

New Zealand National Report for the 11th WMO/UNEP Ozone Research Managers Meeting Geneva, April 2020

Introduction

In New Zealand, ozone- and UV-related research is undertaken by the National Institute of Water & Atmospheric Research (NIWA), the University of Canterbury, the University of Otago, and Bodeker Scientific. Many relevant observations are taken at the Lauder Atmospheric Research Station in Central Otago. Lauder station, located at the Southern mid-latitudes (45°S, 170°E, 370 meters above sea level) is a rural and clean background-level site. It is a “Global” station of the World Meteorological Organization’s Global Atmosphere Watch Programme, and is also part of several networks including the Network for the Detection of Atmospheric Composition Change (NDACC), GCOS Reference Upper Air Network (GRUAN), Baseline Surface Radiation Network (BSRN), etc. Ozone and several parameters related to ozone depletion are measured using a variety of techniques including Dobson spectrophotometry, UV-visible spectroscopy, infrared spectroscopy, microwave radiometry, electrochemical ozonesondes flown on balloons, ozone and aerosol LIDARs, *in situ* sampling, and frost-point hygrometers. Solar UV radiation is measured at several sites across New Zealand. There also are measurement activities outside of New Zealand, such as in Antarctica (Scott Base and Arrival Heights) and some sites in the Pacific Islands. Due to its location in the Southern Hemisphere and proximity to Antarctica, New Zealand is particularly interested in the effects of stratospheric ozone depletion. The “Deep South” National Science Challenge is a 10-year research programme (started in 2014) that aims to improve our understanding of how changes in the Antarctic region affect New Zealand; the effect of ozone depletion and recovery on climate is part of this programme.

1. OBSERVATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Ozone Research in New Zealand

Of the more than 70 active NDACC measurement sites in the world, only Lauder is equipped with a full complement of the five standard ground-based ozone profile measuring techniques: ozonesondes, Dobson Umkehr, LIDAR, FTS, and microwave radiometry. Total column ozone is also measured at Lauder using UV/vis spectrometers and surface *in situ* observations are made using UV photometers. Other sites across New Zealand also have active surface ozone measurement programmes, including city council sites in Auckland and Christchurch as part of their urban air quality instrumentation.

High quality, long time-series measurements are key to identifying trends; the Lauder measurement site hosts several on-going multi-decadal data sets relevant to ozone research. New Zealand’s Arrival Heights Research facility in Antarctica also hosts a similar suite of instruments that measure ozone and compounds relevant for ozone production and destruction.

1.1 Column measurements of ozone and other gases/variables relevant to ozone loss.

The following measurement programmes are all located at the Lauder research station:

- Stratospheric NO₂ since 1981
- Dobson Total Column Ozone since 1987
- UV Spectrometers since 1989
- FTS, ozone total column and other ODS measurements since 1990
- TEI *in situ* ozone analyser since 2004

At Arrival Heights, Antarctica:

- Dobson Total Column Ozone since 1988
- TEI *in situ* ozone analyser since 2003
- FTS, ozone total column and other ODS measurements since 1996
- UV/vis total column NO₂ since 1991

1.2 Profile measurements of ozone and other gases/variables relevant to ozone loss

The following measurement programmes are all located at the Lauder research station:

- Ozonesondes, weekly launches since 1986 which included radiosonde measurements of pressure, temperature and humidity
- Dobson Umkehr since 1987
- Ozone LIDAR since 1994
- Microwave radiometer profiling since 1994
- FTS (ozone and other ODSs) since 1990
- NOAA frost-point hygrometers since 2004

At Arrival Heights, Antarctica:

- Microwave radiometer profiling (CIO) since 1996
- FTS, ozone profile measurements since 1996

1.3 UV measurements

Activities from NIWA's UV radiation programme are summarized at

<https://www.niwa.co.nz/our-services/online-services/uv-ozone>

Spectral:

NIWA maintains spectral measurements at Lauder, as well as at Mauna Loa Observatory Hawaii, Boulder Colorado, Alice Springs and Melbourne, Australia. Data from these NDACC sites are archived at the NDACC database, and spectral data are archived from in the WOUDC database. Historical spectral data are also available from Tokyo, Japan, and Darwin, Australia.

