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Project Objectives

Use penetration capabilities of L-band SAR to map subsurface geology in North Africa and Arabia, as a basis to new water prospecting plans.

Results

We built a PALSAR mosaic covering Sahara and Arabia in both HH and HV polarizations. This mosaic reveals previously unknown geological features (paleorivers, faults, craters) that will help to better understand the geology and past climate of these regions.

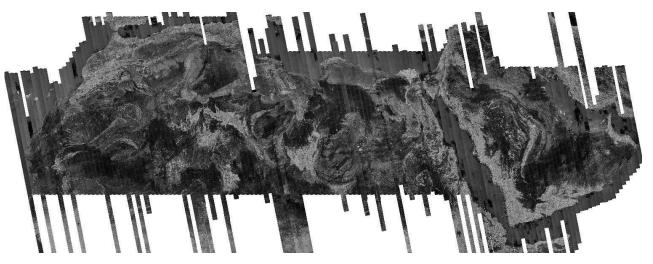
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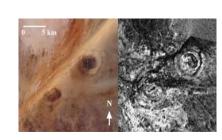
PALSAR HH mosaic of Sahara and Arabia



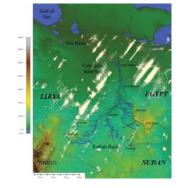
ALOS PALSAR data used

Cycles 12-13, acquired June-July 2007

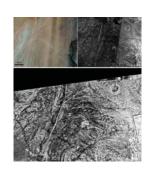
Other data sources
JERS-1 / Landsat TM /
SRTM



Double impact crater in southern Libya



Paleo-river in eastern Libya



Fault systems in northern Sudan

