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Abstract. A comprehensive suite of brominated organic compounds was measured from whole air samples collected during the 1996 NASA Stratospheric Tracers of Atmospheric Transport aircraft campaign and the 1996 NASA Global Tropospheric Experiment Pacific Exploratory Mission-Tropics aircraft campaign. Measurements of individual species and total organic bromine were utilized to describe latitudinal and vertical distributions in the troposphere and lower stratosphere, fractional contributions to total organic bromine by individual species, fractional dissociation of the long-lived species relative to CFC-11, and the Ozone Depletion Potential of the halons and CH₃Br. Spatial differences in the various organic brominated compounds were related to their respective sources and chemical lifetimes. The difference between tropospheric mixing ratios in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres for halons was approximately equivalent to their annual tropospheric growth rates, while the interhemispheric ratio of CH₃Br was 1.18. The shorter-lived brominated organic species showed larger tropospheric mixing ratios in the tropics relative to midlatitudes, which may reflect marine biogenic sources. Significant vertical gradients in the troposphere were observed for the shortlived species with upper troposphere values 40-70% of the lower troposphere values. Much smaller vertical gradients (3-14%) were observed for CH3Br, and no significant vertical gradients were observed for the halons. Above the tropopause, the decrease in organic bromine compounds was found to have some seasonal and latitudinal differences. The combined losses of the individual compounds resulted in a loss of total organic bromine between the tropopause and 20 km of 38-40% in the tropics and 75-85% in midlatitudes. The fractional dissociation of the halons and CH₃Br relative to CFC-11 showed latitudinal differences, with larger values in the tropics.

1. Introduction

The source of reactive bromine in the stratosphere is from a variety of organic bromine-containing trace gases with both natural and anthropogenic origins. The mixing ratios of organic bromine-containing source gases entering the stratosphere have been measured directly from whole air samples [Fabian et al., 1994; Daniel et al., 1996; Schauffler et al., 1998] and inferred from tropospheric measurements [Montzka et al., 1996; Wamsley et al., 1998]. Presently, the primary organic source gases of bromine to the lower stratosphere are methyl bromide (CH₃Br), halon 1211 (CBrClF₂), halon 1301 (CBrF₃), halon 2402 (CBrF₂CBrF₂), and dibromomethane (CH₂Br₂) [Schauffler et al., 1998; Schauffler et al., 1998]. Additional source gases of organic bromine in the upper troposphere include bromoform (CHBr₃),

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Paper number 1999JD900197. 0148-0227/99/1999JD900197\$09.00 bromochloromethane (CH₂BrCl), bromodichloromethane (CHBrCl₂), and dibromochloromethane (CHBr₂Cl) [Schauffler et al., 1998]. The total amount of organic bromine source gases at the tropical tropopause in 1996 was 17.4 ± 0.9 ppt with most of the variability due to variations in the mixing ratios of short-lived halogenated methanes [Schauffler et al., 1998].

The participation of bromine in stratospheric ozone loss occurs via catalytic cycles that also involve Cl_x , NO_x , and HO_x species [Solomon et al., 1986; McElroy et al., 1986; Anderson et al., 1989; Solomon, 1990; Salawitch et al., 1993; Garcia and Solomon, 1994; Wennberg et al., 1994]. Bromine is more efficient than an equivalent amount of chlorine in the catalytic destruction of ozone because a larger fraction of the total inorganic chlorine [Solomon et al., 1992; Garcia and Solomon, 1994]. The magnitude of the efficiency difference between bromine and chlorine has been estimated to be from 40 to 400 [Solomon et al., 1992; Garcia and Solomon, 1994]. This efficiency difference, or α , is variable with altitude and chlorine loading in the stratosphere. Bromine may be placed on an equivalent scale with chlorine by multiplying α by the total

amount of inorganic bromine. This value is then added to the inorganic chlorine to give an equivalent chlorine loading [Daniel et al., 1995; Montzka et al., 1996]. Equivalent effective stratospheric chlorine (EESC), calculated with an α of 40, was used by Daniel et al. [1995] to evaluate halogen loading, ozone loss, and the resulting effects on radiative forcing between 1950 and 2100. Montzka et al. [1996] used effective equivalent chlorine calculations based on an α of 100 and tropospheric measurements of chlorine and bromine source gases to determine the effects of recent changes in the growth rates of these gases on chlorine loading in the stratosphere. In studies such as these, accurate measurements of organic source gases in the lower stratosphere provide important constraints on the amount of inorganic bromine available from these sources.

High-resolution measurements of organic source gases of bromine across the tropopause in various latitude regimes are required to describe the vertical structures that result from both local chemistry and transport. Vertical distributions of individual organic bromine compounds may be used: (1) to accurately determine the amount and distribution of organic bromine in both the troposphere and lower stratosphere; (2) to evaluate the variability of organic bromine in these regions; (3) to calculate the amount of inorganic bromine in the lower stratosphere; (4) to evaluate loss processes in both regimes; and (5) to calculate the vertical distribution of individual species contributions to total organic and inorganic bromine. In addition, the measured correlations between organic halogen trace gases are a useful tool in evaluating model chemical schemes [Avallone and Prather, 1997], in calculations of the fractional halogen release of a given compound relative to CFC-11 (CCl₃F), which is required for determining the ozone depletion potential (ODP) of organic halogens [Solomon et al., 1992], and in calculations of stratospheric lifetimes of trace gases [Avallone and Prather, 1997; Volk et al., 1997]. A number of additional investigations have used two and three-dimensional modeled correlations to describe the theory of trace gas correlations [Plumb and Ko, 1992; Hall and Prather, 1995; Plumb, 1996].

In this paper we present a comprehensive suite of measurements of brominated organic compounds in the upper troposphere and lower stratosphere from the NASA Stratospheric

Tracers of Atmospheric Transport (STRAT) Campaign in January/February, July/August, and December 1996 and in the mid-lower troposphere from the 1996 August/September NASA Global Tropospheric Experiment (GTE) Pacific Exploratory Mission-Tropics (PEM Tropics) Campaign. The comprehensive nature of this paper requires extensive use of figures to adequately represent the measurements discussed. For the individual species and total organic bromine we discuss the upper tropospheric mixing ratios from the three STRAT deployments by latitude regions and then compare the tropospheric mixing ratios from the July/August STRAT deployment with the PEM Tropics values. Then we show vertical profiles in the tropics and midlatitudes from the two campaigns. We also compare the January/February STRAT measurements with the July/August STRAT measurements. In the total organic bromine section, we discuss vertical contributions of the individual species to total organic bromine from the STRAT measurements. Finally, we calculate the fractional dissociation of each major species relative to CCl₃F and use this value to calculate the respective ODPs.

2. Background Information on Brominated **Organic Compounds in the Atmosphere**

The halons currently represent ~38% of the organic bromine at the tropical tropopause [Schauffler et al., 1998]. The halons have anthropogenic sources and are used primarily as fire extinguishers. Halon surface measurements demonstrate increasing mixing ratios over the last decade [Butler et al., 1998]. The CBrClF₂ growth rate has been relatively constant while that of CBrF₃ has decreased over the last few years. CBrF₂CBrF₂ showed a small increase in mixing ratios in recent years. Table 1 includes the global average halon surface mixing ratios at the end of 1996, the atmospheric lifetimes, and the ODPs. The relatively high ODPs of the halons led to the prohibition of their manufacture in developed countries as of January 1994, with continued production in developing countries until the year 2002, when production will be frozen at 1995-1997 levels [United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP) 1992]. Recent calculations suggest that the potential level of emissions from halons already produced by developed countries and not yet

Table 1. Lifetimes, ODPs, and Tropospheric Mixing Ratios of Organic Bromine Compounds

	CH ₃ Br	CBrF3	CBrClF ₂	C ₂ Br ₂ F ₄	
Lifetime, years	0.7 ^a	65 ^b	20 ^b	20 ^c	
ODP	0.43 ^a	13 ^d	5 ^d	6.1 ^d	
Average mixing ratio, ppt	10 ^a	2.3 ^e	3.5 ^e	0.45 ^e	
	CH ₂ Br ₂	CHBr ₂ Cl	CHBr ₃	CH ₂ BrCl	CHBrCl ₂
Lifetime, years	0.3-0.4 ^{f.j}	0.1 ^g	0.1 ⁱ	0.4 ^g	0.1 ^g
ODP	0.10-0.15 ^{f.j}	nd	nd	nd	nd
Average mixing ratio, ppt	<1.5 ^h	<0.5 ^h	<2.0 ^h	<0.5 ^h	<0.5 ^h
ODP, ozone depletion not	ential: nd. not dete	ermined			

^aButler and Rodriguez [1996]. ^bKo and Jackman [1994].

^cBurkholder et al. [1991].

^dSolomon et al. [1995].

eButler et al. [1998].

^fMellouki et al. [1992].

^gBilde et al. [1998].

^hClass and Ballschmiter [1988], Atlas et al. [1993], Schall and Heumann [1993], Atlas and Ridley [1996], and Yokouichi et al. [1997].

¹Moortgat et al. [1993].

JZhang et al. [1997].

released will continue to be an important source of bromine to the stratosphere over the next few decades [Butler et al., 1998].

