

P-3 Orion 05/10/17

Aircraft:

P-3 Orion - WFF ([See full schedule](#))

Flight Number:

Science Flight #38-Umanaq B (High Priority)

Payload Configuration:

OIB Arctic

Nav Data Collected:

No

Total Flight Time:

8 hours

Submitted by:

Cate Easmunt on 05/10/17

Flight Segments:

From:	BGSF	To:	BGSF
Start:	05/10/17 10:19 Z	Finish:	05/10/17 18:20 Z
Flight Time:	8 hours		
Log Number:	17P006	PI:	Nathan Kurtz
Funding Source:	Bruce Tagg - NASA - SMD - ESD Airborne Science Program		
Purpose of Flight:	Science		

Flight Hour Summary:

	17P006
Flight Hours Approved in SOFRS	333.6
Total Used	332
Total Remaining	1.6

17P006 Flight Reports

Date	Flt #	Purpose of Flight	Duration	Running Total	Hours Remaining	Miles Flown
02/24/17	Airworthiness Test Flight	Check	1	1	332.6	
02/26/17	Project Test Flight #1	Check	4.9	5.9	327.7	
02/27/17	Project Test Flight #2	Check	3	8.9	324.7	
03/07/17	Transit Flight	Transit	8.2	17.1	316.5	
03/09/17	Science Flight #1 - North Pole Transect	Science	8	25.1	308.5	
03/10/17	Science Flight #2 - Laxon Line	Science	8.5	33.6	300	
03/11/17 - 03/12/17	Science Flight #3 - Chukchi West Line	Science	8	41.6	292	
03/12/17 - 03/13/17	Science Flight #4 - North Beaufort Loop Line	Science	8.1	49.7	283.9	
03/14/17 - 03/15/17	Science Flight #5 - East Beaufort Loop Line	Science	8	57.7	275.9	
03/20/17	Science Flight #6 - Sea Ice South Basin Transect (to Thule)	Science	8.1	65.8	267.8	
03/22/17	Science Flight #7 - North Flux 02	Science	7.9	73.7	259.9	
03/23/17	Science Flight #8 - Zig Zag West Line	Science	7.9	81.6	252	
03/24/17	Science Flight #9 - CryoVEx Line	Science	5.8	87.4	246.2	
03/27/17	Science Flight #10 - Northwest Coastal A Line	Science	7.4	94.8	238.8	
03/28/17	Science Flight #11 - North Central Cap 01 Line	Science	7.6	102.4	231.2	
03/29/17	Science Flight #12 - Ellesemere Island 01 Line	Science	7.6	110	223.6	

03/30/17	Science Flight #13 - Ellesemere South Line	Science	7.9	117.9	215.7
03/31/17	Science Flight #14- Alexander-Petermann Line	Science	6.5	124.4	209.2
04/03/17	Science Flight #15- Zachariae 79N Fram Straight and BGTL ENSB Transit	Science	7.4	131.8	201.8
04/05/17	Science Flight #16 - Svalbard North Line (High Priority)	Science	7	138.8	194.8
04/06/17	Science Flight #17- Svalbard South Mission (High Priority)	Science	8.5	147.3	186.3
04/07/17	Science Flight #18- Combined Zig Zag East Mission and Transit ENSB to BGTL	Science	8.3	155.6	178
04/10/17	Science Flight #19- North Central Gap 3	Science	7.8	163.4	170.2
04/11/17	Science Flight #20- CryoVex 2 (High Priority)	Science	7.8	171.2	162.4
04/12/17	Science Flight #21-Northwest Coastal C	Science	7.2	178.4	155.2
04/13/17	Science Flight #22-North Glaciers 02 Prime (High Priority)	Science	8.2	186.6	147
04/14/17	Science Flight #23-IceSat-2 North/CryoSat-2 SARIn	Science	7	193.6	140
04/17/17	Science Flight #24-Humboldt 01(High Priority)	Science	7.8	201.4	132.2
04/19/17	Science Flight #25-Sea Ice - South Canada Basin (MediumPriority)	Science	7.8	209.2	124.4
04/20/17	Transit Flight to Kangerlussuaq	Transit	3	212.2	121.4
04/21/17	Science Flight #26-Southeast Coastal	Science	8	220.2	113.4
04/22/17	Science Flight #27-Helheim-Kangerd	Science	7.8	228	105.6
04/24/17	Science Flight #28-Geikie 01 (High Priority)	Science	8	236	97.6
04/26/17	Science Flight #29-Devon-Bylot (Medium Priority)	Science	7.9	243.9	89.7
04/28/17	Science Flight #30-Penny 01 (Medium Priority)	Science	6	249.9	83.7
04/29/17	Science Flight #31-Thomas - Jakobshavn 01	Science	8.4	258.3	75.3
05/01/17	Science Flight #32-Thomas - Jakobshavn-Eqip-Store	Science	8.4	266.7	66.9
05/02/17	Science Flight #33-Thomas - ICESat-2 Central	Science	7.9	274.6	59
05/03/17	Science Flight #34-Thomas - Southwest Coastal A	Science	8.3	282.9	50.7
05/05/17	Science Flight #35-Helheim-Kangerdlugssuaq Gap B (High Priority)	Science	8.2	291.1	42.5
05/06/17	Science Flight #36-Helheim-K-EGIG-Summit	Science	8	299.1	34.5
05/08/17	Science Flight #37-Southeast Glaciers 01 (High Priority)	Science	8	307.1	26.5
05/10/17	Science Flight #38-Umanaq B (High Priority)	Science	8	315.1	18.5
05/11/17	Science Flight #39-ICESat-2 South (High Priority)	Science	8.1	323.2	10.4
05/12/17	Science Flight #40-Nuuk Fjords	Science	1.8	325	8.6

05/13/17	Transit Flight to Dover DE (to clear customs)	Transit	6.4	331.4	2.2
05/13/17	Transit Flight to Wallops Flight Facility	Transit	0.6	332	1.6

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Related Science Report:

OIB - P-3 Orion 05/10/17 Science Report

Mission:

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Mission Summary:

Mission: Umanaq B (priority: high; last flown: 2016)

This mission is designed (along with Umanaq A) to re-fly the 2012 Umanaq coast-parallel grid with a pair of interlaced missions. This mission by itself reoccupies a grid spaced at 10 km near the coast, widening to 20 km upstream. The two flights together establish a grid at half this spacing. We also re-fly a pair of 2012 lines over the Disko Island ice cap, and another 2016 line over the Nuussuaq Peninsula. This flight retains a high priority for 2017 because it continues an intra-annual time series with the spring and fall 2015 campaigns along these lines.

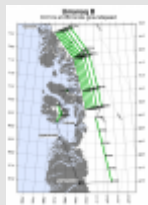
Several mission options became available to us today with clearing weather in Greenland, but we selected Umanaq B to fill in a gap in our present spatial coverage and for its compatibility with future summer melt campaign missions. Skies were mostly clear all day, with only intermittent high clouds. The two ice caps and many outlet glaciers were crossed as we progressed along the fluxgates up-glacier. ATM T5 was briefly knocked out of alignment by minor turbulence, but was soon restored into operation. Otherwise, all instruments performed well. Two visitors from the Danish EGRIP team (Marie and Nicolaj) joined us for this flight.

Attached images:

1. Map of today's mission (John Sonntag / NASA)
2. Melt ponds kicking off the melt season on the ice-sheet surface (John Sonntag / NASA)
3. Elongated glacial landforms in west Greenland (John Sonntag / NASA)
4. The broad channel of Uniamako Glacier (John Sonntag / NASA)

Images:

Map of today's mission



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