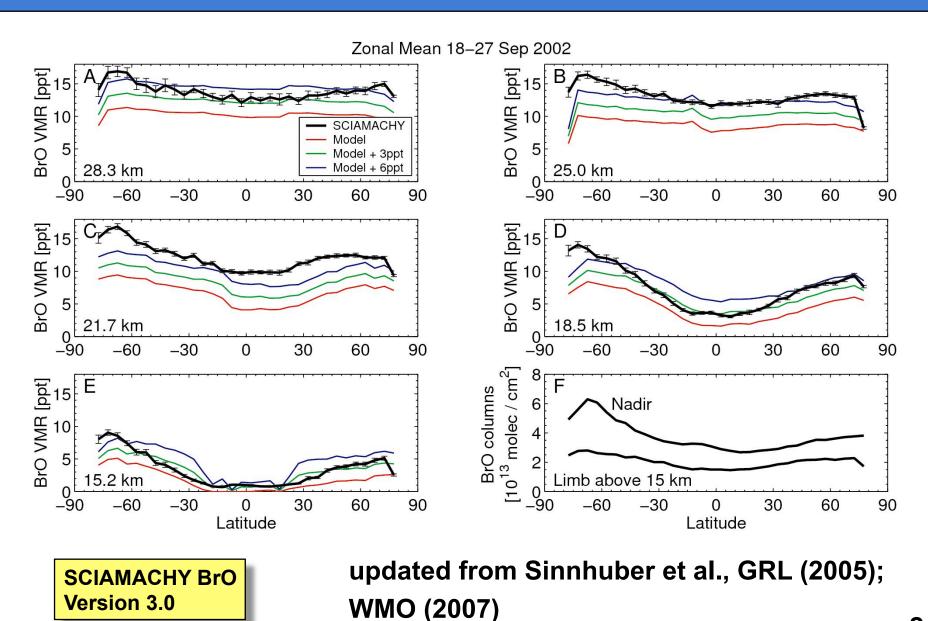
Observations of BrO in the stratosphere and TTL from SCIAMACHY / ENVISAT:

Implications for the transport of very short-lived source gases into the stratosphere

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SCIAMACHY BrO: Evidence for contribution from VSLS



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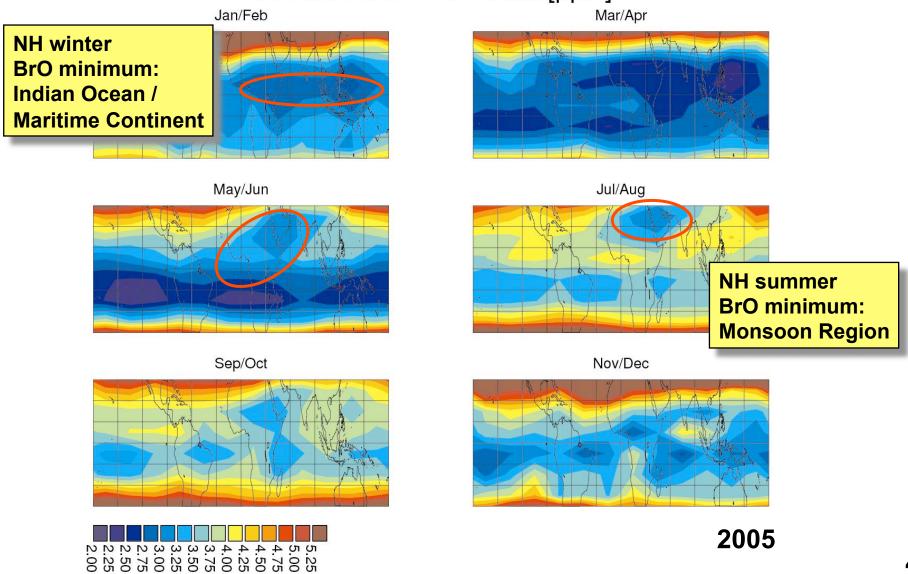
SCIAMACHY on ENVISAT

ENVISAT launched in March 2002
 BrO observations since August 2002



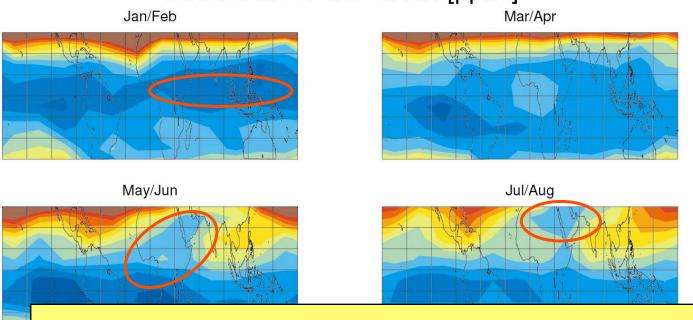
SCIAMACHY BrO: Tropical Lowermost Stratosphere