Methyl bromide represents ~55% of the organic bromine at the tropical tropopause [Schauffler et al., 1998; Kourtidis et al., 1998]. Methyl bromide has both natural and anthropogenic sources. Recent summaries of published information on CH₃Br are given by Butler and Rodriguez [1996] and Penkett et al. [1995]. The primary use of industrially produced CH₃Br is fumigation. Additional sources of CH3Br are from burning of leaded gasoline and from biomass burning [Penkett et al., 1995; Andreae et al., 1996; N.J. Blake et al., 1996; Thomas et al., 1997]. A primary natural source is believed to be the oceans, which also represent an important sink [Lobert et al., 1995; Yvon-Lewis and Butler, 1997; Lobert et al., 1997]. Additional sinks are reaction with OH, photolysis in the stratosphere and uptake by soils, aquatic bacteria, and plants [Gillotay et al., 1988; Mellouki et al., 1992; Zhang et al., 1992; Shorter et al., 1995; Connell et al., 1997; Jeffers et al., 1998]. A slight increase in surface mixing ratios between 1988 and 1992 from measurements [Khalil et al., 1993] and between 1970 and 1990 from calculations based on agricultural usage [Singh and Kanakidou, 1993] has been reported; however, the variability in measured data and the small database prevent reliable quantitative estimates of a trend [Penkett et al., 1995]. Samples collected from South Pole firn air indicate Southern Hemisphere CH₃Br mixing ratios were ~25% lower near the beginning of this century than in 1996 [Elkins et al., 1996]. The global average mixing ratio, lifetime, and ODP of CH₃Br are shown in Table 1. The production of CH₃Br for use by developed countries has been capped at 1991 levels since 1995 under the terms of the Montreal Protocol and subsequent amendments [UNEP, 1992].

Dibromomethane, bromochloromethane, and bromodichloromethane currently represent ~6-10%, 0.7%, and 0.1%, respectively, of organic bromine at the tropical tropopause [Schauffler et al., 1993; Kourtidis et al., 1996; Schauffler et al., 1998]. CH2Br2, CHBr3, CHBr2Cl, CHBrCl2, and CH2BrCl are naturally occurring compounds. Identified sources include ice algae, phytoplankton, and macroalgae [Gschwend et al., 1985; Manley et al., 1992; Sturges et al., 1993; Moore and Tokarczyk, 1993; Tokarczyk and Moore, 1994; Laturnus, 1995]. Reactions with OH [Mellouki et al., 1992; Orkin et al., 1997; Bilde et al., 1998] and photolysis [Gillotay et al., 1988; Moortgat et al., 1993; Bilde et al., 1998] represent the known atmospheric sinks. Evaluation of temporal trends in mixing ratios is not possible at this time due to the lack of sufficient data. Average tropospheric mixing ratios, lifetimes, and ODPs of the short-lived organic bromine compounds are found in Table 1.

3. Methods

Whole air samples were collected by the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) Whole Air Sampler on board the NASA ER-2 aircraft during the STRAT campaign in 1996. The STRAT samples were collected between the tropics and about 60'N from near the surface to 21 km (Figure 1a). The Whole Air Sampler [*Heidt et al.*, 1989; *Schauffler et al.*, 1993; *Daniel et al.*, 1996] was modified to increase the number of sample canisters from 29 to 49. The sampler included a four-stage metal bellows pump, a stainless steel manifold, an electronics control package, and the 49 electropolished stainless steel canisters. The canisters were filled to ~3 standard atmospheres (~40 psi) and returned to the laboratory for analysis. The filling time for each canister was about 10 s at 8 km to 3.5-4 min at 20 km. These short fill times

Figure 1. Distribution by latitude and altitude of samples collected during (a) STRAT and (b) PEM Tropics.

ensure a negligible source of uncertainty from inhomogeneities in halocarbon abundance during the filling of a given canister. Canisters were analyzed within 2-14 days after sample collection.

Whole air samples from PEM Tropics were collected by the University of California, Irvine (UCI). whole air sampling systems on board the NASA P3 and DC8 aircraft. The UCI PEM Tropics samples were collected in the Pacific region from 73°S to 45° N and from near the surface to ~12 km (Figure 1b). The UCI system includes a metal bellows pump, a stainless steel manifold, and electropolished stainless steel canisters [*D.R. Blake et al.*, 1996]. A maximum of 168 samples were collected per flight. The canisters were filled to ~40 psi and analyzed at UCI for a variety of hydrocarbons and halocarbons. A subsample of the total number of canisters was then shipped to NCAR for analysis of halocarbons and other compounds. The UCI canisters were analyzed at UCI within 2-10 days after sample collection and were analyzed at NCAR within 30-60 days after sample collection.

At NCAR the halons, CH_3Br , CH_2Br_2 , $CHBr_2Cl$, and $CHBr_3$, were analyzed using gas chromatography with mass selective detection (GC/MS). Approximately 500 mL of sample was concentrated at -185°C in a glass-bead-packed nickel sample loop. The GC column was a 30-m fused silica column with a 0.25-mm ID and a 1.0 µm thick bonded nonpolar silicone phase (J&W Scientific DB-1). The temperature profile was -65°C for 1 min, 8°C/min to 120°C, and 70°C/min to 175°C for 2.1 min. Total analysis time was 27 min. The GC was a Hewlett Packard



5890, and the detector was a Hewlett Packard 5971A mass selective detector operated in the single-ion mode with electron impact ionization. Under these sampling conditions the detection limits were <0.5 ppt for CBrF₃, <0.05 ppt for CBrClF₂ and CBrF₂CBrF₂, <0.1 ppt for CH₃Br, <0.02 ppt for CH₂Br₂, <0.04 ppt for CHBr₂Cl, and <0.05 ppt for CHBr₃.

CH₂BrCl and CHBrCl₂ were analyzed using gas chromatography with negative ion chemical ionization detection (GC/NICI). The GC was a Hewlett Packard 5890 Series II, and the detector was a VG Instruments Trio 1000. Approximately 100 mL of sample was concentrated at -185°C in a glass-beadpacked nickel sample loop. The GC column and temperature program was comparable to that used for the GC/MSD. Under these sampling conditions the detection limits were <0.01 ppt for CH₂BrCl and CHBrCl₂.

The UCI analytical system for all halogenated organic compounds was a Hewlett Packard 5890 Series II GC with an electron capture detector (GC/ECD). Approximately 1500 cm³ of sample was concentrated at -196°C in a glass-bead-packed stainless steel sample loop. The sample was divided into six portions, three for flame ionization detection and three for GC/ECD analysis. Total analysis time was 20 min. Under these sampling conditions the detection limits were <0.5 ppt for CBrF₃, <0.03 ppt for CBrClF₂ and CBrF₂CBrF₂, <0.2 ppt for CH₃Br, <0.03 ppt for CH₂Br₂, <0.04 ppt for CHBr₂Cl, <0.05 ppt for CHBr₃, and <0.01 ppt for CH₂BrCl and CHBrCl₂. Details of the UCI analytical system, standards, and calibrations have been previously reported [*Blake et al.*, 1992, 1994, 1996].

Mixing ratios for the NCAR samples were calculated based on secondary standards of remote continental tropospheric air collected at Niwot Ridge, Colorado, in September 1993. The secondary standards were calibrated against primary standards prepared in this laboratory from pure compounds and from dilutions of commercially prepared multicomponent standards. The secondary standards were run periodically against each other during the STRAT sampling period to check for drift of individual components over time. Drift was noted for CH3Br (~0.5 ppt/yr in 1996) in one of the cylinders and was taken into account in calculations of the mixing ratios. Primary standards prepared in this laboratory were of the order of 50 ppb for CBrClF₂ and 50 ppb to 10 ppt for CBrF₃. The manufacturercertified multicomponent primary standard used for CH3Br calibration was 18 ppb. The multicomponent standards used for CBrF2CBrF2, CH2Br2, CHBr3, CH2BrCl, CHBrCl2, and CHBr₂Cl were not certified and were nominally listed as 100 ppb. These standards were calibrated in this laboratory using gas chromatography with atomic emission detection (GC/AED) based on carbon and halogen responses relative to National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) certified standards. The operating principle of the AED is that molecules eluting from the chromatographic column are excited to their constituent atomic species in a plasma and the specific atomic emission of the individual elements is detected with a diode array spectrometer. The response to the elemental atomic emission is independent of the molecular source of the constituent atom and is proportional to the number of atoms in the molecule. For this reason, a certified hydrocarbon standard may be used to calibrate halocarbon mixtures. This equivalence of response between different classes of compounds is not seen in any other detector. We evaluated the calibration on a certified NIST Standard Reference Material 1813 cylinder containing four halocarbons (~250 ppb each) using a certified NIST butane/benzene mixture

(10 ppb each). The calibration was within the stated values, so we subsequently used both standards to calibrate the commercially prepared multicomponent halocarbon mixtures. The analytical procedure for the GC/AED involved introduction of ~1 L of the standard onto a Supelco Carbotrap 200 adsorbent cartridge (80 mg glass beads, 170 mg Carbotrap B, 350 mg Carbosieve S III) followed by thermal desorption to a cryofocusing trap prior to introduction onto the GC column. The precision of the technique as described was ~3%; this variability was primarily a result of the precision of the pressure transducer used in the volume measurement. The accuracy of the NIST hydrocarbon standard was <1%, and the NIST halocarbon standard was ±1%. The ppb level primary halocarbon standards were diluted to ppt levels by both flow and static dilution systems for calibrating the secondary standards. Linearity of the instruments was evaluated using flow dilutions of ambient air samples down to 10-20% of ambient. Corrections for nonlinear effects were not required for any of the compounds reported here.

The uncertainties in our measurements result from the following: instrument precision, sampling precision, standards calibration precision, and accuracy of the standards. To evaluate instrument precision, we determine the precision on repeated analysis of the working standard. We were unable to analyze a given canister enough times to evaluate instrument precision on ambient samples; therefore, for uncertainty calculations we assumed the precision from the working standard was equivalent to the precision from the samples. The GC/NICI response drifted by a variable amount during each day (up to ~20%), so all measurements were corrected by interpolating between standard runs. Two samples were analyzed between each standard run. To evaluate the sampling precision, we compare samples collected in the same region consecutively, or nearly consecutively. The precision of the GC systems for repeat runs of the secondary standard for each compound and the sampling precision from analysis of multiple canisters are listed in Table 2. Also listed in Table 2 are the total uncertainties for each compound. These values were calculated by taking the square root of the sum of the squares of the percent uncertainties in standard preparation or dilution, the standard deviation in percent for repeated runs of the standards and samples, the standard deviation in percent for analysis of multiple canisters, and the standard deviation in percent of the standard mixing ratios.

