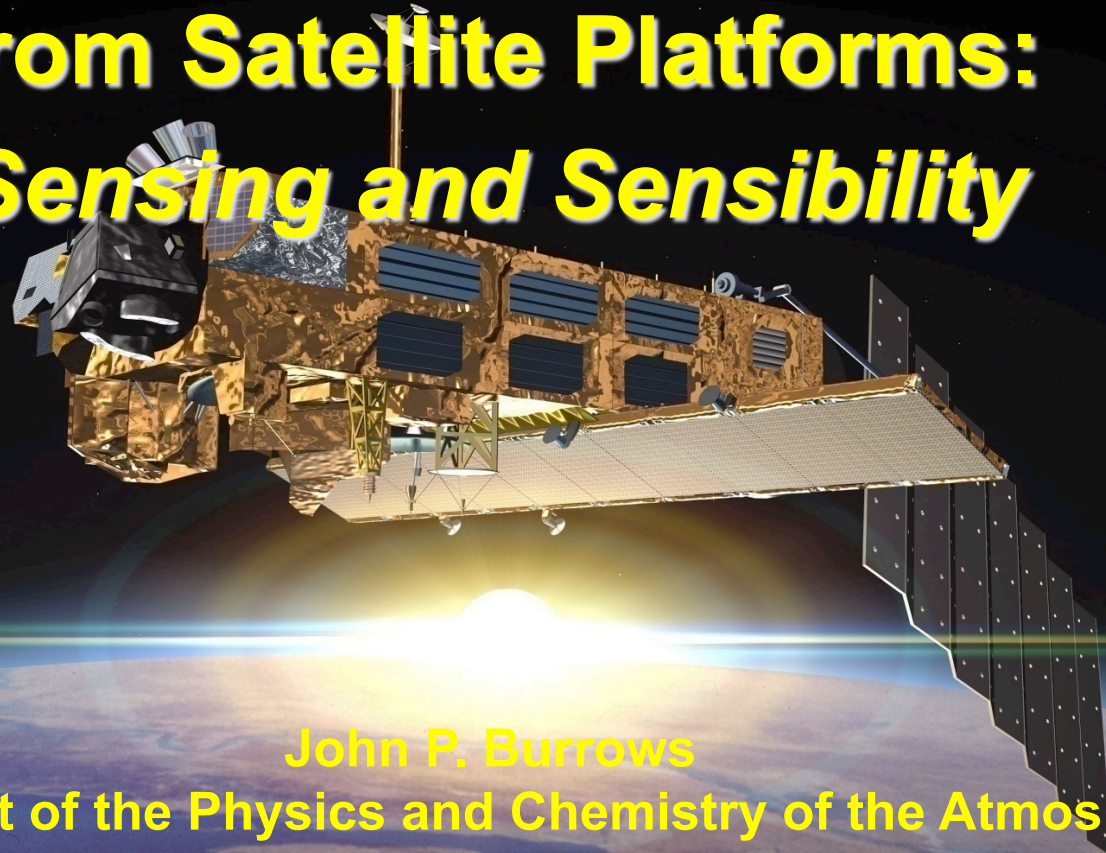


Observation of the Upper Atmosphere from Satellite Platforms: *Sensing and Sensibility*



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A Golden Pioneering Age of Upper Atmospheric Remote Sensing from Space - the first 50 years

Who are the potential space segment providers?

A) Large Space Agencies for Earth Observation

- 1957-1959** **Sputnik launch Soviet SP later RSA – NASA founded**
- 1963-1975** **Europe - Evolution of ESRO/ELDO to ESA**
- 1983-1986** **Formation of EUMETSAT for operational obs.**
- 1994-** **Formation of NPOESS NOAA/DOD/NASA for operational obs.**
- 1955-2006** **Japan- Evolution of JAXA**

B) National Agencies

- 1962-1989** **Canada – Evolution to CSA**
- 1960-present** **Evolution of National programmes**
CNES, DLR, NIVR, BNSC (UK), Sweden, Belgium,
China, India, Korea etc.



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What has been provided!

Soviet

1960 First attempts at O3 monitoring

NASA Ozone Nadir sounding

1963 – 1993 Nimbus 1 to 7 pioneering earth observation

1974 - Nadir Sounding: BUV (N4) /SBUV(N7)/SSBUV
SBUV-2 NOAA

1979 – 2006 TOMS - N7, Meteor 3, ADEOS , Earth Probe
T, H2O Nadir Sounding in IR

1974 - SCR (N5) N6

NASA Limb sounding T profile

1976-1988 N6 LRIR - N7 LIMS

A Golden Pioneering Age of Upper Atmospheric Remote „Sensing from Space the first 50 years

What has been provided!

NASA + partners

- 1979 – 2006** **Solar and later Lunar occultation**
On different platforms SAMII, SAGE1, II and III
- 1981 -1989** **Explorer: SME - LASP**
- 1985-1994** **ATLAS including ATMOS (FTIR) 4 Shuttle Flights**
- 1991 - 2005** **UARS (Upper atmospheric research satellite)**
Atmospheric composition and T: CLAES, HALOE,
ISAMS (UK), MLS
0Winds HRDI and WINDII (CSA)
- 1998-2003** **Explorer: SNOE - LASP**

ESA

- 1995-2003** **GOME on ERS-2 ,**
Mesospheric Composition: metal emissions, NO
stratospheric composition O3, NO2, OCIO, BrO
tropospheric Composition : O3 NO2, SO2, HCHO,
(CHO.CHO), H2O cloud (and aerosol) parameters

A Golden Pioneering Age of Upper Atmospheric Remote Sensing from Space the first 50 years

What has been provided!

Major Missions/Initiatives in Planning/Delivery Phases

JAXA
199
200

- 2009 onwards NPOESS + NPP: OMPS 2009 focus NWP

SNS
200

CSA
200

- 2013 onwards NASA Decadal Survey – Missions All EO

ESA
200

- 2020 onwards EUMETSAT/ESA/EU 2018 Post-Metop +
GMES Sentinel 5

NASA
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All Excellent missions but current planning results in a reduction in capability in the next decade compared to past decade

EUMETSAT
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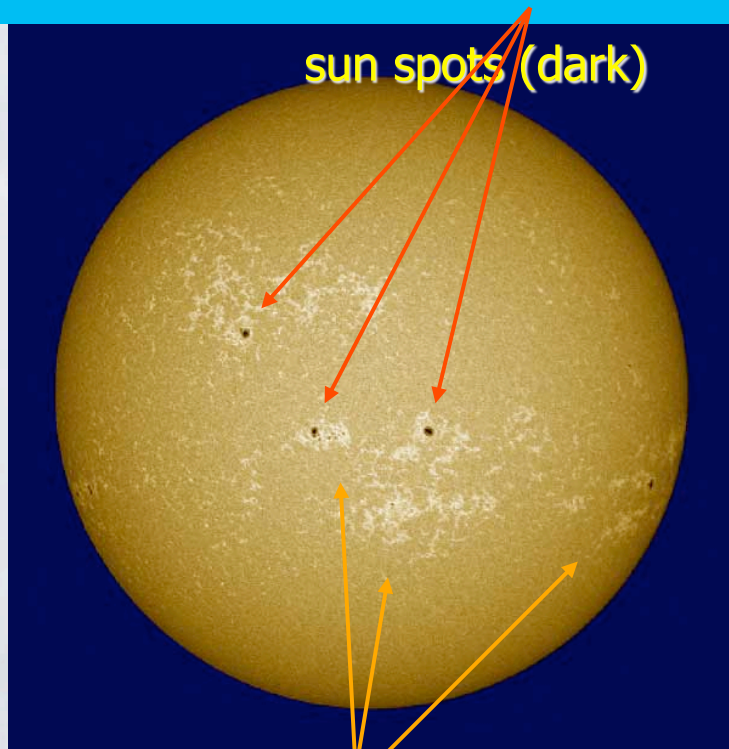
Mainly Nadir sounding - Loss of Occultation



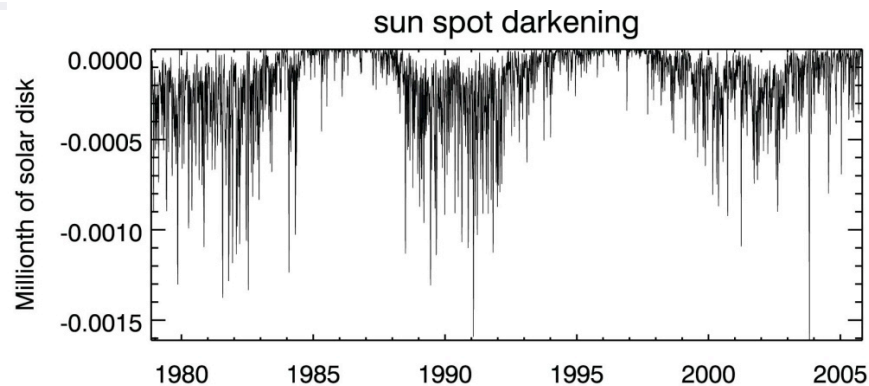
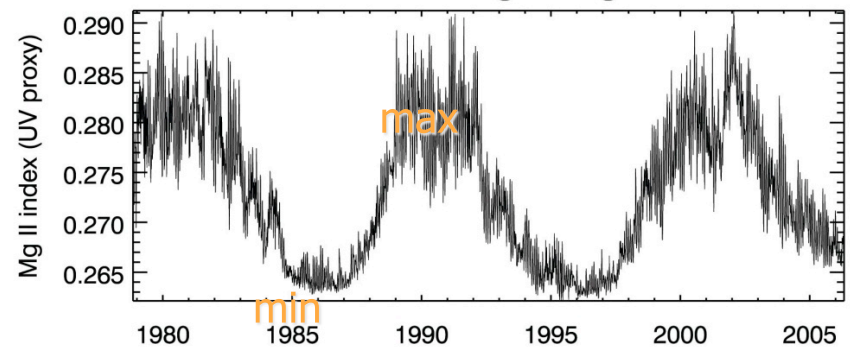
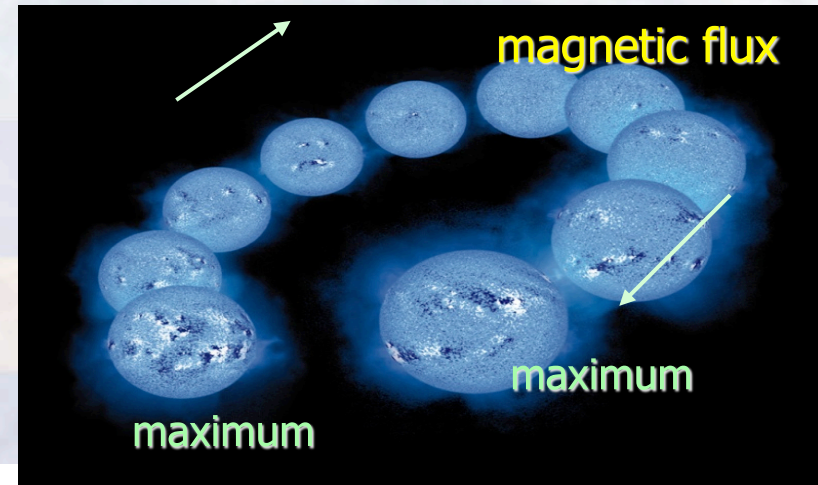
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What are the sources for irradiance variations?

- Main contributions come from magnetic surface features

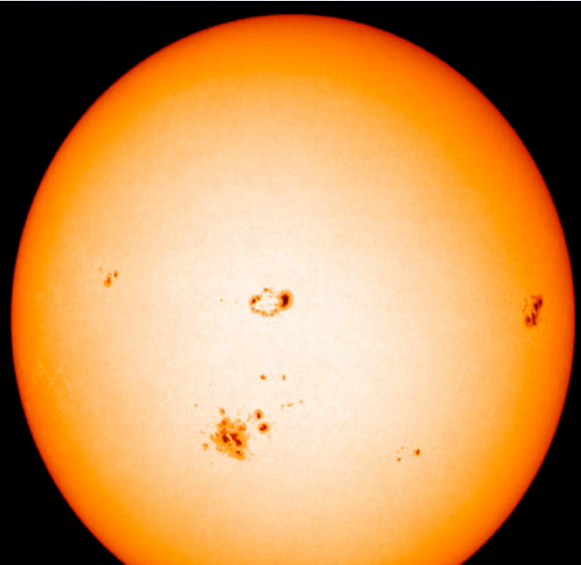


Faculae (bright)



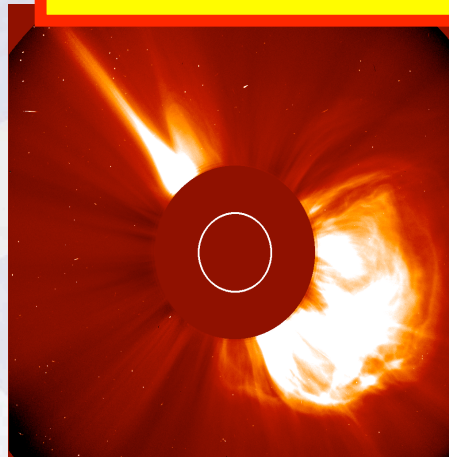
Science #1: Solar Emissions ⇔ Atmosphere

- 1) Changes in Solar Emission in particular in the UV
- 2) Coronal Mass Ejections and Solar Proton Events: Example Oct-Nov 2003

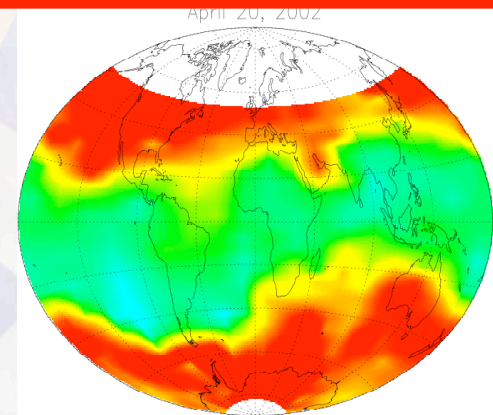


1. Two solar active regions during **28-29 Oct and 3rd Nov 2003** produced **solar flares, coronal mass ejections (CMEs)** and solar energetic **particles** of unprecedented intensity.

2. CMEs arrived at Earth in 1-2 days producing huge geomagnetic storms and important effects on atmospheric composition in the polar regions.

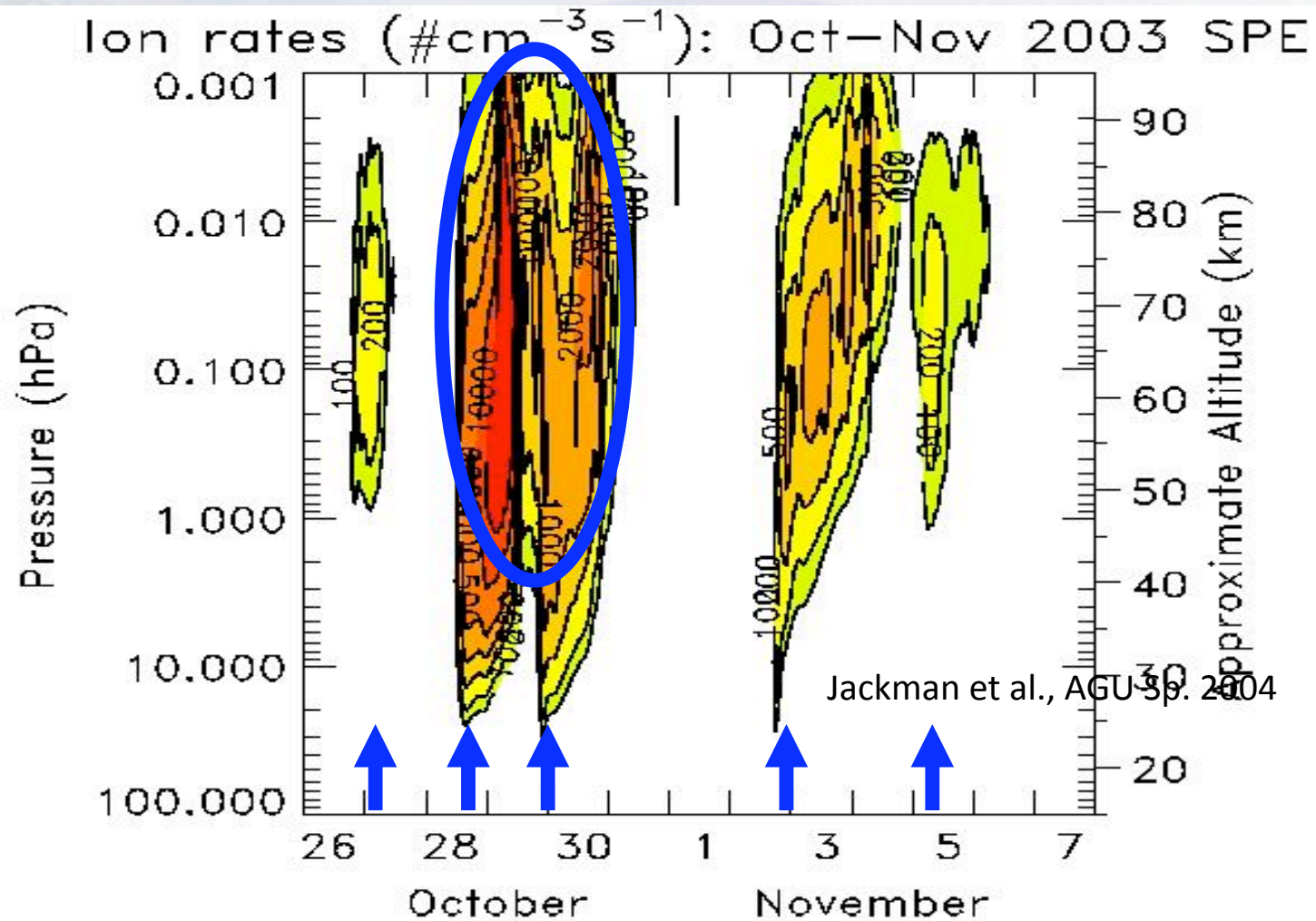


2003/11/04 20:



3. The Earth was bombarded by very energetic protons (and electrons), driven by the earth's magnetic field to both polar regions (g. lat. >60°) where they penetrate down to the lower stratosphere.

