



# SENS4ICE

SENSORS AND CERTIFIABLE HYBRID ARCHITECTURES  
FOR SAFER AVIATION IN ICING ENVIRONMENT

## SENS4ICE EU PROJECT

# ICING DETECTION TECHNOLOGIES EVALUATION

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# SENS4ICE Project Overview

## SENSors and certifiable hybrid architectures for safer aviation in ICing Environment

💧 JAN 2019 - DEC 2023 (extended, originally DEC 2022)

💧 17 Consortium partners including coordinator DLR

💧 Budget:

- 💧 total estimated eligible costs 8.7 M EUR
- 💧 max. EU contribution 6.6 M EUR
- 💧 project effort in person-months approx. 800 PM

💧 <https://www.sens4ice-project.eu>

💧 [#sens4iceproject](#) on LinkedIn



National Research Council Canada

Conseil national de recherches Canada



# Aircraft Icing Phenomena

## Natural Ice Shapes



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Credit: **BFU**, Interim Report BFU CX001-13

- ❖ hazardous effects on aircraft
  - ❖ performance
  - ❖ dynamic behavior and
  - ❖ controls
- ❖ adaptation of operational limits required



# SENS4ICE Goal/ Impact

## Problem

- 💧 Detect icing conditions
- 💧 Including SLD (supercooled large droplets) / App. O (CS-25 / 14 CFR Part 25) icing
- 💧 Detection very challenging

## Solution

- 💧 10 direct detection technologies
- 💧 Hybrid approach – fusion of input data: sensor(s) and indirect detection

## Benefits

- 💧 Operational benefits:
  - 💧 activate anti-/de-icing
  - 💧 avoid/ leave icing conditions
- 💧 Certification process benefits – flights in App. O/ SLD icing
  - 💧 safety risk due to severe and unknown aircraft icing
  - 💧 online evaluation of safety margins during flight tests/ certification flights



# SENS4ICE research facilities: Icing Wind Tunnels

💧 TU Braunschweig

💧 SLD capabilities available and enhanced during SENS4ICE

💧 Collins Aerospace

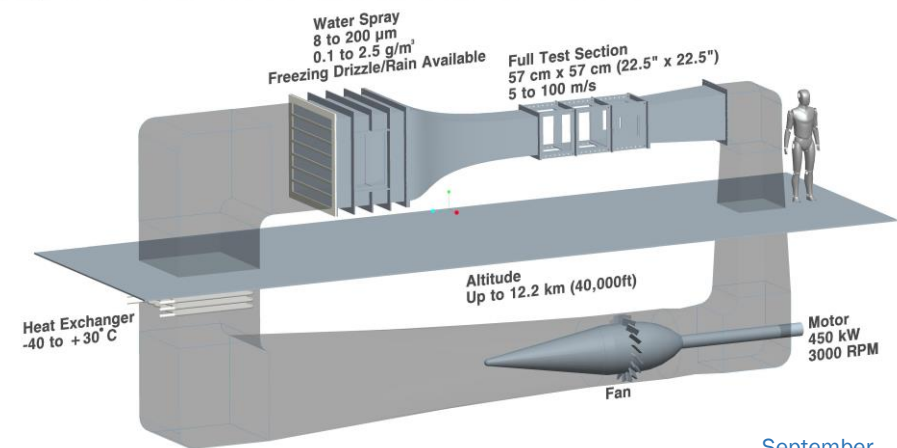
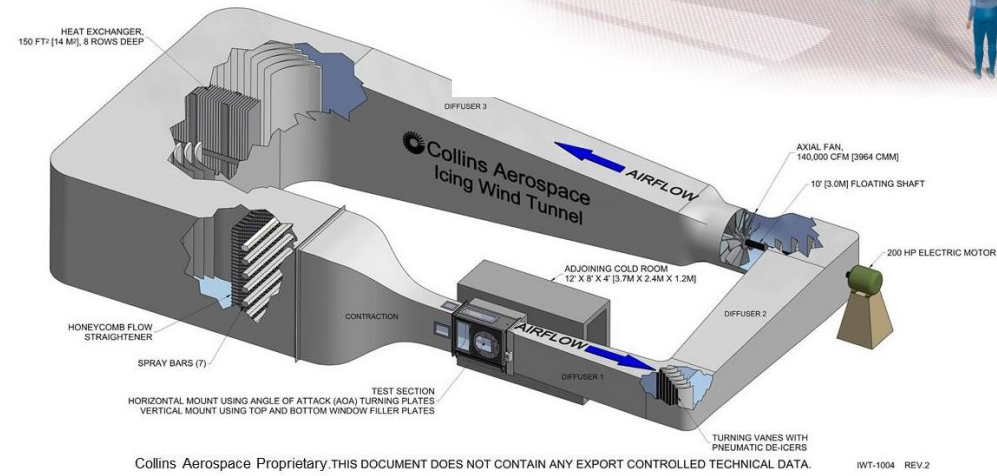
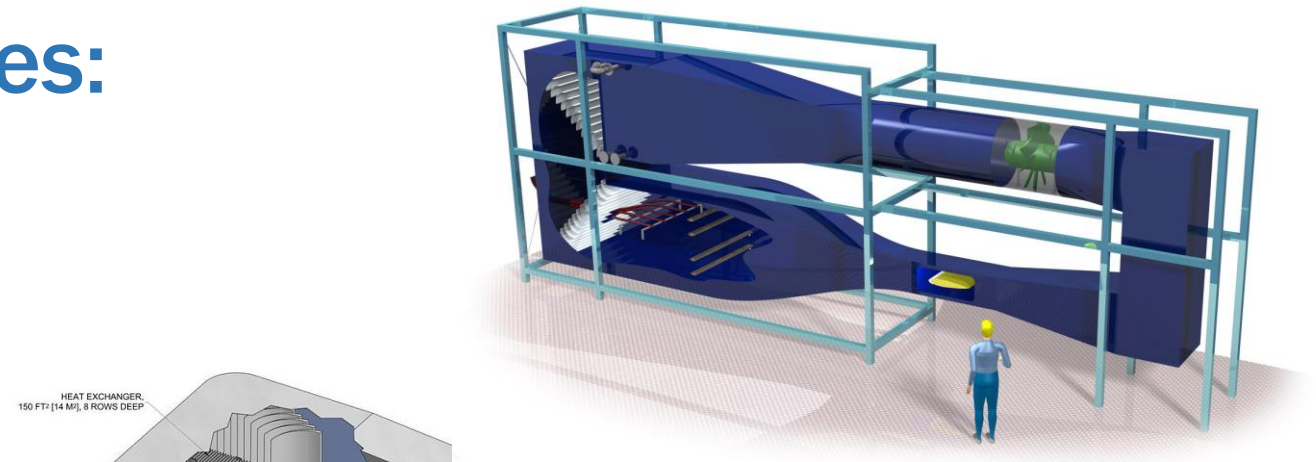
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💧 National Research Council Canada

💧 SLD capabilities available

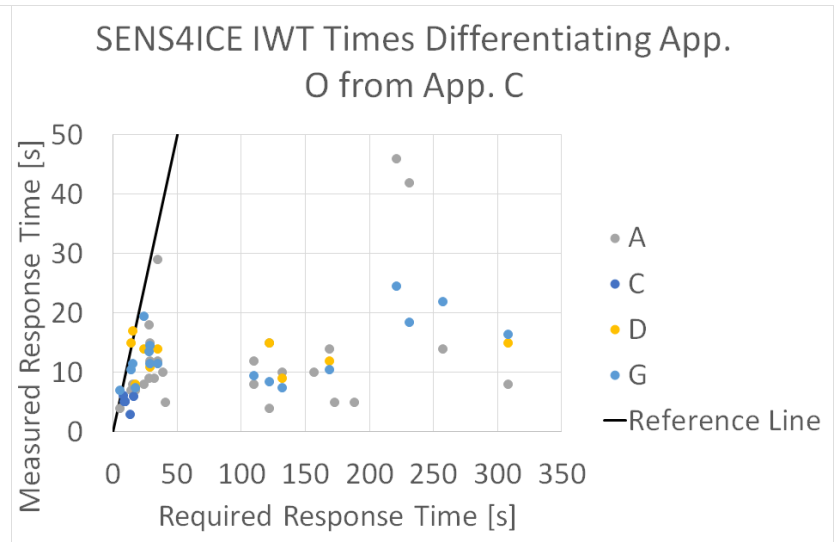
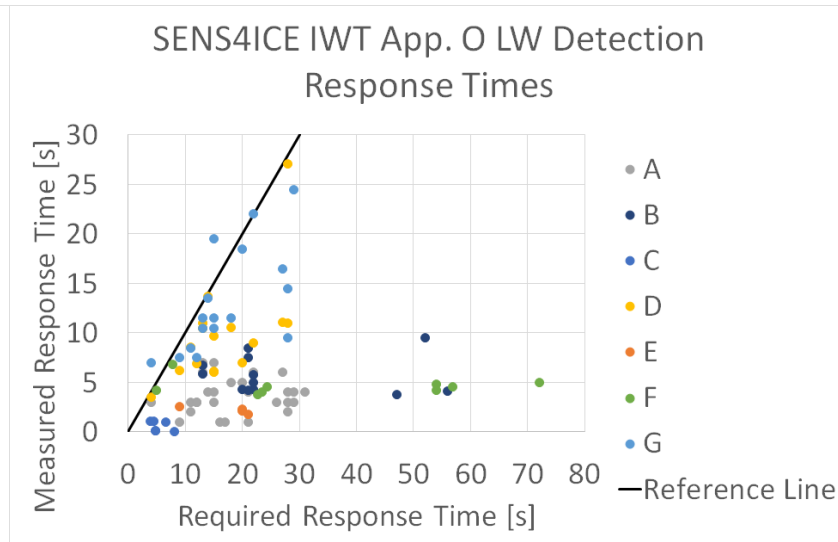
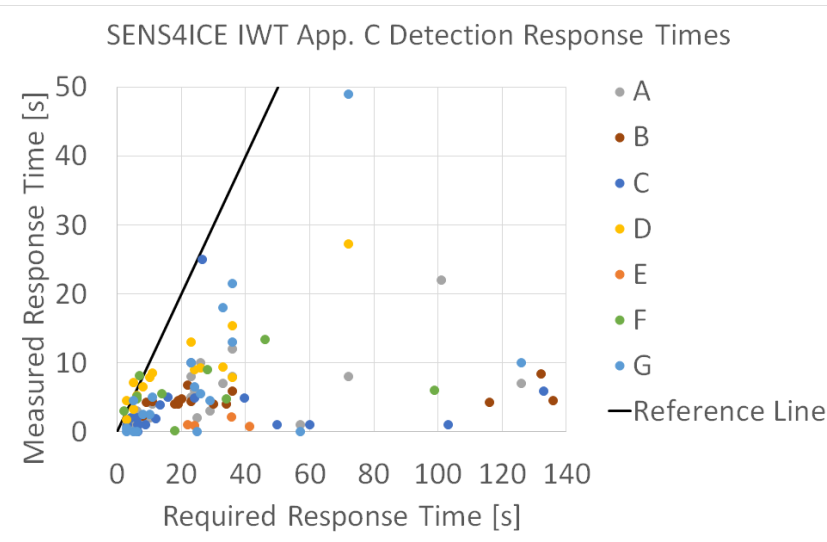
💧 Total testing time: 16 weeks

💧 Planned time frame: NOV 2020 – MAR 2021

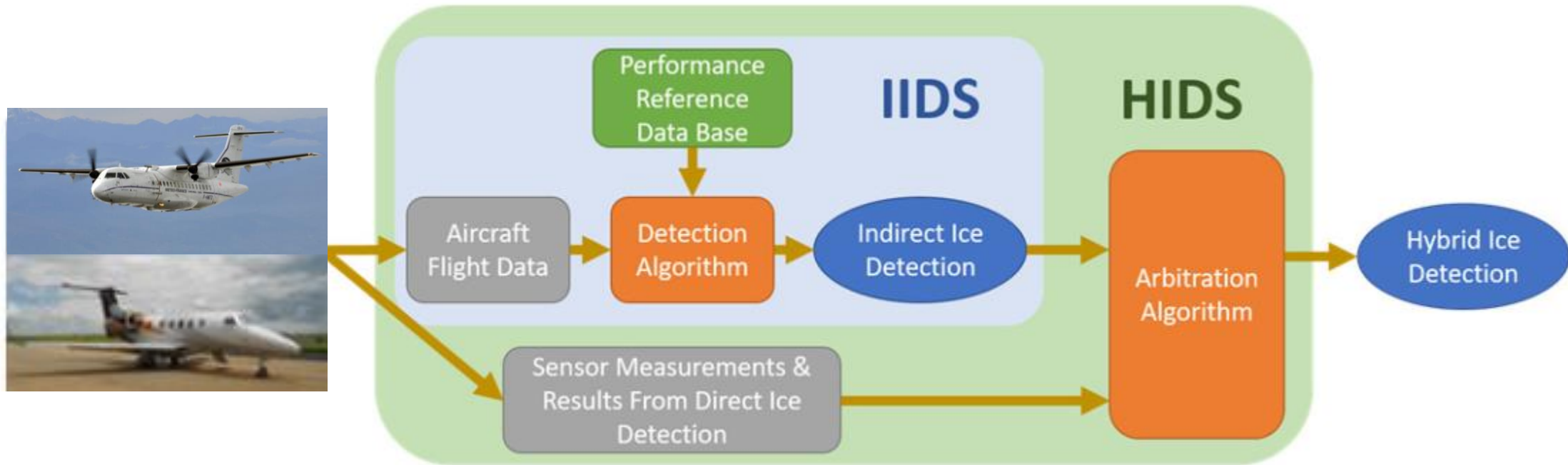


# SENS4ICE sensor technologies IWT measured sensor response times compared to required response times

- 💧 anonymised results
- 💧 required maximum response time as per EUROCAE inflight icing systems standard ED-103 (depending on icing condition)
- 💧 App. C test points liquid water (LW) detection
- 💧 App. O test points liquid water (LW) detection
- 💧 differentiating App. C conditions from App. O conditions (for sensors providing differentiation information)



# Hybrid Ice Detection System (HIDS) concept including Indirect Ice Detection System (IIDS)



[Orazzo, A., Thillays, B., “Hybrid Ice Detection System development and validation”, SAE International Conference on Icing of Aircraft, Engines, and Structures 2023, Vienna, Austria, 20 – 22 June 2023, 23ICE-0049]

[Christoph Deiler, Falk Sachs (2023) Design and Testing of an Indirect Ice Detection Methodology SAE International Conference on Icing of Aircraft, Engines, and Structures 2023, 20-22 June 2023, Vienna, Austria]

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# SENS4ICE Flight Campaigns

- 💧 Total flight test time: 75h in natural icing conditions
- 💧 North America
  - 💧 February/March 2023
  - 💧 Embraer Phenom 300 operated by Embraer
  - 💧 **15 flights** with a total of **25 flight hours** (including ferry and check flights) successfully conducted targeting natural liquid water icing conditions and in particular SLD conditions
- 💧 Europe
  - 💧 April 2023
  - 💧 French ATR 42 environmental research aircraft of Safire
  - 💧 **15 flights** with a total of **about 50 flight hours** successfully conducted targeting natural liquid water icing conditions and in particular SLD conditions

## Embraer Phenom 300



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## SAFIRE ATR 42



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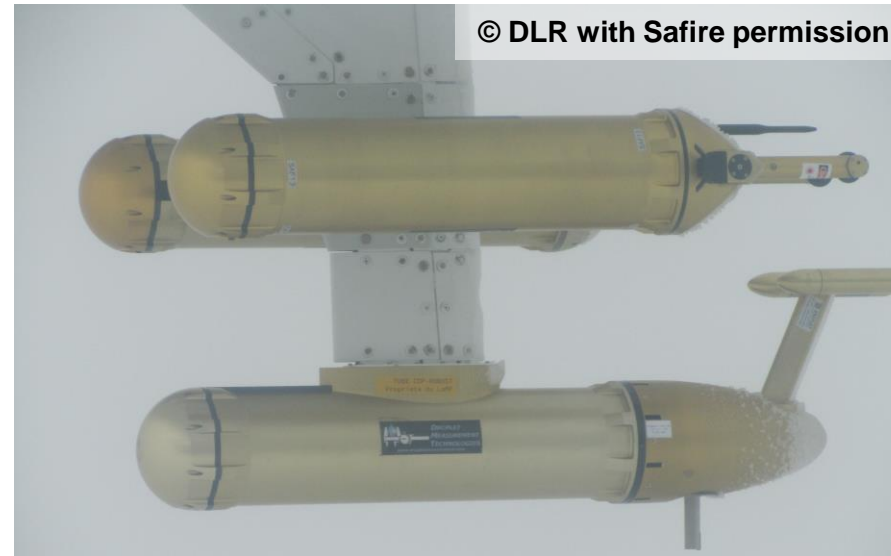


# SENS4ICE Airborne Reference Instruments for Icing Atmosphere Characterisation

Nevzorov Probe installed on SAFIRE ATR 42



DLR and SAFIRE instruments installed on SAFIRE ATR 42 with ice accretion on the unheated parts while inside supercooled liquid clouds



# European flight campaign SAFIRE ATR 42

## Sensor installations

SENS4ICE ice detection technologies tested with SAFIRE ATR 42

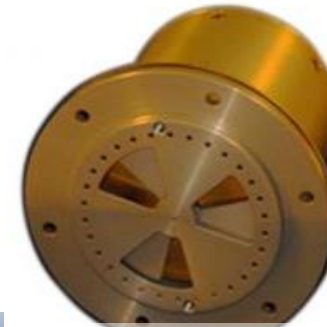
- FOD - Fiber Optic Detector (INTA)
- AMPERA - Atmospheric Measurement of Potential and Electric field on Aircraft (ONERA)
- LILD - Local Ice Layer Detector (DLR)
- CM2D - Cloud Multi-Detection Device (DLR)
- HIDS - Hybrid Ice Detection System (Safran)
- IIDS - Indirect Ice Detection System (DLR)



HIDS-Safran/  
IIDS-DLR

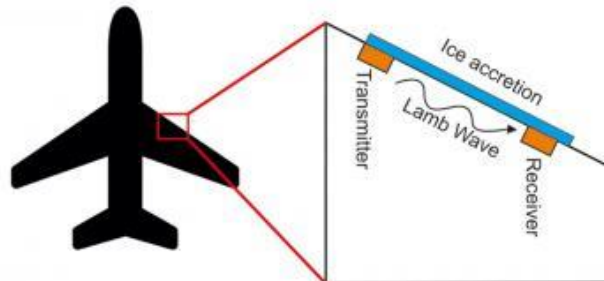


FOD-INTA

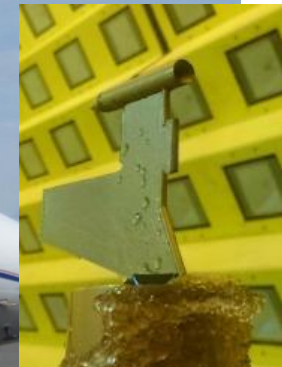


AMPERA-ONERA

SAFIRE ATR 42 with test sensors and reference instruments



LILD-DLR



CM2D-DLR

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# North America flight campaign Embraer Phenom 300

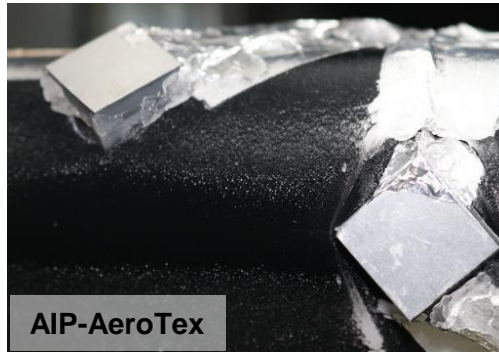
with sensors installed during the SENS4ICE flight test campaign in North America, February-March 2023

💧 SENS4ICE ice detection technologies tested with Embraer Phenom 300

- 💧 **AIP** - Atmospheric Icing Patch (AeroTex)
- 💧 **PFIDS** - Primary in-Flight Icing Detection System (Safran)
- 💧 **IDS** - Ice Detection System (Collins)
- 💧 **SRP** - Short Range Particulate (Honeywell)
- 💧 **HIDS** - Hybrid Ice Detection System (Safran)
- 💧 **IIDS** - Indirect Ice Detection System (DLR)



**HIDS-Safran/  
IIDS-DLR**



**AIP-AeroTex**



**IDS-Collins**



**PFIDS-Safran**



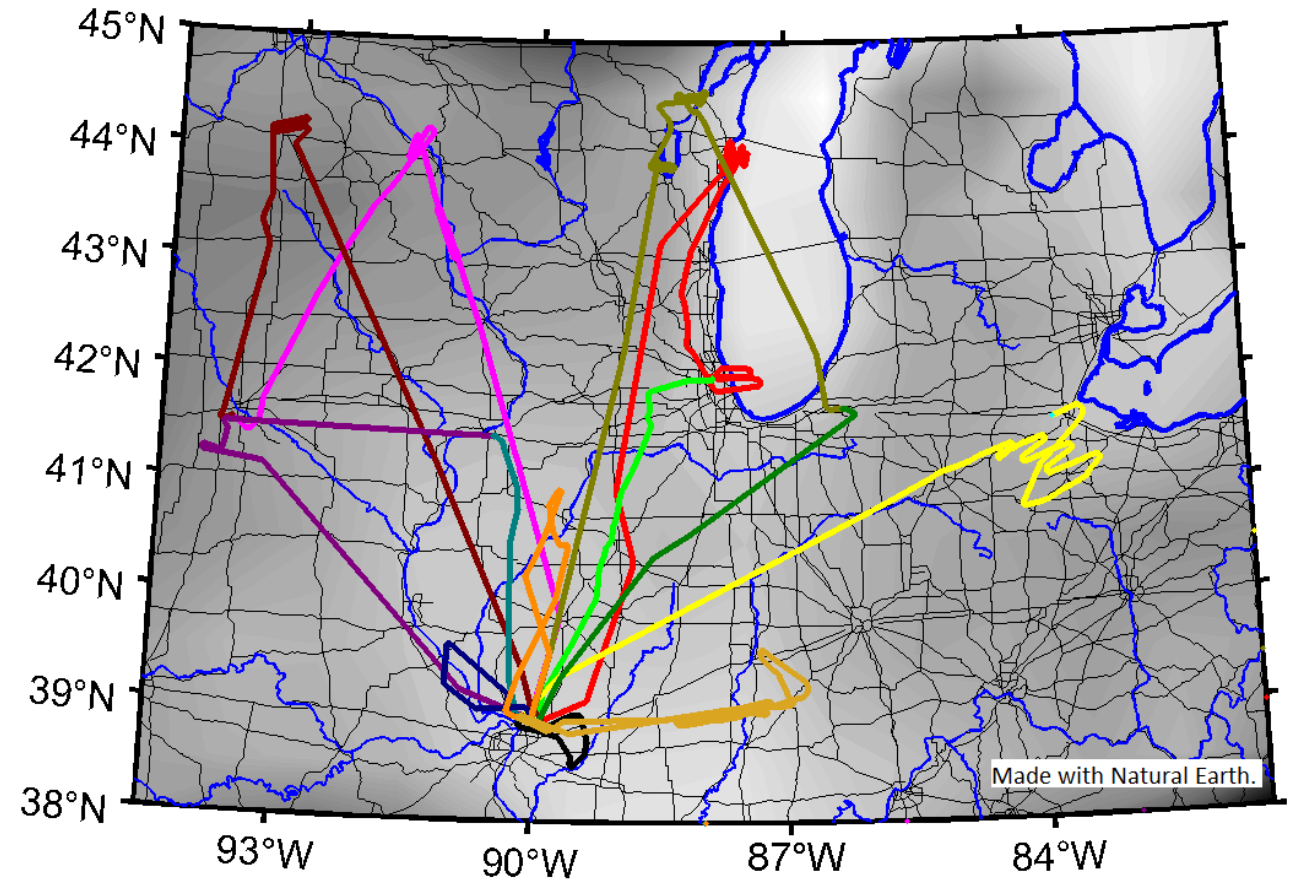
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# SENS4ICE Flight Campaign North America Ground Tracks

