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The climate reference network

M10 GPD, overview of organization and progress, correction and uncertainty, strategy of validation and results

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- 1. Introduction** (JC. Dupont, IPSL)
- 2. Correction and uncertainty strategy** (D. Vignelles, MODEM)
- 3. Data flow** (JC. Dupont, IPSL)
- 4. Validations of the results** (S. Evan, LaCy)

Who : which organization for the GRUAN GDP M10

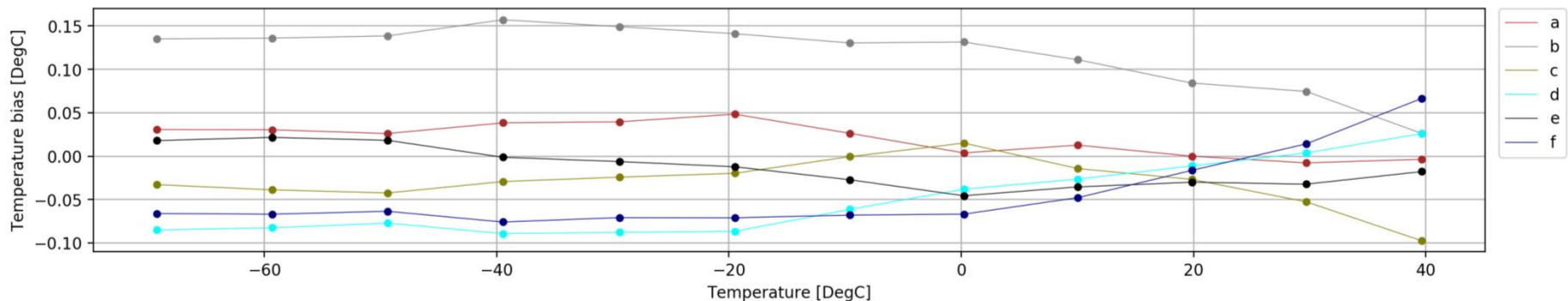
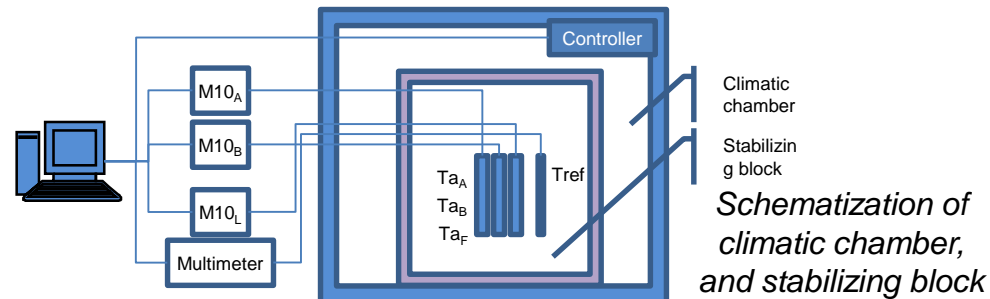
1. **IPSL** (JC. Dupont, M. Haeffelin, MA. Drouin) : leader of the project, scientific relationship with GRUAN, algorithm development for M10 L1 and GDP + SIRTa site instruments
2. **Météo-France** (F. Marin, P. Jann) : Operational aspect for radiosondes at TRP and REU sites
3. **AERIS/ESPRI** (S. Cloché, C. Laplace) : data flow at AERIS Data Center
4. **MODEM** (D. Vignelles) : correction and uncertainty for M10 RS
5. **LACy** (S. Evan) : M10 GDP validation and Maïdo site instruments

Status of the GRUAN certification for M10 RS in TRP and REU site : a work in progress and almost finished

1. Technical Document (last TD-8), version 1 submitted on september 2020 (241 pages). **OK**
2. Scientific document to describe M10 radiosonde / manual and automatic :
OK, Dupont et al., 2020 (DOI: 10.1175/JTECH-D-18-0205.1) and
Madonna et al. 2020 (<https://doi.org/10.5194/amt-13-3621-2020>).
3. One operationnal site (twice a day for TRP & REU): **OK**
4. Dataflow and datacenter: **OK** (<https://www.gruan.org/data/measurements/sonde-launches>) and AERIS datacenter
5. An established dataset for each site / sonde : **OK**, 20 months for TRP site et 14 months for REU site
6. Review of certification document by GRUAN WG : **review in progress**

Temperature Calibration tests

- Calibration tests made @LMD/Ecole polytechnique
- Measurements made from +40 -> -70°C per 10°C steps
 - Reference PT100 calibrated $u_{\text{ref}} = 0.09 \text{ K } k=2$
 - Taking into account : linearity, repeatability, reproducibility, resolution, ref repeatability, ref resolution
 - **Result : 0.228 K (k=2)**



Example of mean results for 6 radiosondes, mean on 3 hours of stabilization per steps, taking account 4 steps (2 descents and ascents)

Correction and uncertainty strategy (2/8)

