

The Santorini Inflation Episode, Monitored by **InSAR and GPS**





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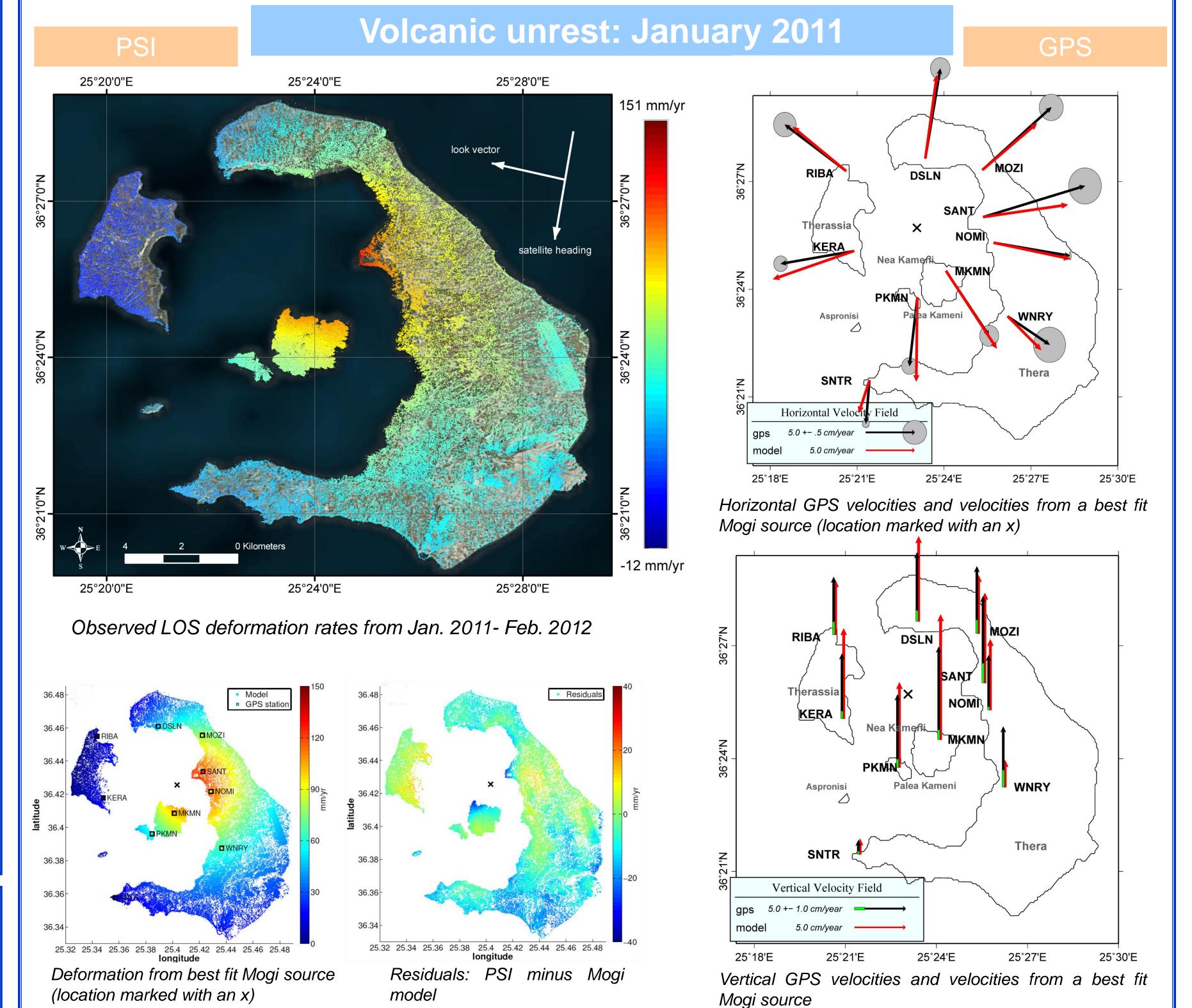
Background

