## Welcome

Center for Ice and Climate, University of Copenhagen

SVALI phd course/workshop

Applications of radar data from ice sheets to understand ice flow processes





### Stability and Variations of Arctic Land Ice

#### **Nordic Centre of Excellence SVALI**

SVALI is a Nordic collaboration under the Nordic Council research programme: "Interaction between Climate Change and the Cryosphere", which aims to improve our understanding of stability, variations and dynamics of the cryosphere.

Read more at the SVALI homepage: www.ncoe-svali.org





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Themes to be discussed: understanding the nature and limitations of radar data, the physical properties causing radar reflections, snow radar, applications of radar data to reveal ice flow processes, such as folding, basal melting and refreezing, incorporation of basal material, and inferring the ice thickness and accumulation rate history from radar data.

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**Posters** 

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**Surface velocity and fast flowing glaciers** 

Thursday: Deep radar: Basal conditions and processes

Workshop Dinner

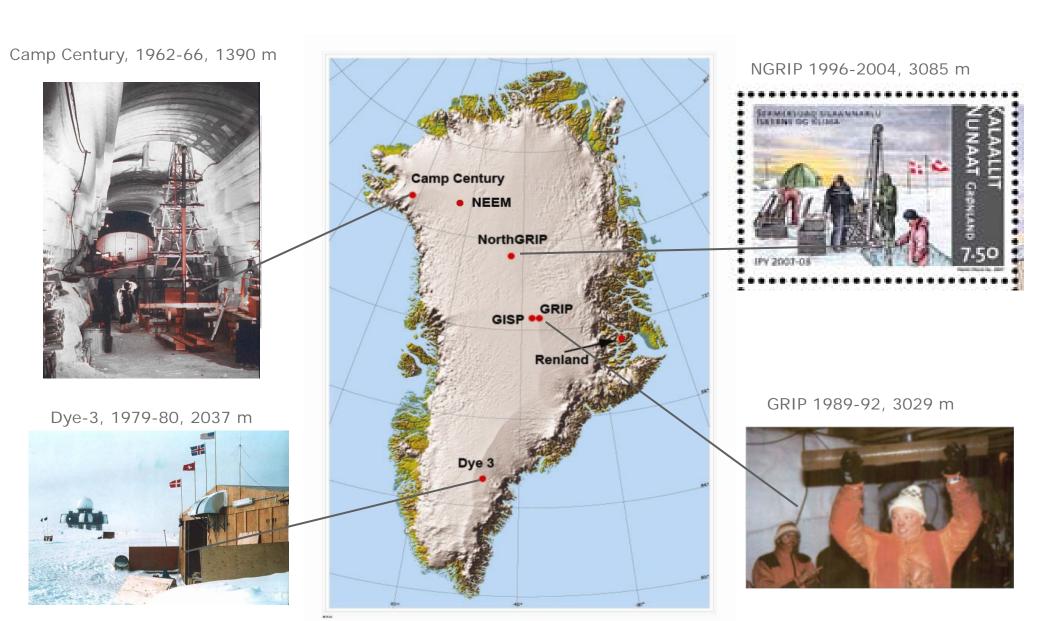
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### Ice cores from Greenland



#### **About Center for ice and climate:**

64 people: 9 senior scientists (2 emeritus, 1 visiting)

18 postdocs (3 visiting)

