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OUTLINE

- The Earth System: a coupled, non-linear system
- The need for an integrated science strategy for Earth Observations, including the Atmosphere
- World initiatives
- Exploitation of observing synergies : examples of scientific studies



The Earth System... cont'd

variability

- natural
- anthropogenic
- different scales
 - in time: years (climate), months-days (chemistry, dynamics), minutes (H_2O , clouds)
 - in space: regional to global, UT/LS region



GLOBAL CHANGE



Towards an integrated science strategy

- integration of science studies, interdisciplinary approach
- integration of observing systems, international approach
 - synergy between ground, airborne and space-based systems - multi-platform missions
 - synergy between remote sensing and in-situ measurements
- synergy with modelling activities, data assimilation
- synergy with laboratory measurements
 - e.g., spectroscopy, physico-chemistry of aerosols, ...
- integration of data archives



Integration of observing systems ... cont'd

Which technique for what?

➤ Space-based (remote sensing)

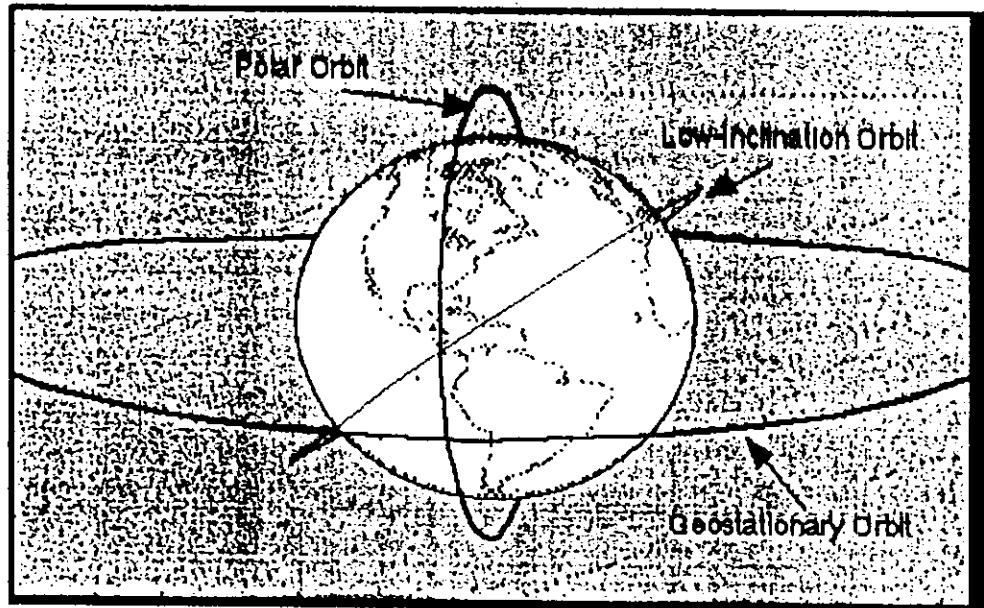
- global scale, long-term
- low time/space (vert/horiz) resolution, integrated quantities
- high cost, large effort
- low flexibility, advance planning
- bad access to low atmosphere (clouds...), particular timing requests (cf. choice of orbit)



Integration of observing systems in space

➤ Space-based

- Multi-instrument, multi-platform missions
- Different orbits needed to get the global perspective

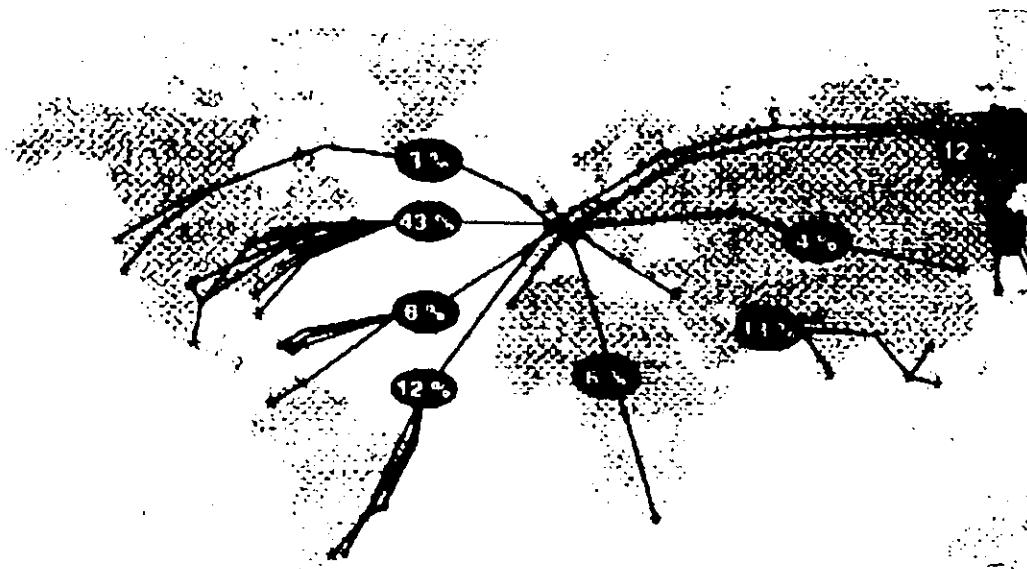


Integration of observing systems... air

MOZAIC (EC, 1994):

Measurement of Ozone and Water Vapour by AIRBUS In-Service Aircraft

focus on UT/LS region



MOZAIC

Database at METEO France

numbers = % of total number of flights (8500), per route

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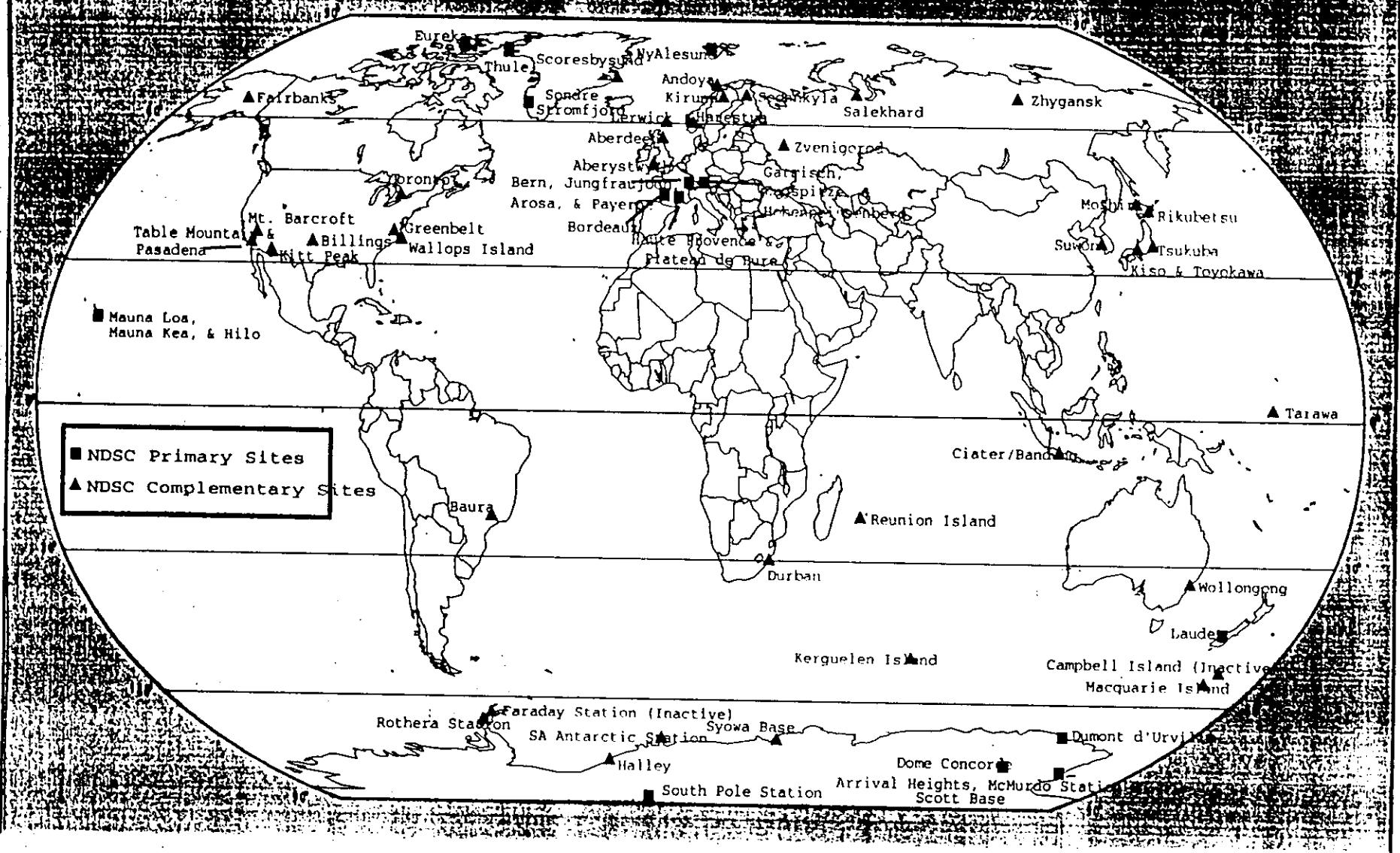


Integration of observing systems ... cont'd

- Airborne (balloon, aircraft, sonde; in-situ, remote sensing)
 - fast turn around ⇒ may address upcoming questions
 - typically for studies of diurnal variations, processes
 - e.g., O₃ vs. ClO in Antarctic, tracer correlations
 - single measurements, few occasions
 - BUT: MOZAIC
- Ground-based (remote sensing, in-situ)
 - typically for long-term continuity (operational stations) at relatively low cost
 - quasi-global coverage in network operation, e.g. NDSC
 - QC/QA efforts !



