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PREFACE

National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) are promulgated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to meet requirements set forth in Sections 108 and 109 of the U.S. Clean Air Act (CAA). Sections 108 and 109 require the EPA Administrator (1) to list widespread air pollutants that reasonably may be expected to endanger public health or welfare; (2) to issue air quality criteria for them that assess the latest available scientific information on nature and effects of ambient exposure to them; (3) to set "primary" NAAQS to protect human health with adequate margin of safety and to set "secondary" NAAQS to protect against welfare effects (e.g., effects on vegetation, ecosystems, visibility, climate, manmade materials, etc); and (5) to periodically review and revise, as appropriate, the criteria and NAAQS for a given listed pollutant or class of pollutants.

In 1971, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) promulgated National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) to protect the public health and welfare from adverse effects of photochemical oxidants. The EPA promulgates the NAAQS on the basis of scientific information contained in air quality criteria issued under Section 108 of the Clean Air Act. Following the review of criteria as contained in the EPA document, Air Quality Criteria for Ozone and Other Photochemical Oxidants published in 1978, the chemical designation of the standards was changed from photochemical oxidants to ozone (O_3) in 1979 and a 1-hour O_3 NAAQS was set. The 1978 document focused mainly on the air quality criteria for O_3 and, to a lesser extent, on those for other photochemical oxidants (e.g., hydrogen peroxide and the peroxyacyl nitrates), as have subsequent revised versions of the ozone document.

To meet Clean Air Act requirements noted above for periodic review of criteria and NAAQS, the O_3 criteria document, *Air Quality Criteria for Ozone and Other Photochemical Oxidants*, was next revised and then released in August 1986; and a supplement, *Summary of Selected New Information on Effects of Ozone on Health and Vegetation*, was issued in January 1992. These documents were the basis for a March 1993 decision by EPA that revision of the existing 1-h NAAQS for O_3 was not appropriate at that time. That decision, however, did not take into account some newer scientific data that became available after completion of the 1986 criteria document. Such literature was assessed in the next periodic revision of the O_3 air quality criteria document (completed in 1996) and provided scientific bases supporting the setting by EPA in 1997 of an 8-h O_3 NAAQS that is currently in force together with the 1-h O_3 standard.

The purpose of this revised air quality criteria document for O_3 and related photochemical oxidants is to critically evaluate and assess the latest scientific information published since that assessed in the above 1996 Ozone Air Quality Criteria Document (O_3 AQCD), with the main focus being on pertinent new information useful in evaluating health and environmental effects data associated with ambient air O_3 exposures. However, some other scientific data are also presented and evaluated in order to provide a better understanding of the nature, sources, distribution, measurement, and concentrations of O_3 and related photochemical oxidants and their precursors in the environment. The document mainly assesses pertinent literature published or accepted for publication through 2004.

The present Second Draft O_3 AQCD (dated August 2005) is being released for public comment and review by the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) to obtain comments on the organization and structure of the document, the issues addressed, the approaches employed in assessing and interpreting the newly available information on O_3 exposures and effects, and the key findings and conclusions arrived at as a consequence of this assessment. Public comments and recommendations will be taken into account making any appropriate further revisions to this document for incorporation into the final version of the document to be completed and issued by February 28, 2006. Evaluations contained in the present document will be drawn on to provide inputs to associated PM Staff Paper analyses prepared by EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) to pose options for consideration by the EPA Administrator with regard to proposal and, ultimately, promulgation of decisions on potential retention or revision, as appropriate, of the current O_3 NAAQS.

Preparation of this document was coordinated by staff of EPA's National Center for Environmental Assessment in Research Triangle Park (NCEA-RTP). NCEA-RTP scientific staff, together with experts from other EPA/ORD laboratories and academia, contributed to writing of document chapters. Earlier drafts of document materials were reviewed by non-EPA experts in peer consultation workshops held by EPA. The document describes the nature, sources, distribution, measurement, and concentrations of O_3 in outdoor (ambient) and indoor environments. It also evaluates the latest data on human exposures to ambient O_3 and consequent health effects in exposed human populations, to support decision making regarding the primary, health-related O_3 NAAQS. The document also evaluates ambient O_3 environmental effects on vegetation and ecosystems, man-made materials, and surface level solar UV radiation flux and global climate change, to support decision making on secondary O_3 NAAQS.

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AA	ascorbic acid
ACh	acetylcholine
ADSS	aged and diluted sidestream cigarette smoke
AED	aerodynamic diameter
AER	air exchange rate
AEROCE	Atmospheric/Ocean Chemistry Experiment
AF	adsorbed fraction
AGL	above ground level
AHCs	aromatic hydrocarbons
AHR	airway hyperreactivity
AirPEX	Air Pollution Exposure (model)
AirQUIS	Air Quality Information System (model)
AIRS	Aerometric Information Retrieval System
ALI	air-liquid interface
AM	alveolar macrophage
A_p	peripheral lung
AP	alkaline phosphatase
AP-CIMS	Atmospheric Pressure Chemical Ionization Mass Spectrometer
APEX	Air Pollutants Exposure Model
APHEA	Air Pollution on Health: European Approach (study)
AQCD	Air Quality Criteria Document
ASC	ascorbate
A/V	surface-to-volume ratio
BAL	bronchoalveolar lavage
BALF	bronchoalveolar lavage fluid
BALT	bronchus-associated lymphoid tissue
B[*a*]P	benzo[*a*]pyrene
BC	black carbon
BEIS	Biogenic Emission Inventory System

BERLIOZ	Berlin Ozone Experiment
BHC	biogenic hydrocarbons
BHR	bronchial hyperresponsiveness
BME	Bayesian Maxim Eutropy
BMZ	basement membrane zone
BP	blood pressure
BrdU	bromodeoxyuridine
BS	black smoke
BSA	body surface area
BSA	bovine serum albumin
C	concentration
C × T	concentration × time; concentration times duration of exposure
C_2H_2–H	ethane
C3a	complement protein fragment
CAAA	Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990
CADS	Cincinnati Activity Diary Study
CAPs	concentrated ambient particles
CAR	centriacinar region
CASTNet, CASTNET	Clean Air Status and Trends Network
CAT	cell antioxidant capacity
CBL	convective boundary layer
CC16	Clara cell secretory protein
CCh	carbachol
CCSP	Clara cell secretory protein
CE	continuous exercise
CEPEX	Central Equatorial Pacific Experiment
CFD	computational fluid dynamics
CG	cloud-to-ground (flash)
CHAD	Consolidated Human Activities Database
CH_2=C(CH_3)–CHO	methacrolein

$CH_3–CCl_3$	methyl chloroform
$CH_3–CHO$	acetaldehyde
$CH_3–CO$	acetyl
$CH_3–C(O)–CH=CH_2$	methyl vinyl ketone
$CH_3–O(O)CH_3$	acetone
$CH_3–C(O)O_2$, $CH_3–O(O)OO$	acetyl peroxy, peroxyacetyl
CH_3O	methoxy
CH_3OOH	methyl hydroperoxide
CH_3O_2	methyl peroxy
CH_4	methane
CI	confidence interval
CIMS	Chemical Ionization Mass Spectroscopy
CINC	cytokine-induced neutrophil chemoattractant
CIU, CBU	cumulative inhalation unit
CL	chemiluminescence
CMAQ	Community Model for Air Quality
CMDO	chloromethylbutenone
CMD	count mean diameter
CMSA	consolidated metropolitan statistical area
CN	condensation nuclei
CNS	central nervous system
CO	carbon monoxide
CO_2	carbon dioxide
COD	coefficient of divergence
ConA	concanavalin A
COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CTM	chemistry transport model
CYP	cytochrome P-450
Cyt.	cytochrome
Δ	delta, mean change in a variable

DA	dry airstream
DD	doubling dose
DHBA	2,3-dehydroxybenzoic acid
DI	dry intrusion
DIAL	differential absorption lidar (system)
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
DOAS	differential optical absorption spectroscopy
DOC	dissolved organic carbon
DPPC	dipalmitoylglycero-3-phosphocholine
DR	disulfide reductase
DTPA	diethylenetriaminepentaacetic acid
EBC	exhaled breath condensate (fluid)
ECG	electrocardiographic
EDMAS	Exposure and Dose Modeling and Analysis System
ELF	epithelial lining fluid
EM	electron microscopy
ENA	epithelial cell-derived neutrophil-activating peptide
EOFs	empirical orthogonal functions
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
EPEM	Event Probability Exposure Model
EPR	electron paramagnetic resonance
EPRI	Electric Power Research Institute
ERAQS	Eastern Regional Air Quality Study
ETS	environmental tobacco smoke
EVR	equivalent ventilation rate
f, f, f_B	frequency of breathing
F	female
F344	Fischer 344 (rat)
FA	filtered air
FA	fractional absorption; absorbed fraction

FEF	forced expiratory flow
FEF_{25-75}	forced expiratory flow between 25 and 75% of vital capacity
FEF_x	forced expiratory flow after X% vital capacity (e.g., after 50% vital capcity)
FEV_1	forced expiratory volume in 1 second
FIVC	forced inspiratory vital capacity
Fn	fibronectin
FRC	functional residual capacity
FS	field stimulation
FTIR	Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy
FVC	forced vital capacity
GAM	General Additive Model
GCE	Goddard Cumulus Ensemble (model)
GC-FID	gas chromatography-flame ionization detection
GDT	glutathione-disulfide transhydrogenase
GEE	Generalized Estimating Equations
GEOS-1 DAS	NASA Goddard Earth Orbiting System Data Assimilation System
GEOS-CHEM	three-dimensional model of atmospheric composition driven by assimilated Goddard Earth Orbiting System observations
GLM	General Linear Model
GM-CSF	granulocyte-macrophage colony stimulating factor
G6PD	glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase
GR	glutathione reductase
GSH	glutathione; reduced glutathione
GSHPx, GPx	glutathione peroxidase
GSSG	glutathione disulfide
GST	glutathione-*S*-transferase
GSTM1	glutathione *S*-transferase μ-1 (genotype)
GSTM1null	glutathione *S*-transferase μ-1 null (genotype)
H^+	hydrogen ion; symbol for acid
HCO	formyl

H_2CO, HCHO	formaldehyde
HDMA	house dust mite allergen
HF	Howland Forest
H_2O_2	hydrogen peroxide
H_2SO_4	sulfuric acid
HCs	hydrocarbons
HHP-C9	1-hydroxy-1-hydroperoxynonane
HIST	histamine
HLA	human lymphocyte antigen
HNE	4-hydroxynonenal
HNO_2	nitrous acid
HNO_3	nitric acid
HONO	nitrous acid
HOONO	pernitrous acid
HR	heart rate
HRV	heart rate variability
5-HT	5-hydroxytryptamine
hν	solar ultraviolet proton
IAS	interalveolar septum
IBM	individual-based model or modeling
IC	inspiratory capacity
IC	intracloud (flash)
ICAM	intracellular adhesion molecule
ICEM	Indoor Chemistry and Exposure Model
ICS	inhaled steroids
ID#	identification number
IE	intermittent exercise
Ig	immunoglobulin (e.g., IgA, IgE, IgG, IgM)
IL	interleukin (e.g., IL-1, IL-6, IL-8)
IN	intranasal

INF	interferon
inh	inhalation
iNOS	inducible nitric oxide synthase
I/O	indoor-to-outdoor ratio
ip	intraperitoneal
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
IPMMI	International Photolysis Frequency Measurement and Modeling Intercomparison
IQR	interquartile range
ISCCP	International Satellite Cloud Climatology Project
IT	intratracheal
IU	International Units
iv	intravenous
$j(NO_2)$	photolysis rate coefficient for O_3 to NO_2
$j(O_3)$	photolysis rate coefficient for O_3 to $O(^1D)$
K_a	intrinsic mass transfer coefficient/parameter
K_{TB}	tracheobronchial region overall mass transfer coefficient
LDH	lactate dehydrogenase
LFHFR	low frequency/high frequency
LFT	lower free troposphere
LIF	laser-induced fluorescence
LIS	lateral intercellular space
LLJ	low-level jet
LM	light microscopy
LOESS	locally estimated smoothing splines
LPS	lipopolysaccharide
LT	leukotriene (e.g., LTB_4, LTC_4, LTD_4, LTE_4)
LT	local time
LST	local standard time
LWC	liquid water content
M	male

MAQSIP	Multiscale Air Quality Simulation Platform
MBL	marine boundary layer
NBTH	3-methyl-2-benzothiazolinone acetone azine
MCCP	Mountain Cloud Chemistry Program
MCh	methacholine
MCM	master chemical mechanism
MCP	monocyte chemotactic protein
MENTOR	Modeling Environment for Total Risk Studies
MET	metabolic equivalent of work
MHC	major histocompatibility
MIESR	matrix isolation ESR spectroscopy
MIP	macrophage inflammatory protein
MLN	mediastinal lymph node
MM	Mt. Mitchell
MM5	NCAR/Penn State Mesoscale Model
MMAD	mass median aerodynamic diameter
MoOx	molybdenum oxides
MOZAIC	Measurement of Ozone and Water Vapor by Airbus In-Service Aircraft
MPAN	methacryloylperoxynitrate; peroxy-methacrylic nitric anhydride
mRNA	messenger ribonucleic acid
MS	mass spectrometry
MS	Mt. Moosilauke
MSA	metropolitan statistical area
MS/MS	tandem mass spectrometry
MT	metallothionein
n, N	number
N_2O_5	dinitrogen pentoxide
N/A	not available
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NADH	reduced nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide

NADP	National Atmospheric Deposition Program
NADPH	reduced nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate
NADPH-CR	reduced nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate-cytochrome c reductase
NAG	N-acetyl-β-*d*-glucosamine
NAPBM	National Air Pollution Background Network
NARE	North Atlantic Regional Experiment
NBS	National Bureau of Standards
NCAR	National Center for Atmospheric Research
NCEA-RTP	National Center for Environmental Assessment Division in Research Triangle Park, NC
NCICAS	National Cooperative Inner-City Asthma Study
NCLAN	National Crop Loss Assessment Network
ND	not detectable
NEM	National Ambient Air Quality Standards Exposure Model
NESCAUM	Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management
NF	national forest
NF-κB	nuclear factor kappa B
NH_3	ammonia (gas)
NH_4^+	ammonium ion
NHAPS	National Human Activity Pattern Survey
NHBE	cultured human bronchial epithelial (cells)
$(NH_4)_2SO_4$	ammonium sulfate
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NK	natural killer (cells)
NL	nasal lavage
NLF	nasal lavage fluid
NM	national monument
NMHCs	nonmethane hydrocarbons
NMOCs	nonmethane organic compounds
NMVOCs	nonmethane volatile organic compounds

NO	nitric oxide
NO_2	nitrogen dioxide
NO_3^-	nitrate
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NOAELs	non-observable-adverse-effect levels
NOS	nitric oxide synthase
NO_x	nitrogen oxides
NO_y	total reactive nitrogen; sum of NO_x and NO_z; odd nitrogen species
NO_z	nitrogen-containing species, the sum of the products of the oxidation of NO_x
NP	national park
NQO1wt	NAD(P)H-quinone oxidoreductase wild type (genotype)
NRC	National Research Council
NS	national seashore
NS	nonsignificant
NS	nonsmoker
NSAID	non-steroidal anti-inflammatory agent
NSBR	nonspecific bronchial responsiveness
NTE	nasal trubinate epithelial (cells)
NTRMs	NIST Traceable Reference Materials
NWR	national wildlife refuge
O_2^-	superoxide
O_3	ozone
$O(^3P)$	ground-state oxygen atom
OAQPS	Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards
OBMs	observationally based methods
$O(^1D)$	electronically excited oxygen atom
OH	hydroxy
8-OHdG	8-hydroxy-2′-deoxyguanosine
OLS	ordinary least squares
OPE	ozone production efficiency

OVA	ovalbumin
O_x	odd oxygen species
p	probability
P_{90}	values of the 90th percentile absolute difference in concentrations
PAF	platelet-activating factor
PAHs	polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons
PAMS	Photochemical Aerometric Monitoring System
PAN	peroxyacetyl nitrate
P_aO_2	partial pressure of arterial oxygen
PAR	proximal alveolar region
p-ATP	*para*-acetamidophenol
PBL	peripheral blood lymphocytes
PBL	planetary boundary layer
PBM	population-based model or modeling
PBN	C-phenyl N-tert-butyl nitrone
PBPK	physiologically based pharmacokinetic (approach)
PC_{20}	provocative concentration that produces a 20% decrease in forced expiratory volume in 1 second
PC_{50}	provocative concentration that produces a 50% decrease in forced expiratory volume in 1 second
PCA	principal component analysis
pCO_2	partial pressure of carbon dioxide
$PD_{20}FEV_1$, $PC_{20}FEV_1$	provovative dose or concentration that produces a 20% decrease in FEV_1
$PD_{100}SR_{aw}$	provocative dose that produces a 100% increase in SR_{aw}
PD_{20}	provocative dose that produces a 20% decrease in forced expiratory volume in 1 s
PE	postexposure
PEF	peak expiratory flow
PEFR	peak expiratory flow rate
PEM	personal exposure monitor
PG	prostaglandin (e.g., PGD_2, PGE, PGE_1, PGE_2 $PGF_{1\alpha}$, $PGF_{2\alpha}$)

6PGD	6-phosphogluconate dehydrogenase
PHA	phytohemagglutinin
PIF	peak inspiratory flow
PM	particulate matter
$Pm_{0.1}$	pressure at mouth at 0.1 second of inspiration against a transiently occluded mouthpiece, an index of inspiratory drive
PM_{10}	combination of coarse and fine particulate matter (mass median aerodynamic diameter $\leq$10 μm)
$PM_{2.5}$	fine particulate matter (mass median aerodynamic diameter $\leq$2.5 μm)
PMNs	polymorphonuclear neutrolphil leukocytes; neutrophils
PND	postnatal day
pNEM	Probabilistic National Ambient Air Quality Standard Exposure Model
PNN_{50}	proportion of adjacent NN intervals differing by more than 50 ms
POC	particulate organic carbon
ppb	parts per billion
ppbv	parts per billion by volume
pphm	parts per hundred million
ppm	parts per million
PPN	peroxypropionyl nitrate
PPPs	power plant plumes
pptv	parts per trillion by volume
PRB	policy relevant background
PTR-MS	proton-transfer-reaction mass spectroscopy
PUL	pulmonary
PWM	pokeweed mitogen
r	correlation coefficient
R	intraclass correlation coefficient
r^2	correlation coefficient
R^2	multiple correlation coefficient
RACM	Regional Air Chemistry Mechanism

RADM	Regional Acid Deposition Model
rALP	recombinant antileukoprotease
RAMS	Regional Atmospheric Modeling System
RANTES	regulated on activation, normal T cell-expressed and -secreted (cells)
R_{aw}	airway resistance
RB	respiratory bronchiole
R'CO	acyl
RC(O)OO, R'C(O)O_2	peroxyacyl, acyl peroxy
RDBMS	Relational Database Management Systems
REHEX	Regional Human Exposure Model
RER	rough endoplasmic reticulum
RH	relative humidity
RIOPA	Relationship of Indoor, Outdoor, and Personal Air (study)
R_L	total pulmonary resistance
RMR	resting metabolic rate
rMSSD	square root of the mean of the squared difference between adjacent normal RR intervals
RO_2	organic peroxy
ROI	reactive oxygen intermediate/superoxide anion
RONO	organic nitrate
RO_2NO_2	peroxy nitrate
ROS	reactive oxygen species
RR	relative risk
RRMS	relatively remote monitoring sites
RT	respiratory tract
R_T	total respiratory resistance
R_T	transepithelial resistance
PV	potential vorticity
σ_g	sigma-g, geometric standard deviation
S	smoker
SAC	*Staphylococcus aureus* Cowan 1 strain

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S_aO_2	oxygen saturation of arterial blood
SAPRC	Statewide Air Pollution Research Center, University of California, Riverside
SAROAD	Storage and Retrieval of Aerometric Data (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency centralized database; superseded by Aerometric Information Retrieval System [AIRS])
SAW_{grp}	small airway function
sc	subcutaneous
SC	stratum corneum
SCAQS	Southern California Air Quality Study
SD, S-D	Sprague-Dawley
SD	standard deviation
SDNN	standard deviation around RR intervals
SE	standard error
SES	socioeconomic status
SG_{aw}	specific airway conductance
SH	Shenandoah National Park
SHEDS	Simulation of Human Exposure and Dose System
SO_2	sulfur dioxide
SO_4^{2-}	sulfate
SOD	superoxide dismutase
SOS	Southern Oxidant Study
SO_x	sulfur oxides
SP	substance P
SP	surfactant protein (e.g., SP-A, SP-D)
SR_{aw}	specific airway resistance
SRBC	sheep red blood cell
SRM	standard reference material
STE	stratospheric-tropospheric exchange
STEP	Stratospheric-Tropospheric-Exchange Project

STPD	standard temperature and pressure, dry
STRF	Spatio-Temporal Random Field
SUM06	seasonal sum of all hourly average concentrations ≥0.06 ppm
SUM07	seasonal sum of all hourly average concentrations ≥0.07 ppm
SUM08	seasonal sum of all hourly average concentrations ≥0.08 ppm
T	time (duration of exposure)
T_3	triiodothyronine
T_4	thyroxine
TAR	Third Assessment Report
TB	terminal bronchiole
TB	tracheobronchial (region)
TBA	thiobarbituric acid
TBARS	thiobarbituric acid reactive substances
^{99m}Tc-DTPA	radiolabeled diethylenetriaminepentaacetic acid
T_{CO}	core temperature
TDLAS	tunable-diode laser absorption spectroscopy
TEM	transmission electron microscopy
Tg	teragram
T_i	inspiratory time
TLC	total lung capacity
TLR	Toll-like receptor
TNF	tumor necrosis factor
TOMS	Total Ozone Mapping Satellite; total ozone mapping spectrometer
TOPSE	Tropospheric Ozone Production About the Spring Equinox
TRIM	Total Risk Integrated Methodology (model)
TRIM EXPO	Total Risk Integrated Methodology Exposure Event (model)
TPLIF	two-photon laser-induced fluorescence
TSH	thyroid-stimulating hormone
TSP	total suspended particulate
TTFMS	two-tone frequency-modulated spectroscopy
TVA	Tennessee Valley Authority

TWA	time-weighted average
TX	thromboxane (A_2, B_2)
UA	uric acid
UAM	Urban Airshed Model
URT	upper respiratory tract
UTC	Coordinated Universal Time
UV	ultraviolet
UV-A	ultraviolet radiation of wavelengths 320 to 400 nm
UV-DIAL	Ultraviolet Differential Absorption Lidar
VC	vital capacity
VCAM	vascular cell adhesion molecule
V_D	anatomic dead space
$\dot{V}_E$	minute ventilation; expired volume per minute
$\dot{V}_{Emax}$	maximum minute ventilation
$\dot{V}_{max25\%}$	maximum expiratory flow at 25% of the vital capacity
$\dot{V}_{max50\%}$	maximum expiratory flow at 50% of the vital capacity
$\dot{V}_{max50\%TLC}$	maximum expiratory flow at 50% of the total lung capacity
$\dot{V}_{max75\%}$	maximum expiratory flow at 75% of the vital capacity
VMD	volume mean diameter
$\dot{V}O_{2max}$	maximal oxygen uptake (maximal aerobic capacity)
VOCs	volatile organic compounds
V_T	tidal volume
V_T	tracheal transepithelial potential
V_{TB}	dose to tracheobronchial region
V_{Tmax}	maximum tidal volume
W126	cumulative integrated exposure index with a sigmoidal weighting function
WF, WFM	White Face Mountain
WT	White Top Mountain
WT	wild type

ANNEX AX2. PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY OF OZONE IN THE ATMOSPHERE

AX2.1 INTRODUCTION

This annex (Annex AX2) provides detailed supporting information for Chapter 2 on the physics and chemistry of ozone (O_3) in the atmosphere. The organization of the material in this annex follows that used in prior Air Quality Criteria Documents, i.e., material is presented in sections and subsections. This annex provides material supporting Chapter 2 of the current draft Air Quality Criteria Document for Ozone.

Section AX2.2 focuses on the chemistry of O_3 formation. A very brief overview of atmospheric structure is presented in Section AX2.2.1. An overview of O_3 chemistry is given in Section AX2.2.2. Information about reactive chemical species that initiate the oxidation of VOCs is given in Section AX2.2.3. The chemistry of nitrogen oxides is then discussed briefly in Section AX2.2.4. The oxidation of methane, the simplest hydrocarbon is outlined in Section AX2.2.5.

The photochemical cycles leading to O_3 production are best understood by considering the oxidation of methane, structurally the simplest VOC. The CH_4 oxidation cycle serves as a model which can be viewed as representing the chemistry of the relatively clean or unpolluted troposphere (although this is a simplification because vegetation releases large quantities of complex VOCs, such as isoprene, into the atmosphere). Although the chemistry of the VOCs emitted from anthropogenic and biogenic sources in polluted urban and rural areas is more complex, a knowledge of the CH_4 oxidation reactions aids in understanding the chemical processes occurring in the polluted atmosphere because the underlying chemical principles are the same. The oxidation of more complex hydrocarbons (alkanes, alkenes, and aromatic compounds) is discussed in Sections AX2.2.6, AX2.2.7, and AX2.2.8, respectively. The chemistry of oxygenated species is addressed in Section AX2.2.9. Greater emphasis is placed on the oxidation of aromatic hydrocarbons in this section because of the large amount of new information available since the last Air Quality Criteria for Ozone document (AQCD 96) was published (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) and because of their importance in O_3 formation in polluted areas. Multiphase chemical processes influencing O_3 are discussed in

Section AX2.2.10. Meteorological processes that control the formation of O_3 and other oxidants and that govern their transport and dispersion, and the sensitivity of O_3 to atmospheric parameters are given in Section AX2.3. Greater emphasis is placed on those processes for which a large amount of new information has become available since AQCD 96. The role of stratospheric-tropospheric exchange in determining O_3 in the troposphere is presented in Section AX2.3.1. The importance of deep convection in redistributing O_3 and its precursors and other oxidants throughout the troposphere is given in Section AX2.3.2. The possible importance of nocturnal low-level jets in transporting O_3 and other pollutants is presented in Section AX2.3.3. Information about the mechanisms responsible for the intercontinental transport of pollutants and for the interactions between stratospheric-tropospheric exchange and convection is given in Section AX2.3.4. Much of the material in this section is based on results of field programs examining atmospheric chemistry over the North Atlantic ocean. The sensitivity of O_3 to solar ultraviolet radiation and temperature is given in Section AX2.3.5. The relations of O_3 to its precursors and to other oxidants based on field and modeling studies are discussed in Section AX2.4. Methods used to calculate relations between O_3 its precursors and other oxidants are given in Section AX2.5. Chemistry-transport models are discussed in Section AX2.5.1. Emissions of O_3 precursors are presented in Section AX2.5.2. Issues related to the evaluation of chemistry-transport models and emissions inventories are presented in Section AX2.5.3. Measurement methods are summarized in Section AX2.6. Methods used to monitor ground-level O_3 are given in Section AX2.6.1, NO and NO_2 in Section AX2.6.2, HNO_3 in Section AX2.6.3 and some important VOCs in Section AX2.6.4.

AX2.2 TROPOSPHERIC OZONE CHEMISTRY

AX2.2.1 Atmospheric Structure

The atmosphere can be divided into several distinct vertical layers, based primarily on the major mechanism by which that portion of the atmosphere is heated or cooled. The lowest major layer is the troposphere, which extends from the earth's surface to about 8 km above polar regions and to about 16 km above tropical regions. The troposphere is heated by convective transport from the surface, and by the absorption of infrared radiation emitted by the surface, principally by water vapor and CO_2. The planetary boundary layer (PBL) is the sublayer of the

troposphere that mixes with surface air on time scales of a few hours or less. It typically extends to 1-2 km altitude and is often capped by a temperature inversion. The sublayer of the troposphere above the PBL is called the free troposphere. Ventilation of the PBL with free tropospheric air takes place on a time scale of a week. Vertical mixing of the whole troposphere takes place on a time scale of a month or two. The stratosphere extends from the tropopause, or the top of the troposphere, to about 50 km in altitude. The upper stratosphere is heated by the absorption of solar ultraviolet radiation by O_3, while dissipation of wave energy transported upwards from the troposphere is a primary heating mechanism in the lower stratosphere. Heating of the stratosphere is balanced by radiative cooling due to infrared emissions to space by CO_2, H_2O, and O_3. As a result of heating of the upper stratosphere, temperatures increase with height, inhibiting vertical mixing. A schematic overview of the major chemical cycles involved in O_3 formation and destruction in the stratosphere and troposphere is shown in Figure AX2-1. The figure emphasizes gas phase processes, but the importance of multiphase processes is becoming apparent. The sequences of reactions shown in the lower right quadrant of the figure will be discussed in Section AX2.2. The reader is referred to any of the large number of texts on atmospheric chemistry, such as Wayne (2000) or Seinfeld and Pandis (1998), for an introduction to stratospheric photochemistry, including the impact of O_3-destroying compounds.

AX2.2.2 Overview of Ozone Chemistry

Ozone is found not only in polluted urban atmospheres but throughout the troposphere, including remote areas of the globe. Even without ground-level production, some O_3 would be found in the troposphere due to downward transport from the stratosphere. Tropospheric photochemistry leading to the formation of O_3 and other photochemical air pollutants is complex, involving thousands of chemical reactions and thousands of stable and reactive intermediate products. Other photochemical oxidants, such as peroxyacetyl nitrate (PAN), are among the reactive products. Ozone can be photolyzed in the presence of water to form hydroxyl radical (OH), which is responsible for the oxidation of NO_x and SO_x to form nitric (HNO_3) and sulfuric acid (H_2SO_4), respectively. Ozone participates directly in the oxidation of unsaturated hydrocarbons, via the ozonolysis mechanism, yielding secondary organic compounds that contribute to aerosol formation and mass, as well as formaldehyde (H_2CO) and other carbonyl compounds, such as aldehydes and ketones.

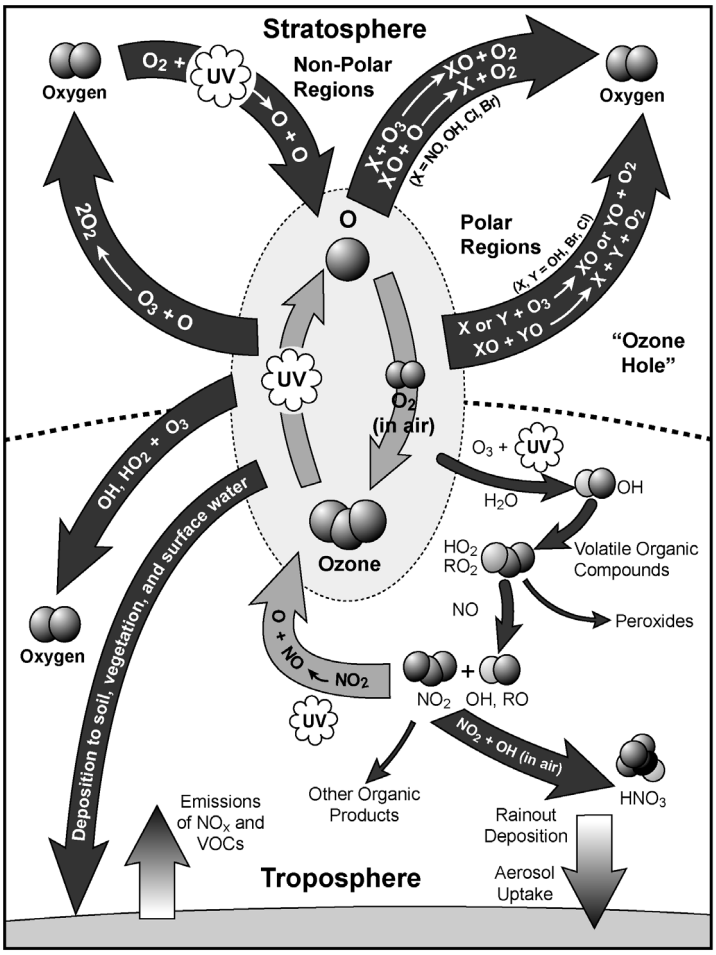

Figure AX2-1. Schematic overview of O_3 photochemistry in the stratosphere and troposphere.

There is a rapid photochemical cycle in the troposphere that involves the photolysis of nitrogen dioxide (NO_2) by solar UV-A radiation to yield nitric oxide (NO) and a ground-state oxygen atom, $O(^3P)$,

$$NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O(^3P), \qquad \text{(AX2-1)}$$

$O(^3P)$ then reacts with molecular oxygen to form O_3: A molecule from the surrounding air collides with the newly-formed O_3 molecule, removing excess energy to allow it to stabilize.

$$O(^3P) + O_2 + M \rightarrow O_3 + M, \text{ where M = an air molecule.} \quad \text{(AX2-2)}$$

Reaction AX2-2 is the only significant reaction forming O_3 in the troposphere.

NO and O_3 react to reform NO_2:

$$NO + O_3 \rightarrow NO_2 + O_2. \quad \text{(AX2-3)}$$

This reaction is responsible for O_3 decreases found near sources of NO (e.g., highways) especially at night. The oxidation of reactive VOCs leads to the formation of reactive radical species that allow the conversion of NO to NO_2 without the participation of O_3 (as in reaction AX2-3).

$$NO \xrightarrow{HO_2^{\bullet},\ RO_2^{\bullet}} NO_2. \quad \text{(AX2-4)}$$

O_3 can, therefore, accumulate as NO_2 photolyzes as in reaction AX2-1 followed by reaction AX2-2.

It is often convenient to speak about families of chemical species, that are defined in terms of members which interconvert rapidly among themselves on time scales that are shorter than that for formation or destruction of the family as a whole. For example, an "odd oxygen" (O_x) family can be defined as $\sum (O(^3P) + O(^1D) + O_3 + NO_2)$ in much the same way as the NO_x ($NO + NO_2$) family is defined. We can then see that production of O_x occurs by the schematic reaction AX2-4, and that the sequence of reactions given by reactions AX2-1 through AX2-3 represents no net production of O_x. Definitions of species families and methods for constructing families are discussed in Jacobson (1999) and references therein. Other families that include nitrogen containing species, and will be referred to later in this chapter, are NO_z, which is the sum of the products of the oxidation of $NO_x = \sum (HNO_3 + PAN\ (CH_3CHO\text{-}OO\text{-}NO_2) + HNO_4 +$ other organic nitrates + particulate nitrate); and NO_y, which is the sum of NO_x and NO_z.

AX2.2.3 Initiation of the Oxidation of VOCs

The key reactive species in the troposphere is the OH radical. OH radicals are responsible for initiating the photochemical oxidation of CO and most anthropogenic and biogenic VOCs, including those responsible for depleting stratospheric O_3 (e.g., CH_3Br, hydroclorofluorocarbons), and those which contribute to the greenhouse effect (e.g., CH_4). Because of their role in removing so many potentially damaging species, OH radicals have sometimes been referred to as the atmosphere's detergent. In the presence of NO, reactions of OH with VOCs lead to the formation of O_3. In addition to OH radicals, there are several other atmospheric species such as NO_3, Cl, and Br radicals and O_3 that are capable of initiating VOC oxidation. Rate coefficients and estimated atmospheric lifetimes (the e-folding time) for reactions of a number of alkanes, alkenes and dienes involved in O_3 formation with these oxidants at concentrations characteristic of the relatively unpolluted planetary boundary layer are given in Table AX2-1. As can be seen from Table AX2-1, there is a wide range of lifetimes calculated for the different species. However, under certain conditions the relative importance of these oxidants can change from those shown in the table. For hydrocarbons whose atmospheric lifetime is much longer than a day, diurnally averaged concentrations of oxidant concentrations can be used, but for those whose lifetime is much shorter than a day it is more appropriate to use either daytime or night-time averages depending on when the oxidant is at highest concentrations. During these periods, these averages are of the order of twice the values used in Table AX2-1.

The main source of OH radicals is the photolysis of O_3 by solar ultraviolet radiation at wavelengths < 340 nm (solar radiation at wavelengths < 320 nm is also referred to as UV-B) to generate electronically excited $O(^1D)$ atoms (Jet Propulsion Laboratory, 2003),

$$O_3 + h\nu \rightarrow O_2 + O(^1D). \qquad \text{(AX2-5)}$$

The $O(^1D)$ atoms can either be deactivated to the ground state $O(^3P)$ atom by collisions with N_2 and O_2, or they react with water vapor to form two OH radicals:

$$O(^1D) + H_2O \rightarrow 2(\bullet OH) \qquad \text{(AX2-6)}$$

Table AX2-1. Comparison of the Atmospheric Lifetimes (τ) of Low Molecular Weight Hydrocarbons Due to Reaction with OH, NO_3, Cl, Br and O_3

	k, cm^3 $molecule^{-1}$ s^{-1}									
	OH		NO_3		Cl		Br		O_3	
Hydrocarbon	$k \times 10^{12}$	τ	$k \times 10^{12}$	τ	$k \times 10^{10}$	τ	$k \times 10^{12}$	τ	$k \times 10^{18}$	τ
Alkanes										
Ethane	0.24	48 d	$< 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$	> 13 y	0.57	6.7 mo	3.1×10^{-7}	1.0×10^{6} y[2]	< 0.01	> 3.2 y
Propane	1.1	11 d	0.00021	> 0.60	1.3	90 d	0	6.5×10^{3} y[2]	< 0.01	> 3.2 y
2-Methylpropane	2.1	5.6 d	< 0.00007	> 18 y	1.3	90 d	< 1.0 ×	> 3.2 × 10^{7} y[2]	< 0.01	> 3.2 y
n-Butane	2.3	5.2 d	0.000046	2.8 y	2.3	50 d	< 1.0 ×	> 3.2 × 10^{7} y[2]	< 0.01	> 3.2 y
2-Methylbutane	4	2.9 d	0.00016	0.79 y	2	60 d	NA	NA	NA	NA
n-Pentane	3.8	3.0 d	0.000081	1.6 y	2.5	46 d	NA	NA	NA	NA
2,2-Dimethylbutane	2.7	4.3 d	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2,3-Dimethylbutane	6.4	1.8d	0.00041	110 d	2	60 d	0.0064	50 y	NA	NA
2-Methylpentane	5.6	2.1 d	0.000017	7.5 y	2.5	47 d	NA	NA	NA	NA
3-Methylpentane	5.8	2.0 d	0.00002	6.3 y	2.5	46d	NA	NA	NA	NA
n-Hexane	5.2	2.2 d	0.00011	1.2 y	3.1	38 d	NA	NA	NA	NA
2,2,4-Trimethylpentane	3.8	3.0 d	0.000075	1.7 y	2.3	50 d	0.0068	47 y	NA	NA

Table AX2-1 (cont'd). Comparison of the Atmospheric Lifetimes (τ) of Low Molecular Weight Hydrocarbons Due to Reaction with OH, NO_3, Cl, Br and O_3

	k, cm^3 $molecule^{-1}$ s^{-1}									
	OH		NO_3		Cl		Br		O_3	
Hydrocarbon	$k \times 10^{12}$	τ	$k \times 10^{12}$	τ	$k \times 10^{10}$	τ	$k \times 10^{12}$	τ	$k \times 10^{18}$	τ
Alkenes										
Ethene	8.5	33 h	0	230 d	0.99	3.8 m	0.18	1.8 y	1.6	7.2 d
Propene	26	11 h	0.01	4.9 d	2.3	50 d	5.3	22 d	10	1.2 d
2-Methylpropene	51	5.4 h	0.34	3.3 h	0.42	9.0 m	NA	NA	11	1.1 d
1-Butene	31	9.0 h	0.013	3.6 d	1.4	65 d	3.4	34 d	9.6	1.2 d
trans-2-Butene	64	4.3 h	0.39	2.8 h	NA	NA	0.23	1.4 y	190	1.5 h
cis-2-Butene	56	5.0 h	0.35	3.2 h	NA	NA	6.3	18 d	125	2.3 h
1,3-Butadiene	67	4.1 h	0.1	11 h	4.2	28 d	57	2.0 d	6.3	1.8 d
Isoprene	100	2.8 h	0.68	1.6 h	5.1	23 d	74	1.6 d	13	21 h
2-Methyl-2-butene	87	3.2 h	9.4	0.12 h	NA	NA	19	6.1 d	400	0.69 h
1-Pentene	31	9.0 h	0.7	1.6 h	NA	NA	NA	NA	11	1.1 d
trans-2-Pentene	67	4.1 h	1.6	0.69 h	NA	NA	NA	NA	320	0.86 h
cis-2-Pentene	65	4.3 h	1.4	0.79 h	NA	NA	NA	NA	210	1.3 h
2,4,4-Trimethyl-1-pentene	65	4.3 h	0.51	2.2 h	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Notes: NA = Reaction rate coefficient not available. Rate coefficients were calculated at 298k and 1 atmosphere. y = year. d = day.
OH = $1 \times 10^6/cm^3$; $NO_3 = 2.5 \times 10^8/cm^3$; Cl = $1 \times 10^3/cm^3$; Br = $1 \times 10^5/cm^3$; $O_3 = 1 \times 10^{12}/cm^3$. Value for Br calculated based on equilibrium with BrO = 1 ppt.
[1] Rate Coefficients were Obtained from the NIST Online Kinetics Database for Reactions of Alkanes and for all Cl and Br Reactions.
All Other Rate Coefficients were Obtained from the Evaluation
of Calvert et al. (2000).
[2] Lifetimes should be regarded as lower limits.

Sources: NIST online kinetics database (http://kinetics.nist.gov/index.php).

The $O(^3P)$ atoms formed directly in the photolysis of O_3 in the Huggins and Chappuis bands or formed from deactivation of $O(^1D)$ atoms reform O_3 through reaction AX2-2. Hydroxyl radicals produced by reactions AX2-5 and AX2-6 can react further with species such as carbon monoxide and with many hydrocarbons (for example, CH_4) to produce HO_2 radicals.

Measurements of OH radical concentrations in the troposphere (Poppe et al., 1995; Eisele et al., 1997; Brune et al., 1999; Martinez et al., 2003; Ren et al., 2003) show that, as expected, the OH radical concentrations are highly variable in space and time, with daytime maximum concentrations of $> 3 \times 10^6$ molecules /cm^3 in urban areas. A global, mass-weighted mean tropospheric OH radical concentration also can be derived from the estimated emissions and measured atmospheric concentrations of methylchloroform (CH_3CCl_3) and the rate constant for the reaction of the OH radical with CH_3CCl_3. Krol et al. (1998) derived a global average OH concentration of 1.07×10^6 molecules /cm^3 for 1993 along with an upward trend of about 0.5%/yr between 1978 and 1993. Using an integrated data set of observed O_3, H_2O, NO_y, CO, VOCs, temperature and cloud optical depth, Spivakovsky et al. (2000) calculated a global annual mean OH concentration of 1.16×10^6 molecules cm^{-3}, consistent to within 10% of the value obtained by Krol et al. (1998).

HO_2 radicals do not initiate the oxidation of hydrocarbons, but serve to recycle OH mainly by way of reaction with NO, O_3, and itself (the latter produces H_2O_2, which can photolyze to yield OH). The HO_2 radicals also react with organo-peroxy radicals produced during the oxidation of VOCs to form organo-peroxides (cf. Section AX2.2.5, reaction AX2-20, e.g.). Organo-peroxides undergo wet or dry deposition (Wesely and Hicks, 2000) or degrade further by photolysis and reaction with OH (Jet Propulsion Laboratory, 2003).

At night, NO_3 assumes the role of primary oxidant (Wayne, 1991). Although it is generally less reactive than OH, its high abundance in the polluted atmosphere compensates for its lower reactivity. For several VOCs, however, including dimethylsulfide, isoprene, some terpenes (a-pinene, limonene, linalool) and some phenolic compounds (phenol, o-cresol), oxidation by NO_3 at night is competitive with oxidation by OH during the day, making it an important atmospheric removal mechanism for these compounds (see Table AX2-1). The role of NO_3 radicals in the chemistry of the remote marine boundary layer has been examined recently by Allen et al., (2000) and in the polluted continental boundary layer by Geyer and Platt (2002).

Cl atoms, derived from products of multiphase processes can initiate the oxidation of most of the same VOCs as OH radicals, however, the rate coefficients for the reactions of alkanes with Cl atoms are usually much higher. Cl will also oxidize alkenes and aromatic compounds, but with a significantly lower rate constant than for OH reactions. Following the initial reaction with Cl, the degradation of the hydrocarbon proceeds as with OH and NO_3, generating an enhanced supply of odd hydrogen radicals leading to O_3 production in the presence of sufficient NO_x. The corresponding reactions of Br with hydrocarbons proceed in a similar manner, but with rate coefficients that can be substantially lower or higher.

Chlorine and bromine radicals will also react directly with O_3 to form ClO and BrO radicals, providing a sink for odd oxygen if they do not react with NO to form NO_2 (e.g., Pszenny et al., 1993). As with other oxidants present in the atmosphere, Cl chemistry provides a modest net sink for O_3 when NO_x is less than 20 pptv, and is a net source at higher NO_x. Kasting and Singh (1986) estimated that as much as 25% of the loss of nonmethane hydrocarbons in the nonurban atmosphere can occur by reaction with Cl atoms, based on the production of Cl atoms from gas phase photochemical reactions involving chlorine containing molecules (HCl, CH_3Cl, $CHCl_3$, etc.). Elevated concentrations of atomic Cl and other halogen radicals can be found in polluted coastal cities where precursors are emitted directly from industrial sources and/or are produced via acid-catalyzed reactions involving sea-salt particles (Tanaka et al., 2000; Spicer et al., 2001).

Substantial chlorine-VOC chemistry has been observed in the cities of Houston and Beaumont/Port Arthur, Texas (Tanaka et al., 2000; Chang et al., 2002; Tanaka et al., 2003a). Industrial production activities in those areas frequently result in large releases of chlorine gas (Tanaka et al., 2000). Chloromethylbutenone (CMBO), the product of the oxidation of isoprene by atomic Cl and a unique marker for chlorine radical chemistry in the atmosphere (Nordmeyer et al., 1997), has been found at significant mixing ratios (up to 145 pptv) in ambient Houston air (Riemer and Apel, 2001). However, except for situations in which there are strong local sources such as these, the evidence for the importance of Cl as an oxidizing agent is mixed. Parrish et al. (1992, 1993) argued that ratios of selected hydrocarbons measured at Pt. Arena, CA were consistent with loss by reaction with OH radicals and that any deviations could be attributed to mixing processes. Finlayson-Pitts (1993), on the other hand had suggested that these deviations could have been the result of Cl reactions. McKeen et al. (1996) suggested that hydrocarbon

ratios measured downwind of anthropogenic source regions affecting the western Pacific Basin are consistent with loss by reaction with OH radicals only. Rudolph et al. (1997), based on data for several pairs of hydrocarbons collected during a cruise in the western Mediterranean Sea, the eastern mid- and North Atlantic Ocean and the North Sea during April and May of 1991, also found that ratios of hydrocarbons to each other are consistent with their loss given mainly by reaction with OH radicals without substantial contributions from reactions with Cl. Their best estimate, for their sampling conditions was a ratio of Cl to OH of about 10^{-3}, implying a concentration of Cl of about $10^3/cm^3$ using the globally averaged OH concentration of about $10^6/cm^3$ given above. In contrast Wingenter et al. (1996) and Singh et al. (1996a) inferred significantly higher concentrations of atomic Cl (10^4 to 10^5 cm^{-3}) based on relative concentration changes in VOCs measured over the eastern North Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, respectively. Similar approaches employed over the high-latitude southern ocean yielded lower estimates of Cl concentrations (10^3 cm^{-3}; Wingenter et al., 1999). Taken at face value, these observations indicate substantial variability in Cl concentrations and uncertainty in "typical" values.

AX2.2.4 Chemistry of Nitrogen Oxides in the Troposphere

In the troposphere, NO, NO_2, and O_3 are interrelated by the following reactions:

$$NO + O_3 \rightarrow NO_2 + O_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-3)}$$

$$NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O(^3P) \qquad \text{(AX2-1)}$$

$$O(^3P) + O_2 + M \rightarrow O_3 + M \qquad \text{(AX2-2)}$$

The reaction of NO_2 with O_3 leads to the formation of the nitrate (NO_3) radical,

$$NO_2 + O_3 \rightarrow NO_3^{\bullet} + O_2, \qquad \text{(AX2-7)}$$

which in the lower troposphere is nearly in equilibrium with dinitrogen pentoxide (N_2O_5):

$$NO_3^{\bullet} + NO_2 \xleftrightarrow{M} N_2O_5. \qquad \text{(AX2-8)}$$

However, because the NO_3 radical photolyzes rapidly (with a lifetime of ≈5 s for an overhead sun [Atkinson et al., 1992a]),

$$NO_3^{\bullet} + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O_2 \quad (10\%) \qquad \text{(Ax2-9a)}$$

$$\rightarrow NO_2 + O(^3P) \quad (90\%) \qquad \text{(AX2-9b)}$$

its concentration remains low during daylight hours, but can increase after sunset to nighttime concentrations of $< 5 \times 10^7$ to 1×10^{10} molecules cm^{-3} (< 2 to 430 ppt) over continental areas influenced by anthropogenic emissions of NO_x (Atkinson et al., 1986). This leads to an increase of N_2O_5 concentrations during the night by reaction (AX2-8).

The tropospheric chemical removal processes for NO_x involve the reaction of NO_2 with the OH radical and the hydrolysis of N_2O_5 in aqueous aerosol solutions to produce HNO_3.

$$\bullet OH + NO_2 \xrightarrow{M} HNO_3 \qquad \text{(AX2-10)}$$

$$N_2O_5 \xrightarrow{H_2O(l)} HNO_3 \qquad \text{(AX2-11)}$$

The gas-phase reaction of the OH radical with NO_2 initiates the major and ultimate removal process for NO_x in the troposphere. This reaction removes radicals (OH and NO_2) and competes with hydrocarbons for OH radicals in areas characterized by high NO_x concentrations, such as urban centers (see Section AX2.4). In addition to gas-phase nitric acid, Golden and Smith (2000) have concluded that, pernitrous acid (HOONO) is also produced by the reaction of NO_2 and OH radicals on the basis of theoretical studies. However, a recent assessment (Jet Propulsion Laboratory, 2003) has concluded that this channel represents a minor yield (approximately 15% at the surface). HOONO will thermally decompose or photolyze. Gas-phase HNO_3 formed from reaction AX2-10 undergoes wet and dry deposition to the surface and uptake by ambient aerosol particles. The tropospheric lifetime of NO_x due to reaction AX2-10 ranges from a few hours to a few days. Geyer and Platt (2002) concluded that reaction AX2-11 constituted about 10% of the removal of NO_x at a site near Berlin, Germany during

spring and summer. However, during winter the relative importance of reaction AX2-11 could be much higher because of the much lower concentration of OH radicals and the enhanced stability of N_2O_5 due to lower temperatures and intensity of sunlight. Note that reaction AX2-11 surely proceeds as a heterogeneous reaction.

OH radicals also can react with NO to produce nitrous acid (HNO_2):

$$\bullet OH + NO \xrightarrow{M} HNO_2. \qquad \text{(AX2-12)}$$

In the daytime, HNO_2 is rapidly photolyzed back to the original reactants:

$$HNO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow \bullet OH + NO. \qquad \text{(AX2-13)}$$

At night, HNO_2 can be formed by heterogeneous reactions of NO_2 in aerosols or at the earth's surface (Lammel and Cape, 1996; Jacob, 2000; Sakamaki et al., 1983; Pitts et al., 1984a; Svensson et al., 1987; Jenkin et al., 1988; Lammel and Perner, 1988; Notholt et al., 1992a,b). This results in accumulation of HNO_2 during nighttime. Modeling studies suggest that photolysis of this HNO_2 following sunrise, could provide an important early-morning source of OH radicals to drive O_3 formation (Harris et al., 1982).

Another important process controlling NO_x concentrations is the formation of organic nitrates. Oxidation of VOCs produces organic peroxy radicals (RO_2), as discussed in the hydrocarbon chemistry subsections to follow. Reaction of these RO_2 radicals with NO and NO_2 produces organic nitrates ($RONO_2$) and peroxynitrates (RO_2NO_2):

$$RO_2^{\bullet} + NO \xrightarrow{M} RONO_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-14)}$$

$$RO_2^{\bullet} + NO_2 \xrightarrow{M} RO_2NO_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-15)}$$

Reaction (AX2-14) is a minor branch for the reaction of RO_2 with NO (the major branch produces RO and NO_2, as discussed in the next section). The organic nitrate yield increases with carbon number (Atkinson, 2000).

The organic nitrates may react further, depending on the functionality of the R group, but they will typically not return NO_x and can therefore be viewed as a permanent sink for NO_x. This sink is usually small compared to HNO_3 formation, but the formation of isoprene nitrates may be a significant sink for NO_x in the United States in summer (Liang et al., 1998).

The peroxynitrates produced by (AX2-15) are thermally unstable and most have very short lifetimes (less than a few minutes) against thermal decomposition to the original reactants. They are thus not effective sinks of NO_x. Important exceptions are the peroxyacylnitrates (PANs) arising from the peroxyacyl radicals RC(O)OO produced by oxidation and photolysis of carbonyl compounds. PANs have lifetimes ranging from ~1 hour at room temperature to several weeks at 250K. They can thus provide an effective sink of NO_x at cold temperatures, but also a reservoir allowing eventual release of NO_x as air masses warm, in particular by subsidence. By far the most important of these PANs compounds is peroxyacetylnitrate (PAN), with formula $CH_3C(O)OONO_2$. PAN is a significant product in the oxidation of most VOCs. It is now well established that PAN decomposition provides a major source of NOx in the remote troposphere (Staudt et al., 2003). PAN decomposition in subsiding Asian air masses over the eastern Pacific could make an important contribution to O_3 enhancement in the U.S. from Asian pollution (Hudman et al., 2004).

AX2.2.5 The Methane Oxidation Cycle

The photochemical cycles leading to O_3 production are best understood by considering the oxidation of methane, structurally the simplest VOC. The CH_4 oxidation cycle serves as a model which describes the chemistry of the relatively clean or unpolluted troposphere (although this is a simplification because vegetation releases large quantities of complex VOCs into the atmosphere). Although the chemistry of the VOCs emitted from anthropogenic and biogenic sources in polluted urban and rural areas is more complex, a knowledge of the CH_4 oxidation reactions aids in understanding the chemical processes occurring in the polluted atmosphere because the underlying chemical principles are the same.

Methane is emitted into the atmosphere as the result of anaerobic microbial activity in wetlands, rice paddies, the guts of ruminants, landfills, and from mining and combustion of fossil fuels (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, 2001). The major tropospheric removal process for CH_4 is by reaction with the OH radical,

$$\bullet OH + CH_4 \rightarrow H_2O + \dot{C}H_3. \quad \text{(AX2-16)}$$

In the troposphere, the methyl radical reacts solely with O_2 to yield the methyl peroxy ($CH_3O_2\bullet$ radical (Atkinson et al., 1992a):

$$\dot{C}H_3 + O_2 \xrightarrow{M} CH_3O_2^{\bullet}. \quad \text{(AX2-17)}$$

In the troposphere, the methyl peroxy radical can react with NO, NO_2, HO_2 radicals, and other organic peroxy (RO_2) radicals, with the reactions with NO and HO_2 radicals being the most important (see, for example, World Meteorological Organization, 1990). The reaction with NO leads to the formation of the methoxy ($CH_3\dot{O}$) radical,

$$CH_3O_2^{\bullet} + NO \rightarrow CH_3\dot{O} + NO_2. \quad \text{(AX2-18)}$$

The reaction with the HO_2 radical leads to the formation of methyl hydroperoxide (CH_3OOH),

$$CH_3O_2^{\bullet} + HO_2^{\bullet} \rightarrow CH_3OOH + O_2, \quad \text{(AX2-19)}$$

which can photolyze or react with the OH radical (Atkinson et al., 1992a):

$$CH_3OOH + h\nu \rightarrow CH_3\dot{O} + \bullet OH. \quad \text{(AX2-20)}$$

$$\bullet OH + CH_3OOH \rightarrow H_2O + CH_3O_2^{\bullet} \quad \text{(AX2-21a)}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} &\rightarrow H_2O + CH_2OOH \quad \text{fast decomposition} \\ &\dot{C}H_2OOH + M \rightarrow H_2CO + \bullet OH \end{aligned} \quad \text{(AX2-21b)}$$

Methyl hydroperoxide is much less soluble than hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2), and so wet deposition after incorporation into cloud droplets is much less important as a removal process than it is for H_2O_2. CH_3OOH can also be removed by dry deposition to the surface or transported by convection to the upper troposphere. The lifetime of CH_3OOH in the troposphere due to photolysis and reaction with the OH radical is estimated to be ≈2 days. Methyl hydroperoxide is then a temporary sink of radicals, with its wet or dry deposition representing a loss process for tropospheric radicals.

The only important reaction for the methoxy radical ($CH_3\dot{O}$) is

$$CH_3\dot{O} + O_2 \rightarrow H_2CO + HO_2\bullet. \qquad \text{(AX2-22)}$$

$$HO_2\bullet + NO \rightarrow \bullet OH + NO_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-23)}$$

The HO_2 radicals produced in (AX2-22) can react with NO, O_3, or other HO_2 radicals according to,

$$HO_2\bullet + O_3 \rightarrow \bullet OH + 2O_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-24)}$$

$$HO_2\bullet + HO_2\bullet \rightarrow H_2O_2 + O_2. \qquad \text{(AX2-25)}$$

Formaldehyde (H_2CO) produced in reaction AX2-22 can be photolyzed:

$$H_2CO + h\nu \rightarrow H_2 + CO \quad (55\%) \qquad \text{(AX2-26a)}$$

$$\rightarrow \bullet H + H\dot{C}O \quad (45\%) \qquad \text{(AX2-26b)}$$

Formaldehyde also reacts with the OH radical,

$$\bullet OH + H_2CO \rightarrow H_2O + H\dot{C}O. \qquad \text{(AX2-27)}$$

The H atom and HĊO (formyl) radical produced in these reactions react solely with O_2 to form the HO_2 radical:

$$\bullet H + O_2 + M \rightarrow HO_2^{\bullet} + M \qquad \text{(AX2-28)}$$

$$H\dot{C}O + O_2 \rightarrow HO_2^{\bullet} + CO. \qquad \text{(AX2-29)}$$

The lifetimes of H_2CO due to photolysis and reaction with OH radicals are ≈4 h and 1.5 days, respectively, leading to an overall lifetime of slightly less than 4 hours for H_2CO for overhead sun conditions (Rogers, 1990).

The final step in the oxidation of CH_4 involves the oxidation of CO by reaction with the OH radical to form CO_2:

$$CO + \bullet OH \rightarrow CO_2 + \bullet H \qquad \text{(AX2-30)}$$

$$H\dot{C}O + O_2 \rightarrow HO_2^{\bullet} + CO. \qquad \text{(AX2-29)}$$

The lifetime of CO in the lower troposphere is ≈2 months at midlatitudes.

NO and HO_2 radicals compete for reaction with CH_3O_2 and HO_2 radicals, and the reaction route depends on the rate constants for these two reactions and the tropospheric concentrations of HO_2 and NO. The rate constants for the reaction of the CH_3O_2 radicals with NO (reaction AX2-18) and HO_2 radicals (reaction AX2-19) are of comparable magnitude (e.g., Jet Propulsion Laboratory, 2003). Based on expected HO_2 radical concentrations in the troposphere, Logan et al. (1981) calculated that the reaction of the CH_3O_2 radical with NO dominates for NO mixing ratios of >30 ppt. For NO mixing ratios <30 ppt, the reaction of the CH_3O_2 radical with HO_2 dominates. The overall effects of methane oxidation on O_3 formation for the case when NO >30 ppt can be written as:

$$CH_4 + \bullet OH + O_2 \rightarrow CH_3O_2\bullet + H_2O \qquad \text{(AX2-16, AX2-17)}$$

$$CH_3O_2\bullet + NO \rightarrow CH_3O\bullet + NO_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-18)}$$

$$CH_3O\bullet + O_2 \rightarrow H_2CO + HO_2\bullet \qquad \text{(AX2-22)}$$

$$HO_2\bullet + NO \rightarrow \bullet OH + NO_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-23)}$$

$$2(NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O(^3P)) \qquad \text{(AX2-1)}$$

$$2(O(^3P) + O_2 + M \rightarrow O_3 + M) \qquad \text{(AX2-2)}$$

$$\text{Net:} \quad CH_4 + 4O_2 + 2h\nu \rightarrow H_2CO + 2O_3 + H_2O \qquad \text{(AX2-31)}$$

Further O_3 formation occurs, based on the subsequent reactions of H_2CO, e.g.,

$$H_2CO + h\nu + 2O_2 \rightarrow 2HO_2\bullet + CO \qquad \text{(AX2-26b; AX2-28; AX2-29)}$$

$$2(HO_2\bullet + NO \rightarrow \bullet OH + NO_2) \qquad \text{(AX2-23)}$$

$$2(NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O(^3P)) \qquad \text{(AX2-1)}$$

$$2(O(^3P) + O_2 + M \rightarrow O_3 + M) \qquad \text{(AX2-2)}$$

$$\text{Net:} \quad H_2CO + 4O_2 + h\nu \rightarrow CO + 2O_3 + 2\bullet OH. \qquad \text{(AX2-32)}$$

Reactions in the above sequence lead to the production of two OH radicals which can further react with atmospheric constituents (e.g., Crutzen, 1973). There is also a less important pathway:

$$H_2CO + h\nu \rightarrow H_2 + CO \quad \text{(AX2-26a)}$$

$$CO + \bullet OH \rightarrow CO_2 + \bullet H \quad \text{(AX2-30)}$$

$$\bullet H + O_2 + M \rightarrow HO_2^\bullet + M \quad \text{(AX2-28)}$$

$$HO_2^\bullet + NO \rightarrow \bullet OH + NO_2 \quad \text{(AX2-23)}$$

$$NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O(^3P) \quad \text{(AX2-1)}$$

$$O(^3P) + O_2 + M \rightarrow O_3 + M \quad \text{(AX2-2)}$$

$$\text{Net:} \quad H_2CO + 2O_2 + h\nu \rightarrow CO_2 + O_3 + H_2 \quad \text{(AX2-33)}$$

These reaction sequences are important for tropospheric chemistry because formaldehyde is an intermediate product of the oxidation of most VOCs. The reaction of O_3 and HO_2 radicals leads to the net destruction of tropospheric O_3:

$$HO_2^\bullet + O_3 \rightarrow \bullet OH + 2O_2 \quad \text{(AX2-24)}$$

Using the rate constants reported for reactions AX2-23 and AX2-24 (Atkinson et al., 1992a) and the background tropospheric O_3 mixing ratios given above, the reaction of HO_2 radicals with NO dominates over reaction with O_3 for NO mixing ratios >10 ppt. The rate constant for reaction AX2-25 is such that an NO mixing ratio of this magnitude also means that the HO_2 radical reaction with NO will be favored over the self-reaction of HO_2 radicals.

Consequently, there are two regimes in the "relatively clean" troposphere, depending on the local NO concentration: (1) a "very low-NO_x" regime in which HO_2 and CH_3O_2 radicals combine (reaction AX2-19), and HO_2 radicals undergo self-reaction (to form H_2O_2) and react with O_3 (reactions AX2-25 and AX2-24), leading to net destruction of O_3 and inefficient OH radical regeneration (see also Ehhalt et al., 1991; Ayers et al., 1992); and (2) a "low-NO_x" regime (by comparison with much higher NO_x concentrations found in polluted areas) in which HO_2 and CH_3O_2 radicals react with NO to convert NO to NO_2, regenerate the OH radical,

and, through the photolysis of NO_2, produce O_3. In the "low NO_x" regime there still may be significant competition from peroxy-peroxy reactions, depending on the local NO concentration.

Nitric oxide mixing ratios are sufficiently low in the remote marine boundary layer relatively unaffected by transport of NO_x from polluted continental areas (< 15 ppt) that oxidation of CH_4 will lead to net destruction of O_3, as discussed by Carroll et al. (1990) and Ayers et al. (1992). In continental and marine areas affected by transport of NO_x from combustion sources, NO mixing ratios are high enough (of the order of ~one to a few hundred ppt) for the oxidation of CH_4, nonmethane hydrocarbons (NMHCs) and CO to lead to net O_3 formation (e.g., Carroll et al., 1990; Dickerson et al., 1995). Generally, NO mixing ratios increase with altitude and can be of the order of fifty to a few hundred ppt in the upper troposphere depending on location. The oxidation of peroxides, carbon monoxide and acetone transported upward by convection, in the presence of this NO, can lead to local O_3 formation (e.g., Singh et al., 1995; McKeen et al., 1997; Wennberg et al., 1998; Brühl et al., 2000).

AX2.2.6 The Atmospheric Chemistry of Alkanes

The same basic processes by which CH_4 is oxidized occur in the oxidation of other, even more reactive and more complex VOCs. As in the CH_4 oxidation cycle, the conversion of NO to NO_2 during the oxidation of VOCs results in the production of O_3 and the efficient regeneration of the OH radical, which in turn can react with other VOCs (Figure AX2-2). The chemistry of the major classes of VOCs important for O_3 formation such as alkanes, alkenes (including alkenes from biogenic sources), and aromatic hydrocarbons will be summarized in turn.

Reaction with OH radicals represents the main loss process for alkanes and as also mentioned earlier, reaction with nitrate and chlorine radicals are additional sinks for alkanes. For alkanes having carbon-chain lengths of four or less, the chemistry is well understood and the reaction rates are slow in comparison to alkenes and other VOCs of similar structure and molecular weight. See Table AX2-1 for a comparison of reaction rate constants for several small alkanes and their alkene and diene homologues. For alkanes larger than C5, the situation is more complex because the products generated during the degradation of these compounds are usually not well characterized. Branched alkanes have rates of reaction that are highly

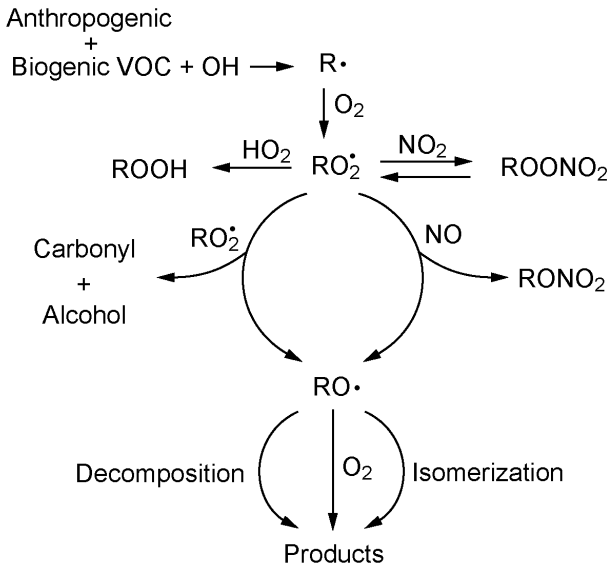

Figure AX2-2. General chemical mechanism for the oxidative degradation of VOCs.

Source: Atkinson (2000).

dependent on carbon backbone structure. Stable products of alkane photooxidation are known to include carbonyl compounds, alkyl nitrates, and hydroxycarbonyls.

Alkyl nitrates form primarily as an alternate product of reaction AX2-34 (below). Several modeling studies have predicted that large fractions of NO_y exist as alkyl and hydroxy alkyl nitrates (Calvert and Madronich, 1987; Atherton and Penner, 1988; Trainer et al., 1991). In NO_x- and VOC-rich urban atmospheres, 100 different alkyl and 74 different hydroxy alkyl nitrate compounds have been predicted and identified (Calvert and Madronich, 1987; Schneider and Ballschmiter, 1999; Schneider et al., 1998). Uncertainties in the atmospheric chemistry of the alkanes include the branching ratio of reaction AX2-34, i.e., the extent to which alkyl nitrates form versus RO and NO_2. These uncertainties affect modeling predictions of NO_x concentrations, NO-to-NO_2 conversion and O_3 formation during photochemical degradation of the VOCs. Discrepancies between observations and theory have been found in aircraft measurements of NO_y (Singh et al., 1996b). Recent field studies conducted by Day et al. (2003) have shown that large fractions of organic nitrates, which may be associated with isoprene

oxidation products, are present in urban and rural atmosphere that have not been previously measured and considered in NO_y calculations to date.

Alcohols and ethers in ambient air react almost exclusively with the OH radical, with the reaction proceeding primarily via H-atom abstraction from the C – H bonds adjacent to the oxygen-containing function group in these compounds (Atkinson and Arey, 2003).

The following list of general reactions, analogous to those described for methane, summarizes the role of alkane oxidation in tropospheric O_3 formation.

$$\bullet OH + RH \rightarrow H_2O + \bullet R \quad \text{(AX2-34)}$$

$$\bullet R + O_2 + M \rightarrow RO_2^\bullet + M \quad \text{(AX2-35)}$$

$$RO_2^\bullet + NO \rightarrow RO\bullet + NO_2 \quad \text{(AX2-36)}$$

$$HO_2^\bullet + NO \rightarrow \bullet OH + NO_2 \quad \text{(AX2-23)}$$

$$RO\bullet + O_2 \rightarrow R'CHO + HO_2^\bullet \quad \text{(AX2-37)}$$

$$2(NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O) \quad \text{(AX2-1)}$$

$$2(O + O_2 + M \rightarrow O_3 + M) \quad \text{(AX2-2)}$$

$$\text{Net:} \quad RH + 4O_2 + 2h\nu \rightarrow R'CHO + 2O_3 + H_2O \quad \text{(AX2-38)}$$

The oxidation of alkanes can also be initiated by other oxidizing agents such as NO_3 and Cl radicals. In this case, there is net production of an OH radical which can re-initiate the oxidation sequence. The reaction of OH radicals with aldehydes forms acyl (R´CO) radicals, and acyl peroxy radicals ($R´C(O)O_2$) are formed by the addition of O_2. As an example, the oxidation of ethane (C_2H_5–H) yields acetaldehyde (CH_3–CHO). Acetyl (CH_3–CO) and acetylperoxy (CH_3–$C(O)O_2$) radicals can then be formed. Acetylperoxy radicals can combine with NO_2 to form peroxyacetyl nitrate (PAN) via:

$$CH_3C(O)O_2^\bullet + NO_2 + M \Leftrightarrow CH_3C(O)O_2NO_2 + M \quad \text{(AX2-39)}$$

PAN can act as a temporary reservoir for NO_2. Upon the decomposition of PAN, either locally or elsewhere, NO_2 is released to participate in the O_3 formation process again. During the oxidation of propane, the relatively long-lived intermediate acetone ($CH_3 – C(O) CH_3$) is formed, as shown in Figure AX2-3. The photolysis of acetone can be an important source of OH radicals, especially in the upper troposphere (e.g., Singh et al., 1995). Examples of oxidation mechanisms of more complex alkanes and other classes of hydrocarbons can be found in comprehensive texts such as Seinfeld and Pandis (1998).

AX2.2.7 The Atmospheric Chemistry of Alkenes

As shown in Figure AX2-3, the presence of a double carbon-carbon bond, i.e., > C = C <, in a VOC can greatly increase the range of potential reaction intermediates and products, complicating the prediction of O_3 production. The alkenes emitted from anthropogenic sources are mainly ethene, propene, and the butenes, with lesser amounts of the $\geq C_5$ alkenes. The major biogenic alkenes emitted from vegetation are isoprene (2-methyl-1,3-butadiene) and $C_{10}H_{16}$ monoterpenes (Atkinson and Arey, 2003), and their tropospheric chemistry is currently the focus of much attention (Zhang et al., 2002; Sauer et al., 1999; Geiger et al., 2003; Sprengnether et al., 2002; Witter et al., 2002; Bonn and Moortgat, 2003; Berndt et al., 2003; Fick et al., 2003; Kavouras et al., 1999; Atkinson and Arey, 2003).

Alkenes react in ambient air with OH and NO_3 radicals and with O_3. The mechanisms involved in their oxidation have been discussed in detail by Calvert et al. (2000). All three processes are important atmospheric transformation processes, and all proceed by initial addition to the > C = C < bonds or, to a much lesser extent, by H atom extraction. Products of alkene photooxidation include carbonyl compounds, hydroxy alkyl nitrates and nitratocarbonyls, and decomposition products from the high energy biradicals formed in alkene-O_3 reactions. Table AX2-2 provides estimated atmospheric lifetimes for biogenic alkenes with respect to oxidation by OH, NO_3 and O_3. The structures of most of the compounds given in Table AX2-2 are shown in Figure AX2-4.

Uncertainties in the atmospheric chemistry of the alkenes concern the products and mechanisms of their reactions with O_3, especially the yields of OH radicals, H_2O_2, and secondary organic aerosol in both outdoor and indoor environments. However, many product analyses of important biogenic and anthropogenic alkenes in recent years have aided in the narrowing of

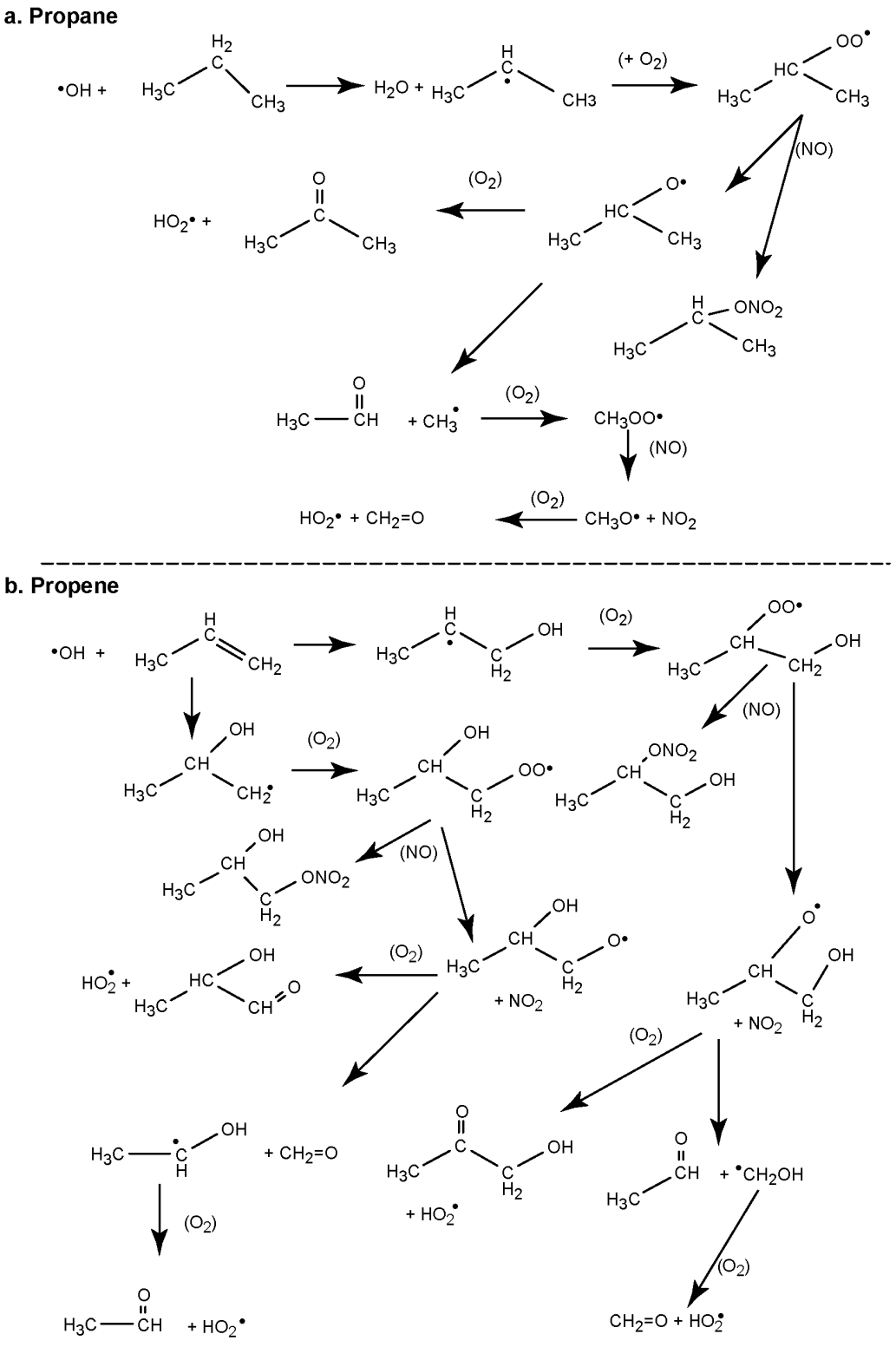

Figure AX2-3. Hydroxyl radical initiated oxidation of a) propane and b) propene.

Source: Calvert et al. (2000).

Table AX2-2. Calculated Atmospheric Lifetimes of Biogenic Volatile Organic Compounds (adapted from Atkinson and Arey, 2003) [a]

	Lifetime for Reaction with		
Biogenic VOC	**OH [b]**	**O_3 [c]**	**NO_3 [d]**
Isoprene	1.4 h	0.92 d	1.6 h
Monoterpenes			
Camphene	2.6 h	13 d	1.7 h
2-Carene	1.7 h	1.2 h	4 min
3-Carene	16 h	8.0 h	7 min
Limonene	49 min	1.4 h	5 min
Myrcene	39 min	35 min	6 min
cis-/*trans*-Ocimene	33 min	31 min	3 min
α-Phellandrene	27 min	5.6 min	0.9 min
β-Phellandrene	50 min	5.9 h	8 min
α-Pinene	2.6 h	3.2 h	11 min
β-Pinene	1.8 h	0.77 d	27 min
Sabinene	1.2 h	3.4 h	7 min
α-Terpinene	23 min	0.7 min	0.5 min
γ-Terpinene	47 min	2.0 h	2 min
Terpinolene	37 min	9.1 min	0.7 min
Sesquiterpenes			
β-Caryophyllene	42 min	1.4 min	3 min
α-Cedrene	2.1 h	9.8 h	8 min
α-Copaene	1.5 h	1.8 h	4 min
α-Humulene	28 min	1.4 min	2 min
Longifolene	2.9 h	> 23 d	1.6 h
Oxygenates			
Acetone[e]	61 d [f]	> 3.2 y [g]	> 8 y [f]
Camphor	2.5 d [h]	> 165 d [h]	> 300 d [h]
1,8-Cineole	1.0 d [i]	> 77 d [j]	1.5 y [i]
cis-3-Hexen-1-ol	1.3 h [k]	4.3 h [k]	4.1 h [k]
cis-3-Hexenyl acetate	1.8 h [k]	5.1 h [k]	4.5 h [k]
Linalool	52 min [k]	39 min [k]	6 min [k]

Table AX-2 (cont'd). Calculated Atmospheric Lifetimes of Biogenic Volatile Organic Compounds (adapted from Atkinson and Arey, 2003)[a]

	Lifetime for Reaction with		
Biogenic VOC	**OH [b]**	**O_3 [c]**	**NO_3 [d]**
Oxygenates (cont'd)			
Methanol	l2 d [f]	> 3.2 y [g]	2.0 y [f]
2-Methyl-3-buten-2-ol	2.4 h[l]	1.2 d [m]	7.7 d [n]
6-Methyl-5-hepten-2-one	53 min [o]	0.7 h [o]	9 min [o]

[a] Rate coefficients rom Calvert et al. (2000) unless noted otherwise.
[b] Assumed OH radical concentration: 1.0×10^6 molecule cm^{-3}.
[c] Assumed O_3 concentration: 1×10^{12} molecule cm^{-3}, 24-h average.
[d] Assumed NO_3 radical concentration: 2.5×10^8 molecule cm^{-3}, 12-h nighttime average.
[e] Photolysis will also occur with a calculated photolysis lifetime of ~60 day for the lower troposphere, July, 40° N (Meyrahn et al., 1986).
[f] Atkinson et al. (1999).
[g] Estimated.
[h] Reissell et al. (2001).
[i] Corchnoy and Atkinson (1990).
[j] Atkinson et al. (1990).
[k] Atkinson et al. (1995).
[l] Papagni et al. (2001).
[m] Grosjean and Grosjean (1994).
[n] Rudich et al. (1996).
[o] Smith et al. (1996).

these uncertainties. The reader is referred to extensive reviews by Calvert et al. (2000) and Atkinson and Arey (2003) for detailed discussions of these products and mechanisms.

Oxidation by OH

As noted above, the OH radical reactions with the alkenes proceed mainly by OH radical addition to the > C = C < bonds. As shown in Figure AX2-3, for example, the OH radical reaction with propene leads to the formation of two OH-containing radicals. The subsequent reactions of these radicals are similar to those of the alkyl radicals formed by H-atom abstraction from the alkanes. Under high NO conditions, CH_3CHCH_2OH continues to react — producing several smaller, "second generation," reactive VOCs.

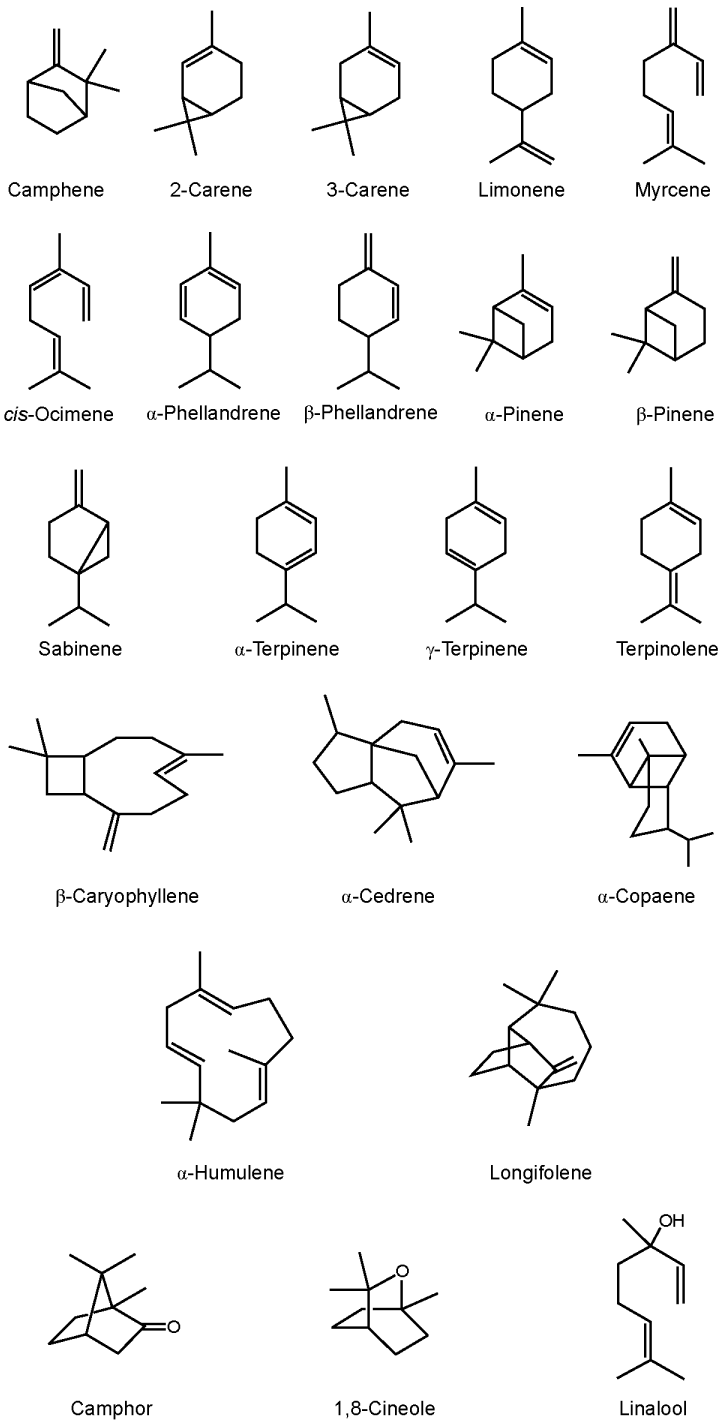

Figure AX2-4. Structures of a selected number of terpene and sesquiterpene compounds.

Source: Atkinson and Arey (2003).

For the simple $\leq C_4$ alkenes, the intermediate OH-containing radicals appear to undergo mainly decomposition at room temperature and atmospheric pressure. Hence, for propene, the "first-generation" products of the OH radical reaction in the presence of NO are HCHO and CH_3CHO, irrespective of which OH-containing radical is formed.

For the more complex alkenes of biogenic origin, multiple products may be possible from the initial oxidation step. Each product will further react, following a distinct degradation pathway. Formaldehyde (HCHO), methacrolein ($CH_2 = C(CH_3)$-CHO) and methyl vinyl ketone (CH_3-C(O)-CH=CH_2 have been identified as the major products of the OH-isoprene reaction. These products also react with OH radicals and undergo photolysis. Yields of these products(and others) are sensitive to the concentration of NO_x used in laboratory experiments. For NO_x ~100 ppt, methacrolein, methyl vinyl ketone and formaldehyde are formed with yields of roughly 20%, 16%, and 33% and yields of other carbonyl compounds are about 17%, based on the results of Ruppert and Becker (2000) and references therein. Ruppert and Becker also observed much lower yields of C5-unsaturated diols (2 to 5%), methanol and methyl hydroperoxide indicating the presence of peroxy radical interactions. For NO_x ~1 ppb, the yields of methacrolein are similar to those for NO_x ~100 ppb, but the yields of methyl vinyl ketone (~33%), formaldehyde (~60%) are much higher and the diols, methanol and methyl hydroperoxide were not observed. Orlando et al. (1999) found that the major products of the oxidation of methacrolein were CO, CO_2, hydroxyacetone, formaldehyde and methacryloylperoxynitrate (MPAN) in their experiment. Horowitz et al. (1998) suggested that isoprene may be the principal precursor of PAN over the United States in summer. Hydroperoxy and organic peroxy radicals formed during the oxidation of isoprene and its products can oxidize NO to NO_2, initiating photochemical O_3 formation. It should be noted that only about two-thirds of the carbon in isoprene can be accounted for on a carbon atom basis for $NO_x \geq 1$ ppb. The values are much lower for lower NO_x concentrations. The situation is much better for methacrolein. Observed products can account for more than 90% of the reacted carbon.

The rates of formation of condensible, oxidation products of biogenic compounds that may contribute to secondary organic aerosol formation is an important matter for the prediction of ambient aerosol concentrations. Claeys et al. (2004) found that 2-methyltetrols are formed from the oxidation of isoprene in yields of about 0.2% on a molar basis, or 0.4% on a mass basis.

These are semivolatile compounds that can condense on existing particles. On the other hand, pinene oxidation leads to substantial organic aerosol formation.

Oxidation by Nitrate Radical

NO_3 radical reacts with alkenes mainly by addition to the double bond to form a b-nitrooxyalkyl radical (Atkinson 1991, 1994, 1997). The abstraction pathway may account for up to 20% of the reaction. For propene, the initial reaction is followed by a series of reactions

$$\begin{aligned} NO_3^{\bullet} + CH_3CH{=}CH_2 &\rightarrow CH_3\dot{C}HCH_2ONO_2 \\ &\rightarrow CH_3CH(ONO_2)\dot{C}H_2 \end{aligned} \qquad \text{(AX2-40)}$$

that (Atkinson, 1991) to lead to the formation of, among others, carbonyls and nitrato-carbonyls including formaldehyde (HCHO), acetaldehyde (CH_3CHO), 2-nitratopropanal ($CH_3CH(ONO_2)CHO$), and 1-nitratopropanone ($CH_3C(O)CH_2ONO_2$). By analogy to OH, conjugated dienes like butadiene and isoprene will react with NO_3 to form d-nitrooxyalkyl radicals. (Atkinson, 2000). If NO_3 is available for reaction in the atmosphere, then NO concentrations will be low, owing to the rapid reaction between NO_3 and NO. Consequently, nitrooxyalkyl peroxy radicals are expected to react primarily with NO_2, yielding thermally unstable peroxy nitrates, NO_3, HO_2, and organoperoxy radicals (Atkinson, 2000).

Several studies have undertaken the quantification of the products of NO_3^- initiated degradation of several of the important biogenic alkenes in O_3 and secondary organic aerosol formation, including isoprene, a- and b-pinene, 3-carene, limonene, linalool, and 2-methyl-3-buten-2-ol. See Figure AX2-4 for the chemical structures of these and other biogenic compounds. The results of these studies have been tabulated by Atkinson and Arey (2003).

Oxidation by Ozone

Unlike other organic compounds in the atmosphere, alkenes react at significant rates with O_3. Ozone initiates the oxidation of alkenes by addition across carbon-carbon double bonds, at rates that are competitive with reaction with OH (see Table AX2-1). The addition

of O_3 across the double bond yields an unstable ozonide, a 5-member ring including a single carbon-carbon bond linked to the three oxygen atoms, each singly bound. The ozonide rearranges spontaneously and then fragments to form an aldehyde or ketone, depending on the original position of the double bond, and a high energy Criegee biradical. Collisional energy transfer may stabilize the radical, preventing it from decomposing. Low pressure studies of the decomposition of the Criegee biradical have shown high yields of the OH radical.

At atmospheric pressures, the rates of OH production have not been reliably established, due to complications arising from subsequent reactions of the OH produced with the ozonide fragments (Calvert et al., 2000).

The ozonolysis of larger biogenic alkenes yields high molecular weight oxidation products with sufficiently low vapor pressures to allow condensation into the particle phase. Many oxidation products of larger biogenic alkenes have been identified in ambient aerosol, eliminating their further participation in O_3 production. Figure AX2-5 shows the chemical structures of the oxidation products of a-pinene and illustrates the complexity of the products. Carbonyl containing compounds are especially prevalent. A summary of the results of product yield studies for several biogenic alkenes can be found in Atkinson and Arey (2003).

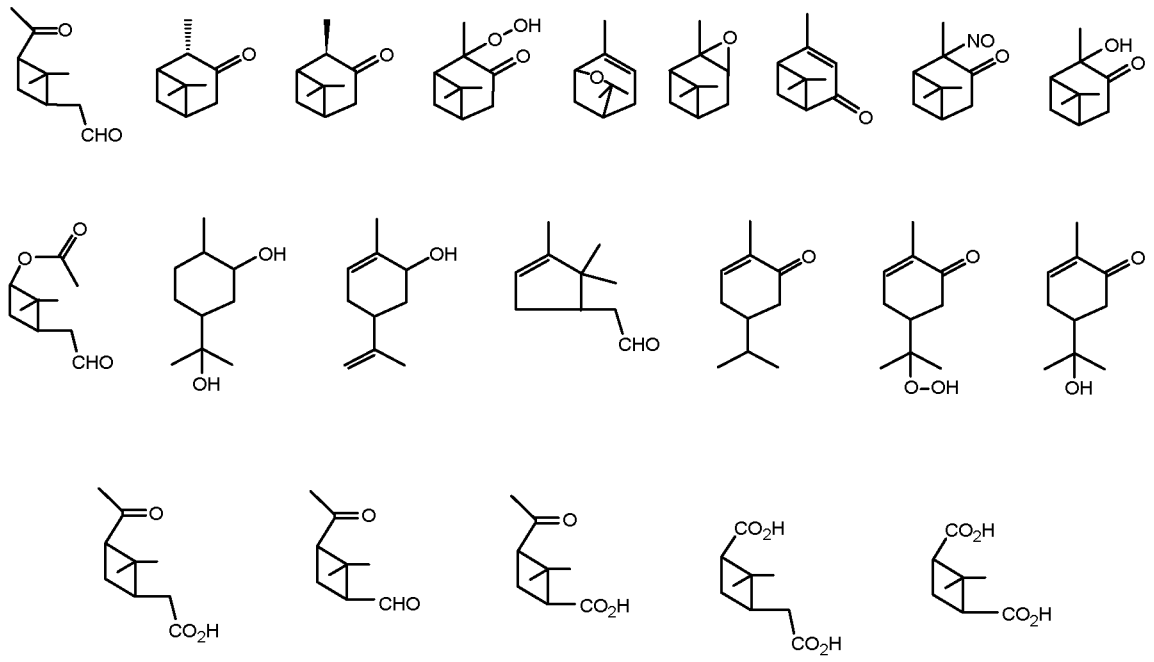

Figure AX2-5. Products from the reaction of terpenes with O_3.

Source: Atkinson and Arey (2003).

NO_2 also participates to a very small degree in the oxidation of alkenes by addition to double bonds in a manner similar to O_3. Rate constants for reactions of this type range from 10^{-18} to 10^{-24} for dienes and monoalkenes (King et al., 2002). It should also be noted that O_3 reacts with terpenoid compounds released from household products such as air fresheners and cleaning agents in indoor air to produce ultrafine particles (Wainman et al., 2000; Sarwar et al., 2002)

AX2.2.8 The Atmospheric Chemistry of Aromatic Hydrocarbons

Aromatic hydrocarbons represent a major class of compounds found in gasoline and other liquid fuels. Upon vaporization, most of these compounds react rapidly in the atmosphere (Davis et al., 1975) and following a series of complex processes, involving molecular oxygen and oxides of nitrogen, produce O_3. Reaction with OH radicals serves as the major atmospheric loss process of aromatic hydrocarbons. Atmospheric losses of alkyl aromatic compounds by O_3 and nitrate radicals have been found to be minor processes for most monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. (However, the reaction with of the nitrate radical with substituted hydroxybenzenes, such as phenol or o-,m-,p-cresol, can be an important atmospheric loss process for these compounds.) Much of the early work in this field focused on the temperature dependence of the OH reactions (Perry et al., 1977; Tully et al., 1981) using absolute rate techniques. Typically two temperature regions were observed for a large number of aromatic compounds and the complex temperature profile suggested that two mechanisms were operative. In the high temperature region, hydrogen (H)-atom abstraction from the aromatic ring dominates, and in the temperature regime less than 320K, OH addition to the aromatic ring is the dominant process. Thus, at normal temperatures and pressures in the lower troposphere, ring addition is the most important reactive process followed by H-atom abstraction from any alkyl substituents. The kinetics of monocyclic aromatic compounds are generally well understood and there is generally broad consensus regarding the atmospheric lifetimes for these compounds. By contrast, there is generally a wide range of experimental results from product studies of these reactions. This leads to a major problem in model development due to a general lack of understanding of the product identities and yields for even the simplest aromatic compounds, which is due to the complex reaction paths following initial reaction with OH, primarily by the addition pathway.

Two comprehensive reviews, which provide a detailed understanding of the current state-of-science of aromatic hydrocarbons have been written in the past five years. Atkinson (2000) reviewed the atmospheric chemistry of volatile organic compounds, of which aromatic hydrocarbons are included in one section of the review. More recently Calvert et al. (2002) conducted a highly comprehensive examination of the reaction rates, chemical mechanisms, aerosol formation, and contributions to O_3 formation for monocyclic and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons.

AX2.2.8.1 Chemical Kinetics and Atmospheric Lifetimes of Aromatic Hydrocarbons

Rate constants for the reaction of species in the atmosphere with aromatic hydrocarbons vary widely depending on the number of aromatic rings and substituent groups. Reactions of O_3 with aromatic hydrocarbons (AHCs) are generally slow except for monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons having unsaturated substituent groups. For example, indene and styrene have atmospheric lifetimes of 3.3 h and 23 h with respect to reaction with O_3, which are much longer than that due to reactive loss with either OH or NO_3. Thus, the atmospheric lifetimes and reaction products of O_3 and aromatic hydrocarbons will be ignored in this discussion. In addition to chemical reaction, some organic compounds photolyze in the lower atmosphere. Virtually all aromatic precursors are not subject to photolysis, although many of the ring fragmentation products having multiple carbonyl groups can photolyze in the troposphere.

The reaction rates and atmospheric lifetimes of monocyclic aromatic compounds due to reaction with OH radicals are generally dependent on the number and types of substituent groups associated with the ring. These reaction rates have been found to be highly temperature and pressure dependent. The temperature regimes are governed by the processes involved and show a quite complex appearance. At room temperature (~300 K), both addition to the aromatic ring and H-atom abstraction occur with the addition reaction being dominant. For the two smallest monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, the initial addition adduct is not completely stabilized at total pressures below 100 torr.

Numerous studies have been conducted to measure the OH + benzene rate constant over a wide range of temperatures and pressures. An analysis of absolute rate data taken at approximately 100 torr argon and not at the high pressure limit yielded a value of 1.2×10^{-12} cm^3

molec^{-1} s^{-1}. Atkinson (1989) recommended a value of 1.4×10^{-12} cm^{3}molec^{-1} s^{-1} at room temperature and atmospheric pressure. This recommendation has been refined only slightly and is reflected in the recent value recommended by Calvert et al. (2002) which is given as 1.39×10^{-12} cm^3 molec^{-1}s^{-1}. This recommended value for the reaction of OH + benzene together with values for other monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons is given in Table AX2-3.

In general, it is observed that the OH rate constants with monocyclic alkyl aromatic hydrocarbons are strongly influenced by the number of substituent groups found on the aromatic ring. (That is, the identity of the alkyl substituent groups has little influence on the overall reactions rate constant.) Single substituent single-ring aromatic compounds which include toluene, ethyl benzene, n-propylbenzene, isopropylbenzene, and t-butylbenzene have average OH reaction rate constants ranging from 4.5 to 7.0×10^{-12} cm^3 molec^{-1} s^{-1} at room temperature and atmospheric pressure. These rate constants lead to atmospheric lifetimes (see below) that are still greater than 1 day. Rate constants for monocyclic aromatic compounds with greater than 10 carbon atoms or more are generally not available.

The dominant monocyclic aromatic compounds with two substituents are m-,o-, and p-xylene. Their recommended OH rate constants range from 1.4 to 2.4×10^{-11} cm^3 molec^{-1} s^{-1}. Similarly, the three isomers of ethyltoluene have recommended OH rate constants ranging from 1.2 to1.9×10^{-11} cm^3 molec^{-1} s^{-1}. The only other two substituent single-ring aromatic compound for which the OH rate constant has been measured is p-cymene (para-isopropyltoluene), giving a value of 1.5×10^{-11} cm^3 molec^{-1} s^{-1}.

OH rate constants for the C_9 trimethyl substituted aromatic hydrocarbons (1,2,3-; 1,2,4-; 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene) are higher by a factor of approximately 2.6 over the di-substituted compounds. Rate constants for the three isomers range from 3.3 to 5.7×10^{-11} cm^3 molec^{-1} s^{-1}. While concentrations for numerous other trisubstituted benzene compounds have been reported (e.g., 1,2-dimethyl-4-ethylbenzene), OH rate constants for trimethylbenzene isomers are the only trisubstituted aromatic compounds that have been reported.

Aromatic hydrocarbons having substituent groups with unsaturated carbon groups have much higher OH rate constants than their saturated analogues. The smallest compound in this group is the C_8 AHC, styrene. This compound reacts rapidly with OH and has a recommended rate constant of 5.8×10^{-11} cm^3 molec^{-1} s^{-1}. (Calvert, 2002). Other methyl substituted styrene-

Table AX2-3. Hydroxyl Rate Constants and Atmospheric Lifetimes of Mono- and Di-cyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (adapted from Atkinson 2000)

Compound	OH Rate Constant ($\times 10^{12}$)	τ_{OH} (as indicated)
Benzene	1.4	8.3 d*
Toluene	5.6	2.1 d
Ethylbenzene	7	1.7 d
n-Propylbenzene	5.8	2.0 d
Isopropylbenzene	6.3	1.8 d
t-Butylbenzene	4.5	2.6 d
o-Xylene	14	20 h
m-Xylene	23	12 h
p-Xylene	14	19 h
o-Ethyltoluene	12	23 h
m-Ethyltoluene	19	15 h
p-Ethyltoluene	12	24 h
p-Cymene	14	19 h
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	33	8.4 h
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	33	8.6 h
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	57	4.8 h
Indan	19	15 h
Styrene[3]	58	4.8 h
α-Methylstyrene	51	5.4 h
Napthalene	23	12 h
1-Methylnapthalene	53	4.8 h
2-Methylnapthalene	52	8.8 h

[1] Rate coefficients given as cm^3/molec-sec.
[2] Lifetime for zero and single alkyl substituted aromatic based on OH concentration of 1×10^6 molec cm^{-3}.
[3] Lifetime for reaction of styrene with NO_3 is estimated to be 44 min based on a nighttime NO_3 concentration of 2.5×10^8 molec cm^{-3} and a rate coefficient of 1.5×10^{-12} cm^3/molec-sec.

type compounds (e.g., α-methylstyrene) have OH rate constants within a factor of two of that with styrene. However, for unsaturated monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons other processes including atmospheric removal by NO_3 radicals can also be important, particularly at night when photolysis does not substantially reduce the NO_3 radical concentration (see below).

Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons are found to a much lesser degree in the atmosphere than are the monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. For example, measurements made in Boston during 1995 (Fujita et al., 1995) showed that a single PAH (napthalene) was detected in the ambient morning air at levels of approximately 1% (C/C) of the total monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. 1-methyl and 2-methylnaphthalene have sufficient volatility to be present in the gas phase. Other higher molecular weight PAHs (≤ 3 aromatic rings), if present, are expected to exist in the gas phase at much lower concentrations than napthalene and are not considered here. OH rate constants for napthalene and the two methyl substituted napthalene compounds have been reviewed by Calvert et al. (2002). The values recommended (or listed) by Calvert et al. (2002) are given in Table AX2-3. As seen in the monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, the substitution of methyl groups on the aromatic ring increases the OH rate constant, in this case by a factor of 2.3.

Some data is available for the reaction of OH with aromatic oxidation products. (In this context, aromatic oxidation products refer to those products which retain the aromatic ring structure.) These include the aromatic carbonyl compound, benzaldehyde, 2,4-; 2,5-; and 3,4-dimethyl-benzaldehyde, and t-cinnamaldehyde. Room temperature rate constants for these compounds range from 1.3×10^{-11} cm^3 $molec^{-1}$ s^{-1} (benzaldehyde) to 4.8×10^{-11} cm^3 $molec^{-1}$ s^{-1} (t-cinnamaldehyde). While the yields for these compounds are typically between 2 to 6%, they can contribute to the aromatic reactivity for aldehydes having high precursor concentration (e.g., toluene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene). OH also reacts rapidly with phenolic compounds. OH reaction rates with phenols and o-, m, and p-cresol are typically rapid (2.7 to 6.8×10^{-11} cm^3 $molec^{-1}$ s^{-1}) at room temperature. Five dimethylphenols and two trimethylphenols have OH reaction rates ranging between 6.6×10^{-11} and 1.25×10^{-10} cm^3 $molec^{-1}$ s^{-1}. Finally, unlike the aromatic aldehydes and phenols, reaction rates for OH + nitrobenzene and OH + m-nitrotoluene are much lower than the parent molecules, given their electron withdrawing behavior from the aromatic ring. The room temperature rate constants are 1.4×10^{-13} and 1.2×10^{-12}, respectively.

The NO_3 radical is also known to react with selected AHCs and aromatic photooxidation products. Reaction can either occur by hydrogen atom abstraction or addition to the aromatic ring. However, these reactions are typically slow for alkyl aromatic hydrocarbons and the atmospheric removal due to this process is considered negligible. For AHCs having substituent groups with double bonds (e.g., styrene, α-methylstyrene), the reaction is much more rapid, due to the addition of NO_3 to the double bond. For these compounds, NO_3 rate constants are on the order of 10^{-12} cm^3 $molec^{-1}$ s^{-1}. This leads to atmospheric lifetimes on the order of about 1 h for typical night time atmospheric NO_3 levels of 2.5×10^8 molec cm^{-3} (Atkinson, 2000).

The most important reactions of NO_3 with AHCs are those which involve phenol and methyl, dimethyl, and trimethyl analogs. These reactions can be of importance due to the high yields of phenol for the atmospheric benzene oxidation and o-,m-,p-cresol from toluene oxidation. The NO_3 + phenol rate has been given as 3.8×10^{-12} cm^3 $molec^{-1}$ s^{-1}. Similarly, the cresol isomers each has an extremely rapid reaction rate with NO_3 ranging from 1.1 to 1.4×10^{-11} cm^3 $molec^{-1}$ s^{-1}. As a result, these compounds, particularly the cresol isomers, can show rapid nighttime losses due to reaction with NO_3 with nighttime lifetimes on the order of a few minutes. There is little data for the reaction of NO_3 with dimethylphenols or trimethylphenols which have been found as products of the reaction of OH + m, p-xylene and OH + 1,2,4-; 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene.

AX2.2.8.2 Reaction Products and Mechanisms of Aromatic Hydrocarbon Oxidation

An understanding of the mechanism of the oxidation of AHCs is important l if O_3 is to be accurately predicted in urban atmospheres through modeling studies. As noted above, most monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons are removed from the atmosphere through reaction with OH. Thus, product studies of the OH + AHC should provide the greatest information regarding the AHC oxidation products. However, the effort to study these reactions has been intractable over the past two decades due to a number of difficulties inherent in the OH-aromatic reaction system. There are several reasons for the slow progress in understanding these mechanisms. (1) Product yields for OH-aromatic systems are poorly understood; for the most studied system, OH-toluene, approximately 50% of the reaction products have been identified under conditions where NO_2 reactions do not dominate the removal of the OH-aromatic adduct. (2) As noted, the reaction mechanism can change as the ratio of NO_2 to O_2 changes in the system (Atkinson and

Aschmann, 1994). Thus, reaction product distributions that may be measured in the laboratory at high NO_2 (or NO_x) concentrations may not be applicable to atmospheric conditions. This also limits the usefulness of models to predict O_3 formation to the extent that secondary aromatic reactions are not completely parameterized in the system. (3) Aromatic reactions produce highly polar compounds for which there are few calibration standards available. In most cases, surrogate compounds have to be used in GC/MS calibrations. Moreover, it is not at all clear whether the present sampling techniques or analytical instruments are appropriate to measure the highly polar products produced in these systems. (4) Finally for benzene and toluene in particular, reaction rates of the products are substantially faster than that of the parent compounds. Thus, it is difficult to measure yields accurately without substantial interferences due to secondary reactions. Even given these difficulties, over the past decade a body of knowledge has been developed whereby the initial steps in the OH-initiated photooxidation have been established and a wide range of primary products from each of the major reaction systems have been catalogued.

Benzene is one of the most important aromatic hydrocarbons released into the atmosphere and is a recognized carcinogen. However, its reaction with OH is extremely slow and its contribution to urban O_3 formation is generally recognized to be negligible (Carter, 1994). As a result, relatively few studies have been conducted on the OH reaction mechanism of benzene. Major products of the oxidation of benzene have been found to be phenol and glyoxal (Berndt et al., 1999; Tuazon et al., 1986).

Most of the product analysis and mechanistic work on alkyl aromatic compounds in the gas phase has focused on examining OH reactions with toluene. The primary reaction of OH with toluene follows either of two paths, the first being an abstraction reaction from the methyl group and the second being addition to the ring. It has previously been found that H-atom abstraction from the aromatic ring is of minor importance (Tully et al., 1981). A number of studies have examined yields of the benzyl radical formed following OH abstraction from the methyl group. This radical forms the benzyl peroxy radical, which reacts with nitric oxide (NO) leading to the stable products benzaldehyde, with an average yield of 0.06, and benzyl nitrate, with an average yield less than 0.01 (Calvert et al., 2002). Thus, the overall yield for the abstraction channel is less than approximately 7%.

It is now generally recognized that addition of OH to the aromatic ring is the major process removing toluene from the atmosphere and appears to account for more than 90% of the reaction yield for OH + toluene. The addition of OH to the ring leads to an intermediate OH-toluene adduct that can be stabilized or can redissociate to the reactant compounds. For toluene, OH addition can occur at any of the three possible positions on the ring (ortho, meta, or para) to form the adduct. Addition of OH to the toluene has been shown to occur predominately at the ortho position (yield of 0.81) with lesser amounts at the meta (0.05) and para (0.14) positions (Kenley et al., 1981). The initial steps for both the abstraction and addition pathways in toluene have been shown in Figure AX2-6; only the path to form the ortho-adduct is shown, viz. reaction (2).

The OH-toluene adduct formed is an energy-rich intermediate that must be stabilized by third bodies in the system to undergo further reaction. Stabilization has been found to occur at pressures above 100 Torr for most third bodies (Perry et al., 1977; Tully et al., 1981). Therefore, at atmospheric pressure, the adduct will not substantially decompose back to its reactants as indicated by reaction (−2). The stabilized adduct (I) is removed by one of three processes: H-atom abstraction by O_2 to give a cresol, as in reaction (5); an addition reaction with O_2, as in reaction (6); or reaction with NO_2 to give m-nitrotoluene as in reaction (7).

The simplest fate for the adduct (I) is reaction with O_2 to form o-cresol. Data from a number of studies (e.g., Kenley et al., 1981; Atkinson et al., 1980; Smith et al., 1998; Klotz et al., 1998; summarized by Calvert et al., 2002) over a wide range of NO_2 concentrations (generally above 1 ppmv) show an average yield of approximately 0.15 for o-cresol. Most of the measurements suggest the o-cresol yield is independent of total pressure, identity of the third body, and NO_2 concentration (Atkinson and Aschmann, 1994; Moschonas et al., 1999), but the data tend to be scattered. This finding suggests that the addition of NO_2 to the hydroxy methylcyclo-hexadienyl radical does not contribute to the formation of phenolic-type compounds. Fewer studies have been conducted for m and p-cresol yields, but the results of two studies indicate the yield is approximately 0.05 (Atkinson et al., 1980; Gery et al., 1985; Smith et al., 1998). The data suggests good agreement between the relative yields of the cresols from the product studies at atmospheric pressure and studies at reduced pressures. Thus, H-atom abstraction from adducts formed at all positions appears to represent approximately 20% of the total yield for toluene.

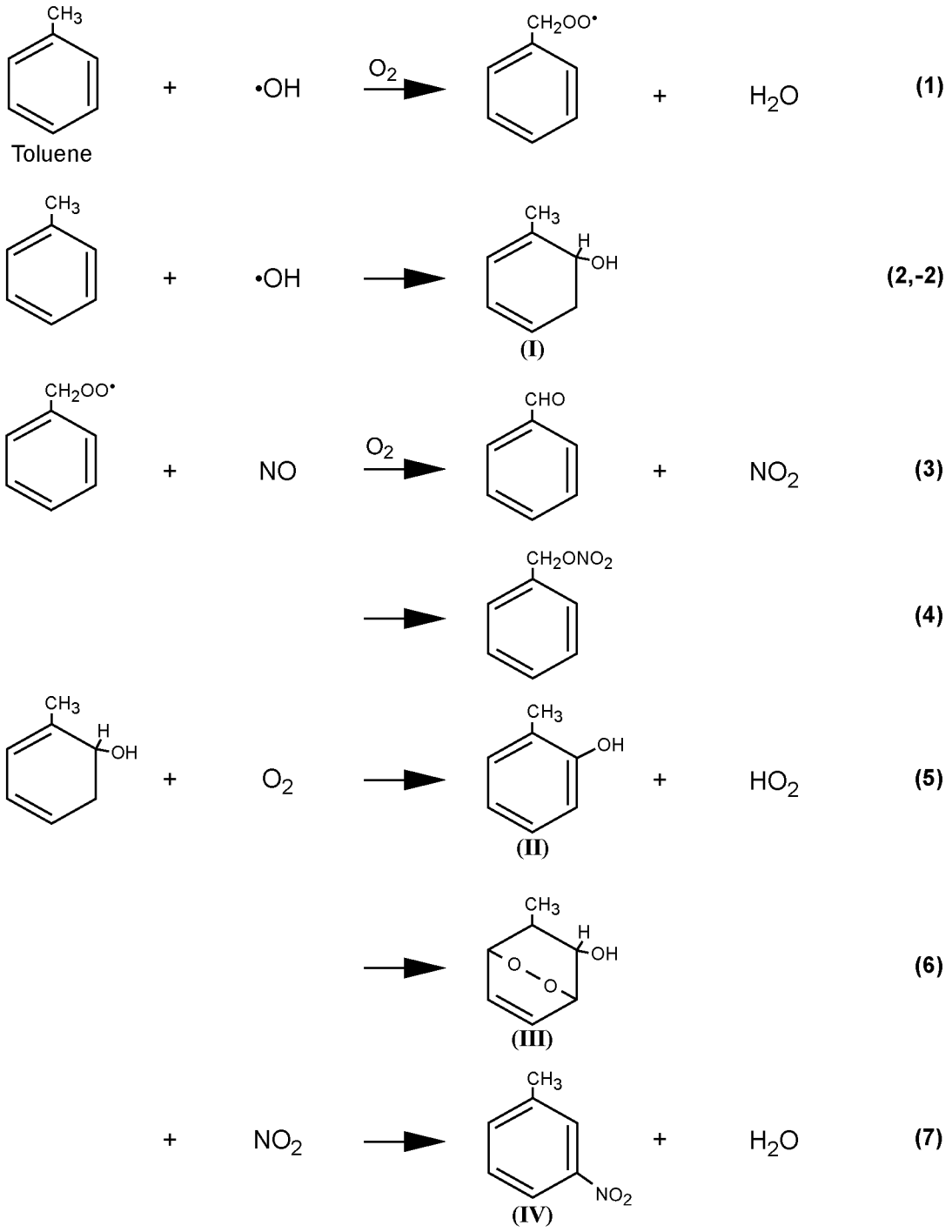

Figure AX2-6. Initial steps in the photooxidation mechanism of toluene initiated by its reaction with OH radicals.

The OH-toluene adduct also reacts with O_2 to form a cyclohexadienyl peroxy radical (III), shown as a product of reaction (6) after rearrangement. This radical can undergo a number of possible processes. Most of these processes lead to ring fragmentation products, many of which have been seen in several studies (Dumdei and O'Brien, 1984; Shepson et al., 1984). Ring-fragmentation products are frequently characterized by multiple double bonds and/or multiple functional groups. As such, these products are highly reactive and extremely difficult to detect and quantify.

Klotz et al. (1997; 1998) have suggested that the intermediate could also follow through a mechanism where toluene oxide/oxepin could be formed following the addition of O_2 to the OH-aromatic adduct. Recent experiments suggest that the formation of o-cresol through the photolysis of toluene oxide/oxepin is only a minor contributor to the overall o-cresol that has been measured (Klotz et al., 1998). This result contrasts to the high yield observed for the formation of phenol from the photolysis of benzene oxide/oxepin (Klotz et al., 1997). Recently, Berndt et al. (1999) used a flow tube to test the hypothetical formation of benzene oxide/oxepin from the OH + benzene reaction at pressures below 100 torr. They saw very little evidence for its formation.

A few studies have been conducted to identify fragmentation products using a variety of instruments. Several approaches have been used that employ structural methods, particularly mass spectrometry (MS), to identify individual products formed during the photooxidation. In one approach (Dumdei and O'Brien, 1984), the walls of the reaction chamber were extracted following an extended irradiation. In this study, the analysis was conducted by tandem mass spectrometry (MS/MS), which allowed products to be separated without the use of a chromatographic stationary phase. The investigators reported 27 photooxidation products from toluene, with 15 reportedly from ring fragmentation processes. However, the study was purely qualitative and product yields could not be obtained. No distinction could be made between primary and secondary products from the reaction because extended irradiations and species in various isotopic forms could not be differentiated. More refined approaches using atmospheric pressure ionization-tandem mass spectrometry has been used to study toluene (Dumdei et al., 1988) and m and p-xylene (Kwok et al., 1997) photooxidation.

In another study, Shepson et al. (1984) demonstrated that a number of these fragmentation products could be analyzed by gas chromatography. Fragmentation products detected in two

investigations (Dumdei and O'Brien, 1984; Shepson et al., 1984) included glyoxal, methyl glyoxal, butenedial, 4-oxo-2-pentenal, hydroxybutenedial, 1-pentene-3,4-dione, 1-butene-3,4-dione, and methyl vinyl ketone. Additional evidence (Shepson et al., 1984) for fragmentation processes came from the detection of 2-methylfuran and furfural. These compounds, although cyclic in structure, result from a bridged oxygen intermediate. Yields of the detected fragmentation products were subsequently measured in a number of studies (e.g., Bandow et al., 1985a,b; Tuazon et al., 1986; Smith et al., 1998), were typically under 15% on a reacted carbon basis.

An additional possible pathway for reaction of the OH-toluene adduct is by reaction with NO_2 to give isomers of nitrotoluene. A yield of approximately 0.015 at NO_2 concentrations of about 1 ppmv has been measured (Atkinson et al., 1991). Although this yield itself is fairly minor, the investigators reported a positive intercept in plotting the nitrotoluene concentration against the NO_2 concentration; however, the data were considerably scattered. The positive intercept has been interpreted as suggesting that the OH-toluene adduct does not add O_2. This finding would require, therefore, another mechanism than that described above to be responsible for the fragmentation products.

The results of this study can be compared to experiments which directly examined the OH radical loss in reactions of OH with toluene and other aromatic compounds. Knipsel and co-workers (Knispel et al., 1990) have found a double exponential decay for toluene loss in the presence of added O_2, a rapid decay reflective of the initial adduct formation and a slower decay reflecting loss of the adduct by O_2 or other scavengers. From the decay data in the presence of O_2, they determine a loss rate for the OH-toluene of 5.4×10^{-16} cm^3 $molec^{-1}$ s^{-1}. Use of this rate constant suggests that the loss rate of 2500 s^{-1} for the adduct in the presence of air at atmospheric pressure. This loss rate compares to a loss due to NO_2 (with a nominal atmospheric concentration of 0.1 ppmv) of about 100 s^{-1}. This finding suggests that removal of the OH-toluene adduct by O_2 is a far more important loss process than removal by NO_2 under atmospheric conditions which is in contrast other findings (Atkinson et al., 1991). This finding was confirmed by the recent experiments from Moschonas et al. (1999).

Therefore, studies on the disposition of toluene following OH reaction can be summarized as follows. It is generally accepted that H-atom abstraction from the methyl group by OH is a relatively minor process accounting for a 6 to 7% yield in the OH reaction with toluene.

Addition of OH to toluene to form an intermediate OH-toluene adduct is the predominant process. At atmospheric pressure, ring-retaining products such as the cresol and nitrotoluenes account for another 20% of the primary reaction products (Smith et al., 1999). The remaining 70 to 75% of the products are expected to be ring fragmentation products in the gas phase, having an uncertain mechanism for formation. Many of these fragmentation products have been detected, but appear to form at low yields, and relatively little quantitative information on their formation yields exists. As noted earlier, some of these products contain multiple double bonds, which are likely to be highly reactive with OH or photolyze which enhances the reactivity of systems containing aromatics. Mechanisms that cannot adequately reflect the formation of fragmentation products are likely to show depressed reactivity for the oxidation of toluene and other aromatic compounds.

The number of studies of the multiple-substituted alkyl aromatics, such as the xylenes or the trimethylbenzenes, is considerably smaller than for toluene. Kinetic studies have focused on the OH rate constants for these compounds. For the xylenes, this rate constant is typically a factor of 2 to 5 greater than that for OH + toluene. Thus, the OH reactivity of the fragmentation products is similar to that of the parent compounds, potentially making the study of the primary products of the xylenes less prone to uncertainties from secondary reactions of the primary products than is the case for toluene.

Products from the OH reaction with the three xylenes have been studied most comprehensively in a smog chamber using long-path FTIR (Bandow and Washida, 1985a) and gas chromatography (Shepson et al., 1984; Atkinson and Aschmann, 1994; Smith et al., 1999). Ring-fragmentation yields of 41, 55, and 36% were estimated for o-, m, and p-xylene, respectively, based on the dicarbonyl compounds, glyoxal, methyl glyoxal, biacetyl, and 3-hexene-2,5-dione detected during the photooxidation. These values could be lower limits, given that Shepson et al. (1984) report additional fragmentation products from o-xylene, including 1-pentene-4,5-dione, butenedial, 4-oxo-pentenal, furan, and 2-methylfuran. In the earlier studies, aromatic concentrations were in the range of 5 to 10 ppmv with NO_x at 2 to 5 ppmv. At atmospheric ratios of NO_2 and O_2, the observed yields could be different. Smith et al. (1999) examined most of the ring retaining products in the OH + m-xylene and OH + p-xylene systems. In each case, tolualdehyde isomers, dimethylphenol isomers, and nitro xylene isomers specific for each system were detected. The total ring retaining yield for OH + m-xylene was 16.3%; the

yield for OH + p-xylene it was 24.5%. A mass balance approach suggests that respective ring-fragmentation yields of 84% and 76%, respectively. Kwok et al. (1997) also measured products from the OH + m and p-xylene systems using atmospheric pressure ionization-tandem mass spectrometry. Complementary ring-fragmentation products to glyoxal, methylglyoxal, and biacetyl were detected from the parent ion peaks, although the technique did not permit the determination of reaction yields.

Smith et al. (1999) also studied ring fragmentation products from the reaction of OH with 1,2,4- and 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene. Ring-retaining products from the reaction with 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene gave three isomers each of dimethylbenzaldehyde and trimethylphenol as expected by analogy with toluene. However, the ring-retaining products only accounted for 5.8% of the reacted carbon. Seven additional ring-fragmentation products were also detected from the reaction, although the overall carbon yield was 47%. For 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene, its reaction with OH leads to only two ring-retaining products, 3,5-dimethyl-benzaldehyde and 2,4,6-trimethylphenol, given its molecular symmetry. Only a single fragmentation product was detected, methyl glyoxal, at a molar yield of 90%. The overall carbon yield in this case was 61%. The formation of relatively low yields of aromatic aldehydes and methylphenols suggests that NO_x removal by these compound in these reaction systems will be minimized (see below).

In recent years, computational chemistry studies have been applied to reaction dynamics of the OH-aromatic reaction systems. Bartolotti and Edney (1995) used density functional-based quantum mechanical calculations to help identify intermediates of the OH-toluene adduct. These calculations were consistent with the main addition of OH to the ortho position of toluene followed by addition of O_2 to the meta position of the adduct. The reaction energies suggested the formation of a carbonyl epoxide which was subsequently detected in aromatic oxidation systems by Yu and Jeffries, (1997). Andino et al. (1996) conducted ab initio calculations using density functional theory with semiempirical intermediate geometries to examine the energies of aromatic intermediates and determine favored product pathways. The study was designed to provide some insight into the fragmentation mechanism, although only a group additivity approach to calculate ΔH_{rxn} was used to investigate favored reaction pathways. However, the similarity in energies of the peroxy radicals formed from the O_2 reaction with the OH-aromatic adduct were very similar in magnitude making it difficult to differentiate among structures.

A detailed analysis of toluene oxidation using smog chamber experiments and chemical models (Wagner et al., 2003) shows that there are still large uncertainties in the effects of toluene on O_3 formation. A similar situation is likely to be found for other aromatic hydrocarbons.

AX2.2.8.3 The Formation of Secondary Organic Aerosol as a Sink for Ozone Precursors

Aromatic hydrocarbons are known to generate secondary organic aerosol (SOA) following their reaction with OH or other reactive oxidants. Secondary organic aerosol refers to the formation of fine particulate matter either through nucleation processes or through condensation onto existing particles. Over the last 12 years numerous experiments have been conducted in environmental chambers to determine the yield of secondary organic aerosol as a function of the reacted aromatic hydrocarbon. A review of the results of these studies can be found in the latest Air Quality for Particulate Matter Document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2003).

The extent to which aromatic reaction products are removed from the gas phase and become incorporated in the particle phase will influence the extent to which oxygenated organic compounds will not be available for participation in the aromatic mechanisms that lead to O_3 formation. However, this may be overstated to some degree for products of aromatic precursors. First, at atmospheric loading levels of organic particulate matter, the SOA yields of the major aromatic hydrocarbons are in the low percent range. Second, the aromatic products that are likely to condense on particles are likely to be highly oxygenated and have OH reaction rates that make them largely unreactive. Thus, while there may be some reduction of O_3 formation, it is not expected to be large.

AX2.2.9 Importance of Oxygenated VOCs

The role of oxygenated VOCs in driving O_3 production has generated increasing interest over the past decade. These VOCs include carbonyls, peroxides, alcohols, and organic acids. They are produced in the atmosphere by oxidation of hydrocarbons, as discussed above, but are also directly emitted to the atmosphere, in particular by vegetation (Guenther et al., 2000). In rural and remote atmospheres, oxygenated VOCs often dominate over nonmethane hydrocarbons in terms of total organic carbon mass and reactivity (Singh et al., 2004). The most abundant by mass of these oxygenated VOCs is usually methanol, which is emitted by

vegetation and is present in U.S. surface air at concentrations of typically 1-10 ppbv (Heikes et al., 2002).

Most oxygenated VOCs react with OH to drive O_3 production in a manner similar to the hydrocarbon chemistry discussed in the previous sections. In addition, carbonyl compounds (aldehydes and ketones) photolyze to produce peroxy radicals that can accelerate O_3 production, thus acting as a chemical amplifier (Jaeglé et al., 2001). Photolysis of formaldehyde by (A.26b) was discussed in section AX2.2.5. Also of particular importance is the photolysis of acetone (Blitz et al., 2004):

$$(CH_3)_2C(O) + h\nu \xrightarrow{2O_2} CH_3C(O)O_2^{\bullet} \qquad \text{(AX2-41)}$$

producing organic peroxy radicals that subsequently react with NO to produce O_3. The peroxyacetyl radical $CH_3C(O)OO$ can also react with NO_2 to produce PAN, as discussed in Section AX2.2.4. Photolysis of acetone are a minor but important source of HO_2 radicals in the upper troposphere (Arnold et al., 2004).

AX2.2.10 Influence of Multiphase Chemical Processes

In addition to reactions occurring in the gas phase, reactions occurring on the surfaces of or within cloud droplets and airborne particles also occur. Their collective surface area is huge, implying that collisions with gas phase species occur on very short time scales. The integrated aerosol surface area ranges from 4.2×10^{-7} cm^2/cm^3 for clean continental conditions to 1.1×10^{-5} cm^2/cm^3 for urban average conditions (Whitby, 1978). There have been substantial improvements in air quality especially in urban areas since the time these measurements were made and so the U.S. urban values should be scaled downward by roughly a factor of two to four. The resulting surface area is still substantial and the inferred collision time scale of a gaseous molecule with a particle ranges from a few seconds or less to a few minutes. These inferred time scales imply that heterogenous reactions will generally be much less important than gas phase reactions for determining radical concentrations especially when reaction probabilities much less then unity are considered. A large body of research has accumulated recently

regarding chemical processes in cloud droplets, snow and ice crystals, wet (deliquesced) inorganic particles, mineral dust, carbon chain agglomerates and organic carbon-coated particles.

Jacob's (2000) comprehensive review of the potential influences of clouds and aerosols on tropospheric O_3 cycling provides the starting point for this section. Updates to that review will also be provided. Jacob's review evaluates the literature available through late 1999, discusses major areas of uncertainty, recommends experiments to reduce uncertainties, and (based on then current information) recommends specific multiphase pathways that should be considered in models of O_3 cycling. In regard to the latter, Jacob's recommendations should be viewed as conservative. Specifically, only reasonably well-constrained pathways supported by strong observational evidence are recommended for inclusion in models. Several poorly resolved and/or controversial pathways that may be significant in the ambient troposphere lack sufficient constraints for reliable modeling. Some of these areas are discussed in more detail below. It should be noted at the outset that many of the studies described in this section involve either aerosols that are not found commonly throughout the United States (e.g., marine aerosol) or correspond to unaged particles (e.g., soot, mineral dust). In many areas of the United States, particles accrete a layer of hydrated H_2SO_4 which will affect the nature of the multiphase processes occurring on particle surfaces.

Major conclusions from this review are summarized as follows (comments are given in parentheses):

HO_x Chemistry

(1) Catalytic O_3 loss via reaction of $O_2^- + O_{3(aq)}$ in clouds appears to be inefficient.

(2) Aqueous-phase loss of HCHO in clouds appears to be negligible (see also Lelieveld and Crutzen, 1990).

(3) Scavenging of HO_2 by cloud droplets is significant and can be acceptably parameterized with a reaction probability of $\gamma_{HO_2} = 0.2$, range 0.1 to 1, for $HO_2 \rightarrow 0.5\ H_2O_2$. However, this approach may overestimate HO_2 uptake because the influence of $HO_{2(aq)}$ on the magnitude (and direction) of the flux is ignored.

(4) The uptake of alkyl peroxy radicals by aerosols is probably negligible.

(5) Hydrolysis of $CH_3C(O)OO$ in aqueous aerosols may be important at night in the presence of high PAN and aerosol surface area; $\gamma_{CH_3C(O)OO} = 4 \times 10^{-3}$ is recommended.

NO_x Chemistry

(6) Hydrolysis of N_2O_5 to HNO_3 in aqueous aerosols is important (Section AX2.2.4) (and can be parameterized with γ_{HNO_3} = 0.01 to 0.1 [Schutze and Herrmann, 2002; Hallquist et al., 2003]).

(7) Although the mechanism is uncertain, heterogeneous conversion of NO_2 to HONO on aerosol surfaces should be considered with $\gamma_{NO_2} = 10^{-4}$ (range 10^{-6} to 10^{-3}) for $NO_2 \rightarrow 0.5$ HONO + 0.5 HNO_3. (This reaction also occurs on snow, Crawford et al., 2001). Wet and dry deposition sinks for HONO should also be considered although scavenging by aerosols appears to be negligible.

(8) There is no evidence for significant multiphase chemistry involving PAN.

(9) There is no evidence for significant conversion of HNO_3 to NO_x in aerosols.

Heterogeneous ozone loss

(10) There is no evidence for significant loss of O_3 to aerosol surfaces (except during dust storms observed in East Asia, e.g., Zhang and Carmichael, 1999).

Halogen radical chemistry

(11) There is little justification for considering BrO_x and ClO_x chemistry (except perhaps in limited areas of the United States and nearby coastal areas).

Most of the above conclusions remain valid but, as detailed below, some should be qualified based on recently published findings and on reevaluation of results form earlier investigations.

AX2.2.10.1 HO_x and Aerosols

Field measurements of HO_x reviewed by Jacob (2000) correspond to regions with relatively low aerosol concentrations (e.g., Mauna Loa [Cantrell et al., 1996]; rural Ontario [Plummer et al., 1996]; and the upper troposphere [Jaeglé et al., 1999]). In all cases, however, significant uptake of HO_2 or $HO_2 + RO_2$ radicals by aerosols was inferred based on imbalances between measured concentrations of peroxy radicals and photochemical models of gas-phase chemistry. Laboratory studies using artificial aerosols (both deliquesced and solid) confirm uptake but the actual mechanism remains unclear. Several investigations report significant HO_x and H_2O_2 production in cloud water (e.g., Anastasio et al., 1994). However the potential importance of this source is considered unlikely because measurements in continental air show

no evidence of missing sources for HO_x or H_2O_2. No investigations involving the potential influences of marine aerosols as sources or sinks for HO_x were considered in the above analysis.

Relative to conservative seawater tracers such as Mg^{2+} and Na^+, organic C associated with sea-salt aerosols is typically enriched by 2 to 3 orders of magnitude in both polluted (e.g., Hoffman and Duce, 1976, 1977; Turekian et al., 2003) and remote regions (Chesselet et al., 1981). This organic C originates from three major sources: 1) organic surfactants concentrated from bulk seawater on walls of subsurface bubbles (Tseng et al., 1992), 2) the surface microlayer of the ocean (Gershey, 1983), and 3) condensation of organic gases (Pun et al., 2000). Coagulation of chemically distinct aerosols (e.g., via cloud processing) may also contribute under some conditions.

Resolving chemical processes involving particles in the marine boundary layer (MBL) is constrained by the relative scarcity of measurements of particulate organic carbon (POC) (Penner, 1995) and its molecular composition (Saxena et al., 1995). In MBL regions impacted by direct continental outflow, POC may constitute more that half of the total dry aerosol mass (Hegg et al., 1997). Carbon isotopic compositions in the polluted North Atlantic MBL indicate that, on average, 35% to 40% of POC originates from primary (direct injection) and secondary (condensation of gases) marine sources (Turekian et al., 2003).

The photolysis of dissolved organic compounds is a major source for OH, H_2O_2, and C-centered radicals in both the surface ocean (e.g., Blough and Zepp, 1995; Blough, 1997; Mopper and Kieber, 2000) and in marine aerosols (e.g., McDow et al., 1996). Relative to the surface ocean, however, production rates in the aerosol are substantially greater per unit volume because organic matter is highly enriched (Turekian et al., 2003) and aerosol pH is much lower (Keene et al., 2002a). Lower pHs increase rates of many reactions including acid-catalyzed pathways such as the breakdown of the $HOCl^-$ radical (King et al., 1995), the formation of H_2O_2 from the photolysis of phenolic compounds (Anastasio et al., 1997), and the photolysis of organic acids.

To provide a semi-quantitative context for the potential magnitude of this source, we assume a midday OH production rate in surface seawater of 10^{-11} M sec^{-1} (Zhou and Mopper, 1990) and a dissolved organic carbon enrichment of 2 to 3 orders of magnitude in sea-salt aerosols. This yields an estimated OH production rate in fresh (alkaline) sea-salt aerosols of 10^{-9} to 10^{-8} M sec^{-1}. As discussed above, rapid (seconds to minutes) acidification of the aerosol

should substantially enhance these production rates. Consequently, the midday OH production rates from marine-derived organic matter in acidified sea-salt aerosols may rival or perhaps exceed midday OH scavenging rates from the gas phase (approximately 10^{-7} M sec^{-1}; [Chameides and Stelson, 1992]). Scavenging is the only significant source for OH in acidified sea-salt aerosols considered by many current models.

Limited experimental evidence indicates that these pathways are important sources of HO_x and RO_x in marine air and possibly in coastal cities. For example, the absorption of solar energy by organic species dissolved in cloud water (e.g., Faust et al., 1993; Anastasio et al., 1997) and in deliquesced sea-salt aerosols (Anastasio et al., 1999) produces OH, HO_2, and H_2O_2. In addition, Fe(III) complexation by oxalate and similar ligands to metal such as iron can greatly enhance radical production through ligand to metal charge transfer reactions (Faust, 1994; Hoigné et al., 1994). Oxalate and other dicarboxylic anions are ubiquitous components of MBL aerosols in both polluted (e.g., Turekian et al., 2003) and remote regions (Kawamura et al., 1996).

Substantial evidence exists for washout of peroxy radicals. Near solar noon, mixing ratios of total HO_x plus RO_x radicals generally fall in the 50 ppt range, but during periods of rain these values dropped to below the detection limit of 3 to 5 ppt (Andrés-Hernández et al., 2001; Burkert et al., 2001a; Burkert et al., 2001b; Burkert et al., 2003). Such low concentrations cannot be explained by loss of actinic radiation, because nighttime radical mixing ratios were higher.

Burkert et al. (2003) investigated the diurnal behavior of the trace gases and peroxy radicals in the clean and polluted MBL by comparing observations to a time dependant, zero-dimensional chemical model. They identified significant differences between the diurnal behavior of RO_2^* derived from the model and that observed possibly attributable to multiphase chemistry. The measured HCHO concentrations differed from the model results and were best explained by reactions involving low levels of Cl.

Finally, photolytic NO_3^- reduction is important in the surface ocean (Zafiriou and True, 1979) and could contribute to OH production in sea-salt aerosols. Because of the pH-dependence of HNO_3 phase partitioning, most total nitrate (HNO_3 + particulate NO_3^-) in marine air is associated with sea salt (e.g., Huebert et al., 1996; Erickson et al., 1999). At high mM concentrations of NO_3^- in sea-salt aerosols under moderately polluted conditions (e.g., Keene et al., 2002) and with quantum yields for OH production of approximately 1% (Jankowski et al., 2000), this pathway would be similar in magnitude to that associated with scavenging

from the gas phase and with photolysis of dissolved organics. Experimental manipulations of marine aerosols sampled under relatively clean conditions on the California coast confirms that this pathway is a major source for OH in sea-salt solutions (Anastasio et al., 1999).

Although largely unexplored, the potential influences of these poorly characterized radical sources on O_3 cycling in marine air are probably significant. At minimum, the substantial inferred concentrations of HO_2 in aerosol solutions would diminish and perhaps reverse HO_2 scavenging by marine aerosols and thereby increase O_3 production relative to models based on Jacob's (2000) recommended reaction probability.

AX2.2.10.2 NO_x Chemistry

Jacob (2000) recommended as a best estimate, $\gamma_{N_2O_5} = 0.1$ for the reaction probability of N_2O_5 on aqueous aerosol surfaces with conversion to HNO_3. Recent laboratory studies on sulfate and organic aerosols indicates that this reaction probability should be revised downward, to a range 0.01-0.05 (Kane et al., 2001; Hallquist et al., 2003; Thornton et al., 2003). Tie et al. (2003) found that a value of 0.04 in their global model gave the best simulation of observed NO_x concentrations over the Arctic in winter. A decrease in N_2O_5 slows down the removal of NO_x and thus increases O_3 production. Based on the consistency between measurements of NO_y partitioning and gas-phase models, Jacob (2000) considers it unlikely that significant HNO_3 is recycled to NO_x in the lower troposphere. However, only one of the reviewed studies (Schultz et al., 2000) was conducted in the marine troposphere and none were conducted in the MBL. An investigation over the equatorial Pacific reported discrepancies between observations and theory (Singh et al., 1996b) that might be explained by HNO_3 recycling. It is important to recognize that both Schultz et al. (2000) and Singh et al. (1996b) involved aircraft sampling which, in the MBL, significantly under represents sea-salt aerosols and thus most total NO_3 ($HNO_3 + NO_3^-$) and large fractions of NO_y in marine air (e.g., Huebert et al., 1996). Consequently, some caution is warranted when interpreting constituent ratios and NO_y budgets based on such data.

Recent work in the Arctic has quantified significant photochemical recycling of NO_3^- to NO_x and perturbations of OH chemistry in snow (Honrath et al., 2000; Dibb et al., 2002; Domine and Shepson, 2002), which suggests the possibility of similar multiphase pathways occurring in aerosols. As mentioned above, recent evidence also indicates that NO_3^- is

photolytically reduced to NO_2^- (Zafariou and True, 1979) in acidic sea-salt solutions (Anastasio et al., 1999). Further photolytic reduction of NO_2^- to NO (Zafariou and True, 1979) could provide a possible mechanism for HNO_3 recycling. Early experiments reported production of NO_x during the irradiation of artificial seawater concentrates containing NO_3^- (Petriconi and Papee, 1972). Based on the above, we believe that HNO_3 recycling in sea-salt aerosols is potentially important and warrants further investigation. Other possible recycling pathways involving highly acidic aerosol solutions and soot are reviewed by Jacob (2000).

Ammann et al. (1998) reported the efficient conversion of NO_2 to HONO on fresh soot particles in the presence of water. They suggest that interaction between NO_2 and soot particles may account for high mixing ratios of HONO observed in urban environments. Conversion of NO_2 to HONO and subsequent photolysis to NO + OH would constitute an NO_x-catalyzed O_3 sink involving snow. High concentrations of HONO can lead to the rapid growth in OH concentrations shortly after sunrise, giving a "jump start" to photochemical smog formation. Prolonged exposure to ambient oxidizing agents appears to deactivate this process. Broske et al. (2003) studied the interaction of NO_2 on secondary organic aerosols and concluded that the uptake coefficients were too low for this reaction to be an important source of HONO in the troposphere.

Choi and Leu (1998) evaluated the interactions of nitric acid on a model black carbon soot (FW2), graphite, hexane and kerosene soot. They found that HNO_3 decomposed to NO_2 and H_2O at higher nitric acid surface coverages, i.e., $P(HNO_3) >= 10^{-4}$ Torr. None of the soot models used were reactive at low nitric acid coverages, at $P(HNO_3) = 5 \times 10^{-7}$ Torr or at lower temperatures (220K). They conclude that it is unlikely that aircraft soot in the upper troposphere/lower stratosphere reduces HNO_3.

Heterogeneous production on soot at night is believed to be the mechanism by which HONO accumulates to provide an early morning source of HO_x in high NO_x environments (Harrison et al., 1996; Jacob, 2000). HONO has been frequently observed to accumulate to levels of several ppb over night, and has been attributed to soot chemistry (Harris et al., 1982; Calvert et al., 1994; Jacob, 2000).

Longfellow et al. (1999) observed the formation of HONO when methane, propane, hexane and kerosene soots were exposed to NO_2. They estimate that this reaction may account for some part of the unexplained high levels of HONO observed in urban areas. They comment that

without details about the surface area, porosity and amount of soot available for this reaction, reactive uptake values cannot reliably be estimated. They comment that soot and NO_2 are produced in close proximity during combustion, and that large quantities of HONO have been observed in aircraft plumes.

Saathoff et al. (2001) studied the heterogeneous loss of NO_2, HNO_3, NO_3/N_2O_5, HO_2/HO_2NO_2 on soot aerosol using a large aerosol chamber. Reaction periods of up to several days were monitored and results used to fit a detailed model. They derived reaction probabilities at 294 K and 50% RH for NO_2, NO_3, HO_2 and HO_2NO_2 deposition to soot, HNO_3 reduction to NO_2, and N_2O_5 hydrolysis. When these probabilities were included in photochemical box model calculations of a 4-day smog event, the only noteworthy influence of soot was a 10% reduction in the second day O_3 maximum, for a soot loading of 20 $\mu g\ m^{-3}$, i.e., a factor of 2 to 10 times observed black carbon loadings seen during extreme U.S. urban pollution events, although such concentrations are observed routinely in the developing world.

Muñoz and Rossi (2002) conducted Knudsen cell studies of HNO_3 uptake on black and grey decane soot produced in lean and rich flames, respectively. They observed HONO as the main species released following nitric acid uptake on grey soot, and NO and traces of NO_2 from black soot. They conclude that these reactions would only have relevance in special situations in urban settings where soot and HNO_3 are present in high concentrations simultaneously.

AX2.2.10.3 Halogen Radical Chemistry

Barrie et al. (1988) first suggested that halogen chemistry on snow surfaces in the Arctic could lead to BrOx formation and subsequent O_3 destruction. More recent work suggests that halogen radical reactions may influence O_3 chemistry in mid latitudes as well.

The weight of available evidence supports the hypothesis that halogen radical chemistry significantly influences O_3 cycling over much of the marine boundary layer at lower latitudes and in at least some other regions of the troposphere. However, proposed chemical mechanisms are associated with substantial uncertainties and, based on available information, it appears unlikely that a simple parameterization (analogous to those recommended by Jacob (2000) for other multiphase transformations) would adequately capture major features of the underlying transformations.

Most of the Cl and Br in the marine boundary layer are produced in association with sea-salt aerosols by wind stress at the ocean surface (e.g., Gong et al., 1997). Fresh aerosols rapidly dehydrate towards equilibrium with ambient water vapor and undergo other chemical processes involving the scavenging of reactive gases, aqueous-phase transformations, and volatilization of products. Many of these processes are strongly pH-dependent (Keene et al., 1998). Throughout most of the marine boundary layer, sea-salt alkalinity is tritrated rapidly (seconds to minutes) by ambient acids (Chameides and Stelson, 1992; Erickson et al., 1999) and, under a given set of conditions, the pHs of the super-μm, sea-salt size fractions are buffered to similar values via HCl phase partitioning (Keene and Savoie, 1998; 1999; Keene et al., 2002).

Model calculations based on the autocatalytic halogen activation mechanism (Vogt et al., 1996; Keene et al., 1998; Sander et al., 1999; von Glasow et al., 2002a,b; Pszenny et al., 2003; Sander et al., 2003) predict that most particulate Br- associated with acidified sea-salt aerosol would react to form Br_2 and BrCl, which subsequently volatilize and photolyze in sunlight to produce atomic Br and Cl. Most Br atoms recycle in the gas phase via

$$\bullet Br + O_3 \rightarrow BrO\bullet + O_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-42)}$$

$$BrO\bullet + HO_2\bullet \rightarrow HOBr + O_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-43)}$$

$$HOBr + h\nu \rightarrow \bullet OH + \bullet Br \qquad \text{(AX2-44)}$$

and thereby catalytically destroy O_3, analogous to Br cycling in the stratosphere (e.g., Mozurkewitch, 1995; Sander and Crutzen, 1996). Side reactions with HCHO and other compounds produce HBr, which is either scavenged and recycled through the aerosol or lost to the surface via wet and dry deposition (Dickerson et al., 1999).

Cl-radical chemistry influences O_3 in two ways (e.g., Pszenny et al., 1993). Some atomic Cl in marine air reacts directly with O_3 initiating a catalytic sequence analogous to that of Br (AX2-42 through AX2-44 above). However, most atomic Cl in the MBL reacts with hydrocarbons (which, relative to the stratosphere, are present at high concentrations) via hydrogen extraction to form HCl vapor. The enhanced supply of odd hydrogen radicals from

hydrocarbon oxidation leads to O_3 production in the presence of sufficient NO_x. Thus, Cl chemistry represents a modest net sink for O_3 when NO_x is less than 20 pptv and a net source at higher NO_x. Although available evidence suggest that significant Cl-radical chemistry occurs in clean marine air, its net influence on O_3 appears to be small relative to that of Br and I.

In addition to Br and Cl, several lines of recent evidence suggests that an autocatalytic cycle also sustains I-radical chemistry leading to significant net O_3 destruction in marine air (Vogt et al., 1996, 1999; von Glasow et al., 2002a). The cycle is initiated by photolysis of organoiodine compounds emitted from the ocean surface to generate atomic I (Carpenter et al., 1999). Iodine atoms react almost exclusively with O_3 to form IO. Most IO photodissociates in sunlight to generate I and atomic O, which rapidly recombines with O_2 to form O_3. Consequently, this cycle has no net effect on O_3 (Stutz et al., 1999). However, alternative reaction pathways analogous to reactions AX2-42 through AX2-44 above lead to catalytic O_3 destruction. Model calculations suggest that HOI recycles via acid-catalyzed aerosol scavenging to form ICl and IBr, which subsequently volatilize and photolyze to form halogen atoms. The net effect of this multiphase pathway is to increase concentrations of volatile reactive I. The self reaction of IO to form I and OIO may further enhance O_3 destruction (Cox et al., 1999; Ashworth et al., 2002). IO also reacts with NO_2 to form INO_3, which can be scavenged by aqueous aerosols. This pathway has been suggested as a potentially important sink for NO_x in the remote MBL and would, thus, contribute indirectly to net O_3 destruction (McFiggans et al., 2000).

Various lines of observational evidence support aspects of the above scenarios. Most measurements of particulate Br in marine air reveal large depletions relative to conservative sea-salt tracers (e.g., Sander et al., 2003) and, because HBr is highly soluble in acidic solution, these deficits cannot be explained by simple acid-displacement reactions (e.g., Ayers et al., 1999). Observed Br depletions are generally consistent with predictions based on the halogen activation mechanism. In contrast, available, albeit limited, data indicate that I is highly enriched in marine aerosols relative to bulk seawater (e.g., Sturges and Barrie, 1988), which indicates active multiphase iodine chemistry.

Direct measurements of BrO in marine air by differential optical absorption spectroscopy (DOAS) reveal mixing ratios that are near or below analytical detection limits of about 1 to 3 ppt (Hönninger, 1999; Pszenny et al., 2003; Leser et al., 2003) but within the range of model

predictions. Column-integrated DOAS observations from space reveal substantial mixing ratios of tropospheric BrO (e.g., Wagner and Platt, 1998). Although the relative amounts in the MBL cannot be resolved, these data strongly suggest active destruction of tropospheric O_3 via the reaction sequence of AX2-42 through AX2-44. Similarly, measurements of IO (McFiggans et al., 2000) and OIO (Allan et al., 2001) indicate active O_3 destruction by an analogous pathway involving atomic I. In addition, anticorrelations on diurnal time scales between total volatile inorganic Br and particulate Br and between volatile inorganic I and particulate I have been reported (e.g., Rancher and Kritz, 1980; Pszenny et al., 2003). Although the lack of speciation precludes unambiguous interpretation, these relationships are also consistent with predictions based on the halogen activation mechanism.

Large diurnal variabilities in O_3 measured over the remote subtropical Atlantic and Indian Oceans (Dickerson et al., 1999; Burkert et al., 2003) and early morning depletions of O_3 observed in the remote temperate MBL (Galbally et al., 2000) indicate that only about half of the inferred O_3 destruction in the MBL can be explained by conventional HO_x/NO_x chemistry. Model calculations suggest that Br- and I-radical chemistry could account for a "missing" O_3 sink of this magnitude (Dickerson et al., 1999; Stutz et al., 1999; McFiggans et al., 2000; von Glasow et al., 2002b). In addition to the pathway for O_3 destruction given by R AX2-39 to R AX2-41, in areas with high concentrations of halogen radicals the following generic loss pathways for O_3 can occur in the Arctic at the onset of spring and also over salt flats near the Dead Sea (Hebestreit et al., 1999) and the Great Salt Lake (Stutz et al., 2002) analogous to their occurrence in the lower stratosphere (Yung et al., 1980).

$$\bullet X + O_3 \rightarrow XO\bullet + O_2 \quad (X = Br, Cl, I) \qquad \text{(AX2-45)}$$

$$\bullet Y + O_3 \rightarrow YO\bullet + O_2 \quad (Y = Br, Cl, I) \qquad \text{(AX2-46)}$$

$$XO\bullet + YO\bullet \rightarrow \bullet X + \bullet Y + O_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-47)}$$

$$\text{Net:} \quad 2O_3 \rightarrow 3O_2 \qquad \text{(AX2-48)}$$

Note that the self reaction of ClO radicals is likely to be negligible in the troposphere. There are three major reaction pathways involved in reaction AX2-47. Short-lived radical species are

produced. These radicals rapidly react to yield monoatomic halogen radicals. In contrast to the situation in marine air, where DOAS measurements indicate BrO concentrations of 1 to 3 ppt, Stutz et al. (2002) found peak BrO concentrations of about 6 ppt and peak ClO concentrations of about 15 ppt. They also derived a correlation coefficient of −0.92 between BrO and O_3 but much smaller values of r between ClO and O_3. Stutz et al. attributed the source of the reactive halogens to concentrated high molality solutions or crystalline salt around salt lakes, conditions that do not otherwise occur in more dilute or ocean salt water. They also suggest that halogens may be released from saline soils. The inferred atmospheric concentrations of Cl are about $10^5/cm^3$, or about a factor of 100 higher than found in the marine boundary layer by Rudolph et al. (1997) indicating that, under these conditions, the Cl initiated oxidation of hydrocarbons could be substantial.

Most of the well-established multiphase reactions tend to reduce the rate of O_3 formation in the polluted troposphere. Direct reactions of O_3 and atmospheric particles appears to be too slow to reduce smog significantly. Removal of HO_2 onto hydrated particles will decrease the production of O_3 by the reaction of HO_2 with NO. The uptake of NO_2 and HNO_3 will also result in the production of less O_3. Conditions leading to high concentrations of Br, Cl, and I radicals can lead to O_3 loss. The oxidation of hydrocarbons (especially alkanes) by Cl radicals, in contrast, may lead to the rapid formation of peroxy radicals and faster smog production in coastal environments where conditions are favorable for the release of gaseous Cl from the marine aerosol. There is still considerable uncertainty regarding the role of multiphase processes in tropospheric photochemistry and so results should be viewed with caution and an appreciation of their potential limitations.

AX2.2.10.4 Reactions on the Surfaces of Crustal Particles

Field studies have shown that O_3 levels are reduced in plumes containing high particle concentrations (e.g., DeReus et al.; 2000; Berkowitz et al., 2001; Gaffney et al., 2002). Laboratory studies of the uptake of O_3 on un-treated mineral surfaces (Hanisch and Crowley, 2002; Michel et al., 2002,2003) have shown that O_3 is lost by reaction on these surfaces and this loss is catalytic. Values of γ of $1.2 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{-4}$ were found for reactive uptake on α-Al2O_3 and $5 \pm 1 \times 10^{-5}$ for reactive uptake on SiO2 surfaces. Usher et al. (2003) found mixed behavior for O_3 uptake on coated surfaces with respect to untreated surfaces. They found that γ drops

from $1.2 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{-4}$ to $3.4 \pm 0.6 \times 10^{-5}$ when α-$Al2O_3$ surfaces are coated with NO_3 derived from HNO_3, whereas they found that γ increases to $1.6 \pm 0.2 \times 10^{-4}$ after these surfaces have been pre-treated with SO_2. Usher et al. also pre-treated surfaces of SiO_2 with either a C8-alkene or a C8-alkane terminated organotrichlorosilane. They found that γ increased to $7 \pm 2 \times 10^{-5}$ in the case of treatment with the alkene, but that it decreased to $3 \pm 1 \times 10^{-5}$ for treatment with the alkane. Usher et al. (2003) suggested, on the basis of these results that mineral dust particles coated with nitrates or alkanes will affect O_3 less than dust particles that have accumulated coatings of sulfite or alkenes. These studies indicate the importance of aging of airborne particles on their ability to take up atmospheric gases. Reactions such as these may also be responsible for O_3 depletions observed in dust clouds transiting the Pacific Ocean.

Underwood et al. (2001) studied the uptake of NO_2 and HNO_3 on the surfaces of dry mineral oxides (containing Al, Ca, Fe, Mg, Si and Ti) and naturally occurring mineral dust. A wide range of values of $\gamma(NO_2)$ were found, ranging from $< 4 \times 10^{-10}$ for SiO_2 to 2×10^{-5} for CaO, with most other values $\sim 10^{-6}$. Values of γ for Chinese loess and Saharan dust were also of the order of 10^{-6}. They found that as the reaction of NO_2 proceeds on the surfaces that reduction to NO occurs. They recommended a value of γ for HNO_3 of about 1×10^{-3}. Not surprisingly, the values of γ increased from those given above if the surfaces were wetted. Underwood et al. (2001) also suggested that the uptake of NO_2 was likely to be only of marginal importance but that uptake of HNO_3 could be of significance for photochemical oxidant cycles.

Li et al. (2001) examined the uptake of acetaldehyde, acetone and propionaldehyde on the same mineral oxide surfaces listed above. They found that these compounds weakly and reversibly adsorb on SiO_2 surfaces. However, on the other oxide surfaces, they irreversibly adsorb and can form larger compounds. They found values of γ ranging from 10^{-6} to 10^{-4}. These reactions may reduce O_3 production efficiency in areas of high mineral dust concentration such as the American Southwest or in eastern Asia as noted earlier.

AX2.2.10.5 Reactions on the Surfaces of Aqueous H_2SO_4 Solutions

The most recent evaluation of Photochemical and Chemical Data by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (Jet Propulsion Laboratory, 2003) includes recommendations for uptake coefficients of various substances on a variety of surfaces including aqueous H_2SO_4 solutions. Although much of the data evaluated have been obtained mainly for stratospheric applications, there are

studies in which the range of environmental parameters is compatible with those found in the troposphere. In particular, the uptake of N_2O_5 on the surface of aqueous H_2SO_4 solutions has been examined over a wide range of values. Typical values of γ are of the order of 0.1 (e.g., Jet Propulsion Laboratory, 2003). Values of γ for NO_2 are much lower (5×10^{-7} to within a factor of three) and thus the uptake of NO_2 on the surface of aqueous H_2SO_4 solutions is unlikely to be of importance for oxidant cycles. The available data indicate that uptake of OH and HO_2 radicals could be significant under ambient conditions with values of γ of the order of 0.1 or higher for OH, and perhaps similar values for HO_2.

AX2.2.10.6 Oxidant Formation in Particles

Water is a major component of sub-micron particles in the atmosphere. However, photochemical reactions in particles have not been studied to the same extent as they have in hydrometeors (e.g., Lelieveld and Crutzen, 1991). Friedlander and Yeh (1998) point out that H_2O_2 and hydroxymethylhydroperoxide ($HOCH_2OOH$) are especially likely to be found in the aqueous component of atmospheric particles, based on observed gas-phase concentrations and Henry's law solubility data; the concentrations in particles could be higher if the condensed hydroperoxides form peroxyhydrate complexes (Wexler and Sarangapani, 1998). Laboratory studies have found that UV irradiation of dissolved organic carbon (DOC) in collected cloudwater samples is a source of free radicals to the aqueous phase (Faust et al., 1992, 1993) but the mechanisms involved and the atmospheric fate of these radicals are unclear. Chemical reactions involving dissolved transition metal ions could also provide significant sources of radicals in particles (Jacob, 2000). However, only about 10 to 15% of the mass of organic compounds in particles are quantified typically, but many of the compounds, in particular aldehydes, could photolyze to produce free radicals. There are three basic mechanisms for the formation of SOA (Pandis et al., 1992; Seinfeld and Pankow, 2003). These are (1) condensation of oxidized end-products of photochemical reactions (e.g., ketones, aldehydes, organic acids, and hydroperoxides), (2) adsorption of semivolatile organic compounds (e.g., polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons) onto existing organic particles, and (3) dissolution of water-soluble gases that can then undergo subsequent reactions in particles (e.g., aldehydes). The first and third mechanisms are expected to be of major importance during the summer when photochemistry is at its peak. Information about the chemistry of formation of secondary organic aerosol (SOA) was reviewed

in Section 3.3.1 and available information about the composition of organic compounds in particles was summarized in Appendix 3C of the latest PM AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2004).

Recent measurements of aerosol-phase reactive oxygen species (ROS) in Rubidoux, CA and New York City have revealed relatively high concentrations, of the order of 5 to 6 $\times 10^{-7}$ in Rubidoux and 1 $\times 10^{-7}$ M m^{-3} in New York City, expressed as equivalent H_2O_2 (Venkatachari et al., 2005a,b). The ROS were found in particles of all sizes, with particularly high concentrations in the ultrafine range. However, this finding could also be related to the condensation of vapors onto particles occurring during adiabatic expansion in the nano stages of the sampler. A weak correlation was found with O_3, but large ROS concentrations were still found at night and in winter. The composition and sources of the ROS are not clear. Millimolar concentrations of hydroperoxides, as estimated by Friedlander and Yeh (1998), would contribute only 10^{-12} M m^{-3} based on a typical liquid water volume fraction in air of 10^{-9}. Formation of peroxyhydrates would lead to higher values but would have to be very large to account for the ROS observations. Ozone and PAN are orders of magnitude less water-soluble than the hydroperoxides (Jacob, 2000) and would not contribute significantly to the ROS. Radical oxidants (e.g., OH or the superoxide ion O_2^-) do not seem to be present in sufficient abundance in the atmosphere to possibly account for the ROS (Jacob, 2000). Low-volatility organic peroxides produced from the oxidation of large substituted organic compounds could possibly make a major contribution. Formation of these peroxides in the aerosol phase could be facilitated by photochemical reactions of dissolved organic components (Anastasio et al., 1997) and by reactions of transition metals (Jacob, 2000). Transition metals participate in the Haber-Weiss set of reactions, including Fenton's reaction, generating free radicals from hydrogen peroxide even in the dark.

AX2.3 PHYSICAL PROCESSES INFLUENCING THE ABUNDANCE OF OZONE

The abundance and distribution of O_3 in the atmosphere is determined by complex interactions between meteorology and chemistry. This section will address these interactions, based mainly on the results of field observations. The importance of a number of transport

mechanisms, whose understanding has undergone significant advances since the last AQCD for O_3, will be discussed in this section.

Major episodes of high O_3 concentrations in the eastern United States and in Europe are associated with slow moving, high pressure systems. High pressure systems during the warmer seasons are associated with the sinking of air, resulting in warm, generally cloudless conditions, with light winds. The sinking of air results in the development of stable conditions near the surface which inhibit or reduce the vertical mixing of O_3 precursors. The combination of inhibited vertical mixing and light winds minimizes the dispersal of pollutants emitted in urban areas, allowing their concentrations to build up. Photochemical activity involving these precursors is enhanced because of higher temperatures and the availability of sunlight. In the eastern United States, high O_3 concentrations during a large scale episode can extend over a hundred thousand square kilometers for several days. These conditions have been described in greater detail in AQCD 96. The transport of pollutants downwind of major urban centers is characterized by the development of urban plumes. However, the presence of mountain barriers can limit mixing as in Los Angeles and Mexico City and will result in even longer periods and a higher frequency of days with high O_3 concentrations. Ozone concentrations in southern urban areas, such as Houston, TX and Atlanta, GA tend to follow this pattern and they tend to decrease with increasing wind speed. In northern cities, like Chicago, IL; New York, NY; and Boston, MA the average O_3 concentrations over the metropolitan areas increase with wind speed indicating that transport of O_3 and its precursors from upwind areas is important (Husar and Renard, 1998; Schichtel and Husar, 2001).

Aircraft observations indicate that there can be substantial differences in mixing ratios of key species between the surface and the atmosphere above (Fehsenfeld et al., 1996a; Berkowitz and Shaw, 1997). Convective processes and small scale turbulence transport O_3 and other pollutants both upward and downward throughout the planetary boundary layer and the free troposphere. Ozone and its precursors were found to be transported vertically by convection into the upper part of the mixed layer on one day, then transported overnight as a layer of elevated mixing ratios and then entrained into a growing convective boundary layer downwind and brought back down to the surface. High concentrations of O_3 showing large diurnal variations at the surface in southern New England were associated with the presence of such layers (Berkowitz et al., 1998). Because of wind shear, winds several hundred meters above the ground

can bring pollutants from the west, even though surface winds are from the southwest during periods of high O_3 in the eastern United States (Blumenthal et al., 1997). Low level nocturnal jets can also transport pollutants hundreds of kilometers. Turbulence associated with them can bring these pollutants to the surface and in many locations result in secondary O_3 maxima in the early morning (Corsmeier et al., 1997). Based on analysis of the output of model studies conducted by Kasibhatla and Chameides (2000), Hanna et al. (2001) concluded that O_3 can be transported over thousands of kilometers in the upper boundary layer of the eastern half of the United States during specific O_3 episodes.

Stratospheric-tropospheric exchange (STE) will be discussed in Section AX2.3.1. The vertical redistribution of O_3 and other pollutants by deep, or penetrating convection is discussed in Section AX2.3.2. The potential importance of transport of O_3 and precursors by low-level jets is the topic of Section AX2.3.3. Issues related to the transport of O_3 from North America are presented in Section AX2.3.4. Relations of O_3 to solar ultraviolet radiation and temperature will then be discussed in Section AX2.3.5.

AX2.3.1 Stratospheric-Tropospheric Ozone Exchange (STE)

In the stratosphere, O_3 formation is initiated by the photodissociation of molecular oxygen (O_2) by solar ultraviolet radiation at wavelengths less than 242 nm. Almost all of this radiation is absorbed in the stratosphere (except for regions near the tropical tropopause), preventing this mechanism from occurring in the troposphere. Some of the O_3 in the stratosphere is transported downward into the troposphere. The potential importance of this source of tropospheric O_3 has been recognized since the early work of Regener (1941), as cited by Junge (1963). Stratospheric-tropospheric exchange (STE) of O_3 and stratospheric radionuclides produced by the nuclear weapons tests of the 1960s is at a maximum during late winter and early spring (e.g., Ludwig et al., 1977 and references therein). Since AQCD 96 on O_3 substantial new information from numerical models, field experiments and satellite-based observations has become available. The following sections outline the basic atmospheric dynamics and thermodynamics of stratosphere/troposphere exchange and review these new developments.

There are several important mechanisms for injecting stratospheric O_3 into the troposphere, they include tropopause folds (Reed, 1955; Danielsen, 1968), cut-off lows (Price and Vaughan, 1993), clear air turbulence, mesoscale convective complexes and thunderstorms, breaking gravity waves (Poulida et al., 1996; Langford and Reid, 1998; Stohl et al., 2003) and streamers. Streamers are dry, stratospheric intrusions visible in satellite water vapor imagery that are sheared into long filamentary structures that often roll into vortices and exhibit visible evidence of the irreversible mixing of moist subtropical tropospheric and dry polar stratospheric air (Appenzeller et al., 1996; Wimmers et al., 2003). They are often present at a scale that eludes capture in large scale dynamical models of the atmosphere that cannot resolve features less than 1 degree (~100 km). Empirical evidence for stratospheric intrusions comes from observations of indicators of stratospheric air in the troposphere. These indicators include high potential vorticity, low water vapor mixing ratios, high potential temperature, enhancements in the ratio of ^{7}Be to ^{10}Be in tropospheric aerosols, as well as enhancements in O_3 mixing ratios and total column amounts. These quantities can be observed with in situ aircraft and balloons, as well as remotely sensed from aircraft and ground-based lidars and both geostationary and polar (low earth orbiting) space platforms.

The exchange of O_3 between the stratosphere and the troposphere in middle latitudes occurs to a major extent by tropopause folding events (Reiter, 1963; Reiter and Mahlman, 1965; Danielsen, 1968; Reiter, 1975; Danielsen and Mohnen, 1977; Danielsen, 1980). The term, tropopause folding is used to describe a process in which the tropopause intrudes deeply into the troposphere along a sloping frontal zone bringing air from the lower stratosphere with it. Tropopause folds occur with the formation of upper level fronts associated with transverse circulations that develop around the core of the polar jet stream. South of the jet stream core, the tropopause is higher than to the north of it. The tropopause can be imagined as wrapping around the jet stream core and folding beneath it and extending into the troposphere (cf. Figure AX2-7a). Although drawn as a heavy solid line, the tropopause should not be imagined as a material surface, through which there is no exchange. Significant intrusions of stratospheric air occur in "ribbons" ~200 to 1000 km in length, 100 to 300 km wide and about 1 to 4 km thick (Hoskins, 1972; Wimmers et al., 2003). These events occur throughout the year and their location follows the seasonal displacement of the polar jet stream.

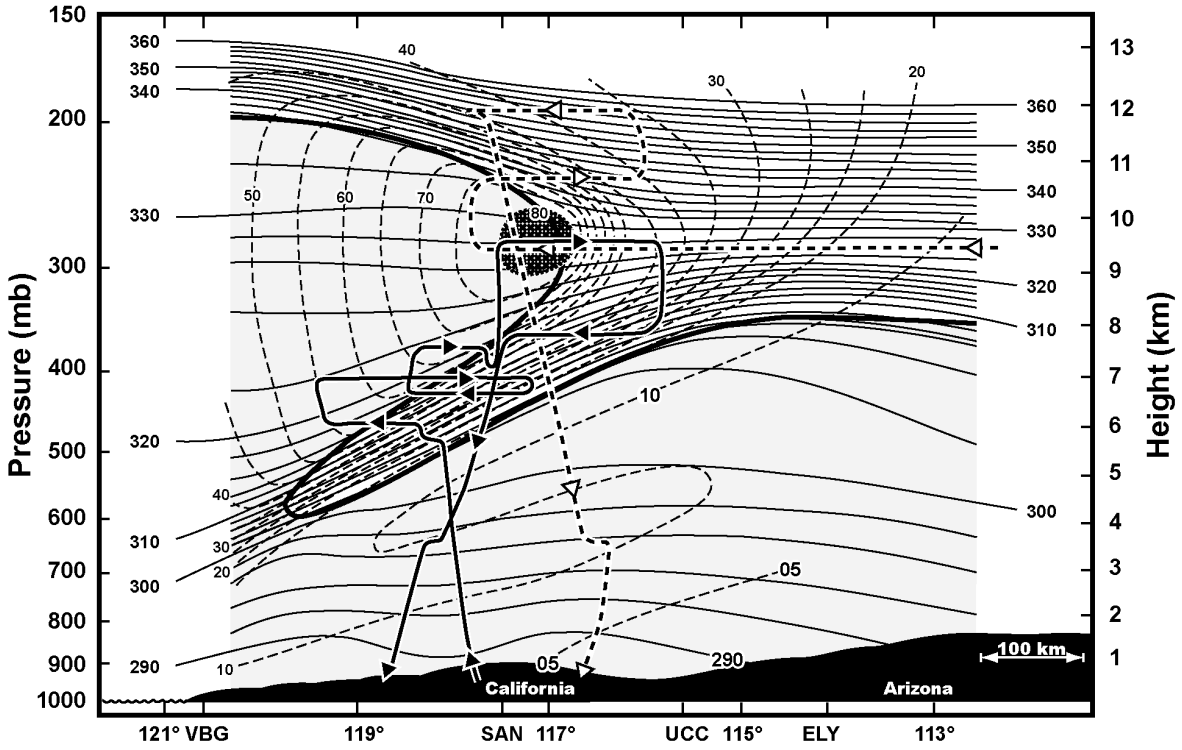

Figure AX2-7a. Cross section through a tropopause folding event on March 13, 1978 at 0000 GMT. Potential temperatures (K) are represented by thin solid lines. Wind speeds (m s^{-1}) are given by thin dashed lines. The hatched area near the center of the figure indicates the location of the jet stream core. The tropopause defined by a potential vorticity of 100 × 10^{-7} K mb^{-1} s^{-1} is shown as the heavy solid line. The two Sabreliner flight tracks through this cross section are shown as a heavy solid line with filled arrows and heavy dashed line with open arrows. Longitude is shown along the x-axis . Upper air soundings were taken at Vandenberg AFB, CA (VBG); San Diego, CA (SAN); Winnemucca, NV (UCC); and Ely, NV (ELY).

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The seasonal cycle of O_3 exchange from the stratosphere into the troposphere is not caused by a peak in the seasonal cycle of upper tropospheric cyclone activity. Instead, it is related to the large scale pattern of tracer transport in the stratosphere. During winter in the Northern Hemisphere, there is a maximum in the poleward, downward transport of mass, which moves O_3 from the tropical upper stratosphere to the lower stratosphere of the polar- and midlatitudes.

This global scale pattern is controlled by the upward propagation of large-scale and small-scale waves generated in the troposphere. As the energy from these disturbances dissipates, it drives this stratosphere circulation. As a result of this process, there is a springtime maximum in the total column abundance of O_3 over the poles. The concentrations of O_3 (and other trace substances) build up in the lower stratosphere until their downward fluxes into the lower stratosphere are matched by increased fluxes into the troposphere. Thus, there would be a springtime maximum in the flux of O_3 into the troposphere even if the flux of stratospheric air through the tropopause by tropopause folding remained constant throughout the year (Holton et al., 1995). Indeed, cyclonic activity in the upper troposphere is active throughout the entire year in transporting air from the lower stratosphere into the troposphere (Mahlman, 1997; and references therein). Oltmans et al. (1996) and Moody et al. (1996) provide evidence that stratospheric intrusions contribute to the O_3 abundance in the upper troposphere over the North Atlantic even during the summer.

There are a number of techniques that have been used to quantify the amount of O_3 in the free troposphere or even the amount of O_3 reaching the surface that can be attributed to downward transport from the stratosphere. Earlier work, cited in AQCD 96 relied mainly on the use of ^{7}Be as a tracer of stratospheric air. However, its use is ambiguous because it is also formed in the upper troposphere. Complications also arise because its production rate is also sensitive to solar activity (Lean, 2000). The ratio of ^{7}Be to ^{10}Be provides a much more sensitive tracer of stratospheric air than the use of ^{7}Be alone (Jordan et al., 2003 and references therein). More recent work than cited in AQCD 96 has focused on the use of potential vorticity (PV) as a tracer of stratospheric air. Potential vorticity is a *dynamical tracer* used in meteorology. Generally, PV is calculated from wind and temperature observations and represents the rotational tendency of a column of air weighted by the static stability, which is just the distance between isentropic surfaces. This quantity is a maximum in the lower stratosphere where static stability is great and along the jet stream where wind shear imparts significant rotation to air parcels. As air moves from the stratosphere to the troposphere, PV is conserved, and therefore it *traces* the motion of O_3. The static stability is lower in the troposphere, so to preserve PV, fluid rotation will increase. This is why STE is associated with cyclogenesis, or the formation of storms along the polar jet stream. Dynamical models clearly capture this correspondence between the location of storm tracks and preferred regions for STE. However, because PV is

destroyed at a faster rate with increasing depth, it is not useful as a tracer of stratospheric air reaching the surface. Appenzeller et al. (1996) found that maps of PV coupled with satellite images of humidity can provide indications of the intrusion of stratospheric air into the troposphere, however, they had no measurements of O_3. Even if measurements of O_3 were available, the extrapolation of any relations to other events would still be problematic as Olsen et al. (2002) have noted that there are seasonal and geographic variations in the relation between O_3 and PV. Recent flights of the NCAR C130 during the TOPSE campaign measured in situ O_3, and curtains of O_3 above and below the aircraft observed with a lidar and clearly showed a correspondence between high PV and stratospheric levels of O_3 and satellite depictions of dry air indicating the presence of tropopause folding (Wimmers and Moody, 2004a,b).

Detailed cross sections through a tropopause folding event showing atmospheric structure, O_3 mixing ratios and condensation nuclei (CN) counts are given in Figures AX2-7a, AX2-7b, and AX2-7c (Shapiro, 1980). Flight tracks of an NCAR Sabreliner obtaining data through the tropopause fold are also shown. The core of the jet stream is indicated by the hatched area near the center of Figure AX2-7a. As can be seen from Figure AX2-7 a and b, there is a strong relation between the folding of the tropopause, indicated by the heavy solid line and O_3. CN counts during the portions of the flights in the lower troposphere were tropospheric were typically of the order of several $\times 10^{3}$ cm^{-3} and 100 or less in the stratospheric portion. However, it is clear that CN counts in the fold are much higher than in the stratosphere proper, suggesting that there was active mixing between tropospheric and stratospheric air in the fold. Likewise, it can also be seen form Figure AX2-7b that O_3 is being mixed outside the fold into the middle and upper troposphere. The two data sets shown in Figures AX2-7b and 7c indicate that small scale turbulent processes were occurring to mediate this exchange and that the folds are mixing regions whose chemical characteristics lie between those of the stratosphere and the troposphere (Shapiro, 1980). Chemical interactions between stratospheric and tropospheric constituents are also possible within tropopause folds. These considerations also imply that in the absence of turbulent mixing, tropopause folding can be a reversible process.

Several recent papers have attempted to demonstrate that the atmosphere is a fluid composed of relatively distinct airstreams with characteristic three-dimensional motions and corresponding trace gas signatures. Based on aircraft observations, satellite imagery, and back trajectories, it has been shown that dry airstreams, or dry intrusions (DA or DI) always advect

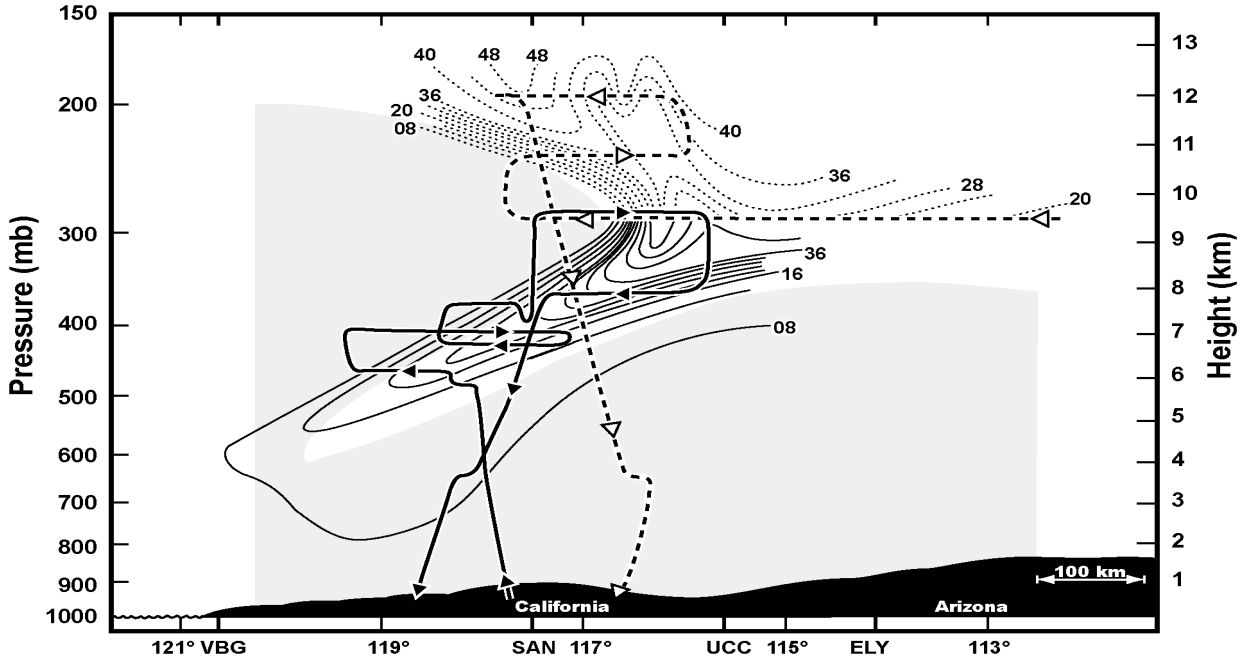

Figure AX2-7b. Ozone mixing ratios pphm (parts per hundred million) corresponding to Figure AX2-7A. The two Sabreliner flight tracks through this cross section are shown as a heavy solid line with filled arrows and a heavy dashed line with open arrows. Longitude is shown along the x-axis. Upper air soundings were taken at Vandenberg AFB, CA (VBG); San Diego, CA (SAN); Winnemucca, NV (UCC); and Ely, NV (ELY).

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stratospheric O_3 into the middle and upper troposphere (Cooper et al, 2001; Cooper et al., 2002a), however the seasonal cycle of O_3 in the lowermost stratosphere allows greater quantities of O_3 to enter the troposphere during spring (Cooper et al., 2002b). Other work has focused on the signatures of PV to show specific instances of STE (Olsen and Stanford, 2001). This correlation between TOMS gradients and PV was also used to derive the annual mass flux of O_3 from STE and generated an estimate somewhat higher (500 Tg/yr over the Northern Hemisphere) than the estimates of most general circulation models. The IPCC has reported a large range of model estimates of STE, expressed as the net global flux of O_3 in Tg/yr, from a low of 390 to a high of 1440 (reproduced as Table AX2-3C-1). A few other estimates have been made based on chemical observations in the lower stratosphere, or combined chemistry and

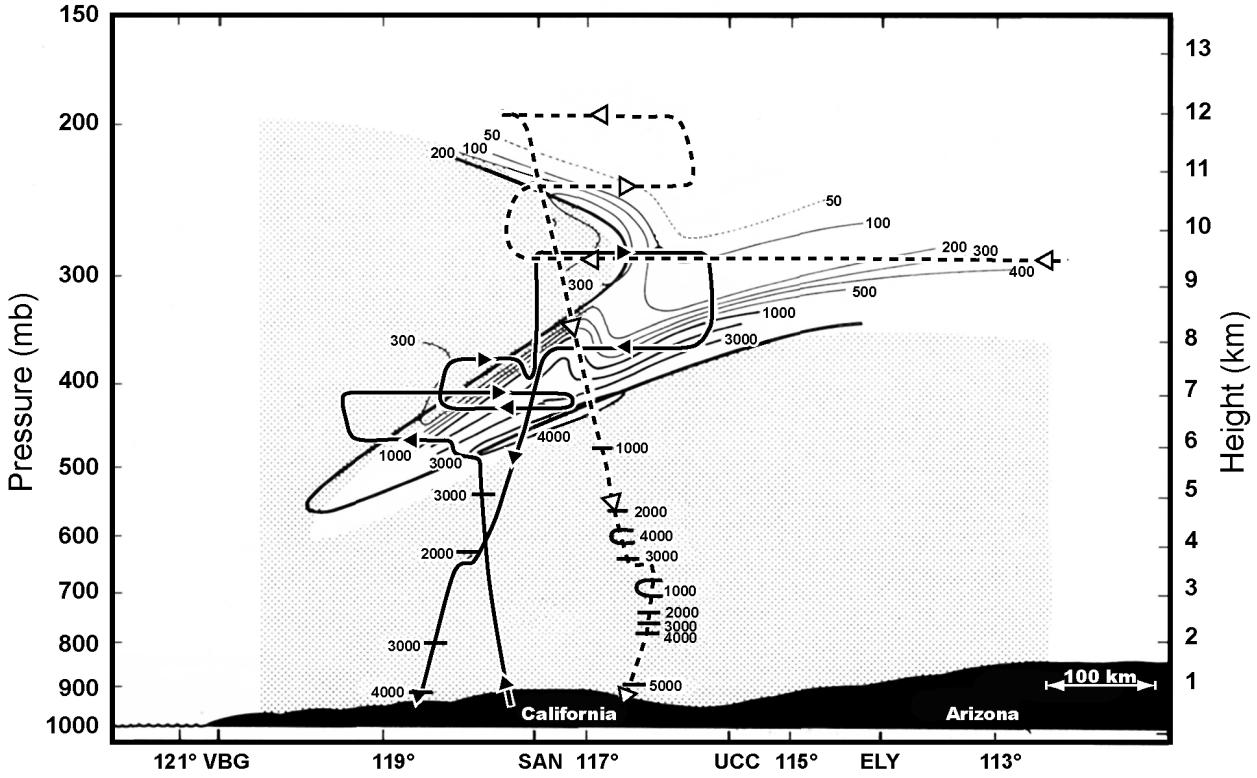

Figure AX2-7c. Condensation nuclei concentrations (particles cm^{-3}) corresponding to Figure AX2-7a. The two flight Sabreliner flight tracks through this cross section are shown as a heavy solid line with filled arrows and a heavy dashed line with open arrows. Longitude is shown along the x-axis. Upper air soundings were taken at Vandenberg AFB, CA (VBG); San Diego, CA (SAN); Winnemucca, NV (UCC); and Ely, NV (ELY).

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dynamics (450 Tg/yr Murphy and Fahey, 1994; 510 Tg/yr extratropics only, Gettleman et al., 1997; and 500 Tg/yr midlatitude NH only (30 to 60N) (Olsen et al., 2002). These values illustrate the large degree of uncertainty that remains in quantifying this important source of O_3.

Based on the concept of tracing airstream motion, a number of Lagrangian model studies have resulted in climatologies that have addressed the spatial and temporal variability in stratosphere to troposphere transport (Stohl, 2001; Wernli and Borqui, 2002; Seo and Bowman, 2002; James et al., 2003a,b; Sprenger and Wernli, 2003; Sprenger et al., 2003). Both Stohl (2001) and Sprenger et al. (2003) produced one year climatologies of tropopause folds based on

a 1° by 1° gridded meteorological data set. They each found the probability of deep folds (penetrating to the 800 hPa level) was a maximum during winter (December through February). The highest frequency of folding extended from Labrador down the east coast of North America. However, these deep folds occurred less than 1% of the six hour intervals for which meteorological data is assimilated for grid points in the United States. They observed a higher frequency of more shallow folds (penetrating to the upper troposphere) and medium folds (penetrating to levels between 500 and 600 hPa) of about 10% and 1 to 2% respectively. These events occur preferentially across the subtropics and the southern United States. At higher latitudes other mechanisms such as the erosion of cut-off lows and the breakup of stratospheric streamers are likely to play an important role in STE. Stohl (2001) also described the region of strong stirring in the upper extratropical troposphere related to the midlatitude storm tracks. Stohl (2001) demonstrated that airstreams with strong vertical motion are all highly incoherent, they stir their air parcels into a new environment, producing filamentary tracer structures and paving the way for subsequent mixing. A 15-year climatology by Sprenger and Wernli (2003) shows the consistent pattern of STE occurring over the primary storm tracks in the Pacific and Atlantic along the Asian and North American coasts. This climatology, and the one of James et al. (2003a,b) both found that recent stratospheric air associated with deep intrusions are relatively infrequent occurrences in these models. Thus, stratospheric intrusions are most likely to directly affect the middle and upper troposhere and not the planetary boundary layer. However, this O_3 can still exchange with the planetary boundary layer through convection as described later in this sub-section and in Section AX2.3.2, AX2.3.3 and AX2.3.4.

Interannual variations in STE are related to anomalies in large-scale circulation such as the North Atlantic Oscillation which causes changes in storm track positions and intensities, and the El Niño-Southern Oscillation, which results in anomalous strong convection over the eastern Pacific (James et al., 2003a,b). It should also be remembered that the downward flux of O_3 into the troposphere is related to the depletion of O_3 within the wintertime stratospheric polar vortices. The magnitude of this depletion and the transport of O_3 depleted air to midlatitudes in the stratosphere (Mahlman et al., 1994; Hadjinicolaou and Pyle, 2004) shows significant interannual variability which may also be reflected in the downward flux of O_3 into the troposphere. All of these studies, from the analysis of individual events to multiyear climatologies are based on the consideration of the three-dimensional motion of discrete

airstreams in the atmosphere. However, there is a significant body of work that reports that airstreams are not entirely independent of each other (Cooper et al., 2004a,b). Midlatitude cyclones typically form in a sequential manner, some trailing in close proximity along a quasi-stationary frontal boundary, with each system influenced by remnants of other systems. For example, a rising stream of air ahead of a cold front (also known as a warm conveyor belt or WCB) on the back (western) side of a surface anticyclone may entrain air that has subsided anticyclonically into the surface high pressure system from the upper troposphere and the lower stratosphere (also known as a Dry Airstream or DA) that intruded into the mid-troposphere in a cyclone that is further downstream. Convective mixing of the boundary layer in the WCB will distribute this enhanced O_3 throughout the lower troposphere and down to the surface (Davies and Shuepbach, 1994; Cooper and Moody, 2000). The net effect is that the DA of one cyclone may feed into the WCB of the system immediately upwind. Similarly, the lofting of warm moist air in the WCB may inject surface emissions into the upper troposphere adjacent to the western side of the subsiding Dry Airstream of the storm system immediately downwind, with subsequent interleaving of these two airstreams (Prados et al., 1999; Parrish et al., 2000; Cooper et al., 2004a,b) as illustrated schematically in Figure AX2-8. The ultimate mixing of these airstreams, which inevitably occurs at a scale that is not resolved by current models confounds our ability to attribute trace gases to their sources.

These studies suggest that both downward transport from the stratosphere and upward transport from the atmospheric boundary layer act in concert with their relative roles determined by the balance between the amount of O_3 in the lower stratosphere and the availability of free radicals to initiate the photochemical processes forming O_3 in the boundary layer. Dickerson et al. (1995) pointed out that springtime maxima in O_3 observed in Bermuda correlate well with maxima in carbon monoxide. Carbon monoxide, O_3 and its photochemical precursors may have been transported into the upper troposphere from the polluted continental boundary layer by deep convection. The photochemical processes involve the buildup of precursors during the winter at Northern mid- and high latitudes. Parrish et al. (1999) have noted that reactions occurring during the colder months may tend to titrate O_3. However, as NO_x and its reservoirs are transported sourthward they can initiate O_3 formation through reactions described in Section AX2.2 (see also Stroud et al., 2003).

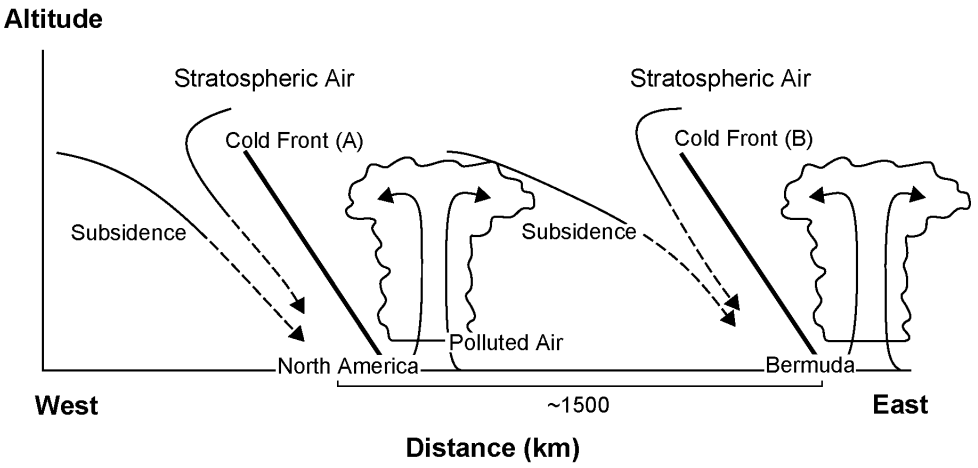

Figure AX2-8. Schematic diagram of a meteorological mechanism involved in high concentrations of O_3 found in spring in the lower troposphere off the American east coast. Subsidence behind the first cold front meets convection ahead of a second cold front such that polluted air and O_3 from the upper troposphere/lower stratosphere are transported in close proximity (or mixed) and advected over the north Atlantic Ocean. The vertical scale is about 10 km; the horizontal scale about 1500 km. (Note that not all cold fronts are associated with squall lines and that mixing occurs even in their absence.)

Source: Prados (2000).

AX2.3.2 Deep Convection in the Troposphere

Much of the upward motion in the troposphere is driven by convergence in the boundary layer and deep convection. Deep convection, as in developing thunderstorms can transport pollutants rapidly to the middle and upper troposphere (Dickerson et al., 1987). The outflow from these systems results in the formation of layers with distinctive chemical properties in the middle troposphere. In addition, layers are formed as the result of stratospheric intrusions. Layers ranging in thickness typically from 0.3 to about 2 km in the middle troposphere (mean altitudes between 5 and 7 km) are ubiquitous and occupy up to 20% of the troposphere to 12 km (Newell et al., 1999). The origin of these layers can be judged by analysis of their chemical composition (typically by comparing ratios of H_2O, O_3 and CO to each other) or dynamical properties (such as potential vorticity). Thus, pollutants that have been transported into the

middle and upper troposphere at one location can then be transported back down into the boundary layer somewhere else.

Crutzen and Gidel (1983), Gidel (1983), and Chatfield and Crutzen (1984) hypothesized that convective clouds played an important role in rapid atmospheric vertical transport of trace species and first tested simple parameterizations of convective transport in atmospheric chemical models. At nearly the same time, evidence was shown of venting of the boundary layer by shallow fair weather cumulus clouds (e.g., Greenhut et al., 1984; Greenhut, 1986). Field experiments were conducted in 1985, which resulted in verification of the hypothesis that deep convective clouds are instrumental in atmospheric transport of trace constituents (Dickerson et al., 1987; Luke et al., 1997). Once pollutants are lofted to the middle and upper troposphere, they typically have a much longer chemical lifetime and with the generally stronger winds at these altitudes they can be transported large distances from their source regions. Photochemical reactions occur during this long-range transport. Pickering et al. (1990) demonstrated that venting of boundary layer pollutants by convective clouds (both shallow and deep) causes enhanced O_3 production in the free troposphere. Therefore, convection aids in the transformation of local pollution into a contribution to global atmospheric pollution. Downdrafts within thunderstorms tend to bring air with less pollution from the middle troposphere into the boundary layer.

Field studies have established that downward transport of larger O_3 and NO_x mixing ratios from the free troposphere to the boundary layer is an important process over the remote oceans (e.g., Piotrowicz et al., 1991), as well as the upward transport of very low O_3 mixing ratios from the boundary layer to the upper troposphere (Kley et al., 1996). Global modeling by Lelieveld and Crutzen (1994) suggests that the downward mixing of O_3 into the boundary layer (where it is destroyed) is the dominant global effect of deep convection. Some indications of downward transport of O_3 from higher altitudes (possibly from the stratosphere) in the anvils of thunderstorms have been observed (Dickerson et al., 1987; Poulida et al., 1996; Suhre et al., 1997). Ozone is most effective as a greenhouse gas in the vicinity of the tropopause. Therefore, changes in the vertical profile of O_3 in the upper troposphere caused by deep convection have important radiative forcing implications for climate.

Other effects of deep convection include perturbations to photolysis rates, which include enhancement of these rates in the upper portion of the thunderstorm anvil. In addition,

thunderstorms are effective in the production of NO by lightning and in wet scavenging of soluble species.

AX2.3.2.1 Observations of the Effects of Convective Transport

Some fraction of shallow fair weather cumulus clouds actively vent boundary layer pollutants to the free troposphere (Stull, 1985). The first airborne observations of this phenomenon were conducted by Greenhut et al. (1984) over a heavily urbanized area, measuring the in-cloud flux of O_3 in a relatively large cumulus cloud. An extension of this work was reported by Greenhut (1986) in which data from over 100 aircraft penetrations of isolated nonprecipitating cumulus clouds over rural and suburban areas were obtained. Ching and Alkezweeny (1986) reported tracer (SF_6) studies associated with nonprecipitating cumulus (fair weather cumulus and cumulus congestus). Their experiments showed that the active cumulus clouds transported mixed layer air upward into the overlying free troposphere and suggested that active cumuli can also induce rapid downward transport from the free troposphere into the mixed layer. A UV-DIAL (Ultraviolet Differential Absorption Lidar) provided space-height cross sections of aerosols and O_3 over North Carolina in a study of cumulus venting reported by Ching et al. (1988). Data collected on evening flights showed regions of cloud debris containing aerosol and O_3 in the lower free troposphere in excess of background, suggesting that significant vertical exchange had taken place during afternoon cumulus cloud activity. Efforts have also been made to estimate the vertical transport by ensembles of nonprecipitating cumulus clouds in regional chemical transport models (e.g., Vukovich and Ching, 1990).

The first unequivocal observations of deep convective transport of boundary layer pollutants to the upper troposphere were documented by Dickerson et al. (1987). Instrumentation aboard three research aircraft measured CO, O_3, NO, NO_x, NO_y, and hydrocarbons in the vicinity of an active mesoscale convective system near the Oklahoma/Arkansas border during the 1985 PRE-STORM experiment. Anvil penetrations about two hours after maturity found greatly enhanced mixing ratios of all of the aforementioned species compared with outside of the cloud. Among the species measured, CO is the best tracer of upward convective transport because it is produced primarily in the boundary layer and has an atmospheric lifetime much longer than the timescale of a thunderstorm. In the observed storm, CO measurements exceeded 160 ppbv as high as 11 km, compared with ~70 ppbv outside of the

cloud (Figure AX2-9a). Cleaner middle tropospheric air appears to have descended in downdrafts forming a pool of lower mixing ratio CO beneath the cloud. Nonmethane hydrocarbons (NMHC) with moderate lifetimes can also serve as tracers of convective transport from the boundary layer. Ozone can also be an indicator of convective transport. In the polluted troposphere large O_3 values will indicate upward transport from the boundary layer, but in the clean atmosphere such values are indicative of downward transport from the uppermost troposphere or lowermost stratosphere. In this case measured O_3 in the upper rear portion of the anvil peaked at 98 ppbv, while boundary layer values were only ~65 ppbv (Figure AX2-9b). It is likely that some higher-O_3 stratospheric air mixed into the anvil.

The large amount of vertical trace gas transport noted by Dickerson et al. (1987) cannot, however, be extrapolated to all convective cells. Pickering et al. (1988) reported airborne measurements of trace gases taken in the vicinity of a line of towering cumulus and cumulonimbus clouds that also occurred during PRE-STORM. In this case trace gas mixing ratios in the tops of these clouds were near ambient levels. Meteorological analyses showed that these clouds were located above a cold front, which prevented entry of air from the boundary layer directly below or near the clouds. Instead, the air entering these clouds likely originated in the layer immediately above the boundary layer which was quite clean. Luke et al. (1992) summarized the air chemistry data from all 18 flights during PRE-STORM by categorizing each case according to synoptic flow patterns. Storms in the maritime tropical flow regime transported large amounts of CO, O_3, and NO_y into the upper troposphere with the midtroposphere remaining relatively clean. During frontal passages a combination of stratiform and convective clouds mixed pollutants more uniformly into the middle and upper levels; high mixing ratios of CO were found at all altitudes.

Prather and Jacob (1997) and Jaeglé et al. (1997) noted that in addition to the primary pollutants (e.g., NO_x, CO, VOCs), precursors of HO_x are also transported to the upper troposphere by deep convection. Precursors of most importance are water vapor, formaldehyde, hydrogen peroxide, methylhydroperoxide, and acetone. HO_x is critical for oxidizing NO to NO_2 in the O_3 production process.

Over remote marine areas the effects of deep convection on trace gas distributions differ from that over moderately polluted continental regions. Chemical measurements taken by the NASA ER-2 aircraft during the Stratosphere-Troposphere Exchange Project (STEP) off the

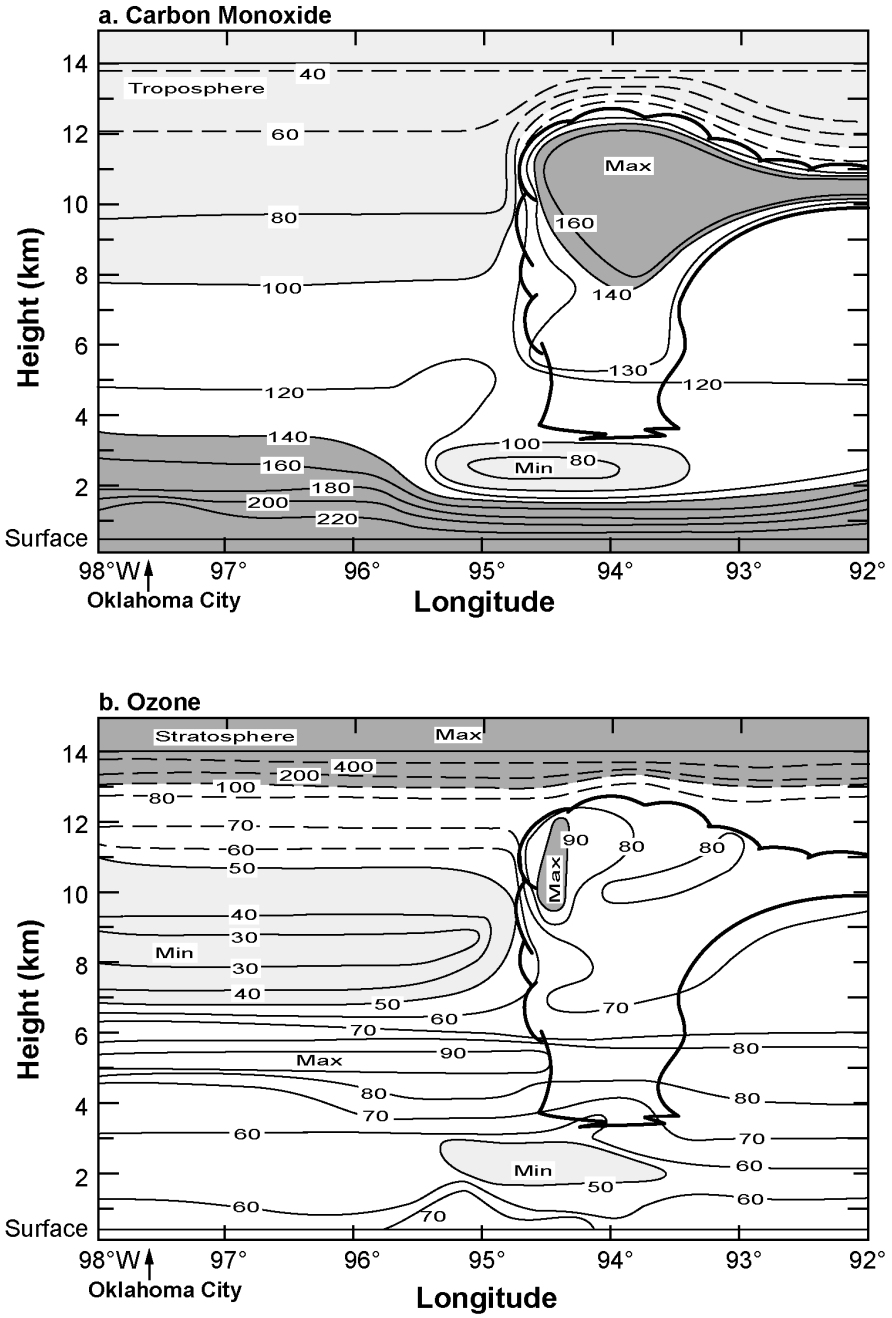

Figure AX2-9a,b. (a) Contour plot of CO mixing ratios (ppbv) observed in and near the June 15, 1985, mesoscale convective complex in eastern Oklahoma. Heavy line shows the outline of the cumulonimbus cloud. Dark shading indicates high CO and light shading indicates low CO. Dashed contour lines are plotted according to climatology since no direct measurements were made in that area. (b) Same as (a) but for O_3 (ppbv).

Source: Dickerson et al. (1987).

northern coast of Australia show the influence of very deep convective events. Between 14.5 and 16.5 km on the February 2 to 3, 1987 flight, perturbations in the chemical profiles were noted that included pronounced maxima in CO, water vapor, and CCN and minima of NO_y, and O_3 (Pickering et al., 1993). Trajectory analysis showed that these air parcels likely were transported from convective cells 800 to 900 km upstream. Very low boundary layer mixing ratios of NO_y and O_3 in this remote region were apparently transported upward in the convection. A similar result was noted in CEPEX (Central Equatorial Pacific Experiment; Kley et al., 1996) where a series of ozonesonde ascents showed very low upper tropospheric O_3 following deep convection. It is likely that similar transport of low-O_3 tropical marine boundary layer air to the upper troposphere occurs in thunderstorms along the east coast of Florida. Convection over the Pacific will likely transport halogens to the upper troposphere where they may aid in the destruction of O_3. This low-O_3 convective outflow will likely descend in the subsidence region of the eastern Pacific, leading to some of the cleanest air that arrives at the west coast of the United States.

AX2.3.2.2 Modeling the Effects of Convection

The effects of deep convection may be simulated using cloud-resolving models, or in regional or global models in which the convection is parameterized. The Goddard Cumulus Ensemble (GCE) model (Tao and Simpson, 1993) has been used by Pickering et al. (1991; 1992a,b; 1993; 1996), Scala et al. (1990) and Stenchikov et al. (1996) in the analysis of convective transport of trace gases. The cloud model is nonhydrostatic and contains detailed representation of cloud microphysical processes. Two and three dimensional versions of the model have been applied in transport analyses. The initial conditions for the model are usually from a sounding of temperature, water vapor and winds representative of the region of storm development. Model-generated wind fields can be used to perform air parcel trajectory analyses and tracer advection calculations. Once transport calculations are performed for O_3 precursors, a 1-D photochemical model was employed to estimate O_3 production rates in the outflow air from the convection. These rates were then compared with those prior to convection to determine an enhancement factor due to convection.

Such methods were used by Pickering et al. (1992b) to examine transport of urban plumes by deep convection. Transport of the Oklahoma City plume by the 10 – 11 June 1985

PRE-STORM squall line was simulated with the 2-D GCE model. In this event forward trajectories from the boundary layer at the leading edge of the storm showed that almost 75% of the low level inflow was transported to altitudes exceeding 8 km. Over 35% of the air parcels reached altitudes over 12 km. Tracer transport calculations were performed for CO, NO_x, O_3, and hydrocarbons. The 3-D version of the GCE model has also been run for the 10 – 11 June 1985 PRE-STORM case. Free tropospheric O_3 production enhancement of a factor of 2.5 for Oklahoma rural air and ~4 for the Oklahoma City case were calculated.

Stenchikov et al. (1996) used the 2-D GCE model to simulate the North Dakota storm observed by Poulida et al. (1996). This storm showed the unusual feature of an anvil formed well within the stratosphere. The increase of CO and water vapor above the altitude of the preconvective tropopause was computed in the model. The total mass of CO across the model domain above this level increased by almost a factor of two during the convective event. VOCs injected into the lower stratosphere could enhance O_3 production there. Downward transport of O_3 from the stratosphere was noted in the simulation in the rear anvil.

Regional estimates of deep convective transport have been made through use of a traveling 1-D model, regional transport models driven by parameterized convective mass fluxes from mesoscale meteorological models, and a statistical-dynamical approach. Pickering et al. (1992c) developed a technique which uses a combination of deep convective cloud cover statistics from the International Satellite Cloud Climatology Project (ISCCP) and convective transport statistics from GCE model simulations of prototype storms to estimate the amount of CO vented from the planetary boundary layer (PBL) by deep convection. This statistical-dynamical approach was used by Thompson et al. (1994) to estimate the convective transport component of the boundary layer CO budget for the central United States (32.5° – 50° N, 90° – 105° W) for the month of June. They found that the net upward deep convective flux (~18×10^5 kg-CO/month) and the shallow convective flux (~16×10^5 kg-CO/month) to the free troposphere accounted for about 80% of the loss of CO from the PBL. These losses roughly balanced horizontal transport of CO (~28×10^5 kg-CO/month), the oxidation of hydrocarbons (~8×10^5 kg-CO/month) and anthropogenic and biogenic emissions (~8 + ~1×10^5 kg-CO/month) into the PBL in the central United States. In this respect the central United States acts as a "chimney" for venting CO and other pollutants.

Regional chemical transport models have been used for applications such as simulations of photochemical O_3 production, acid deposition, and fine particulate matter. Walcek et al. (1990) included a parameterization of cloud-scale aqueous chemistry, scavenging, and vertical mixing in the chemistry model of Chang et al. (1987). The vertical distribution of cloud microphysical properties and the amount of subcloud-layer air lifted to each cloud layer are determined using a simple entrainment hypothesis (Walcek and Taylor, 1986). Vertically-integrated O_3 formation rates over the northeast U.S. were enhanced by ~50% when the in-cloud vertical motions were included in the model.

Wang et al. (1996) simulated the 10 – 11 June 1985 PRE-STORM squall line with the NCAR/Penn State Mesoscale Model (MM5; Grell et al., 1994; Dudhia et al., 1993). Convection was parameterized as a subgrid-scale process in MM5 using the Kain and Fritsch (1993) scheme. Mass fluxes and detrainment profiles from the convective parameterization were used along with the 3-D wind fields in CO tracer transport calculations for this convective event. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has developed a Community Multiscale Air Quality (CMAQ) modeling system that uses MM5 with the Kain-Fritsch convective scheme as the dynamical driver (Ching et al., 1998).

Convective transport in global chemistry and transport models is treated as a subgrid-scale process that is parameterized typically using cloud mass flux information from a general circulation model or global data assimilation system. While GCMs can provide data only for a "typical" year, data assimilation systems can provide "real" day-by-day meteorological conditions, such that CTM output can be compared directly with observations of trace gases. The NASA Goddard Earth Observing System Data Assimilation System (GEOS-1 DAS and successor systems; Schubert et al., 1993; Bloom et al., 1996) provides archived global data sets for the period 1980 to present, at 2° × 2.5° or better resolution with 20 layers or more in the vertical. Convection is parameterized with the Relaxed Arakawa-Schubert scheme (Moorthi and Suarez, 1992). Pickering et al. (1995) showed that the cloud mass fluxes from GEOS-1 DAS are reasonable for the 10 – 11 June 1985 PRE-STORM squall line based on comparisons with the GCE model (cloud-resolving model) simulations of the same storm. In addition, the GEOS-1 DAS cloud mass fluxes compared favorably with the regional estimates of convective transport for the central U.S. presented by Thompson et al. (1994). However, Allen et al. (1997) have

shown that the GEOS-1 DAS overestimates the amount and frequency of convection in the tropics and underestimates the convective activity over midlatitude marine storm tracks.

AX2.3.3 Nocturnal Low-Level Jets

Nocturnal low-level jets (LLJ) are coincident with synoptic weather patterns involved with high O_3 episodes implying that they may play an important role in the formation of severe O_3 events (Rao and Zurbenko, 1994). LLJ can transport pollutants hundreds of kilometers from their sources. Figure AX2-10 shows the evolution of the planetary boundary layer (PBL) over land during periods when high-pressure weather patterns prevail (Stull, 1999). During synoptic weather patterns with stronger zonal flow, a schematic of the boundary layer could look quite different with generally more uniform mixing present. As can be seen from Figure AX2-10, the PBL can be divided into three sublayers: a turbulent mixed layer (typically present during daylight hours), a less turbulent residual layer which occupies space that was formerly the mixed layer, and a nocturnal, stable boundary layer that has periods of sporadic turbulence (Stull, 1999). The LLJ forms in the residual layer. It is important to note, that during the nighttime, the PBL often comprises thin, stratified layers with different physical and chemical properties (Stull, 1988).

At night, during calm conditions, the planetary boundary layer is stably stratified and as a result verticle mixing is inhibited. On cloud-free evenings the LLJ begins to form shortly after sunset. The wedge of cool air in the stable nocturnal boundary layer decouples the surface layer from the residual layer and acts like a smooth surface allowing the air just above it (in the residual layer) to flow rapidly past the inversion mostly unencumbered by surface friction (Stull, 1999). As the sun rises, its energy returns to heat the land and the lower atmosphere begins to mix as the warm air rises. The jet diminishes as the nocturnal temperature inversion erodes and surface friction slows winds speeds. If stable synoptic conditions persist, the same conditions the next night could allow the low-level jet to reform with equal strength and similar consequences. LLJ formation results in vertical wind shear that induces mixing between the otherwise stratified layers.

LLJs are often associated with mountain ranges. Mountains and pressure gradients on either side of a developing LLJ help concentrate the flow of air into a corridor or horizontal stream (Hobbs et al., 1996). Figure AX2-11 shows that LLJs commonly form east of the Rocky

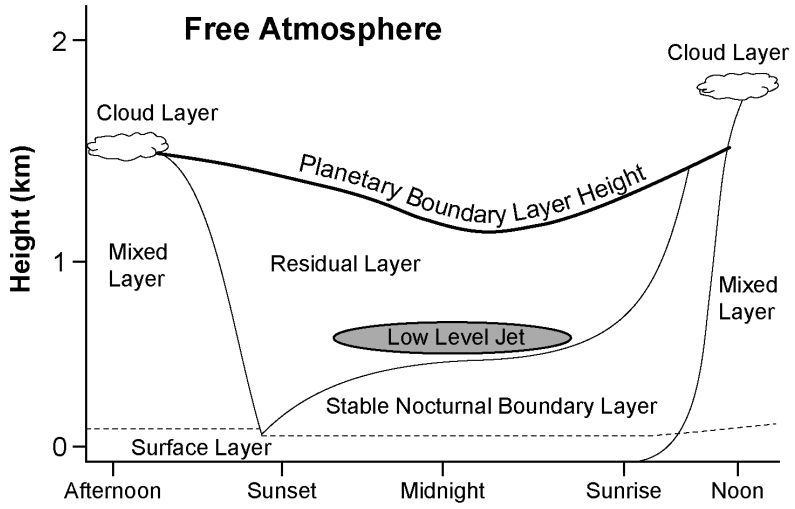

Figure AX2-10. The diurnal evolution of the planetary boundary layer while high pressure prevails over land. Three major layers exist (not including the surface layer): a turbulent mixed layer; a less turbulent residual layer which contains air formerly in the mixed layer; and a nocturnal, stable boundary layer which is characterized by periods of sporadic turbulence.

Source: Adapted from Stull (1999) Figures 1.7 and 1.12.

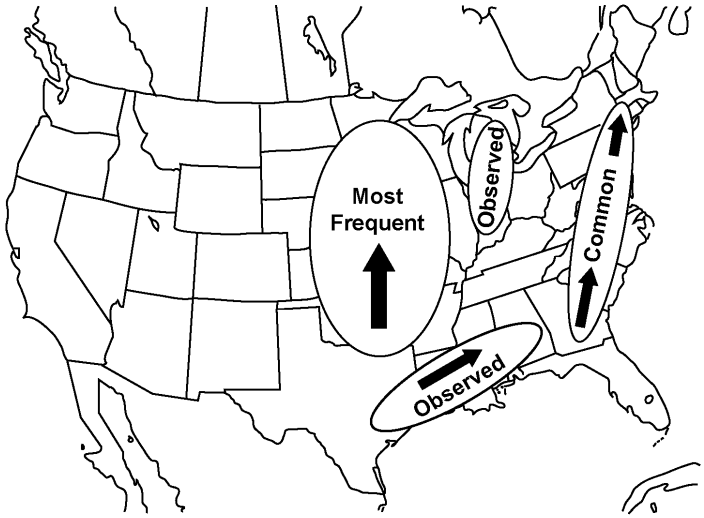

Figure AX2-11. Locations of low-level jet occurrences in decreasing order of prevalence (most frequent, common, observed). These locations are based on 2-years radiosonde data obtained over limited areas. With better data coverage, other low-level jets may well be observed elsewhere in the United States.

Source: Bonner (1968).

Mountains and east of the Appalachian Mountains (Bonner, 1968). There may be other locations in the U.S. where LLJs occur. The width of the jet can vary from location to location and from one weather pattern to another, but is typically less than several hundred km not greater than 1000 km long. In extreme cases, winds in a LLJ can exceed 60 ms^{-1} but average speeds are typically in the range of 10 to 20 ms^{-1}.

Nocturnal low-level jets are not unique to the United States; they have been detected in many other parts of the world (Corsmeier, 1997, Reitebuch, et al., 2000). Corsmeier et al. (1997) observed secondary maxima in surface O_3 at nighttime at a rural site in Germany, supporting the notion that downward transport from the residual layer was occurring. The secondary maxima were, on average, 10% of the next day's O_3 maximum but at times could be as much as 80% of the maximum (Corsmeier et al., 1997). The secondary O_3 maxima were well correlated with an increase in wind speed and wind shear. The increased vertical shear over the very thin layer results in mechanical mixing that leads a downward flux of O_3 from the residual to the near surface layer (see Low-level jets AX2-12 and AX2-13). Analysis of wind profiles from aerological stations in northeastern Germany revealed the spatial extent of that particular LLJ was up to 600 km in length and 200 km in width. The study concluded the importance of O_3 transport by low-level jets was twofold: O_3 and other pollutants could be transported hundreds of kilometers at the jet core level during the night and then mixed to the ground far from their source region. Salmond and McKendry (2002) also observed secondary O_3 maxima (in the Lower Fraser Valley, British Columbia) associated with low-level jets that occasionally exceeded half the previous day's maximum O_3 concentration. The largest increases in surface O_3 concentration occurred when boundary layer turbulence coincided with O_3 levels greater than 80 parts per billion were observed aloft. In addition, the study suggests horizontal transport efficiency during a low-level jet event could be as much as six times greater than transport with light winds without an LLJ. Reitebuch et al. (2000) observed secondary O_3 maxima associated with low-level jet evolution in an urban area in Germany. The notion that O_3 was transported downward from the residual layer to the surface was supported by observed decreases in concentrations of NO, NO_2 and CO in the residual layer during secondary O_3 maxima. Unlike O_3 in the residual layer, concentrations of NO, NO_2, and CO should be lower than those found

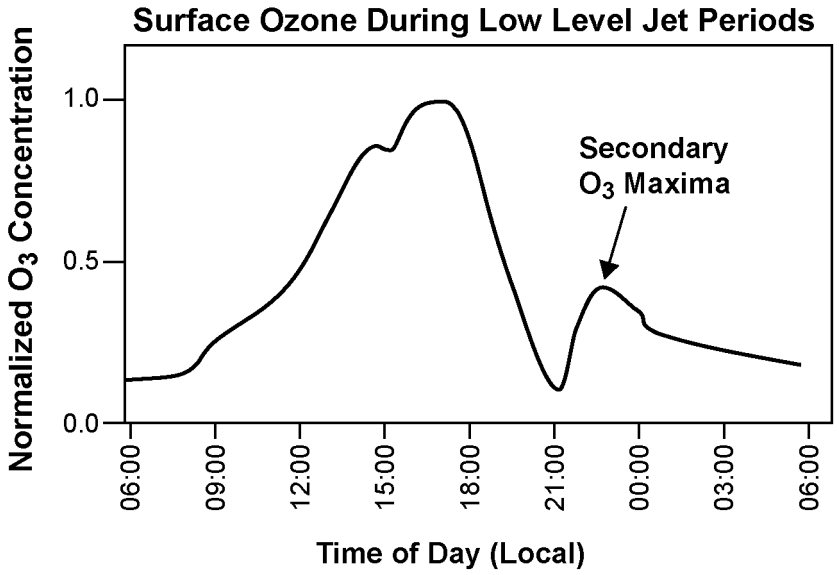

Figure AX2-12. Schematic diagram showing the diurnal behavior of O_3 and the development of secondary O_3 maxima resulting from downward transport from the residual layer when a low-level jet is present.

Source: Adapted from Reitbuch et al. (2000); Corsmeier et al. (1997); and Salmond and McKendry (2002).

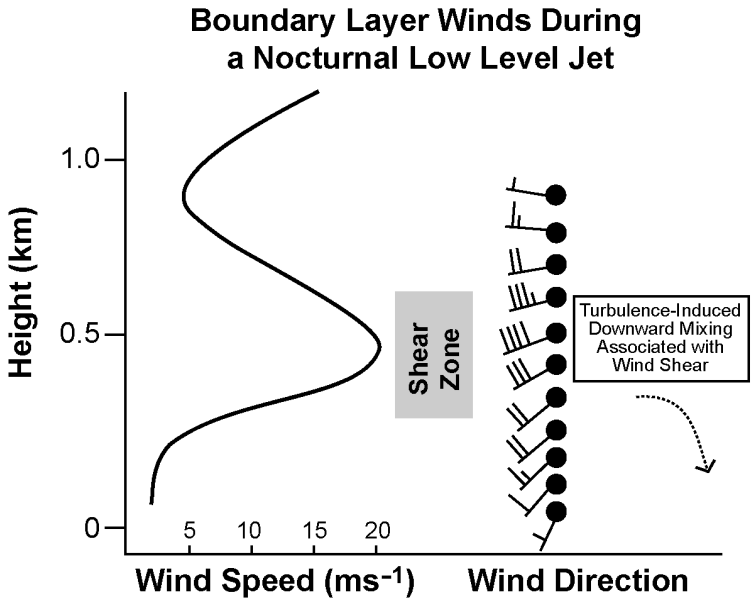

Figure AX2-13. The nocturnal low-level jet occupies a thin slice of the atmosphere near the Earth's surface. Abrupt changes in wind speed and wind direction with height associated with the low-level jet create conditions favorable for downward transport of air to the surface layer.

Source: Singh et al. (1997); Corsmeier et al. (1997).

nearer the surface (Reitebuch et al., 2000; Seinfeld and Pandis, 1998). As in other studies, wind speed and directional shear were detected during these events. Calculations of the average wind speed and duration of the LLJ suggested that pollutants were transported several hundred kilometers. A study of the PBL and the vertical structure of O_3 observed at a costal site in Nova Scotia described how temperature and differences of surface roughness in a marine environment can induce LLJ formation and pollution transport (Gong et al., 2000). In this case, rather strong horizontal sea surface temperature gradients provided the necessary baroclinic forcing.

While the studies mentioned above have shed light on the possible role of the LLJ in the transport of O_3 and its precursors, quantitative statements about the significance of the LLJ in affecting local and regional O_3 budgets can not yet be made. This inability reflects the lack of available data for wind profiles in the planetary boundary layer in areas where LLJ are likely to occur and because of the inadequacy of numerical models in simulating their occurrence.

AX2.3.4 Intercontinental Transport of Ozone and Other Pollutants

AX2.3.4.1 The Atmosphere/Ocean Chemistry Experiment, AEROCE

The AEROCE experiment, initiated in the early 1990s set out to examine systematically the chemistry and meteorology leading to the trace gas and aerosol composition over the North Atlantic Ocean. One particular focus area was to determine the relative contribution of anthropogenic and natural processes to the O_3 budget and oxidizing capacity of the troposphere over the North Atlantic Ocean. Early results using isentropic back trajectories suggested that periodic pulses of O_3 mixing ratios up to 80 ppb were associated with large-scale subsidence from the mid-troposphere, favoring a natural source (Oltmans and Levy, 1992). Moody et al. (1995) extended this work with a five-year seasonal climatology and found the highest concentrations of O_3 were always associated with synoptic scale post-frontal subsidence off the North American continent behind cold fronts, and this pattern was most pronounced in the April-May time frame. These post-frontal air masses had uniformly low humidity and high concentrations of ^{7}Be, a cosmogenic tracer produced in the upper troposphere and lower stratosphere. However, the pulsed occurrence of these postfrontal air masses also frequently delivered enhanced concentrations of species such as $SO_4^{=}$, NO_3^{-}, ^{210}Pb, etc. suggesting a component originating in North America. In a subsequent analysis of data from one year (1992) when CO observations were available, Dickerson et al. (1995) concluded that anthropogenic

sources made a significant contribution to surface O_3, and using a simple mixing model they determined that 57% of the air had a continental boundary layer origin.