More details in M10 TD Temperature calibration uncertainties

Following the methodology from Duvernoy et al. 2015 WMO Report n°119

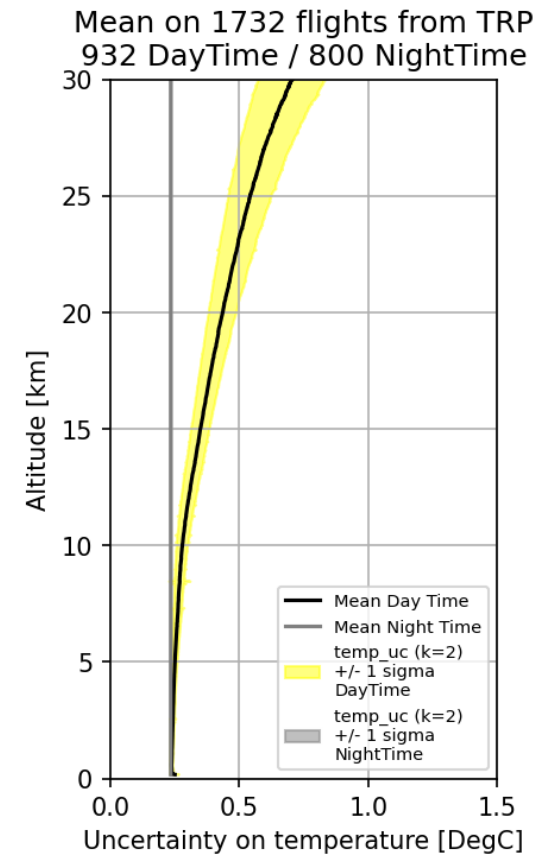
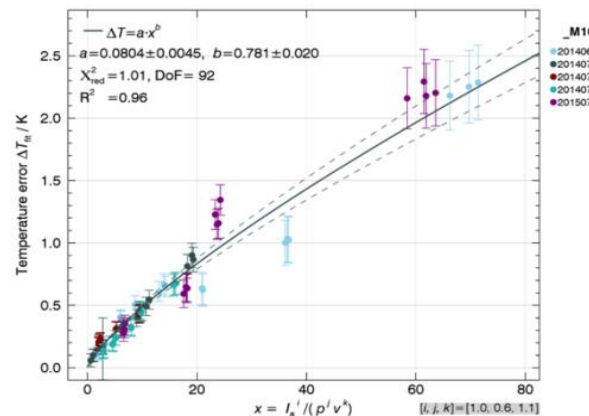
More information in the M10 technical Document (in review)

Parameter	Name	Description	Standard uncertainty [°C] k=1	Type	Data field in product
$u(T_{a-lin})$	Uncertainty of temp_raw linearity	Maximum bias from reference	$0.160/v(3)$	B	-
$u(T_{a-repe})$	Uncertainty of temp_raw repeatability	Standard deviation of mean stabilized values	0.015	B	-
$u(T_{a-repro})$	Uncertainty of temp_raw reproducibility	Maximum standard deviation along all stabilized values	$0.082/v(3)$	B	-
$u(T_{a-reso})$	Uncertainty of temp_raw resolution	Minimum difference between two indications	$0.040/v(12)$	B	-
$u(T_{ref-cal})$	Uncertainty of Tref calibration	Calibration certificate including the PT100 and the acquisition system	0.045	A	-
$u(T_{ref-repe})$	Uncertainty of Tref repeatability	Standard deviation of mean stabilized values	0.005	B	-
$u(T_{ref-reso})$	Uncertainty of Tref resolution	Minimum difference between two indications	$<0.001/v(12)$	B	-
$u(T_{a-cal})$	Uncertainty of Ta_raw calibration	Composition of $u(T_{a-lin})$, $u(T_{a-repe})$, $u(T_{a-repro})$, $u(T_{a-reso})$, $u(T_{ref-cal})$, $u(T_{ref-repe})$, $u(T_{ref-reso})$	0.114	B	temp_cal_uc

Table 4-1: Overview of the uncertainty budget of temp_raw calibration

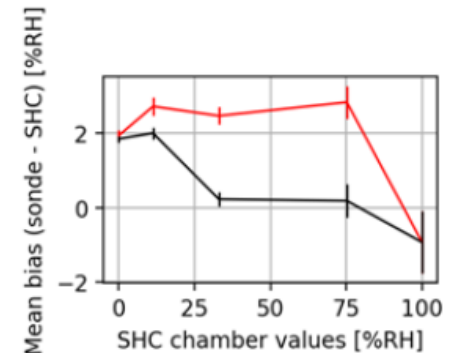
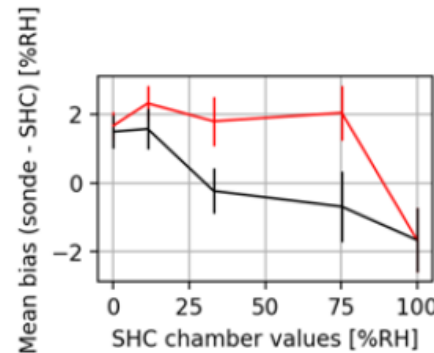
Temperature correction and uncertainty related

- **Calibration uncertainty** : 0.228K (k=2)
- **Radiative correction**
 - Using pvlib for the solar position (Reda and Andreas, 2008)
 - Using solar radiation equation (OD 0.8, albedo 0.2%)
 - Solar irradiance correction factor determined @ Lindenber 2014 (former set up) function of the solar irradiance, pressure and vertical speed
 - Uncertainty derived from the uncertainty of the regression terms
- **ARL correction**
 - Interpolation of the first ten seconds of measurement with the Météo France ground measurement



Mean temperature uncertainty
Period : March 2018 -> October 2020
From Trappes Palaiseau - Paris FR

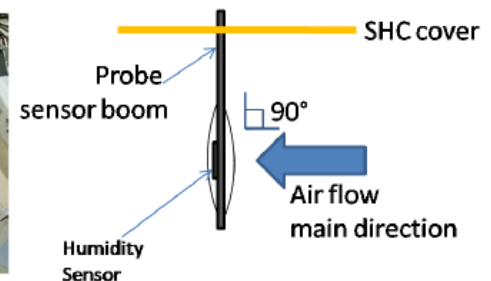
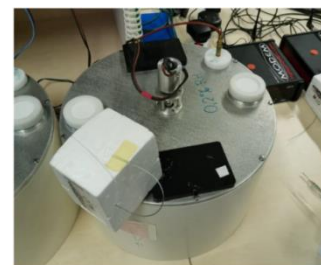
Relative humidity calibration tests



Left, differences between mean 10 raw sonde indications and SHC saturated salt indications

Right, differences between mean 5 times the same sonde indications and SHC saturated salt indications