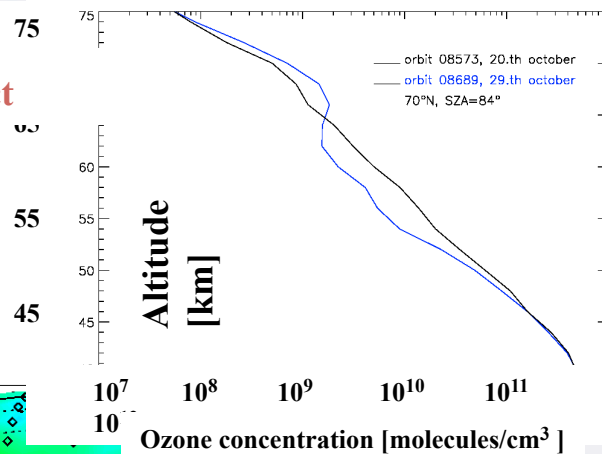
Estimated Ion Deposition Rates



SCIAMACHY: O₃ depletion during Halloween SPE

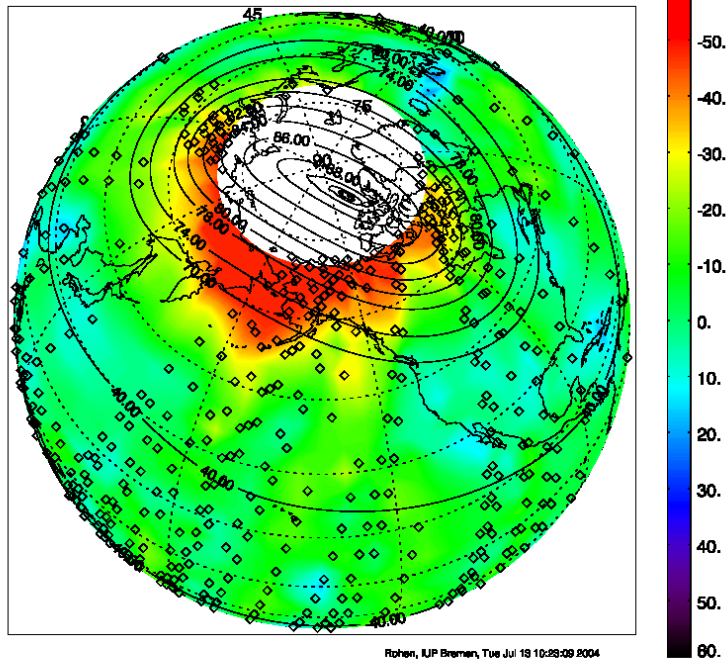
Reference period: 20.-24.Oct. 2004

Ozoneprofile at 20. and 29.Oct



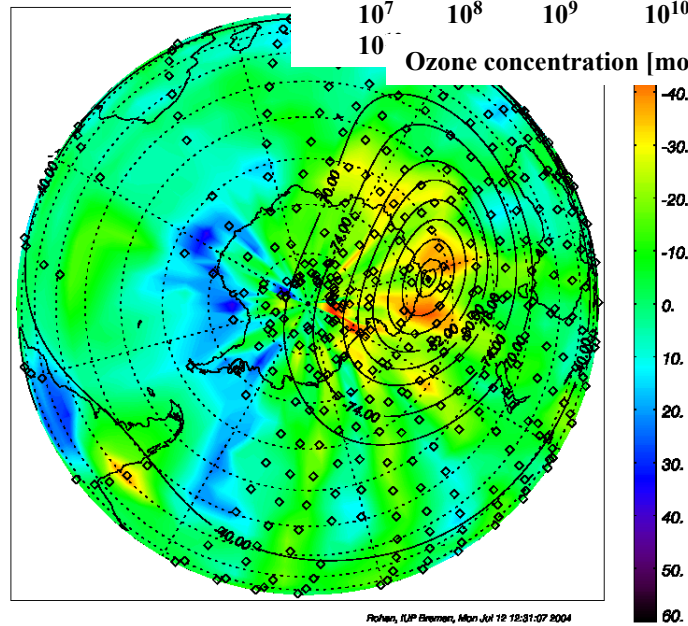
SPE event 28.Oct.-6.Nov..2003

SCIAMACHY SPE OZONE CONCENTRATION [%] AT 48.1433 KM



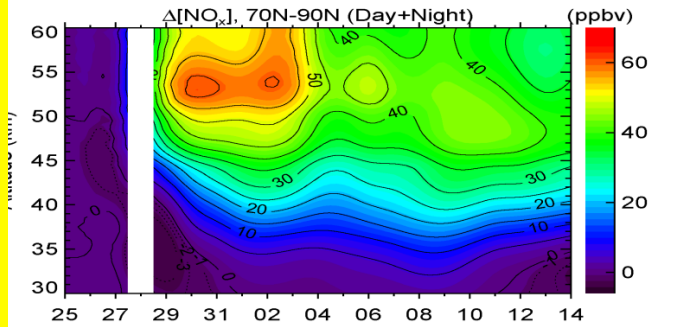
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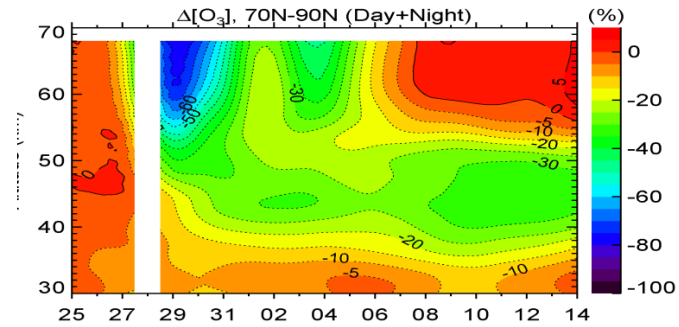


MIPAS: Solar influence on climate observations during "Halloween" SPE Oct/Nov 2003

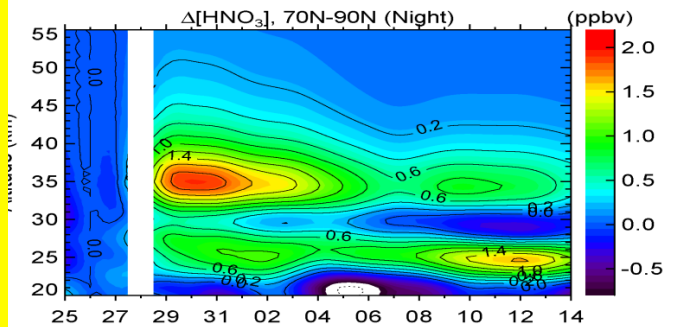
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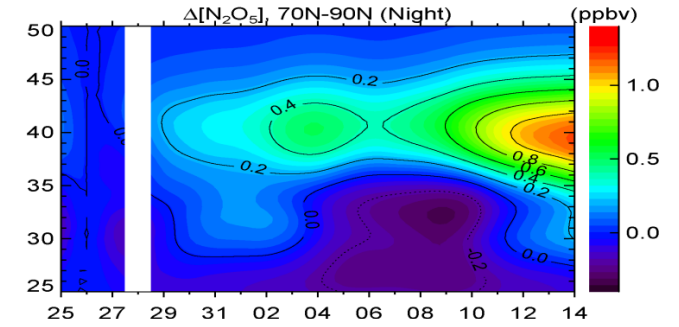
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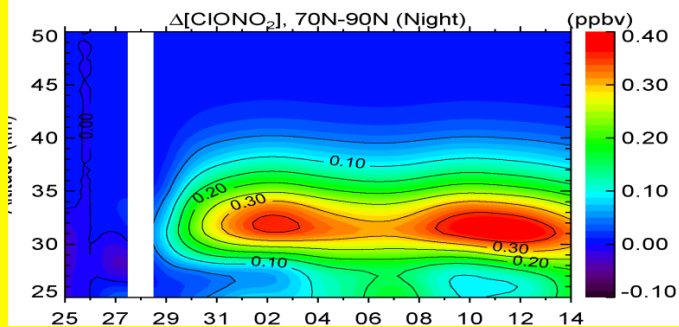
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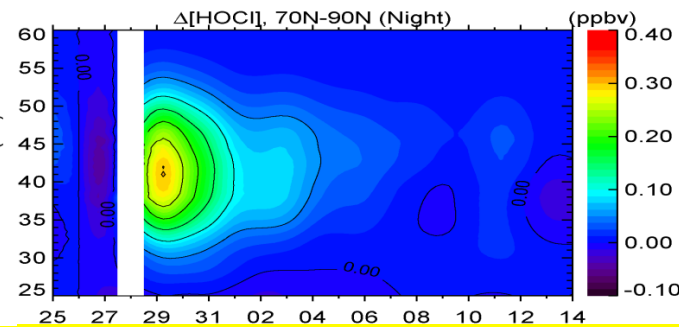
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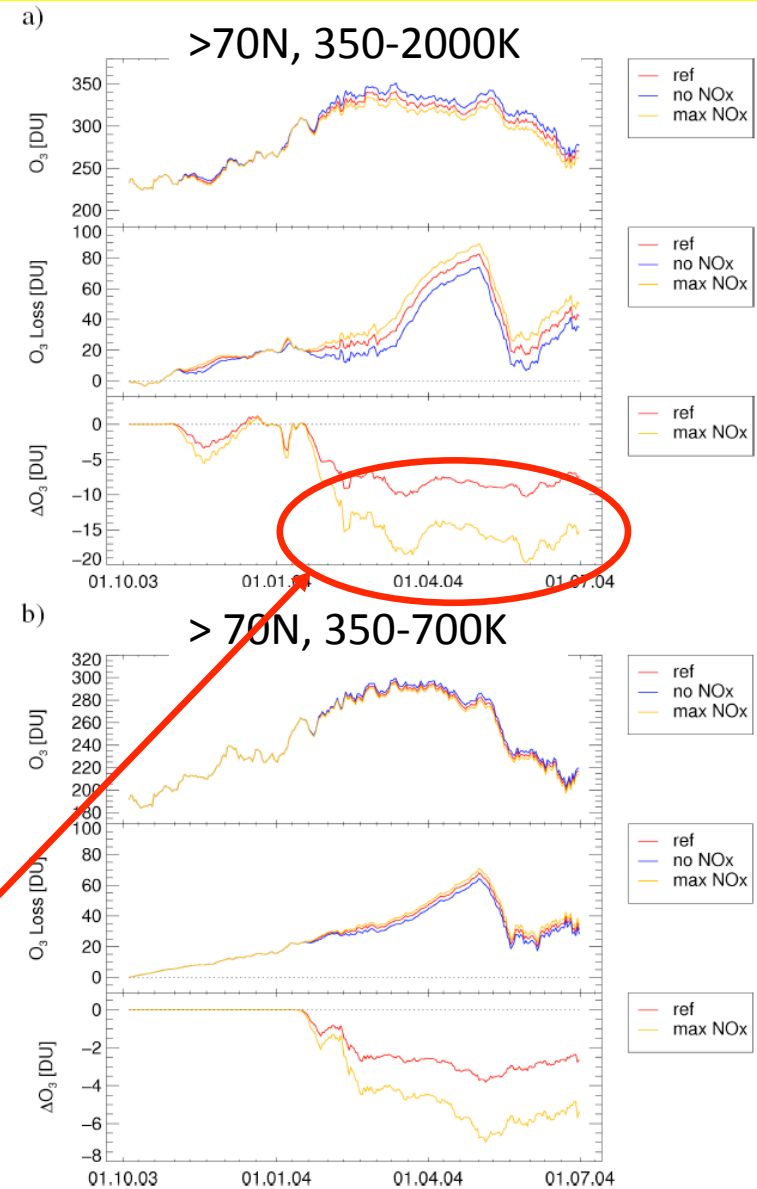
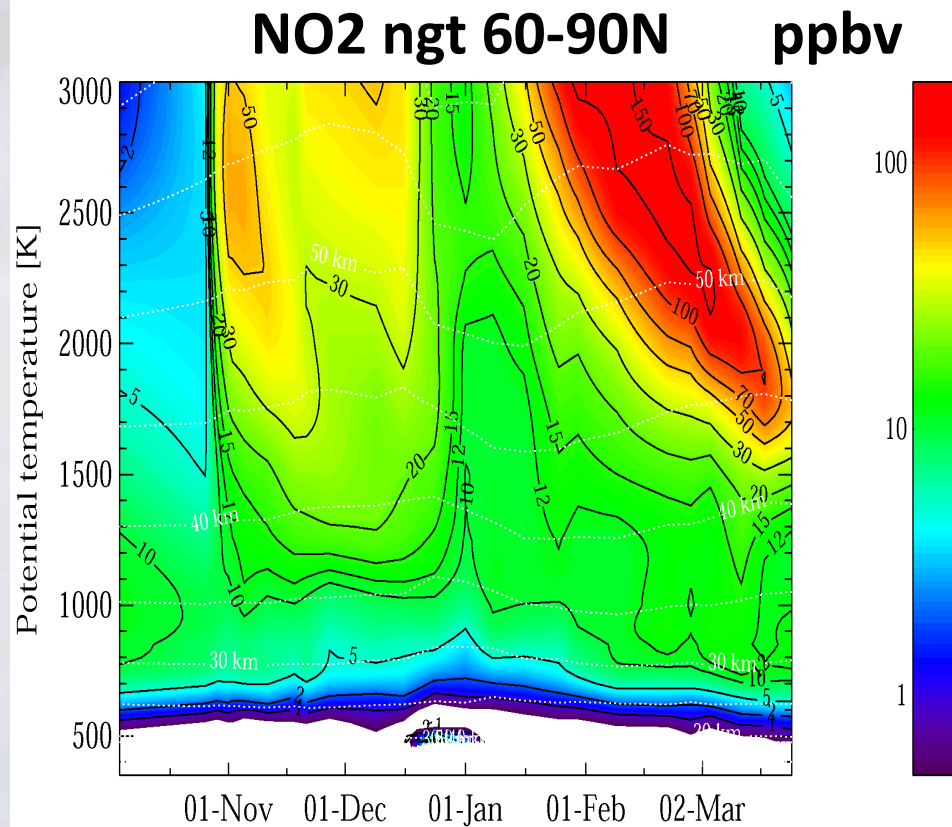
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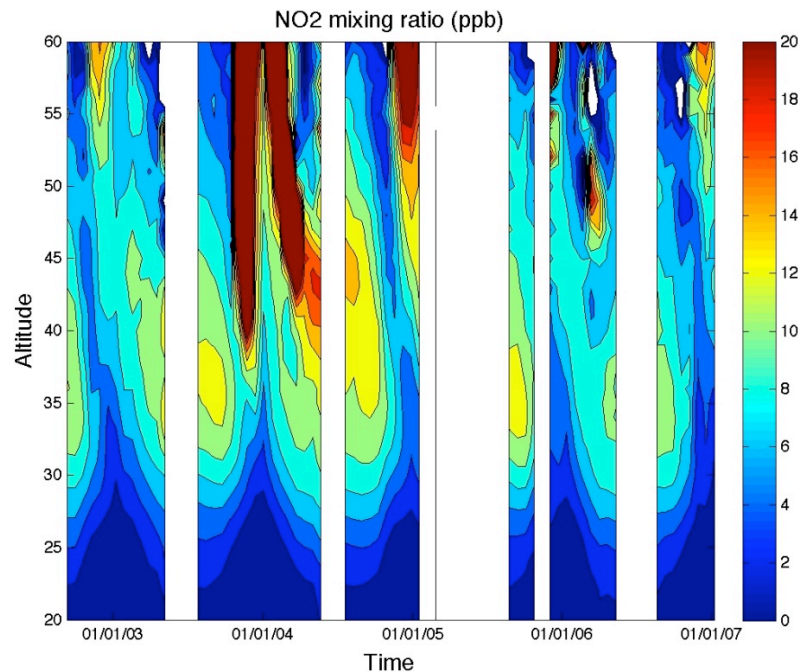


