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## Progress studies from Thematic Working Group TWG \_ GT2 Risks and Humanitarian Aid



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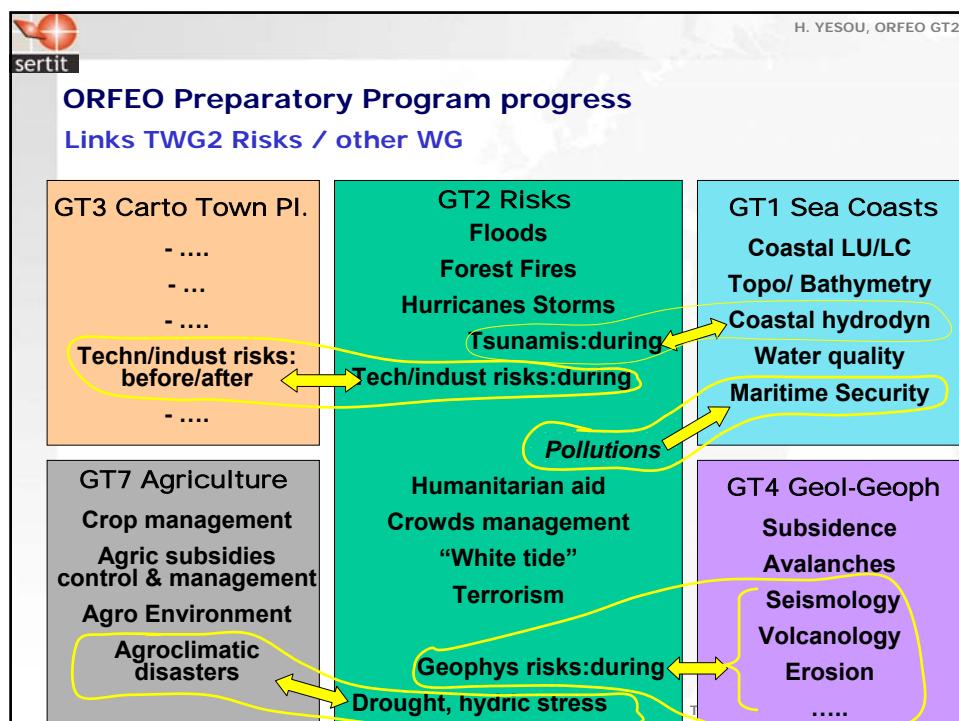
**Overall expectation**

For all crisis:

- Before: risks assessment, vulnerability study, stakes assessment
- during: geographical extend, event dynamic and accessibility
- After: crisis analysis and scenario production

Understanding the on going phenomenon

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## Synthesis on datasheets from TWG2 «Risks and Humanitarian Aid »

Number and type repartition by hazards  
47 datasheets : very good score !

		Nb fiches
Risques hydrométéo	Inondations (crues éclair, lente) Marée blanche Tempêtes / Cyclones Tsunamis	12 2 4 0
Risques origine naturelle ou anthropique	Feux forêts Risque technologique Stress hydraulique	5 2 0
Risques géol-géoph.	Tremblements terre Eruptions volcaniques Glissements terrain Coulées de boue	3 1 2 1
Crises Humanitaires	Camps de réfugiés Déminage	3 2
Grands événements		1
Marées noires		2
Cartographie 2D MNT MNE		4 3
Total fiches		47



## Expectation according to risk

- Humanitarian aid
  - Risks assessment: need for archives and for monitoring sensitive zones (airports, harbours, etc.)
- Insurances
  - Crisis analysis: precise damage location localisation: comparison before/after and both damage quantification and qualification
- Floods
  - Risks assessment: river cartography during the dry season, altimetry (riverbed, flood plain, soils moisture state, study of preceding floods dynamics, phenomena understanding)
  - During the flood: logjam detection, highest water levels
  - After the flood: maximum flood height, intervention scenario

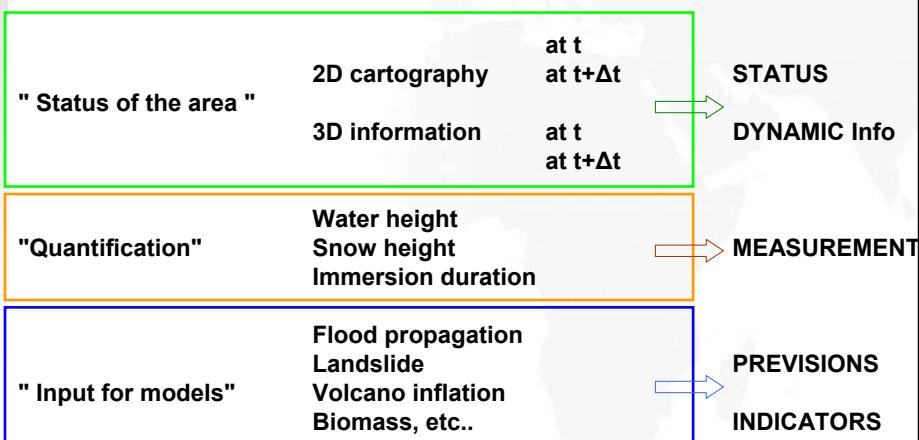


## Expectation according to risk (cont.)

- Forest fire
  - Risks assessment: water stress, dominant winds, relief (3D navigation), fire evolution scenarios understanding phenomena
  - During the crisis: daily cartography of fire contours
  - For the interventions: knowledge about housing and cleared and non cleared areas
- Technological Risks
  - Risks assessment: DTM/DEM, gas propagation model, dominant winds, etc. understanding phenomena
- Other:
  - Seism: Need for a large satellite swath
  - "White tide": geographical extent and accessibility
  - Terrorism: preparing response scenarios
  - Large gathering: intelligence

## ORFEO Preparatory Program progress

Main categories of information required in TWG2 product sheets



## Synthesis (in terms of system)

- Risk assessment: need for recent archives quickly accessible
- During the crisis:
  - need for **very quick programming** facility and **very quick delivery** of images supply
  - All weather conditions (SAR)
- Crisis analysis: need for images time series

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## Synthesis (in terms of products)

- Optical/Radar (less knowledgeable): **ortho-images**
  - Visible: **70 cm colors**\_natural colors P+XS
  - Stereo (tri-stereo).
  - Scales 1:10.000 (sometimes 1 :5.000) au 1:50.000.
- **3D** (DTM, DEM precise) → **3D navigation**
- **Dynamics of observed phenomena** (images + models)
  - communication for managers and general public,
  - formation and prevention (ex best position of fire wall)
  - temporal information relative to the overall phenomenon à la dynamics. Ex: maximum floods.
  - 4D: evolution of DTM DEM in time
- **multi-scale:** zone 100 km\*100km to 200km\*200km
  - global: resolution 10-20m = scale 1/100.000-1/50.000 ;
  - Local: 0,7-1m = scale de 1/10.000 -1/5.000 .

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## On going GT2 thematic studies

- **Floods**
  - Flash flood : Gardon upper watershed (Pleiades HR)
  - Plain flood: Arles/Tarascon (Pleiades HR)
  - Plain flood, Alsace Luxembourg, China (Cosmo Skymed, ASI call, June 2008)
- Cartography of assets
- Cartography the impact extent
- Water paths
- Comparison/input for modelling
- **Earthquake Alger/Boumerdès**
- Damage mapping and reconstruction monitoring.
- **Protection of forest against fire St-Tropez**
- Suivi débroussaillage/ défense contre les feux de forêt*
- Pointing out the areas sensitive to forest fires

(Large gathering, proposal under elaboration with GT8)

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## Pleiades potentialities

### Cleared shrublands detection in operational fire management

V. Therion, D. Marechal D., PA Ayral, MC Lyx C V  
Foitier., S. Sauvagnargues-Lesage & JC Poppi





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## Forests fires and DFCI equipments

**Défense des Forêts Contre les Incendies**

- Tank, water points,...
- Heli - surfaces,
- Barriers, tracks
- DFCI grids

Clearing :

**Creation of horizontal and/or vertical discontinuity of fuel in DFCI tracks**

Good clearing

Bad clearing

TRABAUD, L. 1992. *Les feux de forêts : mécanismes, comportement et environnement.* France-Sélection, Aubervilliers, 278 p.

