

DC-8 Science During the INTEX-B/MILAGRO Campaign

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GOAL: To understand the transport, transformation, & impacts of gases & aerosols on air quality & climate from local to global scales

- ➤ INTEX-B/MILAGRO: Spring 2006
 - ➤ Mexico City pollution (3/1-21)
 - Asian inflow to NA (4/17-5/15)

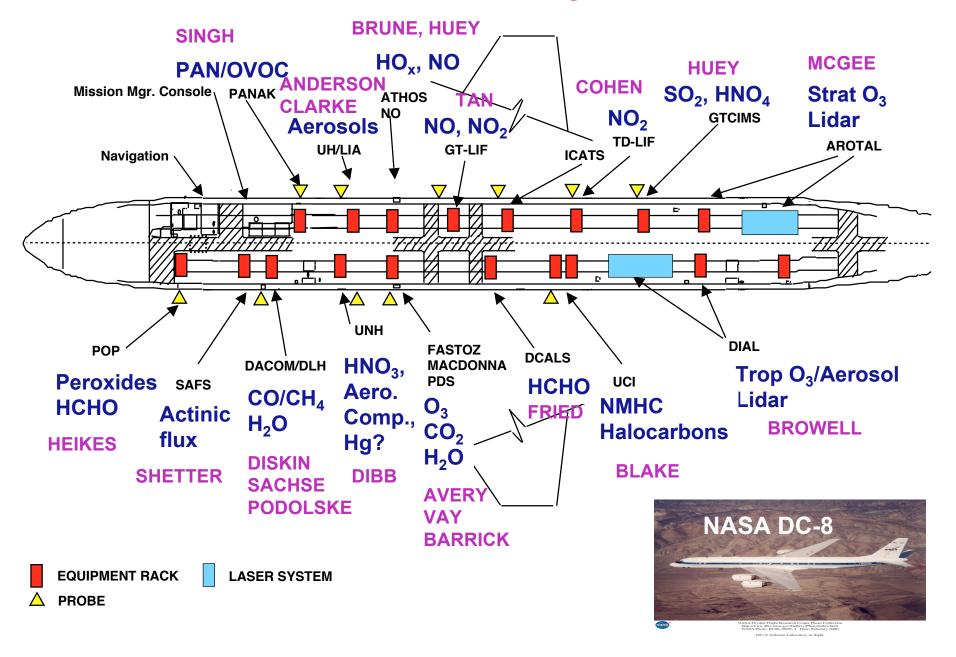
Partners: U.S. (NASA, NSF, DOE), MEX, CAN, GER



INTEX-B OBJECTIVES

- **▶** Continental Outflow: Extent & persistence of the outflow of pollution from Mexico
- ➤ Transpacific Pollution: Transport and evolution of Asian pollution & implications for air quality & climate
- ➤ Air Quality: Mapping of anthropogenic & biogenic emissions; relating atmospheric composition to sources & sinks
- ➤ Aerosol Radiative Forcing: Characterizing effects of aerosols on solar radiation over NA & Gulf of Mexico
- ➤ Satellite Validation: Validing space-borne observations of tropospheric composition

DC-8 INTEX-B Payload



INTEX-B DC-8 Flight Tracks



DC-8: 145 Flt hrs; 17 science flights

Houston: 6

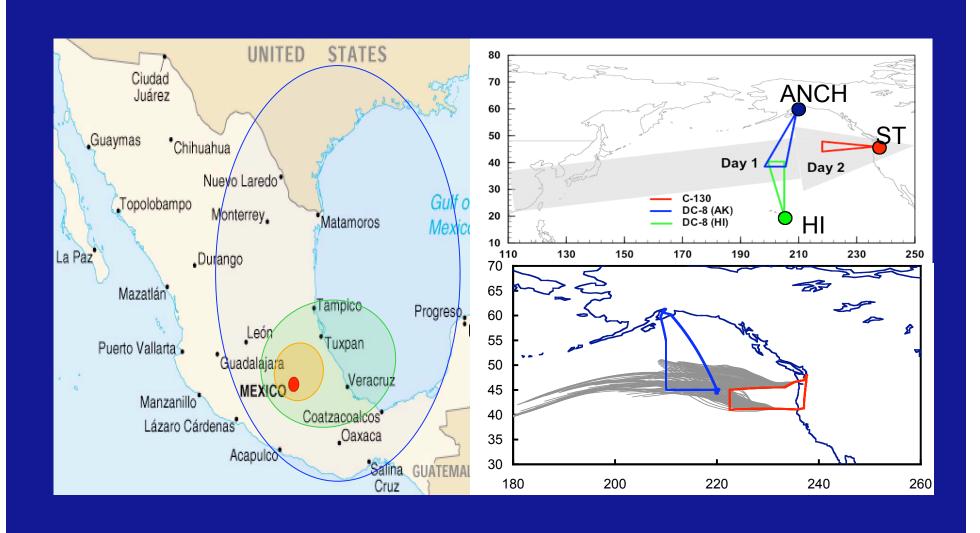
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Alaska: 4

