

Status of the **SCIAMACHY Instrument**

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History

- Quasi-nominal operations since August 2002
- Remaining SODAP activities in December 2002
- Since 14 December 2002 final flight settings
- Extended decontamination period around new year
- From January 2003 on mainly nominal operations
(alternating limb/nadir scenario)
- Deviations from nominal operations only possible via formal OCRs
(= Operations Change Requests)
- Up to now 10 OCRs, mostly completed
- Only short interruption of nominal operations due to special measurements (max. 1 day)
- Timing of special measurements considers validation activities
- Actual status information on SOST web site:
<http://atmos.af.op.dlr.de/projects/scops/>



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Data Quality History 2002 (1)

- Periods of reduced data quality Aug – Nov 2002 (during quasi-nominal operations):
 - **28-31 August 2002:**
Recovery from Heater/Refuse (HTR/RF);
Reason: Single Event Upset (SEU)
 - **8-13 September 2002:**
ENVISAT Orbit Control Manoeuvre (OCM) & Payload Management Computer (PMC) s/w patch
 - **24 October 2002** (only 1 timeline):
SCIAMACHY ICU patch (Ancillary Macrocommand CCA check error)
 - **17-18 November 2002:**
Flash decontamination
 - **18-20 November 2002:**
ENVISAT switch-off because of Leonids meteor shower and Power Mechanism and Thermal Control Unit (PMTC) s/w patch

Only unplanned event!



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Data Quality History 2002 (2)

- Periods of reduced data quality Nov – Dec 2002 (during non-nominal operations due to remaining SODAP activities):
 - 30 November - 2 December 2002:
Recovery from Heater/Refuse (HTR/RF); Reason: Wrong parameter settings
 - 4 December 2002:
Recovery from Heater/Refuse (HTR/RF); Reason: Wrong parameter settings
 - 12 – 13 December 2002:
Recovery from Heater/Refuse (HTR/RF); Reason: Wrong parameter settings
 - 17 December 2003 – 4 January 2003:
Non-nominal decontamination
- From 2003 on data quality history tabled on SOST web site



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Data Quality History 2003

Orbit		UTC		Event Reason
Start	Stop	Start	Stop	
4380	4428	01-JAN-2003 01:29:18	04-JAN-2003 11:25:42	non-nominal decontamination
4428	4479	04-JAN-2003 11:25:42	07-JAN-2003 23:28:35	recovery from HTR/RF <i>SET (Single Event Transient) in PMTC (Power Mechanism & Thermal Control Unit) / ASM (Azimuth Scan Mechanism) electronics</i>
5034	5086	15-FEB-2003 19:15:23	19-FEB-2003 09:12:04	recovery from R/W WAIT “usual” CCA Check Error
5099	5152	20-FEB-2003 07:27:06	23-FEB-2003 23:51:35	recovery from STANDBY; monthly cal. lost <i>ENVISAT PMC (Payload Management Computer) problem</i>
5207	5212	27-FEB-2003 21:32:20	28-FEB-2003 06:08:06	Thermal Control (TC) re-adjustment (only channels 4 & 5 affected)
5426	5491	15-MAR-2003 04:20:54	19-MAR-2003 17:55:10	recovery from STANDBY <i>ENVISAT switch-off (probably cause by Artemis test)</i>
5502	5527	20-MAR-2003 10:57:34	22-MAR-2003 06:16:43	recovery from R/W WAIT CCA Check Error (<i>patch not loaded after last recovery</i>)
5718	5766	04-APR-2003 14:12:14	07-APR-2003 21:19:14	non-nominal decontamination
5764	5773	07-APR-2003 18:24:16	08-APR-2003 09:35:06	reduced data product quality <i>ENVISAT HSM (High Speed Multiplexer) anomalies</i>
5887	5894	16-APR-2003 09:32:01	16-APR-2003 19:55:53	Thermal Control (TC) re-adjustment (only channels 4 & 5 affected)
6301	6308	15-MAY-2003 07:37:00	15-MAY-2003 18:03:47	Thermal Control (TC) re-adjustment (only channels 4 & 5 affected)
6384	6449	21-MAY-2003 02:46:18	25-MAY-2003 15:00:00	non-nominal decontamination



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Instrument Performance Monitoring

- Operational instrument monitoring activities currently limited by Level 1 data product quality and availability
- Performance monitoring has been started based on uncalibrated (Level 0) data using own calibration routines
- Results are available for the different light paths:
 - Nadir: via ESM mirror (subsolar port)
 - Limb/occultation: via ASM & ESM mirror
 - Calibration : via ASM mirror & ESM diffuser
 - Additionally: White Light Source (WLS) via ESM mirror
 - Note: Monitoring of ASM diffuser light path not possible because of missing radiometric calibration
- Reference: 2 August 2002 (except for subsolar)

