

COMPARISONS BETWEEN GROUND-BASED AND SATELLITE RETRIEVALS IN THE UV RANGE.

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UV Spectroradiometers

Spectral irradiance measurements on a horizontal surface

Double monochromators JOBIN-YVON HD10

Resolution : ~ 0.75 nm – thermally regulated

λ range = 280-450 nm, **step** = 0.5nm

Scan duration: ~ 6 min – every 15 min
Alternately : **global** (diffuse + direct) and **diffuse**

Uncertainties : ~ 5% (400 nm) – ~8% (300 nm)

Sites : Villeneuve d'Ascq (50.61°N, 3.14°E) : located near an industrial city in the north of France.

Briançon (44.90°N, 6.65°E) : high altitude site - French Alps

OMI (Ozone Monitoring Instrument)

Launch : July 2004

Onboard the NASA EOS AURA spacecraft

Dedicated to the monitoring of the air quality and the components that influence the climate

Spectrometer that makes measurements in UV-visible

range : 270 - 500 nm

spatial resolution : 13 km * 24 km at nadir

Provides among other things :

- ✓ total column of ozone,
- ✓ UV surface irradiances at 305, 310, 324 and 380nm,
- ✓ aerosol optical depths at 354, 388 and 500nm.

Comparison of the total column of ozone

Spectroradiometer :

- Differential absorption technique : (comparison between 2 ratios of irradiances at 2 wavelengths, one ratio simulated and stored in a LUT, the other calculated from UV measurements.
- All skies (clear sky and cloudy) .
- Daily averages for zenith angles smaller than 75°

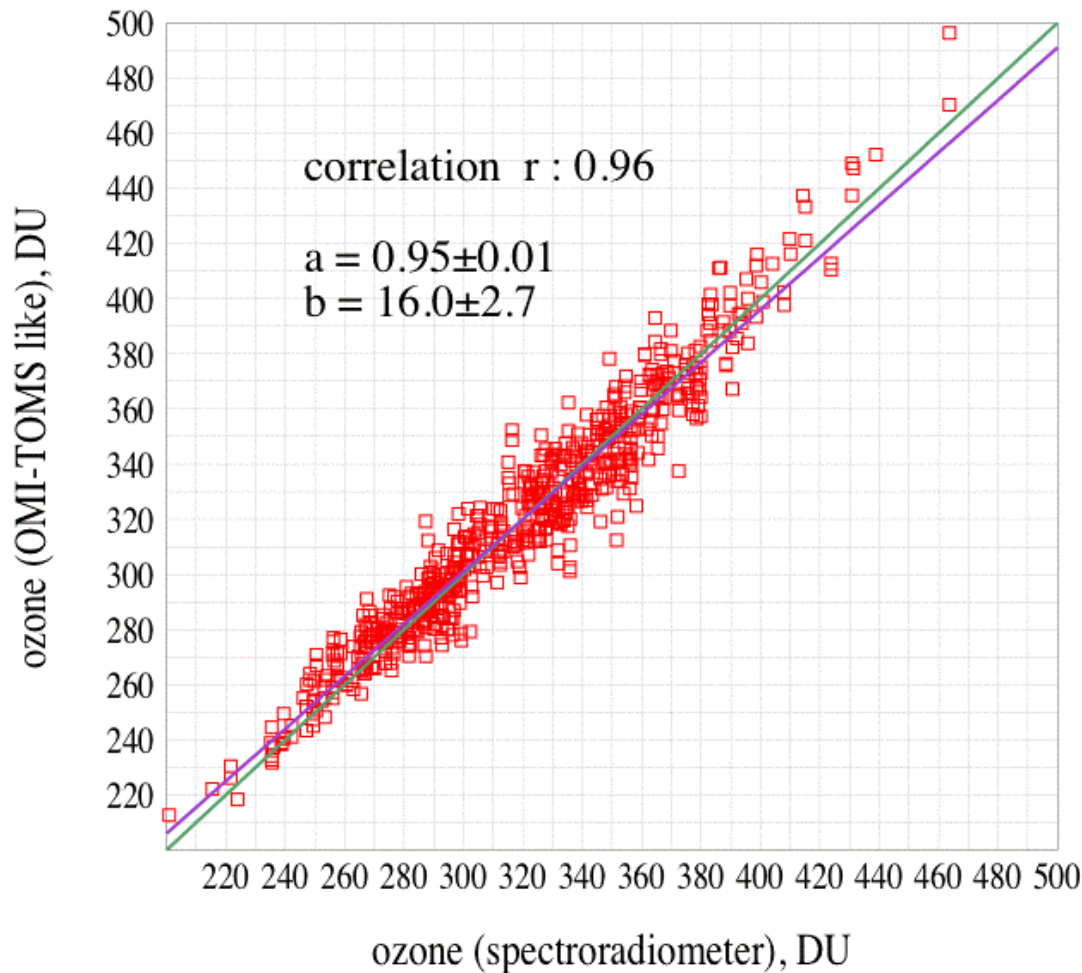
Uncertainties ~7%

OMI :

- Methods : - TOMS-like
- DOAS-like
- Measurements : 1 or 2 overpasses .

