

Simple AIRS applications at NASA Goddard Earth Sciences Data and Information Services Center (GES DISC)

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- **New data access features**
- **A-Train applications**
- **Deep convection and upper tropospheric humidity**
- **Variability in the middle atmosphere in response to QBO and solar activity**

- **New data access features in Mirador**
 - **Conversion to NetCDF**
 - **Standard Retrieval browse imagery**
 - **Web Map Service**
 - **Web Coverage Service**

Conversion to NetCDF, standard retrieval browse, and other services in **Mirador**, <http://mirador.gsfc.nasa.gov>

+ AC/DISC
+ Ag/DISC
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+ AIRS
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Mirador 1.22

Mirador is a fast interface for searching Earth science data at NASA Goddard Earth Sciences Data and Information Services Center

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Keyword:

Time Span:

Location:

Event:


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Available: AIRS, OMI, MLS, GLDAS, HIRDLS2, TOMS, TRMM, UARS, SORCE, and MODIS Subsets for A -Train

What's New: [NetCDF, Time Coverage Display, New Download Options, Consistent Filenames](#)


Acknowledgements:

Location Gazetteer by: [National GeoSpatial Information Agency](#)
Events Gazetteer by: [Unisys](#) and: [EPA](#)



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Data Sets

For event, did you mean ...

- IKE tropical depression
- IKE tropical storm
- IKE hurricane category 1
- IKE hurricane category 2
- IKE hurricane category 3
- IKE hurricane category 4
- IKE hurricane category 5

AIRS/Aqua Level 2 Standard Final Retrieval Product (AIRS2RET)
View Files [All](#) [v.003](#) [v.005](#) [info](#) [003](#) [005](#)
Approx. 29 files found (5.138 GB)
Parameters: SKIN TEMPERATURE, SURFACE AIR TEMPERATURE, AIR TEMPERATURE, TROPOPAUSE, PRECIPITABLE WATER, WATER VAPOR, SE
Spatial Resolution: 50 km x 50 km
Temporal Resolution: 6 Minute(s)

AIRS/Aqua FINAL Level 2 Products (AIRS Only) (AIRS2RET)
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Spatial Resolution: 50 km x 50 km
Temporal Resolution: 6 Minute(s)

AIRS/Aqua Level 2 Standard Final Retrieval Product

Temporal Resolution: 6 Minute(s) [info](#)

All | **Day Only** | **Night Only** | **Both On**

Descriptive File Names: | Filter By Version: 005 | 003 | All | Sort by Time: Ascending | Descending

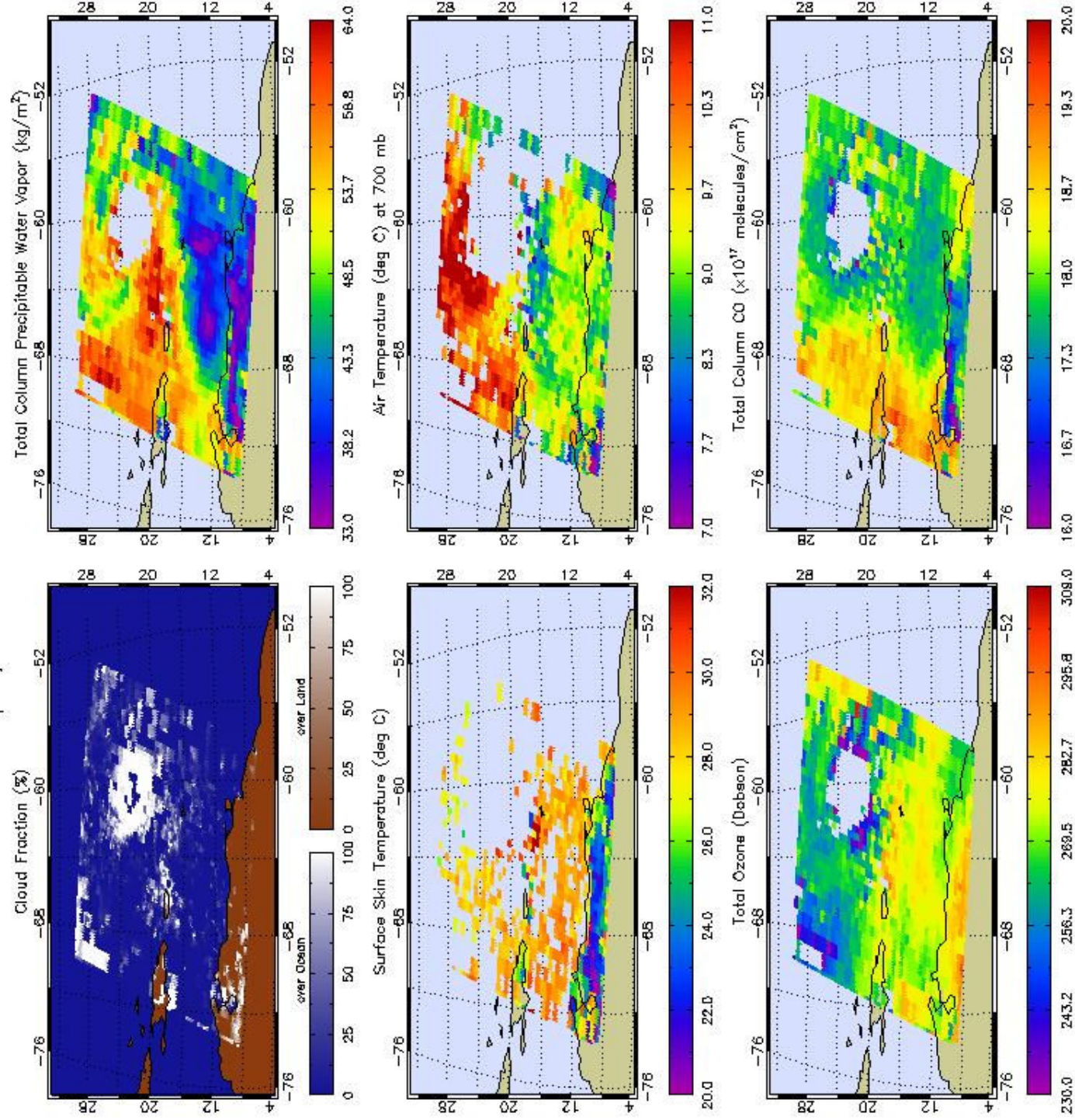
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NetCDF conversion
(bulk conversion available from the shopping cart)

Browse

AIRS Level-2 Standard Retrieval Quick Browse Image

Sep 05, 2008 05:59:25 UTC Granule 060



The new, six-plate view, adds total column CO, and transparent cloud cover.

Granule Id = AIRS-2008.09.05.060.L2.RetStd.v5.2.2.0.G08250063342.hdf

Web Map Service

(should be available by the end October)

- AIRS images of BT_diff_SO2 from the Near-Real-Time flow are utilized in a new Web Map service.
- It is an experimental "quick-look" for scientists working on volcanic eruptions
- Possible interest from NOAA Satellite Analysis Branch
- Web Map Service access
 - Clients: IDV 2.6, McIDAS-V*, GoogleEarth*, Q-GIS, et al.
 - Web Browser: Users can bookmark any region for repeated views
- Web Coverage Service (geotiff) access
 - Clients: Matlab, IDL, ...