- Calibration tests made @ Lindenberg
 - Repeatability and reproducibility tested
 - Using 10 different sondes
 - Using 5 times the same sonde
 - Different orientations in the SHC give different results ($\sim \pm 0.5$ %RH) reason ?
 - **Results** : calibration uncertainty = **2.42 %RH** ($k=2$)



Position and air flow direction chosen for the tests

More details in M10 TD RH calibration uncertainties

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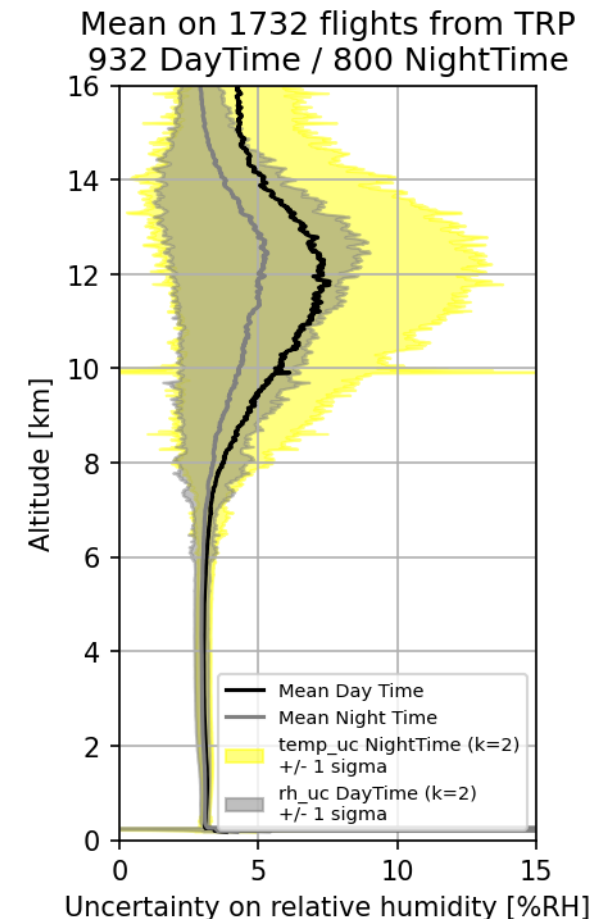
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Parameter	Name	Description	Standard uncertainty [%RH] k=1	Type	Data field in product
$u(rh_{repro})$	Uncertainty of rh_{raw} reproducibility	Maximum standard deviation between results	0.60	B	-
$u(rh_{repe})$	Uncertainty of rh_{raw} repeatability	Standard deviation of mean stabilized values	0.10	B	-
$u(rh_{reso})$	Uncertainty of rh_{raw} resolution	Minimum difference between two indications	$0.01/\sqrt{12}$	B	-
$u(rh_{hyst})$	Uncertainty of rh_{raw} hysteresis	Mean hysteresis effect	1.00	B	-
$u(rh_{sensor_orie})$	Uncertainty of rh_{raw} sensor orientation	Maximum difference between position	$0.5/\sqrt{3}$	B	-
$u(rh_{cal})$	Uncertainty of rh_{raw} calibration	Composition of $u(rh_{repro})$, $u(rh_{repe})$, $u(rh_{reso})$, $u(rh_{hyst})$, $u(rh_{sensor_orien})$	1.21	B	rh_{cal_uc}

Table 4-4: Overview of the uncertainty budget of rh_{raw} calibration

Relative humidity corrections and related uncertainties

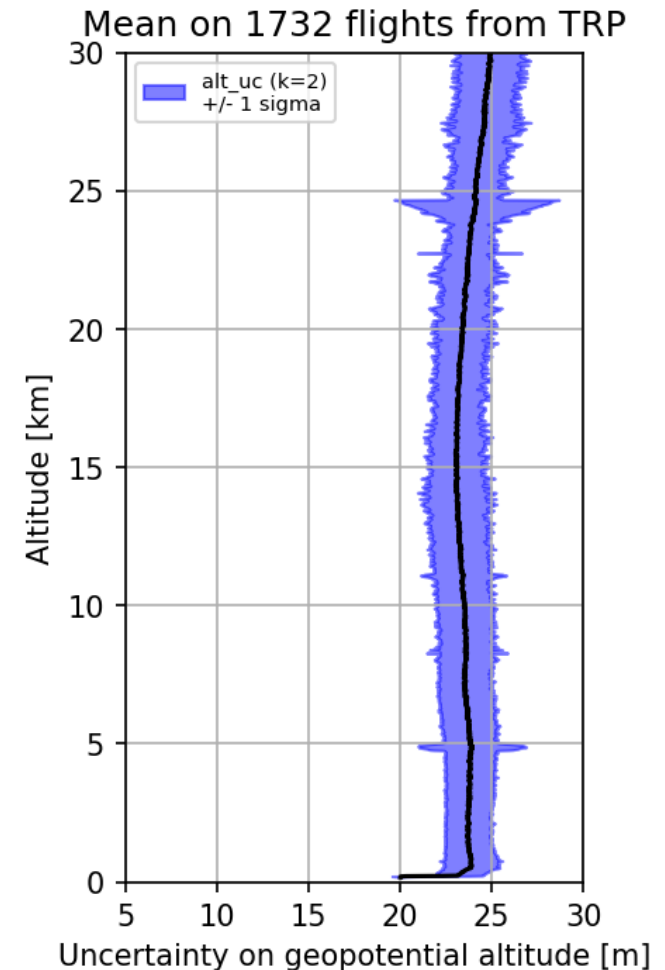
- **Slow regime correction**
 - Correction of a hysteresis-like effect, or memory effect
 - Uncertainty derived from Dupont et al. 2020 = **1.06 %RH** (k=2)
- **Temperature dependence**
 - Correction of relative humidity indication, taking into account temperature difference between the sensor and air
 - Uncertainty derived from Hyland and Wexler 1983 equations, using combined standard uncertainty (eq. 10 JCGM 100:2008, or eq. 2 Immler et al. 2010)
 - Function (thum, thum_uc, temp, temp_uc)
 - Day time from 2 to 4 %RH at tropopause / night time
- **Time-lag correction**
 - Correction of the time-lag as a function to temperature
 - Uncertainty derived from Dupont et al. 2020 which show a +/- 15% error on the determination of time-lag constant, and applying Dirksen et al. 2014 methodology
- **ARL correction**
 - Correction of the relative humidity indication, taking into account the air temperature corrected by the effect of the ARL
 - Uncertainty to be determined