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## Typologies prospection

Operational typology	Ecological typology
Good clearing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bare soil</li> <li>• Opened cork oak forest with low herbaceous biomass</li> </ul>
Intermediate clearing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mid-opened cork oak forest with brushwood layer presence</li> <li>• High biomass shrubs</li> </ul>
Low clearing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mid-opened cork oak forest with high biomass brushwood layer</li> </ul>
No clearing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closed cork oak</li> </ul>

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**Pleiades-hr simulations**

	Panchromatic	Multi-spectral
PELICAN	0.25 m	0.25 m
QUICKBIRD	0.6 m	2.4 m

Good clearing  
Intermediate clearing  
Low clearing

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**Ecological Typology : good clearing**

Bare soil

pened cork oak with low herbaceous biomass

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### Ecological Typology : intermediate clearing

Mid-opened forest and brushwood layer

High biomass shrubs

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### Ecological Typology : low and no clearing

Mid-opened forest biomass brushwood layer

Closed evergreen vegetation

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### Methodological confrontation

**Are future Pleiades-hr products adapted for operational clearing management in DFCI zones ?**

Trees / Ground 1 <sup>st</sup> Approach	" Multi-stratum " 2 <sup>nd</sup> Approach
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Pléiades like Panchromatic</li> <li>✓ PELICAN fusion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ "Pixel" Method Pléiades like fusion</li> <li>✓ "Objet" Method Pléiades like fusion</li> </ul>

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### Step 1 : Tree neighbourhood

- One tree
- Two trees
- More than two trees

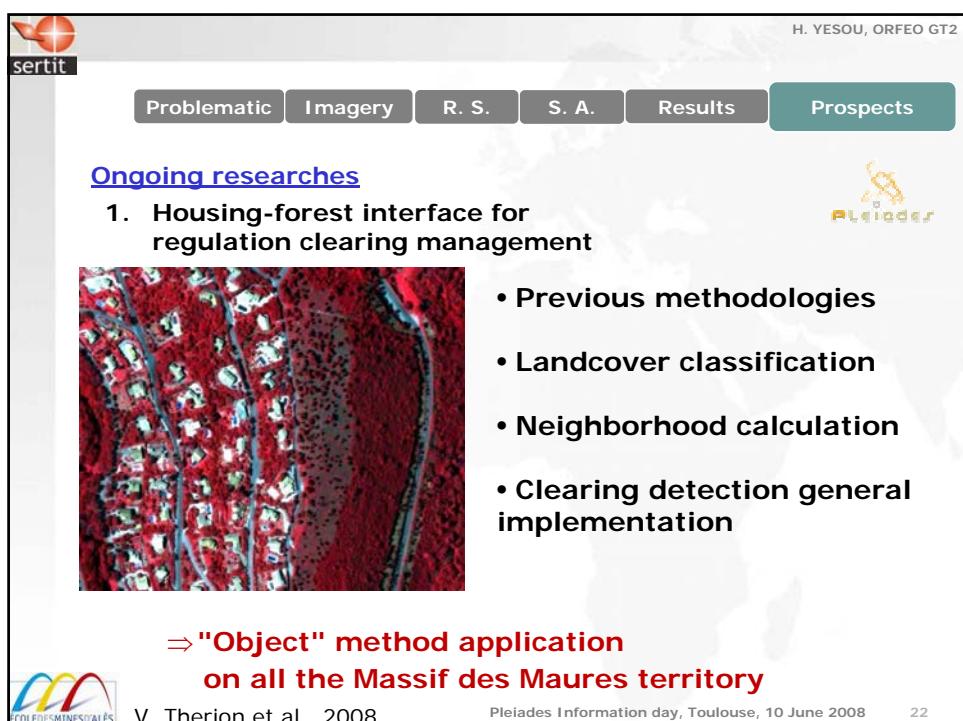
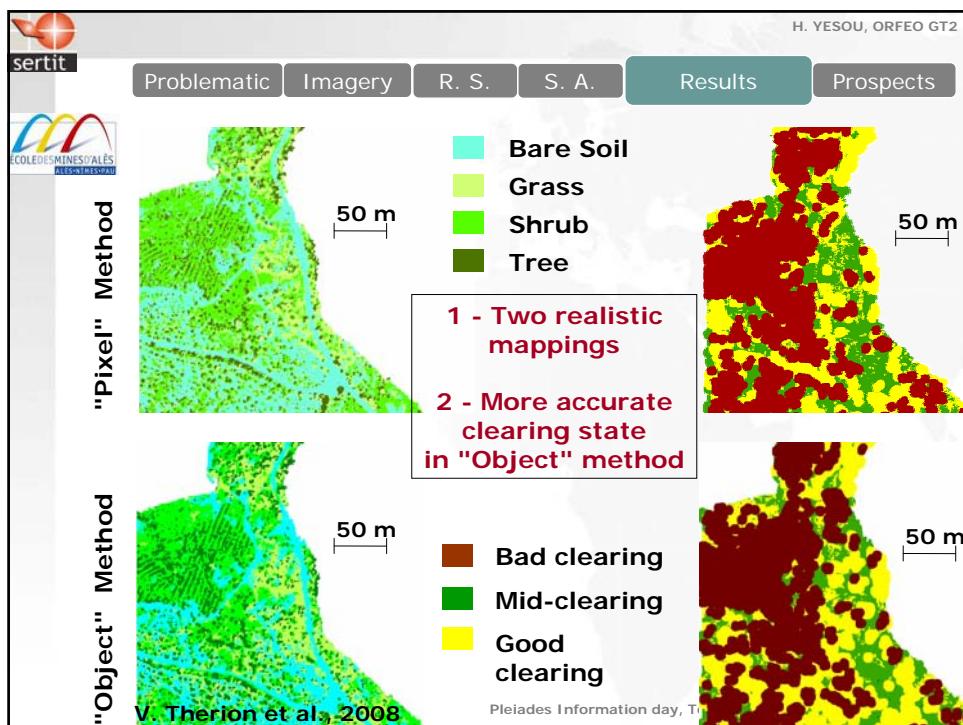
5 m      (Tree > 3,5 m<sup>2</sup>)

### Step 2 : brushwood layer density

- 0 – 25 %
- 25 – 50 %
- > 50 %

Step 1 x Step 2 = 9 combinations = 3 clearing levels

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Ongoing researches

**2. Multi-temporal approach**

- Accuracy of clearing detection => vegetation cycle
- Improvement of monitoring of clearing evolution ?

**3. Integrated and operational methodology definition**

- An integrated remote sensing and GIS workflow
- Implementation of an operational tool (ORFEO ToolBox)

⇒ Operational-oriented research

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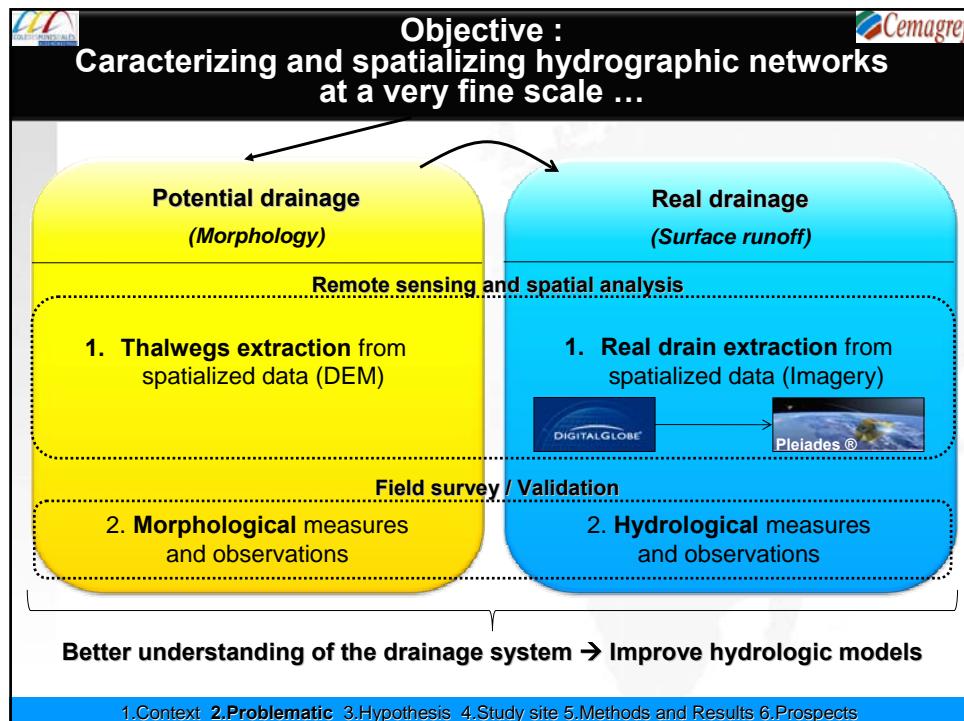
## From potential to real drainage

Using very high resolution satellite imagery  
for characterizing hydrographic network at  
different scales on small Mediterranean  
watersheds subjected to flash flood events

