

Future ozone in a changing climate

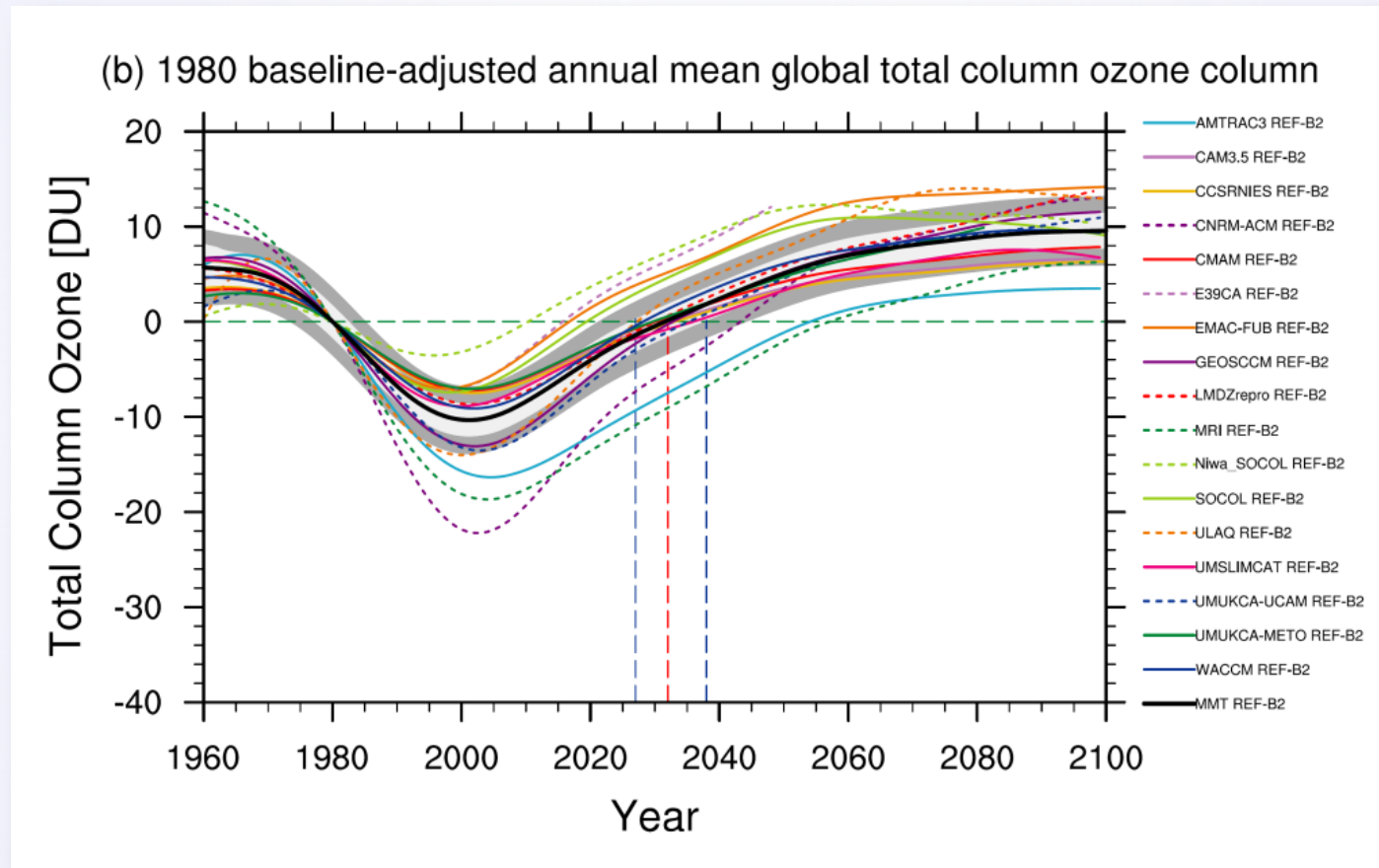
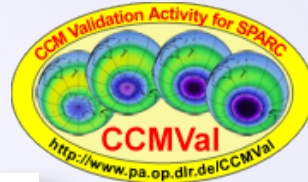
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Annual global mean total ozone 1960-2100

from Chemistry-Climate Model projections



Eyring et al, 2010; WMO 2011

CCMVal projections

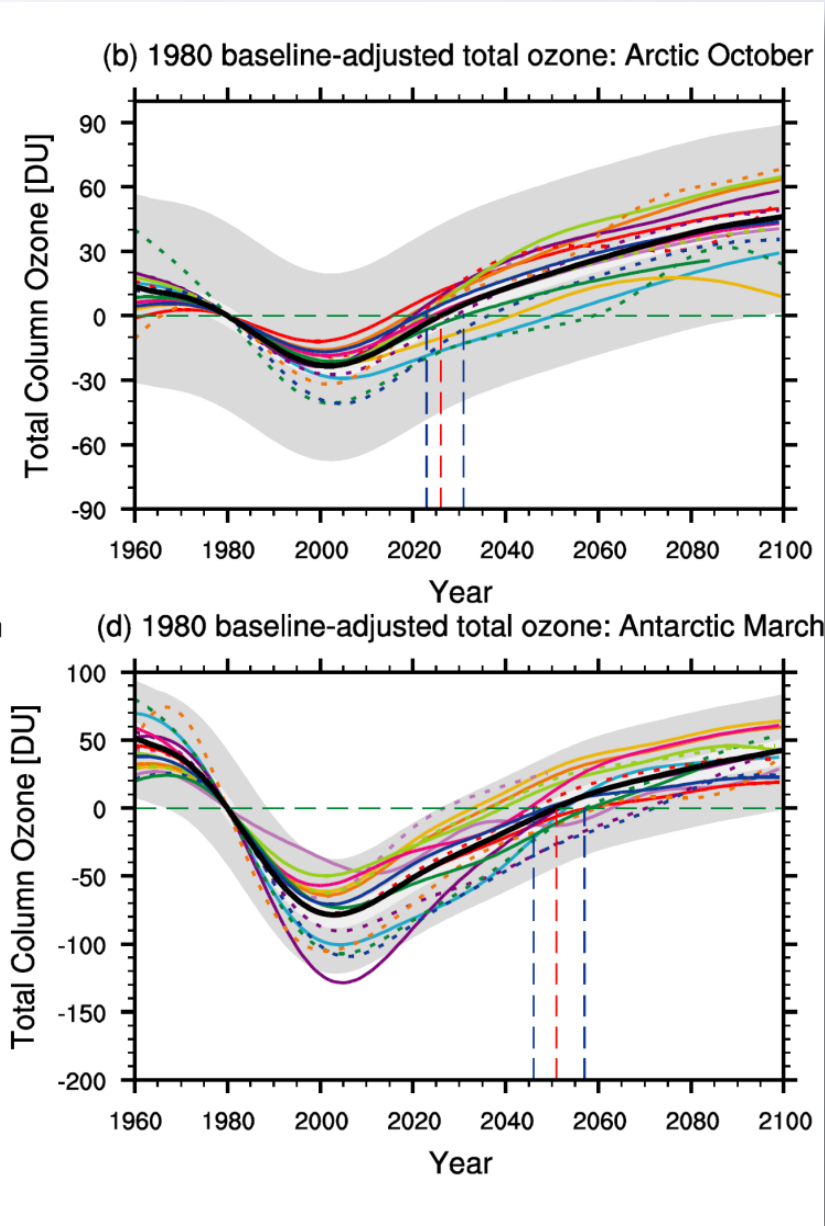
polar spring

Expected return of total ozone to 1980 levels

Arctic (March)	2026 (2023-2031)
Antarctica (October)	2051 (2046-2057)
NH mid-latitudes	2021 (2017-2026)

