A new mechanism for regional atmospheric chemistry modeling

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Abstract. A new gas-phase chemical mechanism for the modeling of regional atmospheric chemistry, the “Regional Atmospheric Chemistry Mechanism” (RACM) is presented. The mechanism is intended to be valid for remote to polluted conditions and from the Earth’s surface through the upper troposphere. The RACM mechanism is based upon the earlier Regional Acid Deposition Model, version 2 (RADM2) mechanism [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990] and the more detailed Euro-RADM mechanism [Stockwell and Kley, 1994]. The RACM mechanism includes rate constants and product yields from the most recent laboratory measurements, and it has been tested against environmental chamber data. A new condensed reaction mechanism is included for biogenic compounds: isoprene, α -pinene, and d-limonene. The branching ratios for alkane decay were reevaluated, and in the revised mechanism the aldehyde to ketone ratios were significantly reduced. The relatively large amounts of nitrates resulting from the reactions of unbranched alkenes with NO_3 are now included, and the production of HO from the ozonolysis of alkenes has a much greater yield. The aromatic chemistry has been revised through the use of new laboratory data. The yield of cresol production from aromatics was reduced, while the reactions of HO, NO_3 , and O_3 with unsaturated dicarbonyl species and unsaturated peroxyacetyl nitrate are now included in the RACM mechanism. The peroxyacetyl nitrate chemistry and the organic peroxy radical–peroxy radical reactions were revised, and organic peroxy radical + NO_3 reactions were added.

1. Introduction

The gas-phase chemical mechanism is one of the most important components of an atmospheric chemistry model. These models require high-quality gas-phase chemical mechanisms to calculate the concentrations of atmospheric chemical species. The concentrations of ozone and other air pollutants are determined by the emissions of nitrogen oxides and reactive organic species, gas- and aqueous-phase chemical reaction rates, deposition, and meteorological conditions.

There are several important mechanisms which are widely used for modeling the chemistry of the troposphere including the mechanism of Lurmann *et al.* [1986], the carbon bond IV mechanism of Gery *et al.* [1989], and the mechanism for the Regional Acid Deposition Model (RADM2) [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. For example, the RADM2 mechanism is used in many photochemical transport/transformation atmospheric chemistry models to predict concentrations of oxidants and other air pollutants [Chang *et al.*, 1991; Hass *et al.*, 1995; Vogel *et al.*, 1995].

Since these mechanisms have been published, much new laboratory work has become available [Le Bras, 1997; DeMore *et al.*, 1994; Atkinson *et al.*, 1992b; Atkinson, 1994]. The purpose of this paper is to present a completely revised version of the mechanism of Stockwell *et al.* [1990] and to show the effect of the revisions on calculated chemical concentrations. Since the purpose of the new mechanism is to describe atmospheric

chemistry on a regional scale, we have named it the “Regional Atmospheric Chemistry Mechanism” (RACM). The RACM mechanism was created to be capable of simulating the troposphere from the Earth’s surface through the upper troposphere and to be valid for simulating remote to polluted urban conditions.

The mechanism includes 17 stable inorganic species, 4 inorganic intermediates, 32 stable organic species (4 of these are primarily of biogenic origin), and 24 organic intermediates (Table 1). The RACM mechanism includes 237 reactions (Table 2). The mechanism and its use are described in the subsequent text. The text is divided into section 2 on the inorganic chemistry and section 3 on the organic chemistry. The organic chemistry section includes a description of the aggregation procedures for emissions and the development of the chemistry for alkanes, carbonyls, alkenes, aromatics; the decomposition products of aromatics; and the primarily biogenic species, isoprene, α -pinene, and d-limonene. The oxidation mechanism for isoprene, α -pinene, and d-limonene is much more detailed and realistic than that in the RADM2 mechanism [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. The aggregation factors for the organic emissions are given in Table 3. Sections 4 and 5 present comparisons of the mechanism with environmental chamber data and with the RADM2 mechanism, respectively. The treatment of peroxy radical reactions were described by Kirchner and Stockwell [1996a].

2. Inorganic Chemistry

Tropospheric inorganic chemistry is relatively well known. During the day the chemistry is driven by the photolysis of

Table 1. RACM Mechanism Species List

No.	Species	Definition	Carbon Number	Molecular Weight
<i>Stable Inorganic Compounds</i>				
Oxidants				
1	O ₃	ozone		48
2	H ₂ O ₂	hydrogen peroxide		34
Nitrogenous compounds				
3	NO	nitric oxide		30
4	NO ₂	nitrogen dioxide		46
5	NO ₃	nitrogen trioxide		62
6	N ₂ O ₅	dinitrogen pentoxide		108
7	HONO	nitrous acid		47
8	HNO ₃	nitric acid		63
9	HNO ₄	pernitric acid		79
Sulfur compounds				
10	SO ₂	sulfur dioxide		64
11	SULF	sulfuric acid		98
Carbon oxides				
12	CO	carbon monoxide	1	28
13	CO ₂	carbon dioxide	1	44
<i>Abundant Stable Species</i>				
14	N ₂	nitrogen		28
15	O ₂	oxygen		32
16	H ₂ O	water		18
17	H ₂	hydrogen		2
<i>Inorganic Short-Lived Intermediates</i>				
18	O ³ P	ground state oxygen atom, O(³ P)		16
19	O ¹ D	excited state oxygen atom, O(¹ D)		16
Odd hydrogen				
20	HO	hydroxy radical		17
21	HO ₂	hydroperoxy radical		33
<i>Stable Organic Compounds</i>				
Alkanes				
22	CH ₄	methane	1.0	16
23	ETH	ethane	2.0	30
24	HC3	alkanes, alcohols, esters, and alkynes with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) less than $3.4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$	2.9	44
25	HC5	alkanes, alcohols, esters, and alkynes with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) between 3.4×10^{-12} and $6.8 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$	4.8	72
26	HC8	alkanes, alcohols, esters, and alkynes with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) greater than $6.8 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$	7.9	114
Alkenes				
27	ETE	ethene	2.0	28
28	OLT	terminal alkenes	3.8	42
29	OLI	internal alkenes	5.0	68
30	DIEN	butadiene and other anthropogenic dienes	4.0	54
Stable biogenic alkenes				
31	ISO	isoprene	5.0	68
32	API	α -pinene and other cyclic terpenes with one double bond	10.0	136
33	LIM	d-limonene and other cyclic diene-terpenes	10.0	136
Aromatics				
34	TOL	toluene and less reactive aromatics	7.1	92
35	XYL	xylene and more reactive aromatics	8.9	106
36	CSL	cresol and other hydroxy substituted aromatics	6.6	108
Carbonyls				
37	HCHO	formaldehyde	1.0	30
38	ALD	acetaldehyde and higher aldehydes	2.4	44
39	KET	ketones	3.5	72
40	GLY	glyoxal	2.0	58
41	MGLY	methylglyoxal and other α -carbonyl aldehydes	3.0	72
42	DCB	unsaturated dicarbonyls	4.2	87
43	MACR	methacrolein and other unsaturated monoaldehydes	4.0	70
44	UDD	unsaturated dihydroxy dicarbonyl	4.2	119
45	HKET	hydroxy ketone	3.0	74

Table 1. (continued)

No.	Species	Definition	Carbon Number	Molecular Weight
Organic nitrogen				
46	ONIT	organic nitrate	4.0	119
47	PAN	peroxyacetyl nitrate and higher saturated PANs	2.0	121
48	TPAN	unsaturated PANs	4.0	147
Organic peroxides				
49	OP1	methyl hydrogen peroxide	1.0	48
50	OP2	higher organic peroxides	2.0	62
51	PAA	peroxyacetic acid and higher analogs	2.0	76
Organic acids				
52	ORA1	formic acid	1.0	46
53	ORA2	acetic acid and higher acids	2.0	60
<i>Organic Short-Lived Intermediates</i>				
Peroxy radicals from alkanes				
54	MO ₂	methyl peroxy radical	1.0	47
55	ETHP	peroxy radical formed from ETH	2.0	61
56	HC3P	peroxy radical formed from HC3	2.9	75
57	HC5P	peroxy radical formed from HC5	4.8	103
58	HC8P	peroxy radical formed from HC8	7.9	145
Peroxy radicals from alkenes				
59	ETEP	peroxy radicals formed from ETE	2.0	77
60	OLTP	peroxy radicals formed from OLT	3.8	91
61	OLIP	peroxy radicals formed from OLI	4.8	117
Peroxy radicals from biogenic alkenes				
62	ISOP	peroxy radicals formed from ISO and DIEN	5.0	117
63	APIP	peroxy radicals formed from API	10.0	185
64	LIMP	peroxy radicals formed from LIM	10.0	185
Radicals produced from aromatics				
65	PHO	phenoxy radical and similar radicals	6.6	107
66	ADDT	aromatic-HO adduct from TOL	7.1	109
67	ADDX	aromatic-HO adduct from XYL	8.9	123
68	ADDC	aromatic-HO adduct from CSL	6.6	125
69	TOLP	peroxy radicals formed from TOL	7.1	141
70	XYLP	peroxy radicals formed from XYL	8.9	155
71	CSLP	peroxy radicals formed from CSL	6.6	157
Peroxy radicals with carbonyl groups				
72	ACO ₃	acetyl peroxy and higher saturated acyl peroxy radicals	2.0	75
73	TCO ₃	unsaturated acyl peroxy radicals	4.0	115
74	KETP	peroxy radicals formed from KET	3.9	103
Other peroxy radicals				
75	OLNN	NO ₃ -alkene adduct reacting to form carbonitrates + HO ₂	3.0	136
76	OLND	NO ₃ -alkene adduct reacting via decomposition	3.0	136
77	XO ₂	accounts for additional NO to NO ₂ conversions	...	...

ozone and nitrogen dioxide [Warneck, 1988]. The photolysis of ozone produces excited oxygen atoms, O(¹D), and a fraction of these react with H₂O to produce the hydroxyl radical (HO). HO reacts with inorganic and organic species to oxidize them. Many of these reactions produce HO₂ or organic peroxy radicals which either react with NO to convert it to NO₂ or (under low NO_x conditions) react to produce hydroperoxides. The conversion of NO to NO₂ and the subsequent photolysis of NO₂ produces more ozone. Ozone and NO₂ react to form nitrate radical (NO₃) which is a very important reactive species during the nighttime [Morris and Niki, 1974; Japar and Niki, 1975; Platt et al., 1980]. The RACM mechanism has a reasonably complete set of inorganic reactions. The inorganic rate constants were set to the values recommended by DeMore et al.

[1994], and most of these changes from RADM2 were relatively small.

The cross sections and quantum yields for the photolysis of the inorganic species are taken from DeMore et al. [1994]. For NO₃, DeMore et al. [1994] recommended the data from the review of Wayne et al. [1991]. Comparing the revised photolysis frequencies to the previous RADM2 values, there is an increase of 15–20% in the photolysis frequencies for HONO and a similar percent increase for both NO₃ photolysis channels. Larger relative changes occur for the relatively low photolysis frequencies of HNO₃ and HO₂NO₂. The photolysis frequencies for NO₂ and O₃ remained nearly unchanged after the updates.

Several inorganic reactions were added to the RACM mech-

Table 2a. The RACM Mechanism: Photolysis Reactions

Reaction No.	Reaction	Photolysis Frequency, ^a s ⁻¹	Cross Section	Quantum Yield
(R1)	NO ₂ → O ³ P + NO	7.50 × 10 ⁻³	DeMore et al. [1994]	DeMore et al. [1994]
(R2)	O ₃ → O ¹ D + O ₂	1.62 × 10 ⁻⁵	DeMore et al. [1994]	DeMore et al. [1994]
(R3)	O ₃ → O ³ P + O ₂	4.17 × 10 ⁻⁴	DeMore et al. [1994]	total yield of O ¹ D and O ³ P assumed to be unity
(R4)	HONO → HO + NO	1.63 × 10 ⁻³	DeMore et al. [1994]	DeMore et al. [1994]
(R5)	HNO ₃ → HO + NO ₂	4.50 × 10 ⁻⁷	DeMore et al. [1994]	assumed to be unity
(R6)	HNO ₄ → 0.65 HO ₂ + 0.65 NO ₂ + 0.35 HO + 0.35 NO ₃	3.17 × 10 ⁻⁶	DeMore et al. [1994]	assumed to be unity
(R7)	NO ₃ → NO + O ₂	2.33 × 10 ⁻²	Wayne et al. [1991]	Wayne et al. [1991]
(R8)	NO ₃ → NO ₂ + O ³ P	1.87 × 10 ⁻¹	Wayne et al. [1991]	Wayne et al. [1991]
(R9)	H ₂ O ₂ → HO + HO	6.00 × 10 ⁻⁶	DeMore et al. [1994]	assumed to be unity
(R10)	HCHO → H ₂ + CO	3.50 × 10 ⁻⁵	wavelengths <300 nm: Moortgat et al. [1980] wavelengths >300 nm: Cantrell et al. [1990]	wavelengths <300 nm: Atkinson et al. [1994] ^b wavelengths >300 nm: DeMore et al. [1994] ^b
(R11)	HCHO → 2 HO ₂ + CO	2.17 × 10 ⁻⁵	same references as (R10)	same references as (R10) ^b
(R12)	ALD → MO ₂ + HO ₂ + CO	3.67 × 10 ⁻⁶	Martinez et al. [1992]	Atkinson [1994] ^b
(R13)	OP1 → HCHO + HO ₂ + HO	4.17 × 10 ⁻⁶	DeMore et al. [1994]	DeMore et al. [1994]
(R14)	OP2 → ALD + HO ₂ + HO	4.17 × 10 ⁻⁶	same as (R13)	same as (R13)
(R15)	PAA → MO ₂ + HO	1.57 × 10 ⁻⁶	H ₂ O ₂ cross sections scaled by 0.28; Giguere and Olmos [1956]	assumed to be unity
(R16)	KET → ETHP + ACO ₃	6.67 × 10 ⁻⁷	Martinez et al. [1992]	Atkinson [1994]
(R17)	GLY → 0.13 HCHO + 1.87 CO + 0.87 H ₂	5.83 × 10 ⁻⁵	Atkinson et al. [1992b]	wavelengths <340: 0.0 wavelengths >340: 0.029 Atkinson et al. [1992b]
(R18)	GLY → 0.45 HCHO + 1.55 CO + 0.80 HO ₂ + 0.15 H ₂	2.00 × 10 ⁻⁵	Atkinson et al. [1992b]	wavelengths <340: 0.4 wavelengths >340: 0.0 Atkinson et al. [1992b]
(R19)	MGLY → CO + HO ₂ + ACO ₃	9.33 × 10 ⁻⁵	Atkinson [1994] and Staffelbach et al. [1995]	estimated from Koch and Moortgat [1996]
(R20)	DCB → TCO ₃ + HO ₂	4.33 × 10 ⁻⁴	Stockwell et al. [1990]	Stockwell et al. [1990]
(R21)	ONIT → 0.20 ALD + 0.80 KET + HO ₂ + NO ₂	2.17 × 10 ⁻⁶	assumed to be mixture of 20% n-propyl nitrate and 80% i-propyl nitrate; Atkinson [1994]	Atkinson [1994]
(R22)	MACR → CO + HCHO + HO ₂ + ACO ₃	1.33 × 10 ⁻⁶	Gardner et al. [1987] assumed equal to acrolein	Gardner et al. [1987]
(R23)	HKET → HCHO + HO ₂ + ACO ₃	6.67 × 10 ⁻⁷	same as (R16)	same as (R16)

^aTypical photolysis frequencies are given for solar zenith angle 40°, June 21, summer surface 40° northern latitude.

^bPressure dependences given by $\varphi(\lambda, P) = \varphi(\lambda, 1 \text{ atm}) / \{\varphi(\lambda, 1 \text{ atm}) + [1 - \varphi(\lambda, 1 \text{ atm})] \times P\}$, where P is in atmospheres.

anism. The reaction of O(³P) with nitrogen oxides, especially the reaction of O(³P) with NO₂, can be important in the upper atmosphere [Warneck, 1988]:

In the original RADM2 mechanism the reaction of O(³P) with NO₂ produced only NO; however, O(³P) can also add to NO₂ to produce NO₃ [DeMore et al., 1994]. Both reactions are now included although rapid photolysis of NO₃ would be expected to limit the importance of (2).

The reaction of O(³P) with ozone was added because it is important in the upper atmosphere [Warneck, 1988]:

The reaction of HO with H₂ is a significant loss reaction for HO in the remote atmosphere:

The rate constant for (5) at 298 K is $6.7 \times 10^{-15} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ [DeMore et al., 1994] which is about equal to the rate constant for the HO + CH₄ reaction, $6.9 \times 10^{-15} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ [Atkinson, 1994]. If the surface concentrations for H₂ and CH₄ are assumed to be 500 and 1700 ppbv, respectively, then the rate of the reaction of HO with H₂ is about 30% that of the HO + CH₄ reaction.

For completeness, the reaction of HO with nitrous acid (6) was added. The rate constant for this reaction is $4.86 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 298 K. The rate of the HONO + HO is about 2.4% of the HONO photolysis reaction if an HO concentration of $1 \times 10^7 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and a HONO photolysis frequency of $2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$ are assumed:

The reactions of NO₃ are very important for nighttime atmospheric chemistry. The NO₃ self-reaction (7) was added for atmospheric conditions with very high NO_x and O₃ concentrations during the nighttime. For example, for NO₃ concentration of 300 parts per trillion (ppt) [Platt et al., 1980] and a NO