The precision from multiple canisters also provided indirect information on the stability of a given trace gas in the canisters. Generally, compounds with low or inconsistent stability in the canisters exhibited significant variability and low mixing ratios relative to previously measured values. The halons and CH₃Br showed excellent reproducibility in multiple canisters (Table 2). The remaining gases showed higher variability in the multiple canisters; however, the magnitude of the variability was consistent with the total uncertainties for each gas. Higher uncertainties are not unusual for short-lived compounds at subppt levels. The tropospheric mixing ratios of the short-lived species were all within the range of previous measurements as discussed below. An additional indication of canister stability was obtained from the few ER-2 canisters that were reanalyzed. Six samples collected during STRAT were reanalyzed 1-4 weeks after the initial analysis and showed variability consistent with the values presented in Table 2. Adequate stability of the trace gases in the UCI canisters was also indicated by direct comparison of measurements from both groups on the same canisters during PEM Tropics. As mentioned above, the UCI and

Table 2. Variability of Daily Averages of the Working Standard and of Single Analyses of Multiple Canisters Collected at Similar Altitudes and Latitudes

Sample	Mean									
Information	s.d, CV	CH ₃ Br	CBrF3	$CBrClF_2$	$C_2Br_2F_4$	CH ₂ Br ₂	CHBr ₂ Cl	CHBr ₃	CH ₂ BrCl	CHBrCl ₂
CV for daily standard, %		1.0	3.0	1.5	4.0	2.5	2.2	4.4	7.0	6.8
Total Uncertainty, %		3.5	6.0	4.0	7.0	11.0	15.0	15.0	20.0	20.0
Jan. 26, 1996, <i>n</i> =8,	Mean	5.63	1.64	1.67	0.23	0.20	0	0	0.06	0.008
17.7-18.1 km,	s.d.	0.10	0.06	0.05	0.01	0.01	0	0	0.01	0.002
36°N	CV	1.8	3.4	3.1	3.7	6.0			12.0	23.9
Jan 29, 1996, <i>n</i> =14,	Mean	10.39	2.21	3.35	0.46	0.93	0.14	0.47	0.18	0.10
11.5-12.7 km,	s.d.	0.14	0.05	0.05	0.02	0.10	0.02	0.13	0.03	0.02
37°N	CV	1.3	2.1	1.5	4.0%	10.4	16.1	28.6	13.9	23.0
Feb. 2, 1996, <i>n</i> =8,	Mean	10.55	2.22	3.40	0.46	0.96	0.11	0.27	0.21	0.11
10.8 km,	s.d.	0.09	0.06	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.02
28°N	CV	0.9	2.6	1.2	3.6%	4.0	23.3	23.4	7.5	20.5
Feb. 2, 1996, <i>n</i> =5,	Mean	10.48	2.23	3.39	0.47	0.93	0.10	0.28	0.19	0.10
11.4 km,	s.d.	0.14	0.05	0.05	0.02	0.08	0.05	0.19	0.03	0.02
36°N	CV	1.3	2.2	1.6	3.3%	8.8	46.1	65.8	13.4	20.9
Feb. 2, 1996, <i>n</i> =8,	Mean	10.14	2.28	3.34	0.46	0.77	0	0	0.16	0.06
12 km,	s.d.	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.004	0.03	0	0	0.02	0.01
36°N	CV	0.7	2.7	1.2	1.0%	4.3			10.1	19.2
Feb. 12, 1996, <i>n</i> =3,	Mean	6.75	1.76	2.12	0.29	0.23	0	0	0.05	0
18.7 km,	s.d.	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.05	0	0	0.01	0
21°N	CV	0.4	1.4	0.8	2.0%	21.6			19.7	
Feb. 15, 1996, <i>n</i> =4,	Mean	5.05	1.51	1.52	0.22	0.09	0	0	0.04	0
19.2 km,	s.d.	0.10	0.09	0.03	0.01	0.04	0	0	0.01	0
24°N	CV	2.0	5.8	2.1	3.7%	40.8			21.1	

CV, coefficient of variation, equals s.d. (standard deviation)/mean. CV units are percent. Mean and SD units are ppt. Total uncertainty is the square root of the sum of the squares of the percent uncertainties in standard calibrations and the standard deviation in percent for repeat runs of the standards, individual samples, and canisters collected at the same altitude.

NCAR analyses were carried out 2-14 days and 30-60 days, respectively after sampling. The following values represent the percent variability in the ratio of NCAR/UCI measurements from ~600 samples: CBrF₃, 6.9%; CBrClF₂, 2.3%; CBrF₂CBrF₂, 7.0%; CH₃Br, 6.0%; CH₂Br₂, 9.5%; CHBr₃, 32.6%; CHBrCl₂, 49.0%; CHBr₂Cl, 39.5%. The variability in the latter two compounds is not surprising given their tropospheric mixing ratios are ~0.15 ppt.

Our primary mechanism for evaluation of the NCAR calibration scales relative to those of other laboratories has been by comparison of measurements from similar samples, although we have participated in a number of informal intercalibrations through exchange of primary and secondary standards. Our calibration scales for the three halons and CH₃Br are in good agreement with NOAA Climate Monitoring and Diagnostics Laboratory (CMDL) and are within 3% for CBrClF₂ and CBrF₂CBrF₂ and within 5% for CBrF₃ and CH₃Br. We have no direct comparisons for the other compounds.

The NCAR and UCI calibration scales for the halons agree to within <2%. For the PEM Tropics samples the NCAR values for CBrF₃ were more scattered than the UCI values, while the UCI values for CBrF₂CBrF₂ were more scattered than the NCAR values. Differences in the chromatography and detectors between the two analytical systems account for the differences in

variability. The only other compound with an independent calibration scale between the two laboratories is CH_3Br . For this compound the NCAR values are generally ~9% larger than the UCI values. We are currently evaluating possible reasons for this discrepancy. The UCI values for the remaining organic bromine compounds were calibrated based on the NCAR calibration scale. The UCI values for CHBr₃ agree well with those of NCAR for measurements on the same canisters. However, the UCI values for CH₂Br₂, CHBrCl₂, and CHBr₂Cl are somewhat lower than the NCAR values. The nature of the correlations suggests possible nonlinearity in the ECD response to these compounds. We are in the process of investigating this possibility.

The ER-2 flights during the STRAT campaign were based out of Moffet Field, California (37'N, 122'W), and Barbers Point, Hawaii (19'N, 156'W). As a result, most of our upper troposphere samples (from descents and dives) were near these locations (Figure 1a). Therefore we have combined our upper troposphere measurements into three latitude regions for presentation in this paper. The three regions are 2°S-6°N, where samples were collected during dives at the tropical tropopause; 21-24°N from flights out of Hawaii; and 36-41°N from flights out of Moffet Field. We averaged the PEM Tropics data (Figure 1b) over these same latitude regions for comparison with the STRAT data. We combined the PEM Tropics data with the Table 3a. Averaged Tropospheric Mixing Ratios of All Species and Total Organic Bromine from the STRAT Measurements During the Three Deployments

		CH ₃	Br			CBr	F ₃			CBrC	IF ₂	
	Jan.	July	Dec.	All	Jan.	July	Dec.	All	Jan.	July	Dec.	All
1°S-7°N mean	9.67	9.36	na	9.45	2.28	2.21	2.53	2.34	3.32	3.40	3.45	3.41
s.d.	0.10	0.43		0.39	0.07	0.18	0.12	0.21	0.05	0.07	0.04	0.07
CV, %	1.0	4.6		4.1	3.1	8.1	4.7	9.0	1.5	2.1	1.2	2.1
21-24°N mean	9.83	9.67	9.21	9.79	2.28	2.17	2.50	2.25	3.40	3.48	3.47	3.45
s.d.	0.17	0.31	0.57	0.27	0.12	0.10	0.11	0.14	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.07
CV, %	1.8	3.2	6.1	2.8	5.3	4.8	4.5	6.2	1.6	1.6	1.3	2.0
36-41°N mean	10.35	10.35	9.93	10.31	2.23	2.36	2.53	2.36	3.37	3.48	3.62	3.48
s.d.	0.37	0.36	0.50	0.39	0.06	0.15	0.21	0.19	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.12
CV, %	3.6	3.5	5.1	3.8	2.7	6.2	8.2	8.1	1.8	1.8	1.7	3.6
All troposphere samples												
Mean	10.09	9.85	9.69	9.95	2.26	2.23	2.52	2.30	3.38	3.48	3.57	3.46
s.d.	0.41	0.45	0.61	0.46	0.09	0.15	0.18	0.18	0.06	0.06	0.09	0.10
CV, %	4.1	4.6	6.3	4.6	4.0	6.7	7.1	7.8	1.8	1.7	2.5	2.9
Contribution to total organic bromine. %	51.7	52.3	50.6	52.1	11.6	11.8	13.2	12.0	17.3	18.5	18.6	18.1

	C ₂ Br ₂ F ₄					CH ₂	Br ₂			CHB		
	Jan.	July	Dec.	All	Jan.	July	Dec.	All	Jan.	July	Dec.	All
1°S-7°N mean	0.45	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.85	0.48	0.36	0.49	0.06	0.00	0.00	
s.d.	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.08	0.14	0.21	0.01	0.00	0.00	
CV, %	3.8	4.5	6.4	4.5	2.4	16.7	38.9	42. 9	16.1	0.0	0.0	
21-24°N mean	0.45	0.46	0.44	0.45	0.87	0.79	0.38	0.76	0.08	0.08	0.05	0.08
s.d.	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.12	0.10	0.22	0.19	0.03	0.08	0.03	0.03
CV, %	3.9	3.6	5.6	4.4	13.3	12.2	56.7	25.0	35.3	29.6	49.5	32.0
36-41°N mean	0.46	0.45	0.46	0.45	0.89	0.73	0.88	0.80	0.11	0.09	0.10	0.10
s.d.	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.19	0.12	0.04	0.21	0.04	0.01	0.03	0.04
CV, %	4.6	3.4	3.7	4.4	21.7	16.1	4.9	26.3	38.0	15.2	28.4	37.9
All troposphere samples												
Mean	0.45	0.45	0.46	0.45	0.87	0.75	0.79	0.76	0.10	0.08	0.09	0.09
s.d.	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.16	0.13	0.18	0.21	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.03
CV, %	4.4	3.7	3.9	4.4	18.4	16.8	23.2	27.6	40.0	25.0	38.5	33.3
Contribution to total organic	4.6	4.8	4.8	4.7	8.9	8.0	8.2	8.0	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.9

bromine, %

STRAT July/August data to evaluate vertical distributions in the troposphere and lower stratosphere. For these profiles we used NCAR measurements from the PEM Tropics samples for all species except CBrF₃. We use the UCI CBrF₃ measurements because the two calibration scales are equivalent and the UCI measurements are less variable. We use the UCI PEM Tropics measurements of the short-lived species when we discuss the relative vertical distributions from all PEM Tropics samples combined because it is a substantially larger data set relative to NCARs. Tropospheric samples were defined as samples with CCl₃F mixing ratios of 267 ppt or greater.

