Tropospheric Halogen Chemistry in CAM-CHEM

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Very Short-lived Substances (VSLS)

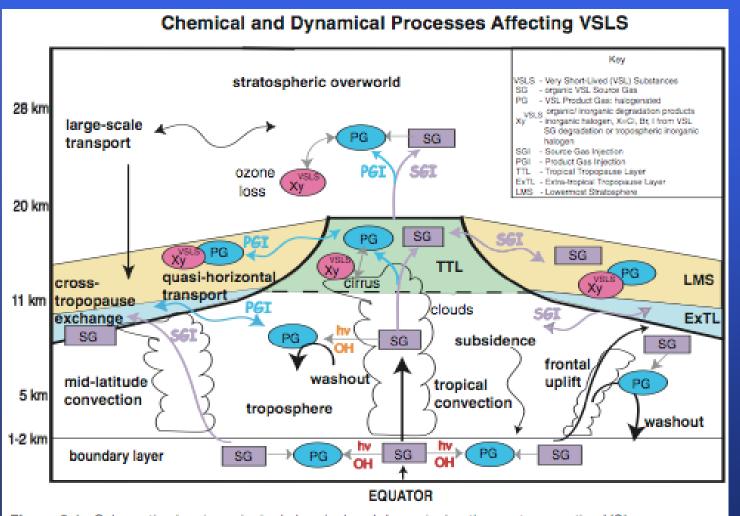


Figure 2-1. Schematic showing principal chemical and dynamical pathways transporting VSL source gases (SG) and organic/inorganic product gases (PG). Stratospheric halogen loading is maintained by transport of source gases followed by their degradation in the stratosphere (the SGI pathway), and transport of intermediate products and inorganic halogens produced in the troposphere (the PGI pathway). Tropospheric inorganic halogens can derive from degradation of VSL SGs, or from inorganic halogen sources. This figure is an update to Figure 2-2 in WMO (2003); courtesy of K.S. Law (Service d'Aéronomie/CNRS, France) and P.H.

- SG = OrganicVSL SourceGas
- PG = VSL Product gas
- inorganic
 halogens
 from organic
 SG
 degradation.

Subset of the VSL Halogenated Substances currently being added the CAM-CHEM mechanism (~20 SG)

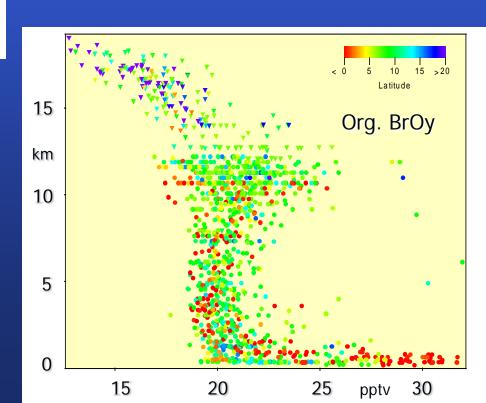
Source Gas	Formula	Local Lifetime (days)	Main Loss processes	WAS
Bromochloromethane	CH ₂ BrCl	150	ОН	\checkmark
Trichloromethane (chloroform)	CHCI ₃	150	ОН	1
Methylene chloride	CH ₂ Cl ₂	140	ОН	\checkmark
Dibromomethane	CH ₂ Br ₂	120	ОН	\checkmark
Bromodichloromethane	CHBrCl ₂	78	OH, hv	\checkmark
Dibromochloromethane	CHBr ₂ CI	69	hv, OH	\checkmark
Tribromomethane (bromoform)	CHBr ₃	26	hv	1
Methyl iodide	CH ₃ I	7	hv	1
Trifluoroiodomethane	CF ₃ I	4	hv	-

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- Convection lofting VSLS into the TTL.
- Influencing the total inorganic bromine abundance.
- Transported to ExTL?

