

# Products of Criegee Intermediate Reactions with NO<sub>2</sub>: Experimental Measurements and Tropospheric Implications

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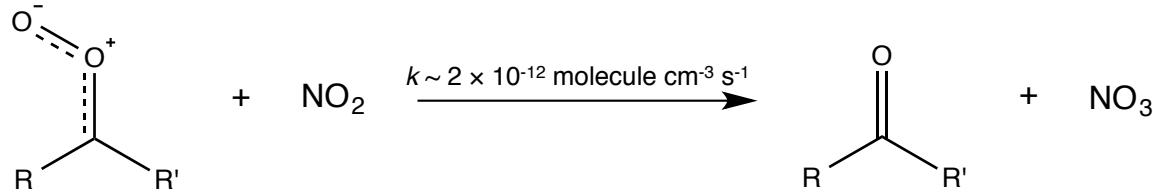
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# The Importance of Criegee + NO<sub>2</sub>



- In urban areas, which are typically rich in ozone, alkenes and NO<sub>x</sub>, this reaction could have a significant **impact on NO<sub>x</sub>/NO<sub>y</sub> budget**.
  - Up to **~22% of syn-acetaldehyde oxide removal** in high NO<sub>x</sub> mega-cities (Vereecken *et al.*)
  - Up to **~40 % of NO<sub>3</sub> yield** from the principal pathway, O<sub>3</sub> + NO<sub>2</sub> **assuming 100 % yield of NO<sub>3</sub> from the reaction**
- Laboratory observations of products somewhat conflicting
  - **Increase in acetone signal with NO<sub>2</sub> consumption** in an ozonolysis study of TME by Presto and Donahue.
  - **Decrease in formaldehyde/acetaldehyde/acetone signal with NO<sub>2</sub>** observed in photolytically-generated direct Criegee intermediate studies (Stone *et al.*, Taatjes *et al.* & Chhantyal-Pun *et al.*).
  - Evidence for NO<sub>3</sub> observed in the form of **N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>** (Ouyang *et al.*)
- Low NO<sub>3</sub> which **could be rationalized by side chemistry** (Lewis *et al.*)
$$\text{NO}_3 + \text{NO}_2 \rightleftharpoons \text{N}_2\text{O}_5$$



**To fully assess the impact of this reaction in the atmosphere, the products need to be understood.**

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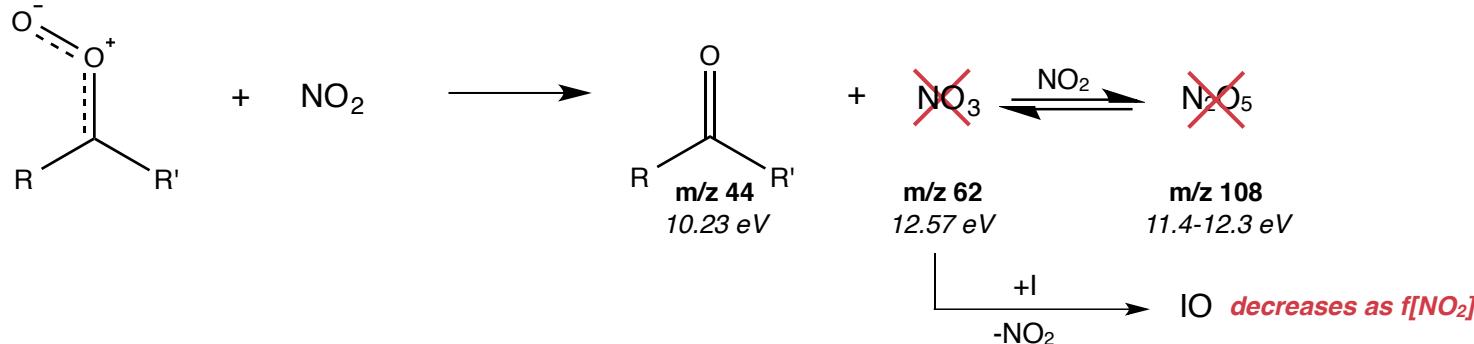
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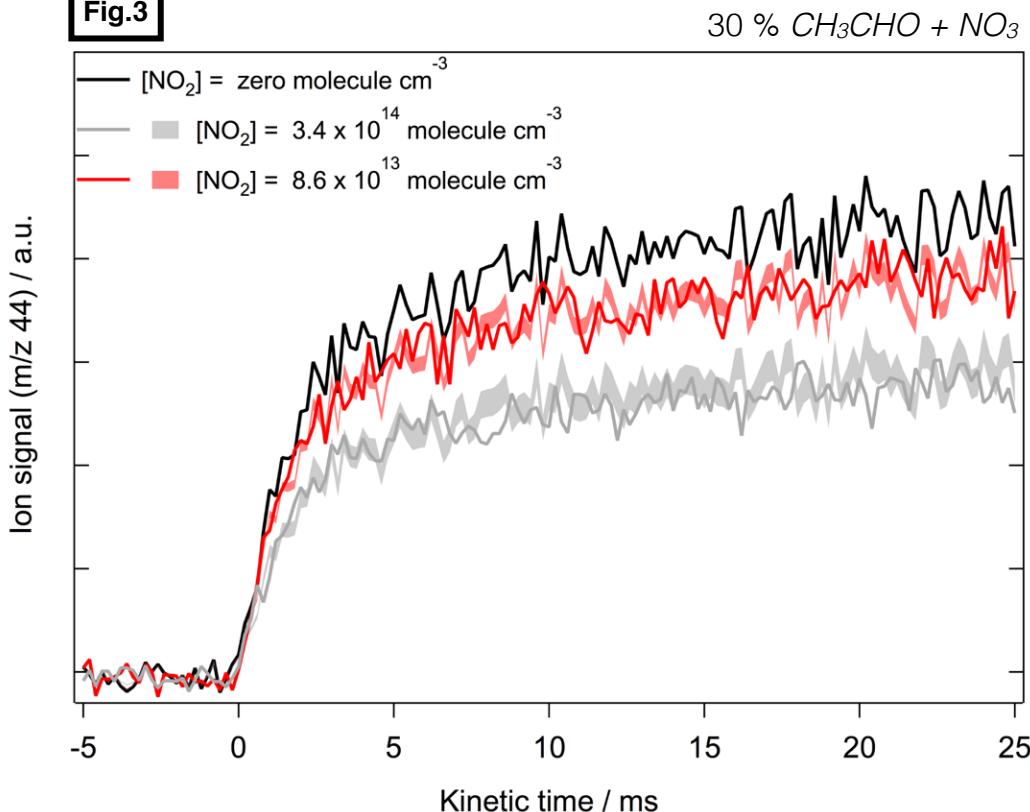
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# Products of Acetaldehyde Oxide + NO<sub>2</sub> : Acetaldehyde + NO<sub>3</sub>



