

Observations météorologiques et nivologiques à dôme C: de l'existant et de l'héritage de CONCORDIASI

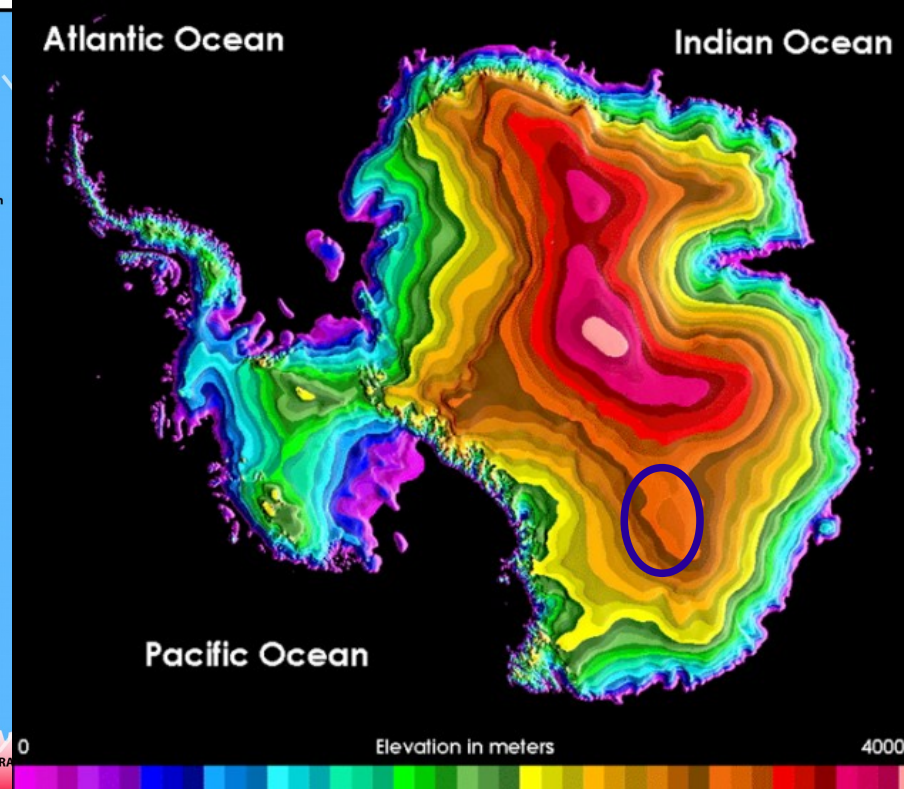


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Dome C, Antarctica

- On the high antarctic plateau: $75^{\circ}06.06\text{S}$, $123^{\circ}20.74\text{E}$, 3350 m asl
- >1000 km inland from the nearest coast



An aerial photograph of a research station on a vast, flat, snow-covered plain. The station consists of several small, white, dome-shaped tents and a few larger, rectangular structures. A small, dark, cylindrical structure is visible on the left side of the station. The ground is covered in a thick layer of snow, with some tracks and small mounds of snow visible. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The overall scene is desolate and remote.

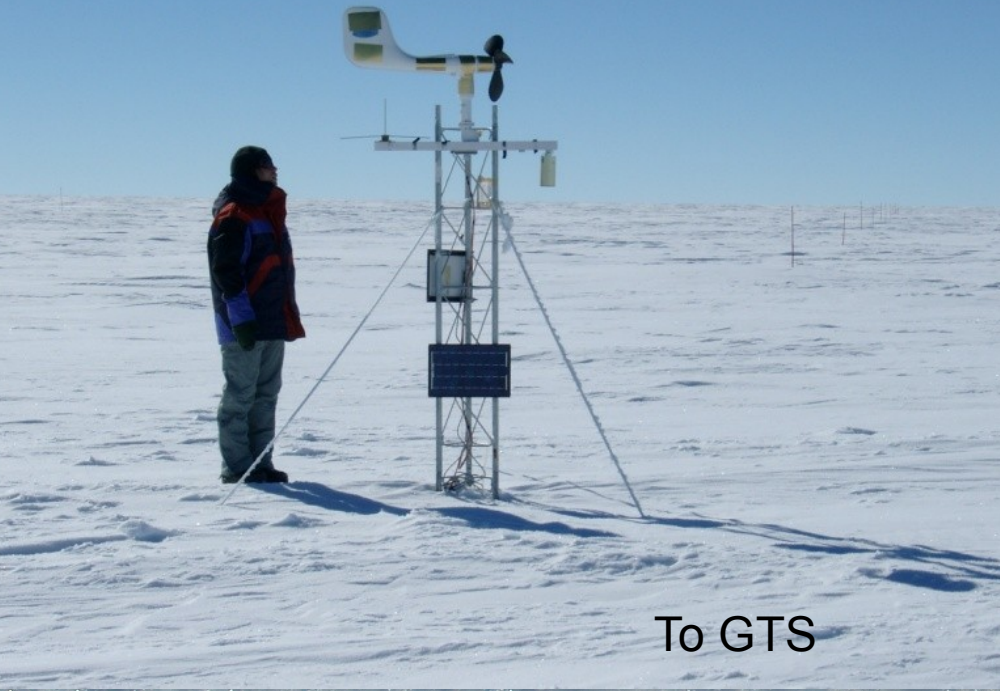
Dôme C, morne plaine...

Dome C, Antarctica

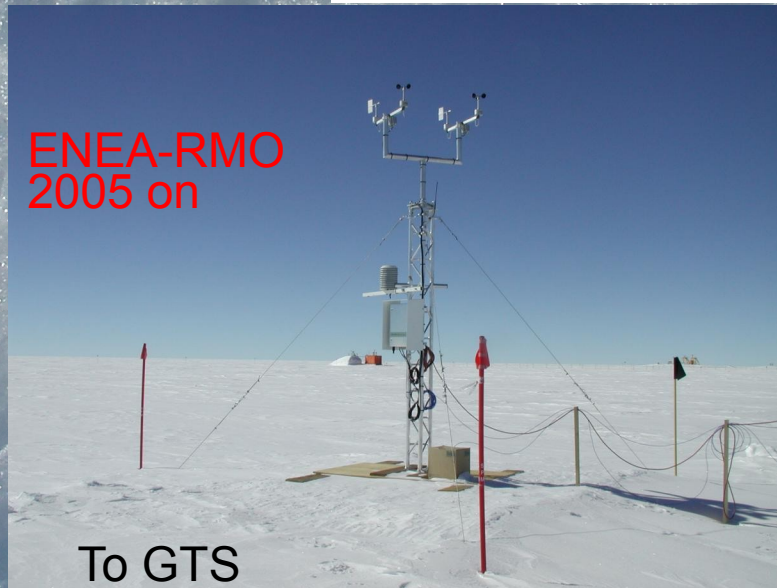
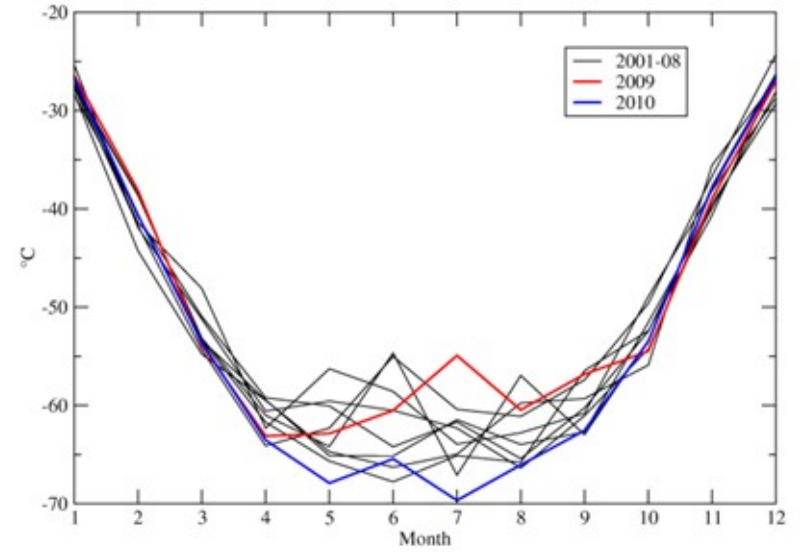
A permanent station: Concordia (Fr/It)



