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Microwave Observations of the Atmosphere at Kiruna, Sweden

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Outline

- the microwave instrument at IRF Kiruna
- ozone measurements
- tropospheric water vapour columns
- outlook

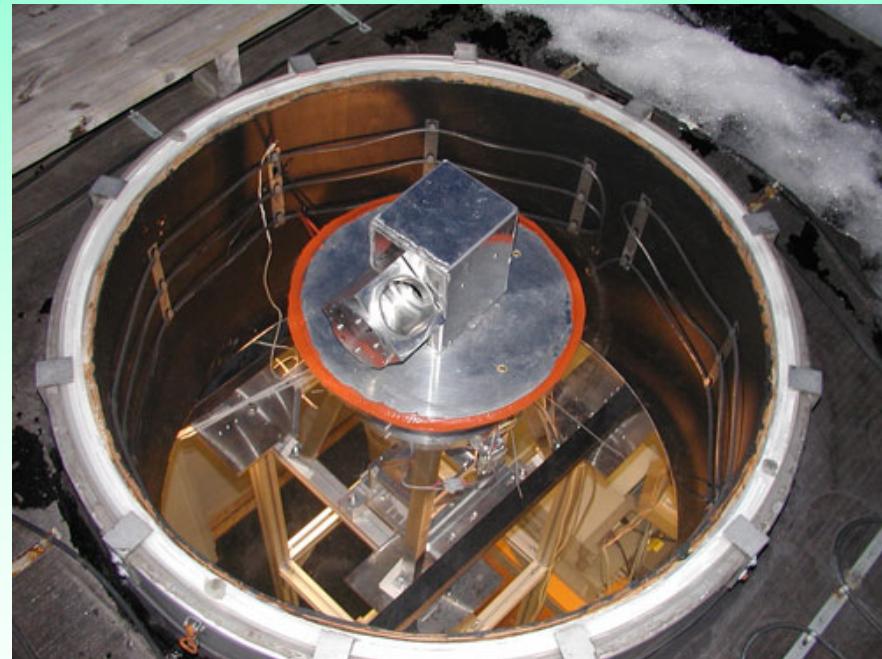
Geographical Location of Kiruna



The Kiruna Microwave Radiometer KIMRA at IRF Kiruna (67.84°N , 20.41°E , 425 m), Sweden

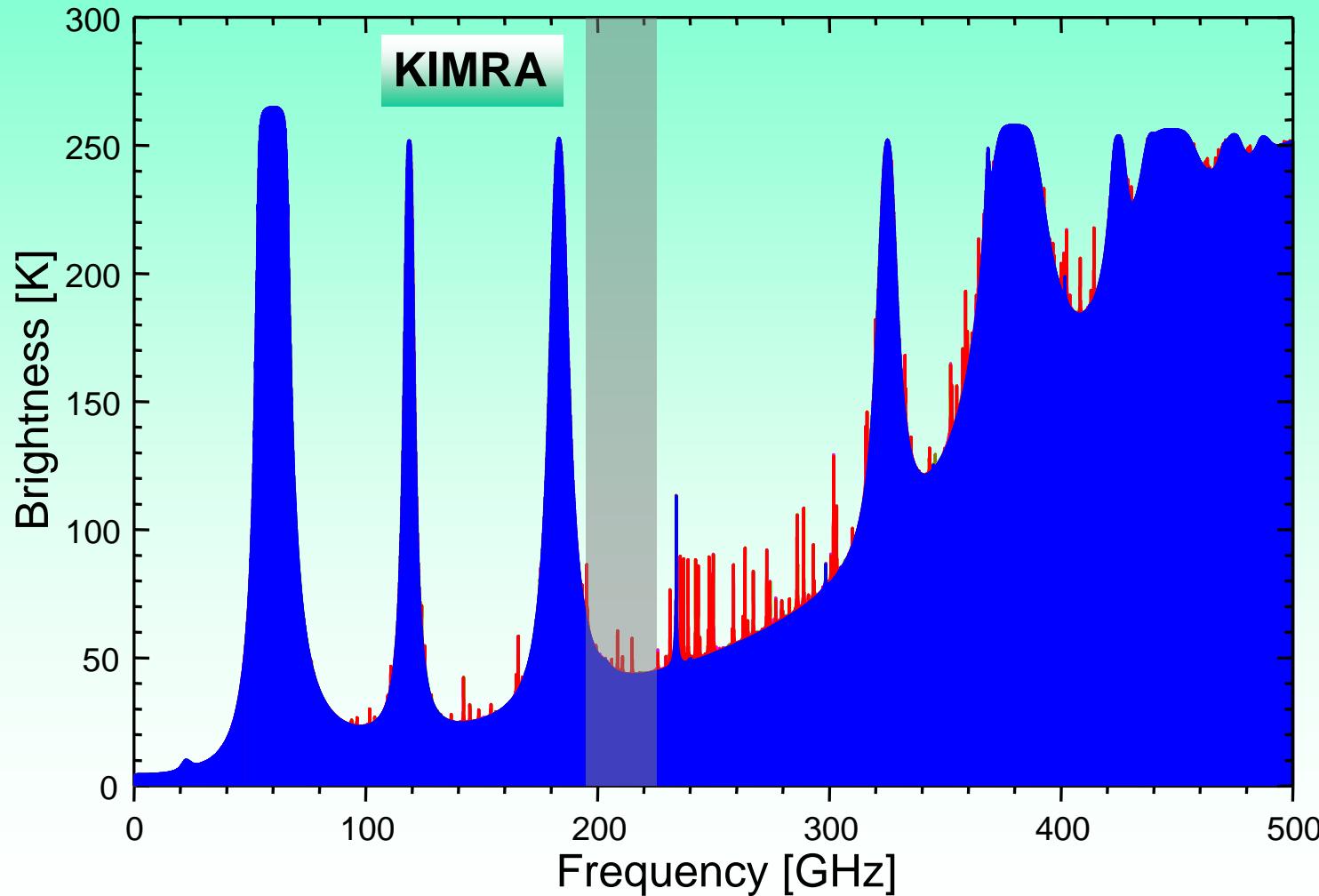
KIMRA (195-224 GHz)

