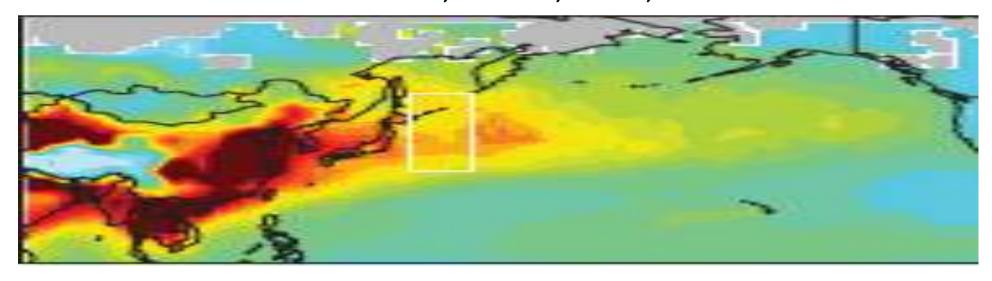


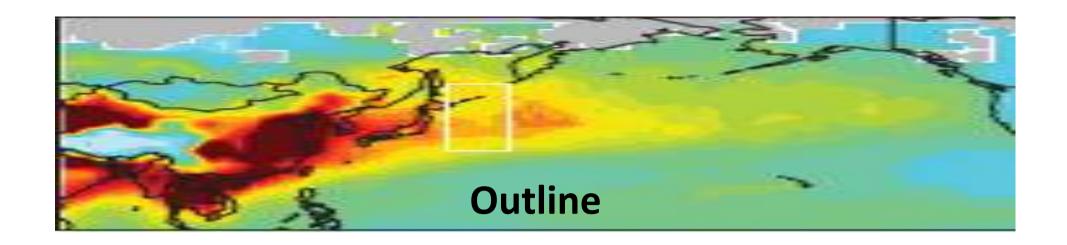




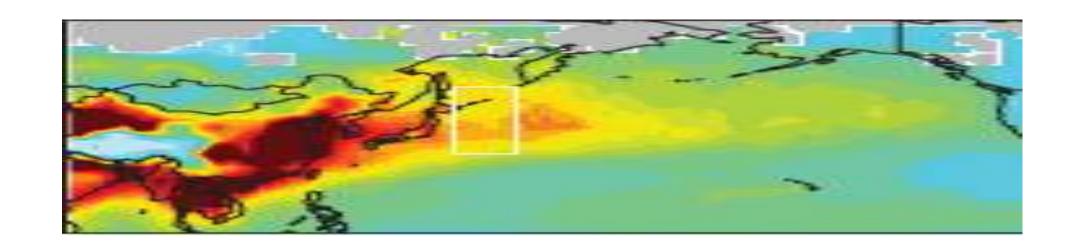
# Hemispheric Ozone: Current Understanding & Future Directions

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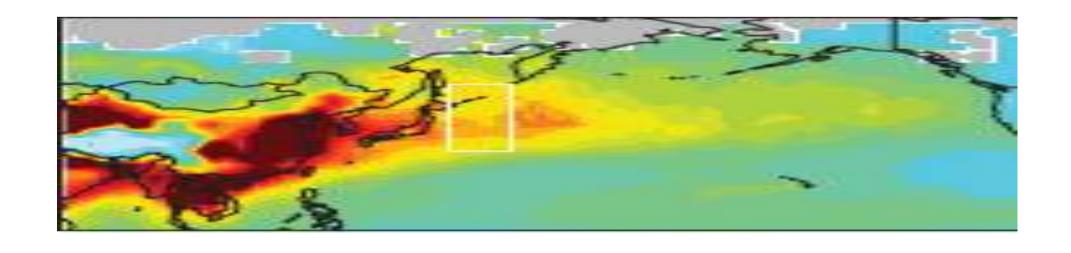




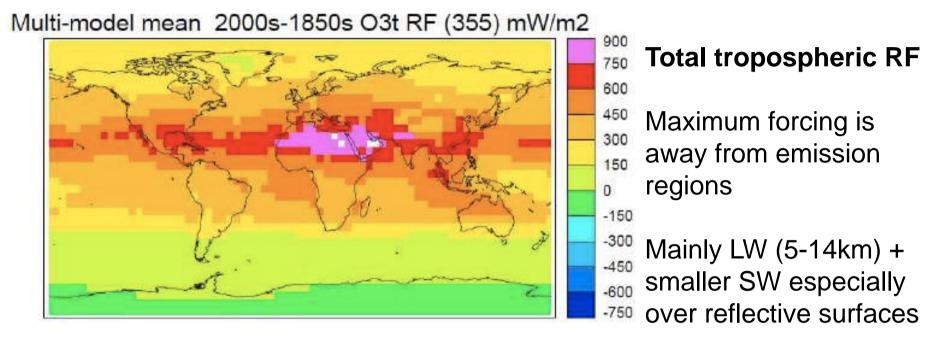
- Motivation
- Observational evidence: « background » vs episodes
- Hemispheric transport and trends
- Pollutant export, processing and import (deposition)
- Concluding remarks future directions

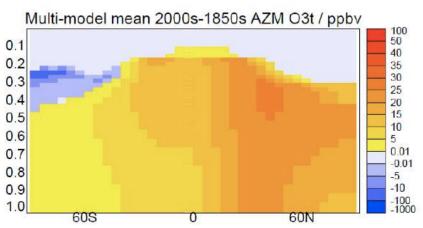


## Motivation



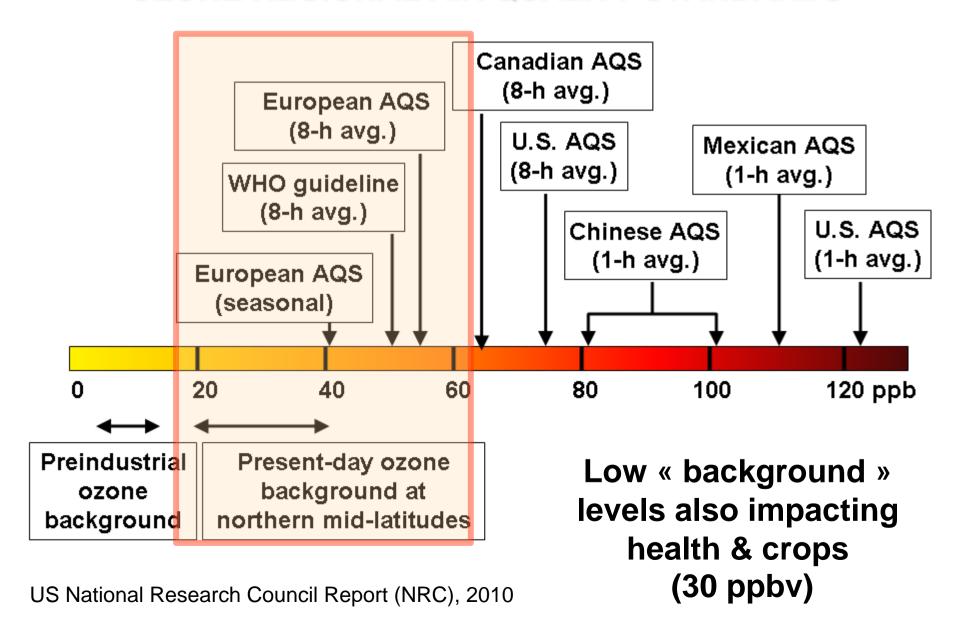
#### **Climate: Ozone Radiative Forcing**



