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National Report to SCAR for year:

2008 - 2009

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<b>EBA</b> 1) 2) 3) 4)						
<b>ICESTAR</b> 1) 2) 3) 4)						
<b>SALE</b> 1) 2) 3) 4)						
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<b>ACTION GROUPS</b>						
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<b>EXPERT GROUPS</b>						
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4) Permafrost and Periglacial Environments (PPE)	Dr. Yevgueniy Yermolin	Instituto Antártico Argentino (I.A.A.), Cerrito 1248 (C1010AAZ) Buenos Aires	54-11-4-816-6821	54-11-4-816-6821	<a href="mailto:euermolin@dna.gov.ar">euermolin@dna.gov.ar</a> <a href="mailto:ivgen52@yahoo.com">ivgen52@yahoo.com</a>	
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Argentina Antarctic Data Center						

**A BRIEF SUMMARY OF SCIENTIFIC HIGHLIGHTS:**

## National Programs/Projects by Standing Scientific Group 2008-2009

### **Life Sciences**

<i>Subject</i>	<i>Investigation</i>	<i>Locality</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Principal Investigator</i>	<i>Address</i>
Ichtiology	Monitoring and Ecology of Antarctic fishes for their conservation	Jubany Base	2008-11	Dr. Esteban Barrera Oro	<a href="mailto:ebarreraoro@dna.gov.ar">ebarreraoro@dna.gov.ar</a>
Antarctic Cormoran	Reproductive and alimentary aspects of Antarctic and Georgias cormorans	Nelson island, Laurie island, Antarctic peninsula	2008-11	Dr. Ricardo Casaux	<a href="mailto:rcasaux@dna.gov.ar">rcasaux@dna.gov.ar</a>
Mammals	Reproductive and feeding ecology in Antarctic pinnipeds	Jubany Base	2007-10	Lic. Alejandro Carlini	<a href="mailto:acarlini@dna.gov.ar">acarlini@dna.gov.ar</a>
Antarctic birds	Predator-Prey interaction models between Antarctic birds and fish-crustaceous in Antarctic peninsula and Scotia Arc	Laurie, Nelson and 25 de Mayo (King George) islands	2007-10	Dr. Néstor Coria	<a href="mailto:ncoria@dna.gov.ar">ncoria@dna.gov.ar</a>
Microbiological biodegradation	Development and optimization of bioremediation technologies for recovering soils exposed to hydrocarbon contamination in Antarctic regions	Jubany Base Marambio Base	2007-10	Dr. Walter Mac Cormack	<a href="mailto:wmac@huemul.ffyb.uba.ar">wmac@huemul.ffyb.uba.ar</a>

Ecology of benthonic communities	Antarctic benthonic communities: an interdisciplinary approach to analyse the possible impact of global warming	Potter cove	2007-10	Dr. Ricardo Sahade	<a href="mailto:rsahade@com.uncor.edu.ar">rsahade@com.uncor.edu.ar</a>
Microzooplankton	Marine microbial community and organic matter of Southern Patagonia ecosystem in water column and bottom sediments: their usefulness as environment indicators for water quality and productivity monitoring	Atlantic Sector of the Antarctic Ocean and South West Atlantic	2007-10	Dr. Viviana Alder	<a href="mailto:viviana_alder@yahoo.com">viviana_alder@yahoo.com</a>
Microzooplankton	Ecological role and distributive patterns of planktonic microbial community of Southwestern Atlantic and Antarctic Ocean	Atlantic Sector of the Antarctic Ocean and South West Atlantic	2007-10	Dr. Viviana Alder	<a href="mailto:viviana_alder@yahoo.com">viviana_alder@yahoo.com</a>
Animal physiology	Antioxidant status determination in Antarctic marine organisms. Impact of xenobiotics on key species of trophic chains	Jubany Base	2007-10	Dr. Martín Ansaldi	<a href="mailto:tincho@qb.fcen.uba.ar">tincho@qb.fcen.uba.ar</a>
Living Resources	DRAKE BIOSEAS-IPY	Austral Ocean	2007-10	Dr. Enrique Marschoff	<a href="mailto:marschoff@dma.gov.ar">marschoff@dma.gov.ar</a>

