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The Kinetics of Adsorption/Desorption of selected semivolatile Hydrocarbons and H₂O Vapor on two Mineral Dust Materials: a molecular View

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Table S1 : Master List of performed gas-solid Experiments for semivolatile hydrocarbons interacting with two mineral dust proxies

Sample ID	Mass/mg ^b	Organics	Substrate	Uptake/#	Uptake/# cm ⁻²	Recovery /%	Uptake /ML	k ₀ /s ⁻¹	k _{ss} /s ^{-1d} remarks
FS10	161.8	Applinate	Kaolinite LO	8.50 10 ¹⁷	2.30 10 ¹³	60.3	0.096	(4.08)	
FS11	Reads.	Applinate	Kaolinite LO	7.16 10 ¹⁷	1.97 10 ¹³		0.081		
FS40	373.7	Applinate	ATD-C	2.31 10 ¹⁸	5.72 10 ¹³	10.0	0.244	(1.45)	
FS41	Reads.	Applinate	ATD-C	8.0 10 ¹⁷	1.98 10 ¹³		0.084	1.25	
FS60	59.7	Menthol	ATD-C	1.69 10 ¹⁷	2.62 10 ¹³	3.44	0.115	0.35	
FS61	Reads	Menthol	ATD-C	2.08 10 ¹⁶	3.23 10 ¹²		0.014		
FS70	54.1	Menthol	Kaolinite LO	1.45 10 ¹⁷	1.19 10 ¹³	26.8	0.052	0.49	
FS71	Reads	Menthol	Kaolinite LO	9.26 10 ¹⁶	1.58 10 ¹³		0.070		
FS90	100.4	Pipol acetate	ATD-C	3.09 10 ¹⁸	2.85 10 ¹⁴	13.4	1.168	0.23	
FS91	Reads	Pipol acetate	ATD-C	7.62 10 ¹⁷	7.03 10 ¹³		0.288	0.072	
FS100	40.3	Pipol acetate	Kaolinite LO	1.08 10 ¹⁸	1.19 10 ¹⁴	24.6	0.488	1.07	
FS101	Reads	Pipol acetate	Kaolinite LO	6.70 10 ¹⁷	7.39 10 ¹³		0.303		
S200	40.8	Benzylacetate	ATD-C	1.94 10 ¹⁷	4.40 10 ¹³	23.7	0.168	0.083	
S201 ^a	25.6	Benzylacetate	Kaolinite LO	2.11 10 ¹⁷	3.67 10 ¹³	48.3	0.140	0.57	7.36 10 ⁻⁴
S203	41.7	Benzylacetate	ATD-C	2.17 10 ¹⁷	4.81 10 ¹³	23.6	0.184	0.083	
S204	Reads.	do.	do.	8.24 10 ¹⁶	1.83 10 ¹³	52.0	0.070	0.021	
S205	33.2	Benzylacetate	Kaolinite LO	2.92 10 ¹⁷	3.91 10 ¹³	53.1	0.149	0.366	
S206	Reads.	do.	do.	1.85 10 ¹⁸	2.47 10 ¹⁴	72.5	0.094	0.0929	
S207	46.4	Limonene	ATD-C	1.34 10 ¹⁷	2.67 10 ¹³	0.0	0.102	0.120	9.03 10 ⁻³ 3.72 10 ⁻³
S208	Reads.	do.	do.	2.71 10 ¹⁶	5.41 10 ¹²	0.0	0.022		3.48 10 ⁻³
S209	20.1	Limonene	Kaolinite LO	4.43 10 ¹⁷	9.80 10 ¹³	0.0	0.410	0.270	1.12 10 ⁻²
S210	Reads.	do.	do.	1.29 10 ¹⁷	2.85 10 ¹³	0.0	0.120	0.051	8.98 10 ⁻³
S211	16.3	γ-Terpinene	Kaolinite LO	9.23 10 ¹⁷	2.52 10 ¹³	not det.	0.104	0.040	1.34 10 ⁻³

