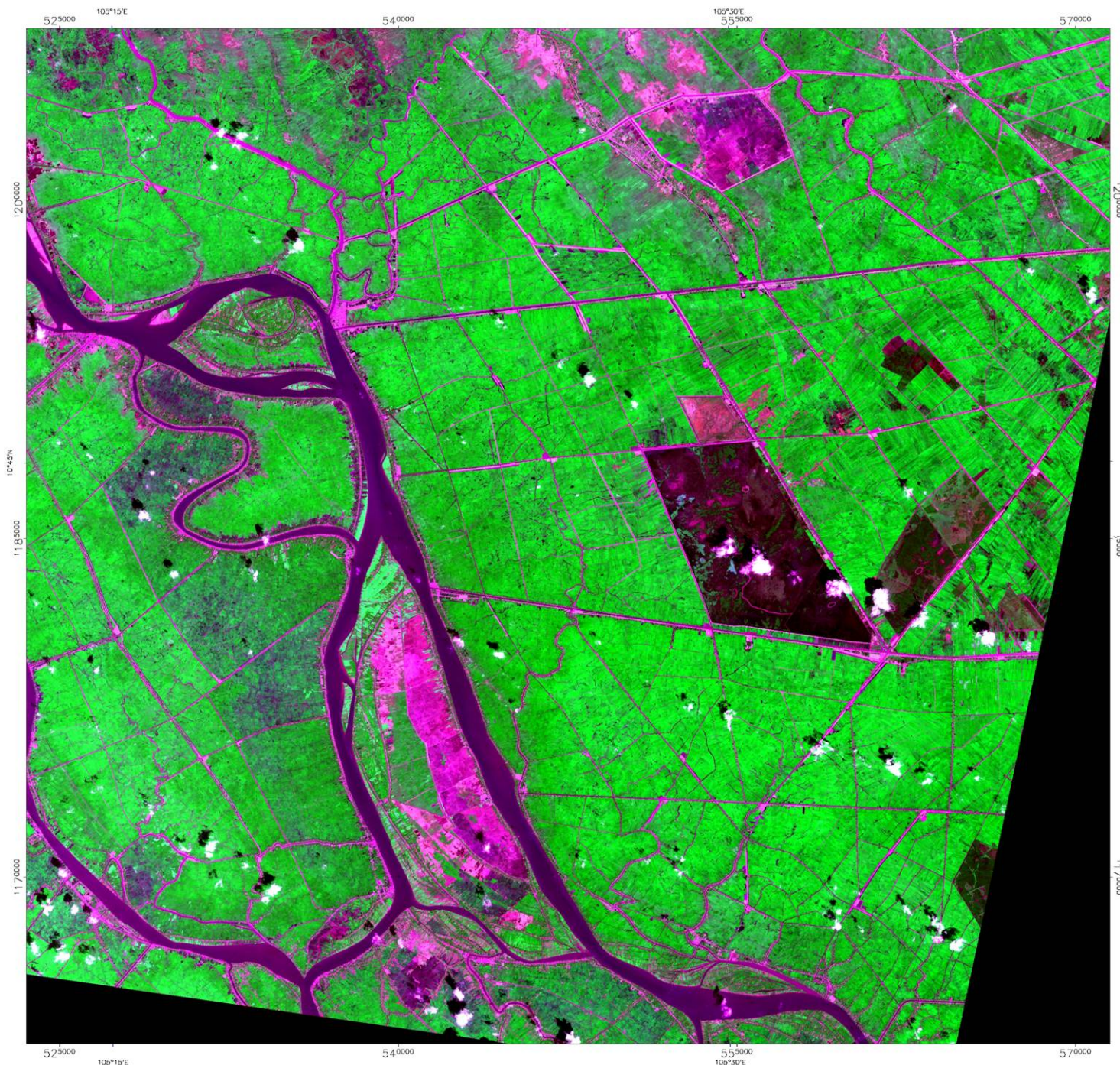
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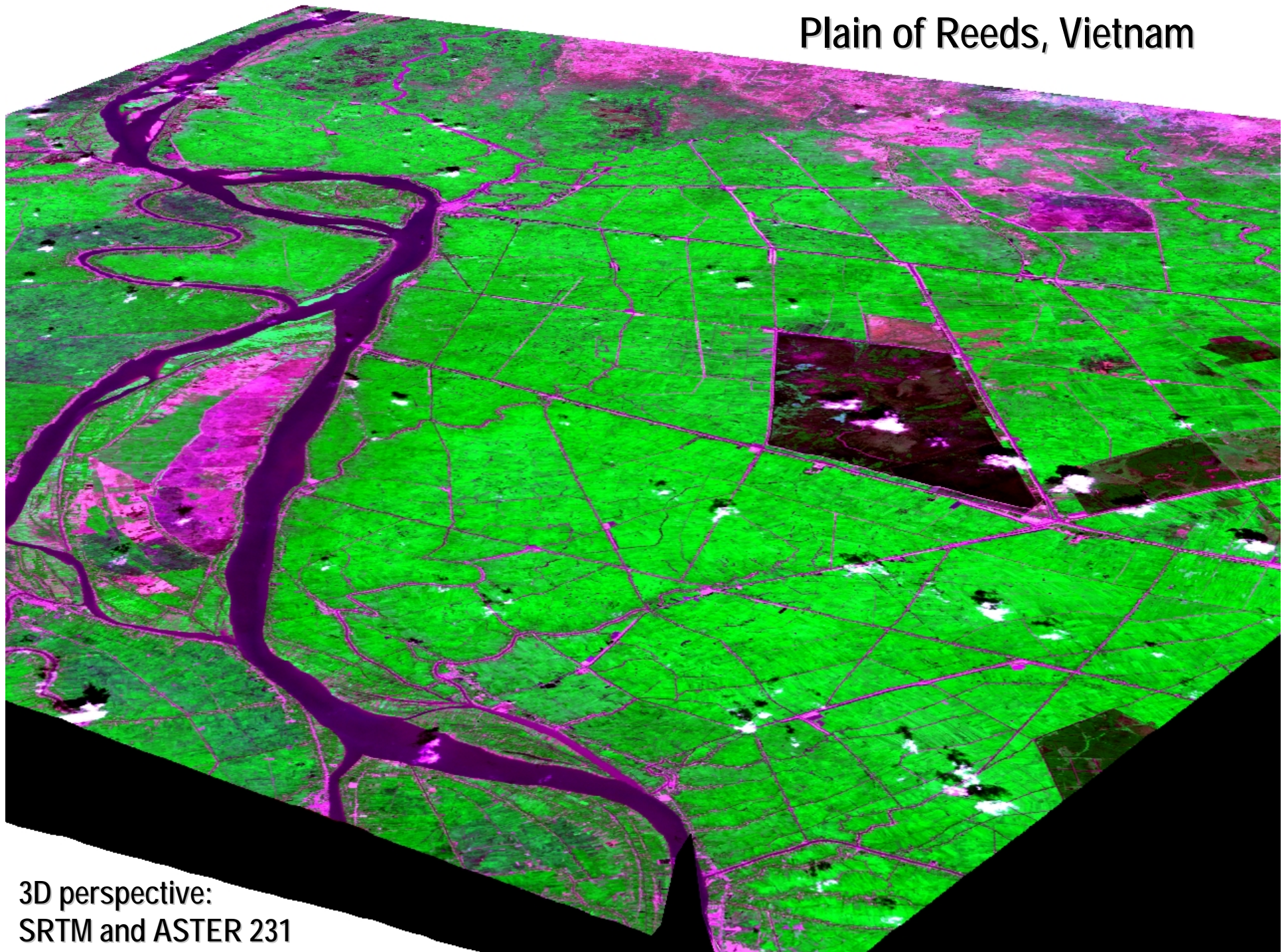
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Plain of Reeds, Vietnam

