

# Homogenized Ground-based and Profile Ozone Datasets from TOAR-II/HEGIFTOM: Methods and Station Trends

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- **WHY Is HEGIFTOM (Harmonization and Evaluation of Ground-based Instruments for Free Tropospheric Ozone Measurements) so important in Ozone (TOAR II) & Climate Assessments?**
- **HEGIFTOM: WHAT, HOW, WHERE. Data Status.**
- **Preliminary Global ozonesonde FT column trends (4-8 km) for TOAR II by two statistical methods (QR and MLR)**
- **Summary: Trends to date (Sonde) for 1998-2021 show:**
  - ***Zero-moderate changes globally, independent of statistical method***
  - ***Mid-latitude trends appear to include FT O<sub>3</sub> losses & increases***
  - ***In cases of FT O<sub>3</sub> increases, rates are typically higher in tropics than mid-latitudes***
- **References**



## HEGIFTOM: IGAC/TOAR II Activity, Co-Leads: R. van Malderen & H. G. J. Smit

Alternative to still-evolving satellite TrOC (tropospheric ozone column) products:

- FT ozone from 5 ground-based instruments types, most from NDACC & related networks: **in-service aircraft [IAGOS], ozonesondes, FTIR, Brewer/Dobson Umkehr, Lidar (Photos, Right)**
- Rigorously, regularly calibrated against absolute standards
- Common protocols for data re-processing ensure harmonized time-series, with artifacts removed. Selected contributing networks
- Each measurement is delivered with ***uncertainty*** and a ***quality flag***
- ***This Study: Preliminary Report on O<sub>3</sub> trends with FT TrOC, 4-8 km, extracted from ozonesondes***



IAGOS



Ozonesondes



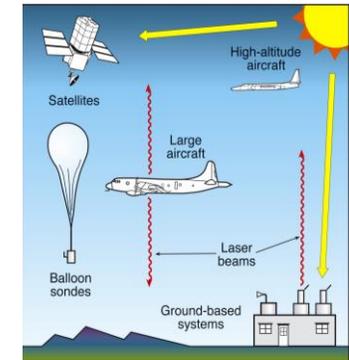
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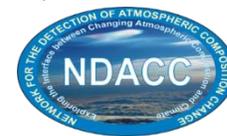
FTIR



Lidar



FT, 4-8 km



<http://hegiftom.meteo.be/datasets>

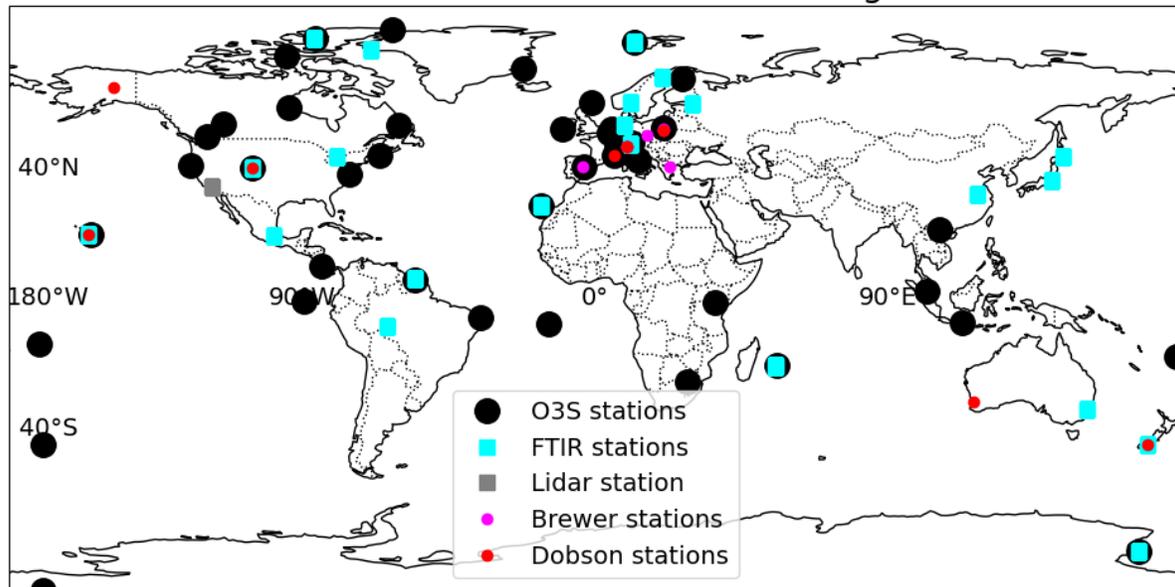




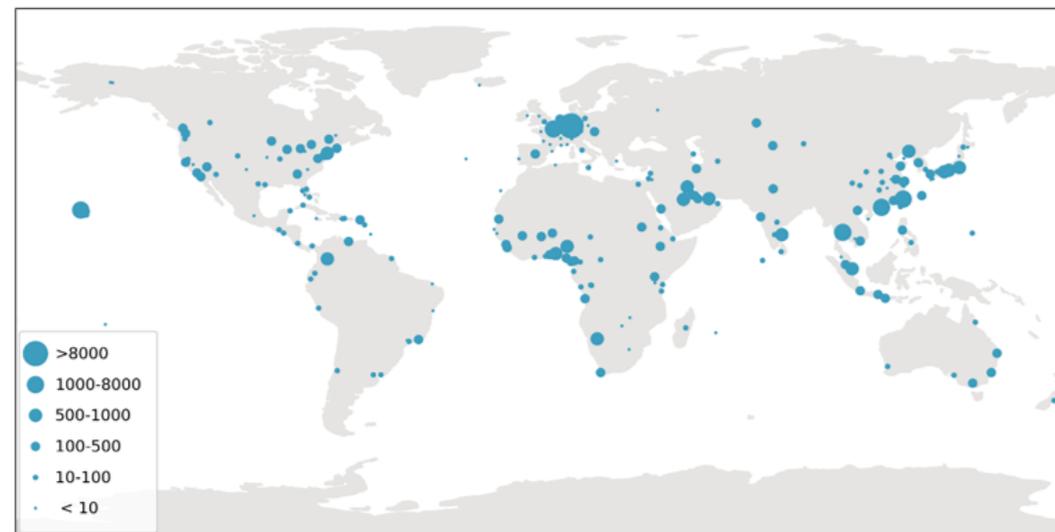
# WHERE: HEGIFTOM Data from NDACC & Affiliated Networks (SHADOZ, WMO/GAW, IAGOS)