4. Results and Discussion

Averaged tropospheric mixing ratios of all species and total organic bromine from the STRAT measurements for the three sampling periods and the three latitude groups are presented in Tables 3a and 3b. Significant seasonal variations were not observed in any of the measured species in the upper troposphere, although a number of the compounds have shown some seasonality at the surface [*Cicerone et al.*, 1988; *Yokouchi et al.*, 1996; *Atlas and Ridley*, 1996]. Table 4 shows the comparison of the July STRAT measurements with those of PEM Tropics for the three latitude groups. Sections 4.1-4.5 discuss the results for each compound and for total organic bromine.

4.1. Halons 1301, 2402, and 1211

The mean $CBrF_3$ and $CBrF_2CBrF_2$ mixing ratios for all STRAT troposphere samples were 2.30±0.18 ppt and 0.45±0.02 ppt (Table 3a). These values were consistent with surface measurements from *Butler et al.* [1998] of 2.3 ppt and 0.45 ppt for CBrF₃ and CBrF₂CBrF₂, respectively. The growth rates of

Table 3a. cont.

		CHBr ₃				CH ₂ H	BrCl	<u></u>		CHB	rCl ₂	
	Jan.	July	Dec.	All	Jan.	July	Dec.	All	Jan.	July	Dec.	All
1°S-7°N mean	0.10	0.00	0.00		0.16	0.13	0.09	0.12	0.07	0.01	0.01	0.02
s.d.	0.03	0.00	0.00		0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.02
CV, %	30.0	0.0	0.0		18.8	15.4	33.3	25.0	28.6	100	100	100
21-24°N mean	0.10	0.13	0.00	0.12	0.18	0.17	0.10	0.16	0.07	0.08	0.02	0.07
s.đ.	0.04	0.06	0.00	0.05	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.03
CV, %	41.0	43.0	0.0	41.7	14.8	5.9	40.3	18.8	46.0	22.4	100	42.9
36-41°N mean	0.33	0.21	0.20	0.26	0.18	0.17	0.08	0.16	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07
s.d.	0.22	0.07	0.17	0.19	0.04	0.02	0.08	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.04
CV, %	67.2	31.1	86.3	73.1	20.4	11.8	100	31.3	53.4	53.1	100	57.1
All troposphere samples												
Mean	0.23	0.16	0.18	0.19	0.18	0.16	0.11	0.16	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.07
s.d.	0.20	0.07	0.17	0.15	0.03	0.02	0.08	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.03
CV, %	87.6	43.8	91.0	78.9	17.7	10.3	69.5	25.0	51.0	39.7	100	42.9
Contribution to total organic bromine, %	3.5	2.5	2.8	3.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4

		Total Organi	c Bromine	
	Jan.	July	Dec.	All
1°S-7°N mean	18.4 (18.5)	17.0 (17.0)		17.4 (17.2)
s.d.	0.3	0.7		0.1
CV, %	1.6	4.1		0.5
21-24*N mean	18.6 (18.8)	18.4 (18.6)	17.6 (17.1)	18.5 (18.7)
s.d.	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.5
CV, %	3.5	2.1	3.4	2.9
36-41°N mean	19.5 (20.1)	19.2 (19.6)	19.5 (19.7)	19.5 (19.9)
s.d.	1.6	1.1	1.8	1.4
CV, %	8.1	5.5	9.4	7.3
All troposphere samples				
Mean	19.1 (19.5)	18.5 (18.8)	18.8 (19.6)	18.8 (19.1)
s.d.	1.3	0.8	1.7	1.2
CV, %	6.8	4.3	9.2	6.2

All represents the averages over the three sampling periods by latitude group. All troposphere samples and contribution to total organic bromine represent the averages over the three latitude groups by sampling period. The total organic bromine values are averages of the total organic bromine in samples from each group. The total organic values in parentheses are the sum of the averages presented in the table of individual species. na, not available; units are ppt. Table 3b contains sample numbers, altitude averages, and altitude ranges for the three latitude groups.

 Table 3b.
 Number of Samples, Altitude Range, and Altitude

 Averages for Each Sampling Period and Latitude Group

Sampling	n	Altitude Range,	Altitude Mean,
Period		km	km
		1°S-7°N	
Jan.	4	16.4-17.3	16.9 ± 2%
July	8	15.7-17.5	16.4 ± 4%
Dec.	5	15.7-17.2	16.3 ± 4%
		21-24°N	
Jan.	29	11.3-17.4	14.9 ± 14%
July	50	8.7-13.3	12.2 ± 8%
Dec.	9	11.6-14.8	13.2 ± 12%
		36-41°N	
Jan.	37	9.5-15.5	12.1 ± 10%
July	23	9.4-14.7	$12.0 \pm 14\%$
Dec.	30	11.5-13.3	10.7 ± 18%

these species for this time period were relatively low, 0.044 \pm 0.011 ppt/yr for CBrF₃ and 0.009 \pm 0.001 ppt/yr for CBrF₂CBrF₂ [Butler et al., 1998]. These values were within our precision for the STRAT samples so we were unable to measure an increase in either compound during 1996. The latitudinal distribution of a given species depends on the lifetime, the source and sink locations and strengths, and the interhemispheric exchange time. Anthropogenic species with larger production rates in the Northern Hemisphere often show north/south latitudinal gradients in mixing ratios, with larger values in the north. For these species the magnitude of the north/south gradient is inversely related to atmospheric lifetime because the interhemispheric exchange time of about a year allows for longterm mixing between the hemispheres. We observed a small north/south latitudinal gradient for CBrF₂CBrF₂ of ~0.01 ppt in

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	CH	зBг	IJ	krF ₃	U U	BrCIF ₂	C ₂ Bi	2F4	CH_2	Br ₂	CHB	12CI	CHBr	\mathbf{c}_{12}	CHE	3r ₃
	NCAR	ncı	NCAR	ncı	NCAR	NCI	NCAR	UCI	NCAR	UCI	NCAR	UCI	NCAR	UCI	NCAR	UCI
								2°5-10°N								
PT all mean	9.66	8.83	2.23	2.30	3.39	3.41	0.45	0.48	1.08	0.94	0.23	0.14	0.16	0.13	1.21	1.13
s.d.	0.64	0.56	0.15	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.02	0.03	0.25	0.17	0.12	0.07	0.04	0.05	0.82	0.82
PT >2 km mean	9.78	8.94	2.23	2.30	3.42	3.41	0.45	0.50	0.91	0.82	0.15	0.11	0.13	0.11	0.63	0.53
s.d.	0.54	0.49	0.16	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.01	0.03	0.08	0.08	0.04	0.05	0.02	0.05	0.26	0.20
STRAT mean	9.51		2.27		3.44		0.44		0.52		0.00		0.02		0.00	
s.d.	0.22		0.18		0.07		0.01		0.05				0.01			
								21-24°N								
PT >2 km mean	11.3	10.30	2.28	2.35	3.57	3.49	0.46	0.49	0.82	0.75	0.14	0.10	0.14	0.09	0.41	0.47
s.d.	0.57	0.36	0.24	0.03	0.05	0.07	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.07	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.16	0.15
STRAT mean	9.67		2.17		3.48		0.46		0.79		0.08		0.08		0.13	
s.d.	0.31		0.10		0.06		0.02		0.10		0.02		0.02		0.06	
								36-41°N								
PT >2 km mean	11.5	11.23	2.12	2.32	3.58	3.57	0.48	0.49	0.78	0.79	0.13	0.08	0.13	0.05	0.34	0.35
s.d.	0.84	0.78	0.24	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.01	0.09	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.11	0.08
STRAT mean	10.35		2.36		3.48		0.45		0.73		0.09		0.07		0.21	
s.d.	0.36		0.15		0.06		0.02		0.12		0.01		0.04		0.07	
Upper troposph	ere STR	AT values a	ure include	d for compa	arison with	PEM Trop	vics. All un	nits are ppt.	PT is PE	M Tropics	and s.d. is	standard d	eviation. C	CH ₂ BrCl v	vas not mea	sured in the

PEM Tropics samples analyzed by NCAR (Figure 2a). We also observed a slight latitudinal gradient for $CBrF_3$ of about 0.05 ppt when all the PEM Tropics samples were plotted by latitude (Figure 2b). The small latitudinal gradients for $CBrF_2CBrF_2$ and $CBrF_3$ were not statistically significant; however, they were consistent with their annual growth rate for this time period [*Butler et al.*, 1998]. There was no significant difference between the PEM Tropics mixing ratios and the upper troposphere STRAT mixing ratios of $CBrF_3$ and $CBrF_2CBrF_2$ with the exception of smaller $CBrF_3$ in the STRAT 21-24°N samples (relative to the UCI $CBrF_3$ values) (Table 4). These samples were primarily from a single flight, which showed slightly smaller mixing ratios of a number of the chlorinated organic species.