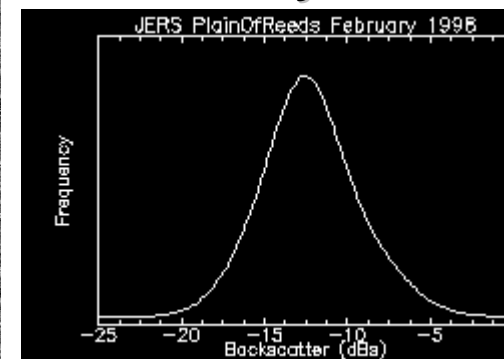


3D perspective:
SRTM and ASTER 231

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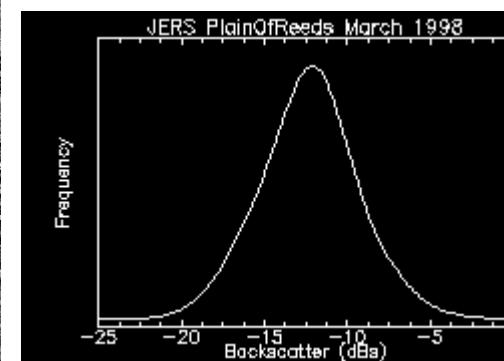
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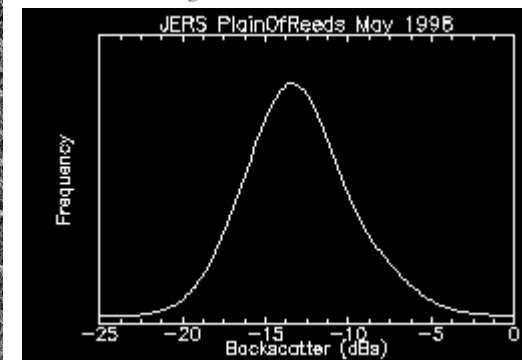
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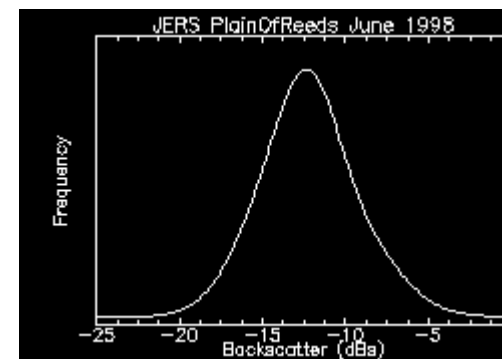
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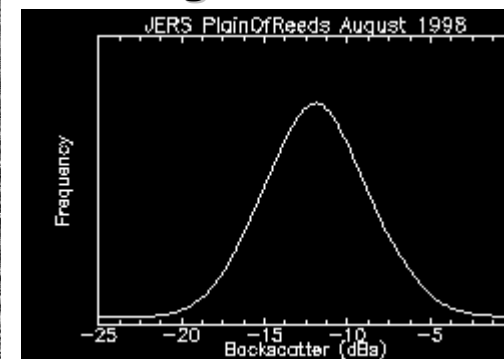
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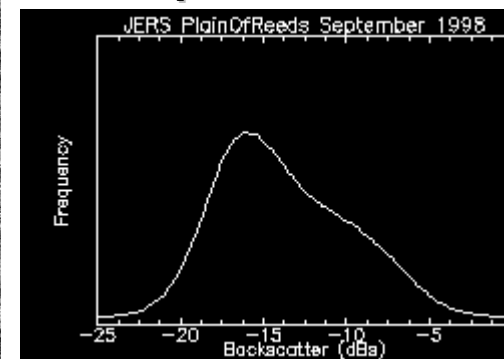
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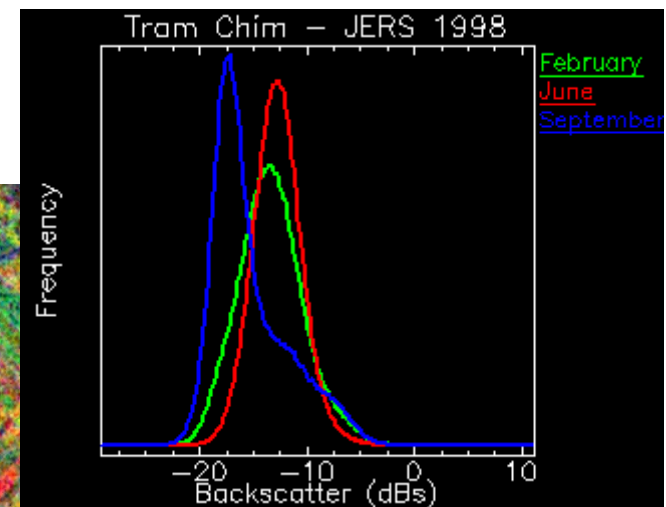
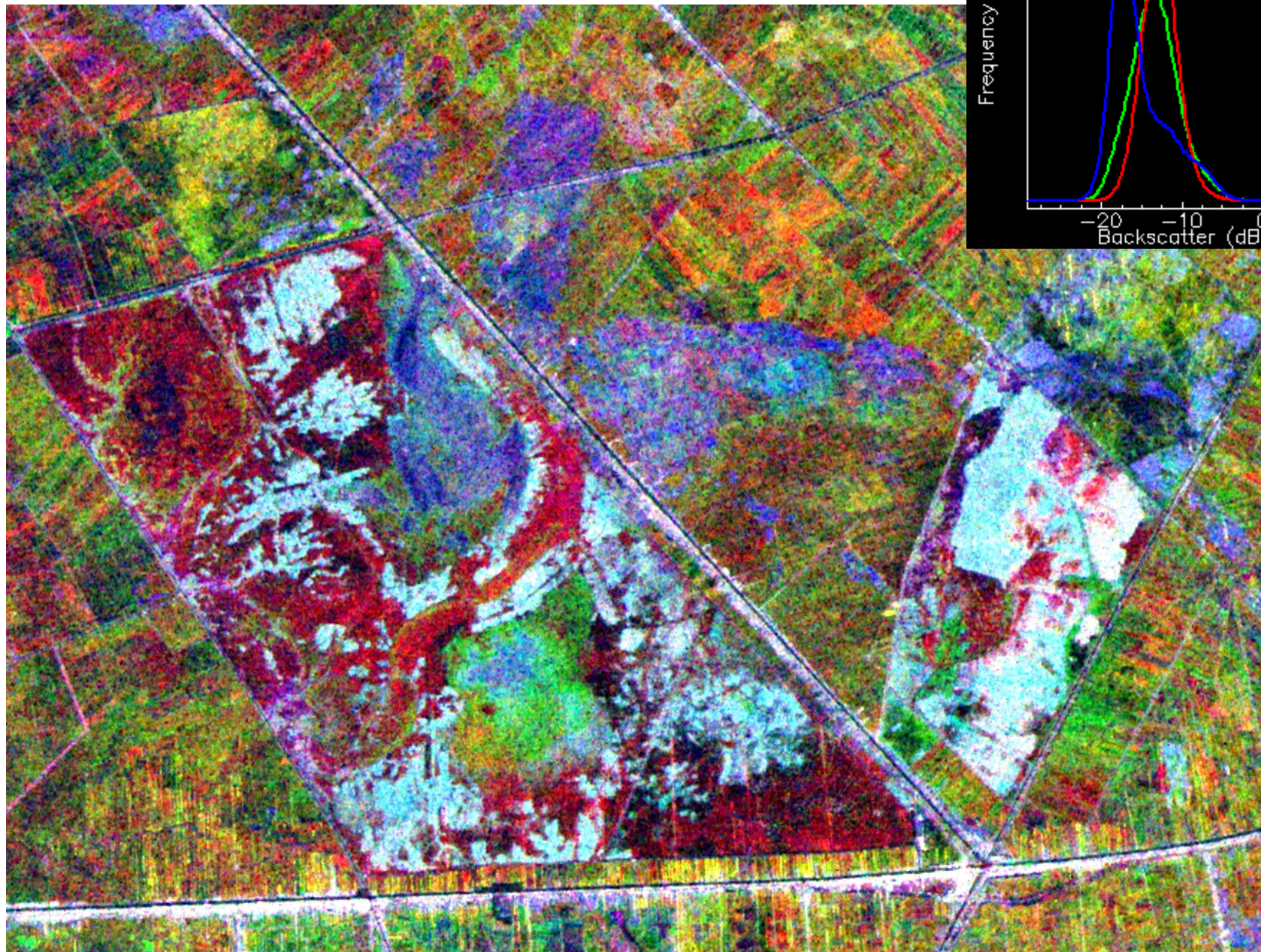
Tram Chim Reserve, Plain-of-Reeds

