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Program

Conference Agenda

12:00 PM–1:00 PM

1:00 PM–5:30 PM

Monday, September 10, 2007

Registration

Pre-Conference Workshop at SDL: Uncertainty Analysis and Budgeting for Ground-Based Radiometric Calibration

- **Creating and Maintaining a Radiometric Measurement Accuracy Error Budget**
Tom Murdock and Christopher Cooper—Frontier Technology, Incorporated
- **System-Level Radiometric Uncertainty Case Study**
Joel Cardon—USU/Space Dynamics Laboratory
- **Calibration Testing Uncertainty Analysis: Linking the Absolute Cryogenic Radiometer at NIST to Test Facilities Used to Calibrate Remote Sensors**
Adriaan Carter—National Institute of Standards and Technology

7:30 AM–8:15 AM

8:15 AM–8:30 AM

Tuesday, September 11, 2007

Registration/Continental Breakfast

Conference Welcome/Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Michael Pavich—Director, USU/Space Dynamics Laboratory

8:30 AM–9:15 AM

Keynote Address: Dr. Alfred Powell, Jr.—NOAA/NESDIS

9:15 AM–10:05 AM

Technical Session: Calibration of Operational Environmental Satellite Sensors

- **On-Orbit Radiometric Performance of the CERES Radiometers Aboard the Aqua and Terra Spacecraft**
Kory Priestley—NASA Langley Research Center
- **Five-Years On-Orbit Performance of Aqua MODIS Thermal Emissive Bands**
Brian Wenny—Science Systems and Applications Inc.

10:05 AM–10:35 AM

Refreshment Break

10:35 AM–11:55 AM

Technical Session: Calibration of Operational Environmental Satellite Sensors (cont.)

- **Vicarious Calibration of Aqua and Terra MODIS**
Jeffrey Czaplá-Myers—Optical Sciences/University of Arizona
- **The Calibration of AVHRR Visible Dual Gain using Geostationary Satellites as a MODIS Calibration Transfer Medium**
David Doelling—Science Systems and Applications Inc.
- **A Technique to Reduce Uncertainties of SNO-estimated Intersatellite Calibration Biases at Microwave Radiometer Surface Channels and its Application to MetOP AMSU-A**
Robert Iacovazzi, Jr.—Earth Resources Technology, Inc.
- **Calibration of Archived GEO Vis-channel Images Using the Moon**
Tom Stone—US Geological Survey

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12:55 PM–2:45 PM

2:45 PM–3:30 PM

3:30 PM–5:10 PM

5:30 PM–6:30 PM

Free Evening

Lunch Provided

Technical Session: Instrument System and Subsystem Level Pre-launch to On-orbit Calibration and Characterization Approaches

- **New Calibration Technique using a Programmable Spectral Engine with a Supercontinuum Fiber Laser**
Joseph Rice—National Institute of Standards and Technology
- **System Level Pre-launch Calibration of Onboard Solar Diffusers**
Robert Barnes—Science Applications International Corporation
- **MODIS Pre-launch and On-orbit Calibration**
Jack Xiong—NASA Goddard Space Flight Center
- **The On-Orbit Calibration of SeaWiFS: Revised Temperature and Gain Corrections**
Gene Eplee—Science Applications International Corporation
- **Ground Calibration of the Geosynchronous Imaging Fourier Transform Spectrometer (GIFTS) for Hyperspectral Atmospheric Remote Sensing**
Deron Scott—USU/Space Dynamics Laboratory

Poster Viewing/Refreshment Break

Technical Session: Instrument System and Subsystem Level Pre-launch to On-orbit Calibration and Characterization Approaches (cont.)