Broadband:

NIWA maintains 6 Yankee UVB-1 pyranometers (i.e., new generation Robertson Berger "RB-type" meters) in New Zealand and the South Pacific region. Data from these are archived in the NIWA climate database, and are used in regular reports by the New Zealand Ministry for the Environment (<http://www.mfe.govt.nz/publications/environmental-reporting/environment-aotearoa-2015-atmosphere-and-climate/state-of>). NIWA also assists Callaghan Innovation to process and archive data from their UVB-1 meters at 6 other sites in New Zealand.

Complementary Measurements:

In support of NIWA's UV measurement programme, the following are also available at Lauder:

- TCCON (Total Carbon Column Observation Network)
- BSRN radiation suite (direct, diffuse, and global short-wave radiation)
- Aerosol optical depth at several wavelengths, and from LIDAR
- All sky cameras
- Direct beam spectral irradiances (285-600 nm)
- Actinic flux measurements (JNO₂)
- Sunshine recorders
- USDA radiation suite
- Meteorological data

- Trace gas measurements

Additionally, NIWA has been closely involved with the development and use of personal UV dosimeters.

The new version of the Scienterra UV Dosimeter is currently in development, thanks to R&D funding from Callaghan Innovation. The new instrument is 60% smaller, and measures concurrent UVA, UVB, red, green, blue, and broadband white/IR wavebands, covering between 280-1000 nm. The SRF of the UVB channel matches the erythemal action spectrum, the green channel matches the photopic eye response, and the blue channel matches the melatonin suppression action spectrum. Additional functions include orientation, pedometry and GGIR-type motion analysis. This suite of measurements was designed by a panel of researchers to help untangle the convoluted influences of UV and other radiation, sleep, and exercise, and how they affect human health. Data are provided over Bluetooth to a smartphone app, with daily uploads to a cloud-based database. More information can be found at: <http://scienterra.com/>.

1.4 Calibration activities

- NIWA UV spectrometers are used to cross calibrate other spectrometers in Australasia.
- Broadband meters are cross calibrated against spectroradiometers at Lauder.
- Lauder Dobson (D072) NDACC calibration to the regional standard in Melbourne, Feb. 2017.
- Arrival Heights Dobson (D017) NDACC calibration to the regional standard in Melbourne, Nov. 2017.

2. RESULTS FROM OBSERVATIONS AND ANALYSIS

Results are disseminated through numerous publications (see below), conference presentations, seminars, and web pages. Results are updated at quadrennial NIWA Workshops (UV). <https://www.niwa.co.nz/our-services/online-services/uv-and-ozone/workshops>

3. THEORY, MODELLING, AND OTHER OZONE RELATED RESEARCH

New Zealand efforts in theory and modelling, as with the measurements, are disseminated through research papers, UNEP EEAP Reports, and WMO Ozone Assessment Reports.

UNEP: <https://ozone.unep.org/science/assessment/eeap>

WMO: <https://ozone.unep.org/science/assessment/sap>

One example of this work is the Deep South-funded research whereby scientists at Bodeker Scientific have developed updated versions of the long-term homogeneous databases of (1) total column ozone and (2) vertically resolved monthly mean zonal mean ozone. Described here:

Total Column Ozone: The latest version 3.4 of the National Institute of Water & Atmospheric Research - Bodeker Scientific (NIWA-BS) total column ozone database is available from <http://www.bodekerscientific.com/data/total-column-ozone>. The database is constructed by combining measurements from 17 different satellite-based instruments and extends from 1 November 1978 to 31 December 2016. Offsets and drifts between the different data sets are

resolved through comparisons with the Dobson and Brewer ground-based instruments and through inter-satellite instrument comparisons. This version of the database improves on previous versions by providing a ‘machine-learning’ based filled version of the total column ozone fields as described at <http://www.bodekerscientific.com/data/total-column-ozone/tcofillingalgorithm>.

Vertically resolved ozone database: The latest version of the Bodeker Scientific Vertically Resolved Ozone Database (BSVerticalOzone) is available on the Bodeker Scientific website (<http://www.bodekerscientific.com/data/monthly-mean-global-vertically-resolved-ozone>) and the database has been archived on Zenodo (<https://zenodo.org/record/1217184>). This database is constructed by combining measurements from several satellite-based instruments and ozonesondes and extends from 1979 to 2016. Monthly mean zonal mean ozone concentrations in mixing ratio and number density are provided in 5° latitude bins, spanning 70 altitude levels (1 to 70 km), or 70 pressure levels that are approximately 1 km apart (878.4 to 0.046 hPa). A gap filling technique is used to generate different data sets or ‘Tiers’. The different Tier 1.X data sets can be used for comparisons with chemistry–climate model (CCM) simulations that do not exhibit the same unforced variability as reality (unless they are nudged towards reanalyses).