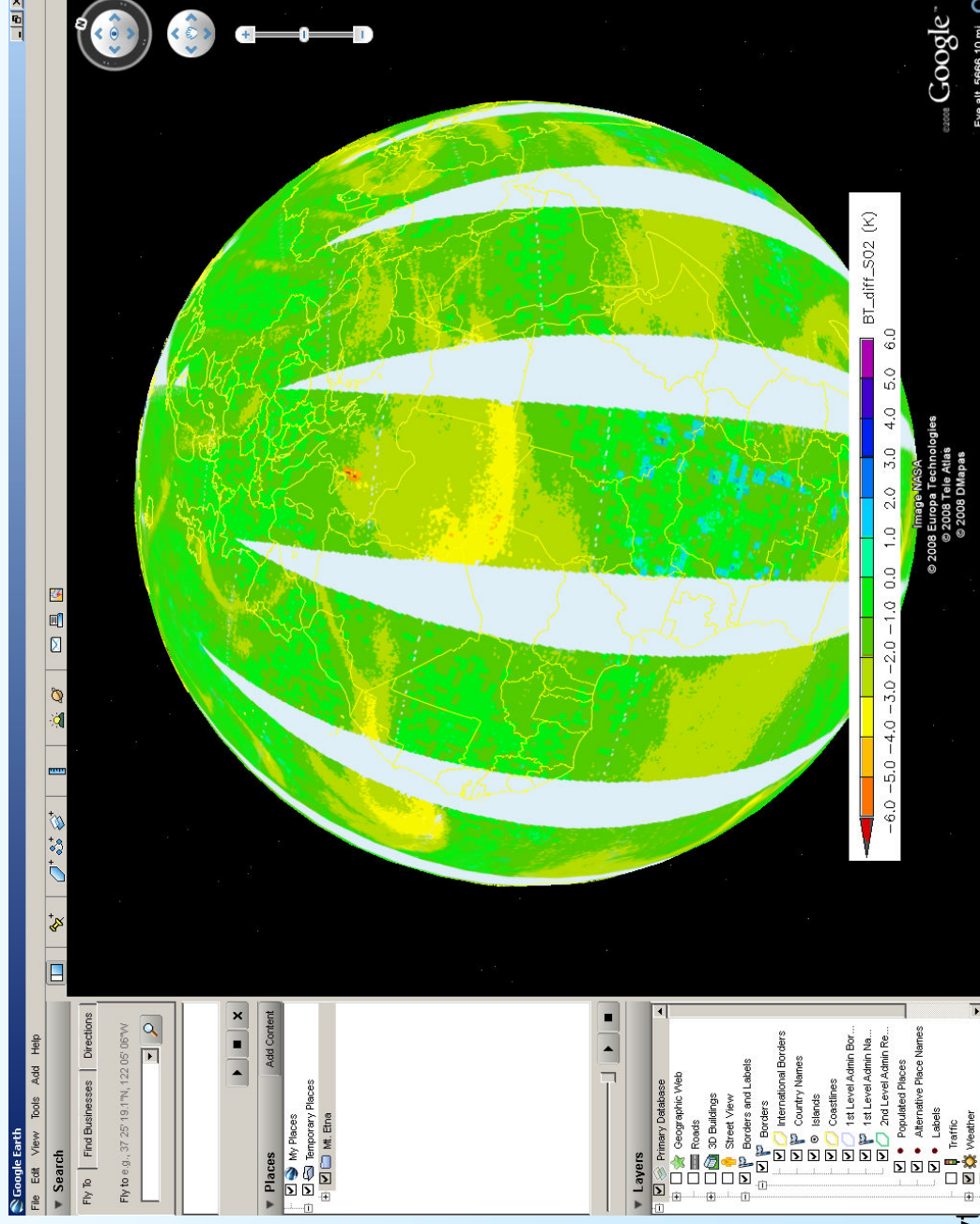
(*Still working on issues with some clients)

Web Map Service

On-line help: http://disc.sci.gsfc.nasa.gov/services/wxs_ogc.shtml

Example URL: (use in GoogleEarth in “add overlay”, or simply in a browser)

http://g0hep12u.ecs.nasa.gov/mapserv-bin/wms_airsnr?service=WMS&VERSION=1.1.1&REQUEST=GetMap&SRS=EPSG:4326&WIDTH=1080&HEIGHT=540&LAYERS=AIRS_BT_diff_SO2_A,coastline&TRANSPARENT=TRUE&FORMAT=image/gif&bbox=-180,-90,180,90



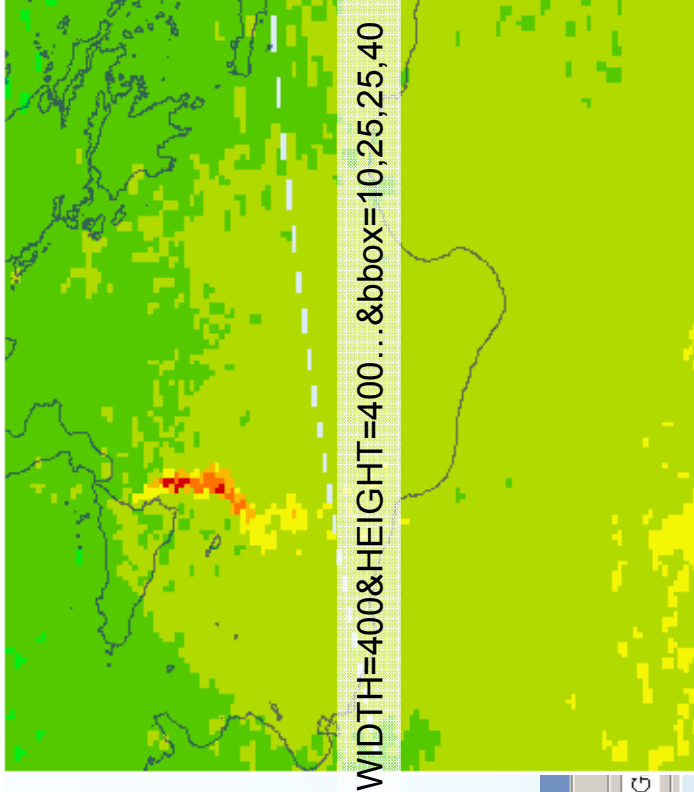
GoogleEarth Example of
Web Map Service-
generated map of
BT_diff_SO2.

(Mt. Etna eruption; Oct 30, 2002;
ascending orbits; original map is
built at 10-km pixel size.)

Web Map Service

Browser example, Oct 30, 2002.

Both views can be just two bookmarks.



wms_airsnt (GIF Image, 1080x540 pixels) - Mozilla Firefox
File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help
http://g0hep12.ecs.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/wms_airsnt?service=WMS&VERSION=1.1.1&REQUEST=G



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➤ A-Train applications

- A-Train Data Depot, incepted in 2005:
<http://disc.sci.gsfc.nasa.gov/atdd/>
- Supported by NASA HQ under ROSES 2005 NNH05ZDA001N-ACCESS
- Objectives:
 - ✓ Support CloudSat with MODIS/Aqua collocated subsets
 - ✓ Provide other collocated subsets: POLDER/PARASOL, OMI/Aura, and AIRS/Aqua.
 - ✓ Provide previews of collocated data from CloudSat, CALIPSO, MODIS, AIRS, POLDER, OMI, MLS, and ECMWF, through “Giovanni”.

