Supporting Information

Formation of transformation products during ozonation of secondary wastewater effluent and their fate in post-treatment: From laboratory- to full-scale

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Text S1. Micropollutant selection and separation into mixtures

Details on all parent micropollutants (MPs), including chemical structures, are provided in Table S1 in the supporting Excel file.

The MPs were spiked into 19 different mixtures, whereby each MP was present in two mixtures, while no other MP occurred twice in these two mixtures. The separation is visualized in Figure S1 and Figure S2. Figures S1 and S2 represent a 9 to 10 matrix, where each position is taken up by a MP. Each row was mixed together and these 9 mixtures were called MR0 – MR8. Accordingly, each column was mixed together and these 10 mixtures were called MC0 – MC9.

| | MC0 | MC1 | MC2 | MC3 | MC4 | MC5 | MC6 | MC7 | MC8 | MC9 |
|-----|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| MR0 | Venlafaxine | Lidocaine | Flecainide | Atenolol- desisopropyl | Eprosartan | Lamotrigine | Sulfamethazine | Ketoprofen | Levamisole | Sucralose |
| MR1 | Diclofenac | Mecoprop | Citalopram | Cetirizine | Propranolol | Sitagliptin | - | Prometon | Sulfapyridin | Metformin |
| MR2 | Emtricitabine | Caffeine | Thiacloprid | Fenpropidin | Diphenhydramine | Norlidocaine | Mycophenolic acid | Sulfamethoxazole | 2-Naphthalic sulfonic acid | Flufenamic acid |
| MR3 | 5-Methyl- benzotriazole | Cyprodinil | Atazanavir | Diuron | Norfenfluramine | Clindamycin | Atenolol acid | Amitriptyline | Rosuvastatin | 2-7-naphthalic disulfonic acid |
| MR4 | Etodolac | Benzotriazole | Trimethoprim | Methoxyfenozide | Ibuprofen | Tramadol | Clozapine | Atenolol | Oseltamivir | Hydrochlorothiazide |
| MR5 | Acesulfame | Carbamazepine | Candesartan | Benzisothiazolone | Benzophenon 3 | Bezafibrate | N-Bisdesmet. Tramadol | Sulpiride | Metoprolol | Pravastatin |
| MR6 | Aliskiren | Cephalexin | Resveratrol | Valsartan acid | - | 2,4-D | Phenazone | Clarithromycin | Amisulpride | N-Desmethyl- tramadol |
| MR7 | Efavirenz | - | Progesterone | Fenfluramine | Valsartan | Naproxen | Atrazine | Oxcarbazepine | Diltiazem | Triclosan |
| MR8 | Levetiracetam | Propyzamide | Gabapentin | Methyl- prednisolone | Codeine | Irbesartan | Napropamide | Oxazepam | Mefenamic acid | Ranitidine |
| | | | | | <u> </u> | | | | | |
| | 3° amines | 2° amines | 1° amines | olefins | ethynes | sulfonamide | aromatic compounds | Similar to benzotriazole | napthalenes | N-hetero aromatics |

Figure S1: Visualization of the micropollutant (MP) mixtures for the ozonation batch experiments (O3bMix). All MPs of a row were mixed together (called MR0 – MR8) and all MPs of a column were mixed together (called MC0 - MC9). The background colors indicate the ozone reactive functional groups of the micropollutants.

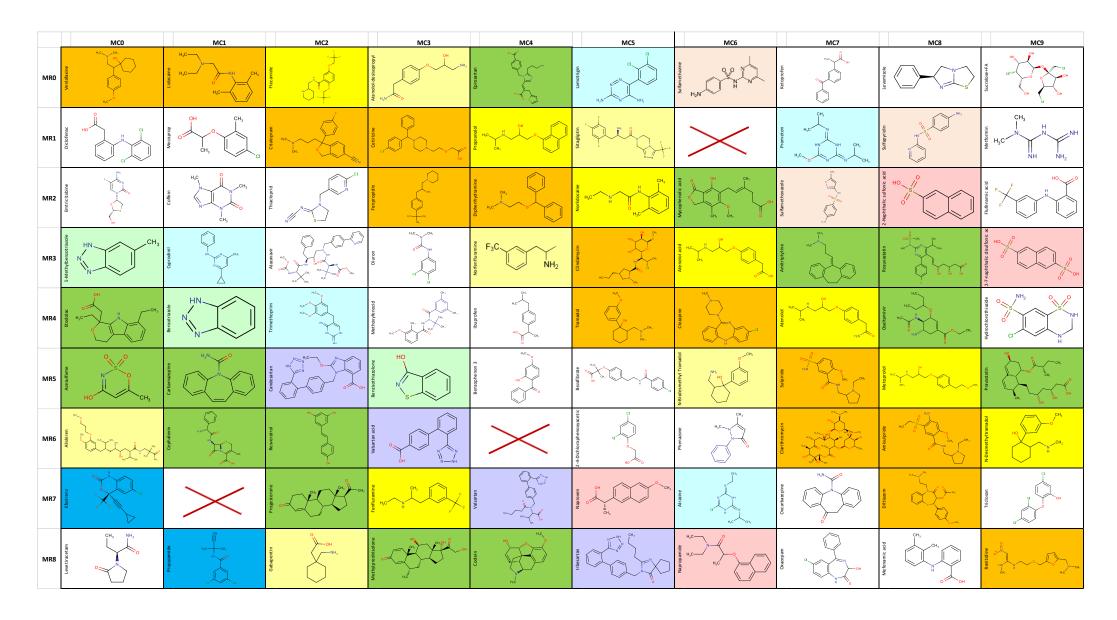


Figure S2: Visualization of the micropollutant (MP) mixtures for the ozonation batch experiments (O3bMix). All MPs of a row were mixed together (called MR0 – MR8) and all MPs of a column were mixed together (called MC0 - MC9). The background colors indicate the ozone reactive functional groups of the micropollutants. Color coding as in Figure S1: 3° amines (orange), 2° amines (yellow), 1° amines (light yellow), olefins (green), ethynes (blue), sulfonamide (light pink), aromatic compounds (white), similar to benzotriazole (light green), napthalenes (pink), N-hetero aromatics - triazines (light blue), sartanes (purple).

