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generating 4.8×10^{-18} W per molecule (31). The reason that the synthetic system can do more work than the biomolecular one is that kinesin uses adenosine triphosphate as an energy source, which upon hydrolysis releases ~ 12 kcal mol⁻¹, whereas the present shuttle uses a 355-nm photon of 81 kcal mol⁻¹.

Tuning of the binding properties of the macrocycle and/or stations, and the photophysical properties of the active chromophore, may allow the use of light of a longer wavelength, faster switching times, and/or more powerful and efficient analogs to be produced. Practical applications of such light-induced mechanical motion at the molecular level might involve the rearrangement of the structure of surfaces or the "fetchingand-carrying" of molecules or clusters of atoms between specific locations (for example, across membranes).

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Tropical Tropospheric Ozone and Biomass Burning

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New methods for retrieving tropospheric ozone column depth and absorbing aerosol (smoke and dust) from the Earth Probe–Total Ozone Mapping Spectrometer (EP/TOMS) are used to follow pollution and to determine interannual variability and trends. During intense fires over Indonesia (August to November 1997), ozone plumes, decoupled from the smoke below, extended as far as India. This ozone overlay a regional ozone increase triggered by atmospheric responses to the El Niño and Indian Ocean Dipole. Tropospheric ozone and smoke aerosol measurements from the Nimbus 7 TOMS instrument show El Niño signals but no tropospheric ozone trend in the 1980s. Offsets between smoke and ozone seasonal maxima point to multiple factors determining tropical tropospheric ozone variability.

Smoke and excess tropospheric ozone, both by-products of biomass burning, have long been observed over large regions of the tropics with satellites (1–3), aircraft, balloons, and ground-based instrumentation (4–6). Ozone forms as a result of biomass burning because combustion products are ozone precursors in the atmosphere: nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, and hydrocarbons. Other combustion products lead to the formation of aerosol particles, including soot, that make up smoke. The highest smoke aerosol and tropospheric ozone amounts occur over southern Africa and the adjacent Atlantic (2, 5, 7), where a strong ozone, biomass-burning link has been con-

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Since late 1996, with the launch of Earth Probe-Total Ozone Mapping Spectrometer (EP/TOMS) (16), real-time processing of absorbing aerosol (smoke) and tropospheric ozone has enabled daily tracking of these pollutants at 1° latitude by 1.25° longitude resolution. The first exceptional ozone episode detected by EP/TOMS occurred during the 1997 El Niño-Southern Oscillation (ENSO) and Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD) events, when drought over Indonesia was followed by large fires. Here, we use climatological indices to show that ozone variations during this time resulted from perturbed dynamics, as well as from more active photochemistry (17-21). Comparison of the EP/ TOMS record with data from the Nimbus 7/TOMS instrument that operated from 1979 to 1992 (7) shows similarities to data from 1997 and allows determination of seasonal

cycles in tropospheric ozone and aerosols. The earlier record reveals an offset in the timing of seasonal tropospheric ozone and aerosol maxima and the absence of an ozone trend.

The TOMS smoke aerosol index (22, 23) is used as a proxy for biomass burning because it has daily global coverage and more consistent calibration and sampling than satellite fire counts. Tropospheric ozone column depth (TTO, in Dobson units; 1 DU = 2.69×10^{16} molecules cm⁻²) (7, 24–26) is retrieved by means of the modified-residual method with corrections for aerosol interferences in total ozone (27). Variations in ozone and smoke aerosol over the Indonesian region from August 1996 through December 1998 show a sharp TTO increase in mid-March 1997 (shift from the black to the red line in Fig. 1A), well before biomass fires (dashed line, Fig. 1A) led to a second increase in August 1997 (28). The March TTO increase is associated with the 1997-1998 ENSO (Fig. 1B, red triangles) and concurrent IOD that modify wind fields and precipitation (29-31). During an IOD event, followed by the Dipole Mode Index (Fig. 1B, asterisks), anomalous subsidence brings ozone toward the surface, causing the column amount to increase. By mid-July, reduced precipitation [elevated outgoing longwave radiation (Fig. 1B, squares)] led to drought conditions over Indonesia and an outbreak of wildfires (21).

