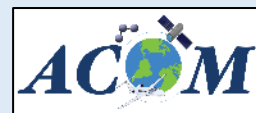
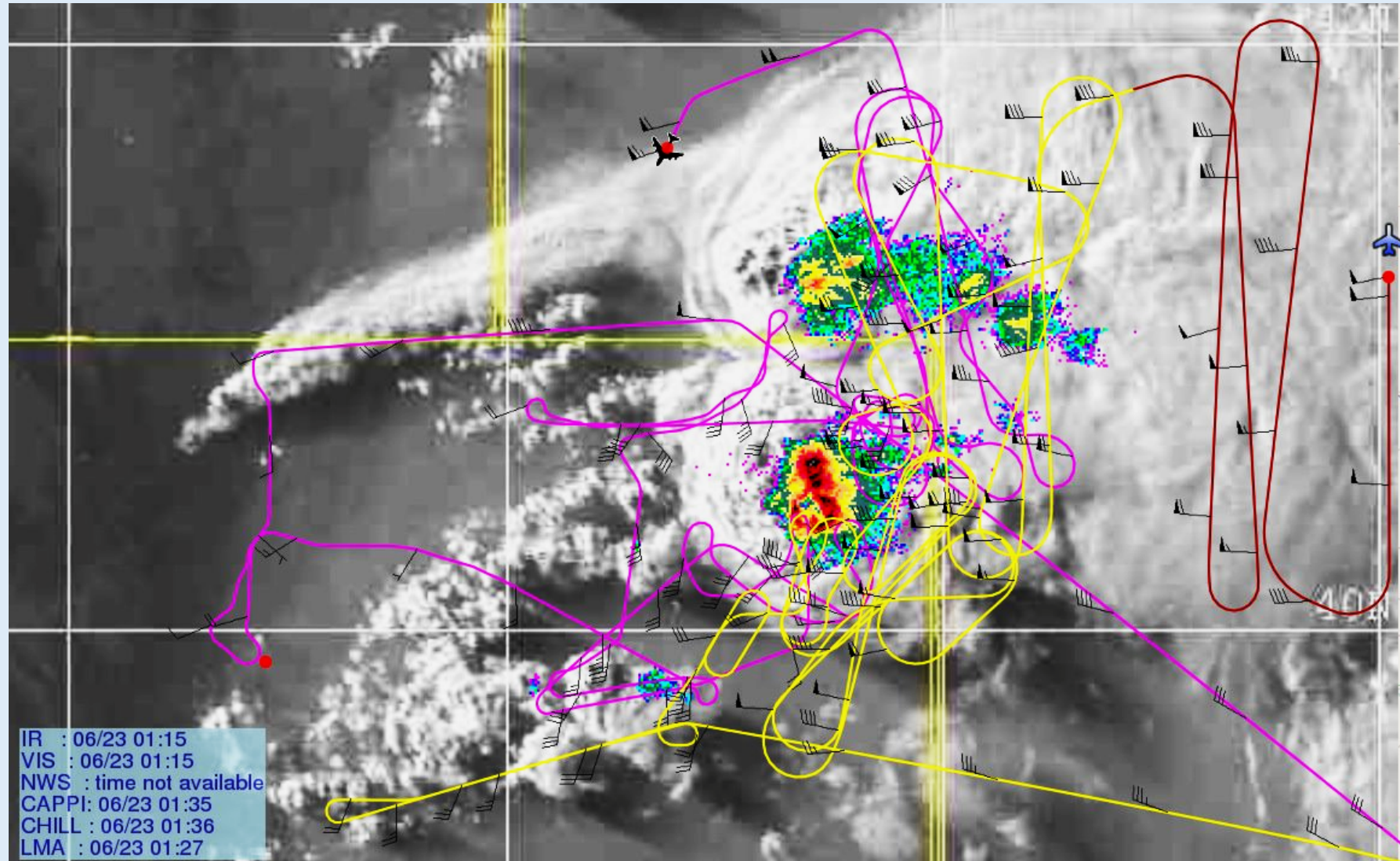


# Biomass burning data from airborne field campaigns

Samuel Hall







**NCAR C-130**



**NOAA WP-3D**



**NASA DC-8**



**NASA WB-57**



**NASA ER-2**



**NASA B200**



**NCAR GV**



**NASA P-3B**



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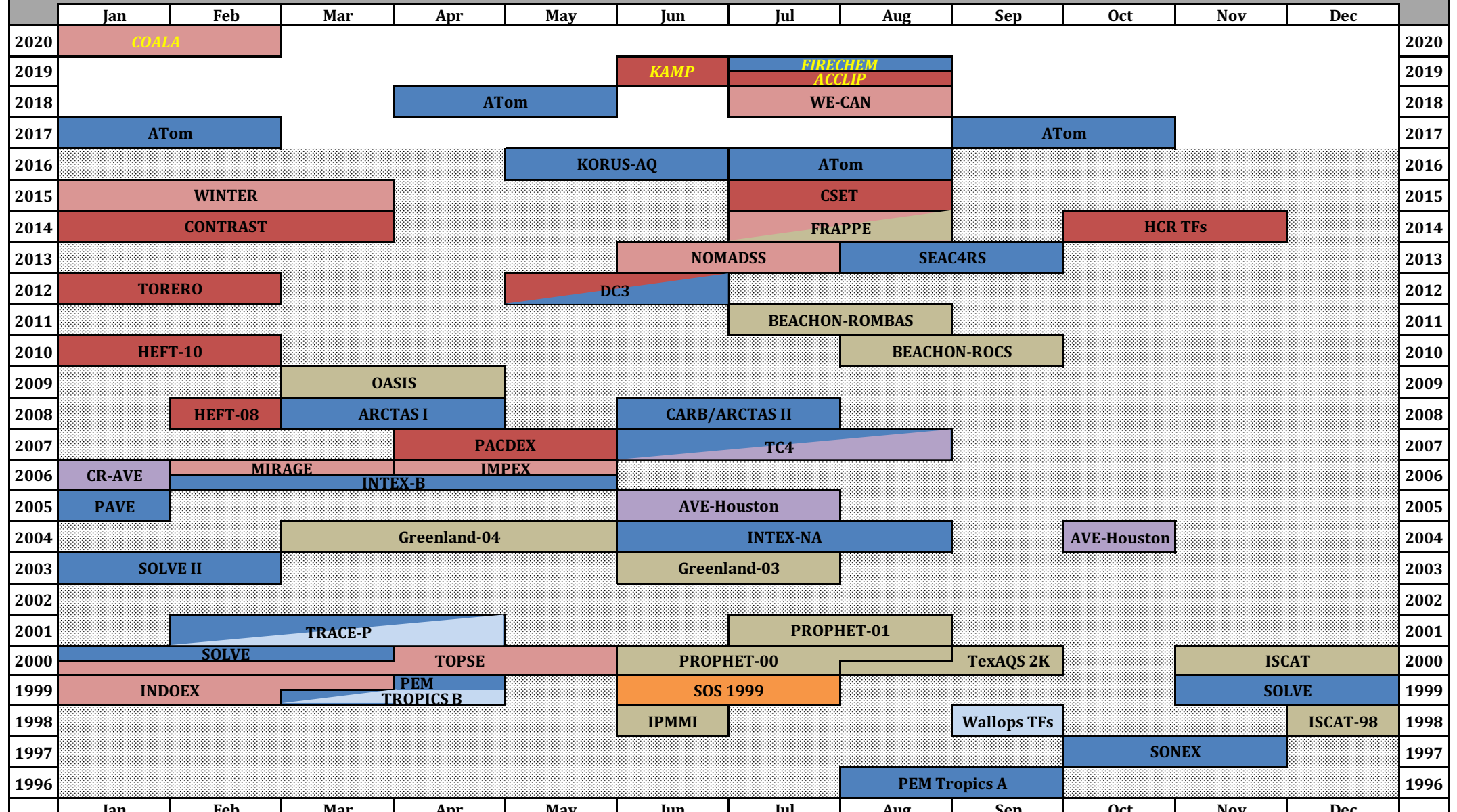
NCAR GV  
NCAR C-130