AMRC 1995 (1980) on



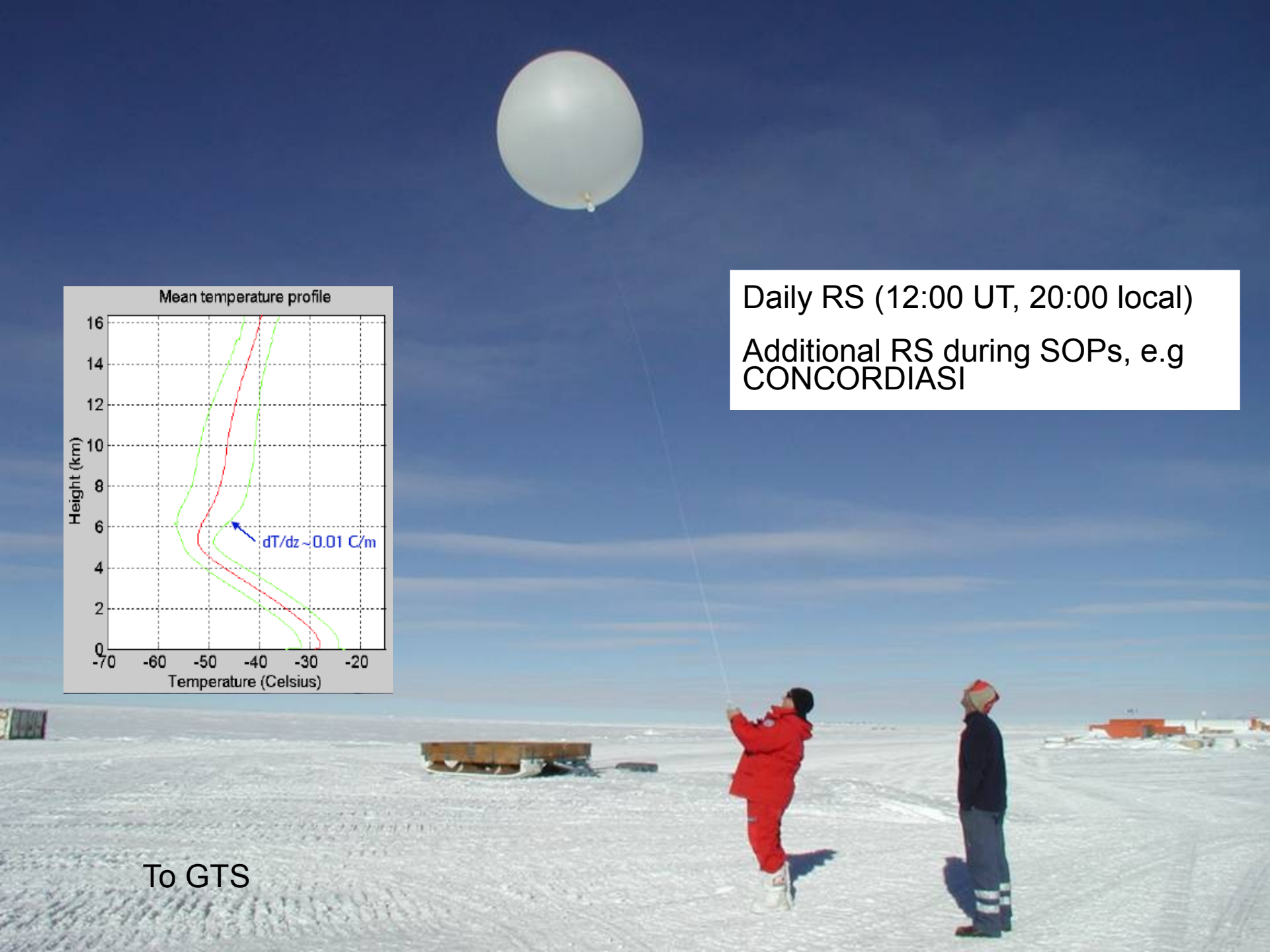
To GTS



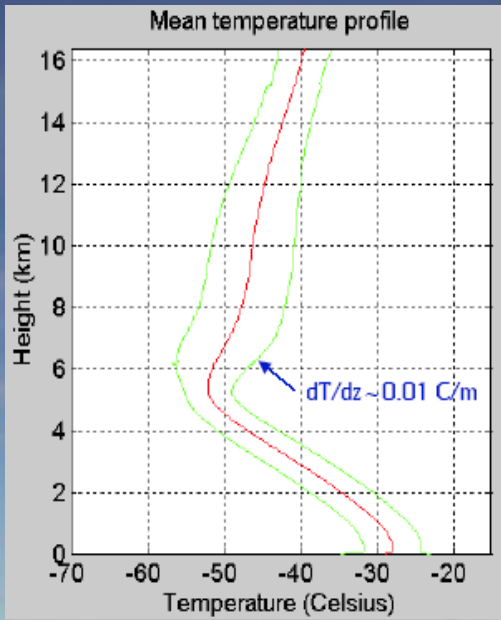
ENEA-RMO
2005 on

To GTS

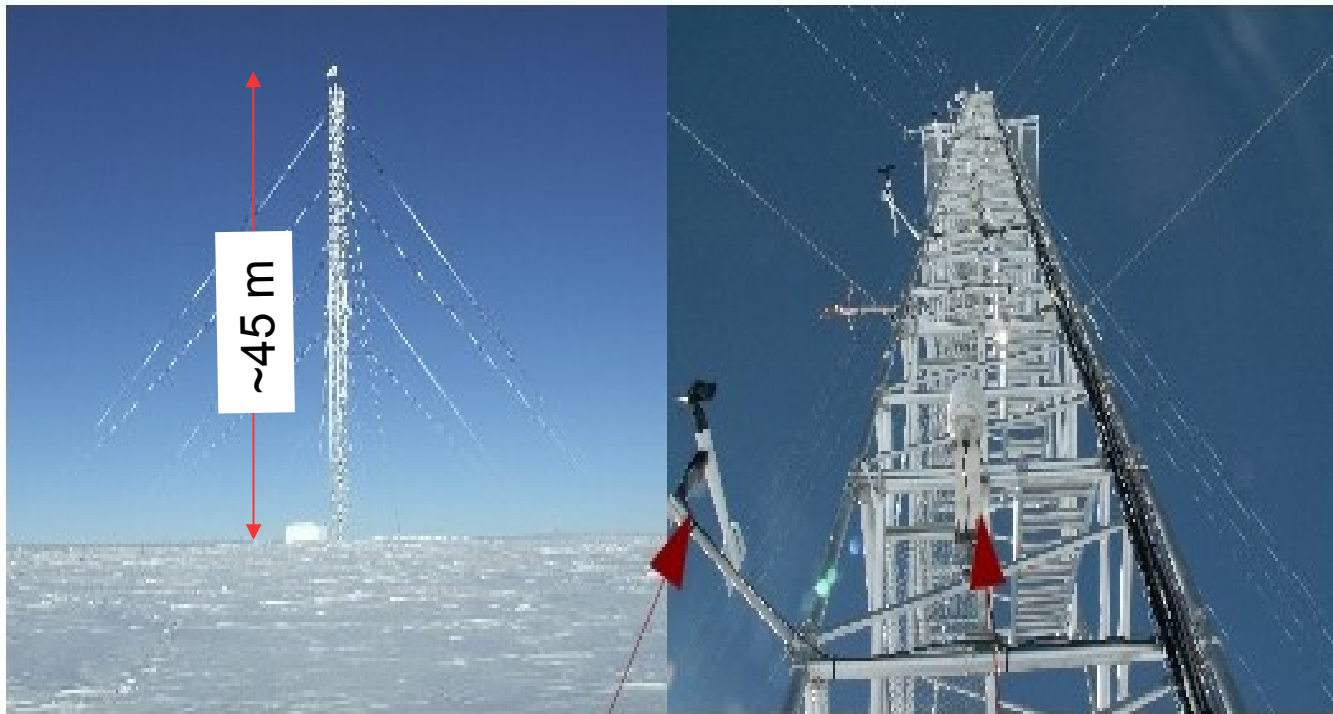




Daily RS (12:00 UT, 20:00 local)
Additional RS during SOPs, e.g
CONCORDIASI



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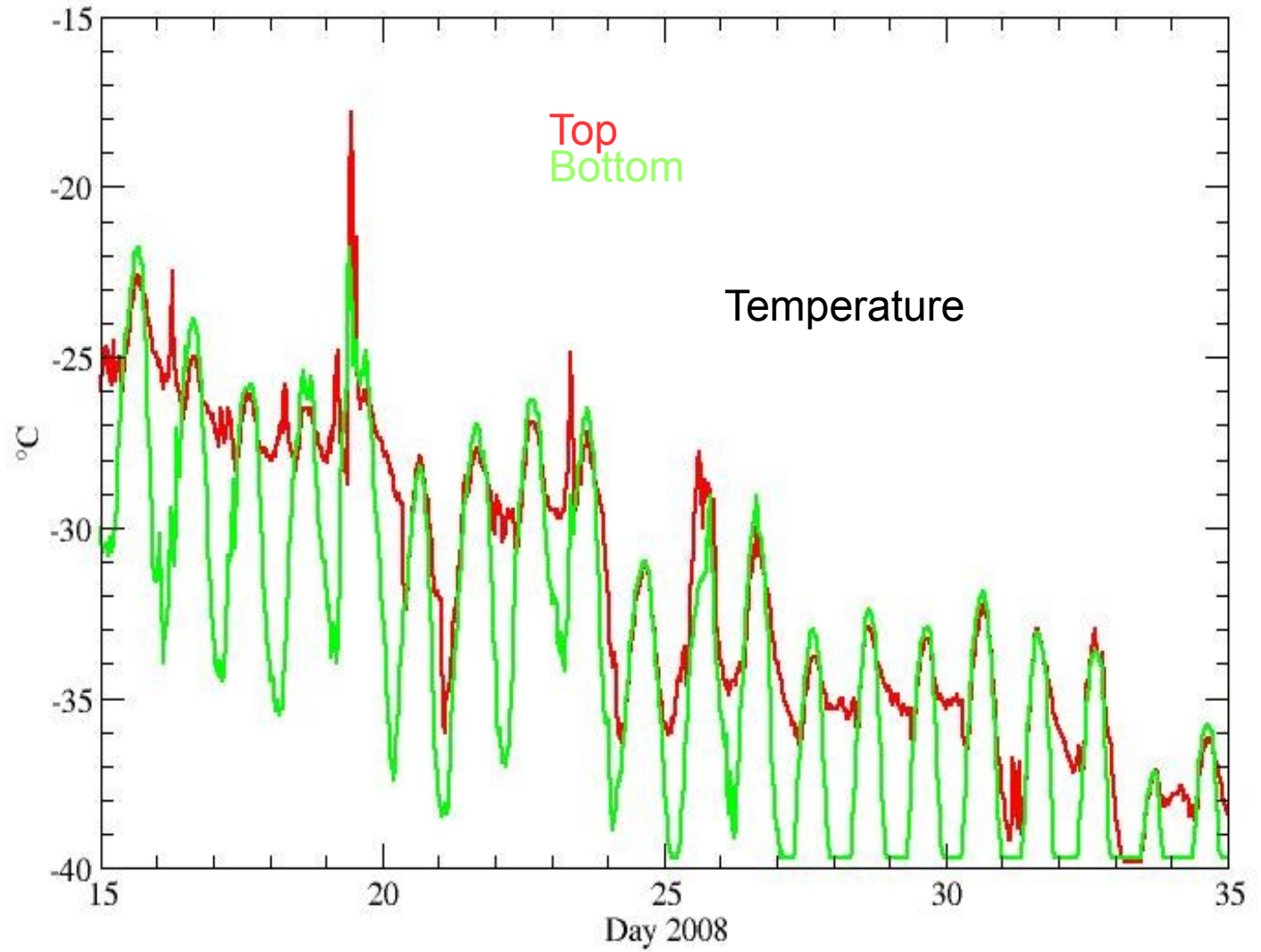