Text S2. Laboratory ozonation batch experiments

Text S2.1 Simulation of organic matter containing water matrices and ozonation conditions

Before conducting the ozonation batch experiments with micropollutants, two water matrices with a DOC content of 1.3 and 5 were simulated by mimicking the organic matter with methanol and acetate. Methanol acts as promoter for the radical chain reaction with hydroxyl radicals (•OH), which enhances the rate of ozone decomposition, while acetate is an inhibitor, which stops the radical chain reaction. Therefore, methanol and acetate represent sites in the dissolved organic matter (DOM), which control the ozone stability (Buffle et al. 2006, Elovitz and von Gunten 1999, Hoigné and Bader 1994, Staehelin and Hoigne 1985). The aim was to yield similar ozonation conditions as in real waters, i.e. ozone- and •OH exposure (and the concentration ratio of •OH/O₃ known as R_{ct}), but with less interferences than DOM in the LC-HR-MS/MS screening for OTP signals. Details on the composition of the simulated water matrices as well as on the resulting ozonation conditions in the pre-experiments are provided in Table S4. Experiments were performed in a phosphate buffer at pH 7.5 (1-5 mM depending on the experiment), which does not affect the oxidation by ozone as long as the pH remains constant. Figure S3 shows the evolution of the ozone concentration and the R_{ct} values for various conditions. The specific ozone dose was chosen depending on the simulated DOC content to be 1 gO₃/gDOC and therefore the absolute ozone doses differed among the two water matrices. As can be seen from Table S4 and Figure S3, also the duration of the experiments differed, whereas the ozone exposure (0.020 -0.035 Ms) at full ozone depletion and the R_{ct} values (1.3 \times 10⁻⁸ - 2.4 \times 10⁻⁸) were in a similar range. By taking samples at different time points and quenching the ozone with indigo or sulfite, different ozonation conditions can be selected to best mimic real water conditions. The ozone exposures of 9 different municipal wastewaters were determined to be in the range of 0.0002-0.0028 Ms for a specific ozone dose of 0.5 gO₃/gDOC, and 0.004-0.013 Ms for a specific ozone dose of 1 gO₃/gDOC (Lee et al. 2013). For 5 lakes and 2 river waters, Elovitz et al. (2000) determined ozone exposures in the range of 0.0015-0.024 Ms for specific ozone doses of $0.67-1.0 \text{ gO}_3/\text{gDOC}$. The R_{ct} values for the seven surface waters were in the range of 0.95×10^{-8} -5.8 \times 10⁻⁸ and for the nine wastewaters in the range of 5.0 \times 10^{-8} -19 \times 10⁻⁸ (for 0.5 gO₃/gDOC) and of 2.2 \times 10⁻⁸ -6.3 \times 10⁻⁸ (for 1.0 gO₃/gDOC). By time-resolved experiments any water matrix can be simulated in terms of ozone and hydroxyl radical exposure and the R_{ct} values. This enables to carry out product studies under realistic ozonation conditions in absence of a cumbersome matrix, which may cause analytical problems.

Table S4 shows the water matrices simulating DOC concentrations of 1.3 mg/L and 5 mg/L which were used for the ozonation batch experiments with micropollutants (see Text S2.2 and S2.3).

The simulated DOC concentrations refer to a lake water and a wastewater effluent in Switzerland, respectively. The scavenging rates for the different water constituents are also shown in Table S4. They were calculated by the product of the second-order rate constants of the reactions with hydroxyl radicals and the concentration of the scavengers. For the simulation of the 1.3 mg/L DOC matrix, the relative scavenging rates of acetate and methanol are 30% and 70%, respectively. For 5 mg/L DOC matrix, the relative scavenging rates of acetate and methanol are 5% and 95%, respectively.

Table 54: Details on the simulated water matrices without addition of micropollutants.

| Simulated DOC concentration in mg/L (scavenging rate) $k_{\text{DOC,OH}} = 3 \times 10^4$ L/mg/s ^a | Acetate in mM (scavenging rate) $k_{\text{ac,OH}} = 7.9 \times 10^7 \text{M}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$ | MeOH in mM (scavenging rate) $K_{\text{MeOH,OH}} = 9.7 \times 10^8 \text{M}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$ | pH (Phosphate buffer 1-5 mM) | Targeted Ozone dose in mg/L | Ozone exposure in M·s (full- depletion) | R _{ct} |
|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| 1.3 (3.9x10 ⁴ s ⁻¹) | 0.15 (1.19x10 ⁴ s ⁻¹) | 0.029 (2.8x10 ⁴ s ⁻¹) | 7.5 | 1.3 | 0.035 | 1.3 × 10 ⁻⁸ |
| 5 (1.5x10 ⁵ s ⁻¹) | 0.10 (7.9x10 ³ s ⁻¹) | 0.16 (1.55x10 ⁵ s ⁻¹) | 7.5 | 5 | 0.020 | 2.4 × 10 ⁻⁸ |

^{a)} (von Sonntag and von Gunten 2012), ^{b)} (Elovitz and von Gunten 1999)

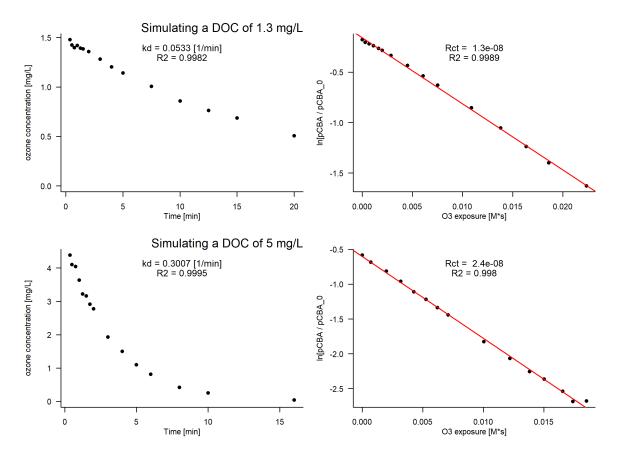


Figure S3: Ozonation conditions for the two different simulated water matrices without addition of micropollutants. Left: plots of ozone concentrations as a function of the reaction time. Right: plots of $\ln(pCBA/pCBA_0)$ as a function of the ozone exposure, the R_{ct} can be calculated from the slopes and is provided in the graphs.

Text S2.2 Ozonation conditions in the O3bMix experiments

In Figure S4 - Figure S8 the ozonation conditions of the 19 O3bMix experiments (spiked with 19 different MP mixtures as described in Section 2.1, main manuscript) are illustrated. These experiments were performed with 0.15 mM acetate and 0.029 mM methanol, simulating a DOC of 1.3 mg/L. The resulting average ozone exposure for complete ozone depletion was 0.011 ± 0.003 Ms and the estimated R_{ct} from the two-point fit of the 19 experiments (note that ozone quenching with sulfite did not work in the O3bMix samples) was $(2.3\pm0.7)\times10^{-8}$. These experiments had a lower ozone exposure than expected from the experiments defining the simulation conditions (0.035 Ms) described above. The reason might be the different handling due to the addition of MPs. Nevertheless, the ozone exposure of the O3bMix experiments at full depletion of 0.011 ± 0.003 Ms fitted better to conditions with real water matrices (wastewaters and surface waters, see previous section) compared to the conditions of the preliminary experiments (Table S4).

These experiments were performed also with another matrix (0.10 mM acetate and 0.16 mM methanol, simulating a DOC of 5 mg/L, average ozone exposure at full ozone consumption was 0.016±0.002 Ms (data not shown). However, the ozone exposure of this matrix was higher than the values for real wastewater effluents and is therefore less representative for wastewater than the matrix simulating a DOC of 1.3 mg/L. Therefore, it is reasonable that only few additional OTP signals could be identified in the examined WWTP samples from the evaluation of this matrix. Based on these observations, we decided to focus our evaluation and presentation of the results only on the 1.3 mg/L DOC matrix. However, due to failure of one reactor in the first matrix (MC8), the MPs 2NS, ASP, MTO, OSE, SPD were evaluated in the other matrix (simulated DOC 5.0 mg/L).

