

# PROMICE

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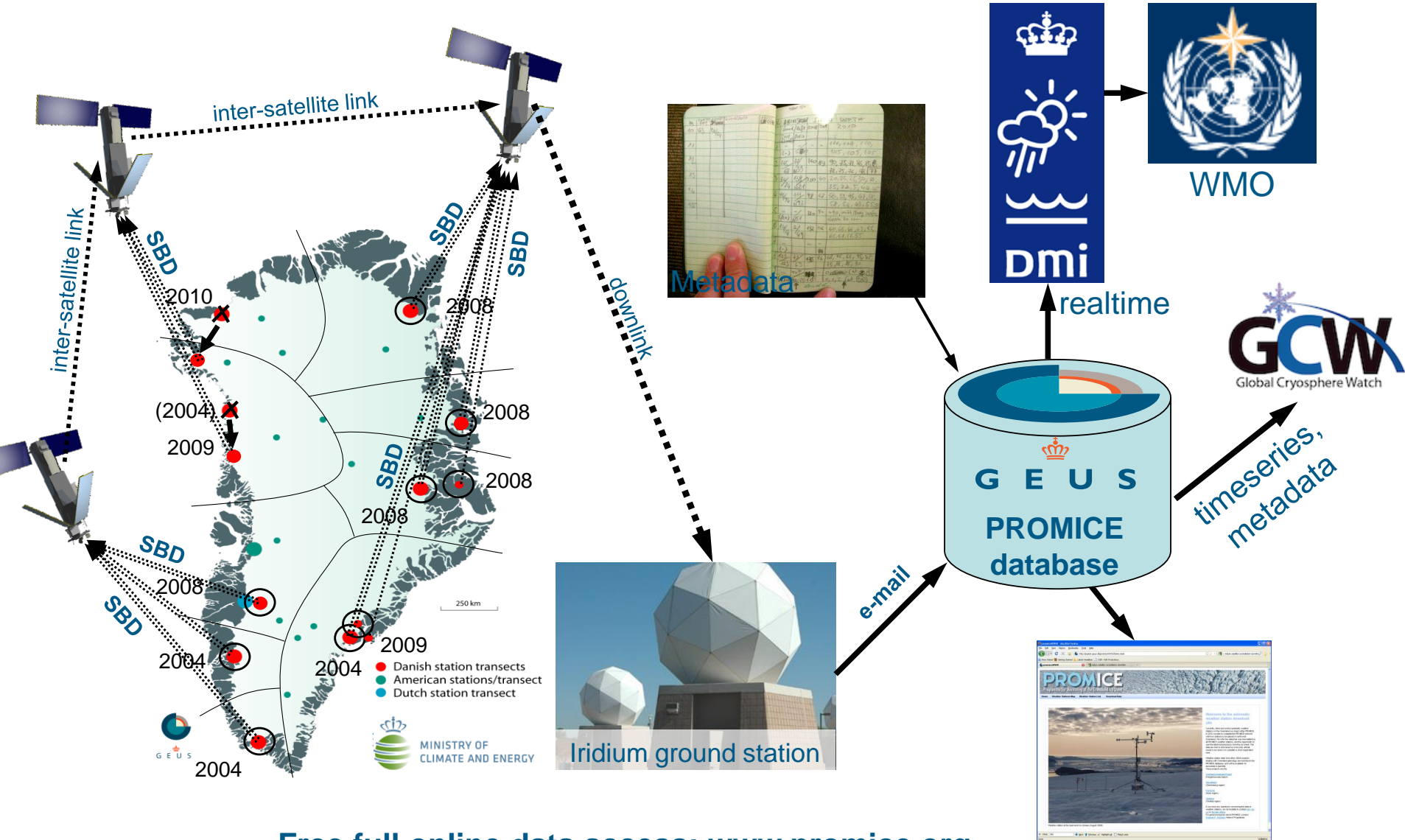
# PROMICE goals

- **Provide a consistent long-term data set of observations from the Greenland ice sheet**
- **Calculate mass loss**
- **Understand the mass loss**

Established: *2007 – 2010*

Operational: *2011 – onwards*

# PROMICE as a component of GCW CryoNet



Free full online data access: [www.promice.org](http://www.promice.org)

# Observationally based melt product

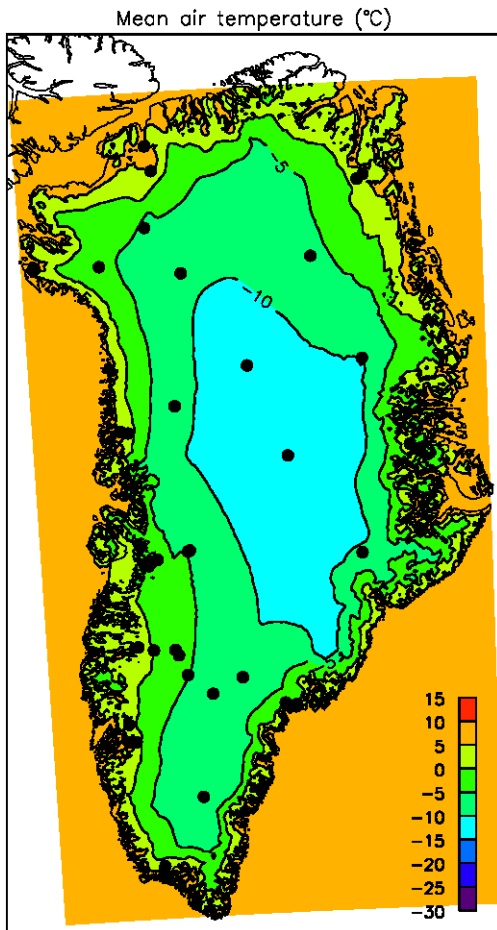


Figure 1: Average near-surface air temperature for days 178-182 in 2011.

