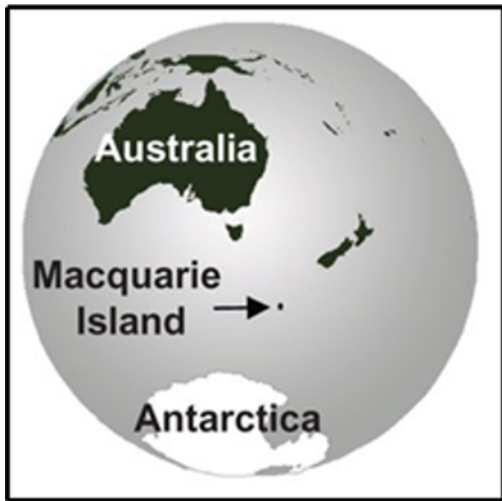


# Macquarie Island Clouds and Radiation Experiment (MICRE) Overview

(Roj Marchand, Simon Alexander and Alain Protat)



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McFarquhar et al. (BAMS 2020): Overview of CAPRICORN, MARCUS, MICRE and SOCRATES, DOI: 10.1175/BAMS-D-20-0132.1

## Instrument & Retrieval Products

- ARM Instrument data: (ARM archive, sitename mcq)
  - Broadband fluxes (gndrad, skyrad, soon **qcrad**).
  - Microwave Radiometer (mwrlos and mwrret)
- BoM/AAD Instrumentation data:
  - Radiosondes, Surface Met
  - W-band cloud radar (BASTA) – first year only
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  - Sky camera
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- Ceilometer (ceil)
- Cimel sunphotometer (csphot)

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- Documenting seasonal, synoptic and diurnal variations in clouds and radiation and evaluating satellite datasets
  - Surface SW and LW downwelling fluxes and comparing these with CERES SYN and EBAF surface fluxes
  - Surface Precipitation and comparing these with CloudSat precipitation characteristics.
  - Now working on cloud macro- and microphysical properties ... and modeling studies ...



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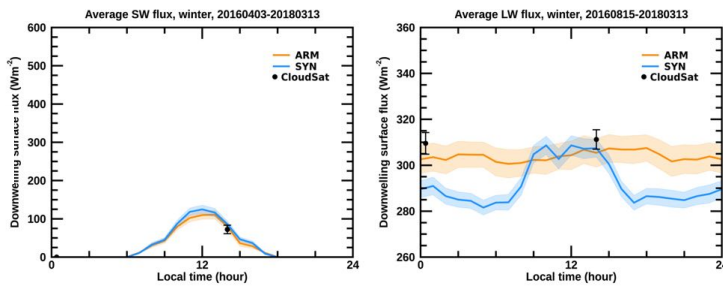
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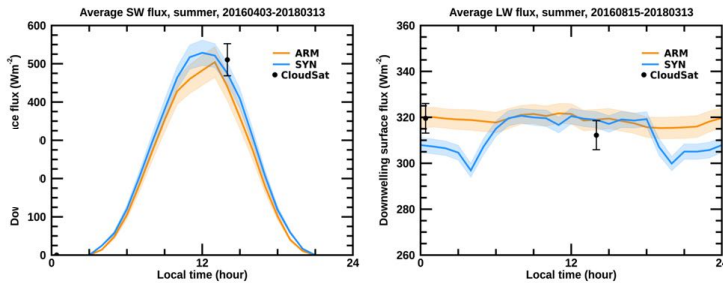
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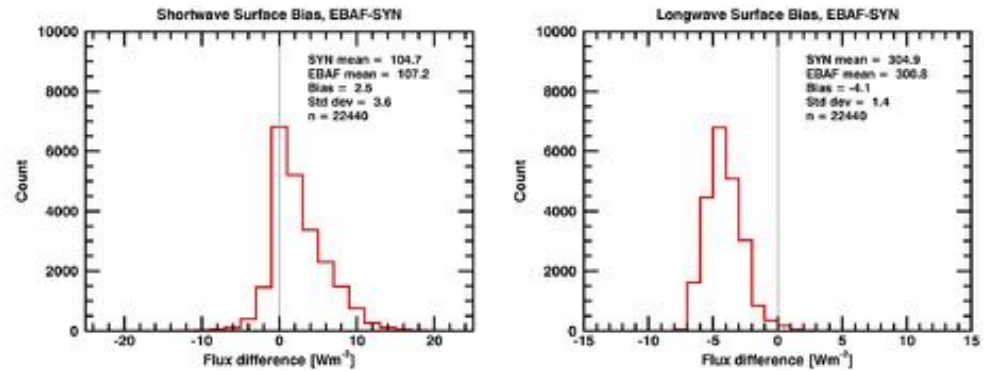
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### Key Points:

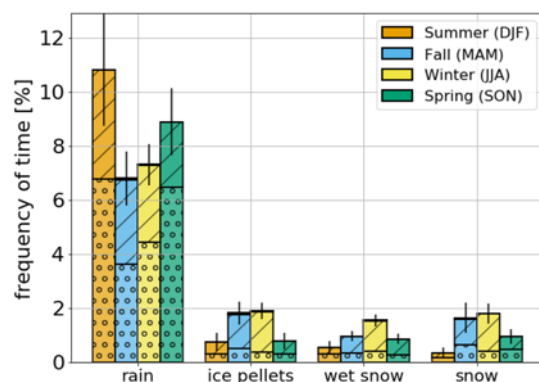
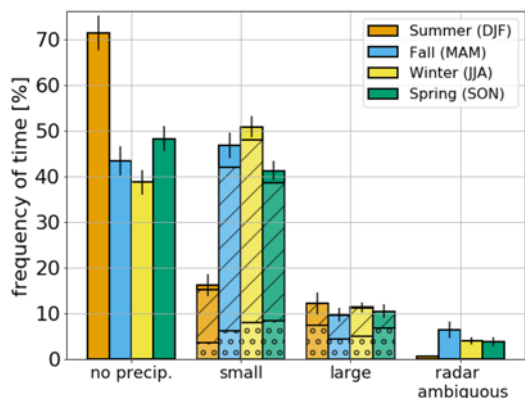
- CERES and CloudSat-CALIPSO surface shortwave (SW) and longwave (LW) fluxes compare well with observations with **annual mean** fluxes differences smaller than  $\sim 10 \text{ W/m}^2$ .
- There are, however, larger and significant seasonal and diurnal differences.
- CERES SYN LW surface fluxes are smaller at night ( $-16 \text{ W m}^{-2}$ ), which explains most of the seasonally varying bias.
- And is due to incorrect cloud base for low clouds.

