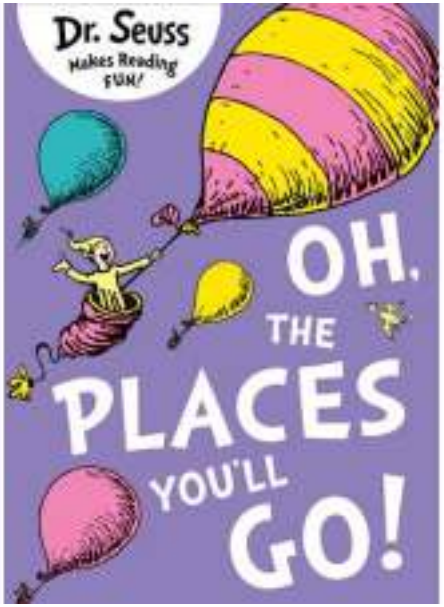
Tropospheric Ozone Lidar: Context and Results



J. Sullivan, T. McGee, L. Twigg, G. Sumnicht,
and many others…

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25 October, 2019

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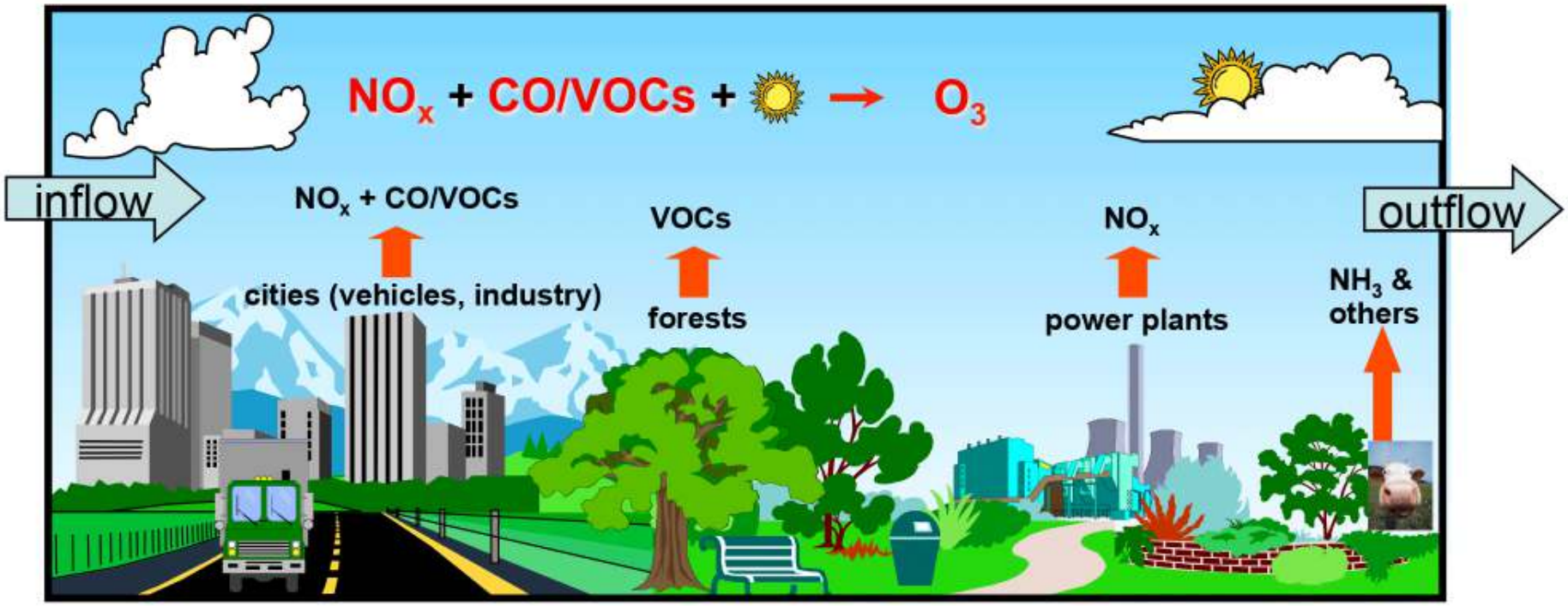
Tropospheric O_3

- toxic to humans and vegetation
- continuous EPA monitors at the surface are not able to monitor aloft sources of O_3 (8-hr standard is 70 ppbv
  - O_3-sonde launches are valuable, but intensive and costly
- greenhouse gas (impact largest in free troposphere)
- As per 2017 Nat. Ac. Sci. decadal survey – still a high priority

(figure courtesy National Park Service, www.nature.nps.gov)

Tropospheric O_3

- non-linear chemistry, photochemical/diurnal cycle
- ***Secondary*** pollutant, meteorology drives production



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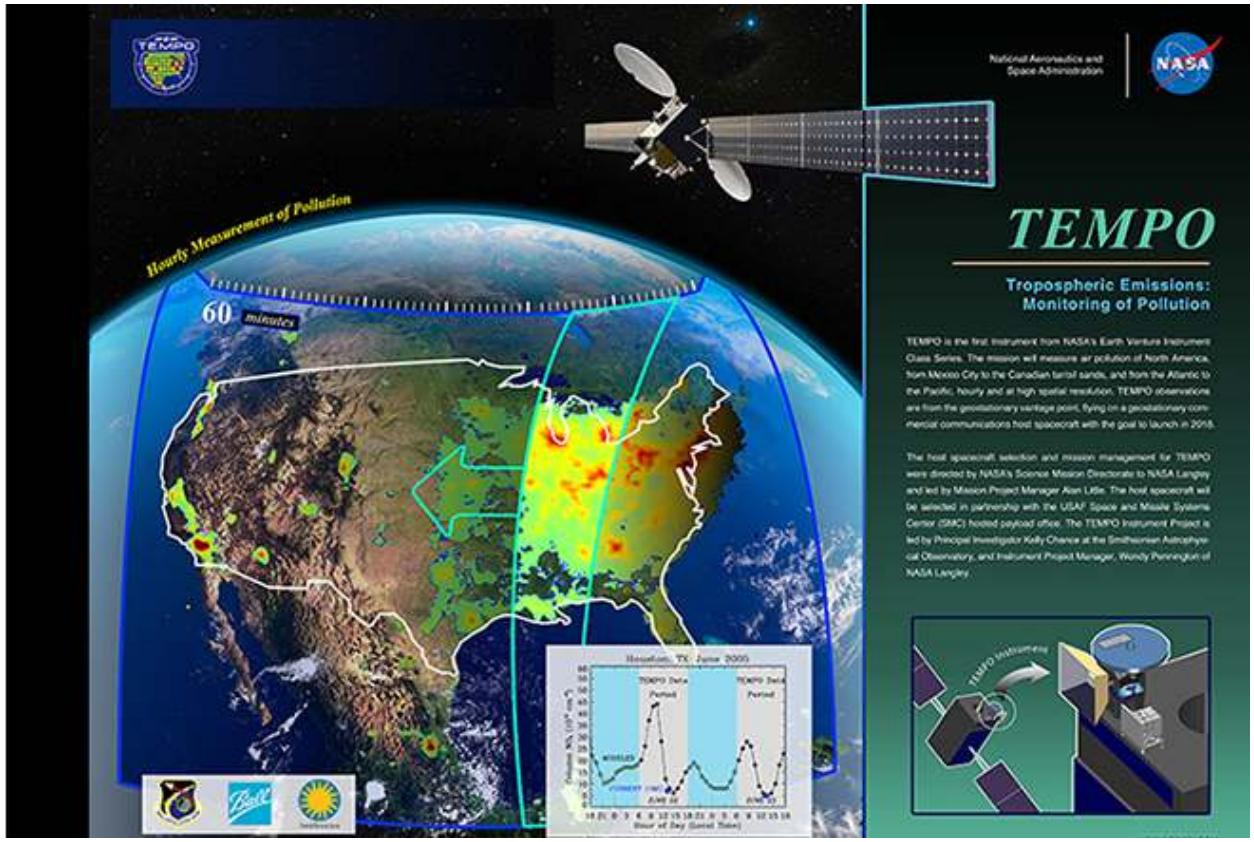
Tropospheric Emissions: Monitoring of Pollution (TEMPO)

- **Delivery in 2018, launch in 2020-2021 timeframe**
- **TEMPO will be the first geostationary air quality satellite for North America to provide hourly measurements throughout the U.S. for key trace gases**
- **generate 0–2 km O_3, free tropospheric O_3, and total column**
- **Observations of ozone and other constituents in complex coastal regions are critical for TEMPO validation and improvement in its data product retrievals**



TEMPO Mission

Principal Investigator: Kelly Chance, Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory
Instrument Development: Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corporation
Project Management: NASA/Langley Research Center

For more information and data, visit - http://tempo.si.edu/overview.html

TOLNet

- Ground based ozone lidar network consisting of 6 stations –funded initially in 2011
  - 4 Mobile/Transportable, 1 Fixed, 1 Transitioning
- Emphasis on improving overall understanding of air quality episodes and satellite retrievals in future satellite missions (*e.g.* TEMPO)

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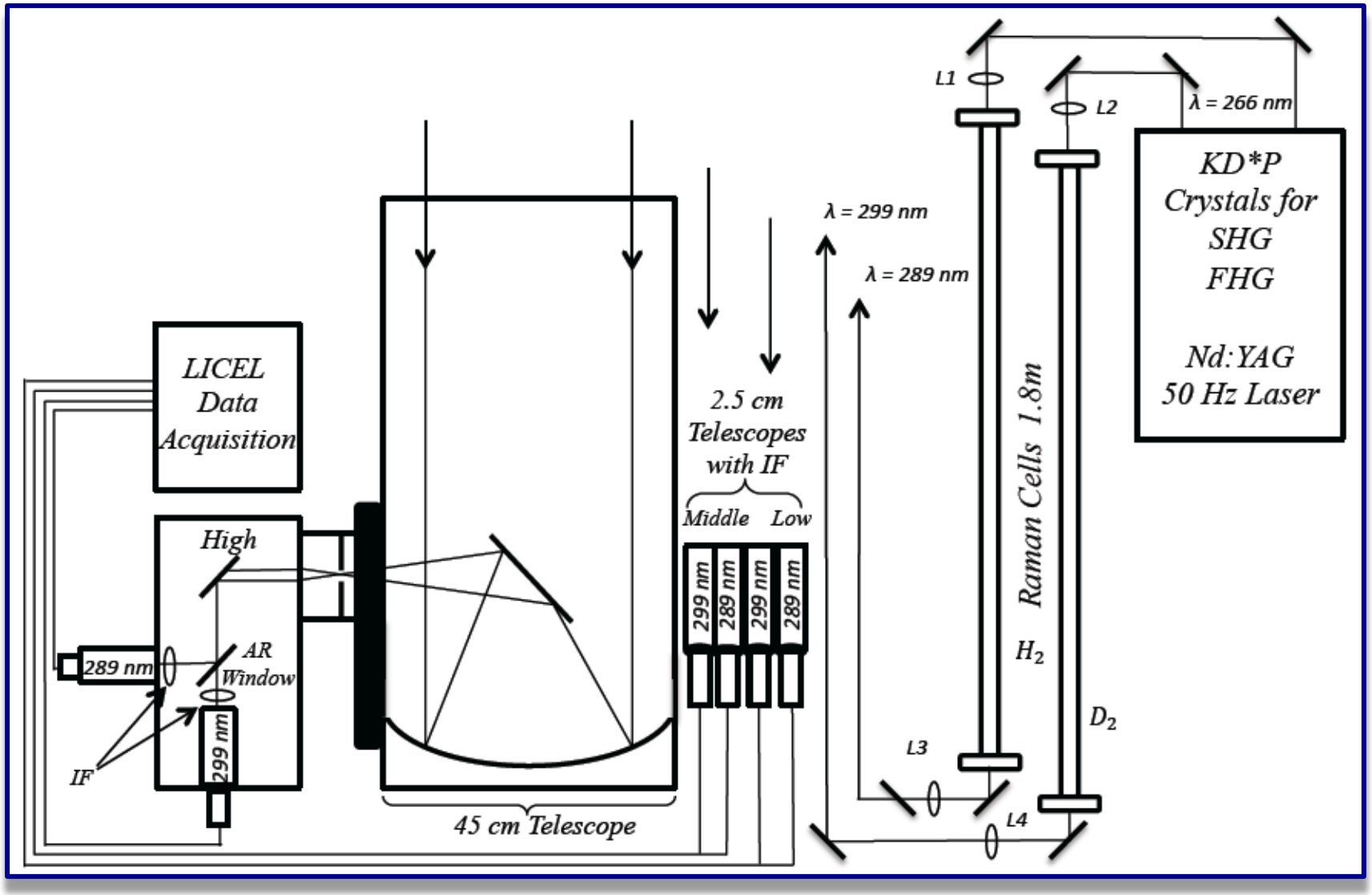