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Arctic, March

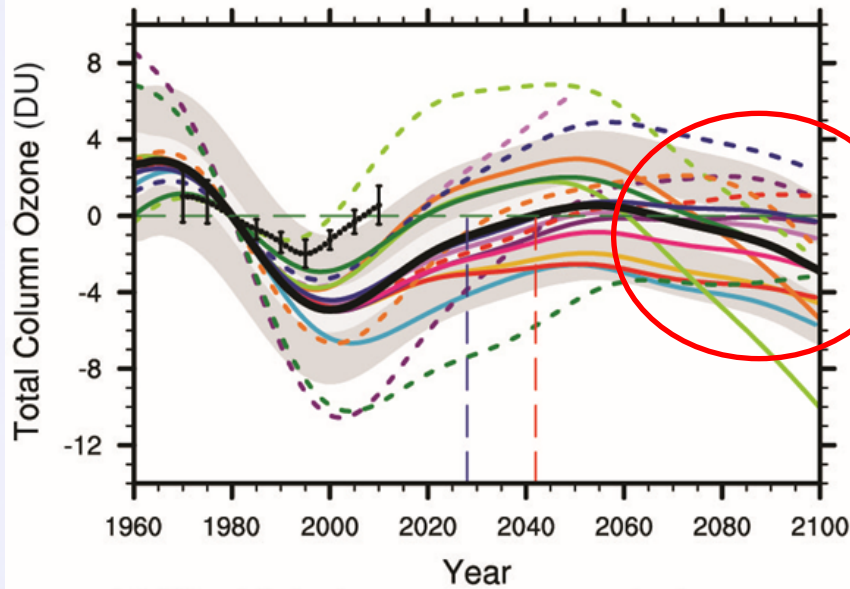


Antarctic, October

Tropical ozone

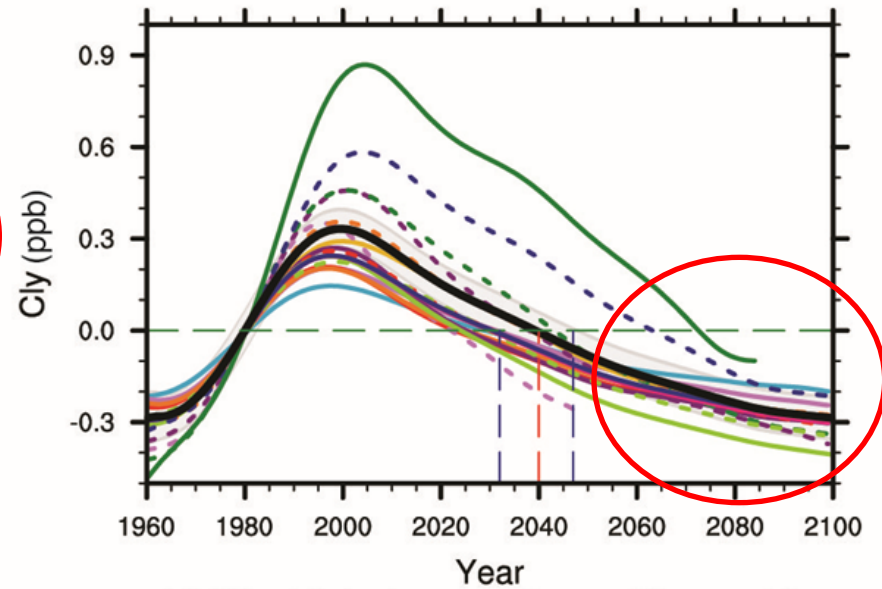
Ozone

(a) Tropics annual mean total column ozone



Cl_y at 50 hPa

(b) Tropics annual mean Cl_y at 50 hPa



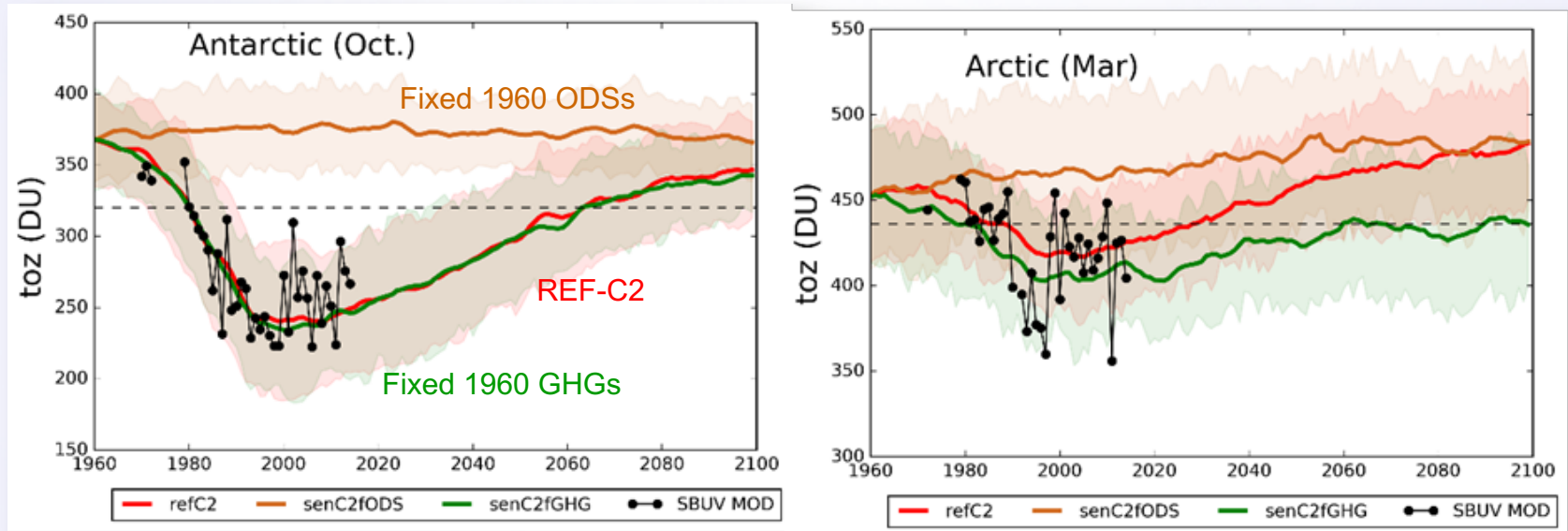
From Chapter 3 of *Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion: 2010* (WMO, 2011).

Chemistry-climate interactions affect the future evolution of ozone.

Outline

- How do – increasing - GHGs affect ozone recovery?
- Future ozone in the tropics and Arctic spring
- Impact of climate change scenario
- Relevance of N_2O and CH_4

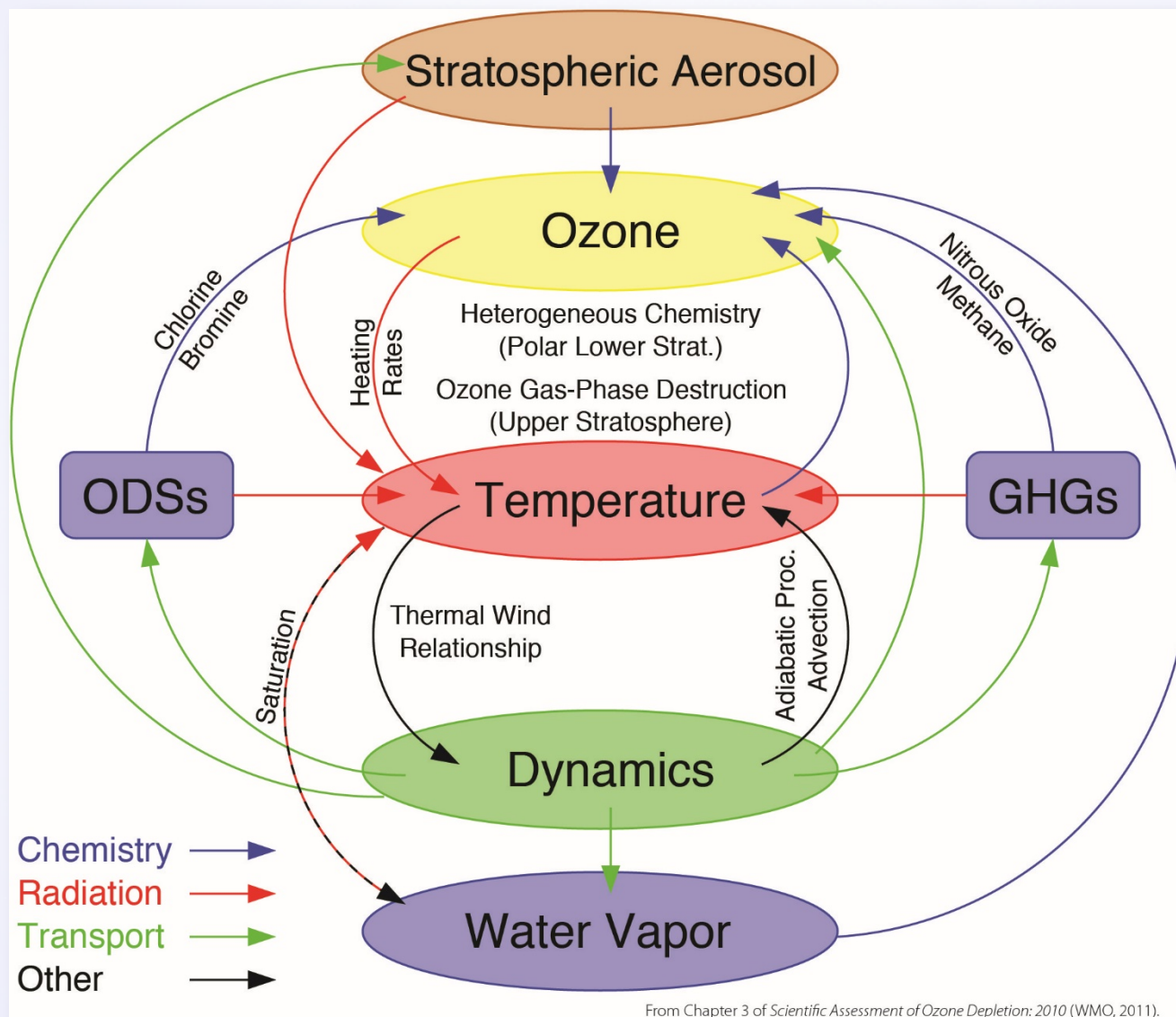
Projected total ozone column [DU] in 1960-2100 from new CCMI simulations



