STORM ACTIVITY OVER BALKAN REGION DURING MAY 2009

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Intense storm activity over Balkans (40°/48° N, 12°/23° E) at the end of May 2009 was analysed. Surveying was carried out by integration of satellite and groun d-based observations. Very Low Frequency (VLF) signals (3-30 kHz) recorded by Absolute Phase and Amplitude Logger station in Belgrade (44.85° N, 20.38° E), vi deo recordings of sprite events from ITALIAN METEOR and TLE NETWORK and lightning stroke data from Cooperation for Lightning Detection network were ins pected for possible relationship. Different type and magnitude of perturbations on monitored VLF signals were observed, even originated from same lightning discharge. Correspondence between all three examined phenomena was found, in some of analyzed cases.

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