Based on these observations of the synoptically modulated concentrations, AEROCE conducted an aircraft and ozonesonde intensive in the spring of 1996. The intention was to adopt a meteorologically informed sampling strategy to clearly distinguish the characteristics of air masses ahead of and behind eastward progressing cold fronts. Sixteen research flights were conducted with the University of Wyoming King Air research aircraft. The goal was to differentiate the sources of enhanced O_3 mixing ratios observed on Bermuda after the passage of cold fronts, and to identify the major processes controlling the highly variable O_3 mixing ratios in the mid-to-upper troposphere over eastern North America and the North Atlantic Ocean during April and May. In addition to aircraft flights, near-daily ozonesondes were launched in a quasi-zonal transect from Purdue, Indiana, to Charlottesville, Virginia to Bermuda. An effort was made to time the release of ozonesondes to cleanly differentiate pre and post-frontal air masses.

In several aircraft flights, the presence at altitude of distinct layers of air with elevated concentrations of nonmethane hydrocarbons (NMHCs) attested to the dynamic vertical mixing associated with springtime frontal activity. Layers of mid-tropospheric air of high O_3 (140 ppb) and low background NMHC mixing ratios (1.44 ppbv ethane, 0.034 ppbv propene, 0.247 ppbv propane, and 0.034 ppbv isobutene, 0.041 ppbv n-butane, 0.063 ppbv benzene, 0.038 ppbv toluene) were indicative of descending, stratospherically influenced air on a flight to the east of Norfolk, VA on April 24 (alt 4600m). However layers of elevated NMHC concentrations (1.88 ppbv ethane, 0.092 ppbv propene, 0.398 ppbv propane, 0.063 ppbv isobutene, 0.075 ppbv n-butane, 0.106 ppbv benzene, 0.0102 ppbv toluene) occurred along with 60-70 ppbv of O_3 on a flight west of Bermuda April 28 (alt. 4100m), indicating air had been lofted from the continental boundary layer. Meteorological evidence, supported by ozonesonde observations and earlier King Air flights, indicated that stratosphere/troposphere exchange associated with an upstream frontal system had injected and advected dry, O_3-rich air into the mid-troposhere region over the continent. This subsiding air mass provided deep layers of enhanced O_3 in the offshore, postfrontal area. Convection from a developing (upwind) system lifted continental boundary layer air into the proximity of the dry, subsiding air layer (Prados, et al., 1999). This resulted in a mixture of high concentrations of anthropogenic pollutants along with naturally enhanced O_3.

Ozone mixing ratios exceeded those attributable to boundary layer venting or in-transit photochemical production. These meteorological processes led to pollution and stratospherically enhanced O_3 co-occurring in post-frontal air masses over the North Atlantic Ocean. A similar event in February 1999 was observed by Parrish et al. (2000). It confirmed the occurrence of thin layers of anthropogenic and stratospheric air that subsequently mix. These results, along with recent modeling studies suggest that North American pollution clearly does contribute to the periodic influx of less-than-pristine air observed in the marine boundary layer over Bermuda (e.g., Li et al., 2002) and yet these incursions are not inconsistent with observing enhancements in O_3 due to stratospheric exchange.

The ozonesonde climatology of AEROCE clearly established that O_3 mixing ratios were always enhanced and increased with height in post-frontal air masses. Postfrontal O_3 in the lower troposphere over Bermuda originates in the postfrontal midtroposphere over the continent, supporting the hypothesis that naturally occurring stratospheric O_3 makes a contribution to air in the marine boundary layer (Cooper et al., 1998). A schematic of the meteorological processes responsible for the close proximity of natural and man-made O_3 can be seen in Figure AX2-8 from Prados (2000). Cold fronts over North America tend to be linked in wave-like patterns such that the subsidence behind one front may occur above with intrusions of convection ahead of the next cold front. Pollutants, including VOC and NOx, precursors to O_3, may be lofted into the mid-to-upper troposphere where they have the potential to mix with layers of air descending from O_3-rich but relatively unpolluted upper troposphere and lower stratosphere. Through this complex mechanism, both stratospheric and photochemically produced O_3 may be transported to the remote marine environment where they have large-scale impacts on the radiative and chemical properties of the atmosphere. Recent three-dimensional modeling studies of air mass motion over the Pacific provide further evidence that these complex mechanisms are indeed active (Cooper et al., 2004b).

AX2.3.4.2 The North Atlantic Regional Experiment, NARE

NARE was established by the International Global Atmospheric Chemistry Project to study the chemical processes occurring in the marine troposphere of the North Atlantic, the marine region expected to be the most impacted by industrial emissions from eastern North America and western Europe. Surface measurements from several surface sites were initiated in 1991, with

major field intensives in summer 1993, spring 1996, early autumn 1997 and a few winter flights in 1999. In the summer of 1993, airborne and ground-based measurements of O_3 and O_3 precursors were made in the North Atlantic region by an international team of scientists to determine how the continents that rim the North Atlantic are affecting atmospheric composition on a hemispheric scale (Fehsenfeld et al., 1996a; Fehsenfeld et al., 1996b). The focus of NARE was to investigate the O_3 budget of the North Atlantic region. Previous observations indicated that the O_3 produced from anthropogenic sources is greater than that reaching the lower troposphere from the stratosphere and that O_3 derived from anthropogenic pollution has a hemisphere wide effect at northern mid latitudes. This study was performed to better quantify the contribution of continental sources to the O_3 levels over the North Atlantic.

Buhr et al. (1996) measured O_3, CO, NO, and NO_y as well as meteorological parameters aboard the NCAR King Air in August 1993 during 16 flights over and near the Gulf of Maine. They found that O_3 produced from anthropogenic precursors was dominant throughout the experimental region below 1500 m, in altitude.

The National Research Council of Canada Twin Otter aircraft was used to measure the O_3 and related compounds in the summertime atmosphere over southern Nova Scotia (Kleinman et al., 1996a; Kleinman et al., 1996b). Forty-eight flights were performed, primarily over the surface sampling site in Chebogue Point, Nova Scotia, or over the Atlantic Ocean. They found that a wide variety of air masses with varying chemical content impact Nova Scotia. The effect depends on flow conditions relative to the locations of upwind emission regions and the degree of photochemical processing associated with transport times ranging from about 1 – 5 d. Moist continental boundary layer air with high concentrations of O_3 and other anthropogenic pollutants was advected to Nova Scotia in relatively thin vertical layers, usually with a base altitude of several hundred meters. Dry air masses with high concentrations of O_3 often had mixed boundary layer and upper atmosphere source regions. When a moist and dry air mass with the same photochemical age and O_3 concentration were compared, the dry air mass had lower concentrations of NO_y and aerosol particles, which was interpreted as evidence for the selective removal of soluble constituents during vertical lifting.

Due to strong, low-level temperature inversions over the North Atlantic, near surface air is often unrepresentative of the eastward transport of the North American plume because of a decoupling from the air transported aloft (Kleinman et al., 1996a; Daum et al., 1996; Angervine

et al., 1996). Pollution plumes were observed in distinct strata up to 1 km. Plume chemical compositions were consistent with the occurrence of considerable photochemical processing during transit from source regions over the eastern seaboard of the U.S. Ozone concentrations reached 150 ppbv, NO_x conversion to its oxidation products exceeded 85%, and high hydrogen peroxide concentrations were observed (median 3.6 ppbv, maximum 11 ppbv). CO and O_3 concentrations were well correlated ($R^2 = 0.64$) with a slope (0.26) similar to previous measurements in photochemically aged air (Parrish et al., 1998). Ozone depended nonlinearly on the NO_x oxidation product concentration, but there was a correlation ($r^2 = 0.73$) found between O_3 and the concentration of radical sink species as represented by the quantity $((NO_y - NO_x) + 2H_2O_2)$.

Banic et al. (1996) determined that the average mass of O_3 transported through an area 1 m in horizontal extent and 5 km in the vertical over the ocean near Nova Scotia to be 2.8 g s^{-1}, moving from west to east. Anthropogenic O_3 accounted for half of the transport below 1 km, 35 to 50% from 1 to 3 km, 25 to 50% from 3 to 4 km, and only 10% from 4 to 5 km. Merrill and Moody (1996) analyzed the meteorological conditions during the NARE intensive period (August 1 to September 13, 1993). They determined the ideal meteorological scenario for delivering pollution plumes from the U.S. East Coast urban areas over the Gulf of Maine to the Maritime Provinces of Canada to be warm sector flow ahead of an advancing cold front. In the winter phase of NARE, O_3 and CO were measured from the NOAA WP-3D Orion aircraft from St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada, and Keflavik, Iceland, from February 2 to 25, 1999 (Parrish et al., 2000). In the lower troposphere over the western North Atlantic Ocean, the close proximity of air masses with contrasting source signatures was remarkable. High levels of anthropogenic pollution immediately adjacent to elevated O_3 of stratospheric origin were observed, similar to those reported by Prados et al. (1999). In air masses with differing amounts of anthropogenic pollution, O_3 was negatively correlated with CO, which indicates that emissions from surface anthropogenic sources had reduced O_3, in this wintertime period, even in air masses transported into the free troposphere.

The influence of the origin and evolution of airstreams on trace gas mixing ratios has been studied in great detail for NARE aircraft data. The typical midlatitude cyclone is composed of four major component airstreams, the warm conveyor belt, the cold conveyor belt, the post cold-front airstream and the dry airstream (Cooper et al., 2001). The physical and chemical

processing of trace species was characterized for each airstream, and a conceptual model of a midlatitude cyclones was developed (Cooper et al., 2002a). This showed how airstreams within midlatitude cyclones drew and exported trace gases from the polluted continental boundary layer, and the stratospherically enhanced mid-troposphere. Using back trajectories, airstream composition was related to the origin and transport history of the associated air mass. The lowest O_3 values were associated with airstreams originating in Canada or the Atlantic Ocean marine boundary layer; the highest O_3 values were associated with airstreams of recent stratospheric origin. The highest NO_y values were seen in polluted outflow from New England in the lower troposphere. A steep and positive O_3/NO_y slope was found for all airstreams in the free troposphere regardless of air mass origin. Finally, the seasonal variation of photochemistry and meteorology and their impact on trace gas mixing ratios in the conceptual cyclone model was determined (Cooper et al., 2002b). Using a positive O_3/CO slope as an indicator of photochemical O_3 production, O_3 production during late summer-early autumn is associated with the lower troposphere post-cold-front airstream and all levels of the WCB, especially the lower troposphere. However, in the early spring, there is no significant photochemical O_3 production for airstreams at any level, and negative slopes in the dry air airstream indicate STE causes the O_3 increase in the mid- and upper troposphere.

Stohl et al. (2002) analyzed total odd nitrogen (NO_y) and CO data taken during NARE in spring 1996 and fall 1997. They studied the removal timescales of NO_y originating from surface emissions of NO_x and what fraction reached the free troposphere. NO_x limits O_3 production in the free troposphere and can be regenerated from NO_y after the primary NOx has been exhausted. It was determined that < 50% of the NO_y observed above 3 km came from anthropogenic surface emissions. The rest had to have been emitted in situ.

Several studies (e.g., Stohl and Trickl, 1999; Brunner et al., 1998; Schumann et al., 2000; Stohl et al., 2003; Traub et al., 2003) have identified plumes that have originated in North America over Europe and over the eastern Mediterranean basin (e.g., Roelofs et al., 2003; Traub et al., 2003). Modeling studies indicate that North American emissions contribute roughly 20% to European CO levels and 2 to 4 ppb to surface O_3, on average. Episodic events, such as forest fires in North America have also been found to result in elevated CO and O_3 levels and visible haze layers in Europe (Volz-Thomas, et al., 2003). The O_3 is either transported from North America or formed during transport across the North Atlantic Ocean, perhaps as the result of

interactions between the photochemical degradation products of acetone with emissions of NO_x from aircraft (Bruhl et al., 2000; Arnold et al., 1997). In addition, North American and European pollution is exported to the Arctic. Eckhardt et al. (2003) show that this transport is related to the phase of the North Atlantic Oscillation which has a period of about 20 years.

AX2.3.5 The Relation of Ozone to Solar Ultraviolet Radiation, Aerosols, and Air Temperature

AX2.3.5.1 Solar Ultraviolet Radiation and Ozone

The effects of sunlight on photochemical oxidant formation, aside from the role of solar radiation in meteorological processes, are related to its intensity and its spectral distribution. Intensity varies diurnally, seasonally, and with latitude, but the effect of latitude is strong only in the winter. Ultraviolet radiation from the sun plays a key role in initiating the photochemical processes leading to O_3 formation and affects individual photolytic reaction steps. However, there is little empirical evidence in the literature, directly linking day-to-day variations in observed UV radiation levels with variations in O_3 levels.

In urban environments the rate of O_3 formation is sensitive to the rate of photolysis of several species including H_2CO, H_2O_2, O_3, and especially NO_2. Monte Carlo calculations suggest that model calculations of photochemical O_3 production are most sensitive to uncertainty in the photolysis rate coefficient for NO_2 (Thompson and Stewart, 1991; Baumann et al., 2000). The International Photolysis Frequency Measurement and Modeling Intercomparison (IPMMI) hosted recently by NCAR in Boulder, CO brought together more than 40 investigators from 8 institutions from around the world (Bais et al., 2003; Cantrell et al., 2003 and Shetter et al., 2003). They compared direct actinometric measurements, radiometric measurements, and numerical models of photolysis rate coefficients, focusing on O_3 to $O(^1D)$ and NO_2, referred to as $j(O_3)$ and $j(NO_2)$.

The combination of direct measurements and comparisons to model calculations indicated that for clear skies, zenith angles less than 70°, and low aerosol loadings, the absolute value of the $j(NO_2)$ at the Earth's surface is known to better than 10% with 95% confidence. The results suggest that the cross sections of Harder et al. (1997a) may yield more accurate values when used in model calculations of $j(NO_2)$. Many numerical models agreed among themselves and with direct measurements (actinometers) and semi-direct measurements (radiometers) when

using ATLAS extraterrestrial flux from Groebner and Kerr (2001). The results of IPMMI indicate numerical models are capable of precise calculation of photolysis rates at the surface and that uncertainties in calculated chemical fields arise primarily from uncertainties in the variation of actinic flux with altitude in addition to the impact of clouds and aerosols on radiation.

AX2.3.5.2 Impact of Aerosols on Radiation and Photolysis Rates and Atmospheric Stability

Because aerosol particles influence the UV flux there is a physical link between particles and gases that depends on the concentration, distribution, and refractive index of the particles. Scattering of UV radiation by tropospheric aerosol particles can strongly impact photolysis rates and thus photochemical O_3 production or destruction. The effect shows high sensitivity to the properties of the aerosol. Particles in the boundary layer can accelerate photochemistry if the single scattering albedo is near unity, such as for sulfate and ammoniated sulfate aerosols, or inhibit O_3 production if the single scattering albedo is low, such as for mineral dust or soot (Dickerson et al., 1997; Jacobson, 1998; Liao et al., 1999; Castro et al., 2001; Park et al., 2001). Any aerosol layer in the free troposphere will reduce photolysis rates in the boundary layer.

The interaction of aerosols, photochemistry, and atmospheric thermodynamic processes can impact radiative transport, cloud microphysics, and atmospheric stability with respect to vertical mixing. Park et al. (2001) developed a single-column chemical transport model that simulates vertical transport by convection, turbulent mixing, photochemistry, and interactive calculations of radiative fluxes and photolysis rates. Results from simulations of an episode over the eastern United States showed strong sensitivity to convective mixing and aerosol optical depth. The aerosol optical properties observed during the episode produced a surface cooling of up to 120 W/m^2 and stabilized the atmosphere suppressing convection. This suggests two possible feedbacks mechanisms between aerosols and O_3–reduced vertical mixing would tend to increase the severity of O_3 episodes, while reduced surface temperatures would decrease it.

AX2.3.5.3 Temperature and Ozone

An association between surface O_3 concentrations and temperature has been demonstrated from measurements in outdoor smog chambers and from measurements in ambient air. Numerous ambient studies done over more than a decade have reported that successive

occurrences or episodes of high temperatures characterize high O_3 years (Clark and Karl, 1982; Kelly et al., 1986). The relation of daily maximum 8-h average O_3 concentration to daily maximum temperature from May to September 1994 to 2004 is illustrated in Figure AX2-14 for the Baltimore Air Quality Forecast Area. The relation, based on daily maximum 1-h average O_3 concentration is illustrated in Figure AX2-15. The relations are very similar in the two figures, reflecting the high degree of correlation (r = 0.98) between the daily maximum 1-h and 8-h O_3 concentrations. The relation of daily maximum 8-h average O_3 to daily maximum temperature from May to September 1994 to 2004 is illustrated in Figure AX2-15 for the three sites downwind of Phoenix, AZ on high O_3 days (cf., Figure AX3-32). As can be seen from a comparison of Figures AX2-14 and AX2-16, O_3 concentrations in the Phoenix area are not as well correlated with daily maximum temperature (r = 0.14) as they are in the Baltimore Area (r = 0.74). There appears to be an upper-bound on O_3 concentrations that increases with temperature. Likewise, Figure AX2-16 shows that a similar qualitative relationship exists between O_3 and temperature even at a number of nonurban locations.

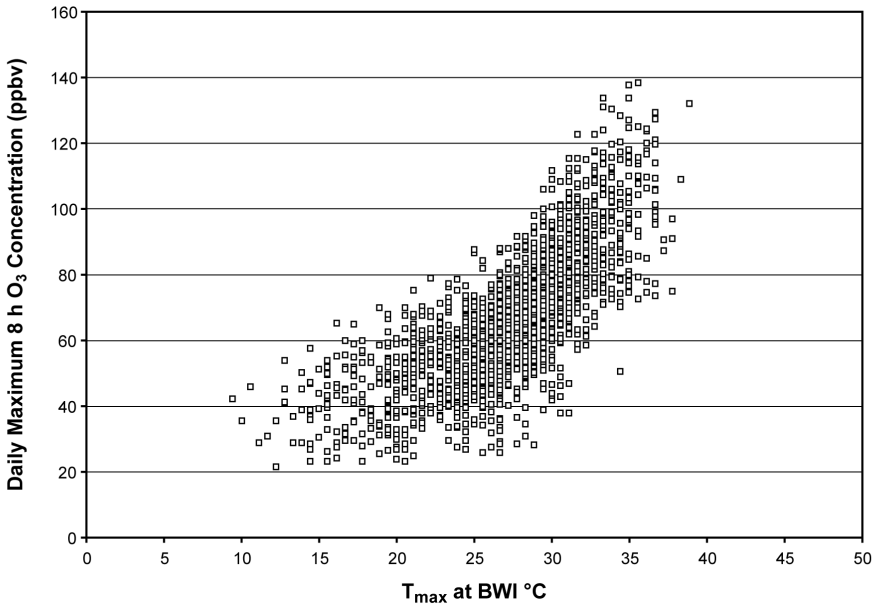

Figure AX2-14. A scatter plot of daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentration versus daily maximum temperature in the Baltimore, MD Air Quality Forecast Area.

Source: Piety (2005)

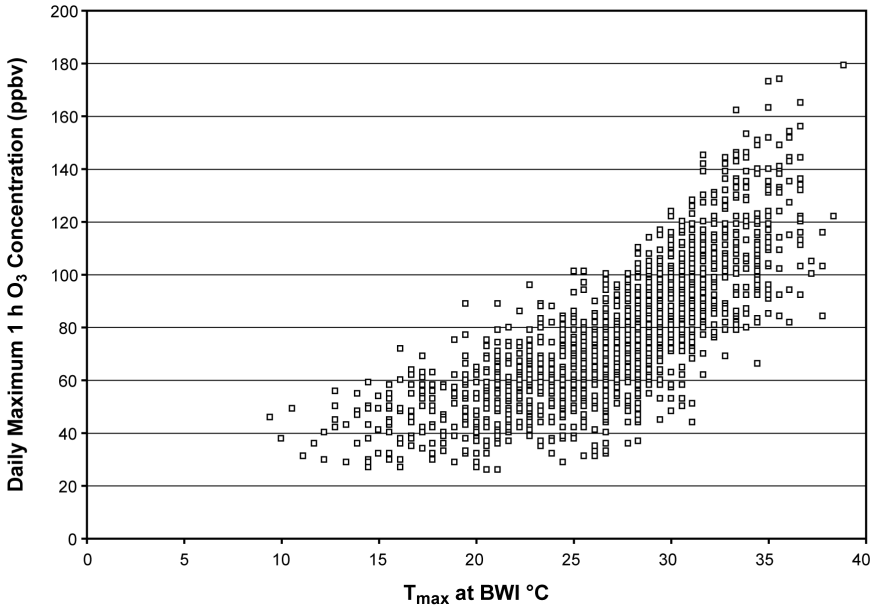

Figure AX2-15. A scatter plot of daily maximum 1-h average O_3 concentration versus daily maximum temperature in the Baltimore, MD Air Quality Forecast Area.

Source: Piety (2005)

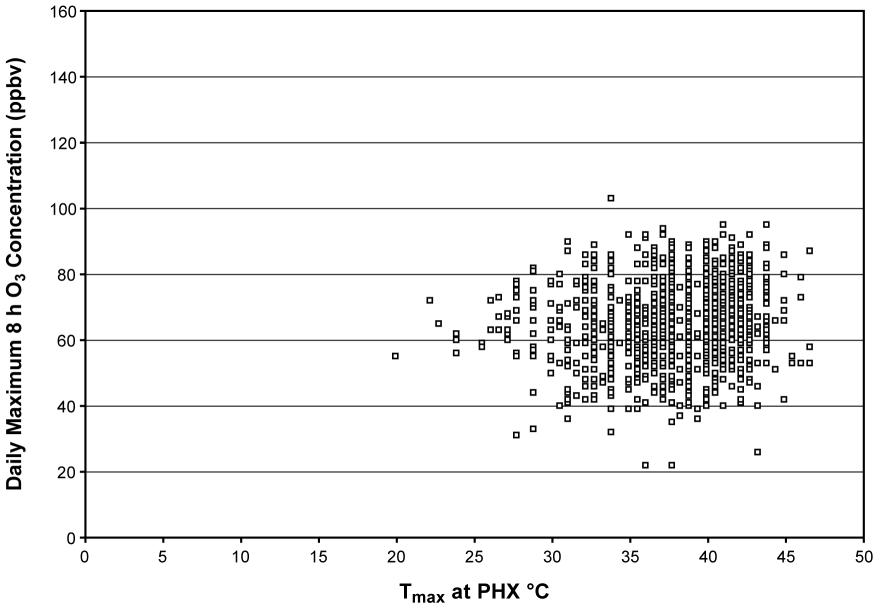

Figure AX2-16. A scatter plot of daily maximum 8-h average O_3 concentrations versus daily maximum temperature downwind of Phoenix, AZ.

Source: Piety (2005)

The notable trend in these plots is the apparent upper-bound to O_3 concentrations as a function of temperature. It is clear that, at a given temperature, there is a wide range of possible O_3 concentrations because other factors (e.g., cloudiness, precipitation, wind speed) can reduce O_3 production rates. The upper edge of the curves may represent a practical upper bound on the maximum O_3 concentration achieved under the most favorable conditions. Relationships between peak O_3 and temperature also have been recorded by Wunderli and Gehrig (1991) for three locations in Switzerland. At two sites near Zurich, peak O_3 increased 3 to 5 ppb/°C for diurnal average temperatures between 10 and 25 °C, and little change in peak O_3 occurred for temperatures below 10 °C. At the third site, a high-altitude location removed from anthropogenic influence, a much smaller variation of O_3 with temperature was observed.

Some possible explanations for the correlation of O_3 with temperature include:

(1) Increased photolysis rates under meterological conditions associated with higher temperatures;

(2) Increased H_2O concentrations with higher temperatures as this will lead to greater OH production via R(2-6);

(3) Enhanced thermal decomposition of PAN and similar compounds to release NO_x at higher temperatures;

(4) Increase of anthropogenic hydrocarbon (e.g., evaporative losses) emissions or NO_x, emissions with temperature or both;

(5) Increase of natural hydrocarbon emissions (e.g., isoprene) with temperature; and

(6) Relationships between high temperatures and stagnant circulation patterns.

(7) Advection of warm air enriched with O_3.

Cardelino and Chameides (1990) and Sillman and Samson (1995) both identified the temperature-dependent thermal decomposition of PAN as the primary cause of the observed O_3-temperature relationship. When temperatures are low PAN is relatively stable. Formation of PAN represents a significant sink for NO_x (in low NO_x rural areas) and radicals (in high NO_x urban areas). This has the effect of slowing the rate of O_3 production. Sillman and Samson found that the impact of the PAN decomposition rate could explain roughly half of the observed correlation between O_3 and temperature. Jacob et al. (1993) found that warm events in summer in the United States were likely to occur during stagnant meteorological conditions, and the concurrence between warm temperatures and meteorological stagnation also explained roughly

half of the observed O_3-temperature correlation. Other possible causes include higher solar radiation during summer, the strong correlation between biogenic emission of isoprene and temperature, and the somewhat weaker tendency for increased anthropogenic emissions coinciding with warmer temperatures.

However, it should also be noted that a high correlation of O_3 with temperature does not necessarily imply a causal relation. Extreme episodes of high temperatures (a heat wave) are often multiday events — high O_3 episodes are also multiday events, concentrations build, temperatures rise, but both are being influenced by larger-scale regional or synoptic meteorological conditions. It also seems apparent, that while there is a trend for higher O_3 associated with higher temperatures, there is also much greater variance in the range of O_3 mixing ratios at higher temperatures.

AX2.4 THE RELATION OF OZONE TO ITS PRECURSORS AND OTHER OXIDANTS

Ozone is unlike many other species whose rates of formation vary directly with the emissions of their precursors. Ozone changes in a nonlinear fashion with the concentrations of its precursors. At the low NO_x concentrations found in most environments, ranging from remote continental areas to rural and suburban areas downwind of urban centers the net production of O_3 increases with increasing NO_x. At the high NO_x concentrations found in downtown metropolitan areas, especially near busy streets and roadways, and in power plant plumes there is net destruction (titration) of O_3 by reaction with NO. In between these two regimes there is a transition stage in which O_3 shows only a weak dependence on NO_x concentrations. In the high NO_x regime, NO_2 scavenges OH radicals which would otherwise oxidize VOCs to produce peroxy radicals, which in turn would oxidize NO to NO_2. In the low NO_x regime, the oxidation of VOCs generates, or at least does not consume, free radicals and O_3 production varies directly with NO_x. Sometimes the terms VOC limited and NO_x limited are used to describe these two regimes. However, there are difficulties with this usage because (1) VOC measurements are not as abundant as they are for nitrogen oxides, (2) rate coefficients for reaction of individual VOCs with free radicals vary over an extremely wide range, and (3) consideration is not given to CO nor to reactions that can produce free radicals without invoking VOCs. The terms NO_x-limited

and NO_x-saturated (e.g., Jaegle et al., 2001) will be used wherever possible to describe these two regimes more adequately. However, the terminology used in original articles will also be kept. The chemistry of OH radicals, which are responsible for initiating the oxidation of hydrocarbons, shows behavior similar to that for O_3 with respect to NO_x concentrations (Hameed et al., 1979; Pinto et al., 1993; Poppe et al., 1993; Zimmerman and Poppe, 1993). These considerations introduce a high degree of uncertainty into attempts to relate changes in O_3 concentrations to emissions of precursors.

Various analytical techniques have been proposed that use ambient NO_x and VOC measurements to derive information about O_3 production and O_3-NO_x-VOC sensitivity. It has been suggested that O_3 formation in individual urban areas could be understood in terms of measurements of ambient NO_x and VOC concentrations during the early morning (e.g., National Research Council, 1991). In this approach, the ratio of summed (unweighted by chemical reactivity) VOC to NO_x is used to determine whether conditions were NO_x-sensitive or VOC sensitive. This procedure is inadequate because it omits many factors that are recognized as important for O_3 production: the impact of biogenic VOCs (which are not present in urban centers during early morning); important individual differences in the ability of VOCs to generate free radicals (rather than just total VOC) and other differences in O_3 forming potential for individual VOCs (Carter, 1995); the impact of multiday transport; and general changes in photochemistry as air moves downwind from urban areas (Milford et al., 1994).

Jacob et al. (1995) used a combination of field measurements and a chemistry-transport model (CTM) to show that the formation of O_3 changed from NO_x-limited to NO_x-saturated as the season changed from summer to fall at a monitoring site in Shenandoah National Park, VA. Photochemical production of O_3 generally occurs simultaneously with the production of various other species: nitric acid (HNO_3), organic nitrates, and hydrogen peroxide. The relative rate of production of O_3 and other species varies depending on photochemical conditions, and can be used to provide information about O_3-precursor sensitivity.

There are no hard and fast rules governing the levels of NO_x at which the transition from NO_x-limited to NO_x-saturated conditions occurs. The transition between these two regimes is highly spatially and temporally dependent. Similar responses to NO_x additions from commercial aircraft have also been found for the upper troposphere (Bruhl et al., 2000). Bruhl et al. (2000) found that the NO_x levels for O_3 production versus loss are highly sensitive to the radical sources

included in model calculations. They found that the inclusion of only CH_4 and CO oxidation leads to a decrease in net O_3 production in the North Atlantic flight corridor due to NO emissions from aircraft. However, the inclusion of acetone photolysis was found to shift the maximum in O_3 production to higher NO_x mixing ratios, thereby reducing or eliminating areas in which there is a decrease in O_3 production rates due to aircraft emissions.

Trainer et al. (1993) suggested that the slope of the regression line between O_3 and summed NO_x oxidation products (NO_z, equal to the difference between measured total reactive nitrogen, NO_y, and NO_x) can be used to estimate the rate of O_3 production per NO_x (also known as the O_3 production efficiency, or OPE). Ryerson et al. (1998, 2001) used measured correlations between O_3 and NO_z to identify different rates of O_3 production in plumes from large point sources.

Sillman (1995) and Sillman and He (2002) identified several secondary reaction products that show different correlation patterns for NO_x-limited conditions and NO_x-saturated conditions. The most important correlations are for O_3 versus NO_y, O_3 versus NO_z, O_3 versus HNO_3, and H_2O_2 versus HNO_3. The correlations between O_3 and NO_y, and O_3 and NO_z are especially important because measurements of NO_y and NO_x are widely available. Measured O_3 versus NO_z (Figure AX2-17) shows distinctly different patterns in different locations. In rural areas and in urban areas such as Nashville, TN, O_3 shows a strong correlation with NO_z and a relatively steep slope to the regression line. By contrast, in Los Angeles O_3 also increases with NO_z, but the rate of increase of O_3 with NO_z is lower and the O_3 concentrations for a given NO_z value are generally lower.

The difference between NO_x-limited and NO_x-saturated regimes is also reflected in measurements of hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2). Hydrogen peroxide production is highly sensitive to the abundance of free radicals and is thus favored in the NO_x-limited regime, typical of summer conditions. Differences between these two regimes are also related to the preferential formation of sulfate during summer and to the inhibition of sulfate and hydrogen peroxide during winter (Stein and Lamb, 2003). Measurements in the rural eastern United States (Jacob et al., 1995) Nashville (Sillman et al., 1998), and Los Angeles (Sakugawa and Kaplan, 1989) show large differences in H_2O_2 concentrations between likely NO_x-limited and NO_x-saturated locations.

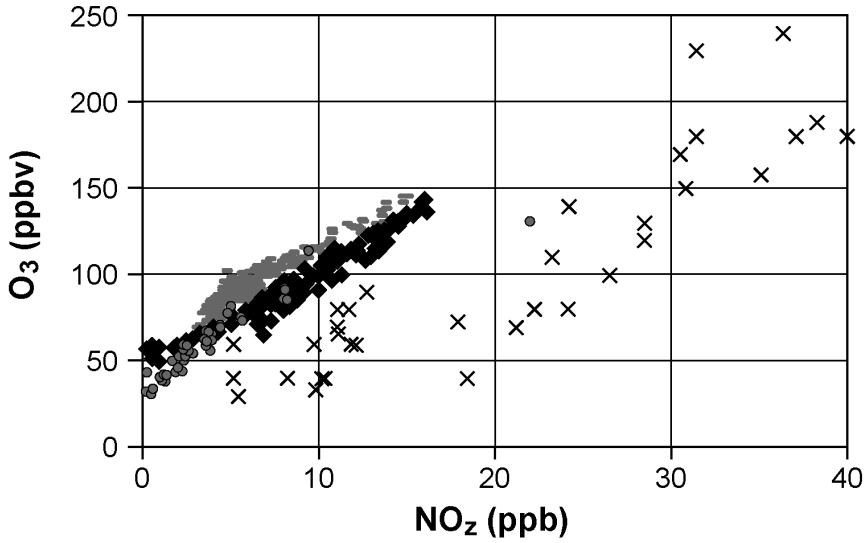

Figure AX2-17. Measured values of O_3 and NO_z (NO_y – NO_x) during the afternoon at rural sites in the eastern United States (gray circles) and in urban areas and urban plumes associated with Nashville, TN (gray dashes), Paris, FR (black diamonds) and Los Angeles, CA (X's).

Sources: Trainer et al. (1993), Sillman et al. (1997, 1998, 2003).

The discussion in Section AX2.4.1 centers mainly on the relations among O_3, NO_x and its oxidation products, represented as NO_z (NO_y – NO_x) and VOCs derived from the results of field studies. Most of these studies examined processes occurring in power plant and urban plumes.

AX2.4.1 Summary of Results for the Relations Among Ozone, its Precursors and Other Oxidants from Recent Field Experiments

AX2.4.1.1 Results from the Southern Oxidant Study and Related Experiments

The Southern Oxidant Study (SOS) was initiated to describe the sources, variation, and distribution of O_3 and its precursors in the southeastern United States during the summer season (Hübler et al., 1998; Meagher et al., 1998; Goldan et al., 2000). Specific issues that were addressed included: (1) the role of biogenic VOC and NO_x emissions on local and regional O_3 production, (2) the effect of urban-rural exchange/interchange on local and regional O_3 production, (3) sub-grid-scale photochemical and meteorological processes, and (4) the

provision of a high-quality chemical and meteorological data set to test and improve observation and emission-based air quality forecast models. Some of the more significant findings of the 1994 to 1995 studies include the following: (1) Ozone production in Nashville was found to be close to the transition between NO_x-limited and NO_x-saturated regimes. (2) The number of molecules of O_3 produced per molecule of NO_x oxidized in power plant plumes, or the O_3 production efficiency (OPE) was found to be inversely proportional to the NO_x emission rate, with the plants having the highest NO_x emissions exhibiting the lowest OPE. (3) During stagnant conditions, winds at night dominated pollutant transport and represent the major mechanism for advecting urban pollutants to rural areas—specific findings follow.

As part of SOS, the Tennessee Valley Authority's instrumented helicopter conducted flights over Atlanta, Georgia to investigate the evolution of the urban O_3 plume (Imhoff et al., 1995). Ozone peak levels occurred at 20 – 40 km downwind of the city center. The OPE obtained from five afternoon flights ranged between 4 and 10 molecules of O_3 per molecule of NO_x.

Berkowitz and Shaw (1997) measured O_3 and its precursors at several altitudes over a surface site near Nashville during SOS to determine the effects of turbulent mixing on atmospheric chemistry. Early morning measurements of O_3 aloft revealed values near 70 ppb, while those measured at the surface were closer to 25 ppb. As the daytime mixed layer deepened, surface O_3 values steadily increased until they reached 70 ppb. The onset of turbulence increased isoprene mixing ratios aloft by several orders of magnitude and affected the slope of O_3 as a function of NO_y for each of the flight legs. Measurements from nonturbulent flight legs yielded slopes that were considerably steeper than those from measurements made in turbulence. This study shows that the concentration of O_3 precursors aloft is dependent on the occurrence of turbulence, and turbulent mixing could explain the evolution of O_3 concentrations at the surface. In general, conclusions regarding pollutant concentrations must account for both chemical and local dynamic processes.

Gillani et al. (1998) analyzed data from instrumented aircraft during SOS that flew through the plumes of three large, tall-stack, base-load, Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) coal-fired power plants in northwestern Tennessee. They determined that plume chemical maturity and peak O_3 and NO_z production occurred within 30 to 40 km and 4 hours of summer daytime convective boundary layer (CBL) transport time for a coal-fired power plant in the Nashville,

TN urban O_3 nonattainment area (Gallatin). For a rural coal-fired power plant in an isoprene-rich forested area about 100 km west of Nashville (Cumberland), plume chemical maturity and peak O_3 and NO_z production were realized within approximately 100 km and 6 hours of CBL transport time. Their findings included approximately 3 molecules of O_3 and more than 0.6 molecules of NO_z may be produced in large isolated rural power plant plumes (PPPs) per molecule of NO_x release; the corresponding peak yields of O_3 and NO_z may be significantly greater in urban PPPs. Both power plants can contribute as much as 50 ppb of excess O_3 to the Nashville area, raising the local levels to well above 100 ppb. Also using aircraft data collected during SOS, Ryerson et al. (1998) concluded that the lower and upper limits to O_3 production efficiency in the Cumberland and Paradise PPPs (located in rural Tennessee) were 1 and 2 molecules of O_3 produced per molecule of NO_x emitted. The estimated lower and upper limits to O_3 production efficiency in the Johnsonville PPP (also located in rural Tennessee) were higher, at 3 and 7.

The NOAA airborne O_3 lidar provided detailed, three-dimensional lower tropospheric O_3 distribution information during June and July 1995 in the Nashville area (Senff et al., 1998; Alvarez et al., 1998). The size and shape of power plant plumes as well as their impacts on O_3 concentration levels as the plume is advected downwind were studied. Specific examples include: the July 7 Cumberland plume that was symmetrical and confined to the boundary layer, and the July 19 Cumberland plume that was irregularly shaped with two cores, one above and the other within the boundary layer. The disparate plume characteristics on these two days were the result of distinctly different meteorological conditions. Ozone in the plume was destroyed at a rate of 5 to 8 ppbv h^{-1} due to NO_x titration close to the power plant, while farther downwind, O_3 was produced at rates between 1.5 and 4 ppbv h^{-1}. The lidar O_3 measurements compared reasonably well with in situ values, with the average magnitude of the offsets over all the flights at 4.3 ppbv (7%).

The highest O_3 concentrations observed during the 1995 SOS in middle Tennessee occurred during a period of strong, synoptic-scale stagnation from July 11 through July 15. This massive episode covered most of the eastern United States (e.g., Ryan et al., 1998). During this time, the effects of vertical wind profiles on the buildup and transport of O_3 were studied by Banta et al. (1998) using an airborne differential absorption lidar (DIAL) system. Vertical cross sections showed O_3 concentrations exceeding 120 ppb extending to nearly 2 km above ground

level, but that O_3 moved little horizontally. Instead, it formed a dome of pollution over or near Nashville. Due to the stagnant daytime conditions (boundary layer winds ~1 to 3 m s^{-1}), nighttime transport of O_3 became disproportionately important. At night, in the layer between 100 and 2000 m AGL (which had been occupied by the daytime mixed layer), the winds could be accelerated to 5 to 10 m s^{-1} as a result of nocturnal decoupling from surface friction. Data from surface and other aircraft measurements taken during this period suggest that the background air and the edges of the urban plume were NO_x sensitive and the core of the urban plume was hydrocarbon sensitive (Valente et al., 1998). Also revealed was the fact that the surface monitoring network failed to document the maximum surface O_3 concentrations. Thus, monitoring networks, especially in medium-sized urban areas under slow transport conditions, may underestimate the magnitude and frequency of urban O_3 concentrations greater than 120 ppb.

Nunnermacker et al. (1998) used both aircraft and surface data from SOS to perform a detailed kinetic analysis of the chemical evolution of the Nashville urban plume. The analysis revealed OH concentrations around 1.2 x 10^7 cm^{-3} that consumed 50% of the NO_x within approximately 2 hours, at an OPE of 2.5 to 4 molecules for each molecule of NO_x. Anthropogenic hydrocarbons provided approximately 44% of the fuel for O_3 production by the urban plume.

Surface and aircraft observations of O_3 and O_3 precursors were compared during SOS to assess the degree to which mid-day surface measurements may be considered representative of the larger planetary boundary layer (PBL) (Luke et al., 1998). Overall agreement between surface and aircraft O_3 measurements was excellent in the well-developed mixed layer ($r^2 = 0.96$), especially in rural-regional background air and under stagnant conditions, where surface concentrations change only slowly. Vertical variations in trace gas concentrations were often minimal in the well-mixed PBL, and measurements at the surface always agreed well with aircraft observations up to the level of measurements (460 m above ground level). Under conditions of rapidly varying surface concentrations (e.g., during episodes of power plant plume fumigation and early morning boundary layer development), agreement between surface and aloft was dependent upon the spatial (aircraft) and temporal (ground) averaging intervals used in the comparison. Under these conditions, surface sites were representative of the PBL only to within a few kilometers horizontally.

On four days during SOS, air samples were taken in the plume of the Cumberland Power Plant in central Tennessee using an instrumented helicopter to investigate the evolution of photochemical smog (Luria et al., 1999, 2000). Twelve crosswind air-sampling traverses were made between 35 and 116 km from this Power Plant on 16 July 1995. Winds, from the west-northwest during the sampling period, directed the plume toward Nashville. Ten of the traverses were performed upwind of Nashville, where the plume was isolated, and two were made downwind of the city. The results indicated that even six hours after the plume left the stacks, excess O_3 production was limited to the edges of the plume. Excess O_3 production within the plume was found to vary from 20 ppb up to 55 ppb. It was determined that this variation corresponded to differences in ambient isoprene levels. Excess O_3 (up to 109 ppbv, 50 to 60 ppbv above background), was produced in the center of the plume when there was sufficient mixing upwind of Nashville. The power plant plume apparently mixed with the urban plume also, producing O_3 up to 120 ppbv 15 to 25 km downwind of Nashville.

Nunnermacker et al. (2000) used data from the DOE G-1 aircraft to characterize emissions from a small power plant plume (Gallatin) and a large power plant plume (Paradise) in the Nashville region. Observations made on July 3, 7, 15, 17, and 18, 1995, were compiled, and a kinetic analysis of the chemical evolution of the power plant plumes was performed. OPEs were found to be 3 in the Gallatin and 2 in the Paradise plumes. Lifetimes for NO_x (2.8 and 4.2 hours) and NO_y (7.0 and 7.7 hours) were determined in the Gallatin and Paradise plumes, respectively. These NO_x and NO_y lifetimes imply rapid loss of NO_z (assumed to be primarily HNO_3), with a lifetime determined to be 3.0 and 2.5 hours for the Gallatin and Paradise plumes, respectively.

AX2.4.1.2 Results from Studies on Biogenic and Anthropogenic Hydrocarbons and Ozone Production

Williams et al. (1997) made the first airborne measurements of peroxy-methacrylic nitric anhydride (MPAN), which is formed from isoprene-NO_x chemistry and is an indicator of recent O_3 production from isoprene and therefore biogenic hydrocarbons (BHC). They also measured peroxyacetic nitric anhydride (PAN), peroxypropionic nitric anhydride (PPN), and O_3 to estimate the contributions of anthropogenic hydrocarbons (AHC) and BHC to regional tropospheric O_3 production.

Airborne measurements of MPAN, PAN, PPN, and O_3 were made during the 1994 and 1995 Nashville intensive studies of SOS to determine the fraction of O_3 formed from anthropogenic NO_x and BHC (Roberts et al., 1998). It was found that PAN, a general product of hydrocarbon-NO_x photochemistry, could be well represented as a simple linear combination of contributions from BHC and AHC as indicated by MPAN and PPN, respectively. The PAN/MPAN ratios, characteristic of BHC-dominated chemistry, ranged from 6 to 10. The PAN/PPN ratios, characteristic of AHC-dominated chemistry, ranged from 5.8 to 7.4. These ratios were used to estimate the contributions of AHC and BHC to regional tropospheric O_3 production. It was estimated that substantial O_3 (50 to 60 ppbv) was produced from BHC when high NO_x from power plants was present in areas of high BHC emission.

AX2.4.1.3 Results of Studies on Ozone Production in Mississippi and Alabama

Aircraft flights made in June 1990 characterized the variability of O_3 and reactive nitrogen in the lower atmosphere over Mississippi and Alabama. The variety and proximity of sources and the photochemical production and loss of O_3 were found to be contributing factors (Ridley et al., 1998). Urban, biomass burning, electrical power plant, and paper mill plumes were all encountered during these flights. Urban plumes from Mobile, AL had OPEs as high as 6 to 7 ppbv O_3 per ppbv of NO_x. Emissions measured from biomass burning had lower efficiencies of 2 to 4 ppbv O_3 per ppbv of NO_x, but the average rate of production of O_3 was as high as 58 ppbv hr^{-1} for one fire where the plume was prevented from vertical mixing. Near-source paper mill and power plant plumes showed O_3 titration, while far-field observations of power plant plumes showed net O_3 production. Early morning observations below a nocturnal inversion provided evidence for the nighttime oxidation of NO_x to reservoir species.

Aircraft measurements of O_3 and oxides of nitrogen were made downwind of Birmingham, AL to estimate the OPE in the urban plume (Trainer et al., 1995). NO_x emission rates were estimated at 0.6×10^{25} molecules s^{-1} with an uncertainty of a factor of 2. During the summertime it was determined that approximately seven O_3 molecules could be formed for every molecule of NO_x emitted by the urban and proximately located power plant plumes. The regional O_3, the photochemical production of O_3 during the oxidation of the urban emissions, and wind speed and direction all combined to dictate the magnitude and location of the peak O_3 concentrations observed in the vicinity of the Birmingham metropolitan area.

Aircraft observations of rural U.S. coal-fired power plant plumes in the middle Mississippi and Tennessee Valleys were used to quantify the nonlinear dependence of tropospheric O_3 formation on plume NO_x concentration, determined by plant NO_x emission rate and atmospheric dispersion (Ryerson et al., 2001). The ambient availability of reactive VOCs, primarily biogenic isoprene, was also found to affect O_3 production rate and yield in these rural plumes. Plume O_3 production rates and yields as a function of NO_x and VOC concentrations differed by a factor of 2 or more. These large differences indicate that power plant NO_x emission rates and geographic locations play a large role in tropospheric O_3 production.

AX2.4.1.4 The Nocturnal Urban Plume Over Portland, Oregon

Aircraft observations of aerosol surface area, O_3, NO_y and moisture were made at night in the Portland, Oregon urban plume (Berkowitz et al., 2001). Shortly after sunset, O_3, relative humidity, NO_y and aerosol number density were all positively correlated. However, just before dawn, O_3 mixing ratios were highly anti-correlated with aerosol number density, NO_y and relative humidity. Back-trajectories showed that both samples came from a common source to the northwest of Portland. The pre-dawn parcels passed directly over Portland, while the other parcels passed to the west of Portland. Several hypotheses were put forward to explain the loss of O_3 in the parcels that passed over Portland, including homogeneous gas-phase mechanisms and a heterogeneous mechanism on the aerosol particle surface.

AX2.4.1.5 Effects of VOCs in Houston on Ozone Production

Aircraft Observations of O_3 and O_3 precursors over Houston, TX, Nashville, TN; New York, NY; Phoenix, AZ, and Philadelphia, PA showed that despite similar NO_x concentrations, high concentrations of VOCs in the lower atmosphere over Houston led to calculated O_3 production rates that were 2 to 5 times higher than in the other 4 cities (Kleinman et al., 2002). Concentrations of VOCs and O_3 production rates are highest in the Ship Channel region of Houston, where one of the largest petrochemical complexes in the world is located. As a result, Houston lays claim to the highest recorded hourly average O_3 concentrations in the United States within the last 5 years (in excess of 250 ppb).

AX2.4.1.6 Chemical and Meteorological Influences on the Phoenix Urban Ozone Plume

The interaction of chemistry and meteorology for western cities can contrast sharply with that of eastern cities. A 4-week field campaign in May and June of 1998 in the Phoenix area comprised meteorological and chemical measurements (Fast et al., 2000). Data from models and observations revealed that heating of the higher terrain north and east of Phoenix produced regular, thermally driven circulations during the afternoon from the south and southwest through most of the boundary layer, advecting the urban O_3 plume to the northeast. Deep mixed layers and moderate winds aloft ventilated the Phoenix area during the study period so that multiday buildups of locally produced O_3 did not appear to contribute significantly to O_3 levels. Sensitivity simulations estimated that 20% to 40% of the afternoon surface O_3 mixing ratios (corresponding to 15 to 35 ppb) was due to the entrainment of O_3 reservoirs into the growing convective boundary layer. The model results also indicated that O_3 production in this arid region is NO_x-saturated, unlike most eastern U.S. sites.

AX2.4.1.7 Transport of Ozone and Precursors on the Regional Scale

Instrumented aircraft flights by the University of Maryland in a Cessna 172 and Sonoma Technology, Inc. in a Piper Aztec measured the vertical profiles of trace gases and meteorological parameters in Virginia, Maryland, and Pennsylvania on July 12 – 15, 1995 during a severe O_3 episode in the mid-Atlantic region (Ryan et al., 1998). Ozone measured upwind of the urban centers reached 80 to 110 ppbv. Layers of high O_3 aloft were associated with local concentration maxima of SO_2 and NO_y, but not CO or NO_x. This, together with a back trajectory analysis, implicated coal-fired power plants in the industrialized Midwest as the source of the photochemically aged air in the upwind boundary of the urban centers. When the PBL over the Baltimore-Washington area deepened, the O_3 and O_3 precursors that had been transported from the west and northwest mixed with the local emissions and O_3 in excess of 125 ppbv was measured at the surface.

During the blackout of August 14, 2003 Marufu et al. (2004) measured profiles of O_3, SO_2 and CO over areas in western Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. They found notable decreases in O_3, SO_2, and NO_x, over areas affected by the blackout but not over those that were not affected. They also found that CO concentrations aloft were comparable over areas affected and not affected by the blackout. They attributed the differences in concentrations between what

was observed and what was expected to the reduction in emissions from power plants mainly in the Ohio Valley. They also reasoned that the CO concentrations were relatively unaffected because they arise from traffic emissions, which may have been largely unaffected by the blackout. However, the blackout also disrupted many industries, small scale emission sources, and rail and air transportation.

The Department of Energy G-1 aircraft flew in the New York City metropolitan area in the summer of 1996 as part of the North American Research Strategy for Tropospheric Ozone-Northeast effort to ascertain the causes leading to high O_3 levels in the northeastern United States (Kleinman et al., 2000). Ozone, O_3 precursors, and other photochemically active trace gases were measured upwind and downwind of New York City to characterize the O_3 formation process and its dependence on NO_x and VOCs. During two flights, the wind was south southwesterly and O_3 levels reached 110 ppb. On two other flights, the wind was from the north-northwest and O_3 levels were not as high. When the G-1 observed O_3 around 110 ppb, the NO_x/NO_y ratio measured at the surface was between 0.20 and 0.30, indicating an aged plume.

AX2.4.1.8 Model Calculations and Aircraft Observations of Ozone Over Philadelphia

Regional-scale transport and local O_3 production over Philadelphia was estimated using a new meteorological-chemical model (Fast et al., 2002). Surface and airborne meteorological and chemical measurements made during a 30-day period in July and August of 1999 as part of the Northeast Oxidant and Particulate Study were used to evaluate the model performance. Both research aircraft and ozonesondes, during the morning between 0900 and 1100 LST, measured layers of O_3 above the convective boundary layer. The model accounted for these layers through upwind vertical mixing the previous day, subsequent horizontal transport aloft, and NO titration of O_3 within the stable boundary layer at night. Entrainment of the O_3 aloft into the growing convective boundary contributed to surface O_3 concentrations. During the study period, most of the O_3 appeared to result from local emissions in the vicinity of Philadelphia and the Chesapeake Bay area, but during high O_3 episodes, up to 30 to 40% of the O_3 was due to regional transport from upwind sources.

AX2.4.1.9 The Two-Reservoir System

Studies described above and aircraft observations made in August 2002 over the mid-Atlantic region show that a two-reservoir system illustrated schematically in Figure AX2-18 may realistically represent both the dynamics and photochemistry of severe, multiday haze and O_3 episodes over the eastern United States (Taubman et al., 2004). The first reservoir is the PBL, where most precursor species are injected, and the second is the lower free troposphere (LFT), where photochemical processes are accelerated and removal via deposition is rare. Bubbles of air lifted from urban and industrial sources were rich in CO and SO_2, but not O_3, and contained greater numbers of externally mixed primary sulfate and black carbon (BC) particles. Correlations among O_3, air parcel altitude, particle size, and relative humidity suggest that greater O_3 concentrations and relatively larger particles are produced in the LFT and mix back down into the PBL. Backward trajectories indicated source regions in the Midwest and mid-Atlantic urban corridor, with southerly transport up the urban corridor augmented by the Appalachian lee trough and nocturnal low-level jet (LLJ). This concept of two-reservoirs may facilitate the numerical simulation of multiday events in the eastern United States. A relatively small number of vertical layers will be required if accurate representation of the sub-gridscale transport can be parameterized to represent the actual turbulent exchange of air between the PBL and lower free troposphere.

AX2.5 METHODS USED TO CALCULATE RELATIONS BETWEEN OZONE AND ITS PRECURSORS

Atmospheric chemistry and transport models are the major tools used to calculate the relations between O_3, its precursors, and other oxidation products. Other techniques, involving statistical relations between O_3 and other variables have also been used. Chemistry-transport models (CTM) are driven by emissions inventories for O_3 precursor compounds and by meterological fields. Emissions of precursor compounds can be divided into anthropogenic and natural source categories. Natural sources can be further divided into biotic (vegetation, microbes, animals) and abiotic (biomass burning, lightning) categories. However, the distinction between natural sources and anthropogenic sources is often difficult to make as human activities affect directly, or indirectly, emissions from what would have been considered natural sources during the pre-industrial era. Emissions from plants and animals used in agriculture are usually

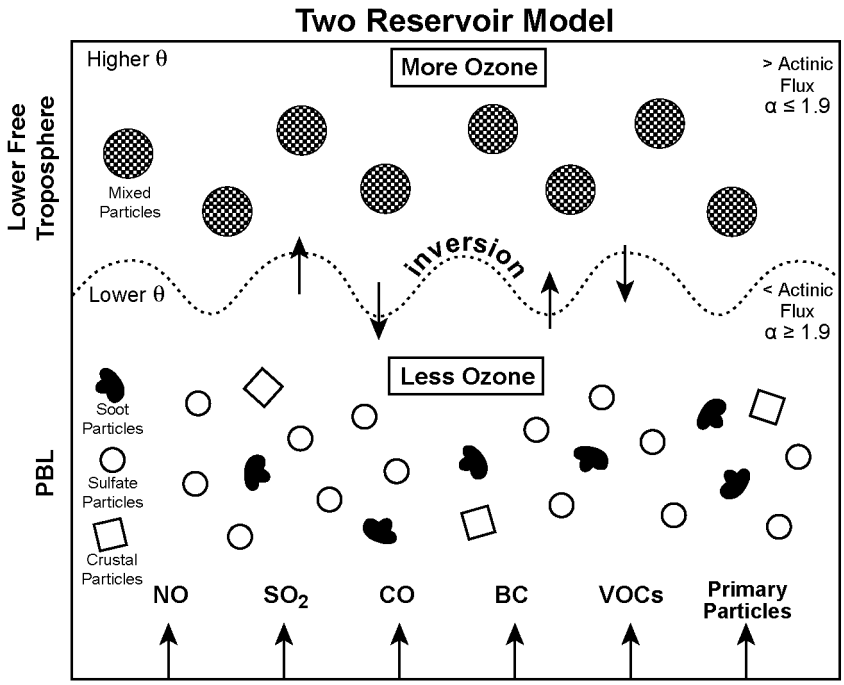

Figure AX2-18. Conceptual two-reservoir model showing conditions in the PBL and in the lower free troposphere during a multiday O_3 episode. The dividing line, the depth of the mixed layer, is about 1000 m. Emissions occur in the PBL, where small, unmixed black carbon, sulfate, and crustal particles in the $PM_{2.5}$ size range are also shown. Ozone concentrations as well as potential temperature (θ) and actinic flux are lower in the PBL than in the lower free troposphere, while RH is higher. Larger, mixed sulfate and carbonaceous particles (still in the $PM_{2.5}$ size range) and more O_3 exist in the lower free troposphere.

Source: Taubman et al. (2004).

referred to as anthropogenic. Wildfire emissions may be considered natural, except that forest management practices may have led to the buildup of fuels on the forest floor, thereby altering the frequency and severity of forest fires. Needed meteorological quantities such as winds and temperatures are taken from operational analyses, reanalyses, or circulation models. In most cases, these are off-line analyses, i.e., they are not modified by radiatively active species such as O_3 and particles generated by the model.

A brief overview of atmospheric chemistry-transport models is given in Section AX2.5.1. A discussion of emissions inventories of precursors that are used by these models is given in Section AX2.5.2. Uncertainties in emissions estimates have also been discussed in Air Quality Criteria for Particulate Matter (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2000). So-called "observationally based models" which rely more heavily on observations of the concentrations of important species are discussed in Section AX2.5.3. Chemistry-transport model evaluation and an evaluation of the reliability of emissions inventories are presented in Section AX2.5.4.

AX2.5.1 Chemistry-Transport Models

Atmospheric chemistry-transport models (CTMs) are used to obtain better understanding of the processes controlling the formation, transport, and destruction of O_3 and other air pollutants; to understand the relations between O_3 concentrations and concentrations of its precursors such as NO_x and VOCs; and to understand relations among the concentration patterns of O_3 and other oxidants that may also exert health effects. Detailed examination of the concentrations of short-lived species in a CTM can provide important insights into how O_3 is formed under certain conditions and can suggest likely avenues for data analysis and future experiments and field campaigns. The dominant processes leading to the formation of O_3 in a particular time period, questions about whether NO_x or VOCs were more important, the influence of meteorology and of emissions from a particular geographic region, and the transformation or formation of other pollutants could be examined using a CTM.

CTMs are also used for determining control strategies for O_3 precursors. However, this application has met with varying degrees of success because of the highly nonlinear relations between O_3 and emissions of its precursors. CTMs include mathematical descriptions of atmospheric transport, emissions, the transfer of solar radiation through the atmosphere, chemical reactions, and removal to the surface by turbulent motions and precipitation for chemical species of interest. Increasingly, the trend is for these processes to be broken down and handled by other models or sub-models, so a CTM will likely use emissions and meteorological data from at least two other models.

There are two major formulations of CTMs in current use. In the first approach, grid-based, or Eulerian, air quality models, the region to be modeled (the modeling domain) is subdivided into a three-dimensional array of grid cells. Spatial derivatives in the species

continuity equations are cast in finite-difference form over this grid, and a system of equations for the concentrations of all the chemical species in the model are solved numerically at each grid point. The modeling domain may be limited to a particular airshed or provide global coverage and extend through several major atmospheric layers. Time dependent continuity (mass conservation) equations are solved for each species including terms for transport, chemical production and destruction, and emissions and deposition (if relevant), in each cell. Chemical processes are simulated with ordinary differential equations, and transport processes are simulated with partial differential equations. Because of a number of factors such as the different time scales inherent in different processes, the coupled, nonlinear nature of the chemical process terms, and computer storage limitations, all of the terms in the equations are not solved simultaneously in three dimensions. Instead, a technique known as operator splitting, in which terms involving individual processes are solved sequentially, is used. In the second application of CTMs, trajectory or Lagrangian models, a large number of hypothetical air parcels are specified as following wind trajectories. In these models, the original system of partial differential equations is transformed into a system of ordinary differential equations.

A less common approach is to use a hybrid Lagrangian/Eulerian model, in which certain aspects of atmospheric chemistry and transport are treated with a Lagrangian approach and others are treaded in a Eulerian manner (e.g., Stein et al., 2000). Both modeling approaches have their advantages and disadvantages. The Eulerian approach is more general in that it includes processes that mix air parcels and allows integrations to be carried out for long periods during which individual air parcels lose their identity. There are, however, techniques for including the effects of mixing in Lagrangian models such as FLEXPART (e.g., Zanis et al., 2003), ATTILA (Reithmeir and Sausen, 2002), and CLaMS (McKenna et al., 2002).

Major modeling efforts within the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency center on the Models3/Community Modeling for Air Quality (CMAQ, Byun et al., 1998) and the Multi Scale Air Quality Simulation Platform (MAQSIP, Odman and Ingram, 1996) whose formulations are based on the regional acid deposition model (RADM, Chang et al., 1987). A number of other modeling platforms using the Lagrangian and Eulerian frameworks have been reviewed in AQCD 96. CTMs currently in use are summarized in the review by Russell and Dennis (2000). The domains of MAQSIP and CMAQ are flexible and can extend from several hundred km to the hemispherical scale. In addition, both of these classes of models allow the resolution of the

calculations over specified areas to vary. CMAQ and MAQSIP are both driven by the MM5 mesoscale meteorological model (Seaman, 2000 and references therein), though both may be driven by other meteorological models (e.g., RAMS and Eta). Simulations of regional O_3 episodes have been performed with a horizontal resolution of 4 km. In principle, calculations over limited domains can be accomplished to even finer scales. However, simulations at these higher resolutions require better parameterizations of meteorological processes such as boundary layer fluxes, deep convection and clouds (Seaman, 2000), and knowledge of emissions. Resolution at finer scales will likely be necessary to resolve smaller-scale features such as the urban heat island; sea, bay, and land breezes; and the nocturnal low-level jet.

Currently, the most common approach to setting up the horizontal domain is to nest a finer grid within a larger domain of coarser resolution. However, a number of other strategies are currently being developed, such as the stretched grid (e.g., Fox-Rabinowitz et al., 2002) and the adaptive grid. In a stretched grid, the grid's resolution continuously varies throughout the domain, thereby eliminating any potential problems with the sudden change from one resolution to another at the boundary. One must be careful in using such a formulation, because certain parameterizations that are valid on a relatively coarse grid scale (such as convection, for example) are not valid or should not be present on finer scales. Adaptive grids are not set at the start of the simulation, but instead adapt to the needs of the simulation as it evolves (e.g., Hansen et al., 1994). They have the advantage that, if the algorithm is properly set up, the resolution is always sufficient to resolve the process at hand. However, they can be very slow if the situation to be modeled is complex. Additionally, if one uses adaptive grids for separate meteorological, emissions, and photochemical models, there is no reason a priori why the resolution of each grid should match; and the gains realized from increased resolution in one model will be wasted in the transition to another model. The use of finer and finer horizontal resolution in the photochemical model will necessitate finer-scale inventories of land use and better knowledge of the exact paths of roads, locations of factories, and, in general, better methods for locating sources. The present practice of locating a source in the middle of a county or distributing its emissions throughout a county if its location is unknown will likely not be adequate in the future.

The vertical resolution of these models continues to improve as more layers are added to capture atmospheric processes and structures. This trend will likely continue because a model with 25 vertical layers, for example, may have layers that are 500 m thick at the top of the

planetary boundary layer. Though the boundary layer height is generally determined through other methods, the chemistry in the model is necessarily confined by such layering schemes. Because the height of the boundary layer is of critical importance in simulations of air quality, improved resolution of the boundary layer height would likely improve air quality simulations. The difficulty of properly establishing the boundary layer height is most pronounced when considering tropopause folding events, which are important in determining the chemistry of the background atmosphere. In the vicinity of the tropopause, the vertical resolution of most any large scale model is quite unlikely to be able to capture such a feature. Additionally, any current model is likely to have trouble adequately resolving fine scale features such as the low-level jet. Finally, models must be able to treat emissions, meteorology, and photochemistry differently in different areas. Emissions models are likely to need better resolution near the surface and possibly near any tall stacks. Photochemical models, on the other hand, may need better resolution away from the surface and be more interested in resolving the planetary boundary layer height, terrain differences, and other higher altitude features. Meteorological models share some of the concerns of photochemical models, but are less likely to need sufficient resolution to adequately treat a process such as dry deposition beneath a stable nocturnal boundary layer. Whether the increased computational power necessary for such increases in resolution will be ultimately justified by improved results in the meteorological and subsequent photochemical simulations remains to be seen.

CTMs require time dependent, three-dimensional wind fields for the time period of simulation. The winds may be either generated by a model using initial fields alone or four dimensional data assimilation can be used to improve the model's meteorological fields (i.e., model equations can be updated periodically [or "nudged"] to bring results into agreement with observations). Most modeling efforts have focused on simulations of several days duration (a typical time scale for individual O_3 episodes), but there have been several attempts at modeling longer periods. For example, Kasibhatla and Chameides (2000) simulated a four month period from May to September of 1995 using MAQSIP. The current trend appears to be toward simulating longer time periods. This will impose additional strains on computational resources, as most photochemical modeling until recently has been performed with an eye toward simulating only summertime episodes of peak O_3. With the shift toward modeling an entire year being driven by the desire to understand observations of periods of high wintertime PM (e.g.,

Blanchard et al., 2002), models will be further challenged to simulate air quality under conditions for which they may not have been used previously.

Chemical kinetics mechanisms (a set of chemical reactions) representing the important reactions that occur in the atmosphere are used in air quality models to estimate the net rate of formation of each pollutant simulated as a function of time. Chemical mechanisms that explicitly treat the chemical reactions of each individual reactive species are too lengthy and demanding of computer resources to be incorporated into three-dimensional atmospheric models. As an example, a master chemical mechanism includes approximately 10,500 reactions involving 3603 chemical species (Derwent et al., 2001 and references therein). Instead, "lumped" mechanisms, that group compounds of similar chemistry together, are used. The chemical mechanisms used in existing photochemical O_3 models contain significant uncertainties that may limit the accuracy of their predictions; the accuracy of each of these mechanisms is also limited by missing chemistry. Because of different approaches to the lumping of organic compounds into surrogate groups, chemical mechanisms, can produce somewhat different results under similar conditions. The CB-IV chemical mechanism (Gery et al., 1989), the RADM II mechanism (Stockwell et al., 1990), the SAPRC (e.g., Wang et al., 2000a; Wang et al., 2000b; Carter, 1990) and the RACM mechanisms can be used in CMAQ. Jimenez et al. (2003) provide brief descriptions of the features of the main mechanisms in use and they compared concentrations of several key species predicted by seven chemical mechanisms in a box model simulation over 24 h. The average deviation from the average of all mechanism predictions for O_3 and NO over the daylight period was less than 20%, and 10% for NO_2 for all mechanisms. However, much larger deviations were found for HNO_3, PAN, HO_2, H_2O_2, C_2H_4 and C_5H_8 (isoprene). An analysis for OH radicals was not presented. The large deviations shown for most species imply differences between the calculated lifetimes of atmospheric species and the assignment of model simulations to either NO_x limited or radical limited regimes between mechanisms. Gross and Stockwell (2003) found small differences between mechanisms for clean conditions with differences becoming more significant for polluted conditions, especially for NO_2 and organic peroxy radicals. They caution modelers to consider carefully the mechanisms they are using.

As CTMs incorporate more processes and knowledge of aerosol- and gas-phase chemistry improves, a "one atmosphere" approach is evolving. For example, CMAQ and PM-CAMx now

incorporate some aerosol processes, and several attempts are currently underway to study feedbacks of chemistry on atmospheric dynamics using meteorological models, usually MM5 (e.g., Grell et al., 2000; Liu et al., 2001; Lu et al., 1997; and Park et al., 2001). This coupling may be necessary to accurately simulate cases such as the heavy aerosol loading found in forest fire plumes (Lu et al., 1997 and Park et al., 2001).

Spatial and temporal characterizations of anthropogenic and biogenic precursor emissions must be specified as inputs to a CTM. Emissions inventories have been compiled on grids of varying resolution for many hydrocarbons, aldehydes, ketones, CO, NH_3, and NO_x. Emissions inventories for many species require the application of some algorithm for calculating the dependence of emissions on physical variables such as temperature. For many species, information concerning the temporal variability of emissions is lacking, so long term (e.g., annual or O_3-season) averages are used in short term, episodic simulations. Annual emissions estimates are often modified by the emissions model to produce emissions more characteristic of the time of day and season. Significant errors in emissions can occur if an inappropriate time dependence or a default profile is used. Additional complexity arises in model calculations because different chemical mechanisms are based on different species, and inventories constructed for use with another mechanism must be adjusted to reflect these differences. This problem also complicates comparisons of the outputs of these models because one chemical mechanism will necessarily produce species that are different from those in another and neither output will necessarily agree with the measurements.

The effects of clouds on atmospheric chemistry are complex and introduce considerable uncertainty into CTM calculations. Thunderstorm clouds are optically very thick and have major effects on radiative fluxes and thus on photolysis rates. Madronich (1987) provided modeling estimates of the effects of clouds of various optical depths on photolysis rates. In the upper portion of a thunderstorm anvil, photolysis is likely to be enhanced (as much as a factor of 2 or more) due to multiple reflections off the ice crystals. In the lower portion of the cloud and beneath the cloud, photolysis is substantially decreased. Thunderstorm updrafts, which contain copious amounts of water, are regions where efficient scavenging of soluble species occurs (Balkanski et al., 1993). Direct field measurements of the amounts of specific trace gases scavenged in observed storms are sparse. Pickering et al. (2001) used a combination of model estimates of soluble species that did not include wet scavenging and observations of these

species from the upper tropospheric outflow region of a major line of convection observed near Fiji. Over 90% of the nitric acid and hydrogen peroxide in the outflow air appeared to have been removed by the storm. Walcek et al. (1990) included a parameterization of cloud-scale aqueous chemistry, scavenging, and vertical mixing in the regional scale, chemistry-transport model of Chang et al. (1987). The vertical distribution of cloud microphysical properties and the amount of subcloud-layer air lifted to each cloud layer were determined using a simple entrainment hypothesis (Walcek and Taylor, 1986). Vertically-integrated O_3 formation rates over the northeastern United States were enhanced by ~50% when the in-cloud vertical motions were included in the model.

In addition to wet deposition, dry deposition (the removal of chemical species from the atmosphere by interaction with ground-level surfaces) is an important removal process for pollutants on both urban and regional scales and must be included in CTMs. The general approach used in most models is the three-resistance method, in which where dry deposition is parameterized with a deposition velocity, which is represented as $v_d = (r_a + r_b + r_c)^{-1}$ where r_a, r_b, and r_c represent the resistance due to atmospheric turbulence, transport in the fluid sublayer very near the elements of surface such as leaves or soil, and the resistance to uptake of the surface itself. This approach works for a range of substances although it is inappropriate for species with substantial emissions from the surface or for species whose deposition to the surface depends on its concentration at the surface itself. The approach is also modified somewhat for aerosols: the terms r_b and r_c are replaced with a surface deposition velocity to account for gravitational settling. In their review, Wesley and Hicks (2000) point out several shortcomings of current knowledge of dry deposition. Among those shortcomings are difficulties in representing dry deposition over varying terrain where horizontal advection plays a significant role in determining the magnitude of r_a and difficulties in adequately determining a deposition velocity for extremely stable conditions such as those occurring at night (e.g., Mahrt, 1998). Under the best of conditions, when a model is exercised over a relatively small area where dry deposition measurements have been made, models still commonly show uncertainties at least as large as ± 30% (e.g., Massman et al., 1994; Brook et al., 1996; Padro, 1996). Wesley and Hicks (2000) state that an important result of these comparisons is that the current level of sophistication of most dry deposition models is relatively low and relies heavily on empirical data. Still larger uncertainties exist when the surface features are not well known or when the

surface comprises a patchwork of different surface types, as is common in the eastern United States.

The initial conditions, i.e., the concentration fields of all species computed by a model, and the boundary conditions, i.e., the concentrations of species along the horizontal and upper boundaries of the model domain throughout the simulation must be specified at the beginning of the simulation. It would be best to specify initial and boundary conditions according to observations. However, data for vertical profiles of most species of interest are sparse. Ozonesonde data have been used to specify O_3 fields, but the initial and boundary values of many other species are often set equal to zero because of a lack of observations. Further, ozonesondes are thought to be subject to errors in measurement and differences arising from improper corrections for pump efficiency and the solutions used (e.g., Hilsenrath et al., 1986; Johnson et al., 2002). The results of model simulations over larger, preferably global, domains can also be used. As may be expected, the influence of boundary conditions depends on the lifetime of the species under consideration and the time scales for transport from the boundaries to the interior of the model domain (Liu et al., 2001).

Each of the model components described above has an associated uncertainty, and the relative importance of these uncertainties varies with the modeling application. The largest errors in photochemical modeling are still thought to arise from the meteorological and emissions inputs to the model (Russell and Dennis, 2000). Within the model itself, horizontal advection algorithms are still thought to be significant source of uncertainty (e.g., Chock and Winkler, 1994) though more recently those errors are thought to have been reduced (e.g., Odman et al., 1996). There are also indications that problems with mass conservation continue to be present in photochemical and meteorological models (e.g., Odman and Russell, 1999); these can result in significant simulation errors. Uncertainties in meteorological variables and emissions can be large enough that they would lead one to make the wrong decision when considering control strategies (e.g., Russell and Dennis, 2000; Sillman et al., 1995). The effects of errors in initial conditions can be minimized by including several days "spin-up" time in a simulation to allow species to come to chemical equilibrium with each other before the simulation of the period of interest begins.

While the effects of poorly specified boundary conditions propagate through the model's domain, the effects of these errors remain undetermined. Many regional models specify constant

O_3 profiles (e.g., 35 ppb) at their lateral and upper boundaries; ozonesonde data, however, indicate that the mixing ratio of O_3 increases vertically in the troposphere (to over 100 ppb at the tropopause) and into the stratosphere (e.g., Newchurch et al., 2003). The practice of using constant O_3 profiles strongly reduces the potential effects of vertical mixing of O_3 from above the planetary boundary layer (via mechanisms outlined in Section AX2.3) on surface O_3 levels. The use of an O_3 climatology (e.g., Fortuin and Kelder, 1998) might reduce the errors that would otherwise be incurred. Because many meteorological processes occur on spatial scales which are smaller than the grid spacing (either horizontally or vertically) and thus are not calculated explicitly, parameterizations of these processes must be used and these introduce additional uncertainty.

Uncertainty also arises in modeling the chemistry of O_3 formation because it is highly nonlinear with respect to NO_x concentrations. Thus, the volume of the grid cell into which emissions are injected is important because the nature of O_3 chemistry (i.e., O_3 production or titration) depends in a complicated way on the concentrations of the precursors and the OH radical. The use of ever-finer grid spacing allows regions of O_3 titration to be more clearly separated from regions of O_3 production. The use of grid spacing fine enough to resolve the chemistry in individual power-plant plumes is too demanding of computer resources for this to be attempted in most simulations. Instead, parameterizations of the effects of subgrid scale processes such as these must be developed; otherwise serious errors can result if emissions are allowed to mix through an excessively large grid volume before the chemistry step in a model calculation is performed. In light of the significant differences between atmospheric chemistry taking place inside and outside of a power plant plume (e.g., Ryerson et al., 1998 and Sillman, 2000), inclusion of a separate, meteorological module for treating large, tight plumes is necessary. Because the photochemistry of O_3 and many other atmospheric species is nonlinear, emissions correctly modeled in a tight plume may be incorrectly modeled in a more dilute plume. Fortunately, it appears that the chemical mechanism used to follow a plume's development need not be as detailed as that used to simulate the rest of the domain, as the inorganic reactions are the most important in the plume (e.g., Kumar and Russell, 1996). The need to include explicitly plume-in-grid chemistry disappears if one uses the adaptive grid approach mentioned previously, though such grids are more computationally intensive. The

differences in simulations are significant because they can lead to significant differences in the calculated sensitivity of O_3 to its precursors (e.g., Sillman et al., 1995).

Because the chemical production and loss terms in the continuity equations for individual species are coupled, the chemical calculations must be performed iteratively until calculated concentrations converge to within some preset criterion. The number of iterations and the convergence criteria chosen also can introduce error.

The importance of global transport of O_3 and its contribution to regional O_3 levels in the United States is slowly becoming apparent. There are presently on the order of 20 three-dimensional global models that have been developed by various groups to address problems in tropospheric chemistry. These models resolve synoptic meteorology, O_3-NO_x-CO-hydrocarbon photochemistry, wet and dry deposition, and parameterize sub-grid scale vertical mixing such as convection. Global models have proven useful for testing and advancing scientific understanding beyond what is possible with observations alone. For example, they can calculate quantities of interest that we do not have the resources to measure directly, such as export of pollution from one continent to the global atmosphere or the response of the atmosphere to future perturbations to anthropogenic emissions.

The finest horizontal resolution at which global simulations are typically conducted is ~200 km^2 although rapid advances in computing power continuously change what calculations are feasible. The next generation of models will consist of simulations that link multiple horizontal resolutions from the global to the local scale. Finer resolution will only improve scientific understanding to the extent that the governing processes are more accurately described at that scale. Consequently there is a critical need for observations at the appropriate scales to evaluate the scientific understanding represented by the models.

Observations of specific chemical species have been useful for testing transport schemes. Radon-222 simulations in sixteen global models have been evaluated with observations to show that vertical mixing is captured to within the constraints offered by the mean observed concentrations (Jacob et al., 1997). Tracers such as cosmogenic ^{7}Be and terrigenic ^{210}Pb have been used to test and constrain model transport and wet deposition (e.g., Liu et al., 2001).

Other chemical species obtained from various platforms (surface measurements, aircraft, satellites) are useful for evaluating the simulation of chemical and dynamical processing in global models. For example, Emmons et al. (2000) compiled available measurements of

12 species relevant to O_3 photochemistry from a number of aircraft campaigns in different regions of the world and used this data composite to evaluate two global models. They concluded that one model (MOZART) suffered from weak convection and an underestimate of nitrogen oxide emissions from biomass burning, while another model (IMAGES) transported too much O_3 from the stratosphere to the troposphere (Emmons et al., 2000). The global coverage available from satellite observations offers new information for testing models. Recent efforts are using satellite observations to evaluate the emission inventories of O_3 precursors that are included in global models; such observations should help to constrain the highly uncertain natural emissions of isoprene and nitrogen oxides (e.g., Palmer et al., 2003; Martin et al., 2003).

A comparison of numerous global chemistry-transport models developed by groups around the world was included in Section 4.4 of the recent report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (Prather and Ehhalt, 2001). In that report, monthly mean O_3 (O_3) and carbon monoxide (CO) simulated by the various models was evaluated with O_3 observations from global ozonesonde stations at 700, 500, and 300 hPa and with surface CO measurements from 17 selected NOAA/CMDL sites. The relevant figures (Figures AX2-4-10 and AX2-4-11) are reproduced here (as Figures AX2-19 for O_3 and AX2-20 for CO) along with the references in their Table AX2-10 (as Table AX2-4). Overall, the models capture the general features of the O_3 and CO seasonal cycles but meet with varying levels of success at matching the observed concentrations and the amplitude of the observed seasonal cycle. For O_3, the models show less disagreement in the lower troposphere than in the upper troposphere, reflecting the difficulty of representing the exchange between the stratosphere and troposphere and the loose constraints on the net O_3 flux that are provided by observations.

An evaluation of five global models with data from the Measurement of Ozone and Water Vapor by Airbus In-Service Aircraft (MOZAIC) project over New York City and Miami indicates that the models tend to underestimate the summer maximum in the middle and lower troposphere over northern mid-latitude cities such as New York City and to underestimate the variability over coastal cities such as Miami which are strongly influenced by both polluted continental and clean marine air masses (Law et al., 2000). Local maxima and minima are difficult to reproduce with global models because processes are averaged over an entire model grid cell. Much of the spatial and temporal variability in surface O_3 over the United States is modulated by synoptic meteorology (e.g., Logan, 1989; Eder et al., 1993; Vukovich, 1995, 1997;

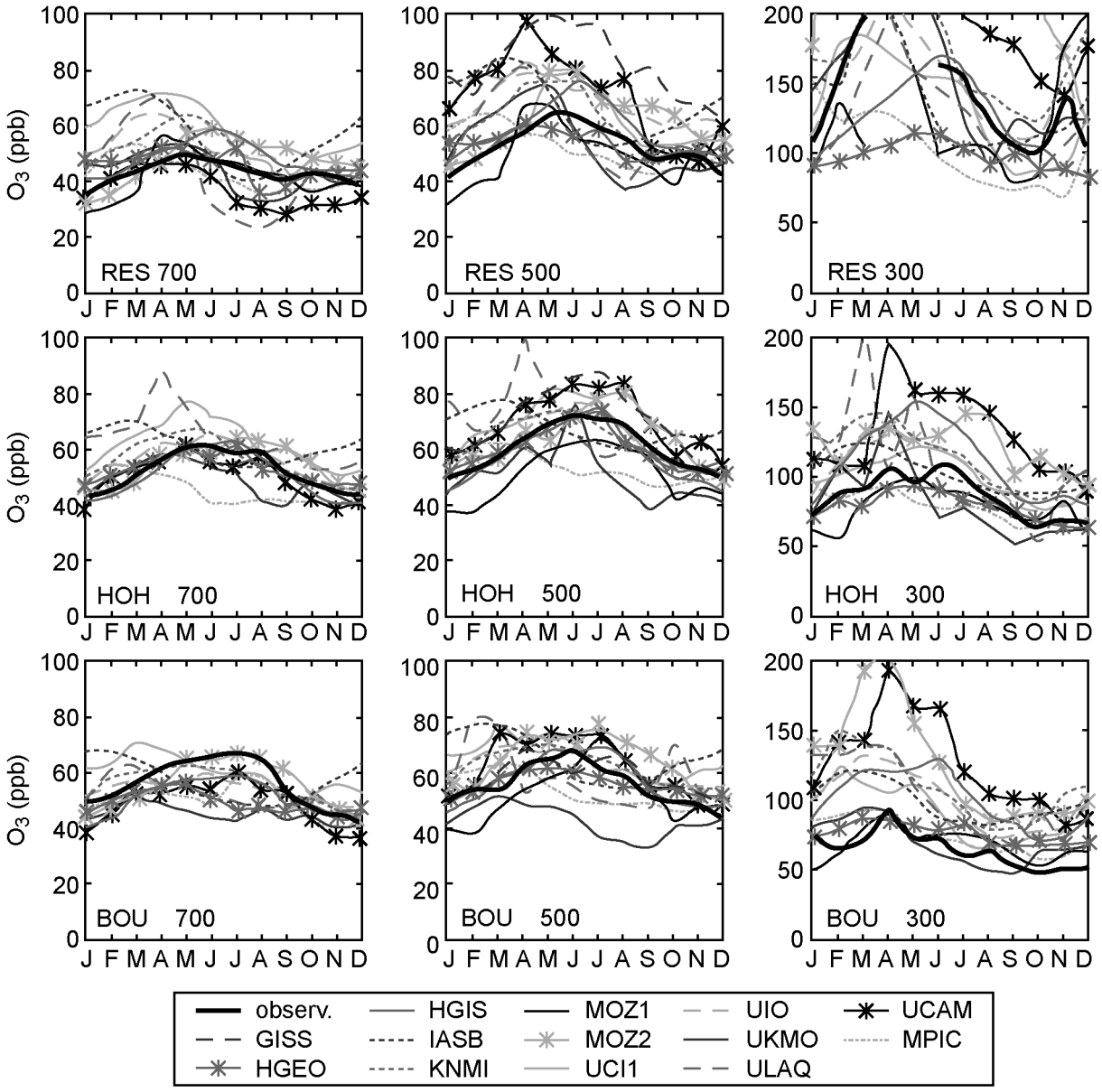

Figure AX2-19. Seasonal variability in O_3 concentrations observed at a number of pressure surfaces at six ozonesonde sites and the predictions of 13 global scale chemistry-transport models.

Source: IPCC Third Assessment Report (2001).

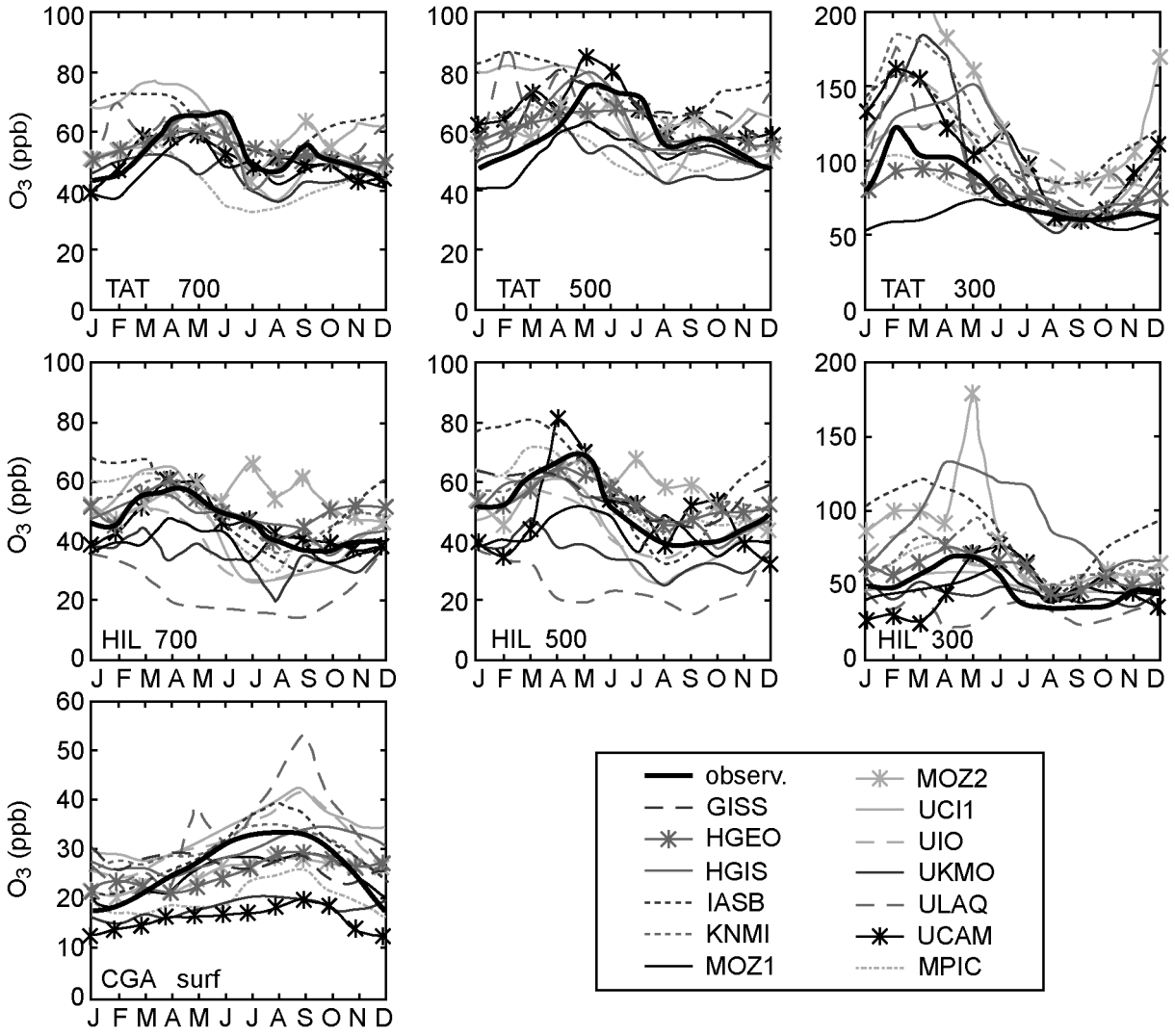

Figure AX2-20. Seasonal variability in O_3 concentrations observed at a number of pressure surfaces at six ozonesonde sites and the predictions of 13 global scale chemistry-transport models.

Source: IPCC Third Assessment Report (2001).

Cooper and Moody, 2000) which is resolved in the current generation of global models. For example, an empirical orthogonal function analysis on observed and simulated fields over the eastern United States in summer has shown that a 2° × 2.5° horizontal resolution global model (GEOS-CHEM) captures the synoptic-scale processes that control much of the observed variability (Fiore et al., 2003). Further evaluation of the same model showed that it can also

Table AX2-4. Chemistry-Transport Models (CTM) Contributing to the Oxcomp Evaluation of Predicting Tropospheric O_3 and OH (Prather and Ehhalt, 2001)

CTM	Institute	Contributing Authors	References
GISS	GISS	Shindell/Grenfell	Hansen et al. (1997)
HGEO	Harvard U.	Bey/Jacob	Bey et al. (2001a)
HGIS	Harvard U.	Mickley/Jacob	Mickley et al. (1999)
IASB	IAS/Belg.	Mülller	Müller and Brasseur (1995, 1999)
KNMI	KNMI/Utrecht	van Weele	Jeuken et al. (1999), Houweling et al. (2000)
MOZ1	NCAR/CNRS	Hauglustaine/Brasseur	Brasseur et al. (1998), Hauglustaine et al. (1998)
MOZ2	NCAR	Horowitz/Brasseur	Brasseur et al. (1998), Hauglustaine et al.(1998)
MPIC	MPI/Chem	Kuhlmann/Lawrence	Crutzen et al. (1999), Lawrence et al. (1999)
UCI	UC Irvine	Wild	Hannegan et al. (1998), Wild and Prather (2000)
UIO	U. Oslo	Berntsen	Berntsen and Isaksen (1997), Fuglestvedt et al. (1999)
UIO2	U. Oslo	Sundet	Sundet (1997)
UKMO	UK Met Office	Stevenson	Collins et al. (1997), Johnson et al. (1999)
ULAQ	U. L. Aquila	Pitari	Pitari et al. (1997)
UCAM	U. Cambridge	Plantevin/Johnson (TOMCAT)	Law et al. (1998, 2000)

capture many of the salient features of the observed distributions of O_3 as well as its precursors in surface air over the United States in summer, including formaldehyde concentrations and correlations between O_3 and the oxidation products of nitrogen oxides (O_3: NO_y-NO_x) , all of which indicate a reasonable photochemical simulation (Fiore et al., 2002).

A significant amount of progress in evaluating the performance of three-dimensional global models with surface, aircraft, and satellite data has been made in recent years. Disagreement among model simulations mainly stems from differences in the driving meteorology and emissions. The largest discrepancies amongst models and between models and

observations occur in the upper troposphere and likely reflect uncertainties in exchange between the stratosphere and troposphere and photochemical processes there; the models agree better with observations closer to the surface. Synoptic-scale meteorology is resolved in these models, enabling them to simulate much of the observed variability in pollutants in the lower troposphere.

AX2.5.2 Emissions of Ozone Precursors

Estimated annual emissions of nitrogen oxides, VOCs, CO, and NH_3 for 1999 (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2001) are shown in Tables AX2-5, AX2-6, AX2-7, and AX2-8. Methods for estimating emissions of criteria pollutants, quality assurance procedures and examples of emissions calculated by using data are given in U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1999).

Table AX2-5. Emissions of Nitrogen Oxides by Various Sources in the United States in 1999

Source	Emissions[1] (10^{12} g/y)	Notes
On-road vehicle exhaust	7.8	Gasoline (58%) and diesel (42%) vehicles.
Non-road vehicle exhaust	5	Diesel (49%) and gasoline (3%) vehicles; railroads (22%); marine vessels (18%); other sources (8%).
Fossil fuel combustion	9.1	Electric utilities (57%); industry (31%); commercial, institutional and residential combustion (12%).
Industrial Processes	0.76	Mineral products (43%); petrochemical products (17%); chemical mfg. (16%); metal processing (11%); misc. industries (12%).
Biomass burning	0.35	Residential wood burning (11%); open burning (8%); wildfires (81%).
Waste disposal	0.053	Non-biomass incineration.
Natural sources[2]	3.1	Lightning (50%); soils(50%).
Total	*26*	

[1]Emissions are expressed in terms of NO_2.
[2]Estimated on the basis of data given in Guenther et al. (2000).

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2001).

Table AX2-6. Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds by Various Sources in the United States in 1999

Source	Emissions (10^{12} g/y)	Notes
On-road vehicles	4.8	Exhaust and evaporative losses from gasoline (95%) and diesel (5%) vehicles.
Non-road vehicles	2.9	Exhaust and evaporative losses from gasoline (80%) and diesel (12%) vehicles; aircraft and other sources (8%).
Fossil fuel combustion	0.27	Electrical utilities; industrial, commercial, institutional, and residential sources.
Chemical industrial processes	0.36	Mfg. of organic chemicals, polymers and resins, and misc. products.
Petroleum industrial processes	0.39	Oil and gas production (64%); refining (36%).
Other industrial processes	0.48	Metal processing (15%); wood processing (32%); agricultural product processing (21%); misc. processes (18%).
Solvent volatilization	4.4	Surface coatings (44%); other industrial uses (20%); non-industrial uses (e.g., pesticide application, consumer solvents) (36%).
Storage and transport of volatile compounds	1.1	Evaporative losses from petroleum products and other organic compounds.
Biomass burning	1.2	Residential wood combustion (37%); open burning (22%); agricultural burning (22%); wildfires (19%).
Waste disposal	0.53	Residential burning (63%); waste water (23%); landfills (6%); non-biomass incineration (8%).
Biogenic sources[1]	4.4	Approximately 98% emitted by vegetation. (Isoprene [35%], monoterpenes [25%], and all other reactive and non-reactive compounds [40%]).
Total	*21*	

[1]Estimated on the basis of data given in Guenther et al. (2000).

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2001).

Table AX2-7. Emissions of Ammonia by Various Sources in the United States in 1999

Source	Emissions (10^{12} g/y)	Notes
Exhaust from on-road and non-road engines and vehicles	0.25	Exhaust from on-road (96%) and non-road (4%) vehicles.
Fossil fuel combustion	0.044	Combustion by electric utilities, industry, commerce, institutions, residences.
Industry	0.18	Chemical manufacturing (67%); petroleum refining (9%); other industries (25%).
Agriculture	3.9	Livestock (82%); fertilizer application (18%).
Waste disposal and recycling	0.08	Wastewater treatment (99%).
Natural sources	0.032	Unmanaged soils; wild animals.
Total	*4.5*	

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2001).

Emissions of nitrogen oxides associated with combustion arise from contributions from both fuel nitrogen and atmospheric nitrogen. Sawyer et al. (2000) have reviewed the factors associated with NO_x emissions by mobile sources. Estimates of NO_x emissions from mobile sources are generally regarded as fairly reliable although further work is needed to clarify this point (Sawyer et al., 2000). Both nitrifying and denitrifying bacteria in the soil can produce NO_x, mainly in the form of NO. Emission rates depend mainly on fertilization levels and soil temperature. About 60% of the total NO_x emitted by soils occurs in the central corn belt of the United States. The oxidation of NH_3, emitted mainly by livestock and soils, leads to the formation of NO. Estimates of emissions from natural sources are less certain than those from anthropogenic sources.

Natural sources of oxides of nitrogen include lightning, oceans, and soil. Of these, as reviewed in AQCD 96, only soil emissions appear to have the potential to impact surface O_3 over the U.S. On a global scale, the contribution of soil emissions to the oxidized nitrogen budget is on the order of 10% (van Aardenne et al., 2001; Finlayson-Pitts and Pitts, 2000; Seinfeld and Pandis, 1998), but attempts to quantify emissions of NO_x from fertilized fields show great

Table AX2-8. Emissions of Carbon Monoxide by Various Sources in the United States in 1999

Source	Emissions (10^{12} g/y)	Notes
On-road vehicle exhaust	50	Gasoline-fueled light-duty cars (54%) and trucks (32%), heavy-duty trucks (9%); diesel vehicles (5%); motorcycles (0.4%).
Non-road engines and vehicle exhaust	25	Gasoline-fueled (lawn and garden [44%], light commercial [17%], recreational [14%], logging [4%], industry and construction [6%, other [1%]); diesel-fueled (5%); aircraft (4%); other (5%).
Fossil fuel combustion	2	Electric utilities (22%); industry (58%); commercial, institutional and residential combustion (20%).
Industrial Processes	3.7	Metal processing (45%); chemical mfg. (29%); petrochemical production; (10%); mineral products (5%); wood products (10%); misc. industries (1%).
Biomass burning	16	Residential wood burning (21%); open burning (21%); agricultural burning (41%); wildfires (17%).
Waste disposal	0.42	Non-biomass incineration.
Other	0.19	Structural fires (45%); storage and transport (38%); misc. sources (17%).
Biogenic emissions[1]	4.7+	Primary emissions from vegetation and soils; secondary formation (?).
Total	*102+*	

[1]Estimated on the basis of data given in Guenther et al. (2000).

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2001).

variability. Soil NO emissions can be estimated from the fraction of the applied fertilizer nitrogen emitted as NO_x, but the flux varies strongly with land use and temperature. The fraction nitrogen. Estimated globally averaged fractional applied nitrogen loss as NO varies from 0.3% (Skiba et al., 1997) to 2.5% (Yienger and Levy, 1995). Variability within biomes to which fertilizer is applied, such as shortgrass versus tallgrass prairie, accounts for a factor of three in uncertainty (Williams et al., 1992; Yienger and Levy, 1995; Davidson and Kingerlee, 1997).

The local contribution can be much greater than the global average, particularly in summer especially where corn is grown extensively. Williams et al. (1992) estimated that contributions from soils in Illinois contribute about 26% of the emissions from industrial and commercial processes in that State. In Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, and South Dakota soil emissions may dominate. Conversion of ammonium to nitrate (nitrification) in aerobic soils appears to be the dominant pathway to NO. The mass and chemical form of nitrogen (reduced or oxidized) applied to soils, the vegetative cover, temperature, soil moisture, and agricultural practices such as tillage all influence the amount of fertilizer nitrogen released as NO.

As pointed out in the previous AQCD for O_3, emissions of NO from soils peak in summer when O_3 formation is at a maximum. A recent NRC report outlined the role of agricultural in emissions of air pollutants including NO and NH_3 (NRC, 2002). That report recommends immediate implementation of best management practices to control these emissions, and further research to quantify the magnitude of emissions and the impact of agriculture on air quality. Civerolo and Dickerson (1998) report that use of the no-till cultivation technique on a fertilized cornfield in Maryland reduced NO emissions by a factor of seven.

Annual global production of NO by lightning is the most uncertain source of reactive nitrogen. In the last decade literature values of the production rate range from 2 to 20 Tg-N per year. However, the most likely range is from 3 to 8 Tg-N per year, because the majority of the recent estimates fall in this range. The large uncertainty stems from several factors: (1) a large range of NO production rates per flash (as much as two orders of magnitude); (2) the open question of whether cloud-to-ground (CG) flashes and intracloud flashes (IC) produce substantially different amounts of NO; (3) the global flash rate; and (4) the ratio of the number of IC flashes to the number of CG flashes. Estimates of the amount of NO produced per flash have been made based on theoretical considerations (e.g., Price et al., 1997), laboratory experiments (e.g., Wang et al., 1998); field experiments (e.g., Stith et al., 1999; Huntrieser et al., 2002), and through a combination of cloud-resolving model simulations, observed lightning flash rates, and anvil measurements of NO (e.g., DeCaria et al., 2000). The latter method was also used by Pickering et al. (1998), who showed that only ~5% to 20% of the total NO production by lightning in a given storms exists in the boundary layer at the end of a thunderstorm. Therefore, the direct contribution to boundary layer O_3 production by lightning NO is thought to be small. However, lightning NO production can contribute substantially to O_3 production in the middle

and upper troposphere. DeCaria et al. (2000) estimated that up to 7 ppbv of O_3 were produced in the upper troposphere in the first 24 hours following a Colorado thunderstorm due to the injection of lightning NO. A major uncertainty in mesoscale and global chemical transport models is the parameterization of lightning flash rates. Model variables such as cloud top height, convective precipitation rate, and upward cloud mass flux have been used to estimate flash rates. Allen and Pickering (2002) have evaluated these methods against observed flash rates from satellite, and examined the effects on O_3 production using each method.

Literally tens of thousands of organic compounds have been identified in plant tissues. However, most of these compounds either have sufficiently low volatility or are constrained so that they are not emitted in significant quantities. Less than 40 compounds have been identified by Guenther et al. (2000) as being emitted in large enough quantities to affect atmospheric composition. These compounds include terpenoid compounds (isoprene, 2-methyl-3-buten-2-ol, monoterpenes), compounds in the hexanal family, alkenes, aldehydes, organic acids, alcohols, ketones and alkanes. As can be seen from Table AX2-6, the major species emitted by plants are isoprene (35%), 19 other terpenoid compounds (25%) and 17 non-terpenoid compounds (40%) (Guenther et al., 2000). Of the latter, methanol contributes 12% of total emissions.

Because isoprene has been identified as the most abundant of biogenic VOCs (Guenther et al., 1995, 2000; Geron et al., 1994), it has been the focus of air quality model analyses in many published studies (Roselle, 1994; Sillman et al., 1995). The original Biogenic Emission Inventory System (BEIS) of Pierce et al. (1991) used a branch-level isoprene emission factor of 14.7 μg (g-foliar dry mass)$^{-1}$ h^{-1} for high isoprene emitting species (e.g., oaks, or North American *Quercus* species). When considering self-shading of foliage within branch enclosures, this is roughly equivalent to a leaf level emission rate of 20 to 30 μg-C (g-foliar dry mass)$^{-1}$ h^{-1} (Guenther at al, 1995). Geron et al (1994) reviewed studies between 1990 and 1994 and found that a much higher leaf-level rate of 70 μg-C (g-foliar dry mass)$^{-1}$ h^{-1} $\pm$ 50% was more realistic, and this rate was used in BEIS2 for high isoprene emitting tree species. BEIS3 (Guenther et al., 2000) applied similar emission factors at tree species levels (Geron et al 2000a, 2001) and more recent canopy environment models to estimate isoprene fluxes.

The results from several studies of isoprene emission measurements made at leaf, branch, tree, forest stand, and landscape levels have been used to test the accuracy of BEIS2 and BEIS3. These comparisons are documented in Geron et al. (1997) and Guenther et al. (2000). The

results of these studies support the higher emission factors used in BEIS2 and BEIS3. Typically, leaf emission factors (normalized to standard conditions of PAR = 1000 μmol m^{-2} and leaf temperature of 30 °C) measured at the top of tree canopies equal or exceed those used in BEIS2/3, while those in more shaded portions of the canopy tend to be lower than those assumed in the models, likely due to differences in developmental environments of leaves within the canopy (Monson et al., 1994; Sharkey et al., 1996; Harley et al., 1996; Geron et al., 2000b). Uncertainty in isoprene emissions due to variability in forest composition and leaf area remain in BVOC emission models and inventories. Seasonality and moisture stress also impact isoprene emission, but algorithms to simulate these effects are currently fairly crude (Guenther et al, 2000). The bulk of biogenic emissions occur during the summer, because of their dependence on temperature and incident sunlight. Biogenic emissions are also higher in southern states than in northern states for these reasons. The uncertainty associated with natural emissions ranges from about 50% for isoprene under midday summer conditions to about a factor of ten for other compounds (Guenther et al., 2000). In assessing the relative importance of these compounds, it should be borne in mind that the oxidation of many of the classes of compounds result in the formation of secondary organic aerosol and that many of the intermediate products may be sufficiently long lived to affect O_3 formation in areas far removed from where they were emitted. The oxidation of isoprene can also contribute about 10% of the source of CO (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2000). Direct emissions of CO by vegetation is of much smaller importance. Soil microbes both emit and take up atmospheric CO, however, soil microbial activity appears to represent a net sink for CO.

Emissions from biomass burning depend strongly on the stage of combustion. Smoldering combustion, especially involving forest ecosystems favors the production of CH_4, NMHC and CO at the expense of CO_2, whereas active combustion produces more CO_2 relative to the other compounds mentioned above. Typical emissions ratios (defined as moles of compound per moles of emitted CO_2 expressed as a percentage) range from 6 to 14% for CO, 0.6 to 1.6% for CH_4, and 0.3 to 1.1% for NMHCs (Andreae, 1991). Most NMHC emissions are due to emissions of lighter compounds, containing 2 or 3 carbon atoms.

AX2.5.3 Observationally-Based Models

As an alternative to chemistry-transport models, observationally-based methods (OBMs), which seek to infer O_3-precursor relations by relying more heavily on ambient measurements, can be used. Observationally-based methods are intuitively attractive because they provide an estimate of the O_3-precursor relationship based directly on observations of the precursors. These methods rely on observations as much as possible to avoid many of the uncertainties associated with chemistry/transport models (e.g., emission inventories and meteorological processes). However, these methods have large uncertainties with regards to photochemistry. As originally conceived, the observation-based approaches were intended to provide an alternative method for evaluating critical issues associated with urban O_3 formation. The proposed OBMs include calculations driven by ambient measurements (Chameides et al., 1992; Cardelino et al., 1995) and proposed "rules of thumb" that seek to show whether O_3 is primarily sensitive to NO_x or to VOC concentrations (Sillman, 1995; Chang et al., 1997; Tonnesen and Dennis, 2000a,b; Blanchard et al., 1999; Blanchard, 2000). These methods are controversial when used as "stand-alone" rules, because significant uncertainties and possible errors have been identified for all the methods (Chameides et al., 1988, Lu and Chang, 1998, Sillman and He, 2002; Blanchard and Stockenius, 2001). Methods such as these are most promising for use in combination with chemistry/transport models principally for evaluating the accuracy of model predictions.

Recent results (Tonnesen and Dennis, 2000a; Kleinman et al., 1997; 2000, 2001; Kleinman, 2000) suggest that ambient VOC and NO_x data can be used to identify the instantaneous production rate for O_3 and how the production rate varies with concentrations of NO_x and VOCs. The instantaneous production rate for O_3 is only one of the factors that affect the total O_3 concentration, because O_3 concentrations result from photochemistry and transport over time periods ranging from several hours to several days in regional pollution events. Ozone concentrations can be affected by distant emissions and by photochemical conditions at upwind locations, rather than instantaneous production at the site. Despite this limitation, significant information can be obtained by interpreting ambient NO_x and VOC measurements. Kleinman et al. (1997, 2000, 2001) and Tonnesen and Dennis (2000a) both derived simple expressions that relate the NO_x-VOC sensitivity of instantaneous O_3 production to ambient VOC and NO_x. These expressions usually involve summed VOC weighted by reactivity.

Cardelino et al. (1995, 2000) developed a method that seeks to identify O_3-NO_x-VOC sensitivity based on ambient NO_x and VOC data. Their method involves an area-wide sum of instantaneous production rates over an ensemble of measurement sites, which serve to represent the photochemical conditions associated with O_3 production in metropolitan areas. Their method, which relies on routine monitoring methods, is especially useful because it permits evaluation for a full season rather than just for individual episodes.

AX2.5.4 Chemistry-Transport Model Evaluation

The comparison of model predictions with ambient measurements represents a critical task for establishing the accuracy of photochemical models and evaluating their ability to serve as the basis for making effective control strategy decisions. The evaluation of a model's performance, or its adequacy to perform the tasks for which it was designed can only be conducted within the context of measurement errors and artifacts. Not only are there analytical problems, but there are also problems in assessing the representativeness of monitors at ground level for comparison with model values which represent typically an average over the volume of a grid box.

Chemistry-transport models for O_3 formation at the urban/regional scale have traditionally been evaluated based on their ability to correctly simulate O_3. A series of performance statistics that measure the success of individual model simulations to represent the observed distribution of ambient O_3, as represented by a network of surface measurements were recommended in U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1991; see also Russell and Dennis, 2000). These statistics consist of the following:

- Unpaired peak O_3 within a metropolitan region (typically for a single day).
- Normalized bias equal to the summed difference between model and measured hourly concentrations divided by the sum of measured hourly concentrations.
- Normalized gross error, equal to the summed unsigned (absolute value) difference between model and measured hourly concentrations divided by the sum of measured hourly concentrations.

Unpaired peak prediction accuracy, A_u;

$$A_u = \frac{C_p(x,t)_{\max} - C_o(x',t')_{\max}}{C_o(x',t')_{\max}} * 100\%, \quad \text{(AX2-49)}$$

Normalized bias, D;

$$D = \frac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\frac{\{C_p(x_i,t) - C_o(x_i,t)\}}{C_o(x_i,t)}, \quad t = 1, 24. \quad \text{(AX2-50)}$$

Gross error, E_d (for hourly observed values of O_3 >60 ppb)

$$E_d = \frac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\frac{\left|C_p(x_i,t) - C_o(x_i,t)\right|}{C_o(x_i,t)}, \quad t = 1, 24. \quad \text{(AX2-51)}$$

The following performance criteria for regulatory models were recommended in U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1991): unpaired peak O_3 to within ±15% or ±20%; normalized bias within ±5% to ±15%; and normalized gross error less than 30% to 35%, but only when O_3 >60 ppb. This can lead to difficulties in evaluating model performance since nighttime and diurnal cycles are ignored. A major problem with this method of model evaluation is that it does not provide any information about the accuracy of O_3-precursor relations predicted by the model. The process of O_3 formation is sufficiently complex that models can predict O_3 correctly without necessarily representing the O_3 formation process properly. If the O_3 formation process is incorrect, then the modeled source-receptor relations will also be incorrect.

Studies by Sillman et al. (1995, 2003), Reynolds et al. (1996) and Pierce et al. (1998) have identified instances in which different model scenarios can be created with very different O_3-precursor sensitivity, but without significant differences in the predicted O_3 fields. Figures AX2-21a,b provide an example. Referring to the O_3-NO_x-VOC isopleth plot (Figure AX2-22), it can be seen that similar O_3 concentrations can be found for photochemical conditions that have very different sensitivity to NO_x and VOCs.

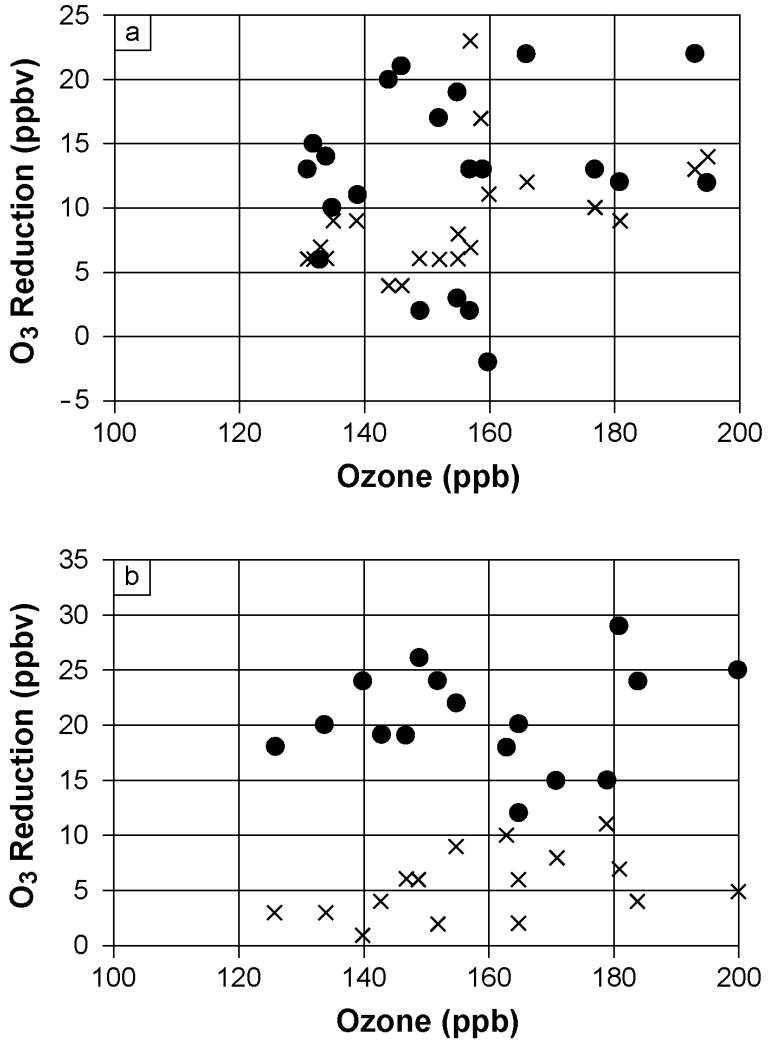

Figure AX2-21a,b. Impact of model uncertainty on control strategy predictions for O_3 for two days (August 10[a] and 11[b], 1992) in Atlanta, GA. The figures show the predicted reduction in peak O_3 resulting from 35% reductions in anthropogenic VOC emissions (crosses) and from 35% reductions in NO_x (solid circles) in a series of model scenarios with varying base case emissions, wind fields, and mixed layer heights.

Source: Results are plotted from tabulated values published in Sillman et al. (1995, 1997).

Global-scale chemistry-transport models have generally been evaluated by comparison with measurements for a wide array of species, rather than just for O_3 (e.g., Wang et al., 1998; Emmons et al., 2000; Bey et al., 2001b; Hess, 2001; Fiore et al., 2002). These have included evaluation of major primary species (NO_x, CO, and selected VOCs) and an array of secondary

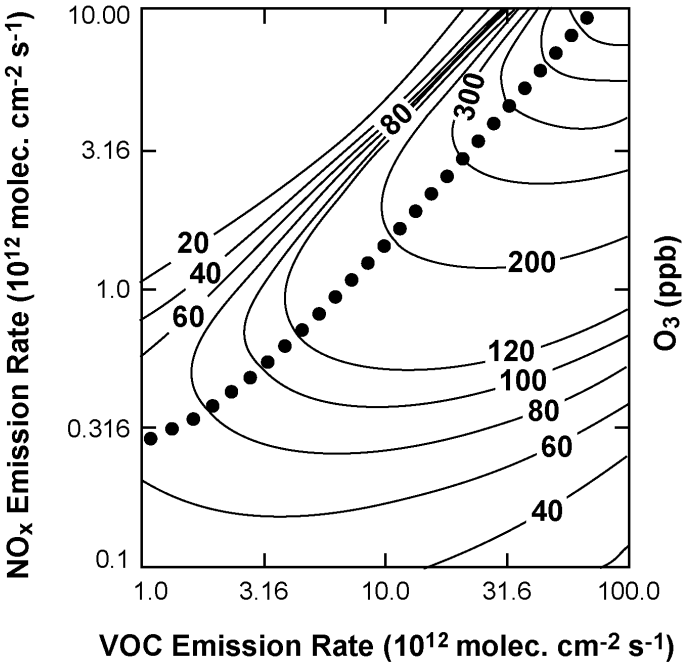

Figure AX2-22. Ozone isopleths (ppb) as a function of the average emission rate for NO_x and VOC (10^{12} molec. cm^{-2} s^{-1}) in zero dimensional box model calculations. The isopleths (solid lines) represent conditions during the afternoon following 3-day calculations with a constant emission rate, at the hour corresponding to maximum O_3. The ridge line (shown by solid circles) lies in the transition from NO_x-saturated to NO_x-limited conditions.

species (HNO_3, PAN, H_2O_2) that are often formed concurrently with O_3. Models for urban/regional O_3 have also been evaluated against a broader ensemble of measurements in a few cases, often associated with measurement intensives (e.g., Jacobson et al., 1996, Lu et al., 1997; Sillman et al., 1998). The results of a comparison between observed and computed concentrations from Jacobson et al. (1996) for the Los Angeles Basin are shown in Figures AX2-23a,b.

The highest concentrations of primary species usually occur in close proximity to emission sources (typically in urban centers) and at times when dispersion rates are low. The diurnal cycle includes high concentrations at night, with maxima during the morning rush hour, and low concentrations during the afternoon (Figure AX2-23a). The afternoon minima are driven by the much greater rate of vertical mixing at that time. Primary species also show a seasonal

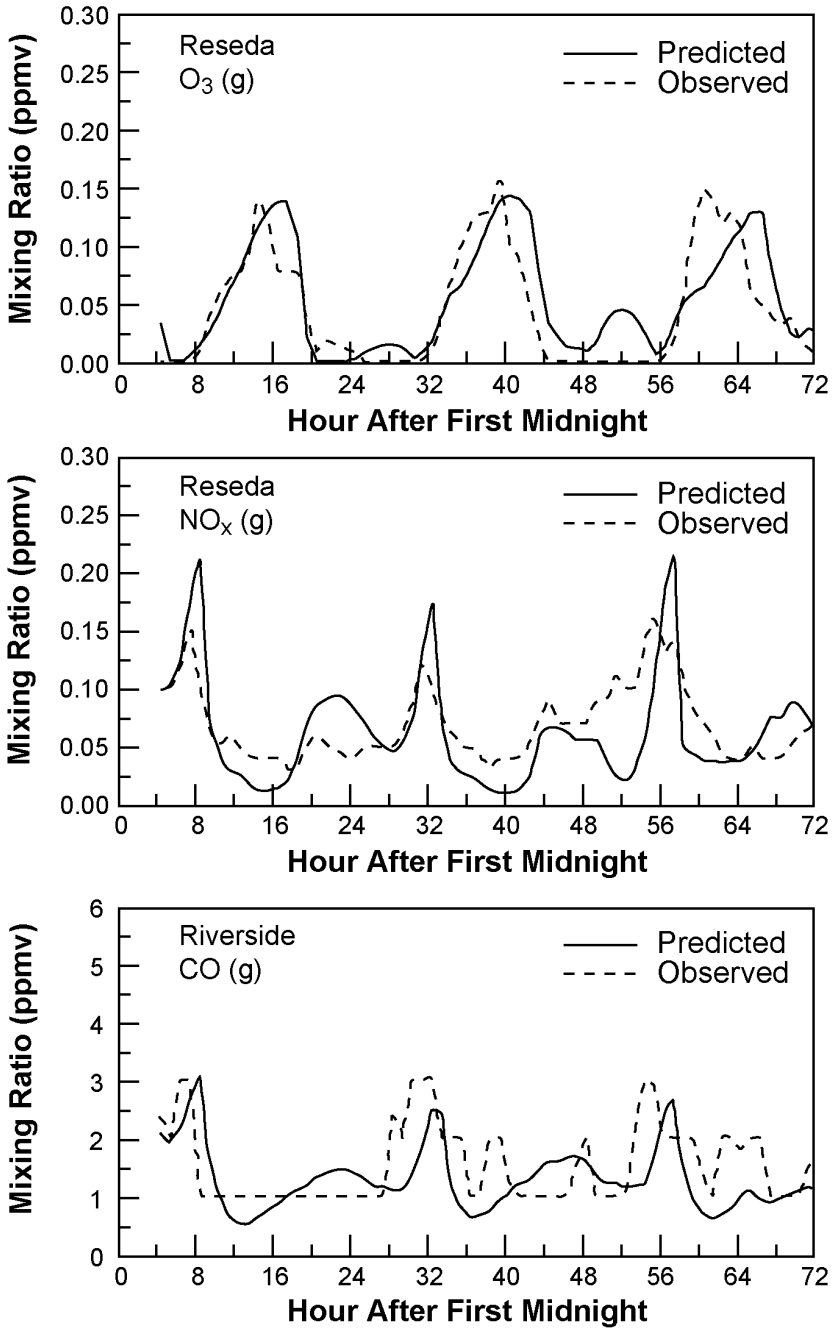

Figure AX2-23a. Time series for measured gas-phase species in comparison with results from a photochemical model. The dashed lines represent measurements, and solid lines represent model predictions (in parts per million, ppmv) for August 26 – 28, 1988 at sites in southern California. The horizontal axis represents hours past midnight, August 25. Results represent O_3 and NO_x at Reseda and CO at Riverside.

Source: Jacobson et al. (1996).

maximum during winter, and are often high during fog episodes in winter when vertical mixing , is suppressed. By contrast, secondary species such as O_3 are typically highest during the afternoon (the time of greatest photochemical activity), on sunny days and during summer. During these conditions concentrations of primary species may be relatively low. Strong correlations between primary and secondary species are generally observed only in downwind rural areas where all anthropogenic species are high simultaneously. The difference in the diurnal cycles of primary species (CO, NO_x and ethane)and secondary species (O_3, PAN and HCHO) is evident in Figure AX2-23b.

Models for urban/regional O_3 have been evaluated less extensively than global-scale models in part because the urban/regional context presents a number of difficult challenges. Global-scale models typically represent continental-scale events and can be evaluated effectively against a sparse network of measurements. By contrast, urban/regional models are critically dependent on the accuracy of local emission inventories and event-specific meteorology, and must be evaluated separately for each urban area that is represented.

The evaluation of urban/regional models is also limited by the availability of data. Measured NO_x and speciated VOC concentrations are widely available through the EPA PAMs network, but questions have been raised about the accuracy of those measurements and the data have not yet been analyzed thoroughly. Evaluation of urban/regional models versus measurements has generally relied on results from a limited number of field studies in the United States. Short term research-grade measurements for species relevant to O_3 formation, including VOCs, NO_x, PAN, nitric acid (HNO_3) and hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2) are also widely available at rural and remote sites (e.g., Daum et al., 1990, 1996; Martin et al., 1997; Young et al., 1997; Thompson et al., 2000; Hoell et al., 1996, 1997; Fehsenfeld et al., 1996a; Emmons et al., 2000; Hess, 2001; Carroll et al., 2001). The equivalent measurements are available for some polluted rural sites in the eastern United States (e.g.) but only at a few urban locations (Meagher et al., 1998; Hübler et al., 1998; Kleinman et al., 2000, 2001; Fast et al., 2002; new SCAQS-need reference). Extensive measurements have also been made in Vancouver (Steyn et al., 1997) and in several European cities (Staffelbach et al., 1997; Prévôt et al., 1997, Dommen et al., 1999; Geyer et al., 2001; Thielman et al., 2001; Martilli et al., 2002; Vautard et al., 2002).

The results of straightforward comparisons between observed and predicted concentrations of O_3 can be misleading because of compensating errors, although this possibility is diminished

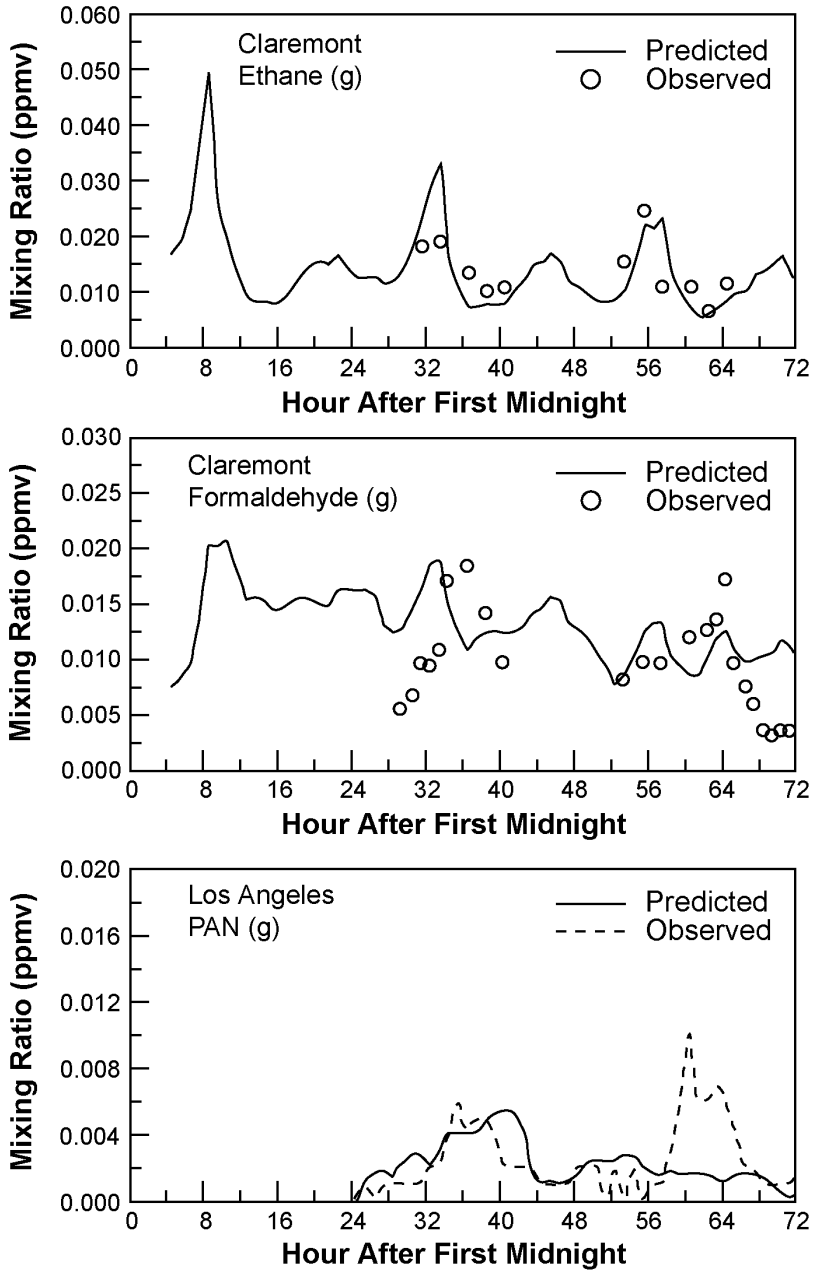

Figure AX2-23b. Time series for measured gas-phase species in comparison with results from a photochemical model. The circles represent measurements, and solid lines represent model predictions (in parts per million, ppmv) for August 26 – 28, 1988 at sites in southern California. The horizontal axis represents hours past midnight, August 25. Results represent ethane and formaldehyde at Claremont, and PAN at Los Angeles.

Source: Jacobson et al. (1996).

when a number of species are compared. Ideally, each of the main modules of a chemistry-transport model system (for example, the meteorological model and the chemistry and radiative transfer routines) should be evaluated separately. However, this is rarely done in practice. To better indicate how well physical and chemical processes are being represented in the model, comparisons of relations between concentrations measured in the field and concentrations predicted by the model can be made. These comparisons could involve ratios and correlations between species. For example, correlation coefficients could be calculated between primary species as a means of evaluating the accuracy of emission inventories; or between secondary species as a means of evaluating the treatment of photochemistry in the model. In addition, spatial relations involving individual species (correlations, gradients) can also be used as a means of evaluating the accuracy of transport parameterizations. Sillman and He (2002) examined differences in correlation patterns between O_3 and NO_z in Los Angeles, CA, Nashville, TN and various sites in the rural United States. Model calculations (Figure AX2-24) show differences in correlation patterns associated with differences in the sensitivity of O_3 to NO_x and VOCs. Primarily NO_x-sensitive (NO_x-limited) areas in models show a strong correlation between O_3 and NO_z with a relatively steep slope, while primarily VOC-sensitive (NO_x-saturated) areas in models show lower O_3 for a given NO_z and a lower O_3-NO_z slope. They found that differences found in measured data ensembles were matched by predictions from chemical transport models. Measurements in rural areas in the eastern U.S. show differences in the pattern of correlations for O_3 versus NO_z between summer and autumn (Jacob et al., 1995; Hirsch et al., 1996), corresponding to the transition from NO_x-limited to NO_x-saturated patterns, a feature which is also matched by chemistry-transport models.

The difference in correlations between secondary species in NO_x-limited to NO_x-saturated environments can also be used to evaluate the accuracy of model predictions in individual applications. Figures AX2-25a and AX2-25b show results for two different model scenarios for Atlanta. As shown in the figures, the first model scenario predicts an urban plume with high NO_y and O_3 formation apparently suppressed by high NO_y. Measurements show much lower NO_y in the Atlanta plume. This error was especially significant because the model locations with high NO_y were not sensitive to NO_x, while locations with lower NO_y were primarily sensitive to NO_x. The second model scenario (with primarily NO_x-sensitive conditions) shows much better agreement with measured values. Figure AX2-26a,b shows model-measurement

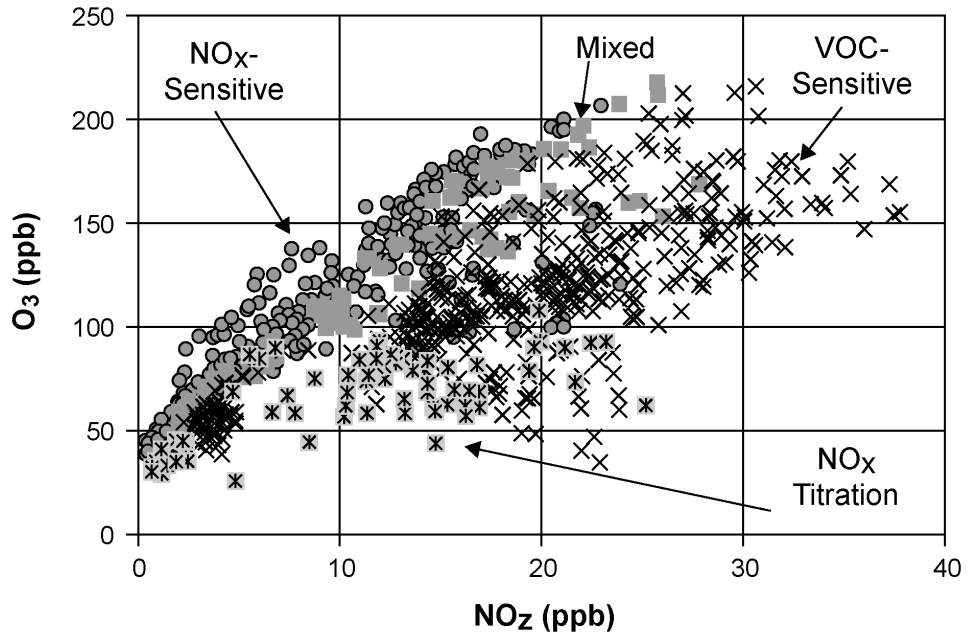

Figure AX2-24. Correlations for O_3 versus NO_z (NO_y – NO_x) in ppb from chemical transport models for the northeast corridor, Lake Michigan, Nashville, the San Joaquin Valley and Los Angeles. Each location is classified as NO_x-limited or NO_x-sensitive (circles), NO_x-saturated or VOC-sensitive (crosses), mixed or with near-zero sensitivity (squares), and dominated by NO_x titration (asterisks) based on the model response to reduced NO_x and VOC.

Source: Sillman and He (2002).

comparisons for secondary species in Nashville, showing better agreement with measured conditions. Greater confidence in the predictions made by chemistry-transport models will be gained by the application of techniques such as these on a more routine basis.

The ability of chemical mechanisms to calculate the concentrations of free radicals under atmospheric conditions was tested in the Berlin Ozone Experiment, BERLIOZ (Volz-Thomas et al., 2003) during July and early August at a site located about 50 km NW of Berlin. (This location was chosen as O_3 episodes in central Europe are often associated with SE winds.) Concentrations of major compounds such as O_3, hydrocarbons, etc., were fixed at observed values. In this regard, the protocol used in this evaluation is an example of an observationally based method. Figure AX2-27 compares the concentrations of RO_2 (organic peroxy), HO_2

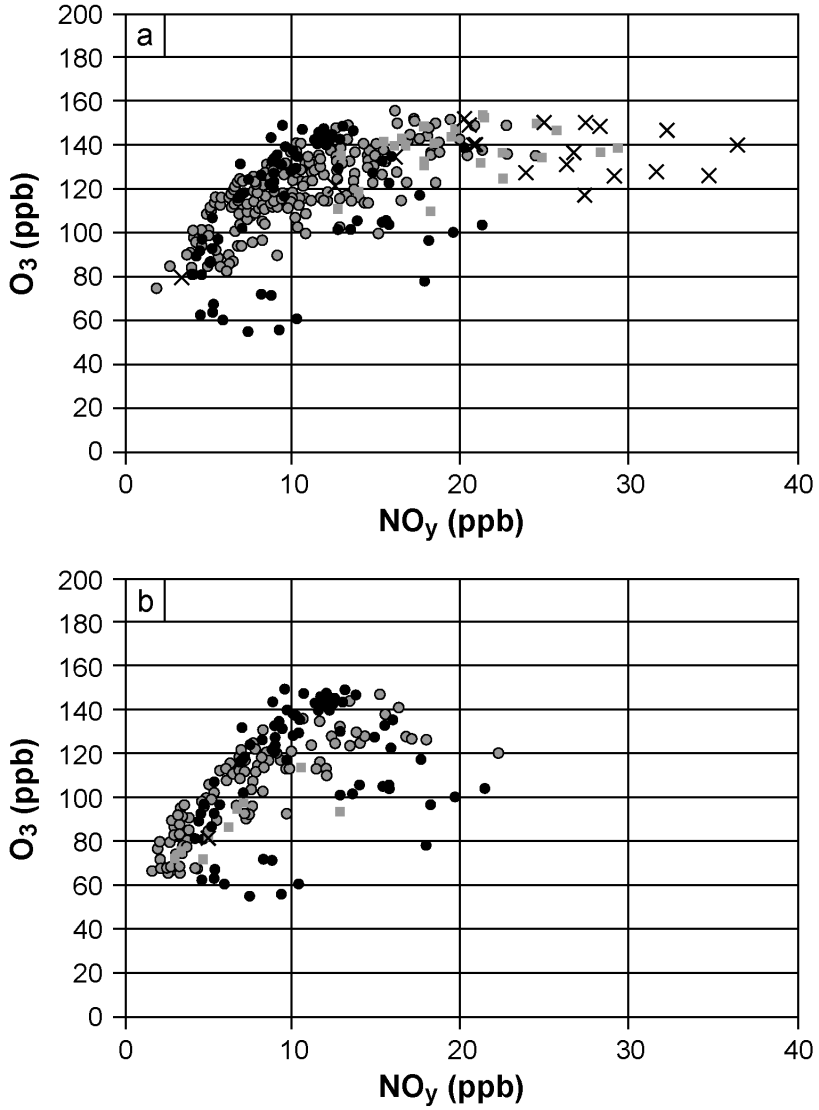

Figure AX2-25a,b. Evaluation of model versus measured O_3 versus NO_y for two model scenarios for Atlanta. The model values are classified as NO_x-limited (circles), NO_x-saturated (crosses), or mixed or with low sensitivity to NO_x (squares). Diamonds represent aircraft measurements.

Source: Sillman et al. (1997).

(hydroperoxy) and OH (hydroxyl) radicals predicted by RACM (regional air chemistry mechanism; Stockwell et al., 1997) and MCM (master chemical mechanism; Jenkin et al, 1997 with updates) with observations made by the laser induced fluorescence (LIF) technique and by

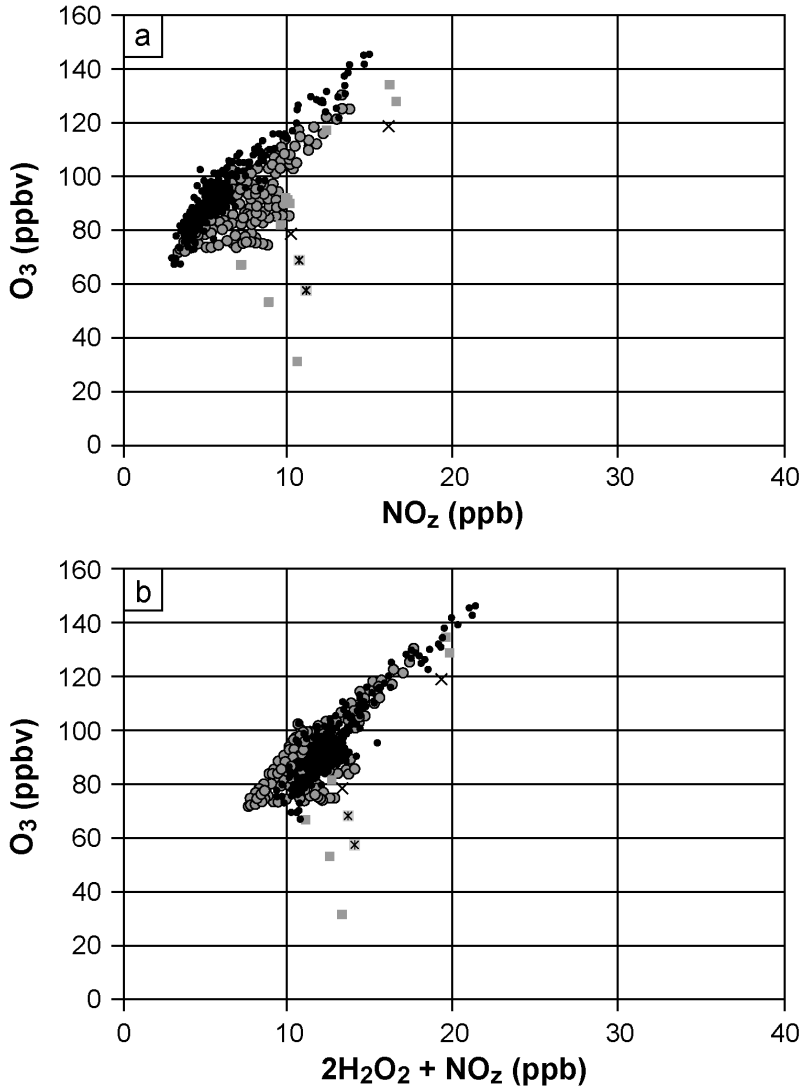

Figure AX2-26a,b. Evaluation of model versus: (a) measured O_3 versus NO_z and (b) O_3 versus the sum $2H_2O_2 + NO_z$ for Nashville, TN. The model values are classified as NO_x-limited (gray circles), NO_x-saturated (×s), mixed or with near-zero sensitivity (squares), or dominated by NO_x titration (filled circles). Diamonds represent aircraft measurements.

Source: Sillman et al. (1998).

matrix isolation ESR spectroscopy (MIESR). Also shown are the production rates of O_3 calculated using radical concentrations predicted by the mechanisms and those obtained by measurements, and measurements of NO_x concentrations. As can be seen, there is good

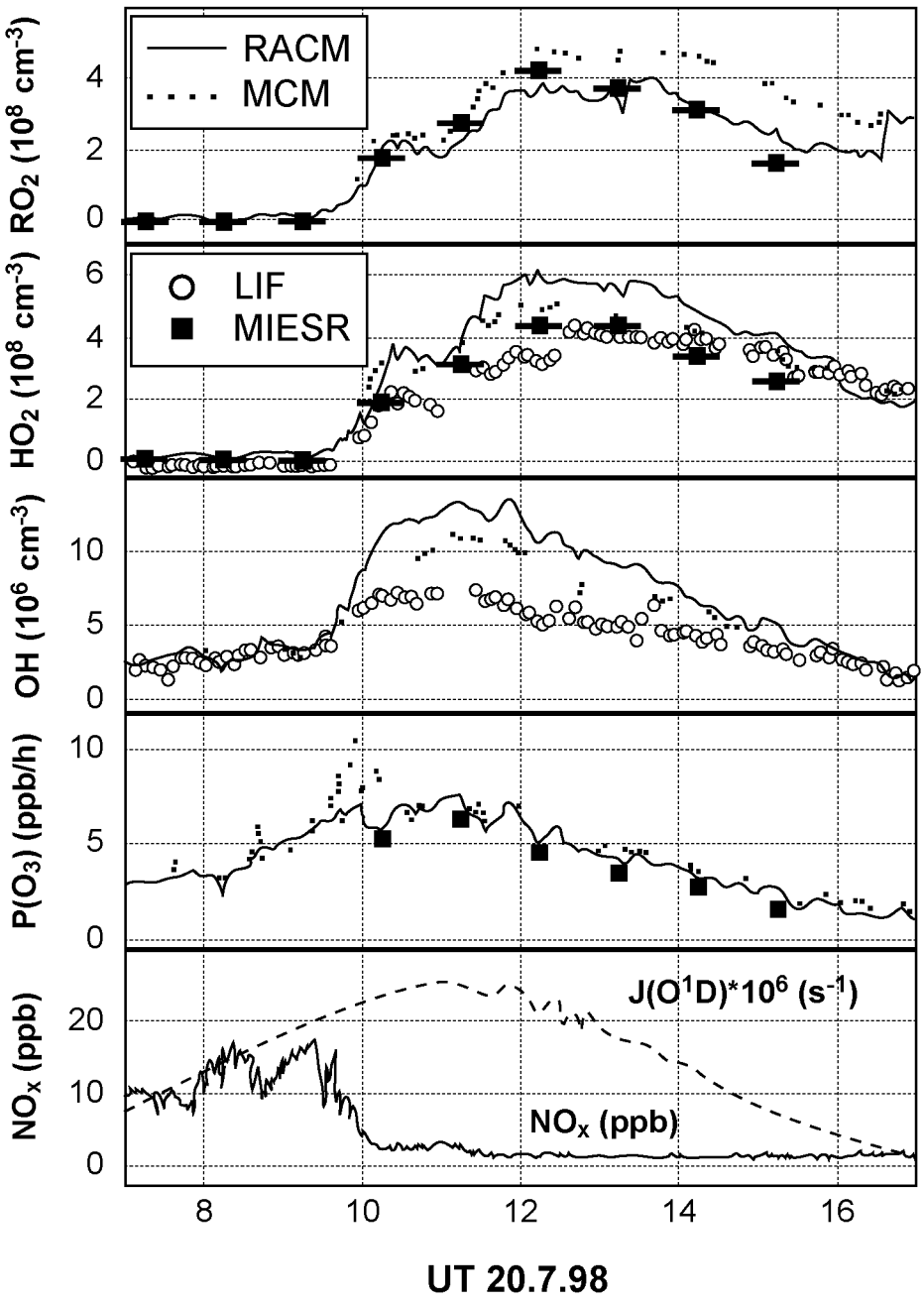

Figure AX2-27. Time series of concentrations of RO_2, HO_2, and OH radicals, local O_3 photochemical production rate and concentrations of NO_x from measurements made during BERLIOZ. Also shown are comparisons with results of photochemical box model calculations using the RACM and MCM chemical mechanisms.

Source: Volz-Thomas et al. (2003).

agreement between measurements of organic peroxy, hydroperoxy and hydroxyl radicals with values predicted by both mechanisms at high concentrations of NO_x (> 10 ppb). However, at lower NO_x concentrations, both mechanisms substantially overestimate OH concentrations and moderately overestimate HO_2 concentrations. Agreement between models and measurements is generally better for organic peroxy radicals, although the MCM appears to overestimate their concentrations somewhat. In general, the mechanisms reproduced the HO_2 to OH and RO_2 to OH ratios better than the individual measurements. The production of O_3 was found to increase linearly with NO (for NO <0.3 ppb) and to decrease with NO (for NO >0.5 ppb).

OH and HO_2 concentrations measured during the $PM_{2.5}$ Technology Assessment and Characterization Study conducted at Queens College in New York City in the summer of 2001 were also compared with those predicted by RACM (Ren et al., 2003). The ratio of observed to predicted HO_2 concentrations over a diurnal cycle was 1.24 and the ratio of observed to predicted OH concentrations was about 1.10 during the day, but the mechanism significantly underestimated OH concentrations during the night.

AXA.5.4.1 Evaluation of Emissions Inventories

Comparisons of emissions model predictions with observations have been performed in a number of environments. A number of studies of ratios of concentrations of CO to NO_x and NMOC to NO_x during the early 1990s in tunnels and ambient air (summarized in Air Quality Criteria for Carbon Monoxide [U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2000]) indicated that emissions of CO and NMOC were systematically underestimated in emissions inventories. However, the results of more recent studies have been mixed in this regard, with many studies showing agreement to within ± 50% (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2000). Improvements in many areas have resulted from the process of emissions model development, evaluation, and further refinement. It should be remembered that the conclusions from these reconciliation studies depend on the assumption that NO_x emissions are predicted correctly by emissions factor models. Road side remote sensing data indicate that over 50% of NMHC and CO emissions are produced by less than about 10% of the vehicles (Stedman et al., 1991). These "super-emitters" are typically poorly maintained vehicles. Vehicles of any age engaged in off-cycle operations (e.g., rapid accelerations) emit much more than if operated in normal driving

modes. Bishop and Stedman (1996) found that the most important variables governing CO emissions are fleet age and owner maintenance.

Emissions inventories for North America can be evaluated with comparisons to measured long-term trends and or ratios of pollutants in ambient air. A decadal field study of ambient CO at a rural cite in the Eastern U.S. (Hallock-Waters et al., 1999) indicates a downward trend consistent with the downward trend in estimated emissions over the period 1988 to 1999 (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1997), even when a global downward trend is accounted for. Measurements at two urban areas in the United States confirmed the decrease in CO emissions (Parrish et al., 2002). That study also indicated that the ratio of CO to NO_x emissions decreased by almost a factor of three over 12 yr (such a downward trend was noted in AQCD 96). Emissions estimates (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1997) indicate a much smaller decrease in this ratio, suggesting that NO_x emissions from mobile sources may be underestimated and/or increasing. The authors conclude that O_3 photochemistry in U.S. urban areas may have become more NO_x-limited over the past decade.

Pokharel et al. (2002) employed remotely-sensed emissions from on-road vehicles and fuel use data to estimate emissions in Denver. Their calculations indicate a continual decrease in CO, HC, and NO emissions from mobile sources over the 6 yr study period. Inventories based on the ambient data were 30 to 70% lower for CO, 40% higher for HC, and 40 to 80% lower for NO than those predicted by the recent MOBILE6 model.

Stehr et al. (2000) reported simultaneous measurements of CO, SO_2 and NO_y at an East Coast site. By taking advantage of the nature of mobile sources (they emit NO_x and CO but little SO_2) and power plants (they emit NO_x and SO_2 but little CO), the authors evaluated emissions estimates for the eastern United States. Results indicated that coal combustion contributes 25 to 35% of the total NO_x emissions in agreement with emissions inventories (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1997).

Parrish et al. (1998) and Parrish and Fehsenfeld (2000) proposed methods to derive emission rates by examining measured ambient ratios among individual VOC, NO_x and NO_y. There is typically a strong correlation among measured values for these species (e.g., Figure AX2-14) because emission sources are geographically collocated, even when individual sources are different. Correlations can be used to derive emissions ratios between species, including adjustments for the impact of photochemical aging. Investigations of this type include

correlations between CO and NO_y (e.g., Parrish et al., 1991), between individual VOC species and NO_y (Goldan et al., 1995,1997, 2001; Harley et al., 1997) and between various individual VOC (Goldan et al., 1995, 1997; McKeen and Liu, 1993; McKeen et al., 1996). Buhr et al. (1992) derived emission estimates from principal component analysis (PCA) and other statistical methods. Many of these studies are summarized in Trainer et al. (2000), Parrish et al. (1998), and Parrish and Fehsenfeld (2000). Goldstein and Schade (2000) also used species correlations to identify the relative impacts of anthropogenic and biogenic emissions. Chang et al. (1996, 1997) and Mendoza-Dominguez and Russell (2000, 2001) used the more formal techniques of inverse modeling to derive emission rates, in conjunction with results from chemistry-transport models. Another concern regarding the use of emissions inventories is that emissions from all significant sources have been included. This may not always be the case. As an example, hydrocarbon seeps from off-shore oil fields may represent a significant source of reactive organic compounds in near by coastal areas (Quigley et al., 1999).

AX2.5.4.2 Availability and Accuracy of Ambient Measurements

The use of methods such as observationally based methods or source apportionment models, either as stand-alone methods or as a basis for evaluating chemistry/transport models, is often limited by the availability and accuracy of measurements. Measured speciated VOC and NO_x are widely available in the United States through the PAMS network. However, challenges have been raised about both the accuracy of the measurements and their applicability.

Parrish et al. (1998) and Parrish and Fehsenfeld (2000) developed a series of quality assurance tests for speciated VOC measurements. Essentially these tests used ratios among individual VOC with common emission sources to identify whether the variations in species ratios were consistent with the relative photochemical lifetimes of individual species. These tests were based on a number of assumptions: the ratio between ambient concentrations of long-lived species should show relatively little variation among measurements affected by a common emissions sources; and the ratio between ambient concentrations of long-lived and short-lived species should vary in a way that reflects photochemical aging at sites more different from source regions. Parrish et al. used these expectations to establish criteria for rejecting apparent errors in measurements. They found that the ratios among alkenes at many PAMS sites did not show variations that would be expected due to photochemical aging.

The PAMs network currently includes measured NO and NO_x. However, Cardelino and Chameides (2000) reported that measured NO during the afternoon was frequently at or below the detection limit of the instruments (1 ppb), even in large metropolitan regions (Washington, DC; Houston, TX; New York, NY). NO_x measurements are made with commercial chemilluminescent detectors with molybdenum converters. However these measurements typically include some organic nitrates in addition to NO_x, and cannot be interpreted as a "pure" NO_x measurement (see summary in Parrish and Fehsenfeld, 2000).

Total reactive nitrogen (NO_y) is included in the PAMS network only at a few sites. The possible expansion of PAMS to include more widespread NO_y measurements has been suggested (McClenny, 2000). A major issue concerning measured NO_y is the possibility that HNO_3, a major component of NO_y, is sometimes lost in inlet tubes and not measured (Luke et al., 1998; Parrish and Fehsenfeld, 2000). This problem is especially critical if measured NO_y is used to identify NO_x-limited versus NO_x-saturated conditions. The correlation between O_3 and NO_y differs for NO_x-limited versus NO_x-saturated locations, but this difference is driven primarily by differences in the ratio of O_3 to HNO_3. If HNO_3 were omitted from the NO_y measurements, than the measurements would represent a biased estimate and their use would be problematic.

AX2.6 TECHNIQUES FOR MEASURING OZONE AND ITS PRECURSORS

AX2.6.1 Sampling and Analysis of Ozone

Numerous techniques have been developed for sampling and measurement of O_3 in the ambient atmosphere at ground level. As noted above, sparse surface networks tend to underestimate maximum O_3 concentrations. Today, monitoring is conducted almost exclusively with UV absorption spectrometry with commercial short path instruments, a method that has been thoroughly evaluated in clean air. The ultimate reference method is a relatively long-path UV absorption instrument maintained under carefully controlled conditions at NIST (e.g., Fried and Hodgeson, 1982). Episodic measurements are made with a variety of other techniques based on the principles of chemiluminescence, electrochemistry, DOAS, and LIDAR. The rationale, history, and calibration of O_3 measurements were summarized in AQCD 96, so this section will

focus on the current state of ambient O_3 measurement, tests for artifacts, and on new developments.

Several reports in the reviewed scientific literature have investigated interferences in O_3 detection via UV radiation absorption. Kleindienst et al. (1993) investigated the effects of water vapor and VOCs on instruments based on both UV absorption and chemiluminescence. They concluded that water vapor had no significant impact on UV absorption-based instruments, but could cause a positive interference of up to 9% in chemiluminescence-based detectors at high humidities (dew point of 24 C). In smog chamber studies, aromatic compounds and their oxidation products were found to generate a positive but small interference in the UV absorption instruments. Kleindienst et al. concluded that "when the results are scaled back to ambient concentrations of toluene and NO_x, the effect appears to be very minor (ca. 3 percent under the study conditions)." Narita et al. (1998) tested organic and inorganic compounds and found response to several, but not at levels likely to interfere with accurate determination of O_3 in an urban environment. More recently, Arshinov et al. (2002) reported a positive interference in UV absorption instruments from ambient aerosols, but this interference is eliminated by use of appropriate particle filters. The possibility for substantive interferences in O_3 detection exists, but such interferences have not been observed even in urban plumes. Ryerson et al. (1998) measured O_3 with UV absorption and chemiluminescence instruments operated off a common inlet on the NOAA WP-3 research aircraft. As reported by Parrish and Fehsenfeld (2000) "Through five field missions over four years, excellent correlations were found between the measurements of the two instruments, although the chemiluminescence instrument was systematically low (5%) throughout some flights. The data sets include many passes through the Nashville urban plume. There was never any indication (< 1%) that the UV instrument measured systematically higher in the urban plume." The same group tested the air of Houston, El Paso, Nashville, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and the East Coast. They observed only one instance of substantive positive interference defined as the UV absorption technique showing more than a few ppb more than the CL. This occurred in Laporte, TX under heavily polluted conditions and a low inversion, at night (Jobson et al., 2004).

Leston et al. (2005) reported positive and negative interferences in UV absorption techniques for measuring O_3 (relative to the CL technique) in Mexico City and in a smog chamber study. They suggested that O_3 measured in ambient air could be too high by 20 to

40 ppb under specific conditions due to positive interference by a number of organic compounds, mainly those produced during the oxidation of aromatic hydrocarbons and some primary compounds such as styrene and naphthalene. However, they did not collocate CL and UV instruments at any ambient air monitoring sites in the United States. In addition, the concentrations of these compounds were many times higher in both of these environments than are typically found at ambient air monitoring sites in the United States. Although Hg is also potentially a strong interfering agent, because the Hg resonance line is used in this technique, its concentration would also have to be many times higher than is typically found in ambient air. Thus, it seems unlikely that such interferences would amount to more than one or two ppb (within the design specifications of the FEM), except under conditions conducive to producing high concentrations of the substances they identified as causing interference. These conditions might be found next to a plant producing styrene, for example. Leston et al. (2005) also noted that the use of alternative materials in the scrubber could alleviate many potential problems under these conditions.

Ozone can also be detected by differential optical absorption spectroscopy (DOAS) at a variety of wavelengths in the UV and visible parts of the spectrum. Prior comparisons of DOAS results to those from a UV absorption instrument showed good agreement, on the order of 10% (Stevens et al., 1993). Reisinger (2002) reported a positive interference due to an unidentified absorber in the 279 to 289 nm spectral region used by many commercial short-path DOAS systems for the measurement of O_3. Results of that study suggest that effluent from wood burning, used for domestic heating, may be responsible. Vandaele et al. (2002) reported good agreement with other methods in the detection of O_3 (and SO_2) over the course of several years in Brussels. While the DOAS method remains attractive due to its sensitivity and speed of response further intercomparisons and interference tests are recommended.

Electrochemical methods are commonly employed where sensor weight is a problem, such as in balloon borne sondes, and these techniques have been investigated for ambient monitoring. Recent developments include changes in the electrodes and electrolyte solution (Knake and Hauser, 2002) and selective removal of O_3 for a chemical zero (Penrose et al., 1995). Interferences from other oxidants such as NO_2 and HONO remain potential problems and further comparisons with UV absorption are necessary. Because of potential interferences from water

vapor (ASTM, 2003a,b), all instruments should be either calibrated and zeroed with air humidity near ambient or demonstrated to be insensitive to humidity.

Change in the vibration frequency of a piezoelectric quartz crystal has been investigated as a means of detecting O_3. Ozone reacts with polybutadiene coated onto the surface of a crystal, and the resulting change in mass is detected as a frequency change (Black et al., 2000). While this sensor has advantages of reduced cost power consumption and weight, it is lacks the lifetime and absolute accuracy for ambient monitoring.

In summary, new techniques are being developed, but UV absorption remains the method of choice for ambient O_3 monitoring near the Earth's surface. These commercial UV absorption detectors are available at a moderate price. They show good absolute accuracy with only minor cross sensitivity in clean to moderately polluted environments; they are stable, reliable, and sensitive.

AX2.6.2 Sampling and Analysis of Nitrogen Oxides

The role of nitrogen oxides in tropospheric O_3 formation was reviewed thoroughly in the previous AQCD and will be only briefly summarized here. Reactive nitrogen is generally released as NO but quickly converted in ambient air to NO_2 and back again, thus these two species are often referred to together as NO_x ($NO + NO_2$). The photochemical interconversion of NO and NO_2 leads to O_3 formation. Because NO_2 is a health hazard at sufficiently high concentrations, it is itself a criteria pollutant. In EPA documents, emissions of NO_x are expressed in units of mass of NO_2 per unit time, i.e., the total mass of NO_x that would be emitted if all the NO were converted to NO_2. Ambient air monitors have been required to demonstrate compliance with the standard for NO_2 and thus have focused on measuring this gas or determining an upper limit for its concentration.

NO_x can be further oxidized to species including nitrous acid (HNO_2), nitric acid (HNO_3), aerosol nitrate (NO_3^-), and organo-nitrates such as alkyl nitrates ($RONO_2$) and peroxy acetyl nitrate, PAN, ($CH_3C(O)O_2NO_2$). The sum of these species (explicitly excluding N_2, N_2O, and reduced N such as NH_3 and HCN) is called NO_y. Nitrates play important roles in acid rain, and nutrient cycling including over nitrification of surface ecosystems and in the formation of fine particulate matter, but are generally inactive photochemically. Some studies refer specifically to the oxidized or processed NO_y species, NO_y-NO_x, as NO_z because this quantity is related to the

degree of photochemical aging in the atmosphere. Several NO_z species such as PAN and HONO can be readily photolyzed or thermally dissociated to NO or NO_2 and thus act as reservoirs for NO_x. This discussion focuses on current methods and on promising new technologies, but no attempt is made here to cover the extensive development of these methods or of methods such as wet chemical techniques, no longer in widespread use. More detailed discussions of the histories of these methods may be found elsewhere (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1993, 1996).

AX2.6.2.1 Calibration Standards

Calibration gas standards of NO, in nitrogen (certified at concentrations of approximately 5 to 40 ppm) are obtainable from the Standard Reference Material (SRM) Program of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), formerly the National Bureau of Standards (NBS), in Gaithersburg, MD. These SRMs are supplied as compressed gas mixtures at about 135 bar (1900 psi) in high-pressure aluminum cylinders containing 800 L of gas at standard temperature and pressure, dry (STPD; National Bureau of Standards, 1975; Guenther et al., 1996). Each cylinder is supplied with a certificate stating concentration and uncertainty. The concentrations are certified to be accurate to ±1 percent relative to the stated values. Because of the resources required for their certification, SRMs are not intended for use as daily working standards, but rather as primary standards against which transfer standards can be calibrated.

Transfer stand-alone calibration gas standards of NO in N_2 (in the concentrations indicated above) are obtainable from specialty gas companies. Information as to whether a company supplies such mixtures is obtainable from the company, or from the SRM Program of NIST. These NIST Traceable Reference Materials (NTRMs) are purchased directly from industry and are supplied as compressed gas mixtures at approximately 135 bars (1,900 psi) in high-pressure aluminum cylinders containing 4,000 L of gas at STPD. Each cylinder is supplied with a certificate stating concentration and uncertainty. The concentrations are certified to be accurate to within ±1 percent of the stated values (Guenther et al., 1996). Additional details can be found in the previous AQCD for O_3 (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996).

AX2.6.2.2 Measurement of Nitric Oxide

Gas-Phase Chemiluminescence (CL) Methods

Nitric oxide, NO, can be measured reliably using the principle of gas-phase chemiluminescence induced by the reaction of NO with O_3 at low pressure. Modern commercial NO_x analyzers have sufficient sensitivity and specificity for adequate measurement in urban and many rural locations (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996). The physics of the method, detection limits, interferences, and comparisons under field comparisons have been thoroughly reviewed in the previous AQCD. Research grade CL instruments have been compared under realistic field conditions to spectroscopic instruments, and the results indicate that both methods are reliable (at concentrations relevant to smog studies) to better than 15 percent with 95 percent confidence. Response times are on the order of 1 minute. For measurements meaningful for understanding O_3 formation, emissions modeling, and N deposition, special care must be taken to frequently zero and calibrate the instrument. A chemical zero, by reacting the NO up stream and out of view of the PMT, is preferred because it accounts for unsaturated hydrocarbon or other interferences. Calibration should be performed with NIST-traceable reference material of compressed NO in N_2. Standard additions of NO at the inlet will account for NO loss or conversion to NO_2 in the lines. In summary CL methods, when operated in an appropriate manner, can be suitable for measuring or monitoring NO (e.g., Crosley, 1996).

Spectroscopic Methods for Nitric Oxide

Nitric oxide has also been successfully measured in ambient air with direct spectroscopic methods; these include two-photon laser-induced fluorescence (TPLIF), tunable diode laser absorption spectroscopy (TDLAS), and two-tone frequency-modulated spectroscopy (TTFMS). These were reviewed thoroughly in the previous AQCD and will be only briefly summarized here. The spectroscopic methods demonstrate excellent sensitivity and selectivity for NO with detection limits on the order of 10 ppt for integration times of 1 min. Spectroscopic methods compare well with the CL method for NO in controlled laboratory air, ambient air, and heavily polluted air (e.g., Walega et al., 1984; Gregory et al., 1990; Kireev et al., 1999). These spectroscopic methods remain in the research arena due to their complexity, size, and cost, but are essential for demonstrating that CL methods are reliable for monitoring NO concentrations involved in O_3 formation — from 100's of ppb to around 20 ppt.

Atmospheric pressure laser ionization followed by mass spectroscopy has also been reported for detection of NO and NO_2. Garnica et al. (2000) describe a technique involving selective excitation at one wavelength followed by ionization at a second wavelength. They report good selectivity and detection limits well below 1 ppb. The practicality of the instrument for ambient monitoring has yet to be demonstrated.

AX2.6.2.3 Measurements of Nitrogen Dioxide

Gas-Phase Chemiluminescence Methods

Since the previous AQCD, photolytic reduction followed by CL has been improved and the method of laser-induced fluorescence has been developed. Ryerson et al. (2000) developed a photolytic converter based on a Hg lamp with increased radiant intensity in the region of peak NO_2 photolysis (350 to 400 nm) and producing conversion efficiencies of 70% or more in less than 1 s. Because the converter produces little radiation at wavelengths less than 350 nm, interferences from HNO_3 and PAN are minimal.

Alternative methods to photolytic reduction followed by CL are desirable to test the reliability of this widely used technique. In any detector based on conversion to another species interferences can be a problem. Several atmospheric species, PAN and HO_2NO_2 for example, dissociate to NO_2 at higher temperatures.

Laser induced fluorescence for NO_2 detection involves excitation of atmospheric NO_2 with laser light emitted at wavelengths too long to induce photolysis. The resulting excited molecules relax in a photoemissive mode and the fluorescing photons are counted. Because collisions would rapidly quench electronically excited NO_2, the reactions are conducted at low pressure (Cohen, 1999; Thornton et al., 2000; Day et al., 2002). For example Cleary et al. (2002) describe field tests of a system that uses continuous, supersonic expansion followed by excitation at 640 nm with a commercial cw external-cavity tunable diode laser. Sensitivity is adequate for measurements in most continental environments (145 ppt in 1 min) and no interferences have been identified.

Matsumi et al. (2001) describe a comparison of laser-induced fluorescence with a photofragmentation chemiluminescence instrument. The laser-induced fluorescence system involves excitation at 440 nm with a multiple laser system. They report sensitivity of 30 ppt in 10 s and good agreement between the two methods under laboratory conditions at mixing ratios

up to 1.0 ppb. This high-sensitivity laser-induced fluorescence system has yet to undergo long-term field tests.

NO_2 can be detected by differential optical absorption spectroscopy (DOAS) in an open, long-path system (Kim and Kim, 2001). Vandaele et al. (2002) reported that the DOAS technique measured higher NO_2 concentrations than were reported by other techniques in a three-year study conducted in Brussels. Harder et al. (1997b) conducted an experiment in rural Colorado involving simultaneous measurements of NO_2 with DOAS and photolysis followed by chemiluminescence. The found differences of as much as 110% in clean air from the west, but for NO_2 mixing ratios in excess of 300 ppt, the two methods agreed to better than 10%. Stutz and Platt (1996) report less uncertainty.

AX2.6.2.4 Monitoring for NO_2 Compliance Versus Monitoring for Ozone Formation

Observations of NO_2 have been focused on demonstrating compliance with the NAAQS for NO_2. Today, few locations violate that standard, but NO_2 and related NO_y compounds remain among the most important atmospheric trace gases to measure and understand. Commercial instruments for NO/NO_x detection are generally constructed with an internal converter for reduction of NO_2 to NO, and generate a signal referred to as NO_x. These converters, generally constructed of molybdenum oxides (MoOx), reduce not only NO_2 but also most other NO_y species (Fehsenfeld et al., 1987; Crosley, 1996; Nunnermacker et al., 1998). Thus the NO_x signal is more accurately referred to as NO_y. Unfortunately with an internal converter, the instruments may not give a faithful indication of NO_y either — reactive species such as HNO_3 will adhere to the walls of the inlet system. Most recently, commercial vendors such as Thermo Environmental (Franklin, MA) have offered NO/NO_y detectors with external Mo converters. If such instruments are calibrated through the inlet with a reactive nitrogen species such as propyl nitrate, they should give accurate measurements of total NO_y, suitable for evaluation of photochemical models. States should be encouraged to make these NO_y measurements where ever possible.

AX2.6.3 Measurements of Nitric Acid Vapor, HNO_3

Accurate measurement of nitric acid vapor, HNO_3, has presented a long-standing analytical challenge to the atmospheric chemistry community. In this context, it is useful to consider the

major factors that control HNO_3 partitioning between the gas and deliquesced-particulate phases in ambient air. In equation form,

$$HNO_{3g} \overset{K_H}{\Leftrightarrow} [HNO_{3aq}] \overset{K_a}{\Leftrightarrow} [H^+] + [NO_3^-] \qquad \text{(AX2-52)}$$

where K_H is the Henry's Law constant in M atm-1 and Ka is the acid dissociation constant in M.

Thus, the primary controls on HNO_3 phase partitioning are its thermodynamic properties (K_H, K_a, and associated temperature corrections), aerosol liquid water content (LWC), solution pH, and kinetics. Aerosol LWC and pH are controlled by the relative mix of different acids and bases in the system, hygroscopic properties of condensed compounds, and meteorological conditions (RH, temperature, and pressure). It is evident from relationship XX that, in the presence of chemically distinct aerosols of varying acidities (e.g., super-µm predominantly sea salt and sub-µm predominantly S aerosol), HNO_3 will partition preferentially with the less-acidic particles, which is consistent with observations (e.g., Huebert et al., 1996; Keene and Savoie, 1998; Keene et al., 2002). Kinetics are controlled by atmospheric concentrations of HNO_3 vapor and particulate NO_3^- and the size distribution and corresponding atmospheric lifetimes of particles against deposition. Sub-µm-diameter aerosols typically equilibrate with the gas phase in seconds to minutes while super-um aerosols require hours to a day or more (e.g., Meng and Seinfeld, 1996; Erickson et al., 1999. Consequently, smaller aerosol size fractions are typically close to thermodynamic equilibrium with respect to HNO_3 whereas larger size fractions (for which atmospheric lifetimes against deposition range from hours to a few days) are often undersaturated (e.g., Erickson et al., 1999; Keene and Savioe, 1998).

Many sampling techniques for HNO_3 (e.g., standard filterpack and mist-chamber samplers) employ upstream prefilters to remove particulate species from sample air. However, when chemically distinct aerosols with different pHs (e.g., sea salt and S aerosols) mix together on a bulk filter, the acidity of the bulk mixture will be greater than that of the less acidic aerosols with which most NO_3^- is associated. This change in pH may cause the bulk mix to be supersaturated with respect to HNO_3 leading to volatilization and, thus, positive measurement bias in HNO_3 sampled downstream. Alternatively, when undersaturated super-um size fractions (e.g., sea salt) accumulate on a bulk filter and chemically interacts over time with HNO_3 in the sample air

stream, scavenging may lead to negative bias in HNO_3 sampled downsteam. Because the magnitude of both effects will vary as functions of the overall composition and thermodynamic state of the multiphase system, the combined influence can cause net positive or net negative measurement bias in resulting data. Pressure drops across particle filters can also lead to artifact volatilization and associated positive bias in HNO_3 measured downstream.

Widely used methods for measuring HNO_3 include standard filterpacks configured with nylon or alkaline-impregnated filters (e.g., Goldan et al., 1983; Bardwell et al., 1990; respectively) and standard mist chambers (Talbot et al., 1990). Samples are typically analyzed by ion chromatography. Intercomparisons of these measurement techniques (e.g., Hering et al., 1988; Tanner et al., 1989; Talbot et al., 1990) report differences of a factor of two or more.

More recently, sensitive HNO_3 measurements based on the principle of Chemical Ionization Mass Spectroscopy (CIMS) have been reported (e.g., Huey et al., 1998; Mauldin et al., 1998; Furutani and Akimoto, 2002; Neuman et al., 2002). CIMS relies on selective formation of ions such as $SiF_5^-\cdot HNO_3$ or $HSO_4^-\cdot HNO_3$ followed by detection via mass spectroscopy. Two CIMS techniques and a filter pack technique were intercompared in Boulder, CO (Fehsenfeld et al., 1998). Results indicated excellent agreement (within 15%) between the two CIMS instruments and between the CIMS and filterpack methods under relatively clean conditions with HNO_3 mixing ratios between 50 and 400 pptv. In more polluted air, the filterpack technique generally yielded higher values than the CIMS suggesting that interactions between chemically distinct particles on bulk filters is a more important source of bias in polluted continental air. Differences were also greater at lower temperature when particulate NO_3^- corresponded to relatively greater fractions of total NO_3^-.

AX2.6.4 Sampling and Analysis of Volatile Organic Compounds

Hydrocarbons can be measured with gas chromatography followed by flame ionization detection (GC-FID). Detection by mass spectroscopy is sometimes used to confirm species identified by retention time (Westberg and Zimmerman, 1993; Dewulf and Van Langenhove, 1997). Preconcentration is typically required for less abundant species. Details are available in AQCD 96.

Because of their variety, nonmethane hydrocarbons pose special analytical problems, and several laboratory and field studies have recently addresses the uncertainty of VOC

measurements. An intercomparison conducted with 16 components among 28 laboratories, showed agreement on the order of 10s of percents (Apel et al., 1994). In a more recent intercomparison (Apel et al., 1999) 36 investigators from around the world were asked to identify and quantify C_2 to C_{10} hydrocarbons (HCs) in a mixture in synthetic air. Calibration was based on gas standards of individual compounds, such as propane in air, and a 16-compound mixture of C_2 to C_{16} –alkanes, all prepared by NIST and certified to ± 3 percent. The top-performing laboratories, including several in the United States, identified all the compounds correctly, and obtained agreement of generally better than 20 percent for the 60 compounds. Intercomparison of NMHCs in ambient air has only recently been reported by a European group of 12 – 14 laboratories (Slemr et al., 2002). Some compounds gave several groups difficulties, including isobutene, butadiene, methyl pentanes, and trimethyl benzenes. These intercomparisons illustrated the need for reliable, multicomponent calibration standards.

AX2.6.4.1 Polar Volatile Organic Compounds

Many of the more reactive oxygen- and nitrogen-containing organic compounds play a role in O_3 formation and are included among list of 189 hazardous air pollutants specified in the 1990 CAAA (U.S. Congress, 1990). These compounds are emitted directly from a variety of sources including biogenic processes, biomass burning, industry, vehicles, and consumer products. Some can also be formed in the atmosphere by photochemical oxidation of hydrocarbons. Although these compounds have been referred to collectively as PVOCs, their reactivity and water solubility, rather than just polarity, make sampling and measurement challenging. As indicated in the earlier AQCD, few ambient data exist for these species, but that database has grown. The previous AQCD discusses two analytical methods for PVOCs — cryogenic trapping techniques similar to those used for the nonpolar hydrocarbon species, and adsorbent material for sample preconcentration. Here we discuss recently developed methods.

Several techniques for sampling, preconcentrating and detecting oxygenated volatile organic compounds were inter-compared during the 1995 Southern Oxidants Study Nashville Intensive (Apel et al., 1998). Both chemical traps and derivatization followed by HPLC and pre-concentration and gas chromatography followed by mass spectrometric of flame ionization were investigated. Both laboratory and field tests were conducted for formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, acetone, and propanal. Substantial differences were observed indicating that

reliable sampling and measurement of PVOCs remains an analytical challenge and high research priority.

Chemical ionization-mass spectroscopy, such as proton-transfer-reaction mass spectroscopy (PTR-MS) can also be used for fast-response measurement of volatile organic compounds including acetonitrile (CH_3CN), methanol (CH_3OH), acetone (CH_3COCH_3), acetaldehyde (CH_3CHO), benzene (C_6H_6) and toluene ($C_6H_5CH_3$) (e.g., Hansel et al., 1995a,b; Lindinger et al., 1998; Leibrock and Huey, 2000; Warneke et al., 2001). The method relies on gas phase proton transfer reactions between H_3O^+ primary ions and volatile trace gases with a proton affinity higher than that of water. Into a flow drift tube continuously flushed with ambient air, H_3O^+ ions (from a hollow cathode ion source) are injected. On collisions between H_3O^+ ions and organic molecules protons H^+ are transferred thus charging the reagent. Both primary and product ions are analyzed in a quadrupole mass spectrometer and detected by a secondary electron multiplier/pulse counting system. The instrument has been successfully employed in several field campaigns and compared to other techniques including gas chromatography and Atmospheric Pressure Chemical Ionization Mass Spectrometer (AP-CIMS) (Crutzen et al., 2000; Sprung et al., 2001). Sufficient sensitivity was observed for urban and rural measurements; no interferences were discovered, although care must be exercised to avoid sampling losses. Commercial instruments are becoming available, but their price still precludes widespread monitoring.

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ANNEX AX3. ENVIRONMENTAL CONCENTRATIONS, PATTERNS, AND EXPOSURE ESTIMATES

AX3.1 INTRODUCTION

Identification and Use of Existing Air Quality Data

Topics discussed in this annex include the characterization of ambient air quality data for ozone (O_3), the uses of these data in assessing the exposure of vegetation to O_3, concentrations of O_3 in microenvironments, and a discussion of the currently available human exposure data and exposure model development. The information contained in this chapter pertaining to ambient concentrations is taken primarily from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Air Quality System (AQS; formerly the AIRS database). The AQS contains readily accessible detailed, hourly data that has been subject to EPA quality control and assurance procedures. Data available in AQS were collected from 1979 to 2001. As discussed in previous versions of the O_3 Air Quality Criteria Document or AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986, 1996), the data available prior to 1979 may be unreliable due to calibration problems and measurement uncertainties.

As indicated in the 1996 O_3 AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a), O_3 is the only photochemical oxidant other than nitrogen dioxide (NO_2) that is routinely monitored and for which a comprehensive database exists. Data for peroxyacetyl nitrate (PAN), hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2), and other oxidants either in the gas phase or particle phase typically have been obtained only as part of special field studies. Consequently, no data on nationwide patterns of occurrence are available for these non-O_3 oxidants; nor are extensive data available on the relationships of levels and patterns of these oxidants to those of O_3. However, available data for gas-phase and particle-phase oxidants will be discussed.

Characterizing Ambient Ozone Concentrations

The "concentration" of a specific air pollutant is typically defined as the amount (mass) of that material per unit volume of air. However, most of the data presented in this annex are expressed as "mixing ratios" in terms of a volume-to-volume ratio (parts per million [ppm] or parts per billion [ppb]). Data expressed this way are often referred to as concentrations, both in

the literature and in the text, following common usage. Human exposures are expressed in units of mixing ratio times time.

Several different types of indicators are used for evaluating exposures of vegetation to O_3. The peak-weighted, cumulative exposure indicators used in this chapter for characterizing vegetation exposures are SUM06 and SUM08 (the sums of all hourly average concentrations $\geq$0.06 and 0.08 ppm, respectively) and W126 (the sum of the hourly average concentrations that have been weighted according to a sigmoid function that is based on a hypothetical vegetation response [see Lefohn and Runeckles, 1987]). Further discussion of these exposure indices is presented in Chapter 9.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established "ozone seasons" for the required monitoring of ambient O_3 concentrations for different locations within the United States and U.S. territories (CFR, 2000). Table AX3-1 shows the O_3 seasons during which continuous, hourly averaged O_3 concentrations must be monitored. Note that O_3 monitoring is optional outside of the "ozone season" and is monitored in many locations throughout the year.

In Section AX3.2, surface O_3 concentrations are characterized and the difficulties of characterizing background O_3 concentrations for controlled exposure studies and for assessing the health benefits associated with setting the NAAQS are discussed. In addition, hourly averaged concentrations obtained by several monitoring networks have been characterized for urban and rural areas. Spatial variations that occur within urban areas, between rural and urban areas, as well as variations with elevation are discussed in Section AX3.3. The diurnal variations for the various urban and rural locations are found in Section AX3.4, where urban and rural patterns are described. In Section AX3.5 seasonal variations in 1-h and 8-h average concentrations are discussed. Section AX3.6 of this annex summarizes the historical trends for 1980 to 2001 on a national scale and for selected cities. The most recent U.S. EPA trends results are also presented. Section AX3.7 describes available information for the concentrations and patterns of related photochemical oxidants. Section AX3.8 describes the co-occurrence patterns of O_3 with NO_2, sulfur dioxide (SO_2), and 24-h $PM_{2.5}$. Indoor O_3 concentrations, including sources and factors affecting indoor O_3 concentrations, are described in Section AX3.9. Section AX3.10 describes human population exposure measurement methods, factors influencing exposure, and exposure models.

Table AX3-1. Ozone Monitoring Seasons by State

State	Start Month — End	State	Start Month — End
Alabama	March — October	Nevada	January — December
Alaska	April — October	New Hampshire	April — September
Arizona	January — December	New Jersey	April — October
Arkansas	March — November	New Mexico	January — December
California	January — December	New York	April — October
Colorado	March - September	North Carolina	April — October
Connecticut	April — September	North Dakota	May — September
Delaware	April — October	Ohio	April — October
District of Columbia	April — October	Oklahoma	March — November
Florida	March — October	Oregon	May — September
Georgia	March — October	Pennsylvania	April — October
Hawaii	January — December	Puerto Rico	January — December
Idaho	April — October	Rhode Island	April — September
Illinois	April — October	South Carolina	April — October
Indiana	April — September	South Dakota	June — September
Iowa	April — October	Tennessee	March — October
Kansas	April — October	Texas[1]	January — December
Kentucky	March — October	Texas[1]	March — October
Louisiana	January — December	Utah	May — September
Maine	April — September	Vermont	April — September
Maryland	April — October	Virginia	April — October
Massachusetts	April — September	Washington	May — September
Michigan	April — September	West Virginia	April — October
Minnesota	April — October	Wisconsin	April 15 — October 15
Mississippi	March — October	Wyoming	April — October
Missouri	April — October	American Samoa	January — December
Montana	June — September	Guam	January — December
Nebraska	April — October	Virgin Islands	January — December

[1]The ozone season is defined differently in different sections of Texas.

Source: CFR (2000a).

AX3.2 SURFACE OZONE CONCENTRATIONS

Data for O_3 concentrations in a number of different environments, ranging from urban to remote, are summarized and characterized in this section. The main emphasis is placed on the characterization of the variability of O_3 concentrations in these different environments. Another important issue relates to the determination of background concentrations. There are a number of different uses of the term background depending on the context in which it is used. Various definitions of background have been covered in the 1996 O_3 AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a) and in Air Quality Criteria for Particulate Matter (PM AQCD; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996b). This section deals with the characterization of background O_3 concentrations that are used for two main purposes: (1) performing experiments relating the effects of exposure to O_3 on humans, animals, and vegetation; and (2) assessing the health benefits associated with setting different levels of the NAAQS for O_3. Ozone background concentrations used for NAAQS setting purposes are referred to as policy relevant background (PRB) concentrations. PRB concentrations are defined by the U.S. EPA Office of Air Quality Programs and Standards (OAQPS) as those concentrations that would be observed in the United States if anthropogenic sources of O_3 precursors were turned off in continental North America (the United States, Canada and Mexico), i.e., the definition includes O_3 formed from natural sources everywhere in the world and from anthropogenic O_3 precursors outside of North America. The 1996 O_3 AQCD considered two possible methods for quantifying background O_3 concentrations for the two purposes mentioned above. The first method relied on mathematical models and historical data. The second method used the distribution of hourly average O_3 concentrations observed at clean, relatively remote monitoring sites (RRMS) in the United States (i.e., those which experience low maximum hourly concentrations). At the time of the 1996 O_3 AQCD, simulations of mathematical models were limited; therefore, the second method was employed to quantify background O_3 concentrations.

Sections AX3.2.1 and AX3.2.2 review data for O_3 concentrations in urban and nonurban (but influenced by urban emissions) environments. Section AX3.2.3 reviews the data from relatively clean remote sites, addresses the issue of how to use these data to help set background levels for controlled exposure studies, and presents evidence of trends in O_3 concentrations at these sites. The characterization of PRB O_3 concentrations will be the subject of Section AX3.2.4. Two alternative approaches for establishing PRB concentrations are presented: the

first uses data from relatively clean, remote monitoring sites and the second uses numerical models. The strengths and weaknesses of each approach are presented in the hopes of stimulating discussion that will resolve issues related to the use of either of these alternative methods.

Ozone Air Quality at Urban, Suburban, and Nonurban Sites

Figure AX3-1 shows the mean daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations and Figure AX3-2 shows the 95th percentile values of the daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations, based on countywide averages across the United States from May to September 2000 to 2004. The locations of the monitoring sites used to calculate background O_3 concentrations are shown in Figure AX3-3. The period from May to September was chosen because, although O_3 was monitored for different lengths of time across the country, all O_3 monitors should be operational during these months. Data flagged because of quality control issues were removed with concurrence by the local monitoring agency. Only days for which there were 75% complete data (i.e., 18 of 24 hours) were kept, and a minimum of 115 of 153 days were required in each year. Cut points for the tertile distributions on each map were chosen at the median and 95th percentile values. These cut points were chosen as they represent standard metrics for characterizing important aspects of human exposure used by the EPA. Any other percentiles or statistics that are believed to be helpful for characterizing human exposures could also be used. Blank areas on the maps indicate no data coverage. It should be noted that county areas can be much larger in the West than in the East, but monitors are not spread evenly within a county. As a result, the assigned concentration range might not represent conditions throughout a particular county and so large areas in western counties where there are not any monitors were blanked out.

As shown in Figure AX3-1, the median of the countywide, mean daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentration across the United States is 49 ppb, and the corresponding 95th percentile value is 57 ppb. Although the median and 95th percentile value of the countywide means are fairly close, these results cannot be taken to imply that mean O_3 concentrations lie in a relatively narrow range throughout the United States, because data coverage is not as complete in the West as it is in the East. High mean daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations are found in California

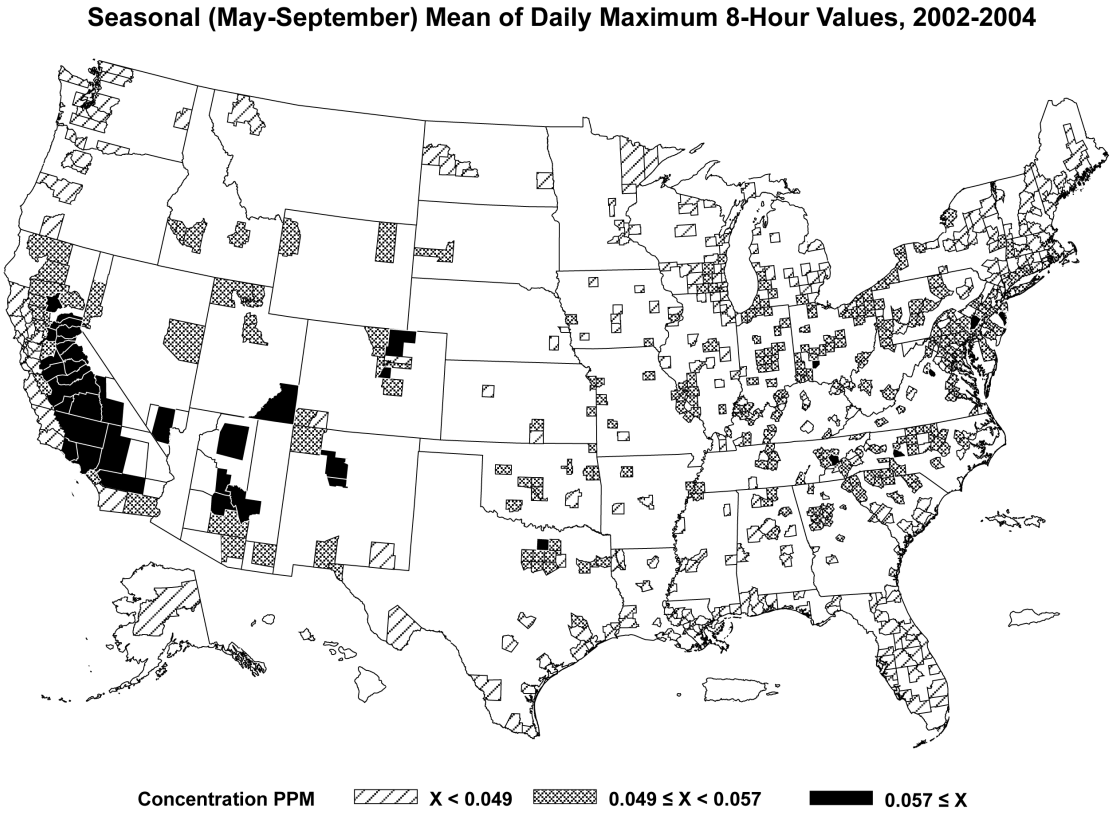

Figure AX3-1. Countywide mean daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations, May to September 2002 to 2004.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

and states in the Southwest as well as in several counties in the East. As shown in Figure AX3-2, the nationwide median of the countywide, 95th percentile value of the daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentration is 73 ppb and 5% of these values are above 85 ppb. High values for the 95th percentiles are found in California, Texas, and in the East, but not necessarily in the same counties as shown for the mean daily maximum 8-h concentrations in Figure AX3-1.

Although mean O_3 concentrations in Houston, TX were below the nationwide median, its 95th percentile value ranks in the highest 5% nationwide. Conversely, mean O_3 concentrations in southwestern states are among the highest in the United States, but peak values (i.e., 95th or

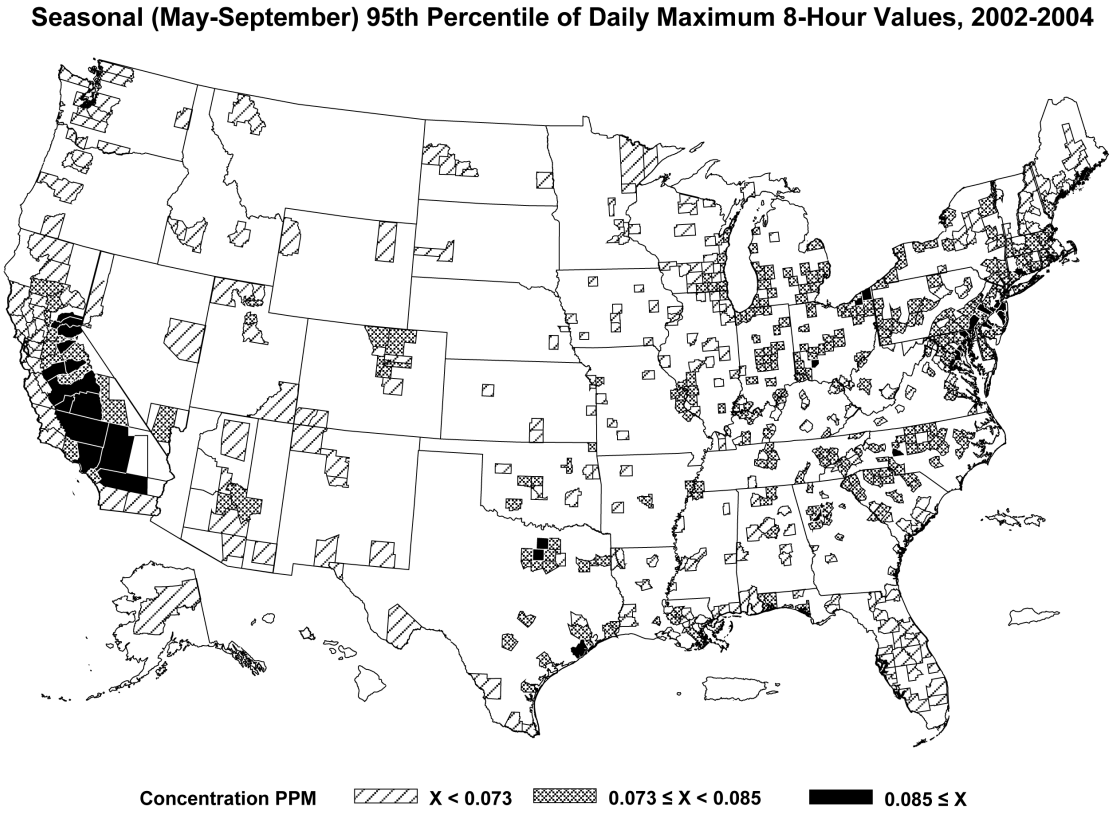

Figure AX3-2. Countywide 95th percentile value of daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations, May to September 2002 to 2004.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

98th percentile values) in those counties are not among the highest peak values in the United States. In other areas where the highest mean O_3 concentrations occurred, such as California; Dallas-Fort Worth, TX; and the Northeast Corridor, the highest peak values also were observed.

Although countywide averages are shown, it should be noted that considerable spatial variability can exist within a county, especially within urban areas as described in Section AX3.3. In addition, there can also be differences in the diurnal profile of O_3 among monitors within counties.

Box plots showing the percentile distribution of nationwide O_3 concentrations for different averaging periods (1-h daily maximum, 8-h daily maximum and 24-h daily average) are

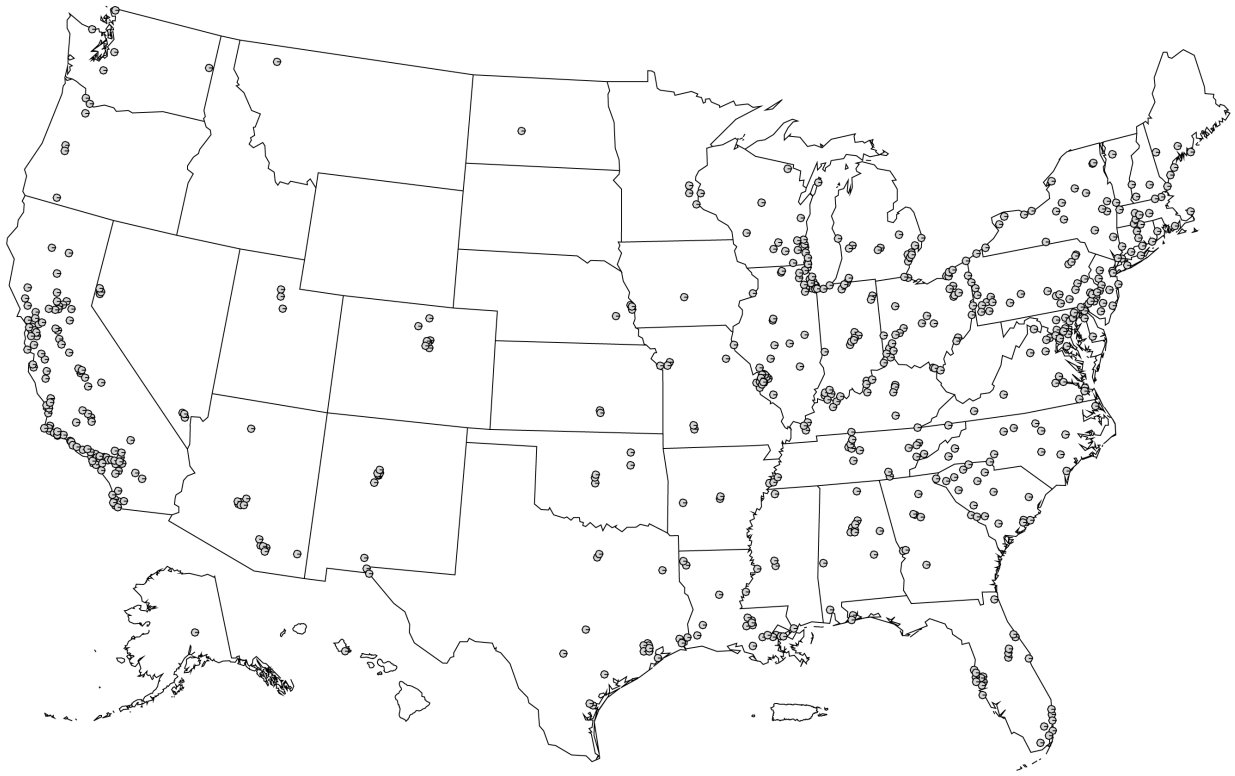

Figure AX3-3. Locations of monitoring sites used for calculating countywide averages across the United States.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

given in Figures AX3-4 to AX3-6 and the numerical values are given in Table AX3-2. The differences between the 50th and 95th percentile values can be used to provide indications of differences in O_3 levels between "typical" O_3 days and "high" O_3 days. These differences are approximately 40, 30, and 25 ppb for the daily 1-h, 8-h, maxima and daily averaged O_3 concentrations. As might be expected, the daily maximum 1-h and 8-h O_3 concentrations are highly correlated.

Lehman et al. (2004) have shown that the eastern United States can be divided into five regions, each of which exhibit spatial, relatively coherent patterns of O_3 properties at nonurban sites. Only sites classified as being rural or suburban and with land usage of forest, agriculture, or residential were included in the analyses. These criteria were chosen to avoid sites where O_3 is scavenged by NO that can be found in high concentrations near major sources, such as traffic

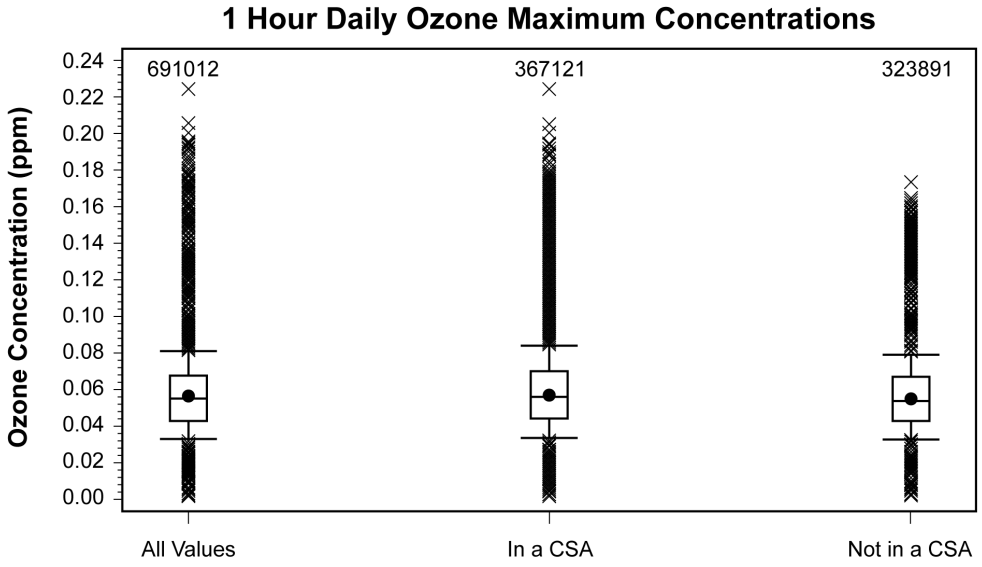

Figure AX3-4. Distribution of nationwide daily maximum 1-h average O_3 concentrations from May to September 2000 to 2004. Medians, interquartile ranges, minima and maxima and means (as dots are shown). Values above box plots give number of observations.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

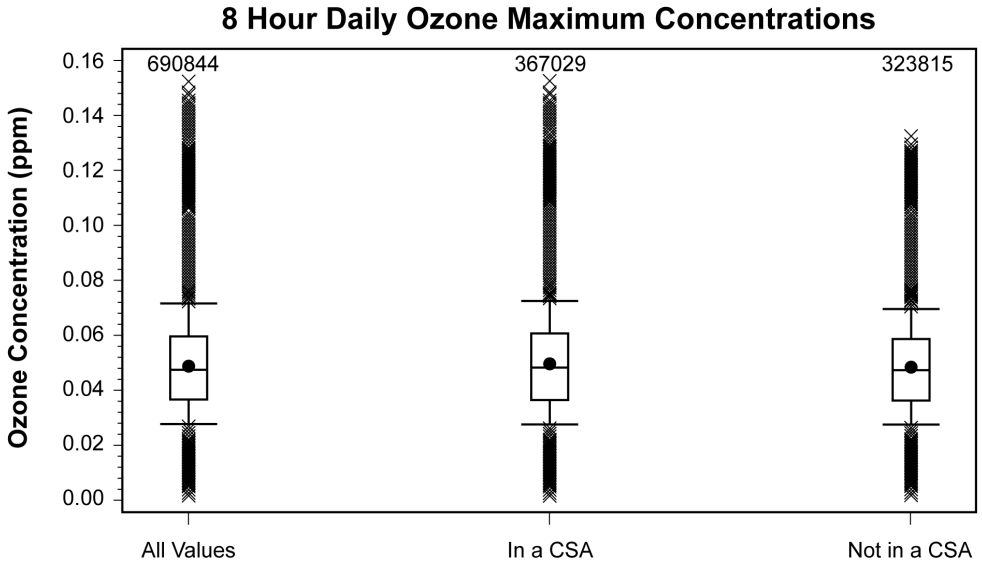

Figure AX3-5. Distribution of nationwide daily maximum 8-h average O_3 concentrations from May to September 2000 to 2004. Medians, interquartile ranges, minima and maxima and means (as dots are shown). Values above box plots give number of observations.

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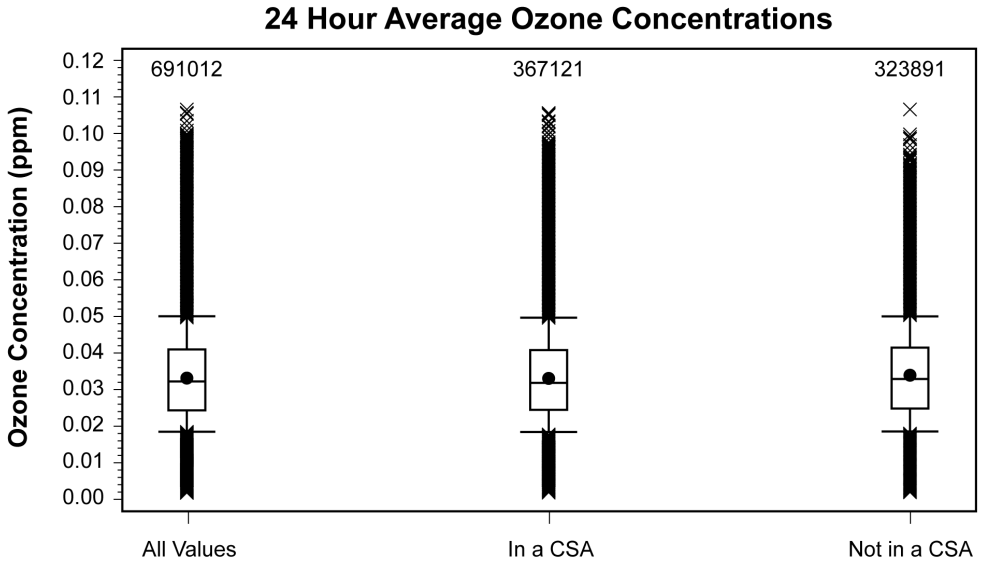


Figure AX3-6. Distribution of nationwide 24-h average O_3 concentrations from May to September 2000 to 2004. Medians, interquartile ranges, minima and maxima and means (as dots are shown). Values above box plots give number of observations.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

in urban cores. The five regions, shown in Figure AX3-7, are characterized by different patterns of O_3 properties such as temporal persistence and seasonal variability. Figure AX3-7 shows nonurban, monthly average, daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations in the five regions in the eastern United States from April to October 1993 to 2002.

Regional differences are immediately apparent. Highest concentrations among all the regions are generally found in the Mid-Atlantic region (mean of 52 ppb) with highest values throughout the percentile distribution except for the overall maximum. Lowest mean concentrations (42 ppb) are found in Florida. In the northern regions (the Northeast, Great Lakes) and the Mid-Atlantic region, highest median and peak concentrations are found in July, whereas in the Southwest, highest median concentrations are found in August, with highest peaks in June and September, i.e., outside the warmest summer months. In Florida, highest monthly averaged median and peak concentrations are found during the spring. High O_3 concentrations tend to be most persistent (3-4 days of persistence) in the southern regions, less persistent in the Mid-Atlantic region (2-3 days) and least persistent in the northern regions (1 or

Table AX3-2. Summary of Percentiles of Pooled Data Across Monitoring Sites for May to September 2000-2004
Concentrations are in ppb.

Pooled Group/ Avg. Time	Number of Values	Mean	Percentiles										
			1	5	10	25	30	50	70	75	90	95	99
Daily 1-h Maximum Concentrations													
Monitors in CSAs	367,121	58	20	29	34	44	46	56	66	70	84	94	116
Monitors not in CSAs	323,891	55	20	28	33	43	45	54	64	67	79	87	104
8-h Daily Maximum Concentrations													
Monitors in CSAs	367,029	50	16	23	28	37	40	49	58	61	73	81	98
Monitors not in CSAs	323,815	49	16	23	28	37	39	48	57	59	70	77	91
24-h Average Concentrations													
Monitors in CSAs	367,121	33	10	15	18	24	26	32	39	41	50	56	68
Monitors not in CSAs	323,891	34	10	15	18	25	27	33	39	41	50	56	68

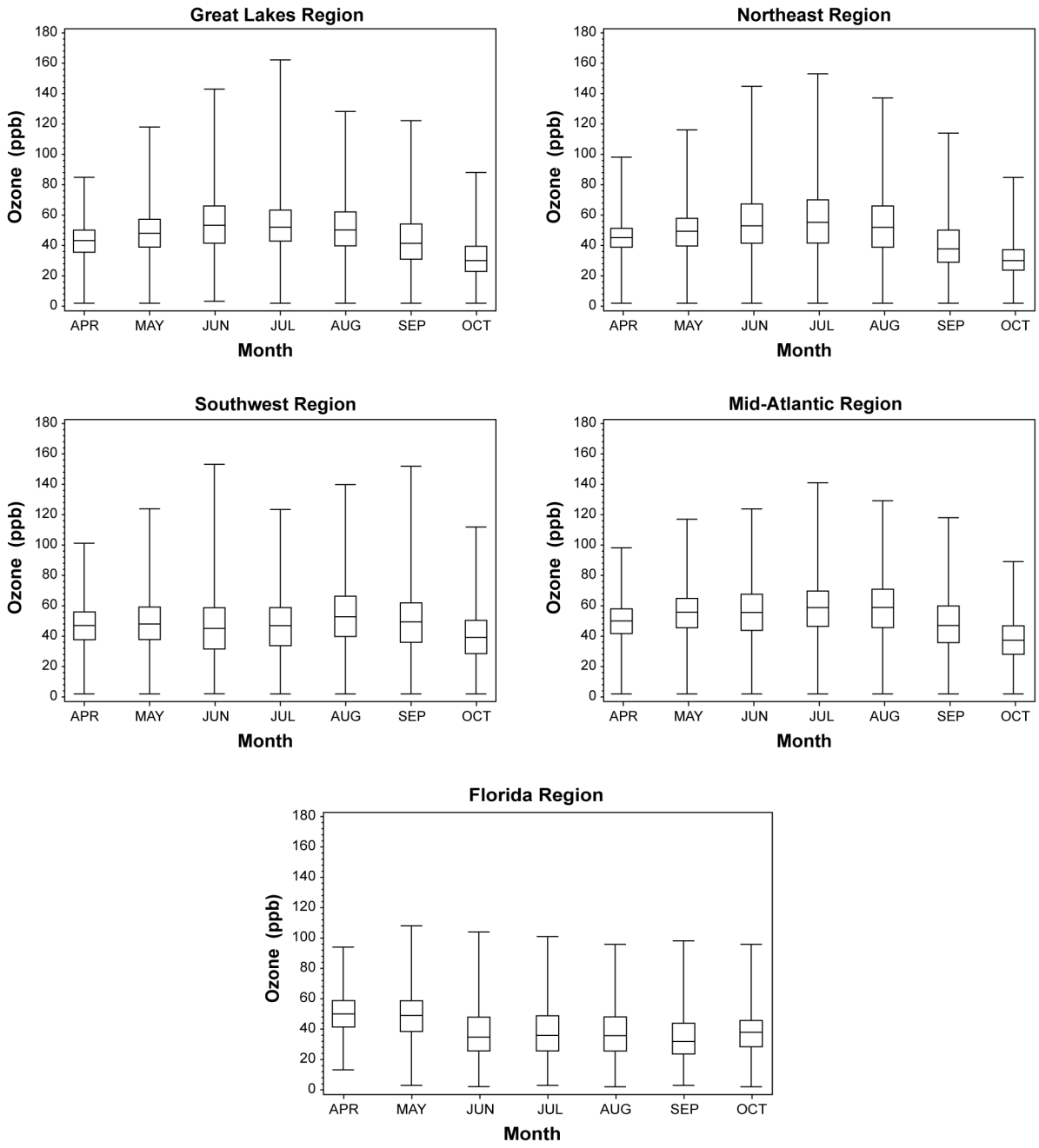


Figure AX3-7. Box plots showing O_3 averaged by month from 1993 to 2002 in the five regions in the eastern United States derived by Lehman et al. (2004). The boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers, the extreme values.

Source: Lehman et al. (2004).

2 days). Analyses, such as these, are not available for the western United States, in part because of the difficulty in defining regions with relatively coherent O_3 properties.

Box plots showing the percentile distribution of hourly average O_3 concentrations for different types of rural sites for 2001 are given in Figures AX3-8 (rural-agricultural), AX3-9 (rural-forest) and AX3-10 (rural-residential or commercial). Shown below the figures are the number of observations and various metrics for characterizing vegetation exposures. Note that high O_3 concentrations are found at sites that are classified as rural, as in Anne Arundel Co., MD; Yosemite NP, CA; and Crestline, CA. Land use designations might not give an accurate picture of exposure regimes in rural areas, because the land use characterization of "rural" does not necessarily mean that a specific location is isolated from anthropogenic influences. Rather, the characterization refers only to the current use of the land, not to the presence of sources. Since O_3 produced from emissions in urban areas is transported to more rural downwind locations, elevated O_3 concentrations can occur at considerable distances from urban centers. In addition, major sources of O_3 precursors such as power plants and highways are located in nonurban areas and also produce O_3 in these areas. Due to lower rates of chemical scavenging in nonurban areas, O_3 tends to persist longer in nonurban than in urban areas, also tending to lead to higher exposures in nonurban areas influenced by anthropogenic precursor emissions.

Ozone Air Quality Data at Relatively Remote Monitoring Sites (RRMS)

RRMS are sites that are located in the national parks that tend to be less affected by obvious pollution sources than other sites. This does not mean that they are completely unaffected by local pollution, as evidenced by the number of visitors to these national parks. It is important to characterize hourly average O_3 concentrations at RRMS so that assessments of the possible effects of O_3 on human health and vegetation use ranges of concentrations in their experiments that mimic the range that is found in the United States. Hourly average concentrations used as controls in controlled O_3 exposures for both human health and vegetation studies appear to be lower than those experienced at RRMS in the United States or in other parts of the world (see Chapter 9). Typically, ambient air is filtered to remove O_3 before being admitted into the exposure chambers. As a result, O_3 concentrations might only be a few ppb within these chambers.

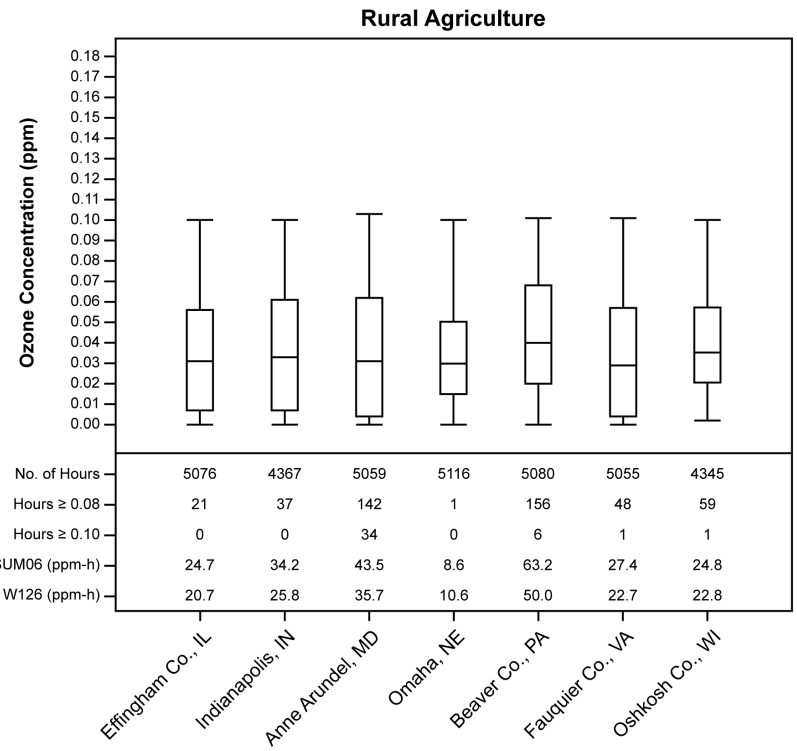


Figure AX3-8. Hourly average O_3 concentrations observed at selected rural-agricultural sites from April to October 2001. The whiskers represent minimum and maximum concentrations. The boxes represent the 10th and 90th percentile concentrations.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

Box plots showing the percentile distribution of annual hourly averaged O_3 concentrations at four relatively remote monitoring sites (RRMS) are given in Figures AX3-11a-d. As can be seen from Figures AX3-11a-d, annual mean values of the daily 8-h maximum O_3 concentration have not changed much over the past 10 years of available data. Mean values range typically from about 0.020 ppm to about 0.040 ppm. Concentrations only rarely exceed 0.080 ppm, in contrast to observations at other "rural" sites shown in Figures AX3-8 to AX3-10.

The extent to which distributions found at sites with low maximum hourly average concentrations in the western United States are representative of sites in the eastern and midwestern United States is debatable because of regional differences in sources of precursors and transport patterns. Given the high density of sources in the eastern and midwestern United States, it is unclear whether a site could be found in either of these regions that would not be

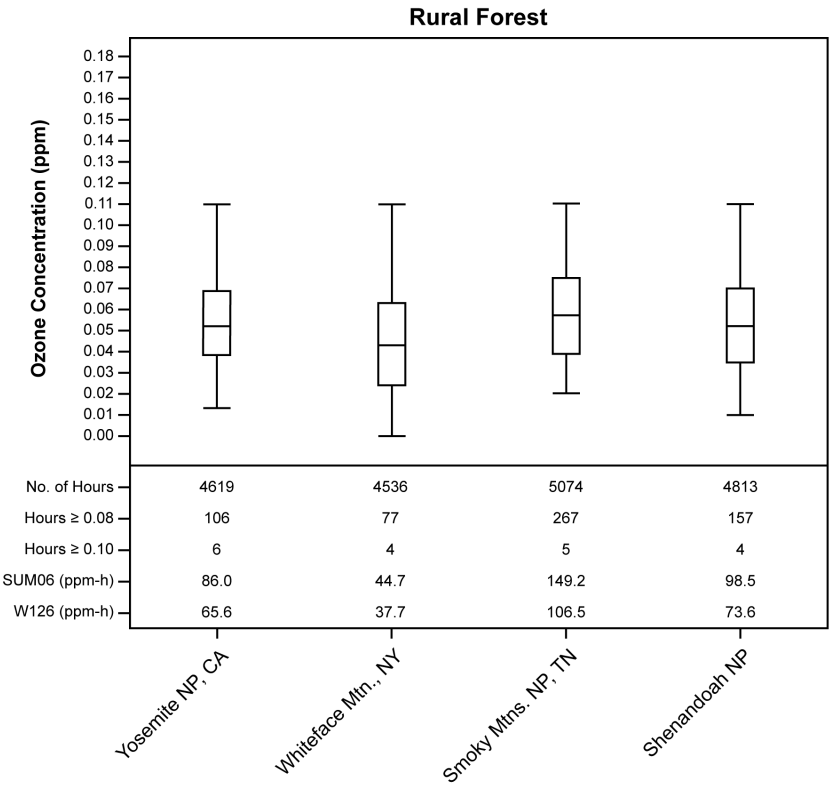


Figure AX3-9. Hourly average O_3 concentrations observed at selected rural-forest sites from April to October 2001. The whiskers represent minimum and maximum concentrations. The boxes represent the 10th and 90th percentile concentrations.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

influenced by the transport of O_3 from nearby urban areas. Thus, with the exception of the Voyageurs NP site in Minnesota, observations at RRMS are limited to those obtained in the western United States. However, not all national park sites in the West can be considered to be free of strong regional pollution influences, e.g., Yosemite NP (CA), as can be seen from Figure AX3-9.