Comparison of ozone at Villeneuve d'Ascq

OMI TOMS - like method



□ □ □ 656 points

— $y = x$

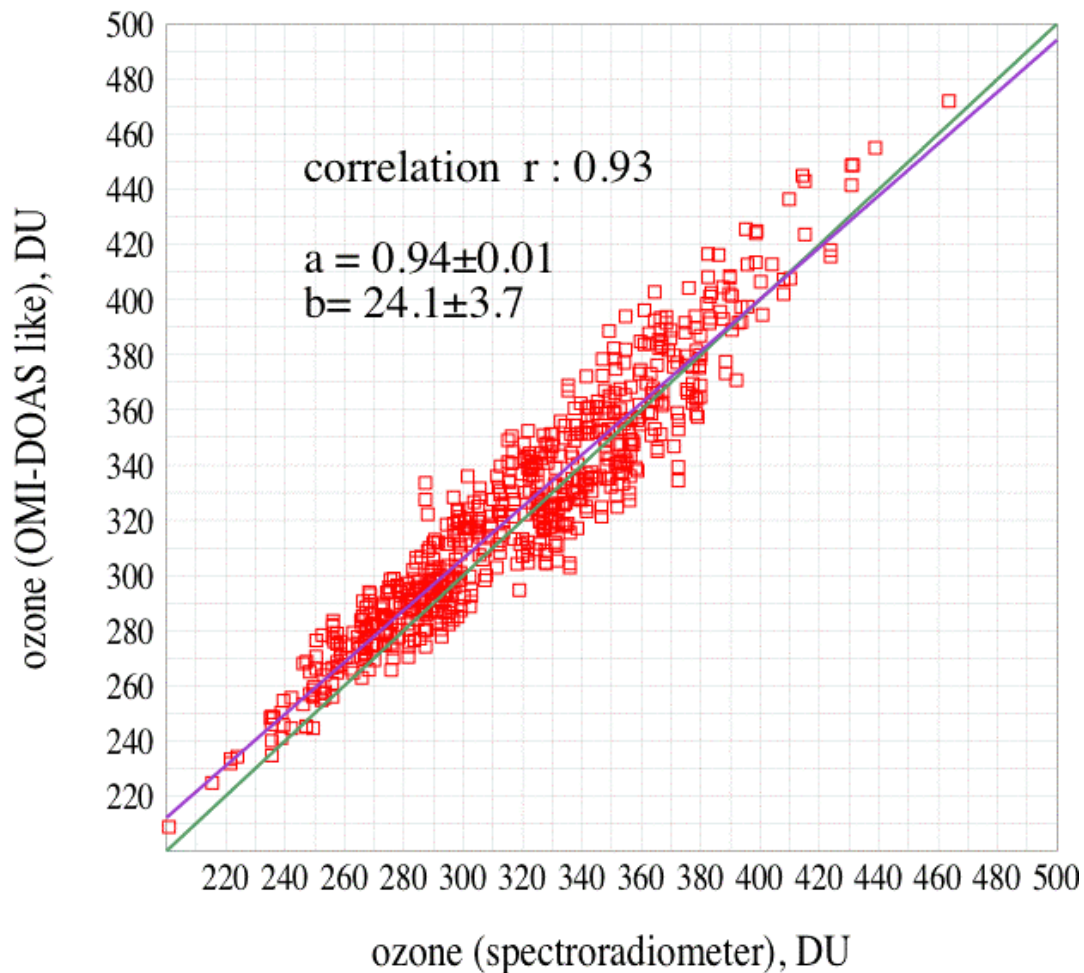
— $y = a*x+b$

Period : October 2005 - January 2007

Good agreement

Comparison of ozone at Villeneuve d'Ascq

OMI DOAS - like method



□ □ □ 669 points

— $y = x$

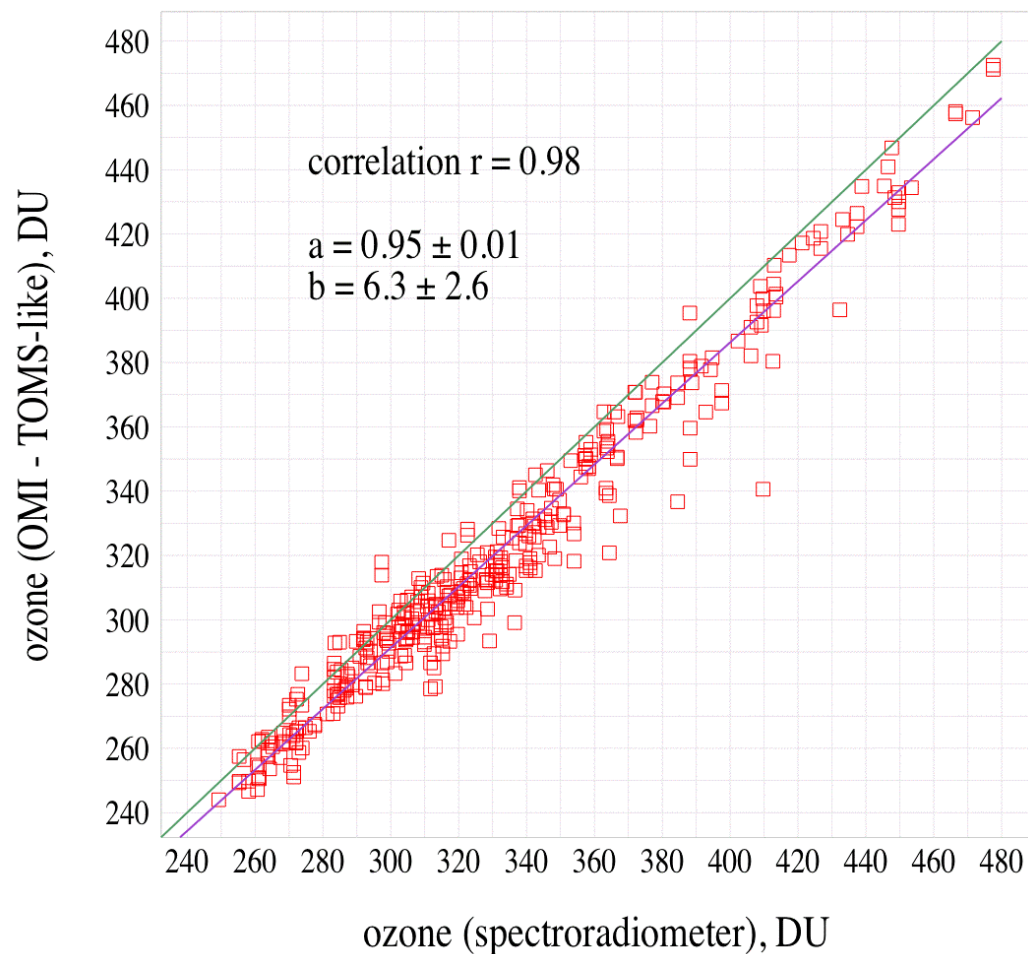
— $y = a*x+b$

Period : October 2005 - January 2007

Agreement less good than
TOMS method but correct

Comparison of ozone at Briançon

OMI TOMS - like method



□ □ □ 378 points

— $y = x$