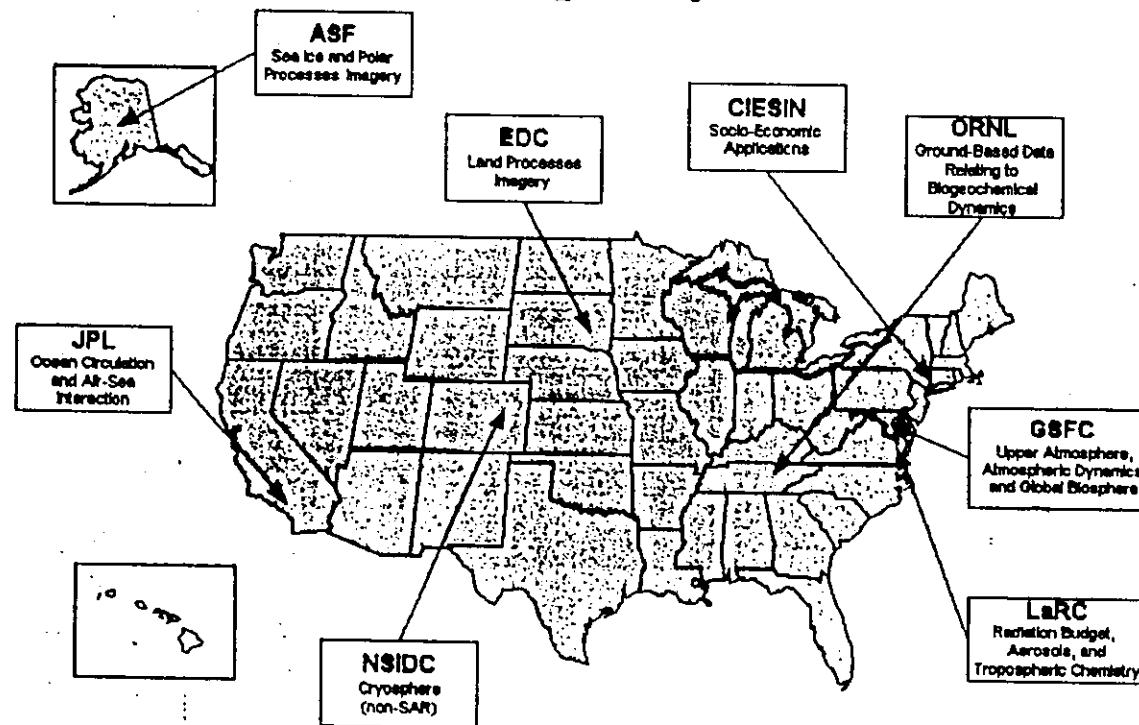
NDSC Sites



Integration of data archives

➤ integration of data archives

- NDSC / GAW /
- EOSDIS: distributed, open system architecture



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World Initiatives

IGOS - Integrated Global Observing Strategy,
builds on

G3OS - Global Observing Systems

➤ GTOS - Global Terrestrial Observing System

➤ GCOS - Global Climate Observing System

➤ GOOS - Global Ocean Observing System
<http://193.135.216.2/web/gcos/gcoshome.htm>

- *initiative started in 1992 (UK) -*

- *focus on the observing system -*

(I)EOS ← NASA ESE (MTPE) ← USGCRP

- focus on (US) earth science from space -

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EOS - ESE ... cont'd

<http://eospso.gsfc.nasa.gov/sci-strategy/Contents.html>

EOS = central element

- Terra (EOS-AM), EOS-PM, EOS-AERO, EOS-ALT, EOS-CHEM...: Multi-instrument platforms, in various orbits, launched at different times.

Satellites (First Launch)	Mission Objectives
EOS-AM Series (1985) Earth Observing System Morning Crossing (Descending)	Clouds, aerosols and radiation balance; characterization of the terrestrial ecosystems; land use, soils, terrestrial energy/moisture, tropospheric chemical composition; contribution of volcanoes to climate; and ocean primary productivity (includes Canadian and Japanese instruments).
EOS-COLOR (1990) EOS Ocean Color Satellite	Ocean primary productivity
EOS-AERO Series (2000) EOS Aerosol Mission	Distribution of aerosols and greenhouse gases in the stratosphere and upper troposphere (spacecraft to be provided through international cooperation)
EOS-PM Series (2001) Earth Observing System Afternoon Crossing (Ascending)	Cloud formation, precipitation, and radiative properties; atmospheric temperature and moisture profiles; air-sea fluxes of energy and moisture; sea-ice extent; and soil moisture and snow over land (includes European instruments)
EOS-ALT Series (2002) EOS Altimetry Mission	Ocean circulation and ice sheet mass balance (includes French instruments)
EOS-CHEM Series (2003) EOS Chemistry Mission	Tropospheric chemical composition and dynamics; chemistry-climate interactions; air-sea exchange of chemicals and energy (to include an as-yet-to-be-determined Japanese instrument)



IEOS-ESE ... cont'd

Additional components from ongoing missions (e.g., UARS), and from collaborations with Europe (ENVISAT, METOP, ...) and Japan (ADEOS, TRMM, ADEOS-II, ...)

	Instrument	Category	Measurement Objective		Instrument	Category	Measurement Objective	
ENVISAT	AMSR	Stratospheric Chemistry Tropospheric Chemistry Clouds and Radiance Atmospheric Budget Other	Vertical profiles of Ozone, Total Ozone, Clouds, and Tropospheric Chemistry. Global measurements of the total column of Ozone and other trace gases. Global measurements of the total column of Ozone and other trace gases. Global measurements of the total column of Ozone and other trace gases.		ADEOS	HALO	Stratospheric Chemistry Tropospheric Chemistry Clouds and Radiance Atmospheric Budget	
	AMSR	VISIR Images	Sea-surface temperature and land surface measurements for ocean dynamics and related climate function. Corrected measurements of the total column budget. Total concentrations and vertical distributions of stratospheric trace gas species, long-lives, and aerosols in the troposphere and stratosphere.			ILAS	Stratospheric Chemistry	
	WHR SCARAB SOLMACHY	Passive Atmospheric Scanning Radiation Budget Stratospheric and Tropospheric Chemistry	Passive Atmospheric Scanning Radiation Budget Stratospheric and Tropospheric Chemistry			IMO NSCAT POLDER	Tropospheric Chemistry Active Microwave VISIR Images And Radiative Budget	
METOP	ADM-AATM	Stratospheric and Tropospheric Chemistry Clouds and Radiance Atmospheric Budget Other	Global ADM-AATM (HITRAN) and ADM-TOVS (Microwave sounder) datasets for stratospheric and tropospheric chemistry, clouds, and atmospheric budgets.		TRMM	RIS	Atmospheric Chemistry Stratospheric Chemistry	
	ASCAT	Active Microwave	Ocean surface wind speed and direction, and ocean dielectric and dynamics.			TOMS	Atmospheric Chemistry Stratospheric Chemistry	
	AVHRR	VISIR Images	Sea-surface temperature and land surface measurements for ocean dynamics and related climate function.			CERES	Radiation Budget	
	CMAP	Stratospheric Chemistry	Global atmospheric thermal profiles, dust and aerosols, carbon dioxide, methane, and other greenhouse gases.		TRMM	LIS	Distribution and variability of lightning over the Earth	
	MCP	Data Relay	Direct data handling and transmission of operational information.			PR	Three-dimensional profile of rainfall in the tropics	
	MMR	Passive Microwave	Precipitation rates, cloud cover, water vapor, sea surface roughness, and surface temperature, ice, snow, and soil moisture.			TMI	Precipitation measurements	
	SAR	Data Relay	Receive beamed signals, and transmits in real-time ground stations around the world.			VIRS	Vertical profile of rainfall content with altitude	
	SCAFIRE	Radiation Budget Other	Global measurements of the total column budget. Medium particles and aerosols to monitor solar events.		ADEOS II	HALO	Predictability, valid, and distributed, dust, water, sulfur, sulfate, formaldehyde, and CO, and NO, oxygen, and ozone.	
	SEDF					PIRAKE	Biogenic physical processes and atmospheric chemistry	
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*HALO, ILAS II, POLDER, and TOMS are also candidates for this mission

