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**Lecture 3: SCIAMACHY Solar and Limb Retrievals**

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**Solar-terrestrial: „Space weather“**

The diagram illustrates the Sun's internal structure and its interaction with Earth. On the left, the Sun is shown with labels for its internal layers: convection zone, radiative zone, and core. The surface is labeled as the sunspot and bright active region. A coronal mass ejection is shown as a large cloud of solar wind particles and magnetic fields. Photons are shown traveling from the Sun towards Earth. On the right, Earth is shown with its atmosphere, plasmasphere, and magnetosphere. A bow shock is indicated in the solar wind as it approaches Earth.

SUN

convection zone  
radiative zone  
core

surface  
sunspot  
bright active region  
coronal mass ejection

photons

Earth

solar wind  
particles and  
magnetic fields

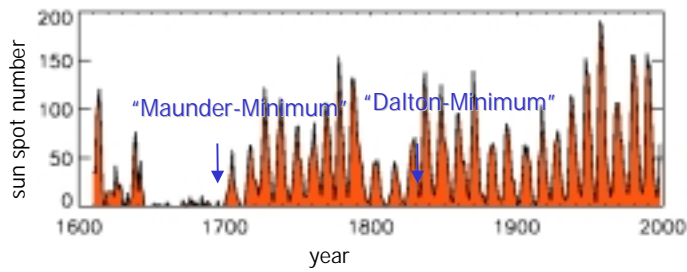
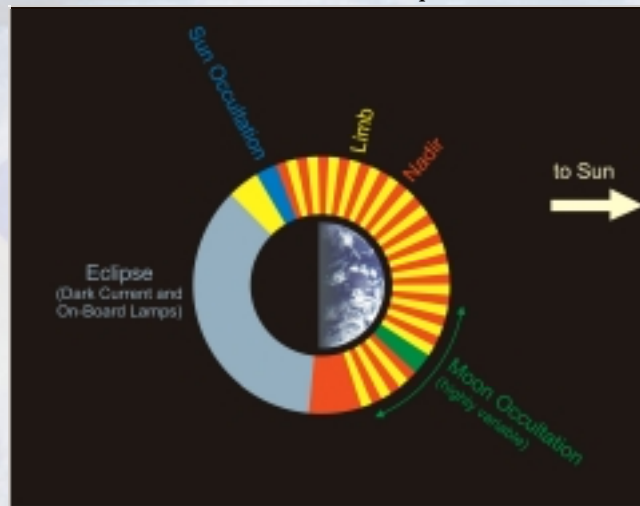
bow shock

surface  
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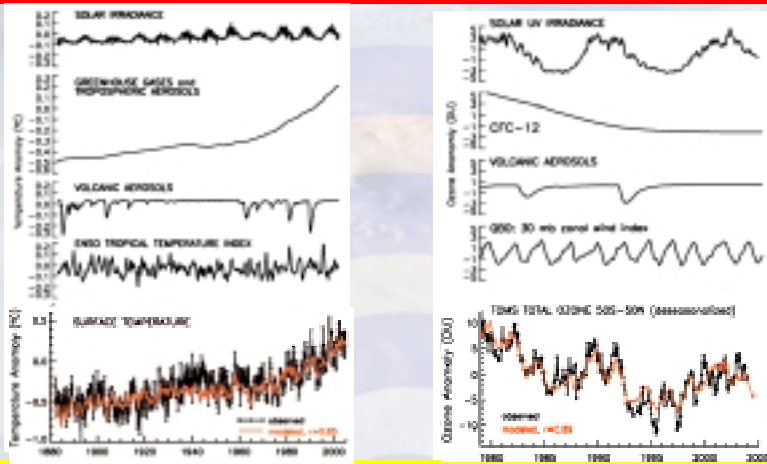
### SCIAMACHY orbit sequence



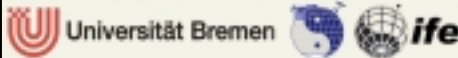
- 17<sup>th</sup> century („Maunder minimum“):
  - „little ice age“
  - famous Dutch winter paintings
- Other cyclic variation overlaying the 11y solar cycle (Schwabe) have periods of 87 years (Gleissberg) and 210 years (De Vries-Suess)

## Solar variability, ozone, and climate

Lean et al., 2005

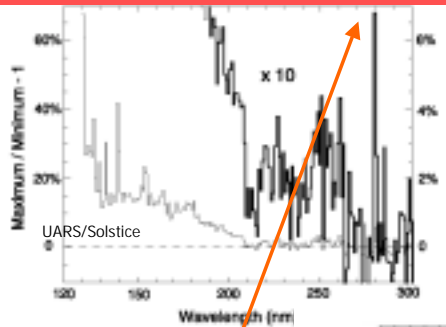


- 11-year solar cycle signature in sea surface temperature (SST) and ozone
- Note: recent increase in SST (+0.8°C) is not explained by the rather quiet sun (+0.1°K) but is related to increases in greenhouse gases (+0.7°K)



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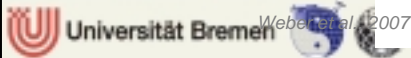
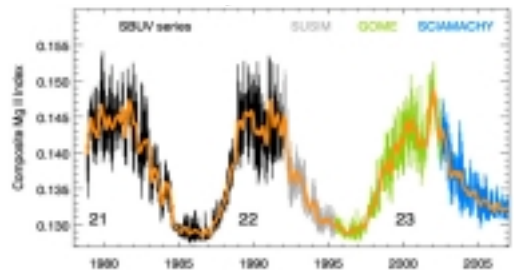
## Change:UV solar irradiance over a solar cycle



- UV satellite irradiance observations cover solar cycles 21, 22, 23
- Largest variations observed in the UV spectral range

Rottmann, 2000

Mg II emission at 280nm

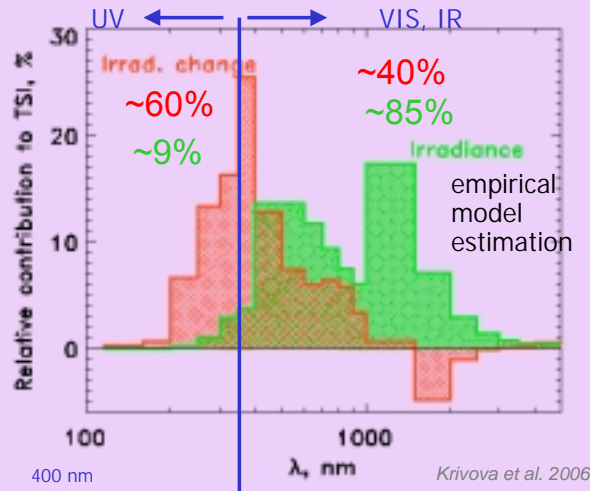


Weber et al., 2007

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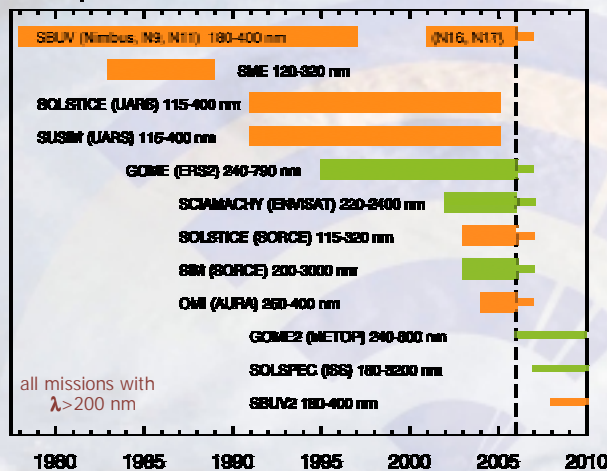
## Spectral contribution to TSI (solar constant)

- UV contributes to about 9% to the total solar irradiance, but 30-60% to solar cycle variability of TSI ( $\approx 0.1\%$ )
- Can we confirm this by satellite observations?



## Past and future UV/Vis irradiance monitoring from space

### optical solar irradiance satellite instruments



- UV irradiance monitoring from space since 1978

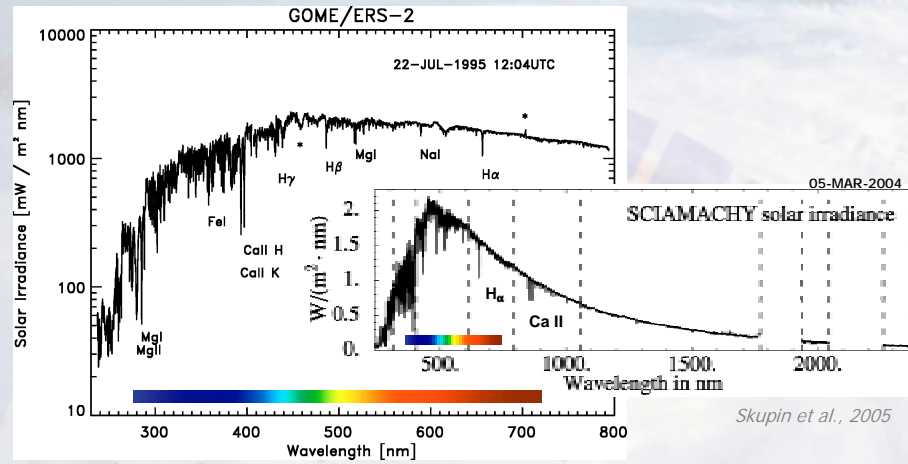
- only few missions cover visible/NIR wavelengths

- GOME
- SCIAMACHY
- SIM

- disadvantage of „atmospheric sounders“ (GOME, SCIAMACHY, SBUV):

- lack of rigorous inflight calibration

## GOME and SCIAMACHY solar spectrum



- Weber et al., 1998,  
Weber 1999

- ↳ Direct full disc solar measurements with diffuser once a day (GOME & SCIAMACHY)
- ↳ Fraunhofer absorption lines (metals, H) are signatures of the solar atmosphere (photosphere and chromosphere)