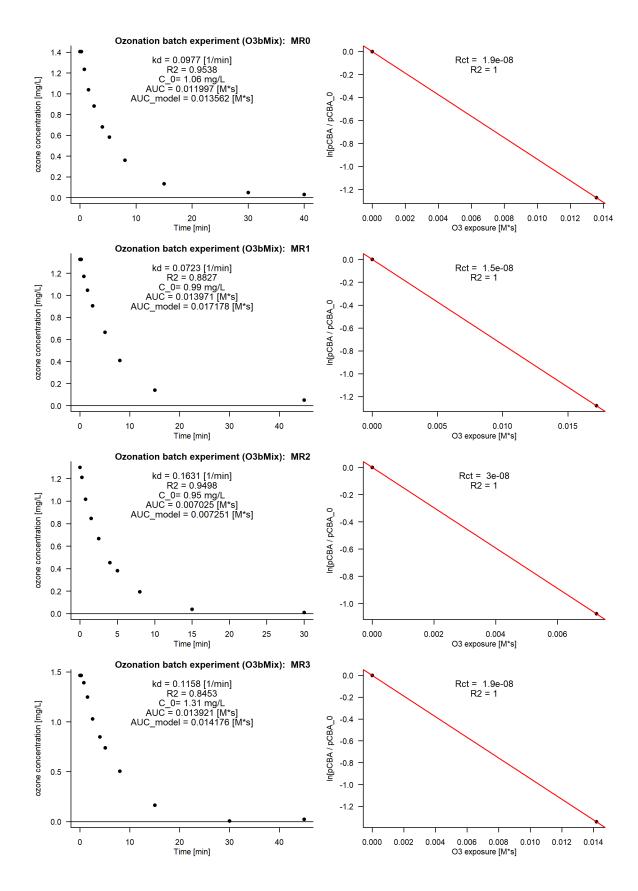


Figure S4: Ozonation conditions of O3bMix experiments with mixtures MR0-MR3 (1.3 mg/L DOC matrix). Left: Evolution of the ozone concentration, right: Calculation of R_{ct} .

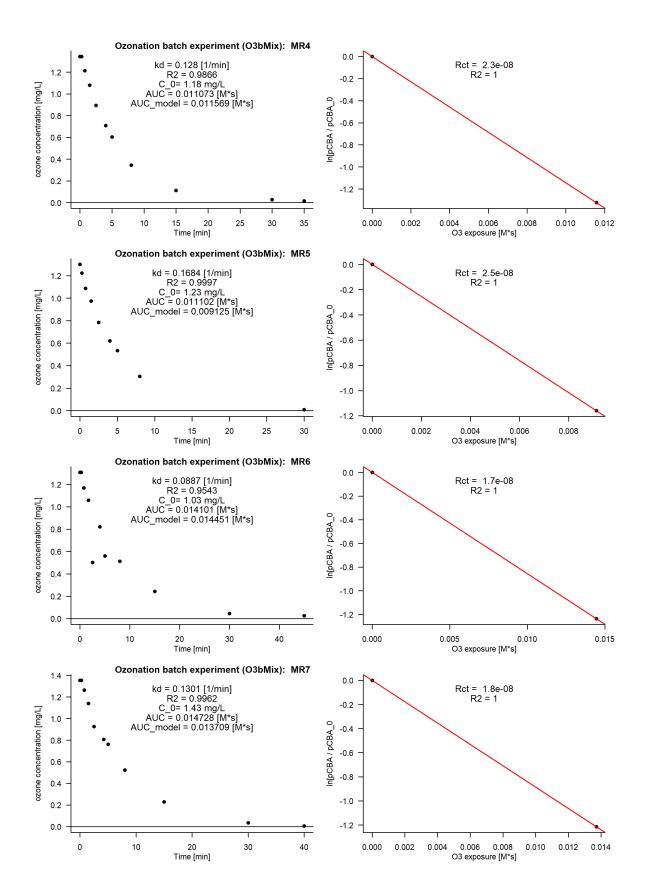


Figure S5: Ozonation conditions of O3bMix experiments with mixtures MR4-MR7 (1.3 mg/L DOC matrix). Left: Evolution of the ozone concentration, right: Calculation of R_{ct} .

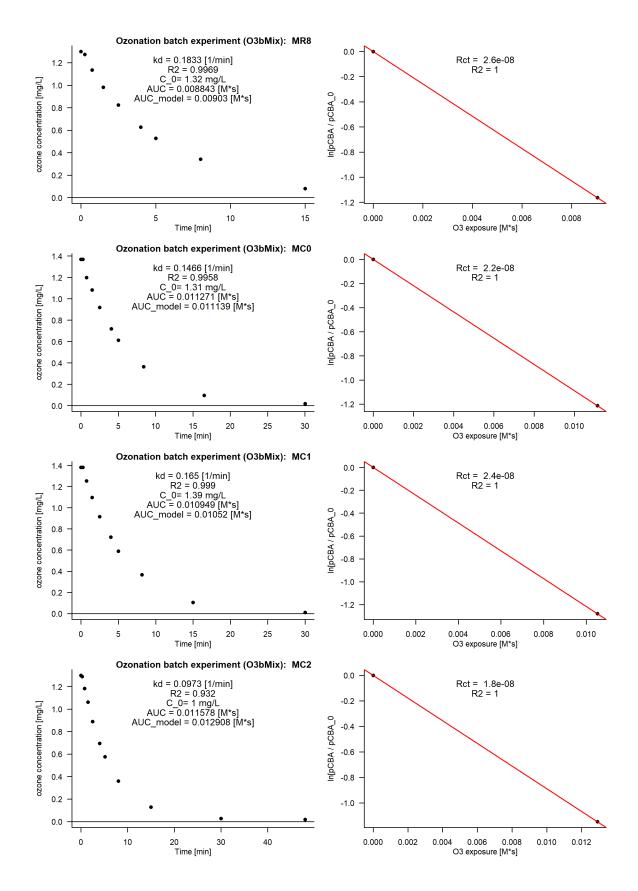


Figure S6: Ozonation conditions of O3bMix experiments with mixtures MR8 and MC0-MR2 (1.3 mg/L DOC matrix). Left: Evolution of the ozone concentration, right: Calculation of R_{ct} .

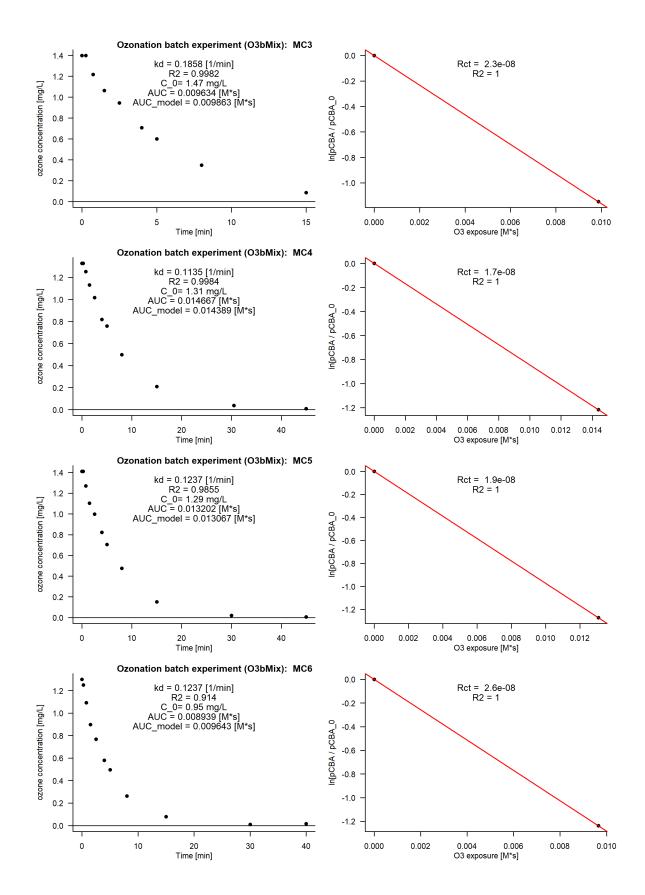


Figure S7: Ozonation conditions of O3bMix experiments with mixtures MC3-MC6 (1.3 mg/L DOC matrix). Left: Evolution of the ozone concentration, right: Calculation of R_{ct} .

