
WACCM Development Discussion

For WAWG, June 2014



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Community Climate Model



Science Priorities: Next Scientific Release (post 2014)

- New CCMI chemistry
- WACCM5: 'keep up with' CAM
- Gravity Waves: fixes and integration
- Increased vertical resolution
- Prognostic volcanic (MAM) aerosols
- WACCM X: Interactive Ionosphere-Plasmasphere



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Simulation Priorities

- Last Millennium WACCM4 Run (850—2005)
 - 850 control (1100yr), 1850 control (200yr)
 - Joint with Paleo Group
- WACCM4 large ensemble runs? (1920-2080)
 - Last millennium run could be extended to 2050
 - Do multiple ensembles? (1920-2080)
 - Do NOT have time for this
 - Who is interested?



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Software Engineering Priorities

- GW: inertial GW (Hanli), Bug fixes (Sean/Rolando, Isobaric Coord & Dry static Energy changes (Yudin).
- GW (2): Deep (Yaga) and Shallow Convection (Leslie/Yaga), Oro GW (Julio)
- QBO tuning (includes vertical levels)
- Volcanic Aerosols in WACCM5, CAM5 (Mills)
- Chemistry: CCMI chemistry (Vitt, Kinnison)
- Ionospheric Electrodynamics (Liu, McInerney)

Proposed Timeline

- WACCM- CCMI (CESM Tag as Tarball)
- Developments by Early 2015 (on main dev trunk):
 - Updated GW
 - Prognostic Volcanic Aerosols
 - CCMI Chemistry
 - WACCM-X Ionosphere
- Joint Strategy with AMWG (and other WGs)
 - Dy Core, Vertical Resolution, GW, Model Tops, Transport
- Integrate WACCM5 with CAM5+ physics: Spring 2015
 - Prepare for WACCM6 in CESM2
- WACCM6 release in CESM2 (June 2016)



WACCM Graphical Timeline