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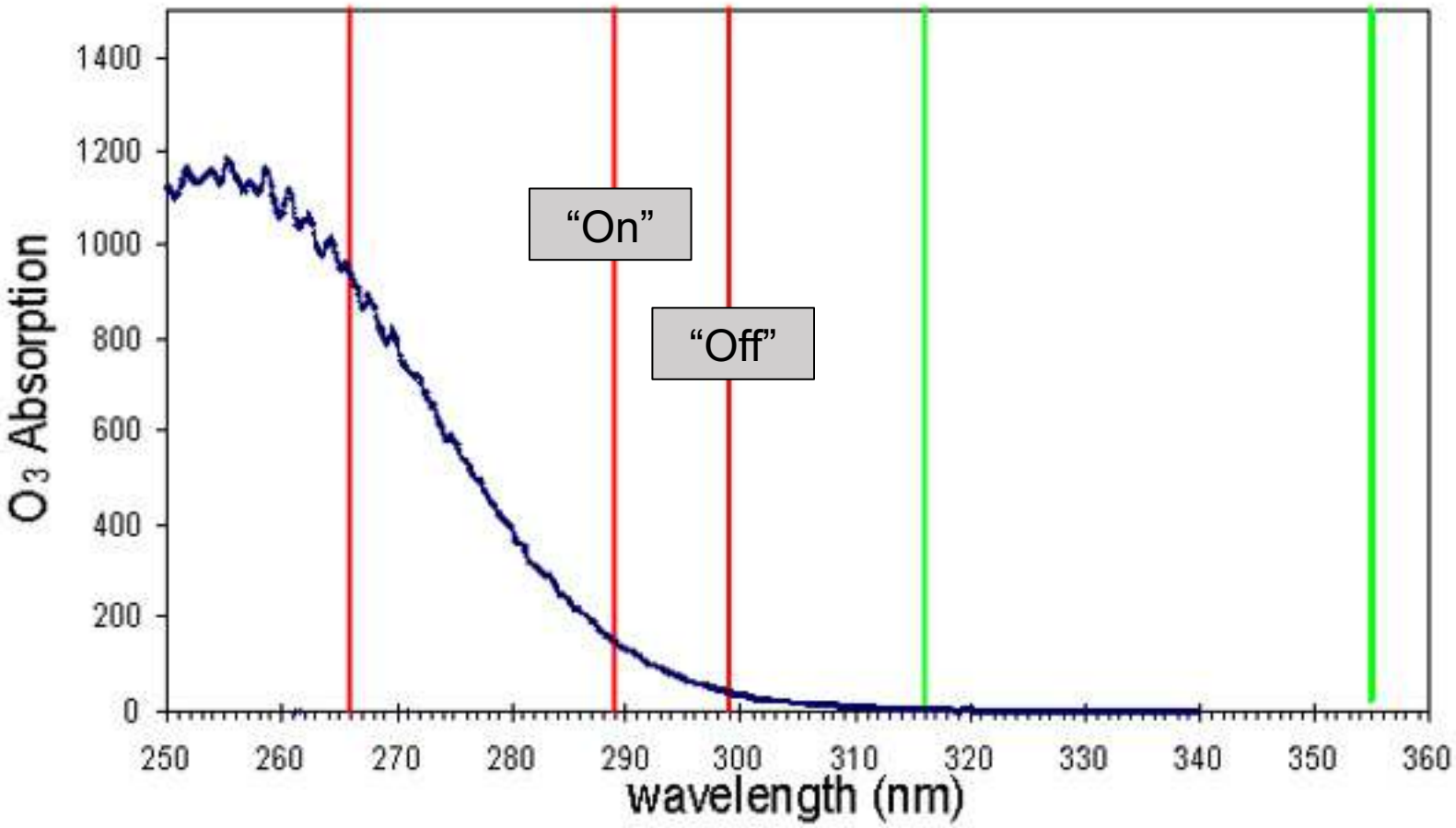
Diff. Absorption (DIAL)



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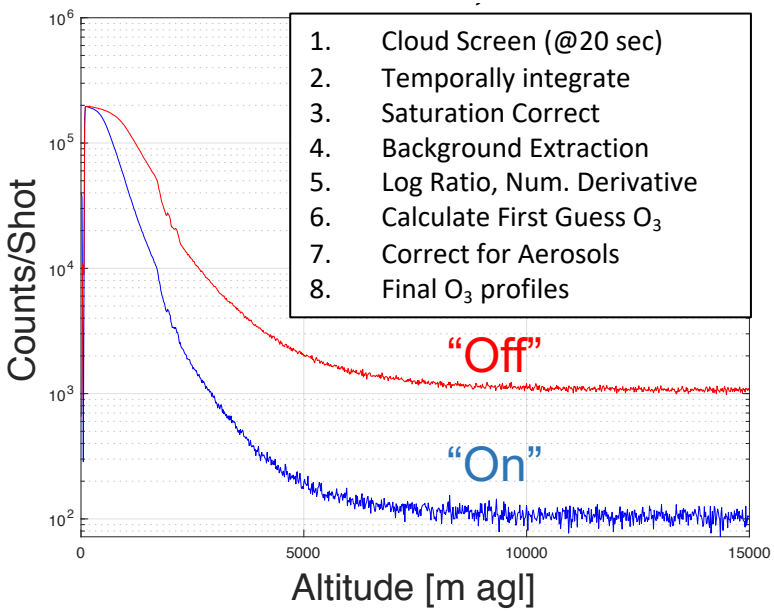
DIAL Equation

$$N_{o3} = \frac{1}{2\Delta\sigma_{O_3}\Delta r}[\ln(\frac{P_{off}(r+\Delta r)}{P_{off}(r)}\frac{P_{on}(r)}{P_{on}(r+\Delta r)}) - \ln C] - D$$

$$C = \frac{\beta_{off}(r+\Delta r)}{\beta_{off}(r)}\frac{\beta_{on}(r)}{\beta_{on}(r+\Delta r)})$$

$$D = \frac{\Delta\alpha_{mol}}{\Delta\sigma} - \frac{\Delta\alpha_{aer}}{\Delta\sigma} - \frac{N_{IG}\Delta\alpha_{IG}}{\Delta\sigma}$$



- Corrected for extinction from Molecular, Aerosol, and Interfering Gases

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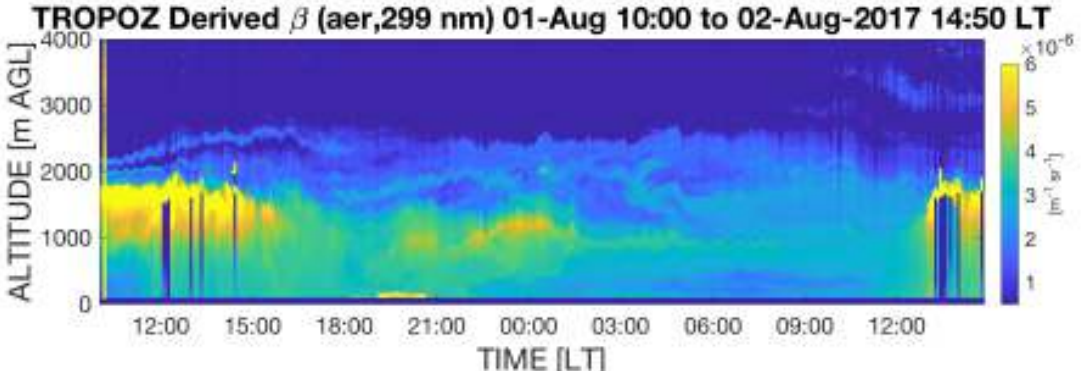
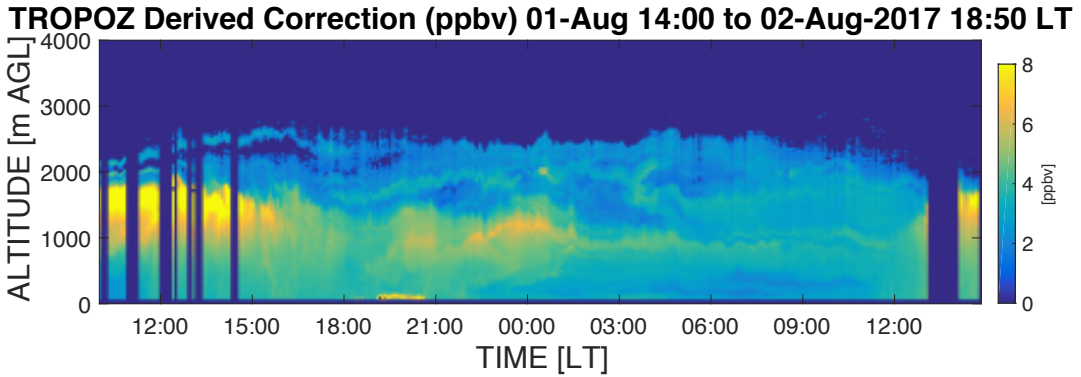
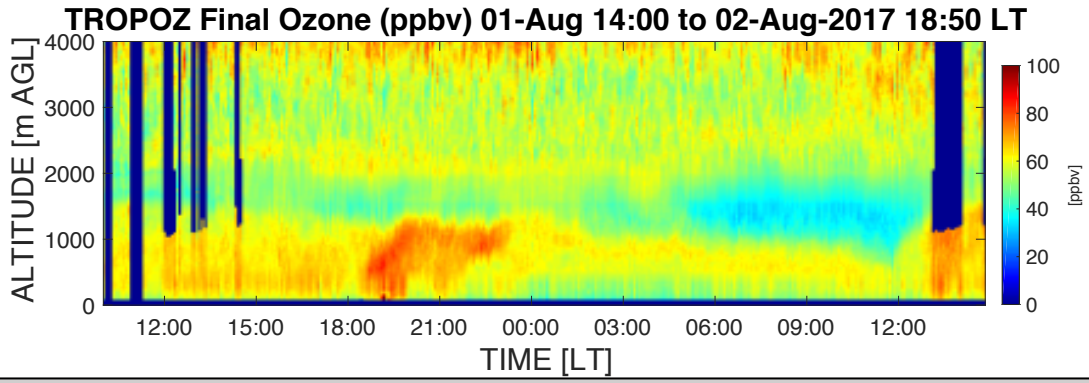
Data Example



299 nm backscatter aerosol extinction, assuming (extinction/backscatter) S_a = 40 sr; R_0 = 6 kms, with first guess O_3 and a priori



Resultant aerosol correction [ppbv], assuming power law wavelength dependence (-0.5 to -1.5) on aerosol extinction



