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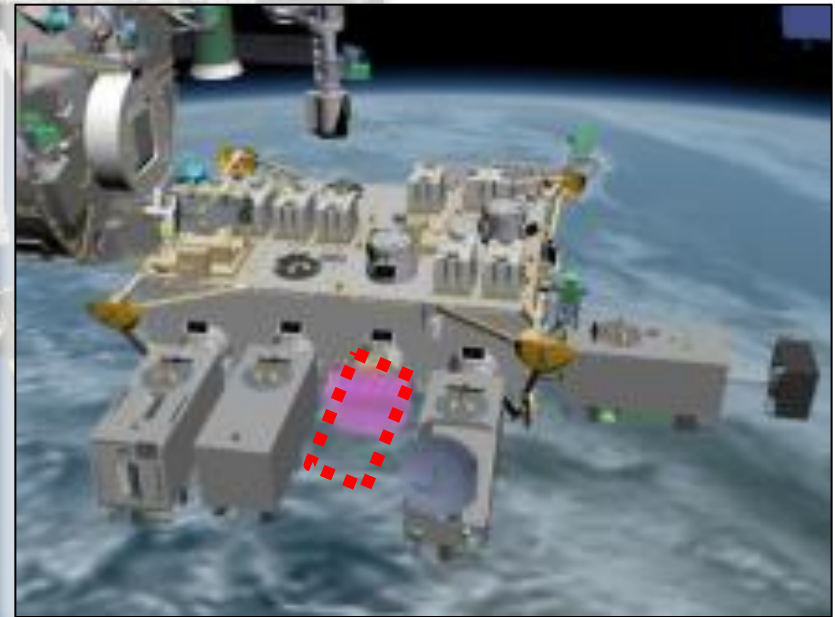
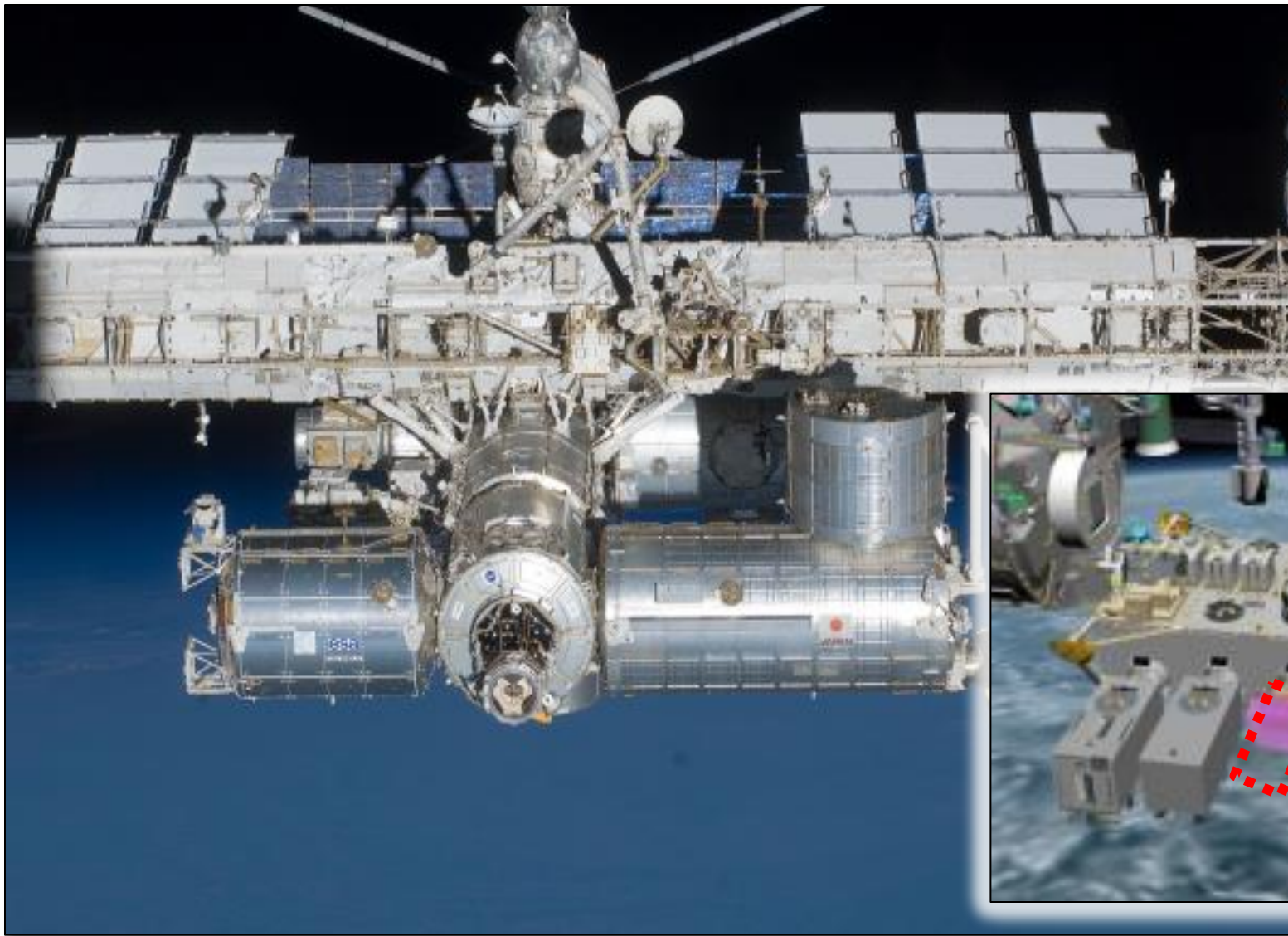
MOLI

