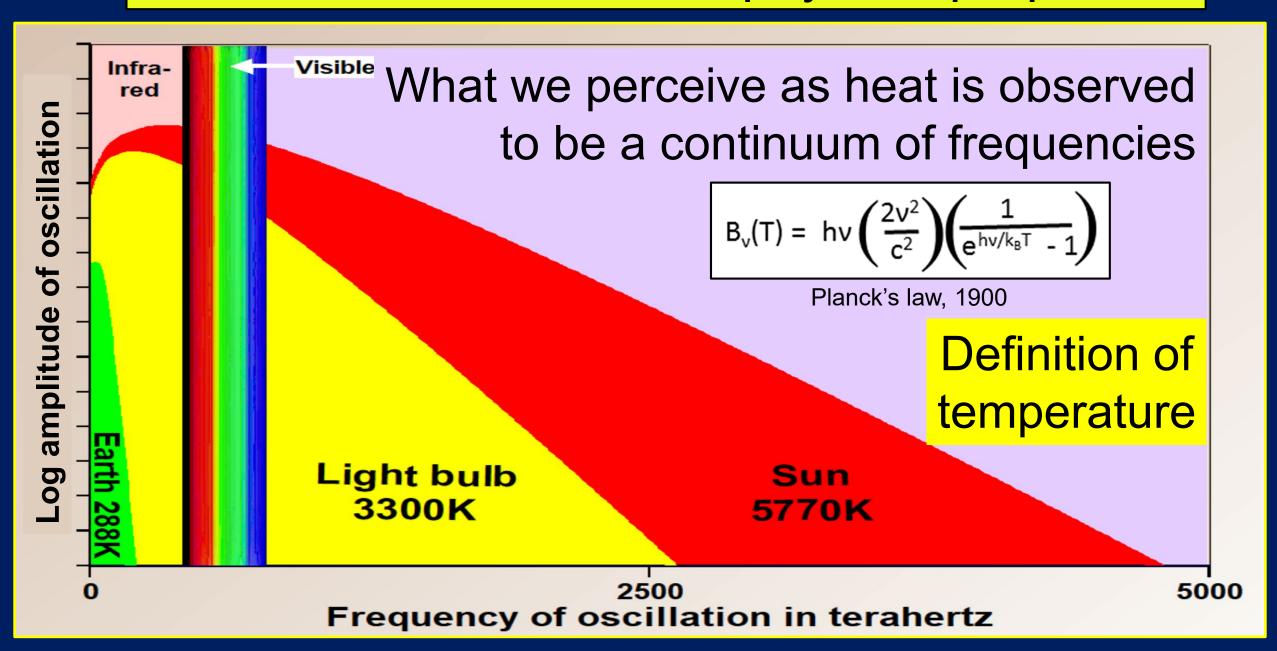
Greenhouse Gases Do Not Absorb Enough Heat To Cause Observed Warming

Heat is what a body of matter must absorb to get warmer and emit to get cooler.

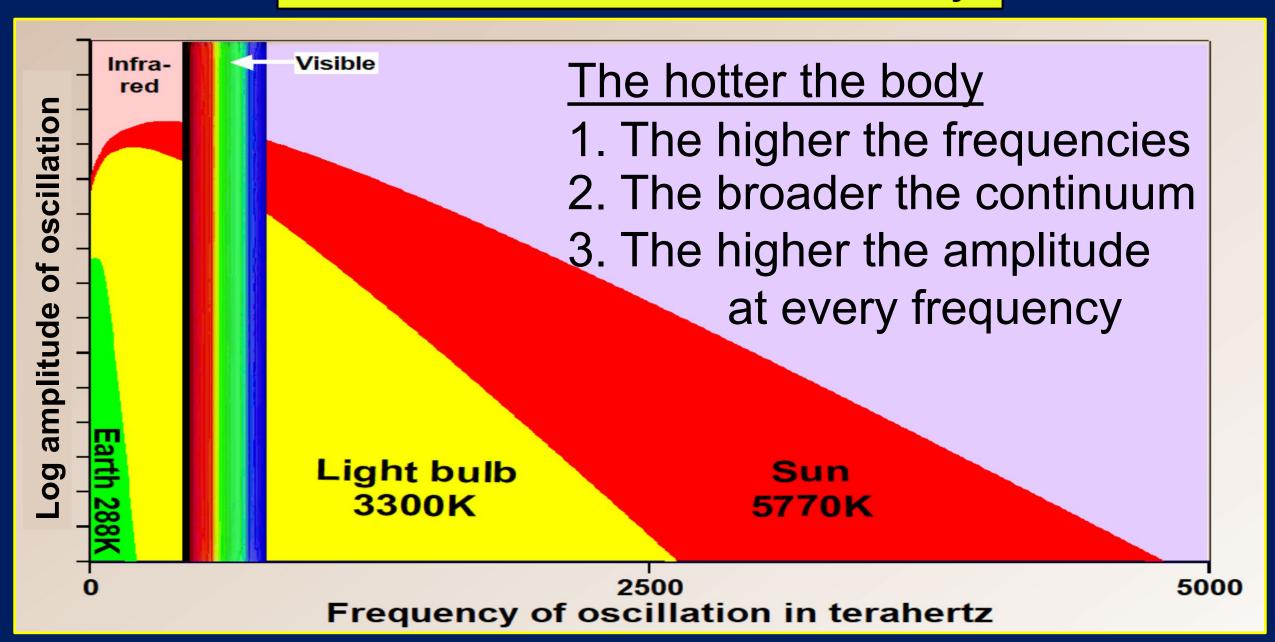
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Heat, Radiation, has two physical properties