The Periscope of KIMRA

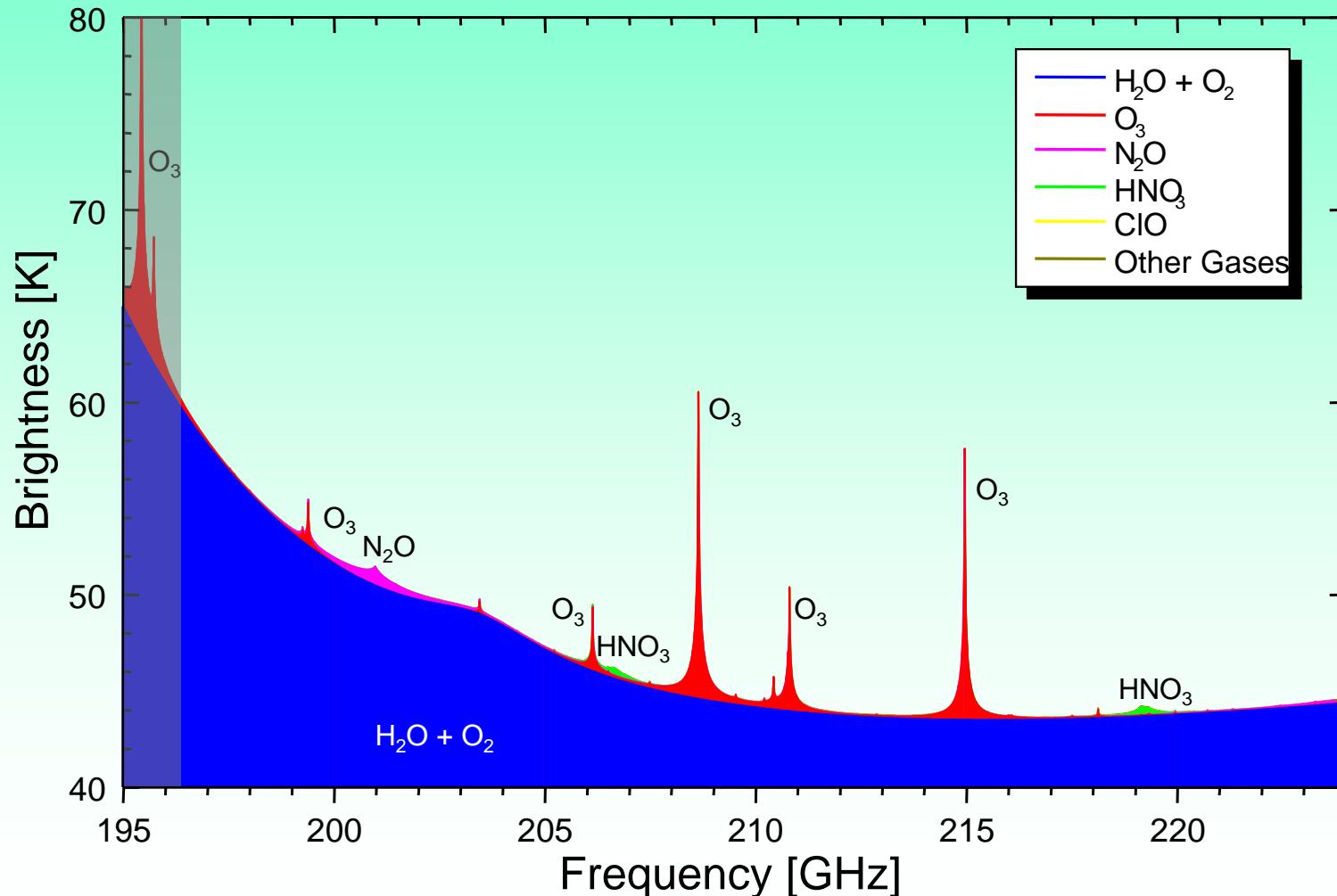


trace Gases: O_3 , (also N_2O , ClO , HNO_3 covered by the instrument)
begin of the measurements: spring 2002

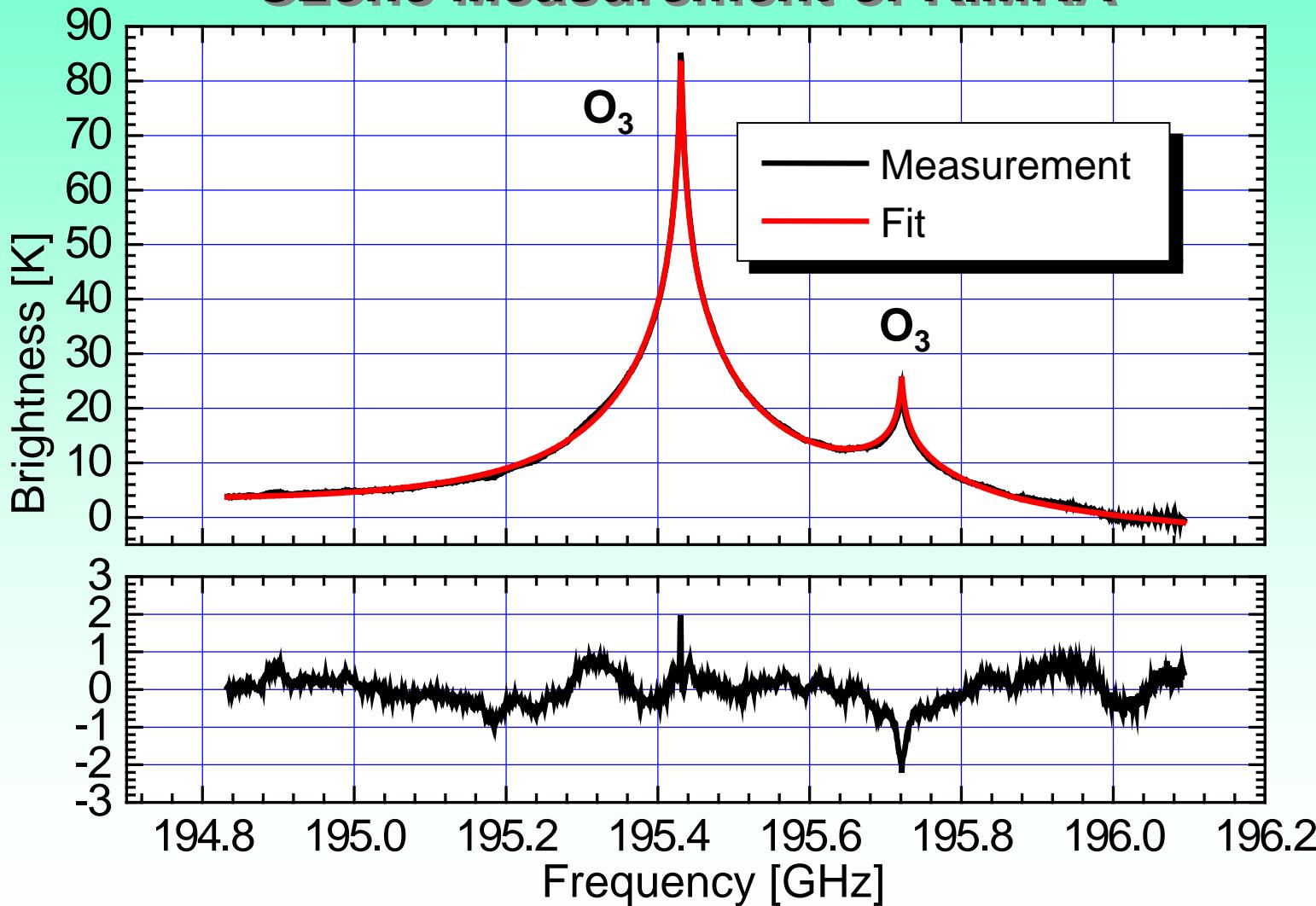
The Spectral Range 0-500 GHz as Seen From Ground