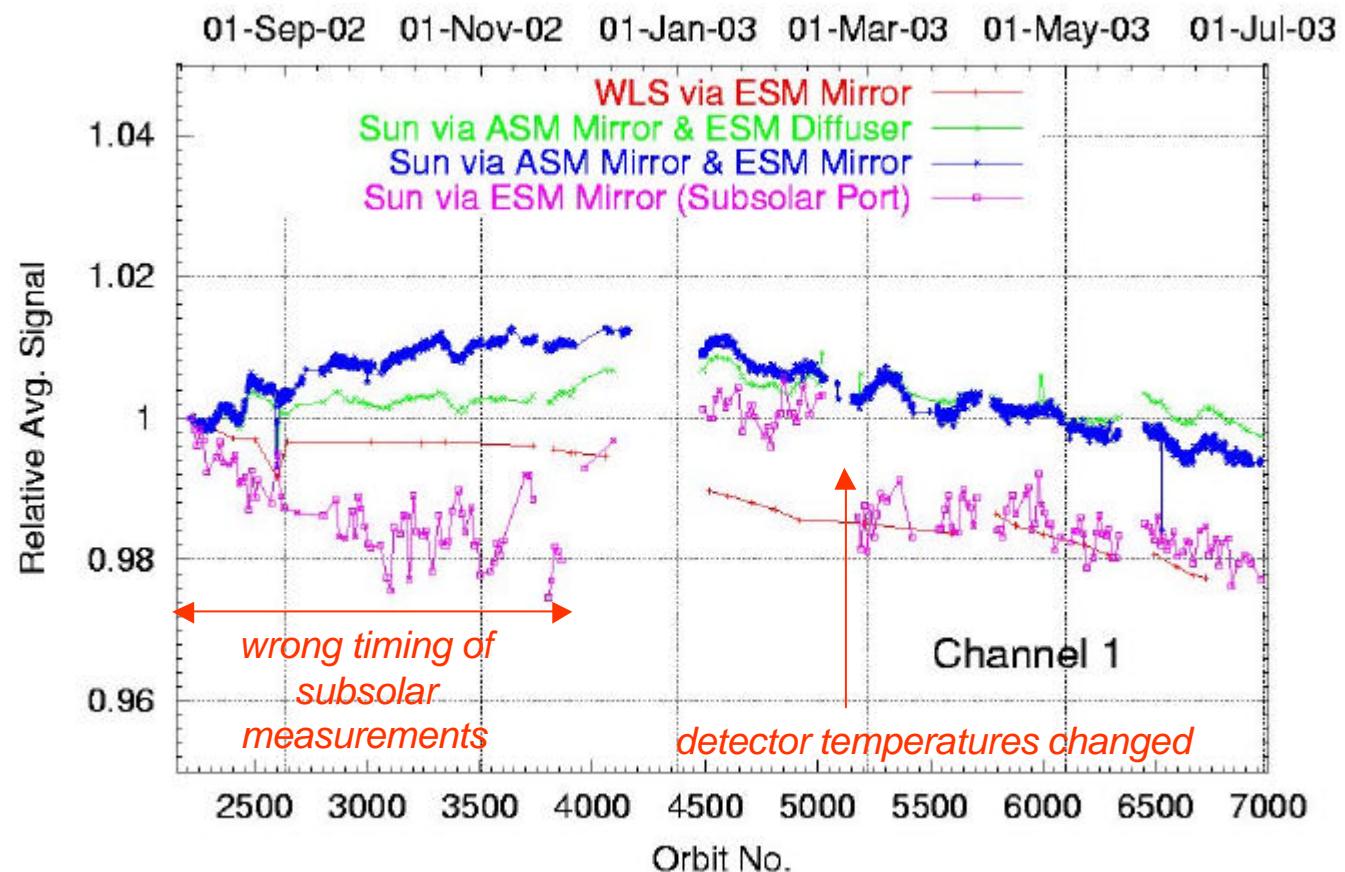


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Light Path Monitoring Ch. 1