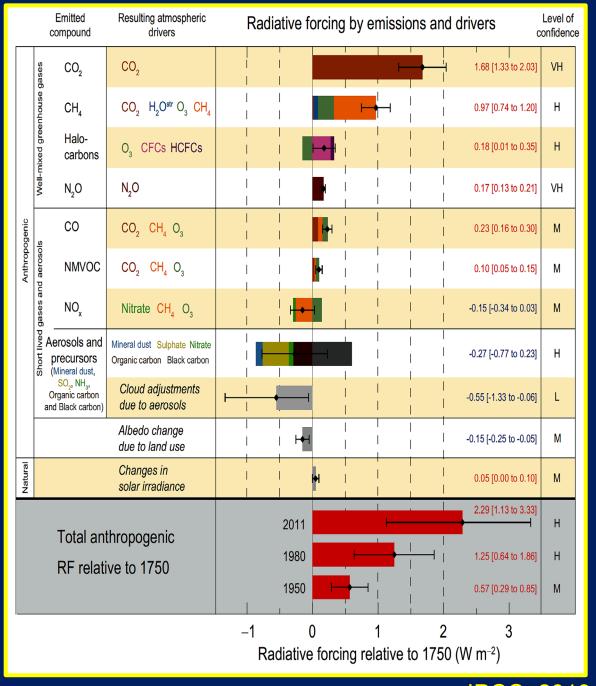
Radiation from a Black Body



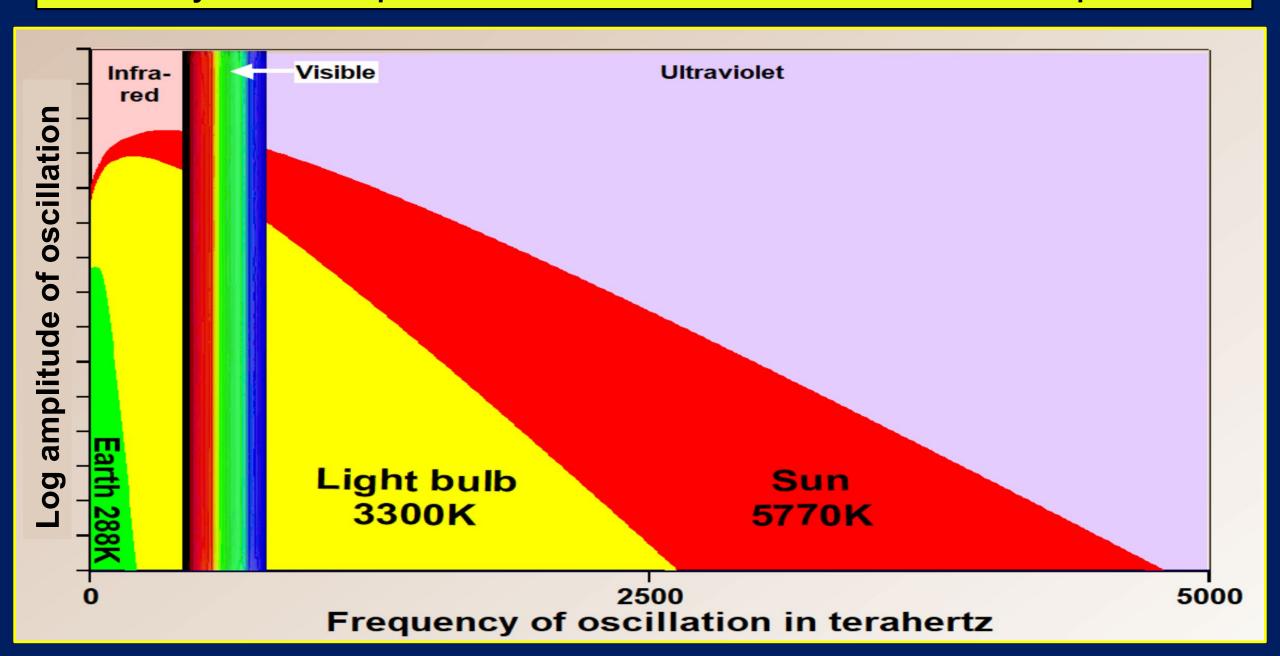
Greenhouse-warming theory is based on radiative forcing in Watts per square meter

Greenhouse-warming theory thinks of heat as an <u>amount</u> of some generic thing

That radiation from Sun is exactly the same as radiation from Earth except there is a lot more of it

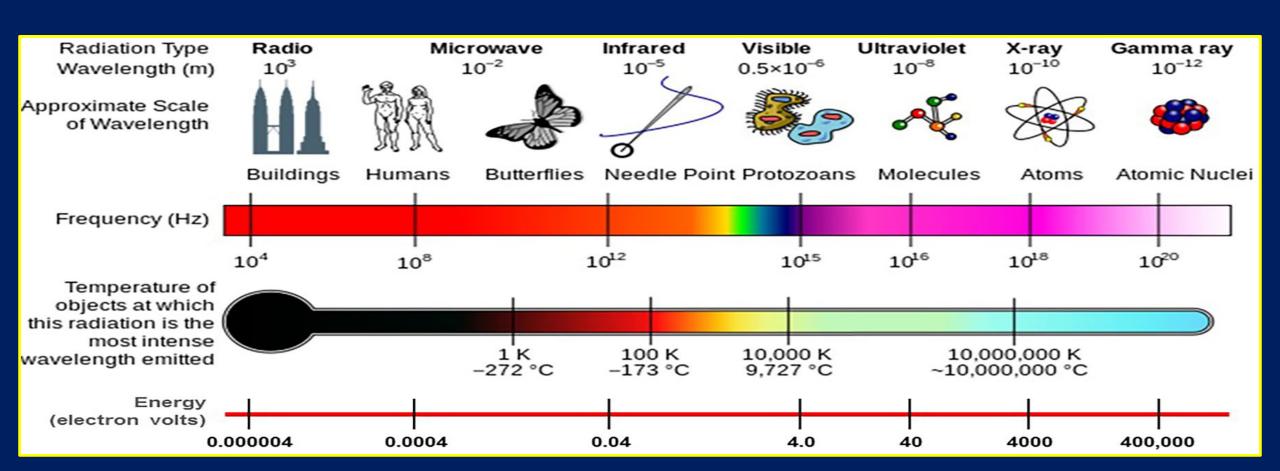


The Physical Properties of Heat are a Function of Temperature

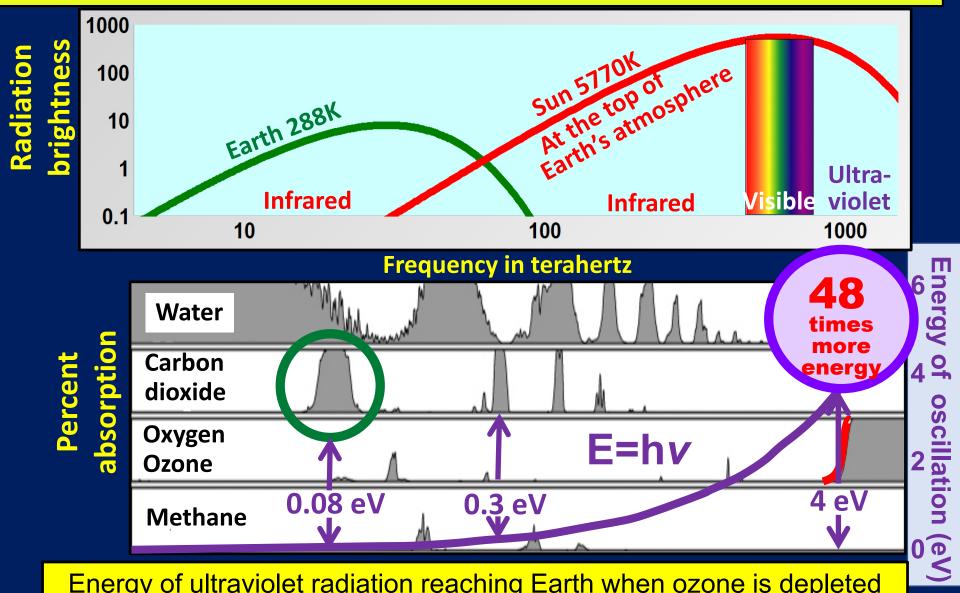


The Planck-Einstein Relation

E=hv

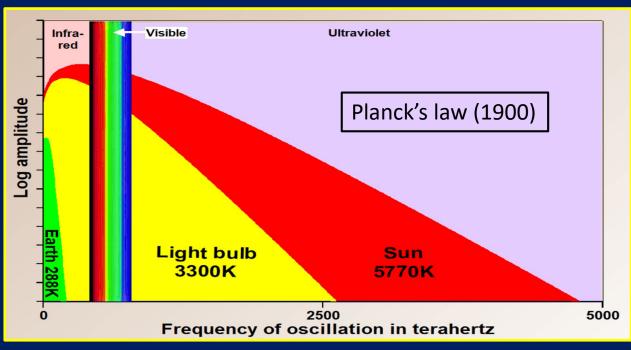


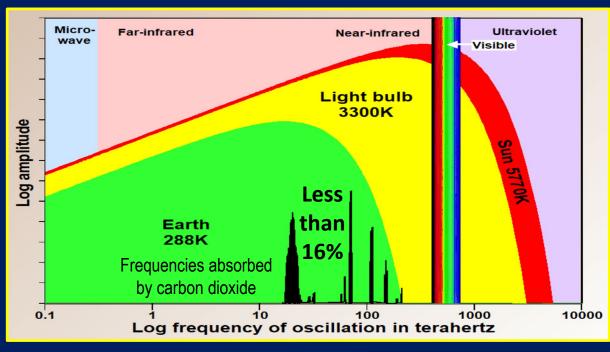
Energy absorbed by greenhouse gases

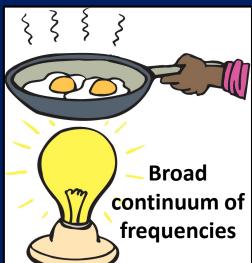


Energy of ultraviolet radiation reaching Earth when ozone is depleted is at least 48 times "hotter" than energy absorbed by greenhouse gases

Electromagnetic radiation is a broad continuum of frequencies

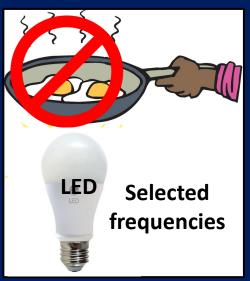






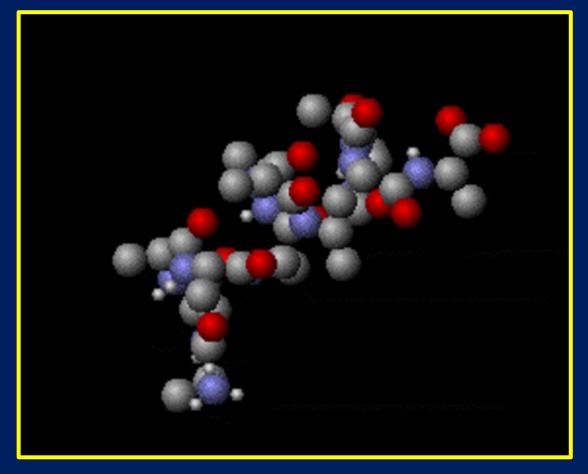
Greenhouse gases simply do not absorb a broad enough range of frequencies, that we perceive as heat, to be a significant cause of global warming.

