Summary

This is a Product Notice for Sentinel-3 Ocean and Land Colour Instrument (OLCI) Level-1B products at Near Real Time (NRT) and Non Time Critical (NTC) timeliness. It corresponds to the abovementioned products generated by the processing baseline deployed for the Marine and Land Level 1 public release.

The Notice describes the OLCI current processing baseline, product and quality limitations, and product availability status.
### Processing Baseline

- **IPF Processing Baseline:** 2.16

### IPFs version

- OL_1 IPF version: 06.07
- PUG version: 03.29

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Status of the Processing Baseline

The current processing baseline for Sentinel-3A OLCI Level-1B products is v2.16. The baseline was deployed in the processing centres on 05/07/2017 at the Land Centres and at the Marine Centre. The status of the baseline is as follows:

The major changes from the last processing baseline 2.11 are the following:

- OLCI radiometric calibration is now based on a self-standing Radiometric Model including a long-term instrument sensitivity evolution term.

The quality status of this baseline products is as follows:

### Geometric Calibration

- OLCI geolocation accuracy meets the mission requirements (0.5 pixel according to [S3 MRTD, 2011](#)).

### Spectral Calibration

- OLCI spectral model accuracy meets the mission requirements ([S3 MRTD, 2011](#)). The model uses in-flight data from spectral calibrations. The calibrations bring small changes to the central wavelengths compared to OLCI pre-launch characterizations and a more significant change to channel Oa1 (400 nm) with an up to 0.4nm difference. Consistently with the solar spectrum variability, the most significant change is in in-band irradiance of channel Oa1 (up to around 1.5%) with the same impact on radiometry. OLCI spectral response information and datasets are provided in a separate note ([S3 OLCI-A SRF, 2016](#)).

### Radiometric Calibration

- Radiometric validation results demonstrate that OLCI absolute radiometric calibration is comparable with its heritage instrument, MERIS, and that OLCI has a positive bias of about 2 to 3 percent, OLCI being too bright. Actions are in place to achieve OLCI radiometric compliancy (2% absolute accuracy < 900 nm, [S3 MRTD](#)).
- The OLCI Radiometric Model is based on the entire set of in-flight radiometric calibrations. It includes radiometric gain coefficient at a reference date and a long-term evolution model. The set of radiometric gain coefficients used to derive both the Reference Gains and the Evolution Model have been computed using up-to-date geometric and spectral calibration and instrument settings and most of all an upgraded diffuser BRDF model based on in-flight data. The Radiometric Model is continuously monitored against new Radiometric Calibration acquisitions.
### Known product quality limitations

#### Radiometric Calibration
- Vertical striping at the first 100 pixels at camera interfaces can be observed in bands O19 and O20. The effect is known as periodic noise. Correction is investigated.
- The introduction of a modified correction of the dark level to minimize its average background level induced by the abovementioned Periodic Noise, despite providing globally more accurate radiances at low signal levels, seems to cause vertical striping that can be visible in some Level 2 product, mostly above dark water targets.
- Single anomalous pixels, in particular in the region of the South Atlantic Anomaly, may occur due to prompt particle events.

#### Straylight
- Verification of the OLCI straylight correction is ongoing.

#### Flags
- Accuracy of OLCI L1B product flags is under assessment. No issue has been identified so far.

#### Per-pixel error estimates
- Error estimates for OLCI radiances for all bands are not yet available in the products.
Products Availability

☒ Copernicus Open Access Hub (https://scihub.copernicus.eu/), NRT and NTC
☒ Copernicus Online Data Access (https://coda.eumetsat.int/), NRT and NTC
☒ EUMETCast (https://eoportal.eumetsat.int/), NRT
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* ODA is available only for Copernicus Services and S3VT users
** CODA is the pilot service Copernicus Online Data Access and is available to all users

Any other useful information

• None

User Support

• Questions about OLCI products can be ask to the Sentinel-3 User Support desk at:
  o eosupport@copernicus.esa.int
  o ops@eumetsat.int
References


Static ADFs

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