NSF HIAPER POLE-TO-POLE OBSERVATIONS (HIPPO) of carbon cycle and greenhouse gases

Will measure cross sections from the surface to the tropopause, at 5 times of year in a 3-year period, for a comprehensive suite of tracers: CO_2 , CH_4 , O_2 : N_2 ratio, CO_3 , N_2 O, N_3 CO, N_3 CO, N_4 CO, N_5 CO,

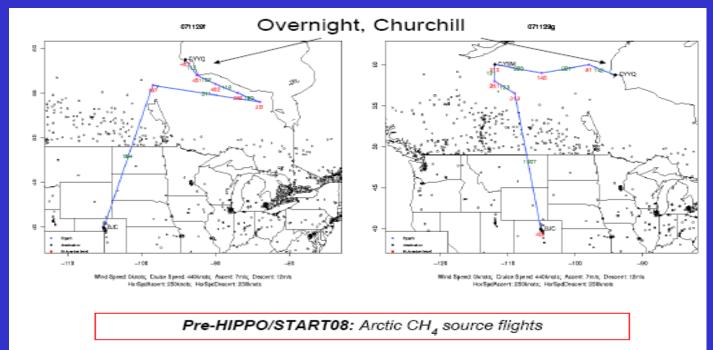


Pre-HIPPO (April-June 2008): test aircraft payload in flights out of Jeffco and take opportunity for Arctic/subarctic boundary layer sampling; combined with NCAR's Stratosphere-Troposphere Analyses of Regional Transport (START08) campaign.

ARCTIC SCIENCE IN PRE-HIPPO

- * Two Pre-HIPPO deployments: Apr 21 May 6 and June 16-28
- Will include two pairs of Arctic/subarctic boundary layer flights (30 h total) focused on:
 - seasonal sources of methane;
 - pollution transport from Europe and Asia;
 - providing continuity with ARCTAS over April-July window, with particular focus on methane, black carbon, PAN, ozone...
- Intercomparison with ARCTAS DC-8 is critical for continuity objective; timing implies intercomparison on ARCTAS transit flights.

Pre-HIPPO nominal Arctic flights



INTERCOMPARISON WILL INVOLVE LARGE # OF SPECIES

Pre-HIPPO/HIPPO/START08 G-V Payloads

- •HAIS/HARVARD Quantum Cascade Laser Spectrometer (QCLS) (CO₂, CH₄, CO, N₂O)
- •NOAA UCATS GC-ECD (CO, CH4, H2, N2O, SF6); uv-O3; TDL-H2O
- •NOAA PANTHER GC (PAN, CFCs, HCFCs, H1211, CH₃X, COS, CS₂)
- •NCAR in situ O2:N2
- NOAA Ozone
- •NCAR/Scripps MEDUSA flasks (O₂:N₂, Ar:N₂, CO₂, ^{12/13}C^{16/18}O₂)
- •HAIS/Miami whole air (CO, CH₄, hydrocarbons, halocarbons, COS, many other species) §
- •HAIS/NCAR NO/NOy §
- •CU CLH Laser Hygrometer H₂O §
- •HARVARD CO (VUV CO sensor)¶
- •NOAA SP2 (Black Carbon)[¶]
- •NOAA flasks (NWAS) (CFCs, 13/12CO2, HCFCs, HFCs, COS, CS2, CH3X)¶
- •HARVARD CO, (IRGA-based CO, sensor)¶

START: Omitted on HIPPO global "HIPPO: Omitted on START08

Need wingtip-to-wingtip boundary layer legs followed by vertical profiling; two intercomparisons (April transit back and June transit out)