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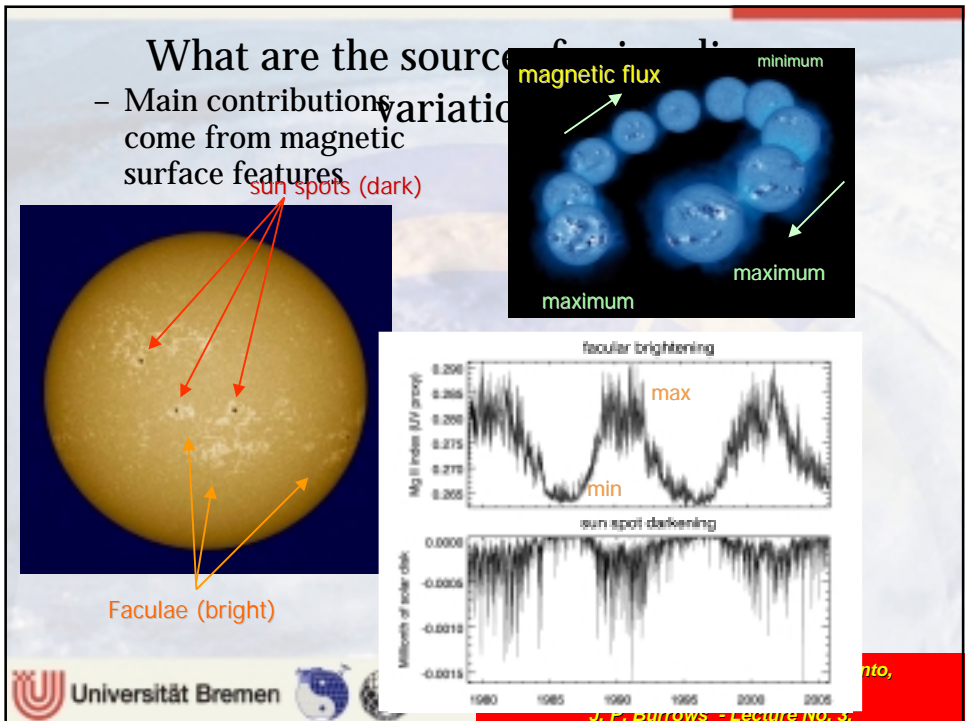
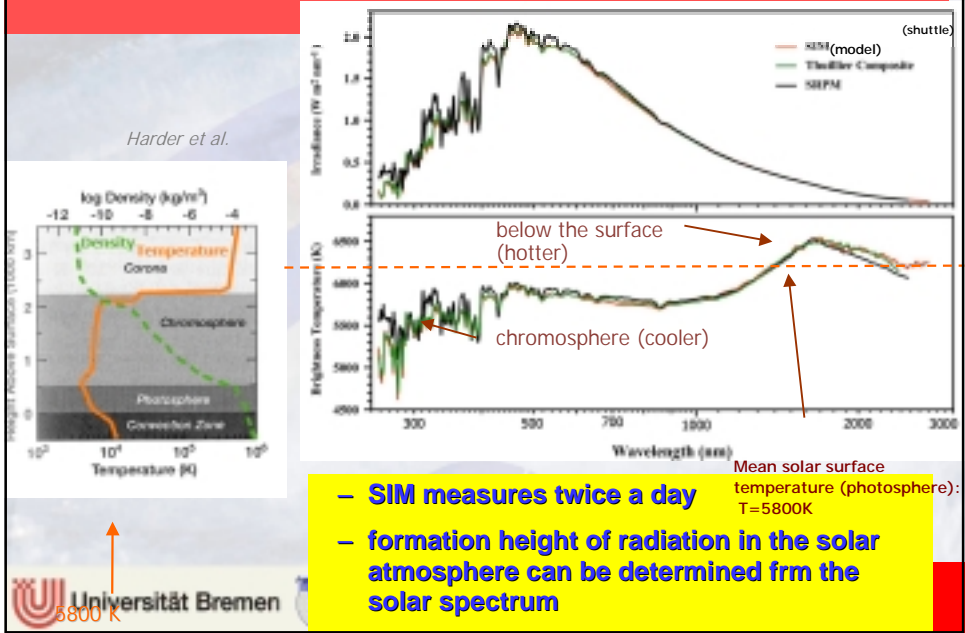
## SIM aboard SOFICE/NASA



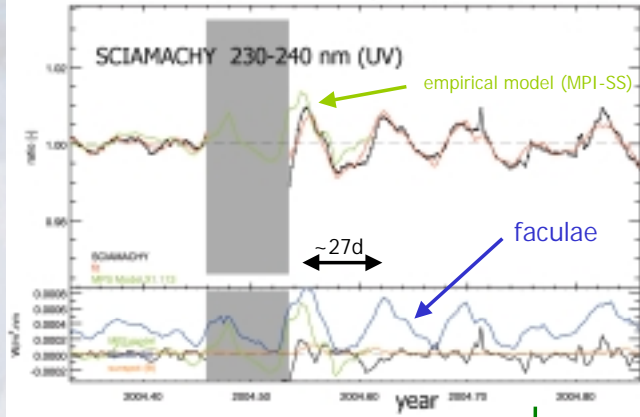
Harder et al., 2005

- Solar Irradiance Monitor
- Launched: 2003
- Orbit: inclination:  $40^\circ$ , altitude 620 km
- Measurements: solar irradiance (twice a day)

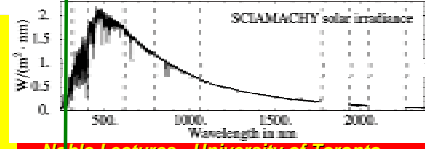
# SIM solar measurements 250-2500 nm



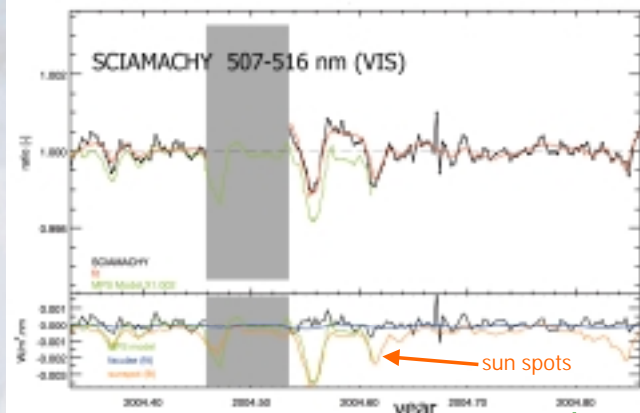
## Irradiance variations in the UV



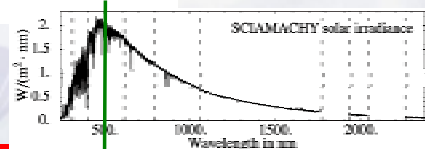
- faculae contribute to UV variations (brighter)
- Short-term variations show the 27-day solar rotation period (active regions moving in and out from earth's view)



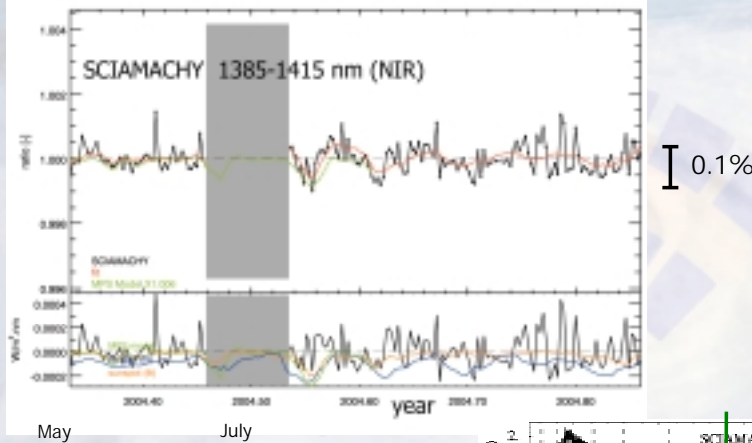
## Irradiance variations in the visible



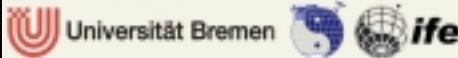
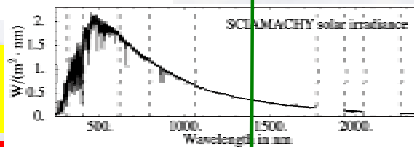
- sun spots (darker) contribute to variations in the visible
- variations in visible are smaller by a factor of 10



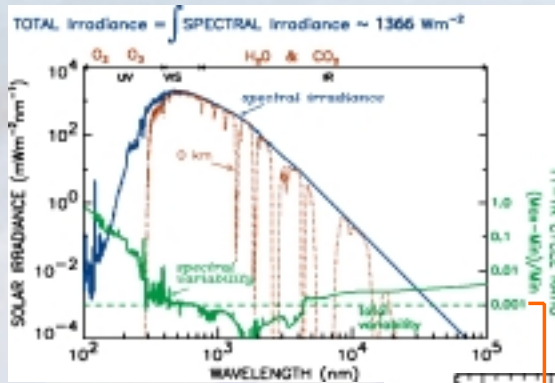
## Irradiance variations in the near IR



- Very small variation on the order of 0.1% in the near IR



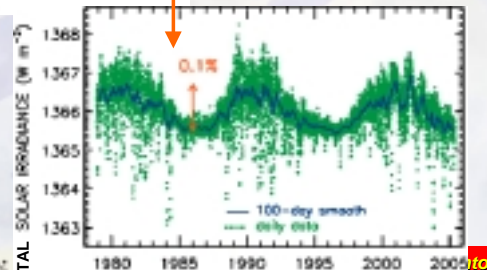
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Lean et al.