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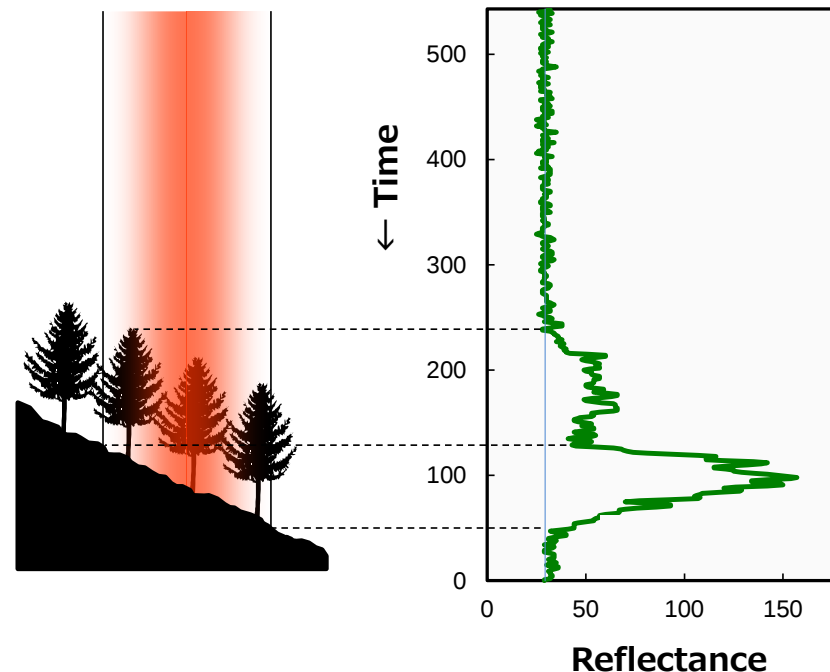
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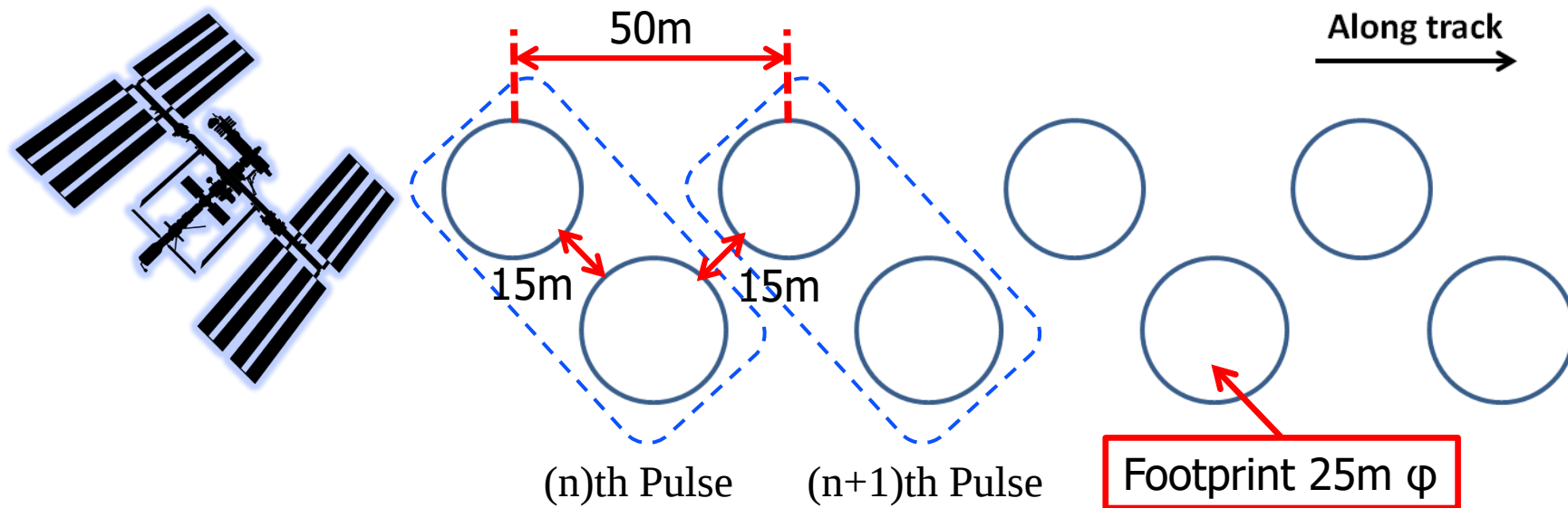