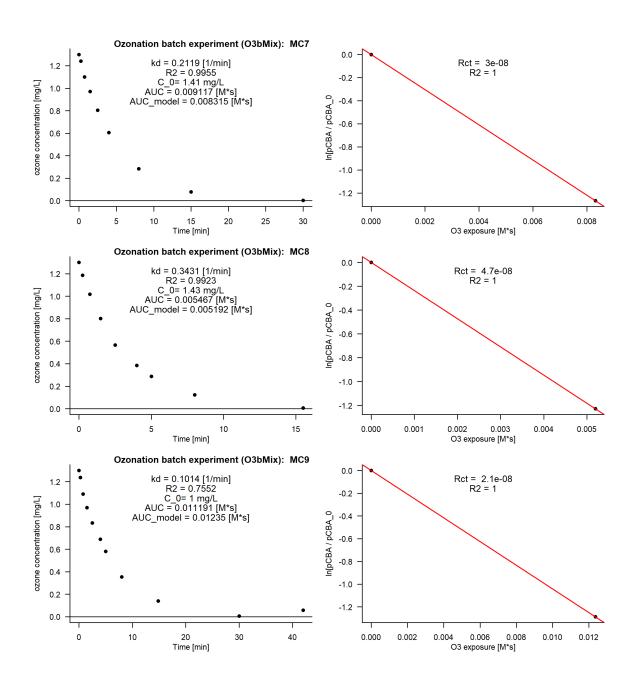


Figure S8: Ozonation conditions of O3bMix experiments with mixtures MR7-MR9 (1.3 mg/L DOC matrix). Left: Evolution of the ozone concentration, right: Calculation of R_{ct} .

Text S2.3 Ozonation conditions in the O3bAll batch experiment

Figure S9 shows the results of ozonation conditions of the *O3bAll* experiment. This experiment was performed with 0.15 mM acetate and 0.029 mM methanol, simulating a DOC of 1.3 mg/L.

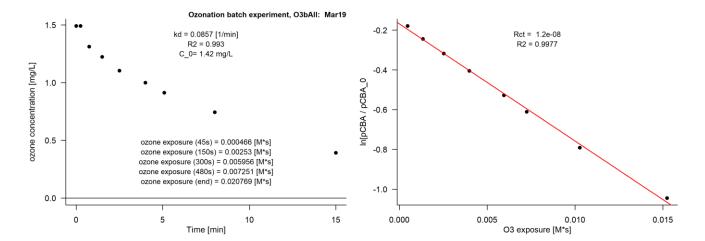


Figure S9: Ozonation conditions of the O3bAll experiment. Left: Evolution of the ozone concentration, right: Calculation of R_{ct} .

Text S3. Chemical analyses

Text S3.1 Method for the O3bMix samples

The LC gradient at a flow rate of 300 μL/min and a column temperature of 30°C was:

| Time in min | % (Nanopure water +0.1% formic acid) | % (Methanol + 0.1% formic acid) |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 0 | 100 | 0 |
| 4 | 100 | 0 |
| 19 | 5 | 95 |
| 25 | 5 | 95 |
| 25.1 | 100 | 0 |
| 30 | 100 | 0 |

The Electrospray ionization was triggered at a capillary temperature of 320°C and a spray voltage of 4 kV and 3kV for positive and negative ionization, respectively. The sheath gas flow rate was adjusted to 40, the auxiliary gas flow rate to 10, and the sweep gas flow rate to 0. Mass calibration and mass accuracy checks were carried out prior to the measurement with an in-house amino acid solution, which enhanced calibration for small masses. Full-scan acquisition was conducted at a resolution of 140'000 at m/z 200 and a scan range of m/z 50-750 with an injection time of 50 ms and an AGC target value of 5×10⁵. Ten data-dependent MS/MS scans were conducted after each full-scan with a resolution of 17'500 at m/z 200, an injection time of 100 ms, an AGC target value of 1×10⁵, and an isolation width of 1.0 Da. The dynamic exclusion was set to 3 sec. The data-dependent MS/MS were triggered after each full-scan on the [M+H]+ and if negative ionization mode acquisition was conducted on the [M-H]- on masses predicted by O3-PPD (Lee et al. 2017, Schollée et al. 2021). The collision energy with which the MS/MS scans were triggered were calculated as (-0.41) × exact mass+160 for masses below m/z 350 and were set to 15 for masses above 350 m/z. Quantification of the parent micropollutants was done with the Tracefinder 4.1 software (Thermo Scientific). The smallest standard of the calibration row with a reasonable peak was treated as limit of quantification (LOQ) as given in Table S1.

Text S3.2 Method for the O3bAll samples

The LC gradient for the separation of the sample on the chromatographic column at a flow rate of 300 μ L/min and a column temperature of 30°C was:

| Time in min | Nanopure water +0.1% FA in μL/min | Methanol + 0.1% FA in μL/min |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 0 | 260 | 40 |
| 5 | 260 | 40 |
| 20 | 15 | 285 |
| 29 | 15 | 285 |
| 29.5 | 260 | 40 |
| 35 | 260 | 40 |

The Electrospray ionization was triggered at a capillary temperature of 350°C and a spray voltage of 4 kV and 3 kV for positive and negative ionization, respectively. The sheath gas flow rate was adjusted to 40, the auxiliary gas flow rate to 10, and the sweep gas flow rate to 0. Mass calibration and mass accuracy checks were carried out prior to the measurement with an in-house amino acid solution, which enhanced calibration for small masses. Full-scan acquisition was conducted at a resolution of

140'000 at m/z 200 and a scan range of m/z 60-900 with an injection time of 100 ms and an AGC target value of 5×10^5 . Seven data-dependent MS/MS scans were conducted after each full-scan with a resolution of 17'500 at m/z 200, an injection time of 65 ms, an AGC target value of 1×10^5 , and an isolation width of 1.0 Da. The dynamic exclusion was set to 5 sec. The data-dependent MS/MS were triggered after each full-scan on the [M+H]+ and if negative ionization mode acquisition was conducted on the [M-H]- on masses that were identified from the O3bMix experiments. The collision energy with which the MS/MS scans were triggered were calculated as (-0.41)*exact mass+160 for masses below m/z 350 and were set to 15 for masses above 350 m/z. Quantification of the parent micropollutants was done with the Tracefinder 4.1 software (Thermo Scientific). The smallest standard of the calibration row with a reasonable peak was treated as limit of quantification (LOQ) as given in Table S1.