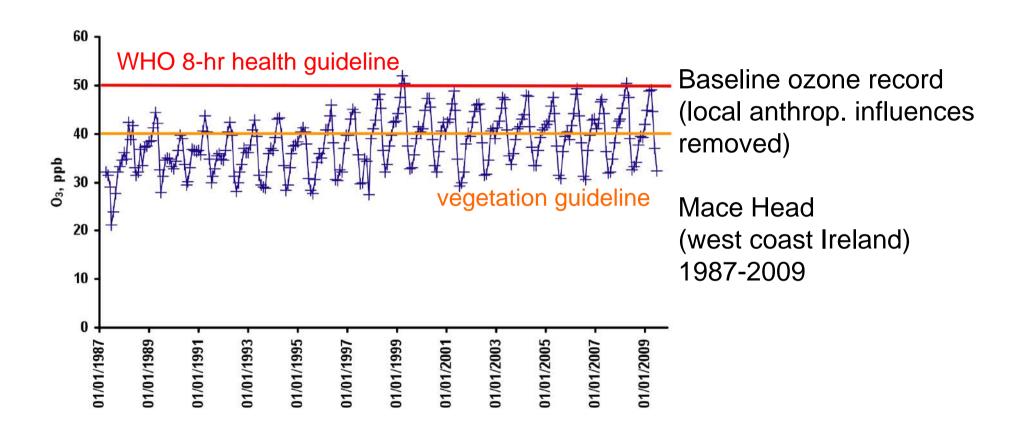


Global mean RF =  $0.4 \text{ Wm}^{-2} + /- 30\%$ 

## HEMISPHERIC POLLUTION: OZONE REGIONAL AIR QUALITY STANDARDS



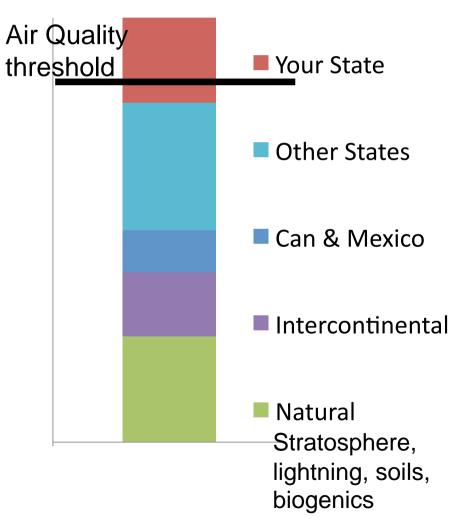
## O<sub>3</sub> import into receptor regions



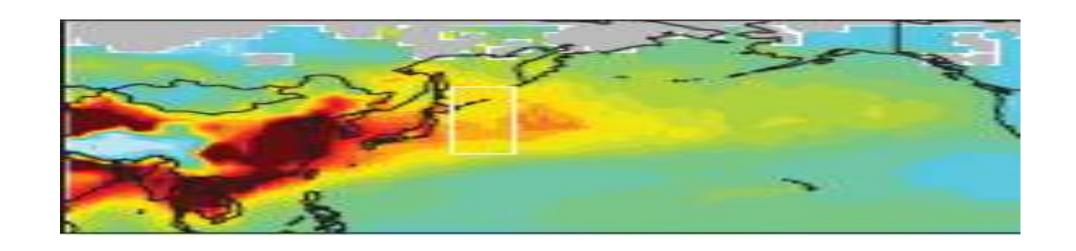
Ozone measurements on west coast of continents show levels approaching or exceeding levels of ambient standards



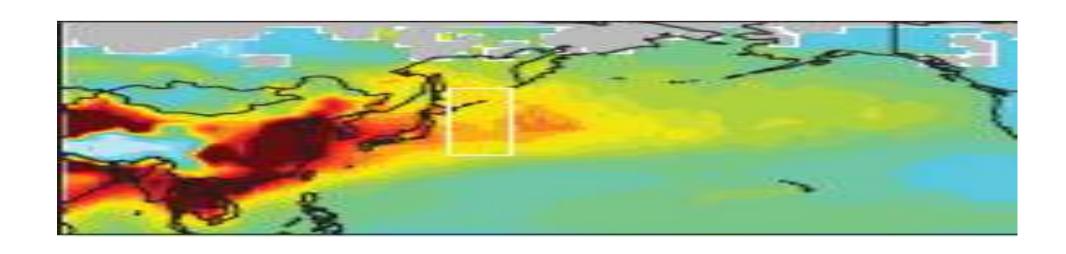
# Long-Range Transport: Implications for AQ management



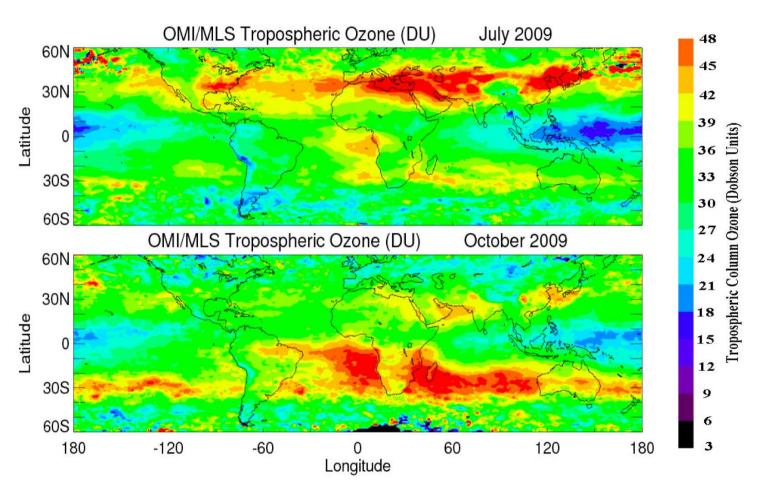
- What are the magnitudes of different fractions contributing to pollutant levels?
- How will fractions change in the future?
- How efficiently can each fraction be mitigated?
- What policies and programs are needed?