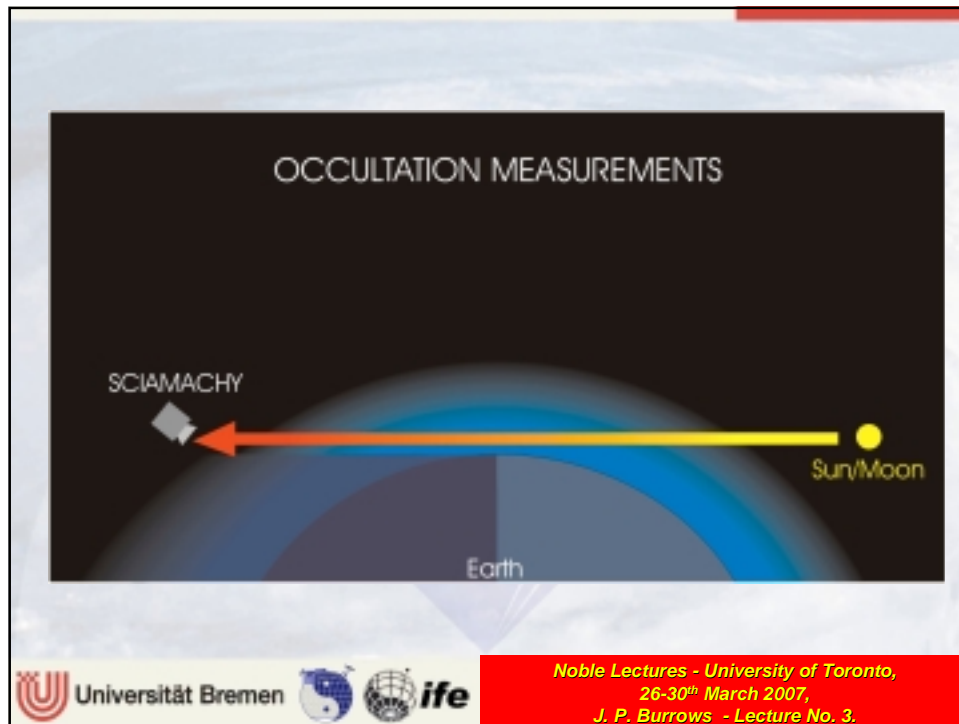
TSI = „solar constant“

- The entire optical spectral range are measured daily since 2004 from space
- Variations due to solar activity on the order of 0.1% are detectable!



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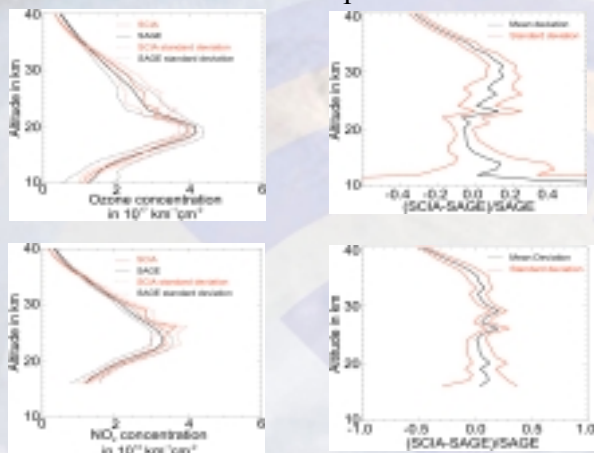
### Occultation Retrieval Precisions

	UT 5 - 12 km	LS 12 - 24 km	MS 24 - 36 km	US 36 - 45 km
O <sub>3</sub>	1	1	1	1
NO <sub>2</sub>	5 - 10	10 - 5	5 - 10	10 - 50
BrO	Tbd	20	10	-
OCIO	-	20	10	-
CIO	-	Tbd	-	-
H <sub>2</sub> O	1	1	1-2	5
CH <sub>4</sub>	1	1	1 - 5	5 - 20
CO <sub>2</sub>	1	1	1 - 3	3 - 10
CO	1	1 - 10	10 - 20	—
N <sub>2</sub> O	1	1 - 10	10 - 20	—

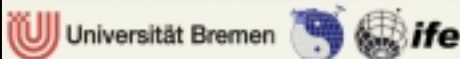
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# SOLAR OCCULTATION

## Comparison with SAGE II (O<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub>)



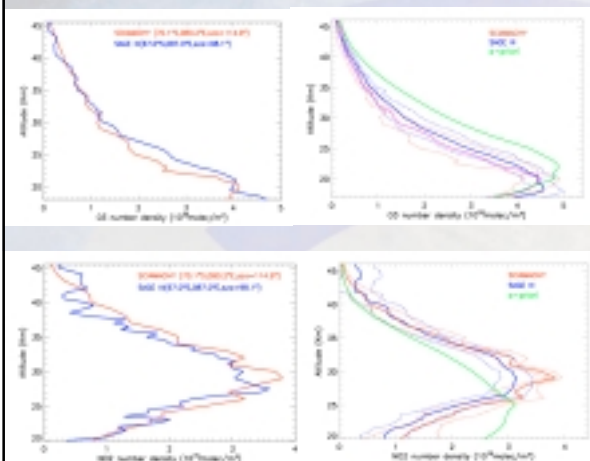
- collocated distance: 40 –500 km
- Date : 17<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> sept. 2002
- 25 collocated measurements
- quite good agreement b/n mean profiles
- Fitting window
  - O<sub>3</sub>: 525-590 nm
  - NO<sub>2</sub> : 420-460 nm
- Mean deviations and statistical variation are in the order of 10%.



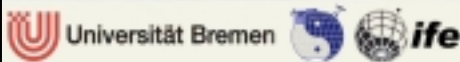
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# LUNAR OCCULTATION

## Comparison with SAGE III (O<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>)

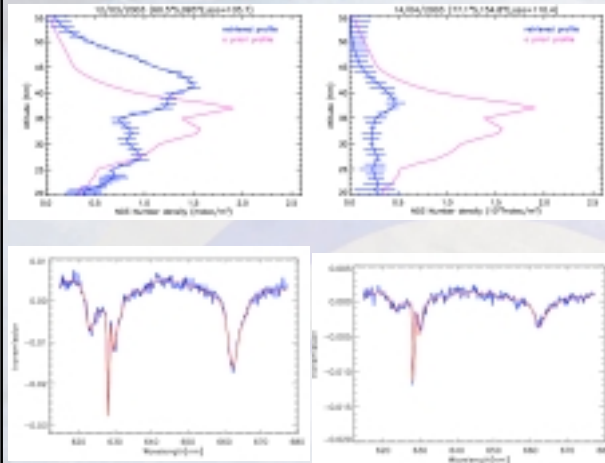


- Date: 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2003
- Collocated distance: 500 -1000 km
- 9 collocated measurements
- Spectral window: 420-580 nm
- O<sub>3</sub> quite good in b/n 27 – 45 km
- SCIA NO<sub>2</sub> results is slightly higher than SAGE III results due to difference in SZA.
- SZA for SCIAMACHY: 114–115°
- SZA for SAGE III: 96 - 100°



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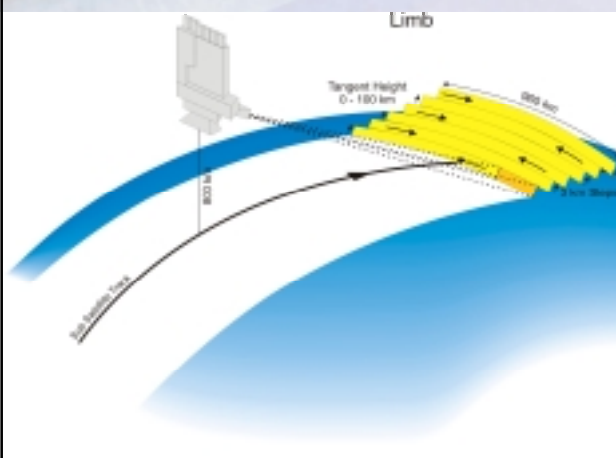
## NO<sub>3</sub> from lunar occultation



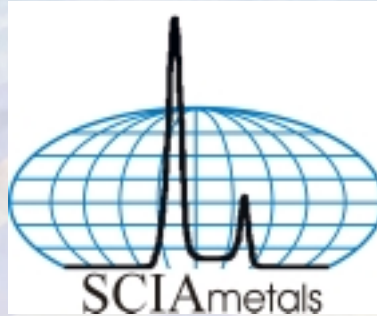
- Spectral window: 610-680 nm
- Altitude range : 22- 55 km
- March 12, 2003 quite high concentration was retrieved compared to April 14, 2003
- Results not validated

- Fit at 39 km is shown
- NO<sub>3</sub>, O<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> are fitted
- Good fits are obtain

## Limb Measurements

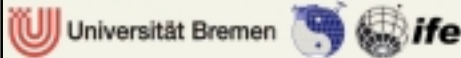


- vertical res.: 3 km
- horizontal resolution in azimuth: 240 km (120 km min.)
- horizontal resolution in flight direction: approx. 400 km
- Observation optimised to match limb with nadir measurements
- Duration of Limb sequence: 60 sec.



## Investigation of mesospheric / thermospheric metal species using SCIAMACHY data

Project team: M. Scharringhausen, J. P. Burrows, J. Notholt, C. v. Savigny, M. Sinnhuber

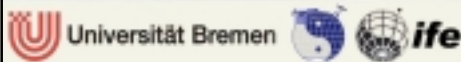


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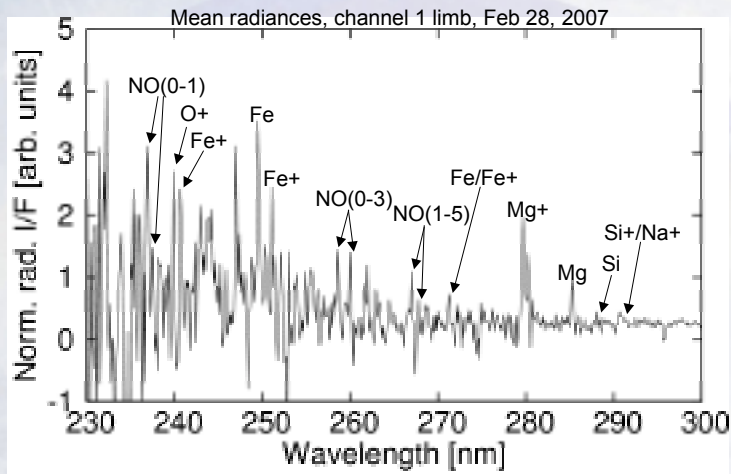


- What do we consider?
    - Na, Fe, Mg, Li, Si, ... and ionized counterparts
  - Where do mesospheric metals come from:
    - Cosmic dust/Meteors (ablation at 80 – 100km)
  - Why is it interesting?
    - Amount of influx is very uncertain (40 - 400 tons/day)
- Metal abundance + composition of cosmic dust = estimate of total influx*
- Impact on stratospheric and mesospheric chemistry?