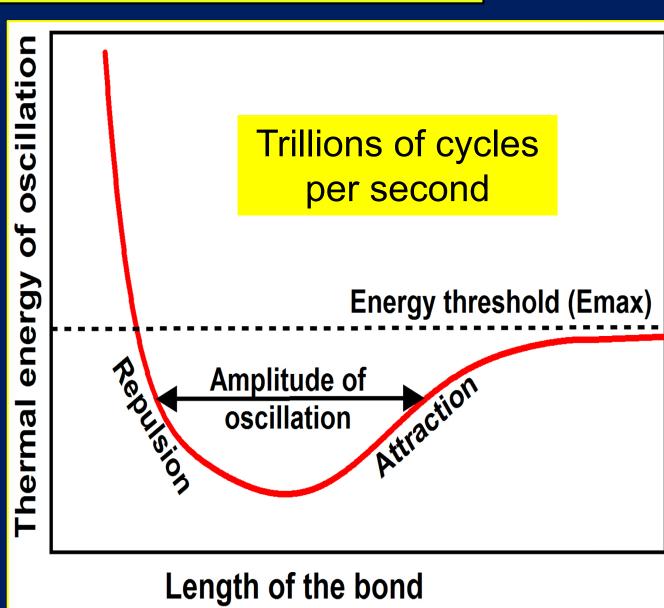
Greenhouse-warming theory appears to be mistaken.



Frequency of oscillation of what?

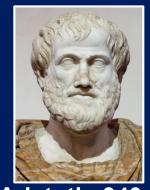
Frequency of oscillation of all the bonds holding matter together



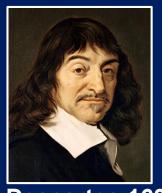




Waves



Aristotle 340 BC

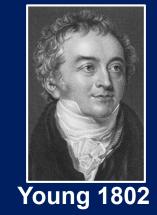


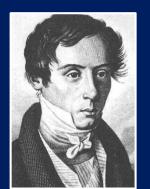
Descartes 1630



Huygens 1678 Hooke 1680







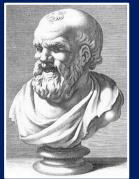
Fresnel 1814



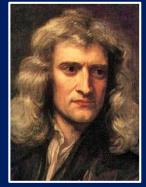
Faraday 1830 Maxwell 1865



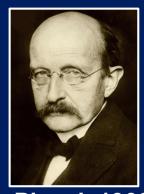
Particles



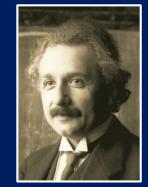
Democritus 410 BC Alhazen 1000



Newton 1702

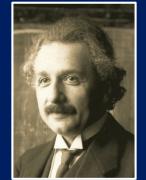


Planck 1900



Einstein 1905

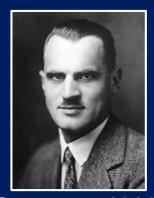
Wave particle duality



Einstein 1905

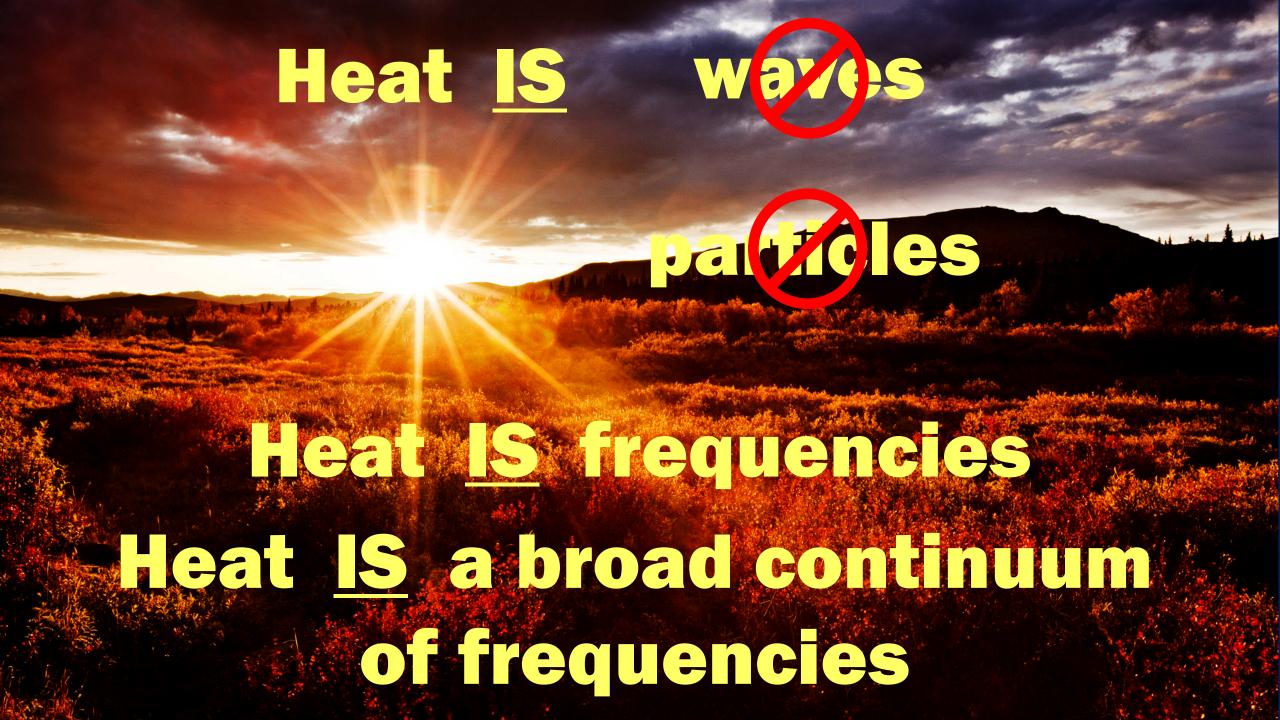


Bohr 1912

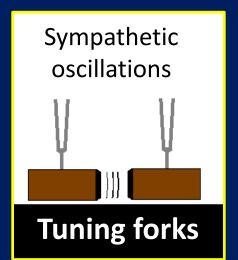


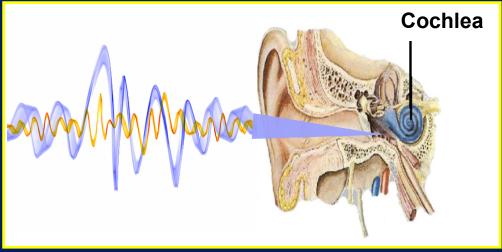


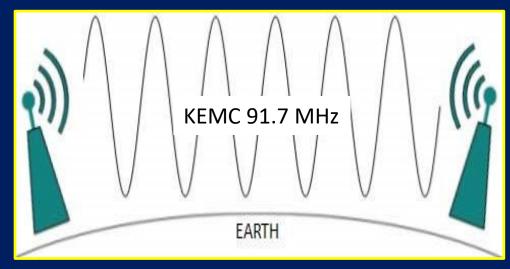
Compton 1922 de Broglie 1924

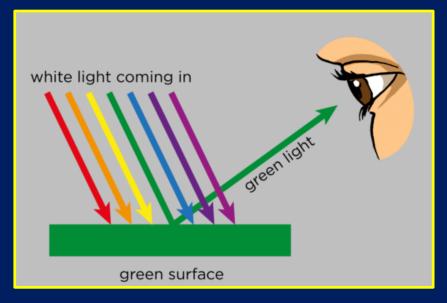


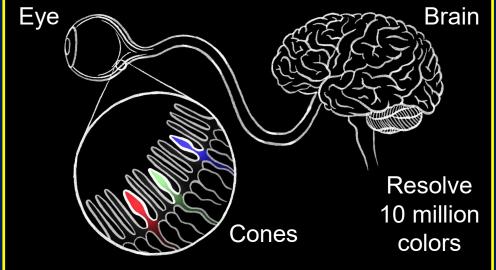
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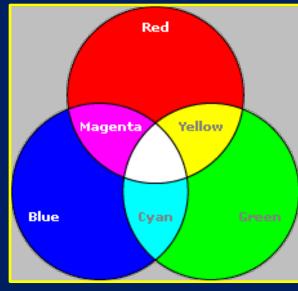