The 1996 O_3 AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a) concluded that the annual average "background" concentration of O_3 near sea level ranged from 0.020 to 0.035 ppm and that, during the summer, the 1-h daily maximum ranged from 0.03 to 0.05 ppm. The 1996 O_3 AQCD also included O_3 hourly average concentrations measured at several clean, RRMS mostly located in the western United States. Table AX3-3 provides a summary of the

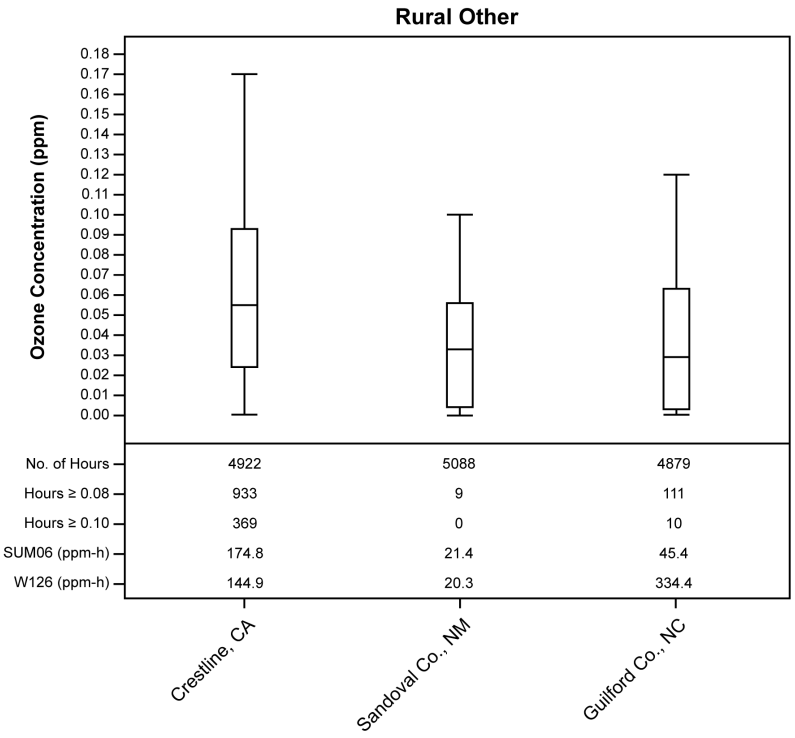


Figure AX3-10. Hourly average O_3 concentrations observed at selected rural-commercial or -residential sites from April to October 2001. The whiskers represent minimum and maximum concentrations. The boxes represent the 10th and 90th percentile concentrations.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

characterization of the hourly average concentrations recorded from 1988 to 2001 at some of the monitoring sites previously analyzed. The percentile distribution of the hourly average concentrations (April to October), number of hourly average occurrences ≥0.08 and ≥0.10 ppm, seasonal 7-h average concentrations, the SUM06, and W126 values were characterized for those site years with a data capture of ≥75%. From 1988 to 2001, no hourly average concentrations ≥0.08 ppm were observed at monitoring sites in Redwood NP (CA), Olympic NP (WA), Glacier NP (MT), Denali NP (AK), Badlands (SD), and Custer NF (MT) during the months of April to October. There were eight occurrences of hourly average O_3 concentrations ≥0.08 ppm from April to October of 1997 at the monitoring site in Theodore Roosevelt NP (ND). However, no hourly average concentrations ≥0.08 ppm were observed from April to October in any other year

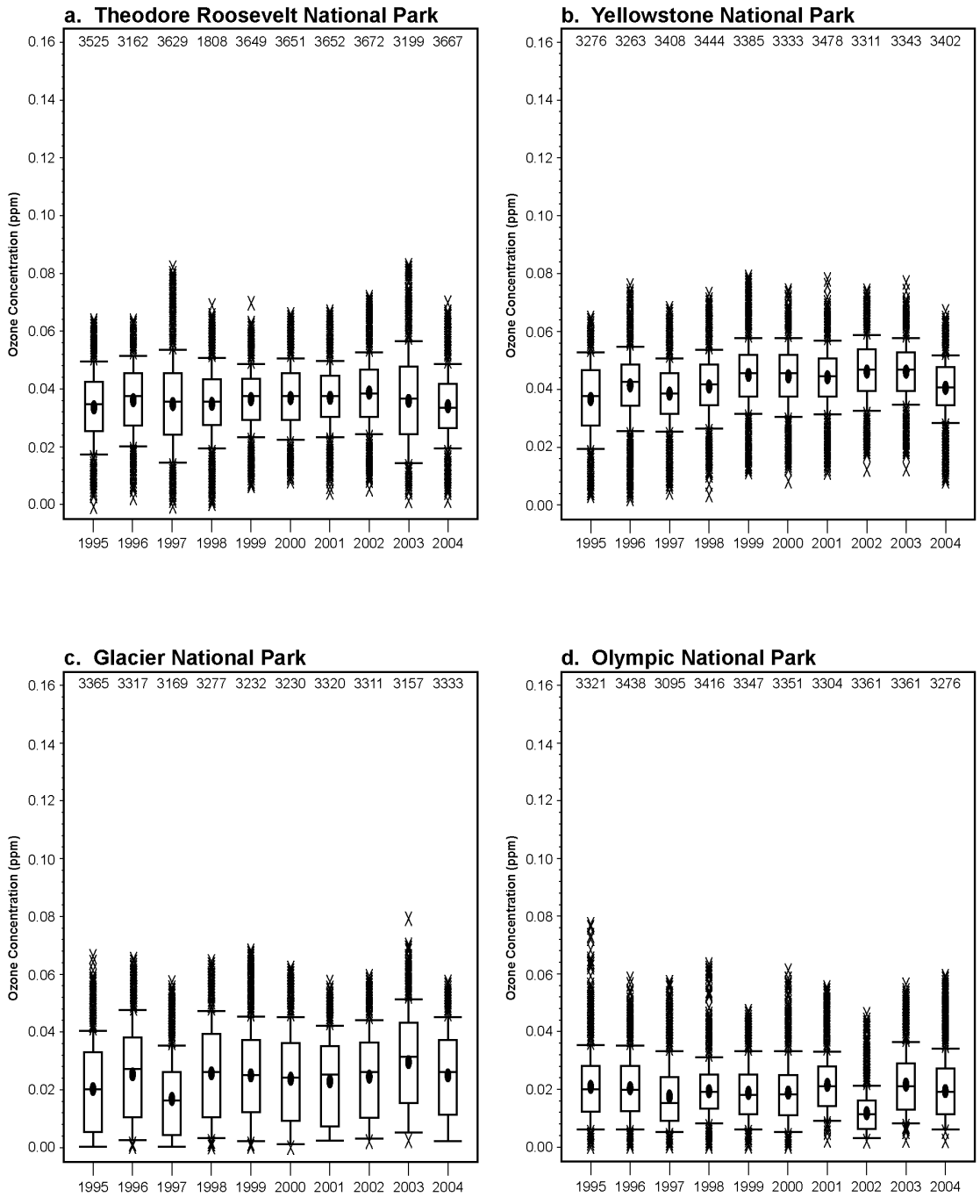


Figure AX3-11a-d. Daily 8-h maximum O3 concentrations observed at selected national park sites. The whiskers on the box plot represent the 10th and 90th percentile concentrations. The "X"s above and below the whiskers are the values that fall below and above the 10th and 90th percentile concentrations. The dots inside the box represent the mean. The number of observations is shown above each box plot.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

Table AX3-3. Seasonal (April to October) Percentile Distribution of Hourly Ozone Concentrations (ppm), Number of Hourly Mean Ozone Occurrences ≥0.08 and ≥0.10, Seasonal 7-h Average Concentrations, SUM06, and W126 Values for Sites Experiencing Low Maximum Hourly Average Concentrations with Data Capture of ≥75%

Site	Year	Min.	Percentiles							Max.	No. of Obs.	Hours		Seasonal 7-h	SUM06 (ppm-h)	W126 (ppm-h)
			10	30	50	70	90	95	99			≥0.08	≥0.10			
Redwood NP 060150002 (California) 235 m	1988	0.002	0.011	0.018	0.023	0.029	0.038	0.041	0.046	0.06	4825	0	0	0.026	1.8	0.1
	1989	0.000	0.010	0.017	0.022	0.027	0.034	0.038	0.042	0.047	4624	0	0	0.024	1.0	0.0
	1990	0.000	0.011	0.018	0.023	0.028	0.035	0.038	0.043	0.053	4742	0	0	0.025	1.2	0.0
	1991	0.001	0.012	0.019	0.025	0.031	0.038	0.041	0.045	0.054	4666	0	0	0.027	1.7	0.0
	1992	0.000	0.010	0.017	0.021	0.026	0.035	0.039	0.045	0.055	4679	0	0	0.023	1.1	0.0
	1993	0.000	0.010	0.017	0.022	0.027	0.035	0.038	0.042	0.054	4666	0	0	0.025	1.1	0.0
	1994	0.001	0.011	0.018	0.024	0.028	0.035	0.038	0.043	0.050	4846	0	0	0.026	0.0	1.2
Olympic NP (Washington) 530090012 125 m	1989	0.000	0.003	0.010	0.015	0.022	0.030	0.035	0.046	0.065	4220	0	0	0.021	0.7	0.1
	1990	0.000	0.005	0.012	0.018	0.023	0.030	0.034	0.043	0.064	4584	0	0	0.022	0.8	0.3
	1991	0.000	0.006	0.014	0.019	0.024	0.033	0.036	0.044	0.056	4677	0	0	0.025	0.9	0.0
	1993	0.000	0.004	0.010	0.016	0.021	0.029	0.034	0.041	0.064	4595	0	0	0.022	0.7	0.3
	1994	0.000	0.006	0.013	0.019	0.025	0.033	0.038	0.043	0.062	4044	0	0	0.025	0.2	0.8
	1995	0.000	0.006	0.014	0.020	0.027	0.037	0.040	0.048	0.077	4667	0	0	0.027	0.8	1.9
	1996	0.000	0.006	0.013	0.019	0.025	0.034	0.038	0.043	0.058	4811	0	0	0.025	0.0	1.0
	1997	0.000	0.005	0.010	0.015	0.022	0.035	0.040	0.046	0.057	4403					
	1998	0.000	0.008	0.014	0.019	0.025	0.033	0.037	0.044	0.063	4792	0	0	0.024	0.3	1.1
	1999	0.000	0.006	0.014	0.019	0.026	0.036	0.039	0.044	0.050	4656	0	0	0.024	0.0	1.1
	2000	0.000	0.006	0.013	0.019	0.025	0.035	0.039	0.045	0.061	4676	0	0	0.024	0.1	1.2
	2001	0.002	0.009	0.017	0.023	0.028	0.036	0.041	0.046	0.055	4643	0	0	0.027	0.0	1.4

Table AX3-3 (cont'd). Seasonal (April to October) Percentile Distribution of Hourly Ozone Concentrations (ppm), Number of Hourly Mean Ozone Occurrences ≥0.08 and ≥0.10, Seasonal 7-h Average Concentrations, SUM06, and W126 Values for Sites Experiencing Low Maximum Hourly Average Concentrations with Data Capture of ≥75%

Site	Year	Min.	Percentiles							Max.	No. of Obs.	Hours		Seasonal 7-h	SUM06 (ppm-h)	W126 (ppm-h)
			10	30	50	70	90	95	99			≥0.08	≥0.10			
Glacier NP 300298001 (Montana) 963 m	1989	0.000	0.003	0.015	0.026	0.036	0.046	0.050	0.058	0.067	4770	0	0	0.036	5.9	1.8
	1990	0.000	0.003	0.014	0.026	0.035	0.044	0.047	0.052	0.066	5092	0	0	0.036	4.1	1.3
	1991	0.000	0.001	0.014	0.027	0.036	0.046	0.049	0.056	0.062	5060	0	0	0.036	5.3	0.7
	1992	0.000	0.001	0.013	0.025	0.033	0.043	0.048	0.055	0.077	4909	0	0	0.033	4.1	1
	1993	0.000	0.000	0.010	0.020	0.029	0.040	0.044	0.050	0.058	5071	0	0	0.029	0.0	2.3
	1994	0.000	0.001	0.014	0.026	0.036	0.046	0.050	0.056	0.061	5072	0	0	0.036	0.1	5.4
	1995	0.000	0.000	0.010	0.022	0.031	0.041	0.045	0.051	0.066	4744	0	0	0.023	0.3	2.3
	1996	0.000	0.002	0.013	0.025	0.035	0.046	0.051	0.058	0.065	4666	0	0	0.035	1.9	5.4
	1997	0.000	0.000	0.008	0.017	0.026	0.041	0.045	0.053	0.058	4378	0	0	0.027	0.0	2.3
	1998	0.000	0.003	0.013	0.025	0.035	0.047	0.051	0.058	0.064	4649	0	0	0.036	1.4	5.6
	1999	0.000	0.002	0.015	0.026	0.035	0.046	0.051	0.058	0.068	4540	0	0	0.035	1.3	5.4
	2000	0.000	0.001	0.011	0.023	0.033	0.044	0.048	0.055	0.062	4551	0	0	0.033	0.7	3.8
	2001	0.000	0.000	0.013	0.025	0.033	0.042	0.044	0.049	0.057	4643	0	0	0.033	0.0	2.7
Yellowstone NP (Wyoming) 560391010 2484 m	1988	0.002	0.020	0.029	0.037	0.044	0.054	0.058	0.070	0.098	4257	17	0	0.043	14.0	8.9
	1989	0.002	0.018	0.027	0.036	0.044	0.052	0.057	0.063	0.071	4079	0	0	0.042	11.0	6.7
	1990	0.000	0.015	0.023	0.029	0.036	0.043	0.046	0.053	0.061	4663	0	0	0.034	3.8	0.5
	1991	0.004	0.020	0.030	0.037	0.042	0.048	0.051	0.057	0.064	4453	0	0	0.042	7.7	1.2
	1992	0.001	0.018	0.029	0.036	0.042	0.051	0.056	0.064	0.075	4384	0	0	0.042	10.7	6.3
	1993	0.000	0.018	0.028	0.036	0.042	0.047	0.050	0.054	0.060	4399	0	0	0.041	6.5	0.2
	1994	0.003	0.022	0.033	0.040	0.046	0.053	0.056	0.062	0.072	4825	0	0	0.046	6.0	15.2
	1995	0.004	0.022	0.033	0.040	0.045	0.052	0.055	0.059	0.065	4650	0	0	0.045	2.8	12.5

Table AX3-3 (cont'd). Seasonal (April to October) Percentile Distribution of Hourly Ozone Concentrations (ppm), Number of Hourly Mean Ozone Occurrences ≥0.08 and ≥0.10, Seasonal 7-h Average Concentrations, SUM06, and W126 Values for Sites Experiencing Low Maximum Hourly Average Concentrations with Data Capture of ≥75%

Site	Year	Min.	Percentiles							Max.	No. of Obs.	Hours		Seasonal 7-h	SUM06 (ppm-h)	W126 (ppm-h)
			10	30	50	70	90	95	99			≥0.08	≥0.10			
Yellowstone NP (Wyoming) 560391011 2468 m	1997	0.005	0.026	0.035	0.040	0.045	0.051	0.054	0.060	0.068	4626	0	0	0.043	3.3	12.4
	1998	0.004	0.029	0.038	0.043	0.048	0.055	0.058	0.064	0.073	4827	0	0	0.046	9.9	20.0
	1999	0.012	0.033	0.040	0.046	0.051	0.059	0.062	0.069	0.079	4733	0	0	0.049	27.1	29.8
	2000	0.009	0.031	0.039	0.045	0.050	0.057	0.060	0.065	0.074	4678	0	0	0.047	17.0	23.4
	2001	0.012	0.034	0.041	0.046	0.050	0.057	0.060	0.065	0.078	4869	0	0	0.048	16.9	25.6
Denali NP (Alaska) 022900003 640 m	1988	0.003	0.018	0.024	0.028	0.033	0.044	0.050	0.053	0.056	4726	0	0	0.031	0.0	4.0
	1990	0.003	0.017	0.024	0.029	0.034	0.040	0.043	0.048	0.050	3978	0	0	0.030	2.1	0.0
	1991	0.005	0.018	0.024	0.028	0.034	0.041	0.043	0.047	0.057	4809	0	0	0.030	2.7	0.0
	1992	0.003	0.016	0.023	0.028	0.034	0.044	0.047	0.050	0.054	4800	0	0	0.031	3.7	0.0
	1993	0.002	0.017	0.023	0.028	0.033	0.041	0.043	0.048	0.055	4773	0	0	0.030	2.6	0.0
	1994	0.003	0.017	0.022	0.027	0.033	0.042	0.045	0.049	0.053	4807	0	0	0.030	0.0	2.9
	1995	0.001	0.013	0.019	0.025	0.032	0.042	0.044	0.052	0.059	4825	0	0	0.028	0.0	3.0
	1996	0.002	0.015	0.022	0.028	0.035	0.044	0.047	0.052	0.063	4831	0	0	0.031	0.1	4.1
	1997	0.001	0.015	0.023	0.030	0.038	0.045	0.048	0.051	0.084	4053	1	0	0.032	0.2	4.0
	1998	0.004	0.018	0.023	0.030	0.036	0.048	0.050	0.055	0.058	4782	0	0	0.032	0.0	6.0
	1999	0.002	0.016	0.024	0.029	0.036	0.045	0.048	0.054	0.058	4868	0	0	0.032	0.0	4.7
	2000	0.003	0.014	0.019	0.025	0.029	0.034	0.036	0.038	0.049	4641	0	0	0.025	0.0	1.0
	2001	0.002	0.016	0.023	0.029	0.036	0.048	0.051	0.055	0.068	4868	0	0	0.032	0.7	11.1
Badlands NP 460711001 (South Dakota) 730 m	1989	0.006	0.020	0.027	0.034	0.041	0.049	0.053	0.060	0.071	4840	0	0	0.040	9.2	3.1
	1990	0.006	0.019	0.027	0.032	0.037	0.044	0.048	0.054	0.063	4783	0	0	0.037	4.8	0.8
	1991	0.005	0.020	0.028	0.033	0.040	0.047	0.050	0.056	0.066	4584	0	0	0.038	6.2	0.7

Table AX3-3 (cont'd). Seasonal (April to October) Percentile Distribution of Hourly Ozone Concentrations (ppm), Number of Hourly Mean Ozone Occurrences ≥0.08 and ≥0.10, Seasonal 7-h Average Concentrations, SUM06, and W126 Values for Sites Experiencing Low Maximum Hourly Average Concentrations with Data Capture of ≥75%

Site	Year	Min.	Percentiles							Max.	No. of Obs.	Hours		Seasonal 7-h	SUM06 (ppm-h)	W126 (ppm-h)
			10	30	50	70	90	95	99			≥0.08	≥0.10			
Theod. Roos. NP 380530002 (North Dakota) 730 m	1984	0.000	0.017	0.025	0.032	0.039	0.047	0.050	0.059	0.068	4923	0	0	0.038	7.0	2.8
	1985	0.000	0.019	0.026	0.032	0.038	0.046	0.049	0.054	0.061	4211	0	0	0.038	5.0	0.1
	1986	0.004	0.017	0.027	0.033	0.039	0.047	0.050	0.056	0.062	4332	0	0	0.039	5.5	0.4
	1989	0.004	0.023	0.032	0.039	0.045	0.054	0.058	0.065	0.073	4206	0	0	0.046	14.2	11.0
	1992	0.005	0.019	0.027	0.033	0.039	0.047	0.050	0.056	0.063	4332	0	0	0.040	6.1	0.8
	1993	0.004	0.018	0.025	0.031	0.037	0.045	0.048	0.055	0.064	4281	0	0	0.038	4.6	0.7
	1994	0.000	0.018	0.028	0.035	0.041	0.049	0.052	0.058	0.079	4644	0	0	0.041	1.1	8.4
	1995	0.000	0.018	0.028	0.035	0.041	0.050	0.053	0.058	0.064	4242	0	0	0.042	1.2	7.7
	1996	0.003	0.022	0.031	0.037	0.043	0.051	0.054	0.059	0.064	3651	0	0	0.044	1.8	8.5
	1997	0.000	0.016	0.029	0.037	0.044	0.053	0.058	0.069	0.082	4344	8	0	0.046	11.8	14.6
Theod. Roos. NP 380070002 (North Dakota) 808 m	1999	0.007	0.024	0.031	0.037	0.042	0.049	0.052	0.058	0.070	5105	0	0	0.041	1.6	10
	2000	0.002	0.021	0.031	0.036	0.043	0.050	0.053	0.058	0.066	5105	0	0	0.041	2.3	10.5
	2001	0.002	0.023	0.031	0.036	0.042	0.049	0.052	0.058	0.064	5099	0	0	0.041	1.9	9.2
Custer NF, MT 300870101 (Montana) 1006 m	1978	0.000	0.010	0.020	0.035	0.040	0.050	0.055	0.060	0.070	4759	0	0	0.033	3.0	8.3
	1979	0.010	0.025	0.035	0.040	0.045	0.050	0.055	0.060	0.075	5014	0	0	0.043	7.3	13.2
	1980	0.010	0.025	0.035	0.040	0.050	0.055	0.060	0.065	0.070	4574	0	0	0.043	22.4	19.7
	1983	0.010	0.025	0.035	0.040	0.045	0.05	0.055	0.060	0.065	4835	0	0	0.042	4.2	10.7

at this site. Except for 1988, the year in which there were major forest fires at Yellowstone NP (WY), the monitoring site located there experienced no hourly average concentrations $\geq$0.08 ppm. Logan (1989) noted that O_3 hourly average concentrations rarely exceed 0.08 ppm at remote monitoring sites in the western United States. In almost all cases for the above sites, the maximum hourly average concentration was $\leq$0.075 ppm. The top 10 daily maximum 8-h average concentrations for sites experiencing low maximum hourly average concentrations with a data capture of $\geq$75% are summarized in Table AX3-4. The highest 8-h daily maximum concentrations do not necessarily all occur during the summer months. For example, at the Yellowstone National Park site, the first three highest 8-h daily maximum concentrations occurred in April and May in 1998, and the fourth highest, 8-h daily maximum concentration did not occur until July of that year. In 1999, the first three highest, 8-h daily maximum concentrations were observed in March and May, and the fourth highest value occurred in April. In 2000, the four highest values occurred in May, June, July, and August.

The 1996 O_3 AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a) noted that the 7-month (April to October) average of the 7-h daily average concentrations (0900 to 1559 hours) observed at the Theodore Roosevelt National Park monitoring site in North Dakota were 0.038, 0.039, and 0.039 ppm, respectively, for 1984, 1985, and 1986 and concluded that the range of 7-h seasonal averages for the Theodore Roosevelt National Park site was representative of the range of maximum daily 8-h average O_3 concentrations that may occur at other fairly clean sites in the United States and other locations in the Northern Hemisphere. However, as shown in Table AX3-4, the representative (as given by the fourth highest) daily maximum 8-h average O_3 concentrations at fairly clean sites in the United States are higher than the 0.038 and 0.039 ppm values cited in the 1996 O_3 AQCD, and more appropriate values should be used.

As described in the 1996 O_3 AQCD, the O_3 monitoring site in the Ouachita National Forest, AR experienced distributions of hourly average concentrations similar to some of the western sites. However, since 1993, this site has seen significant shifts, both increases and decreases, in hourly average concentrations. Figure AX3-12 shows the changes that have occurred from 1991 to 2001. The large changes in hourly average O_3 concentrations observed at the Ouachita National Forest may indicate that this rural site is influenced by the transport of pollution. Given the high density of sources in the eastern and midwestern United States, it is unclear whether a

Table AX3-4. The Top 10 Daily Maximum 8-h Average Concentrations (ppm) for Sites Experiencing Low Maximum Hourly Average Concentrations with Data Capture of ≥75%

Site	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Redwood NP 060150002 (California) 235 m	1988	0.061	0.058	0.053	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.046	0.046	0.045	0.045
	1989	0.044	0.043	0.043	0.043	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.041	0.041
	1990	0.051	0.048	0.048	0.047	0.047	0.046	0.045	0.044	0.043	0.043
	1991	0.048	0.047	0.046	0.045	0.045	0.045	0.044	0.044	0.043	0.043
	1992	0.060	0.053	0.045	0.045	0.045	0.044	0.044	0.043	0.043	0.042
	1993	0.049	0.046	0.043	0.043	0.043	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.041	0.041
	1994	0.048	0.048	0.046	0.046	0.045	0.044	0.044	0.043	0.043	0.043
Olympic NP 530090012 (Washington) 125 m	1989	0.054	0.052	0.047	0.044	0.044	0.044	0.042	0.042	0.038	0.038
	1990	0.056	0.048	0.046	0.046	0.043	0.040	0.040	0.039	0.038	0.038
	1991	0.050	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.042	0.041	0.041	0.041	0.041	0.041
	1993	0.055	0.052	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.038	0.038	0.037	0.037
	1994	0.050	0.046	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.041	0.041	0.040	0.040
	1995	0.064	0.063	0.050	0.049	0.045	0.045	0.044	0.044	0.044	0.044
	1996	0.046	0.046	0.046	0.046	0.043	0.042	0.041	0.041	0.041	0.040
	1997	0.052	0.051	0.046	0.045	0.045	0.045	0.044	0.043	0.042	0.042
	1998	0.051	0.050	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.043	0.042	0.041	0.041	0.041
	1999	0.045	0.044	0.044	0.043	0.043	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.041
	2000	0.051	0.051	0.048	0.047	0.045	0.044	0.043	0.042	0.042	0.042
	2001	0.051	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.045	0.044	0.044	0.044	0.043	0.043

Table AX3-4 (cont'd). The Top 10 Daily Maximum 8-h Average Concentrations (ppm) for Sites Experiencing Low Maximum Hourly Average Concentrations with Data Capture of ≥75%

Site	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Glacier NP 300298001 (Montana) 963 m	1989	0.062	0.061	0.060	0.059	0.058	0.057	0.056	0.056	0.056	0.056
	1990	0.058	0.057	0.055	0.054	0.053	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.052	0.052
	1991	0.060	0.057	0.057	0.057	0.056	0.055	0.055	0.054	0.054	0.053
	1992	0.062	0.056	0.055	0.054	0.054	0.054	0.053	0.053	0.053	0.053
	1993	0.055	0.052	0.051	0.051	0.050	0.050	0.049	0.049	0.049	0.048
	1994	0.057	0.057	0.056	0.056	0.055	0.055	0.055	0.055	0.054	0.053
	1995	0.061	0.055	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.052	0.051	0.051	0.051	0.050
	1996	0.059	0.059	0.058	0.058	0.057	0.057	0.055	0.056	0.055	0.055
	1997	0.056	0.054	0.052	0.052	0.052	0.051	0.050	0.050	0.050	0.050
	1998	0.060	0.059	0.058	0.058	0.056	0.056	0.055	0.055	0.055	0.054
	1999	0.065	0.065	0.060	0.058	0.056	0.055	0.055	0.055	0.055	0.054
	2000	0.059	0.058	0.058	0.056	0.054	0.052	0.051	0.050	0.050	0.050
	2001	0.054	0.052	0.049	0.049	0.049	0.048	0.047	0.047	0.047	0.047
Yellowstone NP 560391010 (Wyoming) 2484 m	1988	0.068	0.068	0.067	0.066	0.066	0.066	0.064	0.064	0.063	0.061
	1989	0.067	0.065	0.064	0.063	0.063	0.061	0.061	0.061	0.061	0.060
	1990	0.057	0.056	0.054	0.054	0.053	0.052	0.050	0.050	0.049	0.048
	1991	0.059	0.058	0.058	0.057	0.056	0.056	0.056	0.055	0.055	0.055
	1992	0.066	0.064	0.064	0.063	0.063	0.061	0.061	0.059	0.059	0.058
	1993	0.057	0.054	0.054	0.054	0.053	0.053	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.052
	1994	0.067	0.063	0.063	0.061	0.061	0.061	0.061	0.061	0.059	0.059
	1995	0.064	0.062	0.061	0.060	0.059	0.059	0.059	0.059	0.059	0.058

Table AX3-4 (cont'd). The Top 10 Daily Maximum 8-h Average Concentrations (ppm) for Sites Experiencing Low Maximum Hourly Average Concentrations with Data Capture of ≥75%

Site	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Yellowstone NP 560391011 (Wyoming) 2468 m	1997	0.065	0.065	0.062	0.061	0.061	0.060	0.057	0.056	0.056	0.056
	1998	0.069	0.068	0.066	0.066	0.063	0.063	0.061	0.061	0.061	0.060
	1999	0.078	0.074	0.073	0.071	0.070	0.070	0.070	0.069	0.068	0.067
	2000	0.070	0.069	0.067	0.065	0.065	0.065	0.064	0.064	0.063	0.063
	2001	0.068	0.068	0.066	0.066	0.065	0.064	0.064	0.064	0.064	0.063
Denali NP 022900003 (Alaska) 640 m	1988	0.055	0.054	0.054	0.053	0.053	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.052	0.052
	1990	0.049	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.047	0.047	0.046	0.046	0.046
	1991	0.054	0.054	0.050	0.050	0.047	0.046	0.046	0.046	0.045	0.044
	1992	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.051	0.050	0.050	0.049	0.049	0.049	0.049
	1993	0.053	0.053	0.051	0.048	0.048	0.047	0.047	0.046	0.046	0.046
	1994	0.053	0.051	0.049	0.049	0.049	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.048
	1995	0.058	0.056	0.056	0.054	0.051	0.050	0.049	0.046	0.046	0.046
	1996	0.058	0.053	0.053	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.052	0.052	0.051	0.051
	1997	0.054	0.053	0.052	0.051	0.051	0.050	0.050	0.049	0.049	0.049
	1998	0.057	0.056	0.056	0.055	0.054	0.054	0.054	0.054	0.053	0.053
	1999	0.056	0.056	0.054	0.054	0.054	0.053	0.053	0.053	0.052	0.051
	2000	0.046	0.046	0.044	0.044	0.044	0.043	0.043	0.042	0.042	0.042
	2001	0.061	0.058	0.057	0.055	0.055	0.055	0.053	0.053	0.053	0.053
Badlands NP 460711001 (South Dakota) 730 m	1989	0.069	0.066	0.064	0.063	0.060	0.058	0.057	0.057	0.057	0.057
	1990	0.061	0.059	0.055	0.055	0.054	0.052	0.052	0.051	0.051	0.050
	1991	0.058	0.058	0.056	0.056	0.056	0.055	0.055	0.054	0.054	0.053

Table AX3-4 (cont'd). The Top 10 Daily Maximum 8-h Average Concentrations (ppm) for Sites Experiencing Low Maximum Hourly Average Concentrations with Data Capture of ≥75%

Site	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Theod. Roos. NP 380530002 (North Dakota) 730 m	1984	0.064	0.062	0.062	0.062	0.059	0.058	0.057	0.057	0.057	0.057
	1985	0.058	0.055	0.055	0.054	0.054	0.054	0.053	0.053	0.053	0.052
	1986	0.059	0.058	0.057	0.056	0.055	0.055	0.054	0.053	0.053	0.052
	1989	0.073	0.069	0.066	0.065	0.065	0.064	0.063	0.063	0.063	0.063
	1992	0.060	0.059	0.058	0.058	0.056	0.056	0.056	0.054	0.054	0.054
	1993	0.062	0.059	0.056	0.056	0.055	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.052	0.052
	1994	0.066	0.064	0.058	0.058	0.057	0.056	0.056	0.056	0.056	0.055
	1995	0.060	0.059	0.058	0.058	0.058	0.058	0.057	0.057	0.056	0.055
	1996	0.060	0.059	0.059	0.059	0.058	0.058	0.057	0.057	0.057	0.056
	1997	0.080	0.073	0.072	0.071	0.069	0.068	0.066	0.066	0.063	0.063
Theod. Roos. NP 380070002 (North Dakota) 808 m	1999	0.063	0.060	0.059	0.058	0.057	0.057	0.057	0.056	0.056	0.056
	2000	0.062	0.061	0.060	0.059	0.059	0.057	0.057	0.057	0.057	0.057
	2001	0.060	0.059	0.059	0.058	0.058	0.057	0.057	0.056	0.055	0.055
Custer NF, MT 300870101 (Montana) 1006 m	1978	0.069	0.065	0.063	0.062	0.061	0.061	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.058
	1979	0.073	0.066	0.066	0.065	0.063	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.059	0.059
	1980	0.069	0.069	0.069	0.068	0.067	0.067	0.066	0.066	0.064	0.064
	1983	0.064	0.061	0.060	0.060	0.059	0.058	0.058	0.058	0.056	0.056

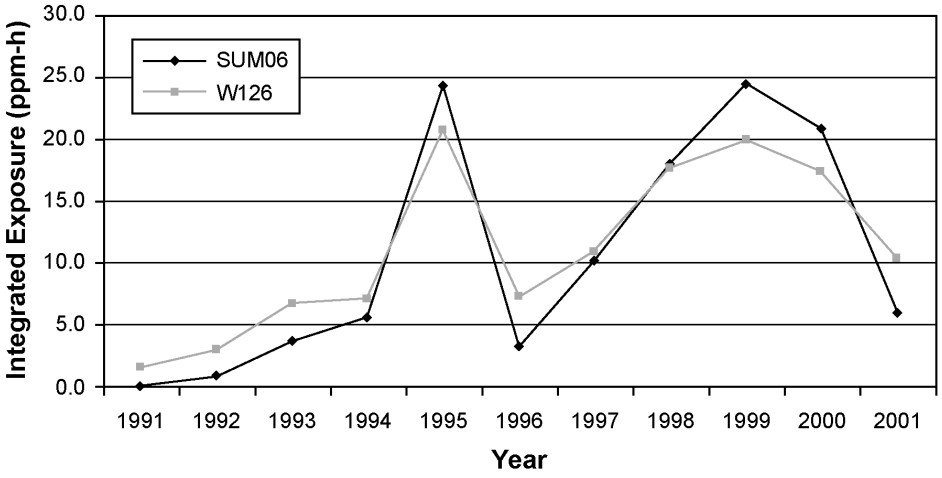


Figure AX3-12. Seasonal SUM06 and W126 exposure indices for the Ouachita National Forest for the period of 1991 to 2001.

site could be found in either of these regions that would not be influenced by the transport of O_3 from urban areas. Thus, with the exception of the Voyageurs National Park site, observations in this section are limited to those obtained at relatively clean, remote sites in western North America.

AX3.2.1 Nationwide Distribution of Metrics for Characterizing Exposures of Vegetation to Ozone

The previous O_3 AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a) concluded that higher hourly average concentrations ($\geq$0.10 ppm) should be provided greater weight than mid-level (0.06 to 0.099 ppm) and lower hourly average concentrations in predicting injury and yield reduction for agricultural crops and forests. The most recent findings concerning the importance of the higher hourly average concentrations in comparison to the mid-level and lower values will be discussed in Chapter 9. Because of a lack of air quality data collected at rural and remote locations, interpolation techniques, such as kriging, have been applied to the estimation of O_3 exposures across the United States (Reagan, 1984; Lefohn et al., 1987; Knudsen and Lefohn, 1988). "Kriging" (Matheron, 1963) has been used in the analyses of air quality data (Grivet, 1980; Faith and Sheshinski, 1979) and was used to provide estimates of seasonal O_3 values for the National Crop Loss Assessment Network (NCLAN) for 1978 through 1982 (May

to September of each year) (Reagan, 1984). These values, along with updated values, coupled with exposure-response models, were used to predict agriculturally related economic benefits anticipated by lower O_3 levels in the United States (Adams et al., 1985, 1989).

For 2001, ordinary kriging was used to estimate the seasonal W126, SUM06, and number of hours ≥0.10 ppm (N100), using hourly average concentrations accumulated over a 24-h period. As discussed in Chapter 9, the correlation between the number of occurrences of hourly average concentrations ≥0.10 ppm and the magnitude of the W126 and SUM06 values is not strong. Because of this, the N100 was also estimated, along with the W126 and SUM06 exposure indices. For the period of April through September, the estimates of the seasonal W126, SUM06, and N100 exposure index values were made for each 0.5° by 0.5° cell in the continuous United States. The kriged values, the variance, and the 95% error bound for each 0.5° by 0.5° cell were estimated. Because of the concern for inner-city depletion caused by NO_x scavenging, data from specific monitoring stations located in large metropolitan areas were not included in the analysis.

Figure AX3-13 shows the kriged values for the 24-h cumulative seasonal W126 exposure index and the N100 index for 2001 for the eastern United States. Note that for some of the areas with elevated W126 values (e.g., >35 ppm-h), the number of hourly average concentrations was estimated to be <22. Figure AX3-14 illustrates the kriged values using the 24-h cumulative seasonal SUM06 exposure index and the N100 index for 2001 for the eastern United States. Figures AX3-15 and AX3-16 show the W126 and SUM06 values, respectively, with the N100 values for the central United States region. For 2001, the number of hourly average concentrations ≥0.10 ppm was usually <22 for the 6-month period. Figures AX3-17 and AX3-18 illustrate the W126 and SUM06 values, respectively, for the western United States region. Note that in the Southern California and Central California areas, the number of hourly average concentrations ≥0.10 ppm was in the range of 48 to 208 for the 6-month period. This is considerably greater than the frequency of occurrences for the higher hourly average concentrations observed in the eastern and central United States.

Due to the scarcity of monitoring sites across the United States, especially in the Rocky Mountain region, the uncertainty in the estimates for the various exposure indices vary. Figures AX3-19 through AX3-27 illustrate the 95% confidence intervals associated with the

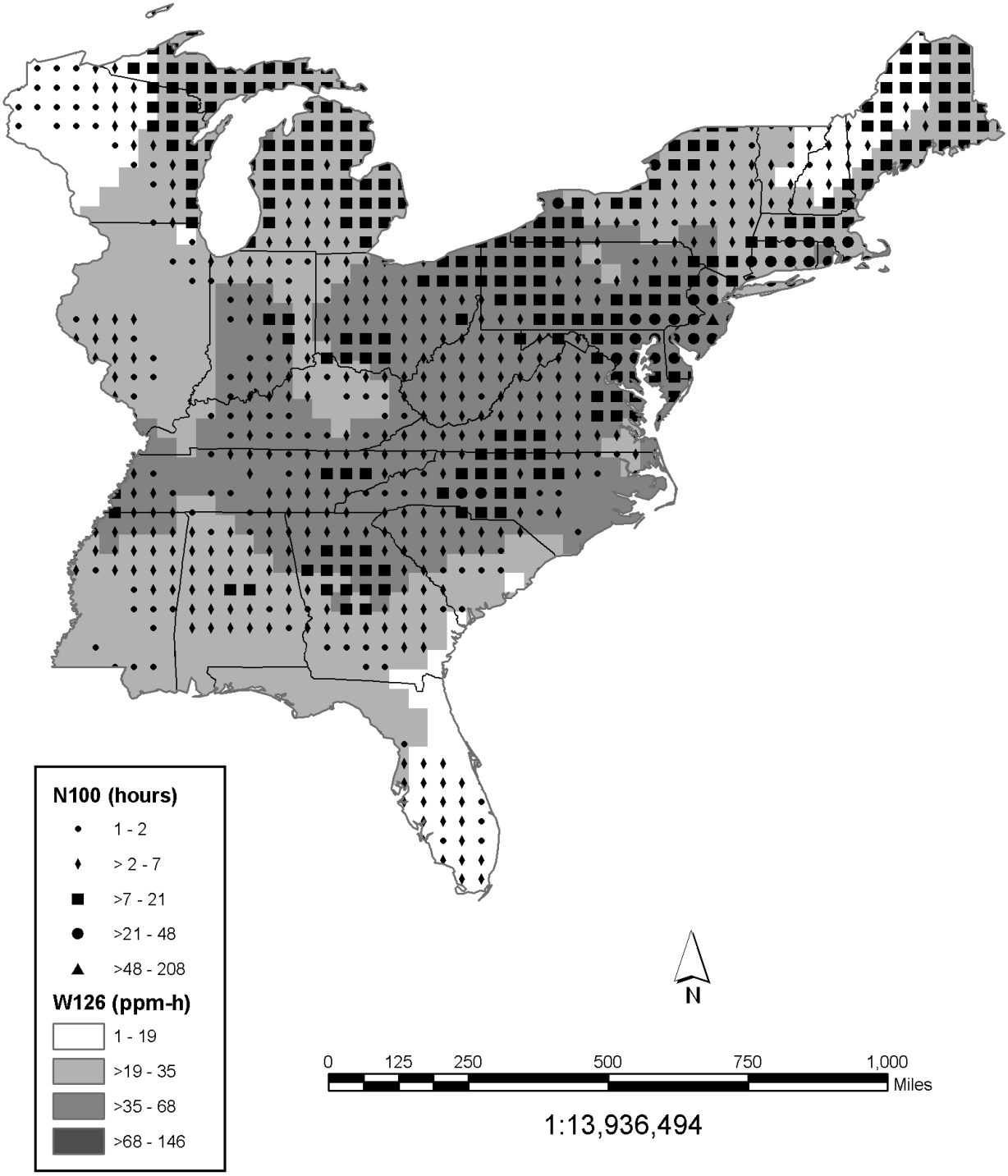


Figure AX3-13. Six-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative W126 exposure index with the number of hourly average concentrations ≥0.10 ppm (N100) occurring during 2001 for the eastern United States.

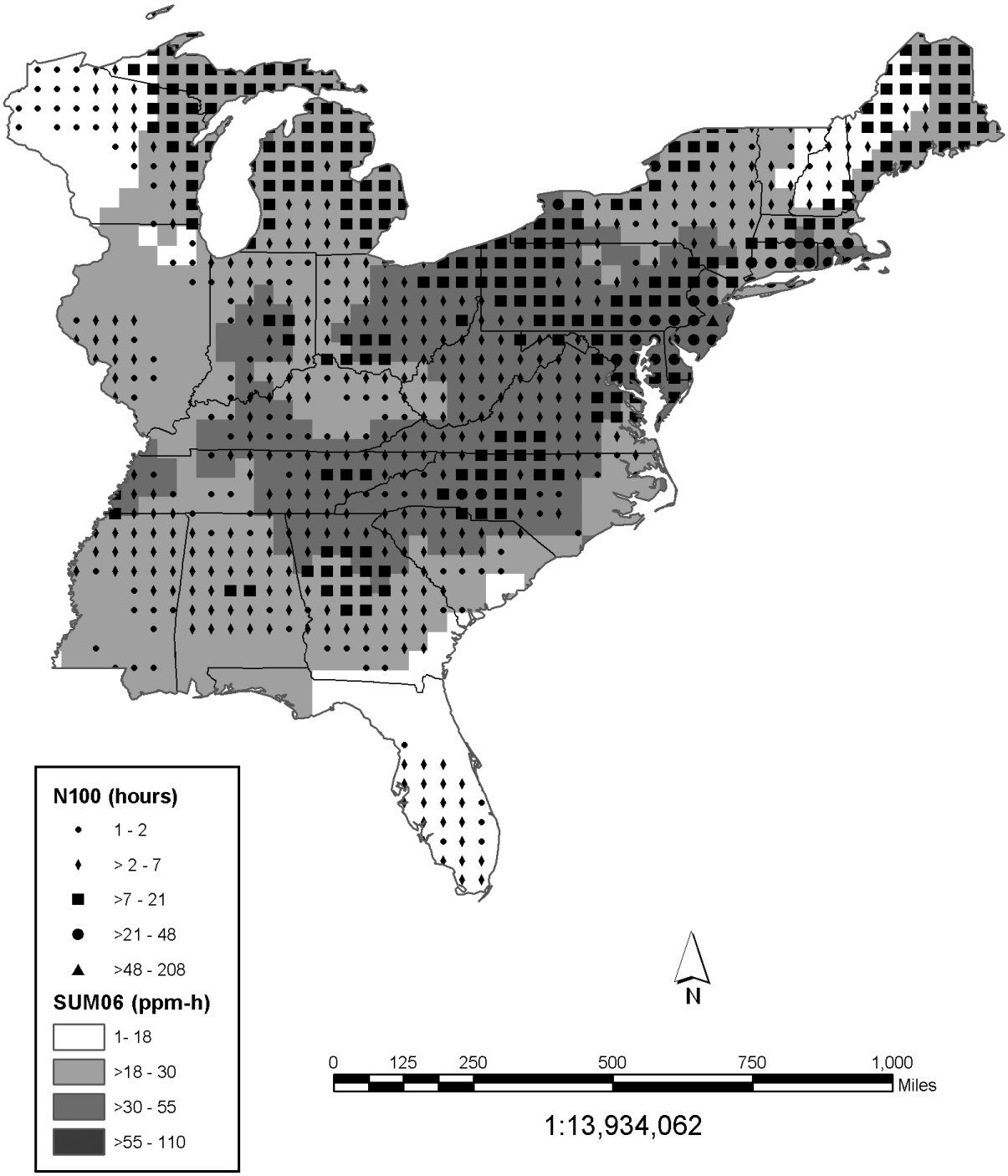
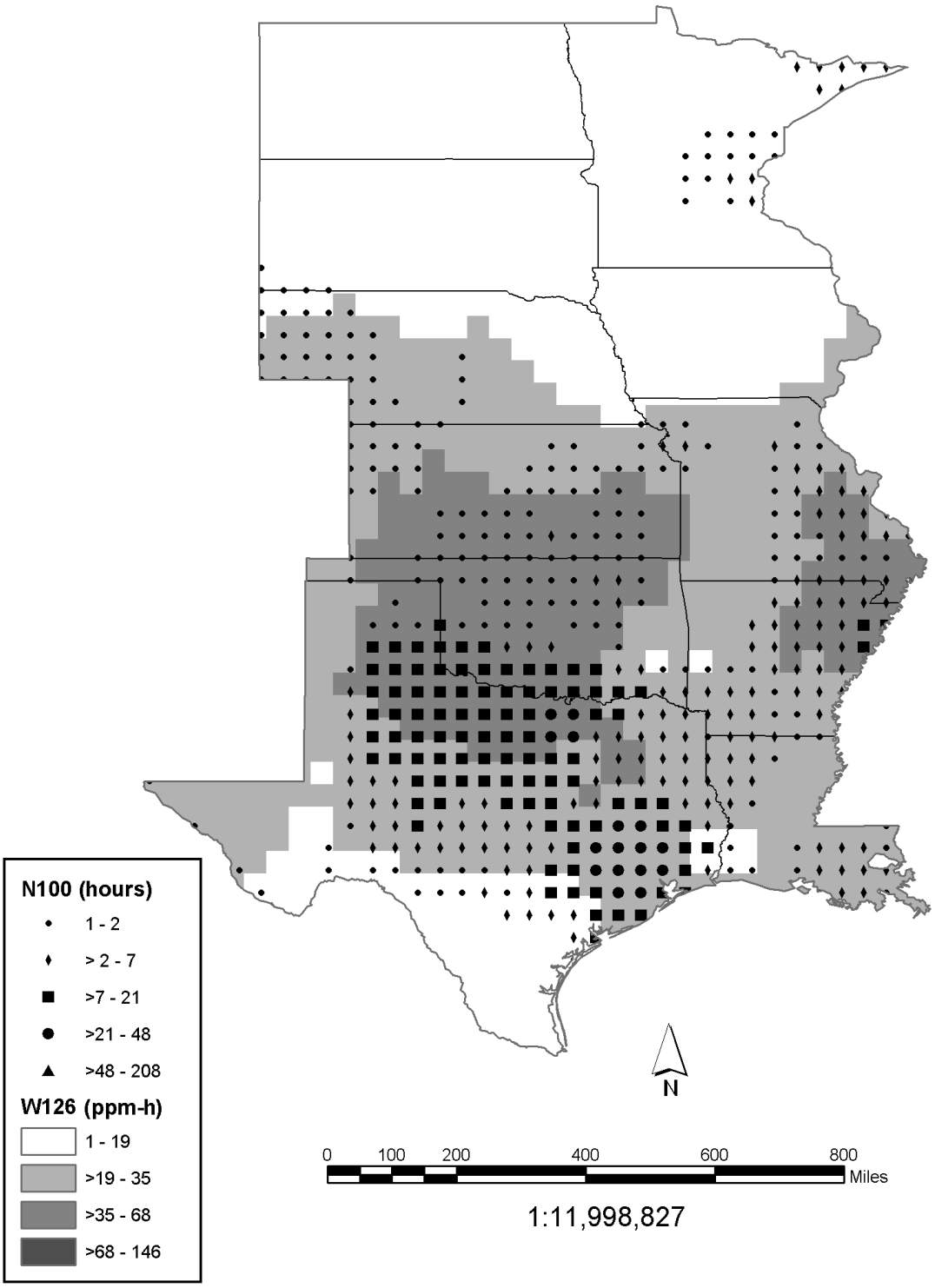


Figure AX3-14. Six-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative SUM06 exposure index with the number of hourly average concentrations ≥0.10 ppm (N100) occurring during 2001 for the eastern United States.



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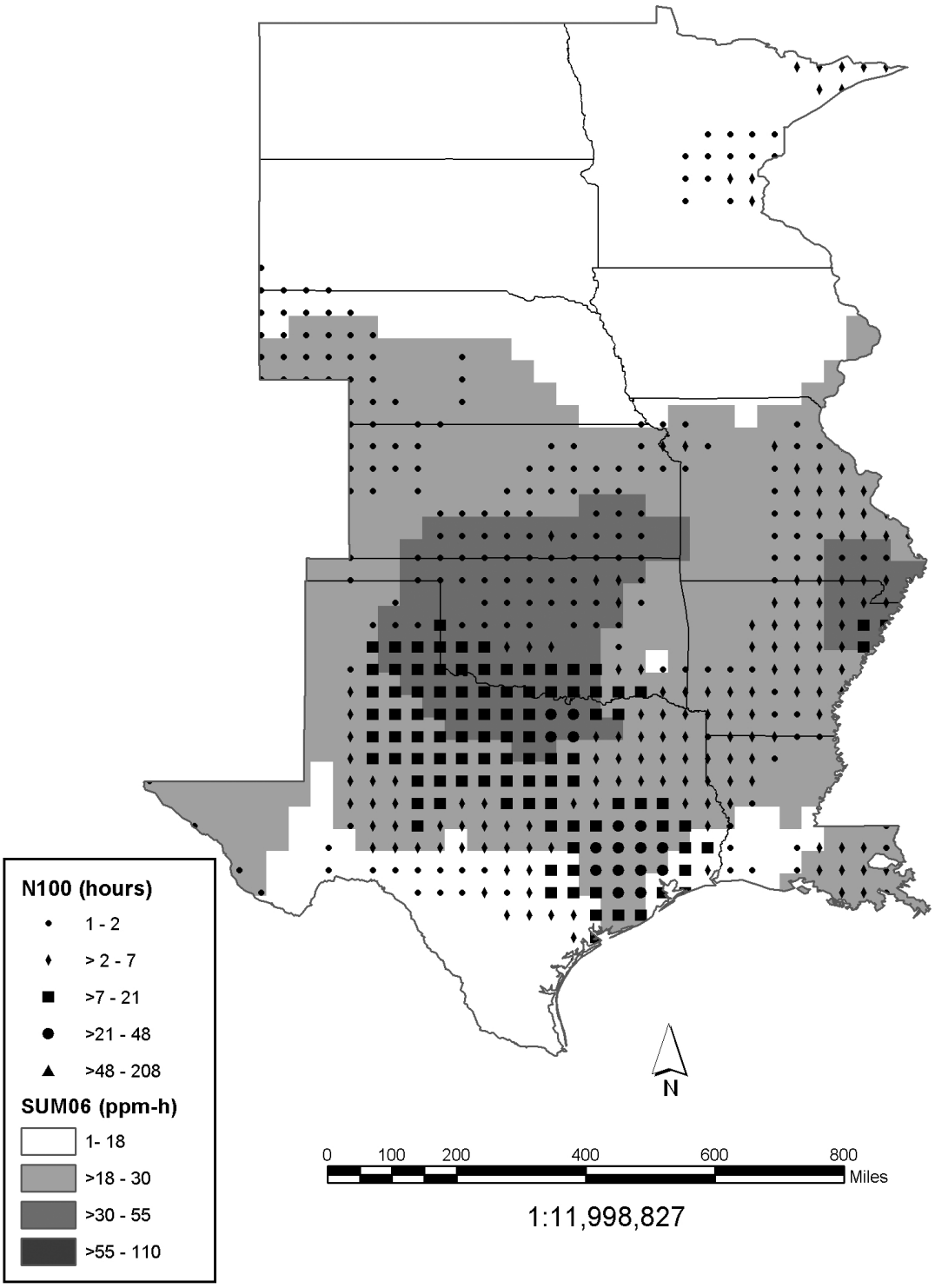


Figure AX3-16. Six-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative SUM06 exposure index with the number of hourly average concentrations ≥0.10 ppm (N100) occurring during 2001 for the central United States.

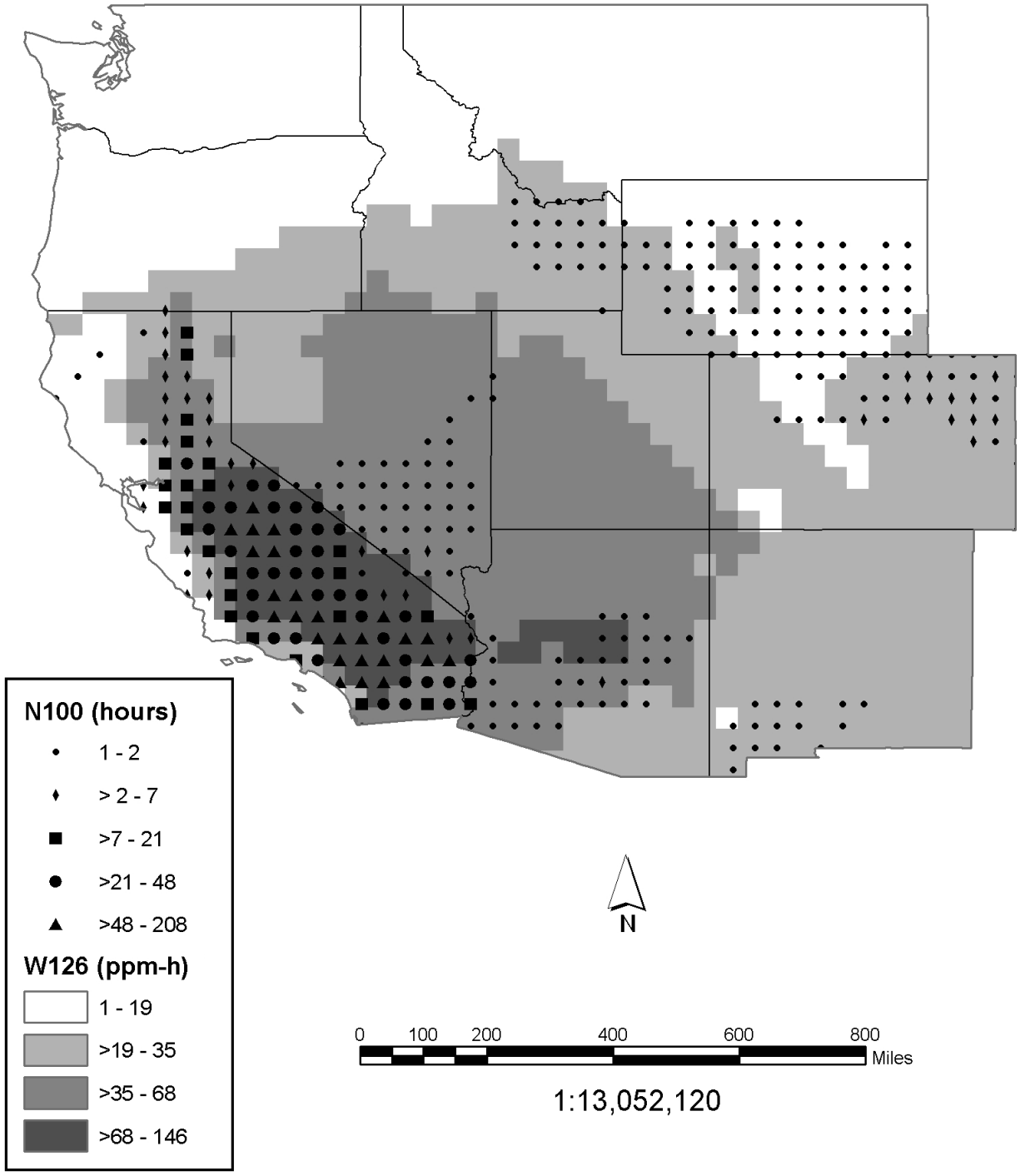


Figure AX3-17. Six-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative W126 exposure index with the number of hourly average concentrations ≥0.10 ppm (N100) occurring during 2001 for the western United States.

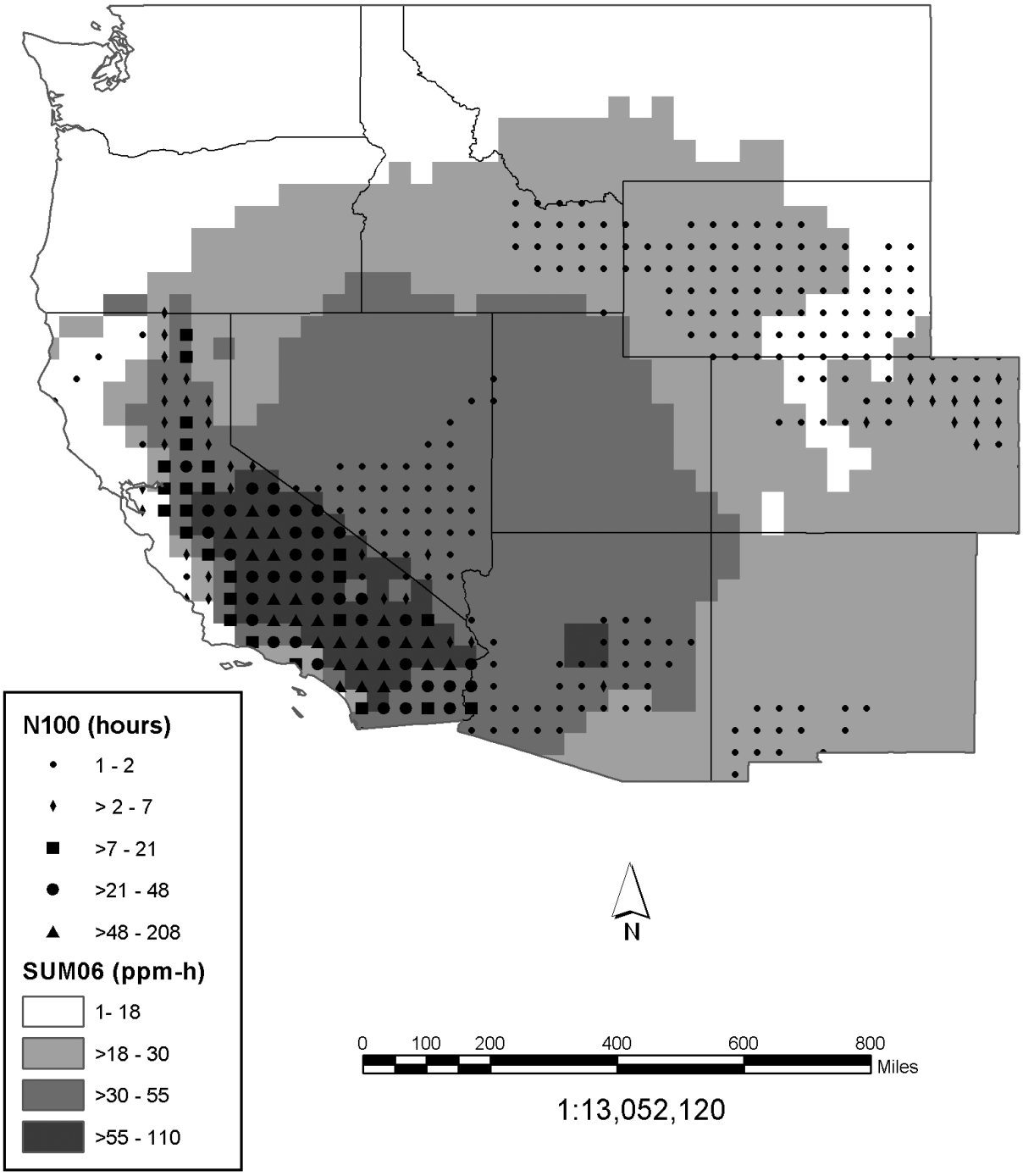


Figure AX3-18. Six-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative SUM06 exposure index with the number of hourly average concentrations ≥0.10 ppm (N100) occurring during 2001 for the western United States.

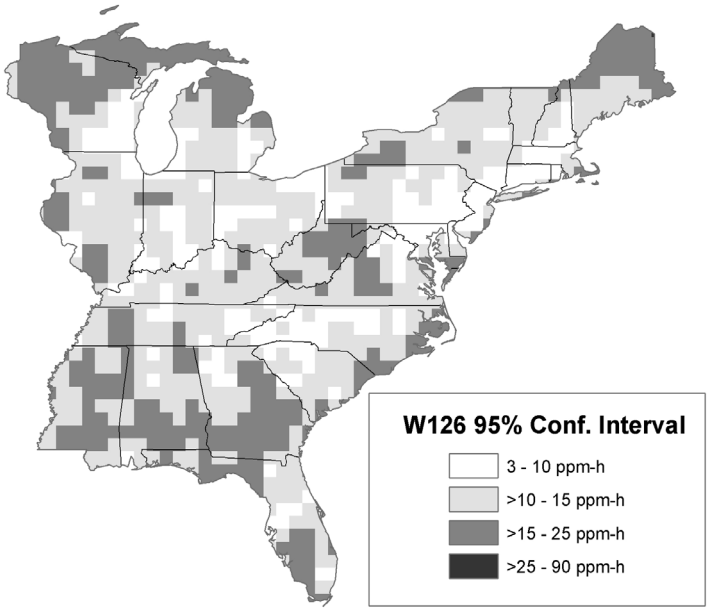


Figure AX3-19. The 95% confidence interval for the 6-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative W126 exposure index for 2001 for the eastern United States.

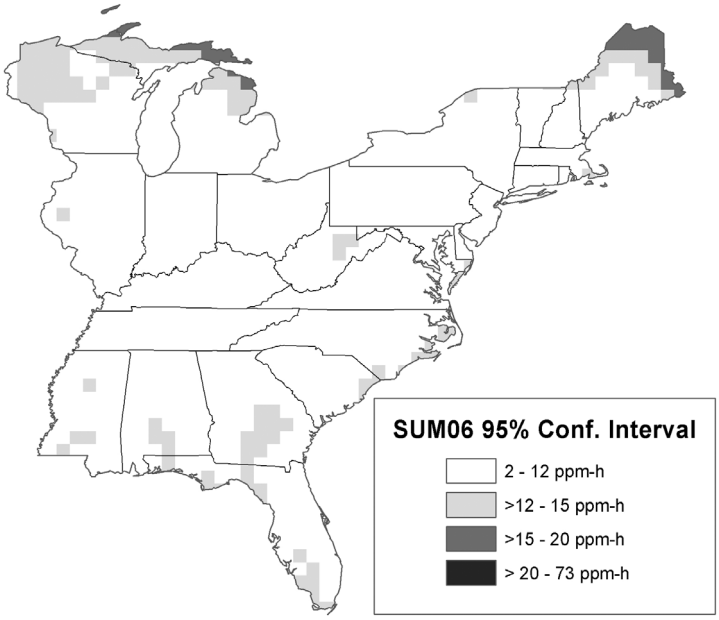


Figure AX3-20. The 95% confidence interval for the 6-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative SUM06 exposure index for 2001 for the eastern United States.

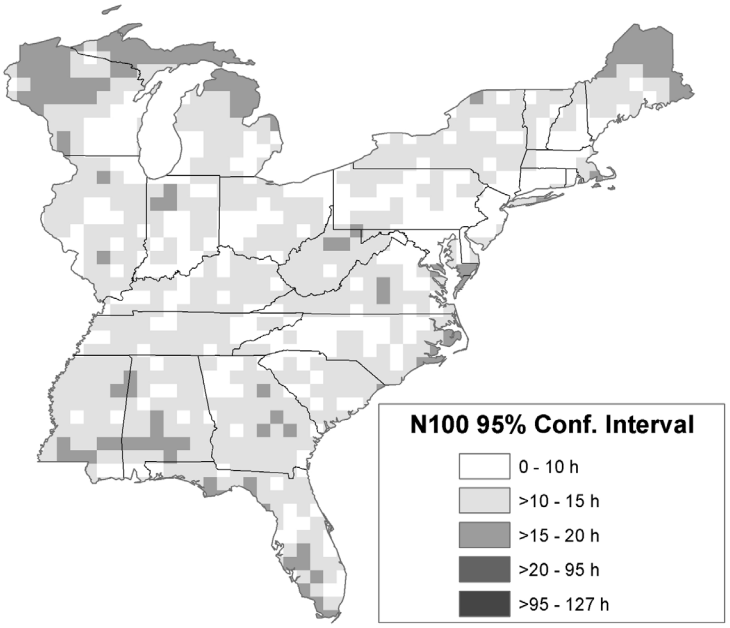


Figure AX3-21. The 95% confidence interval for the 6-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative N100 exposure index for 2001 for the eastern United States.

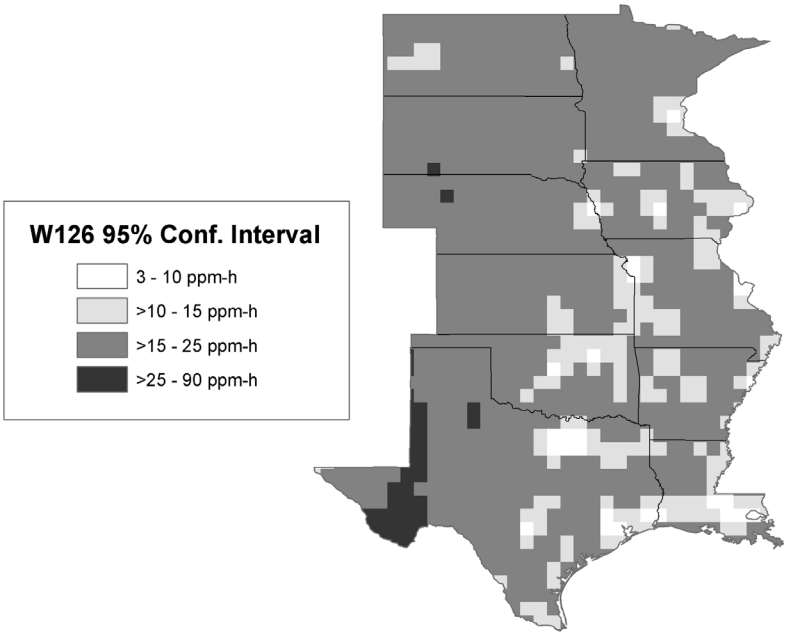
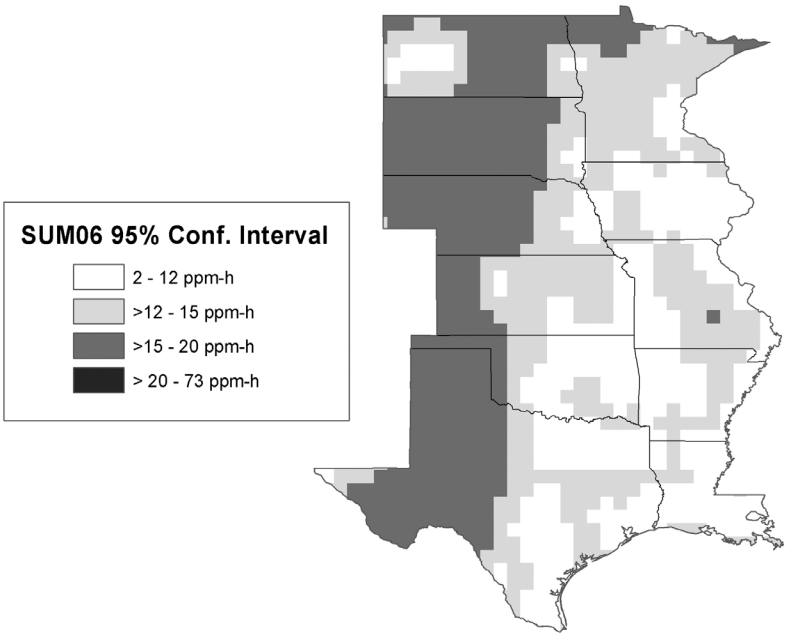


Figure AX3-22. The 95% confidence interval for the 6-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative W126 exposure index for 2001 for the central United States.



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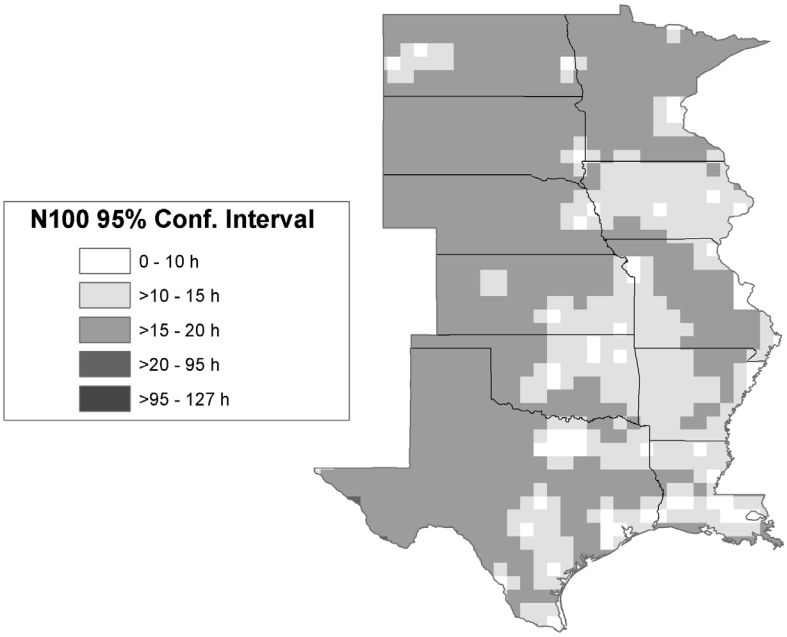

Figure AX3-24. The 95% confidence interval for the 6-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative N100 exposure index for 2001 for the central United States.

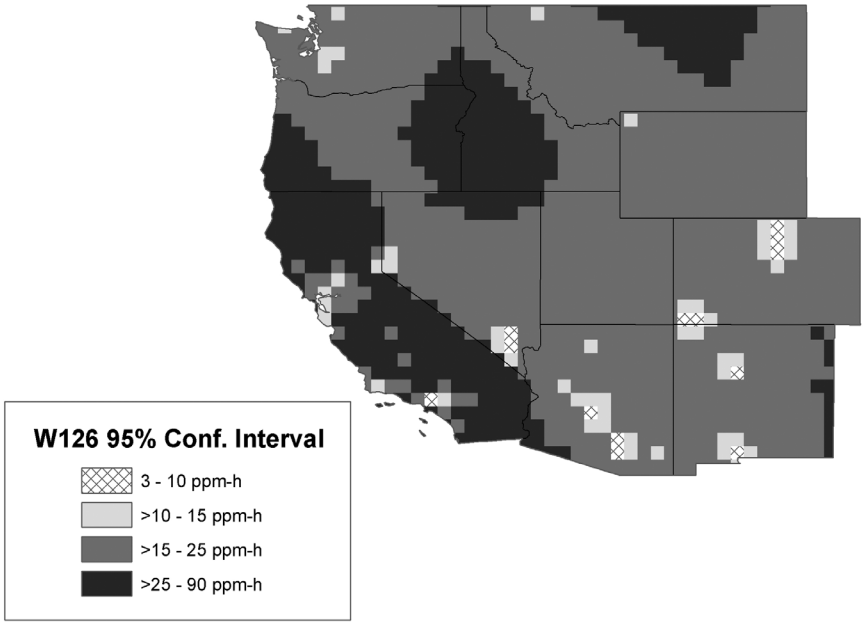

Figure AX3-25. The 95% confidence interval for the 6-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative W126 exposure index for 2001 for the western United States.

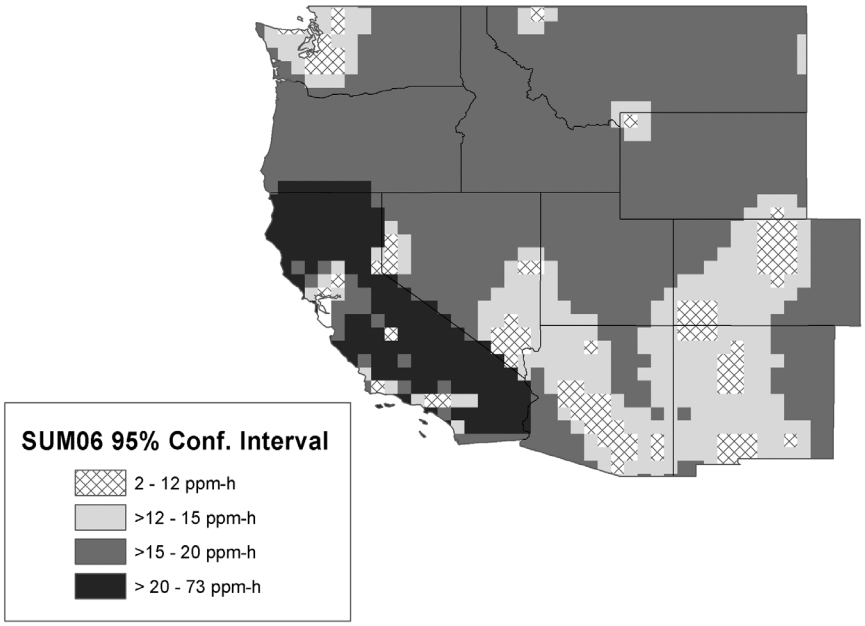

Figure AX3-26. The 95% confidence interval for the 6-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative SUM06 exposure index for 2001 for the western United States.

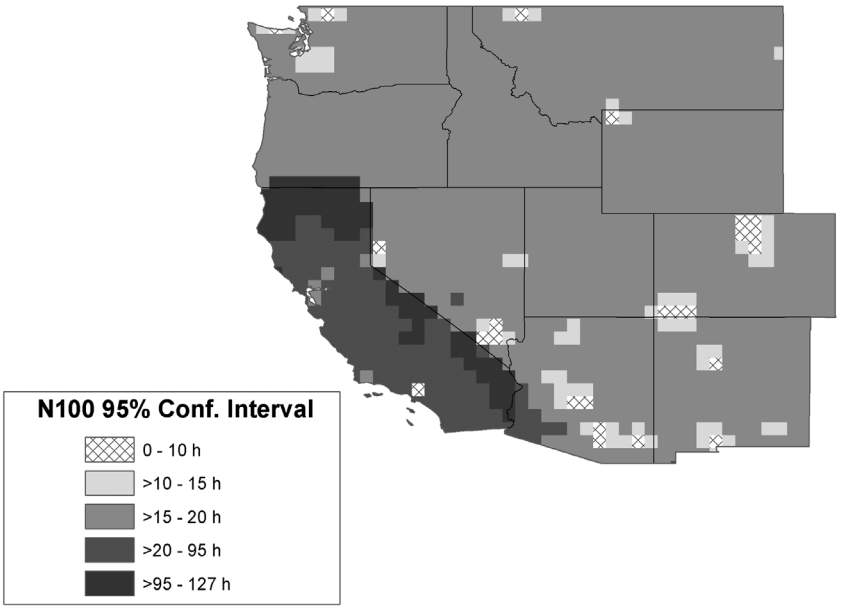

Figure AX3-27. The 95% confidence interval for the 6-month (April to September) 24-h cumulative N100 exposure index for 2001 for the western United States.

indices by region. In some cases, the uncertainty in the estimates of the exposure indices is large. However, based on the actual hourly average concentrations measured, the pattern of distinct differences across the regions in the United States for the number of hourly average concentrations $\geq$0.10 ppm is real even though the uncertainty in the kriged estimates may be large.

AX3.3 SPATIAL VARIABILITY IN OZONE CONCENTRATIONS

The spatial variability of O_3 concentrations in different environments in the United States occurring across a variety of spatial scales is characterized in this section. This information will be useful for understanding the influence of regional or altitudinal differences in O_3 exposure on vegetation and for establishing the spatial variations in O_3 concentrations as they are used in epidemiologic studies. Intracity variations in O_3 concentrations are described in Section

AX3.3.1. Small scale horizontal and vertical variations in O_3 concentrations are discussed in Section AX3.3.2. Ozone concentrations at high elevations are characterized in Section AX3.3.3.

AX3.3.1 Spatial Variability of Ozone Concentrations in Urban Areas

A number of processes can contribute to spatial variability in O_3 concentrations in urban areas. Ozone formation occurs more or less continuously downwind of sources of precursors, producing a gradient in O_3 concentrations. Ozone "titration" by reaction with NO can deplete O_3 levels near NO sources such as highways and busy streets. Differences in surface characteristics affect the rate of deposition of O_3. Mixing of O_3 from aloft can also lead to local enhancements in O_3 concentration.

The spatial variability in O_3 concentrations in 24 MSAs across the United States is characterized in this section. These areas were chosen to provide analyses to help guide in risk assessments, to provide a general overview of the spatial variability of O_3 in different regions of the country, and also to provide insight in to the spatial distribution of O_3 in cities where health outcome studies have been conducted. Statistical analyses of the human health effects of airborne pollutants based on aggregate population time-series data have often relied on ambient concentrations of pollutants measured at one or more central sites in a given metropolitan area. In the particular case of ground-level O_3 pollution, central-site monitoring has been justified as a regional measure of exposure partly on grounds that correlations between concentrations at neighboring sites measured over time are usually high (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a). In analyses where multiple monitoring sites provide ambient O_3 concentrations, a summary measure such as an averaged concentration has often been regarded as adequately characterizing the exposure distribution. Indeed, a number of studies have referred to multiple-site averaging as the method for estimating O_3 exposure (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a). It is hoped that the analyses presented here will shed some light on the suitability of this practice. Earlier analyses were reported in the previous O_3 AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a). The analyses presented there concluded that the extent of spatial homogeneity is specific to the MSA under study. In particular, cities with low traffic densities that are located downwind of major sources of precursors are heavily influenced by long range transport and tend to show smaller spatial variability (e.g., New Haven, CT) than those source areas with high traffic densities located upwind (e.g., New York, NY).

Metrics for characterizing spatial variability include the use of Pearson correlation coefficients (r), values of the 90th percentile (P_{90}) absolute difference in concentrations, and coefficients of divergence (COD)[1]. These methods of analysis follow those used for characterizing $PM_{2.5}$ and $PM_{10-2.5}$ concentrations in Pinto et al. (2004) and in the latest edition of the PM AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2004a). Data were aggregated over the local O_3 season as indicated in Table AX3-1. The length of the O_3 season varies across the country. In several southwestern states, it lasts all year long. In other areas, such as in New England, the mid-Atlantic states, the Midwest and the Northwest it can be 6 months long, but typically it lasts from April through October.

Table AX3-5 shows the urban areas chosen, the range of 24-h average O_3 concentrations over the O_3 season, the range of intersite correlation coefficients, the range of P_{90} differences in O_3 concentrations between site pairs, and the range in COD values. A COD of zero implies that values in both data sets are identical, and a COD of one indicates that two data sets are completely different. In general, statistics were calculated for partial MSAs. This was done so as to obtain reasonable lower estimates of the spatial variability that is present, as opposed to examining the consolidated MSAs. In Boston, MA and New York, NY, this could not be readily done, and so statistics were calculated for the consolidated MSAs. More detailed calculations for a subset of nine MSAs are given in Figures AX3-28 through AX3-36.

As can be seen, there are no clearly discernible regional trends in the ranges of parameters shown. Additional urban areas would need to be examined to discern broadscale patterns. The data indicate considerable variability in the concentration fields. Mean O_3 concentrations vary within individual urban areas from factors of 1.4 to 4.0.

The highest annual mean O_3 concentration (0.058 ppm) is found in the Phoenix, AZ MSA at a site which is located in the mountains well downwind of the main urban area. The lowest annual mean O_3 concentration (0.010 ppm) was found in Lynwood in the urban core of the Los Angeles MSA. CO and NO_x monitors at this site recorded the highest concentrations in

[1] The COD is defined as follows:

$$COD_{jk} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{p}\sum_{i=1}^{p}\left(\frac{x_{ij} - x_{ik}}{x_{ij} + x_{ik}}\right)^2} \qquad \text{(AX3-1)}$$

where x_{ij} and x_{ik} represent the 24-h average $PM_{2.5}$ concentration for day i at site j and site k and p is the number of observations.

Table AX3-5. Summary Statistics for Ozone (in ppm) Spatial Variability in Selected U.S. Urban Areas

Urban Area	Number of Sites	Minimum Mean Conc.	Maximum Mean Conc.	Minimum Corr. Coeff.	Maximum Corr. Coeff.	Minimum P_{90}[a]	Maximum P_{90}	Minimum COD[b]	Maximum COD
Boston, MA	18	0.021	0.033	0.46	0.93	0.012	0.041	0.17	0.45
New York, NY	29	0.015	0.041	0.45	0.96	0.0080	0.044	0.17	0.55
Philadelphia, PA	12	0.020	0.041	0.79	0.95	0.011	0.036	0.23	0.46
Washington, DC	20	0.022	0.041	0.72	0.97	0.010	0.032	0.17	0.45
Charlotte, NC	8	0.031	0.043	0.48	0.95	0.012	0.038	0.17	0.32
Atlanta, GA	12	0.023	0.047	0.63	0.94	0.013	0.045	0.24	0.55
Tampa, FL	9	0.024	0.035	0.74	0.94	0.011	0.025	0.20	0.35
Detroit, MI	7	0.022	0.037	0.74	0.96	0.0090	0.027	0.19	0.36
Chicago, IL	24	0.015	0.039	0.38	0.96	0.0080	0.043	0.16	0.50
Milwaukee, WI	9	0.027	0.038	0.73	0.96	0.0090	0.025	0.18	0.33
St. Louis, MO	17	0.022	0.038	0.78	0.96	0.0090	0.031	0.15	0.41
Baton Rouge, LA	7	0.018	0.031	0.81	0.95	0.0090	0.029	0.23	0.41
Dallas, TX	10	0.028	0.043	0.67	0.95	0.011	0.033	0.16	0.36
Houston, TX	13	0.016	0.036	0.73	0.96	0.0090	0.027	0.20	0.38
Denver, CO	8	0.022	0.044	0.60	0.92	0.013	0.044	0.16	0.46
El Paso, TX	4	0.022	0.032	0.81	0.94	0.012	0.023	0.24	0.31
Salt Lake City, UT	8	0.029	0.048	0.52	0.92	0.012	0.043	0.13	0.51
Phoenix, AZ	15	0.021	0.058	0.29	0.95	0.011	0.057	0.15	0.61
Seattle, WA	5	0.015	0.038	0.63	0.94	0.0080	0.024	0.16	0.46
Portland, OR	5	0.015	0.036	0.73	0.91	0.011	0.025	0.20	0.50
Fresno, CA	6	0.030	0.047	0.90	0.97	0.0090	0.027	0.17	0.40
Bakersfield, CA	8	0.028	0.047	0.23	0.96	0.013	0.052	0.20	0.58
Los Angeles, CA	14	0.010	0.042	0.42	0.95	0.010	0.053	0.22	0.59
Riverside, CA	18	0.018	0.054	0.38	0.95	0.013	0.057	0.15	0.64

[a]P90 = 90th percentile absolute difference in concentrations.
[b]COD = coefficient of divergence for different site pairs.

Charlotte - Gastonia - Rock Hill, NC - SC MSA

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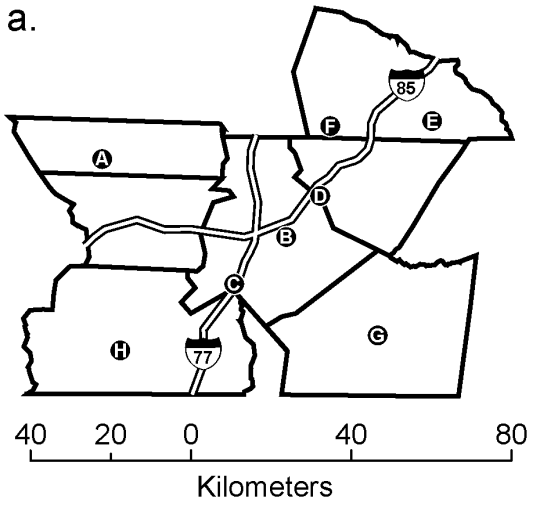

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Site A	37-109-0004
Site B	37-119-0041
Site C	37-119-1005
Site D	37-119-1009
Site E	37-159-0021
Site F	37-159-0022
Site G	37-179-0003
Site H	45-091-0006

c.

Site	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
mean (ppm)	0.034	0.034	0.031	0.035	0.039	0.040	0.038	0.035
A	1	0.87 0.020 0.28 4508	0.86 0.021 0.29 4824	0.88 0.019 0.28 4834	0.88 0.021 0.28 4821	0.86 0.023 0.31 4677	0.84 0.023 0.29 4664	0.85 0.021 0.29 4749
B		1	0.93 0.015 0.20 4706	0.95 0.012 0.17 4720	0.91 0.018 0.23 4503	0.87 0.020 0.26 4366	0.90 0.017 0.24 4341	0.82 0.021 0.27 4621
C			1	0.91 0.017 0.21 5045	0.85 0.023 0.28 4821	0.82 0.025 0.30 4677	0.87 0.020 0.27 4657	0.82 0.022 0.30 4955
D				1	0.93 0.015 0.21 4832	0.89 0.018 0.25 4688	0.87 0.019 0.25 4664	0.81 0.022 0.27 4968
E					1	0.89 0.016 0.22 4684	0.88 0.018 0.22 4651	0.83 0.021 0.24 4744
F						1	0.81 0.022 0.26 4510	0.81 0.021 0.23 4608
G							1	0.83 0.019 0.26 4582
H								1

Key
Pearson correlation coefficient
90th %-ile difference in concentration
Coefficient of divergence
Number of paired observations

Figure AX3-28. Locations of O_3 sampling sites (a) by AQS ID# (b) and intersite correlation statistics (c) for the Charlotte, NC-Gastonia-Rock Hill, SC MSA. The mean observed O_3 concentration at each site is given above its letter code. For each data pair, the Pearson correlation coefficient, 90th percentile difference in absolute concentrations, the coefficient of divergence, and number of observations are given.

California, indicating that titration of O_3 by NO freshly emitted from tail pipes of motor vehicles is responsible for the low O_3 values that are found. Ratios of highest to lowest mean O_3 concentrations in these two MSAs are among the highest shown in Table AX3-5. Both of these MSAs are characterized by sunny, warm climates; sources of precursors that are associated with O_3 titration to varying degrees in their urban centers; and with maximum O_3 found well

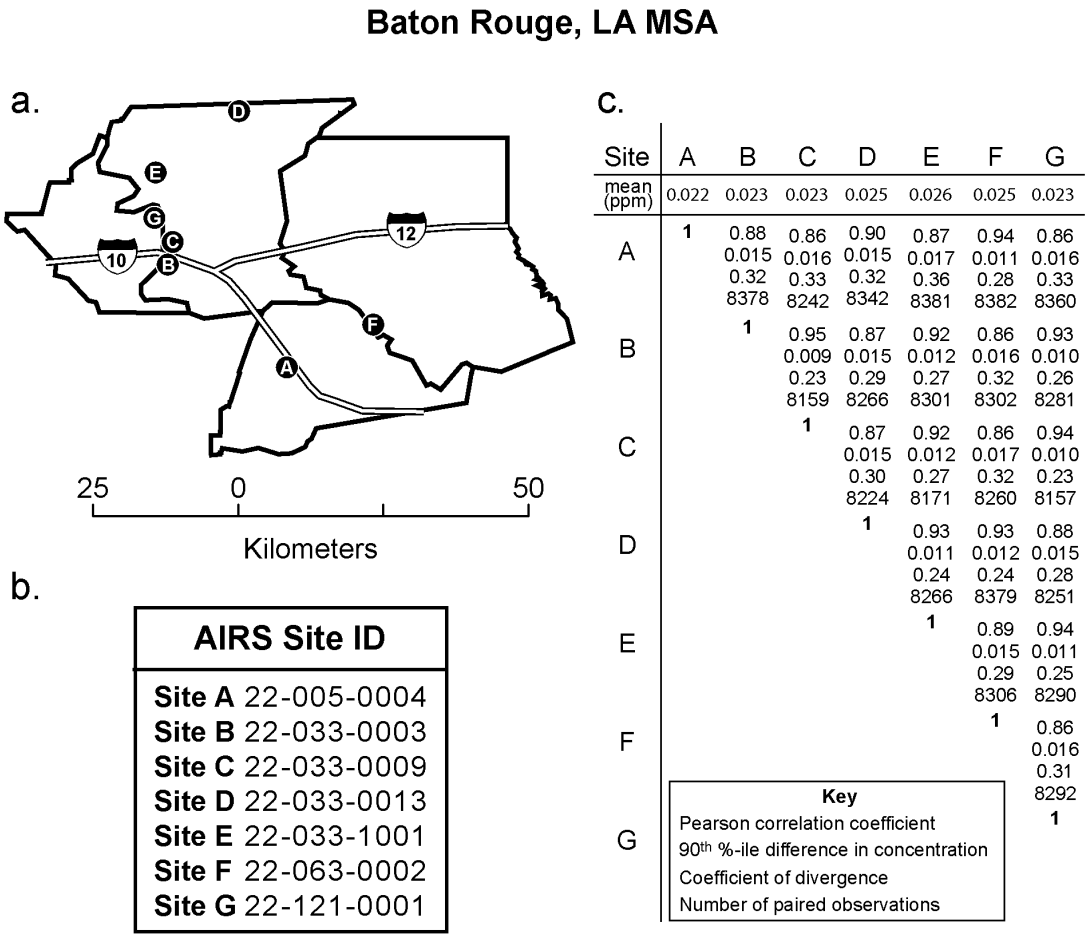
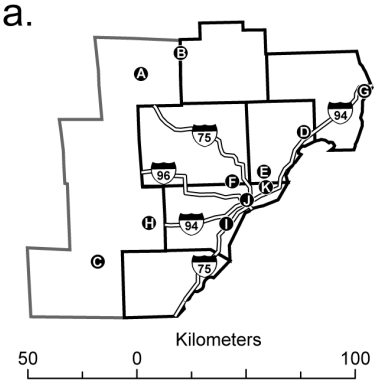


Figure AX3-29. Locations of O_3 sampling sites (a) by AQS ID# (b) and intersite correlation statistics (c) for the Baton Rouge, LA MSA. The mean observed O_3 concentration at each site is given above its letter code. For each data pair, the Pearson correlation coefficient, 90th percentile difference in absolute concentrations, the coefficient of divergence, and number of observations are given.

downwind of the urban centers. Intersite correlation coefficients show mixed patterns, i.e., in some urban areas all pairs of sites are moderately to highly correlated, while other areas show a very large range of values. As may be expected, those areas which show smaller ratios of seasonal mean concentrations also exhibit a smaller range of intersite correlation coefficients. Within the examined urban areas, P_{90} values were evenly distributed between all site pairs considered. The CODs indicate variability among site pairs. However, there are a number of

Detroit - Ann Arbor - Flint, MI CMSA

a.



b.

AIRS Site ID	
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Site C	26-091-0007
Site D	26-099-0009
Site E	26-099-1003
Site F	26-125-0001
Site G	26-147-0005
Site H	26-161-0008
Site I	26-163-0001
Site J	26-163-0016
Site K	26-163-0019

c.

Site	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
mean (ppm)	0.033	0.035	0.037	0.032	0.031	0.028	0.031	0.032	0.026	0.028	0.028
A	1	0.93 0.012 0.20 4333	0.84 0.019 0.24 4151	0.84 0.019 0.26 4253	0.86 0.019 0.27 4341	0.86 0.020 0.30 4103	0.81 0.020 0.26 4338	0.86 0.019 0.27 4163	0.82 0.024 0.35 4228	0.84 0.022 0.32 4324	0.85 0.020 0.29 4247
B		1	0.84 0.019 0.22 4152	0.86 0.017 0.25 4252	0.85 0.020 0.28 4341	0.84 0.023 0.33 4104	0.82 0.019 0.25 4339	0.84 0.021 0.28 4164	0.81 0.025 0.37 4230	0.81 0.024 0.36 4323	0.84 0.021 0.32 4248
C			1	0.85 0.020 0.27 4072	0.86 0.020 0.28 4159	0.87 0.022 0.32 3930	0.78 0.023 0.27 4156	0.92 0.015 0.25 4164	0.84 0.025 0.37 4049	0.86 0.023 0.35 4143	0.86 0.021 0.32 4068
D				1	0.91 0.014 0.26 4260	0.88 0.019 0.31 4022	0.86 0.017 0.25 4259	0.86 0.019 0.27 4086	0.84 0.022 0.34 4148	0.87 0.020 0.31 4245	0.90 0.016 0.27 4193
E					1	0.94 0.014 0.24 4112	0.83 0.020 0.27 4346	0.89 0.017 0.25 4172	0.88 0.020 0.31 4235	0.94 0.013 0.24 4330	0.96 0.010 0.19 4255
F						1	0.83 0.021 0.29 4109	0.91 0.015 0.25 3944	0.85 0.020 0.31 4000	0.93 0.013 0.23 4093	0.93 0.014 0.24 4025
G							1	0.79 0.022 0.28 4169	0.76 0.024 0.36 4233	0.80 0.022 0.33 4329	0.83 0.020 0.29 4255
H								1	0.88 0.019 0.34 4062	0.89 0.017 0.29 4153	0.89 0.017 0.27 4081
I									1	0.89 0.016 0.29 4217	0.90 0.018 0.29 4144
J										1	0.95 0.011 0.21 4242
K											1

Key
Pearson correlation coefficient
90th %-ile difference in concentration
Coefficient of divergence
Number of paired observations

Figure AX3-30. Locations of O_3 sampling sites (a) by AQS ID# (b) and intersite correlation statistics (c) for the Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI CMSA. The mean observed O_3 concentration at each site is given above its letter code. For each data pair, the Pearson correlation coefficient, 90th percentile difference in absolute concentrations, the coefficient of divergence, and number of observations are given.

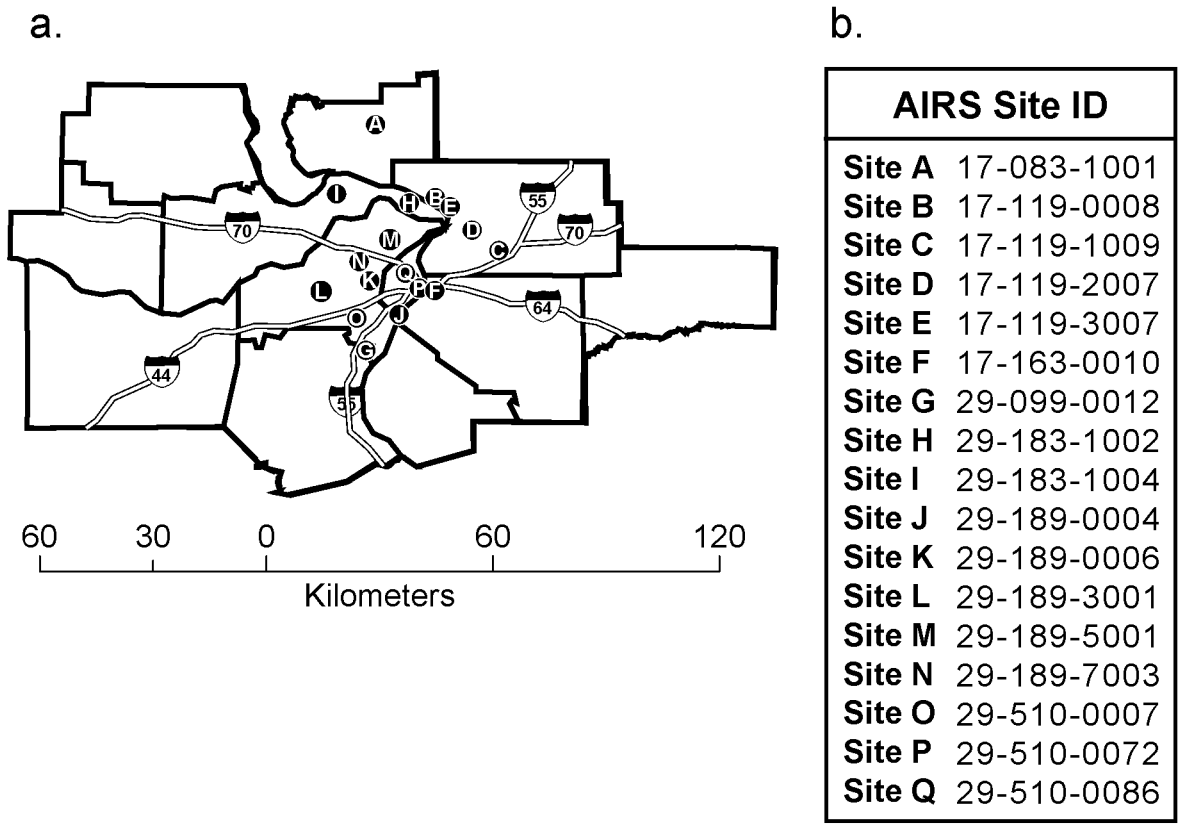

Figure AX3-31. Locations of O_3 sampling sites (a) by AQS ID# (b) and intersite correlation statistics (c) for the St. Louis, MO-IL MSA. The mean observed O_3 concentration at each site is given above its letter code. For each data pair, the Pearson correlation coefficient, 90th percentile difference in absolute concentrations, the coefficient of divergence, and number of observations are given.

St. Louis, MO - IL CMSA

C.

Site	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
mean (ppm)	0.037	0.035	0.031	0.029	0.031	0.028	0.035	0.034	0.035	0.032	0.031	0.025	0.030	0.030	0.028	0.024	0.030
A	1	0.88 0.015 0.19 5055	0.84 0.020 0.26 4935	0.84 0.022 0.29 5032	0.85 0.021 0.29 5021	0.83 0.025 0.38 5045	0.81 0.021 0.28 5049	0.89 0.016 0.21 5052	0.91 0.014 0.20 4735	0.82 0.022 0.28 5077	0.84 0.021 0.29 5073	0.80 0.029 0.37 5075	0.86 0.022 0.31 5077	0.85 0.021 0.32 5071	0.80 0.026 0.36 5035	0.82 0.027 0.40 5034	0.85 0.022 0.34 5065
B		1	0.87 0.017 0.26 4963	0.90 0.016 0.26 5061	0.93 0.013 0.23 5048	0.86 0.021 0.34 5077	0.82 0.019 0.28 5078	0.93 0.012 0.18 5082	0.90 0.014 0.19 4766	0.83 0.020 0.27 5106	0.85 0.018 0.27 5102	0.84 0.024 0.34 5105	0.87 0.019 0.30 5106	0.84 0.020 0.30 5101	0.84 0.022 0.33 5064	0.87 0.022 0.35 5064	0.88 0.018 0.31 5094
C			1	0.92 0.012 0.24 4941	0.88 0.015 0.26 4933	0.92 0.014 0.29 4952	0.87 0.018 0.26 4958	0.90 0.015 0.23 4963	0.88 0.016 0.24 4680	0.88 0.016 0.25 4985	0.87 0.016 0.26 4981	0.85 0.020 0.32 4983	0.90 0.015 0.26 4985	0.88 0.016 0.27 4979	0.86 0.018 0.30 4943	0.88 0.017 0.32 4942	0.91 0.014 0.27 4973
D				1	0.93 0.012 0.22 5024	0.90 0.014 0.29 5050	0.85 0.019 0.26 5055	0.91 0.016 0.23 5058	0.88 0.017 0.25 4742	0.86 0.018 0.27 5083	0.84 0.018 0.27 5079	0.84 0.020 0.30 5081	0.87 0.016 0.27 5085	0.85 0.017 0.28 5077	0.86 0.017 0.28 5042	0.88 0.016 0.29 5040	0.90 0.015 0.27 5073
E					1	0.90 0.015 0.29 5039	0.84 0.019 0.27 5045	0.93 0.013 0.22 5046	0.90 0.015 0.23 4728	0.85 0.018 0.27 5069	0.84 0.018 0.29 5065	0.88 0.018 0.32 5067	0.88 0.016 0.29 5069	0.86 0.017 0.29 5065	0.88 0.016 0.29 5027	0.89 0.017 0.30 5027	0.90 0.015 0.28 5057
F						1	0.90 0.018 0.28 5067	0.90 0.018 0.32 5070	0.89 0.018 0.32 4754	0.91 0.016 0.29 5095	0.88 0.017 0.30 5091	0.90 0.016 0.32 5093	0.92 0.014 0.27 5095	0.91 0.015 0.27 5091	0.92 0.013 0.26 5053	0.92 0.015 0.28 5053	0.94 0.012 0.23 5083
G							1	0.87 0.017 0.23 5075	0.86 0.017 0.24 4756	0.95 0.012 0.22 5100	0.91 0.015 0.25 5096	0.88 0.022 0.33 5098	0.88 0.018 0.27 5100	0.88 0.017 0.26 5094	0.89 0.020 0.29 5058	0.86 0.023 0.35 5057	0.91 0.016 0.26 5088
H								1	0.94 0.011 0.15 4759	0.87 0.017 0.24 5103	0.88 0.016 0.24 5099	0.87 0.022 0.32 5101	0.92 0.015 0.26 5103	0.90 0.015 0.27 5097	0.86 0.020 0.31 5062	0.87 0.022 0.35 5060	0.91 0.015 0.29 5091
I									1	0.86 0.017 0.28 4784	0.90 0.015 0.25 4782	0.88 0.022 0.33 4782	0.91 0.016 0.27 4784	0.90 0.016 0.28 4778	0.85 0.021 0.32 4742	0.86 0.022 0.35 4743	0.90 0.017 0.30 4773
J										1	0.92 0.013 0.26 5124	0.91 0.018 0.30 5126	0.91 0.015 0.24 5128	0.91 0.014 0.23 5122	0.90 0.016 0.25 5086	0.88 0.019 0.30 5085	0.93 0.013 0.22 5116
K											1	0.87 0.019 0.29 5122	0.90 0.015 0.23 5124	0.91 0.014 0.23 5118	0.86 0.018 0.28 5082	0.87 0.020 0.30 5081	0.90 0.015 0.25 5112
L												1	0.88 0.018 0.28 5126	0.90 0.017 0.28 5120	0.90 0.015 0.27 5084	0.88 0.016 0.27 5083	0.92 0.016 0.26 5114
M													1	0.96 0.009 0.18 5122	0.87 0.018 0.26 5086	0.87 0.019 0.29 5085	0.95 0.011 0.21 5116
N														1	0.87 0.017 0.26 5080	0.86 0.019 0.31 5079	0.94 0.011 0.20 5110
O															1	0.92 0.014 0.26 5045	0.92 0.014 0.25 5074
P																1	0.92 0.016 0.28 5074
Q																	1

Key
Pearson correlation coefficient
90th %-ile difference in concentration
Coefficient of divergence
Number of paired observations

Figure AX3-31 (cont'd).

Phoenix - Mesa, AZ MSA

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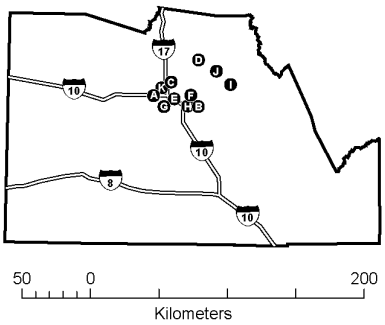

b.

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Site D	04-013-2005
Site E	04-013-3002
Site F	04-013-3003
Site G	04-013-4003
Site H	04-013-4005
Site I	04-013-9702
Site J	04-013-9704
Site K	04-013-9997

c.

Site	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
mean (ppm)	0.021	0.025	0.028	0.046	0.021	0.024	0.024	0.028	0.038	0.041	0.024
A	1	0.87 0.017 0.38 7580	0.91 0.018 0.35 8031	0.59 0.046 0.59 7991	0.93 0.012 0.31 7925	0.89 0.016 0.35 7593	0.91 0.014 0.32 7901	0.90 0.017 0.34 6651	0.78 0.034 0.54 8020	0.78 0.037 0.55 8081	0.95 0.011 0.27 7920
B		1	0.90 0.018 0.25 7962	0.69 0.038 0.46 7912	0.89 0.016 0.41 7872	0.92 0.013 0.33 7502	0.89 0.015 0.30 7826	0.93 0.014 0.22 6768	0.83 0.027 0.38 7895	0.85 0.029 0.41 8011	0.90 0.016 0.32 7858
C			1	0.62 0.040 0.47 8377	0.92 0.019 0.40 8326	0.92 0.016 0.34 7965	0.91 0.017 0.28 8273	0.92 0.016 0.24 7022	0.82 0.027 0.39 8367	0.82 0.030 0.41 8468	0.95 0.013 0.28 8319
D				1	0.58 0.047 0.61 8286	0.63 0.043 0.56 7925	0.58 0.042 0.51 8231	0.61 0.043 0.49 6992	0.67 0.025 0.23 8332	0.79 0.018 0.16 8429	0.58 0.045 0.56 8281
E					1	0.92 0.014 0.35 7894	0.94 0.012 0.35 8180	0.93 0.015 0.37 6938	0.82 0.033 0.57 8279	0.80 0.037 0.58 8369	0.95 0.012 0.31 8238
F						1	0.90 0.015 0.35 7863	0.94 0.012 0.30 6599	0.82 0.030 0.50 7913	0.84 0.033 0.52 8009	0.93 0.013 0.31 7846
G							1	0.93 0.014 0.25 6882	0.81 0.029 0.44 8225	0.80 0.033 0.46 8322	0.93 0.013 0.29 8166
H								1	0.82 0.029 0.41 6963	0.83 0.032 0.43 7078	0.93 0.013 0.25 6912
I									1	0.86 0.016 0.17 8411	0.81 0.031 0.50 8265
J										1	0.80 0.035 0.51 8367
K											1

Key
Pearson correlation coefficient
90th %-ile difference in concentration
Coefficient of divergence
Number of paired observations

Figure AX3-32. Locations of O_3 sampling sites (a) by AQS ID# (b) and intersite correlation statistics (c) for the Phoenix-Mesa, AZ MSA. The mean observed O_3 concentration at each site is given above its letter code. For each data pair, the Pearson correlation coefficient, 90th percentile difference in absolute concentrations, the coefficient of divergence, and number of observations are given.

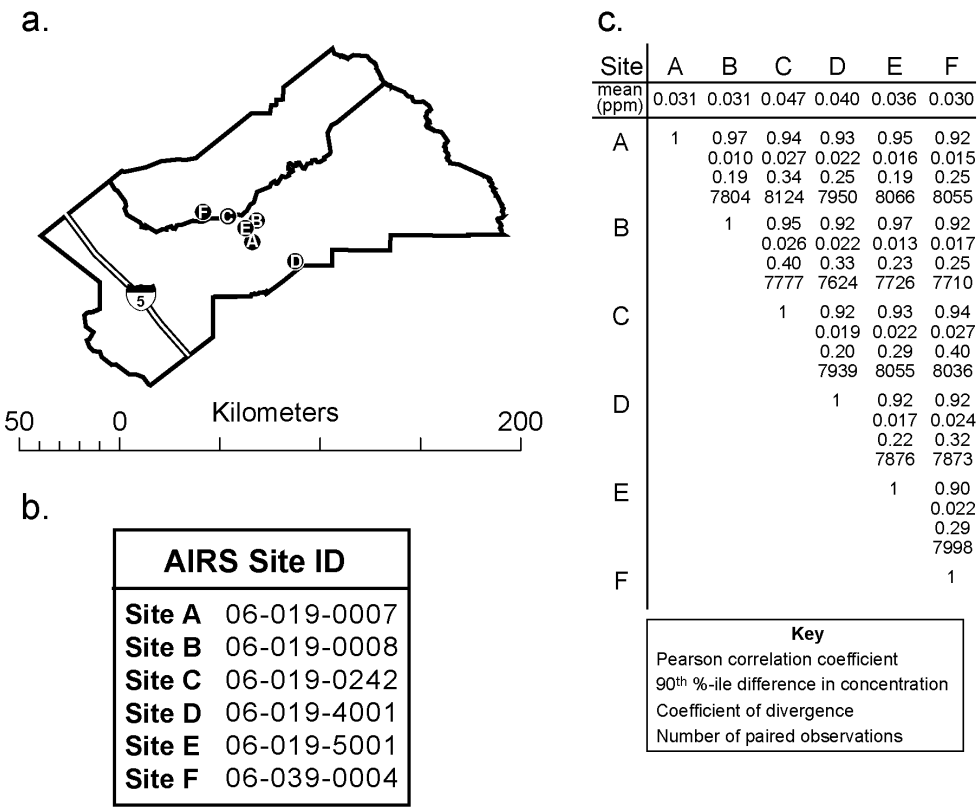

Figure AX3-33. Locations of O_3 sampling sites (a) by AQS ID# (b) and intersite correlation statistics (c) for the Fresno, CA MSA. The mean observed O_3 concentration at each site is given above its letter code. For each data pair, the Pearson correlation coefficient, 90th percentile difference in absolute concentrations, the coefficient of divergence, and number of observations are given.

cases where sites in an urban area may be moderately to highly correlated but showed substantial differences in absolute concentrations. In many cases, values for P_{90} equaled or exceeded seasonal mean O_3 concentrations. This was reflected in both values for P_{90} and for the COD.

It is instructive to compare the metrics for spatial variability shown in Table AX3-5 to those calculated for $PM_{2.5}$ and $PM_{10-2.5}$ in the PM AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2004a). The values for concentrations and concentration differences are unique to the individual species, but the intersite correlation coefficients and the COD values can be directly compared.

Bakersfield, CA MSA

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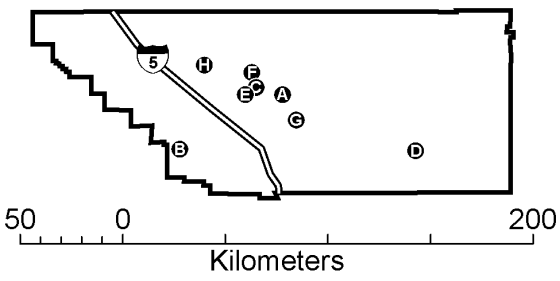

b.

AIRS Site ID
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Site B 06-029-0008
Site C 06-029-0010
Site D 06-029-0011
Site E 06-029-0014
Site F 06-029-0232
Site G 06-029-5001
Site H 06-029-6001

c.

Site	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
mean (ppm)	0.039	0.047	0.029	0.047	0.030	0.038	0.043	0.030
A	1	0.87 0.026 0.28 8299	0.82 0.030 0.40 7835	0.62 0.038 0.35 8127	0.80 0.032 0.45 8307	0.88 0.019 0.24 7915	0.87 0.022 0.24 8283	0.80 0.031 0.40 8061
B		1	0.76 0.042 0.47 7779	0.68 0.028 0.28 8079	0.75 0.044 0.51 8251	0.87 0.025 0.29 7880	0.89 0.021 0.20 8244	0.75 0.042 0.47 8006
C			1	0.62 0.047 0.48 7612	0.95 0.014 0.30 7791	0.88 0.026 0.37 7469	0.84 0.032 0.43 7772	0.94 0.015 0.29 7549
D				1	0.62 0.047 0.49 8096	0.69 0.033 0.34 7695	0.68 0.032 0.30 8066	0.61 0.047 0.46 7903
E					1	0.86 0.028 0.41 7862	0.84 0.033 0.46 8244	0.96 0.013 0.28 8024
F						1	0.89 0.021 0.25 7843	0.85 0.028 0.37 7626
G							1	0.84 0.033 0.42 8005
H								1

Key
Pearson correlation coefficient
90th %-ile difference in concentration
Coefficient of divergence
Number of paired observations

Figure AX3-34. Locations of O_3 sampling sites (a) by AQS ID# (b) and intersite correlation statistics (c) for the Bakersfield, CA MSA. The mean observed O_3 concentration at each site is given above its letter code. For each data pair, the Pearson correlation coefficient, 90th percentile difference in absolute concentrations, the coefficient of divergence, and number of observations are given.

In general, the variability in O_3 concentrations is larger than for $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations and comparable to that obtained for $PM_{10-2.5}$. Intersite correlation coefficients in some areas (e.g., Philadelphia, PA; Atlanta, GA; Portland, OR) can be very similar for both $PM_{2.5}$ and for O_3. However, there is much greater variability in the concentration fields of O_3 as evidenced by the much higher COD values. Indeed, COD values are higher for O_3 than for $PM_{2.5}$ in each of the urban areas examined. In all of the urban areas examined for O_3 some site pairs are always very

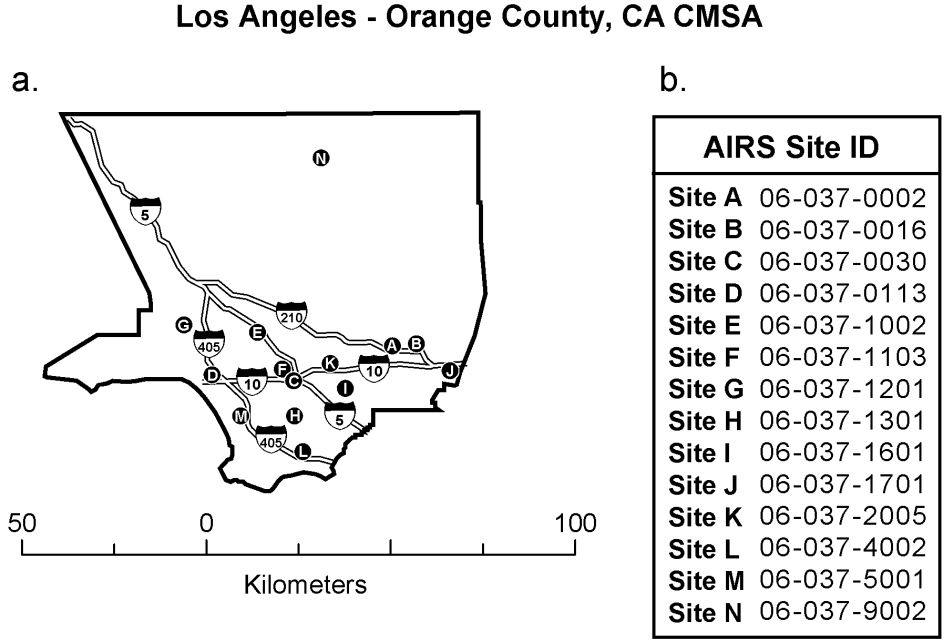

Figure AX3-35. Locations of O_3 sampling sites (a) by AQS ID# (b) and intersite correlation statistics (c) for the Los Angeles-Orange County, CA CMSA. The mean observed O_3 concentration at each site is given above its letter code. For each data pair, the Pearson correlation coefficient, 90th percentile difference in absolute concentrations, the coefficient of divergence, and number of observations are given.

Los Angeles - Orange County, CA CMSA

C.

Site	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
mean (ppm)	0.021	0.029	0.021	0.020	0.018	0.019	0.021	0.013	0.016	0.013	0.021	0.022	0.027	0.042
A	1	0.95 0.017 0.32 8378	0.87 0.020 0.33 6723	0.64 0.028 0.41 8387	0.88 0.018 0.38 8202	0.85 0.020 0.36 8292	0.82 0.021 0.37 8364	0.72 0.029 0.44 8362	0.89 0.019 0.41 8381	0.91 0.022 0.46 8386	0.91 0.015 0.33 8384	0.61 0.029 0.44 8379	0.55 0.035 0.45 8341	0.58 0.048 0.47 6321
B		1	0.82 0.029 0.36 6722	0.60 0.034 0.42 8386	0.86 0.028 0.44 8201	0.80 0.029 0.45 8291	0.80 0.027 0.42 8363	0.67 0.038 0.53 8361	0.84 0.030 0.52 8380	0.88 0.032 0.59 8385	0.87 0.024 0.39 8383	0.57 0.033 0.47 8378	0.53 0.034 0.46 8340	0.56 0.042 0.42 6321
C			1	0.75 0.021 0.32 6731	0.88 0.018 0.35 6546	0.95 0.010 0.22 6636	0.84 0.019 0.29 6708	0.83 0.020 0.37 6729	0.91 0.013 0.37 6725	0.85 0.020 0.49 6730	0.90 0.017 0.24 6728	0.72 0.022 0.31 6723	0.68 0.030 0.37 6686	0.61 0.048 0.45 4998
D				1	0.76 0.023 0.31 8210	0.82 0.018 0.31 8300	0.73 0.023 0.31 8372	0.77 0.023 0.36 8370	0.77 0.022 0.35 8389	0.69 0.027 0.43 8394	0.73 0.024 0.34 8392	0.75 0.021 0.31 8387	0.81 0.025 0.30 8349	0.62 0.046 0.40 6321
E					1	0.90 0.014 0.29 8184	0.86 0.019 0.31 8187	0.79 0.023 0.35 8185	0.90 0.015 0.33 8204	0.87 0.019 0.38 8210	0.91 0.014 0.28 8207	0.67 0.027 0.37 8202	0.66 0.034 0.37 8164	0.59 0.050 0.45 6322
F						1	0.85 0.018 0.31 8277	0.85 0.019 0.36 8275	0.93 0.012 0.33 8294	0.86 0.019 0.42 8300	0.91 0.015 0.26 8297	0.76 0.021 0.35 8292	0.74 0.029 0.40 8254	0.66 0.047 0.50 6325
G							1	0.74 0.026 0.36 8347	0.86 0.020 0.35 8366	0.84 0.023 0.45 8371	0.86 0.017 0.31 8369	0.67 0.026 0.36 8364	0.68 0.028 0.36 8349	0.70 0.042 0.43 6326
H								1	0.86 0.017 0.26 8364	0.74 0.018 0.37 8369	0.80 0.025 0.38 8367	0.84 0.021 0.35 8362	0.73 0.033 0.43 8324	0.61 0.053 0.51 6299
I									1	0.89 0.016 0.31 8388	0.93 0.015 0.30 8386	0.77 0.022 0.34 8381	0.71 0.032 0.39 8343	0.66 0.048 0.48 6321
J										1	0.90 0.021 0.43 8391	0.67 0.028 0.46 8386	0.62 0.037 0.50 8348	0.63 0.053 0.56 6323
K											1	0.71 0.025 0.37 8384	0.65 0.031 0.40 8346	0.65 0.045 0.46 6321
L												1	0.74 0.025 0.33 8341	0.62 0.043 0.42 6321
M													1	0.63 0.038 0.36 6299
N														1

Key
Pearson correlation coefficient
90th %-ile difference in concentration
Coefficient of divergence
Number of paired observations

Figure AX3-35 (cont'd).

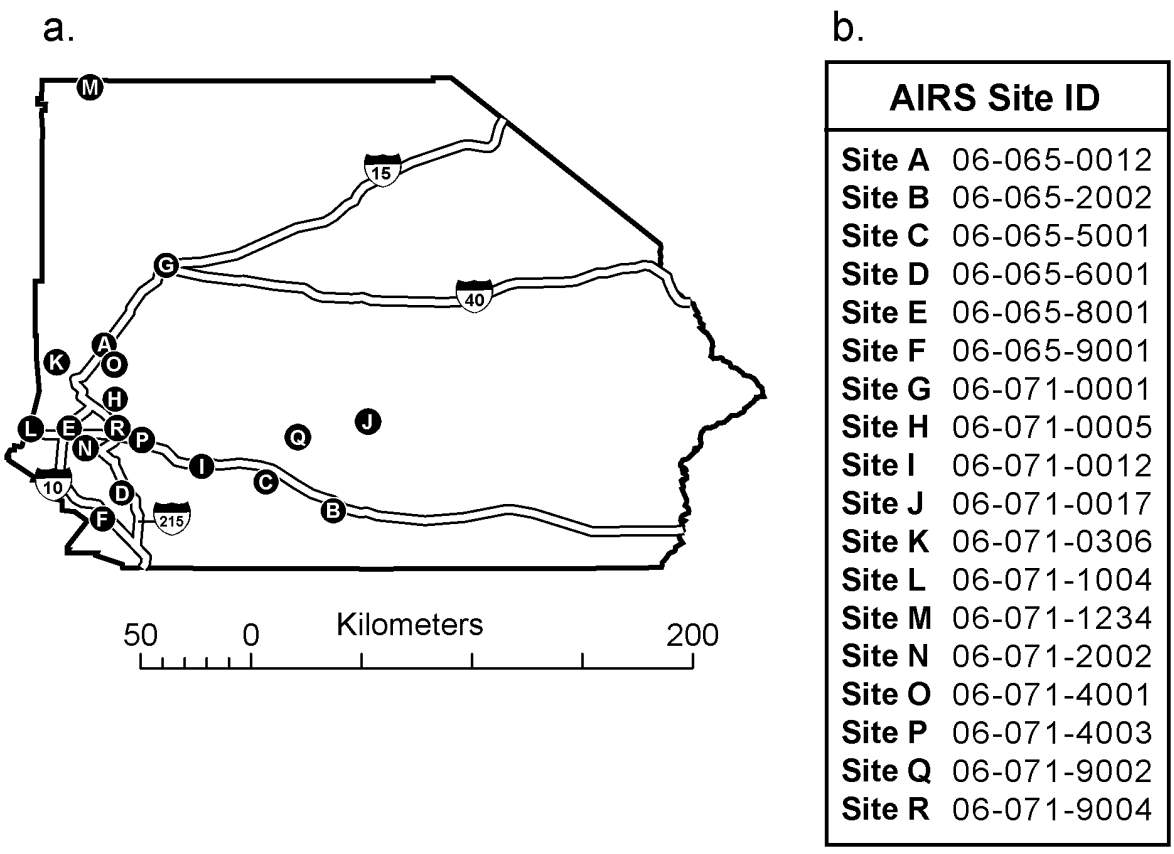

Figure AX3-36. Locations of O_3 sampling sites (a) by AQS ID# (b) and intersite correlation statistics (c) for the Riverside-Orange County, CA CMSA. The mean observed O_3 concentration at each site is given above its letter code. For each data pair, the Pearson correlation coefficient, 90th percentile difference in absolute concentrations, the coefficient of divergence, and number of observations are given.

Riverside - Orange County, CS CMSA

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Site	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
mean (ppm)	0.037	0.035	0.042	0.033	0.026	0.036	0.030	0.047	0.048	0.044	0.032	0.022	0.038	0.020	0.037	0.032	0.040	0.026
A	1	0.71 0.032 0.33 8397	0.77 0.030 0.35 8392	0.84 0.026 0.34 8394	0.79 0.034 0.42 8386	0.81 0.027 0.33 8035	0.76 0.031 0.38 7741	0.70 0.038 0.38 8393	0.69 0.037 0.39 8051	0.69 0.034 0.37 7844	0.75 0.031 0.36 7498	0.76 0.037 0.47 8385	0.55 0.036 0.38 7815	0.75 0.040 0.54 8394	0.76 0.029 0.35 7997	0.81 0.028 0.35 8391	0.53 0.037 0.38 7887	0.80 0.033 0.41 8364
B		1	0.85 0.023 0.25 8394	0.69 0.035 0.34 8395	0.64 0.039 0.42 8388	0.66 0.036 0.33 8040	0.75 0.031 0.33 7919	0.62 0.041 0.33 8393	0.64 0.038 0.34 8233	0.81 0.029 0.30 8017	0.72 0.031 0.34 7678	0.60 0.043 0.46 8389	0.65 0.031 0.31 7990	0.56 0.046 0.51 8395	0.71 0.031 0.31 8179	0.61 0.038 0.37 8392	0.52 0.035 0.33 8059	0.61 0.040 0.42 8369
C			1	0.73 0.037 0.38 8393	0.66 0.044 0.47 8385	0.69 0.036 0.35 8034	0.74 0.035 0.39 7752	0.67 0.036 0.32 8391	0.72 0.030 0.32 8059	0.81 0.025 0.28 7852	0.73 0.034 0.38 7506	0.61 0.049 0.52 8384	0.67 0.030 0.30 7823	0.59 0.052 0.56 8393	0.75 0.030 0.32 8005	0.65 0.039 0.40 8390	0.65 0.031 0.33 7896	0.65 0.045 0.46 8362
D				1	0.90 0.023 0.33 8387	0.91 0.019 0.25 8036	0.79 0.029 0.34 7742	0.70 0.041 0.41 8393	0.68 0.041 0.45 8049	0.67 0.039 0.42 7842	0.77 0.031 0.37 7496	0.87 0.028 0.42 8386	0.57 0.039 0.41 7813	0.84 0.032 0.51 8395	0.75 0.033 0.38 7995	0.87 0.023 0.33 8392	0.47 0.040 0.44 7885	0.89 0.024 0.35 8364
E					1	0.88 0.026 0.36 8028	0.76 0.031 0.38 7735	0.66 0.048 0.51 8385	0.63 0.046 0.54 8042	0.60 0.045 0.51 7835	0.74 0.032 0.42 7490	0.92 0.017 0.34 8378	0.50 0.042 0.50 7806	0.93 0.018 0.43 8387	0.69 0.037 0.46 7988	0.87 0.025 0.39 8384	0.42 0.042 0.52 7878	0.94 0.015 0.36 8356
F						1	0.76 0.031 0.33 7402	0.64 0.042 0.37 8034	0.62 0.039 0.39 7709	0.63 0.037 0.36 7487	0.74 0.031 0.37 7171	0.83 0.032 0.43 8027	0.54 0.037 0.36 7610	0.81 0.034 0.53 8036	0.70 0.032 0.35 7640	0.82 0.026 0.31 8033	0.44 0.039 0.38 7545	0.85 0.028 0.35 8010
G							1	0.68 0.042 0.40 7740	0.68 0.041 0.43 8067	0.75 0.035 0.40 7758	0.85 0.022 0.33 7684	0.72 0.035 0.41 7740	0.68 0.033 0.39 7669	0.68 0.038 0.49 7744	0.78 0.029 0.36 7861	0.72 0.032 0.37 7739	0.46 0.038 0.41 7592	0.73 0.033 0.40 7720
H								1	0.72 0.030 0.26 8047	0.65 0.033 0.26 7840	0.74 0.038 0.40 7494	0.66 0.051 0.56 8384	0.59 0.037 0.27 7811	0.65 0.054 0.59 8393	0.80 0.030 0.31 7993	0.71 0.041 0.39 8390	0.55 0.036 0.28 7883	0.70 0.047 0.46 8363
I									1	0.73 0.022 0.19 7983	0.70 0.039 0.43 7836	0.63 0.049 0.59 8047	0.64 0.027 0.24 7940	0.60 0.052 0.61 8051	0.78 0.030 0.34 8059	0.68 0.040 0.42 8046	0.63 0.024 0.16 7899	0.65 0.046 0.48 8027
J										1	0.72 0.035 0.41 7576	0.57 0.048 0.56 7840	0.73 0.024 0.21 7677	0.54 0.051 0.59 7844	0.74 0.028 0.32 7826	0.60 0.041 0.39 7839	0.57 0.025 0.21 7689	0.58 0.046 0.45 7820
K											1	0.70 0.036 0.44 7494	0.64 0.032 0.40 7430	0.67 0.039 0.51 7498	0.84 0.024 0.34 7626	0.70 0.033 0.41 7493	0.49 0.037 0.42 7352	0.72 0.034 0.42 7477
L												1	0.46 0.044 0.54 7814	0.95 0.013 0.40 8386	0.68 0.041 0.50 7993	0.88 0.027 0.43 8383	0.38 0.045 0.55 7885	0.92 0.018 0.40 8357
M													1	0.42 0.048 0.57 7815	0.65 0.028 0.31 7817	0.49 0.039 0.40 7811	0.50 0.023 0.22 7665	0.49 0.042 0.45 7796
N														1	0.64 0.043 0.54 7996	0.87 0.029 0.50 8392	0.38 0.047 0.58 7887	0.93 0.019 0.45 8364
O															1	0.72 0.033 0.37 7992	0.58 0.030 0.33 7842	0.70 0.037 0.43 7973
P																1	0.46 0.039 0.41 7882	0.92 0.020 0.33 8361
Q																	1	0.45 0.041 0.46 7866
R																		1

Key
Pearson correlation coefficient
90th %-ile difference in concentration
Coefficient of divergence
Number of paired observations

Figure AX3-36 (cont'd).

highly correlated with each other (i.e., $r > 0.9$) as seen for $PM_{2.5}$. These sites also show less variability in concentration and are probably influenced most strongly by regional production mechanisms.

AX3.3.2 Small-scale Horizontal and Spatial Variability in Ozone Concentrations

Ozone concentrations near roadways

Apart from the larger scale variability in surface O_3 concentrations, there is also significant variability on the micro-scale (< a few hundred meters), especially near roadways and other sources of emissions that react with O_3. These sources are not confined to urban areas. Sources of emissions that react with O_3 such as highways and power plants are also found in rural areas. Johnson (1995) described the results of studies examining O_3 upwind and downwind of roadways in Cincinnati, OH. In these studies, O_3 upwind of the roadway was about 50 ppb and these values were not found again until distances of about 100 m downwind. The O_3 profile varied inversely with that of NO, as might be expected. For peak NO concentrations of 30 ppb, the O_3 mixing ratio was about 36 ppb, or about 70% of the upwind value. The magnitude of the downwind depletion of O_3 depends on the emissions of NO, the rate of mixing of NO from the roadway and ambient temperature and so depletions of O_3 downwind of roadways are expected, but with variable magnitude. Guidance for the placement of O_3 monitors (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1998) states a separation distance that depends on traffic counts. For example, a minimum separation distance of 100 m from a road with 70,000 vehicles per day is recommended for siting an O_3 monitor to avoid interference that would mean a site is no longer representative of the surrounding area. An average rate of about 3,000 vehicles per hour passing by a monitoring site implies a road with rather heavy traffic. As noted earlier in Section AX3.3.1 for the Lakewood, CA monitoring, O_3 levels are lower at sites located near traffic than those located some distance away and the scavenging of O_3 by emissions of NO from roadways is a major source of spatial variability in O_3 concentrations. It should also be noted that scavenging of O_3 by NO near roadways was more pronounced before the implementation of stringent NOx emissions controls.

Vertical Variations in Ozone Concentrations

In addition to horizontal variability in O_3 concentrations, there are also variations in the vertical profile of O_3 in the lowest layers of the atmosphere to consider. The planetary boundary layer consists of an outer and an inner portion. The inner part of the planetary boundary layer extends from the surface to about one-tenth the height of the planetary boundary layer. Winds and transported properties, such as O_3, are especially susceptible to interactions with obstacles, such as buildings and trees in the inner boundary layer (atmospheric surface layer) (e.g., Garratt, 1992). Inlets to ambient monitors (typically at heights of 3 to 5 meters) are located in, and human and vegetation exposures occur in this part of the boundary layer.

Photochemical production and destruction of O_3 occurs throughout the planetary boundary layer. However, O_3 is also destroyed on the surfaces of buildings, vegetation, etc. On most surfaces, O_3 is destroyed with every collision. In addition, O_3 is scavenged by NO emitted by motor vehicles and soils. These losses imply that the vertical gradient of O_3 should always be directed downward. The magnitude of the gradient is determined by the intensity of turbulent mixing in the surface layer.

Most work characterizing the vertical profile of O_3 near the surface has been performed in nonurban areas with the aim of calculating fluxes of O_3 and other pollutants through forest canopies and to crops and short vegetation etc. Corresponding data are sparse for urban areas. However, monitoring sites are often set up in open areas such as parks and playgrounds where surface characteristics may be more similar to those in rural areas than to those in the surrounding urban area. The vertical profile of O_3 measured over low vegetation are shown in Figure AX3-37. These measurements were obtained as part of a field campaign to measure the fluxes of several gas and aerosol phase pollutants using the gradient-flux technique in a remote area in Hortobagy National Park in Hungary during late spring of 1994 (Horvath et al., 1995). The labels stable and unstable in the figure refer to atmospheric stability conditions and average represents the overall average. Ozone concentrations were normalized to their values at 4 m height. As can be seen from the figure, there was a decrease of about 20% in going from a height of 4 m down to 0.5 m above the surface during stable conditions, but O_3 decreased by only about 7% during unstable conditions. The average decrease was about 10% for all measurements. As might be expected, O_3 concentrations at all heights were very highly correlated with one another. Of course, these values represent averages and there is scatter about

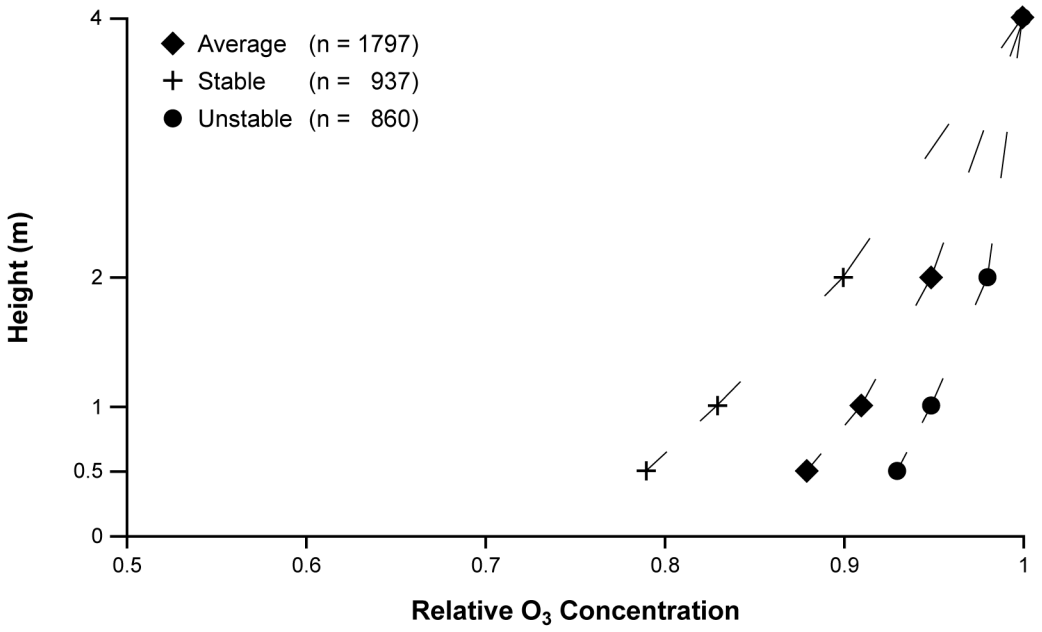

Figure AX3-37. Vertical profile of O_3 obtained over low vegetation. Values shown are relative to concentrations at 4 m above the surface. Ozone concentrations for unstable and unstable conditions were 41.3 and 24.1 ppb, and average O_3 concentration weighted by stability class was 33.1 ppb at 4 m.

Source. Horvath et al. (1995).

them, particularly under strong stable conditions. However, these conditions tend to occur mainly during night and the stability regime during the day in urban areas tends more towards instability because of the urban heat island effect. Figure AX3-38 shows the vertical profile of O_3 obtained in a spruce forest in northwestern Hungary in late summer 1991 by the same group (Horvath et al., 2003). The fall off of O_3 in this case is due to uptake by trees, reaction with ambient NO and with NO emitted by the soil in the forest in addition to deposition on the surface.

AX3.3.3 Ozone Concentrations at High Elevations

The distributions of hourly average concentrations experienced at high-elevation cities are similar to those experienced in low-elevation cities. For example, the distribution of hourly average concentrations for several O_3 sites located in Denver were similar to distributions

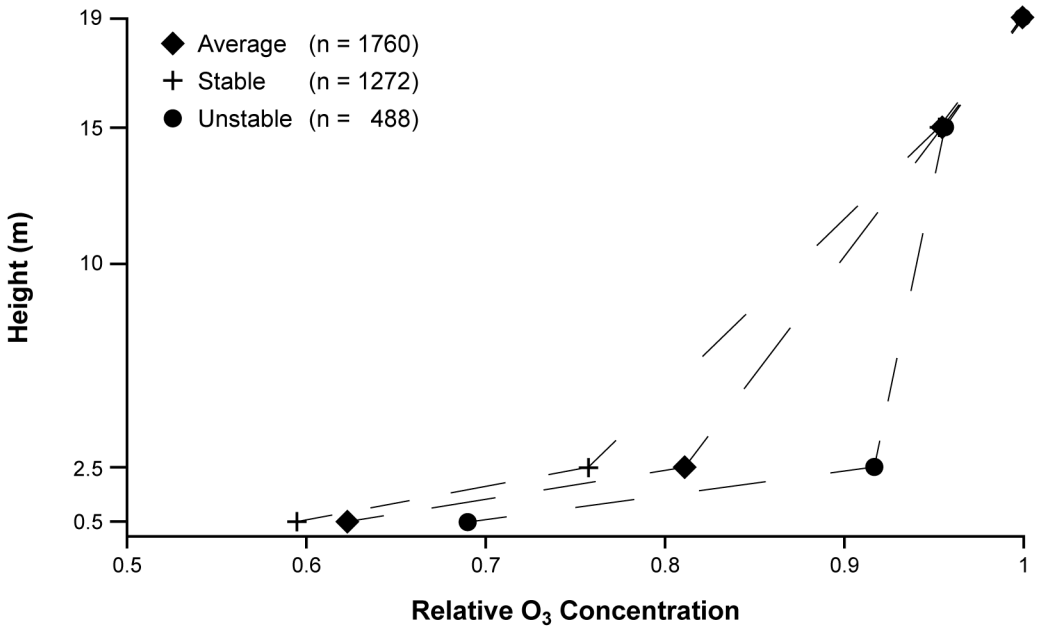

Figure AX3-38. Vertical profile of O_3 obtained in a spruce forest. Values shown are relative to concentrations at 19 m above the surface. Mean tree height is 14.5 m. Ozone concentrations for unstable and unstable conditions were 36.7 and 33.8 ppb, and the average O_3 concentration weighted by stability class was 34.6 ppb at 19 m.

Source: Horvath et al. (2003).

observed at many low-elevation sites elsewhere in the United States. However, the use of absolute concentrations (e.g., in units of micrograms per cubic meter) in assessing the possible impacts of O_3 on vegetation at high-elevation sites instead of mixing ratios (e.g., parts per million) may be an important consideration (see Chapter 9, for further considerations about exposure and effective dose considerations for vegetation assessments).

Concentrations of O_3 vary with altitude and latitude. Although a number of reports contain data on O_3 concentrations at high altitudes (e.g., Coffey et al., 1977; Reiter, 1977; Singh et al., 1977; Evans et al., 1985; Lefohn and Jones, 1986), fewer reports present data for different elevations in the same locality. Monitoring data collected by the Mountain Cloud Chemistry (MCCP) provide useful information for investigating O_3 exposure differences at different elevations. When applying different exposure indices to the MCCP data, there appears to be no consistent conclusion concerning the relationship between O_3 exposure and elevation.

Lefohn et al. (1990a) summarized the characterization of gaseous exposures at rural sites in 1986 and 1987 at several MCCP high-elevation sites. Aneja and Li (1992) have summarized the O_3 concentrations for 1986 to 1988. Table AX3-6 summarizes the sites characterized by Lefohn et al. (1990a). Table AX3-7 summarizes the concentrations and exposures that occurred at several of the sites for the period 1987 to 1988. In 1987, the 7- and 12-h seasonal means were similar at the Whiteface Mountain WF1 and WF3 sites (Figure AX3-39a). The 7-h mean values were 0.0449 and 0.0444 ppm, respectively, and the 12-h mean values were 0.0454 and 0.0444 ppm, respectively. Note that, in some cases, the 12-h mean was slightly higher than the 7-h mean value. This resulted when the 7-h mean period (0900 to 1559 hours) did not capture the period of the day when the highest hourly mean O_3 concentrations were experienced. A similar observation was made, using the 1987 data, for the MCCP Shenandoah National Park sites. The 7-h and 12-h seasonal means were similar for the SH1 and SH2 sites (Figure AX3-39b). Based on cumulative indices, the Whiteface Mountain summit (1483-m) site (WF1) experienced a higher exposure than the WF3 (1026-m) site (Figure AX3-39c). Both the sum of the were higher at the WF1 site than at the WF3 site. The site at the base of the mountain (WF4) experienced the lowest exposure of the three O_3 sites. Among the MCCP Shenandoah National Park sites, the SH2 site experienced marginally higher O_3 exposures, based on the index that sums all of the hourly average concentrations (referred to as "total dose" in Figure AX3-39c) and sigmoidal values, than the SH1 high-elevation site (Figure AX3-39d). The reverse was true for concentrations $\geq$0.07 ppm (SUM07) and the number of hourly concentrations $\geq$0.07 ppm the sums of the concentrations $\geq$0.07 ppm and the number of hourly concentrations $\geq$0.07 ppm. When the Big Meadows, Dickey Ridge, and Sawmill Run, Shenandoah National Park, data for 1983 to 1987 were compared, it again was found that the 7-h and 12-h seasonal means were insensitive to the different O_3 exposure patterns. A better resolution of the differences was observed when the cumulative indices were used (Figure AX3-40). There was no evidence that the highest elevation site, Big Meadows, consistently had experienced higher O_3 exposures than the other sites. In 2 of the 5 years, the Big Meadows site experienced lower exposures than the Dickey Ridge and Sawmill Run sites, based on the sum of all concentration or sigmoidal indices. For 4 of the 5 years, the SUM07 index yielded the same result.

Table AX3-6. Description of Mountain Cloud Chemistry Program Sites

Site	Elevation (m)	Latitude			Longitude		
Howland Forest (HF1), ME	65	458°	11'		68°	46'	
Mt. Moosilauke (MS1), NH	1000	438°	59'	18"	71°	48'	28"
Whiteface Mountain (WF1), NY	1483	448°	23'	26"	73°	51'	34"
Shenandoah NP (SH1), VA	1015	38°	37'	12"	78°	20'	48"
Shenandoah NP (SH2), VA	716	38°	37'	30"	78°	21'	13"
Shenandoah NP (SH3), VA	524	38°	37'	45"	78°	21'	28"
Whitetop Mountain (WT1), VA	1689	36°	38'	20"	81°	36'	21"
Mt. Mitchell (MM1), NC	2006	35°	44'	15"	82°	17'	15"
Mt. Mitchell (MM2), NC	1760	35°	45'		82°	15'	

Table AX3-7. Seasonal (April-October) Percentiles, SUM06, SUM08, and W126 Values for the MCCP Sites

Site	Year	Min.	10	30	50	70 (ppm)	90	95	99	Max.	No. Obs.	SUM06	SUM08 (ppm-h)	W126
Howland Forest, ME (HF1)	1987	0.000	0.013	0.021	0.028	0.035	0.046	0.052	0.065	0.076	4766	5.9	0.0	7.7
	1988	0.000	0.012	0.021	0.028	0.036	0.047	0.054	0.076	0.106	4786	10.9	2.9	11.6
Mt. Moosilauke, NH (MS1)	1987	0.006	0.027	0.036	0.045	0.053	0.065	0.074	0.086	0.102	4077	45.0	9.5	40.1
	1988	0.010	0.026	0.033	0.043	0.055	0.076	0.087	0.113	0.127	2835	51.9	21.2	43.4
Whiteface Mountain, NY (WF1) (36-031-0002)	1987	0.011	0.029	0.037	0.046	0.053	0.067	0.074	0.087	0.104	4703	63.5	12.2	50.5
	1988	0.014	0.025	0.033	0.043	0.056	0.078	0.089	0.110	0.135	4675	94.4	40.8	78.3
Whiteface Mountain, NY (WF3)	1987	0.010	0.025	0.033	0.039	0.047	0.064	0.075	0.091	0.117	4755	45.4	14.4	40.3
Whiteface Mountain, NY (WF4)	1987	0.000	0.011	0.023	0.031	0.041	0.056	0.065	0.081	0.117	4463	23.8	5.1	21.3
Mt. Mitchell, NC (MM1)	1987	0.008	0.034	0.044	0.051	0.058	0.067	0.074	0.085	0.105	3539	59.4	7.8	46.5
	1988	0.011	0.038	0.054	0.065	0.075	0.095	0.106	0.126	0.145	2989	145.1	69.7	116.6
	1989	0.010	0.038	0.047	0.054	0.059	0.068	0.072	0.081	0.147	2788	54.8	3.5	40.7
	1992	0.005	0.036	0.043	0.048	0.053	0.063	0.069	0.081	0.096	3971	37.8	4.4	36.7
Mt. Mitchell, NC (MM2)	1987	0.017	0.032	0.042	0.049	0.056	0.067	0.073	0.083	0.096	3118	47.0	5.1	37.4
	1988	0.009	0.029	0.041	0.050	0.060	0.080	0.092	0.110	0.162	2992	68.7	28.1	57.7
Shenandoah Park, VA (SH1)	1987	0.000	0.023	0.036	0.044	0.054	0.069	0.076	0.085	0.135	3636	54.2	8.5	42.0
	1988	0.006	0.024	0.036	0.047	0.058	0.077	0.087	0.103	0.140	3959	80.9	29.6	67.2
Shenandoah Park, VA (SH2)	1987*	0.003	0.027	0.040	0.049	0.059	0.071	0.077	0.086	0.145	2908	55.7	7.8	41.8
	1988	0.006	0.029	0.042	0.054	0.064	0.083	0.095	0.108	0.145	4661	133.8	55.8	109.4

Table AX3-7 (cont'd). Seasonal (April-October) Percentiles, SUM06, SUM08, and W126 Values for the MCCP Sites

Site	Year	Min.	10	30	50	70 (ppm)	90	95	99	Max.	No. Obs.	SUM06	SUM08 (ppm-h)	W126
Shenandoah Park, VA (SH3)	1987	0.000	0.018	0.029	0.037	0.047	0.061	0.068	0.080	0.108	3030	23.1	2.6	19.2
	1988	0.000	0.020	0.031	0.040	0.051	0.067	0.076	0.097	0.135	4278	52.3	15.6	44.2
Whitetop Mountain, VA (WT1)	1987	0.01	0.038	0.051	0.059	0.066	0.078	0.085	0.096	0.111	4326	147.7	32.4	105.7
	1988	0.000	0.030	0.046	0.058	0.068	0.084	0.094	0.119	0.163	3788	133.8	51.0	102.8

*Calculations based on a May-September season.

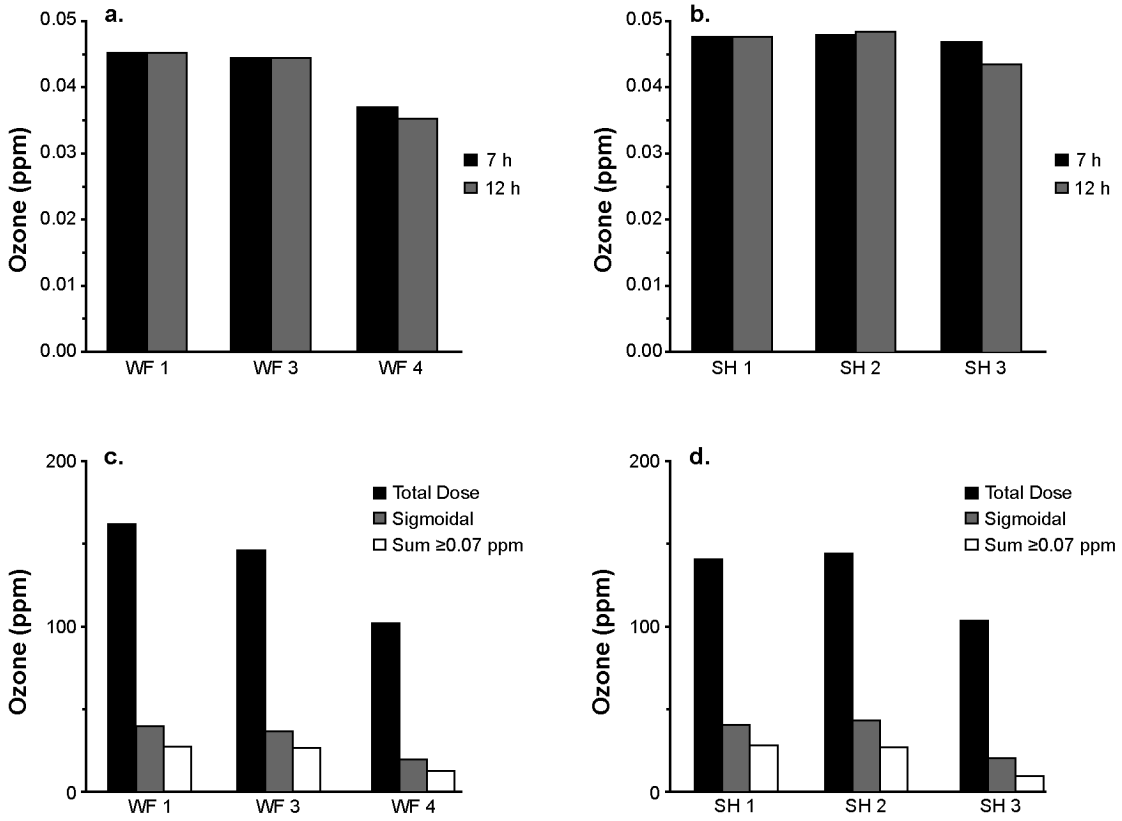

Figure AX3-39a-d. Seven- and 12-h seasonal means at (a) Whiteface Mountain and (b) Shenandoah National Park for May to September 1987, and integrated exposures at (c) Whiteface Mountain and (d) Shenandoah National Park for May to September 1987.

Source: Lefohn et al. (1990a).

Taylor et al. (1992) indicated that the forests they monitored experienced differences in O_3 exposure. The principal spatial factors underlying this variation were elevation, proximity to anthropogenic sources of oxidant precursors, regional-scale meteorological conditions, and airshed dynamics between the lower free troposphere and the surface boundary layer. Table AX3-8 summarizes the exposure values for the 10 EPRI Integrated Forest Study sites located in North America.

An important issue for assessing possible impacts of O_3 at high-elevation sites that requires further attention is the use of mixing ratios (e.g., parts per million) instead of absolute concentration (e.g., in units of micrograms per cubic meter) to describe O_3 concentration.

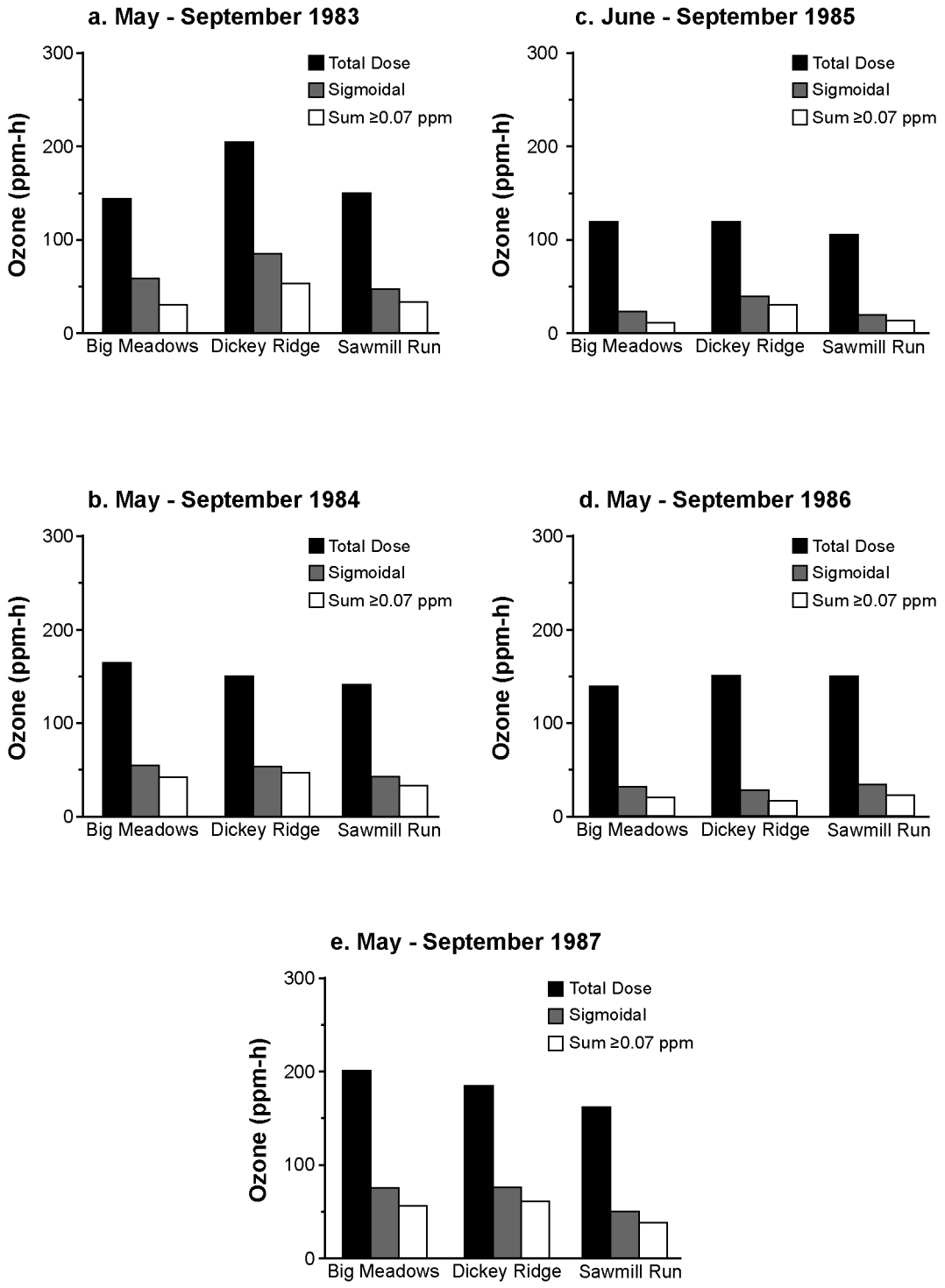

Figure AX3-40a-e. Integrated exposures for three non-Mountain Cloud Chemistry Program Shenandoah National Park sites, 1983 to 1987.

Source: Lefohn et al. (1990b).

Table AX3-8. Summary Statistics for 11 Integrated Forest Study Sites[a]

Site	Year	Quarter	24-h	12-h	7-h	1-h Max.	SUM06 10^3 ppb-h	SUM08 10^3 ppb-h
HIGH ELEVATION SITES								
Whiteface Mtn, NY	1987	2	42	43	42	104	13.2	2.5
	1987	3	45	44	43	114	30.1	11.8
	1988	2	49	50	49	131	33.5	13.9
	1988	3	44	43	43	119	22.6	10.4
Great Smoky Mtns NP	1987	2	54	52	49	99	57.1	10.9
	1987	3	53	51	49	95	34.3	8.8
	1988	2	71	70	68	119	126.3	61.2
	1988	3	59	57	55	120	74.7	22.2
Coweeta Hydrologic Lab, NC	1987	2	50	48	47	85	32.4	2.6
	1987	3	47	44	42	95	24.1	2.4
	1988	2	61	59	59	104	81.6	18.5
	1988	3	57	54	51	100	63.6	19.8
LOW ELEVATION SITES								
Huntington Forest, NY	1987	2	36	42	42	88	9.8	0.9
	1987	3	24	32	33	76	5.4	0.2
	1988	2	40	46	46	106	19.2	6.1
	1988	3	37	46	48	91	18.6	2.7
Howland, ME	1987	2	34	39	39	69	1.9	0.0
	1987	3	26	32	31	76	3.8	0.0
	1988	2	36	41	41	90	8.1	2.9
	1988	3	24	30	30	71	1.7	0.0
Oak Ridge, TN	1987	2	42	53	50	112	39.5	13.5
	1987	3	29	44	41	105	24.3	9.0
	1988	2	40	57	58	104	26.4	9.8
	1988	3	32	47	51	122	19.7	7.7
Thompson Forest, WA	1987	2	36	43	41	103	10.7	3.6
	1987	3	30	36	34	94	10.3	2.1
	1988	2	32	39	37	103	8.1	2.3
	1988	3	32	39	36	140	13.5	6.7

Table AX3-8 (cont'd). Summary Statistics for 11 Integrated Forest Study Sites.[a]

Site	Year	Quarter	24-h	12-h	7-h	1-h Max.	SUM06 10^3 ppb-h	SUM08 10^3 ppb-h
LOW ELEVATION SITES (cont'd)								
B.F. Grant Forest, GA	1987	2	32	46	48	99	26.1	5.1
	1987	3	33	52	54	102	31.3	10.3
	1988	2	47	63	64	127	53.1	21.9
	1988	3	32	47	48	116	24.1	7.4
Gainesville, FL	1987	2	42	53	50	[b]	[b]	[b]
	1987	3	29	44	41	[b]	[b]	[b]
	1988	2	35	48	51	84	23.4	0.5
	1988	3	20	29	30	70	1.9	0.1
Duke Forest, NC	1987	2	38	48	52	100	29.2	7.8
	1987	3	52	59	50	124	[b]	[b]
	1988	2	54	69	75	115	[b]	[b]
	1988	3	38	51	54	141	52.9	23.4
Nordmoen, Norway	1987	2	32	40	41	75	2.4	0.0
	1987	3	14	18	20	32	0.0	0.0
	1988	2	22	28	29	53	0.0	0.0
	1988	3	11	15	16	30	0.0	0.0

[a]Concentration in ppb.
[b]Data were insufficient to calculate statistic.

Source: Taylor et al. (1992).

In most cases, mixing ratios or mole fractions are used to describe O_3 concentrations. Lefohn et al. (1990b) pointed out that the manner in which concentration is reported may be important when assessing the potential impacts of air pollution on high-elevation forests. Given the same part-per-million value experienced at both a high- and low-elevation site, the absolute concentrations (i.e., micrograms per cubic meter) at the two elevations will be different, because both O_3 and ambient air are gases, and changes in pressure directly affect their volume. According to Boyle's law, if the temperature of a gas is held constant, the volume occupied by

the gas varies inversely with the pressure (i.e., as pressure decreases, volume increases). This pressure effect must be considered when measuring absolute pollutant concentrations. At any given sampling location, normal atmospheric pressure variations have very little effect on air pollutant measurements. However, when mass/volume units of concentration are used and pollutant concentrations measured at significantly different altitudes are compared, pressure (and, hence, volume) adjustments are necessary. In practice, the summit site at Whiteface Mountain had a slightly higher O_3 exposure than the two low-elevation sites (Lefohn et al., 1991). However, at Shenandoah National Park sites, the higher elevation site experienced lower exposures than lower elevation sites in some years.

These exposure considerations are trivial at low-elevation sites. However, when one compares exposure-effects results obtained at high-elevation sites with those from low-elevation sites, the differences may become significant (Lefohn et al., 1990b). In particular, assuming that the sensitivity of the biological target is identical at both low and high elevations, some adjustment will be necessary when attempting to link experimental data obtained at low-elevation sites with air quality data monitored at the high-elevation stations. This topic is further discussed in Annex AX9 when considering effective dose considerations for predicting vegetation effects associated with O_3.

AX3.4 DIURNAL PATTERNS IN OZONE CONCENTRATION

AX3.4.1 Introduction

Diurnal variations in O_3 at a given location are controlled by a number of factors such as the relative importance of transport versus local photochemical production and loss rates, the timing for entrainment of air from the nocturnal residual boundary layer and the diurnal variability in mixing layer height.

The form of an average diurnal pattern provides some information on sources, transport, and chemical formation and destruction effects at various sites (Lefohn, 1992). Atmospheric conditions leading to limited transport from source regions will produce early afternoon peaks. However, long-range transport processes will influence the actual timing of a peak, from afternoon to evening or early morning hours. Ozone is rapidly depleted near the surface below the nocturnal inversion layer (Berry, 1964). Mountainous sites, which are above the nocturnal

inversion layer, do not necessarily experience this depletion (Stasiuk and Coffey, 1974). Taylor and Hanson (1992) reported similar findings, using data from the Integrated Forest Study. The authors reported that intraday variability was most significant for the low-elevation sites due to the pronounced daily amplitude in O_3 concentration between the predawn minimum and mid-afternoon-to-early evening maximum. The authors reported that interday variation was more significant in the high-elevation sites. Ozone trapped below the inversion layer is depleted by dry deposition and chemical reactions if other reactants are present in sufficient quantities (Kelly et al., 1984). Above the nocturnal inversion layer, dry deposition does not generally occur, and the concentration of O_3 scavengers is generally lower, so O_3 concentrations remain fairly constant (Wolff et al., 1987). A flat diurnal pattern is usually interpreted as indicating a lack of efficient scavenging of O_3 or a lack of photochemical precursors, whereas a strongly varying diurnal pattern is taken to indicate the opposite.

An analysis that identified when the highest hourly average concentrations were observed at rural agricultural and forested sites was described in 1996 O_3 AQCD. A review of the hourly average data collected at all rural agricultural and forested sites in Environmental Protection Agency's AQS database for 1990 to 1992 was undertaken to evaluate the percentage of time hourly average concentrations $\geq$0.1 ppm occurred during the period of 0900 to 1559 hours in comparison with the 24-h period. It was found that 70% of the rural-agricultural and forested sites used in the analysis experienced at least 50% of the occurrences $\geq$0.1 ppm during the period of 0900 to 1559 hours when compared to the 24-h period. When O_3 monitoring sites in California were eliminated, approximately 73% of the remaining sites experienced at least 50% of the occurrences $\geq$0.10 ppm during the daylight 7-h period when compared with the 24-h period.

Diurnal Variations in the Nationwide Data Set

Composite urban, diurnal variations in hourly averaged O_3 for April through October 2000 to 2004 are shown in Figure AX3-41. As can be seen from Figure AX3-41, daily 1-h O_3 maxima tend to occur in mid-afternoon and daily 1-h O_3 minima tend to occur during the early morning. However, there is also considerable spread in these times. Therefore, some caution must be exercised in extrapolating results from one city to another and when attempting to judge the time of day when the daily 1-h maximum occurs.

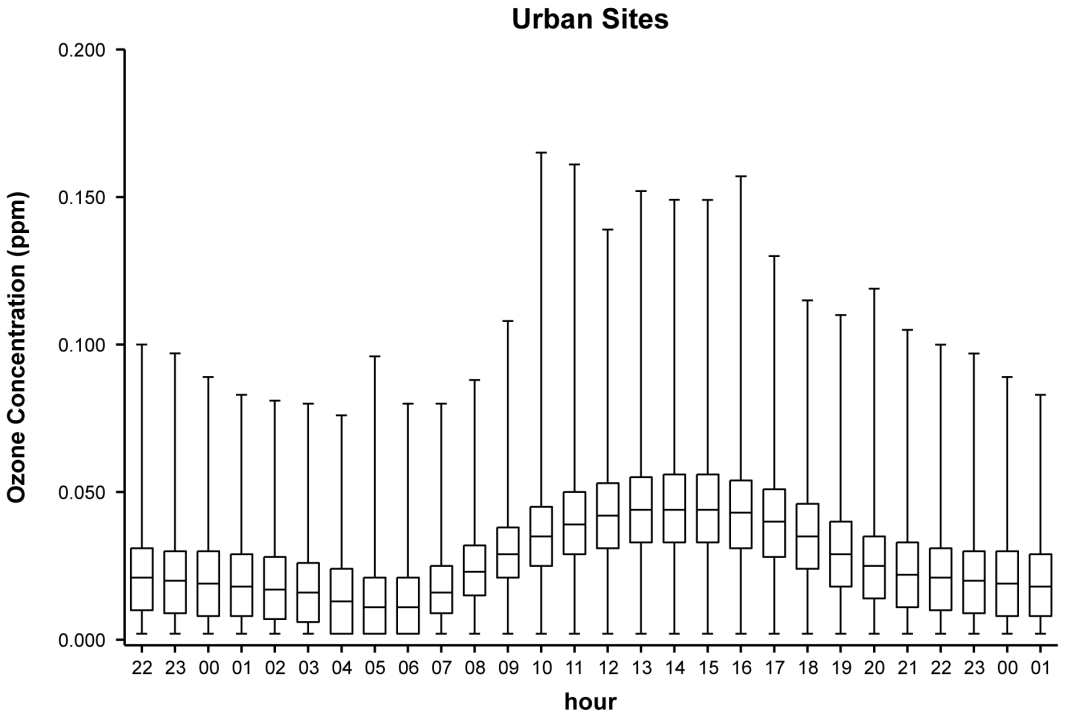

Figure AX3-41. Composite, nationwide diurnal variability in hourly averaged O_3 in urban areas. Values shown are averages from April to October 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers the minima and maxima.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

Corresponding data for 8 hour average O_3 data are shown in Figure AX3-42. As can be seen from Figure AX3-42, daily maximum eight hour O_3 concentrations tend to occur from about 10 a.m. to about 6 p.m. As can be seen from Figure AX3-42, they can also occur at slightly different times and the variation in the 8-h averages is smoother than for the 1-h averages. The minima in the 8 h averages tend to occur starting at about midnight.

AX3.3.2 Diurnal Patterns in Urban Areas

Diurnal Variations in EPA's 12 Cities

The diurnal variability of hourly averaged O_3 in the twelve urban areas considered for inclusion in EPA's human health exposure assessment-risk assessment for the current review is illustrated in Figure AX3-43a-l for April to October. Daily maximum 1-h concentrations tend to

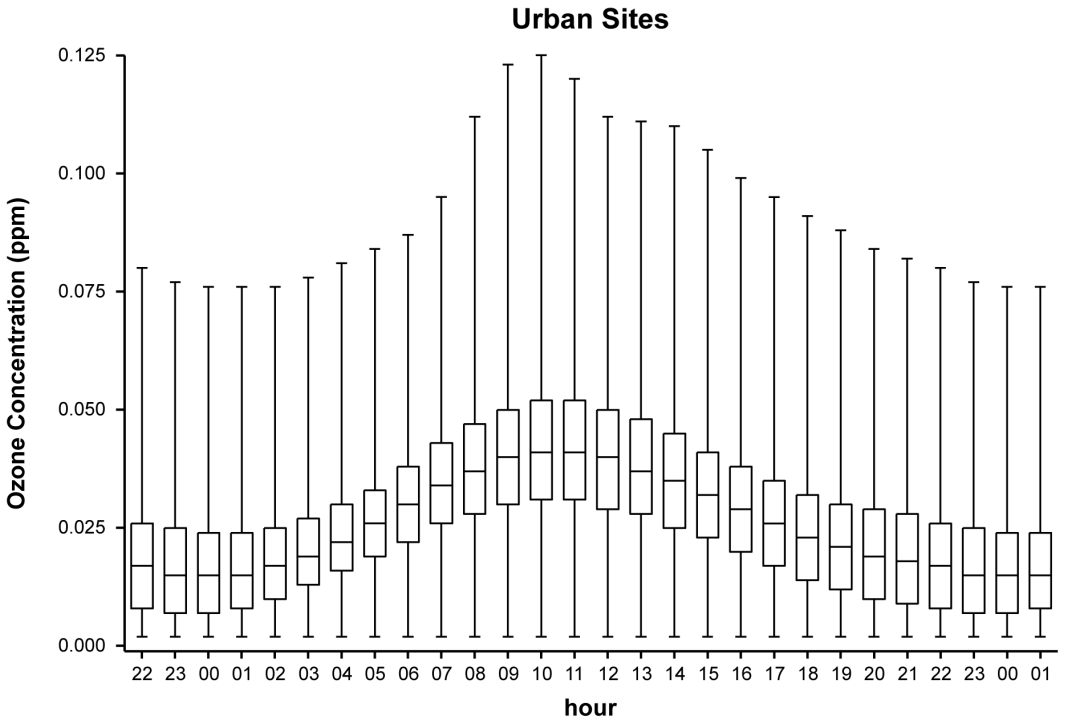

Figure AX3-42. Composite, nationwide diurnal variability in 8 hour average O_3 in urban areas. Values shown are averages from April to October 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers the minima and maxima. The hour refers to the start of the 8-h averaging period.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

occur in mid-afternoon. However, as can be seen from the figures, the diurnal patterns vary from city to city, with high values (≥0.100 ppm) occurring either late in the evening as in Boston, past midnight as in Los Angeles and Sacramento, or mid-morning as in Houston. Typically, high values such as these are found during the daylight hours in mid to late afternoon. The reasons for the behavior of O_3 during the night at the above mentioned locations are not clear. Measurement issues may be involved or there may be physical causes such as transport phenomena, as discussed in Chapter 2. As discussed in Chapter 2, and in greater detail in Section AX2.3.3, nocturnal low level jets are capable of producing secondary O_3 maxima at night.

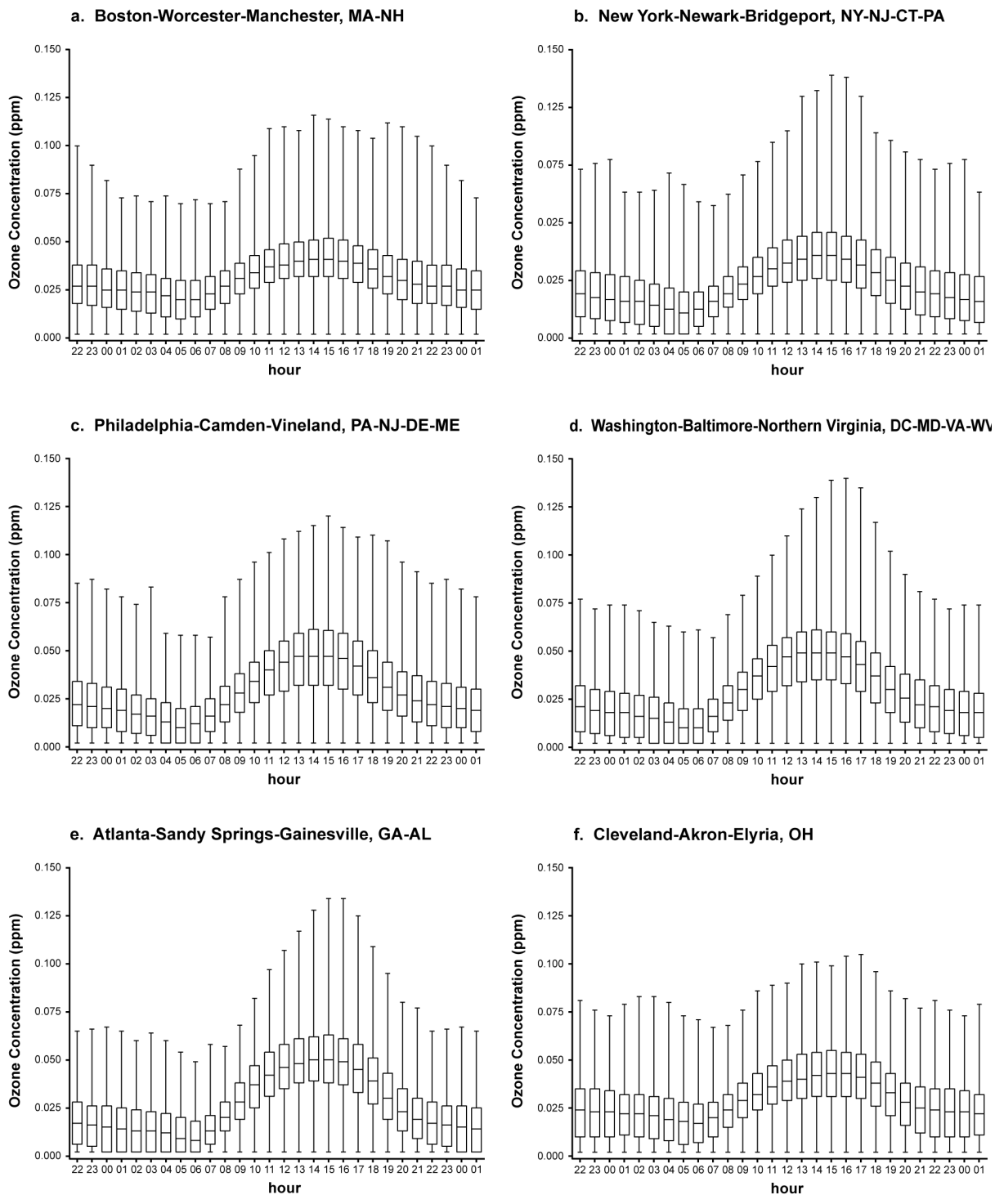

Figure AX3-43a-f. Diurnal variability in hourly averaged O_3 in selected urban areas. Values shown are averages from April to October 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers the minima and maxima.

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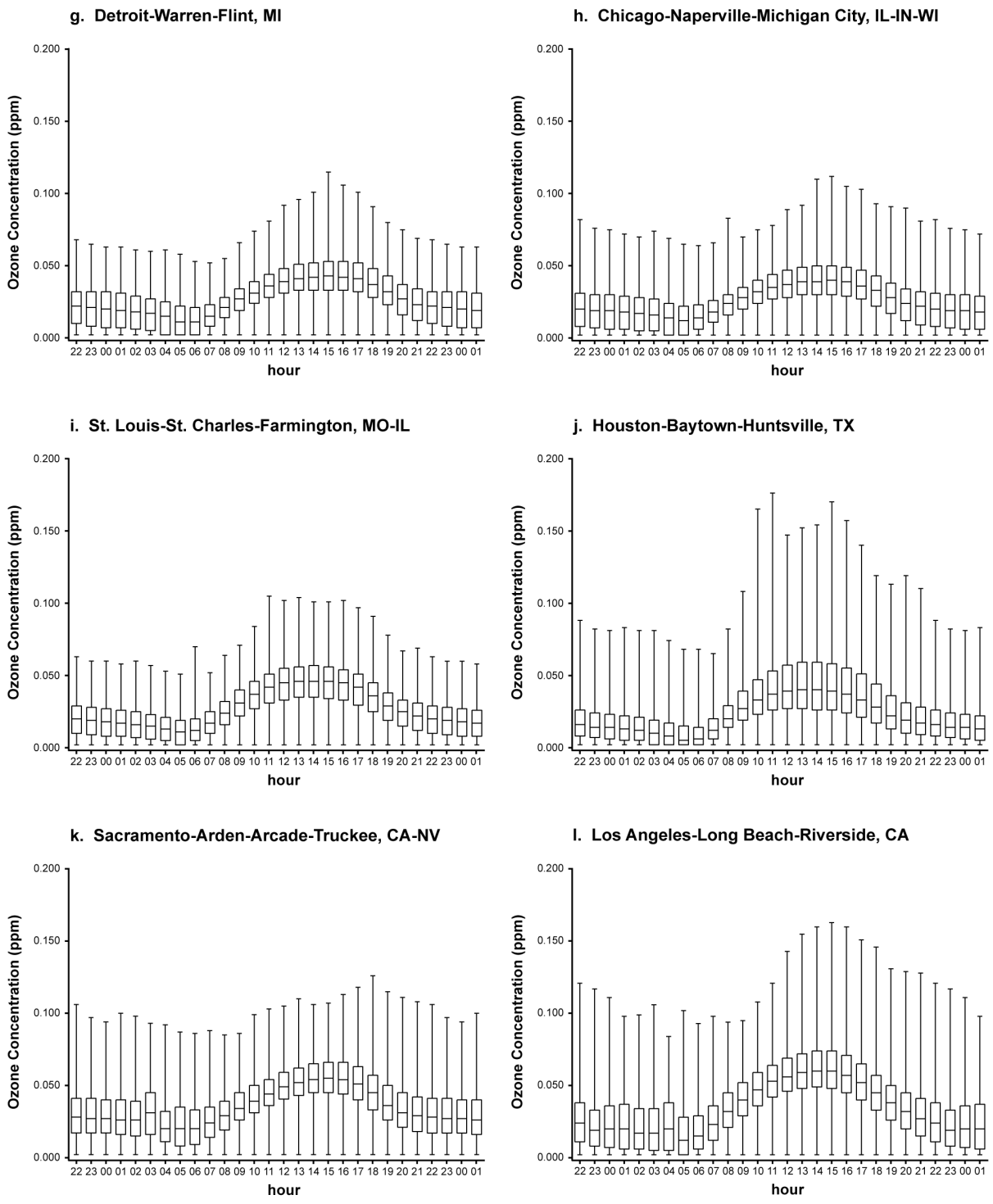

Figure AX3-43g-l. Diurnal variability in hourly averaged O_3 in selected urban areas. Values shown are averages from April to October 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers the minima and maxima.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

The diurnal variability of O_3 averaged over 8 hours in the same twelve urban areas is shown in Figures AX3-44a-l. The diurnal patterns of O_3 are broadly similar between 1-h averages and 8-h averages. A typical pattern shows the 8-h daily maximum occurring from about 10 a.m to about 6 p.m., with some deviations from these times. However, as shown in Figures AX3-44a for Boston and AX3-44k for Sacramento, the highest 8-h daily maximum values occur starting in mid-afternoon and extending into late evening. These results suggest that transport processes are playing the dominant role in determining the timing of the highest daily maxima in these areas.

On days with high 1-h daily maximum concentrations (e.g., $\geq$0.12 ppm) the maxima tend to occur in a smaller time window centered in the middle of the afternoon, compared to days in which the maximum is lower. For example, on the high O_3 days the 1-h maximum occurs from about 11 a.m. to about 6 p.m. However, on days in which the 1-h daily maximum is $\leq$0.080 ppm, the daily maximum can occur at any time during the day or night, with only a 50% probability that it occurs between 1 and 3 p.m., in each of the 12 cities. Photochemical reactions in combination with diurnal emissions patterns are expected to produce mid-afternoon peaks in urban areas. These results suggest that transport from outside the urban airshed plays the major role for determining the timing of the daily maxima for low peak O_3 levels. This pattern is more typical for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Riverside, CA area even for high O_3 days.

The same general patterns emerge for the timing of the 1-h daily maximum O_3 concentration as are found for the daily maximum 8-h average O_3 concentration. As mentioned above, the daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations are generally found between the hours of 10 a.m and 6 p.m. However, there are significant fractions of the time when this is not the case for high values, as in Houston, TX and Los Angeles, CA, or in general for lower values at any of the cities examined. Although the 8-h average O_3 concentration is highly correlated with the daily maximum 1-h average O_3 concentration, there are situations where the daily maximum 8-h average O_3 concentration may be driven by very high values in the daily maximum 1-h average O_3 concentration as illustrated in Figure 3-43j. In cases such as these, the predicted 8-h average might overestimate the short-term O_3 concentration later in the day.

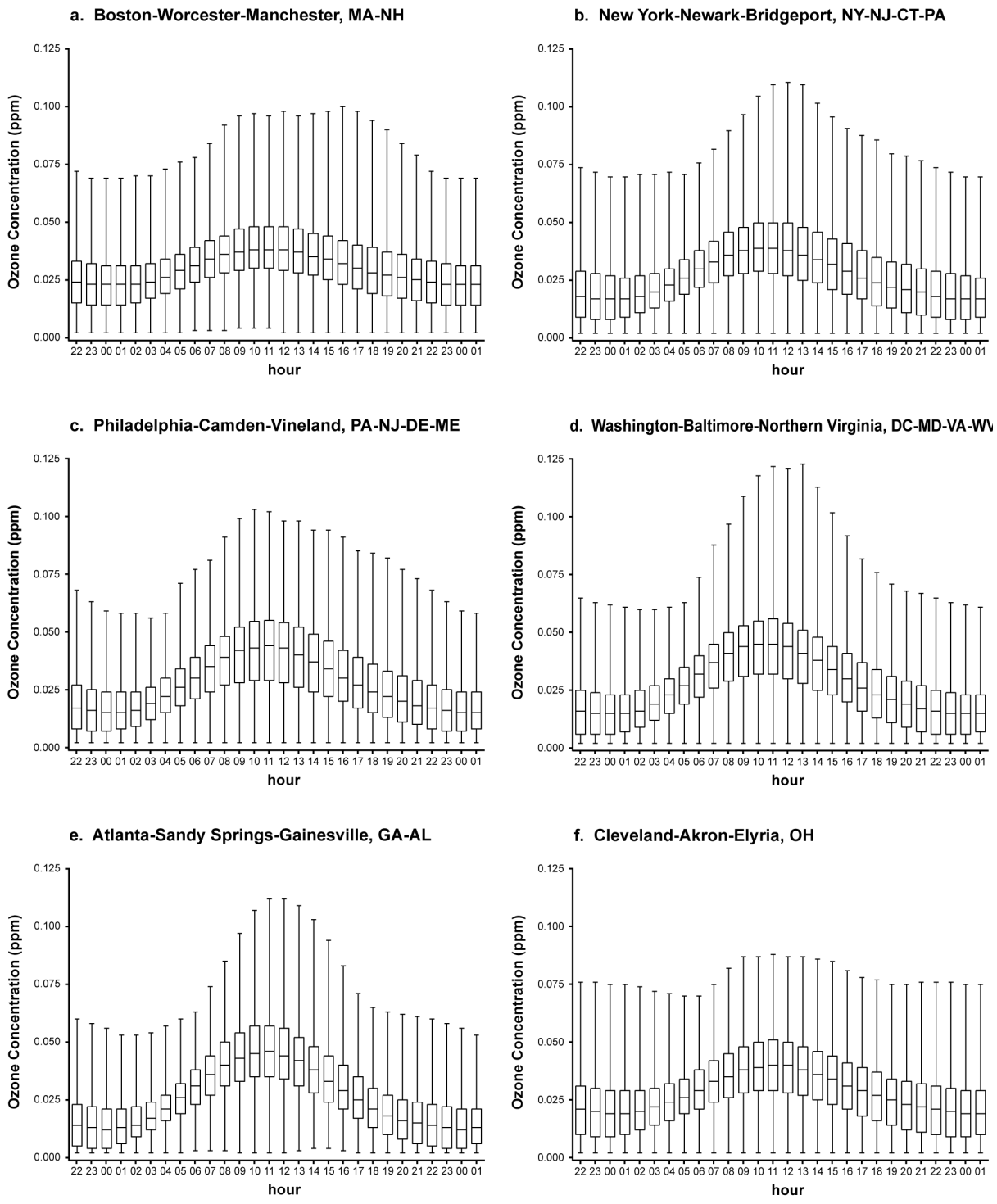

Figure AX3-44a-f. Diurnal variability in 8 hour averaged O_3 in selected urban areas. Values shown are averages from April to October 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers the minima and maxima. The hour refers to the start of the 8-h averaging period.

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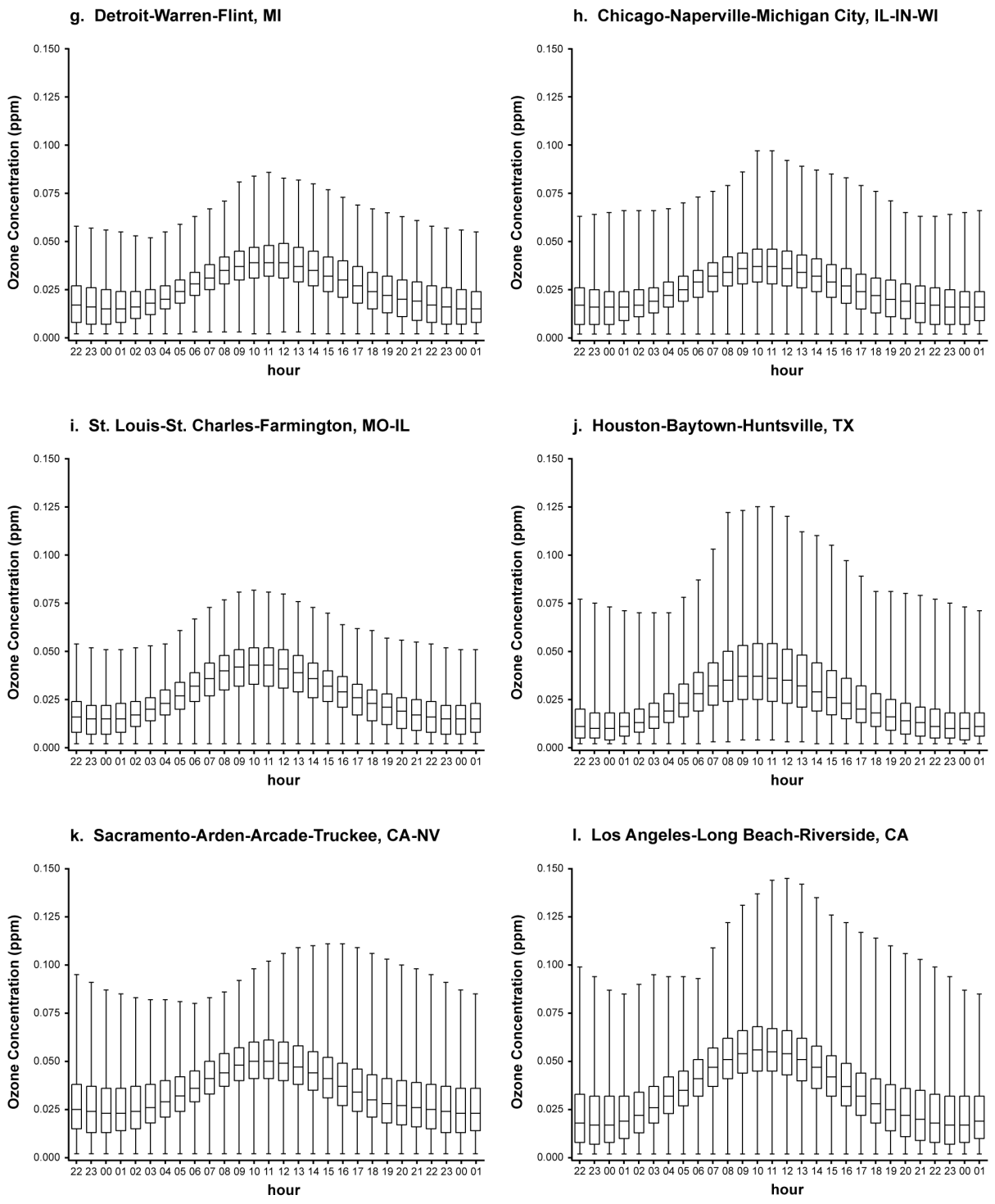


Figure AX3-44g-l. Diurnal variability in 8 hour averaged O_3 in selected urban areas. Values shown are averages from April to October 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers the minima and maxima. The hour refers to the start of the 8-h averaging period.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

As an aid to better understanding the nature of the diurnal patterns shown in the figures for EPA's 12 cities, Figures AX3-45a-d show the hours in which the 1-h daily maximum O_3 concentration occurs in four of the cities. As can be seen from Figures AX3-45a-c for the Philadelphia, Atlanta, and Houston areas, the maximum tends to occur from about 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. about half of the time, and most values occur between about 12 p.m to 6 p.m at higher values of the daily maximum 1-h O_3 concentration. Although values at Houston can occur earlier, these are most likely due to episodic releases from the petrochemical industries. For lower values of the 1-h daily maximum, most of the daily maxima still occur in the afternoon, but maxima can also occur at any time of the day or night. In the Los Angeles area, as shown in Figure AX3-45d high values of daily 1-h O_3 maxima can occur at any time during the day or night but with most values occurring during the afternoon.

Figures AX3-46a-d show the hours in which the 8-h daily maximum O_3 concentration begins. The mean time is about 10 a.m. at these four cities indicating that the 8-h daily maximum tends to occur on average from about 10 a.m to 6 p.m. However, there can be deviations from these times. The same general pattern in which the maxima tend to occur within a narrower time frame at high values than at low values is found in the four cities shown.

The patterns of diurnal variability for both 1-h and 8-h averages have remained quite stable over the 15 year period from 1990 to 2004, with times of occurrence of the daily maxima varying by no more than an hour from year to year in each of the 12 cities.

Weekday/Weekend Differences

In addition to varying diurnally, O_3 concentrations also vary from weekdays to weekends. Heuss et al. (2003) described the results of a nationwide analysis of weekday/weekend differences that demonstrated significant variation in these differences across the United States. Weekend 1-h or 8-h maximum O_3 varied from 15% lower to 30% higher than weekday levels across the U.S. The weekend O_3 increases were primarily found in and around large coastal cities in California and large cities in the Midwest and Northeast Corridor. Many sites that experienced elevated weekday O_3 also had higher O_3 on weekends even though the traffic and O_3 precursor levels were substantially reduced on weekends. The authors reported that detailed studies of this phenomenon indicated that the primary cause of the higher O_3 on weekends was

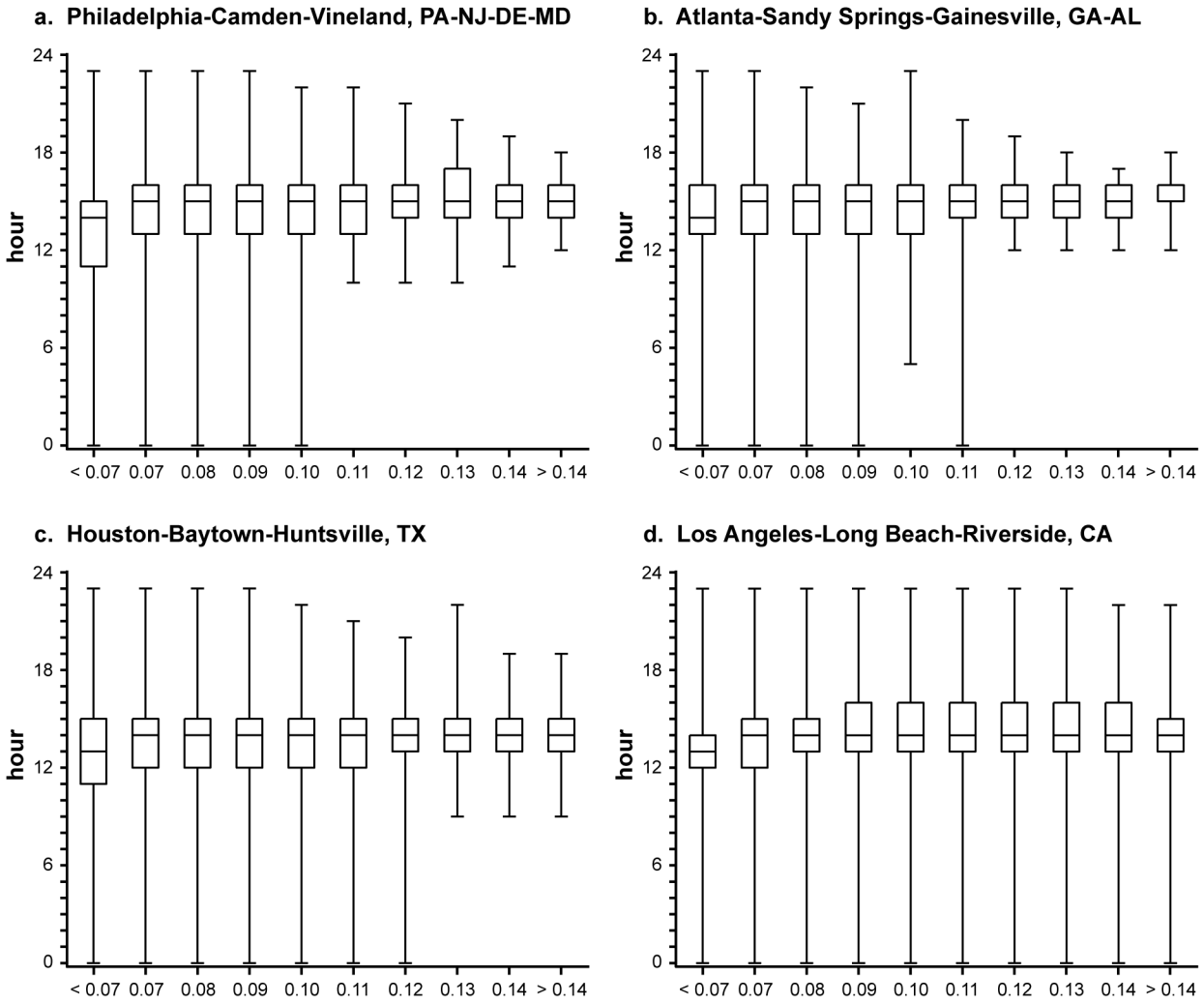


Figure AX3-45a-d. Time of occurrence of daily maximum 1-h O_3 concentration in four cities, averaged from April to October, 2000 to 2004.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

the reduction in oxides of nitrogen emissions on weekends in a volatile organic compound (VOC)-limited (NO_x-saturated) chemical regime (cf., Chapter 2). Heuss et al. (2003) hypothesized that the lower O_3 on weekends in other locations may result from NO_x reductions in a NO_x-limited regime (cf., Chapter 2).

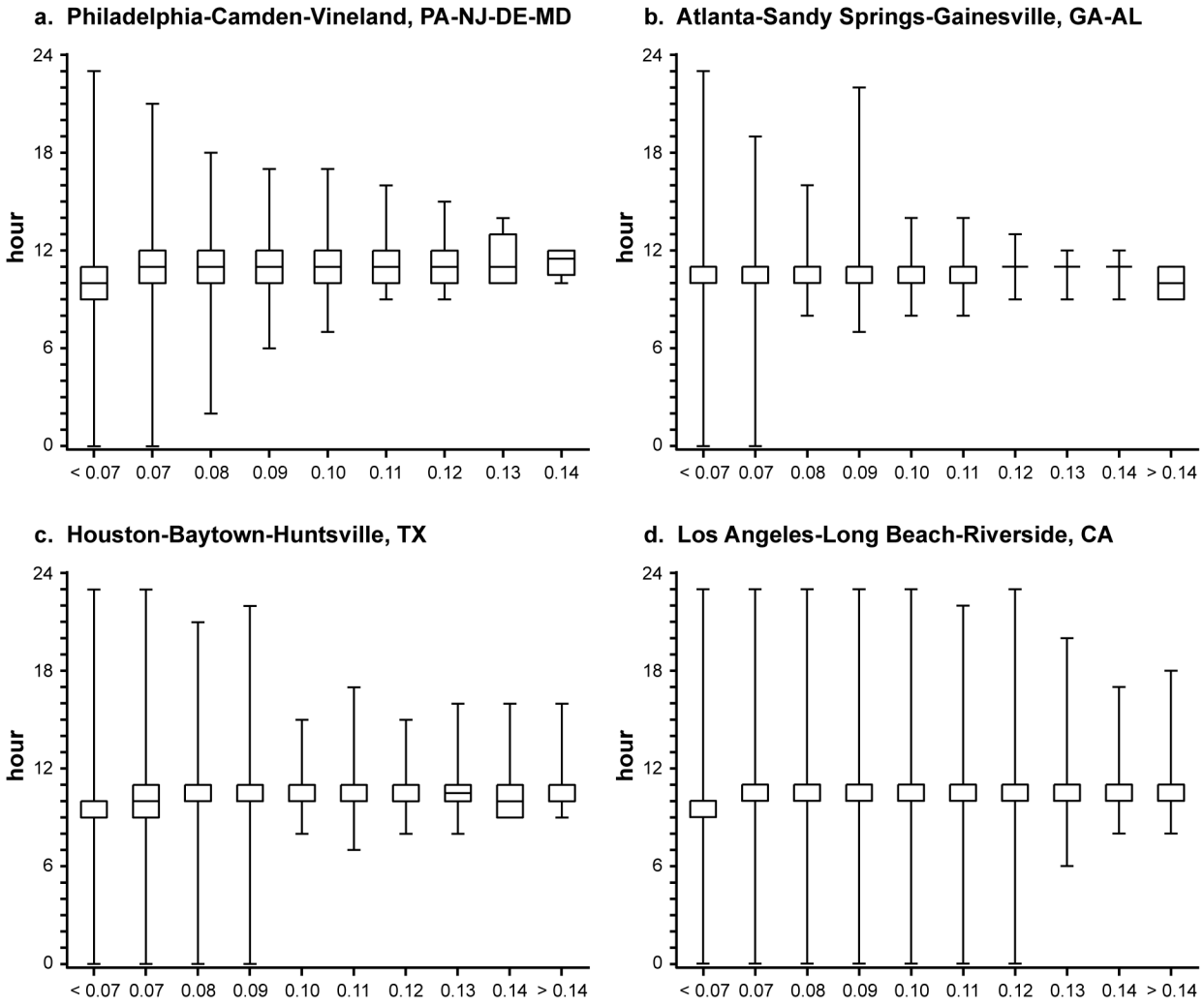


Figure AX3-46a-d. Time of occurrence of daily maximum 8-h average O_3 concentration in four cities, averaged from April to October, 2000 to 2004. The hour refers to the start of the 8-h averaging period.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

Pun et al. (2003) described the day-of-week behavior for O_3 in Chicago, Philadelphia, and Atlanta. In Chicago and Philadelphia, maximum 1-h average O_3 increases on weekends. In Atlanta, O_3 builds up from Mondays to Fridays and declines during the weekends. Fujita et al. (2003) pointed out that since the mid-1970s, O_3 levels in portions of California's South Coast Air Basin on weekends have been as high as or higher than levels on weekdays, even though

emissions of O_3 precursors are lower on weekends. Blanchard and Tanebaum (2003) noted that despite significantly lower O_3 precursor levels on weekends, 20 of 28 South Coast Air Basin sites showed statistically significant higher mean O_3 levels on Sundays than on weekdays. Chinkin et al. (2003) noted that ambient O_3 levels in California's South Coast Air Basin can be as much as 55% higher on weekends than on weekdays under comparable meteorological conditions.

Figures AX3-47a-h show the contrast in the patterns of hourly averaged O_3 in the greater Philadelphia, Atlanta, Houston and Los Angeles areas from weekdays to weekends from May to September 2004. Daily maximum concentrations occur basically at the same time on either weekdays or weekends. Mean O_3 concentrations at midday are about the same on weekdays and weekends in Atlanta, Philadelphia, and Houston, but are higher on weekends in the Los Angeles area. Figures AX3-48a-h show the weekday/weekend differences for the 8-h averages. As can be seen from the figures, the lowest O_3 concentration observed during weekend afternoons tend to be higher than on weekday afternoons. On weekends, traffic volumes are lower and there are fewer diesel vehicles on the road, resulting in a lower rate of scavenging by NO. The spike in values shown for Houston in mid-morning shown in Figure AX3-47 resulted from the release of highly reactive hydrocarbons from the petrochemical industry (which could occur on any day of the week). Otherwise, the maximum O_3 concentrations could be seen to occur during the week as they do in Philadelphia and Atlanta, in contrast to Los Angeles.

Spatial Variability in Diurnal Patterns

Daily maxima in either the 1-h or 8-h averages do not necessarily occur at the same time of day at each site in the 12 cities, and the diurnal pattern observed at individual sites can vary from the composites shown in Figures AX3-41 and 42. Differences in diurnal patterns between sites are related to differences in transport times from sources of precursors, chemical reactions, in particular, titration of O_3 by NO from local sources. Figure AX3-49a shows the diurnal pattern of 1-h average O_3 at a site in downtown Detroit, MI (cf. Site J in Figure AX3-30). This site is affected by nearby traffic emissions. Figure AX3-49b shows the diurnal pattern at a site well downwind (cf, Site D in Figure AX3-30). The peak 1-h average O_3 concentrations tend be higher at the downwind site than at the site in the urban core. Figure AX3-50a shows the diurnal patterns at a site in downtown St. Louis (cf. Site P in Figure AX3-31) and Figure AX3-50b

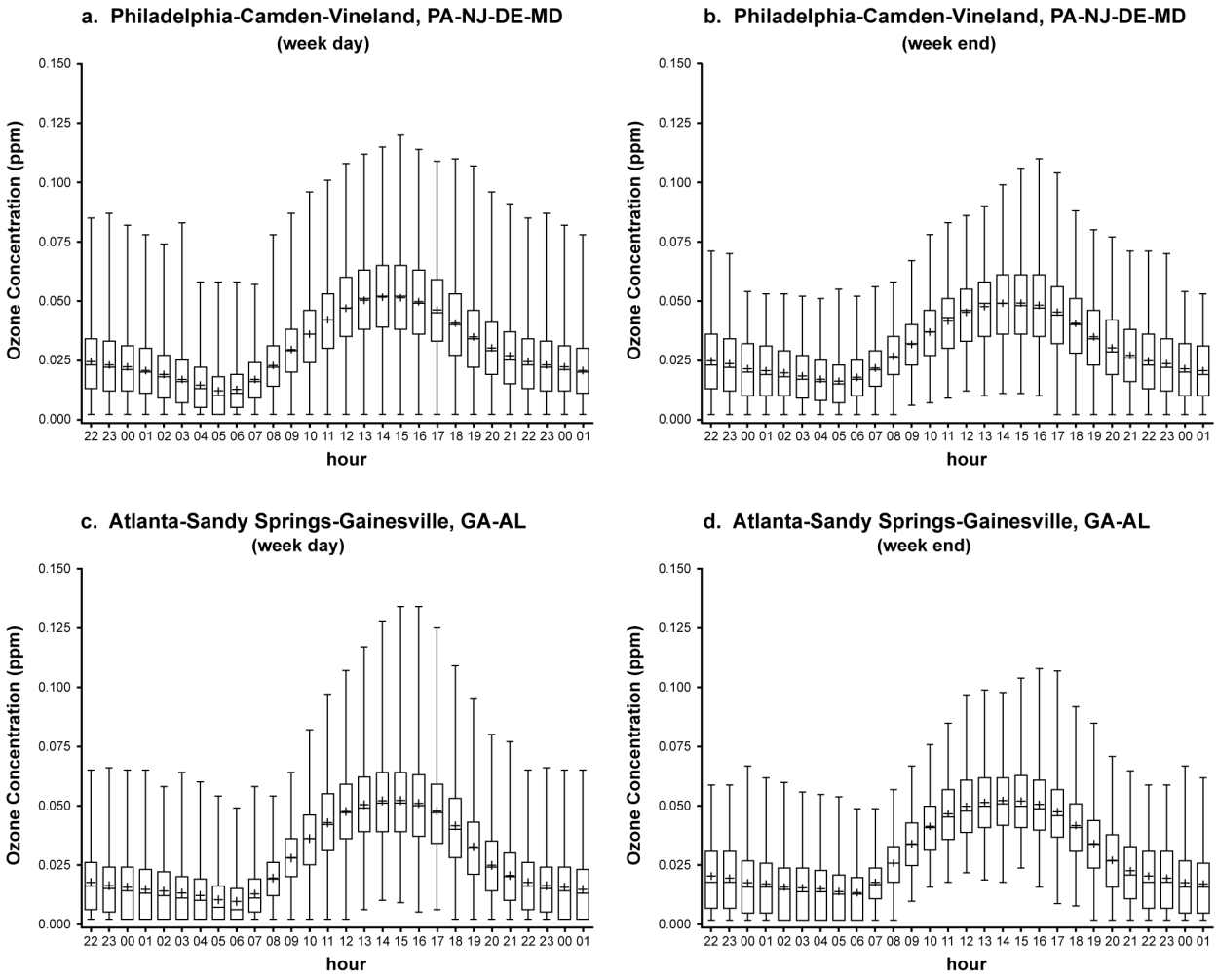


Figure AX3-47a-d. Diurnal variations in hourly averaged O_3 on weekdays and weekends in four cities. Values shown represent averages from May to September of 2004.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

shows the diurnal pattern at a site downwind (Site A in Figure AX3-31). The same general relations are observed at the two sites in the St. Louis urban area as in the Detroit urban area. Figure AX3-51a shows the diurnal pattern observed at a site in San Bernadino, CA. This site is affected by transport of precursors from Los Angeles County, production from local precursors and by nearby NO sources driving O_3 to very low levels at night as shown. A relatively high peak 1-h O_3 concentrations is reached at 2 to 3 p.m. Figure AX3-51b shows the diurnal pattern of O_3 at a site about 80 km to the east of the site mentioned above (cf. Site Q in Figure AX3-36)

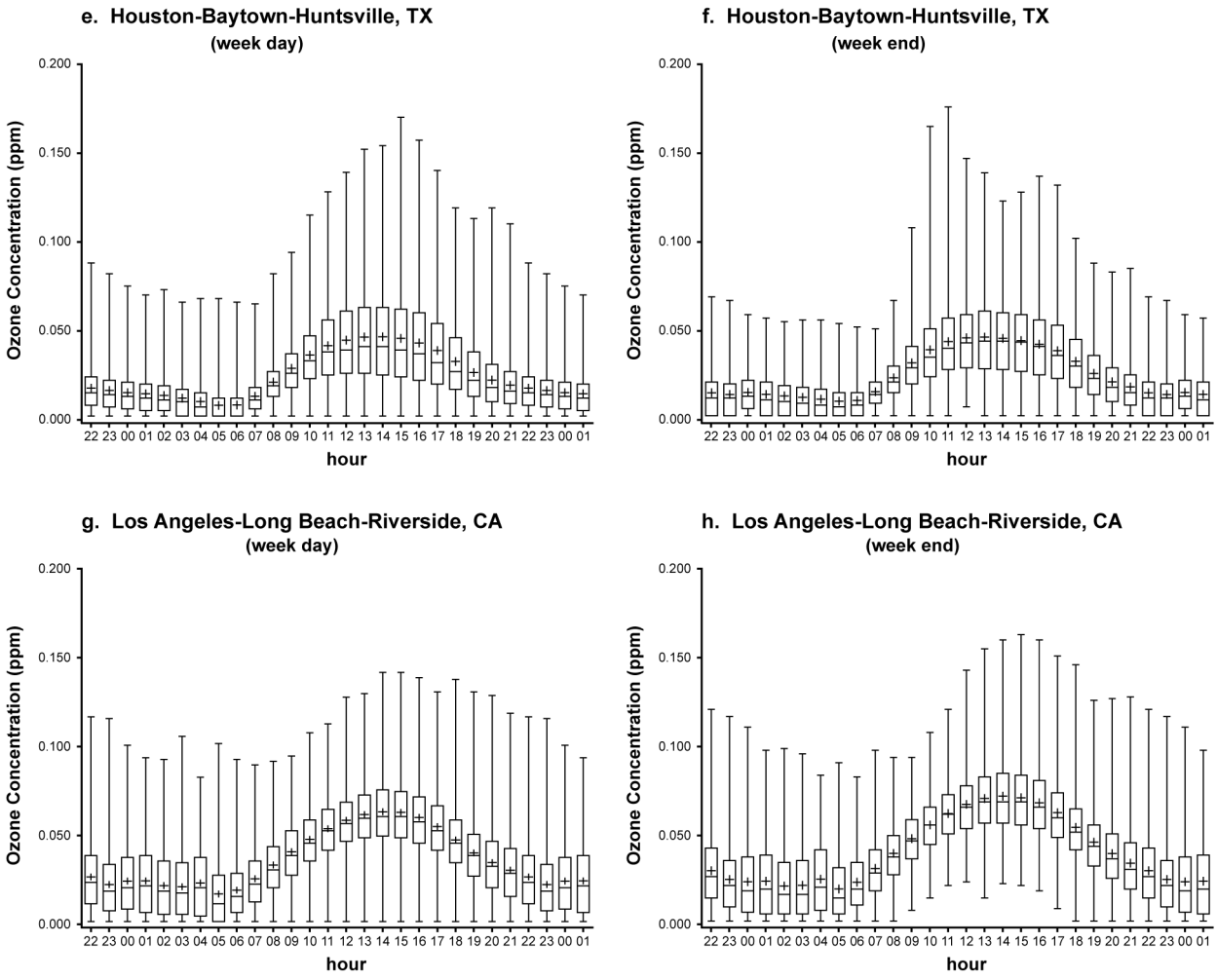


Figure AX3-47e-h. Diurnal variations in hourly averaged O_3 on weekdays and weekends in four cities. Values shown represent averages from May to September of 2004.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

in a relatively unpopulated area. The diurnal pattern of hourly averaged O_3 is much flatter and the 1-h peak concentration is reached about 5 or 6 p.m., on average. The cause of the rise in concentrations at 2 a.m. is not clear.

The diurnal variation in the 8-h averages observed at the two contrasting sites in these three areas are shown in Figures AX3-52a,b, 53a,b, and 54a,b. As might be expected the patterns are somewhat flatter than for the 1-h averages. This implies that the difference in 8-h averages can be substantial (i.e., over a factor of two) during early morning and afternoon and evening.

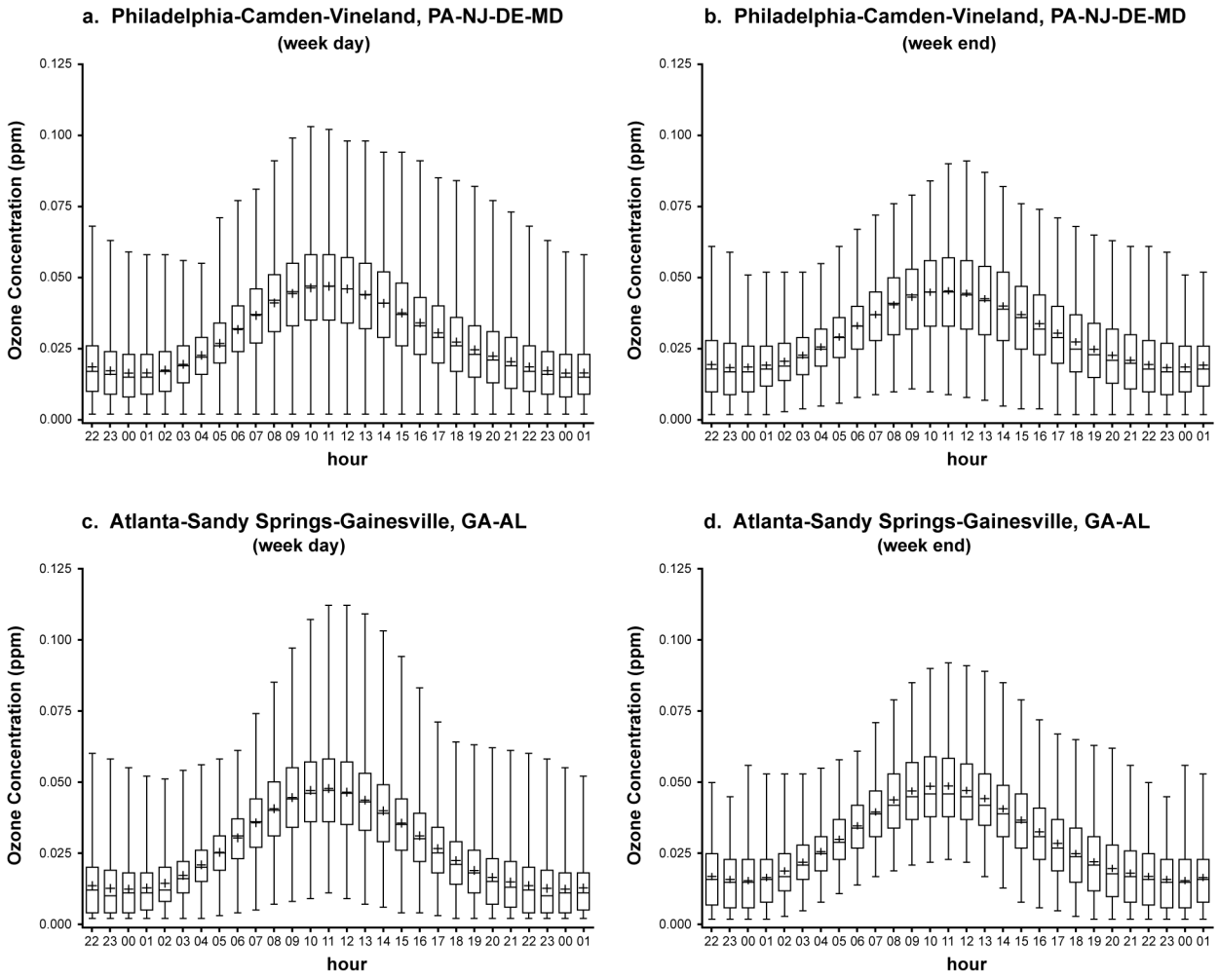
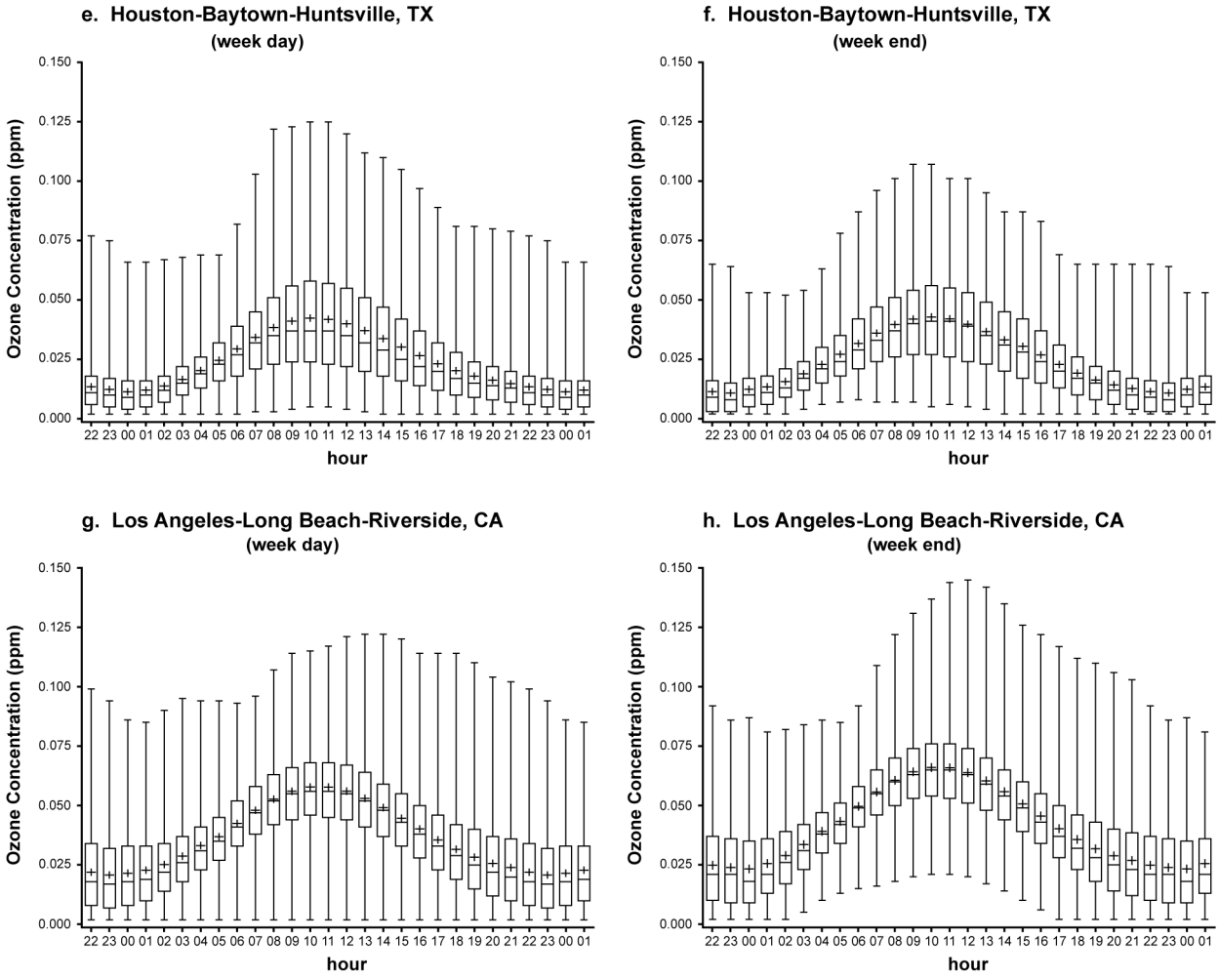


Figure AX3-48a-d. Diurnal variations in 8-h averaged O_3 on weekdays and weekends in four cities. Values shown represent averages from May to September of 2004. The hour refers to the start of the 8-h averaging period.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

The general pattern that emerges from the site to site variability within the urban areas examined is that peaks in 1-h average concentrations are higher and tend to occur later at downwind sites than in the urban cores. To the extent that monitoring site are either near to or remote from sources of precursors in urban/suburban areas, the behavior of O_3 will follow these basic patterns. Similar relations are found for the 8-h average O_3 concentrations.



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Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

AX3.3.3 Diurnal Patterns in Nonurban Areas

Composite diurnal patterns of O_3 are shown in Figure AX3-55 for hourly averaged O_3 and in Figure AX3-56 for 8 hour average O_3 at rural (CASTNET) sites. As can be seen from a comparison of Figures AX3-55 and AX3-56 with Figures AX3-42 and AX3-43, diurnal patterns of O_3 are smoother and shallower at the rural sites than at the urban sites. Maxima in hourly averaged O_3 concentrations also tend to occur in afternoon. However, highest concentrations

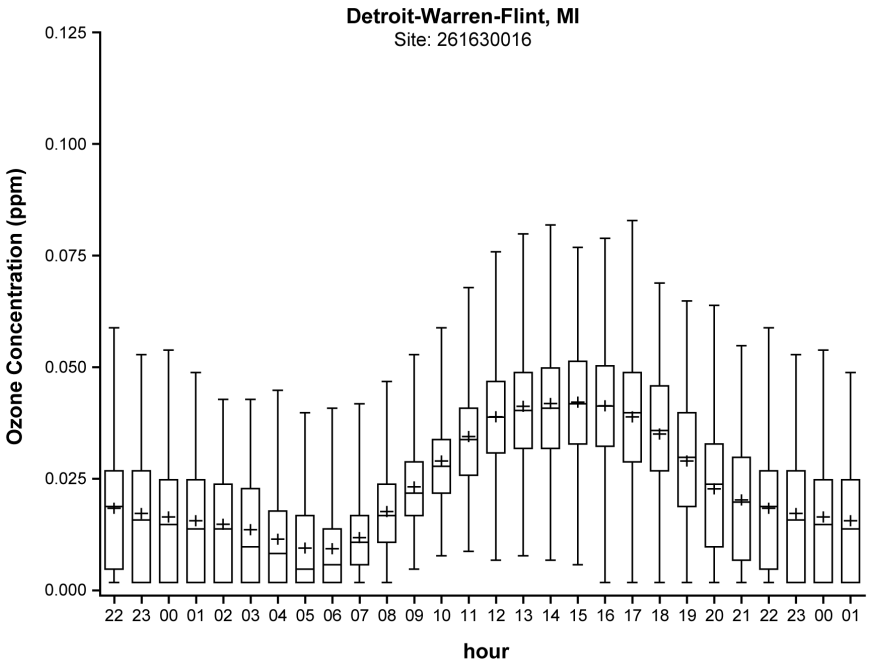

Figure AX3-49a. Diurnal variations in hourly averaged O_3 at a site in downtown Detroit, MI.

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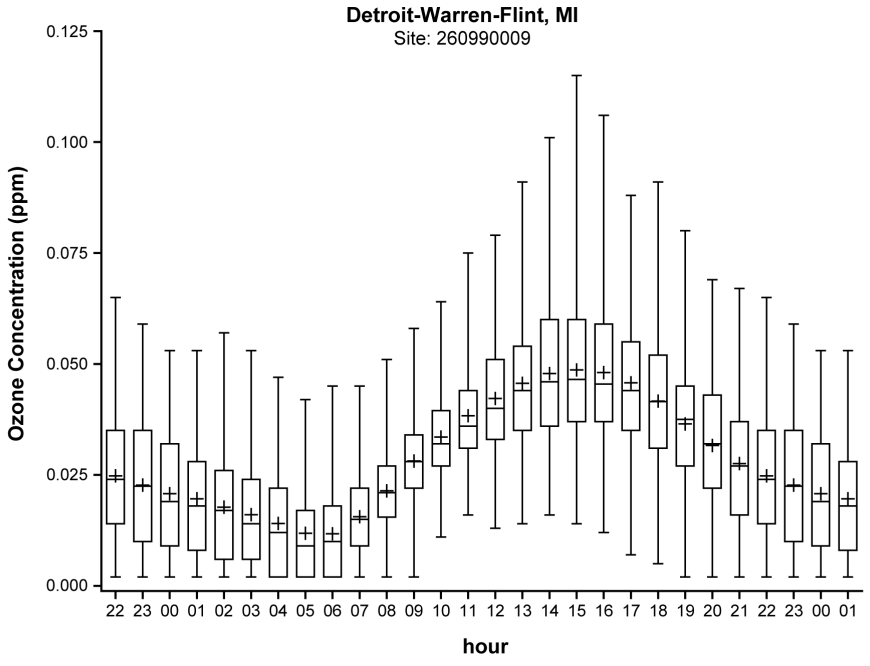

Figure AX3-49b. Diurnal variations in hourly averaged O_3 at a site downwind of downtown Detroit.

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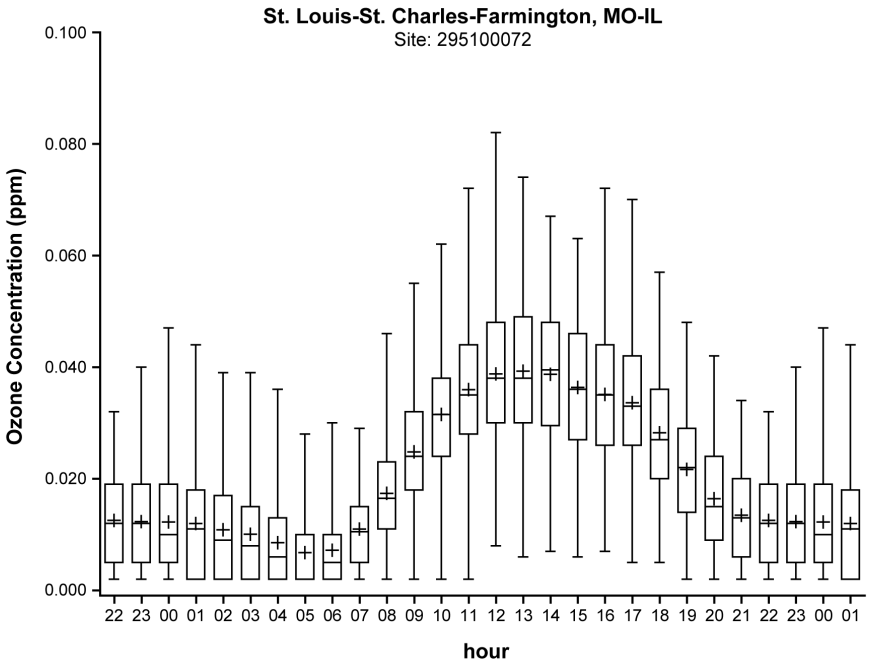

Figure AX3-50a. Diurnal variations in hourly averaged O_3 at a site in downtown St. Louis, MO.

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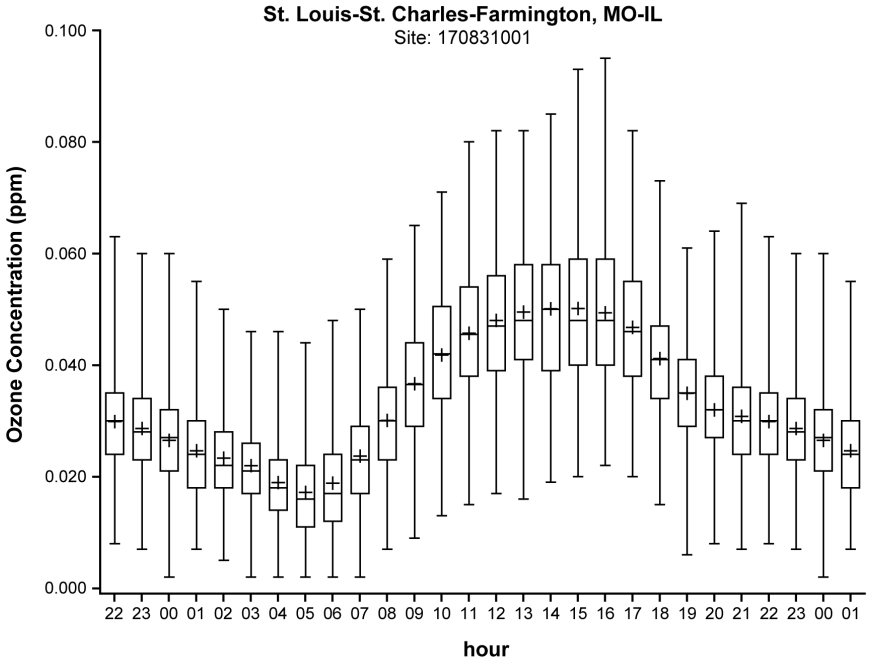

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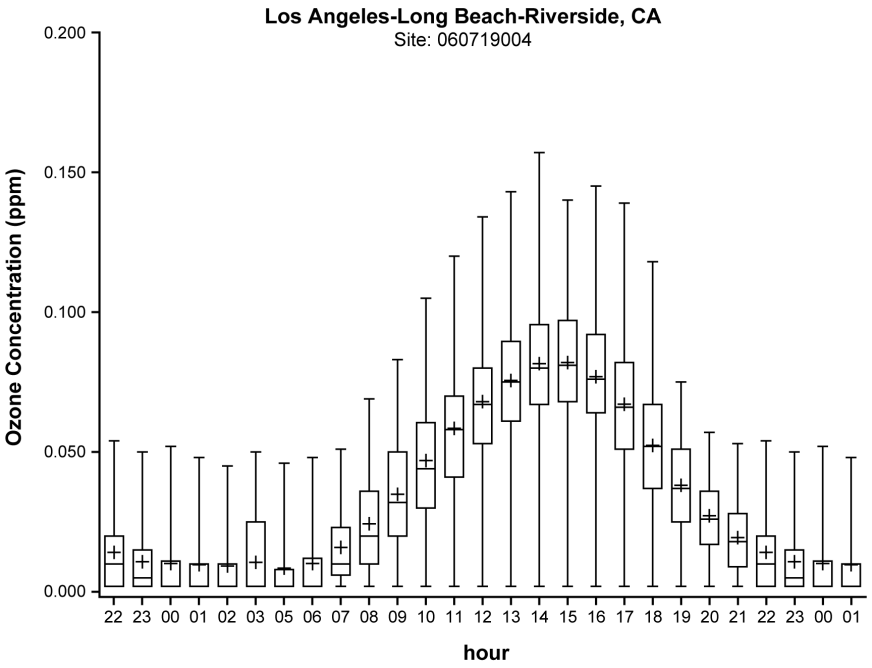

Figure AX3-51a. Diurnal variations in hourly averaged O_3 at a site in San Bernadino, CA.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

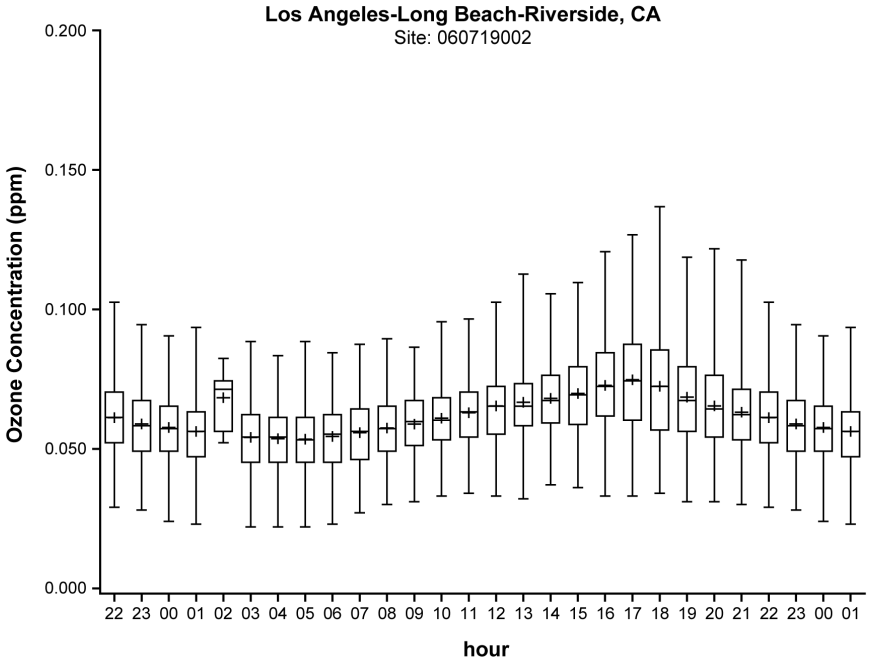

Figure AX3-51b. Diurnal variations in hourly averaged O_3 at a site in Riverside County well downwind of sources.

