

# The treatment of the energetic particles in chemistry-climate models

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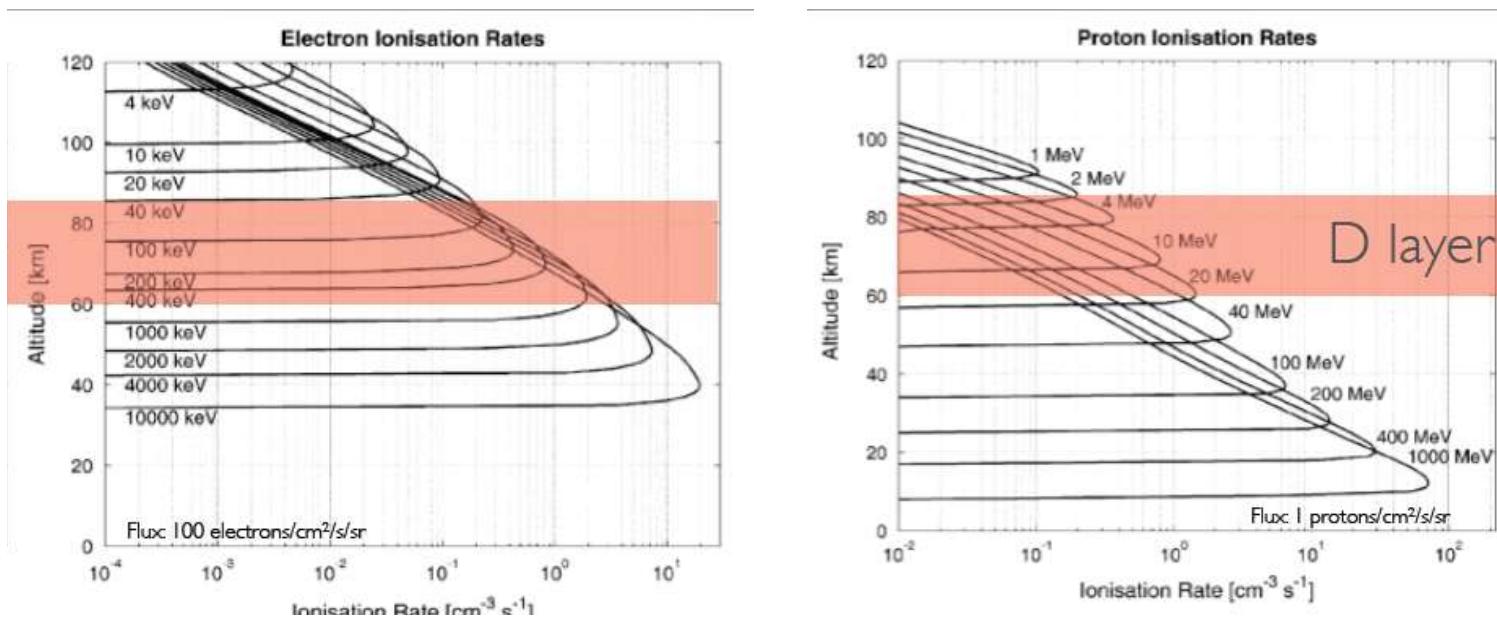
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# Particle classification

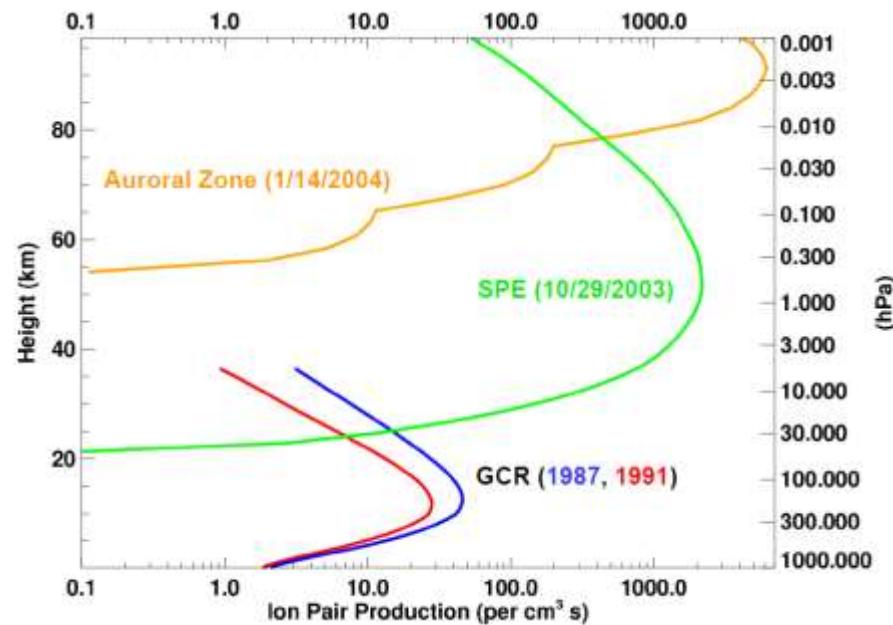
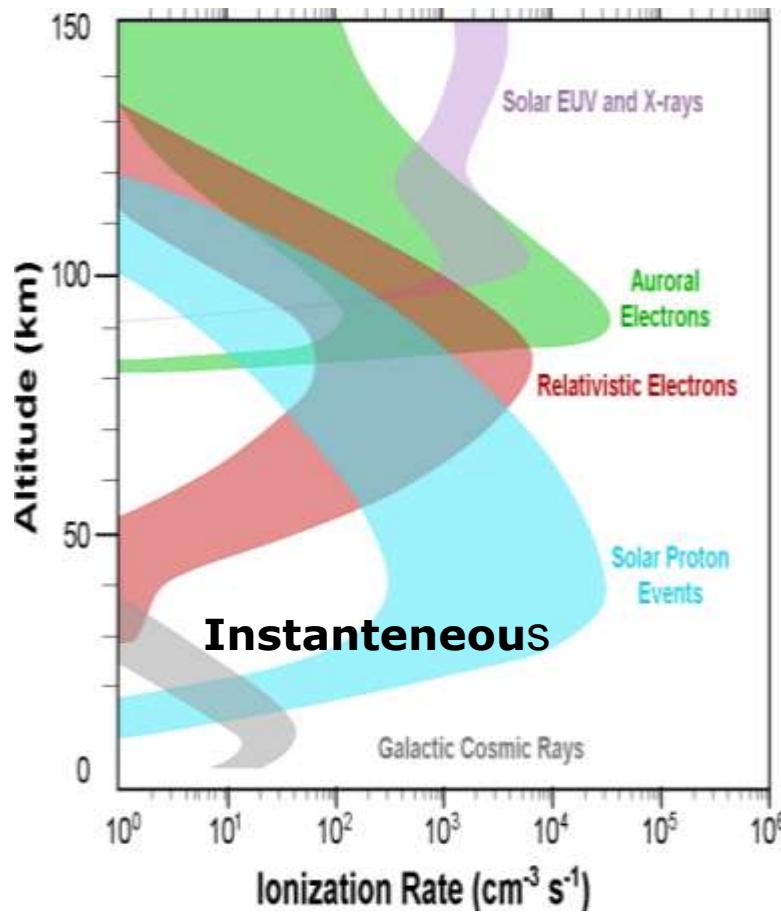
- Cosmic Rays
- Solar energetic particles (protons) up to 500 MeV
- Radiation belt electrons ( ~30 keV – several MeV)
- Discrete and diffuse auroral electrons (~ 0.1 – 30 keV)

# Particle classification



Turunen et al., 2009

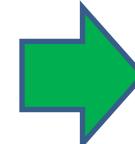
# Types of precipitating energetic particles based on energy deposition altitude



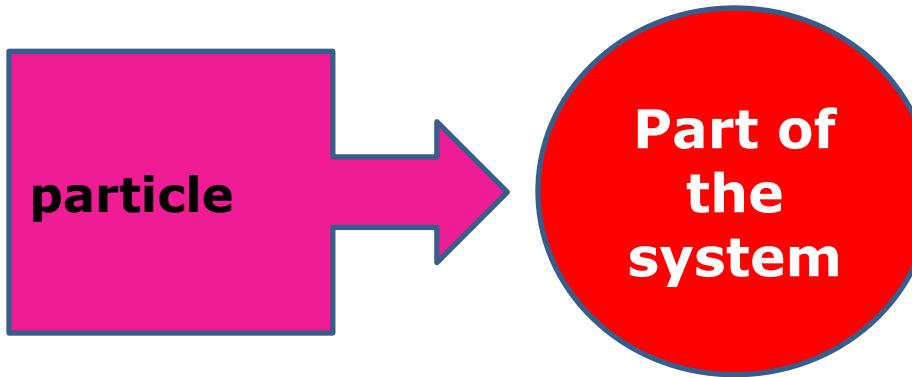
Semeniuk et al.,  
2011

Courtesy of Ch. Jackman

# The effects of energetic particles (**chemical route!**)

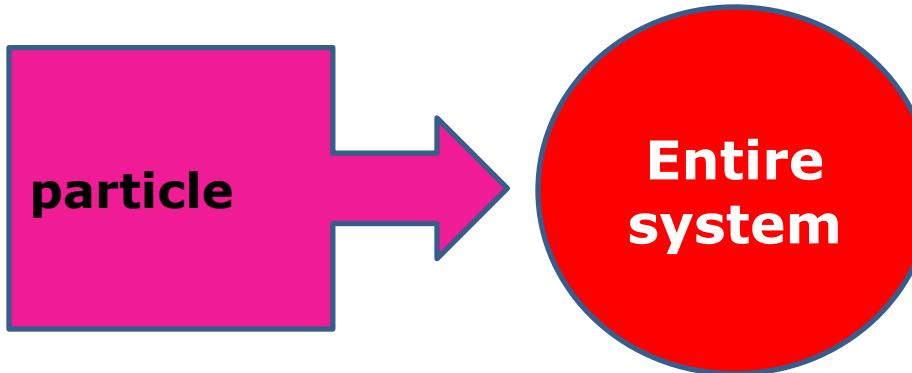
- Primary effects
  - Direct effects via chemistry
  - Indirect effects via:  
transport  
chemistry  
temperature  
circulation
- 
- Climate  
(temperature,  
precipitation,  
ozone, ...)

# Direct response



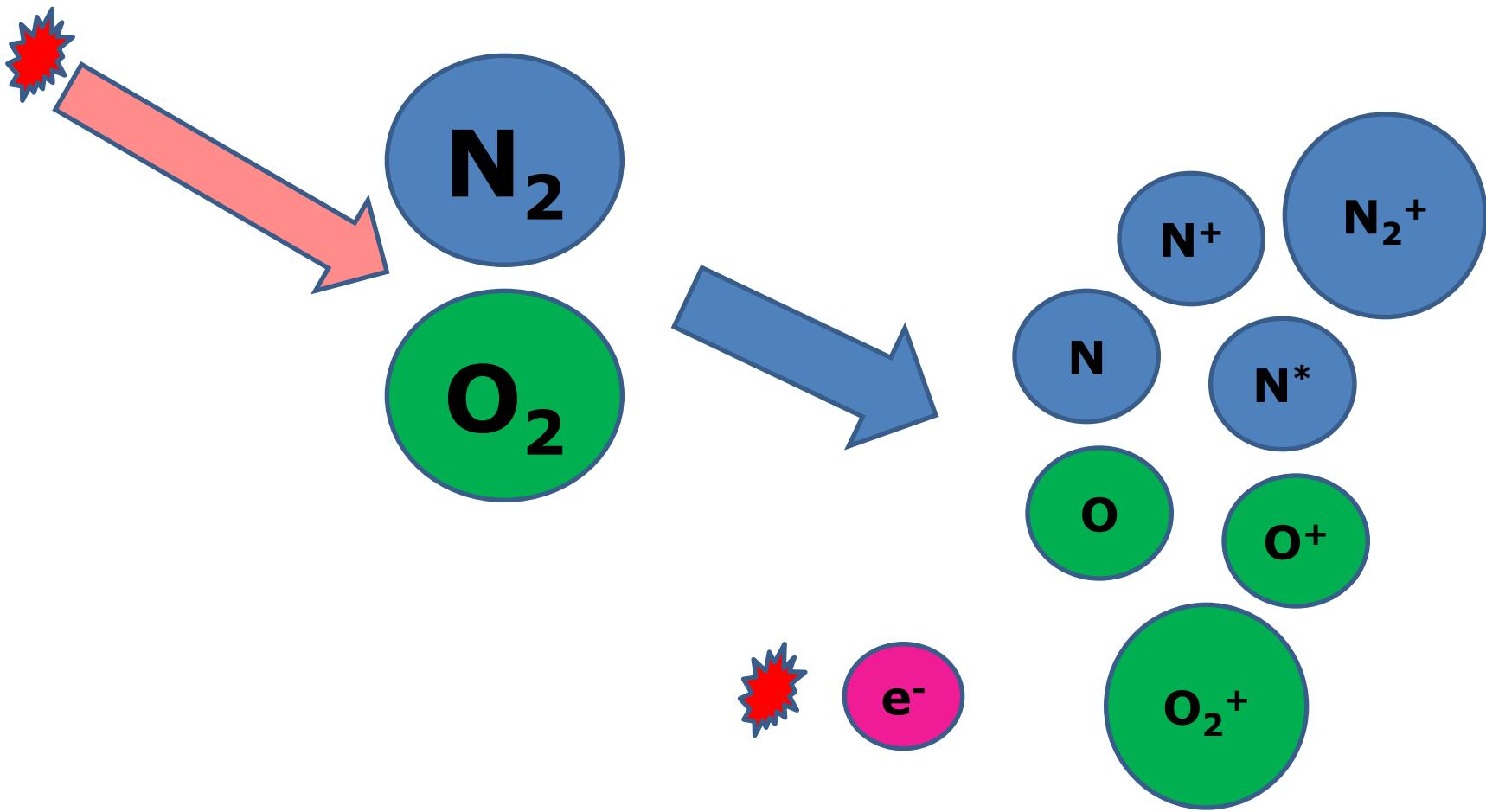
Short time scales  
High signal/noise  
Useful for model validation