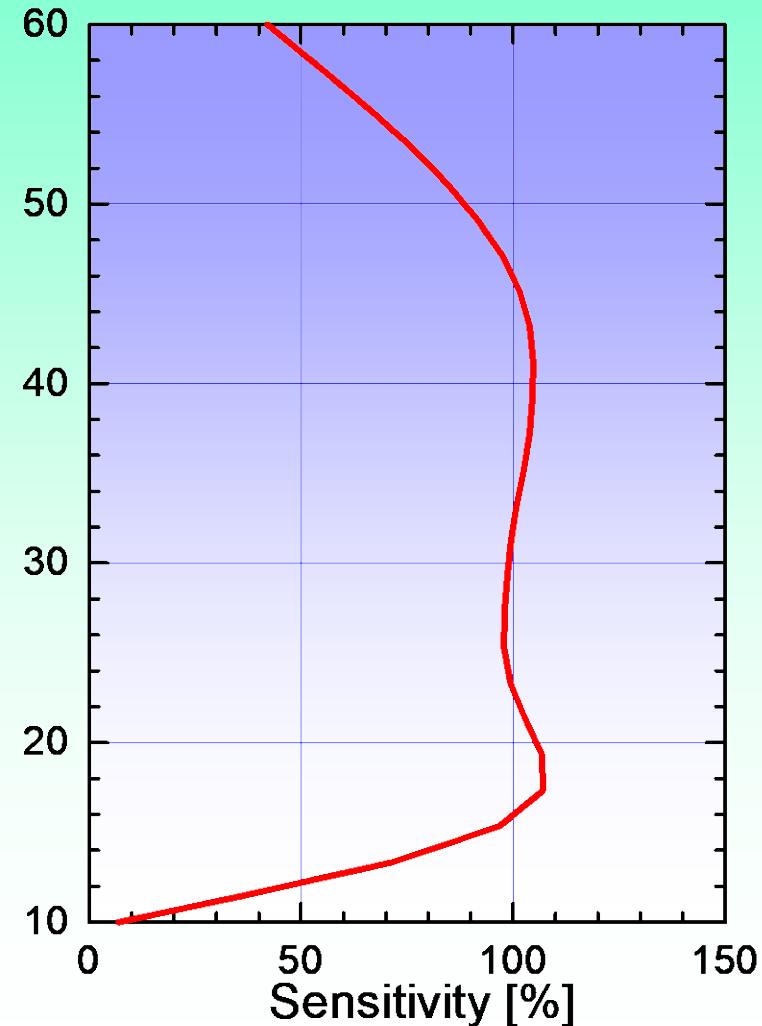
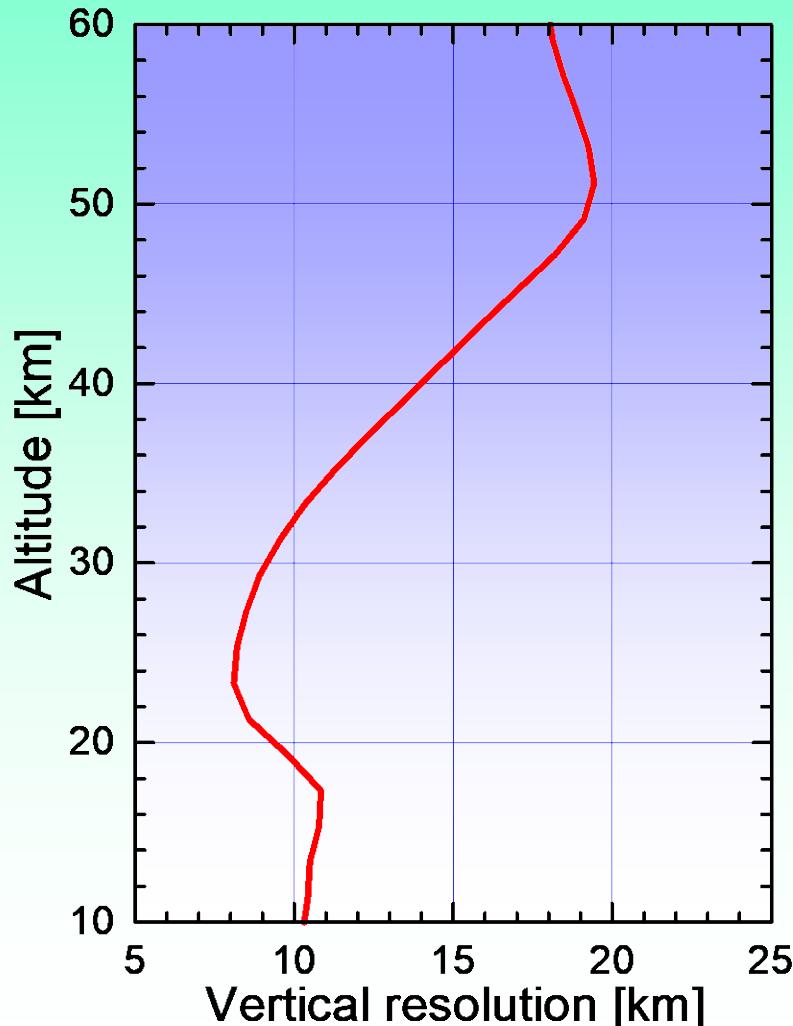
The Spectral Range 195-224 GHz as Seen From Ground