Global Observation Network Sites Contributing to HEGIFTOM



IAGOS Airports since 20110708



Credit: Left, D. Kollonige; Right, IAGOS

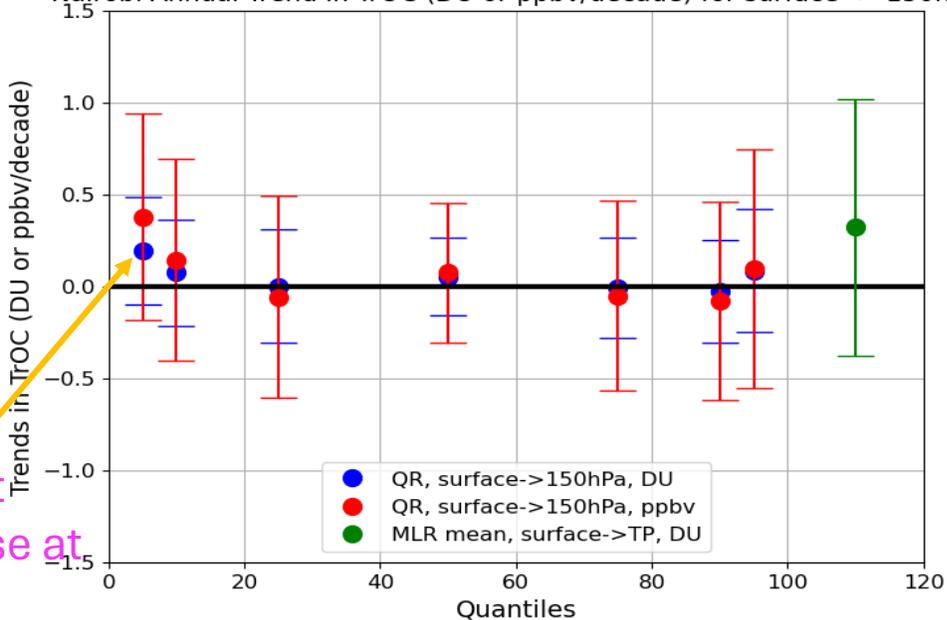
- Many FTIR stations (**Left**) coincide with ozonesondes, some have Dobson or Brewer: “super sites”. Trends consistency among multi-site instruments to be evaluated
- In tropics, sonde, IAGOS (**Right**) trends & satellite comparisons underway (Gaudel et al., 2023; Kollonige et al., Paper A21H-2369)
- Sonde-IAGOS co-located profiles evaluated (Tarasick et al., 2019; @ IAGOS Users, 11/23)



# HEGIFTOM Trends. Input & Guidelines

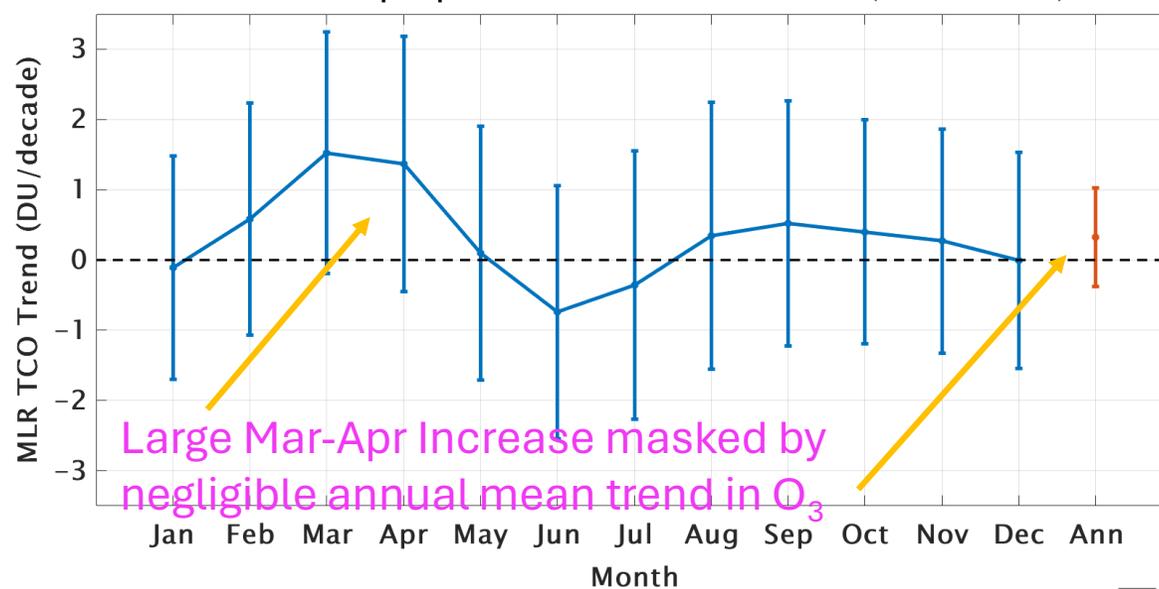


Nairobi Annual Trend in TrOC (DU or ppbv/decade) for surface -> 150hPa



Largest Increase at Low O<sub>3</sub>

Nairobi Tropospheric Column MLR Trends (1998-2021)



Large Mar-Apr Increase masked by negligible annual mean trend in O<sub>3</sub>

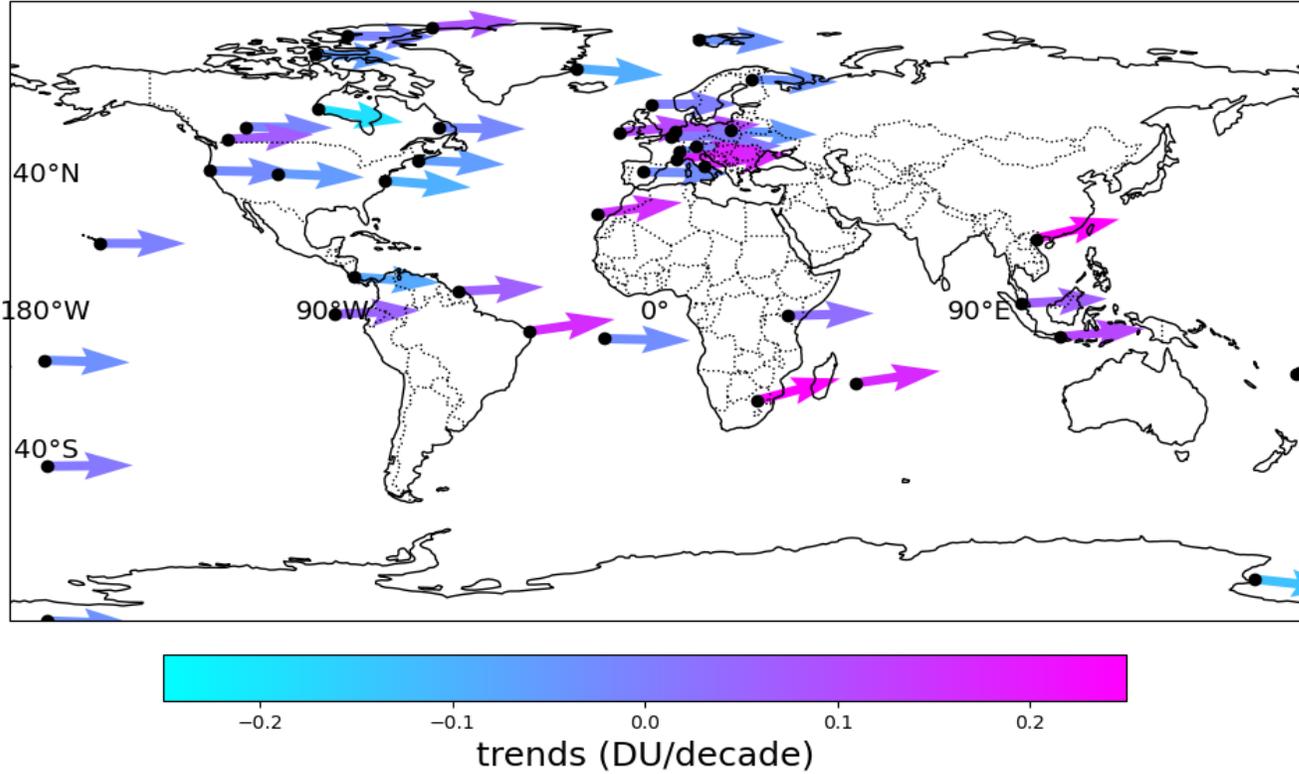
- Recommended TOAR II statistical approach is Quantile Regression (QR) with NOAA-provided test code, e.g., K-L Chang et al., Paper 51D-0602
- Alternative: Multiple-Linear Regression (MLR) as used in Thompson et al., 2021 & Stauffer et al., Paper A21H-2368. MLR is standard of stratospheric ozone Assessment community
- Above example for a typical SHADOZ station shows merits of each approach. QR gives insights into low-mid-ozone-O<sub>3</sub> profiles. Monthly means from MLR give insight into meteorological or chemical signatures responsible for O<sub>3</sub> trends