Table 2b. The RACM Mechanism

Reaction No.	Reaction	A , $\text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	E/R , K	k^a	Note
<i>Inorganic Reactions</i>					
(R24)	$\text{O}^3\text{P} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}_3$	Table 2f		1.50×10^{-14}	1
(R25)	$\text{O}^3\text{P} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 2 \text{O}_2$	8.00×10^{-12}	2060	7.96×10^{-15}	1
(R26)	$\text{O}^1\text{D} + \text{N}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}^3\text{P} + \text{N}_2$	1.80×10^{-11}	-110	2.60×10^{-11}	1
(R27)	$\text{O}^1\text{D} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}^3\text{P} + \text{O}_2$	3.20×10^{-11}	-70	4.05×10^{-11}	1
(R28)	$\text{O}^1\text{D} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{HO} + \text{HO}$	2.20×10^{-10}		2.20×10^{-10}	1
(R29)	$\text{O}_3 + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	1.60×10^{-12}	940	6.83×10^{-14}	1
(R30)	$\text{O}_3 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HO} + 2 \text{O}_2$	1.10×10^{-14}	500	2.05×10^{-15}	1
(R31)	$\text{HO} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}_2$	4.80×10^{-11}	-250	1.11×10^{-10}	1
(R32)	$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	2.90×10^{-12}	160	1.70×10^{-12}	1
(R33)	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{O}_2$	Table 2f		2.92×10^{-12}	1
(R34)	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{O}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Table 2f		6.58×10^{-30}	1
(R35)	$\text{O}^3\text{P} + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2$	Table 2d		1.66×10^{-12}	1
(R36)	$\text{O}^3\text{P} + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO} + \text{O}_2$	6.50×10^{-12}	-120	9.72×10^{-12}	1
(R37)	$\text{O}^3\text{P} + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3$	Table 2d		1.58×10^{-12}	1
(R38)	$\text{HO} + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{HONO}$	Table 2d		4.87×10^{-12}	1
(R39)	$\text{HO} + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HNO}_3$	Table 2d		1.15×10^{-11}	1
(R40)	$\text{HO} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{HO}_2$	2.20×10^{-11}		2.20×10^{-11}	1
(R41)	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{HO}$	3.70×10^{-12}	-250	8.56×10^{-12}	1
(R42)	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HNO}_4$	Table 2d		1.39×10^{-12}	1
(R43)	$\text{HNO}_4 \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	Table 2e		8.62×10^{-2}	1
(R44)	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.3 \text{HNO}_3 + 0.7 \text{NO}_2 + 0.7 \text{HO} + \text{O}_2$	3.50×10^{-12}		3.50×10^{-12}	1, 2
(R45)	$\text{HO} + \text{HONO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.80×10^{-11}	390	4.86×10^{-12}	1
(R46)	$\text{HO} + \text{HNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Table 2f		1.47×10^{-13}	1
(R47)	$\text{HO} + \text{HNO}_4 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.30×10^{-12}	-380	4.65×10^{-12}	1, 3
(R48)	$\text{O}_3 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	2.00×10^{-12}	1400	1.82×10^{-14}	1
(R49)	$\text{O}_3 + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3 + \text{O}_2$	1.20×10^{-13}	2450	3.23×10^{-17}	1
(R50)	$\text{NO} + \text{NO} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	3.30×10^{-39}	-530	1.95×10^{-38}	4
(R51)	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.50×10^{-11}	-170	2.65×10^{-11}	1
(R52)	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	4.50×10^{-14}	1260	6.56×10^{-16}	1
(R53)	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{N}_2\text{O}_5$	Table 2d		1.27×10^{-12}	1
(R54)	$\text{N}_2\text{O}_5 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_3$	Table 2e		4.36×10^{-2}	1
(R55)	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	8.50×10^{-13}	2450	2.29×10^{-16}	1
(R56)	$\text{HO} + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{HO}_2$	5.50×10^{-12}	2000	6.69×10^{-15}	1
(R57)	$\text{HO} + \text{SO}_2 \rightarrow \text{SULF} + \text{HO}_2$	Table 2d		8.89×10^{-13}	1
(R58)	$\text{CO} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{CO}_2$	Table 2f		2.40×10^{-13}	1
<i>O³P + Organic Compounds</i>					
(R59)	$\text{ISO} + \text{O}^3\text{P} \rightarrow 0.86 \text{OLT} + 0.05 \text{HCHO} + 0.02 \text{HO} + 0.01 \text{CO} + 0.13 \text{DCB} + 0.28 \text{HO}_2 + 0.15 \text{XO}_2$	6.00×10^{-11}		6.00×10^{-11}	5
(R60)	$\text{MACR} + \text{O}^3\text{P} \rightarrow \text{ALD}$	1.59×10^{-11}	-13	1.66×10^{-11}	6
<i>HO + Organic Compounds</i>					
(R61)	$\text{CH}_4 + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{MO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Table 2c		6.86×10^{-15}	7
(R62)	$\text{ETH} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{ETHP} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Table 2c		2.57×10^{-13}	7
(R63)	$\text{HC3} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.583 \text{HC3P} + 0.381 \text{HO}_2 + 0.335 \text{ALD} + 0.036 \text{ORA1} + 0.036 \text{CO} + 0.036 \text{GLY} + 0.036 \text{HO} + 0.010 \text{HCHO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	5.26×10^{-12}	260	2.20×10^{-12}	8
(R64)	$\text{HC5} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.75 \text{HC5P} + 0.25 \text{KET} + 0.25 \text{HO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	8.02×10^{-12}	155	4.77×10^{-12}	8
(R65)	$\text{HC8} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.951 \text{HC8P} + 0.025 \text{ALD} + 0.024 \text{HKET} + 0.049 \text{HO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.64×10^{-11}	125	1.08×10^{-11}	8
(R66)	$\text{ETE} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{ETEP}$	1.96×10^{-12}	-438	8.52×10^{-12}	7
(R67)	$\text{OLT} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{OLTP}$	5.72×10^{-12}	-500	3.06×10^{-11}	8
(R68)	$\text{OLI} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{OLIP}$	1.33×10^{-11}	-500	7.12×10^{-11}	8
(R69)	$\text{DIEN} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{ISOP}$	1.48×10^{-11}	-448	6.65×10^{-11}	7
(R70)	$\text{ISO} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{ISOP}$	2.54×10^{-11}	-410	1.01×10^{-10}	7
(R71)	$\text{API} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{APIP}$	1.21×10^{-11}	-444	5.37×10^{-11}	7
(R72)	$\text{LIM} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{LIMP}$	1.70×10^{-10}		1.71×10^{-10}	7
(R73)	$\text{TOL} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.90 \text{ADDT} + 0.10 \text{XO}_2 + 0.10 \text{HO}_2$	1.81×10^{-12}	-355	5.96×10^{-12}	7
(R74)	$\text{XYL} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.90 \text{ADDX} + 0.10 \text{XO}_2 + 0.10 \text{HO}_2$	7.30×10^{-12}	-355	2.40×10^{-11}	7, 10
(R75)	$\text{CSL} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.85 \text{ADDC} + 0.10 \text{PHO} + 0.05 \text{HO}_2 + 0.05 \text{XO}_2$	6.00×10^{-11}		6.00×10^{-11}	7, 11
(R76)	$\text{HCHO} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{CO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.00×10^{-11}		1.00×10^{-11}	1
(R77)	$\text{ALD} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{ACO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	5.55×10^{-12}	-331	1.69×10^{-11}	7
(R78)	$\text{KET} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{KETP} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Table 2c		6.87×10^{-13}	7
(R79)	$\text{HKET} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{MGLY} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	3.00×10^{-12}		3.00×10^{-12}	7
(R80)	$\text{GLY} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + 2 \text{CO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.14×10^{-11}		1.14×10^{-11}	12
(R81)	$\text{MGLY} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{ACO}_3 + \text{CO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.72×10^{-11}		1.72×10^{-11}	7
(R82)	$\text{MACR} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.51 \text{TCO}_3 + 0.41 \text{HKET} + 0.08 \text{MGLY} + 0.41 \text{CO} + 0.08 \text{HCHO} + 0.49 \text{HO}_2 + 0.49 \text{XO}_2$	1.86×10^{-11}	-175	3.35×10^{-11}	7, 13
(R83)	$\text{DCB} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.50 \text{TCO}_3 + 0.50 \text{HO}_2 + 0.50 \text{XO}_2 + 0.35 \text{UDD} + 0.15 \text{GLY} + 0.15 \text{MGLY}$	2.80×10^{-11}	-175	5.04×10^{-11}	14
(R84)	$\text{UDD} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.88 \text{ALD} + 0.12 \text{KET} + \text{HO}_2$	2.70×10^{-10}		2.70×10^{-10}	15
(R85)	$\text{OP1} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.65 \text{MO}_2 + 0.35 \text{HCHO} + 0.35 \text{HO}$	2.93×10^{-12}	-190	5.54×10^{-12}	7

Table 2b. (continued)

Reaction No.	Reaction	A , $\text{cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$	E/R , K	k^a	Note
(R86)	$\text{OP2} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.44 \text{ HC3P} + 0.08 \text{ ALD} + 0.41 \text{ KET} + 0.49 \text{ HO} + 0.07 \text{ XO}_2$	3.40×10^{-12}	-190	6.43×10^{-12}	16
(R87)	$\text{PAA} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.35 \text{ HCHO} + 0.65 \text{ ACO}_3 + 0.35 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.35 \text{ XO}_2$	2.93×10^{-12}	-190	5.54×10^{-12}	17
(R88)	$\text{PAN} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{XO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{NO}_3$	4.00×10^{-14}		4.00×10^{-14}	1, 18
(R89)	$\text{TPAN} + \text{HO} \rightarrow 0.60 \text{ HKET} + 0.40 \text{ HCHO} + 0.40 \text{ HO}_2 + \text{XO}_2 + 0.40 \text{ PAN} + 0.60 \text{ NO}_3$	3.25×10^{-13}	-500	1.74×10^{-12}	9, 19, 20
(R90)	$\text{ONIT} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{HC3P} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	5.31×10^{-12}	260	2.22×10^{-12}	21
<i>NO₃ + Organic Compounds</i>					
(R91)	$\text{HCHO} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{HNO}_3 + \text{CO}$	3.40×10^{-13}	1900	5.79×10^{-16}	1, 22
(R92)	$\text{ALD} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{ACO}_3 + \text{HNO}_3$	1.40×10^{-12}	1900	2.38×10^{-15}	1
(R93)	$\text{GLY} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{HNO}_3 + \text{HO}_2 + 2 \text{ CO}$	2.90×10^{-12}	1900	4.94×10^{-15}	22, 23
(R94)	$\text{MGLY} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{HNO}_3 + \text{ACO}_3 + \text{CO}$	1.40×10^{-12}	1900	2.38×10^{-15}	24
(R95)	$\text{MACR} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.20 \text{ TCO}_3 + 0.20 \text{ HNO}_3 + 0.80 \text{ OLNN} + 0.80 \text{ CO}$	8.27×10^{-15}	150	5.00×10^{-15}	25
(R96)	$\text{DCB} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.50 \text{ TCO}_3 + 0.50 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.50 \text{ XO}_2 + 0.25 \text{ GLY} + 0.25 \text{ ALD} + 0.03 \text{ KET} + 0.25 \text{ MGLY} + 0.5 \text{ HNO}_3 + 0.5 \text{ NO}_2$	2.87×10^{-13}	1000	1.00×10^{-14}	14
(R97)	$\text{CSL} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{HNO}_3 + \text{PHO}$	2.20×10^{-11}		2.20×10^{-11}	26
(R98)	$\text{ETE} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.80 \text{ OLNN} + 0.20 \text{ OLND}$	Table 2c		2.05×10^{-16}	7
(R99)	$\text{OLT} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.43 \text{ OLNN} + 0.57 \text{ OLND}$	1.79×10^{-13}	450	3.95×10^{-14}	8, 27
(R100)	$\text{OLI} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.11 \text{ OLNN} + 0.89 \text{ OLND}$	8.64×10^{-13}	-450	3.91×10^{-12}	8, 27
(R101)	$\text{DIEN} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.90 \text{ OLNN} + 0.10 \text{ OLND} + 0.90 \text{ MACR}$	1.0×10^{-13}		1.0×10^{-13}	28
(R102)	$\text{ISO} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.90 \text{ OLNN} + 0.10 \text{ OLND} + 0.90 \text{ MACR}$	4.00×10^{-12}	446	8.96×10^{-13}	29
(R103)	$\text{API} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.10 \text{ OLNN} + 0.90 \text{ OLND}$	1.19×10^{-12}	-490	6.16×10^{-12}	7
(R104)	$\text{LIM} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.13 \text{ OLNN} + 0.87 \text{ OLND}$	1.22×10^{-11}		1.22×10^{-11}	7
(R105)	$\text{TPAN} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.60 \text{ ONIT} + 0.60 \text{ NO}_3 + 0.40 \text{ PAN} + 0.40 \text{ HCHO} + 0.40 \text{ NO}_2 + \text{XO}_2$	2.20×10^{-14}	500	4.11×10^{-15}	9, 19, 30
<i>O₃ + Organic Compounds</i>					
(R106)	$\text{ETE} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + 0.43 \text{ CO} + 0.37 \text{ ORA1} + 0.26 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.13 \text{ H}_2 + 0.12 \text{ HO}$	9.14×10^{-15}	2580	1.59×10^{-18}	7
(R107)	$\text{OLT} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 0.64 \text{ HCHO} + 0.44 \text{ ALD} + 0.37 \text{ CO} + 0.14 \text{ ORA1} + 0.10 \text{ ORA2} + 0.25 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.40 \text{ HO} + 0.03 \text{ KET} + 0.03 \text{ KETP} + 0.06 \text{ CH}_4 + 0.05 \text{ H}_2 + 0.006 \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2 + 0.03 \text{ ETH} + 0.19 \text{ MO}_2 + 0.10 \text{ ETHP}$	4.33×10^{-15}	1800	1.03×10^{-17}	8, 31
(R108)	$\text{OLI} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 0.02 \text{ HCHO} + 0.99 \text{ ALD} + 0.16 \text{ KET} + 0.30 \text{ CO} + 0.011 \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2 + 0.14 \text{ ORA2} + 0.07 \text{ CH}_4 + 0.22 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.63 \text{ HO} + 0.23 \text{ MO}_2 + 0.12 \text{ KETP} + 0.06 \text{ ETH} + 0.18 \text{ ETHP}$	4.40×10^{-15}	845	2.58×10^{-16}	8, 31
(R109)	$\text{DIEN} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 0.90 \text{ HCHO} + 0.39 \text{ MACR} + 0.36 \text{ CO} + 0.15 \text{ ORA1} + 0.09 \text{ O}^3\text{P} + 0.30 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.35 \text{ OLT} + 0.28 \text{ HO} + 0.05 \text{ H}_2 + 0.15 \text{ ACO}_3 + 0.03 \text{ MO}_2 + 0.02 \text{ KETP} + 0.13 \text{ XO}_2 + 0.001 \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2$	1.34×10^{-14}	2283	6.33×10^{-18}	7
(R110)	$\text{ISO} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 0.90 \text{ HCHO} + 0.39 \text{ MACR} + 0.36 \text{ CO} + 0.15 \text{ ORA1} + 0.09 \text{ O}^3\text{P} + 0.30 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.35 \text{ OLT} + 0.28 \text{ HO} + 0.05 \text{ H}_2 + 0.15 \text{ ACO}_3 + 0.03 \text{ MO}_2 + 0.02 \text{ KETP} + 0.13 \text{ XO}_2 + 0.001 \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2$	7.86×10^{-15}	1913	1.28×10^{-17}	7
(R111)	$\text{API} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 0.65 \text{ ALD} + 0.53 \text{ KET} + 0.14 \text{ CO} + 0.20 \text{ ETHP} + 0.42 \text{ KETP} + 0.85 \text{ HO} + 0.10 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.02 \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2$	1.01×10^{-15}	736	8.66×10^{-17}	7
(R112)	$\text{LIM} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 0.04 \text{ HCHO} + 0.46 \text{ OLT} + 0.14 \text{ CO} + 0.16 \text{ ETHP} + 0.42 \text{ KETP} + 0.85 \text{ HO} + 0.10 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.02 \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2 + 0.79 \text{ MACR} + 0.01 \text{ ORA1} + 0.07 \text{ ORA2}$	2.00×10^{-16}		2.00×10^{-16}	7
(R113)	$\text{MACR} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 0.40 \text{ HCHO} + 0.60 \text{ MGLY} + 0.13 \text{ ORA2} + 0.54 \text{ CO} + 0.08 \text{ H}_2 + 0.22 \text{ ORA1} + 0.29 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.07 \text{ HO} + 0.13 \text{ OP2} + 0.13 \text{ ACO}_3$	1.36×10^{-15}	2112	1.14×10^{-18}	32
(R114)	$\text{DCB} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 0.21 \text{ HO} + 0.29 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.66 \text{ CO} + 0.50 \text{ GLY} + 0.28 \text{ ACO}_3 + 0.16 \text{ ALD} + 0.62 \text{ MGLY} + 0.11 \text{ PAA} + 0.11 \text{ ORA1} + 0.21 \text{ ORA2}$	2.00×10^{-18}		2.00×10^{-18}	14
(R115)	$\text{TPAN} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 0.70 \text{ HCHO} + 0.30 \text{ PAN} + 0.70 \text{ NO}_2 + 0.13 \text{ CO} + 0.04 \text{ H}_2 + 0.11 \text{ ORA1} + 0.08 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.036 \text{ HO} + 0.70 \text{ ACO}_3$	2.46×10^{-15}	1700	8.19×10^{-18}	9, 19, 33
<i>Reactions of Intermediates Produced by Aromatic Oxidation</i>					
(R116)	$\text{PHO} + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow 0.10 \text{ CSL} + \text{ONIT}$	2.00×10^{-11}		2.00×10^{-11}	34
(R117)	$\text{PHO} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CSL}$	1.00×10^{-11}		1.00×10^{-11}	35
(R118)	$\text{ADDT} + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CSL} + \text{HONO}$	3.60×10^{-11}		3.60×10^{-11}	7
(R119)	$\text{ADDT} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 0.98 \text{ TOLP} + 0.02 \text{ CSL} + 0.02 \text{ HO}_2$	1.66×10^{-17}	-1044	5.52×10^{-16}	7
(R120)	$\text{ADDT} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{CSL} + \text{HO}$	5.00×10^{-11}		5.00×10^{-11}	36
(R121)	$\text{ADDX} + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CSL} + \text{HONO}$	3.60×10^{-11}		3.60×10^{-11}	37
(R122)	$\text{ADDX} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 0.98 \text{ XYLP} + 0.02 \text{ CSL} + 0.02 \text{ HO}_2$	1.66×10^{-17}	-1044	5.52×10^{-16}	37
(R123)	$\text{ADDX} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{CSL} + \text{HO}$	1.00×10^{-11}		1.00×10^{-11}	37
(R124)	$\text{ADDC} + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CSL} + \text{HONO}$	3.60×10^{-11}		3.60×10^{-11}	37
(R125)	$\text{ADDC} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 0.98 \text{ CSLP} + 0.02 \text{ CSL} + 0.02 \text{ HO}_2$	1.66×10^{-17}	-1044	5.52×10^{-16}	37
(R126)	$\text{ADDC} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{CSL} + \text{HO}$	5.00×10^{-11}		5.00×10^{-11}	37
<i>Peroxyacynitrate Formation and Decomposition</i>					
(R127)	$\text{ACO}_3 + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{PAN}$	Table 2d		8.66×10^{-12}	1
(R128)	$\text{PAN} \rightarrow \text{ACO}_3 + \text{NO}_2$	Table 2e		4.63×10^{-4}	38
(R129)	$\text{TCO}_3 + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{TPAN}$	Table 2d		8.66×10^{-12}	38
(R130)	$\text{TPAN} \rightarrow \text{TCO}_3 + \text{NO}_2$	Table 2e		4.63×10^{-4}	38

Table 2b. (continued)