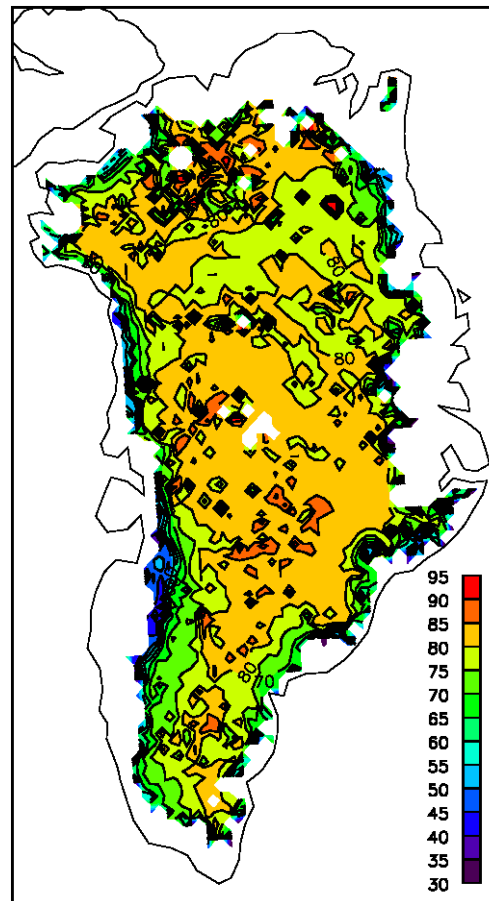


Figure 2. MODIS albedo

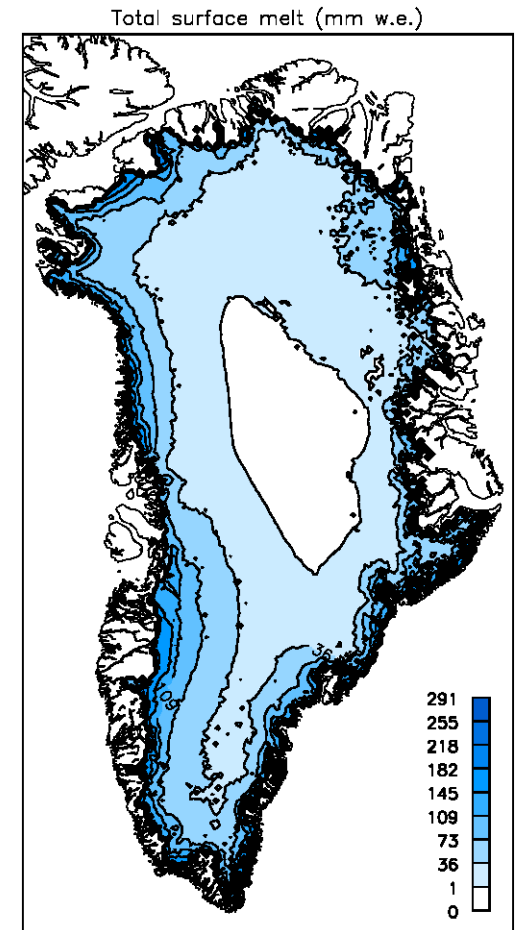
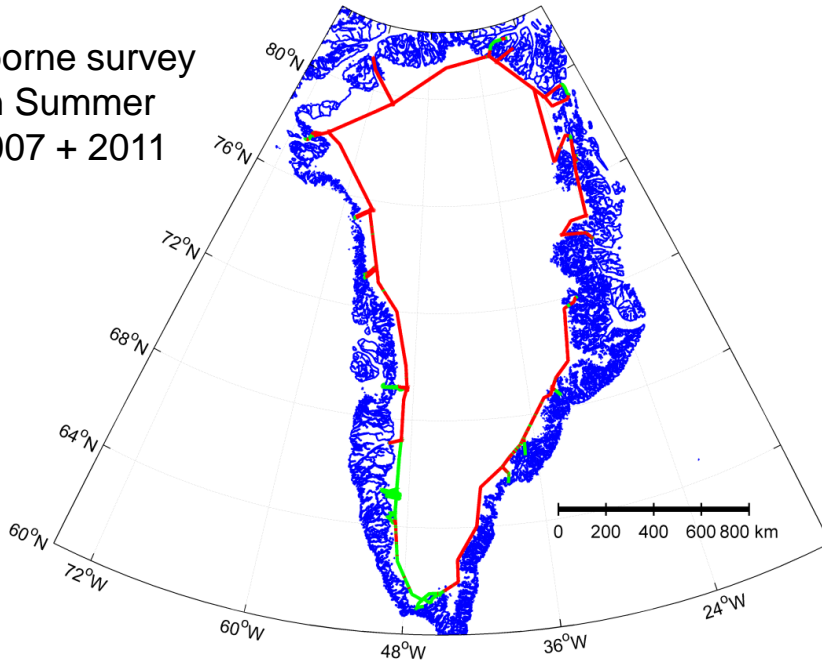