(*IEEE Trans. Geosci. Remote Sensing*, vol. 46, pp. 2788-2795, 2008)

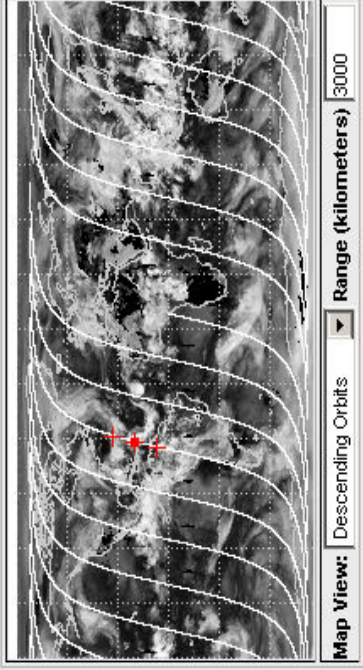
<p>Archived On-line A-Train Subsets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mirador search: http://mirador.gsfc.nasa.gov/ • FTP: ftp://atrain.sci.gsfc.nasa.gov/s4pa
<p>MODIS/Aqua, Level 1B, radiances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MAC021S* ; 1-km radiances • MAC02QS* ; 250-m radiances
<p>MODIS/Aqua, Level 2, atmospheric products</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MAC04S* ; Aerosol Optical Depth Land and Ocean, Aerosol Type over Land, Angstrom Exponent, Mass Concentration, Fine Mode Fraction • MAC05S* ; Water Vapor IR and near IR retrievals • MAC06S* ; Cloud Top Parameters: Pressure, Temperature, Effective Emissivity, Spectral Forcing, Cloud Phase; Cloud Optical Parameters: Cloud Optical Thickness, Effective Particle Radius; Cirrus Detection: Cirrus Reflectance. • MAC07S* ; Temperature and Moisture (dew point temperature) profiles. • MAC35S* ; Cloud Mask: IR, NIR, and CO2 tests; Visible test at 250-m.
<p>OMI/Aura, Level 2, Cloud Pressure, Ozone, and UV index</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OMCLD02_CPR; Cloud effective pressure based on O2-O2 absorption • OMCLDRR_CPR ; Cloud effective pressure based on Raman scattering • OMTO3_CPR ; Column amount O3, UV Aerosol Index, UV reflectivity. • OMAEUV_CPR ; UV Aerosol Index, Aerosol Absorption Optical Depth, Surface Albedo, UV Reflectivity.
<p>POLDER/Parasol, Level 2, Radiation Budget processing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PARASOLRB_CPR ; Column Water Vapor, Cloud Pressure from O2 lines, Cloud Optical Thickness, Cloud Phase, Cloud Albedo, Clear Albedo.

<p>Giovanni-Generated Subset Segments</p> <p>http://gdata1.sci.gsfc.nasa.gov/daacbin/G3/gui.cgi?instance_id=atrain</p>
<p>MODIS/Aqua, Level 2, atmospheric products</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MAC04S1 ; Aerosol Total Optical Depth, and Fine Mode fraction. • MAC06S1 ; Cloud Top Pressure and Temperature, Cloud Optical Thickness. • MAC07S1 ; Vertical profiles of Temperature and Moisture (dew point temperature).
<p>OMI/Aura, Level 2, Cloud Pressure, Ozone, and UV index</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OMCLD02_CPR; Effective Cloud Pressure, based on O2-O2 absorption • OMCLDRR_CPR ; Effective Cloud Pressure for O3, based on Raman scattering. • OMTO3_CPR ; Reflectivity at 360 nm, UV Aerosol Index. • OMAEUV_CPR ; Final Aerosol Absorption Optical Depth (352 nm), Lambert Equivalent Reflectivity (352 nm).
<p>POLDER/Parasol, Level 2, Radiation Budget processing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PARASOLRB_CPR ; Clear Albedo, Cloud Cover, Cloud Optical Thickness, Cloud Phase Index, Cloud Pressure (O2), Cloud Pressure (Rayleigh), Cloud Spherical Albedo, Shortwave Albedo, Water Vapor Column
<p>AIRS Level 2 Standard Retrieval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AIRX2RET ; Vertical profiles of Temperature and Mass Mixing Ratio, Cloud Top Temperature and Pressure, Total Cloud Liquid Water.
<p>CloudSat Level 1B Received Echo Powers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1B-CPR ; Vertical profiles of Received Echo Powers, and derived dBZ reflectivity.
<p>CloudSat Level 2 retrievals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2B-CLDCLASS ; Vertical profiles of Cloud Scenario • 2B-CWC-RO ; Vertical profiles of Ice and Liquid Water Cloud Content, radar-only retrieval.
<p>CALIPSO Lidar Level 2 retrievals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VFM; Vertical Feature Mask (profiles) for Cloud/Aerosol types.

These subsets available in Giovanni only

*Available in 200- and 10-km swath widths; The rest are 200-km-wide, (+/-100 km) only.

http://gdata1.sci.gsfc.nasa.gov/daac-bin/G3/gui.cgi?instance_id=atrain



Temporal

Orbit Date Year 2008 Month Sep Day 5 Update Map (Range: 02 Jun 2006 - 29 Sep 2008)

Help with temporal availability.

Parameters

Show Parameter Units

Curtains

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Specific Humidity Profile ↗	ECMWF_AUX.008	ECMWF model	2006/06/15 - 2008/09/29
<input type="checkbox"/> Clouds				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cloud/Aerosol Classification (Vertical Feature Mask)	VFM.002	Calipso - Lidar	2006/06/13 - 2008/09/28
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Reflectivity dBZ ↗	1B_CPR.008	CloudSat	2006/06/02 - 2008/09/29

Strips

Surface

Strips

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Select Visualization:

Subset Parameters Along Orbit Track

[Visualization Help](#)

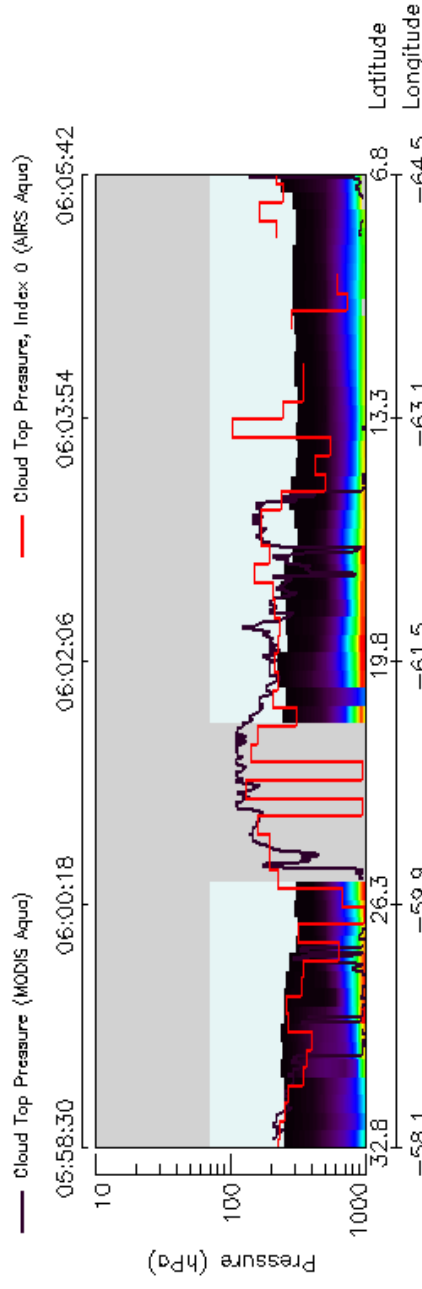
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Alert A new window will be opened when "Generate Visualization" is selected.

