

Very short lived halocarbons (VSLH) in air and seawater



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Halocarbon air samples: TD-GCMS Unity2+CIA8-7890-5975C



- 1L sample volume
- Analysis frequency: 3-4 samples/hr

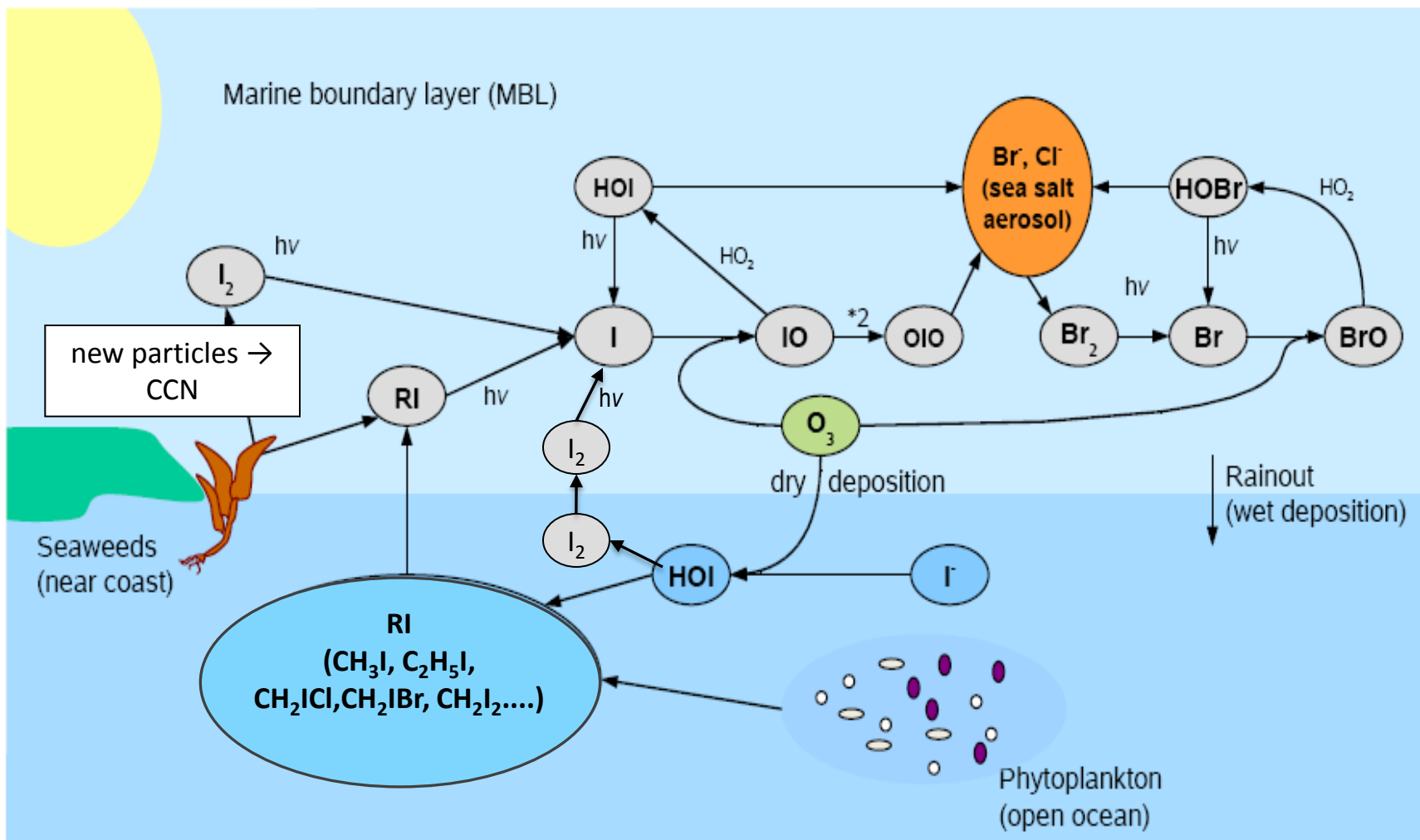
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LOD (ppt)	0.014	0.102	0.114	0.019	0.007	0.015	0.018	0.018	0.007
LOQ (ppt)	0.024	0.169	0.190	0.032	0.012	0.026	0.030	0.031	0.011
%RSD	1.8	10.5	4.1	1.8	1.6	1.7	3.0	1.9	4.7