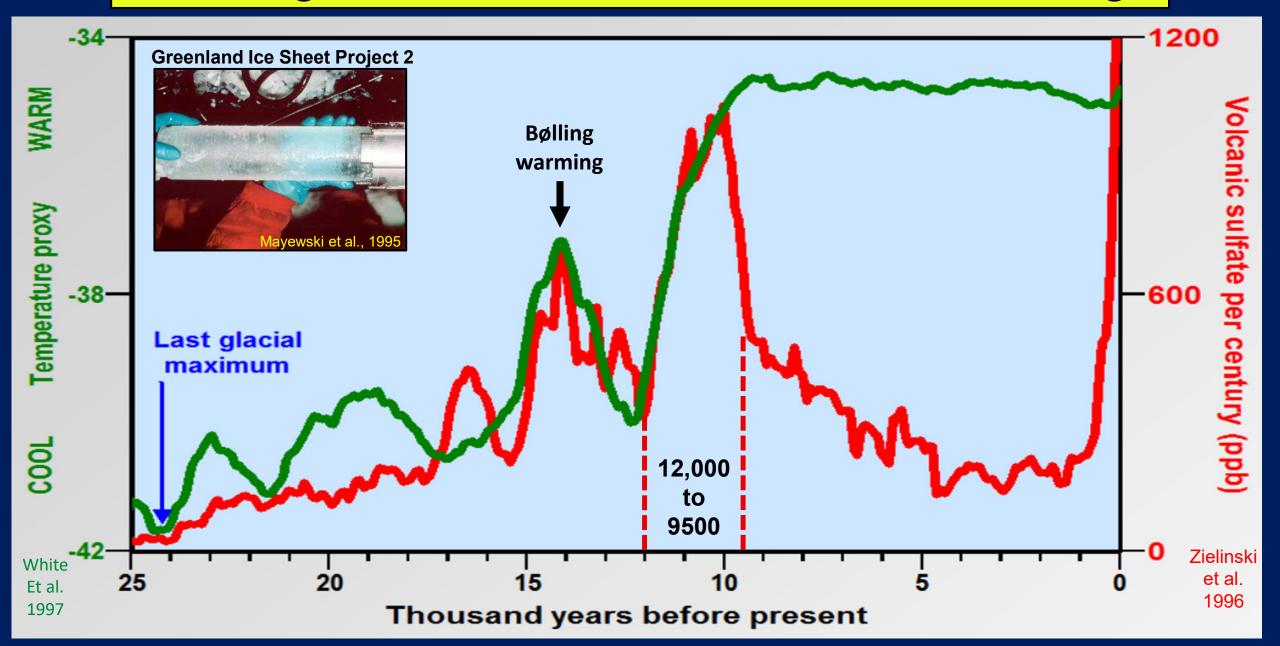




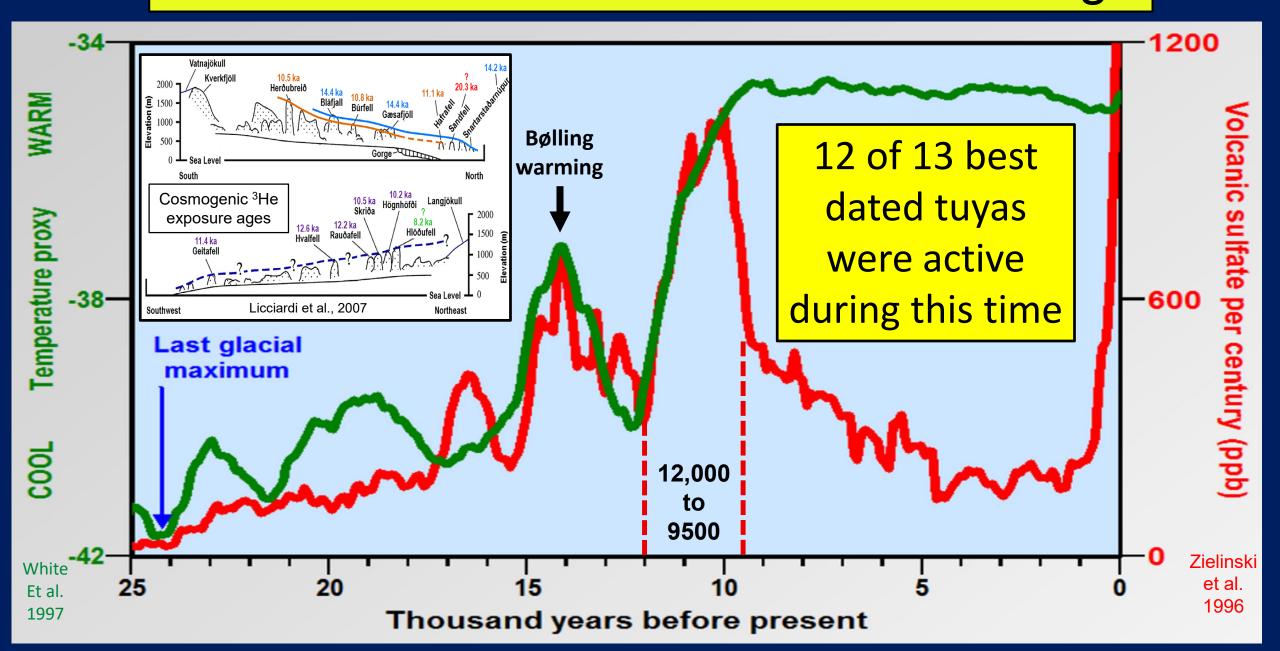


So what causes global warming and what causes global cooling?

The enigma: Volcanism ended the last ice age



Basaltic volcanism ended the last ice age





Aerially
extensive
flood-basaltic
eruptions

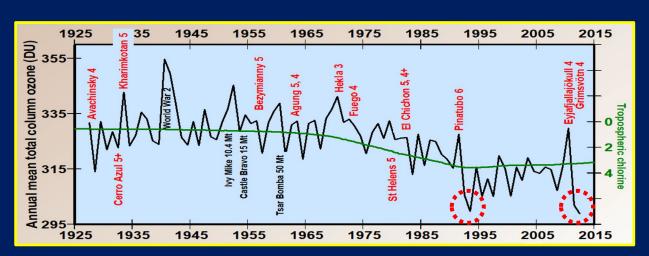
versus

Aerosol
forming
explosive
eruptions



Occur in rift zones

Chlorine and bromine deplete ozone, warming Earth **GLOBALLY** many degrees within years