Dhomse et al., 2017, in preparation

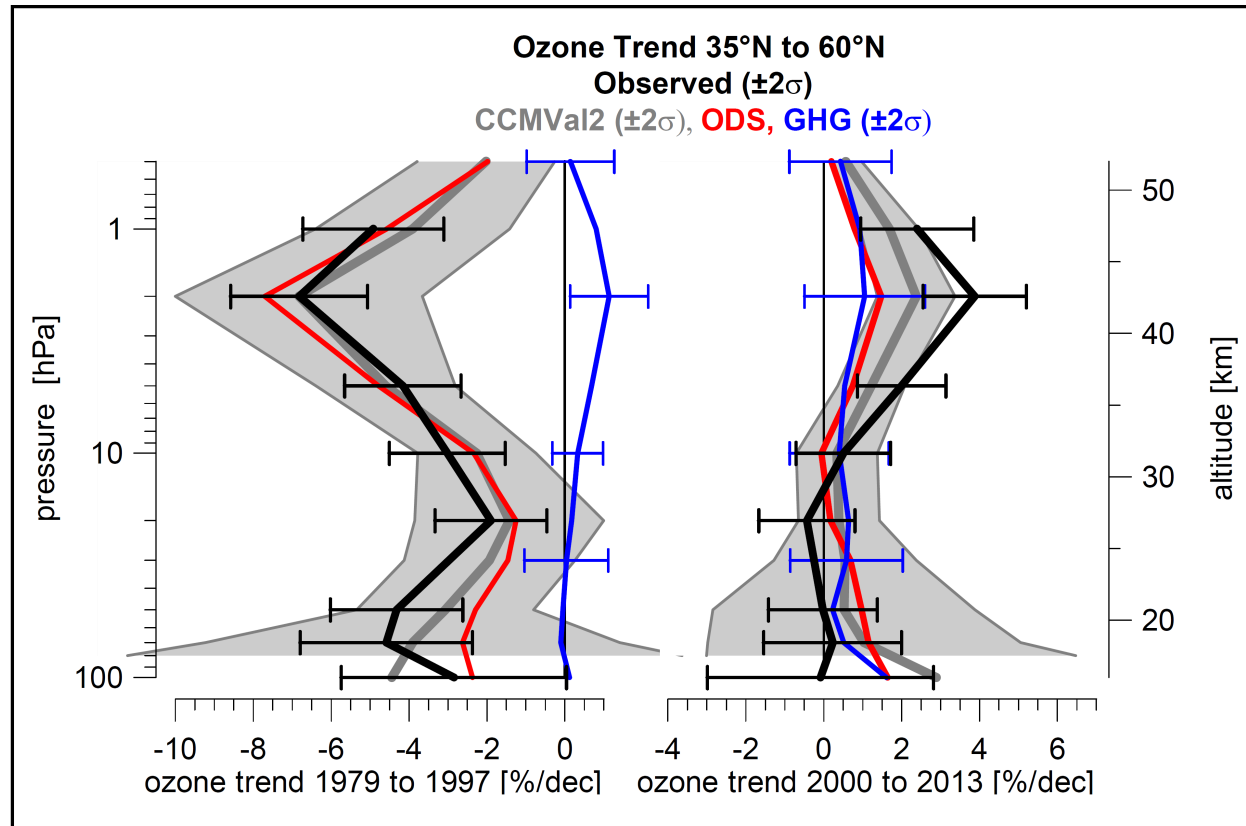
- Climate change affects stratospheric ozone.
- Regionally varying ozone response to climate change.
- GHGs may accelerate ozone return to historical values.

Which processes are involved?



WMO, 2011

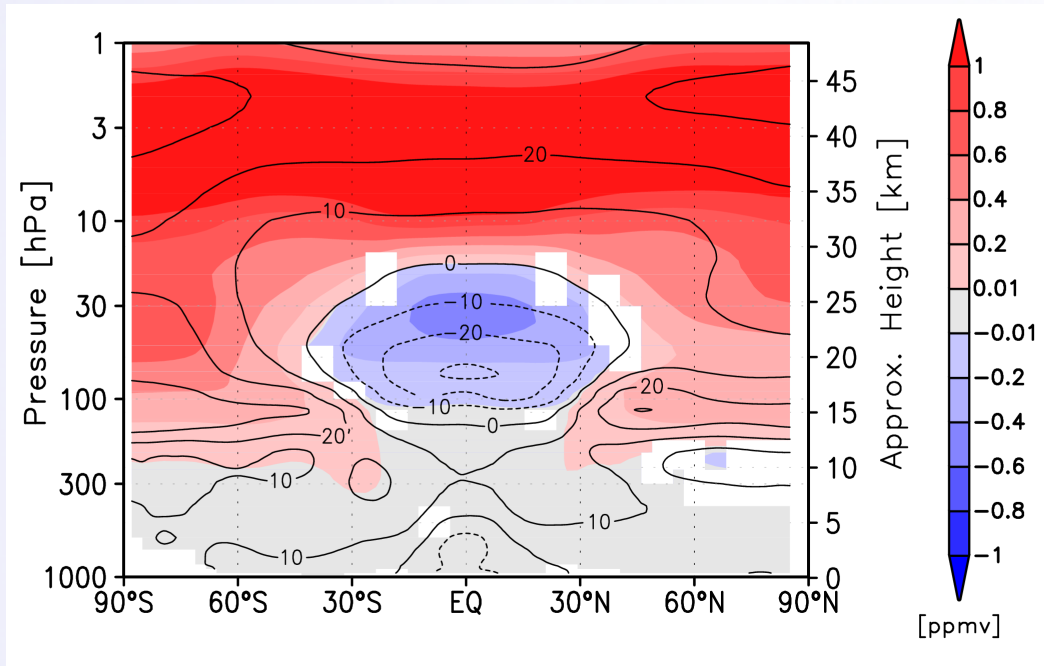
Did GHGs affect ozone in the past?



WMO, 2014

Tropical ozone: Future Recovery?

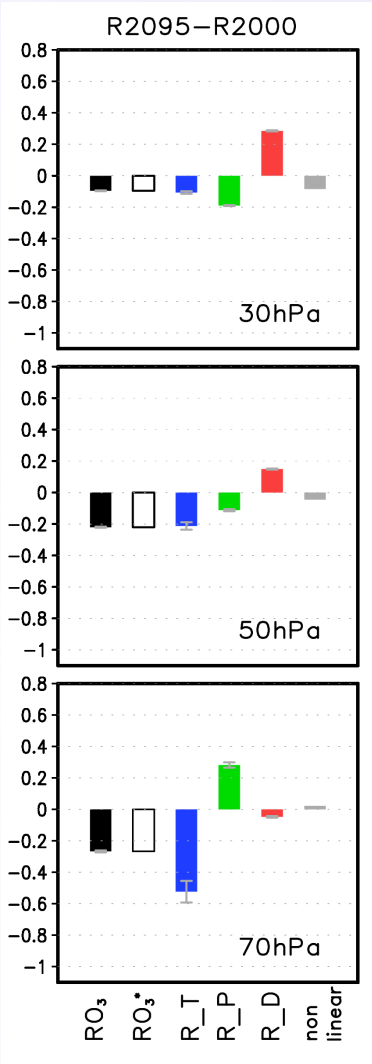
Change in annual mean ozone from 2000 to 2095