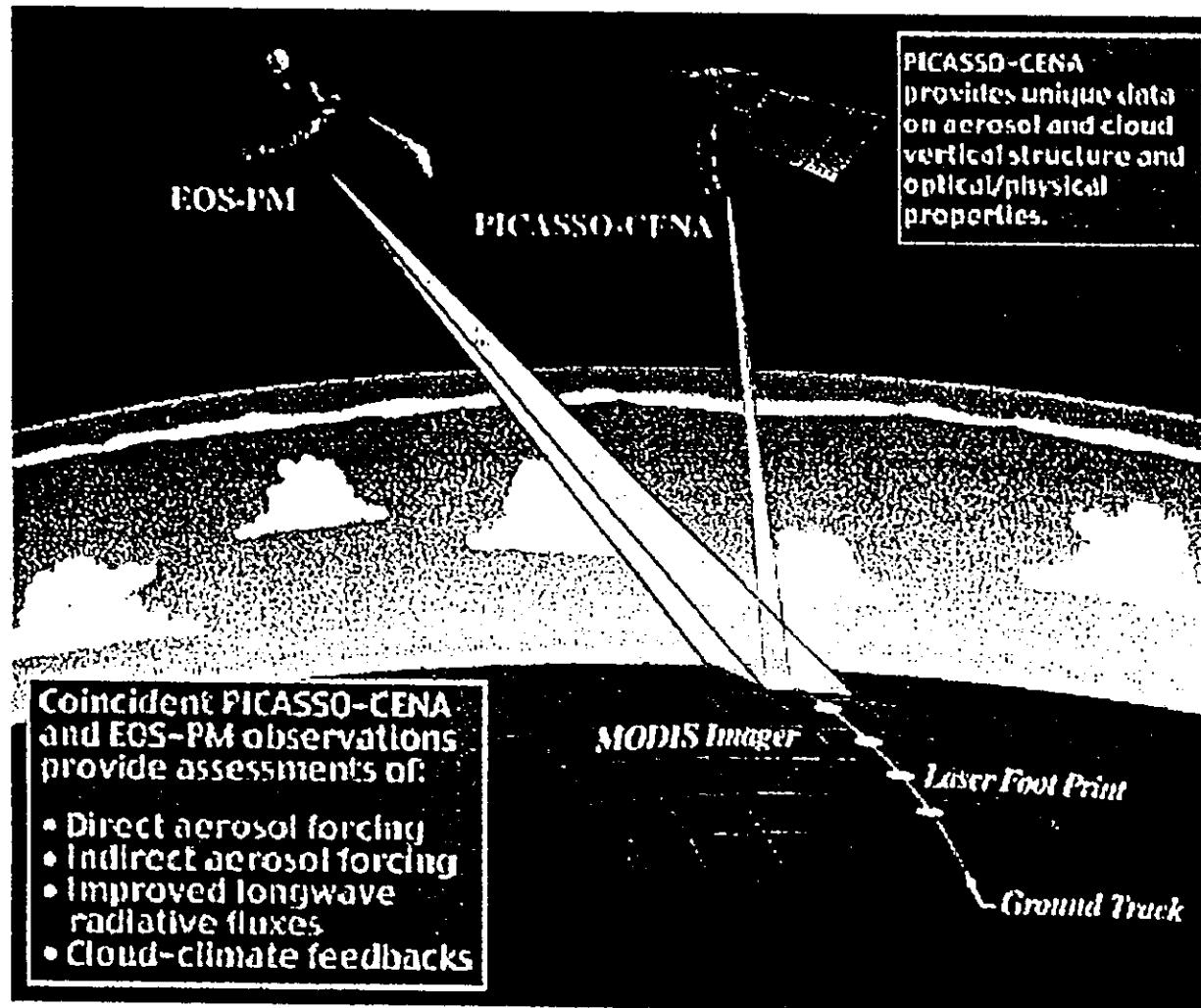
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IEOS - ESE ... cont'd



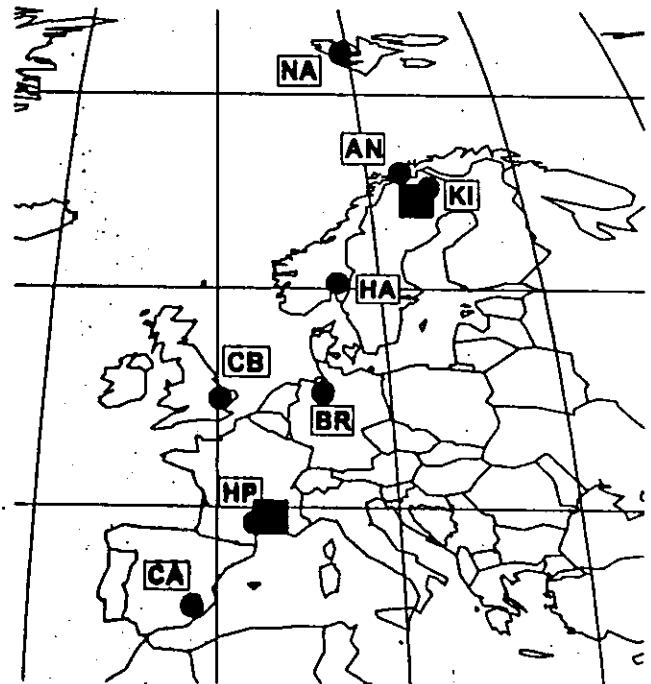
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Stratospheric O₃ destruction by bromine

