Two New ARM Sites in 2013



Azores

The **Azores** are an island group in the **Eastern North Atlantic (ENA)** ocean in a region characterized by marine stratocumulus. Marine stratocumulus have a strong influence on climate yet are poorly represented in global climate models.

Managed by the TWP/AMF team at Los Alamos



Oliktok Point

The **Oliktok Point** site is located approximately 300 km Southeast of the existing ARM site in Barrow and provides an opportunity to link coastal conditions from the standard ARM measurement suite with near-coast conditions using an **Unmanned Aerial System** (UAS).

Managed by the NSA team at Sandia

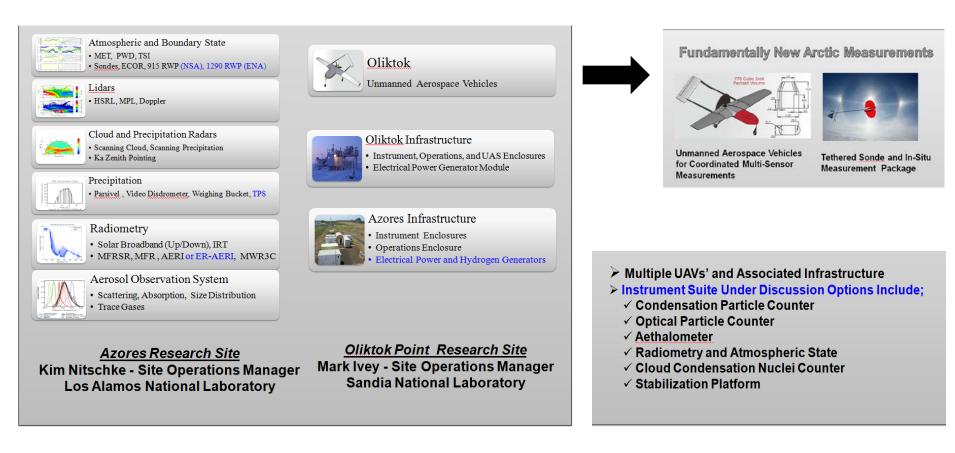
- Sites scheduled to come on line by end of FY13
- The facility at Oliktok Point is a mobile facility deployed for an extended term
- Instruments at these sites match those found at other sites including many of the enhancements added through the Recovery Act and plans to add UAS at Oliktok

Azores Site on Graciosa Island



The new Azores site is expected to be on Graciosa island near the site of the 2009/10 Mobile Facility deployment.

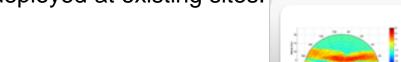
Instrumentation for the New ARM Sites



Issues under discussion include characteristics of Azores precipitation radar (X- or C-band) and characteristics of the UAS and associated payload.

Cloud and Precipitation Measurements

The original AMF deployment included a vertically pointing W-band radar and for a short portion of the deployment, the Scanning W-band ARM Cloud Radar (SWACR). The ENA site will add a cm-wavelength precipitation radar and will include the same type of dual frequency scanning radar now deployed at existing sites.

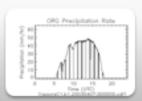


Cloud and Precipitation Radars

- · Scanning Cloud, Scanning Precipitation
- Ka Zenith Pointing

The characterization of precipitation will be aided by several types of groundbased measurements including a reference weighing budget and two types of disdrometers (the Oliktok site only will also include a Total Precipitation

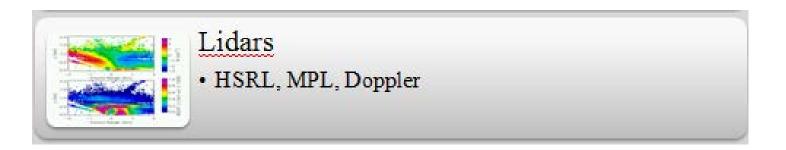
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Precipitation

Parsivel, Video Disdrometer, Weighing Bucket, TPS

Lidars at the Azores and Oliktok Point



Both the Azores and Oliktok sites will include three lidar systems (in addition to the boundary layer oriented ceilometer):

- Micropulse Lidar (MPL): Dual Polarization Lidar, standard across all ARM sites, primarily for Cloud Boundaries.
- High Spectral Resolution Lidar (HSRL): Improved measurements of aerosol and cloud extinction profiles.
- Doppler Lidar: Provides radial Doppler velocity. Primarily operated in vertical-pointing mode to observe vertical velocity but is capable of scanning.