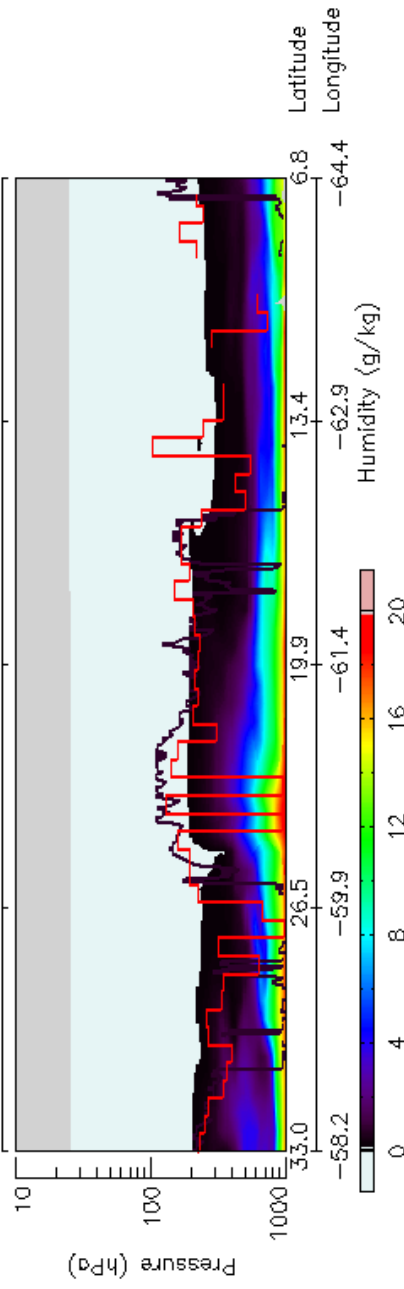
H₂O Vapor Mass Mixing Ratio (AIRS Aqua)

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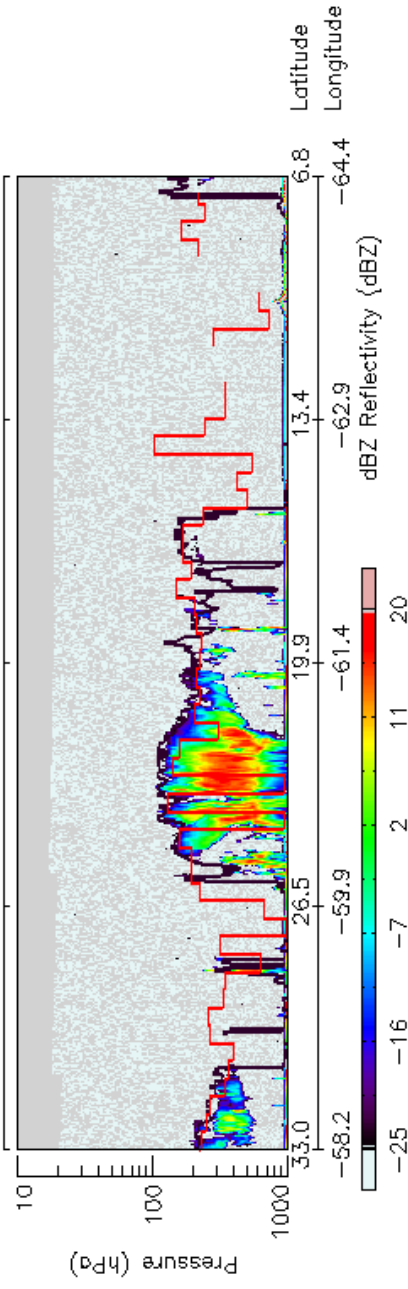
Specific Humidity Profile (ECMWF model)

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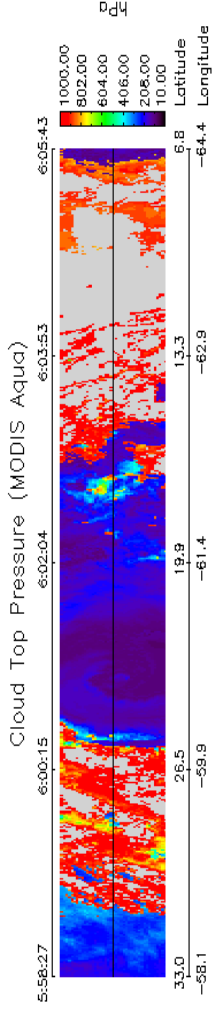
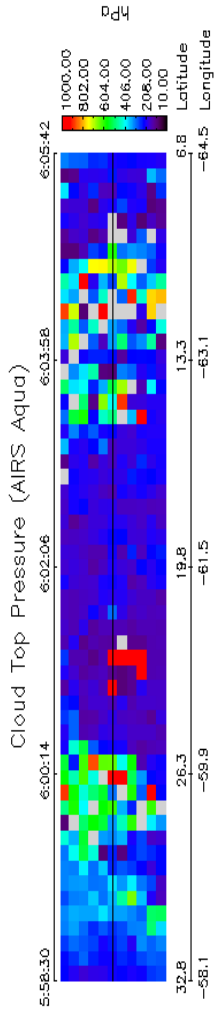
Reflectivity dBZ (CloudSat)

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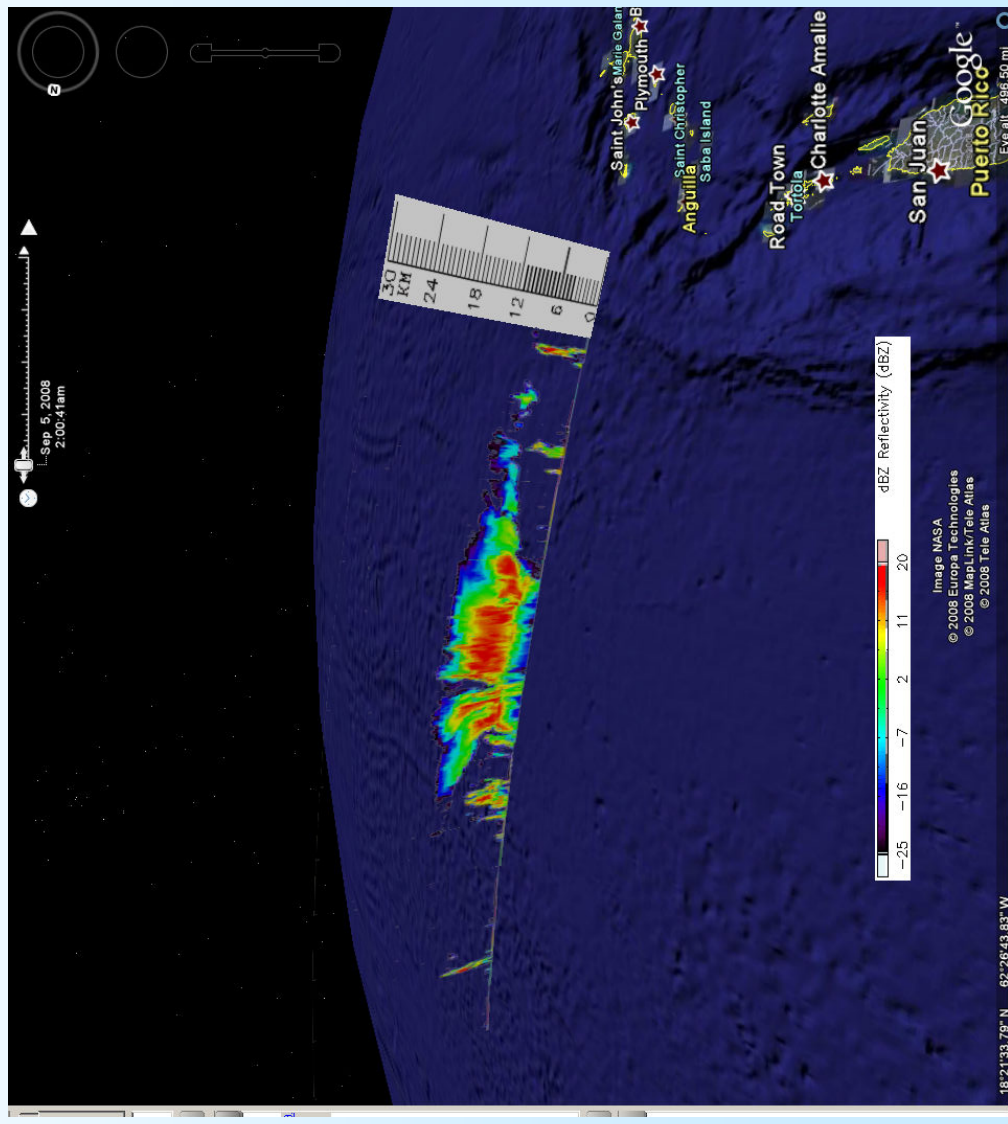
Collocated with
CloudSat vertical
profiles of AIRS and
ECMWF humidity;
line overplots of
collocated cloud top
pressures from AIRS
and MODIS.