- Do not observe NO<sub>3</sub> despite stable cation.
- Do not observe N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>.
- IO signal **decreases as function of [NO<sub>2</sub>]**, however IO is also produced from Criegee + I, so this is **inconclusive**.
- Acetaldehyde signal **decreases with increasing NO<sub>2</sub>**
- Model of signal as f[NO<sub>2</sub>] gives an **upper limit of ~30 % for NO<sub>3</sub> + acetaldehyde**.

Fig.3



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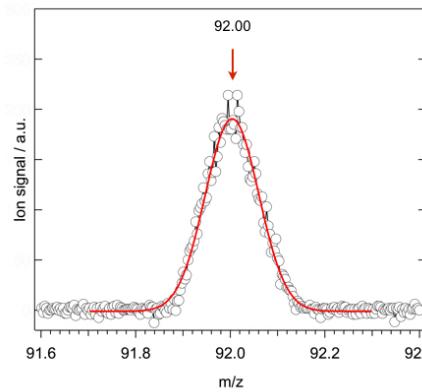
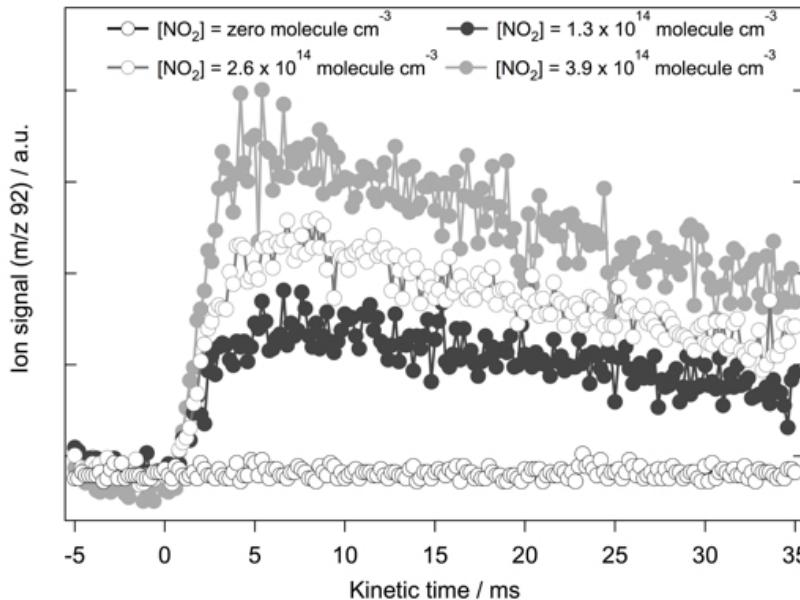
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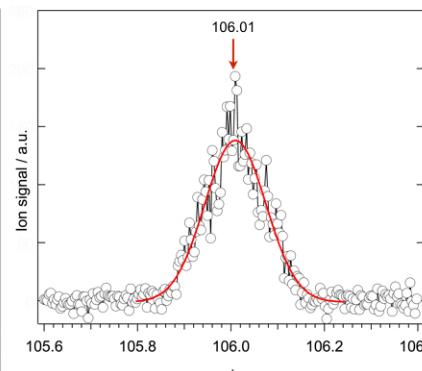
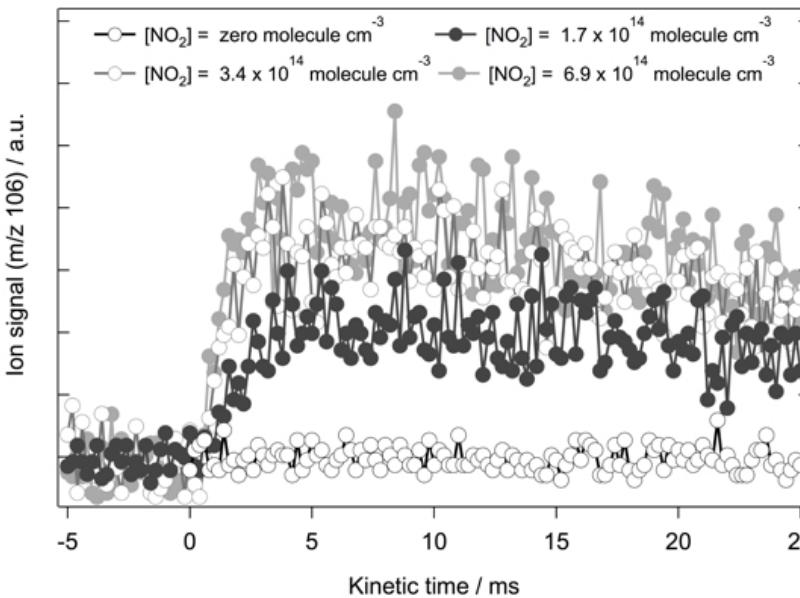
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# Products of Acetaldehyde Oxide + NO<sub>2</sub> : Adduct