- ✈ Aircraft located in Alton, Illinois, along the border between Illinois and Missouri
- ✈ Operating in regions of flat terrain to the west and south of the Great Lakes



# SENS4ICE flight campaign North America

## Icing encounter statistics

Date	Flight ID	App. C encounters [-]	App. O encounters [-]	App. C duration [mm:ss]	App. O duration [mm:ss]
23 FEB 2023	F1475-1	20	5	20:18	09:03
23 FEB 2023	F1475-2	4	0	19:59	00:00
25 FEB 2023	F1476	20	7	38:47	22:24
01 MAR 2023	F1477-1	17	3	31:03	03:55
01 MAR 2023	F1477-2	9	8	14:30	07:31
06 MAR 2023	F1478	11	4	43:24	04:20
09 MAR 2023	F1481	11	3	15:51	02:46
10 MAR 2023	F1482	23	0	79:59	00:00

Microphysics data analysis DLR Institute of Atmospheric Physics



# SENS4ICE Flight Campaign North America

💧 Ice accreted on windshield after leaving clouds with supercooled liquid water

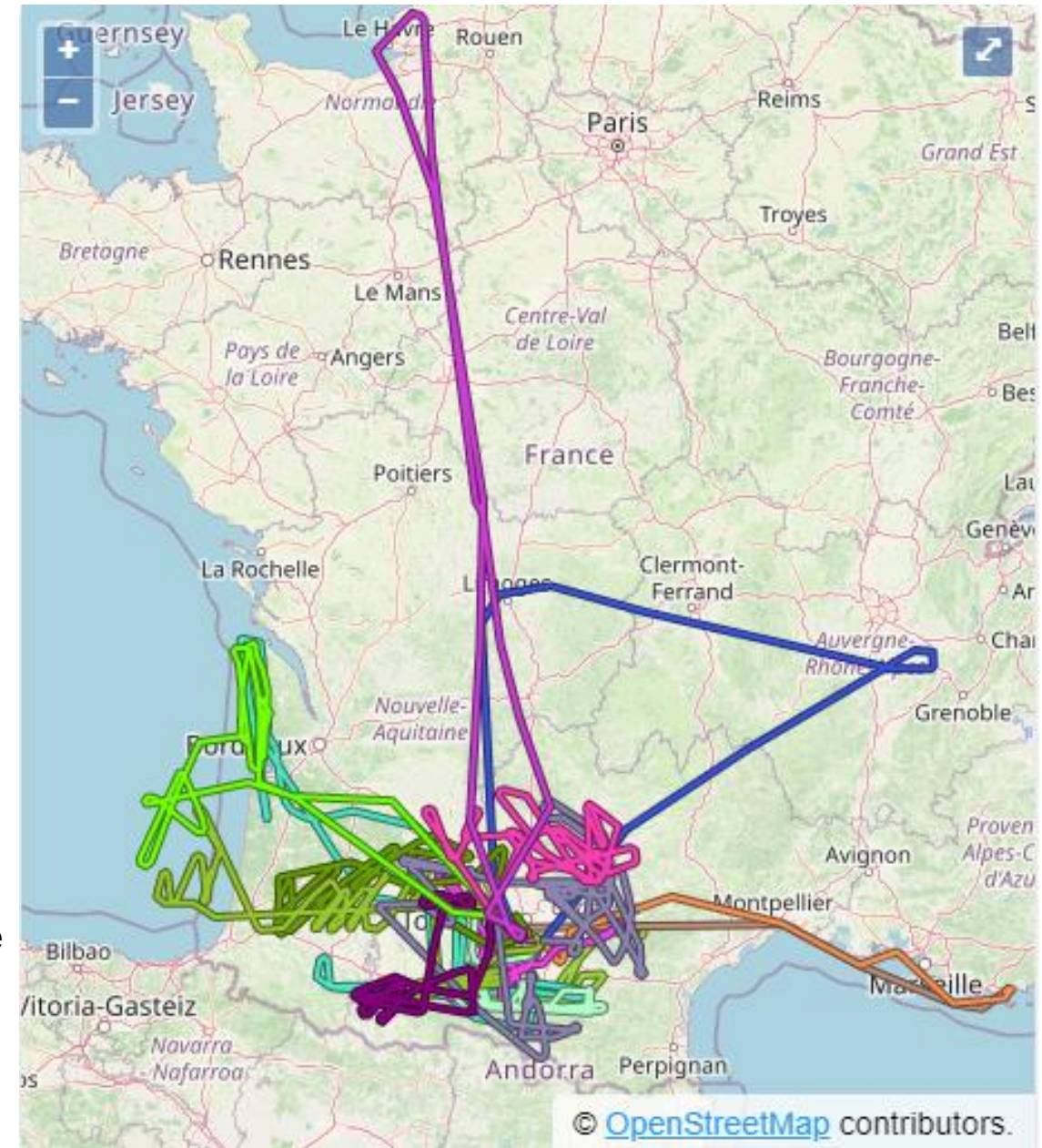


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# SENS4ICE Flight Campaign Europe Ground Tracks

- 🔹 April 2023
- 🔹 French ATR 42 environmental research aircraft of Safire
- 🔹 **15 flights** with a total of **about 50 flight hours** successfully conducted targeting natural liquid water icing conditions and in particular SLD conditions
- 🔹 Source: <https://safireplus.aeris-data.fr/data-access>
- 🔹 Airborne data was obtained using the aircraft managed by Safire, the French facility for airborne research, an infrastructure of the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS), Météo-France and the French National Center for Space Studies (CNES). Distributed data are processed by SAFIRE.
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# SENS4ICE flight campaign Europe Icing encounter statistics

Date	Flight ID	App. C duration [mm:ss]	App. O duration [mm:ss]
2023-04-03	1	90:13	01:26
2023-04-04	2	10:42	00:11
2023-04-04	3	12:14	01:39
2023-04-15	6	40:37	13:35
2023-04-18	7	72:01	00:00
2023-04-20	8	02:38	00:00
2023-04-22	9	34:07	00:00
2023-04-24	10	90:57	26:35
2023-04-25	11	90:14	19:31
2023-04-26	12	13:42	00:00
2023-04-26	13	52:20	04:53
2023-04-27	14	62:42	03:12
2023-04-27	15	42:09	07:31

Microphysics data analysis

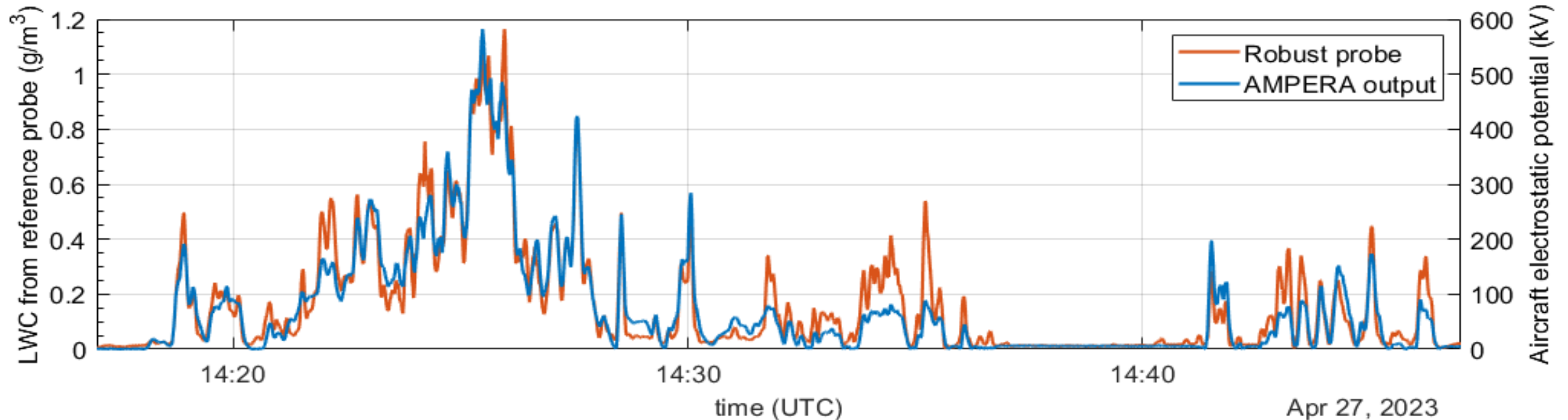
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# SENS4ICE Europe flight campaign AMPERA / ONERA

- 💧 LWC and Aircraft electrostatic potential comparison – strong correlation (upper figure)
- 💧 very robust measurement
- 💧 response time of about 1s (enter/exit clouds)
- 💧 [SAE 2023 23ICE-0108 Martins et al.]



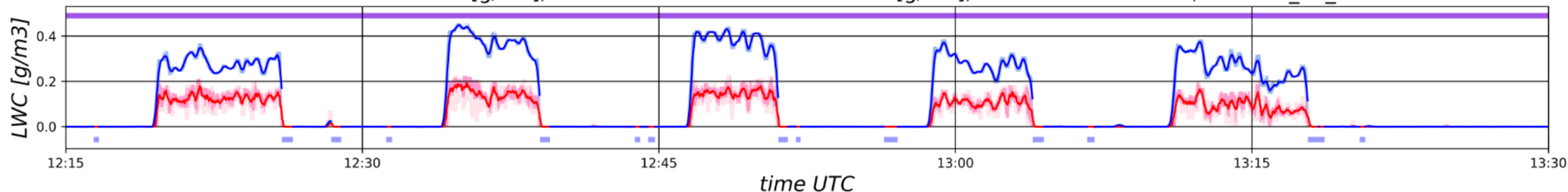
# SENS4ICE North America flight campaign

## SRP / Honeywell optical sensor data analysis

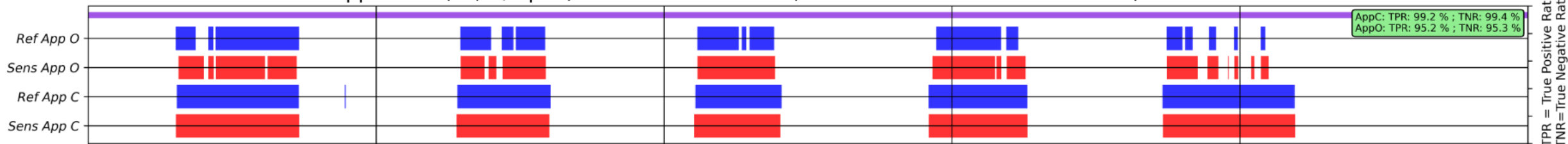
Flight 1476 [SAE 2023 23ICE-0105 Hamada] [Figure courtesy of Honeywell]

No collection efficiency / sensor non-linearities corrections not applied, better results expected

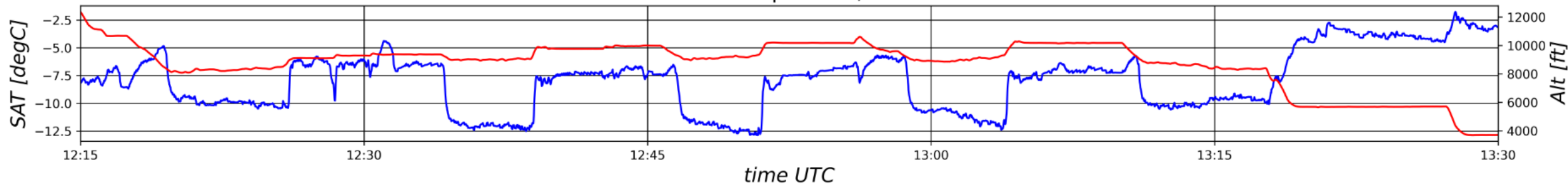
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Sensor Appendix C, O, D/P plot; Red: SRP sensor data; Blue: Reference instrument data; Violet: Airborne data

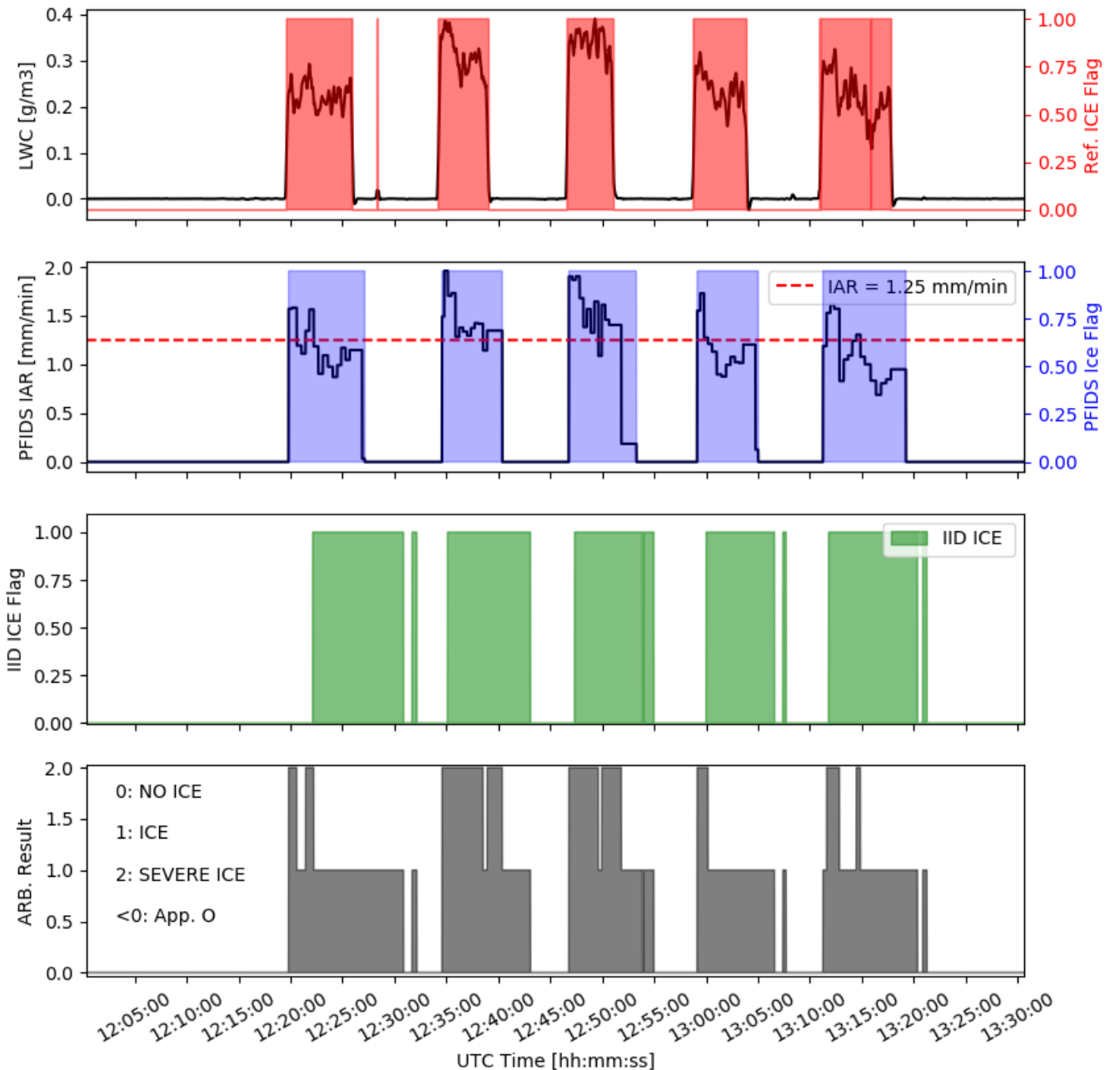


Blue color: Static air temperature; Red color: Altitude

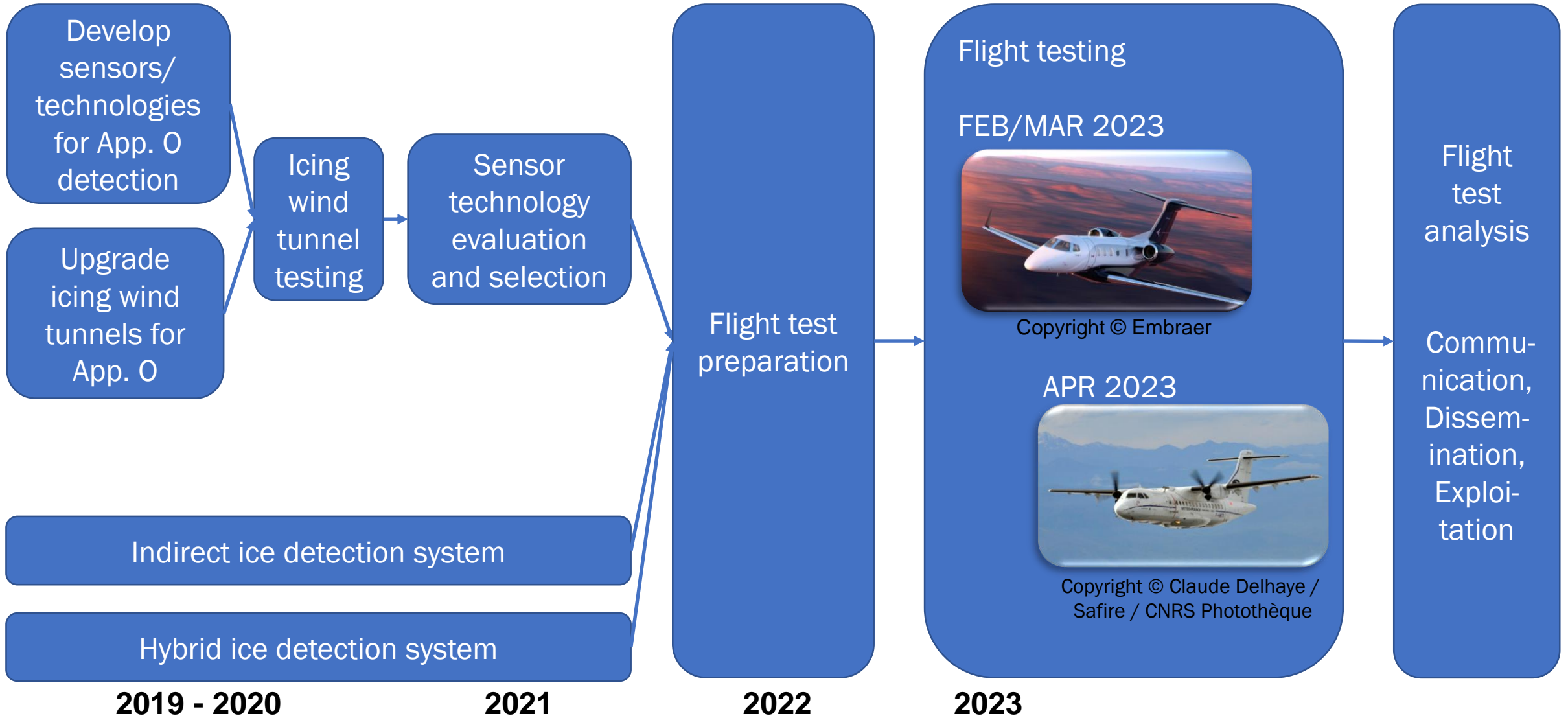


# SENS4ICE North America flight campaign HIDS with IIDS

- Flight 1476-1
- Figure 1: LWC (liquid water content) curve and microphysics reference ICE FLAG
- Figure 2: PFIDS (direct ice sensor) IAR (ice accretion rate) and ICE Flag
- Figure 3: IID (indirect ice detection) Validated ICE Flag (i.e. IID reliable and TAT < 5°C)
- Figure 4: HIDS PFIDS/ IIDS arbitration output
- [Courtesy of SAFRAN Aerosystems]



# SENS4ICE Timeline – focus flight testing



# SENS4ICE Final Public Dissemination Event

- 📍 29th of November 2023
- 📍 Brussels, Belgium
- 📍 Further details will be provided via
  - 📍 <https://www.sens4ice-project.eu>
  - 📍 <https://www.linkedin.com/company/sens4ice-project>



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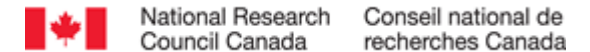
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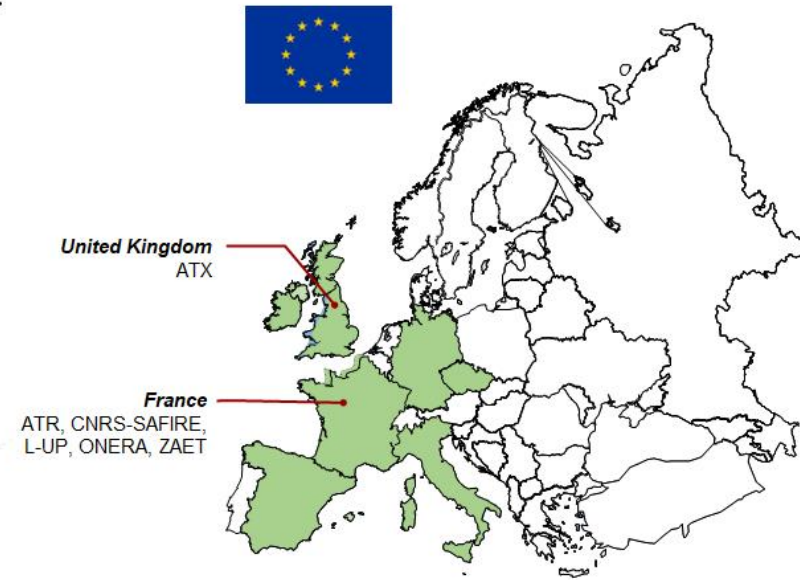
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# SENS4ICE international collaboration and cooperation



💧 InCo – international cooperation flagship:  
Aviation International Cooperation  
Flagship "Safer and Greener Aviation in a  
Smaller World"

💧 17 project parties (10 countries)

💧 13 European/4 international

💧 6 research centers, 1 university,  
9 industrial partners (OEMs and system  
developers and one SME),  
1 SME consultancy partner

💧 Advisory Board (9 members)

💧 aviation certification authorities (EASA, FAA, ANAC)

💧 manufacturing (Bombardier, Gulfstream, Airbus DS, DAHER)

💧 research (ITA, NLR)

💧 operations (VC - *Vereinigung Cockpit*,  
German Pilot's Association)