The mean CBrClF₂ mixing ratio for all STRAT December troposphere samples was 3.57±0.09 ppt (Table 3a) which was consistent with 3.5 ppt from surface samples at the end of 1996 [Butler et al., 1998]. The measured increase in CBrClF₂ mixing ratios between January/February 1996 and December 1996 (3.38-3.57 ppt) from the STRAT samples agreed well with the growth rate of 0.16±0.02 ppt for CBrClF₂ during 1996 reported by Butler et al. [1998]. The north/south latitudinal gradient for $CBrClF_2$ was about 0.20 ppt (Figure 2c), which was also consistent with the annual growth rate. The latitudinal distribution from the STRAT samples at the tropics and 21-24°N were in excellent agreement with the PEM Tropics samples (Table 4). The 36-41°N STRAT values were somewhat smaller than the corresponding values from PEM Tropics; however, as the standard deviations overlap, the difference was not considered significant.

The tropical vertical distributions of CBrF₃, CBrClF₂, and CBrF₂CBrF₂ are presented in Figures 3a, 3b, and 3c and include measurements from PEM Tropics and STRAT. Figures 3e, 3f, and 3g show the corresponding distributions in midlatitudes. The correspondence of upper troposphere measurements of the halons with those in the mid-lower troposphere and the surface were not unexpected given the relatively long tropospheric lifetimes of these species (Table 1).

Mixing ratios of the halons decreased above the tropopause, which was about 16-17 km in the tropics and about 11-14 km in midlatitudes during July. CBrF₃ mixing ratios decrease proportionately less, relative to troposphere values, than CBrF₂CBrF₂ and CBrClF₂ in both the tropics and midlatitudes. In the tropics the mixing ratios of CBrF₃ decreased by ~25% at 20 km relative to tropospheric values, while CBrF2CBrF2 and CBrClF₂ decreased by ~45%. In midlatitudes the mixing ratios of CBrF3 decreased by 50% at 20 km, while CBrF2CBrF2 and $CBrClF_2$ decreased by almost 80%. This is a result of the longer photochemical lifetime of CBrF₃ relative to CBrF₂CBrF₂ and CBrClF₂. The proportional loss and linearity of the correlation between the July/August STRAT measurements of CBrF₂CBrF₂ and CBrClF₂ indicate a comparable stratospheric lifetime for the two species (Figure 4). This is consistent with previous model calculations of the stratospheric lifetimes of the two halons [Pyle et al., 1992]. Relatively few studies are available for comparison of gradients in the lower stratosphere. The gradients measured during STRAT of CBrF3 and CBrClF2 above the tropopause in the tropics appeared to be larger than that observed by Lal et al. [1994] in India (17.5°N); however, the low number of data points from the balloon samples between the tropopause and 20 km makes direct comparison difficult. The midlatitude CBrF3

PEM Tropics samples



Figure 2. Latitudinal distributions of PEM Tropics samples averaged over 5° latitude bins of (a) $CBrF_2CBrF_2$, (b) $CBrF_3$, (c) $CBrClF_2$, (d) CH_3Br , (e) CH_2Br_2 , (f) $CHBr_3$, (g) $CHBr_2Cl$, and (h) $CHBrCl_2$. Dots are individual data points. Solid circles are averages. Error bars represent one standard deviation.



Figure 3. Vertical distributions in the tropics from STRAT July/August (open circles), and PEM Tropics (crosses) of (a) CBrF₃, (b) CBrClF₂, (c) CBrF₂CBrF₂, (d) CH₃Br, (i) CHBr₃, and (j) CH₂Br₂ and in midlatitudes of (e) CBrF₃, (f) CBrClF₂, (g) CBrF₂CBrF₂, (h) CH₃Br, (k) CHBr₃, and (l) CH₂Br₂.



gradient was somewhat less than the 80% decrease at 20 km measured by *Fabian et al.* [1996a,b] from balloon samples, whereas the CBrClF₂ gradient was equivalent. The gradients of CBrClF₂ above the tropopause in the tropics and midlatitudes were comparable to those observed by *Wamsley et al.* [1998] from aircraft measurements.

The winter midlatitude measured mixing ratios of the halons and CH_3Br decreased from tropospheric values at lower altitudes than during summer, as shown in Figure 5 for $CBrClF_2$. These

observations are presumably the result of greater downward transport in the lower stratosphere during the Northern Hemisphere winter [Holton et al., 1995]. The greater downward transport resulted in lower tropopause altitudes in winter (~11.5 km) than in summer (~14 km) (B. Gary personal communication, 1996). The winter/summer differences in transport were reflected in the degree of loss of the halons between the tropopause and 20 km. The magnitude of the difference in loss in midlatitudes was ~11% for all three halons.



Figure 4. Correlation between $CBrF_2CBrF_2$ and $CBrClF_2$ from July/August STRAT samples.



Figure 5. Vertical distribution of $CBrClF_2$ in mid-latitudes from STRAT January (crosses) and July (solid circles) samples.

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As with all brominated organic compounds, the mixing ratios at the tropical tropopause determine the amount of bromine from these source gases entering the stratosphere. For species such as CBrClF₂, which have increasing mixing ratios in the troposphere, the relationship between mixing ratios measured in the stratosphere at a given time and the amount of bromine released after entry into the stratosphere is dependent on the mixing ratio when the air parcel crossed the tropical tropopause. The difference between the time of the measurements and the time the air parcel crossed the tropical tropopause is referred to as the age of stratospheric air. The age may be determined from concurrent measurements of long-lived tracers, such as SF₆, CO₂, or CFC 115 [Schmidt and Khedim, 1991; Pollock et al., 1992; Daniel et al., 1996; Harnish et al., 1996; Volk et al., 1997; Wamsley et al., 1998; Harnish et al., 1998]. These gases are useful as tracers of the age of air because they have a defined increasing growth rate in the troposphere and essentially no loss in the stratosphere. The STRAT measurements from July show an average CBrClF₂ mixing ratio of 3.40±0.07 ppt at the tropical tropopause [Schauffler et al., 1998]. As mentioned previously, the magnitude of the north/south gradient of CBrClF₂ is ~0.2 ppt (Figure 2c), which is comparable to the annual growth. A typical time estimated for transport from the surface to the tropical tropopause is ~0.8 year [Wamsley et al., 1998]. Of course, shorter times are possible during convective events so the range of transport times is of the order of hours to months. The latitudinal distribution and range of transport times imply that the 3.4 ppt measured at the tropical tropopause in July could have come from 20°S-10°N in July, from higher Northern Hemisphere latitudes about 9 months earlier, or some combination of the two. Although the potential error from these considerations in calculating the entry mixing ratio of CBrClF₂ from age of air determinations is relatively small (<0.2 ppt bromine), it may be important for other halogenated compounds with relatively large tropospheric growth rates and latitudinal gradients.

4.2. Methyl Bromide

The tropospheric mixing ratios of CH₃Br showed a distinct latitudinal gradient during all three sampling periods of STRAT and during PEM Tropics (Tables 3 and 4 and Figure 2d). The north/south gradient of 1.18 observed during PEM Tropics was consistent with gradients measured at the surface [Lobert et al., 1995, 1996; Penkett et al., 1995] and from aircraft samples [Blake et al., 1997]. However, the STRAT mixing ratios were smaller and the gradient was less than those from PEM Tropics. The differences between the STRAT and PEM Tropics mixing ratios were not equivalent for the three latitude groups (Table 4). The tropics showed the least difference $(\sim 3\%)$, while the differences at 21-24°N and 36-41°N were ~14% and ~10%, respectively. A vertical gradient in CH₃Br in the troposphere is not unexpected, given the relatively short lifetime with respect to atmospheric loss (~1.8 years [Butler and Rodriguez, 1996]). However, the magnitude of the gradient may vary substantially, as observed here, and may even be reversed, i.e., larger mixing ratios with altitude, as a result of convective activity and large scale interhemispheric transport [Blake et al., 1997, also submitted manuscript, 1998]. The vertical gradient of CH₃Br at a given location is likely a result of local OH loss and regional and long-range transport, all of which may vary with altitude. The measurements presented here and those of Blake et al. [1997, submitted manuscript, 1998] indicate a likely range of 0-15% for the difference between surface and upper tropospheric mixing ratios of CH₃Br.



Figure 6. Vertical distributions of PEM Tropics samples of (a) CHBr₃, (b) CH₂Br₂, (c) CHBrCl₂, and (d) CHBr₂Cl.

The July mixing ratios of CH₃Br at 20 km in the tropics and midlatitudes were smaller by ~40% and ~70%, respectively relative to the tropopause values (Figures 3d and 3h). The January mixing ratios in the tropics and midlatitudes were smaller by ~30% and ~80%, respectively, relative to the tropopause values. The tropical gradients were larger than the gradient reported by *Lal et al.* [1994] from balloon samples at 17.5'N in 1990 but were equivalent to the gradient reported by *Kourtidis et al.* [1998] from balloon samples collected 3 years earlier at the same location. The observed gradients above the tropopause in this study imply a stratospheric loss with altitude somewhat smaller than CBrF₂CBrF₂ and CBrClF₂ but not as low as CBrF₃. This is consistent with a stratospheric lifetime longer than CBrF₂CBrF₂ and CBrClF₂ and shorter than CBrF₃.

4.3. Short-Lived Brominated Organic Compounds

The short-lived brominated organic compounds, CH₂Br₂, CHBr₃, CHBr₂Cl, and CHBrCl₂, measured during PEM Tropics all showed a larger range of mixing ratios in the tropics relative to higher latitudes in either hemisphere (Figure 2e-2h). Interestingly, CH₂Br₂ mixing ratios were somewhat larger in the Southern Hemisphere than the Northern Hemisphere (Figure 2e), although the standard deviations of the means were not significantly different. The higher mixing ratios in the tropics were from samples collected below 2 km (Figures 3i-3j and Figures 6a-6d). Quantitatively, the mean tropical values for altitudes <2 km were larger with larger standard deviations than those for altitudes >2 km (Table 4). The distribution suggests possible oceanic sources in this region of the tropics for these compounds. We do not believe that biomass burning is a contributor, as we have not seen elevated levels of these gases in our previous studies of biomass burning emissions. The surface mixing ratios and tropical distributions for CHBr₃ and CHBr₂Cl were similar to those seen by Atlas et al. [1993] during a Pacific cruise.