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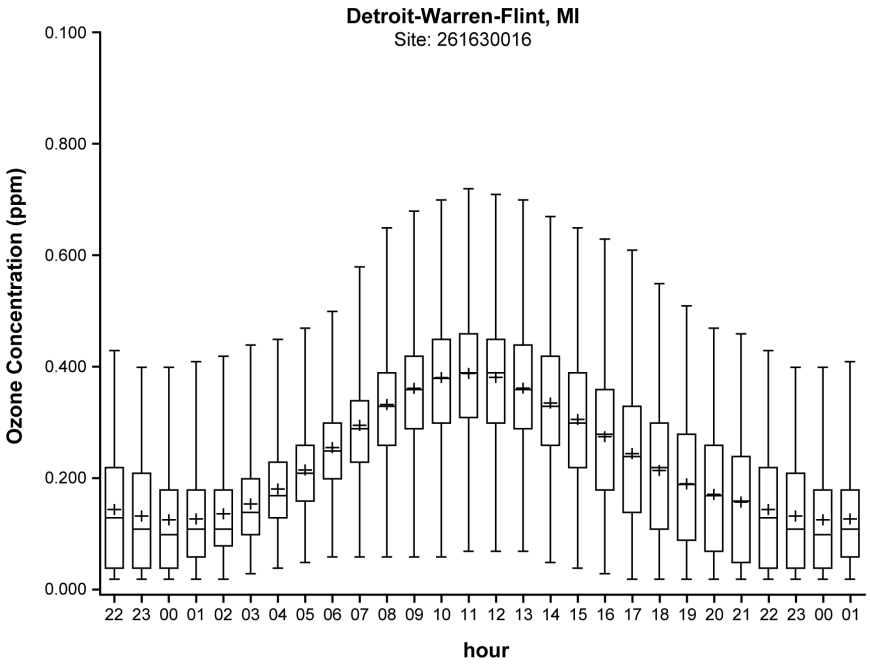

Figure AX3-52a. Diurnal variations in 8-h average O_3 at a site in downtown Detroit, MI.

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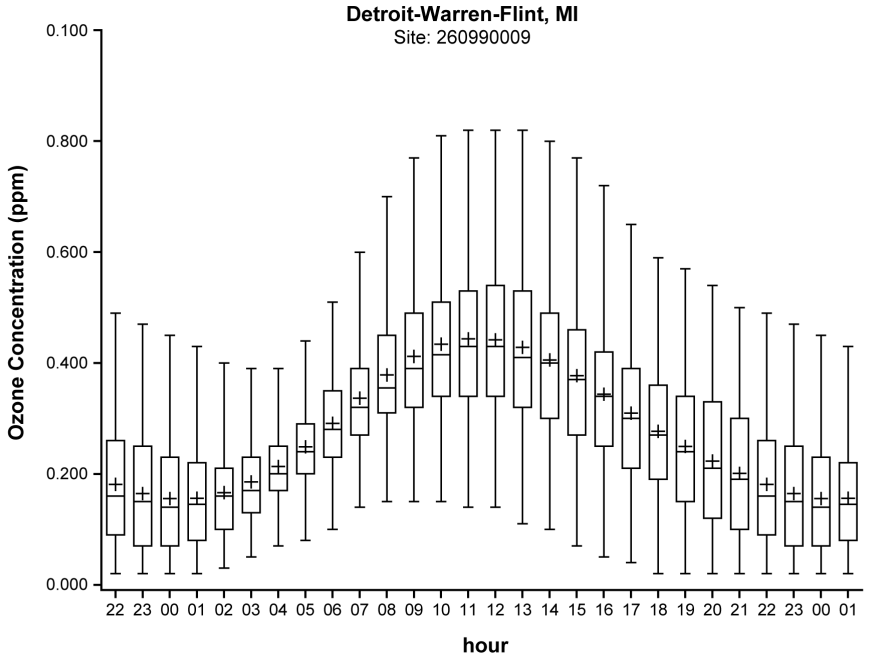

Figure AX52-b. Diurnal variations in 8-h average O_3 at a site downwind of downtown Detroit, MI.

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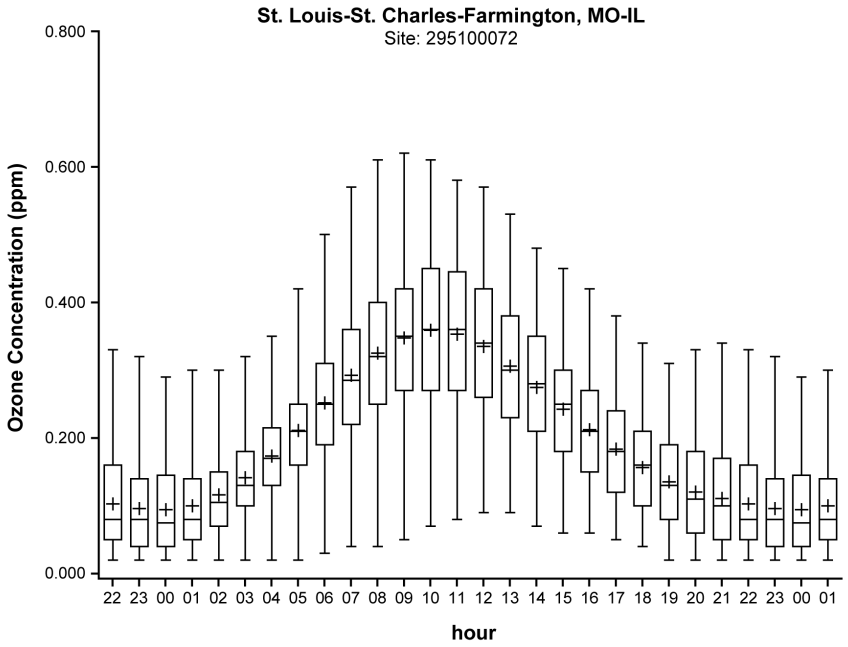

Figure AX3-53a. Diurnal variations in 8-h average ozone at a site in downtown St. Louis, MO.

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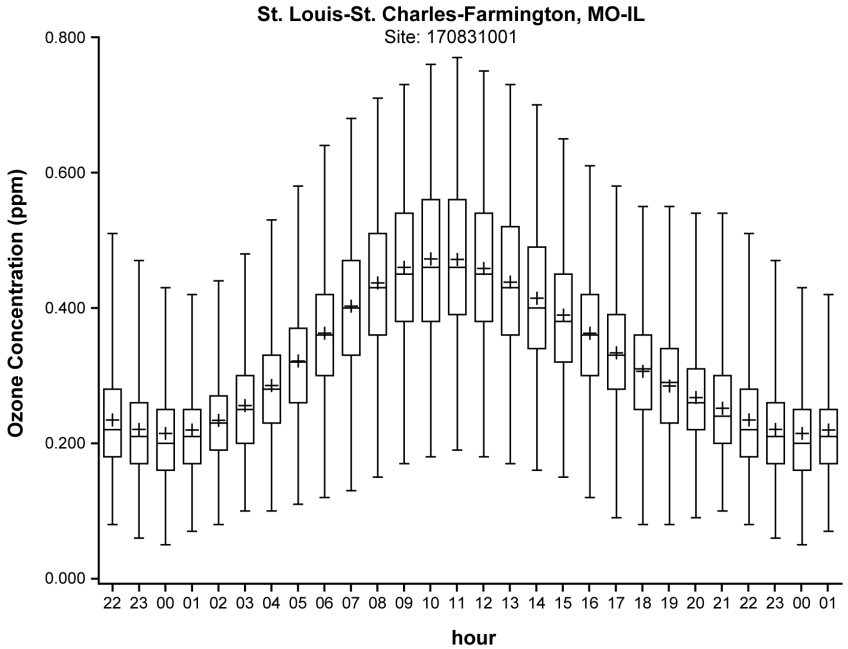

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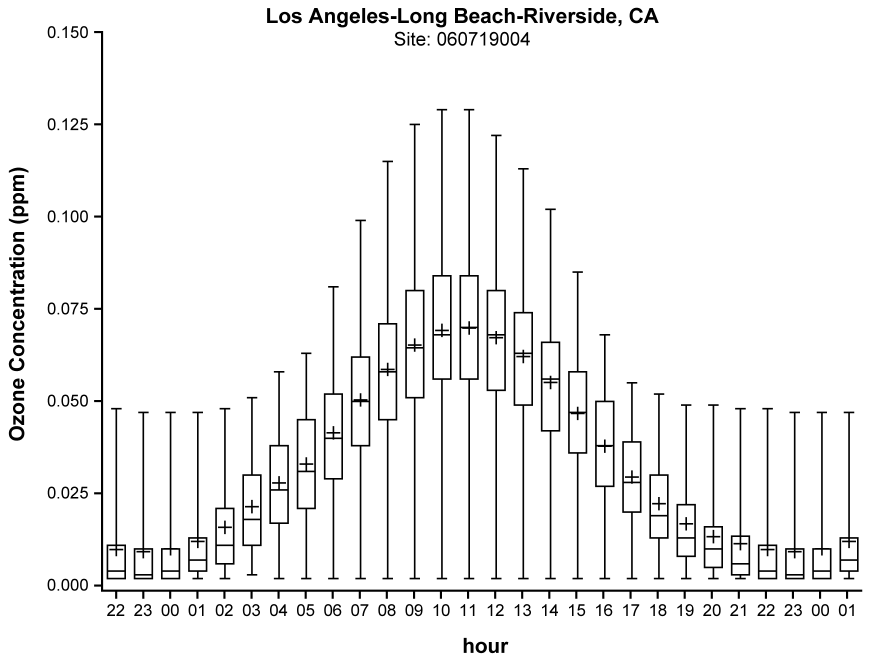

Figure AX3-54a. Diurnal variations in 8-h average O_3 at a site in San Bernadino, CA.

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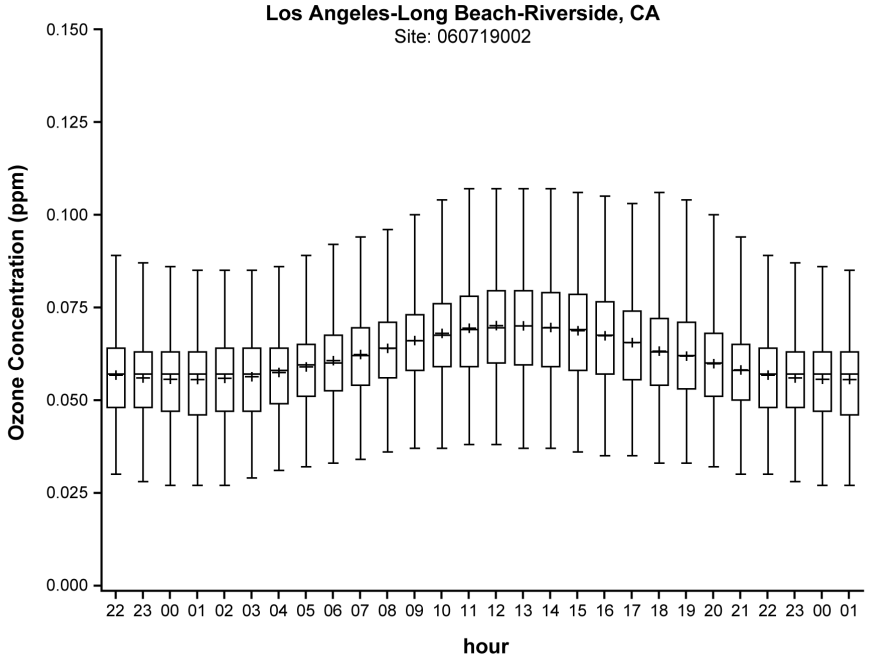

Figure AX3-54b. Diurnal variations in 8-h average O_3 at a site in Riverside County well downwind of sources.

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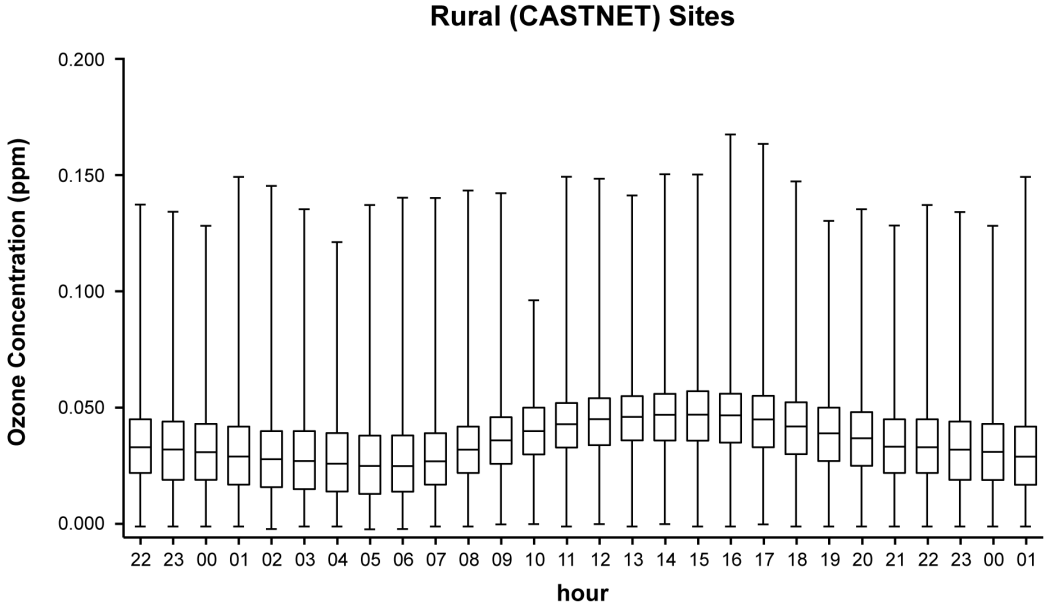

Figure AX3-55. Composite diurnal variability in hourly O_3 concentrations observed at CASTNET sites. Values shown are averages from April to October 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers the minima and maxima.

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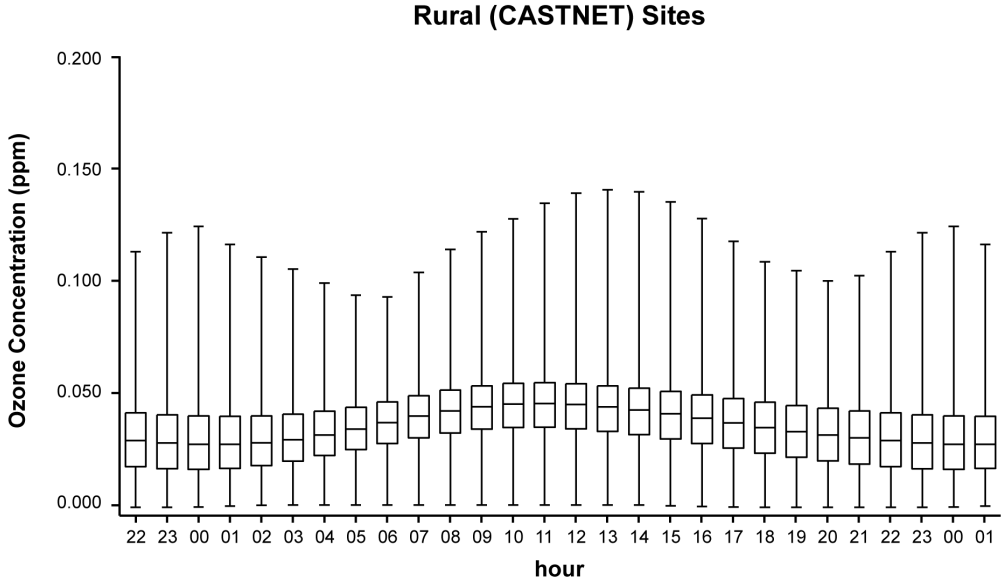

Figure AX3-56. Composite diurnal variability in 8-h average O_3 concentrations observed at CASTNET sites. Values shown are averages from April to October 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers the minima and maxima.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

observed during any particular hour at night at the CASTNET sites (~0.130 ppm) are substantially higher than observed in urban areas (<0.100 ppm) and daily 1-h maxima at CASTNET sites have exceeded 0.150 ppm. The diurnal variations in 8-h average O_3 concentrations are also much smaller at the CASTNET sites than at the urban sites. Note also that the maxima in 8-h average O_3 concentrations are higher at the CASTNET sites than at the urban sites.

The diurnal variability of O_3 in urban/suburban areas or in areas affected by local power plants and highways is usually much greater than in other more isolated areas. The diurnal variability of two sites that are characteristic of these two patterns is shown in Figure AX3-57. The Jefferson County, KY site is characterized as suburban-residential in the AQS database and is near Louisville, KY. High levels of O_3 and NO can be found there. The Oliver County, ND site is characterized as rural-agricultural in the AQS database. This site is fairly isolated from combustion sources of precursors and is not near any large urban area. As can be seen from Figure AX3-57, the diurnal variability of O_3 is much smaller at the North Dakota site than it is at the Kentucky site. The Kentucky site is influenced strongly by emissions of NO that scavenge O_3 during the night and by photochemical reactions that form O_3 during the day. These sources are lacking in the vicinity of the North Dakota site, and O_3 observed there arrives mainly from transport from distant source regions.

Logan (1989) described the diurnal variability of O_3 at several rural locations, shown in Figure AX3-58, and noted that on average, daily profiles show a broad maximum from about noon to about 6 p.m. at all the eastern sites, except for the peak of Mt. Washington. Further results that document the diurnal behavior of O_3 in the United States during the past few decades can be found in the previous AQCD for O_3. Figure AX3-59 shows diurnal patterns for several national forest sites in the EPA AQS database for 2002. Several of the sites analyzed exhibit fairly flat average diurnal patterns. Such a pattern is based on average concentrations calculated over an extended period and caution is urged in drawing conclusions concerning whether some monitoring sites illustrated in the figure experience higher cumulative O_3 exposures than other sites. Variation in O_3 concentration occurs from hour to hour on a daily basis, and, in some cases, elevated hourly average concentrations are experienced either during daytime or nighttime periods (Lefohn and Mohnen, 1986; Lefohn and Jones, 1986; Logan, 1989; Lefohn et al., 1990a; Taylor et al., 1992). Because the diurnal patterns represent averaged concentrations calculated

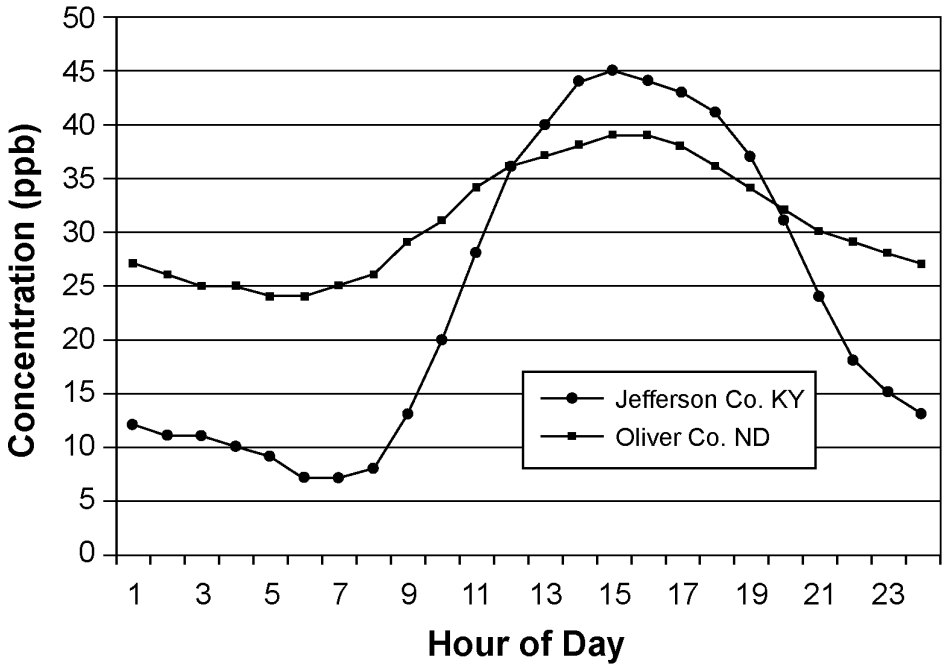

Figure AX3-57. The comparison of the seasonal diurnal patterns for urban-influenced (Jefferson County, KY) and a rural-influenced (Oliver County, ND) monitoring sites using 2002 hourly data for April-October.

over an extended period, the smoothing from the averaging tends to mask the elevated hourly average concentrations.

Lefohn et al. (1990b) characterized O_3 concentrations at high-elevation monitoring sites. The authors reported that a fairly flat diurnal pattern for the Whiteface Mountain summit site (WF1) was observed (Figure AX3-60a), with the maximum hourly average concentrations occurring in the late evening or early morning hours. A similar pattern was observed for the mid-elevation site at Whiteface Mountain (WF3). The site at the base of Whiteface Mountain (WF4) showed the typical diurnal pattern expected from sites that experience some degree of O_3 scavenging. More variation in the diurnal pattern for the highest Shenandoah National Park sites occurred than for the higher elevation Whiteface Mountain sites, with the typical variation for urban-influenced sites in the diurnal pattern at the lower elevation Shenandoah National Park site (Figure AX3-60b). Aneja and Li (1992), in their analysis of the five high-elevation Mountain Cloud Chemistry Program (MCCP) sites, noted the presence of the flat diurnal pattern typical of

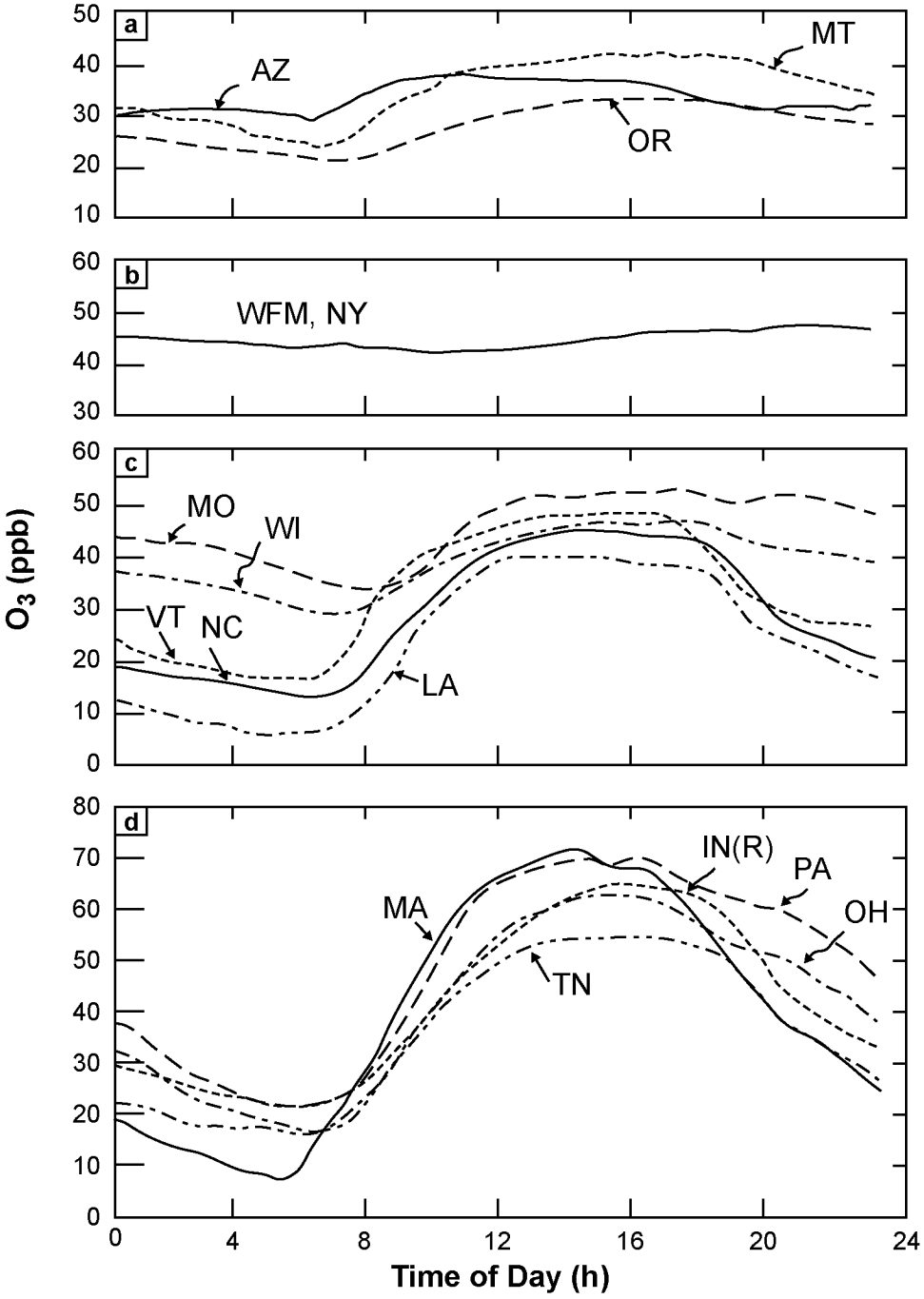

Figure AX3-58a-d. Diurnal behavior of O_3 at rural sites in the United States in July. Sites are identified by the state in which they are located. (a) Western National Air Pollution Background Network sites (NAPBN); (b) Whiteface Mountain (WFM) located at 1.5 km above sea level; (c) eastern NAPBN sites; and (d) sites selected from the Electric Power Research Institute's Sulfate Regional Air Quality Study. IN(R) refers to Rockport.

Source: Logan (1989).

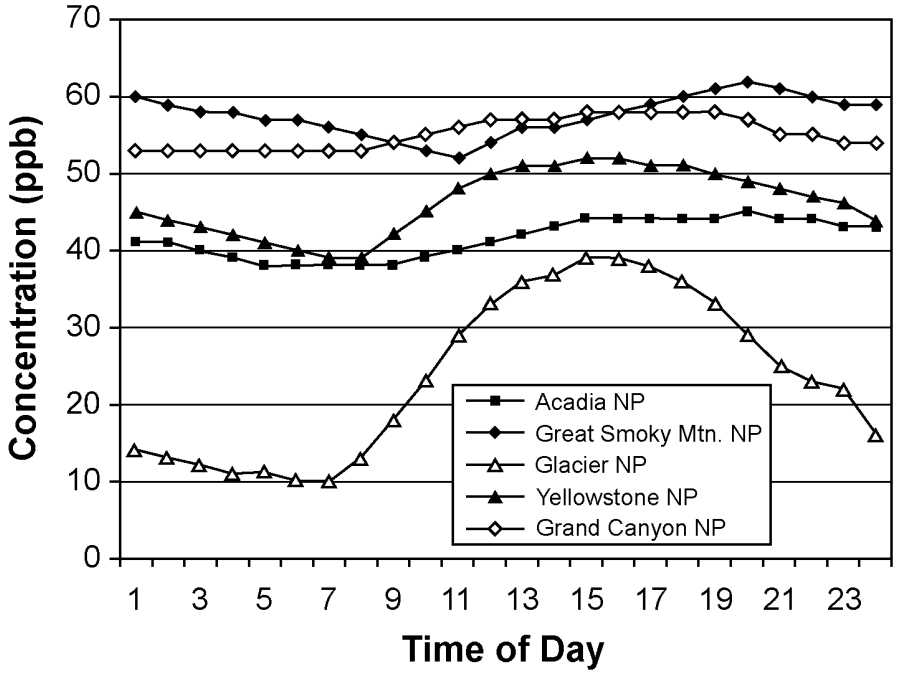

Figure AX3-59. Composite diurnal O_3 pattern at selected national forest sites in the United States using 2002 hourly average concentration data.

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2003a).

high-elevation sites that has been described previously in the literature. Aneja and Li (1992) noted that the peak of the diurnal patterns over the period of May to October (1986 to 1988) occurred between 1800 and 2400 hours for the five sites, whereas the minimum was observed between 0900 and 1200 hours. However, it is important to note that, as indicated by Lefohn et al. (1990b), the flat diurnal pattern was not observed for all high-elevation sites.

As mentioned earlier, nonurban areas only marginally affected by nearby sources usually have a flatter diurnal profile than sites located in urban areas. Nonurban O_3 monitoring sites experience differing types of diurnal patterns, as shown in this section. The difference in diurnal patterns may influence the potential for O_3 exposures to affect vegetation.

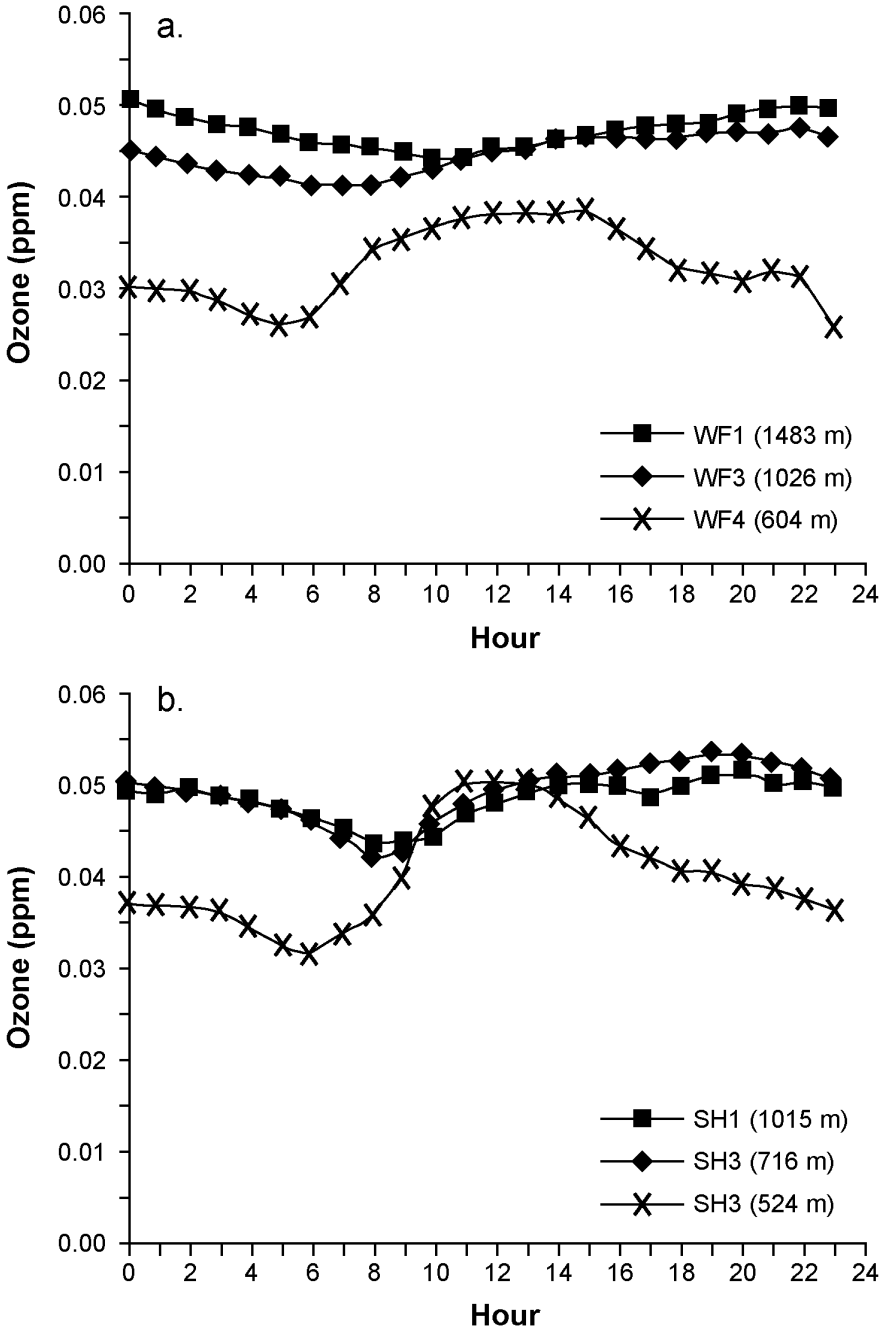

Figure AX3-60a,b. Composite diurnal pattern at (a) Whiteface Mountain, NY and (b) the Mountain Cloud Chemistry Program Shenandoah National Park site for May to September 1987.

Source: Lefohn et al. (1990a).

AX3.5 SEASONAL VARIATIONS IN OZONE CONCENTRATIONS

AX3.5.1 Seasonal Variations in Urban Areas

Seasonal Variability

Figures AX3-61a-h show maximum 1-h O_3 concentrations by month for selected urban sites for 2002. As can be seen from the figure, maximum 1-h O_3 concentrations tend to occur mainly in July and August, but may also occur in other months. For example, they occurred in June in Washington, DC and Denver, CO. The number of months for which data are shown depends on local preference for the length of monitoring during the year. Due to a number of factors, the absolute magnitude and the timing of the maximum hourly average concentrations varies from year to year.

It should not be assumed that highest O_3 levels are confined to the summer. Highest average O_3 concentrations generally occur at RRMS during the second quarter (i.e., during April or May) versus the third quarter of the year as for urban sites or for nonurban sites heavily affected by regional pollution sources.

The seasonal behavior of O_3 varies across the 12 cities and high O_3 values are also found at some of the 12 cities outside of summer (e.g., Houston and Los Angeles). Figures AX3-62a-l show the diurnal variability of hourly average O_3 averaged over November through March for EPA's 12 cities. Daily maxima tend to occur between about 1 and 2 p.m. standard time is used across the U.S. accounting for the one hour shift from the warm season. As expected, maximum values tend to be lower than during the warmer months. The diurnal patterns are not as clear as in the warmer season as there is a greater tendency for highest values to occur throughout the day and not only during early afternoon. In most northern cities, the extreme values of the daily maximum 8-h average O_3 concentration are a little more than half of those during the warm season and the ratio of the medians are more similar as can be judged by comparison of Figures AX3-41a-l with Figures AX3-62a-l. Differences are even smaller for the southern cities. Indeed, some of the highest values are found in the Houston CSA outside of summer.

Figures AX3-63a-l show the diurnal variability of 8-h average O_3 averaged over November through March for EPA's 12 cities.

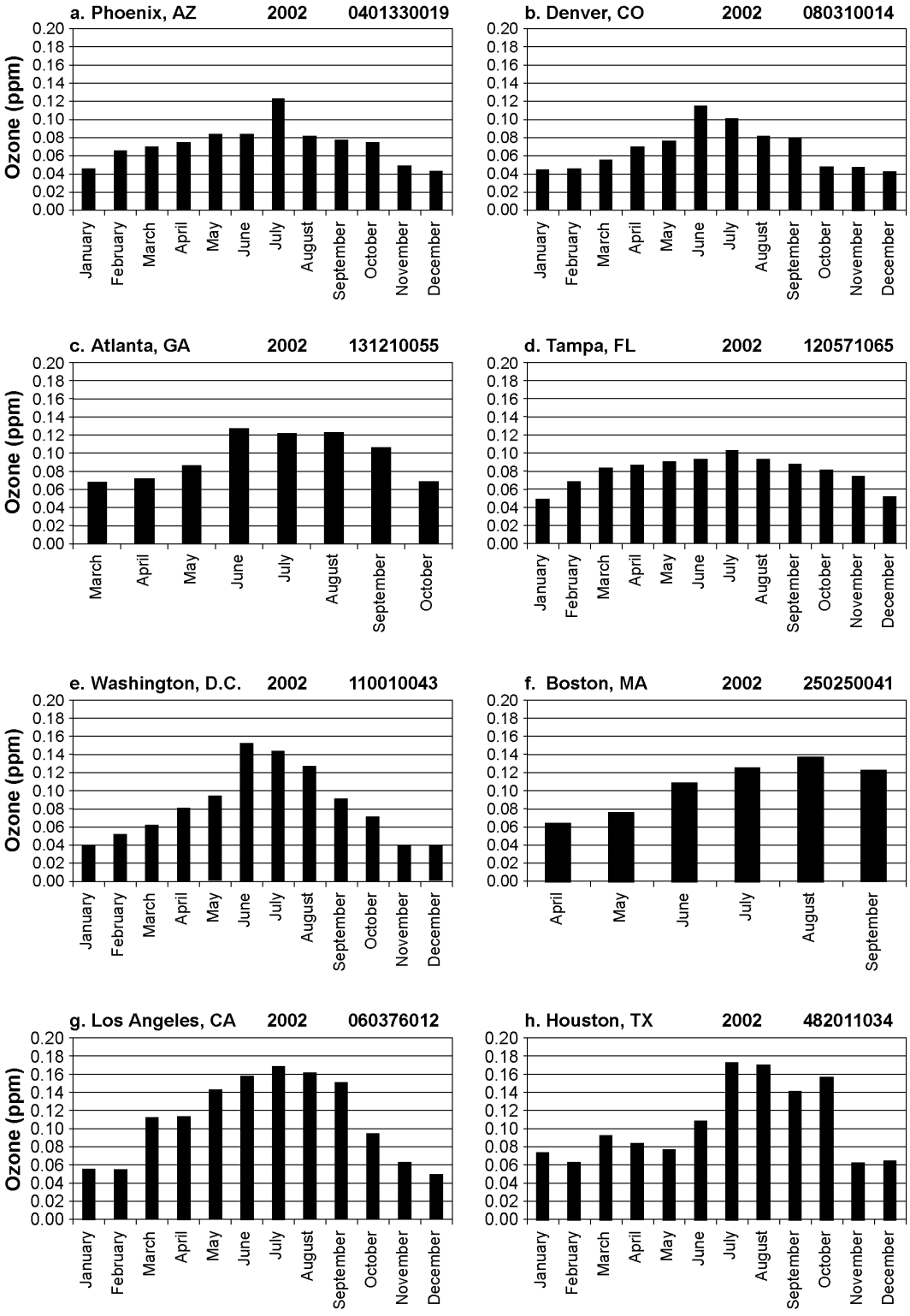

Figure AX3-61a-h. Seasonal variations in O_3 concentrations as indicated by the 1-h maximum in each month at selected sites, 2002.

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2003a).

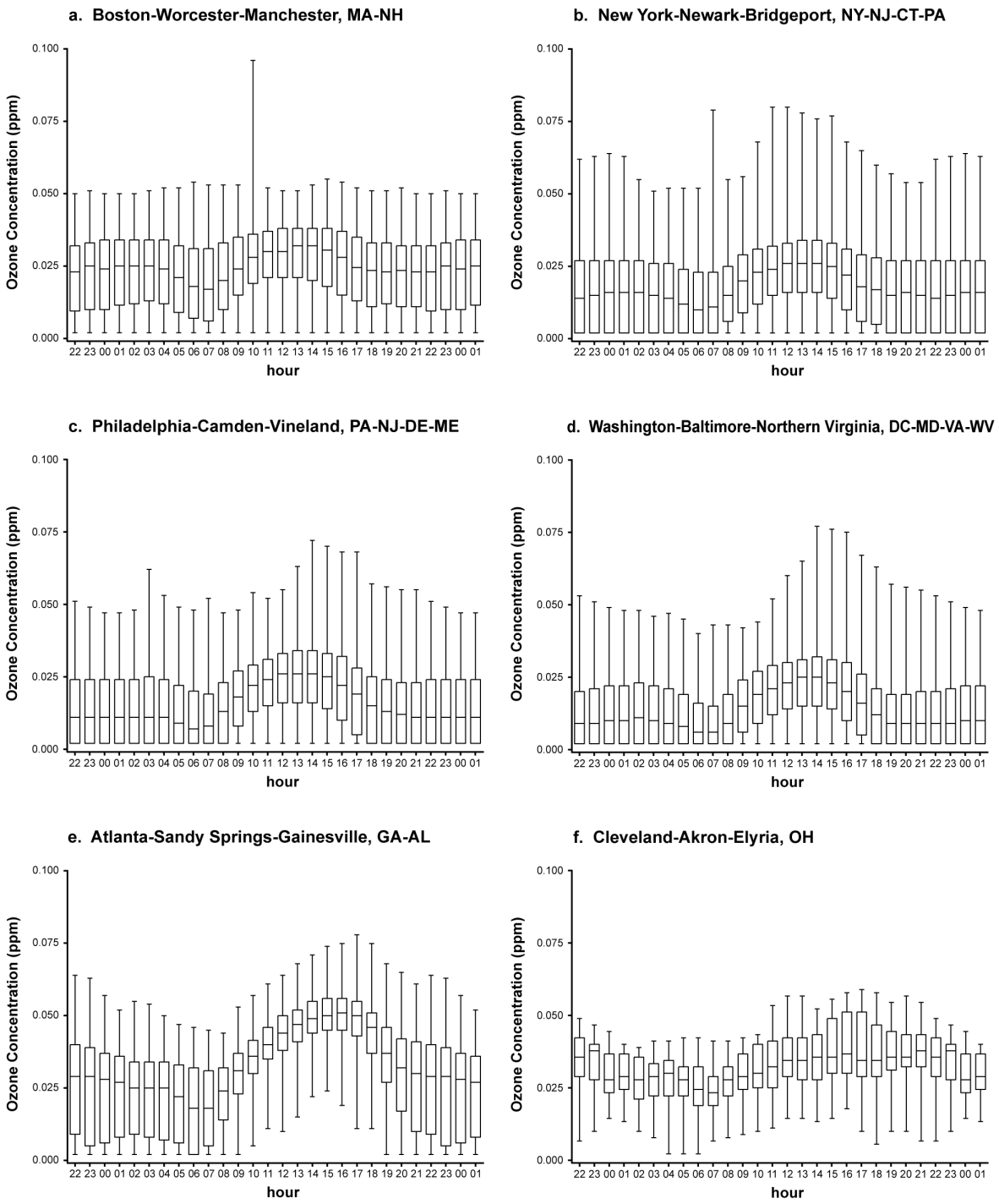

Figure AX3-62a-f. Diurnal variability in 1-h average O_3 concentrations in EPA's 12 cities. Values shown represent averages from November through March, 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers, the minima and maxima.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al., (2005)

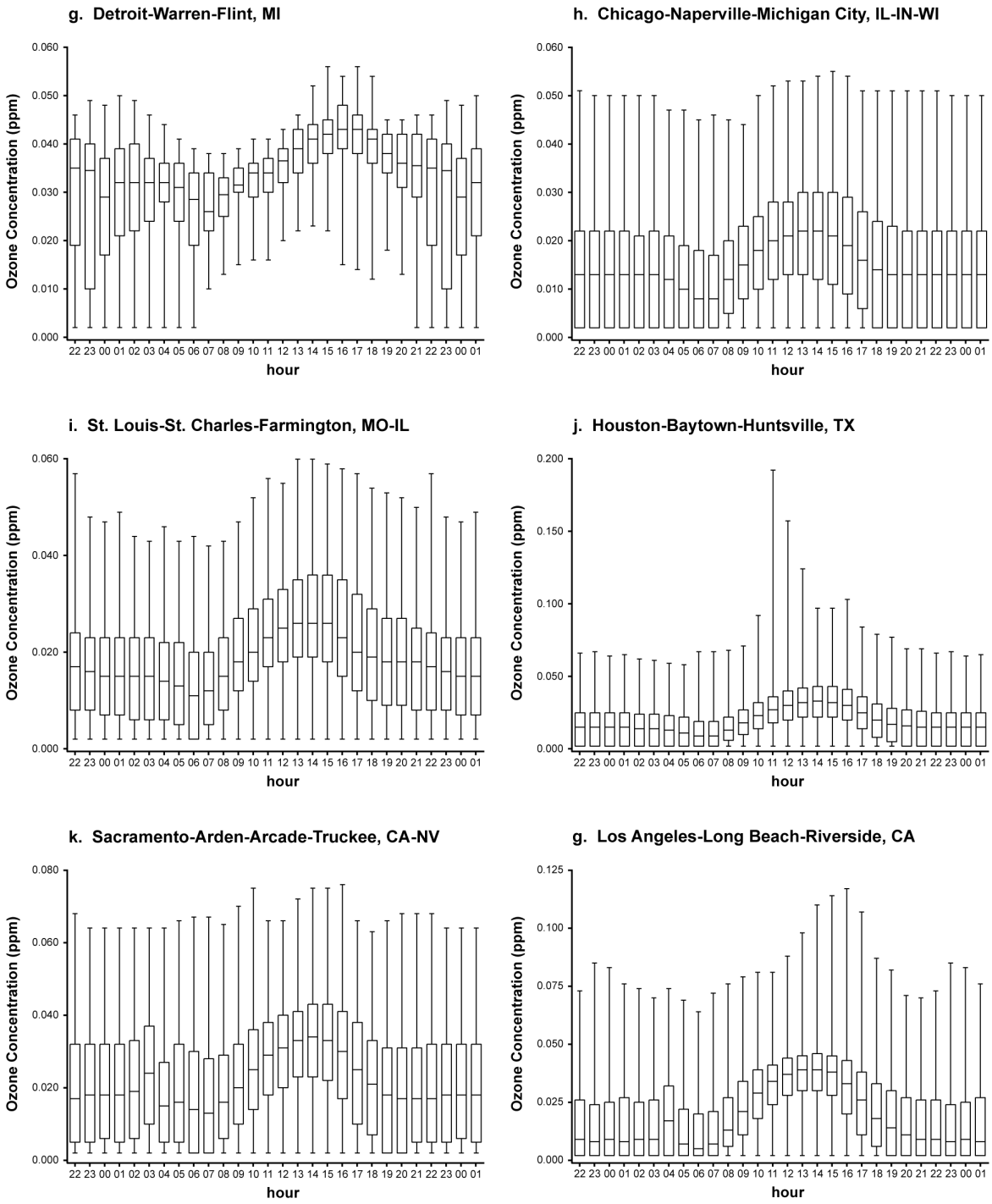

Figure AX3-62g-l. Diurnal variability in 1-h average O_3 concentrations in EPA's 12 cities. Values shown represent averages from November through March, 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers, the minima and maxima.

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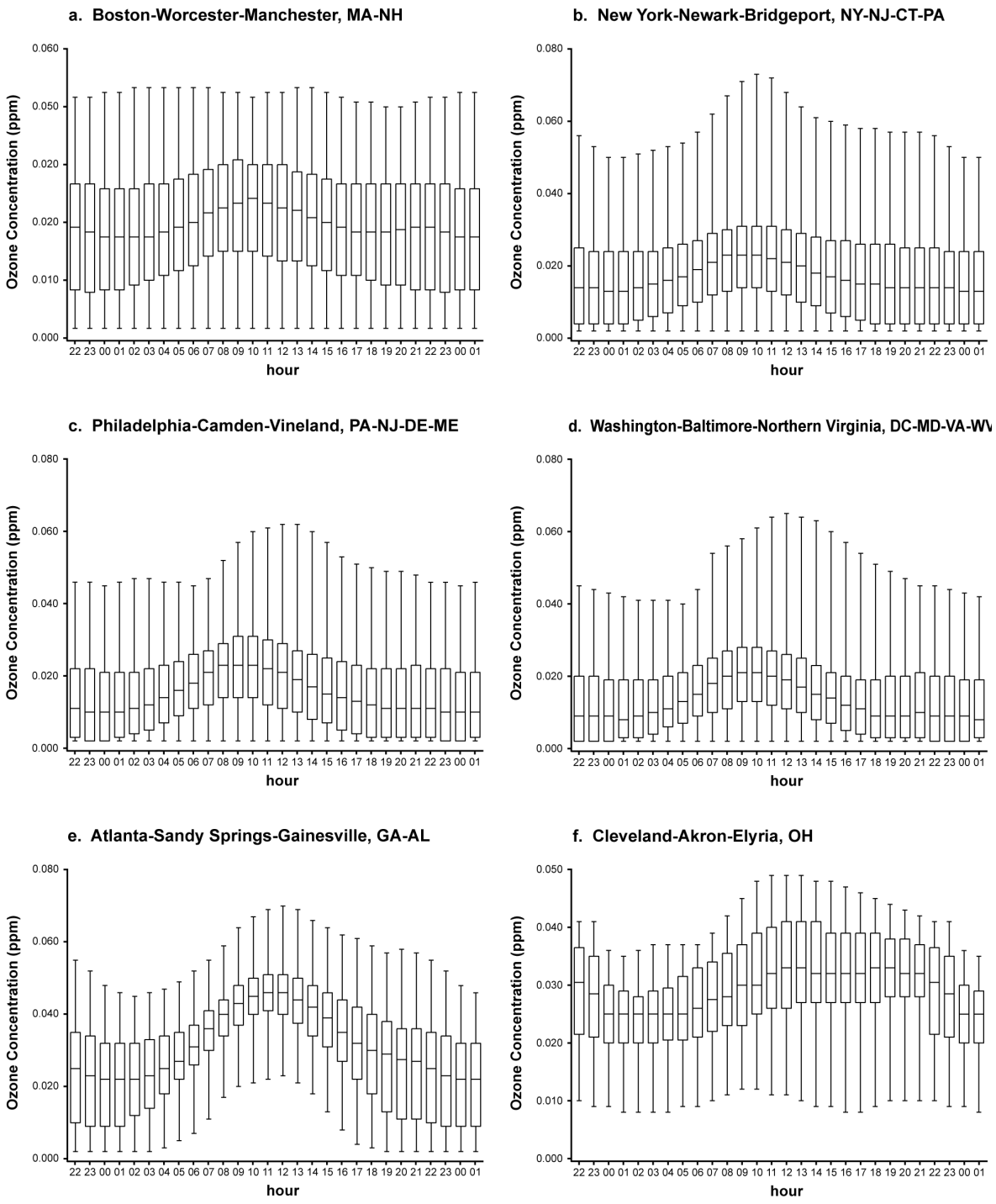

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Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

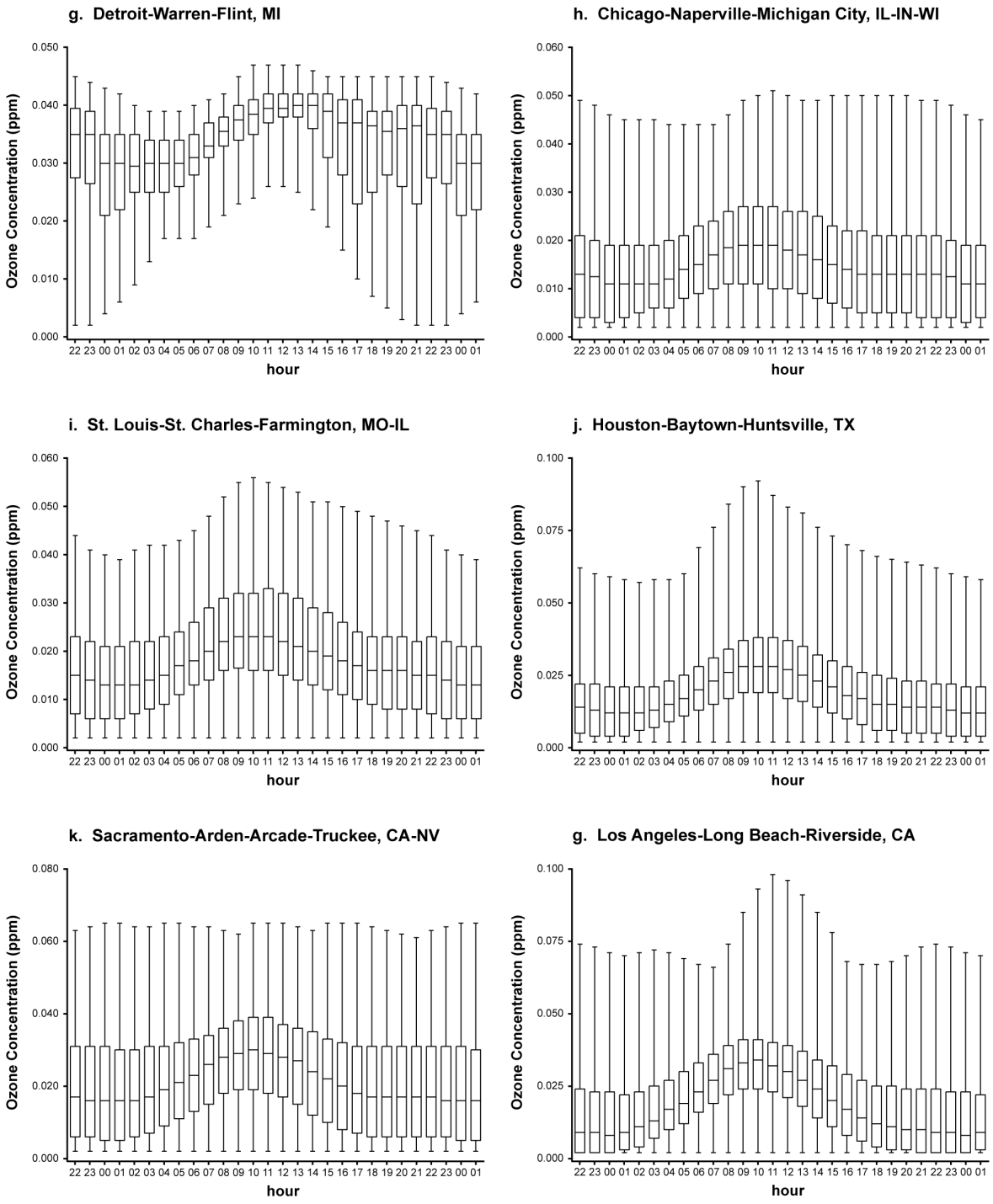

Figure AX3-63g-l. Diurnal variability in 8-h average O_3 concentrations in EPA's 12 cities. Values shown represent averages from November through March, 2000 to 2004. Boxes define the interquartile range and the whiskers, the minima and maxima. The hour refers to the start of the 8-h averaging period.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

AX3.5.2 Seasonal Variations in Nonurban Areas

It is important to characterize the seasons in which the highest O_3 concentrations would be expected to occur in nonurban areas in assessing the effects of O_3 on vegetation. It should not be assumed that highest O_3 concentrations occur at all locations during the summer. For example, places where highest average O_3 concentrations are observed during the spring (i.e., the months of April or May) versus the summer (Evans et al., 1983; Singh et al., 1978; Lefohn et al., 2001) are found at many national parks in the West. Figure AX3-23 shows the hourly average concentrations for Yellowstone National Park (WY) for the period of January to December 2001. Note that, at the Yellowstone National Park site, the highest hourly average concentrations tend to occur during April and May. Lefohn et al. (2001) and Monks (2000) noted that this was also observed for other RRMS in North America and northern Europe.

Differences in the timing of peak O_3 concentrations may be associated with the observations by Logan (1989) that spring and summer O_3 concentrations in rural areas of the eastern United States are severely impacted by anthropogenic, and possibly natural emissions of NO_x and hydrocarbons, and that O_3 episodes occur when the weather is particularly conducive to photochemical formation of O_3. Taylor et al. (1992) reported that the temporal patterns of O_3 during quarterly or annual periods exhibited less definitive patterns at 10 forest sites in North America. Based on the exposure index selected, different patterns were reported. Meagher et al. (1987) reported that for rural O_3 sites in the southeastern United States, the daily maximum 1-h average concentration was found to peak during the summer months. Taylor and Norby (1985)
reported that Shenandoah National Park experienced both the highest frequency of episodes and the highest mean duration of exposure events during the month of July.

Aneja and Li (1992) reported that the maximum monthly O_3 levels at several rural sites occurred in either the spring or the summer (May to August), and the minimum occurred in the fall (September and October). The timing of the maximum monthly values differed across sites and years. However, in 1988, an exceptionally high O_3 concentration year occurred, and the highest monthly average concentration occurred in June for almost all of the five sites investigated. June 1988 was also the month in which the greatest number of O_3 episodes occurred in the eastern United States.

Lefohn et al. (1990a) characterized the O_3 concentrations for several sites in the United States exhibiting low maximum hourly average concentrations. Of the three western national forest sites evaluated by Lefohn et al. (1990a), Apache National Forset (AZ), Custer National Forest (MT), and Ochoco National Forest (OR), only at Apache National Forest (AZ) did maximum monthly mean concentrations occur in the spring. The Apache National Forest site was above mean nocturnal inversion height, and no decrease of concentrations occurred during the evening hours. Highest hourly maximum concentration, as well as the highest W126 O_3 exposures were also found at this site. Most of the maximum monthly mean concentrations occurred in the summer at the other. Maximum monthly mean O_3 concentrations were found at the White River Oil Shale site in Colorado during the spring and summer months.

The W126 sigmoidal weighting exposure index was also used to identify the month of highest O_3 exposure to vegetation. A somewhat more variable pattern was observed than when the maximum monthly average concentration was used. In some cases, the highest W126 exposures occurred earlier in the year than was indicated by the maximum monthly concentration. For example, in 1979, the Custer National Forest site experienced its highest W126 exposure in April, although the maximum monthly mean occurred in August. In 1980, the reverse occurred.

There was no consistent pattern for those sites located in the continental United States. Maximum O_3 exposures during the spring and summer at the Theodore Roosevelt NP, Ochoco, and Custer National Forest sites and the White River Oil Shale site. The sites at which highest O_3 exposures occurred during the period from fall to spring did not necessarily also have the lowest O_3 exposures.

AX3.6 TRENDS IN OZONE CONCENTRATIONS

Evidence for Trends in Ozone Concentrations at Rural Sites in the United States

Year-to-year variability in the nationwide May to September, mean daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations are shown in Figure AX3-64. Data flagged because of quality control issues was removed with concurrence by the local monitoring agency. Only days for which there was 75% data capture (i.e., 18 of 24 hours) were kept, and a minimum of 115 of 153 days (i.e., 75% data capture) were required in each year. Missing years were filled in using simple

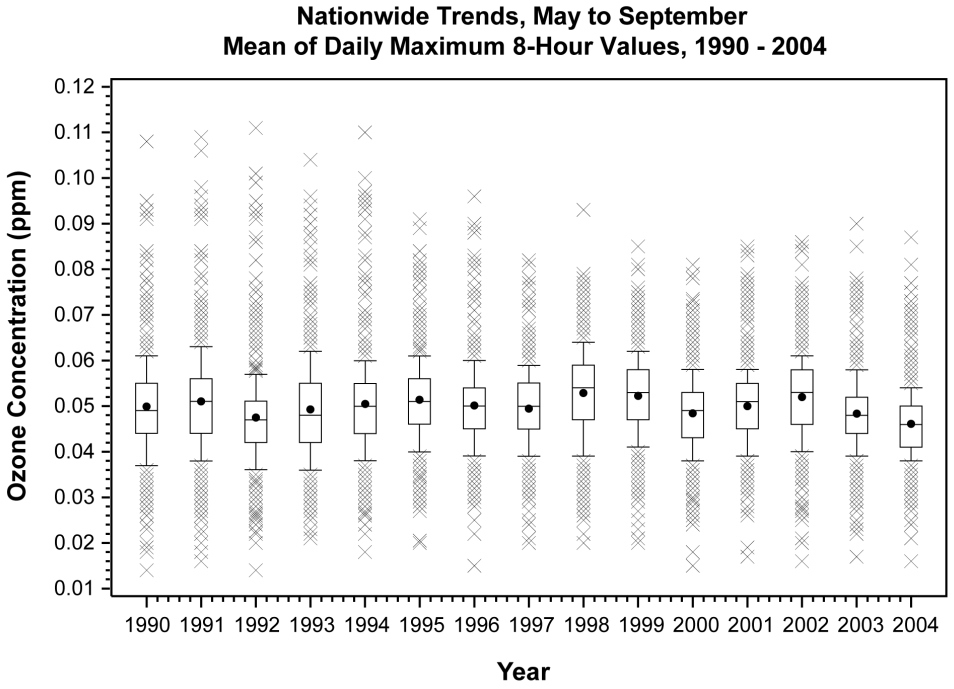

Figure AX3-64. Year-to-year variability in nationwide mean daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations. The whiskers on the box plot represent the 10th and 90th percentile concentrations. The "X"s above and below the whiskers are the values that fall below and above the 10th and 90th percentile concentrations. The dots inside the box represent the mean, for the statistic, at all sites.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

linear interpolation, as done in EPA Trends reports. Year-to-year variability in the corresponding 95th percentile values of the daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations are shown in Figure AX3-65. Sites considered in this analysis are shown in the map in Figure AX3-3. Mean O_3 concentrations were slightly lower in 2003 and 2004 than in earlier years, and as was shown in Figures AX3-1 and AX3-2, most sites are located in the East. The summer of 2003 was slightly cooler than normal in the East (Levinson and Waple, 2004) and the summer of 2004 was much cooler than normal in the East (Levinson, 2005) accounting in part for the dip in O_3 during these 2 years. Trends in compliance metrics such as the fourth highest daily maximum 8-h and the second highest 1-h daily maximum can be found in the EPA Trends reports and so are not repeated here.

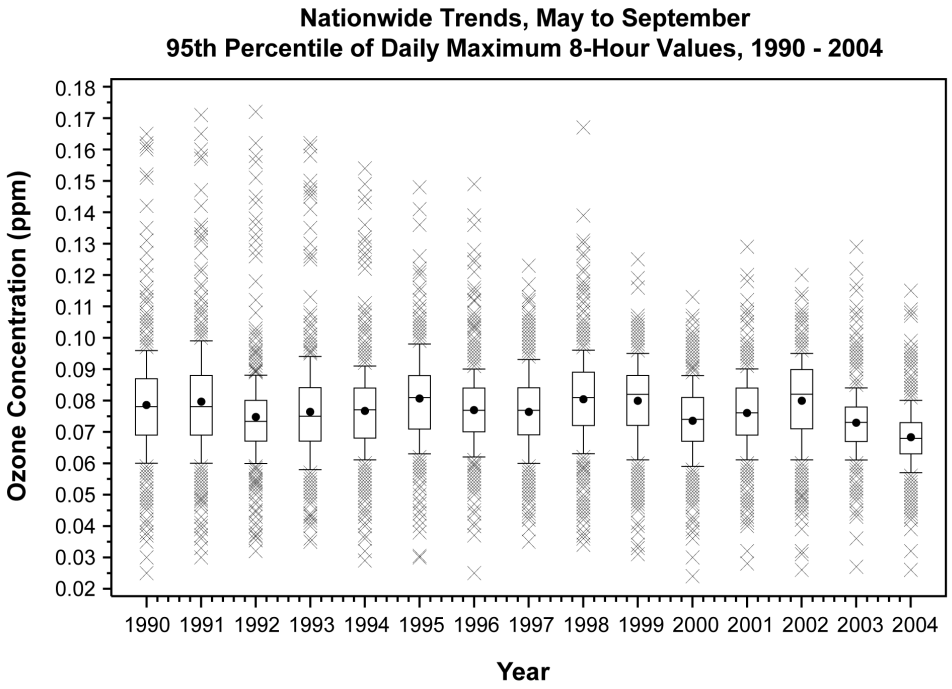

Figure AX3-65. Year-to-year variability in nationwide 95th percentile value of the daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations. The whiskers on the box plot represent the 10th and 90th percentile values for the statistic. The "X"s above and below the whiskers are the values that fall below and above the 10th and 90th percentile values. The dots inside the box represent the mean, for the statistic, at all sites.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

Figures AX3-66a-h show year-to-year variability in mean daily 8-h O_3 concentrations observed at selected national park sites across the United States. Figures AX3-67a-h show year-to-year variability in the 95th percentile value of daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations at the same sites shown in Figures AX3-66a-h. The same criteria used for calculating values in Figures AX3-64 and AX3-65 were used for calculating the May to September seasonal averages for the national parks shown in Figures AX3-66a-h and 67a-h. Trends at these national parks are shown in Table AX3-9. However, several monitoring sites were moved during the period from 1990 to 2004. Sites were moved at Acadia NP in 1996, Joshua Tree NP in 1993, Mammoth Cave NP in 1996, Voyageurs NP in 1996, and Yellowstone NP in 1996 and offsets in O_3 concentrations have resulted. As a result, trends are not shown for these sites.

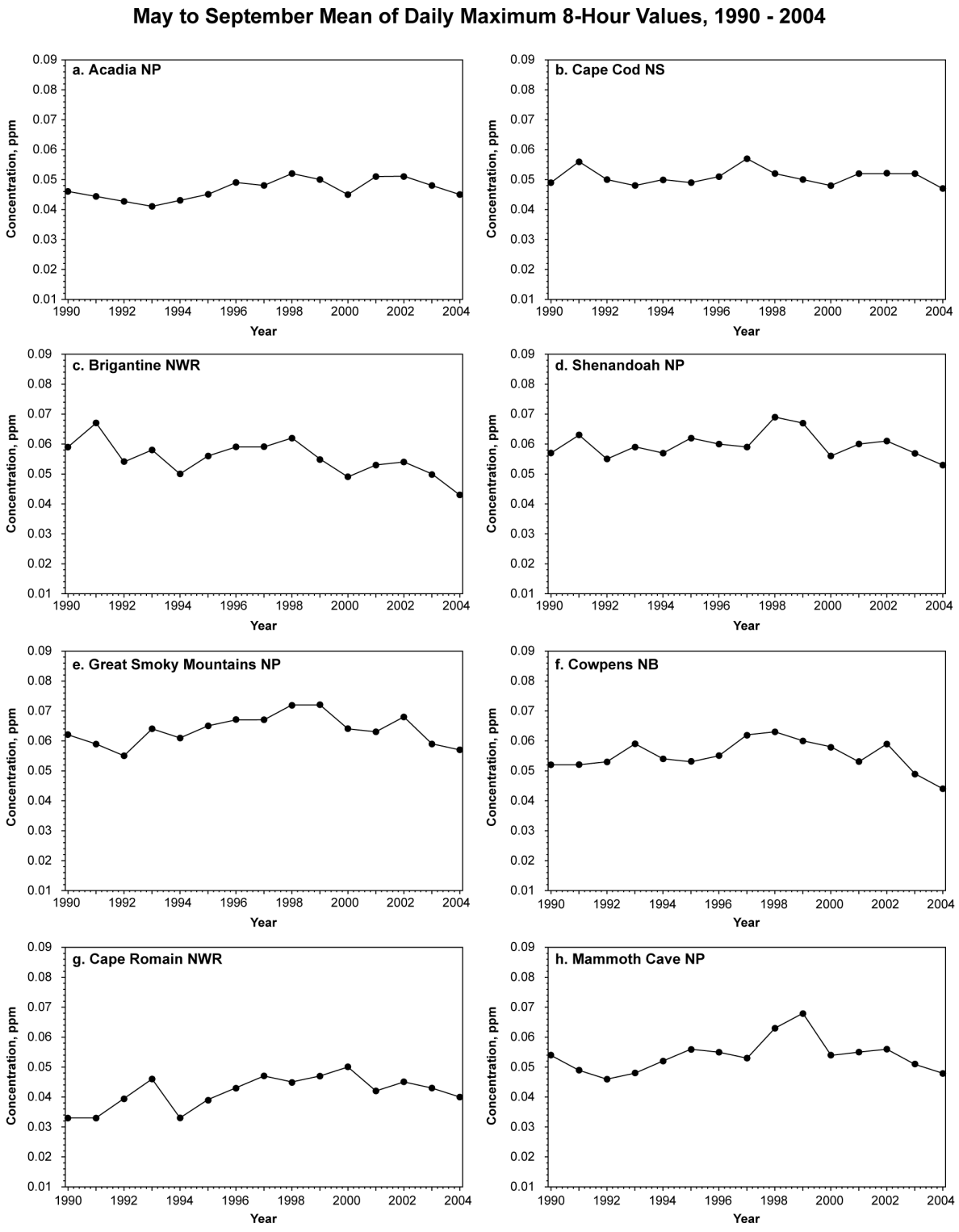

Figure AX3-66a-h. Year-to-year variability in mean daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations at selected national park (NP), national wildlife refuge (NWR), and national monument (NM) sites.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

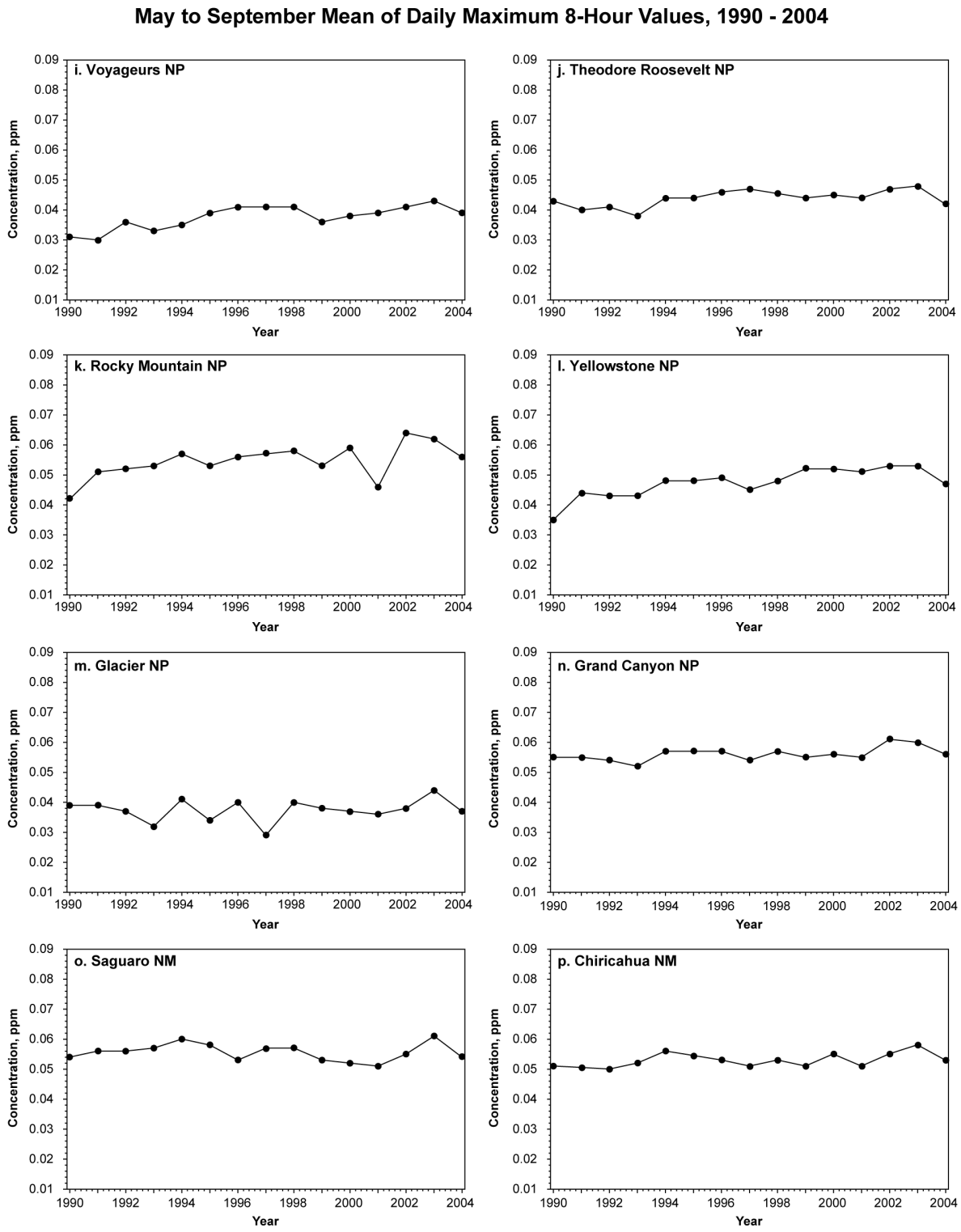

Figure AX3-66i-p. Year-to-year variability in mean daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations at selected national park (NP), national wildlife refuge (NWR), and national monument (NM) sites.

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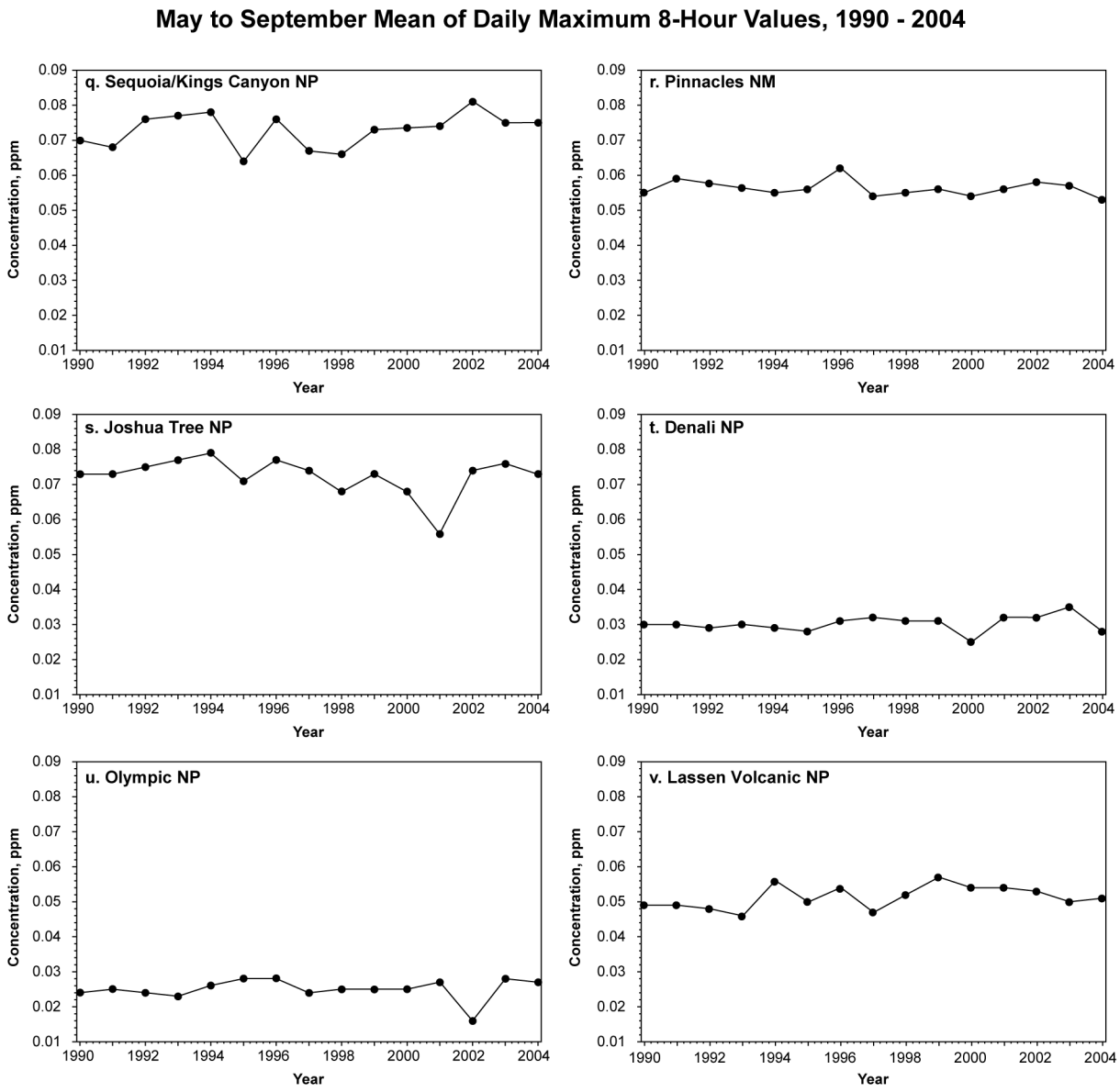

Figure AX3-66q-v. Year-to-year variability in mean daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations at selected national park (NP), national wildlife refuge (NWR), and national monument (NM) sites.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

As noted in The Ozone Report—Measuring Progress through 2003 (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2004b), O_3 trends in national parks in the South and the East are similar to nearby urban areas and reflect the regional nature of O_3 pollution. For example, O_3 trends in

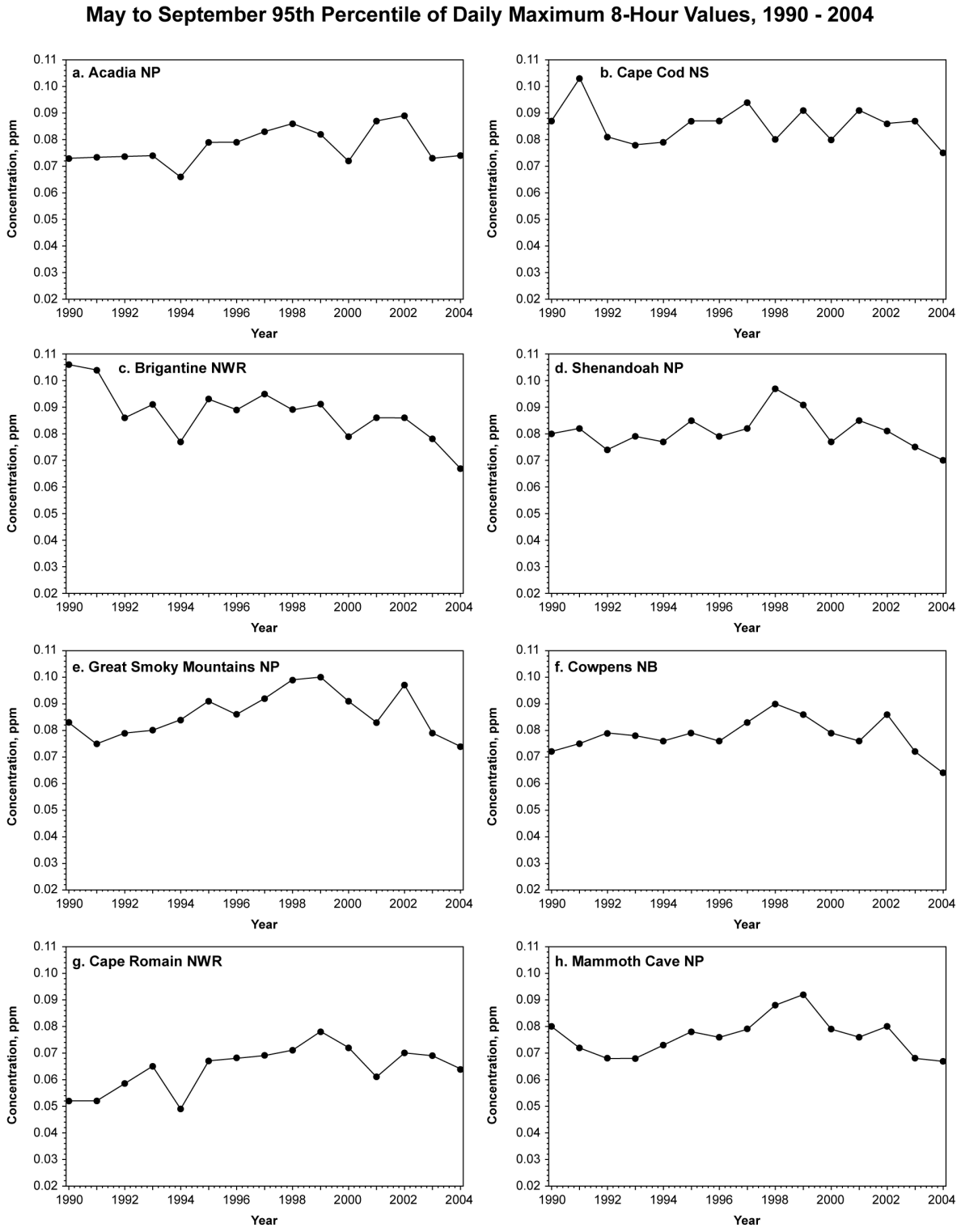

Figure AX3-67a-h. Year-to-year variability in 95th percentile of daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations at selected national park (NP), national wildlife refuge (NWR), and national monument (NM) sites.

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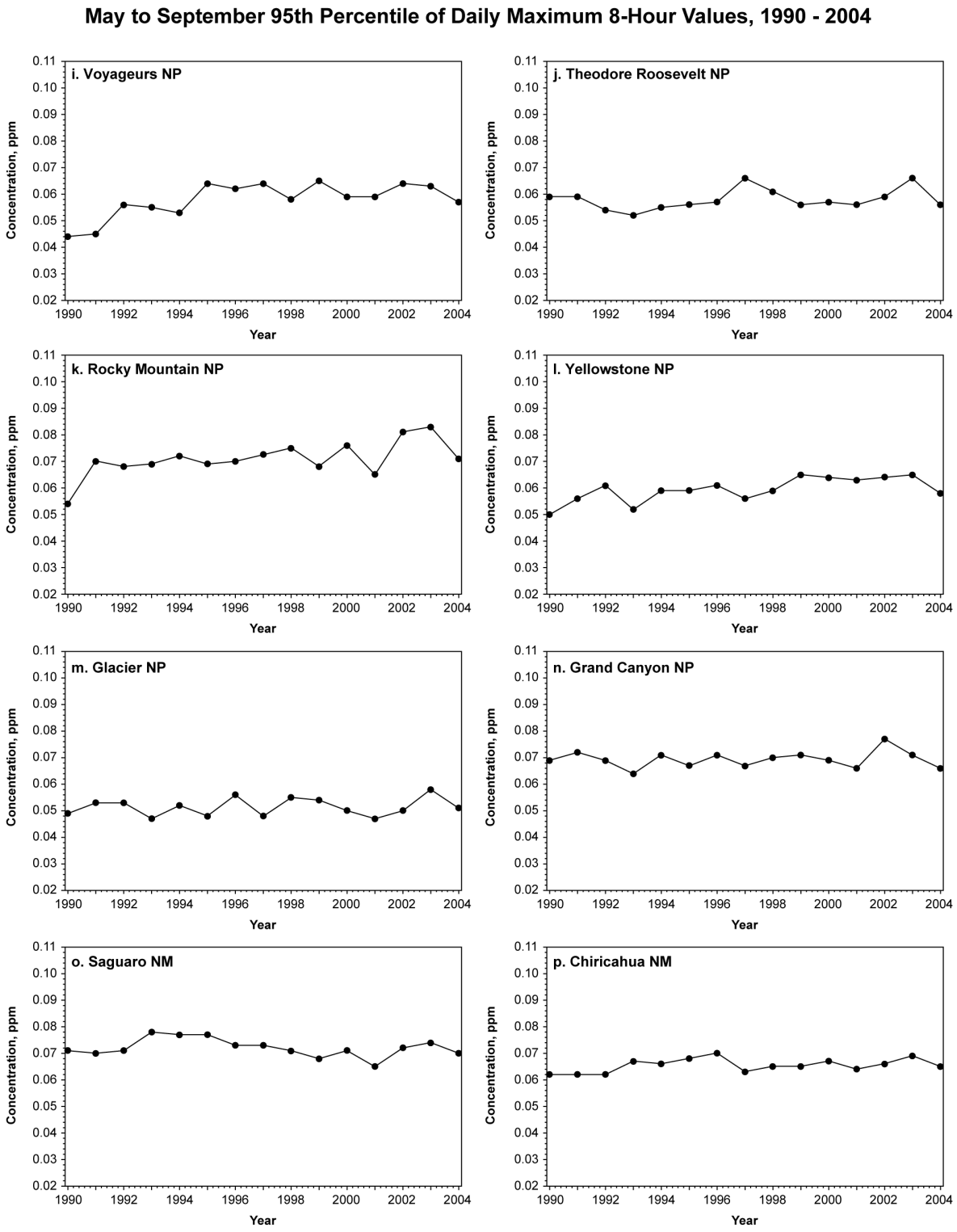

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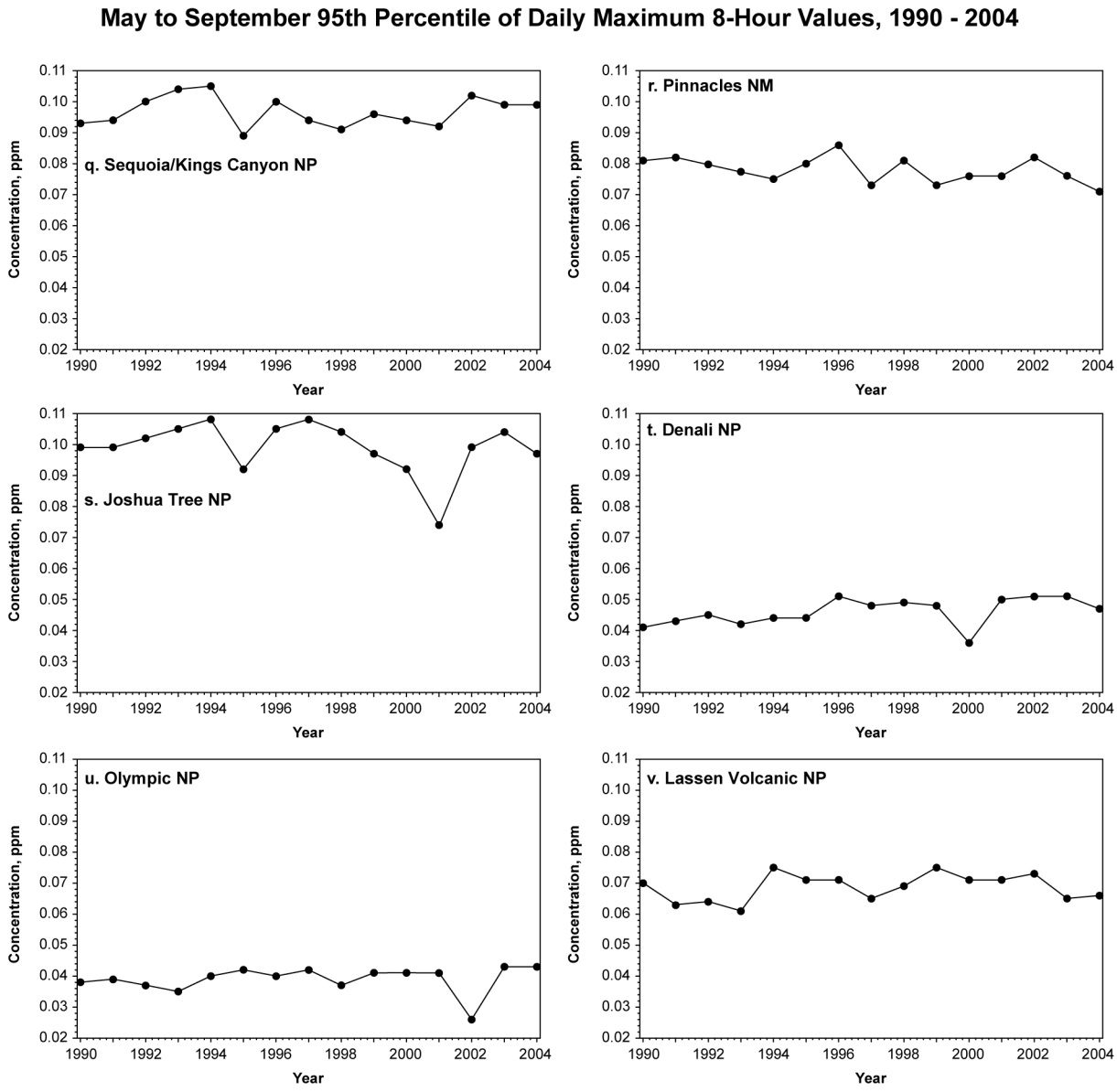

Figure AX3-67q-v. Year-to-year variability in 95th percentile of daily maximum 8-h O_3 concentrations at selected national park (NP), national wildlife refuge (NWR), and national monument (NM) sites.

Source: Fitz-Simons et al. (2005).

Charleston, SC and Charlotte, NC track those in nearby Cowpens NP and Cape Romaine NP in South Carolina; O_3 in Knoxville and Nashville, TN tracks O_3 in Great Smoky NP; O_3 in Philadelphia, PA and Baltimore, MD tracks Brigantine NP in New Jersey; and New York, NY

Table AX3-9. Trends in Warm Season (May to September) Daily Maximum 8-h O_3 Concentrations at National Parks in the United States (1990 to 2004). Trends are given as ppb yr^{-1}.

	Mean		P 95		P 98	
Site	**trend**	**p–value**	**trend**	**p–value**	**trend**	**p–value**
Acadia NP (ME)	0.040[1]	0.037	1.0[1]	0.037	−0.2	0.349
Brigantine NWR (NJ)	−0.80[2]	0.014	−1.7[2]	0.004	−1.9[2]	0.003
Cape Cod NS (MA)	0	0.423	0	0.349	−0.5	0.19
Cape Romain NWR (SC)	0.7[1]	0.046	1.0[1]	0.01	1.0	0.07
Chiricahua NM (AZ)	0.22[1]	0.046	0.2	0.084	0.15	0.218
Cowpens NB (SC)	0	0.423	0.1	0.349	0.4	0.349
Denali NP (AK)	0.17	0.12	0.6[1]	0.01	0.6[1]	0.002
Glacier NP (MT)	0	0.5	0.1	0.349	0.27	0.19
Grand Canyon NP (AZ)	0.25	0.07	0	0.5	0.13	0.218
Great Smoky Mountains NP (NC-TN)	0.29	0.248	0.9	0.19	0.4	0.423
Joshua Tree NP (CA)[3]	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lassen Volcanic NP (CA)	0.25	0.141	0.2	0.19	0	0.5
Mammoth Cave NP (KY)[3]	—	—	—	—	—	—
Olympic NP (WA)	0.14	0.141	0.3[1]	0.037	0.2	0.19
Pinnacles NM (CA)	−0.1	0.218	−0.5	0.07	−0.56	0.057
Rocky Mountain NP (CO)	0.91[1]	0.004	1.0[1]	0.014	0.88	0.07
Saguaro NM (AZ)	−0.2	0.279	−0.3	0.19	−0.38	0.141
Sequoia/Kings Canyon NP (CA)	0.38	0.218	0	0.461	0	0.539
Shenandoah NP (VA)	0	0.461	−0.2	0.385	0.33	0.279
Theodore Roosevelt NP (ND)	0.38[1]	0.023	0.2	0.19	0.2	0.141
Voyageurs NP (MN)[3]	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yellowstone NP (WY)[3]	—	—	—	—	—	—

[1] Upward trend, significant at p = 0.05 level.
[2] Downward trend, significant at p = 0.05 level.
[3] Site moved. See text for details.

and Hartford, CT track O_3 in Cape Cod NS. The situation is not as clear in the West, where national parks are affected differently by pollution sources that are located at varying distances away (e.g., Lassen Volcanic National Park and Yosemite National Park, CA). However, data obtained at these sites still provide valuable information about the variability in regional background concentrations, especially since the West has not been broken down into regions as has been done by Lehman et al. (2004) and shown in Figure AX3-7.

Caution should be exercised in using trends calculated at national parks to infer contributions from distant sources either inside or outside of North America, because of the influence of local and regional pollution. For example, using a 15-year record of O_3 from Lassen Volcanic National Park, a rural elevated site in northern California; data from two aircraft campaigns; and observations spanning 18 years from five U.S. West Coast, marine boundary layer sites, Jaffe et al. (2003) reported that O_3 in air arriving from the eastern Pacific in spring has increased by approximately 10 ppb from the mid-1980s. They concluded that this positive trend is due to increases of emissions of O_3 precursors in Asia. They found positive trends in O_3 in all seasons. They also noted that diurnal variations during summer were about 21 ppb, but only about 6 ppb during spring. Although Lassen Volcanic National Park site is not close to any major emission sources or urban centers, the site experiences maximum hourly average O_3 concentrations above 0.080 ppm during April to May and above 0.100 ppm during the summer (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2003a), suggesting local photochemical production, at least during summer. However, local springtime photochemical production cannot be ruled out. The authors suggested that the likely cause for the spring increases is transport from Asia, because emissions of precursors have decreased in California over the monitoring period. The springtime increases appears to be inconsistent with the summer increases, when there is evidence for the occurrence of more localized photochemical activity. Although emissions of O_3 precursors may have decreased in California as a whole over the monitoring period, there still may be regional increases in areas that could affect air quality in Lassen.

AX3.7 RELATIONS BETWEEN OZONE, OTHER OXIDANTS, AND OXIDATION PRODUCTS

Tables of measurements of PAN and peroxypropionyl nitrate (PPN, $CH_3CH_2C(O)OONO_2$) concentrations were given in the 1996 O_3 AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a). Measurements were summarized for rural and urban areas in the United States, Canada, France, Greece, and Brazil. The use of measurements from aboard serve to illustrate or support certain U.S. results as well as to demonstrate the widespread presence of PANs in the atmosphere. Additional data for H_2O_2 were also presented in the 1996 O_3 AQCD. Data for these species are obtained as part of specialized field studies and not as part of routine monitoring operations and thus are highly limited in their ranges of applicability. As a result, it is difficult to relate the concentrations of O_3, other oxidants, and oxidation products on the basis of rather sparse data sets. This information is simply not available for a large number of environments. Instead, it might be more instructive to examine the relations between O_3 and other products of atmospheric reactions on the basis of current understanding of atmospheric photochemical processes.

In order to understand co-occurrence between atmospheric species, an important distinction must be made between primary (directly emitted) species and secondary (photochemically produced) species. In general, it is more likely that primary species will be more highly correlated with each other, and that secondary species will be more highly correlated with each other than will species from mixed classes. By contrast, primary and secondary species are less likely to be correlated with each other. Secondary reaction products tend to correlate with each other, but there is considerable variation. Some species (e.g., O_3 and organic nitrates) are closely related photochemically and correlate with each other strongly. Others (e.g., O_3 and H_2O_2) show a more complex correlation pattern.

Although NO_2 is produced mainly by the reaction of directly emitted NO with O_3 with some contributions from direct emissions, in practice, it behaves like a primary species. The timescale for conversion of NO to NO_2 is fast (5 min or less), so NO and NO_2 ambient concentrations rapidly approach values determined by the photochemical steady state. The sum NO + NO_2 (NO_x) behaves like a typical primary species, while NO and NO_2 reflect some additional complexity based on photochemical interconversion. As a primary species, NO_2 generally does not correlate with O_3 in urban environments. In addition, chemical interactions

among O_3, NO and NO_2 have the effect of converting O_3 to NO_2 and vice versa, which can result in a significant anti-correlation between O_3 and NO_2.

Organic nitrates consist of PAN, a number of higher-order species with photochemistry similar to PAN (e.g., PPN), and species such as alkyl nitrates with somewhat different photochemistry. These species are produced by a photochemical process very similar to that of O_3. Photochemical production is initiated by the reaction of primary and secondary VOCs with OH radicals, the resulting organic radicals subsequently react with NO_2 (producing PAN and analogous species) or with NO (producing alkyl nitrates). The same sequence (with organic radicals reacting with NO) leads to the formation of O_3.

In addition, at warm temperatures, the concentration of PAN forms a photochemical steady state with its radical precursors on a timescale of roughly 30 minutes. This steady state value increases with the ambient concentration of O_3 (Sillman et al., 1990). Ozone and PAN may show different seasonal cycles, because they are affected differently by temperature. Ambient O_3 increases with temperature, driven in part by the photochemistry of PAN (see description above). By contrast, the photochemical lifetime of PAN decreases rapidly with increasing temperature. The ratio O_3/PAN should show seasonal changes, with highest ratios in summer, although there is no evidence from measurements. Measured ambient concentrations (Figures AX3-68a-d) show a strong correlation between O_3 and PAN, and between O_3 and other organic nitrates (Pippin et al., 2001; Roberts et al., 1998).

Individual primary VOCs are generally highly correlated with each other and with NO_x (Figure AX3-69). A summary of the results of a number of field studies of the concentrations of precursors including NO_x and nonmethane organic compounds (NMOCs) are summarized in the 1996 O_3 AQCD.

Formation of H_2O_2 takes place by self-reaction of photochemically generated HO_2 radicals, so that there is large seasonal variation of H_2O_2 concentrations and values in excess of 1 ppb are mainly limited to the summer months (Kleinman, 1991). Although H_2O_2 is produced from photochemistry that is closely related to O_3, it does not show a consistent pattern of correlation with O_3. Hydrogen peroxide is produced in abundance along with O_3 only when O_3 is produced under NO_x-limited conditions. When the photochemistry is NO_x-saturated much less H_2O_2 is produced. In addition, increasing NO_x tends to slow the formation of H_2O_2 under NO_x-limited conditions.

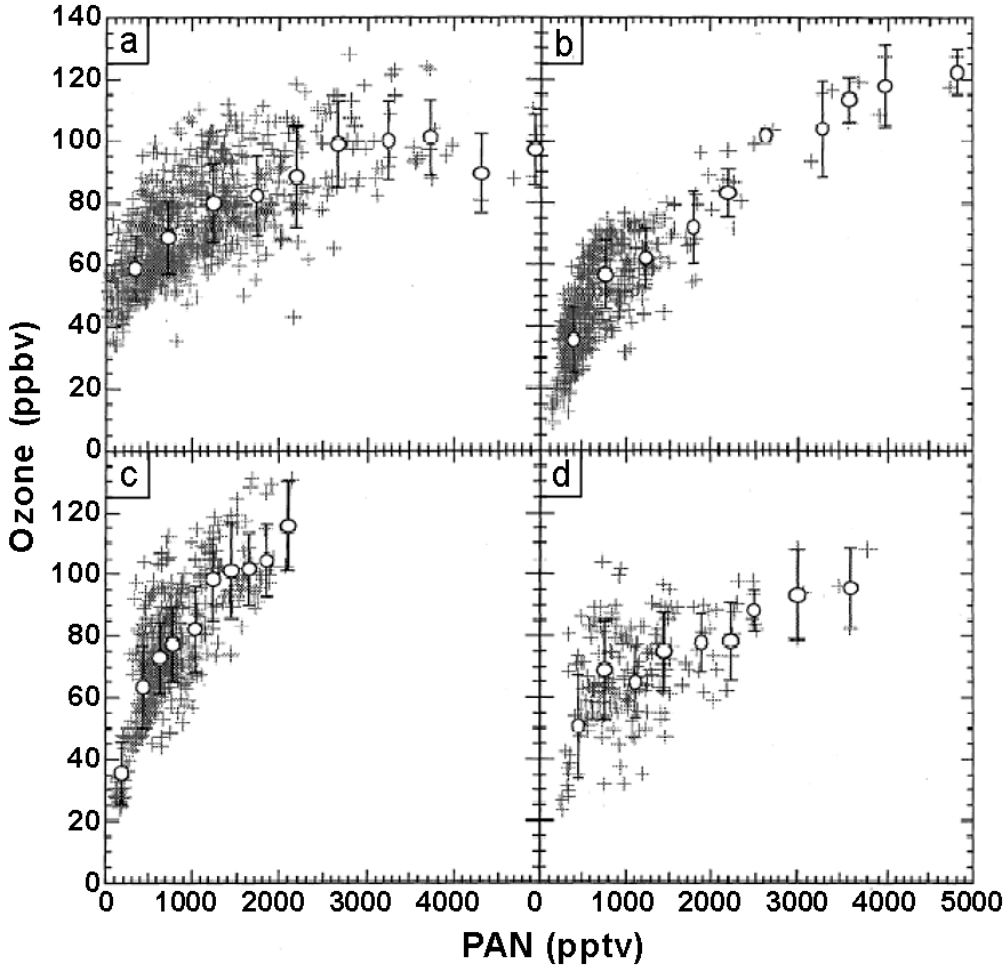

Figure AX3-68a-d. Measured O_3 (ppbv) versus PAN (pptv) in Tennessee, including (a) aircraft measurements, and (b, c, and d) suburban sites near Nashville.

Source: Roberts et al. (1998).

Measurements of gas phase peroxides in the atmosphere were reviewed by Lee et al. (2000). Ground level measurements of H_2O_2 taken during the 1970s indicated values of 180 ppb in Riverside, CA and 10 to 20 ppb during smog episodes in Claremont and Riverside, with values approaching 100 ppb in forest fire plumes. However, later surface measurements always found much lower values. For example, in measurements made in Los Angeles and nearby areas in the 1980s, peak values were always less than about 2 ppb and in a methods intercomparison

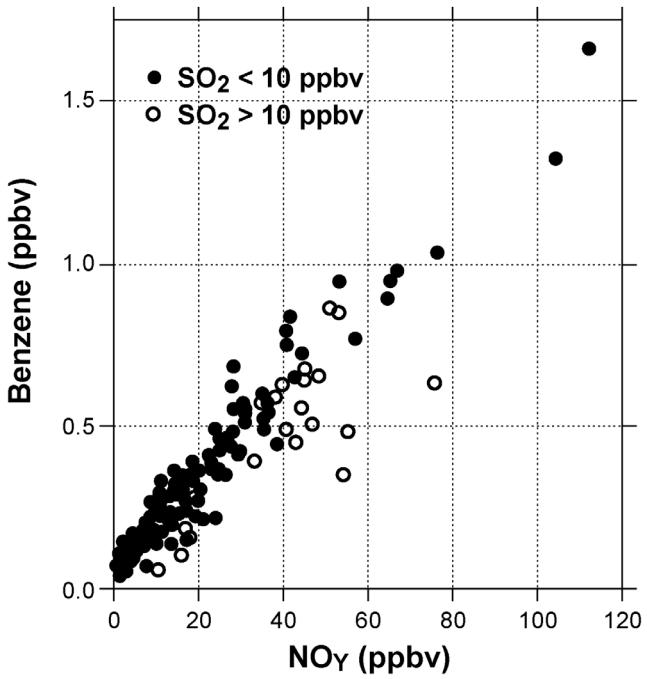

Figure AX3-69. Measured correlation between benzene and NO_y at a measurement site in Boulder, CO. Instances with SO_2 >10 ppb are identified separately (open circles), because these may reflect different emission sources.

Source: Goldan et al. (1995).

study in Research Triangle Park, NC in June 1986, concentrations were <2.5 ppbv. Higher values ranging up to 5 ppb were found in a few other studies in Kinterbish, Alabama and Meadview, Arizona. Several of these studies found strong diurnal variations (typically about a factor three) with maximum values in the mid-afternoon and minimum values in the early morning. Mean concentrations of organic hydroperoxides at the surface at Niwot Ridge, CO in the summer of 1988 and State Park, GA during the summer of 1991 were all less than a few ppb.

Early aircraft measurements of H_2O_2 over the eastern United States were reported by Heikes et al. (1987). More recent aircraft measurements of hydroperoxide (H_2O_2, CH_3OOH and $HOCH_2OOH$) concentrations were made as part of the Southern Oxidants Study intensive campaign in Nashville, TN in July 1995 (Weinstein-Lloyd et al., 1998). The median concentration of total hydroperoxides in the boundary layer between 1100 and 1400 CDT was about 5 ppbv, with more than 50% contribution from organic hydroperoxides. Median O_3 was

about 70 ppbv at the same time. The concentrations of the hydroperoxides depended strongly on wind direction. For example, values were about 40% lower when winds originated from the N/NW as opposed to the S/SW.

Elevated O_3 is generally accompanied by elevated HNO_3, although the correlation is not as strong as between O_3 and organic nitrates. Ozone often correlates with HNO_3, because they have the same precursor (NO_x). However, HNO_3 can be produced in significant quantities in winter, even when O_3 is low. The ratio between O_3 and HNO_3 also shows great variation in air pollution events, with NO_x-saturated environments having much lower ratios of O_3 to HNO_3 (Ryerson et al., 2001). Aerosol nitrate is formed primarily by the combination of nitrate (supplied by HNO_3) with ammonia, and may be limited by the availability of either nitrate or ammonia. Nitrate is expected to correlate loosely with O_3 (see above), whereas ammonia is not expected to correlate with O_3.

In addition to nitrate, other oxidants are present in airborne cloud droplets, rain drops and particulate matter. Measurements of hydroperoxides, summarized by Reeves and Penkett (2003), are available mainly for hydrometeors, but are sparse for ambient particles. Venkatachari et al. (2005a) sampled the concentrations of total reactive oxygen species (ROS) in particles using a cascade impactor in Rubidoux, CA during July 2003. Although the species constituting ROS were not identified, the results were reported in terms of equivalent H_2O_2 concentrations. Unlike O_3 and gas phase H_2O_2 which show strong diurnal variability (i.e., about a factor of three variation between afternoon maximum and early morning minimum), the diurnal variation of particle phase ROS was found to be much weaker (i.e., less than about 20%) at least for the time between 8 a.m. and midnight. Because the ROS were measured in the fine aerosol size fraction, which has a lifetime with respect to deposition of much greater than a day, little loss is expected but their concentrations might also be expected to increase because of nighttime chemistry, perhaps involving NO_3 radicals. The concentration of ROS, expressed as equivalent H_2O_2 (5.2 to 6.1 $\times$ 10^{-7} M/m^3, ranged from 20% to 100% that of O_3 (diurnal average: 30%), with highest values at night. The ratio was likely higher at the early morning minimum for O_3. In a companion study conducted in Queens, NY during January and early February 2004, Venkatachari et al. (2005b) found much lower concentrations of ROS of about 1 $\times$ 10^{-7} M/m^3. However, O_3 levels were also substantially lower leading to ROS concentrations about 20% those of O_3. It is of interest to note that gas phase OH concentrations measured at the same time

ranged from about $7.5 \times 10^4/cm^3$ to about $1.8 \times 10^6/cm^3$, implying the presence of significant photochemical activity even in New York City during winter.

Peroxyacetylnitrate (PAN) is produced during the photochemical oxidation of a wide range of VOCs in the presence of NO_x. It is removed by thermal decomposition and also by uptake to vegetation (Sparks et al., 2003; Teklemariam and Sparks, 2004). PAN is the dominant member of the broader family of peroxyacylnitrates (PANs), which includes as other significant atmospheric components peroxypropionyl nitrate (PPN) of anthropogenic origin and peroxymethacrylic nitrate (MPAN) produced from oxidation of isoprene. Measurements and models show that PAN in the United States includes major contributions from both anthropogenic and biogenic VOC precursors (Horowitz et al., 1998; Roberts et al., 1998). Measurements in Nashville during the 1999 summertime Southern Oxidants Study (SOS) showed PPN and MPAN amounting to 14% and 25% of PAN, respectively (Roberts et al., 2002). Measurements during the TexAQS 2000 study in Houston indicated PAN concentrations of up to 6.5 ppbv (Roberts et al., 2003). PAN measurements in southern California during the SCOS97-NARSTO study indicated peak concentrations of 5-10 ppbv, which can be contrasted to values of 60-70 ppbv measured back in 1960 (Grosjean, 2003). Vertical profiles measured from aircraft over the United States and off the Pacific coasts show PAN concentrations above the boundary layer of only a few hundred pptv, although there are significant enhancements associated with long-range transport of pollution plumes including from Asia (Kotchenruther et al., 2001a; Roberts et al., 2004). Decomposition of this anthropogenic PAN as it subsides over North America can lead to significant O_3 production, enhancing the O_3 background (Kotchenruther et al., 2001b; Hudman et al., 2004).

Relations between primary and secondary components discussed above are illustrated by considering data for O_3 and $PM_{2.5}$. Ozone and $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations observed at a monitoring site in Fort Meade, MD are plotted as binned means in Figure AX3-70. These data were collected between July 1999 and July 2001. As can be seen from the figure, $PM_{2.5}$ tends to be anti-correlated with O_3 to the left of the inflection point (at about 30 ppbv O_3) and $PM_{2.5}$ tends to be positively correlated with O_3 to the right of the inflection point. Data to the left of the minimum in $PM_{2.5}$ were collected mainly during the cooler months of the year, while data to the right of the minimum were collected during the warmer months. This situation arises because $PM_{2.5}$ contains a large secondary component during the summer and has a larger primary component

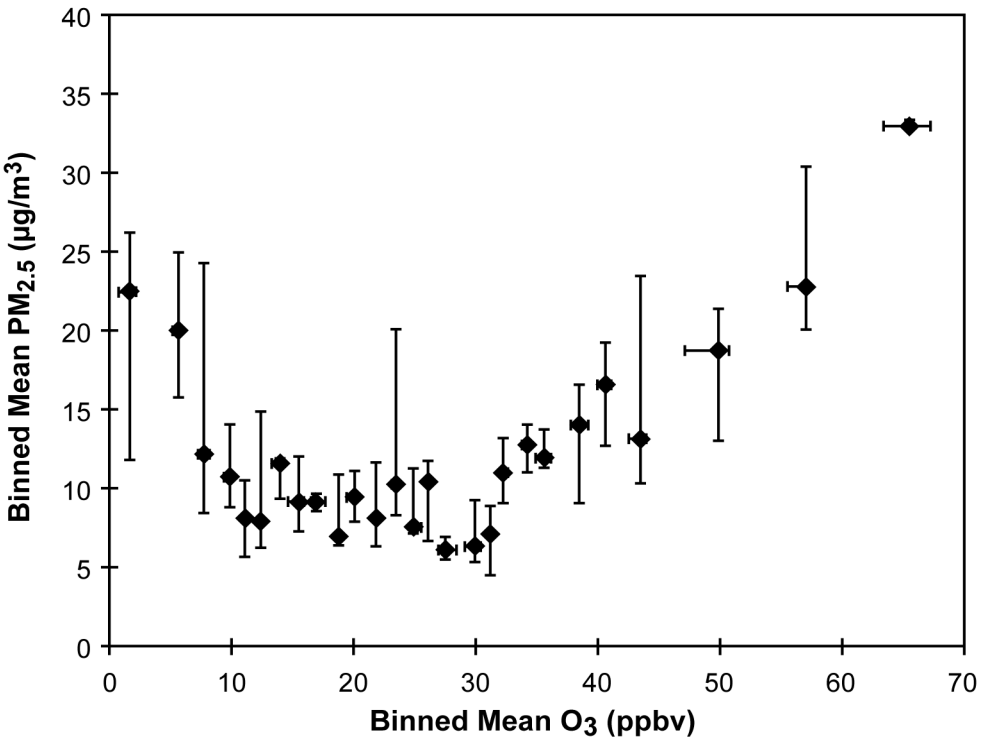

Figure AX3-70. Binned mean $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations versus binned mean O_3 concentrations observed at Fort Meade, MD from July 1999 to July 2001.

Source: Chen (2002).

during winter. During the winter, O_3 comes mainly from the free troposphere, above the planetary boundary layer and, thus, may be considered a tracer for relatively clean air. Unfortunately, data for $PM_{2.5}$ and O_3 are collected concurrently at relatively few sites in the United States throughout an entire year, so these results, while highly instructive are not readily extrapolated to areas where appreciable photochemical activity occurs throughout the year. Ito et al. (2005) showed the relation between PM_{10} and O_3 on a personal basis in several urban areas (cf., Figure 7-24). Although PM_{10} contains proportionately more primary material than does $PM_{2.5}$, relations similar to those shown in Figure AX3-70 are found, reflecting the dominant contribution from $PM_{2.5}$ to PM_{10}.

AX3.8 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SURFACE OZONE AND OTHER POLLUTANTS

AX3.8.1 Introduction

Several attempts have been made to characterize gaseous air pollutant mixtures (Lefohn and Tingey, 1984; Lefohn et al., 1987). The characterization of co-occurrence patterns under ambient conditions is important for relating human health and vegetation effects to controlled chamber studies and to ambient conditions. Lefohn et al. (1987) discussed the various patterns of pollutant exposures. Pollutant combinations can occur at or above a threshold concentration either together or temporally separated from one another. Patterns that show air pollutant pairs appearing at the same hour of the day at concentrations equal to or greater than a minimum hourly mean value were defined as simultaneous-only daily co-occurrences. When pollutant pairs occurred at or above a minimum concentration during the 24-h period, without occurring during the same hour, a "sequential-only" co-occurrence was defined. During a 24-h period, if the pollutant pair occurred at or above the minimum level at the same hour of the day and at different hours during the period, the co-occurrence pattern was defined as "complex-sequential."

For characterizing the different types of co-occurrence patterns for O_3/NO_2, O_3/SO_2, and NO_2/SO_2, Lefohn and Tingey (1984) used a 0.05 ppm threshold to identify the number of hourly simultaneous-only co-occurrences for the period May through September at a large number of air quality urban monitoring sites along with rural sites. The selection of a 0.05-ppm threshold concentration was based on vegetation effects considerations. Data used in the analysis included hourly averaged (1) Environmental Protection Agency Storage and Retrieval of Aerometric Data (SAROAD; now AQS) data for 1981, (2) EPRI-SURE and Eastern Regional Air Quality Study (ERAQS) data for 1978 and 1979, and (3) Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) data from 1979 to 1982. Lefohn and Tingey (1984) concluded, for the pollutant combinations, that (1) the co-occurrence of two-pollutant mixtures lasted only a few hours per episode and (2) the time interval between episodes was generally large (weeks, sometimes months).

Lefohn et al. (1987), using a 0.03-ppm threshold, grouped air quality data from rural and RRMS (as characterized in the EPA database) within a 24-h period starting at 0000 hours and ending at 2359 hours. Data were analyzed for the May to September period. Data used in the

analysis included hourly averaged (1) Environmental Protection Agency AQS (SAROAD) data from 1978 to 1982, (2) EPRI-SURE and –ERAQS data for 1978 and 1979, and (3) TVA data from 1979 to 1982. Patterns that showed air pollutant pairs appearing at the same hour of the day at concentrations equal to or greater than a minimum hourly mean value were defined as simultaneous-only daily co-occurrences. When pollutant pairs occurred at or above a minimum concentration during the 24-h period, without occurring during the same hour, a "sequential-only" co-occurrence was defined. During a 24-h period, if the pollutant pair occurred at or above the minimum level at the same hour of the day and at different hours during the period, the co-occurrence pattern was defined as "complex-sequential." A co-occurrence was not indicated if one pollutant exceeded the minimum concentration just before midnight and the other pollutant exceeded the minimum concentration just after midnight. As will be discussed below, studies of the joint occurrence of gaseous NO_2/O_3 and SO_2/O_3 reached two conclusions: (1) hourly simultaneous and daily simultaneous-only co-occurrences are fairly rare and (2) when co-occurrences are present, complex-sequential and sequential-only co-occurrence patterns predominate. The authors reported that year-to-year variability was found to be insignificant; most of the monitoring sites experienced co-occurrences of any type less than 12% of the 153 days.

Since 1999, monitoring stations across the United States have been routinely measuring the 24-h average concentrations of $PM_{2.5}$. Because of the availability of the $PM_{2.5}$ data, daily co-occurrence of $PM_{2.5}$ and O_3 over a 24-h period was characterized. Because $PM_{2.5}$ data are mostly summarized as 24-h average concentrations in the AQS data base, a daily co-occurrence of O_3 and $PM_{2.5}$ was subjectively defined as when an hourly average O_3 concentration $\geq$0.05 ppm and a $PM_{2.5}$ 24-h concentration $\geq$40 $\mu g/m^3$ occurred over the same 24-h period.

For exploring the co-occurrence of O_3 and other pollutants (e.g., acid precipitation and acidic cloudwater), limited data are available. In most cases, routine monitoring data are not available from which to draw general conclusions. However, published results are reviewed and summarized for the purpose of assessing an estimate of the possible importance of co-occurrence patterns of exposure.

AX3.8.2 Co-Occurrence of Ozone with Nitrogen Oxides

Ozone occurs frequently at concentrations equal to or greater than 0.05 ppm at many rural and remote monitoring sites in the United States (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a). Therefore, for many rural locations in the United States, the co-occurrence patterns observed by Lefohn and Tingey (1984) for O_3 and NO_2 were defined by the presence or absence of NO_2. Lefohn and Tingey (1984) reported that most of the sites analyzed experienced fewer than 10 co-occurrences (when both pollutants were present at an hourly average concentration ≥0.05 ppm). Figure AX3-71 summarizes the simultaneous co-occurrence patterns reported by Lefohn and Tingey (1984). The authors noted that several urban monitoring sites in the South Coast Air Basin experienced more than 450 co-occurrences. For more moderate areas of the country, Lefohn et al. (1987) reported that even with a threshold of 0.03 ppm O_3, the number of co-occurrences with NO_2 was small.

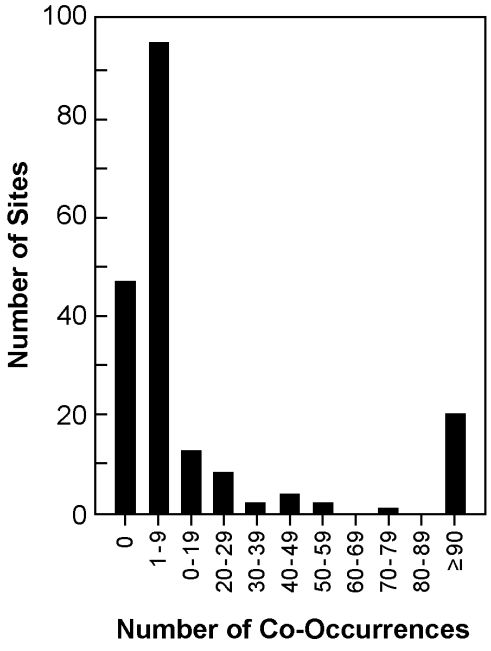

Figure AX3-71. The co-occurrence pattern for O_3 and NO_2.

Source: Lefohn and Tingey (1984).

Using 2001 data from the U.S. EPA AQS database, patterns that showed air pollutant pairs of O_3/NO_2 appearing at the same hour of the day at concentrations ≥0.05 ppm were characterized. The data were not segregated by location settings categories (i.e., rural, suburban, and urban and center city) or land use types (i.e., agricultural, commercial, desert, forest, industrial, mobile, or residential). Data capture was not a consideration in the analysis. The data were characterized over the EPA-defined O_3 season (Table AX3-1). In 2001, there were 341 monitoring sites that co-monitored O_3 and NO_2. Because of possible missing hourly average concentration data during periods when co-monitoring may have occurred, no attempt was made to characterize the number of co-occurrences in the 0 category. Thus, co-occurrence patterns were identified for those monitoring sites that experienced one or more co-occurrences.

Figure AX3-72 illustrates the results of the analysis. Similar to the analysis summarized by Lefohn and Tingey (1984), most of the collocated monitoring sites analyzed, using the 2001 data, experienced fewer than 10 co-occurrences (when both pollutants were present at an hourly average concentration ≥0.05 ppm).

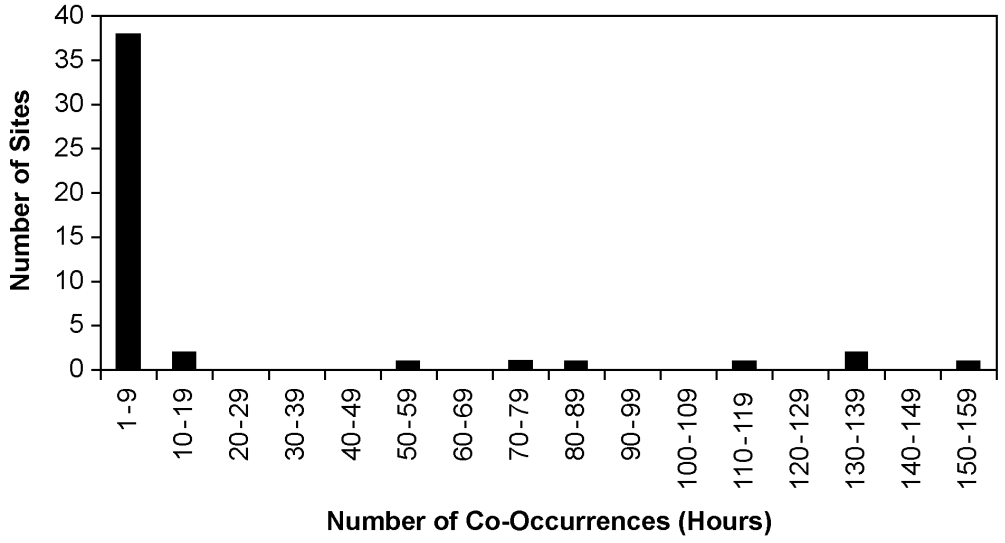

Figure AX3-72. The co-occurrence pattern for O_3 and NO_2 using 2001 data from the AQS.

AX3.8.3 Co-Occurrence of Ozone with Sulfur Dioxide

Because elevated SO_2 concentrations are mostly associated with industrial activities (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1992), co-occurrence observations are usually associated with monitors located near these types of sources. Lefohn and Tingey (1984) reported that, for the rural and nonrural monitoring sites investigated, most sites experienced fewer than 10 co-occurrences of SO_2 and O_3. Lefohn et al. (1987) reported that even with a threshold of 0.03 ppm O_3, the number of co-occurrences with SO_2 was small. Figure AX3-73 illustrates the simultaneous co-occurrence results reported by Lefohn and Tingey (1984).

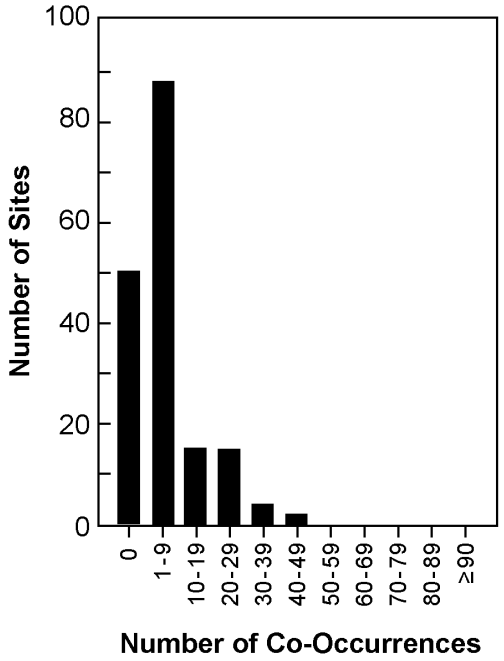

Figure AX3-73. The co-occurrence pattern for O_3 and SO_2.

Source: Lefohn and Tingey (1984).

Meagher et al. (1987) reported that several documented O_3 episodes at specific rural locations appeared to be associated with elevated SO_2 levels. The investigators defined the co-occurrence of O_3 and SO_2 to be when hourly mean concentrations were $\geq$0.10 and 0.01 ppm, respectively.

The above discussion was based on the co-occurrence patterns associated with the presence or absence of hourly average concentrations of pollutant pairs. Taylor et al. (1992) have discussed the joint occurrence of O_3, nitrogen, and sulfur in forested areas using cumulative exposures of O_3 with data on dry deposition of sulfur and nitrogen. The authors concluded in their study that the forest landscapes with the highest loadings of sulfur and nitrogen via dry deposition tended to be the same forests with the highest average O_3 concentrations and largest cumulative exposure. Although the authors concluded that the joint occurrences of multiple pollutants in forest landscapes were important, nothing was mentioned about the hourly co-occurrences of O_3 and SO_2 or of O_3 and NO_2.

Using 2001 data from the EPA AQS database, patterns that showed air pollutant pairs of O_3/SO_2 appearing at the same hour of the day at concentrations $\geq$0.05 ppm were characterized. The data were not segregated by location settings categories (i.e., rural, suburban, and urban and center city) or land use types (i.e., agricultural, commercial, desert, forest, industrial, mobile, or residential). Data capture was not a consideration in the analysis. In 2001, there were 246 monitoring sites that co-monitored O_3 and SO_2. As discussed previously, because of possible missing hourly average concentration data during periods when co-monitoring may have occurred, no attempt was made to characterize the number of co-occurrences in the 0 category. Thus, co-occurrence patterns were identified for those monitoring sites that experienced one or more co-occurrences. Figure AX3-74 shows the results from this analysis for the simultaneous co-occurrence of O_3 and SO_2. Similar to the analysis summarized by Lefohn and Tingey (1984), most of the collocated monitoring sites analyzed, using the 2001 data, experienced fewer than 10 co-occurrences (when both pollutants were present at an hourly average concentration $\geq$0.05 ppm).

AX3.8.4 Co-Occurrence of Ozone and Daily $PM_{2.5}$

Using 2001 data from the EPA AQS, the daily co-occurrence of $PM_{2.5}$ and O_3 over a 24-h period was characterized. There were 362 sites where $PM_{2.5}$ and O_3 monitors were collocated. As described in the introduction selection of this annex, a daily co-occurrence of O_3 and $PM_{2.5}$ is subjectively defined as an hourly average O_3 concentration $\geq$0.05 ppm and a $PM_{2.5}$ 24-h concentration $\geq$40 $\mu g/m^3$ occurring over the same 24-h period. Figure AX3-75 illustrates the

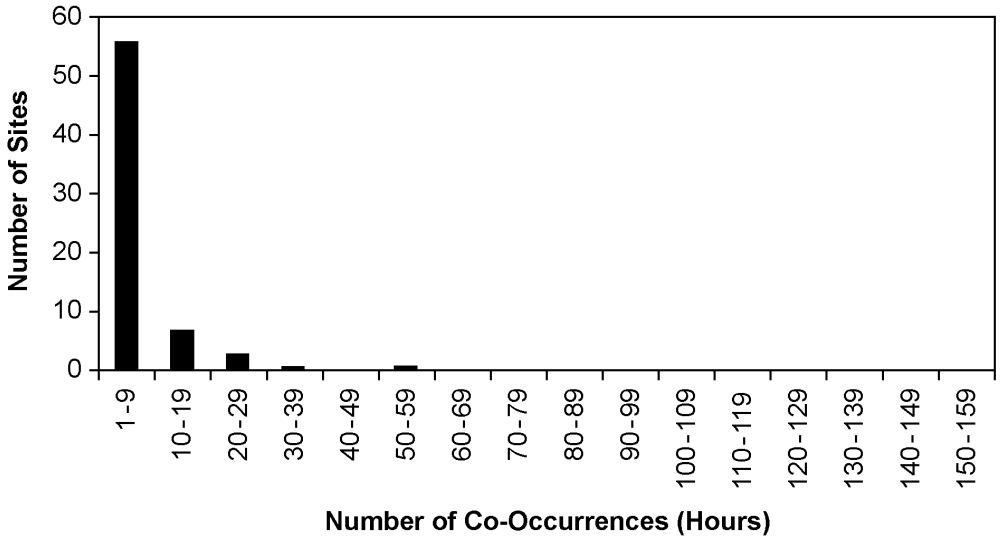

Figure AX3-74. The co-occurrence pattern for O_3 and SO_2 using 2001 data from AQS.

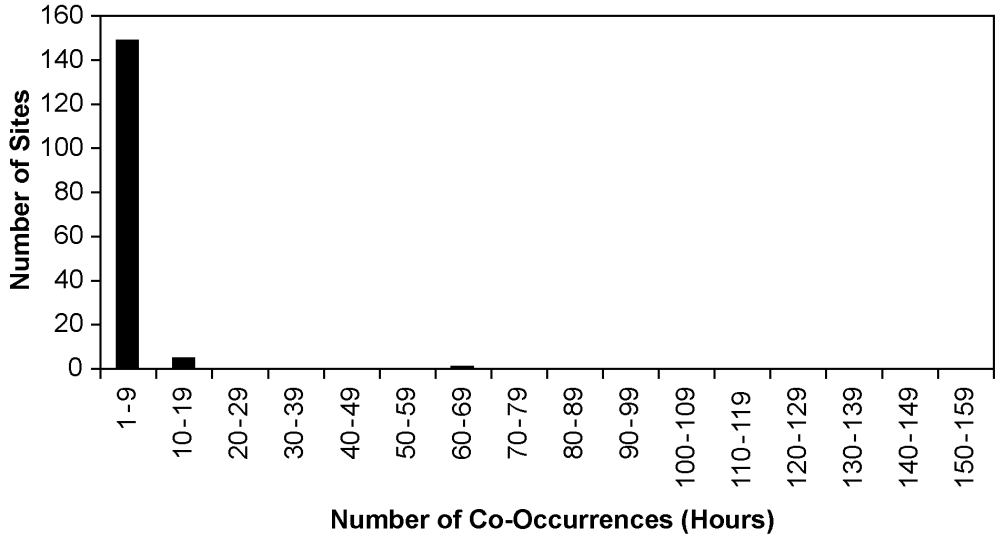

Figure AX3-75. The co-occurrence pattern for O_3 and $PM_{2.5}$ using 2001 data from AQS.

daily co-occurrence patterns observed. Using 2001 data from the AQS, the daily co-occurrence of $PM_{2.5}$ and O_3 was infrequent.

AX3.8.5 Co-Occurrence of Ozone with Acid Precipitation

Concern has been expressed about the possible effects on vegetation from co-occurring exposures of O_3 and acid precipitation (Prinz et al., 1985; National Acid Precipitation Assessment Program, 1987; Prinz and Krause, 1989). Little information has been published concerning the co-occurrence patterns associated with the joint distribution of O_3 and acidic deposition (i.e., H^+). Lefohn and Benedict (1983) reviewed the EPA SAROAD monitoring data for 1977 through 1980 and, using National Atmospheric Deposition Program (NADP) and EPRI wet deposition data, evaluated the frequency distribution of pH events for 34 NADP and 8 EPRI chemistry monitoring sites located across the United States. Unfortunately, there were few sites where O_3 and acidic deposition were co-monitored.

As a result, Lefohn and Benedict (1983) focused their attention on O_3 and acidic deposition monitoring sites that were closest to one another. In some cases, the sites were as far apart as 144 km. Using hourly O_3 monitoring data and weekly and event acidic deposition data from the NADP and EPRI databases, the authors identified specific locations where the hourly mean O_3 concentrations were $\geq$0.1 ppm and 20% of the wetfall daily or weekly samples were below pH 4.0. Elevated levels of O_3 were defined as hourly mean concentrations equal to or greater than 0.1 ppm. Although for many cases, experimental research results of acidic deposition on agricultural crops show few effects at pH levels >3.5 (National Acid Precipitation Assessment Program, 1987), it was decided to use a pH threshold of 4.0 to take into consideration the possibility of synergistic effects between O_3 and acidic deposition.

Based on their analysis, Lefohn and Benedict (1983) identified five sites with the potential for agricultural crops to experience additive, less than additive, or synergistic (i.e., greater than additive) effects from elevated O_3 and H^+ concentrations. The authors stated that they believed, based on the available data, the greatest potential for interaction between acid rain and O_3 concentrations in the United States, with possible effects on crop yields, may be in the most industrialized areas (e.g., Ohio and Pennsylvania). However, they cautioned that, because no documented evidence existed to show that pollutant interaction had occurred under field growth conditions and ambient exposures, their conclusions should only be used as a guide for further research.

In their analysis, Lefohn and Benedict (1983) found no collocated sites. The authors rationalized that data from non-co-monitoring sites (i.e., O_3 and acidic deposition) could be used

because O_3 exposures are regional in nature. However, work by Lefohn et al. (1988) has shown that hourly mean O_3 concentrations vary from location to location within a region, and that cumulative indices, such as the percent of hourly mean concentrations $\geq$0.07 ppm, do not form a uniform pattern over a region. Thus, extrapolating hourly mean O_3 concentrations from known locations to other areas within a region may provide only qualitative indications of actual O_3 exposure patterns.

In the late 1970s and the 1980s, both the private sector and the government funded research efforts to better characterize gaseous air pollutant concentrations and wet deposition. The event-oriented wet deposition network, EPRI/Utility Acid Precipitation Study Program, and the weekly oriented sampling network, NADP, provided information that can be compared with hourly mean O_3 concentrations collected at several co-monitored locations. No attempt was made to include H^+ cloud deposition information. In some cases, for mountaintop locations (e.g., Clingman's Peak, Shenandoah, Whiteface Mountain, and Whitetop Mountain), the H^+ cloud water deposition is greater than the H^+ deposition in precipitation (Mohnen, 1989), and the co-occurrence patterns associated with O_3 and cloud deposition will be different from those patterns associated with O_3 and deposition by precipitation.

Smith and Lefohn (1991) explored the relationship between O_3 and H^+ in precipitation, using data from sites that monitored both O_3 and wet deposition simultaneously and within one-minute latitude and longitude of each other. The authors reported that individual sites experienced years in which both H^+ deposition and total O_3 exposure were at least moderately high (i.e., annual H^+ deposition $\geq$0.5 kg ha^{-1} and an annual O_3 cumulative, sigmoidally weighted exposure (W126) value $\geq$50 ppm-h). With data compiled from all sites, it was found that relatively acidic precipitation (pH $\leq$4.31 on a weekly basis or pH $\leq$4.23 on a daily basis) occurred together with relatively high O_3 levels (i.e., W126 values $\geq$0.66 ppm-h for the same week or W126 values $\geq$0.18 ppm-h immediately before or after a rainfall event) approximately 20% of the time, and highly acidic precipitation (i.e, pH $\leq$4.10 on a weekly basis or pH $\leq$4.01 on a daily basis) occurred together with a high O_3 level (i.e., W126 values $\geq$1.46 ppm-h for the same week or W126 values $\geq$0.90 ppm-h immediately before or after a rainfall event) approximately 6% of the time. Whether during the same week or before, during, or after a precipitation event, correlations between O_3 level and pH (or H^+ deposition) were weak to

nonexistent. Sites most subject to relatively high levels of both H^+ and O_3 were located in the eastern United States, often in mountainous areas.

AX3.8.6 Co-Occurrence of Ozone with Acid Cloudwater

In addition to the co-occurrence of O_3 and acid precipitation, results have been reported on the co-occurrence of O_3 and acidic cloudwater in high-elevation forests. Vong and Guttorp (1991) characterized the frequent O_3-only and pH-only, single-pollutant episodes, as well as the simultaneous and sequential co-occurrences of O_3 and acidic cloudwater. The authors reported that both simultaneous and sequential co-occurrences were observed a few times each month above the cloud base. Episodes were classified by considering hourly O_3 average concentrations $\geq$0.07 ppm and cloudwater events with pH $\leq$3.2. The authors reported that simultaneous occurrences of O_3 and pH episodes occurred two to three times per month at two southern sites (Mitchell, NC and Whitetop, VA) and the two northern sites (Whiteface Mountain, NY and Moosilauke, NH) averaged one episode per month. No co-occurrences were observed at the central Appalachian site (Shenandoah, VA), due to a much lower cloud frequency. Vong and Guttorp (1991) reported that the simultaneous occurrences were usually of short duration (mean = 1.5 h/episode) and were followed by an O_3-only episode. As would be expected, O_3-only episodes were longer than co-occurrences and pH episodes, averaging an 8-h duration.

AX3.9 THE METHODOLOGY FOR DETERMINING POLICY RELEVANT BACKGROUND OZONE CONCENTRATIONS

AX3.9.1 Introduction

Background O_3 concentrations used for NAAQS-setting purposes are referred to as Policy Relevant Background (PRB) O_3 concentrations. Policy Relevant Background concentrations are those concentrations that would result in the United States in the absence of anthropogenic emissions in continental North America (the United Sates, Canada and Mexico). Policy Relevant Background concentrations include contributions from natural sources everywhere in the world and from anthropogenic sources outside these three countries. For the purposes of informing decisions about O_3 NAAQS, EPA assesses risks to human health and environmental

effects to O_3 levels in excess of PRB concentrations. Issues concerning the methodology for estimating PRB O_3 concentrations are described in detail in Annex AX3, Section AX3.9.

Contributions to PRB O_3 include: photochemical interactions involving natural emissions of VOCs, NO_x, and CO; the long-range transport of O_3 and its precursors from outside North America; and stratospheric-tropospheric exchange (STE). Processes involved in STE are described in detail in Annex AX2.3. Natural sources of O_3 precursors include biogenic emissions, wildfires, and lightning. Biogenic emissions from agricultural activities are not considered in the formation of PRB O_3.

Most of the issues concerning the calculation of PRB O_3 center on the origin of springtime maxima in surface O_3 concentrations observed at monitoring sites in relatively unpolluted areas of the United States and on the capability of the current generation of global-scale, three-dimensional chemistry transport models to correctly simulate their causes. These issues are related to the causes of the occurrence of high O_3 values, especially those averaged over 1-h to 8-h observed at O_3 monitoring sites during late winter through spring (i.e., February to June). The issues raised do not affect interpretations of the causes of summertime O_3 episodes as strongly. Summertime O_3 episodes are mainly associated with slow-moving high-pressure systems characterized by limited mixing between the planetary boundary layer and the free troposphere (Section AX2.3).

Springtime maxima are observed at national parks mainly in the western United States that are relatively clean (Section AX3.2.2; Figures AX3-76a,b) and at a number of other relatively unpolluted monitoring sites throughout the Northern Hemisphere. Spring maxima in tropospheric O_3 were originally attributed to transport from the stratosphere by Regener (1941) as cited by Junge (1963). Junge (1963) also cited measurements of springtime maxima in O_3 concentrations at Mauna Loa (elevation 3400 m) and at Arkosa, Germany (an alpine location, elevation 1860 m). Measurements of radioactive debris transported downward from the stratosphere as the result of nuclear testing during the 1960s also show springtime maxima (Ludwig et al., 1977). However, more recent studies (Lelieveld and Dentener, 2000; Browell et al., 2003) attribute the springtime maximum in tropospheric O_3 concentrations to tropospheric production rather than transport from the stratosphere. It should be noted here that O_3 in the free troposphere is subject to chemical loss on time scales much shorter than for decay of most

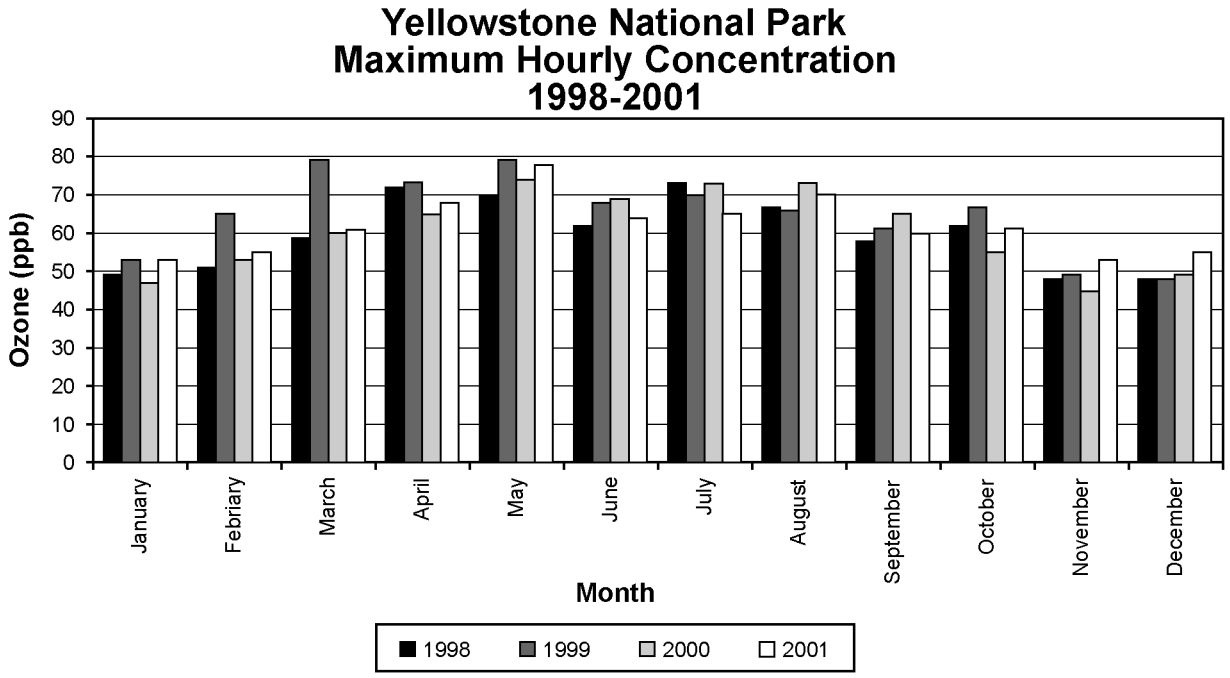

Figure AX3-76a. Monthly maximum hourly average O_3 concentrations at Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming in 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001.

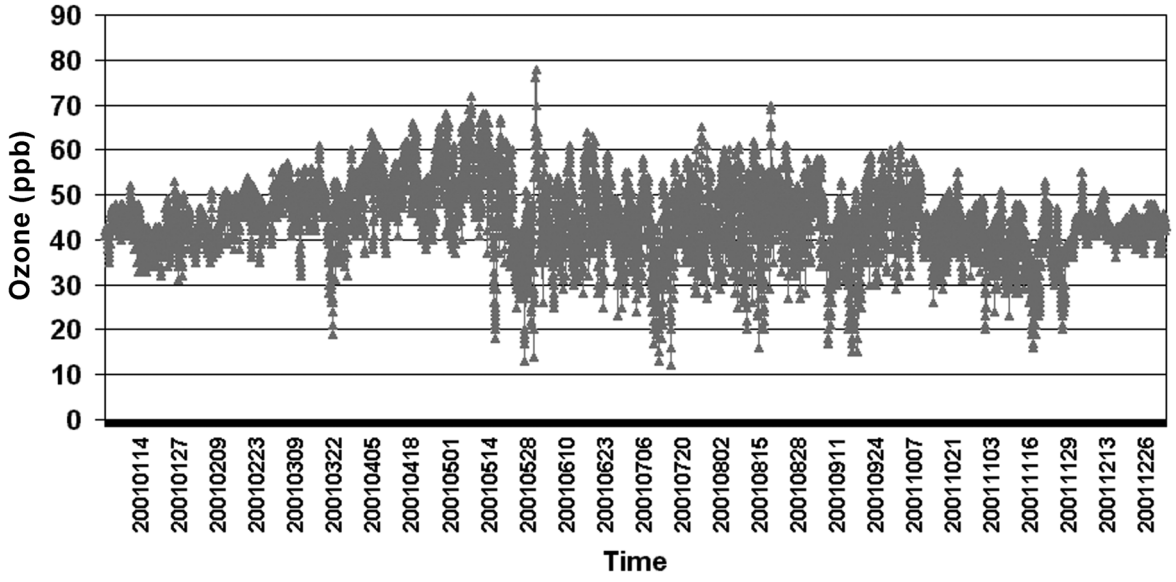

Figure AX3-76b. Hourly average O_3 concentrations at Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming for the period January to December 2001.

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2003a).

radio-isotopes produced by nuclear testing that were used as tracers of stratospheric air such as ^{14}C, ^{137}Cs and ^{90}Sr.

Springtime O_3 maxima were observed in low-lying surface measurements during the late 19th century. However, these measurements are quantitatively highly uncertain, and extreme caution should be exercised in their use. Concentrations of approximately 0.036 ppm for the daytime average and of 0.030 ppm for the nighttime averages were reported for Zagreb, Croatia using the Schonbein method during the 1890s (Lisac and Grubišić, 1991). Of the numerous measurements of tropospheric O_3 made in the 19th century, only the iodine catalyzed oxidation of arsenite has been verified with modern laboratory methods. Kley et al. (1988) reconstructed the apparatus used between 1876 and 1910 in Montsouris, outside Paris, and evaluated it for accuracy and specificity. They concluded that O_3 mixing ratios ranged from 5 to 16 ppb with uncertainty of ±2 ppb. Interferences from SO_2 were avoided as the Montsouris data were selected to exclude air from Paris, the only source of high concentrations of SO_2 at that time. Uncertainties in the humidity correction to the Schonbein reading will lead to considerable inaccuracies in the seasonal cycle established by this method (Pavelin et al., 1999). Because of the uncertainties in the earlier methods, it is difficult to quantify the differences between surface O_3 concentrations measured in the last half of the 19th century at certain locations in either Europe or North America with those currently monitored at remote locations in the world.

Observations of O_3 profiles at a large number of sites indicate a positive gradient in O_3 mixing ratios with increasing altitude in the troposphere and a springtime maximum in O_3 concentrations in the upper troposphere (Logan, 1999). As discussed in Section AX2.3.1, STE affects the middle and upper troposphere more than the lower troposphere. It is, therefore, reasonable to suppose that the main cause of this positive gradient is STE. However, deep convection transports pollutants upward and can result in an increase in the pollutant mixing ratio with altitude downwind of surface source regions as shown in Figure AX3-77. This effect can be seen in differences in ozonesonde profiles as one moves eastward across the United States (Newchurch et al., 2003). In addition, O_3 formed by lightning-generated NO_x also contributes to the vertical O_3 gradient. (Lelieveld and Dentener, 2000). This O_3 could be either background or not, depending on the sources of radical precursors. Another contributing factor is the increase of O_3 lifetime with altitude (Wang et al., 1998). Free-tropospheric O_3 is not predominantly of stratospheric origin, nor is it all natural; it is mostly controlled by production within the

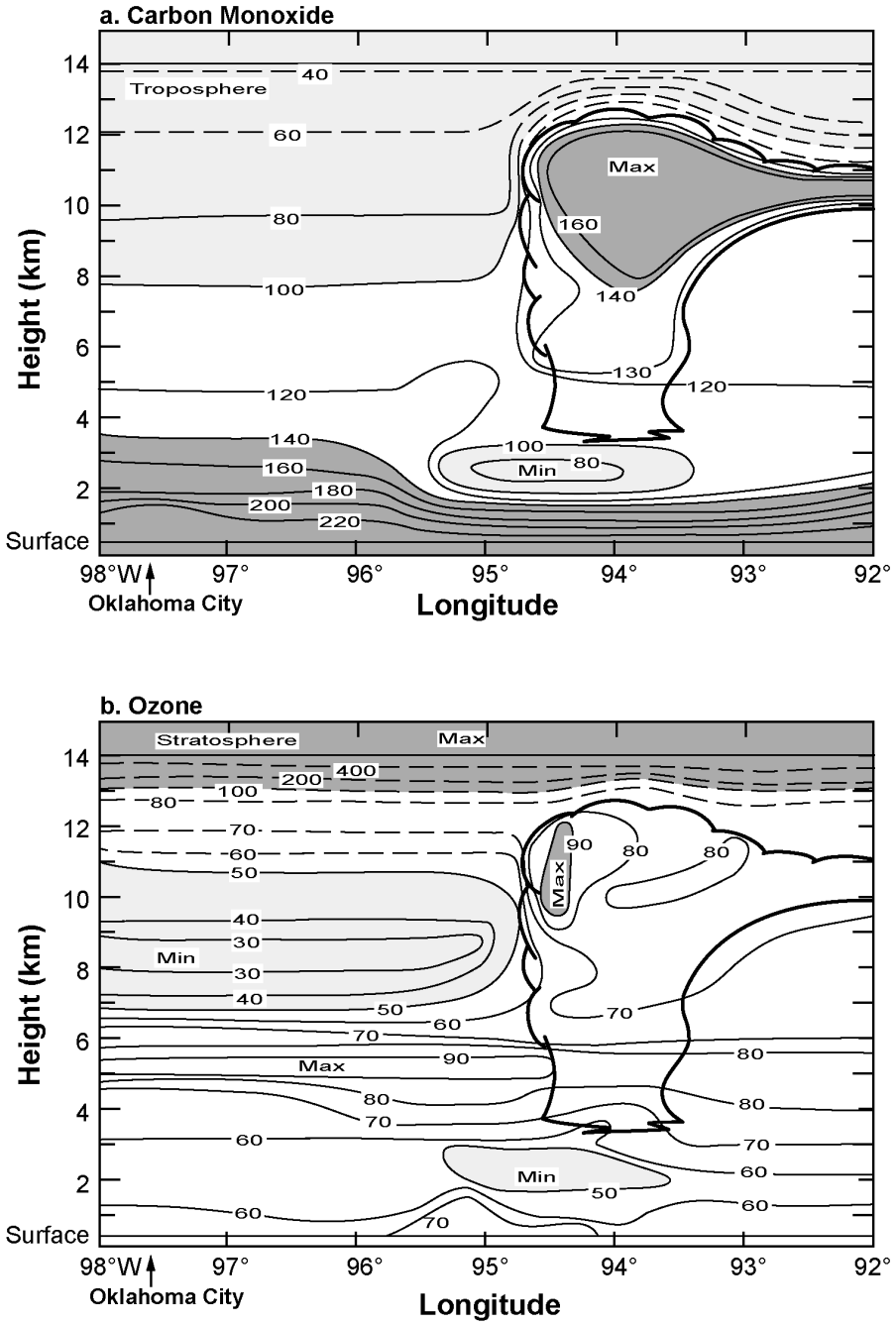

Figure AX3-77. (a) Contour plot of CO mixing ratios (ppbv) observed in and near the June 15, 1985, mesoscale convective complex in eastern Oklahoma. Heavy line shows the outline of the cumulonimbus cloud. Dark shading indicates high CO and light shading indicates low CO. Dashed contour lines are plotted according to climatology since no direct measurements were made in that area. (b) Same as (a) but for O_3 (ppbv).

Source: Dickerson et al. (1987).

troposphere and includes a major anthropogenic enhancement (e.g., Berntsen et al., 1997; Roelofs et al., 1997; Wild and Akimoto, 2001).

Stohl (2001), Wernli and Borqui (2002), Seo and Bowman (2002), James et al. (2003a,b), Sprenger and Wernli (2003), and Sprenger et al. (2003) addressed the spatial and temporal variability in stratosphere to troposphere transport. Both Stohl (2001) and Sprenger et al. (2003) produced 1-year climatologies of tropopause folds based on a 1° by 1° gridded meteorological model data set. They each found that the probability of deep folds (penetrating to the 800 hPa level) was maximum during winter (December through February) with the highest frequency of folding extending from Labrador down the east coast of North America. However, these deep folds occurred in <1% of the 6-h intervals for which meteorological data was assimilated for grid points in the continental United States, with a higher frequency in Canada. They observed a higher frequency of more shallow folds (penetrating to the upper troposphere) and medium folds (penetrating to levels between 500 and 600 hPa) of about 10% and 1 to 2%, respectively. These events occur preferentially across the subtropics and the southern United States. At higher latitudes, other mechanisms such as the erosion of cut-off lows and the breakup of stratospheric streamers are likely to play an important role in STE. A 15-year model climatology by Sprenger and Wernli (2003) showed the consistent pattern of STE occurring over the primary storm tracks along the Asian and North American coasts. This climatology, and the one of James et al. (2003a,b) both found that recent stratospheric air associated with deep intrusions are relatively infrequent occurrences in these models. Thus, stratospheric intrusions are most likely to directly affect the middle and upper troposphere, not the planetary boundary layer. However, this O_3 can still exchange with the planetary boundary layer through convection or through large-scale subsidence as described later in this subsection and in Sections AX2.3.2, AX2.3.3, and AX2.3.4. These results are in accord with the observations of Galeni et al. (2003) over Greece and those of Ludwig et al. (1977) over the western United States. It should also be remembered that stratospheric O_3 injected into the upper troposphere is subject to chemical destruction as it is transported downward toward the surface.

Ozone concentrations measured at RRMS in the Northern Hemisphere have been compiled by Vingarzan (2004) and are reproduced here in Tables AX3-10, AX3-11, and AX3-12. Data for annual mean/median concentrations show a broad range, as do annual maximum 1-h concentrations. Generally, concentrations increase with elevation and the highest concentrations

Table AX3-10. Range of Annual (January-December) Hourly Ozone Concentrations (ppb) at Background Sites Around the World (CMDL, 2004)

Location	Elevation (m)	Period of Record	Range of Annual Means
Pt. Barrow, Alaska	11	1992-2001	23-29
Ny Alesund, Svalbard, Spitsbergen[a]	475	1989-1993	28-33[b]
Mauna Loa, Hawaii[c]	3397	1992-2001	37-46[d]

[a]University of Stockholm Meteorological Institute.
[b]Annual medians
[c]10:00 - 18:00 UTC.
[d]High elevation site.

Source: Vingarzan (2004).

Table AX3-11. Range of annual (January-December) Hourly Median and Maximum Ozone Concentrations (ppb) at Background Stations in Protected Areas of the United States (CASTNet, 2004)

Location	Elevation (m)	Period of Record	Range of Annual Medians	Range of Annual Maxima
Denali NP, Alaska	640	1998-2001	29-34	49-68
Glacier NP, Montana	976	1989-2001	19-27	57-77
Voyageurs NP, Minnesota	429	1997-2001	28-35	74-83
Theodore Roosevelt NP, North Dakota	850	1983-2001	29-43	61-82
Yellowstone NP, Wyoming	2469	1996-2001	37-45[a]	68-79[a]
Rocky Mountain NP, Colorado	2743	1994-2001	40-47[a]	68-102[a]
Olympic NP, Washington	125	1998-2001	19-22	50-63
North Cascades NP, Washington	109	1996-2001	14-18	48-69
Mount Rainier NP, Washington	421	1995-2001	38371	54-98
Lassen NP, California	1756	1995-2001	38-43[a]	81-109[a]
Virgin Islands NP, U.S. Virgin Islands	80	1998-2001	19-24	50-64

[a]High elevation site.

Source: Vingarzan (2004).

Table AX3-12. Range of annual (January-December) Hourly Median and Maximum Ozone Concentrations (ppb) at Canadian Background Stations (CAPMoN[a], 2003)

Location	Elevation (m)	Period of Record	Range of Annual Medians	Range of Annual Maxima
Kejimkujik, Nova Scotia[b]	127	1989-2001	25-34	76-116
Montmorency, Quebec	640	1989-1996	28-32	73-99
Algoma, Ontario[a]	411	1988-2001	27-33	76-108
Chalk River, Ontario	184	1988-1996	25-31	79-107
Egbert, Ontario[a]	253	1989-2001	27-32	90-113
E.L.A., Ontario	369	1989-2001	28-33	64-87
Bratt's Lake, Saskatchewan	588	1999-2001	26-29	63-68
Esther, Alberta	707	1995-2001	26-31	63-78
Saturna Island, British Columbia	178	1992-2001	23-27	65-82

[a]Canadian Air and Precipitation Monitoring Network.
[b]Stations affected by long-range transport of anthropogenic emissions.

Source: Vingarzan (2004).

are found during spring. The overall average of the annual median O_3 concentrations at all sites in the continental United States is about 30 ppb and excluding higher elevation sites it is about 24 ppb. Maximum concentrations may be related to stratospheric intrusions, wildfires, and intercontinental or regional transport of pollution. However, it should be noted that all of these sites are affected by anthropogenic emissions to some extent making an interpretation based on these data alone problematic.

Daily 1-h maximum O_3 concentrations exceeding 50 or 60 ppb are observed during late winter and spring in southern Canada and at sites in national parks as shown in Tables AX3-13, AX3-14, and Figure AX3-78. That these high values can occur during late winter when there are low sun angles and cold temperatures may imply a negligible role for photochemistry and a major role for stratospheric intrusions. However, active photochemistry occurs even at high latitudes during late winter. Rapid O_3 loss, apparently due to multiphase chemistry involving bromine atoms (see Section 2.2.10) occurs in the Arctic marine boundary layer. The Arctic throughout much of winter is characterized by low light levels, temperatures, and precipitation, and can act as a reservoir for O_3 precursors such as PAN and alkyl nitrates, which build up and can then photolyze when sun angles are high enough during late winter and early spring. Long-range transport of total odd nitrogen species (NO_y) (defined in AX2.2.2) and VOCs to Arctic regions can occur from midlatitude-source regions. In addition, O_3 can be transported from tropical areas in the upper troposphere followed by its subsidence at mid and high latitudes (Wang et al., 1998).

Penkett (1983), and later Penkett and Brice (1986), first observed a spring peak in PAN at high northern latitudes and hypothesized that winter emissions transported into the Arctic would be mixed throughout a large region of the free troposphere and transformed into O_3 as solar radiation returned to the Arctic in the spring. Subsequent observations (Dickerson, 1985) confirmed the presence of strata of high concentrations of reactive nitrogen compounds at high latitudes in early spring. Bottenheim et al. (1990, 1993) observed a positive correlation between O_3 and NO_2 in the Arctic spring. Jaffe et al. (1991) found NO_y concentrations approaching 1 ppb in Barrow, Alaska, in the spring and attributed them to long-range transport.

Beine et al. (1997) and Honrath et al. (1997) measured O_3, PAN, and NO_x in Alaska and Svalbard, Norway and concluded that PAN decomposition can lead to photochemical O_3 production. At Poker Flat, Alaska, O_3 production was directly observable. Herring et al. (1997)

Table AX3-13. Number of Hours ≥0.05 ppm for Selected Rural O_3 Monitoring in the United States by Month for the Period 1988 to 2001

Site Name	Month	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Denali National Park, Alaska	February	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	14
Denali National Park, Alaska	March	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	0	122	17	0	24
Denali National Park, Alaska	April	217	0	2	0	64	10	31	21	12	51	236	119	0	302
Denali National Park, Alaska	May	26	1	0	24	10	17	1	54	97	35	79	29	0	98
Denali National Park, Alaska	June	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	22	0	6
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	February	0		0	11	3	0	21	6	0	1	5	252	23	77
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	March	194		2	4	95	26	285	14	7	98	150	509	286	307
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	April	228		17	16	217	62	311	185	65	163	385	517	242	461
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	May	225		2	10	196	47	180	193	212	216	289	458	240	350
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	June	58		67	139	33	28	116	81	94	149	78	212	181	172

Table AX3-13 (cont'd). Number of Hours ≥0.05 ppm for Selected Rural O_3 Monitoring in the United States by Month for the Period 1988 to 2001

Site Name	Month	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Glacier National Park, Montana	February			0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glacier National Park, Montana	March			49	9	24	10	23	40	35	9	6	17	5	4
Glacier National Park, Montana	April			31	64	29	5	45	16	46	52	49	128	16	0
Glacier National Park, Montana	May			20	81	67	41	66	51	51	4	122	103	63	23
Glacier National Park, Montana	June			24	37	31	5	29	13	119	0	3	0	6	0
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	February	3	0	0	0	0	43	22	0	0	23	0	6	32	0
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	March	6	2	0	0	1	94	10	39	49	220	40	215	60	0
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	April	48	0	31	22	27	56	65	30	64	128	254	221	175	0
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	May	183	33	14	10	174	78	96	107	111	146	191	247	143	62
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	June	92		2	0	55	50	66	190	37	221	25	23	28	95

Table AX3-14. Number of Hours ≥0.06 ppm for Selected Rural O_3 Monitoring Sites in the United States by Month for the Period of 1988 to 2001

Site Name	Month	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Denali National Park, Alaska	February	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
Denali National Park, Alaska	March	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Denali National Park, Alaska	April	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Denali National Park, Alaska	May	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	9
Denali National Park, Alaska	June	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	February	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	March	37		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	120	1	4
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	April	59		0	0	29	0	20	4	0	0	64	158	11	77
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	May	20		0	0	61	3	42	24	38	26	54	169	49	139
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	June	8		7	18	2	1	13	0	0	22	4	27	43	18
Glacier National Park, Montana	February			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glacier National Park, Montana	March			1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table AX3-14 (cont'd). Number of Hours ≥0.06 ppm for Selected Rural O_3 Monitoring Sites in the United States by Month for the Period of 1988 of 2001

Site Name	Month	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Glacier National Park, Montana	April			0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
Glacier National Park, Montana	May			2	7	13	0	0	4	5	0	16	19	8	0
Glacier National Park, Montana	June			0	3	1	0	1	0	16	0	0	0	0	0
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	February	1	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	March	0	0	0	0	0	34	0	5	2	15	0	9	4	0
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	April	9	0	1	0	0	5	8	0	17	2	57	24	41	0
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	May	77	6	0	0	40	9	40	2	27	46	53	139	43	6
Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota	June	30		0	0	28	17	5	113	12	115	0	5	0	32

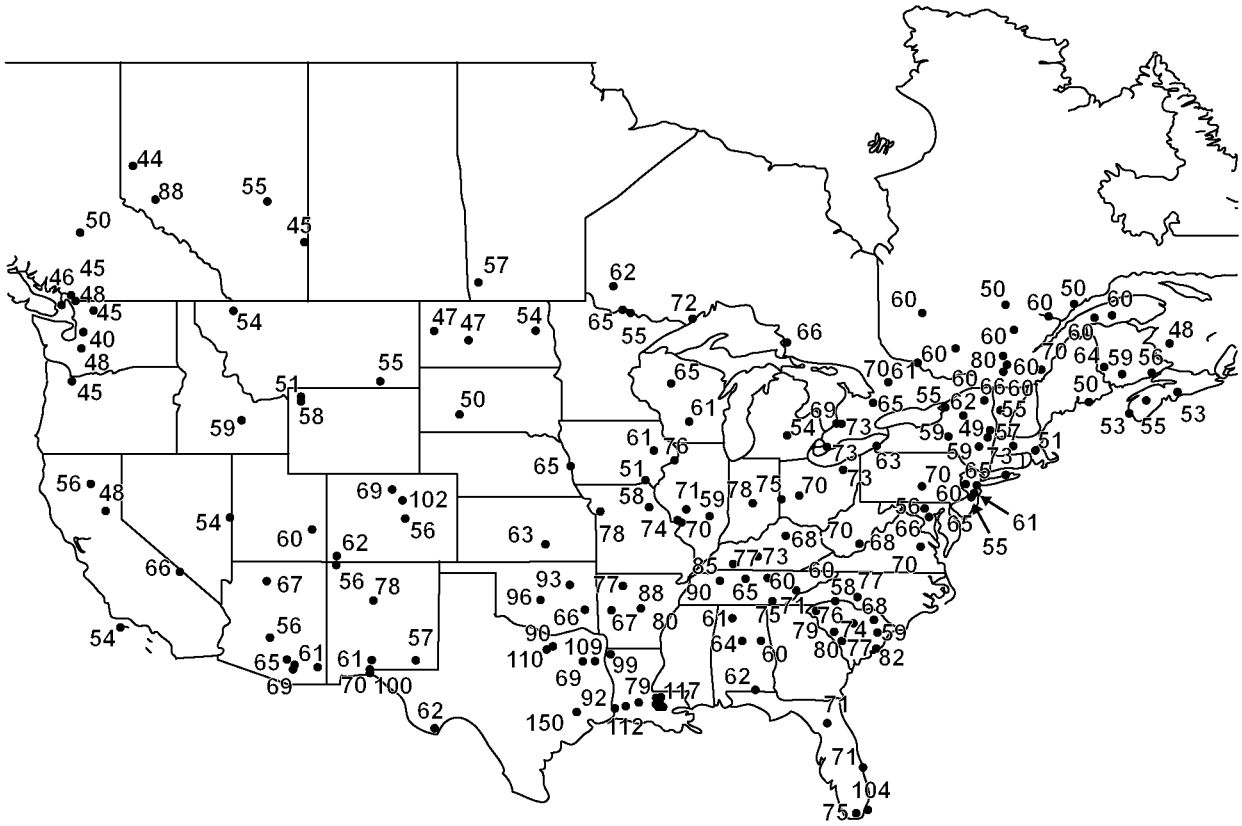

Figure AX3-78. Maximum hourly average O_3 concentrations at rural monitoring sites in Canada and the United States in February from 1980 to 1998.

Source: Lefohn et al. (2001).

tracked springtime O_3 maxima in Denali National Park, Alaska, an area one might presume to be pristine. They measured NO_x and hydrocarbons and concluded that, in the spring, O_3 was produced predominantly by photochemistry at a calculated rate of 1 to 4 ppb/day, implying that the O_3 observed could be produced on timescales ranging from about a week to a month. Solberg et al. (1997) tracked the major components of NO_y in remote Spitsbergen, Norway for the first half of the year 1994. They observed high concentrations of PAN (800 ppt) peaking simultaneously with O_3 (45 to 50 ppb) and attributed this to the long-range transport of pollution and to photochemical smog chemistry. These investigators concluded, in general, that large regions of the Arctic store high concentrations of O_3 precursors in the winter and substantial quantities of O_3 are produced by photochemical reactions in the spring. Although reactions with

high-activation-energy barriers may be ineffective, reactions with low- or no activation-energy barriers (such as radical-radical reactions) or negative temperature dependencies will still proceed. Indeed, active photochemistry is observed in the coldest regions of the stratosphere and mesosphere. While it is expected that photochemical production rates of O_3 will increase with decreasing solar zenith angle as one moves southward from the locations noted above, it should not be assumed that photochemical production of O_3 does not occur during late winter and spring at mid- and high-latitudes.

Perhaps the most thorough set of studies investigating causes of springtime maxima in surface O_3 has been performed as part of the AEROCE and NARE studies (cf. Sections AX2.3.4a,b) and TOPSE (Browell et al., 2003). These first two studies found that elevated or surface $O_3 > 40$ ppb at Bermuda, at least, arises from two distinct sources: the polluted North American continent and the stratosphere. It was also found that these sources mix in the upper troposphere before descending as shown in Figure AX3-79. (In general, air descending behind cold fronts contains contributions from intercontinental transport and the stratosphere.) These studies also concluded that it is impossible to determine sources of O_3 without ancillary data that could be used either as tracers of sources or to calculate photochemical production and loss rates. In addition, subsiding back trajectories do not necessarily imply a free-tropospheric or stratospheric origin for O_3 observed at the surface, since the subsiding conditions are also associated with strong inversions and clear skies that promote O_3 production within the boundary layer. Thus, it would be highly problematic to use observations alone as estimates of PRB O_3 concentrations, especially for sites at or near sea level.

The IPCC Third Assessment Report (TAR) (2001) gave a large range of values for terms in the tropospheric O_3 budget. Estimates of O_3 STE of O_3 ranged over a factor of three from 391 to 1440 Tg/year in the twelve models included in the intercomparison; many of the models included in that assessment overestimated O_3 STE. However, the overestimates likely reflected errors in assimilated winds in the upper troposphere (Douglass et al., 2003; Schoeberl et al., 2003; Tan et al., 2004; van Noije et al., 2004). The budgets of tropospheric O_3 calculated since the IPCC TAR are shown in Table AX3-15. Simulation of stratospheric intrusions is notoriously difficult in global models, and O_3 STE is generally parameterized in these models. However, as can be seen from inspection of Table AX3-15, improvements in assimilation techniques have improved and narrowed estimates of STE. A model intercomparison looking at actual STE

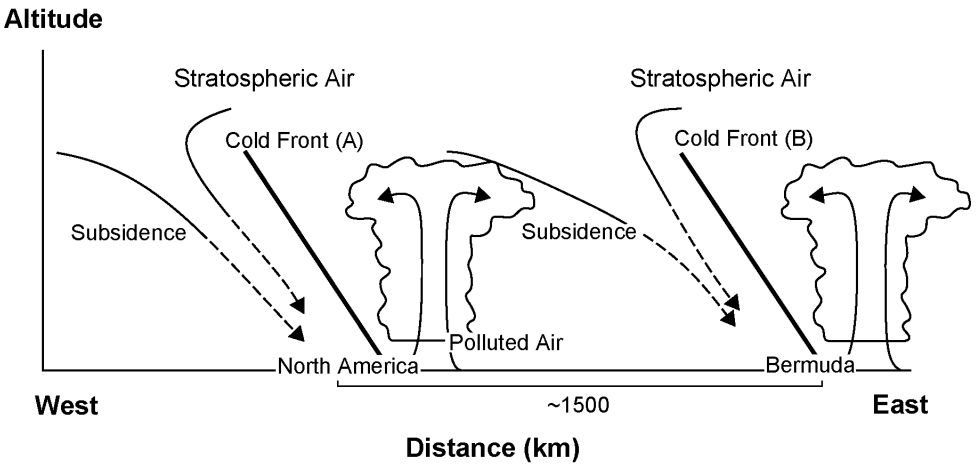

Figure AX3-79. Schematic diagram of a meteorological mechanism involved in high concentrations of O_3 found in spring in the lower troposphere off the American East Coast. Subsidence behind the first cold front meets convection ahead of a second cold front such that polluted air and O_3 from the upper troposphere/ lower stratosphere are transported in close proximity (or mixed) and advected over the North Atlantic Ocean. The vertical scale is about 10 km; the horizontal scale about 1500 km. (Note that not all cold fronts are associated with squall lines and that mixing occurs even in their absence.)

Source: Prados (2000).

events found significant variations in model results that depended significantly on the type and horizontal resolution of the model (Meloen et al., 2003; Cristofanelli et al., 2003). In particular, it was found that the Lagrangian perspective (as opposed to the Eulerian perspective used in most global scale CTMs) was necessary to characterize the depths and residence times of individual events (Sprenger and Wernli, 2003; James et al., 2003a,b). A few studies of the magnitude of the O_3 STE have been made based on chemical observations in the lower stratosphere or combined chemistry and dynamics (e.g., 450 Tg/year net global [Murphy and Fahey, 1994]; 510 Tg/year net global extratropics only [Gettelman et al., 1997]; and 550 ± 140 Tg/year [Olsen et al., 2002]).

Even if the magnitude of cross-tropopause O_3 fluxes in global CTMs are calculated correctly in an annual mean sense, it should be noted that stratospheric intrusions occur episodically following the passage of cold fronts at midlatitudes. Of major concern is the ability

Table AX3-15. Global Budgets of Tropospheric Ozone (Tg year^{-1}) for the Present-day Atmosphere [1]

Reference	Model	Stratosphere-Troposphere Exchange (STE)	Chemical Production [2]	Chemical Loss [2]	Dry Deposition	Burden (Tg)	Lifetime (days) [3]
TAR [4]	11 models	770 ± 400	3420 ± 770	3470 ± 520	770 ± 180	300 ± 30	24 ± 2
Lelieveld and Dentener (2000)		570	3310	3170	710	350	33
Bey et al. (2001a) [5]	GEOS-CHEM	470	4900	4300	1070	320	22
Horowitz et al. (2003)	MOZART-2	340	5260	4750	860	360	23
Von Kuhlmann et al. (2003)	MATCH-MPIC	540	4560	4290	820	290	21
Shindell et al. (2003)	GISS	417	NR [6]	NR	1470	349	NR
Park et al. (2004)	UMD-CTM	480	NR	NR	1290	340	NR
Rotman et al. (2004)	IMPACT	660	NR	NR	830	NR	NR
Wong et al. (2004)	SUNYA/UiO GCCM	600	NR	NR	1100	376	NR

[1] From global CTM simulations describing the atmosphere of the last decade of the 20th century.

[2] Chemical production and loss rates are calculated for the odd oxygen family, usually defined as $O_x = O_3 + O + NO_2 + 2NO_3 + 3N_2O_5 + HNO_4 +$ peroxyacylnitrates (and sometimes HNO_3), to avoid accounting for rapid cycling of O_3 with short-lived species that have little implication for its budget. Chemical production is mainly contributed by reactions of NO with peroxy radicals, while chemical loss is mainly contributed by the $O(^1D) + H_2O$ reaction and by the reactions of O_3 with $HO_2^{\bullet}$, $\bullet OH$, and alkenes. Several models in this table do not report production and loss separately ("NR" entry in the table), reporting instead net production. However, net production is not a useful quantity for budget purposes, because (1) it represents a small residual between large production and loss, (2) it represents the balance between STE and dry deposition, both of which are usually parameterized as a flux boundary condition.

[3] Calculated as the ratio of the burden to the sum of chemical and deposition losses

[4] Means and standard deviations from an ensemble of 11 CTM budgets reported in the IPCC TAR. The mean budget does not balance exactly because only 9 CTMs reported chemical production and loss statistics.

[5] The Martin et al. (2003b) more recent version of GEOS-CHEM gives identical rates and burdens.

[6] Not reported.

of global-scale CTMs to simulate individual intrusions and the effects on surface O_3 concentrations that may result during these events. As noted in Section AX2.3.1, these intrusions occur in "ribbons" ~ 200 to 1000 km long, 100 to 300 km wide, and 1 to 4 km thick. An example of a stratospheric intrusion occurred in Boulder, CO (EPA AQS Site 080130011; formally AIRS) on May 6, 1999 (Lefohn et al., 2001). At 1700 UTC (1000 hours LST) an hourly average concentration of 0.060 ppm was recorded and by 2100 UTC (1400 hours LST), the maximum hourly average O_3 concentration of 0.076 ppm was measured. At 0200 UTC on May 7, 1999 (1900 hours LST on May 6), the hourly average concentration declined to 0.059 ppm. Figure AX3-80 shows the O_3 vertical profile that was recorded at Boulder, CO on May 6, 1999, at 1802 UTC (1102 hours LST). The ragged vertical profile of O_3 at > 4 km reflects stratospheric air that has spiraled downward around an upper-level low and mixed with tropospheric air along the way. Thus, stratospheric air which is normally extremely cold and dry and rich in O_3, loses its characteristics as it mixes downward. This process was described in Section AX2.3.1 and illustrated in Figures AX2-7a,b and c.

The dimensions given above imply that individual intrusions are not resolved properly in the current generation of global-scale CTMs (Figure AX3-80). However, as noted in Section AX2.3.1, penetration of stratospheric air directly to the planetary boundary layer rarely occurs in the continental United States. Rather, intrusions are more likely to affect the middle and upper troposphere, providing a reservoir for O_3 that can exchange with the planetary boundary layer. In this regard, it is important that CTMs be able to spatially and temporally resolve the exchange between the planetary boundary layer and the lower free troposphere properly.

AX3.9.2 Capability of Global Models to Simulate Tropospheric Ozone

The current generation of global CTMs includes detailed representation of tropospheric O_3-NO_x-VOC chemistry. Meteorological information is generally provided by global data assimilation centers. The horizontal resolution is typically a few hundred km, the vertical resolution is 0.1 to 1 km, and the effective temporal resolution is a few hours. These models can simulate most of the observed variability in O_3 and related species, although the coarse resolution precludes simulation of fine-scale structures or localized extreme events. On the synoptic scale, at least, all evidence indicates that global models are adequate tools to investigate the factors controlling tropospheric O_3. Stratosphere-troposphere exchange of O_3 in global

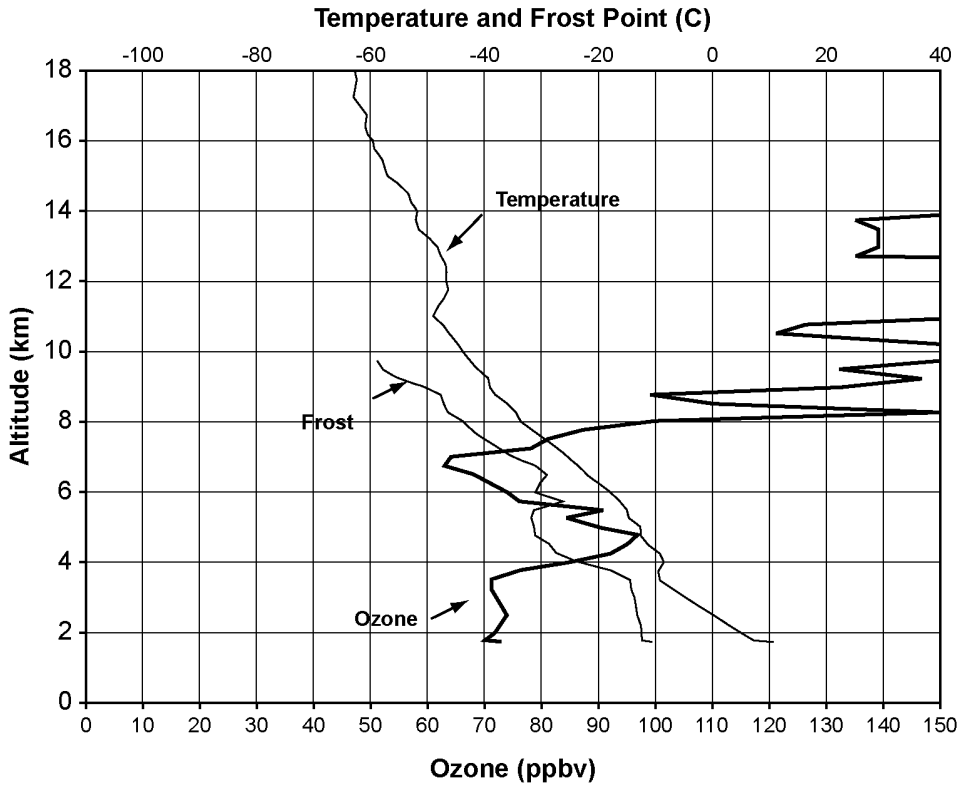

Figure AX3-80. Ozone vertical profile at Boulder, Colorado on May 6, 1999 at 1802 UTC (1102 LST).

Source: Lefohn et al. (2001).

models is generally parameterized. The parameterizations are typically constrained to match the global mean O_3 cross-tropopause flux, which is in turn constrained by a number of observational proxies (550 ± 140 Tg O_3 $year^{-1}$ [Olsen et al., 2002]). The model simulations are routinely compared to ozonesonde observations in the middle and upper troposphere to test the simulation of stratospheric influence on tropospheric O_3 (Logan, 1999). Such evaluations show that the parameterized cross-tropopause O_3 flux in global models results in a good simulation of tropospheric O_3, at least in a mean sense; and that the current generation of models can reproduce the tropospheric ozonesonde climatology to within 5 to 10 ppbv, even at mid- and high-northern latitudes in winter, with the correct seasonal cycle.

Fiore et al. (2003a) used the GEOS-CHEM global tropospheric chemistry model to quantify PRB O_3 concentrations across the United States. A net global O_3 flux of 490 Tg O_3

year^{-1} from the stratosphere to the troposphere is imposed in the GEOS-CHEM model, consistent with the range constrained by observations (Olsen et al., 2002). Previous applications of the model have demonstrated that it simulates the tropospheric ozonesonde climatology (Logan, 1999) generally to within 5 to 10 ppbv, including at mid- and high-latitudes (Bey et al., 2001a) over Bermuda in spring (Li et al., 2002) and at sites along the Asian Pacific rim (Liu et al., 2002). The phase of the seasonal cycle is reproduced to within 1 to 2 months (Bey et al., 2001a; Li et al., 2002; Liu et al., 2002). An analysis of the ^{210}Pb-^{7}Be-O_3 relationships observed in three aircraft missions over the western Pacific indicates that the model does not underestimate the stratospheric source of O_3 (Liu et al., 2004). These studies and others (Li et al., 2001; Bey et al., 2001b; Fusco and Logan, 2003) demonstrate that the model provides an adequate simulation of O_3 in the free troposphere at northern midlatitudes, including the mean influence from the stratosphere. However, it cannot capture the structure and enhancements associated with stratospheric intrusions, leading to mean O_3 under-prediction in regions of preferred stratospheric downwelling.

Fiore et al. (2002a, 2003b) presented a detailed evaluation of the model simulation for O_3 and related species in surface air over the United States for the summer of 1995. They showed that the model reproduces important features of observations including the high tail of O_3 frequency distributions at sites in the eastern United States (although sub-grid-scale local peaks are underestimated), the O_3 to (NO_y - NO_x) relationships, and that the highest O_3 values exhibit the largest response to decreases in U.S. fossil fuel emissions from 1980 to 1995 (Lefohn et al., 1998). Empirical orthogonal functions (EOFs) for the observed regional variability of O_3 over the eastern United States are also well reproduced, indicating that GEOS-CHEM captures the synoptic-scale transport processes modulating surface O_3 concentrations (Fiore et al., 2003b). One model shortcoming relevant for the discussion below is that excessive convective mixing over the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean leads to an overestimate of O_3 concentrations in southerly flow over the southeastern United States. Comparison of GEOS-CHEM with the Multiscale Air Quality Simulation Platform (MAQSIP) regional air quality modeling system (Odman and Ingram, 1996) at 36 km^2 horizontal resolution showed that the models exhibit similar skill at capturing the observed variance in O_3 concentrations with comparable model biases (Fiore et al., 2003b).

Simulations to Quantify Background Ozone Over the United States

The sources contributing to the O_3 background over the United States were quantified by Fiore et al. (2003a) with three simulations summarized in Table AX3-16: (1) a standard simulation, (2) a background simulation in which North American anthropogenic NO_x, NMVOC, and CO emissions are set to zero, and (3) a natural O_3 simulation in which global anthropogenic NO_x, NMVOC and CO emissions are set to zero and the CH_4 concentration is set to its 700 ppbv pre-industrial value. Anthropogenic emissions of NO_x, nonmethane volatile organic compounds (NMVOCs), and CO include contributions from fuel use, industry, and fertilizer application. The difference between the standard and background simulations represents regional pollution, i.e., the O_3 enhancement from North American anthropogenic emissions. The difference between the background and natural simulations represents hemispheric pollution, i.e., the O_3 enhancement from anthropogenic emissions outside North America. Methane and NO_x contribute most to hemispheric pollution (Fiore et al., 2002b). A tagged O_3 tracer simulation (Fiore et al., 2002a) was used to isolate the stratospheric contribution to the background and yielded results that were quantitatively consistent with those from a simulation in which O_3 transport from the stratosphere to the troposphere was suppressed (Fusco and Logan, 2003). All simulations were initialized in June 2000; results are reported for March through October 2001.

Table AX3-16. Description of Simulations Used for Source Attribution (Fiore et al., 2003a)

Simulation	Description	Horizontal Resolution
Standard	Present-day emissions as described in the text	2˚ × 2.5˚
Background	North American anthropogenic NO_x, NMVOC, and CO emissions set to zero	2˚ × 2.5˚
Natural	Global anthropogenic NO_x, NMVOC, and CO emissions set to zero and CH_4 concentration set to its 700 ppbv preindustrial value	4˚ × 5˚
Stratospheric	Tagged O_3 tracer originating from the stratosphere in standard simulation	2˚ × 2.5˚

The standard and background simulations were conducted at 2° × 2.5° horizontal resolution, but the natural simulation was conducted at 4° × 5° resolution to save on computational time. There was no significant bias between 4° × 5° and 2° × 2.5° simulations (Fiore et al., 2002a), particularly for a natural O_3 simulation where surface concentrations were controlled by large-scale processes.

AX3.9.3 Mean Background Concentrations: Spatial and Seasonal Variation

The analysis of Fiore et al. (2003a) focused on the 2001 observations from the Clean Air Status and Trends Network (CASTNet) of rural and remote U.S. sites (Lavery et al., 2002) (Figure AX3-81). Figure AX3-82 shows the mean seasonal cycle in afternoon (1300 to 1700 hours LT) O_3 concentrations averaged over the CASTNet stations in each U.S. quadrant. Measured O_3 concentrations (asterisks) are highest in April to May, except in the Northeast where they peak in June. Model results (triangles) are within 3 ppbv and 5 ppbv of the observations for all months in the Northwest and Southwest, respectively. Model results for the Northeast are too high by 5 to 8 ppbv when sampled at the CASTNet sites; the model is lower when the ensemble of grid squares in the region are sampled (squares). The model is 8 to 12 ppbv too high over the Southeast in summer for reasons discussed in Section AX3.9.2.

Results from the background simulation (no anthropogenic emissions in North America; see Table AX3-16) are shown as diamonds in Figure AX3-82. Mean afternoon background O_3 ranges from 20 ppbv in the Northeast in summer to 35 ppbv in the Northwest in spring. It is higher in the West than in the East because of higher elevation, deeper mixed layers, and longer O_3 lifetimes due to the arid climate (Fiore et al., 2002a). It is also higher in spring than in summer, in part because of the seasonal maximum of stratospheric influence (Figure AX3-82) and in part because of the longer lifetime of O_3 (Wang et al., 1998).

Results from the natural O_3 simulation (no anthropogenic emissions anywhere; Table AX3-16) are shown as crosses in Figure AX3-82. Natural O_3 concentrations are also highest in the West and in spring when the influence of stratospheric O_3 on the troposphere peaks (e.g., Holton et al., 1995). Monthly mean natural O_3 concentration ranges are 18 to 23, 18 to 27, 13 to 20, and 15 to 21 ppbv in the Northwest, Southwest, Northeast, and Southeast, respectively. The stratospheric contribution (X's) ranges from 7 ppbv in spring to 2 ppbv in summer.

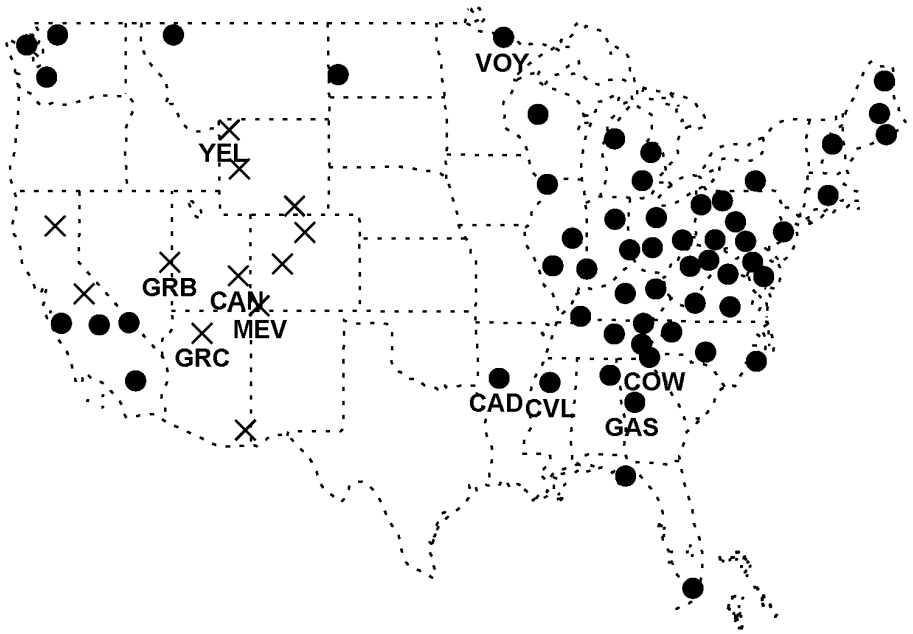

Figure AX3-81. CASTNet stations in the continental United States for 2001. Sites discussed in Section AX3.9.4 are labeled: VOY = Voyageurs NP, MI; COW = Coweeta, NC; YEL = Yellowstone NP, WY; CAD = Caddo Valley, AR; CVL = Coffeeville, MS; GAS = Georgia Station, GA; GB = Great Basin, NV; GRC = Grand Canyon, AZ; CAN = Canyonlands, UT; MEV = Mesa Verde, CO. Crosses denote sites > .5 km altitude.

Source: Fiore et al. (2003a).

The difference between the background and natural simulations in Figure AX3-82 represents the monthly mean hemispheric pollution enhancement. This enhancement ranges from 5 to 12 ppbv depending on region and season. It peaks in spring due to a longer O_3 lifetime (Wang et al., 1998) and to e efficient ventilation of pollution from the Asian continent (Liu et al., 2003). In contrast to hemispheric pollution, the regional pollution influence (O_3 produced from North American anthropogenic emissions, shown as the difference between the squares and diamonds) peaks in summer and is highest in the East. For the data in Figure AX3-82, it ranges from 8 ppbv in the northern quadrants in March to over 30 ppbv in the eastern quadrants in summer. Monthly mean observed O_3 concentrations are influenced by both regional and hemispheric pollution in all U.S. regions from March through October.

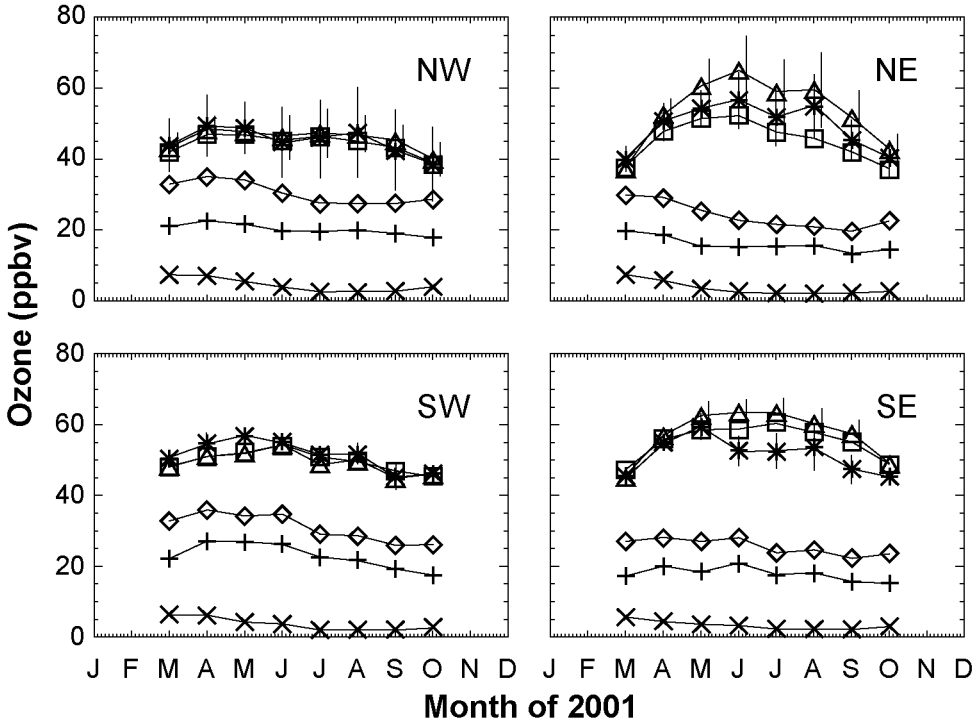

Figure AX3-82. Monthly mean afternoon (1300 to 1700 hours LT) concentrations (ppbv) in surface air averaged over the CASTNet stations (Figure AX3-81) in each U.S. quadrant for March to October 2001. Observations (asterisks) are compared with model values from the standard simulation sampled at the CASTNet sites (triangles) and sampled for the entire quadrant (squares). The vertical lines show the standard deviation in the observed and simulated values. Monthly mean model results for the background (diamonds), natural (crosses), and stratospheric (X's) contributions (Table AX3-16) to surface O_3 are shown. The U.S. quadrants are centered at 98.75° W and 37° N.

Source: Fiore et al. (2003a).

AX3.9.4 Frequency of High-Ozone Occurrences at Remote Sites

Lefohn et al. (2001) pointed out the frequent occurrence of high-O_3 events (>50 and 60 ppbv) at remote northern U.S. sites in spring. Fiore et al. (2003a) replicated the analysis of Lefohn et al. (2001) at the four CASTNet sites that they examined: Denali National Park (Alaska), Voyageurs National Park (Minnesota), Glacier National Park (Montana), and Yellowstone National Park (Wyoming). The number of times that the hourly O_3 observations at

the sites are >50 and 60 ppbv for each month from March to October 2001 were then calculated (see results in Table AX3-17) and compared with the same statistics for March to June 1988 to 1998 from Lefohn et al. (2001), to place the 2001 statistics in the context of other years. More incidences of O_3 above both thresholds occur at Denali National Park and Yellowstone National Park in 2001 than in nearly all of the years analyzed by Lefohn et al. (2001). The statistics at Glacier National Park, Montana indicate that 2001 had fewer than average incidences of high-O_3 events. At Voyageurs National Park in Minnesota, March and April 2001 had lower-than-average frequencies of high-O_3 events, but May and June were more typical. Overall, 2001 was considered to be a suitable year for analysis of high-O_3 events. Ozone concentrations >70 and 80 ppbv occurred most often in May through August in 2001 and were found to be associated with regional pollution by Fiore et al. (2003a).

Fiore et al. (2003a) focused their analysis on mean O_3 concentrations during the afternoon hours (1300 to 1700 LT), as the comparison of model results with surface observations is most appropriate in the afternoon when the observations are representative of a relatively deep mixed layer (Fiore et al., 2002a). In addition, the GEOS-CHEM model does not provide independent information on an hour-to-hour basis, because it is driven by meteorological fields that are updated every 6-h and then interpolated. Fiore et al. (2003a) tested whether an analysis restricted to these mean 1300 to 1700 LT surface concentrations captures the same frequency of O_3 >50 and 60 ppbv that emerges from an analysis of the individual hourly concentrations over 24 hours. Results are reproduced here in Table AX3-17, which shows that the percentage of individual afternoon (1300 to 1700 LT) hours when O_3 >50 and 60 ppbv at the CASTNet sites is always greater than the percentage of all hourly occurrences above these thresholds, indicating that elevated O_3 concentrations preferentially occur in the afternoon. Furthermore, Table AX3-17 shows that the frequency of observation of high-O_3 events is not diminished when 4-h average (1300 to 1700 LT) concentrations are considered, reflecting persistence in the duration of these events. Model frequencies of high-O_3 events from 1300 to 1700 LT at the CASTNet sites are similar to observations in spring, as shown in Table AX3-17, and about 10% higher in the summer, largely because of the positive model bias in the Southeast discussed in Section AX3.9.2.

Table AX3-17. Number of Hours with Ozone Above 50 or 60 ppbv at U.S. CASTNet Sites in 2001

Site	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
Observations ≥ 50 ppbv								
Denali NP, Alaska (64˚ N, 149˚ W, 0.6 km)	24	302	98	6	0	0	0	0
Voyageurs NP, Minnesota (48˚ N, 93˚ W, 0.4 km)	0	0	62	95	14	17	33	0
Glacier NP, Montana (49˚ N, 114˚ W, 1.0 km)	4	0	23	0	6	12	0	0
Yellowstone NP, Wyoming (45˚ N, 110˚ W, 2.5 km)	307	461	350	172	140	261	173	77
All CASTNet sites (71)	5468 (11%)	15814 (32%)	17704 (36%)	16150 (33%)	14489 (29%)	15989 (32%)	9874 (20%)	5642 (11%)
All sites, 1300-1700 LT only (hourly data)	1817 (21%)	4684 (56%)	5174 (61%)	4624 (56%)	4613 (54%)	5075 (60%)	3343 (40%)	1945 (23%)
All sites, 1300-1700 LT mean (4-hour average)	435 (20%)	1153 (55%)	1295 (61%)	1147 (55%)	1161 (54%)	1283 (60%)	841 (40%)	478 (22%)
All sites, model 1300-1700 LT mean	254 (12%)	1249 (59%)	1527 (69%)	1505 (71%)	1475 (67%)	1500 (68%)	1080 (51%)	591 (27%)
Observations ≥ 60 ppbv								
Denali NP	0	0	9	2	0	0	0	0
Voyageurs NP	0	0	6	32	0	0	15	0
Glacier NP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yellowstone NP	4	77	139	18	6	26	1	2
All sites	519 (1%)	4729 (10%)	8181 (16%)	8199 (17%)	5705 (11%)	7407 (15%)	3492 (7%)	2073 (4%)
All sites, 1300-1700 LT only	235 (3%)	1798 (22%)	2808 (33%)	2721 (33%)	2235 (26%)	2758 (33%)	1416 (17%)	878 (10%)
All sites, 1300-1700 LT mean	56 (3%)	428 (20%)	697 (33%)	671 (32%)	550 (26%)	677 (32%)	358 (17%)	214 (10%)
All sites, model 1300-1700 LT mean	13 (1%)	377 (18%)	834 (38%)	964 (45%)	910 (41%)	834 (38%)	502 (24%)	204 (9%)

Data from 71 U.S. CASTNet sites are included in this analysis: those in Figure AX3-105 plus Denali NP.
Percentages of total occurrences are shown in parentheses.
NP = National Park; LT = Local Time.
Reproduced from Fiore et al. (2003a).

NATURAL VERSUS ANTHROPOGENIC CONTRIBUTIONS TO HIGH-OZONE OCCURRENCES

Figure AX3-83, reproduced from Fiore et al. (2003a), shows probability distributions of daily mean afternoon (1300 to 1700 LT) O_3 concentrations in surface air at the CASTNet sites for March through October 2001. Model distributions for background, natural, and stratospheric O_3 (Table AX3-16) are also shown. The background (long-dashed line) ranges from 10 to 50 ppbv with most values in the 20 to 35 ppbv range. The full 10 to 50 ppbv range of background predicted here encompasses the previous 25 to 45 ppbv estimates shown in Table 3-8. However, background estimates from observations tend to be at the higher end of the range (25 to 45 ppbv), while these results, as well as those from prior modeling studies (Table 3-8) indicate that background O_3 concentrations in surface air are usually below 40 ppbv. The background O_3 concentrations derived from observations may be overestimated if observations at remote and rural sites contain some influence from regional pollution (as shown below to occur in the model), or if the O_3 versus NO_y - NO_x correlation is affected by different relative removal rates of O_3 and NO_y (Trainer et al., 1993). Natural O_3 concentrations (short-dashed line) are generally in the 10 to 25 ppbv range and never exceed 40 ppbv. The range of the hemispheric pollution enhancement (the difference between the background and natural O_3 concentrations) is typically 4 to 12 ppbv and only rarely exceeds 20 ppbv (< 1% total incidences). The stratospheric contribution (dotted line) is always less than 20 ppbv and usually below 10 ppbv. Time series for specific sites are presented below.

CASE STUDIES: INFLUENCE OF THE BACKGROUND ON ELEVATED OZONE EVENTS IN SPRING

High-O_3 events were previously attributed to natural processes by Lefohn et al. (2001) at: Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota in June and Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming in March through May. Fiore et al. (2003a) used observations from CASTNet stations in conjunction with GEOS-CHEM model simulations to deconstruct the observed concentrations into anthropogenic and natural contributions.

At Voyageurs National Park in 2001, O_3 concentrations > 60 ppbv occurred frequently in June but rarely later in summer (Table AX3-17). A similar pattern was observed in 1995 and 1997 and was used to argue that photochemical activity was probably not responsible for these events (Lefohn et al. 2001). Figure AX3-84 from Fiore et al. (2003a) shows that GEOS-CHEM

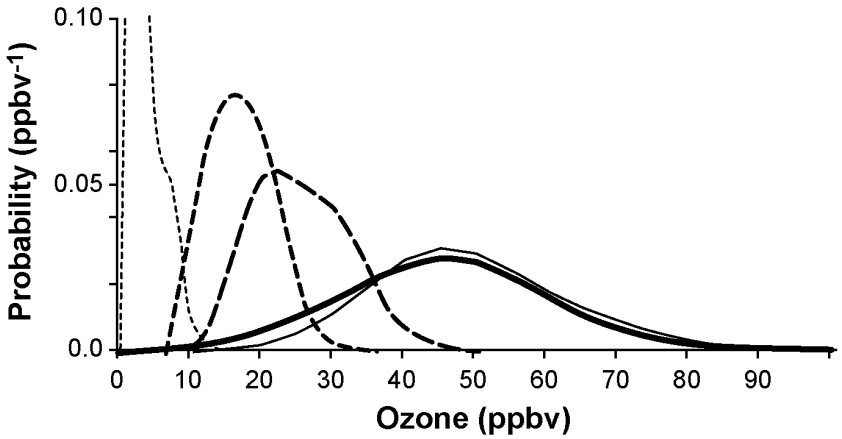

Figure AX3-83. Probability distributions of daily mean afternoon (1300 to 1700 LT) O_3 concentrations in surface air for March through October 2001 at U.S. CASTNet sites (Figure AX3-83): observations (thick solid line) are compared with model results (thin solid line). Additional probability distributions are shown for the simulated background (long-dashed line), natural (short-dashed line), and stratospheric (dotted line) contributions to surface O_3 (Table AX3-23).

Source: Fiore et al. (2003a).

captures much of the day-to-day variability in observed concentrations from mid-May through June, including the occurrence and magnitude of high-O_3 events. The simulated background contribution (diamonds) ranges from 15 to 36 ppbv with a 25 ppbv mean. The natural O_3 level (crosses) is 15 ppbv on average and varies from 9 to 23 ppbv. The stratospheric contribution (X's) is always < 7 ppbv. The dominant contribution to the high-O_3 events on June 26 and 29 is from regional pollution (44 and 50 ppbv on June 26 and 29, respectively, calculated as the difference between the triangles and diamonds in Figure AX3-84). The background contribution (diamonds) is < 30 ppbv on both days, and is composed of a 20 ppbv natural contribution (which includes 2 ppbv of stratospheric origin) and a 5 ppbv enhancement from hemispheric pollution (the difference between the diamonds and crosses). Beyond these two high-O_3 events, Figure AX3-84 shows that regional pollution drives most of the simulated day-to-day variability and explains all events above 50 ppbv. In 2001, monthly mean observed and simulated O_3 concentrations are lower in July (37 and 42 ppbv, respectively) and August (35 and 36 ppbv) than in June (44 and 45 ppbv). Fiore et al. (2003a) hypothesized that the lower mean O_3 and the

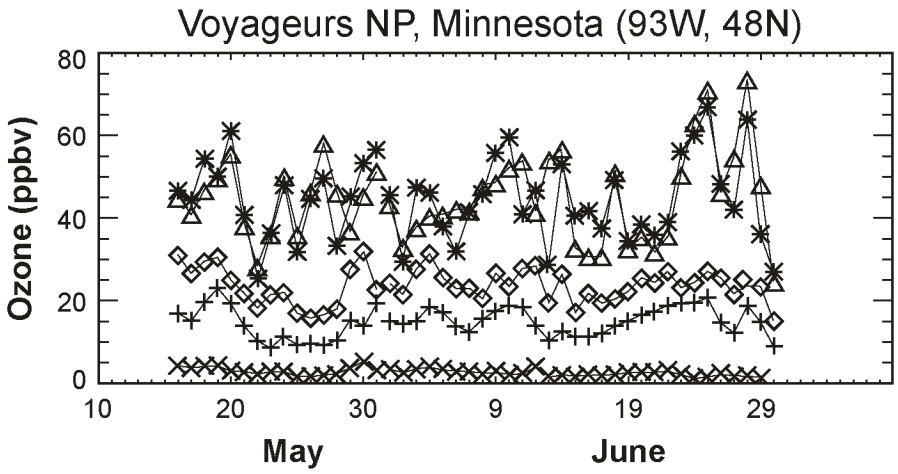

Figure AX3-84. Daily mean afternoon (13 to 17 LT) O_3 concentrations in surface air at Voyageurs National Park (NP), Minnesota in mid-May through June of 2001. Observations (asterisks) are compared with model values from the standard simulation (triangles). The simulated contributions from background (diamonds), natural (crosses), and stratospheric (X's) O_3 are also shown.

Source: Fiore et al. (2003a).

lack of O_3 >60 ppbv in July and August reflects a stronger Bermuda high-pressure system sweeping pollution from southern regions eastward before it could reach Voyageurs National Park.

Frequently observed concentrations of O_3 between 60 to 80 ppbv at Yellowstone NP in spring (Figures AX3-76a,b) have been attributed by Lefohn et al. (2001) to natural sources, because they occur before local park traffic starts and back-trajectories do not suggest influence from long-range transport of anthropogenic sources. More hours with O_3 >60 ppbv occur in April and May of 2001 (Table AX3-17) than in the years analyzed by Lefohn et al. (2001). Fiore et al. (2003a) used GEOS-CHEM to interpret these events; results are shown in Figure AX3-85. The mean background, natural, and stratospheric O_3 contributions in March to May are higher at Yellowstone (38, 22, and 8 ppbv, respectively) as compared to 27, 18, and 5 ppbv at the two eastern sites previously discussed. The larger stratospheric contribution at Yellowstone reflects the high elevation of the site (2.5 km). Fiore et al. (2003a) argued that the background at Yellowstone National Park should be considered an upper limit for U.S. PRB O_3 concentrations,

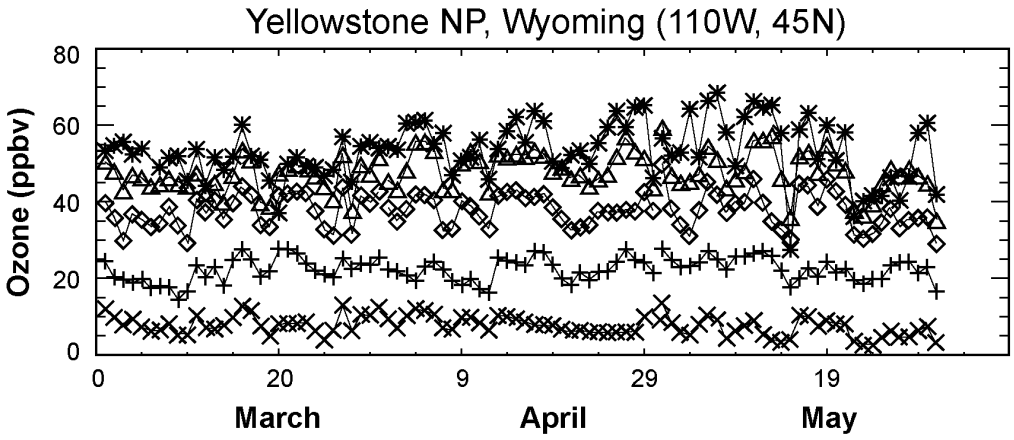

Figure AX3-85. Same as Figure AX3-85 but for Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming in March to May 2001. Observations (asterisks) are compared with model values from the standard simulation (triangles). The simulated contributions from background (diamonds), natural (crosses), and stratospheric (X's) O_3 are also shown.

Source: Fiore et al. (2003a).

because of its high elevation. While Yellowstone receives a higher background concentration than the eastern sites, the model shows that regional pollution from North American anthropogenic emissions (difference between the triangles and diamonds) contributes an additional 10 to 20 ppbv to the highest observed concentrations in April and May. One should not assume that regional photochemistry is inactive in spring.

Higher-altitude western sites are more frequent recipients of subsidence events that transport high concentrations of O_3 from the free troposphere to the surface. Cooper and Moody (2000) cautioned that observations from elevated sites are not generally representative of lower-altitude sites. At Yellowstone, the background O_3 rarely exceeds 40 ppbv, but it is even lower in the East. This point is illustrated in Figure AX3-86, from Fiore et al. (2003a), with time series at representative western and southeastern CASTNet sites for the month of March, when the relative contribution of the background should be high. At the western sites, the background is often near 40 ppbv but total surface O_3 concentrations are rarely above 60 ppbv. While variations in the background play a role in governing the observed total O_3 variability at these sites, regional pollution also contributes. Background concentrations are lower (often <30 ppbv)

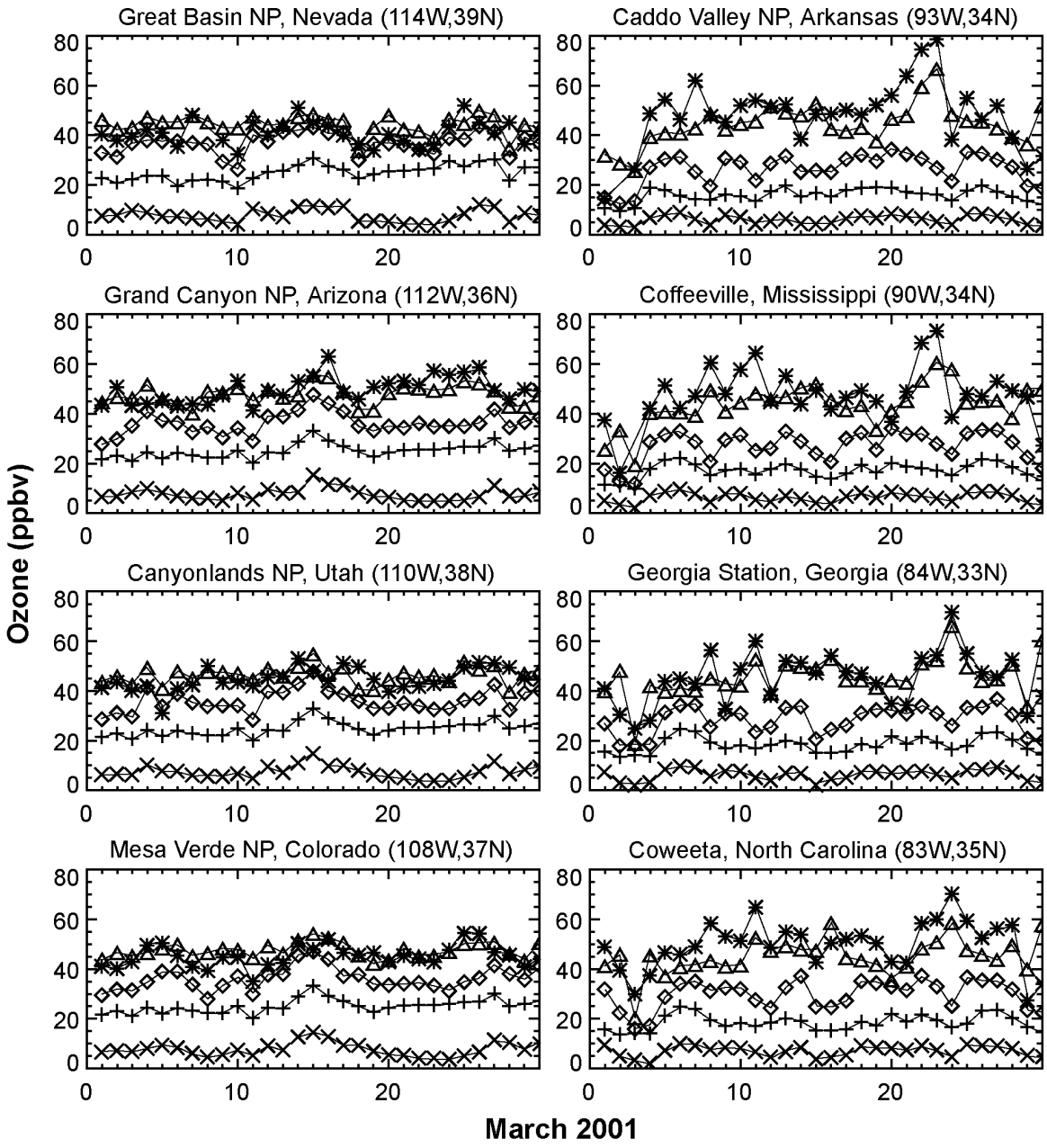

Figure AX3-86. Same as Figure AX3-86 but for March of 2001 at selected western (left column) and southeastern (right column) sites. Observations (asterisks) are compared with model values from the standard simulation (triangles). The simulated contributions from background (diamonds), natural (crosses), and stratospheric (X's) O_3 are also shown.

Source: Fiore et al. (2003a).

in the southeastern states where regional photochemical production drives much of the observed variability. Cooper and Moody (2000) have previously shown that the high O_3 concentrations at an elevated, regionally representative site in the eastern United States in spring coincide with high temperatures and anticyclonic circulation, conditions conducive to photochemical O_3 production. Peak O_3 concentrations in this region, mainly at lower elevations, are associated with lower background concentrations because chemical and depositional loss during stagnant meteorological conditions suppress mixing between the boundary layer and the free troposphere (Fiore et al., 2002a). Surface O_3 concentrations >80 ppbv could conceivably occur when stratospheric intrusions reach the surface. However, based on information given in Section AX2.3.2, these events are rare.

AX3.10 OZONE EXPOSURE IN VARIOUS MICROENVIRONMENTS

AX3.10.1 Introduction

There are many definitions of exposure. Human exposure to O_3 and related photochemical oxidants are based on the measured O_3 concentrations in the individual's breathing zone as the individual moves through time and space. Epidemiological studies generally use the ambient concentrations as surrogates for exposure. Therefore, human exposure data and models provide the best link between ambient concentrations (from measurements at monitoring sites or estimated with atmospheric transport models), lung deposition and clearance, and estimates of air concentration-exposure-dose relationships.

This section discusses the current information on the available human exposure data and exposure model development. This includes information on (a) the relationships between O_3 measured at ambient monitoring sites and personal exposures and (b) factors that affect these relationships. The information presented in this section is intended to provide critical links between ambient monitoring data and O_3 dosimetry as well as between the toxicological and epidemiologic studies presented in Annexes AX4, AX5, AX6, and AX7 of this document.

AX3.10.2 Summary of the Information Presented in the Exposure Discussion in the 1996 Ozone Criteria Document

The 1996 O_3 AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a), based on then currently available information, indicated that less emphasis should be placed on O_3 concentrations measured at ambient monitoring stations. Fixed monitoring stations are generally used for monitoring associated with air quality standards and do not provide a realistic representation of individual exposures. Indoor/outdoor O_3 ratios reported in the literature were summarized for residences, hospitals, offices, art galleries, and museums. The differences in residential I/O were found to be a function of ventilation conditions. The I/O ratios were less than unity. In most cases, indoor and in-transit concentrations of O_3 were significantly different from ambient O_3 concentrations. Ambient O_3 varied from O_3 concentrations measured at fixed-site monitors. Very limited personal exposure measurements were available at the time the 1996 O_3 AQCD was published, so estimates of O_3 exposure or evaluated models were not provided. The two available personal exposure studies indicated that only 40% of the variability in personal exposures was explained by the exposure models using time-weighted indoor and outdoor concentrations. The discussion addressing O_3 exposure modeling primarily addressed work reported by McCurdy (1994) on population-based models (PBMs). Literature published since publication of the 1996 O_3 AQCD has also focused on PBMs. A discussion of individual-based models (IBMs) will be included in the description of exposure modeling in this document to improve our mechanistic understanding of O_3 source-to-exposure events and to evaluate their usefulness in providing population-based estimates.

AX3.10.3 Concepts of Human Exposure

Human exposure to O_3 and related photochemical oxidants occurs when individuals come in contact with the pollutant through "(a) the visible exterior of the person (skin and openings into the body such as mouth and nostrils) or (b) the so-called exchange boundaries where absorption takes place (skin, mouth, nostrils, lung, gastrointestinal tract)" (Federal Register, 1986). Consequently, exposure to a chemical, in this case O_3, is the contact of that chemical with the exchange boundary (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1992). Therefore, inhalation exposure to O_3 is based on measurements of the O_3 concentration near the individual's breathing zone that is not affected by exhaled air.

AX3.10.4 Quantification of Exposure

Quantification of inhalation exposure to any air pollutant starts with the concept of the variation in the concentration of the air pollutant in the breathing zone, unperturbed by exhaled breath, as measured by a personal exposure monitor as a person moves through time and space. Since the concentrations of O_3 and related photochemical oxidants vary with time and location and since people move among locations and activities, the exposure and dose received changes during the day. Furthermore, the amount of pollutant delivered to the lung is dependent upon the person's minute ventilation rate. Thus, the level of exertion is an important consideration in determining the potential exposure and dose. Inhalation exposure has been defined as the integral of the concentration as a function of time over the time period of interest for each individual (Ott, 1982, 1985; Lioy, 1990):

$$E = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} c(t)\,dt \qquad \text{(AX3-2)}$$

where E is inhalation exposure, $c(t)$ is the breathing zone concentration as a function of time and t_1 and t_2 the starting and ending time of the exposure, respectively.

AX3.10.5 Methods to Estimate Personal Exposure

There are two approaches for measuring personal exposure; direct and indirect methods (Ott, 1982, 1985; Navidi et al., 1999). Direct approaches measure the contact of the person with the chemical concentration in the exposure media over an identified period of time. For the direct measurement method, a personal exposure monitor (PEM) is worn near the breathing zone for a specified time to either continually collect for subsequent analysis or directly measure the concentrations of the pollutant and the exposure levels. The indirect approach models concentrations of a pollutant in specific microenvironments. Both methods are associated with measurement error.

AX3.10.5.1 Direct Measurement Method

The passive monitors commonly used in the direct method provides integrated personal exposure information. The monitor's sensitivity to wind velocity, badge placement, and interference with other copollutants may result in measurement error.

Modified passive samplers have been developed for use in determining O_3 exposure. The difficulty in developing a passive O_3 monitor is in identifying a chemical or trapping reagent that can react with O_3. Zhou and Smith (1997) evaluated the effectiveness of sodium nitrite, 3-methyl-2-benzothiazolinone acetone azine (MBTH), *p*-acetamidophenol (*p*-ATP), and indigo carmine as O_3-trapping reagents. Only sodium nitrite and MBTH gave sensitive, linear responses at environmentally relevant concentrations. However, MBTH overestimated the O_3 concentrations significantly, suggesting an interference effect. Sodium nitrite was found to be a valid reagent when an effective diffusion barrier was used. Scheeren and Adema (1996) used an indigo carmine-coated glass-fiber filter to collect spectrophotometrically measured O_3. The detection limit was 23 ppb for a 1-h exposure, with no interfering oxidants identified. The reagent was valid for a relative humidity range of 20 to 80%. The uptake rate was wind velocity dependent. However, wind velocity dependencies was compensated for by using a small battery-operated fan that continuously blew air across the face of the monitor at a speed of 1.3 m/s. The overall accuracy of the sampler, after correcting for samples collected under low-wind conditions, was 11 ± 9% in comparison to a continuous UV-photometric monitor. Sample stability was > 25 days in a freezer. Bernard et al. (1999) employed a passive sampler consisting of a glass-fiber filter coated with a 1,2-di(4-pyridyl)ethylene solution. The sample was analyzed spectrophotometrically after color development by the addition of 3-methyl-2-benzothiazolinone hydrazone hydrochloride. The sampler was used at 48 sites in Montpellier, France. The results from the passive sampler were highly correlated (0.9, $p < 0.0001$) with the results from the UV absorption analyzer of the regional air quality network. Detection limits were 17 ppb for 12-h and 8 ppb for 24-h samples with an overall variation coefficient of 5% for field-tested paired samples. The imprecision was estimated to be 1.0 ppb.

A series of studies have been conducted using a passive sampler developed by Koutrakis et al. (1993) at the Harvard School of Public Health. The sampler used sodium nitrate as the trapping reagent and included a small fan to assure sufficient movement of air across the face of the badge when sampling was done indoors. The passive sampler has been evaluated against the

standard UV absorption technique used in studies in southern California (Avol et al., 1998a; Geyh et al., 1999, 2000; Delfino et al., 1996), Baltimore, MD (Sarnat et al., 2000), and Canada (Brauer and Brook, 1997).

Avol et al. (1998a) used nitrite-coated passive samplers to measure O_3 air concentrations indoors and outdoors of 126 homes between February and December 1994 in the Los Angeles metropolitan area. The detection limit of the method was near 5 ppb. The inconsistent sampler response due to changes in wind pattern and changes in personal activity made the sampler unacceptable for widespread use. The results of the study are discussed later in this chapter. Geyh et al. (1997, 1999) compared passive and active personal O_3 air samplers based on nitrite-coated glass-fiber filters. The active sampler was more sensitive allowing for the collection of short-term, 2.6-h samples. Comparison between the two samplers and UV photometric O_3 monitors demonstrated generally good agreement (bias for active personal sampler of ~6%). The personal sampler also had high precision (4% for duplicate analyses) and good compliance when used by children attending summer day camp in Riverside, CA.

AX3.10.5.2 Indirect Measurement Method

The indirect method determines and measures the concentrations in all of the locations or "microenvironments" a person encounters or determines the exposure levels through the use of models or biomarkers. The concept of microenvironments is critical for understanding human exposure and aids in the development of procedures for exposure modeling using data from stationary monitors (indoor and outdoor). Microenvironments were initially defined as individual or aggregate locations (and sometimes even as activities taking place within a location) where a homogeneous concentration of the pollutant is encountered for a specified period of time. Thus, a microenvironment has often been identified with an "ideal" (i.e., perfectly mixed) compartment of classical compartmental modeling. More recent and general definitions view the microenvironment as a "control volume," indoors or outdoors, that can be fully characterized by a set of either mechanistic or phenomenological governing equations, when properly parameterized, given appropriate initial and boundary conditions. The boundary conditions typically reflect interactions with the ambient air and with other microenvironments. The parameterizations of the governing equations generally include the information on attributes of sources and sinks within each microenvironment. This type of general definition allows for the concentration within a microenvironment to be nonhomogeneous, provided its spatial profile

and mixing properties can be fully predicted or characterized. By adopting this definition, the number of microenvironments used in a study is kept manageable, while existing variabilities in concentrations are still taken into account. The "control volume" variation could result in a series of microenvironments in the same location. If there are large spatial gradients within a location for the same time period, the space should be divided into the number of microenvironments needed to yield constant pollutant concentrations; the alternative offered by the control volume approach is to provide concentration as a function of location within it, so that the appropriate value is selected for calculating exposure. Thus, exposure to a person in a microenvironment is calculated using a formula analogous to equation AX3-3, but as the sum of the discrete products of measured or modeled concentrations (specific to the receptor and/or activity of concern) in each microenvironment by the time spent there. The equation is expressed as:

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i \Delta t_i \qquad \text{(AX3-3)}$$

where i specifies microenvironments from 1 to n, c_i is the concentration in the ith microenvironment, and $\Delta\ t_i$ is the duration spent in the ith microenvironment. The total exposure for any time interval for an individual is the sum of the exposures in all microenvironments encountered within that time interval. The concentration and time component in this approach can contribute to measurement error. However, this method should provide an accurate determination of exposure provided that all microenvironments that contribute significantly to the total exposures are included and the concentration assigned to the microenvironment is appropriate for the time period spent in those environments. Results from the error analysis models developed by Navidi et al. (1999) indicated that neither the microenvironmental or personal sampling approach gave reliable health effect estimates when measurement errors were uncorrected. The nondifferential measurement error biased the effect estimates toward zero under the model assumptions. However, if the measurement error was correlated with the health response, a bias away from the null could result.

Microenvironments typically used to determine O_3 exposures include indoor residences, other indoor locations, outdoors near roadways, other outdoor locations, and in-vehicles.

Outdoor locations near roadways are segregated from other outdoor locations because N_2O emissions from automobiles alter O_3 and related photochemical oxidant concentrations compared to concurrent typical ambient levels. Indoor residences are typically separated from other indoor locations, because of the time spent there and potential differences between the residential environment and the work/public environment. A special concern for O_3 and related photochemical oxidants is their diurnal weekly (weekday-weekend) and seasonal variability. Few indoor O_3 sources exist, but include electronic equipment, O_3 generators, and copying machines. Some secondary reactions of O_3 take place indoors that produce related photochemical oxidants that could extend the exposures to those species above the estimates obtained from O_3 alone. (See discussion on O_3 chemistry and indoor sources and concentrations later in this Annex.)