IGAC/SPARC Chemistry-Climate Model Initiative (CCMI): New Zealand has participated in this multi-model activity which during the reporting period has produced numerous publications. The aim of CCMI is to improve our understanding of these complex systems and help inform ozone, climate, and air quality assessments. CCMI simulations were used in the 2018 WMO Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion report.

NIWA is involved in the Aerosols and Chemistry Model Intercomparison Project (AerChemMIP) which amongst other topics assesses the role of ozone depletion in climate change. Partnering with the UK Met Office, UK Universities, and the Korean Meteorological Agency, NIWA has produced several climate model simulations using the UKESM1 model and is now participating in the evaluation of these simulations.

University of Otago was a key participant in the development of the first solar forcing proxy for energetic particle precipitation (EPP) to be used in chemistry-climate models. EPP influences polar mesospheric and upper stratospheric ozone variability, particularly during winter and spring seasons, with demonstrated links to regional climate variability. This proxy is used in the CMIP6 (Coupled Model Intercomparison Project Phase 6) global simulations. The CMIP6 EPP proxy is available from: <https://solarisheppa.geomar.de/cmip6>.

University of Otago is a major contributor to global climate modelling efforts. These climate model simulations aim to improve our understanding of solar influence (via EPP) on polar ozone, and to investigate the physical mechanisms driving predicted and detected surface level regional climate responses that arise from changes in ozone. This research is driven by the global need to improve our understanding of, and capability to simulate, background regional climate variability driven by solar activity.

4. DISSEMINATION OF RESULTS

4.1 Data reporting

See above. NIWA UV data are archived at:

NDACC: <http://www.ndaccdemo.org/> (spectral summaries)

WOUDC: <http://woudc.org/>

NIWA: <https://cliflo.niwa.co.nz/> (broad band)

Surface in situ ozone: <https://www.esrl.noaa.gov/gmd/ozwv/surfoz/data.html>

Scientific papers, etc. (see 4.3 below)

NDACC, WOUDC: Dobson total column ozone and Umkehr profiles

NDACC, WOUDC: Stratospheric microwave radiometer profiles

NDACC, WOUDC, GRUAN: Ozonesonde profiles

NDACC, GRUAN: Frost-point water vapour profiles

NDACC: FTS ozone & ODSs, total column and profiles

NDACC: LIDAR ozone profiles

4.2 Information to the public

Information to the public are provided by:

- data archived at NDACC, WOUDC, GRUAN, etc., are all publicly accessible.
- NIWA provides information about UV forecasts, maps of ozone and UV, time series of ozone on their publicly available web pages.
- UV Index displays are located in public places, together with behavioural advice
- Smartphone Apps that show the UV variation during the course of the day and include cloud effects and corresponding behavioural advice.
[\(https://www.niwa.co.nz/node/111461 \).](https://www.niwa.co.nz/node/111461)
 - The uv2Day app (NZ – Australia – South Pacific – Antarctica only)
 - The GlobalUV app (Global, but with daily noon cloud cover only)
- Interaction with New Zealand health providers regarding both positive and negative effects of UV. For example:
 - <https://www.health.govt.nz/system/files/documents/publications/vitamind-sun-exposure.pdf>
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5. PROJECTS, COLLABORATION, TWINNING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

National Projects

Ozone and related research in New Zealand are undertaken primarily through the Understanding Atmospheric Composition and Change programme (NIWA), which includes various measurement activities of ozone and associated compounds, primarily at Lauder, New Zealand, and Arrival Heights, Antarctica, measurement of physical variables such as UV, as well as global chemistry-climate modelling at NIWA and New Zealand's Universities. UV measurements at Lauder are part of a larger research effort, spanning the physical and medical sciences communities, on the impact of UV on human health (both positive and negative effects), materials, and the biosphere. This research is informing health organizations such as the New Zealand Cancer Society.

