

ALINE/LALINET network status

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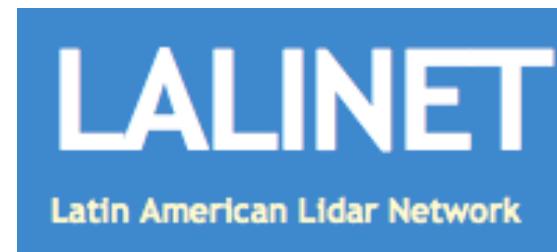
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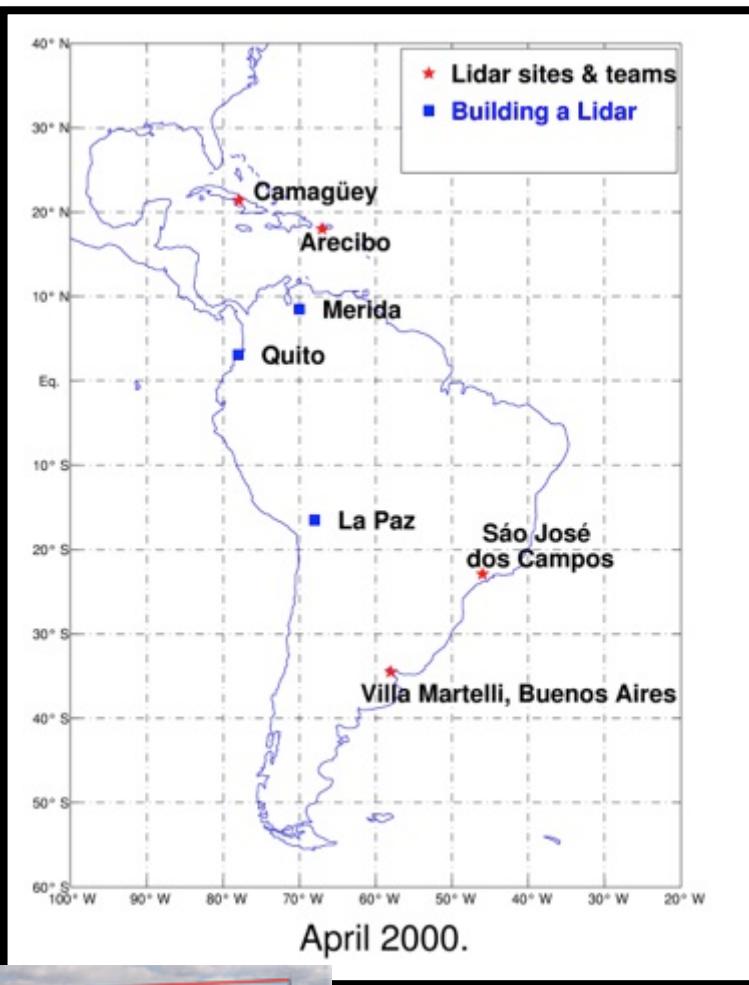
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NETWORK ORGANIZATION



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WLMLA (edition)	Local	Attendees				Contributions	
		Latin America	ROW	Total	ST	Poster	Oral
2001	Camagüey, Cuba	9	14	23	5	5	14
2003	Camagüey, Cuba	13	12	25	13	2	25
2005	Popayán, Colombia	25	6	52	26	6	25
2007	Ilha Bela Brazil	30	12	42	20	16	29
2009	Buenos Aires, Argentina	42	23	65	21	31	31
2011	La Paz, Bolivia	52	12	64	32	15	21
2013	Pucón, Chile	35	11	46	19	24	20
2015	Coco Tryp Cuba	29	12	41	15	26	19
2016(7)	Colombia, Medellin						

NETWORK ORGANIZATION

Lidar system	City/Country	Coordinates
ba-BA-AR	Bariloche / Argentina	41.15°S 71.16°W
not applicable	Camagüey / Cuba	21.4°N 77.8°W
co-CEFOP-UDEC	Concepción/Chile	36.84°S 73.02°W
cr-CR-AR	Comodoro Rivadavia/ Argentina	43.24°S 65.33°W
ma-MA	Manaus / Brazil	2.89°S 59.97°W
me-LOA-UNAL	Medellin/ Colombia	6.26°N 75.58°W
ne-NE-AR	Neuquén/ Argentina	38.59°S 68.15°W
pa-LIPAZ	La Paz / Bolivia	16.54°S 68.07°W
sp-CLA-IPEN-MSP-LIDAR-I	São Paulo / Brazil	23.56°S 46.74°W
sp-CLA-IPEN-II	São Paulo / Brazil	Variable

Main LALINET or ALINE

The Latin America Lidar Network (LALINET a.k.a ALINE) is a Latin American coordinated lidar network, established in 2001, measuring aerosol backscatter coefficient and aerosol extinction profiles for climatological studies of the aerosol distribution over Latin America, as well as other atmospheric species such as ozone and water vapor. This federative lidar network aims to establish a consistent and statistically sound database for enhancement of the understanding of the aerosol distribution over the continent and its direct and indirect influence on climate.