TC4, Whole Air Sampler, Schauffler, Atlas, et al., AGU, 2007

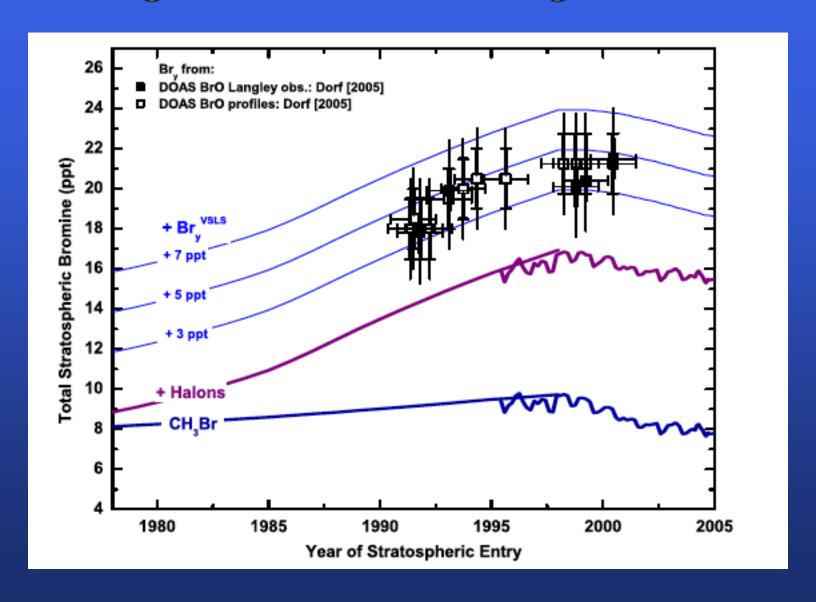
Good Profile Data!



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Total Inorganic Bromine Loading



Ozone Trends

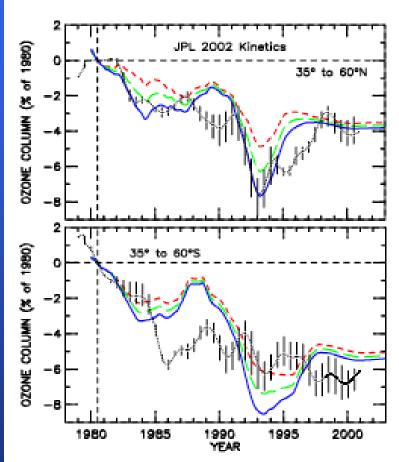


Figure 2-12. Calculated change in column ozone relative to 1980 levels using the AER 2-D model for stratospheric Bry^{VSLS} of 0 (red), 4 (green), and 8 (blue) ppt for 35°N-60°N (top) and for 35°S-60°S (bottom), compared with observed trends in total ozone (black line). Based on Salawitch et al. (2005).

- WACCM and CAM-CHEM will be used to investigate the impact of enhanced BrOy on model derived ozone trends.
- The baseline simulation has been completed (CCMVal REF-B1)

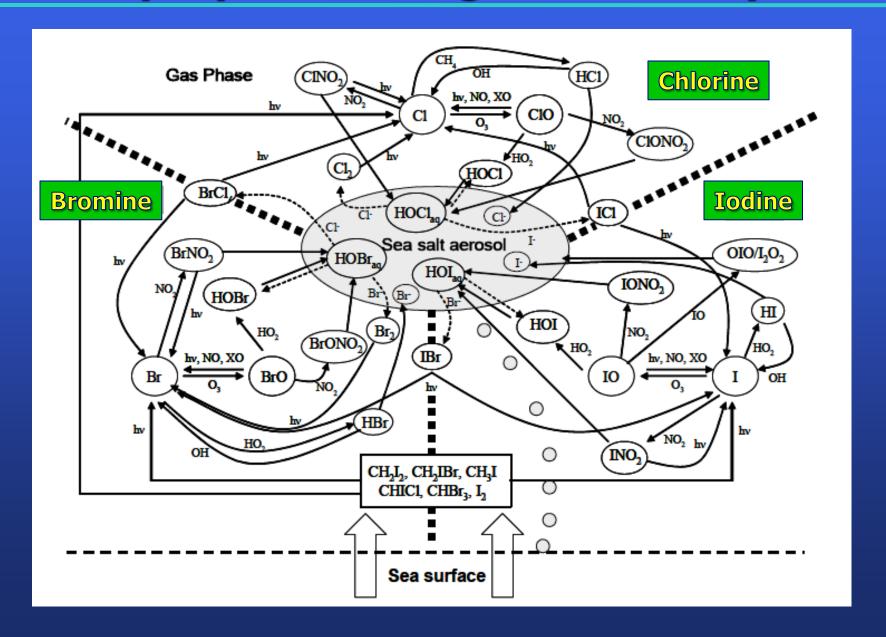
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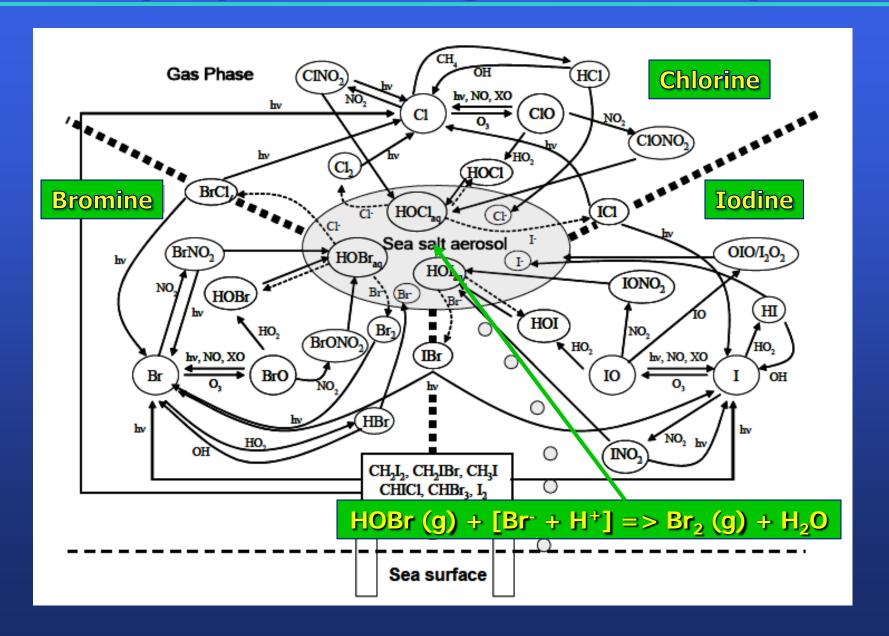
Modeling the Troposphere with VSLS