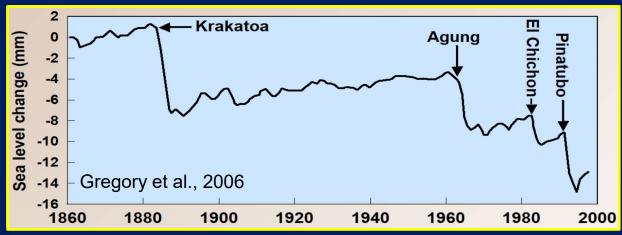


Amount of global warming is determined by the duration and aerial extent

Occur above subduction zones

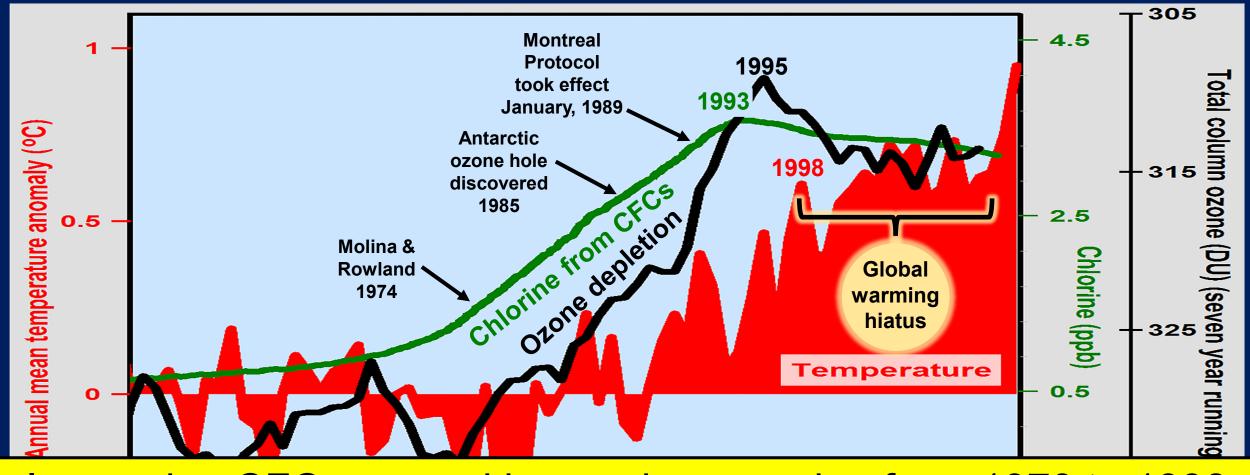
Form aerosols cooling Earth

GLOBALLY ~0.5°C for ~3 years



Amount of global cooling is determined by the number of eruptions per century

Human-caused global warming



Increasing CFCs caused increasing warming from 1970 to 1998

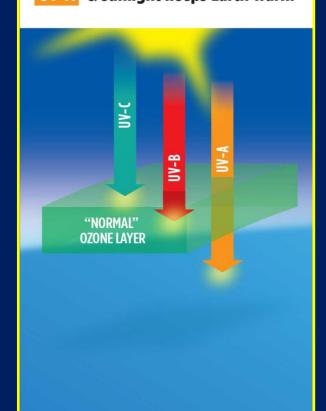
The Montreal protocol stopped the increases

BUT ozone remained depleted

The effects of ozone depletion and of aerosols

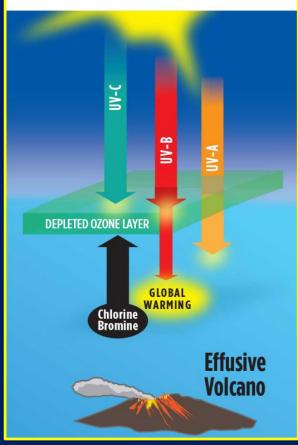
NORMAL CONDITIONS

UV-C keeps atmosphere warm
UV-B keeps ozone layer warm
UV-A & sunlight keeps Earth warm



GLOBAL WARMING

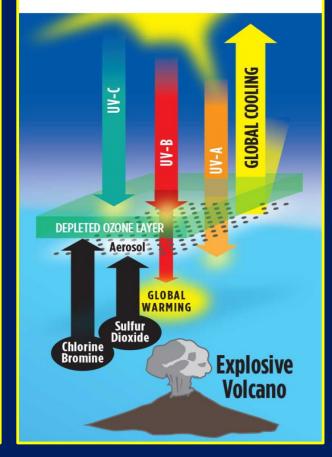
Volcanoes release Chlorine & Bromine depleting ozone cooling ozone layer & warming Earth



GLOBAL COOLING

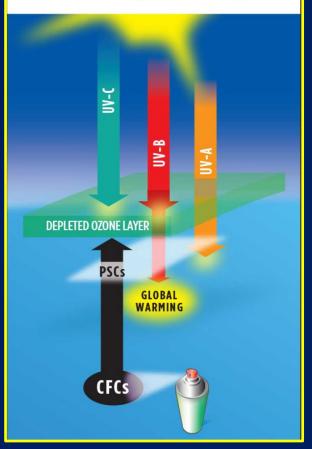
Explosive volcanoes also eject

Sulfur Dioxide into stratosphere
forming aerosols that reflect & disperse
sunlight causing net cooling of Earth

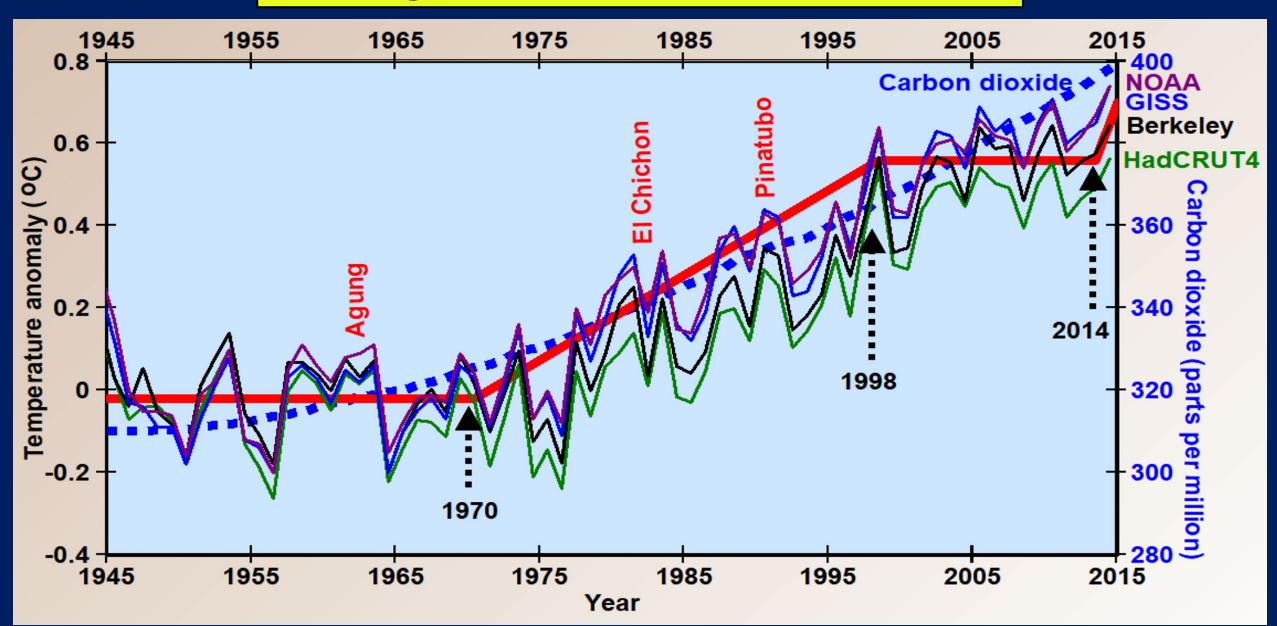


GLOBAL WARMING

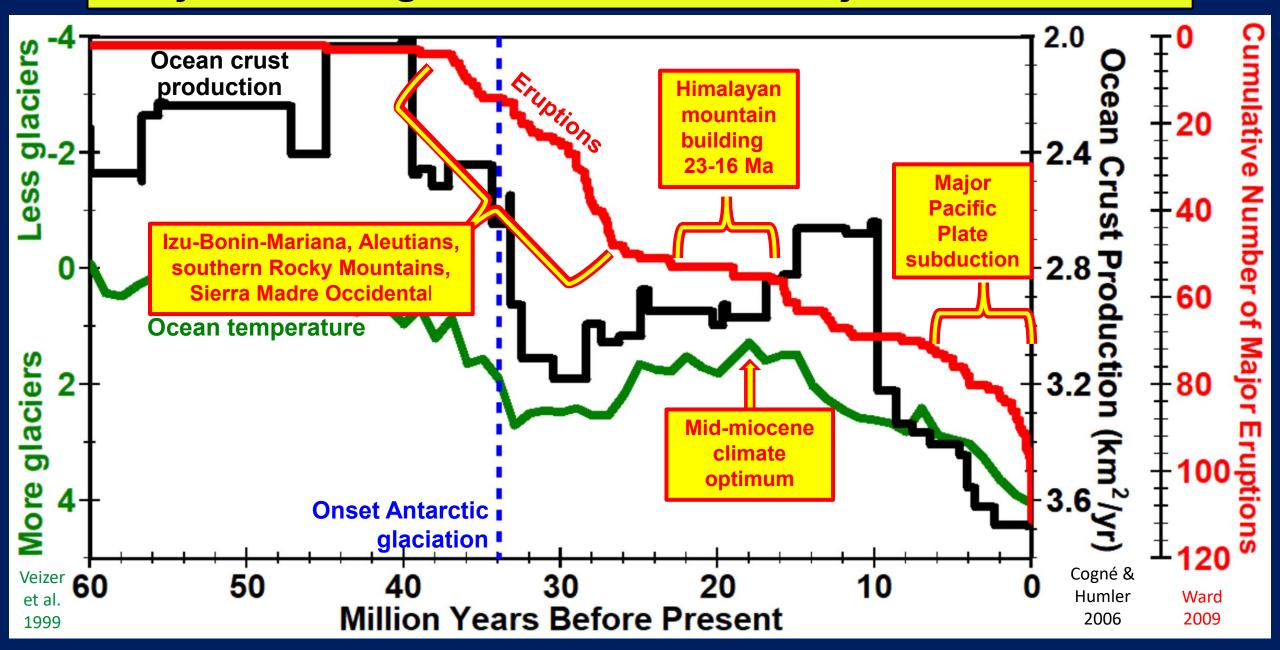
cFCs in polar stratospheric clouds (PSCs) release chlorine depleting ozone cooling ozone layer & warming Earth



