TARANIS

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Constant of TLEs and TGFs above thunderstorms





Size (km)

912

1219 (*h* = 223) 1590



Coes Terrestrial Gamma ray Flashes (TGFs)

TGFs observed by RHESSI (2002-2008) RHESSI: TGF events (March 2002 – June 2008)



Smith et al., 2008







To advance the physical understanding of the links between TLEs, TGFs and environmental conditions (lightning activity, geomagnetic activity, atmosphere/ionosphere coupling, occurrence of Extensive Atmospheric Showers, etc).

To identify the signatures associated with these phenomena (electron beams, electromagnetic or/and electrostatic fields) and to provide inputs to test generation mechanisms.

To provide inputs for the modelling of the effects of TLEs, TGFs and bursts of precipitated and accelerated electrons (lightning induced electron precipitation, runaway electron beams) on the Earth's atmosphere.





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Scientific payload accommodation

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			MCP	Lightning micro-camera TLE micro-camera 4 Photometers	PI: E. Blanc, CEA (F) and Th. Farges (CEA)
SI			XGRE	X and γ detectors: [20keV – 10MeV] e ⁻ : [1 MeV – 10 MeV]	PI: P-L. Blelly, IRAP (F) and F. Lebrun, APC (F)
lon probe			IDEE	Two e ⁻ detectors: [70keV – 4MeV]	PI: J-A. Sauvaud, IRA (F) + Univ. Prague (Cz)
			IMM	Triaxial search coil : [5Hz – 1MHz] 0 ⁺ whistler detector	PI: J-L. Pinçon, LPC2E (F) + Univ. Stanford (USA)
IMIM Triaxial search coil magnetometer to massure the magnetic		Electron detector (70 keV - 4 MeV)	IME-BF	LF-E antenna : [DC – 1MHz] Ion probe	PI: E. Seran, LATMOS (F) + GSFC (USA)
field (5 Hz – 1 MHz)	XGRE Measures X- and	IME-HE	IME-HF	HF-E antenna: [100kHz – 35MHz]	PI: J-L. Rauch, LPC2E (F) + Univ. Prague, IAP (Cz)
	(20 keV - 10 MeV), and electrons (1 MeV - 10 MeV)	MCP 2 cameras (10 images/s) and 4 photometers for luminance measurements of high-resolution spectral bands	neasure the frequency – 35 MHz)	IME-BF Electric field nstrument to measure the electric fields from DC to 1 MH	2
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CRE (PIs : P-L Blelly (IRAP) et F. Lebrun (APC))

Three sensors facing the Earth placed on TARANIS spacecraft with different orientations and one analyzer.



Gamma-Rays: energy range [20 keV – 10 MeV] (accuracy: 30% at 20 keV ; 10% at 511 keV). Electrons: energy range [1 MeV – 10 MeV]







Spatial localization





Separation photons - electrons

- Coincidence/anti-coincidence between LaBr3 and BC408



		electrons	photons		
LAYER	< 1 MeV	1 - 8 MeV	> 8 MeV	<200 keV	>200 keV
BC-408	E	~ 0.7 MeV	~ 0.7 MeV	0	0
LaBr3	0	~ E-0.7 MeV	~ 7 MeV	E	≤E
BC-408	0	0	~ 0.7 MeV	0	0

Arrival direction accuracy

(100 photons)

60

40

20

0

-20

-40

-60

-60 - 40 - 20

degrees







60

40

20



IDEE (PI : J-A Sauvaud (IRAP)

2 spectrometers

- nadir
- zenith

Energy range

- 60 keV 5 MeV
- $\Delta E = 16 \text{ keV} [60 \text{ keV} 500 \text{ keV}]$
- $\Delta E = 60 \text{ keV} [500 \text{ keV} 5 \text{ MeV}]$

8 angles

[60 keV – 500 keV] Field of view = 150x40° [500 keV – 5 MeV] Field of view = 150x150°









Silicium, 5 cells

CdTe, 64 cells



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MCP-PH Units





Survey data:

Continuous monitoring of the background conditions. 2 GB of low resolution data per day!

Event data:

Triggered when a priority event is detected (TLE, TGF, electron beam, burst of electromagnetic/electrostatic waves), then all instruments record and transmit high resolution data.

2 GB of high resolution data per day!





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TARANIS event data (2/2)

TGF event



Time stamping accuracy

Absolute accuracy:

1 ms (comparison with ASIM, balloon, and ground based measurements).

Relative accuracy:

 µs (comparison between TARANIS experiments).





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TARANIS: Data policy

	Data access						
		Mission Pl	Instrument PI	Instrument Lead Co-I	Instrument Co-I	Guest Investigator	Public
Data & Products	Raw Survey data	Yes	instrument	instrument Pl agreement required	No	No	No
	Raw Event data	Yes	instrument	instrument Pl agreement required	No	No	No
	Calibrated Survey data	Yes	Yes	Yes	instrument	CST agreement required	No
	Calibrated Event data	Yes	Yes	Yes	instrument	CST agreement required	No
	Quickview Survey	Yes	Yes	Yes	Quicklook + instrument	CST agreement required	Quicklook only
	Quickview Event	Yes	Yes	Yes	Quicklook + instrument	CST agreement required	No
	Plot Survey data	Yes	Yes	Yes	instrument	CST agreement required	No
	Plot Event data	Yes	Yes	Yes	instrument	CST agreement required	No
	Auxiliary data	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

TARANIS data will be available via the TARANIS data server **T+24H : TARANIS** data server (access via login) **T+18 months : CDPP data server (no login needed)**



TARANIS Data Server

The TARANIS data Server will provide the scientific community with the following services:

1) TARANIS data downloading

2) TARANIS QuickView/QuickLook access

3) TARANIS data online processing