Reaction No.	Reaction	A , $\text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	E/R , K	k^a	Note
<i>NO + Organic Peroxy Radicals</i>					
(R131)	$\text{MO}_2 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	4.2×10^{-12}	-180	7.68×10^{-12}	1
(R132)	$\text{ETHP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{ALD} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	8.7×10^{-12}		8.70×10^{-12}	1
(R133)	$\text{HC3P} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.047 \text{HCHO} + 0.233 \text{ALD} + 0.623 \text{KET} + 0.063 \text{GLY}$ $+ 0.742 \text{HO}_2 + 0.15 \text{MO}_2 + 0.048 \text{ETHP} + 0.048 \text{XO}_2 + 0.059 \text{ONIT}$ $+ 0.941 \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R134)	$\text{HC5P} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.021 \text{HCHO} + 0.211 \text{ALD} + 0.722 \text{KET} + 0.599 \text{HO}_2$ $+ 0.031 \text{MO}_2 + 0.245 \text{ETHP} + 0.334 \text{XO}_2 + 0.124 \text{ONIT} + 0.876 \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R135)	$\text{HC8P} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.15 \text{ALD} + 0.642 \text{KET} + 0.133 \text{ETHP} + 0.261 \text{ONIT}$ $+ 0.739 \text{NO}_2 + 0.606 \text{HO}_2 + 0.416 \text{XO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R136)	$\text{ETEP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 1.6 \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2 + 0.2 \text{ALD}$	9.0×10^{-12}		9.00×10^{-12}	7, 39
(R137)	$\text{OLTP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.94 \text{ALD} + \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2 + 0.06 \text{KET}$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R138)	$\text{OLIP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + 1.71 \text{ALD} + 0.29 \text{KET} + \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R139)	$\text{ISOP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.446 \text{MACR} + 0.354 \text{OLT} + 0.847 \text{HO}_2 + 0.606$ $\text{HCHO} + 0.153 \text{ONIT} + 0.847 \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R140)	$\text{APIP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.80 \text{HO}_2 + 0.80 \text{ALD} + 0.80 \text{KET} + 0.20 \text{ONIT} +$ 0.80NO_2	4.0×10^{-12}		4.0×10^{-12}	38
(R141)	$\text{LIMP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.65 \text{HO}_2 + 0.40 \text{MACR} + 0.25 \text{OLI} + 0.25 \text{HCHO} +$ $0.35 \text{ONIT} + 0.65 \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.0×10^{-12}	38
(R142)	$\text{TOLP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.95 \text{NO}_2 + 0.95 \text{HO}_2 + 0.65 \text{MGLY} + 1.20 \text{GLY} +$ $0.50 \text{DCB} + 0.05 \text{ONIT}$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R143)	$\text{XYLP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.95 \text{NO}_2 + 0.95 \text{HO}_2 + 0.60 \text{MGLY} + 0.35 \text{GLY} +$ $0.95 \text{DCB} + 0.05 \text{ONIT}$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R144)	$\text{CSLP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{GLY} + \text{MGLY} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R145)	$\text{ACO}_3 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{MO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	2.0×10^{-11}		2.00×10^{-11}	7, 39
(R146)	$\text{TCO}_3 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{ACO}_3 + \text{HCHO} + \text{NO}_2$	2.0×10^{-11}		2.00×10^{-11}	38
(R147)	$\text{KETP} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.54 \text{MGLY} + 0.46 \text{ALD} + 0.23 \text{ACO}_3 + 0.77 \text{HO}_2 +$ $0.16 \text{XO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R148)	$\text{OLNN} + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{ONIT} + \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R149)	$\text{OLND} + \text{NO} \rightarrow 0.287 \text{HCHO} + 1.24 \text{ALD} + 0.464 \text{KET} + 2 \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
<i>HO₂ + Organic Peroxy Radicals</i>					
(R150)	$\text{MO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP1}$	3.8×10^{-13}	-800	5.57×10^{-12}	1
(R151)	$\text{ETHP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	7.5×10^{-13}	-700	7.86×10^{-12}	1
(R152)	$\text{HC3P} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.66×10^{-13}	-1300	1.30×10^{-11}	38
(R153)	$\text{HC5P} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.66×10^{-13}	-1300	1.30×10^{-11}	38
(R154)	$\text{HC8P} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.66×10^{-13}	-1300	1.30×10^{-11}	38
(R155)	$\text{ETEP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.9×10^{-13}	-1300	1.50×10^{-11}	38, 40
(R156)	$\text{OLTP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.66×10^{-13}	-1300	1.30×10^{-11}	38
(R157)	$\text{OLIP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.66×10^{-13}	-1300	1.30×10^{-11}	38
(R158)	$\text{ISOP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.28×10^{-13}	-1300	1.00×10^{-11}	41
(R159)	$\text{APIP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.50×10^{-11}		1.50×10^{-11}	9
(R160)	$\text{LIMP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.50×10^{-11}		1.50×10^{-11}	9
(R161)	$\text{TOLP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	3.75×10^{-13}	-980	1.01×10^{-11}	38, 40
(R162)	$\text{XYLP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	3.75×10^{-13}	-980	1.01×10^{-11}	38, 40
(R163)	$\text{CSLP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	3.75×10^{-13}	-980	1.01×10^{-11}	38, 40
(R164)	$\text{ACO}_3 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{PAA}$	1.15×10^{-12}	-550	7.28×10^{-12}	40
(R165)	$\text{ACO}_3 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{ORA2} + \text{O}_3$	3.86×10^{-16}	-2640	2.72×10^{-12}	40
(R166)	$\text{TCO}_3 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.15×10^{-12}	-550	7.28×10^{-12}	38
(R167)	$\text{TCO}_3 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{ORA2} + \text{O}_3$	3.86×10^{-16}	-2640	2.72×10^{-12}	38
(R168)	$\text{KETP} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.15×10^{-13}	-1300	9.02×10^{-12}	38, 40
(R169)	$\text{OLNN} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{ONIT}$	1.66×10^{-13}	-1300	1.30×10^{-11}	38
(R170)	$\text{OLND} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{ONIT}$	1.66×10^{-13}	-1300	1.30×10^{-11}	38
<i>Methyl Peroxy Radical + Organic Peroxy Radicals</i>					
(R171)	$\text{MO}_2 + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 1.33 \text{HCHO} + 0.66 \text{HO}_2$	9.1×10^{-14}	-416	3.68×10^{-13}	39
(R172)	$\text{ETHP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 0.75 \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + 0.75 \text{ALD}$	1.18×10^{-13}	-158	2.01×10^{-13}	38, 40
(R173)	$\text{HC3P} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 0.81 \text{HCHO} + 0.992 \text{HO}_2 + 0.58 \text{ALD} + 0.018 \text{KET}$ $+ 0.007 \text{MO}_2 + 0.005 \text{MGLY} + 0.085 \text{XO}_2 + 0.119 \text{GLY}$	9.46×10^{-14}	-431	4.02×10^{-13}	38
(R174)	$\text{HC5P} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 0.829 \text{HCHO} + 0.946 \text{HO}_2 + 0.523 \text{ALD} + 0.24 \text{KET}$ $+ 0.014 \text{ETHP} + 0.049 \text{MO}_2 + 0.245 \text{XO}_2$	1.00×10^{-13}	-467	4.79×10^{-13}	38
(R175)	$\text{HC8P} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 0.753 \text{HCHO} + 0.993 \text{HO}_2 + 0.411 \text{ALD} + 0.419 \text{KET}$ $+ 0.322 \text{XO}_2 + 0.013 \text{ETHP}$	4.34×10^{-14}	-633	3.63×10^{-13}	38
(R176)	$\text{ETEP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 1.55 \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + 0.35 \text{ALD}$	1.71×10^{-13}	-708	1.84×10^{-12}	38
(R177)	$\text{OLTP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 1.25 \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + 0.669 \text{ALD} + 0.081 \text{KET}$	1.46×10^{-13}	-708	1.57×10^{-12}	38
(R178)	$\text{OLIP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 0.755 \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + 0.932 \text{ALD} + 0.313 \text{KET}$	9.18×10^{-14}	-708	9.87×10^{-13}	38
(R179)	$\text{ISOP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 0.550 \text{MACR} + 0.370 \text{OLT} + \text{HO}_2 + 0.08 \text{OLI} +$ 1.09HCHO	1.36×10^{-13}	-708	1.46×10^{-12}	9
(R180)	$\text{APIP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{ALD} + \text{KET} + 2 \text{HO}_2$	3.56×10^{-14}	-708	3.83×10^{-13}	9
(R181)	$\text{LIMP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 1.4 \text{HCHO} + 0.60 \text{MACR} + 0.40 \text{OLI} + 2 \text{HO}_2$	3.56×10^{-14}	-708	3.83×10^{-13}	9
(R182)	$\text{TOLP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + 0.35 \text{MGLY} + 0.65 \text{GLY} + \text{DCB}$	3.56×10^{-14}	-708	3.83×10^{-13}	38
(R183)	$\text{XYLP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + 0.63 \text{MGLY} + 0.37 \text{GLY} + \text{DCB}$	3.56×10^{-14}	-708	3.83×10^{-13}	38
(R184)	$\text{CSLP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow \text{GLY} + \text{MGLY} + \text{HCHO} + 2 \text{HO}_2$	3.56×10^{-14}	-708	3.83×10^{-13}	38

Table 2b. (continued)

Reaction No.	Reaction	A , $\text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	E/R , K	k^a	Note
(R185)	$\text{ACO}_3 + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{MO}_2$	3.21×10^{-11}	440	7.33×10^{-12}	38
(R186)	$\text{ACO}_3 + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{ORA2}$	2.68×10^{-16}	-2510	1.22×10^{-12}	38
(R187)	$\text{TCO}_3 + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{ACO}_3$	3.21×10^{-11}	440	7.33×10^{-12}	38
(R188)	$\text{TCO}_3 + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{ORA2}$	2.68×10^{-16}	-2510	1.22×10^{-12}	38
(R189)	$\text{KETP} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 0.75 \text{HCHO} + 0.88 \text{HO}_2 + 0.40 \text{MGLY} + 0.30 \text{ALD}$ $+ 0.30 \text{HKET} + 0.12 \text{ACO}_3 + 0.08 \text{XO}_2$	6.91×10^{-13}	-508	3.80×10^{-12}	38
(R190)	$\text{OLNN} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 0.75 \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{ONIT}$	1.60×10^{-13}	-708	1.72×10^{-12}	38
(R191)	$\text{OLND} + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow 0.96 \text{HCHO} + 0.5 \text{HO}_2 + 0.64 \text{ALD} + 0.149 \text{KET} +$ $0.5 \text{NO}_2 + 0.5 \text{ONIT}$	9.68×10^{-14}	-708	1.04×10^{-12}	38
<i>Acetyl Radical + Organic Peroxy Radicals</i>					
(R192)	$\text{ETHP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow \text{ALD} + 0.5 \text{HO}_2 + 0.5 \text{MO}_2 + 0.5 \text{ORA2}$	1.03×10^{-12}	-211	2.09×10^{-12}	38
(R193)	$\text{HC3P} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.724 \text{ALD} + 0.127 \text{KET} + 0.488 \text{HO}_2 + 0.508 \text{MO}_2$ $+ 0.006 \text{ETHP} + 0.071 \text{XO}_2 + 0.091 \text{HCHO} + 0.10 \text{GLY} + 0.499$ $\text{ORA2} + 0.004 \text{MGLY}$	6.90×10^{-13}	-460	3.23×10^{-12}	38
(R194)	$\text{HC5P} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.677 \text{ALD} + 0.33 \text{KET} + 0.438 \text{HO}_2 + 0.554 \text{MO}_2$ $+ 0.495 \text{ORA2} + 0.018 \text{ETHP} + 0.237 \text{XO}_2 + 0.076 \text{HCHO}$	5.59×10^{-13}	-522	3.22×10^{-12}	38
(R195)	$\text{HC8P} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.497 \text{ALD} + 0.581 \text{KET} + 0.489 \text{HO}_2 + 0.507 \text{MO}_2$ $+ 0.495 \text{ORA2} + 0.015 \text{ETHP} + 0.318 \text{XO}_2$	2.47×10^{-13}	-683	2.44×10^{-12}	38
(R196)	$\text{ETEP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.8 \text{HCHO} + 0.6 \text{ALD} + 0.5 \text{HO}_2 + 0.5 \text{MO}_2 +$ 0.5ORA2	9.48×10^{-13}	-765	1.24×10^{-11}	38
(R197)	$\text{OLTP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.859 \text{ALD} + 0.501 \text{HCHO} + 0.501 \text{HO}_2 + 0.501$ $\text{MO}_2 + 0.499 \text{ORA2} + 0.141 \text{KET}$	8.11×10^{-13}	-765	1.06×10^{-11}	38
(R198)	$\text{OLIP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.941 \text{ALD} + 0.569 \text{KET} + 0.51 \text{HO}_2 + 0.51 \text{MO}_2 +$ 0.49ORA2	5.09×10^{-13}	-765	6.63×10^{-12}	38
(R199)	$\text{ISOP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.771 \text{MACR} + 0.229 \text{OLT} + 0.506 \text{HO}_2 + 0.494$ $\text{ORA2} + 0.340 \text{HCHO} + 0.506 \text{MO}_2$	7.60×10^{-13}	-765	9.90×10^{-12}	9
(R200)	$\text{APIP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow \text{ALD} + \text{KET} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{MO}_2$	7.40×10^{-13}	-765	9.63×10^{-12}	9
(R201)	$\text{LIMP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.60 \text{MACR} + 0.40 \text{OLI} + 0.40 \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 +$ MO_2	7.40×10^{-13}	-765	9.63×10^{-12}	9
(R202)	$\text{TOLP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow \text{MO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 + 0.35 \text{MGLY} + 0.65 \text{GLY} + \text{DCB}$	7.40×10^{-13}	-765	9.63×10^{-12}	38
(R203)	$\text{XYLP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow \text{MO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 + 0.63 \text{MGLY} + 0.37 \text{GLY} + \text{DCB}$	7.40×10^{-13}	-765	9.63×10^{-12}	38
(R204)	$\text{CSLP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow \text{GLY} + \text{MGLY} + \text{MO}_2 + \text{HO}_2$	7.40×10^{-13}	-765	9.63×10^{-12}	38
(R205)	$\text{ACO}_3 + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 2 \text{MO}_2$	2.80×10^{-12}	-530	1.66×10^{-11}	39
(R206)	$\text{TCO}_3 + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow \text{MO}_2 + \text{ACO}_3 + \text{HCHO}$	2.80×10^{-12}	-530	1.66×10^{-11}	38
(R207)	$\text{KETP} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.54 \text{MGLY} + 0.35 \text{ALD} + 0.11 \text{KET} + 0.12 \text{ACO}_3$ $+ 0.38 \text{HO}_2 + 0.08 \text{XO}_2 + 0.5 \text{MO}_2 + 0.5 \text{ORA2}$	7.51×10^{-13}	-565	5.00×10^{-12}	38
(R208)	$\text{OLNN} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow \text{ONIT} + 0.5 \text{ORA2} + 0.5 \text{MO}_2 + 0.50 \text{HO}_2$	8.85×10^{-13}	-765	1.15×10^{-11}	38
(R209)	$\text{OLND} + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow 0.207 \text{HCHO} + 0.65 \text{ALD} + 0.167 \text{KET} + 0.484$ $\text{ORA2} + 0.484 \text{ONIT} + 0.516 \text{NO}_2 + 0.516 \text{MO}_2$	5.37×10^{-13}	-765	7.00×10^{-12}	38
<i>NO_3-Alkene-Peroxyradical + NO_3-Alkene-Peroxyradical Reactions</i>					
(R210)	$\text{OLNN} + \text{OLNN} \rightarrow 2 \text{ONIT} + \text{HO}_2$	7.0×10^{-14}	-1000	2.00×10^{-12}	38
(R211)	$\text{OLNN} + \text{OLND} \rightarrow 0.202 \text{HCHO} + 0.64 \text{ALD} + 0.149 \text{KET} + 0.50$ $\text{HO}_2 + 1.50 \text{ONIT} + 0.50 \text{NO}_2$	4.25×10^{-14}	-1000	1.22×10^{-12}	38
(R212)	$\text{OLND} + \text{OLND} \rightarrow 0.504 \text{HCHO} + 1.21 \text{ALD} + 0.285 \text{KET} +$ $\text{ONIT} + \text{NO}_2$	2.96×10^{-14}	-1000	8.50×10^{-13}	38
<i>NO_3 + Organic Peroxy Radicals</i>					
(R213)	$\text{MO}_2 + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.2×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R214)	$\text{ETHP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{ALD} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R215)	$\text{HC3P} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.048 \text{HCHO} + 0.243 \text{ALD} + 0.67 \text{KET} + 0.063 \text{GLY}$ $+ 0.792 \text{HO}_2 + 0.155 \text{MO}_2 + 0.053 \text{ETHP} + 0.051 \text{XO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R216)	$\text{HC5P} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.021 \text{HCHO} + 0.239 \text{ALD} + 0.828 \text{KET} + 0.699 \text{HO}_2$ $+ 0.04 \text{MO}_2 + 0.262 \text{ETHP} + 0.391 \text{XO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R217)	$\text{HC8P} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.187 \text{ALD} + 0.88 \text{KET} + 0.845 \text{HO}_2 + 0.155 \text{ETHP}$ $+ 0.587 \text{XO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R218)	$\text{ETEP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 1.6 \text{HCHO} + 0.2 \text{ALD} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R219)	$\text{OLTP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + 0.94 \text{ALD} + 0.06 \text{KET} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R220)	$\text{OLIP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 1.71 \text{ALD} + 0.29 \text{KET} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R221)	$\text{ISOP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.60 \text{MACR} + 0.40 \text{OLT} + 0.686 \text{HCHO} +$ $\text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	42
(R222)	$\text{APIP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{ALD} + \text{KET} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	9
(R223)	$\text{LIMP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.60 \text{MACR} + 0.40 \text{OLI} + 0.40 \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	9
(R224)	$\text{TOLP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.70 \text{MGLY} + 1.30 \text{GLY} + 0.50 \text{DCB} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R225)	$\text{XYLP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 1.26 \text{MGLY} + 0.74 \text{GLY} + \text{DCB} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R226)	$\text{CSLP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{GLY} + \text{MGLY} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R227)	$\text{ACO}_3 + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{MO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	4.00×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R228)	$\text{TCO}_3 + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{ACO}_3 + \text{NO}_2$	4.00×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R229)	$\text{KETP} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.54 \text{MGLY} + 0.46 \text{ALD} + 0.77 \text{HO}_2 + 0.23 \text{ACO}_3 +$ $0.16 \text{XO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R230)	$\text{OLNN} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{ONIT} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38
(R231)	$\text{OLND} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.28 \text{HCHO} + 1.24 \text{ALD} + 0.469 \text{KET} + 2 \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38

Table 2b. (continued)

Reaction No.	Reaction	A , $\text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	E/R , K	k^a	Note
<i>Operator Reactions</i>					
(R232)	$\text{XO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OP2}$	1.66×10^{-13}	-1300	1.30×10^{-11}	38
(R233)	$\text{XO}_2 + \text{MO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2$	5.99×10^{-15}	-1510	9.50×10^{-13}	38
(R234)	$\text{XO}_2 + \text{ACO}_3 \rightarrow \text{MO}_2$	3.40×10^{-14}	-1560	6.38×10^{-12}	38
(R235)	$\text{XO}_2 + \text{XO}_2 \rightarrow$	7.13×10^{-17}	-2950	1.42×10^{-12}	38
(R236)	$\text{XO}_2 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2$	4.0×10^{-12}		4.00×10^{-12}	38
(R237)	$\text{XO}_2 + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2$	1.20×10^{-12}		1.20×10^{-12}	38

Notes 1, *DeMore et al.* [1994]; 2, products estimated (see text); 3, products from *Uselman et al.* [1979]; 4, *Atkinson and Lloyd* [1984]; 5, *Paulson et al.*, [1992a]; 6, rate constant taken to be same as for iso-butene + O^3P [Cvetanovic, 1987]; 7, *Atkinson* [1994]; 8, rate constant and product distribution calculated for average U.S. emissions (see text); 9, *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996b]; 10, E/R taken to be same as for the toluene + HO reaction; 11, taken as *m*-cresol; 12, O_2 -addition channel [Atkinson, 1994] is ignored for simplification (see text); 13, *Tuazon and Atkinson* [1990]; 14, rate constant from *Bierbach et al.* [1994]; 15, rate constant from *Wiesen et al.* [1995]; 16, rate constant estimated as for propyl hydroperoxide; 17, rate constant as for $\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{H} + \text{HO}$; 18, rate constant is upper limit; 19, TPAN treated as methacrylic peroxy nitrate; 20, rate constant from *Grosjean et al.* [1993a], E/R from *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996b], and products from *Grosjean et al.* [1993b]; 21, rate constant taken to be as HC3; decomposition is assumed; 22, E/R is treated as $\text{ALD} + \text{NO}_3$; 23, rate constant is assumed to be equal to $2 \times k(\text{ALD} + \text{NO}_3) - k(\text{ETH} + \text{NO}_3)$; 24, rate constant is treated as $\text{ALD} + \text{NO}_3$; 25, rate constant is taken to be as crotonaldehyde [Atkinson, 1994] and E/R and products from *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996b]; 26, rate constant is estimated as the mean of a mixture of 50% methylphenol and 50% dimethylphenol [Atkinson, 1994]; 27, rate constant is uncertain because of large variation in rate constant for alkenes grouped into model species; 28, *Atkinson* [1991]; 29, rate constant is the mean of eight measurements, and products are described by *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996b]; 30, rate constant taken to be 80% of estimated rate constant for methacrolein by *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996b]; 31, rate constant and products estimated from *Atkinson* [1994]; 32, rate constant from *Atkinson* [1994], and the products were estimated from *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996b]; 33, rate constant is from constant from *Grosjean et al.* [1993a], the yield of HCHO was from *Grosjean et al.* [1993b], and other products and E/R were estimated by *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996b]; 34, rate constant taken to be same as $\text{CH}_3\text{O} + \text{NO}_2$; 35, rate constant taken to be same as $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{HO}_2$ [Le Bras, 1997]; 36, the difference between *Bierbach* [1994] and *Atkinson* [1994] was assumed (see text); 37, rate constant same as corresponding reaction for ADDT; 38, *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996a]; 39, *Lightfoot et al.* [1992]; 40, *Le Bras* [1997]; 41, rate constant taken to be same as $\text{HO}_2 + \text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{O}$ [Le Bras, 1997]; 42, rate constant taken to be same as $\text{HCP} + \text{NO}_3$.

^aThe rate constants are for 298 K and 1 atm. The units for rate constants of first-order reactions are s^{-1} ; of second-order reactions, $\text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$; and for third-order reactions, $\text{cm}^6 \text{s}^{-1}$. For second-order reactions the rate constants are given by $k = A \exp [(-E/R)/T]$ unless indicated otherwise.

concentration of 0.2 ppt, the NO_3 radical self-reaction occurs at a rate that is 2.6% of the rate of its reaction with NO:

Some studies have found evidence for the thermal decomposition of NO_3 [Johnston et al., 1986; Davidson et al., 1990; Hjorth et al., 1992]; this reaction could be especially important during warm summer nights:

However, these results are contradicted by the studies of *Russell et al.* [1986] and *Davis et al.* [1993]. *DeMore et al.* [1994] rule out (8) on the basis of the results of *Davis et al.* [1993], who determined that barrier to thermal dissociation is 47.3 kcal mol^{-1} . On this basis, (8) was not included in the new mechanism.

Cantrell et al. [1985] showed that the reaction of HO_2 with NO_3 was important for nighttime chemistry. Further research by several groups [Hall et al., 1988; Becker et al., 1992; Mellouki et al., 1993] has shown that the rate constant and especially the

products for this reaction in the RADM2 mechanism had to be revised. *DeMore et al.* [1994] recommend a weighted average ($3.5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$) of *Hall et al.* [1988], *Mellouki et al.* [1988, 1993], and *Becker et al.* [1992] for the overall rate constant. This recommendation was adopted. Yields of 0.7 for the HO -producing channel and 0.3 for the HNO_3 -producing channel were taken from *Le Bras* [1997]:

These yields are consistent with those of *Becker et al.* [1992] and *Mellouki et al.* [1988, 1993] within the experimental uncertainties.