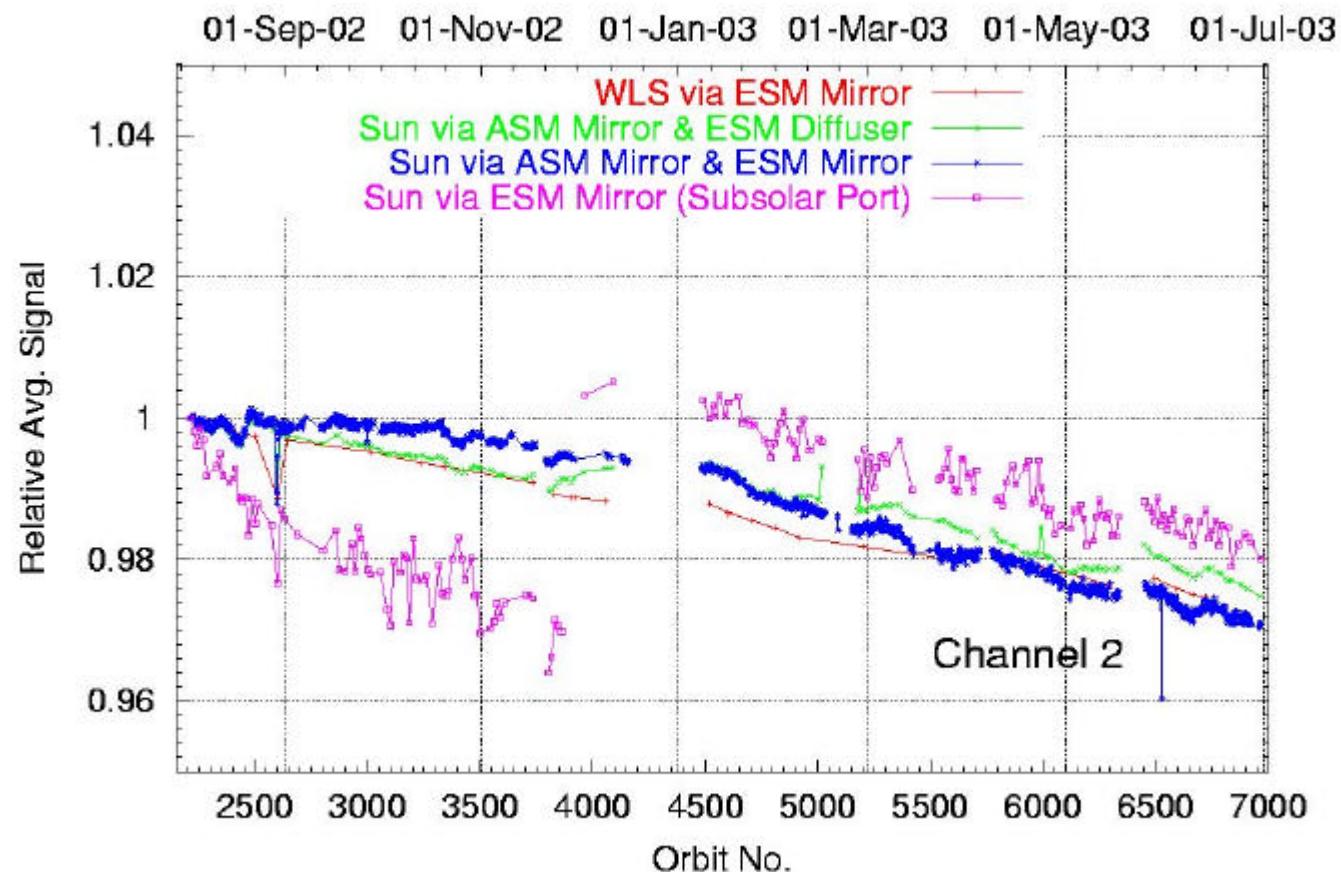


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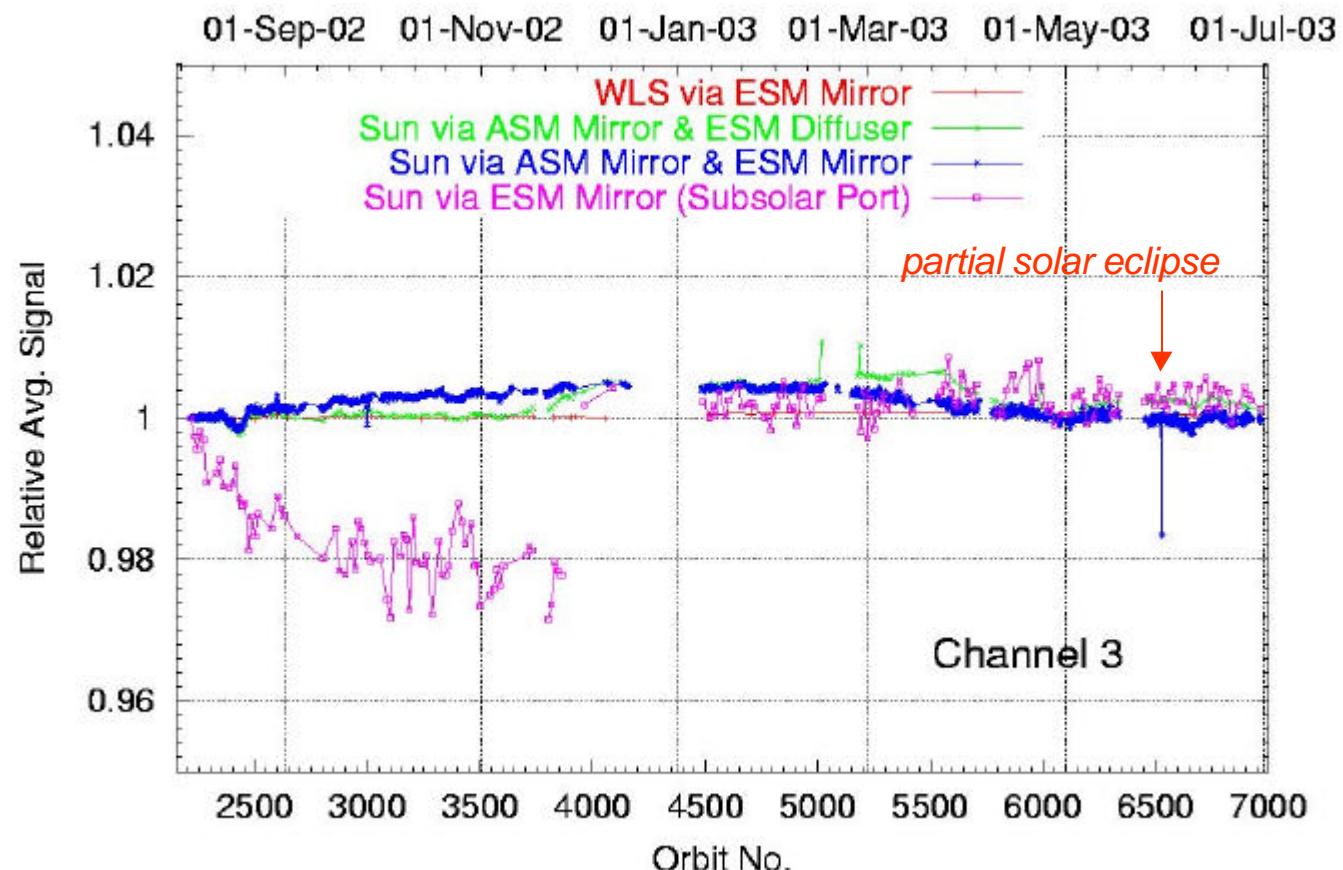