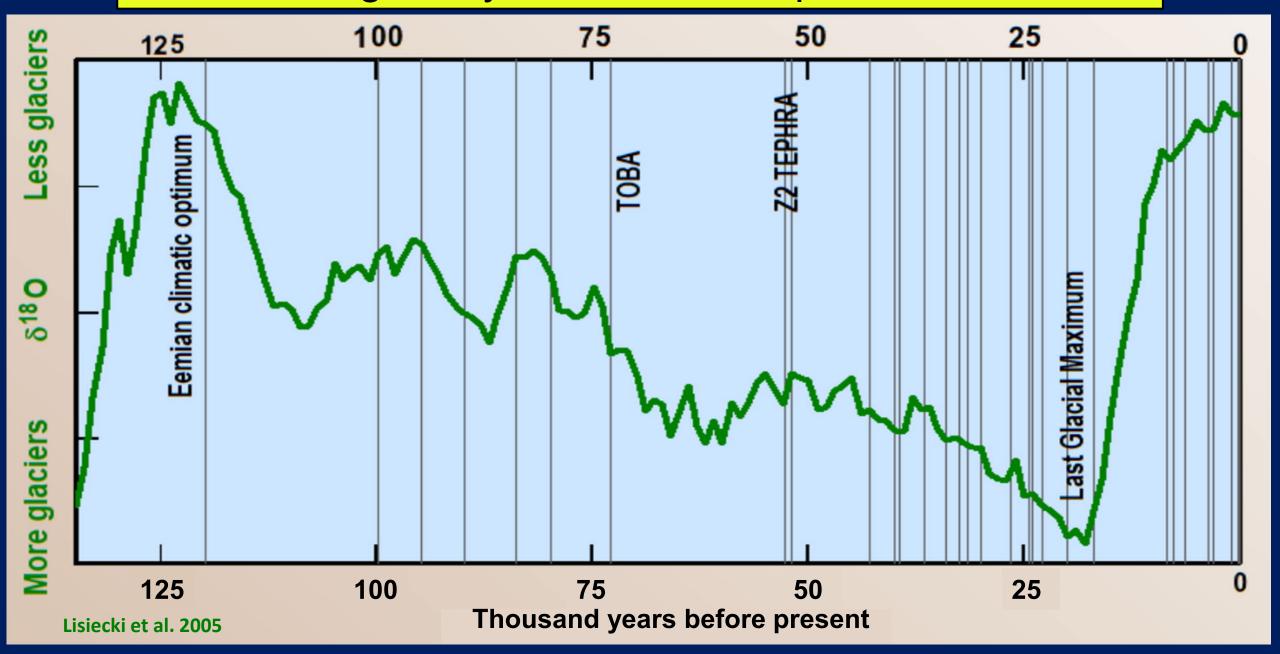
Changes in temperature trends



Major cooling when there is major subduction

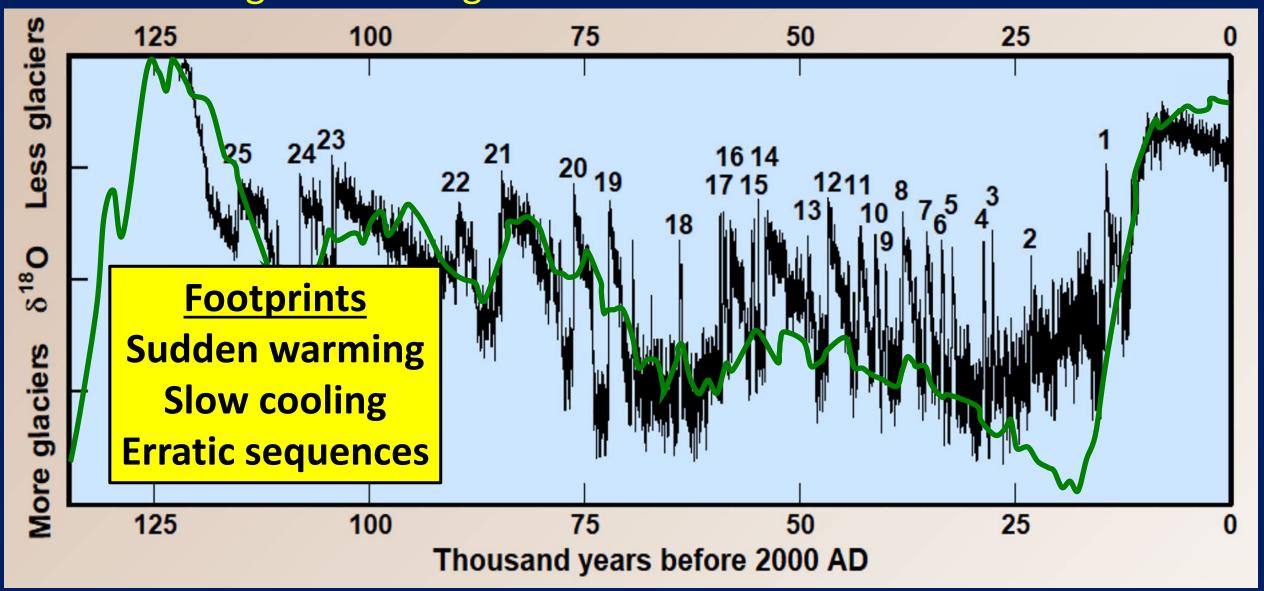


Stack of 57 globally distributed deep sea δ¹⁸O records

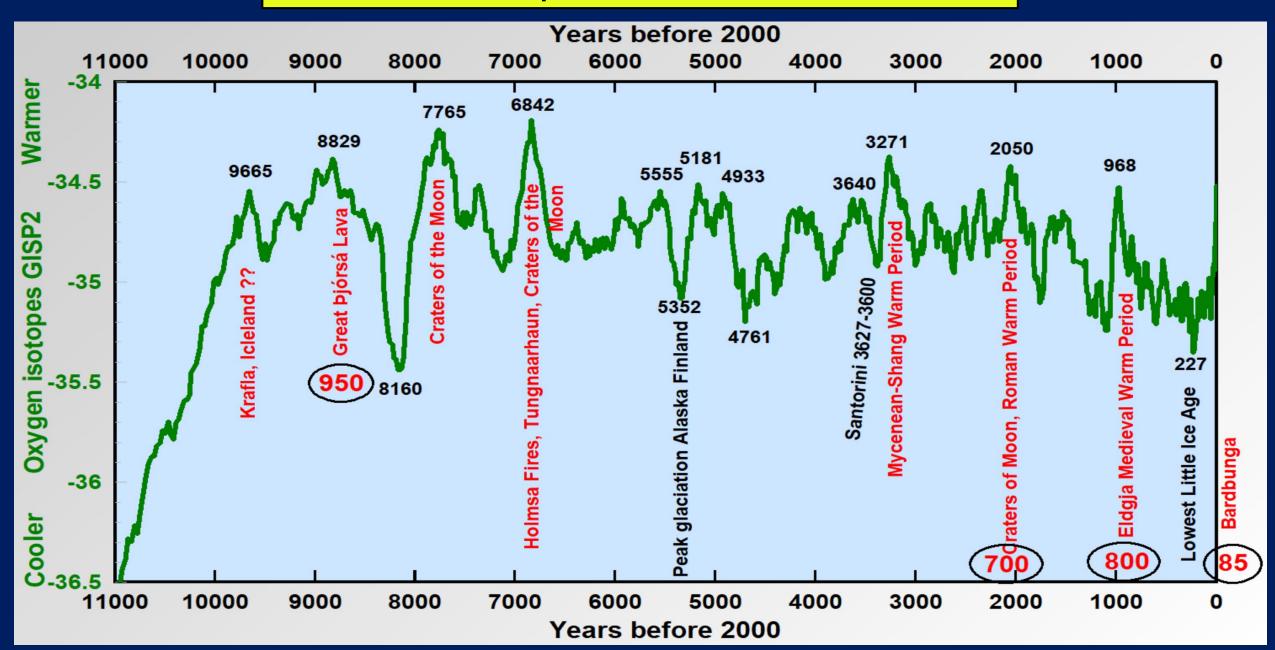


Erratic sequences of rapid warming followed by slower cooling

Dansgaard-Oeschger events observed in Greenland ice

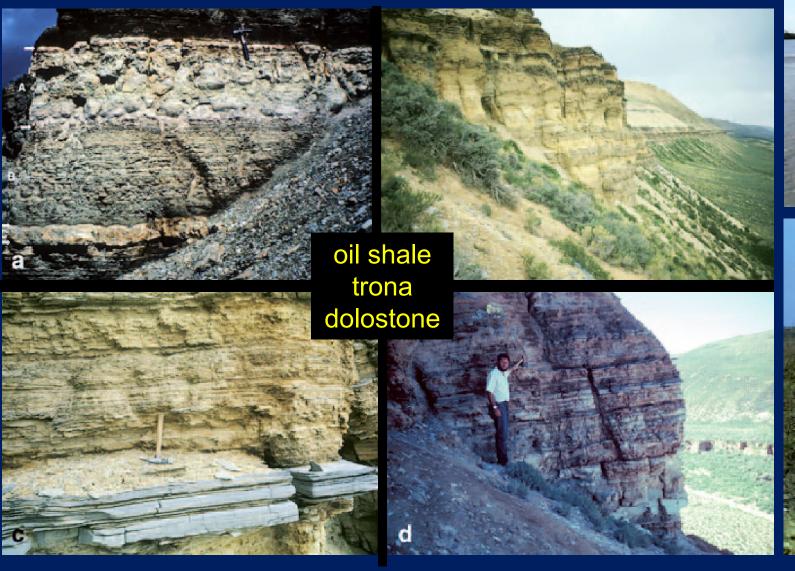