8 office and technicians

20 phd students

9 Master students

#### Ice core laboratory groups:

Isotope-lab, Gas-lab, Chemistry-lab

#### Modelling groups:

Ice sheet modelling group

Earth and atmosphere & statistical modelling group

CO2 modelling group

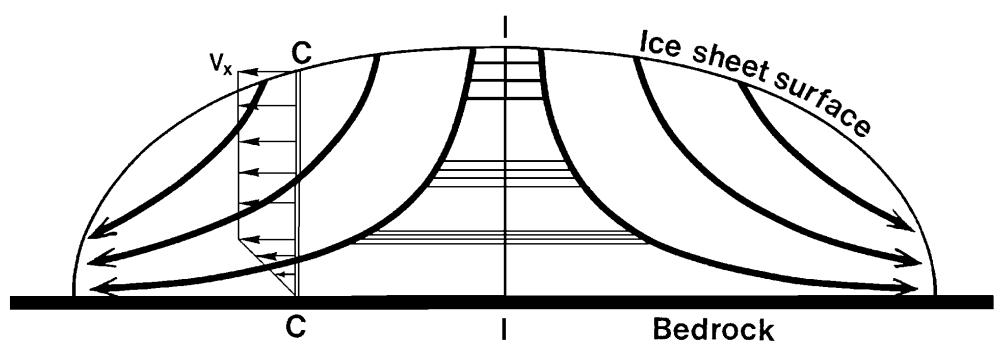
#### Other groups:

Stratigraphic analysis group

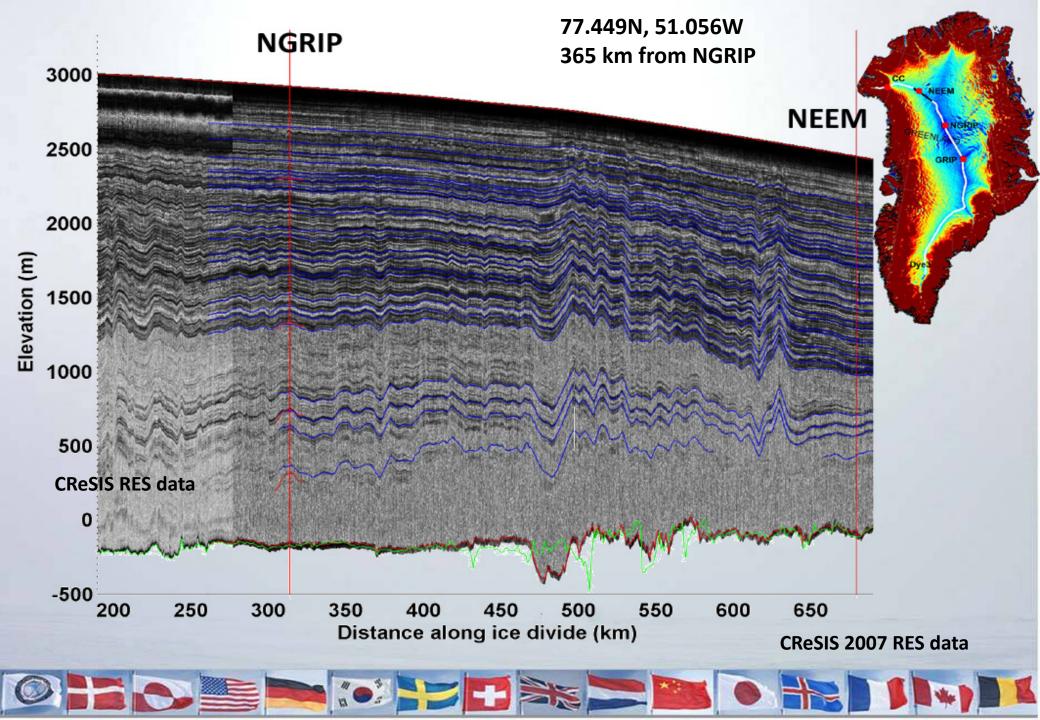
DNA studies group

### The Greenland Ice Sheet – a climate archive

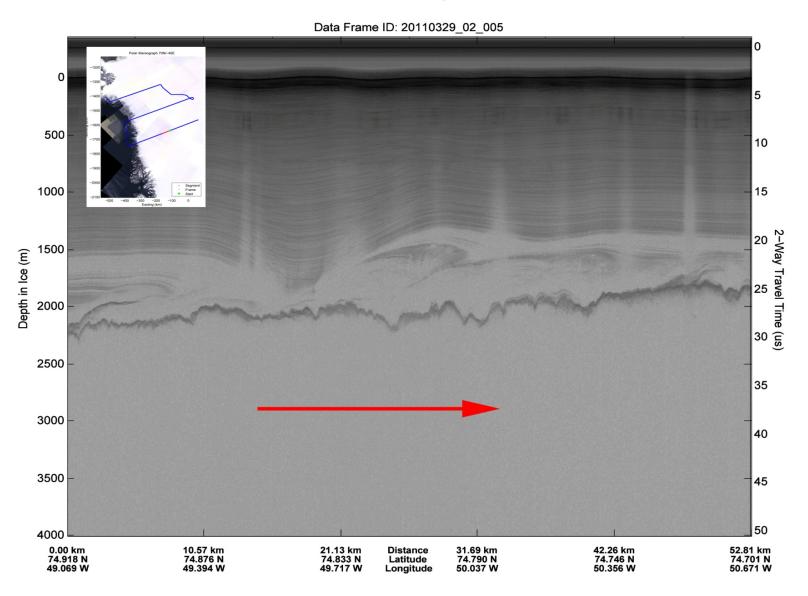
A schematic cross section from West to East



Width – appr. 900 km Thickness – appr. 3 km



## New views of deep Greenland ice



ftp://ftp.cresis.ku.edu/accum/2011\_Greenland\_P3/

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Dates: 12-16 March 2012 (week 11).

Location: Center for Ice and Climate (CIC), Niels Bohr Institute, University of Copenhagen, Denmark.

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Participants: Phd students, postdocs, other scientists interested in radar data and interpretations.

Credit: 2.5 ECTS (attending), additional 2.5 ECTS if there is a presentation during the course.

Format: Overview lectures, lectures, moderated discussions, presentations by the participants, poster session.

All participants are invited to present their current work and results, and to suggest topics for discussion sessions.

Excursions: CIC ice core laboratory and ice core collections.

Niels Bohr Institute and Archives (depending on the interest).

Registration: Send email to: ch@gfy.ku.dk with your name and contact details.

Please indicate whether you are planning to present your work (oral or poster), and the title of your presentation.

No registration fee. Travel, accommodation and meals are paid by the participants, except a few informal meals

during the week. Updated information will be available through the SVALI homepage.

Registration deadline: 13 February 2012.

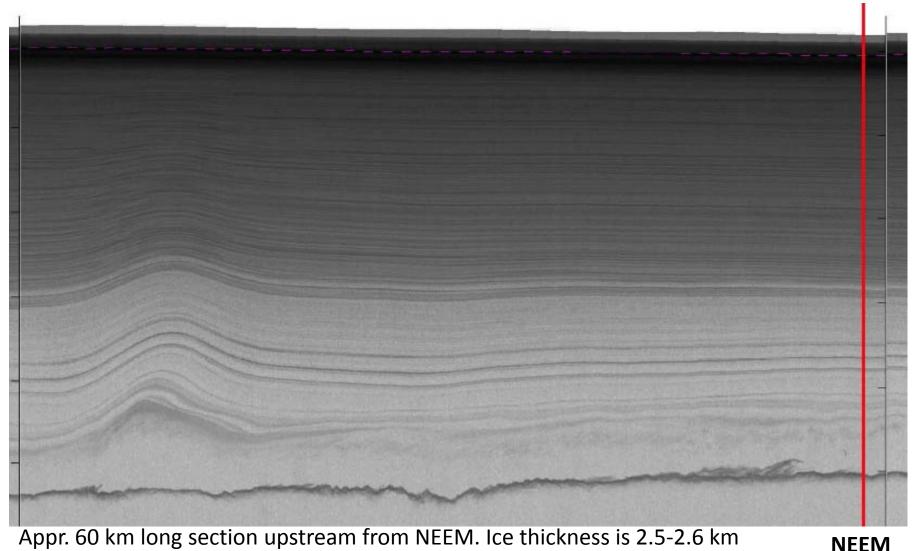
Organizer: Christine S. Hvidberg and Nanna B. Karlsson, University of Copenhagen. Contact: ch@gfy.ku.dk

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See the full announcement and read more at the SVALI homepage: www.ncoe-svali.org/phd\_school

### NASA Ice bridge

a six-year NASA program to do airborne survey of Earth's polar ice



Appr. 60 km long section upstream from NEEM. Ice thickness is 2.5-2.6 km Radar data from CReSIS, Kansas University