Mean RH uncertainty
Period : March 2018 -> October 2020
From Trappes Palaiseau - Paris FR
Tropopause ~ 11.6 +/- 1.4 (k=1) km

Altitude corrections and uncertainties

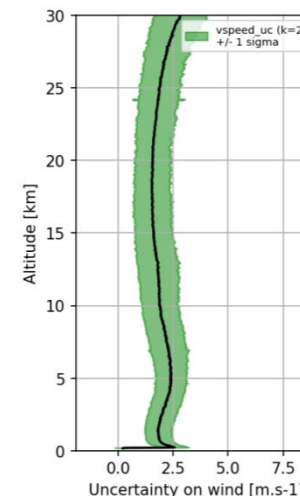
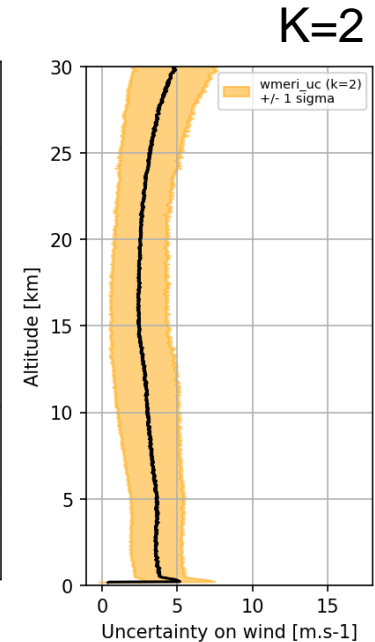
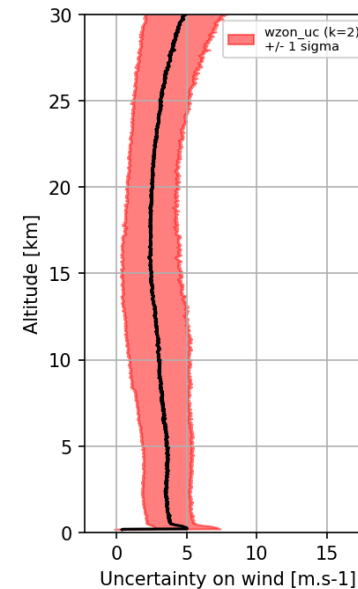
- From geometric altitude to geopotential altitude
 - Using equation from GPS manufacturer (function of std gravity and gravity as a function of latitude, Earth radius, geometric altitude)
 - Uncertainty took into account : Manufacturer uncertainty (20 m $k=2$ without SBAS), repeatability in simulator, and noise estimation
- ARL correction
 - Interpolation of altitude for the first ten seconds after the release, with respect to ground altitude
 - Due to the shadowing effect of the ARL conception (maritime container)



*Mean Altitude uncertainty
Period : March 2018 -> October 2020
From Trappes Paris FR*

Zonal, meridional, and vertical winds correction and uncertainties

- Zonal and meridional winds :
 - Pendulum motion using Dirksen et al. 2014 method, gaussian kernel of 11 s length
 - Uncertainty taking into account manufacturer uncertainty (0.2m without SBAS), pendulum motion smoothing uncertainty (Dirksen et al. 2014)
- Vertical wind :
 - Uncertainty taking into account manufacturer uncertainty (20m without SBAS), pendulum motion smoothing uncertainty (Dirksen et al. 2014)



*Mean wind
components
uncertainty*

*Period : March 2018 ->
October 2020
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Main features of the GRUAN M10 data processing and data access

The different processing levels of the radiosonde data:

- Level 0 data: original raw data (4 ascii files and 1 proprietary binary file)
- Level 1 data: Preprocessed raw data, converted into netcdf file, no change in the data, the 4 ascii files formatted into one netcdf file (according to GRUAN Lead Center recommendations).
- Level 2 data: GRUAN data product are obtained from the level1 data which are processed, improved and flagged, based on Dupont et al. 2019 and on Meteomodem expertise, netcdf file.