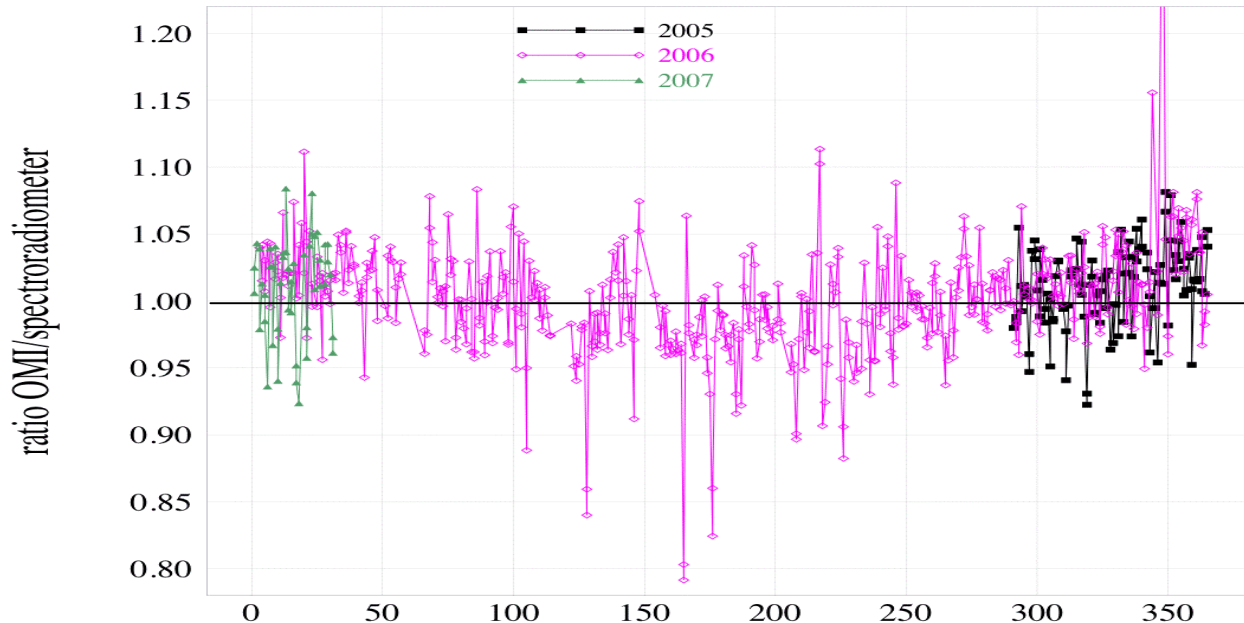
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Period : September 2004 - September 2005

Good agreement but a little bias (spectro > OMI)

Study with an other spectroradiometer (Bentham) in progress.

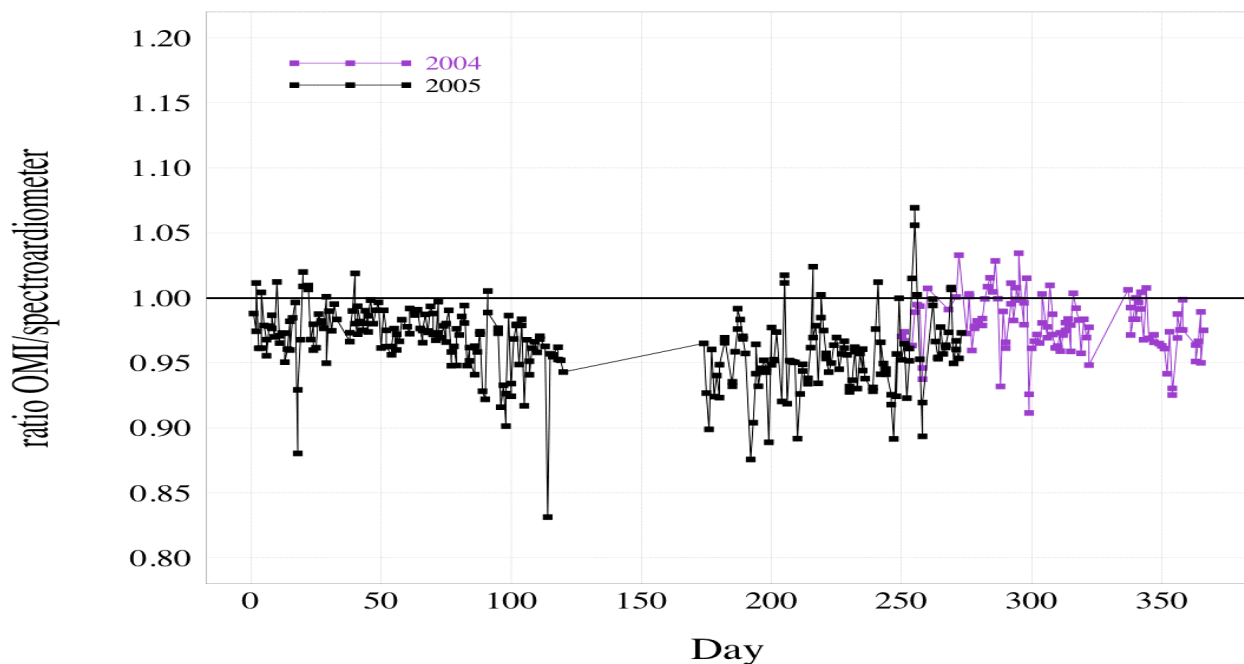
Time series of ozone ratio OMI/spectroradiometer



At V. d'Ascq

656 points

OMI : TOMS-like
method



At Briançon

378 points

Small <0 Bias

Difference larger
in summer

Comparison of UV surface irradiances at V. d'Ascq

For clear skies (flags OMI and spectro)

