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AEROCLIMA - Direct and indirect effects of aerosols on climate in Amazonia and Pantanal

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Large number of students and Pos Docs

Observations and modeling of the Amazon atmosphere, radiation balance and precipitation

Climate Ecosystems Atmospheric Composition

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AEROCLIMA: Direct and indirect effects of aerosols on climate in Amazonia and Pantanal

Objectives: Investigate the connection between the concentration and physico-chemical properties of biogenic and biomass burning aerosol particles in the radiation balance and climate, including effects on cloud development and microphysics for two important regions in South America: Amazonia and Pantanal.

Scientific Strategy: AEROCLIMA has 4 integrated components:

- 1) Observations of aerosols, clouds, trace gases and radiation (*Paulo Artaxo*)
- 2) Remote sensing of aerosols and clouds (Alexandre Correia)
- 3) Modeling of clouds dynamics and evolution and precipitation: (Maria Assunção F. Silva Dias)
- 4) Large scale atmospheric transport modeling (*Henrique Barbosa, Karla Longo and Saulo Freitas*)

AEROCLIMA Specific aims

The **overall objective** of AEROCLIMA is to *investigate the connection between the concentration and physico-chemical properties of biogenic and biomass burning aerosol in the radiation balance and climate, including effects on cloud development and microphysics for two important regions in South America: Amazonia and Pantanal.* The basic concept for AEROCLIMA is that of an integrated study, combining field studies, remote sensing and modeling. To achieve this goal, we will perform the following tasks:

•Calculate long term <u>direct and indirect radiative forcing</u> of aerosols in Amazonia and Pantanal, using a combination of measurements and modeling tools.

•<u>Characterize in detail physico-chemical properties of aerosol particles</u> that are relevant for their impact on the environment and climatic effects.

•Install and operate three aerosol field measurement stations that for one year will study detailed properties of aerosols: size distribution, absorption, scattering, composition, CCN activity and others. Aerosol and water vapor vertical profiles will be measured with a Raman Lidar. These stations will be installed at: Manaus, Porto Velho (biomass burning region) and Campo Grande (Pantanal).

•Implement <u>intensive measurement programs</u> such as the proposed LBA/CLAIRE2010, were more detailed aerosol properties will be measured including aerosol mass spectrometry, ion cluster measurements and detailed organic aerosol composition, VOC concentrations, among others.

•Perform **large scale aircraft measurements** using the INPE Bandeirante aircraft to measure the large scale and vertical distribution of aerosols. Develop innovative instrumentation to measure water phase and cloud droplets in convective and stratus clouds.

•Use <u>remote sensing measurements</u> with MODIS, CALIPSO and CERES to study large scale and long term aerosol and radiation fields in Amazonia and Pantanal. This will be used to quantify the effect of smoke aerosol on cloud properties.

•Develop and evaluate semi-empirical parameterizations for the <u>cloud-aerosol-radiation interaction</u> suitable for the Amazon basin and Pantanal region for different aerosol burden regimes.

•Model the effect of biogenic and biomass burning aerosol on <u>cloud microphysics</u> at the individual cloud and at regional level with spectral bin microphysics coupled to BRAMS. Perform sensitivity studies to investigate the relative importance of each variable.

•Implement **regional models with full aerosol microphysics**, developed based on measurements in this project. The regional models will be based on CATT-BRAMS and WRF-CHEM models.

•To <u>contribute to the BMGCS development</u>, taking advantage of all expertise gained in the context of this proposal on the parameterizations for aerosol-cloud-radiation interactions and gaseous and aerosol chemistry.

AEROCLIMA measurements in Manaus and Porto Velho

- Continuous aerosol analysis is being done with:
- SFU for fine and coarse mode aerosols with analysis for trace elements.
- Organic and Elemental Carbon and ionic composition;
- MOUDI for aerosol size distribution
- TSI 3-Lambda Neph for light scattering
- MAAP (Multi Angle Absorption Photometer) for absorption
- Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer SMPS for aerosol size distribution (10-450nm)
- GRIMM OPC for 0.3-10 µm size distributions
- Cloud Condensation Nuclei (CCN) measurements.
- Ozone, CO, methane, CO₂ with Picarro CVRD.
- Raman Lidar continuosly up to 15 Km.
- Sun-photometry network (8 NASA AERONET instruments)
- Radiometers for visible and broadband radiation fluxes

Amazonia has strong coupling between terrestrial ecosystem and the hydrologic cycle: The linkages among carbon cycle, aerosol life cycle, and cloud life cycle need to be understood and quantified.