✓ The Santorini volcanic complex is comprised of four islands: Therassia and Thera islands form the caldera rim; Palea Kameni and Nea Kameni have built up in the central caldera

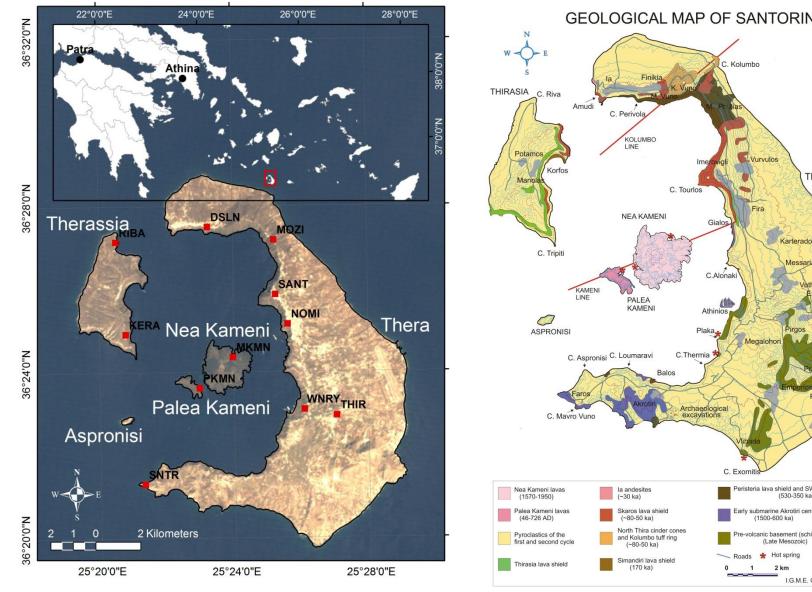
✓ Santorini Volcanic Complex is the most active part of the South Aegean (Hellenic) Volcanic Arc.

✓ Several eruptions led to the present form of the Kameni islands

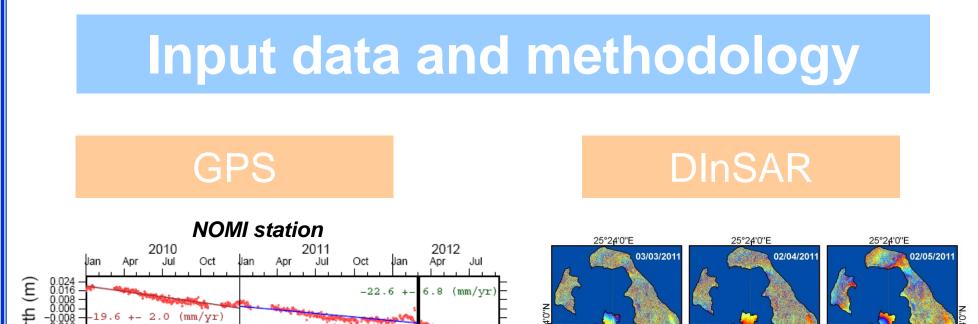
✓ Most recent seismic sequence ended in 1950