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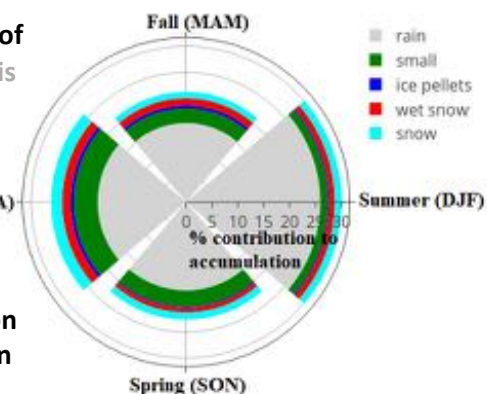
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## Based on Blend of Parsivel Laser Disdrometer/Tipping Bucket/Radar data



Seasonal Frequency of Occurrence (striped is shallow, dot is deep)

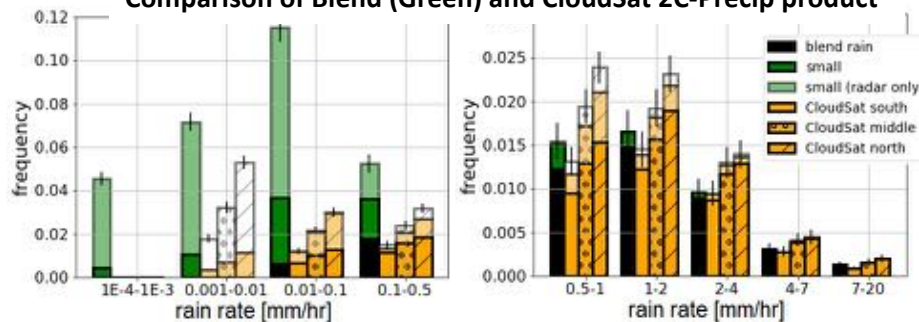
Seasonal contribution to total accumulation by type.



### Key Points:

- Surface or near-surface precipitation occurs very frequently  
→ 46% of the time annually / 35% of the time small drops ( $D < 1$  mm).
- Rain, ice and mixed phase precip. occur in all seasons.  
→ Rain = 75%, ice/mixed phase = 12%, and small particle precip. = 13% of the total annual accumulation.
- The CloudSat 2C-Precip-Column product  
→ Total accumulation is slightly overestimated.  
→ Misses much of the lightest precipitation.  
→ Overestimates the occurrence of mixed phase precipitation.  
→ Distribution of rain rates compare well with surface data for rates  $> 0.5$  mm/hr.

### Comparison of Blend (Green) and CloudSat 2C-Precip product



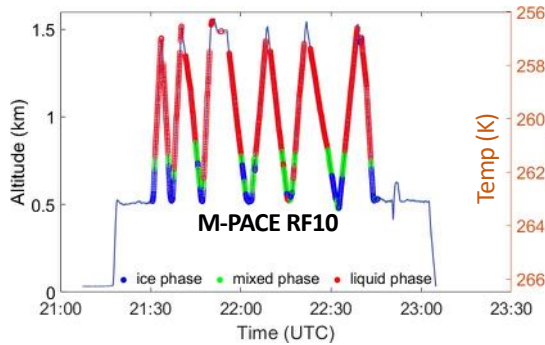
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## Objectives

1. Examine mixed phase cloud (MPC) characteristics in high latitudes in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres
2. Evaluate MPC in DOE Energy Exascale Earth System Model (E3SM) model



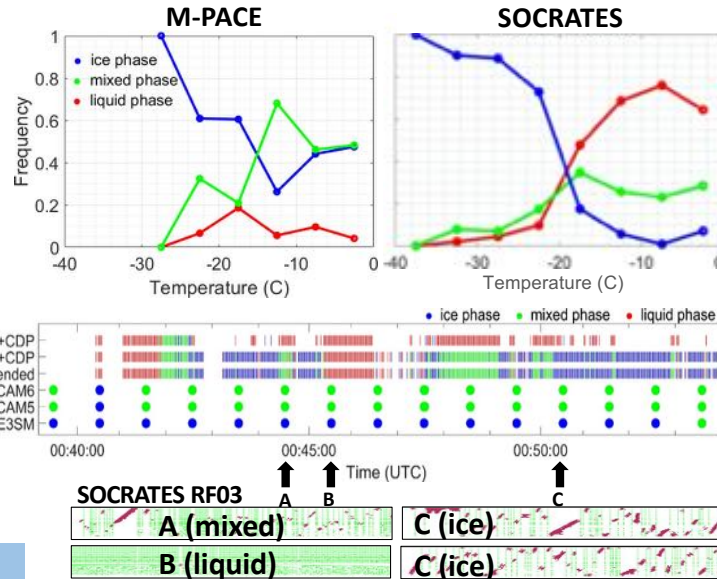
## Aircraft Measurements

1. DOE M-PACE 2004 (Alaska, 70 – 72 °N)
2. NSF SOCRATES 2018 (Tasmania, 40 – 65 °S)

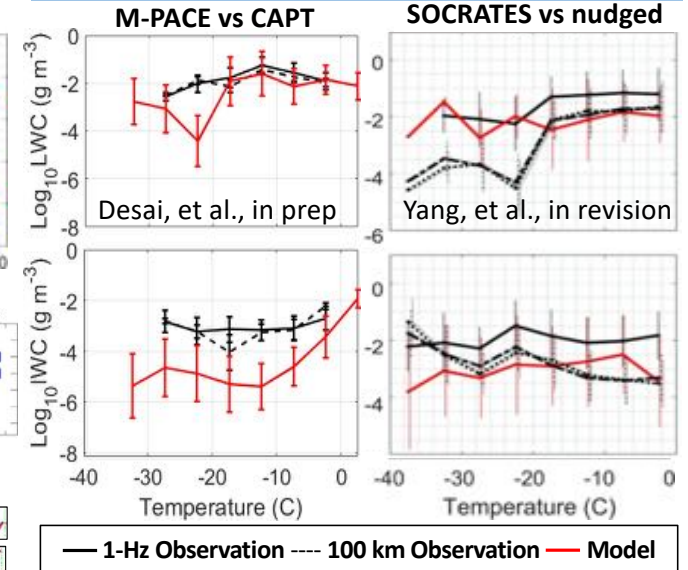
## Model Simulations

1. E3SM in CAPT (Cloud-Associated Parameterizations Testbed) mode
2. E3SM in nudged mode

## Observations



## Comparison with E3SM



## Key Findings and Planned Work

1. Observations show vertical stratifications of cloud phase in many cases
2. E3SM shows improvement of allowing more supercooled liquid water than NCAR CAM5
3. E3SM consistently underestimates IWC, but LWC is well represented at -20 to 0°C.
4. Planned work: Secondary ice production (SIP) and ice nucleating particles (INP) in high latitudes

