

Lead Project Scientist

Storm or Project TD Tomas

Flight ID 101103H1

Experiment name Genesis HDR

Mission ID 1221A TOMAS

Preflight

- SY 1. Participate in general mission briefing.
- SY 2. Determine specific mission and flight requirements for assigned aircraft.
- SY 3. Determine from AOC flight director/meteorologist whether aircraft has operational fix responsibility and the mission designation.
- SY 4. Contact HRD members of crew to:
a. Assure availability for mission.
b. Review field program safety checklist
c. Arrange ground transportation schedule when deployed.
d. Determine equipment status.
- SY 5. Meet with AOC flight director and navigator at least 3 hours before take-off for initial briefing.
- SY 6. Meet with AOC flight crew at least 2 hours before take-off for crew briefing. Provide copies of flight requirements and provide a formal briefing for the flight director, navigator, and pilots.
- SY 7. Report status of aircraft, systems, necessary on-board supplies and crews to MGOC in Miami.
- SY 8. Before take-off, brief the on-board GPS dropsonde operator on times and positions of drop times.
- SY 9. Make sure each HRD flight crew member has a life vest.
- SY 10. Perform a headset operation check with all HRD flight crew members. Make sure everyone can hear and speak using the headset.

In-Flight

- / 1. Confirm from AOC flight director that satellite data link is operative (information).
- / 2. Confirm camera mode of operation.
- / 3. Confirm data recording rate.
- / 4. Complete Lead Project Scientist Form.
- / 5. Check in with the flight director to make sure the mission is going as planned (i.e. turns are made when they are supposed to be made).

Post flight

1. Debrief scientific crew.
2. Gather completed forms for mission and turn in to data manager at HRD.
3. Obtain a copy of the 10-s flight listing from the AOC flight director. Turn in with completed forms.
4. Obtain a copy of the radar DAT tapes. Turn in with completed forms.
5. Obtain a copy of serial flight data on thumb drive. Turn in with completed forms.

[Note: all data removed from the aircraft by HRD personnel should be cleared with the AOC flight director.]

6. Report landing time, aircraft, crew, and mission status along with supplies (tapes, etc.) remaining aboard the aircraft to MGOC.
7. Determine next mission status, if any, and brief crews as necessary.
8. Notify MGOC as to where you can be contacted and arrange for any further coordination required.
9. Prepare written mission summary using **Mission Summary** form.

Lead Project Scientist Check List

Storm or Project TD Tomas Experiment name Genesis/TDR
 Flight ID 101103H1 Mission ID 1221A Tomas

A. Participants:

| HRD | | AOC | |
|----------------------------------|--|------------------------|--|
| Function | Participant | Function | Participant |
| Lead Project Scientist | <u>Robert Rogers / Shirley Murrill</u> | Flight Director | <u>Jon Sears</u> |
| Radar/Workstation | <u>Pawn Reasor</u> | Pilots | <u>Carl Newman</u> <u>Kathy Martin</u> <u>Justin Kirby</u> |
| Cloud Physics | _____ | Navigator | <u>Ryan Kidden</u> |
| Photographer/Observer /Guests | <u>Miltice Mitchell</u> | Systems Engineer | <u>Bobby Peek</u> |
| Dropwindsonde | <u>Brad Klotz</u> | Data Technician | <u>Terry Lynch</u> <u>Bill Olney</u> |
| AXBT/AXCP | _____ | Electronics Technician | _____ |
| | | Other | _____ |

B. Take-off and Landing Times and Locations:

Take-Off: 2029 UTC Location: MacDill
 Landing: 0436 UTC Location: St. Croix

Number of Eye Penetrations: _____

C. Past and Forecast Storm Locations:

| Date/Time | Latitude | Longitude | MSLP | Maximum Wind |
|-----------|----------|-----------|------|--------------|
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

D. Mission Briefing:

Fly "genesis" mission into possible re-forming Tomas.
 Fly single leg, 90 min legs with IP on N side. End up on W side, then return from W-E for 3rd pass before continuing to St. Croix. Fly at 6,000ft. Drop GPS sondes at end points and 1 at center point if wind center is found at FL.