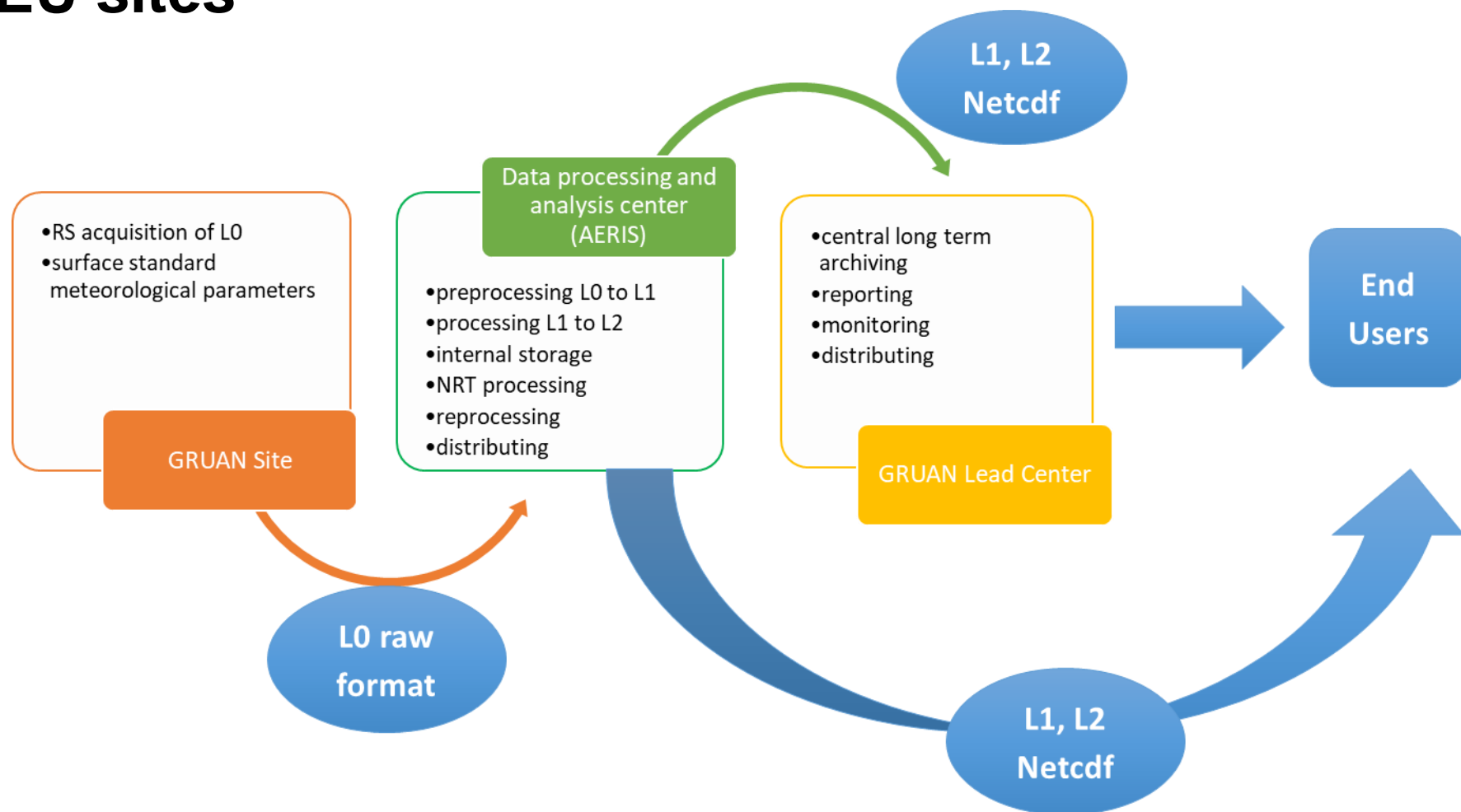
Distributed data: L1, L2

Format of distribution: Netcdf

Data center for the processing : **AERIS**, the French atmospheric data center

Distributor: GRUAN and AERIS

Overview of the GRUAN M10 data flow for TRP and REU sites



CFH/M10/LIDAR measurements at Maïdo observatory

Nov 2014
Start of GRUAN
related activities
Training on CFH

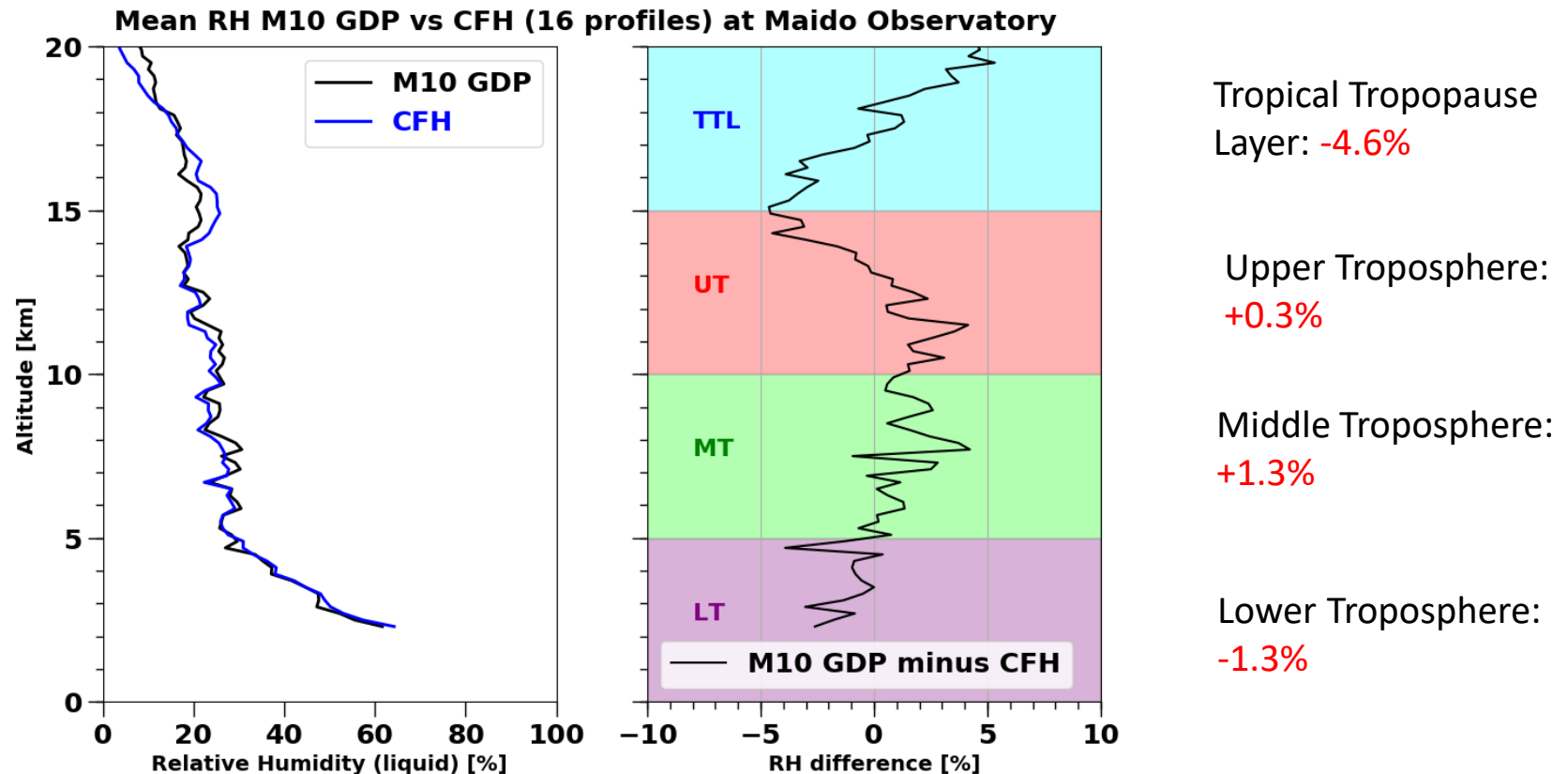
2016
CFH/COBALD/POPS
TNA ACTRIS NOAA/CSD