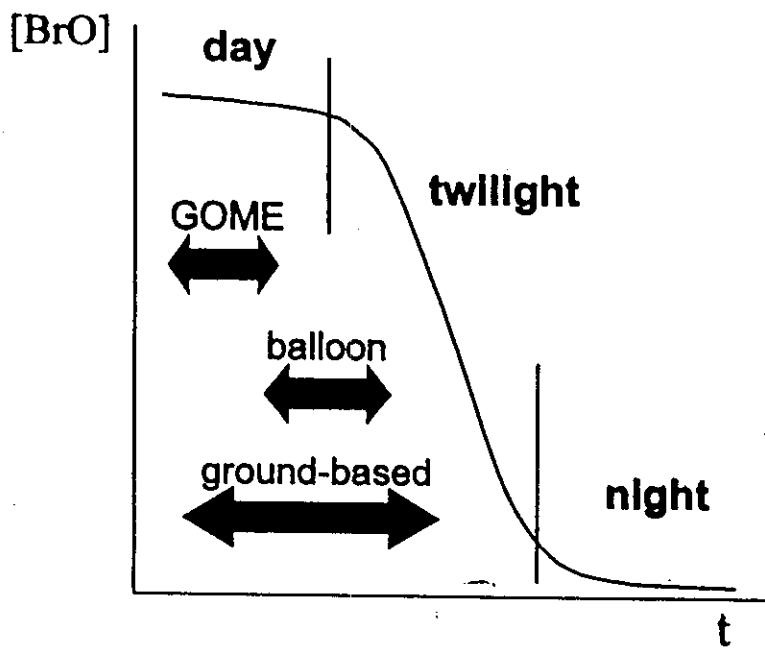
BrO observations



● Ground-based stations
■ Balloon launch sites

+ GOME

BrO diurnal cycle



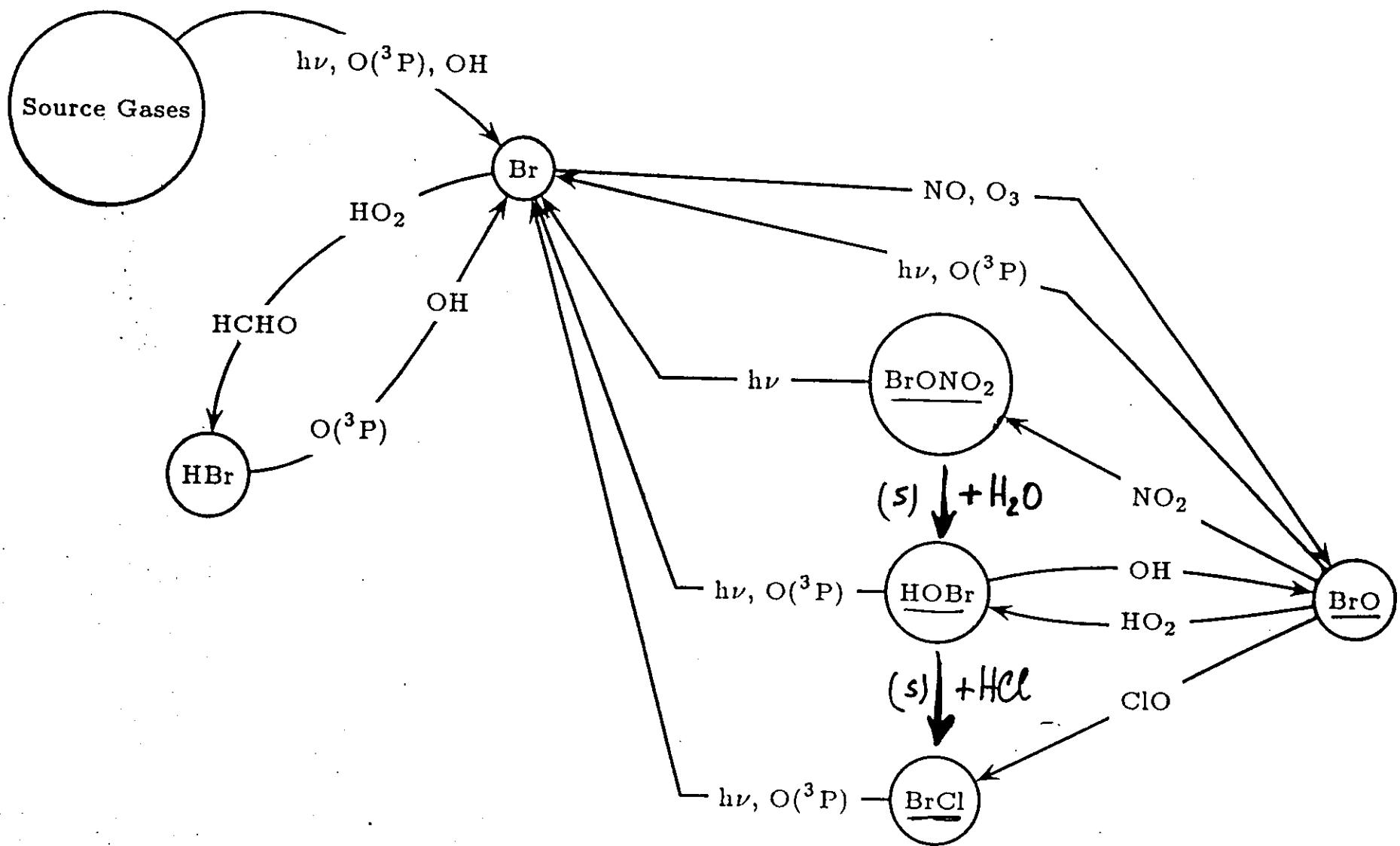
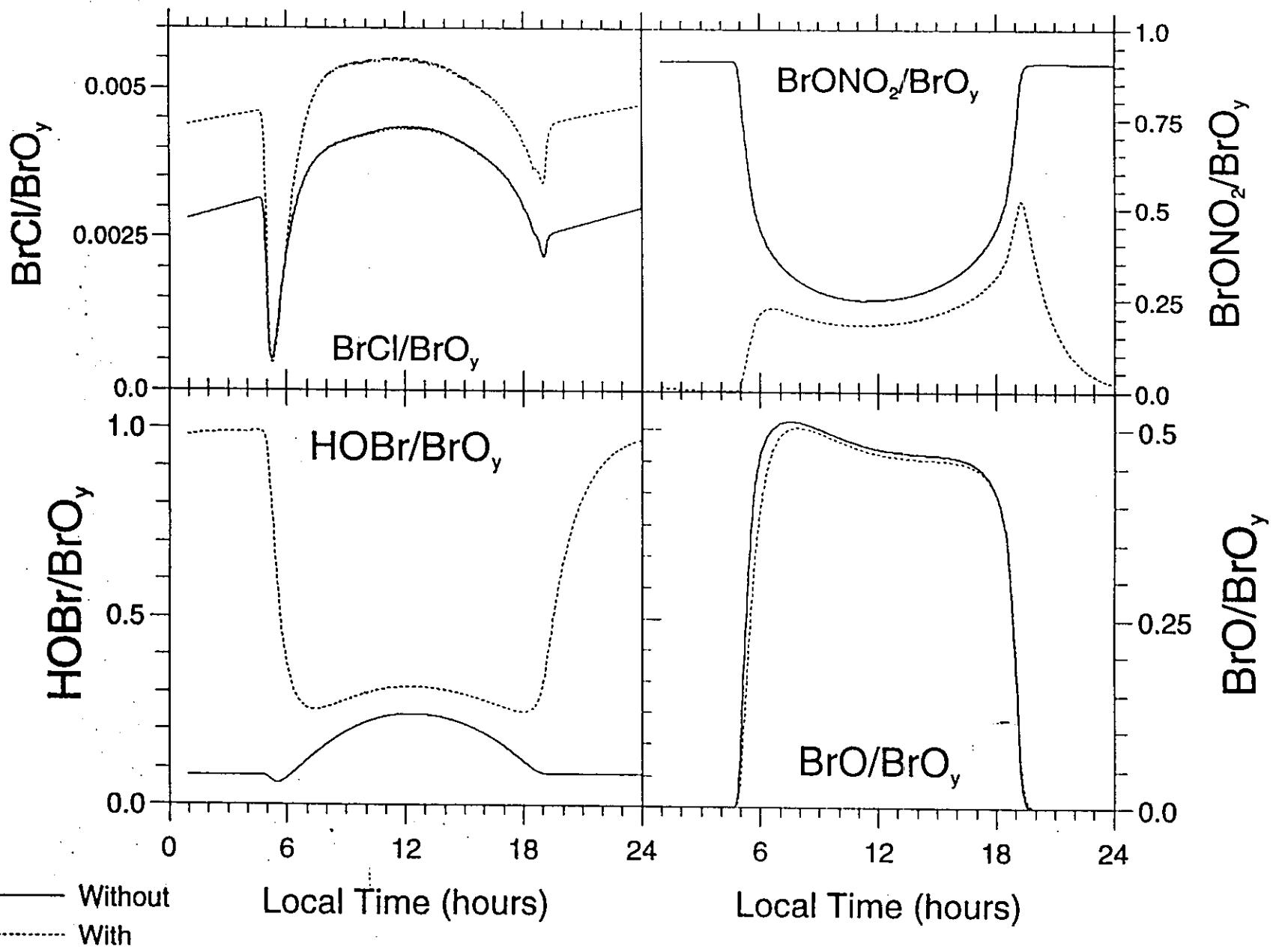


Figure 1. Schematic of atmospheric bromine photochemistry.



37.9° N, 214.5 K, 66.9 mb, 5 May, Aerosol area = $6 \mu\text{m}^2 \text{cm}^{-3}$.

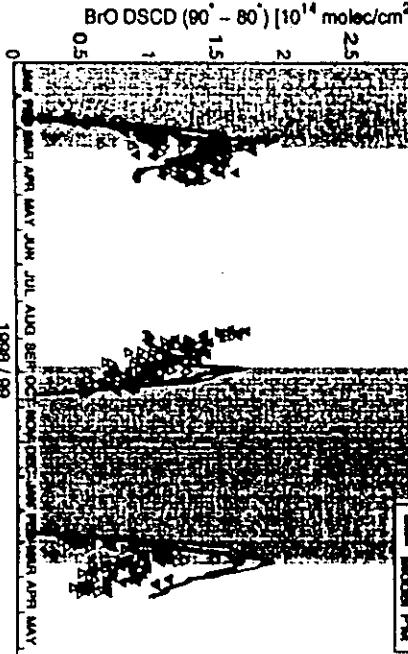
Ground-based BrO vs. SLIMCAT

High Latitudes

Ny-Alesund, 79° N

BrO DSCD ($90^\circ - 80^\circ$) [10^{14} molec/cm 2]