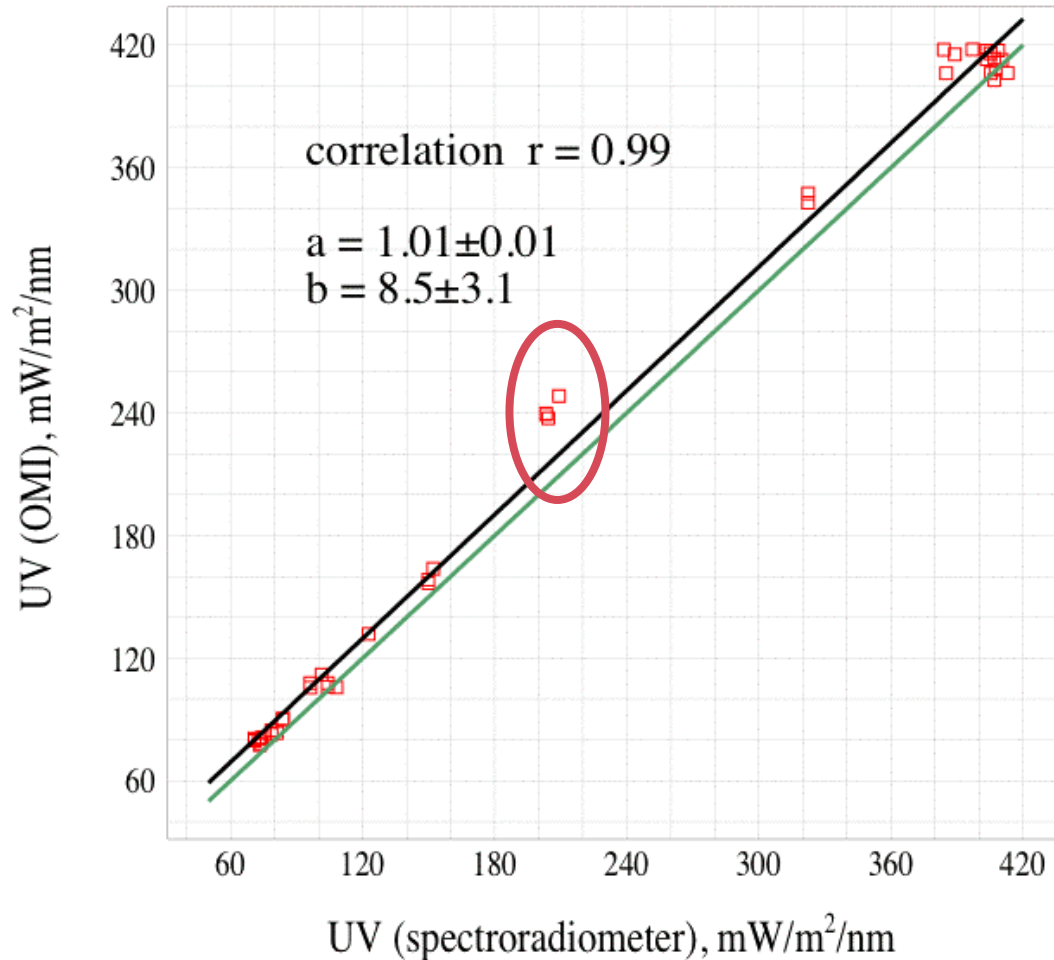
Spectroradiometer :

- Deconvolution of the measurements from the instrument's slit function (FWHM ≈ 0.75 nm) and reconvolution by the FWHM of OMI ≈ 0.55 nm (use of SCHICrvm)
- Choice of best coincidence with solar noon.

OMI :

- Determination of UV surface irradiances: radiance measurements + radiative transfer model (input data : ozone, surface albedo, P, T profiles...).
- One or two data per day (at solar noon).

Comparison of UV at 324 nm at Villeneuve d'Ascq



□ □ □ 43 points

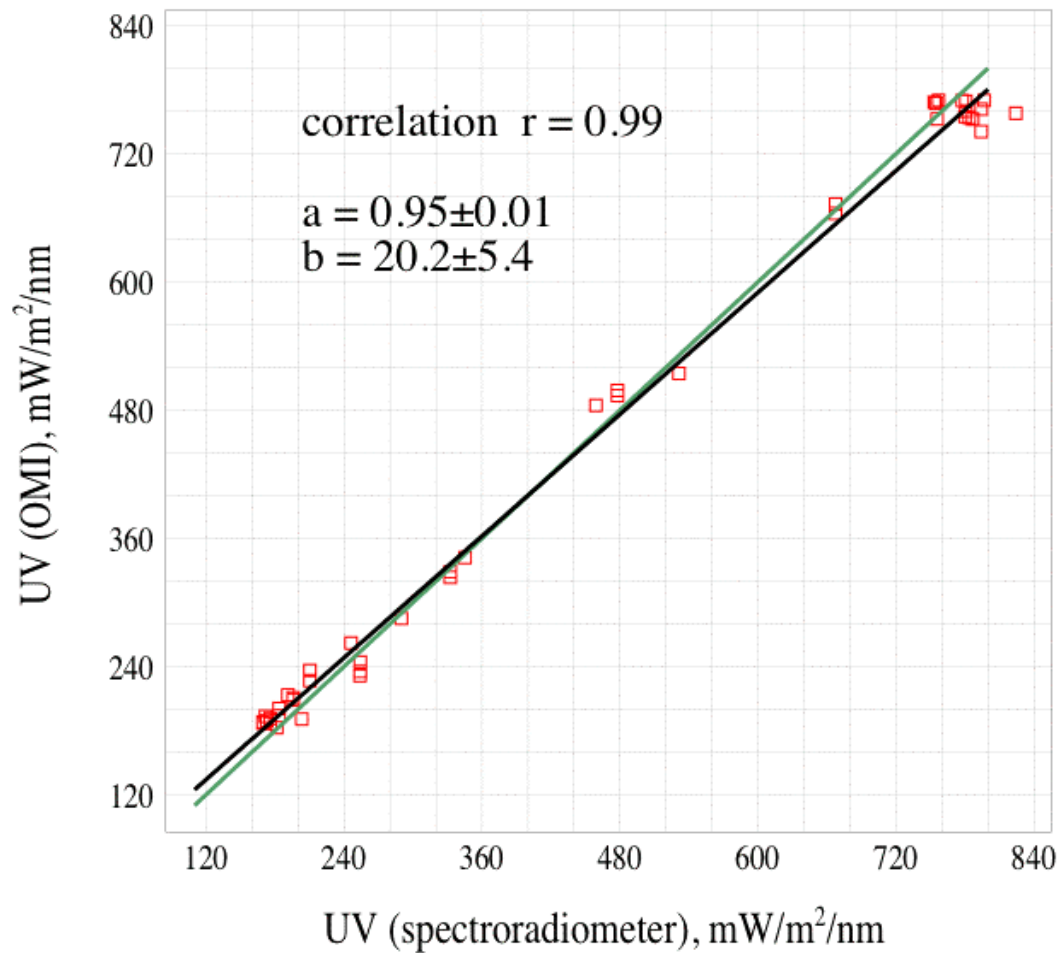
— $y = x$

— $y = a*x+b$

Period : October 2005 - July 2006

Satisfying agreement - small bias
(important to use the same slit
function).