2012
Opening of
Maïdo
Observatory
(2km ASL)

2015 May
MORGANE
RS92/RS41/M10
CFH/COBALD
LIDARS
TNA ACTRIS DWD

2019 Jan-Feb
CONCIRTO
RS92/RS41/M10
CFH/COBALD/
Ozone ECC
LIDARS/RADAR
ANR, LACy, DWD,
ETHZ, U. Leeds

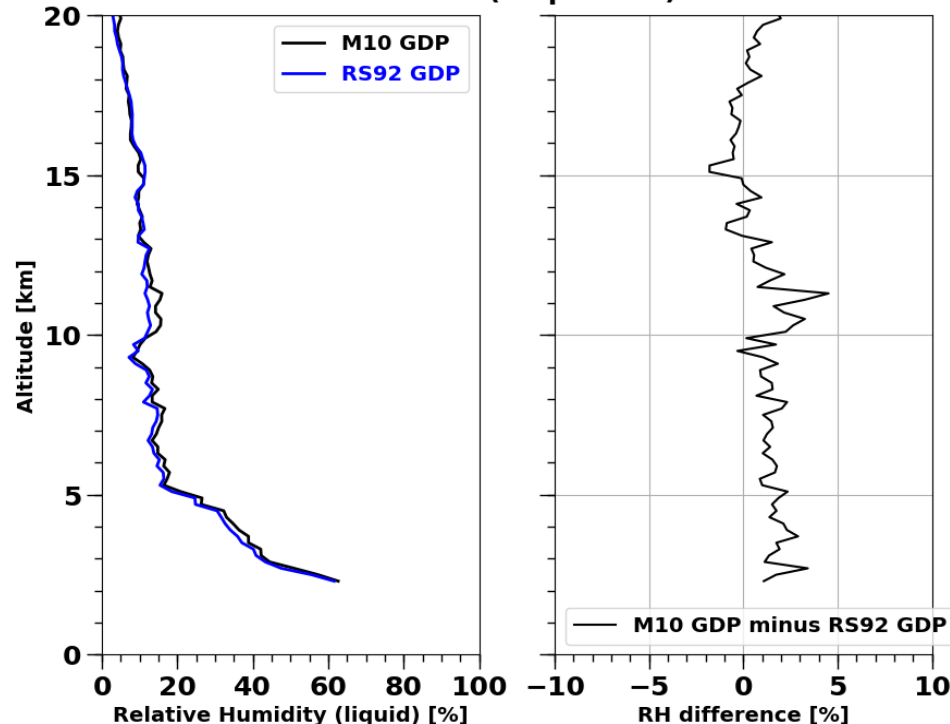
M10 GDP versus CFH radiosonde comparisons at Maïdo observatory (2014-2019)



Vertical profiles of mean RH obtained from 16 multiple-payload sounding of CFH&M10 radiosondes. The mean profile of differences in RH is shown on the right panel.

M10 GDP versus RS92 GDP during the MORGANE campaign (May 2015): Relative Humidity

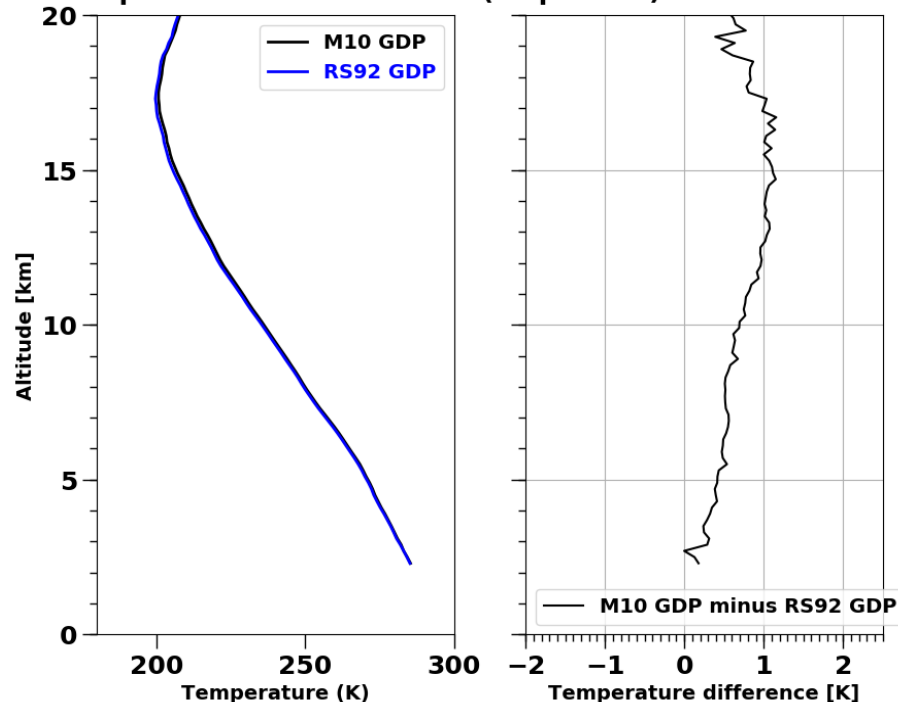
Mean RH M10 GDP vs RS92 GDP (14 profiles) at Mado Observatory



Vertical profiles of mean RH obtained from 14 multiple-payload sounding of M10&RS92 radiosondes (blue and black curves respectively on the left panel) at the Maïdo Observatory during the MORGANE campaign in May 2015. The mean profile of differences in RH is shown on the right panel.