D. Marechal, C Puech, S. Sauvagnargues-  
Lesage , JS Bailly & PA Ayral

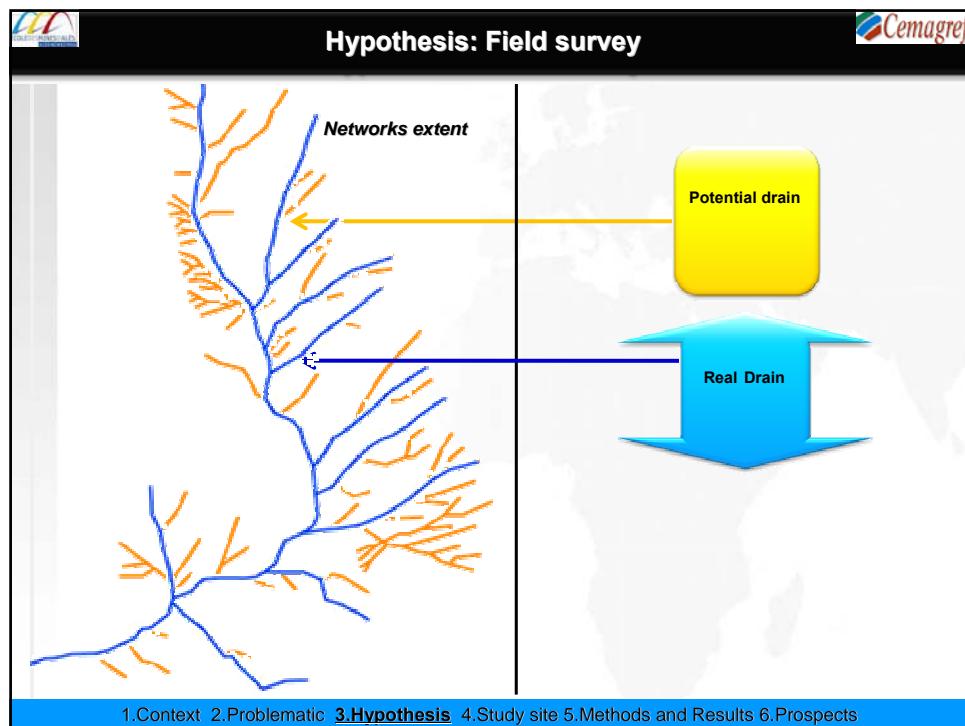
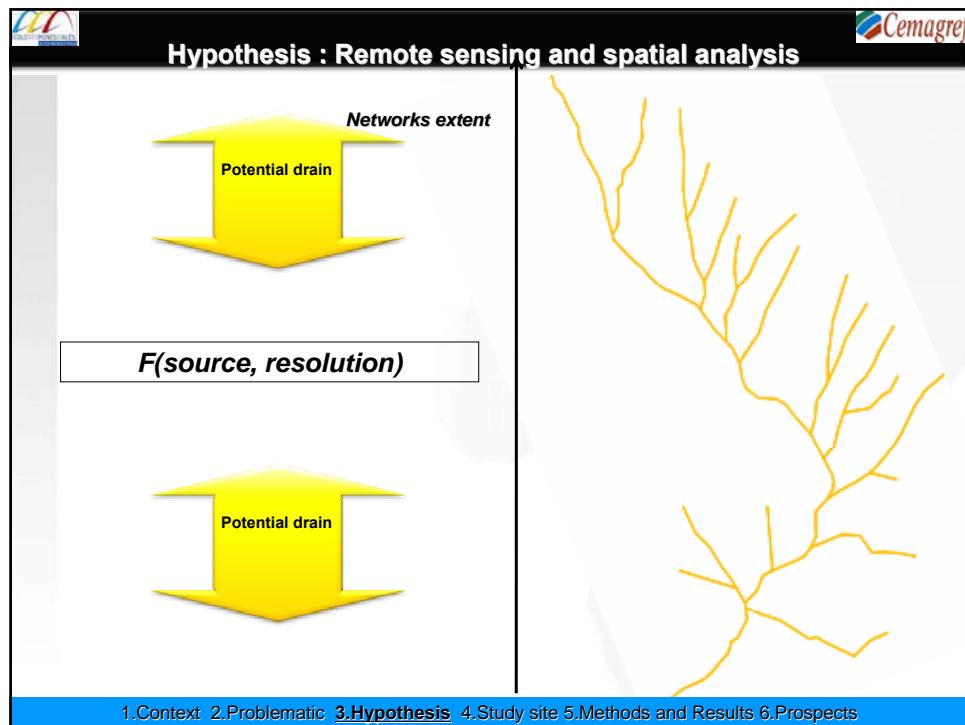
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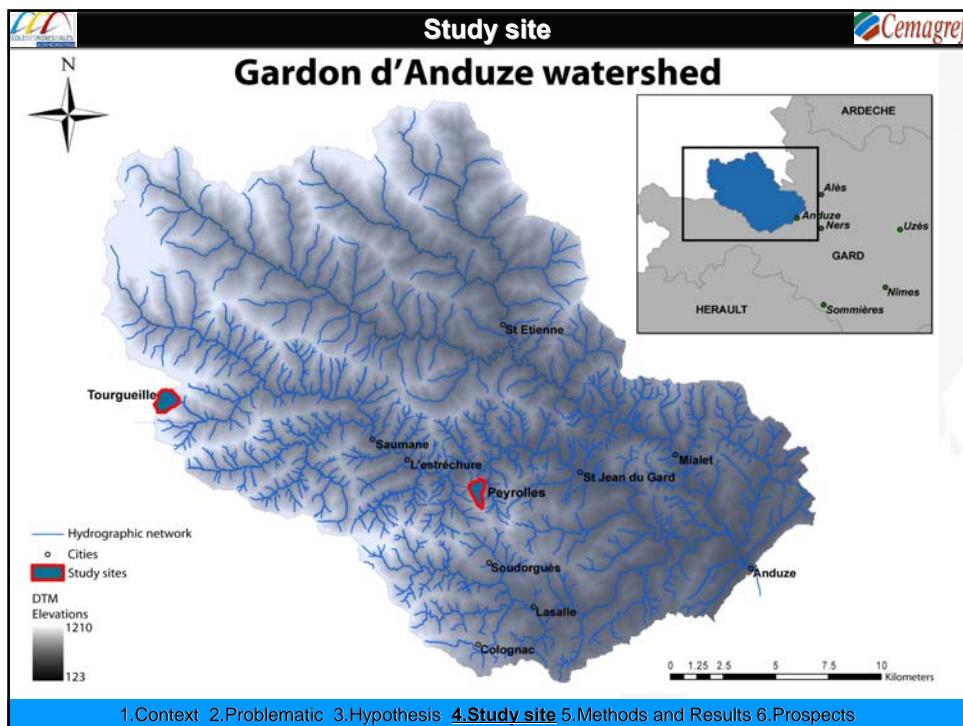
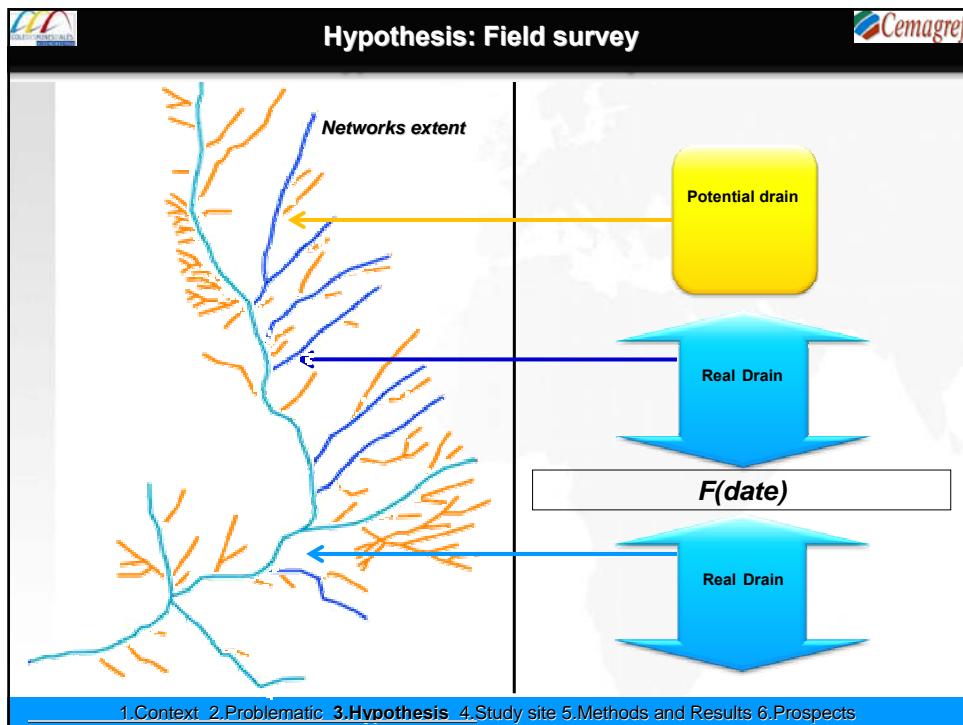


**Hypothesis**

Hydrology	Remote Sensing
-The temporary gully network participate to the intense rise of waterflow in hydrographic networks of superior order	-The whole thalwegs are extractable through DEM only (vegetation cover)
-The whole thalwegs of a bassin represent the maximum extent of the hydrographic network (real drainage)	-Surface water is non visible on imagery (in our case) -Real drainage can be indirectly extracted from imagery by analysis of vegetation, humidity, soil depth etc...