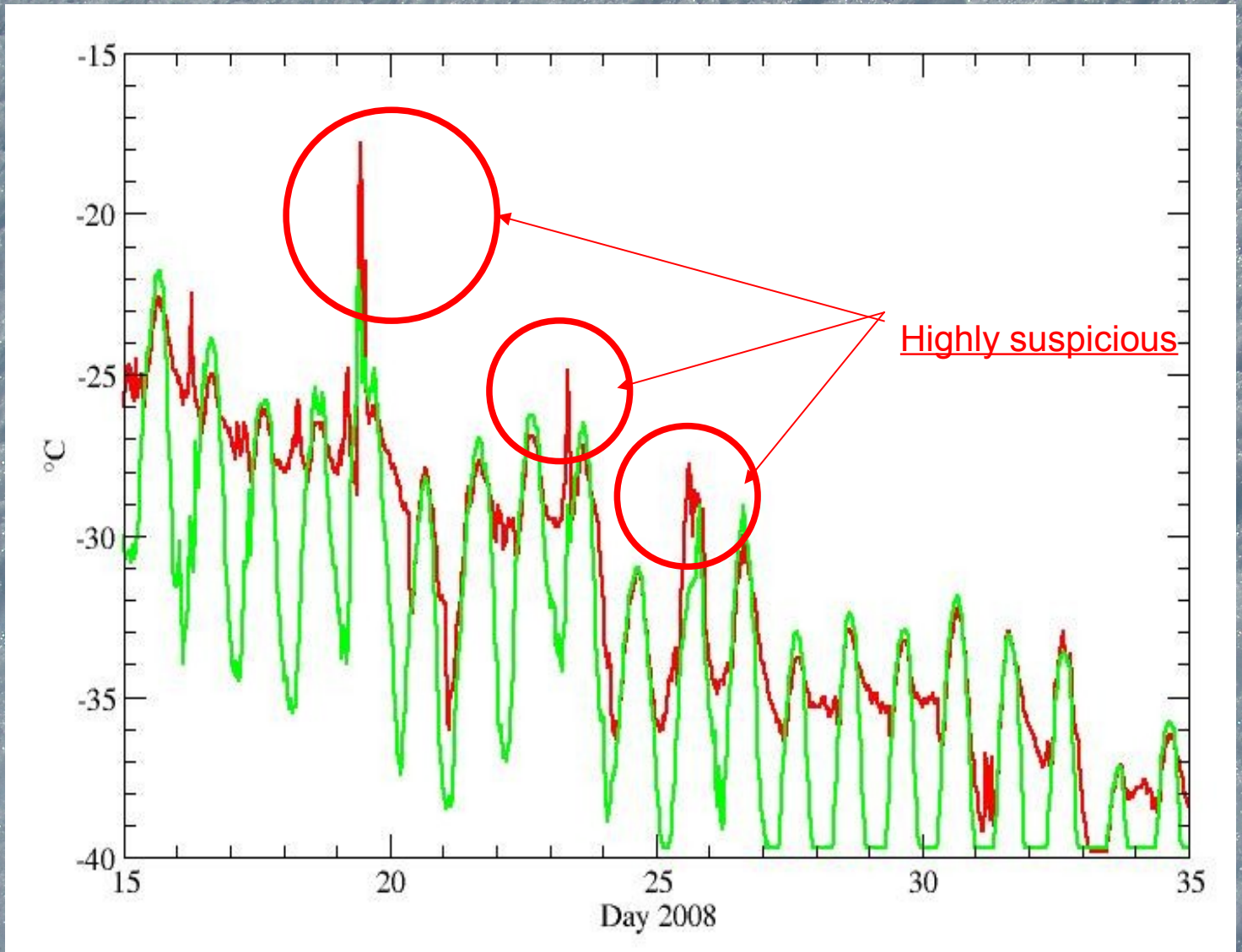
Aerovane

Radiation shielded
Thermo-hygrometer

A continuous surface atmospheric boundary layer profiling system, ~3 to ~44 m above surface, since January 2008

=> programme IPEV CONCORDIASI (+ radiosondages)





Atmospheric temperature measurement is an issue on the antarctic plateau

2009 on: Aspirated (RM Young 43502)

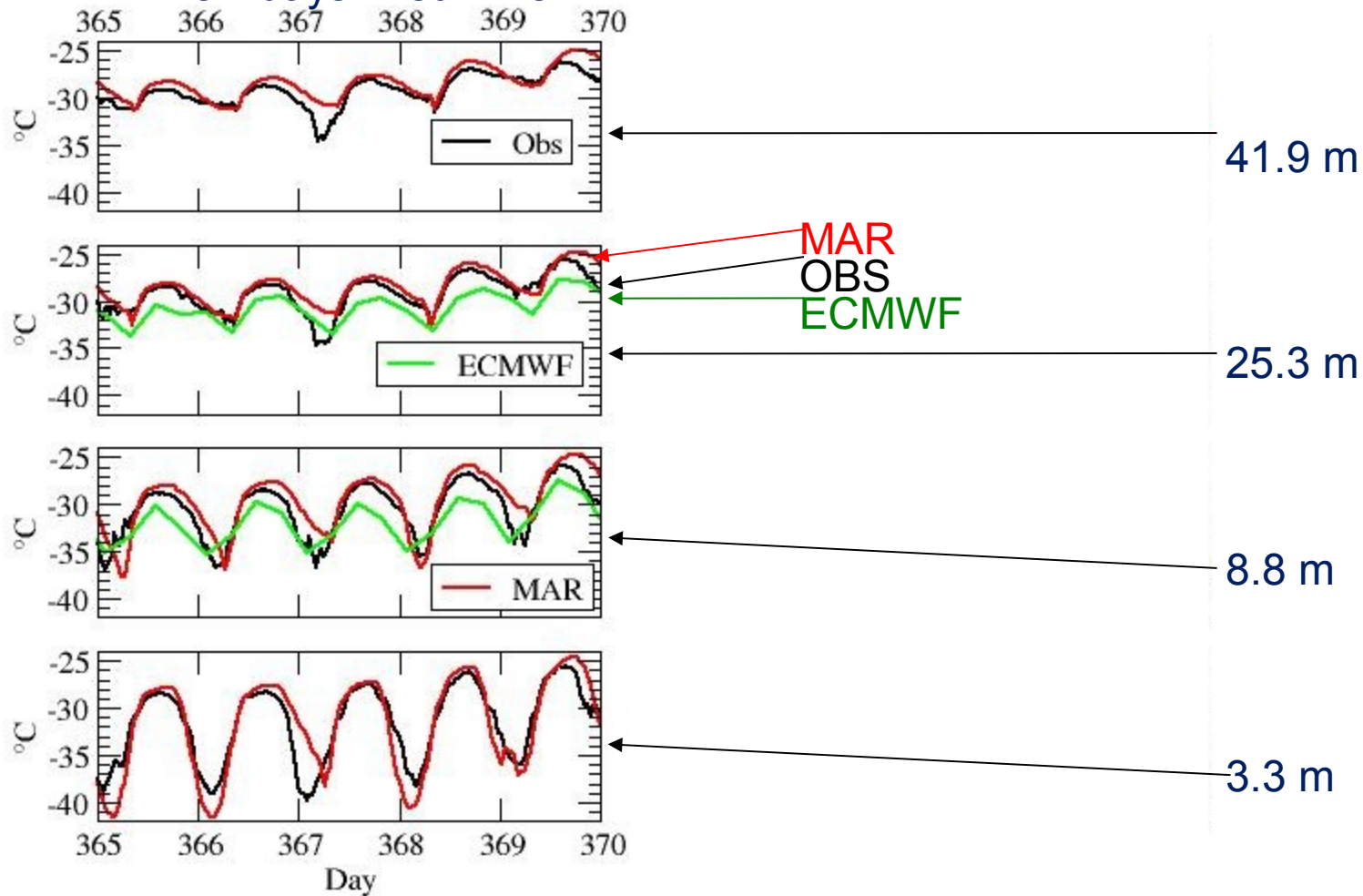
Dispo en 2009 pour la campagne
CONCORDIASI

2008: gill-style multiplate natural
(wind) ventilation



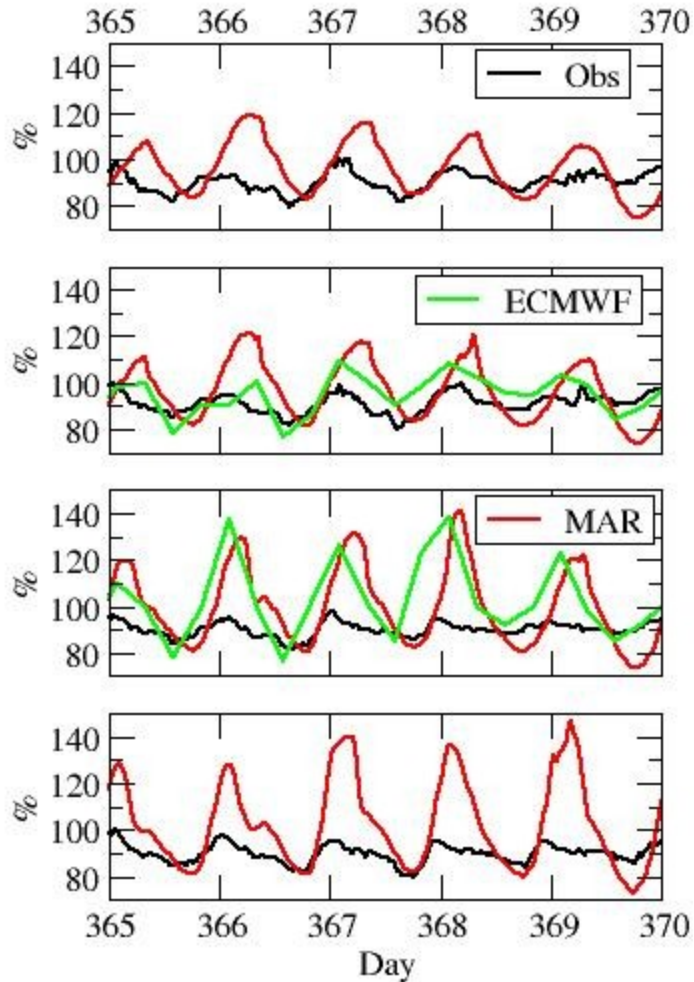
Observation + ECMWF analyses + MAR mesoscale model