The STRAT upper troposphere measurements of these species were lowest in the tropics relative to the midlatitudes (Table 3). In addition, the tropical STRAT values were substantially less than the >2 km averages from PEM Tropics. Both these observations were presumably due to the higher tropopause altitudes in the tropics, resulting in a greater degree of loss of these species. In the 21-24°N and 36-41°N regions, with the exception of CH₂Br₂, the STRAT mixing ratios were 40-70% smaller than the PEM Tropics values (Table 3). These measurements indicate significant vertical gradients in both the tropics and midlatitudes. The STRAT CH₂Br₂ values were comparable to those measured during PEM Tropics (Table 4 and Figure 31). The CH_2Br_2 values were also comparable to measurements near the tropopause from balloon samples in the tropics and high latitudes [Kourtidis et al., 1996].

CHBr₃ was the only short-lived compound from the STRAT measurements that showed a difference between the latitude groups, with larger mixing ratios at 34-41°N relative to those at 21-24°N, while the PEM Tropics measurements showed larger mixing ratios in the tropics. The relatively few measurements in this latitude region reported in the literature preclude direct comparison of latitudinal gradients. However, the STRAT values were generally smaller and the PEM Tropics values were comparable to those measured at or near the surface in the Northern Hemisphere [*Penkett et al.*, 1985; *Atlas et al.*, 1993; *Yokouchi et al.*, 1996, 1997] and in the Northern Hemisphere free troposphere [*Atlas and Ridley*, 1996].

CH₂Br₂, CHBr₂Cl, and CHBrCl₂ mixing ratios from the STRAT and PEM Tropics samples were generally smaller than those measured at the surface [*Penkett et al.*, 1985; *Atlas et al.*, 1993; *Yokouchi et al.*, 1996, 1997] and were within the range observed in the free troposphere [*Atlas and Ridley*, 1996]. CH₂ClBr mixing ratios for STRAT and PEM Tropics were within the range of previously reported tropospheric values [*Yokouchi et al.*, 1996].

The STRAT mixing ratios of CH_2Br_2 and $CHBr_3$ in both the tropics and midlatitudes were substantially larger at the tropopause in January than in July (Figure 7). In addition,



Figure 7. Vertical distributions from STRAT January (crosses) and July (open circles) samples of (a) CH_2Br_2 in midlatitudes, (b) $CHBr_3$ in midlatitudes, and (c) CH_2Br_2 in the tropics.



Figure 8. Vertical distributions from STRAT January tropics (crosses), July tropics (open circles), January midlatitudes (pluses), and July midlatitudes (open squares) of (a) $CHBr_2Cl$, (b) $CHBrCl_2$, and (c) CH_2BrCl .

CHBr₂Cl, CHBrCl₂, and CH₂BrCl mixing ratios from STRAT were also larger in January at both the tropical and midlatitude tropopause (Figure 8). The larger measured mixing ratios of the short-lived species in January may have resulted from relatively recent convective activity in both regions coupled with possible seasonal differences at the surface.

Above the tropopause, mixing ratios of both CHBr₃ and CHBr₂Cl decreased to zero by 18 km in the tropics and midlatitudes (Figures 3i, 3k, and 8a). At 20 km, CHBrCl₂ and CH₂BrCl decreased to <0.01 ppt and <0.08 ppt, respectively

(Figures 8b and 8c). CH_2Br_2 decreased by 90% or more (to <0.2 ppt) between the tropopause and 20 km in both the tropics and midlatitudes (Figures 3j and 3l). This loss was comparable to that observed by *Kourtidis et al.* [1996] from balloon samples.

4.4. Total Organic Bromine

The latitudinal distribution of total organic bromine from PEM Tropics samples reflects the combined distributions of the individual species. Larger mean mixing ratios were observed in the 5°S-25°N latitude range, although the one standard deviation error bars overlap across the entire latitudinal coverage (Figure 9a). The mean mixing ratio between 5°S and 25°N was 21.9±0.6 ppt while the mean of the remaining samples was 20.0 ± 0.4 ppt. The upper troposphere STRAT measurements of total organic bromine from the three latitude regions showed the largest discrepancy with the PEM Tropics samples in the tropical region (Figure 9a). This results from a greater loss of short-lived species in the upper tropical troposphere relative to the midlatitude upper troposphere because of larger levels of OH and the higher tropopause altitude in the tropics which facilitates exposure to elevated levels of radiation. The average mixing ratio of total organic bromine from the PEM Tropics samples was 20.9±2.5 ppt, while the average mixing ratio from the STRAT July/August samples was 18.5±0.8 ppt.

The comprehensive suite of individual species measurements from STRAT provides constraints on the amount of organic bromine in the Northern Hemisphere upper troposphere and at the tropical tropopause. The range of the mean ± 1 s.d. for total organic bromine from 21°N-41°N was 17.0-21.3 ppt and at the tropical tropopause was 16.3-18.7 ppt (Table 3 and Figures 9c-9f; see also Schauffler et al. [1998]). The greatest contribution to the variability of the mean values came from the short-lived species. We believe these measurements represent a reasonable range of values for use in stratospheric modeling studies that include bromine chemistry. We caution, however, that for a given convective event which originates over source regions, the amount of organic bromine introduced into the upper troposphere could be substantially greater as a result of the short-lived species (Figures 9b and 11d).

The July mixing ratios of total organic bromine at 20 km in the tropics and midlatitudes were 40% and 75%, respectively, of the tropopause values (Figures 9c and 9d). The January mixing ratios in the tropics and midlatitudes were 38% and 85%, respectively, of the tropopause values (Figures 9e and 9f). As mentioned previously, the higher loss in midlatitudes in January was presumably a result of greater downward transport in the winter midlatitudes.

The percent contribution to total organic bromine by a given species at a given time is dependent on altitude, latitude, and the presence or absence of a tropospheric temporal trend in mixing ratics. Vertical distributions of the fractional contribution to total organic bromine for the major species from the tropical and midlatitude STRAT samples are shown in Figure 10. Methyl bromide represented 55-60% of total organic bromine above the tropopause in both the tropics and midlatitudes (Figure 10d). Below the tropopause, CH₃Br was 50-55% of the total. This reduction was due to the presence of additional species not usually present in stratospheric samples, i.e., CHBr₃, CHBr₂Cl, CHBrCl₂, and CH₂BrCl. The fractional contribution to total organic bromine for CBrF3 increased with altitude (Figure 10a), while that of CBrClF2 and CBrF2CBrF2 decreased with altitude (Figures 10b and 10c). This is a result of the longer lifetime in this region of the stratosphere of CBrF3 relative to CBrClF2 and



Figure 9. Latitudinal distributions of (a) total organic bromine from PEM Tropics samples averaged over 5' latitude bins (crosses) and upper troposphere averaged STRAT samples (solid circles), and (b) averaged PEM Tropics samples subdivided into three groups; the halons and CH_3Br (crosses); the halons, CH_3Br and CH_2Br_2 (open circles); and the halons, CH_3Br , CH_2Br_2 , and the short-lived brominated organic compounds (solid circles). Vertical distributions from STRAT (open circles), and PEM Tropics (crosses) of total organic bromine in (c) July tropics, (d) July midlatitudes, (e) January tropics, and (f) January midlatitudes.

 $CBrF_2CBrF_2$. The differences in the fractional contributions for the halons between January and July at 20 km were due to sampling of older (more photochemically aged) air in January. The lowest CFC 12 values observed in July were ~380 ppt, while the lowest observed in January were ~230 ppt.

Total Organic Bromine (ppt)

In the tropical lower stratosphere the fractional contribution of $CBrF_3$ was 12-18%, while that of $CBrClF_2$ was 18-21% and that of $CBrF_2CBrF_2$ was 4.5-5.5%. In the midlatitude lower

stratosphere the fractional contribution to total organic bromine was 12-30% for CBrF₃, 10-19% for CBrCiF₂, and 2-5% for CBrF₂CBrF₂. These values reflect the greater degree of photochemical aging in midlatitude air parcels relative to the tropics. In both the tropics and midlatitudes the fractional contribution to total organic bromine from CH_2Br_2 decreased steadily between the tropopause and 20 km from ~9% to ~1% (Figure 10e).

Total Organic Bromine (ppt)



Figure 10. Fractional contribution to total organic bromine from STRAT samples from January tropics (crosses), July tropics (open circles), January mid-latitudes (pluses), and July midlatitudes (open squares) for (a) $CBrF_3$, (b) $CBrClF_2$, (c) $CBrF_2CBrF_2$, (d) CH_3Br , and (e) CH_2Br_2 .

The combined fractional contributions to total organic bromine in midlatitudes by CHBr₃, CHBr₂Cl, CHBrCl₂, and CH₂BrCl from the STRAT samples decreased from ~12% at the tropopause to 1% at 20 km (Figure 11a). When CH₂Br₂ is included, the STRAT short-lived species contribution to total organic bromine in the troposphere was consistent with the PEM Tropics measurements of ~15% (Figures 11b and 11c). It is important to note that the mixing ratio range of short-lived species at altitudes above 2 km from all PEM Tropics flights was of the order of 2-4 ppt (Figure 11d). The corresponding fractional contributions to total organic bromine were between 10% and 25%. This is consistent with the variability observed in the STRAT tropospheric measurements discussed above. The measurements from both STRAT and PEM Tropics demonstrate the need to use at least ± 1 ppt uncertainty for total organic bromine when modeling the effects of bromine on stratospheric ozone depletion.

Tropospheric temporal trends in mixing ratios influence the percent contribution to total organic bromine by a given species over time. For example, in winter of 1991-1992 CH₃Br was 60.6% of the total organic bromine at the 23°N tropopause, while in 1996 CH₃Br was 52.3% of the total at 21-24'N (Table 5).