MOLI will be installed to ISS JEM in 2020.

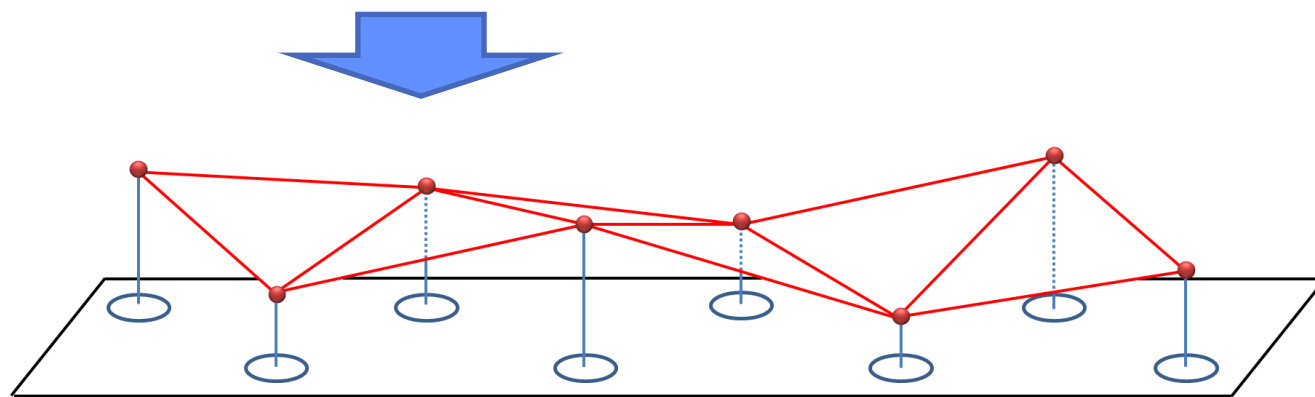
Multi-footprint
Observation
Lidar and
Imager