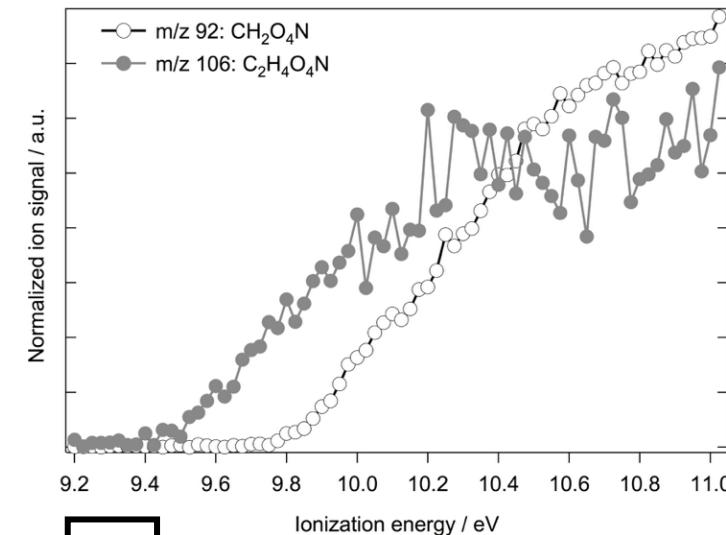


**Fig.6** Formaldehyde oxide + NO<sub>2</sub>  
30 Torr, 300 K, 10.5 eV



**Fig.7** Acetaldehyde oxide + NO<sub>2</sub>  
40 Torr, 300 K, 10.5 eV

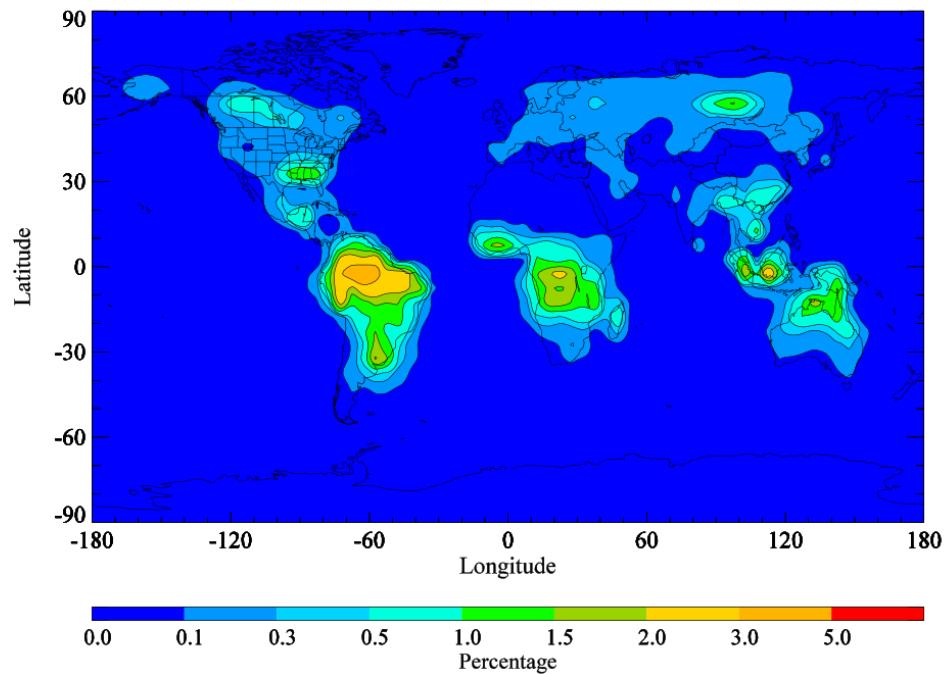
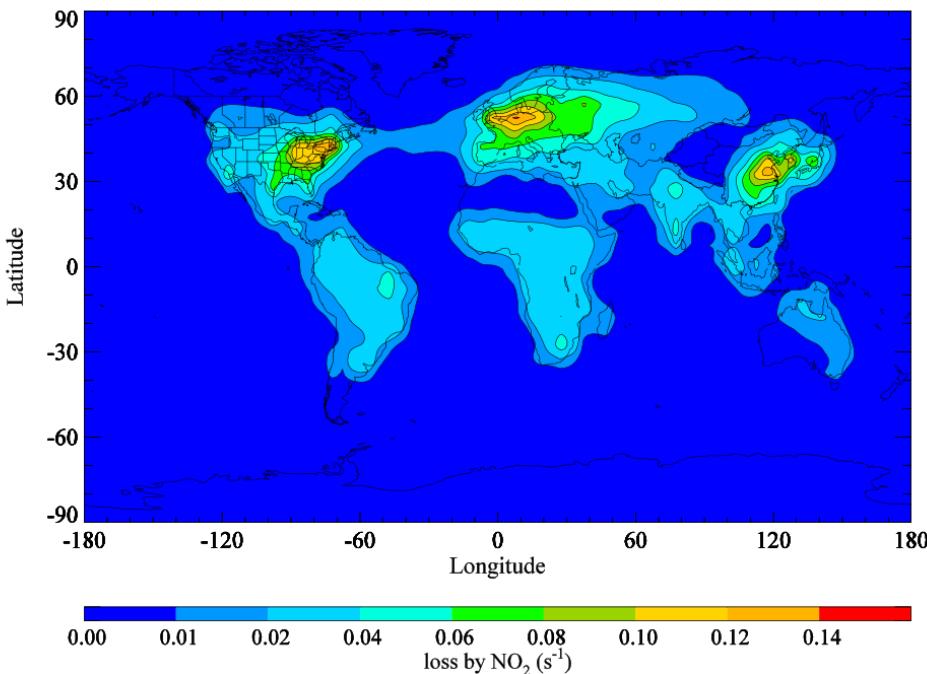
- Signal observed at m/z consistent with Criegee-NO<sub>2</sub> adduct chemical formulae (CH<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>N and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>N respectively)
- Signals are [NO<sub>2</sub>]- and time-dependent signals
- Experimental photoionization spectra allows comparison with calculated structures