Ozone and smoke aerosol vary greatly, and not always in phase, during the most intense burning (late July to early November 1997) (Fig. 1A). Six phases in the relation between smoke aerosol and TTO are distinguished, beginning with aerosol and ozone increasing together (Phase 1, Fig. 1C) as photochemical reactions take place among ozone precursors emitted by the fires (32-34). Phase 2 is marked by an aerosol increase and an ozone decline. This decoupling results from transport of ozone and smoke aerosol in different layers, a phenomenon suggested by Kita et al. (35), but not detectable in their analysis. There are several reasons why smoke aerosol and ozone and other trace gases sometimes diverge during the fires. In layers where TOMS detects dense aerosol, ozone may be depleted owing to heavy smoke (36). This can be seen during 19 to 27 August 1997, when smoke aerosol stagnates over the Kalimantan (Indonesia) fires (Fig. 2A) while high ozone spreads across western Indonesia and north toward southeast Asia. Evidently, during Phase 2, smoke aerosol was concentrated at ~ 2 km (750 hPa), and ozone peaks are above where the reflecting smoke layer causes an increase in the rates of ozoneforming photochemical reactions (20). Forward trajectories initialized with an air-parcel model (37) from the location of Kalimantan fires (black lines, Fig. 2A) show slow transport of aerosol. Ozone (Fig. 2B) follows faster 3-km (southerly) and 6-km (easterly) pathways. Southerly transport of ozone at 3 to 4 km is confirmed by the 27 August 1997 sounding at Watukosek, Java (17) (Fig. 2C).

Phase 3, occurring in the first half of September (Fig. 1C), marks a rapid increase in both smoke and TTO, brought on by heavy burning over Kalimantan and Sumatra and, to a lesser extent, over New Guinea (black contour in Fig. 3A). Forward trajectories at 3 and 6 km (37) (Fig. 3A) during this phase indicate recirculation over the Indonesian maritime continent that allows smoke to accumulate and TTO to

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reach 70 DU by 15 September. TTO during Phases 4 and 5 (Fig. 1C) is 10 to 30 DU above the Indonesian average (dashed line in Fig. 4A), similar to model calculations (20) and to excess ozone reported by the Global Ozone Monitoring Experiment satellite (38). Phase 4 (Fig. 1C) shows TTO and smoke decoupled. Here, aerosol builds up in the boundary layer until there is a lull in fires during the last week of September. At 3 to 6 km, where ozone is concentrated (17), increased winds transport ozone to the Indian Ocean (Fig. 3B) and maximum TTO drops to 50 DU. Ozone maximizes in Phase 5 when fires pick up again after 10



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5 0 -5 -10 -15 90 100 110 120 130 140 150 7 28 56 0.0 42 Modified-Residual Tropospheric Ozone (Dobson Units)



Fig. 2. Phase 2 smoke aerosol (A) for a typical 9-day average in mid- to late August 1997 (Phase 2 in Fig 1C). Stagnation of smoke plumes is indicated by the small displacement of air parcels initialized from Kalimantan fires at \sim 2 km. (B) Five-day forward trajectories (3 and 6 km are indicated by solid and dashed lines, respectively) superimposed on TTO from the 19 to 27 August 1997 period show that the decline in ozone may result from export to west and south. (C) The 3- to 4-km ozone peak in Watukosek (location denoted by yellow star) sounding on 27 August 1997.

9-Day Mean TTO, Contoured TOMS Absorbing Aerosol Index (>2)



Fig. 3. (**A**) High smoke aerosol (contoured where the index > 2) and TTO. (**B**) Phase 3 (Fig. 1C) with declining ozone in late September 1997. Forward trajectories superimposed over ozone at 3 (solid line) and 6 km (dashed line). In late September through early October, TTO declines when ozone flows from Kalimantan toward Singapore, Malaysia, and the Indian Ocean. (**C** and **D**) Maximum TTO is attained in Phase 5, and the plume extends to Sri Lanka and southern India.

October (Fig. 3C). By late October 1997, three distinct plumes—from Kalimantan-Sumatra-Malaysia, Africa (high TTO, 10° to 15°S) (Fig. 3, A to C), and New Guinea merge into a single feature extending to Sri Lanka and India (Fig. 3D). Ozone soundings verify that free tropospheric ozone increases in layers of varying intensity and thickness during October to November (17). Some ozone precursors reach 9 to 12 km (34), but ozone above this altitude is of uncertain origin. The sharp TTO drop in early November 1997 (Fig. 1C) marks a return to typical values for that time of year (Fig. 5).

The positive relation between anomalously high Indonesian ozone and Southern Oscillation (SOI) and Dipole Mode Index (DMI) also appears in the 1979 to 1992 Nimbus 7 TOMS record (7, 29). The 1982-1983 ENSO and IOD begin with low ozone (TTO ~ 20 DU) (Fig. 4A), followed by an ozone jump when SOI and DMI increase. A second ozone increase accompanies enhanced fire activity (Fig. 4B). The TTO and smoke aerosol 1980-1990 time series show no statistically significant trend (39-42) over Indonesia or other regions (South America and Africa) where biomass burning is an important contributor to ozone formation (7). The lack of a tropospheric ozone trend is consistent with recent work (43, 44) that indicates no TOMS total ozone change in the tropics during 1979-1992

Further examination of the ozone-smoke relation shows a general tendency for tropical ozone and smoke aerosol to be decoupled. The statistical model (39) used for analysis of 1980-1990 trends also yields the annual cycle in tropospheric ozone and smoke aerosol (Fig. 5). The regions selected straddle the equator so that both Northern and Southern Hemisphere burning seasons are captured. North of the equator biomass fires typically peak between December and April. To the south, fires peak between July and November. In none of the three regions illustrated is there a straightforward relation between the ozone maximum and peak burning. This is most evident over equatorial Africa, where the highest burning signal (January aerosol maximum) does not correspond to the highest ozone (45). In all cases, maximum TTO occurs in September to October. Only over South America does this match local burning, and even there, the shoulder of high ozone that occurs in July to August probably denotes ozone transported from Africa (4, 5). Besides intercontinental transport, offsets have been attributed to interhemispheric transport, lightning, and large-scale dynamics (10, 12-15). Whatever the case, the inference is that biomass burning, although critical during intense episodes, is only one factor determining the tropospheric ozone column in the tropics.



