

EISCAT: A Multinational Scientific Association for Upper Atmosphere Research

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EISCAT

- Originally: European Incoherent SCATter.
- Since 1975.
- Operates 3 ISRs.
- Locations: Tromsø (NO), Kiruna (SE), Sodankylä (FI), Longyearbyen (Svalbard).
- Founding members: UK, DE, FR, NO, SE, FI.
- Members (2014): UK, NO, SE, FI, JP, CN (+RU, FR, (UA)).
- August 2011: 30 years of measurements.



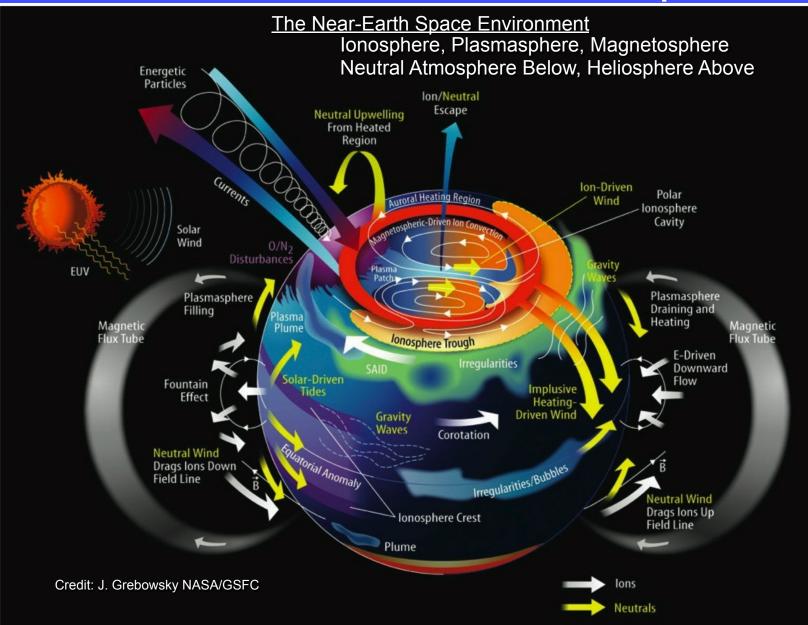


EISCAT Associates/Affiliates

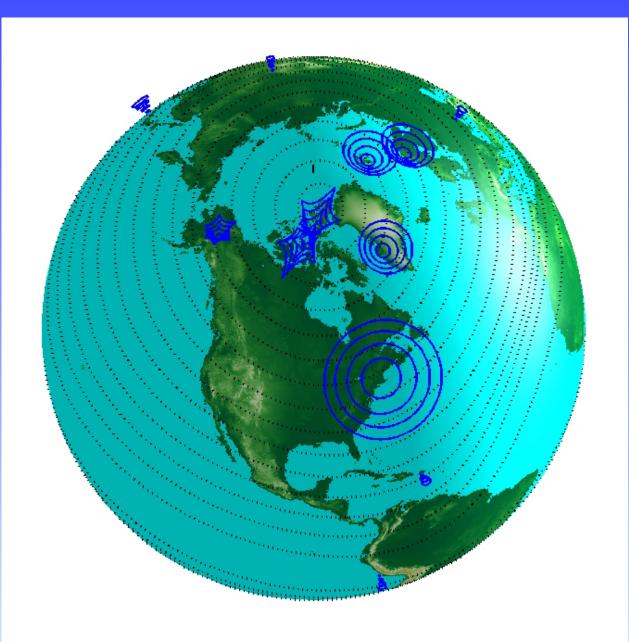


* EISCAT host countries

Core Research Area: Geospace

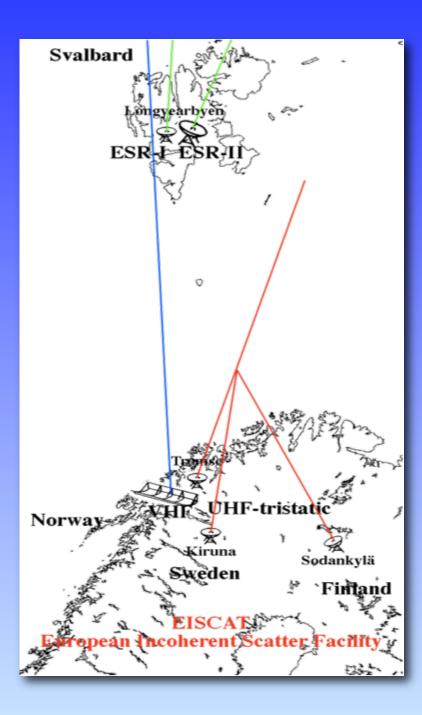


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Current EISCAT installations in Northern Scandinavia and Finland

Unique: tristatic IS radar!



EISCAT Scief EISCAT Mainland Radars

Tromsø, Norway

Kiruna, Sweden

Sodankylä, Finland

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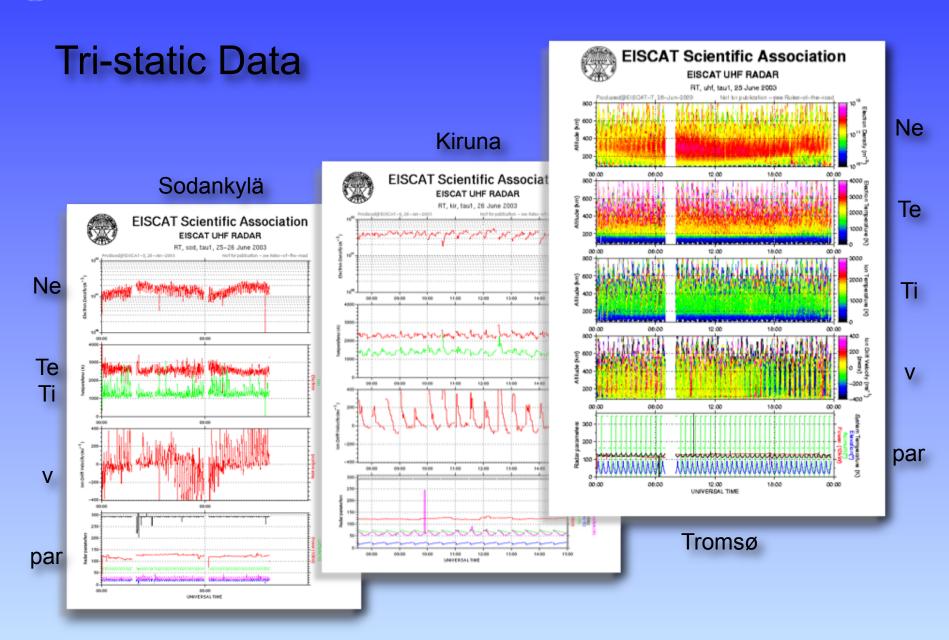
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KAIRA, Kilpisjärv