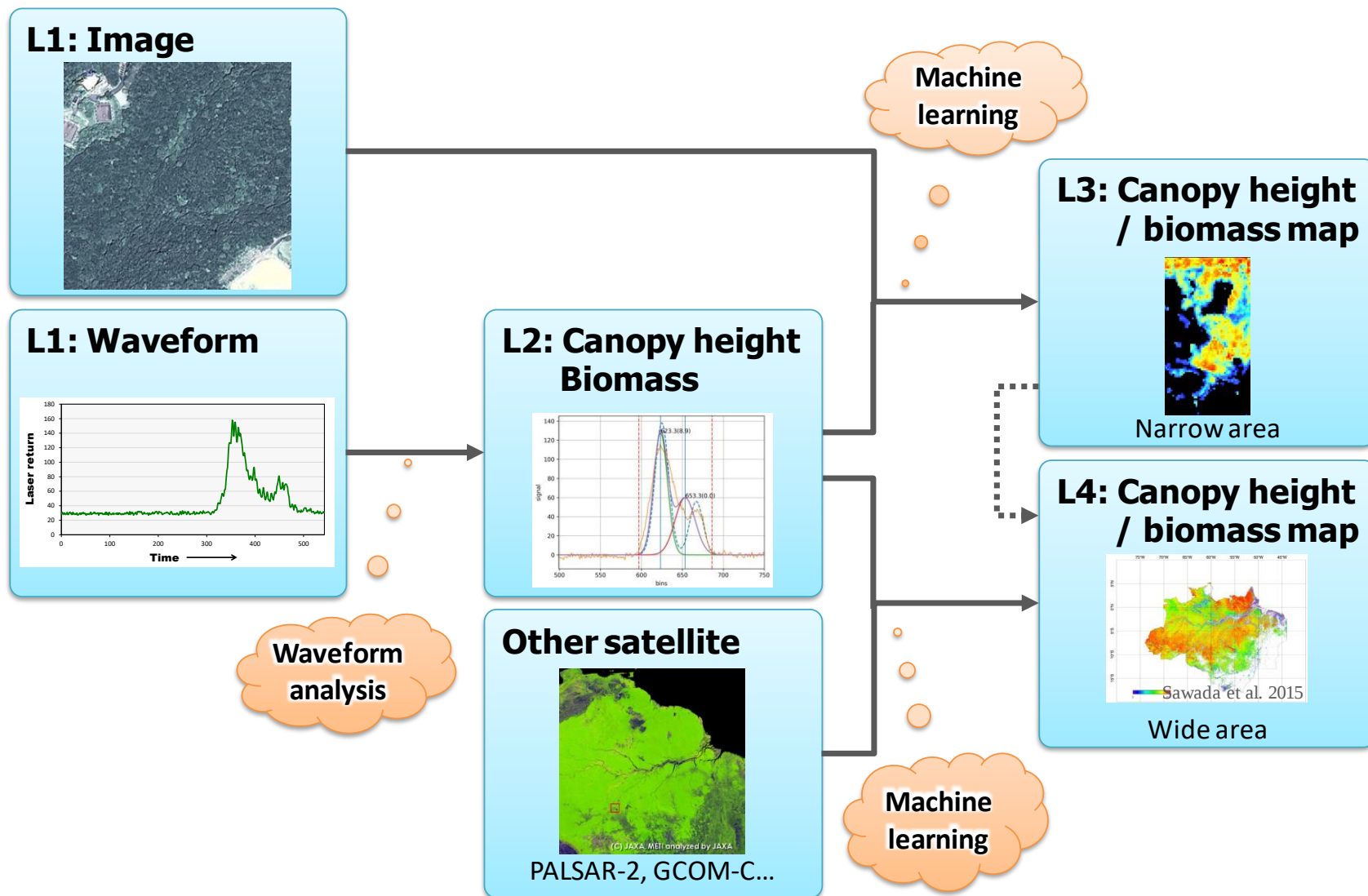
Sensor	➤ LiDAR : 2 beams, 25mϕ footprint. ➤ Imager : 5.0m resolution, 3 bands, 1km swath.
Objective	➤ To estimate forest biomass precisely and globally. ➤ To obtain spaceborne LiDAR technology for future missions.



Calculating
ground elevation
and slope.



Multi-footprint observation.