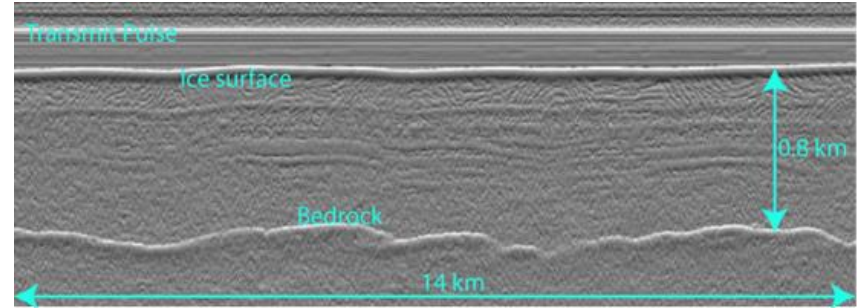
Figure 3. Surface meltwater locally generated on the Greenland ice sheet for days 178-182 in 2011.

# Airborne surveys of bedrock

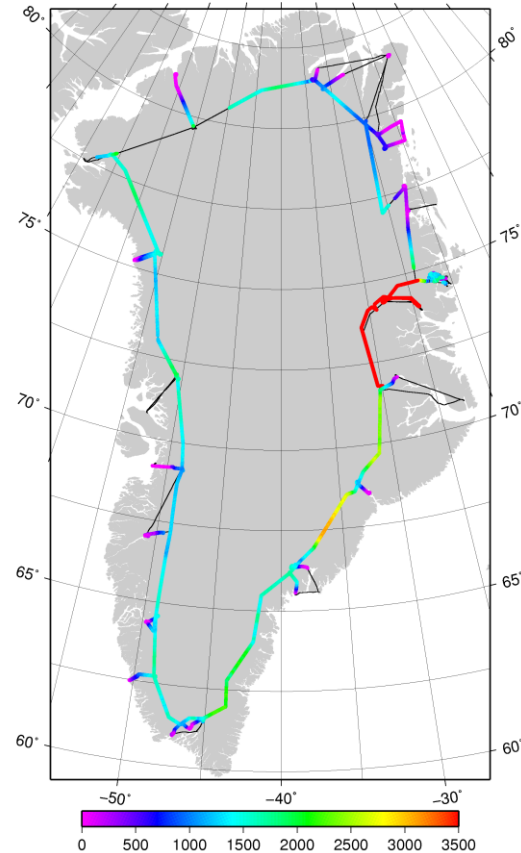
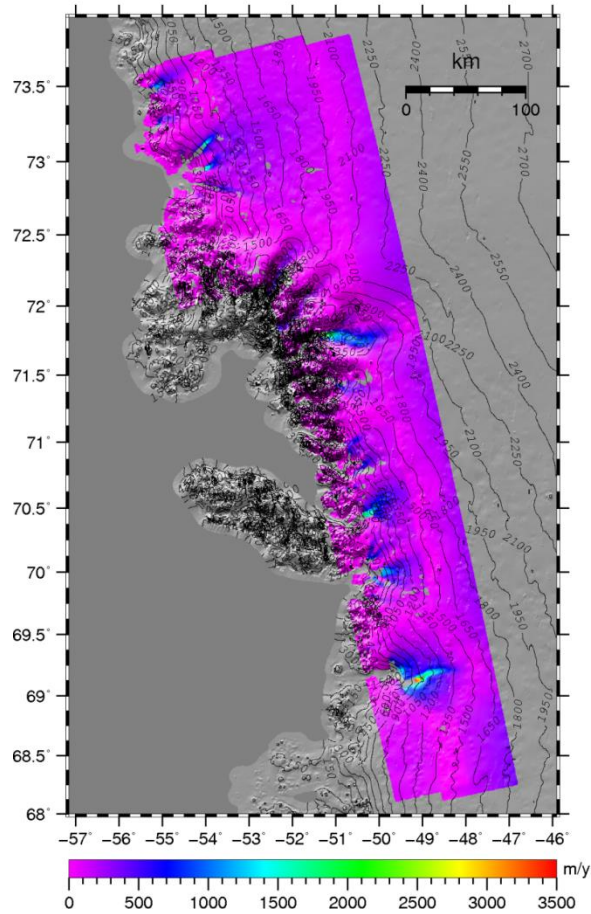
Airborne survey  
in Summer  
2007 + 2011