# Indirect response

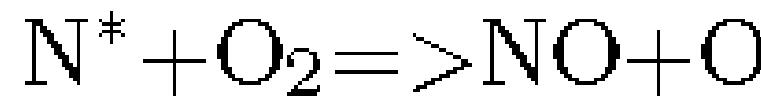
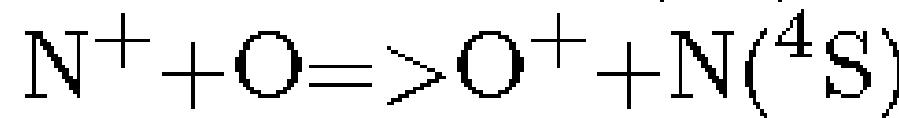
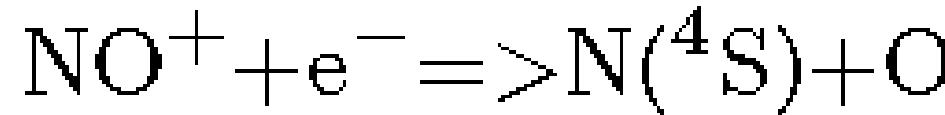
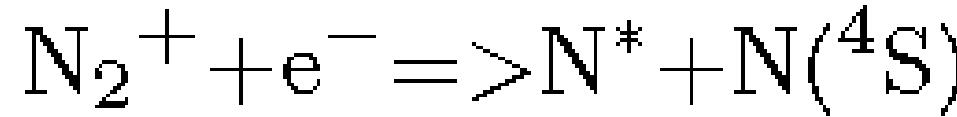
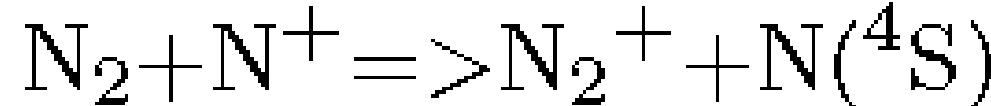


Long time scales  
Lower signal/noise  
Difficult to analyze  
Important for the outcome

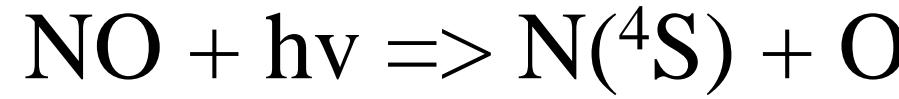
# Primary effects of energetic particles



# NO<sub>x</sub> production/destruction



But

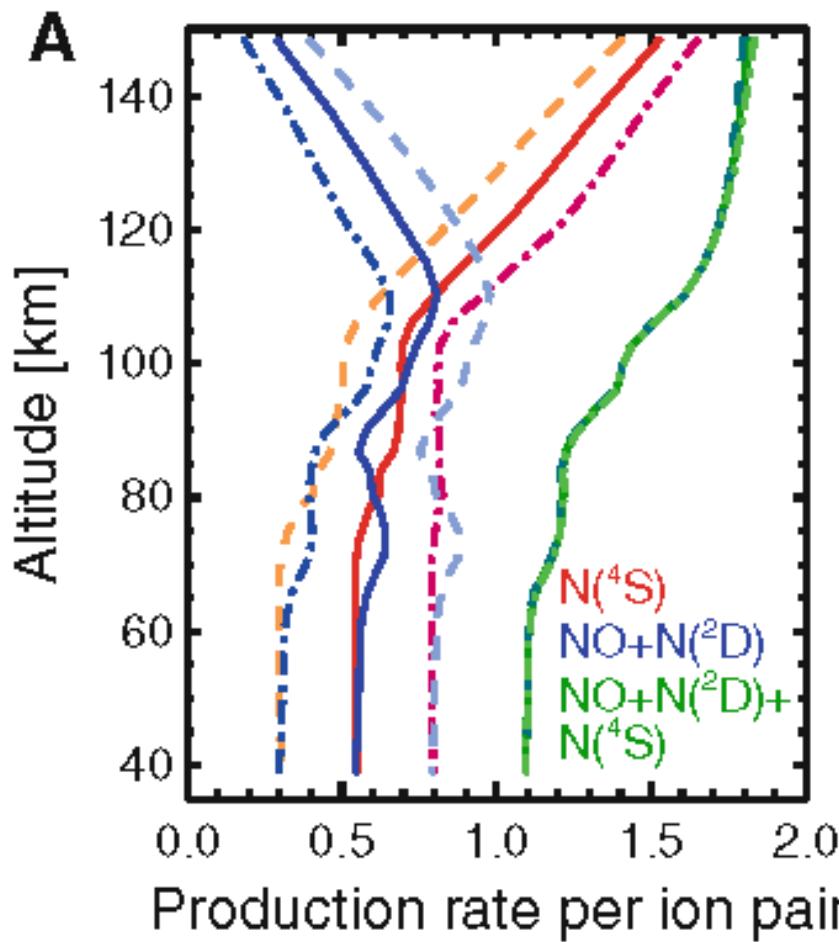


N(⁴S)/N\* ?!

# NOx production

Widely used parameterization:

Production by SP and RBE is  $0.7 \text{ N}^*$  and  $0.55 \text{ N}(^4\text{S})$  per Ion Pair

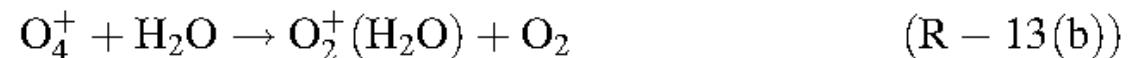


$\text{N}(^4\text{S})/\text{N}^* ?!$

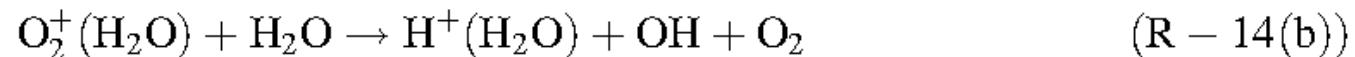
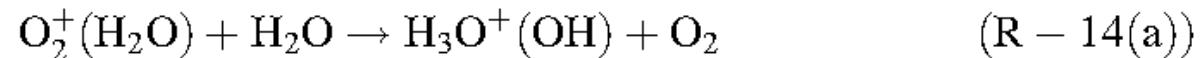
From Sinnhuber, 2012  
BIC model

# HO<sub>x</sub> production by energetic particles

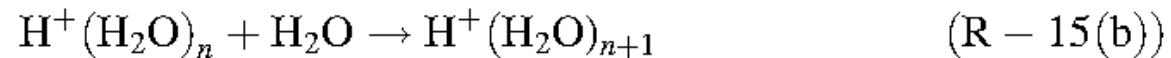
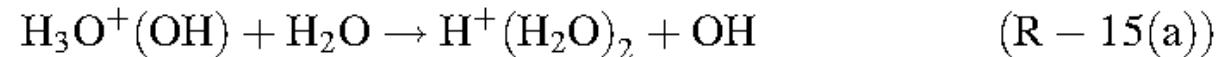
Ionization by particles below 90 km leads to the enhancement of HOx via



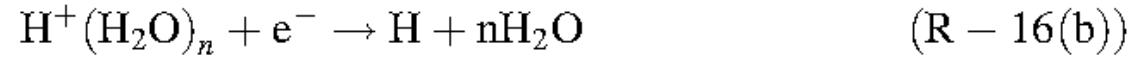
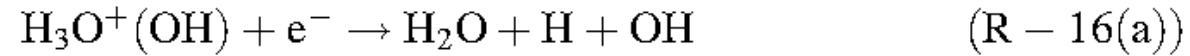
Larger cluster ions can then be formed by reaction pathways like:



Those can then be followed by the formation of larger protonised water cluster ions, like



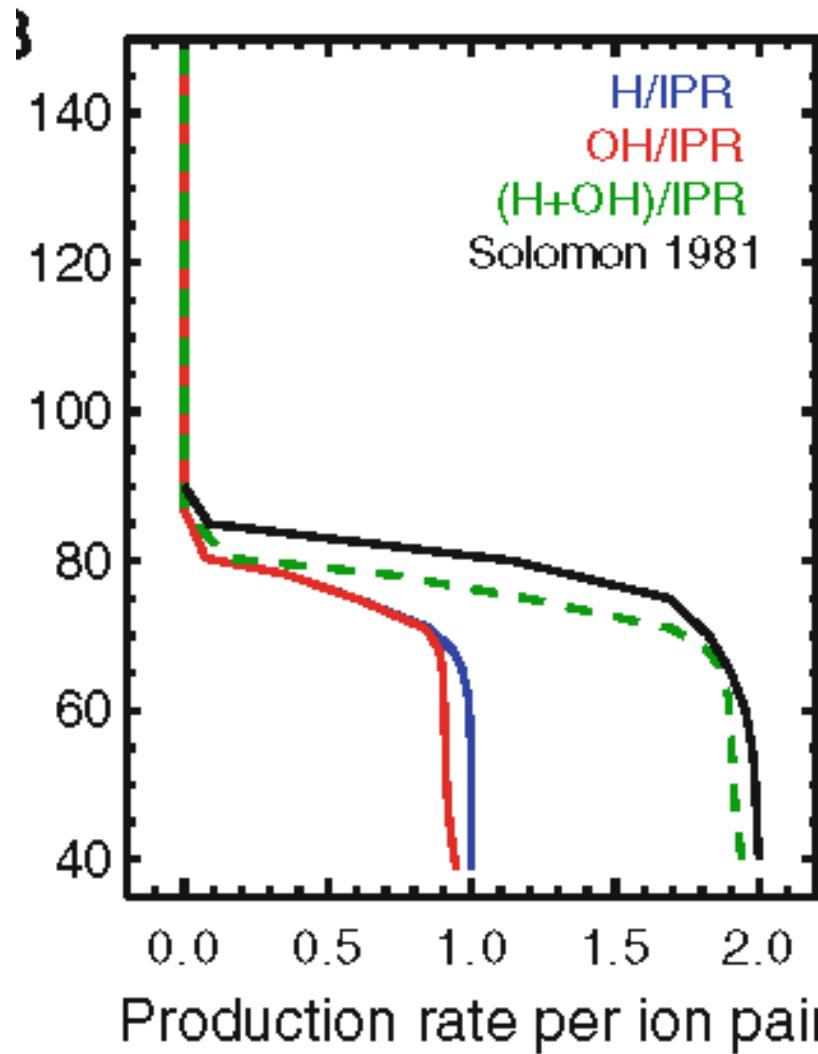
During all these reaction chains, recombination reactions with electrons can take place:



# HO<sub>x</sub> production

Widely used parameterization:

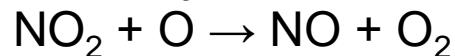
Production by SP and RBE is up to 2 HO<sub>x</sub> per Ion Pair



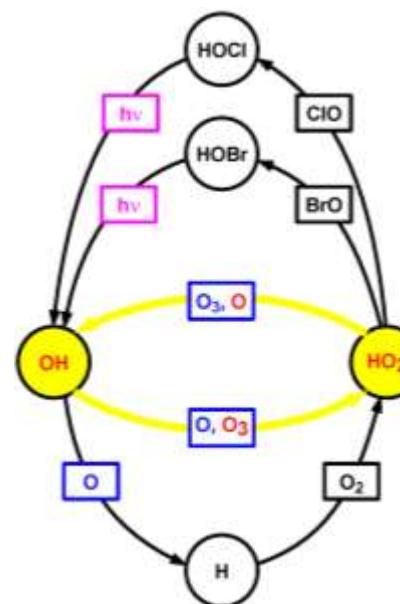
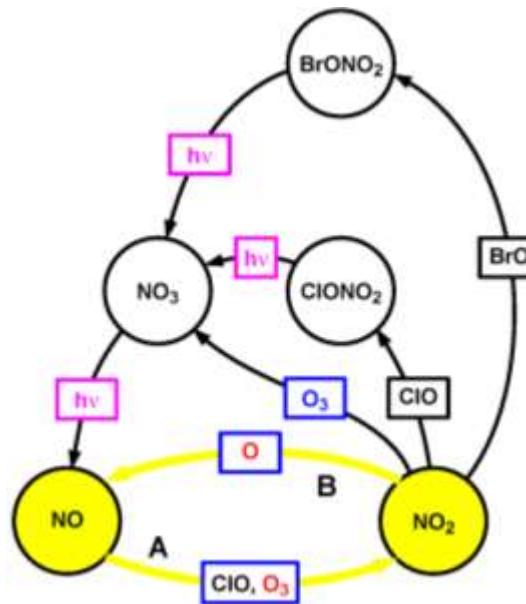
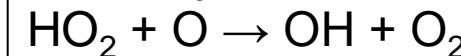
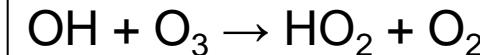
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BIC model