Time-series JERS SAR
February-September
1998

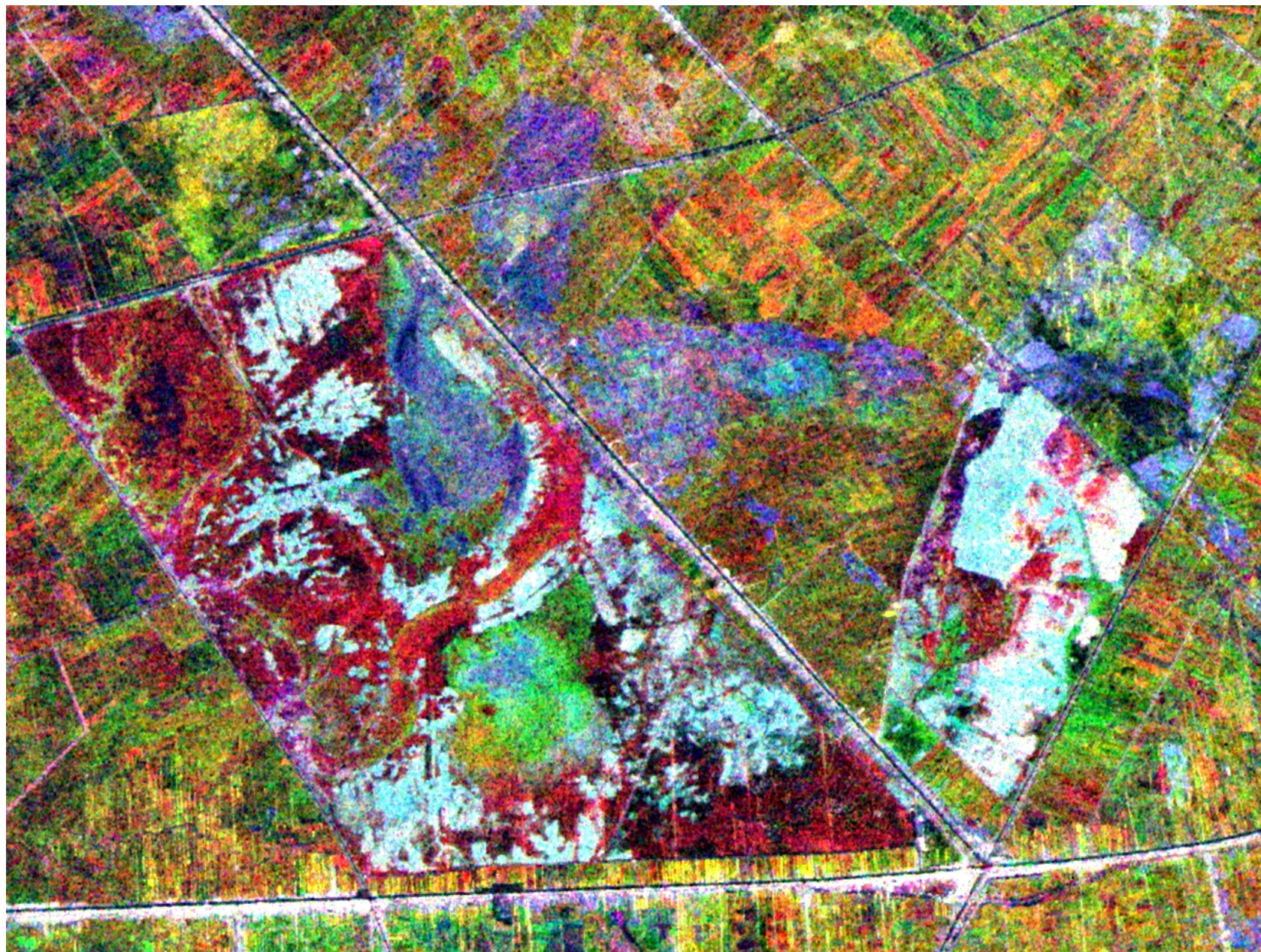


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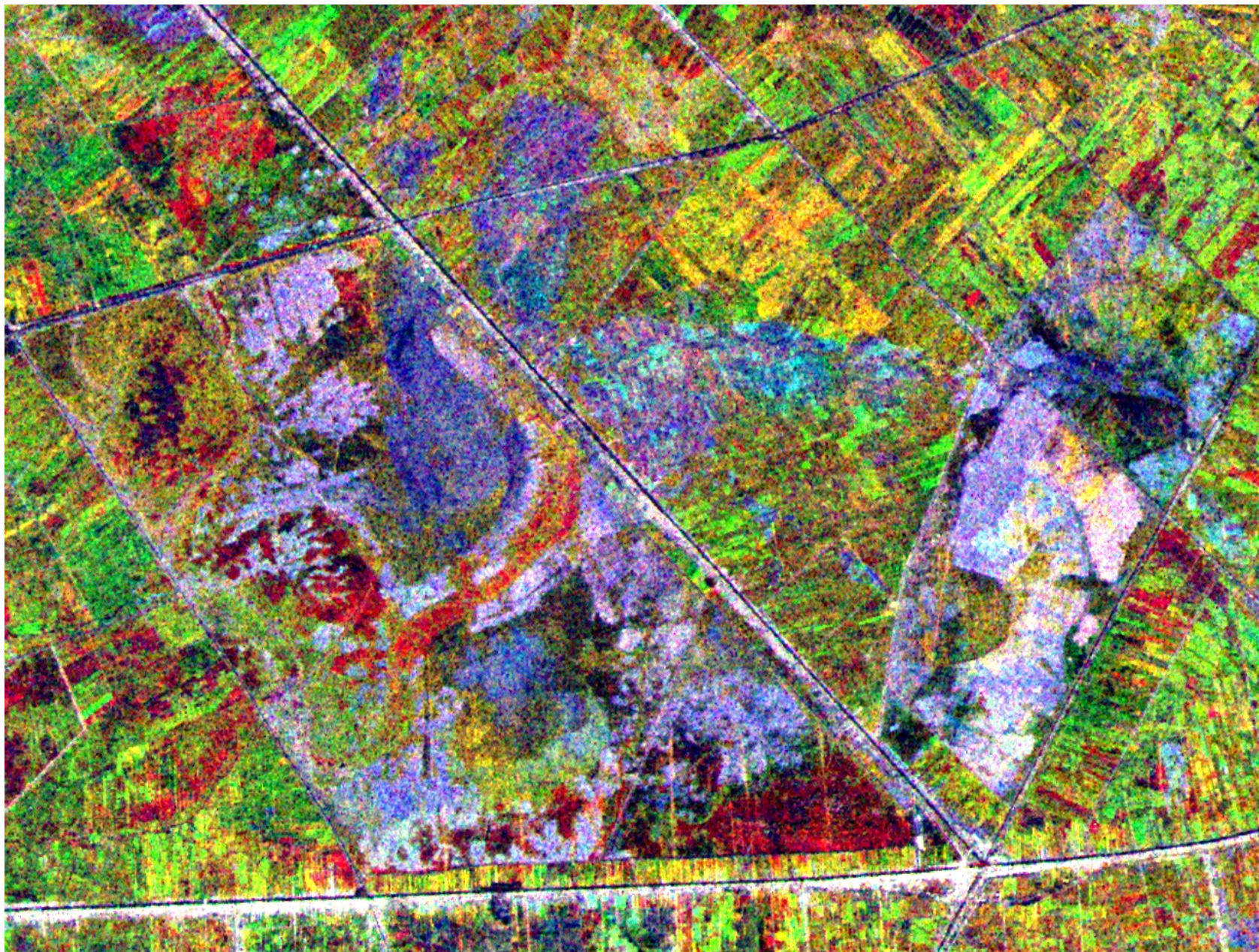
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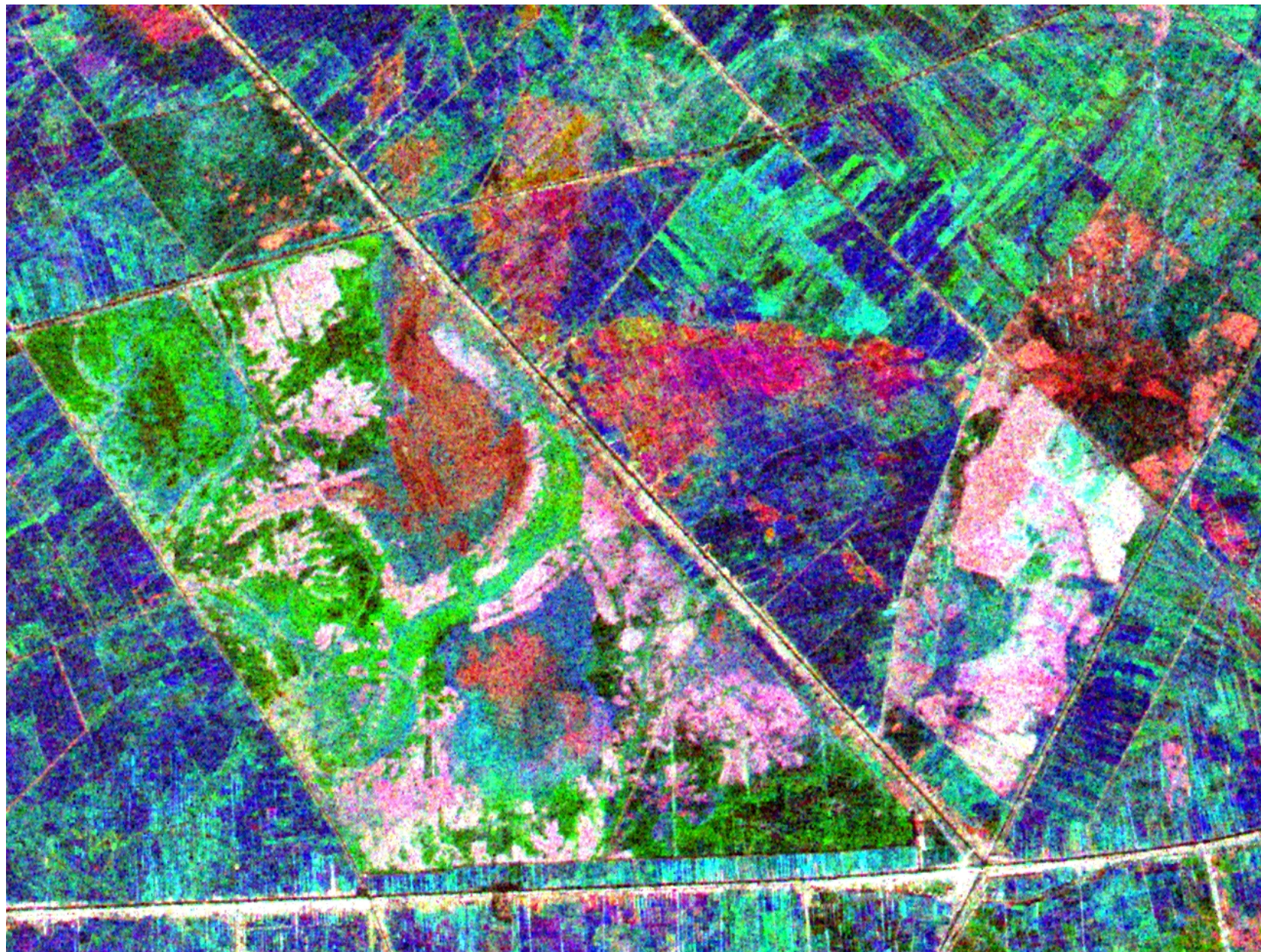
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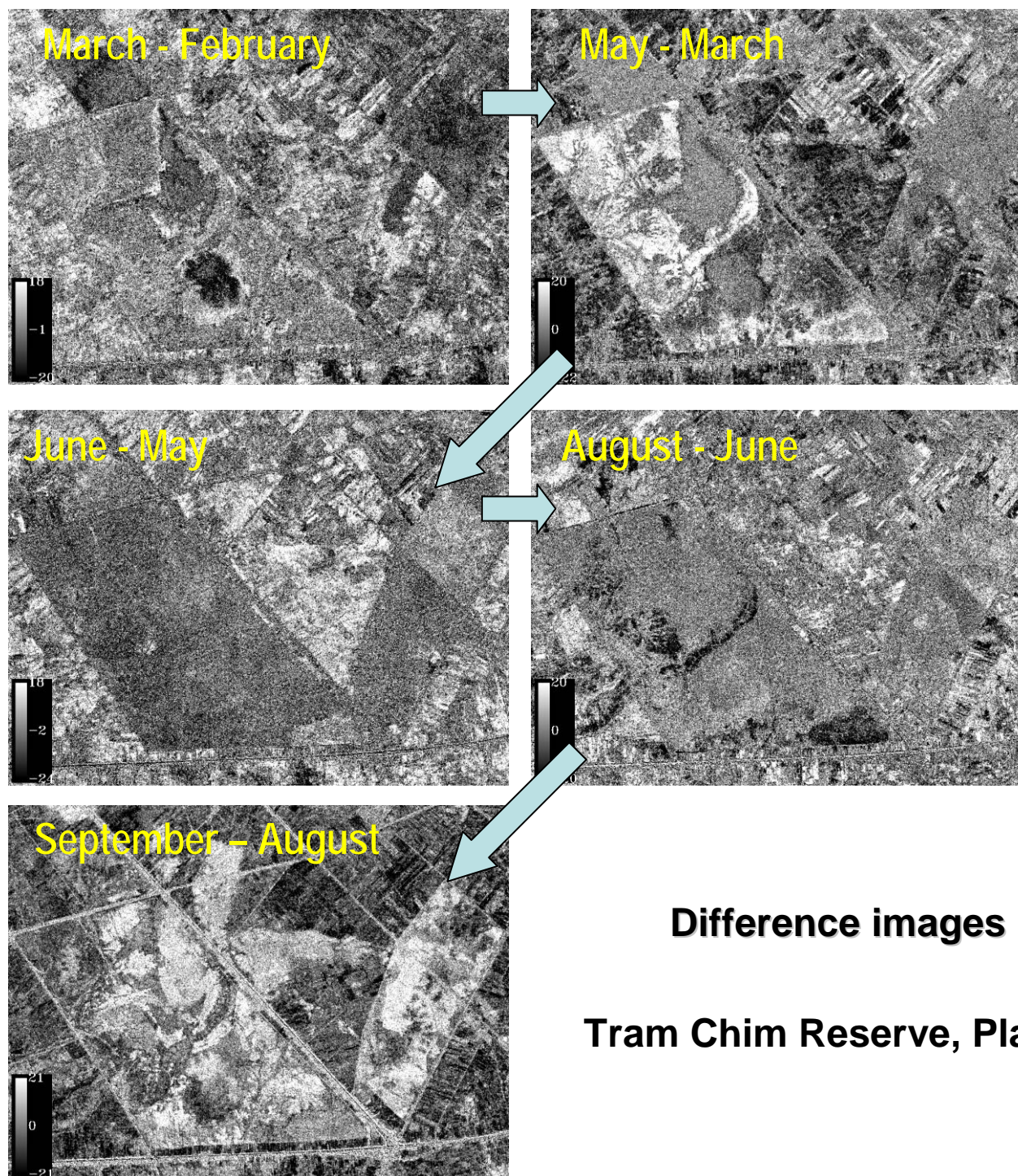


Tram Chim Reserve – JERS-1 SAR 1998
June / Aug / Sept (RGB)



Tram Chim Reserve – JERS-1 SAR 1998
Sept / May / March (RGB)





Difference images

Tram Chim Reserve, Plain of Reeds, Vietnam

February



June minus Feb.

