FLIGHT SUMMARY REPORT

Flight Number:

95-068

Calendar/Julian Date: 24 March 1995 • 083

Sensor Package:

Wild-Heerbrugg RC-10 Multispectral Atmospheric Mapping Sensor (MAMS)

Area(s) Covered:

Monterey Bay Area

Investigator(s): Functional Sensor

Aircraft #: 708

SENSOR DATA

Accession #:

04898

Sensor ID #:

031

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Sensor Type:

RC-10

MAMS

Focal Length:

153.05 mm

Film Type:

Panatomic-X Aerographic II 2414

Filtration:

Wratten 12

Spectral Band:

510-700 nm

f Stop:

5.6

Shutter Speed:

1/250

of Frames:

% Overlap:

8 80

Quality:

Excellent

Good

Remarks:

Airborne Science and Applications Program

The Airborne Science and Applications Program (ASAP) is supported by three ER-2 high altitude Earth Resources Survey aircraft. These aircraft are operated by the High Altitude Missions Branch at NASA-Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, California. The ER-2s are used as readily deployable high altitude sensor platforms to collect remote sensing and *in situ* data on earth resources, celestial phenomena, atmospheric dynamics, and oceanic processes. Additionally, these aircraft are used for electronic sensor research and development and satellite investigative support.

The ER-2s are flown from various deployment sites in support of scientific research sponsored by NASA and other federal, state, university, and industry investigators. Data are collected from deployment sites in Kansas, Texas, Virginia, Florida, and Alaska. Cooperative international scientific projects have deployed the aircraft to sites in Great Britain, Australia, Chile, and Norway.

Photographic and digital imaging sensors are flown aboard the ER-2s in support of research objectives defined by the sponsoring investigators. High resolution mapping cameras and digital multispectral imaging sensors are utilized in a variety of configurations in the ER-2s' four pressurized experiment compartments. The following provides a description of the digital multispectral sensor(s) and camera(s) used for data collection during this flight.

Multispectral Atmospheric Mapping Sensor

The Multispectral Atmospheric Mapping Sensor (MAMS) is a modified Daedalus Scanner flown aboard the ER-2 aircraft. It is designed to study weather related phenomena including storm system structure, cloud-top temperatures, and upper atmosphere water vapor. The scanner retains the eight silicon-detector channels in the visible/near-infrared region found on the Daedalus Thematic Mapper Simulator, with the addition of four channels in the thermal infrared relating to specific water vapor features. The specific bands are as follows:

Wavelength, um
LSBs for Channels 9-12
0.45 - 0.52
0.52 - 0.60
0.57 - 0.67
0.60 - 0.73
0.65 - 0.83
0.72 - 0.99
0.83 - 1.05
3.55 - 3.93 low range
3.55 - 3.93 high range
10.3 - 12.1
12.5 - 12.8

Sensor specifications are as follows:

IFOV:	5.0 mrad
Ground Resolution:	325 feet (99 meters) at 65,000 feet
Total Scan Angle:	86°
Swath Width:	20 nmi (37 km) at 65,000 feet
Pixels/Scan Line:	716
Scan Rate:	6.25 scans/second

Ground Speed: Digitization:

400 kts (206 m/second) 8-bit channels 2-8 10-bit channels 9-12

The data will not be archived at EROS Data Center because this is an experimental system with low spatial resolution and unique spectral characteristics. As all scenes will be primarily cloud-covered there would be little terrestrial application for the data. Further information concerning the data can be obtained from principal investigator, Gregory S. Wilson, Atmospheric Effects Branch, George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Marshall Space Flight Center, Alabama 35812-5001.

Camera Systems

Various camera systems and films are used for photographic data collection. Film types include high definition color infrared, natural color, and black and white emulsions. Available photographic systems are as follows:

- Wild-Heerbrugg RC-10 metric mapping camera
 - 9 x 9 inch film format
 - 6 inch focal length lens provides area coverage of 16 x 16 nautical miles from 65,000 feet
 - 12 inch focal length lens provides area coverage of 8 x 8 nautical miles from 65,000 feet
- Hycon HR-732 large scale mapping camera
 - 9 x 18 inch film format
 - 24 inch focal length lens provides area coverage of 4 x 8 nautical miles from 65,000 feet
- IRIS II Panoramic camera
 - 4.5 x 34.7 inch film format
 - 24 inch focal length lens
 - 90 degree field of view provides area coverage of 2 x 21.4 nautical miles from 65.000 feet

The U.S. Geological Survey's EROS Data Center at Sioux Falls, South Dakota serves as the archive and product distribution facility for NASA-Ames aircraft acquired photographic and digital imagery. For information regarding photography and digital data (including areas of coverage, products, and product costs) contact EROS Data Center, Customer Services, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57198 (Telephone: 605-594-6151).

Additional information regarding ER-2 acquired photographic and digital data is available through the Aircraft Data Facility at Ames Research Center. For specific information regarding flight documentation, sensor parameters, and areas of coverage contact the Aircraft Data Facility, NASA-Ames Research Center, Mail Stop 240-6, Moffett Field, California 94035-1000 (Telephone: 415-604-6252).

CAMERA FLIGHT LINE DATA FLIGHT NO. 95-068

Accession # 04898

Sensor # 031

Frame		Time (GMT-hr, min, sec)	min, sec)	Altitude, MSL	
Numbers START	START	_	END	feet/meters	Cloud Cover/Remarks
8563-8570 19:20:30	19:20:30		19:23:46	56000/17069	30-40% scattered cumulus

MAMS SCANNER FLIGHT LINE DATA FLIGHT NO. 95-068

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total Interpolatec scanlines	Ø
total Good scanlines	12438
Scan Speed (rps)	6.25
Altitude feet/meter	56000/17068 6.25
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Check Points	A-B