MIPAS Energetic particle precipitation and its impact on stratospheric ozone chemistry

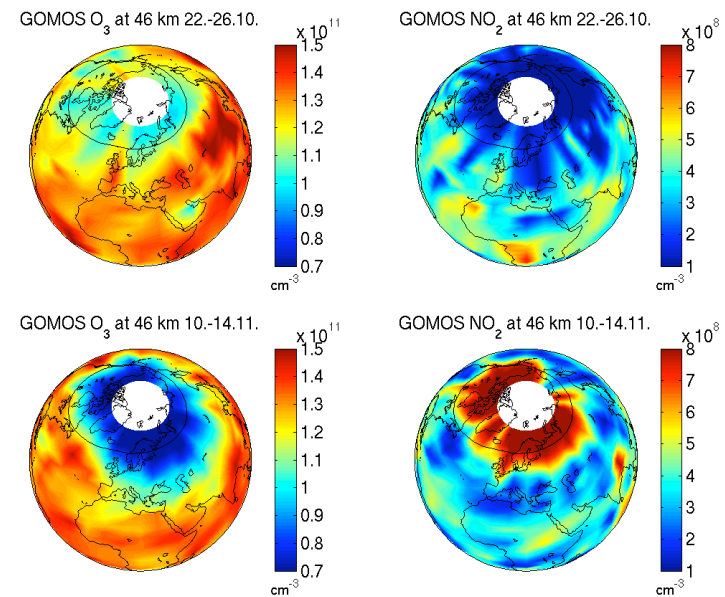


Downward transport of EPP produced NO_x from MLT during Arctic winter 2003/2004
 Impact on the stratospheric ozone budget:
 Additional loss of ~ 20 DU ozone

GOMOS: Particle precipitation and stratospheric NO₂ and O₃



Solar protons precipitating into Earth's atmosphere create ions, which modify the chemistry of the upper atmosphere. Locally large ozone losses are produced via the large increase of NO and NO₂.

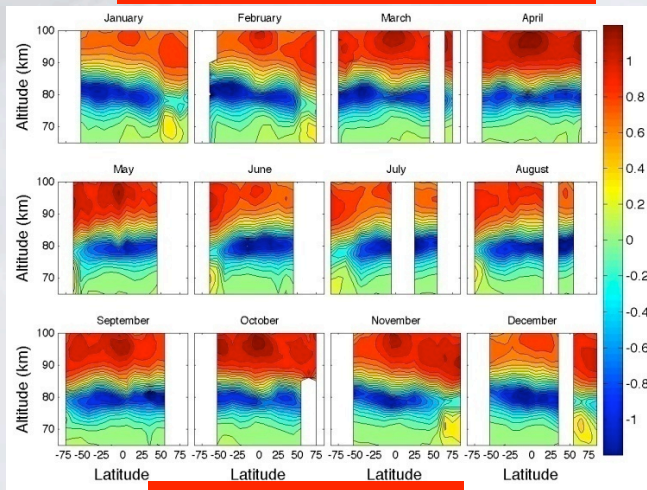


Large intrusions of NO₂ into the stratosphere are common in polar atmosphere (here Arctic).

Seppälä, A., et al., GRL, 31, L19107, 2004.
Hauchecorne et al., GRL, 34, L03810, 2007.
Verronen et al., GRL., 33, 24, L24811, 2006

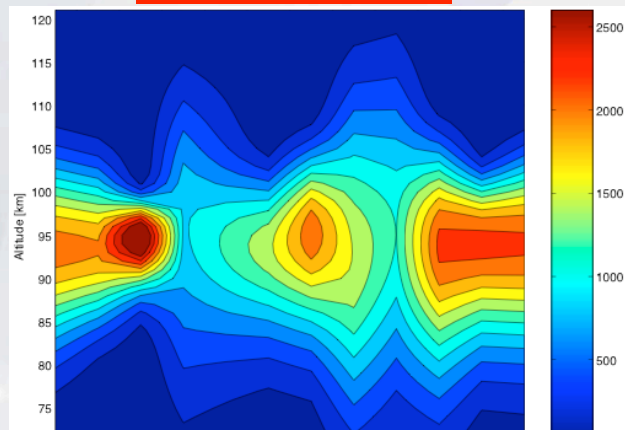
GOMOS: Mesospheric observations

O3 mixing ratio (log)

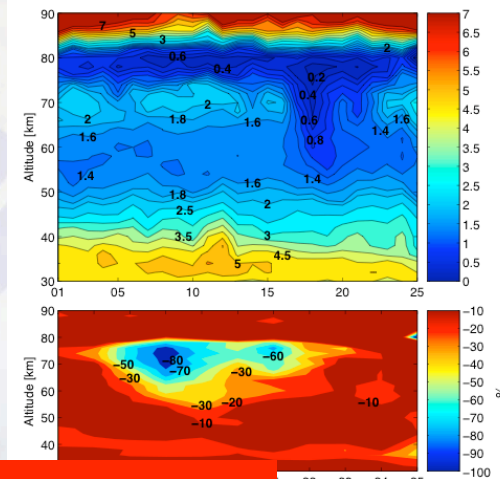
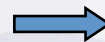


Ozone in the mesosphere and lower thermosphere has a large diurnal cycle. The values at night are much larger than during daytime. GOMOS observations provide an excellent data source for this region. The sodium layer and noctilucent clouds (NLC) have also been observed from GOMOS measurements.

Sodium layer



Destruction of tertiary zone maximum by solar protons

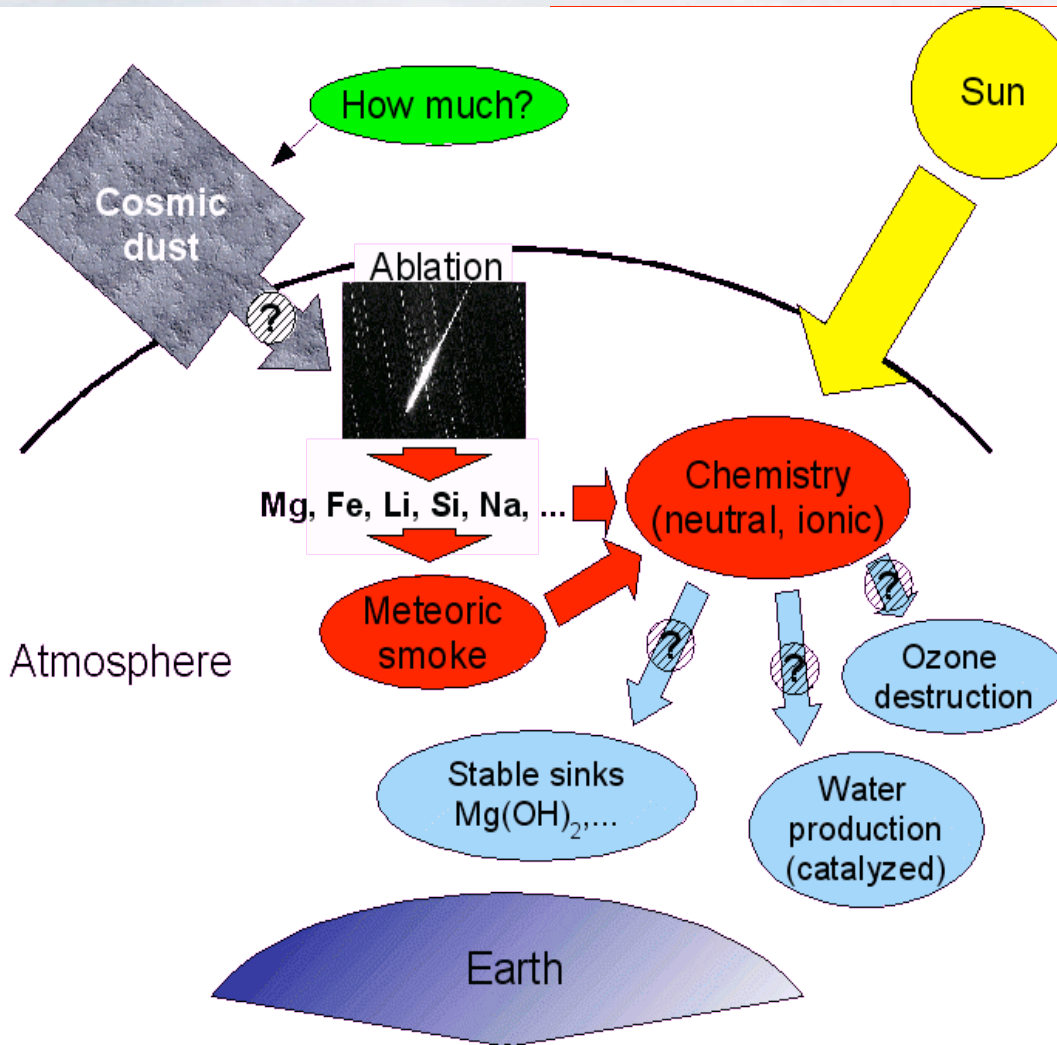


Seppälä et al., GRL, 33, 7, L07804, 2006.

Fussen et al., GRL, 31, 24, L021618, 2004.

Science #2: Comets, Dust, Meteorites \Leftrightarrow Upper Atmosphere

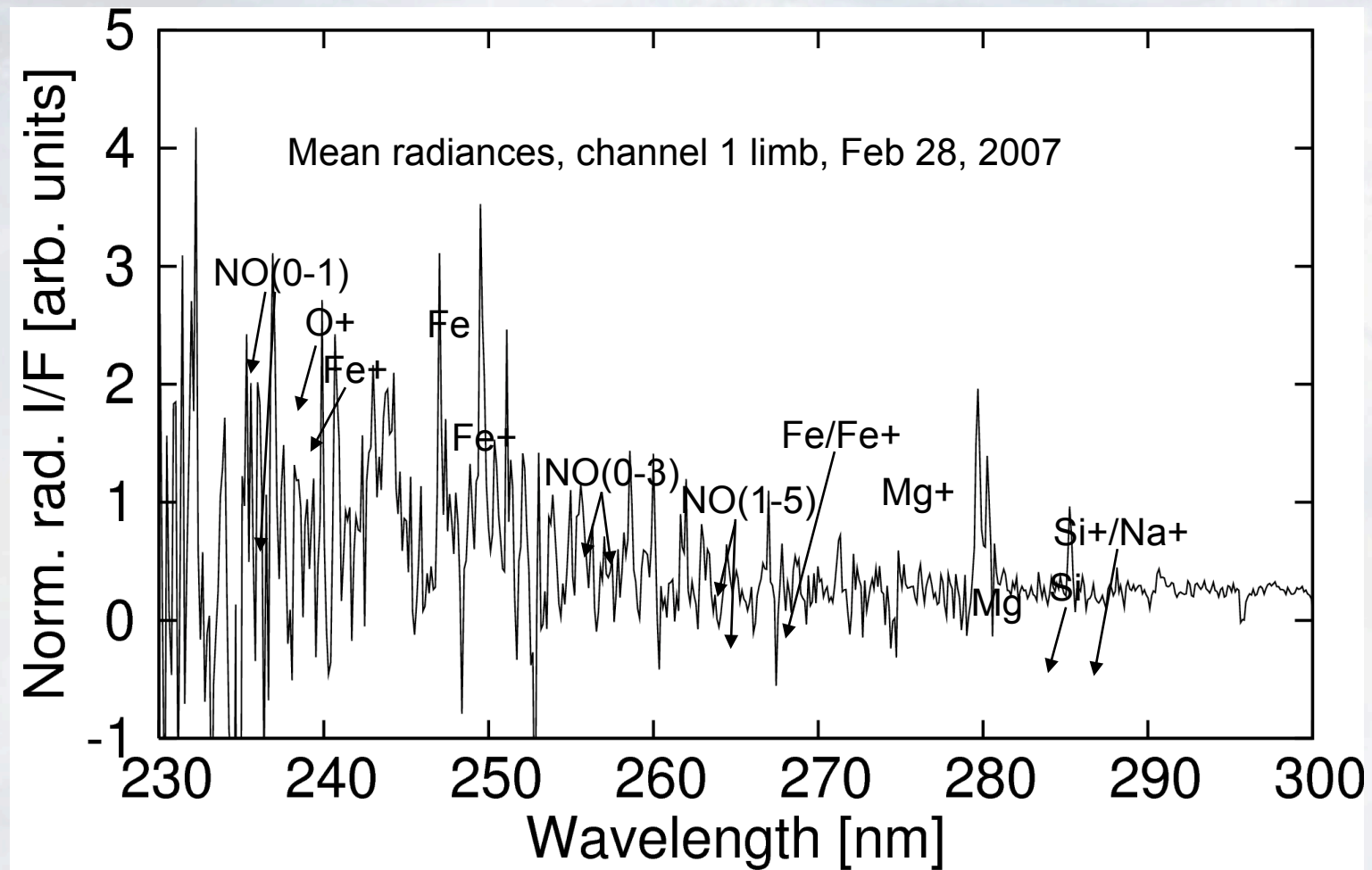
Comets, (photo) leave a trail of dust and gas as they approach the sun as their orbit crosses the inner solar system. The meteor showers occur when Earth's orbit crosses the comet's orbit.



at 72 km s^{-1}

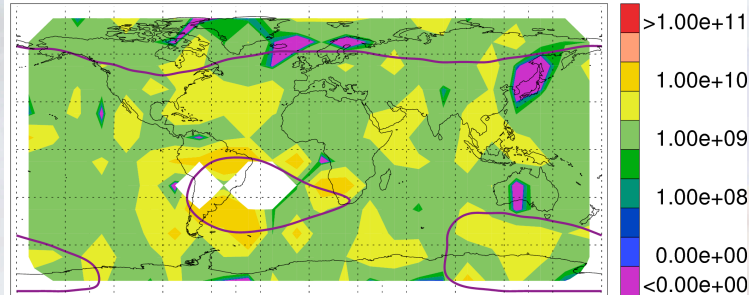
of the material, originates from Mars, and from meteorite trails.

