

In-situ Observations of Ice Crystal Habits, Their Crystal Complexity and Light Scattering Properties During ACRIDICON-CHUVA

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Ice crystal complexity







Complex particles – similar light scattering



- Scattering phase function of ice particles depend on their shape and complexity (aggregation, polycrystals, surface roughness, hollowness, etc.)
- Polycrystal and roughened ice particles show a featurless scattering function

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Lab and modeling studies show that roughness reduces the asymmetry parameter 2 times higher back reflection

PHIPS / SID-3 Package on-board HALO





HALO (High Altitude and Long Range Research Aircraft)



PHIPS/SID-3 Instrument Package



PHIPS-HALO

- Polar light scattering function (1° to 170°) of single ice particles
- Simultaneous stereoscopic (3D) imaging of the same particle
- Large-scale complexity (50 µm – 1 mm)



SID-3

- Spatial light scattering (diffraction) pattern in forward direction (6° to 25°)
- Shape information especially for small particles (5 50 µm)
- Small-scale complexity









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Large-Scale Complexity

Small-scale Ice Crystal Complexity



Crystal complexity leads to spatially randomized light scattering. The shape distinct diffraction features will disappear.

Roughened or distorted column





Pristine column





Quantification of Small-scale Complexity through k_e Karlsruhe Institute Complex Pristine 4 0.3 0.4 σ: 0.1 0 0.05 *k*_e: 4.05 4.11 4.09 4.63 4.83 Schnaiter et al., ACPD, 2015 $\sigma \sim k_e$

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Ice Crystal Habits

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Outflow cirrus

25.09.2014 17:27:00.000 17:56:11.484 #0917 100 µm

17:55:33.375 #0772





Outflow cirrus

25.09.2014 17:27:00.000 17:56:11.484 #0917

18:00:54.453 #1130

100 µm



18:02:51.328 #1591



18:09:27.093 #1699



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18:09:25.578 #1695

18:15:12.6 #2098

18:15:17.39 #2116

Connolly et al. (2015)





Lawson et al. (2006)





Ice particles imaged with PHIPS-HALO instrument were classified to plates, columns, bullet rosettes, small ice particles and (plate) aggregates





Large-scale complexity

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Flight Overview

Outflow flights



Outflow anvils were probed at different altitudes and some anvils with different distances to the core

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Outflow Southwest of Manaus







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Outflow well mixed up to the upper edge

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Dimensions of the Complex Particles



CRYSTAL-FACE Outflow AC20 1.0 ᠾᡄᠴᡀ C Aggregates Single habits 0.9 0.9 0.8 0.8 0.8 Aggregates Single habit fraction Complexity (C) 0.6 **Single habits** 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.1 0.0 山 0 10³ 0 100 1000 10^{2} 10 Maximum dimension $[\mu m]$ Particle maximum dimension (µm)

AC20

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The Liquid Origin of Outflow Ice Particles



- Plates formed at temperatures above -40°C
- Riming observed





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Outflow North of Manaus

220 K





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10 **PHIPS Images of Frozen Droplets** 20 µm

Outflow North of Manaus

Z. Ulanowski, ICCP, 2004

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SID3 Diffraction Patterns









Take-Home Message



- Verified a method to study large-scale complexity from PHIPS-HALO images
- Outflows well mixed
- High degree of crystal complexity is observed in all sizes, shapes and formation pathways
 - This leads to uniform angular light scattering behaviour