(Hurricane Ike)



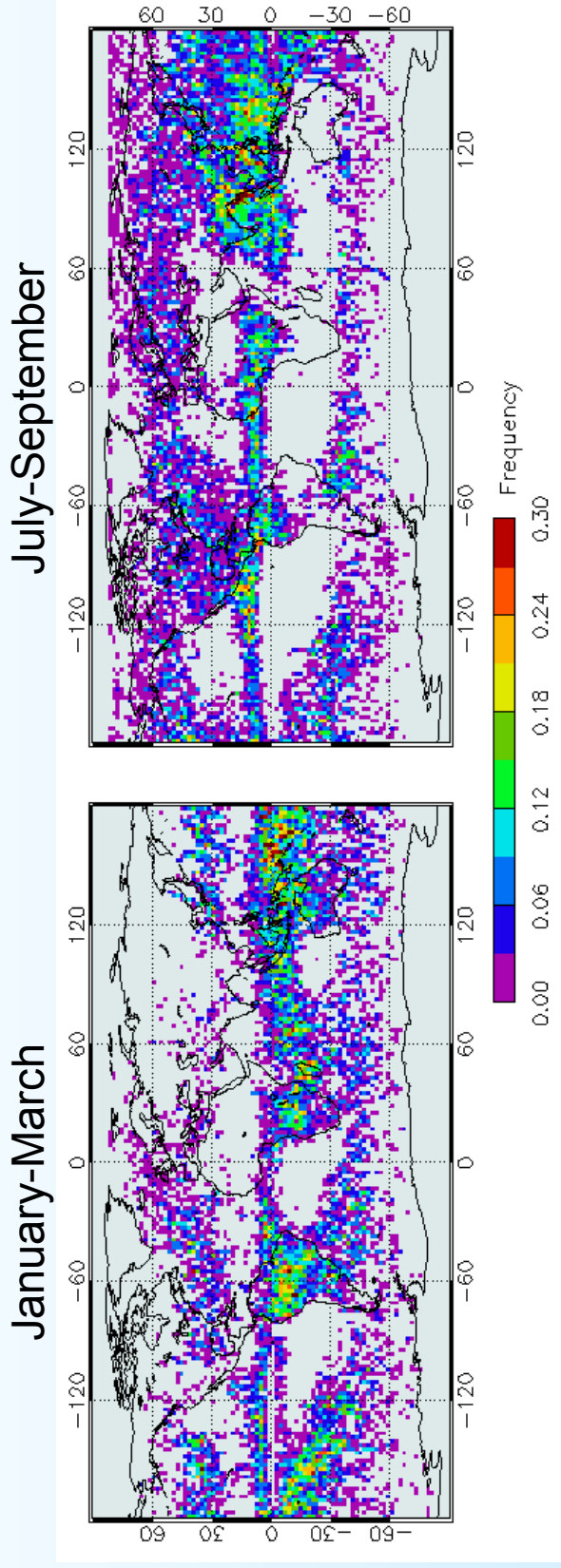
CloudSat-collocated strip plots from Giovanni

KMZ-format file, produced by Giovanni, containing CloudSat reflectivities and displayed in GoogleEarth.



➤ Deep convection and upper tropospheric humidity – a look from the A-Train

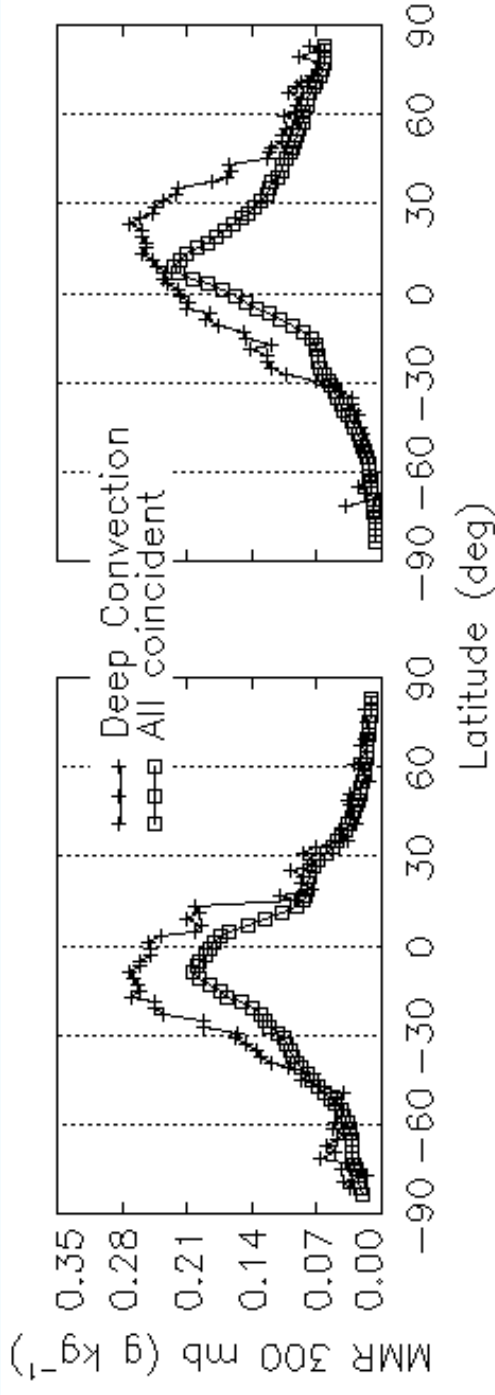
(Submitted to GRL)