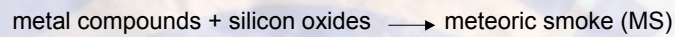
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▶ A large number of emission signals can be identified in the SCIAMACHY spectra

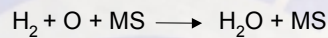


▶ Impact on mesospheric/stratospheric chemistry

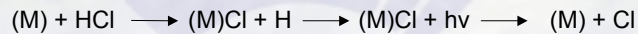
1) Formation of meteoric smoke (polymerization)



2) Catalytic water production (heterogeneous)

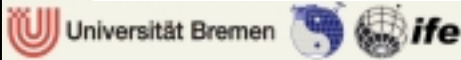
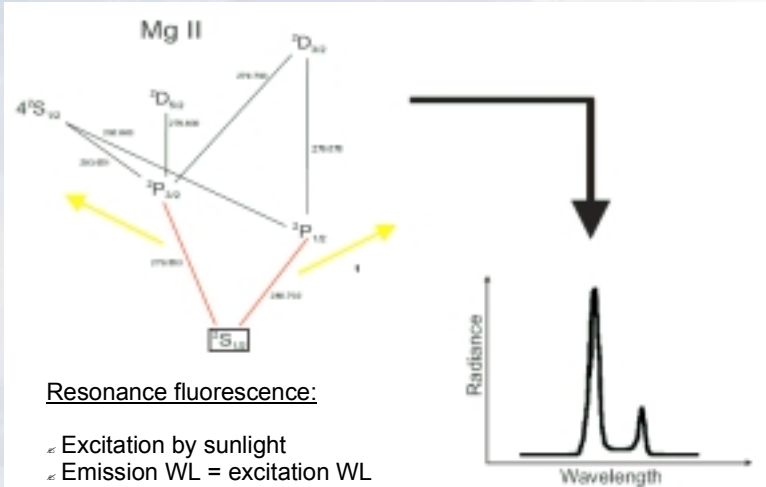


3) Catalytic chlorine production



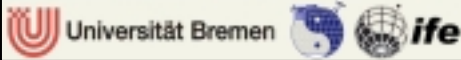
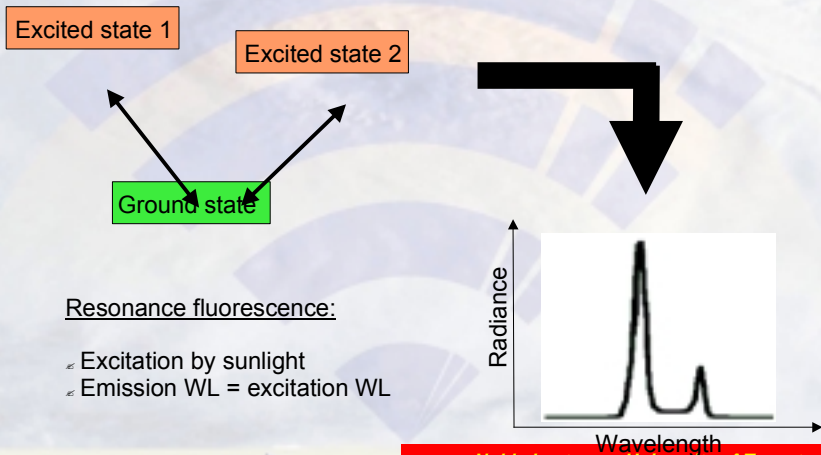
4) Meteoric smoke particles act as condensation nuclei for stratospheric clouds?

Retrieval principle for Mg+/Mg



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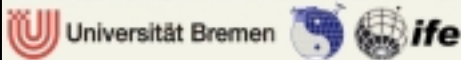
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▶ Radiative transfer equation to solve

$$I(\lambda) = F(\lambda) \cdot \gamma(\lambda) \cdot \int_{LOS} \tau_1(s) N(s) \tau_2(s) ds$$

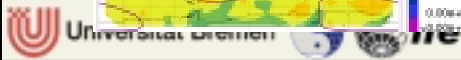
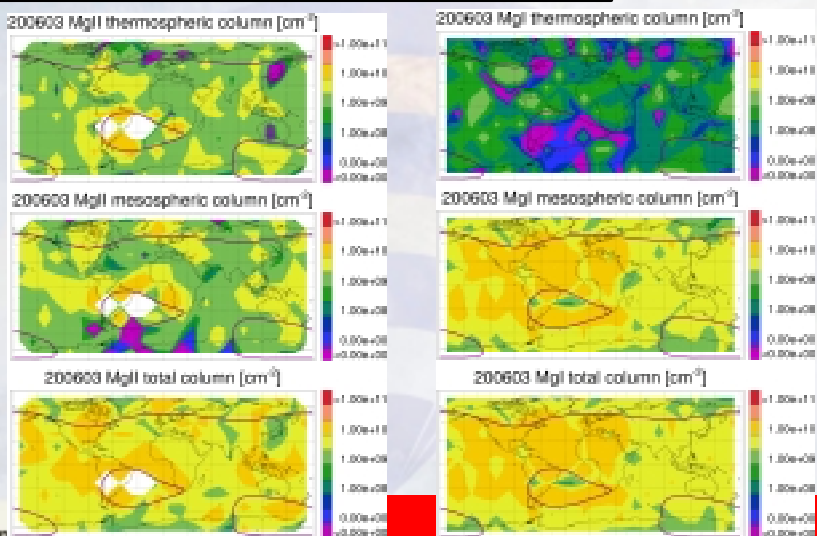
Measured radiance      Solar irradiance      Emissivity      Line-of-sight      Absorption      Number density

Retrieval method: Optimal estimation using a radiative transfer model



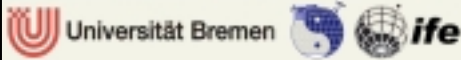
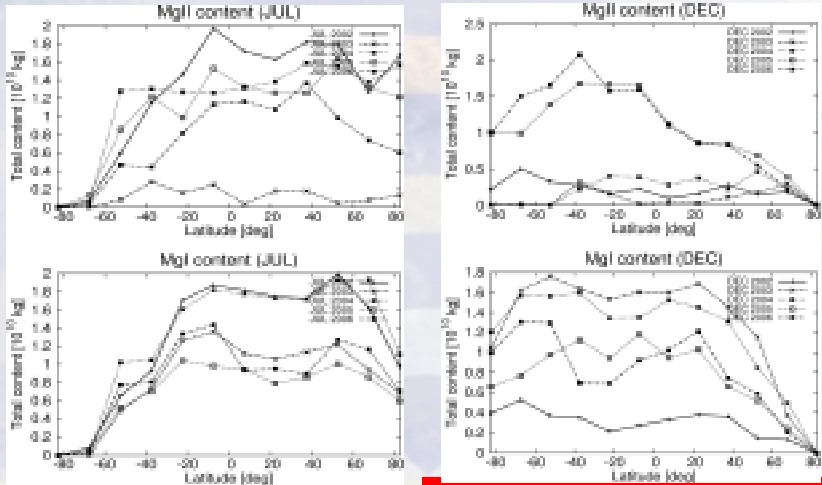
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▶ First global maps of Mg and Mg+ number densities

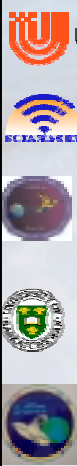
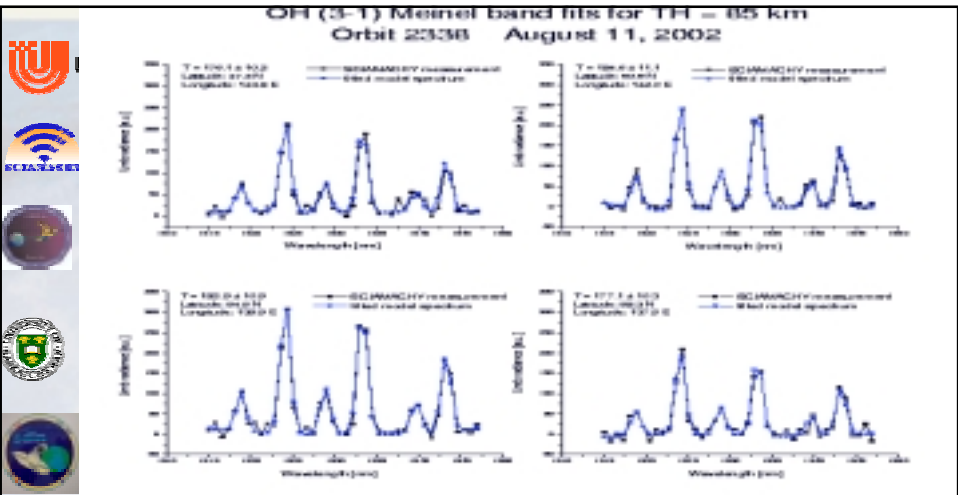


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Seasonal variation of total Mg and Mg+ content

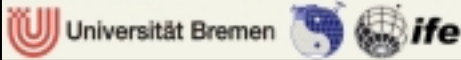


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Accepted excitation mechanism

- $H + O_3 \rightarrow OH^* + O_2$
- Initial  $v' = 7, 8, 9$
- Both radiative and quenching loss, latter may be sudden death or cascade



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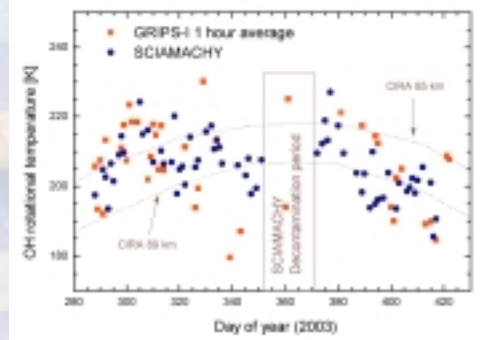


## Validation of nighttime OH mesopause temperatures

- Comparison of SCIAMACHY OH\* (3-1) rotational temperatures with collocated GRIPS-I 1-hour averages of ground-based OH\* (3-1) rotational temperature measurements at Hohenpeißenberg (47° N/ 11° E) for the period October 15, 2003 through February 26, 2004.

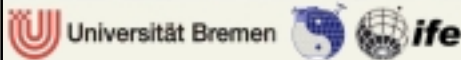
- **Note:** Zenith and limb observations are weighted differently in terms of altitude and the temperatures are expected to differ slightly

- GRIPS data courtesy D. Offermann, M. Bittner, K. Höppner



- Difference GRIPS I (MOHP) - SCIAMACHY: 2.6 K (11.1 K)

- Difference GRIPS II (Wuppertal) - SCIAMACHY: 2.3 K (9.7 K).