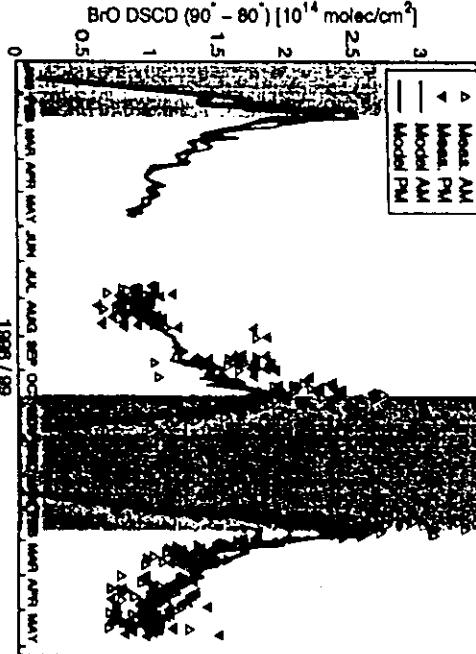
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Andoya, 69° N

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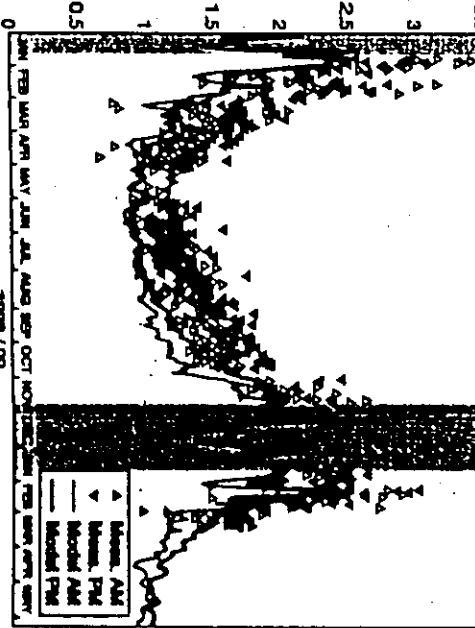
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Harestua, 60° N

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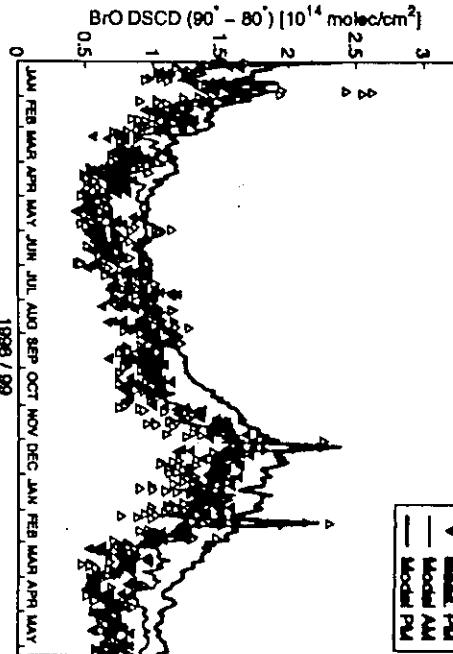


Mid-latitudes

Bremen, 53° N

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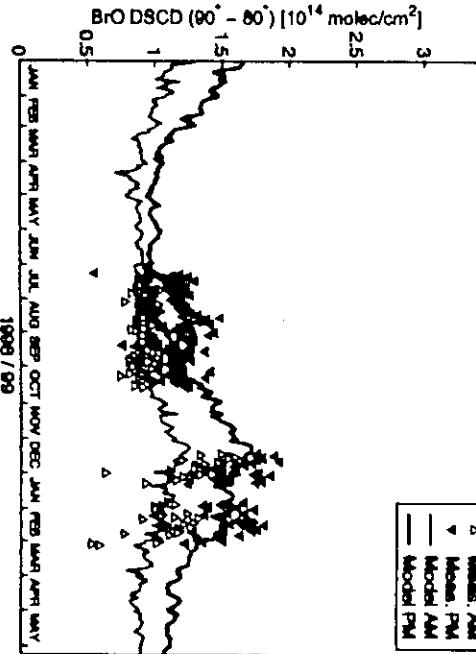
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OHP, 44° N

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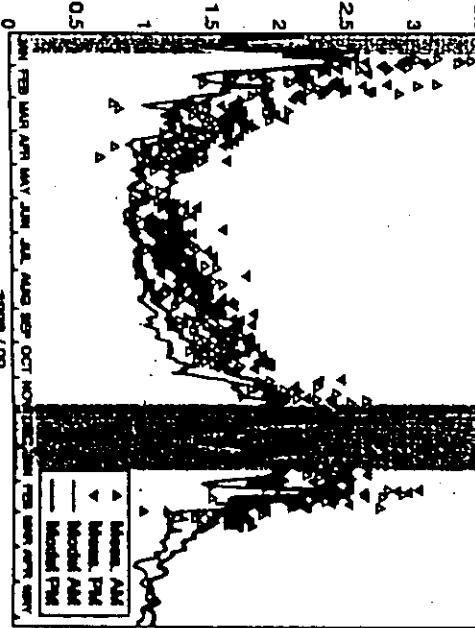
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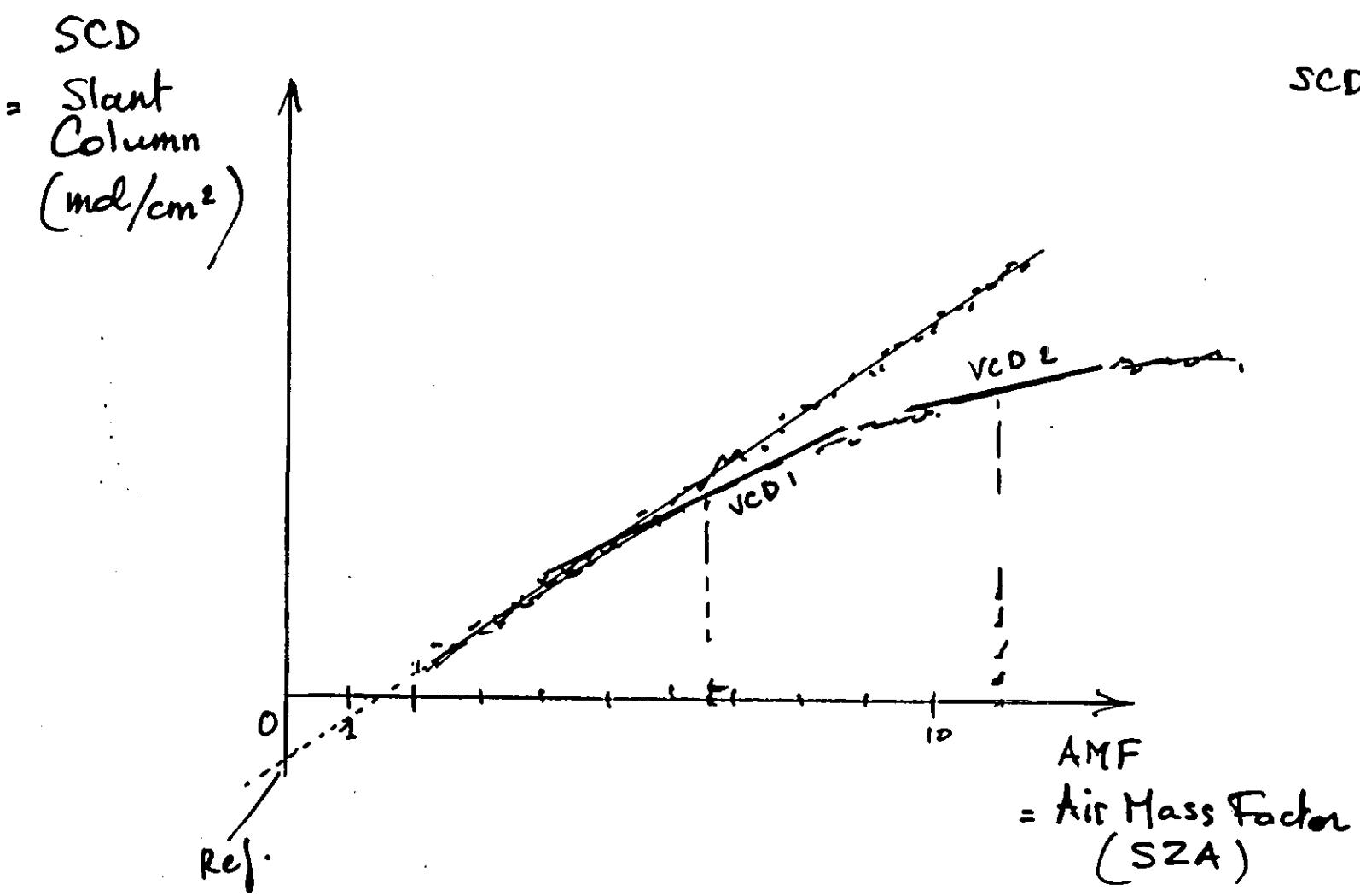