Halocarbon seawater samples: AutoP&T-TD-GCMS Unity2+CIA8-6850-5975C



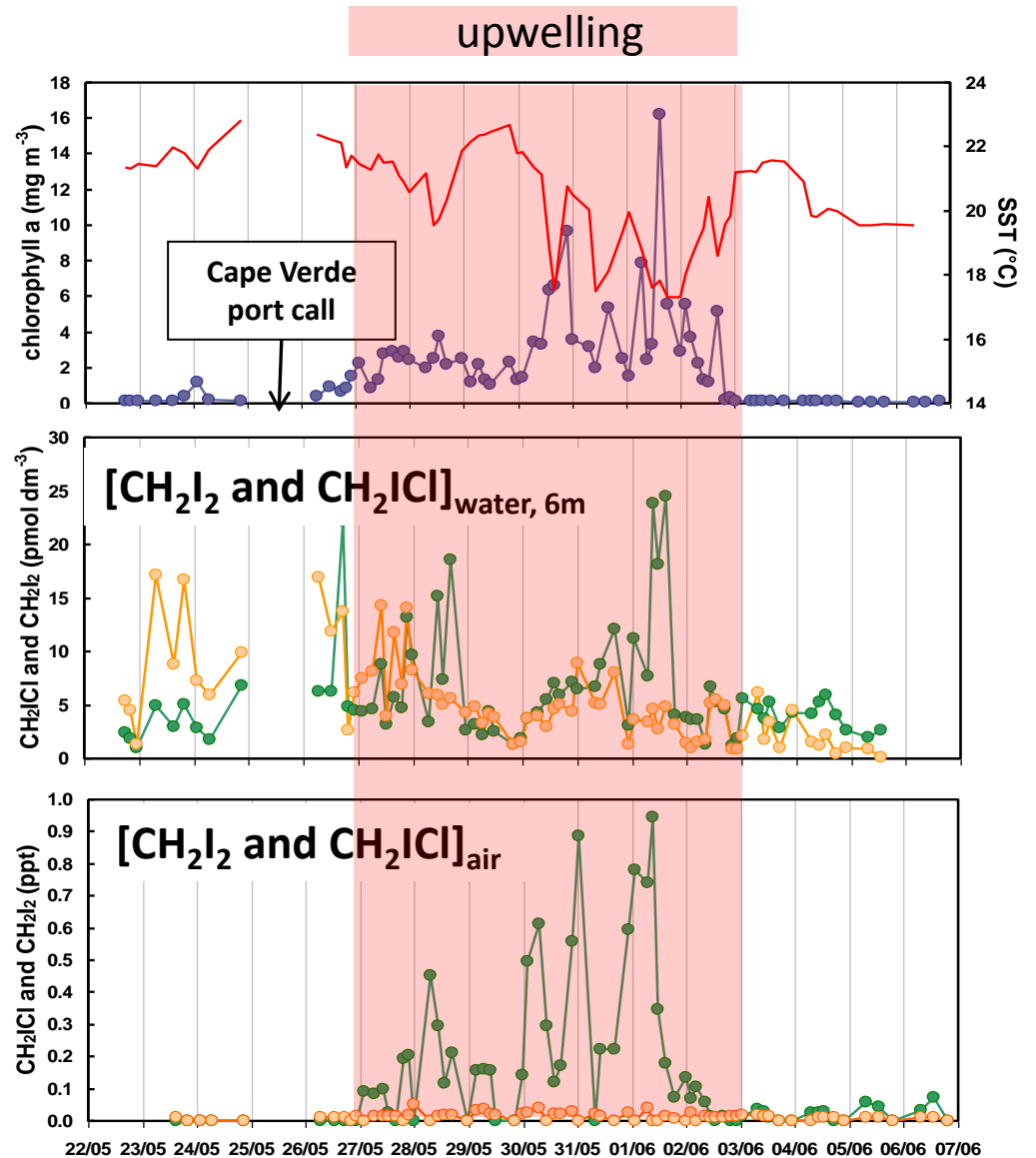
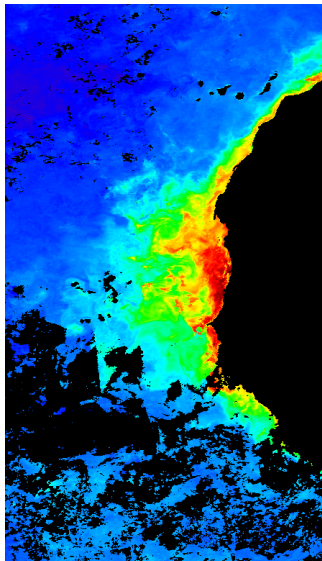
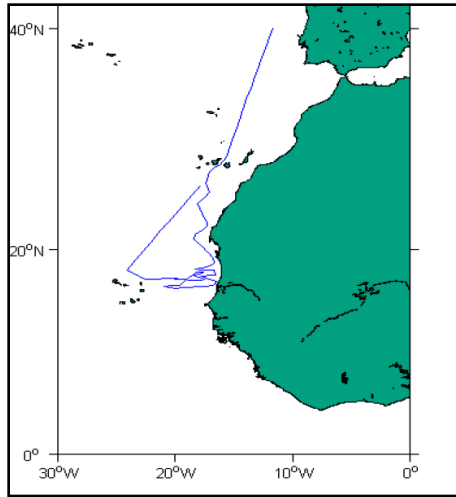
- Portable instrument can be operated from flight case
- Approx. 150kg
- Fully automated purge and trap system analyses 1-2 seawater samples/hr
- Fully automated from seawater inlet or semi-automated sampling from CTD samples
- Both instruments calibrated using NOAA SX-3570 cylinder and York permeation system (both ppt levels VSLH). See Jones et al., AMT, 2011.