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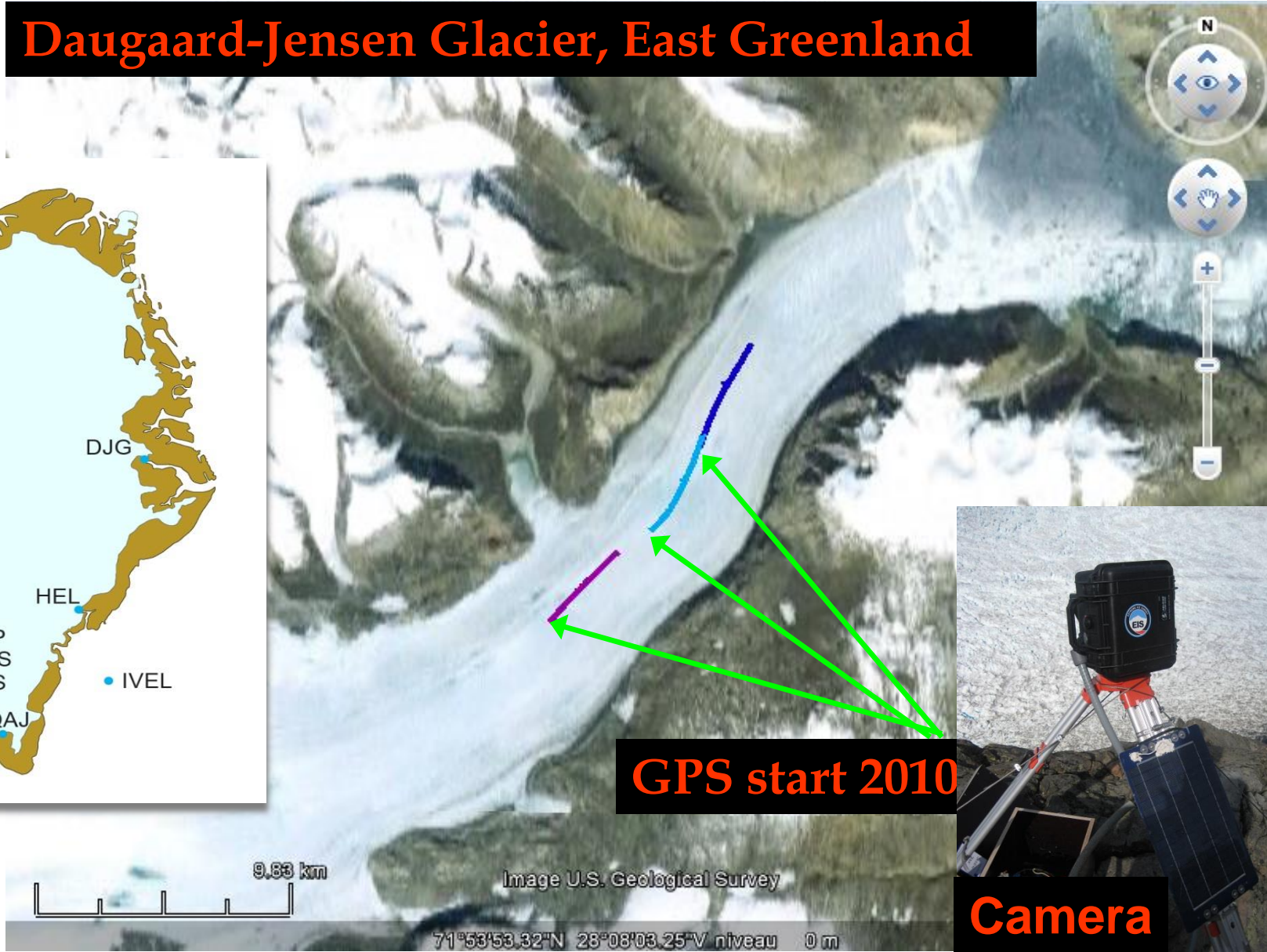