1.Context 2.**Problematic** 3.**Hypothesis** 4.Study site 5.Methods and Results 6.Prospects

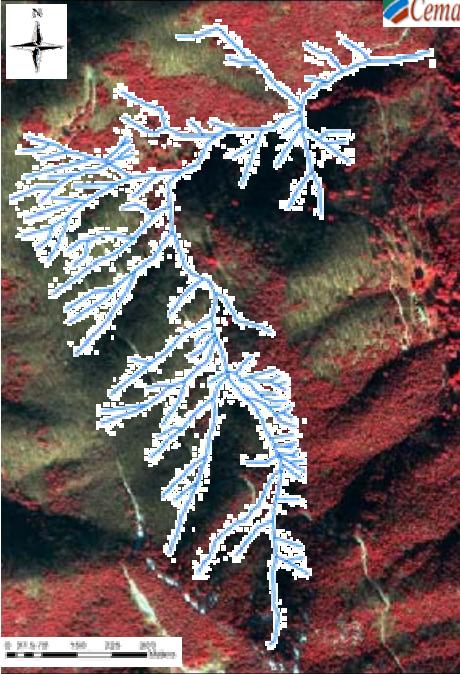




 Extraction of hydrographic network by photointerpretation, using Pléiades like imagery (Gille, 2007)

- Limited extraction
- Important variations between analysts
- Not an automatic method

Quickbird imagery:  
Peyrolles, February 2006,

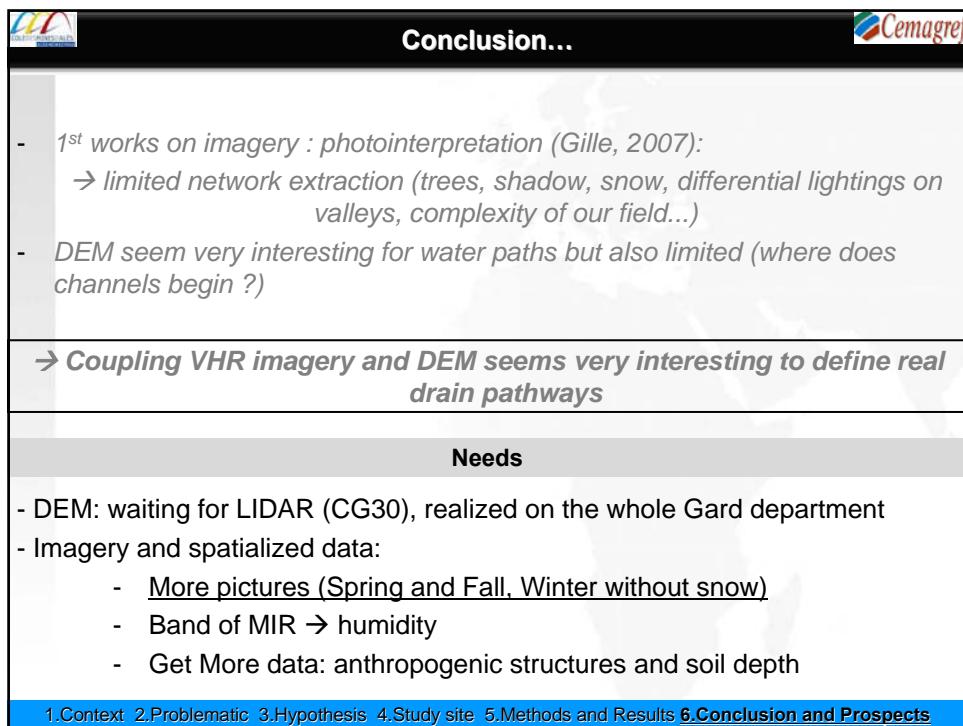
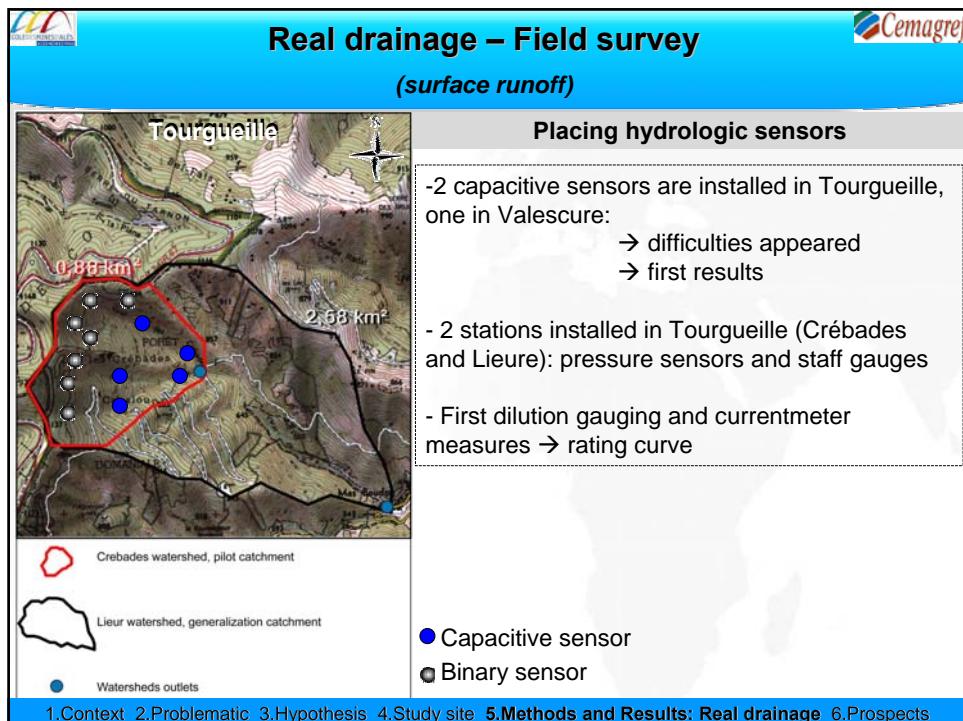


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 Potential drainage  
*(Morphology)* 

<p><b>Remote sensing and spatial analysis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Automatic morphologic network extraction using DEMs (raster and TIN)</li> <li>→ Complementary spatialized data</li> </ul>	<p><b>Field survey</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Observations and network analysis (morphologic indexes, confluences)</li> <li>→ Spatialization of cross-section measures</li> </ul>
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## **Characterisation of assets using simulated Pléiades HR images, and post crisis feedback following the December 2003 Arles flood event**



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**S. Cherchali and H. de Boissezon**



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### **GT2 « Hazards- Humanitarian » requests and expects**

#### **On assets/ stakes**

- Fiche DSC n°4 « inondation »
- Fiche SDS-83 « pendant »
- Fiche EMA « inondation 1 »
- Fiche EMR « carte de crise »
- Fiches MNR « zones inondées »
- Fiche Sertit « Inondation 3-impact »

#### **Characterization of the flood event**

- Fiche DSC n°4 « inondation »
- Fiche Unosat « inondation »
- Fiche ERM « carto de crise »
- Fiche EMA « inondation 2 »
- Fiche MNR « zones inondées »
- Fiche SERTIT « inondation extension »

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**Study area: Arles**

- Superficies: 198 km<sup>2</sup>
- Flooding in rural landscape : Tarascon plain
- Flooding in urban landscape : Arles and neighbourhood
- Intensive rain fall from the 1<sup>st</sup> to 3 of December 2003
- Sertit has been involved :
  - Charter action
  - MEDD study in 2005

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**Objectifs of Arles study**

PLEIADES HR data and flooding

- Assessment of efficiency and viability of Pleiades HR data
- Characterize the flood impact within urban and peri urban areas
  - From the stakes point of view : dense and isolated artificial areas
  - From the hazards point of view : highest water level, recognition of hydraulic elements

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## Pléiades HR and post crisis hydrological analysis

➤ Feed back after crisis

➡ Work at local scale :

- Location of breaks and over flow
- Draw off characterization

➡ Work at regional scale

- Highest water level recognition and location

➡ Search for elements useful for modelling (water paths water fluxes)

➤ Data acquired during the flood event : *Orthophoto (0.5m), Ikonos (1 et 4m) et SPOT 5 (2.5m)*

➤ Data acquired after the flood event : ***Quickbird (0.7m) – simulating Pléiades HR***

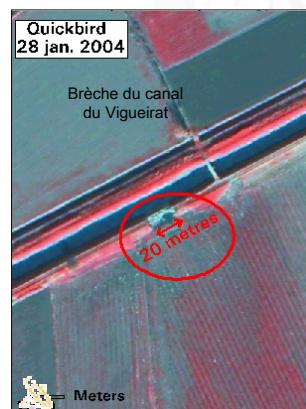
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## Pleiades HR for hydrological analysis

Recognition of breaks on levees and over flow



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**Post crisis analysis**

Rhône River over flowing in the South of Tarascon

- Affected area but not observed on crisis EO data
- Alluvial deposits along the Rhône reaches and in the South of the water cleaning station
- Possibility of drawing on the post crisis image the directions of the flow

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**Post crisis analysis**

**Limit of highest water (HWL = PHE level)**

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## Post crisis analysis

Simulated viewing of a flood event: SPOT 5 vs Pléiades HR

Residential area  
Parking  
Center of activities

SPOT 5 fusion 2.5m  
18 mai 2005

Quickbird fusion 0.7m  
28 janvier 2004

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## Concluding remarks

- Asset analysis: brings and limits of VHR
- Fine detail level , access to additional information for the characterization and identification of some sensitive targets
- Difficulties to determine the function of building
- SPOT 5 : 7 elements / 31 listed  
Simulated Pléiades HR : 20 elements / 31 listed
- Pléiades HR : a fine tool for up dating

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## Concluding remarks

Hydrological post crisis analysis: Pléiades HR complementary source of information

- Local and global/regional aspects
  - ↶ Breaks recognition, indicators of over flow and draw off s
  - ↶ Limit of highest water
- Indicators of the flood event dynamic
  - ↶ Éléments pour la modélisation (occupation du sol, extension de l'inondation, éléments structurants)
- Strong interest for feed back
  - ↶ Indications for the zoning of risky areas
  - ↶ Information on soils states

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## Future trends and actions : SAR



