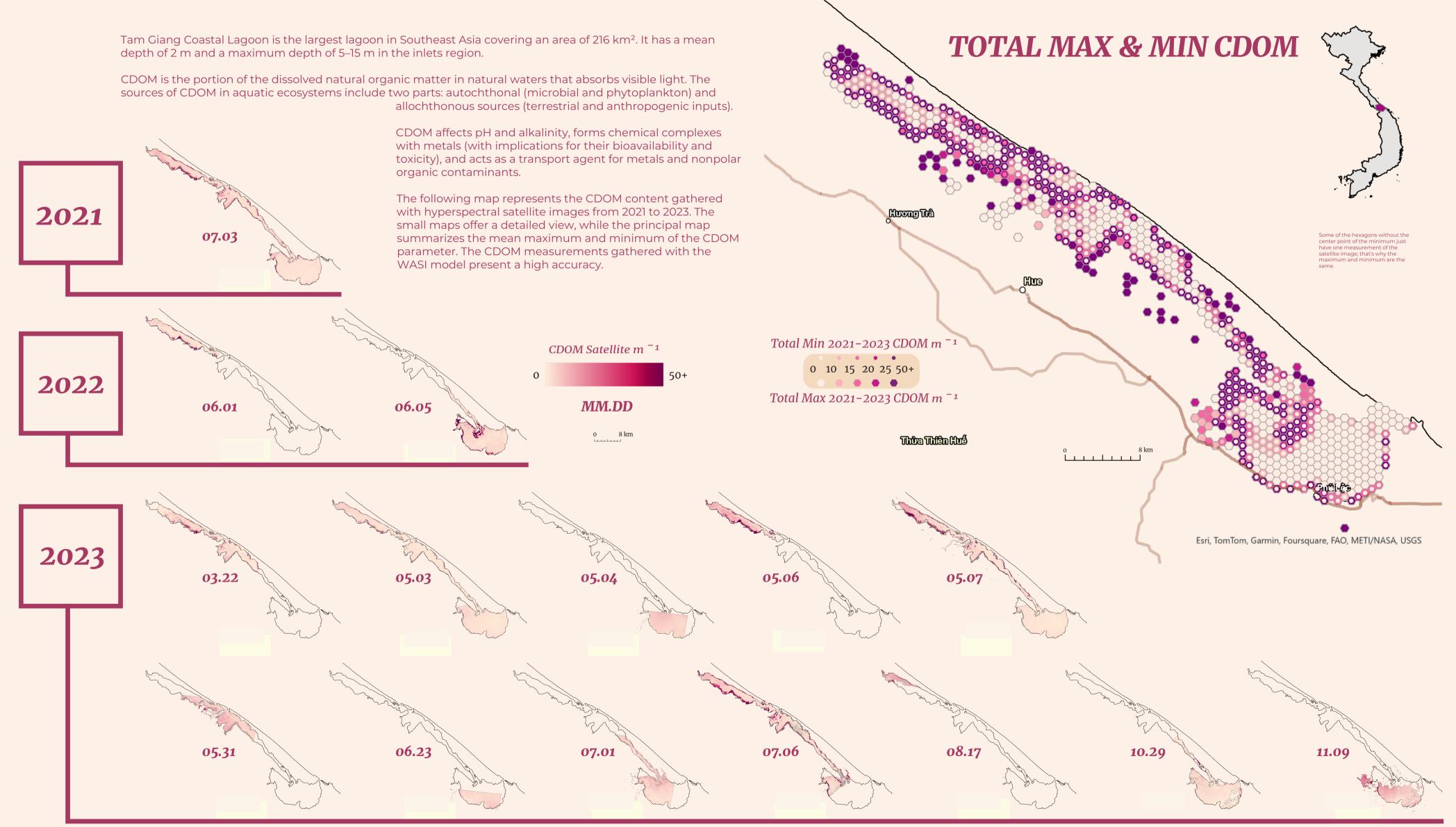


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Colored Dissolved Organic Mater (CDOM), Tam Giang Lagoon, Vietnam.