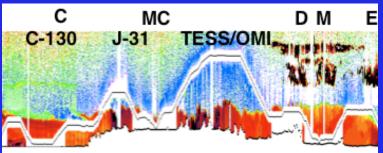
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- **DC-8**
- C-130
- C-130+J-31+B-200+G-1

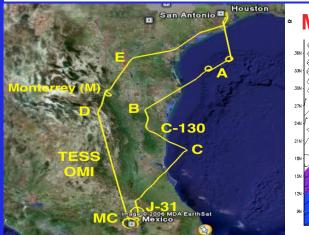
DC-8 & C-130 Coordination in INTEX-B

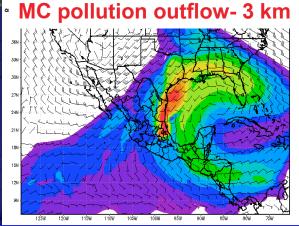


INTEX-B Model Forecasts & Flight Planning



Flight 8 (3/19)





DC-8 objectives:

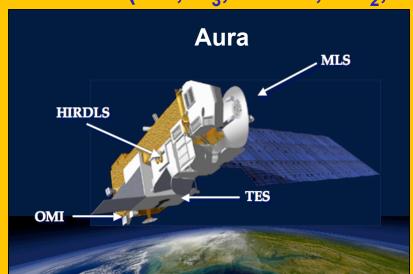
- Inter-comparison with the C-130
- J-31 coordinated spiral over MC
- validation of TES & OMI
- Characterization of MC & Monterrey pollution
- Sampling of aged MC pollution outflow

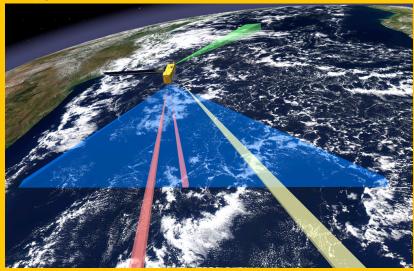
MET data
Trajectories
Convective influences
Fires

AIRS- CO MOPITT- CO MODIS- Aerosol SCIA- NO2 GOES- clouds

GEOS-Chem (Harvard MOZART (NCAR) RAQMS (Langley) STEM (U. Iowa) PNL (Milagro)

INTEX-B Targeted Aura Satellite Validation Activities (CO, O₃, HCHO, NO₂, HNO₃, H₂O, HCN, Aerosol)





Aura/ others	DC-8															C-130					
	3/4	3/9	3/12	3/16	3/19	3/21	4/17	4/23	4/25	4/26	4/30	5/4	5/7	5/9	5/12	4/24	4/28	5/1	5/3	5/8	5/11
TES*	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•						
OMI	•	•	•	•	•		•	•				•				•	•		•	•	•
HIRDLS#						•					•										
MLS									•				•								
Others**	•	•		•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•		•			•		•	•