**Fig.8**

# Atmospheric impact

Fig.12



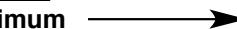
- Impact of Criegee +  $\text{NO}_2$  on Criegee intermediate global loss found to be minimal,  $<0.15 \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Impact largest around large cities in the northern hemisphere.
- Unimolecular loss represents a much greater loss still.
- Negligible impact on  $\text{NO}_3$  production compared to the principal production pathway ( $\text{O}_3 + \text{NO}_2$ ).
- Increase is found to be  $< 4 \%$  with a 100 % yield of  $\text{NO}_3$ .
- Accounting for the revised upper limit of  $\sim 30 \%$ , this effect will be lessened.

***To assess the true impact of this reaction on  $\text{NO}_3$ , the atmospheric fate and impact of the adduct needs to be understood***

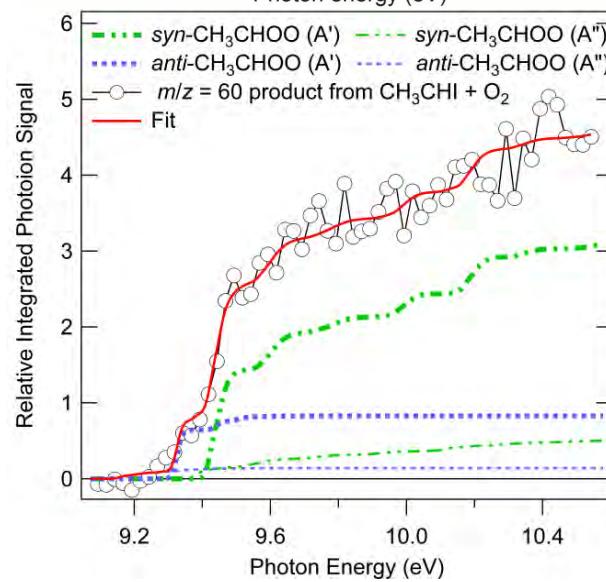
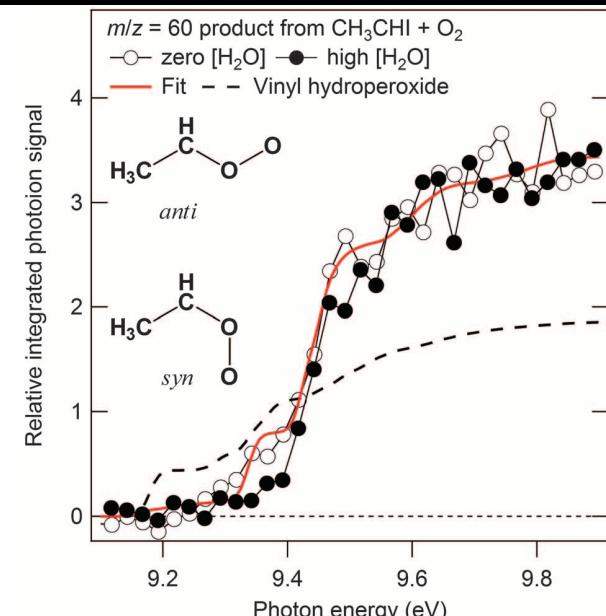
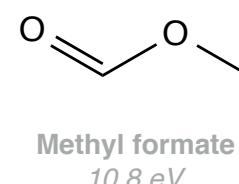
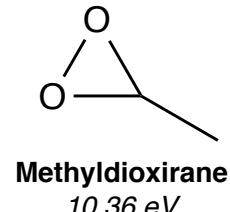
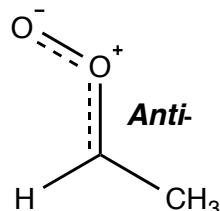
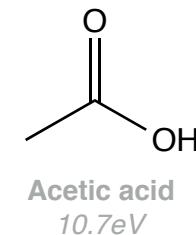
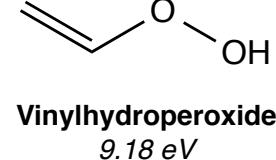
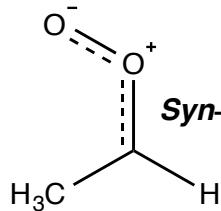
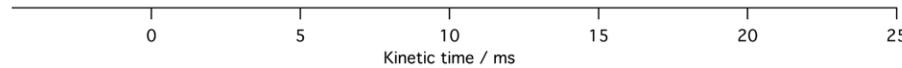
# Y-axis offset on Criegee Kinetic Trace due to Isomerization