Figure 11. Fractional contribution to total organic bromine from STRAT January (crosses) and STRAT July (open circles) samples from (a) midlatitude short-lived brominated organic compounds, and (b) midlatitude short-lived brominated organic compounds including CH_2Br_2 . (c) Fractional contribution to total organic bromine from PEM Tropics samples. (d) Vertical distribution of the short-lived (reactive) compounds from PEM Tropics samples. Dots in Figures 11c and 11d are individual data points, solid circles are averages, and error bars are 1 s.d.

This was due to increased contributions from the halons resulting from increased mixing ratios over time. The longer-lived species tend to contribute a greater percentage to the total organic bromine near the tropopause relative to the mid-lower troposphere because of loss of the short-lived compounds.

4.5. Fractional Dissociation Relative to CCl₃F and ODPs

Calculations of ODP [Solomon et al., 1992] and equivalent effective stratospheric chlorine (EESC) [Daniel et al., 1995] require calculation of the fractional halogen release of a given halocarbon relative to the fractional chlorine release of CCl_3F . The fractional chlorine release, FC [Daniel et al., 1995], is defined as

$$FC = \frac{\mu_{entry,x} - \mu_{\theta,z,x}}{\mu_{entry,x}}$$

where $\mu_{entry,x}$ is the mixing ratio of halocarbon x when it enters the stratosphere, and $\mu_{\theta,z,x}$ is the mixing ratio of halocarbon x at latitude θ and altitude z. FC represents the fractional dissociation, or amount of halocarbon x destroyed, between the time of entry into the stratosphere and the time of measurement.

In order to calculate FC for compounds with a temporal trend in the troposphere, the mixing ratios of halocarbon x and CCl₃F entering the stratosphere must be determined. For the halocarbons of interest here, CBrClF₂ and CBrF₃ are the only compounds with a significant increase in tropospheric mixing ratios over the last few years [Butler et al., 1998]. Calculations of the age of air, i.e., the time between entry into the stratosphere and the time of measurement, were based on the relationship between N₂O and age, with age determined from measurements of CO₂ during STRAT (K. Boering personal communication, 1998). The use of CO_2 to determine the age of air in the stratosphere is described by Boering et al. [1996]. Age of air calculations were used in conjunction with temporal trends of CBrClF₂ and CBrF₃ to determine the mixing ratio of these compounds when they entered the stratosphere.

The ratio FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} is the fractional halogen release of halocarbon x relative to the fractional chlorine release of CCl_3F and was determined from correlations of FC of the halons and CH_3Br with FC of CCl_3F (Figures 12a-12d). None of the correlations are linear, which means that the fractional dissociation of these compounds is not uniform relative to the fractional dissociation of CCl_3F . Table 6 presents calculations of

	CH ₃ Br	CBrF3	CBrClF ₂	$C_2Br_2F_4$	CH ₂ Br ₂	CHBr ₂ Cl	CHBr ₃	CH2BrCl	CHBrCl ₂
AASE II: 23°N tropopause	60.6	11.3	16.3	2.6	9.0				
STRAT 21-24°N troposphere	52.3	12.0	18.4	4.8	8.1	0.9	1.9	0.9	0.4
STRAT tropical tropopause	55.0	13.6	19.8	5.1	5.7			0.7	0.1
STRAT troposphere	52.1	12.0	18.1	4.7	8.0	0.9	3.0	0.8	0.4

Table 5. Percent Contribution to Total Organic Bromine by Each Compound From Airborne Arctic Stratospheric Expedition II, STRAT 21°-24°N, STRAT Tropical Tropopause, and STRAT Troposphere

AASE II (1992; using recalibrated Schauffler et al. [1993] values), STRAT tropical tropopause values are from Schauffler et al. [1998].

FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} for the halons and CH₃Br based on the correlation curves from Figure 12 and on the measurements subdivided by latitude groups of 2°S-10°N, 20-40°N, and 40-60°N. FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} ratios based on the correlation curves were calculated from a linear correlation within the stated ranges of FC_{CFC-11}. The appropriate curve was then applied to each sample to calculate the ratio. The FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} ratios calculated from the measurements were averages of the FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} ratio from all samples in the stated latitude range. The standard deviations were significantly smaller when the calibration curve was used to calculate the ratio relative to the measured ratios. From the correlation curves the ratio FC_{r}/FC_{CFC-11} decreases with increasing FC_{CFC-11} , i.e., the fractional chlorine release of the halons and CH₃Br is highest at the lowest fractional chlorine release of CCl₃F. In addition, we observed a latitudinal dependence of FC_x/FC_{CFC-11}, with tropical values of the ratio larger than midlatitude values (Table 6). These observations are a result of variability in the distribution of loss rates with altitude and latitude. In the lower tropical stratosphere the loss rate of CH₃Br is larger relative to the loss rate of CCl₃F as compared with the lower stratosphere at higher latitudes so the tropical FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} is larger. We did not observe significant seasonal differences in FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} for the halons or CH₃Br. For comparison we include in Table 6 values from Pollock et al. [1992] which were based on measurements from Airborne Arctic Stratospheric Experiment I between 69°N and 79°N and were calculated from FC_{CFC-11} 0.5-1.0. The Pollock et al. [1992] $CH_3Br FC_x/FC_{CFC-11}$ values are comparable to the values calculated between FC_{CFC-11} 0.53-0.85 from this study. However, the Pollock et al. [1992] CBrF₃ FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} values are larger than the values calculated here, while the FC_r/FC_{CFC-11} values for CBrClF₂ and CBrF₂CBrF₂ are smaller. The differences are likely due to uncertainties in the halon entry mixing ratios for 1985 required for the Pollock et al. [1992]



Figure 12. Correlation between the fractional dissociation of CCl_3F and the fractional dissociation of (a) $CBrF_3$, (b) $CBrF_2CBrF_2$, (c) CH_3Br , and (d) $CBrClF_2$.

CBrClF₂ CH₂Br CBrF₂ C₂Br₂F₄ s.d. s.d. Average Average s.d. Average s.d. Average From correlation curves 0.21 0.13 0.14 0.62 0.07 1.41 1.30 Average from all data 1.25 0.1-0.85 FCCFC-11 1.60 0.14 0.20 0.97 0.36 2.31 1.04 Average 0-0.2 FCCFC-11 1.57 0.02 0.07 1.38 0.04 0.04 0.59 1.54 Average 0.2-0.4 FCCFC-11 1.35 0.03 0.05 1.27 Average 0.4-0.6 FC_{CFC-11} 1.23 0.04 0.57 0.01 1.35 0.05 0.04 0.02 1.16 0.04 0.63 1.19 Average 0.6-0.85 FCCFC-11 1.10 0.62 0.03 1.22 0.06 1.18 0.05 0.05 Average .53-.85 FCCFC-11 1.12 From measurements 1.40 0.33 0.32 1.58 0.44 Average all data, n=958 1.39 0.28 0.68 0.42 2.27 0.49 1.71 0.48 0.27 0.80 2°S-10°N, n=163 1.71 0.30 1.44 0.19 1.30 0.23 0.22 0.68 20°-40°N, n=580 1.32 0.15 1.26 0.15 40°-60°N. n=179 1.18 0.07 0.58 0.20 1.34 0.20 1.36 0.17 1.28 0.19 37°-60°N, n=33 1.19 0.13 0.59 0.92 0.17 1.04 0.12 0.84 0.25 Pollock et al. [1992] 1.08 0.14

Table 6. Calculations of the Fractional Dissociation of the Halons and CH₃Br Relative to CFC-11 (FC_x/FC_{CFC-11}) Using Correlation Curves of FC_x versus FC_{CFC-11} and by Averaging FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} Over Latitude Groups

calculations. The first reported measurements of a temporal trend for $CBrF_3$ and $CBrClF_2$ were by *Butler et al.* [1992] and for $CBrF_2CBrF_2$ were by *Butler et al.* [1998].

The differences in FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} will affect calculations of ODP (and EESC). Table 7 presents ODP calculations using the FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} for the halons and CH₃Br from the three latitude groups, from $37^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ N (chosen to represent midlatitudes), and from FC_{CFC-11} 0.53-0.85 (the latter value was chosen to correspond to the range used by *Pollock et al.* [1992]. ODP at a given latitude θ and altitude z was calculated by

ODP $(\theta, z) = (FC_x/FC_{CFC-11}) (\alpha) [(\tau_x / \tau_{CFC-11})$ $(M_{CFC-11}/M_x) (n_x/3)]$

or

ODP
$$(\theta, z) = (BEF) (BLP)$$

where α is the enhanced ability of a bromine atom to destroy ozone relative to a chlorine atom and BLP is the bromine loading potential

BLP =
$$(\tau_x / \tau_{CPC-11}) (M_{CPC-11} / M_x) (n_x / 3)$$

where τ_x is the lifetime of species x, τ_{CFC-11} is the lifetime of CCl₃F, M_{CFC-11} and M_x are the molecular weights of CCl₃F and species x, respectively, and n_x is the number of bromine atoms per molecule for species x [Pollock et al., 1992]. The bromine efficiency factor (BEF) is the product of FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} and α and represents the amount of stratospheric ozone removed per unit mass of species x delivered to the stratosphere relative to CCl₃F [Butler and Rodriguez, 1996]. The ODPs were calculated using a lifetime of 50 years for CCl₃F [Solomon et al., 1995] and α of 50 (J. Daniel, personal communication, 1997).