A few days in summer



Temperature

Observation + ECMWF analyses + MAR mesoscale model



41.9 m

25.3 m

8.8 m

3.3 m

Relative humidity wrt ice

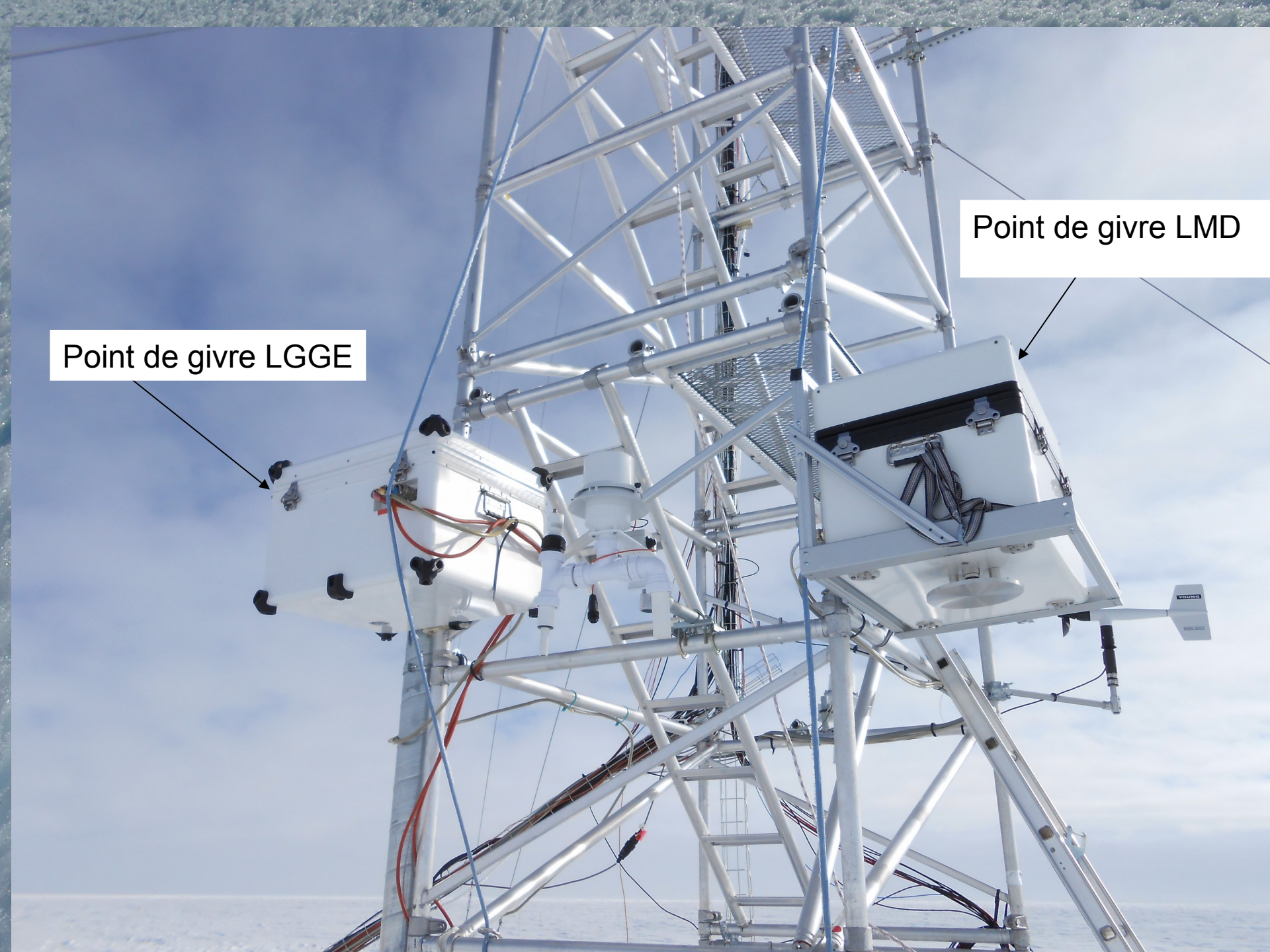


Elément de mesure (Humicap)