# Ozone depletion by NOx and HOx

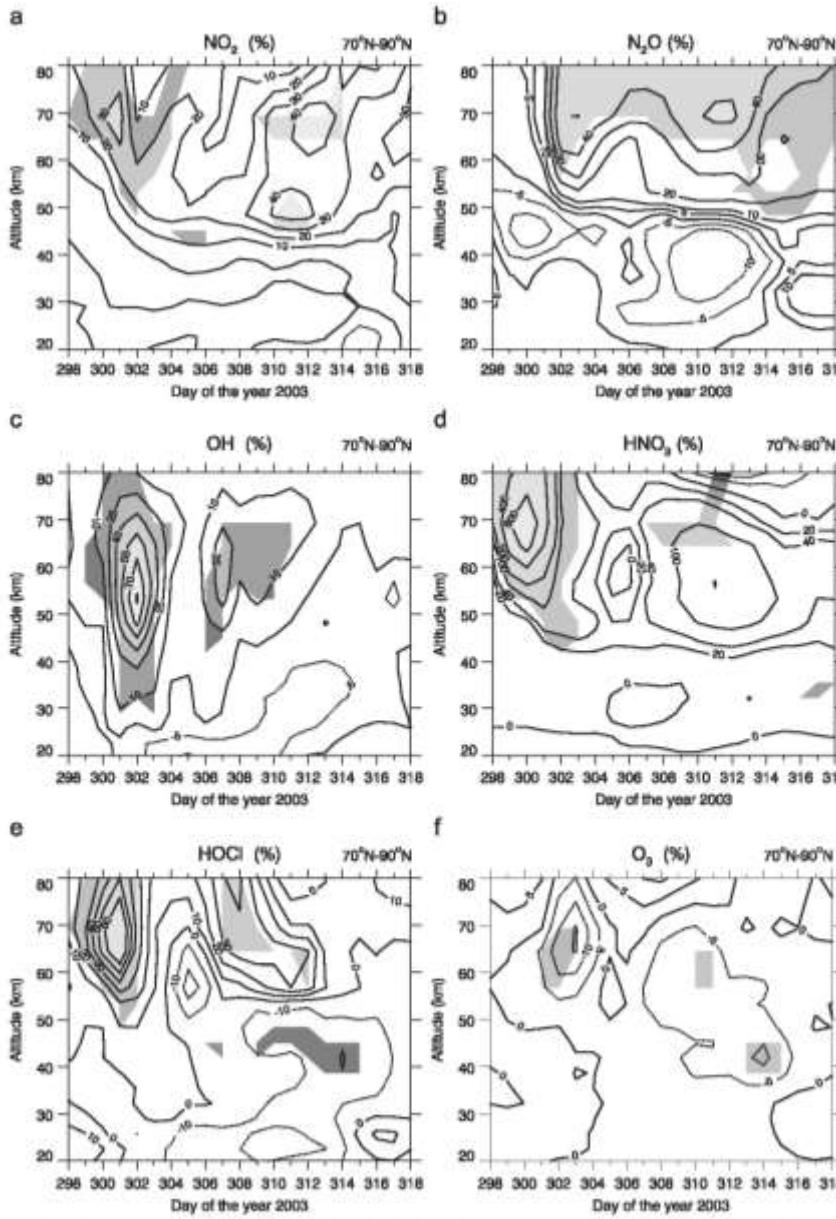
Nitrogen:



Hydrogen:



# NO<sub>x</sub> and HO<sub>x</sub> production



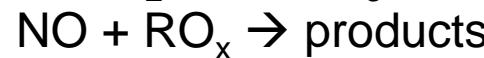
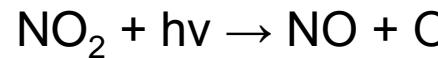
e-altitude distribution of the difference (%) between experiments with complete and parameterized ion chemistry after October 2003 SPE for and HNO<sub>3</sub> (d), HOCl (e) and O<sub>3</sub> (f). The shades of gray show where the signal is statistically significant at more than 95% confidence level.

Widely used  
parameterization  
(0.7 N\* + 0.55 N(<sup>4</sup>S) + up  
to 2 HOx per Ion Pair)

against

complete ion chemistry  
CCM SOCOL (Egorova  
et al., 2011)

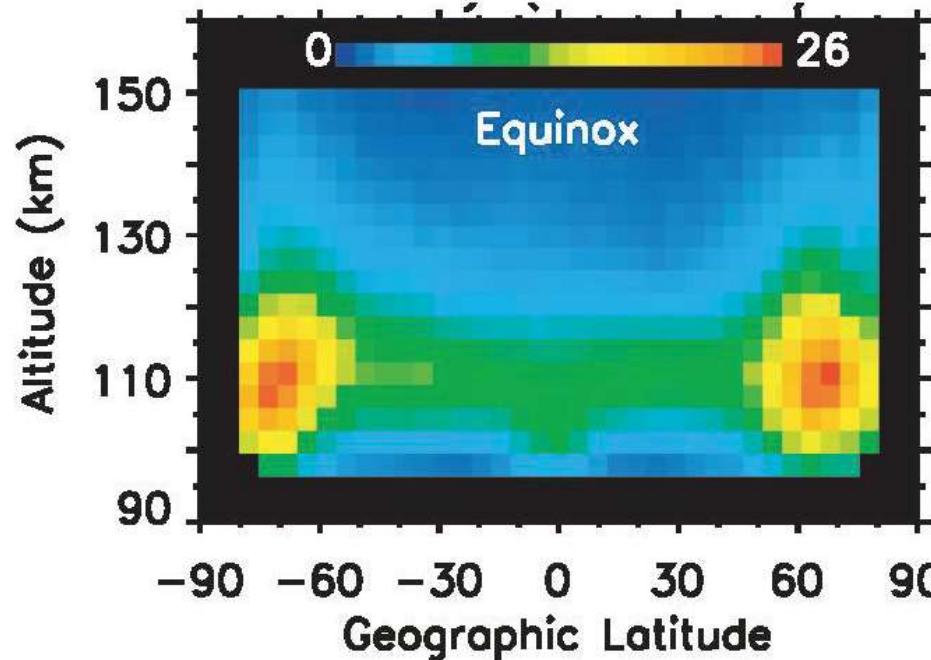
# Ozone enhancement by NO<sub>x</sub>



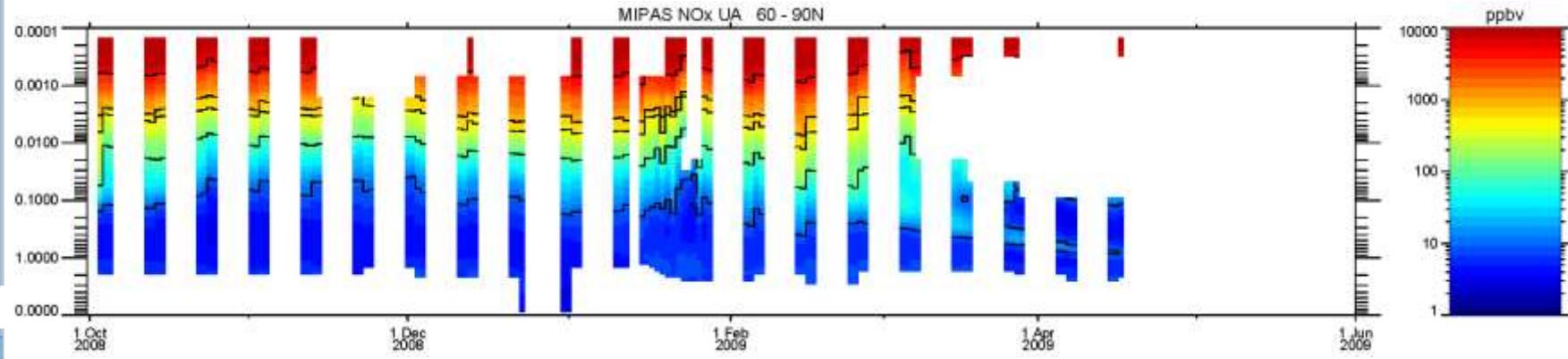
Works in the troposphere where NO<sub>x</sub> are available and NO<sub>x</sub> are limited.

Relevant to GCR

# Observations of the auroral electrons direct effects

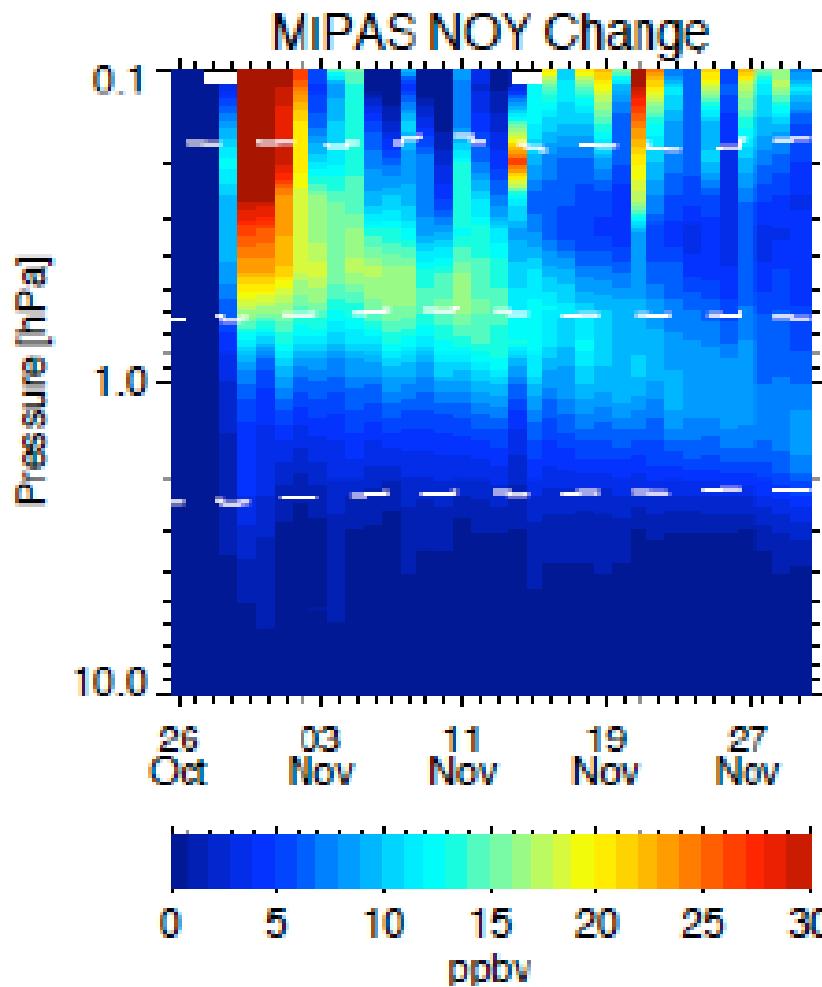


NO ( $10^7 \text{ cm}^3$ ) measured by SNOE instrument. From Barth et al. (2003).