**Geosciences**

<i>Subject</i>	<i>Investigation</i>	<i>Locality</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Principal Investigator</i>	<i>Address</i>
Permafrost and GlobalChange: Geomorphological glacial, post-glacial processes and Recent-late Cenozoic vulcanism.	The Holocene landscape and climatic change along Patagonia – Antarctic Peninsula transect	Patagonia – Antarctic Peninsula	2008 - 11	Lic. J. A. Strelin	<a href="mailto:istrelin@yahoo.com.ar">istrelin@yahoo.com.ar</a>
Paleontology of Vertebrates	Continental Vertebrates of late Cretaceous – Paleogene period of Antarctic Peninsula	James Ross Island, Antarctic Peninsula	2008-11	Dr. Marcelo Reguero	<a href="mailto:mreguero@netverk.com.ar">mreguero@netverk.com.ar</a>
Paleontology	Cretaceous-Paleogene of Southern Patagonia: major biostratigraphic events	Antarctic Peninsula and Patagonia	2007-10	Dr. Silvia Césari	<a href="mailto:scesari@mcn.gov.ar">scesari@mcn.gov.ar</a>
Geology and Paleontology of James Ross basin	Antarctic peninsula-Patagonia: keys of a lost connexion	Marambio Island	2007-10	Dr. Silvio Casadio	<a href="mailto:silvio63ar@yahoo.com.ar">silvio63ar@yahoo.com.ar</a>
Vulcanism	Vulcanism in the Trinity Peninsula group	Trinity Peninsula	2008-11	Rodolfo A.del Valle	<a href="mailto:delvalle@dma.gov.ar">delvalle@dma.gov.ar</a>

Geology and Paleontology of James Ross Basin	Biostratigraphy and sedimentology of the Santonian-Maastrichtien of James Ross basin, Antarctica. Paleobiological and paleoenvironmental events	James Ross Island	2007-10	Dr. Eduardo Olivero	<a href="mailto:eolivero@satlink.com">eolivero@satlink.com</a>
Geophysics	Geophysical survey of the magmatic arc, northern of Antarctic Peninsula and its tectonic development	Shetland Islands	2007-10	Dr. Francisco Vilas	<a href="mailto:vilas@gl.fcen.uba.ar">vilas@gl.fcen.uba.ar</a>
Vulcanism of recent-late Cenozoic	Study and survey of active volcanos: Deception Island	Deception Island (South Shetland Island)	2007-10	Dr. Alberto T. Caselli	<a href="mailto:acaselli@gl.fcen.uba.ar">acaselli@gl.fcen.uba.ar</a>
Stratigraphic Micropaleontology	Paleobiogeographical survey of microbiotas of Upper Cretaceous and Cenozoic in Antarctic peninsula and adjacent regions. Modification on their distribution due to climatic changes	Vega and James Ross Islands	2007-10	Dra. Andrea Graciela Concheyro	<a href="mailto:andrea@gl.fcen.uba.ar">andrea@gl.fcen.uba.ar</a>

### Physical Sciences

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Global Change	Permafrost and climatic changes in Antarctica	Antarctic Peninsula	2007-10	Dr. Yevgueniy Yermolin	<a href="mailto:eyermolin@dma.gov.ar">eyermolin@dma.gov.ar</a>