Marine boundary layer halogen chemistry

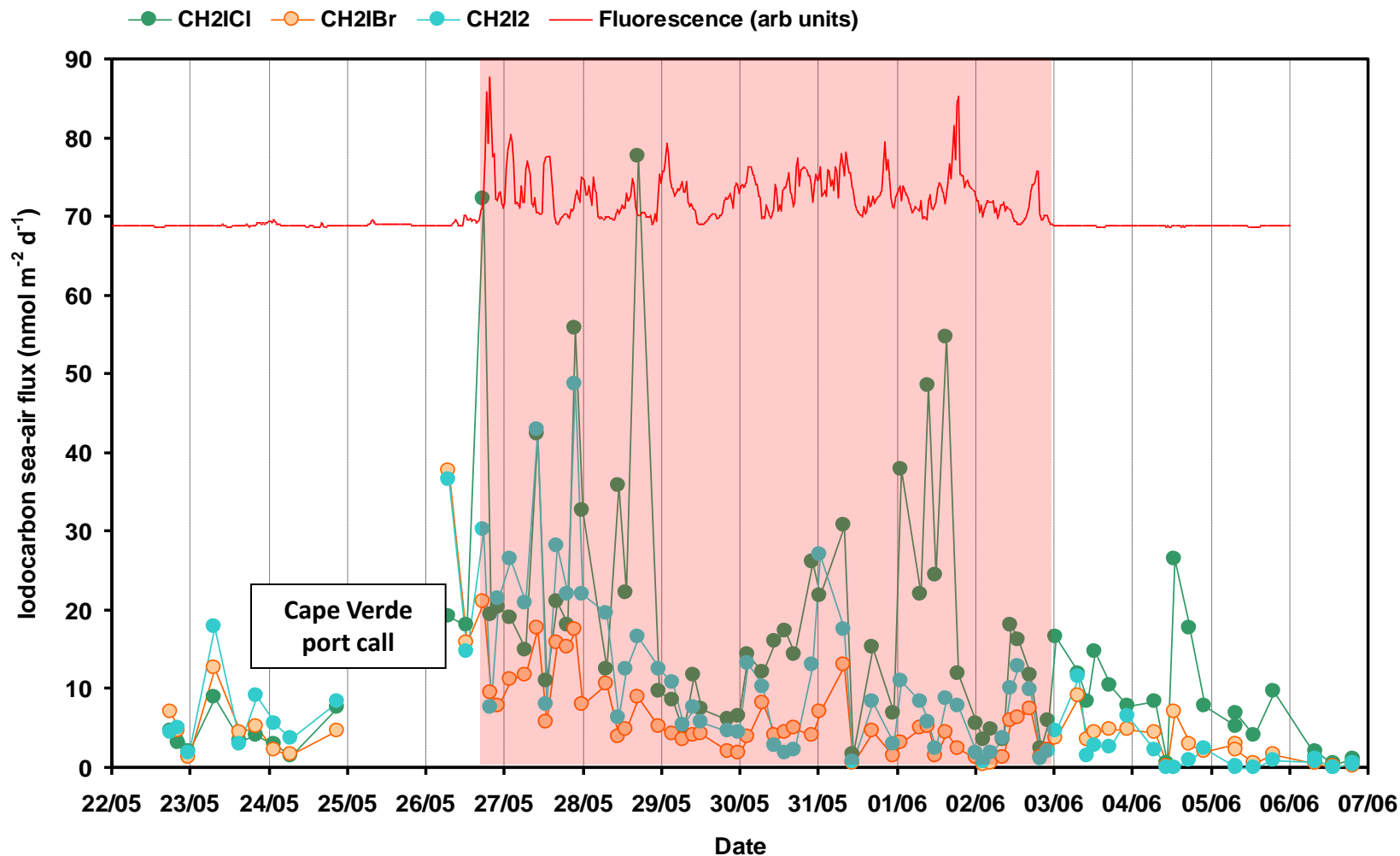


RHaMBLe: Dihalomethane concentrations in seawater and air

RHaMBLe Cruise: open ocean & Mauritanian upwelling



Dihalomethane sea-air fluxes from RHaMBLe cruise



Fluxes calculated using the Nightingale 2000 approximation for the transfer velocity k_w & the McGillis 2000 expression for the airside resistance k_a