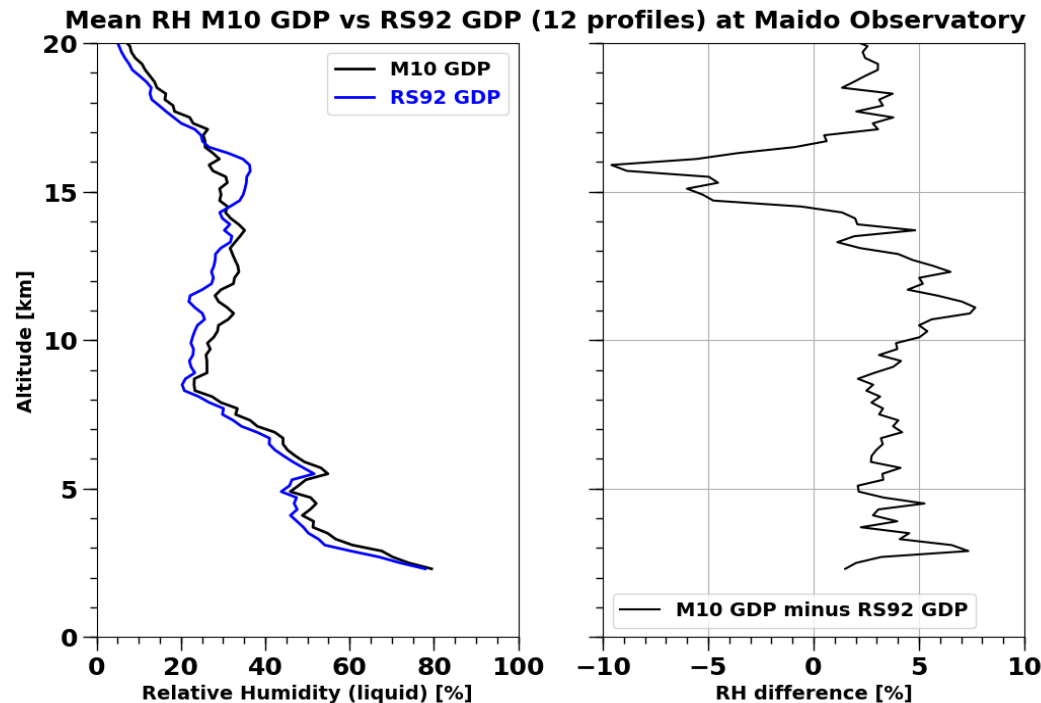
M10 GDP versus RS92 GDP during the MORGANE campaign (May 2015): Temperature

Mean Temp M10 GDP vs RS92 GDP (14 profiles) at Maïdo Observatory



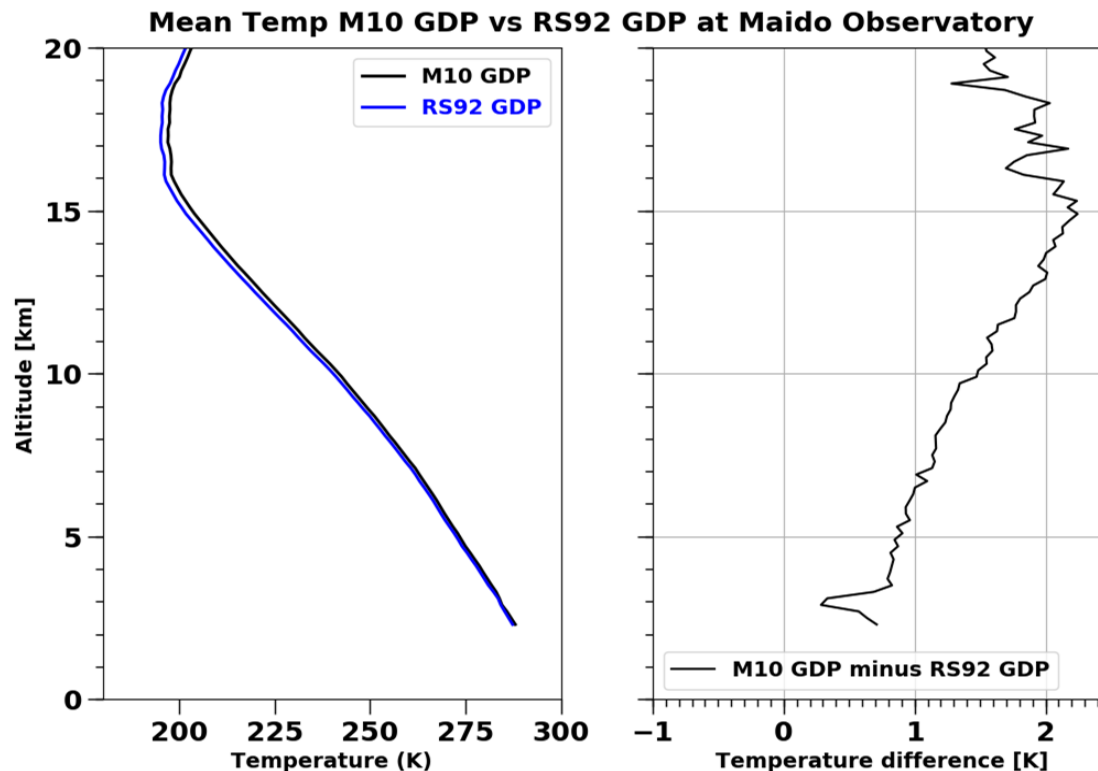
Vertical profiles of mean Temperature obtained from 14 multiple-payload sounding of M10&RS92 radiosondes (blue and black curves respectively on the left panel) at the Maïdo Observatory during the MORGANE campaign in May 2015. The mean profile of differences in temperature is shown on the right panel.

