

Impact of Recent Laboratory Measurements of the ClOOCl Absorption Cross Section On Our Understanding of Polar Ozone Chemistry

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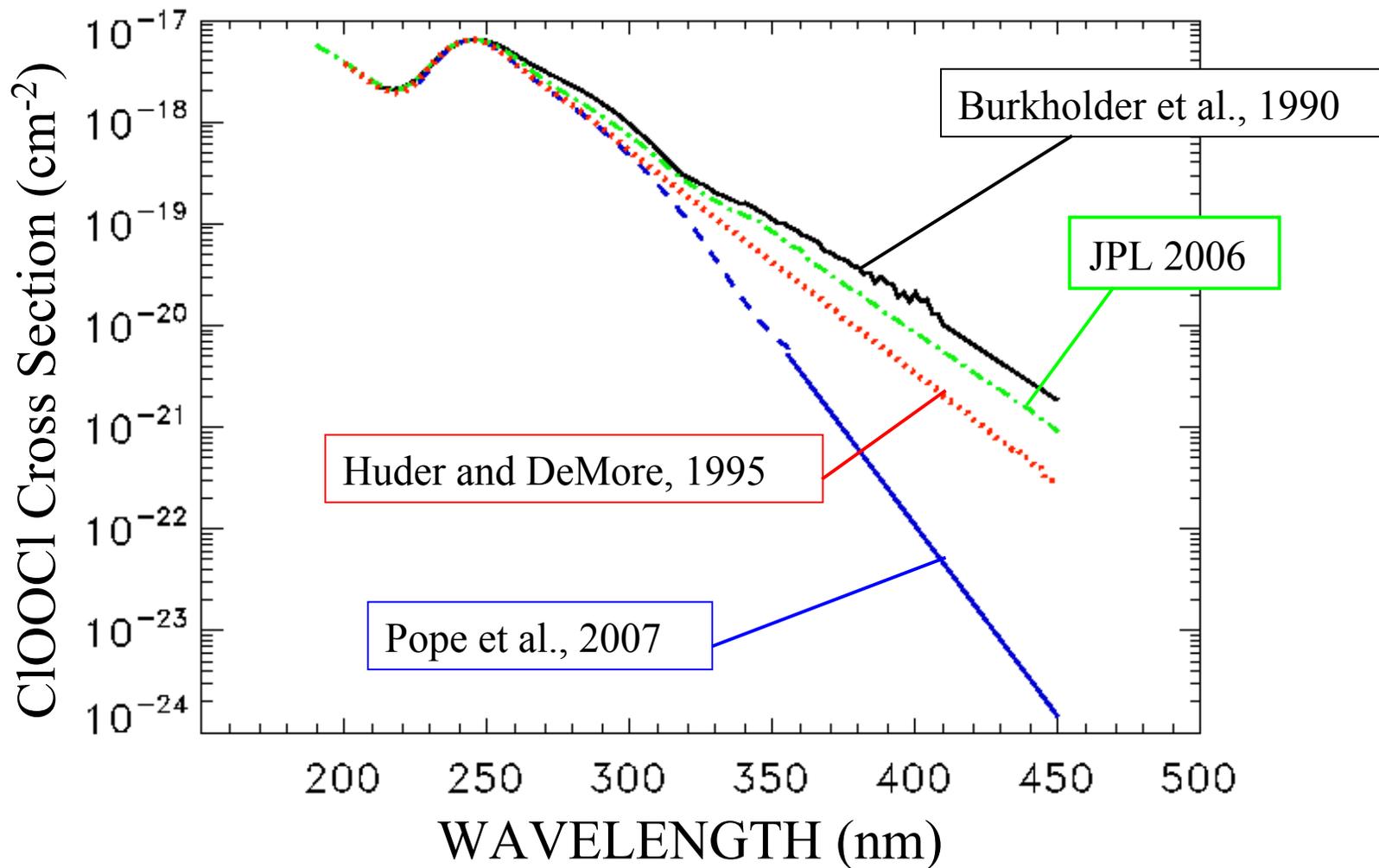
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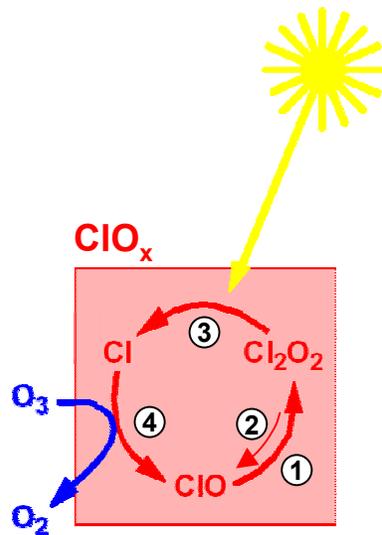
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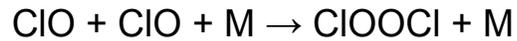
A recent study by Pope *et al.*, *JPC*, 2007 reports new measurements of the ClOOCl cross-section that challenge our understanding of polar chlorine chemistry.



Balance of ClO / ClO_x and ozone loss rate are governed by:



Step (1): Forward Reaction



Step (2): Thermal decomposition



Null Cycle

Step (3): Photolysis



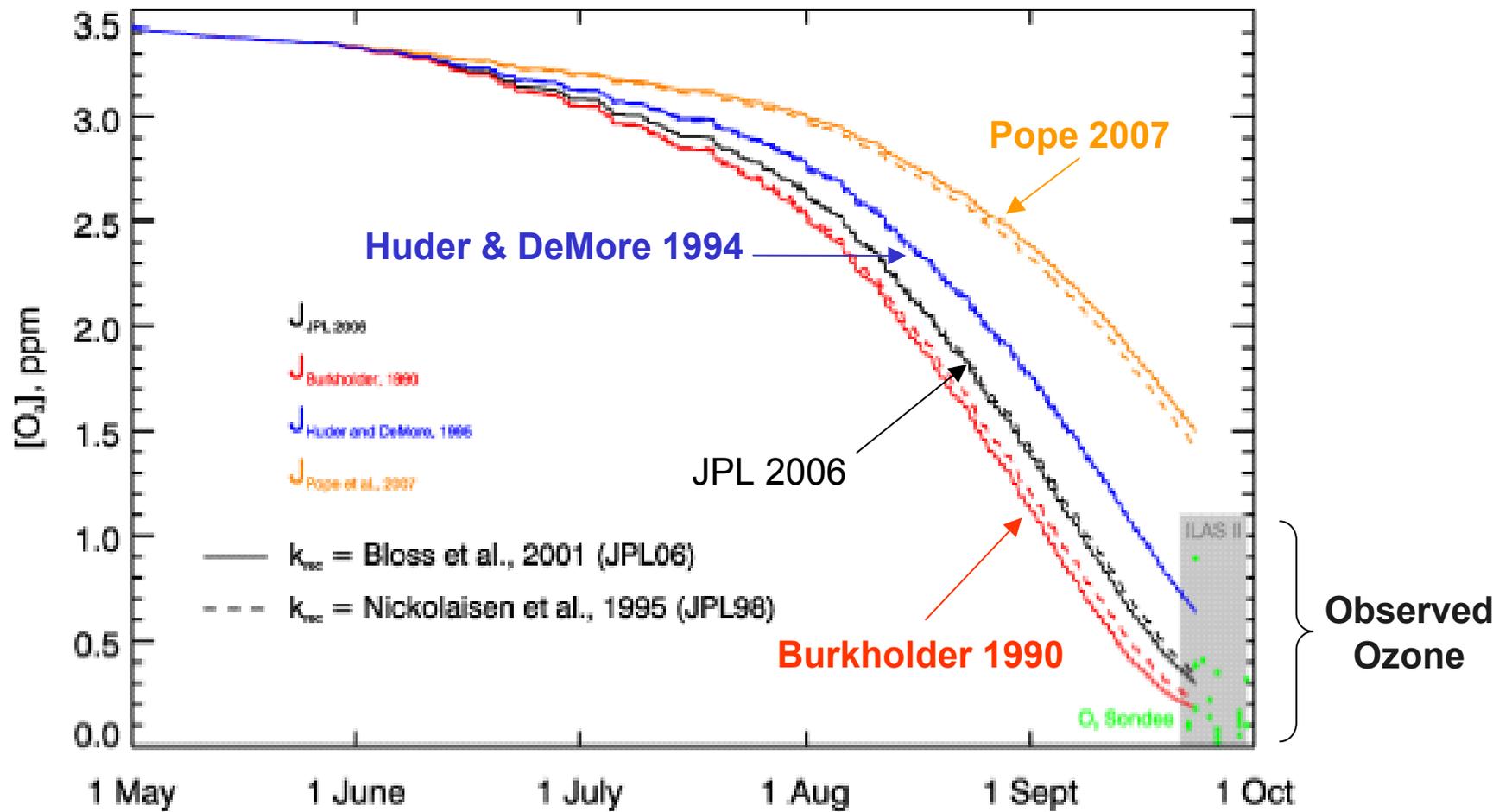
$$\text{Rate} = J \text{ ClOOCI} \times [\text{ClOOCI}]$$

O – O bond reformed here \Rightarrow **rate limiting step for ozone loss**

Step (4): Cl + O₃ \rightarrow ClO + O₂:

Regeneration of ClO

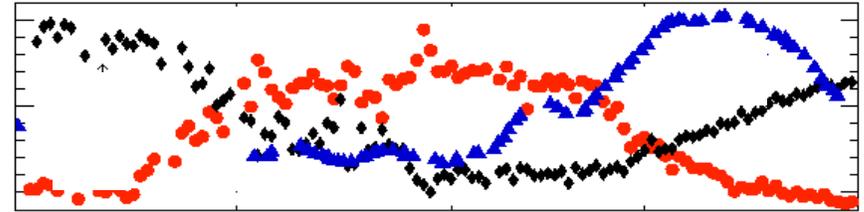
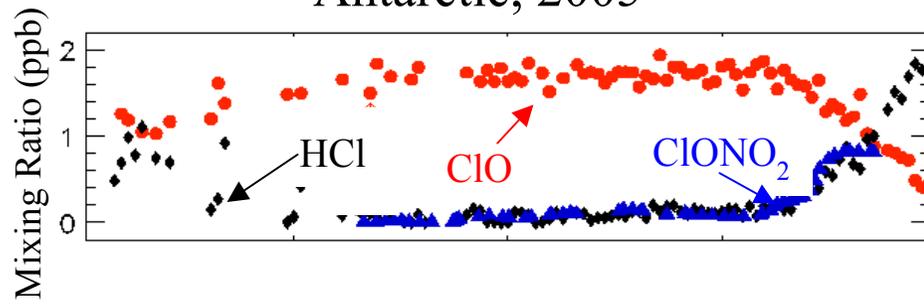
Sensitivity of Antarctic ozone loss to the ClOOCl cross section:



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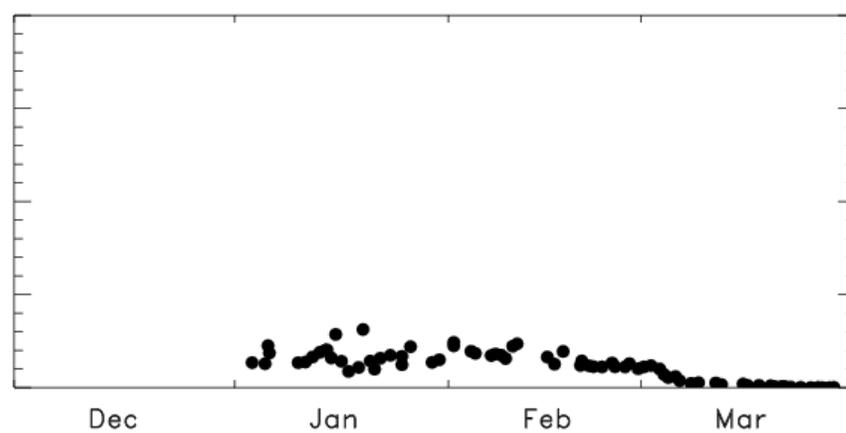
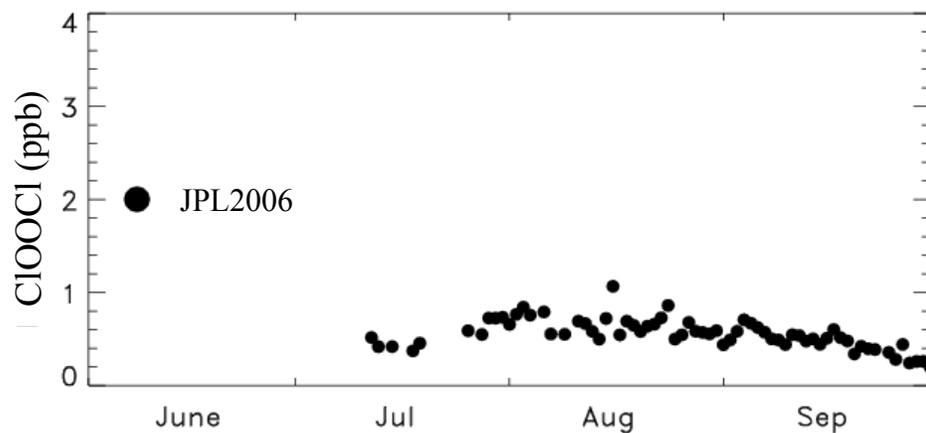
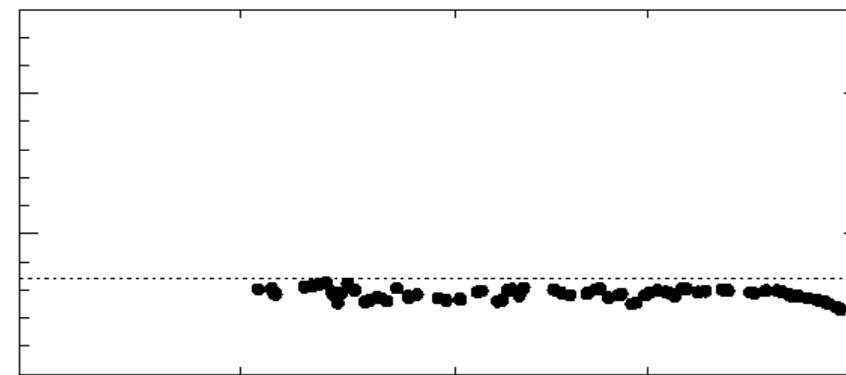
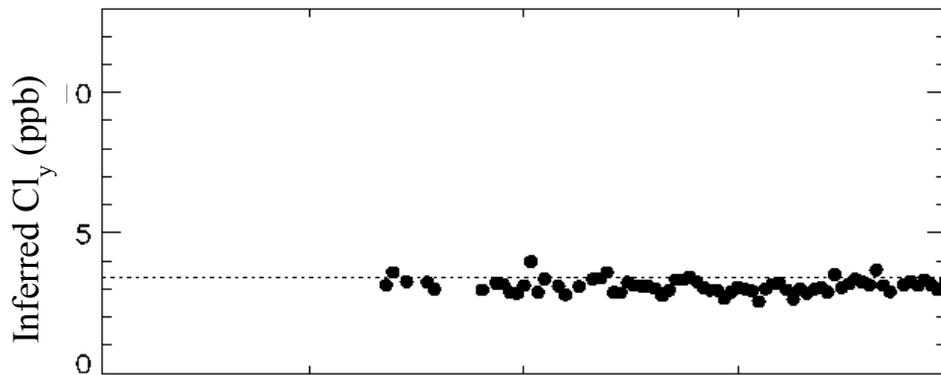
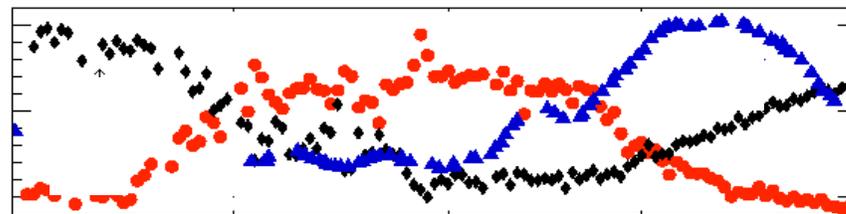
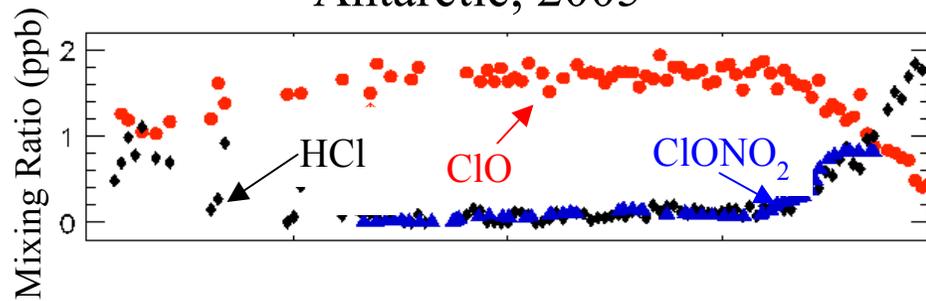
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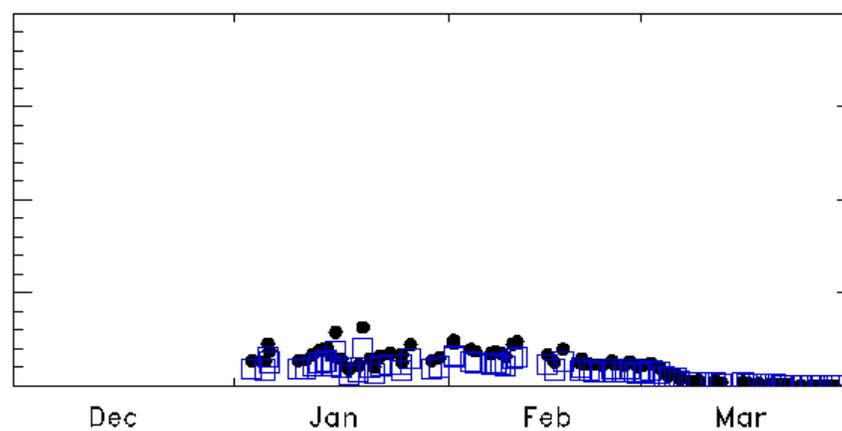
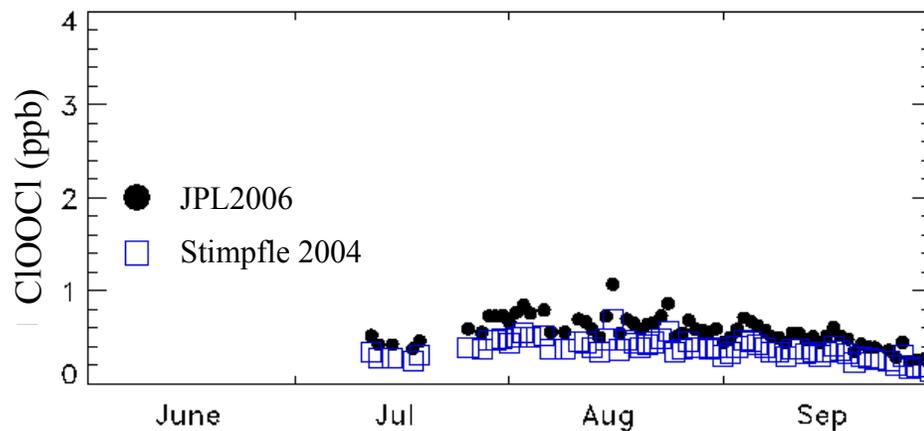
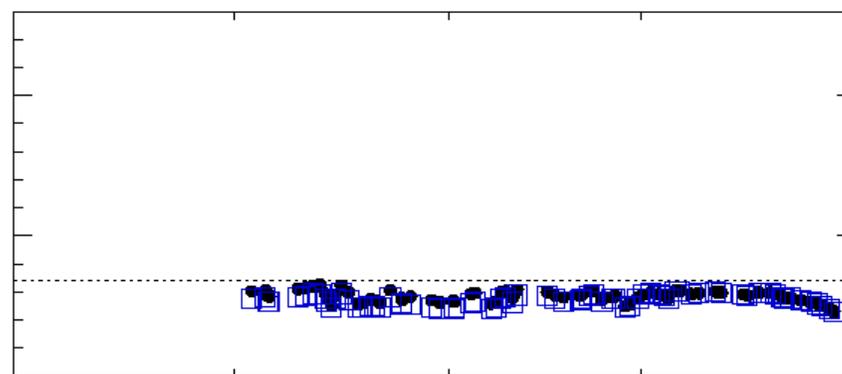
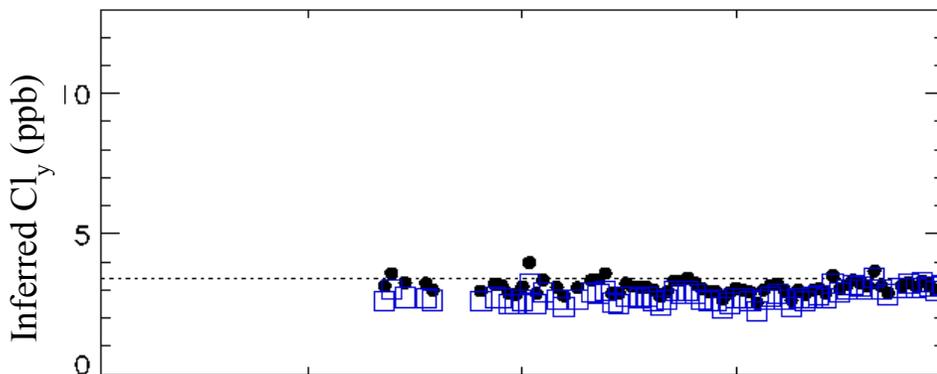
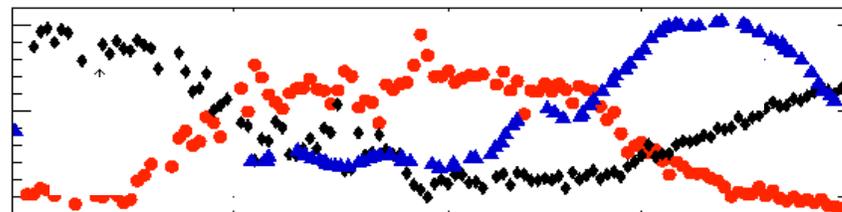
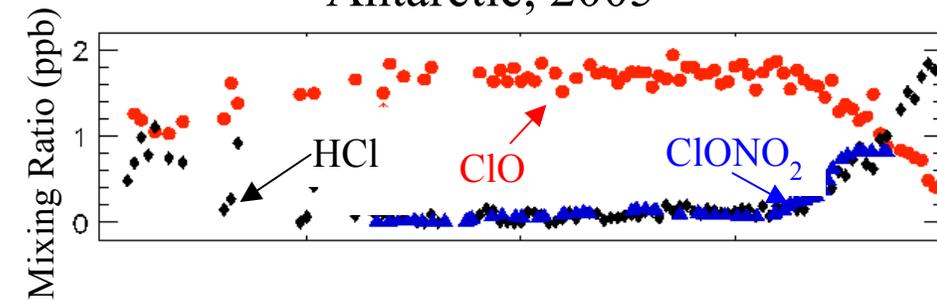