Finland



Kiruna, Sweden





Ionospheric Heater 4-8 MHz

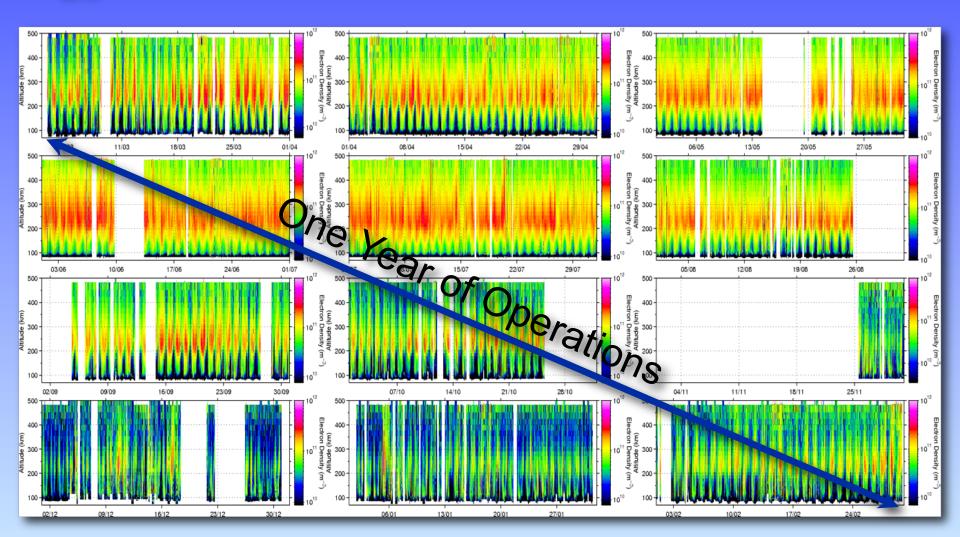




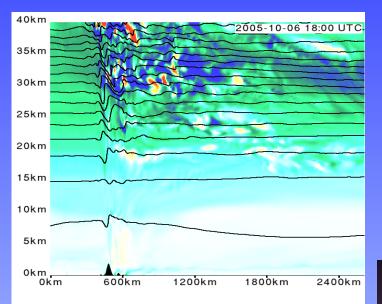
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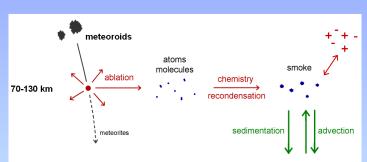
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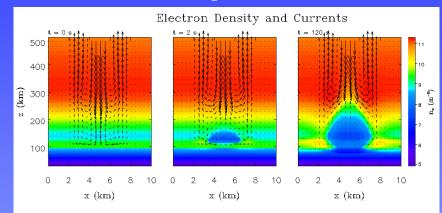
EISCAT Scientific A Diverse Science Topics



Model of a mountain wave breaking in the stratosphere. The contours show the flow of air (from left to right) across the mountains and the color scale shows potential vorticity. E3D will be the only radar in the world able to study vorticity structures in the lee of a major mountain chain.



Schematic of the fate of meteoric material in the mesosphere (adapted from Gumbel et al. 2005).