Comparison of UV at 380nm



□ □ □ 43 points

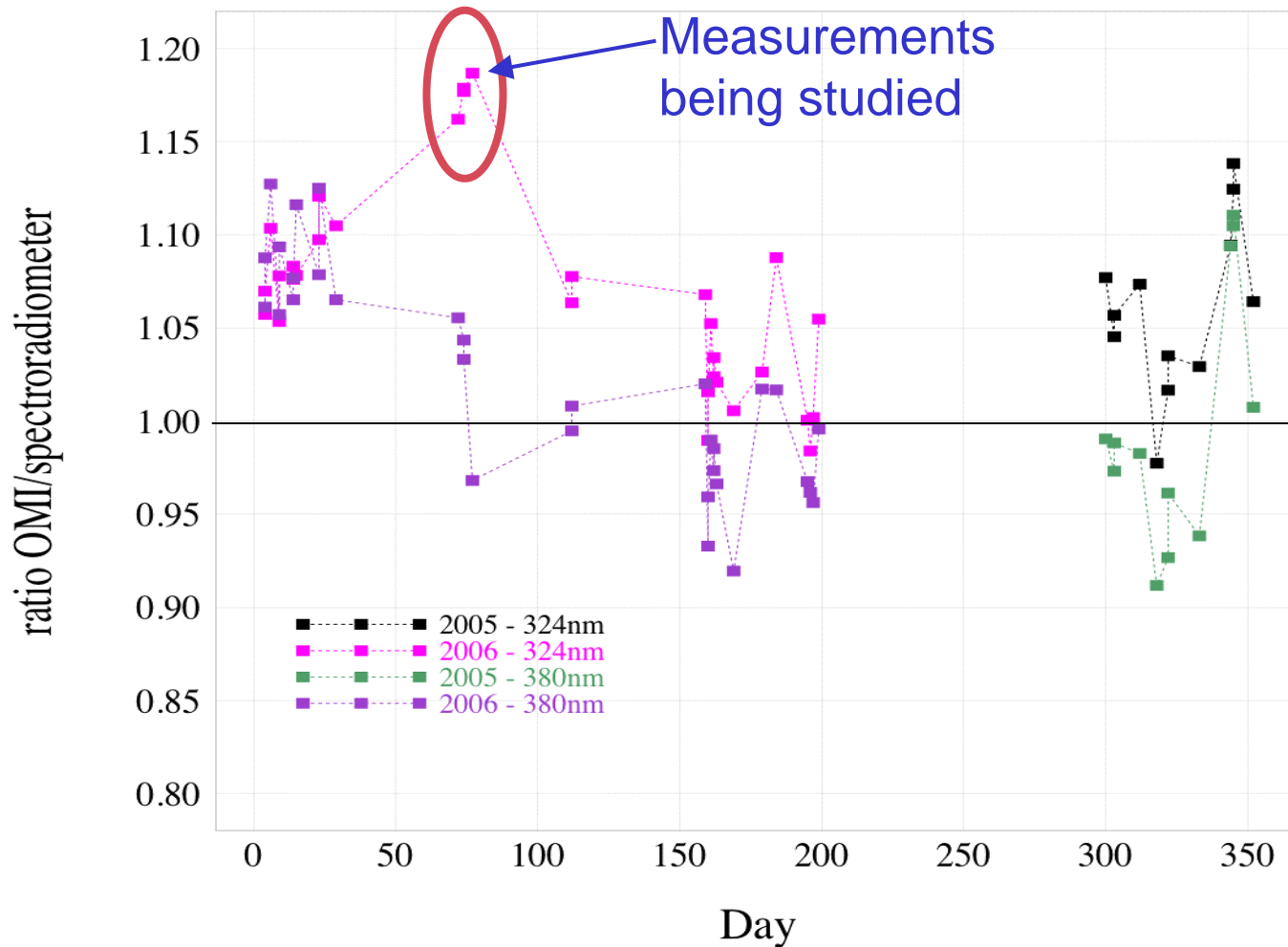
— $y = x$

— $y = a*x+b$

Period : October 2005 - July 2006

Satisfying agreement

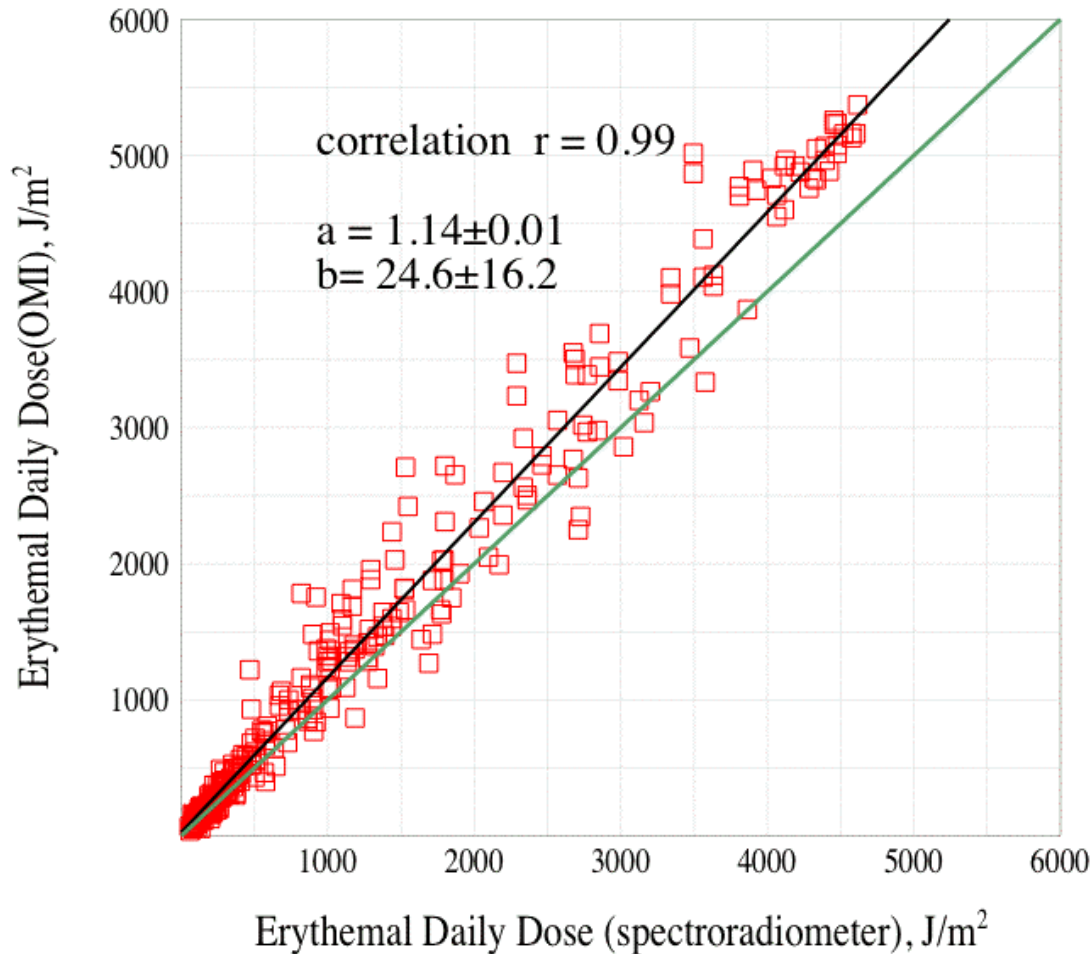
Time series of irradiance ratio OMI/spectroradiometer



