

LAW Data Policy



Started in January 2020 for a 2-year period, the "Copernicus Space Component Validation for Land Surface Temperature, Aerosol Optical Depth and Water Vapor Sentinel-3 Products" (referenced in the following by "LAW") is a project managed by ESA/ESRIN. The LAW consortium is composed of ACRI-ST, also acting as the prime contractor, the Finnish Meteorological Institute (FMI), the SWANSEA University, the University of Leicester, the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) and Spectral Earth

One of the main objectives of LAW project is to provide the users with all matchups between groundbased measurements and S3 operational data, used for validation of S3 AOD, IWV and LST datasets through a website interface developed in the frame of the project.

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We thank [list of PIs*] and the [list of networks*] networks for the measurements collected in the field and used to generate LAW products.

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<u>TCCON network</u>: https://tccon-wiki.caltech.edu/Network Policy/Data Use Policy

IGRA network :

https://data.nodc.noaa.gov/cgi-bin/iso?id=gov.noaa.ncdc:C00975

GRUAN network:

https://www.gruan.org/data/data-policy/

SUOMINET network:

"Suominet data are freely available in various formats to help facilitate access to both raw and derived data products. If you use these data for scientific research, we would appreciate an acknowledgment of both UCAR and Suominet. A suitable reference is: Ware, R.H. D. W. Fulker, S. A. Stein, D. N. Anderson, S. K. Avery, R. D. Clark, K. Droegemeier, J. P. Kuettner, and J. B. Minster, 2000: Suominet: A real-time national GPS network for atmospheric research and education. Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society 81, 677-694. »

<u>AERONET network</u>:

https://aeronet.gsfc.nasa.gov/new_web/data_usage.html

<u>SKYNETnetwork</u>:

https://www.skynet-isdc.org/data_policy.php

SURFRAD network:

"The maintenance of the SURFRAD radiation budget network at a high level of quality is the result of the collective efforts of many people in many organizations. NOAA's Air Resources Laboratory, Office of Global Programs, and, more recently, NOAA's Climate Observations and Services Program have provided primary funding for the network. NASA has supplemented SURFRAD with special funding for



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EOS validation. The accuracies and precision of SURFRAD measurements would not be possible without the generous contributions of DOE's National Renewable Energy Laboratory who have impeccably calibrated all of SURFRAD's shortwave instruments to world standards. Likewise, NOAA's Central UV Calibration Facility provides the basis for world-class calibrations of the UVB instruments used in the network. The Atmospheric Turbulence and Diffusion Division of NOAA's Air Resources Laboratory provides professional care to the network's wind monitors. Penn State, the USDA, the USGS, the Fort Peck Tribes, ARL's Special Operations and Research Division, and the Illinois State Water Survey provide telephone service, utilities, general maintenance, and expert troubleshooting at the stations they host. All of the aforementioned services are provided at little or no cost to the program in the spirit of good science and high-quality measurements. NOAA's SURFRAD program also enjoys the close collaboration of Chuck Long of DOE's Atmospheric Radiation Measurements Program, John DeLuisi, and Ellsworth Dutton, whose work has generally improved the quality and usefulness of surface radiation measurements."

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