AMIE: Observations of the Madden-Julian Oscillation for Cloud Modeling Studies



<u>ACRF MJO Investigation Experiment</u>

# ARM Climate Research Facility Madden-Julian Oscillation Atmospheric Radiation Measurement Program

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# **ARM TWP Sites**



## **Manus MJO Signal**



## **AMIE and CINDY Sites**



# **ARM Modeling Paradigm**

- Single Column and Cloud Resolving models need context
- ARM has developed Variational Analysis data product for this
- Typically required surrounding the domain with sonde launches
- Not practical/possible for ARM TWP equatorial sites
- TWP-ICE showed the powerful constraint afforded by C-POL precipitation information

# **Original Proposal**

- Oct. 2010 March 2011
- Field the SMART-R C-POL radar on Manus
- Increase sonde launches
- Used in conjunction with ECMWF reanalysis
- Produce Variational Analysis product
- SMART-R deployment major cost of the proposal

# "Stimulating" news!

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American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) C-POL on Manus!

Scanning dualchannel cloud radar

Surface LH/SH flux system

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## **New Scientific Synergy**

- Pushed back AMIE one year
- Now Oct/Nov 2011 March 2012
- Moved to coincide with CINDY2011/DYNAMO
- Will allow study of initiation and propagation/evolution of the MJO



- Surface latent/sensible heat flux Manus
  - Models show decrease in MJO as it propagates through maritime continent
  - One hypothesis is the difference in land/ocean surface/atmosphere energy exchange
  - Manus forest tower to represent land?
  - TAO array (buoys) for ocean



## **AMIE Design**

- Launch 8 sondes/day for duration
  - Better capture the vertical evolution
  - Add profiling microwave radiometer to interpolate sonde profiles through time
- Deploy small system at Navy Base
  - study small scale variability
- Take advantage of C-POL, scanning cloud radar, flux measurements, etc.

#### **Questions?**