Resultant final O_3 dataset, aerosol corrected

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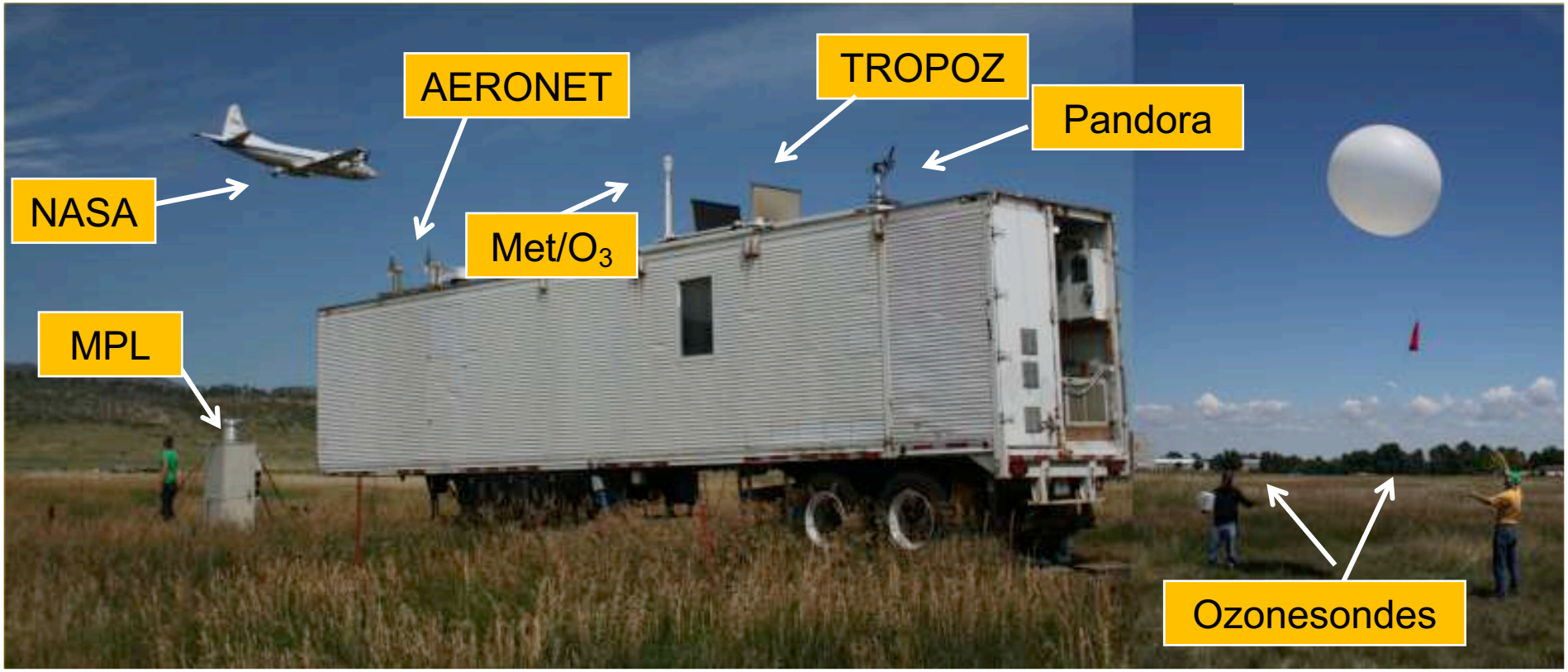
Deployment

- Deriving Information on Surface Conditions from Column and Vertically Resolved Observations Relevant to Air Quality (DISCOVER-AQ)



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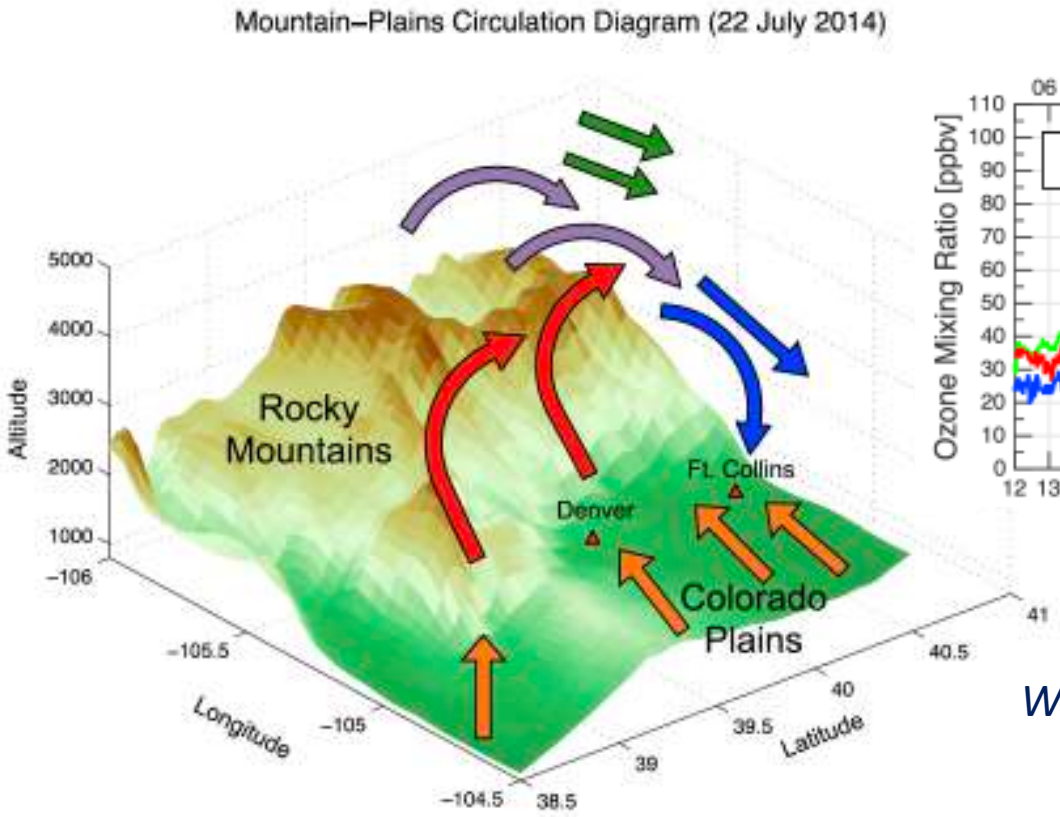

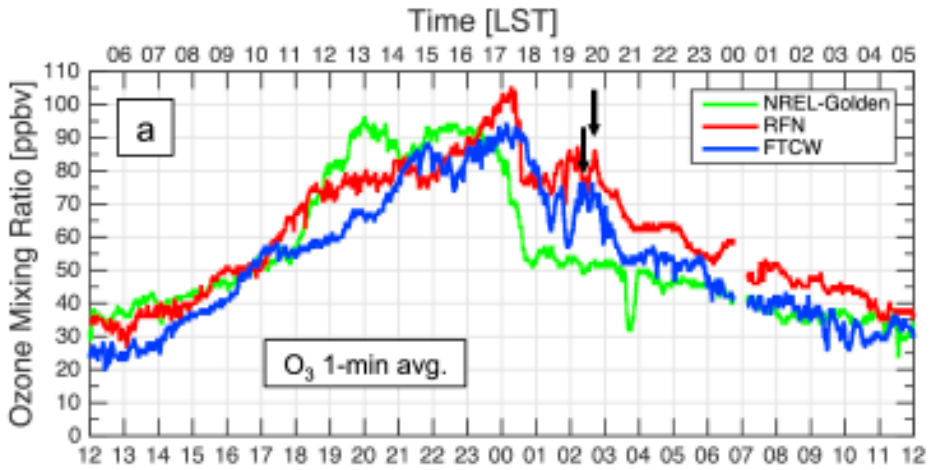

What's driving these late day O_3 peaks?

- Recirculation within the Front Range (Mountain Plains Circulation/slope flows)

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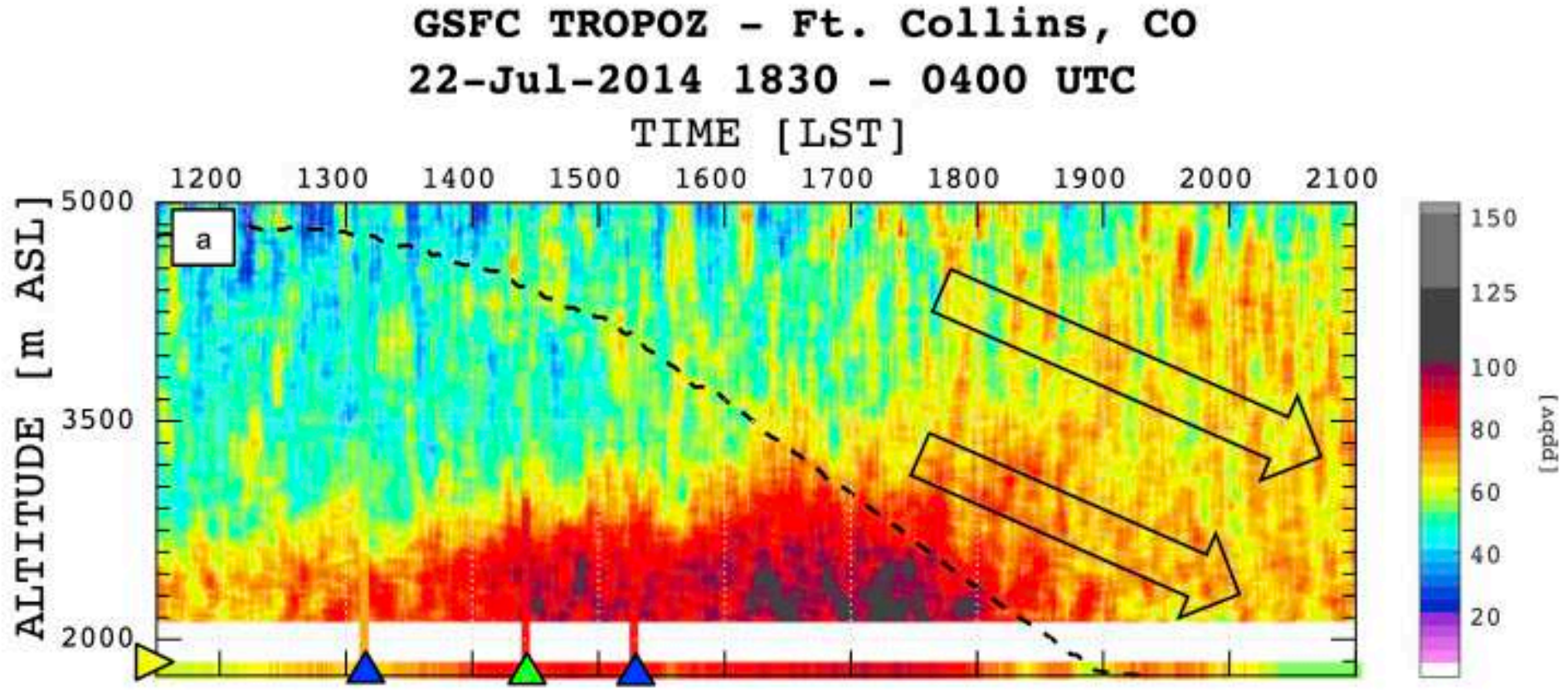

- Revealing aloft pollution flow with lidar, in-situ, and nearby wind profiler (not shown).

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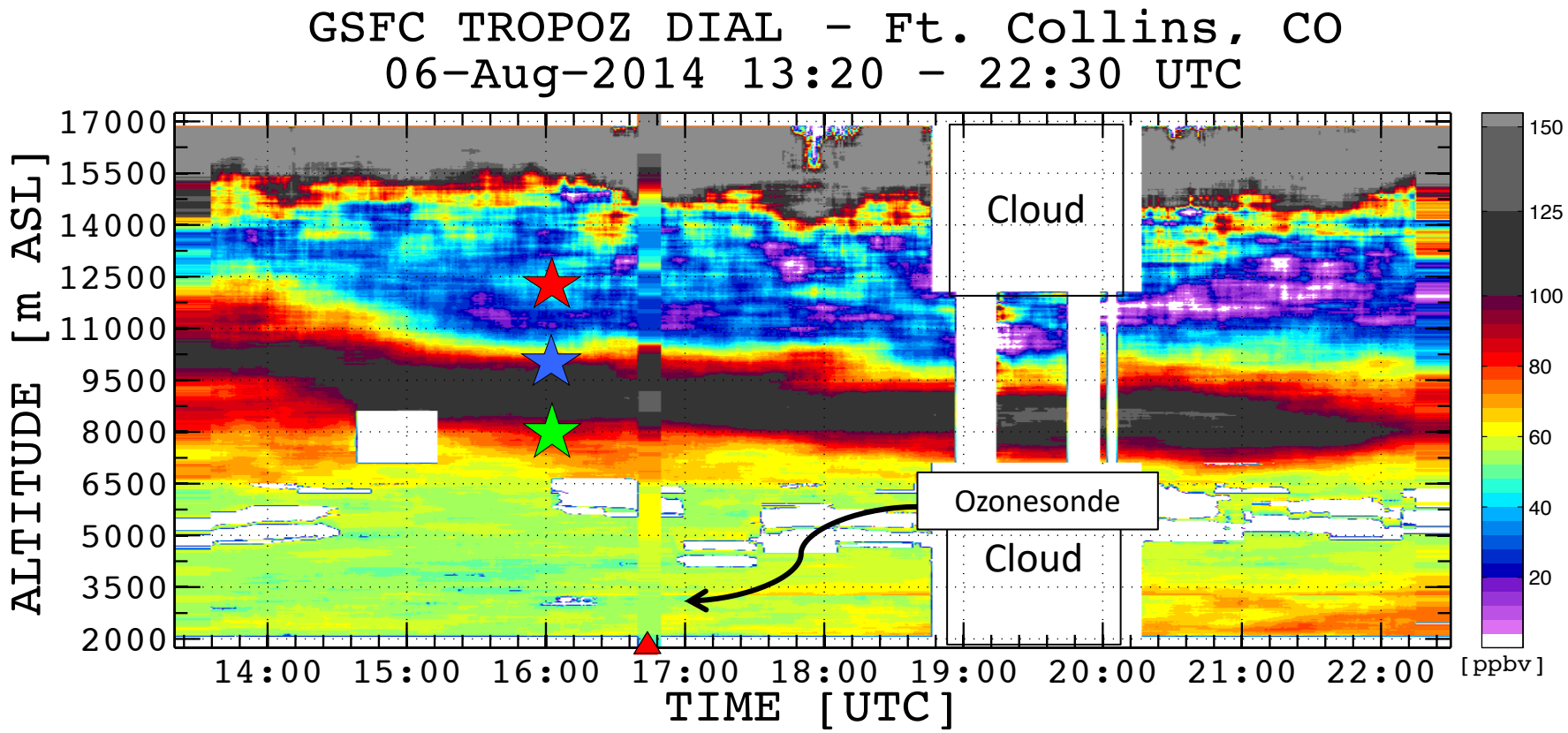

