

**Opportunity Title:** Surface-atmosphere fluxes of carbon and other trace gases

**Opportunity Reference Code:** 0138-NPP-MAR26-ARC-EarthSci

**Organization** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

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2. Three letters of recommendation
3. Official doctoral transcript documents

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**Description:**

NASA Ames Research Center is looking for a postdoctoral candidate with research interests in tropospheric composition and carbon cycle science, with hands-on experience in instrument development, deployment, and calibration. The focus area of this research project includes using aircraft measurements to quantify the surface-atmosphere fluxes of CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> in urban and natural environments. Fluxes of water vapor, ozone, and other trace gases relevant for climate and air quality could also be investigated. The successful candidate would integrate in situ data, remote sensing observations, and advanced analytical tools to further our understanding of Earth System processes relevant to trace gas emissions and sinks. Several instruments are available for operation in the laboratory or field deployment, including CO<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub> (with isotopic species), OCS and CO instrumentation, and a 3D winds system.

Previous laboratory and/or field experience is required. Experience with a variety of data analysis software packages is advantageous. Development of secondary projects which foster collaborations with other researchers both at NASA Ames and externally is also encouraged.

Position Requirements:



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PhD in the physical or biological sciences, preferably Chemistry, Physics, Atmospheric, or Ecosystem Sciences, or a relevant Engineering discipline.

Experience working with analytical instrumentation; experience with laser-based spectroscopic techniques is preferred.

Ability to work as a member of a team on various projects.

Strong written and verbal communication skills.

Deployment travel may be necessary

**Field of Science:** Earth Science

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- U.S. Lawful Permanent Residents (LPR);
- Foreign Nationals eligible for an Exchange Visitor J-1 visa status; and,
- Applicants for LPR, asylees, or refugees in the U.S. at the time of application with 1) a valid EAD card and 2) I-485 or I-589 forms in pending status

**Questions about this opportunity?** Please email [npp@orau.org](mailto:npp@orau.org)

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**Eligibility Requirements** • **Degree:** Doctoral Degree.