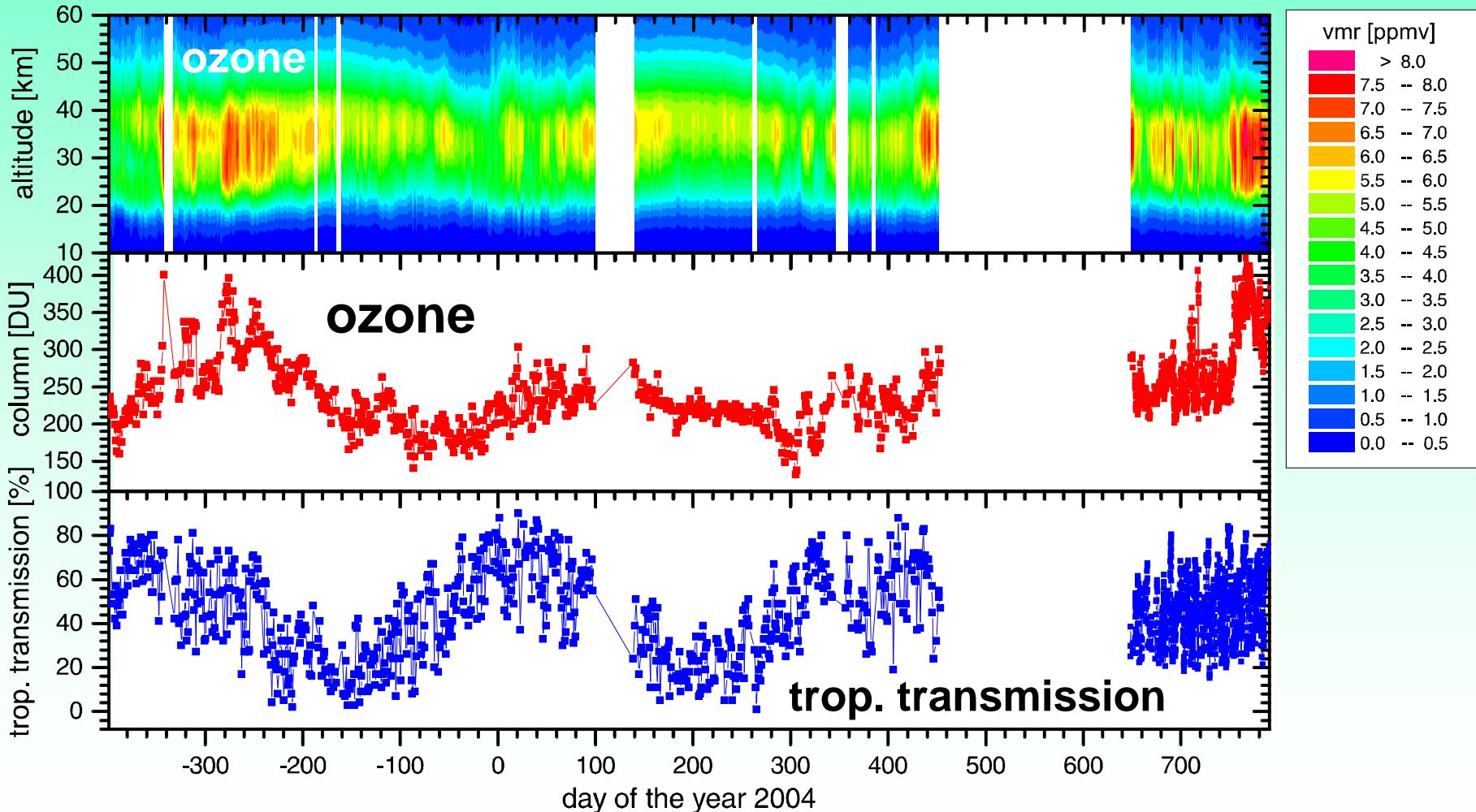
Ozone Measurement of KIMRA



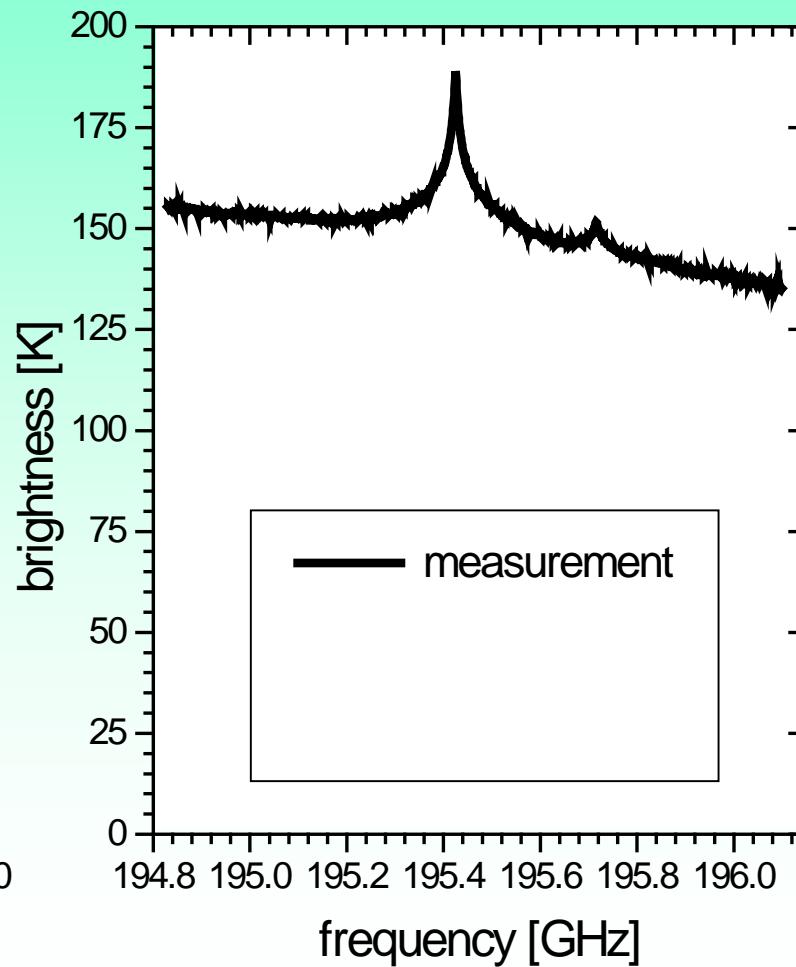
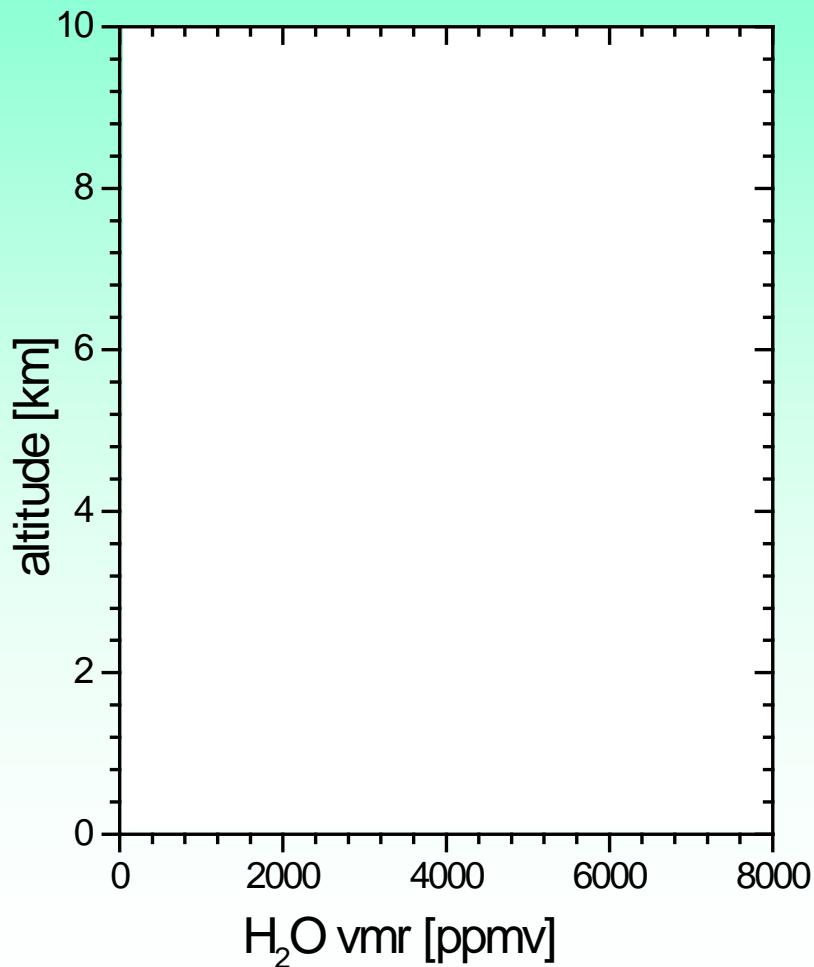
Vertical Resolution and Sensitivity of the Retrieved Profiles