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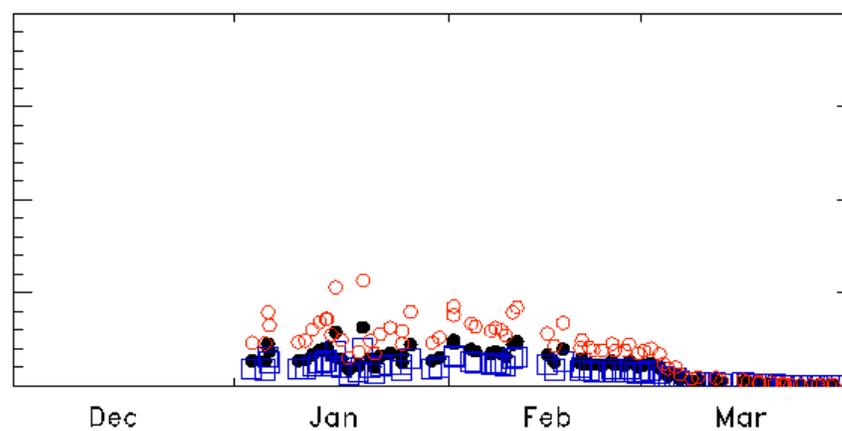
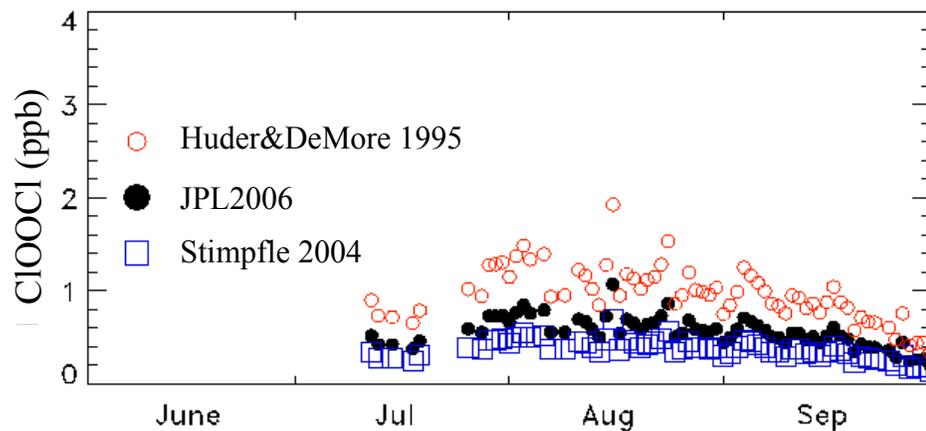
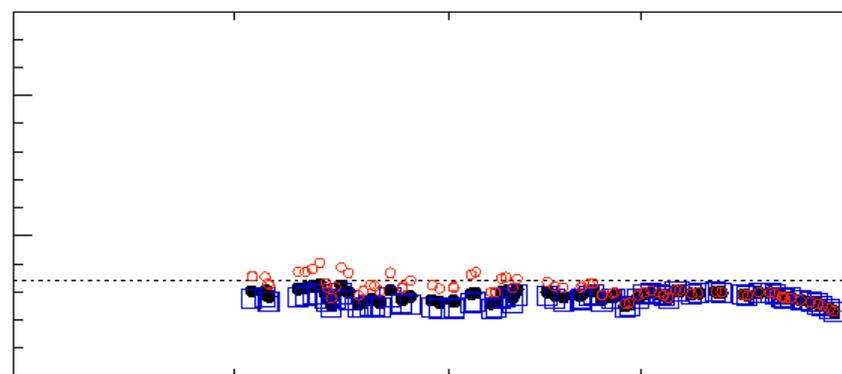
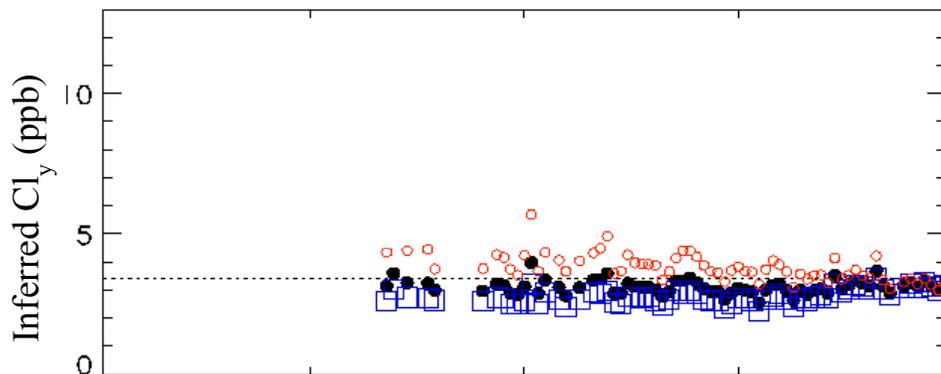
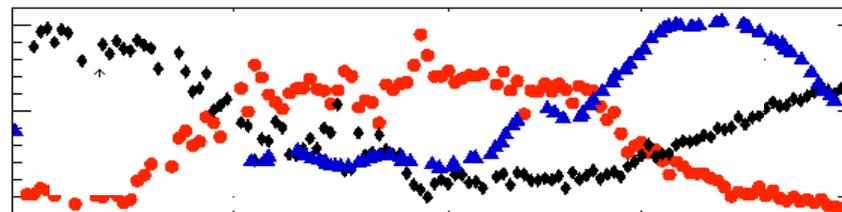
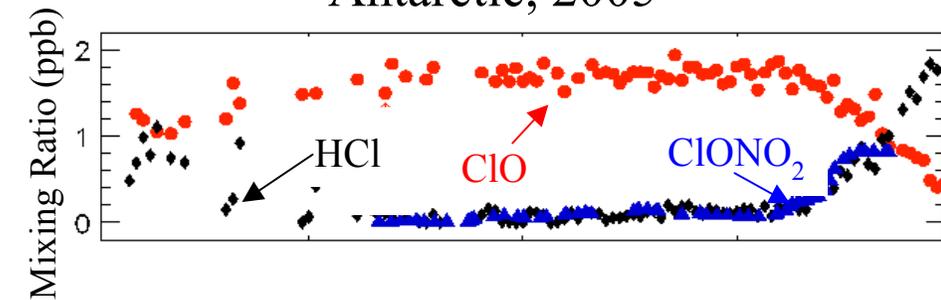
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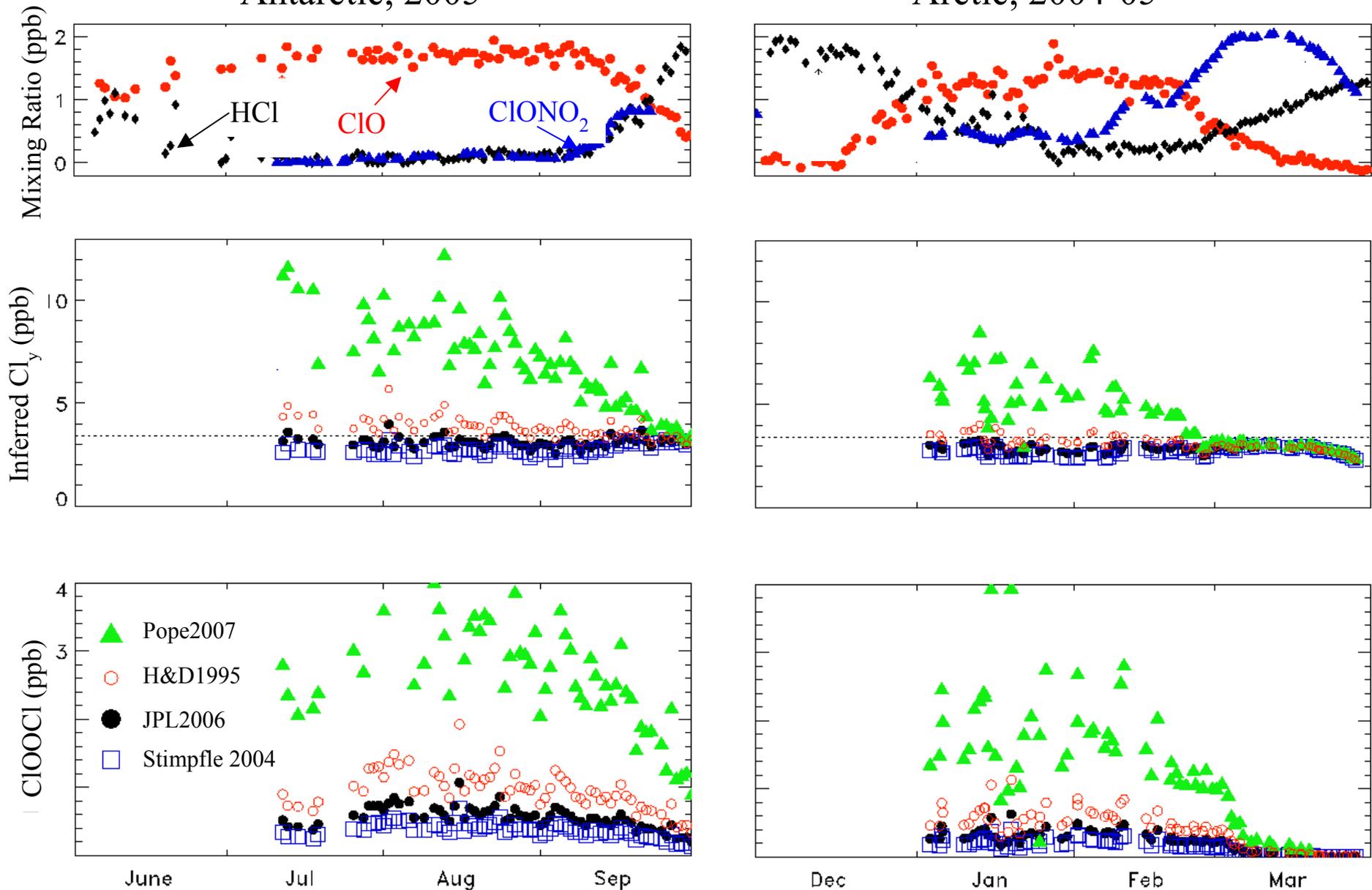
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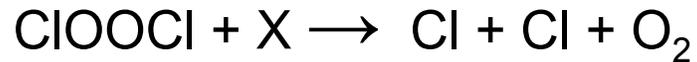
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What is going on ???

Potential mechanisms fall into three categories:

(1) Direct mechanism:



Species X must be a “daytime species”, varying in a UV dependent manner similar to J_{ClOOCl} Burkholder

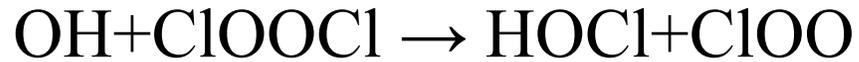
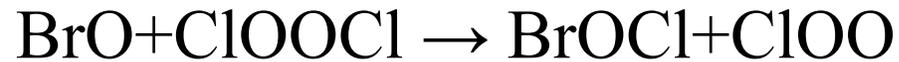
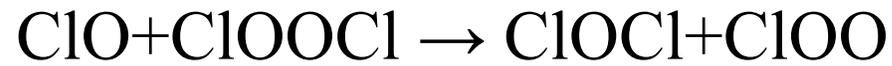
(2) ClOOCl is weakly bonded and can absorb out to 1.3 to 1.6 μm

A photolytic process involving visible or near IR light could be the missing sink for ClOOCl

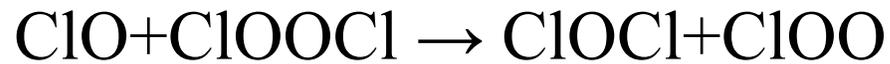
(3) Formation of an unknown nighttime reservoir (Cl^{NIGHT})



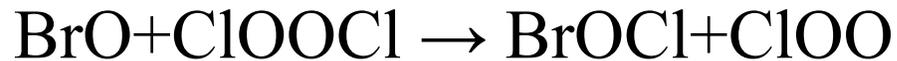
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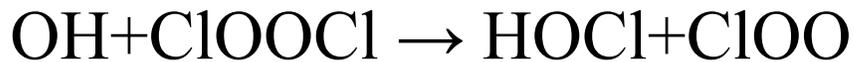
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If fast enough to affect ClOOC1, would have seen in lab (K. Bayes and S. Sander, priv. comm.)



If fast enough, BrOC1 becomes dominant daytime reservoir of BrOx. Inconsistent with atmospheric observation of BrO



New rate constant much too slow (J. Hansen, priv. comm.)

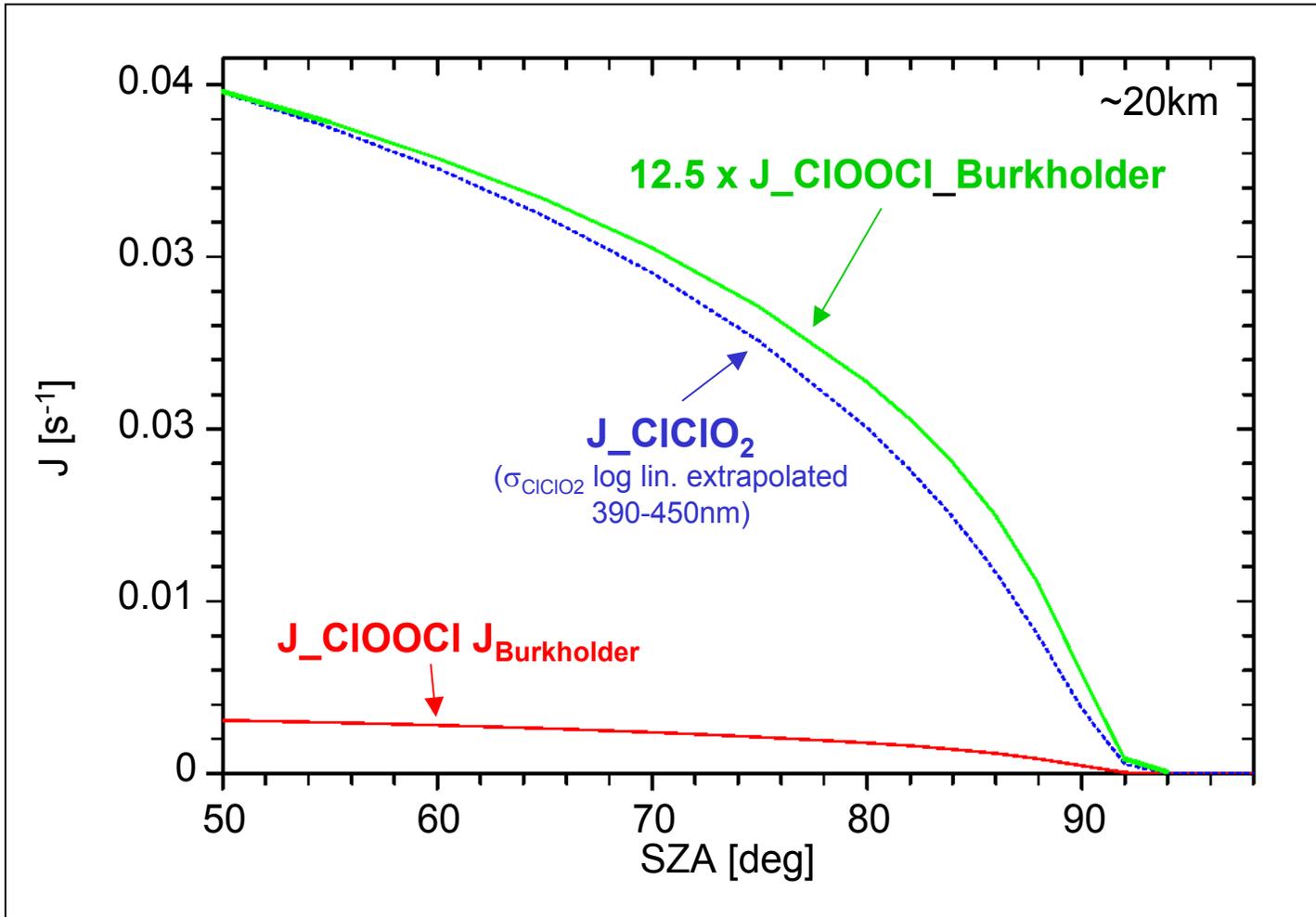
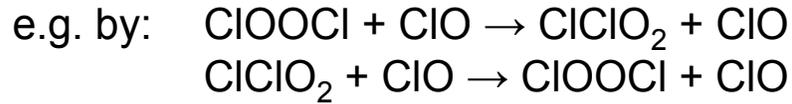