- Stratospheric-Tropospheric Exchange (STE) brings high O_3 into the free troposphere

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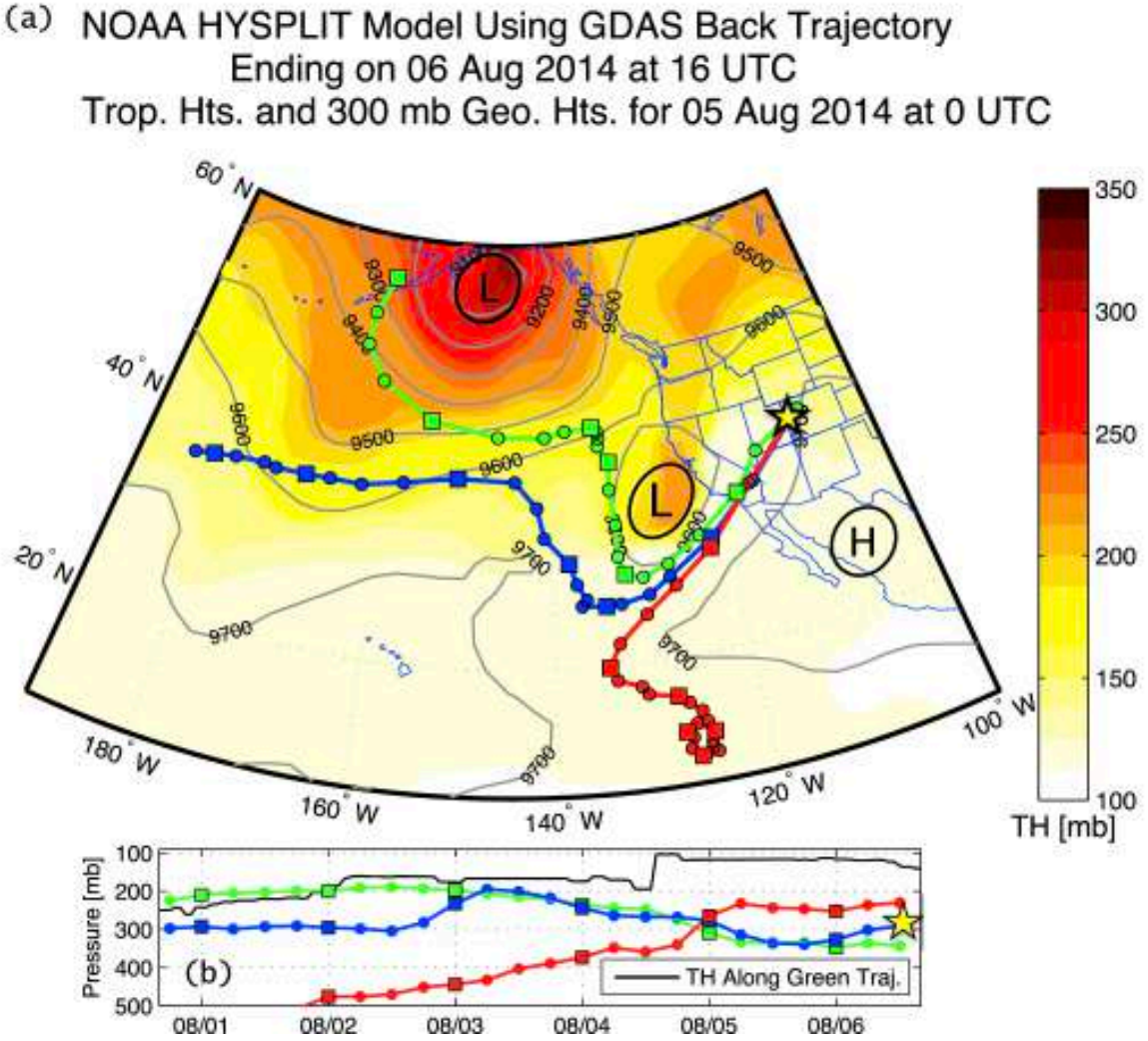

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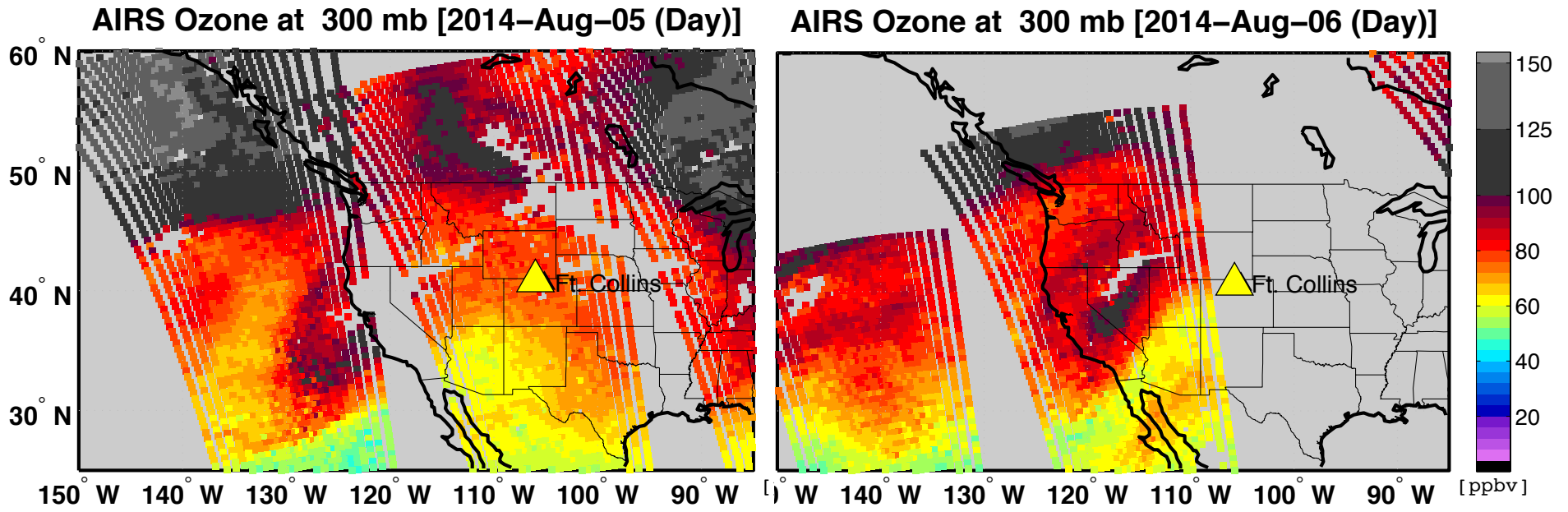

- Quantify contribution of stratospheric air residing within the free troposphere

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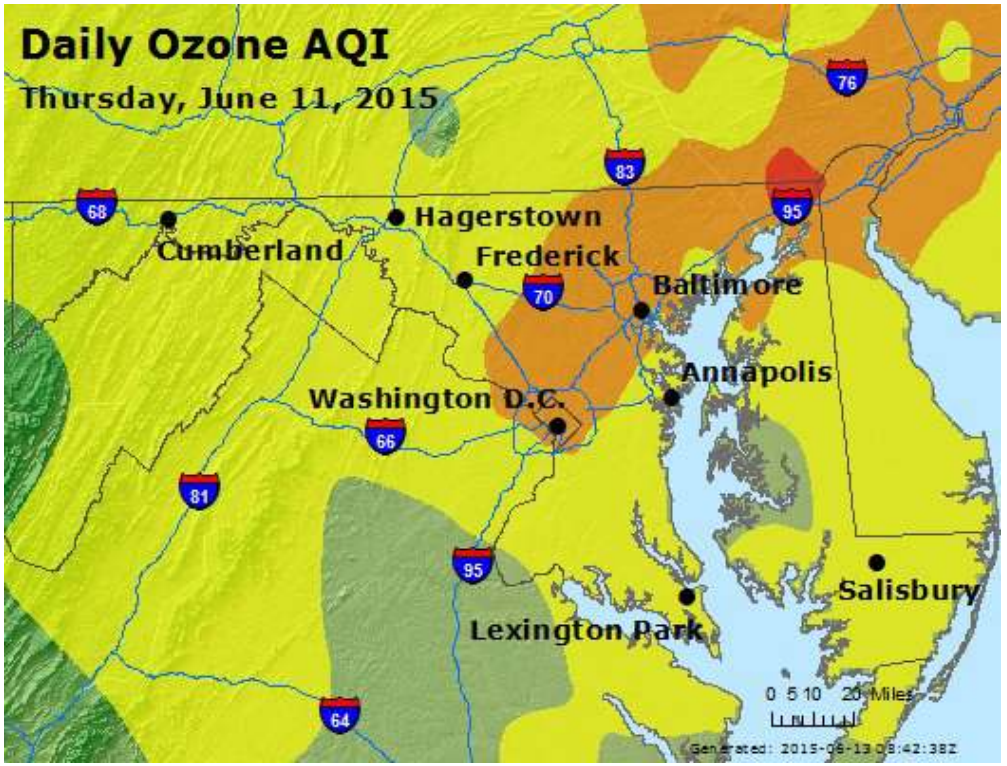
Maryland AQ Summary

- **UNHEALTHY** AQI at Fair Hill (northeast MD)
- **USG** at
  - All 3 DC monitors
  - 6 Maryland monitors
  - 70% of network >70ppb
- Event centered along I-95 corridor
- Worst air quality since 6/29/2012 (Derecho)



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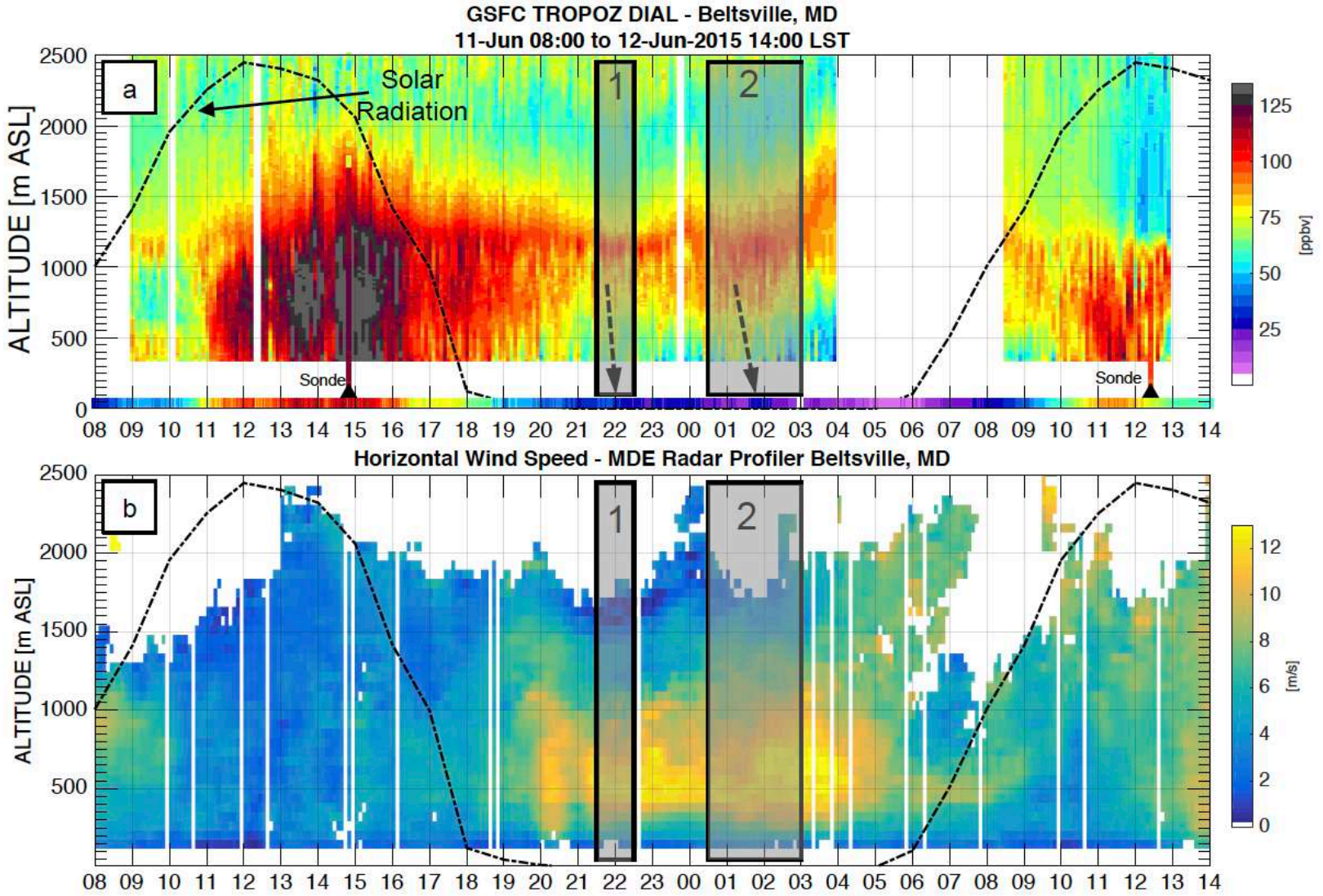