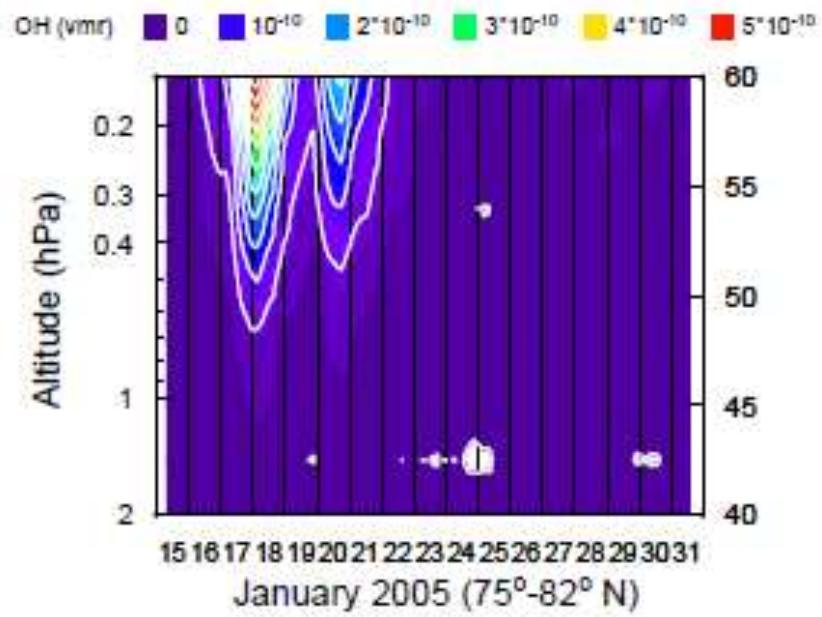


NO<sub>x</sub> (ppbv) from MIPAS. HEPPA-2, Courtesy of B. Funke

# Observations of the solar protons direct effects

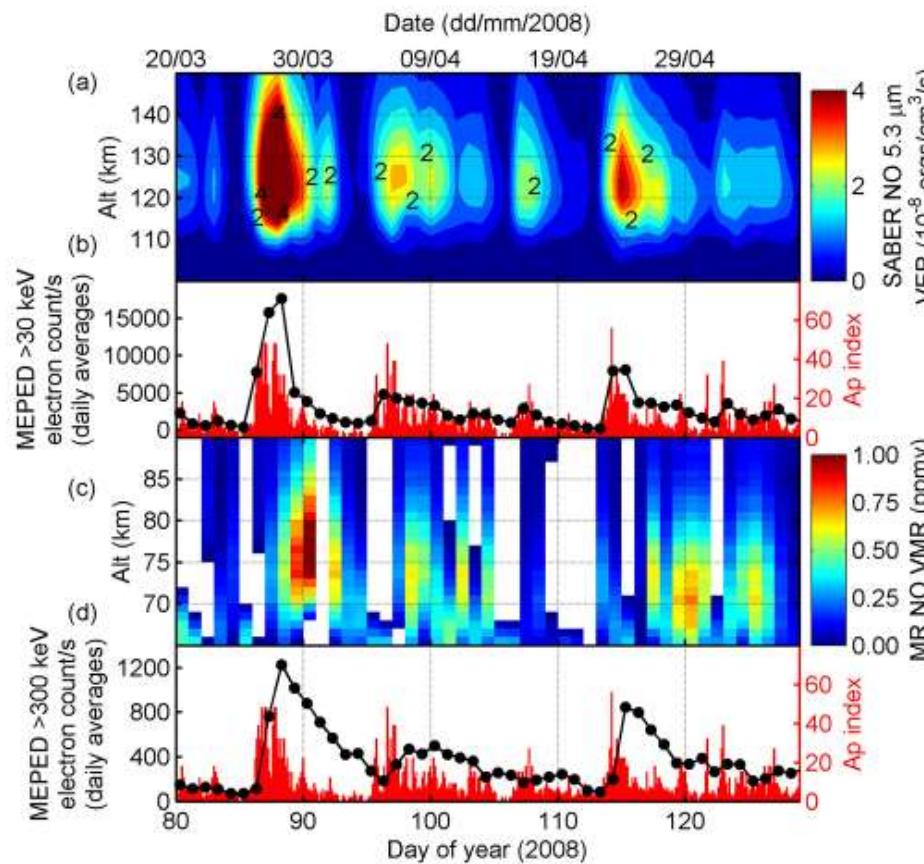


From Funke et al., 2011  
October 2003 SPE

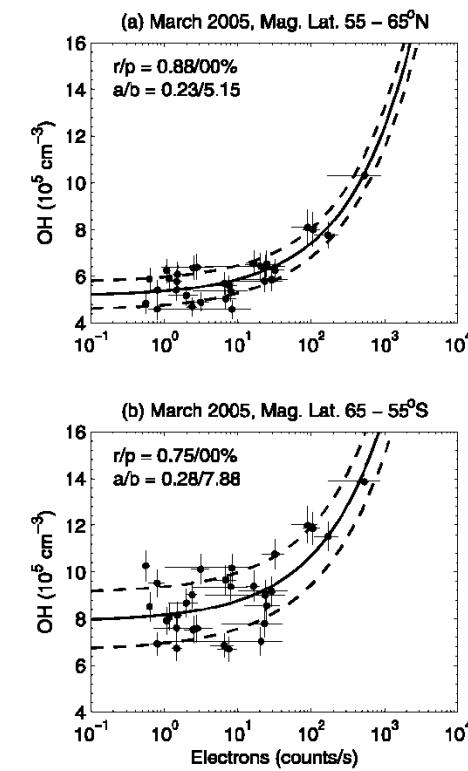


From Damiani et al., 2008  
January 2005 SPE

# Observations of the RBE direct effects



From Newnham et al., 2011



From Verronen et al., 2011

# Treatment of the direct EP effects in CCMs (**WACCM**/**HAMMONIA**)

- Model top at **130/250 km**
- Simplified ion chemsity,  $e^-$  and major ions ( $N_2^+$ ,  $N^+$ ,  $O_2^+$  and  $O^+$ ) => works only above 90 km
- Ionization rates are based on **K<sub>p</sub> index/AIMOS**
- Production by SP and RBE is 0.7  $N^*$ , 0.55  $N(^4S)$  and 2xHO<sub>x</sub> per ion pair; valid below mesopause

# Treatment of the direct EP effects in CCMs (**CMAM**)

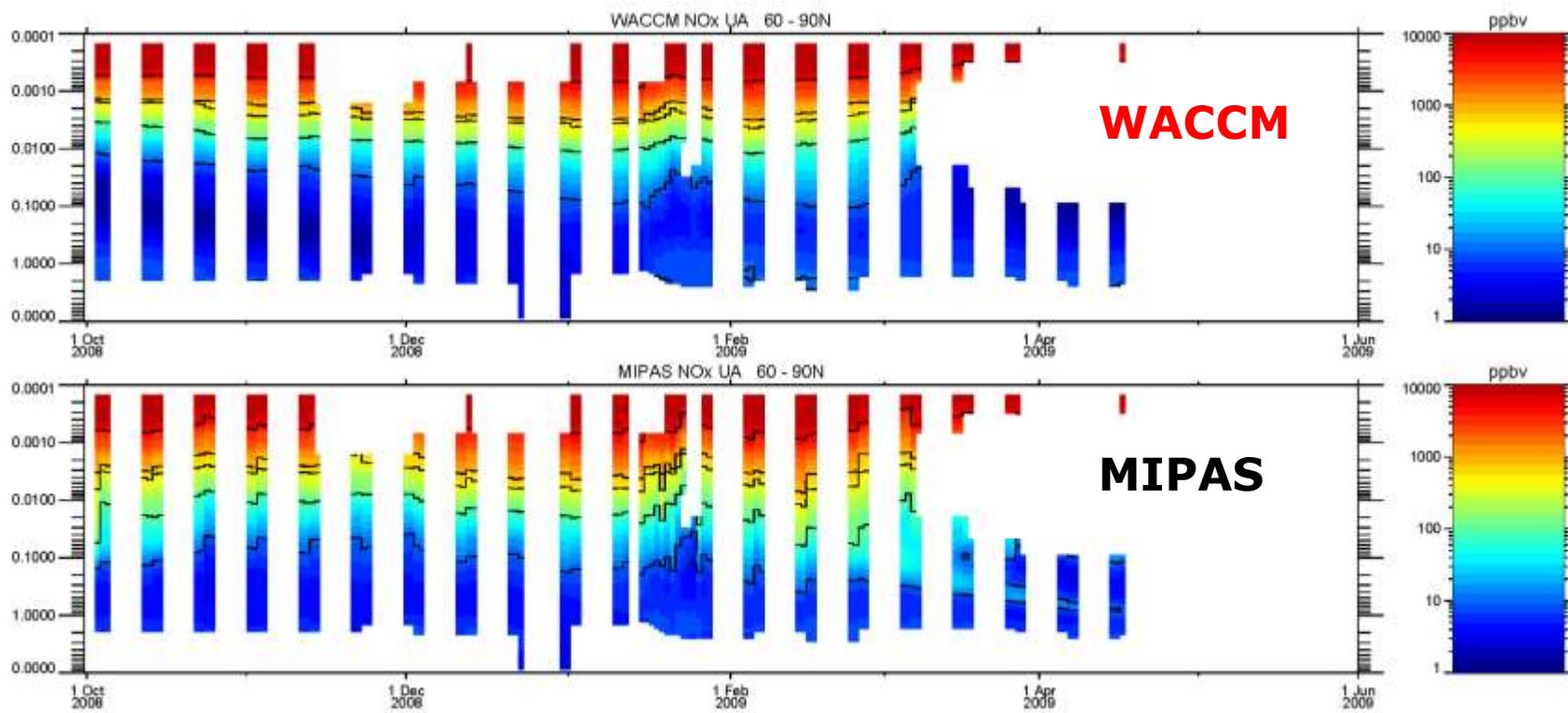
- Model top at 90 km
- Production by SP and RBE is  $0.7 N^*$ ,  $0.55 N(^4S)$  and  $2xHO_x$  per ion pair; valid below mesopause
- Ionization rates from electrons (>30 KeV) are based on satellite data and energy deposition code
- No thermospheric  $NO_x$  production by auroral electrons (< 30 KeV)

# Treatment of the direct EP effects in CCMs (**EMAC, SOCOL**)

- Model top at 80 km
- Production by SP and RBE is  $0.7 N^*$ ,  $0.55 N(^4S)$  and  $2xHO_x$  per ion pair; valid below mesopause
- Ionization by electrons ( $> 30$  KeV) is absent

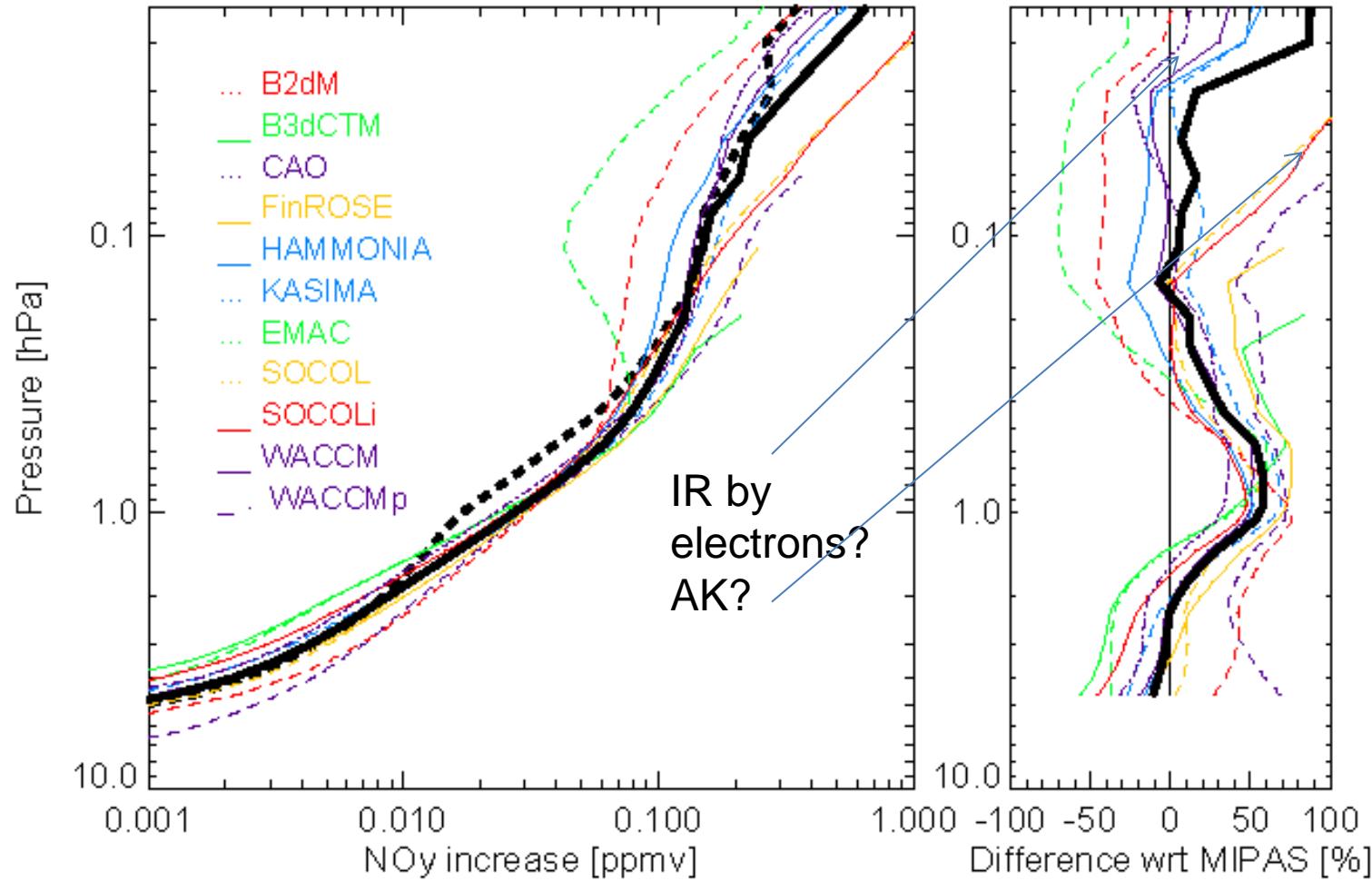
# Modeling of the auroral electrons direct effects