## **Observational Evidence**

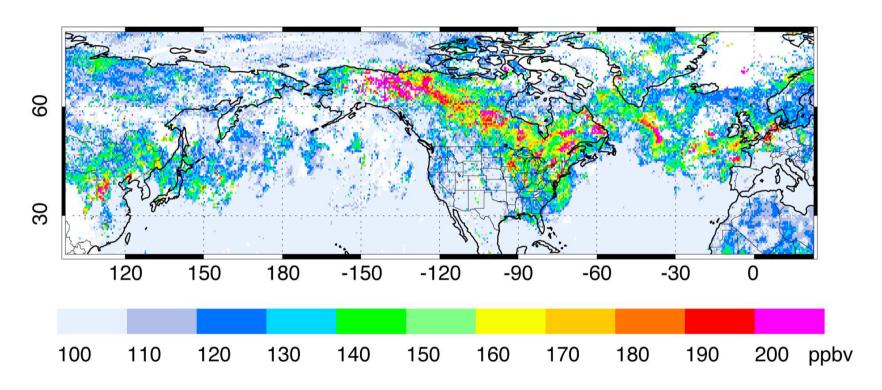


## Hemispheric Ozone from Space



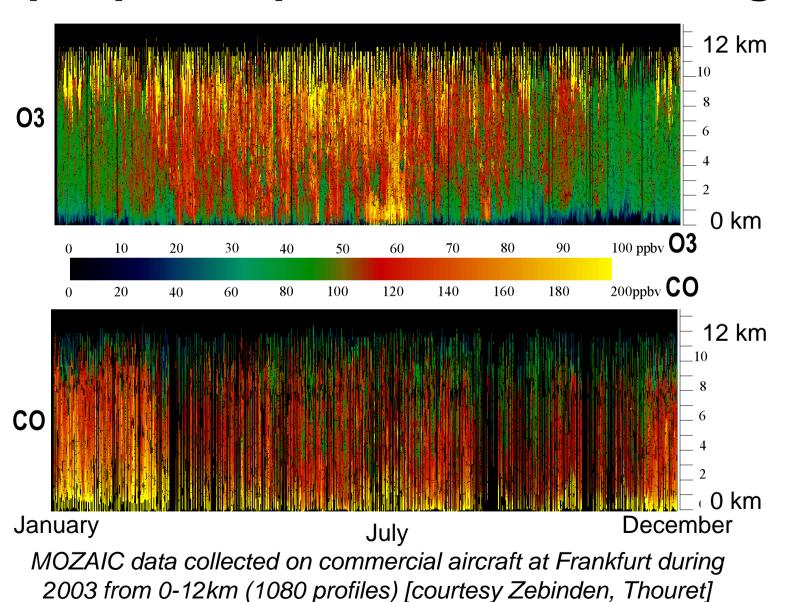
Tropospheric ozone column satellite data - mix of long-range transport, chemical production/loss and natural sources (stratosphere) [Ziemke et al., 2006]

## O<sub>3</sub> precursors: plume events

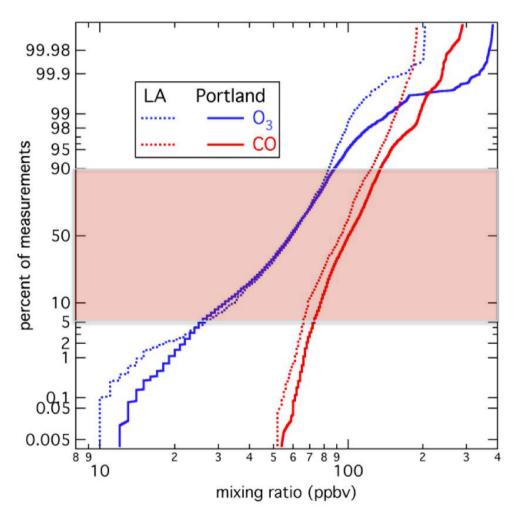


Forest fire and anthropogenic CO plumes seen by MOPITT satellite in July 2004 (*NRC*, 2010)

### Troposphere: plumes of different ages



# Receptor regions see broad spectrum of concentrations



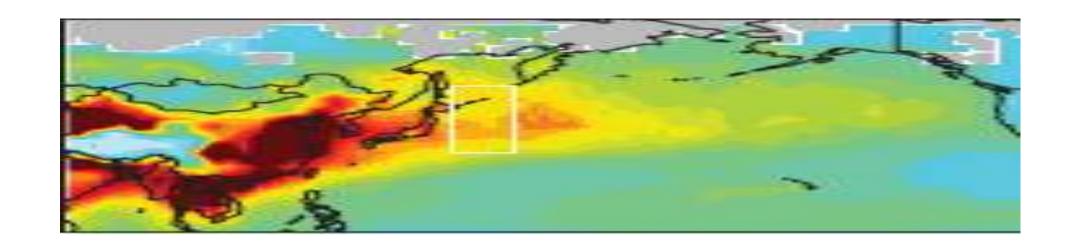
Vertical CO and O3 profiles - MOZAIC aircraft @ 2-10km over west coast USA, summer (HTAP, 2010)

« Plumes » only account for 1-2% of air masses

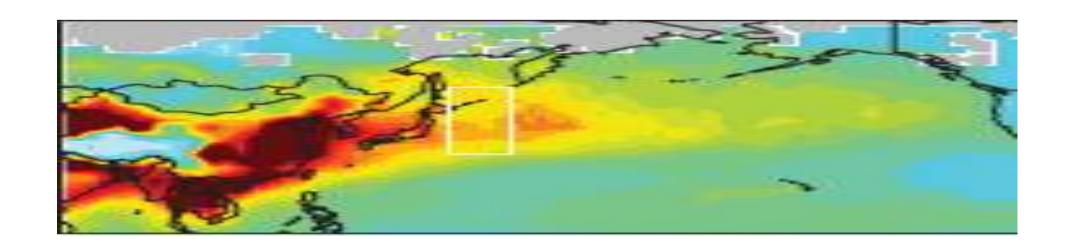
All NH influenced by anthrop. pollution (even at remote sites)

« Background » not a very useful concept

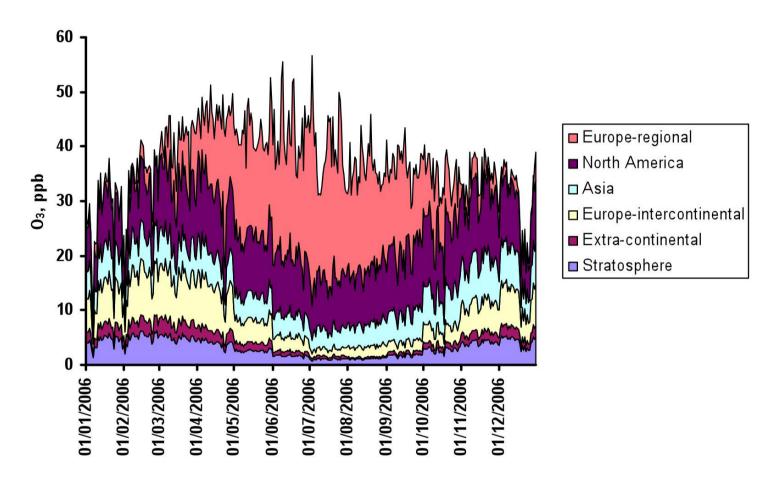
Pollution is global



## **Hemispheric Transport & Trends**



### **Observed Ozone: Mix of Origins**

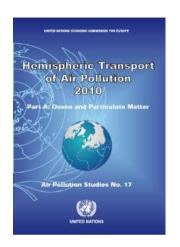


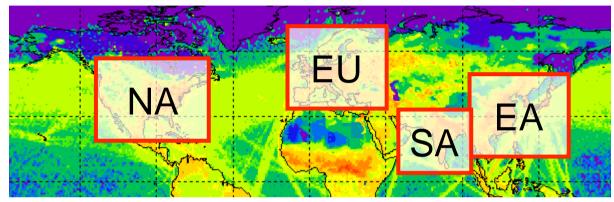
Analysis of natural, inter-continental and local contributions to surface O<sub>3</sub> (southern England) Derwent et al. (2008)