NASA DC-8  
NASA P3-B  
NASA WB-57

NOAA WP-3D

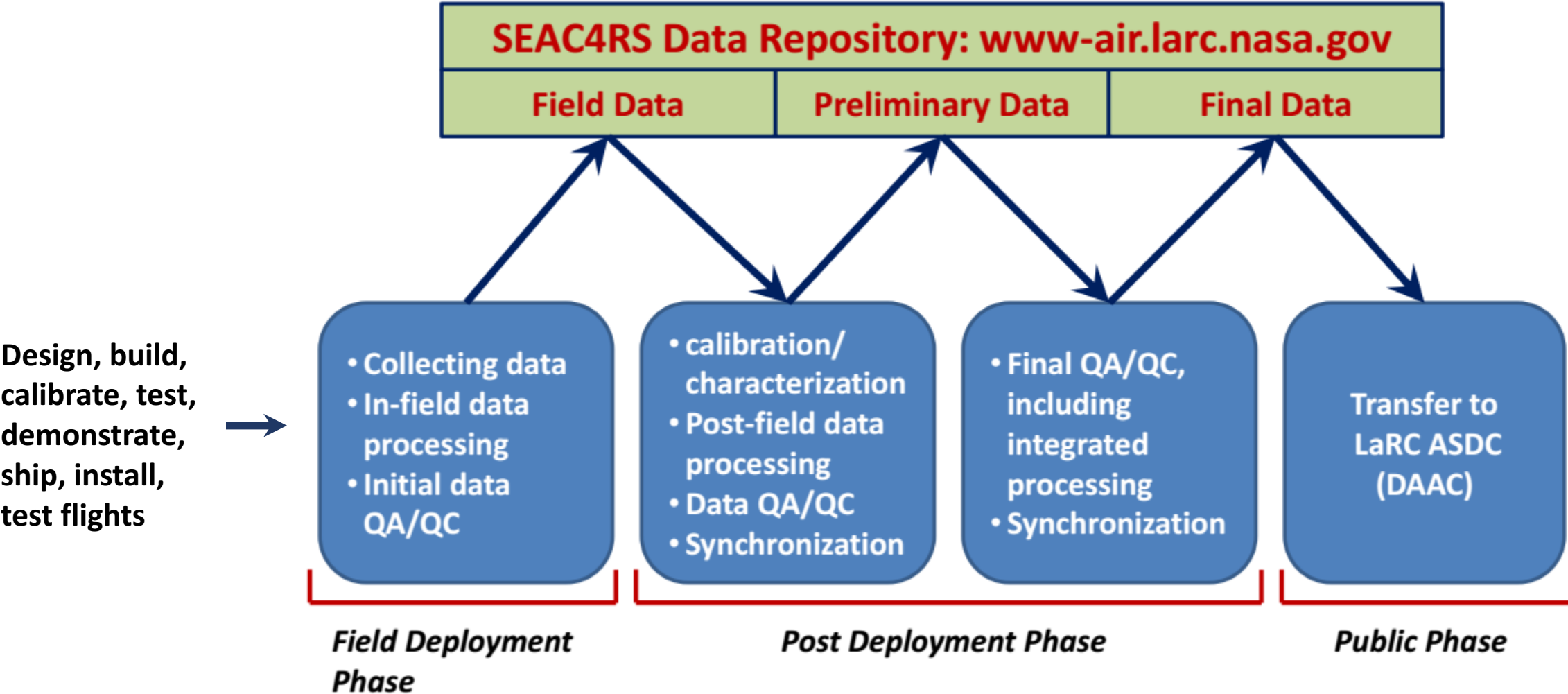
Ground

43 Completed  
2 Ongoing/Funded  
4 Proposed



The data is available after tremendous amounts of effort

# SEAC<sup>4</sup>RS Data Flow Overview



Modified from Gao Chen, NASA LARC



## **Where are the airborne data repositories?**

- NCAR
- NASA
- NOAA
- DOE
- Universities (typically small aircraft)
- Foreign organizations (e.g. DLR, FAAM)



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Acronym	Full Name	Mission Website	Location	Dates
<a href="#">ATom</a>	<a href="#">Atmospheric Tomography</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	Global	Aug 2001 - Ongoing
<a href="#">ORACLES</a>	<a href="#">Observations of Aerosols Above Clouds and Their Interactions</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	S. Africa	Jul 2016 - Ongoing
<a href="#">ATTREX</a>	<a href="#">Airborne Tropical Tropopause Experiment</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	NASA DFRC; Pacific Ocean; Australia	Oct 2011 - Mar 2015
<a href="#">MACPEX</a>	<a href="#">Mid-latitude Airborne Cirrus Properties Experiment</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	NASA JSC	Mar - Apr 2011
<a href="#">GloPac</a>	<a href="#">Global Hawk Pacific</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	NASA DFRC	Apr 2010
<a href="#">TC4</a>	<a href="#">Tropical Composition, Cloud and Climate Coupling</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	Costa Rica; Panama	May - Aug 2007
<a href="#">Ticosonde06</a>	<a href="#">Ticosonde/Veranillo 2006</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	Costa Rica	Jun - Aug 2006
<a href="#">CR-AVE</a>	<a href="#">Aura Validation Experiment (Costa Rica)</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	Costa Rica	Dec 2005 - Mar 2006
<a href="#">AVE (WIIF)</a>	<a href="#">Aura Validation Experiment - Water Isotope Intercomparison Flights</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	NASA JSC	Jun - Jul 2005
<a href="#">AVE (2005)</a>	<a href="#">Aura Validation Experiment (Summer 2005)</a>	<a href="#">Mission Website</a>	NASA JSC	Jun 2005





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**OWLETS** will use a unique combination of two ozone lidars, UAV equipped with O<sub>3</sub> and surface sensors to characterize the water-land differences in O<sub>3</sub>.