Reaction (10) was added for completeness to the RACM mechanism because of nighttime production of HO from (9) and other sources:

In the atmosphere, N_2O_5 reacts with water to produce HNO_3 primarily through heterogeneous processes:

Table 2c. The RACM Chemical Mechanism: Reaction Rate Constants of the Form $k = T^2 C \exp (-D/T)$

Reaction No.	Reaction	C , $\text{K}^{-2} \text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	D , K	Note
(R61)	$\text{CH}_4 + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{MO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	7.44×10^{-18}	1361	7
(R62)	$\text{ETH} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{ETHP} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.51×10^{-17}	492	7
(R78)	$\text{KET} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{KETP} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	5.68×10^{-18}	-92	7
(R98)	$\text{ETE} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 0.80 \text{OLNN} + 0.20 \text{OLND}$	4.88×10^{-18}	2282	7

Note 7, *Atkinson* [1994].

Table 2d. The RACM Chemical Mechanism: Troe Reactions

Reaction No.	Reaction	k_0^{300} , cm ³ s ⁻¹	n	k_∞^{300} , cm ³ s ⁻¹	m	Note
(R35)	O ³ P + NO → NO ₂	9.00×10^{-32}	1.5	3.00×10^{-11}	0.0	1
(R37)	O ³ P + NO ₂ → NO ₃	9.00×10^{-32}	2.0	2.20×10^{-11}	0.0	1
(R38)	HO + NO → HONO	7.00×10^{-31}	2.6	1.50×10^{-11}	0.5	1
(R39)	HO + NO ₂ → HNO ₃	2.60×10^{-30}	3.2	2.40×10^{-11}	1.3	1
(R42)	HO ₂ + NO ₂ → HNO ₄	1.80×10^{-31}	3.2	4.70×10^{-12}	1.4	1
(R53)	NO ₃ + NO ₂ → N ₂ O ₅	2.20×10^{-30}	3.9	1.50×10^{-12}	0.7	1
(R57)	HO + SO ₂ → SULF + HO ₂	3.00×10^{-31}	3.3	1.50×10^{-12}	0.0	1
(R127)	ACO ₃ + NO ₂ → PAN	9.70×10^{-29}	5.6	9.30×10^{-12}	1.5	1
(R129)	TCO ₃ + NO ₂ → TPAN	9.70×10^{-29}	5.6	9.30×10^{-12}	1.5	38

Here, k (cm³ molecule⁻¹ s⁻¹) = $\{k_0(T)[M]/(1 + k_0(T)[M]/k_\infty(T))\}0.6^{(1 + [\log_{10}(k_0(T)[M]/k_\infty(T))]^2)^{-1}}$ where: $k_0(T) = k_0^{300}(T/300)^{-n}$; $k_\infty(T) = k_\infty^{300}(T/300)^{-m}$; and $[M]$ is the concentration of air in molecules cm⁻³ [DeMore et al., 1994]. Note 1, DeMore et al. [1994]; 38, Kirchner and Stockwell [1996a, 1997].

However, the gas-phase reaction of N₂O₅ with H₂O is not a fast reaction due to entropy considerations [Calvert and Stockwell, 1983]. Experimental measurements of the gas-phase rate constant are complicated by a strong heterogeneous component to the reaction rate. The rate constant utilized by RADM2, 2.0×10^{-21} cm³ s⁻¹, is the upper limit recommended by DeMore et al. [1994]. Other workers report an upper limit of 5×10^{-22} cm³ s⁻¹ [Sverdrup et al., 1987]. Given the entropy considerations and the strong interference of heterogeneous reactions in the available measurements, this reaction was omitted from the RACM mechanism.

3. Organic Chemistry

The recent mechanisms of Andersson-Sköld [1995] and Jenkin et al. [1996] include highly detailed descriptions of atmospheric organic oxidation mechanisms. The mechanism of Andersson-Sköld was developed to describe the gas-phase chemistry of 90 emitted compounds, and this mechanism includes more than 700 species with nearly 2000 reactions. The mechanism of Jenkin et al. is even larger with 120 emitted organic compounds reacting in 2500 chemical species and 7000 chemical reactions. However, emissions inventories include hundreds of emitted volatile organic compounds (VOC) [Middleton et al., 1990]. Given the need to conserve computational resources for a transport/transformation model and the complexity of explicit detailed mechanisms, it is necessary to group organic compounds together to form a manageable set of model classes. For the same reason, many multiple pathways are formulated as one reaction in the RACM mechanism, and not all organic intermediates (i.e., alkyl radicals) are explicitly described.

3.1. Aggregation of Organic Compounds

For the RACM mechanism the hundreds of VOCs in the real atmosphere are aggregated into 16 anthropogenic and 3 biogenic model species (Table 3). The grouping of organic chemical species into the RACM model species is based on the magnitudes of the emission rates, similarities in functional groups and the compound's reactivity toward HO [Middleton et al., 1990; Stockwell et al., 1990]. The aggregation procedure was done in two steps to simplify the process. First, hundreds of anthropogenic VOC are grouped into 32 emission categories, and second, these categories are aggregated into 16 model species (Table 3). For further details the reader is referred to Middleton et al. [1990] and Stockwell et al. [1990]. Here we focus on our revisions to the procedure. In the text the following subscripts are used: "i" for chemical species, "cat" for Middleton et al. emission categories, and "m" for model species. It should be stressed that the aggregated rate constants presented in Table 2b and the aggregation factors presented in Table 3 were calculated on the basis of a specific emissions inventory [Middleton et al., 1990]. The procedure is completely general and can be used to adapt the mechanism's rate constants and the aggregation factors to other inventories. The procedure is illustrated in detail for alkanes, and it is applicable to the other classes of organic compounds as well.

One of the parameters used for the aggregation is the reactivity of the VOC toward HO. The rate constants $k_{m,\text{HO}}$ for the reactions of the model species with HO were calculated as the weighted mean of the rate constants $k_{\text{cat},\text{HO}}$ of all categories aggregated together into a single model species (for an example, see Table 4). The rate constants $k_{\text{cat},\text{HO}}$ of the categories were calculated as the weighted mean of the rate constants $k_{i,\text{HO}}$ at 298 K of the chemical species grouped into this

Table 2e. The RACM Chemical Mechanism: Troe Equilibrium Reactions

Reaction No.	Reaction	A	B	k_0^{300} , cm ⁶ s ⁻¹	n	k_∞^{300} , cm ³ s ⁻¹	m	Note
(R43)	HNO ₄ → HO ₂ + NO ₂	$4.76 \times 10^{+26}$	10900	1.80×10^{-31}	3.2	4.70×10^{-12}	1.4	1
(R54)	N ₂ O ₅ → NO ₂ + NO ₃	$3.70 \times 10^{+26}$	11000	2.20×10^{-30}	3.9	1.50×10^{-12}	0.7	1
(R128)	PAN → ACO ₃ + NO ₂	$1.16 \times 10^{+28}$	13954	9.70×10^{-29}	5.6	9.30×10^{-12}	1.5	38
(R130)	TPAN → TCO ₃ + NO ₂	$1.16 \times 10^{+28}$	13954	9.70×10^{-29}	5.6	9.30×10^{-12}	1.5	38

Here, k (s⁻¹) = $A \exp(-B/T) \times \{k_0(T)[M]/(1 + k_0(T)[M]/k_\infty(T))\}0.6^{(1 + [\log_{10}(k_0(T)[M]/k_\infty(T))]^2)^{-1}}$, where $k_0(T)$, $k_\infty(T)$, and $[M]$ are as defined for Table 2f [DeMore et al., 1994]. Notes 1, DeMore et al. [1994]; 38, Kirchner and Stockwell [1996a].

Table 2f. The RACM Chemical Mechanism: Reactions With Special Rate Expressions

Reaction No.	Reaction	Rate Constant Expression ^a	Note
(R24)	$\text{O}^3\text{P} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}_3$	$[M] \times 6.0 \times 10^{-34} \times (T/300 \text{ K})^{-2.3}$	1
(R33)	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$2.3 \times 10^{-13} \times \exp(600/T) + 1.7 \times 10^{-33} \times [M] \times \exp(1000/T)$	1
(R34)	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{O}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$3.22 \times 10^{-34} \times \exp(2800/T) + 2.38 \times 10^{-54} \times [M] \times \exp(3200/T)$	1
(R46)	$\text{HO} + \text{HNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$k = k_0 + k_3/(1 + k_3/k_2)$ $k_0 = 7.2 \times 10^{-15} \times \exp(785/T)$ $k_2 = 4.1 \times 10^{-16} \times \exp(1440/T)$ $k_3 = 1.9 \times 10^{-33} \times \exp(725/T) \times [M]$	1
(R58)	$\text{CO} + \text{HO} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{CO}_2$	$1.5 \times 10^{-13} \times (1 + 2.439 \times 10^{-20} \times [M])$	1

Note 1, *DeMore et al.* [1994].^aThe units for second-order rate constants are $\text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$ and for third-order the units are $\text{cm}^6 \text{s}^{-1}$. For all of the above, $[M]$ is the concentration of air in molecules cm^{-3} .**Table 3.** Allocation of Emissions Categories to RACM Species

Category ^a	Emission Category Description ^a	RACM Species	Aggregation Factor
1	methane	CH4	1.00
2	ethane	ETH	1.00
3	propane	HC3	0.57
4	alkanes with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) between 1.7×10^{-12} and $3.4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	HC3	1.11
5	alkanes with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) between 3.4×10^{-12} and $6.8 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	HC5	0.97
6	alkanes with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) between 6.8×10^{-12} and $1.36 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	HC8	0.94
7	alkanes with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) greater than $1.36 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	HC8	1.14
8	alkane/aromatic mix	HC8 XYL	0.91 0.09
9	ethene	ETE	1.00
10	propene	OLT	1.00
11	alkenes (primary)	OLT	1.00
12	alkenes (internal)	OLI	1.00
13	alkenes (primary/internal mix)	OLI OLT	0.50 0.50
14	benzene, halobenzenes	TOL	0.29
15	aromatics with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) less than $1.36 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	TOL	1.00
16	aromatics with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) greater than $1.36 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	XYL	1.00
17	phenols and cresols	CSL	1.00
18	styrenes	OLT TOL	1.00 1.00
19	formaldehyde	HCHO	1.00
20	higher aldehydes	ALD	1.00
21	acetone	KET	0.33
22	higher ketones	KET	1.61
23	organic acids ^b	ORA2	1.00
24	acetylene	HC3	0.41
25	haloalkenes	HC3	0.44
26	unreactive		
27	others with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) less than $1.7 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	HC3	0.49
28	others with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) between 1.7×10^{-12} and $3.4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	HC3	1.37
29	others with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) between 3.4×10^{-12} and $6.8 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	HC5	1.07
30	others with HO rate constant (298 K, 1 atm) greater than $6.8 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$	HC8	1.15
31	unidentified ^c		
32	unassigned ^c		

^aEmission inventory and definition of emission categories taken from *Middleton et al.* [1990].^bThere was no separate category for formic acid emissions given by *Middleton et al.* [1990]. If formic acid emissions are available, they should be grouped into ORA1 with an aggregation factor of 1.00.^cNot assigned to any model species.

Table 4. Allocation of Alkane Emissions to RACM Species

Model Species	Categories ^a and Chemical Species ^b	Chemical Species		Category			Model Species k_{m,HO_3} $10^{-12} \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$
		Emission Rate, ^c Mmol yr^{-1}	k_{i,HO_3} ^d $10^{-12} \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$	Percent Emission, ^e $\%E_{\text{cat}}$	k_{cat,HO_3} ^f $10^{-12} \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$	Aggregation Factor ^g	
CH4	category 1 methane		0.007	100	0.007	1.00	
	CH4 aggregated rate constant						0.007
ETH	category 2 ethane		0.257	100	0.257	1.00	
	ETH aggregated rate constant						0.257
HC3	category 3 propane	2,818	1.15	4.8	1.15	0.57	
	category 4 <i>n</i> -butane	18,672	2.54	40.4	2.49	1.11	
	<i>i</i> -butane	5,069	2.33				
	2,2-dimethylbutane	233	2.32				
	category 24 acetylene	14,000	0.81	23.6	0.81	0.41	
	category 27 methanol	1,250	0.94	3.1	0.99	0.49	
	ethylacetate	386	1.48 ^h				
	methylacetate	203	0.35 ^h				
	category 28 ethanol	14,978	3.27	28.2	3.27	1.37	
	isopropyl acetate	559	3.72 ^h				
	dimethylether	1,217	2.98				
	category 25 perchloroethylene	2,129	0.17	0 ⁱ	0.88	0.44	
	trichloroethylene	1,012	1.75				
	ethylene dichloride	371	2.61				
	HC3 aggregated rate constant						2.20
HC5	category 5 <i>i</i> -pentane	668 ^j	3.9	69.8	4.54	0.97	
	hexane	380 ^k	5.61				
	<i>n</i> -pentane	377 ^l	3.94				
	2-methylpentane	191 ^{k,l}	5.6				
	3-methyl pentane	119 ^{k,l}	5.7				
	2,2,4-trimethylpentane	161	3.59				
	2,3-dimethylbutane	86	5.99				
	cyclopentane	38 ^j	5.08				
	category 29 isopropanol	538	5.32	30.2	5.29	1.07	
	<i>n</i> -butyl acetate	180	5.71 ^m				
	<i>n</i> -propyl acetate	50	3.42 ^m				
	HC5 aggregated rate constant						4.77
HC8	category 6 heptane	456	7.15	81.4	9.21	0.94	
	methylcyclohexane	322 ⁿ	10.4				
	<i>n</i> -decane	208 ^o	11.6				
	nonane	152 ^p	10.2				
	2,4-dimethylhexane	110	8.57 ^q				
	methylcyclopentane	105	11.66 ^q				
	octane	98	8.68				
	2,3,3-trimethylpentane	90	4.38 ^q				
	3-methylhexane	114 ^r	10.1 ^q				
	<i>n</i> -undecane	82	13.2				
	cyclohexane	71	7.49				
	2,4-dimethylpentane	67	5.2				
	2,5-dimethylheptane	59	9.98 ^q				
	3,4-dimethyloctane	59	11.68 ^q				
	dimethylcyclohexane	40	11.88 ^q				
	2,2,5-trimethylhexane	39	13.09 ^q				
	4-methylheptane	38	8.57 ^q				
	3-methylheptane	32	8.57 ^q				
	2,4,5-trimethylheptane	21	13.09 ^q				
	category 7 <i>n</i> -pentadecane	226	22	10.8	17.34	1.14	
	2-methyldecane	116 ^s	12.52 ^q				

Table 4. (continued)

Model Species	Categories ^a and Chemical Species ^b	Chemical Species		Category			Model Species
		Emission Rate, ^c Mmol yr ⁻¹	$k_{i,HO}$, ^d 10 ⁻¹² cm ³ s ⁻¹	Percent Emission, ^e % E_{cat}	$k_{cat,HO}$, ^f 10 ⁻¹² cm ³ s ⁻¹	Aggregation Factor ^g	
	diethylcyclohexane	48	15.53 ^q				
	<i>n</i> -dodecane	40	14.2				
	<i>n</i> -tridecane	23	16				
	<i>n</i> -tetradecane	21	19				
	category 30			7.8	18.16	1.15	
	glycol ether	102	26.8 ^t				
	propylene glycole	56	13.21 ^q				
	ethylene glycole	19	5.71 ^m				
	HC8 aggregated rate constant						10.8

^aCategory defined by Middleton *et al.* [1990].^bSpecies used to calculate $k_{cat,HO}$ and the aggregation factor. Species with emissions less than 20 Gg/yr were usually neglected.^cAs from Middleton *et al.* [1990].^dHO rate constant at 298 K, from Atkinson [1994] if not mentioned otherwise.^ePercent category emission into RACM, percent contribution by moles of the category to the RACM class.^fHO rate constant of the category at 298 K, calculated according to equation (14).^gCalculated according to equation (16).^hWallington *et al.* [1988].ⁱHaloalkenes were not used to calculate k_{HC3+HO} .^jThe emissions of "isomers of pentane" and "C5 paraffin" were interpreted as 62% *i*-pentane, 35% *n*-pentane, and 3% cyclopentane corresponding to the emissions of these species.^kThe emissions of "isomers hexane" were interpreted as 55% hexane, 28% 2-methylpentane, and 17% 3-methylpentane corresponding to the emissions of these species.^lThe emissions of "methylpentane" were interpreted as 62% 2-methylpentane and 38% 3-methylpentane corresponding to the emissions of these species.^mWilliams *et al.* [1993].ⁿThe emissions of "C7-cycloparaffins" were interpreted as methylcyclohexane.^oThe emissions of "isomers of decane" were interpreted as *n*-decane.^pThe emissions of "isomers of nonane" were interpreted as nonane.^qCalculated using Kwok and Atkinson [1995].^rThe emissions of "methylhexane" were interpreted as 3-methylhexane.^sThe emissions of "isomers of undecane" were interpreted as 2-methylundecane.^tDagaut *et al.* [1989].

category. The weighting was done on the basis of the emissions E in units of moles per year taken from the U.S. emissions inventory [Middleton *et al.*, 1990]:

$$k_{m,HO} = \frac{\sum_{cat \in m} (E_{cat} k_{cat,HO})}{\sum_{cat \in m} E_{cat}} = \frac{\sum_{cat \in m} (\%E_{cat} k_{cat,HO})}{100} \quad (12)$$

with

$$E_{cat} = \sum_{i \in cat} E_i, \quad \%E_{cat} = 100 \frac{E_{cat}}{\sum_{cat} E_{cat}} \quad (13)$$

$$k_{cat,HO} = \frac{\sum_{i \in cat} (E_i k_{i,HO})}{\sum_{i \in cat} E_i} \quad (14)$$

The rate constant was calculated for 273 and 298 K and fitted to an Arrhenius equation to determine the activation energy of the rate constant for the model species.

The method of reactivity weighting was used to account for the differences in reactivities between chemical species and model species. The reactivity weighting was based on the assumption that the effect of an emitted chemical species on a simulation is approximately proportional to the amount of the

compound that reacts with HO on a daily basis [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. Under this assumption an emitted compound can be represented by a model species which reacts at a different rate provided that an aggregation factor, Agg_i , is applied to the compound emissions. The factor is the ratio of the fraction of the chemical species i which reacts with HO during the day to the fraction of the model species m which reacts:

$$Agg_i = \frac{1 - \exp \left(-k_{i,HO} \int [HO] dt \right)}{1 - \exp \left(-k_{m,HO} \int [HO] dt \right)} \quad (15)$$

For the daily average integrated HO radical concentration, $\int [HO] dt$, a value of $1.63 \times 10^{11} \text{ s cm}^{-3}$ was used [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. The aggregation factor becomes unity if both the model and emitted VOC are highly reactive.

To use this aggregation procedure, it is necessary to know the HO rate constants of every chemical species that is to be aggregated in a model species. However, for cases where this rate constant is not known we calculated aggregation factors for categories, Agg_{cat} . Because species in a category react similarly, the aggregation factors of categories, Agg_{cat} , can be used as an approximation for the aggregation factors of chemical species, Agg_i , belonging to a category. Table 3 shows the aggregation factors, calculated using

$$\text{Agg}_{\text{cat}} = \frac{1 - \exp\left(-k_{\text{cat,HO}} \int [\text{HO}] dt\right)}{1 - \exp\left(-k_{m,\text{HO}} \int [\text{HO}] dt\right)} \times M_{\text{cat}} \quad (16)$$

where M_{cat} is the mixing factor, which is 1 for categories which belong only to one model species and $1/n$ for categories which belong to n model species. The rate constants used to calculate $k_{\text{cat,HO}}$ were taken from the recommendations of Atkinson [1994] or calculated according to the procedure of Kwok and Atkinson [1995] by using a structure-reactivity relationship. As an example of the aggregation process, Table 4 shows the complete set of rate constants and aggregation factors for chemical species, classes, and model species for alkanes.

Middleton *et al.* [1990] is not followed for anthropogenic emissions of isoprene and terpenes. Although isoprene is a terminal alkene, it is treated as the separate model compound, ISO, because it is primarily emitted from biogenic rather than anthropogenic sources. Any anthropogenic emissions of isoprene and terpenes should be aggregated together into the primarily biogenic model species.