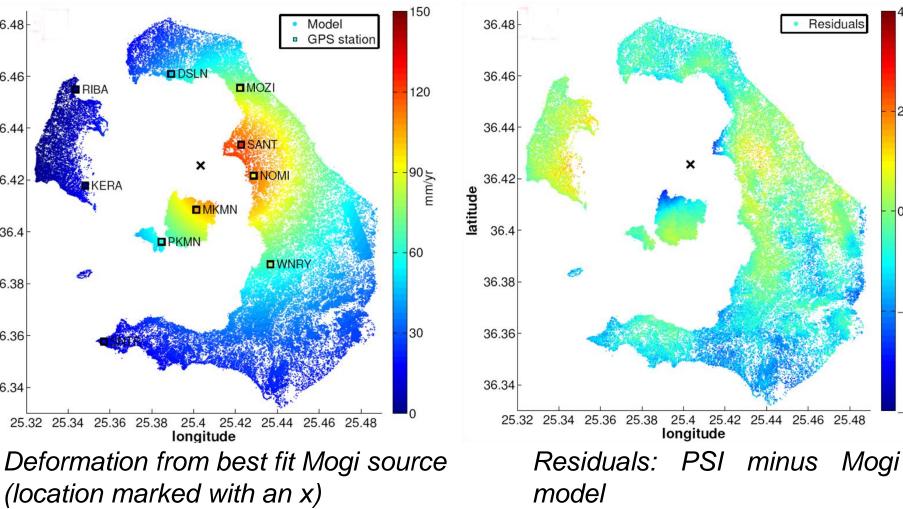




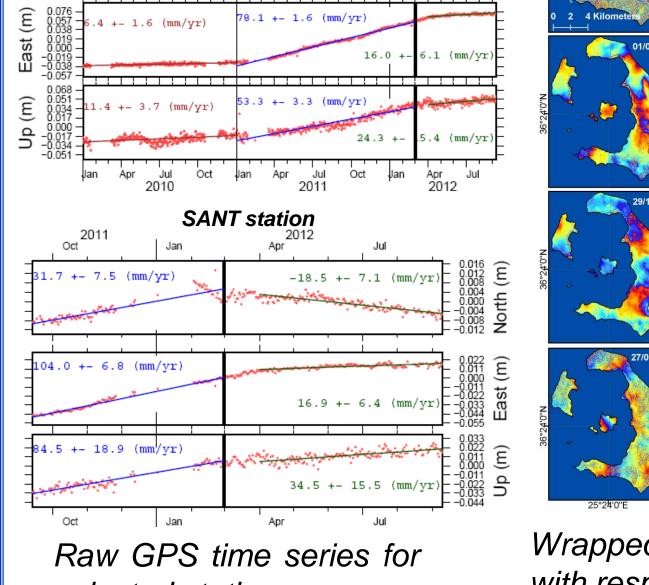


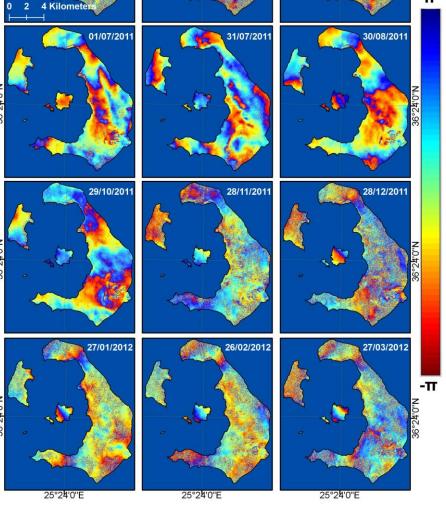
(left) Landsat 5 TM scene depicting Santorini and the locations of the installed cGPS (right) Simplified geological map of Santorini (Vougioukalakis, 1997)





The end of the episode: February/March 2012

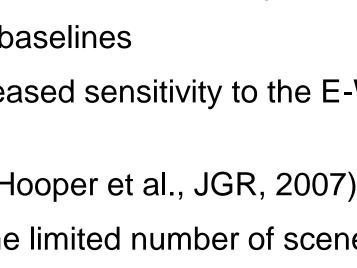




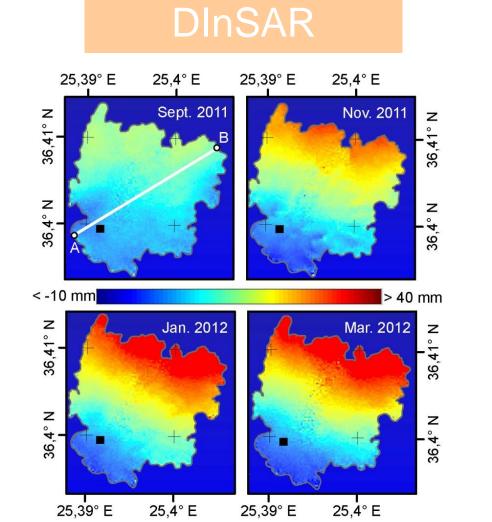
selected stations

Wrapped Envisat interferograms with respect to the September 2011 acquisition

- ✓ 13 ASAR Envisat descending mode
- ✓ Last orbit before the end of the mission in April 2012
- ✓ Short spatial & temporal baselines
- ✓ Swath I6, leading to increased sensitivity to the E-W horizontal components
- ✓ S/W: Gamma, StaMPS (Hooper et al., JGR, 2007)
- \checkmark PSI challenging due to the limited number of scenes