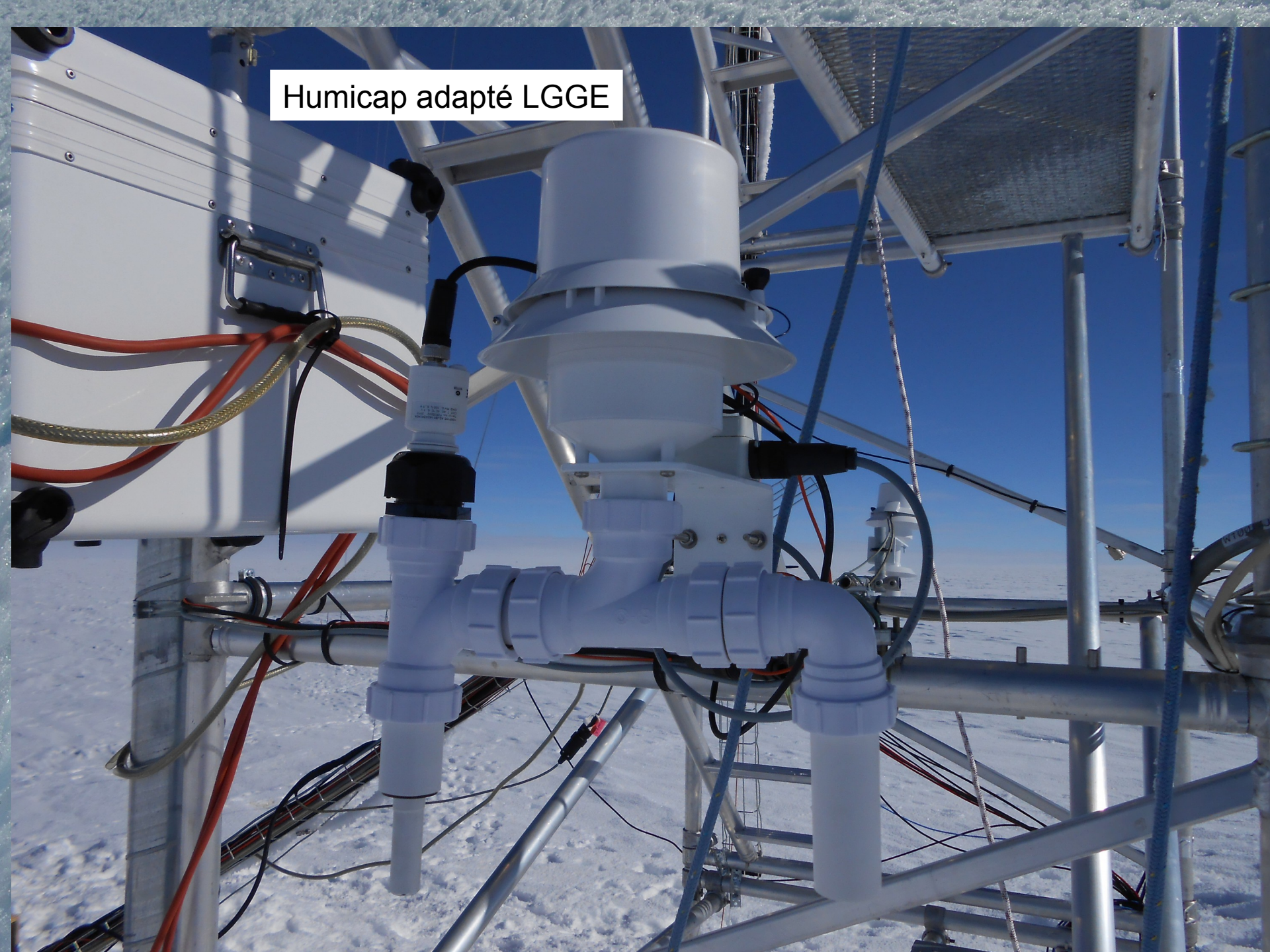


Point de givre LGGE

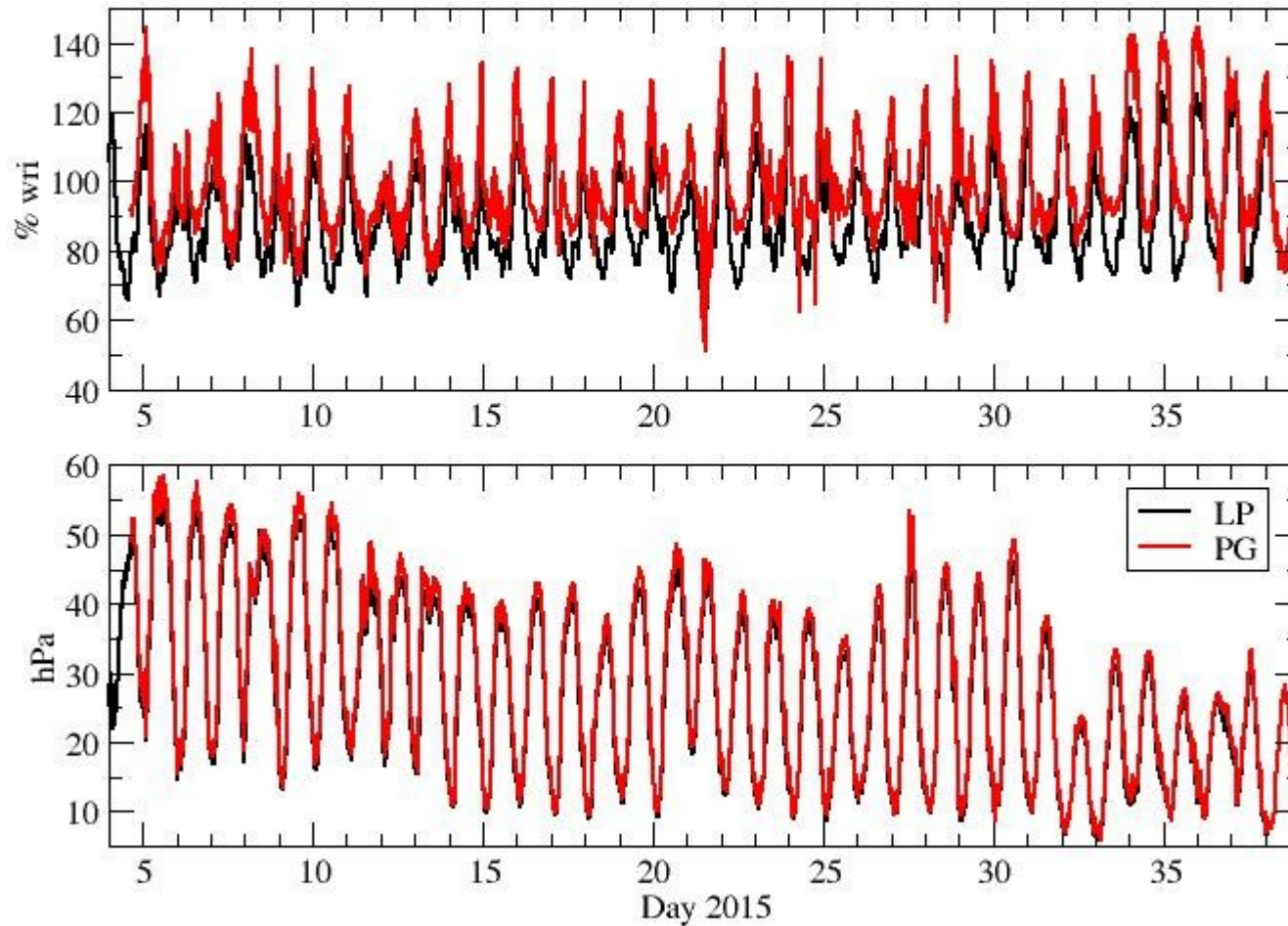
Point de givre LMD



Humicap adapté LGGE



Ca marche ! => tests des paramétrisations de microphysique froide
(J.-B. Madeleine, LMD)



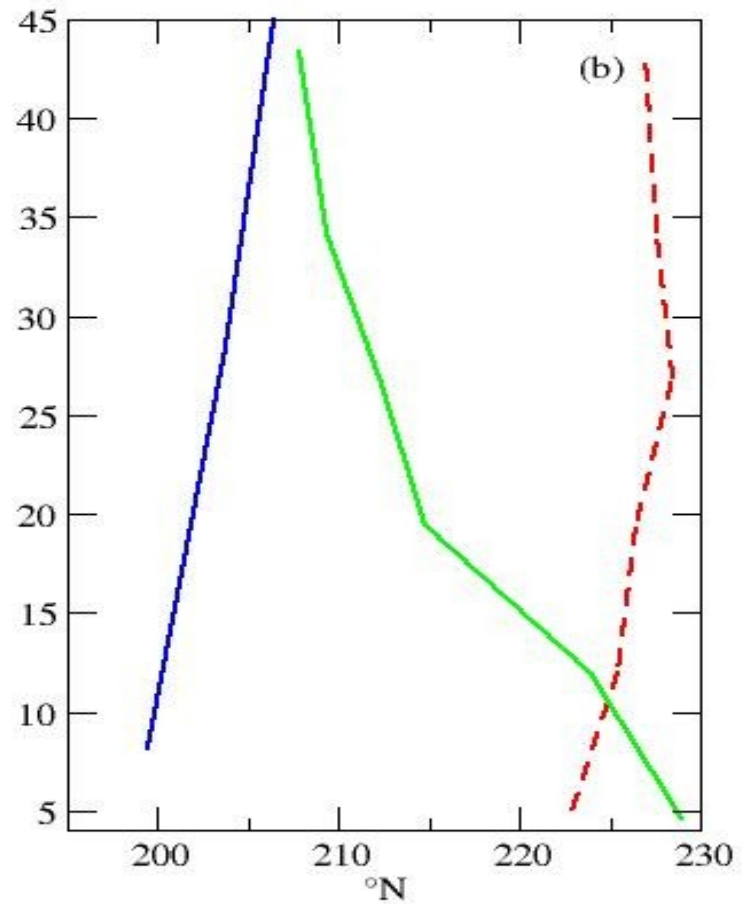
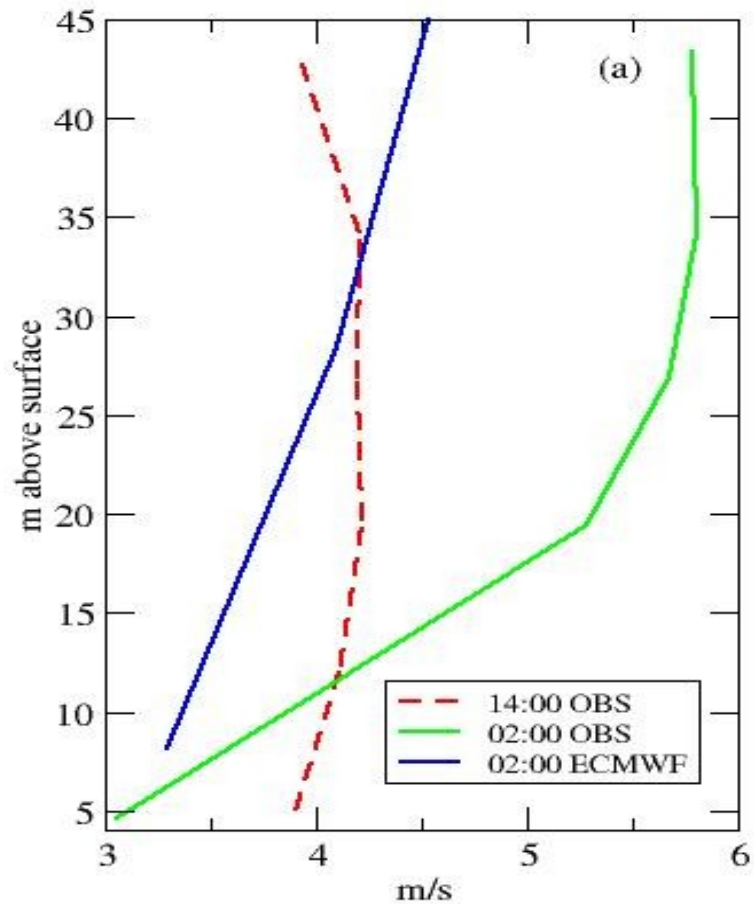


Mais la mesure à Dôme C
c'est en général pas facile...

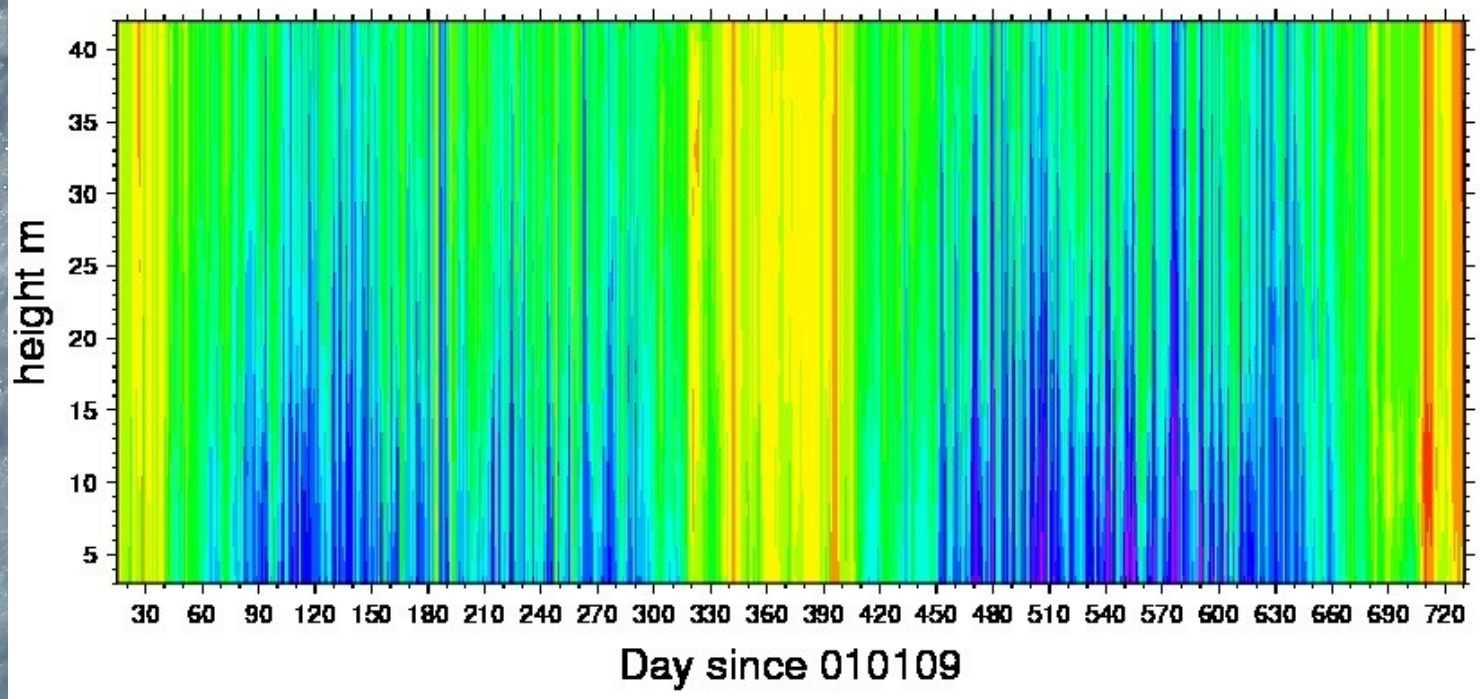
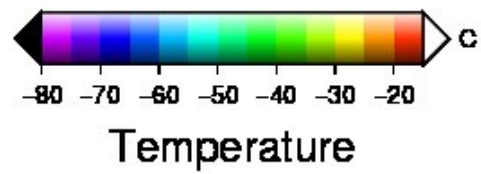


En particulier pour les thermo-anémomètres soniques
Olivier ?