Susceptibility and expected reaction to stresses of global climate change as well as pollution introduced by future regional economic development are not known or quantified at present time.

Aerosol and Water Cycling over the Pristine Rainforest

Secondary Organic Aerosols formed by photooxidation of volatile organic compounds (VOC) and PBA emitted from biota in the rainforest (plants and microorganisms) serve as biogenic nuclei for CCN and IN, which induce warm or cold rain formation, precipitation, and wet deposition of gases and particles.

U. Pöschl, et al., "Rainforest aerosols as biogenic nuclei of clouds and precipitation in the Amazon," *Science*, 2010, 329, 1513-1516.

S.T. Martin, et al, "An Overview of the Amazonian Aerosol Characterization Experiment 2008 (AMAZE-08)," *Atmospheric Chemistry Physics*, 2010, 10, 11415-11438.



In AEROCLIMA, several scales are necessary to study atmospheric properties in the Amazon region

10 km

Area of impact





Biophysical Processes



1000 km

Amazonia: 3 different types of aerosols

Biogenic (primary and SOA) Biomass Burning

Dust from Sahara



Each with VERY different properties and impacts

- Site: 100 Km North of Manaus. Measurements: from Feb 2008 up to now.

Manau

- Continuation as a permanent sampling site.
- Three towers at the site, from 35 to 55 meters.
- Dryer to get aerosol at 30-40% RH



HYSPLIT air mass trajectories during for AEROCLIMA Manaus site







(a) 500 m

(b) 1000 m

Container with equipment powered by generators



Manaus EMBRAPA AEROCLIMA site



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Rondonia - Porto Velho aerosol and trace gases measurement site







Porto Velho AEROCLIMA site



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Medidas sendo realizadas em Porto Velho

- Concentração de massa de aerossóis com SFU PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}
- Composição elementar com PIXE (Sódio a Chumbo)
- Distribuição de tamanho com SMPS Partículas de 10 nm a 800 nm
- Espalhamento ótico (nefelometro)
- Absorção ótica (Black Carbon) com MAAP e Aethalometro.
- Ozônio com 2B Tech
- A partir de Dezembro: Mercúrio total e particulado



Fotômetros solares da rede AERONET (*Aerosol Robotic Network*): um sistema de monitoramento e caracterização de aerossóis mantidos pela NASA, a partir de uma rede de radiômetros solares operados na Amazônia e outras regiões do planeta.



Medidas de espessura ótica de aerossóis (AOT) \rightarrow (Comprimentos de onda: 340, 380, 440, 500, 670, 870, 940 e 1020 nanômetros)

Aerosol optical thickness in Manaus



Glauber Cirino

Aerosol optical thickness in Rondônia



Glauber Cirino







Al, Si and Ti elemental Concentration for fine and coarse mode aerosols Feb. to September





Ti (ng/m³)

Manaus aerosol light scattering TSI Nephelometer 2008-2010



Manaus aerosol light absorption at 637 nm MAAP 2008-2010







Manaus Ozone 2010-2011



Amazonian aerosol size distributions 2008-2010

Wet season

Dry season



Fit Parameters for median size distributions:

	Ultrafine mode			Aitken mode			Accumulation mode		
	N1 [cm-3]	Dpg1 [nm]	sg1	N2 [cm-3]	Dpg2 [nm]	sg2	N3 [cm-3]	Dpg3 [nm]	sg3
Wet season (Dec-Jun)	121	34.9	0.28	314	71.0	0.20	403	163.5	0.24
Dry season (Jul-Nov)				926	117.3	0.36	699	175.9	0.22

Monthly average optical properties





Single scattering albedo

Tambem:

Perfil vertical de aerossóis com Lidar até 15 Km Vapor de água no perfil do Lidar CCN continuamente Cruzamento com medidas de CO, CO2, O3, VOCs contínuo Etc...



New particle formation? Bursts of particles 10<D_p<40 nm.

2009-04-04 EUCAARI Amazonia



Aerosol size distributions measured in 2009 Apr 4th. There was a burst of ultrafine particles from 2:00 to 4:00 UTC time.

