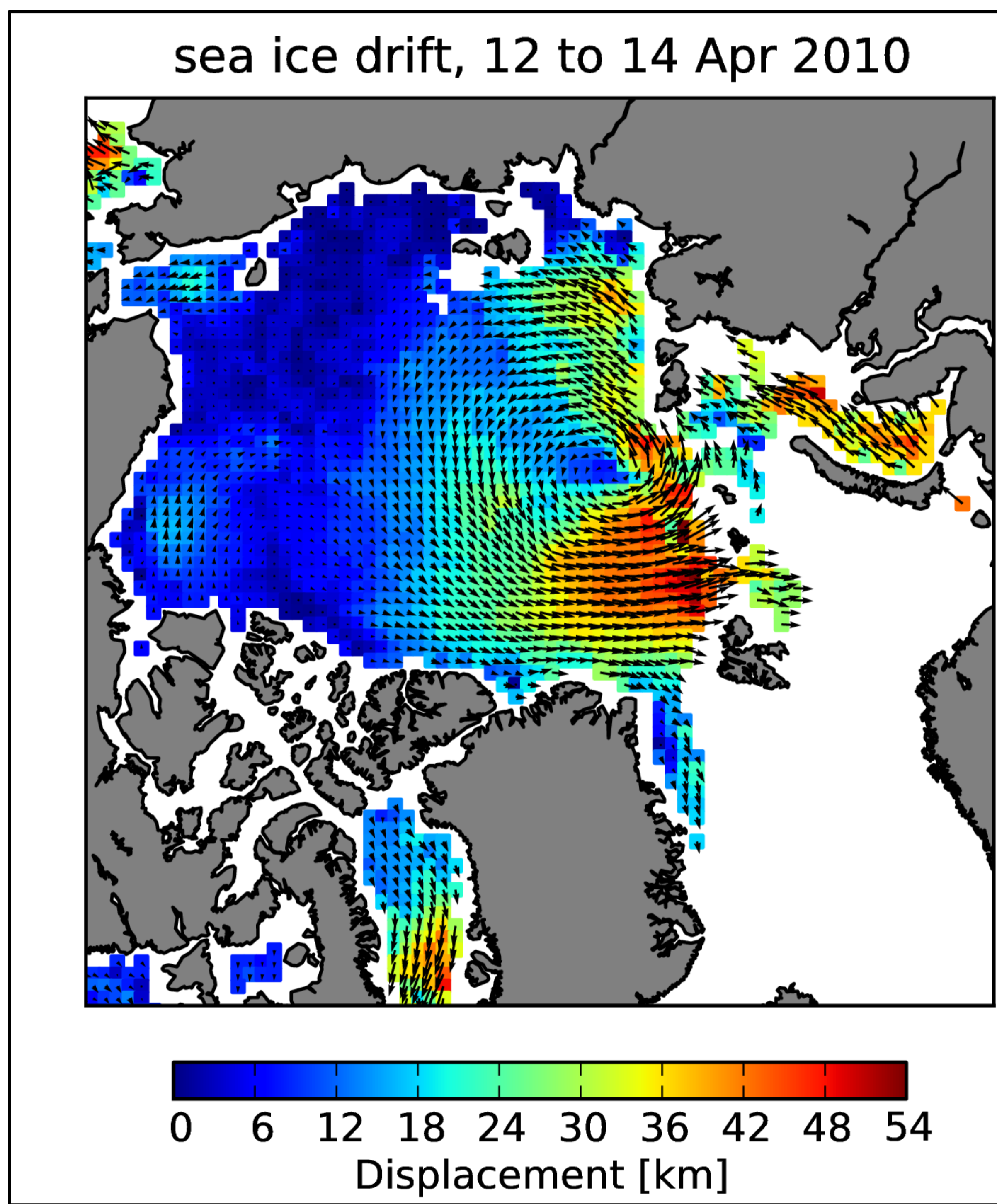
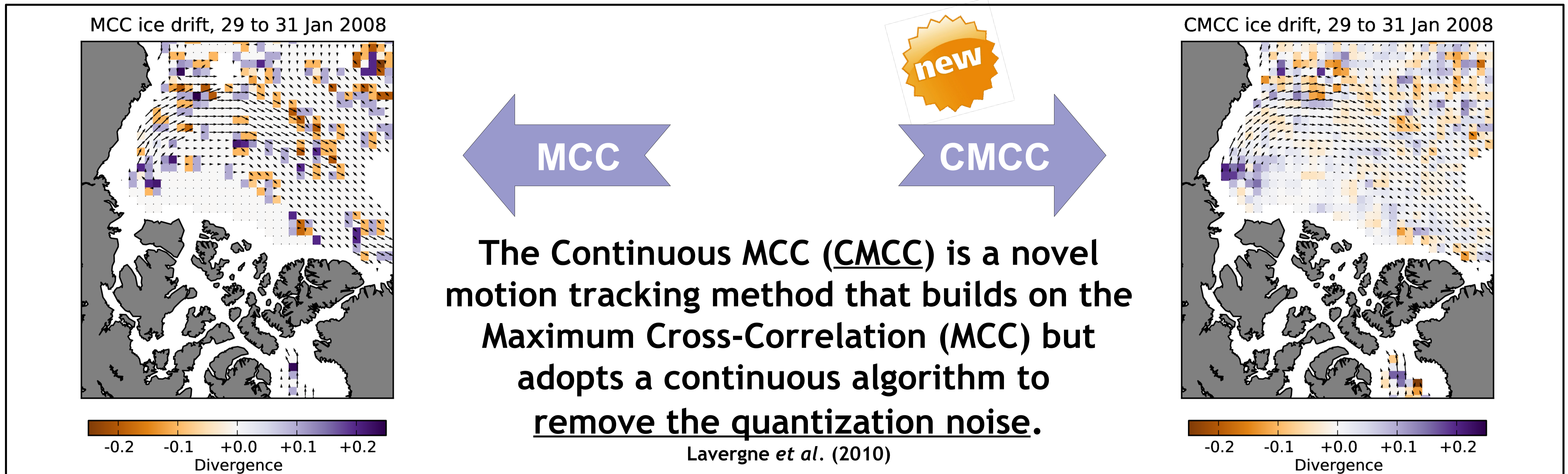