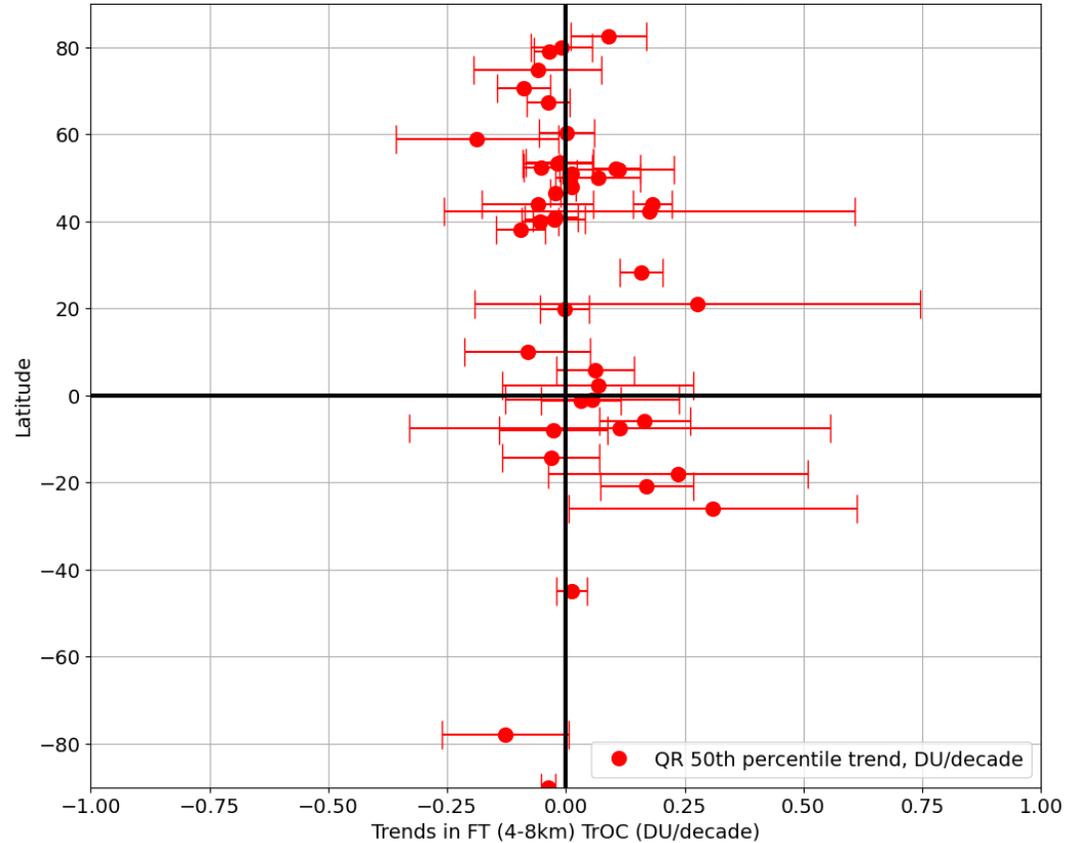
# TREND RESULT 1. MEDIAN TRENDS WITH QR

- Sonde (black points), 50-%ile median profiles, analyzed with QR over 24 yrs, 1998-2021
- Mid-upper FT segment, 4-8 km, negative-> no trend in blue colors on map.
- **With few exceptions, changes are < 0.25 DU/dec, positive OR negative, all latitudes**

Global Ozonesonde QR Median Trend (1998-2021) in TrOC (DU/decade) for FT (4-8km)