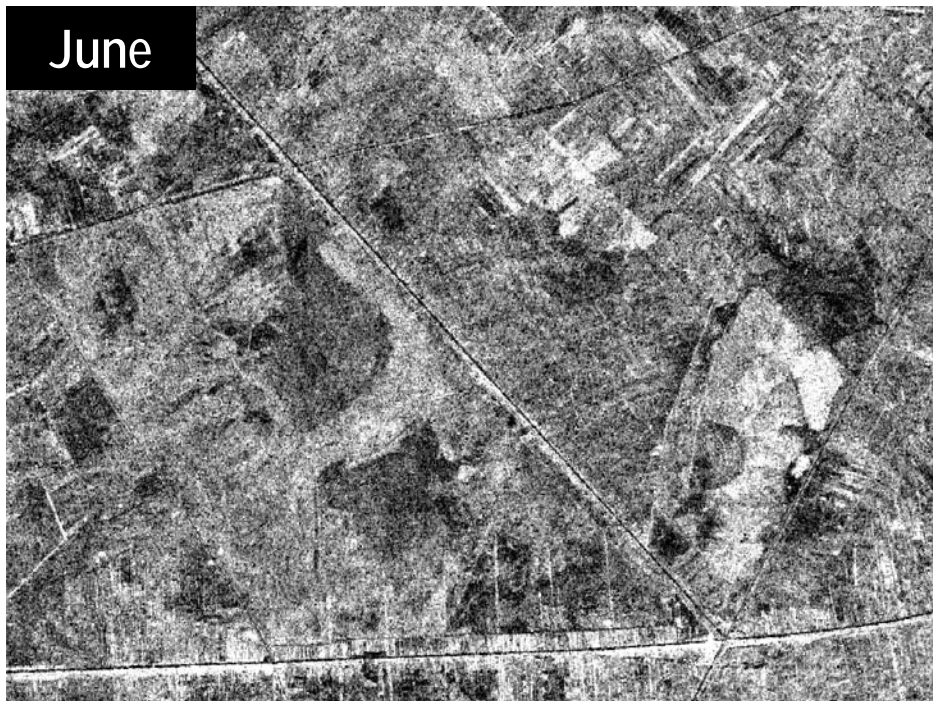


June



**Tram Chim Reserve,
Plain of Reeds, Vietnam**

June



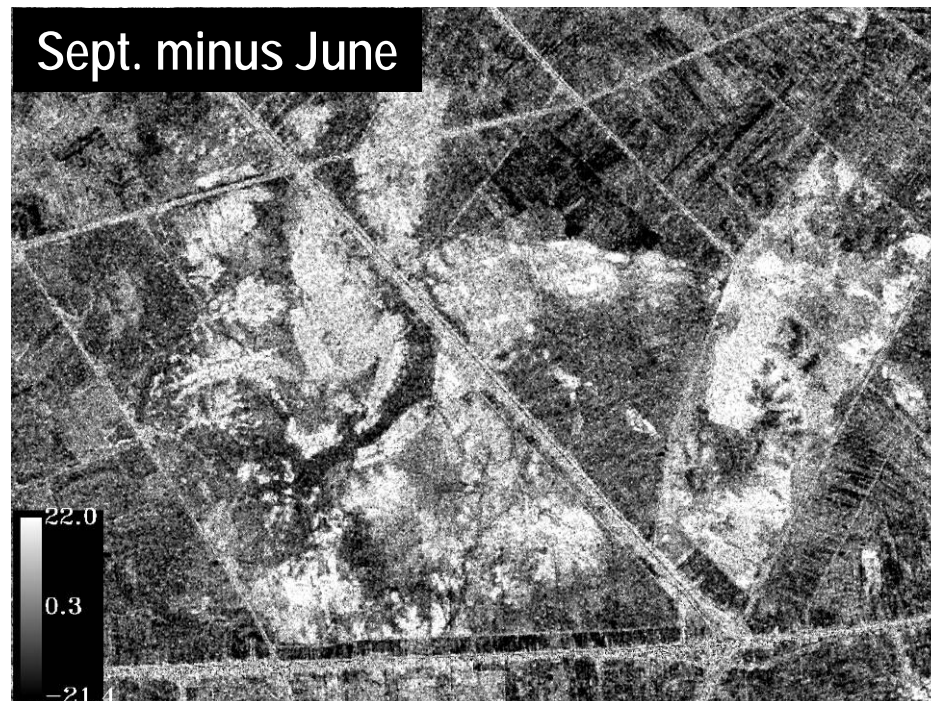
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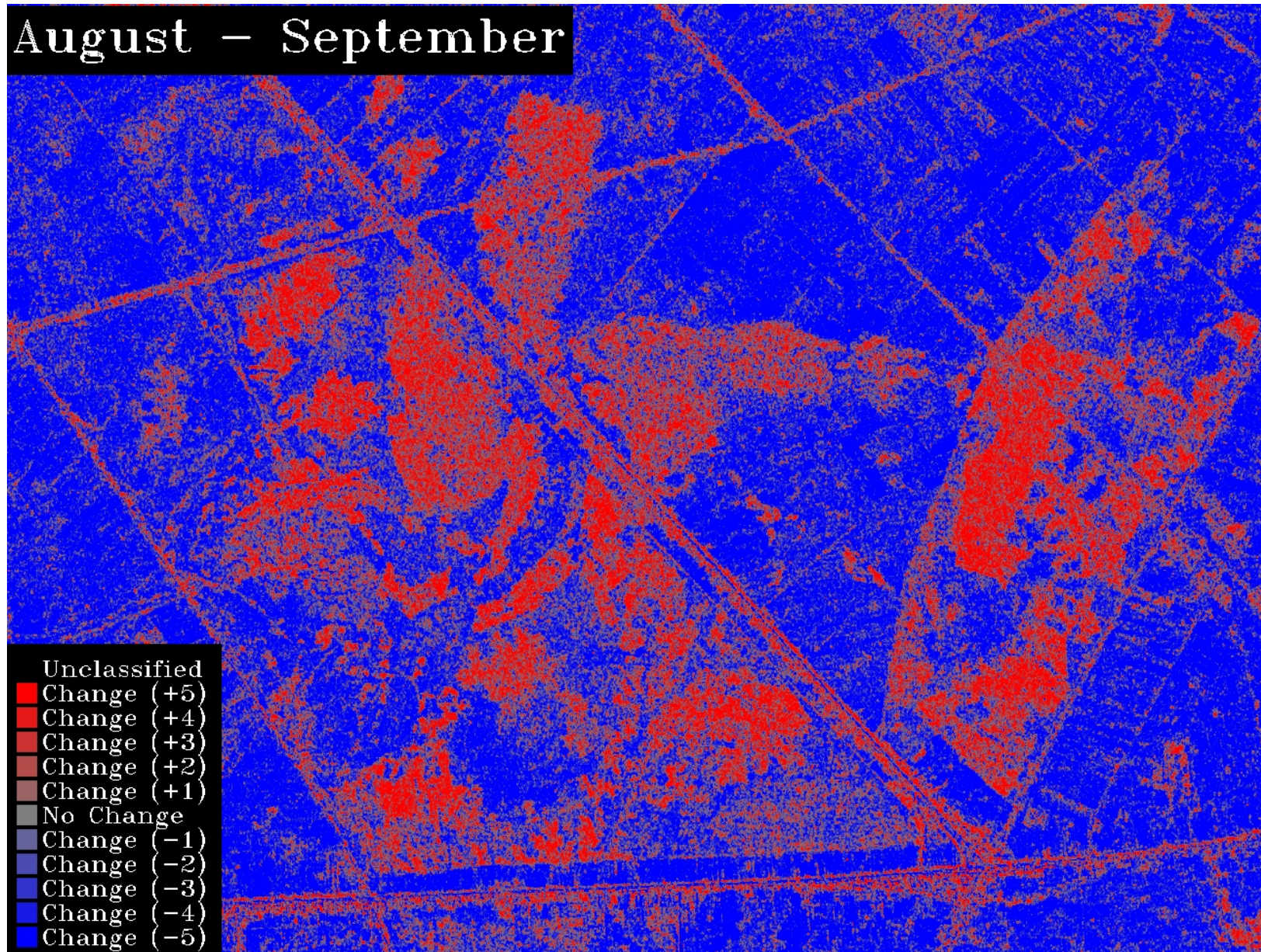
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Sept. minus June