LALINET is a contributing network to the GAW Programme.



LALINET

Latin American Lidar Network

Aline
Commitment

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LETTER OF AGREEMENT

between

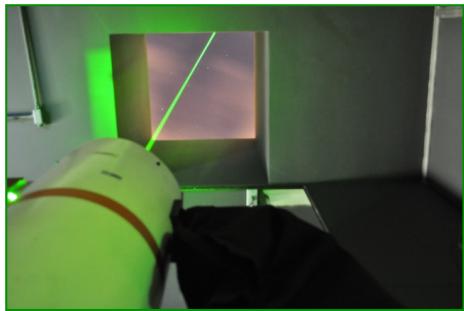
Latin America Lidar Network
hereinafter referred to as "ALINE"

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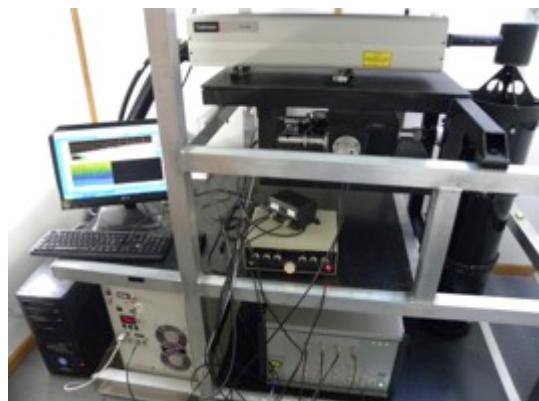
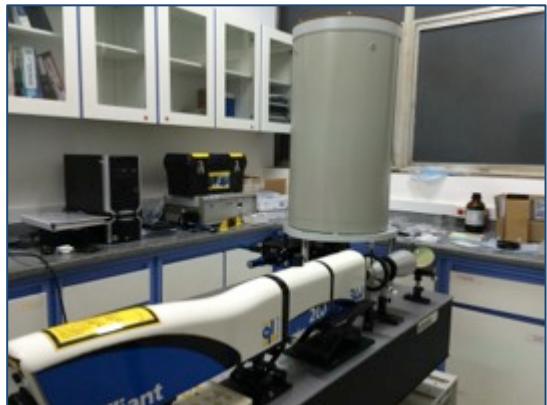
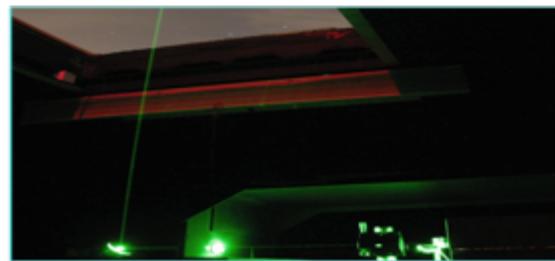
World Meteorological Organization
Global Atmosphere Watch Programme
hereinafter referred to as "WMO/GAW"
hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Parties"

related to

the recognition of ALINE as a contributing network for the World Meteorological Organization
Global Atmosphere Watch Programme



INSTRUMENTAL INVENTORY



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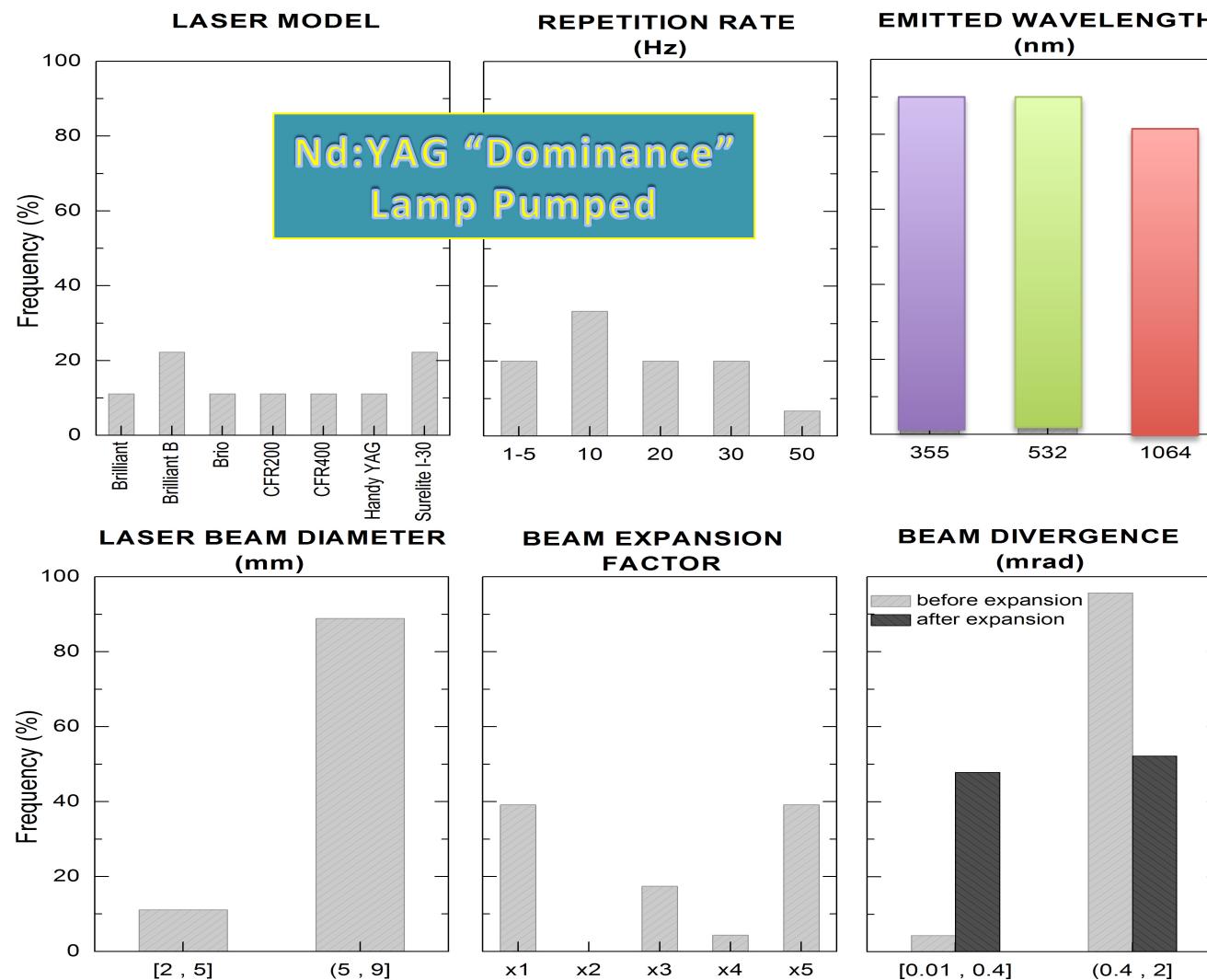
Information to be fulfilled for each instrument