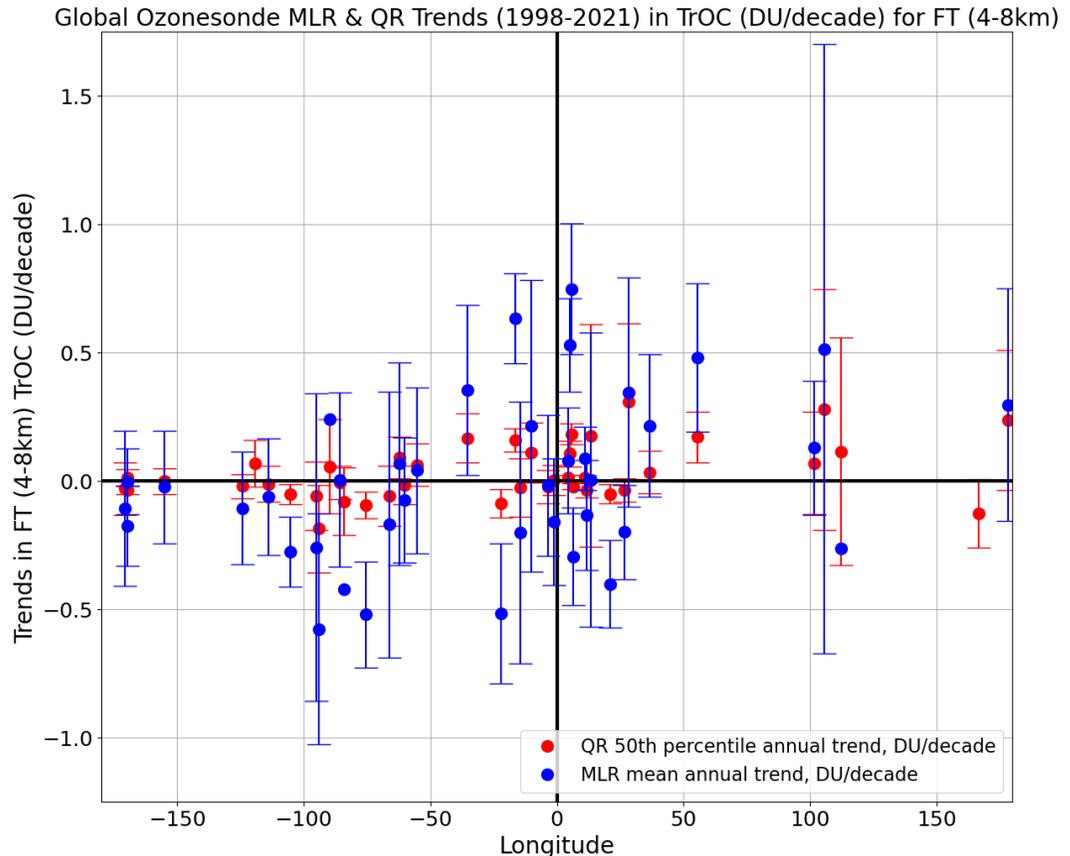
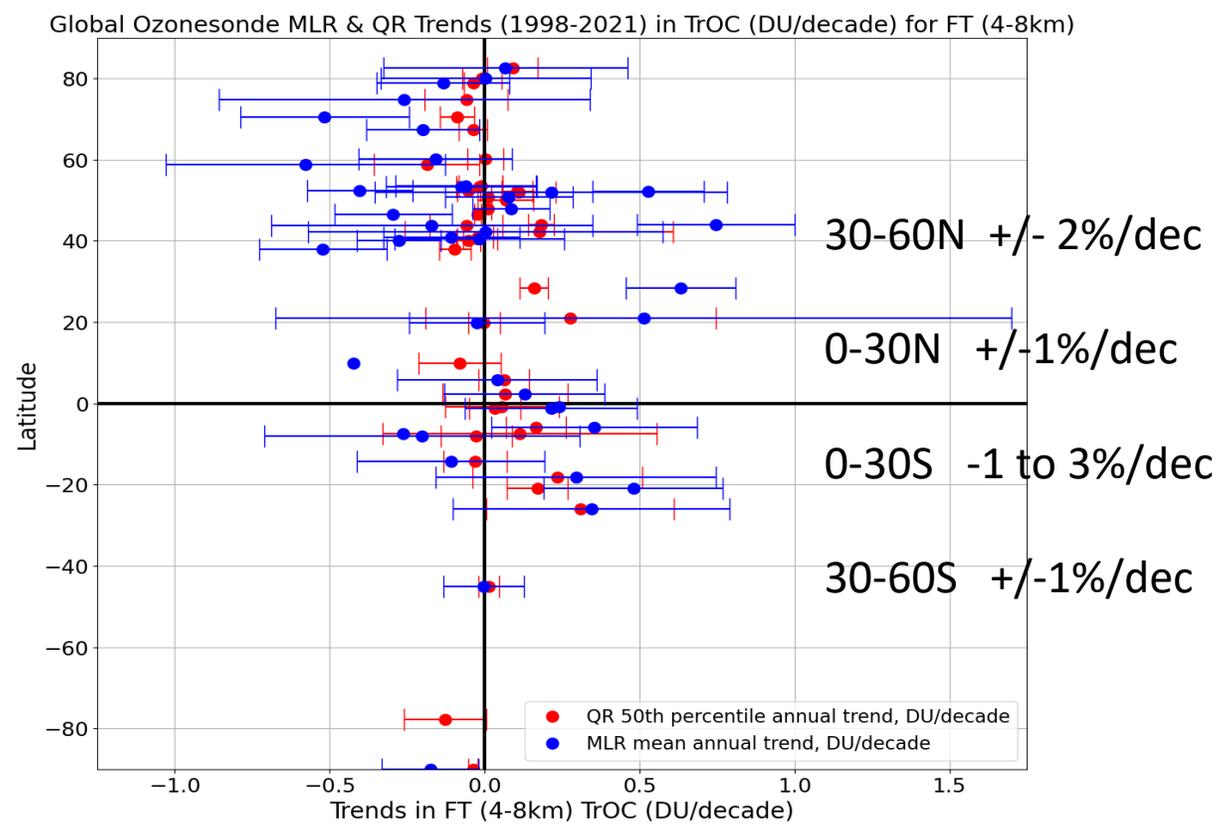


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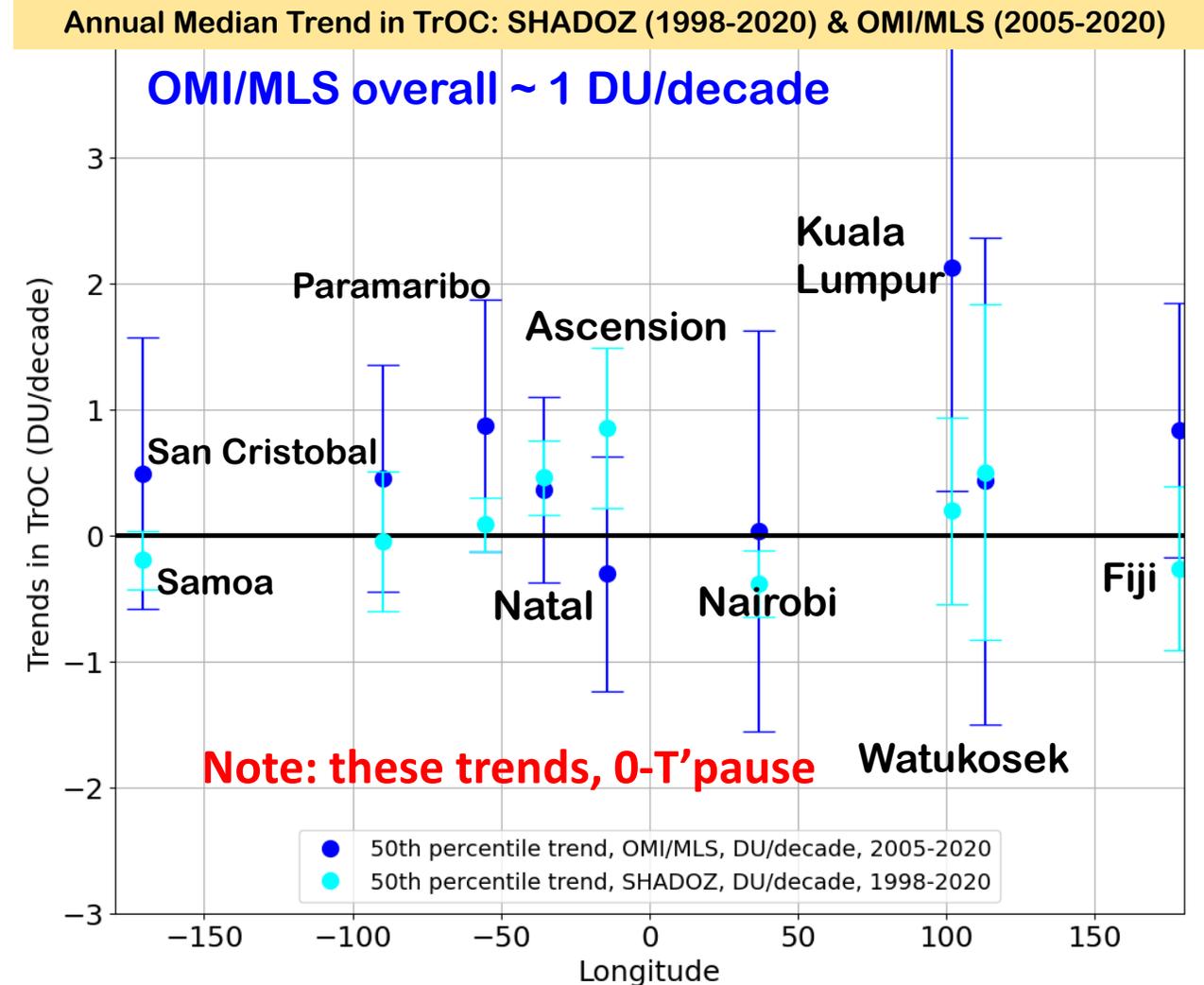
- 43 sonde sites (>70%) in HEGIFTOM database

# TREND RESULT 2. MLR & QR TRENDS SIMILAR



- **Preliminary results** show magnitude of trends with MLR is larger than QR for some stations. Work ongoing to be sure comparable trend values are being obtained from each method.
- Equivalent changes for FT amounts (~7-12 DU) range from **-2% to + 2%/dec (Left)**. Exceptions include Izana, Hanoi, and several tropical sites. E. Pacific/Americas display smaller increases than over Europe/Africa or Asia/W. Pacific (**Right**).