Fig. 5

Maximum



Foot



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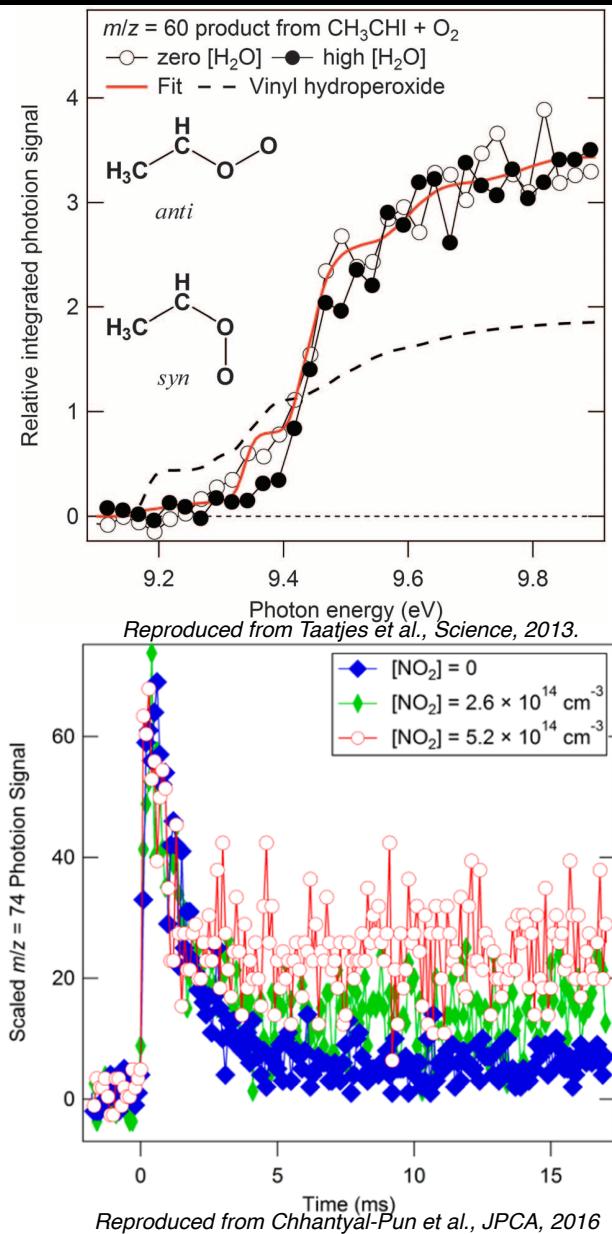
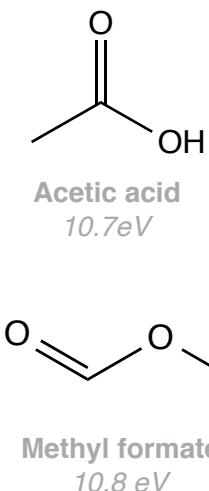
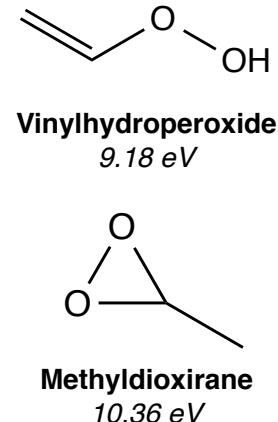
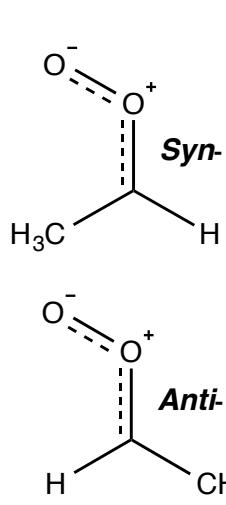
# No evidence of $\text{NO}_2$ -facilitated isomerization

Isomerization of Criegee Intermediates to various isomers would result in a **change in the kinetic profile** if a suitable photon energy is used for ionization.