- Need a model with representation of Tropospheric
 O₃ chemistry (e.g., NMHCs; Emissions, etc...).
- Need a model that includes a VSL organic and inorganic mechanism.
 - Organic species: Adds ~18
 - Inorganic species: Adds ~20
 - Photolysis Rxns: Adds ~23
 - Sulfate Het. Rxns: Adds ~5
 - Sea Salt Aer. Rxns: Adds ~9
- Need Emissions Observations suggest that the biogenic production seems to come from seaweed, phytoplankton, algae etcs... [we use Chlorophyll-A obs from SeaWIFS]

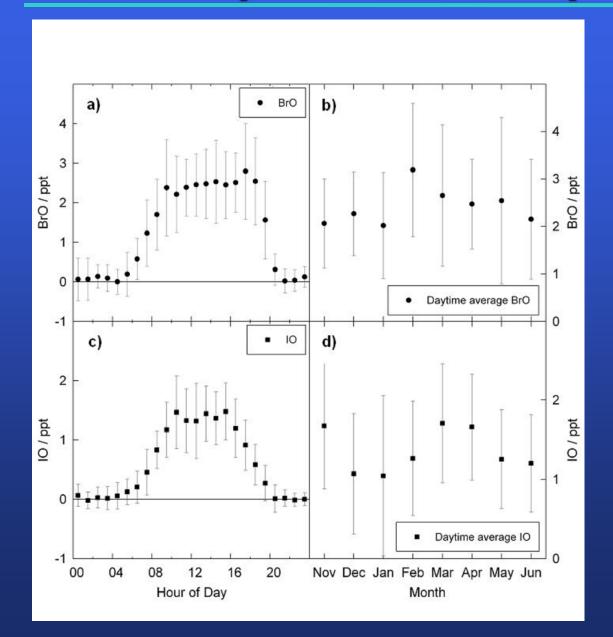
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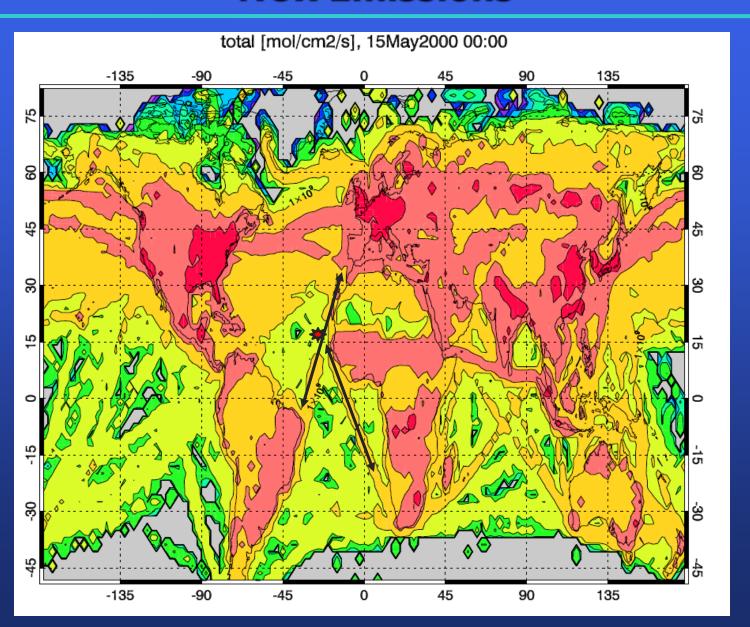
Tropical Lower Troposphere