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## Solar Proton Events



- SPE caused by coronal mass ejection (CME)
- Deposit  $>60^\circ$  latitude
- Influence of SPE by complicated ion chemistry

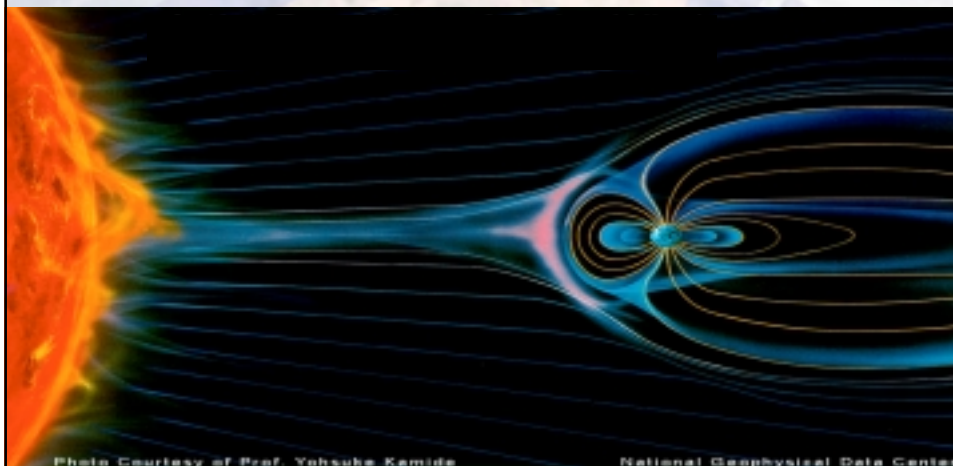


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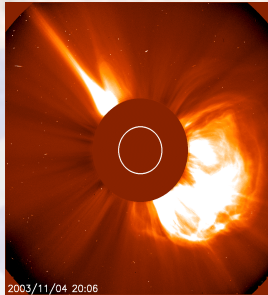
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## Solar Proton Events: Oct-Nov 2003

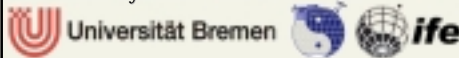
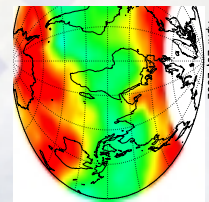


- Two solar active regions during 28-29 Oct and 3rd Nov 2003 produced solar flares, coronal mass ejections (CMEs) and solar energetic particles of unprecedented intensity.

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

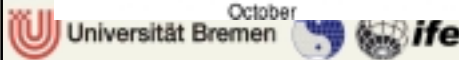
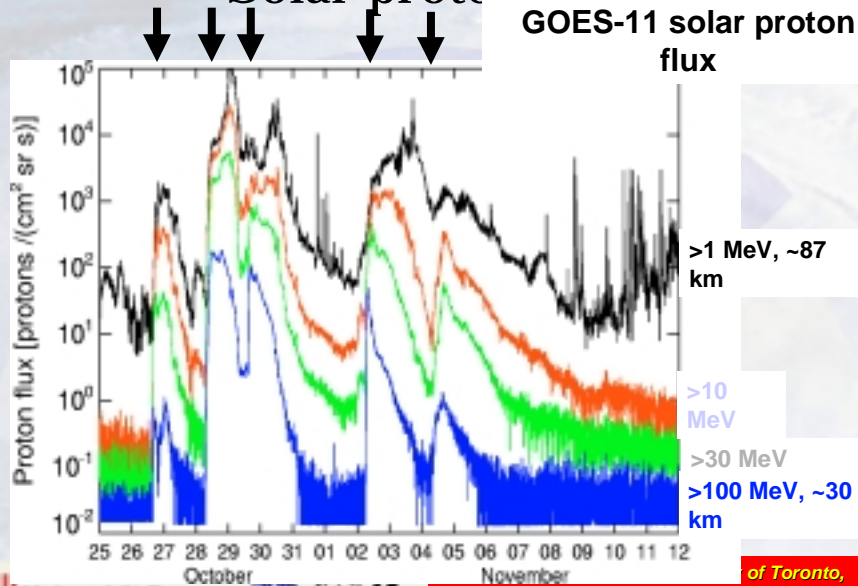


3. Earth was bombarded by very energetic protons (and electrons), driven to both polar regions (g. lat. >60°) where they penetrate down to the lower stratosphere.



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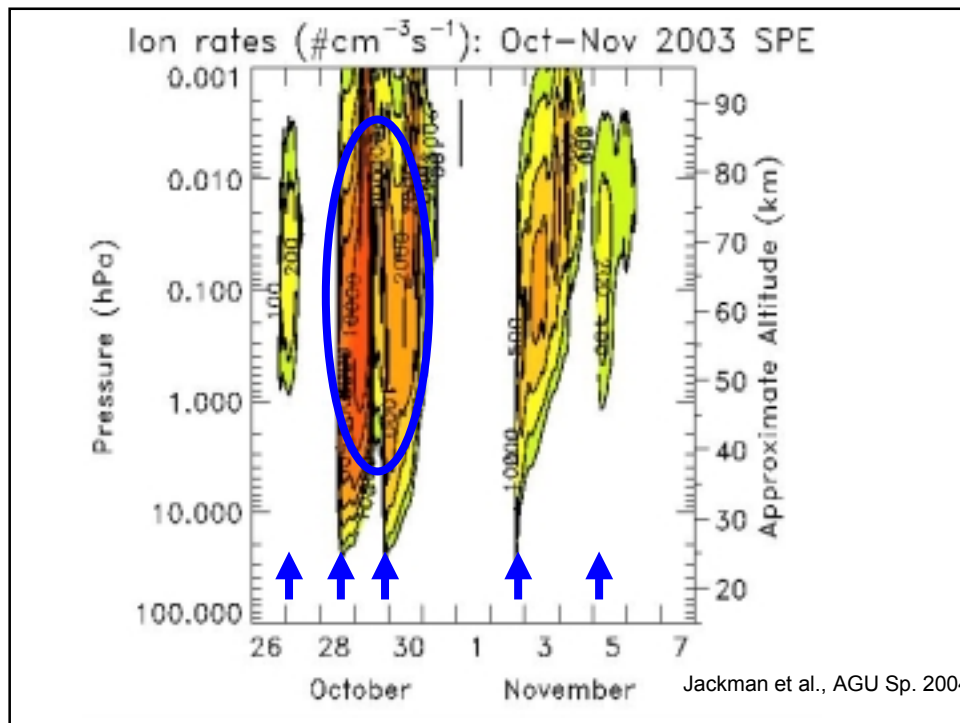
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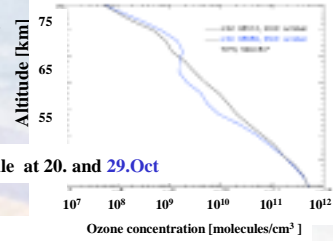
## Effects of solar proton events

- Protons affect the mesosphere (~50-90 km) and the stratosphere (12-50 km)
- Energy deposition mainly in both polar caps (>60° geomagnetic latitude)
- Most of the energy deposited by protons creates ion pairs: free electrons and positive ions, hence affecting the atmospheric chemical composition.

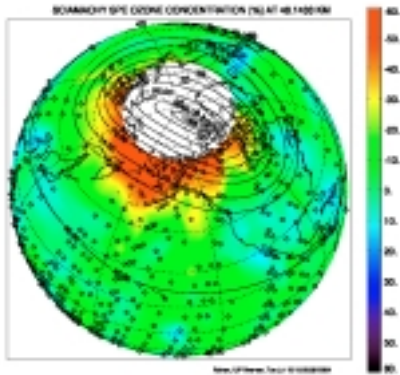


# MESOZONE: OZONE DEPLETION DURING SPE

(G. Rohen, C. v. Savigny)

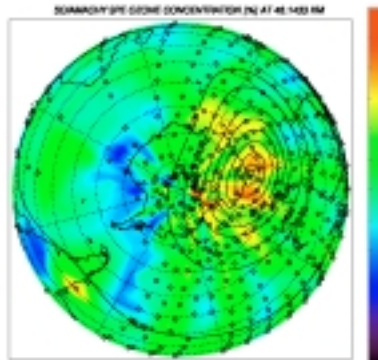


Ozoneprofile at 20. and 29.Oct



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

Reference period: 20.-24.Oct. 2004

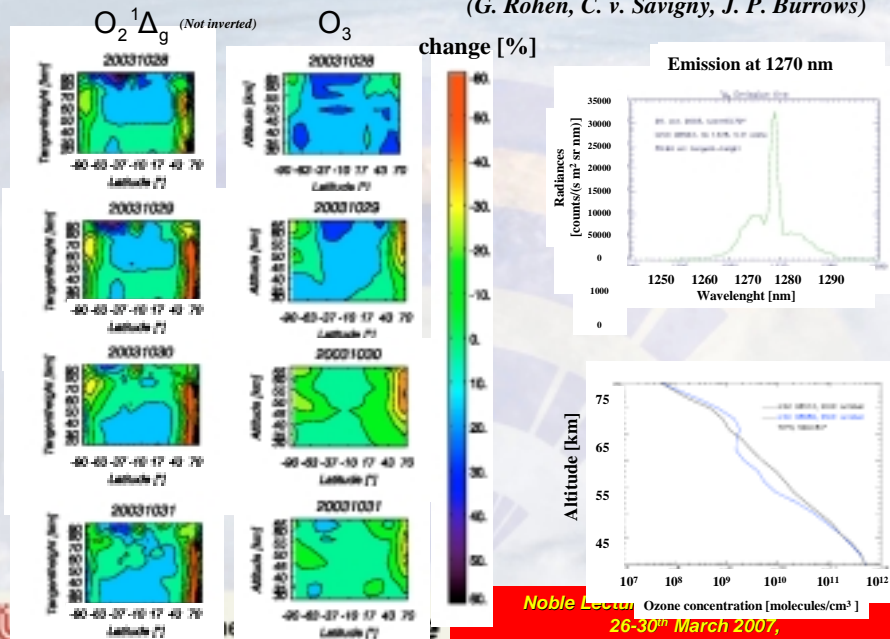


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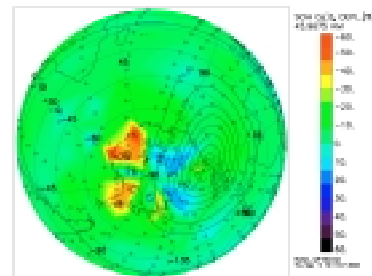
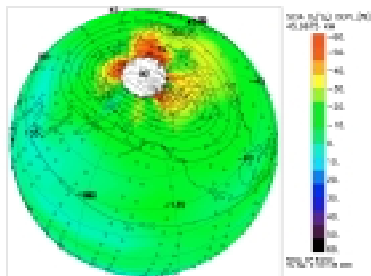
# Simultaneous measurements of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and ozone

(G. Rohen, C. v. Savigny, J. P. Burrows)

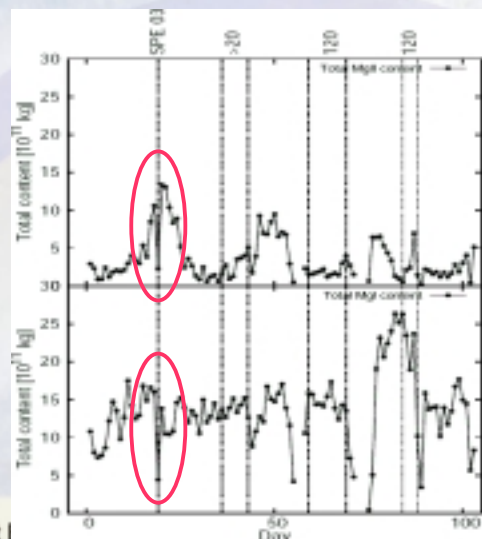


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O<sub>2</sub>(1Δ) from O<sub>3</sub> Photolysis  
 Difference between before and shortly after the Storm



▶ Depletion of Mg+ and Mg during the 2003 SPE?



