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# NANOSATC-BR STATUS

## A JOINT CUBESAT-BASED PROGRAM DEVELOPED BY INPE AND UFSM

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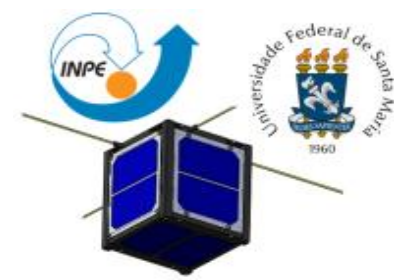
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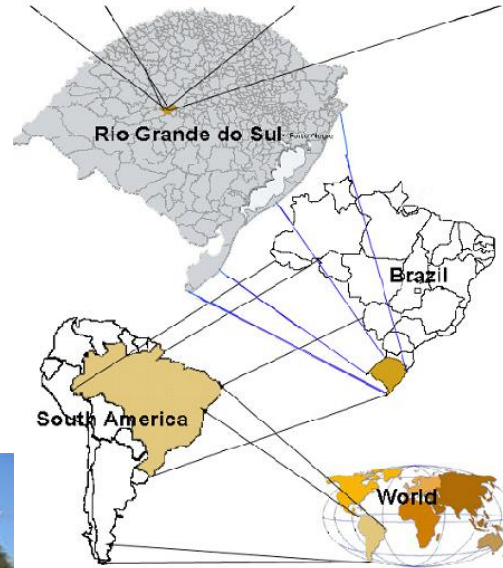
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# Background -Development Strategy

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## Background:

- Decision to create the **NANOSATC-BR Program** and to build the **NANOSATC-BR1** a 1U CubeSat (2008);
- Many papers and presentations by the students since then.
- First missions suggested by INPE scientists.
- Work for the **NANOSATC-BR Program** start in 2009.

## Development strategy:

- To **develop the mission** rather than the platform.
  - Start with **payload development**, software, AIT and operation.
  - **Re-engineering** to develop the platform subsystems.
  - To **bring technology** from abroad and incorporate it through the industry – joint ventures.
  - To create an industry in Brazil for this class of satellite.
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# NANOSATC-BR – NCBR

## Capacity Building



- ▶ The **major objective** of the INPE-UFSM's NCBR Program is to perform a **Specialized Human Resource Capacity Building Program** through the training of UFSM's undergraduate and former students.
- ▶ **Capacity a new generation of scientists, engineers and researchers engineering and computing sciences** through a CubeSat Program.
- ▶ **Approximate the Brazilian Space Program to Universities**, such as:  
UFSM, UFRGS, UFRGN, UFABC, UFMG and USP.
- ▶ Therefore, **the Program provides hands-on training and learning** with  
Aerospace Engineering & Technologies and Space Weather issues
- ▶ **Training of the students**, at INPE and at the Brazilian space industries as well, as at universities and space industries **abroad**:

**TU - Berlin, University of Wurzburg and DLR in Bremen** in Germany;

**Innovative Solutions In Space - ISIS – Delft**, in The Netherlands;

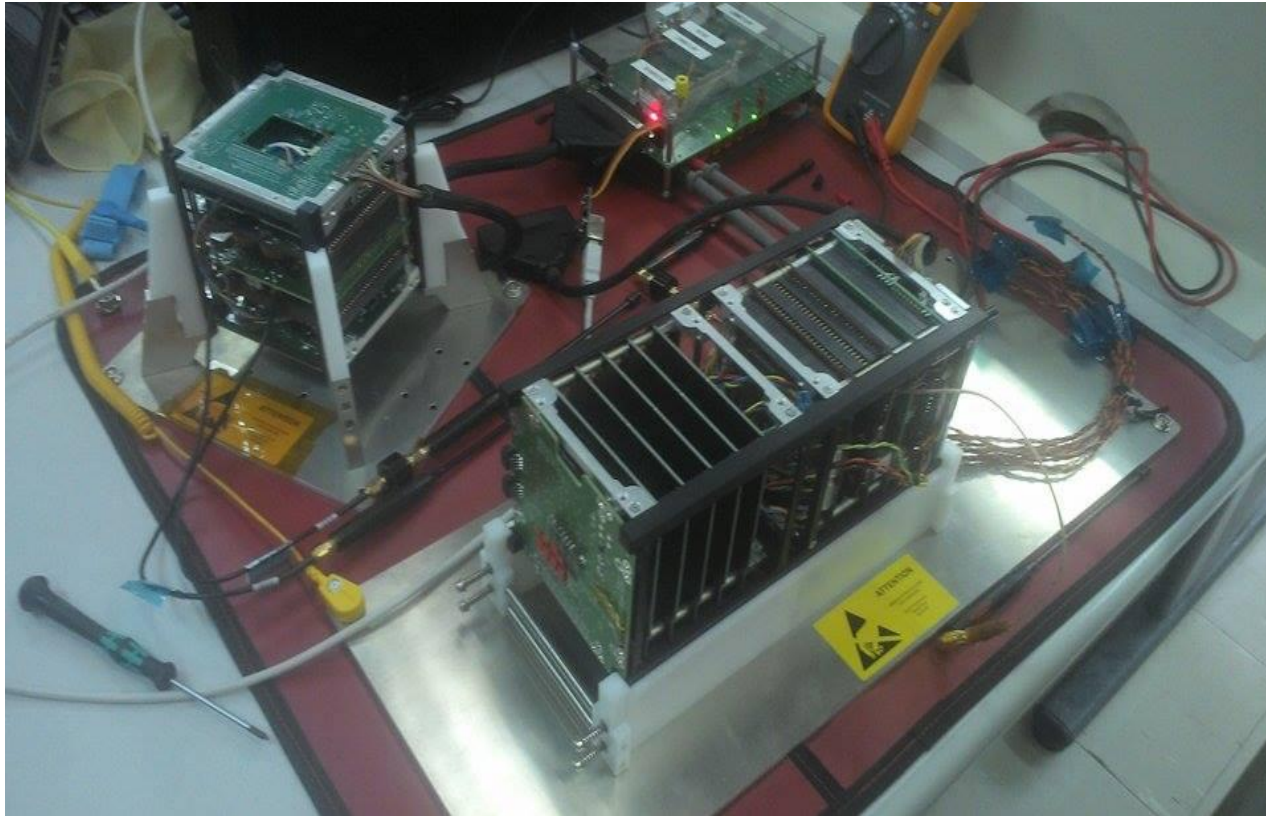
**La Sapienza – Università Degli Studi di Roma, TU - Roma**, in Italy,

**University at Buffalo, University of Tennessee and NASA - Goddard Space Flight Center** ,

in USA



# The NCBR1 and NCBR2 Engineering Model Platforms



The **NCBR1**, is a 10x10x11.3 cm cube, weighing 0.965 kg.  
It has name and up and down frequencies link determined by  
**The International Amateur Radio Union – IARU, in 2011.**