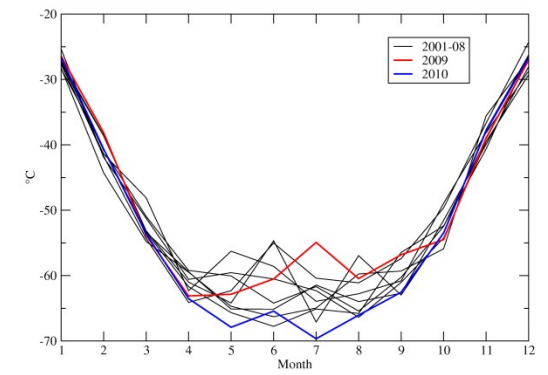


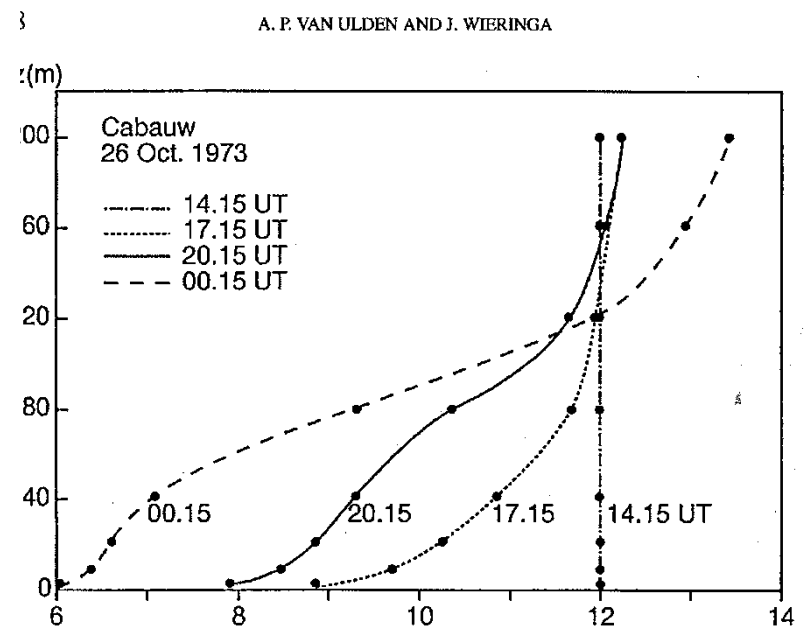
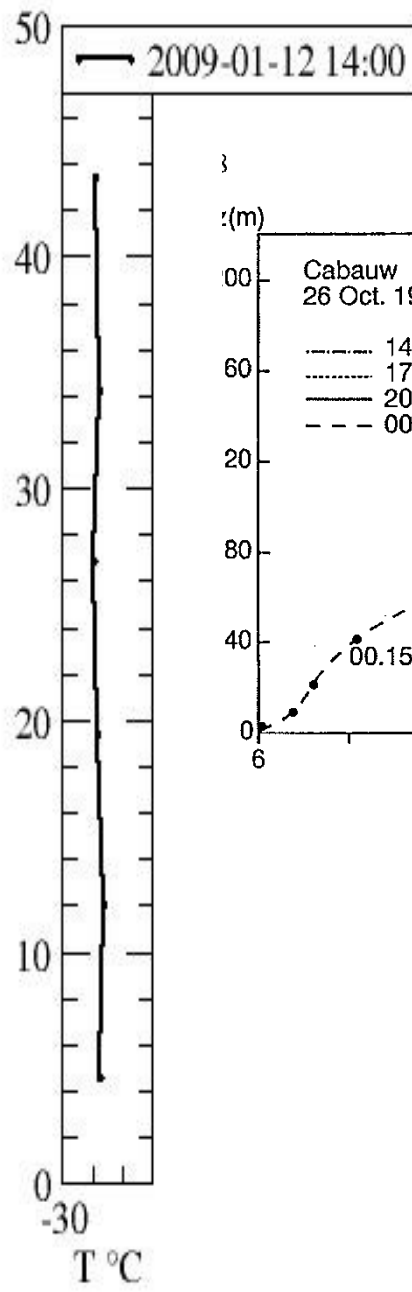
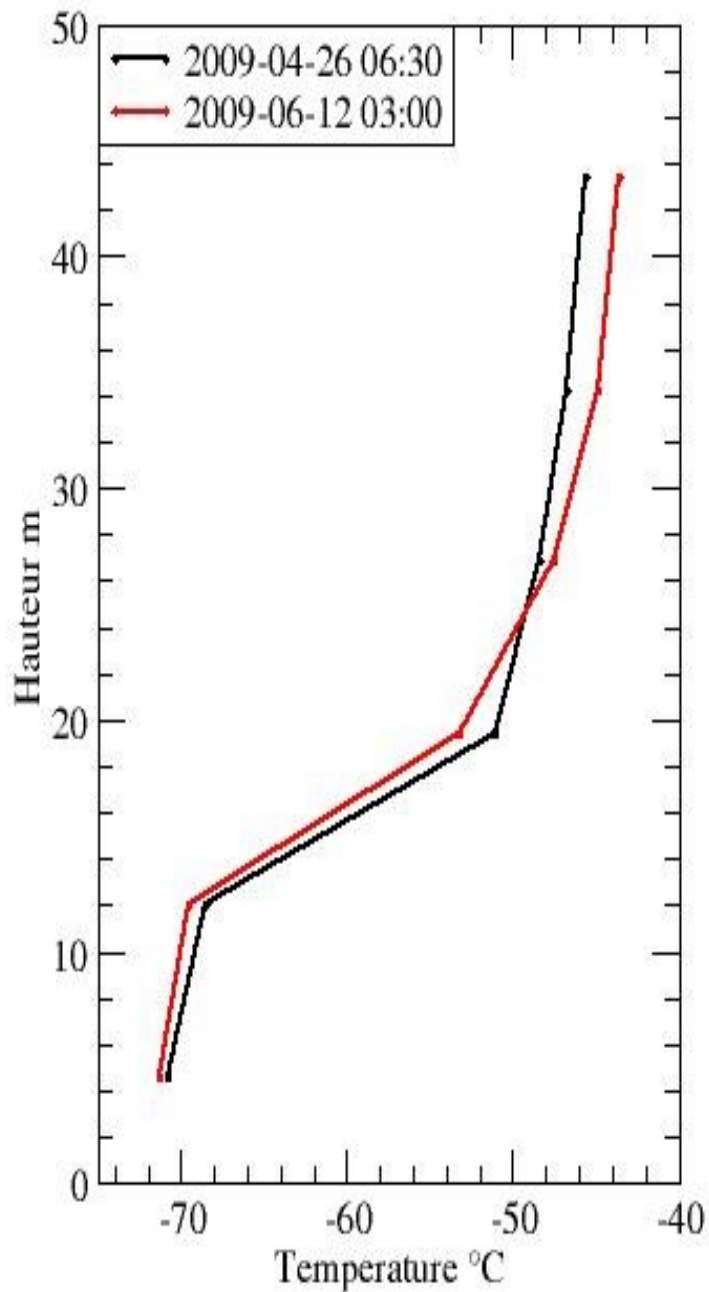
Observed (tower) and analyzed (ECMWF) mean wind profile, January 2008
(avec Mike Town...)



Temperature 2009-2010

AMRC AWS
2001-2010





Cabauw, Oct
1973

Dome C est labélisé “core observation site” du Global Cryospheric Watch
(OMM)
<http://globalcryospherewatch.org/cryonet/sitepage.php?surveyid=64>



Global Cryosphere Watch

Dome-C Site Information

Concordia is a joint French-Italian research facility opened in 2005 on the Antarctic Plateau, Antarctica (75°6 0 S, 123°20 0 E), managed together by PNRA (Italian National Antarctic Programme) and IPEV (Institut Polaire Français Paul Émile Victor).

It is built at 3,233 m above sea level on the third highest summit of Antarctica: Dome C.

Although the summit of a local dome, the surface is essentially flat: surface elevation above sea-level varies by only a few meters over horizontal distances of tens of km. Snow fall and accumulation are very small (about 10 cm of snow accumulation per year) The surface is consistently snow covered because the temperature is always way below freezing all year long and melting does not occur. Temperatures hardly rise above -25°C in summer and can fall below -80°C in winter. The annual average air temperature is -54.5°C. Humidity is low and it is also very dry, with very little precipitation throughout the year.

The station is permanently staffed with at least 10 people in the winter (about half of whom with scientific observation duties) and more than 70 during the local summer. This allows a large range of observation and scientific experiments, including in the field of meteorology, glaciology, snow science, sismology, geomagnetism astronomy and astrophysics, and medical sciences. Operational meteorological observations are carries out, including one radiosounding per day at 12:00 TU, and transmitted on the GTS. The horizontal homogeneity and latitude of Dome C make it an ideal site for the calibration and validation of data from satellites on polar orbit.

Other Networks to Which This Site Belongs

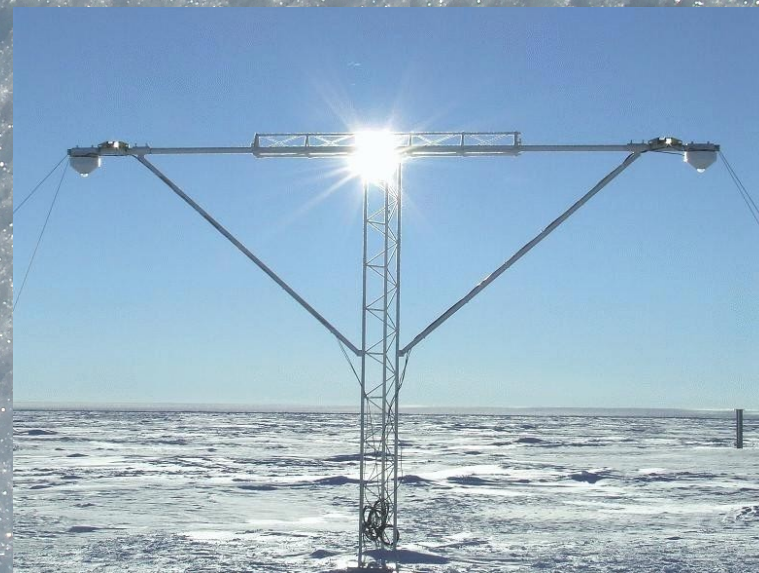
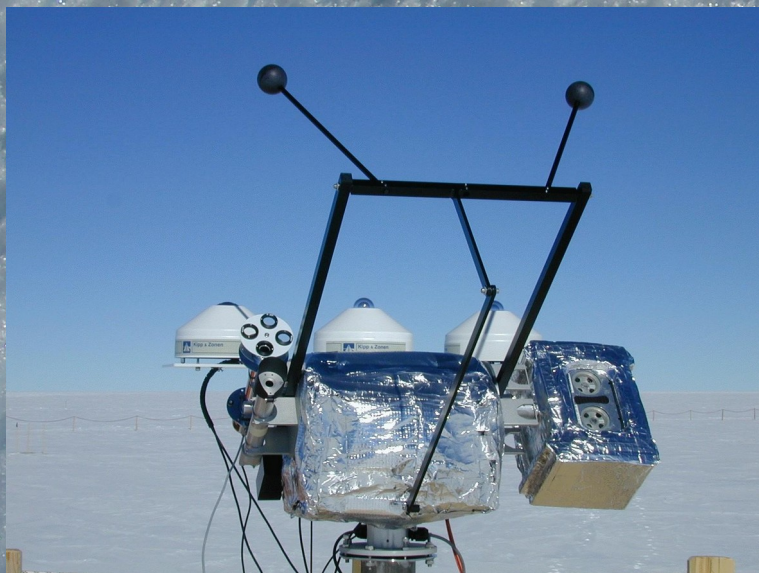