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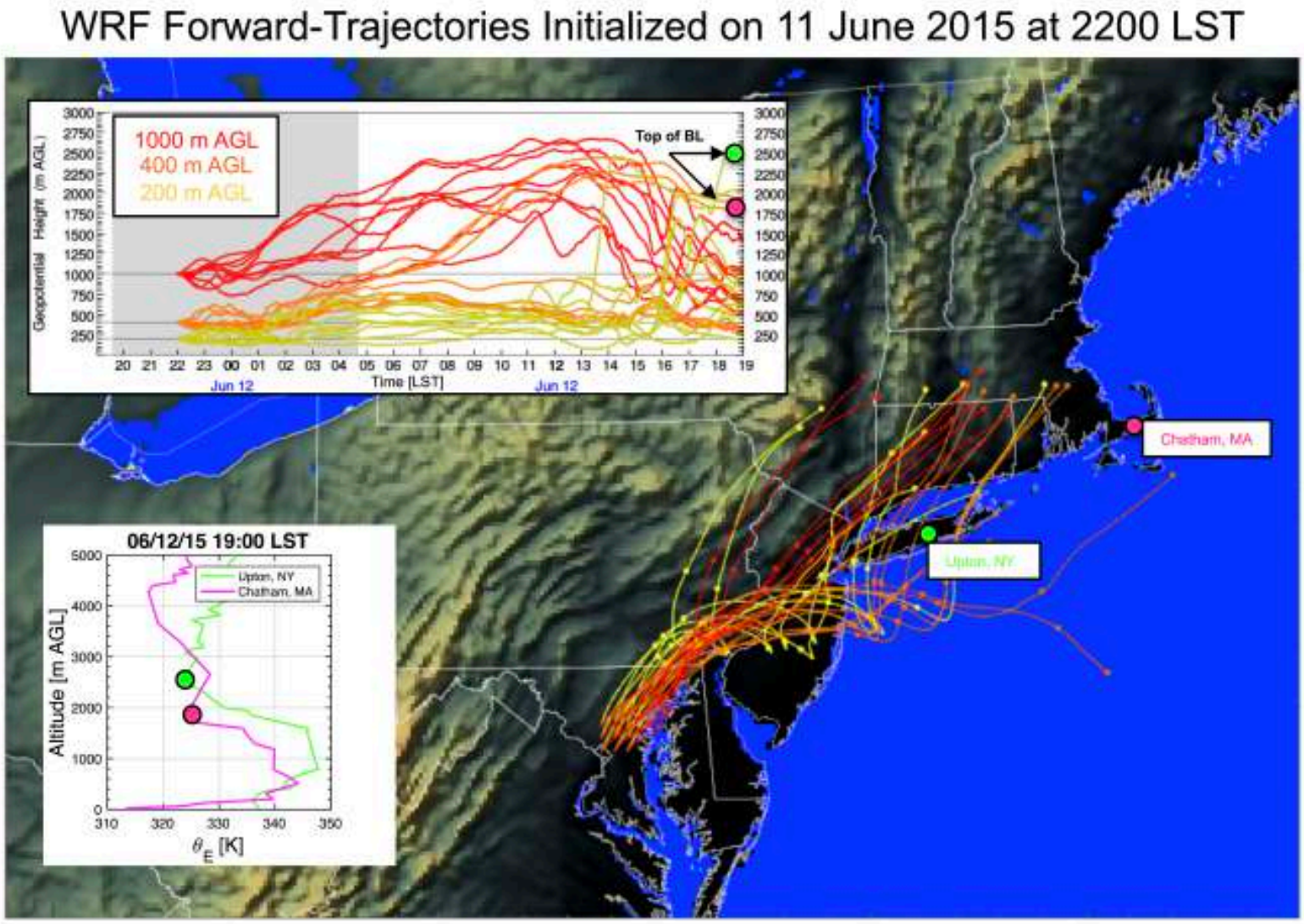

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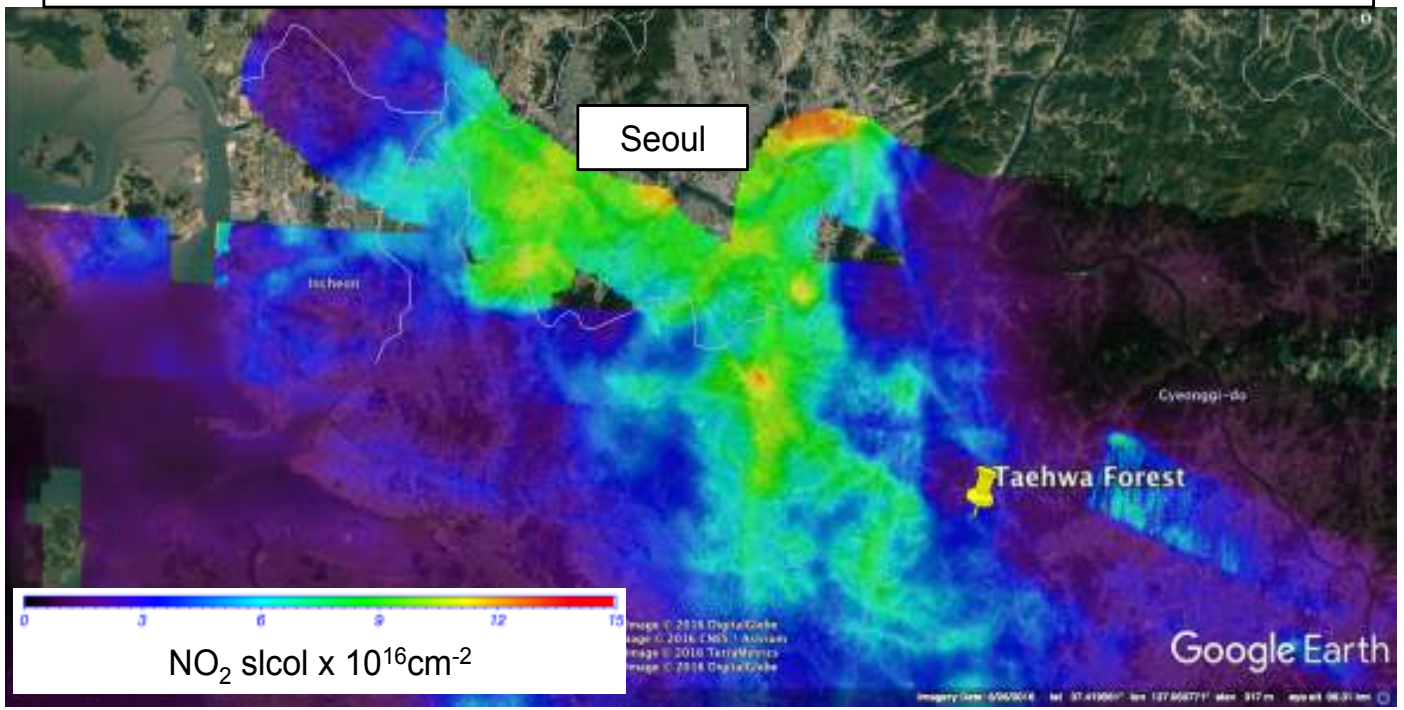
Sampling Seoul

NASA B-200 GEOTASO Flight 17 May 2016 14:00 – 16:00 KST

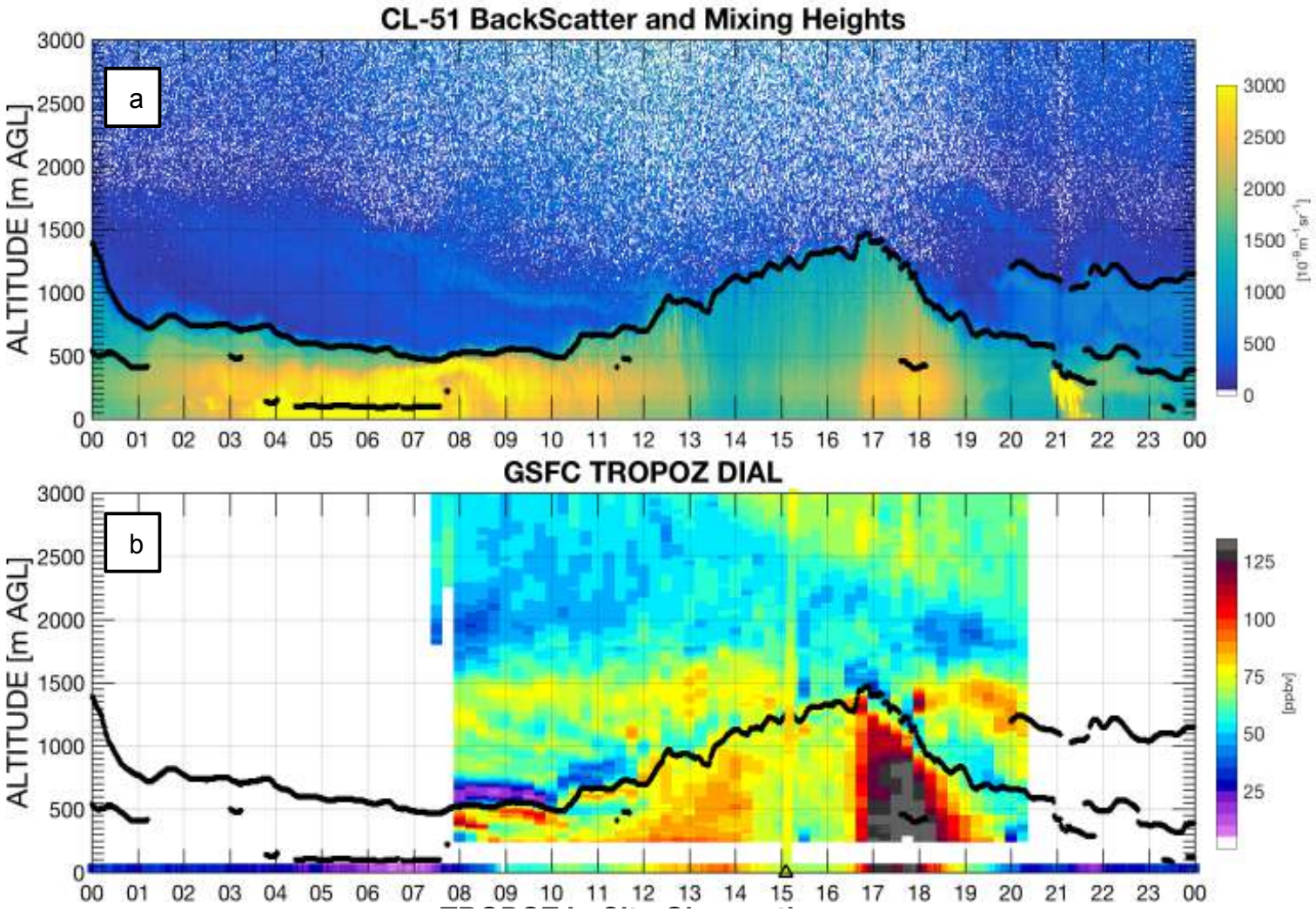


- GSFC lidar sampling Seoul plume during NASA KORUS-AQ. (Backdrop NO_2 slant col)