💧 Coordination with EU icing projects  
ICE GENESIS and MUSIC-haic

💧 Cooperation with SAE AC-9C Aircraft Icing  
Technology Committee





# Dangers of Icing in Flight

## Vertical Tail Plane

- Control degradation
- Drag increase

## Elevator Gap

- Control degradation

## Stabilizer

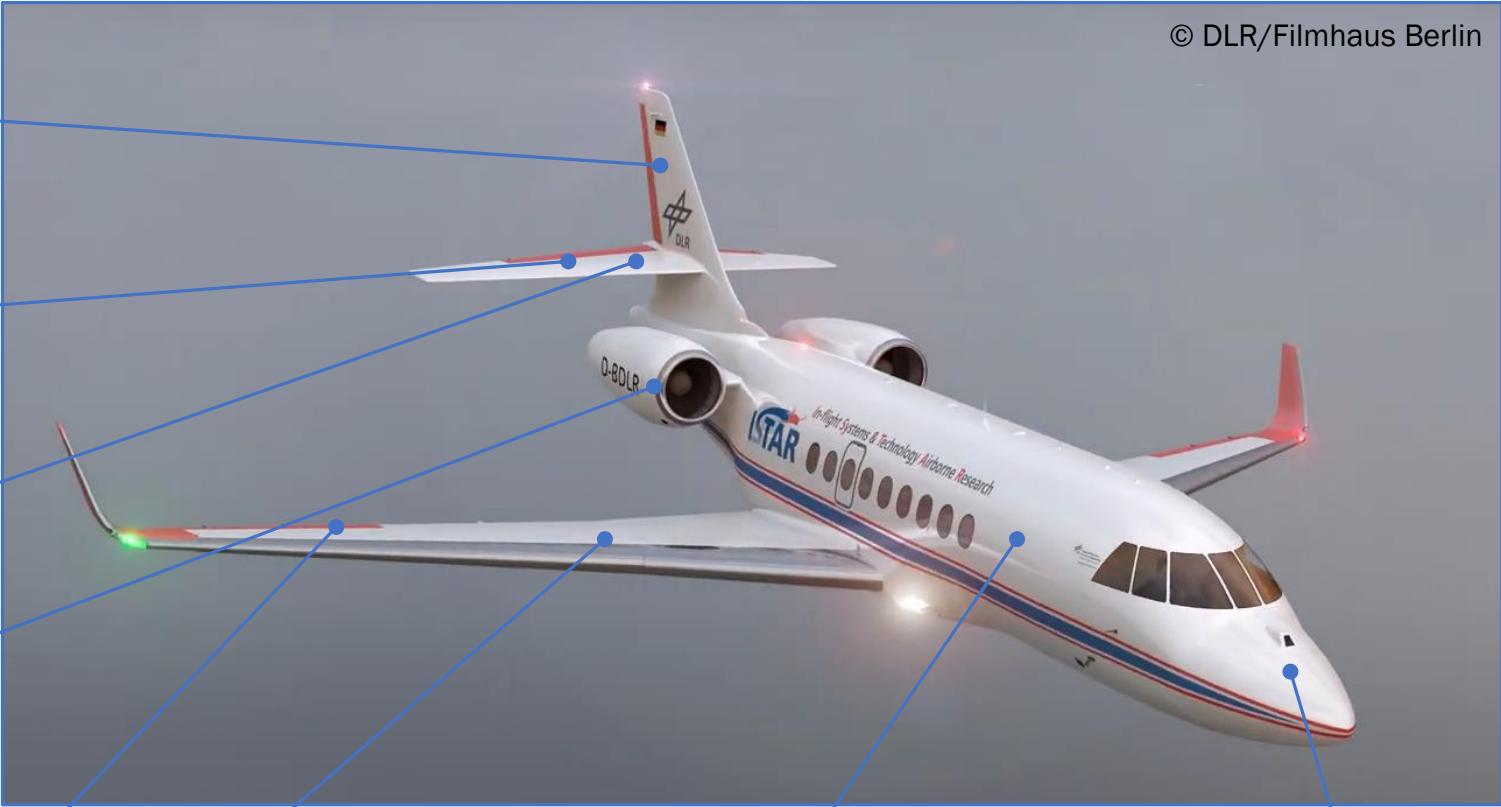
- Control degradation
- Drag increase

## Engines

- Danger of flameout or damage due to contaminants

## Aileron Gap

- Control degradation



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## Wing

- Performance loss
- Control degradation

## Fuselage

- Drag increase
- Collected contaminant ice layer

## Sensors

- Malfunction
- Blockage



# SENS4ICE

## Scope and positioning

- 💧 SENS4ICE fills the gap of SLD icing detection (App. 0)
    - hybridisation of different detection techniques
  - 💧 Technology development, test, validation and maturation with specific regards to integration of hybrid system architectures
    - TRL 5 of hybrid system at the end of SENS4ICE
  - 💧 Technology demonstration in relevant icing conditions:
    - 💧 icing wind tunnels
    - 💧 flight test
      - SENS4ICE will provide large data base of icing conditions
  - 💧 Close cooperation with regulation authorities for development of new certifiable hybrid ice detection system
    - SENS4ICE will provide an acceptable means of compliance
- **SENS4ICE** contributes to increase aviation safety in SLD icing conditions



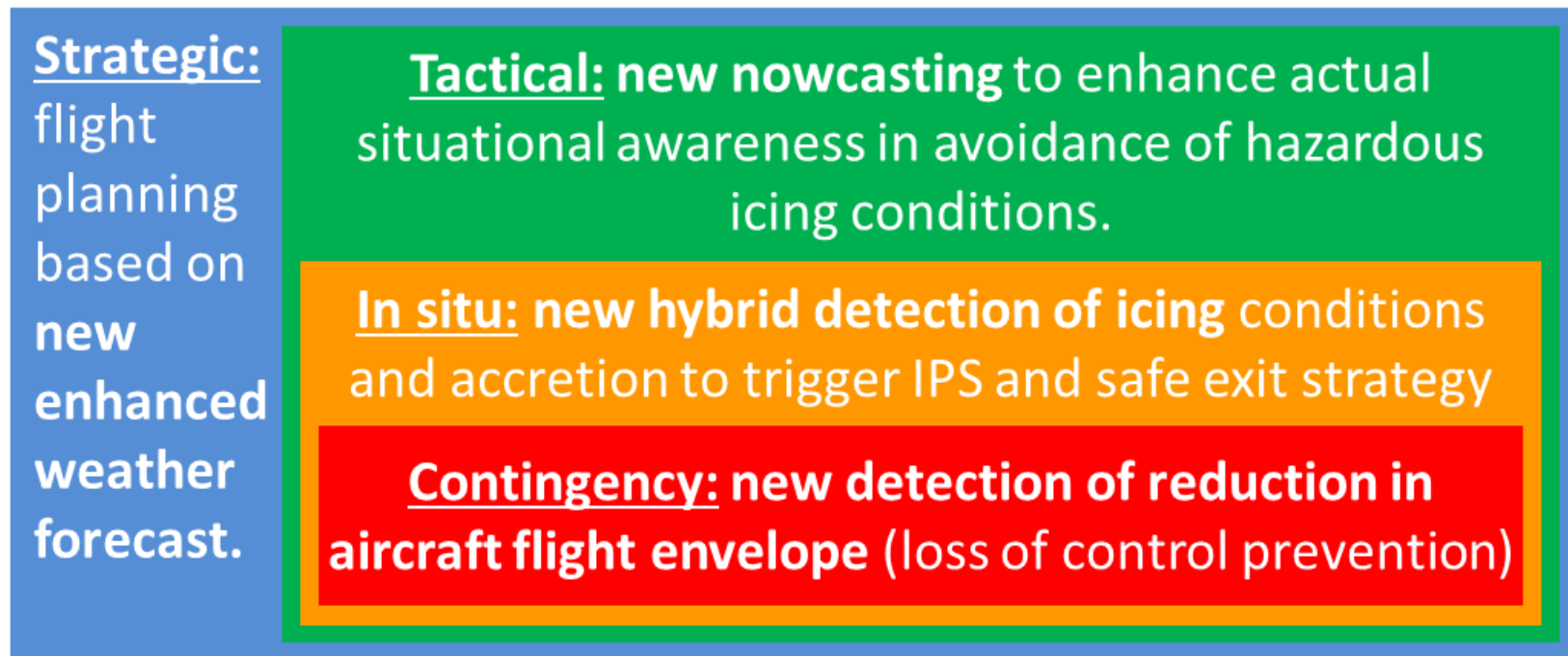
# Expected impact

- 💧 Contribute to **increased flight safety**  
by fewer accidents and less in-flight events worldwide
- 💧 Contribute to **reduce costs** for all stakeholders  
by improved and internationally accepted certification rules, standards and means of compliance, covering all types of icing hazards
- 💧 Contribute to **decrease delays** in operations  
thanks to more efficient avoidance of icing hazards and to fewer damages in need of inspection and repair



# Layered Approach on Ice Detection

SENS4ICE will address this challenge of reliably detecting and avoiding App. 0 SLD conditions with a unique layered safety approach:

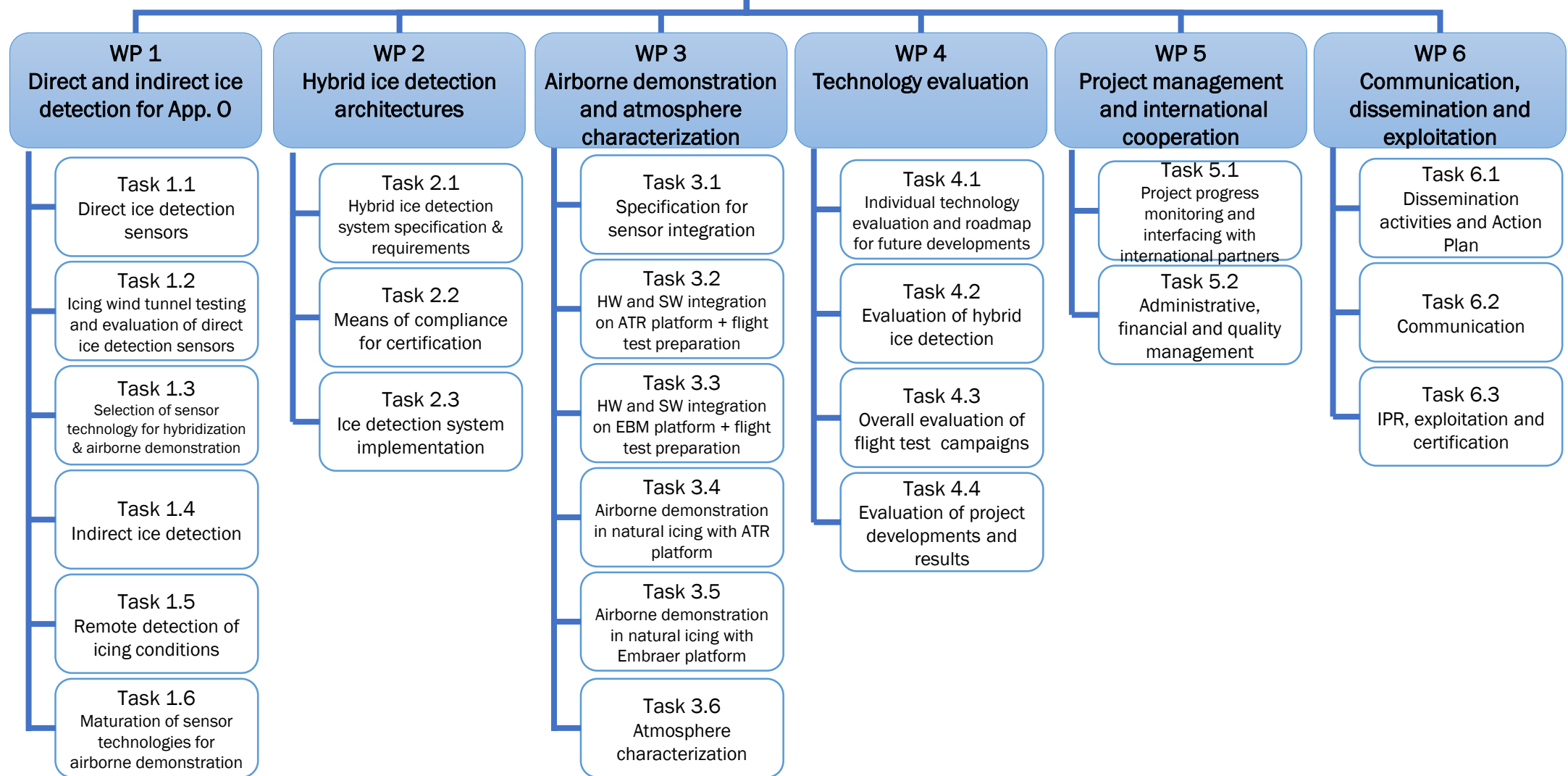


→ Hybrid ice detection is central technology and key to this approach

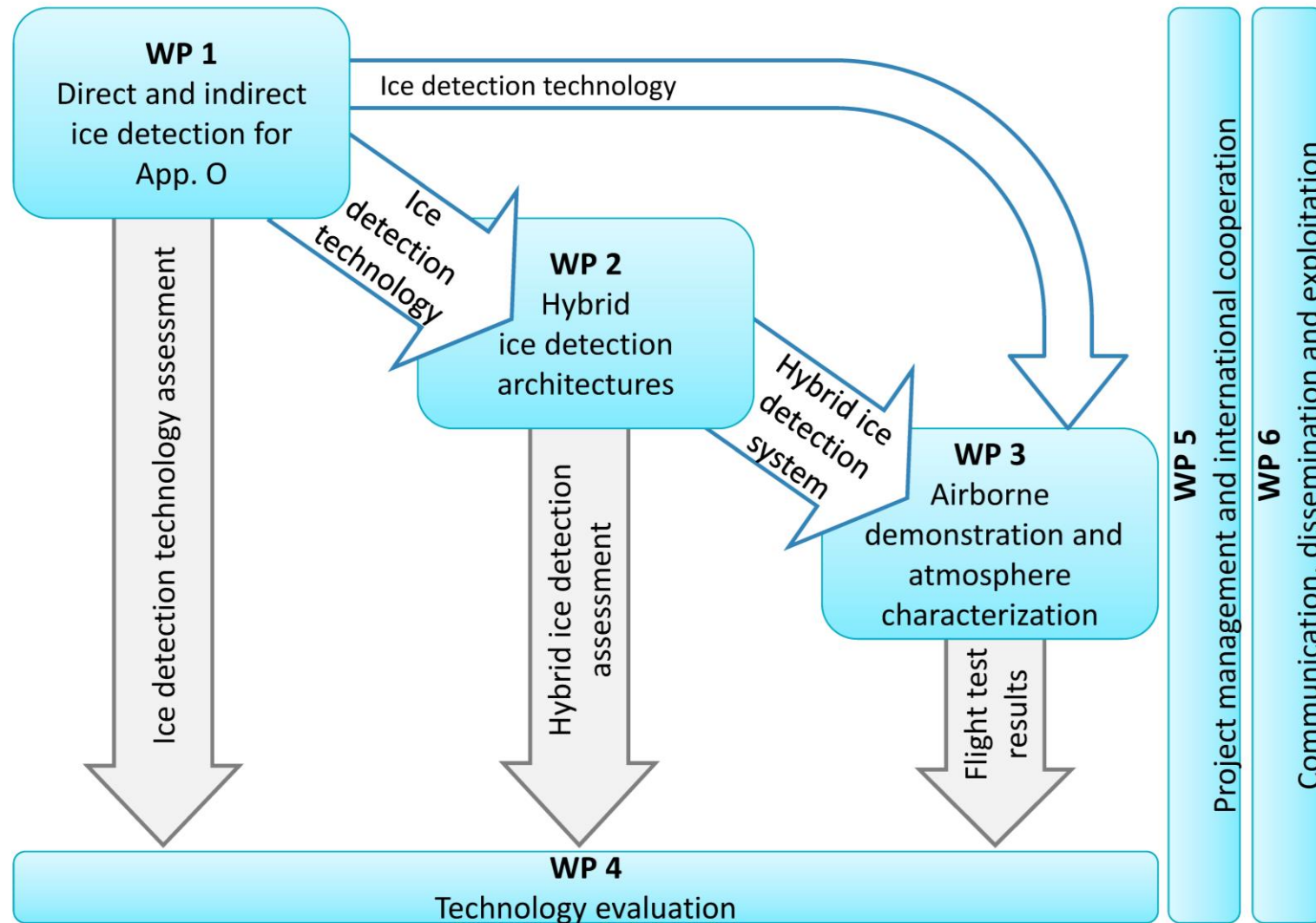


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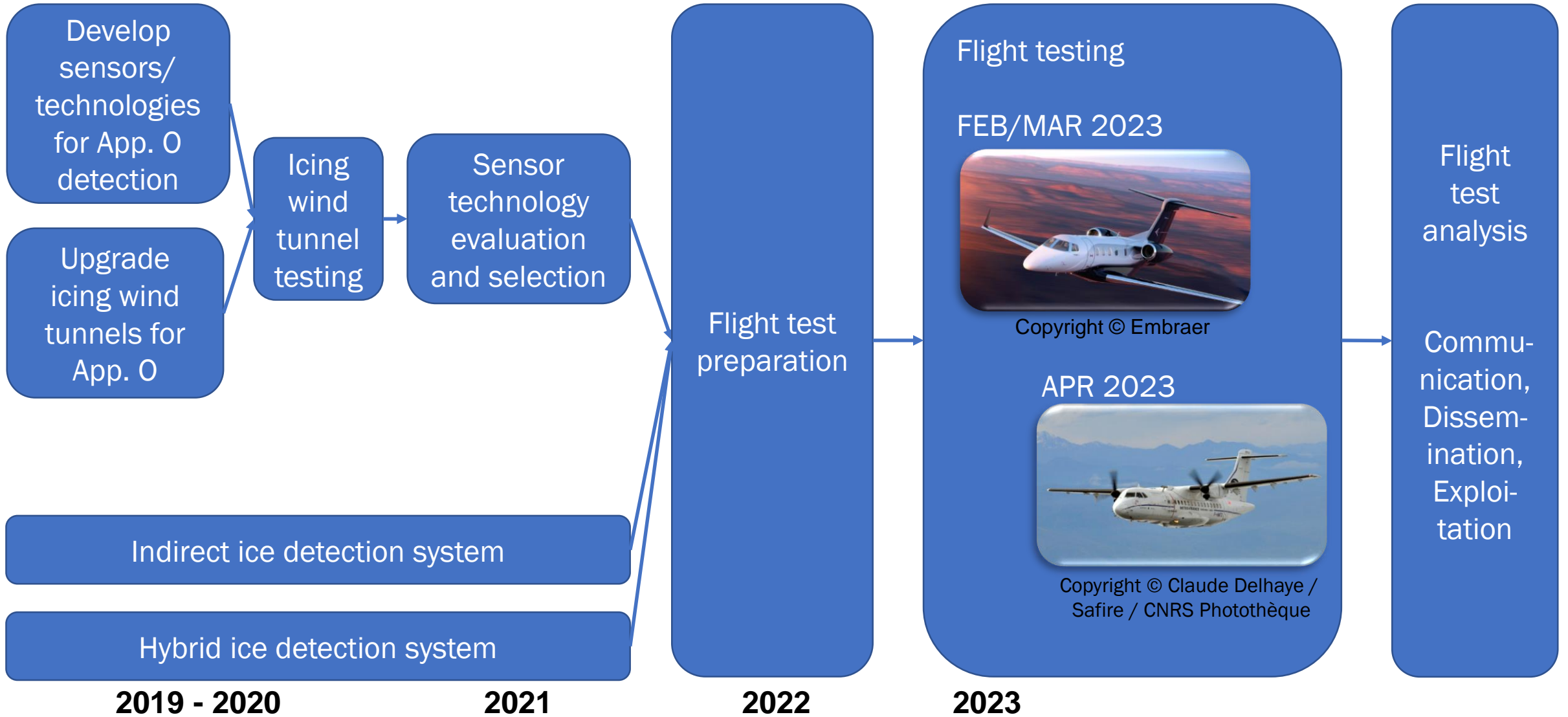
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# Technical Work Packages Interrelation



# SENS4ICE Timeline – focus flight testing



# WP1: Direct and indirect ice detection for App. 0

## High Level Objectives

Main Objective: Develop technologies capable of detecting App. 0 icing conditions using a three-pronged approach:

- 💧 Direct detection: development of *in situ* sensors capable of ice detection
  - 💧 10 technologies under EU-funded development representing a variety of physical detection principles
  - 💧 Evaluation in icing wind tunnel tests under simulated App. 0 conditions – three tunnel facilities/total of 16 weeks testing time
  - 💧 Two-stage evaluation/selection process to ensure most promising sensors advance to flight test (WP3)
- 💧 Indirect detection: utilising existing sensor information and aircraft performance reference data for early detection of airframe icing
- 💧 Remote detection: development of methods to detect App. 0 conditions before the aircraft enters the hazard area
  - 💧 Detection and Nowcasting: development of algorithms that combine meteorological factors retrieved from satellite data to detect and forecast (very short-term range) icing threats in App. 0 conditions
  - 💧 Polarimetric weather radar: development of algorithms to classify icing threats and identify App. 0 conditions





# SENS4ICE sensor technologies overview, sensor types and principles

Developer	Sensor	Sensor Type	Sensor Principle
AeroTex	AIP - Atmospheric Icing Patch	Atmospheric	Isothermal with inertial separation at different sensors along aircraft
Collins	IDS - Ice Detection System	Atmospheric	Thermal response to heat impulse
DLR	LILD - Local Ice Layer Detector	Accretion	Ultrasonic wave attenuation / phase change
Honeywell	SRP - Short Range Particulate	Atmospheric	Collecting backscattered light from particles
INTA	FOD - Fiber Optic Detector	Accretion	Latent heat measured with fiber optic
ONERA	AHDEL - Atmospheric Hydrometeor Detector based on Electrostatics	Atmospheric	Particle charging and subsequent measurement of the charge
ONERA	AMPERA - Atmospheric Measurement of Potential and Electric field on Aircraft	Atmospheric	Measurement of aircraft electric potential
SAFRAN	AOD - Appendix O Discriminator	Atmospheric	Shadowgraphy
SAFRAN	PFIDS - Primary in-Flight Icing Detection System	Accretion	Optical reflection from accretion
DLR	CM2D - Cloud Multi-Detection Device [BCPD - Backscatter Cloud Probe with Polarization Detection]	Atmospheric	Single particle optical backscatter
DLR	CM2D - Cloud Multi-Detection Device [Nevzorov]	Atmospheric	Isothermal measurement of water content



# SENS4ICE sensor technologies for direct sensing of atmospheric icing conditions or ice accretion detection (1/2)



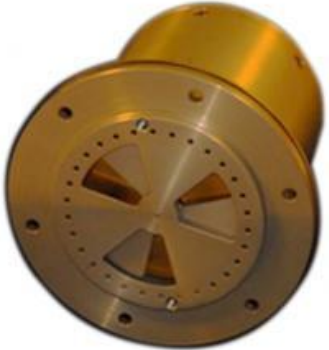
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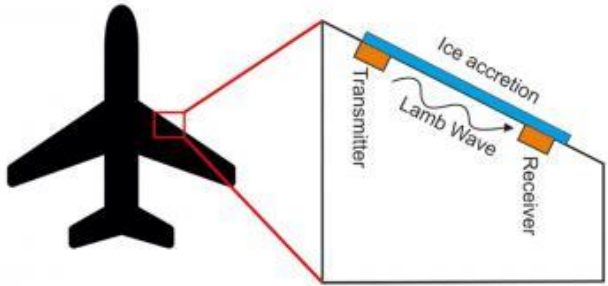
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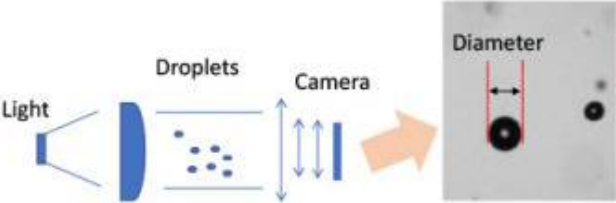
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# SENS4ICE sensor technologies for direct sensing of atmospheric icing conditions or ice accretion detection (2/2)



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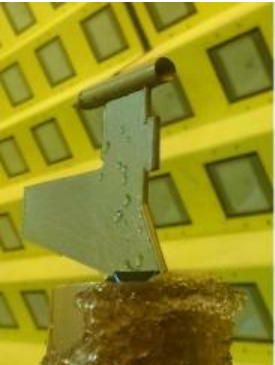
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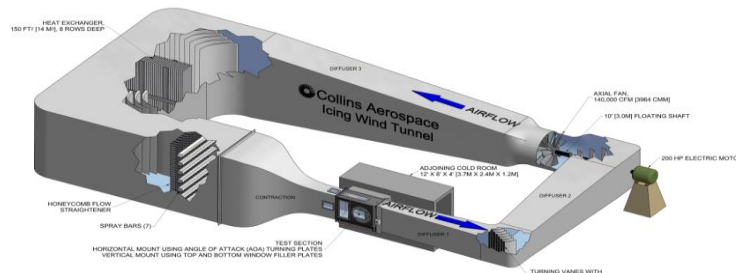


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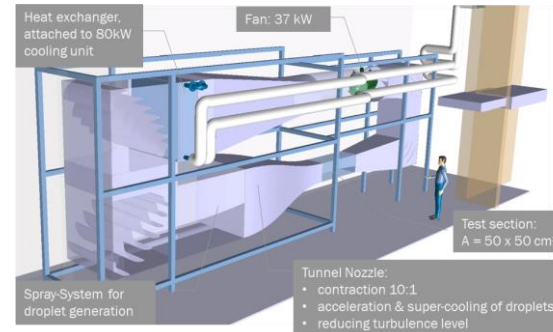
# Overview of SENS4ICE IWT Capabilities

