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00:00:01,000 --> 00:00:02,720



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00:00:02,720 --> 00:00:04,280
>>This is a lab.

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00:00:05,240 --> 00:00:07,000
Measuring instrumentation,

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00:00:07,000 --> 00:00:08,000
probes,

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00:00:08,000 --> 00:00:09,080
sensors,

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00:00:09,080 --> 00:00:10,960
gas and liquid chemicals,

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00:00:10,960 --> 00:00:12,320
computers...

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00:00:13,440 --> 00:00:15,240
Yeah! This is a lab...

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00:00:15,720 --> 00:00:17,800
But maybe not the lab
you would expect...

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00:00:18,560 --> 00:00:21,880
Meet the NASA DC-8
airborne laboratory.

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00:00:38,120 --> 00:00:41,520
>>The airplane is designed for
different instrumentation suites

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00:00:41,520 --> 00:00:44,080
depending on the the

missions that we fly.

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00:00:44,440 --> 00:00:46,320

We have multiple zenith

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00:00:46,320 --> 00:00:47,840

ports that look up,

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00:00:47,840 --> 00:00:48,840

we have multiple nadir

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00:00:48,840 --> 00:00:49,840

ports that look down

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00:00:49,840 --> 00:00:51,760

and, of course, many of
the window blanks there.

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00:00:56,480 --> 00:00:58,800

>>There are 25 instruments
onboard the aircraft,

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00:00:59,040 --> 00:01:01,280

not only from NASA,
but from many universities

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00:01:01,280 --> 00:01:03,560

and other government labs
and organizations

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00:01:03,760 --> 00:01:06,160

and together they paint
a picture of the atmosphere

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00:01:06,160 --> 00:01:07,160

that can allow us

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00:01:07,160 --> 00:01:08,480

to completely evaluate

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00:01:08,480 --> 00:01:10,680

what emission
sources in the peninsula

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00:01:10,680 --> 00:01:12,640

are contributing
to poor air quality

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00:01:12,880 --> 00:01:14,800

and how the chemistry
actually works

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00:01:14,800 --> 00:01:16,800

in terms of the outcome
at the end of the day

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00:01:16,800 --> 00:01:19,400

when ozone and particles
are such a concern.

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00:01:19,680 --> 00:01:21,680

>>This integration is about
as big as we do

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00:01:21,680 --> 00:01:23,760

and, if you have seen
onboard the airplane,

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00:01:23,760 --> 00:01:26,280

you can see it's very full
with all the racks

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00:01:26,280 --> 00:01:30,760

and most of the windows covered
with the in-situ probes

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00:01:32,200 --> 00:01:35,600

>>The KORUS-AQ campaign
will gather air quality data

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00:01:35,600 --> 00:01:38,760

in and around the Korean peninsula from multiple sources

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00:01:38,760 --> 00:01:41,640

such as ground stations and maritime sensors.

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00:01:41,880 --> 00:01:44,080

However, the KORUS-AQ aircraft

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00:01:44,080 --> 00:01:47,000

will be the ones to provide the most detailed information

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00:01:47,000 --> 00:01:51,200

over a larger geographical area and at different altitudes.

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00:01:52,960 --> 00:01:55,360

>>So in order to understand how it all works

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00:01:55,360 --> 00:01:57,520

we have several aircraft that we have to fly.

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00:01:57,520 --> 00:01:59,240

One is the one I'm standing on right now

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00:01:59,240 --> 00:02:00,720

the NASA DC-8.

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00:02:00,880 --> 00:02:03,720

The DC-8's role is to measure the atmosphere directly.

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00:02:03,960 --> 00:02:06,600

From this aircraft we can
measure over 100

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00:02:06,600 --> 00:02:08,440

different compounds
in the atmosphere.

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00:02:08,640 --> 00:02:10,960

>>The airplane flies
as easily at 500 ft

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00:02:10,960 --> 00:02:13,400

as it does at higher altitudes.

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00:02:13,640 --> 00:02:16,360

That enables us to do
both remote sensing,

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00:02:16,360 --> 00:02:19,240

which is using radars...
or LIDARs...

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00:02:19,240 --> 00:02:21,040

as well as we can fly lower.

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00:02:21,040 --> 00:02:23,440

We can do vertical profiles
with our in-situ sensors,

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00:02:23,440 --> 00:02:26,040

which is currently what we
got mostly on this airplane.

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00:02:26,240 --> 00:02:27,600

>>In order to understand the
atmosphere, there are

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00:02:27,600 --> 00:02:29,920

many different molecules

that we have to measure.

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00:02:30,200 --> 00:02:32,080

The satellite will not
see all of them.