New particle formation and subsequent growth was seldom observed along two years of measurements. Nevertheless, in 70% of the days, bursts of particles with diameters in the range 10-40nm were detected. The events usually lasted from 20 to 120min, and the subsequent growth to larger sizes was not always clearly observed.

Particle production at about 20 nm

Which biological process is responsible for this new particle formation?





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UTC time

6:00 9:00 12:00 15:00

18:00



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Large scale distribution of biomass burning aerosols in South America





Raman Lidar observations of aerosols on Cape Verde and Manaus

Range-corrected lidar signals

Complex vertical layering of dust and smoke up to 5.5 km height was observed over Praia, Cape Verde, on 3 February 2008. (top).

An homogeneous layer was observed in Manaus Feb. 10. (bottom)





Ansmann et al., GRL 2009



Deforestation was reduced from 27,000 Km² in 2004 to 7,000 Km² in 2009.

> How much aerosols were reduced?



What public policies are needed to sustain this reduction?

Yearly deforestation with MODIS AOD and hot pixels from NOAA



Yearly deforestation over the Brazilian Amazon region (INPE, 2010) compared to MODIS daily smoke optical depth and the daily number of hot pixels from NOAA-12 and NOAA-15.

Examples of the spatial distribution of the SWARF at TOA



The higher the AOD the higher is the correlation between SWARF and AOD. For lower AOD values the influence of other parameters such as the surface reflectance also become important.

Large scale radiative forcing in Amazonia from 2000 to 2007

CERES (Clouds and the Earth's Radiant Energy System) and MODIS









Elisa Thomé Sena, PhD Student IFUSP

Amazon shortwave aerosol radiative forcing (SWARF) at the top of the atmosphere (TOA) from 2000 to 2009 using shortwave (SW) flux at the TOA from the CERES sensor and AOD from MODIS.

Table 1 – Shortwave aerosol radiative forcing for Amazon region during the biomass burning season of the years 2000 to 2009.

Year	Valid Cells	SWARF (W/m ²)
2000	1163	-12.3 <u>+</u> 12.5
2001	1492	-8.1 <u>+</u> 13.3
2002	1447	-12.8 <u>+</u> 11.8
2003	1392	-12.0 <u>+</u> 12.5
2004	185	-13.4 <u>+</u> 17.6
2005	1799	-15.0 <u>+</u> 13.4
2006	1654	-9.5 <u>+</u> 12.9
2007	1731	-13.9 <u>+</u> 17.1
2008	1665	-8.2 <u>+</u> 15.9
2009	1405	-4.7 <u>+</u> 11.0
Av	verage	-10.6 <u>+</u> 4.2



AERONET time series of the aerosol optical depth at 500 nm from 2000 to 2009 over two Amazon sites: Alta Floresta and Rio Branco.

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Clouds and rain are made of 3 basic ingredients:

Water Vapor

Aerosol particle acting as a Cloud Condensation Nuclei

Thermodynamic conditions of the atmosphere

Highly non-linear processes

Aerosol-cloud-precipitation feedbacks

CCN = cloud condensation nuclei and IN = ice nuclei.



Aerosol-clouds interactions and aerosol radiative forcing

- Optical, physical properties and chemical composition of biomass burning aerosols
- Properties of natural biogenic aerosols
- Cloud Condensation Nuclei (CCN) properties
- Long term measurements of ground, vertical distribution and column integrated optical properties
- Clouds physical properties and distribution coupled with cloud droplets microphysical properties.



Relative roles of biogenic emissions and Saharan dust as ice nuclei in the Amazon basin

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Ice nuclei from biogenic emissions and Sahara dust in Central Amazonia

Dust relation to ice-nucleus measurements. Dust concentrations during AMAZE-08. a, GEOS-Chem simulated dust from 2–6 March at 18 UTC. The field site, shown as a black diamond, typically fell near the edge of the plumes. Fine-dust concentrations from PIXE measurements (black rectangles; µg/m³, dp<2µm.



Relationships between cloud properties and aerosol loading in Amazonia



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Kulmala et al., 2004

Strong aerosol effect on forest photosynthesis diffuse radiation have a large effect on CO2 fluxes

Amazonia Rondonia Forest site 2000-2001



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