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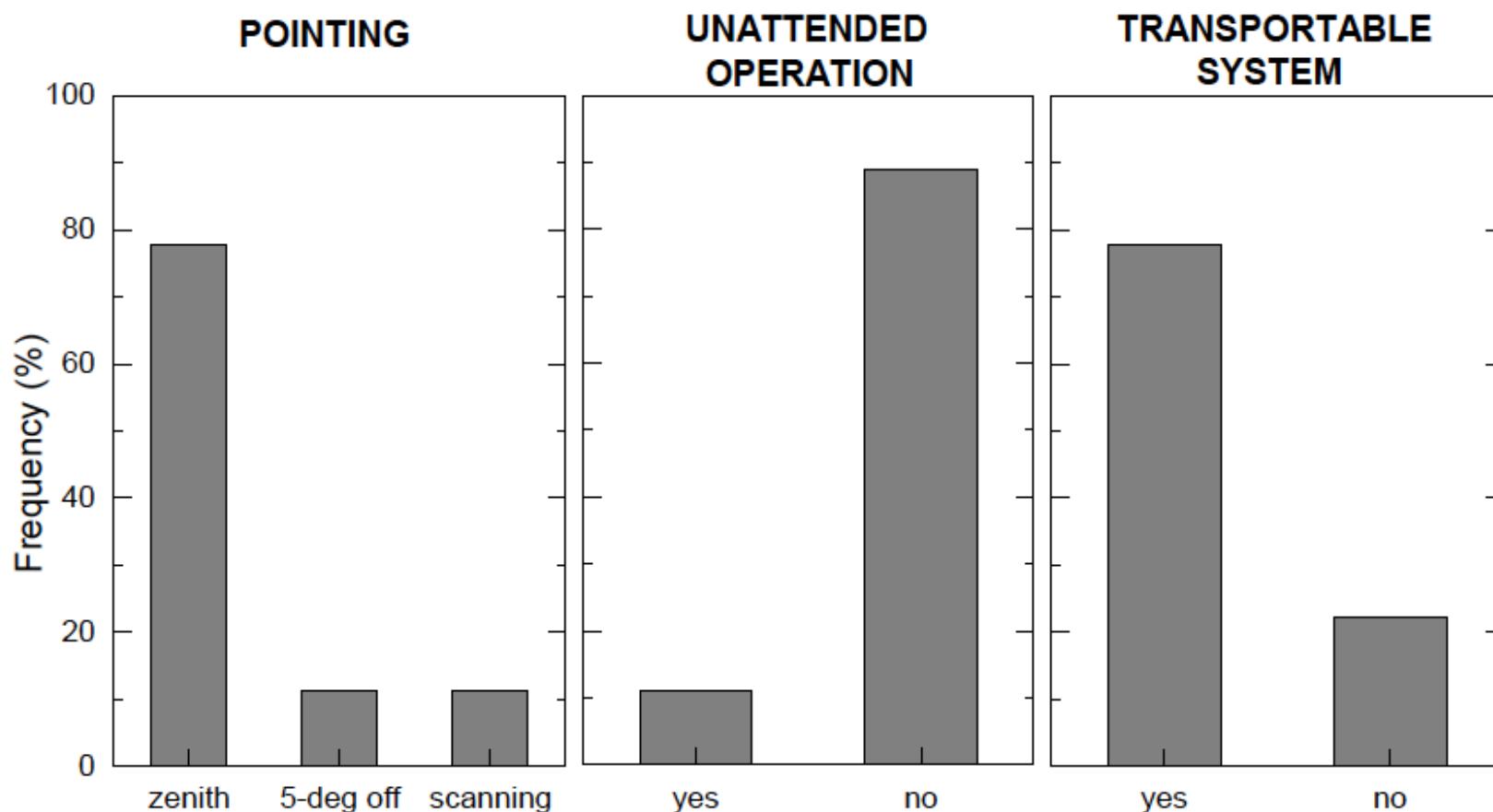
- station information
- mode of operation
- emitter
- receiver optics
- wavelength detection
- data acquisition
- auxiliary information

