

### **ASR Science Team Meeting**

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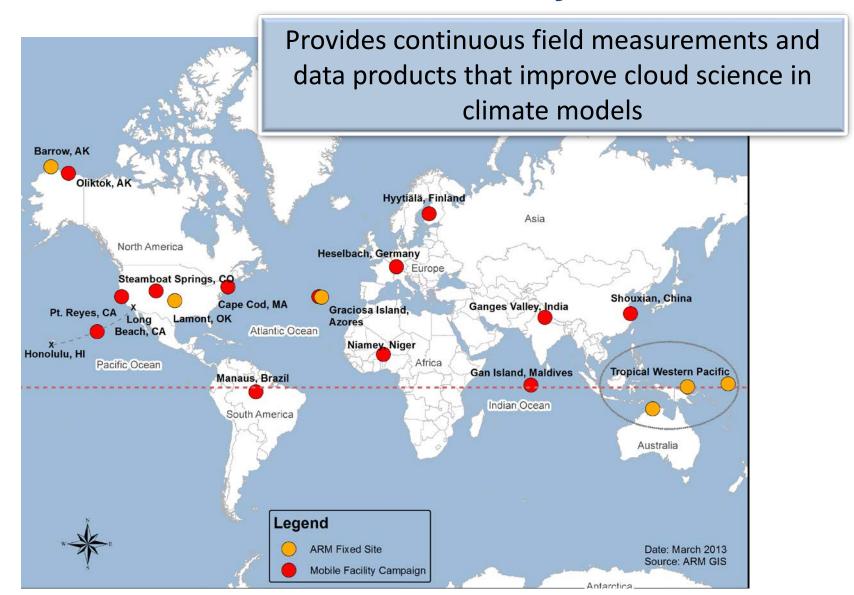
## **ARM Climate Research Facility**

The ARM Climate Research Facility provides observations that are essential for addressing the role of clouds and aerosols in climate.

ARM operates *in situ* and remote sensing observatories in climatically distinct locations to sample continental and marine conditions in tropical, midlatitude, and Arctic environments.

- Four fixed sites (U.S. Southern Great Plains, Tropical Western Pacific, North Slope of Alaska, and the Azores)
- Three mobile facilities for experiments in under observed regions critical for model improvement.
- Aerial measurement capability to complement the ground measurements.

# DOE Scientific User Facility ARM Climate Research Facility



## **Supporting Climate Research**

- Continuously enhance the facility to provide better service
- Convene workshops for recommendations on site enhancements and use
- ASR working groups provide input on facility priorities
- ARM Science Board reviews all major resource requests for use of the sites
- OMB tracks operations and user metrics on quarterly basis

### **ARM Current Activities**

- Two Column Aerosol Project continues. Both intensive operations periods incorporating the G1 and the MAOS completed
- The MAGIC campaign is capturing valuable marine cloud data
- Between June and October, the ARM Aerial Facility will deploy the Gulfstream-1 (G-1) research aircraft to measure aerosol and trace gas emitted by biomass burning
- Flights continue to measure trace gases over and around the ARM Southern Great Plains site

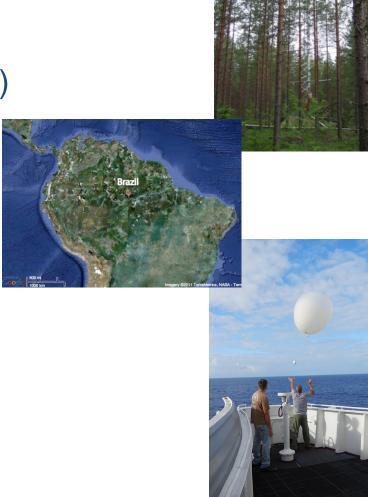


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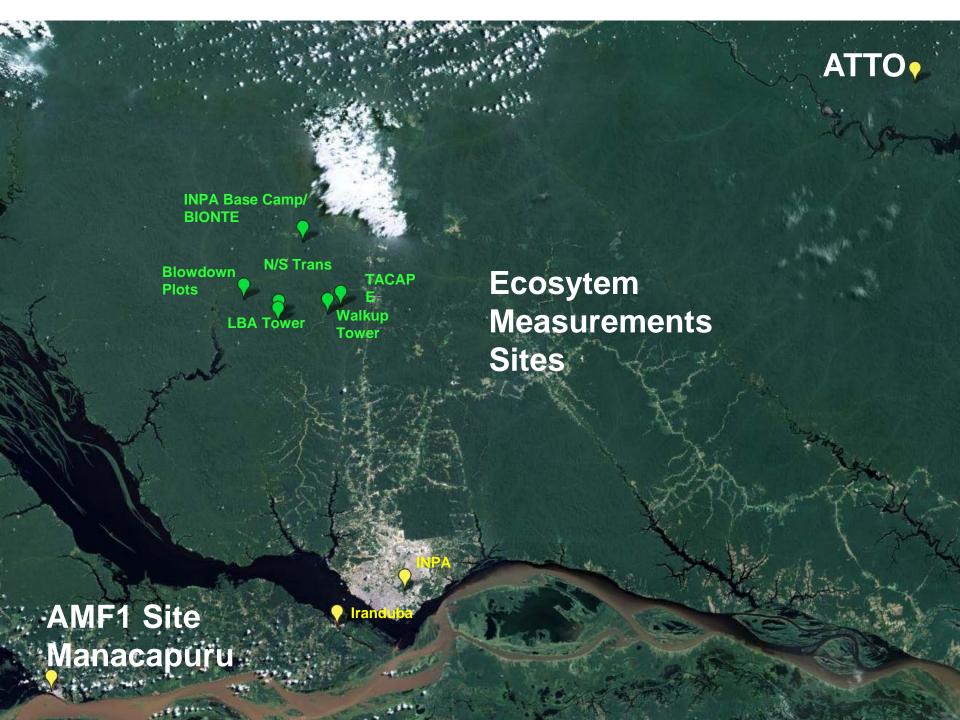
 Plans are underway to send the second mobile facility to Finland to investigate the formation and evolution of organic aerosols from northern boreal forests (Feb. 3, 2014)