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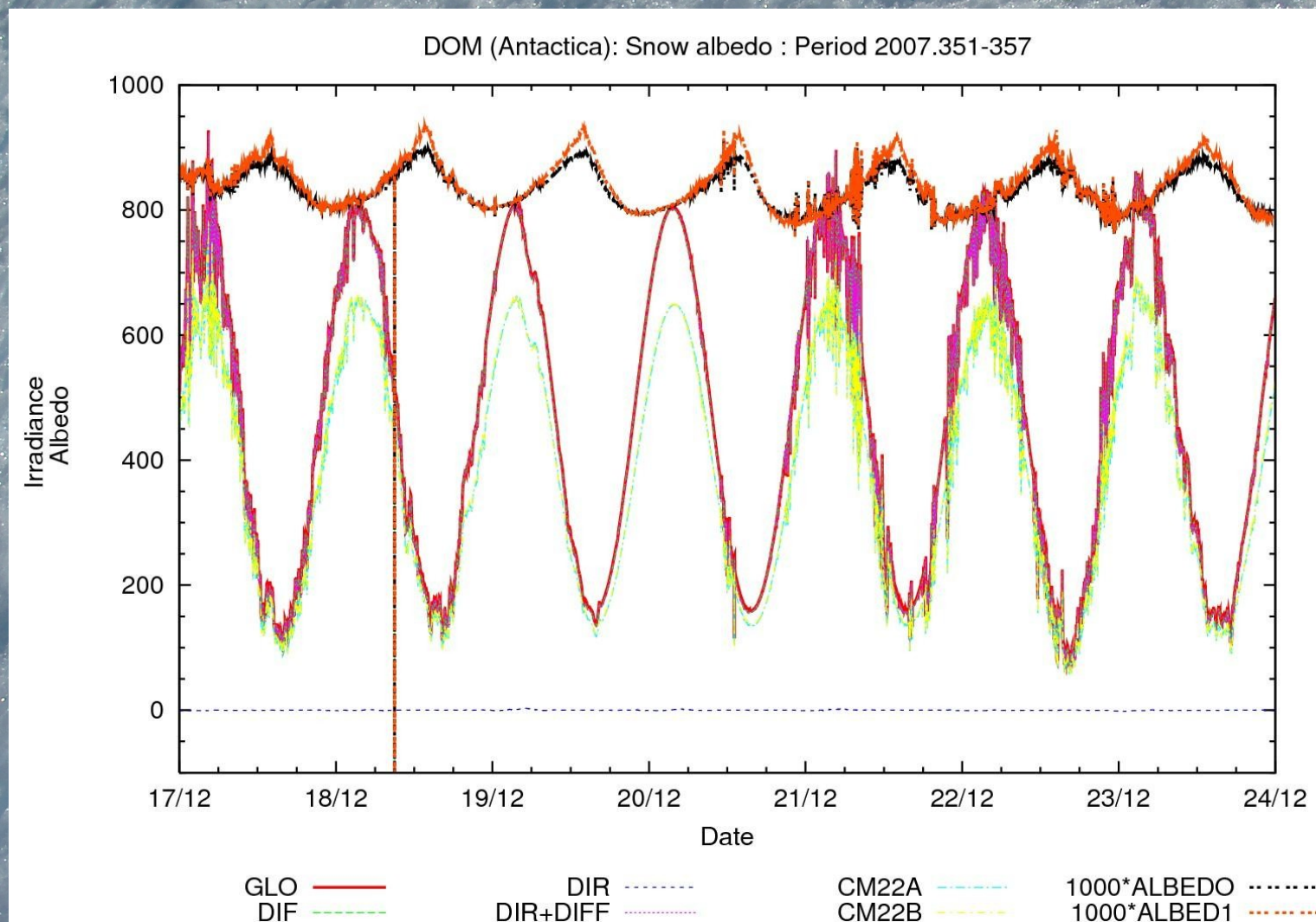
- » GCW site type: Core
- » CryoNet site type: Basic
- » WMO ID (if any): NA
- » Latitude, longitude: -75.1, 123.33
- » Altitude min, max (m): 3230,
- » Landscape: Antarctic Ice sheet
- » Year established: 2004
- » Year-round? Yes
- » Operations contact: Pascal Morin
- » Science contact: Giovanni Macelloni
- » Data contact: Christophe Genthon
- » Website: <http://www.ipev.fr>, www.pnra.it

Baseline Surface Radiation Network station at Dome C

Operated by ISAC, NRC, Bologna



Busetto, Lanconelli, et al. :
http://www.cnrm.meteo.fr/concordiasi/IMG/pdf_7-1_busetto_bsrn_toulouse.pdf



An aerial photograph of a dense, green forest with a white rectangular text box overlaid in the upper-left quadrant. The text is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The forest below shows a complex pattern of tree crowns and shadows, suggesting a varied topography or canopy structure.

Fortes inversions
+ Convection (cycle diurne)
+ Homogénéité spatiale
+ Observations

=> GABLS4 (Fleur)

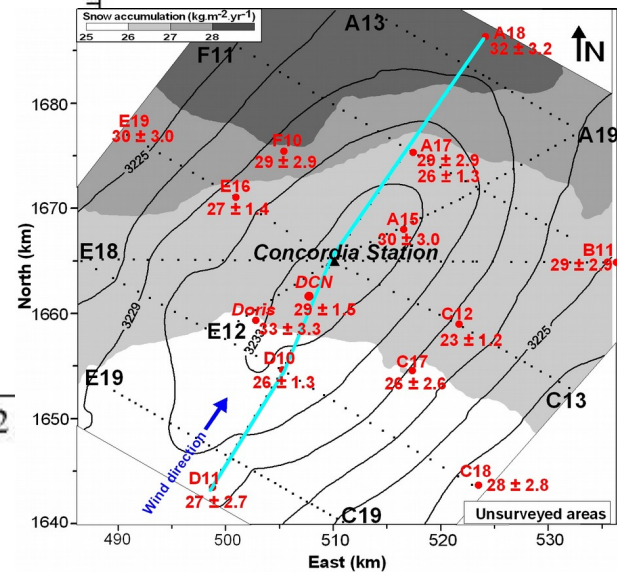
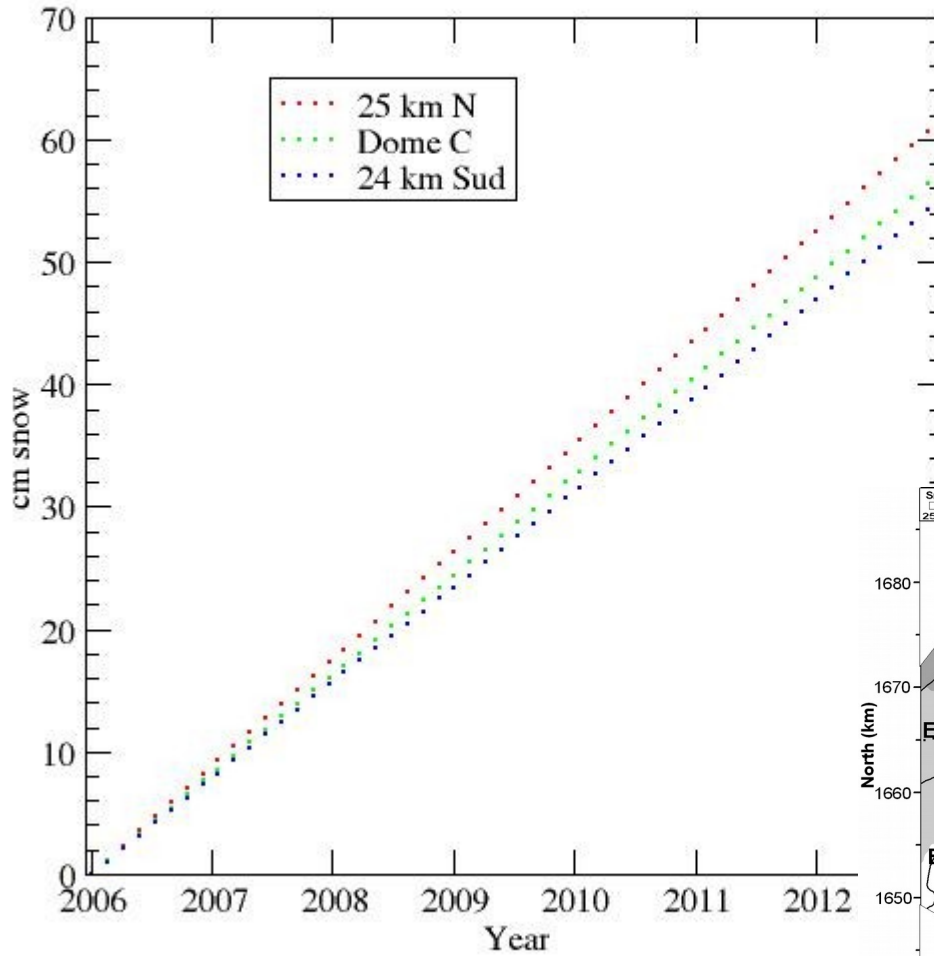
An aerial photograph of a vast, flat, snow-covered landscape under a clear blue sky. In the center-right, there is a small cluster of buildings, including several white tents and some larger structures. To the left, there is a single, isolated structure. The terrain is extremely flat, with only faint tracks visible in the snow.