- One of the lidars (GSFC lidar) will be located in-land, while a second lidar (LaRC) will be located on the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, 6-7 miles off-shore to obtain simultaneous "over-water" data.
- UAV/drone with a in-situ O<sub>3</sub> sensor will allow us to investigate near-range vertical and horizontal gradients.
- O<sub>3</sub> sondes, fixed ground sensors, and mobile in-situ will also obtain measurements.

[>> more](#)



**LMOS** campaign provides extensive observational air quality and meteorology datasets through a combination of airborne, ship, mobile lab, and fixed ground-based observational platforms. Additionally, chemical transport models (CTMs) and meteorological forecast tools assist in the planning for day-to-day measurement strategies. The main objectives of LMOS are to better understand the lakeshore ozone gradient and to evaluate and improve CTMs used for regulatory and research purposes in this region. LMOS 2017 is a collaborative effort between LADCO and its member states, NASA, NOAA, EPA, EPRI, Scientific Aviation, and a number of research groups at universities.

[>> more](#)



**KORUS-AQ** offers the opportunity to further advance NASA goals and those of its international partners related to air quality through a targeted field study focused on the South Korean peninsula and surrounding waters. The study would integrate observations from aircraft, ground sites, and satellites with air quality models to understand the factors controlling air quality across urban, rural, and coastal interfaces.

[>> more](#)



**The Atmospheric Carbon and Transport – America (ACT-America)**, will conduct five airborne campaigns across three regions in the eastern United States to study the transport of atmospheric carbon.

ACT-America will deploy two aircraft, a C-130 and UC-12, instrumented with remote and in situ sensors, to observe how mid-latitude weather systems interact with CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> sources and sinks to create atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub> distributions.

[>> more](#)

# NASA GTE airborne campaigns (1983-2001):

https://www-gte.larc.nasa.gov/GTE2/missions/Aircraft\_Based\_Missions/Aircraft\_Based\_Missions.htm

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## GTE: Aircraft-Based Missions

[MERGED DATA SETS](#)

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MISSION (Locale)	OBJECTIVES	AIRCRAFT	STATUS	DATA
CITE-1A Wallops Island	Ground Based Instrument Intercomparisons	Ground Based	Completed July 1983	<a href="#">Available</a>
CITE-1B Tropics	Airborne Instrumentation Intercomparisons	CV-990	Completed Nov. 1983	<a href="#">Available</a>
CITE-1C Trop Fold	Airborne Instrumentation Intercomparisons	CV-990	Completed Apr. 1984	<a href="#">Available</a>
ABLE-1 Barbados	Boundary Layer Chemistry and Dynamics- Precursor	Electra	Completed June 1984	<a href="#">Available</a>
ABLE-2A Brazil	Boundary Layer Study of CO/O <sub>3</sub> /NO <sub>x</sub> - Dry Season	Electra	Completed Aug. 1985	<a href="#">Available</a>
CITE-2 West Coast-U.S.	Test and Intercomparisons: Nitrogen Budget Experiments	Electra	Completed Aug. 1986	<a href="#">Available</a>
ABLE-2B	Boundary Layer Study of CO/O <sub>3</sub> /NO <sub>x</sub> - Wet	Electra	Completed	<a href="#">Available</a>



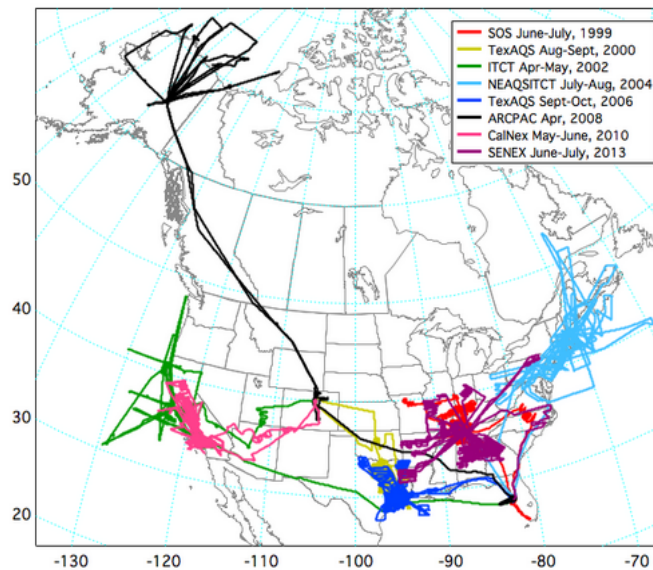


### Tropospheric Chemistry: Datasets for Modellers

Created to improve the ability to incorporate NOAA WP-3D airborne chemistry data sets into large-scale models. Provided ICARTT-formatted data files from all the major chemically-instrumented NOAA WP-3D aircraft field projects since 1999. There are three data files for each flight day:

1. First file contains one-minute averages of faster-response (typically 1Hz) meteorological, gas-phase, and particulate-phase data for a given flight.
2. Second file contains these faster-response data averaged over the whole air sampler (WAS) open/close times for a given flight.
3. Third file contains the WAS data on hydrocarbons, halocarbons, and other trace species.

Each project website contains more information and details of the specific measurements. As a convenience, each of the file types are put together into a single .tar file and embedded in the 'Modellers data download'. Additional data files (IGOR format, individual data files - not specifically for modellers) are available from the specific experiment websites.



#### Major aircraft field missions:

2010 CalNex (California Nexus Research at the Nexus of Air Quality and Climate Change) based in Ontario, California during May - June, 2010.

- [CalNex 2010 Modellers data download](#)



## All Field Projects and Deployments

Below is a comprehensive list of all of EOL's field projects and deployments. Please see the [Computing, Data and Software Facility](#) home page for contact information.