Seismicity



Unwrapped differential interferograms in Nea Kameni. While the magnitude of uplift clearly increases for the first three interferograms, in March 2012 the deformation is similar to the one observed in January 2012

long temporal baseline

short temporal baseline

interferogram => DEM

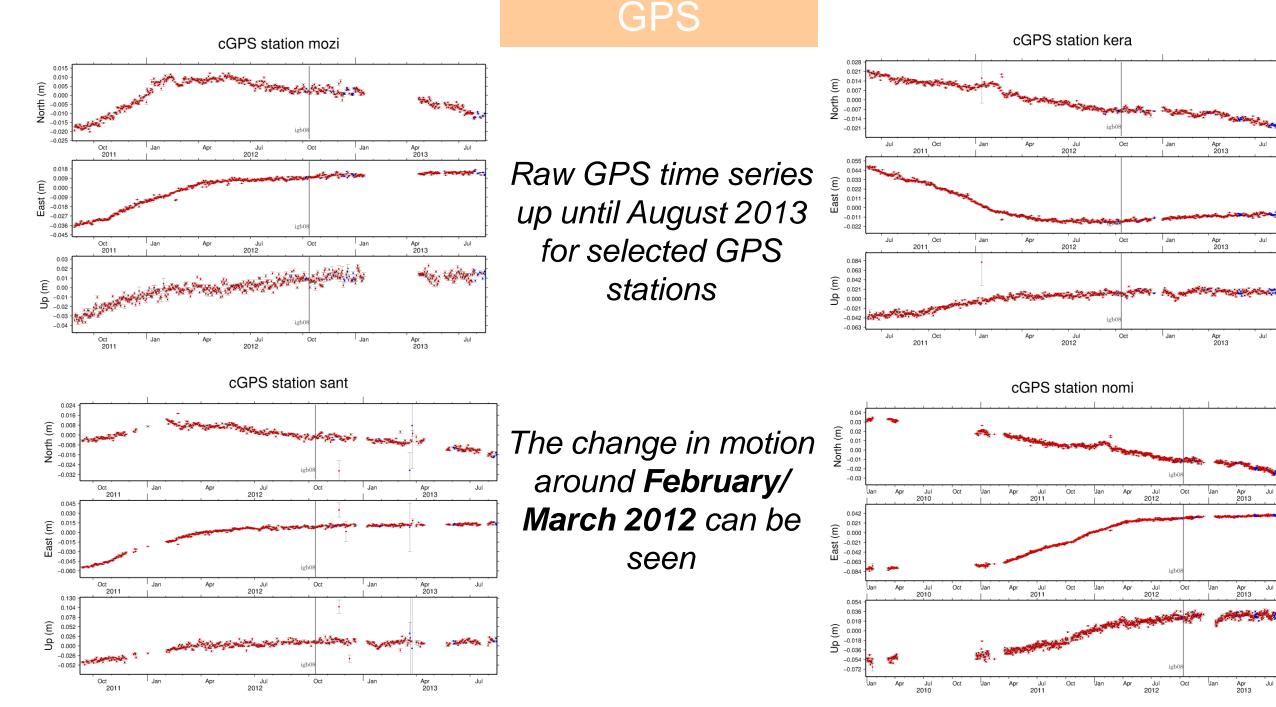
interferogram from 3-

pass interferometry

interferogram =>

deformation

c. Differential



Conclusions

- ✓ Maximum inflation of 150 mm/yr LOS
- ✓ Mogi model seems to be suitable with a source depth of 3.3–6.3 km (in agreement with Newman et al., Parks et al.)
- ✓ Unless a very deep hydrothermal fluid reservoir exists beneath the caldera, this episode was likely to be one of magmatic inflation of the shallow chamber