Frequency of Deep Convection derived from the CloudSat cloud scenario, from 2007

January-March

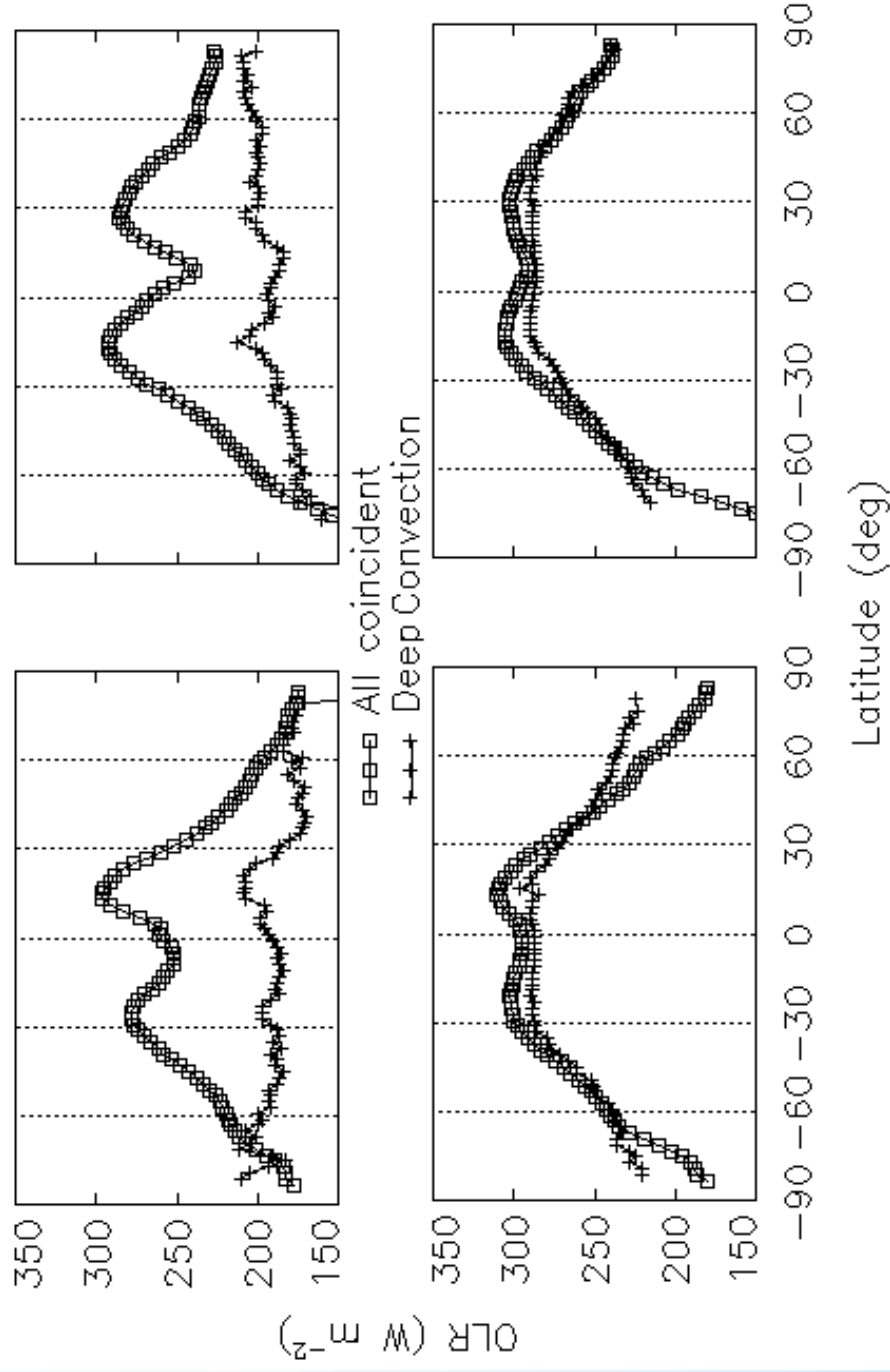
July-September



Zonal averages of AIRS MMR at 300 mb, from all coincident with CPR pixels, and from those collocated with deep convective events only

January-March

July-September

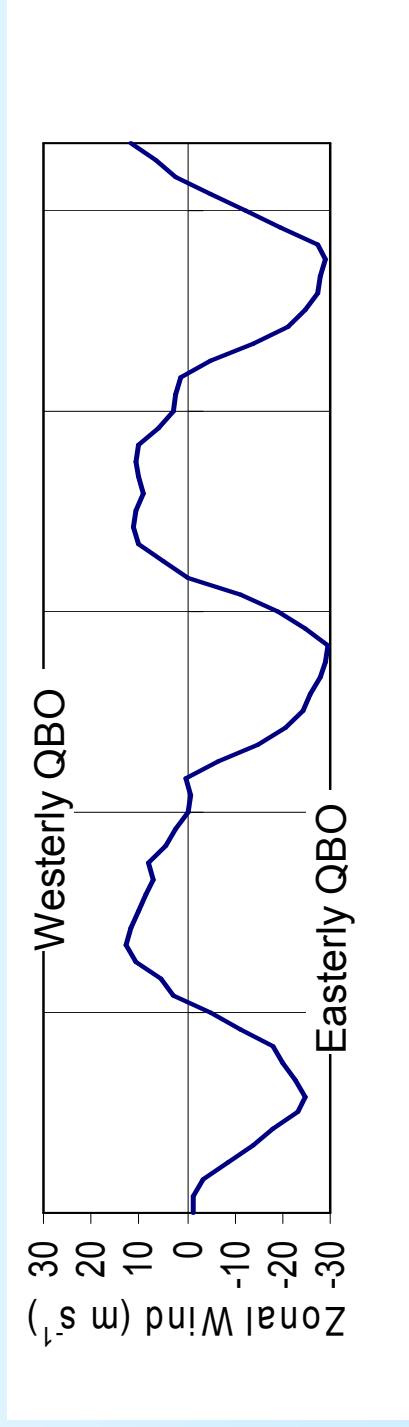
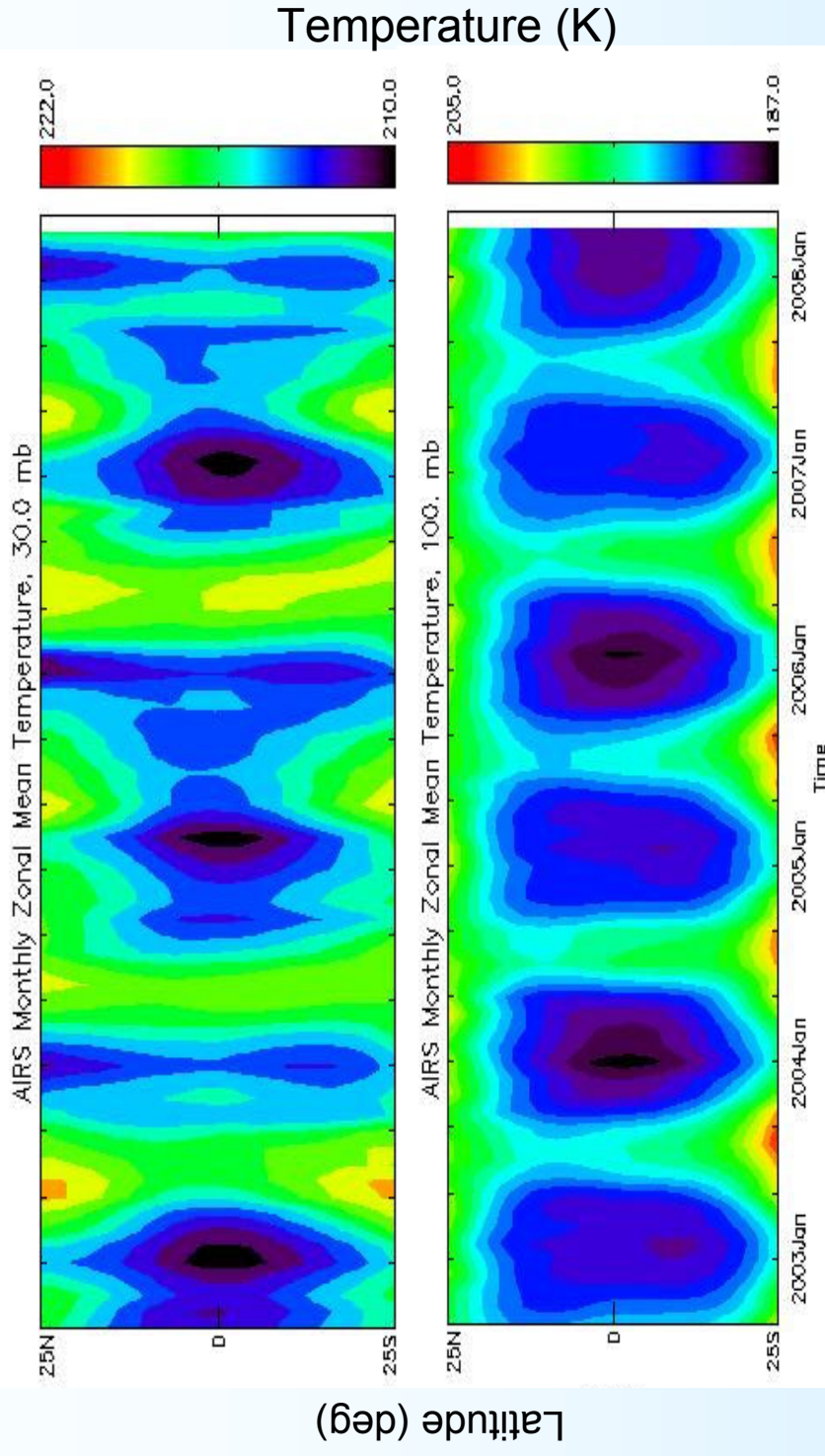