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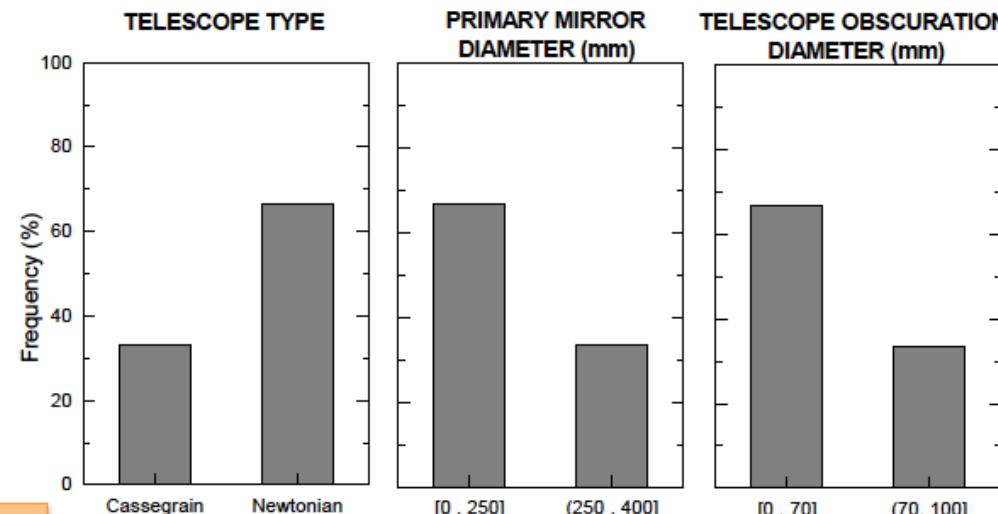
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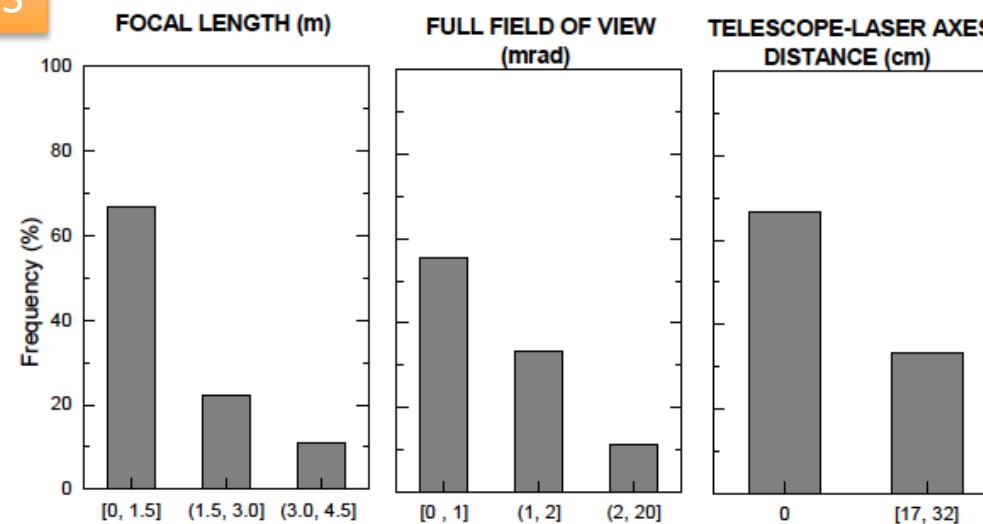
Needs improvement