# NCBR1 - Science Mission

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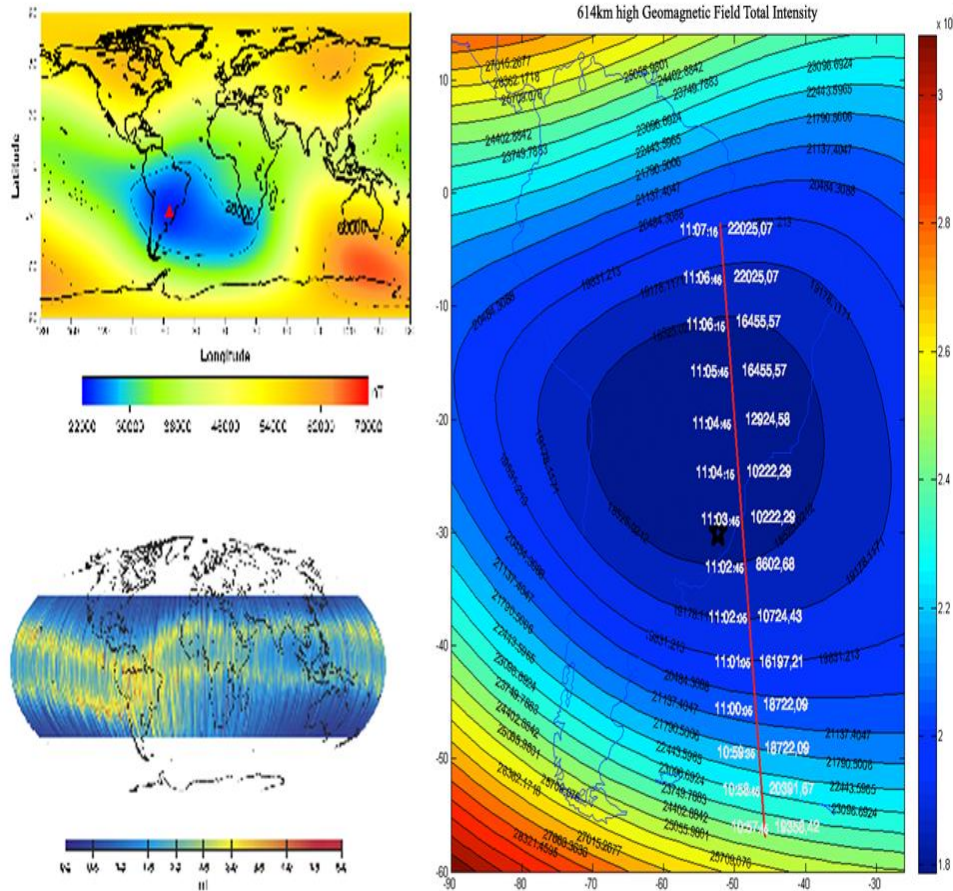


- ▶ **Earth Magnetic Field** intensity measurements.
- ▶ South American Magnetic Anomaly – **SAMA**.
- ▶ **XEN-1210** is a three-axis magnetometer with a resolution of **15nT** from the Dutch company XI - Xensor Integration ([www.xensor.nl](http://www.xensor.nl)).
- ▶ **Only one payload circuit board** with scientific and technological payloads.



# NCBR1

## Science Mission Results



➤ SAMA Geomagnetic Field total Intensity (top left) and EEJ (bottom left) - Ref.[\*], [\*\*].

➤ Results from NCBR1 Scientific Mission Payload measurements of the SAMA region (**right**). It shows an **excellent correlation** of observed data collected by NCBR1 compared with theoretical figures for the Geomagnetic Field intensity for the same altitude from the modeling by the IGRF-IAGA/IUGG.

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## Technological Mission - Payloads (1a)

- ▶ The SMDH - IC - Driver “on/off” :
  - ▶ The **HR-DRVTestChip-I** turn payloads **on and off** as received commands from the ground.
  - ▶ Demand presented by **INPE Space Electronic Division**.
  - ▶ To be used for **INPE Multimission Platform – PMM** (not available at CBERS).
  - ▶ **Radiation hardening** by design:
    - ▶ Design by Santa Maria Design House - SMDH, at UFSM
    - ▶ Use of own library

## Technological Mission - Payloads (2a)



### ► Radiation resistance FPGA - FIELD PROGRAMMABLE GATE ARRAY

Programmed algorithm for **fault tolerance** – Developed by **UFRGS**, Informatics Institute - Microelectronics Group, **in Porto Alegre, RS, Brazil**, [\*].

- Radiation resistance FPGA – industrial.
- Second method for radiation hardening.
- **Board final** manufacturing by **ISIS** (Platform interfaces, BoB, etc.)