Minghui Diao – Thursday June 24 Poster 2-3 pm ET ([minghui.diao@sjsu.edu](mailto:minghui.diao@sjsu.edu))

Mixed phase cloud processes and Aerosol Indirect Effect over Southern Ocean and Antarctica

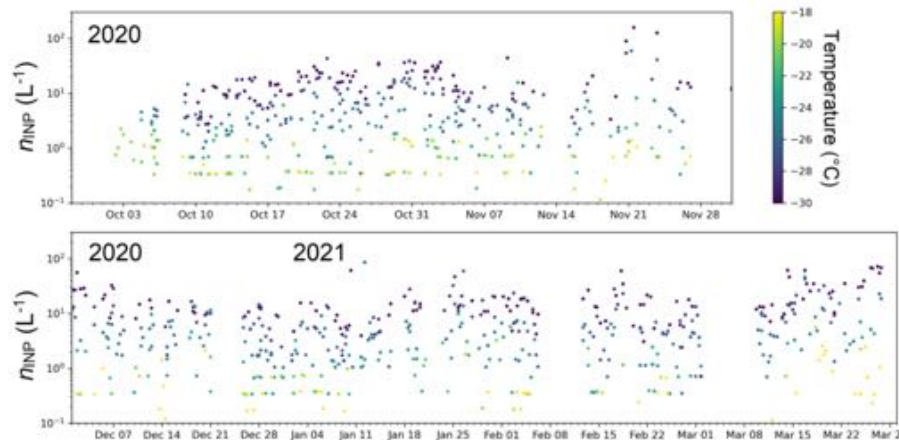


## Ice-nucleating particle concentration measurements from the ARM Eastern North Atlantic (ENA) and Southern Great Plains (SGP) sites

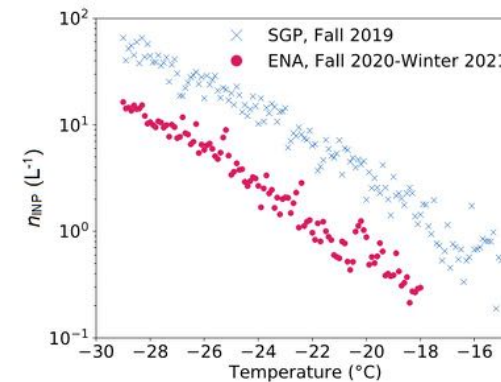
**Objective:** Generating new ambient INP data from the ARM mega-sites

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**Key Findings:** The terrestrial SGP site has higher  $n_{\text{INP}}$  across the range of examined temperatures than  $n_{\text{INP}}$  from the marine predominant ENA<sup>[1]</sup>. A moderate correlation between  $n_{\text{INP}}$  and cloud condensation nuclei concentration ( $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ , 0.1% super saturation) was observed at ENA ( $\rho = 0.47$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ), and the correlation was higher in Fall ( $\rho = 0.81$ ).



The time series plot of the ice crystal concentration ( $n_{\text{ice}}$ ,  $\text{L}^{-1}$  air) for temperatures below  $-18\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  during the ENA campaign. The portable ice nucleation experiment chamber<sup>[2]</sup> measured  $n_{\text{ice}}$  for  $\sim 200$  days from October 2020 to March 2021. Time averaged data (6 hour) of  $n_{\text{ice}}$  at the end of individual expansion are shown.



Temperature-binned average  $n_{\text{ice}}$  spectra during SGP campaign (blue Xs) and ENA campaign (pink dots) at each  $0.1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The data uncertainties are discussed and presented in the PI's poster.

- 1) Wilbourn, E. K. et al.: Remote ice-nucleating particle measurements from the Eastern North Atlantic during autumn and winter, <https://doi.org/10.5194/egusphere-egu21-6314>, EGU General Assembly, Online, April 27, 2021.
- 2) Möhler, O. et al.: The Portable Ice Nucleation Experiment (PINE): a new online instrument for laboratory studies and automated long-term field observations of ice-nucleating particles, *Atmos. Meas. Tech.*, 14, 1143–1166, <https://doi.org/10.5194/amt-14-1143-2021>, 2021.

# Improving the understanding of cold-air outbreak cloud regime using COMBLE observations and numerical simulations

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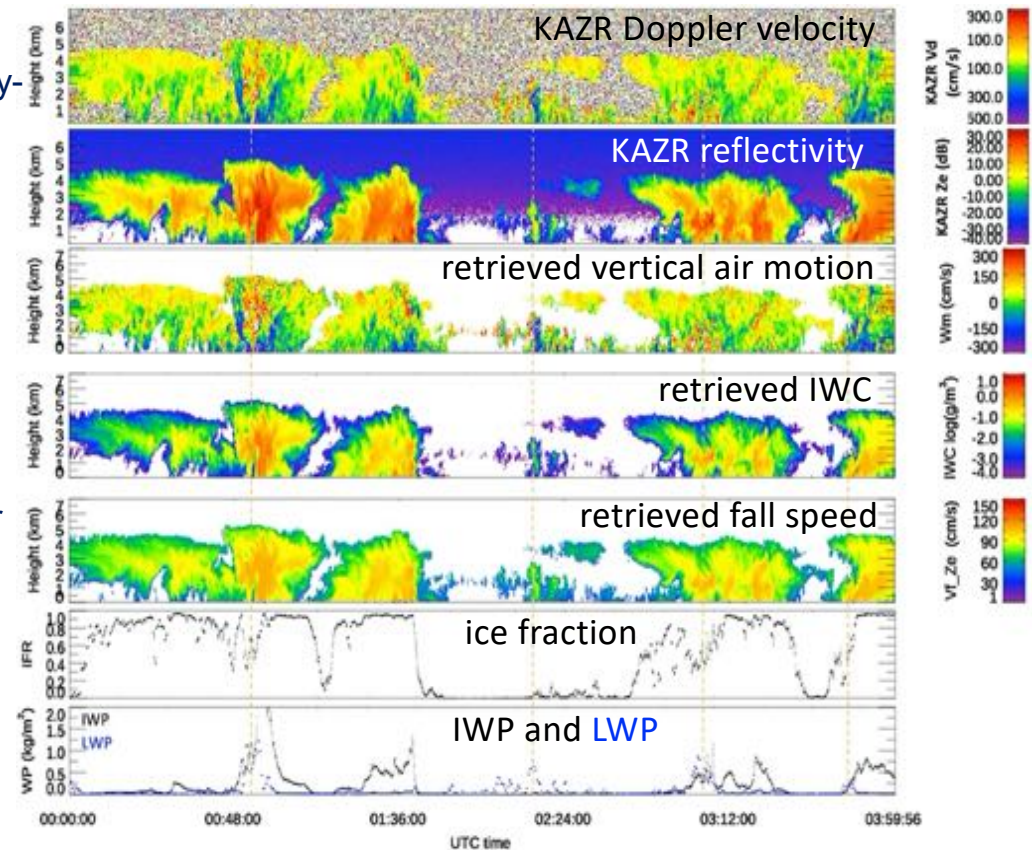
In collaboration with Bart Geerts and Min Deng from University of Wyoming