Photolysis of CH₂I₂ and CH₂I₂Cl in surface waters



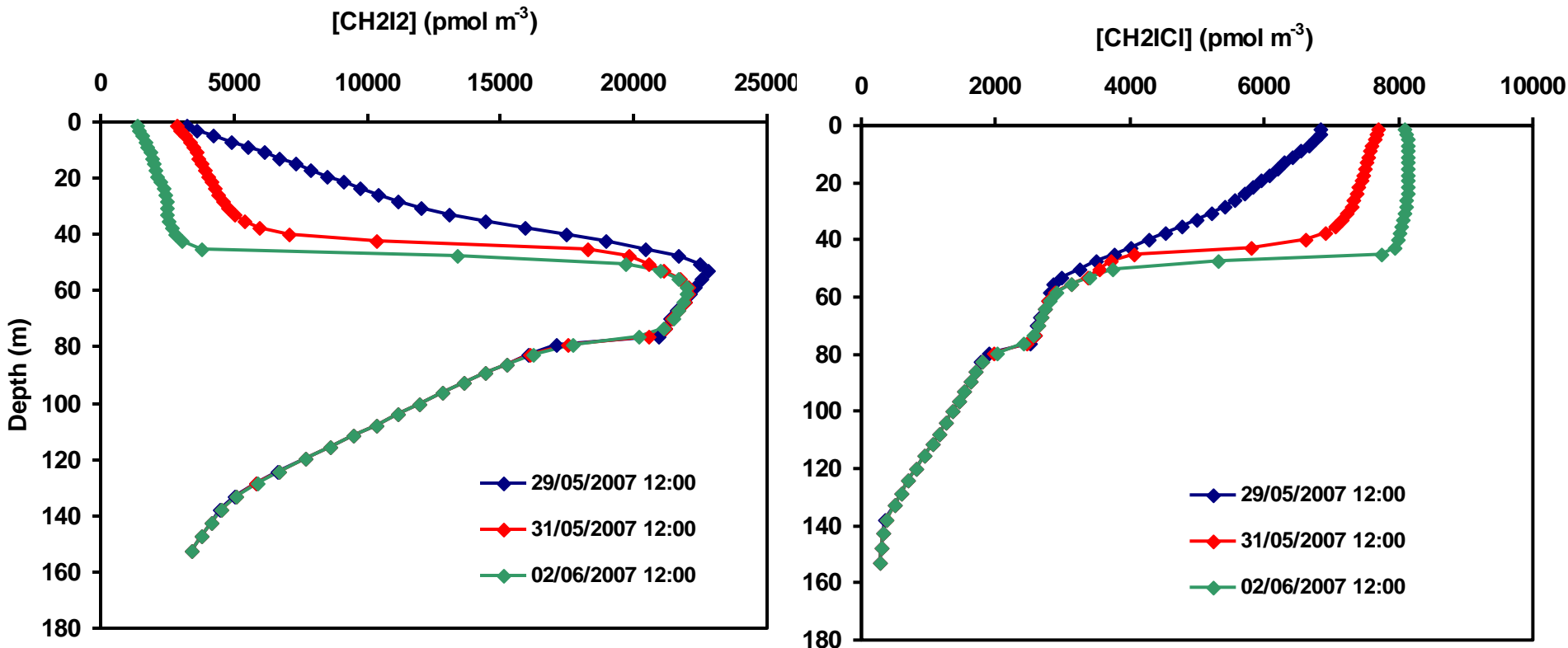
$\tau \sim 10$ mins at midday 53°N at surface



