Non-CO₂ in-flight inter-comparisons

Gases compared- focus on HIPPO-1

• N₂O

– QCLS, UCATS, PANTHER, CCG flasks, WAS flasks

• CH₄

– QCLS, UCATS, PANTHER, CCG flasks, WAS flasks

• CO

– QCLS, RAF, PANTHER, CCG flasks, WAS flasks

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Time series from H1 w/ all measurements

HIPPO-1 RF6



UTC



N₂O: HIPPO-1 biases

HIPPO-1



N₂O- Elevated Levels at altitude in QCLS







Contour plots (in this fashion) are not the way to compare 1-hz in-situ data with flask data



N₂O- Elevated Levels at altitude in QCLS



Verifiable by: Intersection of same layer on multiple profiles

Periods of coincident enhancement with independent tracers

Linear relationship with NOAA flasks over HIPPO-1,2,3 -With no altitude or H2O dependence



Methane

Performance on HIPPO-1 not necessarily illustrative of other HIPPOs: ie PANTHER CH4 & CO improved greatly for H2,3





UTC

CH₄: HIPPO-1



CH₄ HIPPO-1 biases

HIPPO-1



Carbon Monoxide

HIPPO-1 RF3



CO: HIPPO-1



CO: HIPPO-1 Biases

HIPPO-1







• Source: March 14, 2011 merge

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- Comparison of VCSEL and UCATS water vapor
- Notes: VCSEL data only on RF01-RF07



Outlier Group A









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- **RF03: 2**:
- RF04: 5s



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Notes

- UCATS and VCSEL agree to within 10% for most of HIPPO-1, except during rapid changes (UCATS outgassing).
- Timing between datasets inconsistent needs further examination
- Integrated water vapor dataset should be possible with careful analyses
- Still a few anomalous VCSEL points need to be removed

HIPPO Ozone Intercomparison

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Background:

Both the CSD and UCATS 2B instruments are dual-beam UV photometers. Flow rate is ~5 faster in CSD.

The CSD and NCAR chemiluminescence O_3 instruments agreed well in START-08, as did the UCATS instrument in dry conditions. The UCATS ozone scrubber did not work properly in wet conditions during START-08; it was replaced June 2008 (MnO₂-coated screens, similar to CSD).

Pre-HIPPO: UCATS ozone higher than CSD after passing through wet regions; good agreement in high water regions and when always dry.

This was even more obvious in HIPPO-1.

HIPPO-1, all data from RF02-RF11



HIPPO 1, RF02-RF11



HIPPO-1, RF07 (South Polar flight)



HIPPO-1, RF05 (Southbound tropical)







HIPPO-2, ANC to Kona



Summary

HIPPO-1 and first part of HIPPO-2: UCATS ozone usually higher than CSD ozone by 10-40 ppb after passing through wet air masses. Agreement quite good otherwise.

Deviations between UCATS and CSD typically after water >10,000 ppm. However, RF07 (S. Pole) on HIPPO-1 showed good agreement despite water vapor up to 15,000 ppm.

Differences sometimes persisted for over an hour at cruise altitude. Not consistent with a leak in either instrument.

After HIPPO-2, RF03 (lamp replacement and reassembly) and RF04 (leaks fixed): apparent UCATS calibration changed. UCATS < CSD following wet air. However, UCATS instrument not internally secure and alignment could have changed.

After HIPPO-2, the mechanical problems with UCATS ozone were fixed and a tight correlation was observed between UCATS and CSD in the stratosphere. No UCATS HIPPO-3 data because of GloPac.

HIPPO-1, RF11, Costa Rico to JeffCo



HIPPO-2, First N. Polar flight



HIPPO-2, South Polar flight



RF06, South Polar flight



HIPPO-2, Christchurch to north



HIPPO-2, northbound tropical



HIPPO-2 data, prior to lamp switch



Same, but expanded scale