## Objective

- to explore the role of clouds and precipitation on the boundary-layer circulations that control the CAO cloud macrostructure

## Planned works

- Numerical simulations of selected COMBLE CAO events (an KAZR-based case study shown on the right)
- COMBLE datasets for model validation
  - vertical thermodynamic and wind structure, at Andenes and Bear Island
    - ✓ INTERPSONDE
  - vertical cloud and precipitation structure, at Andenes
    - ✓ KAZR, WSACR, and KASACR (*reflectivity, Doppler velocity and spectral width*); MWR (*liquid water path*); MPL (*backscatter power and depolarization ratio*)
    - ✓ retrieved variables: *cloud top height* (KAZR), *vertical air motion* (KAZR), *ice water content* (KAZR), *ice fraction ratio* (KAZR, MWR), and *ice particle effective diameter* (KAZR and MPL)
- Sensitivity runs to test hypotheses of cloud and precipitation processes in mixed-phase CAO clouds



Case study of an intense CAO event over Andenes on 03/29/2020

# Precipitation Occurrence Frequency over the Mid-Latitude Southern Ocean

McKenna Stanford, Israel Silber, Ann Fridlind, and Alain Protat, Contact: [mws2175@columbia.edu](mailto:mws2175@columbia.edu)

## Goal

Establish precipitation occurrence frequency and intensity rate distribution from liquid cloud base (LCB) over a year of MICRE

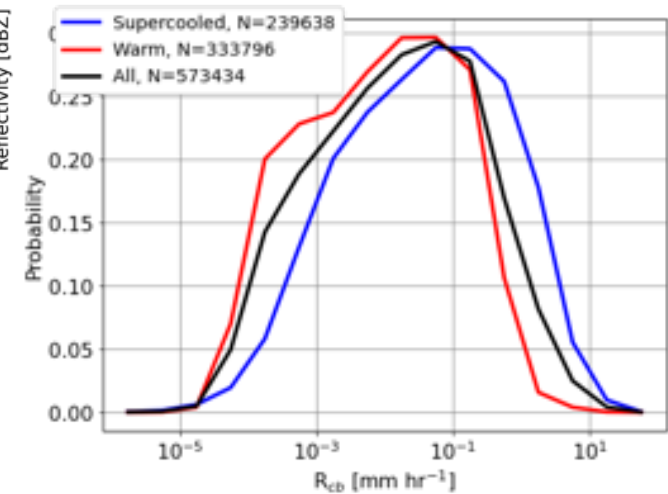
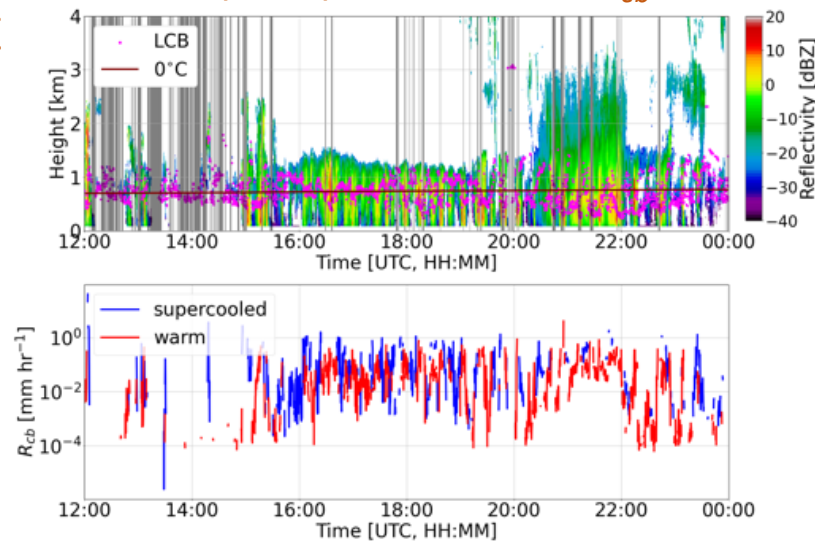
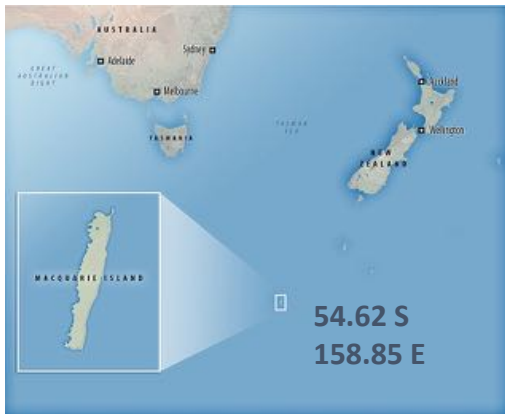
## Approach

Merge 95 GHz radar, ceilometer, & 12-hourly soundings to calculate instantaneous liquid cloud-base precipitation rate ( $R_{cb}$ )

## Findings

Precipitation occurrence frequency from LCB:

**96%**



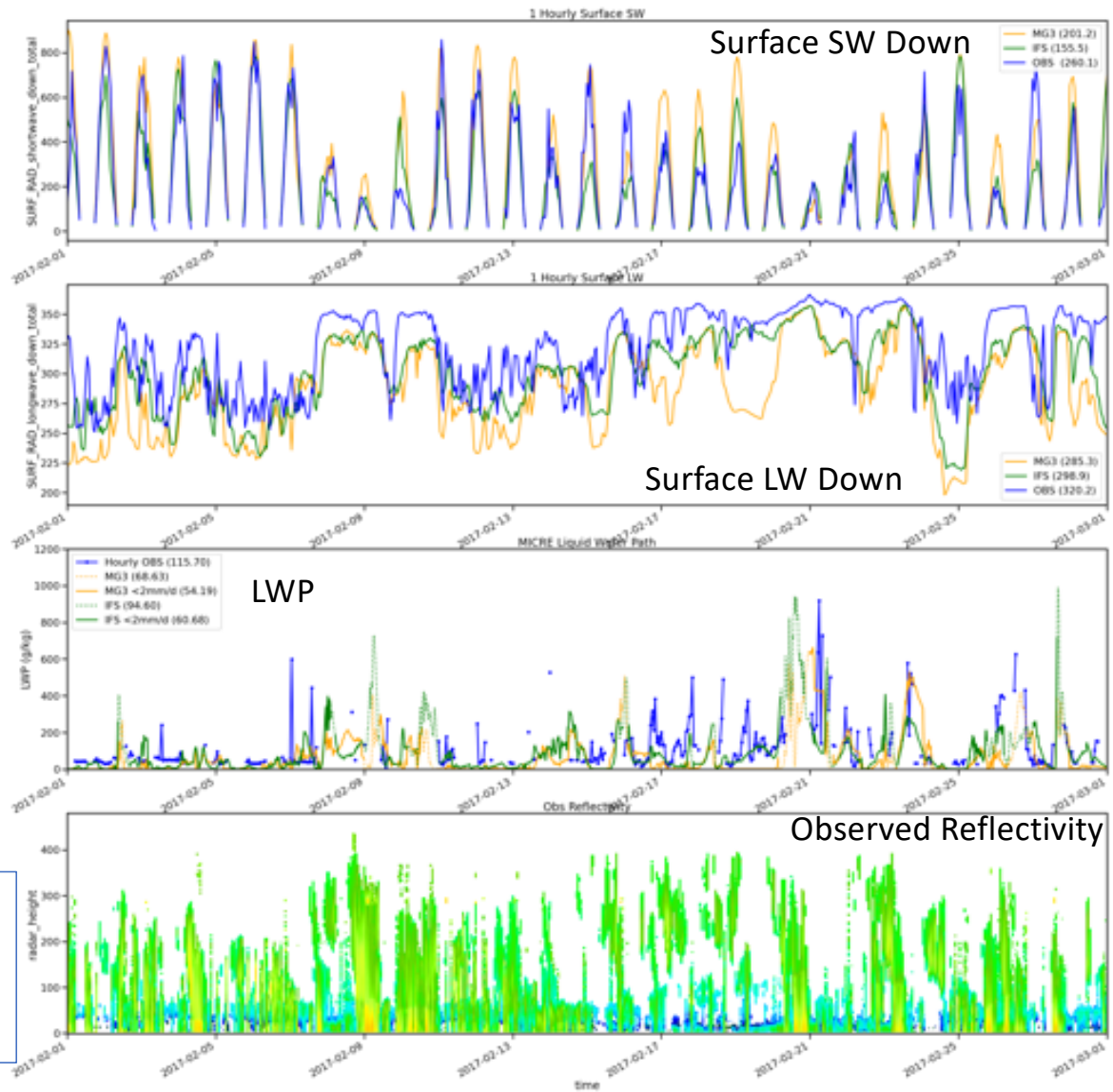


# Evaluating Earth System Models with MICRE Data

A. Gettelman (NCAR), R. Forbes (ECMWF),  
R. Marchand (UW-Seattle)

- MICRE :Macquarie Island, S. Ocean, Jan-Mar 2017
- Single Column forced by observed meteorology
- Perform detailed comparisons to in-situ data
- Focus on cloud microphysics
- Evaluate statistics over 90 days & individual events
- Goal: understand model biases from process level to statistical biases in radiation
- SCM methods will be made available (moving into standard CESM SCM case suite)

**February 2017**  
**MG3 2-moment micro**  
**IFS Microphysics**  
**MICRE Observations**



T.C.J. Hill, P. J. DeMott and MICRE team

**Objective**

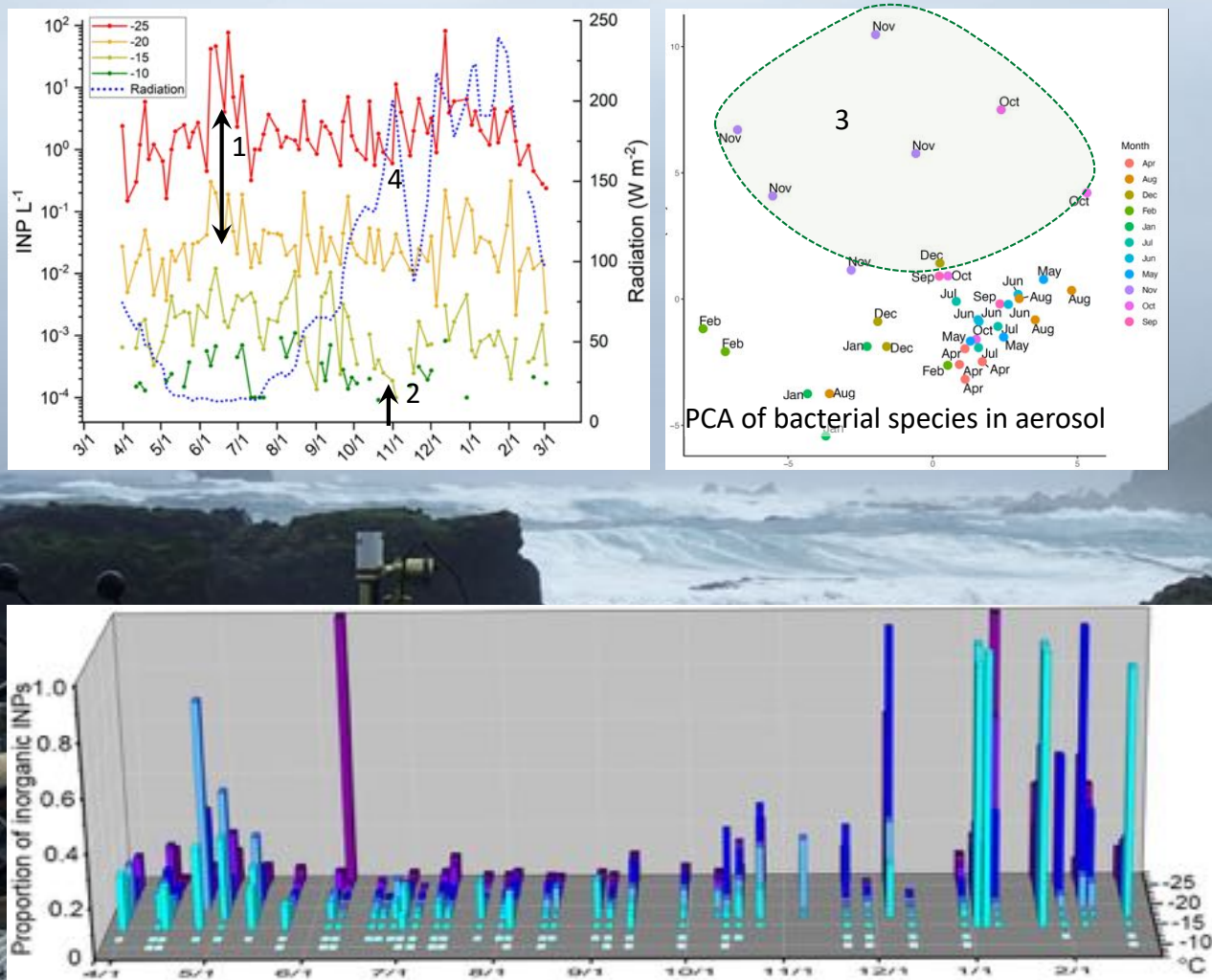
- Over an annual cycle during MICRE (Macquarie Island Cloud and Radiation Experiment), characterize boundary layer INPs: concentrations, seasonal trends, likely sources.