# Dynamic mass loss



# GPS-tracking of outlet glaciers

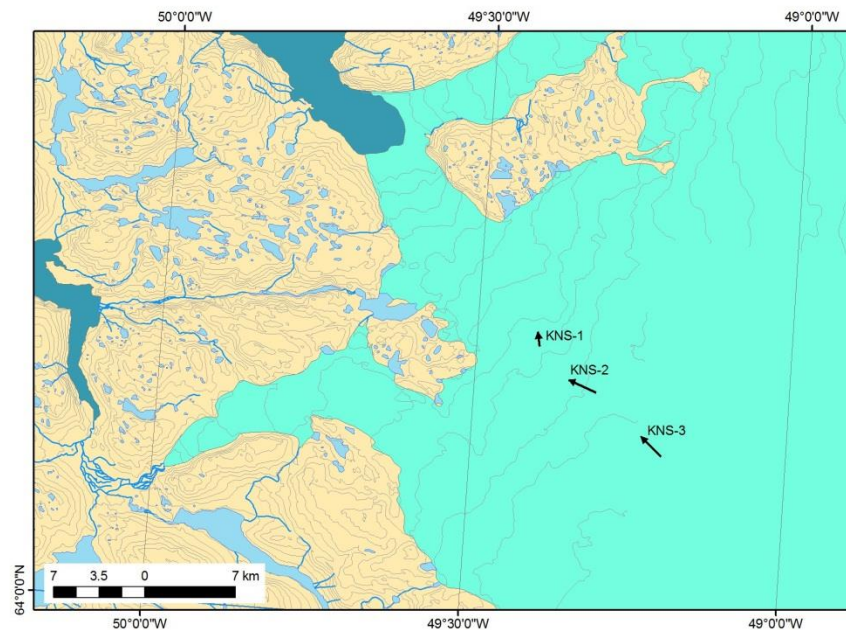
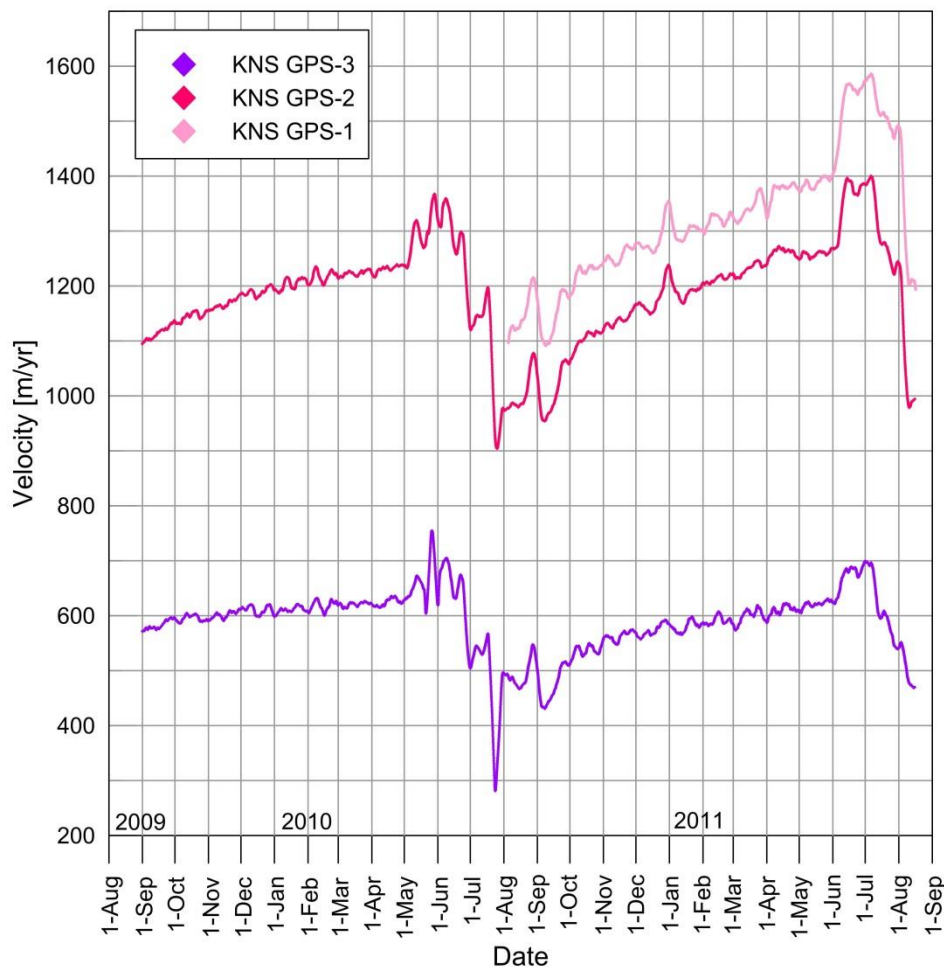
## Daugaard-Jensen Glacier, East Greenland