Inconsistent with EUPLEX observations of very high ClO at ~205 K, after recent PSC processing



Inconsistent with diurnal variation of ClO

Rapid equilibrium between ClOOCl and ClClO₂ (Cl-Cl(=O)O)?



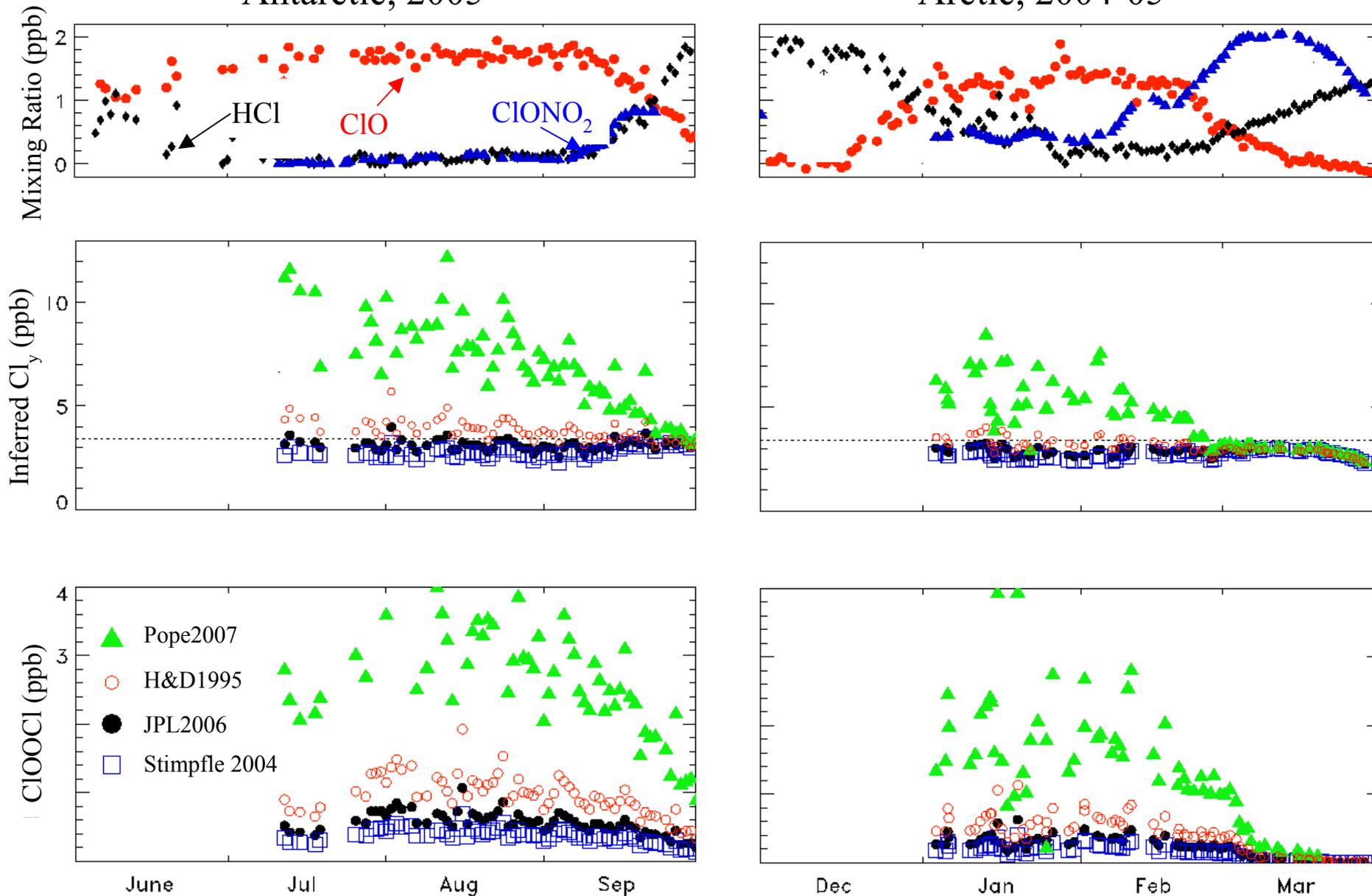
~10% of Cl₂O₂
 in the form of ClClO₂
 leads to “Burkholder like”
 photolysis of the mixture

Temperature dependent
 equilibrium could explain
 SOLVE / EUPLEX
 differences in ClO

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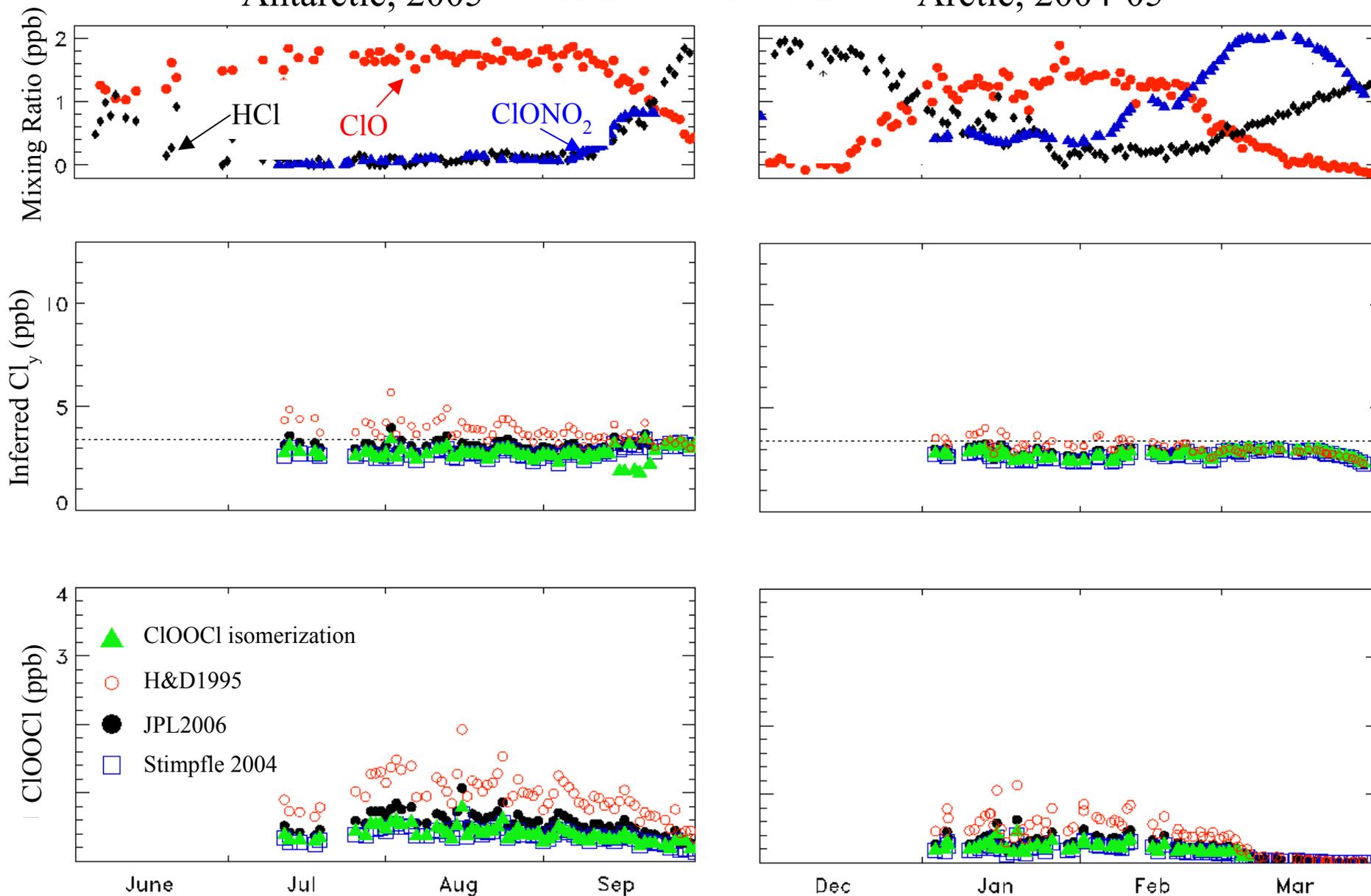
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SOLVE

First measurements of ClOOCl from the ER-2 during SOLVE/THESEO-2000
(Stimpfle *et al.*, *JGR*, 2004)

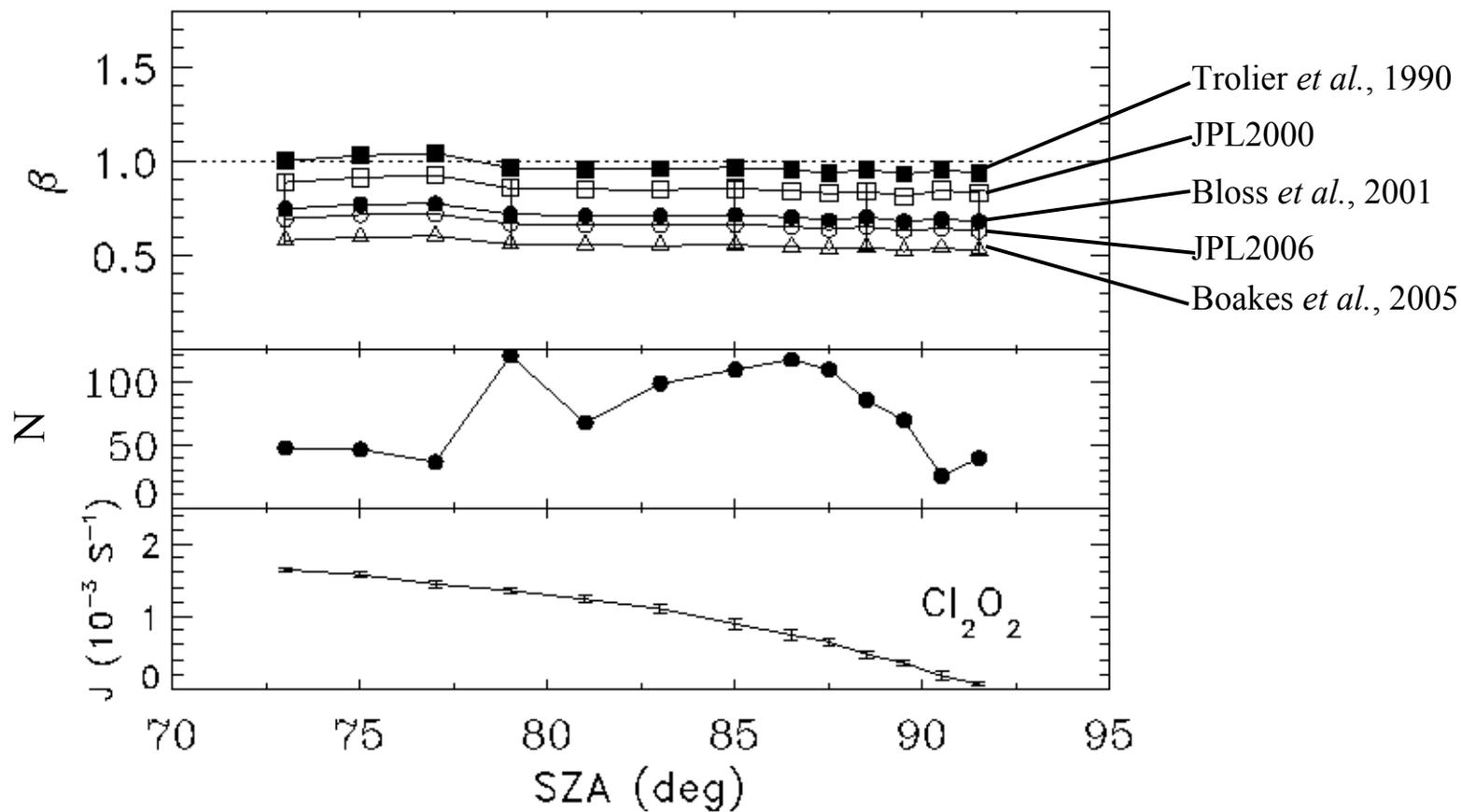
$$\beta \text{ Ratio} = \frac{[\text{ClO model} \times \text{ClO model}] / \text{ClOOCl model}}{[\text{ClO meas} \times \text{ClO meas}] / \text{ClOOCl meas}}$$
$$\approx \frac{(\text{J} / \text{k}_f) \text{ model}}{(\text{J} / \text{k}_f) \text{ actual}}$$