SCIAMACHY BrO 18 km [pptv]



SCIAMACHY Ozone

SCIAMACHY O3 18 km [ppbv]



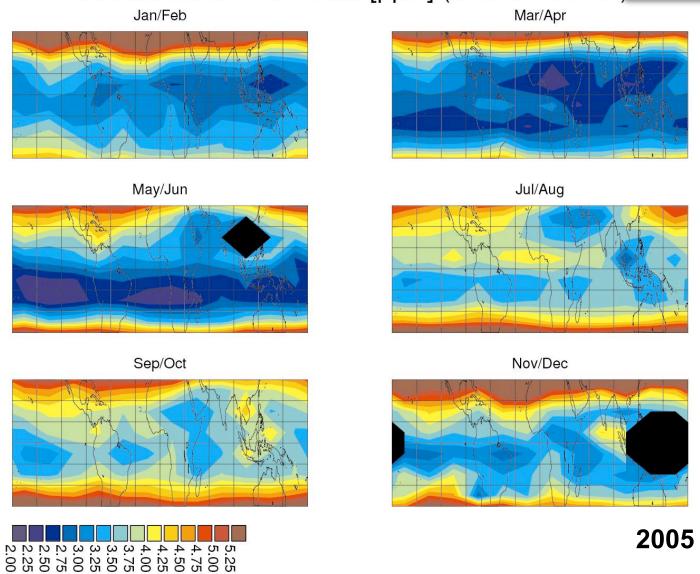
BrO minima associated with "deep convective regions"

- Retrieval artefacts due to high clouds?
- (Convective) transport of BrO poor air?
- Low BrO/Bry-ratio due to low ozone?

SCIAMACHY BrO: Cloud Free Observations

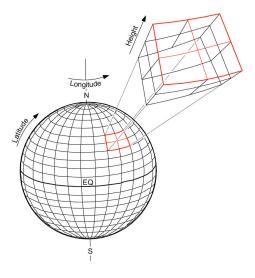
Cloud information from observed colour ratio

SCIAMACHY BrO 18 km [pptv] (CLOUD FREE,



3D Chemical Transport Model

- Stratospheric isentropic CTM with comprehensive chemistry; driven with UKMO analyses
- Output at local time of SCIAMACHY observations
- Prescribed lower boundary at 330K isentropic level
- No convective transport;
 trace gases set to tropospheric values
 up to 380K level in the tropics



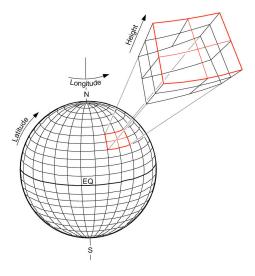
3D Chemical Transport Model: Bromine Loading

 Model bromine loading only from CH₃Br and Halons ("WMO Bromine")

Total bromine: 15.6 pptv

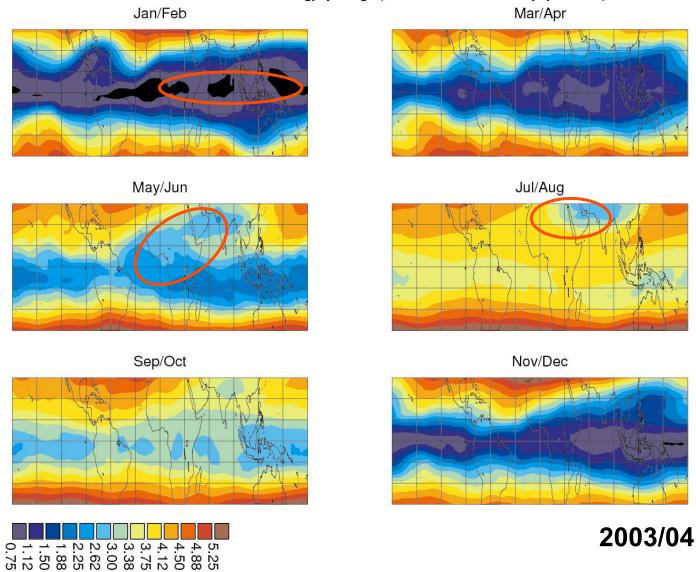
Scale modelled BrO to 20pptv total bromine:

$$BrO' = (BrO/Bry)(Bry + 4.4pptv)$$

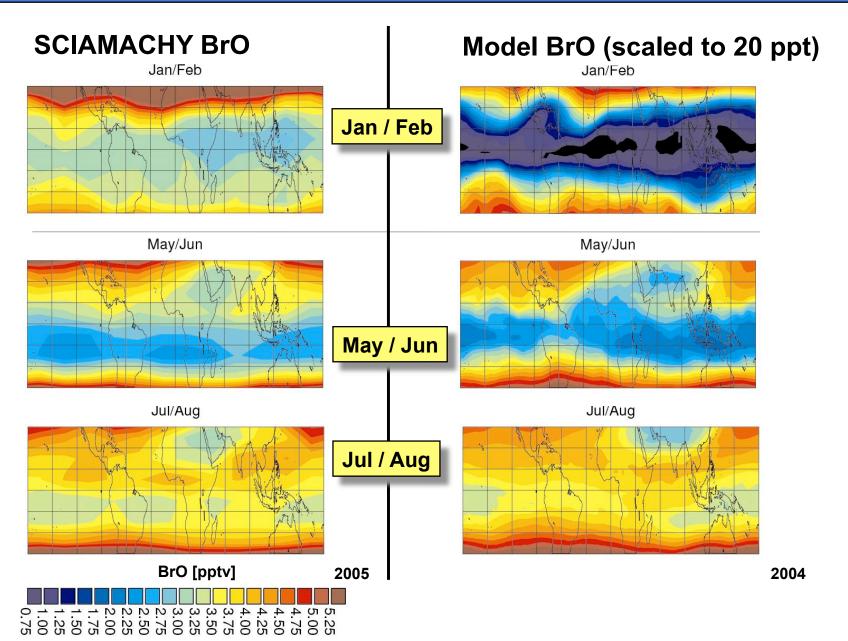


Chemical Transport Model: BrO

Model BrO 18 km [pptv] (Scaled to 20ppt Br)