$\tau \sim 10$ hrs at midday 53°N at surface

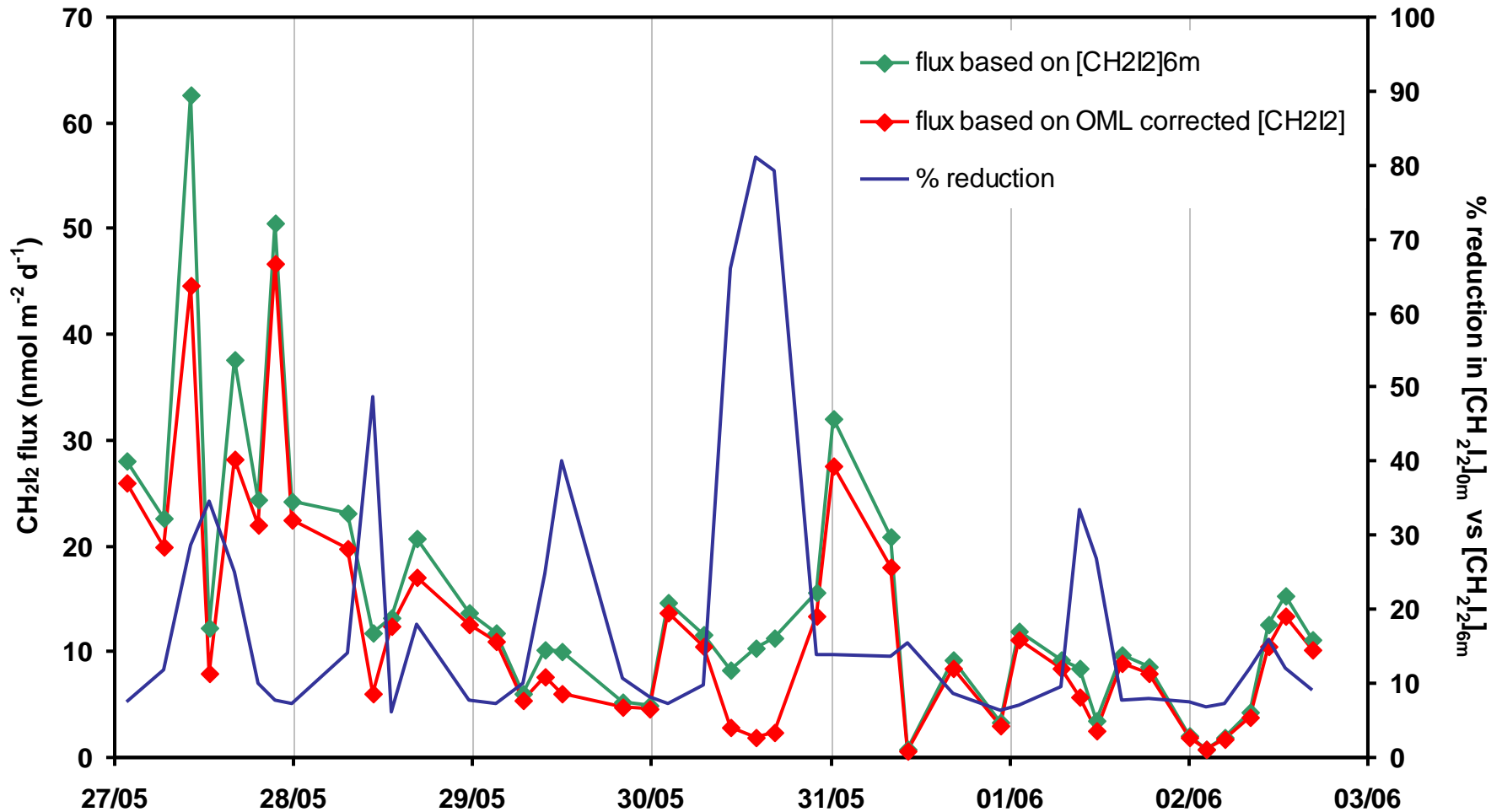
1-D Model of Turbulent Vertical Mixing in the Oceanic Boundary Layer

- used to correct sub-surface $[\text{CH}_2\text{I}_2]$ & $[\text{CH}_2\text{I}_2]$ into equivalent surface concentrations
- model generates time-resolved depth profiles of CH_2I_2 & CH_2I_2 within the top 150 m of the water column as a function of meteorological, biological & physical parameters



Absorption cross sections & photolysis quantum yields from Jones and Carpenter, *Environ. Sci. Technol.*, 2006.