Lead Project Scientist Event Log

Date 11/3/10 Flight ID 101103HE1 LPS Rogers/Morillo

| Time | Event | Position | Comments |
|------|---------|--|---|
| 2029 | takoff | MacDill | +10 MacDill |
| 2332 | obs | 100 nm N of IP | line of convection here, pretty good bumps |
| 2347 | obs | 37 nm N of IP | approaching IP, LF shows multiple multiple areas of 24-28 dBZ returns to S, few cores of 40+dBZ, but don't know if that's reading high |
| 2356 | drop 1 | at IP, begin radar leg 1 | in stratiform rain, no launch detect |
| 0002 | obs | 15.9 75 | FL 80°, 30 kt, broad area of strat. precip., embedded convective cores from LF |
| 0017 | obs | 15.4N 75W | broad circ at FL, possible MLC to our west at ~15.5W, lot of precip. to E |
| 0022 | obs | 14.64 75 | FL winds show circ center diameter of about 50 nm |
| 0035 | pattern | 13.82 75 | turn downwind, track 45, go downwind to set up on E side |
| 0037 | drop 2 | 13.85 74.89 | at end of N-S leg, no launch detect again |
| 0053 | obs | on downwind leg, 14.8 74.1, east of center | multiple isolated cores of deep convection here, ~40-45 dBZ on LF |
| 0055 | turn | 90 nm E of "center" | turn to track ~270 |

15.3

74.6

15.3N
75W
est. midlevel
center

Lead Project Scientist Event Log

Date _____ Flight ID _____ LPS _____

| Time | Event | Position | Comments |
|----------------|---------|---|--|
| 0107 | drop 3 | 90 nm E of center | FL 165° , 30 ft |
| 010950 | pattern | | turn to track 270 |
| 0116 | obs | \sim 40 nm E of center | strongest FL winds 10 ft at 10 kft; in widespread precip, generally strat. |
| 0121 | pattern | on in-bound leg, \sim 24 miles from presumed center | searching for center, tracking more toward 250-260 b6 |
| 0125 | " | " | think center is further S was tracking |
| 012 | | " | track is now 240, now tracking 270 |
| 0130 | center | $15^{\circ} 17' \text{ } 75^{\circ} 12'$ | marked center at FL, |
| 0135 | | | wg at FL < 1 kt |
| 0148 | pattern | 90 nm E of 75W | turn back to track 90, on final pass |
| 0152 | drop 4 | | FL 22° , 16 ft, good launch |
| 0210 | drop 5 | "center" drop $15^{\circ} 20' \text{ } 75^{\circ} 20'$ | FL \approx 2 kt, SF lowest we've seen, good launch, center from end center was $15^{\circ} 17'$ $75^{\circ} 20'$ |
| 15 17 75 18 | 0220 | obs | 15 $^{\circ}$ 20' 75 $^{\circ}$ 31' broad line of precip, may be convective, band oriented NE/SW, strong FL |
| 15 17 75 20 | 0231 | drop 6 | \downarrow SF winds (perhaps 45 kt at 5000 ft) $15^{\circ} 19' \text{ } 75^{\circ} 45'$, at end of pattern |
| 0436 | land | T15X | land in STX |

200850
15 17
75 20

Mission Summary

Storm name

YYMMDDA# Aircraft 4_2RF

1011 03H1

Scientific Crew (4RF)

Lead Project Scientist Bob Rogers

Radar Scientist Paul Reiser

Cloud Physics Scientist _____

Dropwindsonde Scientist Brad Klotz

Boundary-Layer Scientist _____

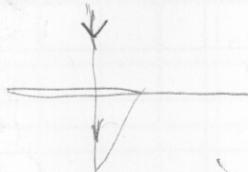
Workstation Scientist _____

Observers _____

Mission Briefing: (include sketch of proposed flight track or page #)

See previous

Mission Synopsis: (include plot of actual flight track)



Flight pattern: Fly a single figure-8 pattern @ 10Kft. Drops at the endpoints and perhaps at the center. Pattern was flown as planned. There were some changes based on differences in the center position from what was expected.

Evaluation: (did the experiment meet the proposed objectives?) Mission did meet objectives. There was a good distribution of scatterers that provided ample coverage for the Doppler. Doppler analyses, one dropsonde at the center, and FL vs SFMR winds all indicated a vortex that tilted generally toward the east with height. Bulk of precip. was on east side, including a line of heavy rain in a NE SW band on E side of storm. Storm still generally becoming consolidated, with fairly warm cloud tops from CF but occasionally high reflectivity from LF.

Problems: (list all problems)

No major problems, but 15

2 drops had no launch detect. Not sure of reason, but could have been operator issues

Expendables used in mission:

GPS sondes : 6

AXBTs : —

Sonobuoys: —