#### **HTAP Findings**



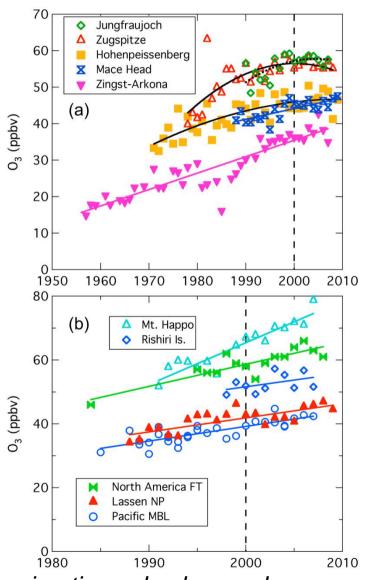
# Relative Annual Intercontinental Response (RAIR) Metric : changes outside a region/ changes in all regions





- At least 30% surface  $O_3$  response in a receptor region is due to changes outside the region (NOx, CO, VOCs) + 30-50% from CH4
- External contribution more important when 'local' sources are more regulated and at lower concentrations
- Implications for ozone trends (past and future)

#### **Observed Ozone Trends**



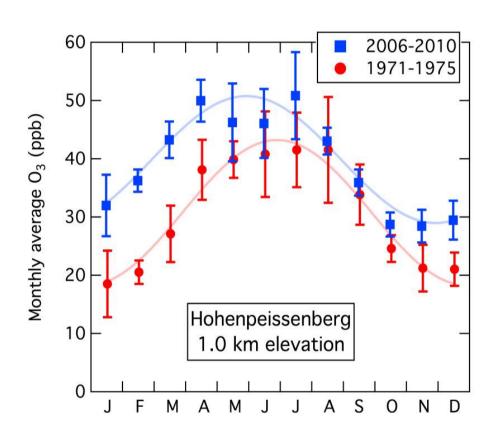
- Local + inter-continental impacts reflected by changing average concentrations (anthrop. + natural)
- Since 1950 O<sub>3</sub> in northern midlatitudes has increased by at least a factor of two – most likely due to anthrop. emissions
- O<sub>3</sub> continues to increase in certain regions (e.g. downwind Asia) – especially in winter and spring
- Slowing trends in central Europe and North America

Parrish et al., 2012 +

spring-time « background » ozone trends

also Logan et al. (2012) & other studies

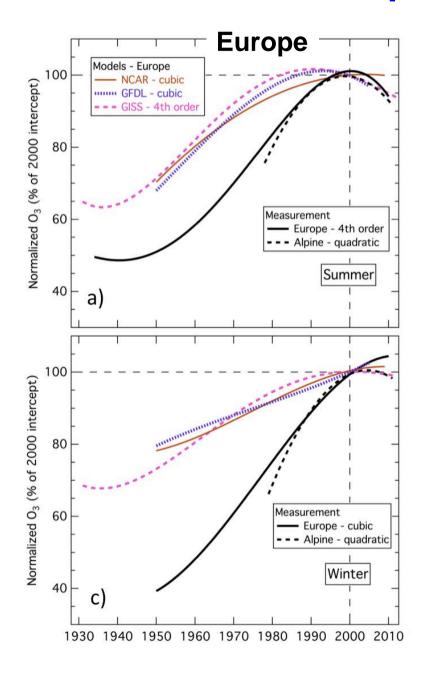
#### **Changes in Observed Ozone Seasonal Cycle**



Parrish, Law, et al., 2013; also Cooper et al., 2014

- Shift to earlier max. ozone increases in winter/spring
- Implications for "chronic health effects" & crops (growing season)
- Why? (shifting emissions patterns (EU/NA, AS♠) coupled to large-scale transport (e.g. NAO), strat. flux, climate change?)
- Global models first results suggest they have difficulties

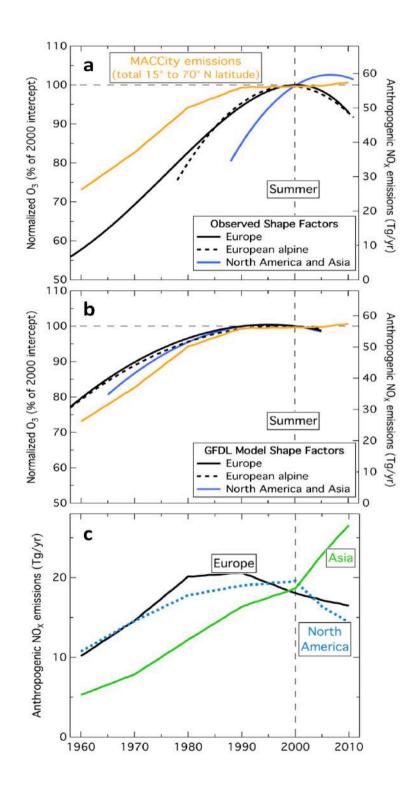
#### Northern Hemisphere Ozone Trends: Europe



#### **Modelled trends:**

- 50% of observed trends
   1950-2000 (AR5 emissions)
- 25-40% of observed slowing (over Europe)
- Larger summer EU trends than winter (opposite to obs.)
- Overestimate 2000 concs.

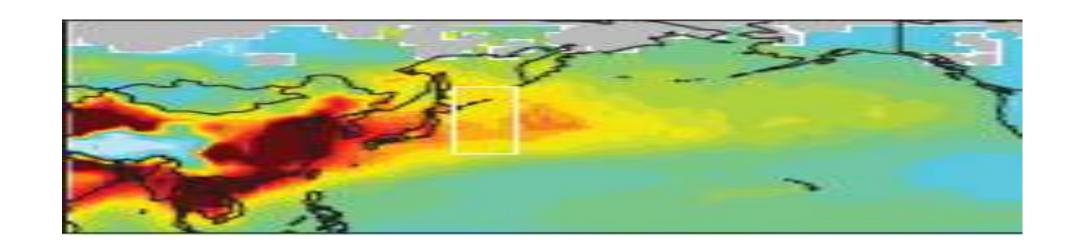
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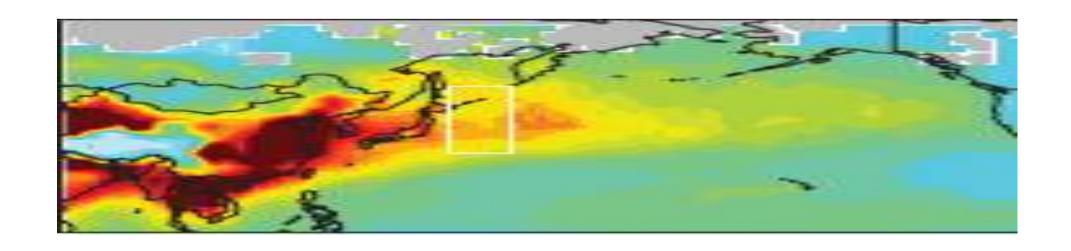
# Modelled trends appear to be driven by precursor emission trends (e.g. NOx)