Analyse the Potential of VHR SAR

- Cosmo Skymed
- Terra SAR
- Radarsat II
- High resolution,
- Polarisation

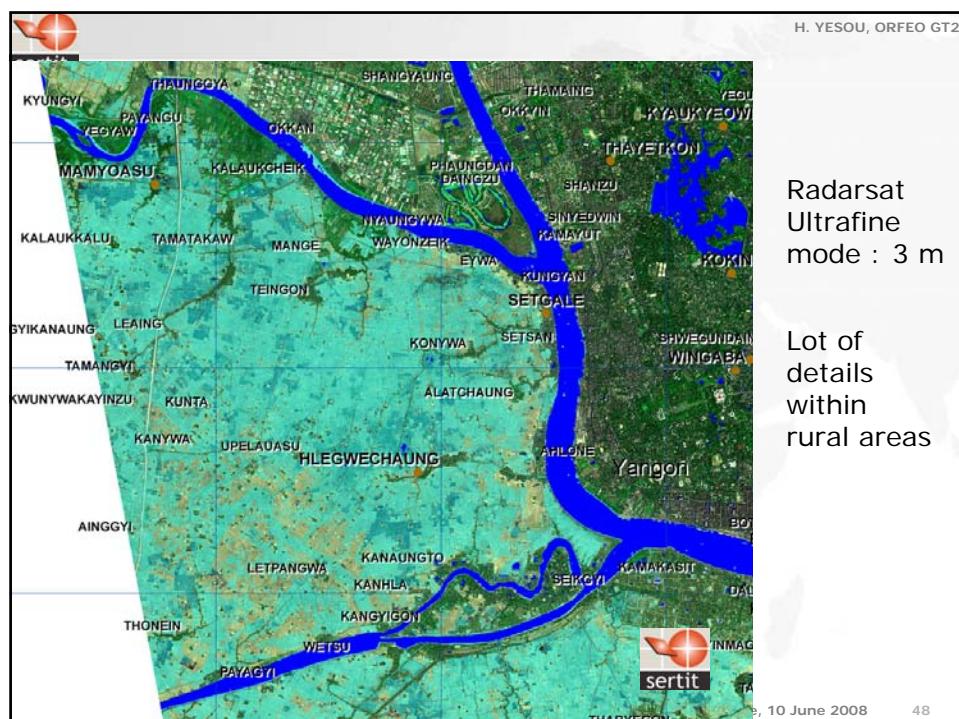
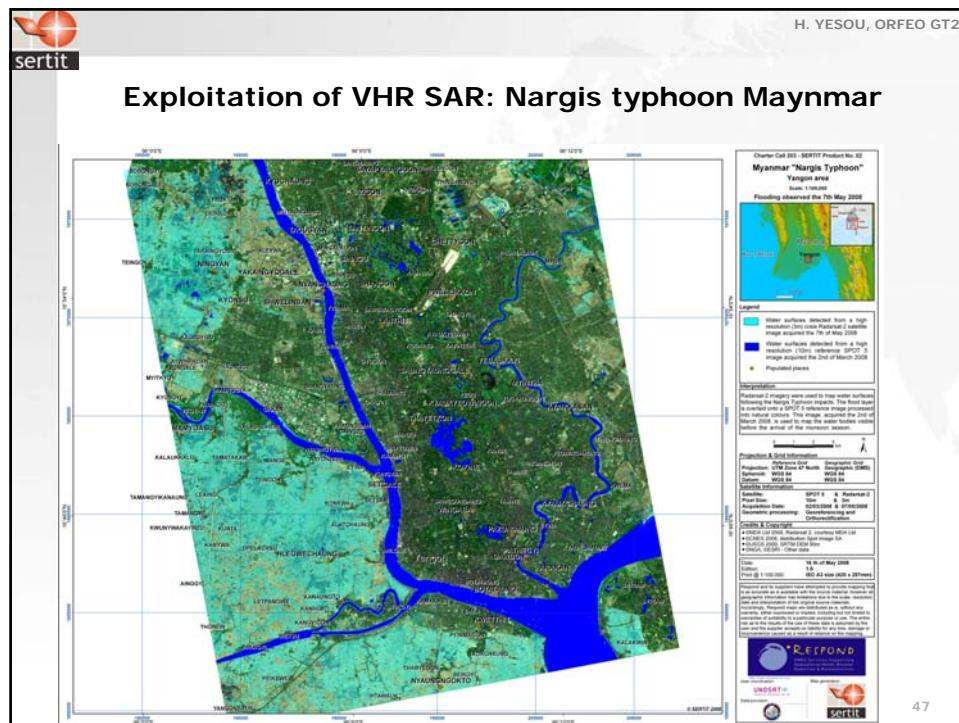


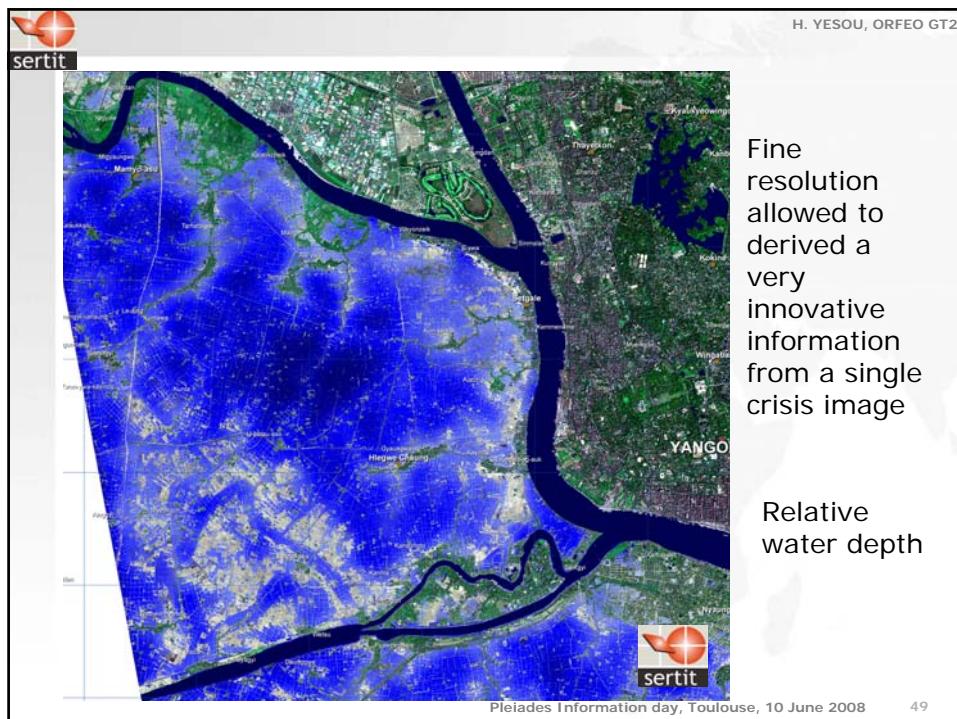
Example of Nargis typhoon floods over Maynmar  
 (question of the potential of acquisition and revisit over such areas (500 by 300 km )

Future Cosmo Project over Luxembourg, NE France and China



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**Recognition of earthquake damage  
&  
Rapid mapping product elaboration**

**based on Pleiades HR data targeting decision makers:**

**2003 Boumerdes earthquake case study.**



**R. Andréoli, H. Yésou, F. Ledrappier,  
S. Clandillon  
&  
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## Context Boumerdes

**Charter rapid mapping action: May 2003**

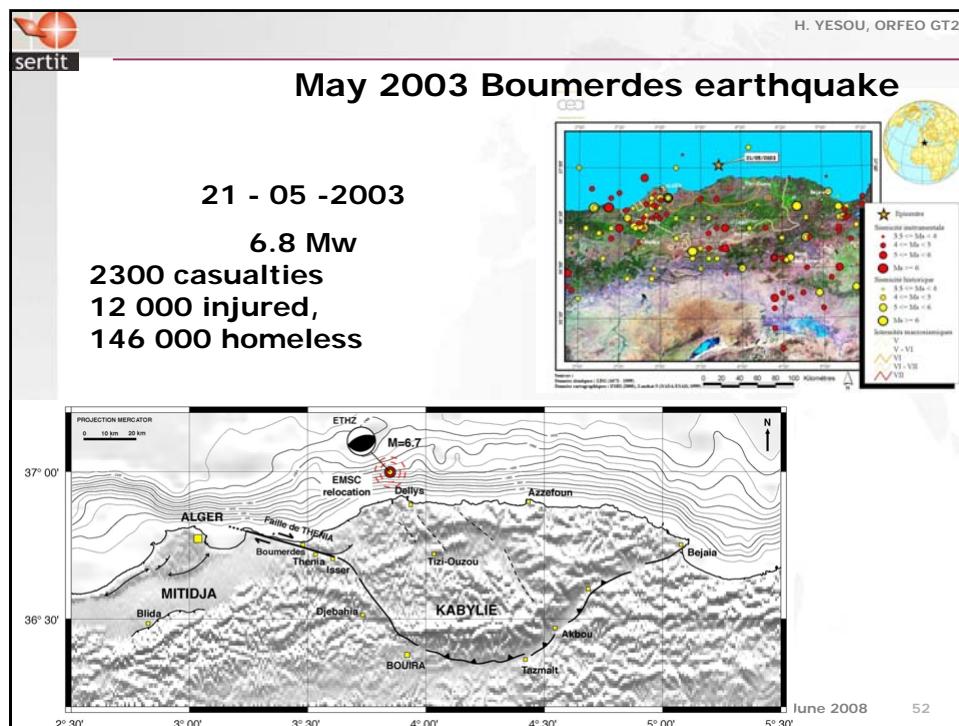
- Request of DDSC (Sécurité Civile française)
- Rapid mapping products transmitted to Algerian survey services by DDSC channel