Dôme C, morne plaine ... plate :

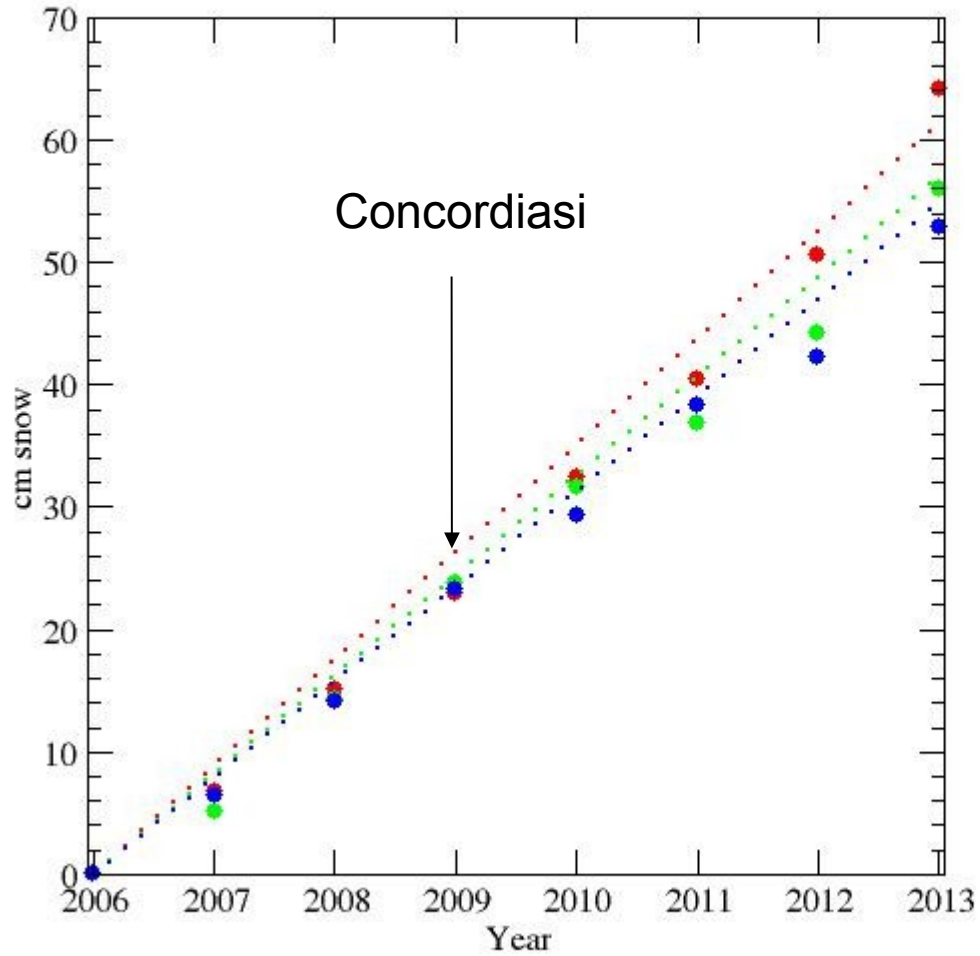
Sur 50 km, l'altitude change de moins de 10 m

Et pourtant

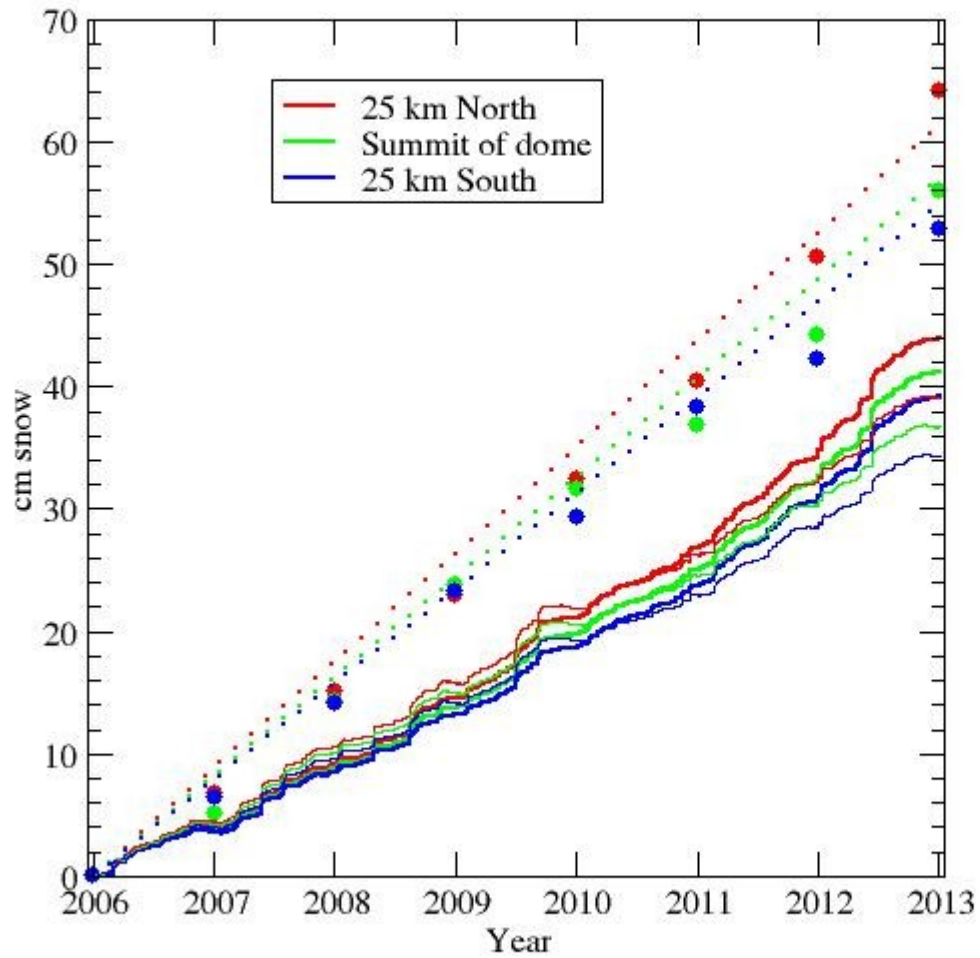
Les mesures GPR indiquent une accumulation de neige 10 à 20 % plus importante au Nord qu'au Sud (mesures GPR)

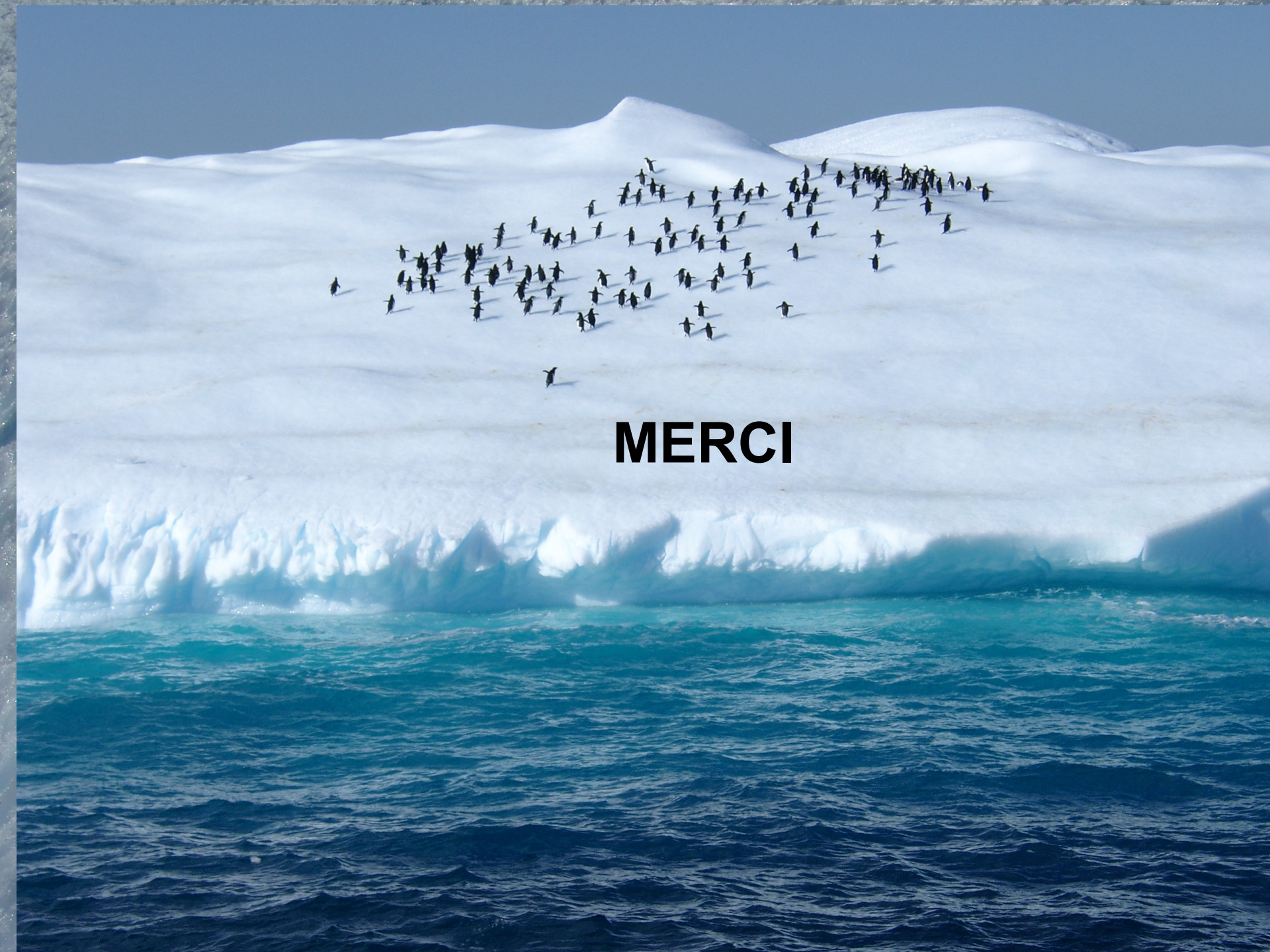


Ce que confirment les réseaux de balises GLACIOCLIM établis en 2006



Et les analyses du CEP





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