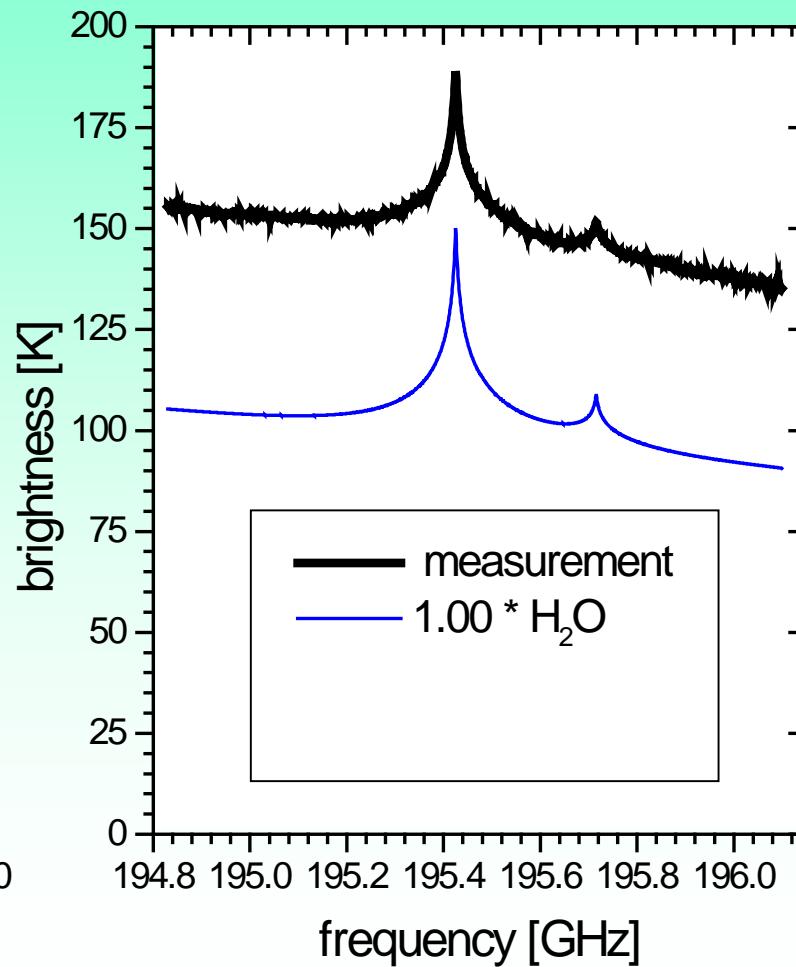
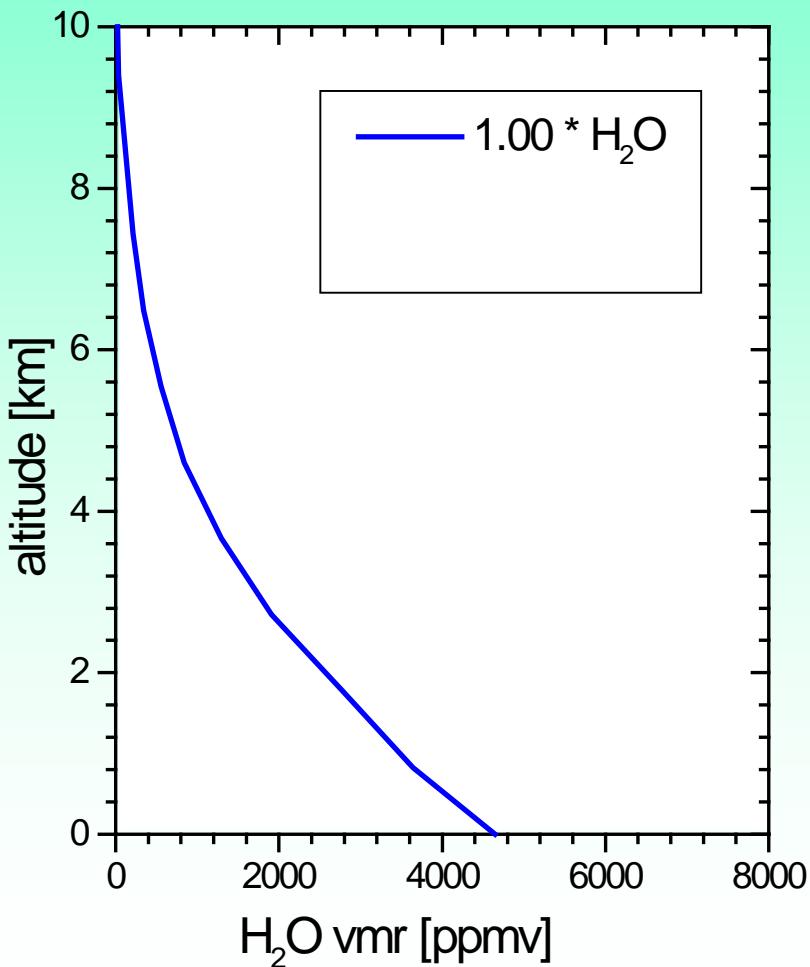
Measurement Results of KIMRA at IRF Kiruna between 28 November 2002 and 30 March 2006



