

Silica sand identification using alos/palsar full polarimetry at the northern coastline of rupert island, indonesia

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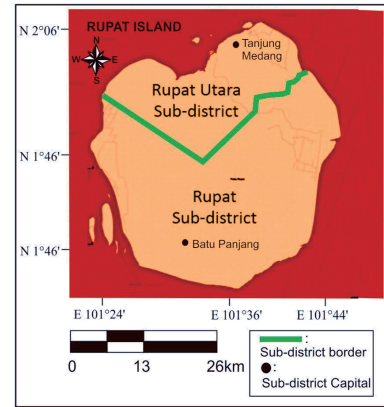
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Map of Rupert Island, Riau province, Indonesia.

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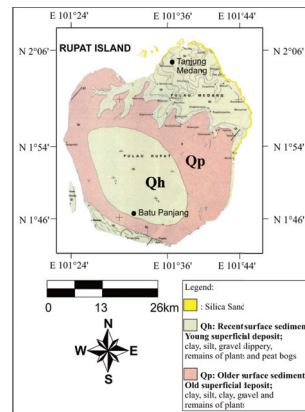
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Geological Map of Rupert Island.

Overview and summary

- Silica sand is one of the mineral which relatively abundant in Indonesia. One of the area which has abundant of silica sand sedimentation is Rupert Island, Bengkalis district, Riau province, Indonesia. Silica sand in this island distributes in the north coastline area.
- SAR data is very suitable to use for geological or geoscience study such as surface roughness and soil moisture estimations, because the frequency or polarizations SAR measurements are carried out.
- To identify of the silica sand characteristic, SAR analysis and silica sand properties have been measured using Alos/Palsar full-polarimetry.
- Samples analysis: measurement of the dielectric constant, X-Ray Fluorescence (X-RF), microscopic photograph.
- The purpose of this study are: identification and detection of the silica sand distribution at the northern coastline of Rupert Island by analyzed the physical scattering technique using Alos/Palsar data

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Data and Methods

Configuration	Quadpol Alos/Palsar Data	
	Scene 1	Scene 2
Acquisition date	May 16, 2010	April 03, 2011
Wavelength	23.5 cm, 1.27 GHz (L-Band)	23.5 cm, 1.27 GHz (L-Band)
Spatial resolution	Az: 4.5 m Ra: 9.5 m	Az: 4.5 m Ra: 9.5 m
Level product	P 1.1	P 1.1
Incidence angle at scene center	25.752	23.948
Orbit pass	Ascending	Ascending
Noise equivalent (N _{eq})	-30 ~ -31 dB	-30 ~ -31 dB
Absolute geo-location accuracy	< 200 m	< 200 m
Absolute radiometric accuracy	0.7 dB	0.7 dB

Specification of Alos/Palsar Full-Polarimetry Data of Rupert Island.

Data and Methods

- From the Fresnel's reflectivity coefficient, the reflectivity coefficient of incidence wave can be described as below:

$$\Gamma^{\theta} = \left| \frac{1 - \sqrt{\epsilon_{22}}}{1 + \sqrt{\epsilon_{22}}} \right|$$

$$\Gamma = \Gamma^{\theta} \cos \theta$$

- Furthermore, the backscattering coefficient σ^0 (Tetuko, 2003) is defined as:

$$\sigma^0 = 20 \log |\Gamma|$$

- And the backscattering coefficient σ^0 (dB) of ALOS PALSAR at a given polarization mode is:

$$\sigma^0 = 10 \log_{10}(DN) + CF$$

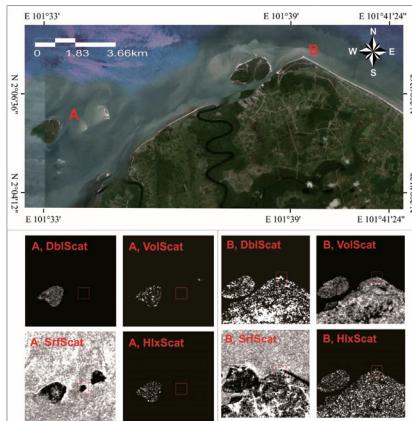
- Where CF is the conversion factor (-83) (Shimada, 2007)

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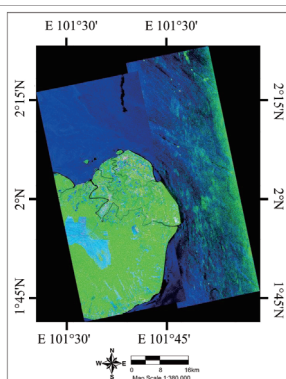
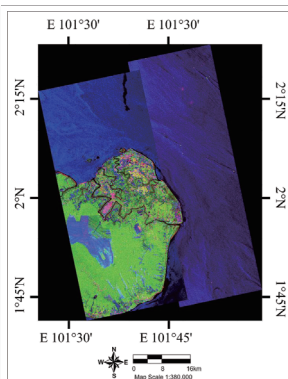
- Scattering decomposition from four physical scattering models (Double Bounce scattering, Volume scattering, Surface scattering and Helix scattering) shown that surface scattering is the very clear decomposition to show the silica sand identification compare with the others.