^{*} TES validation for Nadir & Limb measurements over land and water

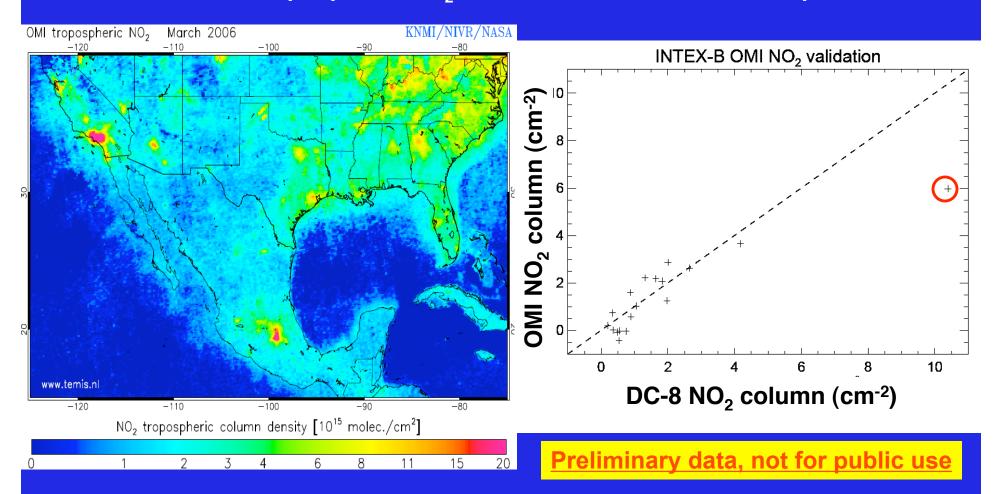
^{*} Night flights required for HIRDLS validation

^{**} Mainly AIRS, SCIAMACHY, and MODIS

Validation of OMI tropospheric NO₂ during MILAGRO / INTEX-B

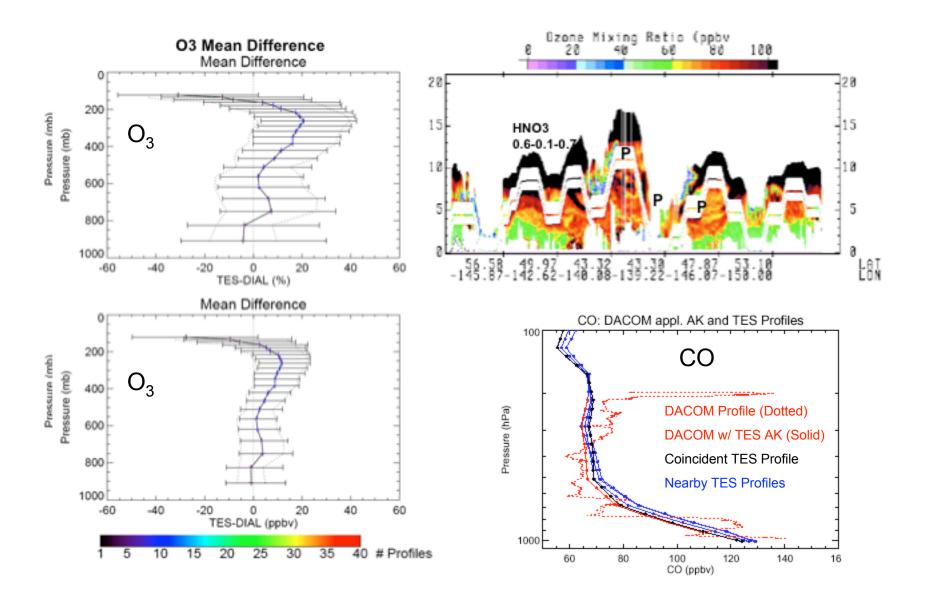
March 2006 OMI tropospheric NO₂

Validation w/aircraft profiles



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O₃, CO, & HNO₃ Comparisons Between TES & DC-8