M10 GDP versus RS92 GDP during the CONCIERTO campaign (Jan-Feb 2019): Relative Humidity



Vertical profiles of mean RH obtained from 12 multiple-payload sounding of M10&RS92 radiosondes (blue and black curves respectively on the left panel) at the Maïdo Observatory during the CONCIERTO campaign in January 2019. The mean profile of differences in RH is shown on the right panel.

M10 GDP versus RS92 GDP during the CONCIERTO campaign (Jan-Feb 2019): Temperature



Vertical profiles of mean Temperature obtained from 12 multiple-payload sounding of M10&RS92 radiosondes (blue and black curves respectively on the left panel) at the Maïdo Observatory during the CONCIERTO campaign in January 2019. The mean profile of differences in temperature is shown on the right panel.

M10 GDP versus RS92 GDP versus CFH

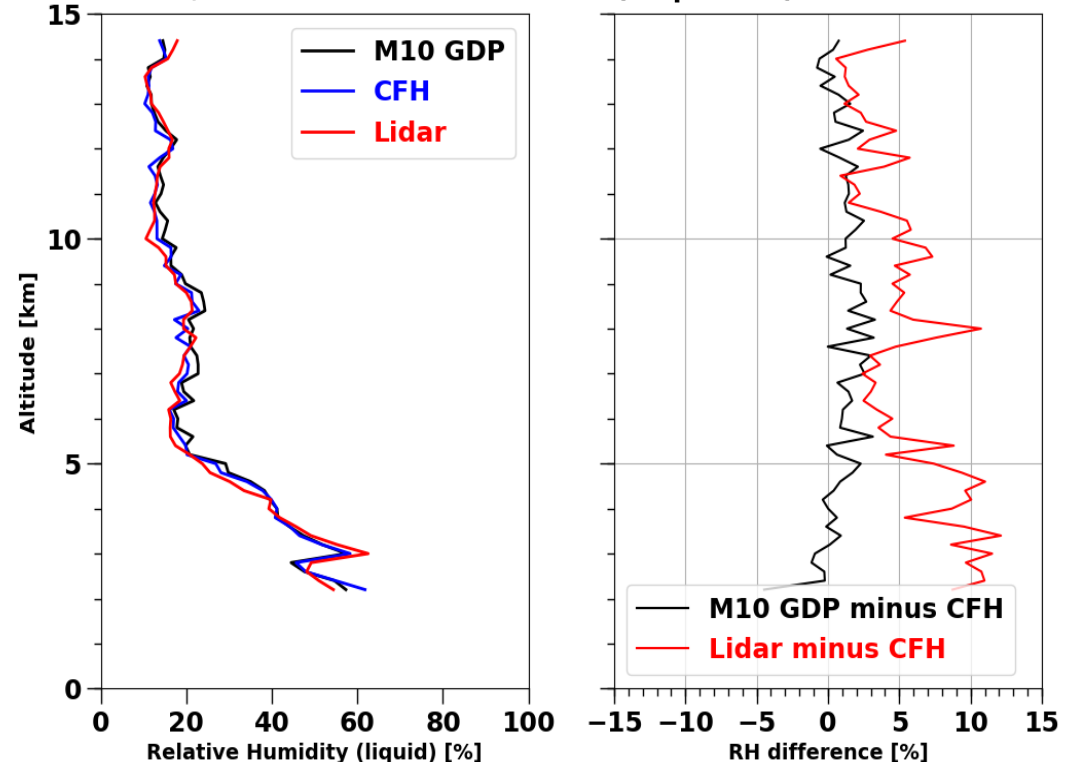
MORGANE	LT (0-5km)	MT (5-10km)	UT (10-15km)	TTL (15-20km)
M10 GDP RH(%)	40.5	14.3	12.2	6.9
RS92 GDP RH(%)	38.6	13.0	11.1	6.9
M10 GDP T(K)	278.4	253.8	220.0	203.4
RS92 GDP T(K)	278.1	253.3	219.1	202.5
CONCIRTO	LT (0-5km)	MT (5-10km)	UT (10-15km)	TTL (15-20km)
M10 GDP RH(%)	58.2	36.1	31.3	20.2
RS92 GDP RH(%)	54.4	32.9	27.7	20.3
M10 GDP T(K)	281.1	258.5	222.0	199.1
RS92 GDP T(K)	280.4	257.4	220.2	197.2

M10 GDP versus Raman lidar comparisons

The Lidar RH profiles were computed with the Lidar water vapor mixing ratio and the Internet iMet-1-RSB temperature using the water vapor pressure equation by Hyland and Wexler (1983).

LIDAR water vapor data are calibrated using GNSS Integrated Water Vapor (Verrès et al., 2019)

Mean RH M10/M10 GRUAN vs CFH vs Lidar (10 profiles) at Mado Observatory



Differences between the M10 GDP RH and Lidar RH compared to CFH RH:

- Lower troposphere (<5km altitude): 1% and 9.7%
- Mid-troposphere (between 5 and 10km): 5% and 1.6%
- Upper troposphere (between 10-13km): 3.1 and 1.3%

Question ?

Thanks for your attention