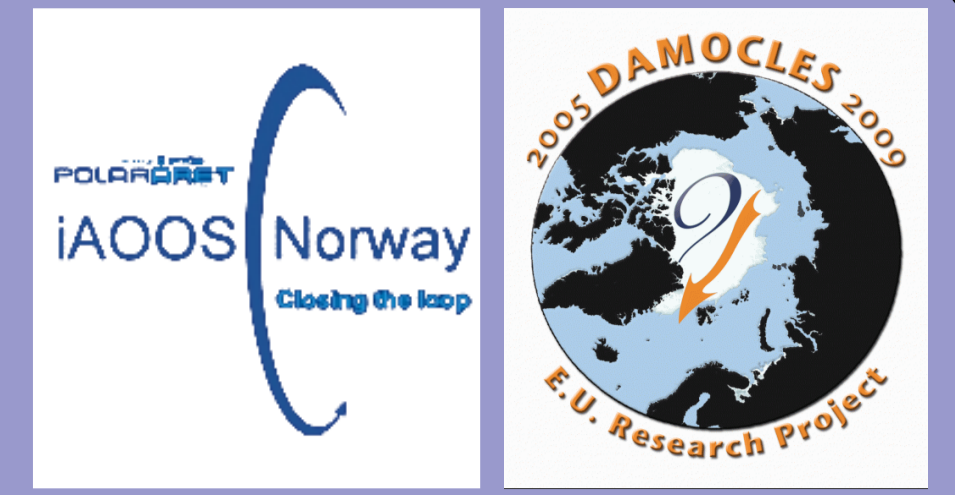