Lauder, 45° S

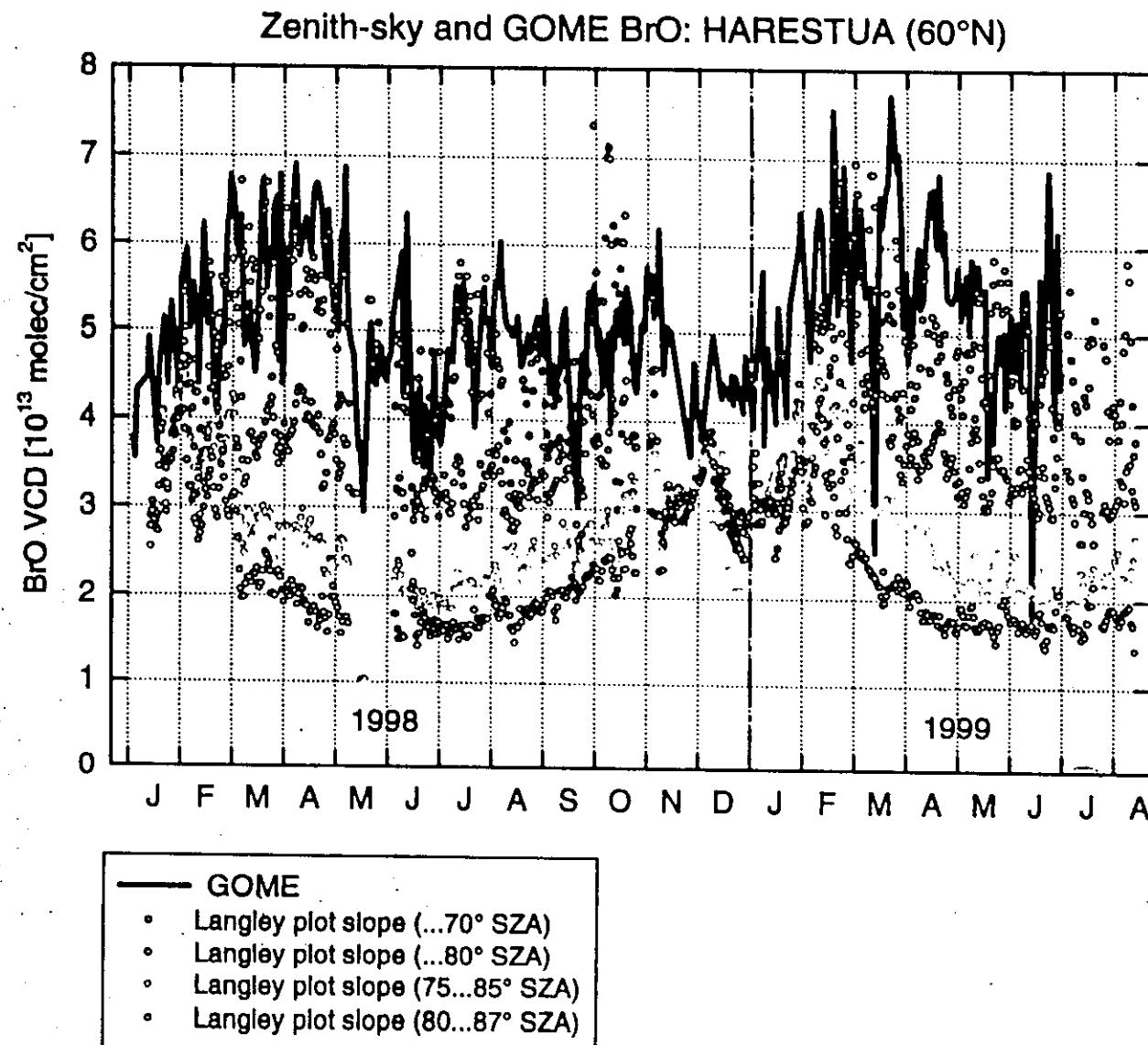
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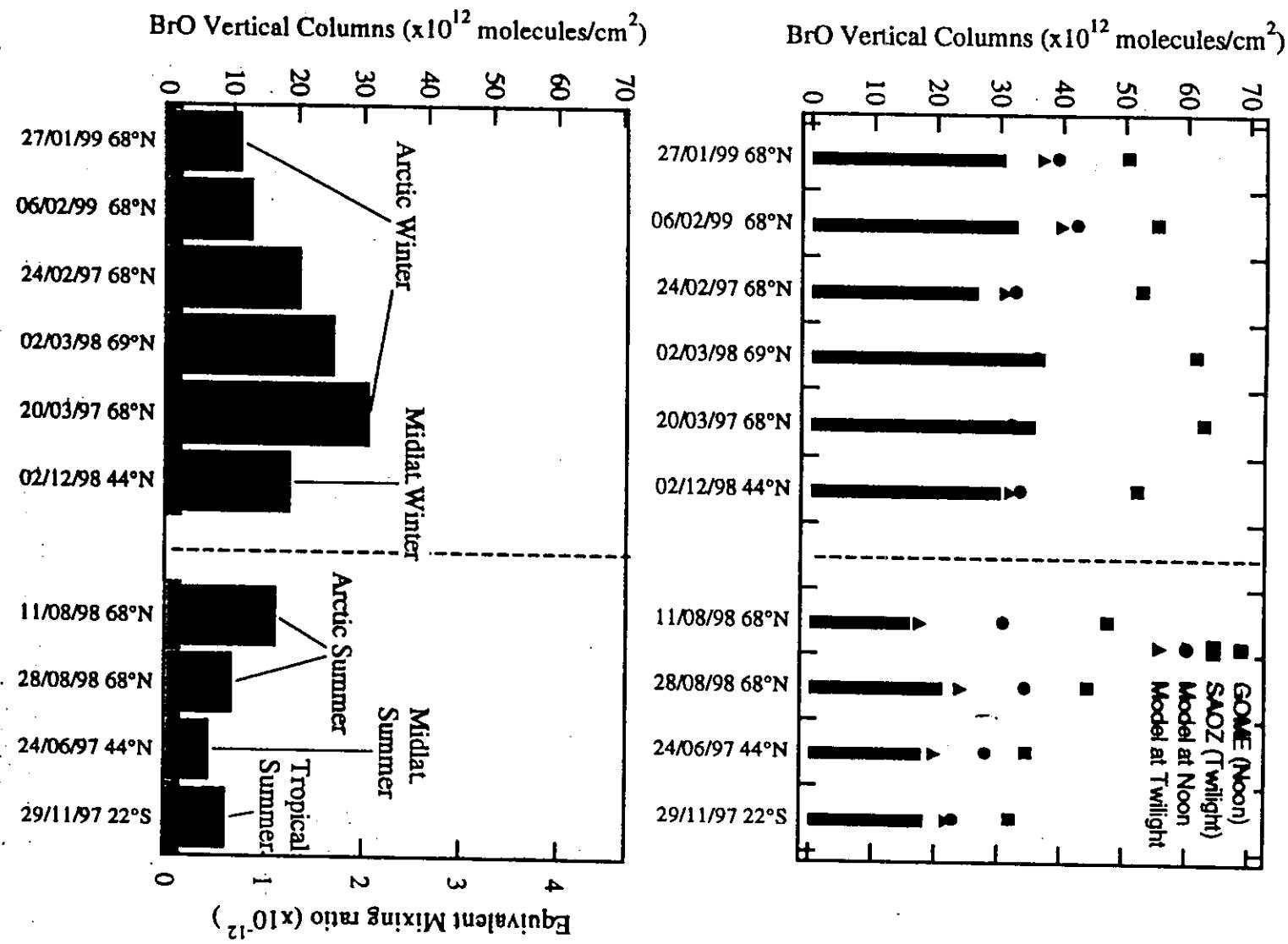




THESEO - Stratospheric BrO



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Validation of space-based measurements /
improvement of retrieval algorithms

GOME AND TOMS TOTAL OZONE VALIDATION WITH NDSC OBSERVATIONS

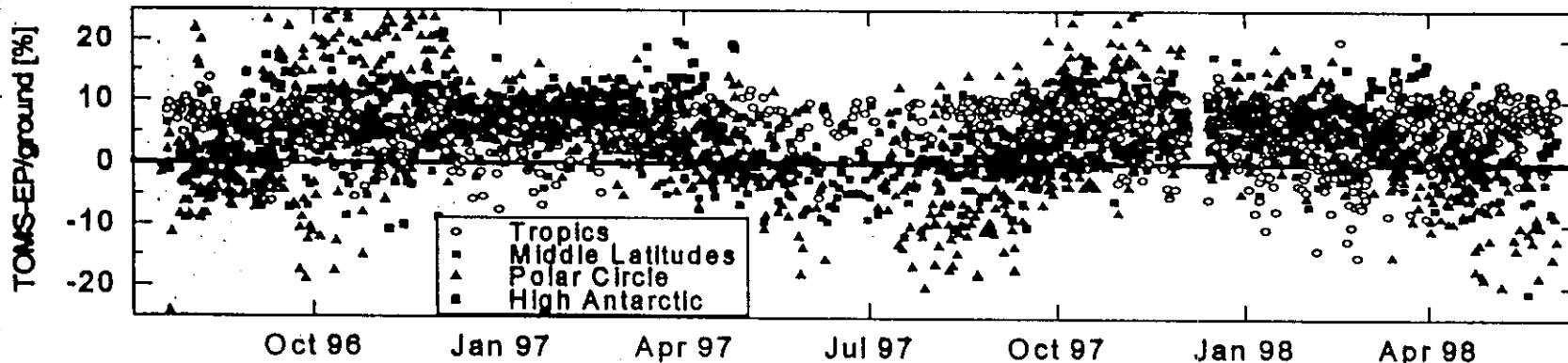


Fig. 3. Percent relative difference between the TOMS-EP and ground-based total ozone in the southern hemisphere.