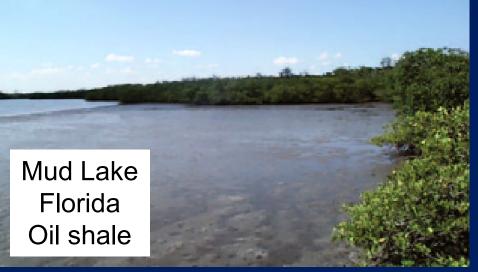
Holocene temperatures and volcanism



Eocene Green River Formation in Wyoming

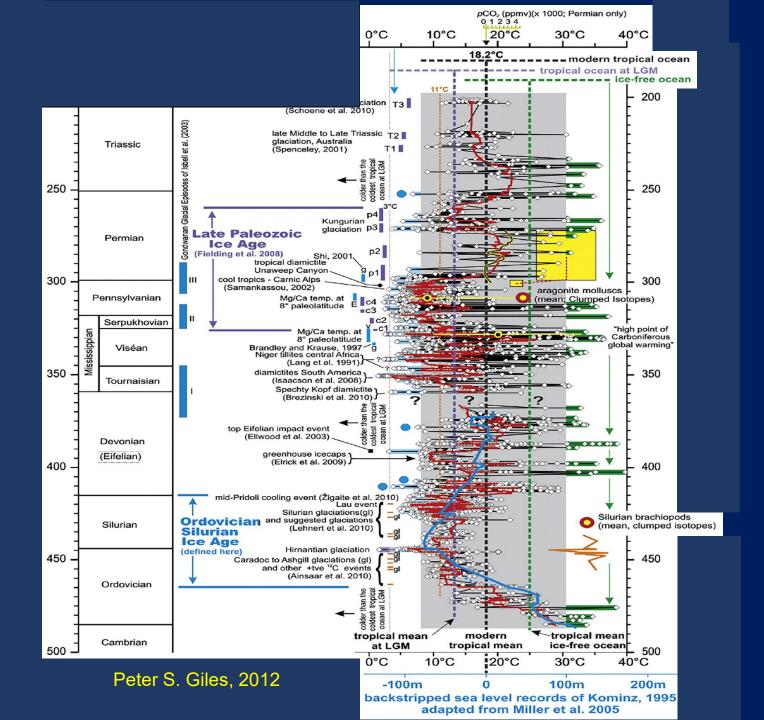
53 to 48 million years ago



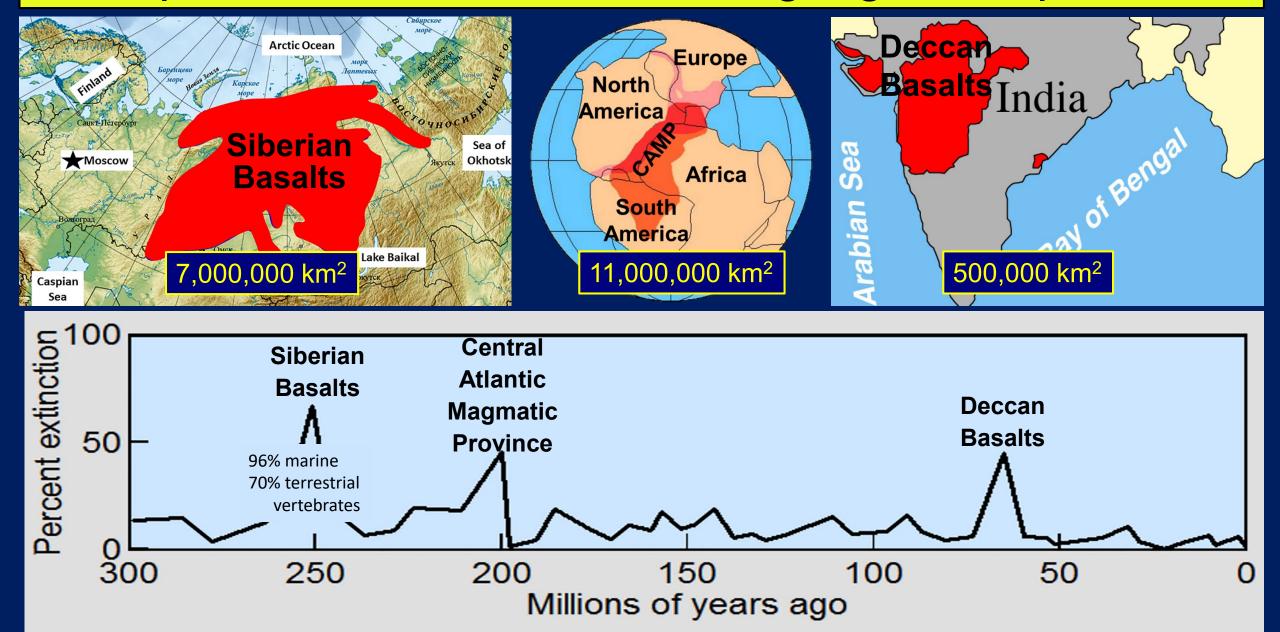




Paleozoic brachiopod habitat temperatures

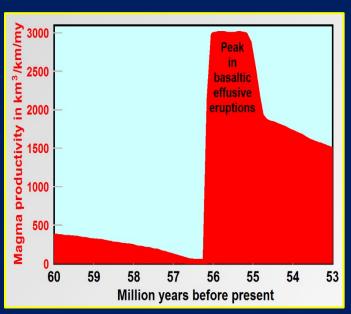


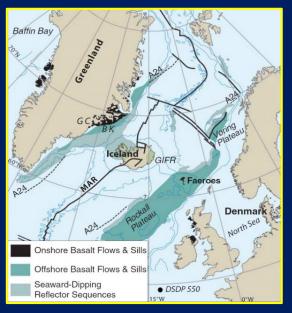
Examples of flood basalts and large igneous provinces