August – September



Change Image - Tram Chim Reserve, Plain of Reeds, Vietnam

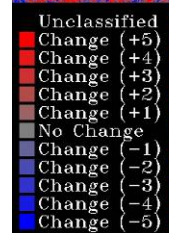
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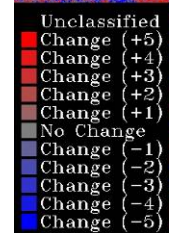
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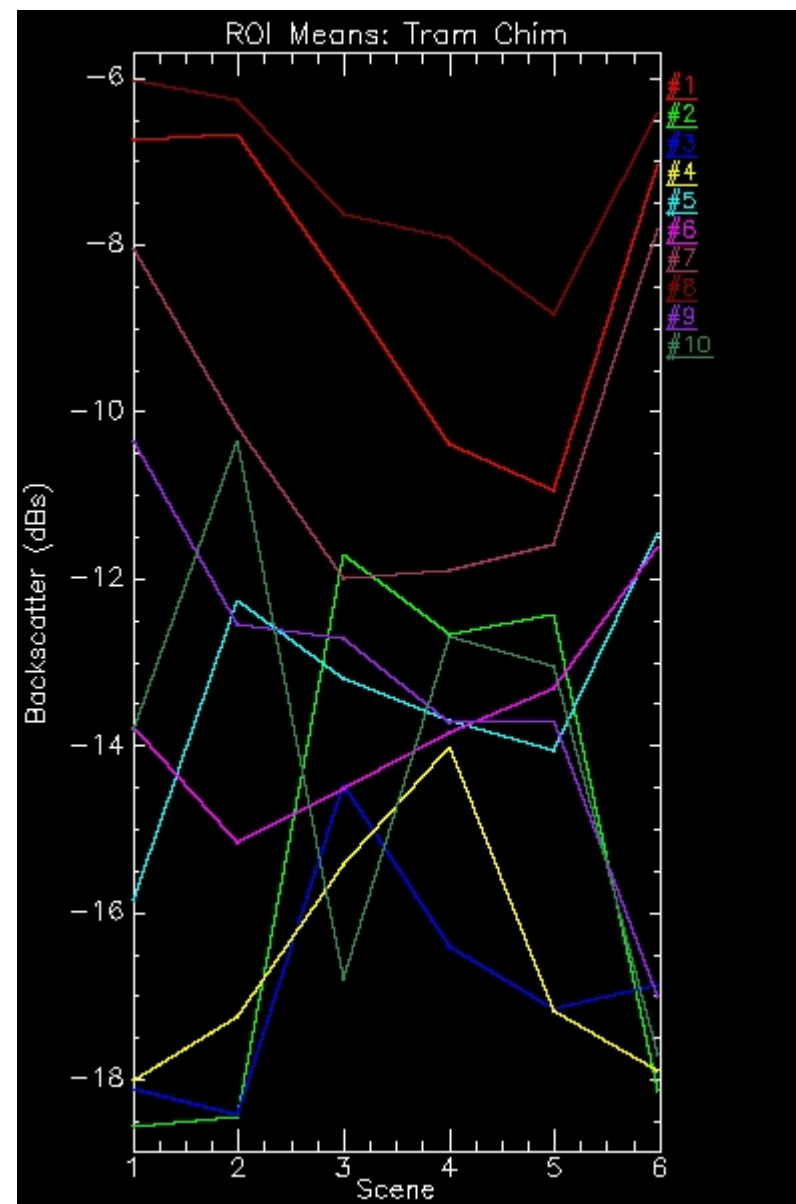
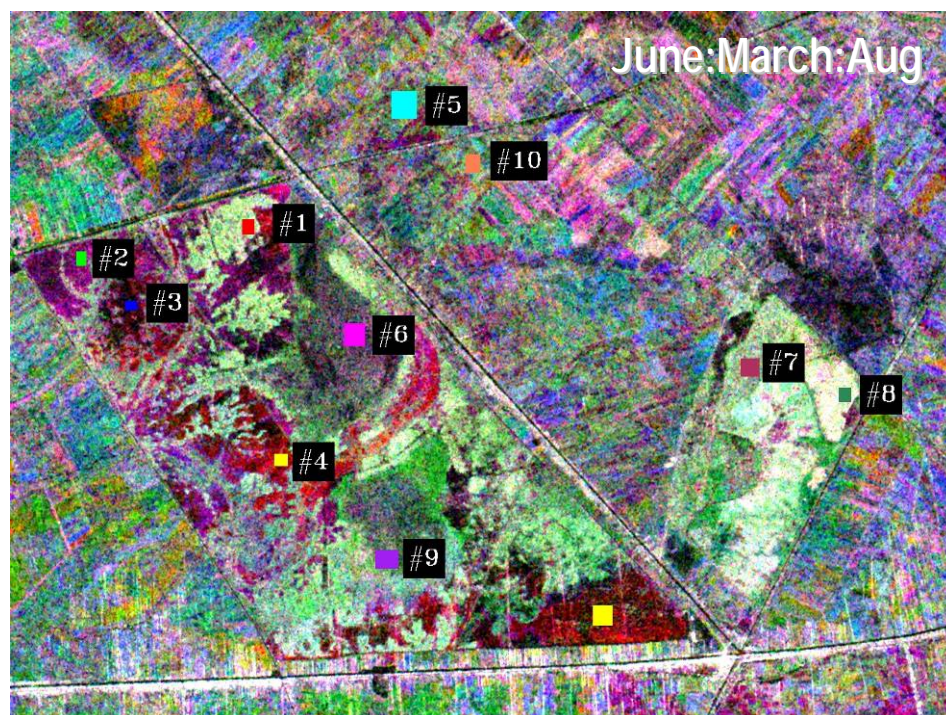
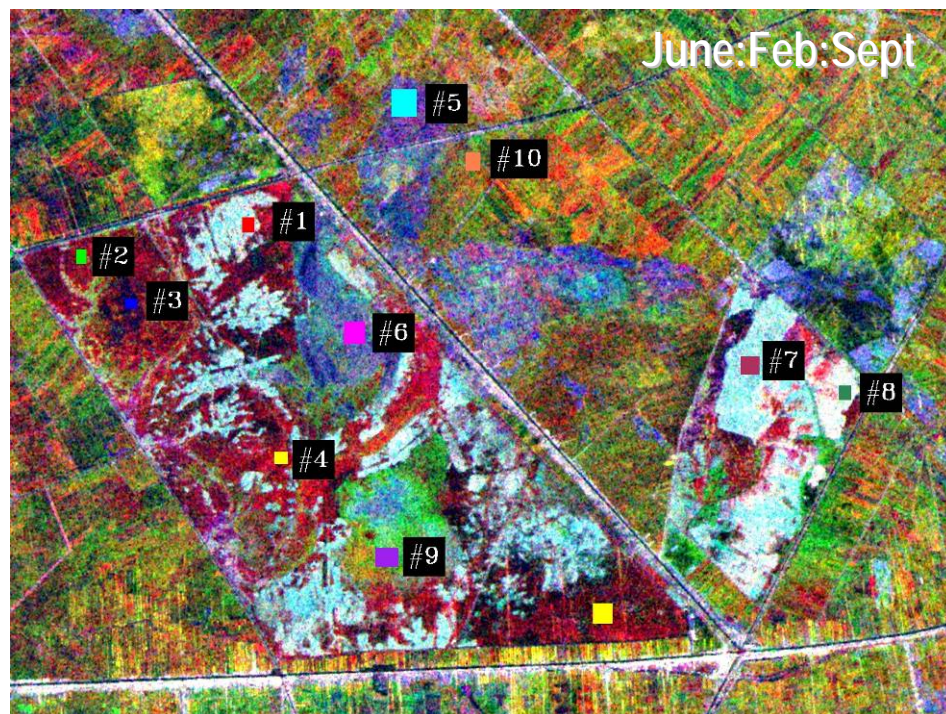


March – May



June – August





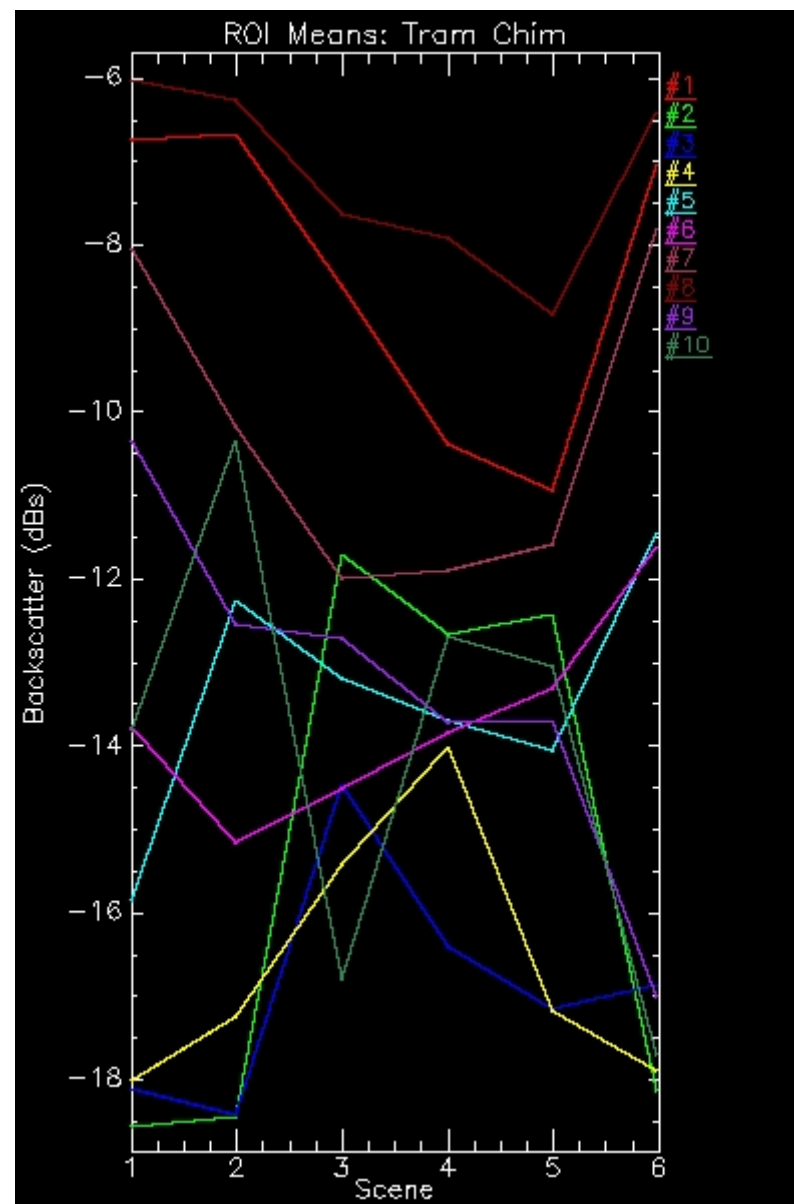
Regions of Interest

Spectral separability between selected ROI pairs. Both the Jeffries-Matusita and Transformed Divergence separability measures are reported. These values range from 0 to 2.0 and indicate how well the selected ROI pairs are statistically separate. Values greater than 1.9 indicate that the ROI pairs have good separability.

Pair Separation (least to most):

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Region #5 and Region #6	1.23472027
Region #3 and Region #4	1.27475011
Region #1 and Region #7	1.45279074
Region #9 and Region #10	1.75637739
Region #2 and Region #4	1.82570509
Region #7 and Region #8	1.88894688
Region #8 and Region #10	1.90432373
Region #6 and Region #9	1.92509872
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Regions of Interest