UV Radiation	Impact of the glacier retreat induced by global warming on benthonic macroalgae distribution in an Antarctic coastal ecosystem (Potter Cove, 25 de Mayo Island, South Shetland Island)	Jubany Base	2008-11	Dr. María Liliana Quartino	<a href="mailto:lquartino@dna.gov.ar">lquartino@dna.gov.ar</a>
Sea Science	Impact of glacial melting on plankton, northern Antarctic peninsula	Jubany Base	2007-10	Dr. Irene Schloss	<a href="mailto:ischloss@dna.gov.ar">ischloss@dna.gov.ar</a>
Solar radiation	Global, spectral, and biologic action solar radiations in Argentina and Antarctica	Antarctic Peninsula	2007-10	Dr. Ruben Piacentini	<a href="mailto:ruben@ifir.edu.ar">ruben@ifir.edu.ar</a>
Sea Science	RUGBY-IPY	Antarctic Peninsula	2007-10	Dr. Gustavo Ferreyra	<a href="mailto:gferreyra@dna.gov.ar">gferreyra@dna.gov.ar</a>
Climate	Climate-ice Interaction in Antarctic Peninsula and Southern Patagonia	Antarctic Peninsula and Southern Patagonia	2008-11	Eng. Pedro Skvarca	<a href="mailto:glacio@dna.gov.ar">glacio@dna.gov.ar</a>

#### Institutional activities

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Sea Sciences	Echos Jubany Winter	Jubany Base	2008	Dr. Gustavo Ferreyra	<a href="mailto:gferreyral@dna.gov.ar">gferreyral@dna.gov.ar</a>
Life Sciences	Conservation and Monitoring of the Ecosystem - CCAMLR	Antarctic Sea	2008	Dr. Néstor Coria - Dr. Alejandro Carlini	<a href="mailto:ncoria@dna.gov.ar">ncoria@dna.gov.ar</a> <a href="mailto:acarlini@dna.gov.ar">acarlini@dna.gov.ar</a>

Geosciences	Topographic, geologic and geophysical surveys (Spain)	Esperanza Base	2008	Dr. Rodolfo del Valle	<a href="mailto:delvalle@dna.gov.ar">delvalle@dna.gov.ar</a>
Geosciences	Methane hydrates and sea ice monitoring	Weddell Sea	2008	Dr. Rodolfo del Valle	<a href="mailto:delvalle@dna.gov.ar">delvalle@dna.gov.ar</a>
Geosciences	Antarctic Geodesy (Germany and USA)	Antarctic Sector	2008	Mr. Andrés Zakrajsek	<a href="mailto:afz@dna.gov.ar">afz@dna.gov.ar</a>
Environmental Chemistry	Environmental monitoring of chemical pollutants	Jubany Base	2008	Dr. Cristian Vodopivez	<a href="mailto:quimica@dna.gov.ar">quimica@dna.gov.ar</a>
Museum	Snow Hill and Paulet island museum	Snow Hill and Paulet island	2008	Mr. José María Ageitos	<a href="mailto:museoantar@dna.gov.ar">museoantar@dna.gov.ar</a>
Geosciences	Maintain of stations and recovery of meteorological data	Antarctic Peninsula	2008	Eng. Pedro Svkarca	<a href="mailto:glacio@dna.gov.ar">glacio@dna.gov.ar</a>
Geosciences	White Genoma Project IAA-BIOSIDUS	Antarctic Sector	2008	Dr. Sergio Marenssi	<a href="mailto:smarenssi@dna.gov.ar">smarenssi@dna.gov.ar</a>
Sea Sciences	Technological Development	Antarctic Peninsula	2008	Eng. Eduardo D. Calviño	<a href="mailto:edcalvino@dna.gov.ar">edcalvino@dna.gov.ar</a>
Geophysics	Antarctic seismological network	Antarctic Sector	2008	Mr. Andrés Zakrajsek	<a href="mailto:febrero@dna.gov.ar">febrero@dna.gov.ar</a>
Physical and Chemical Sciences	Magnetosphere	San Martin and Belgrano Stations	2008	Eng. M. Raponi Mr. J. Araujo	<a href="mailto:mraponi@dna.gov.ar">mraponi@dna.gov.ar</a> <a href="mailto:araudo@dna.gov.ar">araudo@dna.gov.ar</a>
Physical and Chemical Sciences	Atmospheric ozone	Antarctic stations	2008	Mr. J. Araujo	<a href="mailto:mraponi@dna.gov.ar">mraponi@dna.gov.ar</a> <a href="mailto:araudo@dna.gov.ar">araudo@dna.gov.ar</a>