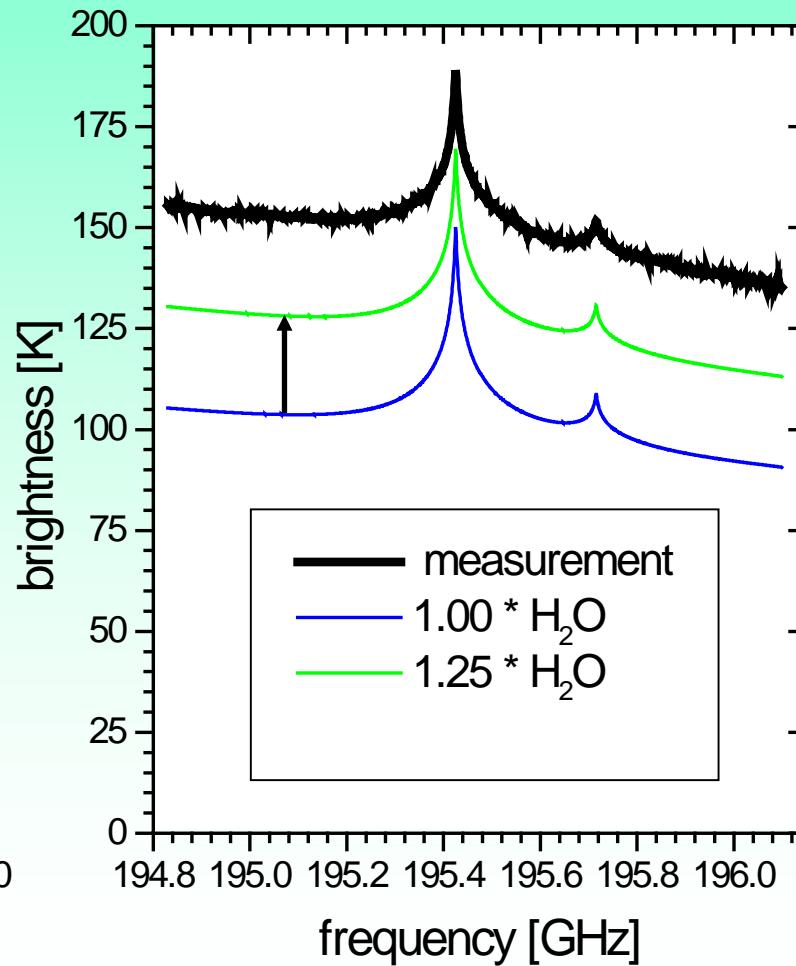
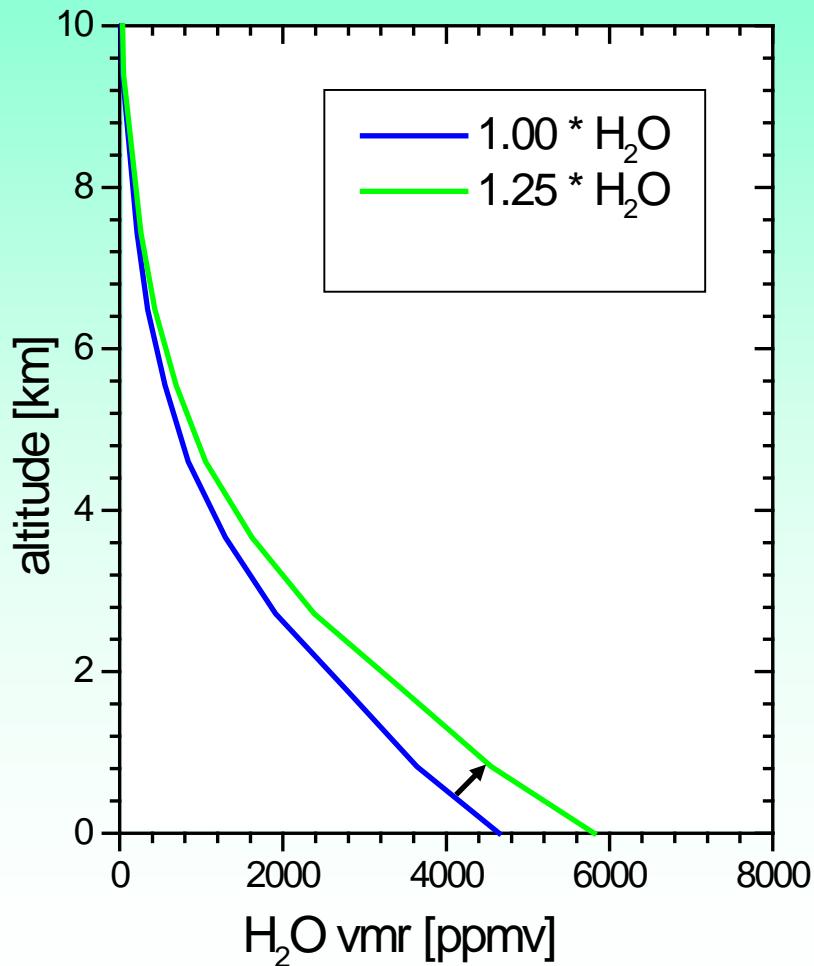
Retrieval of Tropospheric H₂O Column Densities from KIMRA Ozone Measurements