29 May 2006 PALSAR

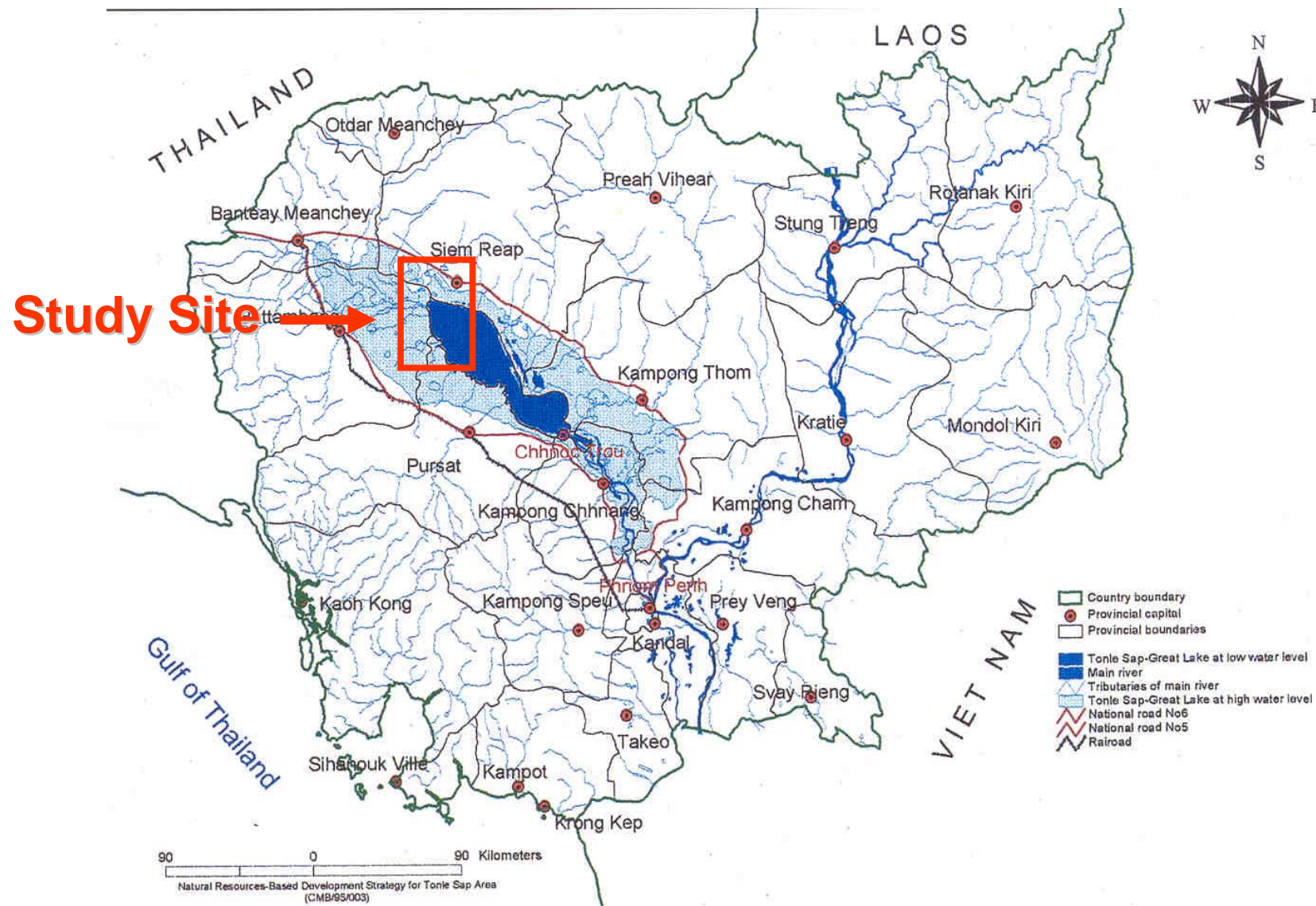
Tram Chim Reserve



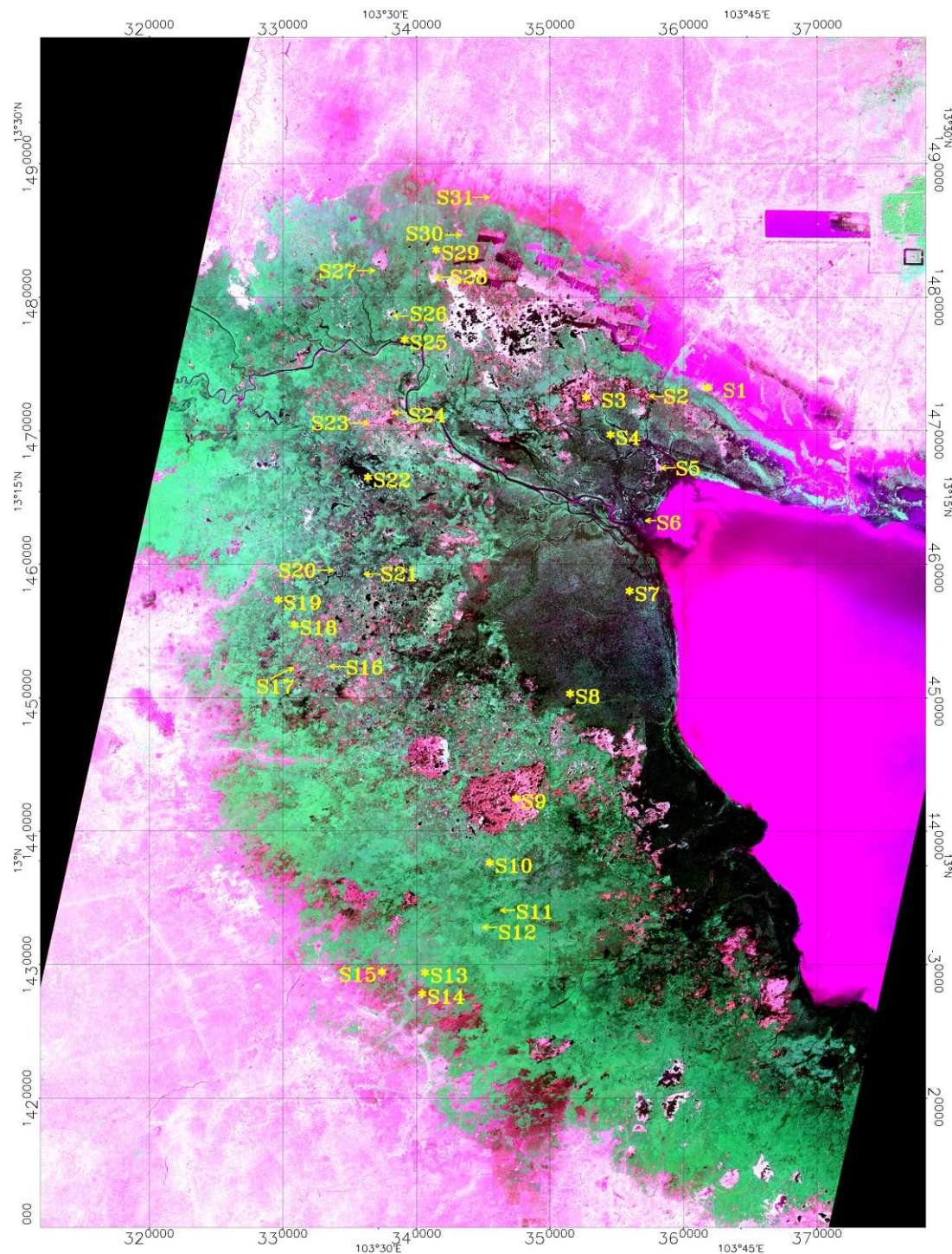
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Tram Chim Reserve





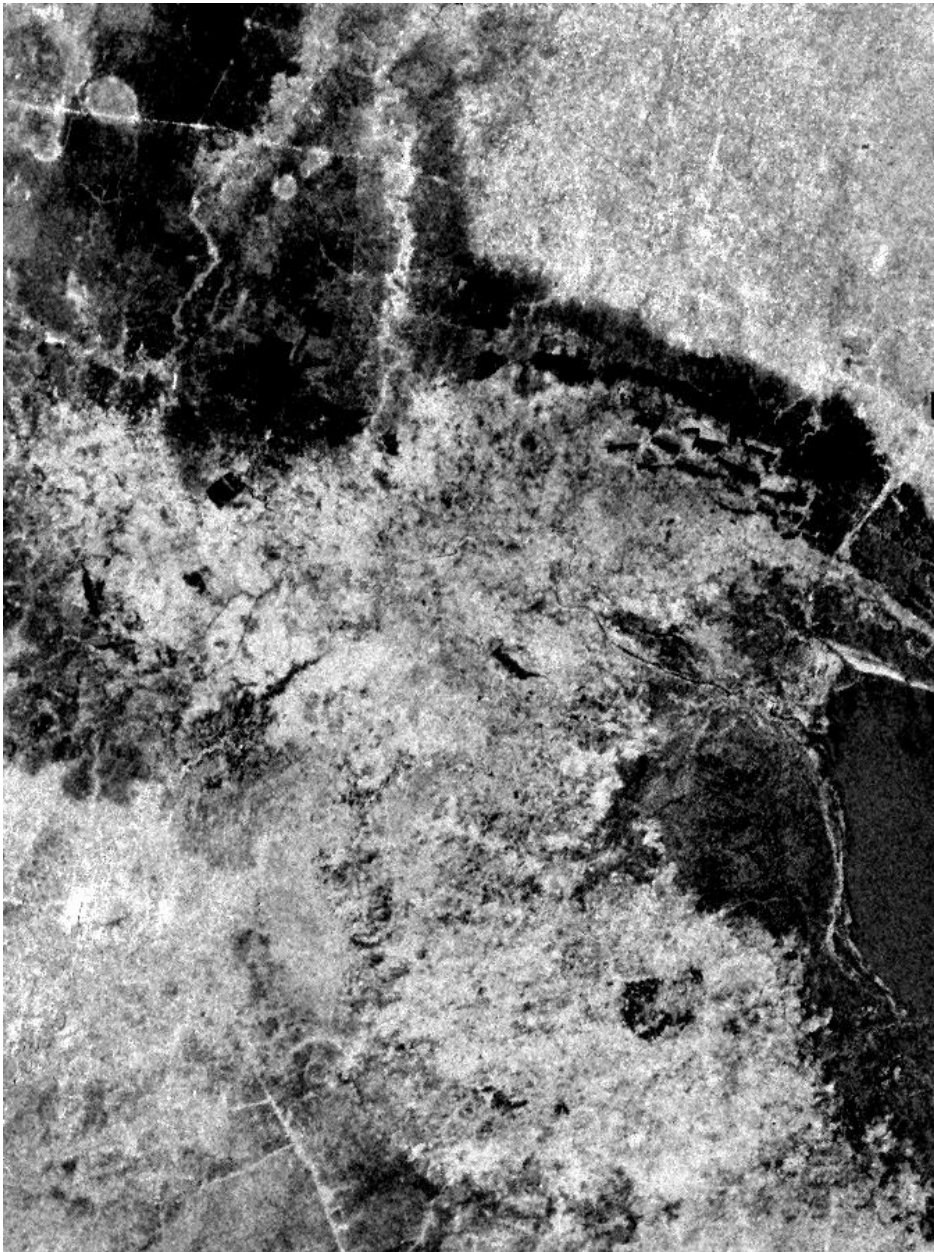
Tonle Sap Great Lake



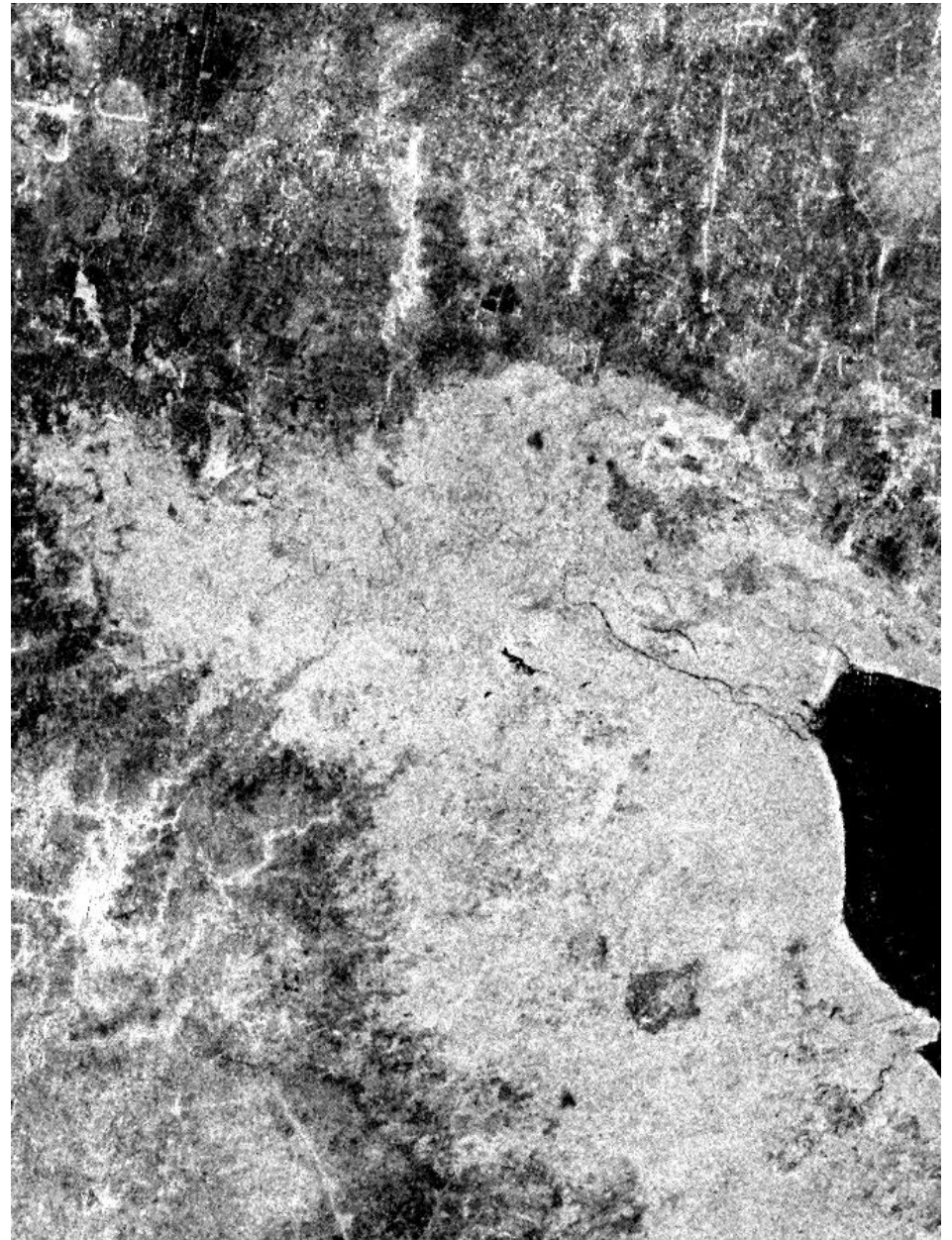
ASTER coverage (Bands 2:3:1 RGB) of wetland site adjacent to Lake Tonle Sap, with the locations of AIRSAR field sites discussed in this study. These ASTER data were collected on 10th January 2002.