## Collins Aerospace, USA



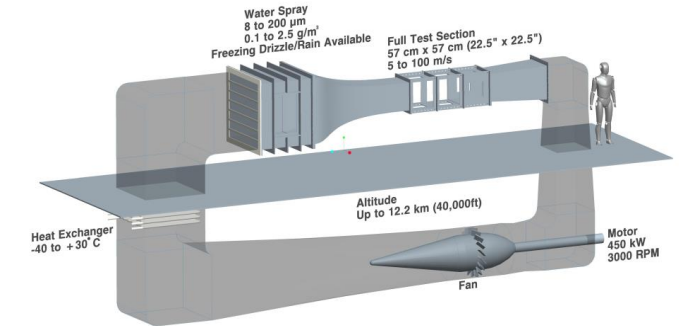
- 5-147 micron droplets
- LWC between 0.1 and 3 g/m<sup>3</sup>
- Temperature 0°C to -30°C
- Sustained speed 13-103 m/s
- Test section: 152x56x112 cm<sup>3</sup>
- Calibrated per SAE ARP 5905
- Compliant with AS9100C
- Controls and power supplies can simulate aircraft controls

## TU Braunschweig, Germany



- MVD 9-200 micron droplets
- LWC between 0.1 and 1.5 g/m<sup>3</sup>
- Temperature 30°C to -20°C
- Sustained speed 10-40 m/s
- Test section: 150x50x50 cm<sup>3</sup>
- Calibrated per SAE ARP 5905
- Short spray transients ~ 15s
- Bi-modal SLD and mixed phase capability

## NRC, Canada



- 8-200 micron droplets
- LWC between 0.1 and 2.5 g/m<sup>3</sup>
- Supercooled Water: 10 to > 200 µm (incl. SLD bi-modal)
- Temperature +30°C to -40°C
- Sustained speed 5-100 m/s
- Test section: 57x57 cm<sup>2</sup> (52x33 cm<sup>2</sup> with insert)
- Sea level < Altitude < 40,000ft
- Calibrated per SAE ARP 5905

💧 Dedicated common test points defined for all involved SENS4ICE IWT



# Common test points between IWT facilities TUBS, Collins and NRC

IWT	App C					
	Total Test Points	Common with 3 IWT	Common with 2 IWT	Only at 1 IWT	CM Test Points	IM Test Points
TUBS	19	4	1	14	10	9
Collins	18	4	3	10	9	9
NRC	19	4	4	11	9	10
	App O					
	Total Test Points	Common with 3 IWT	Common with 2 IWT	Only at 1 IWT	Total Points [unimodal]	Total Points [bimodal]
TUBS	18	0	1	17	0	18
Collins	6	0	1	5	6	0
NRC	17	0	2	15	4	13



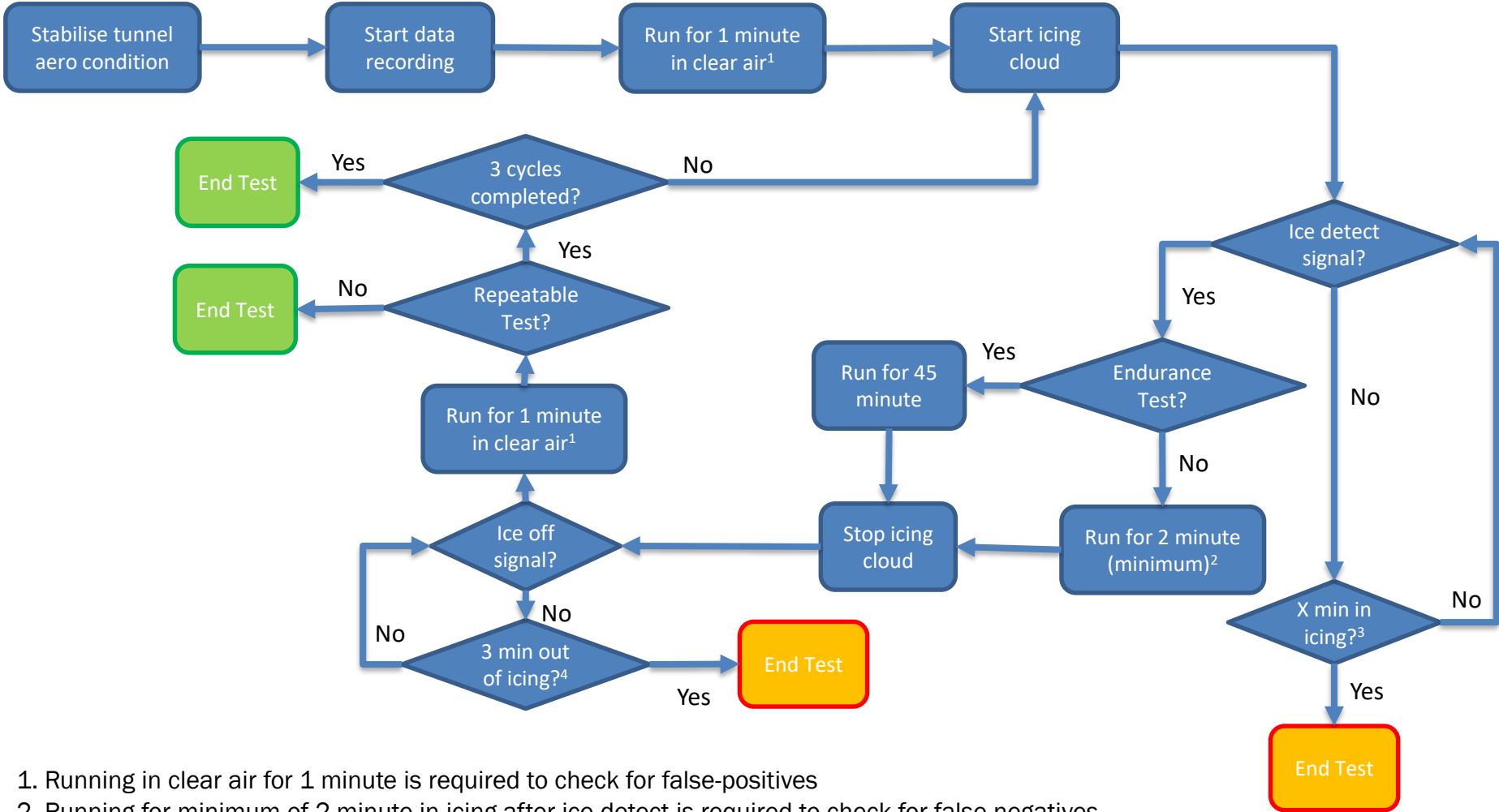
# Collins IWT SENS4ICE Test Matrix

Case	Condition	Airspeed	Static Temp.	MVD	LWC
[-]	[-]	[m/s]	[deg. C]	[ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	[g/m <sup>3</sup> ]
1	LW-C CM	40	-20	15	0.30
2	LW-C CM	40	-10	20	0.42
3	LW-C CM	40	-1	23	0.54
4	LW-C CM	67	-2	15	0.80
5	LW-C CM	67	-20	18	0.25
6	LW-C CM	67	-10	20	0.42
7	LW-C CM	85	-30	17	0.17
8	LW-C CM	85	-20	15	0.30
9	LW-C CM	85	-10	23	0.34
10	LW-C IM	40	-20	22	1.50
11	LW-C IM	40	-1	20	2.50
12	LW-C IM	40	-10	28	1.20

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14	LW-C IM	67	-20	30	0.80
15	LW-C IM	67	-10	25	1.40
16	LW-C IM	85	-30	20	1.00
17	LW-C IM	85	-20	23	1.30
18	LW-C IM	85	-10	32	0.80
19	unimodal	76	-17.7	122.3	0.46
20	unimodal	76	-17.7	189.5	0.56
21	unimodal	76	-17.7	169.1	0.78
22	unimodal	76	-17.7	183.8	0.78
23	unimodal	76	-17.7	155.4	0.94
24	unimodal	76	-17.7	163.5	0.82



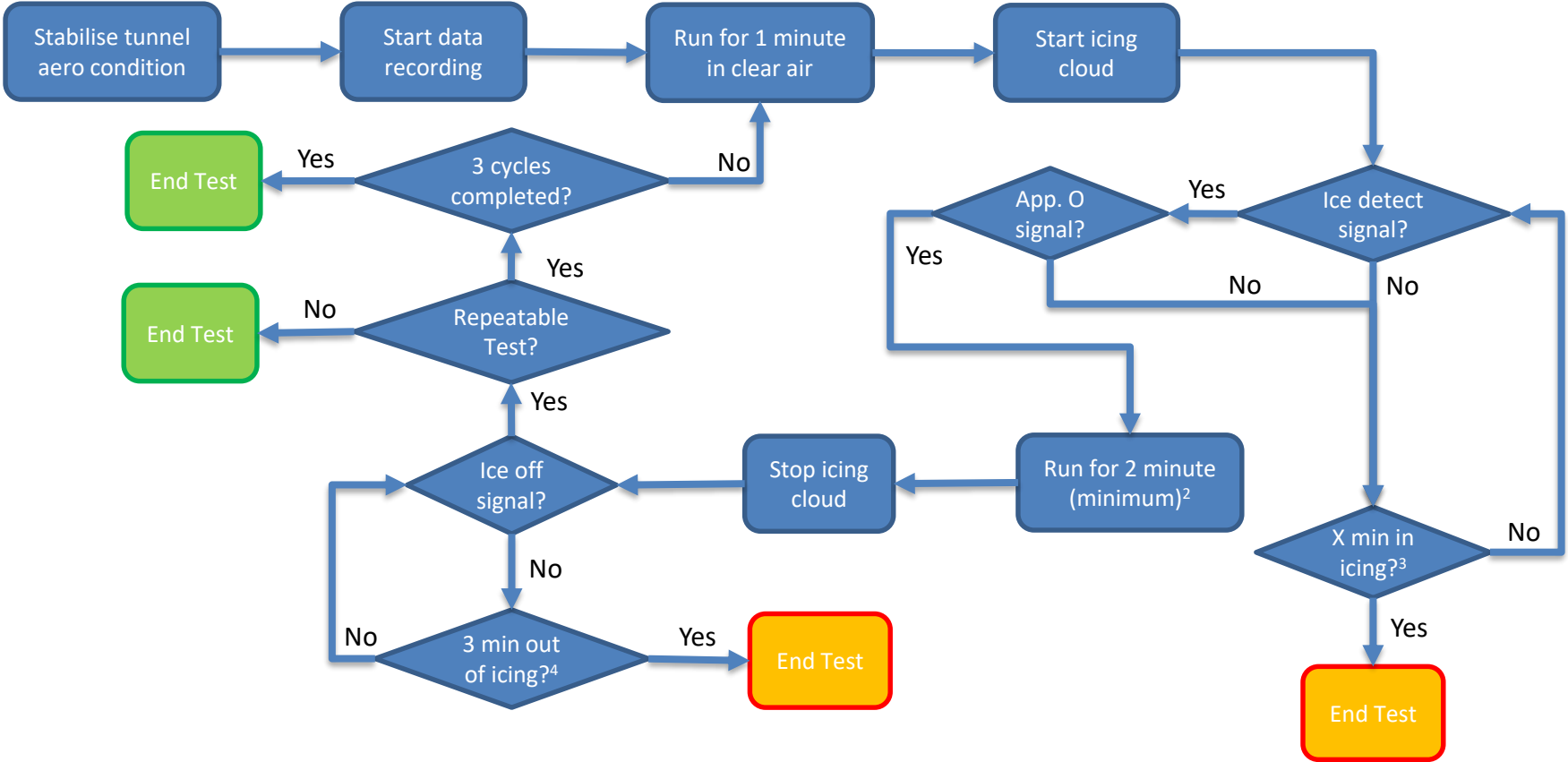
# IWT Test Procedures – App C Conditions



- Notes:
1. Running in clear air for 1 minute is required to check for false-positives
  2. Running for minimum of 2 minute in icing after ice-detect is required to check for false-negatives
  3. X is the target calculated detection time + 1 minute
  4. Based on AS5498A time to detect exit being a maximum of 3 minutes



# IWT Test Procedures – App 0 Conditions



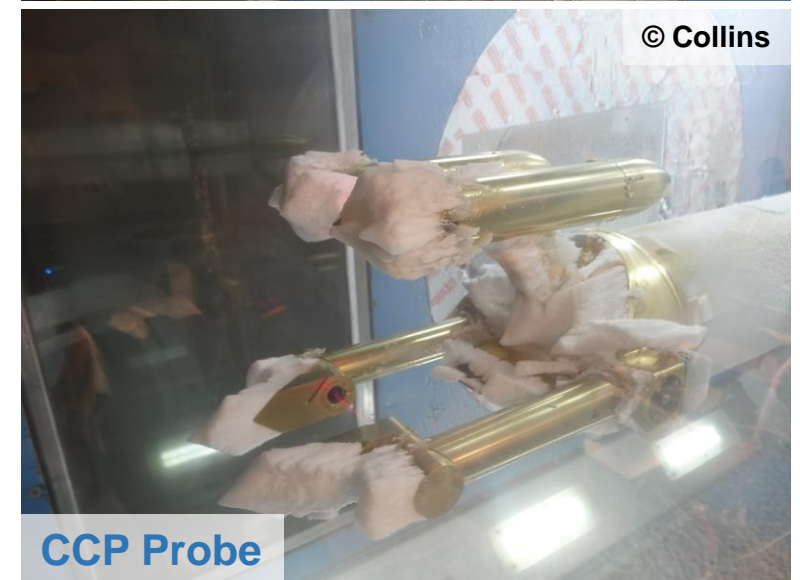
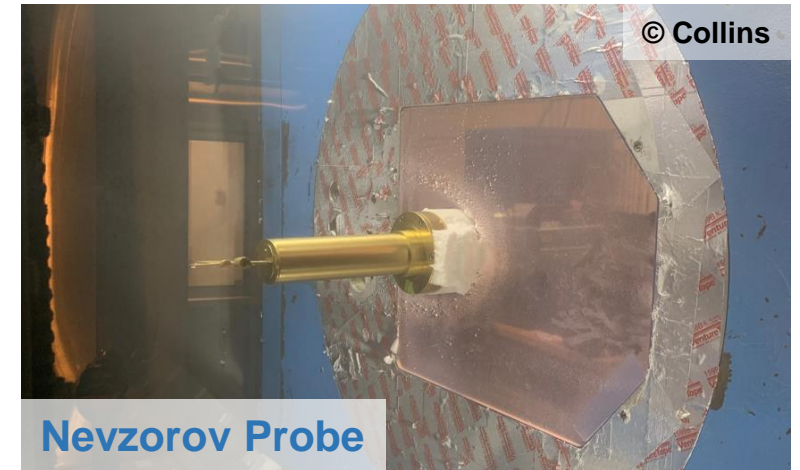
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# SENS4ICE Reference Measurements CCP & Nevzorov Probes at Collins Icing Wind Tunnel

- Nevzorov probe
  - 2 days of testing at Collins
    - Completed entirety of App C and App O test matrices
- Cloud Combination Probe (CCP) probe
  - 3.5 days of testing at Collins
    - Completed entirety of App. C and App O. test matrices
    - During test only one of CCP probe's measurement volumes could be positioned in tunnel centerline at a time
    - For that reason, many test conditions were repeated in two configurations so that data could be collected with each measurement volume centered in the tunnel.



[El Hassan Ridouane (Collins), SENS4ICE Icing Wind Tunnel Capabilities and Test Procedures,  
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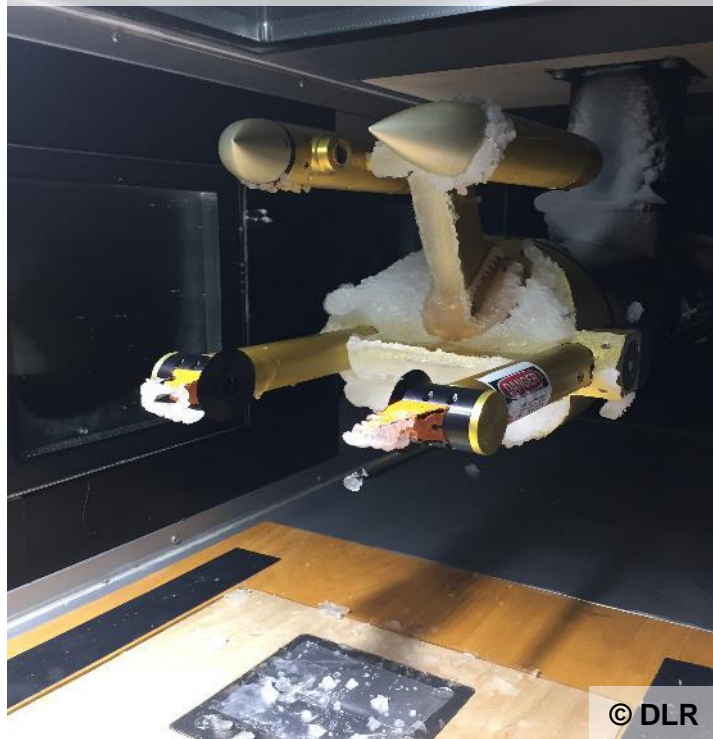


# SENS4ICE Reference Measurements

## CCP (CDP & CIP) & Nevzorov Probes at TUBS Icing Wind Tunnel

Reference measurement wind tunnel testing in Appendix C and O conditions was conducted during three weeks in January and July 2020

Cloud Combination Probe (CCP)



CDP size range : 2 – 50  $\mu\text{m}$   
CIP size range: 15 – 950  $\mu\text{m}$

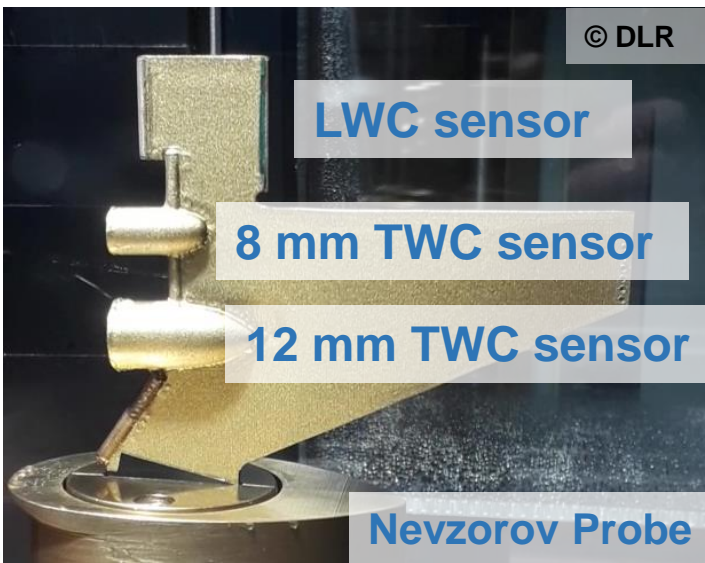
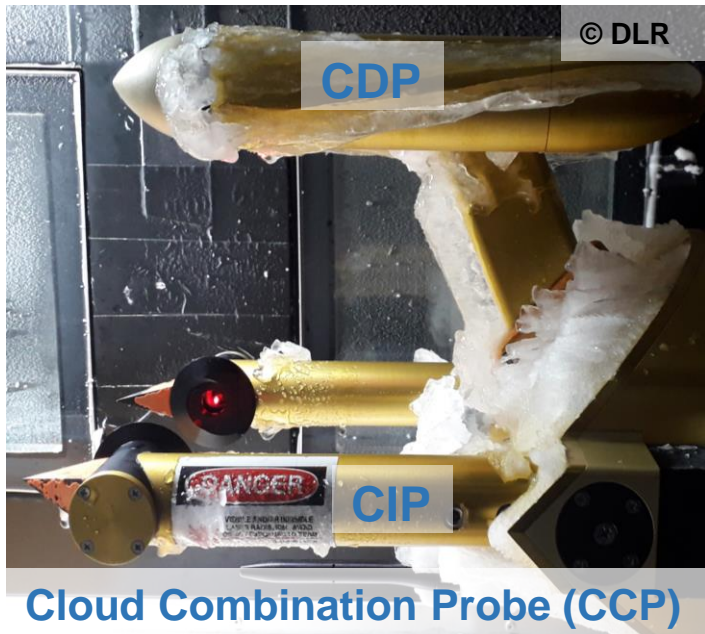
Nevzorov Probe



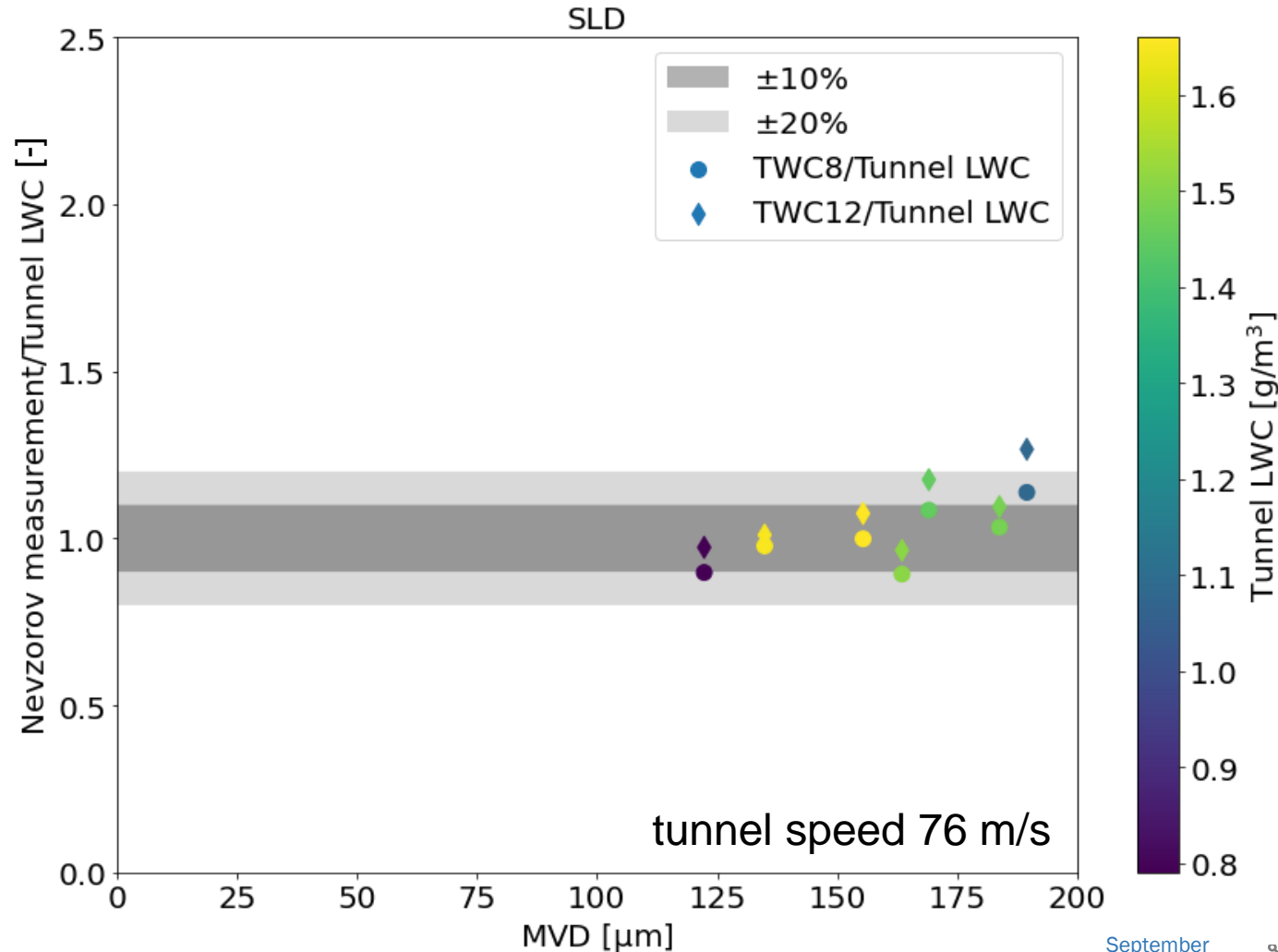
LWC sensitivity: 0.003  $\text{g}/\text{m}^3$   
Air speed range: 10 – 180  $\text{m}/\text{s}$