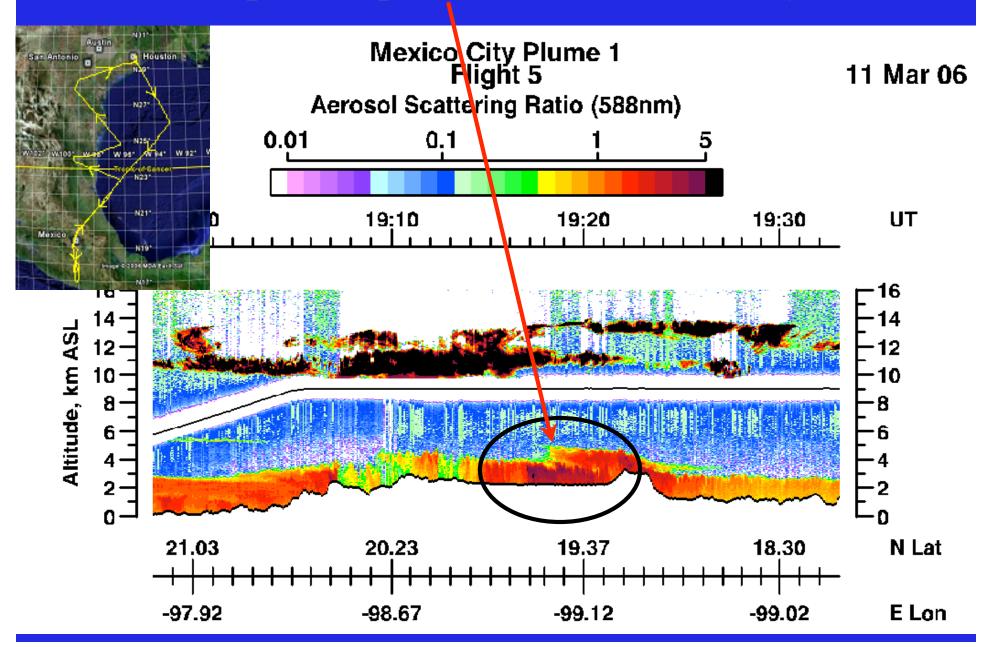
Example of DC-8 observations: 11 March

The objectives:

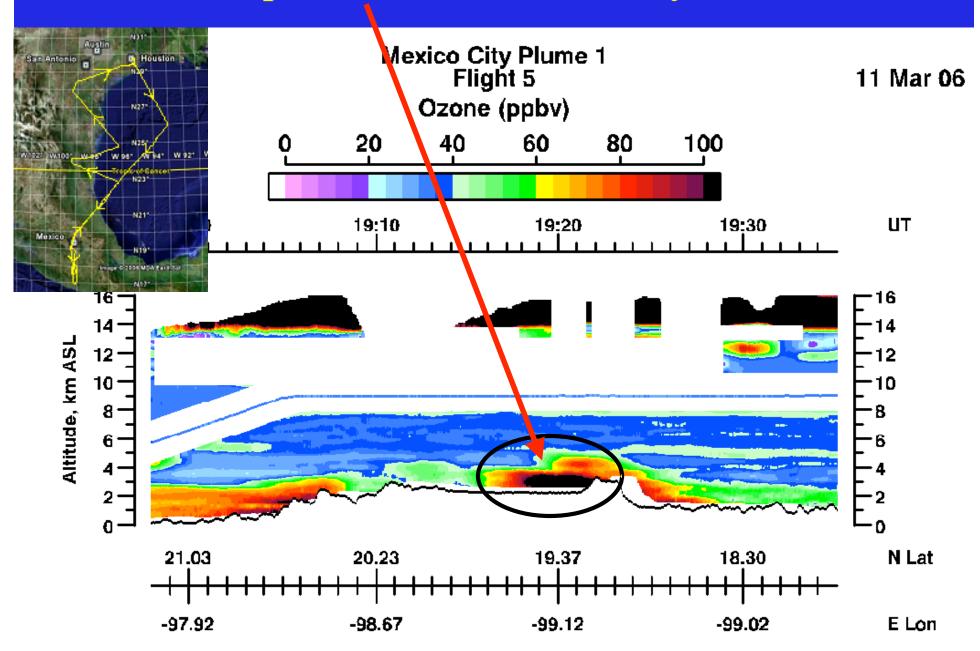
- Sample aged MC plume previously sampled by the C-130 near MC on 10 March
- Sample the MC boundary layer both remotely (DIAL)
 & in situ to set up C-130 for 12 March
- compare with T0, T1, T2 by low overpass



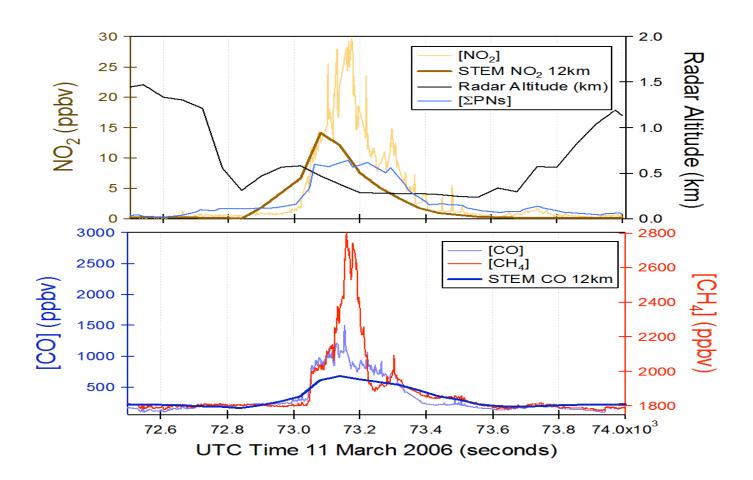
Small particle pollution over Mexico City