- **HEGIFTOM data provide essential TOAR II reference to evaluate models, satellite products (Right)! Expect High Impact in 2024 Report!**
- Preliminary results with sonde-based 4-8 km FT O<sub>3</sub> columns show:
  - > Mostly small trends, both positive and negative, over all latitudes, regions
  - > Tropical increases tend to be larger than at mid-latitudes
- **Next steps** for TrOC:
  - > Continue using HEGIFTOM to evaluate models, satellite trends, ie beyond tropics.
  - > Compute trends from other HEGIFTOM data (e.g. FTIR), various column segments, 5 and 95 quantiles (50% shown here)





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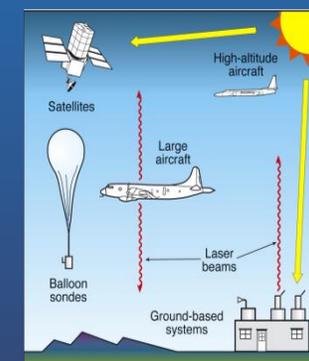
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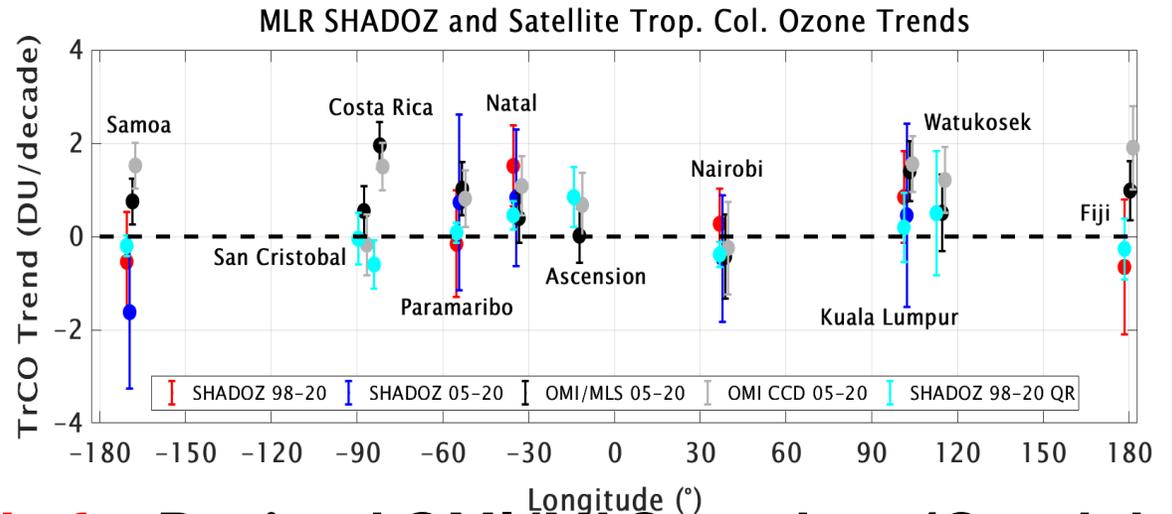
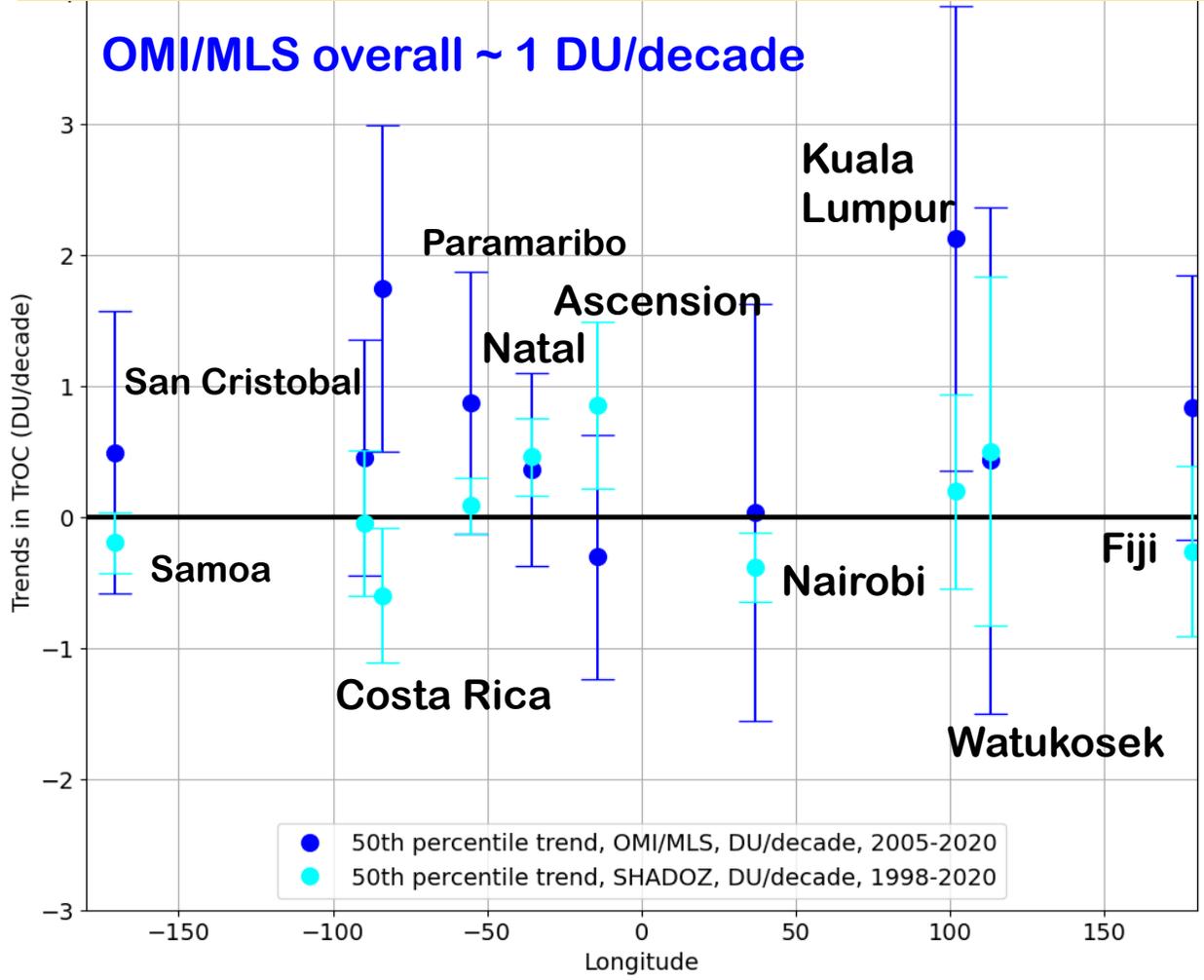
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# TREND RESULT 3. OMI/MLS Total TrOC & Sonde Trends

Annual Median Trend in TrOC: SHADOZ (1998-2020) & OMI/MLS (2005-2020)