3.2. Alkanes

Alkanes are very important chemical species which may be transported over long distances. Methane and ethane are treated explicitly in both the RADM2 and RACM mechanisms. All other alkanes along with alkynes, alcohols, esters, and epoxides are aggregated according to their HO rate constants into three additional model species, HC3, HC5, and HC8. HC3 represents species with relatively low HO reaction rate constants (lower than $3.4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$); HC5 represents species with moderate HO reaction rate constants (between 3.4×10^{-12} and $6.8 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$); and HC8 represents species with relatively high HO reaction rate constants ($>6.8 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$).

The determination of the reaction products and product yields of the model species HC3, HC5, and HC8 is described in the following. Alkanes react with HO by the abstraction of hydrogen atoms. The product of this reaction is an alkyl radical, which under atmospheric conditions reacts immediately with O_2 to form an alkyl peroxy radical:

For example, *n*-butane:

However, alcohols and alkynes, which are grouped together with alkanes in the model species HC3, HC5, and HC8, do not always form peroxy radicals but may form other species directly. For that reason the reactions of HC3, HC5, and HC8 with HO form products like ALD, GLY, or CO besides HC3P, HC5P, and HC8P, respectively. The product yield fractions, $\alpha_{m,\text{HO}}^p$, of the reaction of model species m with HO giving product p were calculated as the weighted mean of the product yields of all chemical species belonging to that model species:

$$\alpha_{m,\text{HO}}^p = \frac{\sum_{i \in m} \text{Agg}_i E_i \beta_{i,\text{HO}}^p}{\sum_{i \in m} \text{Agg}_i E_i} \quad (20)$$

where $\beta_{i,\text{HO}}^p$ is the product yield fraction of the reaction of the chemical species i with HO giving the product p . The values for $\beta_{i,\text{HO}}^p$ were taken from the recommendations of Atkinson [1994] or calculated according to the procedure of Kwok and Atkinson [1995]. For example, $\beta_{\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH},\text{HO}}^{\text{ALD}}$ is 0.95 because

3.3. Peroxy Radical Formed From Alkanes

The species CH_4 , ETH, HC3, HC5, and HC8 react with HO and O_2 to form the peroxy radicals MO_2 , ETHP, HC3P, HC5P, and HC8P, respectively. The composition of the model peroxy radicals HC3P, HC5P, and HC8P is determined by the composition of the model species HC3, HC5, and HC8 and the reactivity of the chemical species which are aggregated in them. In general, organic peroxy radicals $\text{RO}_2\cdot$ can react with NO, NO_2 , NO_3 , HO_2 , and $\text{R}'\text{O}_2\cdot$:

The determination of the rate constants for (22)–(26) are discussed by Kirchner and Stockwell [1996a].

The alkoxy radicals $\text{RO}\cdot$ formed in (22) and (24) may react with O_2 or undergo isomerization or decompose. When an $\text{RO}\cdot$ radical reacts with O_2 , an HO_2 radical and a carbonyl species are produced. An example for *n*-butane is shown by

Alkoxy radicals may also decompose to produce a carbonyl species and after addition of O_2 , a new organic peroxy radical is produced:

or they can undergo a 1,5-H-isomerization leading normally to an HO_2 and a carbonyl species with one additional NO to NO_2 conversion:

In the RACM mechanism, production of the operator radical, XO_2 , accounts for the additional NO to NO_2 conversion step due to isomerization. For individual alkoxy radical species the rate constants for isomerization of the alkoxy radicals were determined, and these were used to determine the appropriate

XO₂ yield from the average composition of each lumped alkoxy radical species [Kirchner and Stockwell, 1996a].

The calculation of the product yields of the model peroxy radical are based on the product yields of the chemical species in these reactions. Given a general reaction of a model peroxy radical RO₂(*m*) with a species X, with X being NO, NO₂, NO₃, HO₂, or R'O₂(*m*):

the product yield fraction, $\alpha_{\text{RO}_2(m),X}^p$, for a product *p* from this reaction is given by the weighted mean of the product yield fractions, $\beta_{i,\text{HO},X}^p$, for a product *p* from the reaction of the chemical species *i* with HO giving an peroxy radical and the subsequent reaction of this species peroxy radical with X:

$$\alpha_{\text{RO}_2(m),X}^p = \frac{\sum_{i \in m} \text{Agg}_i E_i \beta_{i,\text{HO},X}^p}{\sum_{i \in m} \text{Agg}_i E_i} \quad (35)$$

where $\beta_{i,\text{HO},X}^p$ is normalized to account only for reaction products which come from the formation of an RO₂[•]. Therefore

$$\sum_p \beta_{i,\text{HO},X}^p = 1 \quad \forall i, X \quad (36)$$

Here $\beta_{i,\text{HO},X}^p$ was calculated using product yield of the reactions R[•] + HO, RO₂[•] + X and RO[•] decomposition. If no product yields were available from laboratory studies, they were calculated following the procedure proposed by Kwok and Atkinson [1995].

3.4. Carbonyls

The carbonyl species in the mechanism include formaldehyde (HCHO), acetaldehyde and higher saturated aldehydes (ALD), acetone and higher saturated ketones (KET), unsaturated dicarbonyls (DCB), glyoxal (GLY), and methylglyoxal and other species of the form RC(O)CHO (MGLY). DCB and GLY are produced through the photooxidation of aromatic compounds. Most MGLY is produced through aromatic oxidation and some is produced through ketone reactions.

The reactions of HCHO are represented by an explicit set of reactions. The chemistry of ALD is treated as acetaldehyde. The chemistry of KET is treated as a mixture of 50% acetone and 50% methyl ethyl ketone (by mole fraction). Although methyl ethyl ketone and higher ketones are the main photochemical oxidation products of VOC, the emissions of acetone are twice as high as methyl ethyl ketone on a mole basis [Middleton *et al.*, 1990]; therefore this split is a reasonable compromise between the composition of the emissions and the photochemical production. Atkinson [1994] recommends the following rate constants for the reaction of HO with acetone and methylethyl ketone:

Acetone

$$k = 5.34 \times 10^{-18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1} \times T^2 \exp(-230/T) \quad (37)$$

Methyl ethyl ketone

$$k = 3.24 \times 10^{-18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1} \times T^2 \exp(414/T) \quad (38)$$

The rate constant of HO with KET was derived from the arithmetic means of the activation energies and the rate constants at 298 K (Table 2c).

The scheme for the reactions of KET was based upon the

following considerations. Acetone reacts to produce CH₃COCH₂O[•] (reactions (39)–(40)). The CH₃COCH₂O[•] may either react with O₂ to form methylglyoxal and HO₂ or to decompose to produce an acetyl peroxy radical and formaldehyde. The branching ratio between these two reaction processes is uncertain [Atkinson and Lloyd, 1984; Le Bras, 1997]. For the RACM mechanism, decomposition of the CH₃COCH₂O₂[•] radical was not considered, and further experimental data are required:

The reactions of methyl ethyl ketone are known to be considerably more complicated. The reaction of methyl ethyl ketone with HO and the subsequent reaction of the organic with O₂ radical leads to [Atkinson, 1994]

The three peroxy radicals may react with NO or other species to produce oxy radicals.

According to the rate constants given by Atkinson [1994], 58% of the primary oxy radicals, CH₃C(O)CH₂CH₂O[•] and CH₃CH₂C(O)CH₂O[•], react through isomerization and the remaining 42% react through abstraction of H atoms by O₂.

The isomerization reactions involve the transfer of an H atom to the terminal O atom:

In the RACM mechanism the effects of the HOCH₂CH₂C(O)CH₂[•] radical are represented through the reactions of ALD, XO₂, and HO₂, and the effects of the HOCH₂C(O)CH₂CH₂[•] radical are represented through the reactions of MGLY, XO₂, and HO₂.

The H abstraction reactions produce aldehydes and an HO₂:

$\text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CHO}$ is treated as ALD and $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CHO}$ is treated as MGLY.

The secondary oxy radical $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{O}\cdot)\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$ rapidly decomposes [Atkinson, 1994]:

These products are characterized as ALD and ACO_3 in the RACM mechanism.

For methyl ethyl ketone if (43)–(50) are considered along with the radical yields and given the assumption that KET represents a 50%–50% mixture of acetone and methyl ethyl ketone, (51) for the reaction of the KETP radical with NO is obtained:

The dicarbonyl species glyoxal (GLY) and methylglyoxal (MGLY) have very similar chemistry and therefore their product yields were derived in a similar manner. For the reaction of glyoxal with HO, Atkinson [1994] recommends two reaction channels:

The relative percent yields of (52) and (53) are 60% and 40%, respectively. The HCO radical reacts to produce HO_2 and CO:

If (52) and (54) were the only reaction pathways for HCO-COH, the overall reaction would be

An explicit consideration of the reaction pathway for $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\cdot$ would require two additional species $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\cdot$ and $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\text{NO}_2$ and many additional $\text{RO}_2\cdot$ reactions. The subsequent chemistry of $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\cdot$ is highly uncertain, but it would be expected that the radical reacts with NO:

Probably, $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\cdot$ can react with NO_2 to produce a peroxy nitrate with a thermal stability similar to peroxyacetyl nitrate (PAN).

Because of the α -dicarbonyl group and the aldehyde hydrogen atom, $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\text{NO}_2$ would be expected to have a much higher HO reaction rate constant and to have a much higher photolysis frequency than PAN:

Given these differences between $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\text{NO}_2$ and PAN, it would be wrong to group this peroxyxynitrate with PAN. However, the mechanism can still be simplified if a few assumptions are made. The NO pathway for $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\cdot$ involves two peroxy radicals $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\cdot$ and HO_2 and therefore two possible NO to NO_2 conversions. The NO_2 pathway produces an overall total of fewer than 1 NO to NO_2 conversions because of $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\text{NO}_2$ formation and consumption of the HO radical in (58). If it is assumed that the NO and NO_2 pathways for $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\cdot$ are of equal importance, then the total number of NO to NO_2 conversions will be close to 1. This assumption is justified because only the photolysis reaction directly produces additional peroxy radicals (although the rapid photolysis of NO_3 does produce some O_3). The $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\cdot$ reaction pathway will have about the same effect on O_3 and NO_x concentrations as the pathway given by (55). For this reason and given their high uncertainty, the possible $\text{HC}(\text{O})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2\cdot$ reactions are ignored. Therefore the RACM model reaction is completely analogous to (55):

The major difference for MGLY is that its reaction with HO produces an acetyl radical rather than an HO_2 (Table 2b). The reactions of DCB are described in section 3.4.3 because unsaturated dicarbonyls are products of aromatic oxidation.

The reactions of the NO_3 radical with carbonyl species HCHO, ALD, GLY, MGLY, and DCB are included because these reactions can be significant during the nighttime [Stockwell and Calvert, 1983]. The NO_3 radical reacts with saturated aldehydes through hydrogen atom abstraction:

The rate constants for the reaction of NO_3 with HCHO and acetaldehyde (ALD) were taken from DeMore *et al.* [1994]. The NO_3 -MGLY rate constant was assumed to be equal to the rate constant of ALD. For glyoxal there are only aldehydic hydrogen atoms; therefore the rate constant for GLY was estimated as $2 \times k(\text{acetaldehyde} + \text{NO}_3) - k(\text{ethane} + \text{NO}_3)$. The activation energies for the reactions of NO_3 radical with all these aldehydes were assumed to be equal to the activation energy for the acetaldehyde + NO_3 reaction given by DeMore *et al.* [1994]. The rate constant for the DCB + NO_3 reaction was taken from the estimates of Bierbach *et al.* [1994], and the activation energy was estimated to be the mean of the activation energy for the reaction of NO_3 with acetaldehyde and the activation energies for the reaction of NO_3 with unbranched internal alkenes.

Photolysis of carbonyls represents a significant loss process for these species. The quantum yields, cross sections, along with representative photolysis frequencies used for the carbonyl species are given in Table 2a. The photolysis frequencies for HCHO and ALD remain nearly unchanged from those used by Stockwell *et al.* [1990], while the KET values increased by about 10%. The photolysis frequencies for GLY is significantly changed due to new recommendations from Atkinson *et al.* [1992b]. For MGLY, new values for the cross sections [Atkinson *et al.*, 1992b; Staffelbach *et al.*, 1995] and the quantum yield measurements [Koch and Moortgat, 1996] were adopted.

3.5. Alkenes

Alkenes are important constituents of the polluted and rural troposphere. Owing to the double bond, they are very reactive

Table 5. Estimated Rate Constants for Alkenes Used for All Alkenes for Which Data Were Not Available

RACM Mechanism Species	Alkene Structure	HO		NO ₃		O ₃	
		<i>k</i> (298 K), cm ³ s ⁻¹	<i>E</i> / <i>R</i> (HO), K	<i>k</i> (298 K), cm ³ s ⁻¹	<i>E</i> / <i>R</i> , K	<i>k</i> (298 K), cm ³ s ⁻¹	<i>E</i> / <i>R</i> , K
OLT	RCH=CH ₂	3.2 × 10 ⁻¹¹	-500	1.0 × 10 ⁻¹⁴	1000	1.0 × 10 ⁻¹⁷	1700
	R ₂ C=CH ₂	5.8 × 10 ⁻¹¹	-500	4.5 × 10 ⁻¹³	150	1.0 × 10 ⁻¹⁷	1700
OLI	RCH=CHR	6.4 × 10 ⁻¹¹	-500	4.5 × 10 ⁻¹³	150	1.5 × 10 ⁻¹⁶	1000
	R ₂ C=CHR	8.8 × 10 ⁻¹¹	-500	1.0 × 10 ⁻¹¹	-500	5.0 × 10 ⁻¹⁶	800
	R ₂ C=CR ₂	10.4 × 10 ⁻¹¹	-500	5.7 × 10 ⁻¹¹	-500	1.1 × 10 ⁻¹⁵	300

species that have relatively high rate constants for reaction with HO radical and they react with ozone and NO₃ radicals [Finlayson-Pitts and Pitts, 1986]. Four model species were used to represent the anthropogenic emitted alkenes to better represent their diverse reactivities. Ethene is explicitly represented by ETE because of its lower rate constants for reactions with HO and O₃ and its relatively high concentrations. Propene and other terminal alkenes (alkenes with a double bond attached to a carbon atom at an end of the molecule) are represented by OLT. Internal alkenes (alkenes with a double bond within the molecule) such trans-2-butene or cycloalkenes are represented by the model species OLI. Dienes and 1,3-butadiene are aggregated into a new model species, DIEN. DIEN was introduced into the RACM mechanism because the rate constant for the reaction of 1,3-butadiene with HO is very different from the other terminal alkenes and its chemistry is more like isoprene than terminal alkenes [Atkinson, 1994].

For the RACM mechanism the rate constants for the reactions of alkenes with HO, NO₃, and O₃ were taken from Atkinson [1994] when possible. For alkenes not listed by Atkinson [1994] the rate constants were estimated by taking the mean of alkenes with known rate constants and similar structure (Table 5).

3.5.1. Reaction with HO. The reaction of HO with alkenes occurs by addition to the double bond, followed by the addition of O₂ to form a peroxy radical. The peroxy radicals may react with NO, NO₃, or RO₂· to produce oxy radicals which are believed to decompose completely [Atkinson, 1994]. The only significant exception is the oxy radical resulting from ethene; about 20% of this reacts via H abstraction by O₂ which produce hydroxyacetaldehyde (H₂C(OH)CHO) which is treated as ALD in RACM:

The rate constants for the reactions of the model species OLT and OLI with HO producing the peroxy radicals OLTP and OLIP were calculated according to (12). In contrast to the alkanes, for which measured data for many rate constants are available, only a few measurements exist for alkenes [Atkinson, 1994]. Where no experimental rate constants were available, estimated values from Table 5 were taken as *k*_{*i*,HO} in (14). The composition of the model peroxy radicals ETEP, OLTP, and OLIP was calculated by using the same procedure that was applied to the alkanes. For alkenes higher than ethene the reaction with HO is so fast on a daily basis that on the regional scale an initial amount of alkenes would be almost completely consumed. Therefore according to (16), no reactivity weighting is required.

3.5.2. Alkene + NO₃ radical. The initial reaction of NO₃ with alkenes is addition to the double bond. The adduct reacts with O₂ to form a peroxy radical which was represented by the model species OLN in the original RADM2 mechanism [Stockwell et al., 1990]. The NO₃-alkene-peroxy radicals may react with NO, NO₃, or RO₂· to form oxy radicals. For the oxy radicals produced in this reaction, two fundamentally different reaction pathways are possible: decomposition (pathway D) or formation of organic nitrates (pathway N). Recent experimental studies on the reaction of NO₃ which alkenes have shown that the product yields for the two pathways depend strongly on the structure of the alkene from which the NO₃-alkene-oxy radical was formed [Barnes et al., 1990; Hjorth et al., 1990; Skov et al., 1992; Tuazon et al., 1993]. Radicals formed from unbranched alkenes and dienes produce high yields of carbonyl nitrates (pathway N), while the reactions of NO₃ with branched monoalkenes have higher yields of carbonyls and NO₂ (pathway D) and relatively low yields of carbonyl nitrates. To distinguish between these two reaction pathways, the species OLN in the RADM2 mechanism was replaced by two model species for the NO₃-alkene-peroxy radical, OLNN, which primarily produces nitrates (pathway N), and OLND, which primarily decomposes to produce carbonyls and NO₂ (pathway D). It is assumed that the total yield of OLNN and OLND is unity.

Following the general procedure for building the RACM mechanism, the product yields $\alpha_{i,\text{NO}_3}^{\text{Nitrate}}$ for the model species OLNN and OLND from the reactions of the species ETE, OLI, and OLT with NO₃ depend on the rate constants *k*_{*i*,NO₃} and nitrate product yields, $\beta_{i,\text{NO}_3}^{\text{Nitrate}}$, for the reaction of the chemical species with NO₃ and the composition of alkene emissions [Middleton et al., 1990]. Our estimated nitrate yields, $\beta_{i,\text{NO}_3}^{\text{Nitrate}}$, for alkenes are compiled in Table 6, but there are relatively few experiments, and the agreement between them is not good [Barnes et al., 1990; Hjorth et al., 1990; Tuazon et al., 1993]:

with

$$\alpha_{m,\text{NO}_3}^{\text{OLNN}} = \frac{\sum_{i \in m} E_i k_{i,\text{NO}_3} \beta_{i,\text{NO}_3}^{\text{Nitrate}}}{\sum_{i \in m} E_i k_{i,\text{NO}_3}} \quad (65)$$

where *m* is equal to either OLI or OLT. The reactions of OLNN and OLND with NO and with other peroxy radicals were described by Kirchner and Stockwell [1996a].

Table 6. Estimated Yields of Nitrate ($\beta_{i,\text{NO}_3}^{\text{Nitrate}}$) Carbonyls and NO_2 From Nitrate Radical-Alkene Adduct Reactions

Alkene Structure	Estimated $\beta_{i,\text{NO}_3}^{\text{Nitrate}}$	Estimated Yield of Carbonyls and NO_2
<i>ETE</i>		
$\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}_2$	0.80	0.40 HCHO
<i>OLT</i>		
$\text{RCH}=\text{CH}_2$	0.80	0.20 HCHO + 0.20 ALD
$\text{R}_2\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$	0.20	0.80 HCHO + 0.80 ALD
<i>OLI</i>		
$\text{RCH}=\text{CHR}$	0.60	0.80 ALD
$\text{R}_2\text{C}=\text{CHR}$	0.10	0.90 ALD + 0.90 KET
$\text{R}_2\text{C}=\text{CR}_2$	0	2.00 KET

3.5.3. Ozonolysis of alkenes. Ozone reacts with alkenes to form ozonides which immediately decompose to yield excited Criegee intermediates [Finlayson-Pitts and Pitts, 1986] and carbonyl species, for example,

The branching ratio for the formation of Criegee intermediates from $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ was investigated by Horie and Moortgat [1991] and was found to be $[\text{CH}_2\text{OO}]/[\text{R}_2\text{COO}] = 0.38:0.62$. To estimate these branching ratios for other alkenes, this ratio of 4:6 was used for all $\text{R}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ and for $\text{R}_2\text{C}=\text{CHR}$. The $\text{R}_2\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$ branching ratio was calculated to be 0.4 to be consistent with the branching ratios for $\text{R}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ and $\text{R}_2\text{C}=\text{CHR}$:

$$\frac{[\text{CH}_2\text{OO}]^*}{[\text{R}_2\text{COO}]^*} \approx \frac{[\text{CH}_2\text{OO}]^*}{[\text{RCHOO}]^*} \frac{[\text{RCHOO}]^*}{[\text{R}_2\text{COO}]^*} \approx \frac{4 \times 4}{6 \times 6} \approx 0.4 \quad (68)$$

The excited Criegee intermediates are either stabilized or they decompose. Table 7 shows the products and yields of excited Criegee intermediates from Atkinson [1994] and the yields assumed in this work. Some HO is directly produced through the decomposition of the excited Criegee intermediates [Atkinson and Aschmann, 1993; Atkinson, 1994]. However, direct production of HO is not enough to account for the concentrations determined by Atkinson and Aschmann [1993] even if the upper limits given in Table 7 are used.