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# NCBR1 - CURRENT SITUATION

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➤ The **NANOSATC-BR1** was launched on **June 19th, 2014** as a tertiary payload by **ISIS** in the event **ISILAUNCH 07**, by a **DNEPR**, at **Yasny Launching Base**, Donbarovsky Region, **Russia**.

All **payloads and subsystems**, except the batteries in the power subsystem **continue to operate normally**.

The **battery can no longer hold a charge** because it was **damage by magnetic solar storms** in September-October 2014.

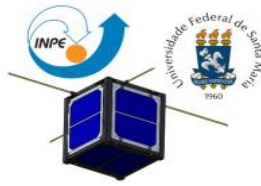
Today the **NANOSATC-BR1** can transmit only when it is in sight by the Sun.

The **World Amateur Radio Network** is currently providing **NCBR1** data

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# NANOSATC-BR Ground Stations Network (GS)



**GS(INPE – CRS)** Santa Maria, RS.



**GS(INPE – ITA)** São José dos Campos, SP.

The NANOSATC-BR's Ground Station Network (GS) is already installed and in operation: on left - GS(INPE-CRS) at CRS/INPE-MCTI, in Santa Maria, RS, and *on right* - GS(INPE-ITA) at ITA/DCTA-MD, in São José dos Campos, SP, in Brazil.

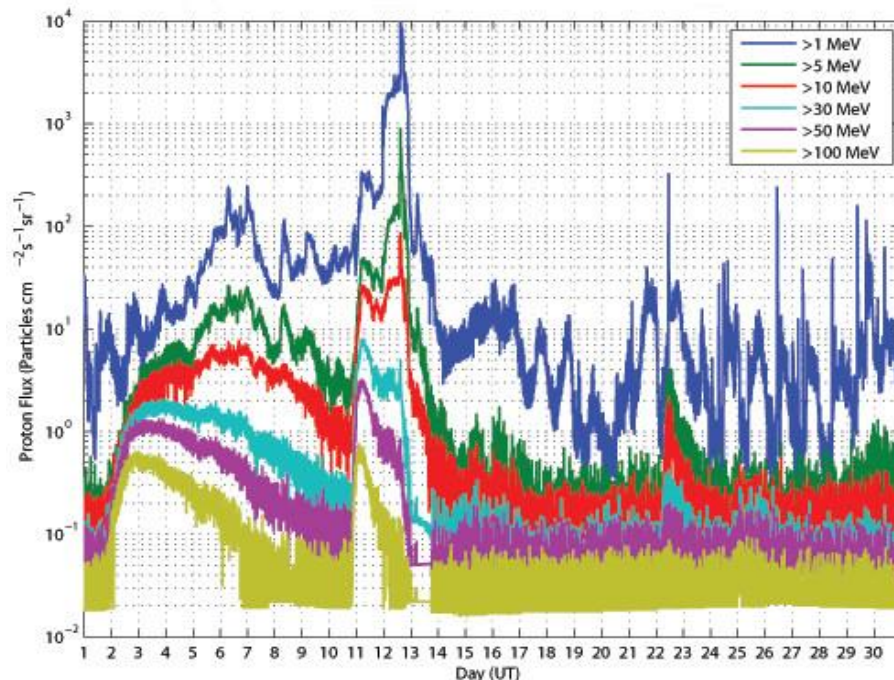
# NCBR1 – SMDH - Integrated Circuits (IC)

## Total Ionization Dose (TID) - Single Event Effects (SEE)



➤The **Solar Energetic Protons** detected by **GOES-15** satellite during **September 2014**, [\*,] were used in order to analyze and quantify the energy levels measured during the R3 occurrence, [\*,] and thus to **estimate the tolerance of NCBR1 - Integrated Circuits (IC)** customized cells.

➤During **September 2014 first two weeks** were reported Solar Energetic Protons - **SEPs** with energies **above 100MeV**, [\*,].



The **Solar Energetic Protons** at different levels of energy detected by the **GOES-15** satellite during **September 2014<sup>1</sup>**.