**Left:** Revised OMI/MLS product (Gaudel et al, 2023) for 2005-2020 has similar trend to SHADOZ stations

**Right:** SHADOZ MLR, QR comparisons with two OMI-based products over two periods are all in good agreement and mostly < 1 DU/decade, the latter 2-4 x larger than 4-8 km sonde trends

- **Different (partial) tropospheric ozone column metrics**

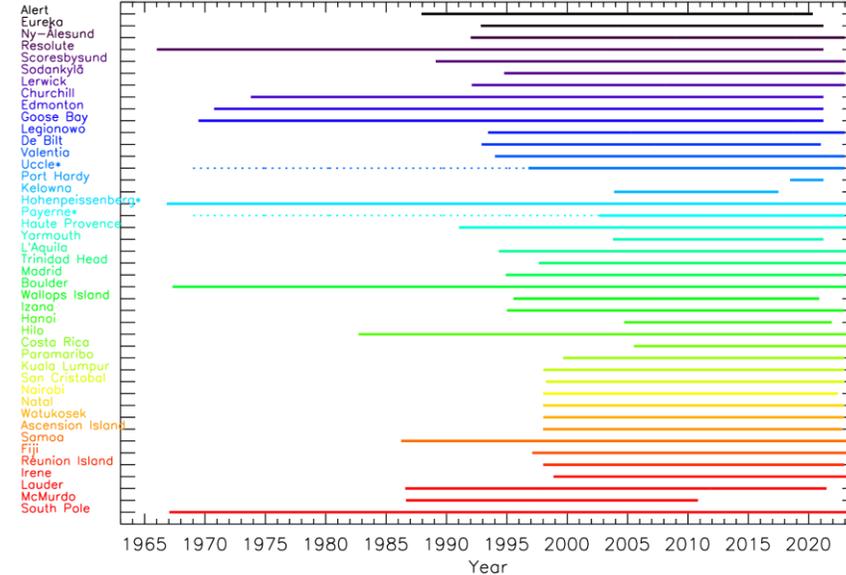
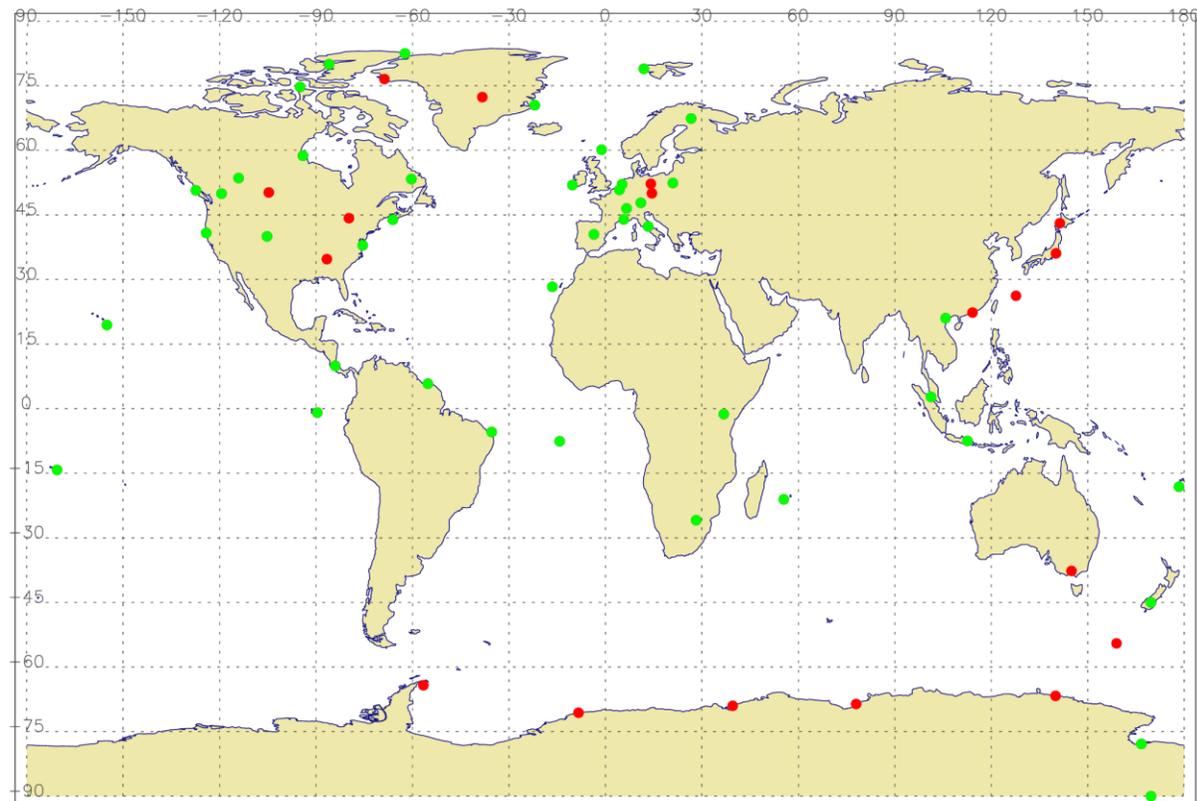
1.  $P > P_{TP}$  (WMO)
2.  $P > P(\text{lat})$  (e.g. 150 hPa @ tropics, 400 hPa in polar regions)
3.  $P > 300$  hPa
4. FT:  $4 < h < 8$  km **AND**  $700 \text{ hPa} > P > 300$  hPa
5. LT:  $h < 4$  km **AND**  $P > 700$  hPa
6. BL:  $h < 2$  km
7. Umkehr/FTIR kernel weighted to others
8. 1, 2 & 3 + added with CAMS/MERRA2 for UT (IAGOS) and BL (Lidar)

} **2 recommended  
TOAR-II ozone  
column definitions**

- **The (partial) tropospheric ozone columns have been calculated for all sites/techniques, as much as is feasible**