at 324 nm
bias ~ 5-10 %

at 380 nm
~ 5-10 %
in winter
~ - 5-10 %
in other
seasons

Comparison of the erythemal daily doses at V. d'Ascq



□ □ □ 353 points

— $y = x$

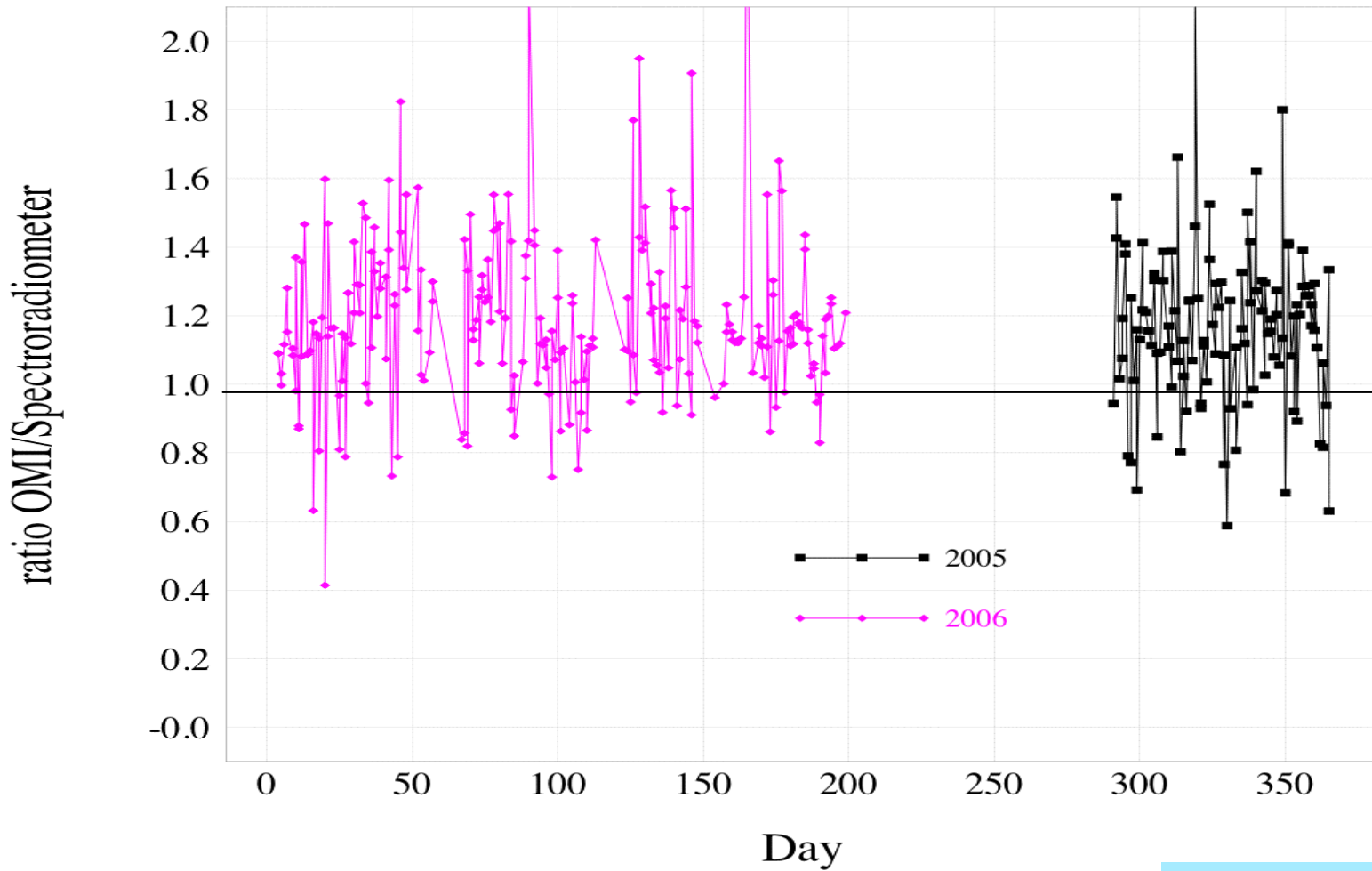
— $y = a \cdot x + b$

Period : October 2005 - July 2006

∃ Bias (OMI > spectro)

Similar results as others
teams

Time series of the EDD ratio OMI/spectro at V. d'Ascq



Bias \approx 20%

Comparison of aerosols at Villeneuve d'Ascq

Clear sky

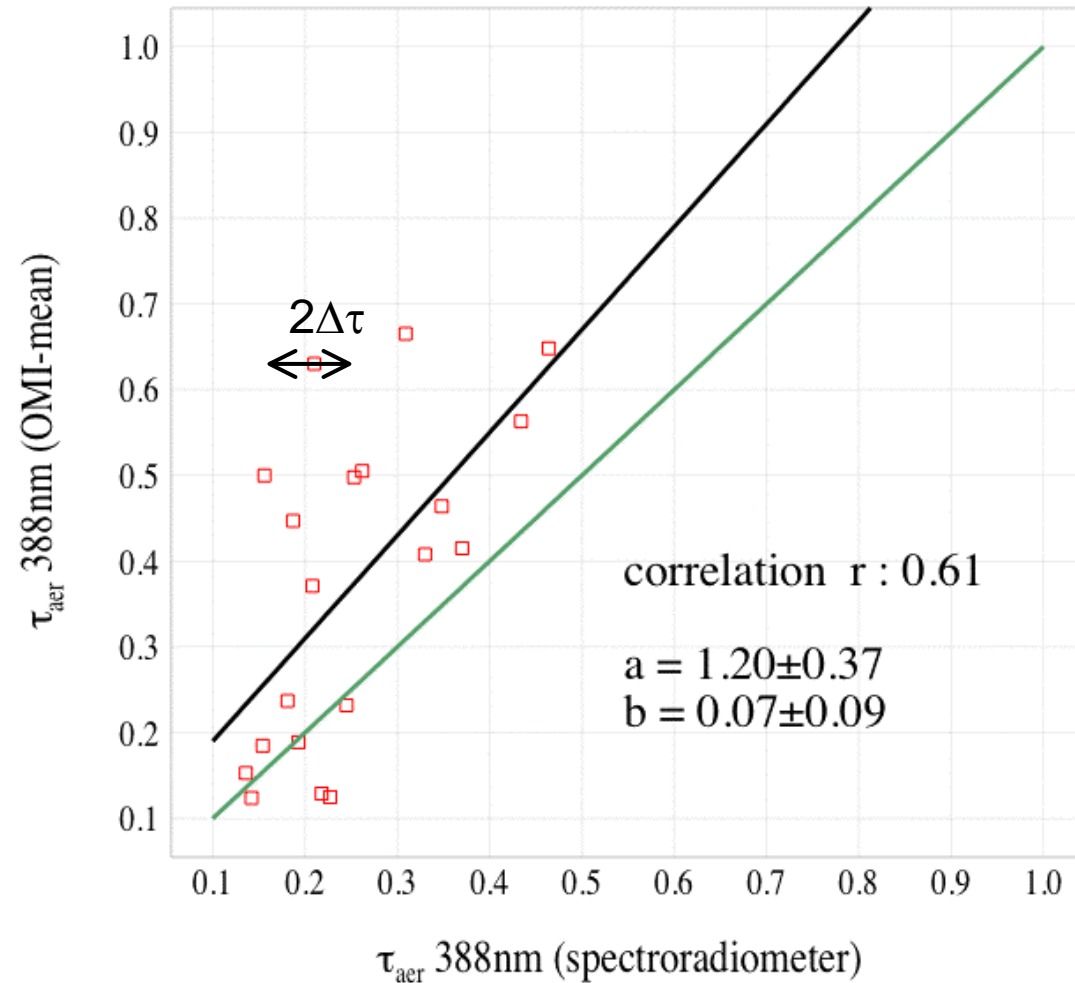
Spectroradiometer :