- **Preliminary Radiance Validation from Ground-based Sky-viewing Comparisons of the Geosynchronous Imaging Fourier Transform Spectrometer (GIFTS) and the Atmospheric Emitted Radiance Interferometer (AERI)**
Robert Knuteson—University of Wisconsin, Space Science and Engineering Center
- **High Accuracy, Spectrally Resolved IR Radiances for the CLARREO Climate Mission**
Hank Revercomb—University of Wisconsin, Space Science and Engineering Center
- **On-orbit Absolute Temperature Calibration for CLARREO**
Fred Best—University of Wisconsin, Space Science and Engineering Center
- **SOFIE Supplemental Ground Calibration Overview**
Scott Hansen—USU/Space Dynamics Laboratory
- **Characterization of WISE**
Harri Latvakoski—USU/Space Dynamics Laboratory

Space Dynamics Laboratory Tour

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Wednesday, September 12, 2007

Continental Breakfast

Technical Session: Validation of Remote Sensing Systems

- **Validation of Ultraviolet and Visible Remote-Sensor Radiometry using Antarctic Snow**
Glen Jaross—Science Systems and Applications, Inc.
- **Evaluation of Automatic Weather Station Surface Air Temperatures at Dome Concordia in Antarctica for Calibration Validation of Polar-Orbiting Satellite Radiometers**
Denis Elliott—Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- **The Physical Foundations Underpinning On-Orbit SI Traceability in the Thermal Infrared for CLARREO**
John Dykema—Harvard University
- **Validating Remote Sensing Observations using GPS Radio Occultation**
Anthony Mannucci—JPL/Caltech
- **Radiometric and Spectral Validation of Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer (IASI) Observations**
David Tobin—University of Wisconsin, Space Science and Engineering Center

Poster Viewing/Refreshment Break

Technical Session: Solar, Lunar, and Stellar Radiometric Measurements

- **Application of Ground Observations of Stellar Sources to On-Orbit Sensor Calibration**
Ray Russell—The Aerospace Corporation
- **NIST Stars: Absolute Stellar Radiometry Tied to NIST Standards**
Gerald Fraser—National Institute of Standards and Technology
- **Optical Power Comparison Between Ground-Based SORCE/TIM and NIST Detector**
David Harber—LASP/University of Colorado
- **Absolute Ultraviolet Irradiance of the Moon from SORCE SOLSTICE**
Martin Snow—LASP/University of Colorado
- **On-orbit Solar Calibrations using the Clouds and Earth's Radiant Energy System (CERES) In-flight Mirror Attenuator Mosaic (MAM) Calibration System**
Robert Wilson—Science Systems and Applications Inc.
- **Lunar Side Slither: A Novel Approach for IKONOS Relative Calibration**
Martin Taylor—GeoEye

Lunch Provided

Technical Session: Calibration of Microwave Sensors

- **Brightness-Temperature Standards at Microwave to Terahertz Frequencies**
David Walker—National Institute of Standards and Technology
- **Radiometric Validation of the Microwave Temperature and Moisture Sounders (AMSU and MHS) on the MetOp, Aqua, and NOAA Satellites Using the NPOESS Aircraft Sounder Testbed-Microwave (NAST-M) Sensor**
Laura Jairam—Lincoln Laboratory/MIT

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- **Addressing Calibration Issues of Conically Scanning Microwave Radiometers**
Shannon Brown—Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- **SSMIS Field of View Analysis using GRASP**
David Thompson—The Aerospace Corporation
- **Traceability of CLARREO GPS Radio Occultation Measurements to the International Definition of the Second**
Stephen Leroy—Harvard University

Refreshment Break

Technical Session: Specialized Calibration Equipment

- **The TSI Radiometer Facility (TRF) for Absolute Calibrations of Total Solar Irradiance Instruments**
Karl Heuerman—LASP/University of Colorado
- **Infrared Calibration Development at Fluke Corporation Hart Scientific**
Frank Liebmann—Fluke Corporation Hart Scientific Division
- **Hyperspectral Image Projector using a Supercontinuum Fiber Laser**
Joseph Rice—National Institute of Standards and Technology
- **Spectral Irradiance Responsivity Calibration of InSb Radiometers with the Improved IR-SIRCUS at NIST**
Jinan Zeng—National Institute of Standards and Technology