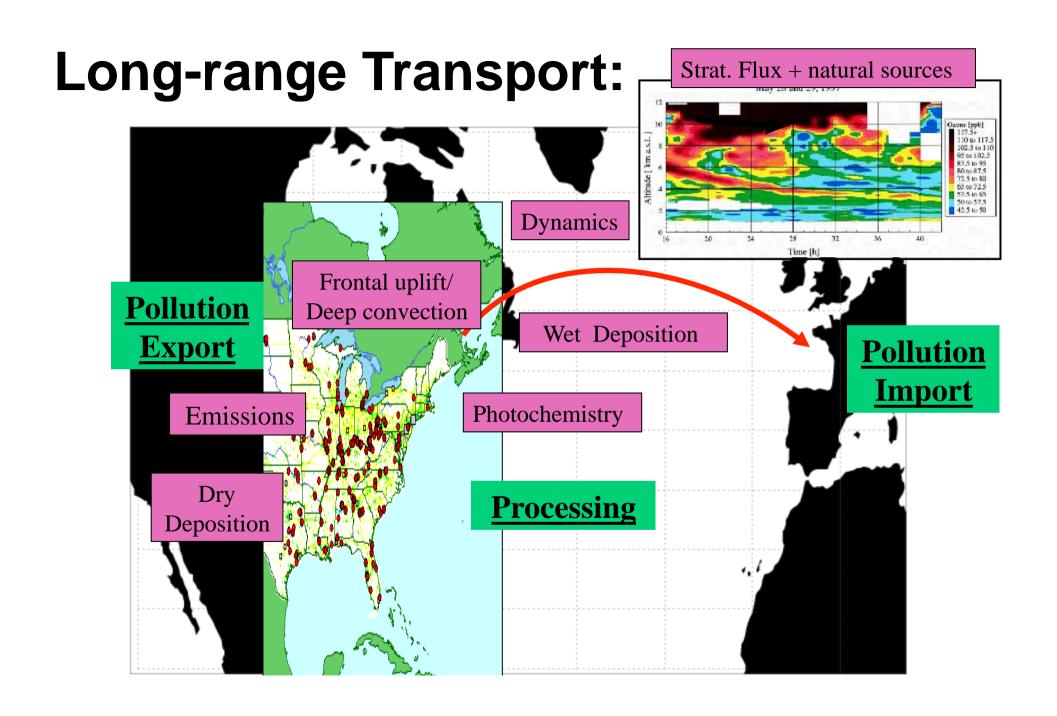
# Not capturing increases over Asia and N. America (west)

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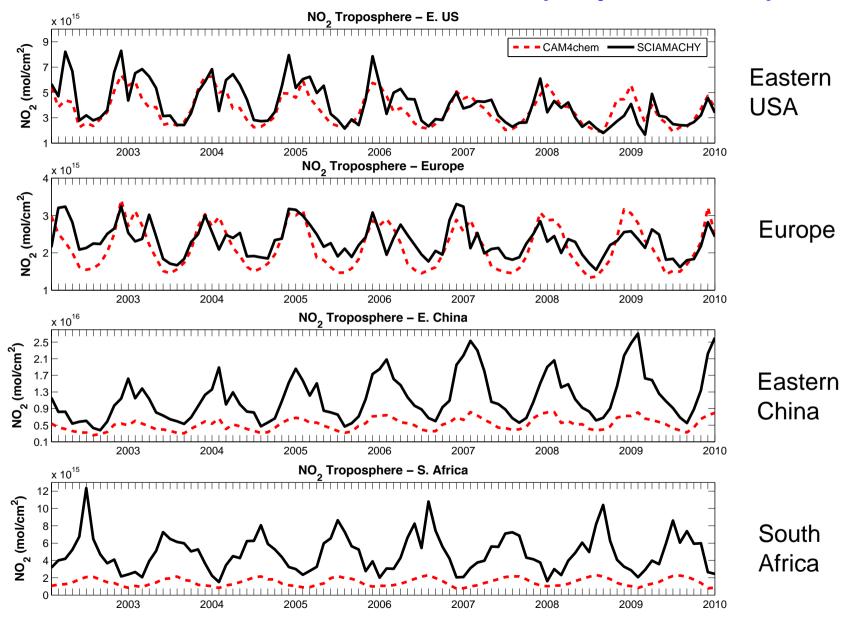


# Pollutant (ozone) Export, Processing & Import



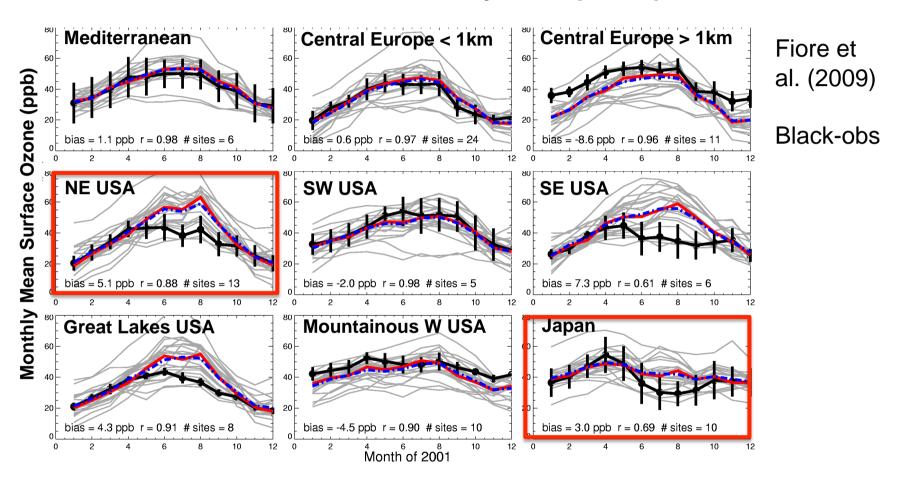


#### **CAM4chem versus SCIAMACHY NO2 (trop. columns)**



#### **HTAP 2010 Findings**

#### **Modelled Seasonal Cycles (2001)**



Large spread across models - ensemble mean generally captures observed monthly mean surface O<sub>3</sub> but **there are notable biases** 