A value of $\beta=1$ indicates good agreement between observations and models

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$J_{\text{ClOOCl}} = \text{JPL06}$

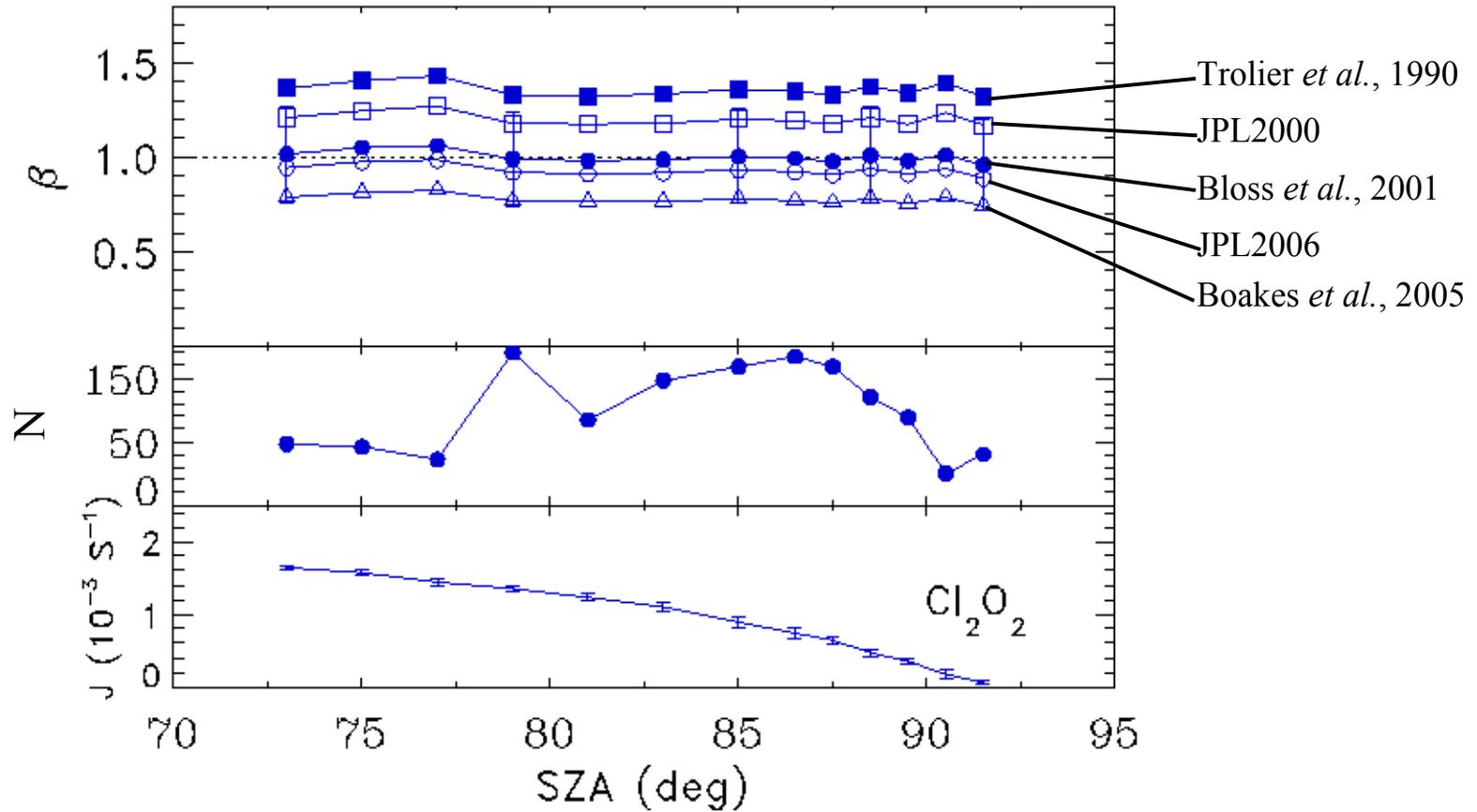
K_f



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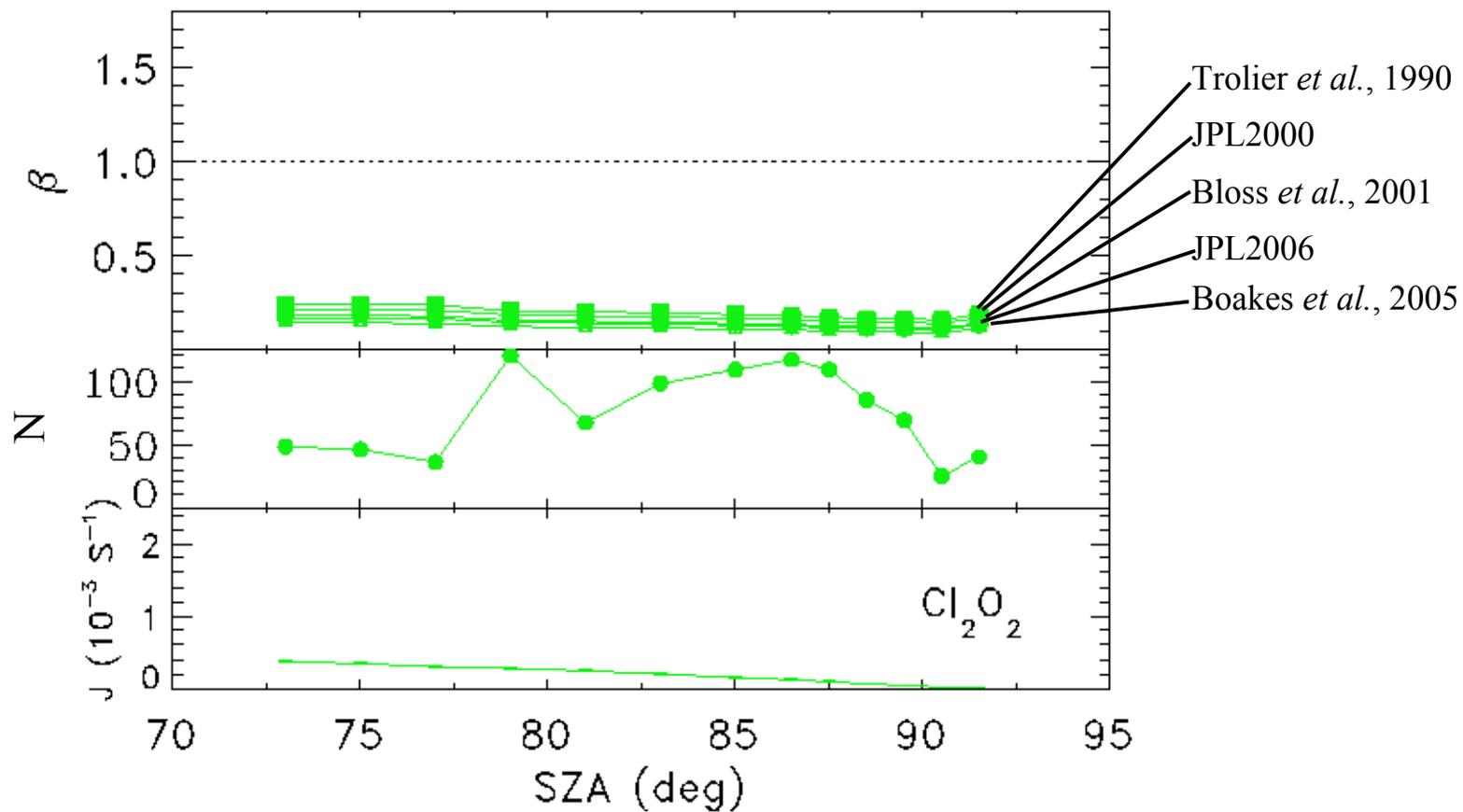
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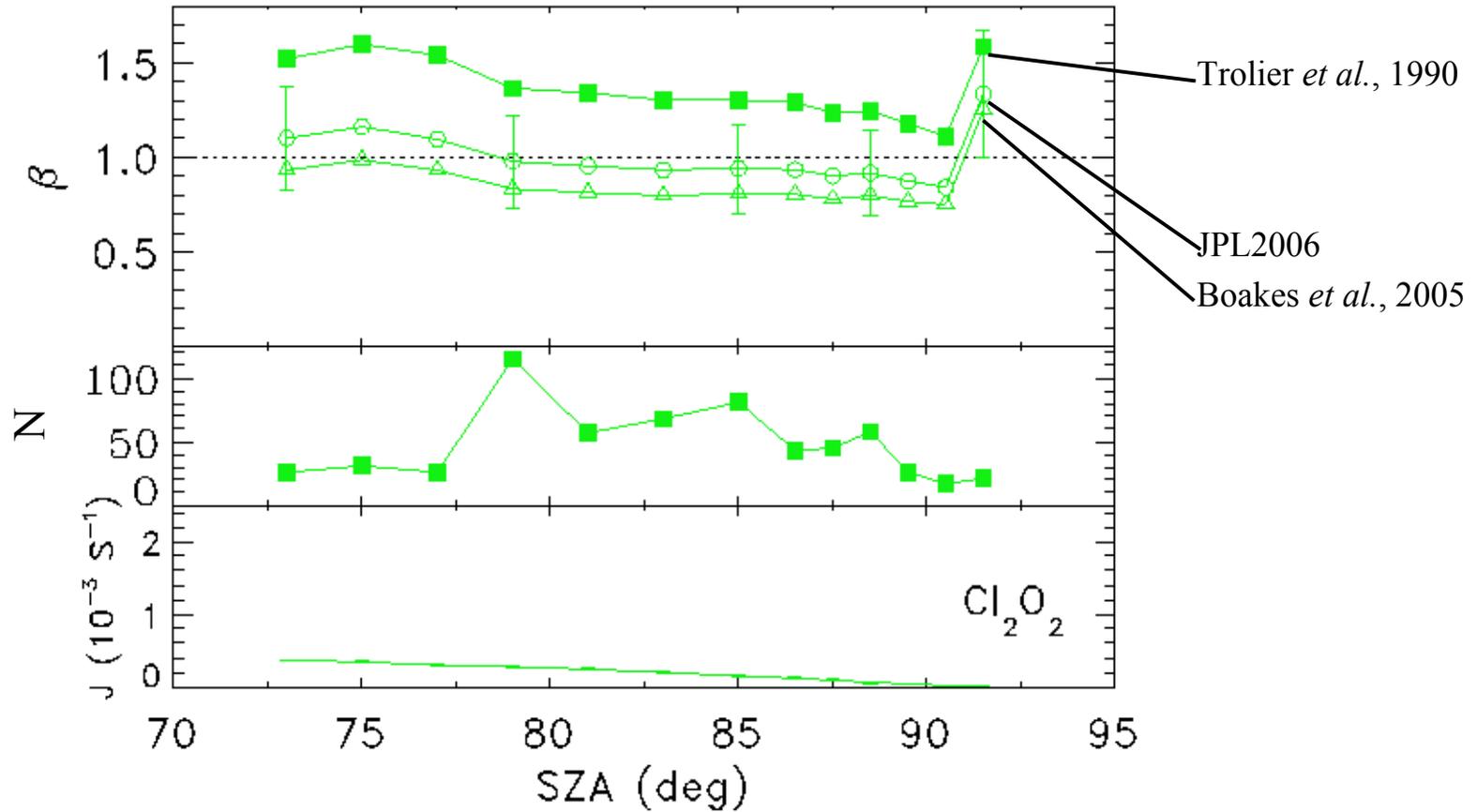