The ODP for each species decreased with increasing latitude as a result of variations in FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} with latitude. The ODPs calculated using the averages from 37° -60°N and from FC_{CFC-11} 0.53-0.85 showed a difference of 5-10%, depending on the differences in FC_x/FC_{CFC-11}. The CH₃Br ODP calculations for 37°-60°N and FC_{CFC-11} 0.53-0.85 were 0.40 and 0.38, respectively, which agreed well with the most recent ODP calculation of 0.43 from Butler and Rodriguez [1996] (Table 7). The discrepancy between the current calculations of CH₃Br ODP and the CH₂Br ODP calculations from Pollock et al. [1992] and Solomon et al. [1995] was primarily due to the use of a longer lifetime for CH3Br in the latter reports. The CBrF3 ODP calculation from FC_{CFC-11} 0.53-0.85 was 12.4, which was comparable to the 12.5 and 12.8 calculations from Pollock et al. [1992] and Solomon et al. [1995], respectively. The ODP values agreed, even though the fractional dissociation reported here was smaller, because of the different values used for α (Table 7). The ODP calculations for CBrF2CBrF2 for 37°-60°N and FCCFC-11 0.53-0.85 were 9.6 and 8.6, respectively, which were larger than the 6.1 calculated by Pollock et al. [1992]. This was a result of the larger FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} and α , i.e., BEF, used in this report. The ODP calculations for CBrClF2 for 37°-60°N and FCCFC-11 0.53-0.85 were 7.1 and 6.5, respectively, which is also larger than the 4.1 calculated by Pollock et al. [1992]. As with CBrF₂CBrF₂, this is primarily a result of the larger FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} and α used in this report. It is clear from Table 7 that the calculated ODP of a given trace gas is dependent on the values chosen for FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} , α , and the CCl_3F and trace gas lifetimes. The fractional dissociation of one trace gas relative to another will vary as a function of the loss distribution of the two gases. A cosine-weighted average of FC will give a global area-weighted average [Daniel et al., 1996]; however, by definition this approach tends to weigh more heavily toward the low latitudes. The greatest loss of ozone is in the mid-high latitudes rather than the tropics, so for global ODP considerations, it seems appropriate to use the FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} values averaged over the mid-high latitudes, which corresponds to the region of greatest loss of CCl₃F at ER-2 altitudes. The 0.53-0.85 range from the correlation curves represents the average FC_x/FC_{CPC-11} when

	Lifetime of Compound	Lifetime of CFC-11	BLP -	Fractional Dissociation	α	BEF	ODP	Reference
CH ₃ Br	1.3	50	0.013			48.0	0.62	WMO [1995]
	1.5	55	0.013	1.08	40	43.0	0.56	Pollock et al. [1992]
	0.8	50	0.008			54.0	0.43	Butler and Rodriguez [1996]
37-60°N	0.7	50	0.0068	1.19	50	59.5	0.40	this work
0.53-0.85 FC _{CFC-11}	0.7	50	0.0068	1.12	50	56.0	0.38	this work
2°S-10°N	0.7	50	0.0068	1.71	50	85.5	0.58	this work
20-40"N	0.7	50	0.0068	1.32	50	66.0	0.45	this work
40-60°N	0.7	50	0.0068	1.18	50	59.0	0.40	this work
CBrF3	67	55	0.37	0.84	40	33.6	12.5	Pollock et al. [1992]
-	65	50	0.40	0.80	40	32.0	12.8	WMO [1995]
37-60°N	65	50	0.40	0.59	50	29.5	11.8	this work
0.53-0.85 FC _{CFC-11}	65	50	0.40	0.62	50	31.0	12.4	this work
2°S-10°N	65	50	0.40	0.80	50	40.0	16.0	this work
20-40°N	65	50	0.40	0.68	50	34.0	13.6	this work
40-60°N	65	50	0.40	0.58	50	29.0	11.6	this work
C ₂ Br ₂ F ₄	26	55	0.166	0.92	40	36.8	6.1	Pollock et al. [1992]
37-60°N	20	50	0.141	1.36	50	68.0	9.6	this work
0.53-0.85 FC _{CFC-11}	20	50	0.141	1.22	50	61.0	8.6	this work
2°S-10°N	20	50	0.141	2.27	50	113.5	16.0	this work
20-40°N	20	50	0.141	1.44	50	72.0	10.2	this work
40-60°N	20	50	0.141	1.34	50	67.0	9.4	this work
CBrClF ₂	19.4	55	0.0980	1.04	40	41.6	4.1	Pollock et al. [1992]
37-60°N	20	50	0.1108	1.28	50	64.0	7.1	this work
0.53-0.85 FC _{CFC-11}	20	50	0.1108	1.18	50	59.0	6.5	this work
2°S-10'N	20	50	0.1108	1.71	50	85.5	9.5	this work
20-40°N	20	50	0.1108	1.30	50	65.0	7.2	this work
40-60°N	20	50	0.1108	1.26	50	63.0	7.0	this work

Table 7. ODP Calculations for the Halons and CH₃Br Using FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} by Latitude Averages and by Ranges of FC_{CFC-11} From the Correlation Curves

For comparison, we include previously published ODPs. BLP, bromine loading potential; BEF, bromine efficiency factor.

>50% of CCl₃F has been photolyzed. The use of these values would be consistent with previous ODP calculations of CH₃Br, CBrF₃ and CBrClF₂ which were based on FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} values obtained from high-latitude samples that corresponded to FC_{CFC-11} values >0.5 [*Pollock et al.*, 1992; *Butler and Rodriguez*, 1996].

5. Summary

Measurements of organic bromine compounds from whole air samples collected during the NASA STRAT and PEM Tropics Campaigns in 1996 were utilized to evaluate the following: latitudinal distributions in the troposphere; vertical distributions in the troposphere and lower stratosphere; total bromine values and distributions; the fractional contributions of the individual compounds to the total organic bromine in the upper troposphere and lower stratosphere; the fractional dissociation of the halons and CH_3Br relative to CCl_3F in the lower stratosphere; and the ODP of the halons and CH_3Br .

The comprehensive latitudinal coverage of PEM Tropics flights allowed us to present the first detailed description of latitudinal distributions of CH₂Br₂, CHBr₃, CHBrCl₂, CHBr₂Cl, and the halons from 70°S to 40°N. The short-lived species all showed larger mixing ratios in the tropics relative to the midlatitudes of either hemisphere, suggesting marine sources of these trace gases in this region. CH₂Br₂ also showed slightly larger mixing ratios in the Southern Hemisphere relative to the Northern Hemisphere. The latitudinal gradients of the halons were comparable to their growth rates. The latitudinal distribution of CH₃Br mixing ratios was comparable to previously measured distributions at the surface and showed a north to south hemispheric ratio of 1.18. The latitudinal distribution of total organic bromine showed larger mixing ratios in the 5°S-20°N region (21.9 ppt) relative to the mean of the Northern and Southern Hemisphere midlatitude regions (20.0 ppt). The average total organic bromine value from all regions was 20.9 ± 2.5 ppt.

Significant vertical gradients in the troposphere were observed for CHBr₃, CHBrCl₂, and CHBr₂Cl. Mixing ratios of these gases were 40-70% smaller in the upper troposphere relative to the lower troposphere. Tropospheric gradients were not evident in vertical distributions of the halons. The tropospheric gradient of CH3Br mixing ratios was lowest in the tropics with ~3% smaller values in the upper troposphere relative to the lower troposphere, while the midlatitudes showed ~10% smaller values in the upper troposphere. Based on measurements presented here and those previously published, we suggest a likely range for the vertical gradient in CH₃Br of 0-15%. The greatest difference between the lower and upper tropospheric measurements of total organic bromine was found in the tropics and was a result of the greater degree of loss of short-lived species in the upper tropical troposphere. The range of the mean, ±1 s.d. for total organic bromine in the upper troposphere from 21°-41°N was 17.0-21.3 ppt, while the range in the tropics was 16.3-18.7 ppt.

Mixing ratios of the individual bromine compounds decreased between the tropopause and 20 km by differing amounts depending on the season and the stratospheric lifetime of the individual species. All compounds showed slightly higher loss in midlatitudes in January relative to July because of the greater degree of downward transport in midlatitudes in winter. The combined losses of the individual compounds resulted in a loss of total organic bromine between the tropopause and 20 km of 38% in the January tropics, 40% in the July tropics, 85% in January midlatitudes, and 75% in July midlatitudes.

The combined fractional contribution to total organic bromine in midlatitudes by CH_2Br_2 , $CHBr_3$, CH_2BrCl , $CHBrCl_2$, and $CHBr_2Cl$ decreased from ~30% near the surface to ~15% at the tropopause. At 20 km the contribution decreased to <4%. Collectively, these compounds represent a significant contribution to tropospheric organic bromine. In the lower stratosphere, CH_2Br_2 is the greatest contributor from the shortlived species and represents from ~9% of total organic bromine at the tropopause to <3% at 20 km. In addition, *Ko et al.* [1997] suggest that inorganic bromine from the tropospheric degradation of these short-lived species may be a significant source of bromine to the stratosphere. Based on the difference between tropical surface and tropopause values of total organic bromine, this source could be up to 5 ppt of bromine.

The fractional contribution to total organic bromine by CH_3Br was 55-60% in the lower stratosphere in all samples. The fractional contribution decreased in the troposphere because of the enhanced contribution by short-lived species. At the tropical tropopause the contributions from the halons increased in 1996 relative to 1992, resulting in a decrease in the contribution from CH_3Br .

The fractional halogen release of a given halocarbon relative to CCl₃F (FC_x/FC_{CFC-11}) is an important term in calculations of ODP and equivalent effective stratospheric chlorine. Using correlations of the fractional halogen release of the halons and CH₃Br (FC_x) versus the fractional chlorine release of CCl₃F (FC_{CFC-11}), we calculated FC_x/FC_{CFC-11}. We found that the FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} values showed a latitudinal gradient with highest values in the tropics and lowest values in the 40°-60°N latitude range for all species. We also found that FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} decreased with increasing FC_{CFC-11}, i.e., we observed the greatest fractional chlorine release of the halons and CH_3Br at the lowest fractional chlorine release of CCl_3F .

We used the FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} values to calculate the ODP for each halon and CH₃Br using a CCl₃F lifetime of 50 years and an α of 50. The ODPs varied in the same manner as the FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} values. ODPs calculated when >50% of CCl₃F had been photolyzed were comparable to previously published values for CH₃Br and CBrF₃, while the ODPs for CBrF₂CBrF₂ and CBrClF₂ were larger. Differences were primarily due to the recalculations of FC_x/FC_{CFC-11} and the chosen values of α and lifetimes.

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