 Plans continue for the GOAmazon experiment for study of coupled atmosphere-cloud-terrestrial tropical systems. (2014-2015)

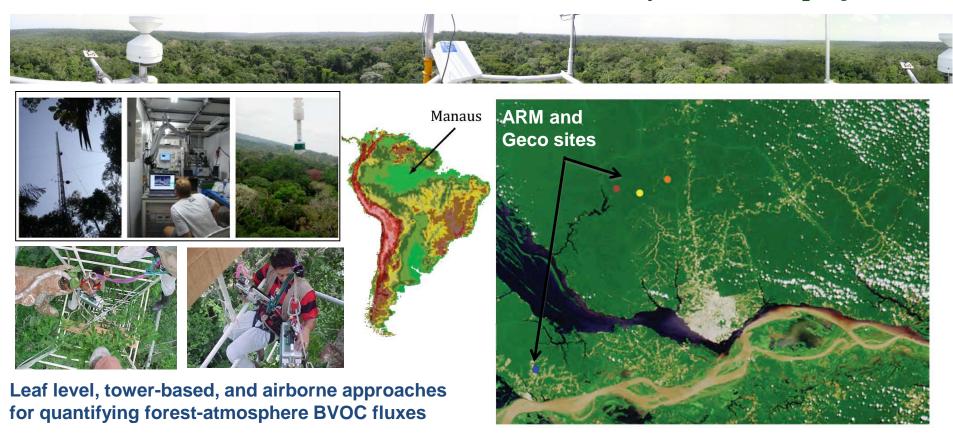
 Plans continue to deploy the AMF2 and G-1 along with NOAA resources to obtain measurements to characterize atmospheric processes over the Pacific (2015)







#### Green ocean Amazon (GoAmazon) terrestrial ecosystem (Geco) project



# Geco will provide processes-level BVOC fluxes for the GoAmazon campaign

# ARM/ASR/European Workshop

- November 6–8, 2012 in Washington, DC
- 36 noted scientists were invited 18 US and 18 European
- 8 Countries represented: Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States
- Observational, process research, and modeling experts were represented
- Report available on http://science.energy.gov/~/media/ber/pdf/CESD\_EUwork shop\_report.pdf

# **Workshop Goals and Scope**

#### Goals

- Identify outstanding climate change science challenges of common interest to US and the EU
- Develop joint observational strategies and data sharing to address common challenges
- Explore a set of actions to enhance collaborations via funding instruments and common infrastructures

#### Scientific scope:

- Process studies: clouds, aerosols, and precipitation
- Observational strategies: ground- and aerial-based observations.

# Scientific Questions – common to EU and DOE - derived from working groups

- 1. What is the distribution of aerosol properties for the Atmospheric Model Intercomparison Project (AMIP) period (i.e., since 1979)?
- 2. What is the coupling among microphysics, aerosols, and cloud dynamics as a function of scale and regime (e.g., vertical velocity or stability)?
- 3. How are precipitation, water vapor and cloudiness coupled, and what roles does organization play in this coupling?
- 4. How do clouds and precipitation couple with surface properties?
- 5. What is the response of clouds to warming?
- 6. What is the response of the probability density function (PDF) of precipitation to warming?