Text S4. Identification of ozonation transformation products

Please note for 5 parent MPs (2-napthalic-sulfonic-acid 2NS, amisulpride ASP, metoprolol MTO, oseltamivir OSE, and sulfapyridin SPD), for which an *O3bMix* reactor (MC8) failed, no OTP signals could be identified within the matrix simulating a DOC of 1.3 mg/L. However, the experiments were repeated within another matrix simulating a DOC of 5 mg/L (see Text S2.2). The results of these experiments are not shown. However, for these 5 MPs the result of the additional experiments were adopted.

Text S4.1 Generation of a list of suspect OTPs using laboratory ozonation batch experiments (O3bMix) with Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Approach 1)

For each parent MP, a separate Compound Discoverer 2.1 run in positive and negative mode was conducted to screen for corresponding OTP signals. The following details were chosen for the Compound Discoverer 2.1 run.

Two study factors were defined

- Mix with the levels: column mix, row mix, control mix
- *Time Points* with the levels: 0h (time zero sample, before ozone addition), S2 (2nd sample at 53s), S4 (4th sample at 158 s), S6 (6th sample at 308 s), S7 (7th sample at 488 s), Sc (sample of the control reactor)

For the uploaded measurement files, the study factors were selected. For the files of the control reactor, the *Time Points* Sc were selected instead of assigning different time point levels. In this way, the automatically calculated mean value of this group could be used. Figure S10 illustrates the selection.

At the Sample Groups and Ratios step, *Time points: Oh* was selected to generate Ratios as can be seen in Figure S11.

The applied Workflow is illustrated in Figure S12, the node settings are given in Table S5.

Input File Characterization

Manually define and assign the study variables for each input file. Or, to setup a regular expression that automatically extracts the study variables from each input file, click Advanced.

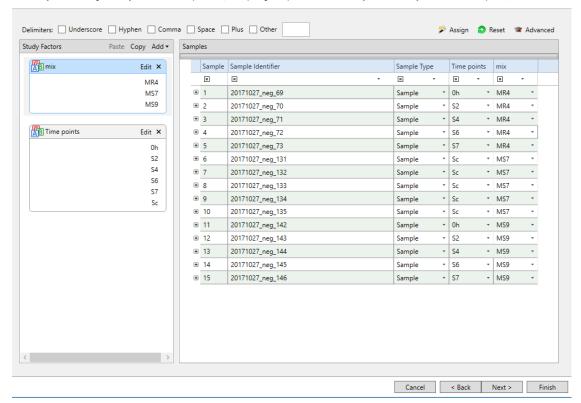


Figure S10: Input file assignment for Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Approach 1).

Sample Groups and Ratios

Select the study variables for sample grouping and add ratios for group comparisons.

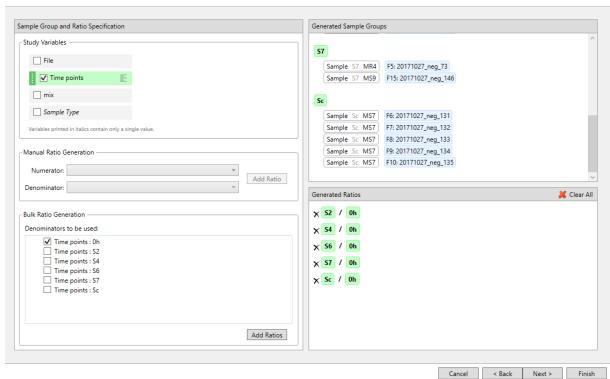


Figure S11: Sample Groups and Ratios for Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Approach 1).

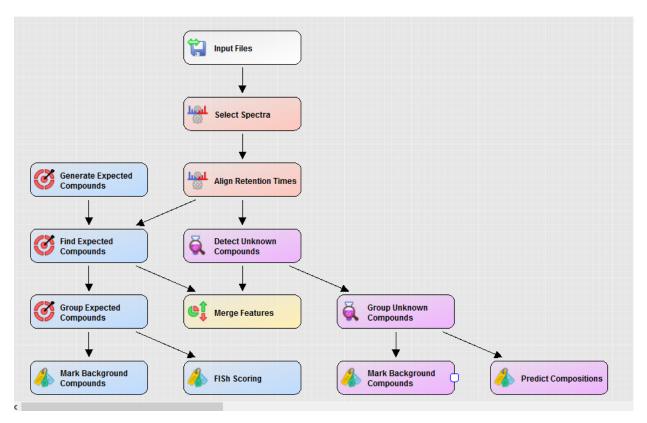


Figure S12: Applied workflow in Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Approach 1).

Table S5: Compound Discoverer 2.1 settings for the evaluation of the O3bMix experiments (Approach 1). In blue are highlighted settings that were different for the evaluation of samples measured in positive and negative mode. The first settings refer to the evaluation in positive mode and the second to the evaluation in negative mode. In the Generate Expected Compounds note the respective parent MP was selected as highlighted in green.

| Select Spectra | Detect Unknown Compounds | Generate Expected Compounds |
|---|---|--|
| General Settings: Precursor Selection: Use MS(n - | General Settings: Mass Tolerance [ppm]: 5 ppm | 1.Compound Selection - Compound: respective parent |
| 1) Precursor | - Intensity Tolerance [%]: 30 - S/N Threshold: 3 | Micropollutant |
| 2. Spectrum Properties Filter: | - Min. Peak Intensity: 10000/1000 | 2. Dealkylation |
| - Lower RT Limit: 0 | - lons: [M+H]+H / [M-H]-1 | - Apply Dealkylation: True |
| - Upper RT Limit: 0 - First Scan: 0 | - Min. Element Counts: C H - Max. Element Counts: C90 H190 | - Apply Dearylation: True |
| - First Scan. 0 - Last Scan: 0 | Br3 Cl4 K2 N10 Na2 O18 P3 S5 | - Max. #Steps: 1 - Min. Mass [Da]: 200 |
| - Ignore Specified Scan: | BIS 614 NZ N 10 Naz 616 1 3 55 | - Will. Wass [Daj. 200 |
| - Lowest Charge State: 0 | | 3. Transformations |
| - Highest Charge State: 0 | Group Unknown Compounds | - Phase : some meaningful reactions |
| - Min. Precursor Mass: 100 Da | | - Phase : 0 |
| - Max. Precursor Mass: 5000 Da | Compound Consolidation | -Others: manually entered reactions |
| - Total Intensity Threshold: 0 | - Mass Tolerance: 5 ppm | according to (Schollée et al. 2018) |
| - Minimum Peak Count: 1 | - RT Tolerance [min]: 0.5 | - Max. # Phase : 0 |
| 3. Scan Event Filters: | 2. Fragment Data Selection: | - Max.# All Steps: 3 |
| - Mass Analyzer: (not specified) | - Preferred Ions: [M+H]+ / [M-H]- | 4.Ionization |
| - MS Order: Any | Troiding ions. [Will] / [Will] | -lons: [M+H]+ / [M-H]- |
| - Activation Type: (not specified) | | |
| - Min. Collision Energy: 0 | Mark Background Compounds | Find Expected Compounds |
| - Max. Collision Energy: 1000 | | |
| - Scan Type: Any | General Settings: | 1.General Settings |
| - Polarity Mode: Is + / Is- | - Max. Sample/Blank: 5 | - Mass Tolerance: 5ppm |
| 4. Peak Filters: | - Max. Blank/Sample: 0 | - Intensity Tolerance [%]: 30 |
| - S/N Threshold (FT-only): 1.5 | - Hide Background: True | - Intensity Threshold [%]: 0.1 - SN Threshold: 3 |

