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An MF/HF antenna array for radio and radar imaging of the ionosphere. Brett Isham, Terence Bullett, Bjørn Gustavsson, Vasyl Belyey.
USNC-URSI National Radio Science Meeting (NRSM).
Boulder, Colorado, USA, 6–9 January 2016.

Stories from the past year and what they say about the future.
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Awards

The PI is an invited member of the scientific organizing committee for the 2016 COSPAR (Committee on Space Research, part of the International Council for Science) General Assembly, 30 July - 7 August 2016, session C5.1D4.1, on Active Space Experiments.

The PI was an invited speaker at one conference:
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Names of Faculty Supported

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PERCENT SUPPORTED</u>	National Academy Member
Brett Isham	0.00	
FTE Equivalent:	0.00	
Total Number:	1	

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Names of other research staff

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Inventions (DD882)

Scientific Progress

We have completed the purchase of a medium and high-frequency (MF/HF, 0.3 to 30 MHz) radio receiving system based at the Inter American University Aguadilla Campus in northwest Puerto Rico.

The radio receiving system will have three main operational modes:

A 300-m array configuration used as a bistatic radio imaging receiver for transmissions from the VIPIR HF radar located in Cayey, Puerto Rico, for studies of phenomena such as atmospheric gravity waves, plasma irregularities, and space weather monitoring.

A 12-km array configuration for imaging the structure of stimulated radio emissions (SEE) from the HF interaction region above Arecibo Observatory, with the goal of determining the exact geometries of the source regions of the many SEE spectral features with respect to the geomagnetic field.

A 100-km array configuration used with the VIPIR radar for studies of large-scale ionospheric structure and for multi-point oblique-angle observations of radio emissions during Arecibo HF experiments, to study the aspect angle dependence of the plasma turbulence.

All three arrays are designed to measure the frequency-dependence of the polarization of radio emissions. Observations of the geometric and polarization properties of radio emissions using these arrays will drive the development of new radio techniques and technologies.

Technology Transfer

The project is a novel implementation of a medium and high-frequency radio system previously used for radar reception at a number of sites worldwide. The new aspects are the requirement for imaging, and the larger size of the array, which requires careful consideration of timing between receivers, and new methods of instrument calibration. Discussions with the equipment vendors have been helpful, but the bulk of the technical development has been at the university, with technology transfer to the vendors.