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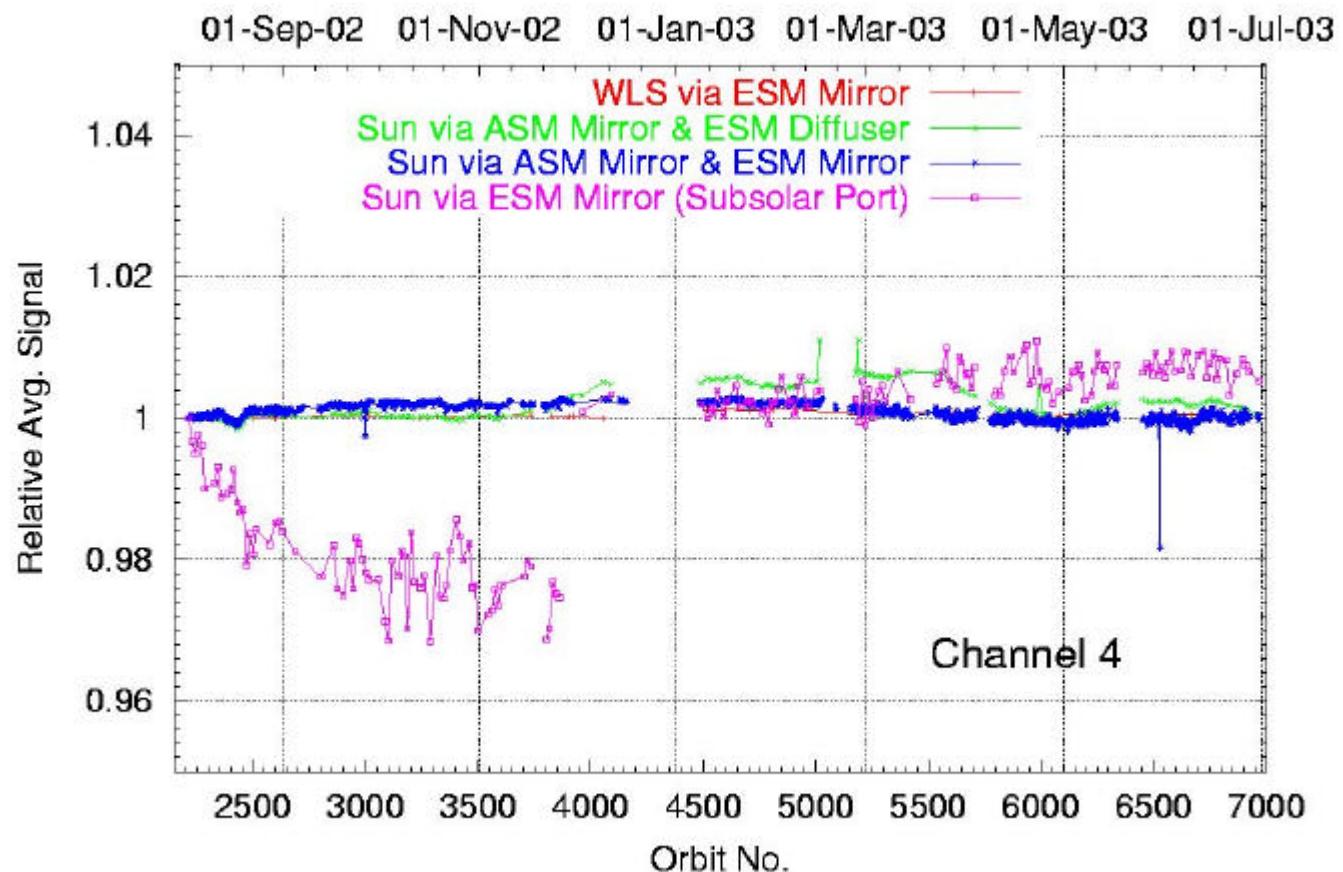