Emission signals identified - SCIAMACHY spectra

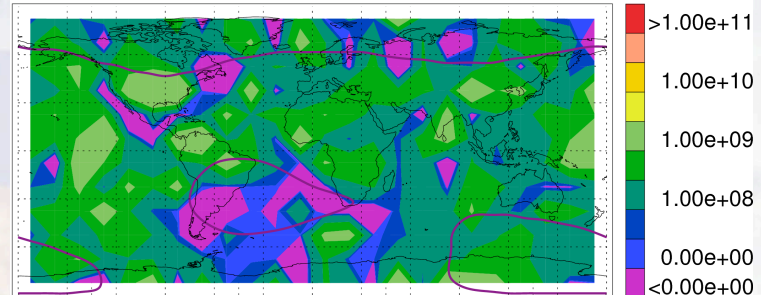


SCIAMACHY Limb: First Observations of Mg and Mg+

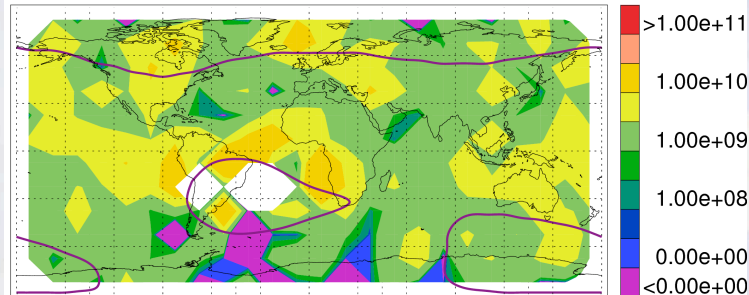
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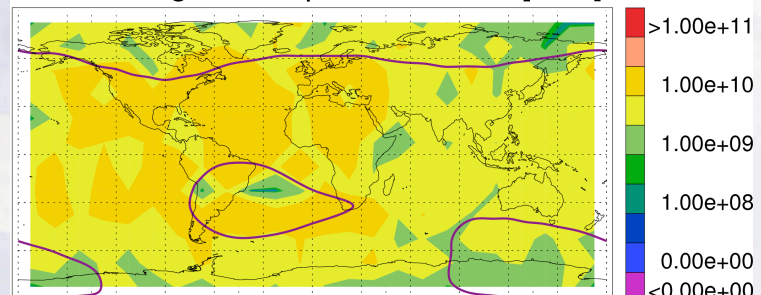
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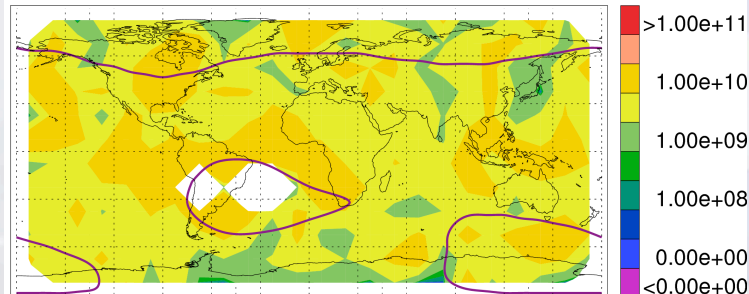
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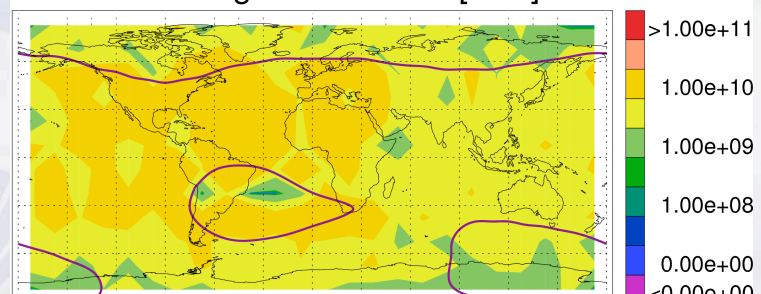
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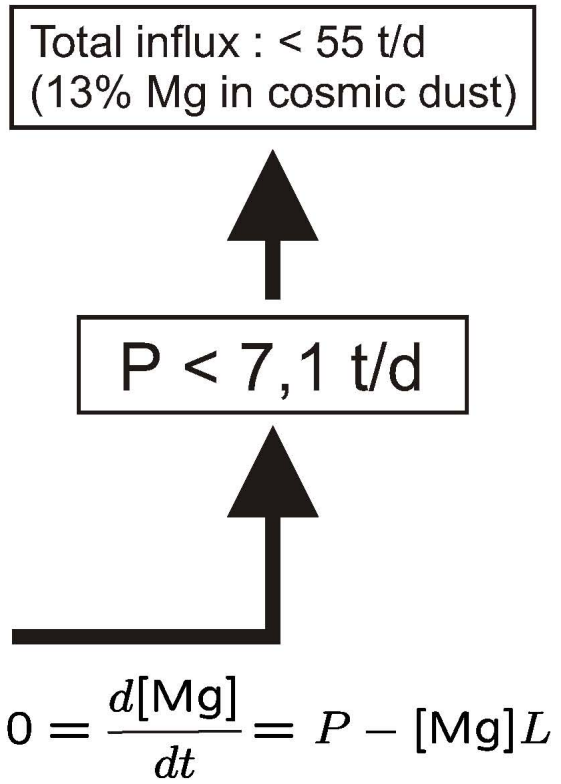
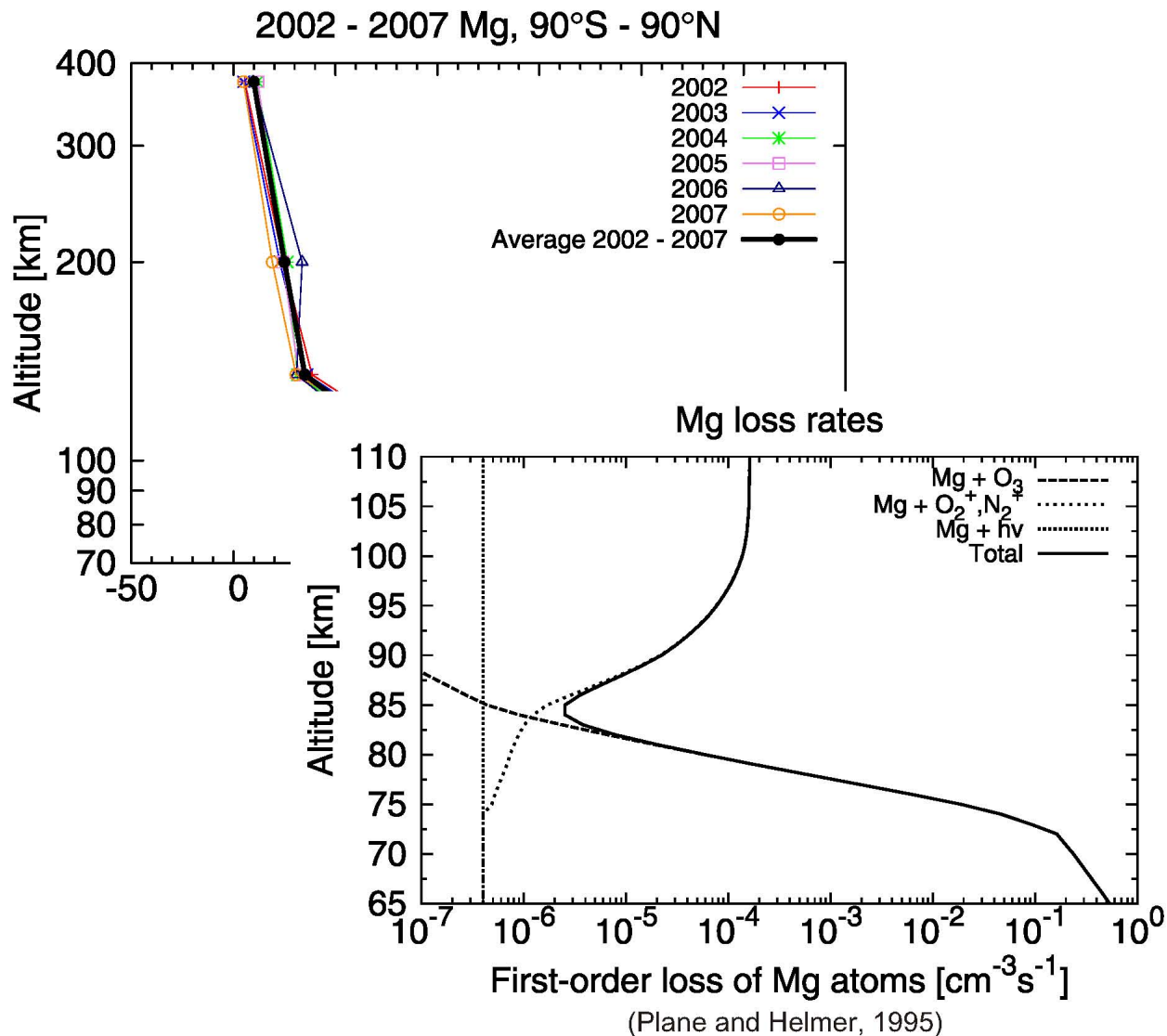
200603 MgII total column [cm⁻²]



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Results: Total influx of cosmic dust



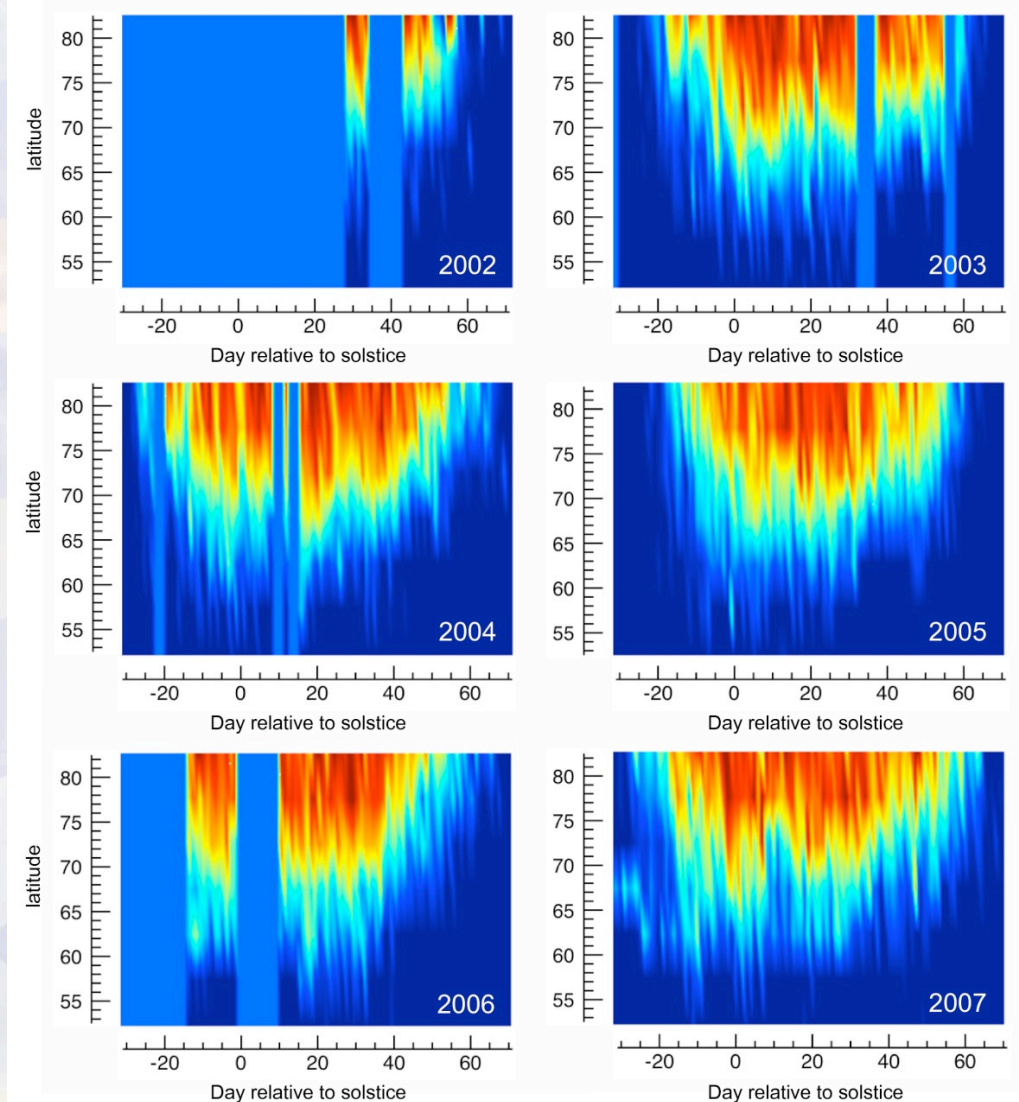
SCIAMACHY: Polar mesospheric Noctilucent Clouds early indicators of global change

- Occurrence near 85 km at polar latitudes during summer
- SCIAMACHY allows cloud detection, particle size and ice mass retrievals



Picture taken by P. Parviainen

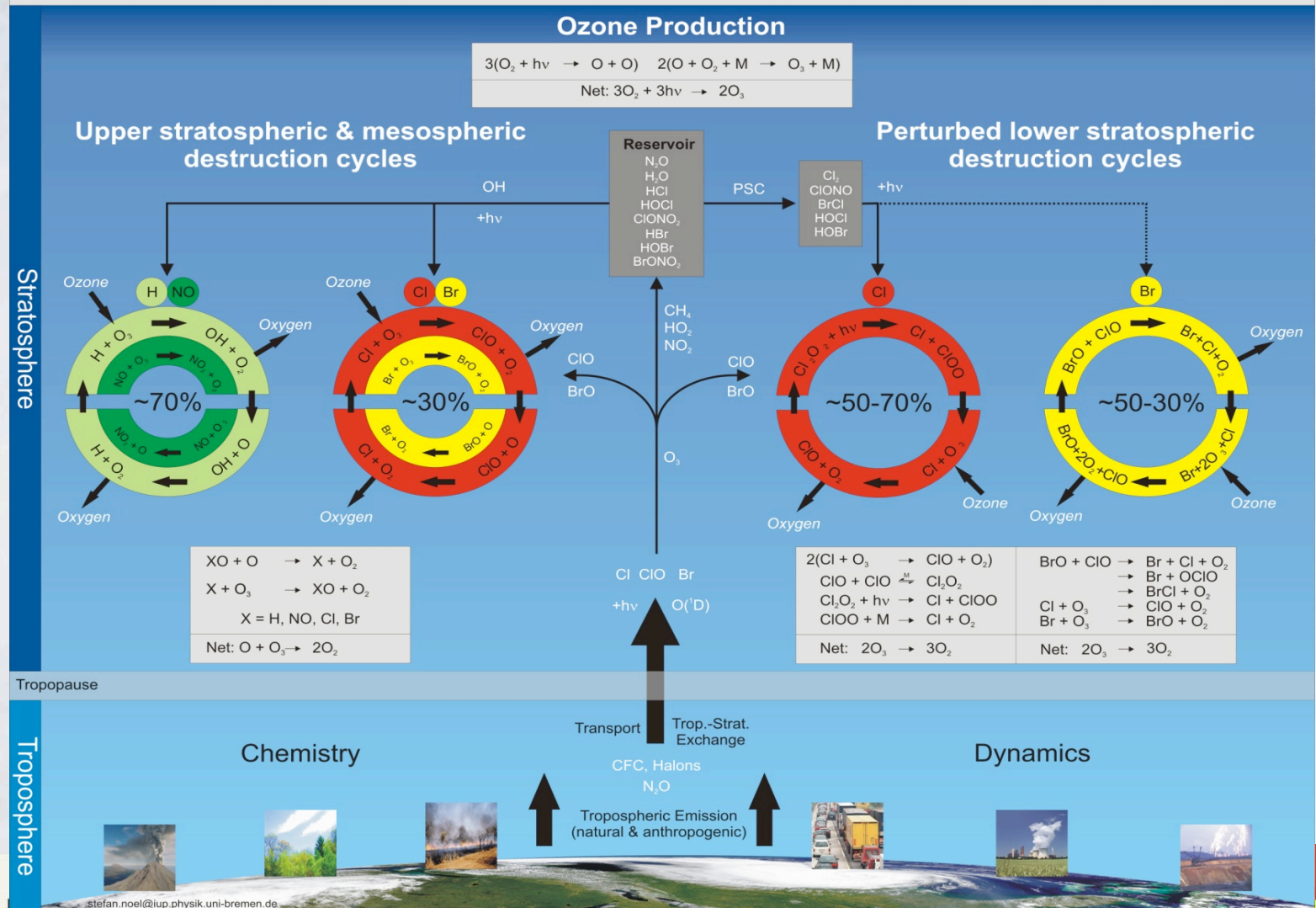
Noctilucent cloud occurrence rate



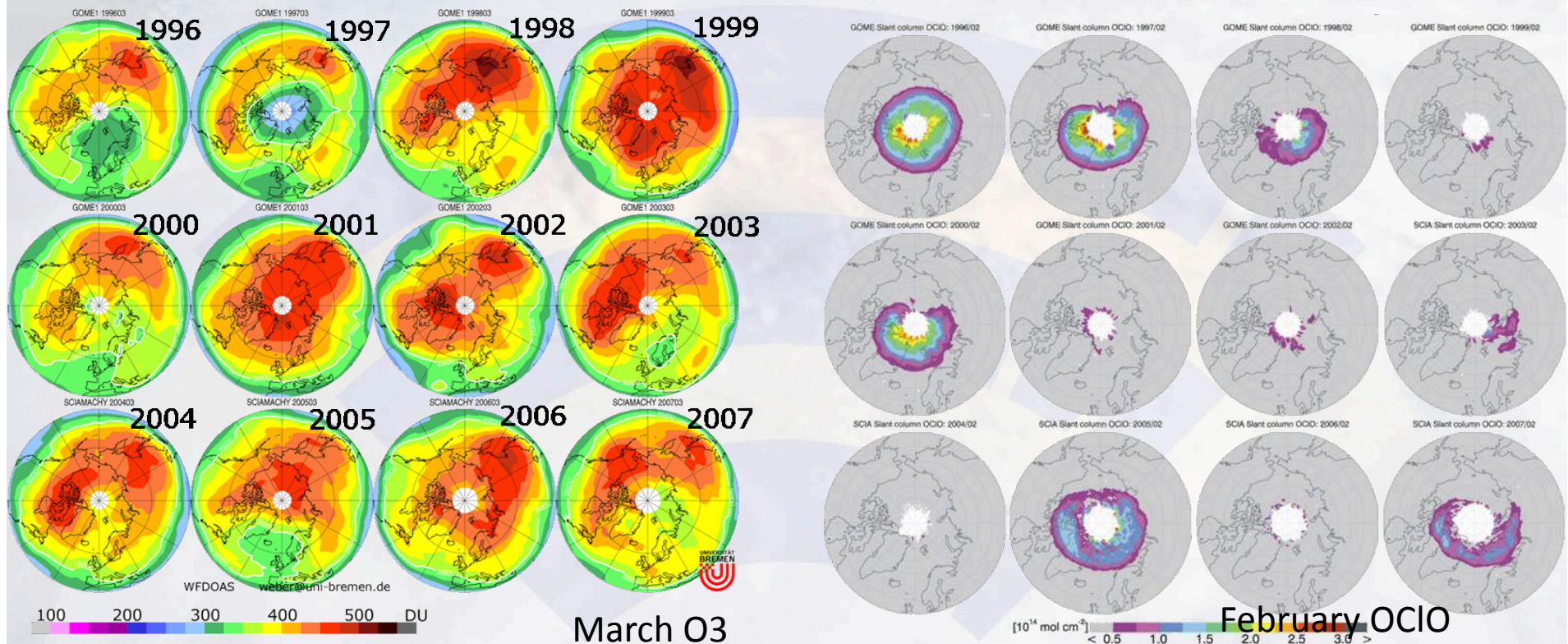
Robert et al., JASTP, 2008

Science 3: Stratopsheric Chemistry, Transport, and Dynamics – Ozone Recovery?