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S212	Reads.	do.	do.	2.36 10 ¹⁷	6.43 10 ¹²	not det.	0.0265	0.0102	9.66 10 ⁻⁴
S213	22.1	γ-Terpinene	ATD-C	3.50 10 ¹⁶	1.46 10 ¹³	not det.	0.0604	0.0129	4.38 10 ⁻⁴
S214	16.1	γ-Terpinene	ATD-C	3.16 10 ¹⁶	1.81 10 ¹³	8.73	0.0750	0.0067	
S215	Reads.	do.	do.	6.96 10 ¹⁵	4.00 10 ¹²	6.97	0.0165	0.0027	
S216	15.7	γ-Terpinene	Kaolinite LO	1.05 10 ¹⁷	2.96 10 ¹³	not det.	0.122	0.027	8.76 10 ⁻⁴
S217	Reads.	do.	do.	2.78 10 ¹⁶	7.87 10 ¹²	not det.	0.265	0.0082	6.70 10 ⁻⁴
S218	24.3	Toluene	ATD-C	9.31 10 ¹⁶	3.55 10 ¹³	50.8	0.112	0.0254	
S219	Reads.	do.	do.	6.05 10 ¹⁶	2.31 10 ¹³	80.8	0.073	0.0151	
S220	30.6	Toluene	Kaolinite LO	not det.	not det.	c	not det.		
S221	30.8	Toluene	Kaolinite LO	7.38 10 ¹⁶	1.06 10 ¹³	57.9	0.0334	0.0201	
S222	Reads.	do.	do.	9.67 10 ¹⁶	1.39 10 ¹³	54.7	0.0438	0.0188	
S223	Reads.	do.	do.	6.46 10 ¹⁶	9.32 10 ¹²	81.8	0.0293	0.0180	
S224	11.4	Limonene	Kaolinite LO	4.83 10 ¹⁶	1.88 10 ¹³	0.0	0.0782 ^h	0.224 ^h	
S225	40.8	Toluene	Kaolinite LO	5.21 10 ¹⁶	5.68 10 ¹²	103.7	0.0179 ^h	0.200 ^h	
S226	91.0	Toluene	ATD-C	2.09 10 ¹⁷	2.13 10 ¹³	71.3	0.0670 ^h	0.366 ^h	
S227	54.3	γ-Terpinene	Kaolinite LO	1.08 10 ¹⁷	8.84 10 ¹²	6.94	0.0278 ^h	1.44 ^h	
S228	Reads.	do.	do.	2.71 10 ¹⁶	2.22 10 ¹²	not det.	0.0070 ^h	0.039 ^h	
S230	73.2	Limonene	ATD-C					0.181 ^h	
S231	36.6	Limonene	Kaolinite LO					2.11 ^h	
S232	52.9	γ-Terpinene	ATD-C					1.00 ^h	
S233	55.5	Applinate	ATD-C					2.10 ^h	
S234	45.1	Applinate	Kaolinite LO					2.48 ^h	
S235	52.4	Benzylacetate	Kaolinite LO					2.16 ^h	
S236	58.0	Benzylacetate	ATD-C	2.53 10 ¹⁷	4.04 10 ¹³	7.8	0.1540	0.164	1.53 10 ⁻³
S237	52.4	Benzylacetate	ATD-C					1.15 ^h	
S238	51.9	Benzylacetate	ATD-C	2.79 10 ¹⁷	5.0 10 ¹³	31.6	0.1910	0.19	1.23 10 ⁻³

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S239	55.3	Benzylacetate	Kaolinite LO	2.57 10 ¹⁷	2.07 10 ¹³	47.1	0.0789	> 2.0	
S240	51.2	Toluene	Kaolinite LO	9.15 10 ¹⁶	7.95 10 ¹²	64.8	0.0250	0.057	
S241	66.2	Toluene	ATD-C	2.41 10 ¹⁷	3.37 10 ¹³	55.8	0.1061	0.080	
S242 ^j	62.4	H ₂ O	Kaolinite LO	5.95 10 ¹⁷	4.23 10 ¹³	123.8 ⁱ	0.042	1.42	90' pumped
S243 ^k	72.1	H ₂ O	Kaolinite LO	1.28 10 ¹⁸	7.91 10 ¹³	51.4	0.079	0.465	
S243	72.1	H ₂ O	Kaolinite LO	1.26 10 ¹⁸	7.80 10 ¹³	not det.	0.078	0.480	pumped overn.
S243	72.1	Applinate ⁱ	Kaolinite LO	4.74 10 ¹⁷	2.92 10 ¹³	15.0	0.124	0.172	
S244 ^k	53.0	H ₂ O	Kaolinite LO	8.91 10 ¹⁷	7.48 10 ¹³	not det.	0.0745	2.11	Pumped overn.
S244	53.0	Applinate ⁱ	Kaolinite LO	8.16 10 ¹⁷	6.84 10 ¹³	41.1	0.291	large	
S245 ^k	93.1	H ₂ O	ATD-C	2.23 10 ¹⁸	2.21 10 ¹⁴	not det.	0.221	1.170	1.07 10 ⁻³ Pumped overn.
S245	93.1	Applinate ⁱ	ATD-C	7.02 10 ¹⁷	7.0 10 ¹³	10.74	0.297	0.298	
S246	88.6	H ₂ O	ATD-C	1.92 10 ¹⁸	2.01 10 ¹⁴	79.0	0.201	1.08	Pumped 2.5 d
S247	Reads	H ₂ O	ATD-C	2.11 10 ¹⁸	2.21 10 ¹⁴	70.0	0.221	0.880	Pumped 21 h
R248	MT SC	Applinate	-	1.30 10 ¹⁶		112.0			
R249	MT SC	Toluene	-	2.79 10 ¹⁵		100.0			