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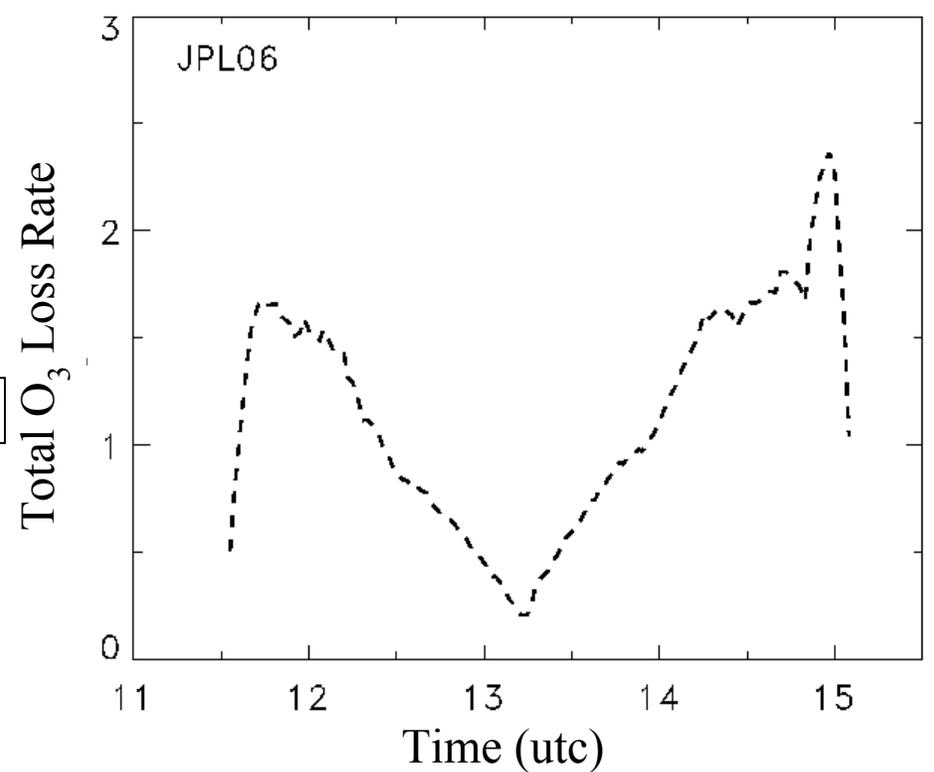
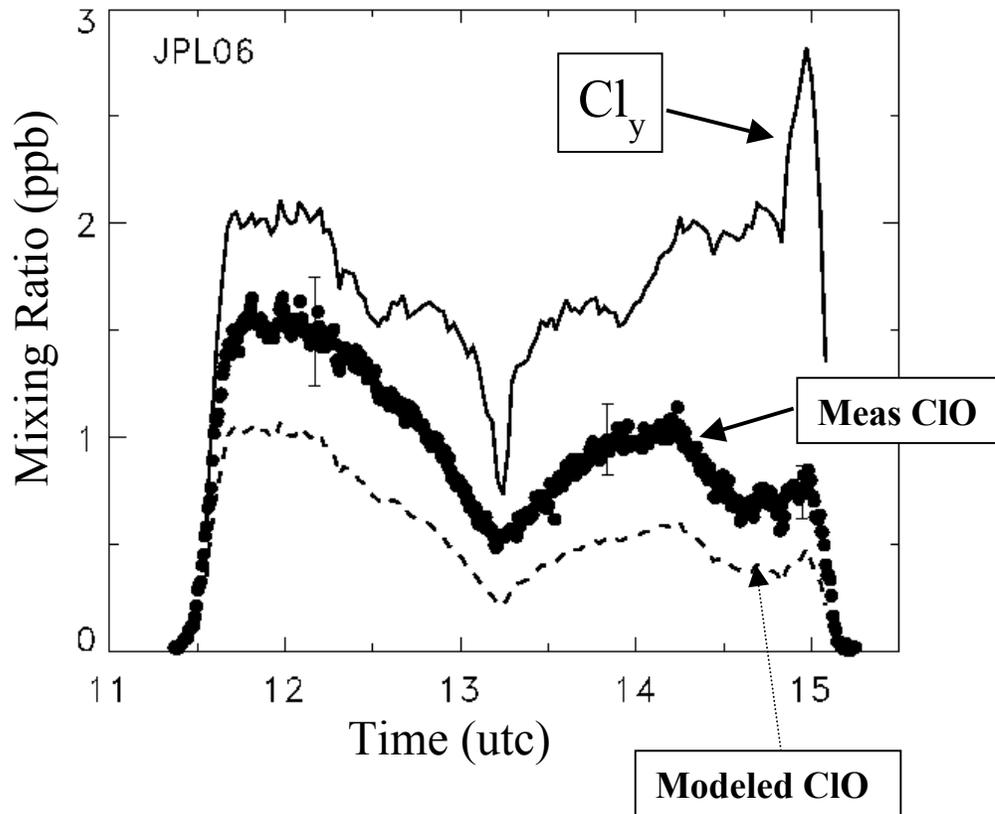
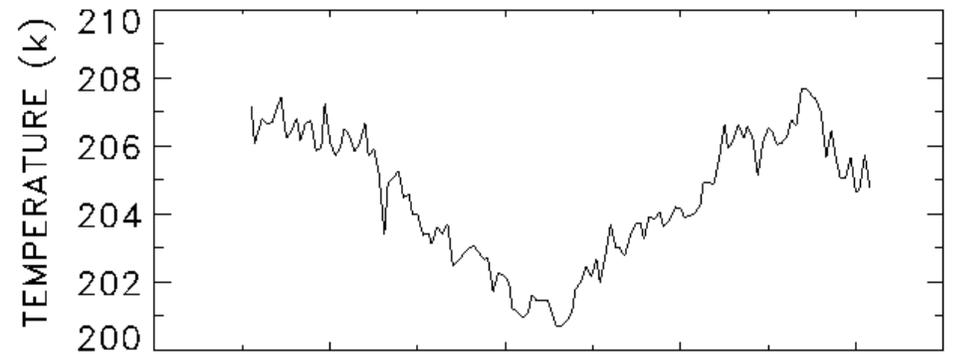
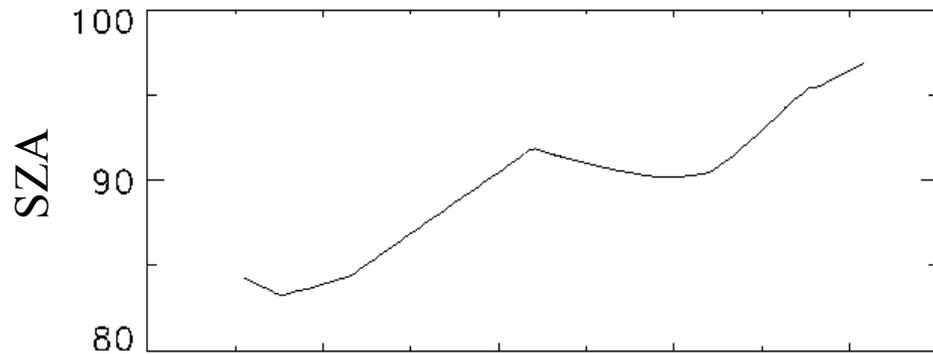
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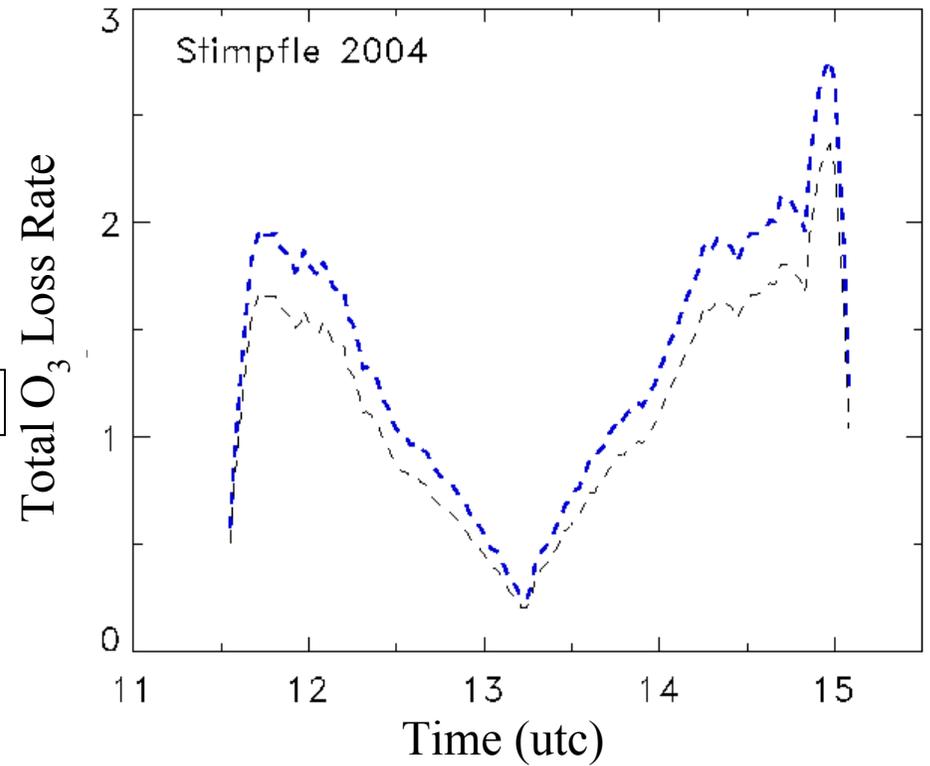
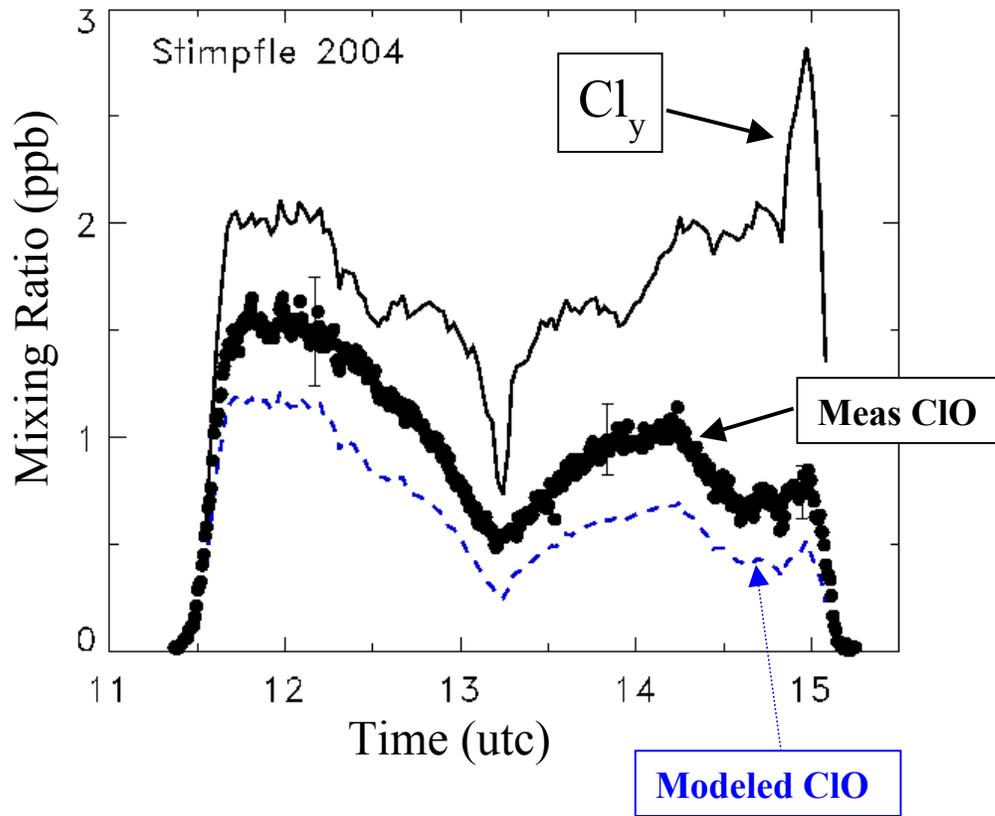
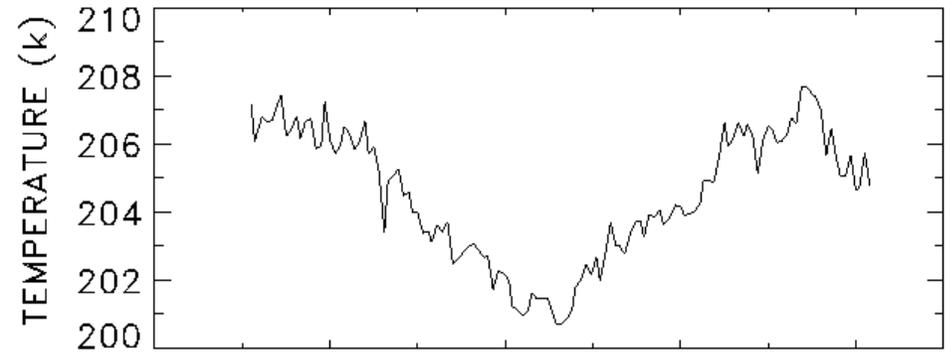
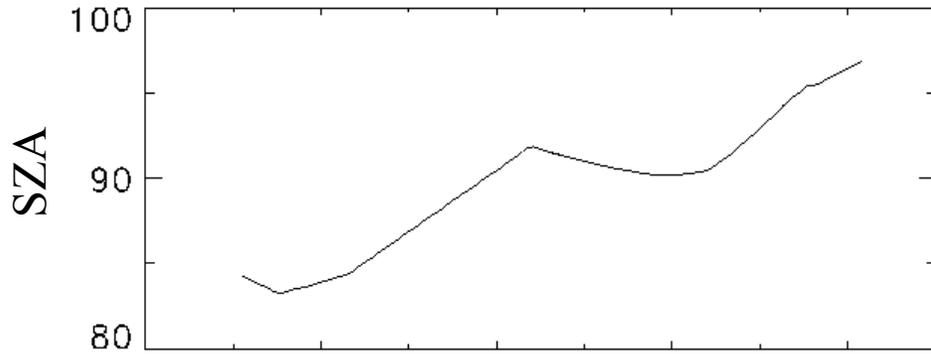