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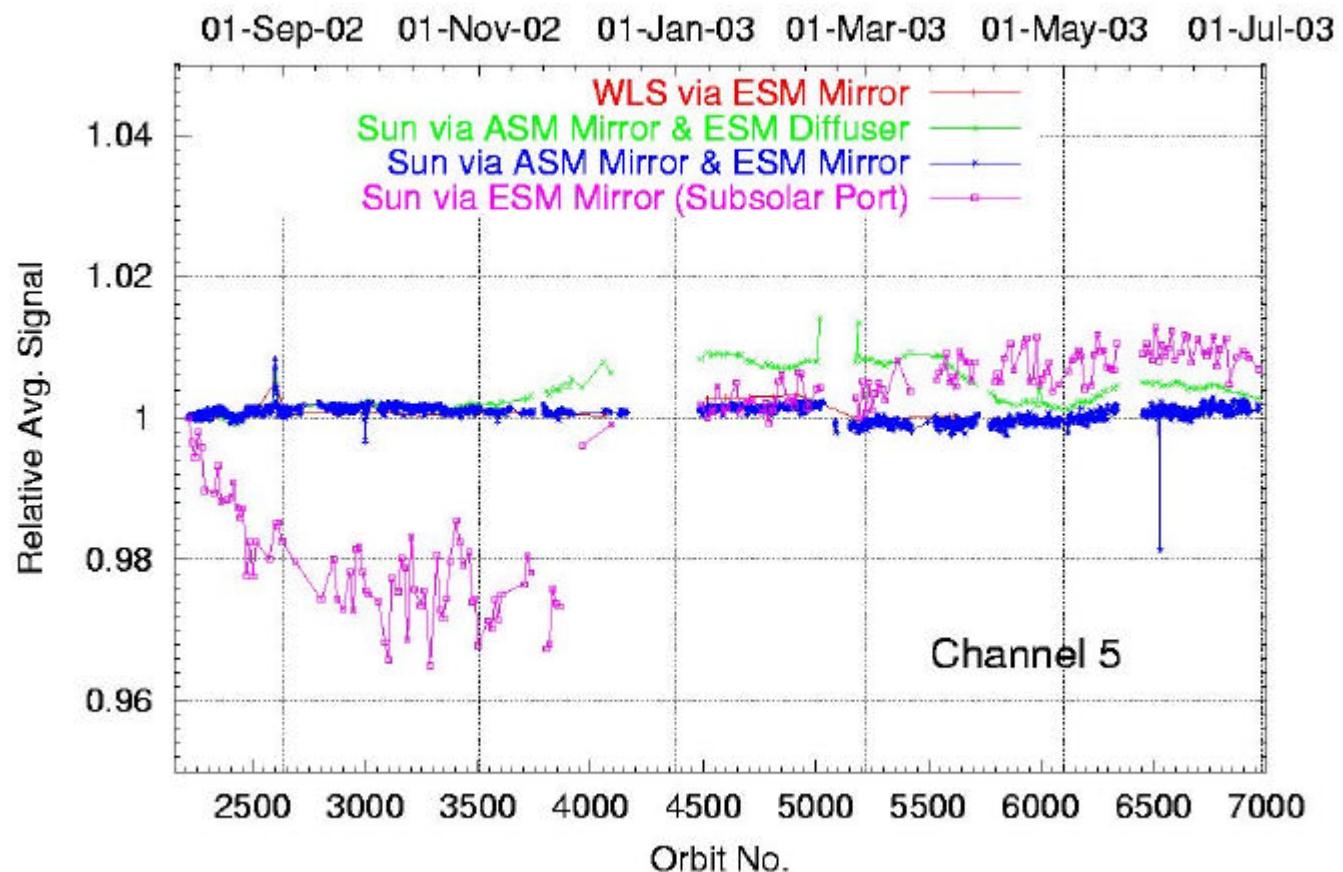