#### **Ozone Deposition onto Vegetation**

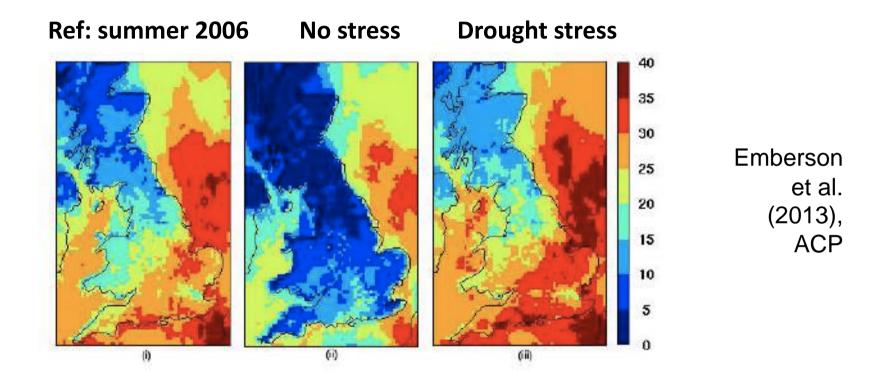
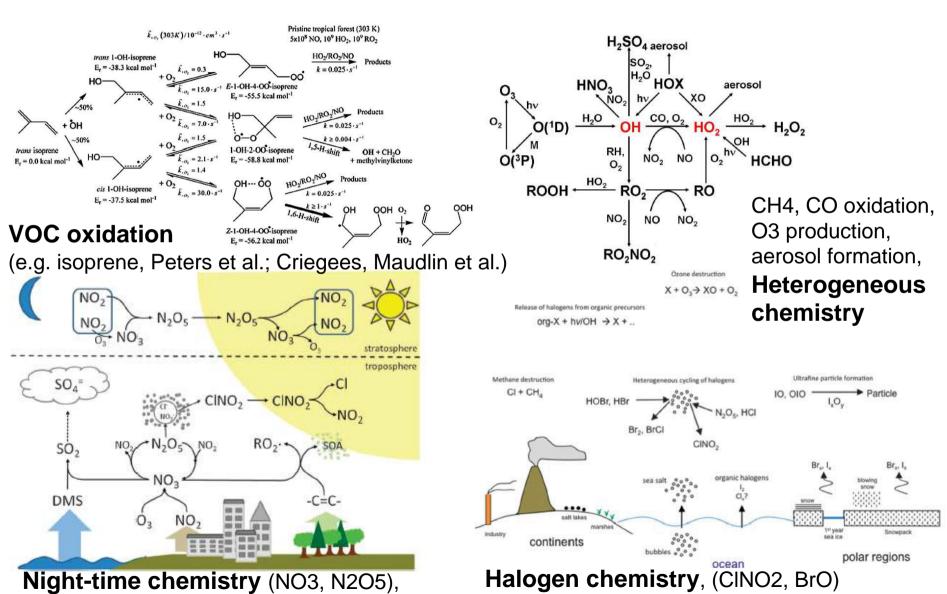


Fig. 3. Number of days when daily maximum 8 h average  $O_3$  concentration >  $100 \,\mu g \, m^{-3}$  during the June to July period in 2006 for (i) "reference", (ii) "no stress" and (iii) "stress" scenarios.

# ozone thresholds – chronic impacts even at low concs (< 35 ppbv)

#### **Missing Processes?**



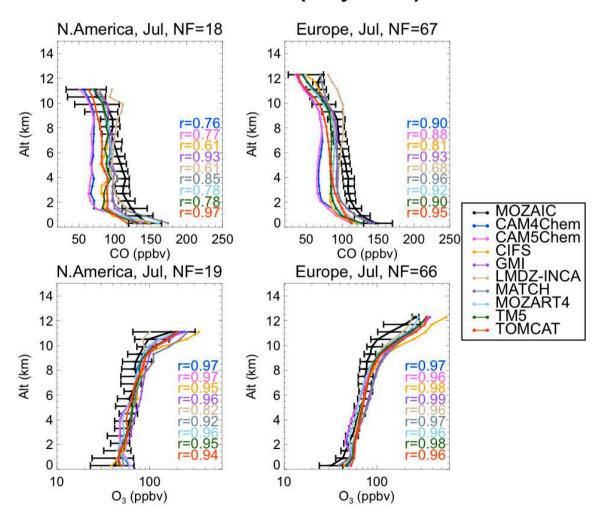
Brown & Stutz (2012)

Halogen chemistry, (CINO2, BrO) Saiz-Lopez & von Glasow (2012)



#### POLMIP: POLARCAT Model Inter-comparison Project

#### Models vs MOZAIC (July 2008)



**Transport of ozone and precursors to the Arctic:** 

9 global models + WRF-Chem

Low biases in CO over source regions & Arctic driven by OH biases at mid-latitudes (+ vertical transport biases)

High ozone bias over source regions in UT (stratospheric ozone flux)

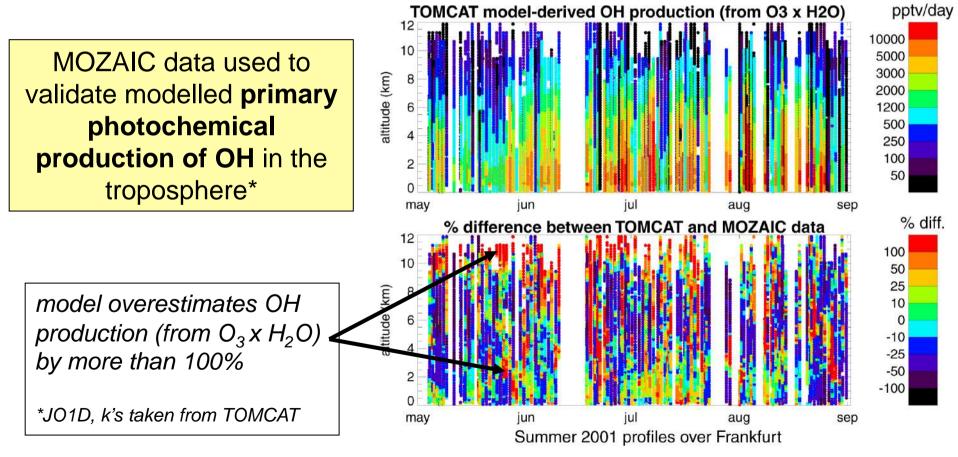
Monks et al. (2014), Arnold et al. (2014)





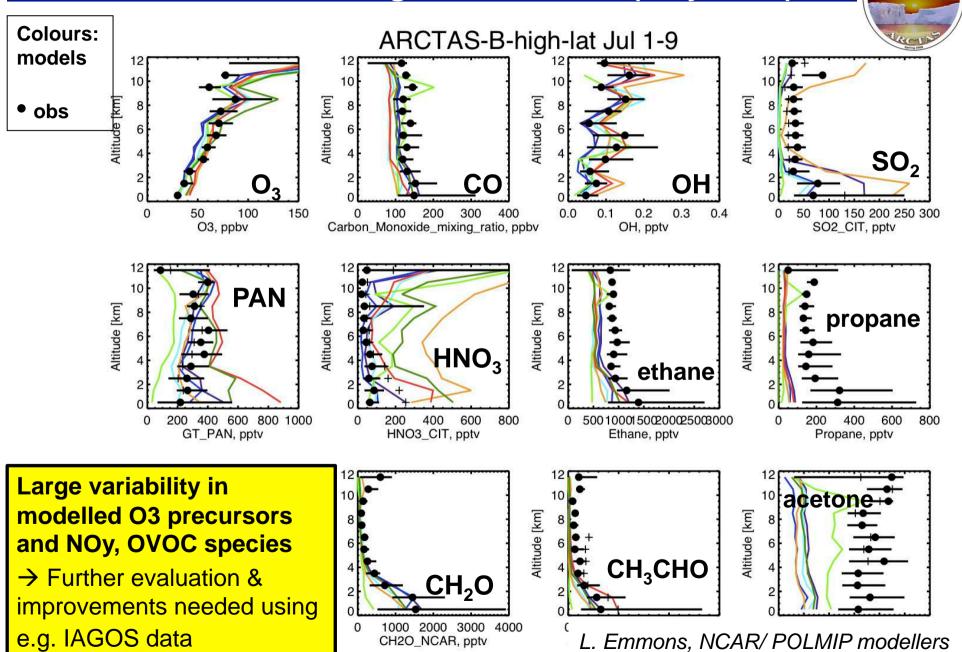
# Global Oxidising Capacity = OH concentration