CH₂I₂ sea-air fluxes from the Mauritanian upwelling region

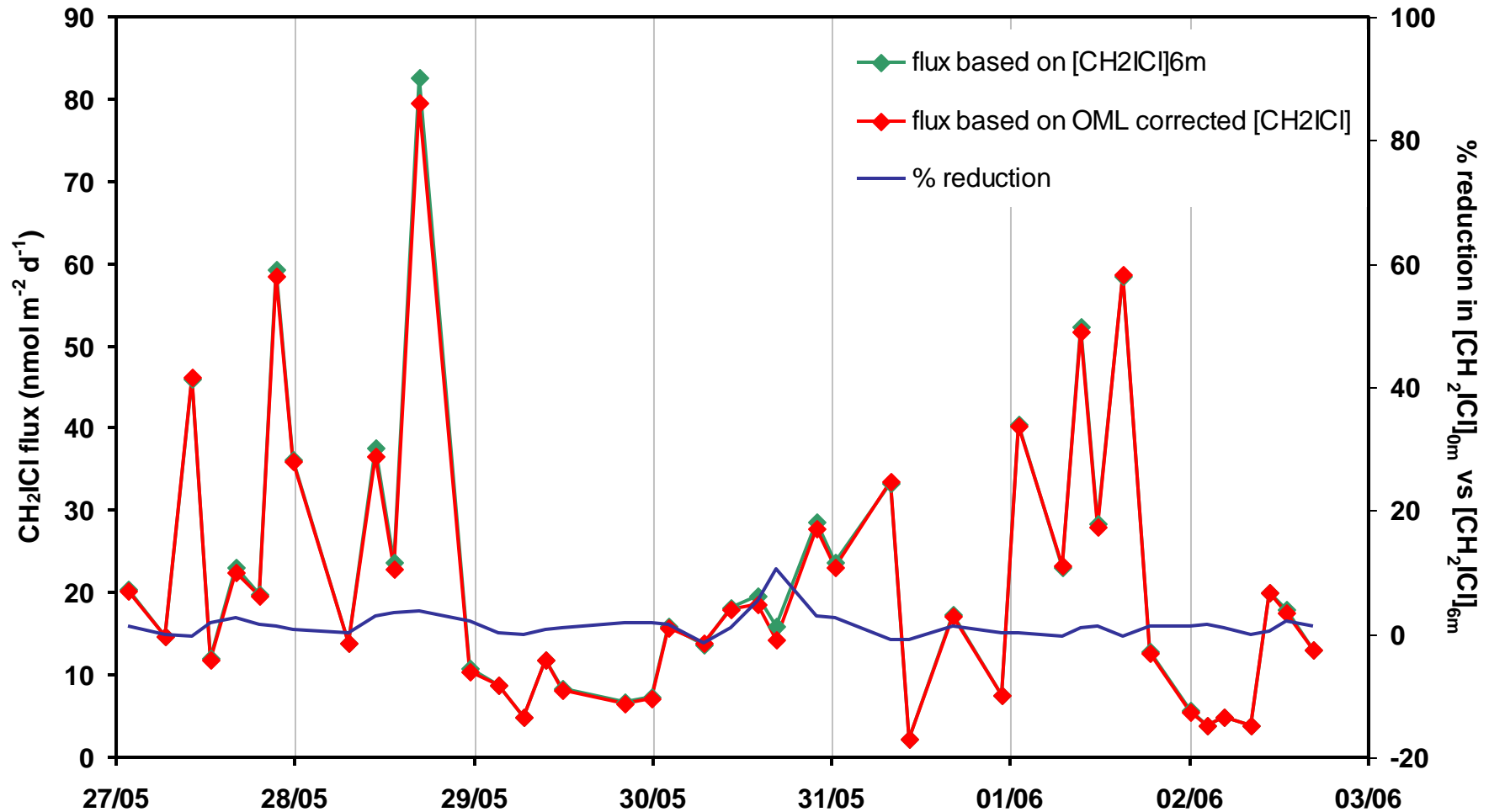


- Original mean CH₂I₂ flux from upwelling waters = 20.4 nmol m⁻² d⁻¹

- Mean CH₂I₂ flux after correcting surface seawater [CH₂I₂] = 16.5 nmol m⁻² d⁻¹

i.e. using sub-surface seawater [CH₂I₂] leads to an over-estimation of the CH₂I₂ flux of ~25%

CH₂ICl sea-air fluxes from the Mauritanian upwelling region



- Original mean CH₂ICl flux from upwelling waters = 21.6 nmol m⁻² d⁻¹

- Mean CH₂ICl flux after correcting surface seawater [CH₂ICl] = 21.3 nmol m⁻² d⁻¹

i.e. in the Mauritanian upwelling waters using sub-surface seawater [CH₂ICl] to calculate the sea-air flux does not lead to significant over- or under- estimation of the flux when averaged over a few days

Contribution of iodocarbons to the global iodine budget

Halocarbon	Open ocean flux (Gg I yr ⁻¹)	Shelf flux (Gg I yr ⁻¹)	Coastal flux (Gg I yr ⁻¹)	Upwelling flux (Gg I yr ⁻¹)	Total global I flux (Gg I yr ⁻¹)	Mean sea-air flux (μmol I m ⁻² yr ⁻¹)
CH ₂ ICl	93.0	87.1	12.2	10.6	213	
CH ₂ I ₂	169.0	34.8	6.3	12.8	221	
CH ₂ IBr	68.7	6.4	0.9	3.3	79	
Total (from CH₂IX)	331	128	19	27	513	
CH ₃ I	460	47	4	20	531	

Jones et al., GRL, 2010

Bell et al. 2002, Butler et al., 2007

Total (all iodocarbons)