Name	Full Name	Date	Data Access	Field Catalog
<a href="#">SOCRATES</a>	Southern Ocean Clouds, Radiation, Aerosol Transport Experimental Study	01/15/2018 to 02/26/2018		<a href="#">Field Catalog</a>
<a href="#">LAFE</a>	Land-Atmosphere Feedback Experiment	08/01/2017 to 08/31/2017		
<a href="#">WE-CAN</a>	Western wildfire Experiment for Cloud chemistry, Aerosol absorption and Nitrogen	08/01/2017 to 09/30/2017		
<a href="#">ACE-ENA</a>	Aerosol and Cloud Experiment - Eastern North Atlantic	06/15/2017 to 02/28/2018		
<a href="#">VORTEX-SE_2017</a>	Verification of the Origins of Rotation in Tornadoes Experiment Southeast 2017	03/08/2017 to 05/08/2017	<a href="#">Data Access</a>	<a href="#">Field Catalog</a>
<a href="#">ARISTO-2017</a>	Airborne Research Instrumentation Testing Opportunity	02/20/2017 to 02/10/2017	<a href="#">Data Access</a>	<a href="#">Field Catalog</a>



## FIELD CAMPAIGNS

Field campaigns with ACOM participation. See also [proposed campaigns](#) in the planning stages.

Campaign	Dates▼	Base of Operations	Field catalog	Data archive
WE-CAN	Jul 2018 to Aug 2018	Broomfield, CO		
ATom-4	Apr 2018 to May 2018	Palmdale, CA		
ATom-3	Sep 2017 to Oct 2017	Palmdale, CA		
ATom-2	Jan 2017 to Feb 2017	Palmdale, CA		
ATom-1	Jul 2016 to Aug 2016	Palmdale, CA		
PROPHET	Jul 2016	Michigan		
KORUS-AQ	Apr 2016 to Jun 2016	Osan Air Base, South Korea		
ORCAS	Jan 2016 to Feb 2016	Punta Arenas, Chile	<a href="#">Field Catalog</a>	
CSET	Jun 2015 to Aug 2015	California, Hawaii	<a href="#">Field Catalog</a>	<a href="#">EOL Archive</a>
WINTER	Feb 2015 to Mar 2015	Northeast U.S.	<a href="#">Field Catalog</a>	<a href="#">EOL Archive</a>
FRAPPÉ	Jul 2014 to Aug 2014	Broomfield, CO	<a href="#">EOL Catalog</a>	<a href="#">NASA Archive</a>
DISCOVER-AQ Colorado	Jul 2014 to Aug 2014	Broomfield, CO	<a href="#">NASA Catalog</a>	<a href="#">NASA Archive</a>
	Jan 2014 to Feb			

## But how do I find the airborne biomass burning data

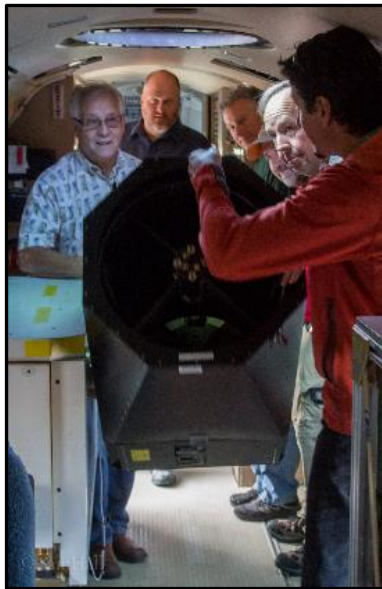
- No easy solution
- Some recent campaigns (DC3, SEAC4RS, NOMADSS, ARCTAS)
- Dataset DOI's
- NCAR Data Stewardship Engineering Team (DSET)
  - Digital Asset Services Hub (DASH)
  - Digital assets easily discoverable through one portal
    - Searchable metadata for NCAR digital assets
      - e.g. "CO measurements during DC3"
      - e.g. "ozone measurements in Colorado"
      - e.g. "TOGA instrument acetonitrile"
    - Built to provide for smaller projects as well
- Photolysis frequency focused database



# What data are available within a campaign?

## Each mission has a different payload

- Housekeeping (lat, lon, alt, p, T, pitch, roll, ...)
- Flight videos (forward, nadir)
- Chemical (CO, acetonitrile, HCN, ozone, ...)
- Aerosol (size, chemistry, optical properties, ...)
- Radiation (actinic Flux, irradiance, radiance, ...)
- LIDAR (ozone, aerosol, ...)
- Imagers (hyperspectral, ...)



G-V



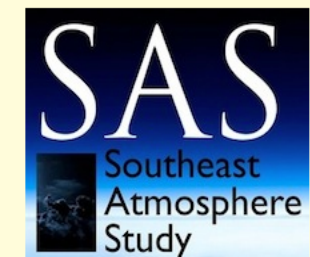
C-130



DC-8

## Additional data also vary

- Presentations/Publications
- Flight summaries
- Surface data (ground sites, ships, mobile vans, aeronet, etc.)
- Chemical models
- Box models
- Weather models
- Back trajectories
- Satellite images
- Satellite retrievals (AOD, columns, fire locations, etc)
- Radar
- Sondes
- Emissions
- Vegetation mapping
- Lightning mapping
- ...



## SAS Data Sets

Data Set Name (Responsible Group/PIs shown in parentheses)

Date Posted

Info

### Accompanying Archives

[EPA STORET Data Warehouse \[\(EPA\)\]](#)

2013-11-07



[SOAS and SENEX NOAA Data \(SENEX password required\) \[Aikin, Ken \(NOAA\)\]](#)

Updated  
2014-03-13



[Southeastern Aerosol Research and Characterization \(SEARCH\) Study Data Archive \[\(ARA\)\]](#)

2014-03-03



### Aircraft

#### Aircraft: NOAA P-3 (N42)

[SOAS and SENEX NOAA Data \(SENEX password required\) \[Aikin, Ken \(NOAA\)\]](#)

Updated  
2014-03-13



[Vertical Wind Data from NCAR C-130 and NOAA P-3 Comparison Flight \[Damiano, Barry \(NOAA-AOC\)\]](#)

2013-12-23



#### Aircraft: NSF/NCAR C-130

[AeroLaser Vacuum Ultra Violet \(VUV\) Fluorescence In Situ Carbon monoxide \(CO\) mixing ratio \[Campos, Teresa, Frank Flocke, Michael Reeves, Daniel Stechman, and Meghan Stell \(NCAR-ESSL-CARI, NCAR-EOL\)\]](#)

Updated  
2015-01-12

[CU CIMS HO<sub>2</sub>, HO<sub>2</sub>+RO<sub>2</sub> \[Cantrell, Chris \(CU-ATOC\)\]](#)

Updated  
2014-10-27



[CU CIMS OH, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, sCIs \[Mauldin, Roy Lee \(CU-ATOC\)\]](#)

2014-02-04



[CU Fluorescence SO<sub>2</sub> \[Mauldin, Roy Lee \(CU-ATOC\)\]](#)

