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TITLE: Glacier-Climate Studies on the Prince of Wales Icefield, Ellesmere Island

OBJECTIVES OF RESEARCH:

As glaciers retreat, they expose bare land that heats up during the summer months, providing a source of heat that can increase melt rates for adjacent glacier ice. Past studies by my research group on the Prince of Wales (POW) Icefield, Ellesmere Island, record these influences, but we have not systematically studied them; in summer 2012 I propose to set up a transect of weather stations on the southwestern margin of the POW Icefield and carry out a series of tethersonde ('weather kite') measurements of the atmospheric boundary layer, to ~300 m depth, to measure the atmospheric structure, energy balance processes, and heat transfer to the icefield. The proposed research will further understanding of glacier-climate processes and glacier response to climate change.

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DATA COLLECTION IN NU:

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