# Homogenized Data for Ozonesonde Sites & Record

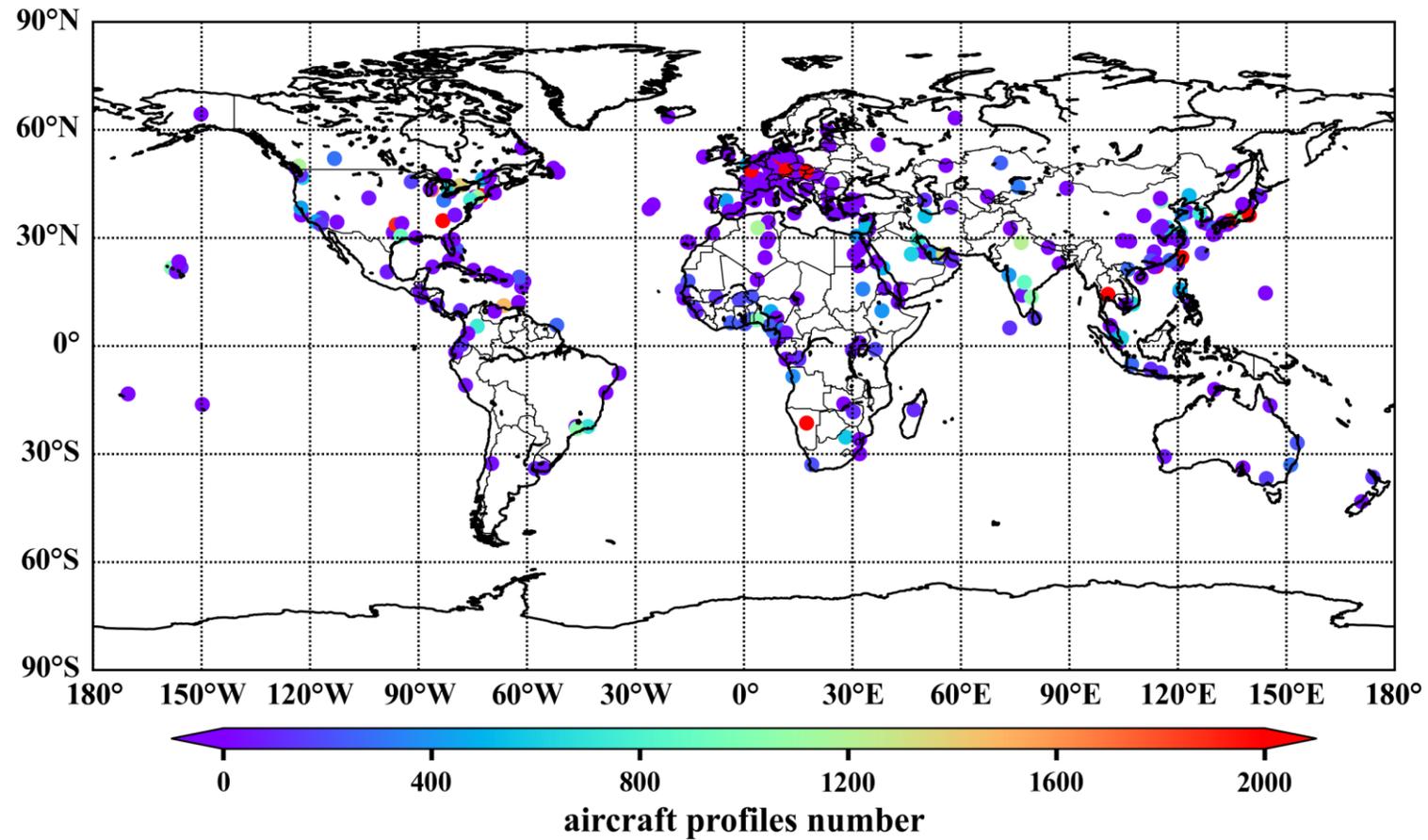


- 43 sites (green dots) with homogenized ozone profiles.
- TOAR II trends analyses start after 1995, most 1998-2000
- Column amounts available at ftp-server: QR Code → <https://hegiftom.meteo.be/datasets/ozonesondes>



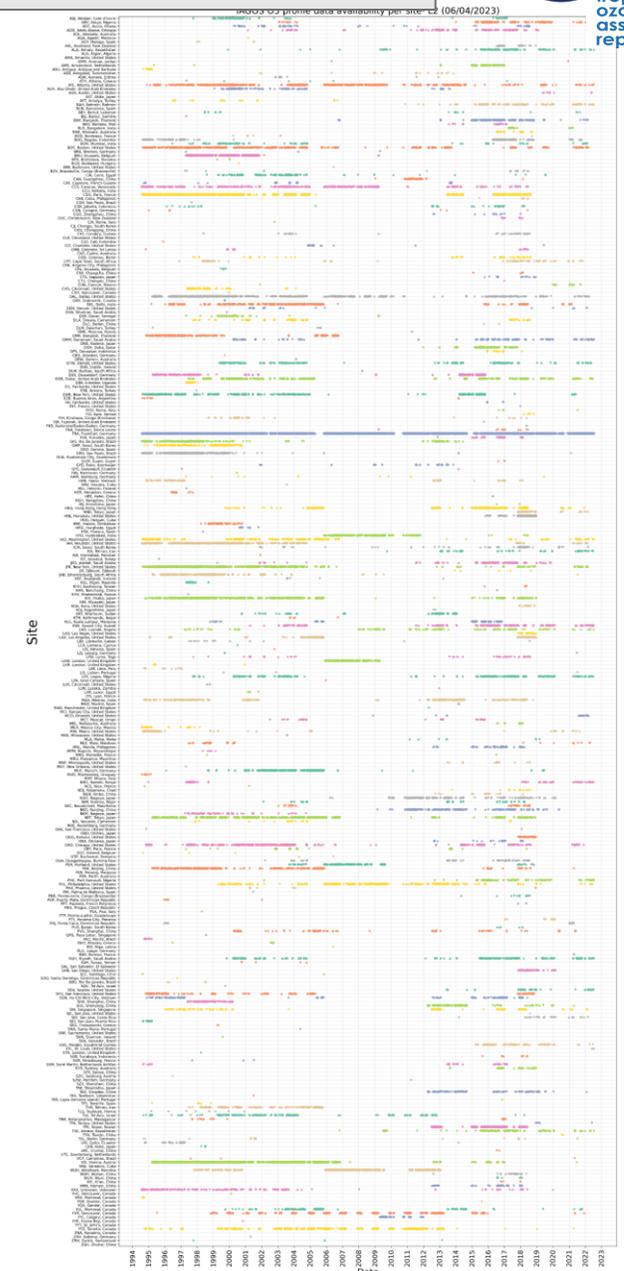
# Homogenized Data for IAGOS L/TO Profiles & Record