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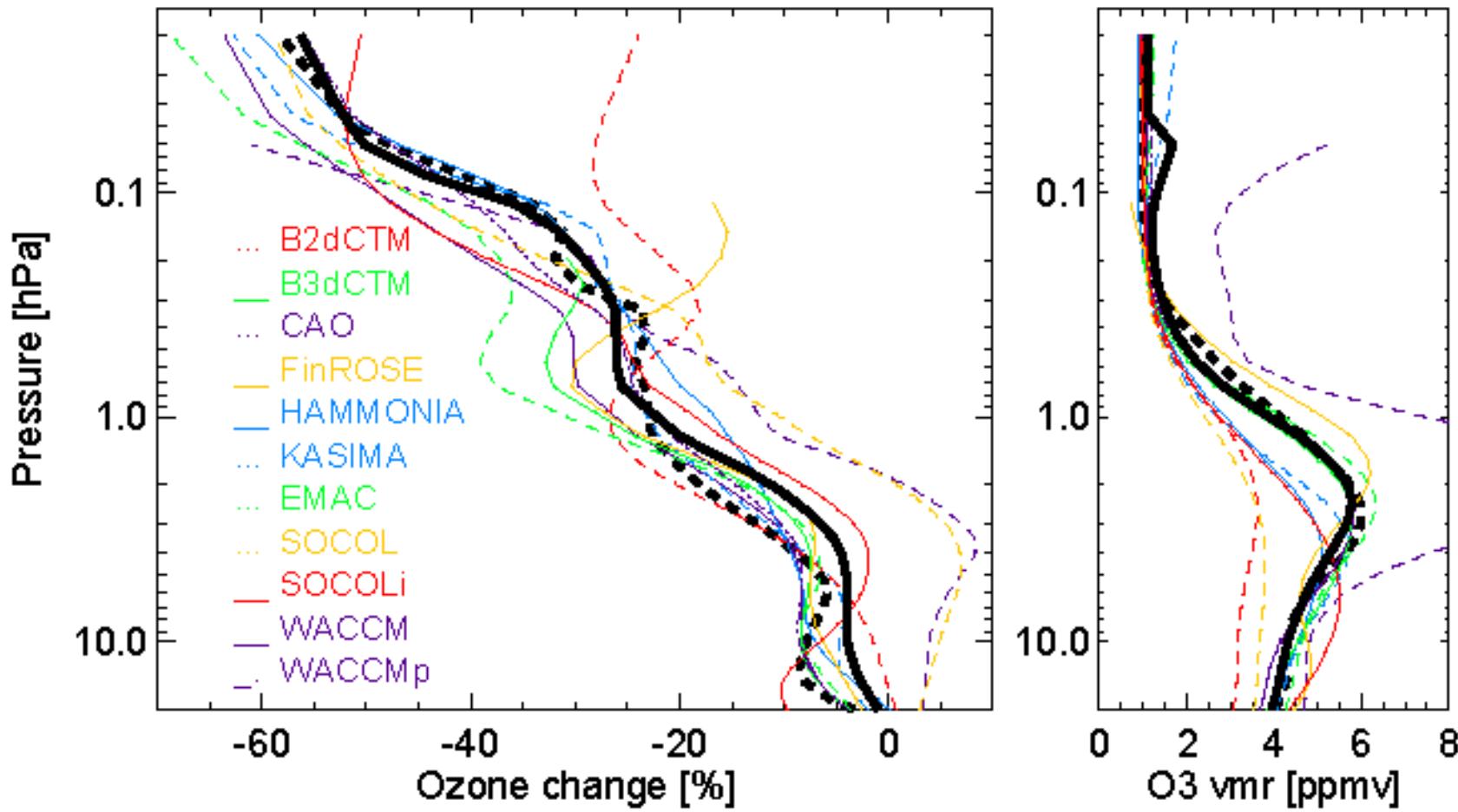
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# Modeling of the solar protons direct effects



Observed and modeled NO<sub>y</sub> enhancement during October 2003 SPE, 70–90°N, Funke et al., 2011

# Modeling of the solar protons direct effects



Observed and modeled  $O_3$  depletion during October 2003  
SPE, 70–90°N, Funke et al., 2011

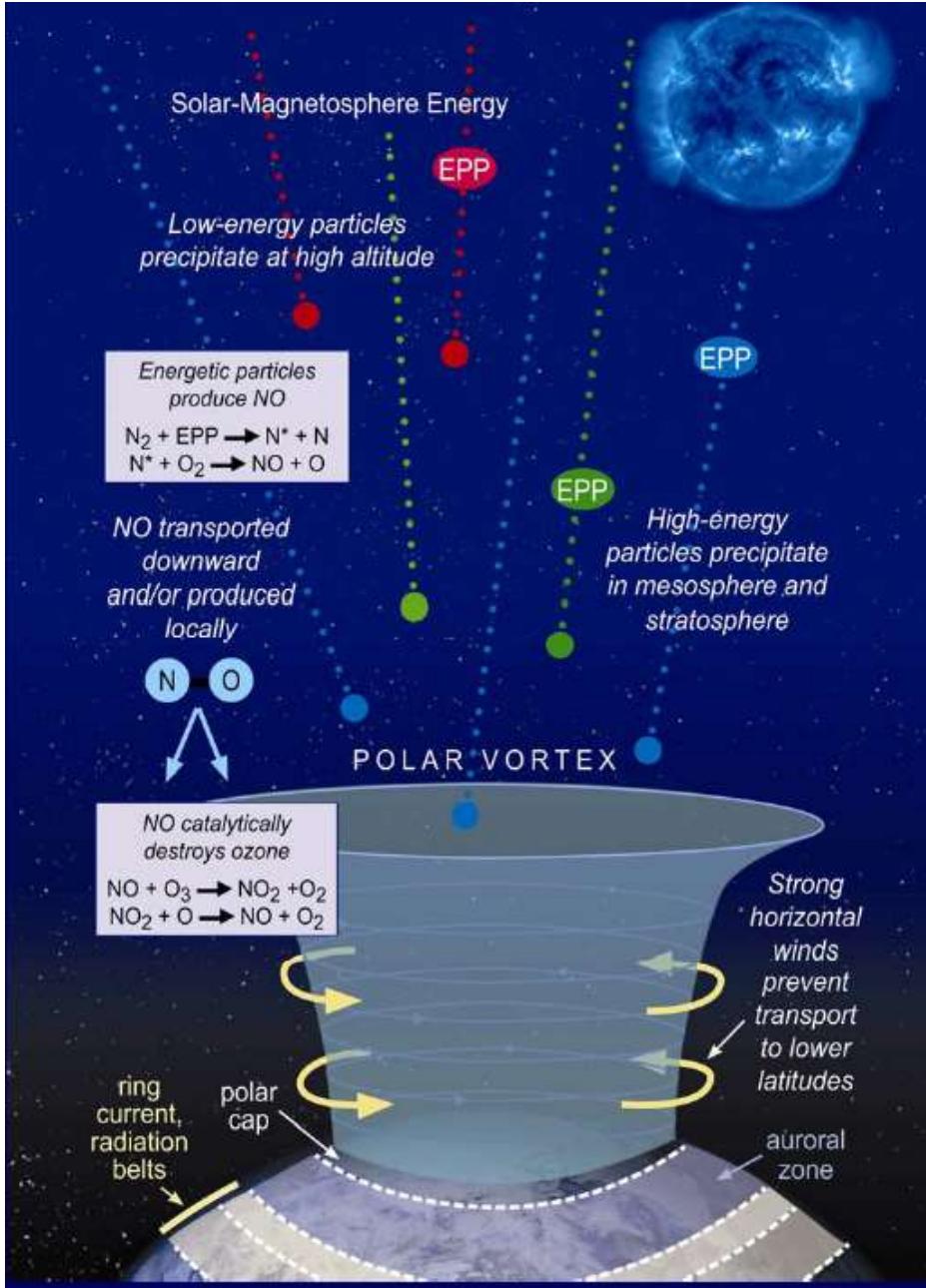
# Modeling of the RE direct effects

I could not find proper observation vis CCMs comparison.  
Possible but difficult due to poor knowledge of electron  
fluxes and IR.

# Modeling of the GCR direct effects

I could not find proper observation vis CCMs comparison.  
Could be possible to look at NOx in the polar UTLS after  
FD or GLE?

# Indirect effects via transport/chemistry



Baily et al., 2009

# Treatment of the auroral electrons in low top CCMs (EMAC, SOCOL)

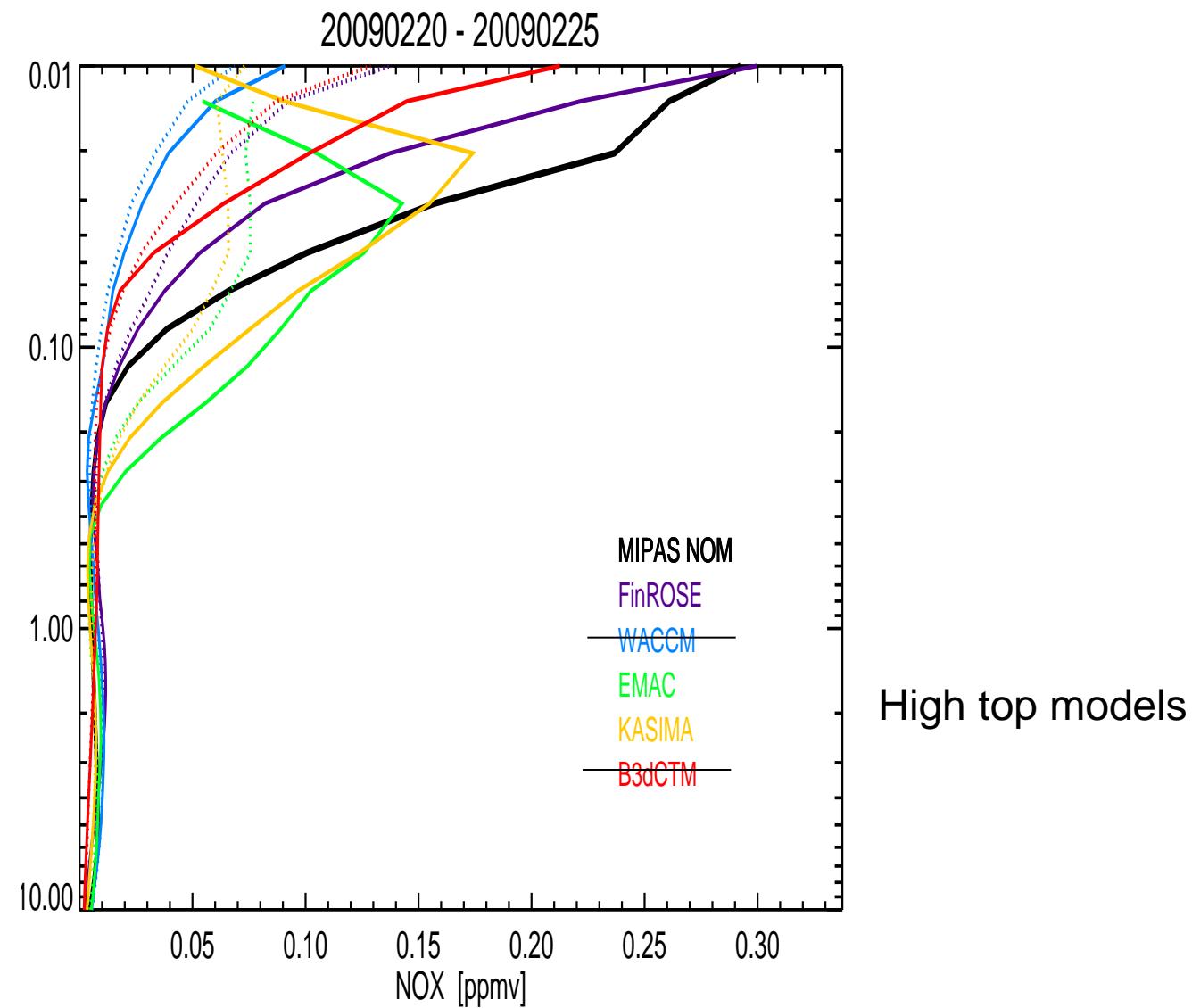
following time dependency was chosen:

$$F = A_p^{2.5} \cdot c \cdot 2.20 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \cdot \max(0.1, \cos(\pi/182.625 \cdot (d - 172.625))), \quad (4)$$

where  $d$  is day of year. This sinusoidal variation centered around solstice represents the minimum requirement of a seasonal variation with maximum in winter. The 10% flux