2014-02-04



[Detector for Oxidized Hg Species \(DOHGS\) Data \[Ambrose, Jesse L., Lynne Gratz, and Dan Jaffe \(Univ. of Wash-Bothell\)\]](#)

Updated  
2014-07-18

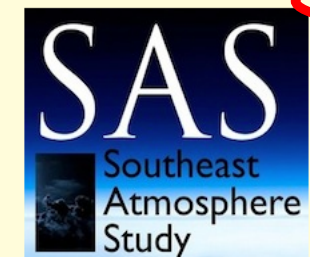


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<a href="#">Downward and Forward Looking Digital Camera Movies - Final (with data) [(NCAR-EOL-RAF)]</a>	2013-11-15	
<a href="#">Downward and Forward Looking Digital Camera Movies - Preliminary [(NCAR-EOL-RAF)]</a>	2013-08-22	
<a href="#">Downward-Looking Digital Camera Imagery [Beaton (NCAR-EOL-RAF)]</a>	2013-07-29	
<a href="#">Flight Tracks (Google Earth .kml files) [(NCAR-EOL)]</a>	2013-10-04	
<a href="#">Forward-Looking Digital Camera Imagery [Beaton (NCAR-EOL-RAF)]</a>	2013-07-29	
<a href="#">In Situ Chemiluminescence NO, NO2, O3 Data [Weinheimer, A.J., D.J. Knapp, D.D. Montzka, F.M. Flocke, T.L. Campos (NCAR)]</a>	Updated 2015-01-05	
<a href="#">Merged Data Files containing all C-130 1 Minute Observations [Emmons, Louisa (NCAR/ACOM)]</a>	2016-08-02	
<a href="#">Merged Data Files containing all C-130 1 Second Observations [Emmons, Louisa (NCAR/ACOM)]</a>	2016-08-02	
<a href="#">NSF/NCAR C-130 High Rate Navigation, State Parameter, and Microphysics Flight-Level Data [(NCAR-EOL-RAF)]</a>	2013-10-04	
<a href="#">NSF/NCAR C-130 HONO Particulate Nitrate and Nitric Acid Data [Xianliang Zhou/Wadsworth Center NY/SUNY Albany]</a>	Updated 2014-09-12	
<a href="#">NSF/NCAR C-130 Low Rate Navigation, State Parameter, and Microphysics Flight-Level Data [(NCAR-EOL-RAF)]</a>	Updated 2016-04-15	
<a href="#">NSF/NCAR C-130 Low Rate Navigation, State Parameter, and Microphysics Flight-Level Data - ICARTT format (subset of NetCDF files) [(NCAR-EOL-RAF)]</a>	2013-12-06	
<a href="#">NSF/NCAR GV HIAPER Atmospheric Radiation Package (HARP) CCD Actinic Flux Spectrometers Photolysis Frequencies [Hall, Samuel (NCAR-ACD)]</a>	Updated 2014-11-20	
<a href="#">PICARRO G1301-f In Situ Carbon dioxide (CO2) mixing ratio and Methane (CH4) [Flocke, F., T. Campos, M. Reeves, D. Stechman, and M. Stell (NCAR)]</a>	Updated 2015-01-12	
<a href="#">PICARRO G1301-f In Situ Carbon dioxide (CO2) mixing ratio and Methane (CH4) High Rate Data [Flocke, F., T. Campos, M. Reeves, D. Stechman, and M. Stell (NCAR)]</a>	Updated 2015-01-12	
<a href="#">Proton Transfer Reaction Mass Spectrometer (PTR-MS) Data [Kaser, Lisa, Bin Yuan (NCAR)]</a>	Updated 2014-11-04	
<a href="#">Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer (SMPS) Particle Size Distributions [Ortega/Smith (NCAR-ESL)]</a>	2013-12-06	
<a href="#">TOGA Merged Data Files containing all C-130 Observations [Emmons, Louisa (NCAR/ACOM)]</a>	2016-08-02	
<a href="#">Trace Organic Gas Analyzer (TOGA) VOC Analyzer Data [Apel, Eric, Rebecca Hornbrook (NCAR-ACD)]</a>	Updated 2014-07-17	



## Data formats

- **ICARTT**  
<<http://www-air.larc.nasa.gov/missions/etc/IcarttDataFormat.htm>>
- HDF
- NETCDF
- Images
- Other formats (especially for older data)
  
- Separate sites for LIDAR, weather, models, etc
- NASA LARC has tools at <https://www-air.larc.nasa.gov/tools.htm>

# Sample ICARTT format

Header

37, 1001  
Diskin, Glenn S.  
NASA Langley Research Center  
DACOM: Diode laser spectrometer measurements of CO  
SEAC4RS  
1, 1  
2013, 08, 27, 2015, 02, 11  
1  
Time.UTC\_mid, Time, seconds since midnight UTC  
2  
1, 1  
-9999, -9999  
CO\_ppbv\_DACOM, ppbv, Carbon Monoxide mixing ratio  
CO\_Flag\_DACOM, unitless, CO data source (see Other Comments)  
1  
These data are FINAL  
20  
PI\_CONTACT\_INFO: NASA LaRC, MS 483, Hampton, VA 23681; 757-864-6268; glenn.s.diskin@nasa.gov  
PLATFORM: NASA DC-8 Aircraft  
LOCATION: Latitude, Longitude, and Altitude included in project navigation data records  
ASSOCIATED\_DATA: N/A  
INSTRUMENT\_INFO: Diode laser Spectrometer measurements of CO  
DATA\_INFO: These data are final.  
UNCERTAINTY: 5% or 5 ppbv (DACOM; CO\_Flag==0); 10% (LGR; CO\_Flag==1)  
ULOD\_FLAG: -7777  
ULOD\_VALUE: n/a;  
LLOD\_FLAG: -8888  
LLOD\_VALUE: n/a;  
DM\_CONTACT\_INFO: Josh DiGangi; 757-864-8789; joshua.p.digangi@nasa.gov  
PROJECT\_INFO: N/A  
STIPULATIONS\_ON\_USE: Data available without restriction; consult PI for more information  
OTHER\_COMMENTS: Gaps in DACOM data coverage (> 5 min) filled using data from an LGR Model 907-0029  
CO/CO2 Analyzer  
Data are flagged under the CO\_Flag\_DACOM variable as "0" when reporting DACOM data and "1" when reporting LGR data.  
A DACOM-based calibration has been applied to the reported LGR data.  
REVISION: R0  
R0: No comments for this revision.  
Time.UTC\_mid, CO\_ppbv\_DACOM, CO\_Flag\_DACOM  
65015,151.121,0  
65016,150.421,0