Mg+

Mg

## Noctilucent clouds



Courtesy of P. Parviainen



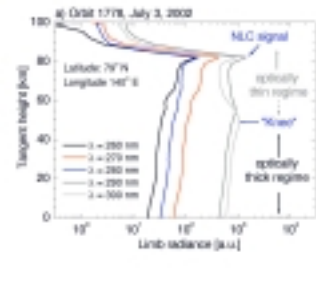

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## NLC signatures in SCIAMACHY limb radiance profiles

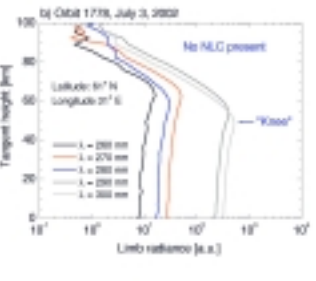
- Noctilucent clouds (NLCs) or polar mesospheric clouds (PMCs) occur at about 83 km altitude near the polar summer mesopause
- NLCs are potentially early indicators of global change, as their formation and existence depends very sensitively on temperature and ambient H<sub>2</sub>O abundances
- SCIAMACHY is currently the only instrument allowing global and continuous observations and retrievals of NLC particle sizes

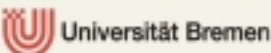

[NLC signatures in SCIAMACHY limb-radiance profiles](#)

a) Orbit 1778, July 3, 2002



b) Orbit 1778, July 3, 2002



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## NLC particle size determination

I. In single scattering approximation the NLC backscatter is given by:

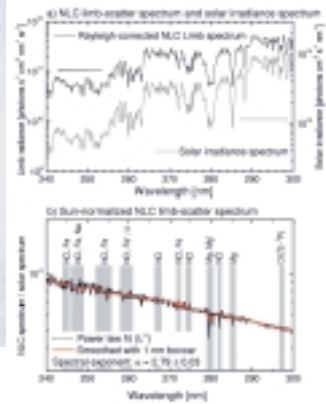
$$I_{\text{NLC}}(\lambda, \Theta) \propto q(\lambda, \Theta) \times S(\lambda)$$

$q(\lambda, \Theta)$ : Differential scattering cross section  
 $S(\lambda)$ : Solar irradiance spectrum

II. The sun-normalized NLC-backscatter spectrum:

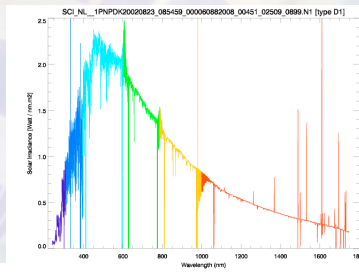
$$i(\lambda, \Theta) = \frac{I_{\text{NLC}}(\lambda, \Theta)}{S(\lambda)} \propto q(\lambda, \Theta) \propto \lambda^{-\alpha}$$

The spectral exponent  $\alpha$  is related to the NLC particle size by Mie-calculations



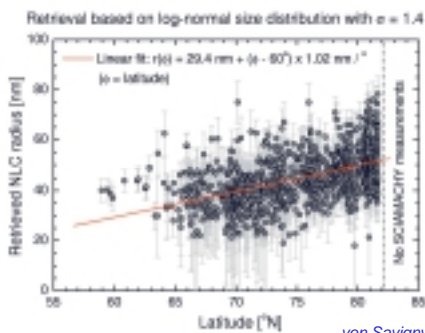
von Savigny et al. [2007]

### SCIAMACHY solar irradiance measurements

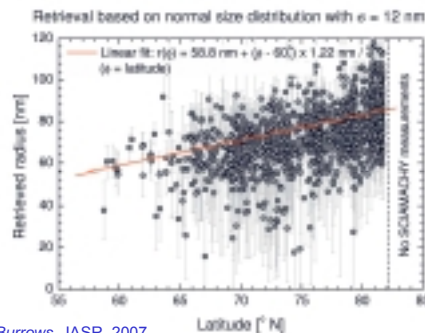


Skupin et al. [2005]

## Latitudinal dependence of NLC radii for July 2005



von Savigny and Burrows, JASR, 2007



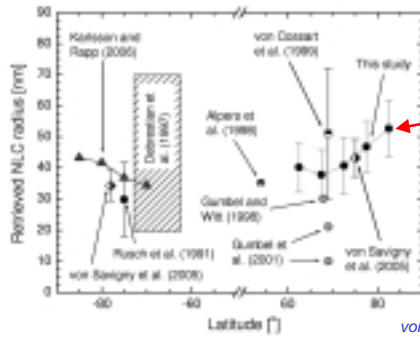
Shown are only measurements with:

- Relative brightnesses exceeding 5
- Relative radius errors < 100 %

## Comparison of existing NLC size retrievals

Reference	Technique	Radii / width	Size distribution
<a href="#">Carbary et al. [1996]</a>	limb-scatter	= 70 nm, $\sigma = 1.2$	Log-normal
<a href="#">Debrebian et al. [1997]</a>	solar occultation	< 70 nm, $\sigma = 1.4$	Log-normal
<a href="#">Gumbel and Witt [1998]</a>	rocket photometry	50 nm	$\delta$ -function
<a href="#">Rusch et al. [1991]</a>	limb-scatter		Log-normal
<a href="#">von Cossart et al. [1999]</a>	ground-based Lidar	50 nm, $\sigma = 1.4$	Log-normal
<a href="#">Carbary et al. [2004]</a>	limb-scatter	50 nm / 220 nm	Bi-modal
<a href="#">von Savigny et al. [2005]</a>	limb-scatter	30–50 nm, $\sigma = 1.4$	Log-normal
<a href="#">Karlsson and Rapp [2006]</a>	limb-scatter	50–90 nm	(eff. Radius)
<a href="#">Rusch et al. [2006]</a>	limb-scatter	15–20 nm, $\sigma = 15$ nm	Normal
<a href="#">Englert et al. [2006]</a>	nadir-backscatter	80–220nm	Normal
<a href="#">Baumgarten et al. [2006]</a>	ground-based Lidar	40–70 nm, $\sigma = 15$ nm	Normal
<b>Model simulations:</b>			
<a href="#">Berger and von Zahn [2002]</a>		$r_0 = 40 - 50$ nm	Normal
<a href="#">Rapp and Thomas [2006]</a>		$r_0 = 40$ nm	Normal

After conversion of radii to log-normal PSD with  $\sigma = 1.4$

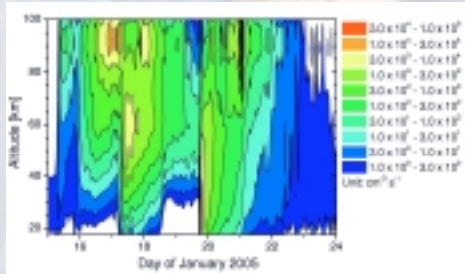


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## NLCs during solar proton event in January 2005

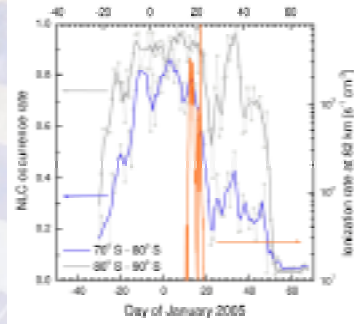
- In January 2005 a solar coronal mass ejection (CME) lead to precipitation of high energy solar protons into the polar atmosphere
- SCIAMACHY observed an unprecedented “depletion” of NLCs during the SPE

Ionisation rate profiles



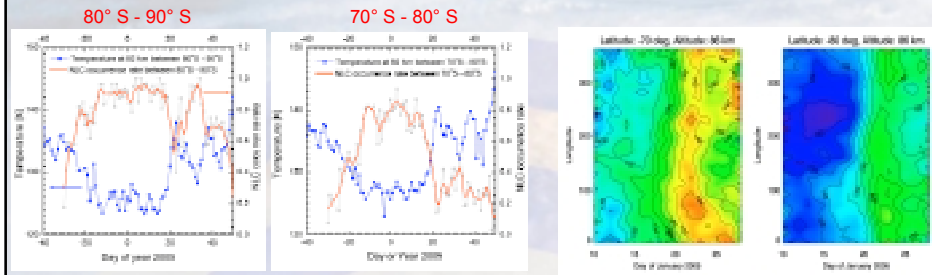
Ionisation rates kindly provided by M.-B. Kallenrode (University of Osnabrück)

NLC occurrence rates





## Anticorrelation of NLC occurrence rate and temperature



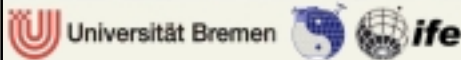
Temperature increase of 10 – 14 K within 5 days for both latitude bands

Longitudinal and temporal variation of the temperature at 70S / 80S latitude and 86 km altitude.