OH radicals control the lifetimes of many greenhouse gases (CH<sub>4</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, HCFCs)

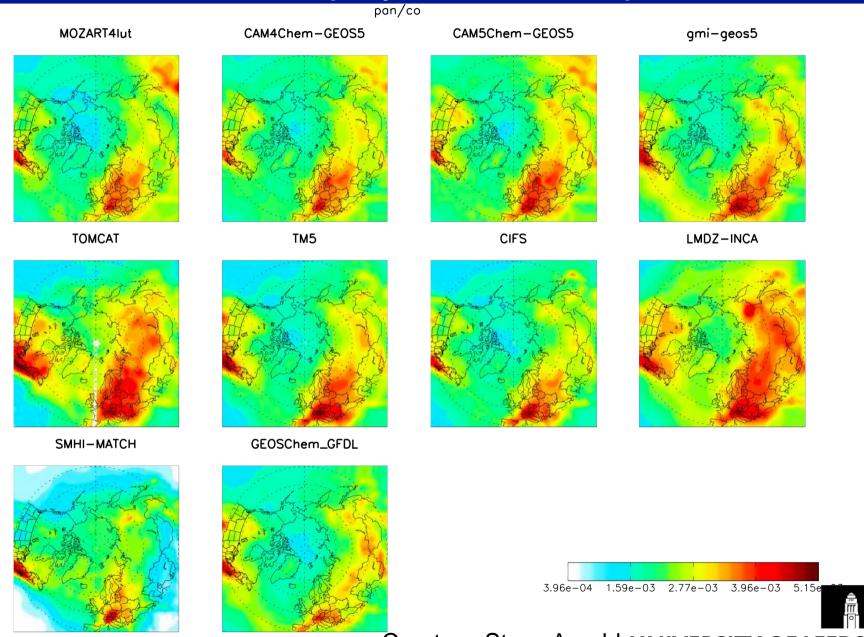


Crowther, Law, Pyle, et al, CORSAIRE meeting at Airbus (2002!!)