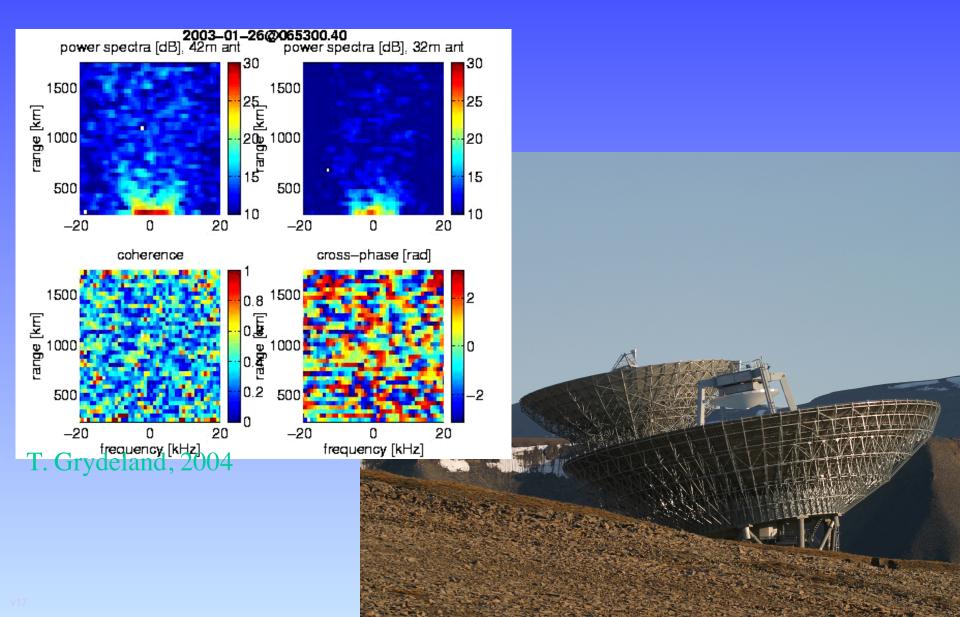


Modelled density and flow pattern of a density cavity (Karlsson and Marklund, 1998). E3D will for the first time reveal how such structures form.

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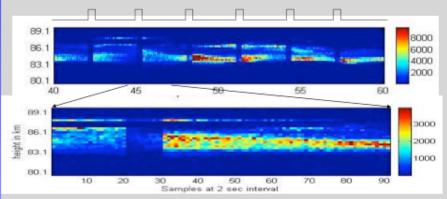


Diverse Science Topics

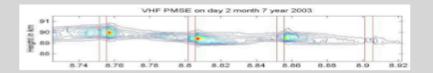


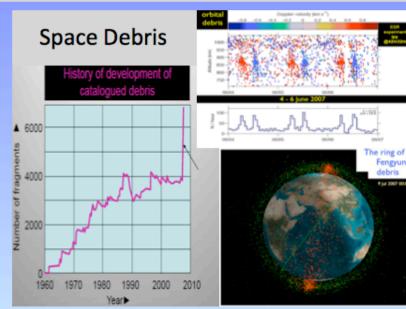
EISCAT highlights

Modulation of Polar Mesospheric Summer Echoes



Overshoot effect – Lower dust density, or larger dust grains ??