Zonal averages of AIRS all-sky (top), and clear-sky (bottom), OLR from all coincident with CPR pixels, and from those collocated with deep convective events only.

➤ Variability in the middle atmosphere in response to Quasi-Biennial Oscillation (QBO) and solar activity

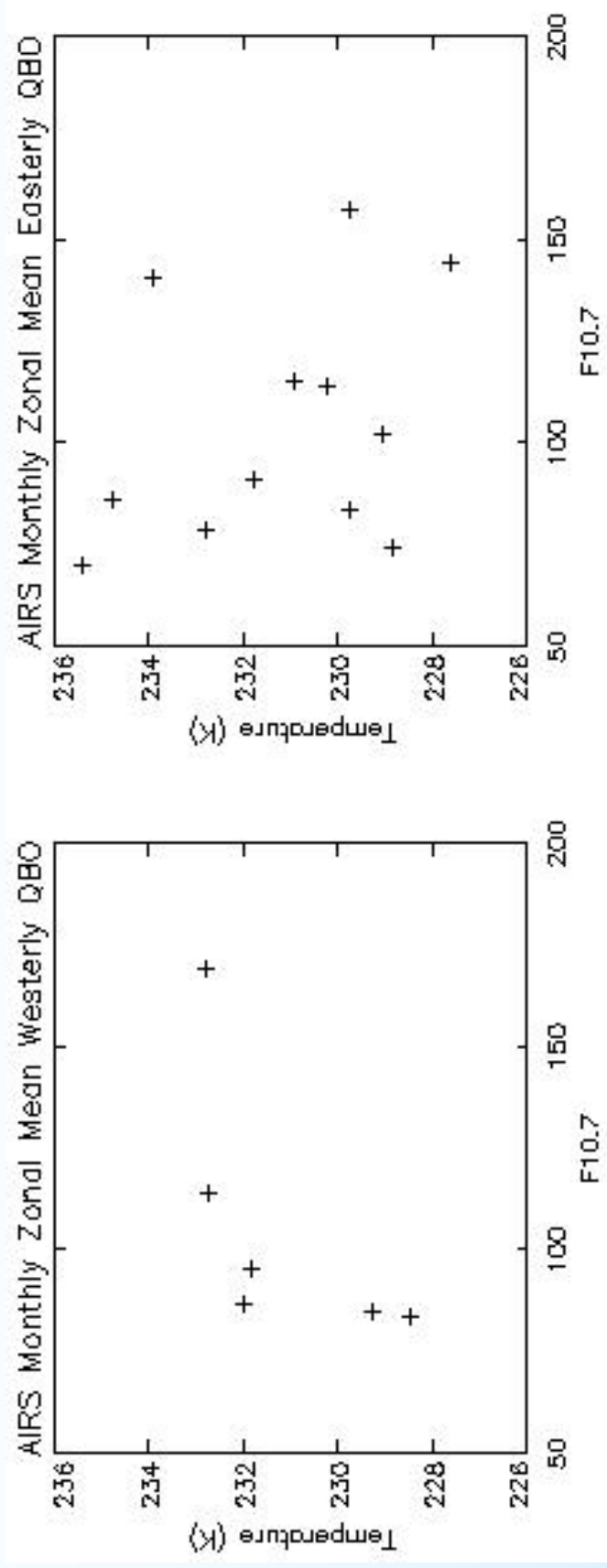
(Proposal submitted to NASA ROSES, PI Young-In Won)

- Changes in the middle atmosphere (stratosphere and mesosphere) are good indicators of climate change.
- Among the variability components are the temperature changes related to solar activity and QBO.
- The proposed work includes utilization of data from AIRS, MLS, and SORCE.



AIRS reveals well the QBO, e.g. in the 30 and 100 mb temperatures (top).
 30 mb zonal wind at the Equator (bottom).