Column headers

Data

**Fact: Not everyone reads data headers**

**Advice: READ THE DATA HEADERS**

- Data descriptions
- Uncertainties
- Data quality info
- Stipulations on use
- **Contact info**

Find more detailed info at mission websites and instrument publications

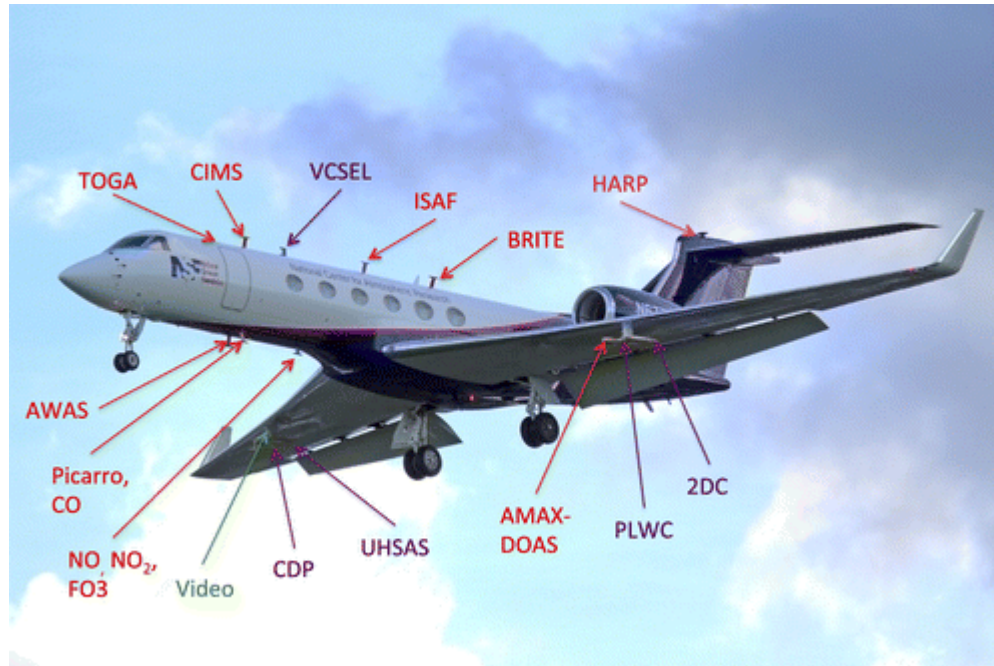


# Potential data issues

## Where is “my favorite quantity”?

### Determine if it was measured

- Look for a merge file
- Examine mission publications
- Examine mission website
- Decipher the payload acronyms



*L. Pan, S. Honomichl, NCAR*

# Potential data issues

## Too much of “my favorite quantity”!

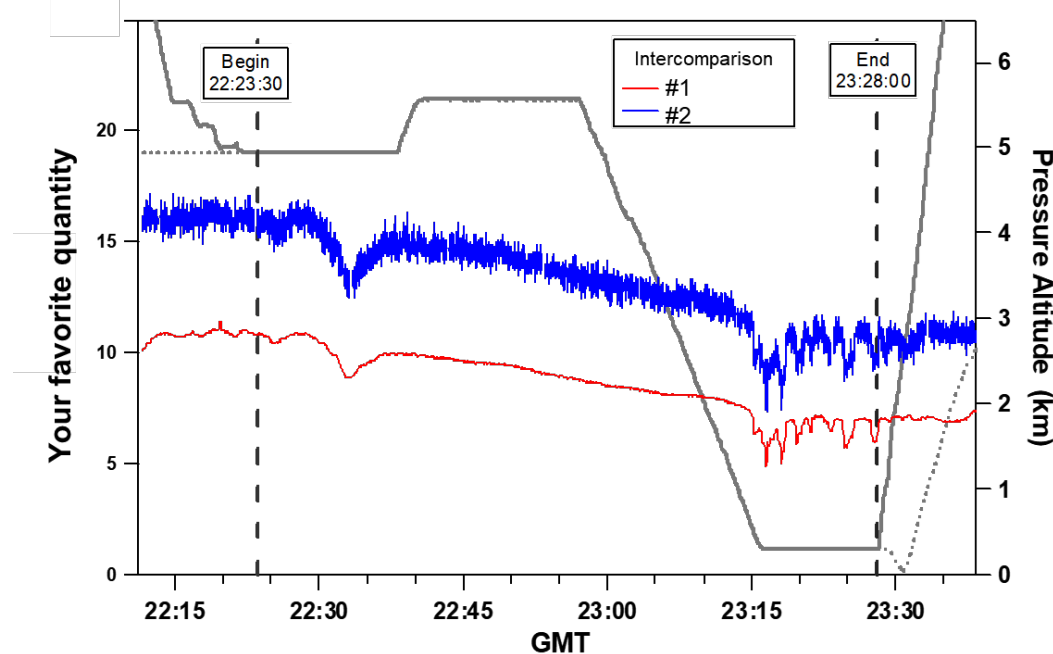
e.g. dataset contains 4 ozone measurements and none agree

Determine which is best

- Mission publications and supporting documents
- Consult the mission PI
- Consult the instrument PIs
- Intercomparison review documents (rare)

But why?

- Redundant critical measurement
- Test experimental technique
- Conditional accuracy (altitude, clouds, interferences, etc)
- Instruments measure multiple quantities and sometimes overlap



# Potential data issues

**Does the measurement meet the specs for your study?**  
(uncertainty, limit of detection, time resolution, etc)

- Examine instrument descriptions on the website
- Examine instrument publications
- Read the datafile headers
- Average, smooth, interpolate with care