**Test site :**

- Methodological works for CNES
- Demonstrator of Pleiades HR potential (DDSC-SERTI initiative) within the ORFEO programme
  - Asset mapping
  - Earthquake damage recognition and mapping
  - Temporary relief settlement monitoring
  - Reconstruction monitoring

**Exploitation of QB data set simulating Pleiades HR data**

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## Boumerdes



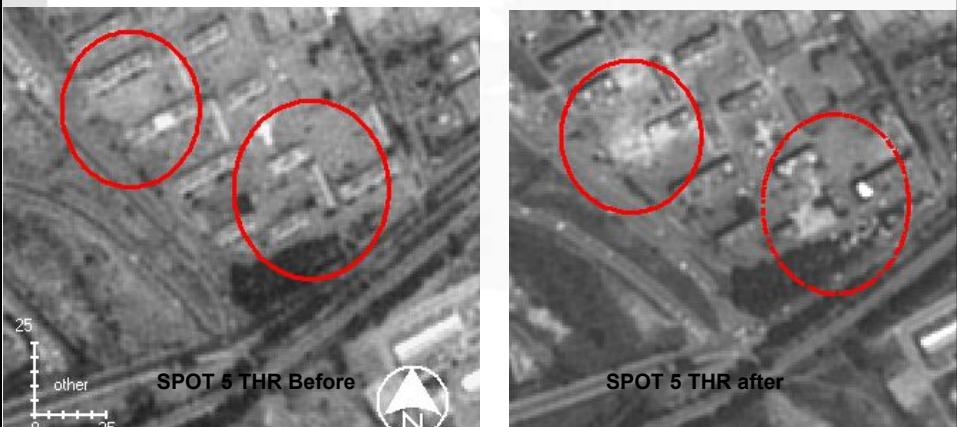
Urban area with high building density and important urban dynamic  
 See for example the "quartier du Plateau "



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### Starting point : crisis SPOT 5 THR



SPOT 5 THR Before      SPOT 5 THR after

25  
other  
0      25

**SPOT 5 THR, 2.5 m**  
**Alger May 2003 Earthquake**

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The image consists of two side-by-side optical Very High Resolution (VHR) satellite photographs of a residential complex. The left photograph, labeled 'Reference 2002/04/22', shows a grid of houses and surrounding infrastructure. The right photograph, labeled 'Crisis data 2003/05/23', shows the same area after a crisis. Two specific buildings in the lower-right portion of the complex have been circled in red to highlight damage. The images show significant changes in the state of the buildings and possibly the surrounding environment.

The figure displays a detailed land cover map of the Le Corso area in Algeria. The map is color-coded to represent different land types: grey for buildings, dark grey for roads, green for vegetation, and light green for water bodies. A legend on the right side provides a key for these symbols. The map also features a scale bar at the bottom and a north arrow. In the top left corner, there is a logo for 'sertit' and the text 'ALGERIE - Le Corso - Carte topographique'. The top right corner shows the date 'Situation le 23 Mai 2003' and the word 'DEMONSTRATEUR'. The bottom right corner contains a red 'sertit' logo.

## Damage recognition : multi-criteria approach

Area of investigation Boumerdes, le Corso, Regbaia,  
Boudouaou Le Figuier, Cap Blanc, Zemouri, Thenia

- 11 310 referenced buildings (ph 1: 4377 in Boumerdes)
- Multicriteria approach for damage recognition (visible damages, geometry of damage, human activity, etc ..)
  - ⇒ 18 classes damage description from VHR analysis
  - ⇒ Linkage between EMS 98 and the 18 damages classes
  - ⇒ Linkage between mercali and the 18 damages classes

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## Optical VHR and damage recognition

- Blocks of flats

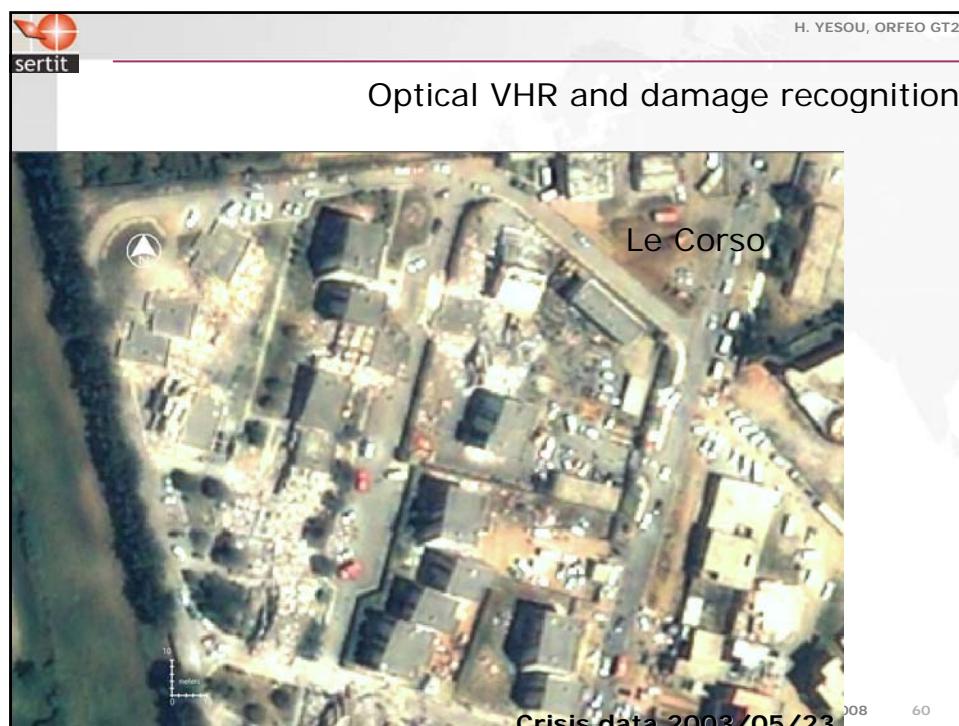


**Collapsed buildings**



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**Optical VHR and damage recognition**