MBIE Endeavour project 'Extreme events and the emergence of climate change' led by Dave Frame at Victoria University, will be looking at the role of ozone destruction and recovery in climate change emergence patterns.

International Projects

Ozone research in New Zealand is undertaken in close collaboration with many international partners and contributes to a wide range of international projects. Selected current international projects are:

- NDACC (Network for the Detection of Atmospheric Composition Change), for which Lauder is the primary Southern mid-latitude site, has been the principal focus of ozone-related work by NIWA at Lauder for more than three decades. NIWA reports a variety of profile, total column, and surface *in situ* measurements of ozone and associated compounds to NDACC, taken at its primary locations at Lauder, New Zealand, and Arrival Heights, Antarctica, and also UV/Vis measurements of total-column NO₂ from Macquarie Island, Australia, taken in collaboration with the Australian Bureau of Meteorology.
- Tropospheric Ozone Assessment Report (TOAR), data submission and participation.
- SPARC LOTUS activity (Long-term Ozone Trends and Uncertainties in the Stratosphere), data submission and participation.

- CAMS project (Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service), data submission.
- TROLIX'19 (TROPOMI Validation Experiment 2019), MAXDOAS participation.
- IGAC/SPARC CCM1-1 (Chemistry Climate Modelling Initiative phase 1): Contributing CCM simulations to the CCM archive and participating in process-oriented validation of CCM output. CCM1 is the latest in a series of chemistry-climate modelling activities involving NIWA; previously, NIWA contributed to CCMVal-1 (informing the 2006 WMO Ozone Assessment), CCMVal-2 (informing the 2010 Ozone Assessment), and ACCMIP (informing the 5th Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) on tropospheric composition change). Unlike these predecessor activities, the aim of CCM1 is to perform and assess whole-atmosphere chemistry-climate model simulations that will inform upcoming ozone, tropospheric air quality, and climate assessments, all with the same class of model. NIWA is participating in the development of the MetOffice Unified Model which, in different versions, has been used for all of these purposes, and is also working with Australian partners on their contribution to CCM1, using the ACCESS model. Through a sub-contract with ETH Zurich (Switzerland), Bodeker Scientific has also contributed simulations to CCM1 with the SOCOLv3 (Solar Climate Ozone Links version 3) chemistry-climate model.
- GRUAN (GCOS Reference Upper Air Network): Measurements of ozone, water vapour and meteorological parameters using ozonesondes and high-quality radiosondes are made at Lauder, a site hosting a GRUAN-certified measurement programme. Radiosonde measurements at Invercargill are submitted to GRUAN as a collaboration between NIWA and the New Zealand MetService. In support of GRUAN activities, NIWA has introduced additional quality checks to radiosonde preparations and has installed a GPS/GNSS receiver used for measuring total water vapour column abundance.
- BSRN (Baseline Surface Radiation Network): Measurements of global, diffuse, and direct radiation at Lauder, to the standards of BSRN, have been made continuously at Lauder since 1999, with the results available from the BSRN archive used in satellite validation and studies of global radiative energy balance. They also support the understanding of UV measurements at Lauder and other NDACC sites.
- SAGE-III-ISS Validation: An ongoing validation effort is underway at Lauder with several balloon payloads launched annually in coordination with ISS overpasses. These payloads included ozonesondes, frost-point hygrometers, and more recently a POPS aerosol measuring instrument.
- SOLARIS-HEPPA - Solar influences for SPARC (Stratosphere-troposphere processed and their role in climate): University of Otago is a key participant in the development of solar forcing parameters used by the so-called high-top models with interactive ozone chemistry CMIP6 simulations.
- A continuous record of stratospheric aerosol profiles over Lauder, started in November 1992, continues thanks to support from MRI and NIES in Japan. The lidar was upgraded in 2009

for dual-wavelength and depolarisation in daytime to support Total Carbon Column Observing Network (TCCON) measurements of GHG over Lauder by near-infrared.

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6. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 10th OZONE RESEARCH MANAGERS MEETING

In line with the recommendations of the 10th ORM, New Zealand is continuing to fund high-quality trace gas measurements being made at atmospheric research facilities around the country.

Work is underway at NIWA to continue to future-proof and modernise aging instrumentation to ensure continuity of the ozone measurement time-series datasets.