Ozone Production & Catalytic Destruction

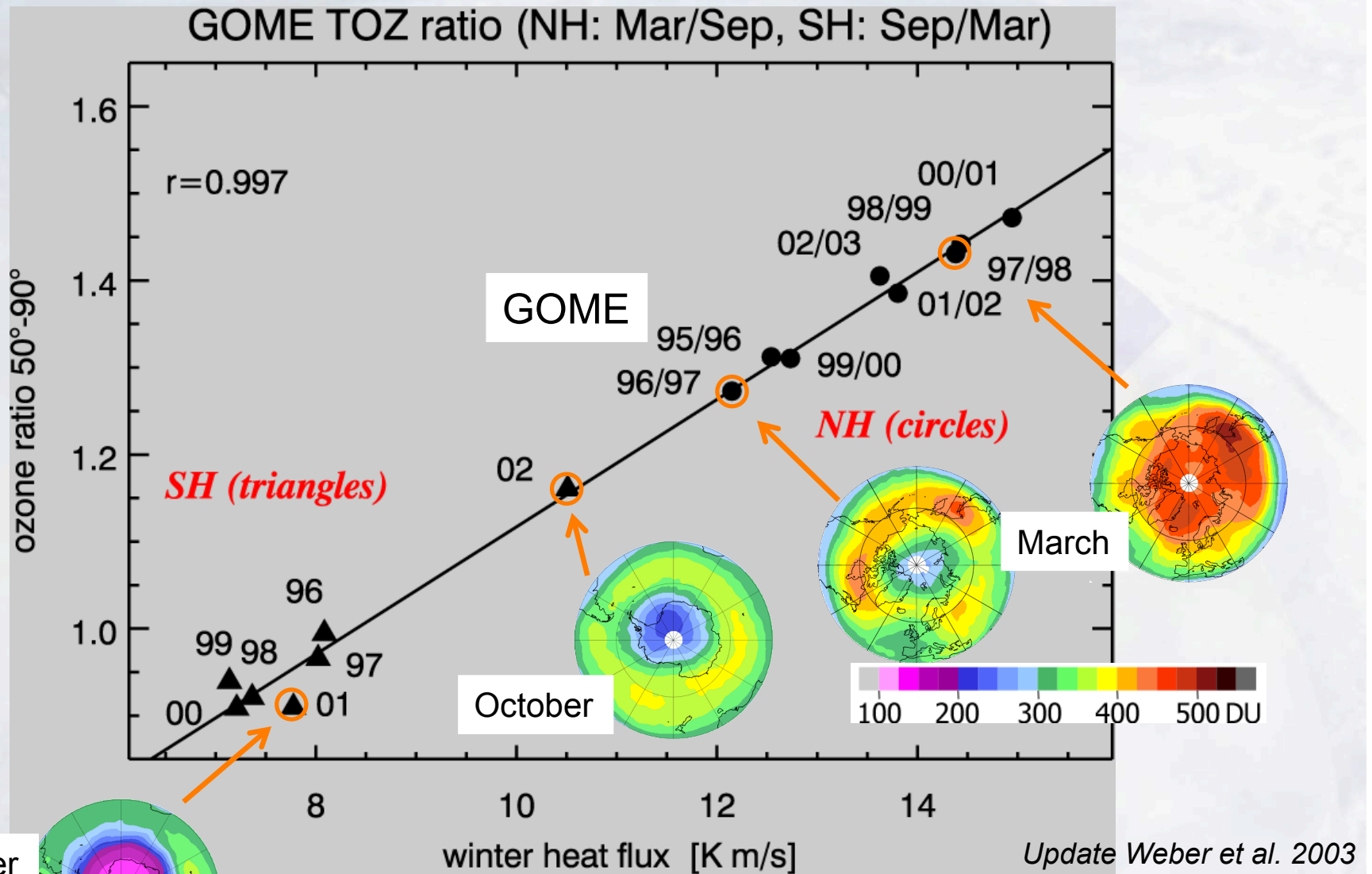


NH March total O3 and February OClO from GOME/SCIAMACHY



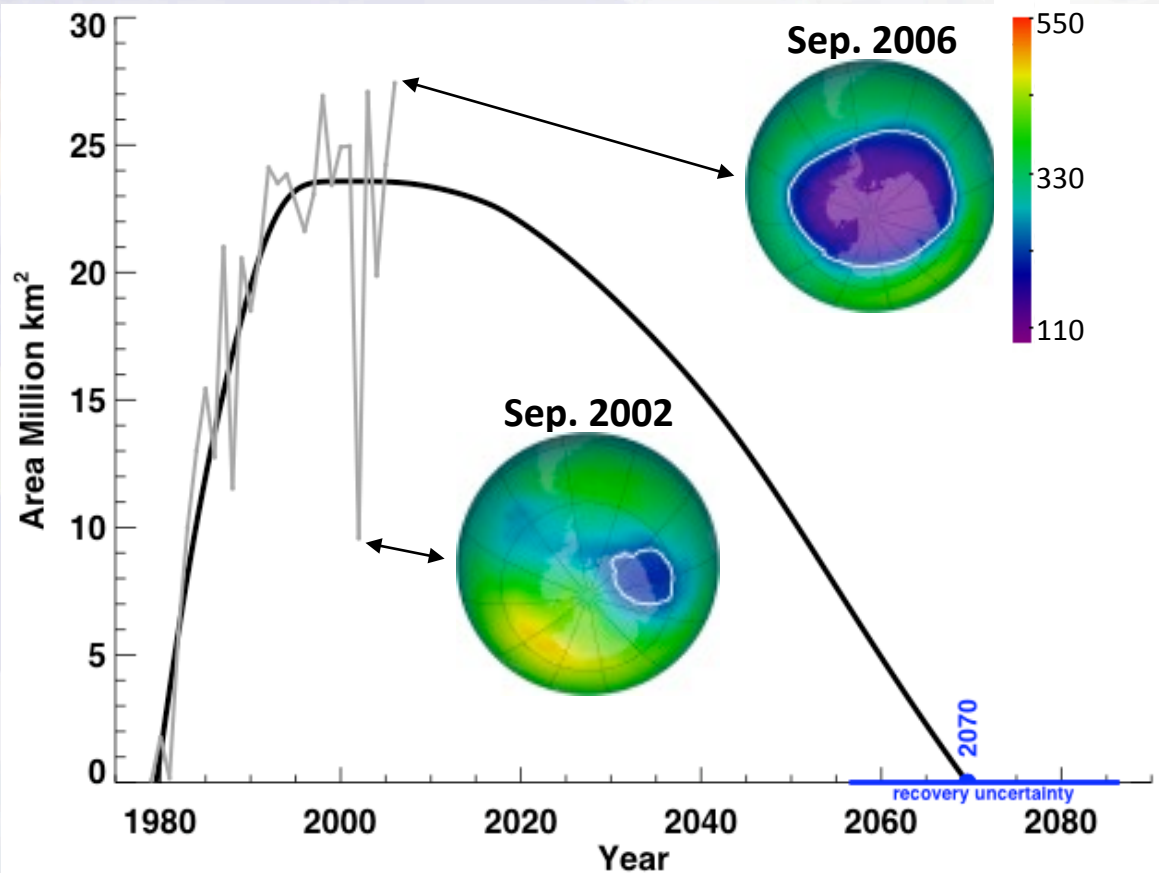
- About half of the Arctic winters show low ozone and high chlorine activation („cold“ winters), the other half high ozone and little or no chlorine activation („warm“ winters)
- Inter-annual variability in PSCs, chlorine activation and ozone transport

Chemical-dynamical coupling



Ozone Hole Recovery

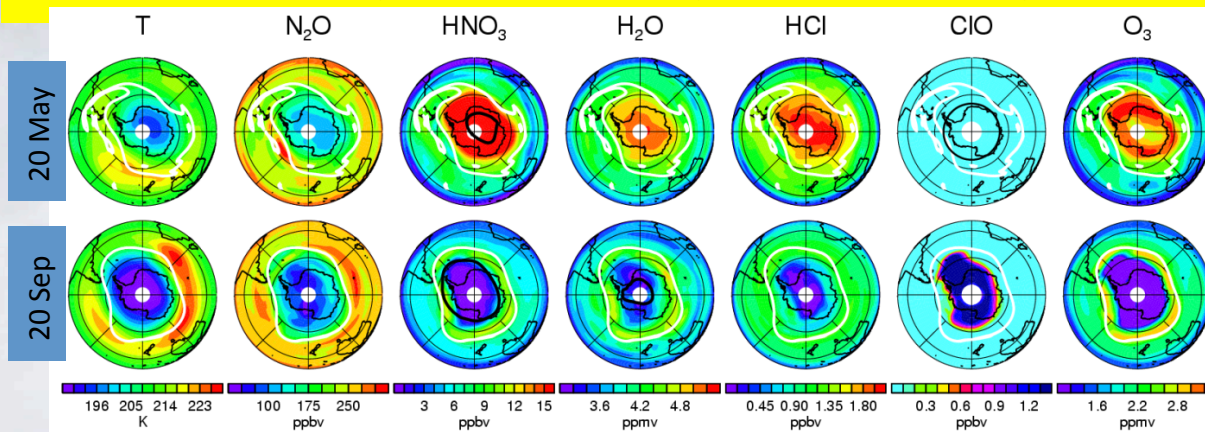
- Antarctic ozone depletion (the “ozone hole”) is caused by human-produced chlorine and bromine gases (CFC’s). Ozone screens harmful ultraviolet radiation. Now that CFC’s are banned when will the ozone hole recover?
- We have developed a parametric model of the ozone hole area that is based upon satellite, ground, and aircraft observations of ozone and chlorine and bromine species.
- From this model, we estimate that the ozone hole area will begin to decrease in 2023, and will be fully recovered to 1980’s levels by 2070.
- Recent occurrences of particularly small (2002) or large (2006) ozone holes are not indicative of a long-term trend.
- **P. Newman R. KAWA and SBUV TOMS + OMI O3 scientists and colleagues NASA**



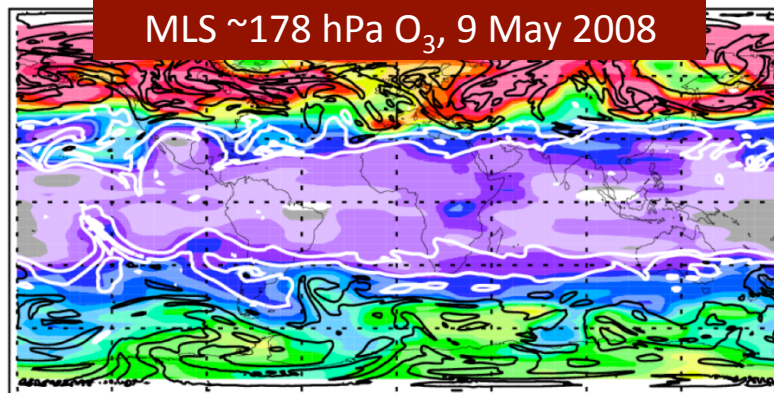
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Scientific goals of Aura MLS

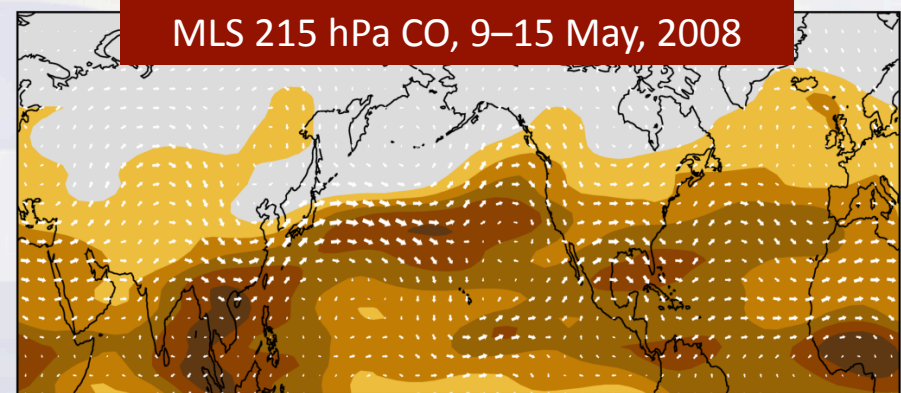
Track the stability of the stratospheric ozone layer



MLS observations of the 2006 Antarctic 'ozone hole' development in the lower stratosphere



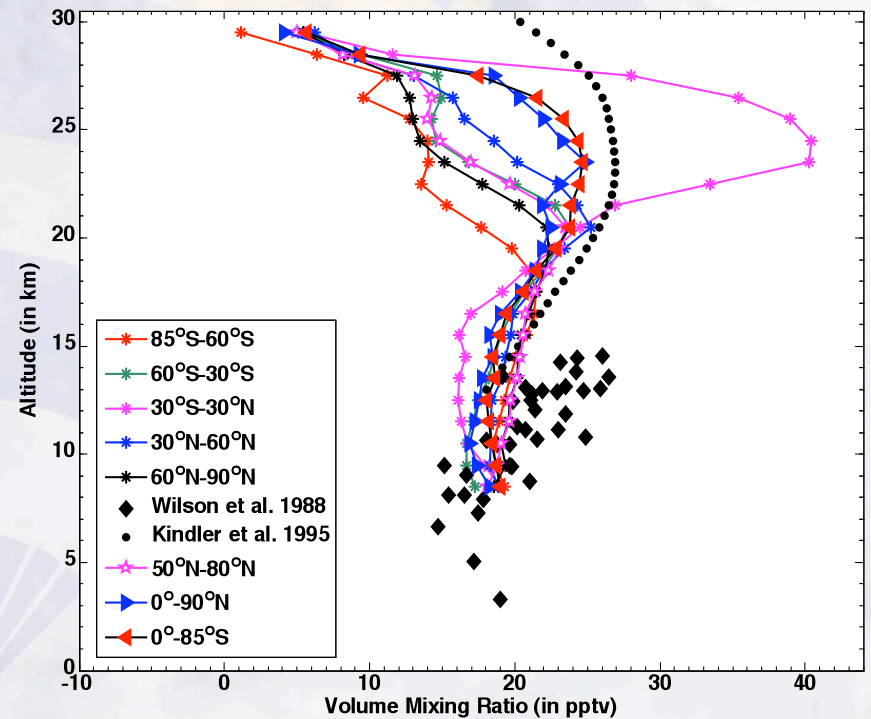
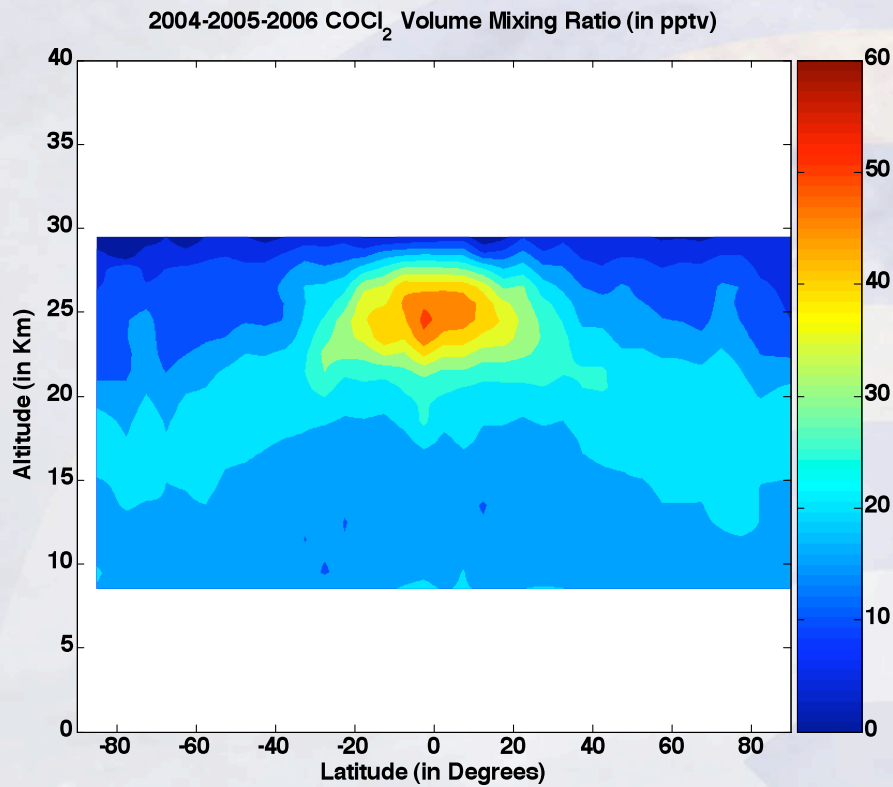
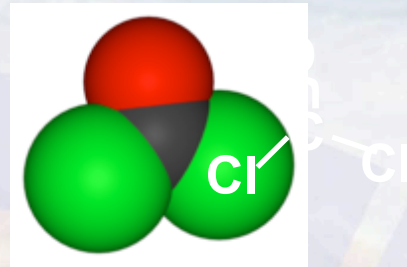
Quantify aspects of how composition affects climate