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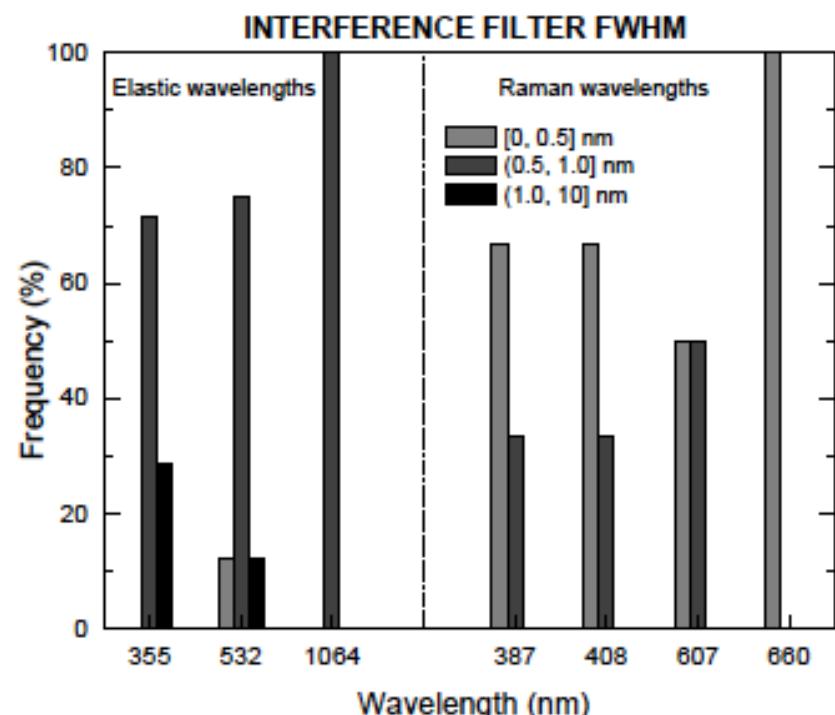
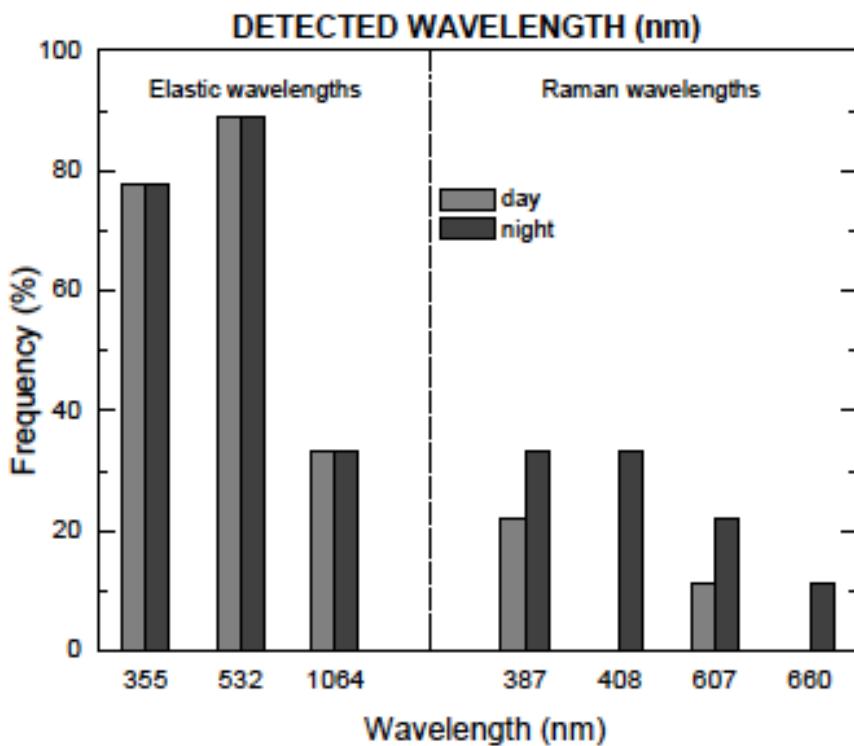
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COMPACT SYSTEMS



INSTRUMENTAL INVENTORY



POLARIZATION MUST BE INCLUDED

MEASUREMENT AND PROTOCOL IMPLEMENTATION



MEASUREMENT AND PROTOCOL IMPLEMENTATION

QC & QA

- **Zero-bin calibration:** Trigger in a lidar is used to fire pulses and also to activate the data acquisition.
- **Zero-bin test:** A target is placed at the output of the laser window in order to produce strong backscattered radiation. Thus, the first intense peak observed by the detector system should correspond to the zero position of our measurements.
- **Bin-shift calibration:** PC signals saturated in near-range → zero-bin calibration does not allow for unambiguously determining the zero-bin position for these channels.
- **Dark current:** Response exhibited by a receptor of radiation during periods when it is not actively illuminated.
- **Rayleigh Fit:** It is a tool to evaluate signal quality at long ranges and look for misalignments and or signal induced noise.