GeoTASO data courtesy Scott Janz (NASA/GSFC) and team

Sampling Seoul

TRF Remotely Sensed and In Situ Measurements 17 May 2016



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Background/Motivation

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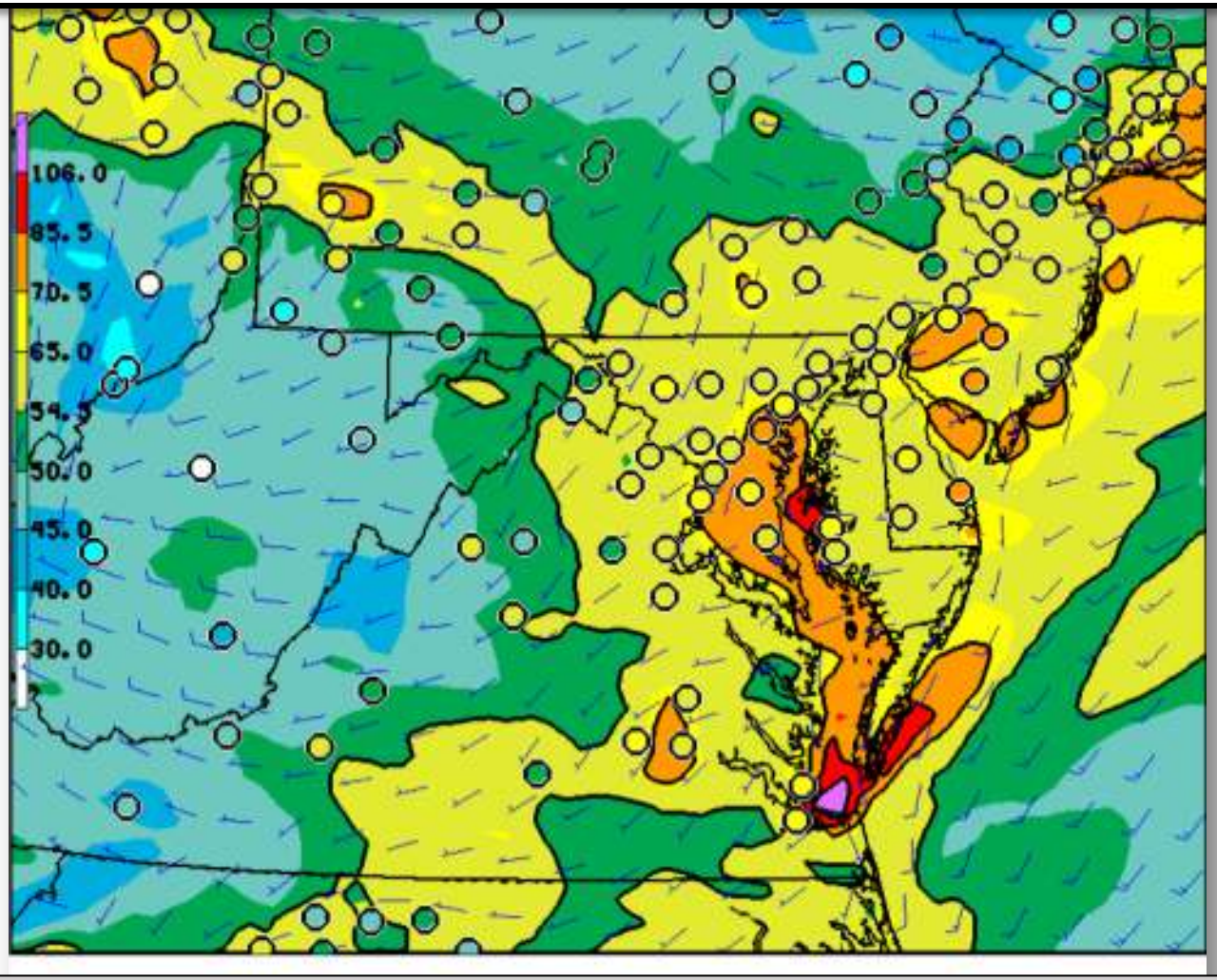

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Sampling Strategy

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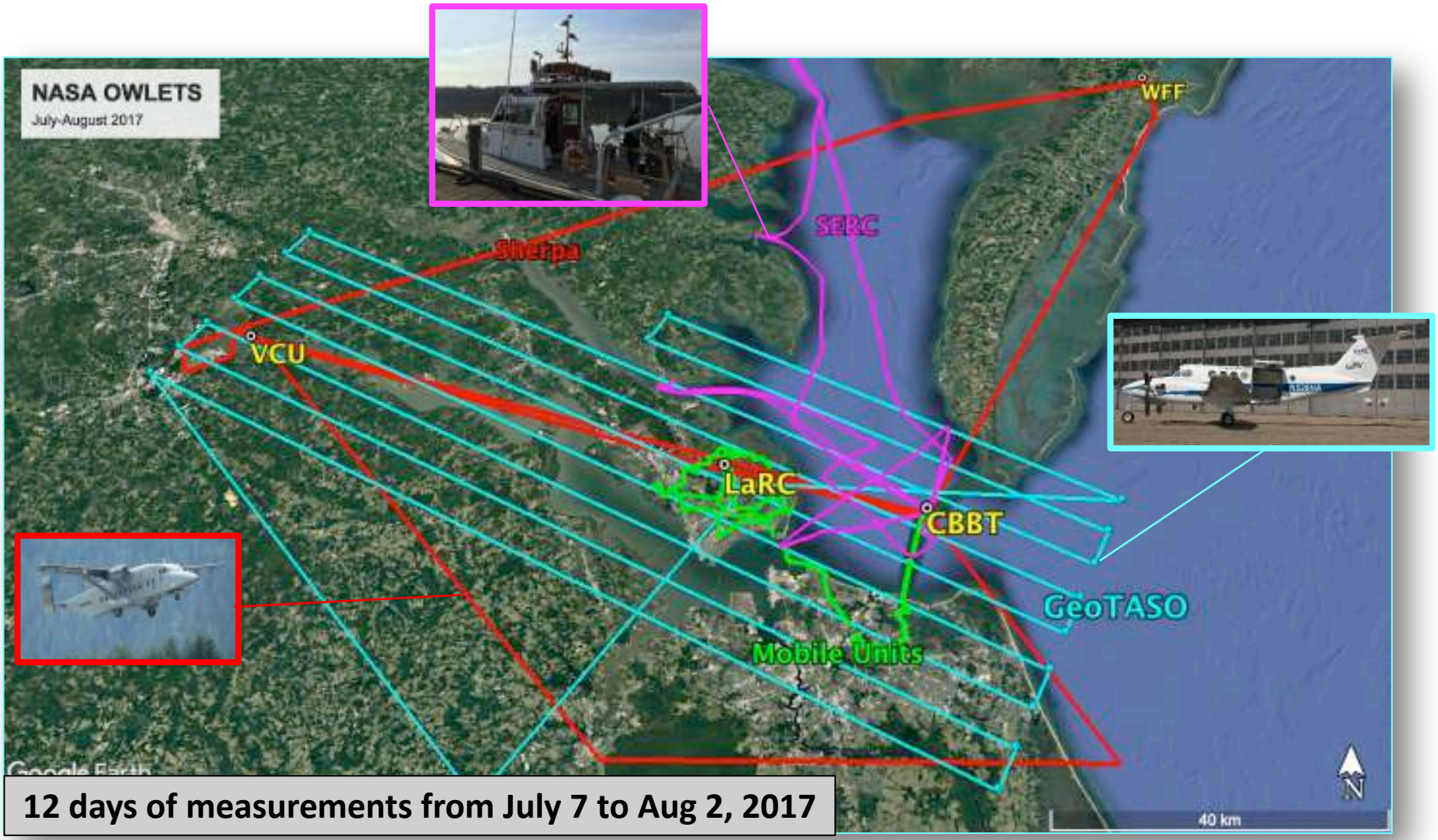

12 days of measurements from July 7 to Aug 2, 2017

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OWLETS-2 Sampling

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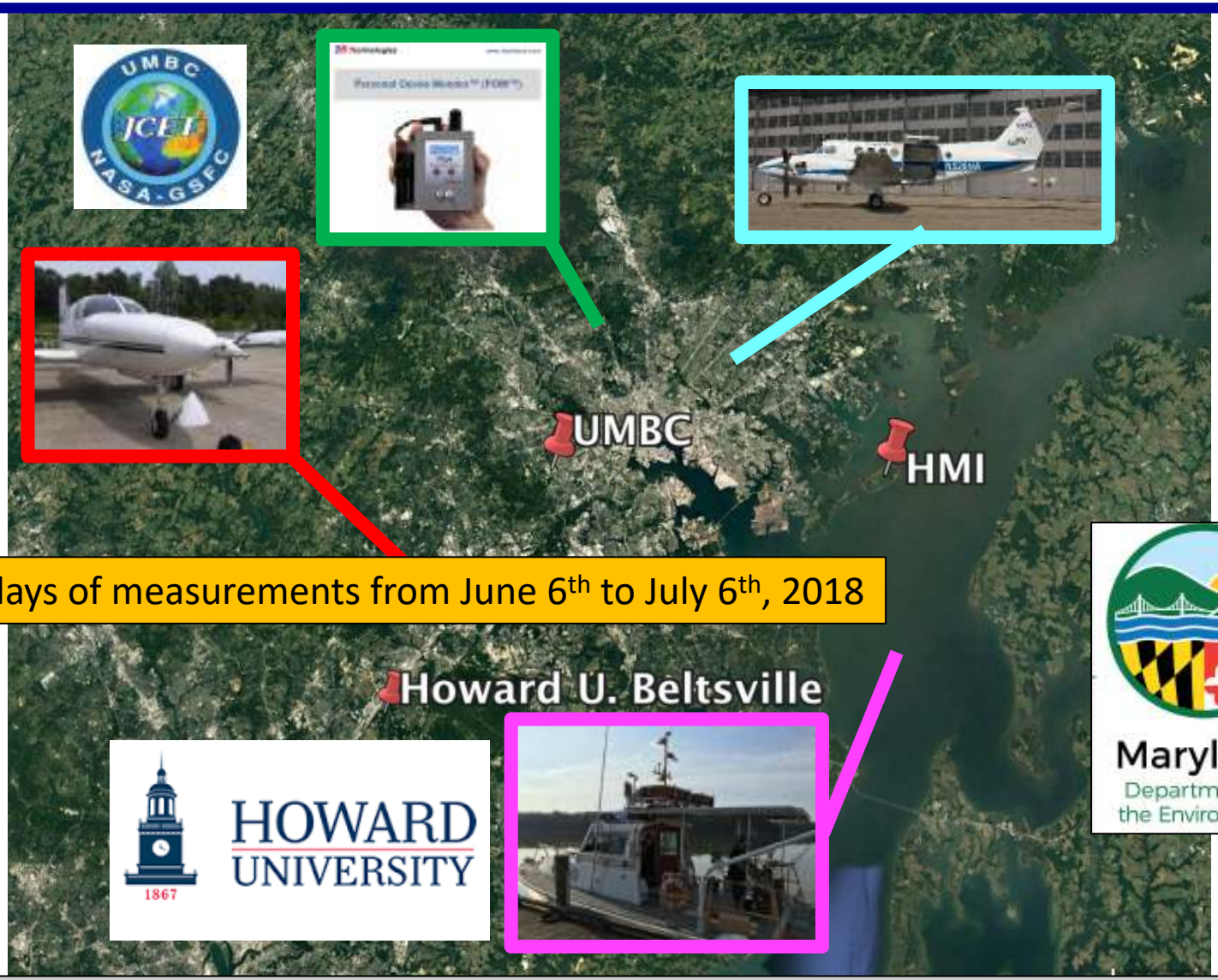