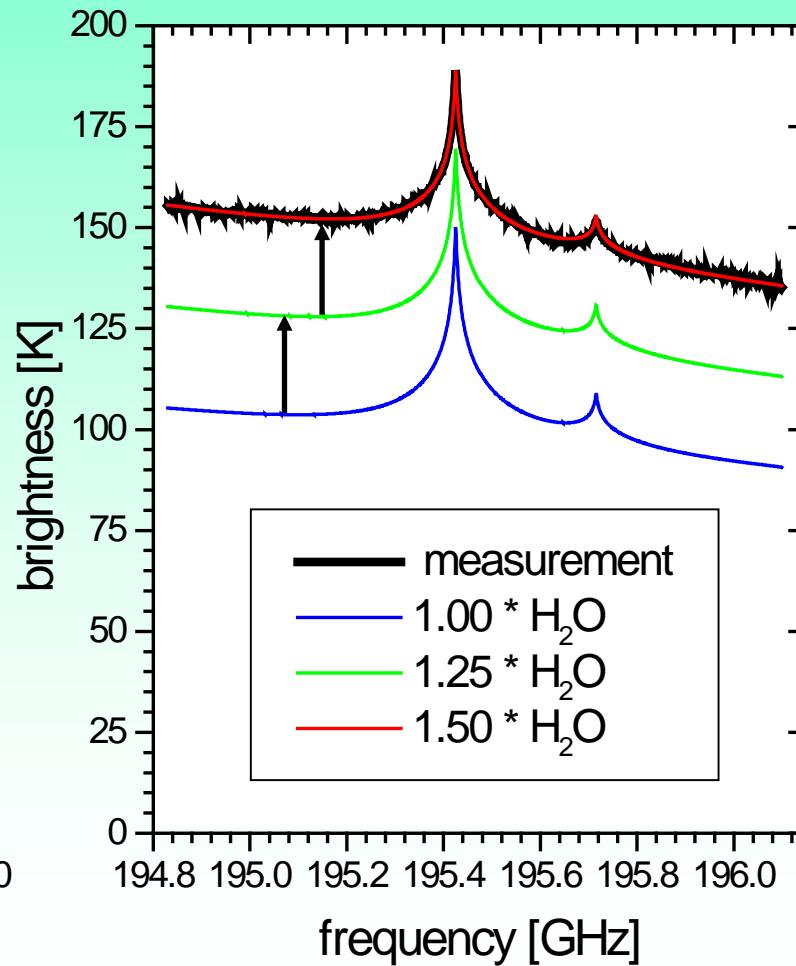
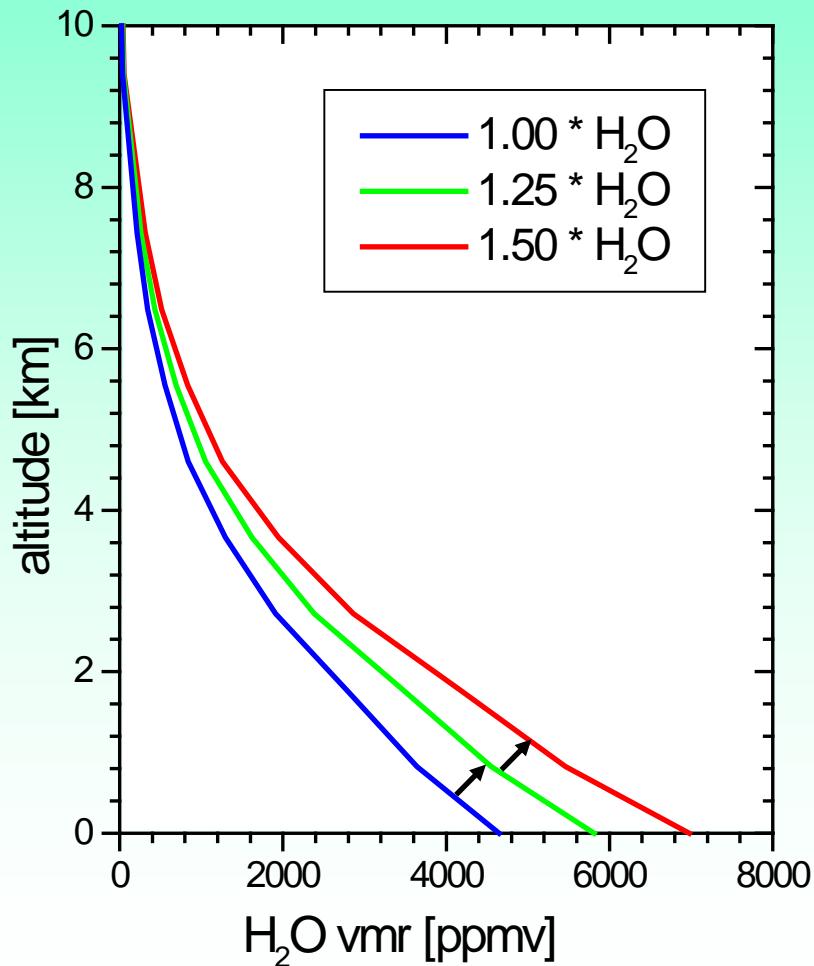
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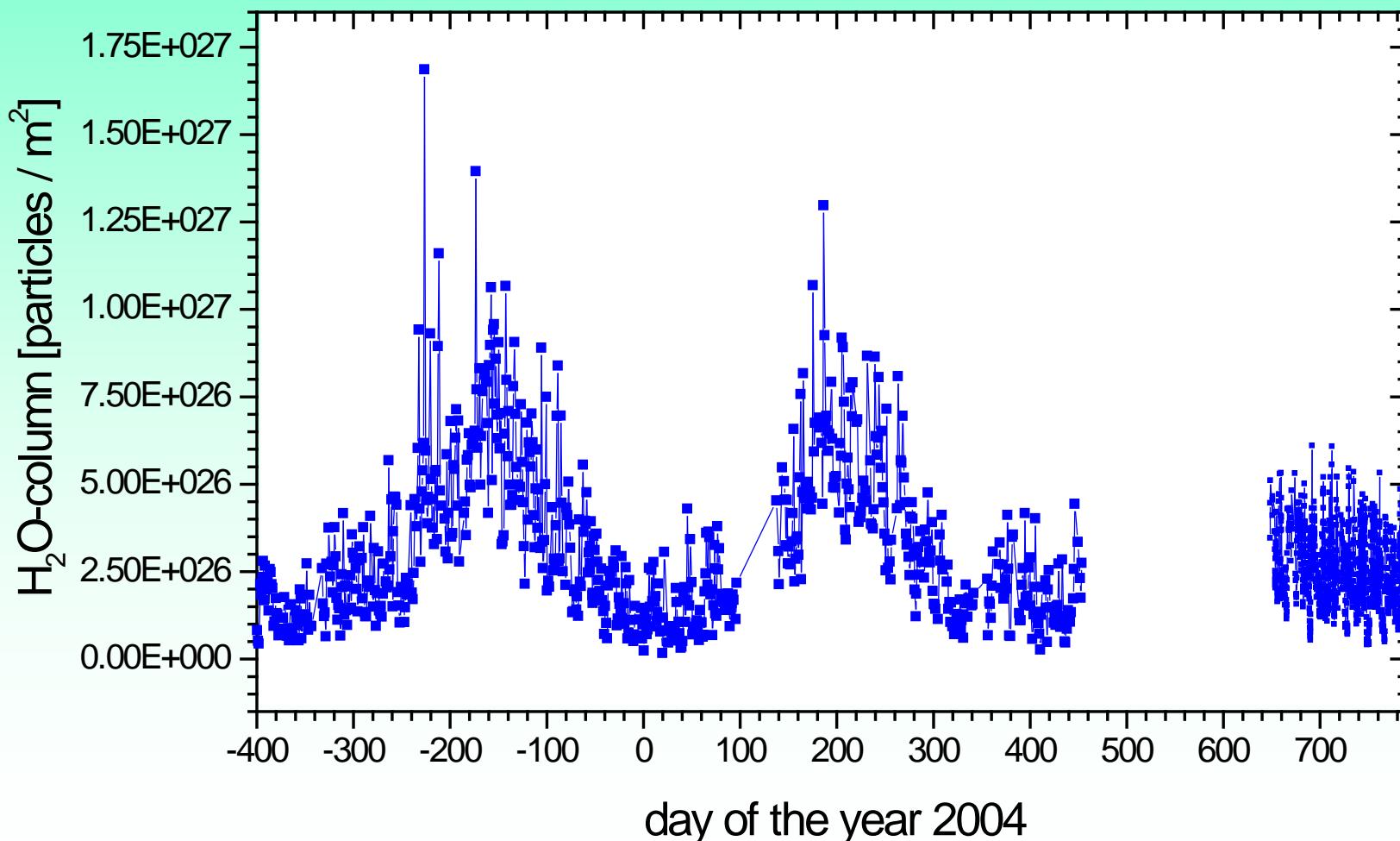
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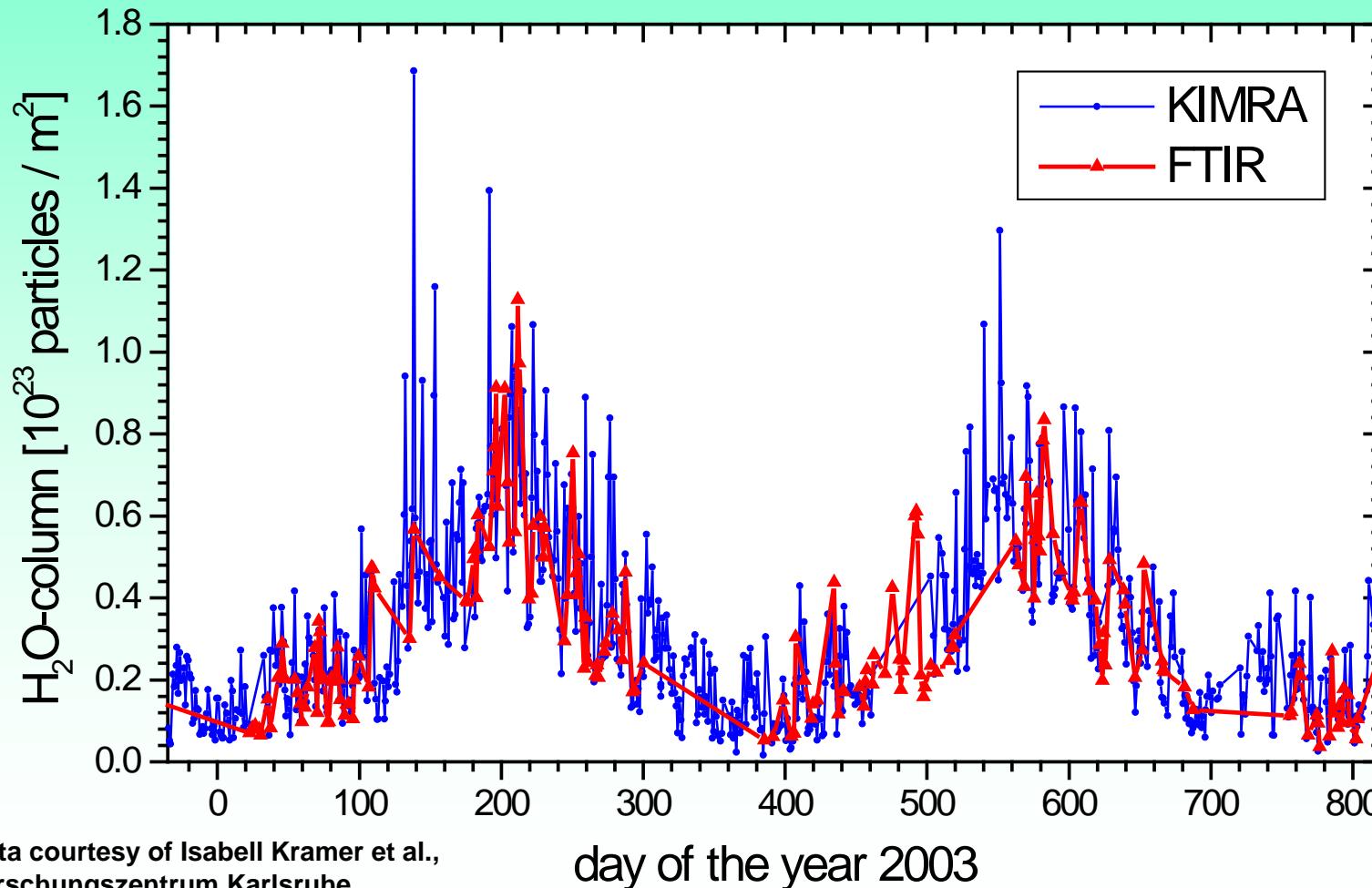
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Tropospheric H₂O Column Densities as Measured by KIMRA between 28 November 2002 and 30 March 2006



Comparison of KIMRA and FTIR H₂O Column Densities as Measured at Kiruna



FTIR-data courtesy of Isabell Kramer et al.,
IMK, Forschungszentrum Karlsruhe

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Outlook

- ozone measurements will be continued
- measurements of other trace gases covered by KIMRA
- enhance spectral resolution by a digital FFT analyzer
- new 22-GHz water vapour radiometer at IRF Kiruna?