# Reference Instrumentation & Measurements

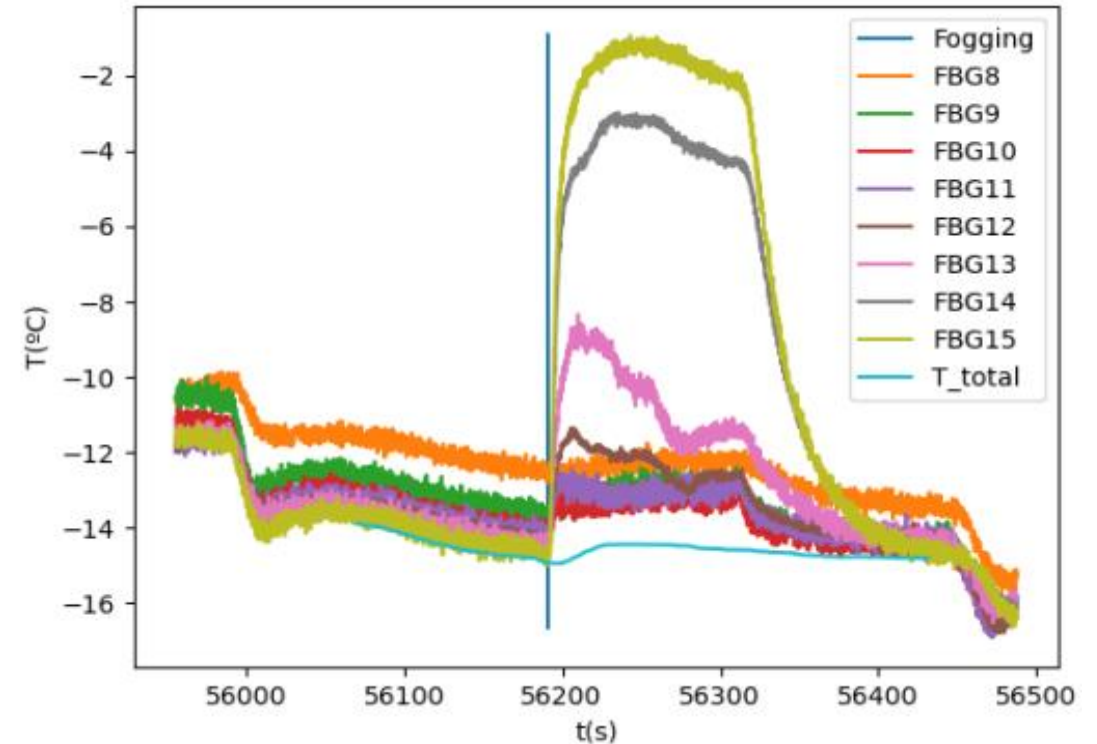


- Reference measurements (Nevzorov probe) in SLD conditions
- 💧 generally good agreement with tunnel LWC data (SEA probe)
  - 💧 for MVDs < 180  $\mu\text{m}$ , Nevzorov and SEA probe agree within 20%



# FOD (Fiber Optic Detector) – using Fiber Bragg Grating Sensors (FBGs)

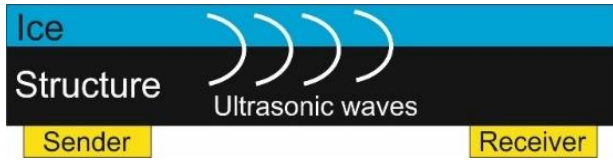
- FBGS are integrated in the surface of an airfoil to provide temperature measurements over the chord.
- Measurements are compared with a heat and mass balance model.
- Based on this a prediction for liquid water content (LWC) and ice accretion rate (IAR) is generated.
- IWT results show a good correlation with theoretical calculations. The following capabilities have been demonstrated: detect beginning and end of ice accretion, LWC and IAR quickly and with good precision.
- The different measurement locations over the cord of the airfoil allow to clearly distinguish the temperature distribution.



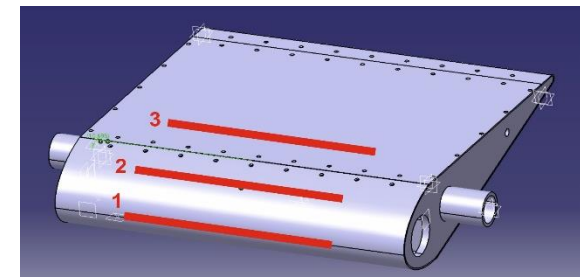
FOD temperature time histories at NRC AIWT for different measurement locations over the airfoil chord (“FBG 8 – 15”) and the total temperature for Appendix O conditions (LWC = 0.82 g/m<sup>3</sup>, MVD = 163.5  $\mu$ m; V = 76 m/s, start time of icing cloud marked by a vertical line “Fogging”)



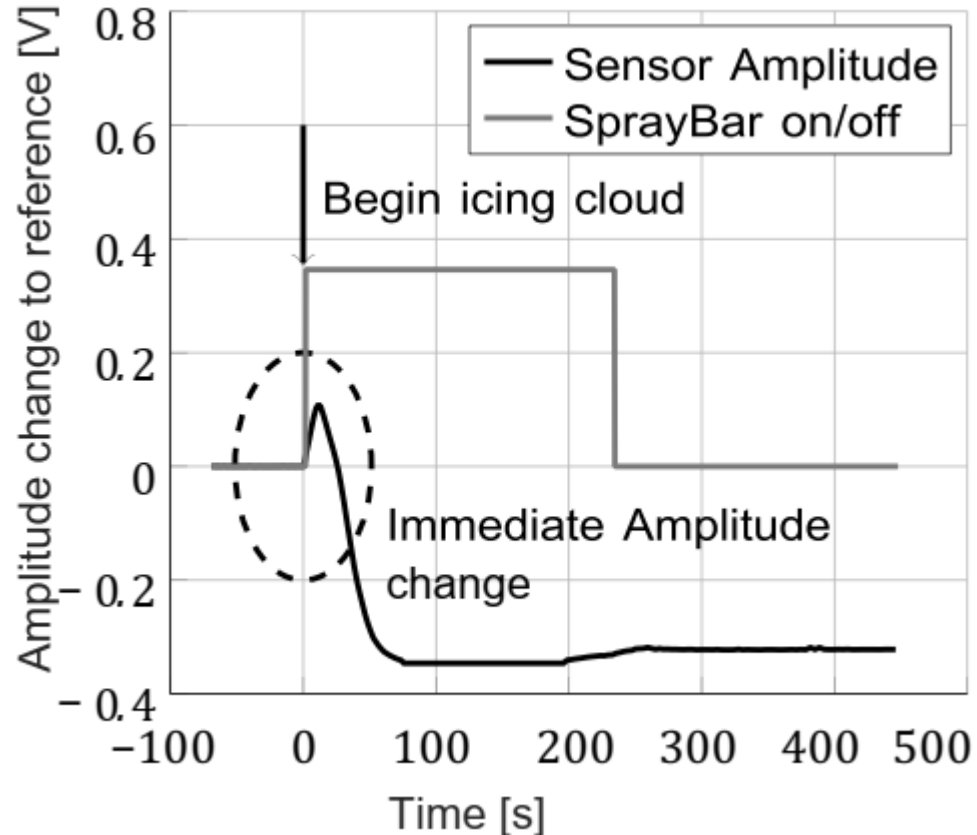
# Local Ice Layer Detector (LILD)



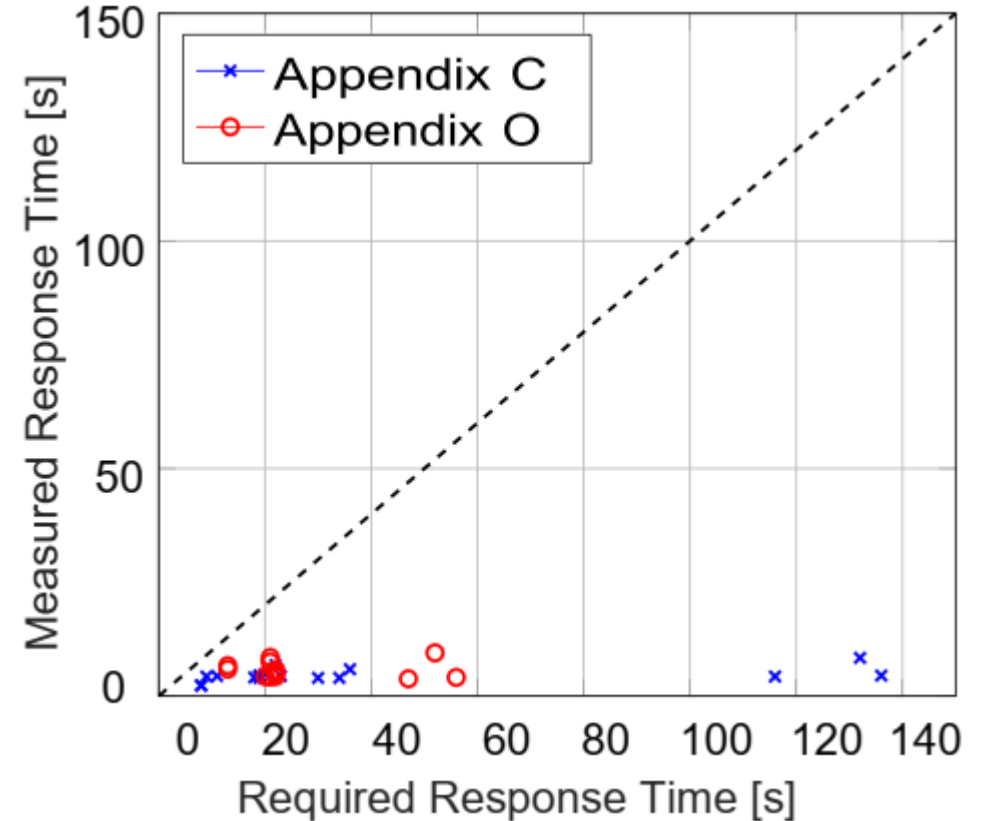
LILD principle of travelling ultrasonic lamb waves



Lamb wave measurement channels marked in red for IWT test



LILD immediate lamb wave amplitude reaction of the received pulse upon icing conditions start for exemplary Appendix C test case (MVD = 21.1  $\mu\text{m}$ , LWC = 0,98  $\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , T = -10°C)

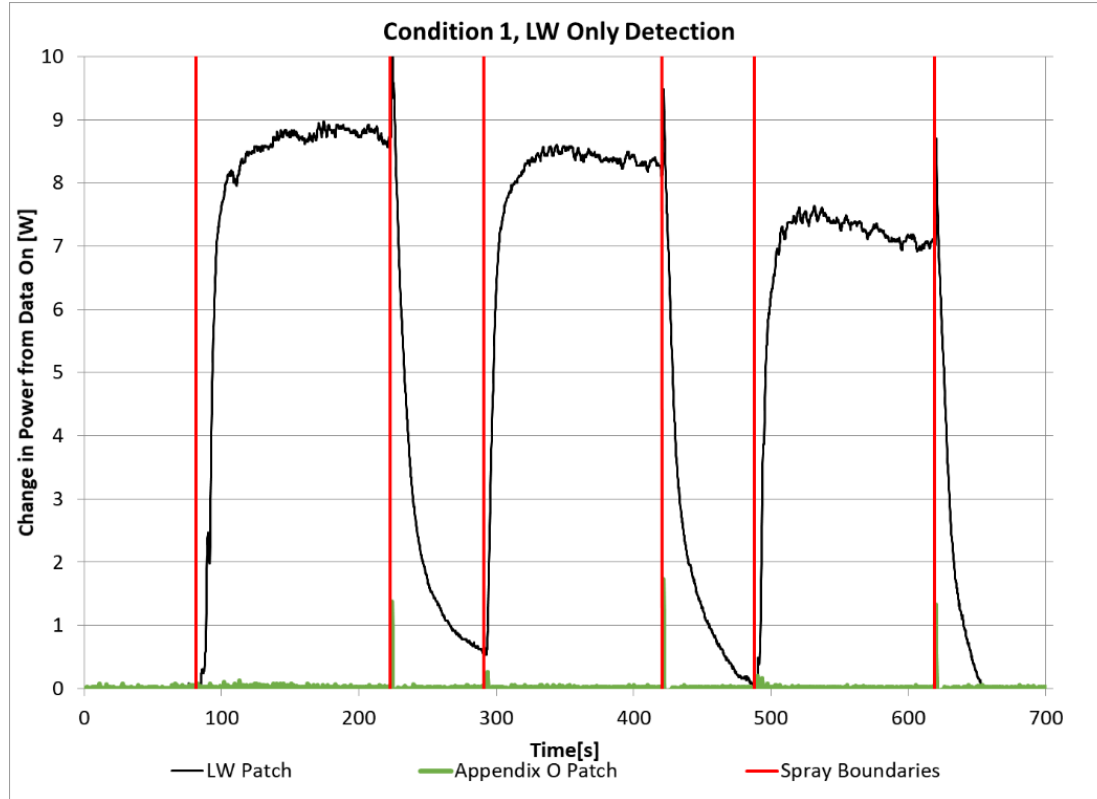


LILD response times for Appendix C and O conditions measured at BIWT compared to the required response time

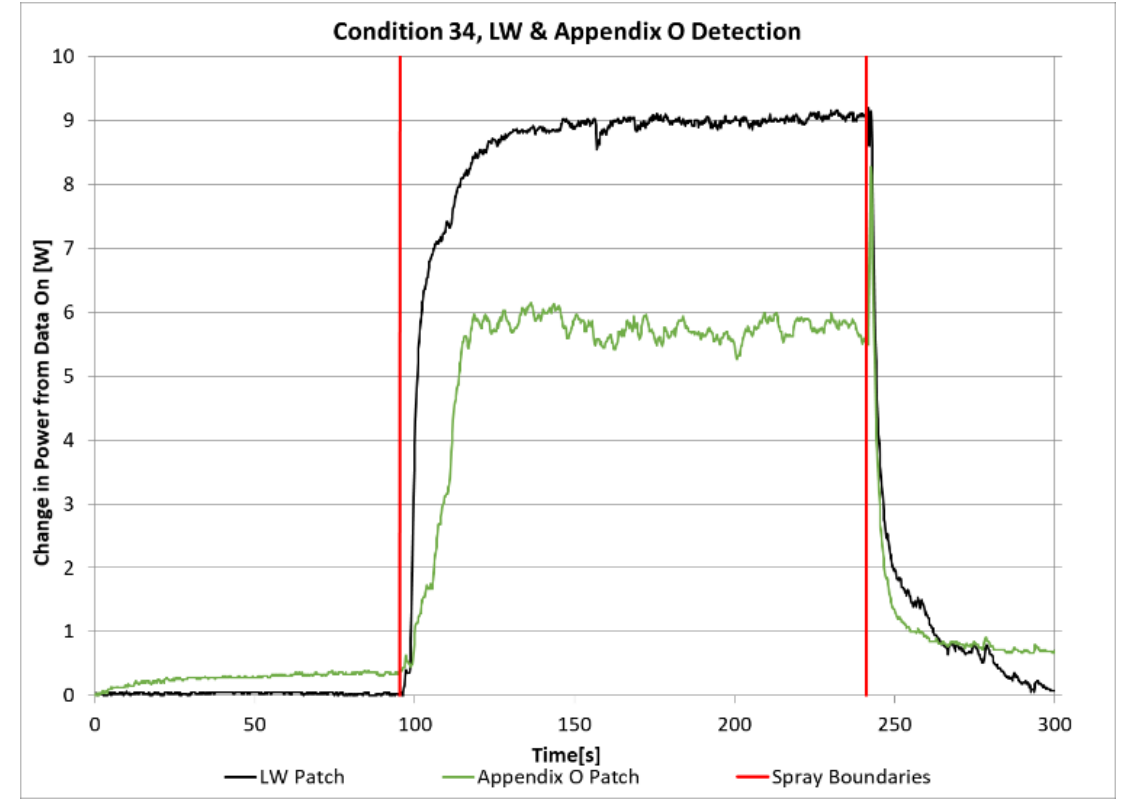


# Atmospheric Icing Patch – AIP

consisting of an array of low power (< 28W) iso-thermal ice detection sensors



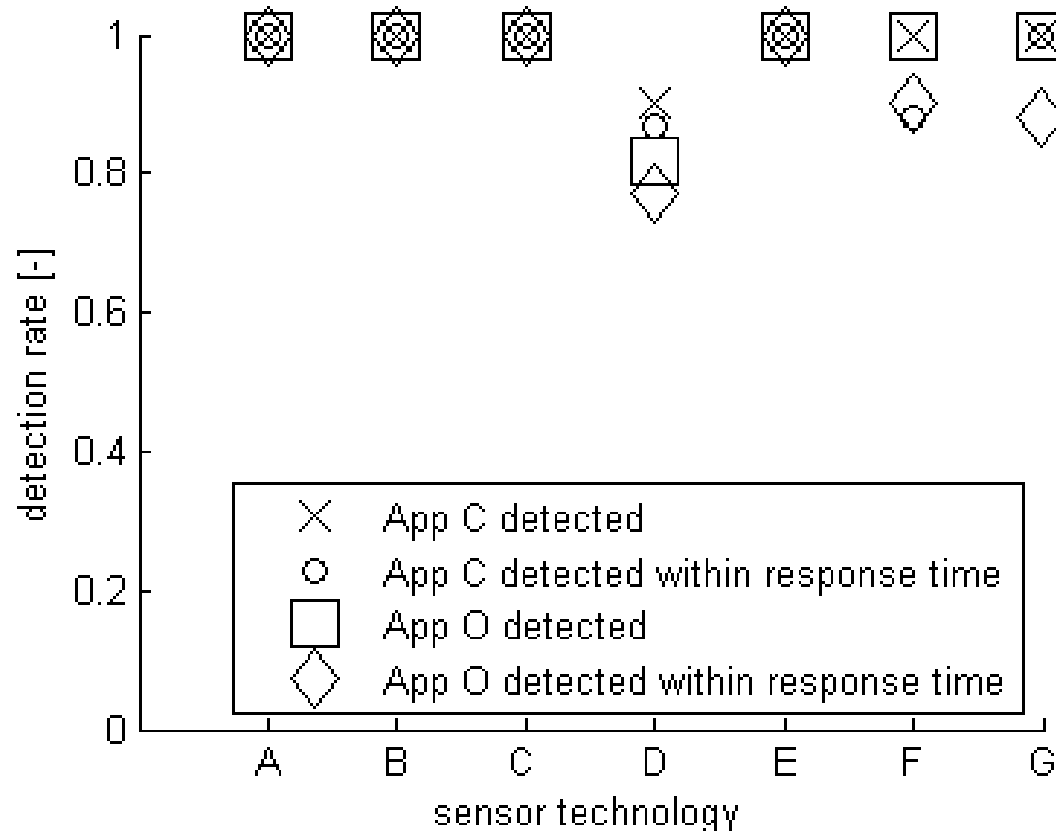
Example of AIP patch power response in small droplet icing conditions (note Appendix O patch shows no response)



Example of AIP patch power response in large droplet icing conditions (note Appendix O patch response)



# SENS4ICE sensor technologies IWT testing detection rates for App. C and O icing condition test points



- 💧 anonymised overview of detection rates
  - 💧 test cases successfully detected related to total number of test cases
  - 💧 excluding CM2D scientific/reference sensor and one other sensor that was withdrawn from IWT testing in the context of Covid-19 related delays
- 💧 several sensors have correctly detected 100% of test points for Appendix C and also for Appendix O
- 💧 also within required maximum response time
  - 💧 as per EUROCAE inflight icing systems standard ED-103
  - 💧 maximum response time depending on icing condition



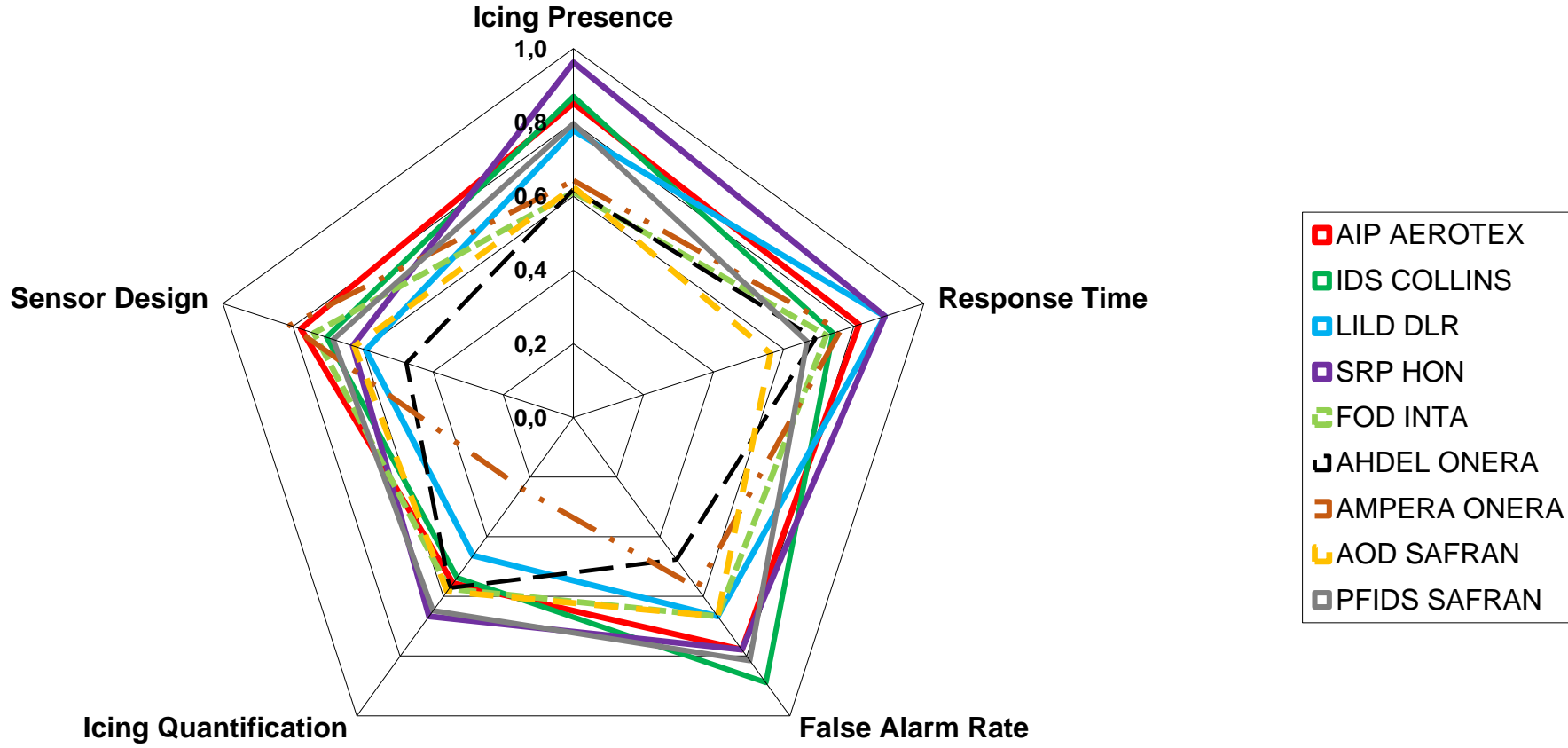
# Technology evaluation criteria and weighting factors

Technology evaluation criteria	Weighting factor
<b>Icing (ice accretion) / Icing condition presence detection capability</b> (for App. C (required) and App. O (primary project goal, hence App. O capabilities are more relevant))	0.35
<b>Response time</b> (for providing Icing/Icing Condition Presence)	0.20
<b>False alarm rate</b> (i.e., detection of icing in non-icing conditions)	0.10
<b>Icing quantification and contributing factors for severity determination</b> , mainly with regard to App. O (discrimination App. C/O, icing, icing condition characteristics, either of those outputs can contribute to a good rating, while not all are required)	0.30
<b>Sensor design</b> : weight/integration/power (expected once technology is matured)	0.05