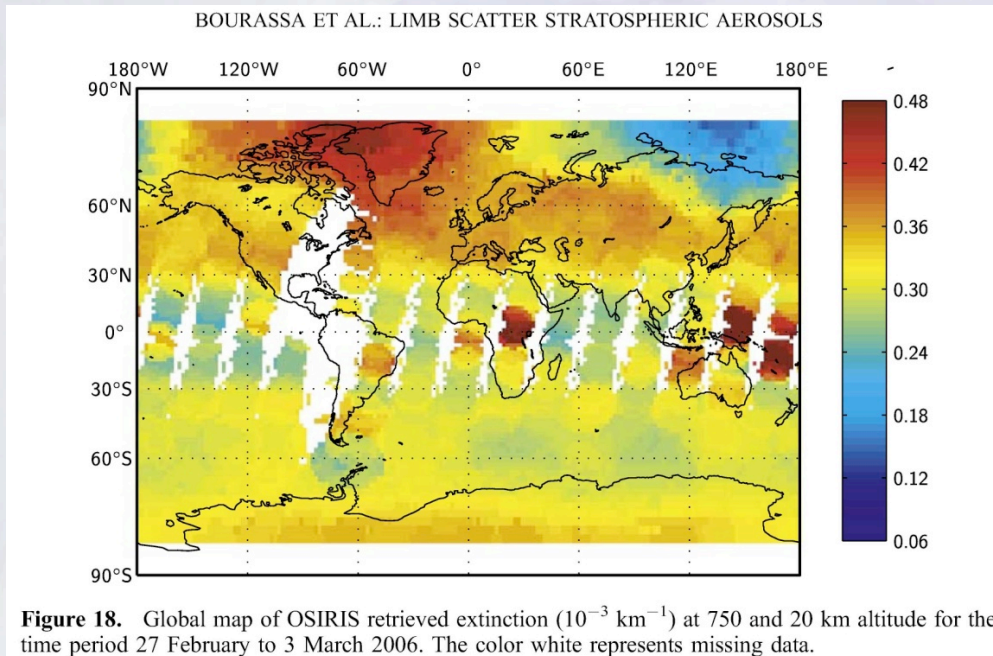
Study the behavior and transport of air pollution in the upper troposphere

SCISAT/ACE: Global Distribution of Phosgene, Cl_2CO

Fu et al. GRL, 34, L17815 (2007)



Stratospheric aerosol extinction profiles from OSIRIS on ODIN



Bourassa et al., JGR, 2007

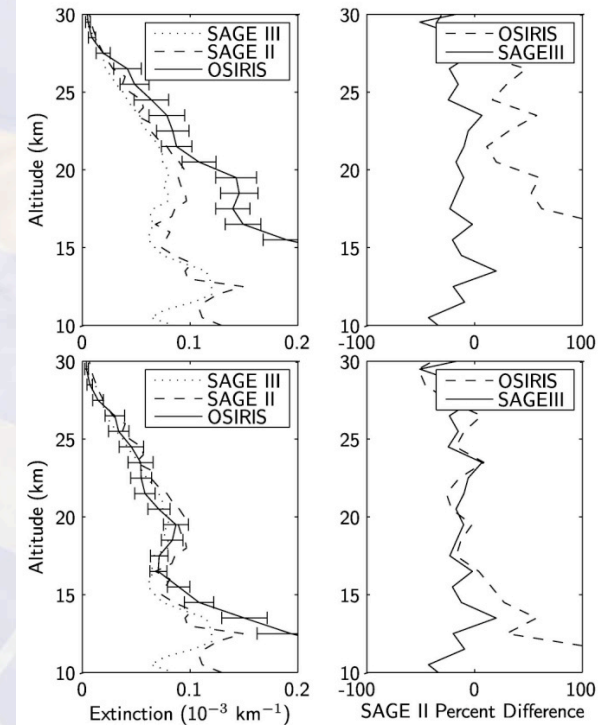
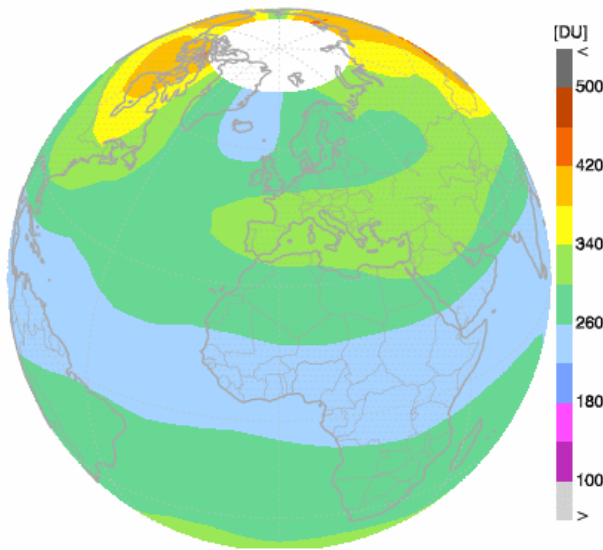


Figure 17. A comparison of coincident midlatitude SAGE II, SAGE III and OSIRIS aerosol 1020 nm extinction profiles. OSIRIS number density is converted to extinction using corresponding Mie cross sections. In the top panels, the OSIRIS retrieval uses the size distribution of *Bingen et al.* [2004] used for the modeling work. For the lower panels, the retrieval is performed using background layer size distribution parameters consistent with in situ measurements by *Deshler et al.* [2003] in 2001 (mode radius of 0.08 micron, mode width of 1.6 at all altitudes).

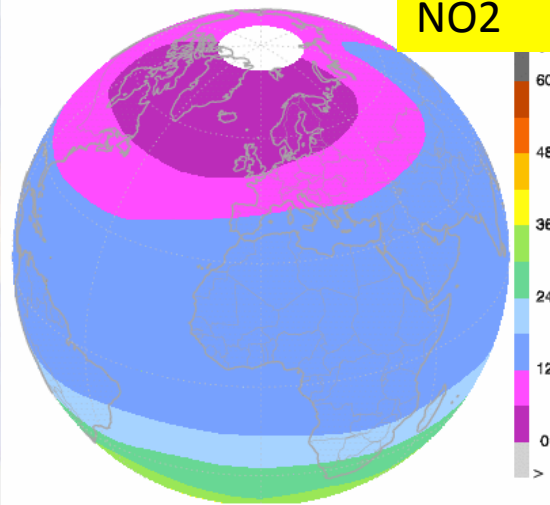
SCIAMACHY Limb: Stratospheric Columns and Cloud Top Heights

STRATO 1.63 Total Ozone [DU]: 2003/01/09



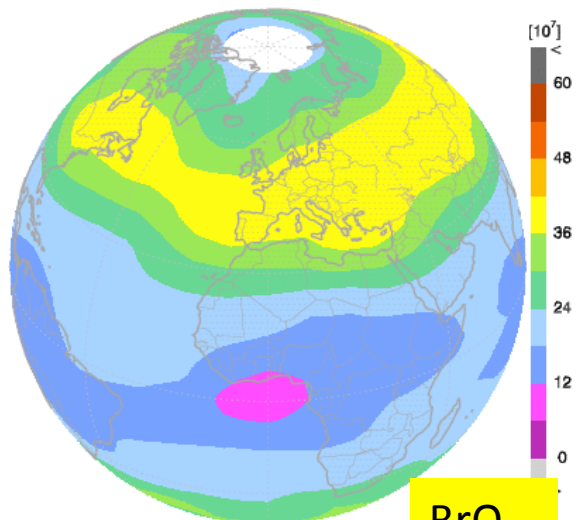
Stratospheric Ozone

SCIAMACHY stratospheric NO₂: 2003/01/10



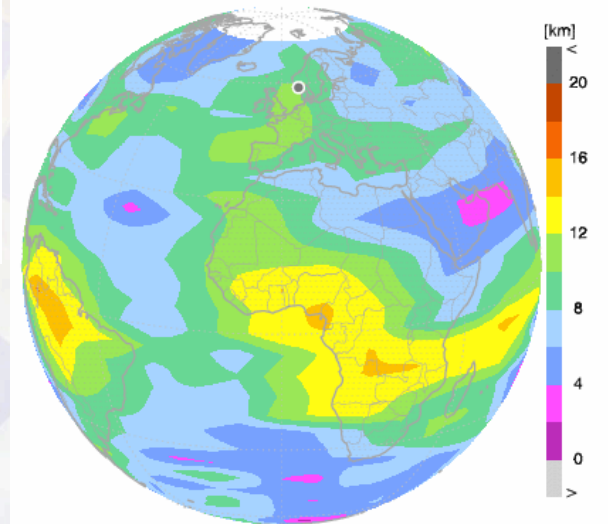
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SCIAMACHY stratospheric BrO 2003/01/10



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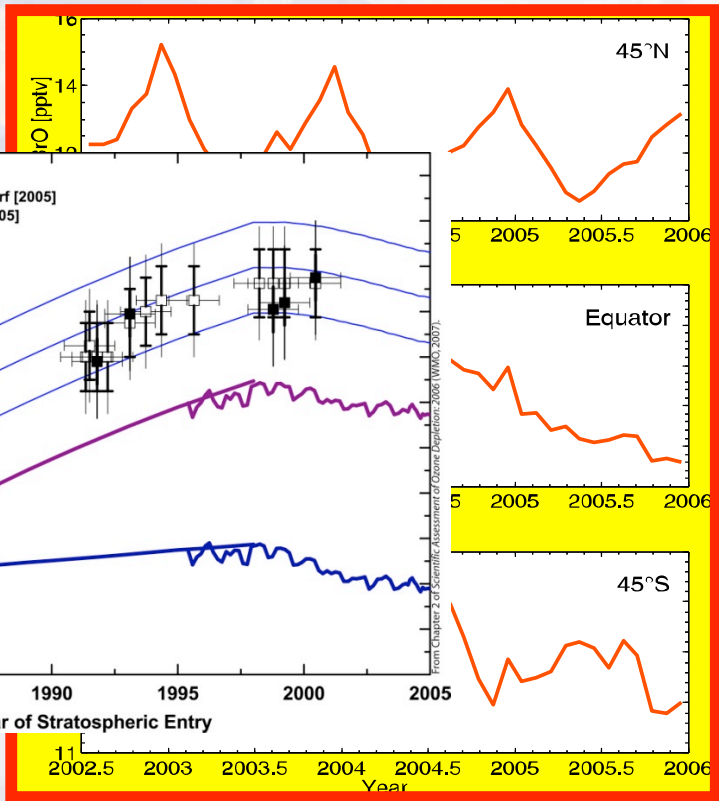
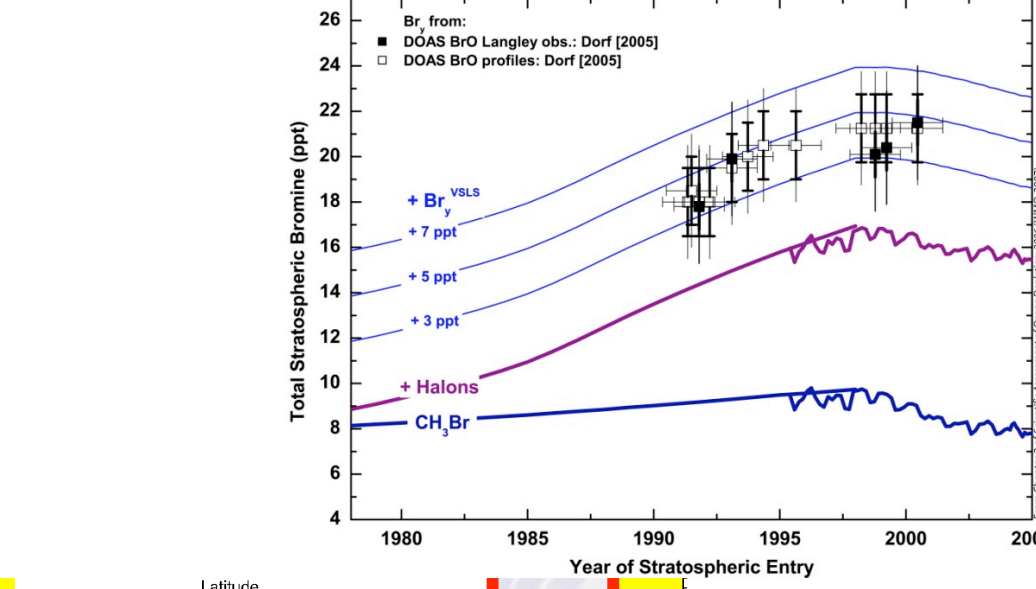
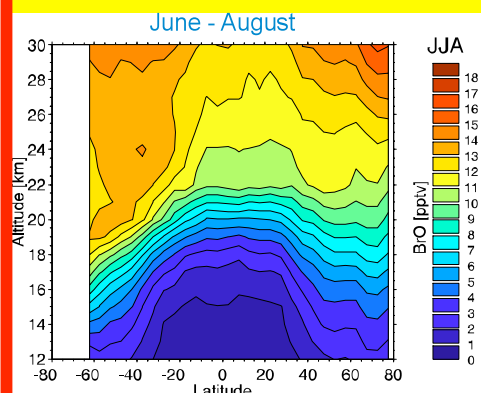
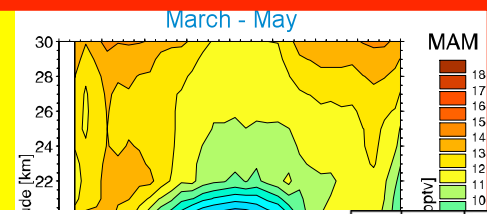
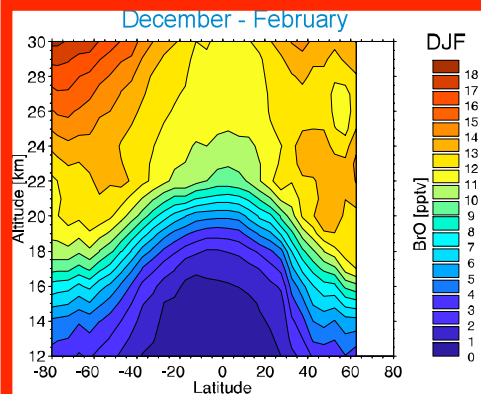
Cloud Top Height and PSC occurrence