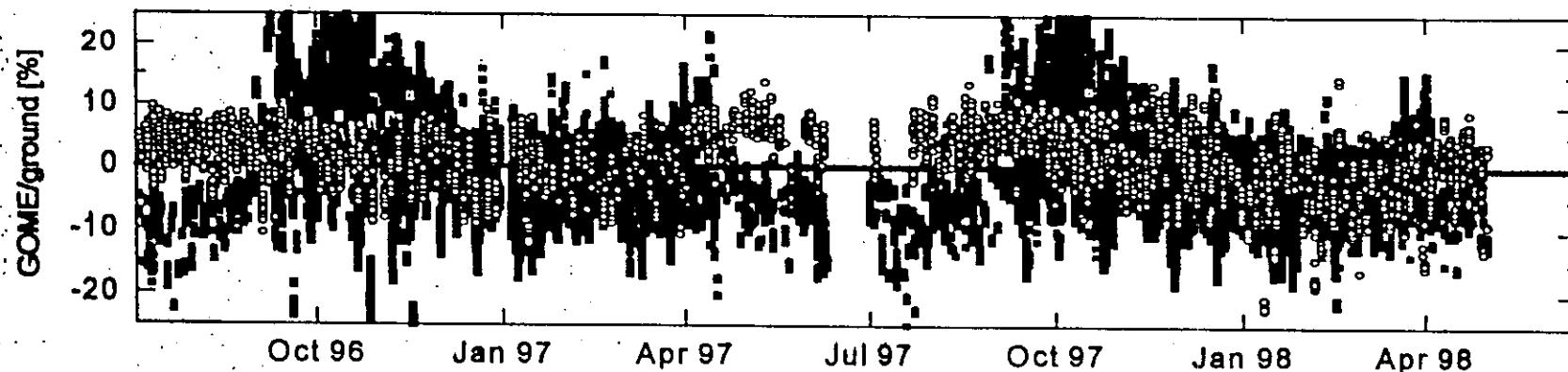


Fig. 4. Percent relative difference between the ERS-2 GOME and ground-based total ozone in the southern hemisphere.