# **Key Workshop Recommendations**

- 1. Establish a bilateral steering committee
  - Develop collaboration mechanisms and instruments
  - Oversee parallel bilateral working groups
  - Develop and execute strategies of common interest
- 2. Establish a set of six working groups (WGs) to coordinate among the key DOE and EU ground-based remote sensing centers
  - Radar calibration
  - Microwave radiometry
  - Retrievals including instrument simulators
  - Integrated Data Portal
  - Initialization Data Sets
  - Operational use of Large Eddy Simulations at supersites and during field campaigns

# **Key Workshop Recommendations**

3. Coordinate participation in major field campaigns

• GOAmazon FY14-15

• Atlantic Observations FY14-15

• Arctic Sea Ice Study FY16

Southern Ocean Observations
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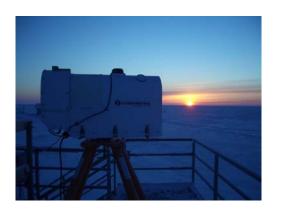
### Subsequent actions: post-workshop

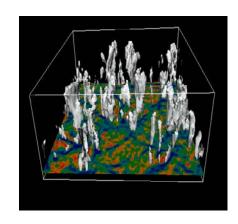
- Steering Committee established, meeting once each month to ensure progress, and coordinate bilateral team meetings, develop strategies, and execute plans
  - Wanda Ferrell, BER
  - Susanne Crewell. University of Cologne
  - Ashley Williamson, BER
  - Gelsomina Pappalardo, Institute of Methodologies for Environmental Research - Italian National Research Council
  - Björn Stevens, Max-Planck-Institut für Meteorologie
- First action
  - Establish the six working groups, each with mission to explore actionable collaborations to be taken to Steering Committee for decision (and execution).

## **ARM/ASR/European Working Groups**

- Radar calibration (Nitin Bharadwaj and Herman Russchenberg)
- Microwave radiometry (Nico Cimini and Maria Cadeddu)
- Retrievals (Jennifer Comstock and Ulrich Löhnert)
- Integrated Data Portal (Ewan O'Connor and Jimmy Voyles)
- Initialization Data Sets (Shaocheng Xie and Martial Haeffelin
- Operational use of LES (Felix Ament and Graham Feingold)







#### **Collaboration with India**

#### MOU with Indian Institute of Science

- Conduct joint experiments
- Support exchange of scientists
- Data sharing

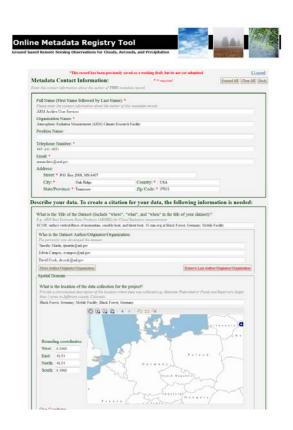




### **Collaborative Tools**

- Online Metadata Editor
- Data Portal
- Wiki





#### Data Portal for Ground-based Remote Sensing Observations for Clouds, Aerosols, and Precipitation



A U.S./European Search Portal to Discover and Access Data for Atmospheric Science and Climate Research

#### **Data Search Tool**

This data portal provides free and open access and an approach for sharing complementary data products and associated information between atmospheric science and climate research activities of the U.S. and Europe.

#### **Data Types**

Atmospheric State and Properties Cloud Properties

Radiometric

Aerosols

Surface State and Properties

Inter-comparison of Physical Retrievals

Model Initialization

Model Output and Performance

#### **Data Providers**

ARM Climate Research Facility (i)

Aerosols, Clouds, and Trace gases Research InfraStructure Network (ACTRIS) (i)

#### **Data Portal for Ground-based Remote Sensing Observations**

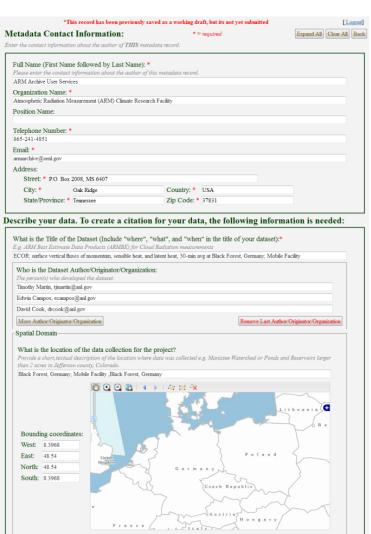


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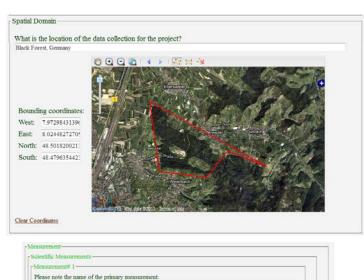
### **Metadata Registry Tool**

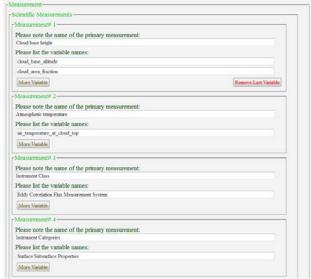
# Online Metadata Registry Tool Ground-based Remote Sensing Observations for Clouds, Aerosols, and Precipitation



# Metadata Registry Tool







#### **ARM Data Sessions and Resources**

- Lunch, Monday and Wednesday
  - ARM Data Archive User Interface
  - NetCDF Tutorials
- ARM Data Kiosk
  - Ask ARM
  - Online Metadata Editor demo
  - Portal demos
  - A sign-up sheet that will be provided at the registration desk for those interested in attending sessions at the Kiosk