| 5. Replacements for Unrecognized Properties: - Unrecognized Charge Replacements: 1 - Unrecognized Mass Analyzer Replacements: ITMS - Unrecognized MS Order Replacements: MS2 - Unrecognized Activation Type Replacements: CID | Merge Features 1. Peak Consolidation - Mass Tolerance: 5 ppm - RT Tolerance [min]: 0.5 | - Min. # Isotopes: 2 - Min. Peak. Intensity: 1000 - Average Peak Width [min]: 0 Group Expected Compounds 1.Compound Consolidation - RT Tolerance [min]: 0.5 2. Fragment Data Selection - Preferred Ions: [M+H]+ / [M-H]- |
|---|---|--|
| | Predict Compositions 1.Prediction Settings - Mass Tolerance: 5 ppm - Min. Element Counts: CH - Max. Element Counts: C90 H190 | Mark Background Compounds 1. General Settings: - Max. Sample/Blank: 5 - Max. Blank/Sample: 0 - Hide Background: True |
| Align Retention Times 1. General Settings: - Alignment Model: Adaptive curve - Maximum Shift [min]: 2 - Mass Tolerance: 5 ppm | Br3 Cl4 K2 N10 Na2 O18 P3 S5 - Min. RDBE: 0 - Max. RDBE: 40 - Min. H/C: 0.1 - Max. H/C: 3.5 - Max. # Candidates: 10 2. Pattern Matching - Intensity Tolerance [%]: 30 - Intensity Threshold [%]: 0.1 - S/N Threshold: 3 - Use Dynamic Recalibration: True 3.Fragments Matching - Use Fragments Matching: True - Mass Tolerance: 5ppm - S/N Threshold: 3 | FISh Scoring 1. General Settings - Annotate Full Tree: True - Match Transformations: True - High Acc. Mass Tolerance: 2.5mmu - Low Acc. Mass Tolerance: 0.5 Da 2. Fragmented Prediction Settings - Use General Rules: True - Use Libraries: True - Max. Depth: 5 - Aromatic Cleavage: True - Min. Fragment m/z: 50 |

After the processing of Compound Discoverer 2.1, the following steps were conducted:

- Checking the presence of 3-5 internal standards and 1-3 parent compounds.
- Reducing the hits within the Merged Features tab by an automatic filtering with the following criteria as illustrated in Figure S13:
 - 1. the peak had to increase at least 5 times from the samples before to the samples after ozone addition
 - 2. presence in both mixtures containing the respective parent MP
 - 3. absence in the control mixture

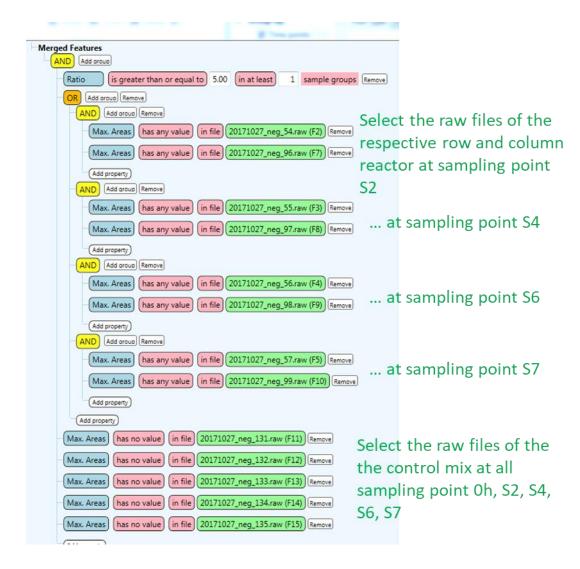


Figure S13: Filter criteria applied for Merged Features in Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Approach 1).

Afterwards, the profiles were manually investigated and selected based on the following criteria:

- reasonable peak shape by visual inspection
- meaningful presence / absence in the treated / control samples
- higher chance to be selected if questionable if present in the Expected Compounds tab

Text S4.2 Identification of OTP signals that are simultaneously forming in O3bAll and WWTP samples with Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Approach 2)

To identify OTP signals that are formed in our reference laboratory ozonation batch experiment (O3bAll) and in the WWTPs, we used Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Thermo Scientific) for a separate evaluation in positive and negative mode. We uploaded the samples from the O3bAll experiments and from the four different WWTPs. Since the O3bMix experiments were already performed and measured within Approach 1 (A-C), we uploaded these samples as well. By doing so, we performed Approach 2C and 2F at the same time.

Three study factors (*Mix, Sample points, type*) with different levels were applied (see Figure S14). Most of them were only important for a neat arrangement in the resulting table. Relevant for the filtering were only the following three levels of the study factor *type*:

- 13_70_all (assigned to all samples of the O3bAll experiment after ozone addition)
- all_SO (assigned to all samples of the O3bAll experiment before ozone addition)
- Blind (assigned to blind samples)

The applied Workflow is illustrated in Figure S15, the node settings are given in Table S6.