SCIAMACHY: BrO Climatolgy

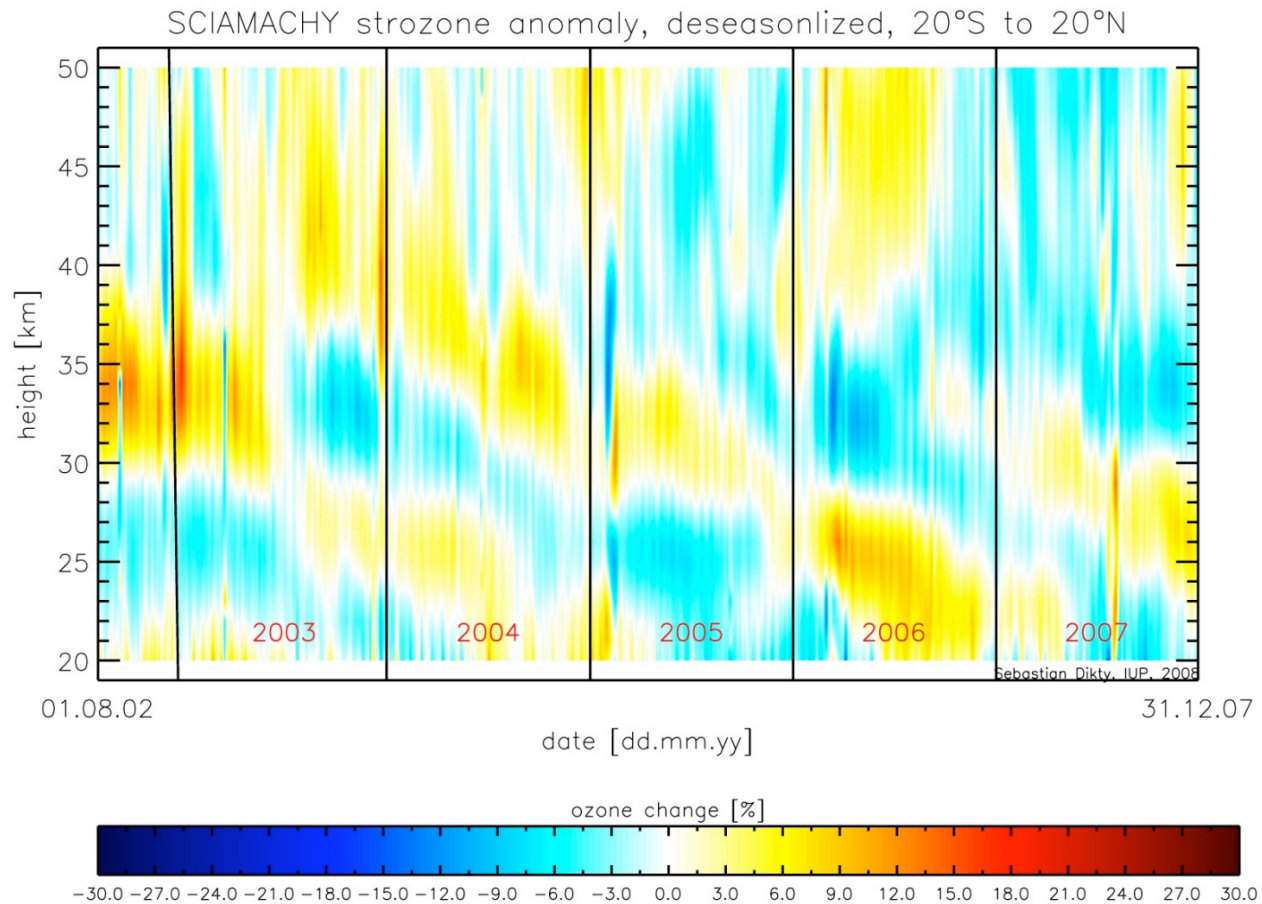
Average BrO mixing ratio, 2002 - 2005

BrO at 23 km (annual zonal means) response to MP?



Sheode et al., ACPD, 6, 2006
Sinnhuber et al., GRL, 32, 2005

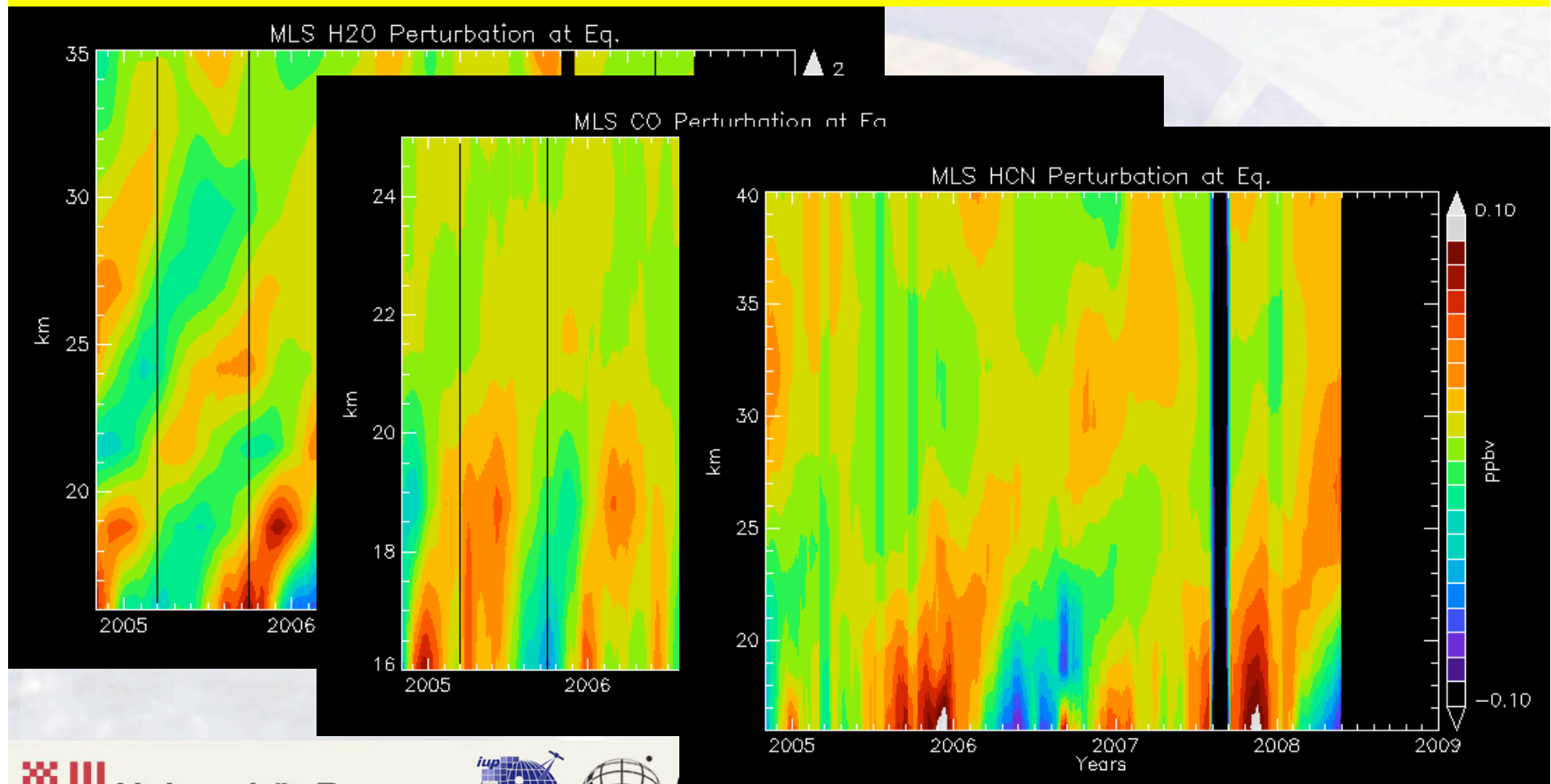
QBO in SCIAMACHY O₃ time series



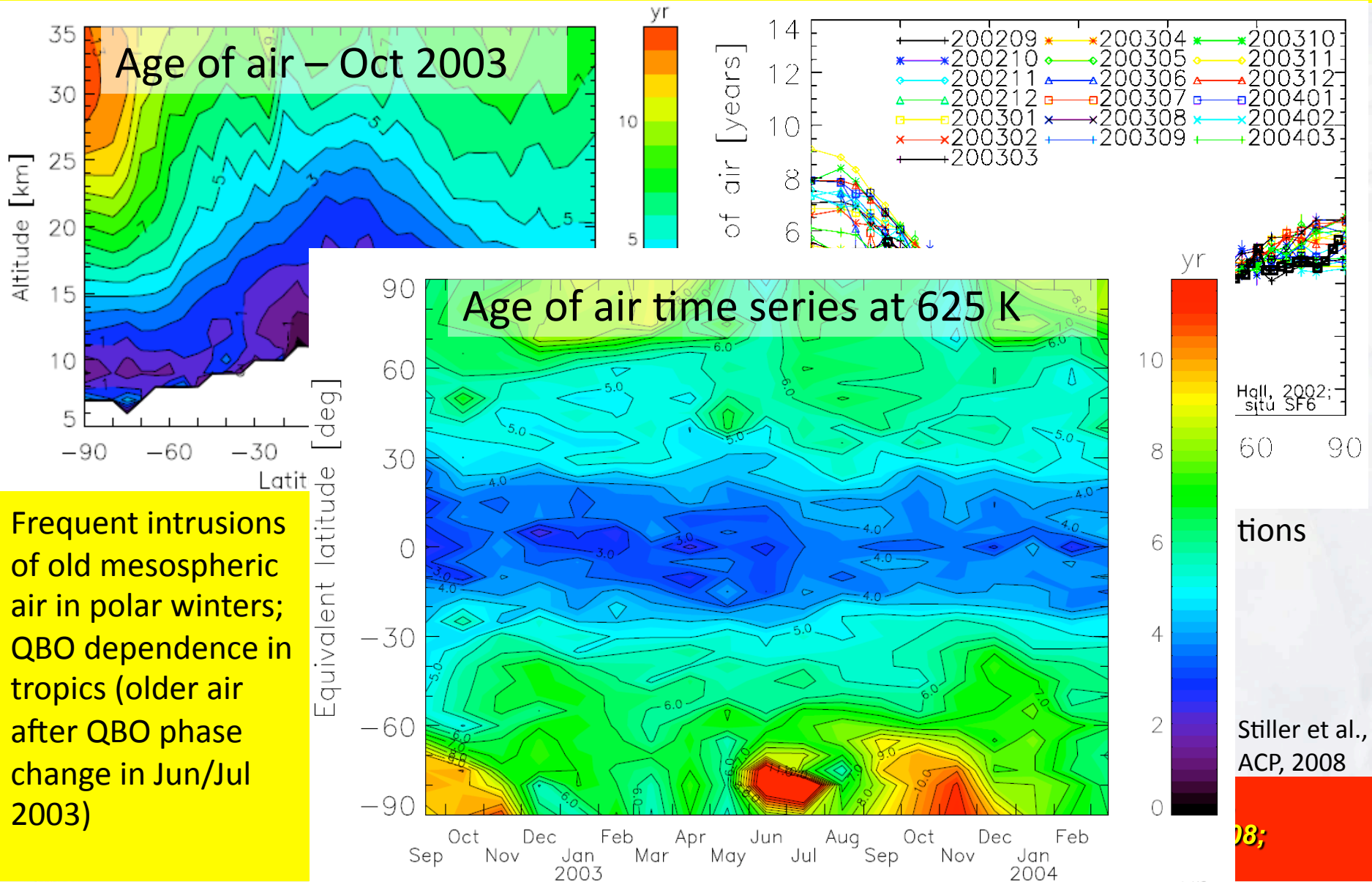
Dikty et al., 2008

MLS: Observations of Tape Recorders

Modulation of tropospheric stratospheric exchange at the equator - TTL region
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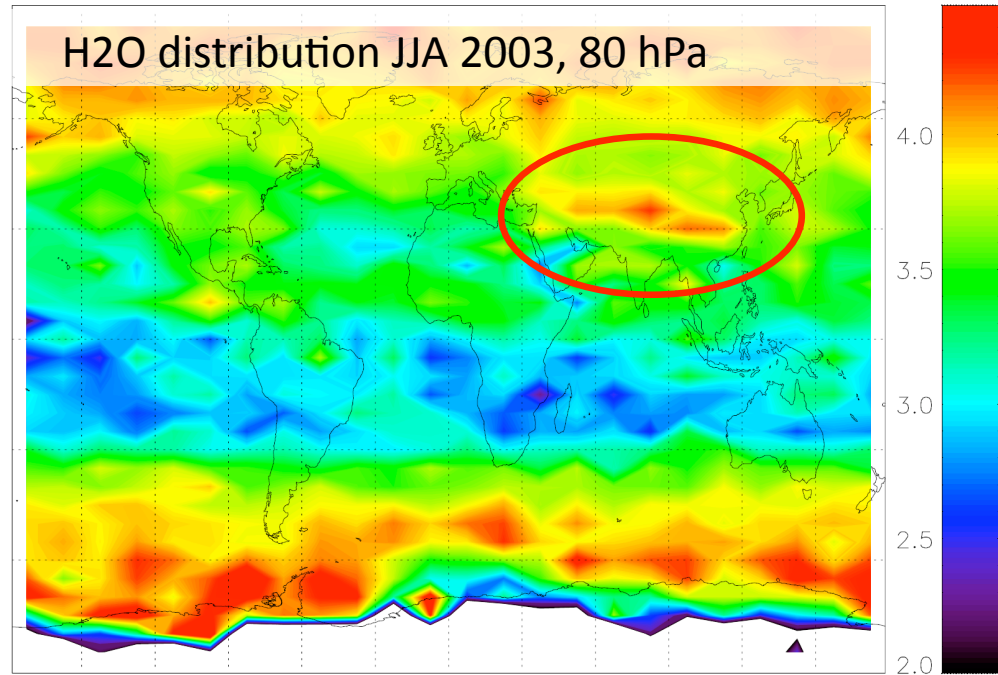
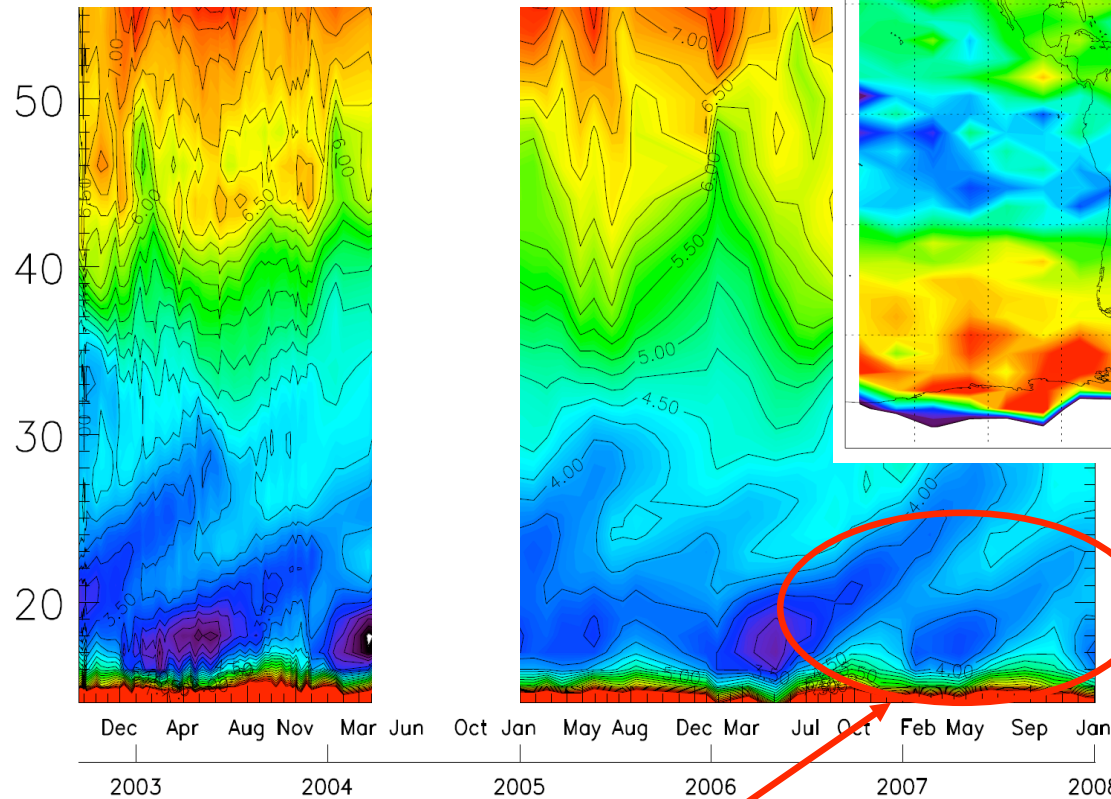
MIPAS: Stratospheric dynamics – global mean age of stratospheric air from SF6



Frequent intrusions of old mesospheric air in polar winters; QBO dependence in tropics (older air after QBO phase change in Jun/Jul 2003)