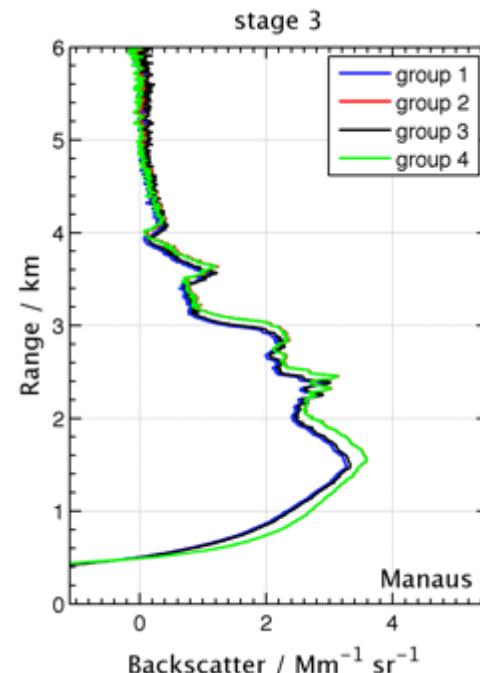
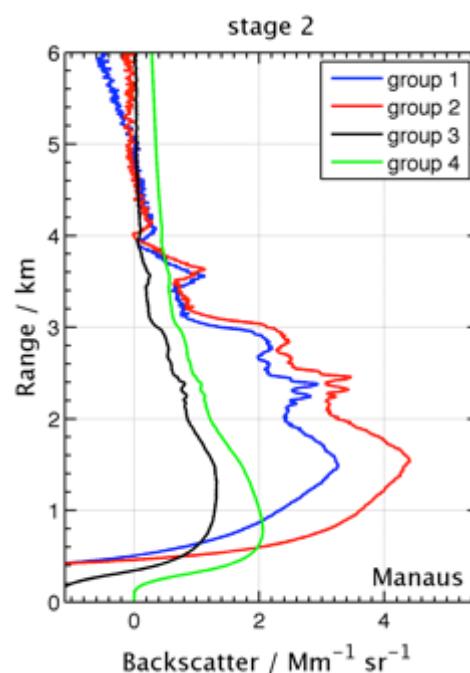
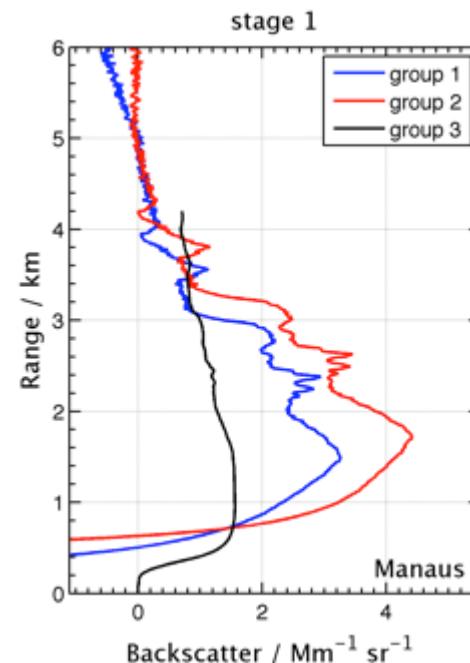
PILOT CAMPAIGN 2012

- OBJECTIVES
 - MEASUREMENT AND PROTOCOL IMPLEMENTATION
 - DATA ANALYSIS COMPARISON
 - OVERALL SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

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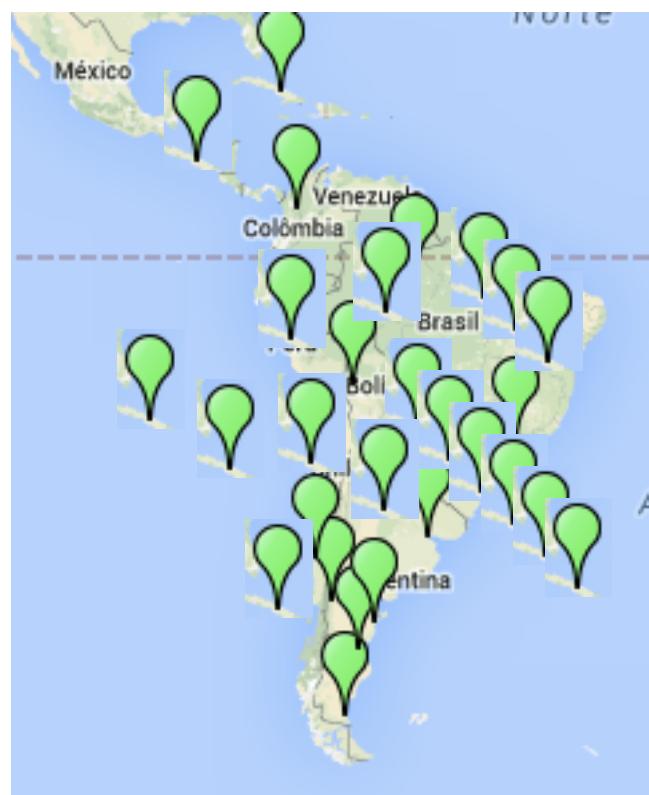
- 7 of 8 lidar stations depended on a local operator, thus only 4 of 8 were able to do measurements
 - Manaus, 355nm
 - São Paulo, 355 and 532nm
 - Buenos Aires, 355, 532 and 1064nm
 - Concepción, 532nm