| Sample | Sample Identifier | Sample Type | | mix | | Sample p | Туре | |
|----------------|--|------------------|---|--------------|----------|----------------|------|----------------|
| | • | + E + | | ■ + | | | | |
| € S1 | 20181203_online_neg_017 | Sample | ÷ | 3_NG | + | 3_EFF | + | 3_EFF |
| S2 | 20181203_online_neg_018 | Sample | + | 3_NG | + | 3_EFF | + | 3_EFF |
| € S3 | 20181203_online_neg_019 | Sample | + | 2_GL | ¥ | 3_EFF | + | 3_EFF |
| ∃ S4 | 20181203_online_neg_020 | Sample | | 2_GL | Ţ | 3_EFF | + | 3_EFF |
| € S5 | 20181203_online_neg_021 | Sample | | 2_GL | | 3_EFF | + | 3_EFF |
| B S6 | 20181203_online_neg_022 | Sample | | 1_AR | Ţ | 3_EFF | | 3_EFF |
| € S7 | 20181203_online_neg_023 | Sample | | 4_PR | | 3_EFF | | 3_EFF |
| € S8 | 20181203_online_neg_025 | Sample | | 3_NG | | 2_OZO | | 2_OZO |
| E S9 | 20181203_online_neg_026 | Sample | | 3_NG | | 2_OZO | + | 2_OZO |
| S10 | 20181203_online_neg_027 | Sample | | 2_GL | Ţ | 2_OZO | | 2_OZO |
| S11 | 20181203_online_neg_028 | Sample | | 2_GL | | 2_OZO | + | 2_OZO |
| S12 | 20181203_online_neg_029 | Sample | | 2_GL | Ţ | 2_OZO | | 2_OZO |
| S13 | 20181203_online_neg_030 | Sample | + | 1_AR | - | 2_OZO | | 2_OZO |
| S14 | 20181203_online_neg_031 | Sample | | 4_PR | • | 2_0Z0 | · | 2_0Z0 |
| S15 | 20181203_online_neg_033 | Sample | | 3_NG | · | 1_BIO | | 1_BIO |
| S16 | 20181203_online_neg_033 | Sample | • | 3_NG | • | 1_BIO | • | |
| S17 | | | | | · | _ | - | 1_BIO |
| 517 E S18 | 20181203_online_neg_035 20181203 online neg_036 | Sample Sample | • | 2_GL 2_GL | · | 1_BIO 1_BIO | · | 1_BIO 1_BIO |
| | | Sample | | | _ | _ | _ | |
| € S19 € S20 | 20181203_online_neg_037 | | • | 2_GL | · | 1_BIO | · | 1_BIO |
| | 20181203_online_neg_038 | Sample | · | 1_AR | _ | 1_BIO | - | 1_BIO |
| S21 | 20181203_online_neg_039 | Sample | | 4_PR | _ | 1_BIO | • | 1_BIO |
| S22 | 20181203_online_neg_042 | Sample | * | control | * | Blind | * | Blind |
| S23 | 20181203_online_neg_071 | Sample | * | control | * | Blind | * | Blind |
| S24 | 20181203_online_neg_086 | Sample | * | control | * | Blind | * | Blind |
| S25 | 20181203_online_neg_112 | Sample | * | control | * | Blind | * | Blind |
| € S26 | 20181203_online_neg_113 | Sample | * | MRall | * | S0 | * | all_S0 |
| € S27 | 20181203_online_neg_114 | Sample | * | MRall | * | S2 | * | _13_70a |
| € S28 | 20181203_online_neg_115 | Sample | * | MRall | * | S4 | * | _13_70a |
| E S29 | 20181203_online_neg_116 | Sample | * | MRall | * | S6 | * | _13_70a |
| € S30 | 20181203_online_neg_117 | Sample | * | MRall | * | S7 | * | _13_70a |
| € S31 | 20181203_online_neg_119 | Sample | * | MRall | * | SO Disast | * | all_S0 |
| € S36 | 20181203_online_neg_124 | Sample | • | control | * | Blind | • | Blind |
| € S37 | 20181203_online_neg_125 | Sample | * | MR0 | * | S2 | • | _13_70_ |
| £ \$38 | 20181203_online_neg_126 | Sample | • | MR0 | * | S6 | _ | _13_70_ |
| E S39 | 20181203_online_neg_127 | Sample | * | MR1 | * | S2 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S40 | 20181203_online_neg_128 | Sample | - | MR1 | • | S6 | - | _13_70_ |
| E S41 | 20181203_online_neg_129 | Sample | * | MR2 | * | S2 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S42 | 20181203_online_neg_130 | Sample | • | MR2 | • | S6 | * | _13_70_ |
| E S43 | 20181203_online_neg_131 | Sample | * | MR3 | * | S2 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S44 | 20181203_online_neg_132 | Sample | • | MR3 | • | S6 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S45 | 20181203_online_neg_133 | Sample | * | MR4 | * | S2 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S46 | 20181203_online_neg_134 | Sample | * | MR4 | * | S6 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S47 | 20181203_online_neg_136 | Sample | * | MR5 | * | S2 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S48 | 20181203_online_neg_137 | Sample | * | MR5 | * | S6 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S49 | 20181203_online_neg_138 | Sample | * | MR6 | * | S2 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S50 | 20181203_online_neg_139 | Sample | * | MR6 | * | S6 | + | _13_70_ |
| ± S51 | 20181203_online_neg_140 | Sample | * | MR7 | * | S2 | * | _13_70_ |
| € S52 | 20181203_online_neg_141 | Sample | * | MR7 | * | S6 | + | _13_70_ |
| ± S53 | 20181203_online_neg_142 | Sample | | MR8 | - | S2 | - | _13_70_ |

Figure S14: Input file assignment for Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Approach 2).

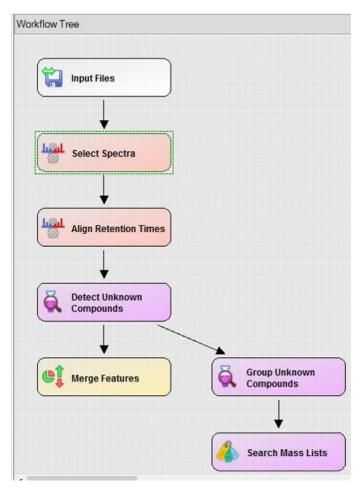


Figure S15: Applied workflow in Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Approach 2).

Table S6: Compound Discoverer 2.1 settings for the evaluation of the O3bAll experiments and WWTP samples (Approach 2). In blue are highlighted settings that were different for the evaluation of samples measured in positive and negative mode. The first settings refer to the evaluation in positive mode and the second to the evaluation in negative mode. In green are the two lists of suspected neutral OTP masses that were uploaded. The first list was generated through Approach 1 and the second list is a compilation of OTP masses known from literature.

Select Spectra Align Retention Times **Group Unknown Compounds** 1. General Settings: General Settings: 1. Compound Consolidation - Precursor Selection: Use MS(n - 1) Precursor - Alignment Model: Adaptive curve - Mass Tolerance: 5 ppm - RT Tolerance [min]: 0.5 - Maximum Shift [min]: 2 2. Spectrum Properties Filter: - Mass Tolerance: 5 ppm - Lower RT Limit: 0 2. Fragment Data Selection: - Upper RT Limit: 0 - Preferred Ions: [M+H]+ / [M-H]-- First Scan: 0 - Last Scan: 0 - Ignore Specified Scan: **Detect Unknown Compounds** Search mass list - Lowest Charge State: 0 - Highest Charge State: 0 Input file(s): 1. General Settings: - Min. Precursor Mass: 100 Da CDin_allMPs_CDRPneg_neutral.csv, - Mass Tolerance [ppm]: 5 ppm - Max. Precursor Mass: 5000 Da - Intensity Tolerance [%]: 30 CDin_allMPs_litneg_neutral.csv - Total Intensity Threshold: 0 - S/N Threshold: 3 - Mass Tolerance: 15 ppm - Minimum Peak Count: 1 - Min. Peak Intensity: 10000/1000 - RT Tolerance: 1 - lons: [M+H]+H / [M-H]-1 Consider Retention Time: False 3. Scan Event Filters: - Min. Element Counts: C H - Mass Analyzer: (not specified) - Max. Element Counts: C90 H190 - MS Order: Any Br3 Cl4 K2 N10 Na2 O18 P3 S5 - Activation Type: (not specified) - Min. Collision Energy: 0 - Max. Collision Energy: 1000 Merge Features

| - Scan Type: Any | | |
|--|---|---|
| - Polarity Mode: Is + / Is- | Peak Consolidation | |
| | Mass Tolerance: 5 ppm | |
| 4. Peak Filters: | - RT Tolerance [min]: 0.5 | |
| - S/N Threshold (FT-only): 1.5 | | ļ |
| | | |
| 5. Replacements for Unrecognized Properties: | | |
| - Unrecognized Charge Replacements: 1 | | |
| Unrecognized Mass Analyzer Replacements: | | |
| ITMS | | |
| - Unrecognized MS Order Replacements: MS2 | | |
| - Unrecognized Activation Type Replacements: CID | | |