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- Freeman-Durdeen and Yamaguchi techniques have been used to get the scattering decomposition of physical scattering from the incoherent object model based.



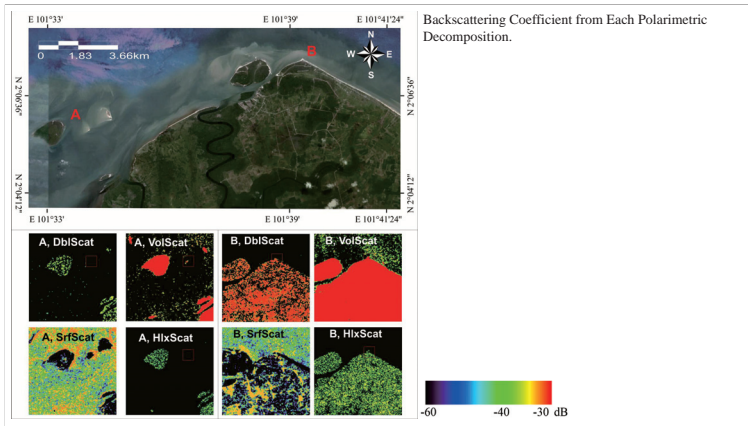
Google Earth's Image as the Reference Shown the Silica Sand as White Color Among The Northern Coastline of Rupat Island (A: Being Aceh area, B: Tanjung Api – Tanjung Punai area). Result from Each Polarimetric Decomposition Shown the most Clear Image comes from Surface Scattering (SrtScat as Labeled).



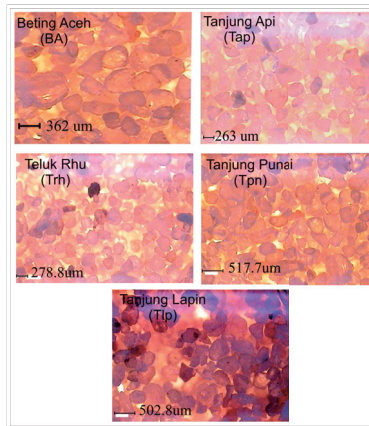
Yamaguchi Decomposition (Left) and Freeman-Durdeen Decomposition (Right) of Two Adjacent Scenes of Rupat Island.

Result and Discussion

- From surface scattering, backscattering coefficient value of silica sand has been calculated starting from -59 dB until -52 dB. These values were given by the silica sand surface roughness condition, where the roughness is almost flat, this condition supported by the grain size of silica sand particles that have almost the same size, that were conducted by using microscopic photograph testing.



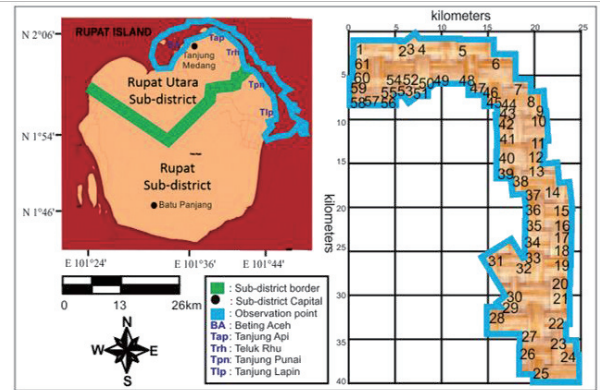
Backscattering Coefficient from Each Polarimetric Decomposition.



Microscopic Photograph Shown Grain Size of Silica Sand from Study Areas.

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Study Area with 61 Observation Points of Silica Sand Presence that Has Been Recognized at the northern coastline at Rupat Island.



Flat Surface Condition Shown from Main Location of Study Area at Northern Coastline of Rupat Island.

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ξ : Burnt coal seam thickness
 ξ° : Backscattering coefficient
 σ : The effective impedances of incident wave
 Z_L : Peat-land
 Z_C : Burnt coal seam (including fire scars or tree stands)
 θ_i : Incident angle
 E_{rm} : Electric field of reflected waves
 E_{tm} : Transmitted waves
 E_{bm} : Waves that are reflected by peatland
 E_0 : The intensity of incident wave
 E_{rt}^{tot} : The total reflected wave
 Z_0 : The intrinsic impedance
 ϵ_p : Complex dielectric constant
 μ_p : Complex specific permeability
 Γ : Reflection coefficient