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## OCIO as observed by TROPOMI on Sentinel 5P

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Chlorine dioxide (OCIO) is a by-product of the ozone depleting halogen chemistry in the stratosphere. Although being rapidly photolysed at low solar zenith angles (SZAs) it plays an important role as an indicator of the chlorine activation in polar regions during polar winter and spring at twilight conditions because of the nearly linear relation of its formation to chlorine oxide (CIO).

The TROPOspheric Monitoring Instrument (TROPOMI) is an UV-VIS-NIR-SWIR instrument on board the Sentinel-5P satellite developed for monitoring the composition of the Earth's atmosphere. It was launched on 13 October 2017 in a near polar orbit. It measures spectrally resolved earthshine radiances at an unprecedented spatial resolution of around 3.5x7.2 km² (3.5x5.6 km² starting from 6 Aug 2019) (near nadir) with a total swath width of ~2600 km on the Earth's surface providing daily global coverage and even higher temporal coverage in polar regions. From the measured spectra high resolved trace gas distributions can be retrieved by means of differential optical absorption spectroscopy (DOAS).

Here we present retrieved time series of OCIO slant column densities (SCDs) for the period 2017 - 2020, compare them with ground based zenith sky measurements and correlate them with meteorological data for both Antarctic and Arctic regions.