GPS start 2010

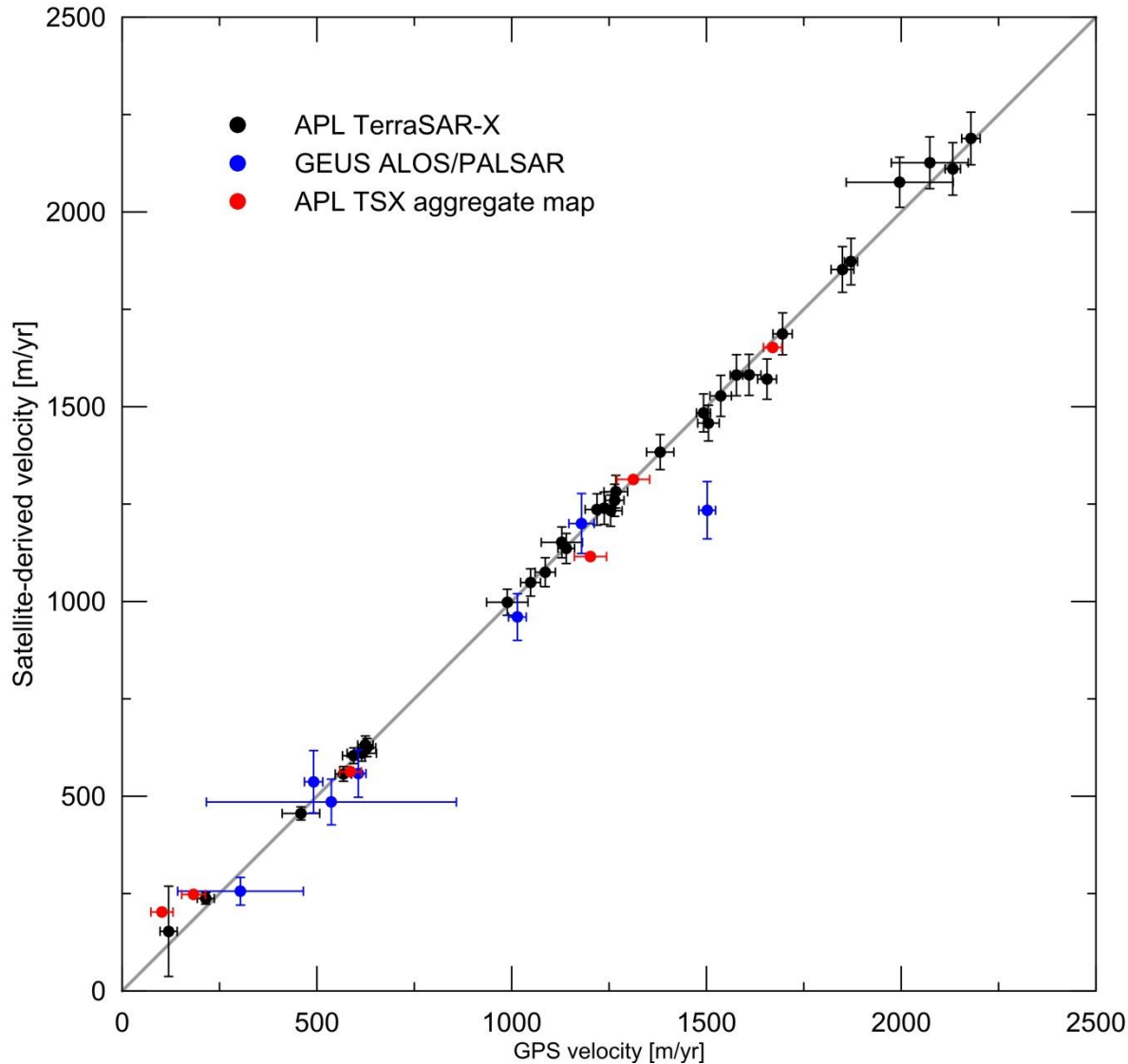
Camera

# GPS-tracking of outlet glacier velocity

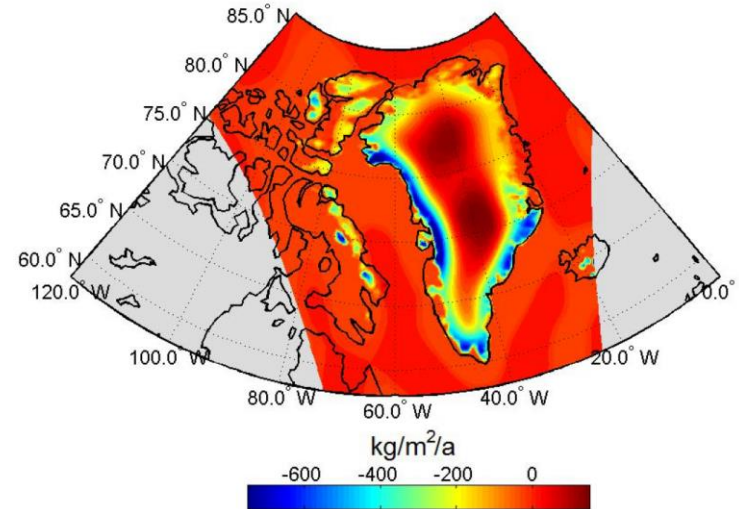
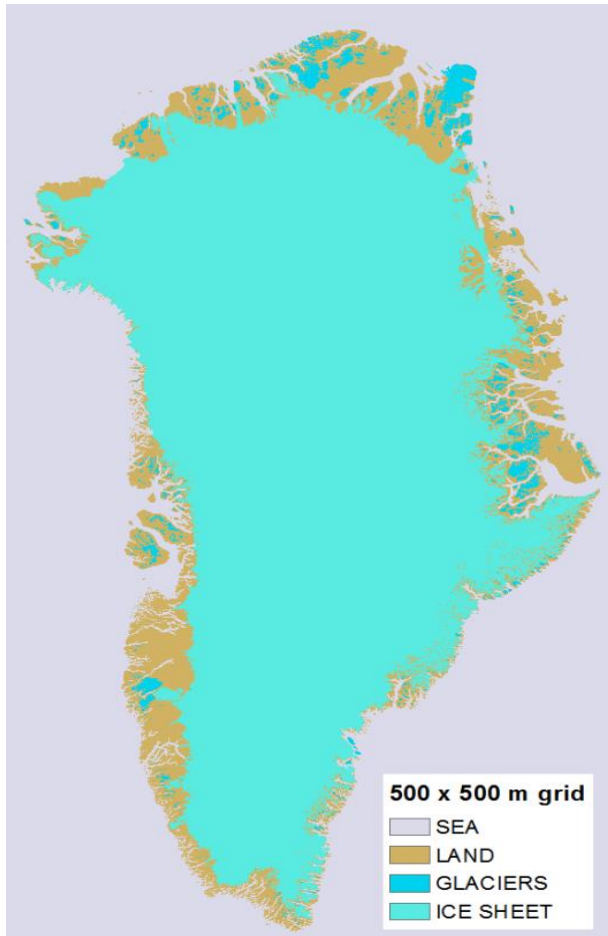