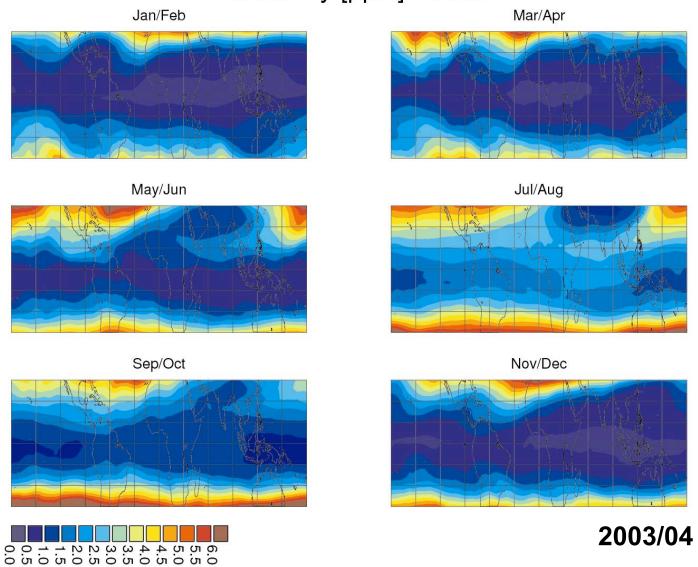


Tropical BrO: Comparison SCIAMACHY / Model



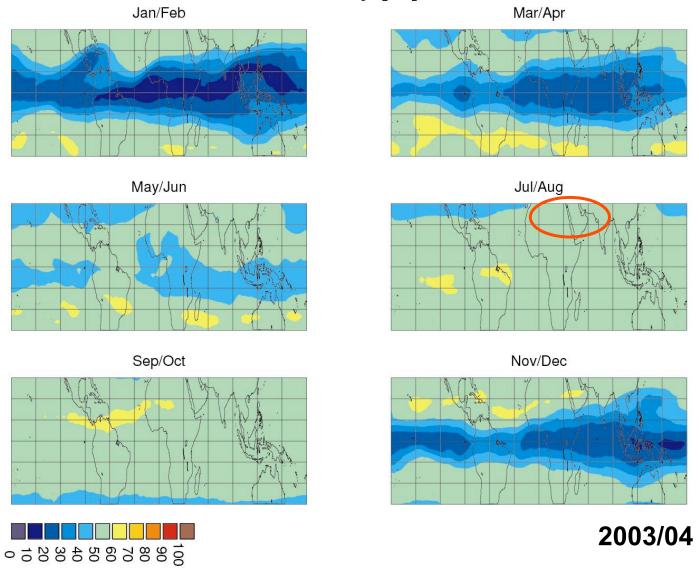
Chemical Transport Model: Bry

Model Bry [pptv] 18 km



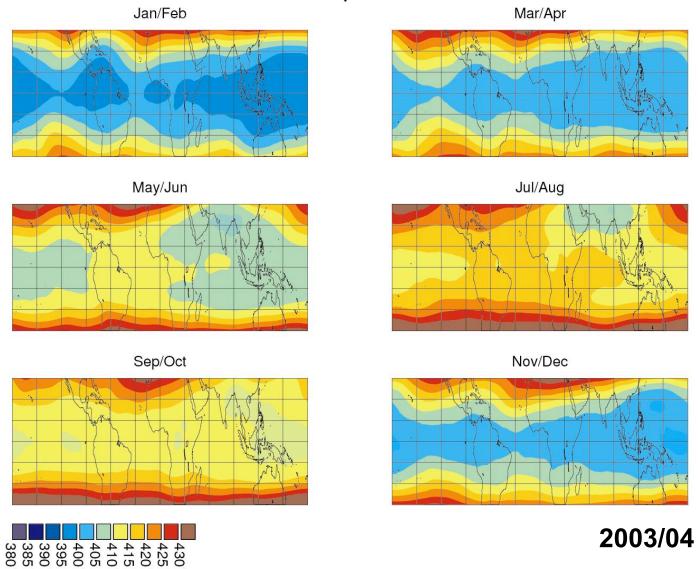
Calculated BrO / Bry - Ratio

Model BrO/Bry [%] 18 km



Potential Temperature

Potential Temperature 18 km



Conclusions

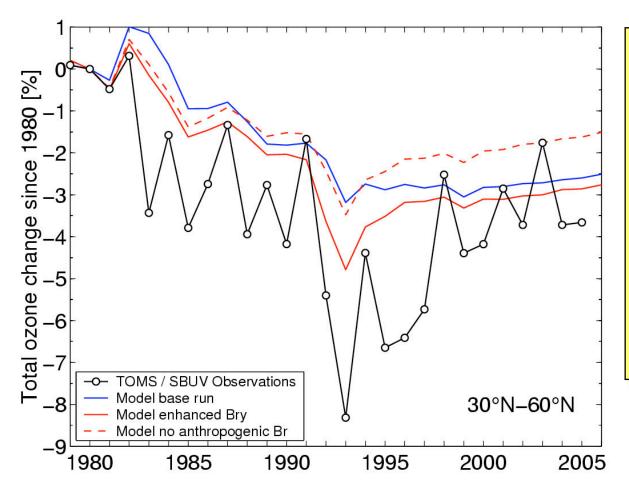
- SCIAMACHY observations in the tropical tropopause region show lowest BrO above "deep convective regions"
- Main features reproduced by CTM:
 - BrO minima associated with young age of air:
 - →low Bry
 - →low BrO/Bry-ratio due to low ozone
 - Model underestimates BrO during NH winter due to low bias in modelled O3
- We "see" the BrO coming out of the source gases

Outlook

- Reprocessing of full record of SCIAMACHY BrO observations (2002-present) currently under way
- Improve the CTM in the TTL region (including convective detrainment)
- Investigate the role of VSLS in a changing climate

Thank you!

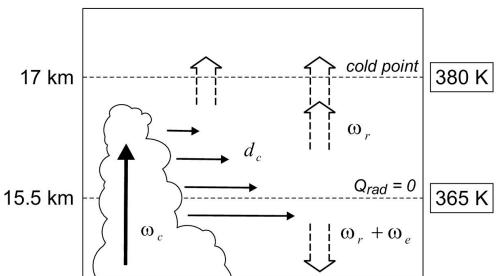
Modelling studies: Impact of short-lived bromine on ozone trends



Additional bromine from very short-lived source gases has significant impact on calculated ozone trends (in particular for periods with enhanced aerosol loading).

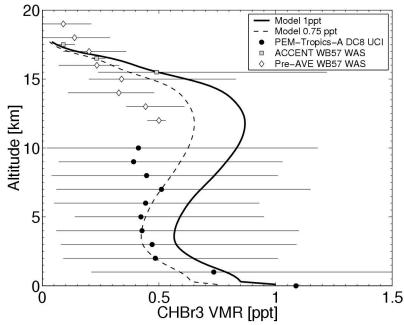
from Sinnhuber et al., ACPD (2006)

Modelling studies: Convective transport into the TTL



How will this respond to climate change (e.g. changes in tropical SST and tropospheric temperature)?

Comparison of modelled and observed tropical mean CHBr₃ profiles



from Sinnhuber and Folkins, ACP (2006)