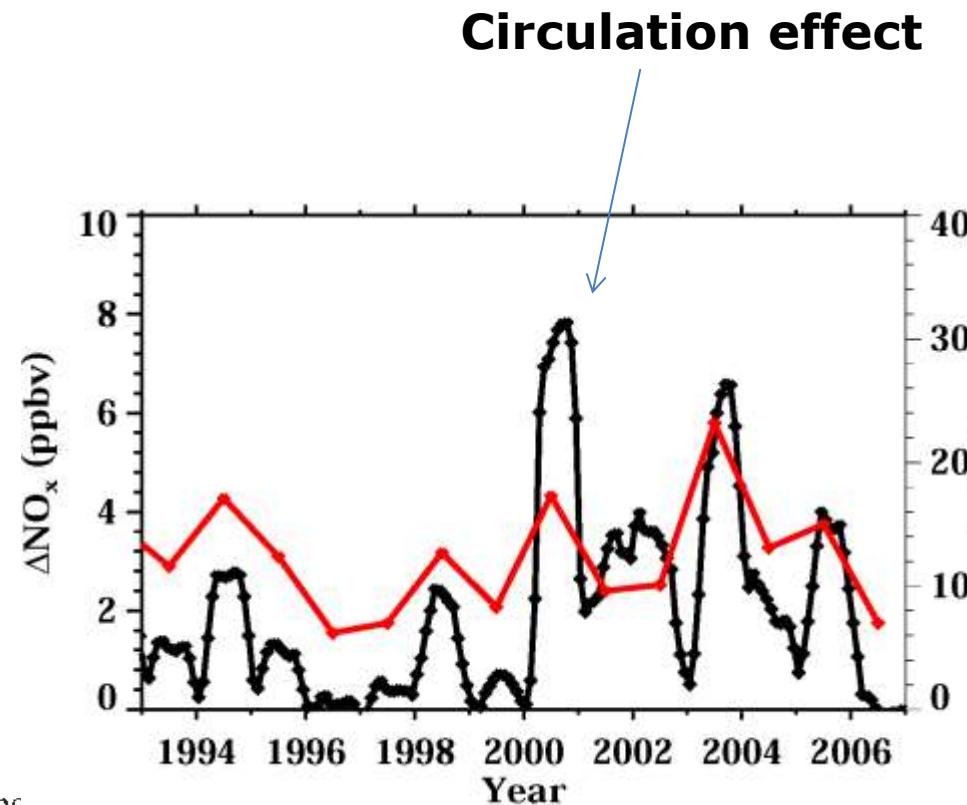
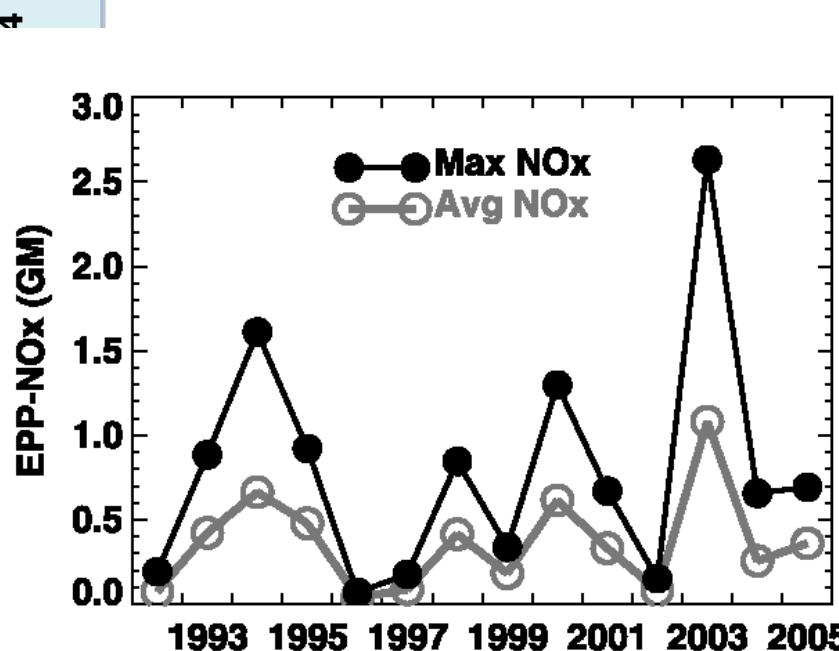
Baumgartner et al, 2009

# Modeling of the auroral electrons indirect effects



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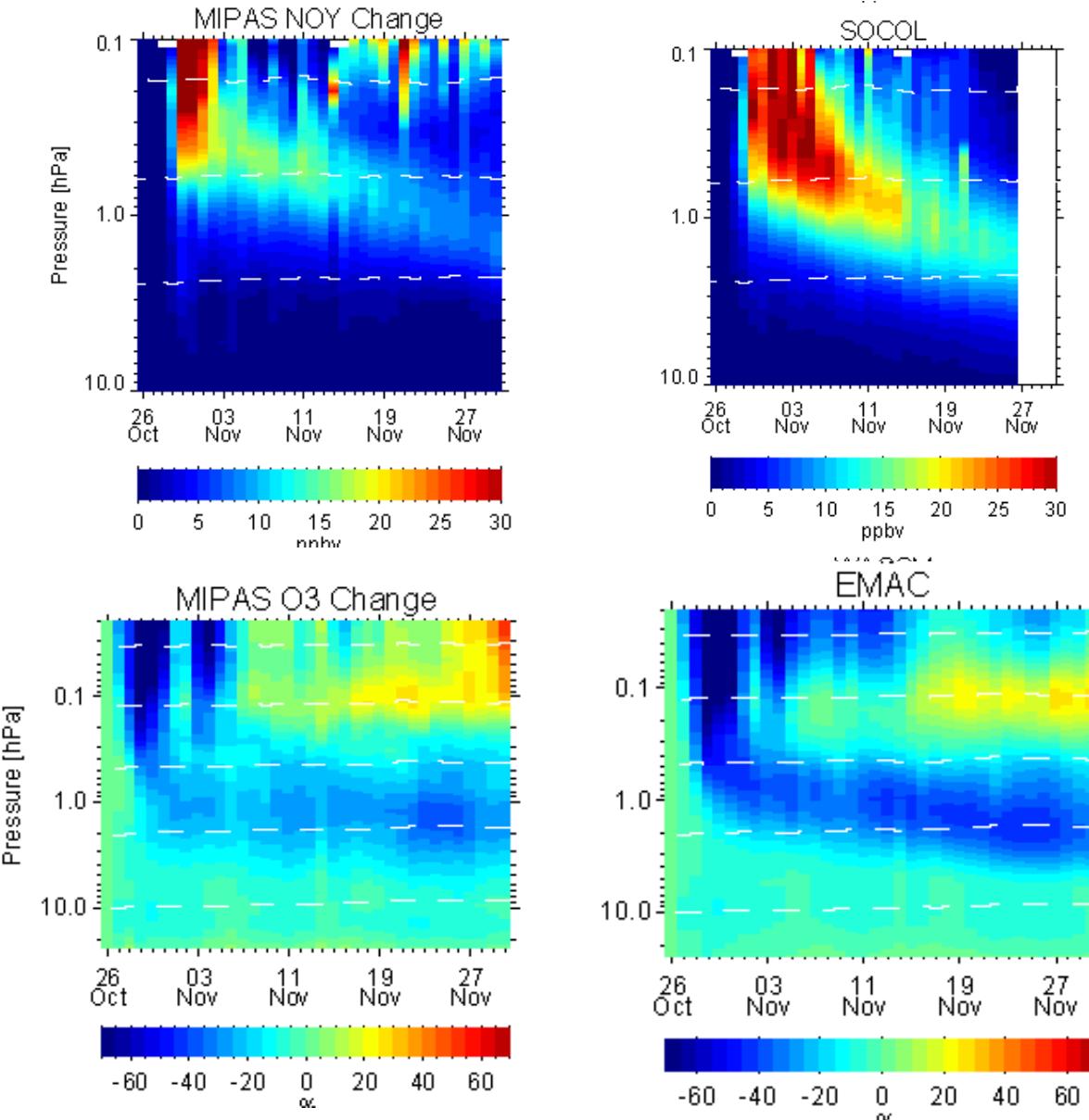


**Figure 9.** Annual EPP-NO<sub>x</sub> at 45 km in the SH arising from the EPP IE, calculated from the average NO<sub>x</sub> residuals corresponding to CH<sub>4</sub> < 0.27 ppmv (open circles, gray) or the maximum NO<sub>x</sub> residuals (dots, black).

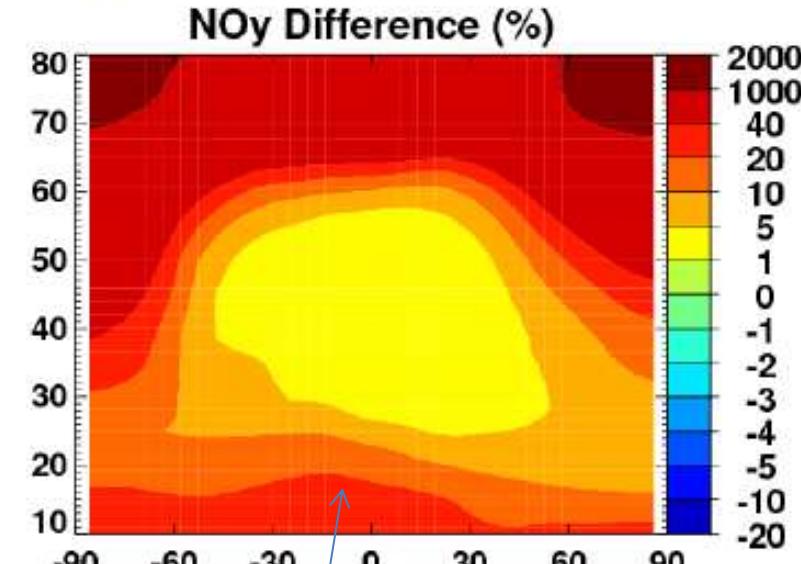
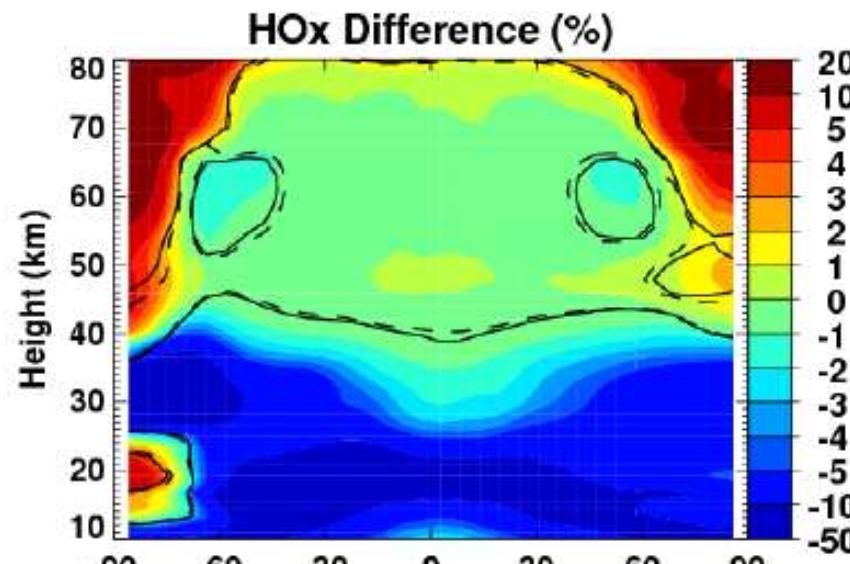
Randall et al., 2007

Rozanov et al., 2012

# Modeling of the solar protons indirect effects



# EP influence on model climatology



CMAM, Semeniuk et al., 2011

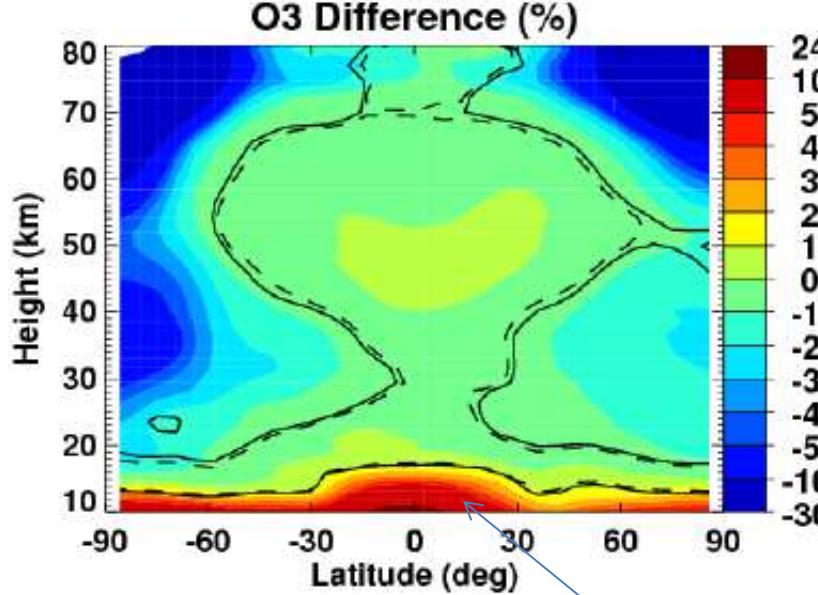


SOCOL v2.0, Rozanov et al., 2012



GCR !!!

