

# Luz Teresa Padró



## General Information

**BS (2004)** Chemical Engineering, Virginia Tech

Undergraduate Research (Fall 2003 – Spring 2004) with Dr. Kimberly Forsten- Williams

Participated on National Exchange Program

Originally from Puerto Rico

## Current Research in Aerosol-Cloud-Climate Interaction

- **Modeling** – studied the possibility of solubility enhancements through curvature enhanced solubility.
- **Laboratory Work** – study activation properties of inorganic and organic mixtures in order to understand their CCN properties which can then be introduced into GCM aerosol-cloud interaction parametrizations.
- **Field Work** – characterize aerosols in polluted regions (Mexico City).

# MILAGRO Field Campaign



- Air quality study of Mexico City and surrounding areas (60 institutions from US, Mexico, and other countries)
- Study the effect of pollutants, trace gases, and aerosols in local, regional, and global scales

**Mexico City is the second largest city in the world and one of the most polluted!**