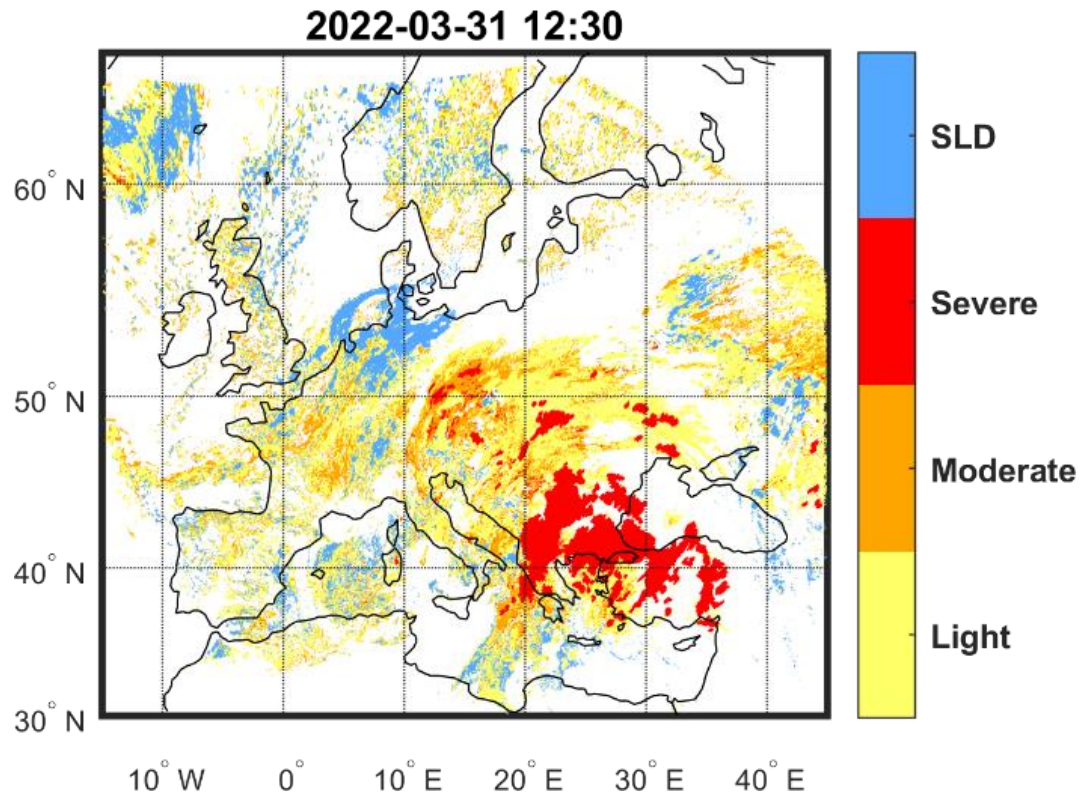


# SENS4ICE Advisory Board evaluation ratings for sensor technologies averaged for all Advisory Board members for evaluation criteria (averaged ratings between 0 and 1, normalised, best rating 1)

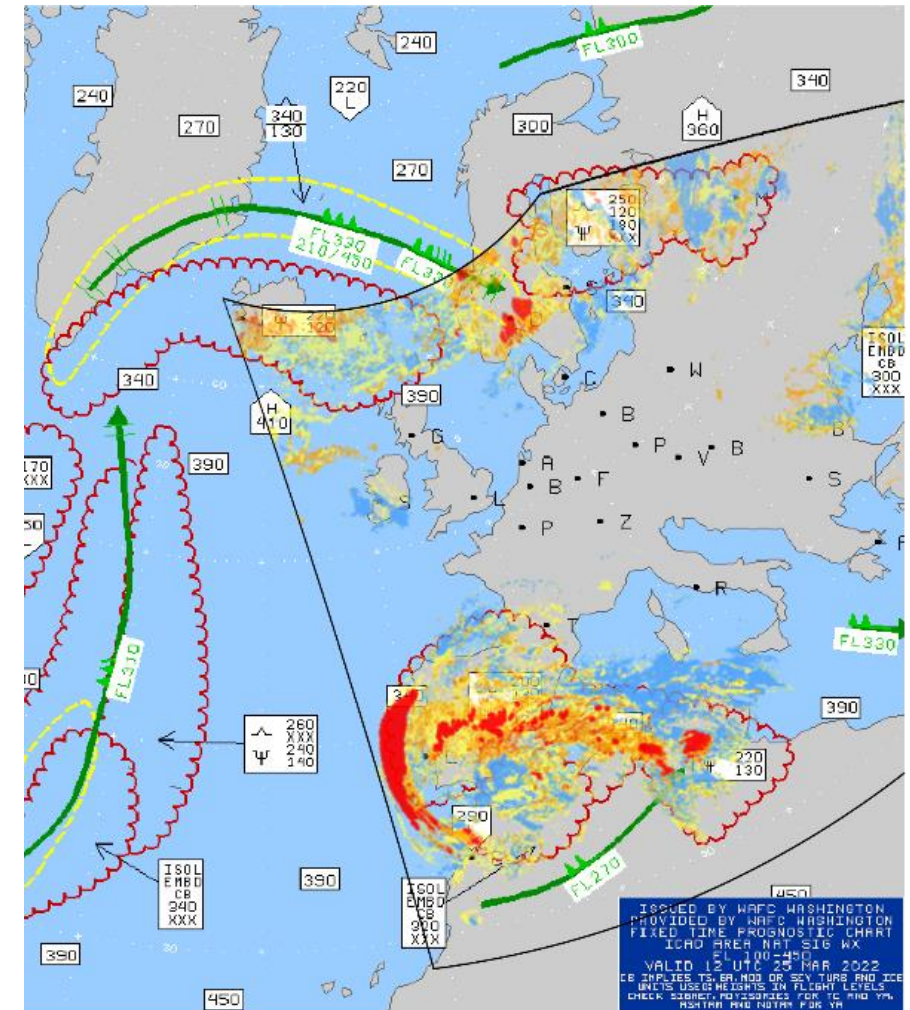


# Remote Ice Detection

- ❖ CIRA enhanced and matured existing satellite data based icing detection algorithm to consider SLD icing conditions
- ❖ main factors: liquid water content (LWC), temperature, droplet size and cloud type



CIRA remote icing detection algorithm output for 31 MAR 2022 12:30 UTC



CIRA remote icing detection validation example (comparison with SIGWX chart)



# WP2: Hybrid Ice Detection

## Robust Hybrid Ice Detection:

different techniques for  
**direct sensing** of  
atmospheric conditions  
and/or ice accretion



**indirect** techniques to  
detect change of aircraft  
characteristics with ice  
accretion on airframe

Development, test, validation and maturation of different technologies for

- direct ice detection
- indirect ice detection

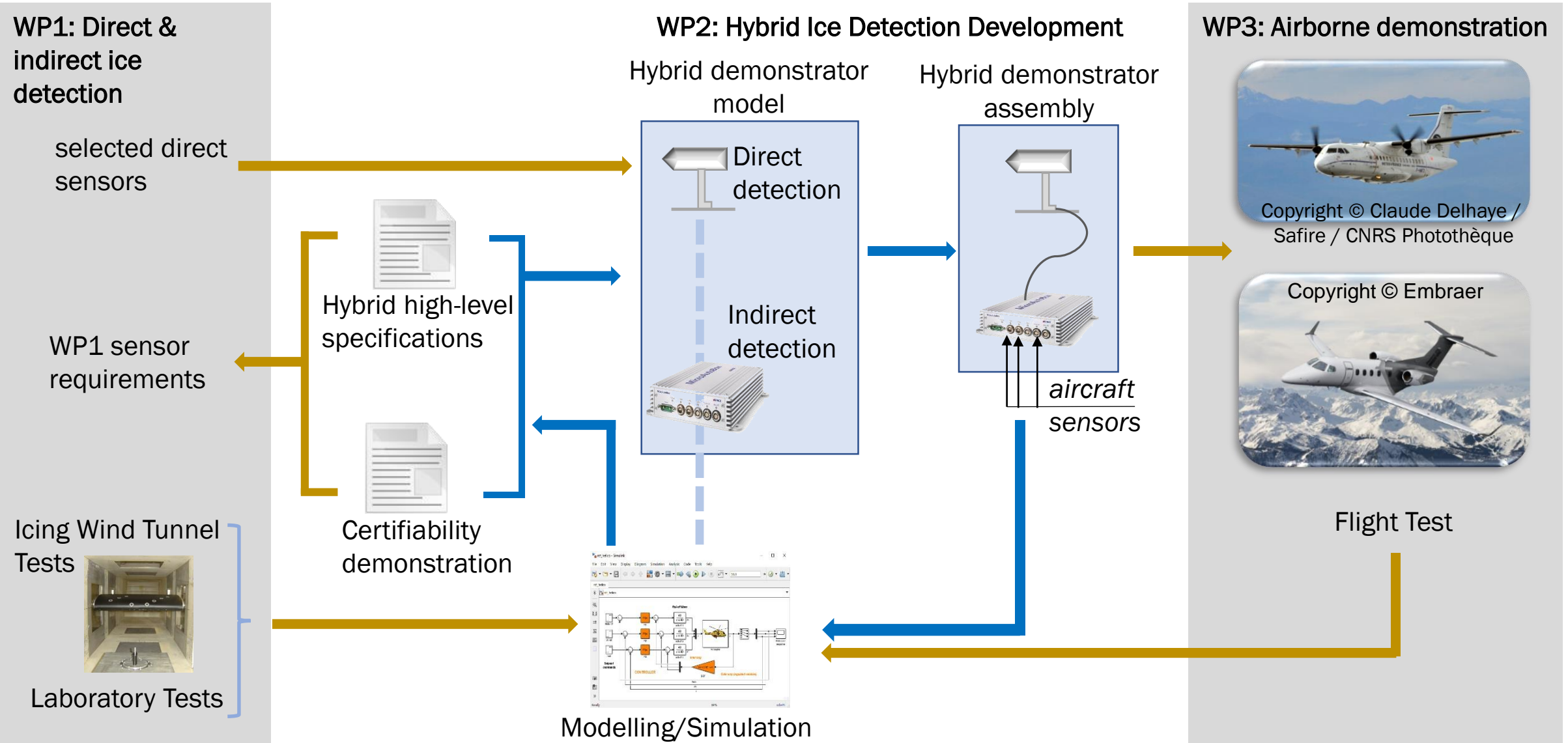
### Objectives for hybrid ice detection

1. Hybrid ice detection system specification
2. Certification programme for hybrid ice detection system
3. Hybrid ice detection system modelling
4. Hybrid ice detection design, build & assembly (+ TRL 5 review)

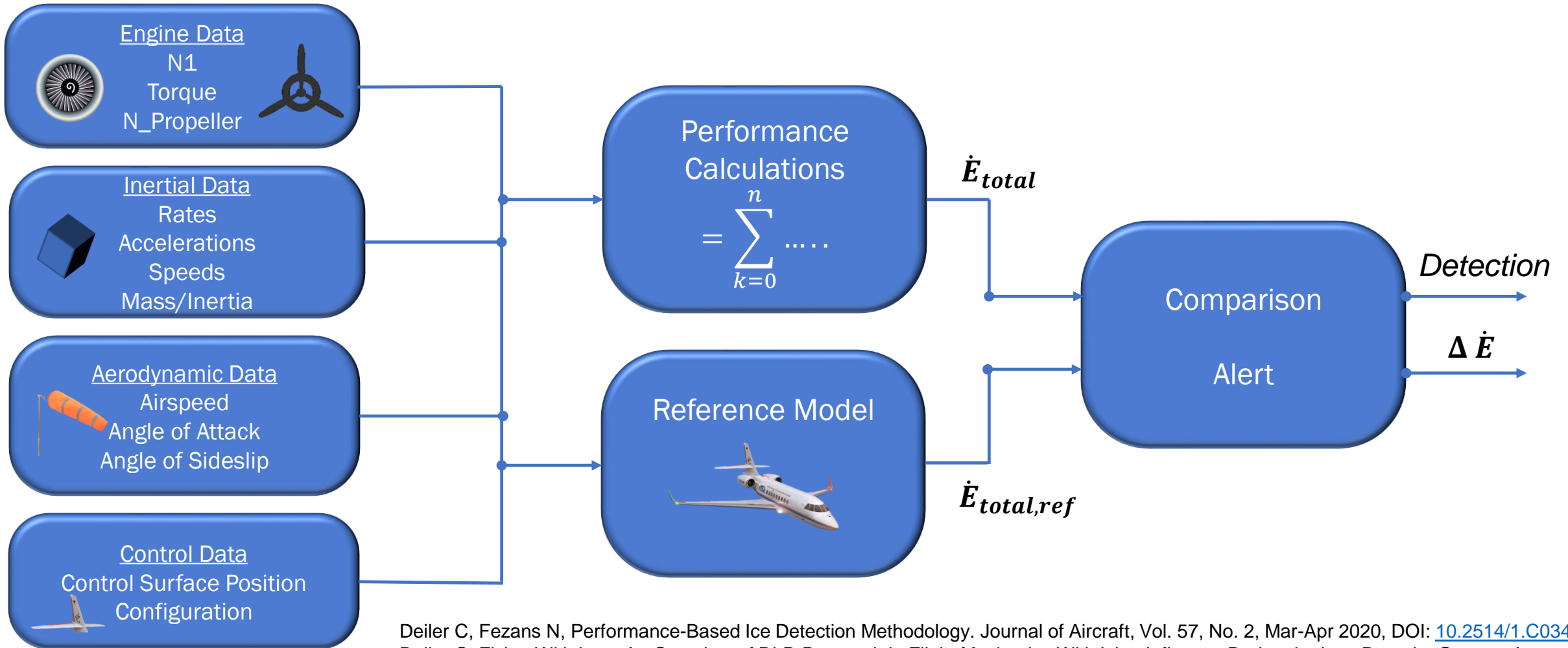
in close cooperation with OEMs and certification authorities during SENS4ICE



# WP2: Hybrid Ice Detection – Development Workflow



# DLR's Indirect Ice Detection – based on aircraft performance System Design

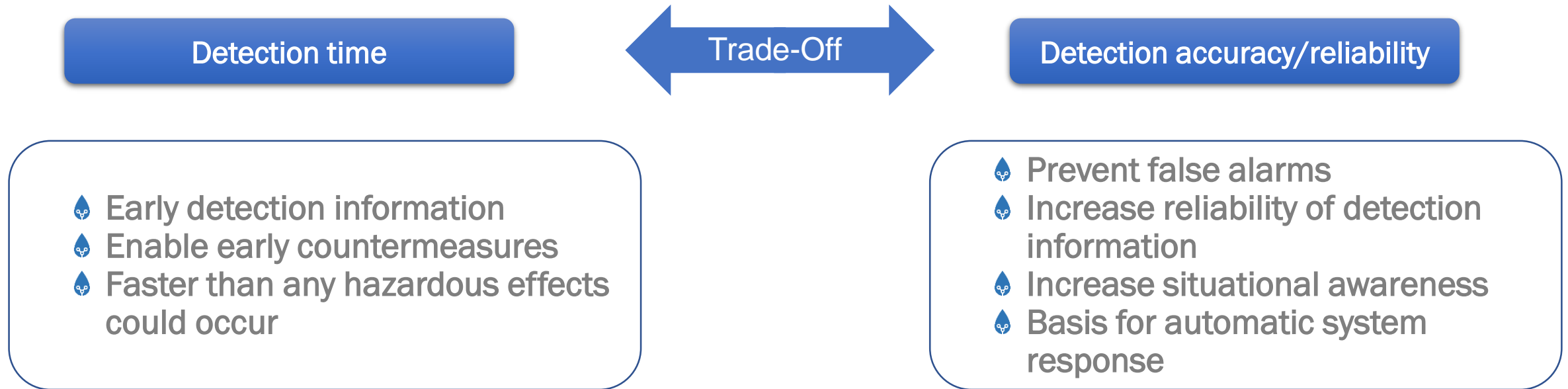


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# Indirect Ice Detection – System Performance

## Conflicting demands

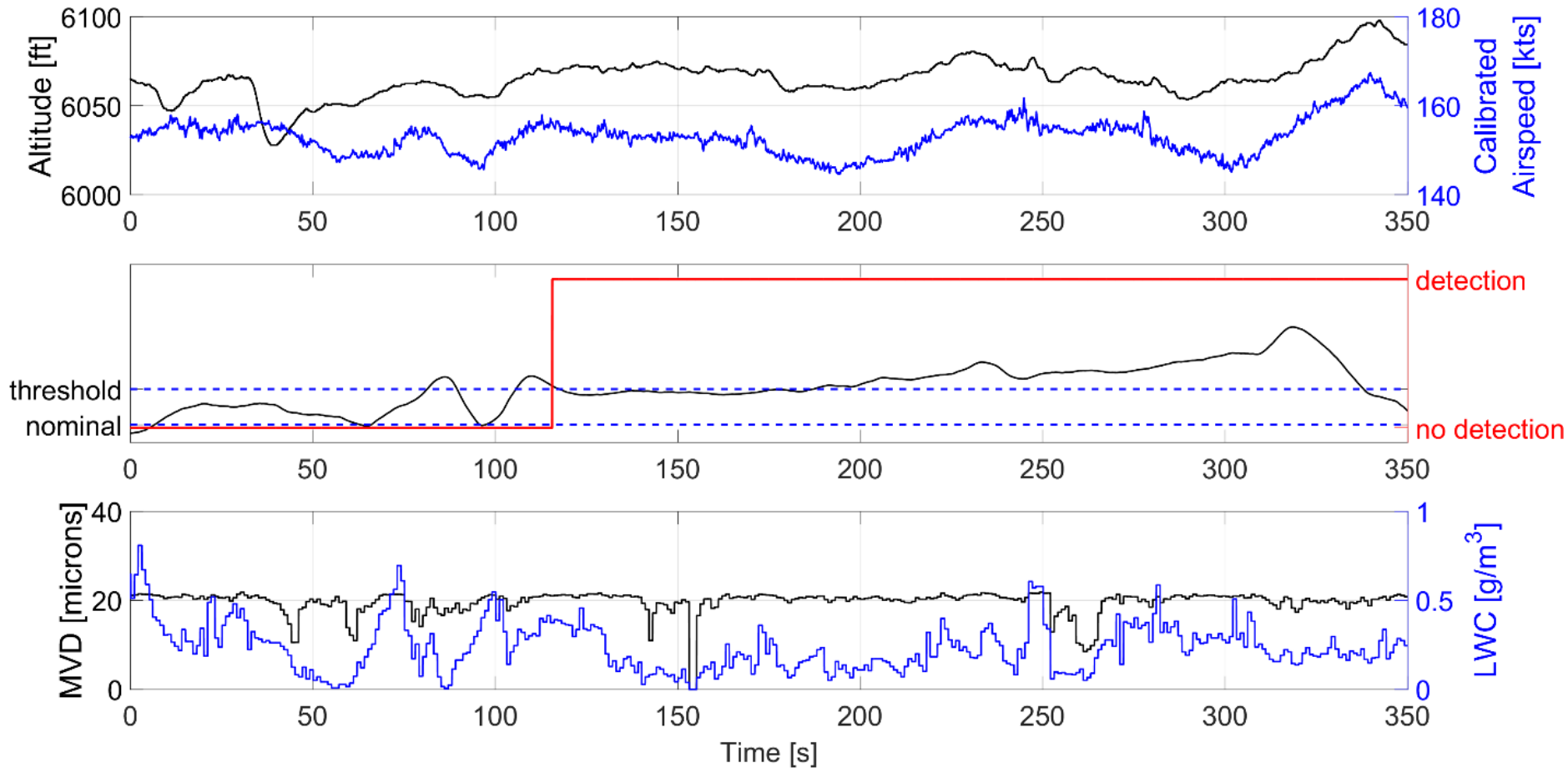


System is based on ice accretion effects on performance (continuous change, no significant step)

→ Determine a threshold that represents the necessary compromise



# Indirect Ice Detection – flight test data initial results



Indirect ice detection results based on pre-existing natural icing flight test data exhibiting relative drag increase above detection threshold [Embraer flight test data]



# WP3: Airborne demonstration and atmosphere characterisation

dedicated to airborne technology demonstration in relevant icing conditions

## Objectives

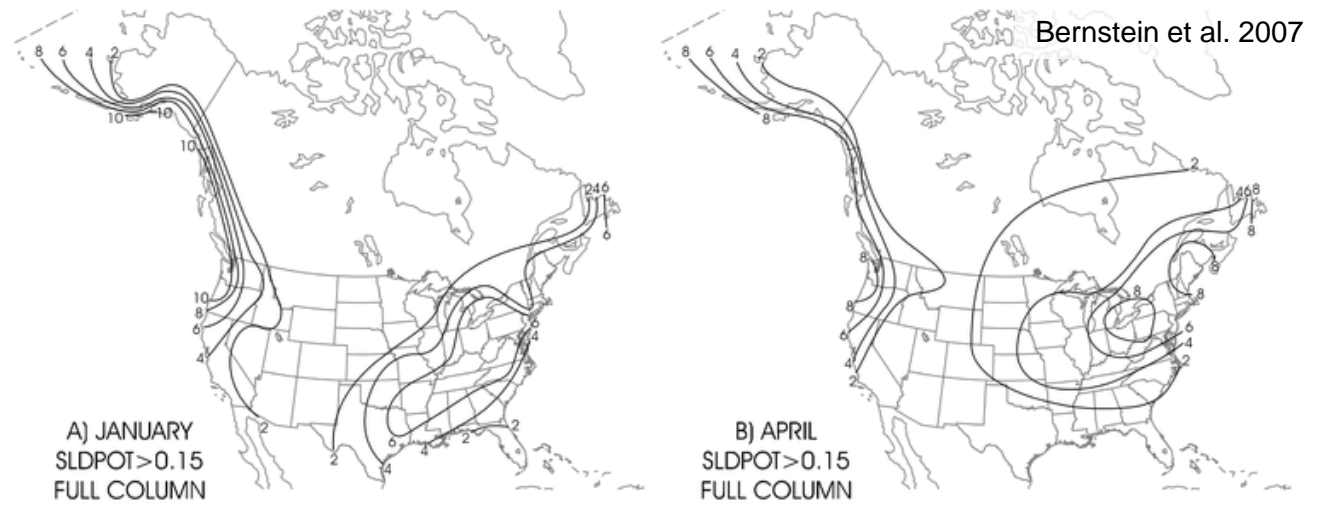
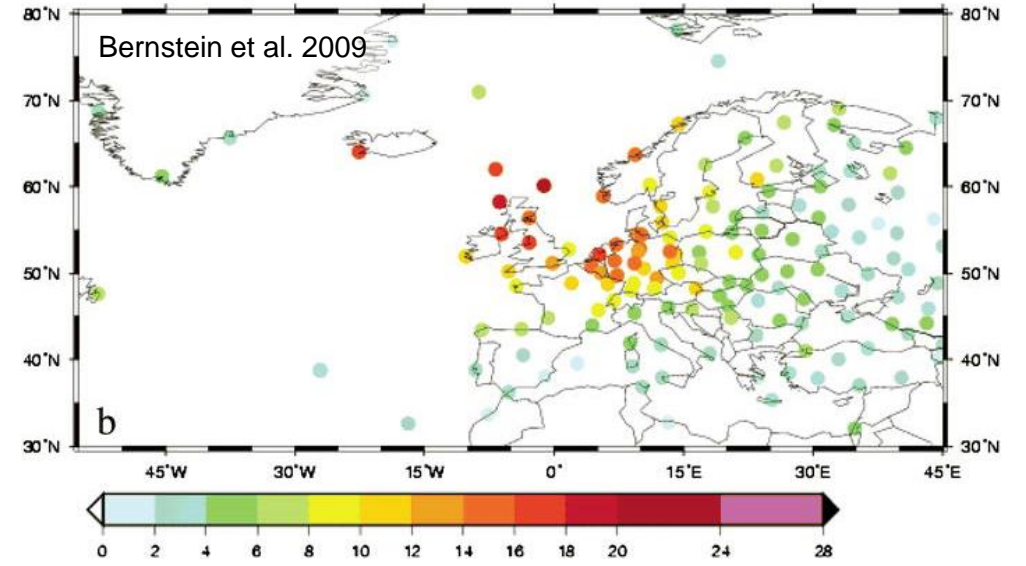
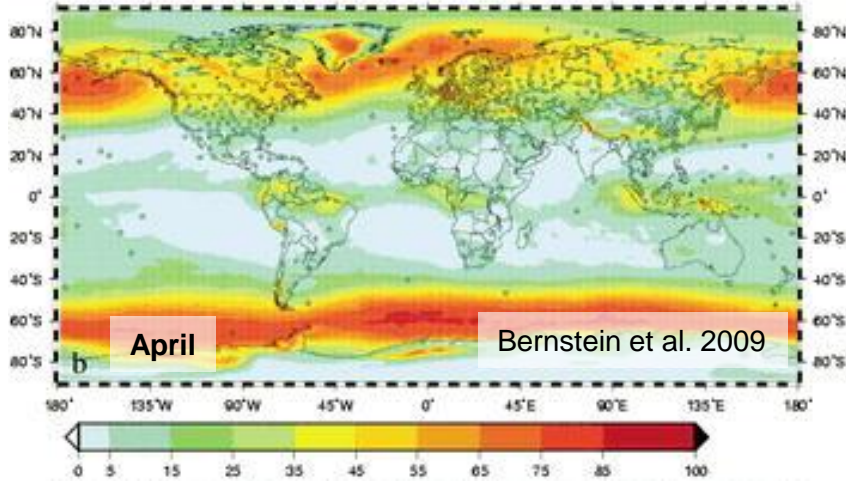
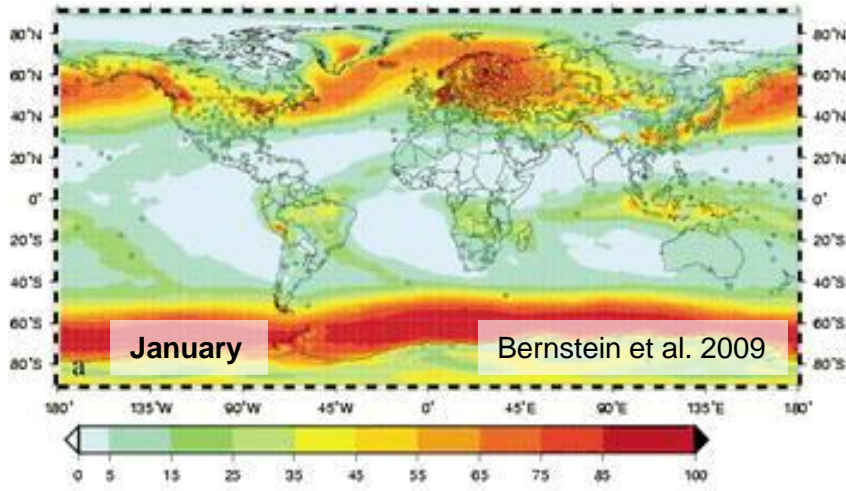
- Issue main requirements and constraints for integration of sensors and probes on flight test platforms
- Release flight test program for testing new individual and hybrid technologies in distinct icing conditions
- Perform airborne demonstration in natural icing conditions:
  - in Europe with the French ATR 42 environmental research aircraft of Safire
  - in North America with Embraer Phenom 300
- Characterisation of atmosphere from flight test campaigns in App. 0 conditions