Ozone loss in lower/middle stratosphere due to enhanced tropical upwelling in strengthened Brewer-Dobson Circulation

Meul, Langematz et al., ACP, 2014

EMAC CCM

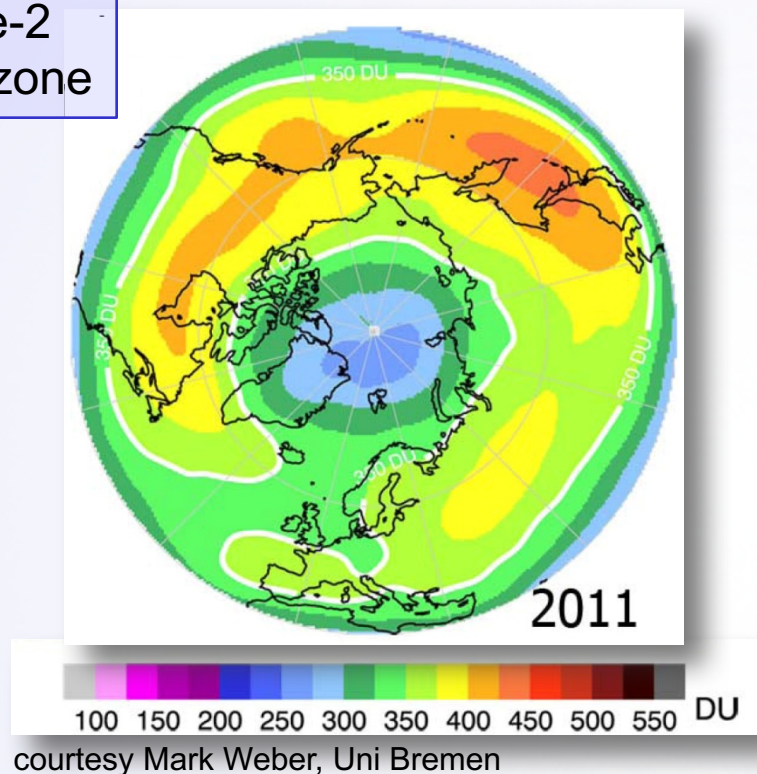


Chemical destruction
Chemical production
Transport

Relative ozone change

Arctic Ozone: Future ozone holes?

Gome-2
Total Ozone



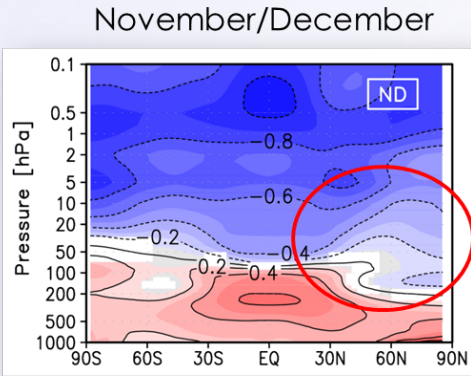
- Unprecedented Arctic ozone loss in March 2011
- Comparable to Antarctic ozone hole
- Due to
 - persistent cold lower stratosphere from early winter into spring
 - early onset of denitrification
 - long-lasting enhanced chlorine activation
 - large V_{PSC}

Manney et al., 2011

Will Arctic ozone-hole-like events become more frequent with climate change?

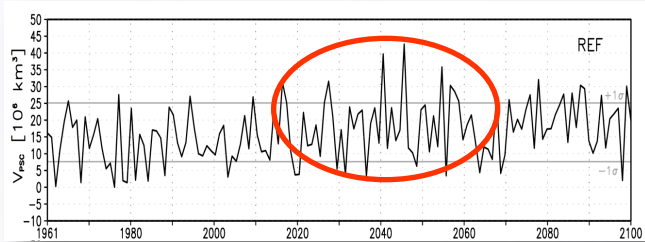
Arctic total ozone in March

1st half of 21st century

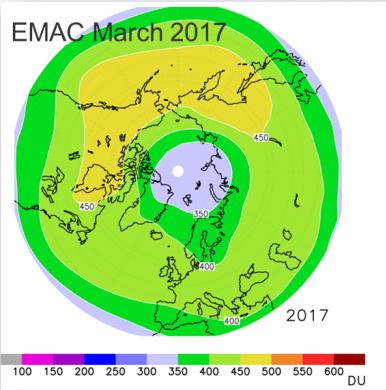


GHG induced early winter cooling

EMAC CCM model study



Maximum V_{PSC} with climate change during 1st half of 21st century

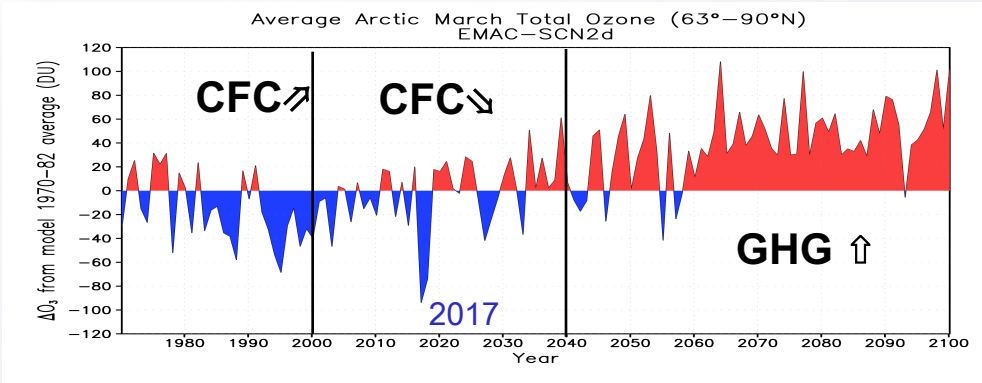


Individual low-ozone years may occur

2nd half of 21st century

Increased dynamical variability in Arctic winter; ozone increase due to cooling and enhanced ozone transport

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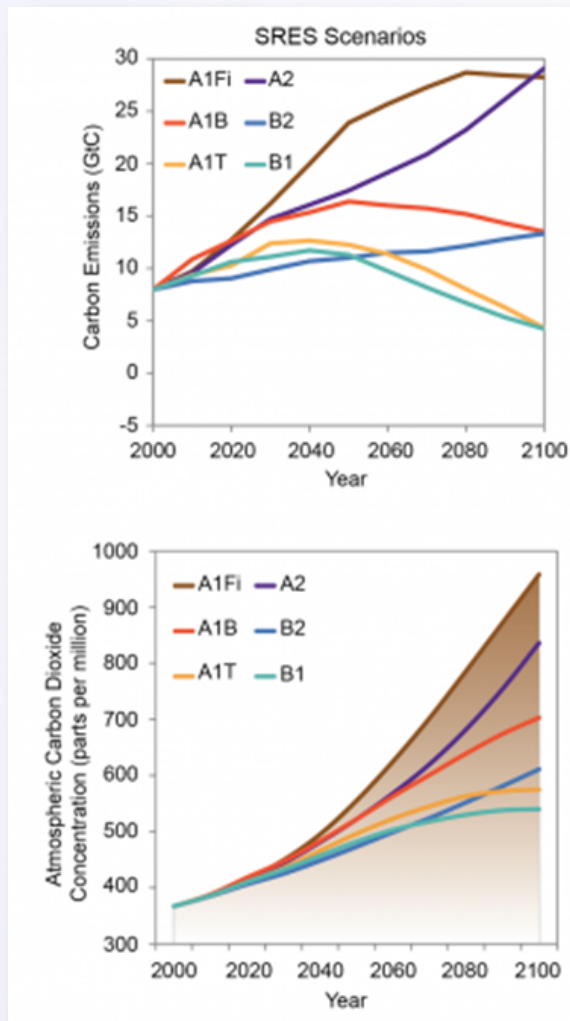


Langematz et al. (2014) (see also Bednarz et al., 2016)