AX3.10.6 Ozone Exposure Models

Measurement efforts to assess population exposures or exposures to large numbers of individuals over long time periods is labor intensive and costly, so exposure modeling is often done for large populations evaluated over time. Predicting (or reconstructing) human exposure to O_3 through mechanistic models is complicated by the fact that O_3 (and associated photochemical oxidants) is formed in the atmosphere through a series of chemical reactions that are nonlinear and have a wide range of characteristic reaction timescales. Furthermore, these reactions require the precursors VOCs and NO_x that are emitted by a wide variety of both anthropogenic and natural (biogenic) emission sources. This makes O_3 a secondary pollutant with complex nonlinear and multiscale dynamics in time and space. Concentration levels experienced by individuals and populations exposed to O_3 are therefore affected by (1) emission levels and spatiotemporal patterns of the gaseous precursors: VOCs and NO_x, that can be due to sources as diverse as a power plant in a different state, automobiles on a highway five miles away, and the gas stove in one's own kitchen; (2) ambient atmospheric as well as indoor microenvironmental transport, removal and mixing processes (convective, advective, dispersive and molecular/diffusional); and (3) chemical transformations that take place over a multitude of spatial scales, ranging from regional/sub-continental (100 to 1000 km), to urban (10 to 100 km), to local (1 to 10 km), to neighborhood (< 1 km), and to microenvironmental/personal. These

transformations depend on the presence of co-occurring pollutants in gas and aerosol phases, both primary and secondary, and on the nature of surfaces interacting with the pollutants.

Further, the strong temporal variability of O_3, both diurnal and seasonal, makes it critical that definitions of integrated or time-averaged exposure employ appropriate averaging times in order to produce scientifically defensible analyses for either causes of O_3 production or health effects that result from O_3 exposure. An understanding of the effect of temporal profiles of concentrations and contacts with human receptors is essential. Short-term integrated metrics, such as hourly averages, 8-h running averages, etc., are needed to understand the relationship between O_3 exposure and observed health and other effects.

Health effects associated with O_3 have mostly been considered effects of acute exposures. Peak O_3 and related photochemical oxidants concentrations typically occur towards the latter portion of the day during the summer months. Elevated concentrations can last for several hours. Regional O_3 episodes often co-occur with high concentrations of airborne fine particles making it difficult to assess O_3 dynamics and exposure patterns. Furthermore, O_3 participates in multiphase (gas/aerosol) chemical reactions in various microenvironments. Several recent studies show that O_3 reacts indoors with VOCs and NO_x in an analogous fashion to that occurring in the ambient atmosphere (Lee and Hogsett, 1999; Wainman et al., 2000; Weschler and Shields, 1997). These reactions produce secondary oxidants and other air toxics that could play a significant role in cumulative human exposure and health-related effects within the microenvironment.

Terminology

Models of human exposure to O_3 can be characterized and differentiated based upon a variety of attributes. For example, exposure models can be classified as (1) potential exposure models, typically maximum outdoor concentration versus "actual" exposure, including locally modified microenvironmental outdoor and indoor exposures; (2) population versus "specific individual"-based exposure models; (3) deterministic versus probabilistic models; and (4) observation versus mechanistic air quality model-driven estimates of spatially and temporally varying O_3 concentration fields, etc.

Some points should be made regarding terminology and the directions of exposure modeling research (as related specifically to O_3 exposure assessments) before proceeding to

discuss specific recent activities and developments. First, it must be understood that significant variation exists in the definitions for much of the terminology used in the published literature. The science of exposure modeling is an evolving field and the development of a "standard" and commonly accepted terminology is a process in evolution. Second, very often procedures/efforts listed in the scientific literature as "exposure models/exposure estimates," etc., may in fact refer to only a subset of the steps or components required for a complete exposure assessment. For example, some efforts focus solely on refining the subregional or local spatiotemporal dynamics of local O_3 concentrations starting from "raw" data representing monitor observations or regional grid-based model estimates. Nevertheless, such efforts are included in the discussion of the next subsection, as they can provide improved tools for the individual components that constitute a complete exposure assessment. On the other hand, formulations that are identified as exposure models, but focus only on ambient air quality predictions, are not included in the discussion that follows, as they do not provide true exposure estimates but, rather, ambient air estimates. These models are reviewed in an earlier section of this annex. It is recognized that ambient air concentrations are used as surrogates for exposure in some epidemiological studies. Third, O_3-exposure modeling is very often identified explicitly with population-based modeling, while models describing the specific mechanisms affecting the exposure of an individual to O_3, and possibly some of the co-occurring gas and/or aerosol phase pollutants, are usually associated with studies focusing on indoor chemistry modeling. Finally, in recent years, the focus of either individual- or population-based exposure modeling research has shifted from O_3 to other pollutants, mostly airborne toxics and particulate matter. However, many of the modeling components that have been developed in these efforts are directly applicable to O_3 exposure modeling and are, therefore, mentioned in the following discussion.

A General Framework for Assessing Exposure to Ozone

Once the individual and relevant activity locations for Individual Based Modeling (IBM), or the population and associated spatial (geographical) domain for Population Based Modeling (PBM) have been defined, along with the temporal framework of the analysis (period, resolution), the comprehensive modeling of individual/population exposure to O_3 (and related pollutants) will generally require several steps (or components, as some of them do not have to be performed in sequence). The steps represent a "composite" outline based on frameworks

described in the literature over the last 20 years (Ott, 1982, 1985; Lioy, 1990; Georgopoulos and Lioy, 1994; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1992, 1997) as well as on the structure of various existing inhalation exposure models (McCurdy, 1994; Johnson et al., 1992; Nagda et al., 1987; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996c; ICF Consulting, 2003; Burke et al., 2001; McCurdy et al., 2000; Georgopoulos et al., 2002a,b; Freijer et al., 1998; Clench-Aas et al., 1999; Künzli et al., 1997). The conceptional frameworks of the models are similar. Figures AX3-87a,b provides a conceptual overview of an exposure model. The steps involved in defining exposure models include (1) estimation of the background or ambient levels of O_3 through geostatistical analysis of fixed monitor data, or emissions-based, photochemical, air quality modeling; (2) estimation of levels and temporal profiles of O_3 in various outdoor and indoor microenvironments such as street canyons, residences, offices, restaurants, vehicles, etc. through linear regression of available observational data sets, simple mass balance models, detailed (nonlinear) gas or gas/aerosol chemistry models, or detailed combined chemistry and computational fluid dynamics models; (3) characterization of relevant attributes of individuals or populations under study (age, gender, weight, occupation, etc.); (4) development of activity event (or exposure event) sequences for each member of the sample population or for each cohort for the exposure period; (5) calculation of appropriate inhalation (in general intake) rates for the individuals of concern, or the members of the sample population, reflecting/combining the physiological attributes of the study subjects and the activities pursued during the individual exposure events; (6) combination of intake rates and microenvironmental concentrations for each activity event to assess dose; (7) calculation of event-specific exposure and intake dose distributions for selected time periods (1-h and 8-h daily maximum, O_3 season averages, etc.); and (8) use of PBM to extrapolate population sample (or cohort) exposures and doses to the entire populations of interest. This process should aim to quantify, to the extent possible, variability and uncertainty in the various components, assessing their effects on the estimates of exposure.

Implementation of the above components of comprehensive exposure modeling has benefitted significantly from recent advances and expanded availability of computational

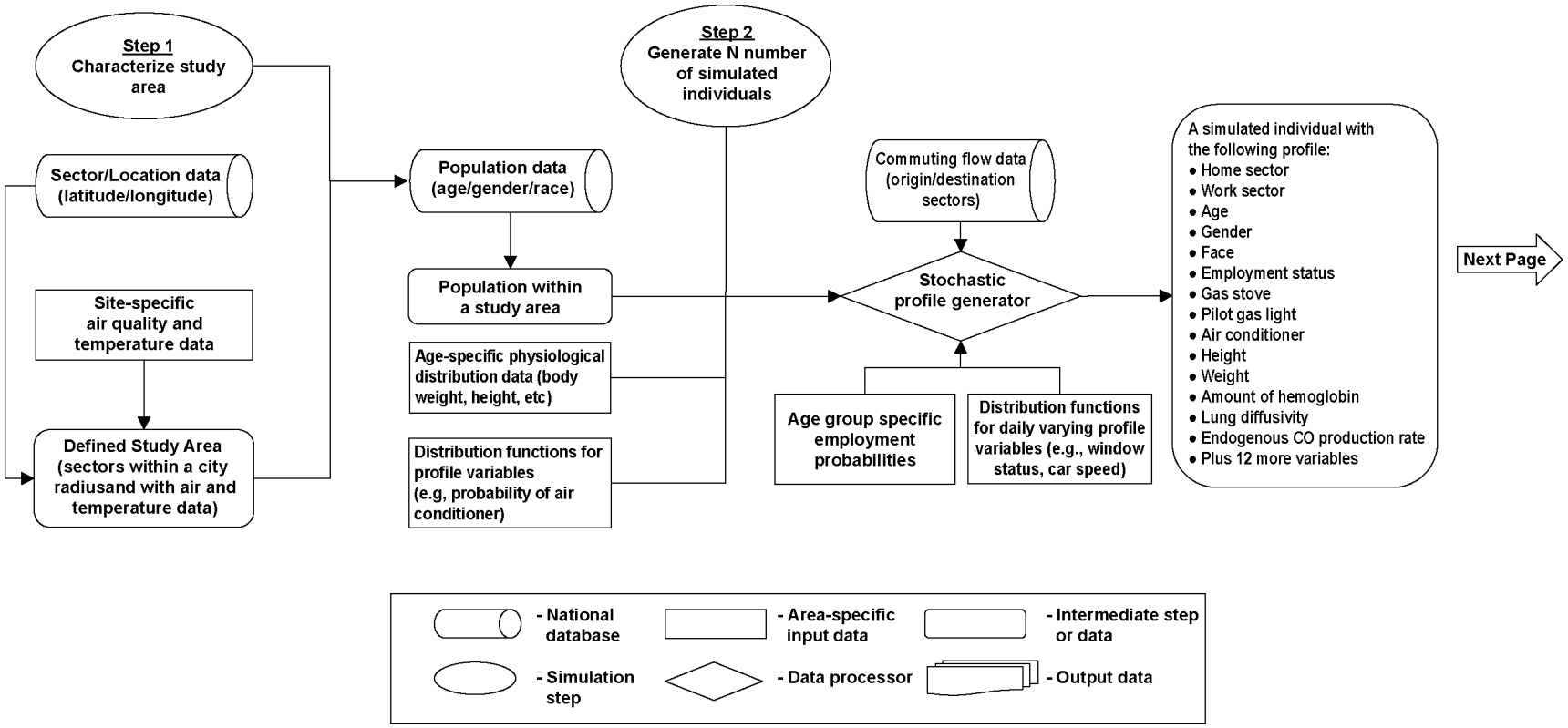

Figure AX3-87a. Detailed diagram illustrating components of an exposure model.

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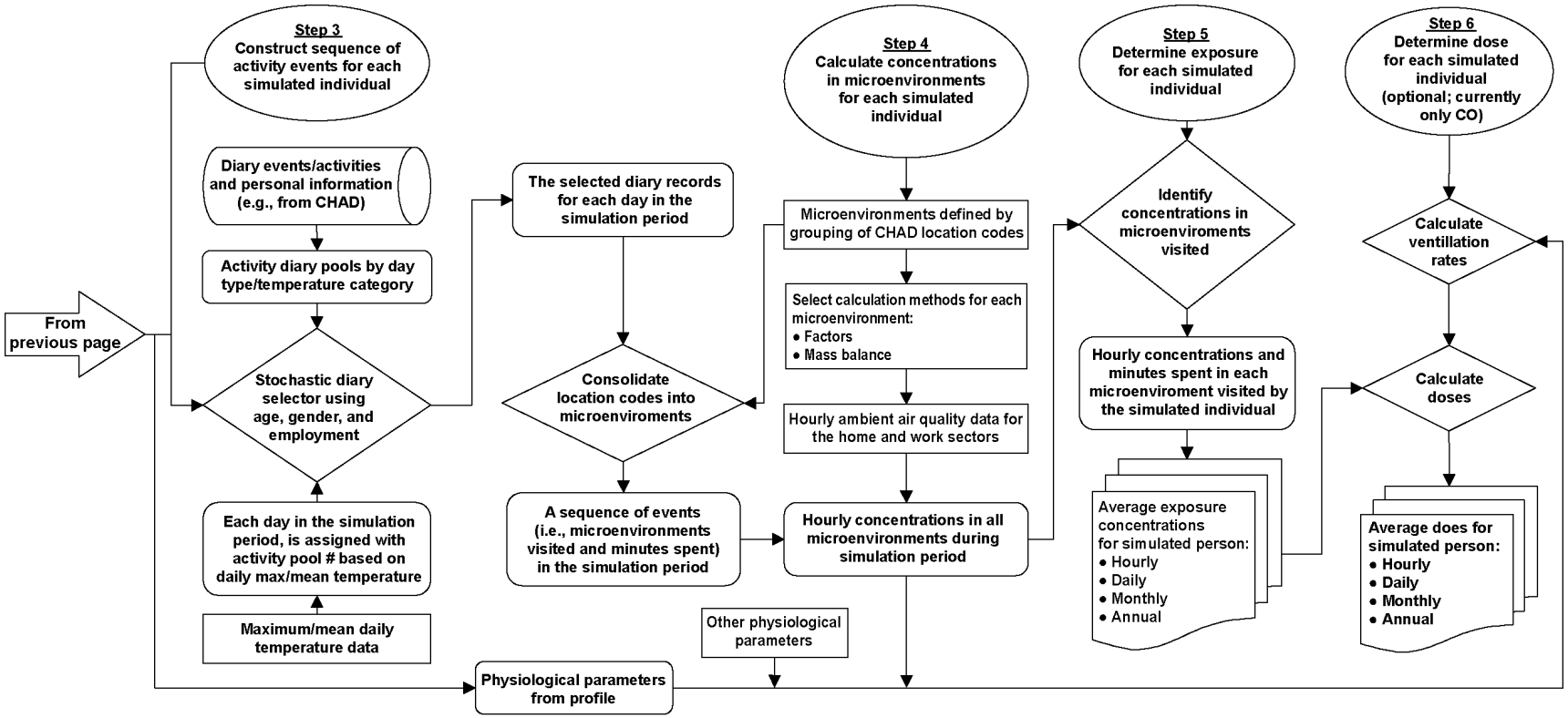

Figure AX3-87b. Detailed diagram illustrating components of an exposure model.

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technologies such as Relational Database Management Systems (RDBMS) and Geographic Information Systems (Purushothaman and Georgopoulos, 1997, 1999a,b).

AX3.10.6.1 Population Exposure Models

Existing comprehensive inhalation exposure models treat human activity patterns as sequences of exposure events in which each event is defined by a geographic location and microenvironment. The U.S. EPA has supported the most comprehensive efforts in this area, leading to the development of the National Ambient Air Quality Standard Exposure Model and Probabilistic National Ambient Air Quality Standard Exposure Model (NEM and pNEM) (Johnson, 2003) and the Modeling Environment for Total Risk Studies/Simulation of Human Exposure and Dose System (MENTOR/SHEDS) (McCurdy et al., 2000). The Total Risk Integrated Methodology Inhalation Exposure (TRIM.Expo) model, also referred to as the Air Pollutants Exposure (APEX) model, was developed by the U.S. EPA as a tool for estimating human population exposure to criteria and air toxic pollutants. TRIM.Expo serves as the human inhalation exposure model within the Total Risk Integrated Methodology (TRIM) framework (ICF Consulting and ManTech Environmental Technology, Inc. (2003)). TRIM.Expo, a PC-based model derived from the probabilistic NAAQS Exposure Model (pNEM), was used in the last O_3 NAAQS review (Johnson et al., 1996a, 1996b). Over the past five years, TRIM.Expo has undergone several significant improvements in the science reflected in the model and in the databases input to the model.

Recent European efforts have produced some formulations that have similar general attributes as the above models but generally involve major simplifications in some of their components. Examples of recent European models addressing O_3 exposures include the AirPEx (Air Pollution Exposure) model (Freijer et al., 1998), which basically replicates the pNEM approach, and the AirQUIS (Air Quality Information System) model (Clench-Aas et al., 1999).

The NEM/pNEM, TRIM.Expo, and MENTOR/SHEDS families of models provide exposure estimates, defined by concentration and minute ventilation rate for each individual exposure event, and provide distributions of exposure and O_3 dose over any averaging period of concern from 1 h to an entire O_3 season. The above families of models also simulate certain aspects of the variability and uncertainty in the principal factors affecting exposure. pNEM divides the population of interest into representative cohorts based on the combinations of

demographic characteristics (age, gender, employment), home/work district, residential cooking fuel, and then assigns activity diary records (Glen et al., 1997) to each cohort according to demographic characteristic, season, day-type (weekday/weekend), and temperature. TRIM.Expo and MENTOR/SHEDS generates a population demographic file containing a user-defined number of person-records for each census tract of the population based on proportions of characteristic variables (age, gender, employment, housing) obtained for the population of interest, and then assigns the matching activity information based on the characteristic variables. A discussion of databases on time-activity data, and their influence on estimates of long-term ambient O_3 exposure, can be found in Künzli et al. (1997), McCurdy (2000), and McCurdy et al. (2000).

More recent exposure models are designed (or have been redesigned) to obtain such information from CHAD (Consolidated Human Activities Database; www.epa.gov/chadnet1; see Table AX3-18). There are now about 22,600 person-days of sequential daily activity pattern data in CHAD. All ages of both genders are represented in CHAD. The data for each subject consist of one or more days of sequential activities, in which each activity is defined by start time, duration, activity type (140 categories), and microenvironment classification (110 categories). Activities vary from 1 min to 1 h in duration. Activities longer than 1 h are subdivided into clock-hour durations to facilitate exposure modeling. A distribution of values for the ratio of oxygen uptake rate to body mass (referred to as metabolic equivalents or METs) is provided for each activity type listed. The forms and parameters of these distributions were determined through an extensive review of the exercise and nutrition literature. The primary source of distributional data was Ainsworth et al. (1993), a compendium developed specifically to "facilitate the coding of physical activities and to promote comparability across studies." Other information on activity patterns has been reported by Klepeis et al. (1996, 2001); Avol et al. (1998b); Adams (1993); Shamoo et al. (1994); Linn et al. (1996); Künzli et al. (1997).

Use of the information in CHAD provides a rational way for incorporating realistic intakes into exposure models by linking inhalation rates to activity information. As mentioned earlier, an exposure event sequence derived from activity-diary data is assigned to each population unit (cohort for pNEM- or REHEX-type models, or individual for TRIM.Expo or MENTOR/SHEDS-type models). Each exposure event is typically defined by a start and duration time, a geographic location and microenvironment, and activity level. The most recent pNEM,

Table AX3-18. Activity Pattern Studies Included in the Consolidated Human Activity Database (CHAD)

Study Name	Calendar Time Period of the Study	Age[1]	Days[2]	Diary		Rate[5]	Documentation or Reference	Notes
				Type[3]	Time[4]			
Baltimore	Jan-Feb 1997 Jul-Aug 1998	65+	391	Diary; 15-min blocks	24-h Standard	No	Williams et al. (2000a,b)	Multiple days, varying from 5-15; part of a $PM_{2.5}$ PEM study
CARB: Adolescents and Adults	Oct 1987-Sept 1988	12-94	1762	Retrospective	24-h Standard	No	Robinson et al. (1991) Wiley et al. (1991a)	
CARB: Children	Apr 1989-Feb 1990	0-11	1200	Retrospective	24-h Standard	No	Wiley et al. (1991b)	
Cincinnati (EPRI)	Mar-Apr and Aug 1985	0-86	2614	Diary	24 h; nominal 7 pm-7 am	Yes	Johnson (1989)	3 consecutive days; 186 P-D removed[7]
Denver (EPA)	Nov 1982-Feb 1983	18-70	805	Diary	24 h; nominal 7 pm-7 am	No	Akland et al. (1985) Johnson (1984)	Part of CO PEM[6] study; 2 consec. days; 55 P-D removed[7]
Los Angeles: Elem. School Children	Oct 1989	10-12	51	Diary	24-h Standard	Yes	Spier et al. (1992)	7 P-D removed[7]
Los Angeles: High School Adoles.	Sept-Oct 1990	13-17	43	Diary	24-h Standard	Yes	Spier et al. (1992)	23 P-D removed[7]
National: NHAPS-A[8]	Sept 1992-Oct 1994	0-93	4723	Retrospective	24-h Standard	No[9]	Klepeis et al. (1995) Tsang and Klepeis (1996)	A national random-probability survey
National: NHAPS-B[8]	As above	0-93	4663	Retrospective	24-h Standard	No[9]	As above	As above
University of Michigan: Children	Feb-Dec 1997	0-13	5616	Retrospective	24-h Standard	No	Institute for Social Research (1997)	2 days of data: one is a weekend day
Valdez, AK	Nov 1990-Oct 1991	11-71	401	Retrospective	Varying 24-h period	No	Goldstein et al. (1992)	4 P-D removed[7]
Washington, DC (EPA)	Nov 1982-Feb 1983	18-98	699	Diary	24 h; nominal 7 pm-7 am	No	Akland et al. (1985) Hartwell et al. (1984)	Part of a CO PEM[6] study; 6 P-D removed[7]

[1] All studies included both genders. The age range depicted is for the subjects actually included; in most cases, there was not an upper limit for the adult studies. Ages are inclusive. Age 0 = babies < 1 year old.
[2] The actual number of person-days of data in CHAD after the "flagging" and removal of questionable data. See the text for a discussion of these procedures.
[3] Retrospective: a "what did you do yesterday" type of survey; also known as an ex post survey. Diary: a "real-time" paper diary that a subject carried as he or she went through the day.
[4] Standard = midnight to midnight.
[5] Was activity-specific breathing rate data collected?
[6] PEM = a personal monitoring study. In addition to the diary, a subject carried a small CO or $PM_{2.5}$ monitor throughout the sampling period.
[7] P-D removed = The number of person-days of activity pattern data removed from consolidated CHAD because of missing activity *and* location information; completeness criteria are listed in the text.
[8] National Human Activity Pattern Study; A = the air version; B = the water version. The activity data obtained on the two versions are identical.
[9] A question was asked regarding which activities (within each 6-h time block in the day) involved "heavy breathing," lifting heavy objects, and running hard.

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2004a)

TRIM.Expo, and MENTOR/SHEDS models have defined activity levels using the activity classification coding scheme incorporated into CHAD. A probabilistic module within the TRIM.Expo and MENTOR/SHEDS-type models converts the activity classification code of each exposure event to an energy expenditure rate, which in turn is converted into an estimate of oxygen uptake rate. The oxygen uptake rate is then converted into an estimate of ventilation rate ($\dot{V}_E$), expressed in L/min. Johnson (2001) reviewed the physiological principles incorporated into the algorithms used in pNEM and TRIM.Expo to convert each activity classification code to an oxygen uptake rate and describes the additional steps required to convert oxygen uptake to $\dot{V}_E$.

McCurdy (1997a,b, 2000) recommended that ventilation rate be estimated as a function of energy expenditure rate. The energy expended by an individual during a particular activity can be expressed as:

$$EE = (MET)(RMR) \quad \text{(AX3-4)}$$

where EE is the average energy expenditure rate (kcal/min) during the activity, MET (metabolic equivalent of work) is a ratio specific to the activity and is dimensionless, and RMR is the resting metabolic rate of the individual expressed in terms of number of energy units expended per unit of time (kcal/min). If RMR is specified for an individual, then the above equation requires only an activity-specific estimate of MET to produce an estimate of the energy expenditure rate for a given activity. McCurdy et al. (2000) developed MET distributions for the activity classifications appearing in the CHAD database.

An important source of uncertainty in existing exposure modeling involves the creation of multiday, seasonal, or year long exposure activity sequences based on 1- to 3-day activity data for any given individual from CHAD. Currently, appropriate longitudinal data are not available and the existing models use various rules to derive longer-term activity sequences using 24-h activity data from CHAD.

The pNEM family of models used by the EPA has evolved considerably since the introduction of the first NEM model in the 1980s (Biller et al., 1981). The first such implementations of pNEM/O_3 in the 1980s used a reduced form of a mass balance equation to

estimate indoor O_3 concentrations from outdoor concentrations. The second generation of pNEM/O_3 was developed in 1992 and used a simple mass balance model to estimate indoor O_3 concentrations. Subsequent enhancements to pNEM/O_3 and its input databases included revisions to the methods used to estimate equivalent ventilation rates (ventilation rate divided by body surface), to determine commuting patterns, and to adjust ambient O_3 levels to simulate attainment of proposed NAAQS. During the mid-1990s, the EPA applied updated versions of pNEM/O_3 to three different population groups in nine selected urban areas (Chicago, Denver, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, and Washington): (1) the general population of urban residents, (2) outdoor workers, and (3) children who tended to spend more time outdoors than the average child. Reports by Johnson et al. (1996a,b,c) describe these versions of pNEM/O_3 and summarize the results of the application of the model to the nine urban areas. These versions of pNEM/O_3 used a revised probabilistic mass balance model to determine O_3 concentrations over 1-h periods in indoor and in-vehicle microenvironments (Johnson, 2003). The model assumed that there are no indoor sources of O_3, that the outdoor O_3 concentration and AER during the clock hour is constant at a specified value, and that O_3 decays at a rate proportional to the outdoor O_3 concentration and the indoor O_3 concentration.

The new pNEM-derived model, TRIM.Expo, differs from earlier pNEM models in that the probabilistic features of the model are incorporated into a Monte Carlo framework. Instead of dividing the population of interest into a set of cohorts, TRIM.Expo generates individuals as if they were being randomly sampled from the population. TRIM.Expo provides each generated individual with a demographic profile that specifies values for all parameters required by the model. The values are selected from distributions and databases that are specific to the age, gender, and other specifications stated in the demographic profile. The EPA plans to develop future versions of TRIM.Expo applicable to O_3 and other criteria pollutants.

The latest version of TRIM.Expo allows for finer geographical units such as census tracts and automatically assigns population to the nearest monitor within a cutoff distance. Exposure district-specific temperatures can be specified and the user can select the variables that affect each parameter (e.g., the AER parameter in certain indoor microenvironments may depend on air conditioning status or window position). The mass balance algorithms have been enhanced to allow window position or vehicle speed to also be considered in determining AERs.

The TRIM.Expo model simulates individual movement through time and space to provide an estimate of exposure to a given pollutant in the indoor, outdoor, and in-vehicle microenvironments. The model is highly versatile, allowing input data for specific applications. TRIM.Expo provides a good balance in terms of precision and resource expenditure compare with the more narrowly focused site-specific model and the broadly applicable national screening-level models.

A key strength of TRIM.Expo is its ability to estimate hourly exposures and doses for all simulated individuals in the sampled population. TRIM.Expo is capable of estimating exposures of workers in the geographic area where they work, in addition to the geographic area where they live. TRIM.Expo is able to represent much of the variability in the exposure estimates resulting from the variability of the factors affecting human exposure by incorporating stochastic processes representing the natural variability of personal profile characteristics, activity patterns, and microenvironment parameters .

A limitation of TRIM.Expo is that uncertainty in the predicted distributions has not been addressed. Certain aspects of the personal profiles are held constant (e.g., age) which could be an issue for simulations with long timeframes. The combined data set for activity patterns (CHAD) are from a number of different studies and may not constitute a representative sample. However, the largest portion of CHAD (about 40 percent) is from a study of national scope and research has shown that activity patterns are generally similar once you take into account age, gender, day of week, and season/temperature. The commuting data addresses only home-to-work travel and may not accurately reflect current commuting patterns. The population not employed outside the home is assumed to always remain in the residential census tract. Although several of the TRIM.Expo microenvironments account for time spent in travel, the travel is assumed to always occur in basically a composite of the home and work tract. Seasonal or year long sequences for a simulated individual are created by sampling human activity data from more than one subject, possibly causing an underestimation of the variability from person to person and an overestimation of the day to day variability for any given individual. The model does not capture certain correlations among human activities that can impact microenvironmental concentrations (e.g., cigarette smoking leading to an individual opening a window, which in turn affects the amount of outdoor air penetrating the residence).

MENTOR/SHEDS estimates the population distribution of pollutant exposure by randomly sampling from various input distributions. MENTOR/SHEDS is capable of simulating individuals exposures in eight microenvironments (outdoors, residence, office, school, store, restaurant, bar, and vehicles) using spatial concentration data for each census tract for outdoor pollutant concentrations. The indoor and in-vehicle pollutant concentrations are calculated using specific equations for the microenvironment and ambient pollutant concentration relationship. Model simulations use demographic data at the census tract level. Randomly selected characteristics for a fixed number of individual are selected to match demographics within the census tract for age, gender, employment status, and housing type. Smoking prevalence statistics by gender and age is randomly selected for each individual in the simulation. Diaries for activity patterns are matched for the simulated individual by demographic characteristics. The essential attributes of some of the O_3 exposure models and approaches are summarized in Table AX3-19.

Rifai et al. (2000) compared applications of an updated version of REHEX, REHEX-II. The applications used NHAPS data for the southern states and the 48-state NHAPS or the Houston-specific time-activity pattern data. The results indicated a sensitivity to the specificity of the activity data: using Houston-specific data resulted in higher estimates of human exposure in some of the scenarios. For example, using NHAPS data lead to an estimated 275 thousand-exposure-hours between 120 to 130 ppb, while use of the Houston-specific activity data lead to an estimated 297 thousand-exposure-hours between 120 and 130 ppb (8% higher). Using the Houston-specific activity data in the model resulted in about 2,400 person-exposure-hours above 190 to 200 ppb O_3 while no exposure above this threshold was estimated when the NHAPS activity were used in the model.

Of the above families of models only NEM/pNEM implementations have been extensively applied to O_3 studies. However, it is anticipated that TRIM.Expo will be useful as an exposure modeling tool for assessing both criteria and hazardous air pollutants in the future. The 1996 O_3 AQCD (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a) focused on the pNEM/O_3 family of models, referring to the review by McCurdy (1994) for the fundamental principles underlying its formulation and listing, in addition to the "standard" version, three pNEM/O_3-derived models (the Systems Applications International NEM [SAI/NEM]; the Regional Human Exposure Model [REHEX]; and the Event Probability Exposure Model [EPEM]).

Table AX3-19. Personal and Population Exposure Models for Ozone

Model Name	Model Type	Microenvironments or Predictors	Notes	Reference
pNEM	Probabilistic	General population, outdoor workers, outdoor children	Provides estimates of exposure within a defined population for a specified period of time. Uses activity records from CHAD and CADS	Johnson et al. (1996a,b,c)
TRIM.Expo	PC-based	Outdoors, indoor residence, in-vehicle	Simulates movement through time and space. Estimates hourly exposures and doses. Uncertainties in predicted distributions have not been addressed.	ICF Consulting and ManTech Environmental Technology, Inc. (2003)
Mentor/SHEDS	Probabilistic	General population, outdoors, indoors, in-vehicle	Employees detailed person oriented exposure approach that includes personal activity data, physiology, and microenvironmental conditions. Allows calculation of exposure and dose for each activity event.	Georgopoulos et al. (2005)
REHEX		General population	Provides estimates of exposure for 1-day to 3 yrs. Can represent variability in activities of the population to capture extremes in exposure distributions.	Lurmann and Colome (1991)

AX3.10.6.2 Ambient Concentrations Models

As mentioned earlier, background and regional outdoor concentrations of pollutants over a study domain may be calculated either through emissions-based mechanistic modeling or through ambient-data-based modeling. Emissions-based models calculate the spatiotemporal fields of the pollutant concentrations using precursor emissions and meteorological conditions as inputs. The ambient-data-based models typically calculate spatial or spatiotemporal distributions of the pollutant through the use of interpolation schemes, based on either deterministic or stochastic models for allocating monitor station observations to the nodes of a virtual regular grid covering the region of interest. (See later discussion on population exposure models). Kriging, a geostatistical technique, provides standard procedures for generating an interpolated O_3 spatial distribution for a given time period, using data from a set of observation points. The kriging approach, with parameters calculated specifically for each hour of the period of concern, was compared to the Urban Airshed Model (UAM-IV), a comprehensive photochemical grid-based model for deriving concentration fields. The concentration fields were then linked with corresponding population data to calculate potential outdoor population exposure. Higher exposure estimates were obtained with the photochemical grid-based model when O_3 concentrations were <120 ppb, however, the situation was reversed when O_3 concentrations exceeded 120 ppb. The authors concluded that kriging O_3 values at the locations studied can reconstruct aspects of population exposure distributions (Georgopoulos et al., 1997a,b).

Carroll et al. (1997a,b) developed a spatial-temporal model, with a deterministic trend component, to model hourly O_3 levels with the capacity to predict O_3 concentrations at any location in Harris County, Texas during the time period between 1980 and 1993. A fast model-fitting method was developed to handle the large amount of available data and the substantial amount of missing data. Ozone concentration data used consisted of hourly measurements from 9 to 12 monitoring stations for the years 1980 to 1993. Using information from the census tract, the authors estimated that exposure of young children to O_3 declined by approximately 20% over the analysis period. The authors also suggested that the O_3 monitors are not sited in locations to adequately measure population exposures. Several researchers have questioned the suitability of the model for addressing spatial variations in O_3 (Guttorp et al., 1997; Cressie, 1997; Stein and Fang, 1997).

Spatiotemporal distributions of O_3 concentrations have alternatively been obtained using methods of the "Spatio-Temporal Random Field" (STRF) theory (Christakos and Vyas, 1998a,b). The STRF approach interpolates monitoring data in both space and time simultaneously. This method can analyze information on "temporal trends," which cannot be incorporated directly in purely spatial interpolation methods such as standard kriging. Further, the STRF method can optimize the use of data that are not uniformly sampled in either space or time. The STRF theory was further extended in the Bayesian Maximum Entropy (BME) framework and applied to O_3 interpolation studies (Christakos and Hristopulos, 1998; Christakos and Kolovos, 1999; Christakos, 2000). The BME framework can use prior information in the form of "hard data" (measurements), probability law descriptors (type of distribution, mean and variance), interval estimation (maximum and minimum values) and even constraint from physical laws. According to these researchers, both STRF and BME were found to successfully reproduce O_3 fields when adequate monitor data are available.

AX3.10.6.3 Microenvironmental Concentration Models

Once specific ambient/local spatiotemporal O_3 concentration patterns have been derived, microenvironments that can represent either outdoor or indoor settings must be characterized. This process can involve modeling of various local sources and sinks as well as interrelationships between ambient/local and microenvironmental concentration levels. Three approaches have been used in the past to model microenvironmental concentrations: empirical, mass balance, and detailed computational fluid dynamics (CFD).

The empirical fitting approach has been used to summarize the findings of recent field studies (Liu et al., 1995, 1997; Avol et al., 1998a). These empirical relationships could provide the basis for future, "prognostic" population exposure models.

Mass balance modeling has ranged from very simple formulations, assuming ideal (homogeneous) mixing and only linear physicochemical transformations with sources and sinks, to models that take into account complex multiphase chemical and physical interactions and nonidealities in mixing. Mass balance modeling is the most common approach used to model pollutant concentrations in enclosed microenvironments. As discussed earlier, the simplest microenvironmental setting is a homogeneously mixed compartment in contact with possibly both outdoor/local environments as well as with other microenvironments. The air quality of

this idealized microenvironment is affected primarily by transport processes (including infiltration of outdoor air into indoor air compartments, advection between microenvironments, and convective transport); sources and sinks (local outdoor emissions, indoor emissions, surface deposition); and local outdoor and indoor gas and aerosol phase chemistry transformation processes (such as the formation of secondary organic and inorganic aerosols).

Numerous indoor air quality modeling studies have been reported in the literature; however, depending on the modeling scenario, only a limited number address physical and chemical processes that affect O_3 concentrations indoors (Nazaroff and Cass, 1986; Hayes, 1989, 1991). An example of a mass balance indoor air model for O_3 and benzene can be found in the work of Freijer and Bloemen (2000). They used outdoor O_3 measurements to parameterize a simplified linearized formulation of transport, transformation, and sources and sinks in the indoor microenvironment.

The pNEM/O_3 model includes a sophisticated mass balance model for enclosed (indoor and vehicle) microenvironments. The general form of this mass balance model is a differential equation that accounts for outdoor concentration, AER, penetration rate, decay rate, and indoor sources. Each of these parameters is represented by a probability distribution or by a dynamic relationship to other parameters that may change according to time of day, temperature, air conditioning status, window status, or other factors (Johnson, 2003). The simplest form of the model is represented by the following differential equation for a perfectly mixed microenvironment without an air cleaner:

$$\frac{dC_{IN}}{dt} = vC_{OUT} + \frac{S}{V} - vC_{IN} \qquad \text{(AX3-5)}$$

where dC_{IN} is the indoor pollutant concentration (mass/volume), t is time in hours, v is the air exchange rate, C_{OUT} is the outdoor pollutant concentration (mass/volume), V is the volume of the microenvironment, and S is the indoor source emission rate.

Nazaroff and Cass (1986) extended the mass balance model to include multiple compartments and interactions between different compounds. The extended model takes into account the effects of ventilation, filtration, heterogeneous removal, direct emission, and

photolytic and thermal and chemical reactions. A more in-depth discussion of the mass balance model may be found in Shair and Heitner (1974) and in Nazaroff and Cass (1986).

Freijer and Bloemen (2000) used the one-compartment mass balance model to examine the relationship between O_3 I/O ratios as influenced by time patterns in outdoor concentrations, ventilation rate, and indoor emissions. The microenvironment was 250 m^3. Three different ventilation patterns with the same long-term average AER (0.64 h^{-1}) were used. A source pattern (direct emissions) of zero was used, because O_3 sources are not common. The time series for outdoor O_3 concentrations consisted of 100-day periods during the summer, with hourly measured concentrations. The following assumptions were made: (1) O_3 concentration in the air that enters the microenvironment is equal to the concentration of the outside air minus the fraction removed by filtration, (2) the O_3 concentration that leaves the microenvironment equals the O_3 concentration in the microenvironment, (3) the decay processes in the microenvironment are proportional to the mass of the pollutant, and (4) addition or removal of O_3 in the microenvironment also may occur through independent sources and sinks.

Figure AX3-88 represents the measured outdoor O_3 concentrations and modeled indoor O_3

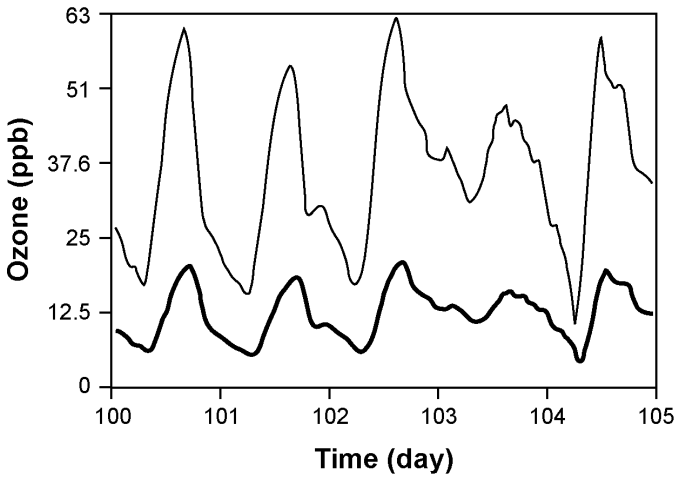

Figure AX3-88. Measured outdoor O_3 concentrations (thin line) and modeled indoor concentrations (bold line).

Source: Adapted from Freijer and Bloemen (2000).

concentrations. The indoor modeled O_3 concentrations were found to equal approximately 33% of the outdoor monitored concentrations.

Few indoor air models have considered detailed nonlinear chemistry, which, however, can have a significant effect on the indoor air quality, especially in the presence of strong indoor sources. Indeed, the need for more comprehensive models that can take into account the complex, multiphase processes that affect indoor concentrations of interacting gas phase pollutants and particulate matter has been recognized and a number of formulations have appeared in recent years. For example, the Exposure and Dose Modeling and Analysis System (EDMAS) (Georgopoulos et al., 1997a) included an indoor model with detailed gas-phase atmospheric chemistry. This indoor model accounts for interactions of O_3 with indoor sinks and sources (surfaces, gas releases) and with entrained gas. The indoor model was dynamically coupled with the outdoor photochemical air quality models, UAM-IV and UAM-V (Urban Airshed Models), which provided the gas-phase composition of entrained air, and with a physiologically based O_3 uptake and dosimetry model. Subsequent work (Isukapalli and Georgopoulos, 2000; Isukapalli et al., 1999) expanded the framework and features of the EDMAS model to incorporate alternative representations of gas-phase chemistry as well as multiphase O_3 chemistry and gas/aerosol interactions. The new model is a component of the integrated Modeling Environment for Total Risk studies (MENTOR).

Sarwar et al. (2001, 2002) modeled estimates of indoor hydroxyl radical concentrations using a new indoor air quality model, Indoor Chemistry and Exposure Model (ICEM). The ICEM uses a modified SAPRC-99 atmospheric chemistry mechanism to simulate indoor hydroxyl radical production and consumption from reactions of alkenes with O_3. It also allows for the simulation of transport processes between indoor and outdoor environments, indoor emissions, chemical reactions, and deposition. Indoor hydroxyl radicals, produced from O_3 that penetrates indoors, can adversely impact indoor air quality through dark chemistry to produce photochemical oxidants.

Sørensen and Weschler (2002) used CFD modeling to examine the production of a hypothetical product from an O_3-terpene reaction under two different ventilation scenarios. The computational grid used in the model was nonuniform. There were significant variations in the concentrations of reactants between locations in the room, resulting in varying reaction rates. Because the "age of the air" differed at different locations in the room, the time available for reactions to occur also differed between locations.

Very few studies have focused on mechanistic modeling of outdoor microenvironments. Fraigneau et al. (1995) developed a simple model to account for fast NO-O_3 reaction/dispersion in the vicinity of a motorway. Proyou et al. (1998) applied a simple three-layer photochemical box model to an Athens street canyon. However, the adjustments of O_3 levels for sources, sinks, and mixing in outdoor microenvironments are done in a phenomenological manner in existing exposure models, driven by limited available observations. On-going research is evaluating approaches for quantifying local effects on outdoor O_3 chemistry in specific settings.

Finally, one issue that should be mentioned is that of evaluating comprehensive prognostic exposure modeling studies, for either individuals or populations, with field data. Attempts had been made to evaluate pNEM/O_3-type models using personal exposure measurements (Johnson et al., 1990). Although databases that would be adequate for performing a comprehensive evaluation are not expected to be available any time soon, a number of studies are building the necessary information base, as discussed previously. Some of these studies report field observations of personal, indoor, and outdoor O_3 concentrations and describe simple semiempirical personal exposure models that are parameterized using observational data and regression techniques.

AX3.10.7 Measured Exposures and Monitored Concentrations

AX3.10.7.1 Personal Exposure Measurements

Passive O_3 monitors have been used in several field studies to determine average daily O_3 exposure as well as in scripted studies to evaluate O_3 exposures over one to several-hour time periods. Table AX3-20 list the results of O_3 exposure studies. Delfino et al. (1996) measured 12-h personal daytime O_3 exposures in asthmatic patients in San Diego from September through October 1993. They found that the mean personal exposures were 27% of the mean outdoor concentrations. Individual exposure levels among the 12 asthmatic subjects aged 9 to 16 years varied greatly. Mean personal O_3 exposure levels were lower on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday than on other days of the week (10 versus 13 ppb), while the ambient air concentrations were higher Friday through Sunday. The authors suggested that the differences were due to higher weekday NO emissions from local traffic which titrated the ambient O_3 levels. The lower personal exposure levels on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday may have been an artifact of greater noncompliance, with the badges remaining indoors and, therefore, being exposed to lower O_3

Table AX3-20. Personal Exposure Measurements

Location, Population, Sample Duration	n	Personal Exposure Mean[a] (range) (ppb)	Reference
San Diego, CA, Asthmatics ages 9-18 years, 12 hour	12	12 ± 12 (0-84) 10 weekend 12 weekday	Delfino et al. (1996)
Vancouver, Canada, Adult Workers, Daily	585		Brauer and Brook (1997)
High indoor time		(ND-9)	
Moderate indoor time		(ND-12)	
Only outdoor		(2-44)	
Southern California, Subjects 10-38 years	24		Liu et al. (1997)
Spring		13.6 ± 2.5 (- to 80)	
Fall		10.5 ± 2.5 (- to 50)	
Montpellier, France, Adults, Hourly	16	34.3 ± 17.6 (6.5-88)	Bernard et al. (1999)
Winter		15.4 ± 7.7 (6.5-40)	
Summer		44.1 ± 18.2(11-88)	
Souther California, Children 6-12 years,	169		Geyh et al. (2000)
≥ 6 days		6.2 ± 4.7 (0.5-41)	
Upland - winter		19 ± 18 (0.5-63)	
- summer		5.7 ± 4.2 (0.5-31)	
Mountain - winter		25 ± 24 (0.5-72)	
- summer			
Baltimore, MD, Technician, Hourly[b]	1		Chang et al. (2000)
Winter		3.5 ± 7.5 (ND-49)	
Summer		15 ± 18 (ND-76)	
Baltimore, MD, Adults 75 ± 7 years, Daily	20		Sarnat et al. (2000)
Winter		3.5 ± 3.0 (ND-9.9)	
Summer		0. ± 1.8 (ND-2.8)	

[a]ND = not detected.

[b]Measurements made following scripted activities for 15 days.

concentrations. The overall correlation between the personal exposure concentrations between any two individuals and with the outdoor stationary site was only moderate (r = 0.45; range: 0.36 to 0.69). The O_3 concentrations at the stationary site exceeded the personal levels by an average of 31 ppb. Avol et al. (1998b) observed a poor correlation between personal exposure and fixed-site monitoring concentrations (r = 0.28, n = 1336 pairs) for a cohort of children (healthy, wheezy, and asthmatic). Personal exposure measurements were generally lower than integrated hourly data. Sarnat et al. (2000) measured personal O_3 exposures during a 12-day longitudinal study of 20 older adults (>64 years) in Baltimore, MD. The subjects spent >94% of

the time indoors. Ten subjects participated in the summer and winter exposures and the remaining 10 participated in either the summer or winter exposure. No statistically significant overall correlations were identified between the personal and the ambient O_3 concentrations during either the winter or summer. Only a single individual (n = 14 summer and 13 winter) had a significant correlation with outdoor concentrations. Geyh et al. (2000) measured indoor and outdoor concentration and personal O_3 exposures in 169 elementary school children from 116 homes during a year-long sampling protocol in 2 communities in southern California (Upland and Mountain communities). Samples were collected for 1 week per month. Boys had higher O_3 exposure than girls, probably reflecting the greater amount of time boys spent outdoors compared to girls (3.8 versus 3.2 h for the spring/summer and 2.9 versus 2.2 h for the fall/winter). The average personal O_3 exposures were lower than the levels measured at the nearest monitor stations retrieved from the AIRS. There was no significant difference in the O_3 exposure for both groups during the non-O_3 season (6.2 and 5.7 ppb for Upland and the mountain communities, respectively), however, children in the mountainous region were exposed to 35% more O3 than children in Upland during the O_3 season (18.8 and 25.4 ppb for Upland and the mountain communities) (two-tailed *t*-test, $p < 0.01$). During the O_3 season, differences were found in indoor concentrations and personal O_3 exposures between the two communities participating in the study based on ambient air concentrations and differences in air exchange rates in the homes.

Brauer and Brook (1997) conducted personal exposure evaluations in three groups in Frazer Valley, Vancouver, Canada. The groups were divided by the amount of time spent outdoors: (1) the majority of the workday was spent indoors or commuting (25 medical clinic workers), (2) an intermediate amount of time was spent outdoors (25 overnight camp staff members), and (3) the entire exposure monitoring period was outdoors (15 adult farm workers). Time-activity data were collected for the first two groups to assess the proportion of time spent outdoors. For groups 1 and 2, the lowest quartile of participants based on the fraction of time spent outdoors (0 to 25% and 7.5 to 45%, respectively) had significantly lower O_3 exposure (mean personal exposure to outdoor concentration ratio = 0.18 and 0.35, respectively) compared to those in the upper quartile (mean ratio = 0.51 and 0.58, respectively; $p < 0.05$; Bonferroni multiple range test). The mean ratio was 0.96 with values ranging from near 0 to 2 for group 3, the group that spent the entire exposure-monitoring period outdoors. The authors attributed the

extreme low ratios to random measurement error at low O_3 air concentrations (estimated at 35%), local variability in O_3 concentrations, and to differences between ground-level concentrations (where the personal samples were collected) 3-m above ground level (where the continuous monitors were located). The highest ratios may be due to either locale variability in O_3 concentrations or to an interference affecting the personal O_3 samplers, particularly at the lower concentration range, leading to a small positive error. Temporal plots of O_3 for the mean daily personal exposures and ambient concentrations showed the same general trend with general agreement between the personal exposures and ambient air concentrations for group 3. However, for groups 1 and 2, the day-to-day variability of the personal exposures and ambient O_3 concentrations had consistent patterns, suggesting that the ambient air was the primary source for O_3 exposure. The day-to-day variability in personal and continuous measurements was 0.60, 0.42, and 0.64 for groups 1 through 3, respectively. The actual O_3 concentrations measured in the personal air space were always considerably lower than the ambient concentrations. Bernard et al. (1999) assessed O_3 personal exposure and in the home and outdoor O concentration for up to 110 subjects. Measurements were conducted over 5-day periods between June 1995 and October 1996. As anticipated, O_3 concentrations were higher during the warmer months. Mean O_3 concentrations for 70 subjects were 22, 35, 17.4, 40.5, and 18 ppb for personal, outdoor home, indoor home, outdoor work, and indoor work, respectively for measurements made during the warmer months.

In a study by Liard et al. (1999), 55 mild to moderate asthmatic adults (18 to 65 y old) and 39 children (7 to 15 y old) were monitored for O_3 exposure. Subjects were monitored during three periods, 4 days per monitoring period and asked to keep a diary of time spent outdoors and in a car. Many of the study subjects O_3 exposures were often below the level of detection for the method used. Ozone exposure levels correlated with the hours spent outdoors. Ozone personal exposure correlated poorly with the ambient monitoring measurements, however, the mean values for all subjects correlated with those measurements from the ambient monitoring site ($r = 0.83$, $p < 0.05$). Linn et al. (1996) estimated short-term O_3 exposures in 269 children from three communities in the Los Angeles Basin by monitoring air at head level in school class rooms, on the roof of one level school buildings, and in personal microenvironments of selected individuals. Monitoring was carried out for six weeks in the fall, winter, and spring, two successive weeks per season at each of three schools. Each subject was monitored for one week

in each season over a two year period. According to the authors there were meaningful associations between personal exposures and central monitoring site O_3 measurements ($r = 0.61$). Based on information reported in the questionnaires, outdoor activity increased slightly in communities/seasons with higher pollution.

Lee et al. (2004) found that personal O_3 exposure was positively correlated with time spent outdoors ($r = 0.19$, $p < 0.01$) and negatively correlated with time spent indoors ($r = -0.17$, $p < 0.01$) in elementary school children. Thirty-three elementary school children from two Nashville, TN area school districts participated in a six week long O_3 monitoring study during the summer vacation. The study participants maintained a dairy of daily activities during the study period. An additional 62 children from the same school completed a telephone interview on time/activity at least eight times during the study period. Study participants wore a passive sampler during their non-sleep time and the sampler was placed near their bed at night. A passive monitor also was placed outside and inside of the home. Personal exposure correlated with the amount of time spent outdoors. Exposures ranged from 0.0013 to 0.0064 ppm for indoor concentrations compared to ambient concentrations of 0.011 to 0.042 ppm O_3.

AX3.10.7.2 Monitored Ambient Concentrations

Ozone has been measured more extensively than the other photochemical oxidants. Ambient monitors have been established in most areas of the country, with extensive monitoring in regions that have been in noncompliance with the previous 1-h daily NAAQS. Monitoring station-measured hourly concentrations also have been used as surrogates of exposure in epidemiological studies and in evaluating exposure-related health effects. According to the Guideline on Ozone Monitoring Site Selection (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1998), when designing an O_3 monitoring network, consideration should be given to (1) proximity to combustion emission sources, (2) distance from primary emission sources, and (3) the general wind direction and speed to determine the primary transport pathways of O_3 and its precursors. Finally, the 1-h daily maximum and 8-h average O_3 concentrations can have different spatial patterns with elevated daily 8-h O_3 concentrations typically being over a wider spatial area. Therefore, O_3 monitoring networks should determine the highest concentrations expected to occur in the area, representative concentrations for high population density areas, the impact of

sources or source categories on air pollution levels, and general background concentration levels (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1998).

The guideline also states that the monitor's O_3 inlet probe should be placed at a height and location that best approximates where people are usually found. However, complicating factors (e.g., security considerations, availability) sometimes result in the probe placement being elevated 3 to 15 m above ground level, a different location than the breathing zone (1 to 2 m) of the populace. Although there are some commonalities in the considerations for the sampling design for monitoring and for determining population exposures, differences also exist. These differences between the location and height of the monitor compared to the locations and breathing zone heights of people can result in different O_3 concentrations between what is measured at the monitor and exposure and, therefore, should be considered when using ambient air monitoring data as a surrogate for exposure in epidemiological studies and risk assessments. Further, since most people spend the majority of their time indoors, where O_3 levels tend to be much lower than outdoor ambient levels, the use of ambient monitoring data to determine exposure generally overestimates true personal O_3 exposure, resulting in exposure estimates biased towards the null. Information on monitored ambient concentrations of O_3 and other photochemical oxidants appears earlier in this chapter.

AX3.10.7.3 Ozone Concentrations in Microenvironments

The 1996 O_3 AQCD for Ozone (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996a) reported O_3 I/O ratios for a variety of indoor environments including homes, office/laboratories, a hospital, museums, a school room, and automobiles and other vehicles. Ozone I/O ratios ranged from 0.09 to 1.0 for residences, 0.19 to 0.8 for offices/laboratories, hospital and school rooms, and 0.03 to 0.87 for museums and art galleries. The higher O_3 ratios were generally noted in indoor environments with high AERs or 100% outside air intake. Studies published since completion of the 1996 O_3 AQCD are discussed in this section. The findings of the more recent studies on O_3 I/O ratios are included in Table AX3-21.

Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management (NESCAUM, 2002) monitored levels of O_3 inside and outside of nine schools located in the New England states. The schools represented a variety of environmental conditions in terms of ambient O_3 concentration, sources, geographic location, population density, traffic patterns, and building types. Schools were

Table AX3-21. Indoor/Outdoor Ozone Ratios

Location and Ventilation Conditions	Indoor/Outdoor Ratio Mean (range)	Comments	Reference
Toronto, Canada, Homes Winter – weekly (68) Summer – weekly (38) Summer – 12 h/day (128) – 12 h/night (36)	 0.07 ± 0.10 (ND - 0.63) 0.40 ± 0.29 (ND - 1.15) 0.30 ± 0.32 (ND - 1.42) 0.43 ± 0.54 (ND - 2.89)	Electrostatic air cleaners were present in about 50% of the homes. Air conditioners were present in about 80% of the homes, most were central units that used recycled air. Air conditioners used in only 13 of the 40 homes on a daily basis. Measurements were made both inside and outside of the homes for 5 consecutive 24-h periods. Homes with electrostatic air cleaners had higher I/O ratios during the winter months. The mean average weekly AER for all homes during the winter months was 0.69 ± 0.88 h^{-1} with 50% of the homes with an AER of less than 0.41 h^{-1}. For the summer months, the mean average AER was 1.04 ± 1.28 h^{-1} with 50% of the homes with an AER of less than 0.52 h.	Liu et al. (1995)
Boston, MA, Homes (26) Winter – continuously 24 h Summer – continuously 24 h	 0.30 ± 0.42 (ND - 1.31) 0.22 ± 0.25 (ND - 0.88)	Study examined the potential for O_3 to react with VOCs to form acid aerosols. Carbonyls were formed. No clear trend of O_3 with AERs. The average AER was 0.9 h^{-1} during the winter and 2.6 h^{-1} during the summer. Four residences in winter and nine in summer with 24 h average concentrations. Air concentrations varied from 0-34.2 ppb indoors and 4.4-40.5 ppb outdoors.	Reiss et al. (1995)
Mexico City, School Windows/Doors Open (27) Windows/Doors Closed, cleaner off (41) Windows/Doors Closed, cleaner on (47)	 0.73 ± 0.04 0.17 ± 0.02 0.15 ± 0.02	Study conducted over 4-day period during winter months. Two-min averaged measurements were taken both inside and outside of the school every 30 min from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Estimated air exchange rates were 1.1, 2.1, and 2.5 h^{-1} for low, medium, and high flow rates. Ozone concentrations decreased with increasing relative humidity.	Gold et al. (1996)
Los Angeles, CA Homes (95) Other locations (57)	 0.28 0.18	Study conducted in September. Monitored O_3 concentrations consisted of twenty-one 24-h periods beginning at 7 p.m. and ending at 7 p.m. on the following day. Ozone concentrations were higher at the fixed monitoring sites during the afternoon. The weather was sunny and the temperature was high. I/O ratio was lower when windows were closed. The effect of air conditioning on the I/O was varied.	Johnson (1997)

Table AX3-21 (cont'd). Indoor/Outdoor Ozone Ratios

Location and Ventilation Conditions	Indoor/Outdoor Ratio Mean (range)	Comments	Reference
Mexico City Homes (237) Schools (59)	0.20 ± 0.18 (0.04 - 0.99) 0.1 - 0.3 0.3 - 0.4	Ozone monitoring occurred between September and July. Study included 3 schools and 145 homes. Most of the homes were large and did not have air conditioning. Ninety-two percent of the homes had carpeting, 13% used air filters, and 84% used humidifiers. Thirty-five percent opened windows frequently, 43% sometimes, and 22% never between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Ozone was monitored at the schools sites from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily for 14 consecutive days. Homes were monitored for continuous 24-h periods for 14 consecutive days. I/O based on 1-h average concentrations.	Romieu et al. (1998)
Los Angeles, Homes (239) Summer Winter	0.37 ± 0.25 (0.06 - 1.5) 0.43 ± 0.29 0.32 ± 0.21	Four hundred and eighty-one samples collected inside and immediately outside of home from February to December. Ratios based on 24-h average O_3 concentrations indoors and outdoors. Low outdoor concentrations resulted in low indoor concentrations. However, high outdoor concentrations resulted in a range of indoor concentrations and ratios. I/O ratios were highest during the summer months.	Avol et al. (1998a)
California Homes no AC, window opened (20) AC, windows closed (3)	 0.68 (n = 20) 0.09 (n = 3)	I/O ratio was determined for 20 homes. Only 3 of the homes operated the air conditioning. I/O ratios based on 24-h continuous ambient concentrations and 0.5-1 h average indoor concentrations.	Lee et al. (1999)
Munich Germany Office Gymnasium Classroom Residence Bedroom Livingroom Hotel room Car	 0.4 - 0.9 0.49 - 0.92 0.54 - 0.77 0.47 - 1.0 0.74 - 1.0 0.02 0.4 - 0.6	Indoor concentrations were dependent on the type of ventilation.	Jakobi and Fabian (1997)
La Rochelle, France	0 - 0.45	I/O ratio determined for 8 schools. Monitoring conducted for a 2-wk period. Schools located in various areas with different ambient O_3 concentrations, types of ventilation systems, and the presumed air-tightness of building envelop. Building air-tightness and ambient O_3 concentration influenced indoor O_3 I/O.	Blondeau et al. (2005)

Table AX3-21 (cont'd). Indoor/Outdoor Ozone Ratios

Location and Ventilation Conditions	Indoor/Outdoor Ratio Mean (range)	Comments	Reference
Montpellier, France, Homes (110)	0.41	Ozone measurements were made over 5-day periods in and outside of 21 homes during the summer and winter months. The winter I/O ratio was 0.31 compared to 0.46 during the summer months.	Bernard et al. (1999)
Southern CA, Homes Upland Mountains	0.68 ± 0.18 (windows open) 0.07 - 0.11 (AC used)	Ozone measurements were taken at 119 homes (57 in Upland and 62 in towns located in the mountains) during April and May. I/O ratios were based on average monthly outdoor concentrations and average weekly indoor concentrations. I/O ratio was associated with the home location, number of bedrooms, and the presence of an air conditioner. I/O ratios based on subset of the homes.	Geyh et al. (2000); Lee et al. (2002)
Krakow, Poland Museums (5)	0.13 - 0.42	Ozone continuously monitored at five museums and cultural centers. Monitoring conducted during the summer months for 21-46 h or 28-33 days at each of the sites. The I/O was found to be dependent on the ventilation rate, i.e., when the ventilation rate was high, the I/O ratio approached unity, while in rooms sequestered from the outdoor air or where air was predominantly recycled through charcoal filters, the O_3 levels indoors were greatly reduced resulting in low I/O ratios.	Salmon et al. (2000)
Buildings, Greece Thessaloniki Athens	0.24 ± 0.18 (0.01 to 0.75)	There was no heating/air conditioning system in the building at Thessaloniki. Windows were kept closed during the entire monitoring period. Complete air exchange took place every 3 h. I/O ratio ranged from 0.5-0.90, due to low deposition velocity on indoor surfaces. The air conditioning system in continuous use at the Athens site recirculated the air. Complete air exchange was estimated to be 1 h. Monitoring lasted for 30 days at each site, but only the 7 most representative days were used for calculation of the I/O ratio.	Drakou et al. (1998)
Southern California, Museum	0.19 ± 0.05	Measurements made over a 2-wk period (24-h avg). Ratio for concentrations at the buffer zone with the roll-up door closed.	Hisham and Grosjean (1991)

ND = not detectable.

monitored during the summer months to establish baseline O_3 concentrations and again during the fall after classes started. A monitor was placed directly outside of the school entrance and 50 feet away from the entrance in the hall. Where available, monitors were placed at locations identified as "problem" classrooms, classrooms with carpeting, or in rooms close to outdoor sources of O_3. As expected, outdoor concentrations of O_3 were higher than those found indoors. Averaged O_3 concentrations were low during the early morning hours (7:30 a.m.) but peaked to approximately 25 and 40 ppb around 1:30 p.m. indoors and outdoors, respectively.

Gold et al. (1996) compared indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations in classrooms in Mexico City under three different ventilation conditions: windows/doors open, air cleaner off; windows/doors closed, air cleaner off; and windows/doors closed, air cleaner on. Two-minute averaged outdoor O_3 levels varied between 64 and 361 ppb, while indoor O_3 concentrations ranged from 0 to 247 ppb. The highest indoor O_3 concentrations were noted when the windows/doors were open. The AERs were estimated to be 1.1, 2.1, and 2.5 h^{-1} for low, medium, and high air flow rates, respectively. The authors indicated that the indoor levels, and therefore O_3 exposure to students in schools, can be reduced to < 80 ppb by closing windows and doors even when ambient O_3 levels reach 300 ppb.

In a second Mexico City study, Romieu et al. (1998) measured O_3 concentrations inside and outside of 145 homes and three schools. Measurements were made between November and June. Most of the homes were large and did not have air conditioning. Ninety-five percent of the homes had carpeting, 13% used air filters, and 84% used humidifiers. Thirty-five percent of the homeowners reported that they opened windows frequently between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., while 43% opened windows sometimes and 22% reported that they never opened windows during that time period. Homes were monitored for continuous 24-h periods for 14 consecutive days. Schools were monitored from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. or continuously for 24 h. During the school monitoring periods the windows were frequently left open and the doors were constantly being opened and closed. The mean indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations during 5-h measurements at the schools were 22 ppb and 56 to 73 ppb, respectively. The mean indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations for measurements made over a 7- and 14-day period at the test homes were 5 and 27 ppb and 7 and 37 ppb, respectively. Ozone concentrations inside of homes were dependent on the presence of carpeting, the use of air filters, and whether the windows were open or closed. Air exchange rates were not reported.

Reiss et al. (1995) compared indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations for residences in the Boston, MA area. Four residences were monitored during the winter months and nine residences during the summer months. Outside monitors were placed ~1 m away from the house. Monitoring was conducted over a continuous 24-h period. There were no indoor sources of O_3. Indoor O_3 concentrations were higher during the summer months, with concentrations reaching 34.2 ppb. Indoor O_3 concentrations reached as high as 3.3 ppb during the winter monitoring period. In one instance, O_3 concentrations were higher indoors than outdoors. The authors attributed that finding to analytical difficulties. Outdoor O_3 concentrations were generally higher during the summer monitoring period, with concentrations reaching 51.8 ppb. Indoor concentrations were dependent on the outdoor O_3 concentrations and AER. Indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations, including the AERs at the times of the monitoring are included in Table AX3-22.

Avol et al. (1998a) monitored 126 home in the Los Angeles metropolitan area during February and December. Uniformly low ambient O_3 concentrations were present during the non-O_3 seasons. Indoor O_3 concentrations were always below outdoor O_3 concentrations. The mean indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations over the sampling period were 13 ± 12 ppb and 37 ± 19 ppb, respectively. There was a correlation between indoor O_3 concentration and ambient temperatures. The effect was magnified when the windows were open. When a central refrigerant recirculating air conditioner was used, indoor O_3 concentrations declined. The authors were able to predict indoor O_3 levels with nearly the same accuracy using measurements made at regional stations coupled with window conditions as with measurements made directly outside the homes coupled with window conditions, suggesting that monitoring station data may be useful in helping to reduce errors associated with exposure misclassification. The authors cautioned that varying results may occur at different locations with different housing stock or at different times of the year.

Lee et al. (2002) reported indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations in 119 homes of school children in two communities in southern California: Upland and San Bernadino county. Measurements were made over one year. Outdoor and indoor O_3 concentrations were based on cautioned that varying results may occur at different locations with different housing stock or at different times of the year.

Table AX3-22. Indoor and Outdoor O_3 Concentrations in Boston, MA

Residence	Indoor Ozone (ppb)	Outdoor Ozone (ppb)	AER (h^{-1})	Indoor Data		Outdoor Data	
				Relative Humidity (%)	Temp. (°F)	Relative Humidity (%)	Temp. (°F)
Winter							
1 - Day 1	3.3	11.2	1	25-45	67-75	88	25
1 - Day 2	0	15	0.8	22-40	65-76	62	27
2 - Day 1	2.6	24.4	1	3-19	67-71	44	17
2 - Day 2	1.7	4.4	1	3-8	55-70	40	17
3 - Day 1	20.4	15.6	1	8-24	62-69	33	36
3 - Day 2	3.1	24.5	0.9	13-19	64-70	51	38
4 - Day 1	2.2	11.4	0.7	26-37	60-72	57	39
4 - Day 2	0.3	20.7	0.7	29-38	61-70	77	36
Summer							
1 - Day 1	5.6	32.4	3	28-44	71-74	44	65
1 - Day 2	0.6	13.4	2.3	37-44	70-74	59	60
2 - Day 1	0.8	14.3	2.4	48-54	73-79	54	70
2 - Day 2	5	24.1	2.1	46-60	72-78	64	73
3 - Day 1	34.2	38.9	4.6	48-63	64-80	52	71
3 - Day 2	6.9	14	3.1	45-53	65-69	52	62
4 - Day 1	4.3	30	1.4	37-60	66-75	51	67
4 - Day 2	4.9	40.5	1.8	38-68	67-79	64	67
5 - Day 1	1.4	17.5	5.1	30-50	69-74	54	58
5 - Day 2	1.9	19	3.5	39-63	N/A	40	64
6 - Day 1	0.8	8.2	0.5	59-73	74-77	76	72
6 - Day 2	1.7	18.6	0.7	43-66	76-78	47	76
7 - Day 1	3.9	40.1	1.1	57-70	70-77	51	75
7 - Day 2	0	33.9	1.1	58-73	72-75	64	72
8 - Day 1	22.9	51.8	3.2	66-81	71-77	75	75
8 - Day 2	23.5	31.6	6.3	43-67	66-79	48	72
9 - Day 1	1.6	20.9	2.1	N/A	N/A	37	70
9 - Day 2	1.2	25	1.7	33-52	75-79	70	66

N/A = not available
Adapted from: Reiss et al. (1995)

Lee et al. (2002) reported indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations in 119 homes of school children in two communities in southern California: Upland and San Bernadino county. Measurements were made over one year. Outdoor and indoor O_3 concentrations were based on monthly and weekly averages, respectively. Housing characteristics were not found to affect indoor O_3 concentrations. Indoor O_3 concentrations were significantly lower than outdoor O_3 concentrations. Average indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations were 14.9 and 56.5 ppb. Homes with air conditioning had lower O_3 concentrations, suggesting decreased ventilation or greater O_3 removal.

Chao (2001) evaluated the relationship between indoor and outdoor levels of various air pollutants, including O_3, in 10 apartments in Hong Kong during May to June. Air monitoring was conducted over a 48-h period. All participants had the habit of closing the windows during the evenings and using the air conditioner during the sleep hours. Windows were partially open during the morning. The air conditioners were off during the working hours. Indoor O_3 concentrations were low in all of the monitored apartments, ranging from 0 to 4.9 ppb with an average of 2.65 ppb. Outdoor O_3 concentrations ranged from 1.96 to 15.68 ppb. Table AX3-23 provides information on the indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations and the apartment characteristics.

Drakou et al. (1995) demonstrated the complexity of the indoor environment. Measurements of several pollutants, including O_3, were made inside and outside of two nonresidential buildings in Thessaloniki and Athens, Greece. The building in Thessaloniki was a 58-m^3 metal structure. The ceiling and walls were covered with colored corrugated plastic sheeting, and the flooring was plastic tile. There was no heating/air conditioning system and the building was closed during the monitoring period. The AER ranged from 0.3 to 0.35 h^{-1}. The building in Athens was a 51-m^3 concrete structure. The air conditioning system (recirculated air) worked continuously during the monitoring period. A window was opened slightly to accommodate the monitors' sampling lines. The AER was approximately 1 h^{-1}. Monitoring lasted for 30 days at both locations, however, only data from the 7 most representative days were reported. Indoor O_3 concentrations closely followed the outdoor concentrations at the Thessaloniki building. The averaged 7-day indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations were 9.39 and 15.48 ppb, respectively. The indoor O_3 concentrations at the Athens location were highly variable compared to the outdoor concentration. The authors suggested that a high hydrocarbon

Table AX3-23. Indoor and Outdoor O_3 Concentrations in Hong Kong

Apartment No.	Floor Area	Floor No.	Window Opening Frequency	AER (h^{-1})	Indoor O_3 Conc.	Outdoor O_3 Conc.
1	40	14	Seldom	1.44	0	1.96
2	47	13	Sometimes	1.97	4.96*	6.01*
3	140	2	Sometimes	0.83	1.0*	6.96*
4	67	5	Seldom	5.27	4.96*	8.76*
5	86	11	Sometimes	1.64	3.0*	7.80*
6	43	32	Sometimes	15.83	4.01*	8.76*
7	47	9	Always	15.91	0	3.0*
8	30	6	Seldom	3.25	2.05*	3.0*
9	26	35	Sometimes	2.1	4.9	15.68
10	20	15	Seldom	5.5	4.01*	4.96*

*Estimated Concentration.

Adapted from Chao (2001).

intrusion may be the reason for the variability in O_3 concentrations noted at this site. The averaged 7-day indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations were 8.14 and 21.66 ppb, respectively.

Weschler et al. (1994) reported that indoor O_3 concentrations closely tracked outdoor O_3 concentrations at a telephone switching station in Burbank, CA. The switching building was flat-roofed, two-story (first floor and basement), uncarpeted, with unpainted brick walls. Each floor was 930 m^2 with a volume of 5095 m^3. Indoor O_3 concentrations were measured on the first floor using a perfluorocarbon tracer or an UV photometric analyzer. The AER were obtained by dividing the volumetric flow to the first floor by the volume of the first floor space or by perfluorocarbon tracer techniques. The AER ranged from 1.0 to 1.9 h^{-1}.

The major source of O_3 at the switching station was transport from outdoors. Indoor O_3 concentrations closely tracked outdoor concentrations, measuring from 30 to 70% of the outdoor concentrations. Indoor O_3 concentrations frequently exceed 50 ppb during the summer months, but seldom exceeded 25 ppb during the winter. During the early spring through late fall, indoor O_3 concentrations peaked during the early afternoon and approach zero after sunset. Ozone sinks

included a surface removal rate between 0.8 and 1.0 h^{-1} and reactions with NO_x. Figures AX3-89 and AX3-90 compare the outdoor and indoor O_3 concentrations, including the AER, for two 1-week periods during the study.

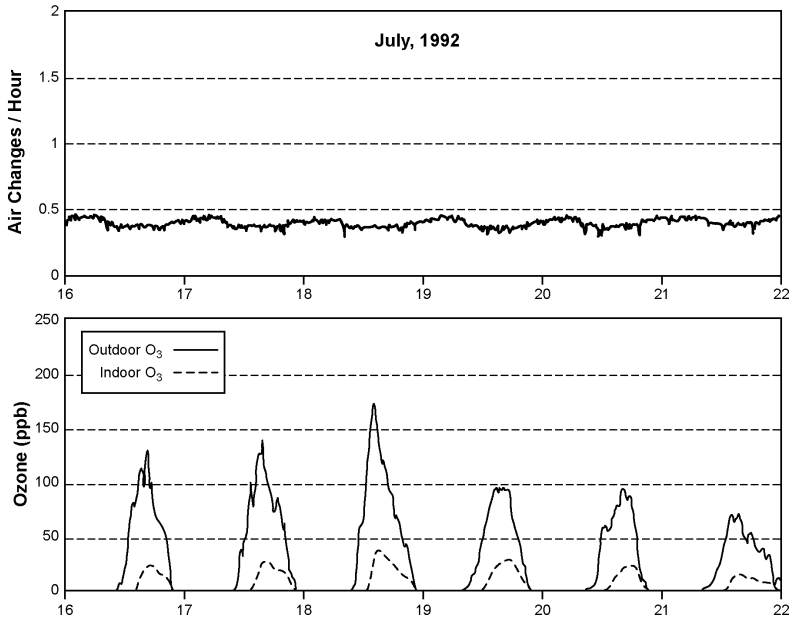

Figure AX3-89. Air exchange rates and outdoor and indoor O_3 concentrations during the summer at telephone switching station in Burbank, CA.

Source: Weschler et al. (1994).

The relationships between indoor and outdoor O_3 concentrations in five museums and cultural centers (Wawel Castle, Matejko Museum, National Museum, Collegium Maius, and Cloth Hall) in Krakow, Poland were reported by Salmon et al. (2000). Measurements were made for up to 46 h and up to 33 days. Air exchange measurements were only made for the Matejko Museum and Wawel Castle. Both were naturally ventilated. However, the summertime AER for the Matejko Museum was more than twice that of the Wawel Castle site, 1.26 to 1.44 h^{-1} compared to 0.56 to 0.66 h^{-1}. The highest indoor O_3 concentrations were noted at the Matejko Museum during the summer. The findings are included in Table AX3-24 for those locations with reported AERs.

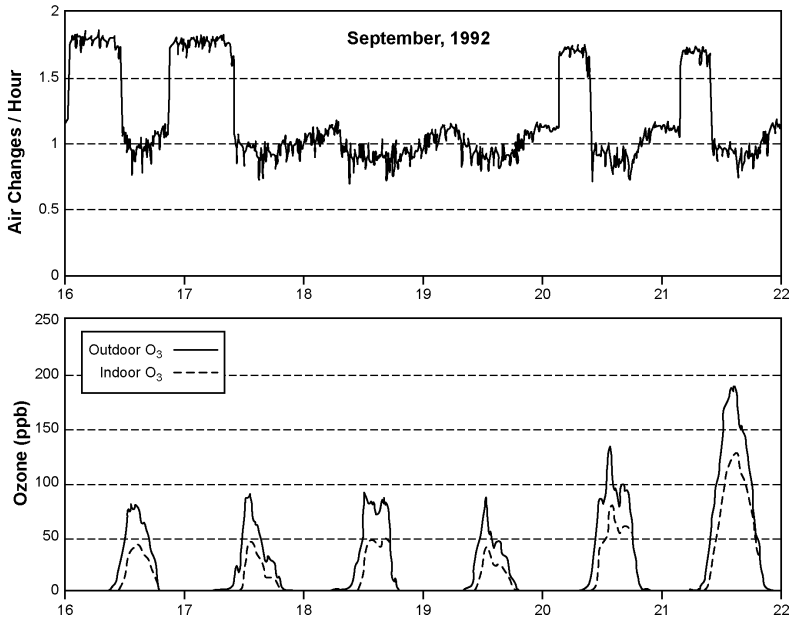

Figure AX3-90. Air exchange rates and outdoor and indoor O_3 concentrations during the fall at a telephone switching station in Burbank, CA.

Source: Weschler et al. (1994).

Figure AX3-91 shows O_3 and PAN concentrations in a private residence in Germany. All measurements were made in naturally ventilated rooms.

Johnson (1997) conducted a scripted study using four trained technicians to measure hourly average O_3 concentrations between 07:00 and 19:00 h in Los Angeles, CA during September and October 1995. The ratio of the microenvironmental concentrations to the fixed site monitor on days when the O_3 levels $\geq$ 20 ppb were as follows: indoor residence, 0.28; other locations indoors, 0.18; outdoor near roadways, 0.58; other locations outdoors, 0.59; and in-vehicle, 0.21. The concentrations indoors and within vehicles varied depending on whether the windows were opened (higher) or closed (lower) and the use of air conditioning. The lower outdoor concentrations, particularly near roadways, probably reflect the reaction of O_3 with NO emitted by automobiles.

A study of the effect of elevation on O_3 concentrations found that concentrations increased with increasing elevation. The ratio of O_3 concentrations at street level (3 m) compared to the rooftop (25 m) was between 0.12 and 0.16, though the actual concentrations were highly

Table AX3-24. Indoor and Outdoor Ozone Concentrations

Location	Duration (hours)	AER	Average O_3 (ppb)
Matejko Museum	26		1988-2000
Outdoors (Town Hall Tower)			20
Indoors (third floor, west)		1.26	8.5
Wawel Castle	43		
Outdoors (Loggia)			14.7
Indoors (Senator's Hall)		0.63	2.5
Wawel Castle, outdoors	31.8		42[a]
Wawel Castle, Room 15	31		8
Wawel Castle, Senator's Hall	31.8		7
Matejko Museum, outdoors	26.9		21[b]
Matejko Museum, Indoor Gallery	26.9		9

[a]On Loggia of Piano Nobile Level, high above the street.
[b]At street level.

Adapted from Salmon et al. (2000).

correlated (r = 0.63) (Väkevä et al., 1999). Differential O_3 exposures may, therefore, exist in apartments that are on different floors. Differences in elevation between the monitoring sites in Los Angeles and street level samples may have contributed to the lower levels measured by Johnson (1997). Furthermore, since O_3 monitors are frequently located on rooftops in urban settings, the concentrations measured there may overestimate the exposure to individuals outdoors in streets and parks, locations where people exercise and maximum O_3 exposure is likely to occur.

Chang et al. (2000) conducted a scripted exposure study in Baltimore during the summer of 1998 and winter of 1999, during which 1-h O_3 samples were collected by a technician who also changed his or her activity every hour. The activities chosen were selected to simulate older (> 65 years) adults, based on those activities reported in the National Human Activity Pattern Survey (NHAPS). The scripted activities took place in five different microenvironments:

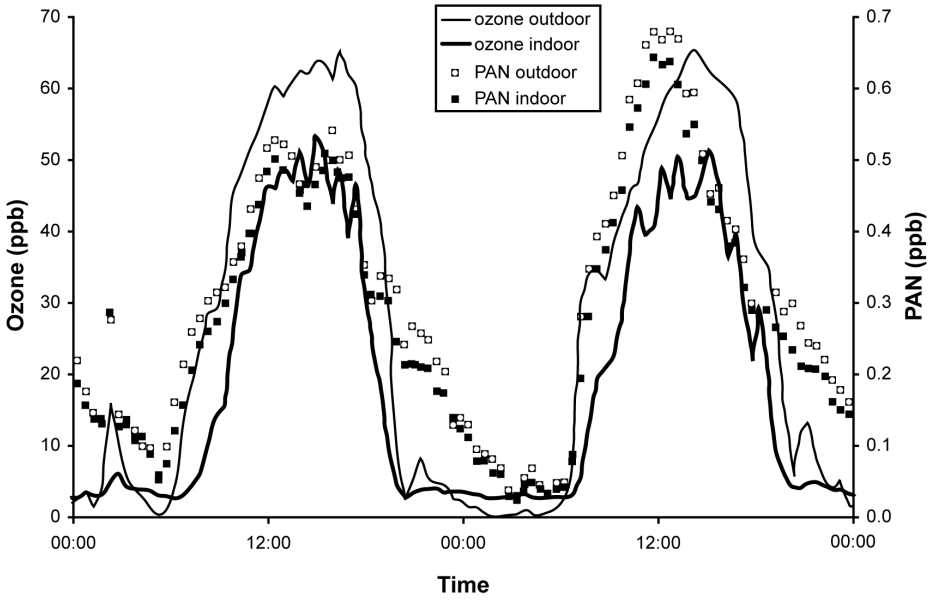

Figure AX3-91. Diurnal variation of indoor and outdoor O_3 and PAN concentrations measured in a private residence, Freising, Germany, August 11-12, 1995.

Source: Jaboki and Fabian (1997).

indoor residential (apartment in 24-h air conditioned high rise building), indoor other (restaurant, post office, hospital, shopping mall, and bingo parlor), outdoor near roadway, outdoor away from roadway, and inside motor vehicle. Personal O_3 exposures were significantly lower in indoor than the outdoor microenvironments, because more time was spent indoors. Mean summer concentrations were 15.0 ± 18.3 ppb, with a maximum of 76.3 ppb. Significant correlation was noted for the indoor nonresidential microenvironments and ambient O_3 ($r = 0.34$ in summer, $r = 0.46$ in winter), however, the authors indicated that this finding was unclear due to the low personal/ambient ratios. The personal O_3 exposure levels within the outdoor and in-vehicle microenvironments were significantly correlated with ambient concentration, although the ratio of personal exposure to ambient levels was less than one, with only the top 5% of the ratios exceeding one, indicating that the ambient measurements lead to the maximum concentrations and exposures. The indoor concentrations did not correlate with outdoor measurements ($r = 0.09$ and $r = 0.05$ for summer and winter, respectively). The correlation for outdoor near roadway and outdoor away from roadway was moderate to high ($0.68 \leq r \leq 0.91$).

The scripted exposure studies show that the O_3 concentrations in the various microenvironments were typically lower than the ambient air concentrations measured at monitoring stations. Exposure models are useful for accounting for the reduced concentrations usually encountered in various microenvironments compared to ambient monitoring station concentrations (see discussion on exposure models earlier in this annex).

Riediker et al. (2003) measured mobile source pollutants inside highway patrol vehicles in Wake County, NC. Measurements were made during the 3 p.m. to midnight shift between August 13 and October 11, 2001 in two patrol cars each day for a total of 50 shifts. All areas of rural and urban Wake County were patrolled. The prominent areas patrolled were major highways and interstates. Ozone concentrations inside the cars were compared with the O_3 measurements at the fixed station in northern Raleigh. The average O_3 concentration inside the cars was 11.7 ppb, approximately one-third of the ambient air concentration. Jakobi and Fabian (1997) found that O_3 concentrations in a moving car were independent of the type of ventilation (windows closed and ventilator operation/ventilator off and windows open). Ozone concentrations inside the car were found to closely follow the outdoor concentrations. When the car was parked, O_3 concentrations outdoors greatly exceeded concentrations inside the car (see Figure AX3-92).

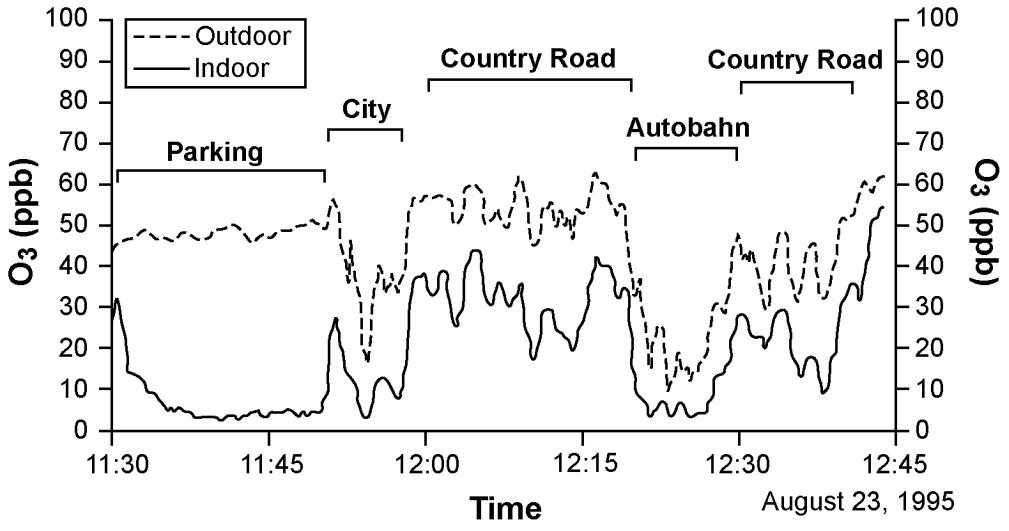

Figure AX3-92. Indoor and outdoor O_3 concentration in moving cars.

Source: Jaboki and Fabian (1997).

Few studies have been conducted in indoor environments containing O_3 sources. Black et al. (2000) measured O_3 concentrations in a photocopy room at the University of California during one business day. The room volume was 40 m^3. Ozone concentrations were generally below 20 ppb, but increased proportionately with increasing photocopier use. Ozone concentrations reached 40 ppb when the hourly average number of copies reached 45. Helaleh et al. (2002) reported daily average O_3 concentrations from 0.8 to 1.3 ppb and 0.9 to 1.0 ppb in a laboratory and photocopy room at a university in Japan. Outdoor O_3 concentrations ranged from 6 to 11 ppb. Because only limited information was available on the sampling system used in the study, the adequacy of the sampling system cannot be determined. Jakobi and Fabian (1997) measured O_3 concentrations in an office associated with the use of a photocopier and a laser printer. They noted a 3.0 ppb increase in O_3 from the use of a 3-year old printer run for 20 min at a copy rate of 8 pages/min. There was no detectable change in O_3 concentrations from the use of the laser printer.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Steiber, 1995) measured O_3 concentrations from the use of three home/office O_3 generators. The O_3 generators were placed in a 27 m^3 room with doors and windows closed and the heating, ventilating and air conditioning system off; the AER was 0.3 h^{-1}. The units were operated for 90 min. Ozone concentrations at the low output setting ranged from nondetectable to 14 ppb (averaged output). At the high output setting, averaged output O_3 concentrations exceeded 200 ppb in several cases and had spike concentrations as high as 480 ppb.

Figure AX3-93 includes PAN indoor/outdoor ratios for 10 museums. Four of the museums were equipped with HVAC and chemical infiltration systems.

AX3.7.4 Factors Affecting Ozone Concentrations Indoors

In the absence of an indoor source, O_3 concentrations in indoor environments will depend on the outdoor concentration, the air exchange rate (AER) or outdoor infiltration, indoor circulation rate, removal by indoor surfaces, reactions with other indoor pollutants, and temperature and humidity. Indoor concentrations generally closely track outdoor O_3 concentrations. Limited information on PAN concentrations indoors also indicate that indoor PAN concentrations tract outdoor concentrations (Jakobi and Fabian, 1997; Hisham and Grosjean, 1991). Since outdoor concentrations of photochemical oxidants are generally higher

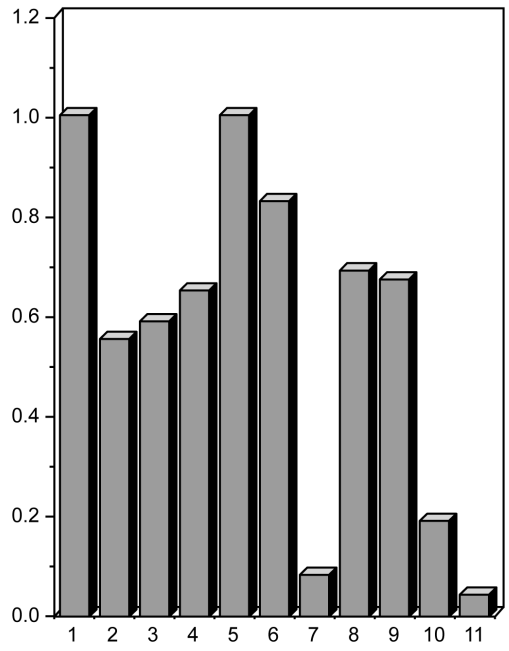

Figure AX3-93. Indoor/outdoor concentration ratios for PAN at 10 southern California museums. Code to locations: 1 El Pueblo Historical Park, Los Angeles; 2 Olivas Adobe House, Ventura; 3 Southwest Museum, Los Angeles; 4 Page Museum, Los Angeles; 5 Museum of Natural History, Los Angeles; 6 Research Library, University of California, Los Angeles; 7 Scott Gallery, Huntington Museum, Pasadena; 8 The J. Paul Getty Museum, Malibu; 9 Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles; 10 Gene Autry Western Heritage Museum, Los Angeles (buffer zone); 11 Gene Autry Museum (Conservation Room).

Source: Hisham and Grosjean (1991).

during the warmer months, indoor concentrations will also be highest during that time period. (See discussion on ambient concentrations of O_3 earlier in this chapter.)

Air Exchange Rates

Indoor O_3 increases with increasing air exchange rate (Gold et al., 1996; Lee et al., 1999; Jakobi and Fabian, 1997). The AER is the balance of the flow of air in and out of a microenvironment. Infiltration through unintentional openings in the building envelope is the dominant mechanism for residential air exchange. Duct systems account for 30% of the total leakage area of a house. Natural ventilation, airflow through opened windows and doors, also

influences air exchange in residential buildings. Forced or mechanical ventilation is the dominant mechanism for air exchange in nonresidential buildings.

Air exchange rates vary depending on the temperature differences, wind effects, geographical region, type of heating/mechanical ventilation system, and building type (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1997; Weschler and Shields, 2000; Colome et al., 1994; Johnson et al., 2004). Air exchange rates are generally higher during the summer and lower during the winter months (Wilson et al., 1996; Murray and Burmaster, 1995; Colome et al., 1994; Research Triangle Institute, 1990). The Gas Research Institute, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas and Electric Company, and Southern California Gas Company measured the air exchange rates in a subset of 293 randomly selected homes in California as part of an air pollution monitoring study. The average AER varied by type of heating system (wall furnaces >forced-air > electric) and building type (multifamily units > single-family units) (Billick et al., 1984, 1996; Colome et al., 1994).

Howard-Reed et al. (2002) determined that opening a window or exterior door causes the greatest increase in AERs with differences between the indoor and outdoor temperature being important when the windows were closed. Johnson and Long (2004) conducted a pilot study to evaluate the frequency that windows were left open in a community. They found that a visual 2-h survey could be used to estimate the frequency that windows are left open. The occupancy, season, housing density, absence of air conditioning, and wind speed were factors in whether the windows were open.

Johnson et al. (2004) conducted a study using scripted ventilation conditions to identify those factors that affected air exchange inside a test house in Columbus, OH. The test house was a wood-framed, split-level structure with aluminum siding covering the wood outer walls. The house had one exterior door located in the front and another at the rear of the house, single-pane glazed windows, central gas heat, a window air-conditioning unit, and ceiling fans in three rooms. Eighteen scenarios with unique air flow conditions were evaluated to determine the effect on the AER. The elements of the scenarios included: exteriors doors open/closed, interior doors open/closed, heater on/off, air conditioner on/off, a ceiling fans on/off. The lower level was sealed off during the study. The various scenarios were evaluated during the winter season. The average AER for all scenarios ranged from 0.36 to 15.8 h^{-1}. When all windows and doors were closed, the AER ranged from 0.36 to 2.29 h^{-1} (0.77 h^{-1} geometric mean). When at least one

exterior door or window was open the AER ranged from 0.5 to 15.8 h^{-1} (1.98 h^{-1} geometric mean).

Williams et al. (2003a, 2003b) reported air exchange rates ranging from 0.001 h^{-1} to 4.87 h^{-1} (overall arithmetic mean of 0.72 h^{-1}) in houses in the Research Triangle Park area in North Carolina. Air exchange measurements were made in 37 homes as part of a year long study PM panel study.

Air exchange rates for homes in Houston, TX, Los Angeles County, CA, and Elizabeth, NJ were reported by Meng et al. (2005e) as part of the Relationship of Indoor, Outdoor and Personal Air (RIOPA) study. The RIOPA study was designed to determine indoor (residual), outdoor, and personal exposure to several classes of pollutants. Approximately 100 homes from each of the areas were sampled across all four seasons. The mean air exchange rate for the Los Angeles County homes was 1.22 h^{-1} , similar to the air exchange rate (1.51 h^{-1}) homes in Los Angeles previously reported by Wilson et al. (1996). The mean air exchange rate for Houston and Elizabeth was 0.71 h^{-1} and 1.22 h^{-1} , respectively. Air exchange rates for New Jersey were higher than other reported values in the northeast region. The authors attributed these differences to differences in the age of housing stock in the various areas.

Chan et al. (2005) compared air leakage measurements for more than 70,000 houses across the United States, classified as low-income households, energy program houses, and convention houses, to the building size, construction date and various construction characteristics, and geographical location. The construction date and building size were the two most significant predictors of leakage areas. Older and smaller houses had higher normalized leakage areas than the newer and larger houses. Based on their evaluation of new and older residential constructions, Sherman and Matson (1997) found that existing home stock (pre-1980) was quite leaky with an AER of approximately 20.0 h^{-1}. Newer constructions were considerably more airtight.

Murray and Burmaster (1995) conducted an analysis of data compiled by Brookhaven National Laboratories on AERs for 2,844 residential structures in four climatic regions based on heating degree days. (Region 1: IN, MN, MT, NH, NY1, VT, WI; Region 2: CO, CT, IL, NJ, NY2, OH, PA, WA; Region 3: CA3, MD, OR, WA; Region 4: AZ, CA4, FL, TX). Data were also separated by seasons (winter, spring, summer, and fall). The highest overall AERs occurred during the spring and fall season. However, air exchange rates were variable within and between

seasons and between regions. Data from the warmest region during the summer months should be reviewed with caution because many of the measurements were made in southern California where windows were more likely to be open than in other areas of the country where air-conditioning is used.

Air exchange rates for 49 nonresidential buildings (14 schools, 22 offices, and 13 retail establishments) in California were reported by Lagus Applied Technology, Inc. (1995). Average mean (median) AERs were 2.45 (2.24), 1.35 (1.09), and 2.22 (1.79) h^{-1} for schools, offices, and retail establishments, respectively. Air infiltration rates for 40 of the 49 buildings were 0.32, 0.31, and 1.12 h^{-1} for schools, offices, and retail establishments, respectively. Air exchange rates for 40 nonresidential buildings in Oregon and Washington (Turk et al., 1989) averaged 1.5 (1.3) h^{-1} (mean median). The geometric mean of the AERs for six garages was 1.6 h^{-1} (Marr et al., 1998). Park et al. (1998) reported AERs for three stationary cars (cars varied by age) under different ventilation conditions. Air exchange rates ranged from 1.0 to 3.0 h^{-1} for windows closed and fan off, 13.3 to 23.5 h^{-1} for windows opened and fan off, 1.8 to 3.7 h^{-1} for windows closed and fan on recirculation (two cars tested), and 36.2 to 47.5 h^{-1} for windows closed and fan on fresh air (one car tested). An average AER of 13.1 h^{-1} was reported by Ott et al. (1992) for a station wagon moving at 20 mph with the windows closed.

Ozone Removal Processes

The most important removal process for O_3 in the indoor environment is deposition on and reaction with indoor surfaces. The rate of deposition is material specific. The removal rate indoors will depend on the indoor dimensions, surface coverings, and furnishings. Smaller rooms generally have larger surface-to-volume ratios (A/V) and remove O_3 faster. Fleecy materials, such as carpets, have larger A/V ratios and remove O_3 faster than smooth surfaces (Weschler, 2000). O_3 can react with carpet, decreasing O_3 concentrations and increasing emissions of formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, and other C_5–C_{10} aldehydes. Off-gassing of 4-phenylcyclohexene, 4-vinylcyclohexene, and styrene was reduced (Weschler et al., 1992). The rate of O_3 reaction with carpet diminishes with cumulative O_3 exposure (Morrison and Nazaroff, 2000, 2002). Reiss et al. (1995) reported significant quantities of acetic acid and smaller quantities of formic acid off-gassing from O_3 reactions with latex paint. The emission rate also was relative humidity-dependent, increasing with higher relative humidity. Klenø et al. (2001)

evaluated O_3 removal by several aged (1- to 120-month) but not used building materials (nylon carpet, linoleum, painted gypsum board, hand polished stainless steel, oiled beech parquet, melamine-coated particle board, and glass plate). Initially, O_3 removal was high for all specimens tested with the exception of the glass plate. Ozone removal for one carpet specimen and the painted gypsum board remained high throughout the study. For the oiled beech parquet and melamine-coated particle board, O_3 removal leveled off to a moderate rate. Morrison et al. (1998) reported that small amounts of O_3 (~9%) are removed by lined ductwork of ventilation systems. The removal efficiency decreases with continued exposure to O_3. Unlined ductwork is less efficient in removing O_3. Ozone is scavenged by fiberglass insulation (Liu and Nazaroff, 2001). More O_3 was scavenged (60 to 90%) by fiberglass that had not been previously exposed. Table AX3-25 lists the removal rates for O_3 in different indoor environments.

Jaboki and Fabian (1997) found the O_3 decays exponentially. PAN decay is dependent on room temperature and possibly the properties and structure of the materials it comes in contact with. They examined O_3 and PAN decay in several closed rooms and in a car after a period of intensive ventilation. Figure AX3-94 plots the O_3 and PAN decay rates in these environments.

Several studies have examined factors within homes that may scavenge O_3 and lead to decreased O_3 concentrations (Lee et al., 1999; Wainman et al., 2000; Weschler and Shields, 1997). These reactions produce related oxidant species while reducing indoor O_3 levels. Lee et al. (1999) studied 43 homes in Upland, CA in the Los Angeles metropolitan region and reported that O_3 declined faster in homes with more bedrooms, greater amounts of carpeting, and lower ceilings (all of which alter the A/V ratio) and with the use of air conditioning. Homes with air conditioning had indoor/outdoor (I/O) ratios of 0.07, 0.09, and 0.11. Homes without air conditioning had an I/O ratio of 0.68 ± 0.18. Closed windows and doors combined with the use of an air cleaner resulted in an I/O ratio of 0.15. The O_3 I/O ratio was < 0.2 in homes with gas stoves.

Ozone Removal Through Chemical Processes

Ozone chemical reactions in the indoor environment are analogous to those reactions occurring in the ambient air (See Annex AX2). Ozone reactions with unsaturated VOCs in the indoor environment are dependent on the O_3 indoor concentration, the indoor temperature and, in most cases, the air exchange rate/ventilation rate and mixing factor. The air exchange rate

Table AX3-25. Rate Constants (h^{-1}) for the Removal of Ozone by Surfaces in Different Indoor Environments

Indoor environment	Surface Removal Rate, k_d (A/V), h^{-1}	Reference
Aluminum Room (11.9 m^3)	3.2	Mueller et at. (1973)
Stainless Steel Room (14.9 m^3)	1.4	
Bedroom (40.8 m^3)	7.2	
Office (55.2 m^3)	4.0	
Home (no forced air)	2.9	Sabersky et al. (1973)
Home (forced air)	5.4	
Department Store	4.3	Thompson et al. (1973)
Office (24.1 m^3)	4.0	Allen et al. (1978)
Office (20.7 m^3)	4.3	
Office/Lab	4.3	Shair and Heitner (1974)
Office/Lab	3.2	Shair (1981)
Office/Lab	3.6	
13 Buildings, 24 ventilation systems	3.6[a]	Nazaroff and Cass (1986)
Museum	4.3	
Museum	4.3	
Office/Lab	4	Weschler et al. (1989)
Office/Lab	3.2	
Office	2.5	
Lab	2.5	
Cleanroom	7.6	
Telephone Office	0.8 – 1.0[b]	Weschler et at. (1994)[b]
43 Homes	2.8 ± 1.3	Lee et al. (1999)

[a] A/V = assumes surface area to volume ratio = 2.8 m^{-1}
[b] Large office, small A/V

Source: Weschler (2000).

determines the amount of time available for chemical reactions to take place. At low air exchange rate, the residence time for the pollutants is longer, the reaction time is greater, and the concentration of the products produced by O_3 chemistry is greater (Weschler and Shields, 2000, 2003). Since O_3 is primarily an outdoor pollutant, the air exchange rate will influence the amount of O_3 occurring indoors.

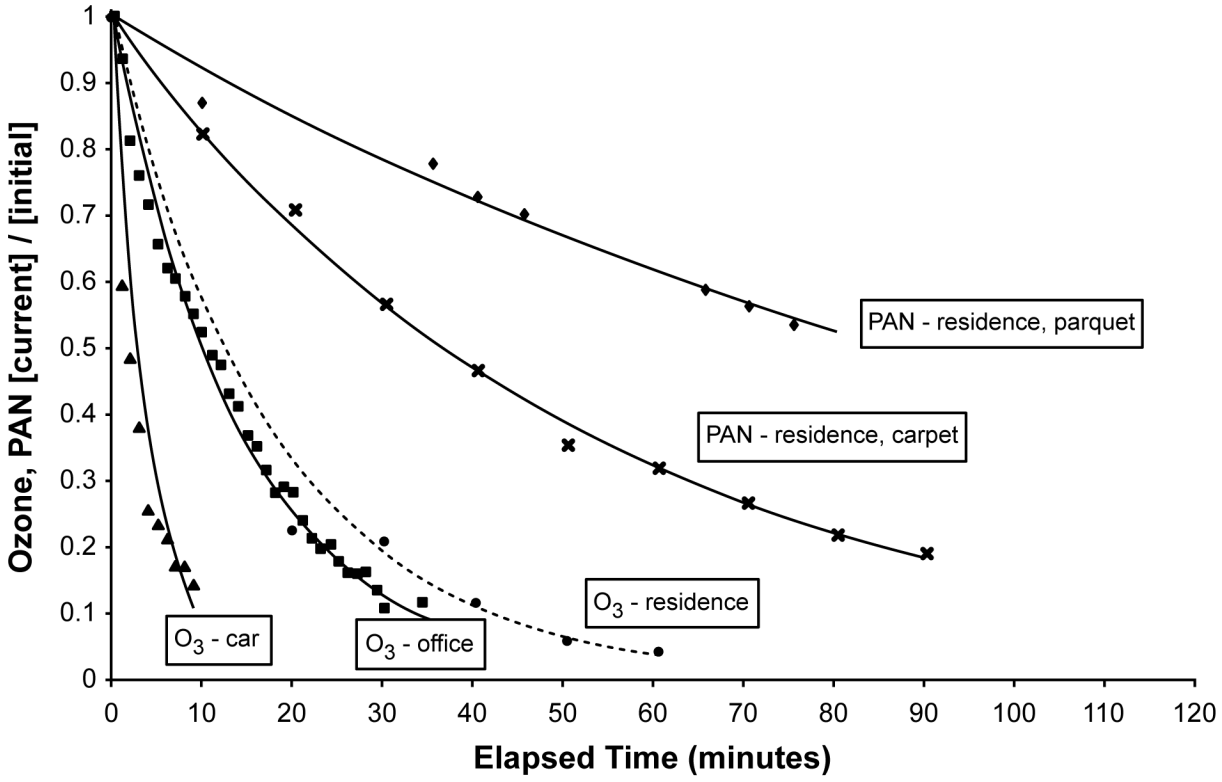

Figure AX3-94. Ozone decay processes versus time measured for several indoor rooms. Room temperature in all cases was ~27 °C and 29 °C in the car.

Adapted from: Jaboki and Fabian (1997).

Most unsaturated VOCs in the indoor environment are terpenes or terpene-related compounds from cleaning products, air fresheners, and wood products. Some of the reaction products may more negatively impact human health and artifacts in the indoor environment than their precursors (Wolkoff et al., 1999; Wilkins et al., 2001; Weschler et al., 1992; Weschler and Shields, 1997; Rohr et al., 2002; Nøjgaard et al., 2005). The reactions products of O_3 and terpenes are Criegee biradicals, nitrate radicals, and peroxyacetyl radicals. Secondary reaction of the pollutants may form hydroxy, alkyl, alkylperoxy, hydroperoxy, and alkoxy radicals. The reaction of O_3 with alkenes can produce aldehydes, ketones, and organic acids (Weschler and Shields, 2000; Weschler et al., 1992).

The indoor chemistry of O_3 is described by the following equations. The initial reaction produces an ozonide which rapidly decomposes into one of the two possible combinations.

$$O_3 + R_1C(O)R_2C = CR_3R_4 \rightarrow \text{ozonide} \quad \text{(AX3-6)}$$

$$\text{ozonide} \rightarrow R_1C(O)R_2 + [R_3R_4C \bullet OO \bullet]^* \quad \text{(AX3-7)}$$

or

$$\text{ozonide} \rightarrow [R_1R_2C \bullet OO \bullet]^* + R_3C(O)R_4 \quad \text{(AX3-8)}$$

The biradical (*) then rearranges or reacts to produce the highly reactive intermediate products (hydroxy, hydroperoxy, and alkylperoxy radicals) and stable products (aldehydes, ketones and organic acids).

Hydroxy radicals formed from the reaction of O_3 with VOCs are lost to further reaction with VOCs. For each molecule of O_3 consumed, approximately one molecule of the hydroxy radical is produced. The hydroxy radical also is formed through the reaction of nitric oxide and hydroperoxy, and other intermediate products formed from the reaction of O_3 with unsaturated VOCs (Sarwar et al., 2002; Orzechowska and Paulson, 2002). The hydroxy radical can react with various nitrogen compounds, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide and other compounds to produce significantly more toxic compounds. In studies by Fick et al. (2003, 2004), the formation of norpinonic and pinonic acid in a ventilation system injected with α-pinene in the presence of O_3 was reported to be almost exclusively the result of oxidation by hydroxy radicals. Fan et al. (2003) attributed the formation of some secondary organic aerosols from the reaction of O_3 with 23 VOCs (as toluene) to reactions with hydroxy radicals. Van den Bergh et al. (2000) found that formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, acetone, campholenealdehyde, and pinonaldehyde are generated from the reaction of α-pinene with hydroxy radicals. A list of the VOCs occurring in the indoor environment known to react with O_3 and OH radicals is found in Weschler (2000) and Nazaroff and Weschler (2004).

Wilkins et al. (2001) found that formaldehyde, formic acid, acetic acid, methacrolein, and methylvinyl ketone were produced within 30 seconds of mixing approximately 4.0 ppm O_3, 500 ppm isoprene and 4.0 ppm NO_2. Only a small amount of the O_3 remained. Similar findings were reported by Clausen et al. (2001). A 16 second reaction of a mixture of 4.0 ppm O_3 and 48 ppm linomene was found to produce 1-methyl-4-acetcyclohexene, 3-isopropenyl-6-oxoheptanal, formaldehyde and formic acid. Acetone, acrolein and acetic acid also were detected, however, the authors found the production of these compounds difficult to explain based on the structure of linomene and suggested that they may be artefacts. When ∝-pinene was injected into a ventilation system containing 75 ppb O_3 norpinic acid, pinic acid, glyoxal, methyl glyoxal, norpinionic acid, pinonic acid, a C_4 dicarbonyl ($C_4H_6O_2$), a C_5 dicarbonyl ($C_5H_8O_2$), norpionaldehyde, and pinonaldehyde were formed (Fick et al., 2003, 2004).

The reaction between O_3 and terpenes has been shown to increase the concentration of indoor particles (Weschler and Shields, 1999, 2003; Weschler, 2004; Clausen et al., 2001; Fan et al, 2003; Wainman et al., 2000). Sarwar et al. (2002) suggested that the hydroxy radical reacts with terpenes to produce products with low vapor pressures that contribute to fine particle growth. The acidity of particles was found to enhance the yield of secondary organic aerosols when α-pinene ozonolysis was carried out in the presence of ammonium sulfate and sulfuric acid. There was almost a 40% increase in organic carbon particles when α-pinene ozonolysis occurred in the presence of sulfuric acid aerosols compared to ammonium sulfate aerosols (Iinuma et al., 2004). Rohr et al. (2002, 2003) measured particle formation in a plexiglas chamber as part of a mouse bioassay study. They found an increase in ultrafine particle numbers as the result of O_3 and α-pinene reactions. When O_3 was introduced into the test chamber, particle concentrations increased to $>10^7$ particles/cm^3. Clausen found that the reaction of limonene vapor with O_3 increased the particle concentration to 3×10^5 from a background concentration of $<10^3$ particles/cm^3. Poupard et al. (2005) and Blondeau et al. (2005) found a negative correlation between O_3 and particle concentration in eight school buildings in France. The researchers assumed that the increased particle concentration and decreased O_3 concentration was likely the result of homogeneous processes involving O_3. However, the assumption could not be verified because the particles were not analyzed for chemical composition.

Weschler et al. (1992) suggested that the reaction been O_3 and NO_2 in the indoor environment may be a significant source of HNO_3. When there are elevated concentrations of both O_3 and NO_2 in the indoor environment, the following reaction sequence may occur:

$$\begin{aligned} O_3 + NO_2 &\rightarrow NO_3 + O_2 \\ NO_3 + NO_2 &\rightleftharpoons N_2O_5 \\ N_2O_5 + H_2O &\rightarrow 2HNO_3 \\ NO_3 + ORG &\rightarrow HNO_3 + ORG \end{aligned} \qquad \text{(AX3-9)}$$

PAN and PPN are thermally unstable and will decomposed in the indoor environment to peroxyacetyl radicals and NO_2 (See equation AX3-10). Decomposition and formation of PAN in the indoor environment is influenced by NO_2 and NO.

$$CH_3C(O)OONO_2 \rightleftharpoons CH_3C(O)OO + NO_2 \qquad \text{(AX3-10)}$$

When the concentration ratio of NO/NO_2 is greater than 7, less than 10% of the peroxyaceyl radicals will revert to PAN. Decomposition of PAN is expected to be a relatively fast process when indoor O_3 levels are low and when motor vehicle emissions are large or there is an indoor source of NO_x (Weshcler and Shields, 1997).

Sources and Emissions of Indoor Ozone

Ozone enters the indoor environment primarily through infiltration from outdoors through cracks and crevices in the building envelope (unintentional and uncontrolled ventilation) and through building components such as windows and doors and ventilation systems (natural and controlled ventilation). Natural ventilation is driven by the natural forces of wind and temperature. Possible indoor sources of O_3 are office equipment (photocopiers, facsimile machines, and laser printers) and air cleaners (electrostatic air filters and precipitators and O_3 generators). Generally O_3 emissions from photocopiers and laser printers are limited due to installed filtering systems (Black and Worthan, 1999; Leovic et al., 1996; Aldrich et al., 1995). However, emissions increase under improper maintenance conditions (Leovic et al., 1996). Well-maintained photocopiers and laser printers usually emit low levels of O_3 by catalytically

reducing the O_3 to oxygen (Aldrich et al., 1995). Leovic et al. (1996, 1998) measured O_3 emissions from four dry-process photocopiers. Ozone emissions ranged from 1300 to 7900 μg/h.

Most electrostatic air filters and precipitators are designed to minimize the production of O_3. However, if excessive arcing occurs, the units can emit a significant amount of O_3 into the indoor environment (Weschler, 2000). Niu et al. (2001) measured O_3 emissions from 27 air cleaners that used ionization processes to remove particulates. The test were conducted in a $2 \times 2 \times 1.60$ m^3 stainless steel environmental chamber. The tests were terminated after 1.5 h if no increase in O_3 concentration was noted. If an increase in O_3 was noted, the test was continued, in some cases, for up to 20 h. Most of the evaluated units emitted no O_3 or only small amounts. Five units were found to emit O_3 ranging from 56 to 2757 μg/h.

There are many brands and models of O_3 generators commercially available. The amount of O_3 emitted by each unit depends on the size of the unit. Ozone emission rates have been reported to range from tens to thousands of micrograms per hour (Weschler, 2000; Steiber, 1995). Ozone emissions supposedly can be regulated using the units control features. However, available information suggests that O_3 output may not be proportional to the control setting. Some units are equipped with a sensor that automatically controls O_3 output by turning the unit on and off. The effectiveness of the sensor is unknown (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2002).

Peroxyacyl nitrates (PAN and PPN) have no known direct emission sources and are formed in the atmosphere from the reaction of NO_2 and hydrocarbons (Grosjean et al., 1996). Peroxyacyl nitrates primarily occur in the indoor environment from infiltration through the building envelop and through openings in the building envelopment. Peroxyacyl nitrates also may be formed in the indoor environment through radical chemistry. PAN may be formed from the reaction of the $OH\cdot$ or NO_3 with acetaldehyde to form the acetyl radical, CH_3CO. The acetyl radical then reacts with oxygen to form and acetylperoxy radical which reacts with NO_2 to form PAN.

$$OH\cdot(\text{or } NO_3) + CH_3CHO \rightarrow CH_3CO\cdot \qquad \text{(AX3-11)}$$

$$CH_3CO\cdot + O_2 \rightarrow CH_3C(O)OO\cdot \qquad \text{(AX3-12)}$$

$$CH_3C(O)OO\cdot + NO_2 \rightarrow CH_3C(O)OO\ NO_2 \qquad \text{(AX3-13)}$$

PPN is formed from when the reaction of the OH· with propionaldehyde (Weschler and Shields, 1997).

AX3.10.8 Trends in Concentrations Within Microenvironments

There have not been sufficient numbers of measurements of personal exposures or indoor O_3 concentrations to directly document trends over time or location. However, since O_3 concentrations in all microenvironments are primarily derived from ambient sources, trends in ambient air concentrations should reflect trends in personal exposure unless there are differences in activity patterns over time or locations. Overall, a significant downward trend in ambient O_3 concentrations has occurred from 1980 in most locations in the United States, although the trend in the latter part of the 1990s suggests that continued improvements in air quality may have leveled off. Greater declines in ambient O_3 concentrations appear to have occurred in urban centers than in rural regions. The decline in daily and weekly average O_3 concentrations from 1989 to 1995 in rural regions was 5% and 7%, respectively (Wolff et al., 2001; Lin et al., 2001; Holland et al., 1999). A detailed discussion of O_3 trends appears earlier in this annex.

AX3.10.9 Characterization of Exposure

AX3.10.9.1 Use of Ambient Ozone Concentrations

The use of ambient air monitoring stations is still the most common surrogate for assigning exposure in epidemiological studies. Since the primary source of O_3 exposure is the ambient air, monitoring concentration data would provide the exposure outdoors while exercising, a potential important exposure to evaluate in epidemiological studies as well as a relative assignment of exposure with time if the concentration were uniform across the region; the time-activity pattern were the same across the population; and the housing characteristics, such as ventilation rates and the O_3 sinks contributing to its indoor decay rates, were constant for the study area. Since these factors vary by population and location there will be errors in not only the magnitude of the total exposure, but also in the relative total exposure assignment based solely on ambient monitoring data. As discussed earlier in this section, spatial differences in O_3 concentrations within a city and between the height of the monitor and the breath zone (1 to 2 m) exist,

increasing uncertainties. The potential exists to obtain more complete exposure assignments for both individuals and populations by modeling O_3 exposure based on ambient air concentration to account for spatial variations outdoors and for time spent indoors, provided housing characteristics and activity patterns can be obtained. For cohort studies, measurement of personal O_3 exposures using passive monitors is also possible.

The potential for error in determining pollutant exposure was expressed by Krzyzanowski (1997), who indicated that while the typical estimate of exposure in epidemiological studies is "an average concentration of the pollutant calculated from the data routinely collected in the area of residence of the studied population. This method certainly lacks precision and, in most cases, the analyses that use it will underestimate the effect of specific concentrations of a pollutant on health." It is further stated that when estimating exposure for epidemiological studies it is important to define: (1) representativeness of exposure or environmental data for the population at risk, (2) appropriateness of the averaging time for the health outcome being examined, and (3) the relationship between the exposure surrogate and the true exposure relative to the exposure-response function used in the risk assessment. Zeger et al. (2000) suggested that the largest biases will occur because of errors between ambient and average personal exposure measures. Sheppard et al. (2005a) further indicated that for non-reactive pollutants with non-ambient sources, exposure variability will introduce a large exposure error. However, for acute effects, time series studies using ambient concentration measurements are adequate (Sheppard, 2005b).

Numerous air pollutants can have common ambient air sources resulting in strong correlations among pollutant ambient air concentrations. As a result, some observed associations between an air pollutant and health effects may be due to confounding by other air pollutants. Sarnat et al. (2001) found that while ambient air concentrations of some air pollutants were correlated, personal $PM_{2.5}$ and several gaseous air pollutant (O_3, SO_2, NO_2, CO, and exhaust-related VOCs) exposures were not generally correlated. The findings were based on the results of a multipollutant exposure study of 56 children and elderly adults in Baltimore, MD conducted during both the summer and winter months. Ambient pollutant concentrations were not associated with corresponding personal exposures, except for $PM_{2.5}$. The gaseous pollutants were found to be surrogates of $PM_{2.5}$ and were generally not correlated. The authors concluded that multipollutant models in epidemiologic studies of $PM_{2.5}$ may not be suitable, and health

effects attributed to the gaseous pollutants may be the result of $PM_{2.5}$ exposure. It should be noted that the 95th percentile O_3 concentrations in the study was lower than 60 ppb, an O_3 concentration at which respiratory effects are noted. It would be important to examine whether O_3 is a surrogate for personal $PM_{2.5}$ at high O_3 levels when attributing adverse health effects to O_3 or $PM_{2.5}$.

Künzli et al. (1996) assessed potential lifetime exposure to O_3 based on the responses to a standardized questionnaire completed by 175 college freshmen in California. Questions addressed lifetime residential history, schools attended, general and outdoor activity patterns, driving habits and job history. The purpose was to determine what O_3 monitoring data to use for each time period of their lives, the potential correction factor for indoor levels and periods of high activity to account for differential doses to the lung due to physical activity. The reliability of the responses was checked by having each respondent complete the questionnaire twice, on different days, and the results compared. A lifetime O_3 exposure history was generated for each participant and a sensitivity analysis performed to evaluate which uncertainties would cause the greatest potential misclassification of exposure. Assigned lifetime O_3 concentrations from the nearest monitor yielded highly reliable cumulative values, although the reliability of residential location decreased with increasing residential locations. Individuals involved in moderate and heavy exercise could be reliably identified. Such an approach can be used to evaluate health outcomes associated with chronic exposures to O_3.

AX3.10.9.2 Exposure Selection in Controlled Exposure Studies

Ozone exposures in the environment are variable over time due to changes in the ambient concentrations during the day as the photochemical reactions proceed and also because people move between microenvironments that have different concentrations (Johnson, 1997). Exposures are repeated on sequential days since weather conditions that produce O_3 can move slowly through or become stagnant within a region. For simplicity, most controlled-exposure experiments are conducted at a single concentration for a fixed time period, with a limited number of studies being repeated on a single individual. Few studies have been conducted using multipollutants or photochemical agents other than O_3, to better represent "real-world" exposures with the exception of NO_2. Studies by Hazucha et al. (1992), Adams (2003), and Adams and Ollison (1997) examined the effect of varying O_3 exposure concentrations on pulmonary function. A description of, and findings in, the studies appears in Annex AX5 of this document.

AX3.10.9.3 Exposure to Related Photochemical Agents

Exposures to other related photochemical agents have not been measured using personal samplers nor are these agents routinely measured at O_3 monitoring stations. Photochemical agents produced in the ambient air can penetrate indoors and react with other pollutants to produce other potentially irritating compounds. Reiss et al. (1995) reported that organic acids, aldehydes and ketones were produced indoors by reactions of O_3 with VOCs. The produced compounds included oxidants that can be respiratory irritants. The indoor concentrations were dependent upon the O_3 concentrations indoors and the AER within the building. Weschler and Shields (1997) summarized indoor air chemical reactions that depend directly or indirectly on the presence of O_3. They indicated that O_3 concentrations are lower indoors than outdoors partly because of gas-phase reactions that produce other oxidants in an analogous fashion to photochemical smog in ambient air. The production of these species indoors is a function of the indoor O_3 concentration and the presence of the other necessary precursors, VOCs, and NO_2, along with an optimal AER. A variety of the photochemical oxidants related to O_3 that are produced outdoors, such as PAN and PPN, can penetrate indoors. These oxidants are thermally unstable and can decompose indoors to peroxacetyl radicals and NO_2 through thermal decay. PAN removal increases with increasing temperature, and at a given temperature, with increasing NO/NO_2 concentration ratio (Grosjean et al., 2001). Other free radicals that can form indoors include HO• and $HO_2^{\bullet}$. These free radicals can produce compounds that are known or suspected to be irritating. Little is known about exposure to some of these agents, as not all have been identified and collection and analytical methodologies have not be developed for their routine determination. Lee et al. (1999) reported that homogeneous (gas phase) and heterogenous (gas phase/solid surface) reactions occur between O_3 and common indoor air pollutants such as NO and VOCs to produce secondary products whose production rate depends on the AER and surface area within the home. Wainman et al. (2000) found that O_3 reacts indoors with *d*-limonene, emitted from air fresheners, to form fine particles in the range of 0.1 to 0.2 μm and 0.2 to 0.3 μm. The indoor process also produces compounds that have been identified in the ambient atmosphere. These species, plus others that may form indoors from other terpenes or unsaturated compounds can present an additional exposure to oxidants, other than O_3, at higher concentrations than present in ambient air, even as the O_3 concentration is being reduced indoors.

The announcement of smog alerts or air quality indices may influence individuals to alter behaviors (avoidance behavior). Neidell (2004), in his evaluation of the effect of pollution on childhood asthma, examined the relationship between the issuance of smog alerts or air quality indices for several counties in California and hospital admissions for asthma in children under age 18 years (not including newborns). Smog alerts are issued in California on days when O_3 concentrations exceed 200 ppb. There was a significant reduction in the number of asthma-related hospital admissions in children ages 1 to 12 years on smog alert days, indicating that avoidance behavior might be present on days of high O_3 concentrations.

Ozone exposure modeling has been conducted for the general population and sensitive subgroups. The pNEM/O_3 model takes into consideration the temporal and spatial distribution of people and O_3 throughout the area of consideration, variations in O_3 concentrations within microenvironments, and the effects of exertion/exercise (increased ventilation) on O_3 uptake. The pNEM/O_3 model consists of two principal parts: the cohort exposure program and the exposure extrapolation program. The methodology incorporated much of the general framework described earlier in this section on assessing O_3 exposure and consists of five steps: (1) define the study area, population of interest, subdivisions of the study area, and exposure period; (2) divide population of interest into a set of cohorts; (3) develop exposure event sequence for each cohort for the exposure period; (4) estimate pollutant concentration and ventilation rate for each exposure event; and (5) extrapolate cohort exposures to population of interest (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996b).

There are three versions of the pNEM/O_3 model: general population (Johnson et al., 1996a), outdoor workers (Johnson et al., 1996b), and outdoor children (Johnson et al., 1996c, 1997). These three versions of the model have been applied to nine urban areas. The model also has been applied to a single summer camp (Johnson et al., 1996c). The general population version of the model uses activity data from the Cincinnati Activity Diary Study (CADS; Johnson, 1989). Time-activity studies (Wiley et al., 1991a; Johnson, 1984; Linn et al., 1993; Shamoo et al., 1991; Goldstein et al., 1992; Hartwell et al., 1984) were combined with the CADS data for the outdoor worker version of the model. Additional time-activity data (Goldstein et al., 1992; Hartwell et al., 1984; Wiley et al., 1991a,b; Linn et al., 1992; Spier et al., 1992) were also added to CADS for the outdoor children of the model (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996b). Home-work commuting patterns are based on information gathered by the U.S. Census

Bureau. Ozone ambient air concentration data from monitoring stations were used to estimate the outdoor exposure concentrations associated with each exposure event. Indoor O_3 decay rate is assumed to be proportional to the indoor O_3 concentration. An algorithm assigns the equivalent ventilation rate (EVR) associated with each exposure event. The outdoor children model uses an EVR-generator module to generate an EVR value for each exposure event based on data on heart rate by Spier et al. (1992) and Linn et al. (1992). The models produce exposure estimates for a range of O_3 concentrations at specified exertion levels. The models were used to estimate exposure for nine air quality scenarios (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996b).

Korc (1996) used the REHEX-II model, a general purpose air pollution exposure model based on a microenvironmental approach modified to account for the influence of physical activity along and spatial and the temporal variability of outdoor air pollution. Ozone exposure was estimated by demographic groups across 126 geographic subregions for 1980 to 1982, and for 142 geographic subregions for 1990 to 1992. Simulation results were determined for population race, ethnicity, and per capita income and included indoor, in-transit, and outdoor microenvironments. Exposure modeling was stratified by age because of differences in time-activity patterns. Exposure distributions by regional activity pattern data were not considered, rather it was assumed that all individuals within a county had the same exposure distribution by race, ethnicity, and socioeconomic status. Model results for southern California indicated that the segment of the population with the highest exposures were children 6 to 11 years old. Individuals living in low income districts may have greater per capita hours of exposure to O_3 above the NAAQS than those living in higher income districts. The author indicated that O_3 exposure differences by race and ethnicity have declined over time. The noninclusion of details on activity patterns for different populations in the model limit the extrapolations that can be made from the model results.

Children appear to have higher exposures than adults and the elderly. Asthmatics appear to ventilate more than healthy individuals, but tend to protect themselves by decreasing their outdoor exercise (Linn et al., 1992). Additional data are still needed to identify and better define exposures to potentially susceptible populations and improve exposure models for the general population and subpopulation of concern.

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ANNEX AX4. DOSIMETRY OF OZONE IN THE RESPIRATORY TRACT

AX4.1 INTRODUCTION

This annex serves to provide supporting material for Chapter 4 - Dosimetry, Species, Homology, Sensitivity, and Animal-to-Human Extrapolation. It includes tables that summarize new literature published since the last O_3 criteria documents (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996). In addition, it provides descriptions of those new findings, in many cases, with more detail than is provided in the chapter.

Dosimetry refers to the measurement or estimation of the quantity of or rate at which a chemical and/or it reaction products are absorbed and retained at target sites within the respiratory tract (RT). The compound most directly responsible for toxic effects may be the inhaled gas O_3 or one of its chemical reaction products. Complete identification of the actual toxic agents and their integration into dosimetry is a complex issue that has not been resolved. Thus, most dosimetry investigations are concerned with the dose of the primary inhaled chemical. In this context, a further confounding aspect can be the units of dose (e.g., mass retained per breath, mass retained per breath per body weight, mass retained per breath per respiratory tract surface area). That is, when comparing dose between species, what is the relevant measure of dose? This question has not been answered; units are often dictated by the type of experiment or by a choice made by the investigators. There is also some lack of agreement as to what constitutes "dose." Dahl's seminal paper (1990) classified O_3 as a reactive gas and discussed the characterization of dose measurement by parameters including: (1) inhaled O_3 concentration; (2) amount of O_3 inhaled as determined by minute volume, vapor concentration, and exposure duration; (3) uptake or the amount of O_3 retained (i.e., not exhaled); (4) O_3 or its active metabolites delivered to target cells or tissues; (5) O_3 or its reactive metabolites delivered to target biomolecules or organelles; and (6) O_3 or its metabolites participating in the ultimate toxic reactions - the effective dose. This characterization goes from least complex to greatest, culminating in measurement of the fraction of the inhaled O_3 that participates in the effects of cellular perturbation and/or injury. Understanding dosimetry as it relates to O_3-induced injury is complex due to the fact that O_3 interacts primarily with the

epithelial lining fluid (ELF) which contains surfactant and antioxidants. In the upper airways ELF is thick and highly protective against oxidant injury. In lower airways ELF is thinner, has lower levels of antioxidants, and thus, allows more cellular injury. Adding to the complexity is the fact that O_3 can react with molecules in the ELF to create even more reactive metabolites, which can then diffuse within the lung or be transported out of the lung to generate systemic effects. Section 5.3.1 contains further information on the cellular targets of O_3 interactions and antioxidants.

Experimental dosimetry studies in laboratory animals and humans, and theoretical (dosimetry modeling) studies, have been used to obtain information on O_3 dose. Since the last ozone criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996), all new experiments have been carried out in humans to obtain direct measurements of absorbed O_3 in the RT, the upper RT (URT) region proximal to the tracheal entrance, and in the tracheobronchial (TB) region; no uptake experiments have been performed using laboratory animals. Experimentally obtaining dosimetry data is extremely difficult in smaller regions or locations, such as specific airways or the centriacinar region (CAR; junction of conducting airways and gas exchange region), where lesions caused by O_3 occur. Nevertheless, experimentation is important for determining dose, making dose comparisons between subpopulations and between different species, assessing hypotheses and concepts, and validating mathematical models that can be used to predict dose at specific respiratory tract sites and under more general conditions.

Theoretical studies are based on the use of mathematical models developed for the purposes of simulating the uptake and distribution of absorbed gases in the tissues and fluids of the RT. Because the factors affecting the transport and absorption of gases are applicable to all mammals, a model that uses appropriate species or disease-specific anatomical and ventilatory parameters can be used to describe absorption in the species and in different-sized, aged, or diseased members of the same species. More importantly, models also may be used to make interspecies and intraspecies dose comparisons, to compare and reconcile data from different experiments, to predict dose in conditions not possible or feasible experimentally, and to better understand the processes involved in toxicity.

A review (Miller, 1995) of the factors influencing RT uptake of O_3 stated that structure of the RT region, ventilation, and gas transport mechanisms were important. Additionally, local dose is the critical link between exposure and response. A more detailed discussion of

experimental and theoretical dosimetry studies is available in the 1996 O_3 AQCD (Volume III, Chapter 8, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996).

AX4.2 EXPERIMENTAL OZONE DOSIMETRY INVESTIGATIONS

There have been some advances in understanding human O_3 dosimetry that better enable quantitative extrapolation from laboratory animal data. The next two sections review the available new experimental studies on O_3 dosimetry, which involve only human subjects and are all from the same laboratory. Of the studies considered in the following discussion, five involved the use of the bolus response method as a probe to obtain information about the mechanism of O_3 uptake in the URT and TB regions. Of the remaining two investigations, one focused on total uptake by the RT and the other on uptake by the nasal cavities. Table AX4-1 provides a summary of the newer studies.

AX4.2.1 Bolus-Response Studies

The bolus-response method has been used as a probe to explore the effects of physiological and anatomical differences or changes on the uptake of O_3 by human beings.

Asplund et al. (1996) studied the effects of continuous O_3 inhalation on O_3 bolus uptake and Rigas et al. (1997) investigated the potential effects of continuous coexposure to O_3, nitrogen dioxide (NO_2), or sulfur dioxide (SO_2) on O_3 absorption. In both of these studies, subjects were exposed "continuously" to a gas for 2 h. Every 30 min, breathing at 250 mL/s, a series of bolus test breaths was performed targeted at the lower conducting airways. Differences in bolus-response absorbed fraction from an established baseline indicated the degree to which the "continuous" gas exposure affected the absorption of O_3. Depending on the gas and concentration, changes in absorbed fraction ranged from −3 to +7 % (see Table AX4-1). Continuous O_3 exposure lowered the uptake of O_3, whereas NO_2 and SO_2 increased the uptake of O_3. The investigators concluded that in the tested airways, NO_2 and SO_2 increased the capacity to absorb O_3 because more of the compounds oxidized by O_3 were made available. On the other hand, they conjectured that continuous O_3 exposure depleted these compounds, thereby reducing O_3 uptake.

Table AX4-1. New Experimental Human Studies on Ozone Dosimetry [a]

Purpose/Objective	Subject Characteristics	Region of Interest	Breathing Patterns/Exposure	Results	Reference
Determine the effect of continuous O_3 inhalation on O_3 uptake	8 male, 3 female, 22-31 years old, 166-186 cm, 64-93 kg	Central conducting airways (70-120 mL from lips)	2 h of continuous exposure at rest: 0.0, 0.12, and 0.36 ppm O_3. Spontaneous breathing. Bolus test breaths every 30 minutes using 250 mL/sec constant flow rate.	Averaged over all subjects and the 4 measurement intervals, the absorbed fraction (AF) changed +0.04, -0.005, and -0.03 for the 0, 0.12, and 0.36 ppm continuous exposures, respectively. These changes are approximately +6, -1, and –4 % based on an average AF value of 0.7 in the range 70 –120 ml.[b] Both nonzero exposures were significantly different than the air exposure.	Asplund et al. (1996)
Evaluate the influence of V_D on intersubject variation of O_3 dose.	10 male, 22-30 years old, 163-186 cm, 64-92 kg; 10 female, 22-35 years old, 149-177 cm, 48-81 kg	Conducting airways	Bolus-response test (V_T = 500ml at 250 mL/sec constant flow rate). Fowler single-breath N_2 washout method to determine V_D.	On average, for the same V_P , women had a larger AF than men; women had a smaller V_D than men. However, for the same value of V_P/V_D, AF for men and women were indistinguishable. Further analysis indicated "that previously reported gender differences may be due to a failure in properly accounting for tissue surface within the conducting airways".	Bush et al. (1996a)
Investigate the effect of continuous exposure to O_3, nitrogen dioxide and sulfur dioxide on O_3 absorption.	6 male, 21-29 years old, 165 185 cm, 60-92 kg; 6 female, 19-33 years old, 152-173 cm, 48-61 kg	Lower conducting airways (70-120 mL from lips)	2 h of continuous exposure at rest: O_3 (0, 0.36 ppm), SO_2 (0, 0.36 ppm), or NO_2 (0, 0.36, 0.75 ppm). 5-min Bolus test every 30 minutes: V_T = 500 ml; 250 mL/sec constant flow rate.	Averaging over all subjects or by gender, all exposures except O_3 resulted in an increase of AF. Based on an AF reference value[b], the change in AF ranged from –3 to +7 %. Only the O_3 and the NO_2 (0.36 ppm) exposures were significantly different from the air exposures.	Rigas et al. (1997)

Table AX4-1 (cont'd). New Experimental Human Studies on Ozone Dosimetry [a]

Purpose/Objective	Subject Characteristics	Region of Interest	Breathing Patterns/Exposure	Results	Reference
Compare the absorption of chlorine and O_3. Determine how the physical-chemical properties of these compounds affect their uptake distribution in the RT.	5 male, 21-26 years old, 168-198 cm, 64-95 kg; 5 female, 18-28 years old, 162-178 cm, 55-68 kg[c]	Conducting airways. Nasal and oral routes	Bolus-response technique; V_T = 500 ml; 3 constant flow rates: 150, 250, and 1000 mL/sec.	Ozone dose to the URT was sensitive to the mode of breathing and to the respiratory rate. With increased airflow rate, O_3 retained by the upper airways decreased from 95 to 50%. TB region dose ranged from 0 to 35%. Mass transfer theory indicated that the diffusion resistance of the tissue phase is important for O_3. The gas phase resistances were the same for O_3 and Cl_2.	Nodelman and Ultman (1999a)[c]
To determine O_3 uptake relative to inhaled O_3 dose.	5 male, 5 female, 18-35 years old, 175 ± 13 (SD) cm, 72 ± 13 (SD) kg	Respiratory tract; oral breathing	Breath-by-breath calculation of O_3 retention based on data from fast response analyzers for O_3 and airflow rates. Oral breathing: 0.2 or 0.4 ppm O_3 at V_E of approximately 20 L/min for 60 min or 40 L/min for 30 min.	The FA for all breaths was 0.86. Concentration, minute volume, and time have small but statistically significant effects on AF when compared to intersubject variability. The investigators concluded: for a given subject, constant O_3 exposure, a given exercise level, and time <2 h, inhaled dose is a reasonable surrogate for the actual uptake of O_3. However, the actual doses may vary considerably among individuals who are exposed to similar inhaled doses.	Rigas et al. (2000)

Table AX4-1 (cont'd). New Experimental Human Studies on Ozone Dosimetry [a]

Purpose/Objective	Subject Characteristics	Region of Interest	Breathing Patterns/Exposure	Results	Reference
Study the effect of gas flow rate and O_3 concentration on O_3 uptake in the nose.	7 male, 3 female, 26 ± years, 170 ± 11 (SD) cm, 75 ± 20 (SD) kg	Nasal cavities	For a given flow rate and exposure concentration, the subjects inhaled through one nostril and exhale through the other. For two 1-h sessions, a series of 9-12 measurements of AF were carried out for 10 s each: (1) O_3 exposure concentration = 0.4 ppm; flow rates = 3, 5, 8, and 15 L/min. (2) O_3 exposure = 0.1, 0.2, and 0.4 ppm; flow rate = 15 L/min.(3) O_3 exposure = 0.4 ppm, flow rate = 15 L/min; AF was measured every 5 min for 1 h.	(1) With the exposure concentration at 0.4 ppm O_3, AF decreased from 0.80 to 0.33 when the flow rate was increased from 3 to 15 L/min. (2) At a flow rate of 15 L/min, the AF changed from 0.36 to 0.32 when the exposure concentration increased from 0.1 to 0.4 ppm O_3. (3) Statistical analysis indicated that the AF was not associated with the time at which the measurement was taken.	Santiago et al. (2001)
Evaluate intersubject variability in O_3 uptake; correlate differences in breathing pattern and lung anatomy with O_3 uptake	nonsmokers, 32 male, 22.9 ± 0.8 years old,178±1 cm, 80.6 ± 2.5kg; 28 female, 22.4 ± 0.9 years old, 166 ± 1 cm, 62.1 ± 2.2 kg	Respiratory tract; oral breathing	Continuous: 1 h exposure to 0.25 ppm, exercising at 30L/min. Bolus: breath-by- breath calculation of O_3 retention. Timing of bolus varied to create penetration volumes of 10 to 250 ml. Peak inhaled bolus of ~1 ppm.	Continuous: Fractional O_3 uptake efficiency ranged from 0.70 to 0.98 (mean 0.89 ± 0.06). Inverse correlation between uptake and breathing frequency. Direct correlation between uptake and tidal volume. Intersubject differences in forced respiratory responses not due to differences in O_3 uptake. Bolus: The penetration volume at which 50% of the bolus was taken up was 90.4 ml in females and 107 ml in males. Distribution of O_3 shifts distally as the size of the airway increases.	Ultman et al. (2004)

[a] See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b] Fig. 4, Hu et al. (1994), for the 250 mL/s curve and penetration volume range of 70 – 120 ml; the average AF is approximately 0.7.
[c] Subject characteristics are from Nodelman and Ultman (1999b).

Bush et al. (1996a) investigated the effect of lung anatomy and gender on O_3 absorption in the conducting airways during oral breathing using the bolus-response technique. Absorption was measured using this technique applied to 10 men and 10 women. Anatomy was defined in terms of forced vital capacity (FVC), total lung capacity (TLC), and dead space (V_D). The absorbed fraction data were analyzed in terms of a function of penetration volume, airflow rate, and an "intrinsic mass transfer parameter (K_a)", which was determined for each subject and found to be highly correlated with V_D, but not with height, weight, age, gender, FVC, or TLC. That is, in all subjects, whether men or women, dosimetry differences could be explained by differences in V_D. Based on Hu et al. (1994), where absorbed fraction was determined for several flow rates, Bush et al. (1996a) inferred that K_a was proportional to flow rate/V_D. The investigators point out that the applicability of their results may be limited because of their assumptions that K_a was independent of location in the RT and that there was no mucous resistance. They also suggested that the dependence of K_a on flow rate and V_D be restricted to flow rates $\leq$1000 mL/s until studies at higher rates have been performed.

With flow rates of 150, 250, and 1000 mL/s, Nodelman and Ultman (1999b) used the bolus-response technique to compare the uptake distributions of O_3 and chlorine gas (Cl_2), and to investigate how their uptakes were affected by their physical and chemical properties. Ozone dose to the URT was found to be sensitive to the mode of breathing and to the airflow rate. With increased rate, O_3 retained by the upper airways decreased from 95 to 50% and TB region dose increased from 0 to 35%. At the highest flow rate only 10% of the O_3 reached the pulmonary region. Mass transfer theory indicated that the diffusion resistance of the tissue phase is important for O_3. The gas phase resistances were found to be the same for O_3 and Cl_2 as expected. These resistances were inversely related to the volumes of the oral and nasal cavities during oral and nasal breathing, respectively.

Ultman et al. (2004) used both bolus and continuous exposures to test the hypotheses that differences in O_3 uptake in lungs are responsible for variation in O_3-induced changes in lung function parameters and that differences in O_3 uptake are due to variations in breathing patterns and lung anatomy. Thirty-two males and 28 female nonsmokers were exposed to bolus penetration volumes ranging from 10 to 250 ml, which was determined by the timing of the bolus injection. The subjects controlled their breathing to generate a target respired flow of 1000ml/sec. At this high minute ventilation, there was very little uptake in the upper airway and

most of the O_3 reached areas where gas exchange takes place. To quantify intersubject differences in O_3 bolus uptake, they measured the penetration volume at which 50% of the O_3 was taken up. Values for penetration volume ranged from 69 to 134 ml and were directly correlated with the subjects' values for anatomic dead space volume. A better correlation was seen when the volume of the upper airways was subtracted. The penetration volume at which 50% of the bolus was taken up was 90.4 ml in females and 107 ml in males. This significant difference in uptake suggests to the authors that in females the smaller airways, and associated larger surface-to-volume ratio, enhance local O_3 uptake and cause reduced penetration of O_3 into the distal lung. Thus, these findings indicate that overall O_3 uptake is not related to airway size, but that the distribution of O_3 shifts distally as the size of the airway in increased.

General comment on estimating mass transfer coefficients: Bush et al. (1996b) and Nodelman and Ultman (1999a) used a simple model to analyze their bolus-response data. This model presented by Hu et al. (1992, 1994) assumed steady-state mass transfer by convection (but no dispersion) and the mass transfer of O_3 to the walls of a tube of uniform cross-sectional area. These assumptions led to an analytical solution (for the absorbed fraction) which was a function of an "overall mass transfer coefficient," penetration volume, and airflow rate. As the investigators have shown, the model is very useful for statistical analysis and hypothesis testing. Given the absorbed fraction data, the model overall mass transfer coefficients were estimated for each flow rate. In those bolus-response studies that used this method to analyze data, there was no discussion of the models' "accuracy" in representing mass transfer in the human respiratory tract with respect to omitting dispersion. In addition, the formulation of the gas phase mass transfer coefficient does not take into account that it has a theoretical lower limit greater than zero as the airflow rate goes to zero (Miller et al., 1985; Bush et al., 2001). As a consequence, there is no way to judge the usefulness of the values of the estimated mass transfer coefficients for dosimetry simulations that are based on convection-dispersion equations, or whether or not the simple model's mass transfer coefficients, as well as other parameters derived using these coefficients, are the same as actual physiological parameters.

AX4.2.2 General Uptake Studies

Rigas et al. (2000) performed an experiment to determine the ratio of O_3 uptake to the quantity of O_3 inhaled (fractional absorption, FA). Five men and five women were exposed orally to 0.2 or 0.4 ppm O_3 while exercising at a minute volume of approximately 20 L/min for 60 minutes or 40 L/min for 30 minutes. Ozone retention was calculated from breath-by-breath data taken from fast response analyzers of O_3 and airflow rates. The FA was statistically analyzed in terms of subject, exposure concentration, minute volume, and exposure time.

Fractional absorption ranged from 0.56 to 0.98 with a mean ± SD of 0.85 ± 0.06 for all 2000 recorded breaths. Intersubject differences had the largest influence on FA, resulting in a variation of approximately 10%. Statistical analysis indicated that concentration, minute volume, and exposure time had statistically significant effects on FA. However, relatively large changes in these variables were estimated to result in relatively small changes in FA. Note: the quantity of O_3 retained by the RT is equal to FA times the quantity of O_3 inhaled; thus, relatively large changes in concentration, minute volume, or exposure time may result in relatively large changes in the amount of O_3 retained by the RT or absorbed locally. Also, according to Overton et al. (1996), difference in PAR dose due to anatomical variability may be considerably larger than corresponding small changes in FA would indicate.

Santiago et al. (2001) studied the effects of airflow rate and O_3 concentration on O_3 uptake in the nasal cavities of three women and seven men. Air was supplied at a constant flow rate to one nostril and exited from the other nostril while the subject kept the velopharyngeal aperture closed by raising the soft palate. Thus, a constant unidirectional flow of air plus O_3 was restricted to the nasal cavities. The fraction of O_3 absorbed was calculated using the inlet and outlet concentrations. Inlet concentration and airflow rate were varied in order to determine their effect on O_3 uptake.

The mean FA decreased from 0.80 to 0.33 with an increase in flow rate from 3 to 15 L/min. The effect of both flow rate and subject on FA was statistically significant. Further analysis indicated that the overall mass transfer coefficient was highly correlated with the flow rate and that the gas phase resistance contributed from 6.3% (15 L/min) to 23% (3 L/min) of the total resistance to O_3 transfer to the nasal cavity surface. Concentration had a small, but statistically significant effect on FA, when the inlet concentration was increased from 0.1 to 0.4 ppm O_3, FA decreased from 0.36 to 0.32. The investigators observed that differences in FA

among subjects were important; generally, subject variability accounted for approximately half of the total variation in FA.

As mentioned above Ultman et al. (2004) tested hypotheses that differences in O_3 uptake in lungs are responsible for variation in O_3-induced changes in lung function parameters and that differences in O_3 uptake are due to variations in breathing patterns and lung anatomy. Thirty-two males and 28 female nonsmokers were exposed continuously for 1 h to either clean air or 0.25 ppm ozone while exercising at a target minute ventilation of 30 L/min. They first determined the forced expiratory response to clean air, then evaluated O_3 uptake measuring dead space volume, cross-sectional area of peripheral lung (A_p) for CO_2 diffusion, FEV_1, FVC, and $FEF_{25\%-75\%}$. The fractional O_3 uptake efficiency ranged from 0.70 to 0.98, with a mean of 0.89 ± 0.06. They found an inverse correlation between uptake and breathing frequency and a direct correlation between uptake and tidal volume. There was a small, but statistically significant decrease in uptake efficiency during the four sequential 15 minute intervals of the 1 h exposure (0.906 ± 0.058 vs. 0.873 ± 0.088, first and last interval, respectively), in part due to the increased breathing frequency and decreasing tidal volume occurring over the same period. Ozone uptake rate correlated with individual $\%A_p$, but did not correlate with individual $\%FEV_1$. Neither of these parameters correlated with the penetration volume determined in the bolus studies mentioned above. The authors concluded that the intersubject differences in forced respiratory responses were not due to differences in O_3 uptake. However, these data did partially support the second hypothesis, i.e., that the differences in cross-sectional area available for gas diffusion induce differences in O_3 uptake.

AX4.3 DOSIMETRY MODELING

When all of the animal and human in vivo O_3 uptake efficiency data are compared, there is a good degree of consistency across data sets (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996). This agreement raises the level of confidence with which these data sets can be used to support dosimetric model formulations.

Recent data indicate that the primary site of acute cell injury occurs in the conducting airways (Postlethwait et al., 2000). These data must be considered when developing models that attempt to predict site-specific locations of O_3-induced injury. The early models computed

relationships between delivered regional dose and response with the assumption that O_3 was the active agent responsible for injury. It is now known that reactive intermediates such as hydrohydroxyperoxides and aldehydes are important agents mediating the response to O_3 (further discussed in Section 5.3.1). Thus, models must consider O_3 reaction/diffusion in the epithelial lining fluid (ELF) and ELF-derived reactions products.

Table AX4-2 presents a summary of new theoretical studies on the uptake of O_3 by the RTs (or regions) of humans and laboratory animals that have become available since the 1996 review. They are discussed below.

Overton and Graham (1995) described the development and simulation results of a dosimetry model that was applied to a TB region anatomical model that had branching airways, but which had identical single-path pulmonary units distal to each terminal bronchiole. The anatomical model of the TB region was based on Raabe et al. (1976), which reported lung cast data for the TB region of a 330 g rat.

Rat effects data (from the PAR) are available that are identified with the lobe and the generation in the lobe from which tissue samples were obtained (Pinkerton et al., 1995, 1998). Models, like Overton et al. (1996), can be helpful in understanding the distribution of the magnitude of such effects as well as suggesting sampling sites for future experiments.

Using computational fluid dynamics (CFD), Cohen-Hubal et al. (1996) explored the effect of the mucus layer thickness in the nasal passage of a rat. The nasal lining was composed of mucus and tissue layers in which mass transfer was by molecular diffusion with first order chemical reaction. Physicochemical parameters for O_3 were obtained from the literature. Three scenarios were considered: 10 μm thick mucus layer, no mucus layer, and two nasal passage regions each with a different mucus layer thickness. Predictions of overall uptake were within the range of measured uptake. Predicted regional O_3 flux was correlated with measured cell proliferation for the CFD simulation that incorporated two regions, each with a different mucus thickness.

The reaction rate constant used by Cohen-Hubal and co-workers may be too low. Using bolus-response data, Hu et al. (1994) and Bush et al. (2001) estimated a reaction rate constant that is more than a 1000 times as large as that used by Cohen-Hubal et al. (1996). A rate constant this large could result in a conclusion different than those based on the smaller constant.

Table AX4-2. New Ozone Dosimetry Model Investigations[a]

Purpose/Objective	Type of mass transport model/Anatomical model [b]	Species/ RT region of interest/Regional anatomical models	Ventilation and Exposure	Results	Reference
To describe an RT dosimetry model that uses a branching TB region anatomical model and to illustrate the results of its application to a rat exposed to O_3.	One-dimensional (along axis of airflow), time-dependent, convection-dispersion equation of mass transport applied to each airway or model segment. URT: single path; TB: asymmetric branching airways. PUL: single path anatomical model distal to each terminal bronchiole.	Rat/ RT/URT: Patra et al. (1987). TB: multiple path model of Raabe et al. (1976). PUL: Mercer et al. (1991).	f = 150 bpm; V_T = 1.5, 2.0 , 2.5 mL. One constant concentration.	(1) For V_T = 2.0 mL, f = 150 bpm: The general shape of the dose versus generation plot along any path from the trachea to a sac is independent of path: generally the tissue dose decreases with increasing generation index. In the TB region, the coefficient of variation for dose ranges from 0 to 34 %, depending on generation. The maximum ratio of the largest to smallest dose in the same generation is 7; the average ratio being 3. In the first PUL region model segment, the coefficient of variation for the dose is 29 %. (2) The average dose to the first PUL region model segment increases with increasing V_T.	Overton and Graham (1995)
To incorporate into the CFD model of Kimbell et al. (1993) resistance to mass transfer in the nasal lining and to investigate the effects of this lining on O_3 uptake.	Three dimensional steady-state Navier-Stokes equations for solving air velocity flow field. Three dimensional steady-state convection-diffusion equation for O_3 transport. Three-dimensional CFD model of the nasal passages of a rat.	Rat/nasal passages Nasal passages: Kimbell et al. (1993).	Steady-state unidirectional ("inhalation") flow rate = 576 mL1/min. One constant concentration.	Predictions of overall uptake were within the range of measured uptake. Results suggest that mucus resistance is important for describing O_3 dosimetry and this thickness may play a role for determining patterns of O_3-induced lesions in the rat nasal passage.	Cohen-Hubal et al. (1996)
To determine if the single-path model is able to simulate bolus inhalation data recorded during oral breathing at quiet respiratory flow.	Single-path, one-dimensional (along axis of airflow), time-dependent, convection-dispersion equation of mass transport. Single-path anatomical model.	Human/ RT/URT (oral): Olson et al. (1973). LRT: Weibel (1963).	V_T = 500 mL, f = 15 bpm, constant flow rate = 250 mL/s. Bolus-response simulations. (protocol used is described by Hu et al., 1992).	Simulations are sensitive to conducting airway volume but are relative insensitive to characteristics of the respiratory airspace. Although the gas-phase resistance to lateral diffusion limits O_3 absorption during quiet breathing, diffusion through mucus may become important at the large respiratory flows that are normally associated with exercise. The single-path convection-diffusion model was a reasonable approach /to simulate the bolus-response data.	Bush et al. (1996b)

Table AX4-2 (cont'd). New Ozone Dosimetry Model Investigations [a]

Purpose/Objective	Type of mass transport model/Anatomical model [b]	Species/ RT region of interest/Regional anatomical models	Ventilation and Exposure	Results	Reference
To assess age- and gender-specific differences in regional and systemic uptake.	PBPK, at ages 1, 3, 6, months and 1, 5, 10, 15, 25, 50, and 75 years.	Human/ET/TB	Pulmonary ventilation ranged from 34 mL/s (in 1-month-old) to 190 mL/s (in 15-year-old). V_T varied with age	Regional extraction is insensitive to age. Extraction per unit surface area is 2- to 8-fold higher in infants compared to adults. PU and ET regions have a large increase in unit extraction with increasing age. Early postnatal period is time of largest differences in PK, due to immaturity of metabolic enzymes.	Sarangapani et al. (2003)
To examine the impact on predictions due to the value used for the TB region volume at FRC and due to TB region volume change during respiration.	Single-path, one-dimensional (along axis of airflow), time-dependent, convection-dispersion equation of mass transport. Single-path anatomical model.	Human /RT/ URT: Nunn et al. (1959) LRT: Weibel (1963) Rat / RT/ URT: Patra et al. (1987) TB: Yeh et al. (1979) PUL: Mercer et al. (1991)	Human: V_T = 500, 2250 mL; f = 15, 30 bpm. Rat: V_T = 1.4, 2.4 ml; f = 96, 157 bpm. One constant concentration.	(1) A better understanding and characterization of the role of TB region expansion (mainly the rat) and volume is important for an improved understanding of respiratory-tract dosimetry modeling of reactive gases. (2) Extrapolations based on dose in the PAR can differ significantly from those based on exposure concentration or total uptake. (3) Human subjects who appear similar outwardly may have very different PAR doses and potentially different responses to the same exposure.(Uptake by the URT was not considered.)	Overton et al. (1996)
To make parameter modifications so that a single-path model would simulate AF from bolus-response experiments involving O_3 (and Cl_2).	Single-path, one-dimensional (along axis of airflow), time-dependent, convection-dispersion equation of mass transport. Single-path anatomical model.	Human/ RT/URT (oral): Olson et al. (1973). URT (nasal): Olson et al. (1973) and Guilmette et al. (1989) LRT: Weibel (1963).	Oral & nasal breathing. Flow rates = 150, 250, 1000 mL/s, V_T = 500 mL. Bolus-response simulations	(Simulation results for O_3 only) (1) Using parameter values from the literature and assuming that absorption was gas-phase controlled, the simulations of O_3 data were realistic at flow rate = 250 mL/s, but not realistic at 1000 mL/s. (2) Accurate simulations at 250 mL/s required modification of mass transfer coefficients reported in the literature for the conducting airways. (3) It was necessary to include a diffusion resistance for the epithelial lining fluid based on an assumed O_3 reaction rate constant that was much greater than in in vitro estimates. (4) Partial validation of the final parameters (determined at 250 mL/s) was obtained by simulations of bolus-response data at flow rates of 150 and 1000 mL/s. Validation was obtained also by simulating internal measurements of O_3 in subjects exposed during quiet breathing.	Bush et al. (2001)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]The anatomical models used in an investigation generally differ from those described in the references, e.g., dimensions are often scaled to dimensions appropriate to the dosimetry investigation; or the original structure may be simplified, keeping or scaling the original dimensions.

With an RT dosimetry model, Overton et al. (1996) investigated the sensitivity of absorbed fraction (AF), proximal alveolar region (PAR) dose, and PAR dose ratio to TB region volume (V_{TB}) and TB region expansion in human beings and rats. The PAR was defined as the first generation distal to terminal bronchioles and the PAR dose ratio was defined as the ratio of a rat's predicted PAR dose to a human's predicted PAR dose. This ratio relates human and rat exposure concentrations so that both species receive the same PAR dose. In rats the PAR is a region of major damage from O_3. For each species, three literature values of V_{TB} were used: a mean value and the mean ± twice the SD. The following predictions were obtained:

(1) The sensitivity of AF and PAR dose to V_{TB} depends on species, ventilation, TB region overall mass transfer coefficient (k_{TB}), and expansion. For k_{TB} = 0.26 cm/s and quiet breathing, AF was predicted to vary by less than 3% for the ±2 SD range of V_{TB}. In contrast, the PAR dose predicted for the smallest V_{TB} is five times larger than the PAR dose predicted with the largest V_{TB}. The effect of V_{TB} is much less during heavy exercise: the ratio of maximum to minimum PAR dose was approximately 1.5. In any case, the simulations predicted that fractional changes in AF due to different V_{TB} are not, in general, a good predictor of the fractional changes in PAR doses.

(2) Relative to no expansion in the TB region, expansion decreases both AF and PAR dose. The largest effect of including expansion in the human simulations was to decrease the AF by ≈8%; in rats, the maximum decrease was ≈45%. The PAR doses decreased relatively more, 25 and 65% in human beings and rat, respectively.

(3) The authors attempted to obtain an understanding as to uncertainty or variability in estimates of exposure concentrations (that give the same PAR dose in both species) if the literature mean value of V_{TB} was used. For various values of f, V_T, k_{TB}, and expansion, the PAR dose ratios at upper and lower values of V_{TB} deviated in absolute values from the PAR dose ratio calculated at the mean values of V_{TB} by as little as 10% to as large as 310%. The smallest deviation occurred at the largest V_T and smallest k_{TB} for both species; whereas, the largest deviation occurred at the smallest V_T and largest k_{TB} for both species.

Bush et al. (2001) modified the single-path model of Bush et al. (1996b) in order to be able to simulate absorbed fraction data for O_3 (and Cl_2, which is not considered) for three airflow rates and for oral and nasal breathing. By adjusting several parameters a reasonable agreement between predicted and experimental values was obtained. On the other hand, the O_3 plots of the

experimental and predicted values of absorbed fraction versus penetration volume (e.g., Figures 4 and 5 of Bush et al., 2001) show sequential groups composed of only positive or only negative residuals, indicating a lack of fit. Possibly adjusting other parameters would eliminate this. To obtain an independent validation of the model, Bush et al. (2001) simulated measurements of O_3 concentrations made by Gerrity et al. (1995) during both inhalation and exhalation at four locations between the mouth and the bronchus intermedius of human subjects. Simulated and experimental values obtained are in close agreement. Note, however, that Bush et al. made no quantitative assessment of how well their simulations agreed with the experimental data; assessments were made on the basis of visual inspection of experimental and simulated values plotted on the same figure. Thus, evaluation of the model was, or is, subjective.

Recently Sarangapani et al. (2003) used physiologically based pharmacokinetic (PBPK) modeling to characterize age- and gender-specific differences in both regional and systemic uptake of O_3 in humans. This model indicated that regional extraction of O_3 is relatively insensitive to age, but extraction per unit surface area is 2- to 8-fold higher in infants compared to adults, due to the region-specific mass transfer coefficient not varying with age. The PU and ET regions have a large increase in unit extraction with increasing age because both regions increase in surface area. Males and females in this model have similar trends in regional extraction and regional unit extraction. In early childhood, dose metrics were as much as 12 times higher than adult levels, but these differences leveled out with age, such that inhalation exposures varied little after age 5. These data suggest that the early postnatal period is the time of the largest difference in pharmacokinetics observed, and this difference is primarily due to the immaturity of the metabolic enzymes used to clear O_3 from the respiratory tract.

Mudway and Kelly (2004) attempted to model O_3 dose-inflammatory response using a meta-analysis of 23 exposures in published human chamber studies. The O_3 concentrations ranged from 0.08 to 0.6 ppm and the exposure durations ranged from 60 to 396 minutes. The analysis showed linear relationships between O_3 dose and neutrophilia in bronchoalveolar lavage fluid (BALF). Linear relationships were also observed between O_3 dose and protein leakage into BALF.

AX4.4 SPECIES HOMOLOGY, SENSITIVITY AND ANIMAL-TO-HUMAN EXTRAPOLATION

Biochemical differences among species are becoming increasingly apparent and these differences may factor into a species' susceptibility to the effects of O_3 exposure. Lee et al. (1998) compared SD rats and rhesus monkeys to ascertain species differences in the various isoforms of CYP moonoxygenases in response to O_3 exposure (discussed in more detail in Section 5.3.1.2). Differences in activities between rat and monkey were 2- to 10-fold, depending on the isoform and the specific lung region assayed. This study supports the view that differential expression of CYPs is a key factor in determining the toxicity of O_3. As further characterization of species- and region-specific CYP enzymes occurs, a greater understanding of the differences in response may allow more accurate extrapolation from animal exposures to human exposures and toxic effects.

Arsalane et al. (1995) compared guinea pig and human AM recovered in BALF and subsequently exposed in vitro to 0.1 to 1 ppm for 60 minutes. Measurement of inflammatory cytokines showed a peak at 0.4 ppm in both species. Guinea pig AM had an increase in IL-6 and TNF-α while human AM had increases in TNF-α, IL-1b, IL-6 and IL-8. This exposure also caused an increase in mRNA expression for TNF-α, IL-1b, IL-6 and IL-8 in human cells. At 0.1 ppm exposures, only TNF-α secretion was increased. These data suggest similar cytokine responses in guinea pigs and humans, both qualitatively and quantitatively.

Dormans et al. (1999) continuously exposed rats, mice, male guinea pigs to filtered air, 0.2, or 0.4 ppm O_3 for 3 to 56 days or for 28 days to follow recovery at 3, 7, and 28 days PE. Depending on the endpoint studied, the species varied in sensitivity. Greater sensitivity was shown in the mouse as determined by biochemical endpoints, persistence of bronchiolar epithelial hypertrophy, and recovery time. Guinea pigs were more sensitive in terms of the inflammatory response though all three species had increases in the inflammatory response after three days that did not decrease with exposure. In all species the longest exposure to the highest dose caused increased collagen in ductal septa and large lamellar bodies in Type II cells, but that response also occurred in rats and guinea pigs at 0.2 ppm. No fibrosis was seen at the shorter exposure times and the authors question whether fibrosis occurs in healthy humans after continuous exposure. The authors do not rule out the possibility that some of these differences

may be attributable to differences in total inhaled dose or dose actually reaching a target site. Overall, the authors rated mice as most susceptible, followed by guinea pigs and rats.

Comparisons of airway effects in rats, monkeys and ferrets resulting from exposures of 1.0 ppm O_3 for 8 h (Sterner-Kock et al. 2000) demonstrated that monkeys and ferrets had a similar inflammatory responses and epithelial necrosis. The response of these two species was more severe than that seen in rats. These data suggest that ferrets are a good animal model for O_3-induced airway effects due to the similarities in pulmonary structure between primates and ferrets.

The rat is a key species used in O_3 toxicological studies, but Watkinson and Gordon, (1993) suggest that, because the rat has both behavioral and physiological mechanisms that can lower core temperature in response to acute exposures, extrapolation of these exposure data to humans may be limited. Another laboratory (Iwasaki et al., 1998) has demonstrated both cardiovascular and thermoregulatory responses to O_3 at exposure to 0.1, 0.3, and 0.5 ppm O_3 8 h/day for 4 consecutive days. A dose-dependent disruption of HR and T_{co} were seen on the first and second days of exposure, which then recovered to control values. Watkinson et al. (2003) exposed rats to 0.5 ppm O_3 and observed this hypothermic response which included lowered HR, lowered T_{co}, and increased inflammatory components in BALF. The authors suggest that the response is an inherent reflexive pattern that can possibly attenuate O_3 toxicity in rodents. They discuss the cascade of effects created by decreases in T_{co}, which include: (1) lowered metabolic rate, (2) altered enzyme kinetics, (3) altered membrane function, (4) decreased oxygen consumption and demand, (5) reductions in minute ventilation, which would act to limit the dose of O_3 delivered to the lungs. These effects are concurrent with changes in HR which lead to: (1) decreased CO, (2) lowered BP, (3) decreased tissue perfusion, all of which may lead to functional deficits. The hypothermic response has not been observed in humans except at very high exposures.

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AX5. ANNEX TO CHAPTER 5 OF OZONE AQCD

Table AX5-1. Cellular Targets of Ozone Interaction

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.22	4 h with exercise	Rat, male, SD, 90 days old, 300-330 g, n = 6/group	Demonstrated the ozonation of PUFA to form nonanal and hexanal in rat BALF. Increases in nonanal not accompanied by significant changes in lung function, epithelial permeability, or airway inflammation. Hexanal levels did not increase significantly. Levels of both aldehydes returned to baseline by 18 h PE.	Frampton et al. (1999)
0.5 - 10 both with and without 5% CO_2	1 h	Rat, male, SD, 90 days old, 300-330 g, n = 6-14/group	O_3 plus CO_2 increased the V_T and the yield of aldehydes with a maximal aldehyde yield at 2.5 ppm for 1 h. 0.5 ppm O_3 with 5% CO_2, levels of hexanal and nonanal increased at 30 minutes, decreased slightly from that level at 60 minutes, was maximal at 90 minutes and then dropped to 60 minutes levels at 120 minutes. Levels of heptanal did not change appreciably during this time course. Suggests that levels of these aldehydes were dependent on a dynamic relationship between their production and the disappearance from the ELF.	Pryor et al. (1996)
0.25 - 1.0	30-60 min	Rat, male, SD, 250-275 g, n = 3-5/group 3 model systems:isolated epithelial lining fluid, intact lung, and liposome suspensions	PUFAs directly react with O_3. The amount of bioactive lipids produced is inversely related to AA availability.	Postlethwait et al. (1998)
0.3 - 1.1	Chemical systems: 15-10 min. Cell: 1-2 h	Interfacial films (dipalmitoylglycero-3-phosphocholine (DPPC));Rat, SD BALF; human lung fibroblast cell line	DPPC films: reduced O_3 reactive absorption by antioxidants. Human lung fibroblast cell line: AA produced cell injury; high levels of O_3 and AA were needed to induce cell injury; the DPPC films reduced the amount of cell injury. Suggests that O_3 reactions with ELF substrates cause cell injury; that films of active, saturated phospholipids reduce the local dose of O_3-derived reaction products; and that these interfacial phospholipids modulate the distribution of inhaled O_3 and the extent of site-specific cell injury.	Connor et al. (2004)
0.4	1 h with exercise	Human AM	Ozone exposure caused apoptosis, an increase in a 32-kDa protein adduct, and an increase in ferritin and a 72-kDa heat shock protein. Exposure of AM to HNE replicated these effects suggesting that creation of protein adducts and apoptotic cell death are cellular toxic effects of acute O_3 exposure and that they are mediated, at least in part by HNE.	Hamilton et al. (1998)

Table AX5-2. Effects of Ozone on Lung Monooxygenases

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
1.0 1.0	8 h 90 days	Rat, male, SD, 350-600 g, n = 3-6/group	Increases CYP2E1 activity in lobar-bronchi and major daughter airway with 8 h exposure. Decreased CYP2E1 activities in both major and minor daughter airways with 90 day exposure. O_3 does not result in consistent dramatic alterations in CYP2E1 activities.	Watt et al. (1998)
0.8	8 h / day for 90 days	Rat, male, SD, 275-300 g	CYP2B activity increased. Linked to Clara cells in distal lung only—not in trachea or proximal airway.	Paige et al. (2000a)
1	2 h	Mice, male, 2-3 months old, Clara Cell Secretory Protein deficient, WT strain 129 n = 3/group	CCSP-<-mice had increases in IL-6 and MT mRNA that preceded decreases in Clara cell CYP2F2 mRNA. WT mice had levels change, but to a lesser degree.	Mango et al. (1998)
NA		Rat, male, SD, adult monkey, Rhesus, 0.75 to 9.7 years old	Microdissection for regiospecific and species-specific differences in isoforms of CYPs. Rat parenchyma: both CYP1A1 and CYP2B were highest. Rat airways: CYP2E1 was highest. Rat airways and parenchyma: P450 reductase activities were high, and conversely, low in trachea. Monkeys: did not exhibit site-selective differences in CYP2B1, CYP1A1, or P450 reductase; however, they had high CYP2E1 activity in parenchyma and distal bronchioles.	Lee et al. (1998)

CYP = Cytochrome P-450
WT = wild-type
MT = metallothionein
CCSP = Clara Cell Secretory Protein

Table AX5-3. Antioxidants, Antioxidant Metabolism, and Mitochondrial Oxygen Consumption

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
1.0	6 h/day, 5 days/week for 2 or 3 mo.	Rat, male Fischer F344, 30-32 days old, n = 4	Immunohistochemistry and immunogold labeling studies. In epithelial cells in airways and parenchyma: reduced Cu-Zn SOD labeling with O_3-exposure. In the CAR regions, in both AMs and Type II epithelial cells: significantly increased levels of Mn SOD. Mn SOD levels were not increased in Type I epithelial cells, fibroblasts, or Clara cells. Suggests that the increased levels of Mn SOD in Type II cells in the proximal alveolar duct confer tolerance and protection from further O_3-induced injury.	Weller et al. (1997)
0.2	6 h	Dog, male, mongrel, ~/9 kg, n = 6/group	Blocking antioxidant transport with probenecid caused heterogeneously distributed increases in peripheral airway resistance and reactivity. Probenecid inhibited O_3-induced neutrophilic inflammation, which is evidence of a dissociation between airway function and inflammation. Probenecid caused a 50-60% decrease in plasma urate, a decrease in ascorbate, and a decrease in BALF protein. Suggests probenecid has either a direct or indirect effect on either cytokine or leukotriene transport.	Freed et al. (1999)
0, 0.1, 0.25, 0.5, 1.0 or 1.5	30-720 min	Model of continually mixed, interfacial exposure	Modeled the interactions of O_3 with three ELF antioxidants, AA, UA and GSH. Ranking of reactivity with O_3 was UA > AA > GSH. Antioxidants caused no changes in sample pH and protein carbonyl formations. Consumption of the antioxidants occurred in a linear fashion with time and a positive relationship to O_3 concentration. Suggests that GSH is not an important substrate for O_3; UA appeared to be the most important substrate.	Mudway and Kelly (1998)

Cu = Copper
Zn = Zinc
Mn = Manganese
SOD = Superoxide Dismutase
AM = Alveolar Macrophage
BALF = Bronchoalveolar Lavage Fluid
AA = Ascorbic Acid
UA = Uric Acid
GSH = Reduced Glutathione

Table AX5-4. Lipid Metabolism and Content of the Lung

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species/Cell Line	Effects	Reference
NA	60 min	Cultured human epithelial cells (BEAS-2B)	Incubation with10 μM lipid oxidation products caused significant release of arachidonic acid. Suggests that lipid oxidation products cause activation of specific lipases, which then trigger the activation of second messenger pathways (e.g., phospholipase A_2 or phospholipase C).	Pryor et al. (1995)
NA		Cultured human bronchial epithelial cells (NHBE) and BEAS-2B cells	Incubation with lipid ozonation product 1-palmitoyl-2-(9-oxononanoyl)-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine (PC-ALF) and 1-hydroxy-1-hydroperoxynonane (HHP-C9). PC-ALF elicited release of (PAF) and prostaglandin E2, but not IL-6. HHP-C9 caused release of PAF and IL-6 in these cells, but not prostaglandin E2. Suggests that O_3-induced production of lipid ozonation products causes release of proinflammatory mediators that then generate an early inflammatory response.	Kafoury et al. (1999)
0.06, 0.125, and 0.25 ppm	2 to 48 h	Lung (calf surfactant)	Dose- and time-dependent increase in the formation of 1-palmitoyl-2-(9'-oxo-nonanoyl)-glycerophosphocholine (16:0a/9-al-GPCho), an oxidized phospholipid, which possessed biological activity in three assays. The 16:0a/9-al-GPCho: (1) decreased macrophage viability by necrosis at 6 μM, (2) induced apoptosis in pulmonary epithelial-like A549 cells at 100-200 μM, and (3) elicited release of IL-8 from A549 cells at 50-100 μM.	Uhlson et al. (2002)
0.8	30 min	Human red blood cell (RBC) model	Human RBCs intermittently covered by an aqueous film consisting of rat BALF or BALF plus added reagents that included AA, UA, GSH, Trolox (a vitamin E analog), SOD, catalase, desferrioxamine, deithylenetriaminepentaacectic acid, mannitol or BSA. Oxidation of lipids in BALF or on membranes was assayed by measuring TBARS accumulation and loss of acetylcholinesterase activity. AA and GSH induced dose-dependent oxidative damage to the cell membrane proteins and lipids via secondary oxidant formation. Conclusion: early in O_3 exposure, ELF antioxidants are high enough to drive reactive absorption of O_3 into the ELF and to concurrently quench secondary reaction products, thus limiting cell injury. With continued exposure, O_3 flux would decrease, cellular injury would increase due to depleted antioxidants levels. They hypothesize that especially in areas where O_3 deposition is high, unreacted O_3 and cytotoxic products can diffuse to the cell membranes, causing injury.	Ballinger et al. (2005)

Table AX5-4 (cont'd). Lipid Metabolism and Content of the Lung

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species/Cell Line	Effects	Reference
2.0	4 h	Rat BALF exposed to O_3 in vitro.	The major reaction products identified were 5-hydroperoxy-*B*-homo-6-oxa-cholestan-3,7a-diol, 5β,6β-epoxycholesterol, and 3β-hydroxy-5oxo-5,6-seco-cholestan-6-al.	Pulfer and Murphy (2004)
0.2, 0.5, or 1.0	1 h	Cultured human bronchial epithelial cells (16-HBE)	Extracted lipid reaction products either immediately or 24 h PE. Higher levels of 5β,6β-epoxycholesterol were recovered in the extract immediately PE. Both 5β,6β-epoxycholesterol and its most abundant metabolite, cholestan-6-oxo-3β,5α-diol, were cytotoxic to 16-HBE cells at physiologically relevant concentrations. Both reaction products were also shown to be potent inhibitors of cholesterol synthesis.	
0.5, 1.0, 2.0, or 3.0	3 h	Mice, C57BL/6J, 8-12 week old female. n = 4	In BALF, lavaged cells, and whole lung homogenate there was a dose-dependent increase in formation cholestan-6-oxo-3β,5α-diol at exposure levels of 0.5, 1.0 and 2.0 ppm O_3, respectively. In BALF and lavaged cells O_3 induced increases in 5β,6β-epoxycholesterol at exposure levels of 0.5 and 1.0, respectively.	Pulfer et al. (2005)

PAF = Platelet-Activating Factor
RBC= Red Blood Cell
AA = Ascorbic Acid
GSH = Reduced Glutathione
IL-6 = Interleukin-6
IL-8 = Interleukin-8
ELF = Epithelial Lining Fluid
BALF = Bronchoalveolar Lavage Fluid
BSA - Bovine Serum Albumin
TBARS = thiobarbituric acid
UA = Uric Acid

Table AX5-5. Effects of Ozone on Protein Synthesis

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.4	1,3,7,28, or 56 days	Rat, male, Wistar, 200 g, n = 5/group	Centriacinar thickening of septa after 7 days of exposure, which progressed at 28 and 56 days of exposure. After 28 days of O_3, the increase in collagen content in ductular septa was apparent and it increased progressively until the 56 daytime point. Collagen content decreased with PE recovery, the structural fibrotic changes in ductular septa did not return to control levels. Respiratory bronchioles were present at an increasing degree, which persisted after an 80-day recovery period. Suggests that subchronic O_3 exposures in rats creates a progression of structural lung injury that can evolve into a more chronic form, which included fibrosis.	van Bree et al. (2001)

Table AX5-6. Effects of Ozone on Differential Gene Expression

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
1	8 hours for three consecutive nights	Mice, C57BL/6, 20-25 g, n = 5-6/group	Ozone exposure induced changes in expression of 260 genes (80% repressed and 20% induced). Cell cycle genes upregulated: *S*-adenosyl methionine decarboxylase 3, ribonucleotide reductase, and clusterin. NF-κB-induced genes upregulated: serum amyloid protein, topoisomerase IIα, monocyte chemoattractant protein, platelet-derived growth factor, and inhibitor of apoptosis. Downregulation of transcripts for isoforms of myosins and actins. CYP family genes downregulated:2a4,and 2e1, and 2f2, as were aryl-hydrocarbon receptor and several glutathione transferases. Metallothionein 1 and 2 and lactotransferrin upregulated. Major histocompatibility complex genes and lymphocyte specific proteins downregulated.	Gohil et al. (2003)

Table AX5-7. Effects of Ozone on Lung Host Defenses

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Microbiologic Endpoints				
0.1, 0.3	4 h/day, 5 days/week, 1 or 3 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g	No effect on cumulative mortality from subsequent lung infection with 4-8 × 10^6 *Listeria monocytogenes*, but concentration-related effects on morbidity onset and persistence. One-week exposed rats: listeric burdens trended higher than in controls; 0.3 ppm rats displayed continual burden increases and no onset of resolution; in situ IL-1α, TNFα, and IFNγ levels 48 and 96 h post-infection (4 × 10^6 level) higher than controls. Three-week exposed rats: no O_3-related change in bacterial clearance; IL-1α, TNFα, and IFNγ levels higher than control only at 48 h post-infection (4 × 10^6) and only with 0.3 ppm rats.	Cohen et al. (2001, 2002)
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 8 weeks old, n = 4-10/group	Single exposure to *S. zooepidemicus* led to differential clearance patterns in exposed rats maintained on *ad libitum* or O_3-mitigating calorie-restricted diets.	Dong et al. (1998)
Clearance Endpoints (Non-Microbial)				
0.01 -1.0	10 min	Rat, SD	Single 10 min exposure of tracheal explants, followed by 1 h incubation with particles, led to dose-related increases in uptake of amosite asbestos and titanium dioxide particles. Effect inhibited by added catalase or desferoxamine, but not by superoxide dismutase.	Churg et al. (1996)
0.4	6 h	Dog, male, mixed breed, 1-3 years old, n = 7/group	Increased tracheal permeability to ^{99m}Tc-DTPA after direct sublobar exposure to O_3. Clearance halftimes remained significantly lower for 1-7 d PE, but recovered by 14 days PE.	Foster and Freed (1999)
Alveolar Macrophage Endpoints (General)				
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 250-275 g, n = 5-6/group	Increased ex vivo AM adherence to epithelial cultures mitigated by cell pretreatment with anti-CD11b or anti-ICAM-1 antibodies.	Bhalla (1996)
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 250-300 g, n = 5/group	Increased ex vivo AM adherence to epithelial cell cultures mitigated by cell pretreatment with anti-TNFα/IL-1α antibodies.	Pearson and Bhalla (1997)
1.0	4 h	Mice cell line (WEH1-3)	Increased intracellular calcium resting levels in WEHI-3 cells. Decreased rates of calcium influx due to digitonin.	Cohen et al. (1996)

Table AX5-7 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Host Defenses

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Alveolar Macrophage Endpoints (Functional)				
0.1, 0.3	4 h/day, 5 days/week, 1 or 3 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g	Superoxide anion: increased AM production (1 week; 0.1, 0.3 ppm); no intergroup differences noted after IFNγ stimulation. H_2O_2: reduced production (1 week; 0.1, 0.3 ppm); further reduced production after treatment with IFNγ (0.1, 0.3 ppm, 1 and 3 weeks).	Cohen et al. (2001)
0.1, 0.3	4 h/day, 5 days/week, 1 or 3 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g	Increased AM superoxide anion production (1 week; 0.1, 0.3 ppm), Lower H_2O_2 production (1 week; 0.1, 0.3 ppm). Reduced production after treatment with IFNγ - superoxide (0.3 ppm, 1 week) and H_2O_2 (0.1 ppm, 1 week) - relative to cells without IFNγ treatment. No effects from 3-week exposures.	Cohen et al. (2002)
0.3	5 h/day, 5 days/week, 4 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g, n = 10/group	No effect on AM endotoxin-stimulated IL-1α, IL-6, or TNFα production. Decrease in stimulated, but not spontaneous, superoxide formation; variable effects on H_2O_2 formation. No effect on AM spontaneous, endotoxin-, or IFNγ-stimulated, NO formation.	Cohen et al. (1998)
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 250-275 g, n = 5-6/group	Increased AM motility in response to chemotaxin; effect mitigated by cell pretreatment with anti-CD11b or anti-ICAM-1 antibodies.	Bhalla (1996)
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 8 weeks old, n = 4-10/group	Decrease in AM phagocytic activity.	Dong et al. (1998)
0.8	3 h	Mice, female, (B6J129SV) (C57/BL6X 129 $NOS^{-/-}$), 8-16 weeks old, n = 3-12/group	Increased AM spontaneous and IFNγ + LPS-induced NOS expression and NO production and PGE_2 release. Initial decrease in ROI production, with eventual rebound. Knockout ($NOS^{-/-}$) mice AM incapable of similar response to O_3 – no inducible NO or PGE_2 above control levels and consistent decreased ROI production.	Fakhrzadeh et al. (2002)
1.0	24 h/day, 3 days	Rat, male, Wistar, 8-12 weeks,	BALF from exposed rats subsequently inhibited IFNγ-induced AM NO production.	Koike et al. (1998, 1999)

Table AX5-7 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Host Defenses

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Cytokines, Chemokines: Production, Binding, and Inducible Endpoints				
0.1, 0.3	4 h/day, 5 days/week, 1 or 3 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g,	Superoxide anion: no intergroup differences noted after IFNγ stimulation. H_2O_2: reduced production after treatment with IFNγ.	Cohen et al. (2001)
0.1, 0.3	4 h/day, 5 days/week, 1 or 3 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g, n = 3-5/group	Decreased expression of CD3 among lung lymphocytes (0.1 ppm only; 3 weeks); effect exacerbated by stimulation with IFNα (but not with IL-1α). Decreased expression of CD25 (IL-2R) on $CD3^+$ lymphocytes (0.3 ppm only; 3 weeks); effect worsened by treatment with IL-1α (0.1, 0.3 ppm; 3 weeks). No effects on IL-2-inducible lympho-proliferation. Reduced AM production of ROIs after treatment with IFNγ; superoxide anion (0.3 ppm, 1 week) and H_2O_2 (0.1 ppm, 1 week) - relative to untreated cells.	Cohen et al. (2002)
0.3	5 h/day, 5 days/week, 4 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g, n = 10/group	No effect on AM endotoxin-stimulated IL-1α, IL-6, or TNFα production.	Cohen et al. (1998)
0.3 1.0 2.5	24 or 96 h 1, 2, or 4 h, or 24 h	Mice, male, C57Bl/6J, adult, n = 3/group	0.3 ppm: Increased lung: MIP-2, MCP-1, and eotaxin mRNA expression. 1.0 ppm: After 4 h, increased lung: MIP-2, MCP-1, eotaxin, and IL-6 mRNA expression. 2.5 ppm: After 2 h, increased lung: MIP-2, MCP-1, eotaxin, and IL-6 mRNA expression. No exposure-related increases in lung IL-1α, IL-1β, IL-1Rα, IL-10, IL-12, or IFNγ mRNA expression.	Johnston et al. (1999a)
1.0	4 h	Mice cell line (WEH1-3)	Decreased binding of IFNγ by WEHI-3 cells. Decreased superoxide anion production by IFNγ-treated cells; no similar effect on H_2O_2 production. Decreased IFNγ-stimulated phagocytic activity. No effect on IFNγ-inducible Ia (MHC Class II) antigen expression.	Cohen et al. (1996)
1.0	6 h	Rat, male, SD, 200-250 g, n = 3-6/group	Increased AM MIP-1α, CINC, TNFα, and IL-1β mRNA expression. Induced increase in MIP-1α and CINC mRNA temporally inhibited by cell treatment with anti-TNFα/IL-1β antibodies.	Ishii et al. (1997)

Table AX5-7 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Host Defenses

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Cytokines, Chemokines: Production, Binding, and Inducible Endpoints (cont'd)				
1.0	24 h/day, 3 days	Rat, male, Wistar, 8-12 weeks old	BALF from exposed rats subsequently inhibited: ConA-stimulated lymphocyte IFNγ production, but had no effect on IL-2 production; IL-2-induced lymphoproliferation; and, IFNγ-induced AM NO production.	Koike et al. (1998, 1999)
1.0	24 h	Mice, male, C57Bl/6J, 8 weeks old, n = 3/group	Increased lung: MIP-2 (4 h PE) and MCP-1 (4 and 24 h PE) mRNA expression.	Johnston et al. (2001)
1.0	24 h	Mice, male, C57Bl/6J, 8 weeks old, n = 3/group	Increased lung MIP-2 and MCP-1 mRNA expression (4 and 24 h PE); no effects on mRNA levels of IL-1α, IL-1β, IL-1Rα, IL-6, MIF, MIP-1α, MIP-1β, eotaxin, or RANTES at either time point in recovery period. Enhanced expressions of some cytokines/chemokines were maintained longer than normal by coexposure to endotoxin.	Johnston et al. (2002)
1.0	8 h/day, 3 days	Mice (C57Bl/6) (C57Bl/6Ai^{-} NOS$^{-/-}$) n = 3-10/group	Knockout (NOS$^{-/-}$) mice have more lavageable MIP-2 after exposure than wild-type; both greater than control.	Kenyon et al. (2002)
1.0, 2.5	4 or 24 h	Mice, male, C57Bl/6J, adult, n = 3/group	Dose-related increases in cytokine/chemokine induction. Increased lung MIP-1α, MIP-2, eotaxin (4 and 24 h), IL-6 (4 h only), and iNOS mRNA expression.	Johnston et al. (2000a)
0.6, 2.0	3 h	Mice, C57BL/6, Rat, Wistar, 14-16 weeks old, n = 4-6/group	Increased lung MIP-2 (4 h PE) and MCP-1 mRNA expression (24 h PE); PMN and monocyte increased accumulation in lungs consistent with sequential expression of the chemokines. NF-kB activation also increased 20-24 h PE.	Zhao et al. (1998)
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 250-300 g, n = 5/group	Increased ex vivo AM adherence to epithelial cells mitigated by cell treatment with anti-TNFα or IL-1α antibodies.	Pearson and Bhalla (1997)
0.8	3 h	Mice, female, B6J129SV, C57Bl/6X 129 NOS$^{-/}$, 8-16 weeks, n = 3-12/group	Increased AM IFNγ + LPS-induced NOS expression and NO production, as well as induced PGE_2 release. Knockout (NOS$^{-/-}$) mice AM incapable of similar response to O_3 - no inducible NO or PGE_2 above control levels.	Fakhrzadeh et al. (2002)

Table AX5-7 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Host Defenses

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Cytokines, Chemokines: Production, Binding, and Inducible Endpoints (cont'd)				
0.8	3 h	Mice, female, B6J129SV, C57Bl/6X 129 $NOS^{-/-}$, 8-16 weeks, n = 3-4/group	Increased AM IFNγ + LPS-induced NOS expression and NO production.	Laskin et al. (2002)
2.0	3 h	Rat, female, SD, 200-225 g, n = 4-6/group	Increased AM spontaneous and IFNγ + LPS-induced NOS expression and NO production. AM from exposed rats showed rapid onset/prolonged activation of NF-κB.	Laskin et al. (1998a)
0.08-0.25 and 1% OVA	4 h, 3 times/week, 4 weeks	Mice, female, BALB/c, C57BL/6, 6-8 weeks old, n = 4-12/group	O_3 - dose-dependent increases in IgE, IL-4, IL-5; recruitment of eosinophils and lymphocytes in BALB/c; O_3 + OVA - increased IgG, antibody titers, leukotrienes, airway responsiveness, immediate cutaneous hypersensitivity reactions in BALB/c. In C57BL/6 only O_3 + OVA caused cutaneous hypersensitivity and altered IgG responses.	Neuhaus-Steinmetz et al. (2000)
Alveolar Macrophage/Lung NO- and iNOS-Related Endpoints				
0.3	5 h/day, 5d/week, 4 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g, n = 10/group	No effect on AM spontaneous, endotoxin-, or IFNγ-stimulated, NO formation.	Cohen et al. (1998)
0.8	3 h	Mice, female, B6J129SV, C57Bl/6X 129 $NOS^{-/-}$, 8-16 weeks, n = 3-12/group	Increased AM IFNγ + LPS-induced NOS expression and NO production and PGE_2 release. Knockout ($NOS^{-/-}$) mice AM incapable of similar response to O_3 - no inducible NO or PGE_2 above control levels.	Fakhrzadeh et al. (2002)
0.8	3 h	Mice, female, B6J129SV, C57Bl/6X 129 $NOS^{-/-}$, 8-16 weeks, n = 3-4/group	Increased AM spontaneous and IFNγ + LPS-induced NOS expression and NO production. AM from exposed mice showed rapid and prolonged activation of NF-κB, STAT-1 (expression, activity), phosphoinositide 3-kinase, and protein kinase B.	Laskin et al. (2002)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Alveolar Macrophage/Lung NO- and iNOS-Related Endpoints (cont'd)				
1.0	8 h/day, 3 days	Mice, C57Bl/6, C57Bl/6Ai$^-$ NOS$^{-/-}$, n = 3-10/group	Knockout (NOS$^{-/-}$) mice have more lavageable PMN, MIP-2, and protein in lungs after exposure than wild-type.	Kenyon et al. (2002)
1.0	24 h/day, 3 days	Rat, male, Wistar, 8-12 weeks, n = 2/group	BALF from exposed rats subsequently inhibited IFNγ-induced AM NO production.	Koike et al. (1998, 1999)
1.0, 2.5	4 or 24 h	Mice, male, C57Bl/6J, adult, n = 3/group	Dose-related increase in lung iNOS mRNA expression.	Johnston et al. (2000a)
2.0	3 h	Rat, female, SD, 200-250 g, n = 1-3/group	Increased AM spontaneous, IFNγ, and LPS-induced NO production, as well as spontaneous and LPS-induced NOS expression. Effect somewhat ameliorated by pretreatment with bacterial endotoxin.	Pendino et al. (1996)
2.0	3 h	Rat, female, SD, 200-225 g, n = 3-6/group	Increased AM spontaneous and IFNγ + LPS-induced NOS expression and NO production. AM from exposed rats showed rapid onset/prolonged activation of NF-κB.	Laskin et al. (1998b)
3.0	6 h	Rat, female, Brown Norway, 250-300 g, n = 4-8/group	Increased lung iNOS mRNA expression. Effect blocked by pretreatment with dexamethasone.	Haddad et al. (1995)
0.12, 0.5, or 2	3 h	Mice, female, BALB/c, 5-6 weeks	Dose-dependent increases in nitrate and P_{enh}; increases in nNOS, but not iNOS or eNOS.	Jang et al. (2002)
Surface Marker-Related Endpoints				
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 250-275 g, n = 5-6/group	Increased expression of AM CD11b, but no effect on ICAM-1.	Bhalla (1996)
1.0	4 h	Mice cell line (WEH1-3)	No effect on IFNγ-inducible Ia (MHC Class II) antigen expression on WEHI-3 cells.	Cohen et al. (1996)
1.0	2 h	Rat, female, SD, 170-210 g, n = 8-12/group	Decreased expression of integrins CD18 on AM and CD11b on PMN. No effect on PMN CD62L selection.	Hoffer et al. (1999)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Surface Marker-Related Endpoints (cont'd)				
1.0	3 days	Rat, male, Wistar and Fischer F344, 8-10 weeks, n = 3/group	Increased expression of surface markers associated with antigen presentation: Ia (MHC Class II) antigen, B7.1, B7.2, and CD11b/c on BAL cells. Effect attributed to influx of monocytes.	Koike et al. (2001)
0.1, 0.3	4 h/day, 5 days/week, 1 or 3 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g	Decreased expression of CD3 among lung lymphocytes (0.1 ppm only; 3 weeks); effect exacerbated by stimulation of cells with IFNα (but not with IL-1α). Decreased expression of CD25 (IL-2R) on $CD3^+$ lymphocytes (0.3 ppm only; 3 weeks); effect worsened by treatment of cells with IL-1α (0.1 and 0.3 ppm; 3 weeks).	Cohen et al. (2002)
NK- and Lymphocyte-Related Endpoints				
0.1, 0.3	4 h/day, 5 days/week, 1 or 3 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 200-250 g	Decreased expression of CD3 among lung lymphocytes (0.1 ppm only; 3 weeks); effect exacerbated by stimulation of cells with IFNα (but not with IL-1α). Decreased expression of CD25 (IL-2R) on $CD3^+$ lymphocytes (0.3 ppm only; 3 weeks); effect worsened by treatment of cells with IL-1α (0.1 and 0.3 ppm; 3 weeks). Lymphoproliferation: no effect on spontaneous or IL-2-inducible forms; 0.1 ppm increased response to ConA mitogen (1 week only); 0.3 ppm - decreased response to ConA (1 week only).	Cohen et al. (2002)
0.4, 0.8, 1.6	12 h	Mice, male, BALB/c, 6-8 weeks old, n = 5-8/group	Decreased pulmonary delayed-type hypersensitivity reactions to low MW agents, likely via activation of T_H2-dependent pathways.	Garssen et al. (1997)
1.0	24 h/day, 3 days	Rat, male, Wistar, 8-12 weeks old	Lavage fluid from exposed rats subsequently inhibited ConA-stimulated lymphocyte IFNγ production, but had no effect on IL-2 production; material also inhibited IL-2-induced lymphoproliferation.	Koike et al. (1999)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Susceptibility Factors				
0.3	24 to 72 h	Mice C57BL/6J C3H/HeJ C3H/HeOuJ, 6-8 weeks old, n = 4-8/group	Lavageable protein concentration lowered by inhibition of iNOS and by targeted disruption of *Nos2*; reduced *Nos2* and *Tlr4* mRNA levels in the O_3-resistant C3H/HeJ mice.	Kleeberger et al. (2001b)
1	4 h	CHO-K1 cell line SP-A	Differences exist biochemically and functionally in SP-A variants. O_3 exposure affects the ability of variants to stimulate TNFα and IL-8.	Wang et al. (2002)
0.3	24 - 72 h	Mice, male, C57BL/6J, C3H/HeJ, C3H/HeOuJ, 6-8 weeks old, n = 5-16/group	Identified a candidate gene on chromosome 4, Toll-like receptor 4 (*Tlr4*), a gene implicated in endotoxin susceptibility and innate immunity. O_3-resistant strain C3H/HeJ and C3H/HeOuJ (differing from the O_3-resistant strain by a polymorphism in the coding region of *Tlr4*) were exposed, greater protein concentrations were demonstrated in the OuJ strain. Differential expression of *Tlr4* mRNA with O_3 exposure. Suggests quantitative trait locus on chromosome 4 is responsible for a significant portion of the genetic variance in O_3 -induced lung hyperpermeability; potential interaction between the innate and acquired immune system.	Kleeberger et al. (2000)
0.1	2 h	Mice, male, C57BL/6, 6-8 weeks old	Sensitized the mice to OVA by intratracheal instillation of OVA-pulsed dendritic cells (the principal antigen-presenting cells in airways). Created Th2 lymphocyte-dependent eosinophilic airway inflammation. Groups of mice exposed to O_3 during sensitization by OVA-pulsed dendritic cells showed no modification of the allergic sensitization process, whereas, previously sensitized mice exposed to O_3, demonstrated increases in allergen-induced airway inflammation. Suggests that dendritic cells are an important component of O_3-induced eosinophilic airway inflammation.	Depuydt et al. (2002)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Susceptibility Factors (cont'd)				
0.1, 0.5, and 1.0	2 h	Human lymphocytes	Subsequent to O_3 exposure, when lymphocytes were stimulated with pokeweed mitogen (PWM, a T-cell-dependent stimulus) or *Staphylococcus aureus* Cowan 1 strain (SAC, a T-cell-independent stimulus), both B and T cells were found to be affected by O_3 preexposure. T cells also demonstrated an increase in IL-6 and a decrease in IL-2, suggesting that O_3 may have direct effects on IgG-producing cells and concurrently an effect that is mediated by altered production of T cell immunoregulatory molecules.	Becker et al. (1991)
NA		Rat BALF; Murine macrophage cell line (RAW 264.7)	Both SP-A and SP-D directly protected surfactant phospholipids and macrophages from oxidative damage. Both proteins blocked accumulation of TBARS and conjugated dienes generated during oxidation of surfactant lipids or low density lipoprotein particles by a mechanism that does not involve metal chelation or oxidative modification of the proteins.	Bridges et al. (2000)

AM = Alveolar macrophage; PE = Postexposure (i.e., time after O_3 exposure ceased); MIP = macrophage inflammatory protein; PMN = Polymorphonuclear leukocyte; MLN = Mediastinal lymph node; CINC = cytokine-induce neutrophil chemoattractant; BAL = Bronchoalveolar lavage; DTPA = diethylenetriaminepentaacetic acid; ROI = reactive oxygen intermediate/superoxide anion; IFN = Interferon; BALT = Bronchus-associated lymphoid tissue; MCP = monocyte chemoattractant protein; CON A = Concanavalin A; OVA = Ovalbumin; SP-A = Surfactant Protein A; SP-D = Surfactant Protein D

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.1 0.2 0.5	0.5 h, in vitro	Rat, SD, primary alveolar Type II cells	Decreased transepithelial resistance (R_t) after 0.5 ppm from 2 to 24 h PE and at 48 h in monolayers subjected to PMNs. Significantly lower R_t after PMN treatment at 0.2 and 0.5 ppm.	Cheek et al. (1995)
0.1 0.2 0.4 1.0	1 h, in vitro	Guinea pig, male and female, Hartley, and human alveolar macrophages	Exposure of guinea pig alveolar macrophages to 0.4 ppm for 60 minutes produced a significant increase in IL-6 and TNFα, and an exposure of human alveolar macrophages to identical O_3 concentration increased TNFα, IL-1β, IL-6 and IL-8 protein and mRNA expression.	Arsalane et al. (1995)
0.2 0.4 0.8	23 h/day for 1 week	Guinea pigs, female (Hartley), 260-330 g n = 4-10/group	Increase in BALF protein and albumin immediately after 0.8 ppm exposure, with no effect of ascorbate deficiency in diet. O_3-induced increase in BALF PMN number was only slightly augmented by ascorbate deficiency.	Kodavanti et al. (1995)
0.26	8 h/day, 5 days/week for 1-90 days	Mice, male (mast cell-deficient and -sufficient), 6-8 weeks old n = 4-8/group	Greater increases in lavageable macrophages, epithelial cells and PMNs in mast cell -sufficient and mast cell-deficient mice repleted of mast cells than in mast cell-deficient mice. O_3-induced permeability increase was not different in genotypic groups.	Kleeberger et al. (2001b)
0.3	48 h and 72 h. Exposures repeated after 14 days	Mice, male, C57BL/6J and C3H/HeJ, 6-8 weeks old	Greater BALF protein, inflammatory cell and LDH response in C57BL/6J than in C3H/HeJ after initial exposure. Repeated exposure caused a smaller increase in BALF protein and number of macrophages, lymphocytes and epithelial cells in both strains, but PMN number was greater in both strains of mice compared to initial exposure.	Paquette et al. (1994)
0.1 0.3 1.0	60 min	Rat basophilic leukemia cell line (RBL-2H3)	O_3 inhibited IgE- and A23187 - indued degranulation. Spontaneous release of serotonin and modest generation of PGD2 occurred only under conditions that caused cytotoxicity.	Peden and Dailey (1995)
0.3 2.0	72 h 3 h	Mice, male and female, C57BL/6J and C3H/HeJ	Greater PMN response in C57BL/6J than in C3H/HeJ after acute and subacute exposures. Responses of recombinant mice were discordant and suggested two distinct genes controlling acute and subacute responses. Genes termed Inf-1 and Inf-2.	Tankersley and Kleeberger, (1994)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.3	48 h	Mice, C57BL/6J and C3H/HeJ, 6-8 weeks old	Susceptibility to O_3 is linked to a quantitative trait locus, and TNFα is identified as a candidate gene.	Kleeberger et al. (1997)
0.3	24 or 48 h	Mice, male, C57BL/6J, 8 weeks old n = 3/group	0.3 ppm for 24 h caused increase in mRNA for eotaxin, MIP-1a and MIP-2.	Johnston et al. (1999a)
1.0	1, 2 or 4 h		1 ppm for 4 h caused increase in mRNA for eotaxin, MIP-1a, MIP-2, and IL-6.	
2.5	2, 4 or 24 h		2.5 ppm for 2 and 4 h caused increase in mRNA for MIP-1a, MIP-2 and IL-6 and metallothionein. Greater increases and lethality after 24 h.	
0.3	72 h	Mice, male {HeJ, OuJ, Nos2 (+/+) [C57BL/6J-Nos2 (+/+)], and Nos2 (−/−) [C57BL/6J-Nos2 (−/−)]}, 6-8 weeks old	O_3 induced permeability was decreased by pretreatment with a nitric oxide synthase inhibitor and in animals with iNOS gene knocked out.	Kleeberger et al. (2001a)
0.4	5 weeks	Guinea pigs, male, (Hartley), 5 weeks old (350-450 g) n = 7-8/group	Ovalbumin instillation in the nose caused an increase in O_3-induced infiltration of eosinophils in nasal epithelium.	Iijima et al. (2001)
0.15, 0.3, or 0.5	3 h	Rat, male, SD 6-8 weeks old, n = 2-6/group	Time-related increase in permeability and inflammation, with a peak at 8 h PE, after 0.5 ppm. No change following exposure to 0.15 or 3 ppm.	Bhalla and Hoffman (1997)
0.5	4 h, 12-4 PM for daytime and 7-11 PM for nighttime exposures. Exposures repeated 16 h later.	Rat, male, Wistar, 60-90 days old n = 5-15/group	Significantly greater increase in IL-6, but not inflammation, following a nighttime exposure compared to daytime exposure. An initial nighttime exposure resulted in lesser inflammation following a subsequent exposure. Pretreatment with IL-6 receptor antibody abolished cellular adaptive response without affecting inflammatory response induced by initial nighttime exposure.	McKinney et al. (1998)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.5 1.0 2.0		Rat, male, Fisher, 90 days old n = 6-12/group	Increase in BALF protein and albumin occurred immediately after 2 ppm exposure, and at 18 h after 1 ppm. No increase after 0.5 ppm. The movement of water and protein into airspace were not coupled.	Cheng et al. (1995)
1.0-2.0	3 h	Mice, C57BL/6, 6-8 weeks old and rats, Wistar, 14-16 weeks old n = 4-6/group	Steady state MCP-1 mRNA increase after 0.6 ppm, with maximal increase after 2 ppm. After 2 ppm, MIP-2 mRNA peaked at 4 h PE and MCP-1 mRNA peaked at 24 h PE. BALF neutrophils and monocytes peaked at 24 and 72 h PE, respectively. BALF MCP-1 activity induced by O_3 was inhibited by an anti-MCP-1 antibody.	Zhao et al. (1998)
0.5	24 h following a 3-day (6 h/day) exposure to cigarette smoke	Mice, male, B6C3F1, 25 ± 2 g, 10 weeks old, n = 6/group	BALF protein, neutrophils and lymphocytes were increased in animals exposed to smoke and then to O_3. Macrophages from this group also responded with greater release of TNFα upon LPS stimulation.	Yu et al. (2002)
0.5	8 h during nighttime	Rat, male, Wistar, SD and Fischer F344, 90 days old n = 3-8/group	Exposure resulted in a significantly greater injury, inflammation and BALF levels of IL-6 in Wistar than in SD or F344 rats.	Dye et al. (1999)
0.8	2h and 6 h	Rats, male, Fisher F344, Juvenile (2 months; 180-250 g), Adult (9 months; 370-420 g), Old (18 months; 375-425 g), Senescent (24 months; 400-450 g) n = 2/group	Comparable effect on the leakage of alveolar protein in rats of different age groups, but a greater increase occurred in interleukin-6 and N-acetyl-beta-D-glucosaminidase in senescent animals than in juvenile and adult rats.	Vincent et al. (1996).
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 6-8 weeks old, n = 5/group	Increased adhesion of macrophages from exposed animals to rat alveolar type II epithelial cells in culture. Treatment with anti-TNFα + anti-IL-1α antibody decreased adhesion in vitro, but not permeability in vivo.	Pearson and Bhalla (1997)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, SD 6-8 weeks old, n = 5/group	Increase in fibronectin protein in BALF and lung tissue, and fibronectin mRNA in lung tissue. The increase produced by O_3 was amplified in animals pre-treated intra-tracheally with rabbit serum to induce inflammation.	Gupta et al. (1998)
0.8	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 200-225 g, n = 2-9/group	Treatment of animals with IL-10 prior to O_3 exposure caused a reduction in O_3 induced BALF protein, albumin and fibronectin and tissue fibronectin mRNA.	Reinhart et al. (1999)
0.8	8 h	Monkey, male, Rhesus, 3 years 8 months-3 years 10 month old n = 2-6/group	Pretreatment of monkeys with a monoclonal anti-CD18 antibody resulted in a significant inhibition of O_3-induced neutrophil emigration and accumulation of necrotic airway epithelial cells.	Hyde et al. (1999)
0.8 1.0-2.0	48 h 3 h	Rat, male, SD, 6-8 weeks old, 200-225 g, n = 3-8/group	Cyclophosphamide treatment ameliorated O_3-induced BALF neutrophils and albumin after short term and 1-day exposure. Anti-neutrophil serum reduced lavageable neutrophils but did not affect permeability.	Bassett et al. (2001)
0.8	8 h	Monkeys, male, Rhesus, 3 years 8 months-3 years 10 months old (5.1-7.6 kg) n = 2-6/group	Tracheal epithelium of exposed animals expressed b6 integrin. The integrin expression was reduced or undetectable in animals treated with CD-18 antibody.	Miller et al. (2001)
0.8	3 h	Mice, female, C57BL6X129NOSII knockout and wild-type B6J129SV F2, 8-16 weeks old, n = 3-12/group	Alveolar macrophages from O_3 exposed wild-type mice produced increased amounts of NO, peroxynitrite, superoxide anion, and PGE2. Nitrogen intermediates were not produced and PGE2 was at control level in exposed NOSII knockout mice. These mice were also protected from O_3-induced inflammation and injury.	Fakhrzadeh et al. (2002)
1.0	5 min exposure of airway segments following bronchoscopy	Dogs, male, Mongrel, Adult, n = 1-4/group	Mast cells from O_3-exposed airways of ascaris sensitive dogs released significantly less histamine and PGD2 following in vitro challenge with ascaris antigen or calcium ionophore.	Spannhake (1996)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
1.0	8 h, assayed 1 and 2 h PE	Monkeys (Rhesus)	Increase in steady state IL-8 mRNA in airway epithelium. Increase in IL-8 protein staining declined at 24 h after exposure.	Chang et al. (1998)
0.2 0.5 1.0	In vitro at liquid/air interface	Primary TBE, BEAS-2b S and HBE1	Dose related increase in IL-8 release in the conditioned media. Ozone produced greater toxicity in cell lines than in primary cultures.	
1.0	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 6-8 weeks old, n = 4-5/group	Time-related increase in BALF protein, fibronectin (Fn), and alkaline phosphatase (AP) activity. Fn mRNA detected in macrophages, and AP in Type II cells and in BALF PMNs from exposed animals only.	Bhalla et al. (1999)
1	2 h	Rats, female, SD, 170-210 g n = 8-12/group	The expression of CD18 on alveolar macrophages and CD11b on blood PMNs was lowered by exposure, but CD62L expression on blood PMNs was not affected.	Hoffer et al. (1999)
1	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 6-8 weeks old, n = 5/group	Time-related increase in BALF albumin, PMNs, MIP-2 and ICAM-1, and increase in MIP-2 mRNA only at early time point in BALF macrophages. MIP-2 mRNA not detected in lung tissue.	Bhalla and Gupta (2000)
1	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 250-275 g, n = 6/group	Ozone induced increase in BALF albumin, fibronectin and PMN number was associated with an increase in expression of TNFα, IL-1α, IL-6 and IL-10 mRNA. Pretreatment with anti-TNFα antibody caused downregulation of gene expression and reduction of BALF albumin and PMN number, but not fibronectin.	Bhalla et al. (2002)
1	6 h	Rat, male, SD, 200-250 g, n = 3-6/group	Increase in number of macrophages with mRNA transcripts and immunocytochemical staining of IL-1, TNFα, MIP-2 and cytokine-induced neutrophil chemoattractact (CINC). Chemokine activities were reduced by treatment of macrophages with anti-IL-1β and anti-TNFα antibodies.	Ishii et al. (1997)
0.5 1.0 2.5	4 h	Mice, male (129 wild-type or Clara Cell Secretory Protein -/-), 2-5 months old, n = 3/group	Increases in IL-6 and metallothionein mRNA by 2 h after exposure to 1 ppm. mRNA increases were further enhanced in CCSP -/- mice.	Mango et al. (1998)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
1.0	8 h/night for three nights	Mice, (C57Bl/6 wild-type and iNOS knockout) n = 3-10/group	O_3 exposure produced greater injury, as determined by measurement of MIP-2, matrix metalloproteinases, total protein, cell content and tyrosine nitration of whole lung protein, in iNOS knockout mice than in wild-type mice.	Kenyon et al. (2002)
1.0	4 h	Mice, male (129 strain, wild-type and Clara Cell Secretory Protein-deficient), 2-3 mo old, n = 3/group	Increases in abundance of mRNAs encoding eotaxin, MIP-1a and MIP-2 in CCSP-/-, but no change in wild-type mice.	Johnston et al. (1999b)
1.2	6 h	Rat, male, Brown Norway, 200-250 g, n = 4/group	Eotaxin mRNA expression in the lungs increased 1.6-fold immediately after and 4-fold at 20 h. Number of lavageable eosinophils increased 3- and 15-fold respectively at these time points. Alveolar macrophages and bronchial epithelial cells stained positively for eotaxin.	Ishii et al. (1998)
2.0	3 h	Mice, male, C57BL/6J, 6-8 weeks old, n = 5-10/group	O_3-induced increase in protein and PMNs in BALF, and pulmonary epithelial cell proliferation were significantly reduced in animals pre-treated with UK-74505, a platelet activating factor-receptor antagonist.	Longphre et al. (1999)
2.0	3 h	Rat, female, SD, 6-8 weeks old	BALF cells from exposed animals released 2 to 3 times greater IL-1 and TNFα, and greater fibronectin. Immunocytochemistry showed greater staining of these mediators in lung tissue from exposed rats.	Pendino et al. (1994)
1.1	8 h	Rat, Wistar, -depleted of neutrophils, 43 days old, n = 9-10/group	Epithelial necrosis in the nasal cavity, bronchi, and distal airways. Proliferation of terminal bronchiolar epithelial cells also decreased by O_3 exposure, suggesting a role for neutrophils in the repair process.	Vesely et al. (1999)
0.32	48 h (subacute) 3 h (acute)	Mice, male, C57BL/6J, WT TNRF1KO TNRF2KO 6-8 weeks old, n = 3-12/group	TNFR1 and TNFR2 KOs less sensitive to subacute O_3 exposure than WT. With acute exposures, airway hyperreactivity was diminished in KO mice compared to WT mice, but lung inflammation and permeability were increased.	Cho et al. (2001)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.3	24 to 72 h	Mice C57BL/6J C3H/HeJ C3H/HeOuJ 6-8 week old, n = 5-16/group	Differential expression of *Tlr4* mRNA.	Kleeberger et al. (2000)
2.0	3 h	Mice C3H/HeJ, A/J, C57BL/6J, 129/SvIm, CAST/Ei, BTBR, DBA/2J, FVB/NJ, BALB/cJ, n = 6-24/group	Two strains consistently O_3-resistant: C3H/HeJ and A/J. Two strains consistently O_3-vulnerable: C57BL/6J and 129/SvIm. Five strains with inconsistent phenotypes with intermediate responses: CAST/Ei, BTBR, DBA/2J, FVB/NJ, and BALB/cJ.	Savov et al. (2004)
1	3 h- examined at 3 h PE	Guinea pigs, male, Dunkin-Hartley, OVA-sensitized	PMN levels significantly increased, without any change in BAL protein levels, suggesting a lack of correlation between the two endpoints. Increased AHR.	Sun et al. (1997)
1	1 h examined 24 h PE		Increase in PMN, no increase in BAL protein levels. No increased AHR, suggesting a dissociation between PMN levels and AHR.	
0.4	1 or 5 days/ 12 h/day, recovery period in fresh air of 5, 10, 15, or 20 days after the 5-day preexposure	Rat, Wistar, male, 7 weeks old, n = 5/group	Exposure for 5 days caused lower BALF proteins, fibronectin, IL-6, and inflammatory cells than animals exposed for 1 day. Postexposure challenge with single O_3 exposures at different time points showed that a recovery of susceptibility to O_3 (as measured by BALF levels of albumin, IL-6, and the number of macrophages and neutrophils) occurred at ~15-20 days, but total protein and fibronectin levels remained attenuated even at 20 days post-5-day exposure. The recovery with regards to BrdU labeling occurred in 5-10 days after the 5 day exposure.	Van Bree et al. (2002)
2	2 h, examined 2, 12, and 48 h PE	Rat, female, SD, 200-250 g n = 4-7/group	Adherence of neutrophils to pulmonary vascular endothelium was maximal within 2 h after exposure and returned to control levels by 12 h PE.	Lavnikova et al. (1998)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
1.0 or 2.5	4, 20, or 24 h, examined immediately PE 10 min	Mice, C57Bl/6J, 36 h and 8 week old Endotoxin (10 ng) n = 3/group	RPA for IL-12, IL-10, IL-1α, IL-1β, IL-1Ra, MIF, IFNγ, MIP-1α, MIP-2,IL-6, and Mt. Newborn mice: increased Mt mRNA only. 8-week-old mice: increased MIP-1α, MIP-2, IL-6, and Mt mRNA. Both age groups had similar cytokine/chemokine profiles with endotoxin exposure, suggesting that the responses to endotoxin, which does not cause epithelial injury, and the responses to O_3, which does, demonstrate that differences in inflammatory control between newborn and adult mice is secondary to epithelial injury.	Johnston et al. (2000b)
0.8	3 days, continuous	Rat, male, SD, 30 days old, n = 6/group	General dietary restriction to 20% of the freely-fed diet for 60 days caused an extreme reduction in body weight and higher survivability. Levels of antioxidants and detoxifying enzymes increased less than in freely fed animals.	Elsayed (2001)
1.8 0.11	3 h 24/h day for up to 3 days, assays immediately or at 16 h PE	Mice, female, C57BL/6J CBA C3H/HeJ AKR/J SJL/J, 6-8 weeks old, n = 4-7/group	Both exposure levels caused a transient increase in CC16 in serum that correlated with BALF changes in protein, LDH, and inflammatory cells. Inverse relationship between preexposure levels of CC16 in BALF and epithelial damage based on serum CC16 levels and BALF markers of inflammation. Inverse relationship between preexposure levels of albumin in BALF and lung epithelium damage. Suggests that a major determinant of susceptibility to O_3 is basal lung epithelial permeability. C57BL/6J mice had lower levels of CC16a (the more acidic form) than C3H/HeJ. Both the strains had similar levels of CC16b. Suggests that basal lung epithelial permeability is a major determinant of susceptibility; greater epithelial permeability observed in C57BL/6J may be due to difference in the expression of CC16a and possibly other antioxidant/inflammatory proteins.	Broeckaert et al. (2003)
0.1 - 2 2	3 h, assayed 6 h PE (exposure-response) 3 h, assayed 0, 2, 6, or 24 h PE (time-course)	Mice, C57BL/6, n = 2-4/group	$O_3 \geq 1$ppm increased MIP-2 mRNA and recruitment of neutrophils. MIP-2 increase was immediate and decreased to control by 24 h PE.	Driscoll et al. (1993)

Table AX5-8 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Permeability and Inflammation

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
1 or 3	2-6 h, assayed at 2, 8 and 24 h PE	Rat, female, Brown Norway, 250-300 g, n = 4-8/group	MIP-2 peaked at 2 h and rapidly declined. PMNs in BALF increased at 2, 8 and 24 h. No significant increase in AMs, eosinophils, lymphocytes or epithelial cells. MIP expression preceded increase in PMN. Both responses suppressed by dexamethasone, which suggests a mechanism of glucocorticoid regulation of inflammation.	Haddad et al. (1995)
1or 3	3 h	Rat, male, Brown Norway, 200-250 g, n = 3/group	Increase in lung CINC mRNA within 2 h PE exposure. Significant increase in PMNs in BALF 24 h PE. Anti-CINC antibody (1 mg, i.v.) suppressed neutrophilia but not the increase in AHR to acetylcholine. Anti-CINC antibody inhibited BALF neutrophilia induced at 3 ppm AHR. Results suggest that CINC causes O_3-induced neutrophil chemoattraction, but is not involved in the induction of ozone-induced AHR.	Koto et al. (1997)
0.12, 0.24, 0.5	3h, NfκB assayed 0 h PE, TNFα assayed 0, 1, 2, 4, 16, 20 or 22 h PE	Cultures of human nasal epithelial (HNE) cells	Electron spin resonance signal suggested free radical production. Small dose-response activation of NFκB coincided with O_3-induced free radical production. TNFα increased with exposures to 0.24 and 0.5 ppm at 16 h PE. Results suggest that the human airway epithelium plays a role in directing the inflammatory response to inhaled O_3 via free radical-mediated NFκB.	Nichols et al. (2001)
0.8	3h	Rats, SD, 200-250g, n = 5-6/group	AMs from O_3-exposed rats exhibited greater motility and greater adhesion in cultures of epithelial cells (ARL-14). O_3-induced motility and adhesion were attenuated with AMs incubated in the presence of Mabs to leukocyte adhesion molecules, CD11b, or epithelial cell adhesion molecules, ICAM-1. Increased surface expression of CD11b but no change in ICAM-1 expression in AMs from O_3-exposed rats. Demonstration of alteration of AM functions following O_3 exposure. Possible dependence of these functions on the biologic characteristics, rather than the absolute expression, of cell adhesion molecules.	Bhalla (1996)

Table AX5-8 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Permeability and Inflammation

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
2	3h	Mice, male and female, C57BL/6J, assayed immediately or 3, 6, 9, or 21 h PE	Increase in tissue expression of ICAM-1 3 -9 h PE, remaining until 21 h PE. Bronchioles and terminal bronchiole/alveolar duct regions: Enhanced ICAM-1-IR 0 - 3 h PE, returning to baseline by 21 and 9 h, respectively. Lung parenchyma: maximal ICAM-1 expression and PMN influx concurrent 3 h, followed by transepithelial migration of PMNs to the airway lumen. Suggests regional variations in airway inflammatory activity; upregulation of ICAM-1 may play a role in local regulation of PMN influx to the airways after acute exposure.	Takahashi et al. (1995a)
2	4 h	Rat, SD, male, 225-250 g, treated with 10 mg/kg ebselen every 12 h from 1 h before O_3 exposure, n = 4/group	Ebselen significantly decreased pulmonary inflammation (albumin and PMN in BALF) 18 h PE without altering AM expression of iNOS. Ebselen inhibited the nitration reaction of tyrosine residues and enhanced expression of Cu-, Zn-,and Mn SOD. Suggests that ebselen scavenges peroxynitrite during O_3-induced inflammation and may protect against acute lung injuries by modulating the oxidant-related inflammatory process.	Ishii et al. (2000a)
3	2 h	Human transformed bronchial epithelial cells (16-HBE) Guinea pigs, Hartley, male, 450-550 g, n = 3-5/group	NO donors increased IL-8 production dose-dependently. TNFα plus IL-1β plus INFγ increased IL-8 in culture supernatant of epithelial cells. NOS inhibitors (aminoguanidine plus NG-nitro-L-arginine methyl ester) attenuated the cytokine-induced IL-8 production. O_3 induced AHR to acetylcholine and increased PMN in BALF. Persisting for 5 h. Pretreatment with NOS inhibitors did not affect AHR or PMN accumulation 0 h PE, but, inhibited at 5 h PE. Suggests that endogenous NO, through upregulation of IL-8, modulates O_3-induced airway inflammation and AHR.	Inoue et al. (2000)

Table AX5-8 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Permeability and Inflammation