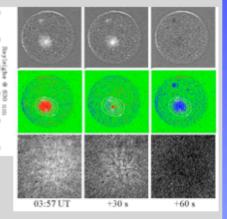






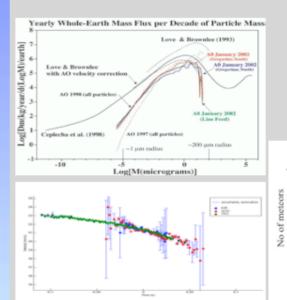
Artificial Auroras

Province Protection Protection Province Province

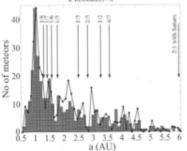


Images courtesy of Mike Kosch, University of Lancaster

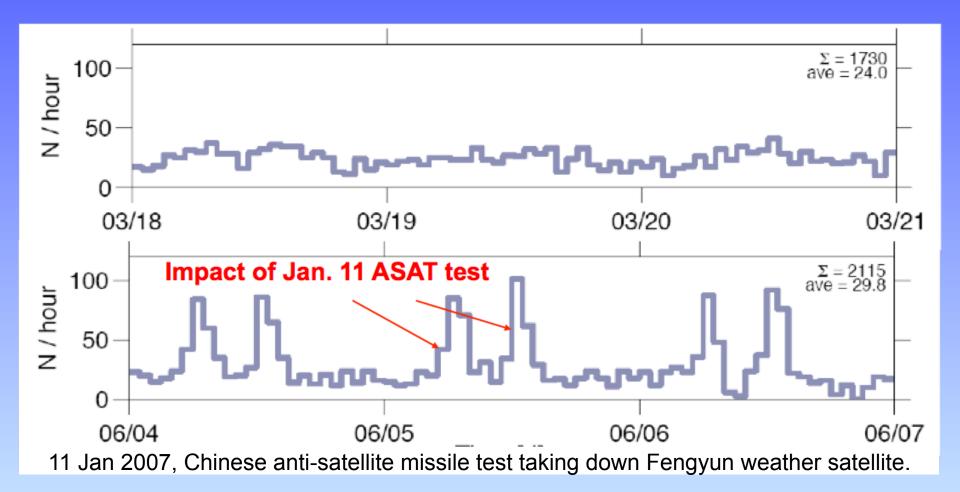
Meteors and Solar System Dust