MIPAS: Troposphere – stratosphere transport of water vapor

Water vapor tape recc
10N-10S 2002 - 2008



Bypassing the TTL?
Uplift over the Tibetan plateau during Asian monsoon season (c.f. Fu et al., PNAS, 2006)



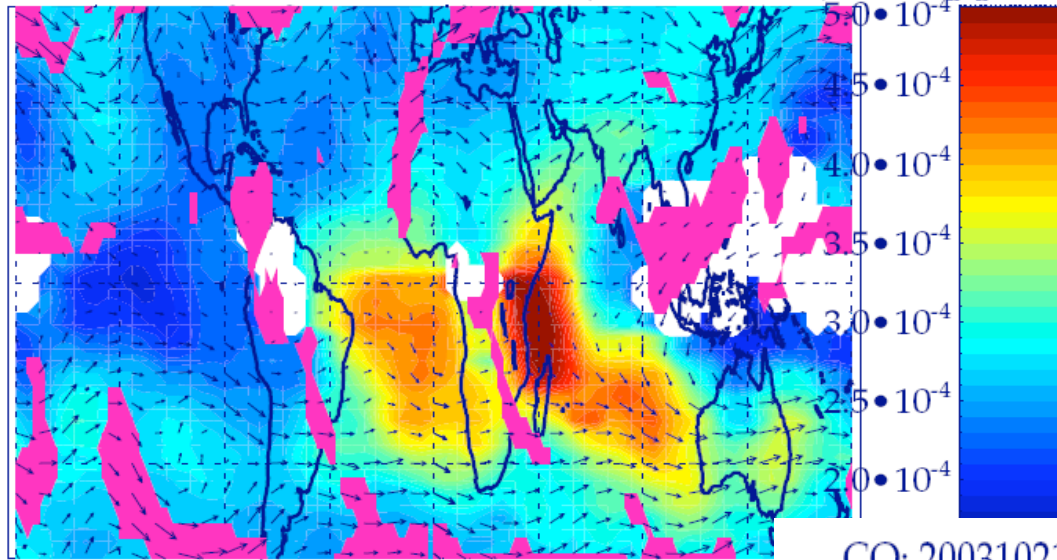
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MIPAS: Upper tropospheric pollution and ozone production by biomass burning

HCN: 20031021 Press= 200 hPa (10.4 - 12.6 km) ppmv

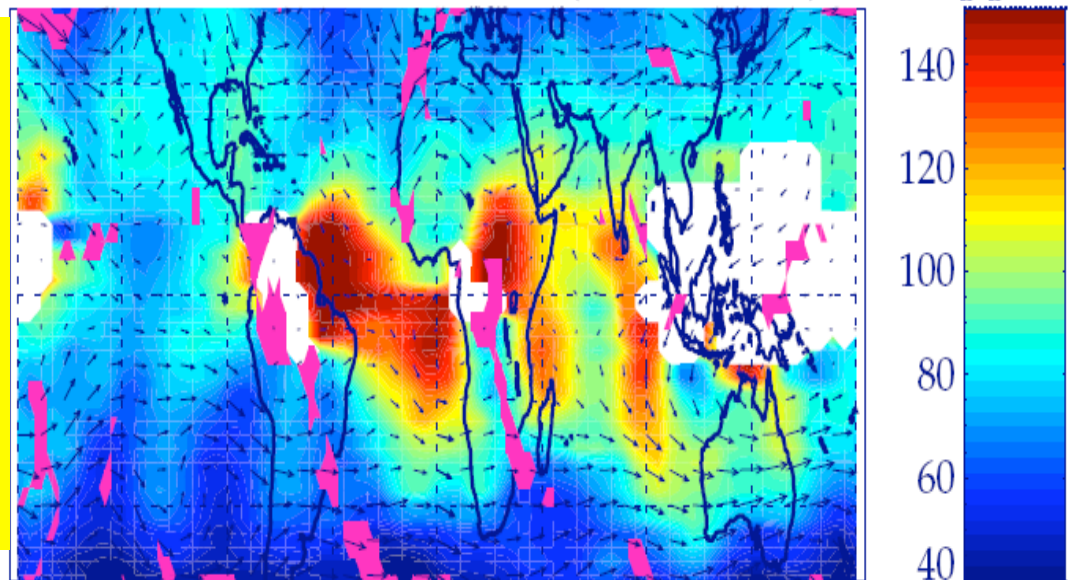


HCN plumes from biomass burning in S-America and Africa transported into UT (10-12 km)
21 Oct 2003
HCN lifetime: several months

CO plumes in UT 10-12 km for the same day: additional pollution South of India towards Australia indicates non-biomass burning sources =>

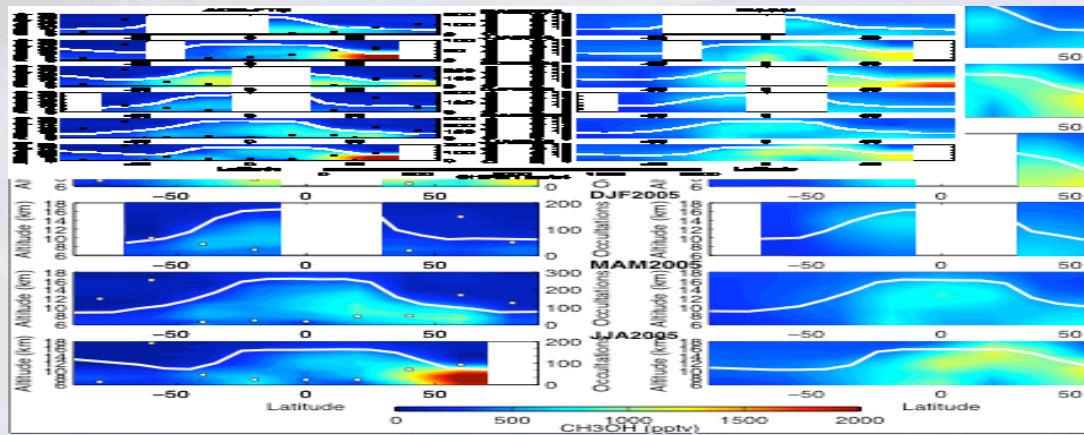
Source types can be identified by synergistic view of various pollutants

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SCISAT/ACE: Global Methanol

ACE is an upper tropospheric “air quality” mission measuring global CH_4 , CH_3OH , HCN , C_2H_2 , C_2H_4 , C_2H_6 , H_2O_2 , HCOOH , H_2CO .

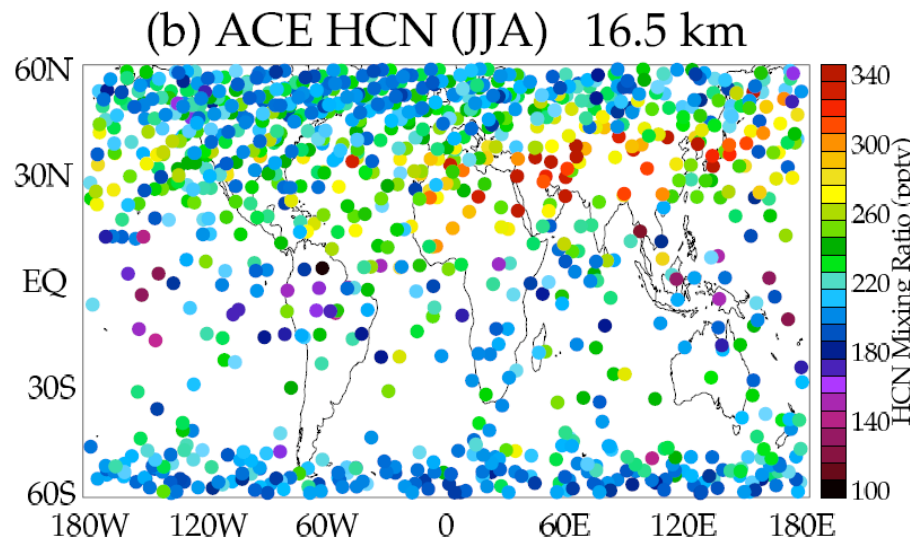
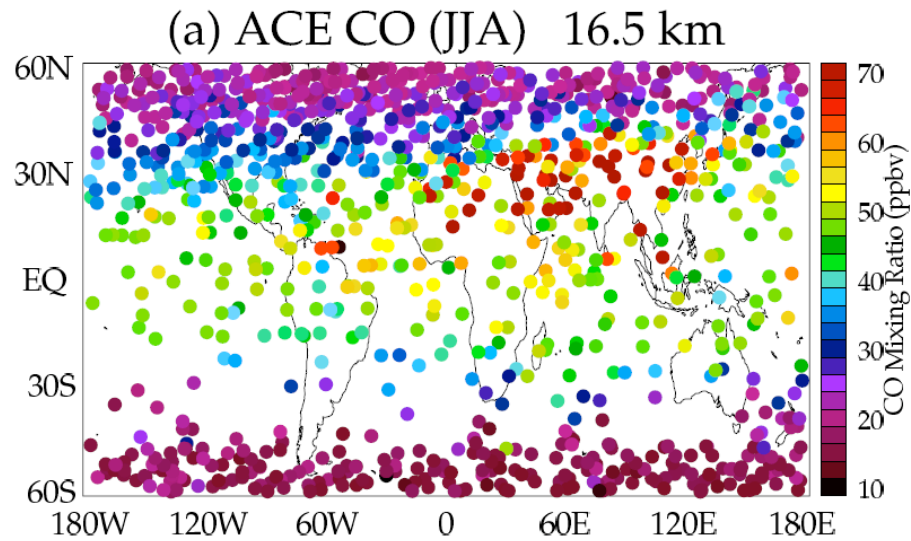


Dufour et al. ACP, 7, 6119
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LDMz-INCA model

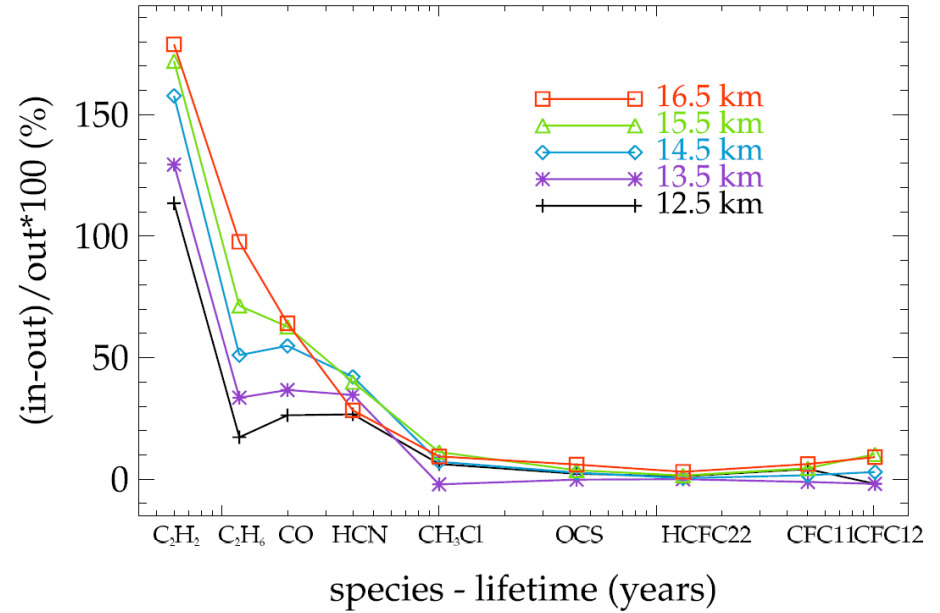
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SCISAT/ACE: Asian Monsoon Anticyclone



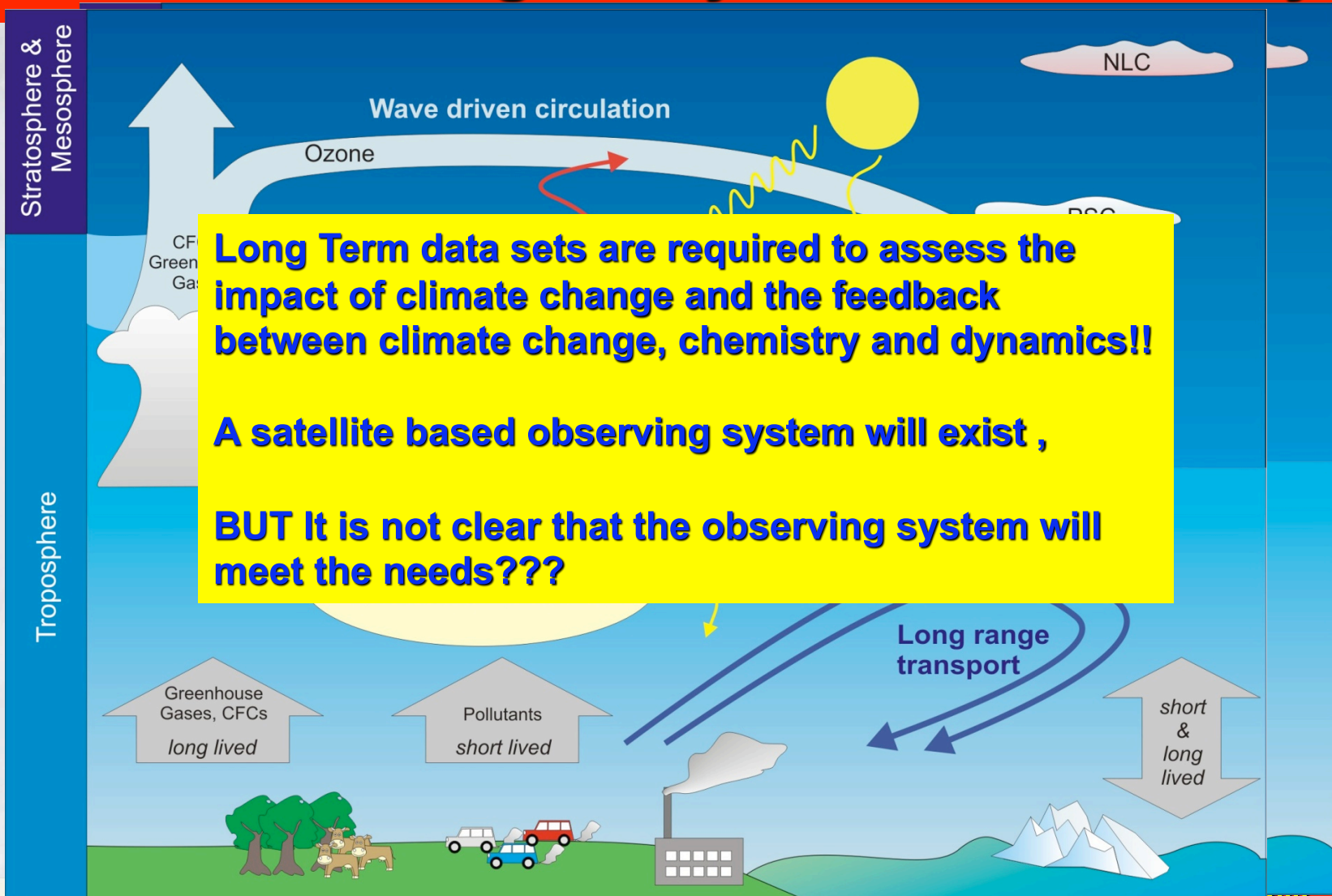
ACE-FTS

Park et al. ACP, 8, 757 (2008)



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Summary and Conclusions

- **Â golden pioneering age for the remote sensing of the region from the UT/LS to the Thermosphere – Development of techniques and Flagship missions – Space observations provide Global long term observations!!!!**
- **Passive Remote Sensing of key constituents – Trace Gases, aerosol and cloud properties using Microwave, Submm, TIR, and Solar Backscattered, solar, lunar and stellar occultation.**
- **Improving observations on the interactions between solar irradiance, CME/SPE and upper atmosphere.**
- **Currently Natural and anthropogenic (halogen release) destruction of the stratospheric Ozone and Ozone Hole chemistry relatively well observed from space. However improved data to test our knowledge of feedback.**
- **Montreal Protocol is working but identification of unambiguous Ozone recovery, complex because of changing dynamics.**
- **Climate Change and Chemistry feedback in and impact on the upper atmosphere is challenging – much more difficult than halogen destruction of Ozone – time scales => long consistent data sets are required => Much work to be done!!**



Three Phases (Socio-Economic/Sociological Hypotheses) of Space Missions

- **Incredulity**

- You can't possibly do that!
- Is it worth doing anyway?

- **Acceptance**

- Well... it might be worth doing ... maybe you can.

- **Demand**

- Is that the best you can do?
Why isn't it better!! – did you mess up or what?!

J. Drummond and J.P. Burrows