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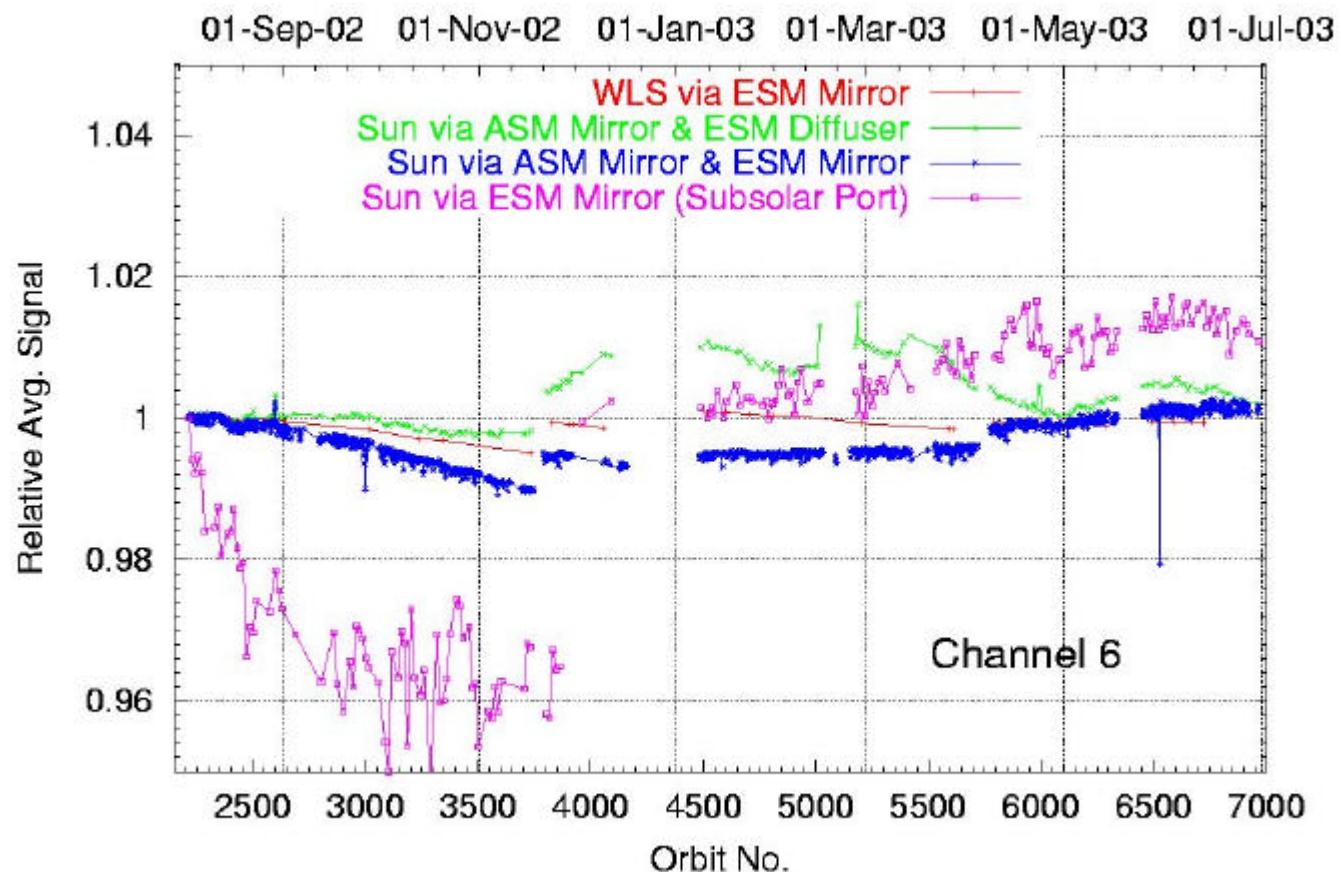