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# NCBR2 - Current Situation - I



➤ The **NCBR2**, is a **2U CubeSat**, (**10x10x22.6 cm**), has three major objectives: **Capacity Building**, **Scientific Mission** and **Technological Mission** development.

➤ The Scientific Mission is to **monitor the Earth's Ionosphere and Magnetic Field**, with a **Langmuir probe** and a **XEN-1210** magnetometer.

**To finalize the NCBR2 it is necessary** to do the following tasks:

➤ - **SDATF - Attitude Determination System tolerant to failure** - First Brazilian System Attitude Determination, with triple redundancy, **presently in integration and testing with the NCBR2 - EM platform**;

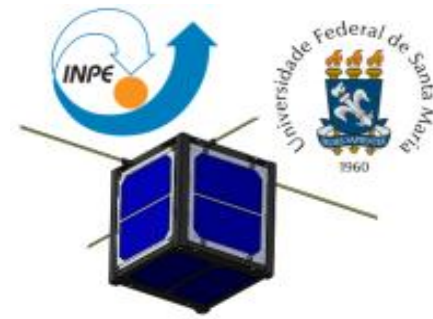
➤ - **Langmuir Probe** - Delivered for testing and integration with the NCBR2 - EM platform and the onboard software - OBDH;

➤ **Communication Experiment Packet** (store forward) - AMSAT-BR and SP-LABRE.

➤ - **CubeSat board with three experiments**: FPGA-UFRGS; Magnetometer; IC - SMDH/UFSM, first unit scheduled for delivery in Dec. 2017.

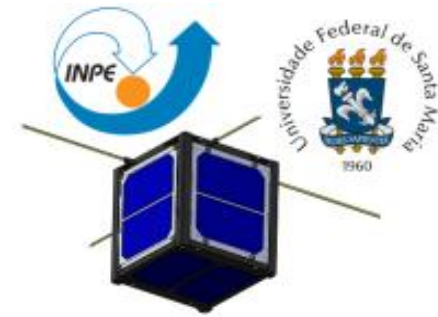


# NCBR2 - Current Situation - II



- The entire **platform flight software was developed in Brazil**, by researchers and engineers from INPE/MCTIC, already working in this area (Determination & Attitude Control and Data Management).
- **The Control Law for the control software has also been developed in Brazil.**
- The **Project** is now waiting the **budget** from the **Brazilian Space Agency - AEB for hiring the launch and future operation of NCBR2 in orbit.**
- The NCBR2 is **planned to be launched in the second semester of 2018.**





# CONCLUSIONS

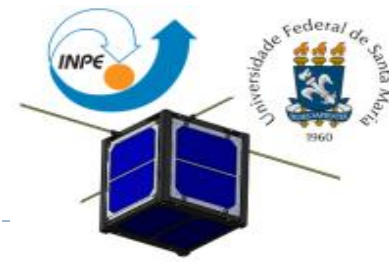
➤ Since it is **provided to young Brazilian people contact with low cost and fast developments on Space Technology**, the Brazilian:

## **INPE-UFSM NANOSATC-BR, Cubesat Development Program**

**proved to be an excellent tool for developing a new generation** of scientists, engineers and researches, in **Aerospace Technologies** in Brazil.

➤ It is **expected an increase** in the Brazilian Government Agencies **support and more investments for the development of Space Technology** and **for new universities initiatives, in Brazil**, such as the Brazilian INPE-UFSM NANOSATC-BR Cubesat Development Program, with its CubeSats: the **NANOSATC-BR1 & NANOSATC-BR2 Projects**.

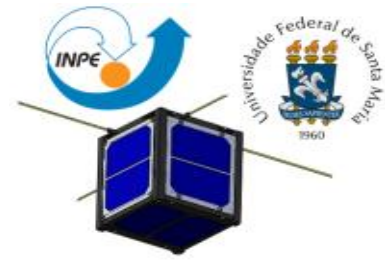




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