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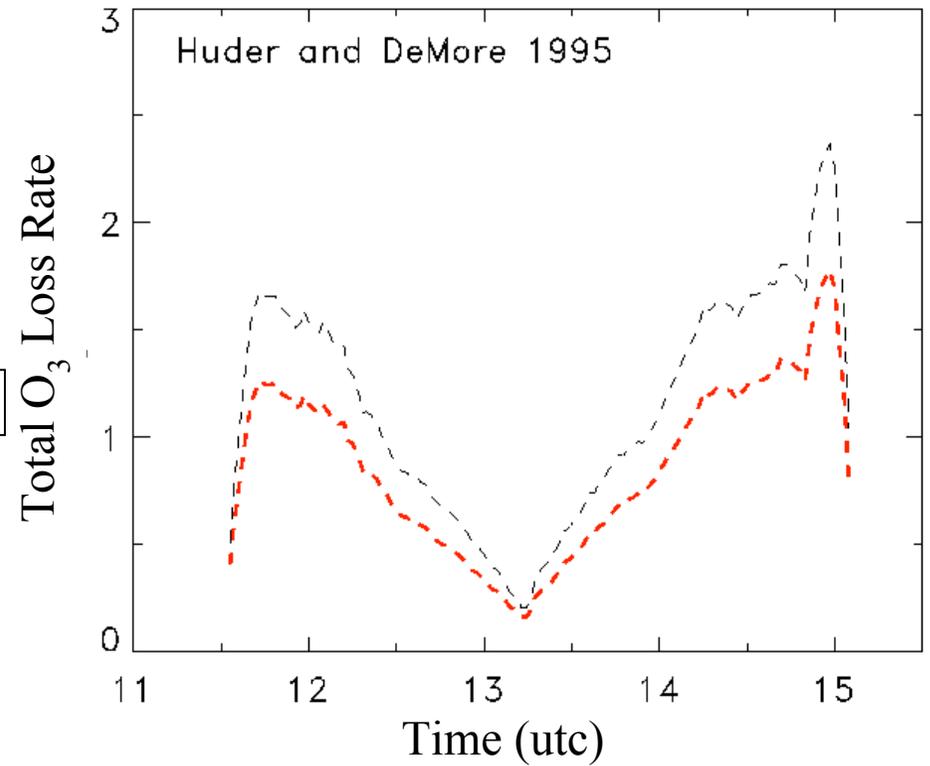
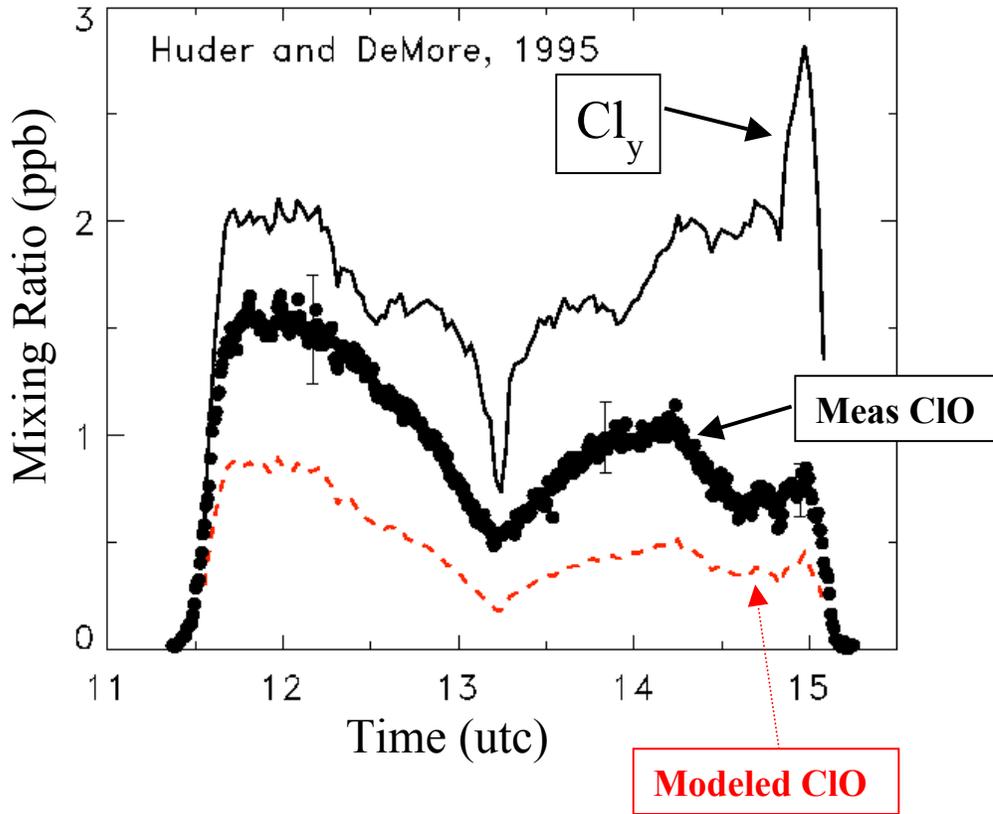
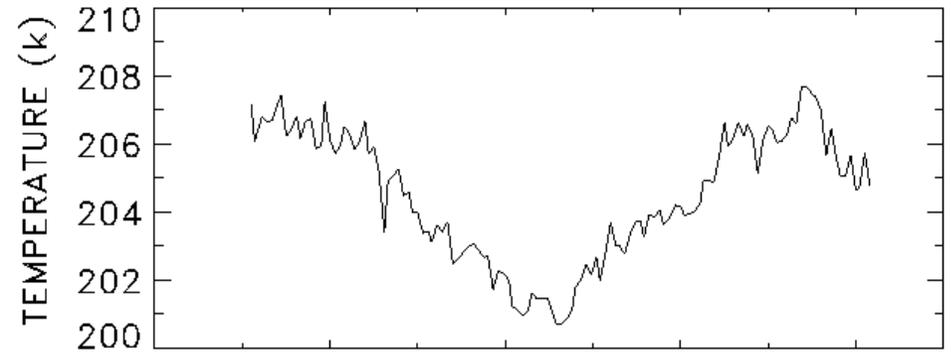
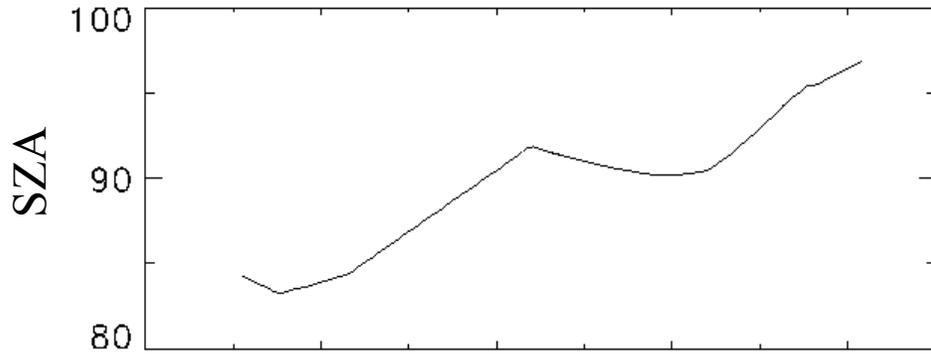
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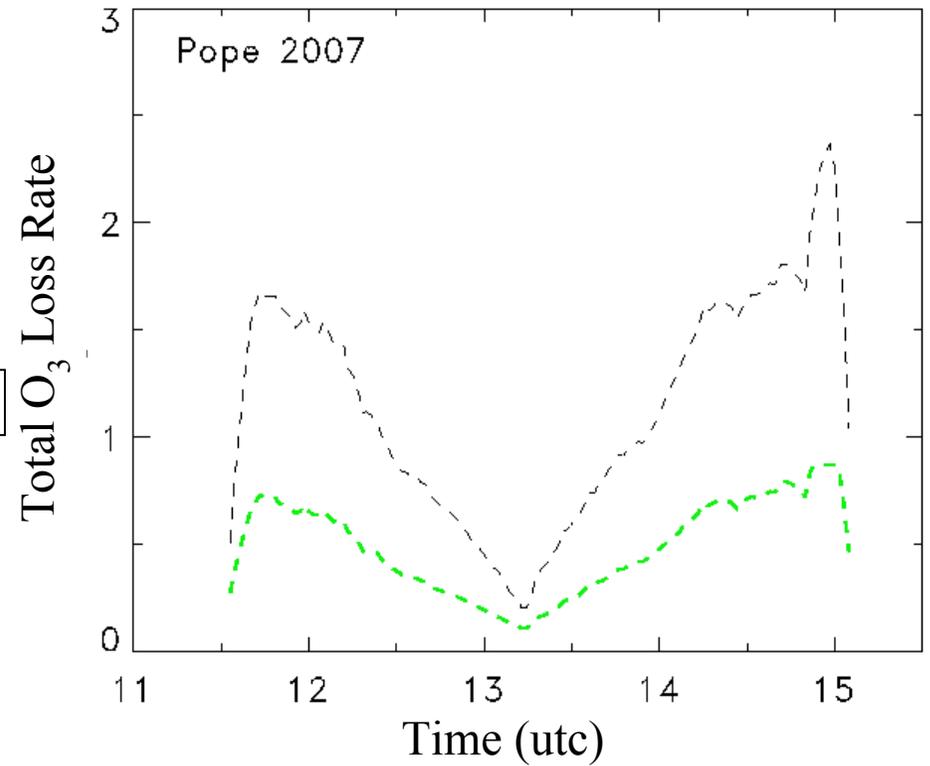
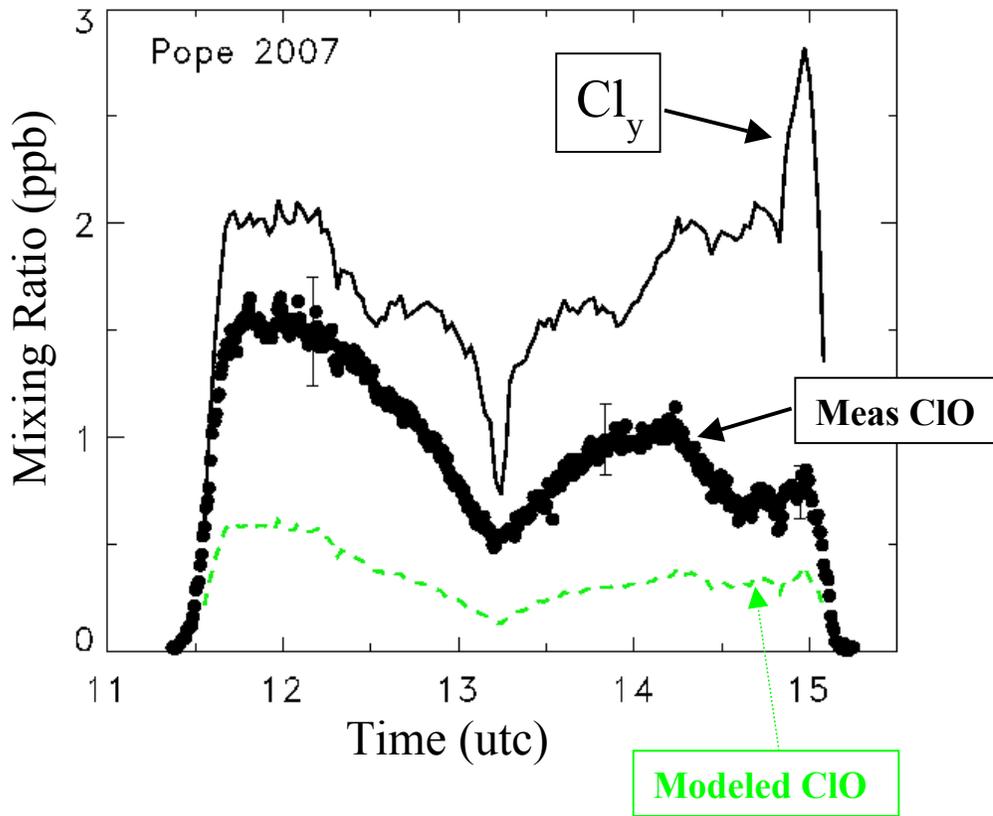
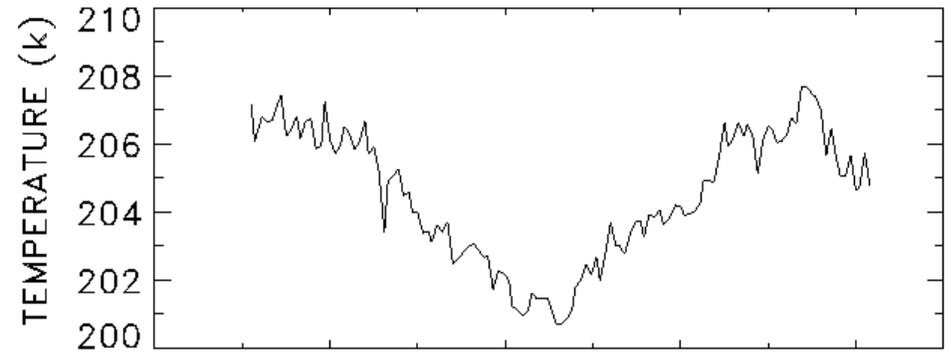
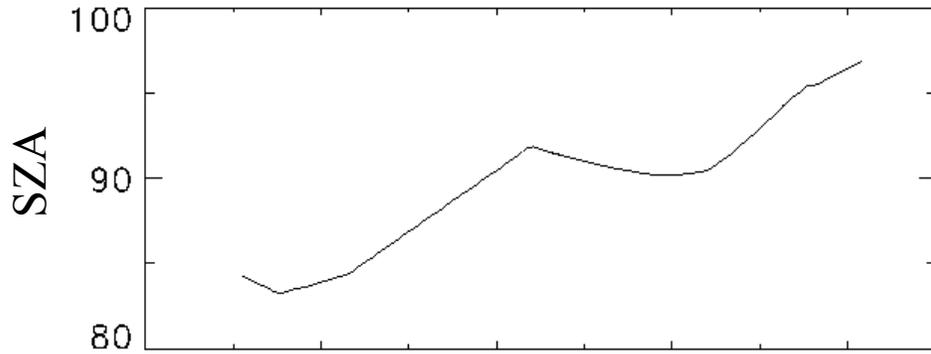
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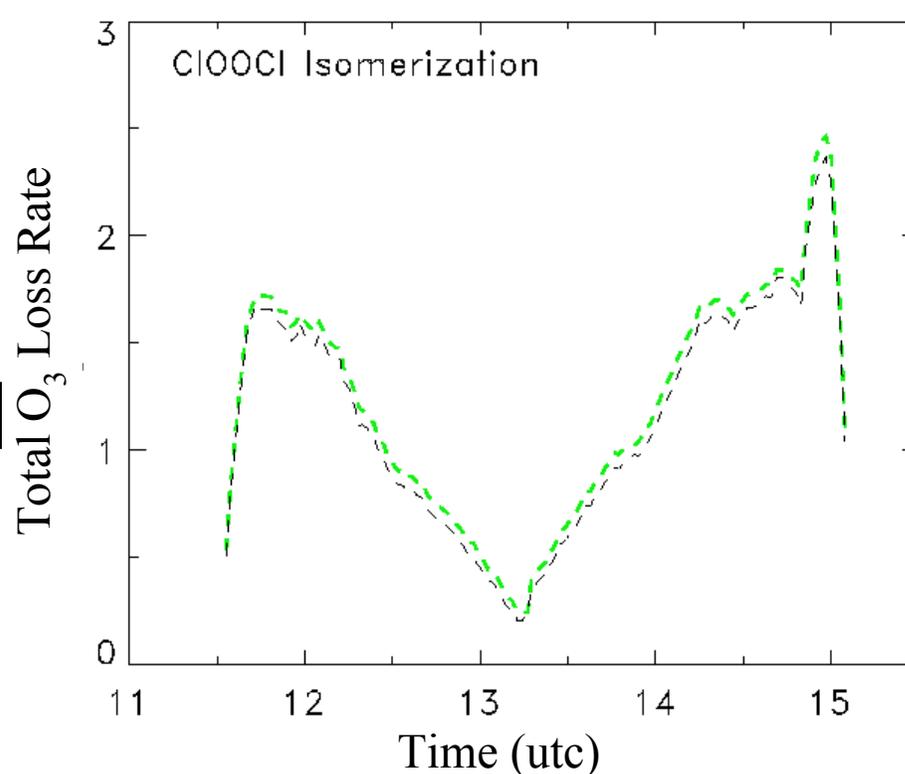
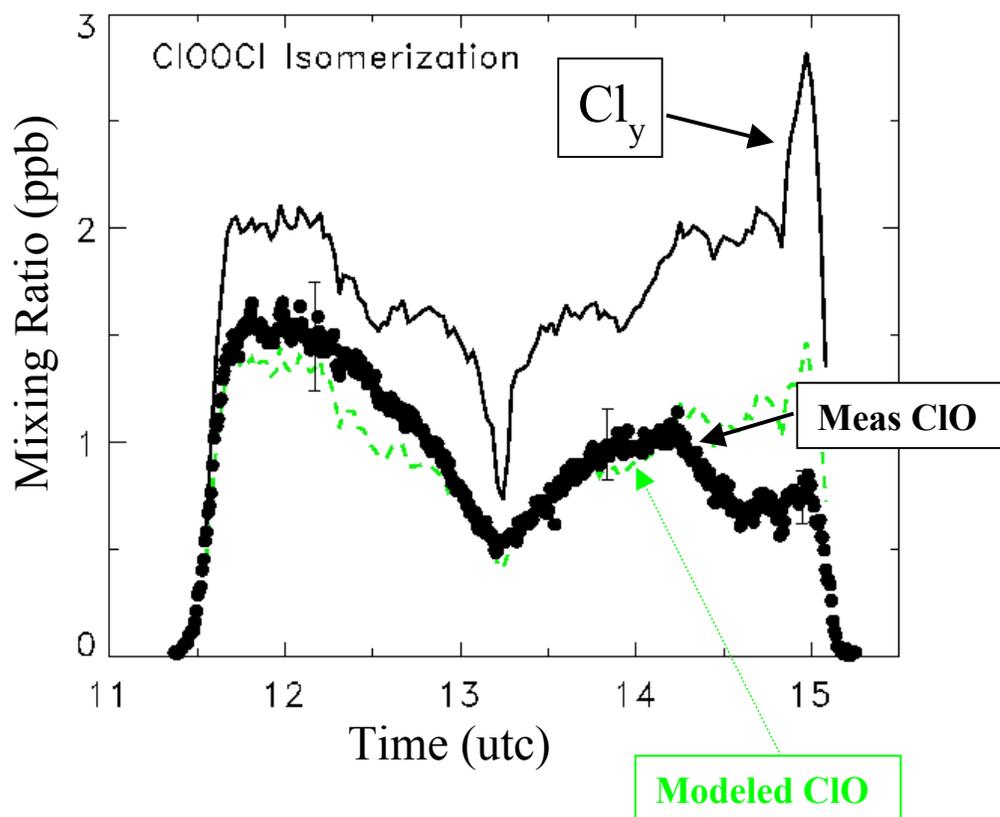
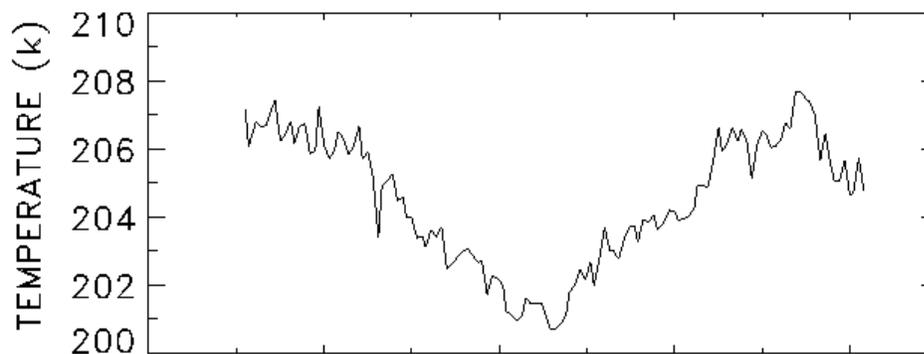
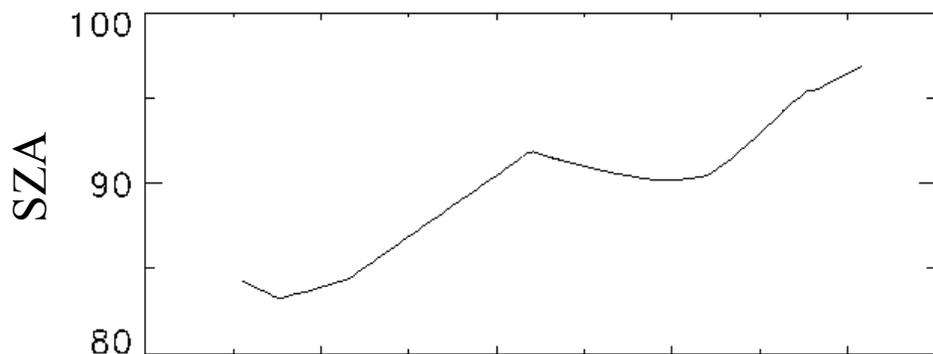
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Conclusions