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00:02:32,320 --> 00:02:35,160

And so by being able to measure
what the satellite will see

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00:02:35,160 --> 00:02:37,600

and, at the same time,
see all of the details

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00:02:37,600 --> 00:02:40,320

we can begin to understand
what sources,

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00:02:40,320 --> 00:02:44,160

what meteorologies and
what combinations of conditions

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00:02:44,160 --> 00:02:46,280

will affect what we
see from space.

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00:02:47,160 --> 00:02:49,720

>>By combining detailed
measurements from aircraft

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00:02:49,720 --> 00:02:52,600

with those made by satellites,
we can get a better picture

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00:02:52,600 --> 00:02:54,800

of pollutants in
our atmosphere.

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00:02:58,680 --> 00:03:01,080

>>So this aircraft

carries instruments

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00:03:01,080 --> 00:03:03,520

that work just like the
satellite instruments.

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00:03:03,520 --> 00:03:08,080

The higher we fly, the wider
the patch of earth we can see.

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00:03:08,880 --> 00:03:12,000

>>During the campaign,
NASA King Air aircraft

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00:03:12,000 --> 00:03:15,040

will mimic the measurements
future satellites will make.

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00:03:18,040 --> 00:03:21,920

>>We fly at about 28,000 feet
and, at that altitude,

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00:03:22,280 --> 00:03:25,200

we see about a 5 mile

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00:03:25,200 --> 00:03:27,280

wide patch of ground.

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00:03:27,400 --> 00:03:28,400

Like mowing the grass!

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00:03:28,400 --> 00:03:29,400

We're trying to cover

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00:03:29,400 --> 00:03:30,680

a patch on the ground

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00:03:30,680 --> 00:03:32,120

continuously and make a map

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00:03:32,120 --> 00:03:34,720
of what the pollutant
distribution looks like.

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00:03:38,680 --> 00:03:40,600
>>So we have a small
King Air aircraft

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00:03:40,600 --> 00:03:42,840
flying above all
throughout the day

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00:03:42,840 --> 00:03:44,480
measuring the way
the future satellite

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00:03:44,480 --> 00:03:45,480
will measure air quality.

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00:03:46,120 --> 00:03:48,480
Meanwhile, the DC-8
flies underneath

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00:03:48,480 --> 00:03:51,320
showing what the distribution of
pollution is above the ground.

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00:03:51,800 --> 00:03:54,040
That allows us to understand
how to connect

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00:03:54,040 --> 00:03:56,680
what the satellite sees
with what's at ground level.

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00:03:59,400 --> 00:04:03,640
>>KORUS-AQ has in its team
two smaller aircraft equipped

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00:04:03,640 --> 00:04:06,680

with atmospheric chemistry
measuring instrumentation.

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00:04:07,600 --> 00:04:10,320

a King Air from
NASA Langley Research Center,

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00:04:10,600 --> 00:04:12,280

and a King Air provided to the

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00:04:12,280 --> 00:04:15,280

Korean National Institute for
Environmental Research

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00:04:15,280 --> 00:04:17,080

by Hanseo University.

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00:04:20,000 --> 00:04:24,960

>>HANSEO King Air aircraft is
relatively similar to NASA DC-8.

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00:04:24,960 --> 00:04:26,560

It can freely access

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00:04:26,560 --> 00:04:27,600

sources of pollution

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00:04:27,600 --> 00:04:28,880

and measure air quality

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00:04:28,880 --> 00:04:30,200

in the capital territory

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00:04:30,200 --> 00:04:33,600

that cannot be
approached using the DC-8.

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00:04:35,440 --> 00:04:39,520
>>Working all together, scientists
from the KORUS-AQ campaign,

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00:04:39,520 --> 00:04:42,880
will provide valuable data and
test the technologies needed

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00:04:42,880 --> 00:04:45,000
to better understand air quality

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00:04:45,000 --> 00:04:48,040
and the flow of pollutants
within our atmosphere.

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00:04:49,640 --> 00:04:51,800
>>We can only fly the planes
for a very short period

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00:04:51,800 --> 00:04:53,000
but the details

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00:04:53,000 --> 00:04:54,640
that you get from the aircraft,

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00:04:54,640 --> 00:04:56,840
help inform the observations

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00:04:56,840 --> 00:04:58,320
from space and from the ground

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00:04:58,320 --> 00:05:01,240
and how models can
interpret those observations.

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00:05:04,760 --> 00:05:06,800
>>From this mission
we will have better models

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00:05:06,800 --> 00:05:10,160
and better mission
data for Asia.

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00:05:10,160 --> 00:05:13,400
And so we'll be able to
extend the usefulness of this

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00:05:13,400 --> 00:05:15,400
well beyond South Korea

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00:05:15,400 --> 00:05:17,000
to other developing cities

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00:05:17,000 --> 00:05:18,400
around the world.