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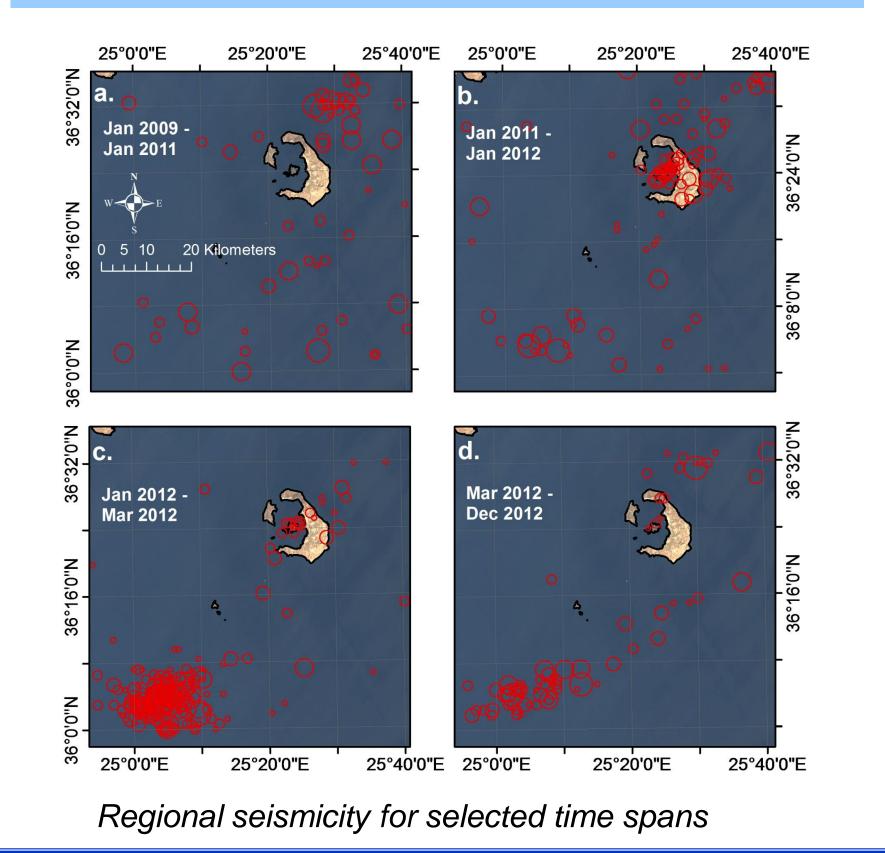
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✓ Inflation has diminished since the end of February 2012

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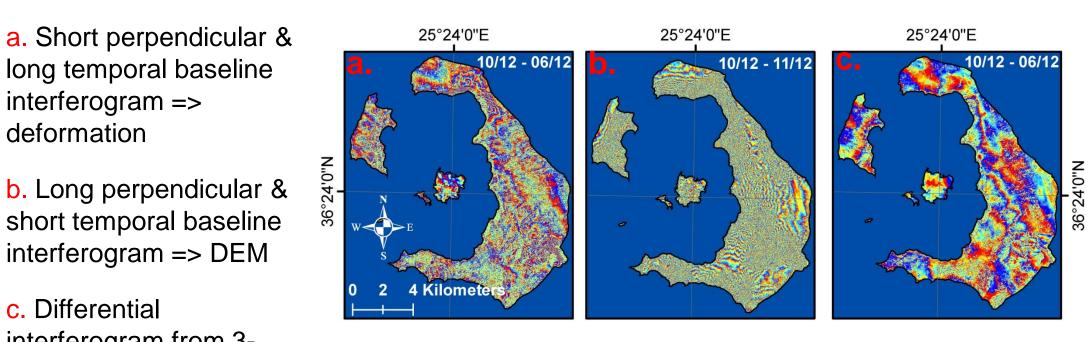
✓ New phase of relative stability, reduced probability for an imminent volcanic eruption

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Daily GPS solutions for Santorini: http://dionysos.survey.ntua.gr/

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