Physical and Chemical Sciences	Greenhouse effect	Jubany Base	2008	Eng. M. Raponi Mr. J.Araujo	<a href="mailto:mraponi@dma.gov.ar">mraponi@dma.gov.ar</a> <a href="mailto:araudo@dma.gov.ar">araudo@dma.gov.ar</a>
Physical Sciences	"Paradise Bay" multidisciplinary programme	Brown Station	2008	Lic. G. Tosonotto	<a href="mailto:gtonotto@dma.gov.ar">gtonotto@dma.gov.ar</a>
Physical Sciences	Alternative energy Development	Esperanza Base	2008	Dr. Sergio Marenssi	<a href="mailto:smarenssi@dma.gov.ar">smarenssi@dma.gov.ar</a>

### **Permanent observatories, standard observations and long-term monitoring programmes**

#### **Marambio station (Marambio Antarctic Meteorological Center)**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Responsible Authority or Investigator</b>
Meteorological observations of following parameters: Pressure, Temperature, Moisture, Wind (Direction and intensity), Clouds (Number, type and height), Visibility, Soil status, Snow height, precipitations, heliophany, special phenomena observation (noctilucent clouds, auroras, optical phenomena, soil temperature, sea ice).	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
Height observations (radio sounding, radio wind). Daily observations of temperature, pressure, moisture, wind in altitude	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)

Solar radiation observations. Global solar radiation daily. Ultraviolet solar radiation	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
Atmospheric Ozone radiation. Total ozone, Dobson spectrophotometer. Vertical profile: ozone sounding, two weekly, June-December, other two monthly.	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
Observation and measurement of pollutants and atmospheric aerosols	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
Meteorological forecast, support to aviation, maritime sailing. Daily observations and storm warnings for Antarctic Argentine Sector. Bulletins for radiobroadcasting	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)

#### **Orcadas Station (Geomagnetical and Meteorological Observatory, South Orkney)**

Meteorological observations every 3 hours of following parameters: Pressure, Temperature, Moisture, Wind (Direction and intensity), Clouds (Number, type and height), Visibility, Soil status, Snow height, precipitations, heliophany, special phenomena observation (noctilucent clouds, auroras, sea glace). Glaciological observations	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
Geomagnetical observations. Normal photographic record of D, H, and Z compounds. Absolute observations. Magnetogrammes.	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)

### **San Martin Station**

Meteorological observations every 3 hours of following parameters: Pressure, Temperature, Moisture, Wind (Direction and intensity), Clouds (Number, type and height), Visibility, Soil status, Snow height, precipitations, heliophany, special phenomena observation (noctilucent clouds, auroras, sea glace). Glaciological observations

SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)

### **Jubany Station**

Meteorological observations every 3 hours of following parameters: Pressure, Temperature, Moisture, Wind (Direction and intensity), Clouds (Number, type and height), Visibility, Soil status, Snow height, precipitations, heliophany, special phenomena observation (noctilucent clouds, auroras, sea glace). Glaciological observations

SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)

## **Esperanza Station**

Meteorological observations every 3 hours of following parameters: Pressure, Temperature, Moisture, Wind (Direction and intensity), Clouds (Number, type and height), Visibility, Soil status, Snow height, precipitations, heliophany, special phenomena observation (noctilucent clouds, auroras, sea glace). Glaciological observations	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
Climatological statistics of Argentine Stations	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
G.A.W. Project. Climatic Change Studies	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
G. COS Project. Global Change Survey	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
Survey of Austral Ozone Layer	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
G.A.W. Project. Climatic Change Studies	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)
Survey of Pollutants and Atmospheric Aerosols	SMN (National Meteorological Service, Antarctic Department)