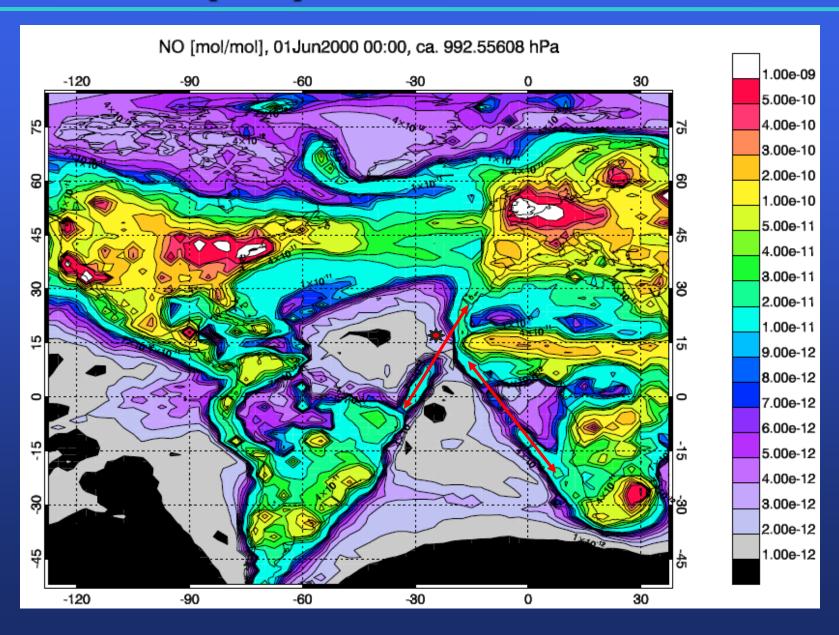
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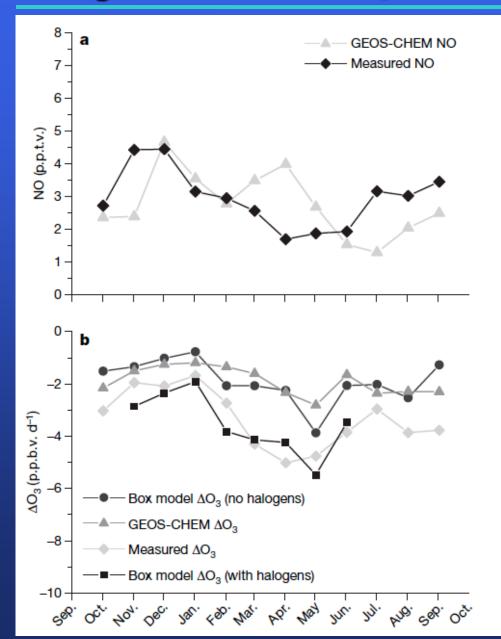
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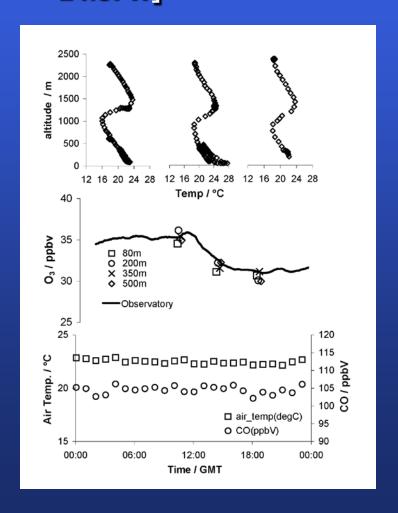
NO (vmr) - Baseline Simulation