272-546

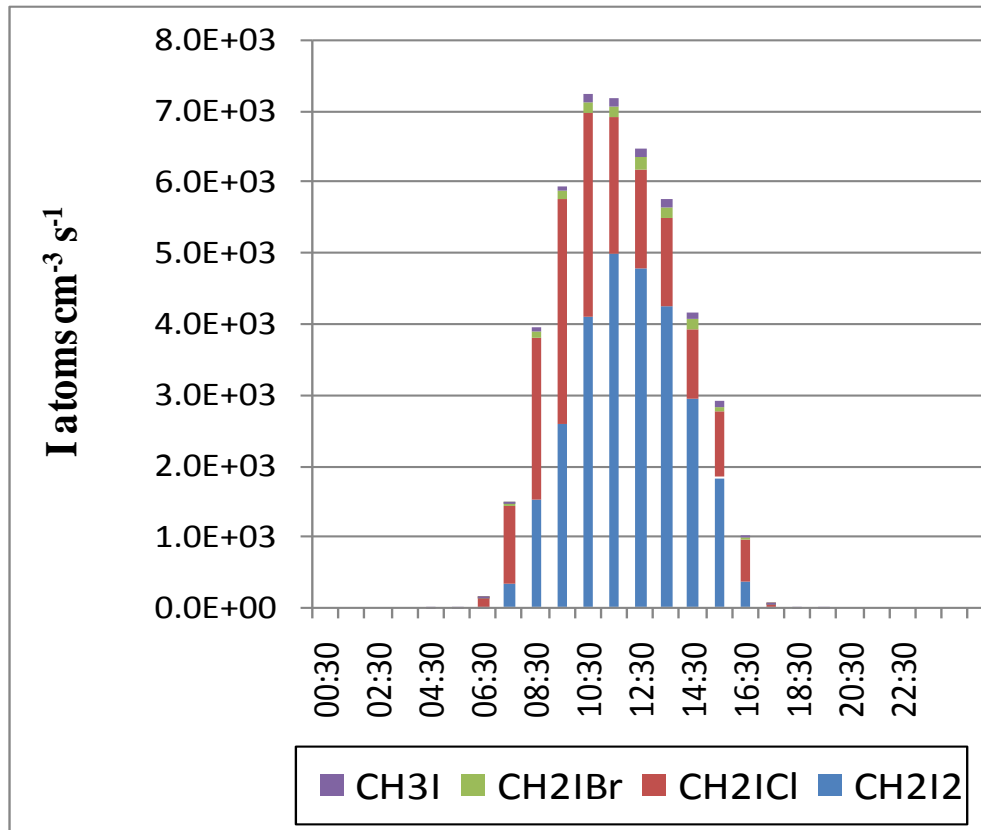
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Deposition in rain and aerosol () are the major routes for removal of iodine from the marine atmosphere² - total of **6.3 – 9.2 μmol I m⁻² yr⁻¹** I⁻ and IO₃⁻