#### POLMIP: evaluation using ARCTAS data (July 2008)

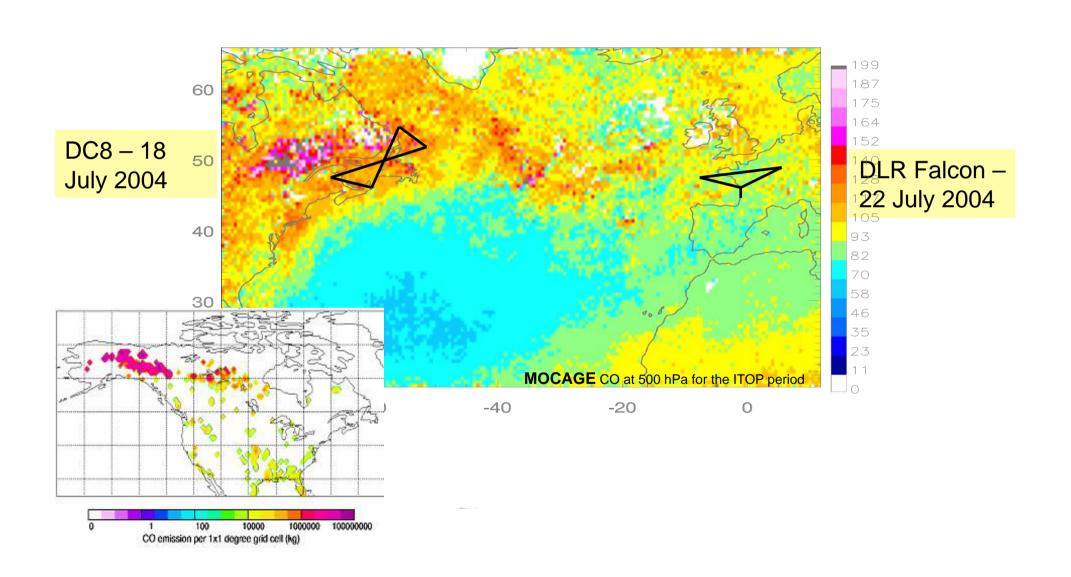


#### **POLMIP Model PAN:CO (July, column ratios)**

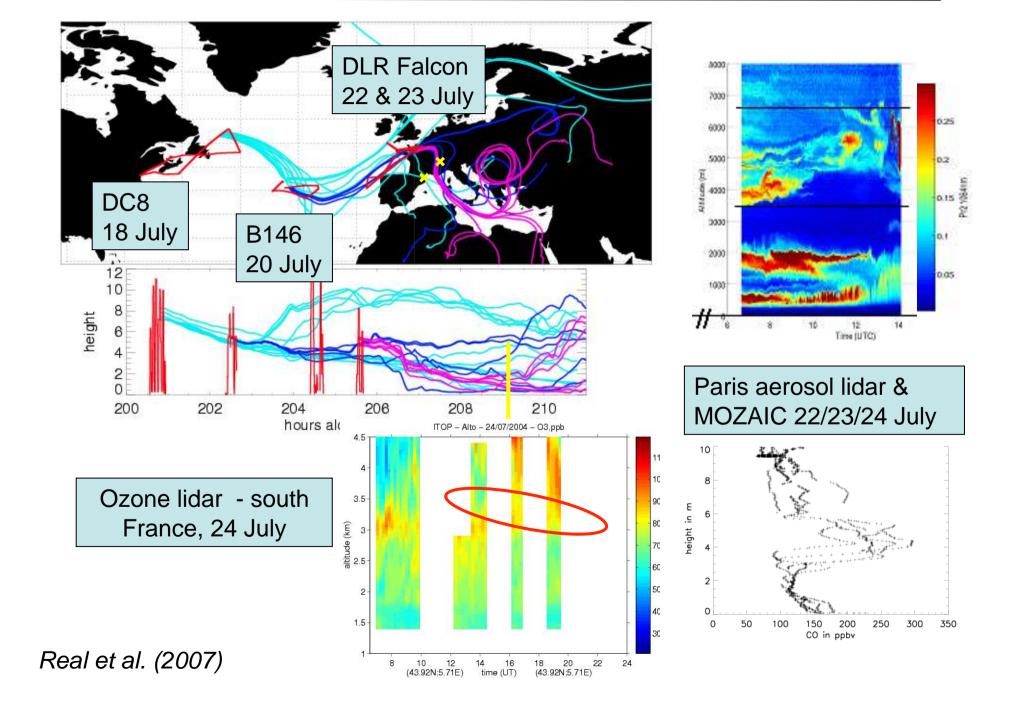


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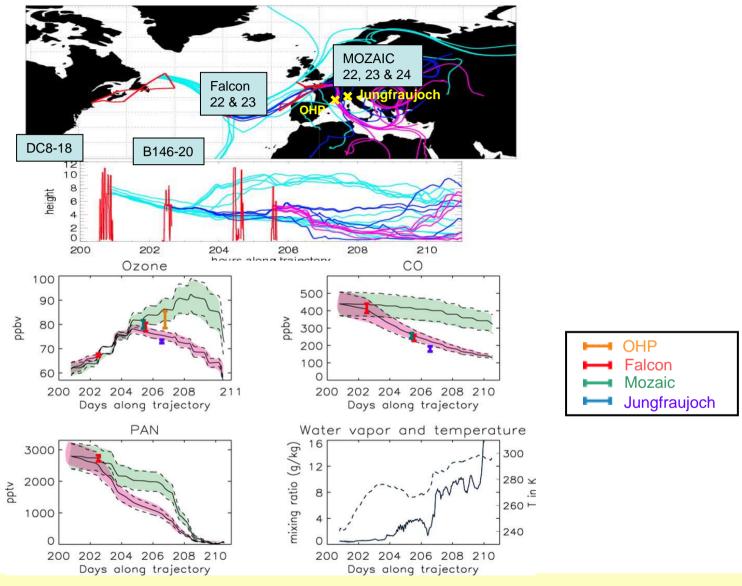
# Plume processing: Alaskan Forest Fire Plume (July 2004)



#### ICARTT Lagrangian Analysis: Import of Alaskan FF plume into European PBL



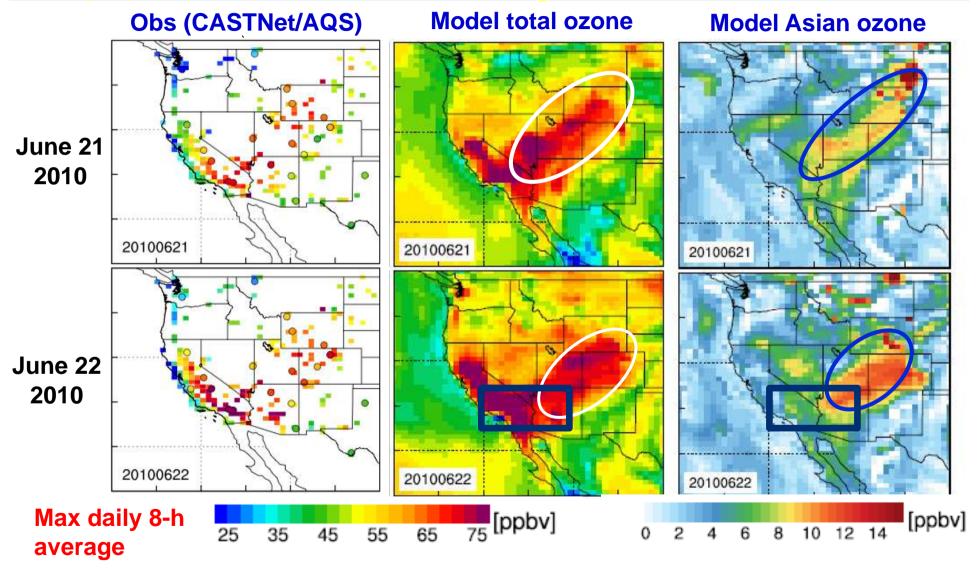
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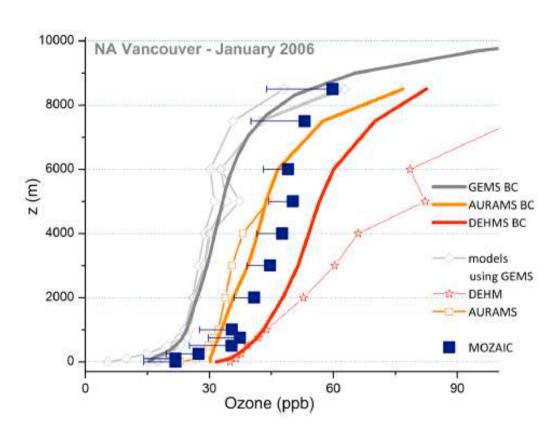
Net production during 8 days + net ozone import into European PBL

(Real et al., 2007) – Photochemical Lagrangian calculations

# Asian pollution contributing to high surface O<sub>3</sub> events, Implication for attainment of tighter standards in WUS



## Importance of Ozone Import



14 regional models:12 used GEMS boundary conditions& run using same emissions

#### Winter (western N. America)

- Systematic low biases in ozone boundary conditions from global models lead to underestimation of regional model ozone at the surface
- Significant penetration of signal into the regional model domain

#### **Summer**

 Biases in FT ozone during summer but not affecting surface O3 (large biases)

AQMEII: Solazzo et al. (2013)

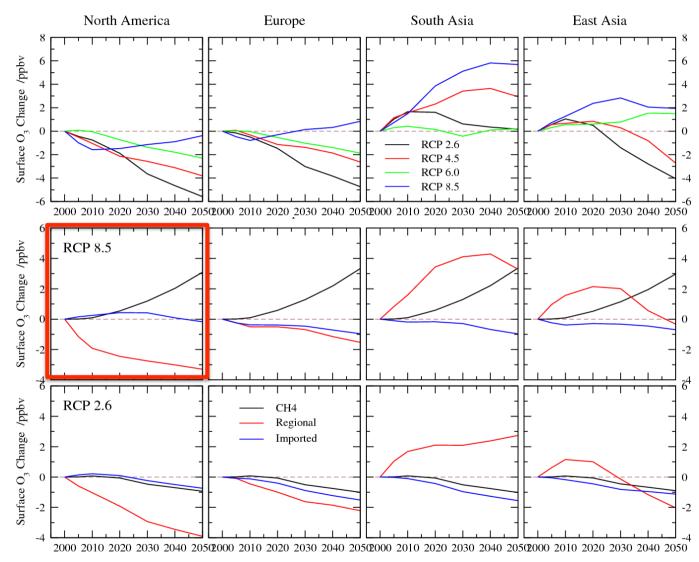
Linearized results of 6 models (Wild et al., 2012):

### Role of CH<sub>4</sub> in Future O<sub>3</sub> Scenarios

O<sub>3</sub> Change in 4 emission scenarios

CH<sub>4</sub>, Regional, & Imported Components of O<sub>3</sub> Change in "High" Scenario

Components of O<sub>3</sub> Change in "Low" Scenario



 $CH_4$  is an important determinant of future  $O_3$  levels, offsetting benefits of regional controls.

#### **Hemispheric Ozone: Challenges**

- Hemispheric ozone (increasingly) important depends on local (AQ) versus hemispheric control (CLRTAP) (CH4) esp. as local emissions decrease and thresholds are lowered
- Ozone source attribution + trends understanding still incomplete (datasets like IAGOS invaluable)
- **Pollutant import** much less well evaluated → focused area of research (high time resolution vertical profiles, e.g. on regional carriers ...)