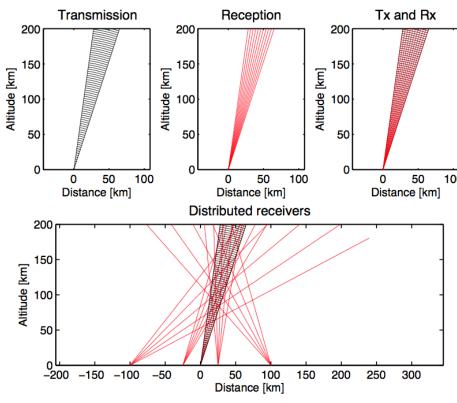
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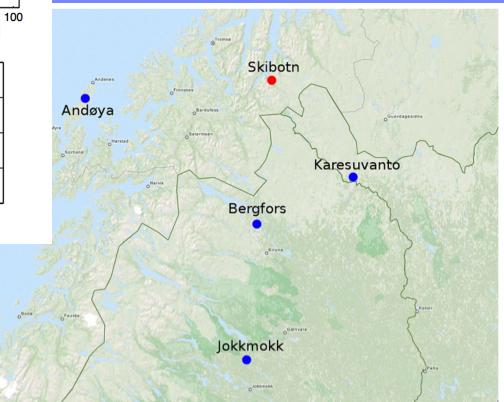
EISCAT_3D – Reinventing EISCAT



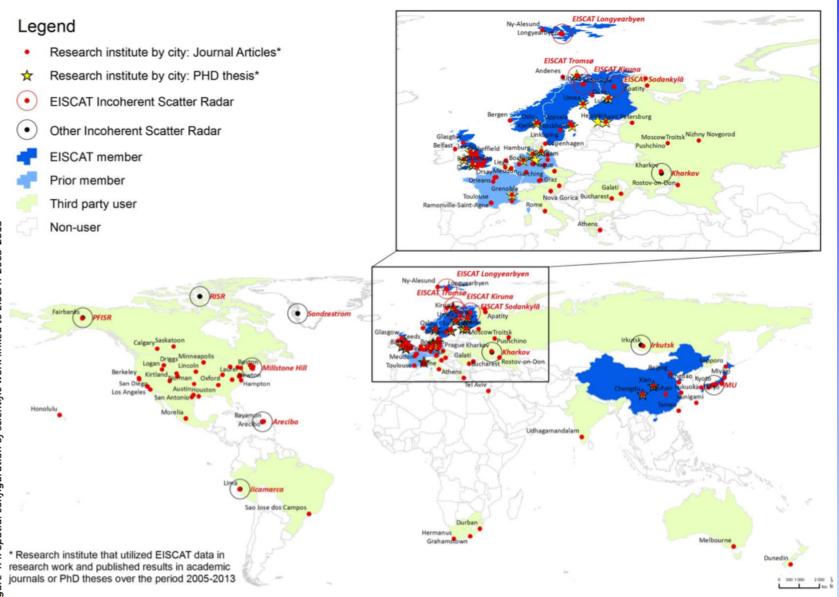
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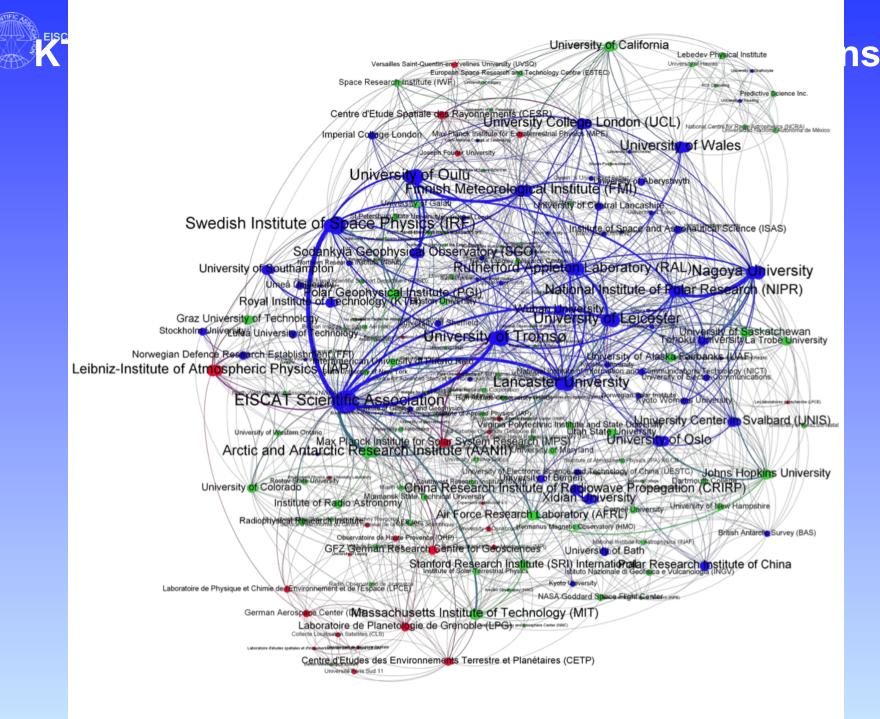