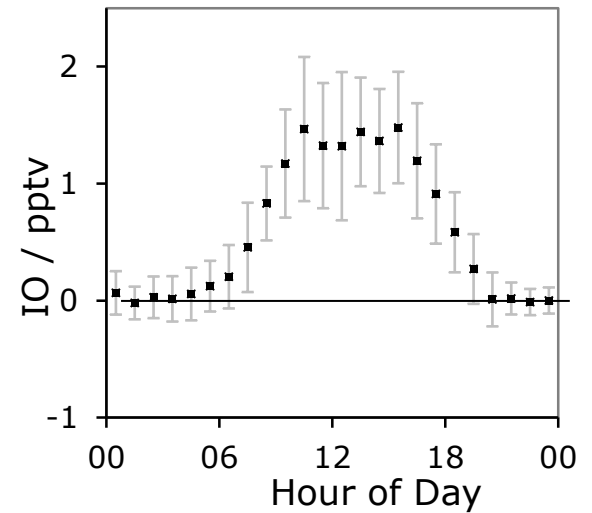
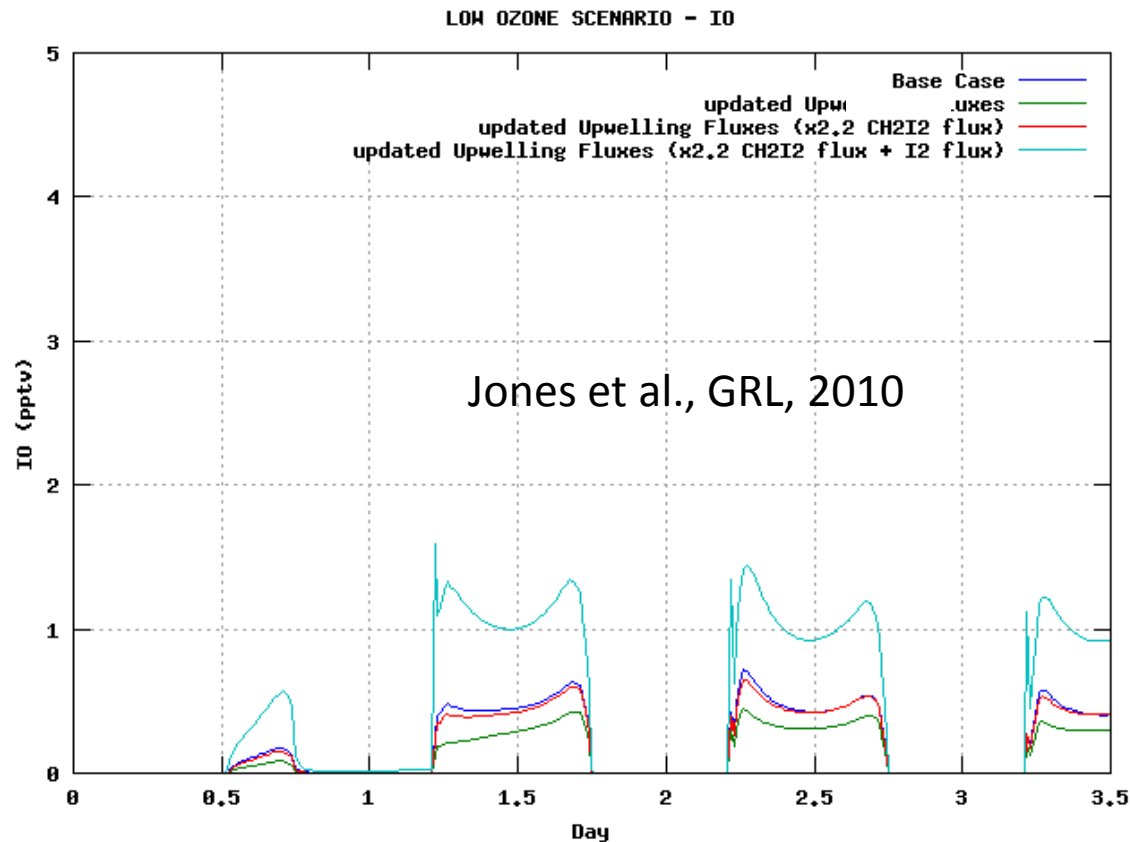
² Baker et al., JGR, 2001 results from southern North Sea

Contribution of iodocarbons to I atom production



- Instantaneous source rate of iodine atoms $\sim 0.7 \times 10^4$ atoms cm⁻³

MISTRA results – R. von Glasow and R. Sommariva



“Base Case” – Vogt et al. (1999) organoiodine fluxes

Upwelling fluxes

To match CH₂I₂ in air observations

x 2.2 CH₂I₂ flux + 80 μmol I m⁻² yr⁻¹ (as I₂)

•LP-DOAS results

J. Plane group

U York contributions to TORERO

Data outputs:

- Underway seawater and air sampling of a range of VSLH: CHCl_3 , CHBrCl_2 , CH_2Br_2 , CHBr_2Cl , CHBr_3 , CH_3I , $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{I}$, CH_2IBr , CH_2ICl , CH_2I_2
- Depth profiles of VSLH concentrations in seawater collected via CTDs
- Net sea-air fluxes of VSLH

Science outputs:

- Horizontal gradients in [VSLH] from open ocean to coastal upwelling
- Vertical gradients in [VSLH]. Comparison with Chl a fluorescence would allow an evaluation of the role of biological production in VSLH production
- Variation in chemical speciation of [VSLH] in different environments
- Comparison of Pacific with Atlantic VSLH sea-air fluxes

VSLH intercalibration:

- We can ship a 3L Silco can of pptv level VSLH (ca. 30 psi, previous tests show stable for months) to Elliot Atlas and Eric Apel for intercomparison purposes

U York questions for TORERO

Logistical:

ACCESS to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

Lab space. We need approx 1.1 x 1 m floor space and 1.5 m x 25" bench space in wet lab (for latter, looks like fixing pins are in the way). Please confirm space is available and for bench space, that pins can be removed.

Where can we put gas cylinders? What length of gas lines will we therefore need?

Air sampling line. We need a good approximation (+/- 2 m) of length required for air sampling line from air inlet at bow of ship to wet lab (incl. round corners etc.)

What load can we put on ship's UPS?

We'd like to maintain air measurements from Costa Rica – Hawaii. Requires access to GC-MSs over internet. What internet access is available?

Other:

A measurement of Chl a fluorescence (calibrated) at least in CTD samples, ideally also within underway seawater samples, would be highly beneficial to the project. Is anyone going to be doing this?