

Carbon Mapper

Locating, Quantifying, and Tracking Methane & CO2 from Air & Space

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Carbon Mapper is a nonprofit focused on making methane and CO₂ data actionable and accessible

Our mission is to help drive the world toward direct, comprehensive, transparent global GHG monitoring to facilitate science-based decision-making and reduce GHG emissions



- Filling data gaps on methane and carbon dioxide emissions by delivering data that is precise, timely, and accessible through our free and open data portal
- Advancing scientific understanding of super-emitters at the point-source level and the research and development of remote sensing tools that enable this
- **Supporting strong policy and regulatory actions** that incorporate the development and adoption of remote sensing capabilities to tackle emissions and that enhance monitoring and measurement of GHG emissions
- Collaborating with industry, nonprofits, and other stakeholders to develop and support emission mitigation solutions based on science



To achieve these goals, we work with a broad coalition of partners to deploy **satellites and aircraft** equipped with high performance visible/infrared imaging spectrometers with the ability to **identify, quantify and attribute global methane and CO**₂ **point-source emissions at the scale of individual facilities**.

Carbon Mapper Remote Sensing Technology: Global Observations at Facility Scale



Over 9,000+ methane plumes detected by aircraft and NASA's EMIT instrument available now on <u>https://data.carbonmapper.org</u> Global satellite coverage beginning in 2024 with the Carbon Mapper Coalition / Planet Tanager satellites



Emerging system of systems for methane & CO₂ monitoring

- Many use-cases for GHG monitoring & mitigation
 - Local mitigation guidance (point sources)
 - Improving GHG inventories
 - Trending mitigation progress
- No single measurement method can address all of these questions
- Observing systems & data products should be driven by stakeholder use-cases



Multi-tiered Observing System & Analytic Framework



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Carbon Mapper Coalition

- Public-private partnership to build and operate satellites
- Phase 1: Launch first 2 satellites in late 2023/early 2024
- Phase 2: Goal to expand full constellation to enable daily to bi-weekly monitoring
- Long term goal: Track 90% of high emitting CH₄ & CO₂ point sources at facility scale globally
- All quantitative CH₄ & CO₂ emissions data publicly available from Carbon Mapper within 90 days
- Rapid leak detection service from Planet
- Continuing airborne surveys prepare for and support satellites



Mission: Carbon Mapper, Methane Leak Detection Location: Permian Basin, Southwestern United States



Joint CH4 and CO2 point source quantification



Case Study: Shedding Light on Gulf of Mexico Offshore Oil & Gas

Methane emission from offshore platforms are significantly understudied compared to onshore. Carbon Mapper surveyed over 150 platforms in the Gulf of Mexico in 2021. We Identified examples of persistent venting, underwater emissions/ pipeline, and general process emissions.



Methane Point Source Emissions Quantification from Carbon Mapper multi-sensor data platform

AVIRIS-NG/GAO Sept 2019 - March 2023 EMIT Aug-Sept 2022; Jan-March 2023 N=8360 guantitative CH4 estimates, Min ~ 10 kg/hr N=202 quantitative CH4 estimates, Min ~ 400 kg/hr Sector Emission Rate (kg/hr) Oil and Gas 4000 8000 Waste **Electricity Generation** 12000 Coal 16000 Livestock 20000 Other