<u>Climate Throughout Geologic Time Has Been</u> <u>Controlled Primarily by the Balance Between</u>

and

Cooling Caused by Major Explosive Eruptions of Evolved Magmas Typical of Island Arcs Warming Caused by Voluminous Effusive Eruptions of Basaltic Magma Typical of Subaerial Ocean Ridges, Island Chains, and Continental Flood Basalts



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<u>1815: Mt. Tambora, Indonesia</u> Largest volcanic eruption in recorded history, VEI = 7

A 14,000 foot mountain 160 km³ of ejecta >71,000 people died



Lowered world temperatures 0.4 to 0.7 °C

<u>1816</u> Year There Was No Summer Year Without a Summer Summer that Never Was Poverty Year

Krakatau1883(6)Santa Maria1902(6?)Novarupta1912(6)Agung1963(5)El Chichón1982(5)Pinatubo1991(6)

<u>**Thermal Effects Last a Long Time and Cummulate**</u>

Modelled global ocean heat content following the 1883 eruption of Krakatoa with volcanic effect and without

Gleckler et al., 2006

Modelled sea level change following the larger volcanic

Gregory et al., 2006



Last Ice Age Ended During Massive Volcanism in Iceland from 11,750 to 9,375 years BP



Basaltic, effusive volcanism was substantial and nearly continuous in Iceland during the Bolling and Preboreal warmings

12 of the 13 dated tuyas in Iceland had their final eruptive phase during the Preboreal warming



³He exposure ages and ice surface at end of last ice age



A tuya or table mountain formed by eruption of basalt under ice

The Delicate Balance Between



Large, Explosive Eruptions Form Aerosols in the Stratosphere cooling Earth ~0.5°C for ~3 years But also deplete ozone leading to mid to late winter warming





Lower tropospheric temperature anomalies from December 1991 to February 1992 after the eruption of Mt. Pinatubo in June 1991

Average Annual Ozone Measured at Arosa, Switzerland



Effects of Ozone Depletion and Aerosols



Global Warming 1970 to 1998



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is at least 48 times hotter than energy absorbed by greenhouse gases

Greenhouse Gas Theory is Simply Wrong

- 1. There is not enough energy absorbed by greenhouse gases
- 2. The bonds holding greenhouse gases together are clearly observed to absorb radiation, but not to raise temperature
- 3. The assumption that greenhouse gases slow cooling of Earth ignores the fact that heat is transferred through the troposphere primarily by convection
- 4. The assumption that greenhouse gases radiate heat back to Earth breaks the Second Law of Thermodynamics
- 5. You do not stand next to a cold stove to warm up
- 6. A thermal body cannot warm itself



Trenberth and Fasullo, 2008

<u>Wave</u>



Aristotle 340 BC



Huygens 1678



Young 1803



Hooke 1680



Faraday 1830



Descartes 1630



Fresnel 1814



Maxwell 1865

Particle



Democritus 410 BC

Alhazen 1000



Newton 1670



Planck 1900



Einstein 1905

Electromagnetic Radiation



James Clerk Maxwell published in 1865 A Dynamical Theory of the Electromagnetic Field



But waves and particles are things we can see

We cannot see light

Light is frequency, not waves, particles or wave-particle duality

Transverse waves

Just like the frequency of a radio station

Paper on "The Thermodynamics of Climate Change" is available at OzoneDepletionTheory.info

Major Temperature Change During Major Volcanism

lead to:



Paleocene Eocene Thermal Maximum

Extrusion of basaltic magma reached a peak 55 to 60 million years ago during the opening of the Greenland-Norwegian Sea. Temperature also reaches a peak.

Storey et al., 2007





Flood Basalts and Mass Extinctions





Dansgaard-Oeschger Sudden Warmings Caused by Effusive Volcanism Primarily in Iceland?



25 times in the last 120,000 years, local temperatures in Greenland rose 10 to 16°C in less than 40 years, returning to ice-age conditions within a century or more



In the last 9000 years volcanism (red) shows a close relationship to temperature (black) and to human history

Stalagmite temperatures from Vollweiler et al., 2006

Every living thing spends every moment of life adapting to changes in the physical environment and in the social environment

Climate changes in the physical environment are determined primarily by volcanism, leading to changes in the social environment

Conclusions

- 1. Explosive volcanoes form aerosols in the lower stratosphere, reflecting sunlight, cooling Earth
- 2. Effusive, basaltic volcanoes deplete ozone, warming Earth
- 3. The balance between cooling and warming is controlled by plate tectonics
- 4. Sudden changes in volcanism show a close relationship to sudden changes in geologic epochs, ages, and evolution of life on Earth

Volcanoes rule!

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