10 days of measurements from June 6th to July 6th, 2018

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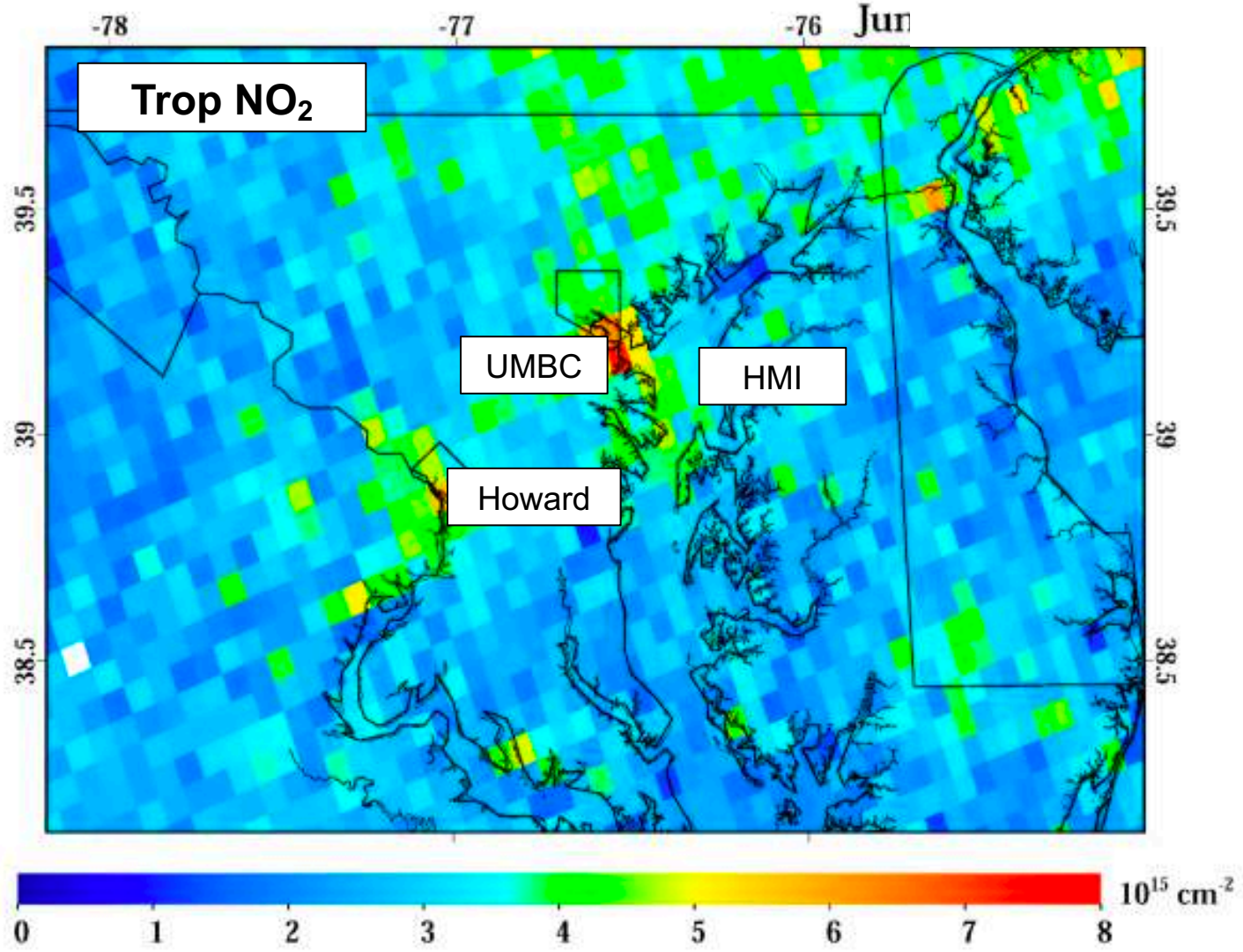

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Direct Airborne Sampling

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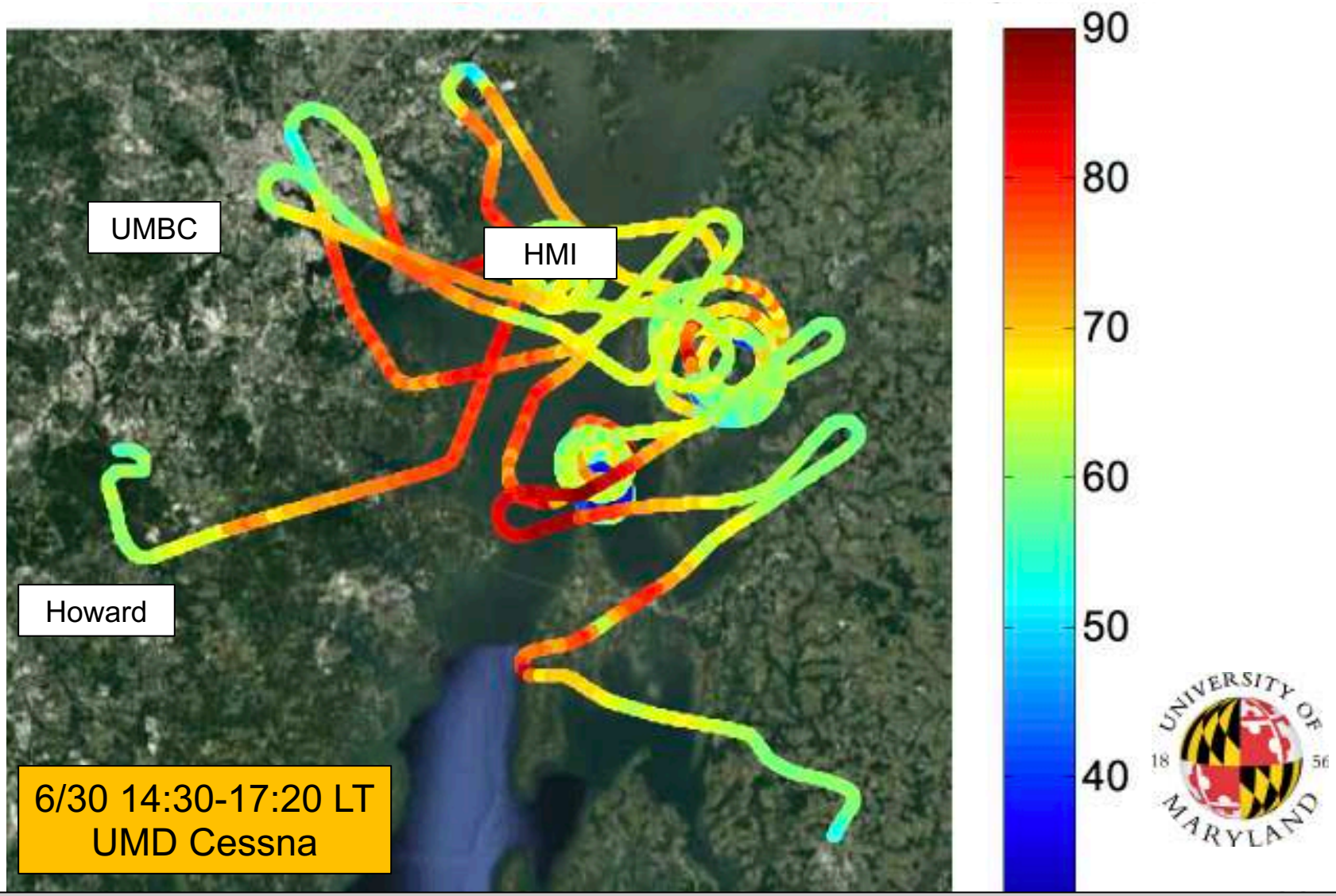

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Balloon-borne Sampling

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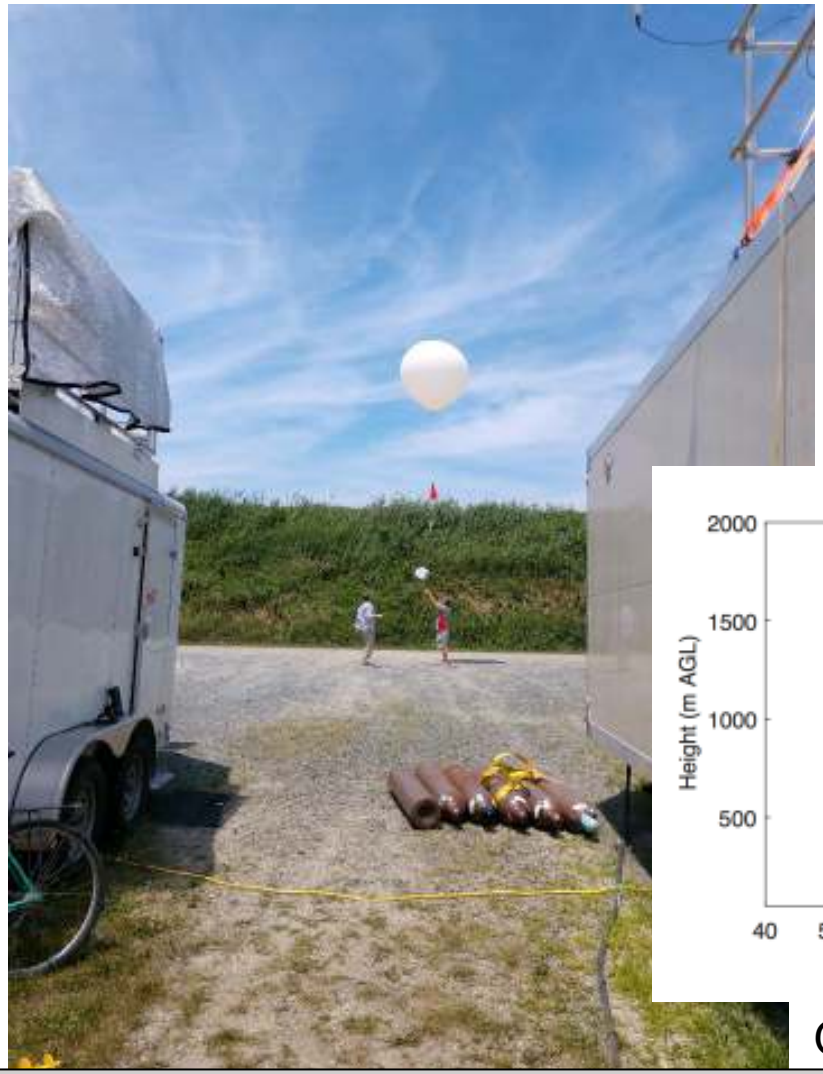

40 total launches between sites, mostly within 30 minutes of each other and 32 during satellite overpasses.
10 additional dual launches to investigate sonde performance

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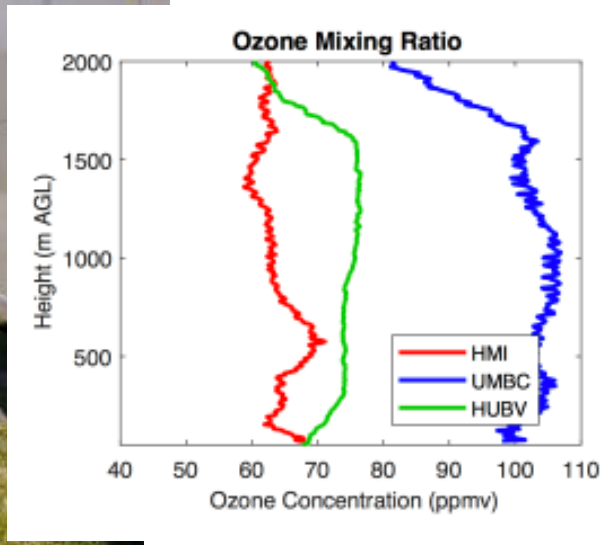

Ozone [ppbv]

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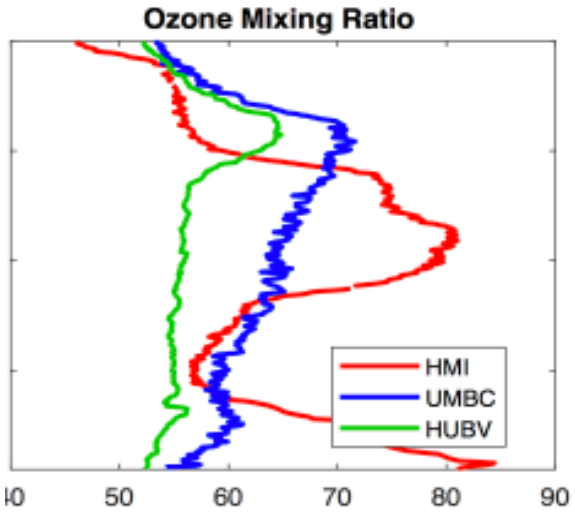

