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Title: "TROPOMI: The Next Big Thing in Atmospheric Trace Gas Measurements"

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Abstract:

The Dutch Tropospheric Monitoring Instrument (TROPOMI) is the single instrument on board the ESA Copernicus Sentinel-5 Precursor satellite, which was launched in October 2017. TROPOMI is a nadir-viewing imaging spectrometer with bands in the ultraviolet, visible, the near and shortwave infrared (SWIR) bands. TROPOMI is designed to measure the atmospheric trace gases including tropospheric pollutants like CO, O3, NO2, HCHO and SO2, and two major greenhouse gases CH4 and tropospheric O3, and parameters of aerosols (scattering, absorption, etc.).

TROPOMI is currently providing a wealth of observations with anunprecedented combination of accuracy, spatial resolution and coverage. In this talk, I will show some interesting results TROPOMI observations have already produced, with a focus on CH4 and CO, the two major gases that are at the centre of TROPOMI activities at SRON Netherlands Institute for Space Research.