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.12, 0.5, 1, or 2	3h	Mice, female, BALB/c, 5-6 weeks old	O_3 exposure caused dose-dependent increases in nitrate (indicative of in vivo NO generation). Increases in enhanced pause (P_{enh}) were also dose-dependent. Increases in NOS-1, but not in NOS-3 or iNOS isoforms. Suggest that NOS-1 may induce airway responsiveness by neutrophilic airway inflammation.	Jang et al. (2002)

PMN = Polymorphonuclear leukocyte
PE = Postexposure (time after O_3 exposure ceased)
BAL = Bronchoalveolar lavage
BALF = Bronchoalveolar lavage fluid

Table AX5-9. Effects of Ozone on Lung Structure: Acute and Subchronic Exposures

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.1 0.5 1.0	8 h/ day × 1 day 8 h/day × 1 day 8 h/day × 1, 10, 75, and 90 days	Rat; male, SD, 350-600 g, n = 3-6/group	No dose-related response on CYP2E1, one of six P450 enzymes identified in respiratory tissue. CYP2E1 activity was elevated (250% and 280%) in the lobar bronchi/major daughters airways immediately after 1.0 ppm O_3 exposure for 1 day and 10 days, respectively, but not in the trachea or distal bronchioles; CYPE1 activity was unchanged and decreased after 1.0 ppm O_3 exposure for 75 and 90 days, respectively.	Watt et al. (1998)
0.2 0.4	3, 7, 28, and 56 days; 3-, 7-, and 28-day recovery from 28 days of exposure	Mice, male, NIH, Rat, male, Wistar RIV:Tox Guinea pig, male, Hartley Crl:(HA)BR, 7 weeks old, n = 3-9/group	Concentration-related centriacinar inflammation, with a maximum after 3 days of exposure; number of alveolar macrophages and pulmonary cell density increased progressively until 56 days of exposure, with the guinea pig the most sensitive species. Concentration and exposure-time dependent hypertrophy of bronchiolar epithelium in mouse only. Exposure to 0.2 ppm for 3 and 7 days caused significant histological and morphometric changes in all 3 species; exposure for 56 days caused alveolar duct fibrosis in rat and guinea pigs. Total recovery in rats after 28-day exposure, but not in guinea pigs or mice.	Dormans et al. (1999)
0.2 0.4 0.8	23 h/day for 7 days	Guinea pig, female, Hartley; ±AH_2 diet	Treatment-related lesions were observed after exposure to 0.4 and 0.8 ppm O_3; lesions were primarily seen in the terminal bronchioles and consisted of mononuclear cell and neutrophilic infiltrate and thickening of the peribronchiolar interstitium. Effects were only marginally exacerbated by the AH_2 (ascorbic acid) deficient diet and lesions were resolved after 1 week in FA.	Kodavanti et al. (1995)
0.4	12 h/day; 1- or 7-day exposure	Rat, Wistar RiV:TOX, male and female, 1, 3, 9, & 18 months of age, n = 5-6/group	Centriacinar inflammation (increased alveolar macrophages and PMNs; increased proximal and ductular septal density) was greatest in young rats (1 month and 3 months for 1-and 7-day exposures, respectively) and decreased with age. No major gender differences were noted.	Dormans et al. (1996)

Table AX5-9 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Structure: Acute and Subchronic Exposures

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.4 1.0	2 h	Monkey; adult male Rhesus	Reduced glutathione (GSH) increased in the proximal intrapulmonary bronchus after 0.4 ppm O_3 and in the respiratory bronchiole after 1.0 ppm O_3. Local O_3 dose (measured as excess ^{18}O) varied by as much as a factor of three in different airways of monkeys exposed to 1.0 ppm, with respiratory bronchioles having the highest concentration and the parenchyma the lowest concentration. After exposure to 0.4 ppm, the O_3 dose was 60% to 70% less and epithelial injury was minimal, except in the respiratory bronchiole, where cell loss and necrosis occurred, but was 50% less than found at 1.0 ppm.	Plopper et al. (1998)
0.5	8 h + BrdU to label epithelial cells	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 13 weeks old, n = 6/group	O_3 exposure induced a transient influx of neutrophils and a significant (17%) loss of NTE cells 2-4 h after exposure. Increased epithelial DNA synthesis was first detected 12 h PE. LI and ULLI indices of epithelial cell DNA synthesis were greatest 20-24 h and still elevated 36 h PE; numeric density of NTE cells returned to control levels 20-24 h PE.	Hotchkiss et al. (1997)
0.5	8 h/day, 3 or 5 days; + fluticasone propionate (FP) intranasally	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 203-232 g, n = 6/group	No significant difference of fluticasone propionate on morphometry of the maxilloturbinates; O_3 exposure caused neutrophilic rhinitis with 3.3- and 1.6-fold more intraepithelial neutrophils (3-day and 5-day exposure, respectively) and marked mucous cell metaplasia (5-day exposure only) with numerous mucous cells and approximately 60 times more intraepithelial mucosubstances in the nasal transitional epithelium; FP-treated rats exposed to O_3 had minimal nasal inflammation and mucous cell metaplasia.	Hotchkiss et al. (1998)
0.5	8 h/day, 3 days + endotoxin (100 μg/mL) intranasally	Rat, male, Fischer F344/N Hsd, 12 weeks old, n = 6/group	Endotoxin-induced neutrophilia in nasal mucosa with NTE; mucous cell metaplasia was not detected in air/endotoxin-exposed rats, was observed in O_3/saline-exposed rats, and was most severe in O_3/endotoxin-exposed rats.	Fanucchi et al. (1998)

Table AX5-9 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Structure: Acute and Subchronic Exposures

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.5	8 h/day, 1, 2, or 3 days + BrdU to label epithelial cells + antirat neutrophil antiserum	Rat, male, Fischer F344/N, 10-12 weeks old, n = 6-8/group	Acute O_3 exposure induced a rapid increase in rMuc-5AC mRNA levels prior to the onset of mucous cell metaplasia; neutrophilic inflammation coincided with epithelial DNA synthesis and upregulation, but was resolved when mucous cell metaplasia first appeared in the NTE. Maxilloturbinates lined with NTE determined the epithelial labeling index, numeric densities of neutrophils, total epithelial and mucous secretory cells, amount of stored intraepithelial mucosubstances, and steady-state ratMUC-5AC (mucin) mRNA levels. Four days after a 3-d exposure, antiserum-treated, O_3-exposed rats had 66% less stored intraepithelial mucosubstances and 58% fewer mucous cells in their NTE than did controls. Antiserum treatment had no effects on O_3-induced epithelial cell proliferation or mucin mRNA upregulation.	Cho et al. (1999a, 2000)
0.5	8 h/day, 3 days + endotoxin	Rat, male, Fischer F-344, 10-12 weeks old, n = 6/group	Enhanced epithelial lesions in the NTE and respiratory epithelium of the nose and conducting airways by endotoxin and O_3 exposures, respectively; synergistic effects of coexposure mediated by neutrophils. Endotoxin increased rMuc-5AC mRNA levels in the NTE of O_3-exposed rats; neutrophil depletion, however, had no effect on endotoxin-induced upregulation of mucin gene mRNA levels. Endotoxin enhanced the O_3-induced increase in stored mucosubstances (4-fold increase), but only in neutrophil-sufficient rats.	Wagner et al. (2001a,b)
0.5	8 h/day, 1 and 3 days + OVA (1%, 50 μL/nasal passage)	Rat, male, Brown Norway, 10-12 weeks old, n = 6/group	O_3 enhanced the appearance of eosinophils in the maxilloturbinates of OVA-challenged rats but did not increase inflammation in other nasal tissues; O_3/OVA coexposures for 3 days increased the number of epithelial cells as well as the appearance of mucus-containing cells in the NTE lining the maxilloturbinates.	Wagner et al. (2002)
1	8 h	Rat, male, SD, 10 weeks old, Ferret, male, 18 months old, Monkey, male, Rhesus, 4 years old, n = 4-8/group	Severe, acute infiltration of neutrophils along with necrotic bronchiolar epithelium in all lung regions, especially in the centriacinar region; necrosis and inflammation was more severe in ferrets and monkeys than in rats.	Sterner-Kock et al. (2000)

Table AX5-9 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Structure: Acute and Subchronic Exposures

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.5	8 h/day for 3 days, assayed 2h or 4 days PE	Rat, male, Fischer F344/N, with or without prior exposure to 100 μg/day endotoxin, 10-12 weeks old, n = 8/group	2 h PE: Endotoxin/O_3 rats had 48 and 3 times more PMNs in the NTE than did saline/air- and saline/O_3-exposed rats, respectively at 2 h PE. O_3-only rats had 35% more NTE cells and 2-fold more mucin mRNA than did saline/air-exposed rats. 4 days PE: Endotoxin/O_3 rats had 5 and 2 times more IM and mucous cells, respectively, than did saline/air- and saline/O_3- rats. No mucous cell metaplasia was present in those rats killed at 4 days postexposure. Suggests that pre-existing rhinitis augments O_3-induced mucous cell metaplasia.	Cho et al. (1999b)
0.8	8 h/day for 90 days	Rats, SD, male, 275-300g, treated i.p. with 1-nitronaphthalene (0, 50, or 100 mg/kg)	1-nitronaphthalene (a pulmonary toxicant requiring metabolic activation)-treated rats exposed to O_3 showed greater histopathologic and morphometric effects in the centriacinar region of the lung. Caused denudation of the basement membrane and necrosis of remaining epithelial cells. Increased severity of ciliated cell toxicity in O_3-exposed rats. No differences in the intrapulmonary airways or trachea in sensitivity to 1-nitronaphthalene, suggesting a site-selective synergy between O_3 and 1-nitronaphthalene.	Paige et al. (2000b)

AM = Alveolar macrophage
PE = Postexposure (i.e., time after O_3 exposure ceased)
LM = Light microscopy
EM = Electron microscopy
RB = Respiratory bronchiole
TB = Terminal bronchiole
IAS = Interalveolar septum
PMN = Polymorphonuclear leukocyte

Table AX5-10. Effects of Ozone on Lung Structure: Subchronic and Chronic Exposures

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
Mexico City Ambient: 0.018 (≥0.12 for 18 1-h intervals)	23 h/day for 7 weeks	Rat, male and female, Fischer F344, 8 weeks old	No inflammatory or epithelial lesions in nasal airways or respiratory tract.	Moss et al. (2001)
0.12 0.5 1.0	6 h/day, 5 days/week for 20 months	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 6-8 weeks old	LM morphometry of CAR remodeling. Thickened tips of alveolar septa lining ADs (alveolar entrance rings) 0.2 mm from TB in rats exposed to 0.12 ppm and to 0.6 mm in rats exposed to 1.0 ppm. At 0.5 and 1.0 ppm, atrophy of nasal turbinates, mucous cell metaplasia in NTE, increased volume of interstitium and epithelium along ADs due to epithelial metaplasia, and bronchiolar epithelial hyperplasia. At 1.0 ppm, increased AMs and mild fibrotic response (increase in interstitial matrix and cellular interstitium; the latter due to increase in volume in interstitial fibroblasts). More effects in PAR than in terminal bronchioles. Effects not influenced by gender or by aging. Effects similar to, or model of, early fibrotic human disease (e.g., idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis).	Catalano et al. (1995a,b); Chang et al. (1995); Harkema et al. (1994, 1997a,b) Pinkerton et al. (1995); Plopper et al. (1994); Stockstill et al. (1995)
0.12 0.50 1.0	6 h/day, 5 days/week for 24 and 30 months	Mice, male and female, B6C3F1, 6-7 weeks old, n = 50/group	Effects in the nose and centriacinar region of the lung at 0.5 and 1.0 ppm. Nasal lesions were mild: hyaline degeneration, hyperplasia, squamous metaplasia, fibrosis, suppurative inflammation of transitional and respiratory epithelium; and atrophy of olfactory epithelium. Lung lesions: alveolar/bronchiolar epithelial metaplasia and histiocytosis in terminal bronchioles, alveolar ducts, and proximal alveoli. Severity was greatest in mice exposed to 1.0 ppm O_3, but there was minimal interstitial fibrosis.	Herbert et al. (1996)
0.12 1.0	6 h/day, 5 days/week, for 2 or 3 months	Rat, male, Fischer F344/N, 4-5 weeks old, n = 4/group	Morphometric changes (epithelial thickening, bronchiolarization) occurred after 2 or 3 months exposure to 1.0 ppm O_3; effects were similar to those found with 20 months exposure (*see Pinkerton et al., 1995*)	Pinkerton et al. (1998)

Table AX5-10 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Structure: Subchronic and Chronic Exposures

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.011	6 months	Rat, male, Wistar, 2 months	CO = 1.25 ppm; PM = 35.18 μg/m^3; SO_2 = 29.05 μg/m^3. Induction of secretory hypertrophy, acidic mucous secretion, and ciliary damage.	Lemos et al. (1994)
0.25 0.5	8 h/day, 7 days/week for 13 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344/N HSD, 10-14 weeks old n = 5-6/group	Mucous cell hyperplasia in nasal epithelium after exposure to 0.25 and 0.5 ppm O_3; still evident after 13 weeks recovery from 0.5 ppm O_3 exposure. Mucous cell metaplasia found only after 0.5 ppm O_3, but still detectable 13 weeks PE.	Harkema et al. (1999)
0.4	23.5 h/day for 1, 3, 7, 28, or 56 days	Rat, Wistar, 7 weeks old, n = 5/group	Acute inflammatory response (increased PMNs and plasma protein in BALF) reached a maximum at day 1 and resolved within 6 days during exposure; AMs in BALF increased progressively up to day 56, and slowly returned to near control levels with PE recovery. Histological examination and morphometry of the lungs revealed CAR inflammatory responses throughout O_3 exposure; thickening of septa was observed at day 7. Ductular septa thickened progressively at days 7, 28, and 56 of exposure; showed increased collagen at day 28, which was further enhanced at day 56. Increased RBs with continuous exposure. Collagen and bronchiolization remained present after a recovery period.	Van Bree et al. (2002)
0.5	8 h/day for 1, 3, and 6 months	Rat, male, Fischer F344/N	Increased Bcl-2, a regulator of apoptosis, after 1 month, decreasing somewhat thereafter, returning to baseline by 13 weeks PE; increased number of metaplastic mucous cells in NTE after 3 and 6 months.	Tesfaigzi et al. (1998)
0.5	8 h/day for 5 days, every 5 days for a total of 11 episodes	Monkey; Rhesus, 30-day-olds, n = 6/group	Increased density and distribution of goblet cells in RB whole mounts stained with AB/PAS; extensive remodeling of distal airway with O_3 and O_3 + HDMA challenge; increased airways resistance and reactivity, and respiratory motor adaptation also occurred. Authors conclude that periodic cycles of acute injury and repair associated with the episodic nature of environmental patterns of O_3 exposure alters postnatal morphogenesis and epithelial differentiation in the distal lung of infant primates.	Schelegle et al. (2003a); Chen et al. (2003); Plopper and Fanucchi (2000)

Table AX5-10 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Lung Structure: Subchronic and Chronic Exposures

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.8	8 h/day for 90 days + 1-NN (100 mg/kg)	Rat, male, SD, 275-301 g	Increased O_3-induced centriacinar toxicity (histopathology, TEM, morphometry) of 1-Nitronaphthalene (1-NN), a pulmonary cytotoxicant requiring metabolic activation, especially to ciliated cells.	Paige et al. (2000b)
0.5	11 episodes of 5 days each, 8 h/day followed by 9 days of recovery	Monkey, Macaca mulatta, 30 days old	In small conducting airways O_3 caused decrements in density of airway epithelial nerves. Reduction greater with HDMA + O_3. O_3 or HDMA + O_3 caused increase in number of PGP 9.5 (pan-neuronal marker) in airway. CGRP-IR nerves were in close contact with the PGP9.5 positive cells. Appearance of clusters of $PGP9.5^{+}/CGRP^{-}$ cells. Suggests episodic O_3 alters developmental pattern of neural innervation of epithelial compartment.	Larson et al. (2004)
0.5	11 episodes of 5 days each, 8 h/day followed by 9 days of recovery	Monkey, Rhesus, 30 days old, n = 6/group	Abnormalities in the BMZ included: (1) irregular and thin collagen throughout the BMZ; (2) perclecan depeleted or severely reduced; (3) FGFR-1 immunoreactivity was reduced; (4) FGF-2 immunoreactivity was absent in perlecan-deficient BMZ, but was present in the lateral intercelluar space (LIS), in basal cells, and in attenuated fibroblasts; (5) syndecan-4 immunoreactivity was increased in basal cells.	Evans et al. (2003)

TB = Terminal bronchiole
PE = Postexposure (i.e., time after O_3 exposure ceased)
AM = Alveolar macrophage
LM = Light microscopy
TEM = Transmission Electron Microscopy
BMZ = Basement Membrane Zone
EM = Electron microscopy
RB = Respiratory bronchiole
IAS = Interalveolar septum
C × T = Product of concentration and time

Table AX5-11. Effects of Ozone on Pulmonary Function

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
0.5	6 or 23 h/day over 5 days	Rats, male, Fischer 344, 90 days old, n = 28-36/group, ambient temperature 10, 22, or 34 °C	Toxicity increased with decreases in temperature. At 10 °C: decreased body weight, total lung capacity, BALF protein, alkaline phosphatase activity, % PMN, and lysozyme. Ozone-induced changes in lung volume were attenuated during the 5 exposure days and returned to control levels after 7 days recovery. The responses to repeated O_3 exposure in rats were exacerbated by reduced ambient temperature, presumably as a result of increased metabolic activity.	Wiester et al. (1996)
2	3 h, assayed 1 and 24 h PE	Mice, male, C57BL/6J C3H/HeJ, 53 days old, n = 5-7/group challenged by CO_2 (5 or 8%)	C57BL/6J mice: CO_2-induced changes in V_E were attenuated 1 h after O_3 exposure; V_T was reduced 1 h after O_3 exposure; the diminished V_T 1 h after O_3 was coincident with reduced *f*, mean inspiratory flow, and slope of V_E-to-%CO_2 relationship compared with FA.; V_E partially reversed 24 h after O_3 relative to FA. C3H/HeJ: V_T was reduced 1 h after O_3 exposure; increased *f* to sustain the hypercapnic VE response similar to air exposure. Suggests that control of ventilation during response to CO_2 is governed, in part, by genetic factors in these two strains of mice, implying differential O_3 susceptibility.	Tankersley et al. (1993)
0.3	48 and 72 h, with re-exposure after 14 days of recovery	Mice, C57BL/6J, C3H/HeJ, 6-8 weeks old	V_E and *f* were measured before and immediately after exposure. Normocapnic V_E was greater following subacute O_3 exposure in C57BL/6J mice than in C3H/HeJ mice, due to increased *f* and reduced V_T, respectively. Ventilatory responses to both normocapnia and hypercapnia were similar after O_3 reexposure in both strains. Suggests that: increased V_T in C57BL/6J mice may contribute to the increased susceptibility to lung injury due to a greater dose of O_3 reaching the lower lung; mechanistic separation of airway inflammation and ventilation.	Paquette et al. (1994)
2	2-3 h, assayed 0 h PE	Mice, male, C57BL/6J, C3H/HeJ, 4 or 11-12 weeks old, n = 4-6/group	Using ^{18}O-labeled O_3. C3H/HeJ mice had 46% less ^{18}O in lungs and 61% less in trachea, than C57BL/6J. C3H/HeJ mice had a greater body temperature decrease following O_3 exposure than C57BL/6J mice. Suggests that the differences in susceptibility to O_3 are due to differences the ability to decrease body temperature and, consequently decrease the dose of O_3 to the lung.	Slade et al. (1997)

Table AX5-11 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Pulmonary Function

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
2	3 h, assayed 6 h after exposure	Mice, male and female, AKR/J, C3H/HeJ, CBA/J, 129/J, NJ, C57BL/6J, C3HeB/FeJ, SJL/J	Measured tracheal transepithelial potential in the six strains and in progeny of B6 and C3 strain mice. Fl mice and second generation backcrosses with the resistant parent were O_3 resistant. Ratios of 1:1 (resistant:susceptible) were obtained with second generation backcrosses with the susceptible parent, suggesting simple autosomal recessive inheritance of susceptibility. Susceptible phenotype: 129/J, A/J, B6,C3HeB/FeJ, and SJL/J. Resistant phenotype: AKR/J, C3, and CBA/J. Different pattern of susceptibility than with inflammation, suggesting that the responses are controlled by disparate genetic factors.	Takahashi et al. (1995b)
2	3 h	Mice, C3H/HeJ, A/J, C57BL/6J, 129/SvIm, CAST/Ei, BTBR, DBA/2J, FVB/NJ, BALB/cJ, n = 6-24/group	Used whole body plethysmography and enhanced pause index (P_{enh}) evaluations. C57BL/6J, BALB/cJ, 129/Svlm, BTBR: were highly sensitive to O_3; exhibited significant increases in P_{enh} to MCh at 6 and 24 h after exposure to O_3. DBA/2J, A/J, FVB/NJ, CAST/Ei, C3H/HeJ: increases in sensitivity to MCh at 6 h after exposure, return to near baseline by 24 h after exposure to O_3.	Savov et al. (2004)

V_E = Minute ventilation
V_T = Tidal volume
f = Frequency of breathing
FA = Filtered air
MCh = Methacholine

Table AX5-12. Effects of Ozone on Airway Responsiveness

Concentration ppm	Exposure Duration	Species, Sex, Strain, and Age	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.1 0.3	4 h/day, 4 days/week for 24 weeks	Guinea pig, male and female, Hartley, 200-250 g, n = 10-20/group	O_3 exposure did not produce airway hyperresponsiveness to ACh in nonsensitized animals; in OVA-sensitized animals, there was increased responsiveness to both nonspecific (ACh) and specific (OVA) airway challenge that persisted for 4 weeks after exposure 0.1 and 0.3 ppm O_3. Effects were not gender specific and were not associated with BALF inflammatory indicators, but were associated with antigen-specific antibodies in blood.	Schlesinger et al. (2002a,b)
0.15 0.30 0.60 1.2	4 h	Guinea pig, male Hartley, 500-600g, n = 5-8/group	Increased airway responsiveness to Hist, but not ACh, 16-18 h after 1.2 ppm O_3 exposure only. Increased responsiveness to SP occurred after exposure to $\geq$0.3 ppm O_3.	Segura et al. (1997)
0.3	4 h/day for 1, 3, 6, 12, 24, or 38 days	Guinea pig, male Hartley, 500-600 g, n = 6-7/group	Increased airway responsiveness to SP occurred 16-18 h after exposure to 0.3 ppm O_3 for 1, 3, 6, 12, and 24 days; but not after 48 days. Highly significant correlation between airway responsiveness and BALF total cells, AMs, neutrophils, and eosinophils, suggesting that airway inflammation is involved.	Vargas et al. (1998)
0.5	8 h/day for 5 days, repeated every 14 days for 6 months	Rhesus monkey, male, 30 days old, n = 6/group	Increased airway responsiveness to Hist after 10 episodes of exposure to O_3 + HDMA in sensitized infant monkeys.	Schelegle et al. (2003a)
1	1 h	Guinea pig, male, Dunkin-Hartley, 250-300 g, n = 6-7/group	Increased bronchial responsiveness at 3 h, but not 24 h after O_3; OVA had no effect on baseline, but enhanced airway responsiveness 24 h after O_3.	Sun et al. (1997)
1	1 h	Mice, male, C57BL/6, 6 weeks old, n = 10-31/group	Ozone caused increased C_{dyn} and V_E, and decreased P_aO_2 in OVA-sensitized mice.	Yamauchi et al. (2002)
2	2 h	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 14 months old, n = 6/group	Increased airway responsiveness to MCh 2 h PE.	Dye et al. (1999)

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Concentration ppm	Exposure Duration	Species, Sex, Strain, and Age	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.3 - 3.0	3 h	Mice, AJ, male and female, aged 2, 4, 8, or 12 weeks, n = 42-50/group	Nose-only exposure plethysmographs. V_E decreased with increasing age. O_3 caused concentration-related decrease in V_E at all ages, but with less response in the 2-week old. Younger mice with less decrease in O_3-induced VE demonstrated 3- to 4-times greater inhaled dose when normalized for body weight. The 2- to 4- week mice showed no AHR at any dose, while the 8- and 12 week old mice demonstrated dose-related increases in AHR. Older mice demonstrated increased levels of IL-6 and MIP-2. Suggests that young mice are less sensitive to O_3 for the endpoints of two cytokine and AHR.	Shore et al. (2002)
0.3	5 h	Mice, BALB/c, 3 weeks old, n = 5/group	Mice OVA-sensitized days 7-14; exposed days 21-23, assayed day 24 or 25 Decrease in P_{enh} in rats exposed to O_3, as a function of MCh concentration.	Goldsmith et al. (2002)
2	3 h	Mice, C57Bl/6J, and ob/ob, 8-12 weeks old, n = 6-7/group	Compared C57BL/6J and ob/ob mice (strain obese due to defect in gene coding for satiety hormone leptin). Intravenous MCh challenge induced AHR and inflammation in both groups, but was greater in obese mice. Dose per gram of lung tissue was greater in obese mice. Suggests obese mice get greater dose of O_3.	Shore et al. (2003)
2		Rats, male and female, SD, 2, 4, 6, 8, or 12 weeks, n = 4-19/group	Nose-only-exposure plethysmographs exposure. 8,12 week rats: O_3-induced 40-50% decreases in V_E (primarily due to decrease in V_T). 6 week rats: O_3-induced changes in V_E were significantly less. 2, 4 week rats: no O_3-induced changes in V_E. BALF protein and PGE2 were greater than in older rats. Suggests higher delivered dose to younger rats, decreased ventilatory response, and greater lung injury.	Shore et al. (2000)
2	2 h	Guinea pigs, male, Hartley, 400-600 g, n = 6/group	AHR to MCh peaked 2 h PE; PMN in BALF increased until 6 h PE. Tazanolast (a mast cell stabilizing drug, doses 30, 100, or 300 mg/kg) administered before O_3 exposure inhibited O_3-induced AHR dose-dependently. Suggests that mast cells may play in role in the development of AHR.	Igarashi et al. (1998)

Table AX5-12 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Airway Responsiveness

Concentration ppm	Exposure Duration	Species, Sex, Strain, and Age	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
1 or 3	4 h, assayed 4 to 72 PE	Mice, normal WBB6F1 (1/1) and mast cell-deficient WBB6F1-kit W /kit W-v (kit W /kit W-v) 8-12 weeks old, n = 3-11/group	Demonstrated O_3-induced cutaneous, as well as bronchial, mast cell degranulation. PMN influx observed at 1 ppm only in normal mice. AHR in response to MCh with 1 ppm observed in both. Suggests that mast cells are involved in O_3-induced PMN influx but not AHR.	Noviski et al. (1999)
2	2 h	Cat, 2-3 kg, n = 5/group	Cats anesthetized and mechanically ventilated, challenged with ACh. Pretreated with polyethylene glycol-superoxide dismutase (PEG-SOD) or PEG-catalase (PEG-CAT) 5 min before O_3 exposure. PEG-SOD partially prevented O_3-induced AHR, PEG-CAT did not. Suggests superoxide involvement in O_3-induced AHR.	Takahashi et al. (1993)
0.75	4 h, MCh challenge 6 h PE	Mice FVB/N, and FVB/N with β_2-AR transgene, 10-14 weeks old, n = 10/group	Targeted expression (using CCSP promoter) of β_2-adrenergic receptors (β_2-AR) to airway epithelium to mimic agonist activation. Heterozygous mice from generations 2 to 4 used. MCh challenge dose needed to increase P_{enh} was greater in CCSP-β_2-AR mice. CCSP-β_2-AR mice less responsive to O_3. Suggests that β_2-ARs regulate airway responsiveness and that β-agonists induce bronchodilation through activation of receptors on smooth muscle cells and epithelial cells.	McGraw et al. (2000)
2	2 h, assayed 2 h PE	Rat, male, SD, 2.5-3.5 months old, n = 5/group	Neonatal rats treated with capsaicin. Challenged with MCh following O_3. Capsaicin-treated rats: O_3 had no effect on pulmonary conductance; decreased dynamic compliance; increase in AHR. During O_3 exposure: 50% decrease in HR and 2.5 °C decrease in core temperature in both controls and capsaicin rats. Suggests that C-fibers inhibit O_3-induced AHR but do not modulate HR or core temperature.	Jimba et al. (1995)

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Concentration ppm	Exposure Duration	Species, Sex, Strain, and Age	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
1	3 h, assayed 4h PE	Rat, SD, treated with capsaicin or tachykinin antagonists, n = 6/group	Rats treated with CP-99994 (neurokinin-1 receptor antagonist) and SR-48968 (neurokinin-2-receptor antagonist). O_3 induced greater numbers of PMN in BALF of treated rats. The antagonists has no effects on pulmonary mechanics or airway responsiveness. Suggests that tachykinins are involved in the protective effects of C-fibers against O_3-induced inflammation. Capsaicin treatment induced increased PMN in BALF. O_3 exposure reduced V_E in both vehicle and capsaicin-treated rats, but the capsaicin treatment caused a greater, more immediate reduction. Suggests that the increase in BALF PMN is not due to a greater inhaled dose of O_3 reaching the lung.	Takebayashi et al. (1998)
2	3 h, ACh challenge 0 and 24 h PE	Mice, 8 weeks old, 15-25 g. DBA/2J, AKR/J, A/J, C3H/HeJ, C57BL/6J, SJL/H, 129/J, n = 6-8/group	Differing susceptibility to O_3: Hyperreactive-DBA/2J, AKR/J, A/J; Hyporeactive-C3H/HeJ, C57BL/6J, SJL/H; Intermediate 129/J. ACh challenge 25 or 50 µg/kg. ACh 24 h PE: Airway responses increased in A/J strain at 25 µg/kg and in C57BL/6J and SJL/J strains at 50 µg/kg. Ozone did not alter reactivity in other strains. MCh or carbachol challenge not affected by O_3, suggesting that cholinesterase function is affected by O_3. C57BL/6J and A/J mice treated with cyclophosphamide (an immunosuppressant) or anti-PMN caused decreased O_3-induced PMN levels but did not alter AHR, suggesting that O_3-induced ACh hyperreactivity correlates with susceptibility and that PMN influx is independent of AHR.	Zhang et al. (1995)

Table AX5-12 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Airway Responsiveness

Concentration ppm	Exposure Duration	Species, Sex, Strain, and Age	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.05	4 h, challenged with iv 5-HT	Rats, male, Long-Evans, SD, Fisher 344, Brown-Norway, BDII, BDE, DA, Lewis and Wistar, 6-8 weeks old, n = 10/group	AHR: developed in Lewis, BDII and Long-Evans rats 90 min after O_3. Baseline AHR differed among strains; did not correlate with O_3-induced AHR. PMN influx: did not occur in any strain. LE rats: AHR lasted ≥12 h PE with no change in BALF PMN, LDH, alkaline phosphatase, or protein. Suggests that O_3-induced AHR occurs without airway inflammation and that genetic factors may alter the sensitivity to O_3.	Depuydt et al. (1999)
0.2	7 h, assayed 3 h PE	Rabbits, New Zealand White, 5 kg, n = 5-7/group	O_3-induced decrease in tracheal transepithelial potential difference, but no change in lung resistance. ACh challenge: no change in compartmentalized lung resistance; 140% increase in O_3-induced lung resistance. Bilateral vagotomy: no change in compartmentalized lung resistance; enhancement of O_3-induced peripheral lung reactivity. Suggests that O_3 exposure may affect tracheal epithelial function and increase central airway reactivity, possibly through vagally-mediated mechanisms.	Freed et al. (1996)
0.4	4 h, assayed by ACh, SP, or histamine challenge 0 or 48 h PE	Rabbits, New Zealand White, male and female, 2.5-3 kg, n = 4-6/group	Used isolated perfused lung model allowing partitioning of the total pressure gradient into arterial, pre- and postcapillary, and venous components. O_3-induced inhibition of pulmonary mechanical reactivity to ACh, SP, and histamine. No change in baseline pulmonary resistance or dynamic compliance. At 48 h PE O_3 altered vasoreactivity of the vascular bed.. Ozone-induced modification of the vasoreactivity of the vascular bed at 48 h PE and elevation of arterial segmental pressure. Suggests that O_3 can directly induce vascular constriction both immediately and two days following exposure and can inhibit ACh-, SP-, and histamine-induced changes in lung mechanics.	Delaunois et al. (1998)

Table AX5-12 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Airway Responsiveness

Concentration ppm	Exposure Duration	Species, Sex, Strain, and Age	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0, 0.12, 0.5, or 1.0	6 h/day, 5 days/week for 20 months	Rat, male and female, Fischer 344, 6-7 weeks old	Isolated eighth generation airways following O_3 exposure. Circumferential tension development was measured in response to bethanechol, acetylcholine, and electrical field stimulation and normalized to smooth muscle area. 0.5 ppm caused an increase in smooth muscle area. Maximum responses of the small bronchi of male rats were significantly reduced after exposure to 0.12 and 0.5 ppm O_3. Suggests that O_3 -induced increases in airway responsiveness do not persist with near-lifetime exposure and that chronic exposure alters smooth muscle cell function.	Szarek et al. (1995)
0.5	8 h/day for 7 days	Guinea pig, male, Hartley, 5 weeks old	Repeated exposure increased rapidly adapting receptor activity to substance P, methacholine, and hyperinflation; no significant effects on baseline or substance P- and methacholine-induced changes in lung compliance and resistance. Suggest that because agonist-induced changes in receptor activity precede lung function changes, the responsiveness of rapidly adapting receptors was enhanced.	Joad et al. (1998)
0.5	8 h/day for 5 days followed by 9 days of FA; for 11 episodes	Monkey, Rhesus, 30-day old, n = 6/group	Half of the monkeys were sensitized to house dust mite allergen (HDMA) at 14 and 28 days of age before exposure. HDMA and histamine aerosol challenges administered until R_{aw} doubled. Baseline R_{aw} elevated after 10 exposure episodes in the HDMA + O_3 group compared to the FA, HDMA, and O_3 exposure groups. Aerosol challenge with HDMA at the end of the 10th episode did not significantly affect R_{aw}, V_T, f, or S_aO_2. AHR appeared to develop following episode 6. Aerosol challenge with HDMA at the end of the 10th episode did not significantly affect R_{aw}, V_T, f, or S_aO_2. HDMA + O_3 group: had increases in serum IgG, histamine and eosinophils; greater alteration in airway structure and content suggesting that O_3 can enhance the structural remodeling and allergic effects of HDMA sensitization exposure groups.	Schelegle et al. (2003a)

Table AX5-12 (cont'd). Effects of Ozone on Airway Responsiveness

Concentration ppm	Exposure Duration	Species, Sex, Strain, and Age	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
1	8 h	Rat, Wistar, some treated with capsaicin, n = 6-8/group	Vehicle-treated: O_3-induced rapid shallow breathing pattern; BrdU label started at the bifurcation of the main stem bronchi and increased distally. Capsaicin treated: no O_3-induced changes in respiratory frequency; reduced BrdU labeling density in the terminal bronchioles supplied by short airway paths. Suggests that O_3-induced rapid shallow breathing is protective of conducting airways and allows distribution of injury to more distal regions.	Schelegle et al. (2001)
1	2 h	Rat, male, Wistar, 100-120 days old, n = 7-10/group	Examined the site-specific deposition of ^{18}O at breathing frequencies of 80, 120, 16, or 200 bpm at a V_T to produce a constant minute ventilation of 72.8 ml/min/100 g body weight. All frequencies: parenchymal areas had a lower content of ^{18}O than trachea and bronchi; right caudal parenchymal levels did not change. 80 to 160 bpm: deposition reduced in midlevel trachea and increased in both mainstream bronchi; increased deposition in parenchyma supplied by short (cranial) airway paths. 200 bpm: increased deposition in trachea increased; increased deposition in right cranial and caudal bronchi regions: decreased content in right cranial parenchymal. Suggests that the effect of rapid, shallow breathing is to create a more evenly distributed injury pattern with less deposition of O_3) in the trachea and a small effect on deposition in the parenchyma.	Alfaro et al. (2004)

MCh = Methylcholine, ACh = Acetylcholine, Hist = Histamine, 5-HT = 5-Hydroxytryptamine, SP = Substance P, FS = Field Stimulation, CCh = Carbachol, TX = Thromboxane, KCl = Potassium Chloride, Pt = Platinum; Route: iv = intravenous, inh = inhalation., sc = subcutaneous, ip = intraperitoneal, OVA = Ovalbumin, BALF = bronchoalveolar lavage fluid, HDMA = House Dust Mite Allergen, C_{dyn} = Dynamic Lung Compliance, V_E = Minute Ventilation, PaO_2 = partial pressure of arterial oxygen, AHR = airway hyperreactivity, V_T = Tidal Volume, R_{aw} = airway resistance, *f* = frequency of breathing, SaO_2 = oxygen saturation of arterial blood.

Table AX5-13. Effects of Ozone on Genotoxicity/Carcinogenicity

Concentration ppm	Exposure Duration	Species, Sex, Strain, and Age	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
1	0, 12, 24, 48, 72, or 96 h	Guinea pigs, Dunkin-Hartley, male, 2 months-old, n = 4/group	Following O_3 exposure, two main bronchi were removed and tracheobronchial cells were isolated and assayed for DNA strand breaks using fluormetric analysis. Ozone induced an increase in BALF protein and in DNA strand breaks, but did not change cell yield or viability. The amount of DNA in alkali lysates was decreased at 72 h, which suggests an increase in strand breaks at that time point.	Ferng et al. (1997)
1 or 2	90 min	Mice, female, BALB/c (20.6 g) or Muta™ (26.0 g) n = 11-21/group	O_3-induced increase in strand breaks up to 200 min following exposure. No effects after 200 min. O_3 did not affect the level of oxidized amino acids in lung or the level of 8-oxo-deoxyguanosine in nuclear DNA. O_3-induced induction of IL-6 mRNA following DNA strand breaks, which does not support inflammation causing DNA damage.	Bornholdt et al. (2002)
2	90 min/day for 5 days		Mutagenic mice had no O_3-induced mutations in cII transgene.	
0.12, 0.50, and 1.0	6 h/day, 5 days/week for up to 9 months	Mice, female, A/J, n = 29-35/group	At 5 months, no difference in lung tumor multiplicity or incidence. At 9 months, no differences in lung tumor multiplicity between control mice and mice exposed to any concentration of O_3. The highest, and only statistically significant lung tumor incidence, was found in the mice exposed to 0.5 ppm O_3. In the O_3-exposed mice allowed to recover in filtered air, only the mice exposed to 0.12 ppm O_3 had increases in lung tumor incidence and multiplicity. Authors consider the results to be spurious and of no significance for data interpretation.	Witschi et al. (1999)
0.5	6 h/day, 5 days/week for 12 weeks	Mice, male and female, B6C3F_1, 5-6 weeks old, n = 20 M and 20 F	Sporadic differences in mean body weight between O_3-exposed mice and air-exposed controls, as well as significant differences in the mean absolute and relative weights of liver, spleen, kidney, testes, and ovary. No O_3-related increased incidence of neoplasms in lung tissue. Oviductal carcinomas observed upon histopathologic examination in 30% of O_3-exposed female mice.	Kim et al. (2001)
0, 0.12, 0.5,or 1.0	6 hr/day, 5 days/wk, to ppm 2-yr and lifetime	Rats, male and female, Fischer F-344/N, n = 5 M + 5 F (acute) n = 50 m + 50 F/group	Cocarcinogenicity study with subcutaneous administration of 0, 0.1, or 1.0 mg/kg body weight of 4-(N-nitrosomethylamino)-1-(3-pyridyl)-1-butanone (NNK) and inhalation of 0 or 0.5 ppm O_3 to male rats. O_3 caused dose-related increase in inflammation in CAR; increased fibrosis; extension of the bronchiolar epithelium to the proximal alveoli; but no increase in neoplasms. NNK (1.0 mg/kg) alone causes increased bronchiolar/alveolar neoplasms. NNK + O_3: no enhancement of neoplasms. Suggests that O_3 is not carcinogenic; does not enhance neoplasms growth; and creates mild site-specific lesions which persist with continued exposure.	Boorman et al. (1994)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
NEUROBEHAVIORAL EFFECTS				
0.1 0.2 0.5 1.0	4 h	Rat, male, Wistar, 47-50 days old, n = 25/group	Rats exposed for 4 h to 0.2, 0.5, and 1 ppm O_3 showed long-term memory deterioration and decreased motor activity, which was reversed 24 h later. Brain and pulmonary Cu/Zn SOD levels were increased in animals exposed to 0.1, 0.2, and 0.5 ppm O_3, but decreased in animals exposed to 1 ppm O_3.	Rivas-Arancibia et al. (1998)
0.1 0.4 0.7 1.1 1.5	4 h	Rat, male, Wistar, 300-350 g, n = 10/group	O_3 caused memory impairment at ≥0.7 ppm (one trial passive avoidance test), decreased motor activity at ≥1.1 ppm, and increased lipid peroxidation at ≥0.4 ppm. Lipid perioxidation levels from the frontal cortex, hippocampus, striatum and cerebellum increased with increasing O_3 concentration.	Dorado-Martinez et al. (2001)
0.3 0.6	30 days	Mice, CD-1 M, F, 28-33 g, n = 6-7/group	O_3 exposure slightly but selectively affected neurobehavioral performance in male mice assessed with a 5-min open-field test on exposure days 4 and 19 and on day 3 after the end of the exposure. O_3 exposure, however, did not grossly affect neurobehavioral development. Reversal learning in the Morris water maze test was consistently impaired in both prenatally and adult exposed mice. In addition, longer latency to step-through in the first trial of the passive avoidance test and a decrease in wall rearing in the hot-plate test were recorded in O_3 prenatally exposed mice. Except for the first open-field test, altered responses were observed only in animals exposed to 0.3 ppm O_3.	Sorace et al. (2001)
0.35 0.75 1.5	12 h	Rat, male, Wistar, 270 g, n = 10/group	O_3 exposure decreased paradoxical sleep after 2 h of exposure, and increased slow wave sleep after 12 h of exposure at all O_3 concentrations; 5-HT concentrations in the pons increased with increasing O_3 concentration.	Paz and Huitrón-Reséndiz (1996)
0.7	4 h	Rat, male, Wistar, 47-50 days old, n = 6-10/group	Vitamin E administered before or after O_3 exposure blocked memory deterioration (passive avoidance)and increases in lipid peroxidation levels in the striatum, hippocampus and frontal cortex that were associated with oxidative stress.	Guerrero et al. (1999)
0.7	4 h	Rat, male, Wistar, 27 months old, n = 3-4/group	O_3 exposure increased ultrastructural alterations in the hippocampus and prefrontal cortex in aged rats compared with controls. These areas are related to learning and memory functions, which are the first degenerative aging changes observed.	Nino-Cabrera et al. (2002)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
NEUROBEHAVIORAL EFFECTS (cont'd)				
0.7 0.8	4 h	Rat, male, Wistar, 47, 540, or 900 days old, n = 10-30/group	Taurine (43 mg/kg) given before or after O_3 exposure improved memory deterioration in an age-specific manner. Old rats showed peroxidation in all control groups and an improvement in memory with taurine. When taurine was applied before O_3, peroxidation levels were high in the frontal cortex of old rats and the hippocampus of young rats; in the striatum, peroxidation caused by O_3 was blocked when taurine was applied either before or after exposure.	Rivas-Arancibia et al. (2000)
1	12 h/day during dark period	Rat, female, adult, n = 6/group	O_3 exposure during pregnancy affects the neural regulation of paradoxical sleep and circadian rhythm of rat pups 30, 60, and 90 days after birth.	Haro and Paz (1993)
1	4 h	Rat, male, Wistar, n = 24/group	O_3 caused alterations in long-term memory and a significant reduction of dendritic spines. Results provide evidence that deterioration in memory is probably due to the reduction in spine density in the pyramidal neurons of the hippocampus.	Avila-Costa et al. (1999)
1	3 h	Rat, male, Wistar, 275 g, n = 10/group	O_3 or its reaction products affect the metabolism of major neurotransmitter systems as rapidly as after 1 h of exposure. There were significant increases in dopamine (DA), and its metabolites noradrenaline (NA) and 3,4 dihydroxyphenylacetic acid (DOPAC), and 5-hydroxyindolacetic acid (5-HIAA) in the midbrain and the striatum.	Gonzalez-Pina and Paz (1997)
1.5	24 h	Rat, male, Wistar, n = 11/group	Adult rats exposed to O_3 spend decreased time in wakefulness and paradoxical sleep and a significant increase in time in slow-wave sleep. Neurochemical changes include increased metabolism of serotonin in the medulla oblongata, pons, and midbrain.	Huitrón-Reséndiz et al. (1994)
0.5	20 h/day for 5 days	Rat, SD, 220-240 g, n = 10-20/group	O_3 produced marked neural disturbances in structures involved in the integration of chemosensory inputs, arousal, and motor control. O_3 inhibited tyrosine hydroxylase activity in noradrenergic brainstem cell groups, including the locus ceruleus (-62%) and the caudal A2 subset (−57%). Catecholamine turnover was decreased by O_3 in the cortex (−49%) and striatum (−18%) but not in the hypothalamus.	Cottet-Emard et al. (1997)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
NEUROBEHAVIORAL				
0.4, 0.8, or 1.2	24 h	Cat, male, adult, n = 5/group	Evaluated EEG of sleep-wake organization in cats. 0.4 O_3 did not change the amount of sleep parameters, did decrease paradoxical sleep during first 8 h of exposure. At 1.2 ppm paradoxical sleep was reduced during O_3 exposure, followed by a dose-related increase of slow-wave sleep. Suggests O_3-induced changes in sleep patterns.	Paz and Bazan-Perkins (1992)
0.75, 1.5 and 3.0	4h	Rat, male, Wistar, 250-300 g, n = 15/group	Recorded evoked potential in visual cortex and lateral geniculate nucleus. P1, N1 and P2 components delayed in the visual cortex and lateral geniculate nucleus at 3.0 ppm O_3. N1 component in the visual cortex affected at 1.5 ppm O_3. Suggest O_3-induced alterations in synaptic excitability and conduction mechanisms in the visual pathway.	Custodio-Ramierez and Paz (1997)
1-1.5	4 h	Rat, male, Wistar, ~250 g n = 5/group	O_3-induced loss of dendritic spines on primary and secondary dendrites of granule cells; swelling of Golgi apparatus and mitochondrion; dilation cisterns of the rough endoplasmic reticulum; vacuolation of neuronal cytoplasm. Suggests O_3-induced oxidative stress creates alterations in the granule layer of the olfactory bulb and possible modifications of function.	Colin-Barenque et al. (1999)
NEUROENDOCRINE EFFECTS				
0.5 to 3.0	3 h	Rat, male, SD, 44-47 days old, n = 4-6/group	Hyperthyroid, T_4-treated rats (0.1 - 1.0 mg/kg/day for 7 days) had increased pulmonary injury (BALF LDH, albumin, PMNs) at 18 h PE compared to control rats.	Huffman et al. (2001)
1.0	24 h	Rat, male, SD, 3-4 months old	Hyperthyroid, T3-treated rats had increased metabolic activity and O_3-induced pulmonary injury, but lipid peroxidation, as assessed by alkane generation, was not affected.	Sen et al. (1993)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
CARDIOVASCULAR EFFECTS				
0.1 0.3 0.5	5 h	Rat, Wistar young (4-6 month) and old (22-24 month) n = 9-14/group	Transient rapid shallow breathing with slightly increased HR appeared 1-2 min after the start of O_3 exposure, possibly due to olfactory sensation; persistent rapid shallow breathing with a progressive decrease in HR occurred with a latent period of 1-2 h. The last 90-min averaged values for relative minute ventilation tended to decrease with the increase in the level of exposure to O_3 and these values for young rats were significantly lower than those for old rats. An exposure of young rats to 0.1 ppm O_3 for shorter than 5 h significantly decreased the tidal volume and HR and increased breathing frequency, but no significant changes were observed in old rats. There were no differences between young and old rats in non-observable-adverse-effect-levels (NOAELs) for the O_3-induced persistent ventilatory and HR responses, when the NOAELs were determined by exposure to 0.3 and 0.5 ppm O_3.	Arito et al. (1997)
0.1 0.3 0.5	8 h/day for 4 days	Rat, male, Wistar, 10 weeks old, n = 9/group	Circadian rhythms of HR and core body temperature were significantly decreased on the first and second O_3 exposure days in a concentration dependent manner, and returned to control levels on the third and fourth days.	Iwasaki et al. (1998)
0.25 to 2.0	2 h to 5 days	Rat, Fischer F344, Mice, C57BL/6J, C3H/HeJ, Guinea pig, Hartley, n = 4-10/group	Robust and consistent decreases in HR and core body temperature; smaller decreases in metabolism, minute ventilation, blood pressure, and cardiac output that vary inversely with ambient temperature and body mass.	Watkinson et al. (2001)
0.5	6 h/day 23 h/day for 5 days	Rat, male, Fischer F-344, 100-120 days old, n = 4-6/group	Minimal extrapulmonary effects were observed at a core body temperature of 34 °C; O_3 exposures at 22 and 10 °C produced significant decreases in heart rate (160 and 210 beats/min, respectively), core body temperature (2.0 and 3.5 °C, respectively), and body weight (15 and 40 g, respectively). Decreases in these functional parameters reached their maxima over the first 2 exposure days and returned to control levels after the 3rd day of exposure.	Watkinson et al. (1995); Highfill and Watkinson (1996)

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Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
CARDIOVASCULAR EFFECTS (cont'd)				
0.5	8 h	Rat, male, Fischer F-344, 270-330 g, n = 6/group	O_3 exposure increased atrial natriuretic peptides in the heart, lung, and circulation, suggesting they mediate the decreased BP and pulmonary edema observed with similar O_3 exposures.	Vesely et al. (1994a,b,c)
0 0.5 0.5 0.5	24 h/day 6 h/day 23h/day	Rat, male, Fischer F-344 kept at one of three temperatures: 10 °C, 22 °C, 34 °C at rest, moderate or heavy CO_2-stimulated ventilation, 100-120 days old, n = 4-8/group	0.5 ppm O_3 for both 6 h/day and 23 h/day caused decreases in heart rate and core temperature (termed hypothermic response) and increases in BALF inflammatory markers. Exercise in 0 ppm O_3 caused increases in heart rate and core temperature, 0.5 ppm O_3 decreases. CO_2 and O_3 induced the greatest deficits. Dose, animal mass, and environmental stress are suggested to modify the hypothermic response.	Watkinson et al. (2003)
REPRODUCTIVE AND DEVELOPMENTAL EFFECTS				
0.2 0.4 0.6	Continuous up to day 17 of pregnancy	Mice, male and female, CD-1, 25-27 g	No significant effects on either reproductive performance, postnatal somatic and neurobehavioral development (as assessed by a Fox test battery) or adult motor activity (including within-session habituation); some subtle or borderline behavioral deficits were noted, however.	Petruzzi et al. (1995)
0.3 0.6 0.9	Continuous up to postnatal day 26	Mice, male and female, CD-1, 27-30 g, n = 11-15/group	O_3 caused subtle CNS effects, but did not affect the animals' capability to learn a reflexive response (limb withdrawal); females exposed to 0.6 ppm O_3 showed a reduced preference for the right paw than both their same-sex controls and 0.6 ppm males. The effect was more robust in the case of an organized avoidance response (wall-rearing).	Petruzzi et al. (1999)

Table AX5-14 (cont'd). Systemic Effects of Ozone

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
REPRODUCTIVE AND DEVELOPMENTAL EFFECTS (cont'd)				
0.3 0.6	Continuous until gestational day 17	Mice, male and female, CD-1, 28-30 g, n = 6-9/group	Exposure to O_3 did not grossly affect neurobehavioral development, as assessed by somatic and sensorimotor development (postnatal day (PND) 2-20), homing performance (PND 12), motor activity (PND 21), passive avoidance (PND 22-23), water maze performances (PND 70-74), and response to a nociceptive stimulus (PND 100).	Sorace et al. (2001)
0.4 0.8 1.2	Continuous during gestation days 7-17	Mice, CD-1	No effect of O_3 on reproductive performance; no significant somatic developmental effects in O_3-exposed pups except for a delay in eye opening that was not concentration dependent.	Bignami et al. (1994)
0.6	Continuous from birth to weaning	Mice, male and female, CD-1, 25-27 g, n = 13-16/group	Exposure to O_3 did not produce any significant impairment of the acquisition phase during swimming navigation, a sensitive indicator for hippocampal damage; however, O_3 slightly increased the swimming paths during the last day of the reversal phase. Mice exposed to O_3 showed a slightly but significantly higher swimming speed during all the days, which was unrelated to differences in body weight and to navigational performances. Moreover, mice exposed to O_3 (with the exception of one animal) had a strong tendency to make turns to the left while the controls, independent of sex, preferred clockwise turns.	Dell'Omo et al. (1995a,b)
1	12 h/day for entire gestation, assayed at postnatal day 0, 12, and 60	Rat, male and female, Wistar, n = 9-10/group	Histological and planimetric analysis using sagittal sections of the anterior cerebellar lobe. PND 0: O_3-induced cerebellar necrosis. PND 12: diminished molecular layer; pale nucleoli and perinucleolar bodies in Purkinjie cells. PND 60: Purkinjie cells with clumps of chromatin around periphery. Suggests that gestational exposure to O_3 induces permanent cerebellar damage.	Rivas-Manzano and Paz (1999)
EFFECTS ON LIVER, SPLEEN, THYMUS				
1.0 2.0	3 h	Rat, female, SD, 200-225 g	High O_3 exposure stimulates hepatocytes to produce increased amounts of nitric oxide as well as protein, possibly mediated by cytokines such as TNFα produced by alveolar macrophages. When macrophage function is blocked, hepatic injury induced by O_3 is prevented.	Laskin et al. (1994, 1996, 1998b); Laskin and Laskin (2001)

Table AX5-14 (cont'd). Systemic Effects of Ozone

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
EFFECTS ON LIVER, SPLEEN, THYMUS (cont'd)				
2.0	2 h	Rat, male, Fischer F-344, 2, 9, or 24 months old, n = 2/group	Utilizing electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR) spectroscopy of chloroform extracts of liver homogenates, a significant flux of hydrogen peroxide produced from the reaction of O_3 with lipids of the extracellular lining could be a source of biologically relevant amounts of hydroxyl radical. EPR signals for carbon-centered alkoxyl and alkyl adducts were detected with C-phenyl N-tert-butyl nitrone (PBN) in the liver of animals exposed to O_3.	Vincent et al. (1996)
EFFECTS ON CUTANEOUS TISSUE				
0.5	2 h	Mice, hairless female	α tocopherol levels in the stratum corneum (SC) were not affected by O_3 exposure (0.5 ppm) alone, but were significantly depleted by combined exposure to UV and O_3.	Valacchi et al. (2000)
0.8	6 h	Mice, SKH-1 hairless	Increased lipid peroxidation in the skin epidermis and dermis activated stress proteins HSP27 and HO-1, and activated a proteolytic enzyme system (MMP-9) related to matrix injury and repair processes.	Valacchi et al. (2003)
0.8 1.0 10.0	2 h	Mice, SKH-1 hairless	High O_3 depletes hydrophilic antioxidants in the SC: vit. C decreased to 80%, GSH decreased to 41%, and uric acid decreased to 44% of control levels after exposure to ≥1.0 ppm O_3.	Weber et al. (2000)
1.0 5.0 10.0	2 h	Mice	High O_3 exerts an oxidizing effect on the outermost layer of the skin (SC); depletes low-molecular-weight antioxidants (α tocopherol, vit. C, glutathione, uric acid) in a concentration dependent manner; increases malondialdehyde levels associated with lipid peroxidation.	Weber et al. (2001)
0, 0.8, 1, and 10	2 h	Mice, SKH-1 hairless	1 ppm O_3 depleted SC levels of vitamin C (80%), GSH (41%), and UA (44%). Suggests that hydrophilic antioxidants in the SC modulate the effects of O_3-induced oxidative stress.	Weber et al. (1999)

RER = Rough endoplasmic reticulum
PE = Postexposure (i.e., time after O_3 exposure ceased)
TSH = Thyroid stimulating hormone
T_3 = Triiodothyronine
T_4 = Thyroxine
cyt. = Cytochrome
NADPH = Reduced nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate
NADH = Reduced nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide
B[*a*]P = Benzo[*a*]pyrene
NK = Natural killer
PHA = Phytohemagglutin
ConA = Concanavalin A
LPS = Lipopolysaccharide
SRBC = Sheep red blood cell
TBA = Thiobarbituric acid
IgE = Immunoglobulin E.
PHA = Phytohemagglutin

Table AX5-15. Interactions of Ozone With Nitrogen Dioxide

Concentration ppm						
O_3	NO_2	Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
MORPHOLOGY						
0.8	14.4	6 h/day, 7 days/week for 90 days	Rat, male, SD, 10-12 weeks old, n = 4/group	Morphometry of lung parenchyma; DNA probes for procollagen; in situ mRNA hybridization.	Syngeristic; more peripheral centriacinar lesion, but same after 7, 78, and 90 days of exposure.	Farman et al. (1999)
0.3	1.2	Continuous for 3 days	Rat, male, SD, 3 months old, n = 4/group	DNA single strand breaks; polyADPR synthetase of AMs; total cells, protein, and LDH in BALF.	None; effect due to O_3.	Bermúdez et al. (1999); Bermúdez (2001)
BIOCHEMISTRY						
0.8	14.4	6 h/day, 7 days/week for 9 weeks	Rat, male, SD, 10-12 weeks old n = 4/group	Lung hydroxyproline, hydrooxypyridinium, DNA, and protein content of whole lung; morphology and labeling index.	Synergistic; fibrosis after 7-8 weeks of exposure; 50% mortality at ~10 weeks.	Farman et al. (1997)
0.4	7	90 days	Rat, male, SD, 200-225 g	PMN, pulmonary edema, fibrosis, MIP-2.	1-3 days: enhanced MIP-2, IL-1β, TNFα, thioredoxin, and IL-6 expression; pulmonary edema and PMN influx, which reversed by day 8; activation of NFκB. 15-45 days: no tissue responses observed, suggesting adaptation. 60 and 90 days: increased lung collagen; increased expression of transforming growth factor-13 and TNFα, activation of NFκB. MnSOD and GPX not altered during exposure. Suggests that cytokines play a role in the early responses to combined O_3 and NO_2 and that pulmonary fibrosis is more dependent on concentration than on cumulative dose.	Ishii et al. (2000b)

Table AX5-15 (cont'd). Interactions of Ozone With Nitrogen Dioxide

Concentration ppm						
O_3	NO_2	Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
BIOCHEMISTRY (cont'd)						
0.8	14.4	1, 5, and 8 weeks	Rat, male, SD, 10-12 weeks old, n = 4/group	Immunohistochemisty and morphometric analysis of TNFα and MnSOD levels in alveolar ducts.	Triphasic response. 1-3 weeks: initial inflammation; TNFα increased in proximal area. 4-5 weeks: partial resolution. 6-8 weeks: rapidly progressive fibrosis; elevated MnSOD; TNFα increased in proximal area. TNFα increased in interstitial cells at all time points. Suggests O_3-induced increases in MnSOD in areas of injury and in more protected areas; O_3-induced increases in TNFα correlate spatiotemporally with injury.	Weller et al. (2000)

BAL = Bronchoalveolar lavage.
PG = Prostaglandin.
G-6-PD = Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase.
GDT = GSH-disulfide transhydrogenase.
GSHPX = GSH peroxidase.
SOD = Superoxide dismutase.
DR = Disulfide reductase.
NADPH-CR = Reduced nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate-cytochrome c reductase.
GSH = Glutathione.
6-PG-D = 6-phosphogluconate dehydrogenase.

Table AX5-16. Interactions of Ozone with Formaldehyde

O_3	HCHO	Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
0.4	3.6	8 h/day for 3 days	Rat, male, Wistar, n = 20/group	O_3 or HCHO: no changes in formaldehyde dehydrogenase, glutathione S-transferase, glutathione reductase, and glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase activities. O_3 + HCHO: slightly decreased enzyme activities HCHO alone: rhinitis, necrosis, degeneration, hyperplasia and squamous metaplasia of nasal respiratory epithelium. O_3: PMN influx; disarrangement, flattening and slight basal cell hyperplasia of the nonciliated cuboidal epithelium. Proliferating cell nuclear antigen levels elevated.	Proliferative response: No interactive effects	Cassee and Feron (1994)
0.6	10	3h, with exercise at 2× resting ventilation	Rat, male, SD, 7 weeks	HCHO did not alter O_3-induced changes in breathing pattern. Parenchymal injury attributed to O_3 alone.	Additive effects in transitional epithelium and trachea	Mautz (2003)
0.2 - 10	0.4 - 4	30 min	Mice, BALB/c, n = 4	Continuously measured *f*, V_T, expiratory flow, T_i, T_e, and respiratory patterns during acute exposures. HCHO: appeared to be a pure sensory irritant at lower concentrations. O_3: induced nondose-dependent transient increase in rapid, shallow breathing. No effect level of HCHO was 0.3 ppm, for O_3 1.0 ppm. Suggests that O_3 and HCHO have the same respiratory effects in BALB/c mice and humans, with similar sensitivities.	Not additive	Nielson et al. (1999)

Table AX5-17. Interactions of Ozone with Tobacco Smoke

O_3	HCHO	Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
1.5	7 ml breaths at 33% challenge	1 h	Guinea pig, male, Hartley, 320-460 g, n = 5 to 9	Pulmonary resistance and dynamic lung compliance were compared pre- and post-O_3 exposure. Pre-O_3: cigarette smoke induced bronchoconstriction after l min. Post-O_3: cigarette smoke induced bronchoconstriction more quickly and for a longer period. Selective antagonism of neurokinin 1 and 2 receptors blocked then enhanced O_3-induced bronchoconstriction, suggesting that endogenous tachykinins modulate O_3-induced bronchoconstriction.	Synergistic	Wu et al. (1997)
0.5	ADSS 30 mg/m^3	6 h/day for 3 days 24 h	Mice, male, B6C3F1, 10 weeks old, n = 11	Aged and diluted side stream cigarette smoke (ADSS) exposure followed by O_3. ADSS + O_3: greater increase in BALF cells, %PMN, and proteins compared to alone; 402% increase in proliferating cells in CAR; LPS-stimulated release of IL-6 decreased; LPS-stimulated release of TNFα increased. ADSS alone: no change in number of proliferating cells in CAR; LPS-stimulated release of TNFα increased. O_3 alone: 280% increase in proliferating cells in CAR; LPS-stimulated release of IL-6 decreased. Suggests that O_3-induced lung injury is enhanced by prior ADSS exposure.	Synergism	Yu et al. (2002)

Table AX5-18. Interactions Of Ozone With Particles

Concentration O_3 (ppm)	Concentration PM (mg/m^3)	Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
SULFURIC ACID						
0.1 0.2	0.02 - 0.15 (0.4 - 0.8 µm)	23.5 h/day or intermittent 12 h/day for up to 90 days	Rat, male, SD, 250-275 g, n = 6/group	Morphology Biochemistry	No interaction	Last and Pinkerton (1997)
0.1 0.3 0.6	0.50 (0.3 µm) 0.125 (0.3 µm)	3 h	Rabbit NZW male, 3.5-4.5 kg, n = 5/group	AM intracellular pH homeostasis and H^+ extrusion	Antagonism	Chen et al. (1995)
0.1 0.3 0.6	0.50 (0.3 µm) 0.125 (0.3 µm)	3 h	Rabbit NZW male, 3.5-4.5 kg, n = 5/group	Airway responsiveness (in vitro bronchial rings + ACh)	Antagonism	El-Fawal et al. (1995)
0.6	0.5 (0.06 and 0.3 µm MMD)	4 h/day for 2 days	Rat, male, SD, 250-300 g, n = 10/group	Morphology: volume percentage of total parenchyma containing injured alveolar septae; bromodeoxyuridine cell labeling index in the periacinar region	Synergism: ultrafine + O_3, but not fine Synergism: fine + O_3	Kimmel et al. (1997)
PARTICLE MIXTURES						
0.1	Diesel PM (NIST #2975) reacted with O_3 for 48 h	24 h (IT)	Rat, male, SD, 250-300 g, n = 4-13	Inflammation	Synergism	Madden et al. (2000)
0.16 0.30 0.59	0.05 - 0.22 mg/m^3 ammonium bisulfate 0.03 - 0.10 mg/m^3 C 0.11 - 0.39 pm NO_2 0.02 - 0.11 mg/m^3 HNO_3; (0.3 µm MMAD)	4 h/day, 3 days/week for 4 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344N, 11 weeks old, n = 8-30	breathing pattern, morphology, lavagable protein, and clearance	Complex interactions, but possible loss of typical attenuation seen with O_3 only exposure, reflecting persistence of inflammation.	Mautz et al. (2001)

Table AX5-18 (cont'd). Interactions Of Ozone With Particles

Concentration						
O_3 (ppm)	PM (mg/m^3)	Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
PARTICLE MIXTURES (cont'd)						
0.2	0.07and 0.14 mg/m^3 ammonium bisulfate (0.45 µm MMMD); 0.05 and 0.10 mg/m^3 carbon	4 h/day, 3 days/week for 4 weeks	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 22-24 months old, n = 5-10	BAL protein and albumin; plasma hydroxylase and fibronectin	Questionable interaction. No changes in BALF protein or prolyl 4-hydroxylase in blood. Small decease in plasma fibronectin with combined exposure.	Bolarin et al. (1997)
0.2	0.50 mg/m^3 ammonium bisulfate (0.45 µm MMMD) and elemental carbon)	4 h/day, 3 days/week for 4 weeks; nose only	Rat, Fischer F344N-NIA, 22-24 months old	DNA labeling of dividing lung epithelial and interstitial cells by 5-bromo-2-deoxyuridine	Synergism. Increased AM phagocytosis and respiratory burst. Decreased lung collagen.	Kleinman et al. (2000)
0.3	0.063 to 1.57 mg/m^3 CAPs (Boston) + ip OVA sensitization	Sensitized at days 7 and 14. Challenged at day 21, 22, and 23. 5 h O_3 exposure	Mice, BALB/c, n = 5-6/group	Airway function	Interaction: increased R_L and airway responsiveness in normal and OVA-sensitized mice.	Kobzik et al. (2001)
0.4	0.20 and 0.50 mg/m^3 fine, H_2O_2-coated carbon (0.26 µm MMMD)	4 h/day for 1 or 5 days	Rat, SD, 300 g, n = 10	Inflammation	Synergism for effect on day 5. Greater response at high dose, contrasts with O_3 along where inflammation was greatest at 0.4 ppm on day 1.	Kleinman et al. (1999)
0.5	Endotoxin (IN) 100 µg 24 h and 48 h after the 3rd O_3 exposure	8 h/day for 3 days	Rat, Fischer F344, 10-12 weeks old, n = 6/group	Nasal morphology	Synergism: increased intraepithelial mucosubstances and mucous cell metaplasia	Fanucchi et al. (1998) Wagner et al. (2001a,b)
0.5	OVA (IN) 50 µl (1%)	8 h/day for 1 day or 3 consecutive days	Rat, Brown, Norway, 10-12 weeks old, n = 6/group	Nasal morphology	Synergism: increased intraepithelial mucosubstances and mucous all metaplasia.	Wagner et al. (2002)

Table AX5-18 (cont'd). Interactions Of Ozone With Particles

Concentration						
O_3 (ppm)	PM (mg/m^3)\	Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
PARTICLE MIXTURES (cont'd)						
0.8	0.5 mg, 1.5 mg, or 5 mg of PM from Ottawa Canada (EHC-93)	2, 4, and 7 days after IT instillation	Rat, male, Wistar, 200-250 g, n = 5/group	Inflammation	Interaction: increased TNFα in BALF.	Ulrich et al. (2002)
1	0.11 mg/m^3 ultra fine carbon (25 nm CMD) + endotoxin (IH)	6 h	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 10 weeks and 22 months old, n = 3/group Mice, male, TSK, 14-17 months old, n = 6-7/group	Inflammation	Interaction: increased PMNs and ROS release from BALF cells for old rats and mice primed with endotoxin; depressed in young rats.	Elder et al. (2000a,b)
1	Endotoxin (37.5 EU) for 10 minutes	4, 20, or 24 h	Mice, C57BL/6J, 36 h old, 8 weeks old, n = 12/group	Inflammation	Synergism: increased BALF protein and PMNs.	Johnston et al. (2000b, 2002)
1	Endotoxin (IN) 0, 2, or 20 µg in 120 µL	8 h, repeated after 24 h	Rat, male, Fischer F344, 10-12 weeks old, n = 6/group	Lung morphometric analysis and inflammation	Synergism: increased BALF PMNs and mucin glycoprotein; increased intraepithelial mucosubstances and mucingene mRNA.	Wagner et al. (2003)

Table AX5-18 (cont'd). Interactions Of Ozone With Particles

Concentration						
O_3 (ppm)	PM (mg/m^3)	Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
PARTICLE MIXTURES (cont'd)						
0.8	EHC-93,5 mg/m^3 or 50 mg/m^3	4 h exposure, clean air for 32 h, ^3H injection followed by assay at 90 min	Rat, male, Fischer344, 200-250 g, n = 6/group	Control rats: ^3H labeling (indicative of proliferation) low in bronchioles and parenchyma. ECH-93 alone: no induction of proliferation. O_3 alone: increased cell labeling in bronchioles and parenchyma, suggestive of reparative cell proliferation. ECH-93 + O_3: both doses of EHC-93 potentiated proliferation, especially in epithelia of terminal bronchioles and alveolar ducts, but not distal parenchyma. Suggests that ambient PM can enhance O_3-induced proliferations and exacerbate injury.	Synergism of proliferation	Vincent et al. (1997)
0.8	(EHC93) at 50 mg/m^3	4 h, exposure, clean air for 32 h, ^3H injection followed by assay at 90 min	Rat, male, Fischer344, 200-250g, n = 4/group	O_3 + EHC-93: epithelial cell injury and proliferation (^3H-labeling) higher than single exposures; higher in periductal region than in whole lung counts; greater numbers of AMs and PMNs in lung tissue compartment than in single exposures. Suggests that exposures to urban PM have few effects alone, but can potentiate O_3-induced injury.	Synergism	Adamson et al. (1999)

Table AX5-18 (cont'd). Interactions Of Ozone With Particles

Concentration						
O_3 (ppm)	PM (mg/m^3)	Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
PARTICLE MIXTURES (cont'd)						
0.15	HNO_3 50 µg/m^3	4 hours/day, 3 days/week for 40 weeks, nose-only exposure	Rat, male, Fischer F344/N, 8 weeks old, n = 4-5/group	O_3 alone: 28% increase in lung putrescine. HNO_3 alone: 21% decrease in lung putrescine O_3 and O_3 + HNO_3: 56% increase in lung putrescine Pulmonary spermidine and spermine did not change with any exposure. Suggests role of putrescine in regulation of inflammation.	Synergism	Sindhu et al. (1998)
0.5	Carbon Black (CB), 0.5 or 1.5 mg/rat	Intratracheal CB followed by 7 days or 2 months of O_3	Rat, male, Wistar, 7 weeks old, n = 7-8/group	Phagocytotic capacity: decreased in CB-exposed group, unchanged in O_3 group. Formation of superoxide anion radicals and numbers of ingested particles increased at 2 months in O_3 group. Chemotactic migration: decreased in CB-treated group. Suggests that CB impairs phagocytosis and chemotactic migration in AMs, whereas O_3 stimulates these functions.	Synergism	Creutzenberg et al. (1995)

Table AX5-18 (cont'd). Interactions Of Ozone With Particles

Concentration							
O_3 (ppm)	PM (mg/m^3)		Duration	Species	Endpoints	Interaction	Reference
PARTICLE MIXTURES (cont'd)							
0.018	CH_2O TSP PM_{10} $PM_{2.5}$	3.3 ppb 0.068 mg/m^3 0.032 mg/m^3 0.016 mg/m^3	23 h/day for 7 weeks	Rat, male and female, Fischer F344, 9 weeks old, n = 5/group	Exposure to filtered and unfiltered Mexico City air. Histopathology revealed no nasal lesions in exposed or control rats; tracheal and lung tissue from both groups showed similar levels of minor abnormalities.		Moss et al. (2001)

VMD = Volume median diameter
σg = Geometric standard deviation
MMAD = Mass median aerodynamic diameter
CMD = Count median diameter
PM = Particulate Matter
OVA= Ovalbumin
R_L = Total Pulmonary Resistance
AED = Aerodynamic diameter
BAL = Bronchoalveolar lavage
AM = Alveolar macrophage
IN = Intranasal
IT = Intratracheal
Unless indicated otherwise, whole-body exposures used

Table AX5-19. Effects of Other Photochemical Oxidants

Concentration ppm	Duration	Species	Effects	Reference
H_2O_2 (10, 20, or 100 ppb) and/or $(NH_4)_2S0_4$ (429 or 215 Ág/m^3; 0.3-0.4 gm mass median diameter)	2 h, assayed 0 or 24 h PE	Rat, female, SD, n = 4-18/group	Exposures alone or in combination. H_2O_2 + $(NH_4)_2S0_4$: no effect on BALF cell number, viability, protein or LDH at either time point; increased PMNs adhered to vascular epithelium; increased TNFα by AMs at both time points; at 0 h PE, transient increase in superoxide anion by AMs; decreased NO production; nitrotyrosine detected; heme oxygenase-1 expression upregulated in AMs; H_2O_2 only: decreased NO production which persisted for 24 h. Suggests that PM-induced effects are augmented by H_2O_2 and that PM-induced tissue injury may be modulated by cytotoxic mediators produced by AMs.	Morio et al. (2001)
PAN 0.13,0.66,1.31	3 h	PBL from mice, male, CD-1, 5 weeks old, n = 25	In vitro: Exposed peripheral blood lympocytes (PBL) to PAN; assayed for chromosome aberrations, sister chromatid exchanges and DNA damage. DNA damage was observed at cytotoxic concentrations of PAN. No effects at noncytotoxic exposures.	Kligerman et al. (1995)
0.077,0.192,0.384	1 h			
0, 15, 39, or 78 ppm	1 h	Mice, male, B6C3F1, 6 weeks old, n = 4	In vivo: Nose-only exposures. No dose-related effects at any exposure level in any assay. Suggests that PAN, both in vitro and in vivo, is not a DNA damaging agent or clastogen.	
3 ppm PAN	1 month	Hamster, Chinese, n = 4	Measured frequency of thioguanine-resistant lung fibroblasts and frequency of micronuclei in either the bone marrow or the lungs. Mutation frequencies not altered from control levels. No chromosome breakage was observed in bone marrow or lung. Suggests no mutagenicity in vivo.	Heddle et al. (1993)
~300 ppb	4, 7, 10, or 12 h	Salmonella TA100	Gas phase exposure PAN-induced mutants: 59% GC → TA; 29% GC → AT; 2% GC → CG; 10% multiple mutations — primarily GG → TT tandem-base substitutions.	DeMarini et al. (2000)
78 ppm	24 h	Mice, Big Blue®, male, 4 week old, n = 15	Nose-only exposure. Mutagenic at the lacI gene in the lung; no tandem-base mutations.	
~80 ppm ^{3}H-PAN	1 h		Nasal tissue: 3.9% of the radiolabel. Lung: 0.3 % of radiolabel. Suggests that PAN is weakly mutagenic in Salmonella (with a signature GG → TT transversion) and in mouse lung.	

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ANNEX AX6. CONTROLLED HUMAN EXPOSURE STUDIES OF OZONE AND RELATED PHOTOCHEMICAL OXIDANTS

AX6.1 INTRODUCTION

Results of ozone (O_3) studies in laboratory animals and in vitro test systems were presented in Chapter 5 and Annex 5. The extrapolation of results from animal studies is one mechanism by which information on potential adverse human health effects from exposure to O_3 is obtained. More direct evidence of human health effects due to O_3 exposure can be obtained through controlled human exposure studies of volunteer subjects or through field and epidemiologic studies of populations exposed to ambient O_3. Controlled human exposure studies, discussed in this chapter, typically use fixed concentrations of O_3 under carefully regulated environmental conditions and subject activity levels.

Most of the scientific information selected for review and evaluation in this chapter comes from the literature published since 1996 which, in addition to further study of physiological pulmonary responses and respiratory symptoms, has focused on mechanisms of inflammation and cellular responses to injury induced by O_3 inhalation. Older studies are discussed where only limited new data are available and where new and old data are conflicting. The reader is referred to both the 1986 and 1996 Air Quality Criteria documents (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986, 1996) for a more extensive discussion of older studies. Summary tables of the relevant O_3 literature are included for each of the major subsections.
In summarizing the human health effects literature, changes from control are described if statistically significant at a probability (p) value less than 0.05, otherwise trends are noted as such.

AX6.2 PULMONARY FUNCTION EFFECTS OF OZONE EXPOSURE IN HEALTHY SUBJECTS

AX6.2.1 Introduction

The responses observed in young healthy nonsmoking human adults exposed to ambient O_3 concentrations include decreased inspiratory capacity; mild bronchoconstriction; rapid, shallow breathing pattern during exercise; and symptoms of cough and pain on deep inspiration. In addition, O_3 has been shown to result in airway hyperresponsiveness as demonstrated by an increased physiological response to a nonspecific bronchoconstrictor, as well as airway injury and inflammation assessed via bronchoalveolar lavage and biopsy. Reflex inhibition of inspiration and consequent decrease in inspiratory capacity results in a decrease in forced vital capacity (FVC) and total lung capacity (TLC) and, in combination with mild bronchoconstriction, contributes to a decrease in the forced expiratory volume in 1 s (FEV_1). Given that both FEV_1 and FVC are subject to decrease with O_3 exposures, changes in the ratio (FEV_1/FVC) become difficult to interpret and so are not discussed.

The majority of controlled human studies have investigated the effects of exposure to variable O_3 concentrations in healthy subjects performing continuous exercise (CE) or intermittent exercise (IE) for variable periods of time. These studies have several important limitations: (1) the ability to study only short-term, acute effects; (2) the inability to link short-term effects with long-term consequences; (3) the use of a small number of volunteers that may not be representative of the general population; and (4) the statistical limitations associated with the small sample size. Nonetheless, studies reviewed in the 1996 EPA criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) provided a large body of data describing the effects and dose-response characteristics of O_3 as function of O_3 concentration (C), minute ventilation ($\dot{V}_E$), and duration or time (T) of exposure. In most of these studies, subjects were exposed to O_3 and to filtered air (FA [reported as 0 ppm O_3]) as a control. The most salient observations from these studies were: (1) healthy subjects exposed to O_3 concentrations $\geq$0.08 ppm develop significant reversible, transient decrements in pulmonary function if $\dot{V}_E$ or T are increased sufficiently, (2) there is a large degree of intersubject variability in physiologic and symptomatic responses to O_3 and these responses tend to be reproducible within a given individual over a several months period, and (3) subjects exposed repeated to O_3 over several

days develop a tolerance to successive exposures, as demonstrated by an attenuation of responses, which is lost after about a week without exposure.

In this section, the effects of single O_3 exposures of 1- to 8-h in duration on pulmonary function in healthy nonsmoking subjects are examined by reviewing studies that investigate: (1) the O_3 exposure-response relationship; (2) intersubject variability, individual sensitivity, and the association between responses; and (3) mechanisms of pulmonary function responses and the relationship between tissue-level events and functional responses. Discussion will largely be limited to studies published subsequent to the 1996 EPA criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996)

AX6.2.2 Acute Ozone Exposures for Up to 2 Hours

At-Rest Exposures. Exposure studies investigating the effects of O_3 exposures on sedentary subjects were discussed in the 1986 EPA criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986). The lowest O_3 concentration at which significant reductions in FVC and FEV_1 were reported was 0.5 ppm (Folinsbee et al., 1978; Horvath et al., 1979). Based on the average O_3 responses in these two studies (corrected for FA responses), resting young adults (n = 23, age = 22) exposed to 0.5 ppm O_3 have a ~4% reduction in FVC and a ~7% reduction FEV_1. At lower O_3 concentrations of 0.25 to 0.3 ppm, resting exposures did not significantly affect lung function.

Exposures with Exercise. Collectively, the studies reviewed in the 1996 EPA criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) demonstrated that healthy young adults performing moderate to heavy IE or CE of 1 to 2.5 h duration, exposed to 0.12 to 0.18 ppm O_3 experienced statistically significant decrements in pulmonary function and respiratory symptoms. As an example, 2 hr exposures to 0.12 and 0.18 ppm O_3 during heavy IE (exercise $\dot{V}_E$ = 65 L/min) have resulted in FEV_1 decrements of 2.0 ± 0.8% (mean ± SE; n = 40) and 9.5 ± 1.1% (n = 89), respectively (McDonnell and Smith, 1994). Significant decrements in pulmonary function have been reported in heavily exercising healthy adults exposed for 1 h with CE at O_3 concentrations of 0.12 ppm (Gong et al., 1986), 0.16 ppm (Avol et al., 1984), and 0.2 ppm (Adams and Schelegle, 1983; Folinsbee et al., 1984).

In an attempt to describe O_3 dose-response characteristics, many investigators modeled acute responses as a function of total inhaled O_3 dose ($C \times T \times \dot{V}_E$), which was found to be a

better predictor of response than O_3 concentration, $\dot{V}_E$, or T of exposure, alone. In an analysis of 6 studies with 1 to 2 h exposures to between 0.12 and 0.18 ppm O_3 with exercise, Folinsbee et al. (1988) reported a good correlation (r = 0.81) between total inhaled O_3 dose and FEV_1 decrements. For a given exposure duration, total inhaled O_3 dose can be increased by increases in C and/or $\dot{V}_E$. In exposures of fixed duration, results of several studies suggested that O_3 concentration was a more important predictor of response or explained more of the variability in response than $\dot{V}_E$ (Adams et al., 1981; Folinsbee et al, 1978; Hazucha, 1987). Based on a review of previously published studies, Hazucha (1987) noted that relative to the FEV_1 decrement occurring at a given C and $\dot{V}_E$, doubling C (e.g., from 0.1 to 0.2 ppm) would increase the FEV_1 decrement by 400%, whereas doubling the $\dot{V}_E$ (e.g., from an exercise $\dot{V}_E$ of 20 to 40 L/min) which would only increase the FEV_1 decrement by 190%. Thus, C appears to have a greater affect than $\dot{V}_E$ on FEV_1 responses even when total inhaled O_3 doses are equivalent.

New studies (i.e., not reviewed in the 1996 EPA criteria document) that provide spirometric responses for up to 2 h exposures are summarized in Table AX6-1. Most of these newer studies have investigated mechanisms affecting responses, inflammation, and/or effects in diseased groups versus healthy adults, accordingly their findings may be summarized differently in several sections of this chapter. Rather than being interested in responses due to O_3 versus FA exposures, many of the newer studies have tested the effects of a placebo versus treatment in modulating responses to O_3 exposure. Studies appearing in Table 1, but not discussed in this section, are discussed in other sections of this chapter as indicated within the table.

McDonnell et al. (1997) pooled the results of eight studies entailing 485 healthy male subjects exposed for 2 h on one occasion to one of six O_3 concentrations (0.0, 0.12, 0.18, 0.24, 0.30, or 0.40 ppm) at rest or one of two levels of IE ($\dot{V}_E$ of 25 and 35 L/min/m^2 BSA). FEV_1 was measured preexposure, after 1 h of exposure, and immediately postexposure. Decrements in FEV_1 were modeled by sigmoid-shaped curve as a function of subject age, O_3 concentration, $\dot{V}_E$, and T. The modeled decrements reach a plateau with increasing T and dose rate ($C \times \dot{V}_E$). That is, for a given O_3 concentration, exercise $\dot{V}_E$ level, and after a certain length of exposure, the FEV_1 response tends not to increase further with increasing duration of exposure. The modeled FEV_1 responses increased with $C \times \dot{V}_E$ and T, decreased with subject age, but were only

Table AX6-1. Controlled Exposure of Healthy Humans to Ozone for 1 to 2 Hours During Exercise[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.0 0.4	0 784	2 h IE 4 × 15 min on bicycle, $\dot{V}_E$ = 30 L/min	NA	5 M, 4 F 6 M, 7 F	Healthy adults 25 ± 2 years old Mild atopic asthmatics 22 ± 0.7 years old	O_3-induced reductions in FVC (12%, 10%) and FEV_1 (13%, 11%) for asthmatic and healthy subjects. Significant reductions in mid-flows in both asthmatics and healthy subjects. Indomethacin pretreatment significantly decreased FVC and FEV_1 responses to O_3 in healthy but not asthmatic subjects. *See Section AX6.3.2 and Tables AX6-3 and AX6-13.*	Alexis et al. (2000)
0.0 0.2	0 392	2 h IE 4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	20 °C 50% RH	8 M, 5 F	Healthy NS median age 23 years	Median O_3-induced decrements of 70 mL, 190 mL, and 400 mL/s in FVC, FEV_1, and FEF_{25-75}, respectively. Spirometric responses not predicted of inflammatory responses. *See Sections AX6.2.5.2, AX6.5.6, and AX6.9.3 and Table AX6-12*.	Blomberg et al. (1999)
0.0 0.2	0 392	2 h IE 4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	20 °C 50% RH	10 M, 12 F	Healthy NS mean age 24 years	Significant O_3-induced decrement in FEV_1 immediately postexposure but not significantly different from baseline 2 h later. No correlation between Clara cell protein (CC16) and FEV_1 decrement. CC16 levels, elevated by O_3 exposure, remained high at 6 h postexposure, but returned to baseline by 18 h postexposure. *See Table AX6-12*	Blomberg et al. (2003)
0.0 0.33	0 647	2 h IE 4 × 15 min on bicycle ergometer (600 kpm/min)	NA	9 M	Healthy NS 26.7 ± 7 years old	O_3-induced reductions in FVC (7%). FRC not altered by O_3 exposure. Post FA, normal gradient in ventilation which increased from apex to the base of the lung. Post O_3, ventilation shifted away from the lower-lung into middle and upper-lung regions. The post O_3 increase in ventilation to mid-lung region was correlated with decrease in midmaximal expiratory flow ($r = 0.76$, $p < 0.05$).	Foster et al. (1993)
0.0 0.35	0 690	2.2 h IE 2 × 30 min on treadmill ($\dot{V}_E \approx$ 50 L/min) Final 10 min rest	19-23 °C 48-55% RH	15 M	Healthy NS 25.4 ± 2 years old	Pre- to post-O_3, mean FVC and FEV_1 decreased by 12 and 14%, respectively. Following O_3 exposure, there was a pronounced slow phase evident in multibreath nitrogen washouts which, on average, represented a 24% decrease in the washout rate relative to pre-O_3.	Foster et al. (1997)

Table AX6-1 (cont'd). Controlled Exposure of Healthy Humans to Ozone for 1 to 2 Hours during Exercise[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.0 0.12 0.18 0.24 0.30 0.40	0 235 353 471 589 784	2 h rest or IE (4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 or 35 L/min/m² BSA)	22 °C 40% RH	485 M (each subject exposed at one activity level to one O_3 concentration)	Healthy NS 18 to 36 years old mean age 24 years	Statistical analysis of 8 experimental chamber studies conducted between 1980 and 1993 by the U.S. EPA in Chapel Hill, NC. Decrement in FEV_1 described by sigmoid-shaped curve as a function of subject age, O_3 concentration, $\dot{V}_E$, and time. Response decreased with age, was minimally affected by body size corrections, and was not more sensitive to O_3 concentration than $\dot{V}_E$. *Also see Section AX6.5*.	McDonnell et al. (1997)
0.4	784	2 h IE 20 min mild-mod. exercise, 10 min rest	NA	4 M, 5 F	Healthy NS 30 ± 3 years old	Subjects previously in Nightingale et al. (2000) study. Placebo-control: Immediately postexposure decrements in FVC (9%) and FEV_1 (14%) relative to pre-exposure values. FEV_1 decrement only 9% at 1 hr postexposure. By 3 h postexposure, recovery in FVC to 97% and FEV_1 to 98% of preexposure values. Significant increases in 8-isoprostane at 4 h postexposure. Budesonide for 2 wk prior to exposure did not affect responses.	Montuschi et al. (2002)
0.0 0.2	392	2 h IE 4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m² BSA	20 °C 50% RH	6 M, 9 F 9 M, 6 F	Healthy adults 24 years old Mild asthmatics 29 years old	O_3-induced FEV_1 decrement (8%, healthy adults; 3% asthmatics) and PMN increase (20.6%, healthy adults; 15.2% asthmatics). Primary goal was to investigate relationship between antioxidant defenses and O_3 responses in asthmatics and healthy adults. *See Tables* AX*6-3 and AX6-13*.	Mudway et al. (2001) Stenfors et al. (2002)
0.4	784	2 h IE 20 min mild-mod. exercise, 10 min rest	NA	6 M, 9 F	Healthy NS mean age ~31 years	Placebo-control: O_3 caused significant decrements in FEV_1 (13.5%) and FVC (10%) immediately following exposure, a small increase in Mch-reactivity, and increased PMNs and myeloperoxidase in induced sputum at 4 h postexposure. FEV_1 at 96% and FVC at 97% preexposure values at 3 h postexposure. Budesonide for 2 wk prior to exposure did not affect spirometric responses. *See Section AX6.2.5 and Table AX6-13*.	Nightingale et al. (2000)

Table AX6-1 (cont'd). Controlled Exposure of Healthy Humans to Ozone for 1 to 2 Hours during Exercise[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.0 0.4	784	2 h IE 4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ =18 L/min/m^2 BSA 2 exposures: 25% subjects exposed to air-air, 75% to O_3-O_3	21 °C 40% RH	Weak responders 7 M, 13F Strong responders 21 M, 21 F	Healthy NS 20 to 59 years old	Significant O_3-induced decrements in spirometric lung function. Young adults (<35 years) were significantly more responsive than older individuals (>35 years). Sufentanil, a narcotic analgesic, largely abolished symptom responses and improved FEV_1 in strong responders. Naloxone, an opioid antagonist, did not affect O_3 effects in weak responders. *See Section AX6.2.5.1.*	Passannante et al. (1998)
0.0 0.4	784	2 h IE 4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	20 °C 40% RH	Placebo group 15 M, 1 F Antioxidant group 13 M, 2 F	Healthy NS mean age 27 years	Placebo and antioxidant groups had O_3-induced decrements in FEV_1 (20 and 14%) and FVC (13 and 10%), respectively. Percent neutrophils and IL-6 levels in BAL fluid obtained 1 h postexposure were not different in the two treatment groups. *See Table AX6-13.*	Samet et al. (2001) Steck-Scott et al. (2004)
0.0 0.25	490	1 h CE $\dot{V}_E$ = 30 L/min	NA Face mask exposure	32 M, 28 F	Healthy NS 22.6 ± 0.6 years old	Mean O_3-induced FEV_1 decrements of 15.9% in males and 9.4% in females (gender differences not significant). FEV_1 decrements ranged from −4 to 56%; decrements >15% in 20 subjects and >40% in 4 subjects. Uptake of O_3 greater in males than females, but uptake not correlated with spirometric responses.	Ultman et al. (2004)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.
[c]Studies conducted in exposure chamber unless otherwise indicated.

minimally affected by body size corrections to $\dot{V}_E$. Fitted and experimental FEV_1 decrements following a 2 h exposure at three nominal levels of $\dot{V}_E$ are illustrated in Figure AX6-1 as a function of O_3 concentration. Their analysis indicated that C was marginally, but not significantly, more important than $\dot{V}_E$ in predicting FEV_1 response. Additionally, the McDonnell et al. (1997) analysis revealed that some prior analyses of IE protocols may have over estimated the relative importance of C over $\dot{V}_E$ in predicting FEV_1 responses by considering only the $\dot{V}_E$ during exercise and ignoring the $\dot{V}_E$ during periods of rest.

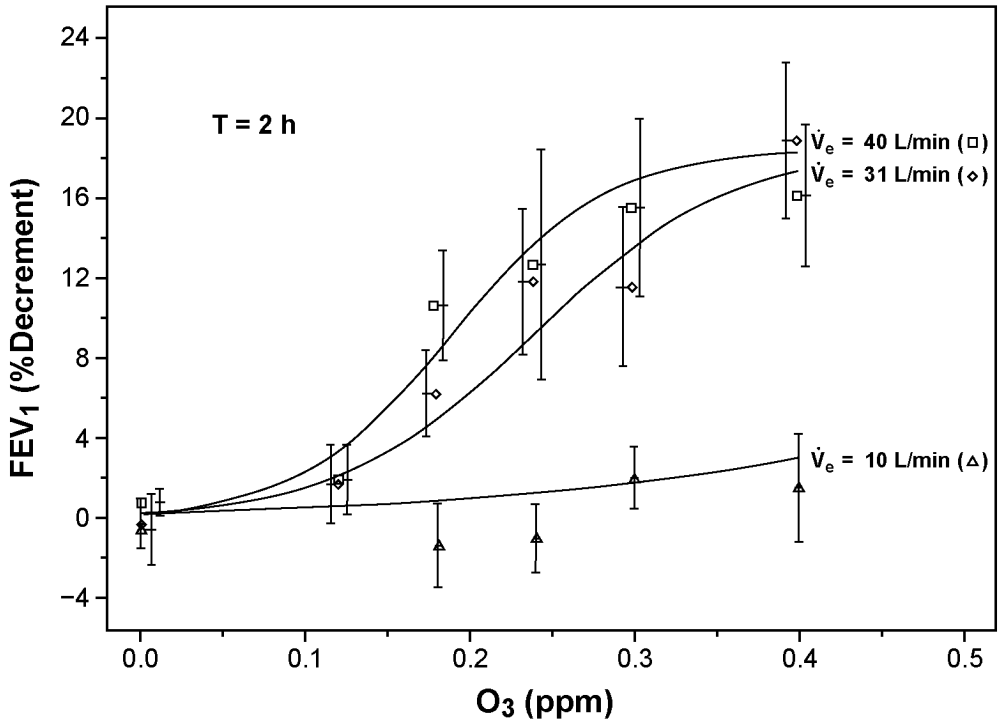

Figure AX6-1. FEV_1 decrements as a function of O_3 concentration following a 2 h exposure with incremental exercise (15 min intervals) or rest. Points are experimental data (mean ± SE) and lines are model predictions for each activity level. Minute ventilation ($\dot{V}_E$) represent average across intervals of rest and exercise.

Source: McDonnell et al. (1997).

Ultman et al. (2004) measured O_3 uptake and pulmonary responses in 60 young heathy nonsmoking adults (32 M, 28 F). A bolus technique was used to quantify the uptake of O_3 as a function of the volume into the lung which the bolus penetrated. From these measurements, the volumetric depth at which 50% uptake occurred was calculated. This volumetric lung depth was correlated with conducting airways volume, i.e., a greater fraction of O_3 penetrated to deeper into the lungs of individuals have larger conducting airways volumes. Two weeks after the bolus measurements, subjects were exposed via a face mask to FA and subsequently two weeks later to 0.25 ppm O_3 for 1 h with CE at a target $\dot{V}_E$ of 30 L/min. The breath-by-breath uptake of O_3 was measured. There was a small but significant reduction in the breath-by-breath uptake of O_3 from 90.6% on average for the first 15 minutes to 87.3% on average for the last 15 minutes of exposure. The uptake fraction was significantly greater in males (91.4%) than females (87.1%), which is consistent with the larger f_B and smaller V_T of the females than males. Uptake was not correlated with spirometric responses. However, there was tendency for males to have greater O_3-induced FEV_1 decrements than females, 15.9% versus 9.4%, respectively. There was considerable intersubject variability in FEV_1 decrements which ranged from −4 to 56% with 20 subjects having decrements of >15% and 4 subjects with >40% decrements (*see Section AX6.4 for additional discussion regarding intersubject variability*).

Few studies have measured the effect of ozone on ventilation distribution within the lung. Foster et al. (1993) measured the effect of ozone on the vertical distribution of inspired air in the lung using planar gamma scintigraphy. Nine healthy nonsmoking males (26.7 ± 7 years old) were randomly exposed to FA or 0.33 ppm O_3 for 2 h with IE. After each exposure session, subjects inhaled a 2- to 4-ml bolus of xenon-133 while seated in from of a gamma camera. Images were acquired at the end of the first inspiration and 5-6 breaths later after the xenon had equilibrated between lung regions. Using these images, the distribution of ventilation and volume between upper-, middle-, and lower-lung regions was quantified. Post-O_3 relative to post-FA, there were significant reductions in FVC (FA, 5.23 ± 0.5; O_3, 4.88 ± 0.5 liters) and midmaximal expiratory flow (FA, 3.82 ± 0.8; O_3, 3.14 ± 0.9 liter/sec). Neither FRC nor the distribution of volume (upper, 26.5%; middle, 42.5%; lower, 31%) between lung compartments were affected by O_3 exposure. After the FA exposure, the distribution of ventilation per unit volume increased with progression from the apex to the base of the lung, i.e., the lower lung regions received the greatest ventilation. Following O_3 exposure, there was a significant

reduction in the ventilation to the lower-lung and significant increases in ventilation to the upper- and middle-lung regions relative to the FA values in 7 of the 9 subjects. The post-O_3 increase in middle-lung ventilation was correlated with the decrease in midmaximal expiratory flow ($r = 0.76$, $p < 0.05$).

Foster et al. (1997) measured the effect of ozone on ventilation distribution using a multiple breath nitrogen washout. Fifteen healthy nonsmoking males (25.4 ± 2 years old) were randomly exposed to FA or 0.35 ppm O_3 for 2.2 h with IE. Subjects alternated between 30 min periods of rest and treadmill exercise ($\dot{V}_E \approx 10\times FVC \approx 50$ L/min). The final exercise period was followed by 10 min rest period. Multiple breath nitrogen washout and spirometry were measured pre- and immediately postexposure. At 24-h post-O_3 exposure, 12 of 15 subjects returned and completed an addition multibreath nitrogen washout maneuver. Pre- to post-O_3 exposure, the mean FVC and FEV_1 were significantly decreased by 12 and 14%, respectively. Exposure to FA did not appreciably affect spirometry or the multibreath nitrogen washout. Following O_3 exposure, the washout of nitrogen was delayed and resembled a two-compartment washout, whereas pre-O_3 exposure the log-linear clearance of nitrogen as a function of expired volume resembled a single-compartment washout. The clearance rate of the slow compartment was approximated as the slope ($Ln[N_2]$ per expired volume) of the nitrogen washout between 20% and 9% nitrogen. Post-O_3, there was a pronounced slow phase evident in nitrogen washout which, on average, represented a 24% decrease in the washout rate relative to pre-O_3. Data for a single subject (see Figure 6-1) allowed for the size of the slow compartment to be determined. For this subject, the slow compartment represented 23% of the lung. This is fairly consistent with Foster et al. (1993) where ventilation to the lower-lung (31% of volume) was reduced post-O_3. At 24-h post-O_3, 6 of the 12 subjects who completed an additional nitrogen washout maneuver had a delayed washout relative to the pre-O_3 maneuver. This suggests a prolonged O_3 effect on the small airways and ventilation distribution in some individuals.

AX6.2.3 Prolonged Ozone Exposures

Between 1988 and 1994, a number studies were completed that described the responses of subjects exposed to relatively low (0.08 to 0.16 ppm) O_3 concentrations for exposure durations of 4 to 8 h. These studies were discussed in the 1996 criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) and only a select few are briefly discussed here. Table AX6-2 details

Table AX6-2. Pulmonary Function Effects after Prolonged Exposures to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
Studies with 4 hr Exposures							
0.18	353	4 h IE (4 × 50 min) $\dot{V}_E$ = 35 L/min	23 °C 50% RH	2 M, 2 F	Adults NS, 21 to 33 years old	FVC decreased 19% and FEV_1 decreased 29% in these four pre-screened sensitive subjects.	Adams (2000a)
0.0 0.20	0 392	4 h IE (4 × 50 min cycle ergometry or treadmill running [$\dot{V}_E$ = 40 L/min])	20 °C 50% RH	FA: 11 M, 3 F O_3: 9 M, 3 F	Adult NS, 19 to 41 years old	Decrease in FVC, FEV_1, V_T, and SRaw and increase in f_B with O_3 exposure compared with FA; total cell count and LDH increased in isolated left main bronchus lavage and inflammatory cell influx occurred with O_3 exposure compared to FA exposure.	Aris et al. (1993)
0.2	392	4 h IE (4 × 50 min) $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 L/min/m^2 BSA	20 °C 50% RH	42 M, 24 F	Adults NS, 18 to 50 years old	FEV_1 decreased by 18.6%; Pre-exposure methacholine responsiveness was weakly correlated with the functional response to O_3 exposure. Symptoms were also weakly correlated with the FEV_1 response (r = -0.31 to −0.37)	Aris et al. (1995)
0.0 0.24	0 470	4 h IE (4 × 15 min) $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min	24 °C 40% RH	10 M 9 M	Healthy NS, 60 to 69 years COPD 59 to 71 years	Healthy: small, 3.3%, decline in FEV_1 (p = 0.03 [not reported in paper], paired-t on O_3 versus FA pre-post FEV_1). COPD: 8% decline in FEV_1 (p = ns, O_3 versus FA). Adjusted for exercise, ozone effects did not differ significantly between COPD patients and healthy subjects. *See Section AX6.5.1.*	Gong et al. (1997a)
Studies with >6 hr Exposures							
0.0 0.04 0.08 0.12	0 78 157 235	6.6 h IE (6 × 50min) $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	23 °C 50% RH	15 M, 15 F	Healthy NS, 22.4 ± 2.4 yrs old	FEV_1 and total symptoms at 6.6 h exposure to 0.04 ppm not significantly different from FA. FEV_1 (−6.4%) and total symptoms significant at 6.6 h exposure to 0.08 ppm. FEV_1 (−15.4%) at 6.6 h not significantly different between chamber and face mask exposure to 0.12 ppm.	Adams (2002)
0.12	235	3 day-6.6h/day IE (6 × 50 min) $\dot{V}_E$ = 17 L/min/m^2, 20 L/min/m^2 BSA, and 23 L/min/m^2 BSA	23 °C 50% RH	15 M, 15 F	Healthy NS, 18 to 31 years old	FEV_1 at 6.6 h decreased significantly by 9.3%, 11.7%, and 13.9%, respectively at three different exercise $\dot{V}_E$ rates, but were not significantly different from each other. Total symptoms at the highest $\dot{V}_E$ protocol were significantly greater than for the lowest $\dot{V}_E$ protocol beginning at 4.6 h. Largest subjects (2.2 m^2 BSA) had significantly greater average FEV_1 decrement for the three protocols, 18.5% compared to the smallest subjects (1.4 m^2 BSA), 6.5%.	Adams (2000b)

Table AX6-2 (cont'd). Pulmonary Function Effects after Prolonged Exposures to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
(a) 0.08 (b) 0.08 (mean) varied from 0.03 to 0.15	235 235 (mean)	6.6 h IE (6 × 50 min) $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	23 °C 50% RH	15 M 15 F	Healthy NS, 18 to 25 years old	(a) FEV_1 decreased 6.2% after 6.6 h in square-wave exposures. Total symptoms significantly increased at 5.6 and 6.6 h. (b) FEV_1 decreased 5.6 to 6.2% after 4.6 to 6.6 h, respectively, in varied exposure; total symptoms significantly increased also after 4.6 to 6.6 h. No significant difference between face mask and chamber exposures.	Adams (2003a)
(a) 0.08	157	6.6 h IE (6 × 50 min) $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	23 °C 50% RH	15 M 15 F	Healthy NS, 18 to 25 years old	Significantly greater FEV_1 decrement (12.4%) for 2-h, 0.30 ppm exposure than for 6.6-h, 0.08 ppm exposure (3.6%).	Adams (2003b)
(b) 0.30	588	2 h IE (4 × 15 min) $\dot{V}_E$ = 35 L/min/m^2 BSA					
(a) 0.12 (b) 0.12 (mean) varied from 0.07 to 0.16 (c) 0.12 (mean) varied from 0.11 to 0.13 (d) 0.12	235 235 (mean) 235 (mean) 235	6.6 h IE (6 × 50 min) (a,b,c) $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA (d) $\dot{V}_E$ = 12 L/min/m^2 BSA	23 °C 50% RH	6 M, 6 F	Healthy NS, 19 to 25 years old	(a) FEV_1 decreased 11% at 6.6 h in square-wave exposure. Total symptoms significant from 4.6 to 6.6 h. (b) FEV_1 decreased 13% at 6.6 h; not significantly different from square-wave exposure. Total symptoms significant from 4.6 to 6.6 h. (c) FEV_1 decreased 10.3% at 6.6 h; not significantly different from square-wave exposure. Total symptoms significant from 4.6 to 6.6 h. (d) FEV_1 decreased 3.6% at 6.6 h; significantly less than for 20 L/min/m^2 BSA protocols.	Adams and Ollison (1997)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.

newer studies of healthy subjects undergoing prolonged exposures at O_3 concentrations ranging from 0.06 to 0.20 ppm. In most of these studies, statistically significant changes in pulmonary function, symptoms, and airway responsiveness have been observed during and after exposures to O_3 concentrations of 0.08 ppm and higher. As with studies conducted at higher O_3 concentrations for shorter periods of time, there is considerable intersubject variability in response (*see Section AX6.4*).

Folinsbee et al. (1988) first reported the effects of a 6.6 h exposure to 0.12 ppm O_3 in ten young healthy adults (25 ± 4 yr) with quasi continuous exercise that was intended to simulate a full workday of heavy physical labor. Except for a 35-min lunch break after 3 h, the subjects exercised at a moderate level ($\dot{V}_E \approx 40$ L/min) for 50 min of each hour. Ignoring the lunch break during which lung function did not change appreciably, approximately linear decreases were observed in FVC, FEV_1, and FEV_{25-75} with duration of O_3 exposure. Correcting for FA responses, decrements of 8.2, 14.9, and 26.8% in FVC, FEV_1, and FEV_{25-75} occurred as a result of the O_3 exposure. Using the same 6.6 h protocol, but a lower O_3 concentration of 0.08 ppm, Horstman et al. (1990) and McDonnell et al. (1991) observed decrements corrected for FA (and averaged across studies) of 5, 8, and 11% in FVC, FEV_1, and FEV_{25-75}, respectively, in 60 young adults (25 ± 5 years old). Horvath et al. (1991) observed a 4% ($p = 0.03$)[1] decrement in FEV_1 using the forementioned protocol (i.e., 6.6 h and 0.08 ppm O_3) in 11 healthy adults (37 ± 4 yr). The smaller decrement observed by Horvath et al. (1991) versus Horstman et al. (1990) and McDonnell et al. (1991) is consistent with response decreasing as subject age increases (*see Section AX6.5.1*).

AX6.2.3.1 Effect of Exercise Ventilation Rate on FEV_1 Response to 6.6 h Ozone Exposure

It is well known that response to O_3 exposure is a function of $\dot{V}_E$ in studies of 2 h or less in duration (*See Section AX6.2.2*). It is reasonable to expect that response to a prolonged 6.6-h O_3 exposure is also function of $\dot{V}_E$, although quantitative analyses are lacking.

In an attempt to quantify this effect, Adams and Ollison (1997) exposed 12 young adults to an average O_3 concentration of 0.12 ppm for 6.6 h at varied exercise $\dot{V}_E$. They observed a mean FEV_1 decrements of 10 to 11% in two protocols having a mean exercise $\dot{V}_E$ of 33 L/min

[1]Based on two-tailed paired t-test of data in Table III of Horvath et al. (1991).

and a 14% decrement in a protocol with a mean exercise $\dot{V}_E$ of 36 L/min. These FEV_1 decrements were significantly greater than the average decrement of 3.6% (not significantly different from FA response) observed at an exercise $\dot{V}_E$ of only 20 L/min. In a subsequent study of 30 healthy adults (Adams, 2000b), the effect of smaller exercise $\dot{V}_E$ differences on pulmonary function and symptoms responses to 6.6 h exposure to 0.12 ppm O_3 was examined. FEV_1 decrements of 9.3, 11.7, and 13.9% were observed for the exercise $\dot{V}_E$ of 30.2, 35.5, and 40.8 L/min, respectively. Along with the tendency for FEV_1 responses to increase with $\dot{V}_E$, total symptoms severity was found to be significantly greater at the end of the highest $\dot{V}_E$ protocol relative to the lowest $\dot{V}_E$ protocol. Although the FEV_1 responses were not significantly different from each other, the power of the study to detect differences between the three $\dot{V}_E$ levels was not reported and no analysis was performed using all of the data (e.g., a mixed effects model). Data from the Adams and Ollison (1997) and Adams (2000b) studies are illustrated in Figure AX6-2 with data from three older studies. There is a paucity of data below an exercise $\dot{V}_E$ of 30 L/min. Existing data for exposure to 0.12 ppm O_3 suggest that FEV_1 responses increase with increasing exercise $\dot{V}_E$ until at least 35 L/min.

AX6.2.3.2 Exercise Ventilation Rate as a Function of Body/Lung Size on FEV_1 Response to 6.6 h Ozone Exposure

Typically, with the assumption that the total inhaled O_3 dose should be proportional to the lung size of each individual, exercise $\dot{V}_E$ in 6.6 h exposures has been set as a multiple of body surface area (BSA) (McDonnell et al., 1991) or as a product of eight times FVC (Folinsbee et al., 1988; Frank et al., 2001; Horstman et al., 1990). Utilizing previously published data, McDonnell et al. (1997) developed a statistical model analyzing the effects of O_3 concentration, $\dot{V}_E$, duration of exposure, age, and body and lung size on FEV_1 response. They concluded that any effect of BSA, height, or baseline FVC on percent decrement in FEV_1 in this population of 485 young adults was small if it exists at all. This is consistent with Messineo and Adams (1990), who examined pulmonary function responses in young adult women having small (n = 14) or large (n = 14) lung sizes (mean FVC of 3.74 and 5.11 L, respectively). Subjects were exposed to 0.30 ppm O_3 for 1 h with CE ($\dot{V}_E$ = 47 L/min). There was no significant difference between the

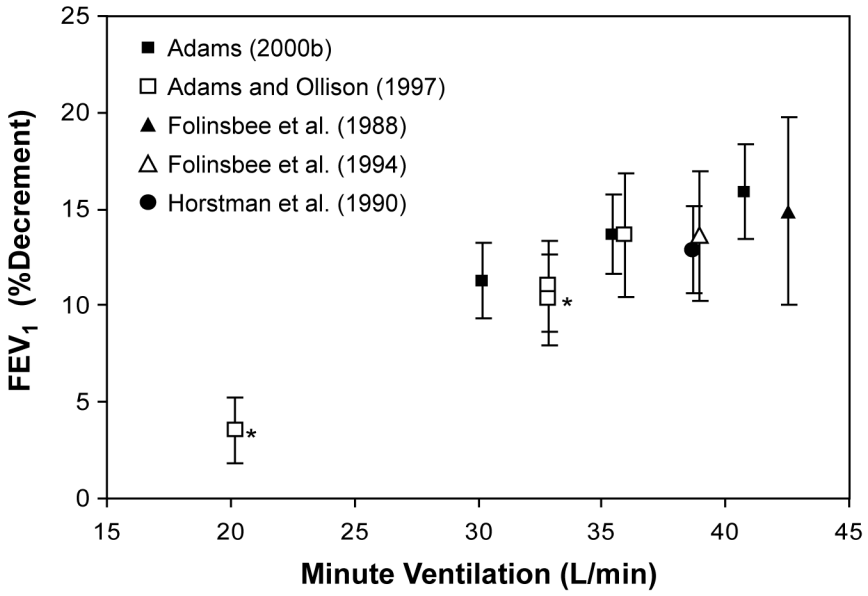

Figure AX6-2. Average FEV_1 decrements (±SE) for prolonged 6.6 h exposures to 0.12 ppm O_3 as a function of exercise $\dot{V}_E$. Since age affects response to O_3 exposure, selected studies had subjects with mean ages between 22 and 25 years. FEV_1 decrements were calculated as mean O_3 responses minus mean air responses. The SE bars illustrate variability in FEV_1 responses (pre minus post) on the O_3 exposure day in all cases except for Folinsbee et al. (1994), where post O_3 exposure variability is illustrated. In one case, the SE for $\dot{V}_E$ of 33 L/Min (10.3% decrement) was taken as the SE of data from protocol with $\dot{V}_E$ of 33 L/min (11% decrement). All studies used a constant 0.12 ppm O_3 exposure except two (⋆) which used 0.115 ppm O_3 for hours 1-2 and 5-6 and 0.13 ppm O_3 for hours 3-4 of exposure.

group FEV_1 decrements (22.1 and 25.6% for small and large lung, respectively). In addition, Messineo and Adams (1990) also did a retrospective analysis of 36 young adult males who each had completed similar 1 h exposures to 0.30 ppm O_3 with CE ($\dot{V}_E \approx 70$ L/min) and found lung size was not related to FEV_1 response.

Adams (2000b) studied a group of 30 young adult men and women exposed to 0.12 ppm O_3 for 6.6 h on three occasions while exercising 50 min of each hour at one of three different $\dot{V}_E$ levels (viz., 17, 20, and 23 1/min/m^2 BSA). Their postexposure FEV_1 responses were regressed as a function of BSA (which was directly related to the absolute amount of $\dot{V}_E$

during exercise and, thus, primarily responsible for individual differences in total inhaled O_3 dose). The slope was significantly different from zero ($p = 0.01$), meaning that the smallest subjects, who had the lowest exercise $\dot{V}_E$ (≈ 26 L/min), had a lower FEV_1 decrement (−5%) than the largest subjects (−17%), whose exercise $\dot{V}_E$ was ≈44 L/min. This relationship was not a gender-based difference, as the mean female's FEV_1 decrement was −11.2%, which was not significantly different from the male's −12.2% mean value. Similarly, when total symptoms severity response was regressed against BSA, the slope was significantly different than zero ($p = 0.0001$), with lower values for smaller subjects than for larger subjects. Results of this study suggest that for the O_3 concentration and exposure duration used, responses are more closely related to $\dot{V}_E$ than $\dot{V}_E$ normalized to BSA. Further, this observation is in agreement with McDonnell et al. (1997), who observed no evidence that measurements of lung or body size were significantly related to FEV_1 response in 2 h IE exposures. These authors state that the absence of an observed relationship between FEV_1 response and BSA, height, or FVC may be due to the poor correlation between these variables and airway caliber (Collins et al., 1986; Martin et al., 1987). Also, the O_3 dosimetry study of Bush et al. (1996) indicated that normalization of the O_3 dose would be more appropriately applied as a function of anatomic dead space.

AX6.2.3.3 Comparison of 6.6 h Ozone Exposure Pulmonary Responses to Those Observed in 2 h Intermittent Exercise Ozone Exposures

It has been shown that greater O_3 concentration (Horstman et al., 1990) and higher $\dot{V}_E$ (Adams, 2000b) each elicit greater FEV_1 response in prolonged, 6.6-h exposures, but data on the relative effect of O_3 concentration, $\dot{V}_E$, and T in prolonged exposures are very limited and have not been systematically compared to data from shorter (<2-h) exposures. In a recent study (Adams, 2003b), the group mean FEV_1 response for a 2-h IE exposure to 0.30 ppm O_3 was −12.4%, while that for a 6.6-h exposure to 0.08 ppm O_3 was −3.5%. The total inhaled O_3 dose (as the simple product of $C \times T \times \dot{V}_E$) was 1358 ppm·L for the 2-h exposure and 946 ppm·L for the 6.6-h exposure. Thus, the FEV_1 decrement was 3.5 times greater and the total inhaled O_3 dose was 1.44 times greater for the 2-h exposure compared to the 6.6-h exposure. This difference illustrates the limitations of utilizing the concept of total O_3 dose for comparisons between studies of vastly different exposure durations.

Adams (2003b) also examined whether prolonged 6.6 h exposure to a relatively low O_3 concentration (0.08 ppm) and the 2-h IE exposure at a relatively high O_3 concentration (0.30 ppm) elicited consistent individual subject effects, i.e, were those most or least affected in one exposure also similarly affected in the other? Individual subject O_3 exposure reproducibility was first examined via a regression plot of the postexposure FEV_1 response to the 6.6-h chamber exposure as a function of postexposure FEV_1 response to the 2-h chamber exposure. The R^2 of 0.40, although statistically significant, was substantially less than that observed in a comparison of individual FEV_1 response to two 2-h IE exposures by chamber and face mask, respectively ($R^2 = 0.83$). The Spearman rank order correlation for the chamber 6.6-h and chamber 2-h exposure comparison was also substantially less (0.49) than that obtained for the two 2-h exposures (0.85). The primary reason for the greater variability in the chamber 6.6-h exposure FEV_1 response as a function of that observed for the two 2-h IE exposures is very likely related to the increased variability in response upon repeated exposure to O_3 concentrations lower than 0.18 ppm (R = 0.57, compared to a mean R of 0.82 at higher concentrations) reported by McDonnell et al. (1985a). This rationale is supported by the lower R (0.60) observed by Adams (2003b) for the FEV_1 responses found in 6.6 h chamber and face mask exposures to 0.08 ppm O_3, compared to an R of 0.91 observed for responses found for the 2 h chamber and face mask exposures to 0.30 ppm O_3.

AX6.2.4 Triangular Ozone Exposures

To further explore the factors that determine responsiveness to O_3, Hazucha et al. (1992) designed a protocol to examine the effect of varying, rather than constant, O_3 concentrations. In this study, subjects were exposed to a constant level of 0.12 ppm O_3 for 8 h and to an O_3 level that increased linearly from 0 to 0.24 ppm for the first 4 h and then decreased linearly from 0.24 to 0 over the second 4 h of the 8 h exposure (triangular concentration profile). Subjects performed moderate exercise ($\dot{V}_E \approx 40$ L/min) during the first 30 minutes of each hour. The total inhaled O_3 dose (i.e., $C \times T \times \dot{V}_E$) for the constant versus the triangular concentration profile was almost identical. FEV_1 responses are illustrated in Figure AX6-3. With exposure to the constant 0.12 ppm O_3, FEV_1 declined approximately 5% by the fifth hour of exposure and then remained at that level. This observation clearly indicates a response plateau as suggested in other

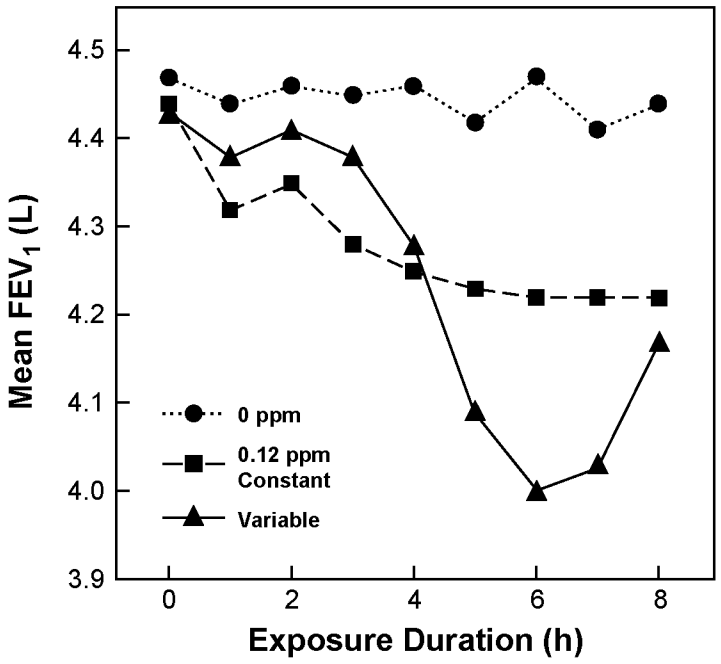

Figure AX6-3. The forced expiratory volume in 1 s (FEV_1) is shown in relation to exposure duration (hours) under three exposure conditions. Subjects exercised (minute ventilation ≈ 40 L/min) for 30 min during each hour; FEV_1 was measured at the end of the intervening rest period. Standard error of the mean for these FEV_1 averages (not shown) ranged from 120 to 150 mL.

Source: Hazucha et al. (1992).

prolonged exposure studies (Horstman et al., 1990; McDonnell et al., 1991). However, with the triangular O_3 concentration profile after a minimal initial response over the first 3 h, Hazucha et al. (1992) observed a substantial decrease in FEV_1 corresponding to the higher average O_3 concentration that reached a nadir after 6 h (−10.3%). Despite 2 h of continued exposure to a lower O_3 concentration (0.12 to 0.00 ppm, mean = 0.06 ppm), FEV_1 improved and was only reduced by 6.3% (relative to the preexposure FEV_1) at the end of the 8-h exposure. The authors concluded that total inhaled O_3 dose ($C \times \dot{V}_E \times T$) was not a sufficient index of O_3 exposure and that, as observed by others (Adams et al., 1981; Folinsbee et al., 1978; Hazucha, 1987; Larsen et al., 1991), O_3 concentration appears to be more important in determining exposure effects than is either duration or the volume of air breathed during the exposure. However, it should be noted

that the mean O_3 concentration for Hazucha et al.'s triangular exposure profile was 0.12 ppm at 4 h, 0.138 ppm at 5 h, 0.14 ppm at 6 h, and 0.133 ppm at 7 h, before falling to 0.12 ppm at 8 h. The FEV_1 responses of the last 4 hours (Figure AX6-3) follow a closely similar pattern as the total mean O_3 concentration over the same time period.

It has become apparent that laboratory simulations of air-pollution risk-assessment need to employ O_3 concentration profiles that more accurately mimic those encountered during summer daylight ambient air pollution episodes (Adams and Ollison, 1997; Lefohn and Foley, 1993; Rombout et al., 1986). Neither square-wave O_3 exposures or the one 8-h study by Hazucha et al. (1992) that utilized a triangular shaped varied O_3 exposure described above closely resembles the variable diurnal daylight O_3 concentration pattern observed in many urban areas experiencing air-pollution episodes (Lefohn and Foley, 1993). Recently, 6.6 h less abrupt triangular O_3 exposure profiles at lower concentrations more typical of outdoor ambient conditions have been examined (Adams 2003a; Adams and Ollison, 1997).

Using a face-mask inhalation system, Adams and Ollison (1997) observed no significant differences in postexposure pulmonary function responses or symptoms between the 6.6-h, 0.12 ppm O_3 square-wave exposure; and those observed for a triangular O_3 profile in which concentration was increased steadily from 0.068 ppm to 0.159 ppm at 3.5 h and then decreased steadily to 0.097 ppm at end exposure. Further, no attenuation in FEV_1 response during the last 2 h was observed in either the 6.6 h square-wave or the triangular exposures. In a subsequent study (Adams, 2003a), no significant difference was observed in pulmonary function responses or symptoms between face-mask and chamber exposure systems either for a 6.6-h, 0.08 ppm O_3 square-wave profile or for the triangular O_3 exposure beginning at 0.03 ppm, increasing steadily to 0.15 ppm in the fourth hour, and decreasing steadily to 0.05 ppm at 6.6 h (mean = 0.08 ppm).

For the chamber-exposure comparison, postexposure values for FEV_1 and symptoms were not significantly different from the responses for the square-wave 0.08 ppm O_3 exposure. However, analysis showed that FEV_1 response for the square-wave protocol did not become statistically significant until the 6.6-h postexposure value, while that for the triangular exposure protocol was significant at 4.6 h (when O_3 concentration was 0.15 ppm). Earlier significant FEV_1 responses for the triangular protocol were accompanied by significant increases in symptoms at 4.6 h, which continued on through the fifth and sixth hours when the mean O_3 concentration was 0.065 ppm. Symptoms for the square-wave 0.08 ppm exposure did not

become statistically significant until 5.6 h. The FEV_1 responses during the last two hours of the triangular exposure by Adams (2003a) did not decrease as dramatically as in the Hazucha et al. (1992) study (Figure AX6-3). The most probable reason for differences in the triangular O_3 profile observations of Hazucha et al. (1992) and those of Adams (2003a) is that the increase and decrease in Hazucha et al.'s study (i.e., 0 to 0.24 ppm and back to 0) encompassed a much greater range of O_3 concentrations than those used by Adams (2003a), viz., 0.03 ppm to 0.15 ppm from 0 to 3.6 h, then decreasing to 0.05 ppm for the final hour of exposure. Nonetheless, the greatest FEV_1 decrement was observed at 6 h of Hazucha et al.'s 8 h triangular exposure (Figure AX6-3) corresponding to the time when total mean O_3 concentration was highest (0.14 ppm), with a very similar response at 7 h when total mean O_3 concentration was 0.138 ppm.

Whereas FEV_1 decrements during square-wave O_3 exposures between 0.08 to 0.12 ppm tend to increase with time of exposure (i.e., with steadily increasing total inhaled dose), FEV_1 decrements during triangular exposures (Hazucha et al., 1992; Adams, 2003a) occurred 1 to 2 h after the peak O_3 concentration and 1 h to 2 h before the maximal total O_3 inhaled dose occurred at the end of exposure. This difference, especially because O_3 concentration profiles during summer daylight air-pollution episodes rarely mimic a square-wave, implies that triangular O_3 exposure profiles most frequently observed during summer daylight hours merit further investigation. These two studies suggest that depending upon the profile of the exposure, the triangular exposure can potentially lead to higher FEV_1 responses than the square wave exposures at the overall equivalent ozone dose.

AX6.2.5 Mechanisms of Pulmonary Function Responses

Inhalation of O_3 for several hours while physically active elicits both subjective respiratory tract symptoms and acute pathophysiologic changes. The typical symptomatic response consistently reported in studies is that of tracheobronchial airway irritation. This is accompanied by decrements in lung capacities and volumes, bronchoconstriction, airway hyperresponsiveness, airway inflammation, immune system activation, and epithelial injury. The severity of symptoms and the magnitude of response depend on inhaled dose, O_3 sensitivity of an individual and the extent of tolerance resulting from previous exposures. The development of effects is

time dependent during both exposure and recovery periods with considerable overlap of evolving and receding effects.

Exposure to O_3 initiates reflex responses manifested as a decline in spirometric lung function parameters ($\downarrow$FVC, $\downarrow FEV_1$, $\downarrow FEF_{25-75}$), bronchoconstriction ($\uparrow$SRaw) and altered breathing pattern ($\downarrow V_T$, $\uparrow f_B$), which becomes more pronounced as exposure progresses and symptoms of throat irritation, cough, substernal soreness and pain on deep inspiration develop. The spirometric lung function decline and the severity of symptoms during a variable (ramp) exposure profile seem to peak a short time (about 1 to 2 h) following the highest concentration of O_3 (Hazucha et al., 1992; Adams, 2003a). Exposure to a uniform O_3 concentration profile elicits the maximum spirometric response at the end of exposure (Hazucha et al., 1992; Adams, 2003a). Regardless of exposure concentration profile, as the exposure to O_3 progresses, airway inflammation begins to develop and the immune response at both cellular and subcellular level is activated. Airway hyperreactivity develops slower than pulmonary function effects, while neutrophilic inflammation of the airways develops even more slowly and reaches the maximum 3 to 6 h postexposure. The cellular responses (e.g., release of immunoregulatory cytokines) appear to still be active as late as 20 h postexposure (Jörres et al., 2000). Following cessation of exposure, the recovery in terms of breathing pattern, pulmonary function and airway hyperreactivity progresses rapidly and is almost complete within 4 to 6 hours in moderately responsive individuals. Persisting small residual lung function effects are almost completely resolved within 24 hours. Following a 2 h exposure to 0.4 ppm O_3 with IE, Nightingale et al. (2000) observed a 13.5% decrement in FEV_1. By 3 h postexposure, however, only a 2.7% FEV_1 decrement persisted. As illustrated in Figure AX6-4, a similar postexposure recovery in FVC was observed. In hyperresponsive individuals, the recovery takes longer and as much as 48 hours to return to baseline values. More slowly developing inflammatory and cellular changes persist for up to 48 hours. The time sequence, magnitude and the type of responses of this complex series of events, both in terms of development and recovery, indicate that several mechanisms, activated at different times of exposure, must contribute to the overall lung function response (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996).

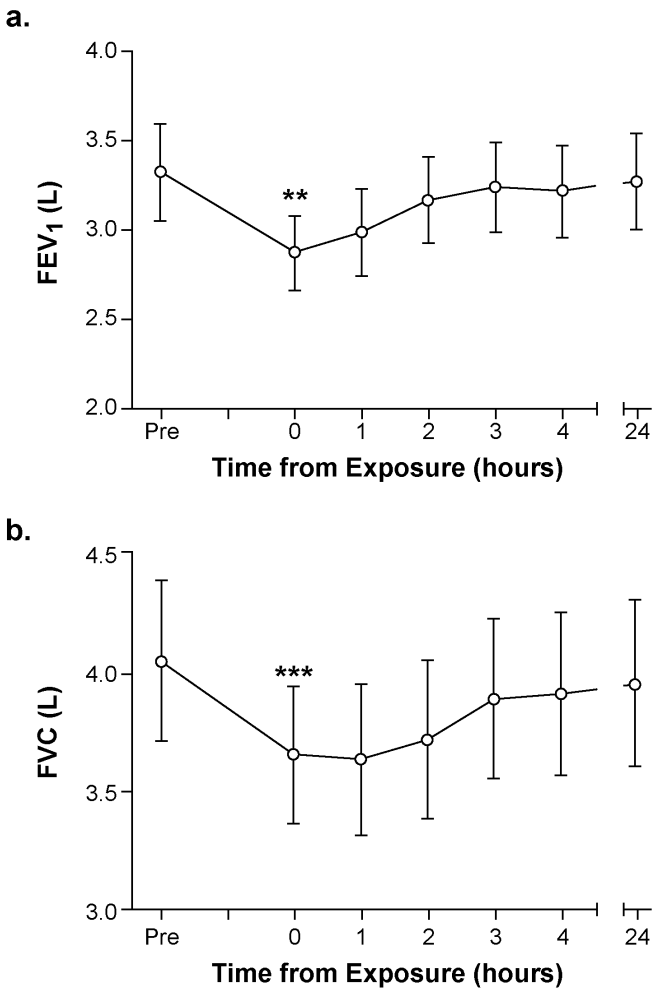

Figure AX6-4a,b. Recovery of spirometric responses following a 2 h exposure to 0.4 ppm O_3 with IE. Immediately postexposure, there were significant decrements (p < 0.001, ***p < 0.0005) in FVC (10%) and FEV_1 (13.5%) compared to preexposure values. At 3 h postexposure, FVC and FEV_1 were at 96 and 97% of preexposure values, respectively.**

Adapted from Nightingale et al. (2000).

AX6.2.5.1 Pathophysiologic Mechanisms

Breathing pattern changes

Human studies consistently report that inhalation of O_3 alters the breathing pattern without significantly affecting minute ventilation. A progressive decrease in tidal volume and a "compensatory" increase in frequency of breathing to maintain steady minute ventilation during

exposure suggests a direct modulation of ventilatory control. These changes parallel a response of many animal species exposed to O_3 and other lower airway irritants (Tepper et al., 1990). Although alteration of a breathing pattern could be to some degree voluntary, the presence of the response in animals and the absence of perception of the pattern change by subjects, even before appearance of the first subjective symptoms of irritation, suggests an involuntary reflex mechanism.

Direct recording from single afferent vagal fibers in animals convincingly demonstrated that bronchial C-fibers and rapidly adapting receptors are the primary vagal afferents responsible for O_3-induced changes in ventilatory rate and depth (Coleridge et al., 1993; Hazucha and Sant'Ambrogio, 1993). In spontaneously breathing dogs, an increase in V_T/T_i (T_i decreased more than V_T) was attributed to an increased inspiratory drive due to stimulation of rapidly adapting receptors and bronchial C-fibers by O_3 (Schelegle et al., 1993). Folinsbee and Hazucha (2000) also observed similar changes in V_T/T_i and other breath-timing parameters in humans exposed to O_3 implying activation of the same mechanisms. They also reported that $Pm_{0.1}$ (pressure at mouth at 0.1 sec of inspiration against a transiently occluded mouthpiece which is considered an index of inspiratory drive) increased during controlled hypercapnia without a change in the slope of $Pm_{0.1}$ versus pCO_2 relation suggesting that the primary mechanism is an increased inspiratory drive. Since no significant within-individual differences in ventilatory response to CO_2 between air exposure and O_3 exposure were found, the CO_2 chemoreceptors did not modulate the response. Therefore, the principal peripheral mechanism modulating changes in breathing pattern appears to be direct and indirect stimulation of lung receptors and bronchial C-fibers by O_3 and/or its oxidative products. The activity of these afferents, centrally integrated with input from other sensory pathways, drives the ventilatory controller, which determines the depth and the frequency of breathing.

The potential modulation of breathing pattern by activation of sensory afferents located in extrathoracic airways by O_3 has not yet been studied in humans. Laboratory animal studies have shown that the larynx, pharynx, and nasal mucosa are densely populated by free-ending, unmyelinated sensory afferents resembling nociceptive C-fibers (Spit et al., 1993; Sekizawa and Tsubone, 1994). They are almost certainly stimulated by O_3 and likely contribute to overall ventilatory and symptomatic responses. Nasal only exposure of rats produced O_3-induced changes in breathing pattern that are similar to changes found in humans (Kleinman et al., 1999).

Symptoms and lung function changes

As already discussed, in addition to changes in ventilatory control, O_3 inhalation by humans will also induce a variety of symptoms, reduce vital capacity (VC) and related functional measures, and increase airway resistance. Hazucha et al. (1989) postulated that a reduction of VC by O_3 is due to a reflex inhibition of inspiration and not due to a voluntary reduction of inspiratory effort. Recently, Schelegle et al. (2001) convincingly demonstrated that a reduction of VC due to O_3 is indeed reflex in origin and not a result of subjective discomfort and consequent premature voluntary termination of inspiration. They reported that inhalation of an aerosolized topical anesthetic tetracaine substantially reduced if not abolished O_3-induced symptoms that are known to be mediated in part by bronchial C-fibers. Yet, such local anesthesia of the upper airway mucosa had a minor and irregular effect on pulmonary function decrements and tachypnea, strongly supporting neural mediation, i.e., stimulation of both bronchial and pulmonary C-fibers, and not voluntary inhibition of inspiration (due to pain) as the key mechanism.

The involvement of nociceptive bronchial C-fibers modulated by opioid receptors in limiting maximal inspiration and eliciting subjective symptoms in humans was studied by Passannante et al. (1998). The authors hypothesized that highly variable responses among individuals might reflect the individual's inability or unwillingness to take a full inspiration. Moreover, development of symptoms of pain on deep inspiration, cough and substernal soreness suggested that nociceptive mechanism(s) might be involved in O_3-induced inhibition of maximal inspiration. If this were so, pain suppression or inhibition by opioid receptor agonists should partially or fully reverse symptoms and lung functional impairment. Subjects for this study were pre-screened with exposure to 0.42 ppm O_3 and classified either as "weak" ($FEV_1 \geq 95\%$ of preexposure value), "strong" ($FEV_1 \leq 85\%$ of preexposure value), or "moderate" responders. Sixty two (28 M, 34 F) healthy volunteers (18 to 59 yrs old), known from the previous screening to be "weak" (n = 20) or "strong" (n = 42) O_3-responders, participated in this double-blind crossover study. Subjects underwent either two 2 h exposures to air, or two 2 h exposures to 0.42 ppm O_3, with 15 min IE at 17.5 l/min/m^2 BSA. Immediately following postexposure spirometry the "weak" responders were given (in random order) either the potent opioid receptor antagonist naloxone (0.15 mg/kg) or saline, while "strong" responders received (in random order) either the potent, rapid-acting opioid agonist and analgesic sufentanil (0.2 μg/kg), or

physiologic saline administered through an indwelling catheter. Administration of saline or naloxone had no significant effect on the relatively small decrements in FEV_1 observed in "weak" responders. However, as hypothesized, sufentanil rapidly reversed both the O_3-induced symptomatic effects and spirometric decrements (FEV_1; $p < 0.0001$) in "strong" responders (Figure AX6-5). All the same, the reversal was not complete and the average post-sufentanil FEV_1 remained significantly below (−7.3%) the preexposure value suggesting involvement of non-opioid receptor modulated mechanisms as well. Uneven suppression of symptoms has implied involvement of both A-δ and bronchial C-fibers. The plasma β-endorphin (a potent pain suppressor) levels, though substantially elevated immediately postexposure and post-drug administration, were not related to individuals' O_3 responsiveness. These observations have demonstrated that nociceptive mechanisms play a key role in modulating O_3-induced inhibition of inspiration. Moreover, these findings are consistent with and further support the concept that the primary mechanism of O_3-induced reduction in inspiratory lung function, is an inhibition of inspiration elicited by stimulation of the C-fibers. The absence of effect of naloxone in "weak" responders shows that the weak response is not due to excessive endorphin production in those individuals. However, other neurogenic mechanisms not modulated by opioid receptors may have some though limited role in inspiratory inhibition.

Airway hyperreactivity

In addition to limitation of maximal inspiration and its effects on other spirometric endpoints, activation of airway sensory afferents also plays a role in receptor-mediated bronchoconstriction and an increase in airway resistance. Despite this common mechanism, post-O_3 pulmonary function changes and either early or late bronchial hyperresponsiveness (BHR) to inhaled aerosolized methacholine or histamine are poorly correlated either in time or magnitude. Fentanyl and indomethacin, the drugs that have been shown to attenuate O_3-induced lung function decrements in humans, did not prevent induction of BHR when administered to guinea pigs prior to O_3 exposure (Yeadon et al., 1992). Neither does post-O_3 BHR seem to be related to airway baseline reactivity. These findings imply that the mechanisms are either not related or are activated independently in time. Animal studies (with limited support from human studies) have suggested that an early post-O_3 BHR is, at least in part, vagally mediated (Freed, 1996) and that stimulation of C-fibers can lead to increased responsiveness of bronchial smooth

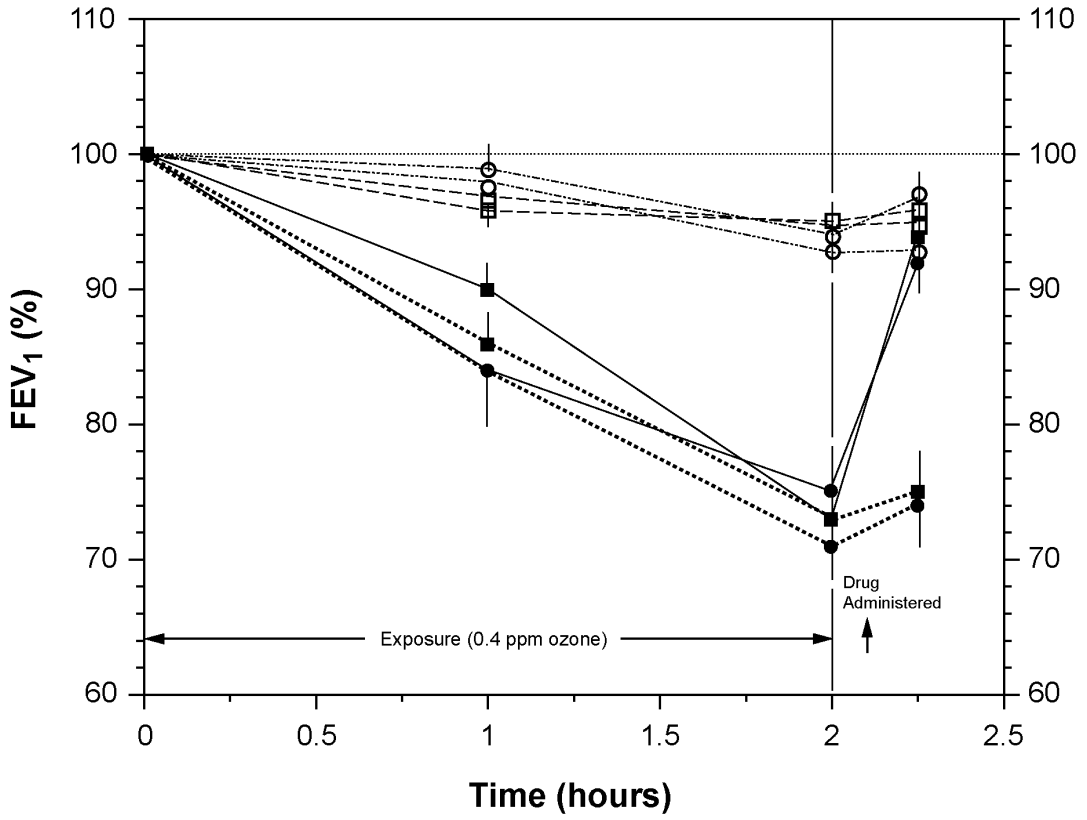

Figure AX6-5. Plot of the mean FEV_1 (% baseline) vs. time for ozone exposed cohorts. Solid lines represent data for "strong" males (n = 14; solid squares) and females (n = 15; solid circles) that received sufentanil and dotted lines represent data for the same cohorts after receiving saline. Dashed lines represent data for "weak" males (n = 5; open squares) and females (n = 10; open circles) that received naloxone and dot-dash lines represent data for the same cohorts after receiving saline. The arrow denotes the time of drug administration (~2.1 hrs). Vertical bars associated with the symbols are one-sided SEM.

Source: Adapted from Passannante et al. (1998).

muscle independently of systemic and inflammatory changes which may be even absent (Joad et al., 1996). In vitro study of isolated human bronchi have reported that O_3-induced airway sensitization involves changes in smooth muscle excitation-contraction coupling (Marthan, 1996). Characteristic O_3-induced inflammatory airway neutrophilia which at one time was considered a leading BHR mechanism, has been found in a murine model to be only coincidentally associated with BHR, i.e., there was no cause and effect relationship (Zhang et al.,

1995). However, this observation does not rule out involvement of other cells such as eosinophils or T-helper cells in BHR modulation. There is some evidence that release of inflammatory mediators by these cells can sustain BHR and bronchoconstriction. In vitro and animal studies have also suggested that airway neutral endopeptidase activity can be a strong modulator of BHR (Marthan et al., 1996; Yeadon et al., 1992). Late BHR observed in some studies is plausibly due to a sustained damage of airway epithelium and continual release of inflammatory mediators (Foster et al., 2000). Thus, O_3-induced BHR appears to be a product of many mechanisms acting at different time periods and levels of the bronchial smooth muscle signaling pathways. [*The effects of O_3 on BHR are described in Section AX6.8.*]

AX6.2.5.2 Mechanisms at a Cellular and Molecular Level

Stimulation of vagal afferents by O_3 and reactive products, the primary mechanism of lung function impairment is enhanced and sustained by what can be considered in this context to be secondary mechanisms activated at a cellular and molecular level. The complexity of these mechanisms is beyond the scope of this section and the reader is directed to Section AX6.9 of this chapter for greater details. A comprehensive review by Mudway and Kelly (2000) discusses the cellular and molecular mechanisms of O_3-induced pulmonary response in great detail.

Neurogenic airway inflammation

Stimulation of bronchial C-fibers by O_3 not only inhibits maximal inspiration but, through local axon reflexes, induces neurogenic inflammation. This pathophysiologic process is characterized by release of tachykinins and other proinflammatory neuropeptides. Ozone exposure has been shown to elevate C-fiber-associated tachykinin substance P in human bronchial lavage fluid (Hazbun et al. 1993) and to deplete neuropeptides synthesized and released from C-fibers in human airway epithelium rich in substance P-immunoreactive axons. Substance P and other transmitters are known to induce granulocyte adhesion and subsequent transposition into the airways, increase vascular permeability and plasma protein extravasation, cause bronchoconstriction, and promote mucus secretion (Solway and Leff, 1991). Although the initial pathways of neurogenic, antigen-induced, and generally immune-mediated inflammation are not the same, they eventually converge leading to further amplification of airway inflammatory processes by subsequent release of cytokines, eicosanoids, and other mediators.

Significantly negative correlations between O_3-induced leukotriene ($LTC_4/D_4/E_4$) production and spirometric decrements (Hazucha et al., 1996), and an increased level of postexposure PGE_2, a mediator known to stimulate bronchial C-fibers, show that these mediators play an important role in attenuation of lung function due to O_3 exposure (Mohammed et al., 1993; Hazucha et al., 1996). Moreover, because the density of bronchial C-fibers is much lower in the small than large airways, the reported post-O_3 dysfunction of small airways assessed by decrement in FEF_{25-75} (Weinman et al., 1995; Frank et al., 2001) may be due in part to inflammation. Also, because of the relative slowness of inflammatory responses as compared to reflex effects, O_3-triggered inflammatory mechanisms are unlikely to initially contribute to progressive lung function reduction. It is plausible, however, that when fully activated, they sustain and possibly further aggravate already impaired lung function. Indeed, a prolonged recovery of residual spirometric decrements following the initial rapid improvement after exposure termination could be due to slowly resolving airway inflammation. Bronchial biopsies performed 6 h postexposure have shown that O_3 caused a significant decrease in immunoreactivity to substance P in the submucosa (Krishna et al., 1997a). A strong negative correlation with FEV_1 also suggests that the release of substance P may be a contributing mechanism to persistent post-O_3 bronchoconstriction (Krishna et al., 1997a). Persistent spirometry changes observed for up to 48 h postexposure could plausibly be sustained by the inflammatory mediators, many of which have bronchoconstrictive properties (Blomberg et al., 1999).

AX6.3 PULMONARY FUNCTION EFFECTS OF OZONE EXPOSURE IN SUBJECTS WITH PREEXISTING DISEASE

This section examines the effects of O_3 exposure on pulmonary function in subjects with preexisting disease by reviewing O_3 exposure studies that utilized subjects with (1) chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), (2) asthma, (3) allergic rhinitis, and (4) ischemic heart disease. Studies of subjects with preexisting disease exposed to O_3, published subsequent to or not included in the 1996 Air Quality Criteria Document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996), are summarized in Table AX6-3. Studies examining increased airway responsiveness after O_3 exposure are discussed in Section AX6.8.

Table AX6-3. Ozone Exposure in Subjects with Preexisting Disease[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Condition	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Subjects with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary or Heart Disease							
0.0 0.24	0 472	4 h IE 15 min exercise 15 min rest $\dot{V}_E \approx 20$ L/min	24 °C 40% RH	9 M 10 M	COPD patients Age-matched healthy NS All subjects 59-71 years old	No significant changes in FEV_1, FVC, or SRaw due to ozone in COPD patients. Equivocal SaO_2 decrement during 2nd and 3rd hours of ozone exposure in COPD patients. Adjusted for exercise, ozone effects did not differ significantly between COPD patients and healthy subjects.	Gong et al. (1997a) Gong and Tierney (1995)
0.3	589	3 h IE $\dot{V}_E \approx 30$ L/min	22 °C 50% RH	10 M 6 M	Hypertension 42-61 years old Healthy 41-49 years old	O_3-induced FEV_1 decrements of 6.7 and 7.6% in healthy and hypertensive subjects, respectively. Significant O_3-induced reductions in alveolar-arterial oxygen tension in both groups. No significant changes in cardiac enzymes or ECG telemetry.	Gong et al. (1998)
Subjects with Allergic Rhinitis							
0.0 0.2	0 392	1 h CE at $\dot{V}_E = 25$ L/min/m² BSA	20 °C 50% RH	13 M, 1 F	Dust mite sensitized asthmatics mean age 29 ± 5 years	FEV_1 decrement following O_3 of 10% not significantly different from the 4% decrement following FA. Subjects received dust mite antigen challenge at 0.5 h FA and O_3 postexposures and were lavaged 6 h post-challenge. Amount of allergen producing 15% FEV_1 decrement was decreased by O_3 compared to FA in 9 of 14 subjects. PMN in proximal airway lavage tended to be greater after O_3 than FA ($p = 0.06$).	Chen et al. (2004)
0.125 0.250 0.125	245 490 245	3h IE (10 min rest, 15 min exercise on bicycle) $\dot{V}_E = 30$ L/min 3h IE × 4 days	27 °C 50 % RH	5 F, 6 M 6 F, 16 M	Mild bronchial asthma 20-53 years old Allergic rhinitis 19-48 years old	Mean early-phase FEV_1 response and number of ≥20% reductions in FEV_1 were significantly greater after 0.25 ppm O_3 or 4 × 0.125 ppm O_3. Most of the ≥15% late-phase FEV_1 responses occurred after 4 days of exposure to 0.125 ppm O_3, as well as significant inflammatory effects, as indicated by increased sputum eosinophils (asthma and allergic rhinitis) and increased sputum lymphocytes, mast cell tryptase, histamine, and LDH (asthma only).	Holz et al. (2002)
0.0 0.25	0 490	3 h IE, $\dot{V}_E = 30$ L/min 15 min ex/10 min rest/5 min no O_3; every 30 min.	27 ˚C 54% RH mouthpiece exposure	13 M, 11 F 6 M, 6 F 5 M, 5 F	Atopic mild asthma Positive allergen and IgE tests Healthy NS	O_3-induced FEV_1 decrements of 12.5, 14.1, and 10.2% in asthmatics, allergic rhinitics and healthy subjects, respectively (group differences not significant). Methacholine responsiveness increased in asthmatics. Allergen responsiveness: increased significantly after O_3 exposure in asthmatics (≈ 2 dose shift) and a smaller shift is rhinitics. No change in healthy. Neither allergen or methacholine response correlated with lung function and were not correlated with each.	Jörres et al. (1996)

Table AX6-3 (cont'd). Ozone Exposure in Subjects with Preexisting Disease[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Subjects with Asthma							
0.4	784	2h IE (15 min rest, 15 min exercise on bicycle) $\dot{V}_E$ = 30 L/min	NA	4 F, 5 M 7 F, 6 M	Healthy (25 ± 2 years old) Mild atopic asthma; beta agonists only (22 ± 0.7 years old)	Significant reductions in FVC (12%, 10%) and FEV_1 (13%, 11%) for asthmatic and healthy subjects, respectively; attenuated by indomethacin in healthy subjects only. Significant reductions in mid-flows which tended to be greater in asthmatics than healthy subjects. Indomethacin treatment attenuated mid-flow-reductions somewhat more in asthmatics than healthy subjects.	Alexis et al. (2000)
0.0 0.4	0 784	2h IE 4 × 15 min on bicycle, $\dot{V}_E$ = 40 L/min	NA	15 9	Healthy adults 18-40 years old Mild atopic asthmatics 18-40 years old	Sputum collected 24 h before and 4-6 h post-O_3 exposure. Baseline CD11b expression positively correlated with O_3-induced PMN. Increased expression of mCD14 on macrophages following O_3 compared to FA. Asthmatic PMN response similar to healthy subjects (also see Table AX6-3). No spirometric data available.	Alexis et al. (2004)
0.12	236	Rest	22 ˚C 40% RH	10 M, 5 F	atopic asthma	No effect of O_3 on airway response to grass allergen.	Ball et al. (1996)
0.0 0.2	0 392	6 h 30 min rest/30 min exercise $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 25 L/min	22 °C 50% RH	5 M 5 M	Healthy NS Asthmatics, physician diagnosed, All 18-45 years	Similar spirometric responses in asthmatic and healthy. However, preexposure FEV1 and FVC were both ~0.4 L lower on O_3-day than FA day. More PMN's in asthmatics. IL-8 and IL-6 higher in asthmatics exposed to O_3. No relationship of spirometry and symptoms to inflammation.	Basha et al. (1994)
0.4	784	3h 6x15 min cycle ergometer $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 32L/min 5 consecutive days	31 ˚C 35% RH	8 M , 2 F	Asthmatic NS adults beta-agonist use only 19-48 years old ATS criteria for asthma	FEV_1 decreased 35% on first exposure day. Methacholine reactivity increased about ten-fold. *Also see Table AX6-7 for repeated exposure results.*	Gong et al. (1997b)
0.0 0.12	0 235	1 h rest air-antigen O_3-antigen	NA	9 M, 6 F	Mild allergic asthma; 18 to 49 years of age.	No effect of O_3 on airway response to grass or ragweed allergen.	Hanania et al. (1998)
0.4	784	2 h IE 15 min exercise 15 min rest $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 20L/min	Head mask exposure ≈18 ˚C 60% RH	5 M, 1 F 6 M	Healthy adults Atopic asthmatics	FEV_1 responses of healthy and asthmatic similar (≈ 15% decrease). Maximal FEV_1 response to methacholine increased similarly in both groups (12 h postexposure). Larger increase in PC_{20} in healthy subjects. Both groups had increased PMN's in sputum no correlation of PMN's and lung function.	Hiltermann et al. (1995)

Table AX6-3 (cont'd). Ozone Exposure in Subjects with Preexisting Disease[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Adult Subjects with Asthma (cont'd)							
0.0 0.15 0.25	0 294 490	3 h IE 15 min rest ($\dot{V}_E$ = 7 L/min)	27 ± 1 °C 56 ± 7 % RH	10M, 11F	Healthy NS 28 ± 5 years old	No significant O_3-induced group differences in symptoms or spirometry. After 0.25 ppm O_3, there were significant decrements in FEV_1 and FVC that tended to be greater in the asthmatics than controls. Small but significant neutrophil increase in asthmatics following 0.15 ppm O_3. Significant neutrophil increases following 0.25 ppm O_3 that did not differ between groups.	Holz et al. (1999)
0.25	490	15 min on bicycle ($\dot{V}_E$ = 26 L/min)		5M, 10F	Mild Asthmatic 30 ± 8 years old		
0.0 0.16	0 314	7.6 h 25 min treadmill, 25 min cycle/10 min rest per hour. $\dot{V}_E$ = 27-32 L/min	18 °C 40% RH	13 M 7 M, 10 F	Healthy NS, age 19-32 years. Moderate Asthmatics, physician diagnosed, beta agonist users, age 19-32 years.	FEV_1 decreased 19% in asthmatics and only 10% in nonasthmatics. High responders had worse baseline airway status. More wheeze in asthmatics after O_3.	Horstman et al. (1995)
0.0 0.25	0 490	3 h IE, $\dot{V}_E$ = 30 L/min 15 min ex/10 min rest/5 min no O_3; every 30 min	27 °C 54% RH mouthpiece exposure	13 M, 11 F 6 M, 6 F 5 M, 5 F	Atopic mild asthma Positive allergen and IgE tests Healthy NS	O_3-induced FEV_1 decrements of 12.5, 14.1, and 10.2% in asthmatics, allergic rhinitics and healthy subjects, respectively (group differences not significant). Methacholine responsiveness increased in asthmatics. Allergen responsiveness increased after O_3 exposure in asthmatics (=2 dose shift), a smaller shift occurred in rhinitics, no change occurred in healthy subjects. Neither allergen nor methacholine responses were correlated with each other or with lung function.	Jörres et al. (1996)
0.16	314	7.6 h 25 min treadmill, 25 min cycle/10 min rest per hour. $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 L/min	22 °C 40 % RH	4 M, 5 F	Mild atopic asthma; no meds 12 h pre-exposure 20-35 years old	Significant FEV_1 decrease of 9.1 % following O_3 exposure; marked individual variability with responses ranging from 2 % to 26 %.	Kehrl et al. (1999)
0.25 0.40	490 784	$\dot{V}_E$ = 25-45 L/min	NA	8 M, 4 F 8 M, 10 F 22 M, 16 F	Asthmatics Allergic rhinitics Healthy adults All <26 years old	Healthy 12.2% decrease in FEV_1, Rhinitics 10.1%, asthmatics 12.4%	Magnussen et al. (1994)
0.0 0.2	0 392	2 h IE 4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m² BSA	20 °C 50% RH	6 M, 9 F 9 M, 6 F	Healthy adults 24 years old Mild asthmatics 29 years old	O_3-induced FEV_1 decrement (8%, healthy adults; 3% asthmatics) and PMN increase (20.6%, healthy adults; 15.2% asthmatics). Primary goal was to investigate relationship between antioxidant defenses and O_3 responses in asthmatics and healthy adults (see Tables AX6-3 andAX6 -13).	Mudway et al. (2001) Stenfors et al. (2002)

Table AX6-3 (cont'd). Ozone Exposure in Subjects with Preexisting Disease[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
Adult Subjects with Asthma (cont'd)							
0.2	396	2h IE (15 min rest, 15 min exercise on bicycle) $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	22 °C 40 % RH	5 F, 4 M	Mild atopic asthma; no meds 8 h pre-exposure 21-42 years old	Significant decrease in FEV_1 and a trend toward decreases in mean inspiratory flow, FEF_{25}, and FEF_{75} after O_3 exposure. No significant differences in FEF_{50}, FVC, TLC, Raw, or sRaw. No correlation between sputum neutrophils at 6 h postexposure and FEV_1 immediately after exposure.	Newson et al. (2000)
0.4	784	2 h rest	21 °C 40% RH	11 M , 11 F	Asthmatics sensitive to D Farinae, physician diagnosed, 18 to 35 years	Ozone resulted in nasal inflammation (increased PMN's) and caused augmented response to nasal allergen challenge.	Peden et al. (1995)
0.16	314	7.6 h 25 min treadmill, 25 min cycle/ every hour.	18 °C 40% RH	8 M	Mild asthmatics, physician diagnosed, reactive to dust mite D. Farinae.	Increased eosinophils and PMN's after O_3 exposure more in initial (bronchial) fraction. No correlation of eosinophils and PMN's, FEV_1 & FVC decreased 14% and 9% respectively.	Peden et al. (1997)
0.0 0.2	0 392	4h 50 min exercise, 10 min rest each hour. $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 45-50 L/min	21 °C 50% RH	12 M, 6 F	18 adult mild asthmatics mostly beta agonist users.	FVC, FEV_1 decreased 17.6% and 25% respectively. Trend for larger increase in SRaw in asthmatics. Larger increase in PMN's and protein in asthmatics indicating more inflammation. No increase in eosinophils. Spirometry changes in asthmatics similar to healthy subjects (Aris et al., 1995; Balmes et al., 1997).	Scannell et al. (1996)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Grouped by rest and exercise; within groups listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.

AX6.3.1 Subjects with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Five studies of O_3-induced responses in COPD patients were available for inclusion in the 1996 criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996). The COPD patients in these studies were exposed during light IE (4 studies) or at rest (1 study) for 1 to 2 hours to O_3 concentrations between 0.1 and 0.3 ppm. None of theses studies found significant O_3-induced changes in pulmonary function. Of the four studies examining arterial oxygen saturation, two reported small but statistically significant O_3-induced decreases in the COPD patients. These limited data suggest COPD patients experience minimal O_3-induced effects for 0.3 ppm O_3 exposures less than 2 hours in duration. These findings are also consistent decreasing O_3 effects with increasing age (*see Section AX6.5.1*).

More recently, Gong et al. (1997a) exposed 9 COPD patients (age range, 59 to 71 years; mean age 66 ± 4 years) and 10 healthy NS (age range, 60 to 69 years; mean age 65 ± 3 years) to 0.24 ppm for 4 h with interment light exercise (≈20 L/min). COPD patients had decreases in FEV_1 following both clean air (−11%, $p = 0.06$) and O_3 (−19%, $p < 0.01$) exposures. These FEV_1 decrements, presumably due to exercise, were primarily attributable to four of the patients who lost greater than 14% of their FEV_1 following both the air and O_3 exposures. Relative to clean air, O_3 caused a statistically insignificant FEV_1 decrement of −8% in COPD patients which was not statistically different from the decrement of −3% in healthy subjects. Ozone-induced symptoms, sRaw, S_aO_2, and postexposure bronchial activity also exhibited little or no difference between the COPD patients and the healthy subjects.

AX6.3.2 Subjects with Asthma

Based on studies reviewed in the 1996 criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) asthmatics appear to be at least as sensitive to acute effects of O_3 as healthy nonasthmatic subjects. At rest, neither adolescent asthmatics nor healthy controls had significant responses as a result of an hour exposure to 0.12 ppm O_3. Exposure of adult asthmatics to 0.25 ppm O_3 for 2 h at rest also caused no significant responses. Preexposure to between 0.10 and 0.25 ppm O_3 for 1 hr with light IE does not appear to exacerbate exercise-induced asthma (Fernandes et al., 1994; Weymer et al., 1994). At higher exposures (0.4 ppm O_3 with heavy IE for 2 h), Kreit et al. (1989) and Eschenbacher et al. (1989) demonstrated significantly

greater FEV_1 and FEF_{25-75} decrements in asthmatics than in healthy controls. With longer duration exposures to lower O_3 levels (0.12 ppm with moderate IE for 6.5 h), asthmatics have also shown a tendency for greater FEV_1 decrements than healthy nonasthmatics (Linn et al., 1994). Newer clinical studies (see Table AX6-3) continue to suggest that asthmatics are at least as sensitive as healthy controls to O_3-induced responses.

Studies of less than 3 h duration have reported similar or tendencies for increased O_3-induced spirometric responses up to O_3 concentrations of 0.4 ppm. Similar group decrements in FEV_1 and FVC were reported by Hiltermann et al. (1995), who exposed 6 asthmatics and 6 healthy subjects to 0.4 ppm O_3 for 2 h with light IE. Alexis et al. (2000) exposed 13 mild atopic asthmatics and 9 healthy subjects for 2 h to 0.4 ppm O_3 with IE ($\dot{V}_E$ = 30 L/min). Similar O_3-induced group decrements in FEV_1 and FVC were also reported by these investigators. A tendency, however, for an increased O_3-induced reduction in mid-flows (viz., FEF_{25}, FEF_{50}, FEF_{60p}, FEF_{75}) was reported for the asthmatics relative to the healthy subjects. In a larger study, Jörres et al. (1996) exposed 24 asthmatics, 12 allergic rhinitis, and 10 healthy subjects to 0.25 ppm O_3 for 3 h with IE. Statistically significant O_3-induced decreases in FEV_1 occurred in all groups, but tended to be lower in healthy controls (allergic rhinitis, −14.1%; asthmatics, −12.5%; healthy controls, −10.2%). Holz et al. (1999) exposed 15 asthmatics and 21 healthy controls to 0.15 and 0.25 ppm O_3 for 3-h with light IE. After the 0.25 ppm O_3 exposure, there were significant decrements in FEV_1 and FVC that tended to be slightly greater in the asthmatics than controls. One study reported that asthmatics tended to have less of an FEV_1 response to O_3 than healthy controls (Mudway et al., 2001). In that study, however, the asthmatics also tended to be older than the healthy subjects which could partially explain their lesser response.

Studies between 4 and 8 h duration, with O_3 concentrations of 0.2 ppm or less, also suggest a tendency for increased O_3-induced pulmonary function responses in asthmatics relative to healthy subjects. Scannell et al. (1996) exposed 18 asthmatics to 0.2 ppm O_3 for 4 h with IE ($\dot{V}_E \approx 25$ L/min/m^2 BSA). Baseline and hourly pulmonary function measurements of FEV_1, FVC, and sRaw were obtained. Asthmatic responses were compared to 81 healthy subjects who underwent similar experimental protocols (Aris et al., 1995; Balmes et al., 1996). Asthmatic subjects experienced a significant O_3-induced increase in sRaw, FEV_1 and FVC. The O_3-induced increase in sRaw tended to be greater in asthmatics than the healthy subjects, whereas similar

group decrements in FEV_1 and FVC were observed. Basha et al. (1994) also reported similar spirometric responses between 5 asthmatic and 5 healthy subjects exposed to 0.2 ppm O_3 for 6 h with IE. However, the mean preexposure FEV_1 in the asthmatics was about 430 mL less (i.e., ~12% decreased) on the O_3-day relative to the air-day. In a longer exposure duration (7.6 h) study, Horstman et al. (1995) exposed 17 asthmatics and 13 healthy controls to 0.16 ppm O_3 or FA with alternating periods of exercise (50 min, $\dot{V}_E \approx 30$ L/min) and rest (10 min). Both groups had significant O_3-induced decrements in FEV_1, FVC, and FEV_{25-75}. The asthmatic and healthy subjects had similar O_3-induced reductions in FVC. The FEV_1 decrement experienced by the asthmatics was significantly greater in the healthy controls (19% versus 10%, respectively). There was also tendency for a greater O_3-induced decrease in FEF_{25-75} in asthmatics relative to the healthy subjects (24% versus 15%, respectively).

With repeated O_3 exposures asthmatics, like healthy subjects (*see Section AX6.6*) develop tolerance. Gong et al. (1997b) exposed 10 asthmatics to 0.4 ppm O_3, 3 h per day with IE ($\dot{V}_E \approx 32$ L/min), for 5 consecutive days. Symptom and spirometric responses were greatest on the first (−35 % FEV_1) and second (−34 % FEV_1) exposure days, and progressively diminished toward baseline levels (−6 % FEV_1) by the fifth exposure day. Similar to healthy subjects, asthmatics lost their tolerance 4 and 7 days later.

Other published studies with similar results (e.g., McBride et al., 1994; Basha et al., 1994; Peden et al., 1995, 1997; Peden, 2001a; Scannell et al., 1996; Hiltermann et al., 1997, 1999; Michelson et al., 1999; Vagaggini et al., 1999; Newson et al., 2000; Holz et al., 2002) also reported that asthmatics have a reproducible and somewhat exaggerated inflammatory response to acute O_3 exposure (*see Section AX6.9*). For instance, Scannell et al. (1996) performed lavages at 18 h post-O_3 exposure to assess inflammatory responses in asthmatics. Asthmatic responses were compared to healthy subjects who underwent a similar experimental protocol (Balmes et al., 1996). Ozone-induced increases in BAL neutrophils and total protein were significantly greater in asthmatics than healthy subjects. There was also a trend for an ozone related increased IL-8 in the asthmatics relative to healthy subjects. Inflammatory responses do not appear to be correlated with lung function responses in either asthmatic or healthy subjects (Balmes et al., 1996, 1997; Holz et al., 1999). This lack of correlations between inflammatory and spirometric responses may be due to differences in the time kinetics of these responses (Stenfors et al.,

2002). In addition, airway responsiveness to inhaled allergens is increased by O_3 exposure in subjects with allergic asthma for up to 24 h (*see Section AX6.8*).

One of the difficulties in comparing O_3-induced spirometric responses of healthy subjects versus asthmatics is the variability in responsiveness of asthmatics. Most of the asthma studies were conducted on subjects with a clinical history of mild disease. However, classification of asthma severity is not only based on functional assessment (e.g., percent predicted FEV_1), but also on clinical symptoms, signs, and medication use (Table AX6-4). Although "mild atopic asthmatics" are frequently targeted as an experimental group, the criteria for classification has varied considerably within and across the available published studies. Although the magnitude of group mean changes in spirometry may not be significantly different between healthy and asthmatic subjects, many of the studies have reported clinically significant changes in some individuals.

Alexis et al. (2000) explored the possibility that the mechanisms of O_3-induced spirometric responses may differ between asthmatics and healthy subjects. Physician-diagnosed mild atopic asthmatics and healthy subjects were pretreated with 75 mg/day of indomethacin (a COX inhibitor) or placebo and then exposed for 2 h to 0.4 ppm O_3 or to FA during mild IE ($\dot{V}_E$ = 30 L/m). The number and severity of O_3-induced symptoms were significantly increased in both asthmatics and healthy subjects. These symptom responses were similar between the subject groups and unaffected by indomethacin pretreatment. Asthmatics and healthy subjects also had similar O_3-induced reductions in FVC and FEV_1. These restrictive-type responses, occurring due to the combined effects of bronchoconstriction and reflex inhibition of inspiration (*see Section AX6.2.1*), were attenuated by indomethacin in the healthy subjects but not the asthmatics. Thus, in healthy subjects but not asthmatics, COX metabolites may contribute to O_3-induced reductions in FVC and FEV_1. As assessed by the magnitude of reductions in mid-flows (viz. FEF_{25}, FEF_{50}, FEF_{60p}, FEF_{75}), the small airways of the asthmatics tended to be more affected than the healthy subjects. This suggests asthmatics may be more sensitive to small airway effects of O_3, which is consistent with the observed increases in inflammation and airway responsiveness. Indomethacin pretreatment attenuated some of these O_3-induced small airways effects (FEF_{50} in healthy subjects, FEF_{60p} in asthmatics).

Table AX6-4. Classification of Asthma Severity[1]

Classification	Step	Days with symptoms	Nights with symptoms	Lung Function[2]		Medications[3]	
				FEV1 or PEF % predicted oral	PEF variability (%)	Daily	Quick relief
Severe persistent	4	Continual	Frequent	≤60	>30	High-dose inhaled steroids (ICS) and long-acting inhaled β2-agonist If needed, add oral steroids	Short-acting inhaled β2-agonist, as needed; oral steroids may be required
Moderate persistent	3	Daily	>1/week	between 60 and 80	>30	Low-to-medium-dose ICS and long-acting β2-agonist (preferred) Or Medium-dose ICS (another preferred option for children ages <5 years) Or Low-to-medium-dose ICS and either leukotriene modifier or theophylline	Short-acting inhaled β2-agonist, as needed; oral steroids may be required
Mild persistent	2	>2/week, but <1 time/day	>2/week	≥80	20-30	Low-dose inhaled steroids (preferred) Or Cromolyn leukotriene modifier, or (except for children aged <5 years) nedocromil or sustained release theophylline to serum concentration of 5-15 µg/mL	Short-acting inhaled β2-agonist, as needed; oral steroids may be required
Mild intermittent	1	≤2/week	<2/month	≥80	<20	No daily medicine needed	Short-acting inhaled β2-agonist, as needed; oral steroids may be required

[1] Sources: Centers for Disease Control (2003); National Institutes of Health (1997, 2003).
[2] For adults and children aged >5 years who can use a spirometer or peak flow meter.
[3] The medications listed here are appropriate for treating asthma at different levels of severity. The preferred treatments, dosage, and type of medication recommended vary for adults and children and are detailed in the *EPR-Update 2002* stepwise approach to therapy. The stepwise approach emphasizes that therapy should be stepped up as necessary and stepped down when possible to identify the least amount of medication required to achieve goals of therapy. The stepwise approach to care is intended to assist, not replace, the clinical decision-making required to meet individual patient needs.

AX6.3.3 Subjects with Allergic Rhinitis

Most O_3 exposure studies in humans with existing respiratory disease have focused on lung diseases like COPD and asthma. However, chronic inflammatory disorders of the nasal airway, especially allergic rhinitis, are very common in the population. People with allergic rhinitis have genetic risk factors for the development of atopy that predispose them to increased upper airway responsiveness to specific allergens as well as nonspecific air pollutants like O_3. Studies demonstrating the interaction between air pollutants and allergic processes in the human nasal airways and rhinoconjunctival tissue have been reviewed by Peden (2001b) and Riediker et al. (2001), respectively. Ozone exposure of subjects with allergic rhinitis has been shown to induce nasal inflammation and increase airway responsiveness to nonspecific bronchoconstrictors, although to a lesser degree than experienced by asthmatics.

McDonnell et al. (1987) exposed nonasthmatic adults with allergic rhinitis to 0.18 ppm O_3. The allergic rhinitics were no more responsive to O_3 than healthy controls, based on symptoms, spirometry, or airway reactivity to histamine although they had a small but significantly greater increase in SRaw. The data on subjects with allergic rhinitis and asthmatic subjects suggest that both of these groups have a greater rise in Raw to O_3 with a relative order of airway responsiveness to O_3 being normal < allergic < asthmatic.

Bascom et al. (1990) studied the upper respiratory response to acute O_3 inhalation, nasal challenge with antigen, and the combination of O_3 plus antigen in subjects with allergic rhinitis. Exposure to O_3 caused significant increases in upper and lower airway symptoms, a mixed inflammatory cell influx with a seven-fold increase in nasal lavage PMNs, a 20-fold increase in eosinophils, and a 10-fold increase in mononuclear cells, as well as an apparent sloughing of epithelial cells. McBride et al. (1994) also observed increased nasal PMN's after O_3 exposure in atopic asthmatics. Peden et al. (1995), who studied allergic asthmatics exposed to O_3, found that O_3 causes an increased response to nasal allergen challenge in addition to nasal inflammatory responses. Their data suggested that allergic subjects have an increased immediate response to allergen after O_3 exposure. In a follow-up study, Michelson et al. (1999) reported that 0.4 ppm O_3 did not promote early-phase-response mediator release or enhance the response to allergen challenge in the nasal airways of mild, asymptomatic dust mite-sensitive asthmatic subjects. Ozone did, however, promote an inflammatory cell influx, which helps induce a more significant late-phase response in this population.

Jörres et al. (1996) found that O_3 causes an increased response to bronchial allergen challenge in subjects with allergic rhinitis. This study also compared responses in subjects with mild allergic asthma (*see Sections AX6.3.2 and AX6.8*). The subjects were exposed to 0.25 ppm O_3 for 3 h with IE. Airway responsiveness to methacholine was determined 1 h before and after exposure; responsiveness to allergen was determined 3 h after exposure. Statistically significant decreases in FEV_1 occurred in subjects with allergic rhinitis (13.8%) and allergic asthma (10.6%), and in healthy controls (7.3%). Methacholine responsiveness was statistically increased in asthmatics, but not in subjects with allergic rhinitis. Airway responsiveness to an individual's historical allergen (either grass and birch pollen, house dust mite, or animal dander) was significantly increased after O_3 exposure when compared to FA exposure. In subjects with asthma and allergic rhinitis, a maximum percent fall in FEV_1 of 27.9 % and 7.8%, respectively, occurred 3 days after O_3 exposure when they were challenged with of the highest common dose of allergen. The authors concluded that subjects with allergic rhinitis, but without asthma, could be at risk if a high O_3 exposure is followed by a high dose of allergen.

Holz et al. (2002) extended the results of Jörres et al. (1996) by demonstrating that repeated daily exposure to lower concentrations of O_3 (0.125 ppm for 4 days) causes an increased response to bronchial allergen challenge in subjects with preexisting allergic airway disease, with or without asthma. There was no major difference in the pattern of bronchial allergen response between subjects with asthma or rhinitis, except for a 10-fold increase in the dose of allergen required to elicit a similar response ($\geq$20% decrease in FEV_1) in the asthmatic subjects. Early phase responses were more consistent in subjects with rhinitis and late-phase responses were more pronounced in subjects with asthma. There also was a tendency towards a greater effect of O_3 in subjects with greater baseline response to specific allergens chosen on the basis of skin prick test and history (viz., grass, rye, birch, or alder pollen, house dust mite, or animal dander). These data suggest that the presence of allergic bronchial sensitization, but not a history of asthma, is a key determinant of increased airway allergen responsiveness with O_3. [*A more complete discussion of airway responsiveness is found in Section AX6.8*]

AX6.3.4 Subjects with Cardiovascular Disease

Superko et al. (1984) exposed six middle-aged males with angina-symptom-limited exercise tolerance for 40 min to FA and to 0.2 and 0.3 ppm O_3 while they were exercising

continuously according to a protocol simulating their angina-symptom-limited exercise training prescription (mean $\dot{V}_E$ = 35 L/min). No significant pulmonary function impairment or evidence of cardiovascular strain induced by O_3 inhalation was observed. Gong et al. (1998) exposed hypertensive (n = 10) and healthy (n = 6) adult males, 41 to 78 years of age, to FA and on the subsequent day to 0.3 ppm O_3 for 3 h with IE at 30 L/min. The ECG was monitored by telemetry, blood pressure by cuff measurement, and a venous catheter was inserted for measurement of routing blood chemistries and cardiac enzymes. Pulmonary artery and radial artery catheters were placed percutaneously for additional blood sampling and for measurement of hemodynamic pressures, cardiac output, and S_aO_2. Other hemodynamic variables were calculated, including cardiac index, stroke volume, pulmonary and systemic vascular resistance, left and right ventricular stroke-work indices, and rate-pressure product. Spirometric volumes (FVC, FEV_1) and symptoms of breathing discomfort were measured before and after the O_3 exposures. There were significant O_3-induced FEV_1 decrements in both subject groups that did not defer between groups (hypertensive, 7.6%; healthy, 6.7%). The overall results did not indicate any major acute cardiovascular effects of O_3 in either the hypertensive or normal subjects. However, statistically significant O_3 effects for both groups combined were increases in HR, rate-pressure product, and the alveolar-to-arterial PO_2 gradient, suggesting that impaired gas exchange was being compensated for by increased myocardial work. These effects might be more important in some patients with severe cardiovascular disease. *[See Section AX6.10 for discussion of extrapulmonary effects of O_3 exposure.]*

AX6.4 INTERSUBJECT VARIABILITY AND REPRODUCIBILITY OF RESPONSE

Analysis of the factors that contribute to intersubject variability is important for the understanding of individual responses, mechanisms of response, and health risks associated with acute O_3 exposures. Bates et al. (1972) noted that variation between individuals in sensitivity and response was evident in respiratory symptoms and pulmonary function following O_3 exposure. A large degree of intersubject variability in response to O_3 has been consistently reported in the literature (Adams et al., 1981; Aris et al., 1995; Folinsbee et al., 1978; Kulle et al., 1985; McDonnell et al., 1983). Kulle et al. (1985) noted that the magnitude of variability

between individuals in FEV_1 responses increases with O_3 concentration. Similarly, McDonnell et al. (1983) observed FEV_1 decrements ranging from 3 to 48% (mean 18%) in 29 young adult males exposed to 0.40 ppm O_3 for 2 h during heavy IE. At a lower O_3 concentration of 0.18 ppm, 20 similarly exposed subjects had FEV_1 decrements ranging from 0 o 23% (mean = 6%), while those exposed to FA (n = 20) had decrements ranging from −2% to 6% (mean = 1%) (McDonnell et al., 1983). All of the subjects in these studies were young adult males. (*Intersubject variability related to age and gender is discussed in Sections AX6.5.1 and AX6.5.2, respectively*.)

More recently, McDonnell (1996) examined the FEV_1 response data from three 6.6 h exposure studies of young adult males conducted at the EPA Health Effects Research Laboratory in Chapel Hill, NC (Folinsbee et al., 1988; Horstman et al., 1990; McDonnell et al., 1991). The response distributions for subjects at each of four O_3 concentrations (0.0, 0.08, 0.10, and 0.12 ppm) are illustrated in Figure AX6-6. It is apparent that the FEV_1 responses in FA are small with most tightly grouped around zero. With increasing O_3 concentration, the mean response increases as does the variability about the mean. At higher O_3 concentrations, the distribution of response becomes asymmetric with a few individuals experiencing large FEV_1 decrements. The response distribution in Figure AX6-6 allows estimates of the number or percentage of subjects responding in excess of a certain level. With FA exposure, none of 87 subjects had a FEV_1 decrement in excess of 10%; however, 26%, 31%, and 46% exceeded a 10% decrement at 0.08, 0.10, and 0.12 ppm, respectively. FEV_1 decrements as large as 30 to 50% were even observed in some individuals. In 6.6-h face mask exposures of young adults (half women) to 0.08 ppm O_3, Adams (2002) found that 6 of 30 subjects (20%) had >10% decrements in FEV_1. The response distributions in Figure AX6-6 underlines the wide range of response to O_3 under prolonged exposure conditions and reinforces the observations by others consequent to 2 h IE exposures at higher O_3 concentrations (Horvath et al.,1981; McDonnell et al., 1983).

Some of the intersubject variability in response to O_3 inhalation may be due to intrasubject variability, i.e., how reproducible the measured responses are in an individual between several O_3 exposures. The more reproducible the subject's response, the more precisely it indicates his/her intrinsic responsiveness. McDonnell et al. (1985a) examined the reproducibility of individual responses to O_3 in healthy human subjects (n = 32) who underwent repeated

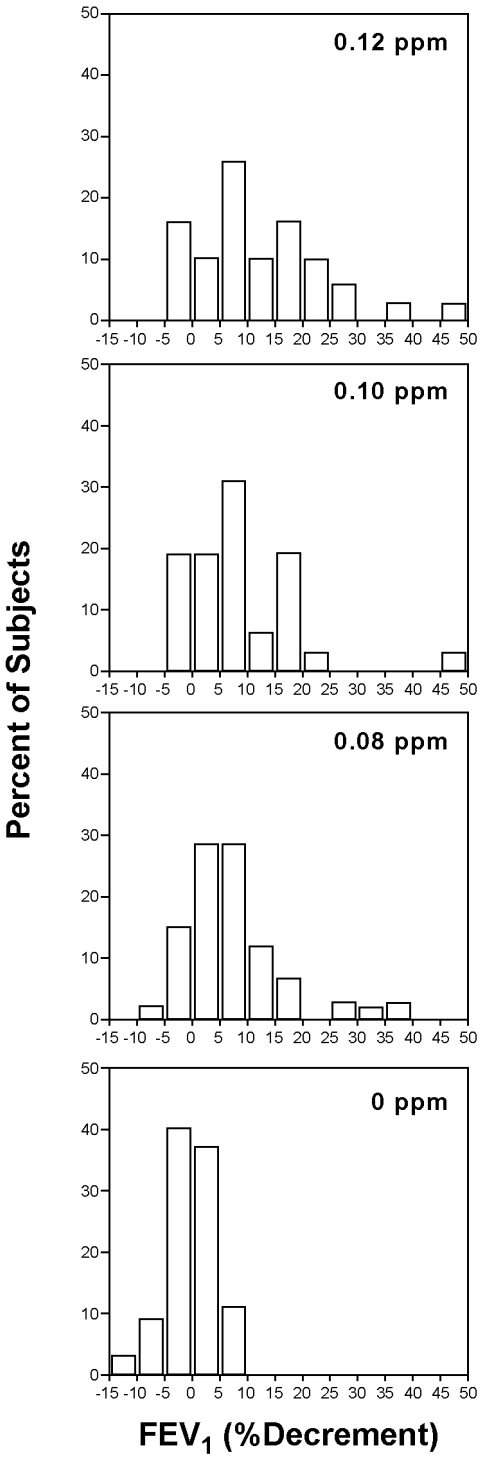

Figure AX6-6. Frequency distributions of percent decrements in FEV_1 for 6.6-h exposure to four concentrations of ozone.

Source: McDonnell (1996).

exposures within a period of 21 to 385 days (mean = 88 days; no median reported) at one of five O_3 concentrations ranging from 0.12 to 0.40 ppm. Reproducibility was assessed using the intraclass correlation coefficient (R). The most reproducible responses studied were FVC (R = 0.92) and FEV_1 (R = 0.91). However, at the lowest concentration, 0.12 ppm, relatively poor FEV_1 reproducibility was observed (R = 0.58) due, in part, to a lack of specific O_3 response or a uniformly small response in the majority of subjects. McDonnell et al. (1985a) concluded that for 2 h IE O_3 exposures equal to or greater than 0.18 ppm, the intersubject differences in magnitude of change in FVC and FEV_1 are quite reproducible over time and likely due to differences in intrinsic responsiveness of individual subjects. Hazucha et al. (2003) exposed 47 subjects on three occasions for 1.5 h, with moderate intensity IE, to 0.40 to 0.42 ppm O_3. Reproducibility of FEV_1 responses was related to the length of time between re-exposures, with a Spearman correlation R of 0.54 obtained between responses for exposures 1 and 2 (median = 105 days), and an R of 0.85 between responses for exposures 2 and 3 (median = 7 days).

Identification of mechanisms of response and health risks associated with acute O_3 exposures are complicated by a poor association between various O_3-induced responses. For example, McDonnell et al. (1983) observed a very low correlation between changes in sRaw and FVC ($r = -0.16$) for 135 subjects exposed to O_3 concentrations ranging from 0.12 to 0.40 ppm for 2.5 h with IE. In a retrospective study of 485 male subjects (ages 18 to 36 yrs) exposed for 2 h to one of six O_3 concentrations at one of three activity levels, McDonnell et al. (1999) observed significant, but low, Spearman rank order correlations between FEV_1 response and symptoms of cough (R = 0.39), shortness of breath (R = 0.41), and pain on deep inspiration (R = 0.30). The authors concluded from their data that the O_3-induced responses are related mechanistically to some degree, but that there is not a single factor which is responsible for the observed individual differences in O_3 responsiveness across the spectrum of symptom and lung function responses. This conclusion is supported by differences in reproducibility observed by McDonnell et al., (1985a). Compared to the intraclass correlation coefficient for FEV_1 (R = 0.91), relatively low but statistically significant R values for symptoms ranged from 0.37 to 0.77, with that for sRaw being 0.54. The reproducibility correlations for f_B ($R = -0.20$) and V_T ($R = -0.03$) were not statistically significant.

The effect of this large intersubject variability on the ability to predict individual responsiveness to O_3 was demonstrated by McDonnell et al. (1993). These investigators analyzed the data of 290 male subjects (18 to 32 years of age) who underwent repeat 2 h IE exposures to one or more O_3 concentrations ranging from 0.12 to 0.40 ppm in order to identify personal characteristics (i.e., age, height, baseline pulmonary functions, presence of allergies, and past smoking history) that might predict individual differences in FEV_1 response. Only age contributed significantly to intersubject responsiveness (younger subjects were more responsive), accounting for just 4% of the observed variance. Interestingly, O_3 concentration accounted for only 31% of the variance, strongly suggesting the importance of as yet undefined individual characteristics that determine FEV_1 responsiveness to O_3. A more general form of this model was developed to investigate the O_3 exposure FEV_1 response relationship (McDonnell et al., 1997). These authors used data from 485 male subjects (age = 18 to 36 years) exposed once for 2 h to one of six O_3 concentrations (ranging from 0.0 to 0.40 ppm) at one of 3 activity levels (rest, n = 78; moderate IE, n = 92; or heavy IE, n = 314). In addition to investigating the influence of subject's age, the model focused on determining whether FEV_1 response was more sensitive to changes in C than to changes in $\dot{V}_E$, and whether the magnitude of responses is independent of differences in lung size. It was found that the unweighted proportion of the variability in individual responses explained by C, $\dot{V}_E$, T, and age was 41%, with no evidence that the sensitivity of FEV_1 response to $\dot{V}_E$ was different than changes in C, and no evidence that magnitude of response was related to measures of body or lung size. The authors concluded that much inter-individual variability in FEV_1 response to O_3 remains unexplained.

AX6.5 INFLUENCE OF AGE, GENDER, ETHNIC, ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER FACTORS

AX6.5.1 Influence of Age

On the basis of results reported from epidemiologic studies, children and adolescents are considered to be at increased risk, but not necessarily more responsive, to ambient oxidants than adults. However, findings of controlled laboratory studies that have examined the acute effects of O_3 on children and adolescents do not completely support this assertion (Table AX6-5). Children experience about the same decrements in spirometric endpoints as young adults

Table AX6-5. Age Differences in Pulmonary Function Responses to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.40 0.42	784 823	2 h IE (15' ex/15' rest) $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 33-45 L/min (47 subjects only) 1.5 h IE (20' ex/10' rest) $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 33-45 L/min (All subjects)	≈22 °C 40% RH treadmill	146 M 94 F	Healthy NS 18 to 60 years old	Young individuals of both gender (<35 years) significantly more responsive than older subjects. Strong responses are less common over the age of 35 years, especially in women. The variability of an individual's responsiveness to repeated exposures to O_3 decreases with age.	Hazucha et al. (2003)
0.0 0.40	0 784	2 h, IE (15' ex/15' rest) $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 18 L/min/m² BSA 2 exposures: 25% of subj. exposed to air-air, 75% exposed to O_3-O_3	21 °C 40% RH treadmill	28 M 34 F	Healthy NS 18 to 57 years old Healthy NS 18 to 59 years old	Significant decrements in spirometric lung function in all groups. Young males and females (<35 years) were significantly more responsive than older individuals (>35 years).	Passannante et al. (1998)
0.0 0.24	0 470	4 h, IE (15' ex/15' rest) $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min	24 °C 40% RH	10 M 9 M	Healthy NS 60 to 69 years old COPD 59 to 71 years old	Healthy: small, 3.3%, decline in FEV_1 (p = 0.03 [not reported in paper], paired-t on O_3 versus FA pre-post FEV_1). COPD: 8% decline in FEV_1 (p = ns, O_3 versus FA). Adjusted for exercise, ozone effects did not differ significantly between COPD patients and healthy subjects.	Gong et al. (1997a)
0.0 0.12 0.18 0.24 0.30 0.40	0 235 353 471 589 784	2 h rest or IE (4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 or 35 L/min/m² BSA)	22 °C 40% RH	485 WM (each subject exposed at one activity level to one O_3 concentration)	Healthy NS 18 to 36 years old mean age 24 years	Statistical analysis of 8 experimental chamber studies conducted between 1980 and 1993 by the U.S. EPA in Chapel Hill, NC. O_3-induced decrement in FEV_1 predicted to decrease with age. FEV_1 response of a 30 year old predicted to be 50% the response of a 20 year old. *Also see Table 6-1*	McDonnell et al. (1997)
0.0 0.12 0.18 0.24 0.30 0.40	0 235 353 471 589 784	2.33 h IE (4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 L/min/m² BSA)	22 °C 40% RH	371 (WM, BM, WF, BF; ~25% per group) each subject exposed to one O_3 concentration	Healthy NS 18 to 35 years old mean age 24 years	Statistical analysis of experimental data collected between 1983 and 1990 by the U.S. EPA in Chapel Hill, NC. O_3-induced decrement in FEV_1 predicted to decrease with age. FEV_1 response of a 30 year old predicted to be 65% the response of a 20 year old. No effect of menstrual cycle phase on FEV_1 response. Inconsistent effect of social economic status on FEV_1 response.	Seal et al. (1996)

Table AX6-5 (cont'd). Age Differences in Pulmonary Function Responses to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m³						
0.18 0.24 0.30 0.40	353 470 588 784	2.33 h IE $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m² BSA	NA	48 WF, 55 BF	Healthy NS, 18 to 35 years old, black and white	Older women had smaller changes in FEV_1 than younger women. No age- related differences in SRaw or cough score.	Seal et al. (1993)
0.45	882	1 h, CE $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 26 L/min 2 h, IE $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 26 L/min	≈23 °C 58% RH cycle/treadmill	7 M 5 F	Healthy NS, 60 to 79 years old (all in 60s except one 79 years old)	Comparison of 1-h CE protocol and 2-h IE protocol indicated no difference between the changes in pulmonary function following the two protocols.	Drechsler-Parks et al. (1990)
0.45	882	2 h, IE (20' ex/20' rest) Male: $\dot{V}_E$ = 28.5 L/min Female: $\dot{V}_E$ = 26.1 L/min	23 °C 46% RH cycle/treadmill	10 M, 6 F	Healthy NS, 60 to 89 years old	Mean decrement in FEV_1 = 5.7%; eight subjects had a 5% or greater difference between their response to O_3 and FA, and the other eight had less than a 5% difference between their responses to FA and 0.45 ppm O_3.	Bedi et al. (1989)
0.45	882	2 h, IE (20' ex/20' rest) $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 26 L/min	≈24 °C 63% RH cycle	8 M 8 F	Healthy NS, 51 to 69 years old Healthy NS, 56 to 76 years old	13 subjects had decrements in FEV_1 on three separate exposures to 0.45 ppm within 5% of their mean response to the three exposures. The other three subjects were not reproducible. Symptom reports did not correlate well with pulmonary function changes.	Bedi et al. (1988)
0.12	235	1 h IE (mouthpiece) $\dot{V}_E$ = 4 to 5 × resting	22 °C 75% RH treadmill	5 M, 7 F	Healthy NS, 12 to 17 years old	No significant changes in any pulmonary function in healthy subjects.	Koenig et al. (1988)
0.20 0.30	392 588	1 h (mouthpiece) 50' rest/10' ex for first 7 males, 20' rest/10' ex for remaining subjects Male: $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 29 L/min Female: $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 23 L/min	≈22 °C ≥75% RH treadmill	9 M, 10 F	Healthy NS, 55 to 74 years old	No spirometic changes for either group. Females had 13% increase in R_T at 3 and 22 min after 0.30-ppm exposure.	Reisenauer et al. (1988)
0.113[c] + other ambient pollutants	221	1 h CE (bicycle) $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 22 L/min	32.7 °C ≈43% RH cycle	33 M, 33 F	NS for both groups, mean age = 9.4 years old	No differences in responses of boys and girls. Similar decrements (<5% on average) following both purified air and ambient air (O_3 at 0.11 ppm) exposures.	Avol et al. (1987)

Table AX6-5 (cont'd). Age Differences in Pulmonary Function Responses to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.45	882	2 h, IE (20' ex/20' rest) $\dot{V}_E \approx 26$ L/min	≈23 °C 53% RH cycle	8 M, 8 F	Healthy NS, 51 to 76 years old	Mean decrement in $FEV_1 = 5.6 \pm 13\%$; range of decrements = 0 to 12%.	Drechsler-Parks et al. (1987a,b)
0.12	235	40 min (mouthpiece) IE, 10 min exercise at $\dot{V}_E = 32.6$ L/min	NA treadmill	3 M, 7 F	Healthy NS, 14 to 19 years old	No significant change in FEV_1; increased R_T with exposure to 0.18 ppm O_3. Some subjects responded to 5 to 10 mg/mL methacholine after 0.18-ppm O_3 exposure, whereas none responded to 25 mg/mL methacholine at baseline bronchochallenge.	Koenig et al. (1987)
0.18	353	40 min (mouthpiece) IE, 10 min exercise at $\dot{V}_E = 41.3$ L/min		4 M, 6 F			

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.
[c]Ozone concentration is the mean of a range of ambient concentrations.

exposed to comparable O_3 doses (McDonnell et al., 1985b; Avol et al., 1987). In contrast to young adults, however, they had no symptomatic response, which may put them at an increased risk for continued exposure. Similarly, young adults (Linn et al., 1986; Avol et al., 1984) have shown comparable spirometric function response when exposed to low O_3 dose under similar conditions. Among adults, however, it has been repeatedly demonstrated that older individuals respond to O_3 inhalation with less intense lung function changes than younger adults. Thus, children, adolescents, and young adults appear to be about equally responsive to O_3, but more responsive than middle-aged and older adults when exposed to a comparable dose of O_3 (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996).

Gong et al. (1997a) studied ten healthy men (60 to 69 years old) and nine COPD patients (59 to 71 years old) from the Los Angeles area who were exposed to 0.24 ppm O_3 while intermittently exercising every 15 min at a light load (~20 L/min) for 4 h. Healthy subjects showed a small but significant O_3-induced FEV_1 decrement of 3.3% ($p = 0.03$ [not reported in paper] paired-t on O_3 versus FA pre-post FEV_1)[2]. Small but statistically nonsignificant changes were also observed for respiratory symptoms, airway resistance and arterial O_2 saturation. In the COPD patients, there was an 8% FEV_1 decrement due to O_3 exposure which was not significantly different from the response in the healthy subjects. The authors have concluded that typical ambient concentrations of O_3 are unlikely to induce "a clinically significant acute lung dysfunction" in exposed older men. However, they also acknowledged that the "worst case" scenario of O_3 exposure used in their study causes acute spirometric responses.

Although Gong et al. (1997a) and others (see Table 6-5) have examined responses to O_3 exposure in subjects of various ages, the exposure conditions differ between most studies so that age effects remain uncertain. Three recent studies, which analyzed large data sets ($\geq$240 subjects) of similarly exposed subjects, show clearly discernable changes in FEV_1 responses to O_3 as a function of age.

Seal et al. (1996) analyzed O_3-induced spirometric responses in 371 young nonsmokers (18 to 35 years of age). The subject population was approximately 25% white males, 25% white females, 25% black males, and 25% black females. Each subject was exposed once to 0.0, 0.12,

[2]Personal communication from authors, correction to Table 2 in Gong et al. (1997a), the $\%FEV_1$ change at the end of the ozone exposure for subject ID 2195 should read 4.9 and not the published value of −4.3, the mean and standard deviation reported in the table are correct.

0.18, 0.24, 0.30, or 0.40 ppm ozone for 2.3 h during IE at a $\dot{V}_E$ of 25 L/min/m^2 BSA. A logistic function was used to model and test the significance of age, socioeconomic status (SES), and menstrual cycle phase as predictors of FEV_1 response to O_3 exposure. Menstrual cycle phase was not a significant. SES was inconsistent with the greatest response observed in the medium SES and the lowest response in high SES. FEV_1 responses decreased with subject age. On average, regardless of the O_3 concentration, the response of 25, 30, and 35 year old individuals are predicted to be 83, 65, and 48% (respectively) of the response in 20 year olds. For example, in 20 year old exposed to 0.12 ppm ozone (2.3 h IE, $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 L/min/m^2 BSA) a 5.4% decrement in FEV_1 is predicted, whereas, a similarly exposed 35 yr old is only predicted to have a 2.6% decrement. The Seal et al. (1996) model is limited to predicting FEV_1 responses immediately postexposure in individuals exposed for 2.3 h during IE at a $\dot{V}_E$ of 25 L/min/m^2 BSA.

McDonnell et al. (1997) examined FEV_1 responses in 485 healthy white males (18 to 36 years of age) exposed once for 2 h to an O_3 concentration of 0.0, 0.12, 0.18, 0.24, 0.30, or 0.40 ppm at rest or one of two levels of IE ($\dot{V}_E$ of 25 and 35 L/min/m^2 BSA). FEV_1 was measured preexposure, after 1 h of exposure, and immediately postexposure. Decrements in FEV_1 were modeled by sigmoid-shaped curve as a function of subject age, O_3 concentration, $\dot{V}_E$, and duration of exposure. Regardless of the O_3 concentration or duration of exposure, the average responses of 25, 30, and 35 year old individuals are predicted to be 69, 48, and 33% (respectively) of the response in 20 year olds. The McDonnell et al. (1997) model is best suited to predicting FEV_1 responses in while males exposed to O_3 for 2 h or less under IE conditions.

Hazucha et al. (2003) analyzed the distribution of O_3 responsiveness in subjects (146 M, 94 F) between 18 and 60 years of age. Subjects were exposed to 0.42 ppm O_3 for 1.5 h with IE at $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA. Figure AX6-7 illustrates FEV_1 responses to O_3 exposure as a function of subject age. Consistent with the discussion in Section 6.4, a large degree of intersubject variability is evident in Figure AX6-7. Across all ages, 18% of subjects were weak responders ($\leq$5% FEV_1 decrement), 39% were moderate responders, and 43% were strong responders ($\geq$15% FEV_1 decrement). Younger subjects ($\leq$35 years of age) were predominately strong responders, whereas, older subjects (>35 years of age) were mainly weak responders. In males, the FEV_1 responses of 25, 35, and 50 year olds are predicted to be 94, 83, and 50% (respectively) of the average response in 20 year olds. In females, the FEV_1 responses of 25, 35,

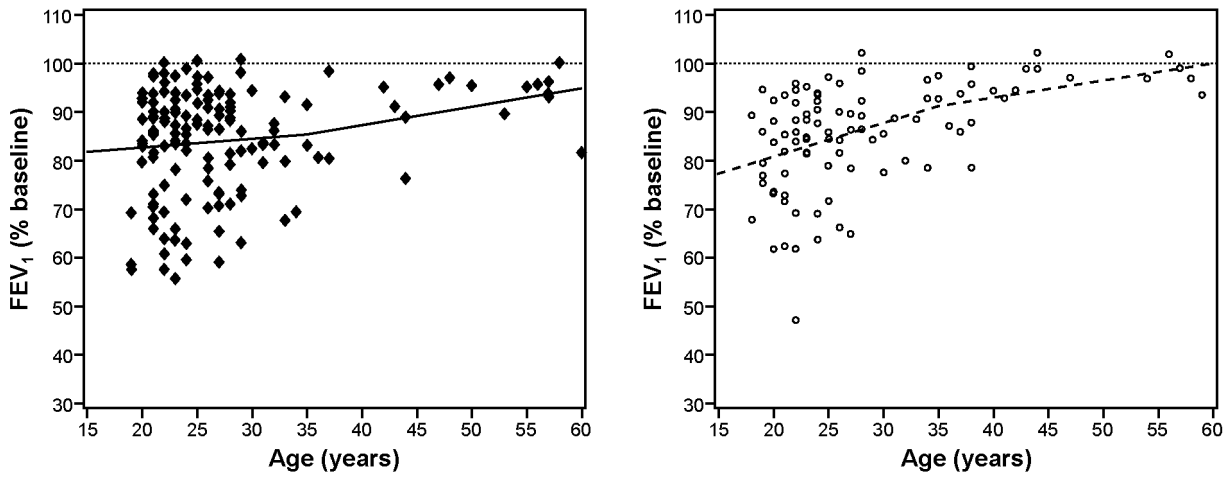

Figure AX6-7. Effect of O_3 exposure (0.42 ppm for 1.5 h with IE) on FEV_1 as a function of subject age. Left panel data for males (n = 146; 19 to 60 yrs old), right panel data for females (n = 94; 18 to 59 yrs old).

Source: Adapted from Hazucha et al. (2003).

and 50 year olds are predicted to be 82, 46, and 18% (respectively) of the average response in 20 year olds. The Hazucha et al. (1996) model is limited to predicting FEV_1 responses immediately postexposure in individuals exposed to 0.42 ppm O_3 for 1.5 h during IE at a $\dot{V}_E$ of 20 L/min/m^2 BSA.

The pathophysiologic mechanisms behind the pronounced age-dependent, gender-differential rate of loss of O_3 responsiveness are unclear. Passannante et al. (1998) have previously demonstrated that O_3-induced spirometric decrements (FEV_1) in healthy young and middle-aged adults are principally neural in origin, involving opioid-modulated sensory bronchial C-fibers. (*The methodological details of this study are presented in Section AX6.2.3 of this chapter*.) The peripheral afferents are most likely the primary site of action, which would be compatible with a reflex action as well as a cortical mechanism. The pattern of progressive decline, as well as the subsequent rate of recovery of spirometric lung function, suggest involvement of both direct and indirect (possibly by $PGE_{2\alpha}$) stimulation and/or sensitization of vagal sensory fibers. (*For details, see Section AX6.2.3.1 of this chapter*.)

The additional pulmonary function data published since the release of last O_3 criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) and reviewed in this section reinforce

the conclusions reached in that document. Children and adolescents are not more responsive to O_3 than young adults when exposed under controlled laboratory conditions. However, they are more responsive than middle-aged and older individuals. Young individuals between the age of 18 and 25 years appear to be the most sensitive to O_3. With progressing age, the sensitivity to O_3 declines and at an older age (>60 yrs) appears to be minimal except for some very responsive individuals. Endpoints other than FEV_1 may show a different age-related pattern of responsiveness.

AX6.5.2 Gender and Hormonal Influences

The few late 1970 and early 1980 studies specifically designed to determine symptomatic and lung function responses of females to O_3 were inconsistent. Some studies have concluded that females might be more sensitive to O_3 than males, while others found no gender differences (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996). During the subsequent decade, seven studies designed to systematically explore gender-based differences in lung function following O_3 exposure were completed (Table AX6-6). Protocols included mouthpiece and chamber exposures, young and old individuals, normalization of ventilation to BSA or FVC, continuous and intermittent exercise, control for menstrual cycle phase, and the use of equivalent effective dose of O_3 during exposures. These studies have generally reported no statistically significant differences in pulmonary function between males and females (Adams et al., 1987; Drechsler-Parks et al., 1987a; Messineo and Adams, 1990; Seal et al., 1993; Weinmann et al., 1995) although in some studies females appeared to experience a slightly greater decline then males (Drechsler-Parks et al., 1987a; Messineo and Adams, 1990). The comparative evaluations were based on responses that included spirometry, airway resistance, nonspecific bronchial responsiveness (NSBR) determinations, and changes in frequency and severity of respiratory symptoms. However, depending on how the O_3 dose was calculated and normalized, the findings of at least three studies may be interpreted as showing that females are more sensitive to O_3 than males. The findings of the seven studies are presented in detail in Section 7.2.1.3 of the previous O_3 criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996).

Some support for a possible increased sensitivity of females to O_3 comes from a study of uric acid concentration in nasal lavage fluid (NLF). Housley et al. (1996) found that the NLF of females contains smaller amounts of uric acid than the NLF of males. The primary source of

Table AX6-6. Gender and Hormonal Differences in Pulmonary Function Responses to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.0 0.25	490	1 h CE $\dot{V}_E$ = 30 L/min	NA Face mask exposure	32 M, 28 F	Healthy NS 22.6 ± 0.6 years old	Mean O_3-induced FEV_1 decrements of 15.9% in males and 9.4% in females (gender differences not significant). FEV_1 decrements ranged from −4 to 56%; decrements >15% in 20 subjects and >40% in 4 subjects. Uptake of O_3 greater in males than females, but uptake not correlated with spirometric responses.	Ultman et al. (2004)
0.40 0.42	784 823	2 h, IE (15' ex/15' rest) $\dot{V}_E$ = 33-45 L/min 1.5 h IE (20' ex/10' rest) $\dot{V}_E$ = 33-45 L/min	22 °C 40% RH treadmill	146 M 94 F	Healthy NS, 18 to 60 years old	No significant gender differences in FEV_1 among young (<35 years) and older individuals. Strong responses are less common over the age of 35 years, especially in women.	Hazucha et al. (2003)
0.0 0.35	0 686	1.25 h, IE (30' ex/15' rest/30' ex) $\dot{V}_E$ = 40 L/min	22 °C 40% RH treadmill	19 F	O_3 responders 22.1 ± 2.7 years old	FVC and FIVC changes about the same, −13%, FEV_1 −20%. Increased airway responsiveness to methacholine. Persistence of small effects on both inspired and expired spirometry past 18 h. Chemoreceptors not activated but ventilatory drive was accelerated.	Folinsbee and Hazucha (2000)
0.0 0.4	0 784	2 h, IE (15' ex/15' rest) $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 18 L/min/m² BSA 2 exposures: 25% of subj. exposed to air-air, 75% exposed to O_3-O_3	21 °C 40% RH treadmill	28 M 34 F	Healthy NS, 20-59 years old	Significant decrements in spirometric lung function. No significant differences in FEV_1 between young females and males and older females and males either in responders or nonresponders subgroups.	Passannante et al. (1998)
0 0.12 0.24 0.30 0.40	0 235 470 588 784	2.33 h IE (15' ex/15' rest) $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m² BSA one exposure per subject	22 °C 40% RH treadmill	48 WF, 55 BF	Healthy NS, 18 to 35 years old	Significant menstrual cycle phase × race interaction for FEV_1. No significant menstrual cycle phase effect when blacks and whites were analyzed separately. No significant menstrual phase effects for SRaw or cough score.	Seal et al. (1996)

Table AX6-6 (cont'd). Gender and Hormonal Differences in Pulmonary Function Responses to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.0 0.35	0 686	2.15 h, IE (30' ex/30' rest)	19-24 °C 48-55% RH treadmill	12 M 12 F	Healthy NS, 5 F follicular and 7 luteal phase exposure, regular menstrual cycles, 18 to 35 years old	Changes in FVC, FEV_1, FEF_{25-75}, $\dot{V}_{max50\%}$, and $\dot{V}_{max25\%}$ were similar during both the follicular and luteal phases. No significant difference between males and females.	Weinmann et al. (1995)
0.3	588	1 h CE $\dot{V}_E \approx 50$ L/min	NA	9 F	Healthy NS, regular menstrual cycles, 20 to 34 years old	FEV_1 decreased 13.1% during the mid-luteal phase and 18.1% during the follicular phase. Decrement in FEF_{25-75} was significantly larger during the follicular phase than the mid-luteal phase. Changes in FVC were similar in both phases.	Fox et al. (1993)
0 0.12 0.18 0.24 0.30 0.40	0 235 353 470 588 784	2.33 h (15' ex/15' rest) $\dot{V}_E = 25$ L/min/m^2 BSA (one exposure/subject)	22 °C 40% RH treadmill	30 to 33 F and 30 to 33 M in each concentration group; total of 372 individuals participated	Healthy NS, 18 to 35 years old, blacks and whites	Decrements in FEV_1, increases in SRaw and cough, correlated with O_3 concentration. There were no significant differences between the responses of males and females.	Seal et al. (1993)
0 0.18 0.30	0 353 588	1 h (mouthpiece), CE $\dot{V}_E \approx 47$ L/min exposures ≥4 days apart	21 to 25 °C 45 to 60% RH cycle	14 F 14 F	FVC = 5.11 ± 0.53 L, NS, 20 to 24 years old FVC = 3.74 ± 0.30 L, NS, 19 to 23 years old	Small lung group, FVC = 3.74 ± 0.30 L. Large lung group, FVC = 5.11 ± 0.53 L. Significant concentration-response effect on FVC and FEV_1; lung size had no effect on percentage decrements in FVC or FEV_1.	Messineo and Adams (1990)
0.0 0.45	0 882	2 h, IE (20' ex/20' rest) $\dot{V}_E = 28.5$ L/min for M $\dot{V}_E = 26.1$ L/min for F repeated O_3 exposures	23.1 °C 46.1% RH cycle/treadmill	10 M 6 F	Healthy NS, 60 to 89 years old Healthy NS, 64 to 71 years old	Mean decrement in FEV_1 = 5.7%. Decrements in FVC and FEV_1 were the only pulmonary functions significantly altered by O_3 exposure. No significant differences between responses of men and women.	Bedi et al. (1989)
0 0.20 0.30	0 392 588	1 h (mouthpiece) IE (50' rest/10' ex first 7 M) (20' rest/10' ex all others) $\dot{V}_E \approx 28$ L/min for M $\dot{V}_E \approx 23$ L/min for F	≈22 °C ≥75% RH treadmill	9 M, 10 F	Healthy NS, 55 to 74 years old	No change in any spirometic measure for either group. Females had 13% increase in R_T after 0.30-ppm exposure. Gender differences not evaluated.	Reisenauer et al. (1988)

Table AX6-6 (cont'd). Gender and Hormonal Differences in Pulmonary Function Responses to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.3	588	1 h (mouthpiece), CE $\dot{V}_E \approx 70$ L/min for men $\dot{V}_E \approx 50$ L/min for women	21 to 25 °C 45 to 60% RH cycle	20 M 20 F	NS, 18 to 30 years old NS, 19 to 25 years old	Significant decrements in FVC, FEV_1, and FEF_{25-75} following O_3 exposure. No significant differences between men and women for spirometry or SRaw.	Adams et al. (1987)
0.0 0.45	0 882	2 h, IE (20' rest/ 20' ex) $\dot{V}_E \approx 27.9$ L/min for M $\dot{V}_E \approx 25.4$ L/min for F repeated O_3 exposures	24 °C 58% RH cycle	8 M 8 F	Healthy NS, 51 to 69 years old Healthy NS, 56 to 76 years old	Range of responses in FEV_1: 0 to −12% (mean = −5.6%). No significant difference in responses of men and women. Tendency for women to have greater effects.	Drechsler-Parks et al. (1987a,b)
0.48	941	2 h, IE $\dot{V}_E \approx 25$ L/min	21 °C (WBGT) cycle	10 F	Healthy NS, 19 to 36 years old	Mean decrement in $FEV_1 = 22.4\%$. Significant decrements in all spirometric measurements. Results not significantly different from a similar study on males (Drechsler-Parks et al., 1984).	Horvath et al. (1986)

[a] See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b] Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.
[c] WBGT = 0.7 $T_{wet\ bulb}$ + 0.3 $T_{dry\ bulb\ or\ globe}$.

uric acid is plasma; therefore, lower nasal concentrations would reflect lower plasma concentrations of this antioxidant. The authors have speculated that in females, both lower plasma and NLF levels (of uric acid) can plausibly make them more susceptible to oxidant injury, since local antioxidant protection may not be as effective as with higher levels of uric acid, and consequently more free O_3 can penetrate deeper into the lung.

Several studies also have suggested that anatomical differences in the lung size and the airways between males and females, and subsequent differences in O_3 distribution and absorption, may influence O_3 sensitivity and potentially differential O_3 response. The study of Messinio and Adams (1990) have, however, convincingly demonstrated that the effective dose to the lung, and not the lung size, determines the magnitude of (FEV_1) response. Furthermore, the O_3 dosimetry experiments of Bush et al. (1996) have shown that despite gender differences in longitudinal distribution of O_3, the absorption distribution in conducting airways was the same for both sexes when expressed as a ratio of penetration to anatomic dead space volume. This implies that gender differences, if any, are not due to differences in (normal) lung anatomy. The data also have shown that routine adjustment of O_3 dose for body size and gender differences would be more important if normalized to anatomic dead space rather than the usual FVC or BSA.

One of the secondary objectives of a study designed to examine the role of neural mechanisms involved in limiting maximal inspiration following O_3 exposure has been to determine if gender differences occur. A group of healthy males (n = 28) and females (n = 34) were exposed to 0.42 ppm O_3 for 2 h with IE. The methodological details of the study are presented in Section AX6.2.5.1 of this document. As Figure AX6-4 shows, the differences between males and females were, at any condition, measurement point, and O_3 sensitivity status only minimal and not significant (Passannante et al., 1998).

In another investigation, Folinsbee and Hazucha (2000) exposed a group of 19 O_3-responsive young females (average age of 22 years, prescreened for O_3 responsiveness by earlier exposure) to air and 0.35 ppm O_3. The randomized 75-min exposures included two 30-min exercise periods at a $\dot{V}_E$ of 40 L/min. In addition to standard pulmonary function tests, they employed several techniques used for the first time in human air pollution studies assessment of O_3 effects. The average lung function decline from a pre-exposure value was 13% for FVC, 19.9 % for FEV_1 , and 30% for FEF_{25-75}. The infrequently measured forced inspiratory

vital capacity (FIVC) was the same as FVC suggesting that the lung volume limiting mechanisms are the same. The reduction in peak inspiratory flow (PIF) most likely reflects an overall reduction in inspiratory effort associated with neurally mediated inhibition of inspiration. Persistence of small inspiratory and expiratory spirometric effects, airway resistance, and airway responsiveness to methacholine for up to 18 h postexposure suggests that recovery of pulmonary function after O_3 exposure involves more than the simple removal of an irritant. Incomplete repair of damaged epithelium and still unresolved airway inflammation are the likely causes of the residual effects that in some individuals persisted beyond 24 h postexposure. However, by 42 hours no residual effects were detected. No significant changes were found in ventilatory response to CO_2 between air and O_3 exposures, suggesting that chemoreceptors were not affected by O_3. However, O_3 inhalation did result in accelerated timing of breathing and a modest increase in inspiratory drive. These observations are consistent with, and further supportive of, the primary mechanisms of O_3-induced reduction in inspiratory lung function, namely an inhibition of inspiration elicited by stimulation of the C-fibers and other pulmonary receptors. Because the measures of inspiratory and chemical drive to assess O_3 effects were not reported in any previous human study, no comparisons are possible. Because no male subjects were recruited for the study, it is not possible to compare gender effects. Despite being O_3-responsive, however, the average post-O_3 decline in expiratory lung function from preexposure (13% for FVC; 19.9% for FEV_1; 30% for FEF_{25-75}) was similar to that seen in female cohorts studied by other investigators under similar conditions of exposure. These were the same studies that found no gender differences in O_3 sensitivity (Adams et al., 1987; Messineo and Adams, 1990).

The study by Hazucha et al. (2003), discussed in the previous section, has in addition to aging also examined gender differences in O_3 responsiveness. The male (n = 146) and female (n = 94) cohorts were classified into young (19 to 35 year-old) and middle-aged (35 to 60 year-old) groups. This classification was selected in order to facilitate comparison with data reported previously by other laboratories. Using a linear regression spline model (with a break point at 35 years), the authors reported that the rate of loss of sensitivity is about three times as high in young females as in young males ($p < 0.003$). In young females, the average estimated decline in FEV_1 response is 0.71% per year, while in young males it is 0.19% per year. Middle-aged groups of both genders show about the same rate of decline (0.36 to 0.39%, respectively). At 60 years of age, the model estimates about a 5% post-O_3 exposure decline in FEV_1 for males,

but only a 1.3% decline for females. These observations suggest that young females lose O_3 sensitivity faster than young males, but by middle age, the rate is about the same for both genders. Descriptive statistics show that there were practically no differences in the mean value, standard error of the mean, and coefficient of variation for % FEV_1 decrement between the group of young males (n = 125; 83.7 ± 1.1%; CV = 13.5%) and young females (n = 73; 83.4 ± 1.25%; CV = 12.8%). A straight linear regression model of these data was illustrated in Figure AX6-7. The slopes, significant in both males (r = 0.242; p = 0.003) and females (r = 0.488; p = 0.001), represent the decline in responsiveness of 0.29% and 0.55% per year respectively, as assessed by FEV_1.

Two earlier studies of the effects of the menstrual cycle phase on O_3 responsiveness have reported conflicting results (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996). Weinmann et al. (1995) found no significant lung function effects related to menstrual cycle, although during the luteal phase the effects were slightly more pronounced than during the follicular phase; while Fox et al., (1993) reported that follicular phase enhanced O_3 responsiveness. In a more recent investigation of possible modulatory effects of hormonal changes during menstrual cycle on O_3 response, young women (n = 150) 18 to 35 years old were exposed once to one of multiple O_3 concentrations (0.0, 0.12, 0.18, 0.24, 0.30, 0.40 ppm) for 140 min with IE at 35 L/min/m^2 BSA. The women's menstrual cycle phase was determined immediately prior to O_3 exposure. Post-O_3, no significant differences in % predicted FEV_1 changes that could be related to the menstrual cycle phase were found. Admittedly, a less precise method of determining menstrual cycle phase used in this study could have weakened the statistical power. Unfortunately, the direction and magnitude of O_3 response as related to the menstrual cycle phases were not reported (Seal et al., 1996). Considering the inconclusiveness of findings of this study and the inconsistency of results between the two earlier studies, it is not possible to make any firm conclusions about the influence of the menstrual cycle on responses to O_3 exposure.

Additional studies presented in this section clarify an open-ended conclusion reached in the previous O_3 criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) regarding the influence of age on O_3 responsiveness. Healthy young males and females are about equally responsive to O_3, although the rate of loss of sensitivity is higher in females than in males. Middle-aged men and women are generally much less responsive to O_3 than younger individuals. Within this range, males appear to be slightly more responsive than females, but the rate of age-

related loss in FEV_1 is about the same. The O_3 sensitivity may vary during the menstrual cycle; however, this variability appears to be minimal.

AX6.5.3 Racial, Ethnic, and Socioeconomic Status Factors

In the only laboratory study designed to compare spirometric responses of whites and blacks exposed to a range of O_3 concentrations (0 to 0.4 ppm), Seal et al. (1993) reported inconsistent and statistically insignificant FEV_1 differences between white and black males and females within various exposure levels. Perhaps, with larger cohorts the tendency for greater responses of black than white males may become significant. Thus, based on this study it is still unclear if race is a modifier of O_3 sensitivity, although the findings of epidemiologic studies reported in the previous criteria document "can be considered suggestive of an ethnic difference" (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996). However, as Gwynn and Thurston (2001) pointed out, it appears that it is more the socioeconomic status (SES) and overall quality of healthcare that drives PM_{10}- and O_3-related hospital admissions than an innate or acquired sensitivity to pollutants.

This assertion is somewhat supported by the study of Seal et al. (1996) who employed a family history questionnaire to examine the influence of SES on the O_3 responsiveness of 352 healthy, 18- to 35-year-old black and white subjects. Each subject was exposed once under controlled laboratory conditions to either air or 0.12, 0.18, 0.24, 0.30, 0.40 ppm O_3 for 140 min with 15 min IE at 35 L/min/m^2 BSA. An answer to the "Education of the father" question was selected as a surrogate variable for SES status. No other qualifying indices of SES were used or potential bial examined. Of the three SES categories, individuals in the middle SES category showed greater concentration-dependent decline in % predicted FEV_1 (4-5% @ 0.4 ppm O_3) than low and high SES groups. The authors did not have an "immediately clear" explanation for this finding. The SES to %predicted FEV_1 relationship by gender-race group was apparently examined as well; however, these results were not presented. Perhaps a more comprehensive and quantitative evaluation of SES status would have identified the key factors and clarified the interpretation of these findings. With such a paucity of data it is not possible to discern the influence of racial or other related factors on O_3 sensitivity.

AX6.5.4 Influence of Physical Activity

Apart from the importance of increased minute ventilation on the inhaled dose of O_3 during increased physical activity, including work, recreational exercise, and more structured exercise like sports, no systematic effort has been made to study other potential physical factors that may modulate O_3 response. The typical physiologic response of the body to exercise is to increase both the rate and depth of breathing, as well as increase other responses such as heart rate, blood pressure, oxygen uptake, and lung diffusion capacity.

