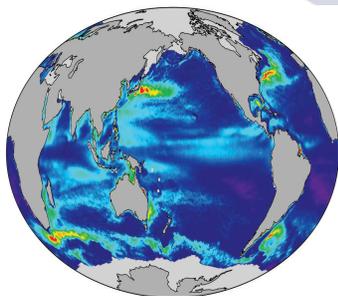


Ocean Surface Topography Science Team Meeting

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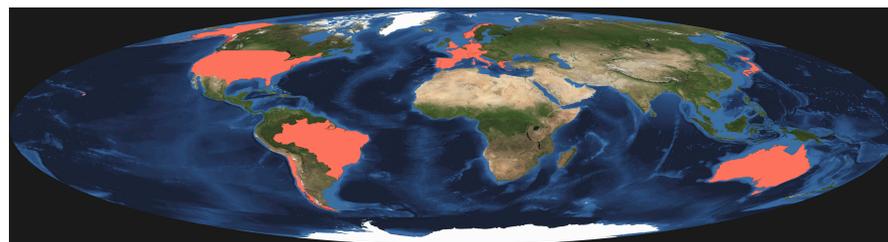




- Status of the Team/Selection Schedule
- Reporting Schedule
- What is on the Horizon
- Next Science Team Meeting
- NASA Program Scientist Duties



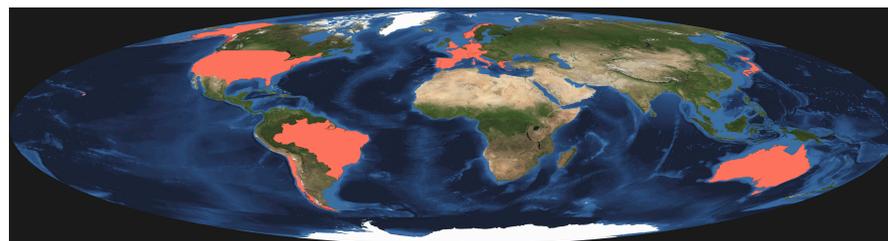
OSTST Selection Status



- 26 US PI Selected
Investigations Starting 1 October 2008 for 4 years
- Retained some flexibility to add some studies to support development of high-resolution altimetry. Opportunity solicited in ROSES09 – Physical Oceanography Program (Proposals due 6/30)
- Extension of old OSTST contracts through March 2009. Reports received and files closed.



OSTST Selection Status



- Annual Reports – due in June 2009, June 2010, June 2011, and final reports January 2013.
- Continuing need for high level summaries of your results (.ppt) for monthly reports at HQ.
- Next proposals due ~end March 2012 for funding October 1, 2012.
- Announcement would likely appear in ROSES 2011 (Issued February 2011, 13 months ahead of proposal deadline).



Key recommendations from OSTST

- Cal/Val and on-orbit performance of Jason-2
- Readiness of Jason-2 GDR



On the Horizon

- Jason-3
 - Draft 4-party MOU crafted. NASA continues support for science team.
 - Draft NOAA-NASA MOU for provision of instruments and launch.
- Surface Water and Ocean Topography (SWOT)
 - Initial Science Requirements Document completed
 - Technology and Design Studies continue (~\$2M/yr+)
 - MCR Spring 2010?
 - Budget wedge for Decadal Survey Tier-2 Missions TBD



Next Science Team Meeting

- Considering: Site in the Mediterranean?
- Venue: A lovely place
- Dates: October/November 2010



Developments at NASA Headquarters

- Regular duties as Physical Oceanography Program Scientist and Mission Program Scientist for Jason-1, Jason-2, QuikSCAT, Aquarius/SAC-D, DFS on GCOM-W2, Jason-3, and SWOT.
- Climate Focus Area Lead
- Chair of the international Ocean Observations Panel for Climate



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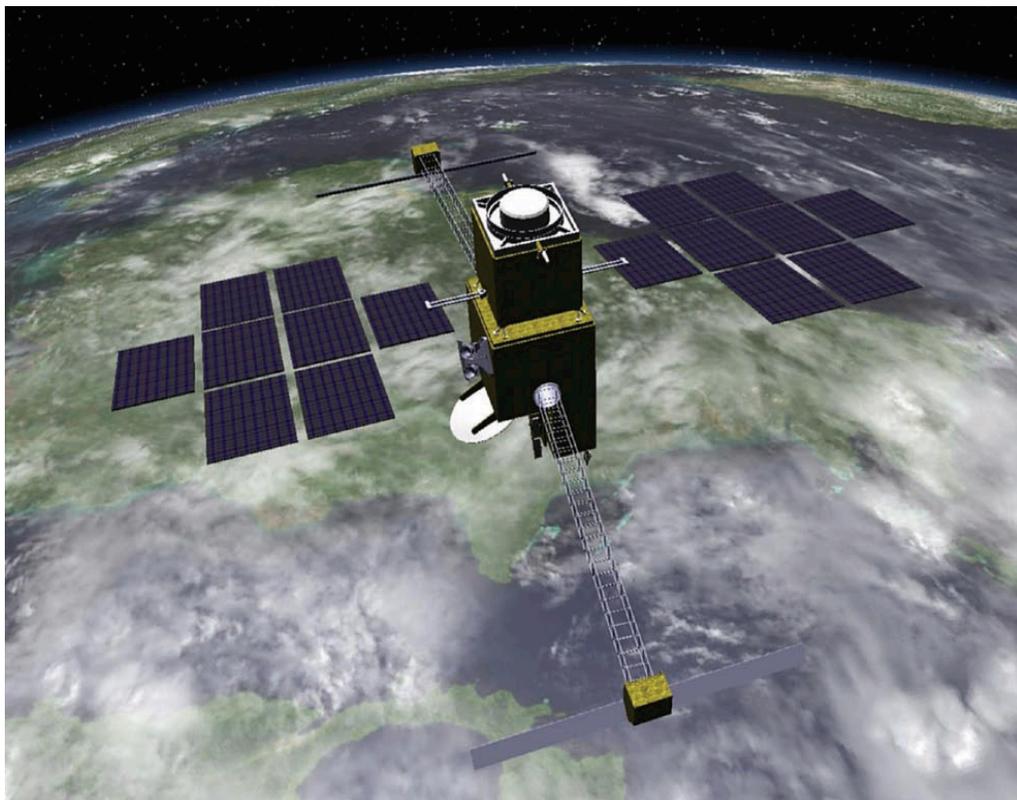
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• Surface Water and Ocean Topography



The SWOT spacecraft, shown here in an artist's conception, will make accurate measurements of mesoscale ocean features and surface water parameters.

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2016 Era

Joining the Physical Oceanography
And Surface Water Hydrology
Communities



Global Mean Sea Level Rise

Average Rate = 3.5 mm per year