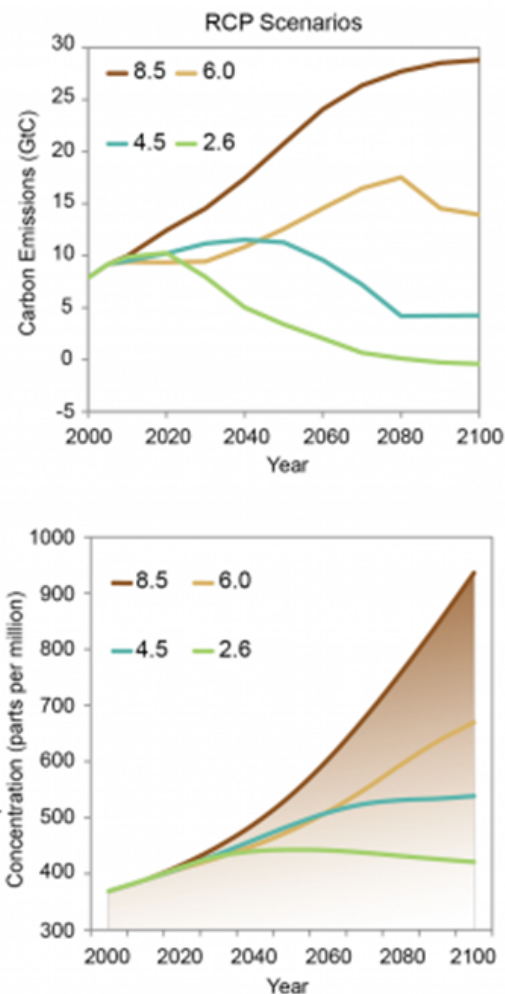
➤ Impact of climate change scenario

Emission / concentration scenarios for model projections

SRES
used in
CCMVal-2



RCPs
used in
CCMI



<http://www.globalchange.gov>

Meinshausen et al., 2011

Stratospheric ozone column

1960 – 2100

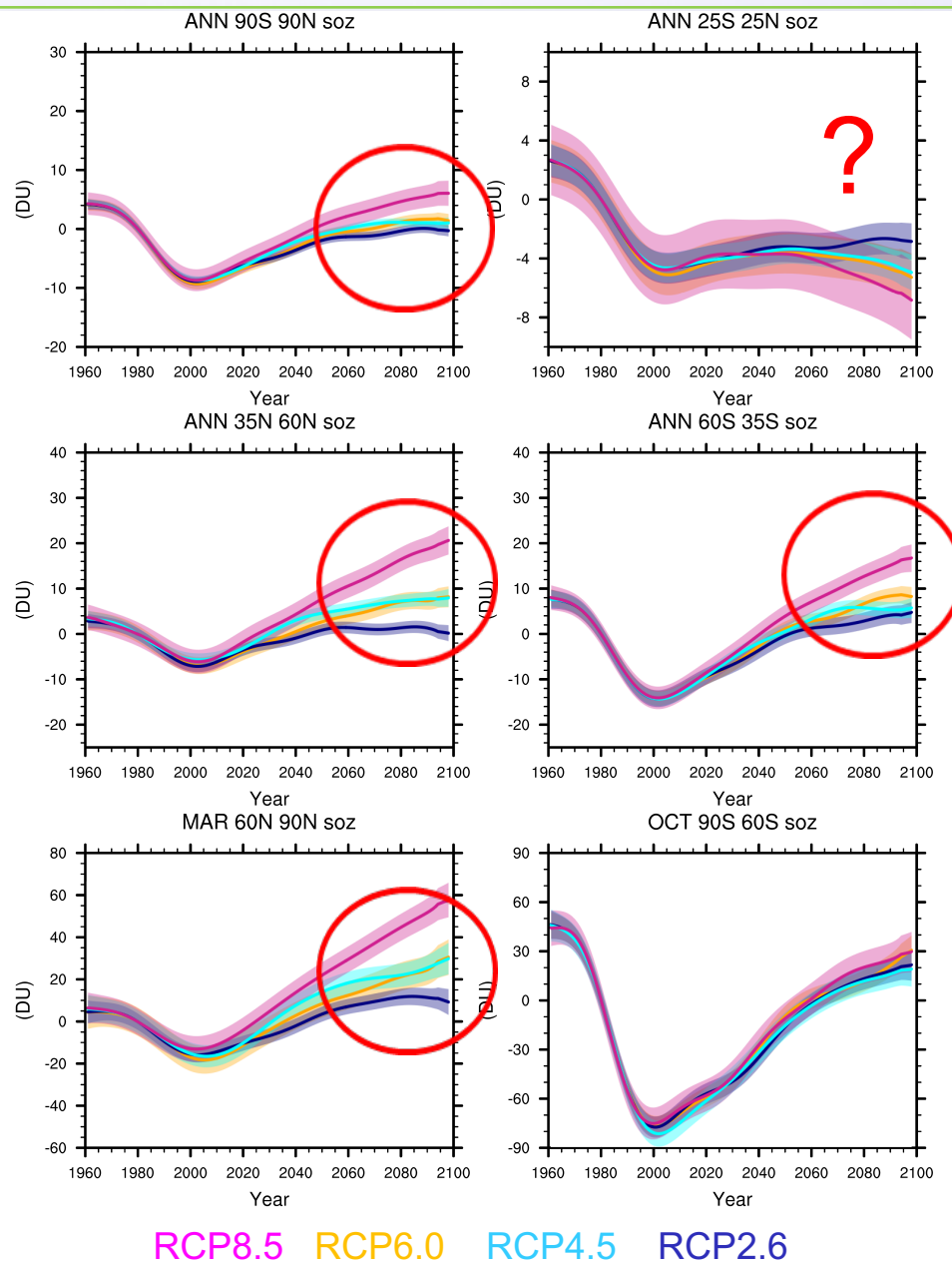
CCMI simulations

Stratospheric ozone recovery increases with RCP

except for

- Tropics
- Antarctic spring

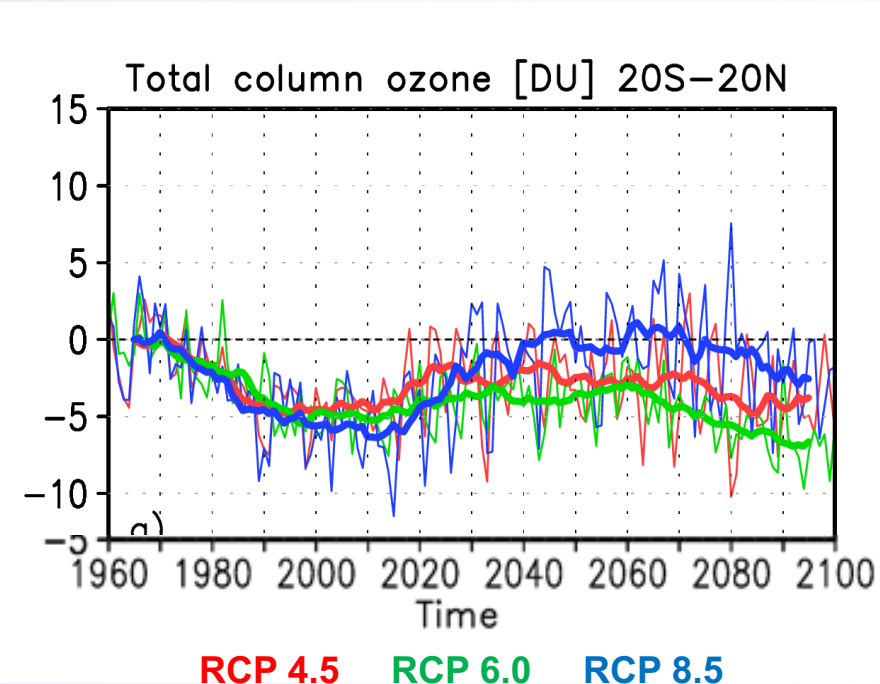
Cionni et al., to be submitted



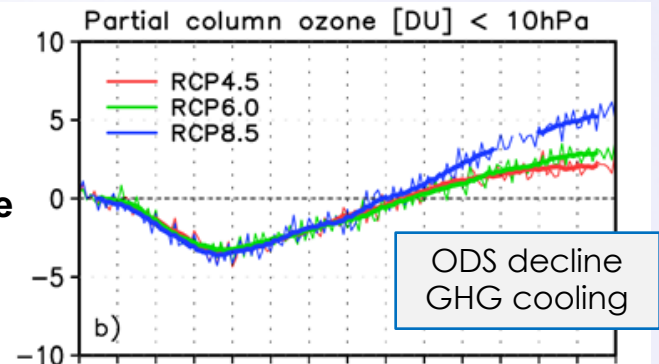
Total tropical column ozone

20°S-20°N

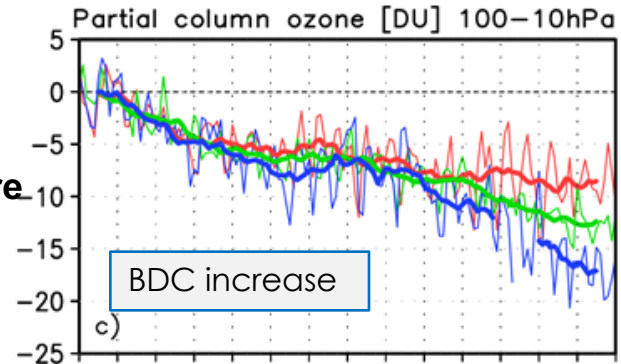
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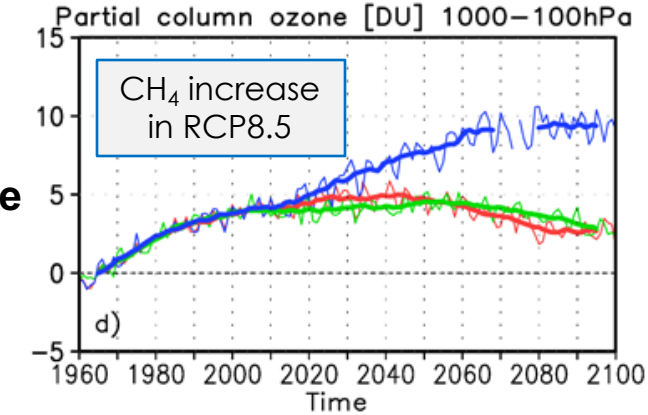
upper
stratosphere