- Industrial buildings : grain silos

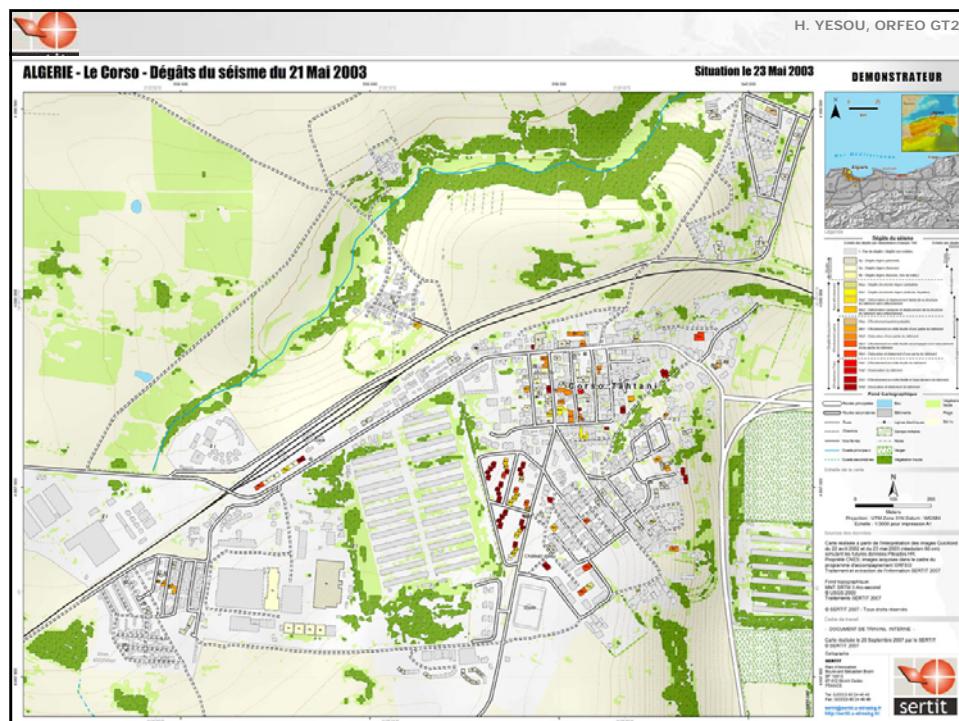


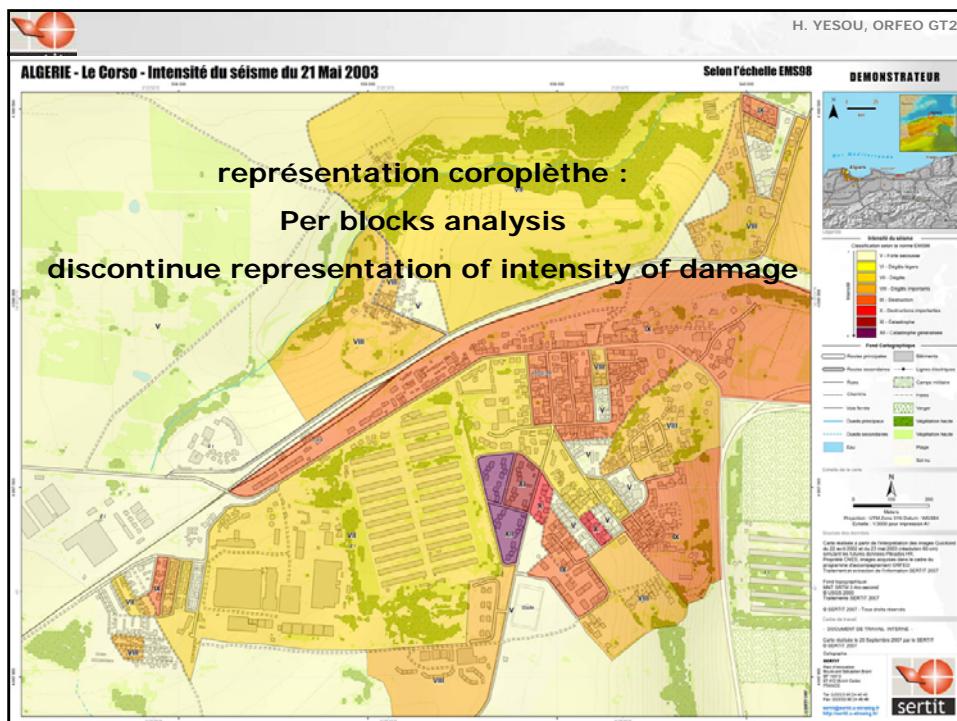
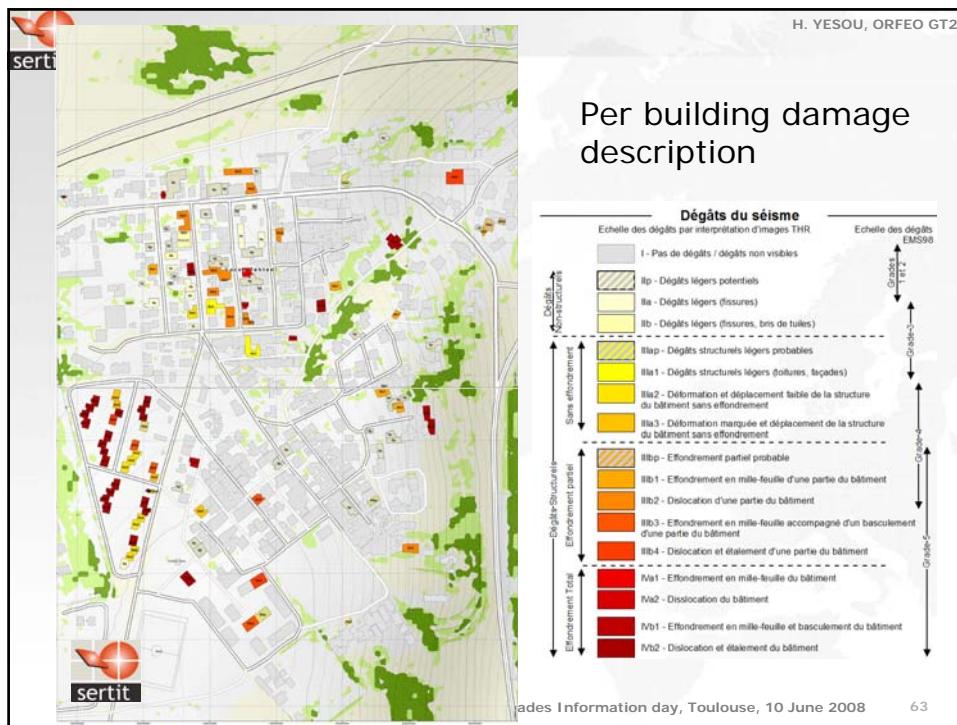
**Sheared buildings with grain on the ground**

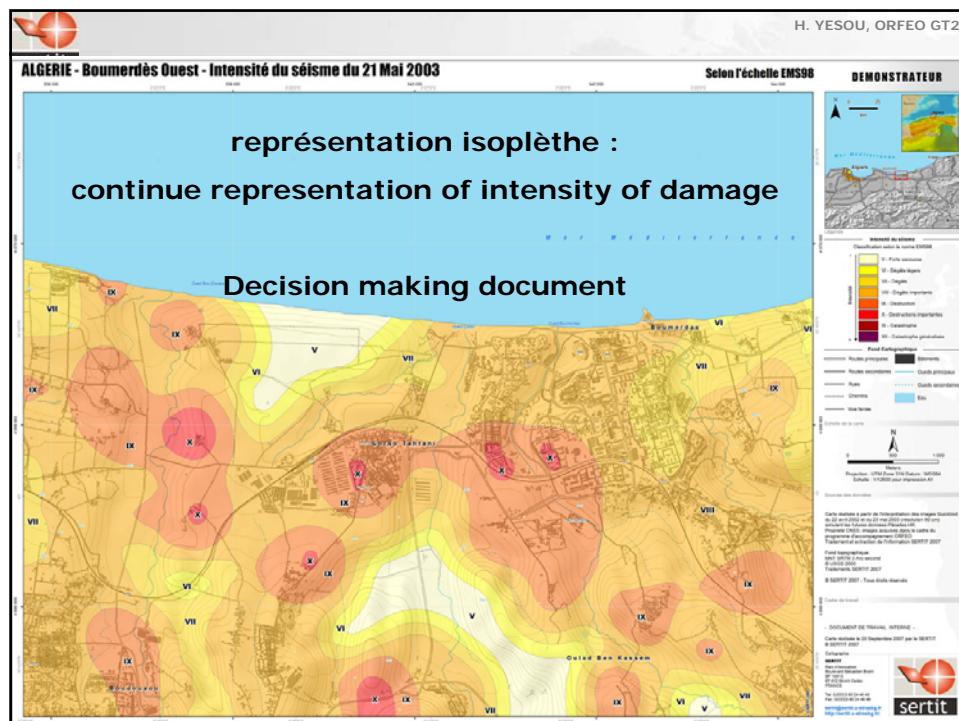
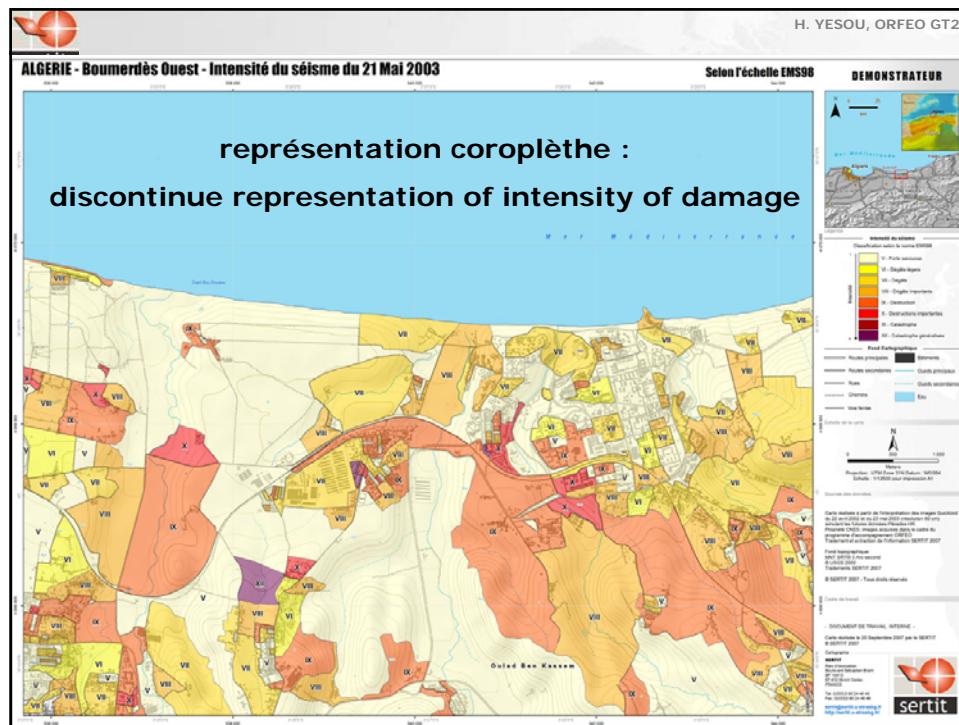


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## VHR optical and camps recognition

### Short term monitoring

Two images acquired within 3 weeks,  
May and June 2003

### Monitoring short and long term reconstruction

Exploiting the two crisis data and 2006  
image

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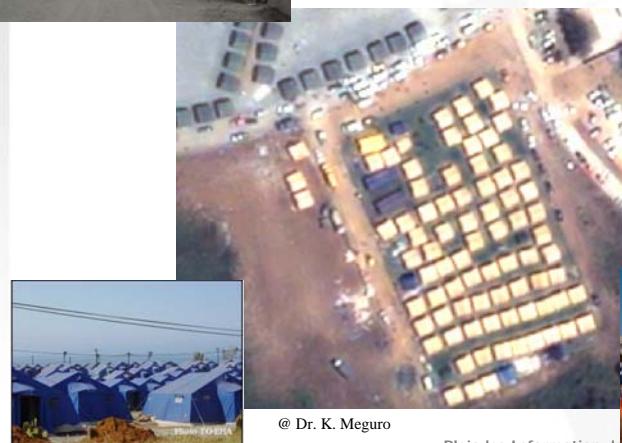


