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# The RAMOS infrastructure and its application to the validation of TROPOMI tropospheric NO<sub>2</sub> VCDs

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## The RAMOS project



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Fig. 1: RAMOS\* campaign setup

Objectives:

Fig. 2: RAMOS flight strategy

- 1. Development and implementation of an observation system (ground-based and airborne) in the context of cal/val activities for EO missions.
- 2.  $NO_2$  mapping together with airborne and ground-based profile measurements of  $NO_2$  and aerosol will better constrain the AMF of S5P TROPOMI over the target urban area.

\*AROMAT campaigns, Merlaud et al., 2020

### Airborne platform

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#### Aerodynamic particle





Fig. 3: Britten-Norman 2 Islander (BN2)





Fig. 4: Instrumentation on board BN2

### Ground-based facilities



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Instrument	Product
Pandora 2S	NO <sub>2</sub> column densities
Multiwavelength Raman depolarization lidar	Aerosol extinction profiles in UV, Vis, IR
Lunar Sun photometer	Aerosol
FTIR	$CO, CH_4$
Car-based Mobile-DOAS	NO <sub>2</sub> column densities



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Fig. 5: TROPOMI CAMS data over Bucharest, 22 Nov 2021



Fig. 6: SWING+ data over Bucharest, 22 Nov 2021



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Fig. 7: Mobile-DOAS data in Bucharest, 22 Nov 2021

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NO<sub>2</sub> descending vertical profiles

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Fig. 11: APS vertical profiles over Bucharest

Effect on the AMF?

#### Future development



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• The datasets cover the full length of the year with 25 flights so far and the measurements go on.

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- The data include profile information (in-situ and remote sensing), which will be used for better characterization of TROPOMI over Bucharest.
- The measurements will also be included in the central analysis performed at BIRA-IASB.
- The RAMOS infrastructure will be further detailed in an article that's a work in progress.