A distributed instrument in northern Europe with 5 stations: 1 Transmit/ Receive and 4 Receive-mostly



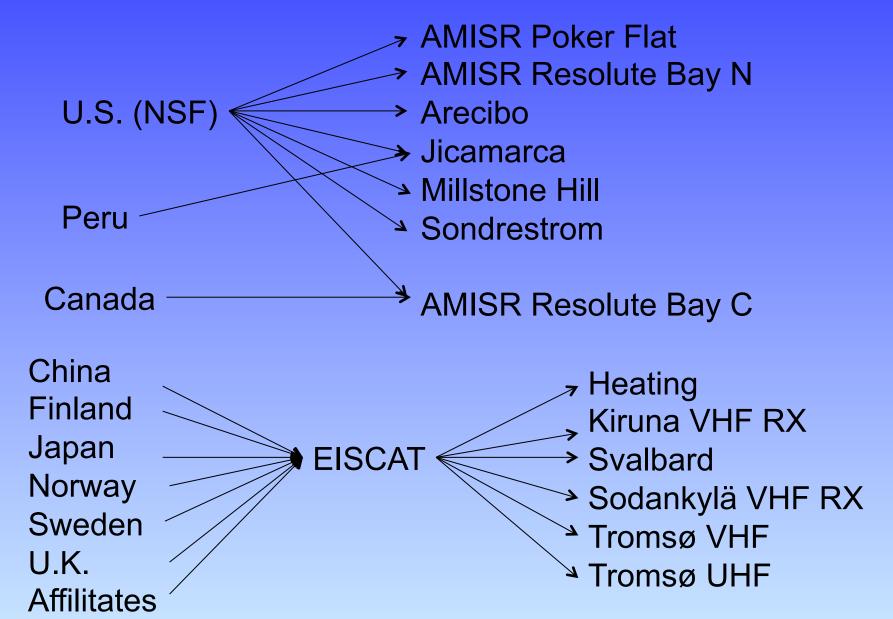
KTH Analysis of 8 Years of EISCAT Publications





MIMO Funding

EISCAT Scientific Association



You can get Radar Time!

- Live in a member nation
- Collaborate with someone in a member nation
- Become an affiliate institution
- **EISCAT Peer-Review Programme**
 - EISCAT sets aside 200 hrs of radar time per year (at the moment).
 - Everyone can apply!
 - Decisions on basis of merit.

QUESTIONS?

http://heinselslug.smugmug.com/Professional/Meetings/ISR-School-2014-Arecibo/