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# 3D Laser Imaging Techniques: advantages, limitations, technological and scientific challenges

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## Résumé

**Résumé:** *3D laser imaging systems operate at night in all ambient illuminations and weather conditions. These techniques can perform the strategic surveillance of the environment for various worldwide operations (up to long ranges). Onera, the French aerospace lab, develops and models new active imaging concepts based on new sensor technologies. The knowledge of the relevant physical phenomena impacting on the performances of such 3D-lidar techniques is essential to face the new scientific challenges.*

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