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## VHR optical and camps recognition



Possibility of recognition  
camps organization



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### VHR optical and camps recognition



Crisis data 2003/05/23



Crisis data 2003/06/18

**Within 3 weeks**

- ⇒ Increasing of amount of tents in a camp
- ⇒ Increasing of the number of camps
- ⇒ Increasing of the camps size

Total observed amount of tents moving from a few hundreds of tents to more than 4000

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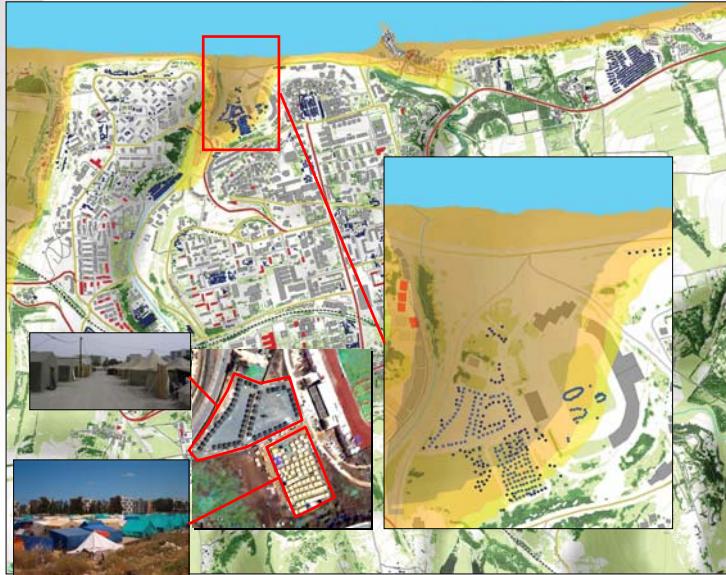

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### Help to displaced people



Rescue tents and displaced people tents mapping...

... and their evolution during one month following the event





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## Reconstruction monitoring

- **Clearing activities: begun since May 2003**
- **Short term evolution: 23 May 2003 and 18th of June 2003**
- **Middle term evolution**
  - March 2006, Pléiades like data 0,70 et 2.8 m
  - March 2008, Kompsat data, 1 m, 4m

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## Clearing activities recognition and monitoring

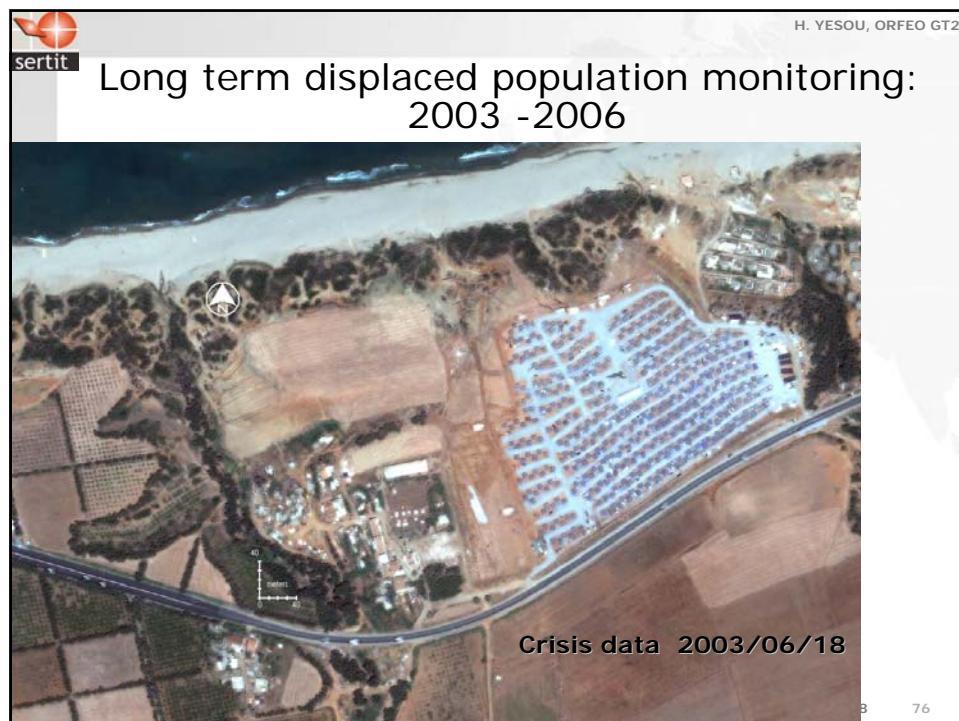


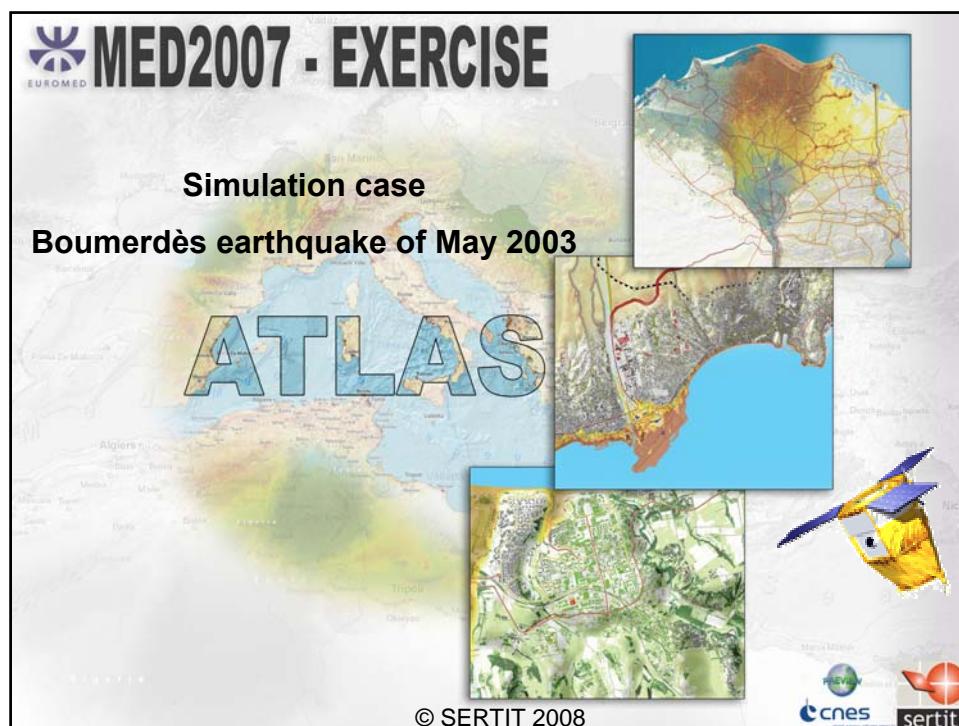
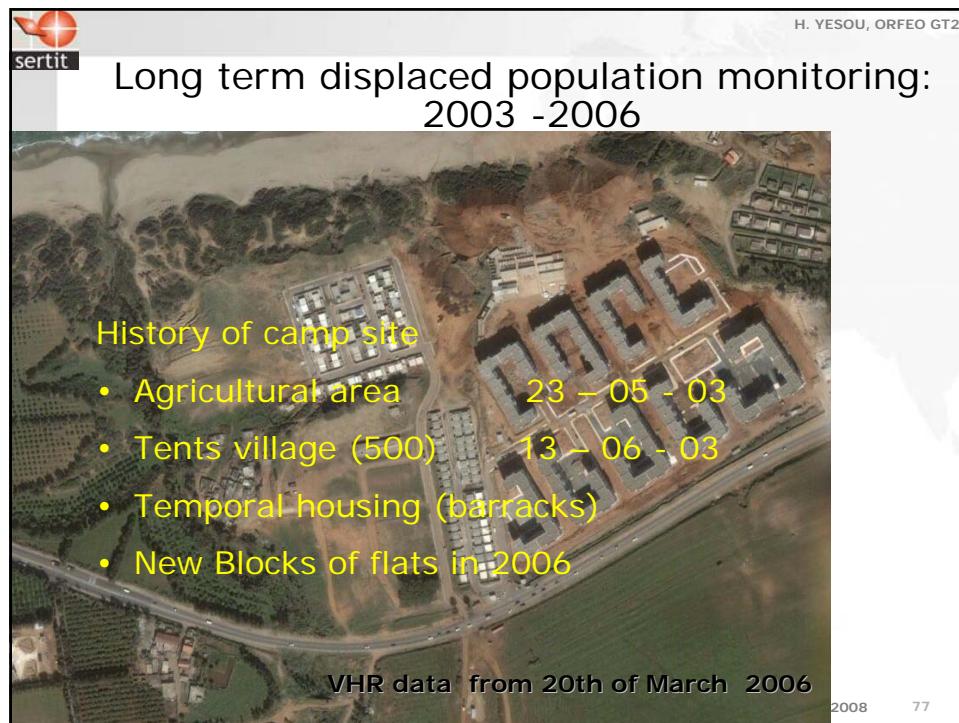
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