Aura/MLS temperature measurements provided by M. Schwartz (JPL)

von Savigny et al., GRL, 2007

→ Temperature increase occurred first near the geomagnetic pole, indicating causal relationship with energetic particles



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## Possible causes for NLC reduction

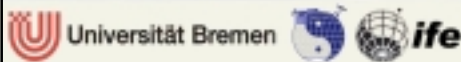
- [Ion-Chemistry](#) mechanism:  
Chemistry following ionization by high-energy particles converts  $H_2O$  to  $HO_x$   
→ **Removal of  $H_2O$  required to maintain solid phase**
- [Joule heating](#) following ionization
- [Adiabatic cooling](#) due to increased upward motion due to  $O_3$  destruction

There are several indications that the NLC depletion was caused by the precipitating energetic particles, but the effect is not fully understood !

→ **Detailed model simulations required to understand this effect**

[Potential implication:](#)

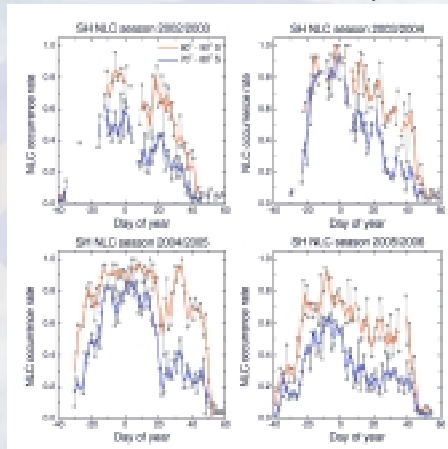
Since SPEs occur more frequently during solar maximum, this mechanism may contribute to the observed solar cycle variation in NLCs



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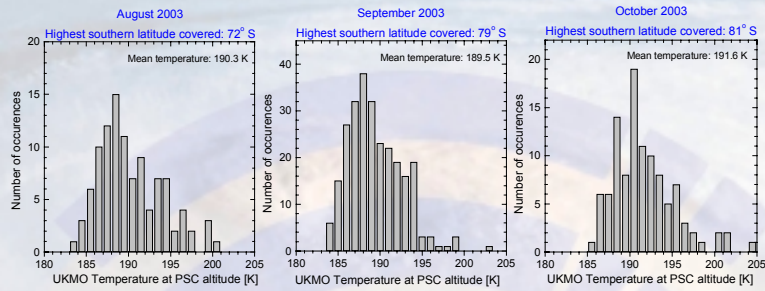
## Interannual difference in NLC in SH occurrence rates

- A decrease in NLC occurrence rate as rapid as in January 2005 has never been observed before, neither with SCIAMACHY, nor with any other instrument

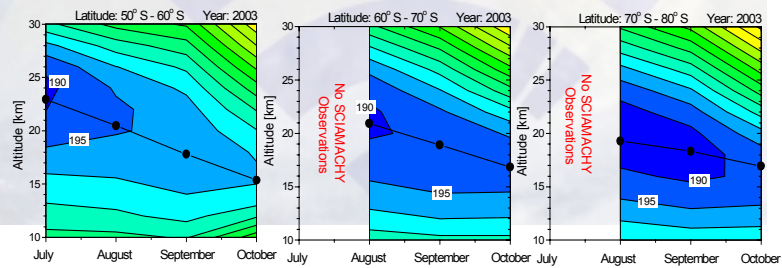


## Polar stratospheric clouds

## Histograms of temperature at PSC altitude

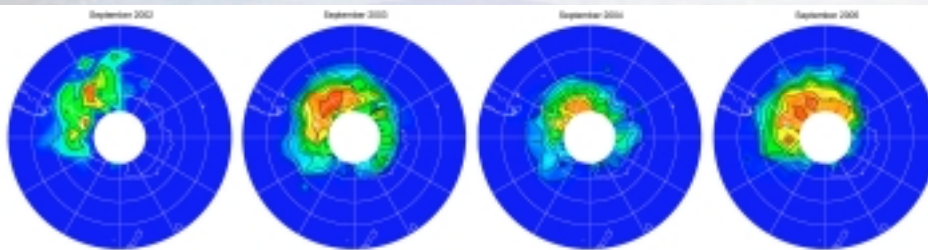


## PSC descent during polar winter



## Polar stratospheric cloud climatology

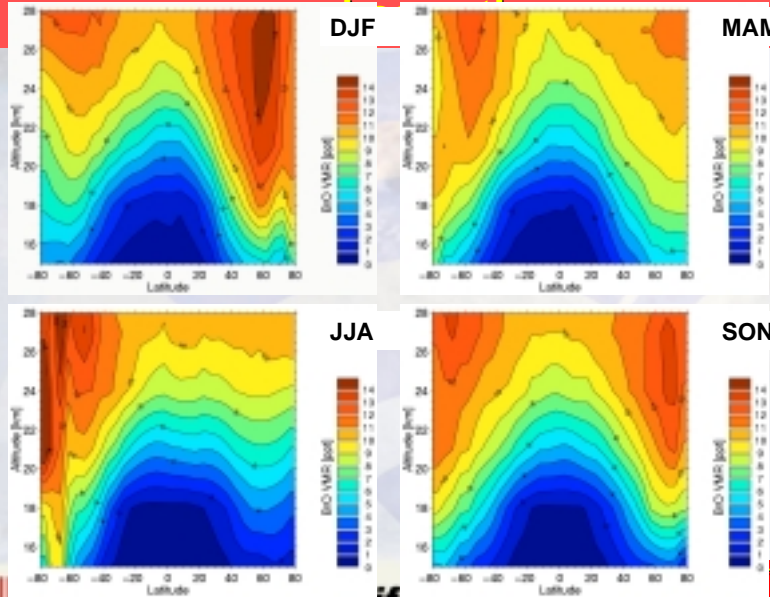
### PSC occurrence rate for the month of September and 2002 – 2005



Reichl et al. [2007]

- A PSC climatology is available for all southern and northern hemisphere PSC seasons between July 2002 and March 2007 (Reichl et al., 2007)
- Distinction of PSC types under investigation

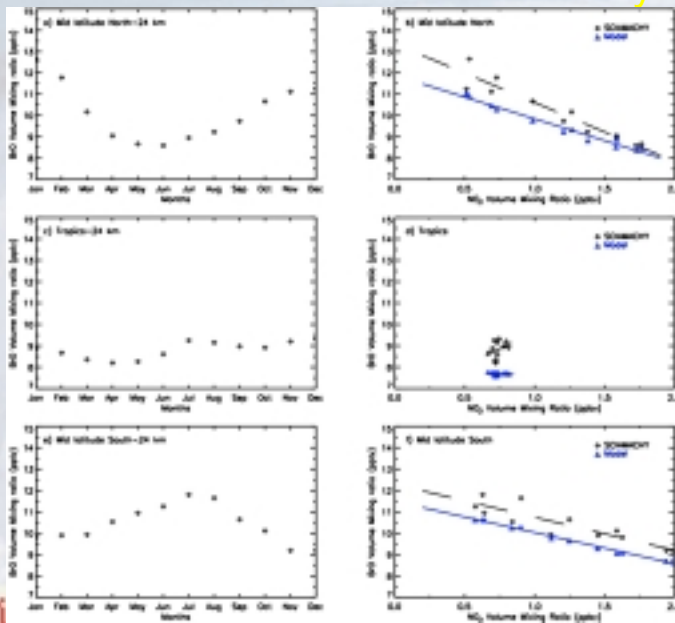
# BrO „climatology“ from SCIAMACHY



from Sheode et al., ACP(D), 2006

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# SCIAMACHY BrO: Annual cycle anti-

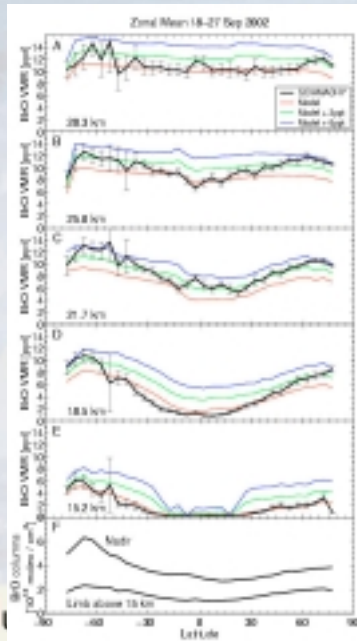


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## SCIAMACHY BrO: Stratospheric

from VSLC

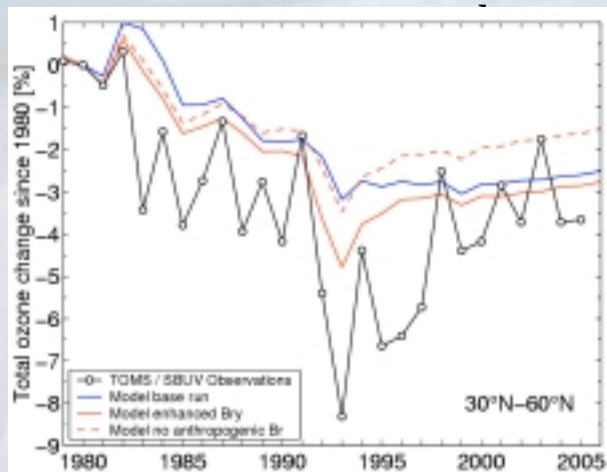


SCIAMACHY BrO observations suggest present contribution of ~3pptv bromine from very short-lived source gases.

from WMO (2007), based on

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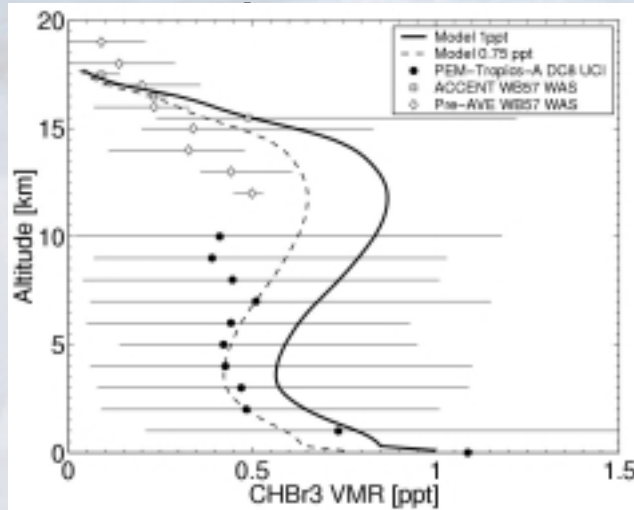
## Impact of short-lived bromine on ozone