Multi-date JERS-1 SAR images of Tonle Sap wetlands highlighting the variability in radar backscatter in response to an increase in surface run-off from river systems originating in highlands north of the site.



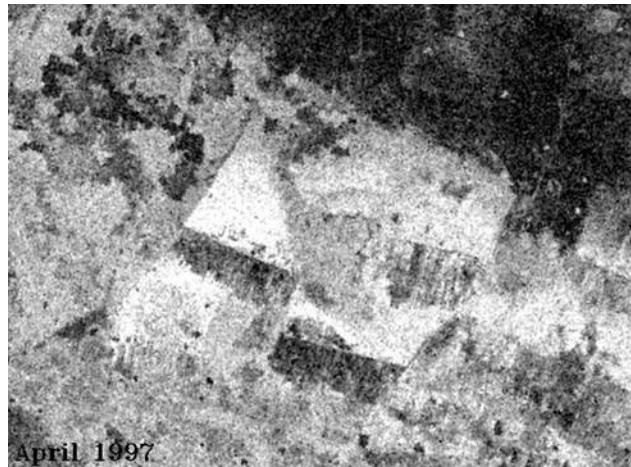
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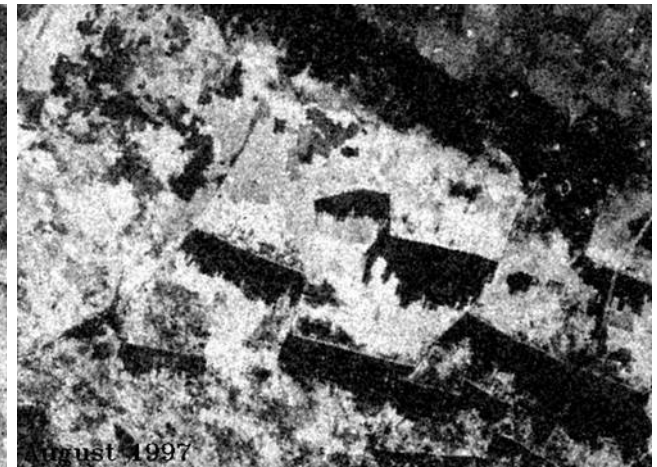
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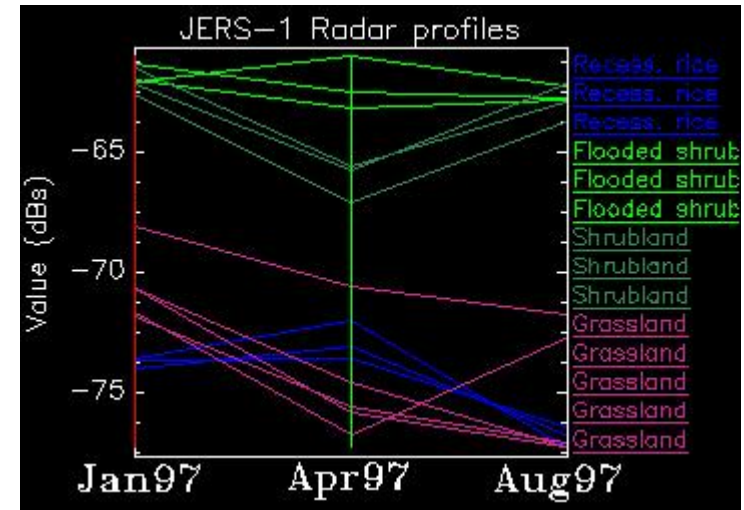
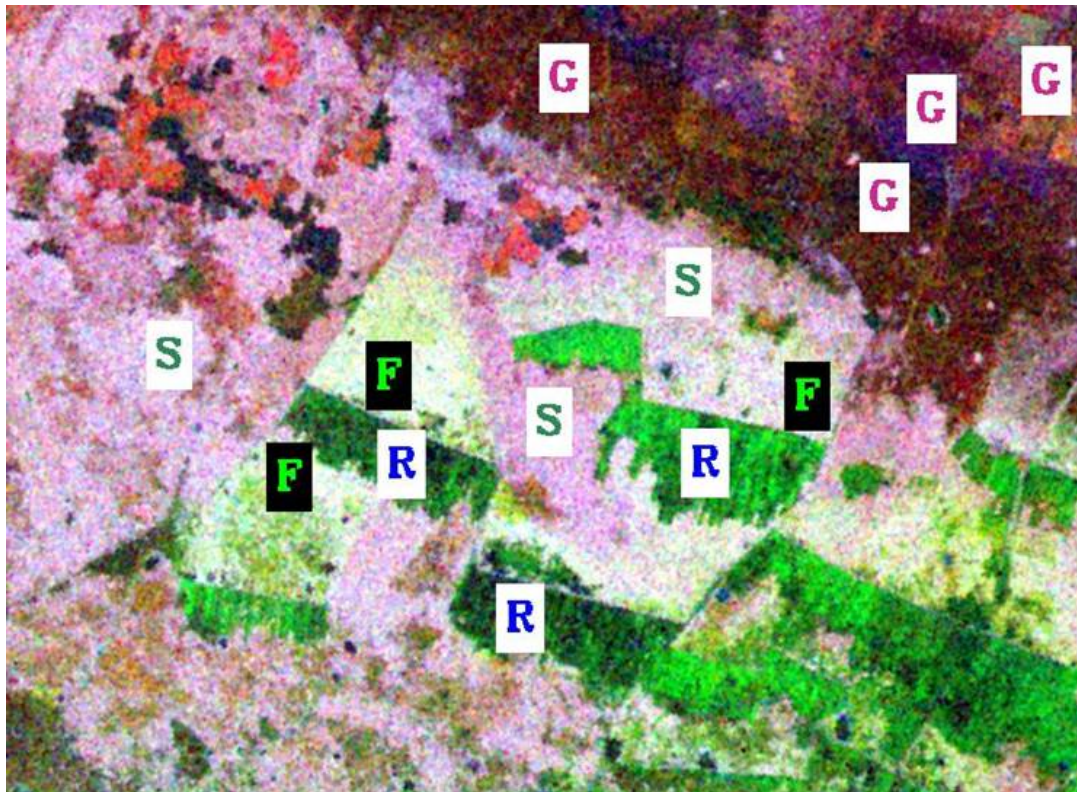
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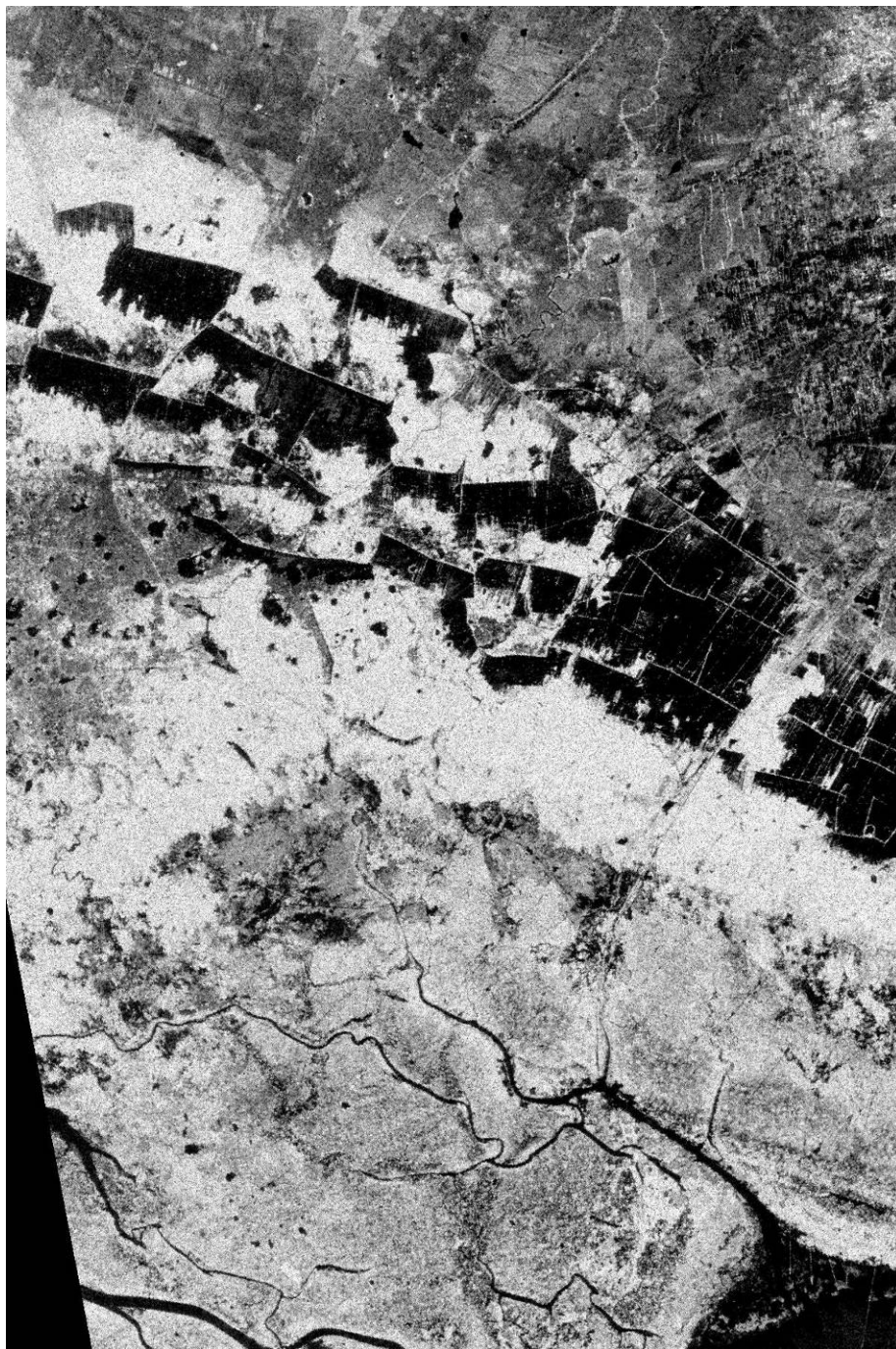