Guidance by special Flight Test Committee (FTC) formed by platform providers and leaders of WP1, WP2 and WP4 to ensure harmonised preparation and execution of individual flight test campaigns





# Icing Frequencies Analysis

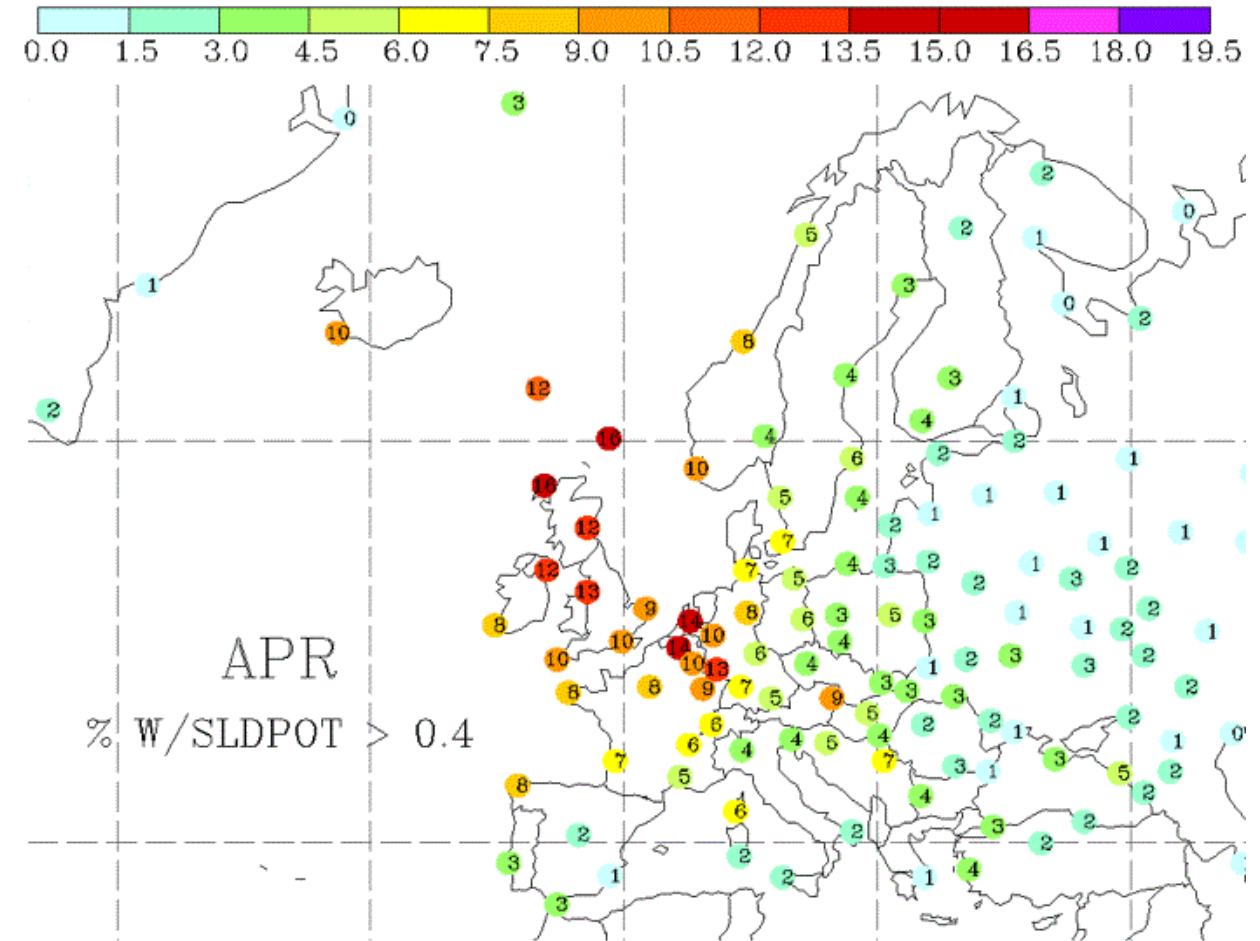
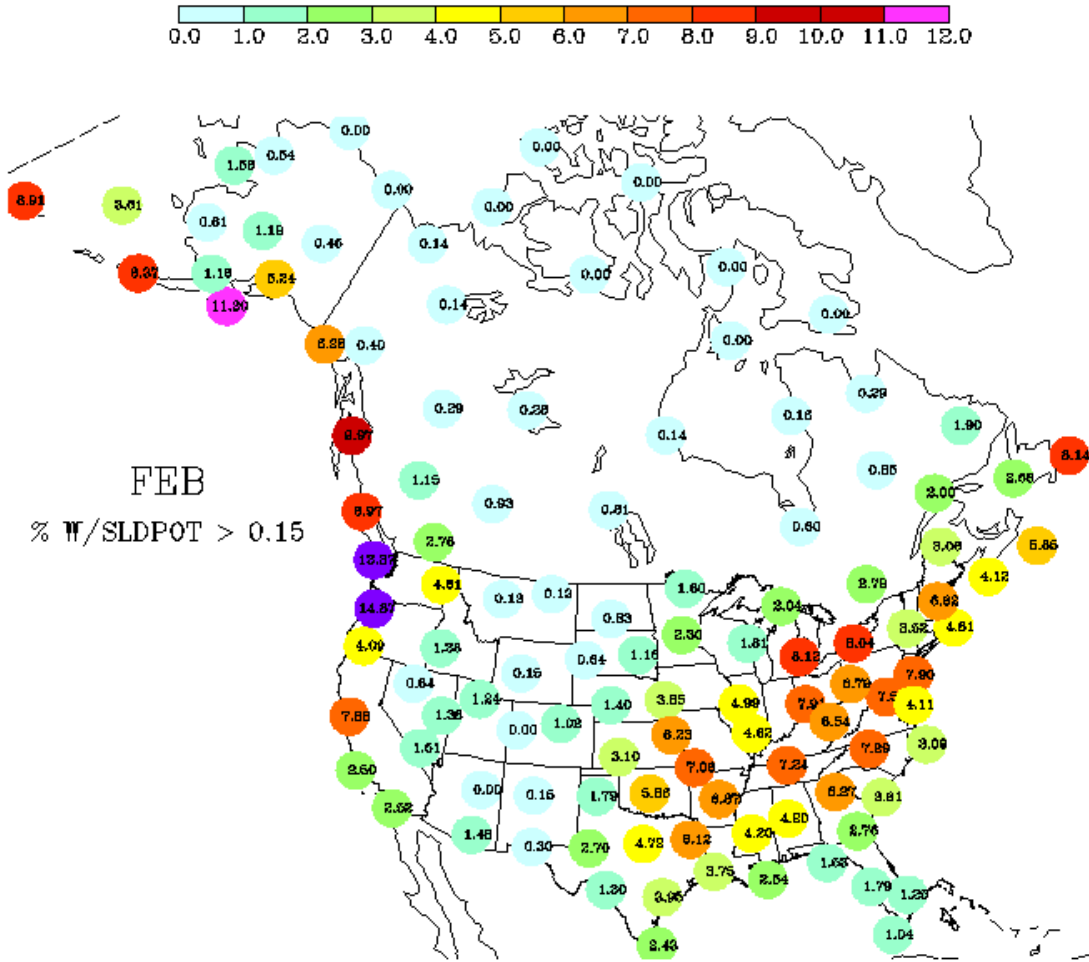


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# Icing Frequencies Analysis

## Full column frequencies of days with SLD potential [Ben Bernstein]

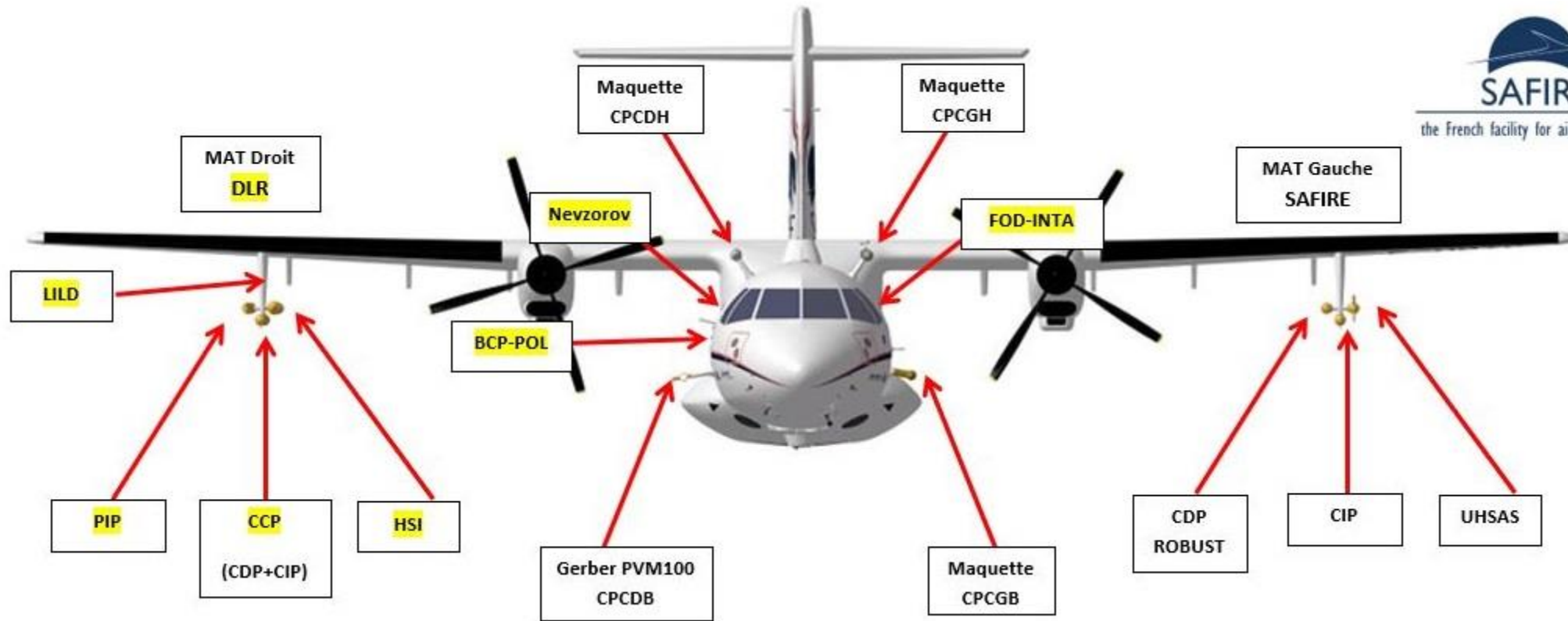


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# European flight campaign SAFIRE ATR 42

## Sensor locations – front view



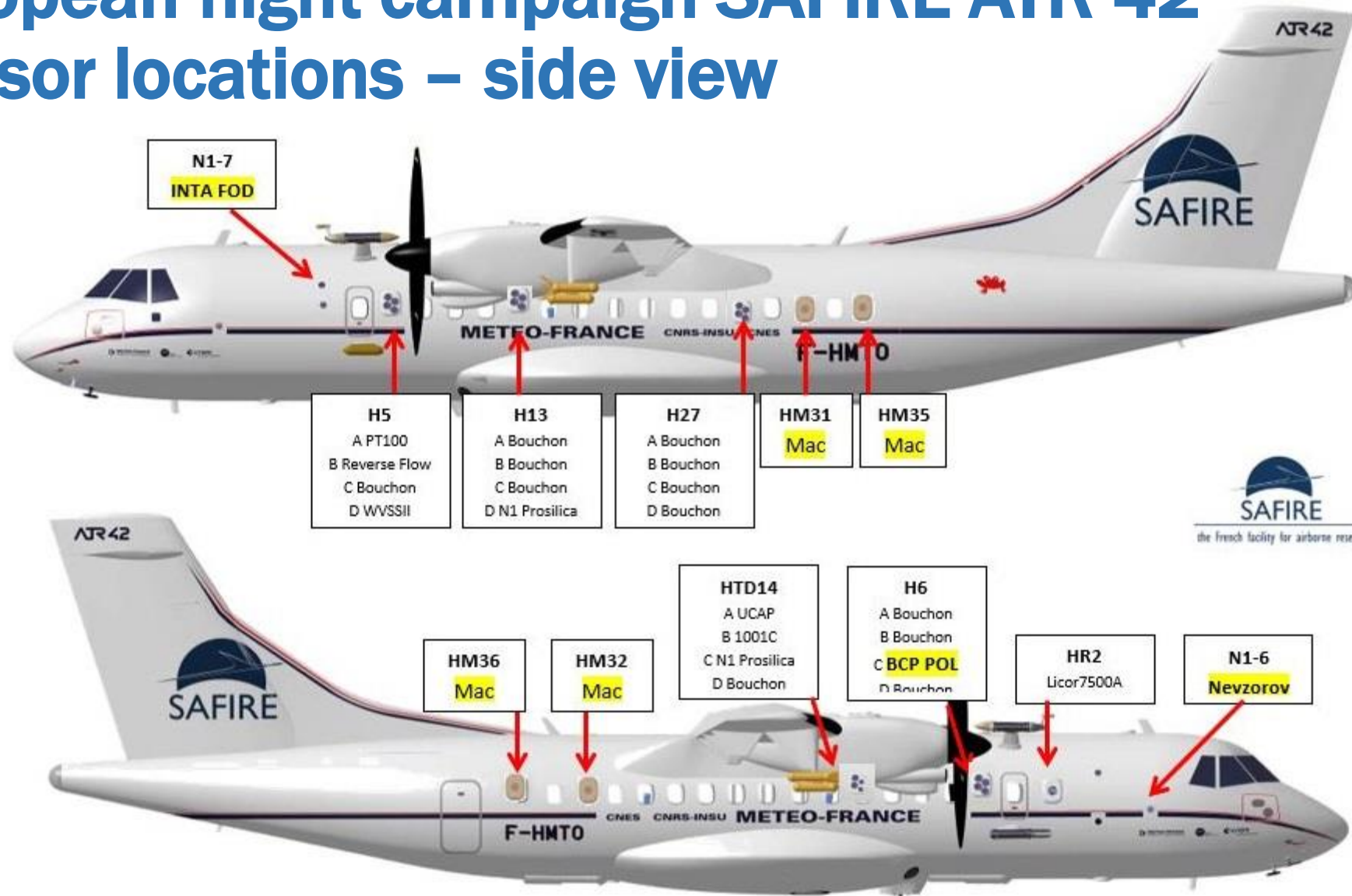
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## Sensor locations – side view



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**BACKUP**

# European flight campaign SAFIRE ATR 42

## Sensor installations

- ◆ SENS4ICE ice detection technologies tested with SAFIRE ATR 42
  - ◆ FOD - Fiber Optic Detector (INTA)
  - ◆ AMPERA - Atmospheric Measurement of Potential and ElectRic field on Aircraft (ONERA)
  - ◆ LILD - Local Ice Layer Detector (DLR)
  - ◆ CM2D - Cloud Multi-Detection Device (DLR)
  - ◆ HIDS - Hybrid Ice Detection System (Safran)
  - ◆ IIDS - Indirect Ice Detection System (DLR)
- ◆ SAFIRE ATR 42 with test sensors and reference instruments



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# North America flight campaign Embraer Phenom 300

with sensors installed during the SENS4ICE flight test campaign in North America, February-March 2023

💧 SENS4ICE ice detection technologies tested with Embraer Phenom 300

- 💧 AIP - Atmospheric Icing Patch (AeroTex)
- 💧 PFIDS - Primary in-Flight Icing Detection System (Safran)
- 💧 IDS - Ice Detection System (Collins)
- 💧 SRP - Short Range Particulate (Honeywell)
- 💧 HIDS - Hybrid Ice Detection System (Safran)
- 💧 IIDS - Indirect Ice Detection System (DLR)



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# SENS4ICE Flight Campaign North America

- February/March 2023
- Embraer Phenom 300 operated by Embraer
- 15 flights** with a total of **25 flight hours** (including ferry and check flights) successfully conducted targeting natural liquid water icing conditions and in particular SLD conditions
- total of **55 encounters** with icing clouds flown, ranging from about 2 min to about 7 min duration
- the higher the LWC the lower the exposure time
- icing encounters intended to be relatively short for safety reasons
- preliminary analysis: about 20% of flight time in icing conditions
- initial detailed analysis: 264 min in icing conditions, 37 min Appendix O conditions

No	Date	Flight duration [hrs]	Comment
1	22 FEB 2023	0:39	Check flight
2	23 FEB 2023	2:45	Appendix O
3	23 FEB 2023	1:12	Appendix C
4	25 FEB 2023	2:03	Appendix O
5	25 FEB 2023	1:37	Appendix C
6	01 MAR 2023	2:45	Appendix O
7	01 MAR 2023	2:12	Appendix O
8	06 MAR 2023	1:07	Appendix C
9	06 MAR 2023	-	Dry Air
10	08 MAR 2023	2:21	Appendix O
11	08 MAR 2023	0:40	Return to base
12	08 MAR 2023	-	Check flight
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14	10 MAR 2023	2:15	Appendix O
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# SENS4ICE Flight Campaign North America