1. New measurements of the ClOOCl cross section by Pope et al., 2007 reduce both modeled ClO and polar O₃ loss, leading to large discrepancies with observations.
2. A process that converts ClOOCl into a species that undergoes fast photolysis and re-creates the O₂ bond can potentially resolve both discrepancies.
3. A focused effort of laboratory experimentalists and theorists, field measurement investigators, and modelers is needed to reconcile theory and observation of polar ozone loss.

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SPARC Workshop / Study: *The Role of Halogens in Ozone Depletion*

Purpose: This new SPARC Initiative will have three principal objectives:

- Evaluate the consequence of new data on the photolysis rate of the ClO dimer on simulations of stratospheric ozone depletion, particular in winter polar regions.
- Evaluate old and new results from laboratory studies of the photolysis rate and the type of further studies that are necessary to resolve current differences.
- Assess qualitative / quantitative evidence from the laboratory, field observations, and models that links ozone depletion to stratospheric active chlorine / bromine amounts.

Deliverables: A white paper describing the first two objectives and a peer-reviewed manuscript addressing the third objective.

Timeline: Next 6-8 months for the workshop; 12-18 months for deliverables.

The completion date for objective #3, in particular, is critical to the 2010 UNEP/WMO Ozone Assessment (expected to begin in late 2008 / early 2009)

Participants: Laboratory Experimentalists and Theorists, Field Experimental Investigators (Ground, Balloon, Aircraft, Satellite), and Modelers.

Venue: TBD (possibly multiple)

Organization: Co-Chaired by Michael Kurylo (NASA) & Björn-Martin Sinnhuber (U. Bremen); a Steering Committee is being assembled; announcement to be issued soon.

Please let us know of your interest in participating (you might be invited anyway)!

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