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

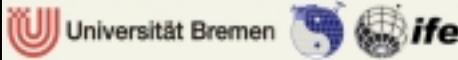
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## Modelling transport of short-lived



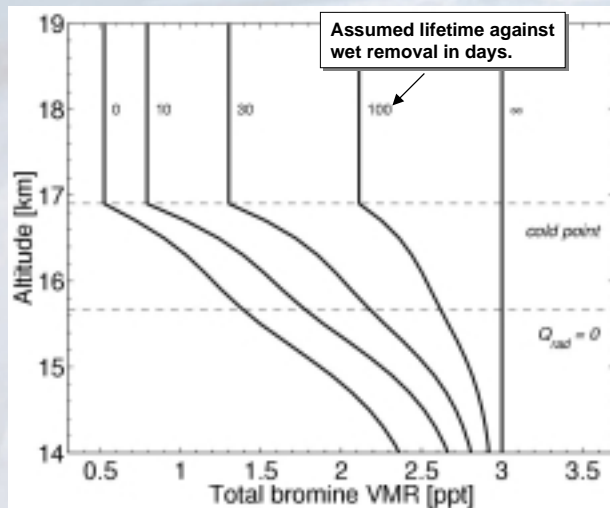
Observations of ~3pptv of extra stratospheric bromine are broadly consistent with estimated contribution from very short-lived source gases.

from Sinnhuber and Folkins, ACP (2006)



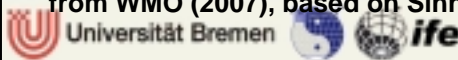
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## Critical factor: Wet removal in the



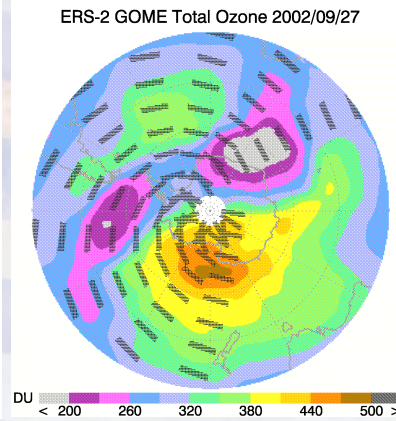
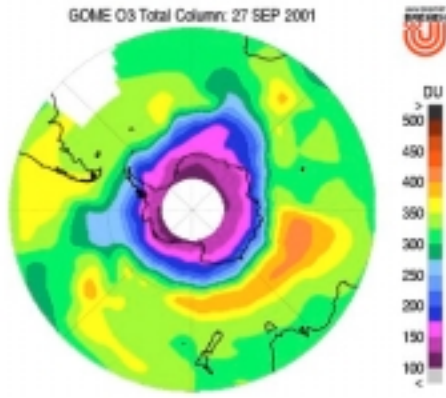
However, the modelled VLS Product Gas Injection into the stratosphere depends critically on the processes of wet removal in the tropopause region – a key uncertainty in current models.

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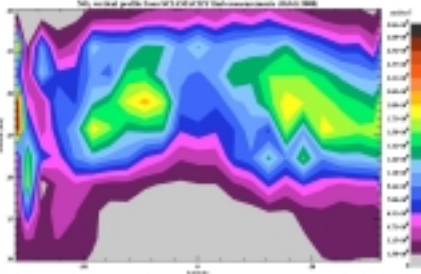


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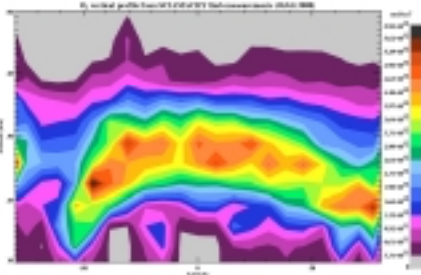
# First Science: The SH O<sub>3</sub> Hole Anomaly 2002



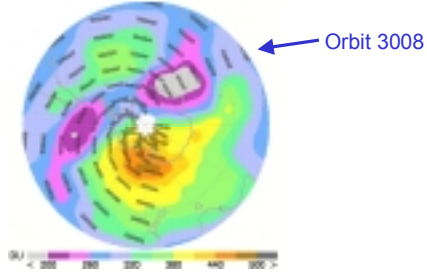
NO<sub>2</sub>, Orbit 3008, 27 SEP 2002



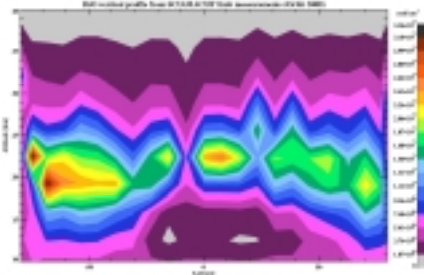
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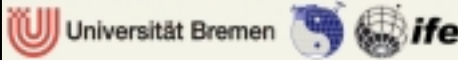
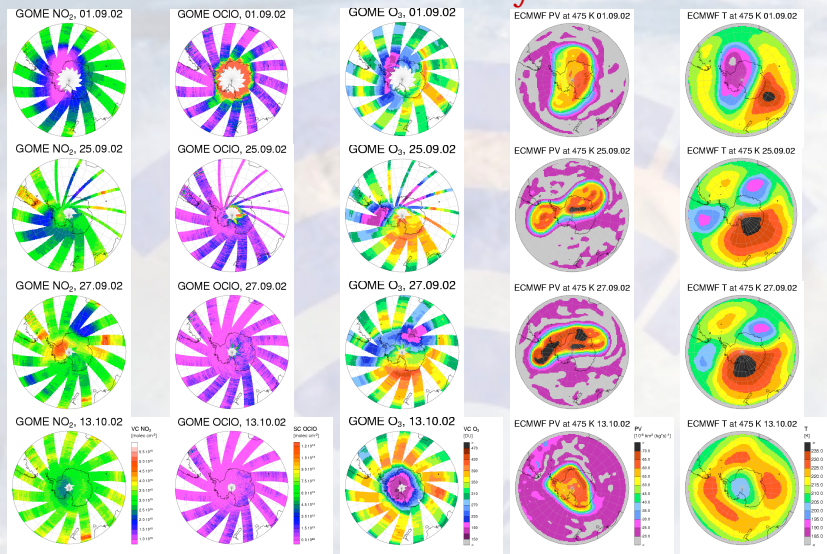
ERS-2 GOME Total Ozone 2002/09/27



BrO, Orbit 3008, 27 SEP 2002



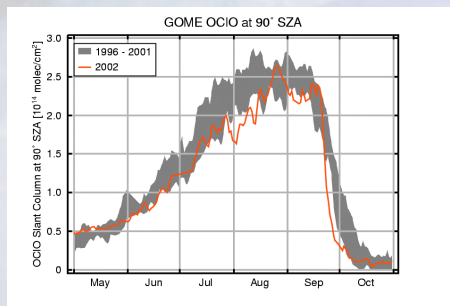
## Overview of Retrieved Data from GOME during SH Anomaly



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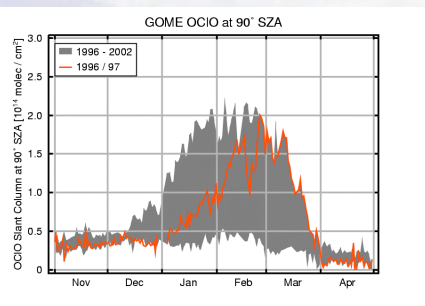
## Chlorine Activation

### Southern Hemisphere

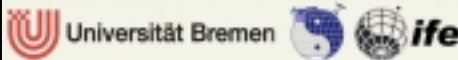


- small variability from year to year
- instability and early and rapid end of activation in 2002

### Northern Hemisphere



- large variability from year to year
- lower activation even in coldest years

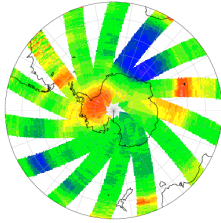


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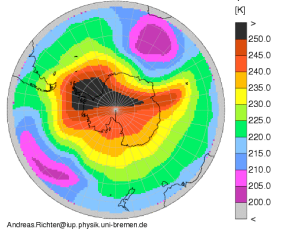


## NO<sub>2</sub> Maximum Above South Pole in 2002

GOME NO<sub>2</sub>, 27.09.02



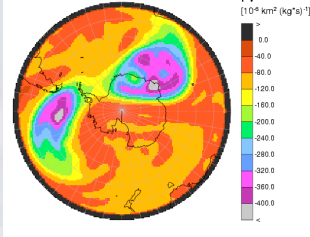
ECMWF T at 675 K 27.09.02



### High NO<sub>2</sub> forms

- in non-vortex air
- close to high temperatures
- at the vortex edge
- at several places

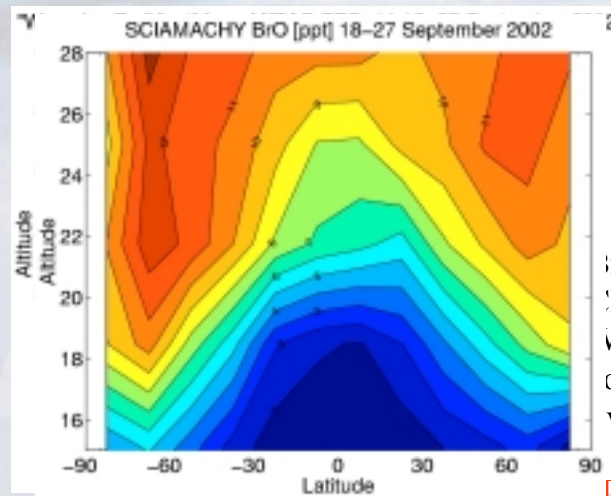
ECMWF PV at 675 K 27.09.02



### Possible Explanations:

- photolysis of reservoirs
- thermal decomposition of N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> or other reservoirs ClONO<sub>2</sub>, HNO<sub>3</sub> etc.??
- descent of NO<sub>x</sub> rich air
- blocking effect at vortex edge

## Bry estimated from MIPAS CFC-11



BrO estimated from CFC-11 according to Vamsley et al (1998), contains only long-lived source gases!

[preliminary analysis]

## Summary and Conclusions

- **All Solar and Limb Modes of SCIAMACHY are functioning well**
- **The scientific retrievals of data products are working well – some exciting results**
- **Much work to be done!!**