**Kangiata  
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Sermia (KNS)**

# Satellite ice velocities validated with GPS



# PROMICE Mapping of the ice margin and local glaciers

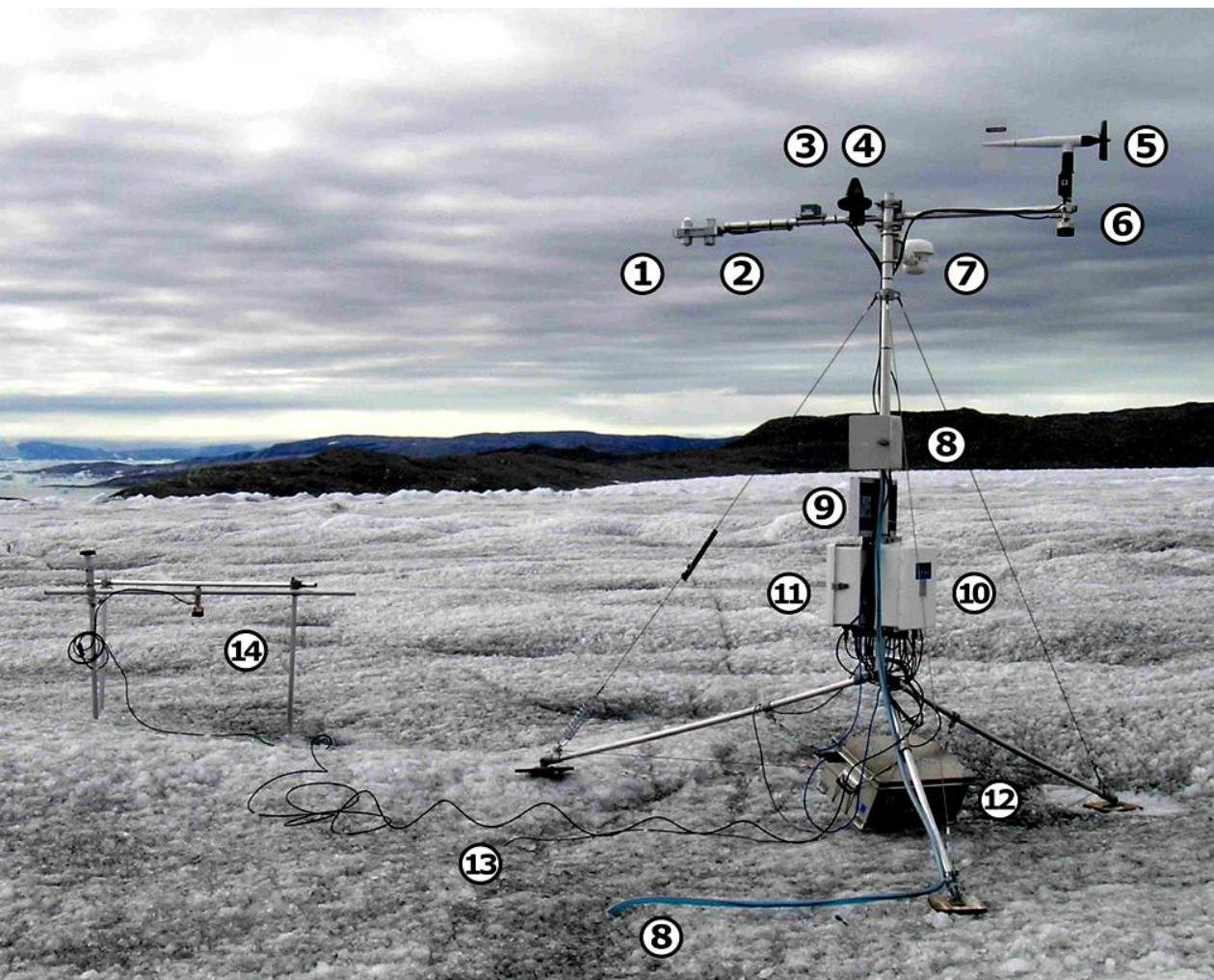


Inverted rate of mass change constrained to the irregularly shaped ice-covered areas in Greenland (from the PROMICE glaciers map) and the Canadian High Arctic (from the Randolph Glacier Inventory). Color scale saturates at  $-750$  and  $+150 \text{ kg m}^{-2} \text{ a}^{-1}$ . Grey shading denotes areas beyond the inversion domain. (Colgan et al., Cryosphere, 2013)