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One year

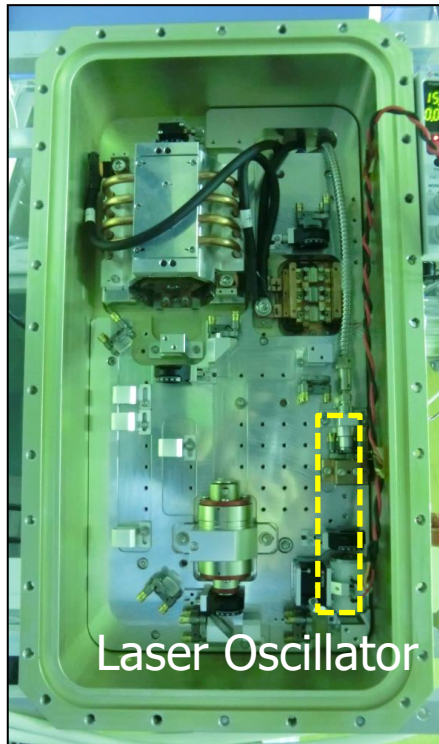
51.6°N

One year

51.6°S

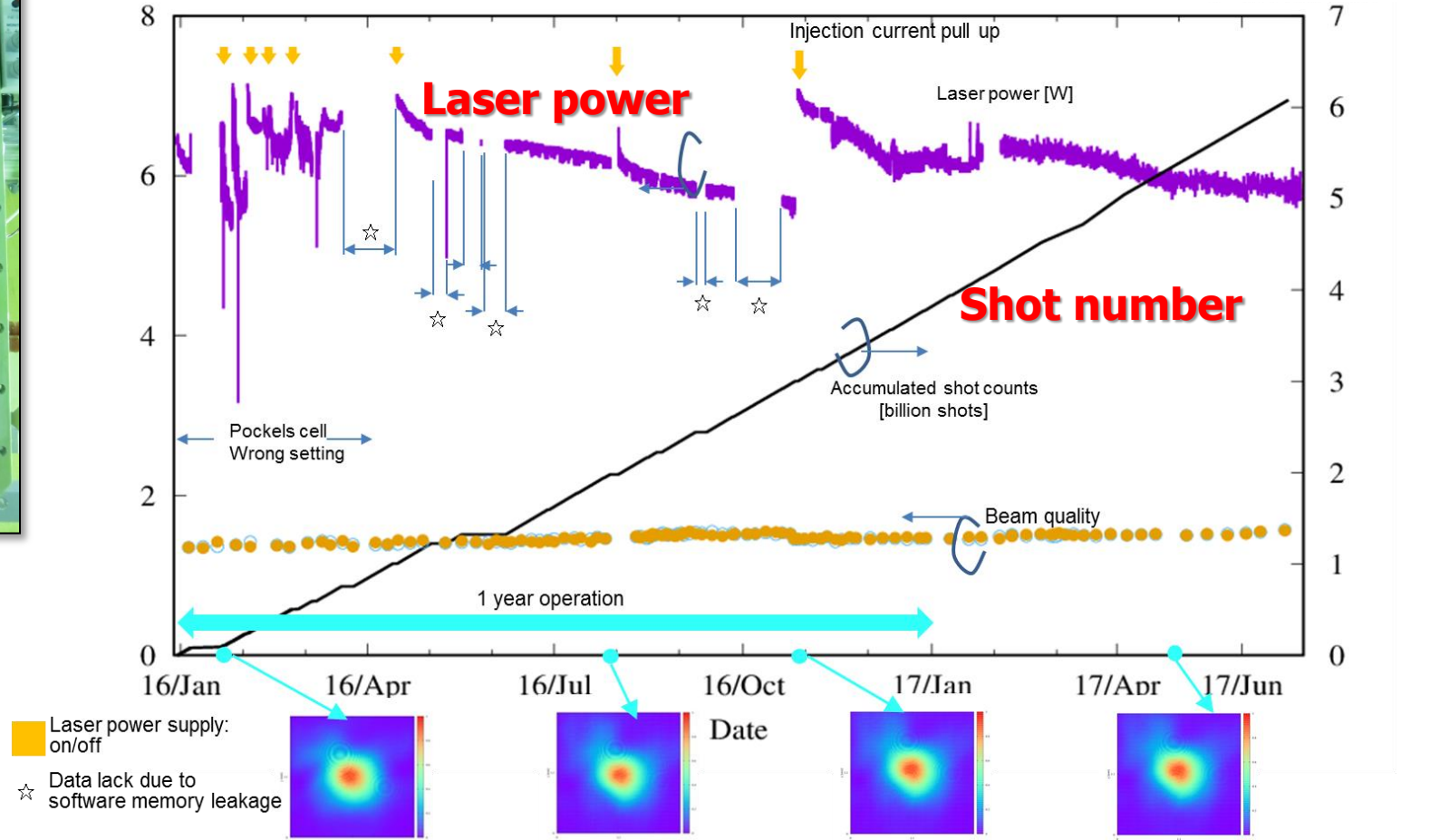
3.5 km distance in average

MOLI observation area (ISS orbit).



Laser power [W]
Beam quality [M^2]

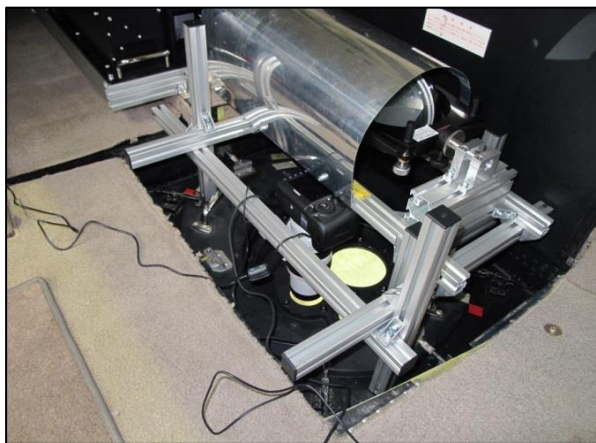
Shot number [$\times 10^8$]



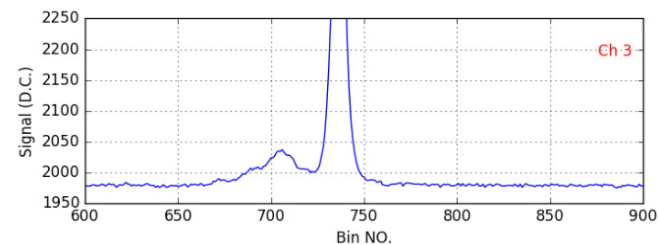
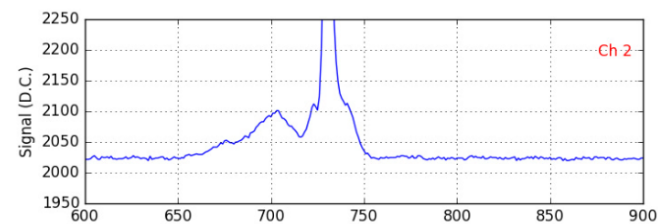
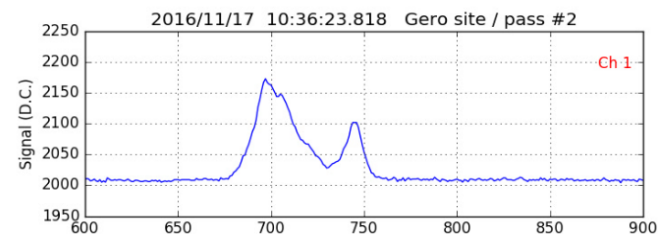
Experiment for long-lived laser.

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Canopy height estimation:
 $RMSE = 1.08 - 1.54 \text{ m}$



Airborne LiDAR experiment in 2016.

Summary

- ❑ **MOLI will be installed to ISS in 2020.**
- ❑ **It can provide precise values of canopy height and forest biomass, globally.**
- ❑ **We will also provide forest biomass map created by combining with the other satellite image (e.g., PALSAR-2, 4).**
- ❑ **We expect that MOLI will make significant contribution to carbon-cycle study and climate change measures.**