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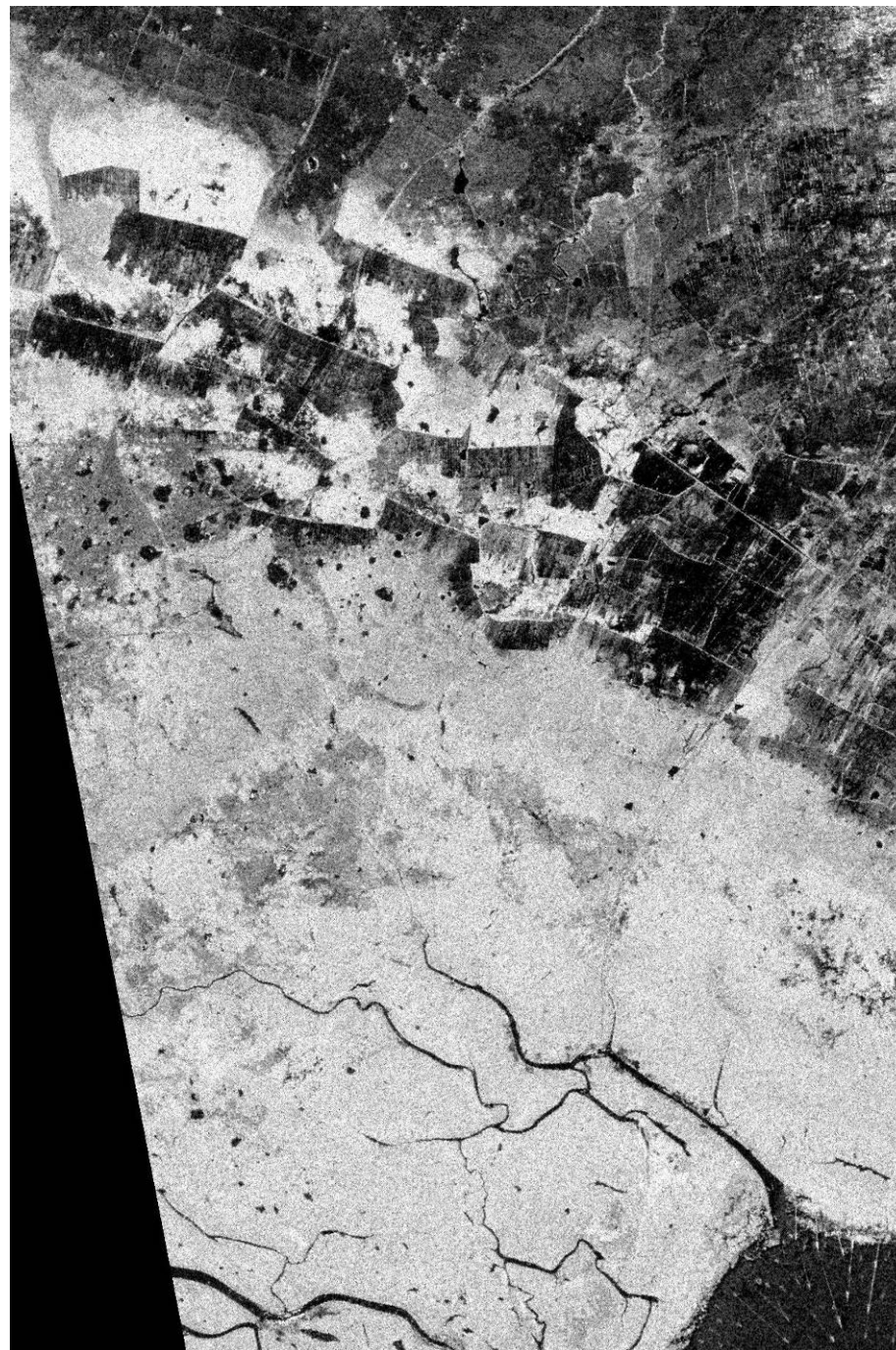


Sample sites and spectra for recession rice, flooded shrublands, shrubland and grasslands growing on abandoned rice-fields

JERS-1 radar images for January, April and August 1997, and RGB colour-composite image

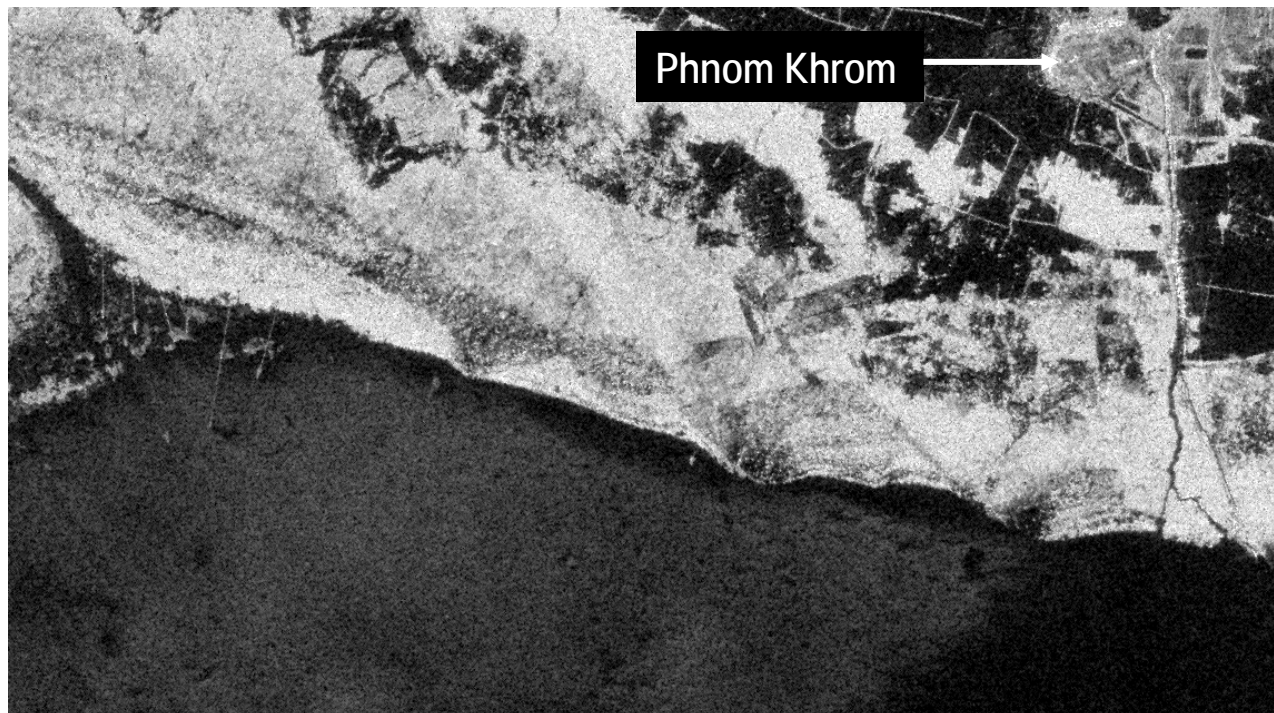


PALSAR FBS – 28 December 2006

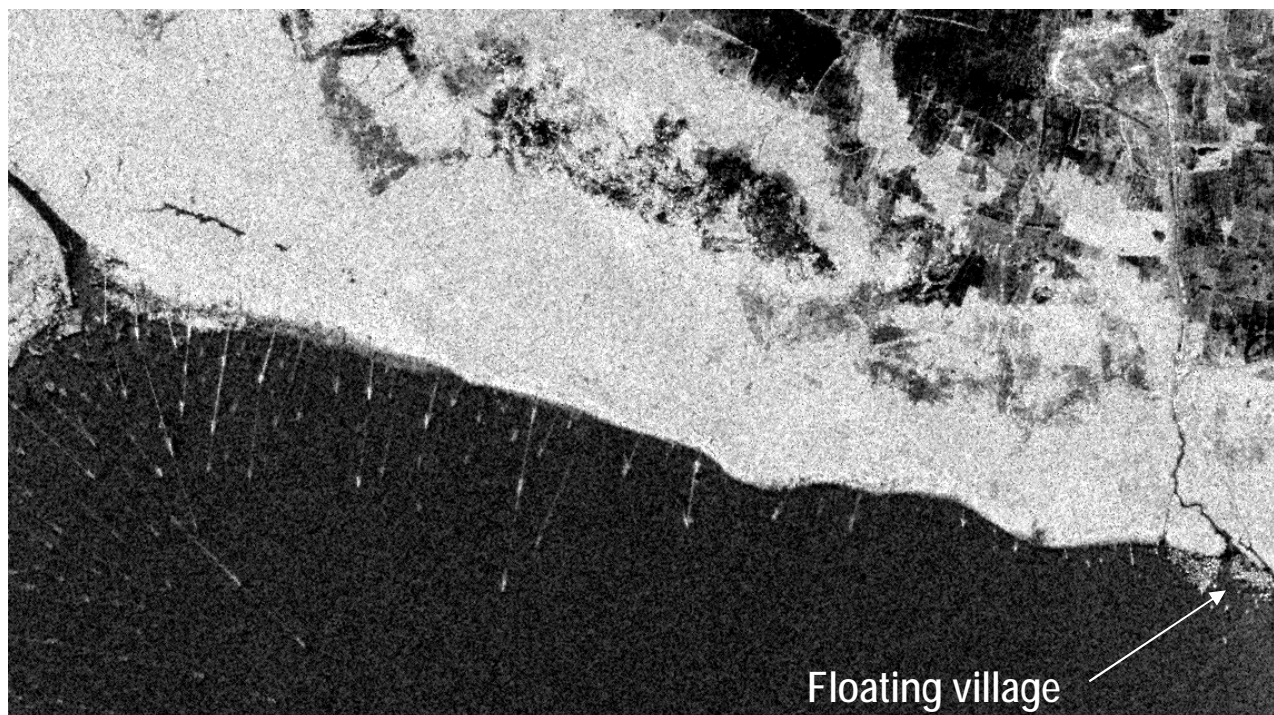


PALSAR FBS – 12 February 2007

PALSAR FBS – 28 December
2006



PALSARFBS – 12 February
2007





The IBA comprises Tram Chim National Park and adjacent areas of natural habitat, located in the Mekong Delta, 25 km to the north of Cao Lanh, the capital of Dong Thap province. The site supports one of the last remnants of the Plain of Reeds wetland ecosystem, which previously covered some 700,000 ha of the Mekong Delta in Vietnam¹. The topography of the site is a shallow basin, which slopes to the south-east, parallel to the Mekong River, to the north-east, perpendicular to the Mekong River, and to the south-west, perpendicular to the Vai Co river². The vegetation of the site includes large areas of seasonally inundated grassland, regenerating *Melaleuca* forest and open swamp. *Melaleuca* forest is distributed throughout the site, both as plantations and as scattered, natural patches in areas of grassland or open swamp. Large populations of waterbirds are found at the site, particularly in the dry season, when thousands of waterfowl visit¹.

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