Evidence for  $\text{NO}_2$  (and  $\text{SO}_2$ )-assisted isomerization of acetone oxide observed by Chhantyal-Pun *et al.*

Manifested in the long-time signal height (**foot**) of  $m/z$  74 increasing relative to the peak maximum as  $\text{f}[\text{NO}_2]$ .

Isomerization products characterized as 2-hydroperoxypropene and methyldioxirane

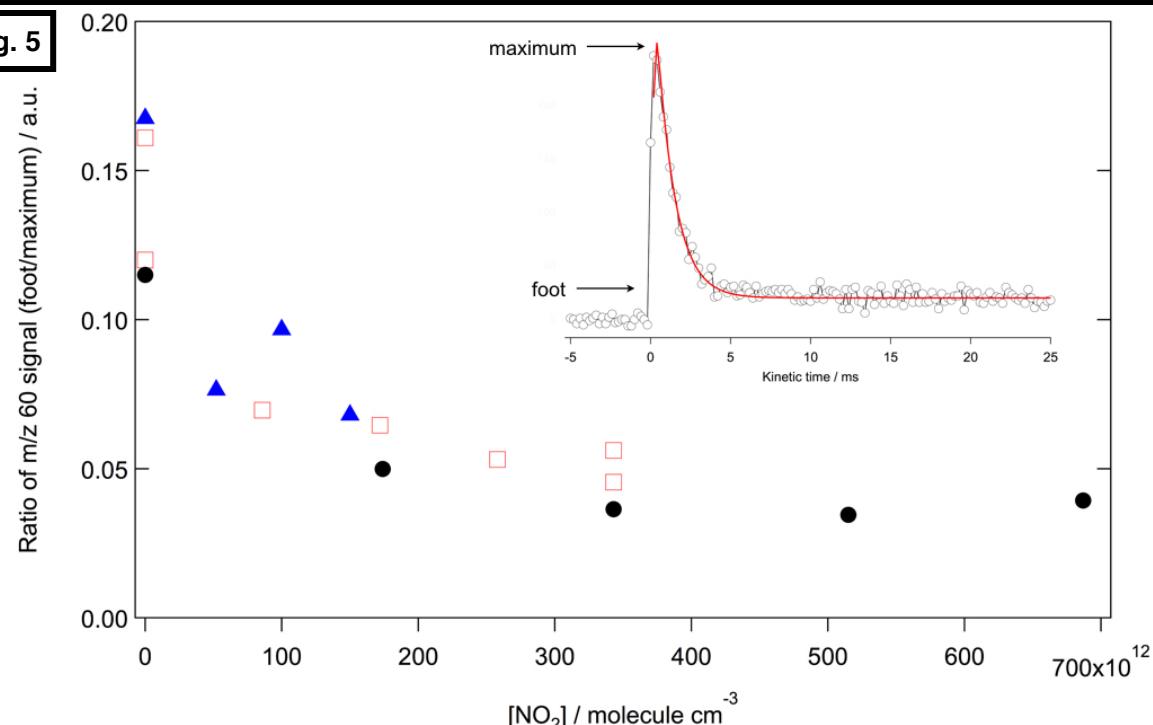


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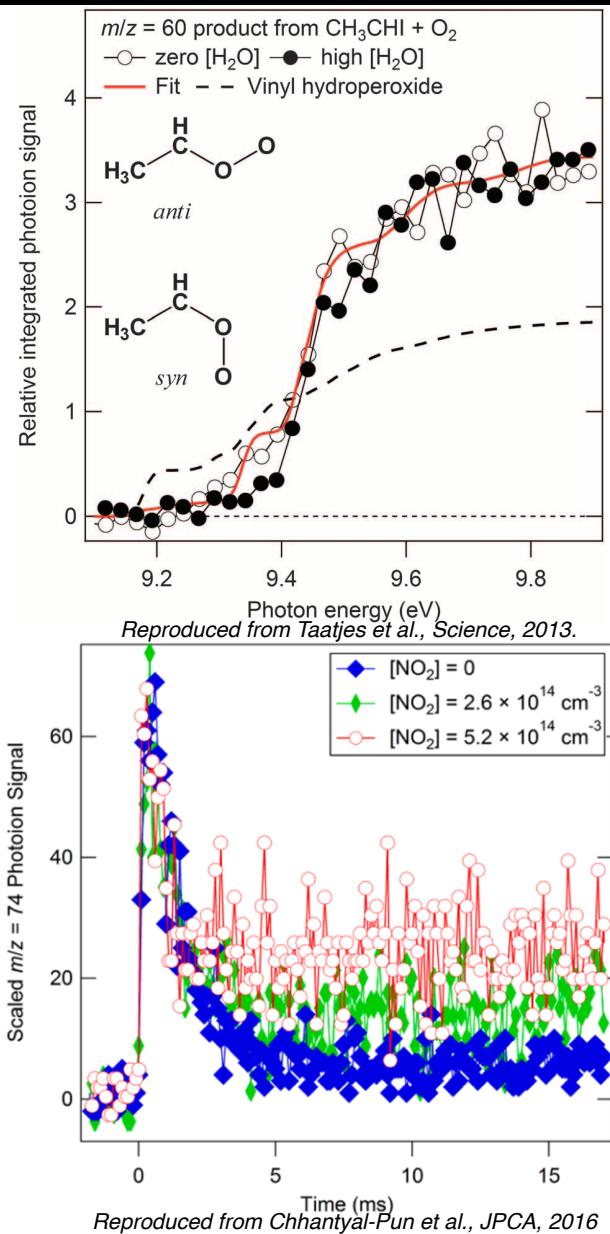