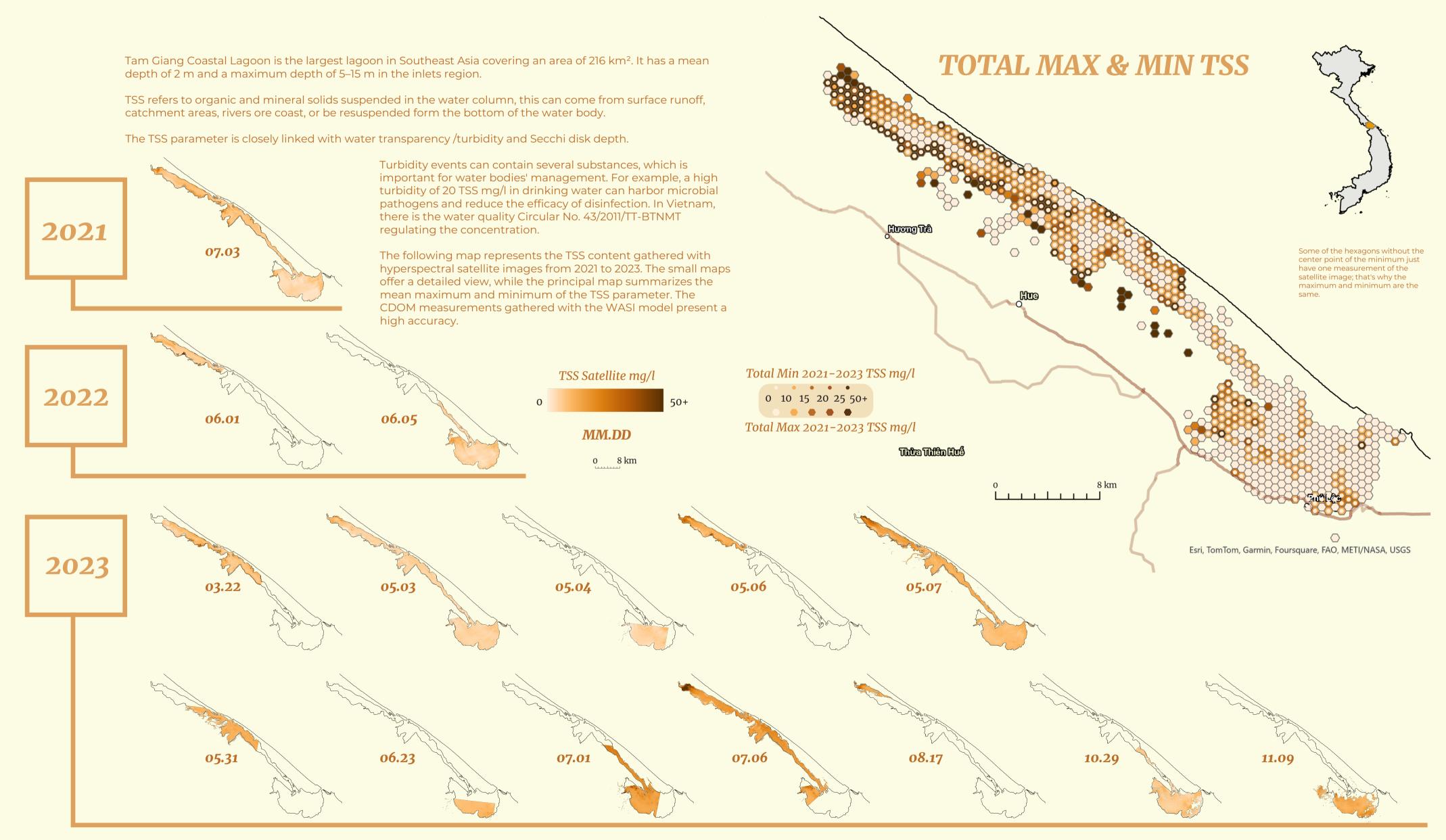




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Total Suspended Solids (TSS), Tam Giang Lagoon, Vietnam.

