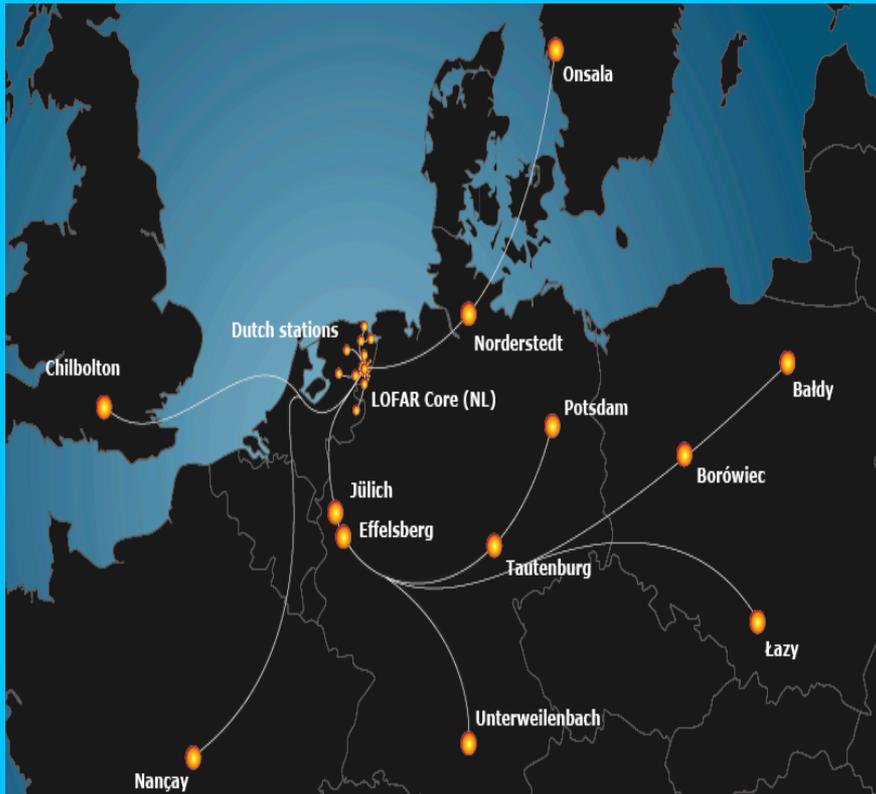


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Array Status

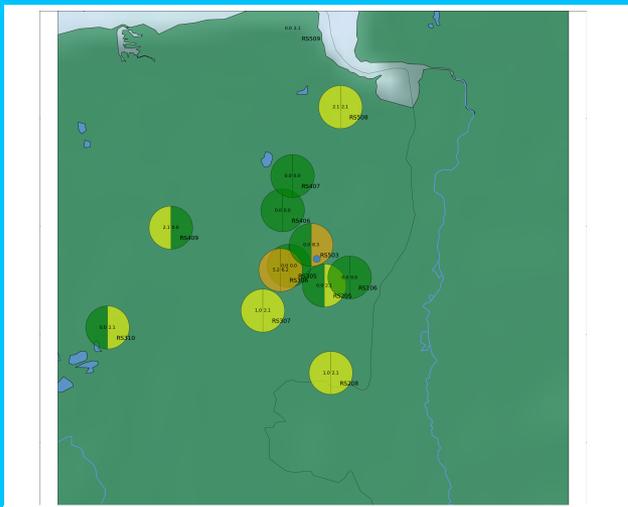
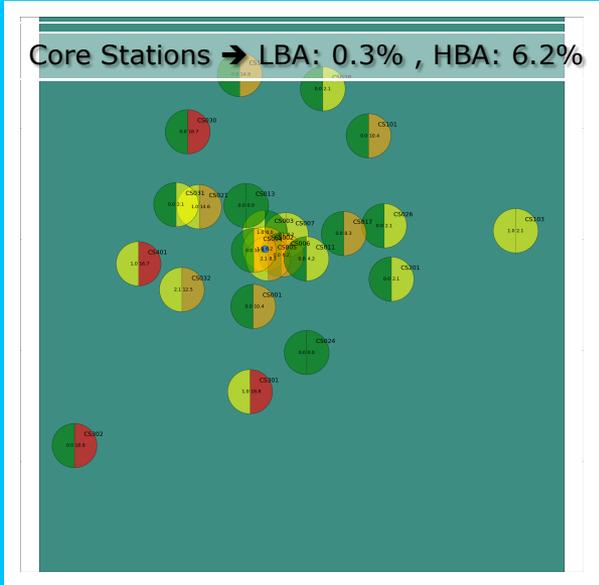
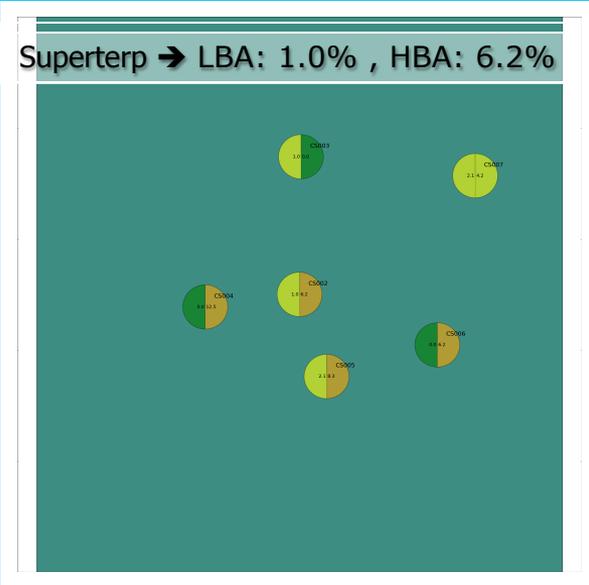
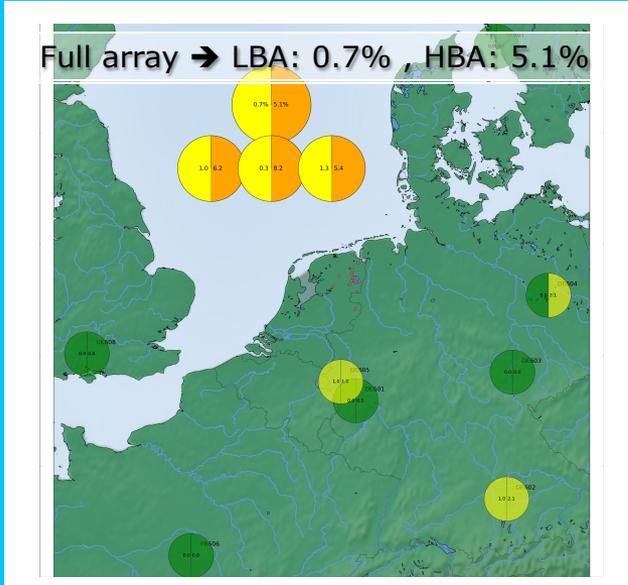


- 47 operational stations
 - 24 CSs
 - 14 RSs
 - 9 Is
- 3 Polish stations: integration and calibration ongoing
- Irish station funded

Station / CEP issues

| Station | Issue | Occured | Fixed |
|---------------|--|---------|---------|
| CS006 | Clock problem | Dec. 11 | Dec. 14 |
| RS508 | Rubidium broken | | Dec. 14 |
| RS508 | Went to swlevel 0 | Jan. 4 | Jan 4. |
| RS409 | Rubidium broken | Dec. 20 | Jan. 7 |
| DE602 | No network connection | Jan. 12 | Jan. 15 |
| CS031 | GPS connection | Jan. 13 | Jan. 14 |
| Locus039 | Raid controller replaced | Jan 3. | Jan 11. |
| locus099 | Switched off, used for spare parts | Jan 11. | |
| CEP2 dataloss | Occasional dataloss because of too little locus nodes / simulteneous data copying for heavy observations | | |