O₃ and NO in Tropical Lower Stratosphere



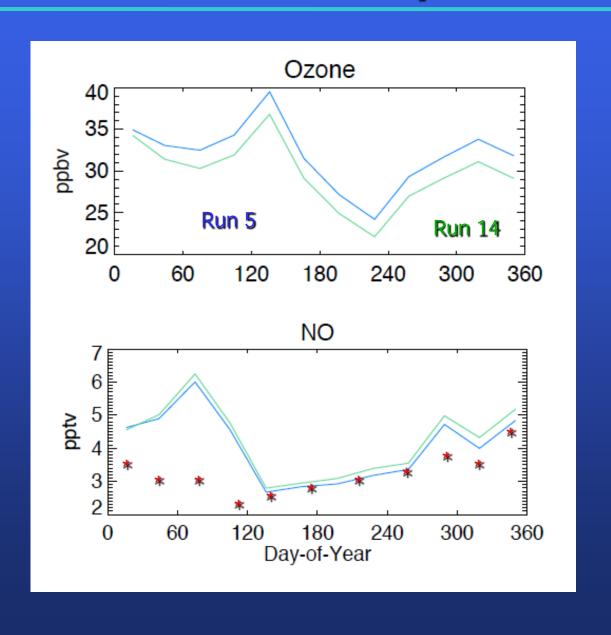
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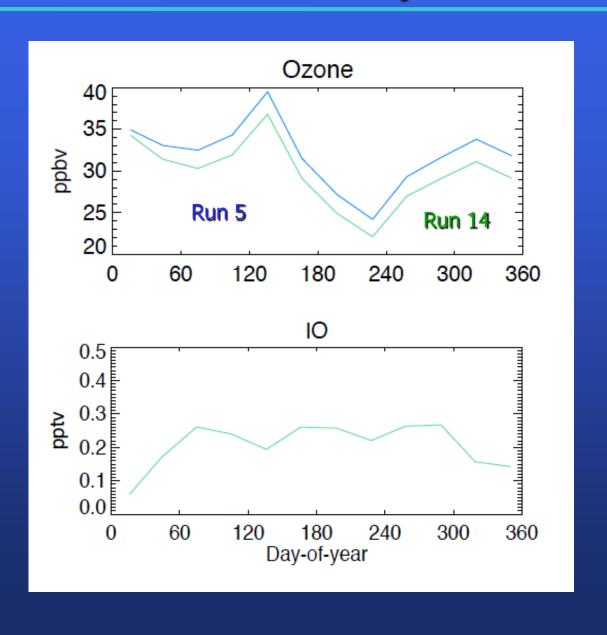
Preliminary Simulations

Sim #	Ship NOx Emiss.	Long- lived halogens	VSL Org Bromine Emissions	VSL Org Iodine Emissions	Recycling on SSA	Climate Feedback
Run 01 CAM3.6 – AR5	Reduced Ship Emissions	CCMVal	NA	NA	NA	ON
Run 05 [Detailed Halogen mechanism]	Same	CCMVal	Zero	Zero	OFF	OFF [Fixed Rad. Active gases]
Run 14	Same	CCMVal	Included	Included	OFF	OFF
Run 16	Same	Same	Included	Included	ON	OFF

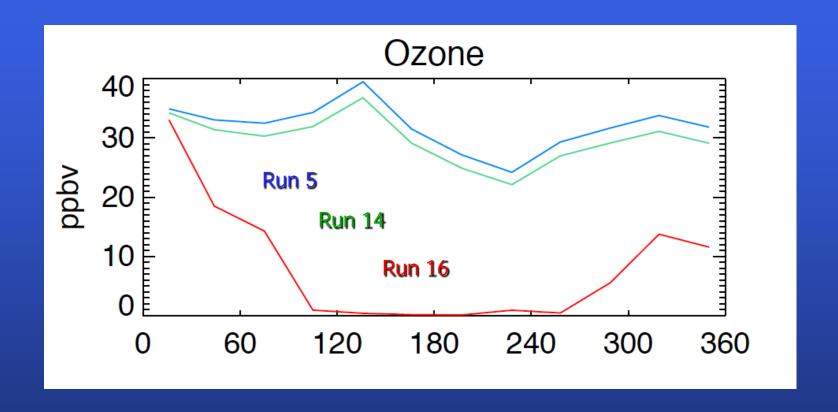
Ozone and NO at Cape Verde



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Ozone at Cape Verde with SSA Recycling: First Attempt!



The End!