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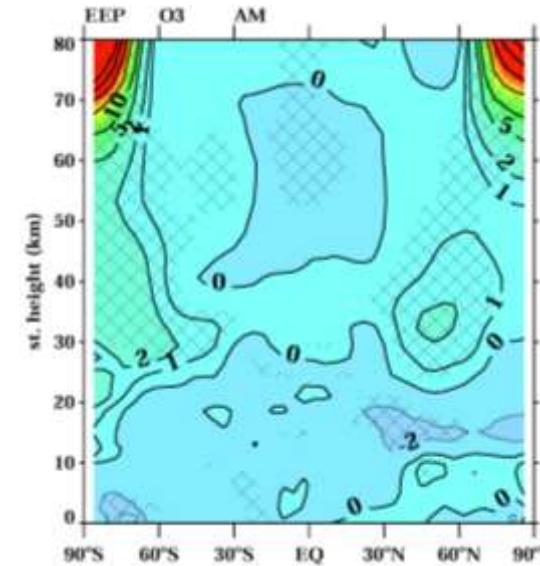
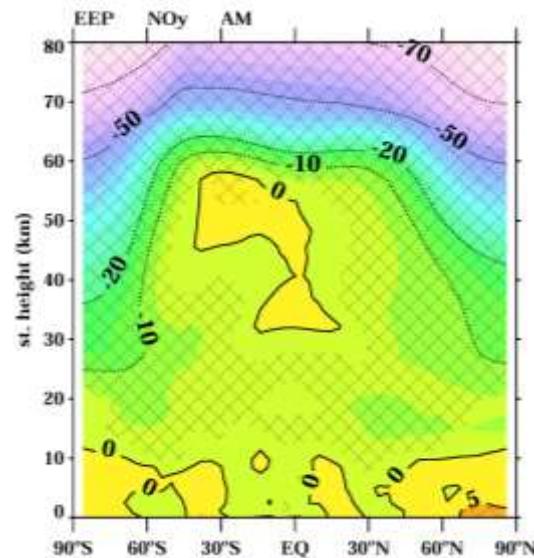


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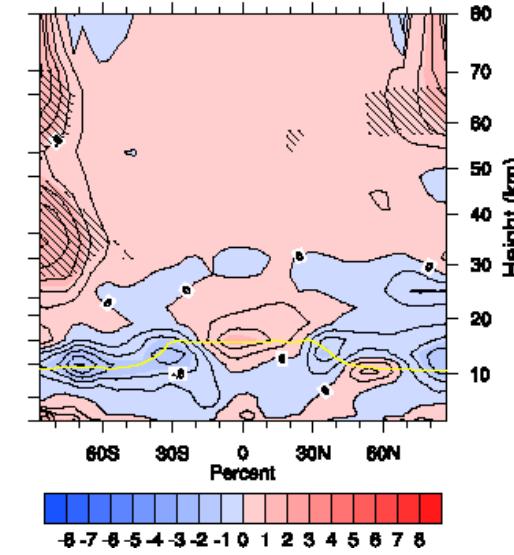
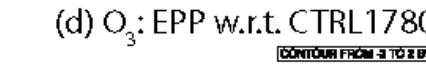
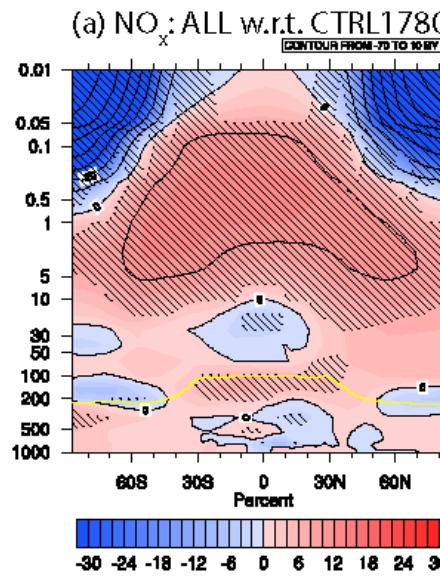
GCR !!!

# The effects of solar activity decline in SOCOL 2.0 (left) and 3.0 (right)

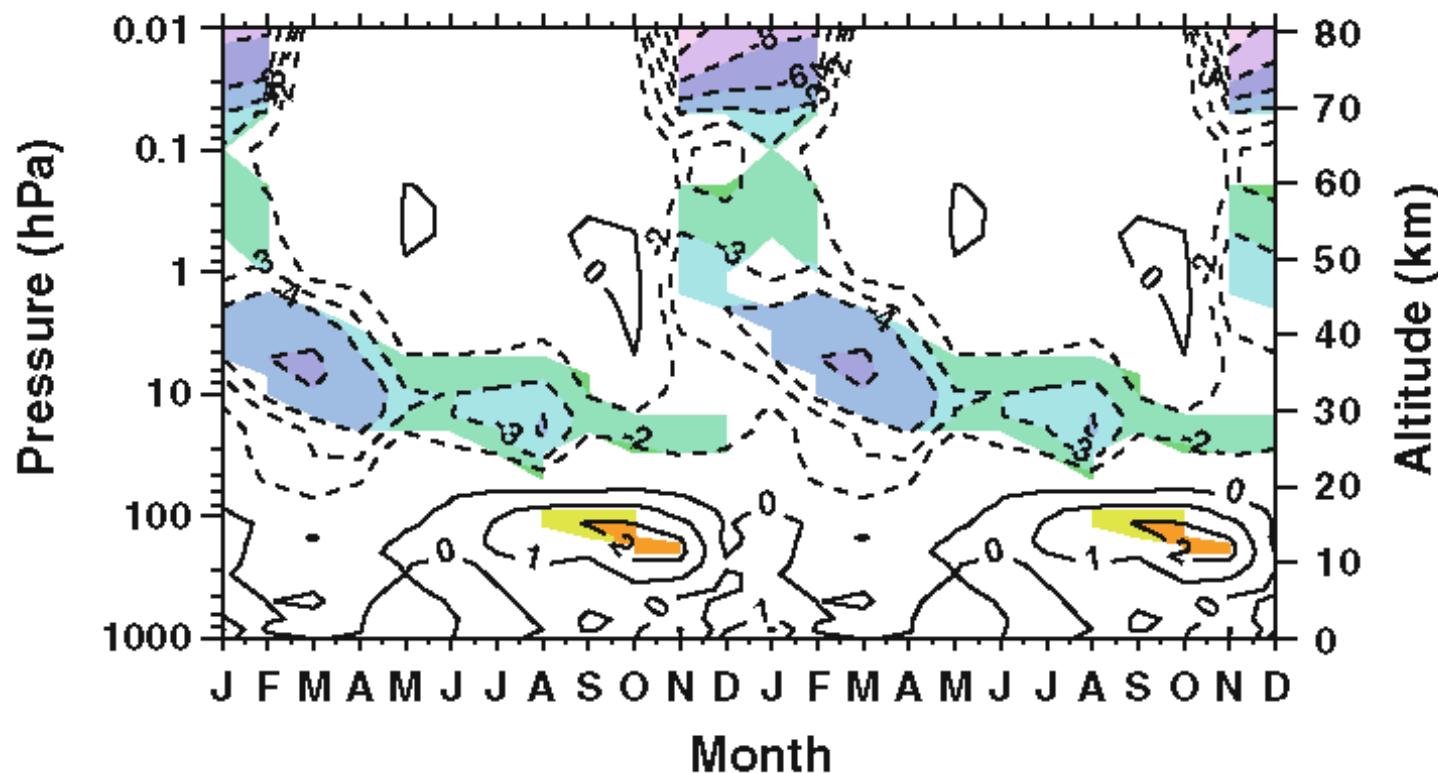
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Anet et al., 2013

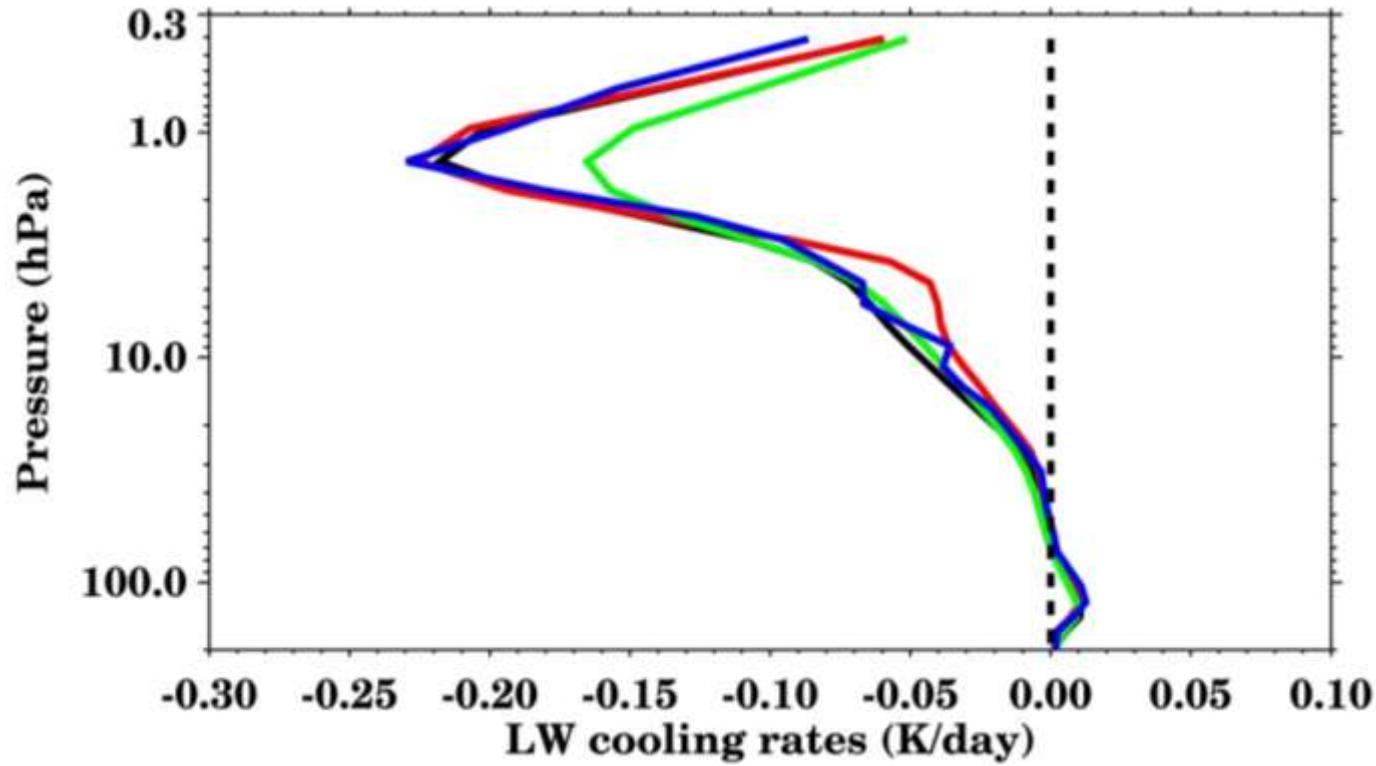


# EP influence on model ozone climatology



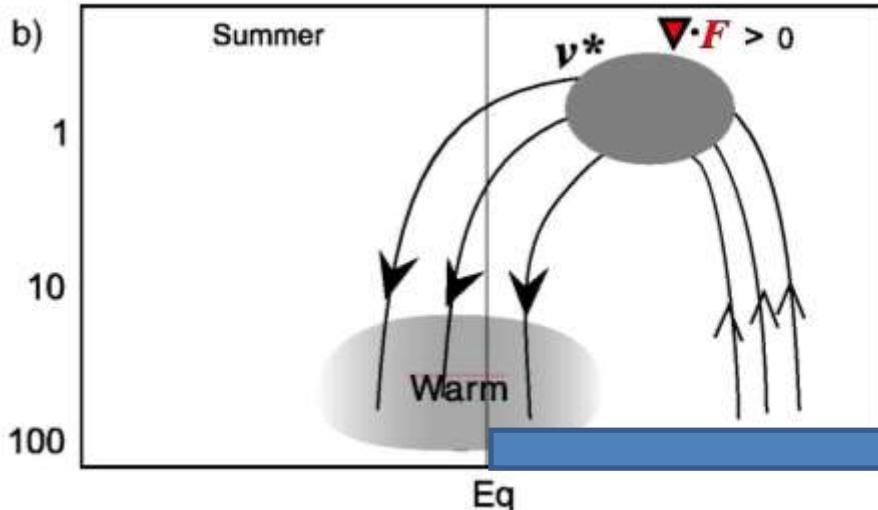
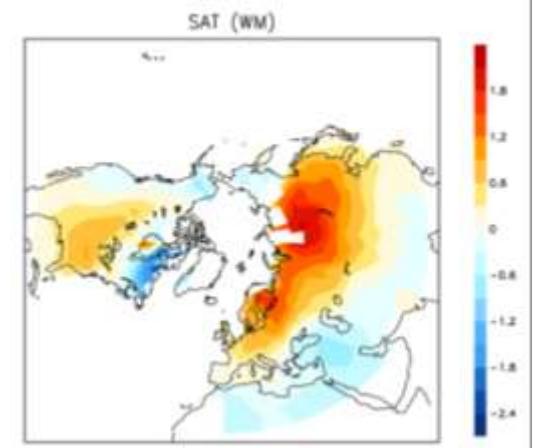
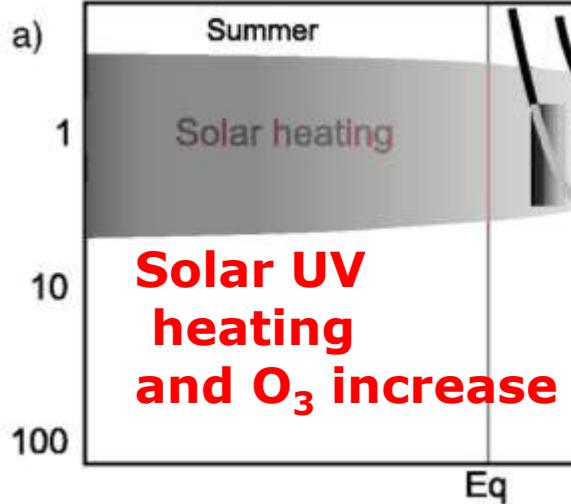
**Ozone change by EPP, 70-90°N, CCM SOCOL v2.0,  
Rozanov et al., 2012**