# Sea ice motion from space

An alternative method and its validation in the Arctic

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An operational processing chain that delivers near-real-time ice drift products is installed at EUMETSAT OSI SAF<sup>1</sup>

**Product specifications:**

- ❑ 2-day ice motion maps
- ❑ Available daily (October throughout April)
- ❑ Polar Stereographic, 62.5 km spacing
- ❑ AMSR-E, SSM/I, ASCAT products + Merged (multi-sensor) daily analysis
- ❑ Northern Hemisphere
- ❑ Validated against GPS trajectories

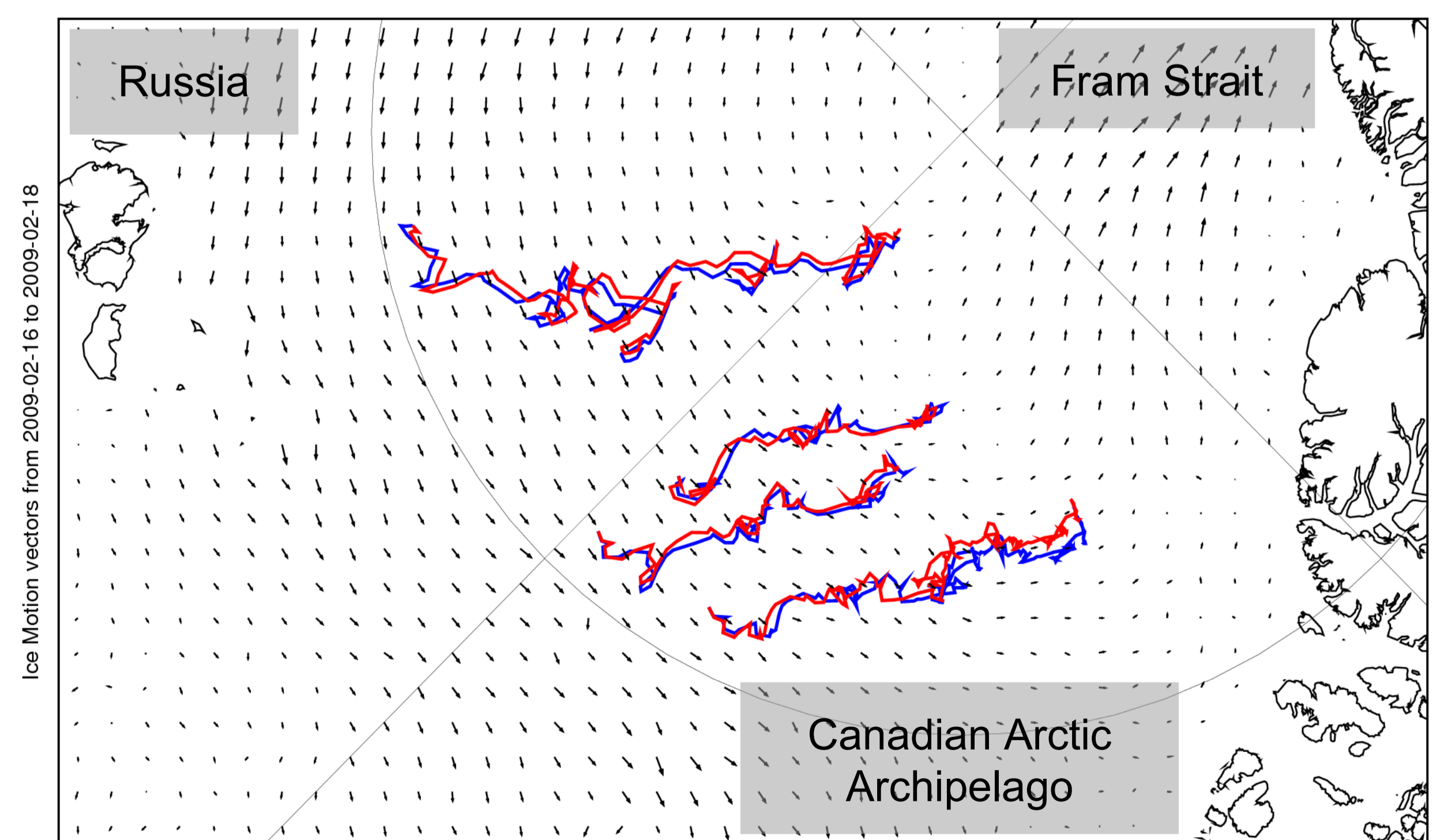
1: EUMETSAT Ocean and Sea Ice Satellite Application Facility



**Validation against GPS drifters:**

Trajectories of 6 ITP<sup>2</sup> (red) and associated Lagrangian displacements from the 2-day OSI SAF sea ice drift products (blue). Trajectories are from October 2008 throughout March 2009 (6 months).

2: Ice Tethered Profilers (Acknowledgment: Woods Hole Ocean. Inst. for distributing ITP data.



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