**Findings**

- Seasonal INP variation limited to a peak in mid winter (1) and a decrease at  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$  in spring (2).
- The decrease of INPs at  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$  in spring coincided with a change in bacteria in the aerosol (3), and an increase in solar radiation (4).
- Organic INPs predominated. Inorganic INP relative abundance increased mid summer and fall.

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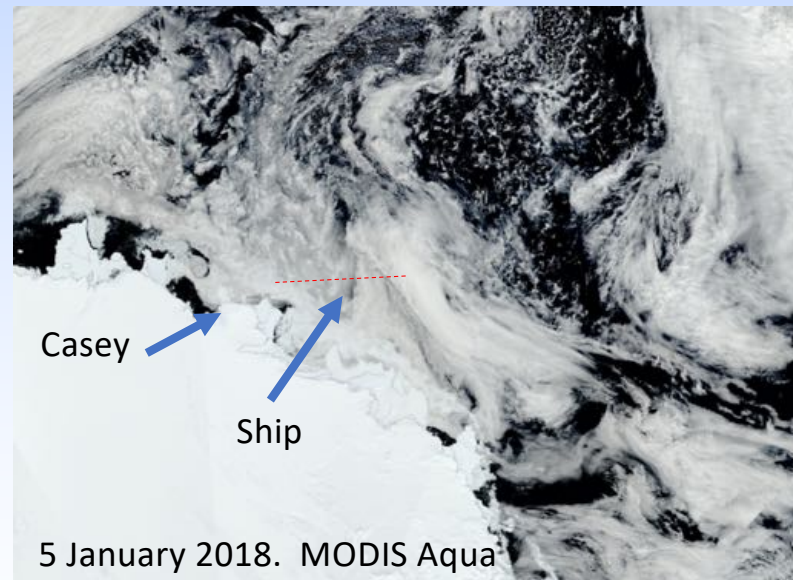
## Concentrations and Characteristics of Ice Nucleating Particles (INPs) at Macquarie Island during MICRE



## High Latitude Aerosol-Cloud Interaction during MARCUS: The role of CCN variability and links to Precipitation

**Jay Mace, R. Humphries, Alain Protat, Peter Gombert, Sally Benson**

- The Southern Ocean (SO) is a pristine region removed from anthropogenic influence .
- Over the broader SO, aerosol and CCN demonstrate large seasonal oscillations thought to be associated with marine biology .
- Over the broader SO, marine Boundary Layer (MBL) Clouds also demonstrate seasonal oscillations in droplet number ( $N_d$ ) .
- **In the Marginal Ice Zone of East Antarctica (MIZ), aerosol numbers and chemistry vary substantially based on air mass history**



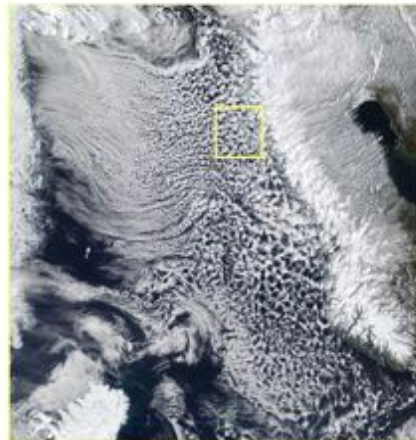


# Lagrangian Simulations of Arctic Cold Air Outbreak Cloud Systems over the Greenland and Norwegian Seas

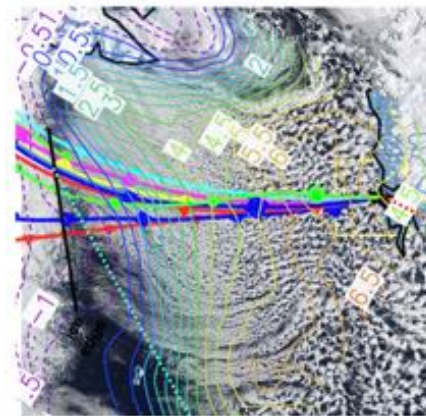
Steven K. Krueger  
 Emina Maric, Xia Li, and Gerald G. Mace  
 University of Utah

Our scientific objectives are to:

- Increase our understanding of how microphysical processes determine macrophysical cloud properties of marine cold-air outbreaks (CAOs).
- Document and understand the life cycle of the large and long-lived mesoscale cells observed in CAOs which may be the result of a new type of convection aggregation.



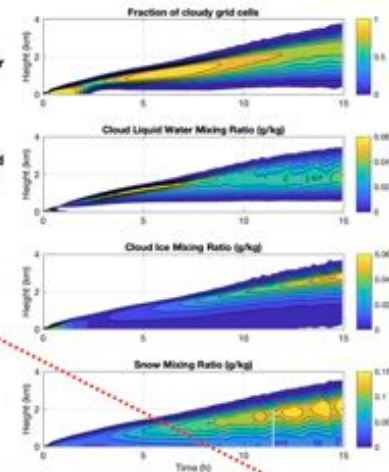
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Contours: SST (deg C)

It is computationally economical to simulate the evolution of the boundary layer in a Lagrangian frame of reference.

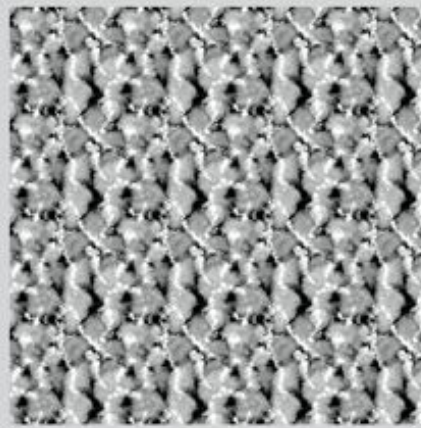
In this approach, the model domain translates with the boundary layer air column, and the lower boundary condition (i.e., SST) changes in time.