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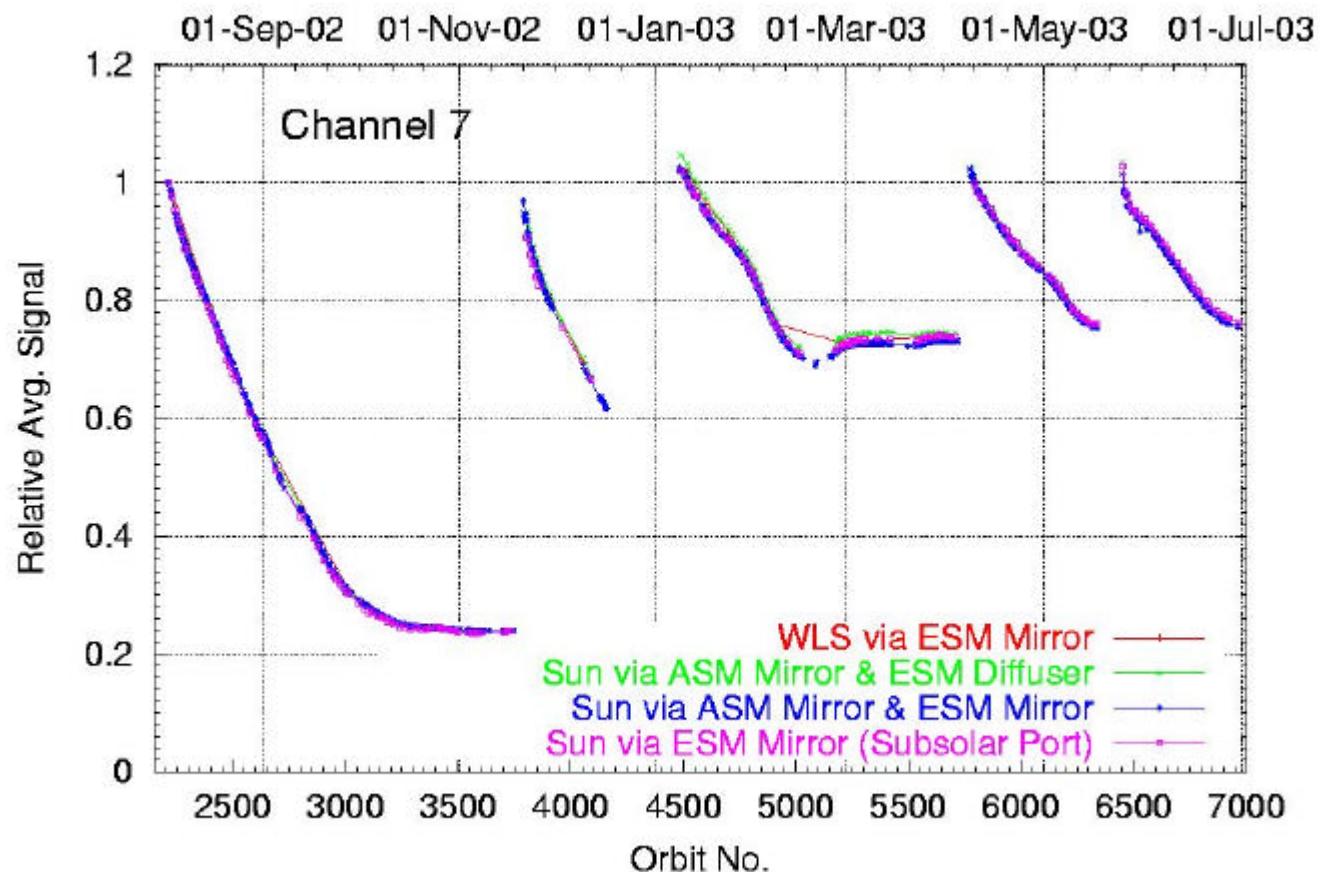