lower
stratosphere



troposphere



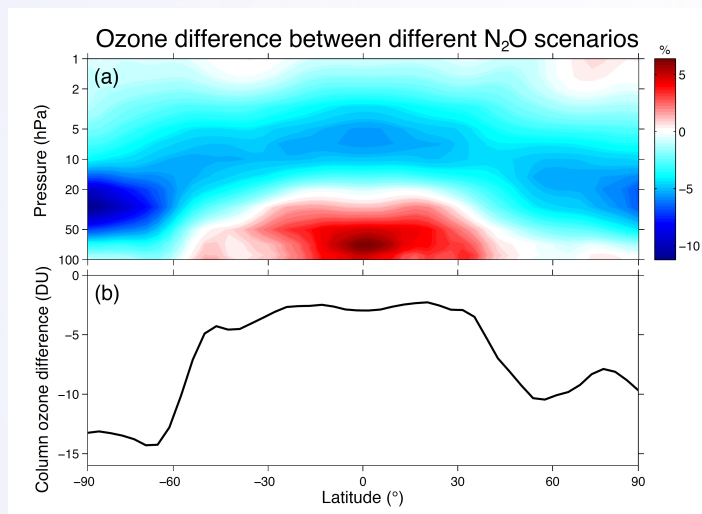
Meul, Dameris, Langematz et al., GRL, 2016

➤ Future increases in CH_4 and N_2O

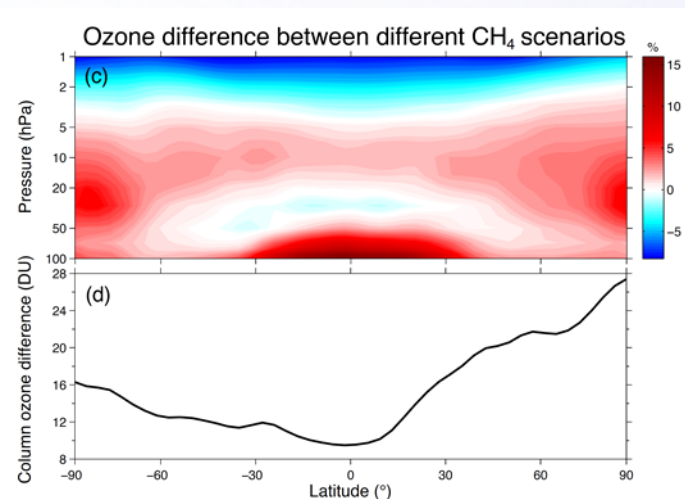
Ozone changes in the 2090s due to different N₂O and CH₄ scenarios

NIWA-SOCOL CCM simulations

N₂O



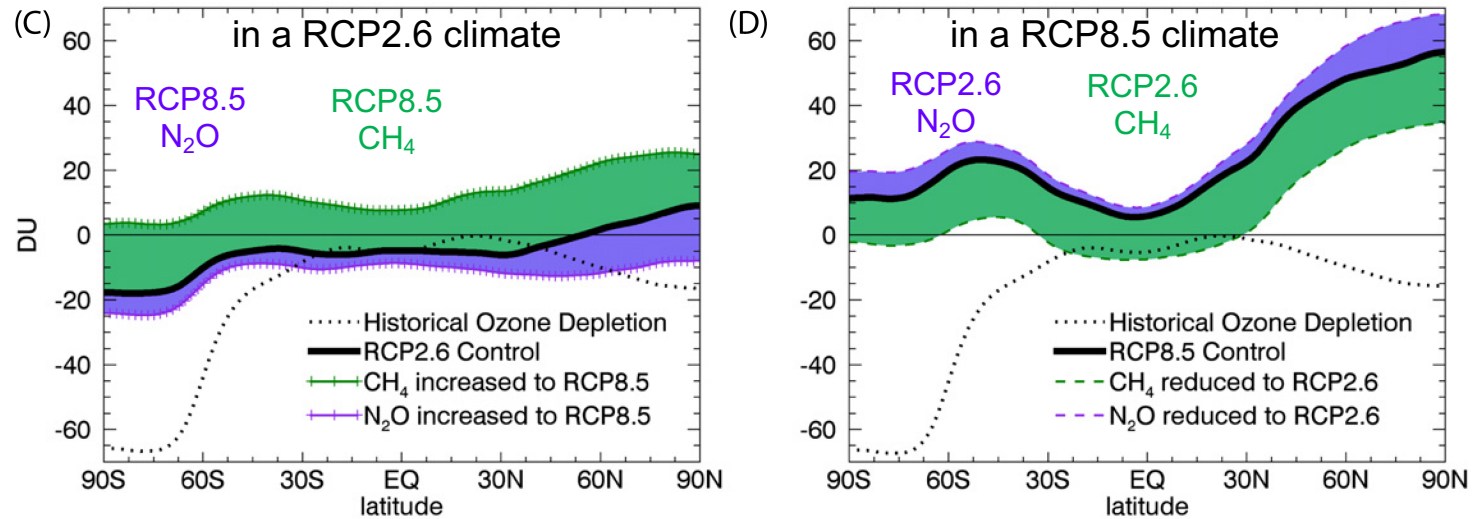
CH₄



Revell et al., 2012

- Enhanced N₂O emissions in the extreme RCP8.5 reduce ozone.
- Enhanced CH₄ emissions in the extreme RCP8.5 enhance ozone.

Future - historical Total Column Ozone Changes



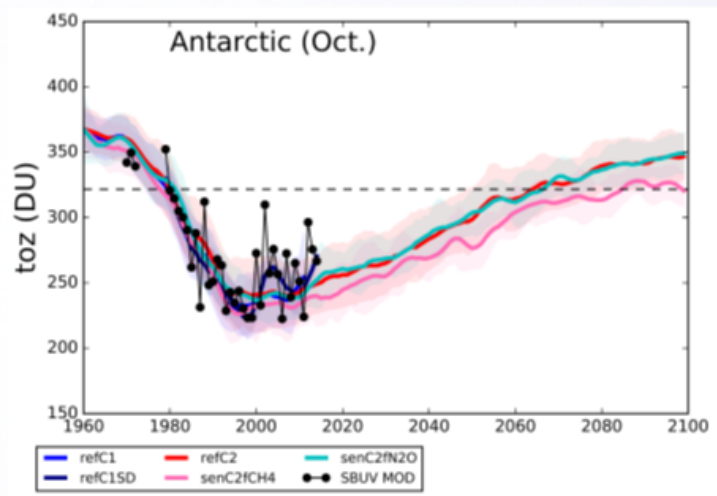
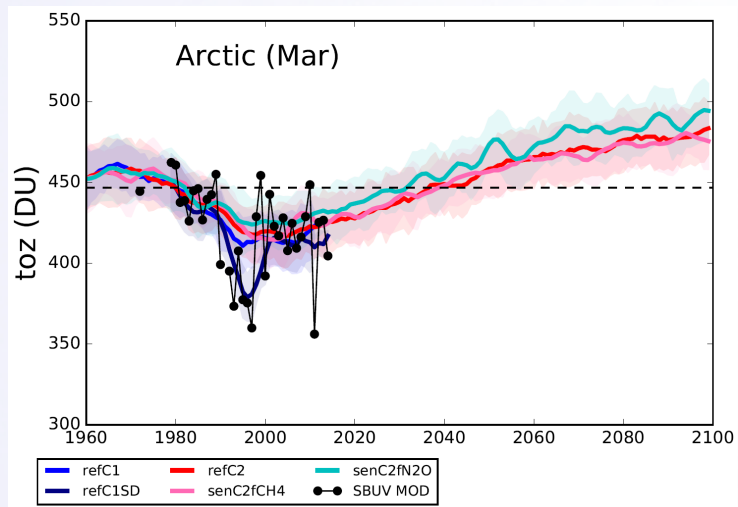
Butler et., al 2016