## Map of airports



**1994/08 to 2021/03**  
**310 stations**  
**122574 profiles**

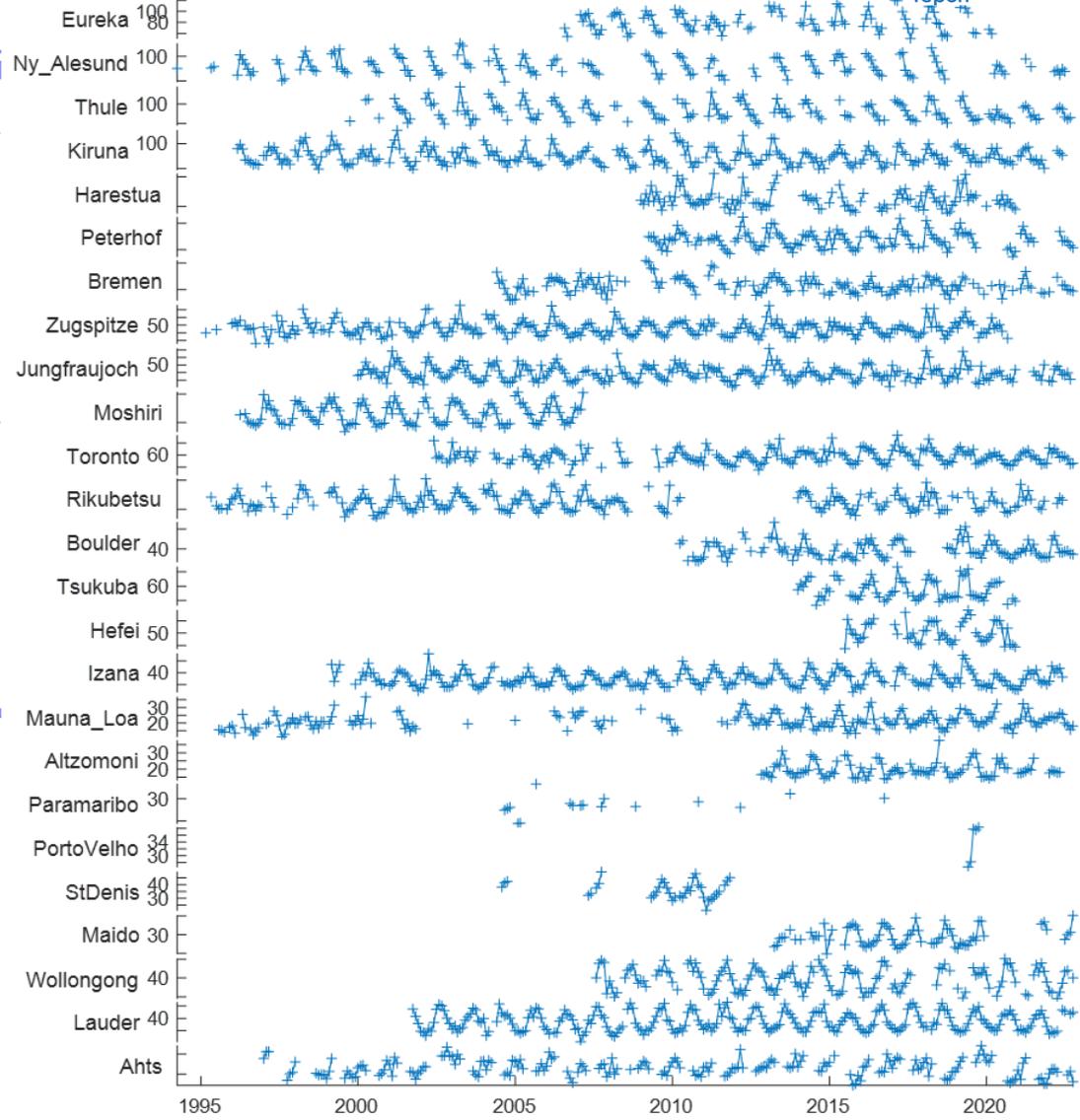
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# Homogenized Data and Records for FTIR



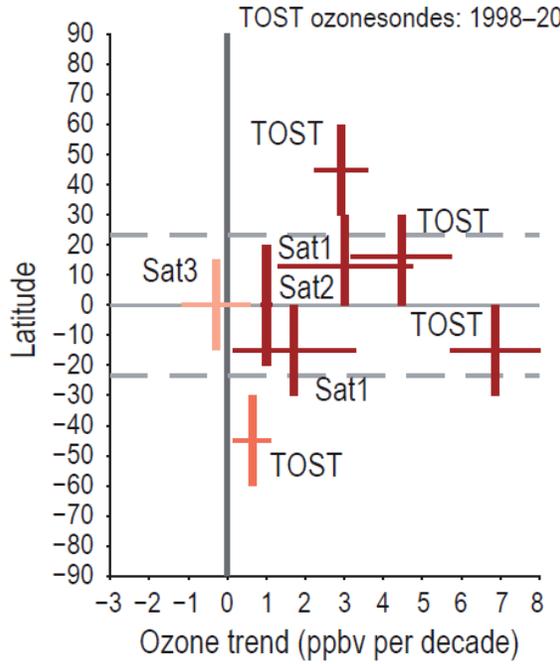
O3 monthly mean ground-150hPa partial columns, in DU



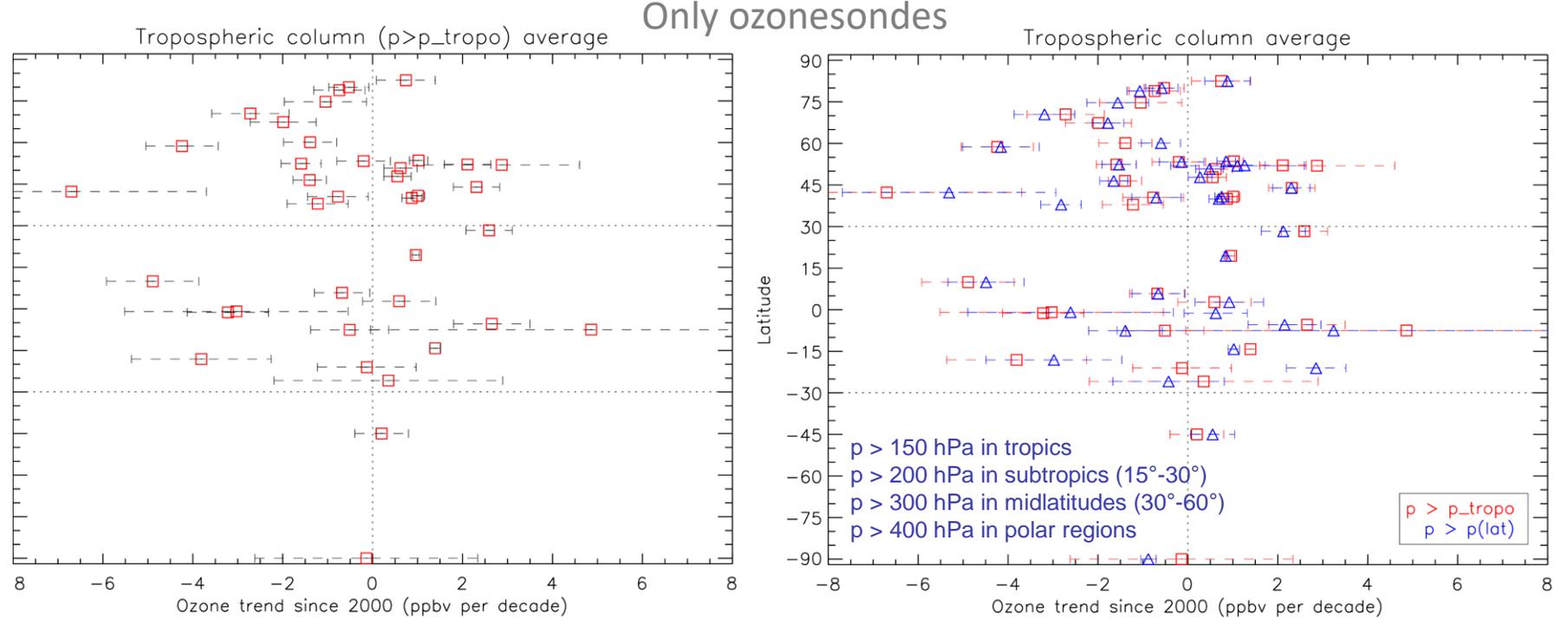
- 25 sites (22 active in O<sub>3</sub>) providing O<sub>3</sub> data. See NDACC Infrared WG: <https://www2.acom.ucar.edu/irwg>
- Oldest date back to the mid 90s, most since mid 2000s; latter sites also provide CO/HCHO <https://hegiftom.meteo.be/datasets/ftir>

# Tropospheric ozone column trend estimates

(c) Tropospheric column average



**Satellite products:**  
**Sat1** 1979–2016 (TOMS, OMI/MLS)  
**Sat2** 1995–2015 (GOME, SCIAMACHY, OMI, GOME-2A, GOME-2B)  
**Sat3** 1995–2015 (GOME, SCIAMACHY, GOME-II)



- From R. van Malderen -- Simple linear regression trend estimation (just for illustration!)
- different metrics = different trends for bulk of stations!
- Trends are not only function of latitude!