

# Radar Scientist Form

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Flight ID ~~NOAA42-0702A Boring~~ Storm AL022019

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The aircraft radar scientist is responsible for data collection from all radar systems on his/her assigned aircraft, working with the ground radar scientist to ensure successful transmission of all radar products from the aircraft in a timely manner, and contributing to mission science by communicating real-time radar products to the LPS. Specific responsibilities are detailed in the *Aircraft Radar Support Guide* located on the radar workstation desktop and in the flight bag.

## § Pre-flight Notes.

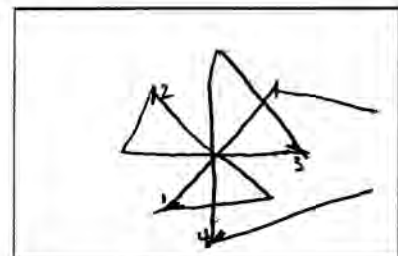
Indicate below any existing radar instrumentation issues, pre-flight radar repairs or other instrumentation issues (e.g., GPS swapout) that might impact radar data collection or analyses. If none, then simply write NONE below.

On first pass of previous flight, display showed master scanning properly but "product\_raw" files for "fore" were not being written.

## § Pre-flight Setup with Ground Radar Scientist.

Preferably before the planeside briefing, establish Xchat communication with the ground radar scientist on #radar. Check off the following tasks.

- Communicate any pre-flight issues noted above.
- Confirm latest flight pattern. Sketch to the right.  
Indicate legs constituting proposed analyses.
- Go through Steps 1-3 of Aircraft Radar Support Guide.



### § In-flight Setup with Ground Radar Scientist.

After radar recording has begun, reestablish Xchat communication with the ground radar scientist on #radar. Check off the following tasks.

- Go through Steps 4-7 of Aircraft Radar Support Guide.

Indicate below any issues identified during Steps 4-7, in particular any radar instrumentation issues evident in the radar displays. If none, then simply write NONE below.

### § In-pattern Radar and Weather Event Log.

Indicate below any radar down times or significant weather observations that might be helpful for interpreting radar analyses (e.g., flight through sparse shallow convection).

Time (HHMMSS)	Event (Radar or Weather)
101500	widespread stratiform region in southern quadrant
105730	shallow convection widespread (looks like a cu deck)
110740	cu deck decreasing to NW
113310	low level cloud deck w/ sporadic congested / shallow convection
114100	congested a bit deeper just north (0-5km away)
114340	no cloud deck near aircraft w/ sporadic shallow convection
133500	(Time not exact) End of 180° leg mid+ turbulence (lots of verticality) followed by very extensive stratiform area

**§ End-of-Flight Shutdown with Ground Radar Scientist.**

Once the aircraft exits the system, reestablish Xchat communication with the ground radar scientist on #radar. Check off the following tasks.

- Go through "NEAR END OF FLIGHT" Steps 1-5 of Aircraft Radar Support Guide.

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If you recorded "N" for Analysis Sent at any point during the flight, please detail the situation below. If there are any other *mission-critical* issues pertaining to the radar systems not documented above, please note them here. If none, then simply write NONE below.

None