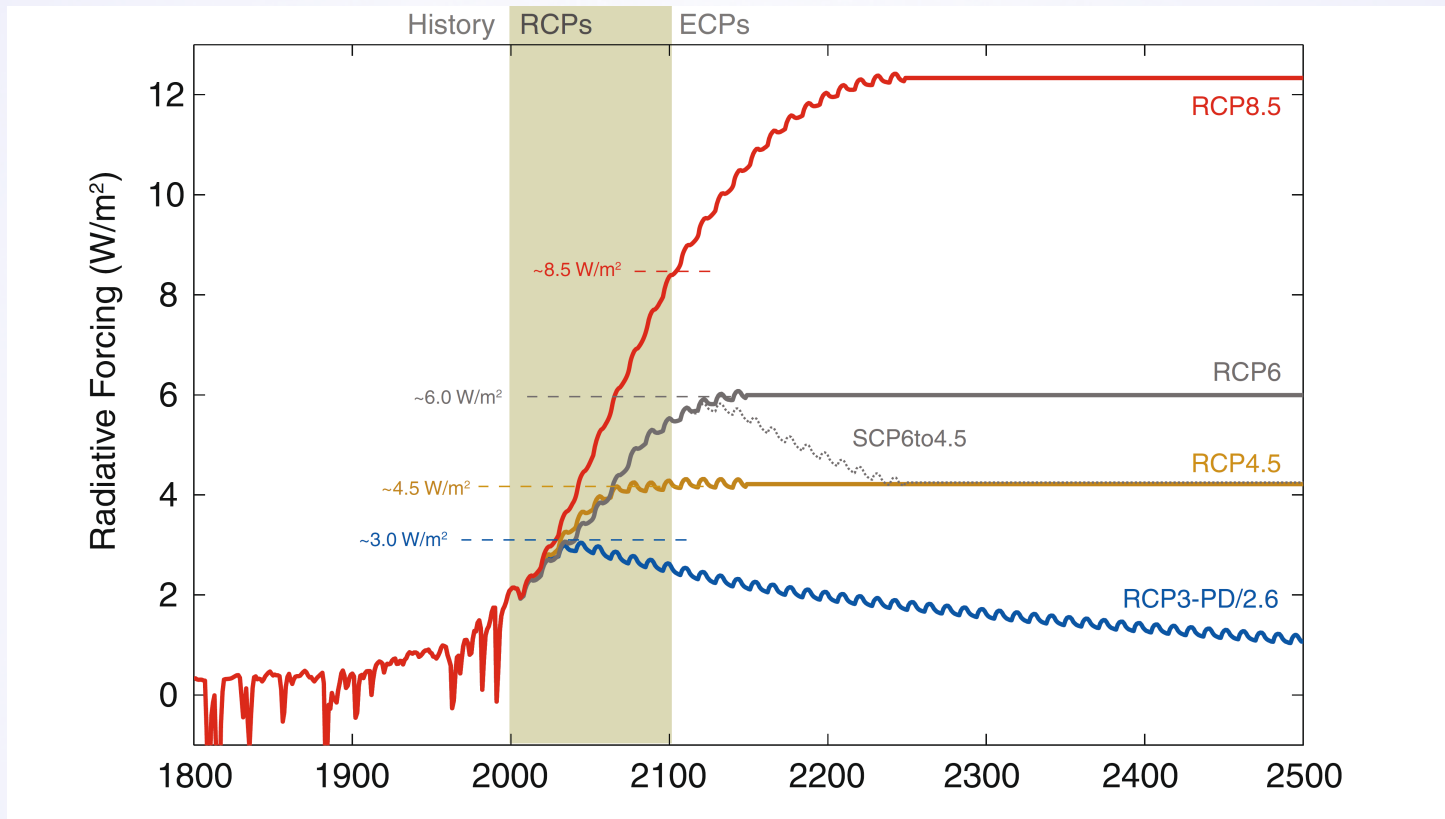
Implications of N₂O and CH₄ changes depend on background atmospheric state.

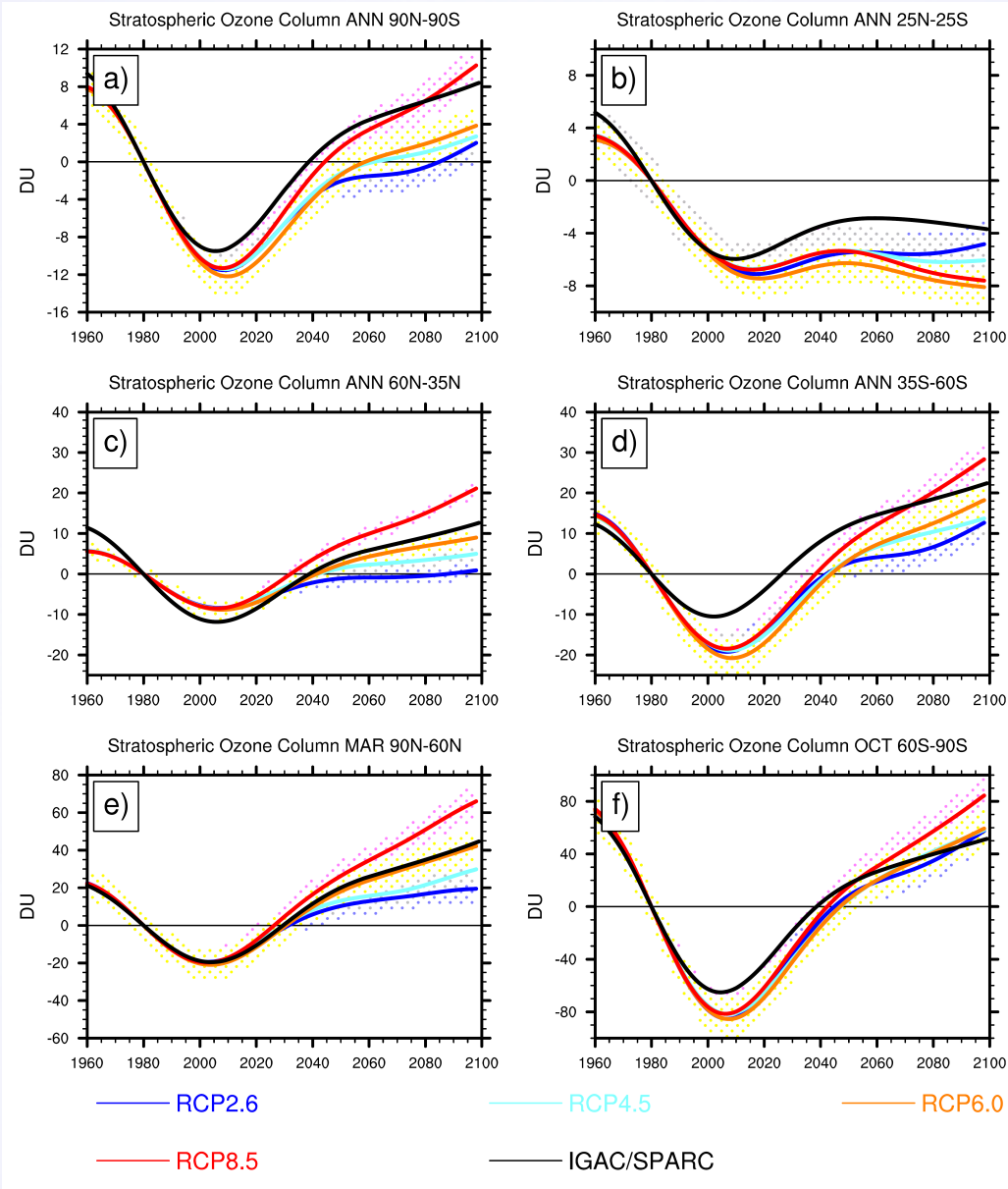
Conclusions

- Increasing GHGs affect ozone through changes of stratospheric temperature and circulation, and by direct chemical interactions.
- Increasing GHGs enhance ozone in the upper stratosphere and accelerate the return of total column ozone to historical baseline values (except for the Tropics and Antarctica).
- Tropical ozone will not recover to 1960 baseline values due to an overcompensation of ozone increases in the upper stratosphere (due to cooling) and troposphere (due to CH_4) by lower stratospheric ozone decrease (due to enhanced BDC upwelling).
- Arctic 'ozonehole like' spring ozone depletion may occur in individual years until about 2050s due to GHG induced early winter cooling.
- Stratospheric ozone recovery is strongly influenced by the RCP scenario.
- Growing N_2O abundances in the extreme GHG scenario will enhance ozone depletion; growing CH_4 abundances will enhance ozone.

