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lonized trails from meteors can reflect radio signals at frequencies in the LOFAR bands. This appears in CS1 data as short (100 ms) bursts of signal from a distant transmitter.

One application of this effect is in communications. For example, "Radio Burst Communications" is a way of transmitting information to/from areas that are not served by satellites.

Wikipedia article

List of TV frequencies

New article about military efforts

Page of company selling communications services

LOFAR

LOFAR may benefit from thinking of these transient signals as more than RFI. Early investigations are described in a presentation at an August CS1 meeting.

Some work ongoing on using reflected RFI to study transient phenomena, such as GRBs.

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