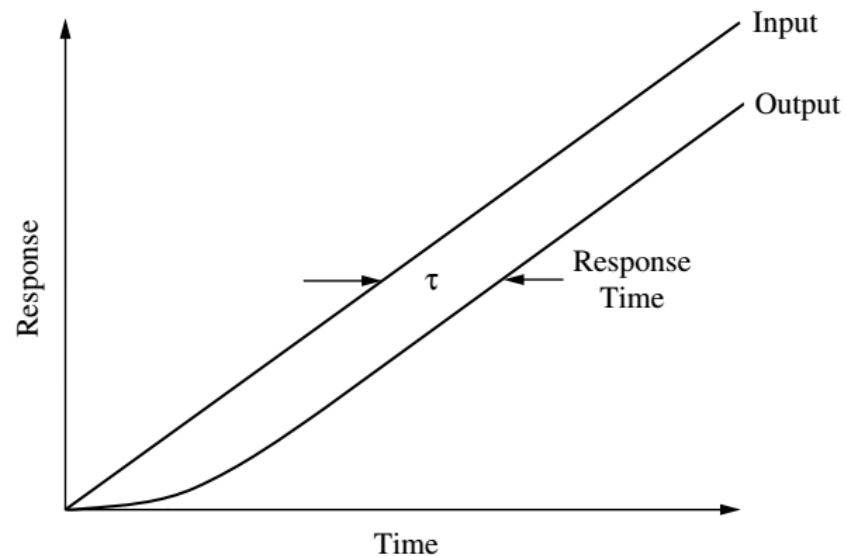


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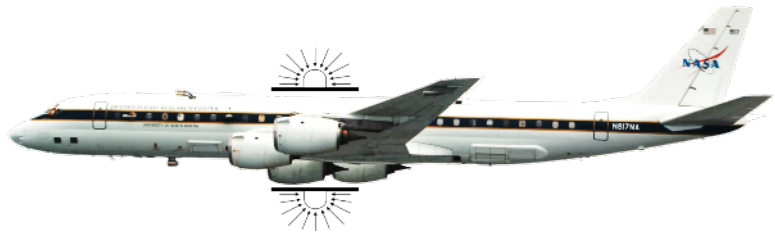
## Why doesn't the chemistry data line up?

### Instrument synchronization

- All instruments sync to official time on aircraft (usually via GPS)
- Instrument response time: function of sampling line length, flow rates and measurement duration
- Also inlet location
- Post-mission: All instruments synced to a fast, variable reference that is correlated with other measurements (e.g. water vapor)
- Final data and merges have synchronized times (typically)