Physical activity increases minute ventilation in proportion to work load. At rest, and during light exercise, the dominant route of breathing is through the nose. The nose not only humidifies air, among other physiologic functions, but also absorbs O_3 thus decreasing the overall dose. As the intensity of exercise increases, the minute ventilation increases and the breathing switches from nasal to oronasal mode. There is considerable individual variation in the onset of oronasal breathing, which ranges from 24 to 46 L/min (Niinimaa et al., 1980). During heavy exercise, ventilation is dominated by oral breathing. Consequently, the residence time of inhaled air in the nose and the airways is shorter, reducing the uptake of O_3 (Kabel et al., 1994). Moreover, increasing inspiratory flow and tidal volume shifts the longitudinal distribution of O_3 to the peripheral airways, which are more sensitive to injury than the larger, proximal airways. Ozone uptake studies of human lung showed that at simulated quiet breathing, 50% of O_3 was absorbed in the upper airways, 50% in the conducting airways, and none reached the small airways (Hu et al. 1994). With ventilation simulating heavy exercise (60 L/min), the respective O_3 uptakes were 10% (upper airways), 65% (conducting airways), and 25% (small airways). These observations imply that equal O_3 dose ($C \times T \times \dot{V}_E$) will have a greater effect on pulmonary function and inflammatory responses when inhaled during heavy physical activity than when inhaled during lighter activity. Although, Ultman et al. (2004) recently reported that spirometric response are not correlated with O_3 uptake. (*See Chapter 4 of this document for more information on the dosimetry of O_3.*)

Other physiologic factors activated in response to physical activity are unlikely to have as much impact on O_3 responsiveness as does minute ventilation; however, their potential influence has not been investigated.

AX6.5.5 Environmental Factors

Since the 1996 O_3 criteria document, not a single human laboratory study has examined the potential influence of environmental factors such as rural versus urban environment, passive cigarette smoke exposure, and bioactive admixtures such as endotoxin on healthy individual's pulmonary function changes due to O_3 (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996).

Some of the unresolved issues, e.g., health effects of ETS and O_3 interaction, which need to be examined in human studies were explored very recently in laboratory animal studies (*see Chapter 5 for more details*). In one study on mice, preexposure of animals to sidestream cigarette smoke (ETS surrogate), which elicited no immediate effects, resulted in a potentiation of subsequent O_3-induced inflammatory response. This finding suggests that typical adverse effects of ETS do not necessarily have to elicit an immediate response to ETS, but may in fact potentiate the effects of a subsequent exposure to another pollutant like O_3 (Yu et al., 2002). The key mechanism by which smoke inhalation may potentiate subsequent oxidant injury appears to be damage to cell membranes and the resulting increase in epithelial permeability. Disruption of this protective layer may facilitate as well as accelerate injury to subepithelial structures when subsequently exposed to other pollutants (Bhalla, 2002). Although this may be a plausible mechanism in nonsmokers and acute smokers exposed to ETS and other pollutants, studies involving chronic smokers who most likely already have chronic airway inflammation do not seems to show exaggerated response with exposure to O_3.

More than 25 years ago, Hazucha et al. (1973) reported that the spirometric lung function of smokers declined significantly less than that of nonsmokers when exposed to 0.37 ppm O_3. The findings of this study have been confirmed and expanded (Table AX6-7). Frampton et al. (1997a) found that exposure of current smokers (n = 34) and never smokers (n = 56) to 0.22 ppm O_3 for 4 h with IE for 20 min of each 30 min period at 40 to 46 L/min, induced a substantially smaller decline in FVC, FEV_1 and SGaw of smokers than never smokers. Smokers also demonstrated a much narrower distribution of spirometric endpoints than never smokers. Similarly, nonspecific airway responsiveness to methacholine was decreased in smokers. However, both groups showed the consistency of response from exposure to exposure. It should be noted that despite seemingly lesser response, the smokers were more symptomatic post air exposure than never smokers, but the opposite was true for O_3 exposure. This would suggest that underlying chronic airway inflammation present in smokers has blunted stimulation of

Table AX6-7. Influence of Ethnic, Environmental, and Other Factors

Ozone Concentration		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.0 0.4	0 780	2 h IE, 15' ex/15' rest $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	20 °C 40% RH	15 M, 1 F 13 M, 2 F	Placebo group: healthy NS avg age 27 yrs. Antiox. Suppl. Gr.: Healthy NS avg age 27 yrs.	PF decrements in the supplementation group were signif. smaller for FVC ($p < 0.046$) and near significant for FEV_1 ($p < 0.055$). The inflammatory response (BAL) showed no significant differences between the two groups either in the recovery of cellular components or the concentrations and types of inflammatory cytokines.	Samet et al. (2001)
0.0 0.12	0 235	0.75 h IE, 15' ex/15' rest $\dot{V}_E$ = 40-46 L/min	60% RH	5 M, 12 F	Asthmatics sensitive to SO_2 19 to 38 yrs old	No significant differences due to O_3 between placebo and antioxidant supplement cohort in either spirometric responses or bronchial hyperresponsiveness to 0.1 ppm SO_2.	Trenga et al. (2001)
0.0 0.22 0.22	0 431 431	4 h IE, 20' ex/10' rest $\dot{V}_E$ = 40-46 L/min	21 °C 37% RH	25 (M/F)	Healthy NS O_3 responders and nonresponders 18 to 40 yrs old	Glutathione peroxidase (GPx) activity and eGPx protein level were significantly ($p = 0.0001$) depleted in ELF for at least 18 h postexp. In BAL both endpoints were elevated (ns). No association between cell injury, PF, or GPx activity.	Avissar et al. (2000)[b]
0.0 0.12-0.24[a]	0 235-470[a]	2.17 h IE, 10' ex/ 10' rest $\dot{V}_E$ = 36-39 L/min	22 °C or 30 °C 45-55% RH	5 M, 4 F	Healthy NS 24 to 32 yrs old	FEV_1 decreased ($p < 0.5$) by ~8% at 22 °C and ~6.5% at 30 °C. 19 h postexp decline of 2.3% still signif. ($p < 0.05$). SGaw signif. ($p < 0.05$) declined at 30 °C but not at 22 °C. The BHR assessed 19 h postexp. as PC_{50} sGaw methacholine signif. ($p < 0.05$) higher at both temperatures.	Foster et al. (2000)

Table AX6-7 (cont'd). Influence of Ethnic, Environmental, and Other Factors

Ozone Concentration		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.0 0.40	0 780	2 h IE, 20' ex/ 10' rest $\dot{V}_E$ = mild to mod.		6 M, 9 F	Healthy NS avg age 31 yrs.	Corticosteroid pretreatment had no effects on post-O_3 decline in PF, PMN response, and sputum cell count under both the placebo and treatment conditions. Methacholine PC_{20} FEV_1 was equally decreased in both cond. 4 h after exposure. No changes in exhaled NO and CO.	Nightingale et al. (2000)
0.0 0.22	0 431	4 h IE 20' ex/10' rest $\dot{V}_E$ = 40-46 L/min	21 °C 37% RH	90 M	56 never smokers 34 current smokers 18 to 40 yrs. old	Smokers are less responsive to O_3 as assessed by spirometric and plethysmographic variables. Neither age, gender, nor methacholine responsiveness were predictive of O_3 response.	Frampton et al. (1997a,c)[b]
0.0 0.22 0.22	0 431 431	4 h IE, 20' ex/10' rest $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 L/min/m^2 BSA	21 °C 37% RH	10 M, 2 F 10 M, 3 F 11 M, 2 F	NS, O_3 nonresp., avg age 25 yrs.; NS, O_3 resp., avg age 25 yrs; smokers avg age 28 yrs	Neither O_3 responsiveness nor smoking has altered the magnitude and the time course of O_3-induced airway inflammation. Inflammation involved all types of cells accessible by BAL. The recovery profile of these cells over time was very similar for all groups showing highest values 18 h postexposure.	Torres et al. (1997)[b] Frampton et al. (1997a,c)[b]

[a]Ramp exposure from 0.12 ppm to 0.24 ppm and back to 0.12 ppm at the end of exposure.
[b]Related studies, sharing of some subjects .

bronchial C-fibers and other pulmonary receptors, the receptors substantially responsible for post-O_3 lung function decrements. In addition to desensitization, the other "protective" mechanisms active in smokers may be an increase in the mucus layer conferring not only a mechanical protection, but also acting as an O_3 scavenger. Another plausible explanation of a diminished responsiveness of smokers may be related to elevated levels of reduced glutathione (GSH), an antioxidant, found in epithelial lining fluid of chronic but not acute smokers (MacNee et al., 1996).

Despite some differences in a release of proinflammatory cytokines and subsequent recruitment of inflammatory cells, both smokers and nonsmokers developed airway inflammation following O_3 exposure. This was demonstrated by the Torres et al. (1997) study that involved exposures of about equal size cohorts of otherwise healthy young smokers, nonsmoker O_3 nonresponders (<5% FEV_1 post-O_3 decrement) and nonsmoker O_3 responders (>15% FEV_1 post-O_3 decrement) to air and two 0.22 ppm O_3 atmospheres for 4 hours, alternating 20 min of moderate exercise (25 L/min/m^2 BSA) with 10 min of rest. Both O_3 exposures were followed by nasal lavage (NL) and bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) performed immediately post one of exposures and 18 hr later following the other exposure. Neither O_3 responsiveness nor smoking alters the magnitude or the time course of O_3-induced airway inflammation. The overall cell recovery was lower immediately postexposure but higher, particularly in nonsmokers, 18 h post-O_3 exposure when compared to control (air) in all groups. Recovery of lymphocytes, PMNs and AMs in both alveolar and bronchial lavage fluid showed the largest increase in response to O_3 in all groups, with nonsmokers showing greater relative increases than smokers. Of the two cytokines, IL-6 and IL-8, IL-6 was substantially and significantly ($p < 0.0002$) elevated immediately postexposure but returned back to control 18 h later in all groups; but only nonsmokers' effects were significantly higher ($p < 0.024$). IL-8 showed a similar pattern of response but the increase in all groups, though still significant ($p < 0.0001$), was not as high as for IL-6. Between group differences were not significant. This inflammatory response involved all types of cells present in BAL fluid and the recovery profile of these cells over time was very similar for all groups. In contrast to BAL, NL did not prove to be a reliable marker of airway inflammation. The lack of association between lung function changes (spirometry) and airway inflammation for all three groups confirms similar observations

reported from other laboratories. This divergence of mechanisms is further enhanced by an observation that a substantially different spirometric response between O_3 responders and nonresponders, the airway inflammatory response of the two groups was very similar, both in terms of magnitude and pattern (Torres et al., 1997).

The influence of ambient temperature on pulmonary effects induced by O_3 exposure in humans has been studied infrequently under controlled laboratory conditions. Several experimental human studies published more than 20 years ago reported additive effects of heat and O_3 exposure (see U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986, 1996). In the study of Foster et al. (2000) 9 young (mean age 27 years) healthy subjects (4F/5M) were exposed for 130 min (IE 10 min @ 36 to 39 l/min) to filtered air and to ramp profile O_3 at 22° and 30 °C, 45-55% RH. The order of exposures was randomized. The O_3 exposure started at 0.12 ppm, reached the peak of 0.24 ppm mid-way through and subsequently declined to 0.12 ppm at the end of exposure. Ozone inhalation decreased V_T and increased f_B as compared to baseline at both temperatures. At the end of exposure FEV_1 decreased significantly ($p < 0.5$) by ~8% at 22 °C and ~6.5% at 30 °C. One day (19 h) later, the decline of 2.3% from baseline was still significant ($p < 0.05$). FVC decrements were smaller and significant only at 22 °C immediately postexposure. SGaw significantly ($p < 0.05$) declined at 30 °C but not at 22 °C. A day later, sGaw was elevated above the baseline for all conditions. The nonspecific bronchial responsiveness (NSBR) to methacloline assessed as PC_{50} sGaw was significantly ($p < 0.05$) higher one day following O_3 exposure at both temperatures but more so at 30 °C. Thus, these findings indicate that elevated temperature has partially attenuated spirometric response but enhanced airway reactivity. Numerous studies have reported an increase in NSBR immediately after exposure to O_3. Whether the late NSBR reported in this study is a persistent residual effect of an earlier increase in airway responsiveness, or is a true one day lag effect cannot be determined from this study. Whatever the origin, however, a delayed increase in airway responsiveness raises a question of potentially increased susceptibility of an individual to respiratory impairment, particularly if the suggested mechanism of disrupted epithelial membrane holds true.

AX6.5.6 Oxidant-Antioxidant Balance

Oxidant-antioxidant balance has been considered as one of the determinants of O_3 responsiveness. Amateur cyclists who took antioxidant supplements (vitamins C, E, and β-carotene) for three months showed no decrements in spirometric lung function when cycling on days with high O_3 levels. In contrast, matched control group of cyclists not pretreated with vitamin supplements experienced an almost 2% decline in FVC and FEV_1 and >5% reduction in PEF during the same activity period. Adjustment of data for confounders such as PM_{10} and NO_2 did not change the findings. Apparently, substantially elevated levels of plasma antioxidants may afford some protection against lung function impairment (Grievink et al.,1998, 1999).

Both laboratory animal and human studies have repeatedly demonstrated that antioxidant compounds present the first line of defense against the oxidative stress. Thus, upregulation of both enzymatic and nonenzymatic antioxidant systems is critical to airway epithelial protection from exposure to oxidants such as O_3 and NO_2 (*see Table AX6-7*). As an extension of an earlier study focused on pulmonary function changes (Frampton et al., 1997a), Avissar et al. (2000) hypothesized that concentration of glutathione peroxidase (GPx), one of the antioxidants in epithelial lining fluid (ELF), is related to O_3 and NO_2 responsiveness. They exposed healthy young nonsmokers (n = 25), O_3-responders, and nonresponders to filtered air and twice to 0.22 ppm O_3 for 4 h (IE, 20' ex /10' rest, @ $\dot{V}_E$ 40 to 46 L/min). In the NO_2 part of the study, subjects were exposed to air and twice to NO_2 (0.6 and 1.5 ppm) for 3 h, with IE of 10 min of each 30 min @ $\dot{V}_E$ of 40 L/min. Ozone exposure elicited a typical pulmonary function response with neutrophilic airway inflammation in both responders and nonresponders. The GPx activity was significantly reduced ($p = 0.0001$) and eGPx protein significantly depleted ($p = 0.0001$) in epithelial lining fluid (ELF) for at least 18 h postexposure. In contrast, both GPx and eGPx were slightly elevated in bronchoalveolar lavage fluid (BALF). However, neither of the two NO_2 exposures had a significant effect on pulmonary function, airway neutrophilia, epithelial permeability, GPx activity, or eGPx protein level in either ELF or BALF. The lack of a significant response to NO_2 has been attributed to the weak oxidative properties of this gas. No association has been observed between cell injury, assessed by ELF albumin, or pulmonary function and GPx activity for O_3 exposure. Thus, it is unclear what role antioxidants may have in modulation of O_3-induced lung function and inflammatory responses. The authors found a negative association between lower baseline eGPx protein concentration in ELF and post-O_3

neutrophilia to be an important predictor of O_3-induced inflammation; however, the causal relationship has not been established.

The effects of dietary antioxidant supplementation on O_3-induced pulmonary and inflammatory response of young healthy individuals has been investigated by Samet et al. (2001). Under controlled conditions, subjects received ascorbate restricted diet for three weeks. After the first week of prescribed diet, subjects were randomly assigned into two groups, and exposed to air (2 h, IE every 15 min at 20 L/min/m^2 BSA). Thereafter, one group received daily placebo pills and the other a daily supplement of ascorbate, α-tocopherol and a vegetable juice for the next two weeks. At the end of a two week period subjects were exposed to 0.4 ppm O_3 under otherwise similar conditions as in sham exposures. Serum concentration of antioxidants determined prior to O_3 exposure showed that subjects receiving supplements had substantially higher concentrations of ascorbate, tocopherol and carotenoid in blood than the control group. Plasma levels of glutathione and uric acid (cellular antioxidants) remained essentially the same. Ozone exposure reduced spirometric lung function in both groups; however, the average decrements in the supplementation group were smaller for FVC ($p = 0.046$) and FEV_1 ($p = 0.055$) when compared to the placebo group. There was no significant correlation between individual lung function changes and respective plasma levels of antioxidants. Individuals in both groups experienced typical post-O_3 subjective symptoms of equal severity. Similarly, the inflammatory response as assessed by BALF showed no significant differences between the two groups either in the recovery of cellular components or the types and concentrations of inflammatory cytokines. Because of the complexity of protocol, the study was not designed as a cross-over type. However, it is unlikely that the fixed air-O_3 sequence of exposures influenced the findings in any substantial way. Although the study did not elucidate the protective mechanisms, it has demonstrated the value of dietary antioxidants in attenuating lung function effects of O_3. This observation may appear to contradict the findings of Avissar's and colleagues study (2000) discussed above; however, neither study found association between lung function changes and glutathione levels. The lack of such association suggests that activation of antioxidant protective mechanisms is seemingly independent of mechanisms eliciting lung-function changes and that dietary antioxidants afford protection via a different pathway than tissue-dependent antioxidant enzymes. Moreover, the findings of this study have provided

additional evidence that symptomatic, functional, inflammatory, and antioxidant responses are operating through substantially independent mechanisms.

Further evidence that the levels and activity of antioxidant enzymes in ELF may not be predictive or indicative of O_3-induced lung function or inflammatory effects has been provided by a study of Blomberg et al. (1999). No association was found between the respiratory tract lining fluid redox potential level, an indicator of antioxidants balance, and either spirometric or inflammatory changes induced by a moderate exposure of young individuals to O_3 (0.2 ppm/2 h, intermittent exercise at 20 L/min/m^2 BSA). However, O_3 exposure caused a partial depletion of antioxidants (uric acid, GSH, EC-SOD) in nasal ELF and a compensatory increase in plasma uric acid, affording at least some local protection (Mudway et al. 1999). More recently, Mudway et al. (2001) investigated the effect of baseline antioxidant levels on response to a 2-h exposure to 0.2 ppm O_3 in 15 asthmatic and 15 healthy subjects. In the BALF of 15 healthy subjects, significant O_3-induced reductions in ascorbate and increases in glutathione disulphide and EC-SOD were observed, whereas, levels were unaffected by O_3 exposure in the asthmatics. In both groups, BALF levels of uric acid and α-Tocopherol were unaffected by O_3.

Trenga et al. (2001) studied the potential protective effects of dietary antioxidants (500 mg vitamin C and 400 IU of vitamin E) on bronchial responsiveness of young to middle-aged asthmatics. Recruited subjects were prescreened by exposure to 0.5 ppm SO_2 for 10 min while exercising on a treadmill and selected for study participation if they experienced a >8% decease in FEV_1. Prior to the 1st exposure, subjects took either two supplements or two placebo pills at breakfast time for 4 weeks. They continued taking respective pills for another week when the 2nd exposure took place. The 45-min exposures to air and 0.12 ppm O_3 (15 min IE, $\dot{V}_E \approx 3\times$ resting rate) via mouthpiece were randomized. Each exposure was followed by two 10-min challenges to 0.10 and 0.25 ppm SO_2 with exercise to determine bronchial hyperresponsiveness. Due to potential variability of baseline lung function between days, and the way the data have been presented, it is difficult to interpret the results. All spirometric measures (FEV_1, FVC, FEF_{25-75}, and PEF) were significantly decreased from baseline at subsequent time points following both the FA and O_3 exposures. Exposure to O_3 caused significant decrements in FEV_1 and PEF. The post FA and O_3 exposure decrements in lung function were not affected by the treatment regimen (placebo versus vitamin). Bronchial hyperresponsiveness to 0.1 ppm SO_2 was also unaffected by treatment regimen. Based on the prescreening SO_2 challenge, subjects were

ranked by their bronchial responsiveness to SO_2 as "less-severe" (8 to 16% FEV_1 decrements) and "more-severe" (27 to 44% FEV_1 decrements). The authors concluded O_3 exposure increases bronchial responsiveness to SO_2 in asthmatics and that antioxidant supplementation has a protective effect against this responsiveness, especially in the "more-severe" responders.

AX6.5.7 Genetic Factors

It has been repeatedly postulated that genetic factors may play an important role in individual responsiveness to ozone. Recent studies (Bergamaschi et al., 2001; Corradi et al, 2002; Romieu et al, 2004) have indeed found that genetic polymorphisms of antioxidant enzymes, namely NAD(P)H:quinone oxidoreductase (NQO1) and glutathione-S-transferase M1 (GSTM1), may play an important role in attenuating oxidative stress of airway epithelium. Bergamaschi and colleagues (2001) studied young nonsmokers (15 F, 9 M; mean age 28.5 years) who cycled for two hours on a cycling circuit in a city park on days with the average ozone concentration ranging from 32 to 103 ppb. There was no control study group nor the intensity of bicycling has been reported . Since spirometry was done within 30 min post-ride, it is difficult to gage how much of the statistically significant ($p = 0.026$) mean decrement of 160 ml in FEV_1 of 8/24 individuals with NQO1 wild type (NQO1wt) and GSTM1null (GSTM1null) genotypes was due to ozone. Individuals with other genotype combinations including GSTM1null had a mean post-ride decrement of FEV_1 of only 40 mL. The post-ride serum level of Clara cell protein (CC16), a biomarker of airway permeability, has been elevated in both subgroups. Only a "susceptible" subgroup carrying NQO1wt in combination with GSTM1null genotype, serum concentration of CC16 showed positive correlation with ambient concentration of ozone and negative correlation with FEV_1 changes. Despite some interesting observations, the study results should be interpreted cautiously.

A subsequent study from the same laboratory was conducted in a more controlled environment (Corradi et al., 2002). Healthy young (mean 30.1 yrs) individuals (12 M, 10 F) underwent a single exposure to 0.1 ppm O_3 for 2 h while intermittently exercising at a moderate load on a bicycle ergometer. The study design did not incorporate sham exposure, though the authors have stated that in a separate experiment the effects of exercise on markers of inflammation in blood and EBC were negligible. The eight subjects with NQO1wt and GSTM1null genotype, the "susceptible" group, indeed showed an increase in markers of

inflammation (IL-6, IL-8, TBARS, LTB_4) and oxidative stress (8-isoprostane, H_2O_2) immediately post and 18 hrs postexposure. The fourteen subjects with other combination of genotypes showed small and inconsistent response in EBC and blood biomarkers, though PMN activity in both groups was significantly increased by exposure. The DNA adduct 8-hydroxy-2'-deoxyguanosine (8-OhdG), a marker of oxidative DNA damage, was elevated immediately postexposure in both groups but only in the "susceptible" group the increase became significant. The spirometric endpoints (not reported) were not affected by the exposure at any time point, which contrasts the previous study. The incomplete study design calls for a careful interpretation of the findings.

It is of interest to note, that human nasal mucosa biopsies of GSTM1 deficient subjects showed higher antioxidant enzymes activity than biopsies of GSTM1 positive individuals when incubated for 24 h in 120 ppb O_3 environment (Otto-Knapp et al., 2003).

The influence of functional polymorphism of inflammatory and other genes on O_3 susceptibility was studied by Yang et al. (2005). In this study 54 nonsmoking subjects (11 healthy subjects, 15 mild asthmatics, 25 with rhinitis) were exposed to 250 ppb O_3 for 3 h (44 subjects), 200 ppb for 4 h (4 subjects), and 400 ppb for 2 h (3 subjects). During these exposures subjects intermittently exercised (~14 L/min/m^2 BSA). The pooled data of the tumor necrosis factor α (TNF-α), lymphotoxin-α (LTA), toll-like receptor 4 (TLR4), superoxide dismutase (SOD2) and glutathione peroxidase (GPX1) genes appear to show only TNF-α as a promising genetic factors of susceptibility. However, as the authors stated "the functional significance of individual TNF-α polymorphisms remains controversial" (Yang et al., 2005).

More specific genotyping has shown that O_3 responsiveness and asthma risk may be related to the presence of variant Ser allele for NQO1. In a field study of susceptibility to ambient O_3 in Mexico City, 4- 17 yrs old asthmatic children (n = 218) were genotyped, including variant alleles (David et al., 2003). The risk of asthma was related to the 1-h daily max ambient O_3 which ranged from 12 to 309 ppb. Relative to Pro/Pro genotype the presence of at least one NQO1 Ser allele variant lowered the risk of asthma in these children (RR = 0.8). In children with GSTM1null genotype combined with at least one NQO1 Ser allele variant the decreased risk of asthma became statistically significant (RR = 0.4). The presence of Ser allele which renders NQO1 less active, thus affecting the conjugation of quinones and formation of ROS

subsequently reducing the oxidative stress, may plausibly explain the protective effect of this genotypic combination.

Another field study of asthmatic children (n = 158) exposed to ambient O_3 (12-309 ppb 1-h max during the 12 week study period) has found that in children with genetic deficiency of GSTM1 the decrements in FEF_{25-75} were related to the previous day 1-h daily max O_3. The association was more pronounced in moderate to severe asthmatics. Children with GSTM1pos variant showed no significant decrement in lung function. Randomly administered antioxidant supplementation (vit. C 250 mg/day and vit. E 50 mg/day) attenuated post-ozone lung function response in GSTM1null children (Romieu et al., 2004).

These recent studies have shown that individual's innate susceptibility to ozone may be linked to genetic background of an individual. Although a number of potential ozone susceptibility genes have been identified, additional better designed and controlled studies are needed to ascertain the link between susceptibility and polymorphism.

Pretreatment of healthy young subjects with inhaled corticosteroids (2 × 800 µg/day budesonide, a maximal clinical dose) for 2 weeks prior to O_3 exposure (0.4 ppm/2 h, alternating 20 min exercise at 50W with 10 min rest) had no apparent effect on a typical lung function decline or inflammatory response to exposure. Because of the complexity of the protocol, the study was not a cross-over design and no control air exposures were conducted. Both the placebo and treatment conditions caused the same magnitude of changes. Similarly, nonspecific bronchial reactivity to methacholine (PC_{20} FEV_1) was increased about the same 4 h after exposure. Neither absolute nor relative sputum cell counts were affected by budesonide treatment and O_3 induced a typical neutrophilic response in both groups. Upregulation of pro-inflammatory mediators measured in sputum was not different between the groups either. The markers of inflammation and oxidative stress, exhaled NO and CO, as well as the reactive product nitrite measured in exhaled breath condensate, respectively, were not significantly influenced by budesonide. However, considering all these findings as a whole, budesonide seemed to have a moderating, although not statistically significant, effect on O_3-induced response (Nightingale et al., 2000). Budesonide is an anti-inflammatory drug that in laboratory animal studies partially suppressed neutrophilic inflammation caused by O_3 (Stevens et al., 1994). Because the dose of budesonide was at therapeutic maximal levels, the pharmacologic action of this drug and the site of action of O_3 do not apparently coincide.

AX6.6 REPEATED EXPOSURES TO OZONE

Repeated daily exposure to O_3 in the laboratory for 4 or 5 days leads to attenuated changes in pulmonary function responses and symptoms (Hackney et al., 1977a; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986, 1996). A summary of studies investigating FEV_1 responses to repeated daily exposure for up to 5 days is given in Table AX6-8. The FEV_1 responses to repeated O_3 exposure typically have shown an increased response on the second exposure day (Day 2) compared to the initial (Day 1) exposure response. This is readily apparent in repeated exposures to a range of concentrations from 0.4 to 0.5 ppm O_3 accompanied by moderate exercise (Folinsbee et al., 1980; Horvath et al., 1981; Linn et al., 1982), and at lower concentrations, 0.20 to 0.35 ppm, when accompanied by heavy exercise (Brookes et al., 1989; Folinsbee and Horvath, 1986; Foxcroft and Adams, 1986; Schonfeld et al., 1989). Mechanisms for enhanced pulmonary function responses on Day 2 have not been established, although persistence of acute O_3-induced damage for greater than 24 h may be important (Folinsbee et al., 1993). An enhanced Day 2 FEV_1 response was less obvious or absent in exposures at lower concentrations or those that caused relatively small group mean O_3-induced decrements. For example, Bedi et al. (1988) found no enhancement of the relatively small pulmonary function responses in older subjects (median age, 65 years) exposed repeatedly to O_3. Three reports (Bedi et al., 1985; Folinsbee and Horvath, 1986; Schonfeld et al., 1989) demonstrated that enhanced pulmonary function responsiveness was present within 12 h, lasted for at least 24 h and possibly 48 h, but was absent after 72 h.

After 3 to 5 days of consecutive daily exposures to O_3, FEV_1 responses are markedly diminished or absent. One study (Horvath et al., 1981) suggested that the rapidity of this decline in FEV_1 response was related to the magnitude of the subjects' initial responses to O_3 or their "sensitivity." A summary of studies examining the effects of repeated exposures to O_3 on FEV_1 and other pulmonary function, symptoms, and airway inflammation is given in Table AX6-9. Studies examining persistence of the attenuation of pulmonary function responses following 4 days of repeated exposure (Horvath et al., 1981; Kulle et al., 1982; Linn et al., 1982) indicate that attenuation is relatively short-lived, being partially reversed within 3 to 7 days and typically abolished within 1 to 2 weeks. Repeated exposures separated by 1 week (for up to 6 weeks) apparently do not induce attenuation of the pulmonary function response (Linn et al., 1982). Gong et al. (1997b) studied the effects of repeated exposure to 0.4 ppm O_3 in a group of mild

Table AX6-8. Changes in Forced Expiratory Volume in One Second After Repeated Daily Exposure to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Percent Change in FEV_1 on Consecutive Exposure Days					References[d]
ppm	µg/m³			First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	
0.12	235	6.6 h, IE (40)	17 M	−12.79	−8.73	−2.54	−0.6	0.2	Folinsbee et al. (1994)
0.20	392	2 h, IE (30)	10 M	+1.4	+2.7	−1.6	—	—	Folinsbee et al. (1980)
0.20	392	2 h, IE (18 and 30)	8 M, 13 F	−3.0	−4.5	−1.1	—	—	Gliner et al. (1983)
0.20	392	2 h, IE (18 and 30)	9	−8.7	−10.1	−3.2	—	—	Gliner et al. (1983)
0.20	392	1 h, CE (60)	15 M	−5.02	−7.8	—	—	—	Brookes et al. (1989)
0.25	490	1 h, CE (63)	4 M, 2 F	−20.2	−34.8	—	—	—	Folinsbee and Horvath (1986)
			5 M, 2 F	−18.8	—	−22.3	—	—	
0.35	686	2 h, IE (30)	10 M	−5.3	−5.0	−2.2	—	—	Folinsbee et al. (1980)
0.35	686	1 h, CE (60)	8 M	−31.0	−41.0	−33.0	−25.0	—	Foxcroft and Adams (1986)
0.35	686	1 h, CE (60)	10 M	−16.1	−30.4	—	—	—	Schonfeld et al. (1989)
			10 M	−14.4	—	−20.6	—	—	
0.35	686	1 h, CE (60)	15 M	−15.9	−24.6	—	—	—	Brookes et al. (1989)
0.40	784	3 h, IE (4-5 × resting)	13 M[f]	−9.2	−10.8	−5.3	−0.7	−1.0	Kulle et al. (1982)
0.40	784	3 h, IE (4-5 × resting)	11 F[f]	−8.8	−12.9	−4.1	−3.0	−1.6	Kulle et al. (1982)
0.4	784	2 h, IE (65)	8 M	−18.0	−29.9	−21.1	−7.0	−4.4	Folinsbee et al. (1998)
0.4	784	3 h, IE (32)	8 M, 2 F[h]	−34.7	−31.1	−18.5	−12.0	−6.2	Gong et al. (1997b)
0.42	823	2 h, IE (30)	24 M	−21.1	−26.4	−18.0	−6.3	−2.3	Horvath et al. (1981)
0.45	882	2 h, IE (27)	1 M, 5 F	−13.3	—	−22.8	—	—	Bedi et al. (1985)
0.45	882	2 h, IE (27)	10 M, 6 F	−5.8	−5.6	−1.9	—	—	Bedi et al. (1989)
0.47	921	2 h, IE (3 × resting)	8 M, 2 F[g]	−11.4	−22.9	−11.9	−4.3	—	Linn et al. (1982)
0.5	980	2 h, IE (30)	8 M	−8.7	−16.5	−3.5	—	—	Folinsbee et al. (1980)
0.5	980	2.5 h, IE (2 × resting)	6	−2.7	−4.9	−2.4	−0.7	—	Hackney et al. (1977a)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.
[c]Exposure duration and intensity of IE or CE were variable; $\dot{V}_E$ (number in parentheses) given in liters per minute or as a multiple of resting ventilation.
[d]For a more complete discussion of these studies, see Table AX6-9 and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1986).
[e]Subjects were especially sensitive on prior exposure to 0.42 ppm O_3 as evidenced by a decrease in FEV_1 of more than 20%. These nine subjects are a subset of the total group of 21 individuals used in this study.
[f]Bronchial reactivity to a methacholine challenge also was studied.
[g]Seven subjects completed entire experiment.
[h]Subjects had mild asthma.

Table AX6-9. Pulmonary Function Effects with Repeated Exposures to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.25	490	2 h IE, (30 min rest, 30 min exercise), $\dot{V}_E$ = 39 L/min	21.4 °C 43.9% RH 4 days consecutive FA exposure; 4 days consecutive O_3 exposure	5 M, 3 F	Healthy, NS	FVC and FEV_1 decrements were significantly attenuated on Day 4 of O_3 exposure compared to day 1 of O_3 exposure. Significant small airway function depression accompanied by significant neutrophilia in BALF one day following the end of O_3 exposure.	Frank et al. (2001)
0.2	392	4 h IE (4 × 30 min exercise), $\dot{V}_E$ = 14.8 L/min/m^2 BSA	1 day FA, 1 day, O_3; 4 days consecutive exposure to O_3	15 M, 8 F	Healthy, NS 21 to 35 years old	FEV_1 decrement and symptoms significantly reduced on Day 4 of O_3 exposure compared to Day 1 of O_3 exposure. Airway inflammation of mucosa persisted on Day 4 although some inflammatory markers in BALF attenuated significantly.	Jörres et al. (2000)
0.2	392	4 h IE (4 × 30 min exercise), $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 L/min/m^2 BSA	20 °C 50% RH (1 day, O_3; 4 days consecutive exposure to O_3	9 M, 6 F	Healthy, NS 23 to 37 years old	Significant decrease in FVC, FEV_1, SRaw, and symptoms on Day 4 of O_3 exposure compared to a single day of O_3 exposure. Number of PMNs, fibronectin, and IL6 in BALF were significantly decreased on Day 4 compared to a single day of O_3 exposure.	Christian et al. (1998)
0.4	784	3h/day for 5 days IE (15 min rest, 15 min exercise) $\dot{V}_E$ = 32 L/min	31 °C 35% RH 5 consecutive days plus follow up @ 4 or 7 days	8 M, 2 F	Mild asthma adult	FEV_1 decreased 35% on day 1 and only 6% on day 5. Bronchial reactivity increased after day 1 and remained elevated. Adaptation of asthmatics is similar to healthy subjects but may be slower and less complete.	Gong et al. (1997b)
0.12	235	6.6 h 50 min exercise/10 min rest, 30 min lunch $\dot{V}_E$ = 38.8 L/min	18 °C 40% RH five consecutive daily exposures	17 M	Healthy NS	FEV_1 responses were maximal on first day of exposure (−13%), less on second day (−9%), absent thereafter. Symptoms only the first 2 days. Methacholine airway responsiveness was at least doubled on all exposure days, but was highest on the second day of O_3. Airway responsiveness was still higher than air control after 5 days of O_3 exposure. Trend to lessened response, but it was not achieved after 5 days.	Folinsbee et al. (1994)

Table AX6-9 (cont'd). Pulmonary Function Effects with Repeated Exposures to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.4	784	2 h IE (15 min rest, 15 min exercise $\dot{V}_E \approx 60$ L/min	5 days consecutive O_3 exposure	16 M	Healthy NS	O_3-exposure FEV_1 decrement was greater on day 2, 29.9%, than day 1, 18.0%, then decreased on day 3, 21.1%, day 4, 7% and day 5, 4.4%	Folinsbee et al. (1998) Devlin et al. (1997)
0.45	882	2 h IE (3 × 20 min exercise) $\dot{V}_E = 27$ L/min	23.3 °C 63% RH Exposed for 3 consecutive days, not exposed for 2 days, then exposed to 0.45 ppm again for 1 day	10 M, 6 F	Healthy NS 60 to 89 years old median 65 years old; mean FVC = 3.99 L; mean FEV_1 = 3.01 L; FEV_1/FVC range = 61 to 85%	Overall increase in symptoms, but no single symptom increased significantly. FVC decreased 111 mL and 104 mL on Days 1 and 2, respectively. FEV_1 fell by 171 and 164 mL, and FEV_3 fell by 185 and 172 mL. No significant changes on Days 3 and 4 or with FA. FEV_1 changes were −5.8, −5.6, −1.9, and −1.7% on the four O_3 days.	Bedi et al. (1989)
0.20/0.20 0.35/0.20 0.35/0.35	392/392 686/392 686/686	1 h CE at 60 L/min	21 to 25 °C 40 to 60% RH (three 2-day sets of exposures)	15 M	Healthy aerobically trained NS, FVC = 4.24 to 6.98 L	Consecutive days of exposure to 0.20 ppm produced similar FEV_1 responses on each day (−5.02, −7.80); 0.35/0.20 ppm pair caused increased response to 0.20 ppm on second day (−8.74); 0.35/0.35 ppm caused much increased response on Day 2 (−15.9, −24.6). Symptoms were worse on the second exposure to 0.35 ppm, but not with second exposure to 0.20 ppm.	Brookes et al. (1989)
0.35	686	60 min CE $\dot{V}_E = 60$ L/min	21 to 25 °C 40 to 60% RH (two exposures for each subject separated by 24, 48, 72, or 120 h)	40 M (4 groups of 10)	NS; nonallergic, non-Los Angeles residents for >6 mo; =25 years old	No differences between responses to exposures separated by 72 or 120 h. Enhanced FEV_1 response at 24 h (−16.1% vs. −30.4%). Possible enhanced response at 48 h (−14.4% vs. −20.6%). Similar trends observed for breathing pattern and SRaw.	Schonfeld et al. (1989)
0.45	882	2 h IE (3 × 20 min exercise) $\dot{V}_E = 26$ L/min	23.3 °C 62.5% RH (three exposures with a minimum 1-week interval)	8 M, 8 F	Healthy NS, 61 years old for M and 65 years old for F (FVC = 4.97 L for M and 3.11 L for F)	Spirometric changes were not reproducible from time to time after O_3 exposure $R < 0.50$). Repeat exposures to air yielded consistent responses.	Bedi et al. (1988)

Table AX6-9 (cont'd). Pulmonary Function Effects with Repeated Exposures to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.18	353	2 h IE (heavy) $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 60 to 70 L/min (35 L/min/m^2 BSA)	31 °C 35% RH (screen exposures in spring 1986; second exposures in summer/fall 1986 and winter 1987 and spring 1987 for responders and nonresponders only)	59 adult Los Angeles residents 12 responsive 13 nonresponsive	Responders: 19 to 40 years old 6 atopic, 2 asthmatic, 4 normal Nonresponders: 18 to 39 years old, 13 normal	Responders had $\Delta FEV_1 = -12.4\%$ after initial screening; nonresponders had no change. Responders had nonsignificant response in late summer or early winter, but were responsive again in early spring (spring 1986, −385 mL; Autumn 1986, −17 mL; winter 1987, +16 mL; spring 1987, −347 mL). Nonresponders did not change with season. Suggests that responders responses may vary with ambient exposure, but nonresponders generally remain nonresponsive.	Linn et al. (1988) (also see Hackney et al., 1989)
0.45 (+0.30 PAN)	882	2 h IE (20 min rest, 20 min exercise) $\dot{V}_E$ = 27 L/min	22 °C 60% RH 5 days consecutive exposure to PAN + O_3	3 M, 5 F	Healthy NS, Mean age = 24 years	FEV_1 decreased ≈19% with O_3 alone, ≈15% on Day 1 of O_3 + PAN, ≈5% on Day 5 of O_3 + PAN, ≈7% 3 days after 5 days of O_3 + PAN, ≈15% after 5 days of O_3 + PAN. Similar to other repeated O_3 exposure studies, O_3 responses peaked after 2 days, were depressed 3 days later, and responses returned 7 days later. PAN probably had no effect on repeated to O_3 exposure responses.	Drechsler-Parks et al. (1987b) (also see Table AX6-14)
0.35	686	≈1 h CE (see paper for details)	22 to 25 °C 35 to 50% RH (1 day FA; 1 day O_3; 4 days consecutive exposure to O_3)	8 M	Aerobically trained healthy NS (some were known O_3 sensitive), 22.4 ± 2.2 years old	Largest FEV_1 decrease on second of 4 days O_3 exposure (−40% mean decrease). Trend for attenuation of pulmonary function response not complete in 4 days. $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ decreased with single acute O_3 exposure (−6%) but was not significant after 4 days of O_3 exposure (−4%). Performance time was less after acute O_3 (211 s) exposure than after FA (253 s).	Foxcroft and Adams (1986)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.

asthmatics and observed a similar pattern of responses as those seen previously in healthy subjects. The attenuation of pulmonary responses reached after 5 days of consecutive O_3 exposure was partially lost at 4 and 7 days postexposure.

In addition to the significant attenuation or absence of pulmonary function responses after several consecutive daily O_3 exposures, symptoms of cough and chest discomfort usually associated with O_3 exposure generally are substantially reduced or absent (Folinsbee et al., 1980, 1994; Foxcroft and Adams, 1986; Linn et al., 1982). Airway responsiveness to methacholine is increased with an initial O_3 exposure (Holtzman et al., 1979; Folinsbee et al., 1988), may be further increased with subsequent exposures (Folinsbee et al.,1994), and shows a tendency for the increased response to diminish with repeated exposure (Dimeo et al., 1981; Kulle et al., 1982). The initially enhanced and then lessened response may be related to changes that occur during the repair of pulmonary epithelia damaged as a consequence of O_3 exposure. Inflammatory responses (Koren et al., 1989a), epithelial damage, and changes in permeability (Kehrl et al., 1987) might explain a portion of these responses. By blocking pulmonary function responses and symptoms with indomethacin pretreatment, Schonfeld et al. (1989) demonstrated that in the absence of an initial response, pulmonary function and symptoms effects were not enhanced on Day 2 by repeated exposure to 0.35 ppm O_3. These results suggest that airway inflammation and the release of cyclooxygenase products of arachidonic acid play a role in the enhanced pulmonary function responses and symptoms observed upon reexposure to O_3 within 48 h.

Response to laboratory O_3 exposure as a function of the season of the year in the South Coast Air Basin of Los Angeles, CA, has been examined in several studies (Avol et al., 1988; Hackney et al., 1989; Linn et al., 1988). Their primary purpose was to determine whether O_3 responsive subjects would remain responsive after regular ambient exposure during the "smog season". The subjects were exposed to 0.18 ppm O_3 for 2 h with heavy IE on four occasions, spring, fall, winter, and the following spring. The marked difference in FEV_1 response between responsive and nonresponsive subjects seen initially (−12.4% versus +1%) no longer was present after the summer smog season (fall test) or 3 to 5 months later (winter test). However, when the subjects were exposed to O_3 during the following spring, the responsive subjects again had significantly larger changes in FEV_1, suggesting a seasonal variation in response.

Brookes et al. (1989) and Gliner et al. (1983) tested whether initial exposure to one O_3 concentration could alter response to subsequent exposure to a different O_3 concentration. Gliner et al. (1983) showed that FEV_1 response to 0.40 ppm O_3 was not influenced by previously being exposed to 0.20 ppm O_3 for 2 h on 3 consecutive days. Brookes et al. (1989) found enhanced FEV_1 and symptoms upon exposure to 0.20 ppm after previous exposure to 0.35 ppm O_3. These observations suggest that, although preexposure to low concentrations of O_3 may not influence responses to higher concentrations, preexposure to a high concentration of O_3 can significantly increase responses to a lower concentration on the following day.

Foxcroft and Adams (1986) demonstrated that decrements in exercise performance seen after 1 h of exposure to 0.35 ppm O_3 with heavy CE were significantly less after 4 consecutive days exposure than they were after a single acute exposure. Further, exercise performance, $\dot{V}O_{2max}$, $\dot{V}_{Emax}$ and HR_{max} were not significantly different after 4 days of O_3 exposure compared to those observed in a FA exposure. Despite the change in exercise performance, Foxcroft and Adams (1986) did not observe a significant attenuation of FEV_1 response, although symptoms were significantly reduced. However, these investigators selected known O_3-sensitive subjects whose FEV_1 decrements exceeded 30% on the first 3 days of exposure. The large magnitude of these responses, the trend for the responses to decrease on the third and fourth day, the decreased symptoms, and the observations by Horvath et al. (1981) that O_3-sensitive subjects adapt slowly, suggest that attenuation of response would have occurred if the exposure series had been continued for another 1 or 2 days. These observations support the contention advanced by Horvath et al. (1981) that the progression of attenuation of response is a function of initial "O_3 sensitivity."

Drechsler-Parks et al. (1987b) examined the response to repeated exposures to 0.45 ppm O_3 plus 0.30 ppm peroxyacetyl nitrate (PAN) in 8 healthy subjects and found similar FEV_1 responses to exposures to O_3 (−19%) and to O_3 plus PAN (−15%). Thus, PAN did not increase responses to O_3. Further, repeated exposure to the PAN plus O_3 mixture resulted in similar changes to those seen with repeated O_3 exposure alone. The FEV_1 responses fell to less than −5% after the fifth day, with the attenuation of response persisting 3 days after the repeated exposures, but being absent after 7 days. These observations suggest that PAN does not influence the attenuation of response to repeated O_3 exposure. If the PAN responses are considered negligible, this study confirms the observation that the attenuation of O_3 responses

with chamber exposures lasts no longer than 1 week. [*More discussion on the interaction of O_3 with other pollutants can be found in Section AX6.11*.]

Folinsbee et al. (1993) exposed a group of 16 healthy males to 0.4 ppm O_3 for 2 h/day on 5 consecutive days. Subjects performed heavy IE ($\dot{V}_E$ = 60 to 70 L/min). Decrements in FEV_1 averaged 18.0, 29.9, 21.1, 7.0, and 4.4% on the 5 exposure days. However, baseline preexposure FEV_1 decreased from the first day's preexposure measurement and was depressed by an average of about 5% by the third day. This study illustrates that, with high-concentration and heavy-exercise exposures, pulmonary function responses may not be completely recovered within 24 h. During this study, BALF also was obtained immediately after the Day 5 exposure, with results reported by Devlin et al. (1997). These authors found that some inflammation and cellular responses associated with acute O_3 exposure were also attenuated after 5 consecutive days of O_3 exposure (compared to historical data for responses after a single-day exposure), although indicators of epithelial cell damage—not seen immediately after acute exposure—were present in BALF after the fifth day of exposure. When reexposed again 2 weeks later, changes in BALF indicated that epithelial cells appeared fully repaired (Devlin et al., 1997).

Frank et al. (2001) exposed 8 healthy young adults to 0.25 ppm O_3 for 2 h with moderate IE (exercise $\dot{V}_E$ = 40 L/min) on 4 consecutive days. In addition to standard pulmonary function measures, isovolumetric FEF_{25-75}, $\dot{V}_{max50}$ and $\dot{V}_{max75}$ were grouped into a single value representing small airway function (SAW_{grp}). Exercise ventilatory pattern was also monitored each day, while peripheral airway resistance was measured by bronchoscopy followed by lavage on Day 5. The authors observed two patterns of functional response in their subjects— attenuation and persistent. Values of FVC and FEV_1 showed significant attenuation by Day 4 compared to Day 1 values. However, SAW_{grp} and rapid shallow breathing during exercise persisted on Day 4 compared to Day 1, and were accompanied by significant neutrophilia in BALF 1 day following the end of O_3 exposure. Frank et al. (2001) suggested that both types of functional response (i.e., attenuation and persistence) are linked causally to inflammation. They contend that the attenuation component is attributable at least in part to a reduction in local tissue dose during repetitive exposure that is likely to result from the biochemical, mechanical, and morphological changes set in motion by inflammation. They speculated that the persistent component represents the inefficiencies incurred through inflammation. Whether the persistent small airway

dysfunction is a forerunner of more permanent change in the event that oxidant stress is extended over lengthy periods of time is unknown.

Early repeated multihour (6 to 8 h) exposures focused on exposures to low concentrations of O_3 between 0.08 and 0.12 ppm (Folinsbee et al., 1994; Horvath et al., 1991; Linn et al., 1994). Horvath et al. (1991) exposed subjects for 2 consecutive days to 0.08 ppm using the 6.6-h prolonged exposure protocol (see Table AX6-2). They observed small pre- to postexposure changes in FEV_1 (−2.5%) on the first day, but no change on the second day. Linn et al. (1994) observed a 1.7% decrease in FEV_1 in healthy subjects after 6.6 h exposure to 0.12 ppm O_3. A second consecutive day exposure to O_3 yielded even smaller (<1%) responses. In a group of asthmatics exposed under similar conditions (Linn et al., 1994), the FEV_1 response on the first day was −8.6% which was reduced to −6.7% on day 2, both significantly greater than those observed for the nonasthmatics group. The observations of Horvath et al. (1991) and Linn et al. (1994) elicited a somewhat different pattern of response (no enhancement of response after the first exposure) than that seen at higher concentrations in 2 h exposures with heavy exercise (Tables AX6-8 and AX6-9). However, the subjects studied by Horvath et al. (1991) were exposed only to 0.08 ppm O_3 and were somewhat older (30 to 43 yrs) than the subjects studied by Folinsbee et al. (1994), mean age of 25 yrs, while the nonasthmatic subjects studied by Linn et al. (1994) were also older (mean = 32 yrs), had lower exercise $\dot{V}_E$ (−20%) and were residents of Los Angeles who often encountered ambient levels of O_3 at or above 0.12 ppm.

Folinsbee et al. (1994) exposed 17 subjects to 0.12 ppm O_3 for 6.6 h, with 50 min of moderately heavy exercise ($\dot{V}_E$ = 39 L/min) each hour, on 5 consecutive days. Compared with FA, the percentage changes in FEV_1 over the five days were −12.8%, −8.7%, −2.5%, −0.06%, and +0.18%. A parallel attenuation of symptoms was observed, but the effect of O_3 in enhancing airway responsiveness (measured by increase in SRaw upon methacholine challenge) over 5 days was not attenuated (3.67, 4.55, 3.99, 3.24, and 3.74, compared to 2.22 in FA control). Nasal lavage revealed no increases in neutrophils except on the first O_3 exposure day.

Christian et al. (1998) exposed 15 adults (6 females and 9 males; mean age = 29.1 yrs) to 4 consecutive days at 0.20 ppm O_3 for 4 h, with 30 mm of IE (exercise $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 L/min/m^2) each hour. Measures of FEV_1, FVC, and symptoms were all significantly reduced on Day 1, further decreased on Day 2, and then attenuated to near FA control values on Day 4. The pattern of SRaw response was similar, being greatest on Day 2 and no different from FA control on Day 4.

BAL was done on Day 5 and showed that neutrophil recruitment to the respiratory tract was attenuated with repeated short-term exposures, compared to Day 1 control O_3 exposure, while airway epithelial injury appeared to continue as reflected by no attenuation of IL-6, IL-8, total protein, and LDH. The authors concluded that such injury might lead to airway remodeling, which has been observed in several animal studies (Brummer et al., 1977; Schwartz et al., 1976; Tepper et al., 1989; Van Bree et al., 1989). In a similar study to that of Christian et al. (1998), Jörres et al. (2000) exposed 23 adults (8 females and 15 males; mean age = 27.9 yrs) on 4 consecutive days to 0.20 ppm O_3 for 4 h, with 30 min of IE (exercise $\dot{V}_E$ = 26 L/min) each hour. The authors observed that FEV_1 was significantly reduced and symptoms were significantly increased on Day 1. On Day 2, FEV_1 was further decreased, while symptoms remained unchanged. By Day 4, both FEV_1 and symptoms were attenuated to near FA, control values. Twenty hours after the Day 4 exposure, BAL and bronchial mucosal biopsies were performed. These authors found via bronchial mucosal biopsies that inflammation of the bronchial mucosa persisted after repeated O_3 exposure, despite attenuation of some inflammatory markers in BALF and attenuation of lung function responses and symptoms. Further, Jörres et al. (2000) observed persistent although small decrease in baseline FEV_1 measured before exposure, thereby suggesting that there are different time scales of the functional responses to O_3, which may reflect different mechanisms. The levels of protein remaining elevated after repeated exposures confirms the findings of others (Christian et al., 1998; Devlin et al., 1997), and suggests that there is ongoing cellular damage irrespective of the attenuation of cellular inflammatory responses with the airways. [*Further discussion on the inflammatory responses to O_3 can be found in Section AX6.9*.]

Based on studies cited here and in the previous O_3 criteria documents (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986, 1996), several conclusions can be drawn about repeated 1- to 2-h O_3 exposures. Repeated exposures to O_3 can cause an enhanced (i.e., greater) lung function response on the second day of exposure. This enhancement appears to be dependent on the interval between the exposures (24 h is associated with the greatest increase) and is absent with intervals >3 days. As shown in Figure AX6-8, an enhanced response also appears to depend on O_3 concentration and to some extent on the magnitude of the initial response. Small responses to the first O_3 exposure are less likely to result in an enhanced response on the second day of O_3 exposure. Repeated daily exposure also results in attenuation of pulmonary function

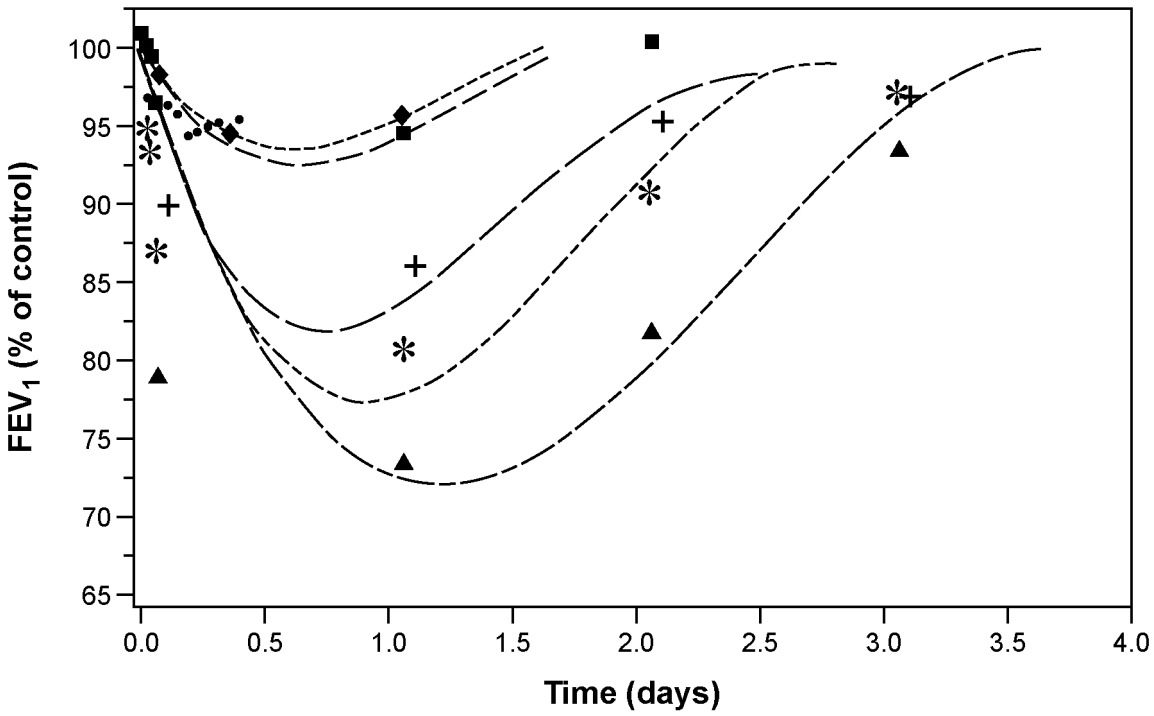

Figure AX6-8. Regression curves were fitted to day-by-day postexposure FEV_1 values obtained after repeated daily acute exposures to O_3 for 2 to 3 h with intermittent exercise at a V_E of 24 to 43 L/min (adaptation studies). Symbols represent the results from individual studies conducted at 0.2 ppm for 2 h (◆), 0.35 ppm for 2 h (■), 0.4 ppm for 2 h (✚), 0.5 ppm for 2 h (✱), and 0.54 ppm for 3 h (▲). Also shown for comparison are the FEV_1 values obtained after exposure to 0.12 ppm O_3 for 10 h (●).

Source: Modified from Hazucha (1993).

responses, typically after 3 to 5 days of exposure. This attenuated response persists for less than 1 week or as long as 2 weeks. In temporal conjunction with the pulmonary function changes, symptoms induced by O_3, such as cough and chest discomfort, also are attenuated with repeated exposure. Ozone-induced changes in airway responsiveness attenuate more slowly than pulmonary function responses and symptoms. Attenuation of the changes in airway responsiveness appear to persist longer than changes in pulmonary function, although this has been studied only on a limited basis. In longer-duration (6.6 h), lower-concentration studies that do not cause an enhanced second-day response, the attenuation of response to O_3 appears to

proceed more rapidly. Inflammatory markers from BALF on the day following both 2 h (Devlin et al., 1997) and 4 h (Christian et al., 1998; Jörres et al., 2000) repeated O_3 exposure for 4 days indicate that there is ongoing cellular damage irrespective of the attenuation of some cellular inflammatory responses of the airways, lung function responses and symptoms.

AX6.7 EFFECTS ON EXERCISE PERFORMANCE

AX6.7.1 Introduction

In an early epidemiologic study examining race performances in Los Angeles area high school cross-country runners, Wayne et al. (1967) observed that endurance exercise performance was depressed by inhalation of ambient oxidant air pollutants. The authors concluded that the detrimental effects of oxidant air pollutants on race performance might have been related to the associated discomfort in breathing, thus limiting the runners' motivation to perform at high levels, although physiologic effects limiting O_2 availability could not be ruled out. Subsequently, the effects of acute O_3 inhalation on endurance exercise performance have been examined in numerous controlled laboratory studies. These studies were discussed in the previous O_3 criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) in two categories: (1) those that examined the effects of acute O_3 inhalation on maximal oxygen uptake ($\dot{V}O_{2max}$) and (2) those that examined the effects of acute O_3 inhalation on the ability to complete strenuous continuous exercise protocols of up to 1 h in duration. In this section, major observations in these studies are briefly reviewed with emphasis on reexamining the primary mechanisms causing decrements in $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ and endurance exercise performance consequent to O_3 inhalation. A summary of major studies of O_3 inhalation effects on endurance exercise performance, together with observed pulmonary function and symptoms of breathing discomfort responses, is given in Table AX6-10.

AX6.7.2 Effect on Maximal Oxygen Uptake

Three early studies (Folinsbee et al., 1977; Horvath et al., 1979; Savin and Adams, 1979) examining the effects of acute O_3 exposures on $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ were reviewed in an earlier O_3 criteria document (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986). Briefly, Folinsbee et al. (1977)

Table AX6-10. Ozone Effects on Exercise Performance[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.06-0.07 0.12-0.13	120-140 245-260	CE ($\dot{V}_E$ = 30 to 120 L/min) 16 to 28 min progressive maximum exercise protocol	23 to 24.5 °C 50 to 53% RH	12 M, 12 F	Athletic	Reduced maximum performance time and increased symptoms of breathing discomfort during O_3 exposure.	Linder et al. (1988)
0.18	353	1 h CE or competitive simulation at mean $\dot{V}_E$ = 94 L/min	NA	# not given; all males	Well-trained distance runners	Maximal treadmill run time reduced from 71.7 min in FA to 66.2 min during O_3 exposure with no decease in arterial O_2 saturation.	Folinsbee et al. (1986)
0.35	686	50 min CE $\dot{V}_E$ = 60 L/min	22 to 25 °C 35 to 50% RH	8 M	Trained nonathletes	V_T decreased, f_B increased with 50-min O_3 exposures; decrease in FVC, FEV_1, FEF_{25-75}, performance time, $\dot{V}O_{2max}$, $\dot{V}_{Emax}$, and HR_{max} from FA to 0.35-ppm O_3 exposure.	Foxcroft and Adams (1986)
0.12 0.20	235 392	1 h CE $\dot{V}_E$ = 89 L/min	31 °C	15 M, 2 F	Highly trained competitive cyclists	Decrease in $\dot{V}_{Emax}$, $\dot{V}O_{2max}$, V_{Tmax}, workload, ride time, FVC, and FEV_1 with 0.20 ppm O_3 exposure, but not significant with 0.12-ppm O_3 exposure, as compared to FA exposure.	Gong et al. (1986)
0.12 0.18 0.24	235 353 470	1 h competitive simulation exposures at mean $\dot{V}_E$ = 87 L/min	23 to 26 °C 45 to 60% RH	10 M	Highly trained competitive cyclists	Decrease in exercise time of 7.7 min and 10.1 min for subjects unable to complete the competitive simulation at 0.18 and 0.24 ppm O_3, respectively; decrease in FVC and FEV_1 for 0.18-and 0.24-ppm O_3 exposure compared with FA exposure.	Schelegle and Adams (1986)
0.21	412	1 h CE at 75% $\dot{V}O_2$max	19 to 21 °C 60 to 70% RH	6 M, 1 F	Well-trained cyclists	Decrease in FVC, FEV_1, FEF_{25-75}, and MVV with 0.21 ppm O_3 compared with FA exposure.	Folinsbee et al. (1984)
0.20 0.35	392 686	1 h CE or competitive simulation at mean $\dot{V}_E$ = 77.5 L/min	23 to 26 °C 45 to 60% RH	10 M	Well-trained distance runners	V_T decreased and f_B increased with continuous 50-min O_3 exposures; decrease in FVC, FEV_1, and FEF_{25-75} from FA to 0.20 ppm and FA to 0.35-ppm O_3 exposure in all conditions; three subjects unable to complete continuous and competitive protocols at 0.35 ppm O_3.	Adams and Schelegle (1983)
0.25 0.50 0.75	490 980 1,470	2 h rest	NA	8 M, 5 F		FVC decreased with 0.50- and 0.75-ppm O_3 exposure compared with FA; 4% nonsignificant decrease in mean $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ following 0.75 ppm O_3 compared with FA exposure.	Horvath et al. (1979)
0.15 0.30	294588	~30 min, progressively incremented exercise to voluntary exhaustion	23 °C 50% RH	9 M	Healthy, NS 21 to 44 years old	Exposure to 0.15 and 0.30 ppm O_3 did not decrease maximal exercise performance or $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ compared to FA. No significant pulmonary function or symptom responses were observed, although a trend ($P < .10$) was evident.	Savin and Adams (1979)
0.75	1,470	2 h IE (4 × 15 min light [50 W] bicycle ergometry)	NA	13 M	4 light S, 9 NS	Decrease in FVC, FEV_1, ERV, IC, and $FEF_{50\%}$ after 1-h 0.75-ppm O_3 exposure; decrease in $\dot{V}O_{2max}$, $\dot{V}_{Tmax}$, $\dot{V}_{Emax}$, maximal workload, and HRmax following 0.75-ppm O_3 exposure compared with FA.	Folinsbee et al. (1977)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.

observed that $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ was significantly decreased (10.5%) following a 2-h exposure to 0.75 ppm O_3 with light (50 Watts) IE. Reduction in $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ was accompanied by a decrease in maximal ventilation, maximal heart rate, and a large decrease in maximal tidal volume. In addition, the 2-h IE O_3 exposure resulted in a 22.3% decrease in FEV_1 and significant symptoms of cough and chest discomfort. In contrast, Horvath et al. (1979) did not observe a change in $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ or other maximal cardiopulmonary endpoints in subjects exposed for 2 h at rest to either 0.50 or 0.75 ppm, although FVC was significantly decreased 10% following the latter exposure. Without preliminary exposure to O_3, Savin and Adams (1979) examined the effects of a 30-min exposure to 0.15 and 0.30 ppm O_3 while performing a progressively incremented exercise test to volitional fatigue (mean = 31.5 min in FA). No significant effect on maximal work time or $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ was observed compared to that observed upon FA exposure. Further, no significant effect on pulmonary function, maximal heart rate, and maximal tidal volume was observed, although maximal $\dot{V}_E$ was significantly reduced 7% in the 0.30 ppm O_3 exposure. Results of these early studies suggest that $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ is reduced if the incremented maximal exercise test is preceded by an O_3 exposure of sufficient total inhaled dose of O_3 to result in significant pulmonary function decrements and symptoms of breathing discomfort.

Using trained nonathletes, Foxcroft and Adams (1986) observed significant ($p < 0.05$) reductions in rapidly incremented $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ exercise performance time (−16.7%), $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ (−6.0%), maximal $\dot{V}_E$ (−15.0%), and maximal heart rate (−5.6%) immediately following an initial 50-min exposure to 0.35 ppm O_3 during heavy CE ($\dot{V}_E$ = 60 L/min). These decrements were accompanied by a significant reduction in FEV_1 (−23%) and the occurrence of marked symptoms of breathing discomfort. Similarly, Gong et al. (1986) found significant reductions in rapidly incremented $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ exercise performance time (−29.7%), $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ (−16.4%), maximal $\dot{V}_E$ (−18.5%), and maximal workload (−7.8%) in endurance cyclists immediately following a 1-h exposure to 0.20 ppm O_3 with very heavy exercise ($\dot{V}_E$ 89 L/min), but not following exposure to 0.12 ppm. Gong et al. (1986) observed only a 5.6% FEV_1 decrement and mild symptoms following exposure to 0.12 ppm, but a large decrement in FEV_1 (−21.6%) and substantial symptoms of breathing discomfort following the 0.20 ppm exposure, which the authors contended probably limited maximal performance and $\dot{V}O_{2max}$.

AX6.7.3 Effect on Endurance Exercise Performance

A number of studies of well trained endurance athletes exposed to O_3 have consistently observed an impairment of 1-h continuous heavy exercise performance of some individuals (Adams and Schelegle, 1983; Avol et al., 1984; Folinsbee et al., 1984; Gong et al., 1986). The performance impairment is indicated by an inability to complete the prescribed O_3 exposures (even at concentrations as low as 0.16 ppm) that subjects were able to complete in FA (Avol et al., 1984). Other indications of impaired endurance exercise performance upon exposure to O_3 include a –7.7% reduced endurance treadmill running time when exposed to 0.18 ppm O_3 (Folinsbee et al., 1986), which was accompanied by significantly decreased FEV_1 and significantly elevated symptoms of breathing discomfort. Another study (Schelegle and Adams, 1986) observed the failure of some trained endurance athletes to complete a 1-h competitive simulation protocol upon exposure to O_3 (30 min warm-up, followed immediately by 30 min at the maximal workload that each subject could just maintain in FA; mean $\dot{V}_E$ = 120 L/min). In this study, all subjects (n = 10) completed the FA exposure, whereas one, five, and seven subjects could not complete the 0.12, 0.18, and 0.24 ppm O_3 exposures, respectively. Following the 0.18 ppm and 0.24 ppm O_3 exposures, but not the 0.12 ppm exposure, FEV_1 was reduced significantly and symptoms were significantly increased. Linder et al. (1988) also observed small decrements in performance time (1 to 2 min) during a progressive maximal exercise test (mean = 21.8 min) at O_3 concentrations of 0.065 and 0.125 ppm. These small effects were accompanied by a significant increase in subjective perception of overall effort at 0.125 ppm, but with no significant reduction in FEV_1 at either O_3 concentration. Collectively, reduced endurance exercise performance and associated pulmonary responses are clearly related to the total inhaled dose of O_3 (Adams and Schelegle, 1983; Avol et al., 1984; Schelegle and Adams, 1986).

Mechanisms limiting $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ and maximal exercise performance upon O_3 exposure have not been precisely identified. Schelegle and Adams (1986) observed no significant effect of O_3 on cardiorespiratory responses, and there was no indirect indication that arterial O_2 saturation was affected. The latter is consistent with the observation that measured arterial O_2 saturation at the end of a maximal endurance treadmill run was not affected by O_3 (Folinsbee et al., 1986). In studies in which O_3 inhalation resulted in a significant decrease in $\dot{V}O_{2max}$, and/or maximal exercise performance, significantly decreased FEV_1 and marked symptoms of breathing

discomfort were observed (Adams and Schelegle, 1983; Avol et al., 1984; Folinsbee et al., 1977, 1984, 1986; Foxcroft and Adams, 1986; Gong et al., 1986; Schelegle and Adams, 1986). However, Gong et al. (1986) observed rather weak correlations between FEV_1 impairment and physiological variable responses during maximal exercise (R = 0.26 to 0.44). Rather, these authors concluded that substantial symptoms of breathing discomfort consequent to 1 h of very heavy exercise while exposed to 0.20 ppm O_3, probably limited maximal performance and $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ either voluntarily or involuntarily (Gong et al., 1986). Strong support for this contention is provided by the observation of significant increases in $\dot{V}O_{2max}$ (4.7%) and maximal performance time (8.8%) following four consecutive days of 1 h exposure to 0.35 ppm O_3 with heavy exercise ($\dot{V}_E$ = 60 L/min) compared to initial O_3 exposure (Foxcroft and Adams, 1986). These improvements, which were not significantly different from those for FA, were accompanied by a significant reduction in symptoms of breathing discomfort with no significant attenuation of FEV_1 and other pulmonary function responses. In this regard, Schelegle et al. (1987) observed a disparate effect of indomethacin pretreatment (an inhibitor of the cyclo-oxygenation of arachidonic acid to prostaglandins associated with inflammatory responses) on O_3-induced pulmonary function response (significant reduction) and an overall rating of perceived exertion and symptoms of pain on deep inspiration and shortness of breath (no significant effect).

AX6.8 EFFECTS ON AIRWAY RESPONSIVENESS

Increased airway responsiveness, also called airway hyperresponsiveness (AHR) or bronchial hyperreactivity, indicates that the airways are more reactive to bronchoconstriction induced by a variety of stimuli (e.g., specific allergens, exercise, SO_2, cold air) than they would be when normoreactive. In order to determine the level of airway responsiveness, airway function (usually assessed by spirometry or plethysmography) is measured after the inhalation of small amounts of an aerosolized specific (e.g., antigen, allergen) or nonspecific (e.g., methacholine, histamine) bronchoconstrictor agent or measured stimulus (e.g., exercise, cold air). The dose or concentration of the agent or stimulus is increased from a control, baseline level (placebo) until a predetermined degree of airway response, such as a 20% drop in FEV_1 or a 100% increase in Raw, has occurred (Cropp et al., 1980; Sterk et al., 1993). The dose or

concentration of the bronchoconstrictor agent that produced the increased responsiveness often is referred to as the "$PD_{20}FEV_1$" or "$PC_{20}FEV_1$" (i.e., the provocative dose or concentration that produced a 20% drop in FEV_1) or the "PD_{100}SRaw" (i.e., the provocative dose that produced a 100% increase in SRaw). A high level of bronchial responsiveness is a hallmark of asthma. The range of nonspecific bronchial responsiveness, as expressed by the PD_{20} for example, is at least 1,000-fold from the most sensitive asthmatics to the least sensitive healthy subjects. Unfortunately, it is difficult to compare the $PD_{20}FEV_1$ or PD_{100}SRaw across studies because of the many different ways of presenting dose response to bronchoconstrictor drugs, for example, by mg/mL, units/mL, and molar solution; or by cumulative dose (CIU or CBU) and doubling dose (DD). Further confounding comparisons by affecting the site of drug delivery, dose, and ultimately bronchial responses, the size of aerosolized agents used in challenges can vary between nebulizers and as a function of supply air pressure in otherwise identical systems. Other typical bronchial challenge tests with nonspecific bronchoconstrictor stimuli are based on exercise intensity or temperature of inhaled cold air.

Increases in nonspecific airway responsiveness were previously reported as an important consequence of exposure to O_3 (e.g., Golden et al., 1978; Table AX6-11). König et al. (1980) and Holtzman et al. (1979) found the increased airway responsiveness after O_3 exposure in healthy subjects appeared to be resolved after 24 h. Because atopic subjects had similar increases in responsiveness to histamine after O_3 exposure as nonatopic subjects, Holtzman et al. (1979) concluded that the increased nonspecific bronchial responsiveness after O_3 exposure was not related to atopy. Folinsbee and Hazucha (1989) showed increased airway responsiveness in 18 female subjects 1 and 18 h after exposure to 0.35 ppm O_3. Taken together, these studies suggest that O_3-induced increases in airway responsiveness usually resolve 18 to 24 h after exposure, but may persist in some individuals for longer periods.

Gong et al. (1986) found increased nonspecific airway responsiveness in elite cyclists exercising at competitive levels with O_3 concentrations as low as 0.12 ppm. Folinsbee et al. (1988) found an approximate doubling of the mean methacholine responsiveness in a group of healthy volunteers exposed for 6.6 h to 0.12 ppm O_3. Horstman et al. (1990) demonstrated significant decreases in the PD_{100}SRaw in 22 healthy subjects immediately after a 6.6-h exposure to concentrations of O_3 as low as 0.08 ppm. No relationship was found between O_3-induced changes in airway responsiveness and changes in FVC or FEV_1 (Folinsbee et al., 1988; Aris

TABLE AX6-11. Airway Responsiveness Following Ozone Exposures[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.125 0.250	245 490	3h IE (10 min rest, 15 min exercise on bicycle) $\dot{V}_E$ = 30 L/min	27 °C 50 % RH	5 F, 6 M 20-53 years old 6 F, 16 M 19-48 years old	Mild bronchial asthma Allergic rhinitis	Mean early-phase FEV_1 response and number of ≥20% reductions in FEV_1 were significantly greater after 0.25 ppm O_3 or 4 × 0.125 ppm O_3. Most of the ≥15% late-phase FEV_1 responses occurred after exposure to 4 × 0.125 ppm O_3, as well as significant inflammatory effects, as indicated by increased sputum eosinophils (asthma and allergic rhinitis) and increased sputum lymphocytes, mast cell tryptase, histamine, and LDH (asthma only).	Holz et al. (2002)
0.125	245	3h IE × 4 days					
0.4	784	2 h IE $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	NA	6 F 1 M 19-26 years old	Stable mild asthma; no meds 8 h preexposure	Increased bronchial responsiveness to methacholine 16 h after exposure; inhaled apocynin treatment significantly reduced O_3-induced airway responsiveness.	Peters et al. (2001)
0.12	235	45 min IE exercise, rest, exercise $\dot{V}_E$ = 3 × resting	60% RH	12 F 5 M 19-38 years old	Physician diagnosed asthma; SO_2-induced airway hyperreactivity	The authors concluded O_3 exposure increases bronchial responsiveness to SO_2 in asthmatics and that antioxidant supplementation has a protective effects against this responsiveness, especially in the "more-severe" responders.	Trenga et al. (2001)
0.2	392	4 h IE $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 L/min/m^2 BSA	20 °C 62% RH	4F 8M 23-47 years old	Healthy nonsmokers	Increased sputum total cells, % neurtophils, IL-6, and IL-8 at 18 h after exposure; increased airway responsiveness to methacholine 2 h after postexposure FEV_1 returned to 5% of base-line; no anti-inflammatory effect of azithromycin.	Criqui et al. (2000)
0.4	784	2 h IE 40 min/h @ 50 W	NA	15 healthy subjects ; 9 F, 6 M; 31.1 ± 2.1 years old	Healthy; nonatopic	Decreased FEV_1 and FVC; increased bronchial reactivity to methacholine 4 h postexposure; no protection from inhaled corticosteroid, budesonide.	Nightingale et al. (2000)
0.16	314	7.6 h IE 50 min/h $\dot{V}_E$ ≅25 l/min	22˚C 40% RH	5 F 4 M	Mild atopic asthma, HMD sensitive, 20-35 years old	Mean 9.1% FEV_1 decrease 18 h after O_3 exposure; provocative dose of dust mite allergen decreased from 10.3 to 9.7 dose units.	Kehrl et al. (1999)

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Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.2	392	4 h IE 40 min/h @ 50 W	NA	10 asthmatic (6 F, 4 M), 26.6 ± 2.3 years old; 10 healthy (4 F, 6 M), 27.3 ± 1.4 years old.	Mild atopic asthma; nonatopic healthy subjects; no meds 8 weeks pre-exposure	Decreased FEV_1 in asthmatic (9.3%) and healthy (6.7%) subjects; increased sputum neutrophils in both groups (NS); no change in methacholine airway reactivity 24 h postexposure.	Nightingale et al. (1999)
0.12 Air-antigen	235	1 h rest	NA	6 F 9 M	Mild allergic asthma; 18 to 49 years if age	No effect of O3 on airway response to grass or ragweed allergen.	Hanania et al. (1998)
0.4	784	2 h IE $\dot{V}_E$= 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	NA	5F 1M 18-27 years old	Stable mild asthma; no meds 8 h preexposure	Increased airway responsiveness to methacholine 16 h postexposure; no effect of proteinase inhibitor, rALP.	Hiltermann et al. (1998)
0.2	392	4 h IE 50 min/h $\dot{V}_E$ = 25 L/min/m^2 BSA	20 °C 50% RH	6 F 12 M 18-36 years old	Physician-diagnosed mild asthma; no meds prior to exposure	Decreased FEV_1 and FVC, increased SRaw; lower respiratory Sx; increased % neutrophils, total protein, LDH, fibronectin, IL-8, GM-CSF, and MPO in BAL. Correlation between pre-exposure methacholine challenge and O_3-induced SRaw increase.	Balmes et al. (1997); Scannell et al. (1996)
0.4	784	3 h/d for 5 days; alternating 15 min of rest and exercise at $\dot{V}_E$ = 32 L/min	31 °C 35% RH	2 F 8 M 19-48 years old	Mild asthma requiring only occasional bronchodilator therapy	Significant FEV_1 and Sx response on 1st and 2nd O_3 exposure days, then diminishing with continued exposure; tolerance partially lost 4 and 7 days postexposure; bronchial reactivity to methacholine peaked on 1st O_3 exposure day, but remained elevated with continued exposure.	Gong et al. (1997b)
0.12	236	Rest	22 °C 40% RH	5 F 10 M	atopic asthma	No effect of O_3 on airway response to grass allergen.	Ball et al. (1996)
0.25	490	3 h IE $\dot{V}_E$ = 30 L/min 15 min ex/ 10 min rest/ 5 min no O_3; every 30 min.	27 °C 54% RH mouthpiece exposure	24 mild asthmatics 11 F / 13 M 12 allergic rhinitics 6 M / 6 F	atopic mild asthmatic NS	Increased allergen responsiveness afer O_3 exposure.	Jörres et al. (1996)

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Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.2	392	4h IE 50 min/10 min exercise/rest each hour	22 °C 50% RH	42 M/24 F	18-50 years NS healthy	FEV_1(−18.6%), FVC (−14.6%), decreased after O_3. Baseline PC_{100} for methacholine was not related to changes in FVC, FEV_1, a weak association was seen for PC_{100} and increased SRaw.	Aris et al. (1995)
0.12	235	1 h R	Ambient T & RH for exposure; 23 °C & 50% RH for exercise challenge	8 F 7 M 19-45 years old	Mild stable asthma	No significant difference in % fall FEV_1 or V_{40p}; no increase in bronchial responsiveness to exercise challenge.	Fernandes et al. (1994)
0.12	235	6.6 h, IE x 5 days 50 min exercise/10 min rest, 30 min lunch $\dot{V}_E$ = 38.8 L/min	18 °C 40% RH	17 M 25 ± 4 years old	Healthy nonsmokers	FEV_1 responses were maximal on 1st day of exposure (−13%), less on second day (−9%), absent thereafter. Sx responses only the first 2 days. Methacholine airway responsiveness was at least doubled on all exposure days, but was highest on the second day of O_3.	Folinsbee et al. (1994)
0.10 0.25 0.40	196 490 785	1 h light IE 2 × 15 min on treadmill $\dot{V}_E$ = 27 L/min	21 °C 40% RH	9 F 12 M 19-40 years old	Stable mild asthmatics with FEV_1 >70% and methacholine responsiveness	No significant differences in FEV_1 or FVC were observed for 0.10 and 0.25 ppm O_3-FA exposures or postexposure exercise challenge; 12 subjects exposed to 0.40 ppm O_3 showed significant reduction in FEV_1.	Weymer et al. (1994)
Air-antigen 0.12 ppm O_3-antigen		1 h at rest	NA	4 M, 3 F	Asthmatic, 21 to 64 years old	Increased bronchoconstrictor response to inhaled ragweed or grass after O_3 exposure compared to air.	Molfino et al. (1991)
0.08 0.10 0.12	157 196 235	6.6 h IE at ≈39 L/min	18 °C 40% RH	22 M	Healthy NS, 18 to 32 years old	33, 47, and 55% decreases in cumulative dose of methacholine required to produce a 100% increase in SRaw after exposure to O_3 at 0.08, 0.10, and 0.12 ppm, respectively.	Horstman et al. (1990)

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Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.12 ppm O_3-100 ppb SO_2 0.12 ppm O_3-0.12 ppm O_3 Air-100 ppb SO_2		45 min in first atmosphere and 15 min in second IE	22 °C 75% RH	8 M, 5 F	Asthmatic, 12 to 18 years old	Greater declines in FEV_1 and $\dot{V}_{max50\%}$ and greater increase in respiratory resistance after O_3-SO_2 than after O_3-O_3 or air-SO_2.	Koenig et al. (1990)
0.35	686	70 min with IE at 40 L/min	NA	18 F	Healthy NS, 19 to 28 years old	PD_{100} decreased from 59 CIU after air exposure to 41 CIU and 45 CIU, 1 and 18 h after O_3 exposure, respectively.	Folinsbee and Hazucha (1989)
0.40	784	2 h with IE at $\dot{V}_E$ = 53 to 55 L/min	22 °C 50% RH	8 M, 10 F	9 asthmatics (5 F, 4 M), 9 healthy (5 F, 4 M), 18 to 34 years old	Decreased $PC_{100SRaw}$ from 33 mg/mL to 8.5 mg/mL in healthy subjects after O_3. $PC_{100SRaw}$ fell from 0.52 mg/mL to 0.19 mg/mL in asthmatic subjects after exposure to O_3 and from 0.48 mg/mL to 0.27 mg/mL after exposure to air.	Kreit et al. (1989)
0.12	235	6.6 h with IE at ≈25 L/min/m² BSA	NA	10 M	Healthy NS, 18 to 33 years old	Approximate doubling of mean methacholine responsiveness after exposure. On an individual basis, no relationship between O_3-induced changes in airway responsiveness and FEV_1 or FVC.	Folinsbee et al. (1988)
0.12 0.20	235 392	1 h at $\dot{V}_E$ = 89 L/min followed by 3 to 4 min at ≈150 L/min	31 °C 35% RH	15 M, 2 F	Elite cyclists, 19 to 30 years old	Greater than 20% increase in histamine responsiveness in one subject at 0.12 ppm O_3 and in nine subjects at 0.20 ppm O_3.	Gong et al. (1986)
0.40	784	3 h/day for 5 days in a row		13 M, 11 F	Healthy NS, 19 to 46 years old	Enhanced response to methacholine after first 3 days, but this response normalized by Day 5.	Kulle et al. (1982)
0.20 0.40 0.40	392 784 784	2 h with IE at 2 × resting 2 h with IE at 2 × resting 2 h/day for 3 days	22 °C 55% RH	12 M, 7 F	Healthy NS, 21 to 32 years old	110% increase in ΔSRaw to a 10-breath histamine (1.6%) aerosol challenge after exposure to O_3 at 0.40 ppm, but no change at 0.20 ppm. Progressive adaptation of this effect over 3-day exposure.	Dimeo et al. (1981)

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Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3						
0.10 0.32 1.00	196 627 1,960	2 h	NA	14	Health NS, 24 ± 2 years old	Increased airway responsiveness to methacholine immediately after exposure at the two highest concentrations of O_3.	König et al. (1980)
0.60	1,176	2 h with IE at 2 × resting	22 °C 55% RH	11 M, 5 F	9 atopic, 7 nonatopic, NS, 21 to 35 years old	Ten-breath methacholine or histamine challenge increased SRaw ≥150% in 16 nonasthmatics after O_3. On average, the atopic subjects had greater responses than the nonatopic subjects. The increased responsiveness resolved after 24 h. Atropine premedication blocked the O_3-induced increase in airway responsiveness.	Holtzman et al. (1979)
0.6	1,176	2 h at rest	NA	5 M, 3 F	Healthy NS, 22 to 30 years old	300% increase in histamine-induced ΔRaw 5 min after O_3 exposure; 84 and 50% increases 24 h and 1 week after exposure ($p > 0.05$), respectively. Two subjects had an increased response to histamine 1 week after exposure.	Golden et al. (1978)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.

et al., 1995), suggesting that changes in airway responsiveness and spirometric volumes occur by different mechanisms.

Dimeo et al. (1981) were the first to investigate attenuation of the O_3-induced increases in nonspecific airway responsiveness after repeated O_3 exposure. Over 3 days of a 2 h/day exposure to 0.40 ppm O_3, they found progressive attenuation of the increases in airway responsiveness such that, after the third day of O_3 exposure, histamine airway responsiveness was no longer different from the sham exposure levels. Kulle et al. (1982) found that there was a significantly enhanced response to methacholine after the first 3 days of exposure, but this response slowly normalized by the end of the fifth day. Folinsbee et al. (1994) found a more persistent effect of O_3 on airway responsiveness which was only partially attenuated after 5 consecutive days of O_3 exposure.

The occurrence and duration of increased nonspecific airway responsiveness following O_3 exposure could have important clinical implications for asthmatics. Kreit et al. (1989) investigated changes in airway responsiveness to methacholine that occur after O_3 exposure in mild asthmatics. They found that the baseline PC_{100}SRaw declined from 0.52 to 0.19 mg/mL after a 2-h exposure to 0.40 ppm O_3, as compared to a decline from 0.48 to 0.27 mg/mL after air exposure; however, because of the large variability in responses of the asthmatics, the percent decrease from baseline in mean PC_{100}SRaw was not statistically different between healthy and asthmatic subjects (74.2 and 63.5%, respectively).

Two studies examined the effects of preexposure to O_3 on exacerbation of exercise-induced bronchoconstriction (Fernandes et al., 1994; Weymer et al., 1994). Fernandes et al. (1994) preexposed subjects with stable mild asthma and a history of >15% decline in FEV_1 after exercise to 0.12 ppm O_3 for 1 h at rest followed by a 6-min exercise challenge test and found no significant effect on either the magnitude or time course of exercise-induced bronchoconstriction. Similarly, Weymer et al. (1994) observed that preexposure to either 0.10 or 0.25 ppm O_3 for 60 min while performing light IE did not enhance or produce exercise-induced bronchoconstriction in otherwise healthy adult subjects with stable mild asthma. Although the results suggested that preexposure to O_3 neither enhances nor produces exercise-induced asthma in asthmatic subjects, the relatively low total inhaled doses of O_3 used in these studies limit the ability to draw any definitive conclusions.

Gong et al. (1997b) found that subjects with asthma developed tolerance to repeated O_3 exposures in a manner similar to normal subjects; however, there were more persistent effects of O_3 on airway responsiveness, which only partially attenuated when compared to filtered air controls. Volunteer subjects with mild asthma requiring no more than bronchodilator therapy were exposed to filtered air or 0.4 ppm O_3, 3 h/d for 5 consecutive days, and follow-up exposures 4 and 7 days later. Symptom and FEV_1 responses were large on the 1st and 2nd exposure days, and diminished progressively toward filtered air responses by the 5^{th} exposure day. A methacholine challenge was performed when postexposure FEV_1 returned to within 10% of preexposure baseline levels. The first O_3 exposure significantly decreased $PD_{20}FEV_1$ by an order of magnitude and subsequent exposures resulted in smaller decreases, but they were still significantly different from air control levels. Thus, the effects of consecutive O_3 exposures on bronchial reactivity differ somewhat from the effects on lung function. The same conclusion was drawn by Folinsbee et al. (1994) after consecutive 5-day O_3 exposures in healthy subjects, despite a much lower bronchial reactivity both before and after O_3 exposure.

A larger number of studies examined the effects of O_3 on exacerbation of antigen-induced asthma. Molfino et al. (1991) were the first to report the effects of a 1-h resting exposure to 0.12 ppm O_3 on the response of subjects with mild, stable atopic asthma to a ragweed or grass allergen inhalation challenge. Allergen challenges were performed 24 h after air and O_3 exposure. Their findings suggested that allergen-specific airway responsiveness of mild asthmatics is increased after O_3 exposure. However, Ball et al. (1996) and Hanania et al. (1998) were unable to confirm the findings of Molfino et al. (1991) in a group of grass-sensitive mild allergic asthmatics exposed to 0.12 ppm O_3 for 1 h. The differences between Hanania et al. (1998) and Molfino et al. (1991), both conducted in the same laboratory, were due to better, less variable control of the 1 h 0.12 ppm O_3 exposure and better study design by Hanania and colleagues. In the original, Molfino et al. (1991) study, the control (air) and experimental (O_3) exposures were not randomized after the second subject because of long-lasting (3 months), O_3-induced potentiation of airway reactivity in that subject. For safety reasons, therefore, the air exposures were performed prior to the O_3 exposures for the remaining 5 of 7 subjects being evaluated. It is possible that the first antigen challenge caused the significant increase in the second (post-O_3) antigen challenge.

Jörres et al. (1996) later confirmed that higher O_3 concentrations cause increased airway reactivity to specific antigens in subjects with mild allergic asthma, and to a lesser extent in subjects with allergic rhinitis, after exposure to 0.25 ppm O_3 for 3 h. The same laboratory repeated this study in separate groups of subjects with asthma and rhinitis and found similar enhancement of allergen responsiveness after O_3 exposure (Holz et al., 2002); however, the effects of a 3-h exposure to 0.25 ppm O_3 were more variable, most likely due to performing the allergen challenges 20 h after exposure, rather than the 3 h used in the first study.

The timing of allergen challenges in O_3-exposed subjects with allergic asthma is important. Bronchial provocation with allergen, and subsequent binding with IgE antibodies on mast cells in the lungs, triggers the release of histamine and leukotrienes and a prompt early-phase contraction of the smooth muscle cells of the bronchi, causing a narrowing of the lumen of the bronchi and a decrease in bronchial airflow (i.e., decreased FEV_1). In many asthma patients, however, the release of histamine and leukotrienes from the mast cells also attracts an accumulation of inflammatory cells, especially eosinophils, followed by the production of mucus and a late-phase decrease in bronchial airflow for 4 to 8 h.

A significant finding from the study by Holz et al. (2002) was that clinically relevant decreases in FEV_1 ($\geq$20%) occurred during the early-phase allergen response in subjects with rhinitis after a consecutive 4-day exposure to 0.125 ppm O_3. Kehrl et al. (1999) previously found an increased reactivity to house dust mite antigen in asthmatics 16 to 18 h after exposure to 0.16 ppm O_3 for 7.6 hours. These important observations indicate that O_3 not only causes immediate increases in airway-antigen reactivity, but that this effect may persist for at least 18 to 20 h. Ozone exposure, therefore, may be a clinically important co-factor in the response to airborne bronchoconstrictor substances in individuals with pre-existing allergic asthma. It is plausible that this phenomenon could contribute to increased symptom exacerbations and, even, consequent increased physician or ER visits, and possible hospital admissions (*see Chapter 7*).

A number of human studies, especially more recent ones, have been undertaken to determine various aspects of O_3-induced increases in nonspecific airway responsiveness, but most studies have been conducted in laboratory animals (*See the toxicology chapter, Section 5.3.4.4.*). In humans, increased airway permeability (Kehrl et al., 1987; Molfino et al., 1992) could play a role in increased airway responsiveness. Inflammatory cells and mediators also could affect changes in airway responsiveness. The results of a multiphase study (Scannell

et al., 1996; Balmes et al., 1997) showed a correlation between preexposure methacholine responsiveness in healthy subjects and increased SRaw caused by a 4 h exposure to 0.2 ppm O_3, but not with O_3-induced decreases in FEV_1 and FVC. The O_3-induced increase in SRaw, in turn, was correlated with O_3-induced increases in neutrophils and total protein concentration in BAL fluid. Subjects with asthma had a significantly greater inflammatory response to the same O_3 exposures, but it was not correlated with increased SRaw, and nonspecific airway provocation was not measured. Therefore, it is difficult to determine from this series of studies if underlying airway inflammation plays a role in increased airway responsiveness to nonspecific bronchoconstrictors. The study, however, confirmed an earlier observation (e.g., Balmes et al., 1996) that O_3-induced changes in airway inflammation and lung volume measurements are not correlated.

Hiltermann et al. (1998) reported that neutrophil-derived serine proteinases associated with O_3-induced inflammation are not important mediators for O_3-induced nonspecific airway hyperresponsiveness. Subjects with mild asthma, prescreened for O_3-induced airway responsiveness to methacholine, were administered an aerosol of recombinant antileukoprotease (rALP) or placebo at hourly intervals two times before and six times after exposure to filtered air or 0.4 ppm O_3 for 2 h. Methacholine challenges were performed 16 h after exposure. Treatment with rALP had no effect on the O_3-induced decrease in FEV_1 or $PC_{20}FEV_1$ in response to methacholine challenge. The authors speculated that proteinase-mediated tissue injury caused by O_3 may not be important in the development of airway hyperresponsiveness of asthmatics to O_3. In a subsequent study using a similar protocol (Peters et al., 2001), subjects with mild asthma were administered an aerosol of apocynin, an inhibitor of NADPH oxidase present in inflammatory cells such as eosinophils and neutrophils, or a placebo. In this study, methacholine challenge performed 16 h after O_3 exposure showed treatment-related effects on $PC_{20}FEV_1$, without an effect on FEV_1. The authors concluded that apocynin could prevent O_3-induced bronchial hyperresponsiveness in subjects with asthma, possibly by preventing superoxide formation by eosinophils and neutrophils in the larger airways.

Nightingale et al. (1999) reported that exposures of healthy subjects and subjects with mild atopic asthma to a lower O_3 concentration (0.2 ppm) for 4 h caused a similar neutrophilic lung inflammation in both groups but no changes in airway responsiveness to methacholine measured 24 h after O_3 exposure in either group. There were, however, significant decreases in FEV_1 of

6.7 and 9.3% immediately after O_3 exposure in both healthy and asthmatic subjects, respectively. In a subsequent study, a significant increase in bronchoresponsiveness to methacholine was reported 4 h after healthy subjects were exposed to 0.4 ppm O_3 for 2 h (Nightingale et al., 2000). In the latter study, preexposure treatment with inhaled budesonide (a corticosteroid) did not protect against O_3-induced effects on spirometry, methacholine challenge, or sputum neutrophils. These studies also confirm the earlier reported findings that O_3-induced increases in airway responsiveness usually resolve by 24 h after exposure.

Ozone-induced airway inflammation and hyperresponsiveness were used by Criqui et al. (2000) to evaluate anti-inflammatory properties of the macrolide antibiotic, azithromycin. In a double-blind, cross-over study, healthy volunteers were exposed to 0.2 ppm O_3 for 4 h after pretreatment with azithromycin or a placebo. Sputum induction 18 h postexposure resulted in significantly increased total cells, percent neutrophils, IL-6, and IL-8 in both azithromycin- and placebo-treated subjects. Significant pre- to postexposure decreases in FEV_1 and FVC also were found in both subject groups. Airway responsiveness to methacholine was not significantly different between azithromycin-treated and placebo-treated subjects when they were challenged 2 h after postexposure FEV_1 decrements returned to within 5 % of baseline. Thus, azithromycin did not have anti-inflammatory effects in this study.

The effects of dietary antioxidants on O_3-induced bronchial responsiveness to SO_2 provocation were evaluated in adult asthmatic subjects by Trenga et al. (2001). *This study and potential interpretative problems are discussed in detail in Section AX6.5.6.* Briefly, 17 adult asthmatic subjects sensitive to SO_2 provocation took vitamin supplements (400 IU vitamin E and 500 mg vitamin C) or placebo once a day for 5 weeks. After the fourth and fifth weeks of vitamin or placebo, subjects were randomly exposed to FA and 0.12 ppm O_3 for 45 min during IE ($\dot{V}_E \approx 3\times$ resting rate) followed by two sequential 10 min exposures to 0.1 and 0.25 ppm SO_2. Vitamin treatment was not associated with decreased bronchial responsiveness following the 0.1 ppm SO_2 challenge. However, the change in spirometric responses (FEV_1, FVC, FEF_{25-75}, and PEF) between the 0.1 and 0.25 ppm SO_2 challenges were more severe for the placebo than the vitamin treatment regimen ($p = 0.009$). The authors concluded O_3 exposure increases bronchial responsiveness to SO_2 in asthmatics and that antioxidant supplementation has a protective effect against this responsiveness.

AX6.9 EFFECTS ON INFLAMMATION AND HOST DEFENSE

AX6.9.1 Introduction

In general, inflammation can be considered as the host response to injury, and the induction of inflammation can be accepted as evidence that injury has occurred. Several outcomes are possible: (1) inflammation can resolve entirely; (2) continued acute inflammation can evolve into a chronic inflammatory state; (3) continued inflammation can alter the structure or function of other pulmonary tissue, leading to diseases such as fibrosis or emphysema; (4) inflammation can alter the body's host defense response to inhaled microorganisms; and (5) inflammation can alter the lung's response to other agents such as allergens or toxins. At present, it is known that short-term exposure of humans to O_3 can cause acute inflammation and that long-term exposure of laboratory animals results in a chronic inflammatory state (see Chapter 5). However, the relationship between repetitive bouts of acute inflammation in humans caused by O_3 and the development of chronic respiratory disease is unknown.

Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) using fiberoptic bronchoscopy has been utilized to sample cells and fluids lining the respiratory tract primarily from the alveolar region, although the use of small volume lavages or balloon catheters permits sampling of the airways. Cells and fluid can be retrieved from the nasal passages using nasal lavage (NL) and brush or scrape biopsy.

Several studies have analyzed BAL and NL fluid and cells from O_3-exposed humans for markers of inflammation and lung damage (see Tables AX6-12 and AX6-13). The presence of neutrophils (PMNs) in the lung has long been accepted as a hallmark of inflammation and is an important indicator that O_3 causes inflammation in the lungs. It is apparent, however, that inflammation within airway tissues may persist beyond the point that inflammatory cells are found in BAL fluid. Soluble mediators of inflammation such as the cytokines (IL-6, IL-8) and arachidonic acid metabolites (e.g., PGE_2, $PGF_{2\alpha}$, thromboxane, and leukotrienes [LTs] such as LTB_4) have been measured in the BAL fluid of humans exposed to O_3. In addition to their role in inflammation, many of these compounds have bronchoconstrictive properties and may be involved in increased airway responsiveness following O_3 exposure.

Some recent evidence suggests that changes in small airways function may provide a sensitive indicator of O_3 exposure and effect (*see Section AX6.2.5*), despite the fact that inherent variability in their measurement by standard spirometric approaches make their assessment difficult. Observations of increased functional responsiveness of these areas relative to the more

Table AX6-12. Studies of Respiratory Tract Inflammatory Effects from Controlled Human Exposure to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Upper Airway Studies						
0.4	784	2 h	At rest	12 mild, asymptomatic dust mite-sensitive asthmatics; 18-35 years of age	Release of early-onset mast cell-derived mediators into NL in response to allergen not enhanced following O_3 exposure. Neutrophil and eosinophil inflammatory mediators were not increased after O_3 exposure or enhanced after allergen challenge. O_3 increased eosinophil influx following allergen exposure.	Michelson et al. (1999)
0.2	392	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 20 L/min/m² BSA	8 M, 5 F healthy NS 20-31 years of age	No neutrophilia in NL samples by 1.5 h postexposure. Depletion of uric acid in NL fluid by 30% during h 2 of exposure with increase in plasma uric acid levels. No depletion of ascorbic acid, reduced glutathione, extracellular superoxide dismutase.	Mudway et al. (1999)
0.4	980	2 h	At rest	10 mild NS asthmatics 18-35 years old	Response to allergen increased (NS). PMN and eosinophils increased after O_3 plus allergen challenge. Ozone alone increased inflammation in the nose.	Peden et al. (1995)
0.12 0.24	235 470	1.5 h	IE (20 L/min) at 15-min intervals	5 M, 5 F, asthmatic; 4 M, 4 F, nonasthmatic; 18 to 41 years old	NL done immediately and 24 h after exposure. Increased number of PMNs at both times in asthmatic subjects exposed to 0.24 ppm O_3; no change in nonasthmatic subjects. No change in lung or nasal function.	McBride et al. (1994)
0.5	980	4 h	Resting	6 M, 6 F, allergic rhinitics, 31.4 ± 2.0 (SD) years old	NL done immediately after exposure. Increased upper and lower respiratory symptoms and increased levels of PMNs, eosinophils, and albumin in NL fluid.	Bascom et al. (1990)
0.4	784	2 h	IE (70 L/min) at 15-min intervals	11 M, 18 to 35 years old	NL done immediately before, immediately after, and 22 h after exposure. Increased numbers of PMNs at both times after exposure; increased levels of tryptase, a marker of mast cell degranulation, immediately after exposure; increased levels of albumin 22 h after exposure.	Graham and Koren (1990) Koren et al. (1990)
0.5	980	4 h on 2 consecutive days	Resting	41 M (21 O_3-exposed, 20 air-exposed), 18 to 35 years old	NL done immediately before and after each exposure and 22 h after the second exposure. Increased levels of PMNs at all times after the first exposure, with peak values occurring immediately prior to the second exposure.	Graham et al. (1988)

Table AX6-12 (cont'd). Studies of Respiratory Tract Inflammatory Effects from Controlled Human Exposure to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Lower Airway Studies						
0.2	392	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 20 L/min/m² BSA	6M, 6F healthy, nonatopic and 9 M, 6F mild asthmatic subjects, 19-48 years of age	Significantly higher baseline expression of IL-4 and IL-5 in bronchial mucosal biopsies from asthmatic vs. healthy subjects 6 h postexposure. Following O_3 exposure, epithelial expression of IL-5, GM-CSF, ENA-78, and IL-8 increased significantly in asthmatics, as compared to healthy subjects.	Bosson et al. (2003)
0.1	196	2 h	mild IE	12 M, 10 F healthy subjects mean age ~30 years	Markers of exposure in exhaled breath condensate, including increased 8-isoprostane, TBARS and LTB-4, and a marker of ROS-DNA interaction in peripheral blood leukocytes (8-OHdG), were increased in a sub-set of subjects bearing the wild genotype for NAD(P)H:quinone oxidoreductase and the null genotype for glutathione-S-transferase M1.	Corradi et al. (2002)
0.2	392	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 20 L/min/m² body surface area	6M, 9F healthy subjects and 9 M, 6F mild asthmatics	No evidence seen for increased responsiveness to the inflammatory effects of O_3 in mild asthmatics versus healthy subjects at 6 h following exposure. Used neutrophil recruitment and exacerbation of pre-existing inflammation.	Stenfors et al. (2002)
0.27	529	2 h	IE (20 min/ 60 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 25 L/min/m² BSA	12 subjects with intermittent-mild asthma exhibiting a dual response; 18-37 years of age	Exposure to O_3 24 h following allergen challenge resulted in a significant decrease in FEV1, FVC and VC and increase in symptom scores compared to air exposure. The percentage of eosinophils, but not neutrophils, in induced sputum was higher 6 h after O_3 than after air.	Vagaggini et al. (2002)
0.22	431	4 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) = 25 L/min/m² BSA	12 nonsmoker, nonresponders; 13 nonsmoker, responders; 13 smokers; 18-40 years of age	Recovery of AM was approximately 3-fold higher in BAL from smokers versus nonsmokers. Unstimulated AM from smokers released ~2-fold greater amounts of superoxide anion than from nonsmokers at 30 min and 18 h postexposure, but release was not further enhanced by stimulation of the cells. ROS generation by AM from nonsmokers decreased following exposure at 18 h; markers of epithelial permeability increased. No relationship was found between measures of ROS production and lung function responsiveness to O_3.	Voter et al. (2001)

Table AX6-12 (cont'd). Studies of Respiratory Tract Inflammatory Effects from Controlled Human Exposure to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3					
Lower Airway Studies (cont'd)						
0.2	392	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	8M, 5F healthy nonsmokers; 20-31 years of age	Early (1.5 h postexposure) increase in adhesion molecule expression, submucosal mast cell numbers and alterations in lining fluid redox status. No clear relationship between early markers of response and lung function deficits. 2.5-fold increase in % human leukocyte antigen (HLA)-DR+ alveolar macrophages in BAL.	Blomberg et al. (1999)
0.4	784	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	10M, 6F subjects with intermittent asthma; 19-35 years of age	In a cross-over study, levels of eosinophil cationic protein, IL-8 and percentage eosinophils were found to be highly correlated in induced sputum and BAL 16 h following O_3 exposure.	Hiltermann et al. (1999)
0.4	784	2 h	At rest	12 mild, asymptomatic dust mite-sensitive asthmatics; 18-35 years of age	Release of early-onset mast cell-derived mediators into NL in response to allergen not enhanced following O_3 exposure. Neutrophil and eosinophil inflammatory mediators were not increased after O_3 exposure or enhanced after allergen challenge. O_3 increased eosinophil influx following allergen exposure.	Michelson et al. (1999)
0.4	784	1 h	Continuous exercise; ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 30 L/min/m^2 BSA	4 healthy subjects	Apoptosis was observed in cells obtained by airway lavage 6 h following exposure. AM obtained by BAL showed the presence of a 4-hydroxynonenal (HNE) protein adduct and the stress proteins, 72-kD heat shock protein and ferritin. These effects were replicated by *in vitro* exposure of AM to HNE.	Hamilton et al. (1998)
0.2	392	2 h		15 healthy nonsmokers	Increased numbers of CD3+, CD4+, and CD8+ T lymphocyte subsets, in addition to neutrophils, in BAL 6 h postexposure.	Blomberg et al. (1997)
0.4	784	2 h/day for 5 days, 2 h either 10 or 20 days later	IE (40 L/min) at 15-min intervals	16 M; 18 to 35 years of age	BAL done immediately after fifth day of exposure and again after exposure 10 or 20 days later. Most markers of inflammation (PMNs, IL-6, PGE_2, fibronectin) showed partial to complete attenuation; markers of damage (LDH, IL-8, protein, α1-antitrypsin, elastase,) did not. Reversal of attenuation was not complete for some markers, even after 20 days.	Devlin et al. (1997)

Table AX6-12 (cont'd). Studies of Respiratory Tract Inflammatory Effects from Controlled Human Exposure to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Lower Airway Studies (cont'd)						
0.22	431	4 h	IE 20 min ex/19 min rest ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 39-45 l/min	31M, 7F smokers and nonsmokers	Post-O_3 exposure FEV_1 in 3 groups: Smokers (−13.9%); nonresponders (−1.4%) and responders (−28.5%). PMN's increased immediately and at 18 h in all groups. Eosinophils and lymphocytes increased after O_3. IL-6 increased more in nonsmokers. No relationship of symptoms with inflammation, lung function changes not related to inflammation. Nasal lavage indicators did not predict bronchial or alveolar inflammation.	Frampton et al. (1997a) Torres et al. (1997)
0.12	235	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 20 L/min/m² BSA	9M, 3F healthy nonsmokers; mean age ~28 years	Increase in the percentage of vessels expressing P-selectin in bronchial biopsies at 1.5 h postexposure. No changes in FEV_1, FVC, inflammatory cells or markers in BAL, or vessels expressing VCAM-1, E-selectin or ICAM-1 in biopsies.	Krishna et al. (1997b)
0.16	314	7.6 h	IE 50 min/hr ($\dot{V}_E$) = 25 L/min	8 asthmatics sensitive to dust mites	Increased numbers of eosinophils in BAL after O_3 exposure.	Peden et al. (1997)
0.2	392	4 h T = 20 °C RH = 50%	IE (50 min/60 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 44 L/min	14 M, 6 F healthy NS	Ozone increased PMN, protein, IL-8, for all subjects. No relationship of inflammation with spirometric responses.	Balmes et al. (1996)
0.4	784	2 h T = 22 °C RH = 50%	15 min rest 15 min exercise cycle ergometer ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 55 l/min	11 healthy nonsmokers; 18-35 years	Mean FEV_1, change = −10%. BAL occurred at 0, 2, or 4 h postexposure. Small n limits statistical inference. Trend for PMN's to be highest at 4 h. LTC_4 increased at all time points. No change in PGE_2 or thromboxane.	Coffey et al. (1996)
0.4	784	2 h 15 min, ex/15 min, rest	($\dot{V}_E$) = 66 l/min	8 M healthy nonsmokers	Comparison of BAL at 1 h postexposure vs. 18 h postexposure. At 1 h, PMN's, total protein, LDH, α1-antitrypsin, fibronectin, PGE_2, thromboxane B_2, $C3_a$, tissue factor, and clotting factor VII were increased. IL-6 and PGE_2 were higher after 1 h than 18 h. Fibronectin and tissue plasminogen activator higher after 18 h. No time differences for PMN and protein.	Devlin et al. (1996) (compare with Koren et al. (1989a)
0.2	392	4 h T = 20 °C RH = 50%	IE (50 min/60 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 44 L/min	17 M, 6F mild asthmatics	Increased PMN, protein, IL-8, LDH, in BAL. Inflammatory responses were greater than a group of nonasthmatics (Balmes et al., 1996)	Scannell et al. (1996)

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Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Lower Airway Studies (cont'd)						
0.4	784	2 h mouthpiece exposure 20 °C 42% RH	15 min exercise 15 min rest ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 40 l/min	5M, 5F healthy; age ≈ 30	Sputum induction 4 h after O_3 exposure 3-fold increase in neutrophils and a decrease in macrophages after O_3 exposure. IL-6, IL-8, and myeleperoxidase increased after O_3. Possible relationship of IL-8 and PMN levels.	Fahy et al. (1995)
0.2	392	4 h	IE (50 min/60 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) = 40 L/min	15 M, 13 F, 21 to 39 years old	Bronchial lavage, bronchial biopsies, and BAL done 18 h after exposure. BAL shows changes similar to other studies. Airway lavage shows increased cells, LDH, IL-8. Biopsies show increased number of PMNs.	Aris et al. (1993)
0.08 0.10	157 196	6.6 h	IE (50 min/60 min) + 35 min lunch; ($\dot{V}_E$) = 40 L/min	18 M, 18 to 35 years of age	BAL fluid 18 h after exposure to 0.1 ppm O_3 had significant increases in PMNs, protein, PGE_2, fibronectin, IL-6, lactate dehydrogenase, and α-1 antitrypsin compared with the same subjects exposed to FA. Similar but smaller increases in all mediators after exposure to 0.08 ppm O_3 except for protein and fibronectin. Decreased phagocytosis of yeast by alveolar macrophages was noted at both concentrations.	Devlin et al. (1990, 1991) Koren et al. (1991)
0.4	784	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) = 70 L/min	10 M, 18 to 35 years old	BAL fluid 1 h after exposure to 0.4 ppm O_3 had significant increases in PMNs, protein, PGE_2, TXB_2, IL-6, LDH, α-1 antitrypsin, and tissue factor compared with the same subjects exposed to FA. Decreased phagocytosis of yeast by alveolar macrophages.	Koren et al. (1991)
0.3	588	1 h (mouth-piece)	CE (60 L/min)	5 M	Significantly elevated PMNs in the BAL fluid 1, 6, and 24 h after exposure, with peak increases at 6 h.	Schelegle et al. (1991)
0.40	784	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) = 70 L/min	11 M, 18 to 35 years old	Macrophages removed 18 h after exposure had changes in the rate of synthesis of 123 different proteins as assayed by computerized densitometry of two-dimensional gel protein profiles.	Devlin and Koren (1990)
0.40	784	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) = 70 L/min	11 M, 18 to 35 years old	BAL fluid 18 h after exposure contained increased levels of the coagulation factors, tissue factor, and factor VII. Macrophages in the BAL fluid had elevated tissue factor mRNA.	McGee et al. (1990)
0.4	784	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) = 70 L/min	11 M, 18 to 35 years old	BAL fluid 18 h after exposure had significant increases in PMNs, protein, albumin, IgG, PGE_2, plasminogen activator, elastase, complement C3a, and fibronectin.	Koren et al. (1989a,b)

Table AX6-12 (cont'd). Studies of Respiratory Tract Inflammatory Effects from Controlled Human Exposure to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Repeated Exposure Studies						
0.125 0.25	245 490	3 h exposures to both O_3 concs. and to FA; 3 h on four consecutive days to 0.125; study arms separated by >4 wks	IE (15 min/30 min)	5M, 6F allergic asthmatic and 16M, 6F allergic rhinitic subjects; 19-53 years of age	All subjects underwent 4 exposure arms and were challenged with allergen 20 h following the last exposure in each. Sputum was induced 6-7 h later. In rhinitics, but not asthmatics, the incidence and magnitude of early phase FEV_1 decrements to Ag were greater after 0.25 and 4x 0.125 ppm O_3. Repeated exposure caused increases in neutrophil and eosinophil numbers in both subject groups, as well as increased percentage and number of lymphocytes in the asthmatics.	Holz et al., (2002)
0.25	490	2 h on four consecutive days; O_3 and FA exposure study arms separated by ≥3 wks	IE (30 min/60 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 8 times the FVC/min	5M, 3F healthy subjects; 25-31 years of age	Maximal mean reductions in FEV_1 and FVC were observed on day 2, and became negligible by day 4. FEF_{25-75}, Vmax50, and Vmax75 were combined into a single value representing small airway function (SAWgrp). This variable was the only one to show persistent depression of the 24 h postexposure baseline from day 2 to day 5 measurements. Numbers of PMNs in BAL fluid on day 5 were significantly higher in subjects following O_3, compared to air, exposures.	Frank et al. (2001)
0.2	392	single, 4 h exposures to O_3 and to FA; 4 h on four consecutive days to O_3; study arms separated by >4 wks	IE (15 min/30 min); (Mean $\dot{V}_E$) = 14.8 L/min/m² BSA	15M, 8F healthy subjects; 21-35 years of age	All subjects underwent 3 exposure arms with BAL and bronchial mucosal biopsies performed 20 h following the last exposure in each. After repeated exposure, functional and BAL cellular responses were not different from those after FA, whereas total protein, IL-6, IL-8, reduced glutathione and ortho-tyrosine remained elevated. Also at this time, macroscopic scores of inflammation and tissue neutrophils were increased in mucosal biopsies. IL-10 was detected only in BAL fluid following repeated O_3 exposure.	Jörres et al. (2000)
0.2	392	single, 4 h exposure; 4 h exposures on four consecutive days; study arms separated by >4 wks	IE (30 min/60 min); (Mean $\dot{V}_E$) = 25 L/min/m² BSA	9M, 6F healthy NS 23-37 years of age	Subjects were randomly assigned to each of the exposure regimens in a crossover design. Compared to single exposure, repeated exposure resulted in an initial progression followed by an attenuation of decrements in FEV_1, FVC and specific airways resistance by day 4. Bronchial and BAL washings showed decreases in the numbers of PMNs and fibronectin levels and IL-6 was decreased in BAL fluid on day 4.	Christian et al. (1998)

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Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m³	Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Repeated Exposure Studies (cont'd)						
0.4	784	2 h/day for 5 days, 2 h either 10 or 20 days later	IE (60 L/min) at 15-min intervals	16 M; 18 to 35 years of age	BAL done immediately after fifth day of exposure and again after exposure 10 or 20 days later. Most markers of inflammation (PMNs, IL-6, PGE_2, fibronectin) showed complete attenuation; markers of damage (LDH, IL-8, protein, α1-antitrypsin, elastase) did not. Reversal of attenuation was not complete for some markers, even after 20 days.	Devlin et al. (1997)
0.40 0.60	784	2 h	IE (83 W for women, 100 W for men) at 15-min intervals	7M, 3F 23 to 41 years of age	BAL fluid 3 h after exposure had significant increases in PMNs, PGE_2, TXB_2, and $PGF_{2\alpha}$ at both O_3 concentrations.	Seltzer et al. (1986)

[a] See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b] Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.

Table AX6-13. Studies of Effects on Host Defense, on Drug Effects and Supportive In Vitro Studies Relating to Controlled Human Exposure to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b]		Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
ppm	µg/m^3					
Host Defense						
0.2	392	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	4M, 5F mild atopic asthmatics; 21-42 years of age	A significant decline in FEV_1 and VC immediately following exposure. A 2-fold increase in percent PMNs, with no changes in other biomarkers, was observed at 6 h postexposure. By 24 h postexposure, PMNs had decreased, but albumin, total protein, myeloperoxidase and eosinophil cationic protein had increased.	Newson et al. (2000)
0.3	588	6 h/day for 5 consecutive days	IE (light treadmill)	24 M (12 O_3, 12 air)	Subjects inoculated with type 39 rhinovirus prior to exposure. NL was performed on the morning of Days 1 to 5, 8, 15, and 30. No difference in virus titers in NL fluid of air and O_3-exposed subjects at any time tested. No difference in PMNs or interferon gamma in NL fluid, or in blood lymphocyte proliferative response to viral antigen.	Henderson et al. (1988)
0.2	382	2 h	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 30 L/min	10M, 2F healthy NS mean ~28 years of age	Subjects were exposed to O_3 and FA in a cross-over design and underwent BAL 6 h postexposure. O_3 exposure induced a 3-fold increase in % PMNs and epithelial cells, and increased IL-8, Gro-α, and total protein in BAL fluid. % PMNs correlated positively with chemokine levels. Exposure also resulted in a significant decrease in the CD4+/CD8+ ratio and the % of activated CD4+ and CD8+ T cells in BAL fluid.	Krishna et al. (1998)
Host Defense - Mucous Clearance						
0.4	784	1 h	CE (40 L/min)	15 healthy NS 18 to 35 years old	Subjects inhaled radiolabeled iron oxide particles 2 h after exposure. No significant O_3-induced effect on clearance of particles during the next 3 h or the following morning.	Gerrity et al. (1993)
0.20 0.40	392 784	2 h	IE (light treadmill)	7 M, 27.2 ± 6.0 (SD) years old	Subjects inhaled radiolabeled iron oxide particles immediately before exposure. Concentration-dependent increase in rate of particle clearance 2 h after exposure, although clearance was confined primarily to the peripheral airways at the lower O_3 concentration.	Foster et al. (1987)

Table AX6-13 (cont'd). Studies of Effects on Host Defense, on Drug Effects and Supportive *In Vitro* Studies Relating to Controlled Human Exposure to Ozone[a]

Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m^3	Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Host Defense - Epithelial Permeability						
0.15 0.35	294 686	130 min	IE 10 exercise/ 10 rest ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 8×FVC	8M,1F NS	Subjects inhaled ^{99m}Tc-DTPA 19 h after exposure to O_3. Clearance was increased in the lung periphery. Clearance was not related to spirometry.	Foster and Stetkiewicz (1996)
0.5	784	2.25 h	IE (70 L/min) at 15-min intervals	16 M, 20 to 30 years old	Similar design and results as earlier study (Kehrl et al., 1987). For the combined studies the average rate of clearance was 60% faster in O_3-exposed subjects.	Kehrl et al. (1989)
0.4	784	2 h	IE (70 L/min) at 15-min intervals	8 M, 20 to 30 years old	Subjects inhaled ^{99m}Tc-DTPA 75 min after exposure. Significantly increased clearance of ^{99m}Tc-DTPA from the lung in O_3-exposed subjects. Subjects had expected changes in FVC and SRaw.	Kehrl et al. (1987)
Drug Effects on Inflammation						
0.25	490	3 h IE 15-min intervals 4 O_3 exposures: screening, placebo, and two treatments	27 °C 56 % RH (values from Holz et al. 1999)	14M, 4F Healthy NS ozone responders 31.4 ± 8.4 years old	On average, the screening and placebo O_3 exposures caused greater than a 9-fold increase in sputum neutrophils relative to baseline levels. Relative to placebo, the inhaled or oral corticosteroids significantly reduced neutrophil levels by 62 and 64%, respectively. Post-O_3, spirometry not significantly different from baseline.	Holz et al. (2005)
0.4	784	2 h		23 healthy adults	Subjects were exposed to O_3 following random selection for a 2 wk daily regimen of antioxidants, including vegetable juice high in the carotenoid, lycopene, or placebo. Concentrations of lycopene in the lungs of supplemented subjects increased by 12% following treatment. Supplemented subjects showed a 20% decrease in epithelial cell DNA damage as assessed by the Comet Assay. Effects attributable to lycopene could not be separated from those of other antioxidants.	Arab et al. (2002)

Table AX6-13 (cont'd). Studies of Effects on Host Defense, on Drug Effects and Supportive *In Vitro* Studies Relating to Controlled Human Exposure to Ozone[a]

Oz one Concentration[b] ppm	Oz one Concentration[b] µg/m^3	Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Drug Effects on Inflammation (cont'd)						
0.0 0.4	0 784	2 h IE 20 min mild-mod. exercise, 10 min rest	4 M, 5 F	Healthy NS 30 ± 3 years old	Subjects previously in Nightingale et al. (2000) study. Placebo-control: Immediately postexposure decrements in FVC (9%) and FEV_1 (14%) relative to pre-exposure values. FEV_1 decrement only 9% at 1 hr postexposure. By 3 h postexposure, recovery in FVC to 97% and FEV_1 to 98% of preexposure values. Significant increases in 8-isoprostane at 4 h postexposure. Budesonide for 2 wk prior to exposure did not affect responses.	Montuschi et al. (2002)
0.2	392	2 h All exposures separated by at least 2 wks (mean ≈ 30d)	IE (15 min/30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	Healthy (6 M, 9 F) and mild asthmatic (9 M, 6 F) subjects	Comparison was made of responses in healthy subjects, who had higher basal ascorbate (ASC) levels and lower glutathione disulfide (GSSG) levels than those of asthmatics. 6 h after exposure, ASC levels were decreased and GSSG levels were increased in BAL fluid of normals, but not asthmatics. Despite these differences in basal antioxidant levels and response to O_3, decrements in FEV_1 and neutrophil influx did not differ in the two subject groups.	Mudway et al. (2001)
0.4	784	2 h	IE 15-min intervals; $\dot{V}_E$ ≈ 20 L/min/m^2 BSA	Placebo group 15 M, 1 F Antioxidant group 13 M, 2 F Mean age 27 years	All subjects were exposed to FA and then entered a 2 wk regimen of placebo or 250 mg Vit C, 50IU α-tocopherol, and 12 oz veg. cocktail/day prior to O_3 exposure. O_3-induced decrements in FEV_1 and FVC were 30% and 24% less, respectively, in supplemented subjects. Percent neutrophils and IL-6 levels in BAL fluid obtained 1 h postexposure were not different in the two treatment groups.	Samet et al. (2001) Stech-Scott et al. (2004)
0.27	529	2 h All exposures separated by at least 1 wk (mean ≈ 14 d)	Continuous exercise; ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 25 L/min/m^2 BSA	7 M, F subjects with mild asthma; 20-50 years of age	Subjects were randomly exposed to FA and to O_3 before and after 4 wks of treatment with 400 µg budesonide, b.i.d. Budesonide did not inhibit the decrement in FEV_1 or increase in symptom scores, but significantly reduced the increase in % neutrophils and IL-8 in sputum induced 6 h postexposure.	Vagaggini et al. (2001)
0.4	784	2 h	IE 15-min intervals $\dot{V}_E$ min ≈ 30 L/min	5 M, 4 F healthy 6 M, 7 F asthmatics	Subjects were pretreated for 3 days prior to exposure with indomethacin (75 mg/day) or placebo. Similar reductions in FEV_1 and FVC were seen in both groups following placebo, whereas mid-flows showed greater decline in asthmatics than normals. Indomethacin attenuated decrements in FEV_1 and FVC in normals, but not asthmatics. Attenuation of decrements was seen for FEF_{60p} in asthmatics and for FEF_{50} in normals.	Alexis et al. (2000)

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Ozone Concentration[b] ppm	Ozone Concentration[b] µg/m^3	Exposure Duration	Activity Level ($\dot{V}_E$)	Number and Gender of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Drug Effects on Inflammation (cont'd)						
0.4	784	2 h	IE (20 min/30 min); workload @ 50 watts	6 M, 9 F healthy NS mean ~31 years of age	Subjects were randomly exposed to FA and to O_3 before and after 2 wks of treatment with 800 µg budesonide, b.i.d. O_3 caused significant decrements in FEV_1 and FVC immediately following exposure, and a small increase in Mch-reactivity and increases in neutrophils and myeloperoxidase in sputum induced at 4 h postexposure. No differences were detected between responses in the two treatment groups.	Nightingale et al. (2000)
0.0 0.4	784	2 h IE 4 × 15 min at $\dot{V}_E$ = 18 L/min/m^2 BSA 2 exposures: 25% subjects exposed to air-air, 75% to O_3-O_3	21 °C 40% RH	Weak responders 7 M, 13F Strong responders 21 M, 21 F Healthy NS 20 to 59 years old	Significant O_3-induced decrements in spirometric lung function. Young adults (<35 years) were significantly more responsive than older individuals (>35 years). Sufentanil, a narcotic analgesic, largely abolished symptom responses and improved FEV_1 in strong responders. Naloxone, an opioid antagonist, did not affect O_3 effects in weak responders. *See Section AX6.2.5.1*	Passannante et al. (1998)
0.4	784	2 h	IE (60 L/min) at 15-min intervals	10 M	Subjects given 800 mg ibuprofen or placebo 90 min before exposure. Subjects given ibuprofen had less of a decrease in FEV_1 after O_3 exposure. BAL fluid 1 h after exposure contained similar levels of PMNs, protein, fibronectin, LDH, α-1 antitrypsin, LTB_4, and C3a in both ibuprofen and placebo groups. However, subjects given ibuprofen had decreased levels of IL-6, TXB_2, and PGE_2.	Hazucha et al. (1996)
0.4	784	2 h	IE (15 min/ 30 min); ($\dot{V}_E$) = 30 L/min/m^2 BSA	13 healthy male subjects	Subjects received either placebo or 150 mg indomethacin/day four days prior to O_3 exposure. Indomethacin treatment attenuated the O_3-induced decrease in FEV_1, but had no effect on the O_3-induced increase in Mch responsiveness.	Ying et al. (1990)
0.35	686	1 h	Continuous exercise; ($\dot{V}_E$) ≈ 60 L/min	14 healthy college-age males	In a placebo- and air-controlled random design, subjects were treated with 75 mg indomethacin every 12 h for 5 days prior to exposure. Indomethacin significantly reduced O_3-induced decrements in FEV_1 and FVC.	Schelegle et al. (1987)

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Supportive In Vitro Studies						
0.01 to 0.10	19.6 to 196	6 h	bronchial epithelial cells	Nonatopic, nonasthmatic and atopic, mild asthmatic bronchial biopsy samples	Exposure to 0.01-0.10 ppm O_3 significantly decreased the electrical resistance of cells from asthmatic sources, compared to nonasthmatic sources. This range of O_3 concentrations also increased the movement of ^{14}C-BSA across the confluent cultures of "asthmatic" cells to an extent that was greater than that in "nonasthmatic" cells.	Bayram et al. (2002)
0.1	196	24 h	Nasal mucosa	Allergic and nonallergic patients	Increased concentrations of neurokinin A and substance P in medium following O_3 exposure. Levels of release of both neuropeptides were higher from tissues derived from allergic compared to nonallergic patients.	Schierhorn et al. (2002)
0.2	392	3 h	Nasal epithelial cells and airway epithelial cell line		Synergistic effect of O_3 exposure on rhinovirus-induced release of IL-8 at 24 h through mechanisms abrogated by antioxidant pretreatment. Additive enhancement of ICAM-1 expression.	Spannhake et al. (2002)
1	1,690	4 h	Macrophage-like THP-1 cells		THP-1 cells were treated with samples of human surfactant protein A (SP-A) genetic variants (SP-A1 and SP-A2) that had been previously exposed to O_3. O_3-exposed variants differed in their ability to stimulate the production of TNF-α and IL-8 by these cells.	Wang et al. (2002)
0.01 to 0.10	19.6 to 196	6 h	bronchial epithelial cells	Nonatopic, nonasthmatic and atopic, mild asthmatic bronchial biopsy samples	No difference in constitutive release of IL-8, GM-CSF, sICAM-1 and RANTES from cells from nonasthmatic and asthmatic sources, except for detection of RANTES in latter cells only. Increased release of all mediators 24 h after 0.05 to 0.10 ppm O_3 in "asthmatic" cells, but only IL-8 and sICAM-1 in "nonasthmatic" cells.	Bayram et al. (2001)
0.12 0.24 0.50	235 470 980	3 h	Nasal epithelial cells		Small dose-response activation of NF-κB coinciding with O_3-induced production of free radicals assessed by electron spin resonance. Increased TNF-α at two higher concentrations of O_3 at 16 h postexposure.	Nichols et al. (2001)

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Supportive In Vitro Studies (cont'd)						
0.06 to 0.20	118 to 392	24 h	Nasal mucosa	105 surgical samples from atopic and nonatopic patients	Increased histamine release correlated with mast cell degranulation. Increased release of IL-1, IL-6, IL-8 and TNF-α following O_3 exposure at 0.10 ppm. Release of IL-4, IL-6, IL-8 and TNF-α at this concentration was significantly greater from tissues from atopic versus nonatopic patients.	Schierhorn et al. (1999)
0.5	980	1 h	Lung fibroblast cell line with an airway epithelial cell line		BEAS-2B cells in the presence or absence of HFL-1 cells were exposed and incubated for 11 or 23 h. Steady-state mRNA levels of alpha 1 procollagens type I and II, as well as TGFβ1, were increased in O_3-exposed co-cultured fibroblasts compared to air controls. Data support interactions between the cell types in the presence and the absence of O_3-exposure.	Lang et al. (1998)
0.5	980	1 h	tracheal epithelial cells		O_3 exposure caused an increase in ROS formation and a decline in PGE_2 production. No differences in mRNA and protein levels of prostaglandin endoperoxide G/H synthase 2 (PGHS-2) or the rate of its synthesis were detected, suggesting a direct effect of O_3-generated oxidants on PGHS-2 activity.	Alpert et al. (1997)
0.4	784	1 h	Lung fibroblasts; airway epithelial cell line		Cells incubated with O_3-exposed arachidonic acid (AA) were found to contain DNA single strand breaks. Pretreatment of the exposed AA solution with catalase eliminated the effect on DNA, indicating its dependence on H_2O_2 production. The effect was potentiated by the non-carbonyl component of ozonized AA.	Kozumbo et al. (1996)
0.25 0.50	490 980	6 h	Human nasal epithelial cells		Increased in ICAM-1, IL-6, IL-1, and TNF expression at 0.5 ppm. No increase in IL-8 expression. No increases at 0.25 ppm.	Beck et al. (1994)
0.25 0.50 1.00	490 980 1,960	1 h	Airway epithelial cell line and alveolar macrophages		Increased secretion of IL-6, IL-8, and fibronectin by epithelial cells, even at lowest O_3 concentration. No O_3-induced secretion of these compounds by macrophages.	Devlin et al. (1994)

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Supportive In Vitro Studies (cont'd)						
0.20 to 1.0	392 to 1960	2 h or 4 h	Airway epithelial cell line		O_3 caused a dose-related loss in cellular replicative activity at exposure levels that caused minimal cytotoxicity. DNAsingle strand breaks were not detected. These effects were different from those of H_2O_2 and, thus, not likely related to production of this oxidant within the cells.	Gabrielson et al. (1994).
0.25 0.50 1.00	490 980 1,960	1 h	Airway epithelial cell line		Concentration-dependent increased secretion of PGE_2, TXB_2, $PGF_{2\alpha}$, LTB_4, and LTD_4. More secretion basolaterally than apically.	McKinnon et al. (1993)
0.30 1.00	588 1,960	1 h	Alveolar macrophages		Concentration-dependent increases in PGE_2 production, and decreases in phagocytosis of sheep erythrocytes. No O_3-induced secretion of IL-1, TNF, or IL-6.	Becker et al. (1991)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Listed from lowest to highest O_3 concentration.

central airways, and of persistent effects following repeated exposure, may indicate that further investigation of inflammatory processes in these regions is warranted.

Under normal circumstances, the epithelia lining the large and small airways develop tight junctions and restrict the penetration of exogenous particles and macromolecules from the airway lumen into the interstitium and blood, as well as restrict the flow of plasma components into the airway lumen. O_3 disrupts the integrity of the epithelial cell barrier in human airways, as measured by markers of plasma influx such as albumin, immunoglobulin, and other proteins into the airways. Markers of epithelial cell damage such as lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) also have been measured in the BAL fluid of humans exposed to O_3. Other soluble factors that have been studied include those involved with fibrin deposition and degradation (Tissue Factor, Factor VII, and plasminogen activator), potential markers of fibrogenesis (fibronectin, platelet derived growth factor), and components of the complement cascade (C3a).

Inflammatory cells of the lung such as alveolar macrophages (AMs), monocytes, and PMNs also constitute an important component of the pulmonary host defense system. Upon activation, they are capable of generating free radicals and enzymes with microbicidal capabilities, but they also have the potential to damage nearby cells. More recently published studies since the last literature review (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) observed changes in T lymphocyte subsets in the airways following exposure to O_3 that suggest components of the immune host defense also may be affected.

AX6.9.2 Inflammatory Responses in the Upper Respiratory Tract

The nasal passages constitute the primary portal for inspired air at rest and, therefore, the first region of the respiratory tract to come in contact with airborne pollutants. Nikasinovic et al. (2003) recently reviewed the literature of laboratory-based nasal inflammatory studies published since 1985. Nasal lavage (NL) has provided a useful tool for assessing O_3-induced inflammation in the nasopharynx. Nasal lavage is simple and rapid to perform, is noninvasive, and allows collection of multiple sequential samples. Graham et al. (1988) reported increased levels of PMNs in the NL fluid of humans exposed to 0.5 ppm O_3 at rest for 4 h on 2 consecutive days, with NL performed immediately before and after each exposure, as well as 22 h after the second exposure. Nasal lavage fluid contained elevated numbers of PMNs at all postexposure times tested, with peak values occurring immediately prior to the second day of exposure. Bascom

et al. (1990) exposed subjects with allergic rhinitis to 0.5 ppm O_3 at rest for 4 h, and found increases in PMNs, eosinophils, and mononuclear cells following O_3 exposure. Graham and Koren (1990) compared inflammatory mediators present in both the NL and BAL fluids of humans exposed to 0.4 ppm O_3 for 2 h. Increases in NL and BAL PMNs were similar (6.6- and eightfold, respectively), suggesting a qualitative correlation between inflammatory changes in the lower airways (BAL) and the upper respiratory tract (NL), although the PMN increase in NL could not quantitatively predict the PMN increase in BAL. Torres et al. (1997) compared NL and BAL in smokers and nonsmokers exposed to 0.22 ppm O_3 for 4 h. In contrast to Graham and Koren (1990), they did not find a relationship between numbers or percentages of inflammatory cells (PMNs) in the nose and the lung, perhaps in part due to the variability observed in their NL recoveries. Albumin, a marker of epithelial cell permeability, was increased 18 h later, but not immediately after exposure, as seen by Bascom et al. (1990). Tryptase, a constituent of mast cells, was also elevated after O_3 exposure at 0.4 ppm for 2 h (Koren et al., 1990). McBride et al. (1994) reported that asthmatic subjects were more sensitive than nonasthmatics to upper airway inflammation at an O_3 concentration (0.24 ppm for 1.5 h with light IE) that did not affect lung or nasal function or biochemical mediators. A significant increase in the number of PMNs in NL fluid was detected in the asthmatic subjects both immediately and 24 h after exposure. Peden et al. (1995) also found that O_3 at a concentration of 0.4 ppm had a direct nasal inflammatory effect, and reported a priming effect on the response to nasal allergen challenge, as well. A subsequent study in dust mite-sensitive asthmatic subjects indicated that O_3 at this concentration enhanced eosinophil influx in response to allergen, but did not promote early mediator release or enhance the nasal response to allergen (Michelson et al., 1999). Similar to observations made in the lower airways, the presence of O_3 molecular "targets" in nasal lining fluid is likely to provide some level of local protection against exposure. In a study of healthy subjects exposed to 0.2 ppm O_3 for 2 h, Mudway and colleagues (1999) observed a significant depletion of uric acid in NL fluid at 1.5 h following exposure.

An increasing number of studies have taken advantage of advances in cell and tissue culture techniques to examine the role of upper and lower airway epithelial cells and mucosa in transducing the effects of O_3 exposure. Many of these studies have provided important insight into the basis of observations made *in vivo*. One of the methods used enables the cells or tissue samples to be cultured at the air-liquid interface (ALI), allowing cells to establish apical and

basal polarity, and both cells and tissue samples to undergo exposure to O_3 at the apical surfaces as would occur in vivo. Nichols and colleagues (2001) examined human nasal epithelial cells grown at the ALI for changes in free radical production, based on electron spin resonance, and activation of the NF-κB transcription factor following exposure to O_3 at 0.12 to 0.5 ppm for 3 h. They found a dose-related activation of NF-κB within the cells that coincided with O_3-induced free radical production and increased release of TNF-α at levels above 0.24 ppm. These data confirm the importance of this oxidant stress-associated pathway in transducing the O_3 signal within nasal epithelial cells and suggest its role in directing the inflammatory response. In a study of nasal mucosal biopsy plugs, Schierhorn et al. (1999) found that tissues exposed to O_3 at a concentration of 0.1 ppm induced release of IL-4, IL-6, IL-8, and TNF-α that was significantly greater from tissues from atopic patients compared to nonatopic controls. In a subsequent study, this same exposure regimen caused the release of significantly greater amounts of the neuropeptides, neurokinin A and substance P, from allergic patients, compared to nonallergic controls, suggesting increased activation of sensory nerves by O_3 in the allergic tissues (Schierhorn et al., 2002).

AX6.9.3 Inflammatory Responses in the Lower Respiratory Tract

Seltzer et al. (1986) were the first to demonstrate that exposure of humans to O_3 resulted in inflammation in the lung. Bronchoalveolar lavage fluid (3 h postexposure) from subjects exposed to O_3 contained increased PMNs as well as increased levels of PGE_2, $PGF_{2\alpha}$, and TXB_2 compared to fluid from air-exposed subjects. Koren et al. (1989a,b) described inflammatory changes 18 h after O_3 exposure. In addition to an eightfold increase in PMNs, Koren et al. reported a two-fold increase in BAL fluid protein, albumin, and immunoglobulin G (IgG) levels, suggestive of increased epithelial cell permeability. There was a 12-fold increase in IL-6 levels, a two-fold increase in PGE_2, and a two-fold increase in the complement component, C3a. Evidence for stimulation of fibrogenic processes in the lung was shown by significant increases in coagulation components, Tissue Factor and Factor VII (McGee et al., 1990), urokinase plasminogen activator and fibronectin (Koren et al., 1989a). Subsequent studies by Lang et al. (1998), using co-cultures of cells of the BEAS-2B bronchial epithelial line and of the HFL-1 lung fibroblast line, provided additional information about O_3-induced fibrogenic processes. They demonstrated that steady-state mRNA levels of both alpha 1 and procollagens type I and

III in the fibroblasts were increased following O_3 exposure and that this effect was mediated by the O_3-exposed epithelial cells. This group of studies demonstrated that exposure to O_3 results in an inflammatory reaction in the lung, as evidenced by increases in PMNs and proinflammatory compounds. Furthermore, they demonstrated that cells and mediators capable of damaging pulmonary tissue are increased after O_3 exposure and provided early suggestion of the potential importance of the epithelial cell-myofibroblast "axis" in modulating fibrotic and fibrinolytic processes in the airways.

Isolated lavage of the mainstream bronchus using balloon catheters or BAL using small volumes of saline have been used to assess O_3-induced changes in the large airways. Studies collecting lavage fluid from isolated airway segments after O_3 exposure indicate increased neutrophils in the airways (Aris et al., 1993; Balmes et al., 1996; Scannell et al., 1996). Other evidence of airway neutrophil increase comes from studies in which the initial lavage fraction ("bronchial fraction") showed increased levels of neutrophils (Schelegle et al., 1991; Peden et al., 1997; Balmes et al., 1996; Torres et al., 1997). Bronchial biopsies show increased PMNs in airway tissue (Aris et al.,1993) and, in sputum collected after O_3 exposure, neutrophil numbers are elevated (Fahy et al., 1995).

Increased BAL protein, suggesting O_3-induced changes in epithelial permeability (Koren et al., 1989a, 1991 and Devlin et al., 1991) supports earlier work in which increased epithelial permeability, as measured by increased clearance of radiolabled diethylene triamine pentaacetic acid (^{99m}Tc-DTPA) from the lungs of humans exposed to O_3, was demonstrated (Kehrl et al., 1987). In addition, Foster and Stetkiewicz (1996) have shown that increased permeability persists for at least 18-20 h and the effect is greater at the lung apices than at the base. In a study of mild atopic asthmatics exposed to 0.2 ppm O_3 for 2 h, Newson et al. (2000) observed a 2-fold increase in the percentage of PMNs present at 6 hours postexposure, with no change in markers of increased permeability as assessed by sputum induction. By 24 h, the neutrophilia was seen to subside while levels of albumin, total protein, myeloperoxidase, and eosinophil cationic protein increased significantly. It was concluded that the transient PMN influx induced by acute exposure of these asthmatic subjects was followed by plasma extravasation and the activation of both PMNs and eosinophils within the airway tissues. Such changes in permeability associated with acute inflammation may provide better access of inhaled antigens, particulates, and other substances to the submucosal region.

Devlin et al. (1991) reported an inflammatory response in subjects exposed to 0.08 and 0.10 ppm O_3 for 6.6 h. Increased numbers of PMNs and levels of IL-6 were found at both O_3 concentrations, suggesting that lung inflammation from O_3 can occur as a consequence of prolonged exposure to ambient levels while exercising. Interestingly, those individuals who had the largest increases in inflammatory mediators in this study did not necessarily have the largest decrements in pulmonary function, suggesting that separate mechanisms underlie these two responses. The absence of a relationship between spirometric responses and inflammatory cells and markers has been reported in several studies, including Balmes et al., 1996; Schelegle et al., 1991; Torres et al., 1997; Hazucha et al., 1996; Blomberg et al., 1999. These observations relate largely to disparities in the times of onset and duration following single exposures. The relationship between inflammatory and residual functional responses following repeated or chronic exposures may represent a somewhat different case (see Section AX6.9.4).

As indicated above, a variety of potent proinflammatory mediators have been reported to be released into the airway lumen following O_3 exposure. Studies of human alveolar macrophages (AM) and airway epithelial cells exposed to O_3 *in vitro* suggest that most mediators found in the BAL fluid of O_3-exposed humans are produced by epithelial cells. Macrophages exposed to O_3 *in vitro* showed only small increases in PGE_2 (Becker et al., 1991). In contrast, airway epithelial cells exposed *in vitro* to O_3 showed large concentration-dependent increases in PGE_2, TXB_2, LTB_4, LTC_4, and LTD_4 (McKinnon et al., 1993) and increases in IL-6, IL-8, and fibronectin at O_3 concentrations as low as 0.1 ppm (Devlin et al., 1994). Macrophages lavaged from subjects exposed to 0.4 ppm (Koren et al., 1989a) showed changes in the rate of synthesis of 123 different proteins, whereas AMs exposed to O_3 *in vitro* showed changes in only six proteins, suggesting that macrophage function was altered by mediators released from other cells. Furthermore, recent evidence suggests that the release of mediators from AMs may be modulated by the products of O_3-induced oxidation of airway lining fluid components, such as human surfactant protein A (Wang et al., 2002).

Although the release of mediators has been demonstrated to occur at exposure concentrations and times that are minimally cytotoxic to airway cells, potentially detrimental latent effects have been demonstrated in the absence of cytotoxicity. These include the generation of DNA single strand breaks (Kozumbo et al., 1996) and the loss of cellular replicative activity (Gabrielson et al., 1994) in bronchial epithelial cells exposed *in vitro*, and the

formation of protein and DNA adducts. A highly toxic aldehyde formed during O_3-induced lipid peroxidation is 4-hydroxynonenal (HNE). Healthy human subjects exposed to 0.4 ppm O_3 for 1 h underwent BAL 6 h later. Analysis of lavaged alveolar macrophages by Western blot indicated increased levels of a 32-kDa HNE-protein adduct, as well as 72-kDa heat shock protein and ferritin, in O_3- versus air-exposed subjects (Hamilton et al., 1998). In a recent study of healthy subjects exposed to 0.1 ppm O_3 for 2 h (Corradi et al., 2002), formation of 8-hydroxy-2'-deoxyguanosine (8-OHdG), a biomarker of reactive oxidant species (ROS)-DNA interaction, was measured in peripheral blood lymphocytes. At 18 h postexposure, 8-OHdG was significantly increased in cells compared to pre-exposure levels, presumably linked to concurrent increases in chemical markers of ROS. Of interest, the increase in 8-OHdG was only significant in a subgroup of subjects with the wild genotype for NAD(P)H:quinone oxidoreductase and the null genotype for glutathione-S-transferase M1, suggesting that polymorphisms in redox enzymes may confer "susceptibility' to O_3 in some individuals. The generation of ROS following exposure to O_3 has been shown to be associated with a wide range of responses. In a recent study, ROS production by alveolar macrophages lavaged from subjects exposed to 0.22 ppm for 4 h was assessed by flow cytometry (Voter et al., 2001). Levels were found to be significantly elevated 18 h postexposure and associated with several markers of increased permeability. An *in vitro* study of human tracheal epithelial cells exposed to O_3 indicated that generation of ROS resulted in decrease in synthesis of the bronchodilatory prostaglandin, PGE_2, as a result of inactivation of prostaglandin endoperoxide G/H synthase 2 (Alpert et al., 1997). These and similar studies indicate that the responses to products of O_3 exposure in the airways encompass a broad range of both stimulatory and inhibitory activities, many of which may be modulated by susceptibility factors upstream in the exposure process, at the level of compensating for the imposed oxidant stress.

The inflammatory responses to O_3 exposure also have been studied in asthmatic subjects (Basha et al., 1994; Scannell et al., 1996; Peden et al., 1997). In these studies, asthmatics showed significantly more neutrophils in the BAL (18 h postexposure) than similarly exposed healthy individuals. In one of these studies (Peden et al., 1997), which included only allergic asthmatics who tested positive for Dematophagoides farinae antigen, there was an eosinophilic inflammation (2-fold increase), as well as neutrophilic inflammation (3-fold increase). In a study of subjects with intermittent asthma that utilized a 2-fold higher concentration of O_3

(0.4 ppm) for 2 h, increases in eosinophil cationic protein, neutrophil elastase and IL-8 were found to be significantly increased 16 h postexposure and comparable in induced sputum and BAL fluid (Hiltermann et al, 1999). Scannell et al. (1996) also reported that IL-8 tended to be higher in post-O_3 exposure BAL in asthmatics compared to nonasthmatics (36 vs. 12 pg/mL, respectively) suggesting a possible mediator for the significantly increased neutrophilic inflammation in asthmatics relative to healthy subjects (12 vs. 4.5%, respectively). In a recent study comparing the neutrophil response to O_3 at a concentration and exposure time similar to those of the latter three studies, Stenfors and colleagues (2002) were unable to detect a difference in the increased neutrophil numbers between 15 mild asthmatic and 15 healthy subjects by bronchial wash at the 6 h postexposure time point. These results suggest that, at least with regard to neutrophil influx, differences between healthy and asthmatic individuals develop gradually following exposure and may not become evident until later in the process.

In another study, mild asthmatics who exhibited a late phase underwent allergen challenge 24 hrs before a 2 h exposure to 0.27 ppm O_3 or filtered air in a cross-over design (Vagaggini et al., 2002). At 6 h postexposure, eosinophil numbers in induced sputum were found to be significantly greater after O_3 than after air. Studies such as these suggest that the time course of eosinophil and neutrophil influx following O_3 exposure can occur to levels detectable within the airway lumen by as early as 6 h. They also suggest that the previous or concurrent activation of proinflammatory pathways within the airway epithelium may enhance the inflammatory effects of O_3. For example, in an *in vitro* study of epithelial cells from the upper and lower respiratory tract, cytokine production induced by rhinovirus infection was enhanced synergistically by concurrent exposure to O_3 at 0.2 ppm for 3 h (Spannhake et al, 2002).

The use of bronchial mucosal biopsies has also provided important insight into the modulation by O_3 of existing inflammatory processes within asthmatics. In a study of healthy and allergic asthmatic subjects exposed to 0.2 ppm O_3 or filtered air for 2 h, biopsies were performed 6 hr following exposure (Bosson et al., 2003). Monoclonal antibodies were used to assess epithelial expression of a variety of cytokines and chemokines. At baseline (air exposure), asthmatic subjects showed significantly higher expression of interleukins (IL)-4 and -5. Following O_3 exposure, the epithelial expression of IL-5, IL-8, granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor (GM-CSF) and epithelial cell-derived neutrophil-activating peptide

78 (ENA-78) was significantly greater in asthmatic subjects, as compared to healthy subjects. *In vitro* studies of bronchial epithelial cells derived by biopsy from nonatopic, nonasthmatic subjects and asthmatic subjects also demonstrated the preferential release of GM-CSF and also of regulated on activation, normal T cell-expressed and -secreted (RANTES) from asthmatic cells following O_3 exposure.

The time course of the inflammatory response to O_3 in humans has not been explored fully. Nevertheless, studies in which BAL was performed 1-3 h (Devlin et al., 1990; Koren et al., 1991; Seltzer et al., 1986) after exposure to 0.4 ppm O_3 demonstrated that the inflammatory response is quickly initiated, and other studies (Koren et al., 1989a,b; Torres et al., 1997; Scannell et al., 1996; Balmes et al., 1996) indicated that, even 18 h after exposure, inflammatory mediators such as IL-6 and PMNs were still elevated. However, different markers show peak responses at different times. Ozone-induced increases in IL-8, IL-6, and PGE_2 are greater immediately after O_3 exposure, whereas BAL levels of fibronectin and plasminogen activator are greater after 18 h. PMNs and some products (protein, Tissue Factor) are similarly elevated both 1 and 18 h after O_3 exposure (Devlin et al., 1996; Torres et al., 1997). Schelegle et al. (1991) found increased PMNs in the "proximal airway" lavage at 1, 6, and 24 h after O_3 exposure, with a peak response at 6 h. In a typical BAL sample, PMNs were elevated only at the later time points. This is consistent with the greater increase 18 h after exposure seen by Torres et al. (1997). In addition to the influx of PMNs and (in allergic asthmatics) eosinophils, lymphocyte numbers in BAL were also seen to be elevated significantly at 6 h following exposure of healthy subjects to 0.2 ppm O_3 for 2 h (Blomberg et al., 1997). Analysis of these cells by flow cytometry indicated the increased presence of CD3+, CD4+ and CD8+ T cell subsets. This same laboratory later demonstrated that within 1.5 h following exposure of healthy subjects to the same O_3 regimen, expression of human leukocyte antigen (HLA)-DR on lavaged macrophages underwent a significant, 2.5-fold increase (Blomberg et al., 1999). The significance of these alterations in immune system components and those in IL-4 and IL-5 expression described above in the studies of Bosson et al. (2003) has not been fully explored and may suggest a role for O_3 in the modulation of immune inflammatory processes.

AX6.9.4 Adaptation of Inflammatory Responses

Residents of areas with high oxidant concentrations tend to have somewhat blunted pulmonary function responses and symptoms to O_3 exposure (Hackney et al., 1976, 1977b, 1989; Avol et al., 1988; Linn et al., 1988). Animal studies suggest that while inflammation may be diminished with repeated exposure, underlying damage to lung epithelial cells continues (Tepper et al., 1989). Devlin et al. (1997) examined the inflammatory responces of humans repeatedly exposed to 0.4 ppm O_3 for 5 consecutive days. Several indicators of inflammation (e.g., PMN influx, IL-6, PGE_2, fibronectin, macrophage phagocytosis) were attenuated after 5 days of exposure (i.e., values were not different from FA). Several markers (LDH, IL-8, total protein, epithelial cells) did not show attenuation, indicating that tissue damage probably continues to occur during repeated exposure. The recovery of the inflammatory response occurred for some markers after 10 days, but some responses were not normalized even after 20 days. The continued presence of markers of cellular injury indicates a persistent but not necessarily perceived response to O_3.

Christian et al. (1998) randomly subjected heathy subjects to a single exposure and to 4 consecutive days of exposure to 0.2 ppm O_3 for 4 h. As reported by others, they found an attenuation of FEV_1, FVC and specific airway resistance when comparing the single exposure with day 4 of the multiday exposure regimen. Similarly, both "bronchial" and "alveolar" fractions of the BAL showed decreased numbers of PMNs and fibronectin concentration at day 4 versus the single exposure, and a decrease in IL-6 levels in the alveolar fraction. Following a similar study design and exposure parameters, but with single day filtered air controls, Jörres et al. (2000) found a decrease in FEV_1 and increases in the percentages of neutrophils and lymphocytes, in concentrations of total protein, IL-6, IL-8, reduced glutathione, ortho-tyrosine and urate in BAL fluid, but no changes in bronchial biopsy histology following the single exposure. Twenty hours after the day 4 exposure, both functional and BAL cellular responses to O_3 were abolished. However, levels of total protein, IL-6, IL-8, reduced glutathione and ortho-tyrosine were still increased significantly. In addition, following the day 4 exposure, visual scores for bronchitis, erythema and the numbers of neutrophils in the mucosal biopsies were increased. Their results indicate that, despite reduction of some markers of inflammation in BAL and measures of large airway function, inflammation within the airways persists following repeated exposure to O_3.

In another study, Frank and colleagues (2001) exposed healthy subjects to filtered air and to O_3 (0.25 ppm, 2 h) on 4 consecutive days each, with pulmonary function measurements being made prior to and following each exposure. BAL was performed on day 5, 24 h following the last exposure. On day 5, PMN numbers remained significantly higher in the O_3 arm compared to air control. Of particular note in this study was the observation that small airway function, assessed by grouping values for isovolumetric FEF_{25-75}, Vmax50 and Vmax75 into a single value, showed persistent reduction from day 2 through day 5. These data suggest that methods to more effectively monitor function in the most peripheral airway regions, which are known to be the primary sites of O_3 deposition in the lung, may provide important information regarding the cumulative effects of O_3 exposure. Holz et al. (2002) made a comparison of early and late responses to allergen challenge following O_3 in subjects with allergic rhinitis or allergic asthma. With some variation, both early and late FEV_1 and cellular responses in the two subject groups were significantly enhanced by 4 consecutive days of exposure to 0.125 ppm O_3 for 3 h.

AX6.9.5 Effect of Anti-Inflammatory and Other Mitigating Agents

Studies have shown that indomethacin, a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory agent (NSAID) that inhibits the production of cyclooxygenase products of arachidonic acid metabolism, is capable of blunting the well-documented decrements in pulmonary function observed in humans exposed to O_3 (Schelegle et al., 1987; Ying et al., 1990). Indomethacin did not alter the O_3-induced increase in bronchial responsiveness to methacholine (Ying et al., 1990). Pretreatment of healthy subjects and asthmatics with indomethacin prior to exposure to 0.4 ppm for 2 h significantly attenuated decreases in FVC and FEV_1 in normals, but not asthmatics (Alexis et al., 2000). Subjects have also been given ibuprofen, another NSAID agent that blocks cyclooxygenase metabolism, prior to O_3 exposure. Ibuprofen blunted decrements in lung function following O_3 exposure (Hazucha et al., 1996). Subjects given ibuprofen also had reduced BAL levels of the cyclooxygenase product PGE_2 and thromboxane B_2, as well as IL-6, but no decreases were observed in PMNs, fibronectin, permeability, LDH activity, or macrophage phagocytic function. These studies suggest that NSAIDs can blunt O_3-induced decrements in FEV_1 with selective (perhaps drug-specific) affects on mediator release and other markers of inflammation.

At least two studies have looked at the effects of the inhaled corticosteroid, budesonide, on the effects of O_3, with differing outcome perhaps associated with the presence of preexistent disease. Nightingale and colleagues (2000) exposed healthy nonsmokers to 0.4 ppm O_3 for 2 h following 2 wk of treatment with budesonide (800 micrograms, twice daily) or placebo in a blinded, randomized cross-over study. This relatively high O_3 exposure resulted in significant decreases in spirometric measures and increases in methacholine reactivity and neutrophils and myeloperoxidase in induced sputum. No significant differences were observed in any of these endpoints following budesonide treatment versus placebo. In contrast, Vagaggini et al. (2001) compared the effects of treatment with budesonide (400 micrograms, twice daily) for 4 wk on the responses of mild asthmatic subjects to exposure to 0.27 ppm O_3 for 2 h. Prior to exposure, at the midpoint and end of exposure, and at 6 h postexposure, FEV_1 was measured and a symptom questionnaire was administered; at 6 h postexposure, sputum was induced. Budesonide treatment did not inhibit the decrement in FEV_1 or alter symptom score, but significantly blunted the increase in percent PMNs and concentration of IL-8 in the sputum. The difference in subject health status between the two studies (healthy versus mild asthmatic) may suggest a basis for the differing outcomes; however, because of differences in the corticosteroid dosage and O_3 exposure levels, that basis remains unclear.

Holz et al. (2005) investigated the mitigation of O_3-induced inflammatory responses in subjects pretreated with single doses of inhaled fluticasone and oral prednisolone. Eighteen healthy ozone-responders (>10% increase in sputum neutrophils from O_3 exposure) received corticosteroid treatment or placebo 1-h before being exposed for 3-h with IE (15 min periods rest/exercise) to 0.25 ppm O_3. Sputum was collected 3-h post-O_3 exposure. The 18 ozone-responders were selected from 35 screened subjects. Twelve subjects were disqualified from the study (6 produced insufficient sputum and 6 had inadequate neutrophil responses to O_3), the remaining 5 subjects were [presumably] qualified but did not participate. The O_3 exposure caused small changes in FEV_1 ($-3.6\% \pm 6.8\%$) that were not significantly different from baseline or between treatment groups (i.e., prescreening, placebo, fluticasone, and prednisolone). On average, the prescreening and placebo O_3 exposures caused greater than a 9-fold increase in sputum neutrophils relative to baseline levels. Relative to placebo, the inhaled or oral corticosteroids significantly reduced neutrophil levels by 62 and 64%, respectively. Total protein levels were not altered by O_3 or corticosteroid treatment. Authors concluded that the

pronounced anti-inflammatory effect of steroids in their study was due to administering the highest single doses shown to be safe and well tolerated. Furthermore, steroids were administered so that maximal plasma level would be reached at approximately the beginning of the O_3 exposure.

Because the O_3 exerts its actions in the respiratory tract by virtue of its strong oxidant activity, it is reasonable to assume that molecules that can act as surrogate targets in the airways, as constituents of either extracellular fluids or the intracellular milieus, could abrogate the effects of O_3. Some studies have examined the ability of dietary "antioxidant" supplements to reduce the risk of exposure of the lung to oxidant exposure. In a study of healthy, nonsmoking adults, Samet and colleagues (2001) restricted dietary ascorbate and randomly treated subjects for 2 weeks with a mixture of vitamin C, α-tocopherol and vegetable cocktail high in carrot and tomato juices or placebo. Responses to 0.4 ppm O_3 for 2 h were assessed in both groups at the end of treatment. O_3-induced decrements in FEV_1 and FVC were significantly reduced in the supplemented group, whereas the inflammatory response, as assessed by percentage neutrophils and levels of IL-6 in BAL fluid, were unaffected by antioxidant supplementation. In a study that focused on supplementation with a commercial vegetable cocktail high in the carotenoid, lycopene, healthy subjects were exposed for 2 h to 0.4 ppm O_3 after 2 wk of antioxidant supplementation or placebo (Arab et al., 2002). These investigators observed that lung epithelial cell DNA damage, as measured by the Comet Assay, decreased by 20% in supplemented subjects. However, the relationships between the types and levels of antioxidants in airway lining fluid and responsiveness to O_3 exposure is likely to be complex. In another study where differences in ascorbate and glutathione concentrations between healthy and mild asthmatic subjects were exploited, no relationship between antioxidant levels and spirometric or cellular responses could be detected (Mudway et al., 2001).

AX6.9.6 Changes in Host Defense Capability Following Ozone Exposure

Concern about the effect of O_3 on human host defense capability derives from numerous animal studies demonstrating that acute exposure to as little as 0.08 ppm O_3 causes decrements in antibacterial host defenses (see Chapter 5). A study of experimental rhinovirus infection in susceptible human volunteers failed to show any effect of 5 consecutive days of O_3 exposure on the clinical evolution of, or host response to, a viral challenge (Henderson et al., 1988). Healthy

men were nasally inoculated with type 39 rhinovirus (10^3 $TCID_{50}$). There was no difference between the O_3-exposed and control groups in rhinovirus titers in nasal secretions, in levels of interferon gamma or PMNs in NL fluid, or in blood lymphocyte proliferative response to rhinovirus antigen. However, subsequent findings that rhinovirus can attach to the intracellular adhesion molecule (ICAM)-1 receptor on respiratory tract epithelial cells (Greve et al., 1989) and that O_3 can up-regulate the ICAM-1 receptor on nasal epithelial cells (Beck et al., 1994) suggest that more studies are needed to explore the possibility that prior O_3 exposure can enhance rhinovirus binding to, and infection of, the nasal epithelium.

In a single study, human AM host defense capacity was measured *in vitro* in AMs removed from subjects exposed to 0.08 and 0.10 ppm O_3 for 6.6 h while undergoing moderate exercise. Alveolar macrophages from O_3-exposed subjects had significant decrements in complement-receptor-mediated phagocytosis of *Candida albicans* (Devlin et al., 1991). The impairment of AM host defense capability could potentially result in decreased ability to phagocytose and kill inhaled microorganisms *in vivo*. A concentration-dependent decrease in phagocytosis of AMs exposed to 0.1 to 1.0 ppm O_3 *in vitro* has also been shown Becker et al. (1991). Although the evidence is inconclusive at present, there is a concern that O_3 may render humans and animals more susceptible to a subsequent bacterial challenge.

Only two studies (Foster et al., 1987; Gerrity et al., 1993) have investigated the effect of O_3 exposure on mucociliary particle clearance in humans. Foster et al. (1987) had seven healthy subjects inhale radiolabeled particles (5 µm MMAD) and then exposed these subjects to FA or O_3 (0.2 and 0.4 ppm) during light IE for 2 h. Gerrity et al. (1993) exposed 15 healthy subjects to FA or 0.4 ppm O_3 during CE (40 L/min) for 1 h; at 2 h post-O_3 exposure, subjects then inhaled radiolabeled particles (5 µm MMAD). Subjects in both studies had similar pulmonary function responses (average FVC decrease of 11 to 12%) immediately postexposure to 0.4 ppm O_3. The Foster et al. (1987) study suggested there is a stimulatory affect of O_3 on mucociliary clearance; whereas, Gerrity et al. (1993) found that in the recovery period following O_3 exposure, mucus clearance is similar to control, i.e., following a FA exposure. The clearance findings in these studies are complementary not conflicting. Investigators in both studies suggested that O_3-induced increases in mucociliary clearance could be mediated by cholinergic receptors. Gerrity et al. (1993) further suggested that transient clearance increases

might be coincident to pulmonary function responses; this supposition based on the return of sRaw to baseline and the recovery of FVC to within 5% of baseline (versus an 11% decrement immediately postexposure) prior to clearance measurements.

Insofar as the airway epithelial surface provides a barrier to entry of biological, chemical and particulate contaminants into the submucosal region, the maintenance of barrier integrity represents a component of host defense. Many of the studies of upper and lower respiratory responses to O_3 exposure previously cited above have reported increases in markers of airway permeability after both acute exposures and repeated exposures. These findings suggest that O_3 may increase access of airborne agents. In a study of bronchial epithelial cells obtained from nonatopic and mild atopic asthmatic subjects (Bayram et al., 2002), cells were grown to confluence and transferred to porous membranes. When the cultures again reached confluence, they were exposed to 0.01-0.1 ppm O_3 or air and their permeability was assessed by measuring the paracellular flux of ^{14}C-BSA. The increase in permeability 24 h following O_3 exposure was observed to be significantly greater in cultures of cells derived from asthmatics, compared to healthy subjects. Thus, the late increase in airway permeability following exposure of asthmatic subjects to O_3, of the sort described by Newson et al. (2000), may be related to an inherent susceptibility of 'asthmatic' cells to the barrier-reducing effects of O_3.

As referenced in Section 6.9.3, the O_3-induced increase in the numbers of CD8+ T lymphocytes in the airways of healthy subjects reported by Blomberg et al. (1997) poses several interesting questions regarding possible alterations in immune surveillance processes following exposure. In a subsequent study from the same group, Krishna et al. (1998) exposed healthy subjects to 0.2 ppm O_3 or filtered air for 2 h followed by BAL at 6 h. In addition to increased PMNs and other typical markers of inflammation, they found a significant decrease in the CD4+/CD8+ T lymphocyte ratio and in the proportion of activated CD4+ and CD8+ cells. Studies relating to the effects of low-level O_3 exposure on the influx and activity of immunocompetent cells in the upper and lower respiratory tracts may shed additional light on modulation of this important area of host defense.

AX6.10 EXTRAPULMONARY EFFECTS OF OZONE

Ozone reacts rapidly on contact with respiratory system tissue and is not absorbed or transported to extrapulmonary sites to any significant degree as such. Laboratory animal studies suggest that reaction products formed by the interaction of O_3 with respiratory system fluids or tissues may produce effects measured outside the respiratory tract—either in the blood, as changes in circulating blood lymphocytes, erythrocytes, and serum, or as changes in the structure or function of other organs, such as the parathyroid gland, the heart, the liver, and the central nervous system. Very little is known, however, about the mechanisms by which O_3 could cause these extrapulmonary effects. (*See Section 5.4 for a discussion of the systemic effects of* O_3 *observed in laboratory animals*.)

The results from human exposure studies discussed in the previous criteria documents (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986, 1996) failed to demonstrate any consistent extrapulmonary effects. Early studies on peripheral blood lymphocytes collected from human volunteers did not find any significant genotoxic or functional changes at O_3 exposures of 0.4 to 0.6 ppm for up to 4 h/day. Limited data on human subjects indicated that 0.5 ppm O_3 exposure for over 2 h caused transient changes in blood erythrocytes and sera (e.g., erythrocyte fragility and enzyme activities), but the physiological significance of these studies remains questionable. The conclusions drawn from these early studies raise doubt that cellular damage or altered function is occurring to circulating cells at O_3 exposures under 0.5 ppm.

Other human exposure studies have attempted to identify specific markers of exposure to O_3 in blood. For example, Schelegle et al. (1989) showed that $PGF_{2\alpha}$ was elevated after O_3 exposure (0.35 ppm); however, no increase in α-1 protease inhibitor was observed by Johnson et al. (1986). Foster et al. (1996) found a reduction in the serum levels of the free radical scavenger α-tocopherol after O_3 exposure. Vender et al. (1994) failed to find any changes in indices of red blood cell antioxidant capacity (GSH, CAT) in healthy male subjects exposed to 0.16 ppm O_3 for 7.5 h while intermittently exercising. Liu et al. (1997, 1999) used a salicylate metabolite, 2,3, dehydroxybenzoic acid (DHBA), to indicate increased levels of hydroxyl radical which hydroxylates salicylate to DHBA. Increased DHBA levels after exposure to 0.12 and 0.40 ppm suggest that O_3 increases production of hydroxyl radical. The levels of DHBA were correlated with changes in spirometry.

Only a few experimental human studies have examined O_3 effects in other nonpulmonary organ systems besides blood. Early studies on the central nervous system (Gliner et al., 1979, 1980) were not able to find significant effects on motor activity or behavior (vigilance and psychomotor performance) from O_3 exposures at rest up to 0.75 ppm (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986). Drechsler-Parks et al. (1995) monitored ECG, HR, cardiac output, stroke volume, and systolic time intervals in healthy, older subjects (56 to 85 years of age) exposed to 0.45 ppm O_3 using a noninvasive impedance cardiographic method. No changes were found at this high O_3 concentration after 2 h of exposure while the subjects exercised intermittently at 25 L/min.

Gong et al. (1998) monitored ECG, HR, cardiac output, blood pressure, oxygen saturation, and chemistries, as well as calculating other hemodynamic variables (e.g., stroke volume, vascular resistance, rate-pressure products) in both healthy (n = 6) and hypertensive (n = 10) adult males (41-78 years old). Subjects were exposed for 3 h with IE ($\dot{V}_E \approx 30$ L/min) to FA and on the subsequent day to 0.3 ppm O_3. S*ee Section AX6.3 for more details about this study*. Statistically significant O_3 effects for both groups combined were increases in HR, rate-pressure product, and the alveolar-to-arterial PO_2 gradient. Gong et al. (1998) suggested that by impairing alveolar-arterial oxygen transfer, the O_3 exposure could potentially lead to adverse cardiac events by decreasing oxygen supply to the myocardium. The subjects in the Gong et al. (1998) study had sufficient functional reserve so as to not experience significant ECG changes or myocardial ischemia and/or injury. However, Gong et al. (1998) concluded that O_3 exposure could pose a cardiopulmonary risk to persons with preexisting cardiovascular disease, with or without concomitant respiratory disease.

The mechanism for the decrease in arterial oxygen tension in the Gong et al. (1998) study could be due to an O_3 induced ventilation-perfusion mismatch. It is well recognized and accepted that ventilation and perfusion per unit lung volume increase with progression from the apex to the base of the lung in normal upright healthy humans (Inkley and MacIntyre, 1973; Kaneko et al., 1966). But, Foster et al. (1993) demonstrated that even in relatively young healthy adults (26.7 ± 7 years old), O_3 exposure can cause ventilation to shift away from the well perfused basal lung (*see Section AX6.2.3 for more details*). This effect of O_3 on ventilation distribution [and by association the small airways] may persist beyond 24-h postexposure (Foster et al., 1997). Hypoxic pulmonary artery vasoconstriction acts to shift perfusion away from areas

of low ventilation and moderate ventilation-perfusion mismatches (Šantak et al., 1998). This arterial vasoconstriction is thought to be mediated by protein kinase C, (Barman, 2001; Tsai et al., 2004). A more generalized (i.e., not localized to poor ventilated areas) increase in pulmonary vascular resistance in response to O_3 exposure would presumably act against the ability of the hypoxic vasoconstriction in mediating ventilation-perfusion mismatches. Acute arterial vasoconstriction has been observed clinically in humans (15 M, 10 F; 34.9 ± 10 years old) exposed for 2-h to O_3 (0.12 ppm) in tandem with fine particulate ($\approx$150 $\mu g/m^3$) (Brook et al., 2002). Delaunois et al. (1998) also found that O_3 exposure increases total (arterial, capillary, and venous segments) pulmonary vascular resistance in rabbits. Hence, vasoconstriction could potentially be induced by mechanisms other than regional hypoxia during O_3 exposure. This notion is consistent with the O_3-induced reduction in alveolar-arterial oxygen transfer observed by Gong et al. (1998).

Effects of O_3 exposure on alveolar-arterial oxygen gradients may be more pronounced in patients with preexisting obstructive lung diseases. Relative to healthy elderly subjects, COPD patients have increased heterogeneity in both regional ventilation and perfusion (Kronenberg et al., 1973). King and Briscoe (1968) examined the distribution of ventilation and perfusion in a group of eight patients with severe COPD (mean FEV_1/FVC = 36%). In these patients, 68% of the lung by volume received 45% of the cardiac output, but only 10% of the total alveolar ventilation. This distribution of ventilation and perfusion in the patients contributed to their low mean SaO_2 of only 82% (inspired oxygen, 20.93%). Thus, even prior to O_3 exposure, COPD patients may have reduced gas exchange and low SaO_2. Based on model predictions, increasing tidal volume increases the O_3 dose to the proximal alveolar region (Overton et al., 1996). Similarly, with 90% of the alveolar ventilation supplied to only 32% of lung's volume, the well ventilated regions of the COPD lung will be subjected to increased peripheral O_3 doses. Any inflammatory or edematous responses due to O_3 delivered to the well ventilated regions of the COPD lung will likely further inhibit gas exchange and reduce oxygen saturation.

In addition to reducing alveolar-arterial oxygen transfer, O_3 induced vasoconstriction could also acutely induce pulmonary hypertension. Individuals with COPD and coexisting pulmonary hypertension might be subpopulations sensitive to cardiac effects as a consequence of O_3 exposure. Acute pulmonary hypertension could potentially affect cardiac function by increasing right ventricular workloads. Oral or inhaled vasodilators are used in patients to reduce

pulmonary artery pressure to improve right ventricular function (Šantak et al., 1998). Consequently, inducing pulmonary vasoconstriction in these patients would perhaps worsen their condition, especially if their right ventricular function was already compromised. There are reduced spirometric and symptom responses to O_3 exposure with age (*see Section AX6.5.1*). It is conceivable, therefore, that COPD patients and elderly individuals (due to their decreased symptomatic responses to ambient O_3) might further increase their risk of adverse cardiopulmonary responses by continuing their exposures beyond the point where young healthy adults might experience discomfort and cease exposure.

AX6.11 OZONE MIXED WITH OTHER POLLUTANTS

Controlled laboratory studies simulating conditions of ambient exposures have failed for the most part to demonstrate significant adverse effects either in healthy subjects, atopic individuals, or in young and middle-aged asthmatics.

AX6.11.1 Ozone and Sulfur Oxides

The difference in solubilities and other chemical properties of O_3 and SO_x seems to limit chemical interaction and formation of related species in the mixture of these pollutants either in liquid or gaseous phase. Laboratory studies reviewed in the previous O_3 criteria document (Table AX6-14) reported, except for one study (Linn et al., 1994), no significant effects on healthy individuals exposed to mixtures of O_3 and SO_2 or H_2SO_4 aerosol. In the study of Linn et al. (1994), which was a repeated 6.5 h exposure protocol, O_3 alone and O_3 + H_2SO_4 induced significant spirometric decrements in healthy adults and asthmatics, but the magnitude of effects between exposure atmospheres was not significant. Asthmatic and atopic subjects showed somewhat enhanced or potentiated response to mixtures or sequential exposure, respectively; however, the observed effects were almost entirely attributable to O_3 (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996). Thus, in both healthy and asthmatic subjects, the interactive effects of O_3 and other pollutants were marginal and the response was dominated by O_3.

Since 1994, the only laboratory study that examined the health effects of a mixture of O_3 and sulfur oxides (SO_2 and H_2SO_4) has been that of Linn et al. (1997). In this study, the investigators closely simulated ambient summer haze air pollution conditions in Uniontown, PA

Table AX6-14. Ozone Mixed with Other Pollutants[a]

Concentration[b] ppm	Concentration[b] µg/m³	Pollutant	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Sulfur-Containing Pollutants								
0.0 0.1 + 0.1 +	0 196[b] + 262[b] + 101[b]	Air O_3 + SO_2 + H_2SO_4	4 h IE 15' ex/ 15' rest V_E = 22 L/min	25 °C 50% RH	8 M, 7 F 1 M, 4 F 10 M, 11 F	Healthy Asthmatic Allergic All NS, 9 to 12 yrs. old	Spirometry, PEFR and subjective symptoms score showed no meaningful changes between any condition for a total study population. The symptoms score reported by a subset of asthmatics/allergics were positively associated with inhaled concentration of H_2SO_4 ($p = 0.01$).	Linn et al. (1997)
0.2 0.3	392 564	O_3 NO_2 H_2SO_4	90 min. $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 32 L/min IE 3 × 15 min	21 °C 50% RH	24 (17 M, 7 F)	Asthmatic NS, 11 to 18 years old	$H_2SO_4/O_3/NO_2$, O_3/NO_2 and clean air produced similar responses	Linn et al. (1995)
0.12 0.30 0.05	235 564 70	O_3 NO_2 H_2SO_4 HNO_3	1.5 h with IE for 2 consecutive days; $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 23.2 L/min	22 °C 65% RH	22 completed study; 15 M, 7 F	Asthmatic NS, adolescents; NS, 12 to 19 years old	No significant pulmonary function changes following any exposure compared to response to clean air. Six additional subjects started the study, but dropped out due to uncomfortable symptoms.	Koenig et al. (1994)
0.12	235 100	O_3 H_2SO_4	6.5 h 2 consecutive days 50 min exercise/h $\dot{V}_E$ = 29 L/min	21 °C 50% RH	8 M, 7 F 13 M, 17 F	Nonasthmatic NS, 22 to 41 years old Asthmatic NS, 18 to 50 years old	Exposure to O_3 or $O_3 + H_2SO_4$ induced significant decrements in forced expiratory function. Differences between O_3 and $O_3 + H_2SO_4$ were, at best, marginally significant. O_3 is the more important pollutant for inducing respiratory effects. A few asthmatic and nonasthmatic subjects were more responsive to $O_3 + H_2SO_4$ than to O_3 alone.	Linn et al. (1994)
0.08 0.12 0.18	157 235 353 100 100	O_3 O_3 O_3 NaCl H_2SO_4	3-h exposure to aerosol, followed 24 h later by a 3-h exposure to O_3. IE (10 min per half hour) $\dot{V}_E$ = 4 times resting (30 to 364 min)	21 °C ≈40% RH	16 M, 14 F 10 M, 20 F	Nonasthmatic NS, 18 to 45 years old Asthmatic NS, 21 to 42 years old	No significant changes in symptoms or lung function with any aerosol/O_3 combination in the healthy group. In asthmatics, H_2SO_4 preexposure enhanced the small decrements in FVC that occurred following exposure to 0.18 ppm O_3. Asthmatics had no significant changes on FEV_1 with any O_3 exposures, but symptoms were greater.	Utell et al. (1994) Frampton et al. (1995)

Table AX6-14 (cont'd). Ozone Mixed with Other Pollutants[a]

Concentration[b] ppm	Concentration[b] µg/m³	Pollutant	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Sulfur-Containing Pollutants (cont'd)								
0.12 0.10	235 262	O_3 SO_2	1 h (mouthpiece) IE $\dot{V}_E \approx 30$ L/min 45-min exposure to air or O_3, followed by 15-min exposure to O_3 or SO_2	22 °C 75% RH	8 M, 5 F	Allergic asthmatics, 12 to 18 years old, medications withheld for at least 4 h before exposures	Prior exposure to O_3 potentiated pulmonary function responses to SO_2; decrements in FEV_1 were −3, −2, and −8% for the air/O_3, O_3/O_3, and O_3/SO_2 exposures, respectively.	Koenig et al. (1990)
0.25	490 1,200 to 1,600	O_3 H_2SO_4	2 h IE $\dot{V}_E$ = 30 to 32 L/min	35 °C 83% RH	9 M	Healthy NS, 19 to 29 years old	No significant effects of exposure to O_3 alone or combined with H_2SO_4 aerosol.	Horvath et al. (1987)
Nitrogen-Containing Pollutants								
0.0 0.2 0.4 0.2+0.4	0 392 752	Air O_3 NO_2 O_3+NO_2	3 h IE 10' ex/ 20' rest $\dot{V}_E$ =32 L/min		9 M, 2 F	Atopic asthmatics 22 to 41 yrs. old	Exposure to NO_2 alone had minimal effects on FEV_1. However, O_3 alone or in combination elicited significantly greater decline in FEV_1 in a short (3 h) exposure (higher concentrations) than a long (6 h) exposure where the effects were nonsignificant. Allergen challenge inhalation significantly reduced PD_{20} FEV_1 in all short but not the long exposures. No additive or potentiating effects have been observed.	Jenkins et al. (1999)
0.1 0.2 0.1+0.2	196 376	O_3 NO_2 O_3+NO_2	6 h IE 10' ex/ 20' rest $\dot{V}_E$ =32 L/min T = 25 °C RH = 50%					
0.0 0.36 0.36 0.75 0.36	0 706 677 1,411 943	Air O_3 NO_2 NO_2 SO_2	2 h rest	Head only exposure	6 M, 6 F	Healthy NS 19 to 33 yrs. old	For NO_2 and SO_2 the absorbed fraction of O_3 increased relative (to baseline) whereas after O_3 exposure it decreased. The differences explained by an increased production of O_3-reactive substrate in ELF due to inflammation.	Rigas et al. (1997)
0.45 0.60	883 1,129	O_3 NO_2	2-h random exposures to FA, O_3, NO_2, and O_3 + NO_2; IE; $\dot{V}_E$ = 26-29 L/min	23.6 °C 62% RH	6 M 2 F	Healthy, NS, 56 to 85 years old	Exercise-induced cardiac output was smaller with O_3 + NO_2 exposure compared to FA or O_3 alone.	Drechsler-Parks et al. (1995)

Table AX6-14 (cont'd). Ozone Mixed with Other Pollutants[a]

Concentration[b] ppm	Concentration[b] µg/m³	Pollutant	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Nitrogen-Containing Pollutants (cont'd)								
0.30 0.60	589 1,129	O_3 NO_2	2-h exposure to NO_2 or FA, followed 3 h later by 2-h exposure to O_3, IE $\dot{V}_E$ = 20 L/min/m² BSA	21 °C 40% RH	21 F	Healthy NS, 18 to 34 years old	No significant effect of NO_2 exposures on any measured parameter. Sequential exposure of NO_2 followed by O_3 induced small but significantly larger decrements in FEV_1 and FEF_{25-75} than FA/O_3 sequence. Subjects had increased airway responsiveness to methacholine after both exposures, with significantly greater responsiveness after the NO_2/O_3 sequences than after the FA/O_3 sequence.	Hazucha et al. (1994)
0.2	392 500	O_3 HNO_3 H_2O	5 h IE (50 min/h exercise) $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 40 L/min 2 h HNO_3 or H_2O fog or air, followed by 1-h break, followed by 3 h O_3	20 °C 5% RH	6 M, 4 F	Healthy NS, minimum of 10% decrement in FEV_1 after 3 h exposure to 0.20 ppm O_3 with 50 min exercise/h	Exposure to HNO_3 or H_2O fog followed by O_3 induced smaller pulmonary function decrements than air followed by O_3.	Aris et al. (1991)
0.0 0.12 0.30 0.12+0.30	0 235 564	Air O_3 NO_2 O_3 + NO_2	1 h (mouthpiece) IE $\dot{V}_E$ = 33 L/min $\dot{V}_E$ = 35 L/min	22 °C 75% RH	5 M, 7 F 9 M, 3 F	Healthy NS, 12 to 17 years old Asthmatic 13 to 18 years old	Findings inconsistent across cohorts and atmospheres. No significant differences in FEV_1 and R_T between asthmatics and healthy, or between atmospheres and cohorts.	Koenig et al. (1988)
0.30 0.60	589 1,129	O_3 NO_2	1 h (mouthpiece) CE $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 70 L/min for men $\dot{V}_E \approx$ 50 L/min for women		20 M, 20 F	Healthy NS, 21.4 ± 1.5 (SD) years old for F, 22.7 ± 3.3 (SD) years old for M	No differences between responses to O_3 and NO_2 + O_3 for spirometric parameters. Increase in SRaw with NO_2 + O_3 was significantly less than for O_3 alone.	Adams et al. (1987)
0.30 0.30	589 564 200	O_3 NO_2 H_2SO_4	2 h CE for 20 min $\dot{V} \approx$ 25 L/min	28 to 29 °C 50 to 60% RH	6 M	Healthy subjects, some smokers	Possible small decrease in SG_{aw}	Kagawa (1986)
0.15 0.15	294 284 200	O_3 NO_2 H_2SO_4	2 h, 60 min total exercise $\dot{V} \approx$ 25 L/min		6 M		Possible small decrease in SG_{aw}	
0.15 0.15 0.15	294 282 393 200	O_3 NO_2 SO_2 H_2SO_4	2 h, 60 min total exercise $\dot{V} \approx$ 25 L/min		3 M		Possible small decrease in FEV_1	

Table AX6-14 (cont'd). Ozone Mixed With Other Pollutants[a]

Concentration[b] ppm	Concentration[b] µg/m³	Pollutant	Exposure Duration and Activity	Exposure Conditions[c]	Number and Gender of Subjects	Subject Characteristics	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
Peroxyacetyl Nitrate								
0.45 0.60 0.13	883 1,129 644	O_3 NO_2 PAN	2 h IE $\dot{V}_E \approx 25$ L/min	24 °C 55 to 58% RH	8 M, 8 F 8 M, 8 F	Healthy NS; 19 to 26 years old; 51 to 76 years old	No differences between responses to O_3 alone, $O_3 + NO_2$, O_3 + PAN, or $O_3 + NO_2$ + PAN.	Drechsler-Parks et al. (1989)
0.45 0.30	883 1,485	O_3 PAN	2 h IE $\dot{V}_E \approx 27$ L/min	22 °C 60% RH	3 M, 5 F	Healthy NS, mean age = 24 years	No differences between responses to exposure to O_3 alone and O_3 + PAN.	Drechsler-Parks et al. (1987b)
0.485 0.27	952 1,337	O_3 PAN	2 h IE $\dot{V}_E \approx 25$ L/min	21 °C WBGT	10 F	Healthy NS, 19 to 36 years old	Exposure to the mixture of PAN + O_3 induced decrements in FVC and FEV_1 averaging 10% greater than observed following exposure to O_3 alone.	Horvath et al. (1986)
Particle-Containing Pollutants								
0.0 0.12	0 235[b] + 153[b]	Air O_3 + $PM_{2.5}$	2-2.5 h rest	22 °C 30% RH	15 M, 10 F	Healthy NS 18 to 50 yrs. old	Neither systolic nor diastolic pressure has been affected by pollutants exposure despite a significant brachial artery constriction and a reduction in arterial diameter when compared to filtered air ($p = 0.03$). Absence of flow- and nitroglycerin-mediated brachial artery dilatation.	Brook et al. (2002)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Grouped by pollutant mixture.
[c]$WBGT = 0.7\ T_{wet\ bult} + 0.3\ T_{dry\ bulb\ or\ globe}$.

as well as controlled the selection of study subjects with the objective to corroborate earlier reported findings of an epidemiologic study of Neas et al. (1995). The subjects were 41 children (22F/19M) 9 to 12 yrs old. Of these, 26 children had history of asthma or allergy. During a 14-day study period, children were exposed on the 4th and 11th day for 4 hrs (IE, 15 min @ avg. $\dot{V}_E$ 22 L/min) in random order to air and a mixture of 0.10 ppm O_3, 0.10 ppm SO_2 and 42 to 198 mg/m^3 H_2SO_4 (mean conc. 101 mg/m^3, 0.6 mm MMAD). The effects of controlled exposures were assessed by spirometry. Except for exposure days, children used diaries to record activity, respiratory symptoms, location, and PEFR. Thus, every exposure day was bracketed by 3 days of monitoring. Spirometry, PEFR, and respiratory symptoms score showed no meaningful changes between any condition for a total study population. The symptoms score reported by a subset of asthmatic/allergic subjects was positively associated with the inhaled concentration of H_2SO_4 ($p = 0.01$). However, the reported symptoms were different from the ones reported in the Uniontown study (Neas et al., 1995). Although retrospective statistical power calculations using these study observations for the symptoms score, PEFR, and spirometric endpoints were sufficient to detect with >80% probability the same magnitude of changes as observed in Uniontown, the effects were minimal and not significant. The divergent observations of the two studies have been explained by the presence of an unidentified environmental factor in Uniontown, differences in physico-chemical properties of acid, differences in time course of exposure and history of previous exposure of children to pollutants, psychological and physiological factors related to chamber exposures, and by other conjectures.

AX6.11.2 Ozone and Nitrogen-Containing Pollutants

Nitrogen dioxide is a key component of the photooxidation cycle and formation of O_3. Both gases are almost invariably present in ambient atmosphere. Compared to O_3, NO_x species have limited solubility and moderate oxidizing capability. Both O_3 and NO_2 are irritants and tissue oxidants and exert their toxic actions through many common mechanisms. The regional dosimetry and the primary sites of action of O_3 and NO_2 overlap but are not the same. Since these gases are relatively insoluble in water, they will likely penetrate into the peripheral airways that are more sensitive to damage than better protected conducting airways. The controlled studies reviewed in the previous O_3 criteria document (Table AX6-14) generally reported only small pulmonary function changes after combined exposures of NO_2 or nitric acid (HNO_3) with

O_3, regardless if the interactive effects were potentiating or additive. In two of these studies, the effects reached statistical significance, but they were not coherent. Preexposure with NO_2 potentiated both spirometric and nonspecific airway reactivity response following subsequent O_3 exposure (Hazucha et al., 1994); however, exposure to NO_2 + O_3 mixture blunted SRaw increase as compared to O_3 alone (Adams et al.,1987). As with O_3 and SO_x mixtures, the effects have been dominated by O_3 (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996).

Combined exposure to O_3 and NO_2 also blunted the exercise-induced increase in cardiac output found with FA and O_3 exposures alone (Drechsler-Parks, 1995). Eight healthy older subjects (56 to 85 years of age) were exposed for 2 h to FA, 0.60 ppm NO_2, 0.45 ppm O_3, and to 0.60 ppm NO_2 + 0.45 ppm O_3 while alternating 20-min periods of rest and exercise. Cardiac output, HR, stroke volume, and systolic time intervals were measured by noninvasive impedance cardiography at the beginning of each exposure, while the subjects were at rest, and again during the last 5 min of exercise. Metabolic exercise data ($\dot{V}_E$, $\dot{V}O_2$, f_B) also were measured. There were no statistically significant differences between exposures for HR, $\dot{V}_E$, $\dot{V}O_2$, f_B, stroke volume, or systolic time intervals. Exercise increased cardiac output after all exposures; however, the incremental increase over rest was significantly smaller for the combined O_3 and NO_2 exposures. The authors speculated that nitrate and nitrite reaction products from the interaction of O_3 and NO_2 cross the air/blood interface in the lungs, causing peripheral vasodilation and a subsequent drop in cardiac output. No major cardiovascular effects of O_3 only exposures have been reported in human subjects (*see Section AX6.10*).

Despite suggested potentiation of O_3 response by NO_2 in healthy subjects, it is unclear what response, and at what dose, either sequential or combined gas exposures will induce in asthmatics. Jenkins et al. (1999) exposed 11 atopic asthmatics in random order to air, 0.1 ppm O_3, 0.2 ppm NO_2, and 0.1 ppm O_3 + 0.2 ppm NO_2 for 6 h (IE for 10 min @ 32 L/min every 40 min). Two weeks later, 10 of these subjects were exposed for 3 h to doubled concentrations of these gases (i.e., 0.2 ppm O_3, 0.4 ppm NO_2, and 0.2 ppm O_3 + 0.4 ppm NO_2) employing the same exercise regimen. Immediately following each exposure, subjects were challenged with allergen (D. pteronyssinus) and PD_{20} FEV_1 was determined. Exposure to NO_2 alone had minimal effects on FEV_1 or airway responsiveness. However, O_3 alone or in combination with NO_2 elicited a significantly ($p < 0.05$) greater decline in FEV_1 in a short (3 h)

exposure (higher concentrations) than the long (6 h) exposure, where the effects were not significant. Allergen challenge inhalation significantly ($p = 0.018$ to 0.002) reduced PD_{20} FEV_1 in all short, but not the long, exposures. No associations were observed between pollutant concentrations and physiologic endpoints. The statistical analyses of these data suggest that the combined effect ($O_3 + NO_2$) on lung function (FVC, FEV_1) was not significantly greater than the effect of individual gases for 6-h exposures, thus no additive or potentiating effects have been observed. Shorter 3-h exposures using twice as high NO_2 concentrations, however, showed significant FEV_1 decrements following exposures to atmospheres containing O_3. The analysis also suggests that it is the inhaled concentration, rather than total dose, that determines lung airway responsiveness to allergen.

The potential for interaction between O_3 and other gas mixtures was studied by Rigas et al. (1997). They used an O_3 bolus absorption technique to determine how exposures to O_3, NO_2, and SO_2 will affect distribution of O_3 adsorption by airway mucosa. The selected O_3 bolus volume was set to reach lower conducting airways. Healthy young nonsmokers (6F/6M) were exposed on separate days at rest in a head dome to 0.36 ppm O_3, 0.36 ppm NO_2, 0.75 ppm NO_2 and 0.75 ppm SO_2 for 2 h. The rationale for the selection of these gases was their differential absorption. Because O_3 and NO_2 are much less soluble in liquid (i.e., ELF) than SO_2, they are expected to penetrate deeper into the lung than SO_2 which is absorbed more quickly in the epithelial lining fluid of the upper airways. The actual experimental measurements have shown that during continuous NO_2 and SO_2 exposure the absorbed fraction of an O_3 bolus in lower conducting airways increased relative to baseline, whereas during continuous O_3 exposure the O_3 bolus fraction in lower conducting airways decreased. The authors attempted to explain the differences by suggesting that there may be increased production of an O_3-reactive substrate in epithelial lining fluid due to airway inflammation. As interpreted by the investigators, during NO_2 and SO_2 exposures the substrate was not depleted by these gases and so could react with the O_3 bolus, whereas during O_3 exposure the substrate was depleted, causing the fractional absorption of the O_3 bolus to decrease. Greater absorption in males than females for all gases was attributed to anatomical differences in the bronchial tree.

AX6.11.3 Ozone and Other Pollutant Mixtures Including Particulate Matter

Almost all of the studies published over the last twenty years investigating the health effects of mixtures of O_3 with other air pollutants involved peroxyacetyl nitrate (PAN). These studies on healthy individuals exposed under laboratory conditions came from the Horvath laboratory at UC Santa Barbara (Table AX6-13). In the last of this series of studies, Drechsler-Parks and colleagues (1989) found the same equivocal interaction of O_3 and PAN as in previous studies, which is attributable to O_3 exposure alone (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1996). Subsequently, only a couple of studies have investigated the effects of more complex air pollutant mixtures on human pathophysiology under controlled conditions.

It is not only the interaction between air pollutants in ambient air; but, as Rigas et al. (1997) has found, an uneven distribution of O_3, SO_2, and NO_2 absorption in the lower conducting airways of young healthy subjects may modulate pathophysiologic response as well. Exposure to SO_2 and NO_2 increased, while exposure to O_3 decreased, the absorbing capacity of the airways for O_3. The authors have suggested that SO_2 or NO_2 -inflamed airways release additional substrates into the epithelial lining fluid that react with O_3, thus progressively removing O_3 from the airway lumen. This mechanism may explain findings of antagonistic response (e.g., Adams et al., 1987; Dreschler-Parks, 1995) when the two gases are combined in an exposure atmosphere.

The mechanisms by which inhalation exposure to other complex ambient atmospheres containing particulate matter (PM) and O_3 induce cardiac events frequently reported in epidemiologic studies are rarely studied in human subjects under laboratory conditions. Recently, Brook et al. (2002) have reported changes in brachial artery tone and reactivity in healthy nonsmokers following 2-h exposures to a mixture of 0.12 ppm O_3 and 153 $\mu g/m^3$ of concentrated ambient $PM_{2.5}$, and a control atmosphere of filtered air with a trace of O_3, administered in random order. Neither systolic nor diastolic pressure was affected by pollutant exposure despite a significant brachial artery constriction and a reduction in arterial diameter when compared to filtered air ($p = 0.03$). The authors postulate that changes in arterial tone may be a plausible mechanism of air pollution-induced cardiac events. However, the observations of no changes in blood pressure, and an absence of flow- and nitroglycerin- mediated brachial artery dilatation, cast some doubt on the plausibility of this mechanism. A number of other

proposed mechanisms advanced to establish a link between cardiac events due to pollution and changes in vasomotor tone based on the findings of this study are purely speculative.

AX6.12 CONTROLLED STUDIES OF AMBIENT AIR EXPOSURES

A large amount of informative O_3 exposure-effects data has been obtained in controlled laboratory exposure studies under a variety of different experimental conditions. However, laboratory simulation of the variable pollutant mixtures present in ambient air is not practical. Thus, the exposure effects of one or several artificially generated pollutants (i.e., a simple mixture) on pulmonary function and symptoms may not explain responses to ambient air where complex pollutant mixtures exist. Epidemiologic studies, which do investigate ambient air exposures, do not typically provide the level of control and monitoring necessary to adequately characterize short term responses. Thus, controlled exposures to ambient air using limited numbers of volunteers have been used to try and bridge the gap between laboratory and community exposures.

AX6.12.1 Mobile Laboratory Studies

As presented in previous criteria documents (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986; 1996), quantitatively useful information on the effects of acute exposure to photochemical oxidants on pulmonary function and symptoms responses originated from field studies using a mobile laboratory. These field studies involved subjects exposed to ambient air, FA without pollutants, or FA containing artificially generated concentrations of O_3 that are comparable to those measured in the ambient environment. As a result, measured pulmonary responses in ambient air can be directly compared to those found in more artificial or controlled conditions. However, the mobile laboratory shares some of the same limitations of stationary exposure laboratories (e.g., limited number of both subjects and artificially generated pollutants for testing). Further, mobile laboratory ambient air studies are dependent on ambient outdoor conditions which can be unpredictable, uncontrollable, and not completely characterizable.

As summarized in Table AX6-15, investigators in California used a mobile laboratory and demonstrated that pulmonary effects of ambient air in Los Angeles residents are related to O_3 concentration and level of exercise (Avol et al., 1983, 1984, 1985a,b,c, 1987; Linn et al., 1980,

Table AX6-15. Acute Effects of Ozone in Ambient Air in Field Studies with a Mobile Laboratory[a]

Mean Ozone Concentration[b]		Ambient Temperature[c]	Exposure	Activity Level			
ppm	µg/m^3	(°C)	Duration	($\dot{V}_E$)	Number of Subjects	Observed Effect(s)	Reference
0.113 ± .033	221 ± 65	33 ± 1	1 h	CE (22 L/min)	66 healthy children, 8 to 11 years old	No significant changes in forced expiratory function and symptoms of breathing discomfort after exposure to 0.113 ppm O_3 in ambient air.	Avol et al. (1987)
0.144 ± .043	282 ± 84	32 ± 1	1 h	CE (32 L/min)	59 healthy adolescents, 12 to 15 years old	Small significant decreases in FVC (−2.1%), $FEV_{0.75}$ (−4.0%), FEV_1 (−4.2%), and PEFR (−4.4%) relative to control with no recovery during a 1-h postexposure rest; no significant increases in symptoms.	Avol et al. (1985a,b)
0.153 ± .025	300 ± 49	32 ± 2	1 h	CE (53 L/min)	50 healthy adults (competitive bicyclists)	Mild increases in symptoms scores and significant decreases in FEV_1 (−5.3%) and FVC; mean changes in ambient air were not statistically different from those in purified air containing 0.16 ppm O_3.	Avol et al. (1984, 1985c)
0.156 ± .055	306 ± 107	33 ± 4	1 h	CE (38 L/min)	48 healthy adults, 50 asthmatic adults	No significant changes for total symptom score or forced expiratory performance in normals or asthmatics; however, FEV_1 remained low or decreased further (−3%) 3 h after ambient air exposure in asthmatics.	Linn et al. (1983) Avol et al. (1983)
0.165 ± .059	323 ± 115	33 ± 3	1 h	CE (42 L/min)	60 "healthy" adults (7 were asthmatic)	Small significant decreases in FEV_1 (−3.3%) and FVC with no recovery during a 1-h postexposure rest; TLC decreased and ΔN_2 increased slightly.	Linn et al. (1983) Avol et al. (1983)
0.174 ± .068	341 ± 133	33 ± 2	2 h	IE (2 times resting) at 15-min intervals	34 "healthy" adults, 30 asthmatic adults	Increased symptom scores and small significant decreases in FEV_1 (−2.4%), FVC, PEFR, and TLC in both asthmatic and healthy subjects; however, 25/34 healthy subjects were allergic and "atypically" reactive to polluted ambient air.	Linn et al. (1980, 1983)

[a]See Appendix A for abbreviations and acronyms.
[b]Ranked by lowest level of O_3 in ambient air, presented as the mean ± SD.
[c]Mean ± SD.

1983). Avol et al. (1987) observed no significant pulmonary function or symptoms responses in children (8 to 11 years) engaged in moderate continuous exercise for 1 h while breathing ambient air with an O_3 concentration of 0.113 ppm. However, significant pulmonary function decrements and increased symptoms of breathing discomfort were observed in healthy exercising (1 h continuous) adolescents (Avol et al., 1985a,b), athletes, (Avol et al., 1984, 1985c) and lightly exercising asthmatic subjects (Linn et al., 1980, 1983) at O_3 concentrations averaging from 0.144 to 0.174 ppm. Many of the healthy subjects with a history of allergy appeared to be more responsive to O_3 than "nonallergic" subjects (Linn et al., 1980, 1983), although a standardized evaluation of atopic status was not performed. Comparative studies of exercising athletes (Avol et al., 1984, 1985c) with chamber exposures to oxidant-polluted ambient air (mean O_3 concentration of 0.153 ppm) and purified air containing a controlled concentration of generated O_3 at 0.16 ppm showed similar pulmonary function responses and symptoms, suggesting that acute exposures to coexisting ambient pollutants had minimal contribution to these responses under the typical summer ambient conditions in Southern California. This contention is similar to, but extends, the laboratory finding of no significant difference in pulmonary function effects between O_3 and O_3 plus PAN exposures (Drechsler-Parks, 1987b). *Additional supporting evidence is provided in Section AX6.11.*

AX6.12.2 Aircraft Cabin Studies

Respiratory symptoms and pulmonary function effects resulting from exposure to O_3 in commercial aircraft flying at high altitudes, and in altitude-simulation studies, have been reviewed elsewhere (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1986, 1996). Flight attendants, because of their physical activities at altitude, tend to receive higher exposures. In a series of hypobaric chamber studies of nonsmoking subjects exposed to 1,829 m (6,000 ft) and O_3 at concentrations of 0.2 and 0.3 ppm for 3 or 4 h (Lategola et al., 1980a,b), increased symptoms and pulmonary function decrements occurred at 0.3 ppm but not at 0.2 ppm.

Commercial aircraft cabin O_3 levels were reported to be very low (average concentration 0.01 to 0.02 ppm) during 92 randomly selected smoking and nonsmoking flights in 1989 (Nagda et al., 1989). None of these flights recorded O_3 concentrations exceeding the 3-h time-weighted average (TWA) standard of 0.10 ppm promulgated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA, 1980), probably due to the use of O_3-scrubbing catalytic filters (Melton, 1990). However,

in-flight O_3 exposure can still occur because catalytic filters are not necessarily in continuous use during flight. Other factors to consider in aircraft cabins, however, are erratic temperature changes, lower barometric pressure and oxygen pressure, and lower humidity, often reaching levels between 4 and 17% (Rayman, 2002).

Ozone contamination aboard high-altitude aircraft also has been an interest to the U.S. Air Force because of complaints by crew members of frequent symptoms of dryness and irritation of the eyes, nose, and throat and an occasional cough (Hetrick et al., 2000). Despite the lack of ventilation system modifications as used in commercial aircraft, the O_3 concentrations never exceeded the FAA ceiling limit of 0.25 ppm and exceeded the 3-h TWA of 0.10 ppm only 7% of the total monitored flight time (43 h). The authors concluded that extremely low average relative humidity (12%) during flight operations was most likely responsible for the reported symptoms.

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CHAPTER 7 ANNEX

EPIDEMIOLOGIC STUDIES OF HUMAN HEALTH EFFECTS ASSOCIATED WITH AMBIENT OZONE EXPOSURE

AX7-1. Tables of Epidemiologic Studies of Human Health Effects Associated with Ambient Ozone Exposure

Table AX7-1. Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States					
Mortimer et al. (2002) Eight urban areas in the U.S.: St. Louis, MO; Chicago, IL; Detroit, MI; Cleveland, OH; Washington, DC; Baltimore, MD; East Harlem, NY; Bronx, NY Jun-Aug 1993	National Cooperative Inner City Asthma Study (NCICAS) cohort. This panel study examined 846 asthmatic children aged 4-9 years for O_3 exposure effects on PEF and morning symptoms using linear mixed effects models and GEE.	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): 48 ppb SD not provided. Range of medians across cities shown in a figure: Approximately 34 to 58 ppb. <5% of days exceeded 80 ppb.	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2	No associations were seen between single or multiday O_3 measures and any evening outcome measure. The effects of O_3 on morning outcomes increased over several days with the strongest associations seen for multiday lags. Joint modeling of O_3 with NO_2 or SO_2 resulted in slightly reduced estimates for each pollutant. Closed cohort. Approximately 60% of NCICAS cohort returned diary, characterizations similar to entire cohort.	8-h avg O_3 (per 15 ppb): Percent change in morning PEF: Lag 1-5: All areas: –0.59% (–1.05, –0.13) St. Louis: –0.86% (–2.10, 0.38) Chicago: –0.62% (–2.41, 1.16) Detroit: –0.75% (–2.36, 0.86) Cleveland: –0.62% (–2.23, 0.99) Washington, DC: –0.54% (–2.02, 0.93) Baltimore: 0.24% (–0.95, 1.43) East Harlem: –0.73% (–1.63, 0.17) Bronx: –0.69% (–1.54, 0.15) Odds ratios: Morning symptoms: Lag 1-4: All areas: 1.16 (1.02, 1.30) St. Louis: 0.82 (0.59, 1.14) Chicago: 1.09 (0.69, 1.72) Detroit: 1.72 (1.12, 2.64) Cleveland: 1.20 (0.81, 1.79) Washington, DC: 1.11 (0.72, 1.72) Baltimore: 1.19 (0.89, 1.60) East Harlem: 1.22 (0.97, 1.53) Bronx: 1.23 (0.98, 1.54)

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Mortimer et al. (2000) Eight urban areas in the U.S.: St. Louis, MO; Chicago, IL; Detroit, MI; Cleveland, OH; Washington, DC; Baltimore, MD; East Harlem, NY; Bronx, NY Jun-Aug 1993	A cohort of 846 asthmatic children aged 4-9 years examined for effects of summer O_3 exposure on PEF and morning symptoms. Two subgroups were compared: (1) low birth weight or premature and (2) normal birth weight or full-term. Analysis using GEE and linear mixed effects models. Panel study.	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): 48 ppb SD not provided. See Mortimer et al. (2002).	None	Low birth weight and premature asthmatic children had greater declines in PEF and higher incidence of morning symptoms than normal birth weight and full-term asthmatic children.	8-h avg O_3 (per 15 ppb): Percent change in morning PEF: Low birth weight: Lag 1-5: −1.83% (−2.65, −1.01) Normal birth weight: Lag 1-5: −0.30% (−0.79, 0.19) Interaction term for birth weight, $p < 0.05$ Odds ratios: Morning symptoms: Low birth weight: Lag 1-4: 1.42 (1.10, 1.82) Normal birth weight: Lag 1-4: 1.09 (0.95, 1.24) Interaction term for birth weight, $p < 0.05$
Avol et al. (1998) Southern California communities Spring-summer 1994	Three panels of children (age 10-12 years): (1) asthmatic (n = 53); (2) wheezy (n = 54); and (3) healthy (n = 103). Examined for symptoms, medication use, outdoor time, physical activity, and pulmonary function measures in relation to O_3 exposure, via logistic regression and GLM.	Stratified analysis of low and high 24-h avg O_3: Fixed site O_3: Low: <100 ppb High: >100 ppb Personal O_3: Low: ≤15.6 ppb High: ≥32.4 ppb	None	The three groups responded similarly. Few pulmonary function or symptom associations. Asthmatic children had the most trouble breathing, the most wheezing, and the most inhaler use on high O_3 days in the spring. Ozone levels were considered too low during the period of the study. Noncompliance by subjects may have been a problem. Other analysis methods may have been more appropriate.	Multiple endpoints analyzed. Few consistent or statistically significant responses to O_3 exposure reported.

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Gilliland et al. (2001) 12 Southern California communities Jan-Jun 1996	Time-series study of 1,933 4th grade children (age 9-10 years) followed for school absences. Each absence classified as illness-related or not. Among former, classified into respiratory or gastrointestinal. Respiratory absences further classified into upper or lower. Pollution measured in central site in each town. Analysis of distributed lag effects controlling for time, day of week, and temperature in a Poisson model.	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): Levels not reported. Figure depicts mean range of approximately 35 to 55 ppb across the 12 communities.	PM_{10}, NO_2	Ozone strongly associated with illness-related and respiratory absences. PM_{10} only associated with upper respiratory absences. Long distributed lag effects for O_3 raise questions about adequacy of control for seasonal changes.	8-h avg O_3 (per 20 ppb): Percent change in school absences: All illness: 62.9% (18.4, 124.1) Nonrespiratory illnesses: 37.3% (5.7, 78.3) Respiratory illnesses: 82.9% (3.9, 222.0) Upper respiratory: 45.1% (21.3, 73.7) Lower respiratory with wet cough: 173.9% (91.3, 292.3)
Linn et al. (1996) Three towns in California: Rubidoux, Upland, Torrance Fall-spring 1992-1993 and 1993-1994	Panel study of 269 school children (age unspecified), each followed for morning/afternoon lung function and symptoms for one week in fall, winter, and spring over 2 school years. Personal exposure monitoring in a subset. Analyzed afternoon symptoms versus same day pollution and morning symptoms versus 1-day lag pollution.	24-h avg O_3: Personal: 5 ppb SD 3 Central site: 23 ppb SD 12	$PM_{2.5}$, NO_2	Central site O_3 correlated with personal exposures, r = 0.61. Ozone effects observed on lung function but only significant for FEV_1 in one analysis. No effects on symptoms. Ozone effects were not robust to NO_2 or $PM_{2.5}$. Power may have been limited by short followup within seasons (limiting both person-days and variability in exposures).	Change in lung function (per ppb): FEV_1 next morning: −0.26 mL (SE 0.25), p = 0.30 FEV_1 afternoon: −0.18 mL (SE 0.26), p = 0.49 FEV_1 crossday difference: −0.58 mL (SE 0.23), p = 0.01 FVC next morning: −0.21 mL (SE 0.22), p = 0.34 FVC afternoon: −0.20 mL (SE 0.29), p = 0.48 FVC crossday difference: −0.25 mL (SE 0.25), p = 0.32

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Ostro et al. (2001) Central Los Angeles and Pasadena, CA Aug-Oct 1993	Panel study of 138 African-American children aged 8-13 years with doctor diagnosed asthma requiring medication in past year followed for daily respiratory symptoms and medication use. Lags of 0 to 3 days examined.	1-h max O_3: Los Angeles: 59.5 ppb SD 31.4 Pasadena: 95.8 ppb SD 49.0	PM_{10}, NO_2, pollen, mold	Correlation between PM_{10} and O_3 was r = 0.35. Significant O_3 effect seen for extra medication use (above normal use). No O_3 effect on symptoms in expected direction observed. Inverse association seen for cough. PM_{10} effects seen at a lag of 3 days. Time factors not explicitly controlled in analysis; may have led to confounding of O_3 effects.	1-h max O_3 (per 40 ppb): Odds ratios: Extra medication use: Lag 1: 1.15 (1.12, 1.19) Respiratory symptoms: Shortness of breath: Lag 3: 1.01 (0.92, 1.10) Wheeze: Lag 3: 0.94 (0.88, 1.00) Cough: Lag 3: 0.93 (0.87, 0.99)
Delfino et al. (2003) Los Angeles, CA Nov 1999-Jan 2000	A panel study of 22 Hispanic children with asthma aged 10-16 years. Filled out symptom diaries in relation to pollutant levels. Analysis using GEE model.	1-h max O_3: 25.4 ppb SD 9.6	NO_2, SO_2, CO, volatile organic compounds, PM_{10}	Support the view that air toxics in the pollutant mix from traffic may have adverse effects on asthma in children.	1-h max O_3 (per 14.0 ppb): Odds ratio: Symptoms interfering with daily activities: Lag 0: 1.99 (1.06, 3.72)
Delfino et al. (1997a) Alpine, CA May-Aug1994	Panel study of 22 asthmatics aged 9-46 years followed for respiratory symptoms, morning-afternoon PEF, and β_2 agonist inhaler use. Personal O_3 measured for 12 hours/day using passive monitors. GLM mixed model.	Ambient: 12-h avg O_3 (8 a.m.-8 p.m.): 64 ppb SD 17 Personal: 12-h avg O_3: (8 a.m.-8 p.m.) 18 ppb SD 14	PM_{10}, pollen, fungi	No O_3 effects observed.	No quantitative results for O_3.

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United States (cont'd)					
Delfino et al. (1998a) Alpine, CA Aug-Oct 1995	A panel of 24 asthmatics aged 9-17 years followed for daily symptoms. Analysis using GEE model.	1-h max O_3: 90 ppb SD 18	PM_{10}	Asthma symptoms were significantly associated with both ambient O_3 and PM_{10} in single-pollutant models. Ozone effects generally robust to PM_{10}. Current day O_3 effects strongest in asthmatics not on anti-inflammatory medication. Effects of O_3 and PM_{10} were largely independent. The largest effects for PM_{10} were seen for a 5-day distributed lag. For O_3 effects, there were no lag day effects; current day results showed the greatest effect.	1-h max O_3 (per 58 ppb): Odds ratios: O_3 only model: Lag 0: 1.54 (1.02, 2.33) O_3 with PM_{10} model: Lag 0: 1.46 (0.93, 2.29)
Delfino et al. (2004) Alpine, CA Aug-Oct 1999, Apr-Jun 2000	Panel study of 19 asthmatic children (age 9-17 years) followed daily for 2 weeks to determine relationship between air pollutants, namely PM, and FEV_1. Linear mixed model used for analysis.	8-h max O_3: 62.8 ppb SD 15.1 IQR 22.0	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, NO_2	Significant declines in FEV_1 associated with various PM indices (personal, indoor home, etc.), but not ambient O_3 levels.	No quantitative results for O_3.
Delfino et al. (1996) San Diego, CA Sep-Oct 1993	Panel study of 12 well-characterized moderate asthmatics aged 9-16 years (7 males, 5 females) followed over 6 weeks for medication use and respiratory symptoms. Allergy measured at baseline with skin prick tests. Personal O_3 measured with passive badge. Analysis with GLM mixed model.	Ambient: 1-h max O_3: 68 ppb SD 30 Ambient: 12-h avg O_3: 43 ppb SD 17 Personal: 12-h avg O_3: 11.6 ppb SD 11.2	$PM_{2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, H^+, HNO_3, pollen, fungal spores	No effect of ambient O_3 on symptom score. Personal O_3 significant for symptoms, but effect disappeared when confounding day of week effect was controlled with weekend dummy variable. β_2 inhaler used among 7 subjects was significantly related to personal O_3. Results of this small study suggest the value of personal exposure data in providing more accurate estimates of exposures. However, nearly 50% of personal O_3 measurements were below limits of detection, diminishing value of these data. Pollen and fine particulate (low levels) were not associated with any of the outcomes.	Change in β_2-agonist inhaler use (per ppb personal O_3): 0.0152 puffs/day (SE 0.0075), p = 0.04

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Chen et al. (2000) Washoe County, NV 1996-1998	Time-series study of school absenteeism examined among 27,793 students (kindergarten to 6th grade) from 57 elementary schools. First-order autoregression models used to assess relationship between O_3 and school absenteeism after adjusting for weather, day of week, month, holidays, and time trends. Ozone levels from the current day, and cumulative lags of 1-14 days, 1-21 days, and 1-28 days examined.	1-h max O_3: 37.45 ppb SD 13.37	PM_{10}, CO	Multipollutant models were examined. Ozone concentrations in the preceding 14 days were significantly associated with school absenteeism for students in grades 1 through 6, but not those in kindergarten. Both PM_{10} and CO concentrations on the concurrent day were associated with school absenteeism, but the estimate for PM_{10} was a negative value.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): Total absence rate: O_3 with PM_{10} and CO model: Lag 1-14: 3.79% (1.04, 6.55)
Newhouse et al. (2004) Tulsa, OK Sep-Oct 2000	Panel study of 24 subjects aged 9-64 years with physician diagnosis of asthma. Performed PEF twice daily (morning and afternoon), and reported daily respiratory symptoms and medication use. Forward stepwise multiple regression models and Pearson correlation analyses.	24-h avg O_3: 30 ppb Range 10-70	$PM_{2.5}$, CO, SO_2, pollen, fungal spores	Among ambient air pollutants, O_3 seemed to be most significant factor. Morning PEF values significantly associated with average and maximum O_3 levels on the previous day. Individual symptoms, including wheezing, headache, and fatigue, also significantly related to average and maximum daily O_3. Multiple regression analyses produced complex models with different predictor variables for each symptom.	Pearson correlation coefficient: Morning PEF: Mean O_3 levels: Lag 1: -0.274, $p < 0.05$ Maximum O_3 levels: Lag 1: -0.289, $p < 0.05$

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Ross et al. (2002) East Moline, IL and nearby communities May-Oct 1994	Panel study of 59 asthmatics aged 5-49 years recruited. 19 lost to follow-up, yielding study population of 40. Assessment of PEF and respiratory symptoms. Analytical methods unclear in terms of control for time factors.	8-h max O_3: 41.5 ppb SD 14.2 IQR 20	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2, pollen, fungi	Saw significant associations between O_3 and both PEF declines and symptom increases. Most but not all effects remained after controlling for temperature, pollen and fungi. Ozone effect on morning PEF disappeared after adjusting for temperature. No PM_{10} effects observed.	8-h max O_3 (per 20 ppb): Change in PEF (L/min): Morning: Lag 0-1: −2.29 (−4.26, −0.33) Afternoon: Lag 0: −2.58 (−4.26, −0.89) Symptom score (on scale of 0-3): Morning: Lag 1-3: 0.08 (0.03, 0.13) Afternoon: Lag 1-3: 0.08 (0.04, 0.12)
Neas et al. (1995) Uniontown, PA Summer 1990	Panel study of 83 4th and 5th grade children reported twice daily PEF and the presence of cold, cough, or wheeze. Relationship to pollutants was analyzed by an autoregressive linear regression model/GEE. The number of hours each child spent outdoors during the preceding 12-h period was evaluated.	12-h avg O_3: Daytime (8 a.m.-8 p.m.): 50.0 ppb Overnight (8 p.m.-8 a.m.): 24.5 ppb	SO_2, PM_{10}, H^+	Evening cough was associated with O_3 levels weighted by hours spent outdoors during the prior 12 hours. A decrease in PEF was associated with O_3 levels weighted by hours spent outdoors. When particle-strong acidity was added to the model, the decrement was decreased and no longer significant.	12-h avg O_3 (per 30 ppb increment weighted by proportion of time spent outdoors during prior 12 hours): Evening PEF: −2.79 L/min (−6.7, −1.1) Odds ratio: Evening cough: 2.20 (1.02, 4.75)
Neas et al. (1999) Philadelphia, PA Jul-Sep 1993	Panel study of 156 children aged 6-11 years at two summer camps followed for twice-daily PEF. Analysis using mixed effects models adjusting for autocorrelated errors.	Daytime 12-h avg O_3 (9 a.m-9 p.m.): SW camp: 57.5 ppb IQR 19.8 NE camp: 55.9 ppb IQR 21.9	H^+, SO_4^{2-}, $PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, $PM_{10-2.5}$	Some O_3 effects detected as well as PM effects. Similar O_3-related decrements observed in both morning and afternoon PEF. Ozone effects not robust to SO_4^{2-} in two-pollutant models, whereas SO_4^{2-} effects relatively robust to O_3.	12-h avg O_3 (per 20 ppb): Morning and evening PEF: O_3 only models: Lag 0: −1.38 L/min (−2.81, 0.04) Lag 1-5: −2.58 L/min (−4.81, −0.35) O_3 with SO_4^{2-} model: Lag not specified: −0.04 L/min

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Gent et al. (2003) Southern New England Apr-Sep 2001	Panel study of 271 children (age <12 years) with active, doctor-diagnosed asthma followed over 183 days for respiratory symptoms. For analysis, cohort split into two groups: 130 who used maintenance medication during follow-up and 141 who did not, on assumption that medication users had more severe asthma. Logistic regression analyses performed.	1-h max O_3: 58.6 ppb SD 19.0 8-h max O_3: 51.3 ppb SD 15.5	$PM_{2.5}$	Correlation between 1-h max O_3 and daily $PM_{2.5}$ was 0.77 during this warm-season study. Large numbers of statistical tests performed. Significant associations between symptoms and O_3 seen only in medication users, a subgroup considered to be more sensitive. $PM_{2.5}$ significant for some symptoms, but not in two-pollutant models. Ozone effects generally robust to $PM_{2.5}$. Study limitations include limited control for meteorological factors and the post-hoc nature of the population stratification by medication use.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): Odds ratios: Regular medication users (n = 130): Chest tightness: O_3 only model: Lag 1: 1.26 (1.00, 1.48) O_3 with $PM_{2.5}$ model: Lag 1: 1.42 (1.14, 1.78) Shortness of breath: O_3 only model: Lag 1: 1.22 (1.02, 1.45)
Korrick et al. (1998) Mount Washington, NH Summers 1991, 1992	Cross-sectional study evaluating the acute effects of ambient O_3 on pulmonary function of exercising adults. 530 hikers (age 15-64 years) monitored before and after their hike. Analysis using a general linear regression model.	O_3 level per hour of hiking: 40 ppb SD 12 Range 21-74	$PM_{2.5}$, smoke, acidity	With prolonged outdoor exercise low-level exposures to O_3 were associated with significant effects on pulmonary function. Hikers with asthma had a four-fold greater responsiveness to exposure to O_3.	Percent change in lung function (per 50 ppb O_3): FEV_1: −2.6% (−4.7, −0.4) FVC: −2.2% (−3.5, −0.8)

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United States (cont'd)					
Thurston et al. (1997) Connecticut River Valley, CT June 1991, 1992, 1993	Panel study of children (age 7-13 years) with moderate-to-severe asthma followed for medication use, lung function, and medical symptoms at a summer asthma camp for one week in 1991 (n = 52), 1992 (n = 58), and 1993 (n = 56). Analysis was conducted using both Poisson modeling and GLM.	1-h max O_3: 1991: 114.0 ppb 1992: 52.2 ppb 1993: 84.6 ppb 1991-1993: 83.6 ppb	H^+, SO_4^{2-}	Ozone was most consistently associated with acute asthma exacerbation, chest symptoms, and lung function decrements. Pollen was poorly associated with any adverse effect. Consistent results were obtained between the aggregate and individual analyses.	1-h max O_3 (per 83.6 ppb): Relative risks: β_2-agonist use: 1.46, $p < 0.05$ Chest symptoms: 1.50, $p < 0.05$ Change in PEF (per ppb): −0.096 L/min, $p < 0.05$
Naeher et al. (1999) Vinton, VA Summers 1995, 1996	Panel study evaluated the relationship between O_3 and daily change in PEF studied in a sample of 473 nonsmoking women aged 19-43 years who recently delivered babies. PEF performed twice daily for a two-week period. Mixed linear random coefficient model.	8-h max O_3: 53.69 ppb Range 17.00-87.63 24-h avg O_3: 34.87 ppb Range 8.74-56.63	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, SO_4^{2-}, H^+	Ozone was the only exposure related to evening PEF with 5-day cumulative lag exposure showing the greatest effect.	24-h avg O_3 (per 30 ppb): Evening PEF: Lag 1-5: −7.65 L/min (−13.0, −2.25)

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Canada					
Brauer et al. (1996) Fraser Valley, British Columbia, Canada Jun-Aug 1993	Panel study of 58 berry pickers aged 10-69 years had lung function measured before and after a series of outdoor work shifts (average duration = 11 hours) over 59 days. Analysis using pooled regression with subject-specific intercepts, with and without temperature control.	1-h max O_3: 40.3 ppb SD 15.2 Work shift O_3: 26.0 ppb SD 11.8	$PM_{2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, NO_3^-, NH_4^+, H^+	End shift FEV_1 and FVC significantly diminished in relation to O_3 levels. $PM_{2.5}$ also related to lung function declines, but O_3 remained significant in two-pollutant models. Next morning lung function remained diminished following high O_3 days. Ozone effects still evident at or below 40 ppb. There was an overall decline of lung function of roughly 10% over course of study, suggesting subchronic effect. Levels of other pollutants low during study.	Change in lung function (per ppb 1-h max O_3): Endshift lung function: FEV_1: −3.8 mL (SE 0.4) FVC: −5.4 mL (SE 0.6) Next morning function: FEV_1: −4.5 mL (SE 0.6) FVC: −5.2 mL (SE 0.7)
Brauer and Brook (1997) Fraser Valley, British Columbia, Canada Jun-Aug 1993	Additional analysis of Brauer et al., 1996 with personal exposure presented for three groups, stratified by time spent outdoors. Group 1: 25 individuals who spent most of the day indoors. Group 2: 25 individuals who spent much of the day indoors, but still spent several daylight hours outdoors. Group 3: 15 individuals who spent the entire work day outdoors.	1-h max O_3: Ambient: 40 ppb SD 15 Range 13-84	$PM_{2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, NO_3^-, NH_4^+, H^+	Group 1: 9.0% sampling time (24-h) outdoors. Personal to ambient O_3 ratio was 0.28. Group 2: 25.8% sampling time (24-h) outdoors. Personal to ambient O_3 ratio was 0.48. Group 3: 100% sampling time (11-h work shift) outdoors. Personal to ambient O_3 ratio was 0.96. One of the first direct demonstrations that magnitude of personal exposure to O_3 is related to amount of time spent outdoors. Further showed that, on average, outdoor fixed O_3 monitors were representative of day-to-day changes in O_3 exposure experienced by the study population.	Same outcomes as reported in Brauer et al., 1996.