At 10.5 eV, we observe contributions to m/z 60 from *anti*- and *syn*-acetaldehyde oxide as well as vinyl hydroperoxide and methyl dioxirane.

A **positive** slope on a plot of (foot/maximum) vs. [NO<sub>2</sub>] would be indicative of **NO<sub>2</sub>-facilitated isomerization**.

Ratio of m/z 60 (foot/maximum) **decreases** as  $\text{f}[\text{NO}_2]$  over the entire pressure range (4-40 Torr).

**No evidence of substantial NO<sub>2</sub>-facilitated isomerization for acetaldehyde oxide.**



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# Model for CH<sub>3</sub>CHO signal

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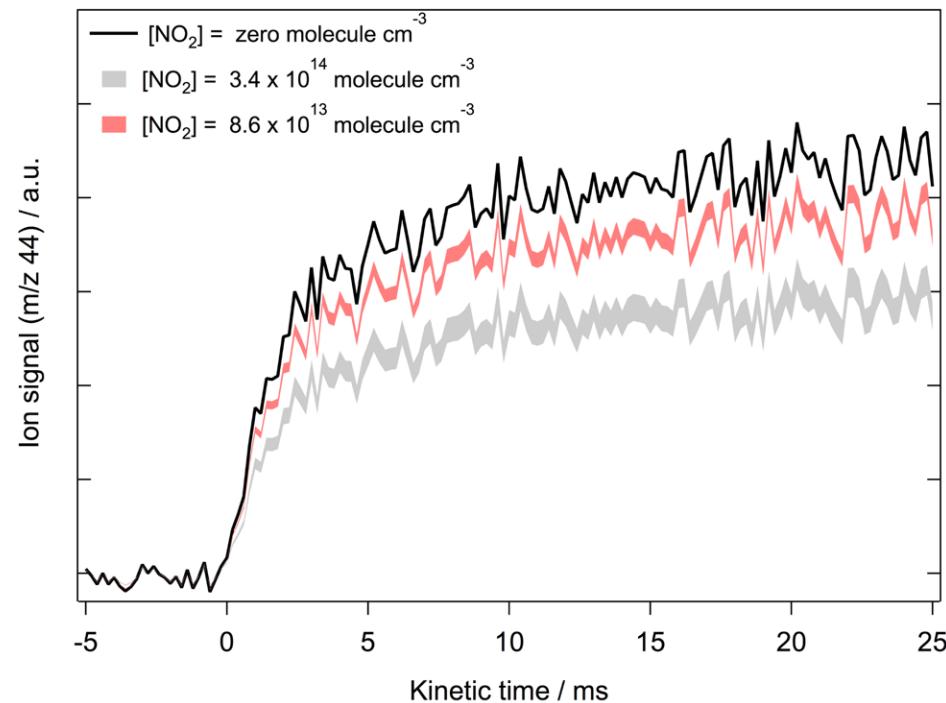
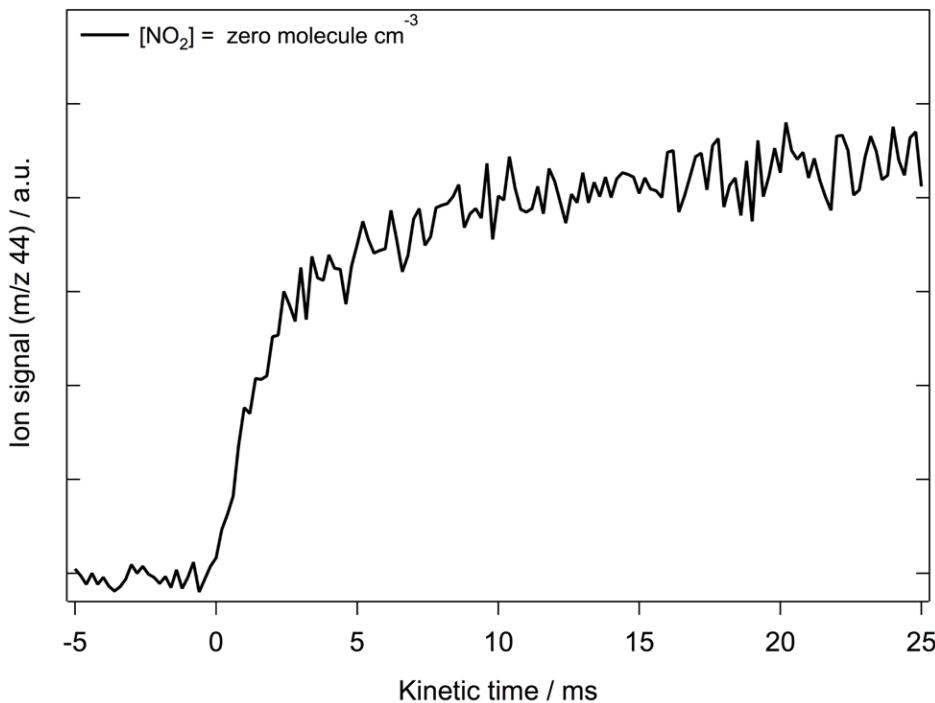
$$\% \text{ CI Loss due to reaction} = (k'_{\text{NO}_2} / (k'_{\text{NO}_2} + k'_{\text{intercept}})) \times 100.$$