Table 7. Products and Yields of Criegee Intermediates Used in This Work

Criegee	Product	Atkinson [1994]	This Work
$[\text{CH}_2\text{OO}]^*$	CH_2O_2	0.37	0.37
	$\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2$	~0.13	0.13
	$\text{CO}_2 + 2 \text{H}$	0.06–0.1	0.07
	$\text{CO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.31–0.58	0.31
	$\text{HCO} + \text{HO}$	~0.12	0.12
$[\text{CH}_3\text{CHOO}]^*$	CH_3CHO_2	0.15–0.42	0.3
	$\text{CO}_2 + \text{CH}_4$	0.14–0.17	0.15
	$\text{CO}_2 + \text{CH}_3 + \text{H}$	0.17–0.34	0.2
	$\text{CO} + \text{CH}_3\text{OH}$	0–0.07	0.03
	$\text{CO} + \text{CH}_3 + \text{HO}$	0.16–0.30	0.3
	$\text{HCO} + \text{CH}_3\text{O}$	0–0.07	0.03
	$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CO}_2$	0.3	0.3
	$\text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2 + \text{HO}$	0.7	0.7

The dominant atmospheric loss process of the stabilized Criegee intermediates appears to be its reaction with H_2O therefore these products are included in the new mechanism. Paulson *et al.* [1992b] proposed that stabilized Criegee intermediates may react with H_2O to produce HO:

This reaction was used to fit the HO yields reported by Atkinson [1994]. The HO yields were fit by varying the fraction of Criegee intermediates which react by (69). The fraction of Criegee intermediates that react by (69) was estimated to be 0.0, 0.4 and 0.6 for CH_2OO , RCHOO , and R_2COO . The resulting HO yields for alkenes of various structures are given in Table 8.

The reaction of stabilized Criegee intermediates with water may also produce hydrogen peroxide [Becker *et al.*, 1993]:

A H_2O_2 yield of 0.5% was determined by the measurements for CH_2OO and for R_2COO the estimated yield was about 13%. Formic acid is also produced from the reaction of R_2COO with water [Moortgat *et al.*, 1997]. The results of Moortgat *et al.* [1997] suggest that the HCOOH and higher organic acids are formed through the rapid decomposition of organic hydroperoxides. Assuming the yield for RCHOO to be the geometric mean of the CH_2OO and R_2COO yields and allowing for the formation of HO and organic acids, the following reactions result:

Further reactions of the ester, $\text{RC}(\text{O})\text{OR}$, are ignored because it is relatively unreactive and only a relatively small amount is produced through gas-phase reactions. The alcohols which result from gas-phase chemistry are treated similarly.

The chemistry of the unsaturated dicarbonyl species (DCB) and the unsaturated peroxyxynitrate (TPAN) has been revised by including HO and NO_3 addition reactions and ozonolysis. These reactions are described below because unsaturated carbonyls and peroxyxynitrates are products of aromatic decay.

Table 8. Estimated HO Yields Produced From the Ozonolysis of Alkenes

Alkene Structure	Experimental [Atkinson, 1994]	Fit (This Work)
$\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}_2$	0.12	0.12
$\text{CH}_2=\text{CHR}$	0.37	0.37
$\text{CH}_2=\text{CR}_2$	0.84	0.78
$\text{CHR}=\text{CHR}$	0.58	0.54
$\text{CHR}=\text{CR}_2$	0.91	0.85
$\text{CR}_2=\text{CR}_2$	1.02	1.06

3.6. Aromatic Chemistry

Aromatic compounds are oxidized in the atmosphere through reaction with HO. When aromatics react with HO radicals, the radicals either add to the aromatic ring or react with a substituent group. However, the reaction of HO radicals with aromatic substituent groups is usually a much less important channel than HO addition to the aromatic ring. For typical aromatic compounds containing alkyl substituent groups the measured fraction of HO radicals reacting with a substituent group ranges between 0.04 and 0.12 [Atkinson, 1994]. It is assumed that an overall fraction of 0.10 of the HO radicals react by abstraction with the aromatic compounds treated in the RACM mechanism.

The HO radicals that react with alkyl substituent groups abstract hydrogen atoms. This hydrogen atom abstraction leads to the formation of peroxy radicals which may react with NO or other species to form oxy radicals. Subsequently, the oxy radicals react with oxygen to produce aromatics with aldehyde or ketone substituent groups. The NO to NO₂ conversions affected by the oxy radicals are accounted for by the XO₂ operator radical in the RACM mechanism. The product aromatics with aldehyde or ketone substituent groups have relatively small yields relative to the products formed from the addition of HO to the aromatic ring; therefore the subsequent reactions of these products are not included.

3.6.1. Treatment of cresol formation from aromatic-HO adducts. The aromatic-HO adduct reacts with O₂ to either abstract an H atom to form a cresol or to add the O₂ to form a peroxy radical. In the original RADM2 mechanism, large amounts of cresols were formed from aromatic photooxidation: 25% from toluene and 17% from xylene. There is much disagreement in the literature about the relative importance of cresol formation, but the most recent measurements suggest that the cresol yields have been significantly overestimated. For example, Atkinson *et al.* [1989, 1991, 1992a] found in the presence of NO_x that the yield of cresol from the oxidation of toluene was 25%, while for ortho-xylene, meta-xylene, and para-xylene the yields of cresol were 16, 21, and 19%, respectively. More recent experiments provide yields that are 20–40% lower. Furthermore, cresol formation decreases with decreasing NO_x concentrations [Atkinson and Aschmann, 1994]. In the absence of NO_x they measured a cresol yield of 12% from toluene. The 2,3-dimethylphenol yield from o-xylene was 4 times lower in experiments without NO_x than in experiments with NO_x, although it is possible that in these experiments other phenolic compounds may have been formed which were not measured.

Even lower yields of cresols were measured by Bierbach [1994]. Bierbach used the photolysis of H₂O₂ as the HO radical source for the oxidation of aromatics. He determined that the yield of cresols increased with increasing initial concentrations of NO_x, H₂O₂, and aromatics. A cresol yield less than 1% was measured for toluene if the initial H₂O₂ concentration was low. For high H₂O₂ initial concentrations, Bierbach measured a cresol yield of 7% if NO_x was absent. Overall, these results suggest that much cresol is produced through the reactions of the aromatic-HO adduct with NO_x, H₂O₂, and aromatics. Thus high yields of cresol from aromatic oxidation should not be expected for most typical atmospheric conditions but to allow for highly polluted conditions with high NO_x concentrations the yield of cresol formation is dependent on the NO_x concentration in the RACM mechanism.

Three different aromatic-HO adducts were added to the mechanism: ADDT (from toluene), ADDX (from xylene), and ADDC (from cresol). The measured rate constants for the reactions of the methylhydroxycyclohexadienyl radical with O₂ and NO₂ [Knispel *et al.*, 1990] were used for these adducts. The reactions of NO_x, H₂O₂, and aromatics with the aromatic-HO adduct increase cresol yields. The difference in the cresol yields measured by Bierbach [1994] and Atkinson *et al.* [1994] can be further rationalized if the aromatic-HO adduct reacts with ozone through

Given that the aromatic-HO adduct reacts with O₂, NO_x, H₂O₂, and aromatics, it would be very surprising if it did not react with ozone. In the toluene experiments of Atkinson and Aschmann [1994] the concentrations of O₂ and O₃ were about $\sim 5 \times 10^{18}$ and $\sim 5 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, respectively. Using the concentrations of O₂ and O₃ and the difference between the measured cresol yields of Bierbach [1994] and Atkinson *et al.* [1994], the rate constant for (74) is calculated to be about 10⁵ times greater than the rate constant for the reaction of aromatic-HO adduct with O₂. This implies that the rate constant for the toluene-HO adduct with O₃ is about $5 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ which is near the rate constant for the reaction of the aromatic-HO adduct with NO₂, $\sim 3.6 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ [Knispel *et al.*, 1990]. Including (74) in the mechanism improves the agreement between simulated concentrations and environmental chamber data for the experiments containing toluene.

For o-xylene oxidation experiments that did not contain NO_x, a 2,3-dimethylphenol yield of $2.4 \pm 0.9\%$ was measured [Atkinson and Aschmann, 1994]. They measured a 2,3-dimethylphenol to 3,4-dimethylphenol ratio of 3:2 in systems containing NO_x and o-xylene. If this same ratio applies to the systems not containing NO_x, the overall cresol yield is $4.0 \pm 1.5\%$. This result implies that the reaction of the HO-xylene adduct with O₃ must be somewhat slower than for the reaction of the HO-toluene adduct. A value of $1 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ was assigned to the rate constant for the reaction of aromatic-HO adduct with O₃.

3.6.2. Further parameterization of Aromatic-HO adduct reactions. In the RACM mechanism the aromatic-HO adduct reacts with O₂ through addition to produce a peroxy radical as was assumed in several previous mechanisms [Lurmann *et al.*, 1986; Calvert and Madronich, 1987; Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. The existence of an aromatic peroxy radical and its subsequent reaction mechanism are both highly uncertain [Barnes *et al.*, 1996]. However, the mechanism presented here is consistent with available laboratory and environmental chamber data. Many more experimental data are needed to understand the atmospheric oxidation of aromatic species. If the aromatic-HO adduct reacts with O₂ through addition, the resulting peroxy radical could react through three different pathways (Figure 1):

In pathway I, the peroxy radical may react with NO, NO₃, or R'O₂ to produce an RO radical. The RO radical would decompose to form a C6-dicarbonyl-diene (A) and HO₂.

In pathway II, the oxygen molecule can form a bridge across the ring followed by addition of a second oxygen molecule. The resulting radical reacts to form an RO radical that decomposes to produce unsaturated dicarbonyls, glyoxal or methylglyoxal, and HO₂ radicals; these are represented in the RACM mechanism as DCB, GLY or MGLY, and HO₂, respectively. Some of the adducts may decay through this channel because C4-

Table 9. Comparison of RACM and RADM2 With SAPRC Ozone Data

SAPRC Experiment	Principal Organic Compounds ^a	Peak Ozone Concentrations					Time of Peak Ozone Concentrations				
		Experi- ment, ppm	RACM Simulation, ppm	Differ- ence, %	RADM2 Simulation, ppm	Differ- ence, %	Experi- ment, min	RACM Simulation, min	Differ- ence, %	RADM2 Simulation, min	Differ- ence, %
EC-142	ethene	0.78	0.53	-32.1	0.40	-48.7	>360	>360	...	>360	...
EC-143	ethene	1.09	0.83	-23.9	0.79	-27.5	212	290	36.8	350	65.1
EC-178	<i>n</i> -butane	0.37	0.47	27.0	0.46	24.3	>495	>495	...	>495	...
EC-216	propene	0.56	0.73	30.4	0.62	10.7	465	525	12.9	520	11.8
EC-231	mixture	0.62	0.74	19.4	0.73	17.7	242	235	-2.9	265	9.5
EC-232	mixture	0.34	0.40	17.6	0.33	-2.9	>390	>390	...	>390	...
EC-233	mixture	0.33	0.44	33.3	0.42	25.8	262	>360	...	340	29.8
EC-237	mixture	0.66	0.72	9.1	0.69	4.5	242	270	11.6	305	26.0
EC-238	mixture	0.69	0.82	18.8	0.79	14.5	435	450	3.4	510	17.2
EC-241	mixture	0.41	0.48	17.1	0.39	-4.9	>360	>360	...	>360	...
EC-242	mixture	0.68	0.73	7.9	0.69	0.9	105	111	5.7	123	17.1
EC-243	mixture	0.72	0.75	4.4	0.71	-0.8	132	140	6.1	170	28.8
EC-245	mixture	0.89	0.92	3.4	0.88	-1.0	175	192	9.7	220	25.7
EC-246	mixture	0.57	0.55	-3.5	0.54	-5.3	>575	>570	...	>570	...
EC-254	acetaldehyde	0.26	0.31	19.2	0.23	-11.5	>370	>365	...	>365	...
EC-305	<i>n</i> -butane	0.4	0.54	35.0	0.55	37.5	>360	>360	...	>360	...
EC-331	toluene + <i>n</i> -butane	0.51	0.67	31.4	0.52	2.0	125	175	40.0	132	5.6
EC-340	toluene	0.41	0.40	-2.4	0.35	-14.6	>330	>330	...	>330	...
EC-344	<i>m</i> -xylene	0.59	0.72	22.0	0.59	0.0	172	300	74.4	240	39.5
EC-345	<i>m</i> -xylene	0.4	0.50	25.0	0.38	-6.3	70	160	128.6	105	50.0

^aMixture consists of *n*-butane, 2,3-dimethylbutane, ethene, propene, *tert*-2-butene, toluene, *m*-xylene, HCHO, and CO.

period. Channel II shows no inhibition period, but the rate of ozone production is somewhat less. Channel III shows the slowest rate of ozone formation, and the rate depends on whether the final products are an unsaturated-dihydroxy-dione, glyoxal and methyglyoxal (IIIa), or only glyoxal and methyglyoxal (IIIb). For xylene the agreement between simulations and experiment was best if 100% of the adducts react by channel II, while for toluene the best fit was obtained if it was assumed that 50% of the adducts react by channel II, 50%

react by channel IIIb, and none react through channel I. It was furthermore assumed that the adducts have a 5% nitrate yield.

3.6.3. Treatment of unsaturated dicarbonyl products. The description of the chemistry of unsaturated dicarbonyl products (DCB) is primarily based on the work of *Bierbach et al.* [1994] and *Wiesen et al.* [1995]. For the reaction of HO with unsaturated dicarbonyls, Bierbach et al. found that 50% of the HO radicals react by H abstraction and about 50% add to the double bond. This ratio of abstraction to addition for the

Table 10. Comparison of RACM and RADM2 With SAPRC Nitrogen Dioxide Data

SAPRC Experiment	Principal Organic Compounds ^a	Peak NO ₂ Concentrations					Time of Peak NO ₂ Concentrations				
		Experi- ment, ppm	RACM Simulation, ppm	Differ- ence, %	RADM2 Simulation, ppm	Differ- ence, %	Experi- ment, min	RACM Simulation, min	Differ- ence, %	RADM2 Simulation, min	Differ- ence, %
EC-142	ethene	0.30	0.36	20.0	0.35	16.7	105	150	42.9	165	57.1
EC-143	ethene	0.38	0.41	7.4	0.41	6.6	60	93	55.0	105	75.0
EC-178	<i>n</i> -butane	0.07	0.08	17.1	0.08	17.1	75	110	46.7	100	33.3
EC-216	propene	0.37	0.39	5.4	0.38	4.1	105	80	-23.8	90	-14.3
EC-231	mixture	0.36	0.40	11.1	0.40	11.1	80	57	-28.8	70	-12.5
EC-232	mixture	0.34	0.36	5.9	0.36	5.3	165	180	9.1	195	18.2
EC-233	mixture	0.07	0.09	22.9	0.09	24.3	35	32	-8.6	40	14.3
EC-237	mixture	0.37	0.39	5.7	0.39	5.1	65	58	-10.8	72	10.8
EC-238	mixture	0.66	0.71	6.8	0.70	5.3	125	130	4.0	145	16.0
EC-241	mixture	0.35	0.36	3.4	0.36	2.3	140	130	-7.1	140	0.0
EC-242	mixture	0.40	0.43	6.3	0.43	7.5	25	22	-12.0	28	12.0
EC-243	mixture	0.40	0.42	5.0	0.42	5.0	35	27	-22.9	39	11.4
EC-245	mixture	0.76	0.81	6.6	0.81	6.6	55	53	-3.6	60	9.1
EC-246	mixture	0.37	0.37	-0.5	0.37	-1.1	148	170	14.9	190	28.4
EC-254	acetaldehyde	0.07	0.09	25.7	0.08	20.0	55	75	36.4	90	63.6
EC-305	<i>n</i> -butane	0.08	0.08	5.6	0.08	6.3	65	73	12.3	67	3.1
EC-331	toluene + <i>n</i> -butane	0.33	0.36	7.6	0.36	7.6	45	45	0.0	40	-11.1
EC-340	toluene	0.25	0.29	15.2	0.28	14.0	112	122	8.9	125	11.6
EC-344	<i>m</i> -xylene	0.45	0.48	6.7	0.49	7.8	45	60	33.3	55	22.2
EC-345	<i>m</i> -xylene	0.19	0.21	10.5	0.22	13.2	25	26	4.0	31	24.0

^aMixture consists of *n*-butane, 2,3-dimethylbutane, ethene, propene, *tert*-2-butene, toluene, *m*-xylene, HCHO, and CO.

Figure 2. Simulated ozone formation profiles for decomposition pathways (I, II, and III) for the peroxy radical resulting from O_2 addition to the aromatic-HO adduct aromatic decay (see text). Two different alternatives are presented for pathway III: IIIa, decomposition to 3,4-dihydroxy-3-hexene-2,5-dione, glyoxal and methyglyoxal; and IIIb, glyoxal and methyglyoxal only. These simulations are based upon EC-331.

reaction of HO with unsaturated dicarbonyls is similar to the ratio for the reaction of HO with methacrolein [Atkinson, 1994].

The products for the addition of HO with unsaturated dicarbonyls are based upon the several studies [Bierbach *et al.*, 1994; Wiesen *et al.*, 1995; Tuazon *et al.*, 1985]. These researchers have studied the products of the HO addition reaction with 3-hexene-2,5-dione. The initial reaction sequence is the same as for alkenes: the HO radical adds to the double bond, and this is followed by addition of O_2 . The peroxy radical reacts with NO, NO_3 , or other peroxy radicals to form an RO• radical. In contrast to most alkenes the RO• decomposition reaction is much less important. About 30% of the RO• radicals decompose, and 70% react via H abstraction by O_2 or through H atom shift isomerization [Bierbach *et al.*, 1994]. The main product for the reaction of HO with 3-hexene-2,5-dione was found to be 3,4-dihydroxy-3-hexene-2,5-dione, an unsaturated-dihydroxy-dicarbonyl (UDD) [Wiesen, 1995]. To keep the RACM mechanism reasonably condensed, the peroxy radical is not treated separately rather it is represented by XO_2 and its products from the peroxy radical-NO reaction.

The addition reaction of HO with 3,4-dihydroxy-3-hexene-2,5-dione is very fast ($k \approx 2.7 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$) [Wiesen, 1995]. Therefore it was assumed that the H abstraction reaction is unimportant for UDD. The main products of the 3,4-dihydroxy-3-hexene-2,5-dione + HO reaction were HO_2 and 3,3-dihydroxyhexane-2,4,5-trione. The 3,3-dihydroxyhexane-2,4,5-trione may dehydrate to form hexane-2,3,4,5-tetraone. Generalizing this to UDD, the reaction products of HO with UDD are treated as HO_2 and a mixture of ALD and KET.

The rate constant for the reaction of ozone with unsaturated dicarbonyl species (DCB) was based on the estimates of Bierbach *et al.* [1994]. There are no available product studies for the ozonolysis for these compounds. A Criegee mechanism was assumed, and the excited Criegee intermediates from the unsaturated dicarbonyls were characterized as $[HC(O)CHOO]^*$, $[HC(O)C(CH_3)OO]^*$, and $[RC(O)CHOO]^*$. $[HC(O)C(R)OO]^*$ is also a product of methacrolein ozonolysis [Kirchner and Stockwell, 1996b]. These excited Criegee intermediates would be expected to produce glyoxals, aldehydes, organic acids, and radicals. If it is further assumed that the ozonolysis of DCB produces equal yields of all three Criegee intermediates, and if the carbonyl products are included, the following reaction results:

DCB + $O_3 \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ GLY} + 0.62 \text{ MGLY} + 0.16 \text{ ALD}$
 $+ 0.66 \text{ CO} + 0.11 \text{ PAA} + 0.11 \text{ ORA1} + 0.21 \text{ ORA2}$
 $+ 0.28 \text{ ACO}_3 + 0.29 \text{ HO}_2 + 0.21 \text{ HO}$ (75)

Unsaturated acyl peroxy radicals (TCO_3) are produced from DCB through photolysis and through reactions with HO and NO_3 [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. The reaction of unsaturated acyl peroxy radicals with NO leads to the production of NO_2 , CO_2 , and compounds of the form $R-C(O)-CH=CH\cdot$. $R-C(O)-CH=CH\cdot$ reacts with O_2 to produce $R-C(O)CHO$, CO, and HO_2 . The dicarbonyl compounds $R-C(O)CHO$ react with HO to produce acyl radicals and CO and HO_2 radicals. These products are almost the same as the products from the aldehyde-hydrogen atom abstraction from methacrolein [Tuazon and Atkinson, 1990]:

To simplify the mechanism, the model species TCO_3 was also used to represent the unsaturated acyl products. It is probable that the acyl radicals produced from unsaturated dicarbonyls react with NO_2 to produce peroxy nitrates; however, these products have not been observed. The comparable product, produced in methacrolein degradation, methacrylic peroxy nitrates, has been reasonably well investigated. The rate constants and products for the reactions of our model species TPAN with HO and O_3 are based upon the experimental measurements for methacrylic peroxy nitrates. These reactions are further discussed by Kirchner and Stockwell [1996b].