6:00 PM–8:30 PM

Barbeque at Guinavah Campground

Thursday, September 13, 2007

No Exhibits Available

7:30 AM–8:00 AM

Continental Breakfast

8:00 AM–9:50 AM

Technical Session: Calibration Concepts and Applications

- **Star-Based Monitoring of GOES Imager Visible-Channel Responsivities**
I-Lok Chang—American University, QSS Group, Inc.
- **Estimation Theory Applied to the Uncertainty Analysis of a Novel Method for Determining Sensor Non-Linearity**
Eric Kintner
- **Benchmark Climate Observations from CLARREO: Spectrally Resolved Radiance, the Climate Record, and the Development of Quantitative Constraints on Climate Model Forecasting**
Jim Anderson—Harvard University
- **Field Calibration of SW and MW IR Sensors**
George Rossano—The Aerospace Corporation
- **Performance of a Hand Held Reflectometer for In Situ Emissivity Measurements**
Michael Beecroft—Surface Optics Corporation

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Refreshment Break

Technical Session: Critical Calibrations and Novel Characterizations of Components, Subsystems, and Systems

- **GIFTS Line Shape and Off-Axis Wavenumber Shift Calibration**
Mark Esplin—USU/Space Dynamics Laboratory
- **Four-Point Radiometric Calibration Technique for Mid-Wave FTS Imagers**
Philippe Lagueux—Telops
- **Optical Properties of Cryo-deposited Water-ice Films at Low Pressure**
Keith Olson—The Aerospace Corporation
- **Fixed Pattern Noise Correction**
David Pollock—The University of Alabama in Huntsville
- **NFIRE Track Sensor Payload Ground Calibration Overview**
Joseph Tansock—USU/Space Dynamics Laboratory
- **Radiation Thermometry of Objects with Temperature > 20 deg C using Short-wave Infrared Detectors**
Howard Yoon—National Institute of Standards and Technology

Lunch Provided

Technical Session: Traceability of Absolute Radiometry and Remote Sensing

- **Metrological Basis for SI-traceable Radiance Measurements on the CLARREO Climate Benchmark Satellite Platform**
Jonathan Gero—Harvard University
- **Spectrally Resolved Calibration of Flat Plate Blackbody Sources and Targets in the Thermal Infrared at NIST**
Sergey Mekhontsev—National Institute of Standards and Technology
- **NIST TXR Validation of Scanning HIS Radiances and a UW-SSEC Blackbody**
Joe Taylor—University of Wisconsin, Space Science and Engineering Center

Special US-Only Restricted Session

- **Recent Checkout Test and Radiometric Calibration Activities Associated with the AEDC 7V Chamber Sensor Test Facility**
Randy Nicholson—Aerospace Testing Alliance (ATA)
- **Northrop Grumman Advanced Sensor Test and Integration Facility**
Richard Williams—Northrop Grumman Corporation
- **MODIS and VIIRS Optics Comparison**
Eugene Waluschka—NASA
- **Identification of High-Scatter Pixels on VIIRS for Remote Sensing**
Stephen Mills—Northrop Grumman Space Technology
- **Laboratory Testing of Interference Filters to Assess Potential for Optical Cross-talk**
Peter Fuqua—The Aerospace Corporation

- **Complexity of Obtaining Representative Spectral Out-of-Band Contributions in the VIIRS Program**
Kris Clark—Lincoln Laboratory/MIT
- **Performance Impact of Spectral Band Registration on Radiometric Precision**
Carl Fischer—Lincoln Laboratory/MIT
- **Design of the VIIRS Solar Diffuser Earth Shine Rejection Screen**
James McCarthy—Northrop Grumman Corporation
- **Low Uncertainty Measurements of Bidirectional Reflectance Factor on the NPOESS/VIIRS Solar Diffuser**
Kristen Lessel—Las Cumbres Observatory Global Telescope Network
- **Expected On-orbit Calibration Performance of CrIS**
Hank Revercomb—University of Wisconsin, Space Science and Engineering Center
- **Pre-Flight ILS Testing of the CrIS Interferometer on NPOESS**
Howard Motteler—University of Maryland Baltimore County
- **ATMS Calibration**
Bjorn Lambrigtsen—Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- **On-Orbit Field-of-View Calibration of the Advanced Technology Microwave Sounder**
William Blackwell—Lincoln Laboratory/MIT

Exhibit Descriptions

Exhibit Hours

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Thursday, September 13

Exhibits Closed

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