

OBSERVING MARS FROM AREOSTATIONARY ORBIT: BENEFITS AND APPLICATIONS

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Table of physical parameters, observable quantities, and available instruments associated to the scientific applications

Application (section #)	Physical parameters			Observable quantities		Instruments		
	Description	Horizontal resolution	Cadence	Description	Energy/wavelength/frequency	Description	FOV or IFOV	Availability
4.1	Extent of (dust/water ice) aerosol clouds	≤ 5 km	≤ 30 minutes	RGB values	400-750 nm (VIS)	Visible camera	IFOV ≤ 0.3 mrad	Yes
4.1	Duration of (dust/water ice) aerosol clouds	≤ 5 km	≤ 30 minutes	RGB values	400-750 nm (VIS)	Visible camera	IFOV ≤ 0.3 mrad	Yes
4.1 (and 5.1)	Surface temperature	≤ 60 km	≤ 30 minutes	Radiance	Around 7.9 μm, or around 32 μm, or beyond 50 μm (TIR)	TIR spectrometer / radiometer	IFOV ≤ 3.5 mrad	Yes
4.1 (and 5.1)	Vertical profile of temperature	≤ 60 km	≤ 30 minutes	Radiance	Around 15 μm (TIR)	TIR spectrometer / radiometer	IFOV ≤ 3.5 mrad	Yes
4.1 (and 5.1)	Dust column opacity	≤ 60 km	≤ 30 minutes	Radiance	Around 9.3 μm (TIR), or a broadband signal in NIR, or at 220 nm (UV)	TIR spectrometer / radiometer - NIR spectrometer - UV imager	IFOV ≤ 3.5 mrad	TIR yes
4.1 (and 5.1)	Water ice column opacity	≤ 60 km	≤ 30 minutes	Radiance	Around 11.8 μm (TIR), or at 1254 nm or 1500 nm (NIR), or at 320 nm (UV)	TIR spectrometer / radiometer - UV imager	IFOV ≤ 3.5 mrad	TIR yes
4.1 (and 5.1)	Water vapor column abundance	≤ 60 km	≤ 30 minutes	Radiance	Around 41 μm (TIR) or near 2602 nm (NIR)	TIR spectrometer / radiometer - NIR spectrometer	IFOV ≤ 3.5 mrad	NIR Yes
4.1 (and 5.1)	Carbon dioxide ice column opacity	≤ 60 km	≤ 30 minutes	Radiance	Around 22 μm (TIR), or at 1428 nm (NIR)	TIR spectrometer / radiometer	IFOV ≤ 3.5 mrad	NIR yes
4.1 (and 5.1)	Surface pressure	≤ 60 km	≤ 30 minutes	Radiance (I/F)	Around 2007 nm (NIR)	NIR spectrometer	IFOV ≤ 3.5 mrad	Yes
4.1	Horizontal wind components	≤ 5 km	≤ 30 minutes	Radiance	400-750 nm (VIS) or 200-400 nm (UV)	Visible camera	IFOV ≤ 0.3 mrad	Yes

4.2	Solar EUV spectral irradiance	N/A	16 sec	spectral irradiance	10-20 nm, 17-22 nm, 121.6 nm	Solar EUV monitor	FOV: -2 to +2 degrees, centered on Sun	Yes
4.2	Vector magnetic field	N/A	16 sec	vector magnetic field	N/A	Fluxgate mag	N/A	Yes
4.2	Solar wind ion flux	N/A	16 sec	differential energy flux (eV/cm ² -ster-eV)	~50 eV to 10 keV	Ion energy/ angle analyzer	FOV: Cone of half angle 30° centered on Sun	Yes
4.2	Superthermal electron flux	N/A	16 sec	differential energy flux (eV/cm ² -ster-eV)	~3 eV to 10 keV	Electron energy/angle analyzer	FOV: 360° x 120°	Yes
4.2	Energetic ion flux	N/A	20 minutes	differential energy flux (eV/cm ² -ster-eV)	30 keV to 5 MeV	Energetic ion/electron detector	FOV:40 x 40 deg centered on +/- Parker spiral dirs	Yes
4.2	Energetic electron flux	N/A	20 minutes	ion energy	30 keV to 500 keV	Energetic ion/electron detector	FOV:40 x 40 deg centered on +/- Parker spiral dirs	Yes
4.3	Kinetic surface temperature	≤ 1 km	3-4 hours	Brightness temperature	Around 7.9 μm, or around 32 μm, or beyond 50 μm (TIR)	TIR spectrometer / radiometer	IFOV≤ 60 μrad	No
4.3	Albedo	≤ 1 km	3-4 hours	Reflectance	0.3-3 μm	Broadband Bolometer	IFOV≤ 60 μrad	No
4.3	Thermal inertia	≤ 1 km	3-4 hours	Brightness temperature	Around 7.9 μm, or around 32 μm, or beyond 50 μm (TIR)	TIR spectrometer / radiometer	IFOV≤ 60 μrad	No
4.3 (Phobos)	Mineralogy and thermal inertia	≤ 1 km	≤ 10 minutes when target is in sight	Reflectance and Radiance	0.3-4.0 μm (VIS-NIR) and 6.0-15.0 μm (TIR)	VIS-NIR spectrometer TIR spectrometer / radiometer	IFOV≤ 0.1 mrad	VIS-NIR yes