3.6.4. Treatment of cresols. For the reaction of HO with cresol (CSL) it was assumed that an unsaturated dicarbonyl enol was formed which can isomerize via keto-enol-tautomerism into a saturated tricarbonyl compound which is treated as MGLY. For the reaction of NO_3 with cresol it was assumed that the only reaction channel was the abstraction of the hydrogen atom from the HO group. There may be other possible reactions [Atkinson *et al.*, 1994], but now no other reactions are known. The resulting phenoxy radical (PHO) can react with NO_2 followed by a hydrogen shift to form ortho-nitrophenol:

The rate constant for (82) is not known; therefore the rate constant for the analogous $\text{CH}_3\text{O}^\bullet + \text{NO}_2$ addition reaction was used. For the $\text{Ph-CH}_2\text{OO}^\bullet + \text{HO}_2$ reaction the rate constant for $\text{Ph-CH}_2\text{OO}^\bullet + \text{HO}_2$ was used. Because orthonitrophenol is less reactive than phenol by 1 order of magnitude, the products are described in the mechanism as 0.1CSL + ONIT. There is also experimental evidence for the formation of quinones from cresols [Wiesen *et al.*, 1995] through the reactions of phenoxy radicals, but not enough is known about the quinone chemistry to include it in the RACM mechanism.

3.7. Biogenic Organic Species

The oxidation mechanism for isoprene was completely revised from the mechanism of Stockwell *et al.* [1990]. Isoprene is oxidized in the atmosphere through its reactions with $\text{HO}^\bullet$, NO_3 , and O_3 . Our oxidation scheme for the isoprene + $\text{HO}^\bullet$ reaction follows the measurements of Paulson *et al.* [1992a]. The new isoprene mechanism is a good representation of the atmospheric chemistry of methacrolein and MPAN. It includes treatment of isoprene ozonolysis, hydroperoxide production, and production of carbonitrates from the reaction of isoprene with NO_3 .

The RACM mechanism also includes a mechanism for the oxidation of α -pinene and d-limonene. The new oxidation mechanism for α -pinene and d-limonene is based upon the limited available experimental data for terpene reactions [Atkinson, 1994]. Because many of the reactions for α -pinene and d-limonene oxidation are unknown, our mechanism was completed by using reactions that were analogous to known reactions for lower alkenes. To include the large number of different monoterpenes in the mechanism, it was necessary to group the individual monoterpenes into a few groups. This grouping was done according to similarities in rate constants and structure. Structure and rate constants of sabinene and Δ^3 -carene are similar to those of α -pinene; therefore those terpenes are treated as α -pinene. The mechanism was successfully tested against environmental chamber runs [Kirchner and Stockwell, 1996b].

3.8. Parameters for Organic Peroxy Radical-Peroxy Radical Reactions and the Reactions of Nitrate Radical With Organic Peroxy Radicals

The reactions of organic peroxy radical with NO , NO_3 , HO_2 , and with other organic peroxy radicals were revised as described by Kirchner and Stockwell [1996a]. The revised rate constants were significantly different from those used by Stockwell *et al.* [1990] in several cases. Simulations made using the original mechanism and a version with the updated rate con-

stants for the peroxy radical reactions were compared. The calculated concentrations (especially the nighttime concentrations) of PAN, higher organic hydroperoxides, peroxyacetic acid organic peroxy radicals, HO_2 , HO , and NO_3 were strongly affected by the revisions to peroxy radical chemistry. On the basis of that study it appears that $\text{RO}_2^\bullet + \text{NO}_3$ reactions are more important in the nighttime atmosphere than $\text{RO}_2^\bullet + \text{RO}_2^\bullet$ reactions.

4. Comparison With Environmental Chamber Data

Simulation of environmental chamber experiments allows an atmospheric chemical mechanism to be tested as a complete system. The chamber typically contains a mixture of NO_x and organic species that are exposed to either sunlight or artificial light and concentration measurements are made as the compounds react [Carter *et al.*, 1995]. Unfortunately, the usefulness of environmental chamber data is limited by several factors including the relatively high concentrations used, wall effects, and photolysis rate uncertainties [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. Chamber experiments are usually conducted at concentrations greater than those in ambient air to permit the concentrations to be measured. The walls of the chamber affect the concentrations of O_3 , NO_x , aldehydes, and ketones and are a significant source of radicals [Lurmann *et al.*, 1986; Stockwell *et al.*, 1990; Carter *et al.*, 1995]. There may be differences between sunlight and the spectral distribution in the actinic flux in indoor chambers, while for outdoor chambers the photolysis rates may be uncertain due to clouds, wall adsorption and reflection, and other chamber effects [National Center for Atmospheric Research, (NCAR), 1986]. Taken together, all of these uncertainties in environmental chamber data limit the evaluation of predicted ozone concentrations to no better than about $\pm 30\%$ [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990].

The environmental chamber runs modeled here are the same experiments used to test both the mechanism of Lurmann *et al.* [1986] and the RADM2 mechanism [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. Extremely extensive testing of the RADM2 mechanism that used the results from several different chambers showed that the experiments used here are representative for ozone, nitrogen oxides, and VOC [Carter and Lurmann, 1989]. The reevaluated data set of Carter *et al.* [1995] was used for these tests. The 20 environmental chamber runs were made using the Evacuatable Chamber (EC) of the Statewide Air Pollution Research Center (SAPRC) of the University of California, Riverside [Carter *et al.*, 1995]. This indoor chamber has a volume of 5800 L. Typically, the relative humidity was near 50% for the modeled experiments. The RACM and RADM2 mechanisms were compared by running both against these experiments. The RADM2 simulations presented here are slightly different from the simulations of Stockwell *et al.* [1990] because the description of the chamber radical sources, other wall effects, actinic flux was updated to the chamber model developed by Carter *et al.* [1995]. It should be noted that the original chamber runs used by Stockwell *et al.* included experiment EC-306 but it had to be dropped from our comparisons because the experiment had been removed from the reevaluated data set.

Figures 3, 4, and 5 show profiles of NO_x , ozone, and the aromatics toluene and xylene, respectively, for experiment EC-237, which consisted of the photolysis of a mixture of nitrogen oxides and a complex mixture of reactive organic species:

Figure 3. Predicted and observed concentration profiles of NO_x for SAPRC environmental chamber experiment EC-237. Triangles represent experimental values of NO; diamonds represent experimental NO_2 ; solid lines represent RACM simulations; dotted line represents RADM2 simulations.

ethene, propene, *t*-2-butene, *n*-butene, 2,3-dimethylbutene, toluene, and *m*-xylene [Carter *et al.*, 1995]. Experiment EC-237 is a "benchmark" case that has been presented by several mechanism developers [McRae *et al.*, 1982; Lurmann *et al.*, 1986; Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. The experiment provides a clear illustration of the chemistry of ozone formation. Figure 3 shows that NO is converted to NO_2 which is due to the reaction of peroxy radicals with NO. The NO_2 photolyzes to produce ozone, while the reduction in NO concentrations decreases the

rate of the $\text{O}_3 + \text{NO}$ reaction. Therefore the net effect of the NO to NO_2 conversions is to increase ozone concentrations (Figure 4).

The profiles of NO_x and ozone and the timing of the maxima of NO_2 and ozone are better fit by the new mechanism than by RADM2 when the simulations are made with the revised chamber model of Carter *et al.* [1995]. For experiment EC-237 the NO-to- NO_2 conversion rate predicted by RACM is slightly greater than the rate predicted by RADM2. The timing of the maximum NO_2 concentration predicted by RACM is earlier and in better agreement with the chamber data than the RADM2 calculation.

Figure 4 shows the comparison of simulated ozone concentrations with the experimental values for EC-237. The RACM profile shows an ozone production rate more consistent with the chamber data than that predicted by RADM2. The peak concentration predicted by the RACM mechanism is slightly higher than predicted by the RADM2 mechanism. However, both predicted ozone profiles are well within $\pm 30\%$ of the experimental ozone concentration. The timing of the ozone peak predicted by RACM is somewhat later than the experimental value but is in better agreement than the RADM2 calculations.

The predicted and measured concentrations of toluene and xylene are in good agreement for both mechanisms for these chamber conditions (Figure 5). This agreement indicates that for this experiment both mechanisms accurately predict the HO concentration because the only processes which reduce aromatic concentrations are reaction with HO and dilution in the chamber.

Tables 9 and 10 summarize the calculated and observed maximum O_3 and NO_2 concentrations and the time at which they occur for all 20 of the modeled EC experiments. In a few cases the experiments were concluded before the ozone reached a maximum or the simulations did not predict a ozone maximum during the time of the experiment. For these cases

Figure 4. Predicted and observed concentration profiles of ozone for SAPRC environmental chamber experiment EC-237. Circles represent experimental values of O_3 ; solid line represents RACM simulations; dotted line represents RADM2 simulations.

Figure 5. Predicted and observed concentration profiles of toluene for SAPRC environmental chamber experiment EC-237. Circles represent experimental values of toluene; squares represent xylene; solid lines represent RACM simulations; dotted lines represent RADM2 simulations.

the timing of the ozone maximum in Table 9 is reported as "greater than experimental time," and the maximum ozone concentration is the concentration at the end of the experiment. These cases are included in Figure 6, showing the peak O_3 concentrations observed and predicted by the two mechanisms, but they are not included in Figure 7 in which the timing of the peak O_3 concentrations is compared. Overall, the RACM mechanism generally predicts higher peak ozone concentrations than those predicted by RADM2. For the peak ozone concentrations the mean normalized deviations of the RACM and RADM2 calculated values from the EC experimental values are 19 and 13%, respectively.

The timing of the ozone maximum is better represented by the RACM mechanism for most cases, except for a few cases with an aromatic hydrocarbon as the principal component (EC-331, EC-344, and EC-345). If these cases are included, the mean of the normalized deviations of the RACM calculated timing of the peak ozone concentrations from the EC experimental values is 30%, while RADM2 gives a value of 27%. For EC-340 the agreement between the final experimental and simulated ozone concentrations was better for the RACM mechanism. If runs EC-331, EC-340, EC-344, and EC-345 are excluded, the mean normalized deviations are 11 and 25% for RACM and RADM2, respectively.

For experiment EC-331 the RACM mechanism predicted the toluene profile better than the RADM2. Because toluene concentrations in the chamber were affected only by HO reaction and dilution, this suggests that the RACM mechanism predicted HO concentrations better than the RADM2 mechanism. For EC-344 run where *m*-xylene was the major aromatic compound, the ozone profile and xylene profiles were both simulated better by the original RADM2.

However, simulations of aromatic photo-oxidation experiments made in another SAPRC chamber (the evacuable Teflon chamber (ETC)) gave better agreement between model

Figure 6. Maximum ozone concentrations predicted by RACM and RADM2 mechanisms plotted against SAPRC experimental values. Circles refer to RACM mechanism; asterisks refer to RADM2. Middle line is the 1-1 line; top and bottom lines represent $\pm 30\%$ deviation from the 1-1 line.

Figure 7. Time of the maximum of the ozone concentrations predicted by RACM and RADM2 mechanisms plotted against SAPRC experimental values. Only experiments where an ozone peak was observed are included. Circles refer to RACM mechanism; asterisks refer to RADM2. Middle line is the 1-1 line; top and bottom lines represent $\pm 30\%$ deviation from the 1-1 line.

and experiment for the RACM mechanism, but these experiments were performed under black light illumination and low relative humidity ($\sim 5\%$). Furthermore, the chamber studies showed that the RADM cresol mechanism produced too much ozone and that the timing of the peak ozone was late. The revised RACM mechanism predicts the timing of the ozone peak better, but the amount of ozone production from cresol requires improvement. Although the aromatic chemistry in the RACM mechanism is based on more recent data than the RADM2 mechanism, future versions will require additional research.

Both mechanisms predict peak NO_2 concentrations very well (Figure 8). The mean normalized deviations of NO_2 peak concentrations from the EC chamber experimental measurements for RACM and RADM2 are 10 and 9%, respectively. The timing of the NO_2 peak concentration predicted by RACM and RADM2 are very similar (Figure 9). The timing of the simulated NO_2 maxima is later in most cases, but the overall performance of RACM is only slightly improved (Figure 9). The mean normalized deviations of timing of the NO_2 peak concentrations for RACM and RADM2 are both near 3%. The ability of the mechanism to correctly simulate the NO and NO_2 profiles suggests that not only the HO concentrations but also the underlying acyl peroxy radical concentrations and their effect on the chemistry NO_2 are well simulated because under these conditions, significant amounts of PAN and PAN analogs are produced.

5. Comparison of the RACM and RADM2 Mechanisms

The concentrations of O_3 , H_2O_2 , H_2SO_4 , HNO_3 , and PAN predicted by the RACM and the RADM2 mechanisms were compared. The purpose of this comparison was to allow an

Figure 8. Maximum NO_2 concentrations predicted by RACM and RADM2 mechanisms plotted against SAPRC experimental values. Circles refer to RACM mechanism; asterisks refer to RADM2. Middle line is the 1-1 line; top and bottom lines represent $\pm 30\%$ deviation from the 1-1 line.

assessment of the effect of the revisions on the calculated concentrations of species that are of particular interest to the developers of regional air quality models. No emissions, dilution, or deposition were included in the first 18 cases. The impacts of emissions on the relative performance of the mechanisms were assessed through cases 19–21 discussed below.

The first 18 simulations are from an extensive mechanism intercomparison study [Stockwell and Lurmann, 1989]. The

Figure 9. Time of the maximum of the NO_2 concentrations predicted by RACM and RADM2 mechanisms plotted against SAPRC experimental values. Circles refer to RACM mechanism; asterisks refer to RADM2. Middle line is the 1-1 line; top and bottom lines represent $\pm 30\%$ deviation from the 1-1 line.

simulations were performed for typical rural and urban conditions in a manner similar to a comparison of the first and second version of the RADM mechanisms [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990]. Two days were simulated for summer surface conditions starting and stopping at 0600 LT. The simulations employed diurnally varying solar radiation for 40° latitude. The fluxes are calculated from a radiative transfer model based on the delta-Eddington technique [Joseph *et al.*, 1976; Madronich, 1987] as described by Stockwell *et al.* [1990]. The original and updated photolysis rates were used for the RADM2 and the RACM mechanisms, respectively.

The composition of the rural and urban mixtures shown in Table 11 were used, and Table 12 shows the initial concentrations for these simulations. The rural simulations have initial NO_x concentrations ranging from 0.5 to 5 ppb, total nonmethane organic compound (NMOC) concentrations ranging from 10 to 100 ppb C. The RADM2 aggregation factors were used for both mechanisms. The rural initial NMOC/ NO_x ratios ranged from 2 to 200. The urban simulations have initial NO_x concentrations ranging from 10 to 100 ppb, initial VOC concentrations ranging from 100 to 1000 ppb C, and initial NMOC/ NO_x ratios ranging from 1 to 100.

The RACM and RADM2 mechanisms predict similar O_3 concentrations for typical atmospheric conditions (Table 13). The average ratio of O_3 predicted by RACM to that predicted by RADM2 is 1.08. The RACM mechanism predicts higher peak O_3 concentrations for 11 of the 18 cases. The O_3 predictions for the rural cases are all in excellent agreement. The RACM mechanism predicts more O_3 than the RADM2 mechanism for all but one of the urban cases with the greatest differences occurring for cases 11, 12, and 15. The urban cases have a greater proportion of highly reactive alkenes and aromatics than the rural cases, and therefore the urban cases are

Table 11. Nonmethane Organic Composition Used for Cases 1–18

Organic Group/ Compound	Rural Summer Surface		Urban Summer Surface	
	Fraction of Group, ^a %	Fraction of Nonmethane Organic Carbon, ^a %	Fraction of Group, ^a %	Fraction of Nonmethane Organic Carbon, ^a %
Alkanes		63.0		55.0
Ethane	25	15.8	10	5.5
Propane	20	12.6	15	8.3
<i>n</i> -butane	15	9.5	15	8.3
<i>n</i> -pentane	15	9.5	15	8.3
<i>n</i> -hexane	10	6.3	15	8.3
<i>n</i> -heptane	10	6.3	15	8.3
<i>n</i> -octane	5	3.2	15	8.3
Alkenes		15.0		20.0
Ethene	40	6.0	35	7.0
Propene	20	3.0	40	8.0
<i>tert</i> -2-butene	0	0	25	5.0
Isoprene	40	6.0	0	0
Aromatics		20.0		20.0
Benzene	50	10.0	20	4.0
Toluene	35	7.0	40	8.0
<i>m</i> -xylene	15	3.0	25	5.0
Mesitylene	0	0	15	3.0
Aldehydes		2.0		5.0
Formaldehyde	50	1.0	50	2.5
Acetaldehyde	50	1.0	50	2.5

From Stockwell *et al.* [1990].

^aAll organic fractions are calculated on a carbon basis.

more strongly affected by the revisions to the aromatic chemistry and the nighttime NO_3 + alkene chemistry.

The RACM mechanism predicts less H_2O_2 than the RADM2 mechanism for 15 of the cases due to the revisions to the peroxy radical chemistry [Kirchner and Stockwell, 1996a]. The predicted H_2O_2 concentrations agree well for the cases which produce large amounts H_2O_2 , but the mechanisms show their greatest differences for the cases 16 and 17 where both predicted little H_2O_2 . The average ratio of H_2O_2 predicted by RACM to that predicted by RADM2 is 0.90 if these two cases are excluded and 0.99 if they are included.

The RACM mechanism predicts higher H_2SO_4 concentrations than the RADM2 for all 18 cases; the average predicted peak H_2SO_4 concentration ratios of RACM to RADM2 are 1.20. This also shows that the RACM mechanism predicts higher HO concentrations for these rural and urban conditions because the reaction of HO with SO_2 is only gas-phase reaction which produces H_2SO_4 in the mechanisms. The differences between the RACM and RADM2 mechanisms are greatest for the urban cases, and these differences are greater for those cases with the higher initial NMOC/ NO_x ratios.