Ozone pollution over Mexico City

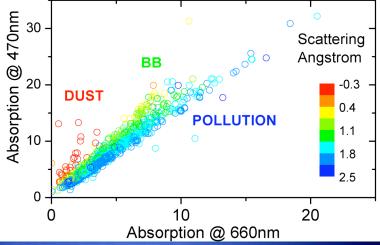


Mexico City Close Approach [11 March 2006]



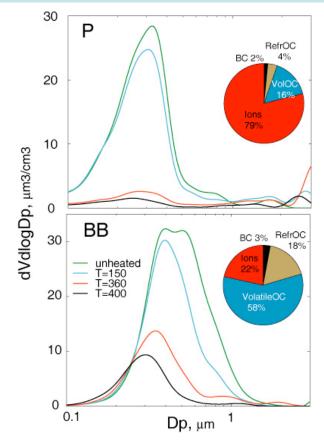
Source indicators: $\Delta CH_4/\Delta CO$; $\Delta N_2O/\Delta CO$

New DC-8 measurements of spectral light absorption (470nm and 660nm) and light scattering help resolve POLLUTION (P) and BIOMASS BURNING (BB) and DUST aerosol types during INTEX/MIRAGE phase of experiment in and around Mexico City. Possible application to remote sensing.





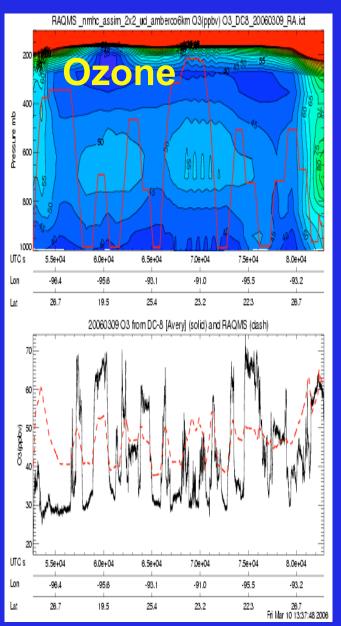
Thermal volatility of size-resolved aerosol at 40, 150, 360 and 400C can combine with ions (J.Dibb) and absorption (BC) to get volatile and refractory organic components (pie charts) for Pollution and Biomass Burning

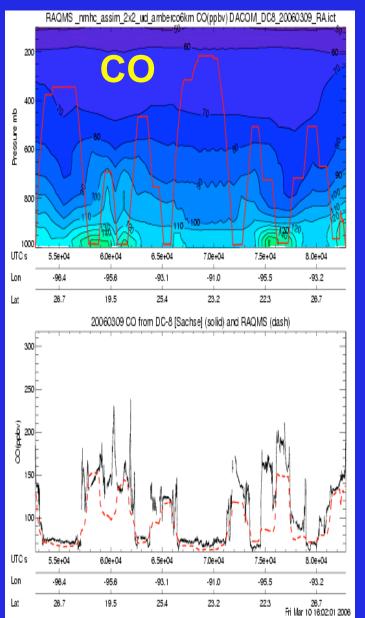




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How well did models do? RAQMS vs DC8 (3/9/06)





Preliminary Concluding Observations

- ➤ INTEX-B/Milagro has completed all of the planned tasks to achieve its objectives of:
 - ➤ Providing a comprehensive and unified data set to determine the composition of MC & Asian pollution plumes, their persistence, & transformation
 - ➤ Validating satellite observations of tropospheric composition
 - ➤ Relating atmospheric composition to anthropogenic & biogenic emissions
 - > Testing chemical transport models & their forecasts
- Final data due by March 1, 2007 (preliminary data are submitted)
- First INTEX-B workshop March 5-9, 2007