# Effects of the auroral electrons



January  
Polar  
AER LBL code

# Downward propagating response or 'top-down' route

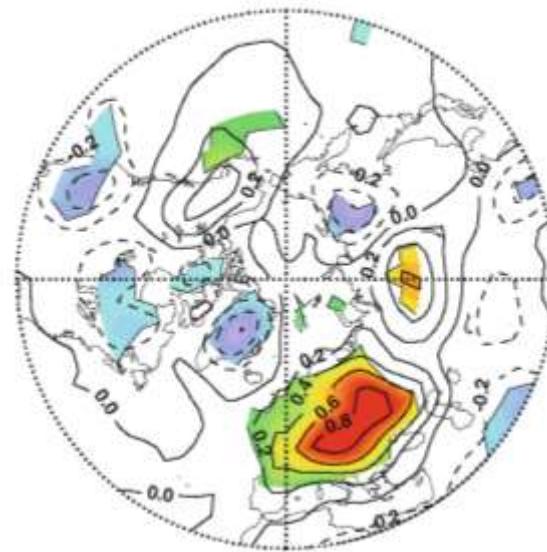


Kodera and Kuroda, (2002)

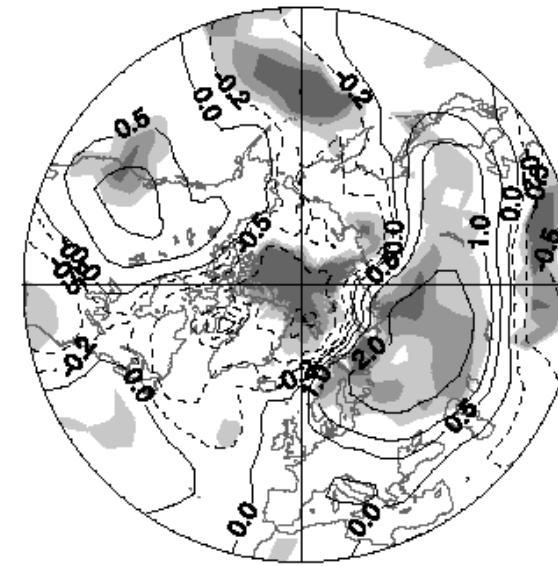
Hadley cell shift and ... (J. Haigh)

# EP influence on surface air temperature

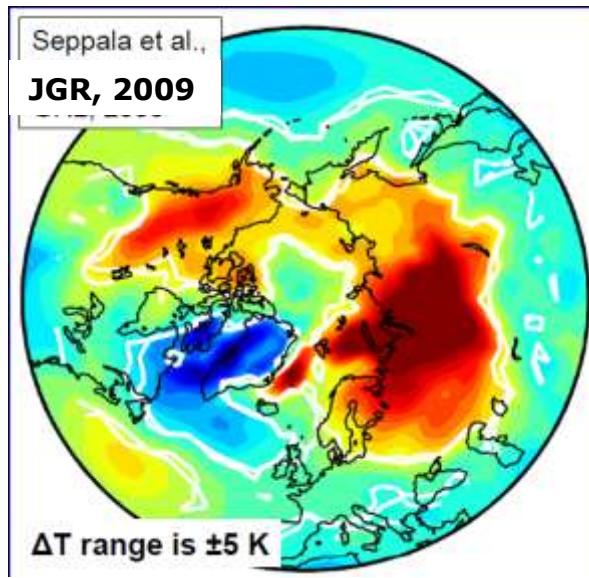
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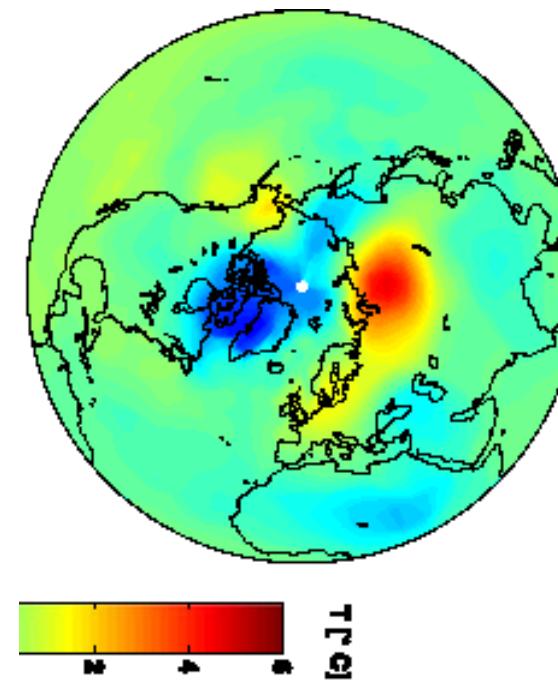
DJF,  
SOCOL  
v2.0, all EP  
Rozanov et  
al., 2012



DJF, UIUC  
CCM, RE  
Rozanov et  
al., 2005

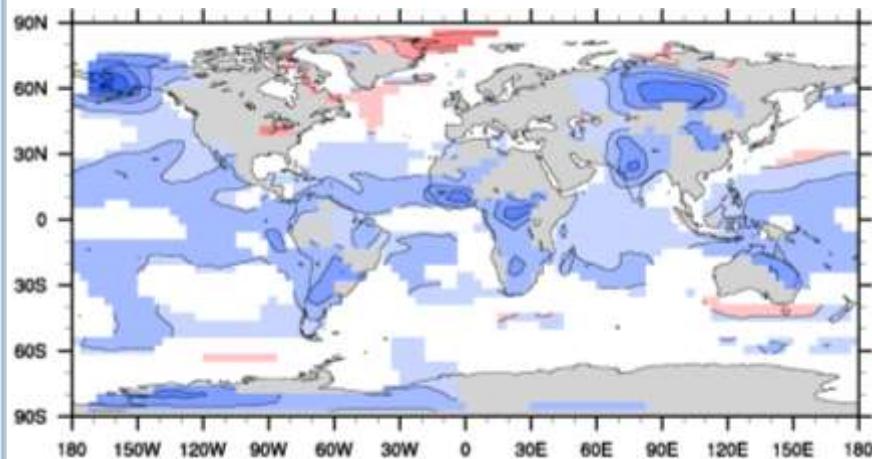


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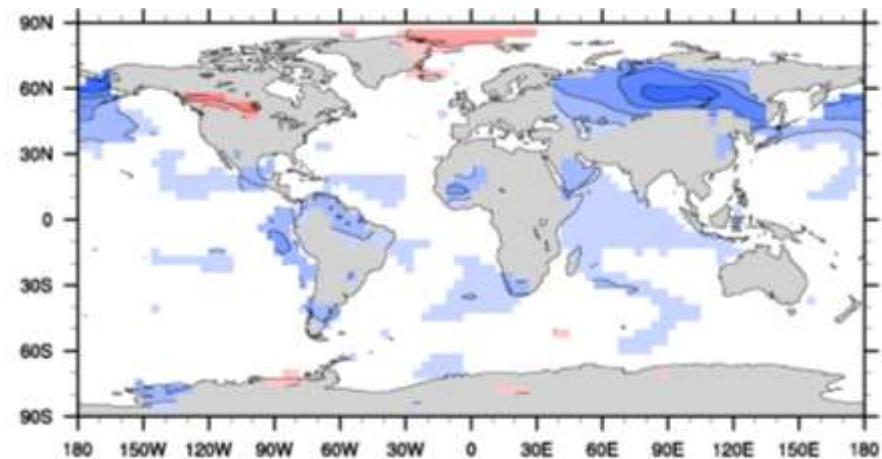


# DJF mean surface air temperature change (K) during DM due to different forcing

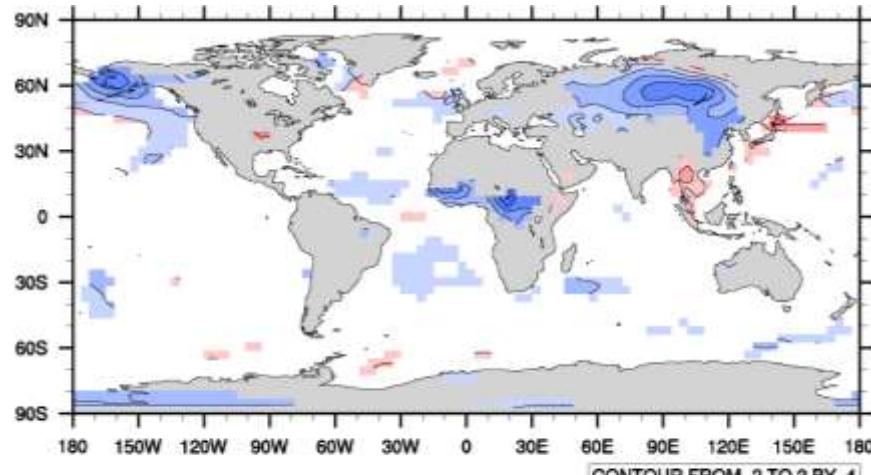
**ALL**



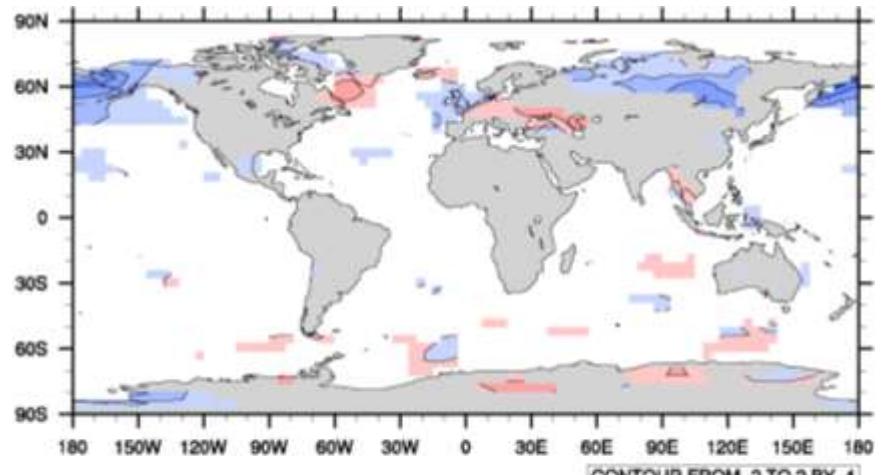
**UV-C + VIS + NIR**



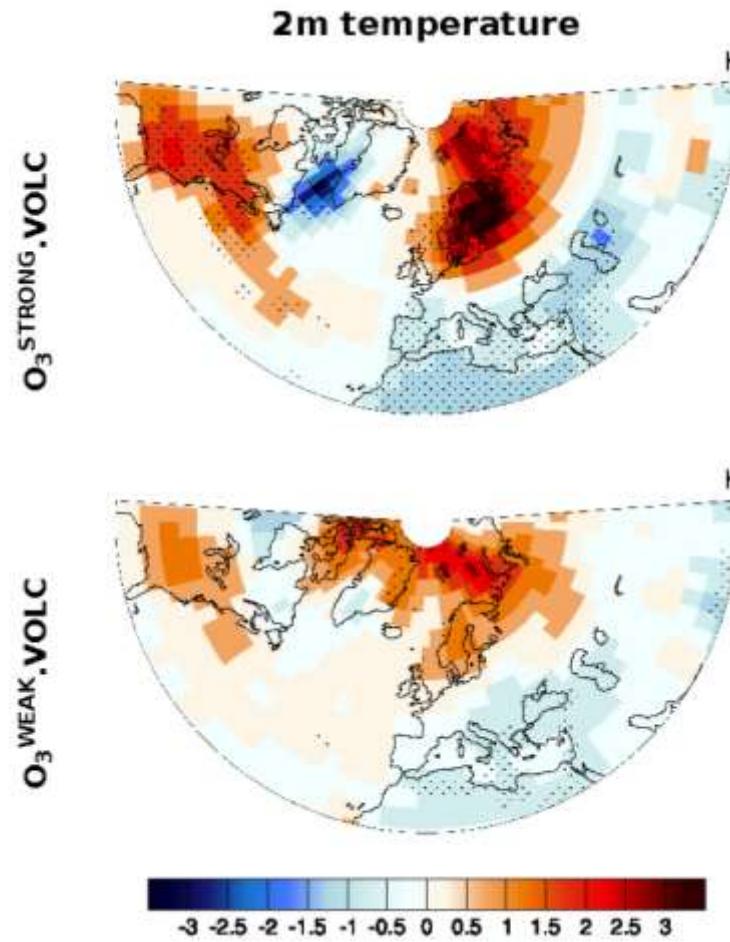
**Volcanos**



**UV-A + UV-B**



# Model response to volcanic eruption



# Conclusions

The progress in the understanding and characterization of the EP effects on ozone and climate is substantial (First time ever EP is defined as a forcing for CCMI)

There are still many problems to address:

1. Ionization rates by RBE
2. Downward propagation of NO<sub>x</sub> from lower thermosphere (HEPPA-2)
3. Climate response, top-down mechanism efficiency
4. More careful model evaluation to understand why the particle effects heavily depends on model state
5. Resolving the disagreement between the magnitude of GCR effects in the troposphere (more models are needed)
6. Projection of EP fluxes and spectrum behavior for future grand minimum of the solar activity