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Europe					
Scarlett et al. (1996) Surrey, England Jun-Jul 1994	Panel study examined 154 children aged 7 years in a primary school next to a major motorway for O_3 exposure effects on $PEF_{0.75}$, FVC, and FEV_1 using autoregression for percent change in function.	8-h max O_3: 50.7 ppb SD 24.48	PM_{10}, NO_2, pollen	No significant association was seen between pulmonary function measures and O_3 levels. No pollen effects.	Change in lung function (per ppb O_3 weighted by inverse of variance): $FEV_{0.75}$: Lag 1: 0.01 mL (−0.12, 0.13) FVC: Lag 1: 0.07 mL (−0.09, 0.23) $FEV_{0.75}$/FVC: Lag 1: −0.1% (−5.1, 4.8)
Ward et al. (2002) Birmingham and Sandwell, England Jan-Mar 1997 May-Jul 1997	A panel study of 162 children (age 9 years at time of enrollment in Sept 1996). 39 of 162 children (24%) reported wheezing in the past 12 months. Examined association of ambient acid species with PEF and symptoms. Single-day lags of 0 to 3 days and a 7-day cumulative lag were investigated. Linear regression used for PEF and logistic regression used for symptoms.	24 h-avg O_3: Winter: Median 13.0 ppb Range 2-33 Summer: Median 22.0 ppb Range 10-41	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, SO_2, H^+, Cl^-, HCl, HNO_3, NH_3, NH_4^+, NO_3^- SO_4^{2-}	Pollutants levels were generally low, even in the summer. Significant associations were noted between respiratory health outcomes and air pollutants, but no consistent patterns were identified. The association between O_3 and PEF was generally negative in the summer and positive in the winter. More associations between O_3 and symptoms were observed in the winter. Ozone was associated with a significant increase in cough, shortness of breath, and wheeze during the winter. Results did not indicate that children with atopy or a history of recent wheezing were more susceptible to short-term effects of air pollutants.	24-h avg O_3 (per 21.5 ppb for winter; per 10.2 ppb for summer): Change in PEF (L/min): Morning (lag 0-6): Winter: 17.53 (6.56, 28.52) Summer: −5.66 (−11.21, −0.09) Afternoon (lag 0-6): Winter: 0.28 (−9.03, 9.79) Summer: −0.14 (−5.34, 5.04) Odds ratios: Symptoms: Cough (lag 0-6): Winter: 0.88 (0.42, 1.81) Summer: 0.95 (0.76, 1.19) Shortness of breath (lag 0-6): Winter: 2.79 (1.56, 4.95) Summer: 1.35 (0.95, 1.94) Wheeze (lag 0-6): Winter: 1.59 (0.77, 3.31) Summer: 0.88 (1.38, 0.57)

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Europe (cont'd)					
Taggart et al. (1996) Runcorn and Widnes in NW England Jul-Sep 1993	Panel study investigated the relationship of asthmatic bronchial hyperresponsiveness and pulmonary function with summertime ambient air pollution among 38 adult nonsmoking asthmatics (age 18-70 years) using log-linear models. Analysis limited to investigation of within subject variance of the dependent variables.	1-h avg O_3: Maximum 61 µg/m^3 24-h avg O_3: Maximum 24.5 µg/m^3	SO_2, NO_2, smoke	No association found for O_3. Changes in bronchial hyperresponsiveness were found to correlate significantly with change in the levels of 24-h mean SO_2, NO_2, and smoke.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 µg/m^3): Percent change in bronchial hyperresponsiveness: Lag 1: 0.3% (−16.6, 20.6) Lag 2: 2.6% (−22.1, 34.9)
Desqueyroux et al. (2002a) Paris, France Nov 1995-Nov 1996	Panel study of 60 severe asthmatics (mean age 55 years) were monitored by their physicians for asthma attacks. Asthma attacks were based on medical data collected by a pulmonary physician at time of clinical examination. Analysis using GEE.	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): Summer: 41 µg/m^3 SD 18 Winter: 11 µg/m^3 SD 10	PM_{10}	Significant associations between PM_{10}, O_3, and incident asthma attacks were found. Low O_3 levels raise plausibility concerns.	8-h avg O_3 (per 10 µg/m^3): Odds ratio: Lag 2: 1.20 (1.03, 1.41)
Desqueyroux et al. (2002b) Paris, France Oct 1995-Nov 1996	Panel study of 39 adult patients with severe COPD (mean age 67 years) followed over 14 months by physicians for exacerbations. Logistic regression with GEE, examining exposure lags of 0 to 5 days.	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): Summer: 41 µg/m^3 SD 18 Winter: 11 µg/m^3 SD 10	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2	50 COPD exacerbations observed over follow-up period. 1-, 2-, and 3-day lag O_3 significantly related to exacerbations. No other pollutants significant. Low O_3 levels raise plausibility and confounding concerns.	8-h avg O_3 (per 10 µg/m^3): Odds ratio: Lag 1: 1.56 (1.05, 2.32) Effects appeared larger among smokers and those with worse gas exchange lung function.

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Europe (cont'd)					
Just et al. (2002) Paris, France Apr-Jun 1996	Panel study of 82 medically diagnosed asthmatic children (mean age 10.9 years) followed for O_3 exposure and PEF, asthmatic attacks, cough, supplementary use of β_2-agonists, and symptoms of airway irritation. Analysis by GEE.	24-h avg O_3: 58.9 μg/m^3 SD 24.5 Range 10.0-121.0	PM_{10}, NO_2	In asthmatic children, O_3 exposure was related to the occurrence of asthma attacks and additional bronchodilator use. O_3 was the only pollutant associated with changes in lung function, as shown by an increase in PEF variability and decrease in PEF.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 μg/m^3): Percent change in daily PEF variability: Lag 0-2: 2.6%, p = 0.05 Odds ratio: Supplementary use of β_2-agonist on days on which no steroids were used: Lag 0: 1.41 (1.05, 1.89)
Lagerkvist et al. (2004) Brussels, Belgium May 2002	Panel study of 57 children (mean age 10.8 years) stratified by swimming pool attendance. Pulmonary function test performed and Clara cell protein levels measured in blood before and after light exercise outdoors for two hours. Analysis using student's t-test and Pearson correlation test. For dose calculations, O_3 levels indoors assumed to be 50% of the mean outdoor O_3 concentration.	Daytime outdoor O_3: Range 77-116 μg/m^3 Exposure dose: Range 352-914 μg/m^3·hour	None	Ozone levels did not have any adverse effect on FEV_1 after 2 hours of outdoor exercise. In addition, no significant differences were observed between Clara cell protein levels before and after exercise. A marginally significant positive correlation between ambient O_3 dose and Clara cell protein levels observed among the nonswimmers, indicating increased antioxidant activity following O_3 exposure in this group. The lack of a clear relationship between Clara cell protein levels and O_3 dose may be attributable to the short period of time between measurements and diurnal variability of the protein levels.	Pearson correlation: O_3 exposure dose and Clara cell protein levels in serum: All subjects (n = 54): r = 0.17, p = 0.21 Nonswimmers (n = 33): r = 0.34, p = 0.06 Swimmers (n = 21): r = −0.08, p = 0.74

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Europe (cont'd)					
Schindler et al. (2001) Eight communities of Switzerland May-Sep 1991	A random sample of 3,912 adult never-smokers, aged 18 to 60 years, examined for short-term O_3-related changes in lung function. Natural logarithms of FVC, FEV_1, and FEF_{25-75} were regressed against the individual predictor variables and O_3. Spline functions were used to control potential trends. Sensitivity analyses for grass and pollens, and NO_2 and TSP involved linear time-trend variables.	8 h-avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): 90.3 µg/m^3 Range 2.9-247.1	NO_2, TSP	Daily average concentrations of O_3 were associated with daily sample means of FEV_1 and FEF_{25-75} in this random adult cross-sectional sample. The associations between daily O_3 levels and daily means of lung function were smaller in magnitude than the association between annual O_3 levels in the previous analyses (Ackermann and Liebrich et al., 1997). This analytic approach was designed to filter out long-term components. Sensitive analyses indicated that major confounding by uncontrolled effects of pollen, NO_2, and TSP was unlikely.	8-h avg O_3 (per 10 µg/m^3): % change in lung function: FEV_1: −0.51% (−0.88, −0.13) FVC: −0.24% (−0.59, 0.11) FEF_{25-75}: −1.04% (−1.85, −0.22)
Frischer et al. (1993) Umkirch, Germany May-Oct 1991	Panel study of nasal lavage repeatedly performed on 44 school children (age 9-11 years) according to protocol published by Koren et al. (1990). Samples collected morning after "low" and "high" O_3 days. Nasal lavage samples analyzed for polymorphonuclear leukocyte counts, albumin, tryptase, eosinophil cationic protein, and myeloperoxidase. Analysis using individual regression methods.	Stratified analysis of half hour avg O_3 at 3 p.m.: Low: <140 µg/m^3 High: >180 µg/m^3	None	Significant higher polymorphonuclear leukocyte counts after high O_3 days. In children without symptoms of rhinitis, significantly elevated myeloperoxydase and eosinophil cationic protein concentrations detected. Results suggest that ambient O_3 produces an inflammatory response in the upper airways of healthy children.	Children without symptoms of rhinitis (n = 30): Myeloperoxydase: Low O_3: median 77.39 µg/L High O_3: median 138.60 µg/L $p < 0.05$; Wilcoxon sign rank test Eosinophilic cationic protein: Low O_3: median 3.49 µg/L High O_3: median 5.39 µg/L $p < 0.05$; Wilcoxon sign rank test

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Europe (cont'd)					
Frischer et al. (1997) Umkirch, Germany May-Oct 1991	Panel study examined 44 school children aged 9-11 years for ratio of *ortho*-tyrosine to *para*-tyrosine in nasal lavage as a marker of hydroxyl radical attack. Nasal lavage performed according to protocol published by Koren et al. (1990). Concomitant lung function tests performed. Analysis using individual regression methods.	Stratified analysis of ½-h avg O_3 at 3 p.m.: Low: <140 µg/m^3 High: >180 µg/m^3	None	Ambient O_3 was associated with the generation of hydroxyl radicals in the upper airways of healthy children and significant lung function decrements. However, the *ortho/para* ratio was not related to polymorphonuclear leukocyte counts. Passive smoking was not related to outcomes.	FEV_1 (% predicted): Low: 105.4 (SD 15.6) High: 103.9 (SD 15.0) Δ: 1.5, p = 0.031 *Ortho*/*para* ratio: Low: 0.02 (SD 0.07) High: 0.18 (SD 0.16) Δ: 0.17, p = 0.0001
Höppe et al. (1995a,b) Munich, Germany Apr-Sep 1992-1994	Panel study of five study groups (age 12-95 years): (1) senior citizens (n = 41); (2) juvenile asthmatics (n = 43); (3) forestry workers (n = 41); (4) athletes (n = 43); and (5) clerks (n = 40) as a control group. Examined for lung function (FVC, FEV_1, PEF) and questions on irritated airways. Each subject tested 8 days, 4 days with elevated or high O_3 and 4 days with low O_3. Analysis using Wilcoxon matched pairs signed rank test and linear regression.	½-h max O_3 (1 p.m.-4 p.m.): Seniors: High: 70 ppb Low: 31 ppb Asthmatics: High: 74 ppb Low: 34 ppb Forestry workers: High: 64 ppb Low: 32 ppb Athletes: High: 71 ppb Low: 28 ppb Clerks: High: 68 ppb Low: 15 ppb	None	No indication that senior citizens represent a risk group in this study. Senior citizens had the lowest ventilation rate (mean 10 L/min). Athletes and clerks experienced significant decrements in lung function parameters. Well-medicated juvenile asthmatics have a trend towards large pulmonary decrements. Forestry workers were exposed to motor tool exhaust, which might be a potential promoting factor.	½-h max O_3 (per 100 ppb): Change in lung function: Seniors: FEV_1: 0.034 L (SD 0.101) PEF: 0.006 L/s (SD 0.578) Asthmatics: FEV_1: −0.210 L (SD 0.281) PEF: −0.712 L/s (SD 0.134)* Forestry workers: FEV_1: −0.140 L (SD 0.156) PEF: −1.154 L/s (SD 0.885)* Athletes: FEV_1: −0.152 L (SD 0.136)* PEF: −0.622 L/s (SD 0.589)* Clerks: FEV_1: −0.158 L (SD 0.114)* PEF: −0.520 L/s (SD 0.486)* *p < 0.05

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Europe (cont'd)					
Höppe et al. (2003) Munich, Germany Apr–Sep 1992-1995	Three of the same study groups examined in Höppe et al. (1995a,b) — asthmatics (n = 43), athletes (n = 43), and elderly = 41). One additional risk group, children (n = 44), was examined. Over 80% of the elderly and asthmatic groups took medications on a daily basis. Eye and airway symptoms were assessed, as were pulmonary function test. GLM analyses was conducted.	½-h max O_3 (1 p.m.-4 p.m.): Asthmatics: High: 66.9 ppb Low: 32.5 ppb Athletes: High: 65.9 ppb Low: 27.2 ppb Children: High: 70.4 ppb Low: 29.8 ppb Elderly: High: 66.1 ppb Low: 30.6 ppb	NO_2	For the group mean values there are hardly any O_3 effects detectable at the concentration level of this study; lack of power may have made it difficult to detect small O_3 effects. Analysis on an individual basis shows clearly different patterns of O_3 sensitivity. Ozone responders are defined as individuals with relevant lung function changes of at least 10% for FEV_1, FVC, and PEF, and 20% for sRaw. Most of the responders were found in the asthmatic and children groups. The sample size may limit quantitative extrapolation to larger populations, but may allow cautious first estimates.	½-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): % change in lung function, lag 0: Asthmatics: FEV_1: 4.26% (−3.13, 11.66) PEF: 6.67% (−1.55, 14.89) Athletes: FEV_1: 0.01% (−0.13, 0.11) PEF: −0.13% (−0.29, 0.03) Children: FEV_1: −1.81% (−5.34, 1.73) PEF: −11.88% (−18.98, −4.78) Elderly: FEV_1: 2.10% (−4.65, 8.84) PEF: 7.29% (−2.84, 17.43) Ozone responders: Asthmatics: 21% Athletes: 5% Children: 18% Elderly: 5%
Kopp et al. (1999) Two towns in Black Forest, Germany Mar-Oct 1994	Panel study of 170 school children (median age 9.1 years) followed over 11 time points with nasal lavage sampling. Subjects were not sensitive to inhaled allergens. Nasal lavage samples analyzed for eosinophil cationic protein, albumen, and leukocytes. Analysis using GEE.	½-h max O_3: Villingen: 64 µg/m^3 5th %-95th % 1-140 Freudenstadt: 105 µg/m^3 5th %-95th % 45-179	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, TSP	Eosinophil cationic protein and leukocyte levels peaked soon after first major O_3 episode of summer, but did not show response to later, even higher, O_3 episodes. These observations are consistent with an adaptive response in terms of nasal inflammation.	Change in log eosinophil cationic protein concentration (per µg/m^3 O_3): Early summer: 0.97 (0.03, 1.92) Late summer: −0.43 (−1.34, 0.47)

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Europe (cont'd)					
Ulmer et al. (1997) Freudenstadt and Villingen, Germany Mar-Oct 1994	Panel study of 135 children aged 8-11 years in two towns were evaluated. Pulmonary function was associated with the highest O_3 concentration in the previous 24 hours. An initial cross-sectional analysis was followed by a longitudinal analysis using GEE with the data at four time periods (Apr, Jun, Aug, Sep).	½-h max O_3: Freudenstadt: Median 50.6 ppb 10th %-90th % 22.5-89.7 Villingen: Median 32.1 ppb 10th %-90th % 0.5-70.1	None	In the cross-sectional analysis, a significant negative association between O_3 exposure and FVC was only shown at the June testing. For FEV_1, no significant associations were detected. In contrast, the longitudinal analysis obtained a statistically significant negative correlation between O_3 exposure, and FVC and FEV_1 for the subpopulation living in the town with higher O_3 levels, Freudenstadt. The associations were more pronounced in males than females.	Change in lung function (per $\mu g/m^3$ ½-h max O_3): FEV_1: Freudenstadt: −1.13 mL, p = 0.002 Villingen: −0.19 mL, p = 0.62 FVC: Freudenstadt: −1.23 mL, p = 0.002 Villingen: 0.02 mL, p = 0.96
Cuijpers et al. (1994) Maastricht, the Netherlands Nov-Dec 1990 (baseline), Aug 8-16 1991 (smog episode)	During episode, 212 children (age unspecified) randomly chosen from 535 reexamined for lung function and symptoms. Corrected baseline lung function compared by paired t-test. Difference in prevalence of respiratory symptoms examined.	Baseline: 8-h avg O_3: Range 2-56 $\mu g/m^3$ Smog episode: 1-h max O_3: Exceeded 160 $\mu g/m^3$ on 11 days	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2	Small decrements in FEV_1 and FEF_{25-75} were found in the 212 children. However, significant decreases in resistance parameters also were noted. Each day a different group of 30 children were measured. The results of the lung function are contradictory in that spirometry suggest airflow obstruction while impedance measurement suggest otherwise. Respiratory symptoms impacted by low response rate of 122 of 212 children due to summer holidays. No increase was observed.	Change in lung function and impedance between baseline and smog episode: FEV_1: −0.032 L (SD 0.226), $p \leq 0.05$ FEF_{25-75}: −0.086 L/s (SD 0.415), $p \leq 0.01$ Resistence at 8 Hz: −0.47 $cmH_2O/(L/s)$ (SD 1.17), $p \leq 0.05$
Gielen et al. (1997) Amsterdam, the Netherlands Apr-Jul 1995	Panel study of 61 children aged 7-13 years from two special schools for chronically ill children, followed for twice-daily PEF, symptoms, and medication usage. 77% of cohort had doctor-diagnosed asthma.	1-h max O_3: 77.3 $\mu g/m^3$ SD 15.7 8-h max O_3: 67.0 $\mu g/m^3$ SD 14.9	PM_{10}, BS, pollen	Morning PEF significantly associated with 8-h max O_3 at a lag of 2 days. BS also associated with PEF. Among 14 symptom models tested, only one yielded a significant O_3 finding (for upper respiratory symptoms). PM_{10} and BS, but not O_3, were related to β_2-agonist inhaler use.	8-h max O_3 (per 83.2 $\mu g/m^3$): Percent change in PEF: Morning: Lag 2: −1.86% (−3.58, −0.14) Afternoon: Lag 2: −1.88% (−3.94, 0.18)

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Europe (cont'd)					
Hilterman et al. (1998) Bilthoven, the Netherlands Jul-Oct 1995	Panel study of 60 adult nonsmoking intermittent to severe asthmatics (age 18-55 years) followed over 96 days. Measured morning and afternoon PEF, respiratory symptoms, and medication use. Analysis controlled for time trends, aeroallergens, environmental tobacco smoke exposures, day of week, temperature. Lags of 0 to 2 days examined.	8-h max O_3: 80.1 µg/m^3 Range 6-94	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, BS	Ozone had strongest association with symptoms of any pollutant analyzed. PEF lower with O_3 but not statistically significant. No effect on medication use. No effect modification by steroid use or hyperresponsiveness.	8-h max O_3 (per 100 µg/m^3): Odds ratios: Respiratory symptoms: Shortness of breath: Lag 0: 1.18 (1.02, 1.36) Sleep disturbed by breathing: Lag 0: 1.14 (0.90, 1.45) Pain on deep inspiration: Lag 0: 1.44 (1.10, 1.88) Cough of phlegm: Lag 0: 0.94 (0.83, 1.07) Bronchodilator use: Lag 0: 1.05 (0.94, 1.19)
Hoek and Brunekreef (1995) Deurne and Enkhuizen, the Netherlands Mar-Jul 1989	The occurrence of acute respiratory symptoms investigated in children aged 7-11 years (Deurne n = 241; Enkhuizen n = 59). Symptoms included cough, shortness of breath, upper and lower respiratory symptoms, throat and eye irritation, headache and nausea. Ozone-related symptom prevalence and incidence were examined. Lags of 0 and 1 day, and mean O_3 concentration from previous week were investigated. Analyses using 1st-order autoregressive models and logistic regression models.	1-h max O_3: Deurne: 57 ppb SD 20 Range 22-107 Enkhuizen: 59 ppb SD 14 Range 14-114	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2	No consistent association between ambient O_3 concentrations and the prevalence or incidence of symptoms in either city. The one significant positive coefficient in Enkhuizen for prevalence of upper respiratory symptoms was not confirmed by the Deurne results. No associations of daily symptom prevalence or incidence found with any of the other copollutants examined.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): Prevalence of symptoms: Deurne: Any respiratory symptom: Lag 0: −0.06 (SE 0.04) Cough: Lag 0: −0.07 (SE 0.07) Upper respiratory symptoms: Lag 0: −0.06 (SE 0.05) Enkhuizen: Any respiratory symptom: Lag 0: 0.12 (SE 0.07) Cough: Lag 0: −0.07 (SE 0.18) Upper respiratory symptoms: Lag 0: 0.18 (SE 0.09)* *$p < 0.05$

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Latin America					
Castillejos et al. (1995) SW Mexico City Aug 1990-Oct 1991	Panel study of children aged 7½-11 years (22 males, 18 females) tested up to 8 times for FEV_1 and FVC, before and after exercise. Target minute ventilation was 35 L/min/m^2. Analysis using GEE models.	1-h max O_3: 112.3 ppb Range 0-365 5th quintile mean 229.1 ppb	PM_{10}	The mean % decrements in lung function were significantly greater than zero only in the fifth quintile of O_3 exposure (183-365 ppb).	Percent change with exercise in 5th quintile of O_3 exposure (183-365 ppb): FEV_1: −2.85% (−4.40, −1.31) FVC: −1.43% (−2.81, −0.06)
Gold et al. (1999) SW Mexico City 1991	Panel study of 40 school children aged 8-11 years in polluted community followed for twice-daily PEF and respiratory symptoms. PEF deviations in morning/afternoon from child-specific means analyzed in relation to pollution, temperature, season, and time trend. Morning symptoms analyzed by Poission regression.	24-h avg O_3: 52.0 ppb IQR 25	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}	Reported significant declines in PEF in relation to 24-h avg O_3 levels. Effects did not vary by baseline symptom history. Lags chosen to maximize effects and varied by outcome. Ozone generally robust to $PM_{2.5}$. Morning phlegm significantly related to 24-h avg O_3 at a 1-day lag.	24-h avg O_3 (per 25 ppb): Percent change in PEF: Morning: Lag 1-10: −3.8% (−5.8, −1.8) Afternoon: Lag 0-9: −4.6% (−7.0, −2.1) Percent change in phlegm: Morning: Lag 1: 1.1% (1.0, 1.3)

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Latin America (cont'd)					
Romieu et al. (1996) N Mexico City Apr-Jul 1991, Nov 1991-Feb 1992	Panel study of 71 mildly asthmatic children aged 5-13 years followed for PEF and respiratory symptoms. Lower respiratory symptoms included cough, phlegm, wheeze and/or difficulty breathing.	1-h max O_3: 190 ppb SD 80	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2	Ozone effects observed on both PEF and symptoms. Symptom, but not PEF, effects robust to PM_{10} in two-pollutant models. Symptoms related to O_3 included cough and difficulty breathing.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): Change in PEF (L/min): Morning: Lag 0: −2.44 (−4.40, −0.49) Lag 1: −0.23 (−0.41, 1.62) Lag 2: −1.49 (−3.80, 0.80) Afternoon: Lag 0: −0.56 (−2.70, 1.60) Lag 1: −1.27 (−3.20, 0.62) Lag 2: −1.92 (−4.50, 0.66) Odds ratios: Lower respiratory symptoms: Lag 0: 1.09 (1.03, 1.15) Lag 1: 1.10 (1.04, 1.17) Lag 2: 1.04 (0.97, 1.12)
Romieu et al. (1997) SW Mexico City Apr-Jul 1991, Nov 1991-Feb 1992	Same period as Romieu et al., 1996, but in different section of city. 65 mildly asthmatic children aged 5-13 years followed for twice-daily PEF, and respiratory symptoms. Up to 2 months follow-up per child. Analysis included temperature and looked at 0- to 2-day lags. No time controls. Lower respiratory symptoms included cough, phlegm, wheeze and/or difficulty breathing. Panel study.	1-h max O_3: 196 ppb SD 78	PM_{10}	Ozone had significant effects on PEF and symptoms, with largest effects at lags 0 and 1 day. Symptoms related to O_3 included cough and phlegm. Ozone effects stronger than those for PM_{10}.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): Change in PEF (L/min): Morning: Lag 0: −1.32 (−3.21, 0.57) Lag 1: −0.39 (−2.24, 1.47) Lag 2: −0.97 (−2.94, 0.99) Afternoon: Lag 0: −1.81 (−3.60, −0.01) Lag 1: −2.32 (−4.17, −0.47) Lag 2: −0.21 (−2.44, 2.02) Odds ratios: Lower respiratory symptoms: Lag 0: 1.11 (1.05, 1.19) Lag 1: 1.08 (1.01, 1.15) Lag 2: 1.07 (1.02, 1.13)

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Latin America (cont'd)					
Romieu et al. (1998) Mexico City Mar-May 1996 (1st phase) Jun-Aug 1996 (2nd phase)	Panel study of 47 street workers aged 18-58 years randomly selected to take a daily supplement (vitamin C, vitamin E, and beta carotene) or placebo during 1st phase of study. Following washout period, the use of supplements and placebos was reversed during 2nd phase. Pulmonary function test performed twice a week at end of workday. Plasma concentrations of beta carotene and α-tocopherol measured. Analysis using GEE models.	1-h max O_3: 123 ppb SD 40 55% of days >110 ppb. Workday hourly average during workday prior to pulmonary function test: 67.3 ppb SD 24	PM_{10}, NO_2	During the 1st phase, O_3 levels were significantly associated with declines in lung function parameters. No associations were observed in the daily supplement group. A significant supplement effect was observed. Ozone-related decrements also were observed during the 2nd phase, however the associations were not significant. Supplementation with antioxidants during the 1st phase may have had a residual protective effect on the lung.	1-h max O_3 (per 10 ppb): Placebo group: 1st phase: FEV_1: Lag 0: −17.9 mL (SE 5.4)* FVC: Lag 0: −14.8 mL (SE 7.1)* 2nd phase: FEV_1: Lag 0: −3.3 mL (SE 6.5) FVC: Lag 0: −0.27 mL (SE 7.8) No significant associations with O_3 observed when taking supplements.
Romieu et al. (2002) Mexico City Oct 1998-Apr 2000	Panel study of 158 asthmatic children aged 6-16 years randomly given a vitamin (C and E) supplement or placebo followed for 12 weeks. Peak flow was measured twice a day and spirometry was performed twice per week in the morning. Double blind study. Plasma concentration of vitamin E levels measured. Analysis using GEE models.	1-h max O_3: 102 ppb SD 47	PM_{10}, NO_2	Ozone levels were significantly correlated with decrements in FEF_{25-75} in the placebo group, but not in the supplement group. When analysis was restricted to children with moderate-to-severe asthma, amplitudes of decrements were larger and significant for FEV_1, FEF_{25-75}, and PEF in the placebo group. Supplementation with antioxidants may modulate the impact of O_3 exposure on the small airways of children with moderate to severe asthma.	1-h max O_3 (per 10 ppb): Children with moderate to severe asthma: Placebo group: O_3 with PM_{10} and NO_2 models: FEV_1: Lag 1: −4.59 mL, $p = 0.04$ $FEF_{2.5-75}$: Lag 1: −13.32 mL/s, $p \leq 0.01$ PEF: Lag 1: −15.01 mL/s, $p = 0.04$ No association observed in the vitamin supplement group.

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Latin America (cont'd)					
Romieu et al. (2004) Mexico City Oct 1998-Apr 2000	Additional analysis of Romieu et al., 2002 with data on glutathion S-transferase M1 polymorphism (GSTM1 null genotype) in 158 asthmatic children. Analysis performed using GEE models, stratified by GSTM1 genotype (null versus positive) within the two treatment groups (placebo and antioxidant supplemented). Panel study.	1-h max O_3: 102 ppb SD 47	None	In the placebo group, O_3 exposure was significantly and inversely associated with $FEF_{2.5-75}$ in children who had the GSTM1 null genotype, with larger effects seen in children with moderate-to-severe asthma. No significant decrements were seen in the GSTM1 positive children. These results provide preliminary evidence that asthmatic children who may be genetically impaired to handle oxidative stress are most susceptible to the effect of O_3 on small airways function.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): FEF_{25-75} in children with moderate to severe asthma: Placebo group: GSTM1 null: Lag 1: −80.8 mL/s, p = 0.002 GSTM1 positive: Lag 1: −34.4 mL/s, p > 0.10 Supplement group: GSTM1 null: Lag 1: −7.3 mL/s, p > 0.10 GSTM1 positive: Lag 1: 2.0 mL/s, p > 0.10
Australia					
Jalaludin et al. (2000) Sydney, Australia Feb-Dec 1994	Panel study of three groups of children (mean age 9.6 years): (1) n = 45 with history of wheeze 12 months, positive histamine challenge, and doctor-diagnosed asthma; (2) n = 60 with history of wheeze and doctor-diagnosed asthma; (3) n = 20 with only history of wheeze. Examined for evening PEF and daily O_3 using GEE model and population regression models.	Mean daytime O_3 (6 a.m.-9 p.m.): 12 ppb SD 6.8 Maximum daytime O_3 (6 a.m.-9 p.m.): 26 ppb SD 14.4	PM_{10}, NO_2	A significant negative association was found between daily mean deviation in PEF and same-day mean daytime O_3 concentration after adjusting for copollutants, time trend, meteorological variables, pollen count, and *Alternaria* count. The association was stronger in a subgroup of children with bronchial hyper-reactivity and doctor-diagnosed asthma. In contrast, the same-day maximum O_3 concentration was not statistically associated.	Change in PEF (per 10 ppb mean daytime O_3): All children (n = 125): O_3 only model: −0.9178 (SE 0.4192), p = 0.03 O_3 with PM_{10} model: −0.9195 (SE 0.4199), p = 0.03 O_3 with PM_{10} and NO_2 model: −0.8823 (SE 0.4225), p = 0.04

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Australia (cont'd)					
Jalaludin et al. (2004) Sydney, Australia Feb-Dec 1994	Same three groups of children as studied in Jalaludin et al., 2000. Examined relationship between O_3 and evening respiratory symptoms (wheeze, dry cough, and wet cough), evening asthma medication use (inhaled β_2-agonist and inhaled corticosteroids), and doctor visits for asthma. Analysis using GEE logistic regression models. Panel study.	Mean daytime O_3 (6 a.m.-9 p.m.): 12 ppb SD 6.8 Maximum daytime O_3 (6 a.m.-9 p.m.): 26 ppb SD 14.4	PM_{10}, NO_2	No significant O_3 effects observed on evening symptoms, evening asthma medication use, and doctors visits. Also, no differences in the response of children in the three groups. A potential limitation is that the use of evening outcome measures rather than morning values may have obscured the effect of ambient air pollutants. Only consistent relationship was found between mean daytime PM_{10} concentrations and doctor visits for asthma.	Mean daytime O_3 (per 8.3 ppb): Odds ratios: All children (n = 125): Wheeze: Lag 1: 1.00 (0.93, 1.08) Dry cough: Lag 1: 1.03 (0.96, 1.11) Wet cough: Lag 1: 0.97 (0.92, 1.03) Inhaled β_2-agonist use: Lag 1: 1.02 (0.97, 1.07) Inhaled corticosteroid use: Lag 1: 1.02 (0.99, 1.04) Doctor visit for asthma: Lag 1: 1.05 (0.77, 1.43)
Asia					
Park et al. (2002) Seoul, Korea Mar 1996-Dec 1999	Time-series study. Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria used in analysis. Children from 1st to 6th grade at one elementary school located in high traffic area followed for school absences. Average enrollment count was 1,264. Each absence classified as illness-related or not. Single-day lags of 0 and 1 day, and a cumulative 7-day lag considered.	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): 22.86 ppb Range 3.13-69.15	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	Ozone positively associated with illness-related absences at a lag of 0-day. For non-illness-related absences, inverse relationship with O_3 observed. PM_{10} and SO_2 also associated with illness-related absences. Ozone effects were robust in two-pollutant models.	8-h avg O_3 (per 15.94 ppb): Relative risks: All absences: 1.01 (0.99, 1.03) Illness-related absences: 1.08 (1.06, 1.11) Non-illness-related absences: 0.84 (0.80, 0.87)

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Asia (cont'd)					
Chen et al. (1998) Six communities in Taiwan 1994-1995	4,697 school children (age unspecified) from a rural area (Taihsi), urban areas (Keelung and Sanchung), and petrochemical industrial areas (Jenwu, Linyuan, and Toufen) cross-sectionally examined for respiratory symptoms and diseases using parent-completed questionnaires. Multiple logistic regression models used to compare odds of symptoms and diseases in urban or petrochemical areas to the rural area after controlling for potential confounding factors. Cross-sectional panel study.	24-h avg O_3: Rural area: 52.56 ppb Urban area: Mean range 38.34-41.90 ppb Petrochemical industrial area: Mean range 52.12-60.64 ppb	SO_2, CO, PM_{10}, NO_2	School children in urban communities, but not in petrochemical industrial areas, had significantly more respiratory symptoms and diseases compared to those living in the rural community. However, mean O_3 levels in the urban communities were lower than that of the rural community. No causal relationship could be derived between O_3 and respiratory symptoms and diseases in this cross-sectional study.	Urban areas compared to rural area: Odds ratios: Respiratory symptoms: Morning cough: 1.33 (0.98, 1.80) Day or night cough: 1.67 (1.21, 2.29) Shortness of breath: 1.40 (1.04, 1.91) Wheezing or asthma: 1.68 (1.11, 2.54)
Chen et al. (1999) Three towns in Taiwan: Sanchun, Taihsi, Linyuan May 1995-Jan 1996	Valid lung function data obtained once on each of 895 children (age 8-13 years) in three towns. Examined relation between lung function and pollution concentrations on same day and over previous 1, 2, and 7 days. Multipollutant models examined. Cross-sectional panel study.	1-h max O_3: Range 19.7-110.3 ppb SD not provided.	SO_2, CO, PM_{10}, NO_2	FEV_1 and FVC significantly associated with 1-day lag O_3. FVC also related to NO_2, SO_2, and CO. No PM_{10} effects observed. Only O_3 remained significant in multipollutant models. No PM_{10} effects. A significant O_3 effect was not evident at O_3 levels below 60 ppb.	Change in lung function: O_3 only models: Lag 1: FEV_1: −0.64 mL/ppb (SE 0.34)* FVC: −0.79 mL/ppb (SE 0.32)* O_3 with NO_2 models: Lag 1: FEV_1: −0.85 mL/ppb (SE 0.34)* FVC: −0.91 mL/ppb (SE 0.37)* *$p < 0.05$

Table AX7-1 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Lung Function and Respiratory Symptoms in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Asia (cont'd)					
Chan and Wu (2000) Taichung City, Taiwan Sep 2001 (Questionnaire survey) Nov-Dec 2001 (Field study)	A cohort of mail carriers (mean age 39 years) examined for effects of O_3 exposure on PEF. Their exposure periods were between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. every working day. PEF measurements taken twice daily. Single-day lags from 0 to 3 days examined. A two-step statistical model was used, a multiple linear regression without air pollutants followed by a linear mixed effects model to estimate pollution effects.	8-h avg O_3 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.): 35.6 ppb SD 12.1 Range 7.6-65.1	PM_{10}, NO_2	Significant associations observed between evening PEF and O_3 concentrations at lags of 0, 1 and 2 days. Largest effect observed at a 1-day lag. Similar O_3 effects on morning PEF also noted (data not presented). Neither PM_{10} nor NO_2 showed consistent associations with PEF. Ozone results were robust to adjustment for PM_{10} and NO_2.	8-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): % change in evening PEF: Lag 0: 0.54%, $p < 0.05$ Lag 1: 0.69%, $p < 0.05$ Lag 2: 0.52%, $p < 0.05$

Table AX7-2. Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Cardiovascular Outcomes in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States					
Liao et al. (2004) Three locations in U.S.: Minneapolis, MN; Jackson, MS; Forsyth County, NC 1996-1998	Cross-sectional study of 5,431 cohort members of the Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities study, men and women aged 45-64 years at entry in 1987. Association between O_3 and cardiac autonomic control assessed using 5-minute heart rate variability indices collected over a 4-hour period. Analysis using multivariable linear regression models, adjusting for individual cardiovascular disease risk factors and meteorological factors.	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): 41 ppb SD 16	PM_{10}, CO, SO_2, NO_2	Significant interaction between O_3 and ethnicity in relation to high-frequency power ($p < 0.05$). Ambient O_3 significantly associated with high-frequency power among whites, but not blacks. No significant O_3 effect on other heart rate variability indices, including low-frequency power and SD of normal R-R intervals. More consistent relationships observed between PM_{10} and heart rate variability indices.	8-h avg O_3 (per 16 ppb): Log-transformed high-frequency power: White race: Lag 1: −0.069 (SE 0.019)* Black race: Lag 1: 0.047 (SE 0.034) Log-transformed high-frequency power: Lag 1: −0.010 (SE 0.016) SD of normal R-R intervals: Lag 1: −0.336 (SE 0.290) *$p < 0.05$
Peters et al. (2000a) Eastern Massachusetts 1995-1997	Records of detected arrhythmias and therapeutic interventions were downloaded from defibrillators implanted in cardiac clinic patients aged 22-85 years (n = 100). Analysis was restricted to defibrillator discharges precipitated by ventricular tachycardias or fibrillation. Data were analyzed by logistic regression models using fixed effect models with individual intercepts.	24-h avg O_3: 18.6 ppb IQR 14.0	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, BC, CO, NO_2, SO_2	No significant O_3 effects observed for defibrillator discharge interventions. For patients with ten or more interventions, increased arrhythmias were associated significantly with $PM_{2.5}$, CO, and NO_2 at various lag periods, but not O_3.	24-h avg O_3 (per 32 ppb): Odds ratios: Defibrillator discharges: Patients with at least one event: Lag 0: 0.96 (0.47, 1.98) Patients with at least ten events: Lag 0: 1.23 (0.53, 2.87)

Table AX7-2 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Cardiovascular Outcomes in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Peters et al. (2001) Greater Boston area, MA Jan 1995-May 1996	Case-crossover study design used to investigate association between air pollution and triggering of myocardial infarction in 772 patients (mean age 61.6 years). For each subject, one case period was matched to three control periods 24 hours apart. Conditional logistic regression used for analysis.	1-h max O_3: 19.8 ppb 24-h avg O_3: 19.9 ppb	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, $PM_{10-2.5}$, BC, CO, NO_2, SO_2	None of the gaseous pollutants, including O_3, were significantly associated with the triggering of myocardial infarctions. Significant associations reported for $PM_{2.5}$ and PM_{10}.	Odds ratios: Myocardial infarctions: 2-h avg O_3 (per 45 ppb): Lag 1 hour: 1.31 (0.85, 2.03) 24-h avg O_3 (per 30 ppb): Lag 24 hours: 0.94 (0.60, 1.49)
Park et al. (2005) Greater Boston area, MA Nov 2000-Oct 2003	Cross-sectional study examining the effect of O_3 on heart rate variability in 497 adult males (mean age 72.7 years). Subjects were monitored during a 4-minute rest period between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Ozone levels measured at central site 1 km from study site. Exposure averaging times of 4-hours, 24-hours, and 48-hours investigated. Modifying effects of hypertension, ischemic heart disease, diabetes, and use of cardiac/ antihypertensive medications also examined. Linear regression analyses.	24-h avg O_3: 23.0 ppb SD 13.0	$PM_{2.5}$, particle number concentration, BC, NO_2, SO_2, CO	Of the pollutants examined, only $PM_{2.5}$ and O_3 showed significant associations with heart rate variability outcomes. The 4-hour averaging period was most strongly associated with heart rate variability indices. The O_3 effect was robust in models including $PM_{2.5}$. The associations between O_3 and heart rate variability indices were stronger in subjects with hypertension (n = 335) and ischemic heart disease (n = 142). In addition, calcium-channel blockers significantly influenced the effect of O_3 on low frequency power. Major limitations of this study are the use of a short 4-minute period to monitor heart rate variability and the lack of repeated measurements for each subject.	4-h avg O_3 (per 13 ppb): Change in low frequency power: All subjects: −11.5% (−21.3, −0.4) Subjects with hypertension: −12.6% (−25.0, 1.9) Subjects without hypertension: −5.4% (−21.6, 14.1) Subjects with ischemic heart disease: −25.8% (−41.9, −5.3) Subjects without ischemic heart disease: −4.8% (−16.7, 8.8)

Table AX7-2 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Cardiovascular Outcomes in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Gold et al. (2000; reanalysis Gold et al., 2003) Boston, MA Jun-Sep 1997	Panel study of repeated measurements of heart rate variability in subjects aged 53-87 years (n = 21, 163 observations). Twenty-five minute protocol included 5 minutes each of rest, standing, exercise outdoors, recovery, and 20 cycles of slow breathing. Ozone levels measured at central site 4.8 miles from study site. Analyses using random effects models and GAM with stringent convergence criteria.	1-h max O_3: 25.7 ppb IQR 23.0	$PM_{2.5}$, NO_2, SO_2	Increased levels of O_3 were associated with reduced r-MSSD (square root of the mean of the squared differences between adjacent normal RR intervals) during the slow breathing period after exercise outdoors. The estimated O_3 effects were similar to those of $PM_{2.5}$. Results suggest that O_3 exposure may decrease vagal tone, leading to reduced heart rate variability.	1-h max O_3 (per 23.0 ppb): Change in r-MSSD: During first rest period: O_3 only model: −3.0 ms (SE 1.9), p = 0.12 During slow breathing period: O_3 only model: −5.8 ms (SE 2.4), p = 0.02 O_3 with $PM_{2.5}$ model: −5.4 ms (SE 2.5), p = 0.03
Schwartz et al. (2005) Boston, MA 12 weeks during the summer of 1999	A panel study of 28 elderly subjects (age 61-89 years). Various HRV parameters were measured for 30 minutes once a week. Analysis using linear mixed models with log-transformed HRV measurements. To examine heterogeneity of effects, hierarchical model was used.	1-h avg O_3: Median 34 ppb IQR 26	BC, $PM_{2.5}$, CO, SO_2, NO_2	HRV parameters examined included: standard deviation of normal RR intervals (SDNN), root mean squared differences between adjacent R-R intervals (r-MSSD), proportion of adjacent NN intervals differing by more than 50 ms (PNN_{50}), and low frequency/high frequency ratio (LFHFR). Ozone was weakly associated with HRV parameters. Strongest association seen for BC, an indicator of traffic particles. The random effects model indicated that the negative effect of BC on HRV was not restricted to a few subjects. Subjects with MI experienced greater BC-related decrements in HRV parameters. Authors noted that in this study ambient O_3 might represent a secondary particle effect and not a true O_3 effect, and suggested that personal exposure measurements might be necessary to assess the effect of O_3 on cardiovascular outcomes.	1-h avg O_3 (per 26 ppb): Change in HRV parameters: SDNN: −3.1 ms (−7.0, 0.9) r-MSSD: −8.5 ms (−16.6, 0.3) PNN_{50}: −6.5% (−18.9, 7.8)

Table AX7-2 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Cardiovascular Outcomes in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Dockery et al. (2005) Boston, MA Jul 1995-Jul 2002	Effect of air pollution on incidence of ventricular arrhythmias was examined in 203 patients with implantable cardioverter defibrillators using time-series methods. Mean follow-up period was 3.1 years/subject. All subjects located <40 km of air pollution monitoring site. Two-day mean air pollution level used in analysis. Results analyzed by logistic regression using GEE with random effects. Modifying effects of previous arrhythmia within 3 days also examined.	48-h avg O_3: Median 22.9 ppb IQR 15.4	$PM_{2.5}$, BC, SO_4^{2-}, particle number, CO, NO_2, SO_2	No associations were observed between air pollutants and ventricular arrhythmias when all events were considered. When only examining ventricular arrhythmias within 3 days of a prior event, positive associations were found for most pollutants except for O_3. Suggestive evidence of a concentration-response relationship between ventricular arrhythmias and increasing quintiles of O_3.	48-h avg O_3 (per 15.4 ppb): Odds ratios: All events: 1.09 (0.93, 1.29) Prior arrhythmia event < 3 days: 1.01 (0.76, 1.35) Prior arrhythmia event > 3 days: 1.14 (0.92, 1.40)

Table AX7-2 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Cardiovascular Outcomes in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
United States (cont'd)					
Rich et al. (2005) Boston, MA Jul 1995-Jul 2002	Same study population as Dockery et al. (2005). Case-crossover study design used to examine association between air pollution and ventricular arrhythmias. For each case period, 3-4 control periods were selected. Various moving average concentrations of exposure considered – lags 0-2, 0-6, 0-23, and 0-47 hours. Analysis using conditional logistic regression models.	1-h avg O_3: Median 22.2 ppb IQR 21.7 24-h avg O_3: Median 22.6 ppb IQR 15.7	$PM_{2.5}$, BC, CO, NO_2, SO_2	Associations observed for $PM_{2.5}$ and O_3 with a 24-h moving average, and for NO_2 and SO_2 with a 48-h moving average. In two-pollutant analyses, only $PM_{2.5}$ and O_3 appeared to act independently. In contrast to results from other pollutants, stratified analyses indicated that O_3 was associated with increased risk among subjects without a recent event, but not those with recent events. The odds ratio for the 24-h moving average concentration was larger than that for the same-calendar day concentration. This suggested that using calendar day concentrations might result in greater exposure misclassification which could lead to underestimation of risk. Findings of an association with 24-h moving average concentrations but not with shorter time periods could imply a cumulative effect across the previous 24 hours.	Odds ratios: 24-h moving average O_3 (per 15.9 ppb): O_3 only model: All events: 1.21 (1.00, 1.45) Prior arrhythmia event < 3 days: 1.04 (0.78, 1.37) Prior arrhythmia event > 3 days: 1.28 (1.05, 1.58) O_3 with $PM_{2.5}$ model: All events: 1.18 (0.94, 1.49) 24-h calendar day O_3 (per 15.7 ppb): O_3 only model: All events: 0.96 (0.80, 1.15)
Canada					
Rich et al. (2004) Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada Feb-Dec 2000	Case-crossover study design used to investigate association between air pollution and cardiac arrhythmia in patients aged 15-85 years (n = 34) with implantable cardioverter defribillators. Controls periods were selected 7 days before and after each case day. Analysis using conditional logistic regression.	1-h max O_3: 27.5 ppb SD 9.7 IQR 13.4	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, EC, OC, SO_4^{2-}, CO, NO_2, SO_2	No consistent association between any of the air pollutants, including O_3, and implantable cardioverter defribillators discharges. No significant association observed in all year data, however, significant relationship found in winter months at a 3-day lag. Overall, little evidence that air pollutants affect risk of cardiac arrhythmias, however, power was limited to study subtle effects.	No quantitative results for O_3.

Table AX7-2 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Cardiovascular Outcomes in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Canada (cont'd)					
Vedal et al. (2004) Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada 1997-2000	Retrospective, longitudinal panel study of 50 patients (age 12-77 years) with implantable cardioverter defribillators. Occurrence of cardiac arrhythmia was associated with air pollutants over four-year period. GEE used for analysis.	1-h max O_3: 28.2 ppb SD 10.2 IQR 13.8	PM_{10}, CO, NO_2, SO_2	No consistent association between any of the air pollutants and percent change in arrhythmia. Among patients with at least 2 arrhythmia event-days per year, a significant negative relationship between O_3 and arrhythmias was observed at lag 3-day during the summer, but no associations were found during the winter. These results do not provide evidence for an O_3 effect on cardiac arrhythmias in susceptible patients.	No quantitative results for O_3.
Europe					
Ruidavets et al. (2005) Toulouse, France Jan 1997 - Jun 1999	MONICA Project. Examined short-term effects of pollution on acute MI using case-crossover study design. The study population included 395,744 inhabitants aged 35 to 64 years. Acute MI was examined using clinical, electrocardiograms, and enzymatic data. Four case definitions were used; there were a total of 635 cases for the most inclusive definition. Deaths were validated. Age, gender, history of ischemic heart disease, and survival status evaluated. Analyses using fixed-effects method with conditional logistic regression.	8-h max O_3: 74.8 µg/m^3 SD 28.1 Range 3.8-160.2	NO_2, SO_2	After adjustment for temperature, relative humidity, and influenza epidemics, an association between O_3 and acute MI was found for 0- and 1-day lags, but not for longer lags. Older age was an important risk factor. Subjects with no personal history of ischemic heart disease yielded a stronger association. Moderate levels of NO_2 and SO_2 were observed. NO_2 and SO_2 were not associated with acute MI. No PM data was reported.	8-h max O_3 (per 5 µg/m^3): Relative risk: All cases (n = 635): Lag 0: 1.05 (1.01, 1.08) Lag 1: 1.05 (1.01, 1.09) Age group: Age 35-54 years (n = 281): Lag 0: 1.04 (0.99, 1.09) Age 55-64 years (n = 283): Lag 0: 1.06 (1.01, 1.12) History of ischemic heart disease: Yes (n = 127): Lag 0: 1.03 (0.96, 1.12) No (n = 437): Lag 0: 1.05 (1.01, 1.09) Age 55-64 years with no history of ischemic heart disease (n = 225): Lag 0: 1.07 (1.01, 1.13) Lag 1: 1.11 (1.04, 1.19)

Table AX7-2 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Cardiovascular Outcomes in Field Studies

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Methods	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Findings, Interpretation	Effects
Latin America					
Holguín et al. (2003) Mexico City Feb-Apr 2000	Panel study of the association between O_3 and heart rate variability examined in 34 elderly subjects (mean age 79 years) in a nursing home. Subjects were monitored during a 5-minute rest period between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. every other day for a 3-month period. A total of 595 observations were collected. Ambient O_3 levels obtained from central site 3 km upwind from study site. Analysis performed using GEE models adjusting for potential confounding factors including age and average heart rate.	1-h max O_3: 149 ppb SD 40	$PM_{2.5}$ (indoor, outdoor, total), NO_2, SO_2, CO	Only $PM_{2.5}$ and O_3 were significantly associated with heart rate variability outcomes. A significant effect of O_3 on heart rate variability was limited to subjects with hypertension (n = 21). In two-pollutant models, the magnitude of the $PM_{2.5}$ effect decreased slightly but remained significant, whereas O_3 was no longer associated with heart rate variability indices.	1-h max O_3 (per 10 ppb): Log_{10} high frequency power/100,000 ms^2: All subjects: −0.010 (−0.022, 0.001) Subjects with hypertension: −0.031 (−0.051, −0.012) Subjects without hypertension: 0.002 (−0.012, 0.016) Log_{10} low frequency power/100,000 ms^2: All subjects: −0.010 (−0.021, 0.001) Subjects with hypertension: −0.029 (−0.046, −0.011) Subjects without hypertension: 0.001 (−0.012, 0.015)

Table AX7-3. Effects of O_3 on Daily Emergency Department Visits

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States						
Jaffe et al. (2003) Cincinnati, Cleveland, and Columbus, OH Jun-Aug 1991-1996	Daily time-series study of emergency department visits for asthma among Medicaid recipients aged 5-34 years.	8-h max O_3: Cincinnati: 60 ppb SD 20 Cleveland: 50 ppb SD 17 Columbus: 57 ppb SD 16	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2	1, 2, 3	Poisson regression with control for city, day of week, week, year, minimum temperature, overall trend, and a dispersion parameter. No specific effort to control cycles, but regression residuals were uncorrelated, presumably due to seasonal restriction. Results shown for individual cities and overall. PM_{10} available only every 6th day. Positive relationships between emergency department visits for asthma and 8-h max O_3 levels lagged 2 to 3 days. Results of borderline statistical significance. Other pollutants also related to asthma emergency department visits in single-pollutant models.	8-h max O_3 (per 30 ppb): Cincinnati: Lag 2: 1.16 (1.00, 1.37) Cleveland: Lag 2: 1.03 (0.92, 1.16) Columbus: Lag 3: 1.16 (0.98, 1.37) Three cities: 1.09 (1.00, 1.19)
Jones et al. (1995) Baton Rouge, LA Jun-Aug 1990	Daily emergency department visits for respiratory complaints over a 3-month period in pediatric (age 0-17 years), adult (age 18-60 years), and geriatric (age >60 years) subgroups. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 69.1 ppb SD 28.7 24-h avg O_3: 28.2 ppb SD 11.7	Mold, pollen	Not specified.	Relatively simple statistical approach using ordinary least squares regression to model effects of O_3 by itself and of O_3 along with pollen counts, mold counts, temperature, and relative humidity. No direct control of cycles but authors reported nonsignificant autocorrelations among model residuals. Data restriction to 3-month period may have reduced any cyclic behavior. Significant associations between respiratory emergency department visits and O_3 observed for adult age group only in multiple regression models.	24-h avg O_3 (per 20 ppb): Pediatric: 0.87 (0.65, 1.09) Adult: 1.20 (1.01, 1.39) Geriatric: 1.27 (0.93, 1.61)

Table AX7-3 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Emergency Department Visits

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States (cont'd)						
Wilson et al. (2005) Portland, ME 1998-2000 Manchester, NY 1996-2000	Daily emergency room visits for total respiratory and asthma examined. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: Portland: All available data: 43.1 ppb SD 13.5 Manchester: Summer: 42.8 ppb SD 14.6 Fall: 30.6 ppb SD 11.5	SO_2	0	Poisson GAM with stringent convergence criteria. Positive associations for asthma in the larger city, Portland. Authors expressed the view that larger cities might be needed to conduct such studies.	8-h max O_3 (per 30 ppb[3]): Portland: Total respiratory: 0.970 (0.915, 1.029) Asthma: 1.094 (1.032, 1.160) Manchester: Total respiratory: 0.970 (0.915, 1.029) Asthma: 0.970 (0.863, 1.092)
Cassino et al. (1999) New York City Aug 1992-Dec 1995	Daily time-series study of emergency department visits in a cohort of 1,115 cohort of 1,115 adult asthmatics aged 18-84. Stratified into 552 never-smokers, 278 light smokers, and 285 heavy smokers.	1-h max O_3: 37.2 ppb IQR 28 24-h avg O_3: 17.5 ppb IQR 14	CO, NO_2, SO_2	0, 1, 2, 3	Used Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. No warm season results presented. Significant O_3 effects seen only at lag 2 among heavy-smokers. Copollutants did not have effects. Short-term cycles and episodic variations in asthma may not have been controlled adequately with 3-month period LOESS. Multiple tests performed, and inconsistent results across smoking strata and lags raise possibility of chance findings. No PM results included.	O_3 24-h avg (per 14 ppb): Heavy smoker subgroup: Lag 0: 0.87 (0.75-1.02) Lag 1: 1.07 (0.93-1.24) Lag 2: 1.26 (1.10-1.44) Lag 3: 0.96 (0.83-1.10)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States (cont'd)						
Weisel et al. (2002) New Jersey May-Aug 1995	Daily asthma emergency department visits for all ages. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3; 5-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-3 p.m.); and 8-h avg O_3 (2 p.m.-10 p.m.) analyzed. Levels not reported.	Pollen, spores	0, 1, 2, 3	No control for time, but authors report no autocorrelation, which alleviates concerns about lack of control. Significant O_3 effects reported, even after adjusting for potential confounding by pollen. All three O_3 indices gave essentially same results.	Slope estimate (visits/day/ppb): Excluding data from May when pollen levels are high: O_3 only model: Lag 0: 0.039, p = 0.049 O_3 with pollen model: Lag 0: 0.040, p = 0.014
Friedman et al. (2001) Atlanta, GA Jul-Aug 1996	Emergency department visits and hospital admissions for asthma in children aged 1-16 years. Outcomes measures during 1996 Summer Olympics were compared to a baseline period of 4 weeks before and after the Olympic Games. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: Baseline: 81.3 ppb SD not given. Intervention period: 58.6 ppb SD not given.	NO_2, SO_2, CO, PM_{10}, mold	0, 0-1, 0-2	Analysis using Poisson GEE models addressing serial autocorrelation. An overall decrease was observed when comparing the number of visits and hospitalizations during the Olympic Games to the baseline period. However, significant associations between O_3 and asthma events were found during the Olympic Games.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): Pediatric emergency departments: Lag 0: 1.2 (0.99, 1.56) Lag 0-1: 1.4 (1.04, 1.79) Lag 0-2: 1.4 (1.03, 1.86)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States (cont'd)						
Metzger et al. (2004) Atlanta, GA Jan 1993-Aug 2000	Emergency department visits for total and cause-specific cardiovascular diseases by age groups 19+ years and 65+ years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: Median 53.9 ppb 10th %-90th % 13.2-44.7	NO_2, SO_2, CO, $PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, $PM_{10-2.5}$, ultrafine PM count, SO_4^{2-}, H^+, EC, OC, metals, oxygenated hydrocarbons	0-2	Poisson GLM regression used for analysis. *A priori* models specified a lag of 0 to 2 days. Secondary analyses performed to assess alternative pollutant lag structures, seasonal influences, and age effects. Cardiovascular visits were significantly associated with several pollutants, including NO_2, CO, and $PM_{2.5}$, but not O_3.	8-h max O_3 (per 25 ppb): All ages: Total cardiovascular: 1.008 (0.987, 1.030) Dysrhythmia: 1.008 (0.967, 1.051) Congestive heart failure: 0.965 (0.918, 1.014) Ischemic heart disease: 1.019 (0.981, 1.059) Peripheral vascular and cerebrovascular disease: 1.028 (0.985, 1.073)
Peel et al. (2005) Atlanta, GA Jan 1993-Aug 2000	Emergency department visits for total and cause-specific respiratory diseases by age groups 0-1, 2-18, 19+, and 65+ years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: 55.6 ppb SD 23.8	NO_2, SO_2, CO, $PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, $PM_{10-2.5}$, ultrafine PM count, SO_4^{2-}, H^+, EC, OC, metals, oxygenated hydrocarbons	0-2	Poisson GEE and GLM regression used for analysis. *A priori* models specified a lag of 0 to 2 days. Also performed secondary analyses estimating the overall effect of pollution over the previous two weeks. Seasonal analyses indicated stronger associations with asthma in the warm months. Quantitative results not presented for multipollutant, age-specific, and seasonal analyses.	8-h max O_3 (per 25 ppb): All ages: Total respiratory: 1.024 (1.008, 1.039) Upper respiratory infections: 1.027 (1.009, 1.045) Asthma: 1.022 (0.996, 1.049) Pneumonia: 1.015 (0.981, 1.050) COPD: 1.029 (0.977, 1.084)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States (cont'd)						
Tolbert et al. (2000) Atlanta, GA Jun-Aug 1993-1995	Pediatric (aged 0-16 years) asthma emergency department visits over three summers in Atlanta. A unique feature of the study was assignment of O_3 exposures to zip code centroids based on spatial interpolation from nine O_3 monitoring stations. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 68.8 ppb SD 21.1 8-h max O_3: 59.3 ppb SD 19.1	PM_{10}, NO_2, mold, pollen	1	*A priori* specification of model, including a lag of 1 day for all pollutants and meteorological variables. Secondary analysis using logistic regression of the probability of daily asthma visits, referenced to total visits (asthma and nonasthma). Significant association with O_3 and PM_{10} in 1-, but not in 2-pollutant models (correlation between O_3 and PM_{10}: $r = 0.75$). Secondary analysis indicated nonlinearity, with O_3 effects clearly significant only for days $\geq$100 ppb versus days <50 ppb.	8-h max O_3 (per 20 ppb): Poisson regression: O_3 only model: 1.040 (1.008, 1.074) Logistic regression: O_3 only model: 1.042 (1.017, 1.068) O_3 with PM_{10} model: 1.024 (0.982, 1.069)
Zhu et al. (2003) Atlanta, GA Jun-Aug 1993-1995	Asthma emergency department visits in children (age 0-16 years) over three summers in Atlanta. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: Levels not reported.	None	1	Used Bayseian hierarchical modeling to address model variability and spatial associations. Data were analyzed at the zip code level to account for spatially misaligned longitudinal data. A positive, but nonsignificant relationship between O_3 and emergency room visits for asthma.	8-h max O_3 (per 20 ppb): Posterior median: 1.016 (0.984, 1.049)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Canada						
Delfino et al. (1997b) Montreal, Quebec, Canada Jun-Sep 1992-1993	Daily time-series ecologic study of emergency department visits for respiratory complaints within five age strata (<2, 2-18, 19-34, 35-64, >64 years).	1-h max O_3: 1992: 33.2 ppb SD 12.6 1993: 36.2 ppb SD 13.8 8-h max O_3: 1992: 28.8 ppb SD 11.3 1993: 30.7 ppb SD 11.5	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, H^+	0, 1, 2	Used ordinary least squares, with 19-day weighted moving average pre-filter to control cycles; weather also controlled. Significant effects reported for 1-day lag O_3 in 1993 only for age >64 years. This O_3 effect reported to be robust in two-pollutant models. Low O_3 levels raise plausibility concerns. Short data series, multiple tests performed, and inconsistent results across years and age groups raise possibility of chance findings.	1993 (age >64 years): 1-h max O_3 (per 36.2 ppb): Lag 1: 1.214 (1.084, 1.343) 8-h max O_3 (per 30.7 ppb): Lag 1: 1.222 (1.091, 1.354)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Canada (cont'd)						
Delfino et al. (1998b) Montreal, Quebec, Canada Jun-Aug 1989-1990	Daily time-series ecologic study of emergency department visits for respiratory complaints across all ages and within four age strata (<2, 2-34, 35-64, >64 years).	1-h max O_3: 1989: 44.1 ppb SD 18.3 1990: 35.4 ppb SD 12.9 8-h max O_3: 1989: 37.5 ppb SD 15.5 1990: 29.9 ppb SD 11.2	Estimated $PM_{2.5}$	0, 1, 2	Same analytical approach used in Delfino et al., 1997. Results presented only for 1989. Significant effects reported for 1-day lag O_3 in 1989 only for age >64 years. This O_3 effect reported to be robust in 2-pollutant models.	1989 (age >64 years): 1-h max O_3 (per 44.1 ppb): Lag 1: 1.187 (0.969, 1.281) 8-h max O_3 (per 37.5 ppb): Lag 1: 1.218 (1.097, 1.338) No significant O_3 effects in other age groups or for 1990.
Stieb et al. (1996) Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada May-Sep 1984-1992	Daily emergency department visits for asthma in all ages, age <15 years and 15+ years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 41.6 ppb Range 0-160 95th % 75	SO_2, NO_2, SO_4^{2-}, TSP	0, 1, 2, 3	Poisson analysis with control of time based on 19-day moving average filter. Also controlled day of week and weather variables. Ozone was only pollutant consistently associated with emergency department visits for asthma, but effect appeared nonlinear, with health impacts evident only above 75 ppb O_3.	1-h max O_3 >75 ppb: Lag 2: 1.33 (1.10, 1.56)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Europe						
Sunyer et al. (1997) Four European cities: Barcelona, Helsinki, London, and Paris 1986-1992	Emergency admissions for asthma in children (<15 year) and adults (15-64 years). Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: Barcelona: Median 72 µg/m^3 Range 7-283 Helsinki: Median 27 µg/m^3 Range 1-78 London: Median 40 µg/m^3 Range 1-188 Paris: Median 36 µg/m^3 Range 1-230	BS, SO_2, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 3	Poisson analysis using APHEA methodology. Significant O_3 effects on emergency admissions for asthma observed among 15-64 year olds in Barcelona and London. Across all cities, there was no strong evidence for associations involving O_3.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 µg/m^3): Weighted mean effect (best lag selected for each city): Age <15 years: 3-city pooled estimate (Barcelona data not available): 1.006 (0.976, 1.037) Age 15-64 years: 4-city pooled estimate: 1.015 (0.955, 1.078)
Atkinson et al. (1999a) London, England 1992-1994	Emergency department visits for respiratory complaints, asthma for all ages and age 0-14, 15-64, and 65+ years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: 17.5 ppb SD 11.5	NO_2, SO_2, CO, PM_{10}	0, 1, 2, 3 0-1, 0-2, 0-3	Poisson GLM regression used for analysis. No warm season analysis attempted. PM_{10} positively associated.	8-h max O_3 (per 25.7 ppb): All ages: Total respiratory: Lag 1: 1.017 (0.991, 1.043) Asthma: Lag 1: 1.027 (0.983, 1.072)
Hajat et al. (1999; 2002) London, England 1992-1994	Daily doctor consults for asthma, lower respiratory diseases, and upper respiratory diseases for age 0-14, 15-64, and ≥65 years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: All year: 17.5 ppb SD 11.5 Warm season: 22.7 ppb SD 12.2 Cold season: 12.1 ppb SD 7.6	BS, SO_2, NO_2, CO, PM_{10}, pollen	0-3	Used Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Conducted all year and seasonal analyses. Single- and two-pollutant models analyzed. Significant negative effects for O_3. This may reflect residual confounding by seasonal factors or highly negative correlation with other pollutants..	Upper respiratory diseases, age ≥65 years: All year: 8-h max O_3 (per 25.7 ppb) Lag 2: −8.3% (−13.3, −3.0) Warm season: 8-h max O_3 (per 28.5 ppb) Lag 2: −0.6% (−6.1, 5.1) Cool season: 8-h max O_3 (per 19.8 ppb) Lag 2: −7.9% (−12.9, 2.7)

Table AX7-3 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Emergency Department Visits

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Europe (cont'd)						
Thompson et al. (2001) Belfast, N Ireland 1993-1995	Asthma emergency department admissions in children (age unspecified). Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: Warm season: 18.7 ppb IQR 9 Cold season: 17.1 ppb IQR 12	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2, CO, benzene	0, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3	GLM with sinusoids. Pre-adjustment. Very low O_3 levels in both seasons. No O_3 effect in warm season. Significant inverse O_3 associations in full-year and cold-season models. After adjusting for benzene in model O_3 was no longer negatively associated with asthma visits.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): All year: O_3 only model: Lag 0-1: 0.93 (0.87, 1.00) O_3 with benzene model: Lag 0-1: 1.08 (0.97, 1.21) Warm season: O_3 only model: Lag 0-1: 0.99 (0.89, 1.10) Cold season: O_3 only model: Lag 0-1: 0.89 (0.82, 0.97)
Bourcier et al. (2003) Paris, France Jan 1999-Dec 1999	Ophthalmological emergency examination; conjunctivitis and related ocular surface problems. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: 35.7 µg/m^3 Range 1-97	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 3	Logistic Regression	Results indicate a strong relation to NO_2 and NO. 24-h avg O_3 (per 69 µg/m^3): Conjunctivitis: Lag 0: 1.13 (0.90, 1.42)
Castellsague et al. (1995) Barcelona, Spain 1985-1989	Daily emergency department visits for asthma in persons aged ≥14 years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: Summer: 43 ppb IQR 22 Winter: 29 ppb IQR 16	BS, SO_2, NO_2	Not specified.	Poisson regression with year and month dummy variables and extensive control for weather factors (minimum, maximum, mean temperature, relative humidity, dewpoint temperature; continuous and categorical parameterizations)	1-h max O_3 (per 12.7 ppb): Summer: 0.991 (0.939, 1.045) Winter: 1.055 (0.998, 1.116)

Table AX7-3 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Emergency Department Visits

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Europe (cont'd)						
Tobías et al. (1999) Barcelona, Spain 1986-1989	Daily asthma emergency department visits. Investigated sensitivity of results to four alternative methods for controlling asthma epidemics. Time-series study.	Levels not reported.	BS, NO_2, SO_2	Not specified.	Poisson analysis using APHEA methodology. Asthma epidemics either not controlled, or controlled with one, six, or individual epidemic dummy variables.	O_3 results were sensitive to method used to control asthma epidemics, with regression coefficients ranging over 5-fold depending on the model. Only 1 of 8 models reported had a significant O_3 effect.
Tenías et al. (1998; 2002) Valencia, Spain 1994-1995	Daily emergency department visits for asthma and COPD in persons aged >14 years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: All year: 62.8 µg/m^3 Range 13.3-157.3 Warm season: 74.0 µg/m^3 Cool season: 51.4 µg/m^3	BS, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Poisson analysis using APHEA methodology. Compared warm and cold season effects. GAM explored in sensitivity analysis. For asthma, both O_3 and NO_2 significant in single- and two-pollutant models, and O_3 effect larger in warm season. For COPD, both O_3 and CO significant in both single- and two-pollutant models and no difference in O_3 effects by season.	1-h max O_3 (per 10 µg/m^3): Asthma: All year: Lag 1: 1.06 (1.01, 1.11) Warm season: Lag 1: 1.08 (1.02, 1.05) Cold season: Lag 1: 1.04 (0.97, 1.11) COPD: All year: Lag 5: 1.06 (1.02, 1.10)
Latin America						
Hernández-Garduño et al. (1997) Mexico City May 1992-Jan 1993	Visits to clinics for respiratory diseases in persons aged 1 month to 92 years. Time-series study.	Percent time exceeding 1-h max O_3 of 120 ppb: 6.1-13.2% by location	SO_2, NO_2, CO	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	GLM with pre-adjustment. Ozone at lags 0 and 5 days significantly associated with daily visits for all ages, age <14 years, and 15+ years. Neither O_3 nor NO_2 significant in two-pollutant model.	1-h max O_3 (per maximum less average, value not given): Lag 0: 1.19 (SE 0.08), $p < 0.05$ Lag 5: 1.19 (SE 0.08), $p < 0.05$

Table AX7-3 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Emergency Department Visits

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Latin America (cont'd)						
Lin et al. (1999) São Paulo, Brazil May 1991-Apr 1993	Daily pediatric (age unspecified) respiratory emergency department visits. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 34 ppb SD 22	SO_2, CO, PM_{10}, NO_2	0, 1, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3, 0-4, 0-5	Seasonal control using month dummy variables. Also controlled day of week, temperature. Both O_3 and PM_{10} associated with outcome alone and together.	1-h max O_3 (per 5 ppb): O_3 only model: Lag 0-4: 1.022 (1.016, 1.028) O_3 with PM_{10} model: Lag 0-4: 1.015 (1.009, 1.021)
Martins et al. (2002) São Paulo, Brazil May 1996-Sep 1998	Daily emergency department visits for chronic lower respiratory diseases in persons aged >64 years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 34 ppb SD 21 IQR 21	CO, NO_2, SO_2, PM_{10}	0-1, 0-2, 0-3, 0-4, 0-5, 0-6.	Analyzed using Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Only O_3 and SO_2 significant in single-pollutant models. Ozone effect remained significant when SO_2 included in two-pollutant model.	1-h max O_3 (per 18.26 ppb): Lag 0-3: 1.14 (1.04, 1.23)
Ilabaca et al. (1999) Santiago, Chile Feb 1995-Aug 1996	The association between pollutant levels and emergency visits for pneumonia and other respiratory illnesses among children. Time-series study.	O_3 1-h max: Warm season: 66.6 µg/m^3 SD 25.2 Cold season: 27.6 µg/m^3 SD 20.2	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, SO_2, NO_2	1, 2, 3, 1-7	Poisson regression analysis.	Warm season: 1-h max O_3 (per 30 µg/m^3): Lag 2: 1.019 (1.003, 1.035) Cold season: 1-h max O_3 (per 24 µg/m^3): Lag 2: 0.995 (0.978, 1.011)
Asia						
Hwang and Chan (2002) 50 cities in Taiwan 1998	Daily clinic visits for lower respiratory illnesses for all ages. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 54.2 ppb SD 10.2 Range 38.9-78.3	NO_2, SO_2, PM_{10}, CO	0, 1	Analysis using general linear regressions with moving-average residual processes and Bayesian hierarchical modeling. All pollutants except O_3 were associated with daily clinic visits.	1-h max O_3 (per 40 ppb): Bayesian hierarchical model: 1.003 (0.983, 1.023)

Table AX7-3 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Emergency Department Visits

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Asia (cont'd)						
Chew et al. (1999) Singapore Jan 1990-Dec 1994	Emergency department visits for asthma in persons aged 3-21 years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 23 ppb SD 15	TSP, PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2	0, 1, 2	Simplistic but probably adequate control for time by including 1-day lagged outcome as covariate. In adjusted models that included covariates, O_3 had no significant effect.	No quantitative results presented for O_3.

Table AX7-4. Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States						
Neidell (2004) California 1992-1998	Asthma hospital admissions within five age strata (0-1, 1-3, 3-6, 6-12, and 12-18 years). Time-series study.	O_3 (index not specified): 38.9 ppb SD 17.8 Low SES: 40.1 ppb High SES: 38.3 ppb	CO, NO_2, PM_{10}; multipollutant models	Not specified.	Statistical analysis using naturally occurring seasonal variations in pollutant concentrations within zip codes. Linear regression analyses. Consistent significant positive effects only observed for CO. Negative O_3 effect observed in all age groups. Number of smog alerts was negatively associated with asthma hospitalizations, indicating avoidance behavior on high O_3 days. Interaction term with indicator variable for low SES was positive in all age groups and statistically significant in age 3-6 years and 12-18 years, after adjusting for number of smog alerts.	Slope estimate (adjusting for number of smog alerts): O_3 with CO, NO_2, and PM_{10} models: Age 3-6 years: −0.038 (SE 0.014) Age 6-12 years: −0.044 (SE 0.013) Age 12-18 years: −0.022 (SE 0.011) O_3 × low SES interaction term: Age 3-6 years: 0.092 (SE 0.026) Age 6-12 years: 0.024 (SE 0.024) Age 12-18 years: 0.042 (SE 0.019)
Mann et al. (2002) South Coast air basin, CA 1988-1995	Ischemic heart disease admissions for age 40+ years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: 50.3 ppb SD 30.1 IQR 39.6	PM_{10}, CO, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3, 0-4	Poisson GAM with cubic B-splines; co-adjustment. No significant O_3 effects observed overall or in warm season. CO and NO_2 significant in full-year analyses.	O_3 coefficients all negative, but no consistent, significant effect.

Table AX7-4 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States (cont'd)						
Linn et al. (2000) Los Angeles, CA 1992-1995	Total respiratory and total cardiovascular admissions for age 30+ years. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: Winter: 14 ppb SD 7 Spring: 32 ppb SD 10 Summer: 36 ppb SD 8 Fall: 15 ppb SD 9	PM_{10}, CO, NO_2	0	Poisson GLM; co-adjustment. Only significant O_3 effects observed were inverse associations with total cardiac admission in full-year and winter season, suggesting residual confounding. No significant effects of O_3 on respiratory admissions.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): All year: Respiratory: 1.008 (1.000, 1.016) Cardiovascular: 0.993 (0.987, 0.999)
Nauenberg and Basu (1999) Los Angeles, CA 1991-1994	Unscheduled asthma admissions for all ages. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: 19.88 ppb SD 11.13	PM_{10}	0, 0-7	Poisson GLM with pre-adjustment. No significant effects of O_3. No warm season results presented.	24-h avg O_3 (per 20 ppb): All insurance categories: Lag 0: 1.01 (0.93, 1.08)
Sheppard et al. (1999; reanalysis Sheppard, 2003) Seattle, WA 1987-1994	Asthma admissions for age <65 years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: 30.4 IQR 20	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, $PM_{10-2.5}$, SO_2, CO	1, 2, 3	Poisson GAM, reanalyzed with stringent convergence criteria; Poisson GLM. Results stratified by season. Ozone significant predictor of outcome. No two-pollutant model results reported for O_3.	8-h max O_3 (per 20 ppb): GLM with natural splines: Lag 2: 1.07 (1.01, 1.13)

Table AX7-4 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States (cont'd)						
Schwartz (1996) Spokane, WA Apr-Oct, 1988-1990	Total respiratory admissions in persons aged 65+ years.	1-h max O_3: 79 µg/m^3 IQR 23 24-h avg O_3: 56 µg/m^3 IQR 17	PM_{10}	2	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Results available only for warm season. Ozone and PM_{10} both significant predictors of outcome. No two-pollutant models reported. Ozone effects robust to more extensive temperature specification.	1-h max O_3 (per 50µg/m^3): Lag 2: 1.244 (1.002-1.544) 24-h avg O_3 (per 50µg/m^3): Lag 2: 1.284 (0.926-1.778)
Koken et al. (2003) Denver, CO Jul-Aug 1993-1997	Cause-specific cardiovascular admissions for age >65 years. Cause categories include acute MI, coronary atherosclerosis, pulmonary heart disease, cardiac dysrhythmia, and congestive heart failure. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: 25.0 ppb SD 6.61 Range 5.4-40.2	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0, 1, 2, 3, 4	Analysis using Poisson GLM. Results suggest that O_3 increases the risk of hospitalization for coronary atherosclerosis and pulmonary heart disease. No association was found for PM_{10}. Strong O_3 effects observed in this seasonal study compared to other studies examining year-round data. Male gender and higher temperatures were found to be important risk factors for cardiovascular disease. No multipollutant analyses were reported.	24-h avg O_3 (per 9.7 ppb): Acute MI: 0.824 (0.733, 0.925) Coronary atherosclerosis: 1.123 (1.040, 1.214) Pulmonary heart disease: 1.214 (1.040, 1.418)

Table AX7-4 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States (cont'd)						
Moolgavkar et al. (1997) Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN and Birmingham, AL 1986-1991	Total respiratory, pneumonia, and COPD admissions for age >64 years. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: Minnesota: 26.2 ppb IQR 15.3 Alabama: 25.1 ppb IQR 12.7	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 3	Poisson GLM with co-adjustment. Both O_3 and PM_{10} significant in MN; not in AL. Ozone, but not PM_{10}, effects were robust to NO_2 and SO_2.	24-h avg O_3 (per 15 ppb): Minnesota: Total respiratory: Lag 1: 1.060 (1.033, 1.087) Pneumonia: Lag 1: 1.066 (1.034, 1.098) COPD: Lag 0: 1.045 (0.995, 1.067)
Schwartz et al. (1996) Cleveland, OH Apr-Oct 1988-1990	Total respiratory admissions for age 65+ years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 56 ppb IQR 28	PM_{10}, SO_2	1-2	Poisson GLM with sinusoids; co-adjustment. Results available only for warm season. Ozone and PM_{10} both significant predictors of outcome. No two-pollutant models reported.	1-h max O_3 (per 100 $\mu g/m^3$): 1.09 (1.02, 1.16)
Gwynn and Thurston (2001) New York City 1988-1990	Respiratory admissions for all ages, stratified by race and insurance status. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: 22.1 ppb IQR 14.1 Maximum 80.7	H^+, SO_4^{2-}, PM_{10}	1	GLM with high-pass filter. Ozone associated with respiratory admissions; effects larger for nonwhites and for those uninsured or on medicaid.	24-h avg O_3 (per 58.6 ppb): White: 1.032 (0.987, 1.079) Non-white: 1.122 (1.074, 1.172) Uninsured: 1.138 (1.084, 1.194)
Gwynn et al. (2000) Buffalo, NY May 1988-Oct 1990	Total respiratory admissions for all ages. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: 26.2 ppb IQR 14.8	PM_{10}, SO_4^{2-}, H+, COH, CO, NO_2, SO_2	0, 1, 2, 3	Used Poisson with GAM default convergence criteria for control of temperature; moving average control for time. Ozone significant predictor of outcome. No two-pollutant models reported.	24-h avg O_3 (per 14.8 ppb): Lag 1: 1.029 (1.013-1.045)

Table AX7-4 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
United States (cont'd)						
Weisel et al. (2002) New Jersey May-Aug 1995	Asthma admissions for all ages. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3; 5-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-3 p.m.); and 8-h avg O_3 (2 p.m.-10 p.m.) analyzed. Levels not reported.	Pollen, spores	0, 1, 2, 3	No control for time, but authors report no autocorrelation, which alleviates concerns about lack of control. Significant O_3 effects reported after adjusting for potential confounding by pollen.	Slope estimate (admissions/day/ppb): 5-h avg O_3 and 8-h avg O_3: O_3 only model: Lag 2: 0.099, p = 0.057 All three O_3 indices: O_3 with pollen model: Lag 2: 0.11, p = 0.033
Canada						
Burnett et al. (1997a) 16 Canadian cities 1981-1991	Total respiratory admissions for all ages, age <65 years and 65+ years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: All year: 31 ppb 95th % 60 Mean range across cities: 26-38 ppb 95th % 45-84 Jan-Mar: 26 ppb Apr-Jun: 40 ppb Jul-Sep: 26 ppb Oct-Dec: 21 ppb 9.6% of O_3 data missing.	SO_2, NO_2, CO, coefficient of haze	0, 1, 2, 0-1, 0-2, 1-2	Poisson GLM with co-adjustment. Results stratified by season. Significant O_3 effect observed in warm season only. No O_3 effects on control outcomes. Results consistent across cities.	1-h max O_3 (per 30 ppb): All ages: Jan-Mar: Lag 1: 0.994 (0.964, 1.025) Apr-Jun: Lag 1: 1.042 (1.012, 1.073) Jul-Sep: Lag 1: 1.050 (1.026, 1.074) Oct-Dec: Lag 1: 1.028 (0.998, 1.059)

Table AX7-4 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Canada (cont'd)						
Burnett et al. (1995) 168 Hospitals in Ontario, Canada 1983-1988	Respiratory and cardiovascular admissions for all ages and within age strata. Study focused mainly on testing for sulfate effects. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 36.3 ppb	SO_4^{2-}	1	GLM with pre-adjustment of outcome variables. Results stratified by season. Authors report that O_3 associated with respiratory admission in warm season only.	No quantitative results presented for O_3.
Burnett et al. (1997b) Toronto, Ontario, Canada Summers 1992-1994	Unscheduled respiratory and cardiovascular admissions for all ages. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 41.2 ppb IQR 22	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, H^+, SO_4^{2-}, SO_2, NO_2, CO, coefficient of haze	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 2 to 5 multiday periods lagged 1 to 4 days	Poisson GLM with co-adjustment. Results stratified by season. Ozone and coefficient of haze strongest predictors of outcomes. Ozone effects on both outcomes were robust to PM. PM effects were not robust to O_3.	12-h avg O_3 (8 a.m.-8 p.m.) (per 11.5 ppb): Models adjusted for temperature and dewpoint: Respiratory : Lag 1-3: 1.064 (1.039, 1.090) Cardiovascular: Lag 2-4: 1.074 (1.035, 1.115)
Burnett et al. (1999) Toronto, Ontario, Canada 1980-1994	Cause-specific respiratory and cardiovascular admissions for all ages. Cause categories included asthma, COPD, respiratory infections, heart failure, ischemic heart disease, and cerebrovascular disease. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: 19.5 ppb IQR 19	Estimated $PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, $PM_{10-2.5}$, CO, NO_2, SO_2	0, 1, 2, 0-1, 0-2, 1-2, 1-3, 2-3, 2-4	Poisson GAM with LOESS pre-filter applied to pollution and hospitalization data. Ozone effects seen for respiratory outcomes only. Ozone effect robust to PM; not vice versa. No seasonal stratification.	24-h avg O_3 (per 19.5 ppb): Asthma: Lag 1-3: 1.063 (1.036, 1.091) COPD: Lag 2-4: 1.073 (1.038, 1.107) Respiratory infection: Lag 1-2: 1.044 (1.024, 1.065)

Table AX7-4 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Canada (cont'd)						
Burnett et al. (2001) Toronto, Ontario, Canada 1980-1994	Acute respiratory disease admissions for age <2 years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 45.2 ppb IQR 25	Estimated $PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, $PM_{10-2.5}$, CO, NO_2, SO_2	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 0-4	Poisson GAM with LOESS pre-filter applied to pollution and hospitalization data. Sensitivity analyses using co-adjustment. Results stratified by season. Ozone effects significant only in summer. Ozone effect robust to PM; not vice versa.	1-h max O_3 (per 45.2 ppb): Summer: O_3 only model: Lag 0-4: 1.348 (1.193, 1.524) O_3 with $PM_{2.5}$ model: Lag 0-4: 1.330 (1.131, 1.565)
Lin et al. (2003) Toronto, Ontario, Canada 1981-1993	Asthma admission for age 6-12 years. Case-crossover design.	1-h max O_3: 30 ppb IQR 20	CO, SO_2, NO_2	0, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3, 0-4, 0-5, 0-6	Conditional logistic regression model analysis. No O_3 effects observed. Positive relations to CO, SO_2 and NO_2 observed.	1-h max O_3 (per 20 ppb): Odds ratios: Males: Lag 0: 0.96 (0.88, 1.04) Females: Lag 0: 0.86 (0.78, 1.04)
Fung et al. (2003) Windsor, Ontario, Canada Apr 1995-Dec 2000	Cardiovascular hospital admissions for age <65 and ≥65 years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 39.3 ppb SD 21.4 Range 1-129	NO_2, SO_2, CO, PM_{10}, coefficient of haze, total reduced sulfur compounds	0, 0-1, 0-2	Conducted both time-series analysis using Poisson GLM with natural splines. Strongest effect observed for SO_2 in individuals aged ≥65 years. No associations were found any other pollutant, including O_3.	1-h max O_3 (per 29 ppb): Age <65 years: Lag 0: 0.999 (0.913, 1.093) Lag 0-2: 1.042 (0.923, 1.177) Age ≥65 years: Lag 0: 0.974 (0.924, 1.027) Lag 0-2: 1.014 (0.941, 1.092)

Table AX7-4 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Canada (cont'd)						
Luginaah et al. (2005) Windsor, Ontario, Canada Apr 1995-Dec 2000	Respiratory hospital admissions by gender for all ages and age 0-14, 15-64, and 65+ years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 39.3 ppb SD 21.4 Range 1-129	NO_2, SO_2, CO, PM_{10}, coefficient of haze, total reduced sulfur compounds	0, 0-1, 0-2	Conducted both time-series analysis using Poisson GLM with natural splines and bidirectional case-crossover analysis using conditional logistic regression models. For case-crossover analysis, control periods selected two weeks before and after the case period. Results were consistent for the time-series and case-crossover analyses. Significant associations were found for all pollutants except O_3 and total reduced sulfur compounds.	1-h max O_3 (per 29 ppb): All ages: Time-series analysis: Males: Lag 0: 1.04 (0.92, 1.17) Females: Lag 0: 0.95 (0.82, 1.10) Case-crossover analysis: Males: Lag 0: 1.06 (0.93, 1.22) Females: Lag 0: 1.01 (0.77, 1.34)
Lin et al. (2004) Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada 1987-1998	Asthma admissions for age 6-12 years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 28.02 ppb SD 11.54 IQR 14.81	CO, SO_2, NO_2	0, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3, 0-4, 0-5, 0-6	Poisson GAM with LOESS (using default convergence criteria). Repeated analysis with natural cubic splines using 1,000 iterations with convergence criteria 10^{-15}. Results were similar for both analyses. NO_2 exposure associated for males in low SES but not high. No association for CO and O_3 in either SES group.	1-h max O_3 (per 14.8 ppb): Males: Low SES: Lag 1: 0.85 (0.76, 0.94) High SES: Lag 1: 0.93 (0.83, 1.04) Females: Low SES: Lag 1: 1.11 (0.97, 1.28) High SES: Lag 1: 0.91 (0.78, 1.05)

Table AX7-4 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Canada (cont'd)						
Yang et al. (2003) Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada Jan 1986-Dec 1998	Daily respiratory admissions in children aged <3 years and adults aged 65+ years. Bidirectional case-crossover. Conditional logistic regression.	24-h avg O_3: 13.41 ppb SD 66.61 IQR 9.74	CO, NO_2, SO_2, coefficient of haze	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Used bidirectional case-crossover analysis, comparing air pollution on day of admission to levels one week prior and after. SES evaluated. O_3 was positively associated with respiratory hospital admissions among young children and the elderly.	24-h avg O_3 (per 9.74 ppb): Odds ratios: Age <3 years: Lag 4: 1.22 (1.15, 1.30) Age 65+ years: Lag 4: 1.13 (1.09, 1.18)
Europe						
Anderson et al. (1997) Five European cities: London, Paris, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Barcelona Study periods vary by city, ranging from 1977-1992	Emergency COPD admissions for all ages. Each city analyzed previously by individual teams. Results combined here via meta-analysis. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: Median range across five cities: All year: 36-77 µg/m^3 Warm season: 48-91 µg/m^3 Cool season: 20-64 µg/m^3	TSP, SO_2, NO_2, BS	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Poisson GLM using APHEA methodology. Results stratified by season. Ozone most consistent and significant predictor of admissions. Warm season effect larger.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 µg/m^3): Weighted mean effect across five cities (best lag selected for each city): All year: 1.03 (1.01, 1.05) Warm season: 1.03 (1.01, 1.05) Cool season: 1.01 (0.98, 1.05)
Atkinson et al. (2001) Eight European cities: Barcelona, Birmingham, London Milan, Netherlands, Paris, Rome, and Stockholm Study periods vary by city, ranging from early to middle 1990s	Total respiratory, asthma, and COPD admissions for all ages and age 0-14, 15-64 and 65+ years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: Mean range: 26.0 µg/m^3 (Rome) to 66.6 µg/m^3 (Stockholm)	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	N/A	Study focused on PM_{10} effects. Copollutants included only as effect modifiers. No direct O_3 results shown. Ozone appeared to modify the PM_{10} effect on respiratory admissions for persons over age 64 years of age.	No results presented for O_3.

Table AX7-4 (cont'd). Effects of O_3 on Daily Hospital Admissions

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Europe (cont'd)						
Le Tertre et al. (2002b) Eight European cities: Barcelona, Birmingham, London Milan, Netherlands, Paris, Rome, and Stockholm Study periods vary by city, ranging from early to middle 1990s	Total cardiovascular, ischemic heart disease, and stroke admissions for all ages and age 0-64 and 65+ years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: Mean range: 26.0 µg/m^3 (Rome) to 66.6 µg/m^3 (Stockholm)	PM_{10}, BS, NO_2, SO_2, CO	N/A	Main focus on PM_{10} and BS. Gaseous copollutants evaluated as effect modifiers. Greater PM_{10} effects seen in cities with lower annual O_3 levels. No risk estimates presented for O_3.	No results presented for O_3.
Wong et al. (2002) London, England 1992-1994 Hong Kong 1995-1997	Total respiratory (>64 years), asthma (15-64 years), total cardiovascular (all ages), and ischemic heart disease (all ages) admissions. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: London: All year: 34.9 µg/m^3 SD 23.1 Warm season: 45.3 µg/m^3 Cool season: 24.0 µg/m^3 Hong Kong: 33.5 µg/m^3 SD 23.0 Warm season: 32.0 µg/m^3 Cool season: 35.1 µg/m^3	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2	0, 1, 2, 3 0-1	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Most consistent associations found with total respiratory admissions. Ozone associated with total respiratory admissions in all year and warm season analyses in both cities. Associations in cool season analyses observed only in Hong Kong. All year O_3 effects robust to copollutants	8-h max O_3 (per 10 µg/m^3): Total respiratory: London: All year: Lag 0-1: 1.008 (1.002, 1.014) Warm season: Lag 0-1: 1.010 (1.003, 1.017) Cool season: Lag 0-1: 1.002 (0.993, 1.012) Hong Kong: All year: Lag 0-1: 1.008 (1.003,1.013) Warm season: Lag 0-1: 1.008 (1.002, 1.014) Cool season: Lag 0-1: 1.010 (1.002, 1.017)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Europe (cont'd)						
Anderson et al. (1998) London, England 1987-1992	Admissions for asthma in all ages and age 0-14, 15-64, and 65+ years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: 15.5 ppb IQR 13 1-h max O_3: 20.6 ppb IQR 16	SO_2, NO_2, BS, pollens	0, 1, 2, 0-1, 0-2	Poisson GLM using APHEA method; co-adjustment. Ozone significantly associated with asthma admissions in the warm season for all ages and for age 15-64 years. Warm season O_3 effect robust in 2-pollutant models. Inverse associations observed in the cool season for some age groups.	8-h max O_3 (per 10 ppb): All ages: Warm season: Lag 1: 1.022 (1.006, 1.038) Cool season: Lag 1: 0.968 (0.946, 0.992)
Atkinson et al. (1999b) London, England 1992-1994	Total and cause-specific respiratory and cardiovascular admissions in all ages and in all ages and age 0-14, 15-64, and 65+ years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: 17.5 ppb SD 11.5	NO_2, SO_2, CO, PM_{10}, BS	0, 1, 2, 3, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3	Poisson GLM using APHEA methodology. No significant associations seen between O_3 and respiratory admissions. Ozone was positively associated with total cardiovascular admissions in age 65+ years. Seasonal analyses were not conducted.	8-h max O_3 (per 25.7 ppb): All ages: Total respiratory: Lag 1: 1.012 (0.990, 1.035) Total cardiovascular: Lag 2: 1.023 (1.002, 1.046)
Ponce de Leon et al. (1996) London, England Apr 1987-Feb 1992	Total respiratory admissions in several age strata: all ages, 0-14, 15-64, 65+ years. Time-series study.	8-h avg O_3 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.): 15.6 ppb SD 12 IQR 14	BS, SO_2, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3,	Poisson GLM using APHEA co-adjustment methodology. Ozone significant predictor overall. Effect larger and more significant in warm season. Effect robust to copollutants. Effects varied by age.	All ages: All year: 8-h avg O_3 (per 26 ppb): Lag 1: 1.029 (1.011, 1.048) Warm season: 8-h avg O_3 (per 29 ppb): Lag 1: 1.048 (1.025, 1.073) Cool season: 8-h avg O_3 (per 20 ppb): Lag 1: 0.996 (0.972, 1.021)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Europe (cont'd)						
Poloniecki et al. (1997) London, England Apr 1987-Mar 1994	Cause-specific and total circulatory admissions for all ages. Time-series study.	8-h avg O_3 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.): Median 13 ppb Range 0-94	BS, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0	Poisson regression using APHEA methodology. No association was found between O_3 and circulatory diseases in all year analyses. Results from acute MI suggest potential seasonal effect.	8-h avg O_3 (per 25 ppb): Total circulatory: All year: 0.9726 (0.9436, 1.0046) Acute MI: All year: 0.9825 (0.9534, 1.0142) Warm season: 1.0126 (0.9560, 1.0228) Cool season: 0.9680 (0.9208, 1.0202)
Prescott et al. (1998) Edinburgh, Scotland 1992-1995	Total respiratory and cardiovascular admissions for age <65 years and 65+ years. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: 14.5 ppb Range 1-37	BS, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0, 1, 1-3	Poisson GLM, month dummy variables; co-adjustment. No O_3 or other pollution effects on respiratory admissions. Significant inverse association of O_3 with cardiac admissions in older age group. Very low O_3 concentrations.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): Respiratory: Age <65 years: Lag 1-3: 0.971 (0.885, 1.068) Age 65+ years: Lag 1-3: 1.009 (0.916, 1.111) Cardiovascular: Age <65 years: Lag 1-3: 1.041 (0.946, 1.144) Age 65+ years: Lag 1-3: 0.941 (0.886, 0.999)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Europe (cont'd)						
Schouten et al. (1996) Amsterdam and Rotterdam, the Netherlands 1977-1989	Unscheduled total respiratory, asthma, and COPD admissions in all ages. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: Amsterdam: Summer: 86 µg/m^3 5th % to 95th % 28-152 Winter: 53 µg/m^3 5th % to 95th % 3-104 Rotterdam: Summer: 81 µg/m^3 5th % to 95th % 25-199 Winter: 45 µg/m^3 5th % to 95th % 3-96	SO_2, NO_2, BS	0, 1, 2, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3, 0-4, 0-5	Poisson GLM using APHEA methodology; co-adjustment. No consistent O_3 effects. Concern regarding multiple comparisons.	1-h max O_3 (per 100 µg/m^3): Amsterdam and Rotterdam: Total respiratory, all ages: Summer: Lag 2: 1.051 (1.029, 1.073) Winter: Lag 2: 0.976 (0.951, 1.002)
Hagen et al. (2000) Drammen, Norway Nov 1994-Dec 1997	Total respiratory admissions for all ages. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: 44.48 µg/m^3 SD 18.40 IQR 26.29	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, benzene, toluene, formaldehyde	0	Poisson GAM with partial splines; co-adjustment. Single and multipollutant models evaluated. No O_3 effects. Ozone levels low and cycles may not have been adequately controlled.	24-h avg O_3 (per 26.29 µg/m^3): Lag 0: 0.964 (0.899-1.033)
Oftedal et al. (2003) Drammen, Norway 1995-2000	Admissions for respiratory disease. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3: 44.6 µg/m^3 SD 19.2 IQR 26.9	Benzene, formaldehyde, toluene, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2	0	Benzene had the strongest association.	24-h avg O_3 (per 26.9 µg/m^3): 0.996 (0.942, 1.053)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Europe (cont'd)						
Pönkä and Virtanen (1996) Helsinki, Finland 1987-1989	Asthma admissions for age 0-14 years and 15-64 years. Time-series study.	O_3 (index not specified): 22 μg/m^3	TSP, SO_2, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Poisson GLM using APHEA methodology. Reported significant O_3 effect for age 0-14 years, but also for control (digestive disease) conditions. Ozone levels very low.	Not quantitatively useful.
Ballester et al. (2001) Valencia, Spain 1994-1996	Emergency total cardiovascular admissions for all ages. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: 23 ppb Range 5-64	SO_2, NO_2, CO, BS	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Poisson GLM using APHEA methodology. Results stratified by season. No O_3 effects.	8-h max O_3 (per 5 ppb): Lag 2: 0.99 (0.97-1.01)
Latin America						
Gouveia and Fletcher (2000a) São Paulo, Brazil Nov 1992-Sep 1994	Total respiratory, pneumonia, and asthma admissions for age <5 years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 63.4 μg/m^3 SD 38.1 IQR 50.3	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0, 1, 2	Poisson GLM with co-adjustment using sine/cosine waves. Significant O_3 effects on total respiratory and pneumonia admissions. Ozone effects fairly robust to NO_2 and PM_{10}.	1-h max O_3 (per 119.6 μg/m^3): Total respiratory: Lag 0: 1.054 (1.003, 1.107) Pneumonia: Lag 0: 1.076 (1.014, 1.142) Asthma: Lag 2: 1.011 (0.899, 1.136)
Australia						
Morgan et al. (1998a) Sydney, Australia 1990-1994	Admissions for asthma (age 1-14 years, 15-64 years), COPD (age 65+ years), and heart disease (all ages, 0-64 years, 65+ years). Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 25 ppb SD 13 IQR 11	$B_{scatter}$, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 0-1, 0-2	Poisson with GEE. No significant effects of O_3 in single or multipollutant models.	1-h max O_3 (per 28 ppb): Asthma, age 1-14 years: Lag 1: 0.975 (0.932, 1.019) Asthma, age 15-64 years: Lag 0: 1.025 (0.975, 1.078) COPD, age 65+ years: Lag 0: 1.010 (0.960, 1.062) Heart disease, all ages: Lag 0: 1.012 (0.990, 1.035)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Australia (cont'd)						
Petroeschevsky et al. (2001) Brisbane, Australia 1987-1994	Unscheduled asthma, total respiratory and total cardiovascular admissions in several age strata: all ages, 0-4, 5-14, 15-64, 65+ years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 25.3 ppb Range 2.5-107.3 8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): 19.0 ppb Range 1.7-64.7	$B_{scatter}$, SO_2, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 3, 0-2, 0-4	Poisson GLM using APHEA co-adjustment methodology. Results stratified by season. Ozone significantly related to asthma and total respiratory admissions, not for cardiac admissions. Effects varied by age group. Ozone effects robust to copollutants.	8-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): All ages: Total respiratory: Lag 2: 1.023 (1.003, 1.043) Asthma: Lag 0-4: 1.090 (1.042, 1.141) Total cardiovascular: Lag 3: 0.987 (0.971, 1.002)
Asia						
Lee et al. (2002) Seoul, Korea Dec 1997-Dec 1999	Asthma admissions for age <15 years. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3: 36.0 ppb SD 18.6 IQR 21.7	SO_2, NO_2, CO, PM_{10}	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 0-1, 1-2, 2-3, 3-4	Poisson GAM using default convergence criteria. Ozone associated with asthma admissions in single- and two-pollutant models.	1-h max O_3 (per 21.7 ppb): O_3 only model: Lag 1: 1.12 (1.07-1.16) O_3 with PM_{10} model: Lag 1: 1.10 (1.05, 1.15)
Chang et al. (2005) Taipei, Taiwan 1997-2001	Total cardiovascular hospital admissions for all ages. Cool days (<20 °C) and warm days (≥20 °C) were evaluated. Case-crossover approach.	24-h avg O_3: 19.74 ppb IQR 10.87 Range 2.30-53.93	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2, CO	0-2	Conditional logistic regression. All cardiovascular admissions chosen because similar risks have been observed for major subcategories and combining counts provide greater power. Subtropical climate in Taipei. In the analysis of warm days only, all pollutants except SO_2 were associated with cardiovascular admissions. Ozone effect slightly diminished in two-pollutant model adjusting for PM_{10}.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10.87 ppb): Odds ratios: O_3 only models: Warm: 1.189 (1.154, 1.225) Cool: 1.073 (1.022, 1.127) O_3 with PM_{10} models: Warm: 1.066 (1.038, 1.094) Cool: 0.980 (0.924, 1.039)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Asia (cont'd)						
Yang et al. (2004a) Kaohsiung, Taiwan 1997-2000	Total cardiovascular hospital admissions for all ages. Cool days (<25 °C) and warm days (≥25 °C) were evaluated. Case-crossover approach.	24-h avg O_3: 25.02 ppb IQR 21.20 Range 1.25-83.00	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2, CO	0-2	Conditional logistic regression. All pollutants except SO_2 associated with cardiovascular admissions on warm days. On cool days, O_3 effect was diminished. Ozone effect was robust to adjustment to copollutants. Results from tropical city may restrict generalization to other locations.	24-h avg O_3 (per 21.20 ppb): Odds ratios: O_3 only models: Warm: 1.351 (1.279, 1.427) Cool: 1.057 (0.962, 1.162) O_3 with PM_{10} models: Warm: 1.308 (1.219, 1.404) Cool: 0.820 (0.732, 0.912)
Tsai et al. (2003a) Kaohsiung, Taiwan 1997-2000	Stroke admissions (subarachnoid hemorrhagic stroke, primary intracerebral hemorrhage, ischemic stroke, and others) for all ages. Cool days (<20 °C) and warm days (≥20 °C) were evaluated. Case-crossover approach.	24-h avg O_3: 25.02 ppb IQR 21.20 Range 1.25-83.00	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2, CO	0-2	Conditional logistic regression. Warm day associations were positive while cool days were generally negative with some positive associations. Ozone effect was robust to adjustment for SO_2 and CO, but not PM_{10}.	24-h avg O_3 (per 21.20 ppb): Odds ratios: O_3 only models: Primary intracerebral hemorrhage: Warm: 1.20 (1.06, 1.35) Cool: 0.57 (0.24, 1.34) Ischemic stroke: Warm: 1.15 (1.07, 1.23) Cool: 0.88 (0.50, 1.53) O_3 with PM_{10} models: Primary intracerebral hemorrhage: Warm: 0.98 (0.85, 1.14) Ischemic stroke: Warm: 0.96 (0.88, 1.05)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcomes and Design	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Examined	Method, Findings, Interpretation	Effects (Relative Risk and 95% CI)
Asia (cont'd)						
Wong et al. (1999a) Hong Kong 1994-1995	Total and cause-specific respiratory and cardiovascular admissions in several age strata: all ages, 0-4, 5-64, 65+ years. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3: 20.2 µg/m^3 Median 24.15 IQR 31.63	NO_2, SO_2, PM_{10}	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3, 0-4, 0-5	Poisson GLM using APHEA methodology. Ozone significantly associated with total and cause specific respiratory and cardiac outcomes. Ozone results robust to adjustment for high PM_{10}, but not high NO_2. Effects of O_3 persisted in cold season.	8-h max O_3 (per 10 µg/m^3): All ages: Total respiratory: Lag 0-3: 1.022 (1.015, 1.029) Total cardiovascular: Lag 0-5: 1.013 (1.005, 1.021)
Wong et al. (1999b) Hong Kong Jan 1995-Jun 1997	Cause-specific cardiovascular admissions for ≥65 years age. Time-series study.	8-h avg O_3: Warm season: 31.2 µg/m^3 Cool season: 34.8 µg/m^3	NO_2, SO_2, respirable PM	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3, 0-4, 0-5	GLM with sinusoids; co-adjustment. Ozone significantly associated with total and cause-specific cardiovascular admissions in cool season only, when O_3 levels are higher in Hong Kong. Details missing in brief report.	O_3 (per 50 µg/m^3): O_3 with NO_2 models: Total cardiovascular: All year: Lag 0-1: 1.03 (1.00, 1.07) Warm season: Lag 0-1: 1.01 (0.95, 1.07) Cool season: Lag 0-1: 1.08 (1.02, 1.14)

Table AX7-5. Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Meta-analysis						
Bell et al. (2005) Various U.S. and non-U.S. cities Varying study periods	All cause; cardiovascular; respiratory; all ages; age 64+ or 65+ years.	Not relevant.	Various PM indices	0, 1, 2, or 0-1	Meta-analysis. Bayesian hierarchical model; included up to 144 estimates from 39 studies. Risk estimates obtained for yearly data versus warm season; cause-specific; PM adjustment; U.S. versus non-U.S.;various lags; and GAM versus non-GAM. Comparisons with NMMAPS estimates (Bell et al., 2004).	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): Posterior means: All cause: All year: 0.87% (0.55, 1.18) Warm: 1.50% (0.72, 2.29) Cardiovascular: All year: 1.11% (0.68, 1.53) Warm: 2.45% (0.88, 4.10) Respiratory: All year: 0.47% (−0.51, 1.47) O_3 with PM model: All cause: All year: 0.97% (−0.03, 1.98) Meta-analysis results were consistently larger than those from NMMAPS. In addition, heterogeneity of city-specific estimates in the meta-analysis were larger compared to NMMAPS. These findings indicate possible publication bias.

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Meta-analysis (cont'd)						
Ito et al. (2005) Various U.S. and non-U.S. cities Varying study periods	All cause	Not relevant.	Various PM indices	Reported lags up to 3 day lags	Meta-analysis. DerSimonian-Laird approach; included up to 43 estimates from 38 studies. Risk estimates obtained for yearly data versus warm season; PM adjustment; correction for asymmetry in funnel plot; and GAM versus non-GAM. Seven U.S. cities time-series study with various sensitivity analyses.	24-h avg O_3 (per 20 ppb): O_3 only model: All year: 1.6% (1.1, 2.0) Warm: 3.5% (2.1, 4.9) O_3 with PM model: All year: 1.5% (0.8, 2.2) Non-GAM-affected: All year: 1.4% (0.8, 2.0) GAM-affected: All year: 1.9% (1.0, 2.8) Correction for funnel plot asymmetry: All year: 1.4% (0.9, 1.9) Seven U.S. cities analysis found that including PM in the model did not substantially reduce the O_3 risk estimates. However, differences in the weather adjustment model could result in a two-fold difference in risk estimates.

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Meta-analysis (cont'd)						
Levy et al. (2005) Various U.S., Canadian and European cities Varying study periods	All cause	Not relevant.	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, SO_2, NO_2, CO	0, 1-2	Meta-analysis. Empirical Bayes metaregression; included up to 48 estimates from 28 studies. Risk estimates obtained by season, for copollutant adjustment, North America versus Europe; various lags; temperature adjustment; GAM versus non-GAM; annual mean O_3; and total deaths. Examined relationship between O_3 personal exposure and ambient concentrations using cooling degree days and residential central air-conditioning prevalence.	1-h max O_3 (per 10 μg/m^3): O_3 only model: All year: 0.21% (0.16, 0.26) Warm: 0.43% (0.29, 0.56) Cool: −0.02 (−0.17, 0.14) Non-GAM-affected: All year: 0.23% (0.15, 0.31) GAM-affected: All year: 0.20% (0.13, 0.27) Nonlinear specification of temperature: All year: 0.20% (0.13, 0.27) Linear specification of temperature: All year: 0.06 (−0.03, 0.16) In the metaregression, air-conditioning prevalence and lag time were the strongest predictors of between-study variability.

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States						
Bell et al. (2004) 95 U.S. communities 1987-2000	All cause; cardiopulmonary; all ages; age <65 years; age 65-74 years; age ≥75 years	24-h avg O_3: 26 ppb across the 95 cities. No individual city data provided.	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$; two-pollutant models	0, 1, 2, 3, 0-6	Poisson GLM; Bayesian hierarchical model. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): Posterior means: All cause, all ages: All available data: Lag 0: 0.25% (0.12, 0.39) Lag 0-6: 0.52% (0.27, 0.77) Warm season: Lag 0: 0.22% (0.08, 0.38) Lag 0-6: 0.39% (0.13, 0.65) All cause, all available data: Age <65 years: Lag 0-6: 0.50% (0.10, 0.92) Age 65-74 years: Lag 0-6: 0.70% (0.28, 1.12) Age ≥75 year: Lag 0-6: 0.52% (0.18, 0.87) Cardiopulmonary, all ages: All available data: Lag 0-6: 0.64% (0.31, 0.98)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States (cont'd)						
Samet et al. (2000; reanalysis Dominici et al., 2003) 90 U.S. cities (80 U.S. cities with O_3 data) 1987-1994	All cause; cardiopulmonary	24-h avg O_3: Mean range: Approximately 12 ppb (Des Moines, IA) to 36 ppb (San Bernardino, CA)	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0, 1, 2	Poisson GAM, reanalyzed with stringent convergence criteria; Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): Posterior means: All cause: All available data: Lag 1: 0.19% (0.03, 0.35) Summer: Lag 1: 0.51% (0.23, 0.78) Winter: Lag 1: −0.53% (−1.10, 0.05)
Huang et al. (2005) 19 large U.S. cities Jun-Sept 1987-1994	Cardiopulmonary	24-h avg O_3: Mean range: Approximately 18 ppb (Oakland, CA) to 56 ppb (San Bernadino, CA) Daily range across 19 U.S. cities: 0-100 ppb	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$; two-pollutant models	0, 1, 2, 0-6	Poisson GLM; Bayesian hierarchical model. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): Posterior means: Single-day lag models: O_3 only model: Lag 0: 0.73% (0.27, 1.19) O_3 with PM_{10} model: Lag 0: 0.74% (−0.33, 1.72) Cumulative lag models: O_3 only model: Lag 0-6: 1.25% (0.47, 2.03) Model adjusted for heat waves: Lag 0-6: 1.11% (0.38, 1.86)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States (cont'd)						
Schwartz (2005) 14 U.S. cities 1986-1993	All cause	1-h max O_3: Median range: 35.1 ppb (Chicago, IL) to 60.0 ppb (Provo, UT)	PM_{10}; two-pollutant models	0	Case-crossover analysis; conditional logical regression controlled for temperature using nonlinear regression splines and matching	1-h max O_3 (10 ppb): Analysis with temperature regression splines: All year: 0.19% (0.03, 0.35) Warm season: 0.26% (0.07, 0.44) Cold season: 0% (−0.27, 0.27) Analysis with temperature matched controls: All year: 0.23% (0.01, 0.44) Warm season: 0.37% (0.11, 0.62) Cold season: −0.13% (−0.53, 0.28)
Kinney and Özkaynak (1991) Los Angeles County, CA 1970-1979	All cause; respiratory; circulatory	1-h max total oxidants (O_x): 75 ppb SD 45	KM (particle optical reflectance), NO_2, SO_2, CO; multipollutant models	1	OLS (ordinary least squares) on high-pass filtered variables. Time-series study.	All cause: Multipollutant model: Slope estimate: 0.030 deaths/ppb (SE 0.009), $p = 0.0005$ Cardiovascular: O_3 only model: Slope estimate: 0.023 deaths/ppb (SE 0.006), $p < 0.0001$
Kinney et al. (1995) Los Angeles County, CA 1985-1990	All cause	1-h max O_3: 70 ppb SD 41	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	1	Linear, log-linear, and Poisson. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 143 ppb): O_3 only model: 2% (0, 5) O_3 with PM_{10} model: 0% (−6, 6)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States (cont'd)						
Ostro (1995) San Bernardino County and Riverside County, CA 1980-1986	All cause	1-h max O_3: 140 ppb Range 20-370	$PM_{2.5}$	0	Autoregressive linear; Poisson. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 100 ppb): Warm season: 2.0% (0.0, 5.0)
Ostro (2000) Coachella Valley, CA 1989-1998	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular	1-h max O_3: Palm Springs: 67 ppb Range 0-190 Indio: 62 ppb Range 0-180	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10-2.5}$, NO_2, CO	0	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 40 ppb): All cause: −1% (−4, 3) Respiratory: 3% (−9, 16) Cardiovascular: −4% (−9, 1)
Fairley (1999; reanalysis Fairley, 2003) Santa Clara County, CA 1989-1996	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular	8-h max O_3: 29 ppb SD 15 24-h avg O_3: 16 ppb SD 9 O_3 ppb-hours >60 ppb: Levels not reported.	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10-2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, coefficient of haze, NO_3^-, NO_2, SO_2; two-pollutant models	0	Poisson GAM, reanalyzed with stringent convergence criteria; Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	GAM with stringent convergence criteria: All cause: 8-h max O_3 (per 33 ppb): 3.1% (−0.3, 6.6) O_3 ppb-hours >60 ppb (increment not reported): 3.8% (1.4, 6.3) Cardiovascular: 8-h max O_3 (per 33 ppb): 2.6% (−2.3, 7.8) O_3 ppb-hours >60 ppb (increment not reported): 4.3% (0.4, 8.3)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States (cont'd)						
Gamble (1998) Dallas, TX 1990-1994	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; cancer; other	24-h avg O_3: All year: 22 ppb Range 0-160 Summer: 30 ppb Range 0-160 Winter: 12 ppb Range 0-75	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	1-2	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	All year: 24-h avg O_3 (per 14.7 ppb): All cause: 2.7% (0.6, 4.8) Cardiovascular: 2.4% (−1.1, 6.0) Summer: 24-h avg O_3 (per 13.1 ppb): All cause: 3.5% ($p < 0.05$) Cardiovascular: 3.3% ($p > 0.05$) Winter: 24-h avg O_3 (per 7.7 ppb): All cause: 2.4% ($p > 0.05$) Cardiovascular: 1.5% ($p > 0.05$)
Dockery et al. (1992) St. Louis, MO and Eastern Tennessee 1985-1986	All cause	24-h avg O_3: St. Louis, MO: 22.5 ppb SD 18.5 Eastern Tennessee: 23.0 ppb SD 11.4	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, H^+, NO_2, SO_2	1	Poisson with GEE. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 20 μg/m^3): St. Louis, MO: 0.6% ($t = 0.38$) Eastern Tennessee: −1.3% ($t = -0.37$)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States (cont'd)						
Ito and Thurston (1996) Cook County, IL 1985-1990	All cause; respiratory; circulatory; cancer; race/gender subcategories	1-h max O_3: 38.1 ppb SD 19.9	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0-1	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 100 ppb): All cause: O_3 only model: 10% (6, 15) O_3 with PM_{10} model: 7% (1, 12) Circulatory (results given in graphic format): O_3 only model: 12% (6, 20)
Moolgavkar (2003) Cook County, IL and Los Angeles County, CA 1987-1995	All cause; cardiovascular	24-h avg O_3: Cook County: Median 18 ppb Range 0.2-67 Los Angeles County: Median 24 ppb Range 0.6-77	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 100 ppb): All cause, all year: Cook County: Lag 0: 1.4% (t = 6.3) Los Angeles County Lag 0: 0.4% (t = 2.3) All cause, summer: Cook County: Lag 0: 2.9% (t = 7.2) Los Angeles County Lag 0: 1.0% (t = 2.8) Cardiovascular, all year: Cook County: Lag 0: 1.8% (t = 5.5) Los Angeles County Lag 0: 0.2% (t = 0.9) Cardiovascular, summer: Cook County: Lag 0: 3.3% (t = 5.6) Los Angeles County Lag 0: 0.8% (t = 1.7)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States (cont'd)						
Moolgavkar (2000) Cook County, IL; Los Angeles County, CA; and Maricopa County, AZ 1987-1995	Cardiovascular; cerebrovascular; COPD	24-h avg O_3: Cook County: Median 18 ppb Range 0.2-67 Los Angeles County: Median 24 ppb Range 0.6-77 Maricopa County: Median 25 ppb Range 1-50	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two- and three-pollutant models	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 100 ppb): Cook County: Cardiovascular, all year: Lag 0: 1.51% (0.78, 2.24) COPD, all year: Lag 0: 1.53% (−0.49, 3.55) Los Angeles County and Maricopa County: O_3 results not presented. Noted as negative or small and insignificant in all year and warm season analyses.
Lippmann et al. (2000; reanalysis Ito, 2003) Detroit, MI 1985-1990 1992-1994	All cause; respiratory; circulatory; cause-specific	24-h avg O_3: 25 ppb Maximum 55	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10-2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, H^+, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0, 1, 2, 3, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3	Poisson GAM, reanalyzed with stringent convergence criteria; Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	GAM with stringent convergence criteria: All lags and outcomes during both study periods (n = 140): 24-h avg O_3 (per 5th to 95th % increment): Median 1.6% Range −1.8-2.6 1985-1990: 24-h avg O_3 (per 36 ppb): All cause: Lag 0: 1.08% (−1.08, 3.30) Circulatory: Lag 0: 1.84% (−1.26, 5.04) 1992-1994 24-h avg O_3 (per 28 ppb): All cause: Lag 0: 2.58% (−2.41, 7.82) Circulatory: Lag 0: 2.13% (−5.04, 9.85)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States (cont'd)						
Lipfert et al. (2000a) Seven counties in Philadelphia, PA area 1991-1995	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; all ages; age 65+ years; age <65 years; various subregional boundaries	1-h max O_3: 44.76 ppb SD 25.68 24-h avg O_3: 23.44 ppb SD 13.86	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10-2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, NO_3^-, other PM indices, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0-1	Linear with 19-day weighted average Shumway filters. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 45 ppb less background, not reported): All cause, all ages: O_3 only model: 3.19%, $p < 0.055$ O_3 with $PM_{2.5}$ model: 3.34%, $p < 0.055$ Cardiovascular, all ages: O_3 only model: 3.98%, $p < 0.055$ O_3 with $PM_{2.5}$ model: 5.35%, $p < 0.055$
Moolgavkar et al. (1995) Philadelphia, PA 1973-1988	All cause	24-h avg O_3: Spring: 25.9 ppb Range 2.9-74.0 Summer: 35.5 ppb Range 1.3-159.0 Fall: 16.2 ppb Range 0.2-63.8 Winter: 11.9 ppb Range 0.0-32.9	TSP, SO_2; multipollutant models	1	Poisson; GEE and nonparametric bootstrap methods. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 100 ppb): O_3 with TSP and SO_2 models: Spring: 2.0% (−6.7, 11.5) Summer: 14.9% (6.8, 23.6) Fall: −4.5% (−13.9, 5.9) Winter: 0.4% (−15.6, 19.4)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States (cont'd)						
Chock et al. (2000) Pittsburgh, PA 1989-1991	All cause; age <74 years; age 75+ years	1-h max O_3: Levels not reported.	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-, five-, and six-pollutant models	0	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 40 ppb): Age <74 years: O_3 only model: −1.5% (t = −0.68) O_3 with PM_{10} model: −2.0% (t = −0.93) Age 75+ years: O_3 only model: −1.8% (t = −0.82) O_3 with PM_{10} model: −2.2% (t = −0.98)
De Leon et al. (2003) New York City 1985-1994	Circulatory and cancer with and without contributing respiratory causes	24-h avg O_3: 21.59 ppb 5th %-95th % 7.00-44.97	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0 or 1	Poisson GAM with stringent convergence criteria; Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	Quantitative results not given. Circulatory deaths: Larger O_3 effect estimates with contributing respiratory causes than without (RR nonsignificant). Cancer deaths: Smaller O_3 effect estimates with contributing respiratory causes than without (RR nonsignificant).

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
United States (cont'd)						
Klemm and Mason (2000); Klemm et al. (2004) Atlanta, GA Aug 1998-July 2000	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; cancer; other; age <65 years; age 65+ years	8-h max O_3: 47.03 ppb SD 24.71	$PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10\text{-}2.5}$, EC, OC, NO_2, SO_4^{2-}, NO_3^-, SO_2, CO	0-1	Poisson GLM using quarterly, monthly, or biweekly knots for temporal smoothing. Time-series study.	All cause, age 65+ years: Quarterly knots: Slope estimate: 0.00079 (SE 0.00099), t = 0.80 Monthly knots: Slope estimate: 0.00136 (SE 0.00111), t = 1.22
Canada						
Vedal et al. (2003) Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada 1994-1996	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular	1-h max O_3: 27.3 ppb SD 10.2	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0, 1, 2	Poisson GAM with stringent convergence criteria. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 10.2 ppb): Summer: All cause: Lag 0: 4.0% (1.4, 6.7) Respiratory: Lag 0: 1.5% (−6.6, 9.6) Cardiovascular: Lag 0: 3.9% (−0.3, 8.0)
Villeneuve et al. (2003) Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada 1986-1999	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; cancer; socioeconomic status	24-h avg O_3: 13.4 µg/m^3 Range 0.6-38.6	$PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5\text{-}10}$, TSP, coefficient of haze, SO_4^{2-}, SO_2, NO_2, CO	0, 1, 0-2	Poisson GLM with natural splines. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 21.3 µg/m^3): All year: All cause: Lag 0: 1.4% (−0.9, 3.6) Respiratory: Lag 0: 1.6% (−4.5, 8.1) Cardiovascular: Lag 0: 0.7% (−2.7, 4.3) Cancer: Lag 0: 2.6% (−1.2, 6.5) No effect modification of O_3-mortality effects by socioeconomic status.

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Canada (cont'd)						
Goldberg et al. (2003) Montreal, Quebec, Canada 1984-1993	Congestive heart failure as underlying cause of death versus those classified as having congestive heart failure one year prior to death	24-h avg O_3: 29.0 µg/m^3 SD 17.1	$PM_{2.5}$, coefficient of haze, SO_4^{2-}, SO_2, NO_2, CO	0, 1, 0-2	Poisson GLM with natural splines. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 21.3 µg/m^3): Congestive heart failure as underlying cause of death: Lag 0-2: 4.54% (−5.64, 15.81) Having congestive heart failure one year prior to death: Lag 0-2: 2.34% (−1.78, 6.63)
Goldberg et al. (2001) Montreal, Quebec, Canada 1984-1993	All cause; cause-specific; all ages; age <65 years; age ≥65 years	24-h avg O_3: 29.0 µg/m^3 SD 17.1	$PM_{2.5}$, coefficient of haze, SO_2, NO_2, NO, CO	0, 1, 0-2	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 21.3 µg/m^3): All cause, all year: All ages: Lag 0-2: 2.26% (1.23, 3.29) Age <65 years: Lag 0-2: 0.18% (−1.79, 2.20) Age ≥65 years: Lag 0-2: 2.84% (1.66, 4.04) Cardiovascular, all year: All ages: Lag 0-2: 3.00% (1.44, 4.59) Age <65 years: Lag 0-2: 1.33% (−2.30, 5.09) Age ≥65 years: Lag 0-2: 3.33% (1.62, 5.08)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe						
Gryparis et al. (2004) 23 European cities Study periods vary by city, ranging from 1990-1997	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular	1-h max O_3: Median range: Summer: 44 ppb (Tel Aviv, Israel) to 117 ppb (Torino, Italy) Winter: 11 ppb (Milan, Italy) to 57 ppb (Athens, Greece) 8-h max O_3: Median range: Summer: 30 ppb (Rome, Italy) to 99 ppb (Torino, Italy) Winter: 8 ppb (Milan, Italy) to 49 ppb (Budapest, Hungary)	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0-1	Poisson GAM with stringent convergence criteria; Bayesian hierarchical model. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3 (per 10 μg/m^3): Weighted mean effect across 21 cities with 8-h max O_3 concentrations: Random effects model: All cause: All year: 0.03% (−0.18, 0.21) Summer: O_3 only model: 0.31% (0.17, 0.52) O_3 with PM_{10} model: 0.27% (0.08, 0.49) Winter: O_3 only model: 0.12% (−0.12, 0.37) O_3 with PM_{10} model: 0.22% (−0.08, 0.51) Respiratory: Summer: 1.13% (0.74, 0.51) Winter: 0.26% (−0.50, 0.84) Cardiovascular: Summer: 0.46% (0.22, 0.73) Winter: 0.07% (−0.28, 0.41)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe (cont'd)						
Touloumi et al. (1997) Four European cities: London, Paris Barcelona, Athens Study periods vary by city, ranging from 1986-1992	All cause	1-h max O_3: London: 41.2 µg/m^3 SD 26.0 Paris: 46.1 µg/m^3 SD 32.9 Barcelona: 72.4 µg/m^3 SD 34.9 Athens: 93.8 µg/m^3 SD 42.8	BS, NO_2; two-pollutant models	0, 1, 2, 3, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3	Poisson autoregressive. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (50 µg/m^3): Weighted mean effect across four cities (best lag selected for each city): Single-day lag, random effects models: O_3 only model: 2.9% (1.0, 4.9) O_3 with BS model: 2.8% (0.5, 5.0) Cumulative lag, fixed effects model: O_3 only model: 2.4% (1.2, 3.7)
Zmirou et al. (1998) Four European cities: London, Paris, Lyon, Barcelona Study periods vary by city, ranging from 1985-1992	Respiratory; cardiovascular	8-h avg O_3 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.): London: Cold: 21.0 µg/m^3 Warm: 40.8 µg/m^3 Paris: Cold: 11.5 µg/m^3 Warm: 42.7 µg/m^3 Lyon: Cold: 21.0 µg/m^3 Warm: 40.8 µg/m^3 Barcelona: Cold: 51.5 µg/m^3 Warm: 89.7 µg/m^3	BS, TSP, SO_2, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 3, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	8-h avg O_3 (per 50 µg/m^3): Weighted mean effect across four cities (best lag selected for each city): Random effects models: Respiratory: 5% (2, 8) Cardiovascular: 2% (0, 3)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe (cont'd)						
Anderson et al. (1996) London, England 1987-1992	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular	1-h max O_3: 20.6 ppb SD 13.2 8-h avg O_3 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.): 15.5 ppb SD 10.9	BS, NO_2, SO_2; two-pollutant models	0	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	All year: 8-h avg O_3 (per 26 ppb): All cause: 2.43% (1.11, 3.76) Respiratory: 6.03% (2.22, 9.99) Cardiovascular: 1.44% (−0.45, 3.36) Warm season: 8-h avg O_3 (per 29 ppb): All cause: 3.48% (1.73, 5.26) Respiratory: 5.41% (0.35, 10.73) Cardiovascular: 3.55% (1.04, 6.13) Cool season: 8-h avg O_3 (per 20 ppb): All cause: 0.77% (−0.88, 2.44) Respiratory: 6.20 (1.67, 10.94) Cardiovascular: −1.69% (−3.99, 0.68)
Bremner et al. (1999) London, England 1992-1994	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; all cancer; all others; all ages; age specific (0-64, 65+, 65-74, 75+ years)	1-h max O_3: 22.6 ppb SD 13.4 8-h max O_3: 17.5 ppb SD 11.5	BS, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	Selected best from 0, 1, 2, 3, (all cause); 0, 1, 2, 3, 0-1, 0-2, 0-3 (respiratory, cardiovascular)	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3 (per 26 ppb): All ages: All cause: Lag 2: −0.7% (−2.3, 0.9) Respiratory: Lag 2: −3.6% (−7.7, 0.8) Cardiovascular: Lag 2: 3.5% (0.5, 6.7)

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Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe (cont'd)						
Anderson et al. (2001) West Midlands region, England 1994-1996	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; all ages; age 0-14 years; age 15-64 years; age 65+ years	8-h max O_x: 24.0 ppb SD 13.8	PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{2.5-10}$, BS, SO_4^{2-}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0-1	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3 (per 30.8 ppb): All ages: All cause: 2.9% (−0.1, 6.0) Respiratory: 2.2% (−5.4, 10.4) Cardiovascular: 0.9% (−3.4, 5.4)
Prescott et al. (1998) Edinburgh, Scotland 1992-1995	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; all ages; age <65 years; age ≥65 years	24-h avg O_3: 14.5 ppb SD 2.3	BS, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): All cause, all ages: −4.2% (−8.1, −0.1) Cardiovascular, age ≥65 years: 2.2% (−5.1, 10.3)
Le Tertre et al. (2002a) Le Havre, Lyon, Paris, Rouen, Strasbourg, and Toulouse, France Study periods vary by city, ranging from 1990-1995	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular	8-h max O_3: Le Havre: 43.4 µg/m^3 Lyon: 52.0 µg/m^3 Paris: 26.0 µg/m^3 Rouen: 57.9 µg/m^3 Strasbourg: 37.0 µg/m^3 Toulouse: 68.0 µg/m^3	BS, NO_2, SO_2	0-1	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3 (per 50 µg/m^3): Six-city pooled estimates: All cause: 2.7% (1.3, 4.1) Respiratory: 0.8% (−4.8, 6.2) Cardiovascular: 2.4% (−0.3, 5.1)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe (cont'd)						
Dab et al. (1996) Paris, France 1987-1992	Respiratory	1-h max O_3: 43.9 µg/m^3 5th %-99th % 6.0-147.0 8-h max O_3: 27.7 µg/m^3 5th %-99th % 3-110	BS, PM_{13}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0	Poisson autoregressive. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 100 µg/m^3): 1.074 (0.934, 1.235) 8-h max O_3 (per 100 µg/m^3): 1.040 (0.934, 1.157)
Zmirou et al. (1996) Lyon, France 1985-1990	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; digestive	1-h max O_3: 15.23 µg/m^3 Range 0-152 8-h avg O_3 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.): 9.94 µg/m^3 Range 0-78.92	PM_{13}, SO_2, NO_2	Selected best from 0, 1, 2, 3	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	8-h avg O_3 (per 50 µg/m^3): All cause: Lag 0: 3% (−5, 12) Respiratory: Lag 1: 1% (−8, 10) Cardiovascular: Lag 1: 0% (−11, 12)
Sartor et al. (1995) Belgium Summer 1994	All cause; age <65 years; age 65+ years	24-h avg O_3: Geometric mean: During heat wave (42 day period): 72.4 µg/m^3 Range 34.5-111.5 Before heat wave (43 day period): 52.4 µg/m^3 Range 30.7-92.0 After heat wave (39 day period): 38.6 µg/m^3 Range 18.8-64.9	TSP, NO, NO_2, SO_2	0, 1, 2	Log-linear regression. Time-series study.	No individual regression coefficient for O_3 alone; interaction with temperature suggested. 24-h avg O_3 (from 18.8 to 111.5 µg/m^3) and temperature (from 10.0 to 27.5°C): Age <65 years: Lag 1: 16% increase in mortality (5.3% expected) Age 65+ years: Lag 1: 36.5% increase in mortality (4% expected)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe (cont'd)						
Hoek et al., (2000; reanalysis Hoek, 2003) The Netherlands: entire country, four urban areas 1986-1994	All cause; COPD; pneumonia; cardiovascular	8-h avg O_3 (12 p.m.-8 p.m.): Median: 47 µg/m^3 Range 1-226	PM_{10}, BS, SO_4^{2-}, NO_3^-, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	1, 0-6	Poisson GAM, reanalyzed with stringent convergence criteria; Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	GLM: All cause: 8-h avg O_3 (per 150 µg/m^3): Lag 1: 4.3% (2.4, 6.2) 8-h avg O_3 (per 120 µg/m^3): Lag 0-6: 5.9% (3.1, 8.7)
Hoek et al. (2001; reanalysis Hoek, 2003) The Netherlands 1986-1994	Total cardiovascular; myocardial infarction; arrhythmia; heart failure; cerebrovascular; thrombosis-related	8-h avg O_3 (12 p.m.-8 p.m.): Median: 47 µg/m^3 Range 1-226	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	1	Poisson GAM, reanalyzed with stringent convergence criteria; Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	8-h avg O_3 (per 150 µg/m^3): GLM: Total cardiovascular: 6.2% (3.3, 9.2) Myocardial infarction: 4.3% (0.1, 8.6) Arrhythmia: 11.4% (−1.2, 25.5) Heart failure: 10.2% (1.2, 19.9) Cerebrovascular: 9.1% (2.9, 15.7) Thrombosis-related: 16.6% (2.8, 32.2)
Roemer and van Wijinen (2001) Amsterdam, the Netherlands 1987-1998	All cause	8-h max O_3: Background sites: 43 µg/m^3 Maximum 221 Traffic sites: 36 µg/m^3 Maximum 213	BS, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	1, 2, 0-6	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria (only one smoother). Time-series study.	8-h max O_3 (per 100 µg/m^3): Total population using background sites: Lag 1: −0.3% (−4.1, 3.7) Total population using traffic sites: Lag 1: 0.2% (−3.6, 4.2)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe (cont'd)						
Verhoeff et al. (1996) Amsterdam, the Netherlands 1986-1992	All cause; all ages; age 65+ years	1-h max O_3: 43 µg/m^3 Maximum 301	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; multipollutant models	0, 1, 2	Poisson. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 100 µg/m^3) All ages: Lag 0: 1.8% (−3.8, 7.8) Lag 1: 0.1% (−4.7, 5.1) Lag 2: 4.9% (0.1, 10.0)
Peters et al. (2000b) NE Bavaria, Germany 1982-1994 Coal basin in Czech Republic 1993-1994	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; cancer	24-h avg O_3: Czech Republic: 40.3 µg/m^3 SD 25.0 Bavaria, Germany: 38.2 µg/m^3 SD 21.9	TSP, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0, 1, 2, 3	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 100 µg/m^3): Czech Republic: All cause: Lag 2: 7.8% (−1.8, 18.4) Bavaria, Germany: All cause: Lag 0: 8.2% (0.4, 16.7) Cardiovascular: Lag 0: 6.1% (−3.7, 17.0)
Pönkä et al. (1998) Helsinki, Finland 1987-1993	All cause; cardiovascular; age <65 years, age 65+ years	24-h avg O_3: Median 18 µg/m^3 5th %-95th % 3-51	TSP, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 20 µg/m^3): All cause, age <65 years: Not significant, values not reported. Cardiovascular, age <65 years: Lag 0: −2.0% (−9.5, 6.1) Lag 1: 6.2% (−2.2, 15.5)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe (cont'd)						
Saez et al. (2002) Barcelona, Spain 1991-1995 Madrid, Spain 1992-1995 Valenica, Spain 1994-1996	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular	8-h max O_3: Barcelona: 67.5 µg/m^3 SD 32.2 Madrid: 42.1 µg/m^3 SD 27.8 Valencia: 45.5 µg/m^3 SD 19.7	NO_2, PM, SO_2, CO; multipollutant models	0-5	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Time-series study.	8-h max O_3 (per 10 µg/m^3): Three-city pooled estimates: All cause: 0.23% (−0.15, 0.61) Respiratory: 0.29% (−0.05, 0.63) Cardiovascular: 0.60% (0.08, 1.13)
Garcia-Aymerich et al. (2000) Barcelona, Spain 1985-1989	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; general population; patients with COPD	1-h max O_3: Levels not reported.	BS, NO_2, SO_2,	Selected best single-day lag	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 µg/m^3): All cause: General population: Lag 5: 2.4% (0.6, 4.2) COPD patients: Lag 3: 4.0% (−4.7, 13.4) Respiratory: General population: Lag 5: 3.5% (−1.9, 9.2) COPD patients: Lag 3: 5.7% (−7.9, 21.4) Cardiovascular: General population: Lag 1: 2.9% (0.4, 5.4) COPD patients: Lag 3: 1.1% (−14.2, 19.2)
Saez et al. (1999) Barcelona, Spain 1986-1989	Asthma mortality; age 2-45 years	1-h max O_3: Levels not reported.	BS, NO_2, SO_2,	0-2	Poisson with GEE. Time-series study.	Slope estimate: 0.021 (SE 0.011), p = 0.054

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe (cont'd)						
Sunyer et al. (1996) Barcelona, Spain 1985–1991	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; all ages; age 70+ years	1-h max O_3: Summer: 86.5 µg/m^3 Range 9.5-283.5 Winter: 55.2 µg/m^3 Range 7-189.2	BS, SO_2, NO_2	Selected best single-day lag	Autoregressive Poisson. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 100 µg/m^3): All cause, all ages: All year: Lag 0: 4.8% (1.2, 8.6) Summer: Lag 0: 5.8% (1.7, 10.1) Winter: Lag 0: 2.6% (−3.5, 9.1) Respiratory, all ages: All year: Lag 5: 7.1% (−3.8, 19.2) Summer: Lag 5: 5.0% (−7.3, 18.8) Winter: Lag 5: 14.0% (−7.6, 40.6) Cardiovascular, all ages: All year: Lag 1: 5.8% (0.9, 11.1) Summer: Lag 1: 8.8% (2.8, 15.2) Winter: Lag 1: −0.8% (−8.9, 7.9)
Sunyer and Basagana (2001) Barcelona, Spain 1990-1995	Mortality in a cohort of patients with COPD	1-h max O_3: Mean not reported IQR 21 µg/m^3	PM_{10}, NO_2, CO	0-2	Conditional logistic (case-crossover)	1-h max O_3 (per 21 µg/m^3): Odds ratio: 0.979 (0.919, 1.065)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Europe (cont'd)						
Sunyer et al. (2002) Barcelona, Spain 1986-1995	All cause, respiratory, and cardiovascular mortality in a cohort of patients with severe asthma	1-h max O_3: Median 69.3 µg/m^3 Range 6.6-283.0 8-h max O_3: Median 54.4 µg/m^3 Range 3.9-244.5	PM_{10}, BS, SO_2, NO_2, CO, pollen	0-2	Conditional logistic (case-crossover)	1-h max O_3 (per 48 µg/m^3): Odds ratios: Patients with only one admission: All cause: 1.096 (0.820, 1.466) Cardiovascular: 1.397 (0.854, 2.285) Patients with more than one admission: All cause: 1.688 (0.978, 2.643) Cardiovascular: 1.331 (0.529, 3.344) Patients admitted for both asthma and COPD: All cause: 0.946 (0.674, 1.326) Cardiovascular: 0.985 (0.521, 1.861)
Díaz et al. (1999) Madrid, Spain 1990-1992	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular	24-h avg O_3: Levels not reported.	TSP, NO_2, SO_2, CO	1, 4, 10	Autoregressive linear. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 25 µg/m^3): For O_3 levels higher than 35 µg/m^3: All cause: Lag 4: 12% ($p < 0.01$) U-shaped (quadratic) O_3-mortality relationship with a minimum of 35 µg/m^3.

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Latin America						
Borja-Aburto et al. (1997) Mexico City 1990-1992	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; all ages; age <5 years; age >65 years	1-h max O_3: Median 155 ppb 8-h max O_3: Median 94 ppb 10-h avg O_3 (8 a.m.-6 p.m.): Median 87 ppb 24-h avg O_3: Median 54 ppb	TSP, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0, 1, 2	Poisson iteratively weighted and filtered least-squares method. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 100 ppb): All ages: O_3 only model: All cause: Lag 0: 2.4% (1.1, 3.9) Respiratory: Lag 0: 2.3% (−1.9, 6.7) Cardiovascular: Lag 0: 3.6% (0.6, 6.6) O_3 with TSP model: All cause: Lag 0: −1.8% (−10.0, 6.4) Respiratory: Lag 0: −1.9% (−11.0, 8.2) Cardiovascular: Lag 0: 2.4 (−4.4, 9.6)
Borja-Aburto et al. (1998) SW Mexico City 1993-1995	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; other; all ages; age >65 years	1-h max O_3: 163 ppb SD 57 24-h avg O_3: 44.0 ppb SD 15.7	$PM_{2.5}$, NO_2, SO_2; two-pollutant models	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1-2	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria (only one smoother). Time series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): All cause, all ages: Lag 1-2: 0.6% (−0.3, 1.5) All cause, age > 65 years: Lag 1-2: 0.8% (−0.4, 2.0) Respiratory, all ages: Lag 1-2: −0.7% (−3.6, 2.1) Cardiovascular, all ages: Lag 1-2: 1.8% (0.1, 3.5) Other noninjury, all ages: Lag 1-2: 0.3% (−0.9, 1.4)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Latin America (cont'd)						
O'Neill et al. (2004) Mexico City 1996-1998	All cause; all ages; age 65+ years; SES gradient	24-h avg O_3: 35.3 ppb SD 11.0	PM_{10}	0-1	Poisson GAM with stringent convergence criteria. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): All ages: 0.65% (0.02, 1.28) Age 65+ years: 1.39% (0.51, 2.28) SES gradient did not show any consistent pattern.
Téllez-Rojo et al. (2000) Mexico City 1994	Respiratory; COPD mortality; age 65+ years; within medical unit; outside of medical unit	1-h max O_3: 134.5 ppb SD 33.4	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1-3, 1-5, 1-7	Poisson, iteratively weighted and filtered least-squares method. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 40 ppb): Outside medical unit: Respiratory: Lag 1-5: 14.0% (4.1, 24.9) COPD mortality: Lag 1-5: 15.6% (4.0, 28.4)
Loomis et al. (1999) Mexico City 1993-1995	Infant mortality	24-h avg O_3: 44.1 ppb SD 15.7	$PM_{2.5}$, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 2-3	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Time-series study.	24-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): O_3 only model: 2.45% (−0.54, 5.43) O_3 with $PM_{2.5}$ model: 1.40% (−1.92, 4.72)
Gouveia and Fletcher (2000b) São Paulo, Brazil 1991-1993	All ages (all cause); age <5 years (all cause, respiratory, pneumonia); age 65+ years (all cause, respiratory, cardiovascular)	1-h max O_3: 67.9 μg/m^3 SD 42.1	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0, 1, 2	Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 106 μg/m^3): All ages: All cause: Lag 0: 0.8% (−1.1, 2.7) Age 65+ years: All cause: Lag 2: 2.3% (0, 4.6) Respiratory: Lag 2: 5.1% (−0.6, 11.1) Cardiovascular: Lag 0: 3.1% (−0.4, 6.7)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Latin America (cont'd)						
Pereira et al. (1998) São Paulo, Brazil 1991-1992	Intrauterine mortality	1-h max O_3: 67.5 µg/m^3 SD 45.0	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0	Poisson, linear with M-estimation. Time-series study.	Slope estimate: 0.0000 (SE 0.0004)
Saldiva et al. (1994) São Paulo, Brazil 1990-1991	Respiratory; age <5 years	24-h avg O_3: 12.14 ppb SD 9.94	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; multipollutant models	0-2	OLS of transformed data. Time-series study.	Slope estimate: 0.01048 deaths/day/ppb (SE 0.02481), p = 0.673
Saldiva et al. (1995) São Paulo, Brazil 1990-1991	All cause; age 65+ years	1-h max O_3: 38.3 ppb SD 29.7 24-h avg O_3: 12.5 ppb SD 11.5	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	0-1	OLS; Poisson with GEE. Time-series study.	Slope estimate: 1-h max O_3: 0.0280 deaths/day/ppb (SE 0.0213), p > 0.05 24-h avg O_3: 0.0093 deaths/day/ppb (SE 0.0813), p > 0.05
Cifuentes et al. (2000) Santiago, Chile 1988-1966	All cause	1-h max O_3: Summer: 108.2 ppb IQR 48.0	$PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10-2.5}$, CO, SO_2, NO_2	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria; Poisson GLM. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 per (108.2 ppb): GLM: Summer: O_3 only model: Lag 1-2: 0.3% (t = 0.3) Multipollutant model: Lag 1-2: −0.1% (t = −0.1)
Ostro et al. (1996) Santiago, Chile 1989-1991	All cause	1-h max O_3: 52.8 ppb Range 11-264	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2; two-pollutant models	1	OLS, several other methods. Time-series study.	All year: 1-h max O_3 (per 52.8 ppb): −3% (−4, −2) Summer: 1-h max O_3 (per 100 ppb): 4% (0, 9)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Australia						
Morgan et al. (1998b) Sydney, Australia 1989-1993	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular	1-h max O_3: 24 ppb SD 13	PM by nephelometer, NO_2; multipollutant models	0	Poisson with GEE. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 28 ppb): All cause: 2.04% (0.37, 3.73) Respiratory: −0.84% (−7.16, 5.91) Cardiovascular: 2.52% (−0.25, 5.38)
Simpson et al. (1997) Brisbane, Australia 1987-1993	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; all ages; age <65 years; age 65+ years	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): All year: 18.1 ppb Range 1.7-63.4 Summer: 20.2 ppb Range 2.7-63.4 Winter: 16.1 ppb Range 1.7-56.9	PM_{10}, PM by nephelometer, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0	Autoregressive Poisson with GEE. Time-series study.	8-h avg O_3 (per 10 ppb): All cause, all ages: All year: 2.4% (0.8, 4.0) Summer: 3.0% (1.0, 5.0) Winter: 1.3% (−1.4, 4.1)
Asia						
Kim et al. (2004) Seoul, Korea 1995-1999	All cause	1-h max O_3: All year: 35.16 ppb SD 18.31 Summer: 46.87 ppb SD 22.46 Winter: 21.26 ppb SD 6.92	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO; two-pollutant models	1	Poisson GAM with stringent convergence criteria (linear model); GLM with cubic natural spline; GLM with B-mode spline (threshold model). Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 21.5 ppb): All year: Linear model: 2.6% (1.7, 3.5) Threshold model: 3.4% (2.3, 4.4) Summer: Linear model: 1.9% (0.5, 3.3) Threshold model: 3.8% (2.0, 5.7)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Asia (cont'd)						
Lee et al. (1999) Seoul and Ulsan, Korea 1991-1995	All cause	1-h max O_3: Seoul: 32.4 ppb 10th %-90th % 14-55 Ulsan: 26.0 ppb 10th %-90th % 16-39	TSP, SO_2	0	Poisson with GEE. Time-series study.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): Seoul: 1.5% (0.5, 2.5) Ulsan: 2.0% (−11.1, 17.0)
Lee and Schwartz (1999) Seoul, Korea 1991-1995	All cause	1-h max O_3: Seoul: 32.4 ppb 10th %-90th % 14-55	TSP, SO_2	0	Conditional logistic regression. Case-crossover with bidirectional control sampling.	1-h max O_3 (per 50 ppb): Two controls, plus and minus one week: 1.5% (−1.2, 4.2) Four controls, plus and minus two weeks: 2.3% (−0.1, 4.8)
Kwon et al. (2001) Seoul, Korea 1994-1998	Mortality in a cohort of patients with congestive heart failure	1-h max O_3: 31.8 ppb IQR 20.5 Range 4.3-102.8	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0	Time-series analysis using Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria; case-crossover analysis using conditional logistic regression.	1-h max O_3 (per 20.5 ppb): Odds ratios from case-crossover study design: General population: 1.9% (1.0, 2.9) Congestive heart failure cohort: 5.1% (−3.6, 14.7)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Asia (cont'd)						
Hong et al. (2002) Seoul, Korea 1995-1998	Acute stroke mortality	8-h avg O_3: 22.6 ppb SD 12.4 IQR 9.3	PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, CO	0	Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria. Time-series study.	8-h avg O_3 (per 9.3 ppb): O_3 only model: 2.9% (0.3, 5.5) PM_{10} < median: 5.5% PM_{10} ≥ median: −2.5%
Tsai et al. (2003b) Kaohsiung, Taiwan 1994-2000	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; tropical area	24-h avg O_3: 23.6 ppb Range 1.2-83.0	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2, CO	0-2	Conditional logistic regression. Case-crossover analysis.	24-h avg O_3 (per 19.2 ppb): Odds ratios: All cause: 0.994 (0.995, 1.035) Respiratory: 0.996 (0.848, 1.169) Cardiovascular: 1.005 (0.919, 1.098)
Yang et al. (2004b) Taipei, Taiwan 1994-1998	All cause; respiratory; cardiovascular; subtropical area	24-h avg O_3: 17.18 ppb Range 2.3-43.47	PM_{10}, SO_2, NO_2, CO	0-2	Conditional logistic regression. Case-crossover analysis.	24-h avg O_3 (per 9.34 ppb): Odds ratios: All cause: 0.999 (0.972-1.026) Respiratory: 0.991 (0.897-1.094) Cardiovascular: 1.004 (0.952-1.058)

Table AX7-5 (cont'd). Effects of Acute O_3 Exposure on Mortality

Reference, Study Location and Period	Outcome Measure	Mean O_3 Levels	Copollutants Considered	Lag Structure Reported	Method/Design	Effect Estimates
Asia (cont'd)						
Hedley et al. (2002) Hong Kong 1985-1995 Intervention Jul 1990 (switch to low sulfur-content fuel)	All cause; cardiovascular; respiratory; neoplasms and other causes; all ages; age 15-64 years; age 65+ years	Average monthly O_3: Baseline: 18.5 µg/m^3 SD 7.5 1 year after intervention: 21.3 µg/m^3 SD 9.1 2-5 years after intervention: 22.1 µg/m^3 SD 10.2	SO_2 (main pollutant of interest, 45% reduction observed 5 years after intervention), PM_{10}, SO_4^{2-}, NO_2	Monthly averages considered without lags	Poisson regression of monthly averages to estimate changes in the increase in deaths from warm to cool season. Annual proportional change in death rate before and after the intervention was also examined.	Declines observed in all cause (2.1%, p = 0.001), respiratory (3.9%, p = 0.001), and cardiovascular (2.0%, p = 0.020) mortality after the intervention. Analysis not specific for O_3 effects. As O_3 levels did not change before and after the intervention, O_3 likely did not play a role in the decline in observed mortality.

Table AX7-6. Effects of Chronic O_3 Exposure on Respiratory Health

Reference, Study Location, and Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
United States			
Galizia and Kinney (1999; exposure data Kinney et al., 1998) U.S. nationwide 1995	1-h max O_3: 10-year mean Jun-Aug: 61.2 ppb SD 15.5 Range 13-185	Cross-sectional study of a nationwide sample of 520 young adults. Subjects were nonsmokers, aged 17-21 years, 50% males. Each subject provided one spirometric lung function measurement in the spring of their 1st year at Yale College in New Haven, CT, and completed a questionnaire addressing residential history, respiratory diseases, and activity patterns. Long-term O_3 exposure was treated as a high/low dichotomous variable, with subjects assigned to the high O_3 category if they lived for 4+ years in counties with 10-year summer mean O_3 levels greater than 80 ppb. Four lung function variables (FVC, FEV_1, FEF_{25-75}, FEF_{75}) were regressed on O_3 exposure, controlling for age, height, height squared, sex, race, parental education, and maternal smoking history. Respiratory symptom histories (cough, phlegm, wheeze apart from colds, and composite index for any of the three symptoms) were logistically regressed on O_3 exposure, controlling for sex, race, parental education, and maternal smoking.	Significant decrements in FEV_1 and FEF_{25-75} in relation to O_3 exposure were observed for all subjects and for males alone, but not for females alone. Similar patterns observed for FVC and FEF_{75}, but not with statistical significance. Percent difference in lung function for high versus low O_3 exposure groups: FEV_1: All subjects: −3.07% (−0.22, −5.92) Females: −0.26% (3.79, −4.31) Males: −4.71% (−0.66, −8.76) FEF_{25-75}: All subjects: −8.11% (−2.32, −13.90) Females: −1.96% (6.39, −10.30) Males: −13.02% (−4.87, −21.17) Wheeze and respiratory symptom index were significantly elevated for high O_3 exposure group. Odds ratios for symptoms: Wheeze: 1.97 (1.06, 3.66) Respiratory symptom index: 2.00 (1.15, 3.46)
Goss et al. (2004) U.S. nationwide 1999-2000	1-h max O_3: 51.0 ppb SD 7.3	Cohort study of 11,484 cystic fibrosis patients over the age of 6 years. Exposure to O_3, $PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, NO_2, SO_2, and CO assessed by linking Aerometric Information Retrieval System with patients' home zip code. Studied exacerbation and lung function. Mortality was also of interest, but study was underpowered to examine this outcome. Logistic regression models were used to analyze the exacerbations and multiple linear regression was used to study lung function. O_3 monitoring season and regional effects also were examined.	Ozone may increase the risk for pulmonary exacerbations in cystic fibrosis patients. Odds ratios for two or more exacerbations (per 10 ppb increase in 1-h max O_3): O_3 only model: 1.10 (1.03, 1.17) O_3 with $PM_{2.5}$ model: 1.08 (1.01, 1.15) $PM_{2.5}$, but not O_3, was significantly associated with declines in lung function in these patients.

Table AX7-6 (cont'd). Effects of Chronic O_3 Exposure on Respiratory Health

Reference, Study Location, and Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
United States (cont'd)			
Kinney and Lippmann (2000) Fort Sill, OK; Fort Leonard Wood, MO; Fort Dix, NJ; Fort Benning, GA; West Point, NY Apr-Sep 1990	1-h max O_3: Mean during 5-week summer training period: Fort Benning, GA: 55.6 ppb (0 hours O_3 >100 ppb) Fort Dix, NJ: 71.3 ppb (23 hours O_3 >100 ppb) Fort Leonard Wood, MO: 55.4 ppb (1 hours O_3 >100 ppb) Fort Sill, OK: 61.7 ppb (1 hours O_3 >100 ppb)	Prospective cohort study of 72 nonsmoking students (mean age 20.25 years) at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY were measured for lung function and respiratory symptoms before (Apr) and after (Aug-Sep) taking part in an intensive, largely outdoor, summer training over five weeks (Jul 11-Aug 15) at four U.S. military bases. Ozone levels in the Fort Dix, NJ area were consistently higher than at the three remaining three locations. Analysis assessed change in lung function and respiratory symptoms measured before and soon after the summer training, and examined whether adverse trends would be more pronounced in students exposed to higher O_3 levels during summer training.	Mean FEV_1 declined significantly over the two measurement points for all subjects combined, which may reflect combined effects of O_3 with exposures to dust, vehicle exhaust, and environmental tobacco smoke as reported by subjects from all four locations in the post-summer questionnaire. However, a larger mean decline was seen at the higher O_3 site, Fort Dix, than at the remaining three sites, suggesting an influence of O_3 exposures. A larger decline was observed in subjects with post-summer measurements in the 1st two weeks after returning from training compared to those measured in the 3rd and 4th weeks, which is consistent with the lung function effects being somewhat transient. Change in lung function over the summer: FEV_1: All locations: −44 mL (SE 21), p = 0.035 Fort Dix: −78 mL (SE 41), p = 0.07 Forts Sill, Leonard Wood, and Benning combined: −31 mL (SE 24), p = 0.21
Greer et al. (1993) California 1973-1987	Annual mean O_3: Levels not reported.	Prospective cohort study of 3,914 nonsmoking adults aged 25+ years at enrollment in 1977 completed questionnaires at two time points, 1977 and 1987. To be eligible, subjects had to have lived 10 or more years within 5 miles of current residence. Residential histories used to interpolate air pollution levels to zip centroids over a 20-year period (1966-1987). New asthma cases defined as answering yes to doctor diagnosed asthma at 1987 followup among those answering no at enrollment in 1977. Multiple logistic regression used to test for associations between new-onset asthma and long-term exposures to air pollution, controlling for age, education, pneumonia or bronchitis before age 16 years, and years worked with a smoker through 1987. All models stratified by gender.	There were 27 incident cases of asthma among 1,305 males and 51 incident cases among 2,272 females. In logistic regression analyses, long-term O_3 exposures were associated with increased risk of incident asthma among males but not females. Relative risks for incident cases of asthma (per 10 ppb increase in annual mean O_3): Males: 3.12 (1.61, 5.85) Females: 0.94 (0.65, 1.34)

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McDonnell et al. (1999) California 1973-1992	8-h avg O_3 (9 a.m.-5 p.m): 20-year mean: 46.5 ppb SD 15.3	This prospective cohort study continued the work of Greer et al. (1993). 3,091 nonsmoking adults completed questionnaires at one additional time point, 1992. Residential histories used to interpolate air pollution levels to zip centroids over the period 1973-1992, yielding annual mean exposure estimates for O_3, PM_{10}, SO_2, and NO_2. New asthma cases defined as answering yes to doctor diagnosed asthma at either 1987 or 1992. Multiple logistic regression used to test for associations between new-onset asthma and long-term exposures to air pollution, controlling for age, education, pneumonia or bronchitis before age 16, and ever smoking. All models run separately for males and females.	There were 32 incident cases of asthma among 972 males and 79 incident cases among 1,786 females. In logistic regression analyses, long-term O_3 exposures were associated with increased risk of incident asthma among males but not females. Other pollutants were neither associated with asthma incidence nor were confounders of the O_3 association in males. Relative risks for incident cases of asthma (per 27 ppb increase in annual mean 8-h avg O_3): Males: 2.09 (1.03, 4.16) Females: 0.86 (0.58, 1.26)
Peters et al. (1999a,b) 12 Southern California communities 1993-1994	1-h max O_3: Mean range: 1986-1990: 30.2 ppb (Santa Maria) to 109.2 ppb (San Dimas) 1994: 35.5 ppb (Santa Maria) to 97.5 ppb (Lake Gregory)	3,676 children aged 9-16 years enrolled into the 1st cohort of the Children's Health Study in 1993. Subjects provided questionnaire data on respiratory disease histories and symptoms. 3,293 subjects also underwent pulmonary function testing, of which 2,781 were used in air pollution regressions. Air pollution data for O_3, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, NO_2, and inorganic acid vapors analyzed from 1986-1990 and 1994. For cross-sectional analysis of respiratory diseases, individual pollutants were tested for associations with ever asthma, current asthma, bronchitis, cough, and wheeze after controlling for covariates. For analysis of lung function, individual pollutants and pairs of pollutants were regressed with FVC, FEV_1, FEF_{25-75}, and PEF, controlling for usual demographic and anthropometric covariates.	Acids and NO_2, but not O_3, were associated significantly with prevalence of wheeze. No associations of O_3 with any of the respiratory diseases or symptoms. Decreased lung function was associated with multiple pollutants among females but not males. For O_3 exposure in females, all four lung function variables declined with increasing exposure. Associations were stronger for current (1994) exposure compared to previous (1986-1990) exposure. In males who spent more time outdoors, FVC and FEV_1 declined significantly with higher current exposure to O_3. Change in lung function (per 40 ppb 1-h max O_3 from 1986-1990): Females: PEF: −187.2 mL/s (SE 50.1), $p < 0.005$ FEF_{25-75}: −102.2 mL/s (SE 28.8), $p < 0.01$ Males: PEF: 31.1 mL/s (SE 48.8), $p > 0.05$ FEF_{25-75}: 11.7 mL/s (SE 26.7), $p > 0.05$

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Gauderman et al. (2000; 2004a,b) 12 Southern California communities 1993-2001	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): Mean range: Approximately 28 ppb (Long Beach) to 65 ppb (Lake Arrowhead)	Analysis of longitudinal lung function change in relation to long-term air pollution levels in the Children's Health Study cohort. Children from 4th (n = 1,498), 7th (n = 802), and 10th (n = 735) grade enrolled in 1993. Children enrolled in 7th and 10th grade were followed until 1997; 4th graders were followed until 2001. Baseline questionnaires completed and annual pulmonary function tests (FVC, FEV_1, FEF_{25-75}, FEF_{75}) performed. Air pollution monitoring stations established in the 12 study communities beginning in 1994 to measure O_3, NO_2, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, and inorganic acid. Analysis using adjusted linear regression models.	In the 7th and 10th grade cohorts, difference in lung function growth from the least to the most polluted community was not associated with any of the air pollutants, including O_3. Among the 4th graders, decreased lung growth was associated with exposures to PM and NO_2, but not with O_3.
Gauderman et al. (2002) 12 Southern California communities 1996-1999	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): Mean range: Approximately 27 ppb (Long Beach) to 67 ppb (Lake Gregory)	Second cohort of the longitudinal cohort Children's Health Study. 2,081 4th graders (mean age 9.9 years) enrolled in 1996. Baseline questionnaires were completed and annual pulmonary function tests (FVC, FEV_1, FEF_{25-75}, FEF_{25-75}/FVC, PEF) were performed. 1,672 children had at least two pulmonary function test data. Air pollutants examined include O_3, NO_2, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, inorganic acid, elemental carbon, and organic carbon. Adjusted linear regression model was used.	In this cohort, a significant association between O_3 and PEF and FVC was noted in children spending more time outdoors. Percent difference in annual increases in lung function from least to most polluted community (per 36.6 ppb increase in annual mean 8-h avg O_3): PEF: All children: −1.21% (−2.06, −0.36) Children more outdoors: −1.62% (−2.93, −0.29) Children less outdoors: −0.87% (−2.09, 0.37)
McConnell et al. (1999) 12 Southern California communities 1993	1-h max O_3: Estimated annual daily mean: 65.5 ppb Range 35.5-97.5	First cohort of the Children's Health Study. Association of O_3 with prevalence of chronic lower respiratory tract symptoms among children with a history of asthma was examined in a cross-sectional study in 12 communities. Questionnaires were completed by parents of 3,676 4th, 7th, and 10th graders, of which 493 had asthma. Exposure data (O_3 NO_2, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, and inorganic acid vapors) collected in 1994 used to estimate exposure. Analysis using logistic regression method.	Children with asthma were much more likely to have bronchitis or related symptoms than children without such history. Among the asthmatic children, significant relationship were observed between phlegm and all pollutants studied, with the exception of O_3.

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McConnell et al. (2003) 12 Southern California communities 1996-1999	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): 4-year average across 12 communities: 47.2 ppb SD 11.3 Range 28.3-65.8 Range of yearly variability within the 12 communities: 5.3 ppb SD 3.2 Range 1.7-13.2	A total of 475 children with asthma from the1st and 2nd cohorts of the Children's Health Study were recruited to examine the relationship between bronchitic symptoms and air pollutants. Analysis involved three stages using logistic mixed effects models. Within-community variability in air pollution was assessed in the first stage; individual level time-independent confounders were assessed in the second stage; and the effects of 4-year average air pollutants were examined in the third stage. Other copollutants examined include NO_2, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10-2.5}$, inorganic acid, organic acid, EC, and OC.	Symptoms were generally associated with the various air pollutants. Within-community effects were greater than the between-community effects. Authors note that if the larger within-community effect estimates are correct, then other cross-sectional (between-community) studies may have underestimated the true effect of air pollution on respiratory symptoms in children. These differences may be attributable to confounding by poorly measured or unmeasured risk factors that vary between communities. Ozone effect estimates were markedly reduced in two-pollutant models (odds ratios not provided). Odds ratios for bronchitic symptoms (per ppb O_3): Within-community effects: 1.06 (1.00 -1.12) Between-community effects: 0.99 (0.98, 1.01)
McConnell et al. (2002) 12 Southern California communities 1993-1998	1-h max O_3: Four-year mean (1994-1997): Low pollution communities (n = 6): 50.1 ppb Range 37.7-67.9 High pollution communities (n = 6): 75.4 ppb Range 69.3-87.2	Prospective cohort study of 3,535 children (age 9-16 years) without a history of asthma recruited in 1993 and 1996, and followed with annual surveys through 1998 to determine incidence of new onset asthma. Participation in sports assessed at baseline. Copollutants included PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, NO_2, and inorganic acid vapors. Asthma incidence was examined as a function of number of sports played in high and low pollution communities, controlling for age, sex, and ethnic origin.	Asthma incidence was not higher in the high pollution communities as compared with the low pollution communities, regardless of the pollutant used to define high/low. In fact, the high O_3 communities had generally lower asthma incidence. However, in high O_3 communities, there was an increased risk of asthma in children playing three or more sports compared to those playing no sports; no such increase was observed in the low O_3 communities. No other pollutant showed this association. These results suggest that high levels of physical activity is associated with risk of new asthma development for children living in communities with high O_3 levels. Relative risk of developing asthma in children playing three or more sports compared to those playing no sports: Low pollution communities: 0.8 (0.4, 1.6) High pollution communities: 3.3 (1.9, 5.9)

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Avol et al. (2001) 12 Southern California communities and six western states Baseline 1994 Follow-up 1998	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): Mean range of baseline levels: 30.4 ppb for Santa Maria to 70.8 ppb for Lake Gregory Mean range of changes: 11.7 ppb increase to 27.0 ppb decrease in O_3 levels	110 children enrolled in Children's Health Study in 1993 and 1994 followed after moving to different western states. Age 10-11 years at time of enrollment). Follow-up pulmonary function testing carried out in 1998. Change in lung function over time tested in relation to change in exposures to PM_{10}, NO_2, and O_3.	Negative but nonsignificant associations were found between lung function parameters and changes in O_3. The relationship was strongest with PM_{10}. Subjects who moved to areas of lower PM_{10} showed greater increases in FEV1 compared subjects who moved to areas with higher PM_{10}. Change in lung function (per 10 ppb increase in changes in annual mean 8-h avg O_3): FEV_1: 0.1 mL (−8.7, 8.9) FVC: −1.4 mL (−10.8, 8.0) MMEF (maximal midexpiratory flow): −3.4 mL/s (−23.6, 16.8) PEF: −8.9 mL/s (−41.6, 23.8)
Ritz and Yu (1999) Southern California 1989-1993	Data not given.	125,573 births within 2 miles of an air monitoring station were examined to determine associations between CO and low birth weight. Copollutants included only as potential confounders.	Exposure to higher levels of ambient CO during the last trimester was associated with a significantly increased risk for low birth weight. Effects of CO appeared more pronounced after adjustment for concurrent exposures to NO_2, PM_{10}, and O_3. Ozone effect estimates were not reported.
Ritz et al. (2000) Southern California 1989-1993	8-h avg O_3 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.): Six weeks before birth: 36.9 ppb SD 19.4 Range 3.3-117 ppb	Data on 97,158 singleton births over period 1989-1993 linked to air monitoring data during different periods of pregnancy to determine associations between pollution exposures and preterm birth. Besides O_3, pollutants of interest included PM_{10}, NO_2, and CO. Multiple regression analysis used, controlling for maternal age, race, education, parity, and other factors.	Both PM_{10} and CO during early or late pregnancy were associated with increased risk for preterm birth. No associations observed with O_3.

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Ritz et al. (2002) Southern California 1987-1993	Data not given.	The effect of air pollution on the occurrence of birth defects was examined using a case-control study design. Analyses focused on CO and O_3. Six types of cardiac birth defects were investigated – aortic defects, defects of the atrium and atrium septum, endocardial and mitral valve defects, pulmonary artery and valve defects, conotruncal defects, and ventricular septal defects. A 1:10 case-control ratio was achieved for defect-specific analyses. Analyses were conducted using polytomous logistic regression. A two-stage hierarchical regression model was used to adjust for multiple comparisons.	Concentration-response patterns were observed for O_3 concentrations during the 2nd month of gestation on aortic artery and valve defects, pulmonary artery and valve anomalies, and conotruncal defects. CO during the 2nd gestational month was found to be associated with ventricular septal defects. The results were inconclusive for NO_2 and PM_{10}. Findings from this study suggest that there may a vulnerable window of development to human malformations. Odds ratios for birth defects (per 10 ppb O_3 during 2nd month of gestation): Aortic defects: 1.56 (1.16, 2.09) Pulmonary valve defects: 1.34 (0.96, 1.87) Conotruncal defects: 1.36 (0.91, 2.03)
Künzli et al. (1997); Tager et al. (1998) Los Angeles and San Francisco, CA; Berkeley, CA 1995	8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): Range of lifetime mean: Los Angeles: 25-74 ppb San Francisco: 16-33 ppb	A pilot cohort study of 130 freshman students (age 17-21 years) at the University of California at Berkeley measured for lung function and histories of residential locations and indoor/outdoor activity patterns and levels. By design, students had previously resided in one of two metropolitan areas that differed greatly in O_3 concentrations, San Francisco or Los Angeles. A key goal was to test whether measures of small airways function (e.g., nitrogen washout, FEF_{25-75}, FEF_{75}) were sensitive measures of long-term O_3 impacts. Lifetime exposures to O_3, PM_{10} and NO_2 assigned by interpolation to sequence of residence locations from available monitoring stations. Multiple exposure measures were derived with varying degrees of incorporation of time-activity information, going from ecological concentration to individual time-activity weighted exposure. Performed linear regression analysis of lung function on O_3 exposures, controlling for height, ethnicity, gender, and region.	Decreased FEF_{25-75} and FEF_{75} were associated with long-term O_3 exposures. Results were similar whether O_3 exposure was purely ecologic or incorporated time-activity information. FVC, FEV_1, and nitrogen washout were generally not associated with O_3 levels. No evidence for PM_{10} or NO_2 main effects or confounding of O_3. Similar patterns results using O_3 hours >60 ppb as exposure metric instead of daily 8-h avg O_3 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.). Surprisingly, region of residence was a major negative confounder as lung function was lower on average among students from the low O_3 city, San Francisco, than among those who had lived in Los Angeles. Ozone exposures were significant predictors only after controlling the regional effect. Change in lung function (per 20 ppb increase in lifetime mean 8-h avg O_3): FEF_{25-75}: –420 mL/s (–886, 46); 7.2% of population mean FEF_{75}: –334 mL/s (–657, –11); 14% decline of population mean

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Sherwin et al. (2000) Los Angeles, CA and Miami, FL 1995-1997	Levels not reported.	Lungs obtained from autopsies of young residents (age 11-30 years) of Miami (n = 20) and Los Angeles (n = 18) who died suddenly from homicide, vehicular accident, or other violence. Semiquantitative measurements of centriacinar region alterations were compared between the two cities.	A greater extent ($p < 0.02$) and severity ($p < 0.02$) of centriacinar region alterations were observed in lungs of the Los Angeles residents than the Miami residents. These differences could not be attributed to smoking history. The higher O_3 levels in Los Angeles might be responsible for the greater centriacinar region alterations, however correlations could not be performed due to the relatively small number of cases available.
Gong et al. (1998b) Glendora, CA 1977-1987	1-h max O_3: Annual means range (1983-1987): 109 ppb to 134 ppb	Longitudinal cohort study of 164 adults (mean age 45 years; 34% males) from a high O_3 community underwent lung function testing in 1986-1987 (T3). Subjects were recruited from a cohort of 208 nonsmoking adults who had been tested on two previous occasions: 1977-1978 (T1) and 1982-1983 (T2). Analyzed changes in lung function at three time points. Subjects were also asked to undergo controlled exposures to 0.40 ppm O_3 over 2 hours with intermittent exercise. 45 subjects agreed to participate. Investigators hypothesized that acutely responsive subjects would show more rapid declines in function over the study period.	Mean FVC and FEV_1 showed nonsignificant increase from T2 to T3, whereas an earlier analysis of the T1 to T2 change had found a significant decline in function (Detels et al., 1987). There was evidence for 'regression to the mean,' in that subject with larger declines in function from T1 to T2 tended to have larger increases in function from T2 to T3. A consistent decline in FEV_1/FVC ratio was observed at all three time points ($p < 0.0001$ by ANOVA). Acute changes in lung function, determined using controlled O_3 exposures, were not associated with chronic lung function changes.
Chen et al. (2002) Washoe County, NV 1991-1999	8-h max O_3: 27.23 ppb SD 10.62 Range 2.76-62.44	Birth weight for 36,305 single births analyzed in relation to mean PM_{10}, O_3, and CO levels in trimesters 1, 2, and 3.	PM_{10} was the only air pollutant associated with decreased birth weights. Ozone levels quite low throughout study.

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Kinney et al. (1996b) New York City 1992-1993	1-h max O_3: Summer (Jul-Sep 1992): 58 ppb Maximum 100 Winter (Jan-Mar 1992): 32 ppb Maximum 64 Summer (Jul-Sep 1993): 69 ppb Maximum 142	Study of 19 healthy adult joggers (age 23-38 years; 18 males) from the Governors Island U.S. Coast Guard facility in New York harbor underwent a series of two bronchoalveolar lavages, first in the summer of 1992 and then again in the winter of 1992. Because the summer of 1992 had lower than average O_3 levels, six subjects underwent a third bronchoalveolar lavage in the summer of 1993. Study tested whether inflammatory markers in bronchoalveolar lavage fluid were elevated during the summer O_3 season among adults who regularly exercised outdoors. Outcomes included cell differentials, release of interleukin-8 (IL-8) and tumor necrosis factor-alpha (TNF-α) in bronchoalveolar lavage cells supernatants, release of reactive oxygen species by macrophages, and concentrations of protein, lactate dehydrogenase, IL-8, fibronectin, a1-antitrypsin (a1-AT), complement fragments (C3a), and prostaglandin E_2 (PGE_2) in bronchoalveolar lavage fluids.	There was no evidence of acute inflammation in the summer of 1992 compared to the winter; i.e., neutrophil differentials, IL-8 and TNF-α showed no significant differences. However, a measure of cell damage, lactate dehydrogenase, was elevated in the summer, suggesting possible O_3-mediated damage to the lung epithelium with repeated exposures to O_3 while exercising. O_3 levels during the summer of 1992 were atypically low for New York City. Among six subjects who agreed to undergo a third bronchoalveolar lavage test in the summer of 1993, lactate dehydrogenase was again elevated compared to winter. In addition, IL-8 was elevated in the summer of 1993, suggesting acute inflammation.

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Charpin et al. (1999) Seven towns in SE France Jan-Feb 1993	8-h max O_3: Range of means: 30.2-52.1 µg/m^3 24-h avg O_3: Range of means: 20.1-42.1 µg/m^3	Cross-sectional cohort study of 2,073 children (age 10-11 years) from 7 towns tested for atopy based on skin prick testing (house dust mite, cat dander, grass pollen, cypress pollen, and *Alternaria*). Towns represented a range of ambient O_3 and other pollutant (NO_2 and SO_2) levels. Tested hypothesis that atopy is greater in towns with higher photochemical pollution levels. To be eligible, subjects must have resided in current town for at least 3 years. Authors stated that Jan to Feb pollution levels correlated with levels observed throughout the year, though no data was given to support this.	In this cross-sectional analysis, no differences in atopy levels were seen across the seven towns. Authors concluded that long-term exposures to oxidant pollution do not favor increased allergy to common allergens. The very low winter O_3 levels monitored and lack of long-term exposure data make it impossible to reach this conclusion in a definitive manner.
Ramadour et al. (2000) Seven towns in SE France Jan-Feb 1993	8-h max O_3: Range of means: 30.2-52.1 µg/m^3	Cross-sectional cohort study of 2,445 children (age 13-14 years) who had lived at their current residence for at least three years were recruited from schools in seven towns in SE France. This region has highest O_3 levels in France. Subjects completed ISAAC survey of asthma and respiratory symptoms. In addition to O_3 also collected data on SO_2 and NO_2. Analyzed relationships between asthma and other respiratory conditions with mean air pollution levels across the seven towns using logistic regression, controlling for family history of asthma, personal history of early-life respiratory diseases, and SES. Also did simple univariate linear regressions.	In logistic regressions, no significant associations seen between O_3 and 12-month history of wheezing, history of asthma attack, exercise induced asthma and/or dry cough in last 12 months. In simple bivariate scatterplots of respiratory outcomes versus mean O_3 levels in the seven towns, there appeared to be strong positive relationships ($r = 0.71$ for wheezing in last 12 months and $r = 0.96$ for asthma attacks). No data on slope estimates given. Concerns about potential confounding across towns limits the interpretation of this study.

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Ihorst et al. (2004) Nine communities in Lower Austria Apr 1994-Oct 1997 Six communities in Germany Feb 1996-Oct 1999	½-h avg O_3: Quartile ranges: Summer: 1st quartile: 22-30 ppb 2nd quartile: 30-38 ppb 3rd quartile: 38-46 ppb 4th quartile: 46-54 ppb Winter: 1st quartile: 4-12 ppb 2nd quartile: 12-20 ppb 3rd quartile: 20-28 ppb 4th quartile: 28-36 ppb	Longitudinal cohort study of 2,153 children (median age 7.6 years) were studied for the effects of semi-annual and 3½-year mean O_3 concentrations on FVC and FEV_1. As a measure of lung growth, the difference between two consecutive values for each child was divided by the number of days between tests. The effect of O_3 exposure on lung growth was analyzed by linear regression models, after adjusting for sex, age, height at start of the time period, and passive smoking exposure.	Higher semi-annual mean O_3 levels were associated with diminished lung function growth during the summer, but increased lung function growth in the winter. Change in lung function (4th quartile compared to 1st quartile semi-annual O_3 mean): Summer: FEV_1 (mL/100 days): −18.5 (−27.1, −9.8) FVC (mL/100 days): −19.2 (−27.8, −10.6) Winter: FEV_1 (mL/100 days): 10.9 (2.1, 19.7) FVC (mL/100 days): 16.4 (8.3, 24.6) No associations between longer term O_3 exposure (mean summer O_3 over a 3½-year period) and lung function growth was found.
Kopp et al. (2000) Ten communities in Austria and SW Germany Mar 1994-Nov 1995	½-h avg O_3: Stratified by low, medium, high exposure: Low: 24-33 ppb Medium: 35-38 ppb High: 44-52 ppb	Longitudinal cohort study of 797 children with a mean age of 8.2 years. Four pulmonary function tests (FVC, FEV_1) performed on each child over two summers. Examined association between average daily lung function growth and exposure to O_3, PM_{10}, NO_2, and SO_2. Analysis using linear regression models.	Lower FVC and FEV_1 increases were observed in children exposed to high ambient O_3 levels compared to those exposed to lower O_3 levels during the summer. During the winter, children in higher O_3 areas showed a slightly greater increase in FVC and FEV_1 than those in the low O_3 areas, which might reflect that children catch up in lung function deficits during the winter season. Change in lung function for high versus low O_3 exposure groups (per ppb O_3): FEV_1: Summer of 1994: −0.303 mL/day, p = 0.007 Winter of 1994/1995: 0.158 mL/day, p = 0.006 Summer of 1995: −0.322 mL/day, p = 0.001

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Frischer et al. (1999) Nine communities in Austria 1994-1996	24-h avg O_3: Summer: 34.8 ppb SD 8.7 Winter: 23.1 ppb SD 7.7	Longitudinal cohort study of communities from two counties chosen to represent a broad range of O_3 concentrations; a two-fold range in mean levels was observed. 1,150 children (mean age 7.8 years; 52% males) from grades 1 and 2 performed spirometry in spring and fall over three years (total of six measurements per child) to determine if seasonal exposure to O_3 would be associated with diminished lung function growth, especially over the summer seasons. Ozone levels were low during lung function testing periods. Participation rates were high. At baseline, respiratory histories were collected and subjects were tested for allergy by skin prick. Examined association between O_3 levels and change in lung function (FVC, FEV_1, and MEF_{50} [maximal expiratory flow at 50% of vital capacity]) over each season, controlling for baseline function, atopy, gender, site, environmental tobacco smoke exposure, season, and change in height. Other pollutants studied included PM_{10}, SO_2, and NO_2.	Seasonal mean O_3 exposures were associated with reductions in growth in all three lung function measures. Inconsistent results seen for other pollutants. Summer season lung function growth decrements per unit O_3 were larger when data restricted to children who spent whole summer in their community. No evidence for nonlinear O_3 effect. No confounding of O_3 effect by temperature, ETS, or acute respiratory illnesses. Change in lung function (per ppb O_3): FEV_1 (mL/day): All subjects: Summer: −0.029 (SE 0.005), $p < 0.001$ Winter: −0.024 (SE 0.006), $p < 0.001$ Restricted to subjects who stayed in community: Summer: −0.034 (SE 0.009), $p < 0.001$ FVC (mL/day): All subjects: Summer: −0.018 (SE 0.005), $p < 0.001$ Winter: −0.010 (SE 0.006), $p = 0.08$ Restricted to subjects who stayed in community: Summer: −0.033 (SE 0.007), $p < 0.001$
Frischer et al. (2001) Nine communities in Austria Sep-Oct 1997	½-h avg O_3: 30-day mean: 31.57 ppb IQR 20.61	A cross-sectional cohort study of 877 school children (mean age 11.2 years). Analyzed for urinary eosinophil protein as a marker of eosinophil activation determined from a single spot urine sample using linear regression models.	Log-transformed urinary eosinophil protein-X concentrations were found to be significantly associated with O_3 levels, after adjusting for gender, site, and atopy. Change in log urinary eosinophil protein-X (per ppb O_3): 0.007 µg/mmol creatinine (SE 0.02), $p < 0.001$

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Reference, Study Location, and Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
Europe (cont'd)			
Horak et al. (2002a,b) Eight communities in Austria 1994-1997	Seasonal mean O_3: Summer: 31.8 ppb Range 18.7-49.3 Winter: 19.8 ppb Range 12.7-35.9	This longitudinal cohort study continued the work of Frischer et al., 1999 by including one additional year of data, 1997. The major hypothesis considered PM_{10}. For this study, 80.6% of the 975 children (mean age 8.11 years) performed all six lung function tests. A total of 860 children were included in the GEE analysis. Multipollutant analysis for PM_{10}, SO_2, and NO_2.	Seasonal mean O_3 showed a negative effect on lung function growth, confirming the previous shorter study. Ozone effects were robust to inclusion of PM_{10} into the model. However, for FEV_1 in winter, the O_3 effect slightly diminished after including PM_{10}. Taking into account only children who stayed at home the whole summer period did not affect the results. Change in lung function (per ppb O_3): FEV_1 (mL/day): O_3 only models: Summer: −0.021, $p < 0.001$ Winter: −0.020, $p < 0.001$ O_3 with PM_{10} models: Summer: −0.020, $p < 0.001$ Winter: −0.012, $p = 0.04$
Palli et al. (2004) Florence, Italy 1993-1998	24-h avg O_3: Range of monthly means from 1993-1998: Approximately 25-125 ppb	Cohort study of 320 residents (age 35-64 years) in the metropolitan area of Florence enrolled in a study investigating the correlation between levels of DNA bulky adducts and cumulative O_3 exposure. One blood sample was collected for each subject. Various time windows of exposure were examined, ranging from 0-15 days to 0-90 days prior to the blood draw. Simple Spearman correlations between DNA adduct levels and different O_3 exposure time windows were calculated after stratifying by smoking history, area of residence, and population type (random sample or exposed workers).	Consistent relationships between O_3 exposure and DNA adduct levels were observed only among never smokers. Correlations were highest among never smokers who resided in the urban area and were not occupationally exposed to vehicle traffic pollution. Associations were significant up to a time window of 0-60 days prior to the blood draw in the subgroup of never smokers, with strongest relationships observed between 30-45 days prior.

Table AX7-6 (cont'd). Effects of Chronic O_3 Exposure on Respiratory Health

Reference, Study Location, and Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
Latin America			
Calderón-Garcidueñas et al. (1995) SW Mexico City Nov 1993 Manzanillo, Mexico Jan 1994	SW Mexico City (urban): 1-h avg O_3 >120 ppb: 4.4 hours/day Maximum 307 ppb Manzanillo, Pacific port (control): No detectable air pollutants.	Cross-sectional cohort study in which nasal lavage samples collected from 38 urban (mean age 12.2 years) and 28 control (mean age 11.7 years) children. Samples analyzed for polymorphonuclear leukocyte counts, expression of human complement receptor type 3 (CD11b) on nasal polymorphonuclear leukocytes, and nasal cytologies.	Nasal cytologies revealed that children from Mexico City had abnormal nasal mucosae, including mucosal atrophy, marked decreases in the numbers of ciliated-type cells and goblet cells, and squamous metaplasia. Exposed children had significantly higher nasal polymorphonuclear leukocyte counts ($p < 0.001$) and nasal CD11b expression ($p < 0.001$) compared to controls. However, the inflammatory response did not seem to correlate with the previous day's O_3 exposure in a dose-dependent manner, suggesting that there might be a competing inflammatory mechanism at the bronchoalveolar level. Overall, these results suggest that ambient O_3 produces an inflammatory response in chronically exposed children.
Calderón-Garcidueñas et al. (1997) SW Mexico City Sep-Nov 1995 Manzanillo, Mexico Jan 1995	SW Mexico City (urban): 1-h avg O_3 >120 ppb: 82 hours/month Maximum 286 ppb Manzanillo, Pacific port (control): No detectable air pollutants.	Longitudinal cohort study of 129 urban and 19 control children aged 6-12 years old with no history of smoking or environmental tobacco smoke exposure and no current medication use for atopy or asthma. Three nasal biopsies obtained at 4-week intervals and analyzed for DNA damage based on the presence of DNA fragments.	Urban children had significantly more DNA fragments than did control children ($p < 0.0001$). Percentage of damaged cells was 82.2% (SE 6.4) in urban children and 17.0% (SE 6.1) in control children. Among urban children, more upper respiratory symptoms and DNA damage was seen with increasing age. Older children spent more time outdoors and engaged in physical activities ($p < 0.001$). Urban children were exposed to a complex pollution mix, making it difficult to attribute effects to O_3 specifically. However, authors noted that O_3 was the pollutant with most exceedences of air quality standard.

Table AX7-6 (cont'd). Effects of Chronic O_3 Exposure on Respiratory Health

Reference, Study Location, and Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
Latin America (cont'd)			
Calderón-Garcidueñas et al. (1999) SW Mexico City May-June 1996 Manzanillo, Mexico May 1996	SW Mexico City (urban): 1-h avg O_3 >80 ppb: May: 161 hours/month Maximum 232 ppb June: 98 hours/month Maximum 261 ppb Manzanillo, Pacific port (control): Mean <10 ppb	Cross-sectional cohort study of 86 urban and 12 control children aged 6-13 years old with no history of smoking or environmental tobacco smoke exposure and no use of medication for atopy or asthma. Urban children stratified into five groups by school grade level (1st through 5th). Nasal epithelial biopsies obtained from inferior nasal turbinates, and analyzed for single strand DNA breaks and for 8-OHdG (8-hydroxy-2'-deoxyguanosine), a mutagenic lesion produced by G→T mutations. These outcomes relate to possible carcinogenic effects of air pollution exposures. Multiple air pollutants monitored in SW Mexico City within 3 miles of urban subject residences.	No respiratory symptoms reported by control children; urban children reported multiple nasal and lung symptoms, including cough and chest discomfort among 46% of urban children, with higher rates for 5th versus 1st graders. 8-OHdG was approximately 3-fold higher in biopsies from urban children ($p < 0.05$), however, no differences by school grade. Single strand DNA breaks were more common in urban versus control children, with an age-dependent increase in the urban children ($p < 0.05$). These results suggest that DNA damage is present in the nasal epithelial cells of children living in highly polluted SW Mexico City and may reflect enhanced risk of cancer later in life. Though O_3 represents an important component of the pollution mix, it is not possible to attribute effects solely to O_3.
Calderon-Garcíduenas et al. (2001) SW Mexico City and Veracruz, Mexico 1984-1999	SW Mexico City (urban): 1-h avg O_3 > 80 ppb: 4 hours/day Maximum 250 ppb Veracruz (control): In compliance for all air criteria pollutants.	Ultra structural nasal pathology in Mexico City children (n = 15) chronically exposed to O_3, PM, and other pollutants was compared to nasal pathology in children from a city with low pollutant levels (n = 11). All children were clinically healthy, aged 4-15 years. Statistical analyses performed using student's t-test and Fisher's exact test.	Unremarkable mucociliary epithelium in nasal biopsies of control children. The nasal mucosa in Mexico City children were fundamentally disordered. The mucociliary defense mechanisms no longer functioned optimally. Major findings included lack of cohesion between cells, epithelial shedding, necrotic cells, PMN epithelial infiltration, and short or absent cilia.
Calderón-Garcidueñas et al. (2003) SW Mexico City and two control cities, Tuxpam and Tlaxcala, Mexico Jul 1999-Jul 2000	12-h avg O_3 (8 a.m.-8 p.m.): SW Mexico City: Jan-Jun 1999: 84.3 ppb Jul-Dec 1999: 60.9 ppb Jan-Jun 2000: 76.8 ppb	174 urban and 27 control children aged 5-17years examined for respiratory damage from chronic exposure to air pollutants. Outcomes included nasal abnormalities, interstitial lung markings assessed by chest X-ray, lung function, and serum cytokines. This cohort study combined cross-sectional (radiology and hematological findings) and longitudinal (spirometry) designs. Also examined PM_{10} effects on respiratory damage.	Mexico City children exhibited nasal abnormalities (22%), hyperinflation (67%), interstitial markings (49%), and a mild restrictive pattern by spirometry (10%). In children with increased interstitial markings, FEF_{75} values were significantly declined ($r = 0.42$, $p < 0.003$). Mexico City children also had more serum IL-10 and IL-6, and less serum IL-8 than controls. No significant abnormalities were observed in the control children. These results suggest chronic lung effects of O_3 and related copollutants at the high levels experienced in Mexico City.

Table AX7-6 (cont'd). Effects of Chronic O_3 Exposure on Respiratory Health

Reference, Study Location, and Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
Latin America (cont'd)			
Fortoul et al. (2003) Mexico City May 1997	9-h avg O_3 (9 a.m.-6 p.m.): South: 121 ppb North: 89 ppb	Cross-sectional cohort study estimated DNA strand breaks on nasal epithelial cells and leucocytes sampled from asthmatic (n = 15) and nonasthmatic (n = 224) medical students aged 18-28 years using a single-cell gel electrophoresis assay.	Greater genotoxic damage in asthmatics' nasal epithelial cells ($p < 0.05$) may reflect their higher vulnerability for DNA damage, or a decreased ability to repair it, compared with nonasthmatic subjects.
Gouveia et al. (2004) São Paulo, Brazil 1997	1-h max O_3: 63.0 ppb SD 33.5	Birth weight for 179,460 single births analyzed in relation to PM_{10}, SO_2, CO, NO_2, and O_3 levels in trimester 1, 2, and 3. GAM and logistic regression models used for analysis.	Exposures to PM_{10} and CO during 1st trimester were found to have significant negative associations with birth weight. No associations observed for the other air pollutants, including O_3.
Asia			
Ha et al. (2001) Seoul, Korea 1996-1997	8-h avg O_3: 1st trimester: Median 22.4 ppb IQR 13.6 3rd trimester: Median 23.3 ppb IQR 16.1	Examined association between air pollution exposure during pregnancy and low birth weight among all full-term births for a two-year period. These associations were evaluated after adjusting for gestational age, maternal age, parental educational level, parity, and infant sex. Analysis using GAM with default convergence criteria.	Exposures during the 1st and 3rd trimesters were initially examined separately. For the 1st trimester exposure estimates, positive associations with risk of low birth weight were observed for CO, NO_2, SO_2, and TSP, but not O_3. For the 3rd trimester exposure estimates, a positive association was observed for O_3, but not the other pollutants. When exposures from both trimesters were examined simultaneously, the risk of low birth weight remained positive for CO, NO_2, SO_2, and TSP during the 1st trimester. However for O_3, the positive association with 3rd trimester exposure was diminished. These results suggest that exposures to CO, NO_2, SO_2, and TSP in the 1st trimester may be risk factors for low birth weight. Relative risk of low birth weight (per 13.6 ppb 8-h avg O_3 for 1st trimester; per 16.1 ppb 8-h avg O_3 for 3rd trimester): Stratified analyses by trimester: 1st trimester: 0.92 (0.88, 0.96) 3rd trimester: 1.09 (1.04, 1.14) Combined analyses of both trimesters: 1st trimester: 0.96 (0.87, 1.07) 3rd trimester: 1.06 (0.94, 1.18)

Table AX7-6 (cont'd). Effects of Chronic O_3 Exposure on Respiratory Health

Reference, Study Location, and Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
Asia (cont'd)			
Kuo et al. (2002) Central Taiwan 1996	1-h max O_3: Annual mean range across 7 of 8 schools: 18.6-27.3 ppb	Cross-sectional study. Respiratory questionnaire administered to 12,926 children aged 13-16 years at eight junior high schools in central Taiwan, to determine asthma prevalence. The association between asthma prevalence and air pollution exposure analyzed by simple Pearson correlations of prevalence with annual mean air pollution levels (O_3, SO_2, PM_{10}, and NO_2), and by multiple logistic regression. The 775 asthmatics who were identified then provided follow-up data on symptoms and exacerbations over a one-year period. Simple Pearson correlations were computed between monthly hospital admissions and air pollution levels, not controlling for covariates such as season or weather.	Asthma prevalence ranged from 5.5% to 14.5% across the 8 schools. Based on simple Pearson's correlations, mean O_3 ($r = 0.51$) and NO_2 ($r = 0.63$) levels were correlated with variations in asthma prevalence. However, only NO_2 remained significant in multiple logistic regression analyses after adjusting for various potential confounding factors. Longitudinal hospital admissions results are inconclusive due to analytical limitations. Monthly correlations of hospital admissions for asthmatics yielded variable results, all of which would be confounded by temporal factors.

Table AX7-7. Effects of Chronic O_3 Exposure on Mortality and Incidence of Cancer

Reference, Location, Study Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
United States			
Pope et al. (2002) U.S. nationwide 1982-1998	1-h max O_3: 59.7 ppb SD 12.8 24-h avg O_3: 45.5 ppb SD 7.3	Prospective cohort study of approximately 500,000 members of American Cancer Society cohort enrolled in 1982 and followed through 1998 for all cause, cardiopulmonary, lung cancer, and all other cause mortality. Age at enrollment was 30+ years. Air pollution concentrations in urban area of residence at time of enrollment assessed from 1982 through 1998. Other pollutants considered include TSP, PM_{15} , PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{15\text{-}2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, SO_2, NO_2, and CO.	No significant effect of O_3 on mortality risk, though the association of Jul-Sep O_3 concentrations with all cause and cardiopulmonary mortality were positive and nearly significant. Residential location was known only at enrollment to study in 1982. Thus, exposure misclassification is likely to be high.
Lipfert et al. (2000b; 2003) 32 Veterans Administration hospitals nationwide in the U.S. 1976-1996	95th % O_3: 1960-1974: 132 ppb 1975-1981: 140 ppb 1982-1988: 94 ppb 1989-1996: 85 ppb	Cohort study of approximately 50,000 U.S. veterans (all males) diagnosed with hypertension. Mean age at recruitment was 51 years. Exposure to O_3 during four periods (1960-1974, 1975-1981, 1982-1988, 1989-1996) associated with mortality over three periods (1976-1981, 1982-1988, 1989-1996). Long-term exposures to TSP, PM_{15} , PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{15\text{-}2.5}$, SO_4^{2-}, NO_2, and CO also analyzed. Used Cox proportional hazards regression, adjusting for race, smoking, age, systolic and diastolic blood pressure, body mass index, and socioeconomic factors.	Positive average concurrent responses for TSP, SO_4^{2-}, NO_2, O_3 in individual period analyses, but only O_3 was significant for overall. Two-pollutants analyses indicate that responses to peak O_3 are robust. Relative risks (per mean 95th % O_3 less estimated background level, value not reported): Averaged over all four periods: Exposure concurrent with mortality: O_3 only model: 9.4% (SE 4.6), $p < 0.05$ O_3 with NO_2 model: 12.2%, $p < 0.05$ Exposure before mortality: O_3 only model: −0.2% (SE 6.3) $p > 0.05$ Analyses were robust to the deletion of diastolic blood pressure in the models, indicating that the association between mortality and O_3 was not mediated through blood pressure.

Table AX7-7 (cont'd). Effects of Chronic O_3 Exposure on Mortality and Incidence of Cancer

Reference, Location, Study Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
United States (cont'd)			
Abbey et al. (1999) Three California air basins: San Francisco, South Coast (Los Angeles and eastward), San Diego 1977-1992	24-h avg O_3: 26.11 ppb SD 7.65 IQR 12.0 O_3 h/year >100 ppb: 330 h/year SD 295 IQR 551	Prospective cohort study of 6,338 nonsmoking non-Hispanic white adult members of the Adventist Health Study followed for all cause, cardiopulmonary, nonmalignant respiratory, and lung cancer mortality. Participants were aged 27-95 years at enrollment in 1977. 1,628 (989 females, 639 males) mortality events followed through 1992. All results were stratified by gender. Used Cox proportional hazards analysis, adjusting for age at enrollment, past smoking, environmental tobacco smoke exposure, alcohol use, education, occupation, and body mass index. Analyzed mortality from all natural causes, cardiopulmonary, nonmalignant respiratory, and lung cancer. Ozone results were presented for both metrics.	Of 16 regressions involving O_3 exposures (two genders; four mortality causes; two O_3 metrics), 11 were positive and one was statistically significant, for lung cancer in males for O_3 h/year >100 ppb. Relative risks for lung cancer mortality in males: 24-h avg O_3 (per 12.0 ppb): 2.10 (0.99, 4.44) O_3 h/year >100 ppb (per 551 hours/year): 4.19 (1.81, 9.69) Inconsistency across outcomes and genders raises possibility of spurious finding. The lack of cardiopulmonary effects raises plausibility concerns.
Beeson et al. (1998) Three California air basins: San Francisco, South Coast (Los Angeles and eastward), San Diego 1977-1992	Annual mean O_3: 26.2 ppb SD 7.7 O_3 h/year >100 ppb: 333 h/year SD 297	Prospective cohort study of 6,338 nonsmoking non-Hispanic white adult members of the Adventist Health Study aged 27-95 years at time of enrollment. 36 (20 females, 16 males) histologically confirmed lung cancers were diagnosed through 1992. Extensive exposure assessment, with assignment of individual long-term exposures to O_3, PM_{10}, SO_4^{2-}, and SO_2, was a unique strength of this study. All results were stratified by gender. Used Cox proportional hazards analysis, adjusting for age at enrollment, past smoking, education, and alcohol use.	Males, but not females, showed moderate association for O_3 and incident lung cancer risk. Relative risks for lung cancer incident in males: O_3 h/year >100 ppb (per 556 hours/year): All males: 3.56 (1.35, 9.42) Never smokers: 4.48 (1.25, 16.04) Past smokers: 2.15 (0.42, 10.89)

Table AX7-7 (cont'd). Effects of Chronic O_3 Exposure on Mortality and Incidence of Cancer

Reference, Location, Study Period	Mean O_3 Levels	Study Description	Results and Comments
Latin America			
Pereira et al. (2005) São Paulo, Brazil Exposure period 1981-1990 Case period 1997	Mean avg of days/year when O_3 levels exceeded air quality standards (units not provided): Lapa: 40.2 Moema: 19.6 Moóca: 67.1 Sé: 28.2	Annual records on larynx and lung cancer diseases obtained from the São Paulo Cancer Registry. The correlation between average air pollution data from 1981 to 1990 and cases of larynx and lung cancer from 1997 were assessed using Pearson correlation coefficients. Other pollutants examined included PM_{10}, NO_2, NO_x, SO_2, and CO.	Results from this ecologic study provide limited evaluation of the relationship between air pollution and cancer. There was a significant difference in the incidence of larynx and lung cancer among the São Paulo city districts. Of all the pollutants examined O_3 was best correlated with cases of larynx and lung cancer. Pearson correlation coefficient: Larynx cancer: 0.9929 ($p = 0.007$) Lung cancer: 0.7234 ($p = 0.277$)

AX7-2. Description of Summary Density Curves

Introduction

The summary density was used in various figures in Chapter 7. It is important that the reader not confuse a summary density with an error density which was also used in Chapter 7 figures. This section will explain the relationship between these two densities, past use of similar densities, the theory behind this density, and explain how to interpret the graph of the summary density.

In explaining the formula for the summary density and the interpretation of it, the discussion will explain the need for it and its construction. First, the preliminaries will be discussed. The statistically experienced reader can skip that portion except to read the 'error density' definition.

The summary density has been used before (Flachaire and Nuñez, 2002). There, summary density was weighted by the population size, and was used in an economic context to estimate income distributions. A meta-analytic method for use in the presence of non-normal distributions of effects with varying precision has been developed (Burr and Doss, 2005). This was used in an analysis of effects from multiple studies concerning the association of the Platelet P1A polymorphism of Glycoprotein IIIa and risk of coronary heart disease. A related density estimate, the kernel density estimate, has also been used in a publication (Kochi et al., 2003) referenced in a White Paper (Dockins et al., 2004) presentation to the U.S. EPA Science Advisory Board – Environmental Economics Advisory Board.

Preliminaries

The **error density** is the curve describing the distribution of uncertainty about the mean (or posterior mean) or slope estimate. For a normal density, this is sometimes referred to as the "bell-shaped curve." With a two-sided test, the area under the curve and to the left of the no-effect value for a positive (or right of the value for negative) estimate is less than 2.5% when the effect estimate is statistically significant.

The log odds and the log relative risk estimates are usually considered to have a normal distribution when the estimate is based on a large number of observations. Many times when the health effect is a continuous variable, the estimate (or a transformation of it) is assumed to have a normal distribution.

The two-sided confidence limits for a health effect estimates are based on the error density of the estimate. The confidence limits include 95% of the area under the error density with equal portions of area outside the limits.

In displaying confidence limits for the same estimate obtained under different conditions (relative risk for different cities or studies), the **stick diagram** is often used (for an example, see Figure 7-1). The length of the line (stick) represents the confidence limit with the mean at the midpoint of this line. When the confidence limits are for relative risks or odds ratios, the mean estimates may not be at the midpoint because their distributions are skewed. The stick diagram displays the confidence limits side-by-side.

What is Summary Density?

The summary density is the average of the error densities at each possible value of the estimate. Since each estimate is different, the summary density usually will not appear as a normal density. The summary density may have many modes (bumps) or appear skewed.

Need for Summary Density

The summary density is used to portray the distribution of the heterogeneous effects, while accounting for the differing error densities. There are other graphics used for the same purpose. The stick diagram (also called Forest Plots) is a portrayal of the heterogeneity, but is not easy to interpret. The stick diagram gives a distorted view because the effects with the poorest estimates and consequently the least informative have the longest confidence limits; thus, they catch the eye rather than the most informative effects with shorter confidence intervals. A histogram could be constructed from these estimates, but it weighs each estimate equally when some are more precise than others. Summary density curves can be viewed as smoothed histograms. However, unlike a histogram, summary density curves account for varying standard errors of the individual mean effect estimates.

Many readers interpret stick diagrams by noting the fraction of significant effects. This method has limitations, since there may be an overall significant effect detectable by meta-analysis and yet there are many insignificant effects due to low power in the individual studies. The summary density of these effects may show a mode at a value different from zero. This suggests that the insignificant effects tend to cluster around a value different from zero. The

summary density can also show two or more modes indicating disagreement between estimates, or the presence of a factor (or multiple factors) that varies between estimates.

Any summary density that does not appear to look similar to a normal density may be reflecting a distribution that is not normal. This is important because most meta-analyses assume that the heterogeneity distribution is normal.

Another method for portraying the distribution of effects having different precision is the **radial plot** developed by Galbraith (1994). This is also a good method to summarize various effect estimates, but may require more statistical experience to understand.

Theory of Summary Density

Statistical science has studied Kernel density estimates (Silverman, 1986) and the summary density belongs to the class called the Gaussian Variable Kernel Density. Gaussian is another name for the normal distribution. The summary density has a variable kernel because variances of each kernel differ since the lengths of the confidence intervals of the estimates are not the same. The kernel is the shape of the distribution used for each estimate. For example, other than the normal density a triangular density could be used. The histogram is a kernel density estimate. The kernel in this case is rectangular (a uniform density). The rectangular shape is not considered a good kernel because as the number of observations increase the histogram converges more slowly to the true density than do other kernels.

The summary density is presented as a graphical description of the heterogeneity. It does not converge to the true distribution of the heterogeneity. To do so in an optimal way, the variance of the error density would have to decrease depending on the number of effects being studied and the standard deviation among them.

Rather than the summary density only being a descriptive tool, it can be used for inference. Research has yielded a formula for fixing the variance of the Gaussian kernel so that there is less than a 5% chance of erroneously concluding that a sample from a normal density is multimodal (has more than one bump) (Jones, 1983). Since the kernel of the summary density does not use this formula, the significance of a multimodal summary density is unknown. Also, due to the varying kernel of the summary density, the formula does not apply and likely calculates too small a value. However, simulation could be carried out to compute the p-value for each application of the summary density to data.

Extending the Summary Density to an Optimal Kernel Density Estimate

The Guassian kernel density estimate is an average of normal density estimates, and is given by the equation

$$K(x) = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-\mu_i)^2/h^2}{2}}}{h\sqrt{2\pi}} \qquad \text{(AX7-1)}$$

where x is the value (in this case a possible value of the effect) at which the density is to be evaluated, u_i is the effect estimate, n is the number of samples (number of effects) and h is the standard deviation of each Gaussian density. As the number of samples increases, smaller values of h are used so that the kernel density estimate converges to the true density.

The definition of the summary density is the same as the Guassian kernel density except

$$h_i = \hat{\sigma}_i \qquad \text{(AX7-2)}$$

where $\hat{\sigma}_i$ is the estimate of the standard error of the i^{th} sample (effect estimate). In this case, the summary density is called a variable kernel density estimate since the h_i vary.

To extent the summary density to an optimal density consider h_i of the form:

$$h_i = \frac{kA}{n^{1/5}\sigma_g}\hat{\sigma}_i \qquad \text{(AX7-3)}$$

where k is a constant to be determined, σ_g is the geometric mean of the estimated standard errors and

$$A = \min(\hat{\sigma}, IQR / 1.34) \qquad \text{(AX7-4)}$$

where $\hat{\sigma}$ is the standard deviation of the samples (effect estimates) and IQR is their interquartile range. Both these statistics are estimates of the true sigma when the distribution of the effects is

normal. The extension of the summary density to an optimal kernel density will be referred to as the **extension**.

Next, the choice of the h_i for the extension will be explained. Jones (1986) has shown for the (constant) kernel that when

$$h = \frac{1.25\hat{\sigma}}{n^{1/5}} \qquad \text{(AX7-5)}$$

a normally distributed sample will have a multimodal (more than one mode) kernel estimate 5% of the time. The choice of h_i for the extension will coincide with Jones' choice when all the standard errors are equal, and the $IQR/1.34$ is smaller than the estimate of σ, and $k = 2.5$. However, for the extension a larger k is required to achieve the same critical value (5%) as Jones has achieved. This is due to the kernel being variable and prone to have more than one mode. Also, A is used rather than the more common estimate of σ, since A is used with the optimal kernel.

Another simpler but somewhat unsatisfactory approach is to use Jones' result directly on the effect size (the ratio of the effect estimate to its standard error). The variability of this ratio is approximately constant for effects estimated from long sampling periods.

Probably the best and yet a somewhat subjective method is to adopt aspects of Silverman's method (Silverman, 1986). A multiple of the standard deviation used with the summary density is considered. This multiple is either increased or decreased until the density becomes visually multiple modal. The effects are simulated using A as defined by equation AX7-3 for the standard error and the mean of the effects for the error densities.

Whether or not multimodal is present at, say the 5% level can be approximated by fixed or sequential sampling methods.

An Example of Calculating the Summary Density

Table AX7-8 shows the O_3-associated excess risk estimates for cardiovascular mortality in the warm season from select studies (see Figure 7-22 for the stick diagram of these estimates).

Table AX7-8. Ozone-Associated Cardiovascular Mortality Risk Estimates (95% CI) per Standardized Increment

Reference	Study Location	%Excess Risk in Mortality
Moolgavkar (2003)[a]	Los Angeles, CA	1.61 (−0.24, 3.50)
Moolgavkar (2003)[a]	Cook County, IL	6.82 (4.38, 9.32)
Lippmann et al. (2000)	Detroit Area, MI	2.84 (−2.39, 8.35)
Vedal et al. (2003)	Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada	16.37 (−1.14, 36.98)
Anderson et al. (1996)	London, England	4.46 (1.30, 7.72)
Sunyer et al. (1996)	Barcelona, Spain	6.70 (2.15, 11.50)
Simpson et al. (2001)	Brisbane, Australia	7.37 (−3.41, 19.36)

[a] Indicates use of Poisson GAM with default convergence criteria.

The estimated log relative risk is considered normally distributed, so the % change is converted to log relative risk per standard unit (RR) by Equation AX7-6:

$$\log(\text{RR}) = \log[(\%\ \text{change}/100) + 1] \qquad \text{(AX7-6)}$$

The standard error of the log(RR) is obtained by first applying the above equation to the confidence limits to get confidence limits for log(RR). Then the difference of these limits divided by 3.92 is used as the standard error of the log(RR).

The equation of the normal density is

$$K(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-\mu_i)^2/\sigma_i^2}{2}}}{\sigma_i\sqrt{2\pi}} \qquad \text{(AX7-7)}$$

In the above equation, for one of the effects, the log(RR) is substituted for μ_i and the its standard error is substituted for σ_i. This is done for each of the seven effect estimates. These densities are calculated over a range of x. For the figure, x has been calculated every 0.0004 units of log(RR) from −0.2 to 0.2. Then for each value of x, each of the densities is averaged, and the result is the

summary density. In cases where a log transformation was used, the normal density was divided by e^x to convert to the lognormal density.

Figure AX7-1 shows each of the seven error densities and the summary density multiplied by 7. In the figure, the summary density appears bimodal, but there are too few effects to confirm this statistically. The smaller mode reflects a clustering of three error densities.

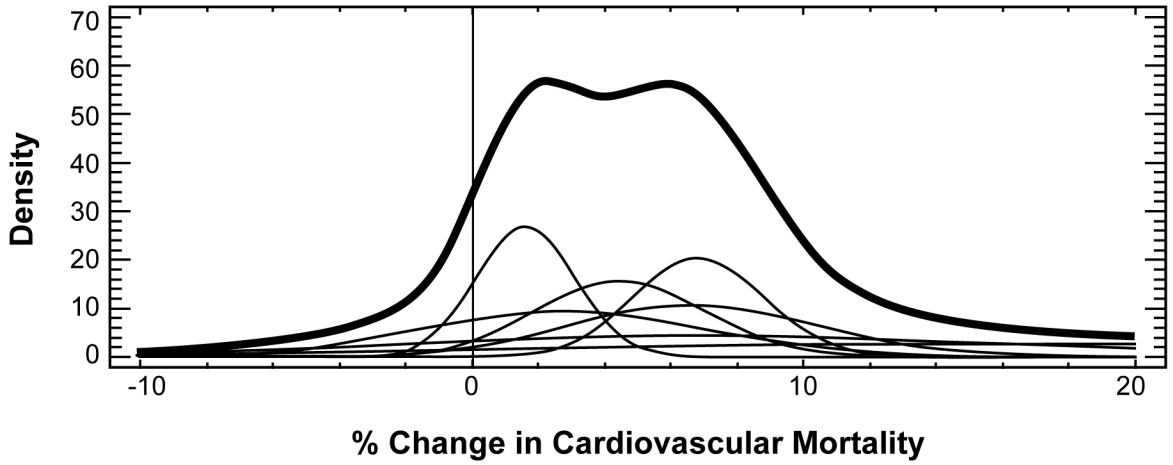

Figure AX7-1. Density curves of the O_3-associated excess risk of cardiovascular mortality in the warm season per standardized increment (see Section 7.1.3.2). The thicker curve is the summary density curve of the seven effect estimates.

In Chapter 7, the summary density curves in Figures 7-26 and 7-27 were calculated using equation AX7-3 with *A* equal to the estimated standard deviation of the effects. Simulation indicated the all-year curve in Figure 7-26 was not significantly multimodal.

Significance of a Summary Density

Consider the instance when there is no significant difference between effect estimates, and the pooled analysis finds the overall effect to be significantly positive. In this case, the error density of the overall effect would have less than 2.5% of its area under the curve beyond the value of no effect. However, the summary density of the individual error densities will generally show more than 2.5% beyond the no-effect value. Results from Mortimer et al (2002) reported in Chapter 7 found no significant effects of O_3 on PEF and incidence of symptoms in the

individual cities, but observed a significant overall effect when the data from all cities were combined (see Figures 7-4 and 7-7). The summary density of the error densities from the eight cities had about 20% to 25% of the area beyond zero. Simulation under these conditions verified that these larger percentages of the area beyond the value of no effect are common. One of the reasons for this result is that the summary density does not treat these estimates to be derived from random estimates of the same single true estimate.

Rather than treating the area beyond the value of no effect in a summary density as an indication of significance, it should be treated as an indication of disagreement. For example, there might be a mode at zero and a mode at a positive value. This could be due to some cities being always below the threshold and other cities being always above the threshold. In this case, there could be appreciable area below zero and yet there is a positive effect for some of the cities. Even if this simple case were the true state of nature, the summary density might appear normal due to wide error densities.

"Apples and Oranges" Issue

The argument that a summary analysis is comparing apples and oranges or mixing apples and oranges, is based on a variety of reasons. One of these reasons is based on the uncertainty arising when the analysis includes effects that vary on factors other than the factor of interest. The summary density may include such factors, but when the summary density is bimodal there is not an automatic conclusion this occurrence is due to only one factor. It may be spurious, due to multiple factors or an unknown factor.

Another basis for the "apples and oranges" criticism is the lack of commonality among the effects. That is, the effects may vary on a number of factors, but through some averaging process the effect of interest can be estimated, and these other factors will average out. The summary density does not average effects, but considers common location through a clustering of effects. This is a weaker assumption concerning the commonality of the effects.

Consider a summary density based on estimates of high precision that cluster together, and one estimate of low precision that is significantly different from the rest (the confidence intervals do not overlap) and is based on an older measurement method. The summary density could average out the outlying value while forming a high mode based on the other effects. Such a graph would lead one to ignore the results of the old measurement method. Ignoring previous

results when more precise measurements become available is often practical under such circumstances.

Masking of Heterogeneity

When the variances are very large, the kernel density appears to be very similar to a normal density. Thus, large error densities can mask the true pattern of heterogeneity. There may be good reasons to suppose that the heterogeneity is other than normal, and the failure of the summary density to show this pattern is due to wide error densities. When such masking occurs, the summary density cannot reject the assumption of normality of heterogeneous effects in a meta-analysis.

Another reason that masking may occur with the summary density is the use of the standard error of the effect as the standard deviation of the effects error density. Kernel density theory permits decreasing the standard deviation when more effects are available. Narrower error densities should clarify the heterogeneity distribution. However, the ideal reduction in variance due to increasing observation size is not large for the numbers of effects usually considered. For example, ideally h decreases as $n^{-1/5}$ increases, which is rather slowly.

Conclusions

The summary density is not new. As it stands, it is a kernel density estimate without a fixed value of h. Others have fixed h either using graphics (Kochi et al., 2003) or ad hoc (Burr and Doss, 2003). Flachaire and Nuñez (2004) used a weighted average of error densities with the weights based on the population size. This and other types of weighting should be considered in the future. Also, improvements to unmask the heterogeneity distribution in a statistically justified manner should be studied.

The summary density is a simple graphical method for portraying the distribution of heterogeneous effects in the presence of effects estimated with different precision. It has graphical advantages over both the stick diagram and the histogram. The summary density can be put on a more firm statistical footing. Inference concerning the presence of modes could be made reliably if p-values were generated from simulation. The summary density is a graphical-diagnostic tool for the normality assumption in meta-analyses. A meta-analysis method has been developed for use when the distribution of effects is not normal and the precision varies

(Burr, 2005). There is a need to develop other improvements to unmask the heterogeneity distribution in a statistically justified manner.

The summary density overcomes some issues with reliance on statistical tests. If effects were insignificant, one would expect them to cluster on either side of the no-effect value. If the summary density indicates a mode at a positive effect value, a tentative conclusion is that there is positive nonrandom effect. How one would confirm the mode is statistically significant may need to be studied, and it needs to be kept in mind that effects can include spurious components.