Unless otherwise noted the rate coefficient for uptake k_0 is given for the 1 mm \emptyset orifice (however, see footnote h). k_0 values in brackets are lower limiting values because they were measured in 1 mm \emptyset uptake experiments. BET surface areas for Kaolinite LO and ATD-C are 22.5 and 10.8 m²/g, respectively. Experiments under footnote h have been performed using a geometric surface area of 1.131 cm² (exception S224 with 0.292 cm²), all others at 10.6 cm²

^a Reference sample S202: Benzylacetate in empty sample compartment: Uptake of 1.33 10¹⁵ molecule cm⁻² with desorption of 3.28 10¹⁷ molecule

^b Readsorption (Reads.) using identical sample of previous run after overnight pumping of typically 15-21 hours at 14 mm diameter exit orifice. Uptake rate coefficient k_0 always measured at 1 mm \emptyset exit orifice

^c Desorption yield of 1.93 10¹⁶ molecule

^d Interpreted as mass transfer (solid diffusion) coefficient except for limonene where it may correspond to chemisorption (see text)

^e “Irreversible” and estimated “total” uptake on column 5 (from left)

^g Next morning values w/o *in situ* overnight pumping of sample

^h (Initial) kinetic values as well as uptake listed for the 14 mm orifice Ø

ⁱ Semivolatile uptake measured under condition of concurrent H₂O flow at saturation of substrate. Desorption of H₂O and semivolatile organic is concurrent, but only semivolatile desorption is systematically recorded

^j Sample pumped for 90 minutes at 14 mm Ø KFR before first H₂O exposure. Note the amount of spontaneous desorption exceeding 100% which indicates only partial dehydration during restricted pumping period

^k Sample pumped overnight (15-19 hrs.) at 14 mm Ø KFR before first H₂O exposure. Note the difference in H₂O uptake to S242

Table S2 : List of used semivolatile organics and some important molecular properties^a

Semivolatile organic compound	Sum formula	MW/g	Density ρ of pure liquid/g cm ⁻³	#/cm ² Molecule/ML
Menthol	C ₁₀ H ₂₀ O	156.3	0.890	2.28 10 ¹⁴
2-Methyl-pentanoate ethyl ester ethyl applinate	C ₈ H ₁₆ O ₂	144.2	0.860	2.35 10 ¹⁴
cis-3-Hexenylacetate (pipol acetate)	C ₈ H ₁₄ O ₂	142.2	0.876	2.40 10 ¹⁴
Benzylacetate	C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₂	150.2	1.054	2.62 10 ¹⁴
Toluene	C ₇ H ₈	92.1	0.865	3.18 10 ¹⁴
Limonene	C ₁₀ H ₁₆	136.2	0.841	2.40 10 ¹⁴
γ -Terpinene	C ₁₀ H ₁₆	136.2	0.850	2.43 10 ¹⁴

^a A rough approximation to the number of molecules cm⁻² to form a molecular monolayer is $(\rho N_A/MW)^{2/3}$ where ρ , N_A and MW are the molecular density at ambient temperature, Avogadro's number and molecular weight, respectively, and represents a limiting value to the true coverage in number of molecules cm⁻².

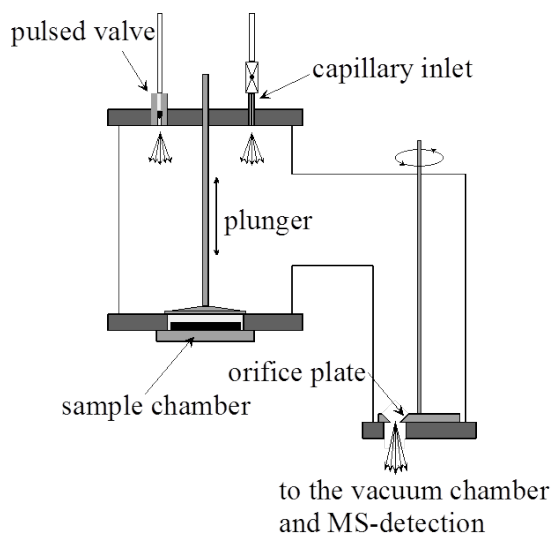


Figure S1: Essential Construction Elements of the two-chamber Knudsen Flow Reactor (KFR) used in the present study. Relevant geometric and kinetic parameters are listed in Table 1.