AIRS 10 mb Temperatures at the Equator, November-January, 2002-2008

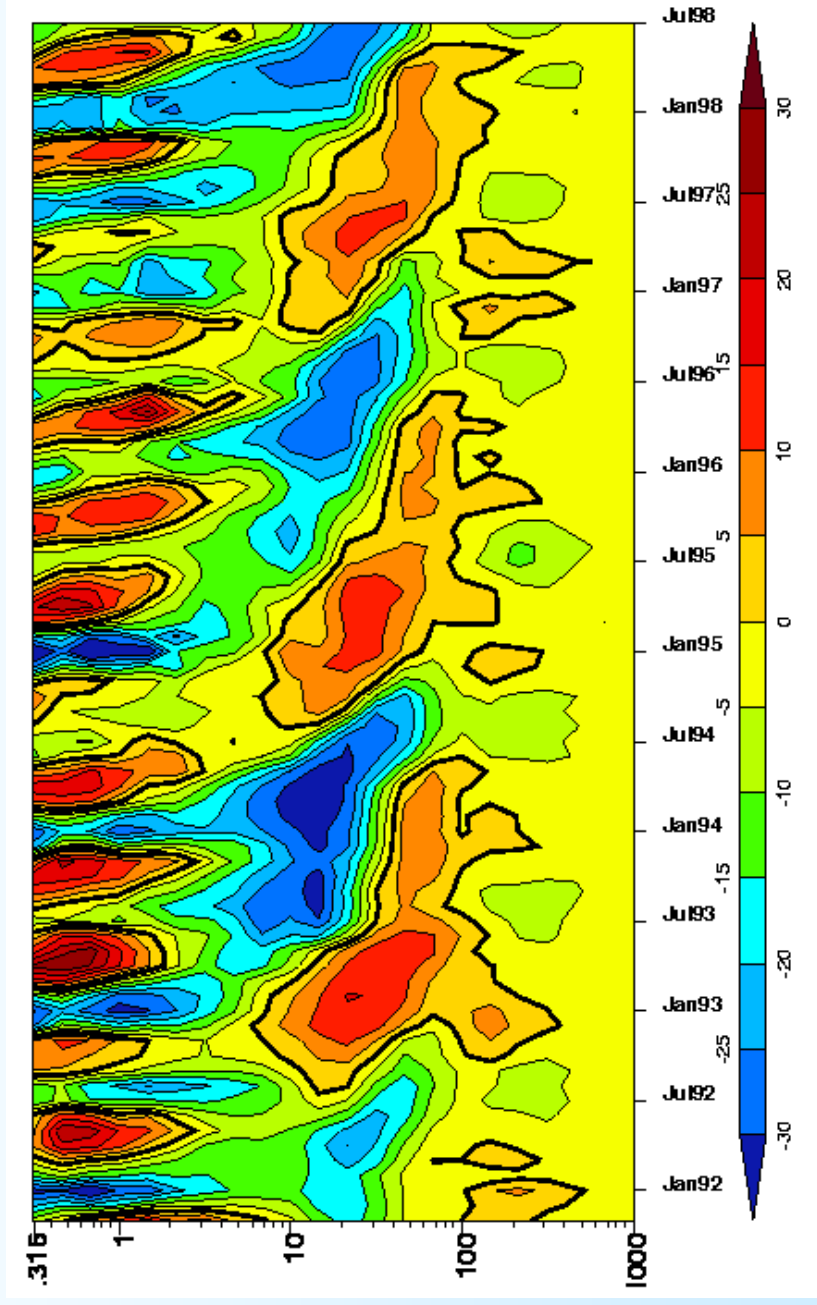


10 mb Temperatures tend to be better related with the solar activity factor F10.7 during the Westerly QBO.

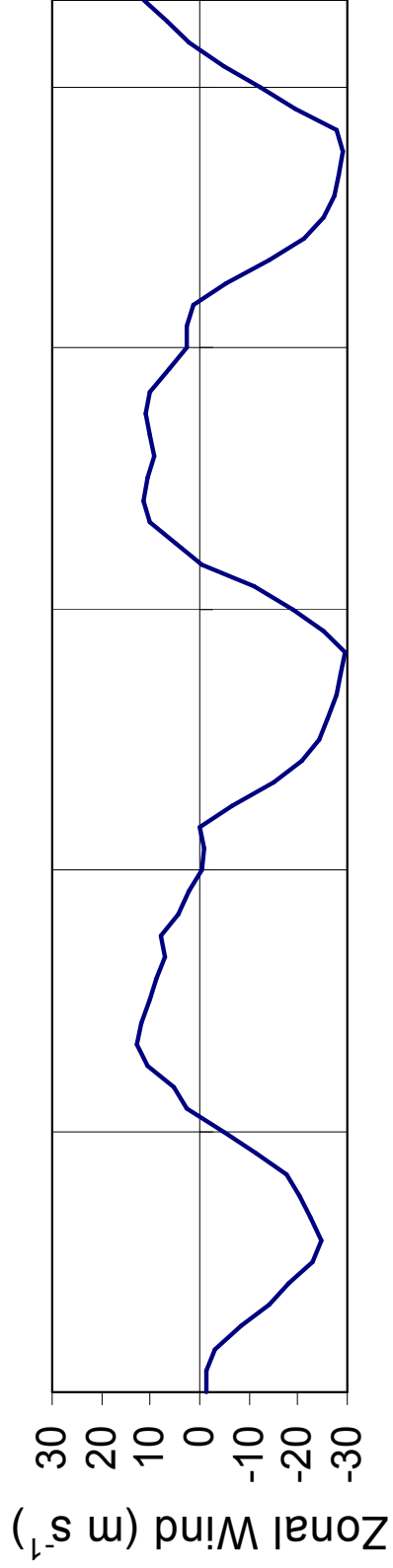
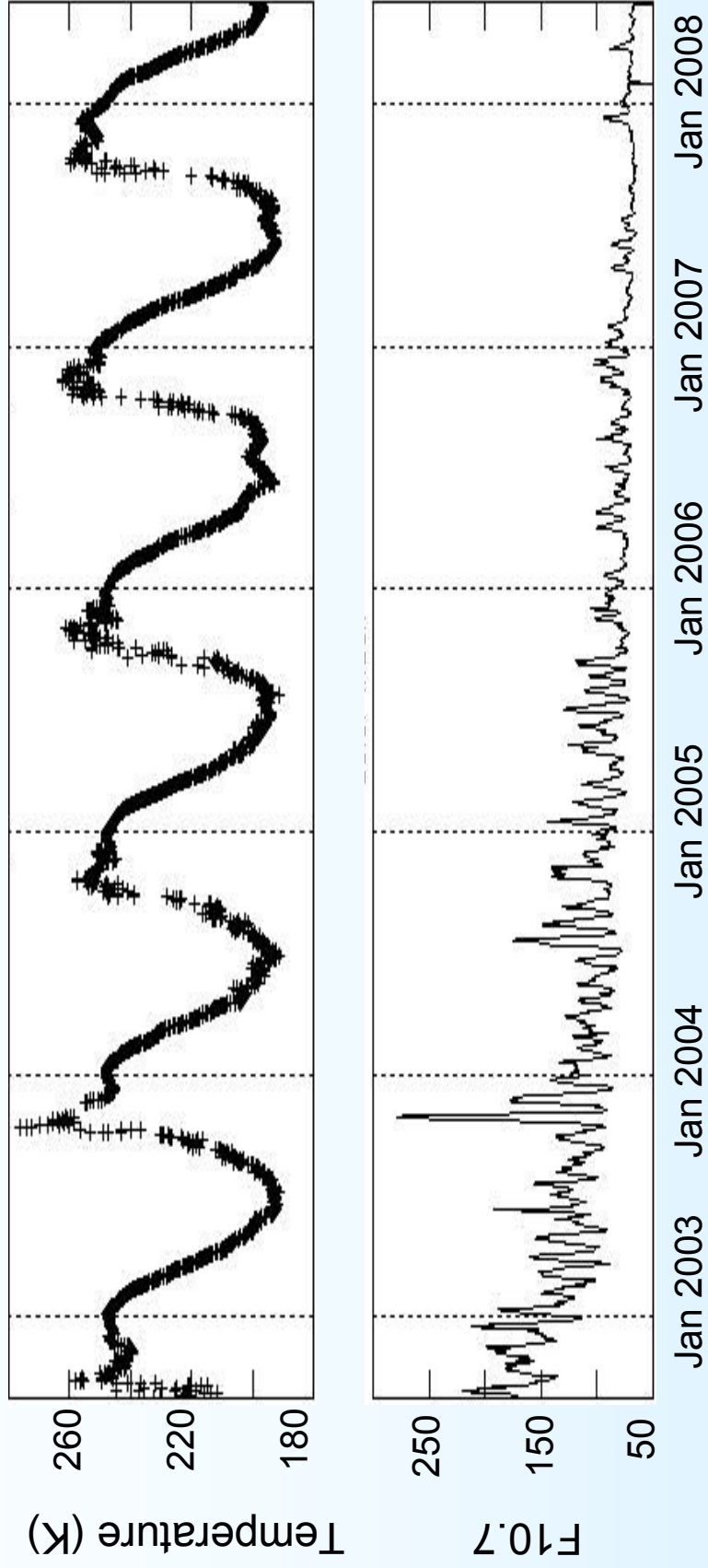
Extra slides

Quasi-Biennial Oscillation (QBO) Feature

QBO: The wind above the equator changes direction on average every ~ 26 months.



- related to upward propagating waves and consequent momentum deposition changes
- solar cycle signature can be identified in connection with the phase of QBO.



30 mb zonal wind at the Equator.