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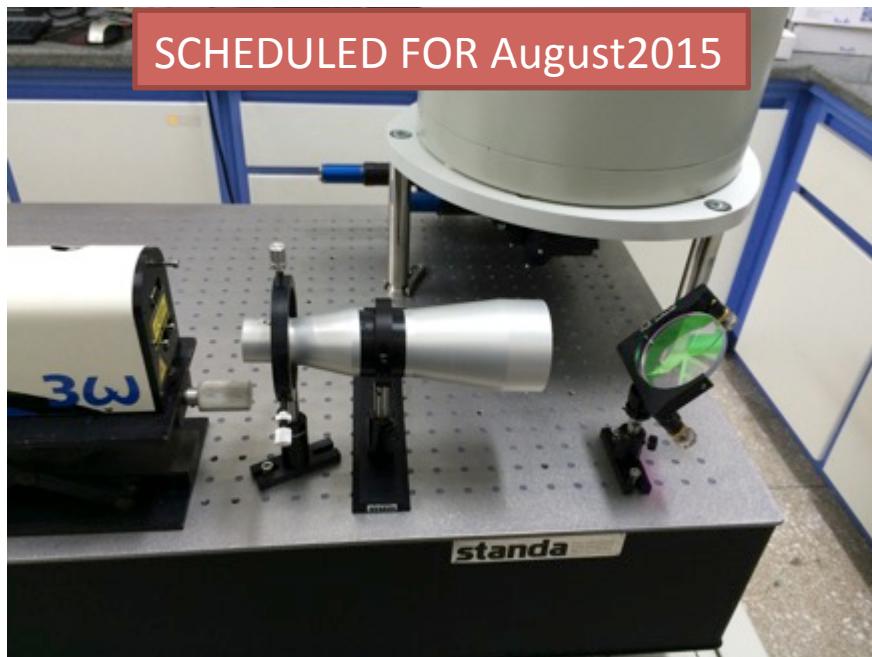


- Coordination of such simultaneous measurements was very difficult
 - We need more automated stations!
 - We need protocols and quality check
 - Coordination of analysis intercomparison even more difficult!!
 - We need to find time for this!
 - We need analysis protocols
- 2 WORKSHOPS ON DATA ANALYSIS

FUTURE STATIONS

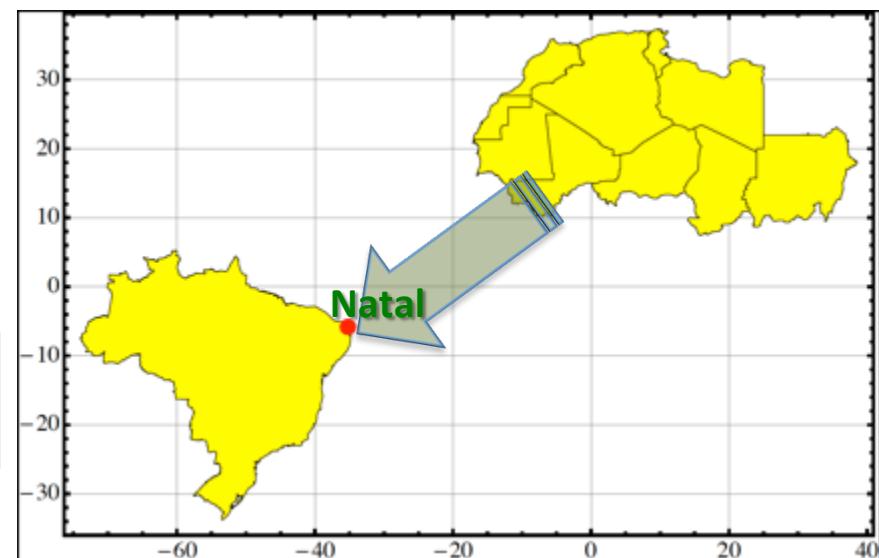


FUTURE STATIONS



1064 nm, 532 nm p+s, 355 nm, 300 mm,
Cassegranian, Igor Vesselovski's design

SAHARAN DUST + AFRICAN BB
INTRUSION INTO SOUTH
AMERICA



FUTURE STATIONS



CALBUCO EVENT

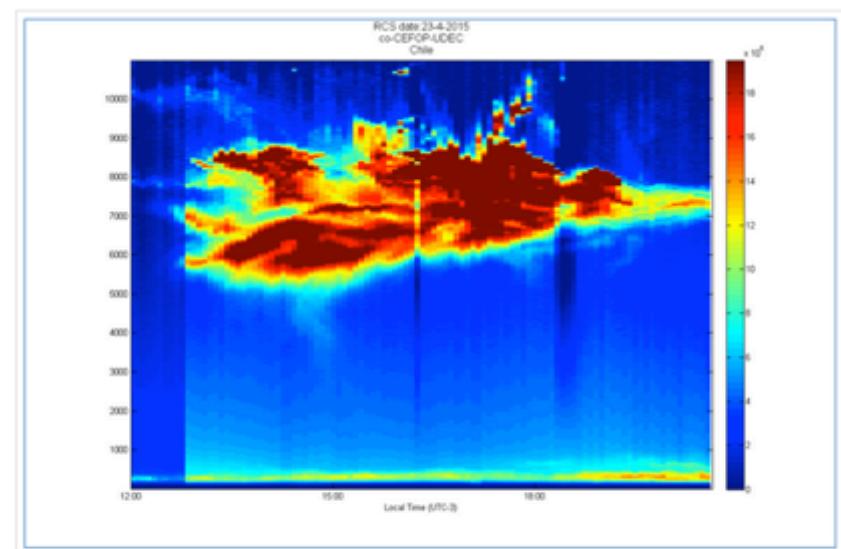
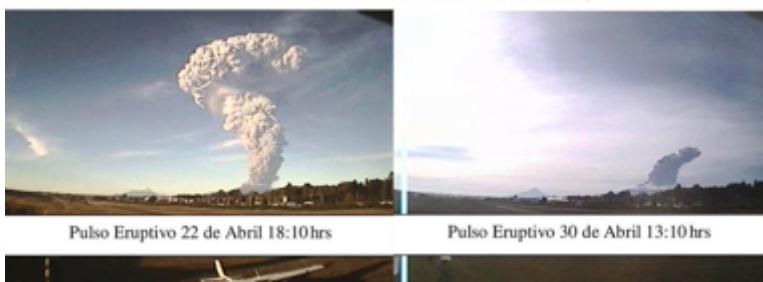
Explosión volcán Calbuco / Calbuco volcano explodes! / 该卡尔布科火山爆炸! / Извержение