- Aerosol optical depth (AOD) is obtained from the ground-based direct irradiance (global - diffuse).
- Uncertainties : ~ 0.05

OMI :

- Method : ajustement of the radiance measured at 388 nm.
- The OMI's AOD at 388 nm is averaged within 50 km around V. d'Ascq (reduces the influence of clouds).

Comparison OMI - spectroradiometer at V. d'Ascq



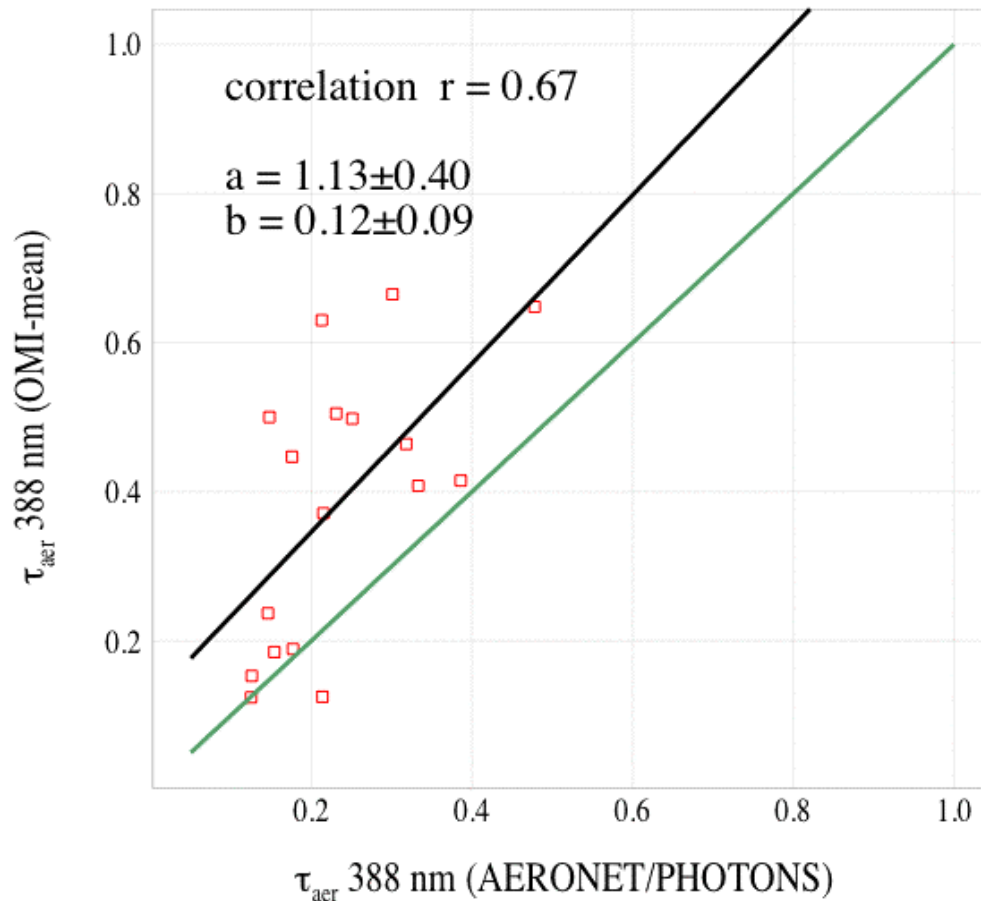
- □ □ 20 points
- $y = x$
- $y = a \cdot x + b$

Period : March - September 2006

Preliminary results disappointing

Comparison OMI - AERONET/PHOTONS at V. d'Ascq

AERONET/PHOTONS : interpolation



□ □ □ 17 points

— $y = x$

— $y = a \cdot x + b$

Period : March - September 2006

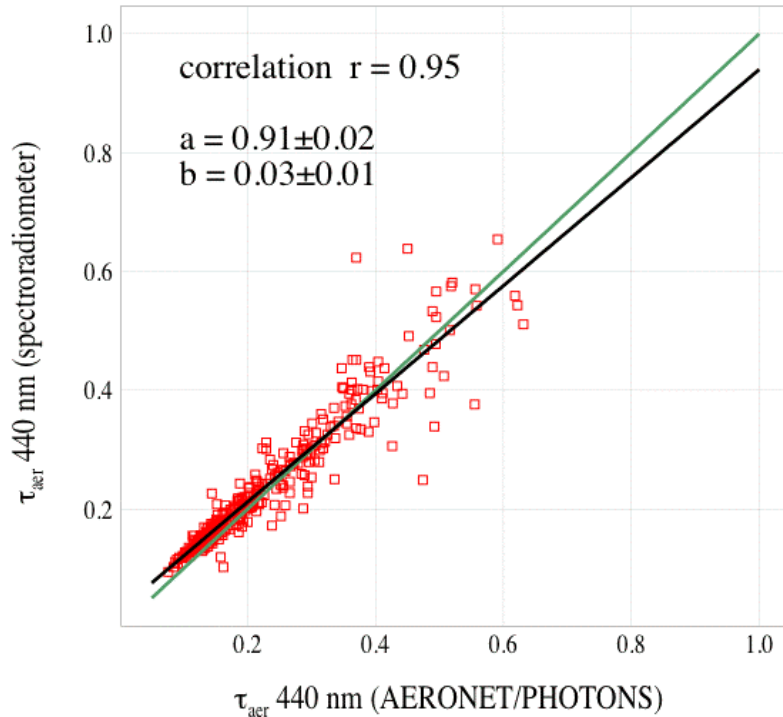
Similar results : OMI's AOD > spectroradiometer's AOD and > AERONET's AOD.

