

Title: README for gas-phase NH₃ data

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1.0 Data Set Description

Final data for gas-phase ammonia (NH₃) measurements collected aboard the University of Wyoming King Air aircraft during phase 1 and phase 2 of the TRANS²AM field campaign. NH₃ data status is final data - revision R0. Data are collected at 10 Hz and averaged to 1-Hz for reporting.

The base of operations for the UWKA aircraft during the TRANS²AM field campaign was Laramie Airport in Laramie, WY (KLAR). Phase 1 of the field intensive took place in July and August 2021. Phase 2 of the field intensive took place in August and September 2022.

Use of data require prior okay from data authors (please see list above).

2.0 Instrument Description

Gas-phase NH₃ measurements were collected *in-situ* using a commercial Aerodyne QC-TILDAS outfitted with a custom-built heated aircraft inlet that allows for injection of calibration gases at the inlet tip and an inertial inlet that provides separation of particles from the air sampling stream. The NH₃ instrument was operated in tandem with another QC-TILDAS for measuring nitric acid (HNO₃). The NH₃ and HNO₃ QC-TILDAS spectrometers shared a common aircraft inlet, inertial inlet, flow path, and pumping system. The NH₃ instrument was placed upstream of the HNO₃ instrument in the flow path. The instrument is calibrated with a known mixing ratio of NH₃ generated from a temperature-controlled permeation device. Calibrations are performed on the ground between

flights. The instrument is routinely zeroed on the ground and in flight by overblowing the inlet with a supply of ultrapure air. For more details, please see these references listed below.

3.0 Data Collection and Processing

NH₃ data are collected at 10 Hz and averaged to 1-Hz for reporting. NH₃ data are reported in units of ppbv (parts per billion by volume)

4.0 Data Format

1-Hz NH₃ data files are reported in ICARTT format. NH₃ data are reported on the UWKA time base. Missing data due to in-flight zeros and laser position calibrations are flagged as -9999.

5.0 Data Remarks

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6.0 References

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