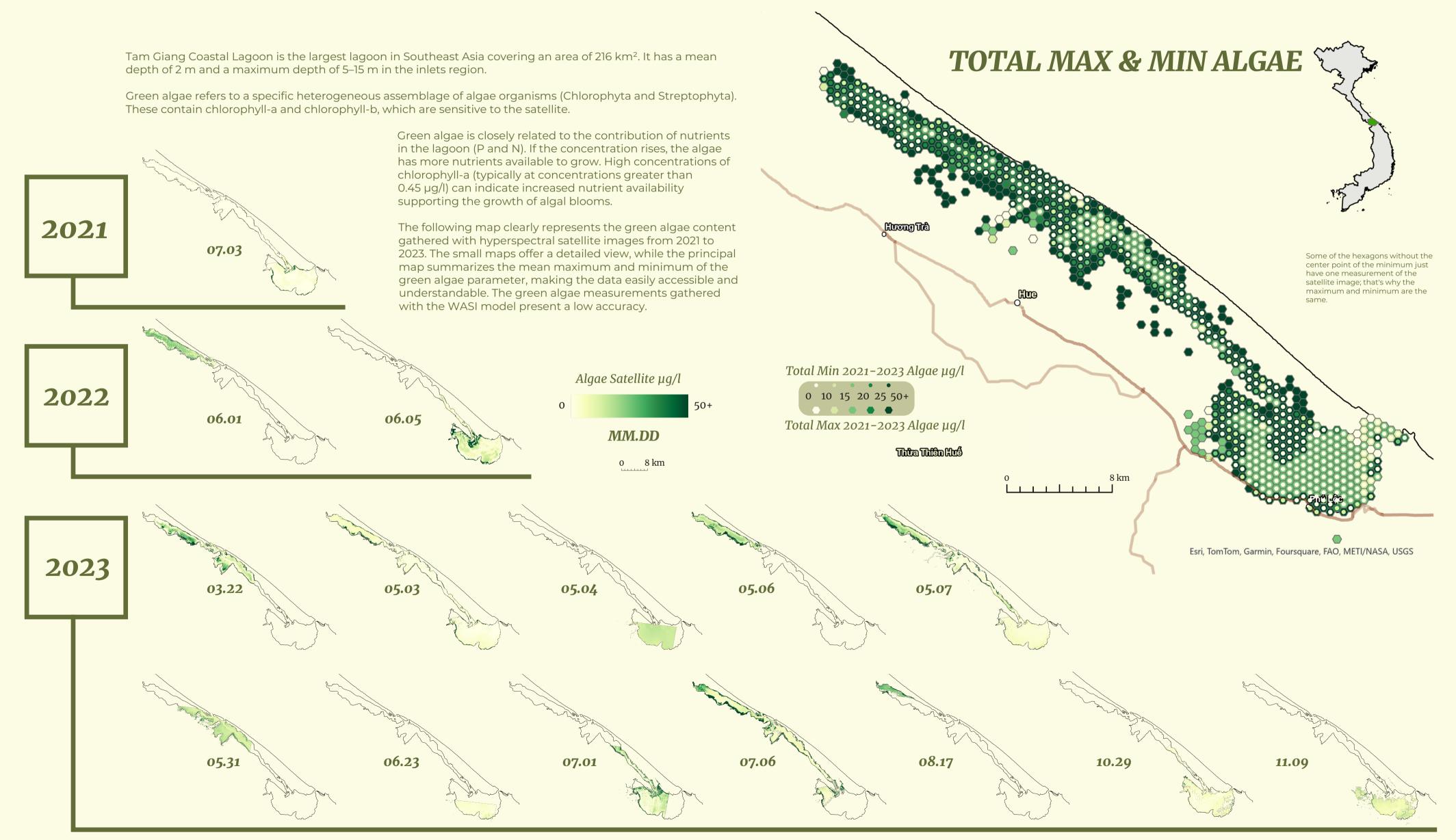




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Green Algae, Tam Giang Lagoon, Vietnam.



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Total Suspended Solids (TSS) and Colored Dissolved Organic Mater (CDOM), Tam Giang Lagoon, Vietnam 2021–2023.

Tam Giang Coastal Lagoon is the largest lagoon in Southeast Asia covering an area of 216 km2. It has a mean depth of 2 m and a maximum depth of 5-15 m in the inlets region.

TSS refers to organic and mineral solids suspended in the water column. These can come from surface runoff, catchment areas, rivers, or the coast or be resuspended from the bottom of the water body.

The TSS parameter is closely linked with water transparency/turbidity and Secchi disk depth. Turbidity events can contain several substances important for water bodies' management. For example, a high turbidity of 20 TSS mg/l in drinking water can harbor microbial pathogens and reduce the efficacy of disinfection. In Vietnam, the water quality Circular No. 43/2011/TT-BTNMT regulates the concentration.

CDOM is the portion of dissolved organic matter in natural waters that absorbs visible light. The sources of CDOM in aquatic ecosystems include two parts: autochthonal (microbial and phytoplankton) and allochthonous sources (terrestrial and anthropogenic inputs).

CDOM affects pH and alkalinity, forms chemical complexes with metals (with implications for their bioavailability and toxicity), and acts as a transport agent for metals and nonpolar organic contaminants.

The following map represents the TSS and CDOM content gathered with hyperspectral satellite images from 2021 to 2023. The small maps offer a detailed view of the two contents simultaneously, while the bar charts indicate the distribution of values of the satellite images in hexagons. The TSS and CDOM measurements gathered with the WASI model present a high accuracy.