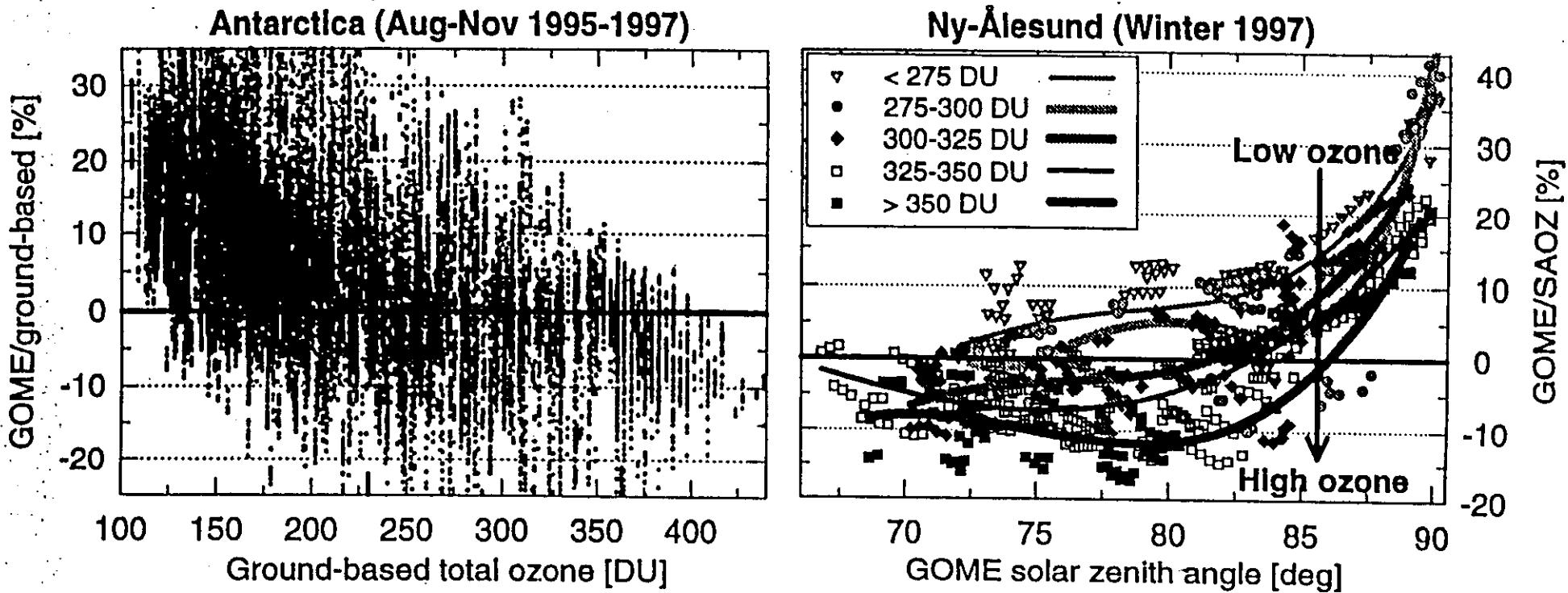
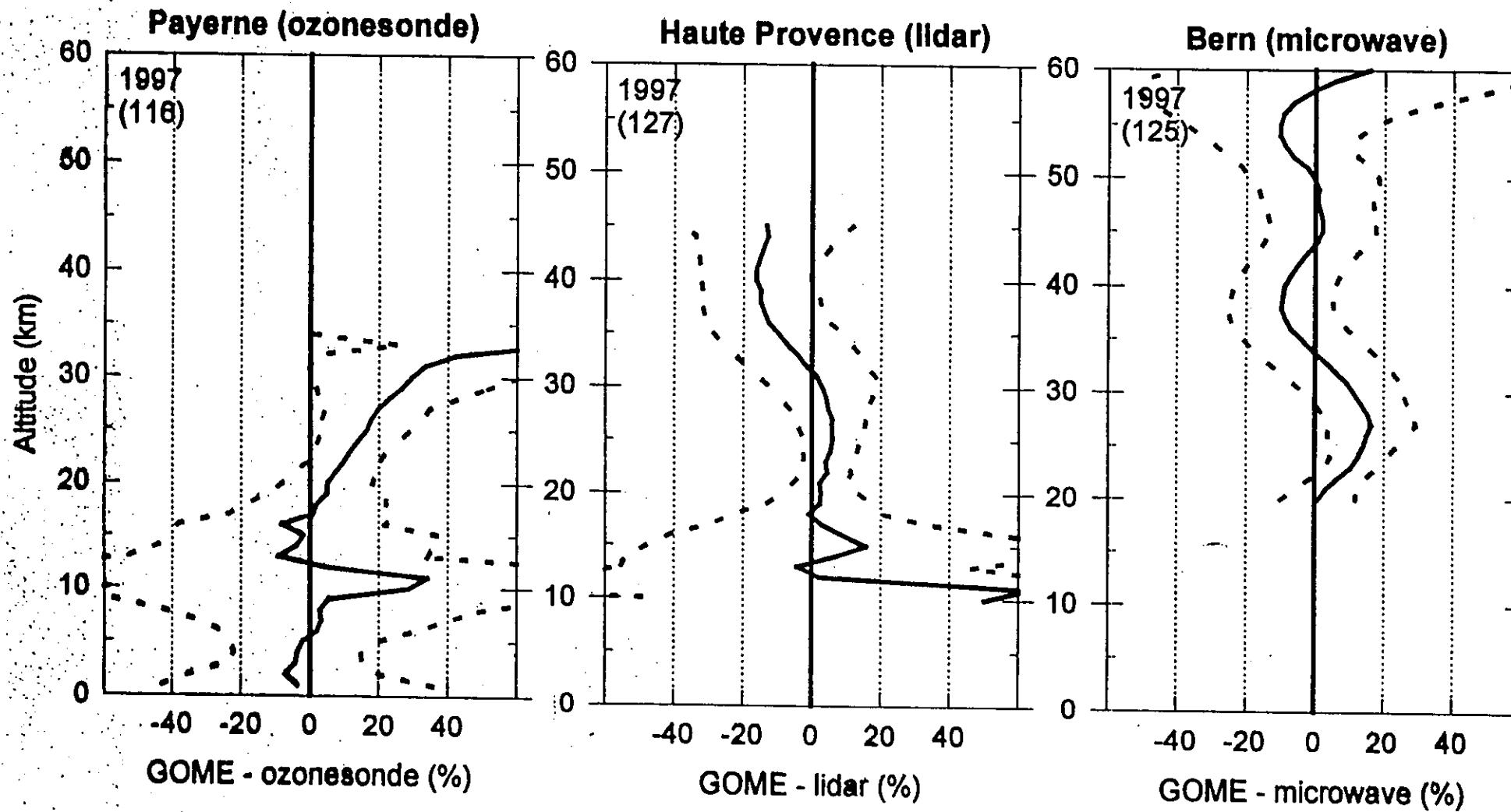
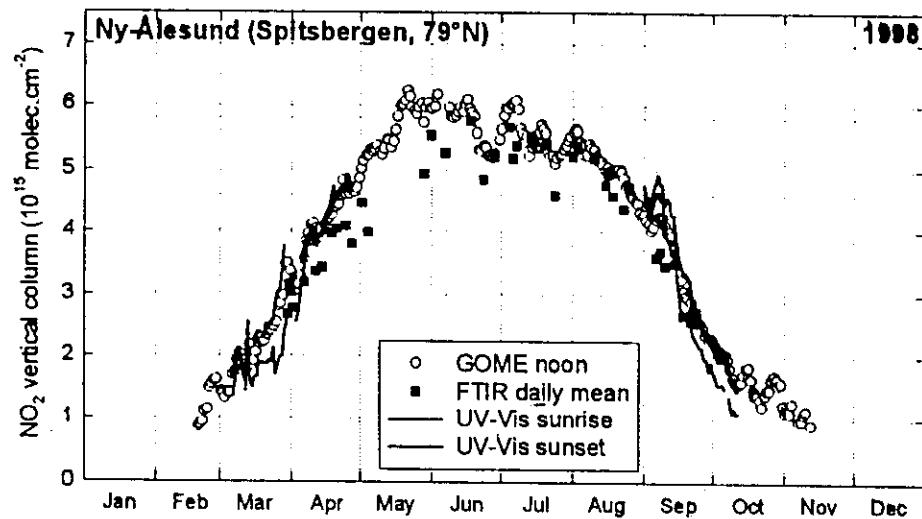
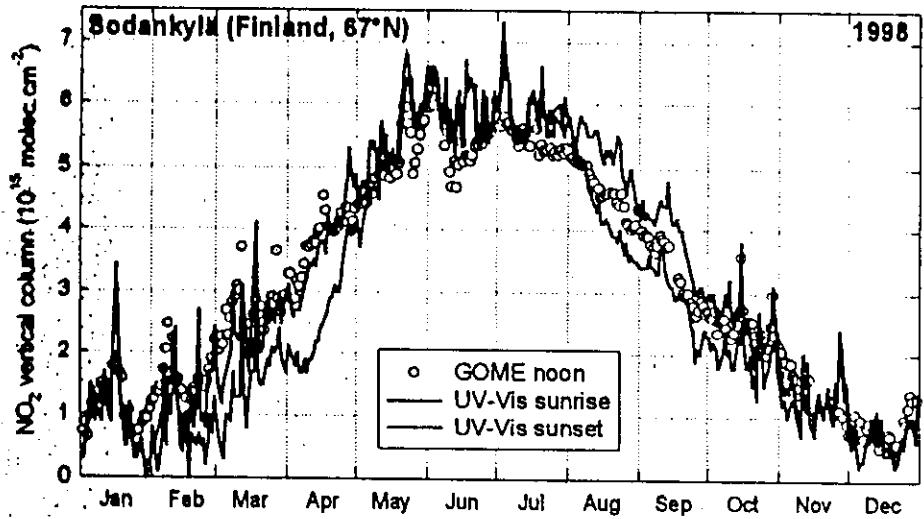
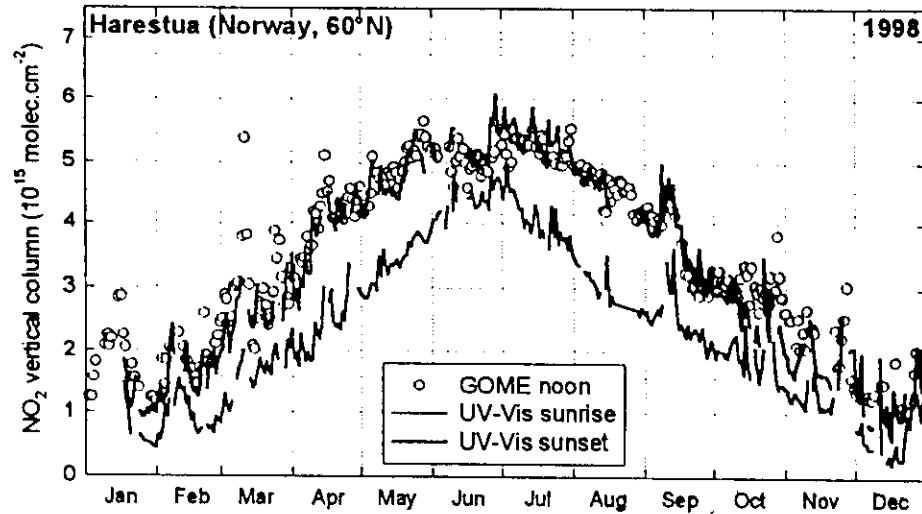
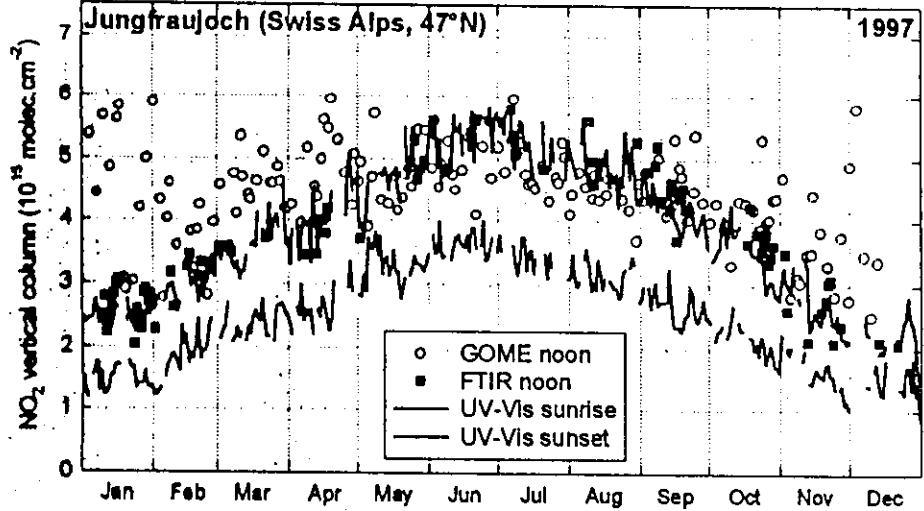


Fig. 6. Difference of sensitivity to total ozone of GOME compared to ground-based sensors at high latitudes. Left panel: column dependence of the relative difference with the five SAOZ and Dobson data records In Antarctica, during springtime ozone depletion. Right panel: column-resolved SZA dependence at Ny-Ålesund during Arctic winter 1997, with polynomial fits.

VALIDATION OF GOME OZONE PROFILE AT THE NDSC/ALPINE STATION





Seasonal and latitudinal variation of total NO₂ as derived from ERS-2 GOME satellite measurements and as observed with ground-based UV-visible and FTIR spectrometers. The synergistic use of different observation techniques and platforms at various locations allows to discriminate measurement artifacts from real geophysical features. E.g., most of outlying satellite data – observed especially over the Alps where ground-based UV-visible data have been filtered out – are indicative of enhanced tropospheric NO₂ to which the GOME measurement is highly sensitive.

Data courtesy: AWI, BIRA-IASB, CNRS/FMI, IFE/DLR/ESA, NILU, and ULG (From COSE Brochure)