ANTENNA ELEMENTS STATUS



Remote Stations → LBA: 1.3% , HBA: 5.4%

All operational
< 5% not operational
< 15% not operational
> 15% not operational

- Elements with modem errors now also disabled
- Current status available at

https://proxy.lofar.eu/array_status/

ANTENNA ELEMENTS STATUS

Core Stations → LBA: 0.3% , HBA: 6.2%

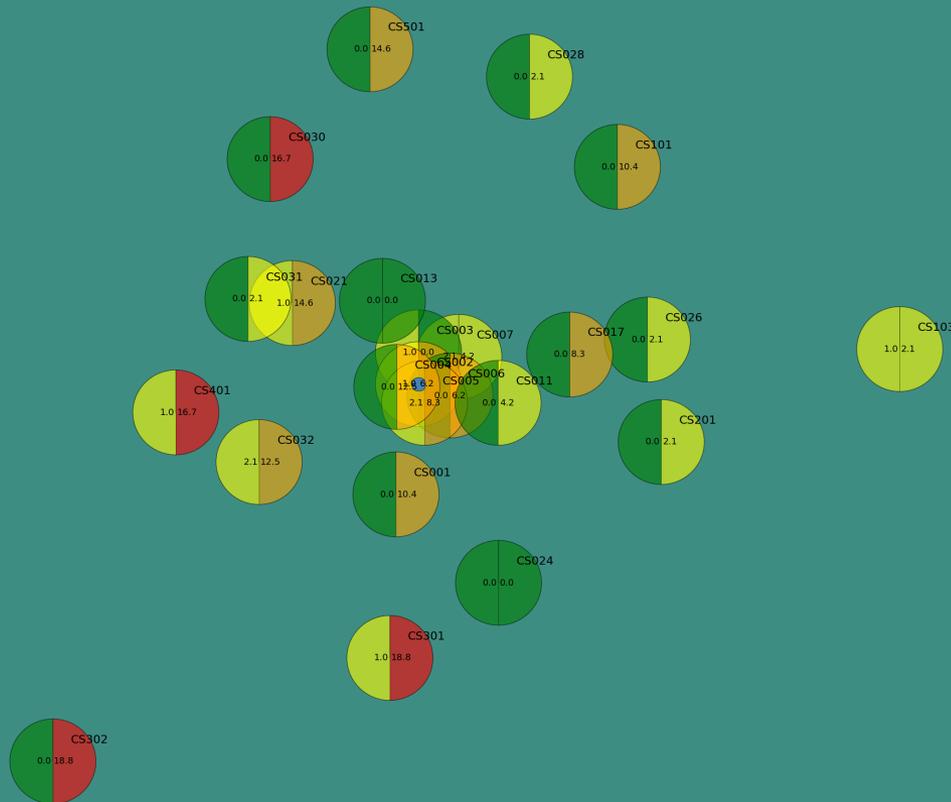
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CS030

CS401

CS301

CS302



STATION CALIBRATION

| Station | mode 1/2 | mode 3/4 | mode 5 | mode 6 | mode 7 | Station | mode 1/2 | mode 3/4 | mode 5 | mode 6 | mode 7 |
|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| CS001 | 23-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 19-02-15 | 23-12-15 | 11-02-15 | RS106 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 20-04-15 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 |
| CS002 | 23-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 11-02-14 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 | RS205 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 04-11-15 | 23-12-15 | 04-11-15 |
| CS003 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 11-02-14 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 | RS208 | 18-06-15 | 12-11-13 | 04-11-15 | 23-12-15 | 04-11-15 |
| CS004 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 11-02-14 | 23-12-15 | 19-02-15 | RS210 | 18-06-15 | 22-07-14 | 04-11-15 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 |
| CS005 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 11-02-14 | 23-12-15 | 19-02-15 | RS305 | 13-07-15 | 21-09-15 | 04-11-15 | 23-12-15 | 04-11-15 |
| CS006 | 18-06-15 | 13-07-15 | 11-02-14 | | 19-05-14 | RS306 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 04-11-15 | 23-12-15 | 04-11-15 |
| CS007 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 11-02-14 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 | RS307 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 04-11-15 | 23-12-15 | 04-11-15 |
| CS011 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 19-02-15 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 | RS310 | 18-06-15 | 22-07-14 | 04-11-15 | 23-12-15 | 19-02-15 |
| CS013 | 17-09-14 | 05-08-14 | 19-02-15 | 23-12-15 | 19-02-15 | RS406 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 04-11-15 | 23-12-15 | 04-11-15 |
| CS017 | 18-06-15 | 13-07-15 | 19-02-15 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 | RS407 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 21-09-15 | 23-12-15 | 04-11-15 |
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| CS024 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 19-02-15 | 23-12-15 | 19-05-14 | RS503 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 20-04-15 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 |
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| CS030 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 19-02-15 | 23-12-15 | 19-02-15 | DE601 | | 04-11-15 | 19-10-15 | 23-12-15 | 19-10-15 |
| CS031 | 20-09-12 | 05-08-14 | 19-02-15 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 | DE602 | | 13-07-15 | 20-04-15 | 23-12-15 | 24-08-15 |
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| CS401 | 18-06-15 | 15-10-12 | 19-02-15 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 | DE609 | | 03-04-15 | 21-09-15 | 23-12-15 | 21-09-15 |
| CS501 | 18-06-15 | 21-09-15 | 19-02-15 | 23-12-15 | 24-02-15 | | | | | | |