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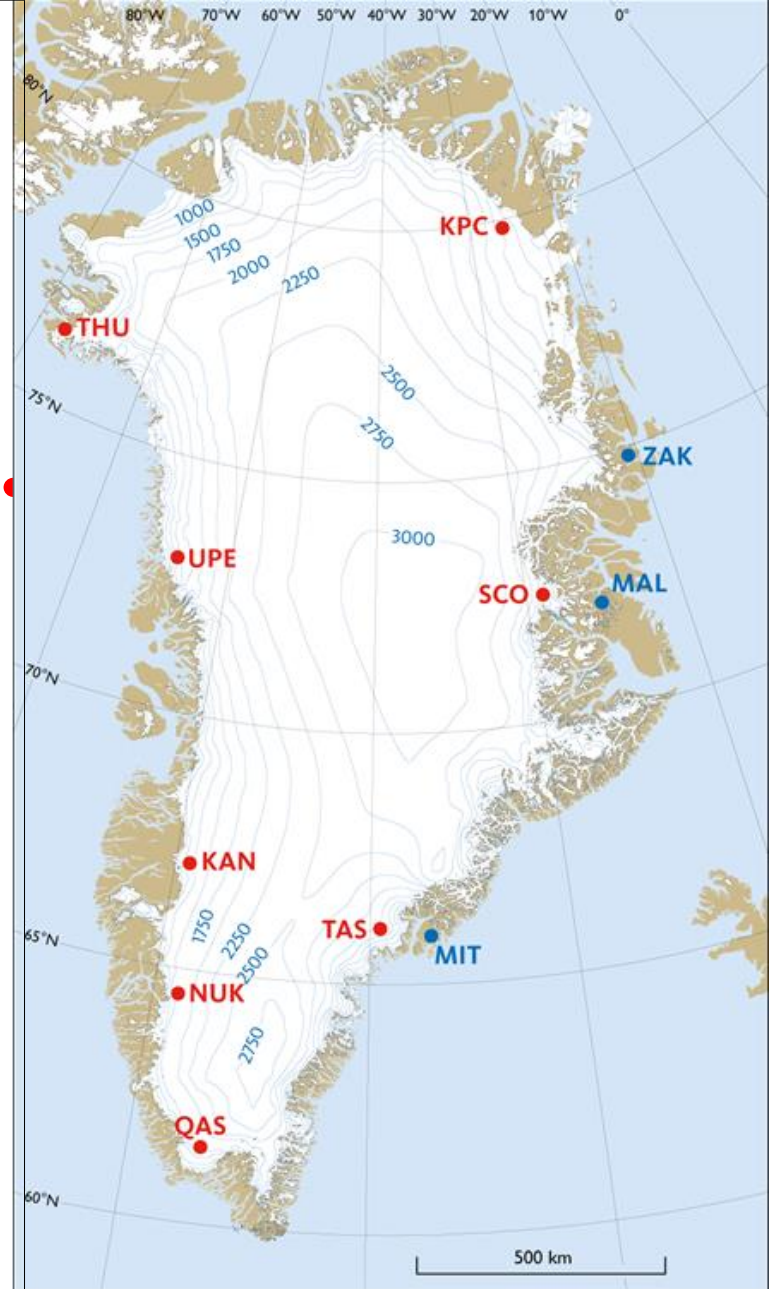


- ① Shortwave radiation (in/out)
- ② Longwave radiation (in/out)
- ③ Station tilt
- ④ Satellite transmitter
- ⑤ Wind speed & direction
- ⑥ Snow height (sonar)
- ⑦ Air temp. & relative humidity
- ⑧ Ablation (pressure sensor)
- ⑨ Solar panel
- ⑩ Data logger enclosure
- ⑪ GPS & multiplexer enclosure
- ⑫ Battery box
- ⑬ Ice temp. 0-10 m (thermistors)
- ⑭ Ablation (sonar & stakes)

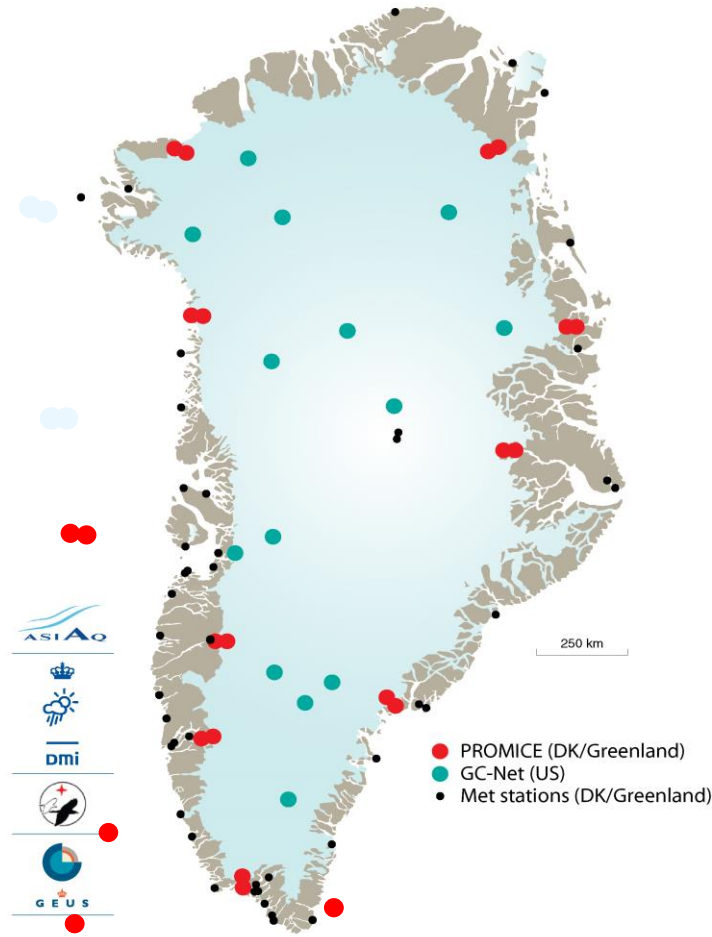
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