Thank you!

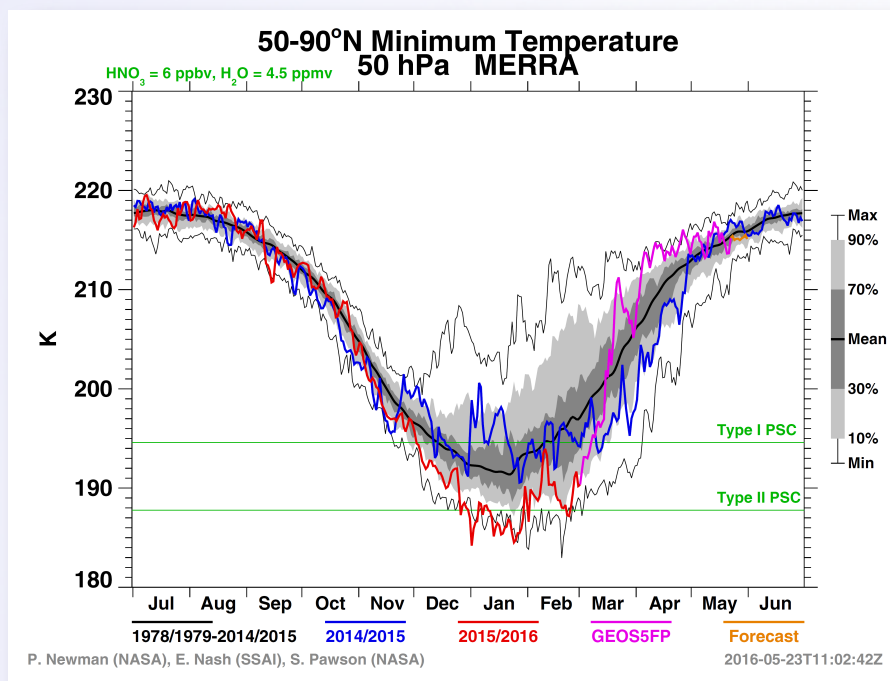






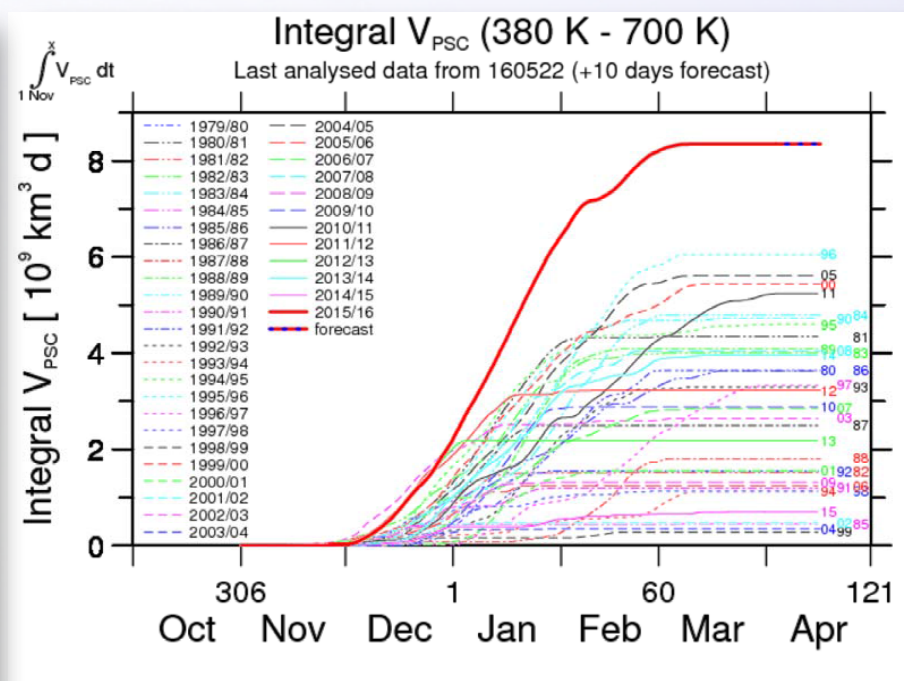
Eyring et al., JGR, 2013

Arctic Winter 2015/16



<http://ozonewatch.gsfc.nasa.gov>

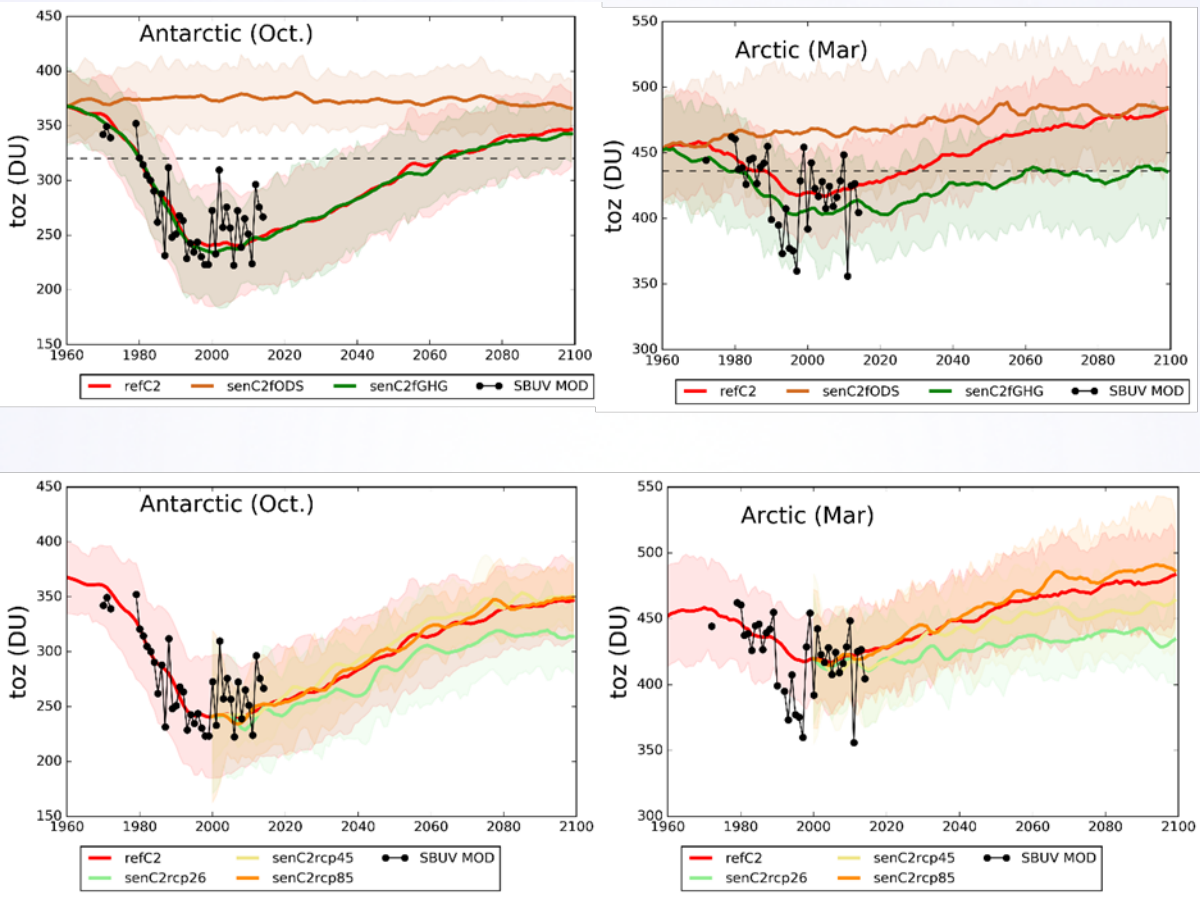
Record low strato.
temperatures in early winter



<http://www.atmo-projects.net/match/>

Record high accumulated
PSC volume

Record low Arctic spring ozone ?



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