To identify signals in the WWTPs that were also formed in our *O3bAll* experiments, we used an automatic filter and a manual selection. The automatic filter had the following criteria (see Figure S16):

Signals had to

- be in at least one *O3bAll* sample after ozone addition
- increase at least 2 times in the *O3bAll* experiment from the sample before ozone addition to any sample at a later time point
- be 5 times higher in the *O3bAll* samples than in the blank samples (20 mL nanopure water augmented with 16 μ L ISTD stock solution)
- have any value in WWTP samples after ozonation or post-treatment
- have a retention time between 4 and 28 min
- have a maximal area of at least 10000 / 1000 in positive / negative mode

Signals were manually selected, based on the pattern in the ozonation batch experiments over time and the occurrence in the WWTP samples. Since we had knowledge of suspect OTPs of 70 MPs from Approach 1, we used this information by uploading the list of all exact masses of identified OTP signals. That way, an easier selection of OTP signals was possible as MS² spectra were available. However, Approach 2 can be applied without this prior knowledge.

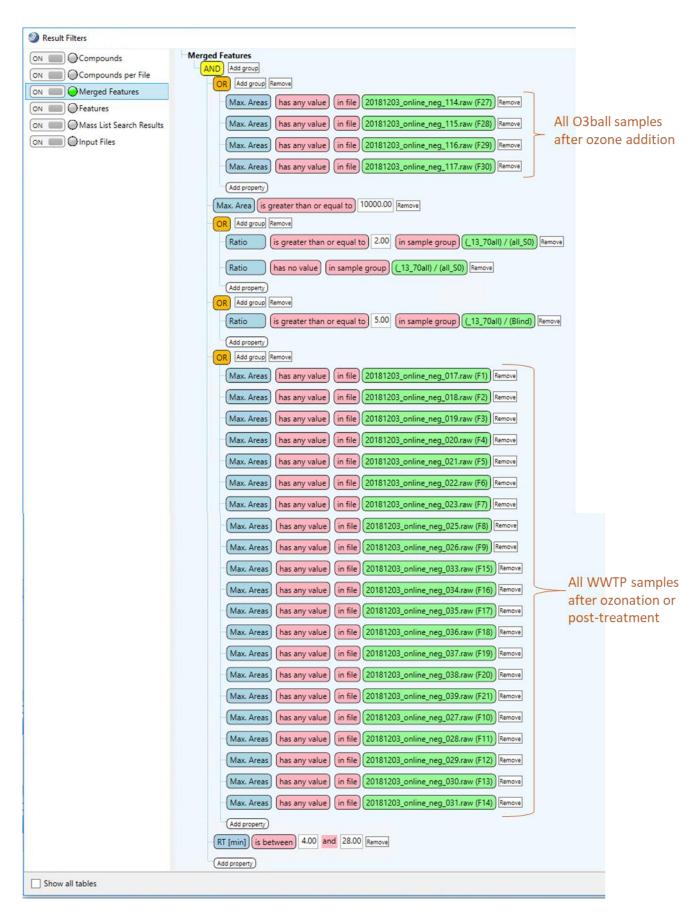


Figure S16: Filter criteria applied for Merged Features in Compound Discoverer 2.1 (Approach 2).

Text S5. Measured and calculated abatement of micropollutants in O3bAll

Figure S17 illustrates the observed abatement of the four parent MPs atrazine, bezafibrate, ibuprofen, and ketoprofen in the ozonation batch experiments (*O3bAll*) and the expected abatement based on second-order rate constants for their reactions with ozone and •OH (data derived from literature). The good match between experimental data and calculations shows that the ozonation batch experiments are well controlled in terms of ozone and hydroxyl radical exposures and the R_{ct}.

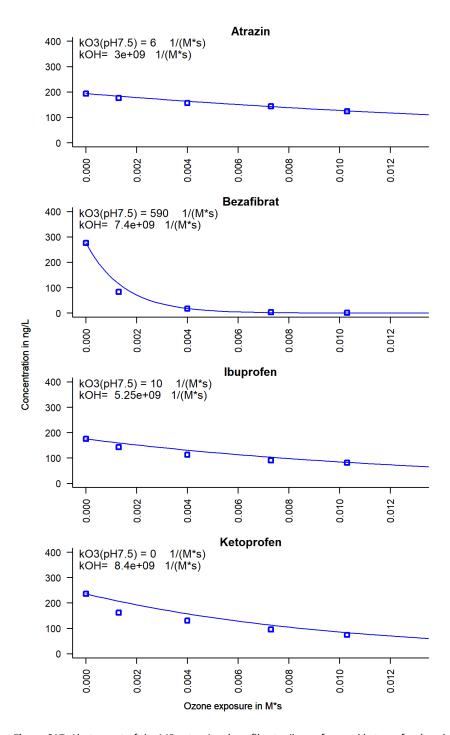


Figure S17: Abatement of the MPs atrazine, bezafibrate, ibuprofen, and ketoprofen (symbols) as a function of the ozone exposure in the O3bAll experiment. The line illustrates the calculated abatement based on the second order rate constants for the reaction of the MPs with ozone and hydroxyl radical from the literature (Acero et al. 2000, Huber et al. 2003, Real et al. 2009).

Text S6. Results of OTPs found in batch experiments and wastewater treatment

Overall, 84 OTPs could be detected, which originated from 40 of the 87 investigated MPs. For 47 MPs, no OTPs were assigned. Between 1 and 7 of the detected 84 OTPs were assigned to the same parent MPs (Figure S18). For most parents (22), only 1 OTP was found, for 17 MPs 2-4 OTPs, while for carbamazepine 6 OTPs and for sitagliptin 7 OTPs were observed.

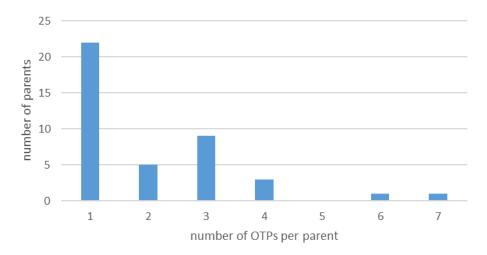


Figure S18: Amount of OTPs (from all 84 detected OTPs) assigned to a parent.

In the attached Excel Table S3, details on all the detected 84 OTPs are listed.

Figure S19:

In the attached pdf file, all the results for the 84 OTPs found in wastewater treatment are visually shown. The following information is given for each OTP:

- Top left: OTP formation in ozonation batch experiments
- Top right: Fate of parent MP in wastewater treatment
- Middle: (left) Fate of OTP in post-treatment (% formed or abated) and (right) OTP peak area in all wastewater samples in the four WWTPs. The score and evaluation of MS² spectra match of WWTP OZO samples to batch samples is given below.
- Bottom: Information on OTP identification (exact mass, formula, atomic modification, proposed structure, confidence level, Massbank identifier, MS² spectra and interpretation of it)

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