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Additional Platforms

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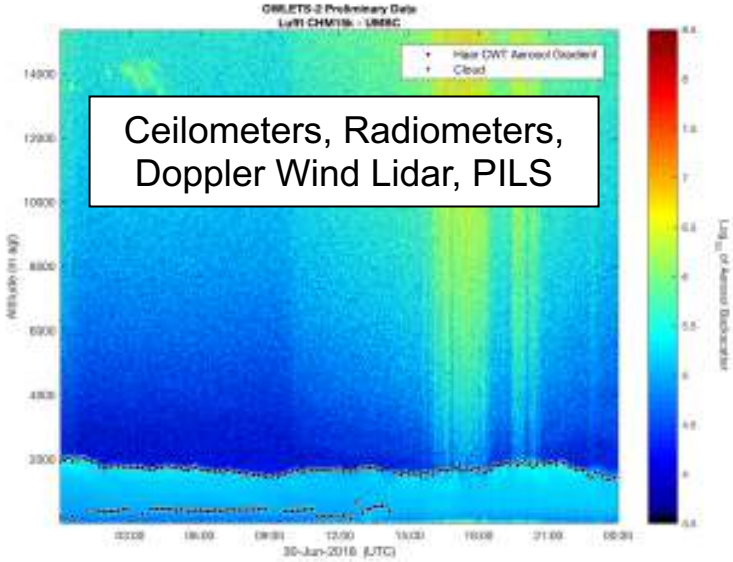

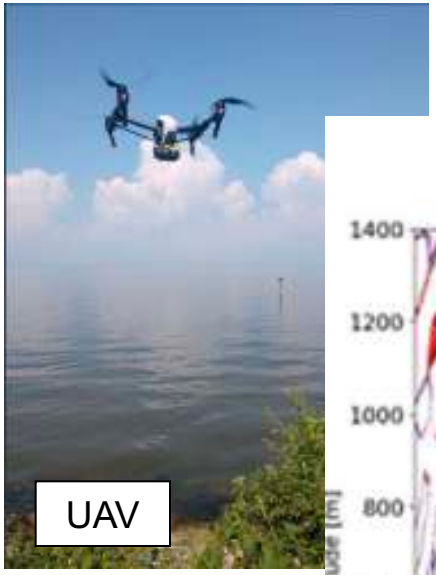

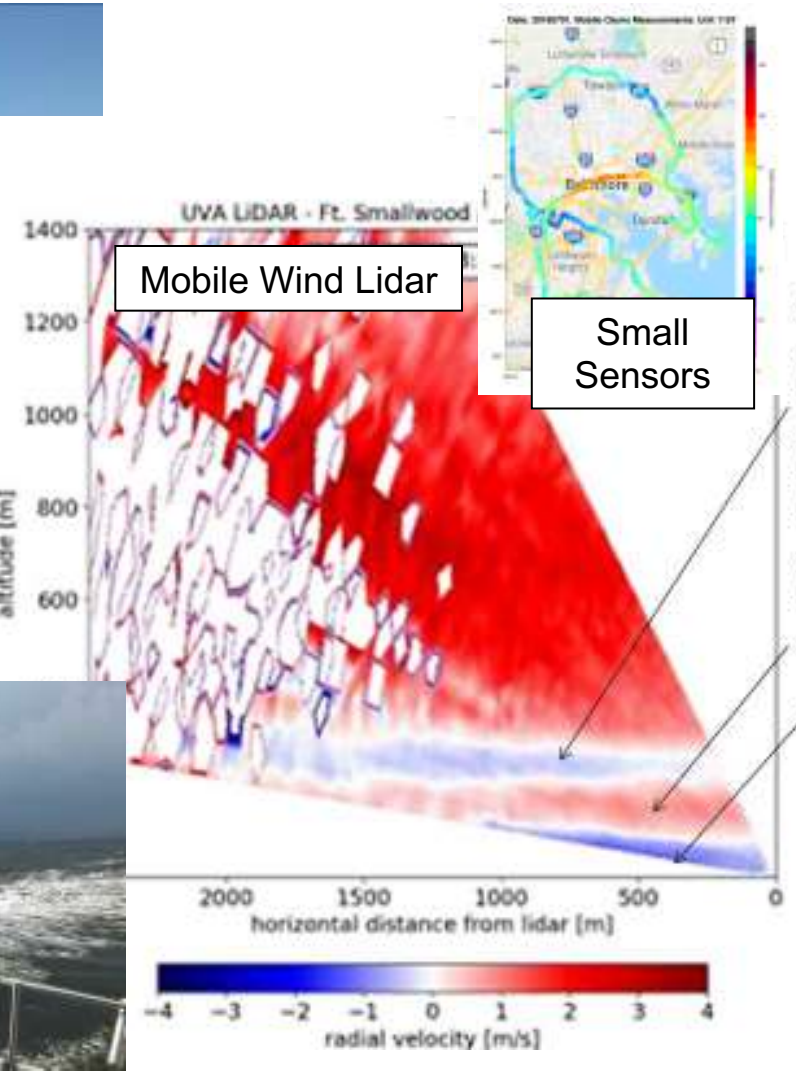

Preliminary Data

Lidar Analyses

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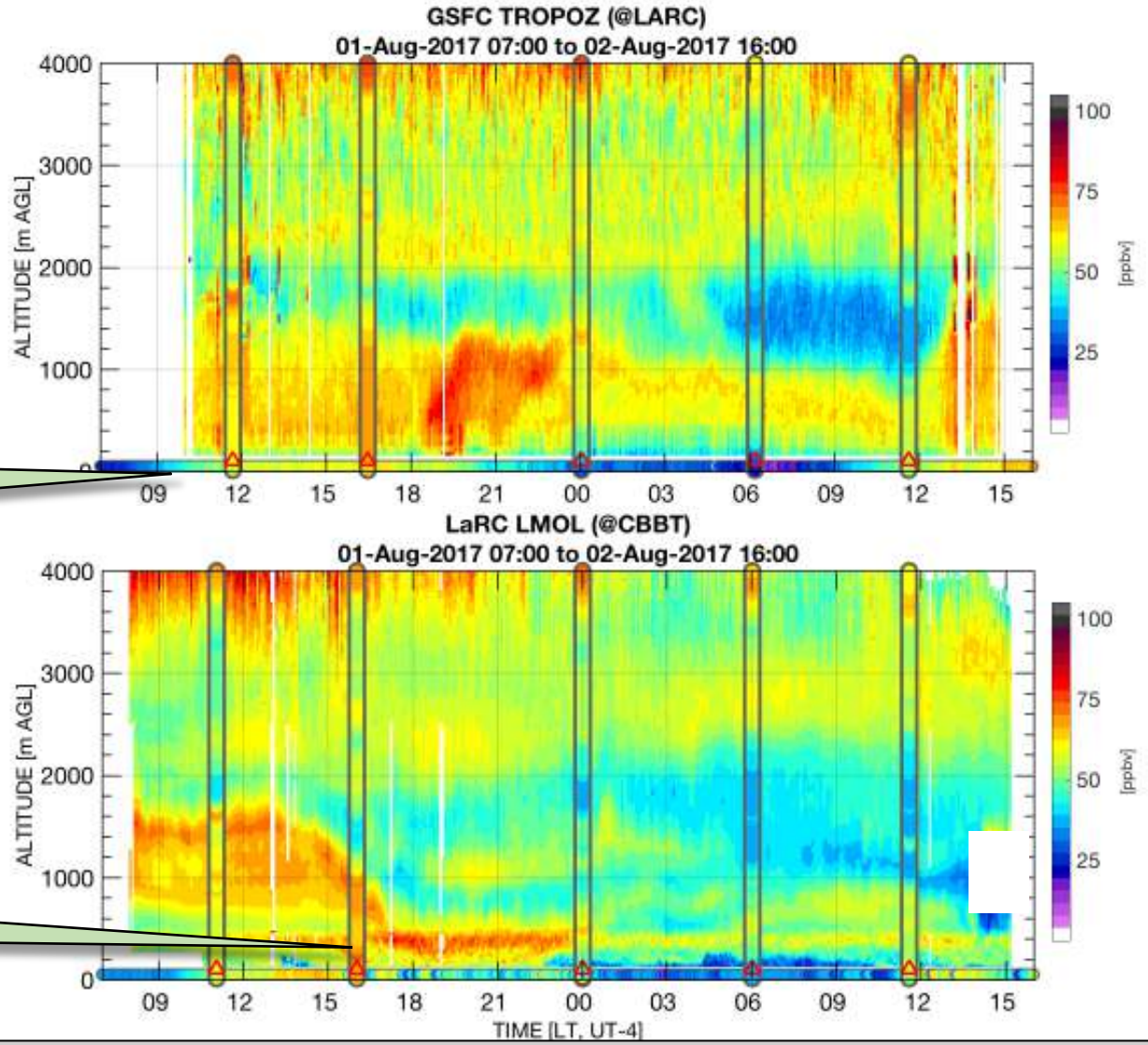
On-Land

Surface O_3

Over-Water

O_3-sonde



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Lidar Differences

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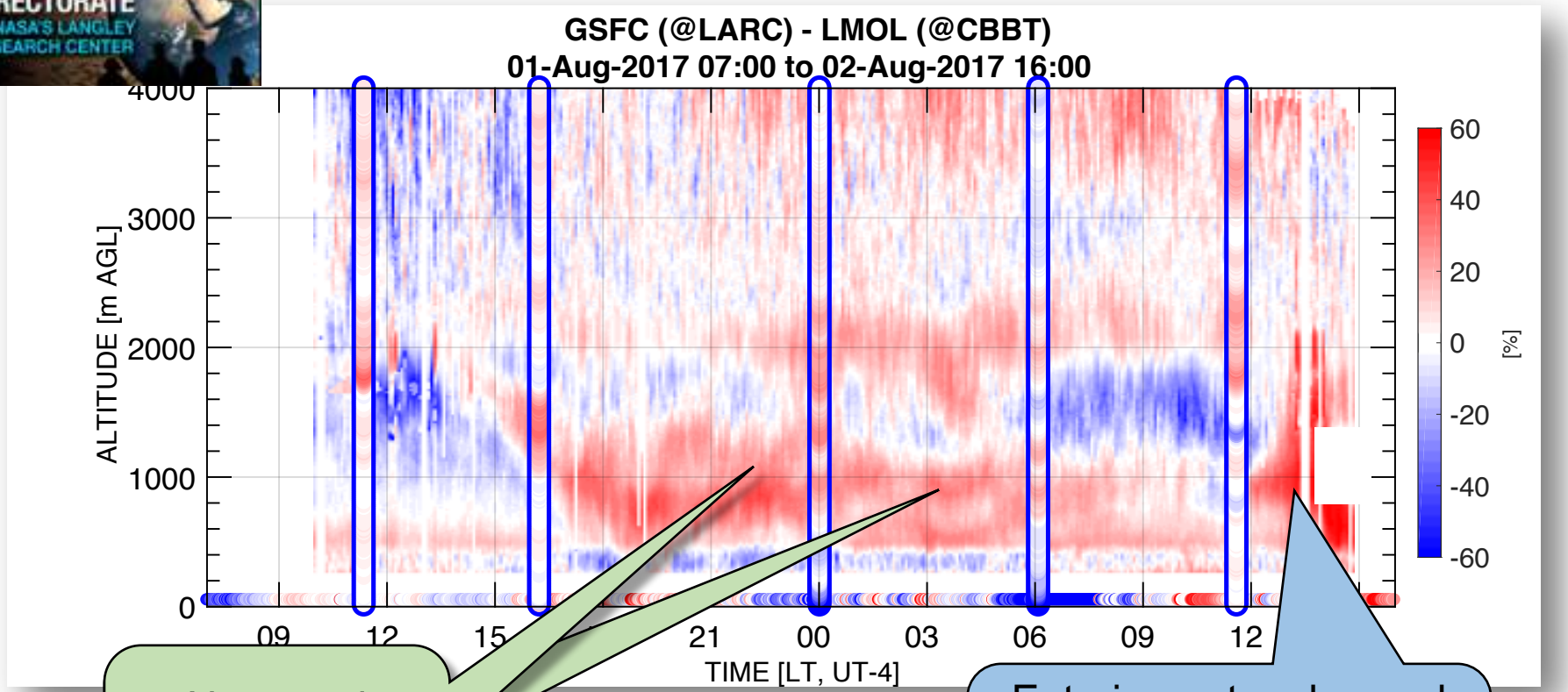

Nocturnal Residual O_3 Layering

Entrainment, enhanced O_3 boundary layer as compared to over water

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