MODIS Visible Reflectance



Numerically simulated liquid + ice water path (tiled 4 x 4)

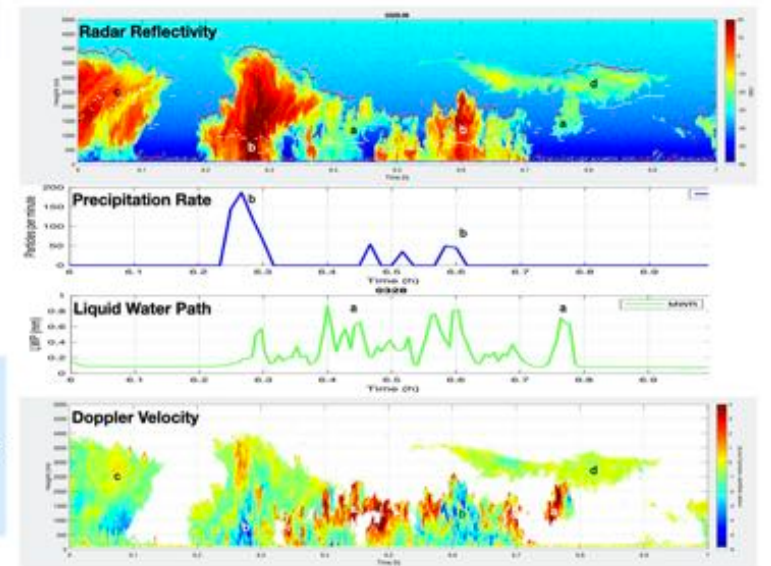


ARM COMBLE measurements made on the coast of Norway.

- (a): convective updrafts are associated with liquid water and low  $Z_e$ .
- (b): convective downdrafts are associated with snowfall at the surface and high  $Z_e$ .
- (c): moderate  $Z_e$ , high lidar-detected cloud base, and weak updrafts above downdrafts suggest **elevated convection**.
- (d): an elevated, low  $Z_e$  cloud layer with a well-defined base, and little air motion, consists of **small hydrometeors**.

The COMBLE CAO cloud systems are strongly forced, widespread, and long-lasting, with rather simple boundary and initial conditions, and are remarkably repeatable, (but with interesting variations from case to case). In other words, the COMBLE CAO events effectively provide an atmospheric laboratory.

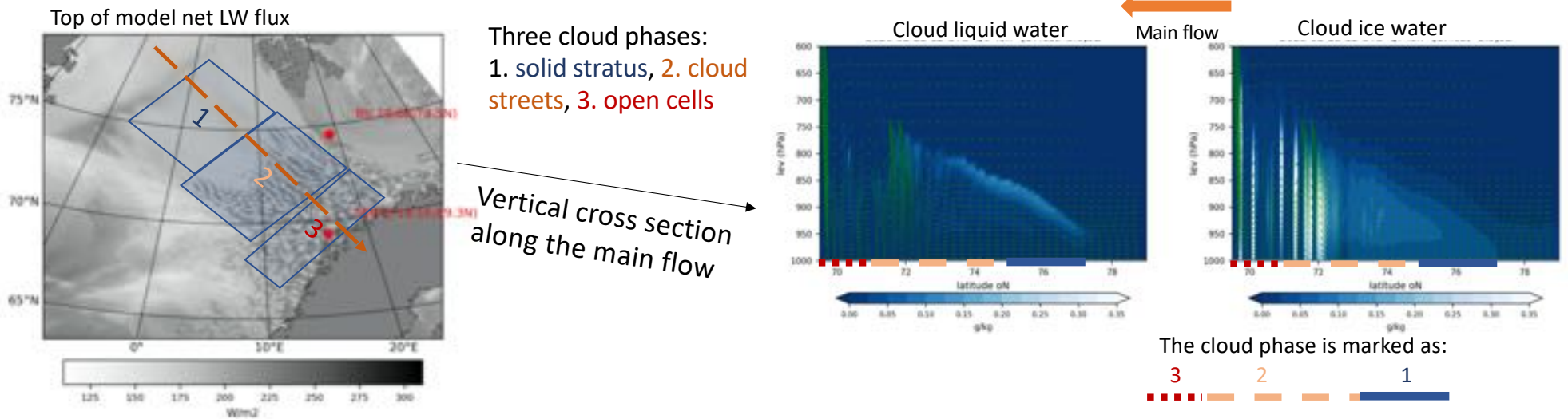
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## The cloud field associated with MCAOs in the E3SM SCREAM simulation

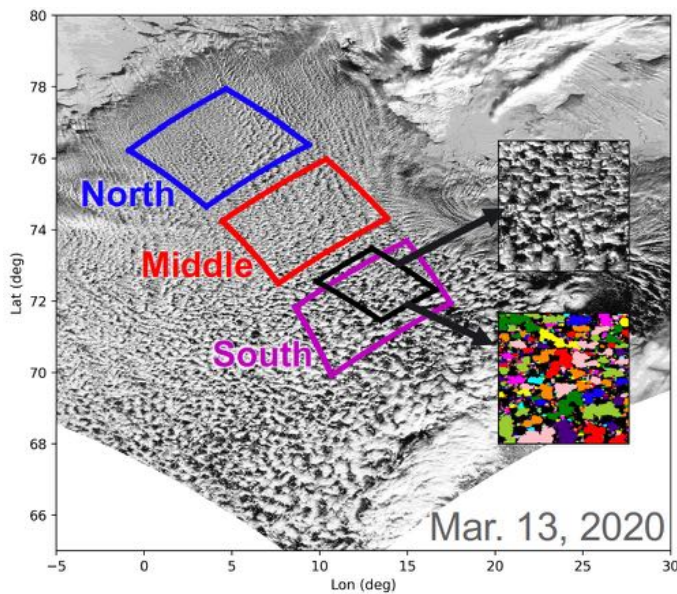


- A new E3SM convection permitting model SCREAM with globally uniform 3.25 km grid spacing.
- We analyzed a MCAO event from a 40-day global SCREAM simulation (Caldwell *et al*, JAMES, under review).
- E3SM SCREAM simulates three cloud phases during the MCAO event (top left panel): phase 1 is lack of cloud streets, and during phase 2 the cloud streets have larger wavelength than the observed cloud streets.
- A thin liquid cloud is at the top of the ice cloud during the growth of the PBL (phases 1 & 2), while deeper ice clouds associated with clear small-scale vertical circulations occur at phases 2 & 3 (top right panels).

