

# Lidar and Radar Remote Sensing at Sandia National Laboratories



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# DOE-ARM Operational Remote Sensing Measurement Locations



North Slope  
of Alaska

Southern Great Plains

Eastern North Atlantic



- ARM Site
- Other Facilities and Deployments

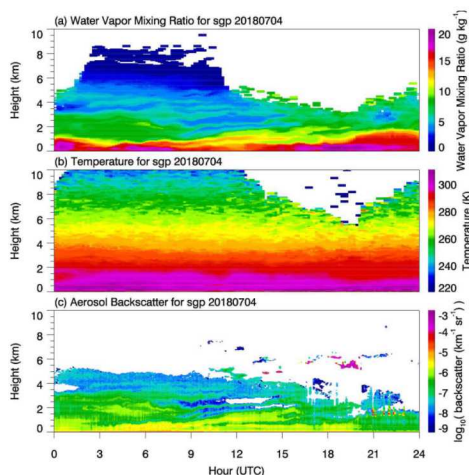
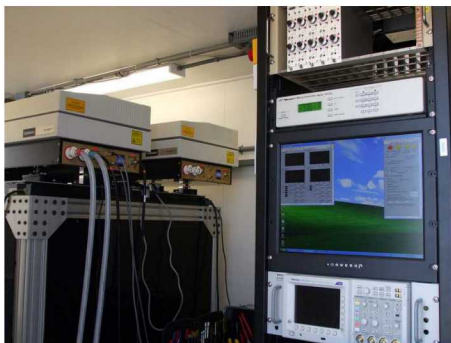
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See:  
<https://www.arm.gov/tour/>

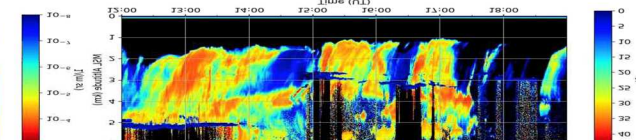
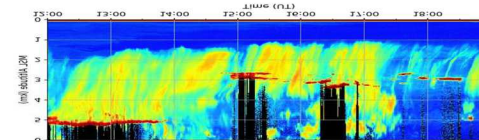
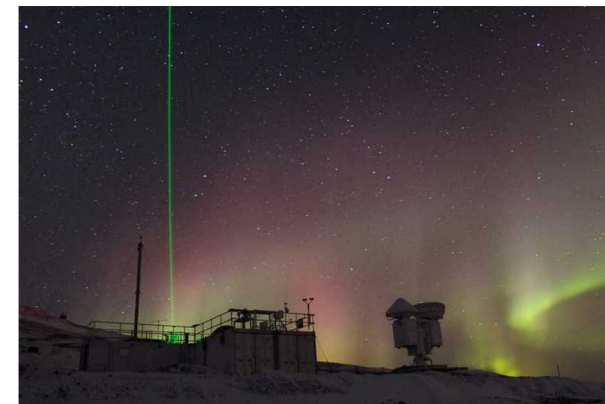


# Atmospheric Lidar Mentorship for the DOE-ARM Program

## Raman Lidar profiling of water vapor, aerosols, and temperature



## High Spectral Resolution Lidar for detailed profiling of aerosols



Upgrade in progress: dual wavelength and scanning capabilities in 2020

Potential areas for collaboration:

- New combined-measurement retrieval algorithms for clouds and aerosols
- Studies of atmospheric phenomena and climate model validation



# Radar ISR Solutions

3+ decades of experience delivering pathfinder ISR solutions for complex, critical and urgent national security problems (FFRDC)

- ▶ All Weather, Day or Night
- ▶ High Resolution, Optical-like
- ▶ On-board and Real-time Processing
- ▶ Flexible platform and TPED (Tasking, Processing Exploitation and Dissemination) Configuration

Sandia Radar

[www.sandia.gov/radar/](http://www.sandia.gov/radar/)





# Mission Solutions

Provider of mission solutions that leverage physics, engineering, and data and information science to support national security decision making

## ▶ Mission Engineering

- ▶ Pre-Mission Planning & Flight Planning
- ▶ Highly customized TPs and CONOPs
- ▶ Continuous performance assessments
- ▶ Analyst Training on AR phenomenology

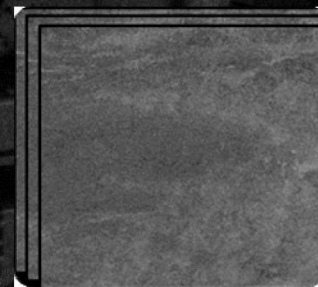
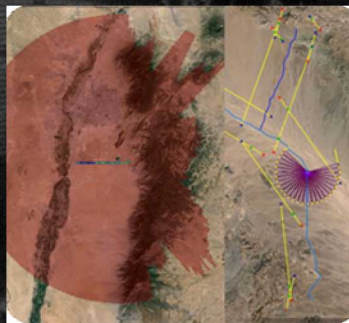
## ▶ Real-time Processing

- ▶ Real-time Delivery of Multiple Image Products to Analysts
- ▶ Image Format Conversion
- ▶ Change Detection Products
- ▶ Transmission of Real-time Products

## ▶ Advanced Sensor Exploitation

- ▶ Predictive Sensor Use
- ▶ Human-in-the-loop
- ▶ Advanced Sensor Exploitation Techniques

## ▶ Analyst



*Integration into Processing Exploitation and Dissemination cycle is critical*



# Hard Problems

- Ultra-wideband and software defined RF detection capabilities
- Real time, low size weight and power processing
- Effective and efficient human machine interfaces
- Extraction of information from physics represented by SAR imagery
- Ultrawideband, high-frequency planar antenna technologies
- Complex scattering signature analysis and measurements
- Integration of next generation system on a chip FPGA capabilities

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