In response to the call for ‘studies characterising and better quantifying the measurement uncertainties of ozone and associated parameters by various monitoring instrument types’, scientists from Bodeker Scientific have been working with Dr Larry Thomason (NASA) to develop new data-screening recommendations for SAGE II ozone measurements which are based on how the measurements were made. Our ability to accurately detect small, but important, changes in concentrations of constituents, such as ozone, is challenged by measurement uncertainties. Since SAGE II measurements of ozone started, a plethora of ‘generally accepted’ screening methods have been developed. These methods are often inconsistent, ad-hoc, and untraceable and seldom revised even after significant revisions to the data themselves. A publication is currently in development and will be submitted at the end of February 2020.

The construction of the homogenized total column ozone and vertically resolved ozone databases (see above) responds to the call for ‘continued studies for homogenising long-term ozone data records obtained from various measurement systems’. The Weatherhead et al. (2017) paper listed above on which Bodeker Scientific scientists collaborated, also responds to this recommendation.

In response to ‘Improve the understanding and accuracy of future projections of global ozone amounts,’ work at NIWA and the University of Canterbury has contributed to future ozone projections via the framework of CCMI, including the roles of GHGs and ODSs in ozone recovery. Recent research led by the University of Canterbury resulted in an improved representation of tropospheric ozone in a chemistry-climate model.

7. FUTURE PLANS

- Use long-term stratospheric trace gas measurements to observe global circulation (Brewer-Dobson) dynamical changes, in combination with chemistry-climate modelling study.
- Updating NIWA UV spectrometer systems at Lauder (and abroad), including the conversion of legacy control and processing software and all custom hardware as required.
- Maintain and continue operation of all ozone and ODS measuring instrumentation at Lauder, Baring Head, and Arrival Heights.
- Participate in instrument intercomparison and calibration campaigns
- Upgrade the Lauder stratospheric ozone LIDAR (LauSOL) that is nearing end-of-life
- Continue weekly ozonesonde launches at Lauder.
- An intercomparison study of UV and ozone measuring instrumentation at Lauder is currently underway.
- A new diode-array UV spectrometer at Lauder will be used to study cloud effects on UV, including wavelength dependence of enhancement, in the vicinity of clouds as they transit the sun.
- University of Canterbury: producing chemistry-climate model projections of stratospheric ozone in response to changing GHG and ODS concentrations; understanding how stratospheric chemistry influences surface climate and the emergence of climate change in the Southern Hemisphere.

8. NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The following needs and recommendations require attention:

- Polar ozone plays a critical role in regional climate variability at high and mid-latitude regions. With decreasing stratospheric ozone depleting substances (ODSs) and the projected strengthening Brewer-Dobson circulation due to climate change, the role of solar forcing (including energetic particle precipitation) is likely to become more pronounced. To quantify the impact on polar ozone, continued, long term (over decades), high quality, polar stratospheric and mesospheric profiles of ozone, dynamical tracers, and ozone depleting nitrogen family gases such as NO and NO₂ are needed from both satellite and ground-based instruments. This includes observations made during polar night conditions.
- Particularly in the tropics, there is some disagreement between different datasets and model results, regarding the trends since 2000 of total column ozone. Detection of ozone recovery in this region would benefit from resolving these discrepancies.
- The effects of stratospheric change on surface climate change, and the mechanisms involved, need to be better quantified. There is now a scientific consensus in the literature that seasonally past ozone depletion has been the dominant driver of climate change in the Southern Hemisphere, and future ozone recovery will remain an important driver of climate change, but large uncertainties remain about the regional impacts of both.
- In particular, the links, if any, between ozone depletion and expanding sea ice around Antarctica remain poorly understood and are generally not captured by general circulation models. This casts doubt on the model projections of Southern Hemispheric climate.
- Changes in ozone in the upper troposphere and lower stratosphere, especially in the tropics, and its effect on atmospheric temperature need to be better quantified.
- An ongoing debate about ‘optimal’ levels of UV exposure indicates that further research on vitamin D production and its health effects would be useful.
- A better quantification of natural sources of bromine in the troposphere is needed. The possible intensification of kelp aquaculture for food production and/or carbon capture would cause a potentially significant increase in the production of bromocarbons which can affect the stratospheric ozone layer. This risk needs to be understood.
- Continuing support for long-term, high quality measurement sites.
- Continued monitoring of unexpected emissions.
- Understand the effect of ozone and ODSs on radiative forcing, their role in Arctic warming.