The RACM mechanism predicts slightly higher HNO_3 concentrations than the RADM2 for 14 of the 18 cases. The

Table 12. Initial Conditions for Mechanism Intercomparison Cases 1–18

Meteorological Conditions			Value
Date			June 21
Latitude			40°N
Elevation, km			0
Temperature, K			298
Pressure, atm			1

Case	Nonmethane Organic Carbon, ppb C	NO _x , ppb	Duration, days	Ratio of NMOC to NO _x
Rural Summer Surface				
1	10	0.50	2	20
2	33	0.50	2	66
3	100	0.50	2	200
4	10	1.67	2	6
5	33	1.67	2	20
6	100	1.67	2	60
7	10	5.00	2	2
8	33	5.00	2	6.6
9	100	5.00	2	20
Urban Summer Surface				
10	100	10	2	10
11	330	10	2	33
12	1000	10	2	100
13	100	33	3	3
14	330	33	2	10
15	1000	33	2	30
16	100	100	5	1
17	330	100	3	3.3
18	1000	100	2	10

Other Species	Rural Summer Surface	Urban Summer Surface
CH ₄ , ppb	1800	3000
CO, ppb	200	1000
SO ₂ , ppb	5	30
O ₃ , ppb	10	10
NO/NO _x	0.2	0.8

Table 13. Predicted RACM and RADM2 Maximum O_3 , H_2O_2 and H_2SO_4 Concentrations and Noontime PAN Concentrations During Second Day for Cases 1–18

Run	O_3 , ppb			H_2O_2 , ppb			H_2SO_4 , ppb			HNO_3 , ppb			PAN, ppb		
	RACM	RADM2	Ratio RACM/RADM2	RACM	RADM2	Ratio RACM/RADM2	RACM	RADM2	Ratio RACM/RADM2	RACM	RADM2	Ratio RACM/RADM2	RACM	RADM2	Ratio RACM/RADM2
1	25.6	26.0	0.98	1.84	2.07	0.89	1.12	1.07	1.05	0.39	0.39	1.00	0.01	0.02	0.50
2	27.1	26.7	1.01	1.85	2.15	0.86	0.88	0.80	1.10	0.29	0.28	1.04	0.03	0.05	0.60
3	25.7	25.8	1.00	1.72	2.11	0.82	0.44	0.41	1.07	0.13	0.18	0.72	0.04	0.06	0.67
4	36.7	37.7	0.97	2.12	2.41	0.88	1.64	1.60	1.03	1.53	1.53	1.00	0.01	0.03	0.33
5	42.7	43.3	0.99	2.44	2.82	0.87	1.52	1.43	1.06	1.42	1.37	1.04	0.04	0.11	0.36
6	52.0	49.3	1.05	2.90	3.37	0.86	1.10	0.92	1.20	1.07	0.97	1.10	0.14	0.28	0.50
7	45.4	47.0	0.97	1.45	1.82	0.80	1.80	1.79	1.01	4.74	4.74	1.00	0.02	0.05	0.40
8	56.0	57.5	0.97	2.27	2.67	0.85	1.88	1.82	1.03	4.68	4.61	1.02	0.06	0.15	0.40
9	77.1	76.0	1.02	3.33	3.95	0.84	1.73	1.55	1.12	4.31	3.97	1.09	0.22	0.56	0.39
10	125	120	1.04	8.50	8.90	0.96	8.77	7.80	1.12	9.02	8.32	1.08	0.27	0.79	0.34
11	161	132	1.22	11.73	11.80	0.99	6.46	4.45	1.45	7.27	5.64	1.29	0.27	2.25	0.62
12	160	112	1.42	18.70	18.10	1.03	2.80	1.75	1.60	4.94	4.28	1.15	2.48	1.84	1.35
13	138	138	1.00	2.44	2.60	0.94	7.95	7.45	1.07	30.48	29.20	1.04	0.66	1.15	0.57
14	230	213	1.08	11.44	12.20	0.94	10.06	8.10	1.24	29.45	25.30	1.16	2.1	4.87	0.43
15	295	225	1.31	20.98	20.70	1.01	6.16	3.70	1.66	22.73	18.00	1.26	7.13	8.14	0.88
16	15.7	14.0	1.12	5×10^{-3}	8×10^{-3}	0.63	1.06	0.93	1.14	15.69	13.40	1.17	0.03	0.04	0.75
17	210	189	1.11	0.84	0.30	2.80	6.62	5.25	1.26	90.22	82.30	1.10	2.17	3.26	0.67
18	419	372	1.13	17.15	18.2	0.94	9.91	6.90	1.44	84.6	70.00	1.21	12.8	20.02	0.64

Table 14. Initial Conditions for Cases 19–21

Compound	Case 19		Case 20		Case 21 Initial Concentrations, ppb
	Initial Concentrations, ppb	Emissions, ppt/min	Initial Concentrations, ppb	Emissions, ppt/min	
Inorganics					
NO	0.2	2.6	0.02	0.26	...
NO ₂	0.5	...	0.05	...	1.0
HNO ₃	0.1	...	0.01	...	0
H ₂ O	1 × 10 ⁷	...	1 × 10 ⁷	...	1.6 × 10 ⁷
O ₃	50	...	30	...	30
H ₂ O ₂	2.0	...	0.2	...	...
SO ₂	...	0.52	...	0.052	1.0
CO	200	5.7	104	0.57	104
Alkanes					
CH ₄	1700	...	1700	...	1700
ETH	...	0.24	...	0.024	1.2
HC3	...	2.6	...	0.26	1.3
HC5	...	0.76	...	0.076	2.1
HC8	...	0.45	...	0.045	1.1
Alkenes					
ETE	...	0.46	...	0.046	0.66
OLI	...	0.19	...	0.019	0.42
OLT	...	0.22	...	0.022	0.27
ISO	...	...	...	...	0.5
Aromatics					
TOL	...	0.57	...	0.057	1.5
XYL	...	0.52	...	0.052	0.07
Carbonyls					
HCHO	1.0	0.14	0.1	0.014	2.1
ALD	...	0.036	...	0.0036	1.0
KET	...	0.32	...	0.032	1.0
PAN	...		...	...	1.0

From *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996a].

average predicted peak HNO₃ concentrations ratios is 1.08. The greatest differences are seen for the urban cases and the differences are greatest for those cases with the higher initial NMOC/NO_x ratios. The concentrations are affected by the differences between the predicted HO concentrations and the differences in the nighttime NO₃ chemistry which affects the predicted nitrogen balance.

The differences in predicted PAN concentrations are very significant, and these results are in accord with our previous results [*Kirchner and Stockwell*, 1996a]. The RACM mechanism predicts less PAN at noon on the second day for all cases except case 12. The average predicted noontime PAN concentration ratios of RACM to RADM2 are 0.58. The increased rates of reaction of the ACO₃ radical with NO and the additional reaction of ACO₃ with NO₃ cause the predicted concentrations of PAN predicted by the RACM mechanism to be significantly reduced. This illustrates the importance of the revisions to the NO₃ and peroxy radical chemistry.

To further determine the cause of the observed differences between RACM and RADM2, three additional cases were simulated (Table 14). The first two cases are based upon conditions used in an international intercomparison of chemical mechanisms [*Poppe et al.*, 1996], and all of these cases were used to determine the effect of revisions to peroxy radical chemistry on predicted concentrations [*Kirchner and Stockwell*, 1996a]. Cases 19, 20, and 21 were cases 1, 2, and 3, respectively, of *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996a]. The same meteorological conditions were used for these simulations as were used for

cases 1–18. Emissions are included for cases 19 and 20. Case 19 represents a somewhat polluted atmosphere with emissions of NO_x and organic compounds. Case 20 represents a relatively cleaner atmosphere with the initial NO_x and organic compound concentrations and emission rates reduced by a factor of 10 from those of case 19. Case 21 represents the situation of aged air mixing with rural air. The three cases were simulated using the RADM2 mechanism, the RADM2 mechanism with updated peroxy radical chemistry (run D of *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996a]), and the new RACM mechanism.

Table 15 shows the results of this intercomparison for cases 19 to 21. The effect of the revisions to peroxy radical chemistry was discussed by *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996a]; therefore we focus the differences between the RACM and RADM2 mechanisms with revised peroxy radical chemistry (RADM2-D). The O₃ concentrations were not strongly affected by the revisions. However, the RACM mechanism predicted nighttime HO and HO₂ concentrations that were much greater than those of RADM2-D. The ratios of the nighttime HO concentrations predicted by the RACM mechanism to that predicted by the RADM2-D mechanism were 3.34, 2.90, and 2.04, for cases 19, 20, and 21, respectively. The ratios of the nighttime HO₂ concentrations predicted by the RACM mechanism to that predicted by the RADM2-D mechanism were 1.39, 1.49, and 1.28 for cases 19, 20, and 21, respectively. The most important reason for the greater nighttime HO concentrations predicted by the RACM mechanism is the revised product composition of the reaction of HO₂ with NO₃. For case 19 the

Table 15. Simulation Results for Cases 19–21

Run	Time ^a	Units	Case 19 ^a				Case 20 ^a				Case 21 ^a			
			RADM2 ^b	RADM2-D ^c	RACM	RACM/ RADM2-D	RADM2 ^b	RADM2-D ^c	RACM	RACM/ RADM2-D	RADM2 ^b	RADM2-D ^c	RACM	RACM/ RADM2-D
O ₃	overall	ppb	150	146	148	1.01	51.4	51.1	50.1	0.98	58.4	57.9	57.2	0.99
PAN	day	ppb	2.3	1.1	1.10	1.00	0.11	0.05	0.04	0.80	0.14	0.06	0.04	0.67
PAN	night	ppb	2.2	0.7	0.64	0.91	0.071	0.016	0.012	0.75	0.12	0.02	0.01	0.50
H ₂ O ₂	overall	ppb	5.7	4.5	4.03	0.90	2.67	2.50	2.21	0.88	3.48	3.21	2.96	0.92
Methyl hydroperoxide	overall	ppb	0.98	0.73	0.88	1.21	0.55	0.48	0.64	1.33	0.96	0.90	1.15	1.28
Higher hydroperoxides	overall	ppb	1.2	2.02	2.13	1.05	0.15	0.30	0.36	1.20	0.33	0.60	0.75	1.25
Peroxoacetic acid	overall	ppb	0.72	0.26	0.29	1.12	0.13	0.05	0.05	1.00	0.34	0.13	0.13	1.00
Higher aldehydes	day	ppb	1.37	1.31	0.91	0.69	0.171	0.159	0.107	0.67	0.25	0.32	0.15	0.47
Higher aldehydes	night	ppb	1.00	1.18	0.814	0.69	0.160	0.163	0.101	0.62	0.26	0.31	0.15	0.48
NO	day	ppt	132	155	182	1.17	53.4	54	57.7	1.07	21	16	18.4	1.15
NO ₃	night	ppt	301	182	183	1.01	69	45	38	0.84	69	27	29	1.07
HO	day	ppt	0.308	0.303	0.365	1.20	0.290	0.296	0.327	1.10	0.30	0.30	0.34	1.13
HO	night	ppt	0.0009	0.0029	0.0099	3.41	0.00026	0.00069	0.00185	2.68	0.00045	0.00091	0.00170	1.87
HO ₂	day	ppt	37	33	34	1.03	24.5	23.8	23.6	0.99	25.5	25.2	25.7	1.02
HO ₂	night	ppt	0.6	2.3	2.8	1.22	0.16	0.45	0.59	1.31	0.30	0.60	0.62	1.03
Methyl peroxy radicals	day	ppt	15.7	14.3	12.4	0.87	13.1	12.8	11.4	0.89	23	23	20	0.87
Methyl peroxy radicals	night	ppt	16.5	4.2	3.95	0.94	2.6	0.8	0.94	1.18	6.8	1.7	1.5	0.88
Acetyl peroxy radicals	day	ppt	10.9	3.5	2.98	0.85	2.7	0.9	0.688	0.76	6.7	2.2	1.5	0.68
Acetyl peroxy radicals	night	ppt	9.1	1.1	1.0	0.91	1.18	0.16	0.13	0.81	3.7	0.4	0.2	0.50
OLN or OLNN+OLND	night	ppt	40	1.0	0.96	0.96	6.8	0.30	0.40	1.33	0.019	0.0006	0.0008	1.33

^aOverall represents for cases 19 and 20 the highest value between sunrise of the fifth day and sunrise of the sixth day and for case 21, the highest value between sunset of the second day and sunset of the third day; day, represents for cases 19 and 20, highest value between sunrise and sunset of the fifth day and case 21, highest value between sunrise and sunset of the third day; night, represents for cases 19 and 20, fifth night, 0130 LT; and for case 21, second night, 0130 LT.

^bOriginal RADM2 with N₂O₅ hydrolysis rate constant set to 0.

^cOnly peroxy radical reactions updated (run D of *Kirchner and Stockwell* [1996a]).

$\text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_3$ reaction becomes the most important HO source during the night, and for cases 20 and 21 this reaction occurs at a rate that is about 75 and 50% the rate of the $\text{O}_3 + \text{HO}_2$ reaction.

The higher nighttime HO concentrations increase the importance of their reactions during the nighttime. For case 19 a counter species analysis [Leone and Seinfeld, 1985] of the RACM simulation showed that the fraction of organic compounds which react with HO slightly exceed the fraction reacting with NO_3 . The fraction of organic compounds which react with O_3 was significantly less than the fraction reacting with either HO or NO_3 during the nighttime hours. On the fifth night of this simulation, for example, the amount of HCHO that reacted with NO_3 is the same as the amount that reacted with HO. There are additional slow reactions of NO_3 with alkanes which are not included in the RACM mechanism which may increase the relative fraction of organic compounds that react with NO_3 and slightly decrease the relative importance of the HO reaction. However, the comparison of the RACM mechanism with the RADM2-D mechanism shows that during the nighttime the reaction of organic species with HO can be important. The revised nighttime production of HO now included in the RACM mechanism produce greater HO_2 and organic peroxy radical concentrations.

The revisions incorporated into the aromatic oxidation scheme in the RACM mechanism lead to greater NO_x concentrations. Comparison of the RACM simulations with the RADM2-D simulations shows that this increase is due to lower organic nitrate concentrations predicted by the RACM mechanism. Although the organic nitrate photolysis frequency is higher in the RACM mechanism, the lower organic nitrate concentrations are due to lower production from aromatic oxidation. In the RADM2 and RADM2-D mechanisms, large amounts of cresols are produced from the oxidation of aromatic species. During the night the cresol rapidly reacts with NO_3 to produce intermediates that react with NO_2 to form organic nitrate. Organic nitrates are produced in the RACM mechanism through the reaction of PHO with NO_2 . Phenoxy radicals are produced from the reaction of cresol with NO_3 and partially from the reaction of cresol with HO. In the RACM mechanism the cresol yields are much lower than in the RADM2 and RADM2-D mechanisms; this leads to much lower concentrations of phenoxy radicals and organic nitrate.

During daytime the lower cresol yield from aromatics in combination with a faster rate of HO_2 production and a reduced organic peroxy radical production rate from the reaction of HO with HC3 lead to higher daytime HO, HO_2 , and NO_x concentrations for the RACM mechanism. The revised rate parameter for the $\text{HO} + \text{HC3}$ reaction is significantly lower in RACM. The increase in the HO concentrations leads to increased aldehyde (ALD) production from the hydrocarbons, and consequently, the rate of the $\text{ALD} + \text{HO}$ reaction is increased. This produces more acetyl peroxy radicals (ACO_3), peroxy acetic acid (PAA), and PAN for the RACM mechanism relative to the RADM2-D mechanism. The concentrations of PAN and PAA are further increased because the revised rate constants for the reaction of these compounds with HO are lower than those used in RADM2. The increase of methyl hydrogen peroxide (OP1) concentrations results from the updated photolysis rate constant which is about 25% lower than the one used in RADM2. This leads to a significant increase in the predicted methyl hydrogen peroxide concentrations. The increase in the higher organic peroxide concentrations is much

smaller because it has a much greater rate constant with HO which makes its loss by photolysis relatively less important.

6. Conclusions

The Regional Atmospheric Chemistry Mechanism is a substantially revised version of the RADM2 mechanism [Stockwell *et al.*, 1990], with rate constants and product yields from the most recent laboratory measurements. The mechanism has been compared with the previous RADM2 mechanism, and it has been tested against environmental chamber data. The mechanism includes 17 stable inorganic species, 4 inorganic intermediates, 32 stable organic species, and 24 organic intermediates in 237 reactions. Several inorganic reactions were added to the RACM mechanism including reactions of $\text{O}(^3\text{P})$ with nitrogen oxides and ozone, the reaction of HO with H_2 , HO with nitrous acid, and a few additional NO_3 reactions.

It should be stressed that the RACM mechanism considers only the gas-phase chemistry of the troposphere. Therefore the reaction of N_2O_5 with H_2O was dropped from the RACM gas-phase mechanism because it now appears that the $\text{N}_2\text{O}_5 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ reaction is a heterogeneous reaction. Heterogeneous and aqueous phase reactions have a strong effect on the gas-phase chemistry, and these should be included in photochemical atmospheric chemistry models [Seinfeld, 1986]. However, much more data from both laboratory and field measurements will be required before this aspect of atmospheric chemistry is well understood.

To make the mechanism suitable for three-dimensional (3-D) models, the RACM mechanism uses grouped organic species. Aggregation factors for reactive organic species were developed according to the methods of Middleton *et al.* [1990] and Stockwell *et al.* [1990]. The organic chemistry was significantly revised. Revisions to the branching ratios for alkane decay led to significantly reduced aldehyde to ketone ratios. The decomposition and nitrate formation channels for the reactions of NO_3 with alkenes are now more explicitly treated, and the relatively large amounts of nitrates resulting from the reactions of unbranched alkenes are included in the RACM mechanism. The production of HO from the ozonolysis of alkenes has a much greater yield in the RACM mechanism than in the RADM2 mechanism.

The aromatic chemistry has been revised to be more consistent with recent laboratory data. Many more aromatic reaction products are accounted for in the RACM mechanism. Large amounts of products from the aromatic-HO addition reactions had been ignored in the RADM2 mechanism; this has been corrected in the RACM mechanism. The chemistry of the unsaturated dicarbonyl species and the unsaturated peroxy nitrates has been revised by including HO and NO_3 addition reactions and ozonolysis. The amount of cresol production has been reduced. For the RADM2 mechanism, environmental chamber studies showed that the timing for the cresol chemistry was poor and that the cresol chemistry produced too much ozone. The new RACM mechanism has improved the timing for the cresol chemistry, but the level of ozone production requires additional improvement.

The peroxyacetyl nitrate chemistry and the organic peroxy radical-peroxy radical reactions were revised. Organic peroxy radical + NO_3 reactions were added according to Kirchner and Stockwell [1996a]. These revisions lead to significantly lower calculated PAN concentrations.

The oxidation mechanism for isoprene was completely re-

vised from the RADM2 mechanism. The new isoprene mechanism includes a good representation of methacrolein, and it includes treatment of isoprene ozonolysis, hydroperoxide production, and production of carbonitrates from the reaction of isoprene with NO_3 . The RACM mechanism includes a mechanism for the oxidation of α -pinene and d-limonene. Tests against environmental chamber experiments show a reasonably good agreement between simulation and experiment [Kirchner and Stockwell, 1996b].

Both the RADM and RACM mechanisms reproduce the concentrations of O_3 , NO_2 , and hydrocarbons and the timing of peak O_3 and NO_2 concentrations measured in environmental chambers to within about $\pm 30\%$. Intercomparisons for rural and urban conditions show that the RADM and RACM predict similar concentrations of O_3 , H_2O_2 , H_2SO_4 , and HNO_3 , but the PAN concentrations are significantly different. Because the RACM chemistry is based upon significantly more reliable laboratory measurements and evaluated rate constants, we strongly recommend this mechanism for use in regional atmospheric chemistry models.

Research on the development of tropospheric gas-phase reaction mechanisms must be considered to be a continuing process because of significant gaps and uncertainties in the laboratory kinetic data. These important gaps include several topics for research. The reactions of ozone and NO_3 with alkenes and their reaction products require better characterization. For these compounds, uncertainties include the nature and yield of radicals, hydrogen peroxide, hydroperoxides, and organic acids. The oxidation mechanisms of biogenic hydrocarbons including isoprene and terpenes are very complex and poorly understood. The uncertainties in aromatic chemistry are very high; many of the products have not been characterized. The initial fate of the aromatic-HO adduct is not known. The point during the oxidation cycle where the aromatic ring breaks is not known nor is the location of the break known. Although many rate constants for the primary reactions of HO, O_3 , and NO_3 with organic compounds have been measured, there has been insufficient progress in the understanding of the secondary organic chemistry. Product yields and the reactions of many photooxidation products remain to be investigated. This is especially true for the chemistry of higher molecular weight organic compounds. There are few available data on the secondary chemistry for compounds with carbon numbers greater than 3 or 4. For example, the nature, yield, and fate of many of the carbonyl products produced from the high molecular weight alkanes, alkenes and other compounds requires more laboratory data. The reactions of organic peroxy radicals with NO, HO_2 , RO_2 , and NO_3 need to be better characterized because these reactions may strongly affect the concentrations of PAN, organic nitrate, organic peroxides, H_2O_2 , and ozone. For higher molecular weight alkoxy radicals the relative importance of unimolecular decomposition, reaction with oxygen, and isomerization reactions is unknown, and this may effect simulated ozone production rates.

More environmental chamber and field data are required to test the mechanisms. Uncertainties in photolysis rates, wall effects, and initial conditions and the relatively high concentrations that are used in environmental chambers limit the usefulness of the data now available. Cleaner environmental experiments with a wider number of measured species are required. Field measurements suffer from uncertainties in meteorological conditions, photolysis rates, emissions, initial concentrations and air mass age, effects of heterogeneous and

aqueous phase reactions, deposition rates, etc. One possible solution to the problem is comparison of in situ measurements of HO and other radical intermediates with model simulations based upon a reasonably complete dataset of meteorological parameters, photolysis frequencies, NO_x , and VOC concentrations [Poppe et al., 1994]. These tests and similar ones should be repeated for the new mechanism. Finally, simultaneous field measurements of NO_x , PAN, organic nitrates, and HNO_3 would be a useful test of the mechanism because the secondary peroxy radical chemistry strongly affects the partitioning between nitrogen species [Stockwell et al., 1990, 1995; Kirchner and Stockwell, 1996a].

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