AOD at V. d'Ascq small

=> Cloud contamination ? (pixel size)

Comparison spectroradiometer - AERONET/PHOTONS

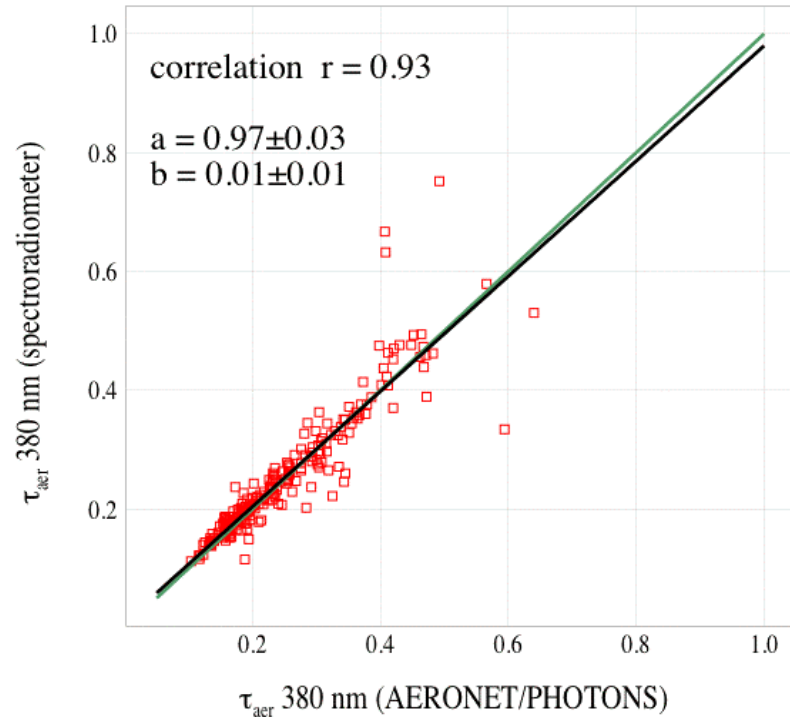
at 440nm



□ □ □ 349 points

— $y = x$
— $y = a \cdot x + b$

at 380nm



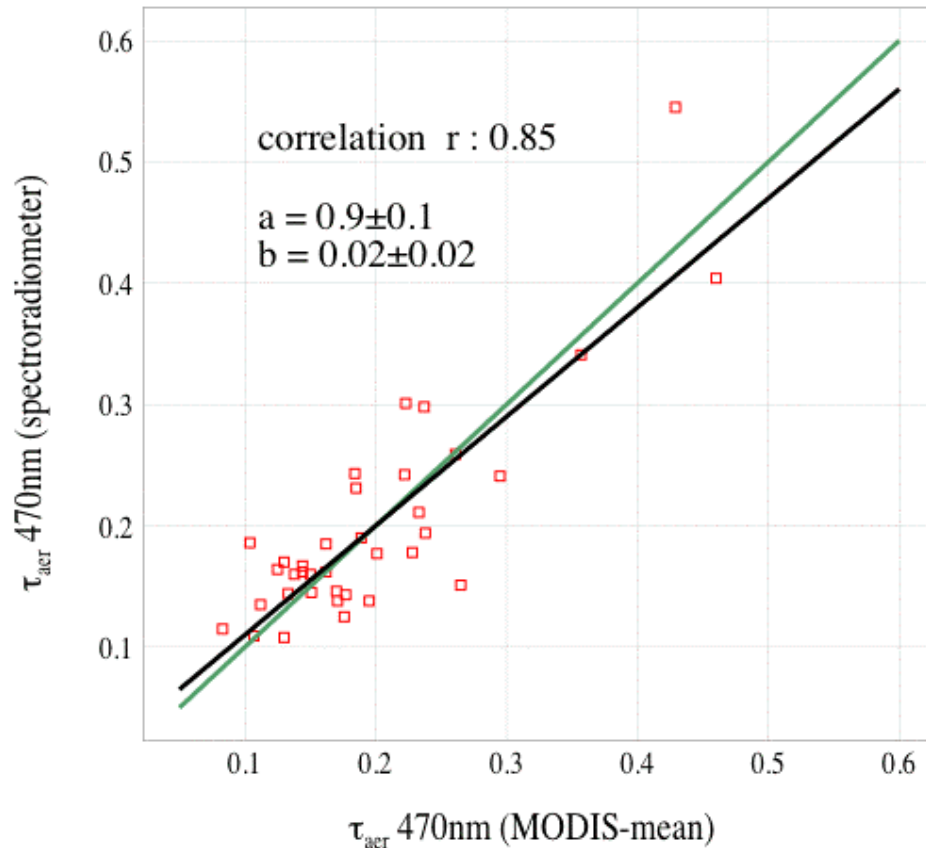
□ □ □ 238 points

Period : January - September 2006

The results are quite satisfying

Comparison spectroradiometer - MODIS/Aqua

spectroradiometer : extrapolation at 470 nm



□ □ □ 36 points

— $y = x$

— $y = a \cdot x + b$

Period : January 2006 - October 2006

Results quite reasonable

Comparisons spectro/MODIS
and spectro/AERONET \Rightarrow
spectroradiometer's AOD is
generally correct

CONCLUSIONS :

Ozone : good agreement for both methods (a little better for TOMS-like).

UV irradiance: reasonable agreement at 324 and 380 nm.

Erythemal daily doses : bias OMI>spectro.

Aerosols : preliminary comparisons with OMI disappointing.

Comparisons between MODIS and AERONET AOD with AOD from ground-based spectroradiometer in VdA are satisfying.

Prospect :

Comparisons of UV irradiances at Briançon.

Use of future version OMAERO of KNMI.