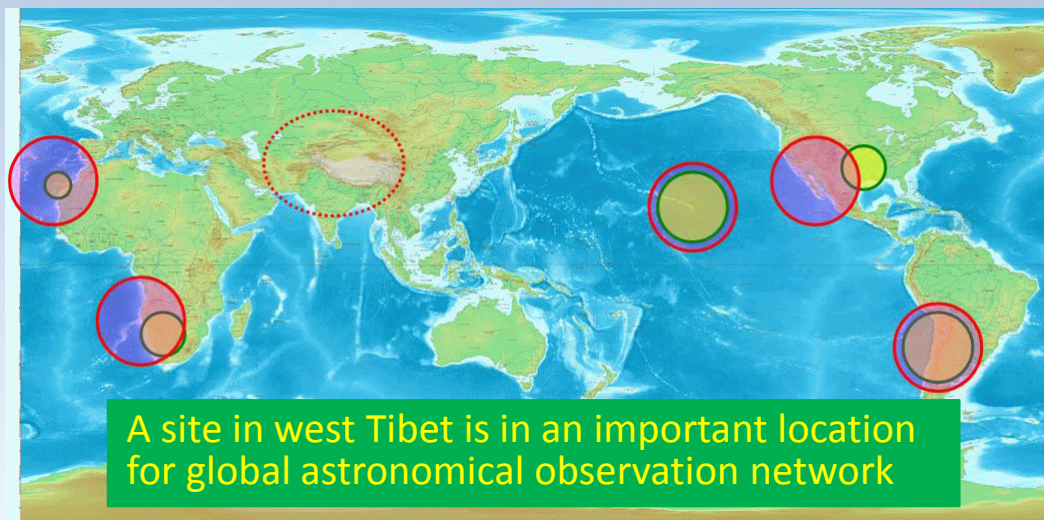


A China-Japan Collaborative Site Survey in west Tibet Sky clearness at Oma, Tibet

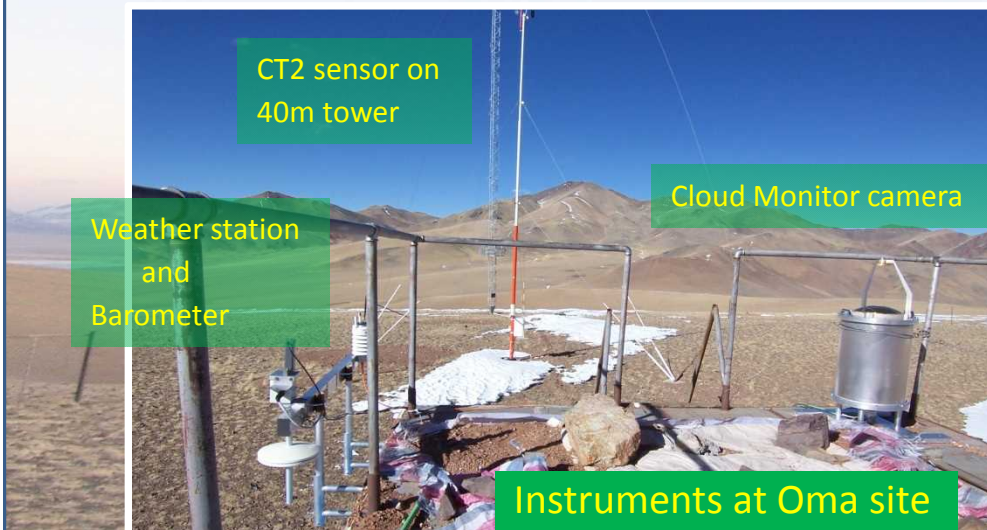
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A site in west Tibet is in an important location for global astronomical observation network



sites in west China; Karasu and Oma

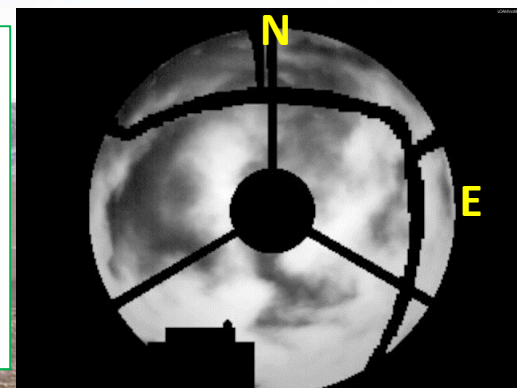
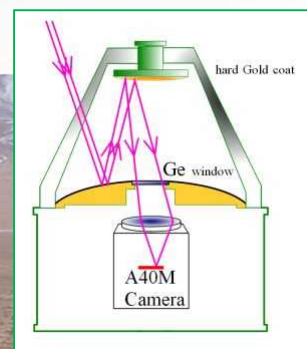