- Mode 3 data taken on Dec 30+31 on Dutch stations
- Mode 6 installed on most stations (23-12-15)
CS006 missing
- POL calibration ongoing
- Current status
<http://www.astron.nl/radio-observatory/astronomers/current-status>

LOFAR Science 2016

3rd LOFAR Users Meeting

LOFAR Community Science workshop

Technical Operations Meeting

4-7 April 2016, Zandvoort aan Zee, The Netherlands

Registration open:

<http://www.astron.nl/lofarscience2016/>

News regarding Cycle 5 observations



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| January | 20 | Wed | LT5_009 - 3C196 - 6hrs HBA | LC5_020 - 0.5 hr - HBA | TBB + test runs | System tests | LC5_019 - 4C38.41 - 4hrs HBA; | System tests | LC5_022 - LS1+61303 - 5hrs HBA - CEP3 - DO NOT MOVE!! | System tests | TBB + test runs | LT5_006 - 4C43.15 - 9hrs ALL-INT HBA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 21 | Thu | LT5_006 - 4C43.15 - 9hrs ALL-INT HBA | | | System tests | LC5_018 - J1614-2318 - 2hrs HBA | System tests | | TBB + test runs | LT5_004 - LOTAAS - 4hrs HBA | STATIONTEST | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 22 | Fri | LT5_007 - P184+40 - 8hrs HBA | | | System tests; all international stations switched to local mode at 9 UT | LT5_004 - LOTAAS - 2hrs HBA | System tests | LC5_022 - LS1+61303 - 5hrs HBA - CEP3 - DO NOT MOVE!! | System tests | LT5_009 - NCP - HBA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 23 | Sat | LT5_009 - NCP - HBA | | | TBB + test runs | | LT5_004 - LOTAAS - 4hrs HBA | | TBB + test runs | LT5_008 - 2M0716 - 6hrs HBA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 24 | Sun | LT5_008 - 2M0716 - 6hrs HBA | TBB + test runs | | LC5_018 - J1614-2318 - 2hrs HBA | TBB + test runs | | LC5_022 - LS1+61303 - 5hrs HBA - CEP3 - DO NOT MOVE!! | TBB + test runs | | LT5_009 - 3C196 - 6hrs HBA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Week 4 | | | UT | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| Approximate LST | | | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | |
| | 25 | Mon | LT5_009 - 3C196 - 6hrs HBA | TBB + test runs | LT5_004 - LOTAAS - 4hrs HBA | SOFTWARE ROLLOUT; all international stations switched to ILT mode at 9 UT | | | | | | SYSTEM TESTS | | | LC5_002 - 2 hrs - (repet. 07-01-16) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 26 | Tue | SYSTEM TESTS | | | | | | LC5_022 - LS1+61303 - 5hrs HBA - CEP3 - DO NOT MOVE!! | System tests | LT5_009 - NCP - HBA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 27 | Wed | LT5_009 - NCP - HBA | | | System tests | LC5_019 - 4C31.56 - 4hrs HBA | | System tests | TBB + test runs | LC5_008 - Field A0 - 8hrs HBA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 28 | Thu | LC5_008 - Field A0 - 8hrs HBA | TBB + test runs | LC4_034 - P248+40 - 8hrs HBA - REPETITION | | | | System tests | LC5_022 - LS1+61303 - 5hrs HBA - CEP3 - DO NOT MOVE!! | TBB + test runs | | LT5_009 - 3C196 - 6hrs HBA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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- <http://www.tiny.cc/LC5>
- ****Always cc 'sciencesupport@astron.nl' and include the proposal code in the subject line****
- **Cycle 5:> 38% complete**

Cycle 6

- Deadline 9 March 12 UT
- Call for proposals will (probably) be sent out this week

- Next LSM : 3rd February 2016
- Pulsar Busy Week : 25-30 January 2016
- Facet Calibration Workshop : 25-30 January 2016
- Next software roll-out : 25th January 2016
- FACTOR Busy Week : 22-25 February 2016
- LOFAR Users meeting : 4th April 2016
- LOFAR Science Meeting : 5-6 April 2016
- LOFAR ILT Technical Operations Meeting: 7th April 2016
- Survey KSP Meeting : 7-8 April 2016
- Deadline registration LOFAR meetings : 14 March 2016

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