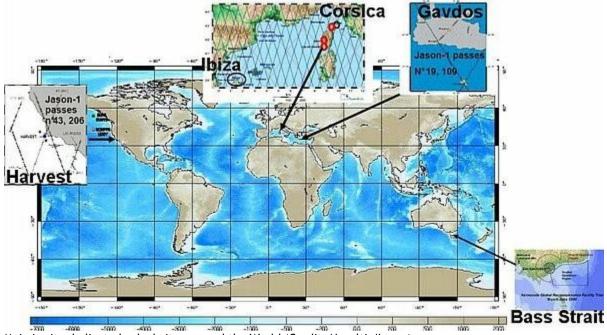
Absolute calibration

The principal objective is to use observations from tide gauges and other sensors directly on (or near) satellite ground tracks to calibrate the sea-surface height and ancillary measurements made by the satellite as it passes (nearly) overhead.

In situ dedicated sites and campaigns

Several dedicated sites are disseminated around the world. Moreover, some oceanographic campaigns have an altimetry validation goals.



Main in situ dedicated calval sites around the World (Credits Noveltis/Legos)

Dedicated sites:

Bass Strait (Australia): see <u>IMOS web page</u> Corsica (France): see on <u>AVISO</u>, Crete (Greece): see <u>SeRAC web page</u> Harvest (USA): see <u>B. Haines et al. paper</u> Ibiza and L'Estartit (Spain): see <u>J.J Benjamin-Martinez et al. paper</u>