CT2 sensor on 40m tower

Weather station and Barometer

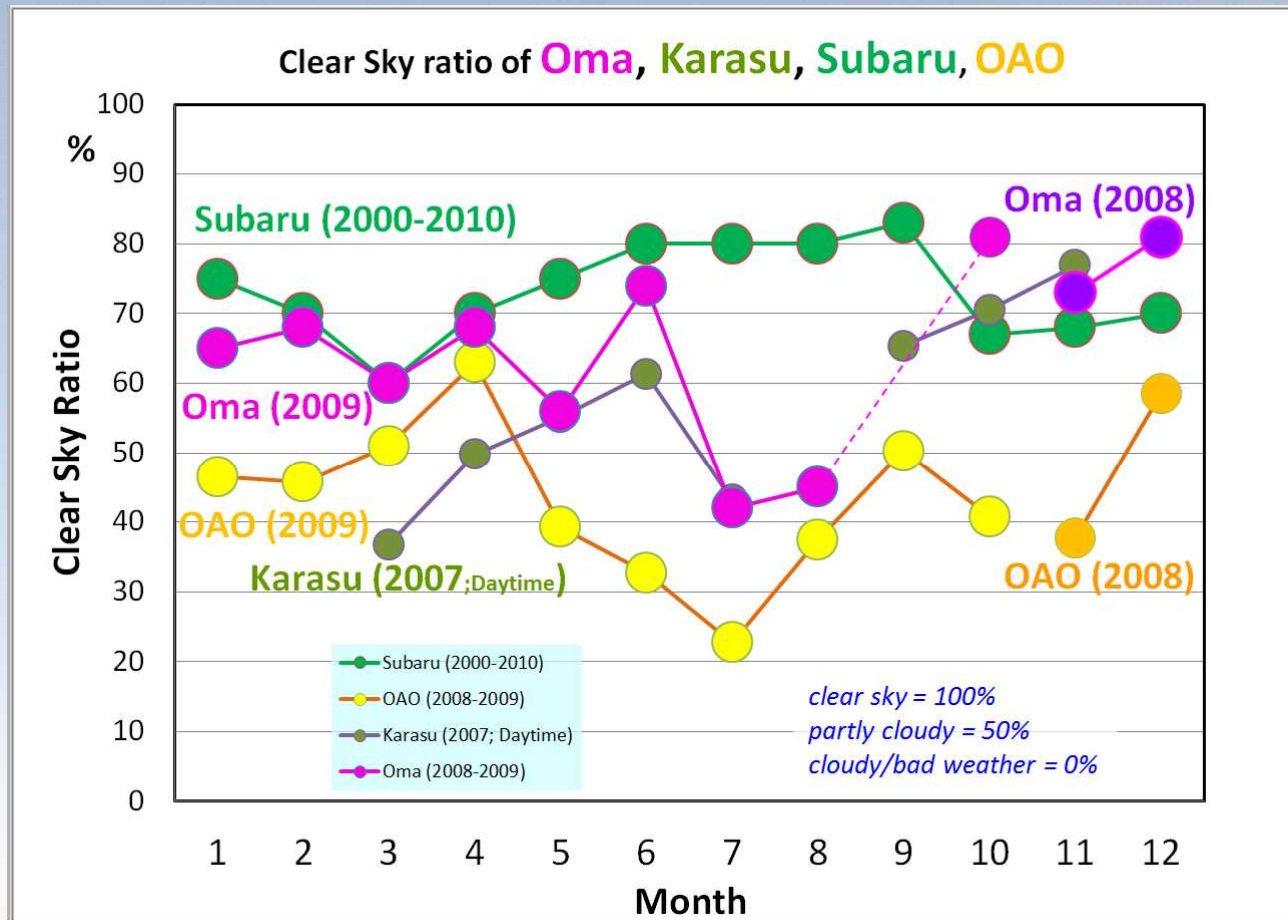
Cloud Monitor camera

Instruments at Oma site



Sky image taken w/ Cloud Monitor

(slide#2)



Clear sky ratios at Oma, except summer monsoon season, are around 70%, which are comparable to at Mauna Kea, Hawaii, and much better than at Okayama, Japan.