Fig. 4. (**A**) Tropospheric ozone and (**B**) smoke aerosol, averaged twice monthly from the Nimbus 7/TOMS instrument for three regions. Dashed lines represent deseasonalized trends from 1980 to 1990, not statistically significant in TTO. The apparent increase in smoke aerosol may be an artifact of instrument drift (*41*); smoke increases in the 1990s are more likely (*42*). Trend calculations for Africa and South America (not shown) also show no ozone trend (7).



Fig. 5. Seasonal cycle based on 1980–1990 Nimbus 7/TOMS TTO and smoke aerosol, derived from the same statistical model (39) used in Fig 4.

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 Smoke is detected from a number of satellite sensors, e.g., AVHRR (Advanced Very-High Resolution Radiometer), GOES (Geostationary Observations over Earth Sensor), SeaWIFS (Sea Wide-Field of View Spectrometer), TOMS, and MODIS (Moderate High-Resolution Imaging Spectrometer). Fires are detected from some satellites. See fire counts from Along-Trace Scanning Radiometer (ATSR) at http:// shark1.esrin.esa.it/FIRE/AF/ATSR. In the present study, a generally good colocation of TOMS smoke aerosol and ATSR fires in August to October 1997 allows use of TOMS aerosol as a proxy for burning activity. Fishman and Brackett (2) give 2- to 3-month-averaged tropospheric ozone obtained by subtraction of the SAGE (Stratospheric Aerosols and Gases Experiment) satellite instrument stratospheric column ozone from TOMS total ozone. Attempts to extract daily tropospheric ozone by subtracting solar backscatter ultraviolet stratospheric column ozone from TOMS may give erroneous results (3).

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Synchronous Tropical South China Sea SST Change and Greenland Warming During Deglaciation

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The tropical ocean plays a major role in global climate. It is therefore crucial to establish the precise phase between tropical and high-latitude climate variability during past abrupt climate events in order to gain insight into the mechanisms of global climate change. Here we present alkenone sea surface temperature (SST) records from the tropical South China Sea that show an abrupt temperature increase of at least 1°C at the end of the last glacial period. Within the recognized dating uncertainties, this SST increase is synchronous with the Bølling warming observed at 14.6 thousand years ago in the Greenland Ice Sheet Project 2 ice core.

Previous studies of the phase relation between tropical and high-latitude warming during the last deglaciation came to contrasting conclusions: the tropical ocean was either synchronous with (1) or led (2, 3) the Northern Hemisphere deglacial temperature increase. Antiphasing between changes in tropical Atlantic SST and temperature over Greenland is expected based on the bipolar see-saw mechanism (4). But the timing of deglacial SST increases in the Pacific and Indian Oceans relative to highlatitude warming is still controversial. On the basis of a radiocarbon-dated alkenone thermometry (UK37)-SST record from the tropical northwestern Indian Ocean, Bard et al. (1) inferred an interhemispheric synchrony of deglacial warming in the Arabian Sea and Greenland, specifically during the Bølling Transition at the end of the last Downloaded from https://www.science.org at University of Maryland Baltimore County on July 07, 2023

accelerated mass spectrometry (AMS) ¹⁴Cdated U^K₃₇-SST and foraminiferal δ^{18} O records (Fig. 1, A and B) (6) from the tropical southern South China Sea (SCS), a non-upwelling environment within the Western Pacific Warm Pool (WPWP), that cover the late glacial-to-Holocene transition. Sediment cores 18252-3 and 18287-3 were retrieved from the southwestern (9°14'N, 109°23'E, 1273-m water depth) and southern (5°39'N, 110°39'E, 598-m

water depth) SCS, respectively. According

glaciation. However, this Indian Ocean

UK37-SST change leads planktonic forami-

niferal δ^{18} O from the same core (5) during

this abrupt event. A similar lead of forami-

niferal Mg/Ca-derived SST estimates ver-

sus δ^{18} O, as well as the correspondence

between equatorial Pacific foraminiferal

Mg/Ca and Antarctic temperature records,

however, prompted Lea et al. (2) to postu-

late a lead of tropical Pacific deglacial SST

increase versus ice volume, and a syn-

chroneity with Antarctic warming during

Here we present two high-resolution,

deglaciation.

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