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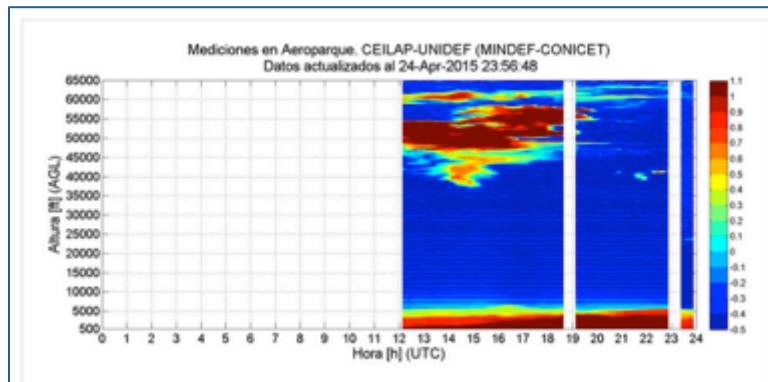
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COMPARACION COLUMNAS ERUPTIVAS

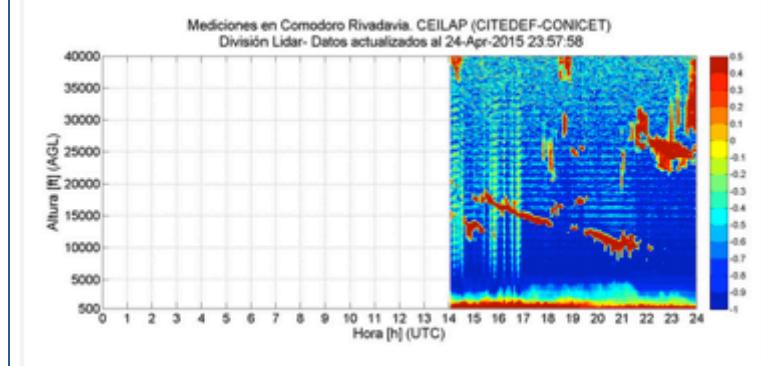
Concepcion Station lidar RCS quicklook - dust event observation on April 23rd 2015.



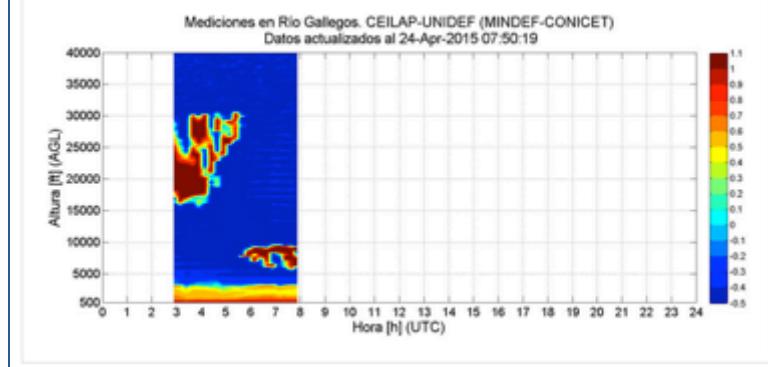
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Aeroparque RCS quicklook, April 24rd



Comodoro Rivadavia RCS quicklook, April 24rd



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 - HYSPLIT

FINAL REMARKS

- The ALINE/LALINET took several years to consolidate but in past the two has evolved considerably
- The lidar community has somehow increased in LA in the past years as well human resources have emerged
- Considerable technical advice and support has been given through EARLINET, NASA and ESA personally from Gelsomina Pappalardo, Albert Ansmann, Lucas Alados, Juan Guerrero (EARLINET), David Whiteman (NASA – GSFC), Igor Veselovskii (PIC), Errico Armandillo (ESA). RAYMETRICS & LICEL have been very supportive and customized systems when needed
- The improvement of the Quality Assurance should be strictly followed

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