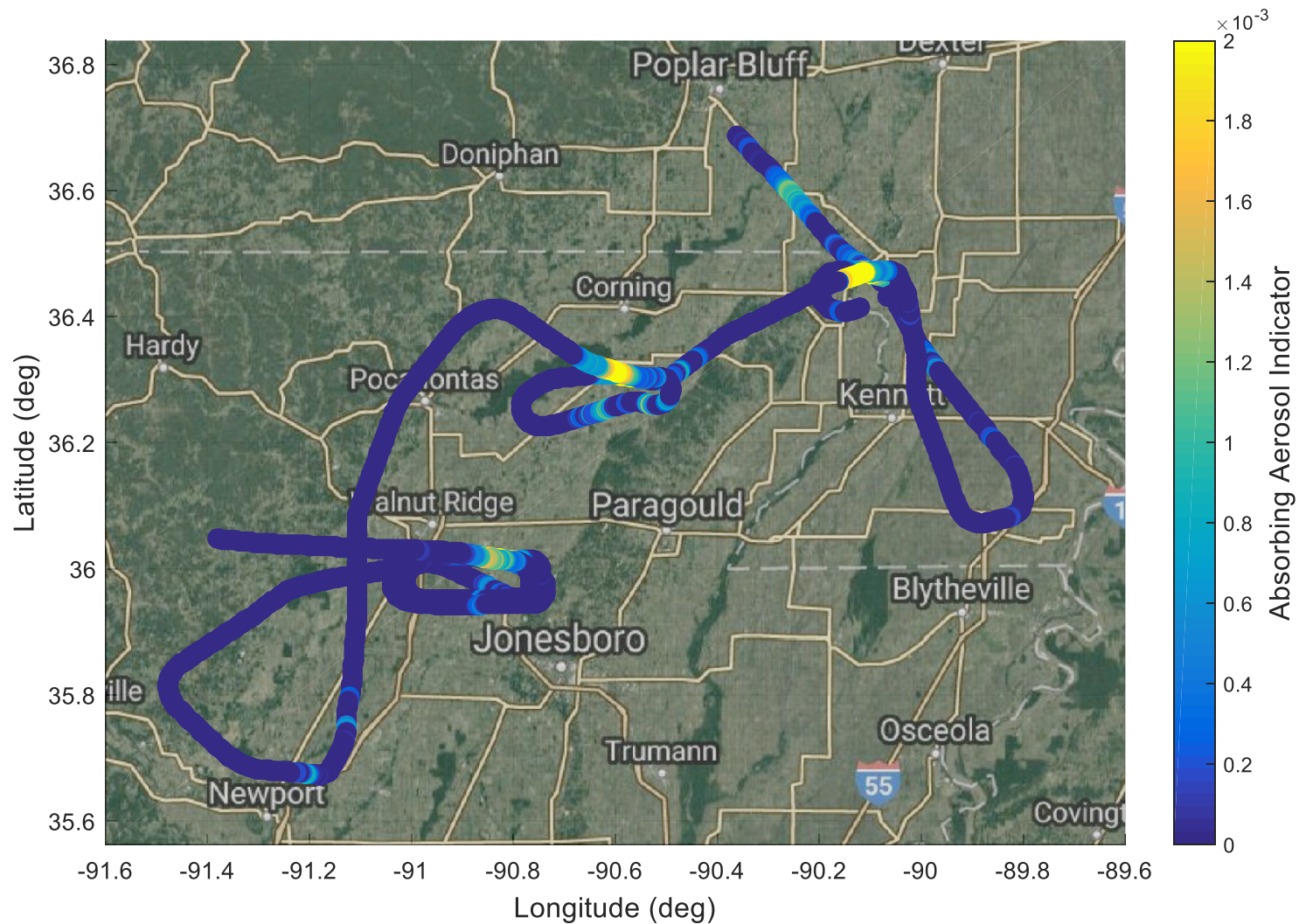




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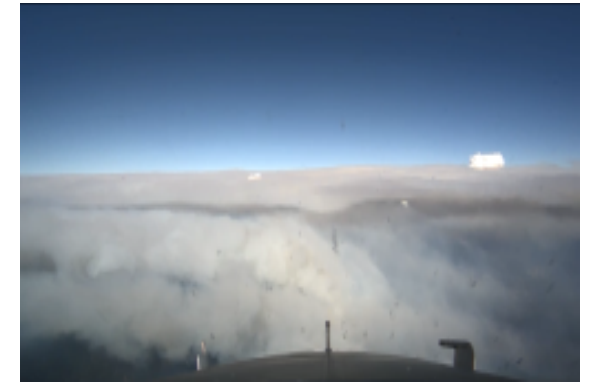
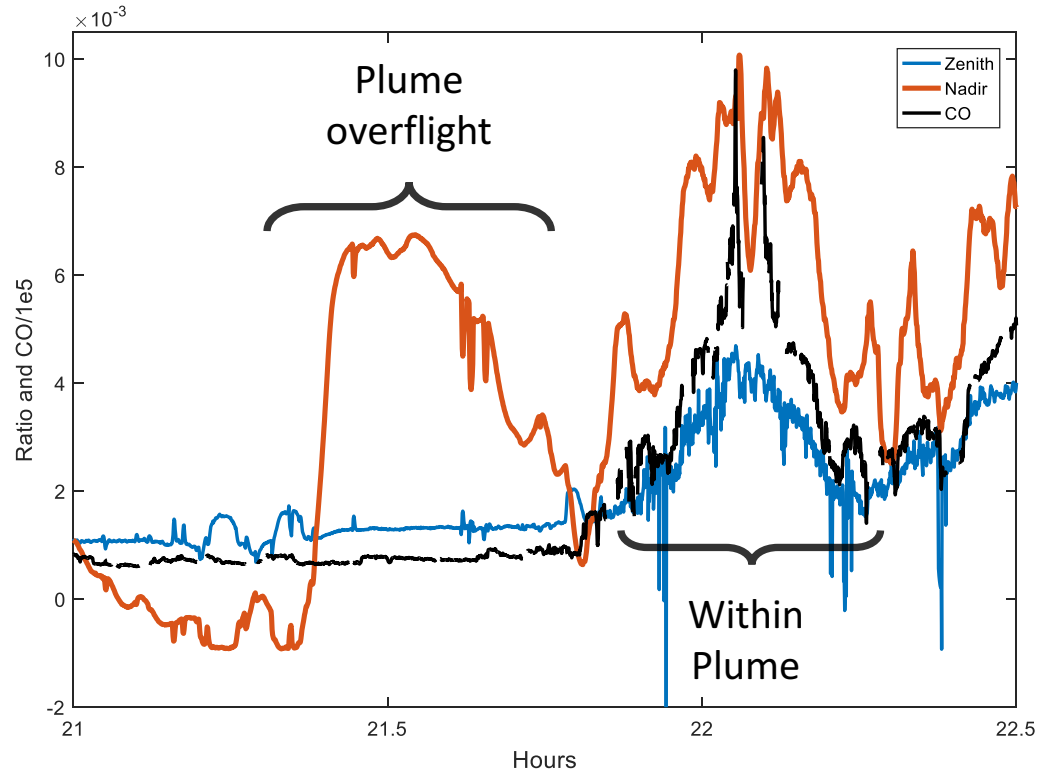


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Smoke Detector

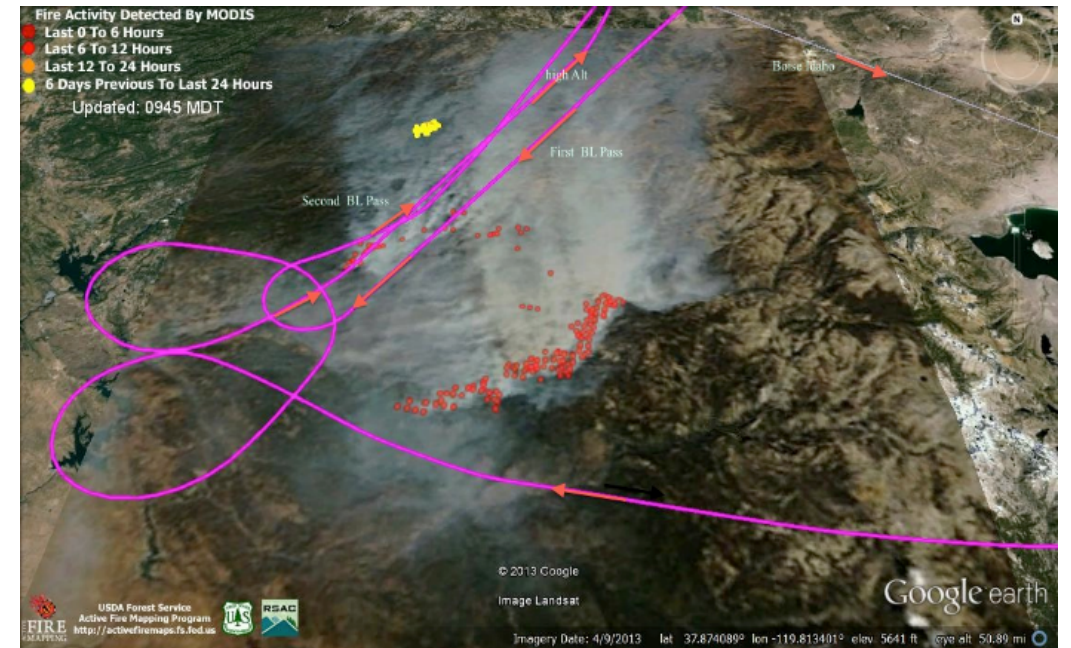
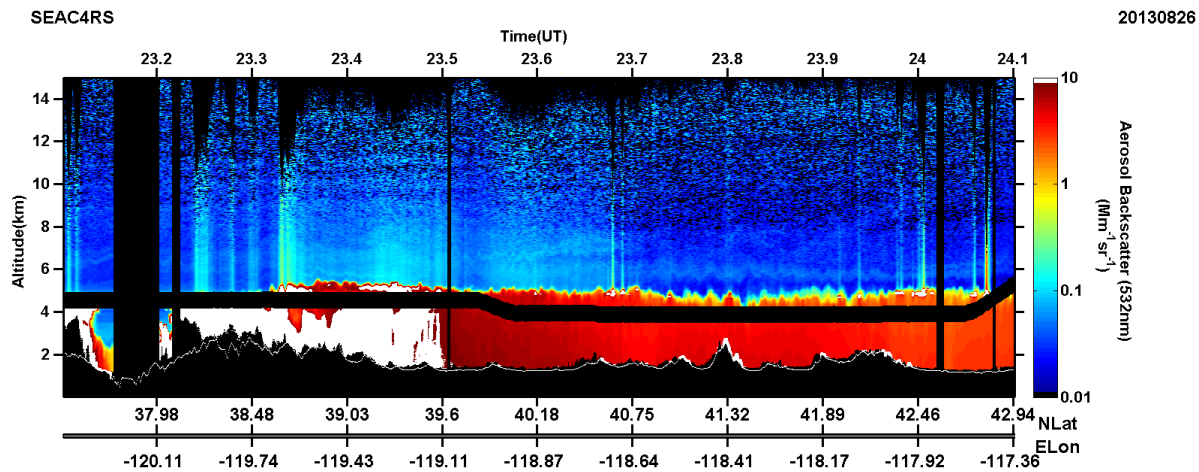




# SEAC4RS Rim Fire from the NASA DC-8



<https://asp-archive.arc.nasa.gov/SEAC4RS/N817NA/Video/>





# Summary

- Finding data takes some effort
- Retrieving data takes some effort
- Learn about the measurements and pitfalls
- Read data headers
- Data merges are your friend
- Always contact the PI