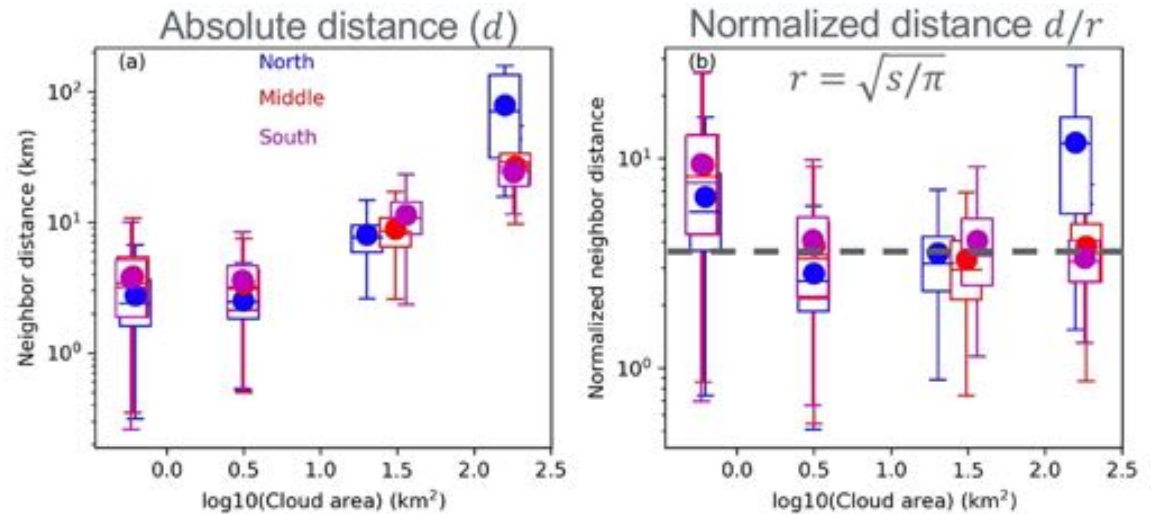
# Cloud morphology evolution in Arctic cold-air outbreak: A COMBLE case study

Peng Wu and Mikhail Ovchinnikov, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

1. Identify individual clouds using an image segmentation procedure on MODIS reflectance field; obtain cloud areas ( $s$ )



2. For each cloud, identify nearest neighbors from the same area category



- Absolute neighbor distance increases exponentially with cloud area
- Except for very small clouds ( $s < 1 \text{ km}^2$ ) and biggest clouds in the north, normalized neighbor distance converges to 3.5  
→ comparably sized clouds are separated by a distance of  $3.5 r$

Next: Apply the same approach to ARM scanning radars and model simulations to study cloud morphology statistics

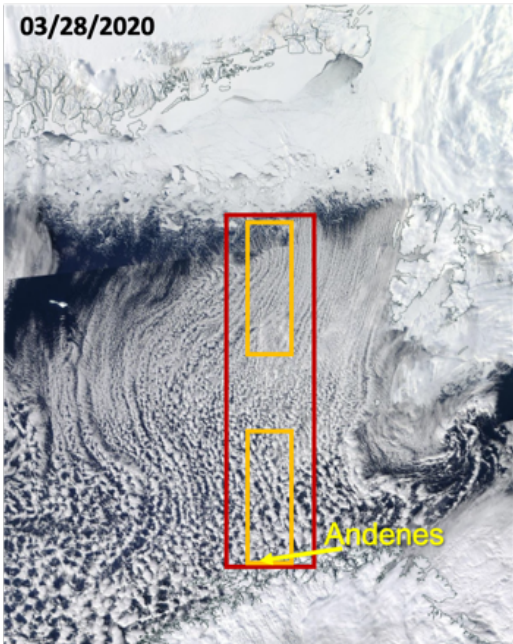
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More on poster @ Thurs, 2-3 pm

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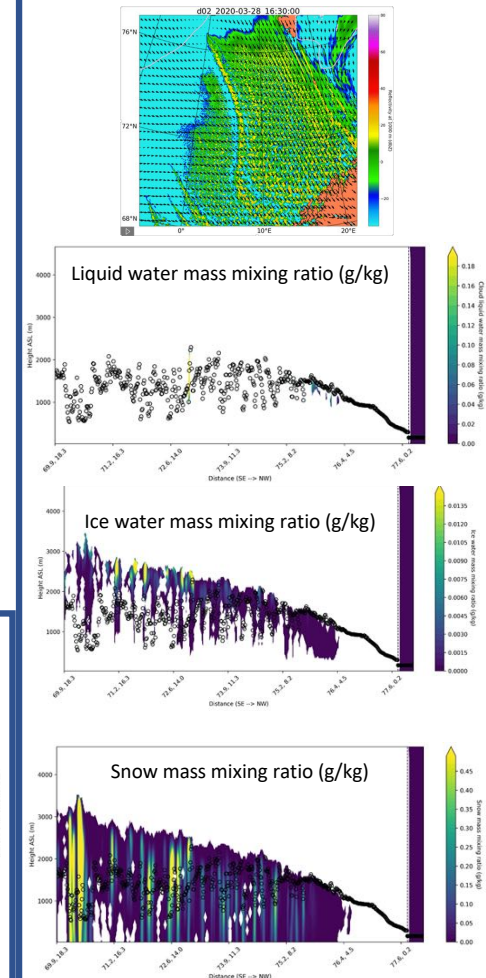
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Branko Kosovic, Timothy W. Juliano, Lulin Xue, Bart Geerts, and Christian P. Lackner

- How do multi-scale interactions drive the organization of mesoscale convective circulations during CAOs over open water?
- What is the role of mixed-phase cloud processes in the context of mesoscale cellular convection structure and evolution?
- We will conduct multi-scale simulations coupling mesoscale and large-eddy simulations (LES). LES will cover a domain  $\sim 1000 \text{ km} \times 300 \text{ km}$  using 90 m grid cells. Within this domain nested will be two domains  $\sim 300 \text{ km} \times 100 \text{ km}$  with 30 m grid cell.
- Two nested domains will be focused on the transition from helical rolls to cells and the transition from closed cells to open cells.
- Before conducting multi-scale simulations we are performing sensitivity analysis using Lagrangian LES by deriving forcing from ERA5 reanalysis and following Calipso satellite trajectory

## Mesoscale simulations



### Control and sensitivity simulations:

- CCN: high (x10) and low (x0.1)
- INP: high (x10) and low (x0.1)
- Shut off mixed phase
- Shut off precipitation
- No LW radiation
- SST: warm (+2 K) & cool (-2 K)