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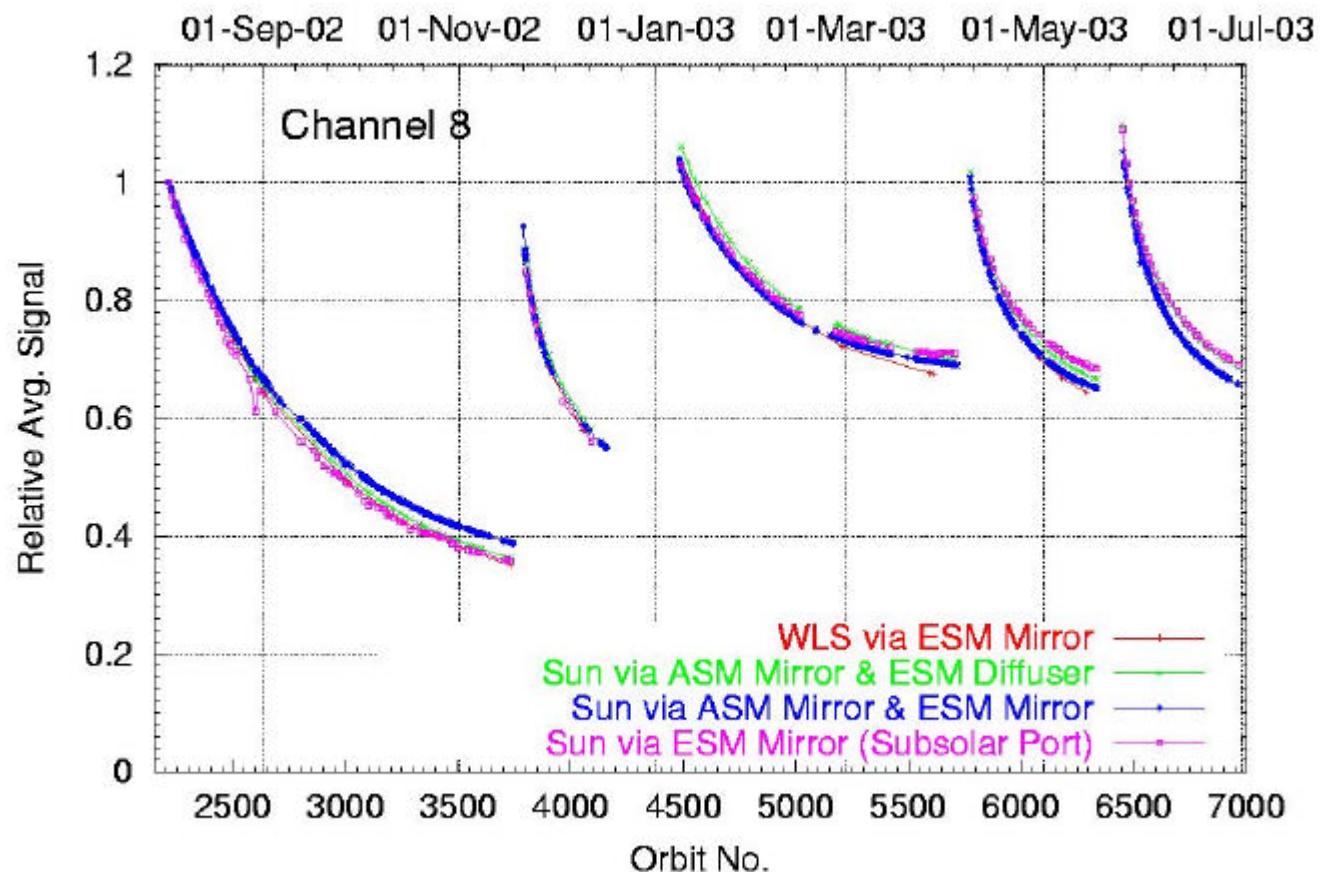


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First Performance Monitoring Results

- Instrument seems to be radiometricly very stable
- Exception: Icing in channels 7 & 8:
 - Handled by regular decontaminations; frequency and duration currently under discussion
 - Throughput correction in 0-1b processing foreseen (part of Master Plan activities)
- Reason for small transmission decrease in channel 2 (but not channel 1!) still unknown (external straylight?)
- Science channel light path monitoring is operational; actual results on SOST and IFE web site.
- PMD monitoring has just started:
 - Limb/Occultation and WLS results look reasonable
 - No severe PMD degradation (at least < 1%)
 - Monitoring problems with lunar and subsolar measurements
 - Update of monitoring concept may be required



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Summary

- The SCIAMACHY instrument is generally in good shape
- Main problem: Throughput loss due to icing in IR channels
- Other open issues:
 - Tangent height anomaly
 - External straylight in limb
 - Possible light leak in channel 7



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