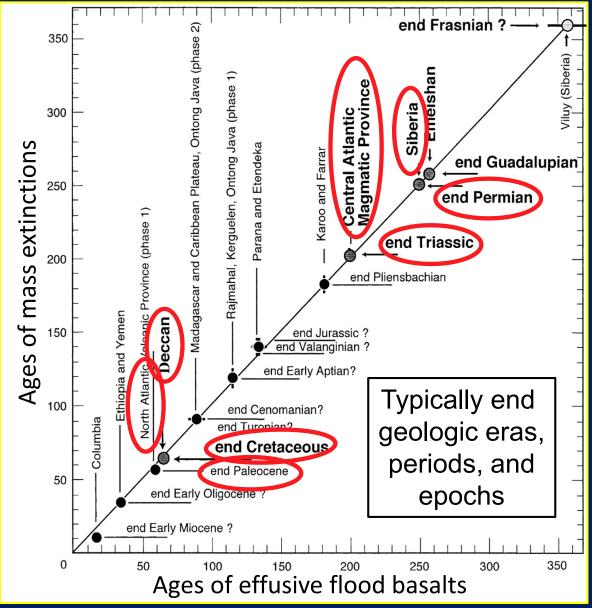
Paleocene-Eocene Thermal Maximum

Extrusion of basaltic magma reached a peak 56 million years ago during the rifting of the Greenland-Norwegian Sea





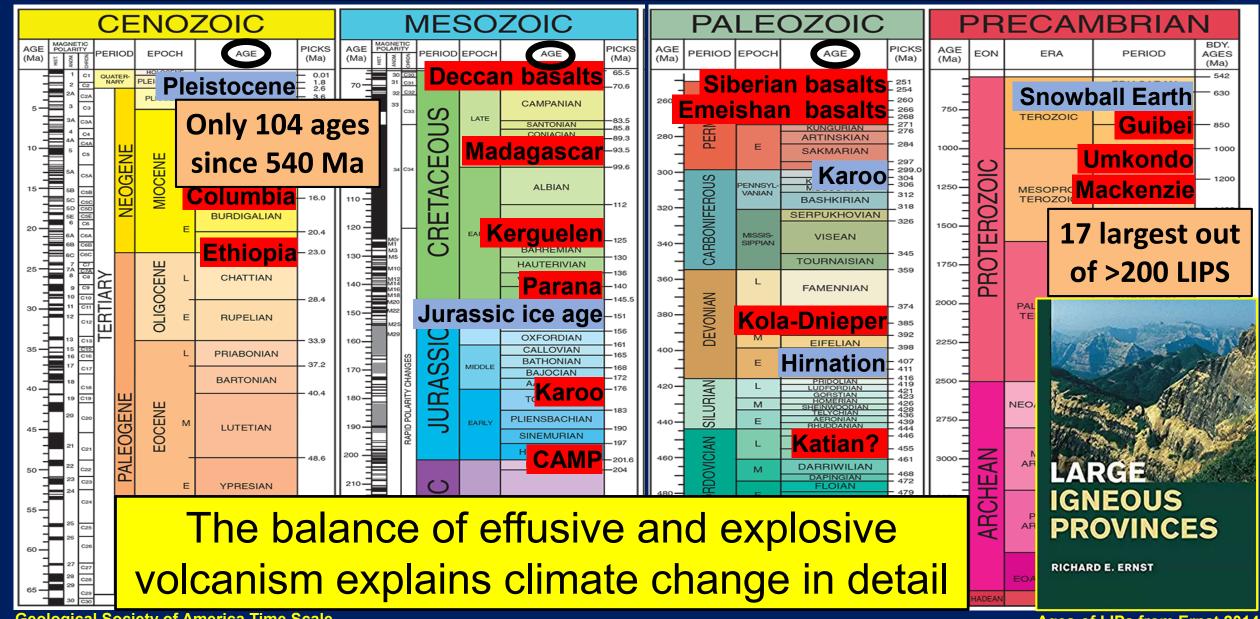
Associated with end of time units



Storey et al. 2007

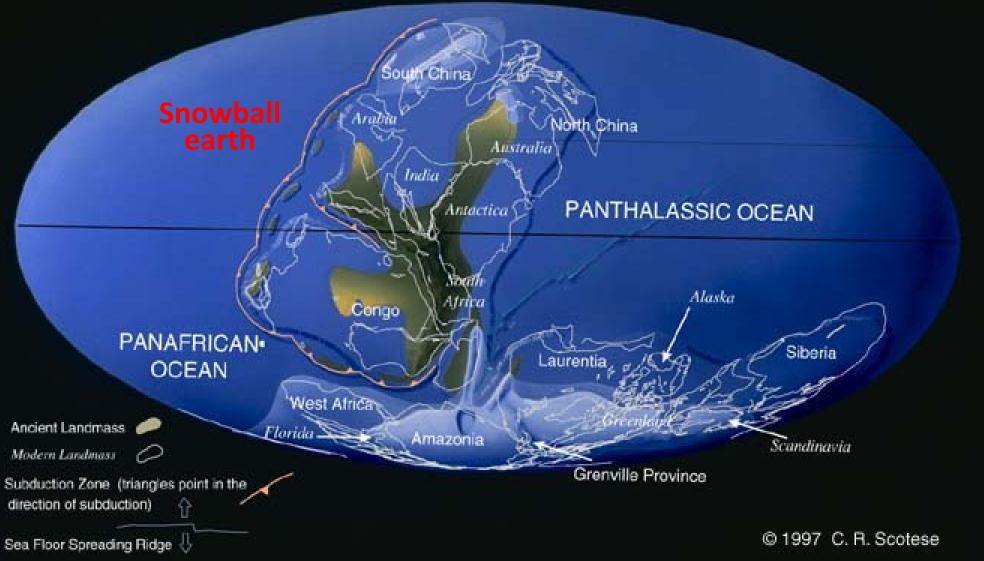
Courtillot and Renne 2003

Large Igneous Provinces punctuate the geologic time scale



Late Proterozoic 650 Ma

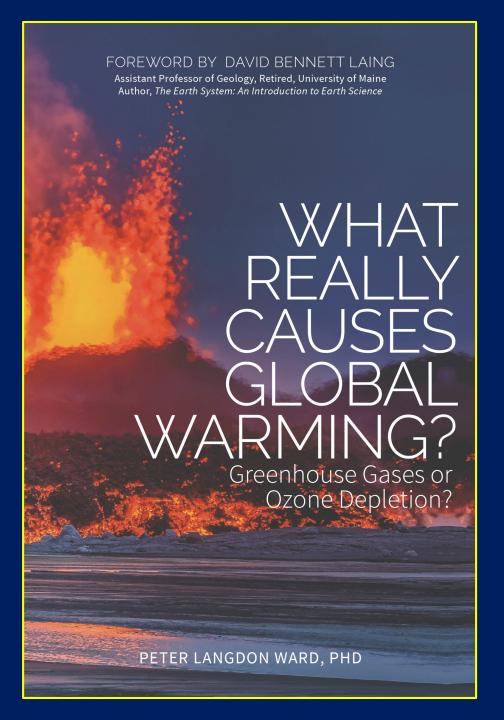
Little sub-aerial rifting



Late Permian 255 Ma Siberia Alaska Kazakstania PANTHALASSIC OCEAN North China ANGEA California -Central Pengean Mts PALEO-TETHYS South China **OCEAN** Indochina Africa Tarkey Malinga **TETHYS** GONDWANA OCEAN India Australia Ancient Landmass Antarcuc Modern Landmass Subduction Zone (triangles point in the direction of subduction) © 1997 C. R. Scotese Sea Floor Spreading Ridge

Conclusions

- 1. Greenhouse gases do not absorb enough heat to cause observed global warming.
- 2. Heat and temperature result from a broad continuum of frequencies of oscillation.
- 3. Amplitude of oscillation at each frequency of oscillation travels by resonance.
- 4. Global cooling is caused primarily by large explosive eruptions forming aerosols in the lower stratosphere, reflecting and scattering sunlight.
- 5. Global warming is caused primarily by depletion of the ozone layer caused by manufactured CFC gases and by basaltic volcanic eruptions.



Implications

We can burn fossil fuels without overheating Earth

But we must minimize air pollution

We need to help the ozone layer recover

We need to help people understand:

- 1. That greenhouse-warming theory is a scientific mistake,
- 2. That science is self-correcting,
- 3. That science is never settled,
- 4. That science is still the most logical and valuable way to inform good public policy in our increasingly technological world.

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