📌 Ice accretion on windshield during SLD cloud encounter



time-lapse video - Credit Embraer

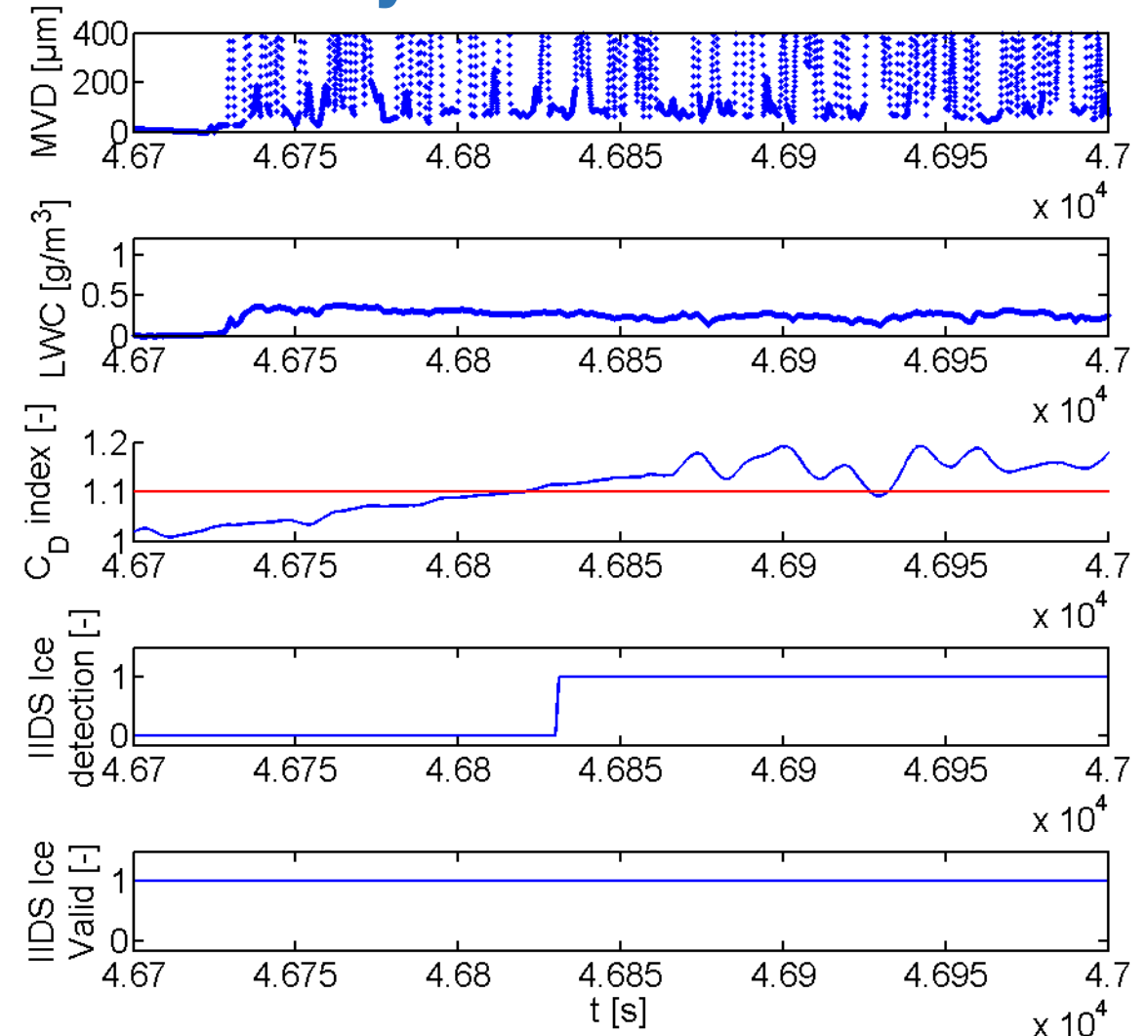




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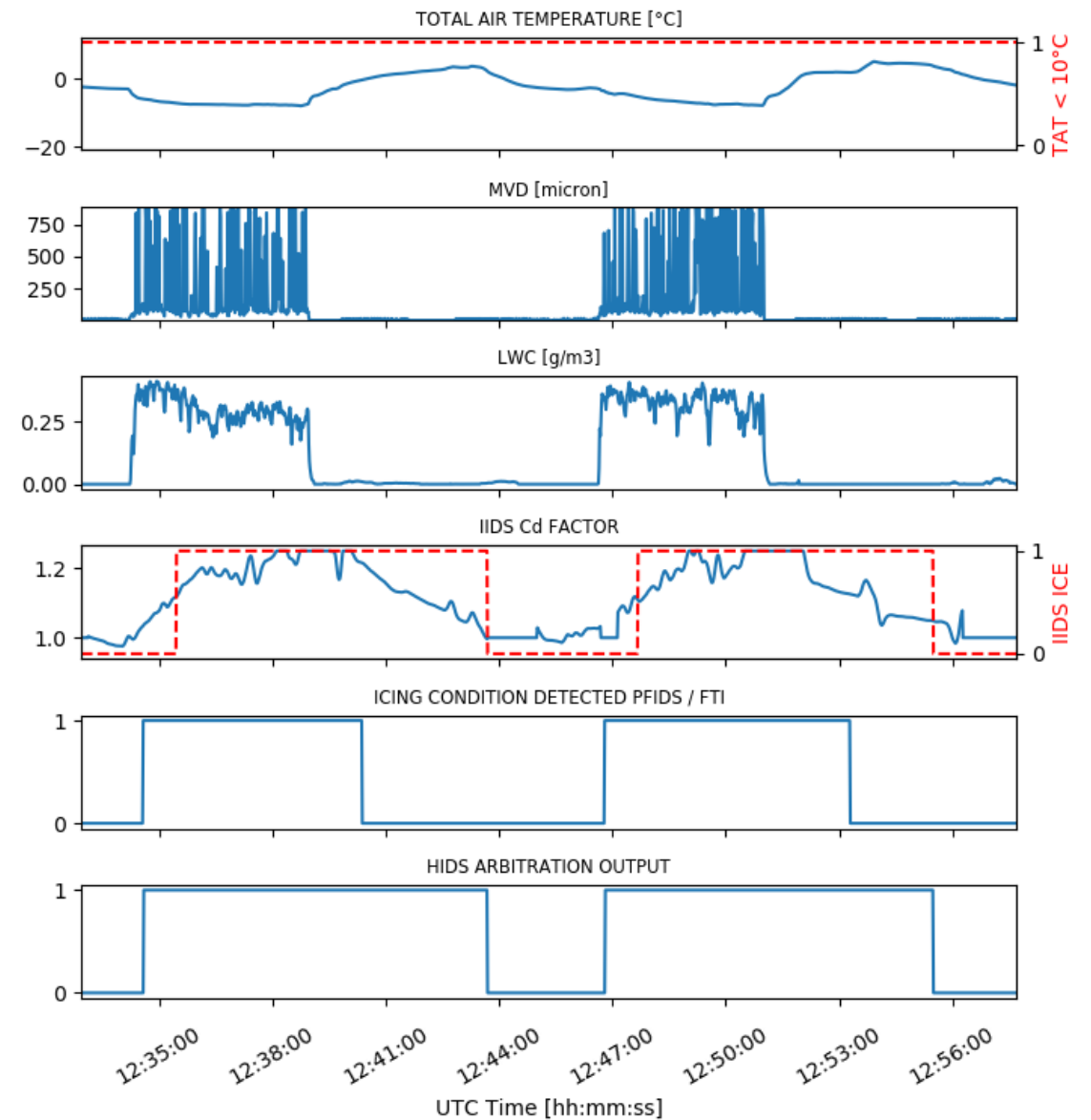
## Indirect Ice Detection – Preliminary Results

💧 IIDS (Indirect Ice Detection System) flight test 25 Feb 2023 outcome example based on preliminary analysis and compared to preliminary results for MVD and LWC



# SENS4ICE Flight Campaign North America Hybrid Ice Detection – Preliminary Results

◆ HIDS (Hybrid Ice Detection System), including IIDS (Indirect Ice Detection System), flight test 25 Feb 2023 outcome example based on preliminary analysis and compared to preliminary results for MVD and LWC



# SENS4ICE Flight Campaign Europe

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2	as230010	2023-04-04	2023-04-04 at 11:38:45 in Franczal	2023-04-04 at 12:53:28 in Hyeres
3	as230011	2023-04-04	2023-04-04 at 13:11:38 in Hyeres	2023-04-04 at 14:30:24 in Franczal
4	as230012	2023-04-06	2023-04-06 at 07:14:08 in Franczal	2023-04-06 at 07:40:33 in Franczal
5	as230013	2023-04-14	2023-04-14 at 04:36:47 in Franczal	2023-04-14 at 09:29:43 in Franczal
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7	as230015	2023-04-18	2023-04-18 at 13:56:21 in Franczal	2023-04-18 at 17:05:24 in Franczal
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 based on public Safire website <https://safireplus.aeris-data.fr/data-access>

Airborne data was obtained using the aircraft managed by Safire, the French facility for airborne research, an infrastructure of the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS), Météo-France and the French National Center for Space Studies (CNES). Distributed data are processed by SAFIRE.



# SENS4ICE Flight Campaign Europe

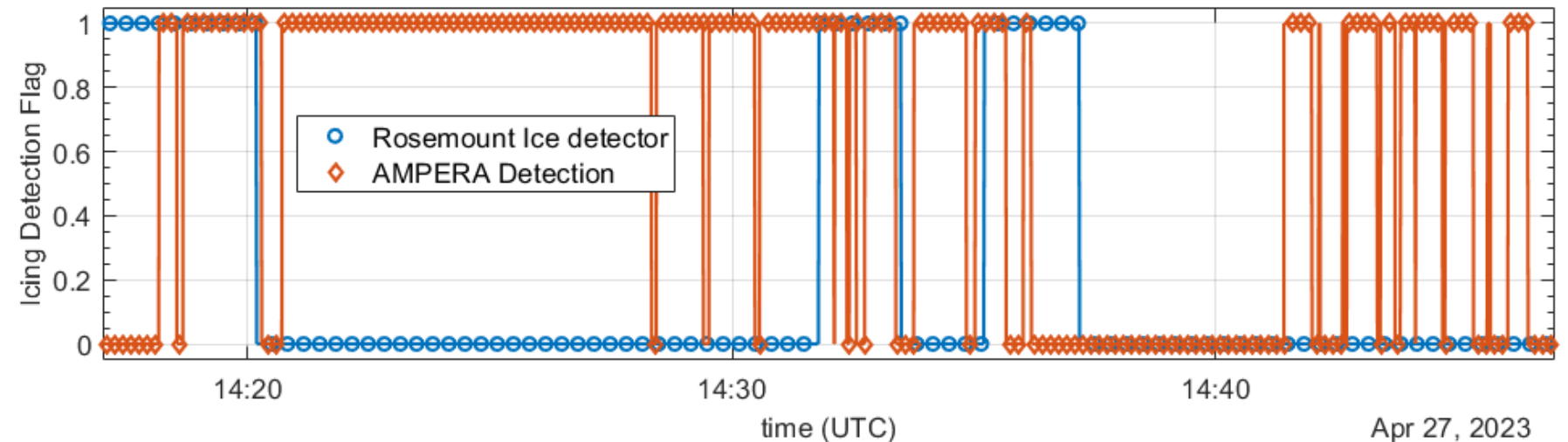
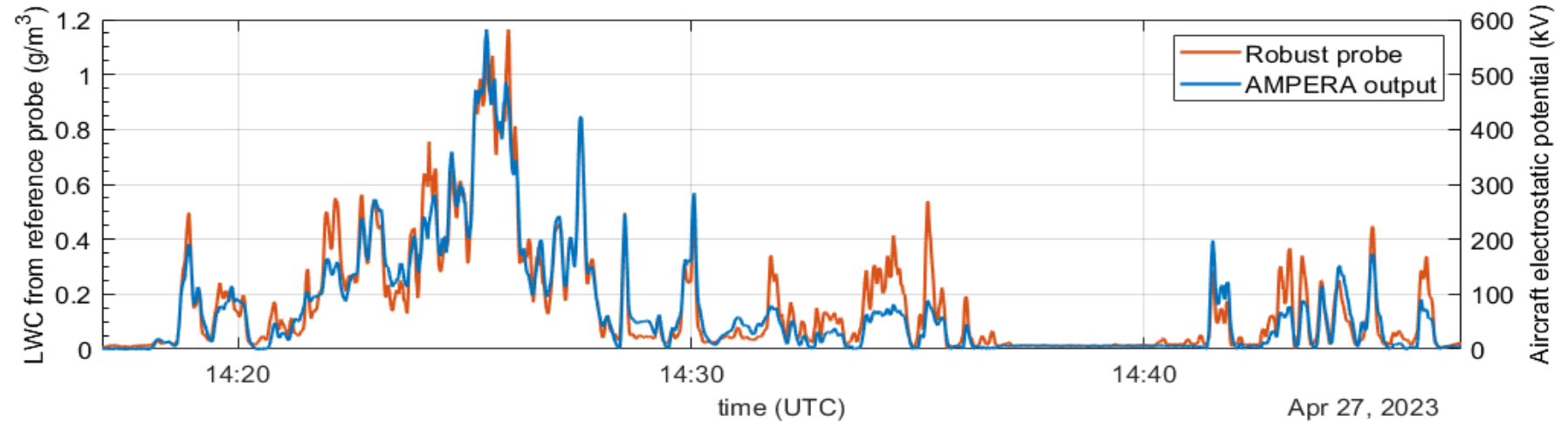
💧 SAFIRE ATR 42 horizontal tail with ice accretion [image DLR with Safire permission]



# SENS4ICE Europe flight campaign

## AMPERA / ONERA

- ◆ LWC and Aircraft electrostatic potential comparison – strong correlation (upper figure)
- ◆ AMPERA atmospheric icing flag and Rosemount Ice accretion flag – good agreement / higher sensitivity (lower figure)
- ◆ very robust measurement
- ◆ response time of about 1s (enter/exit clouds)
- ◆ [SAE 2023 23ICE-0108 Martins et al.]



# SENS4ICE North America flight campaign

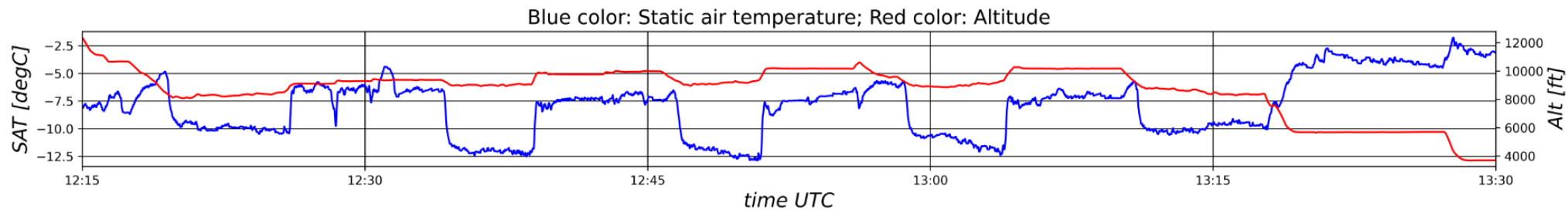
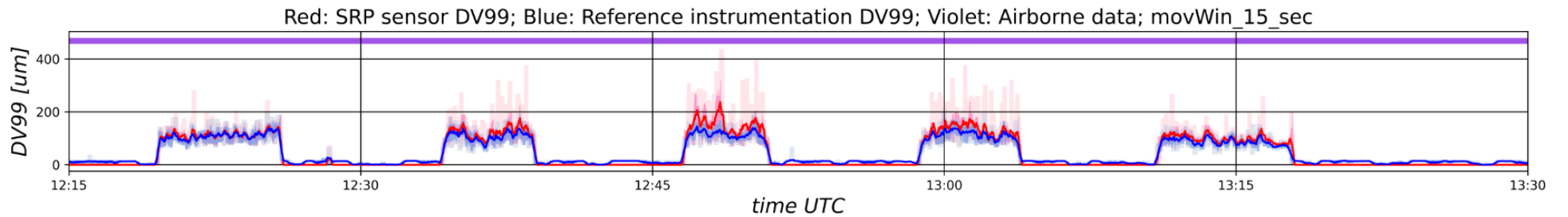
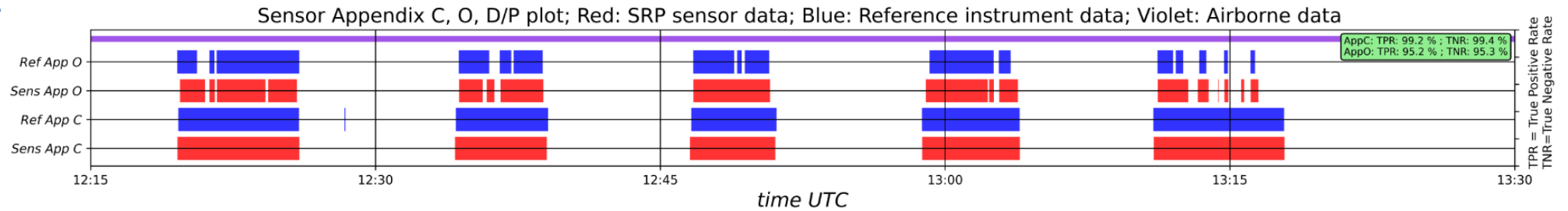
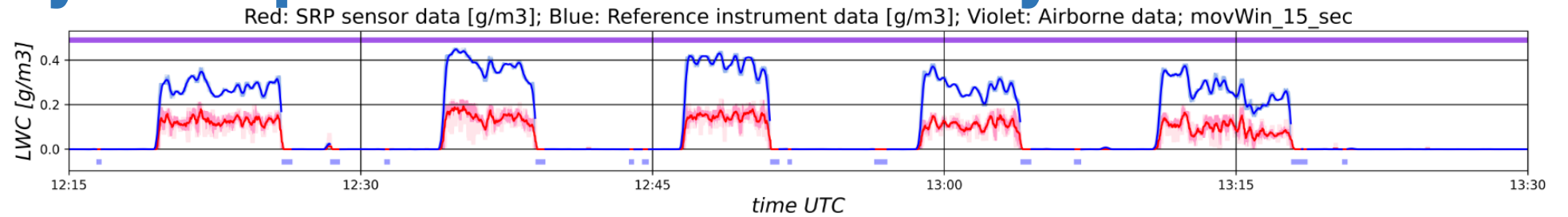
## SRP / Honeywell optical sensor data analysis

Flight 1476

No collection efficiency corrections applied, sensor non-linearities corrections not applied, better results expected

[SAE 2023 23ICE-0105 Hamada]

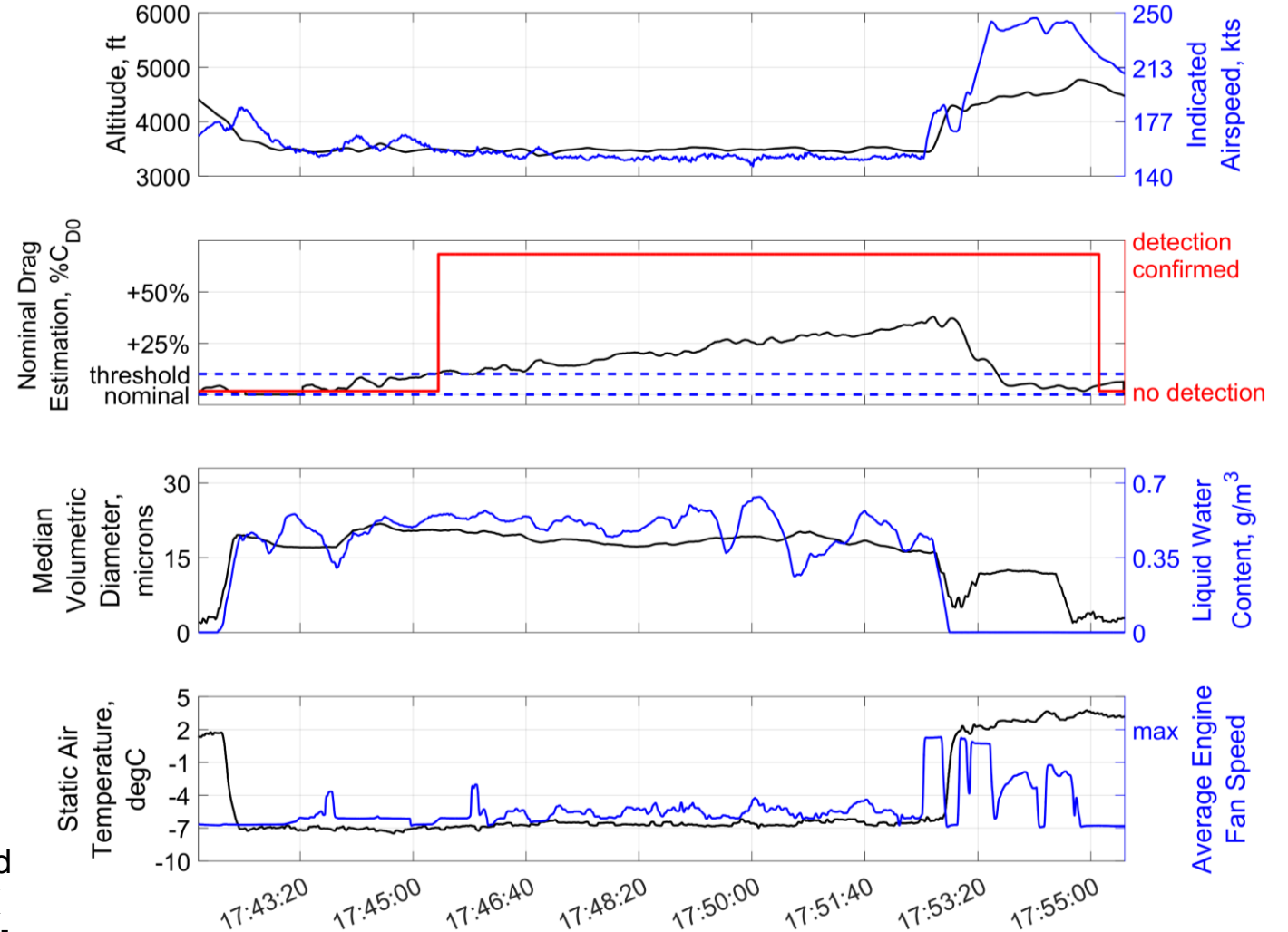
[Figure courtesy of Honeywell]



# SENS4ICE North America flight campaign

## IIDS system performance

- example 23 FEB 2023, 17:41:49 UTC - 17:55:29 UTC
- figure 1: altitude and indicated airspeed
- figure 2: nominal drag estimation and IIDS detection output
- figure 3: MVD and LWC of encountered icing conditions
- figure 4: static air temperature and average engine fan speed
- detection threshold at 10 % relative drag increase



[Deiler, C., "Testing of an Indirect Ice Detection Methodology in the Horizon 2020 Project SENS4ICE", Deutscher Luft- und Raumfahrtkongress (German Aerospace Conference) DLRK 2023, Stuttgart, Germany, September 2023. Paper No. 0048]



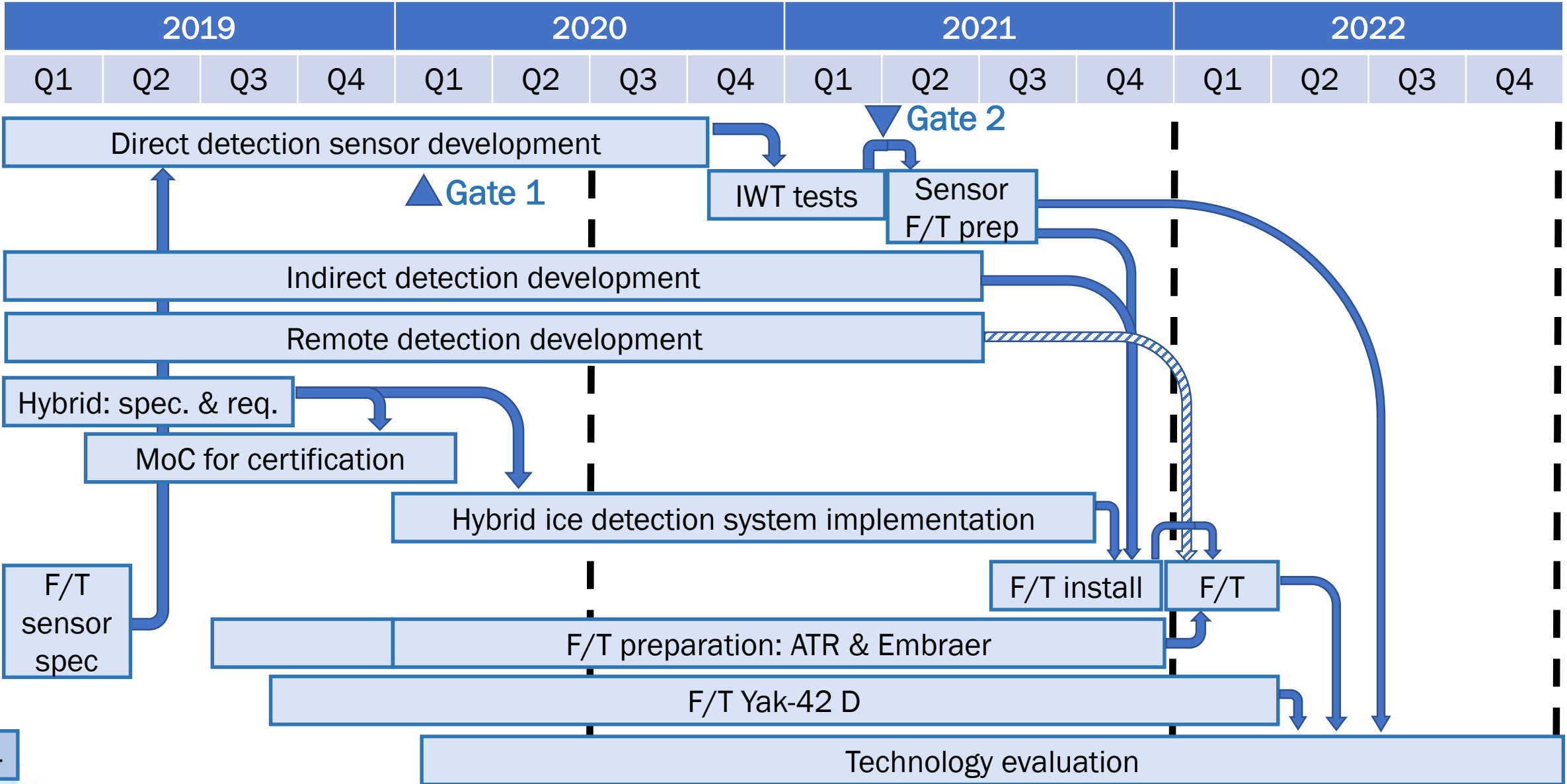
# Summary

- 💧 EU project SENS4ICE: increase flight safety in icing / especially SLD conditions and enhance knowledge base for Appendix O conditions
- 💧 Icing detection technologies developed specifically aiming at Appendix O icing conditions
- 💧 Icing wind tunnels enhanced capabilities for representing Appendix O conditions
- 💧 Direct ice detection sensors tested successfully in icing wind tunnels under both Appendix O and Appendix C conditions
- 💧 Hybrid ice detection system under development, incorporating a performance-based indirect ice detection system
- 💧 Two flight campaigns successfully conducted early 2023
  - 💧 test ice detection technologies under natural icing conditions
  - 💧 focus on Appendix O
  - 💧 promising initial results: encountered icing conditions, sensor detection behavior and hybrid ice detection system performance including indirect ice detection system





# SENS4ICE Timescale (simplified Gantt – original/ 4 years)



# SENS4ICE Timescale (simplified Gantt - extended/ 5 years)