The anticipated signal can be calculated by the following:

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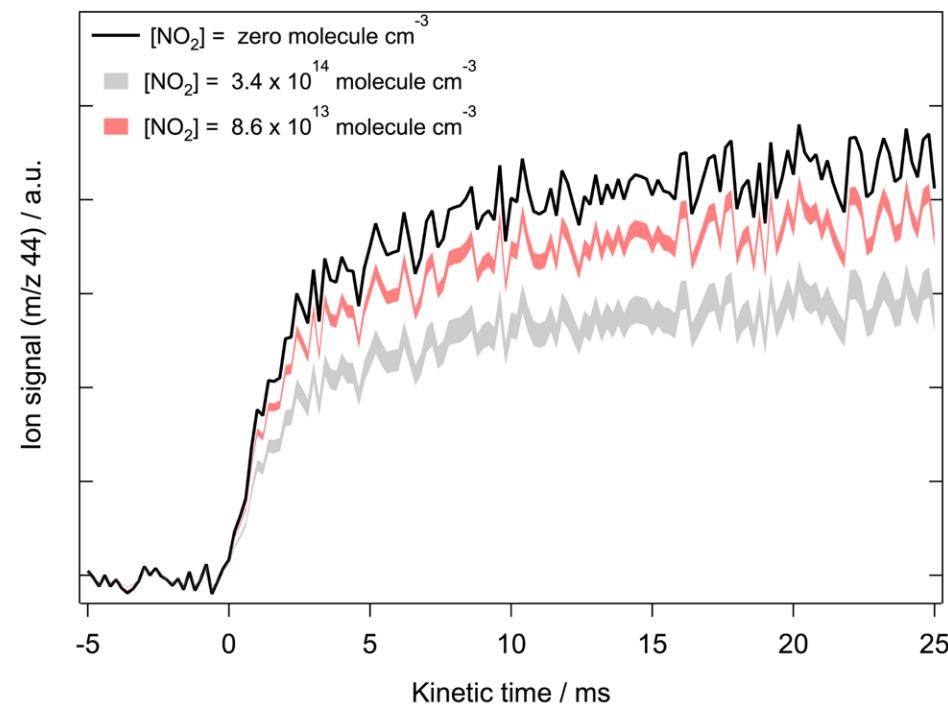
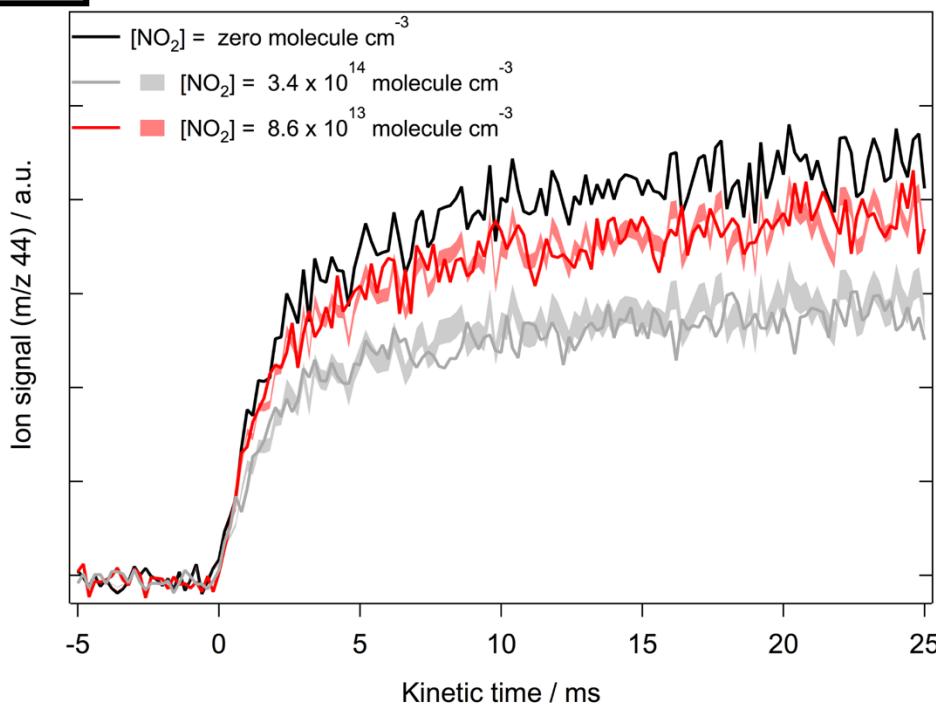
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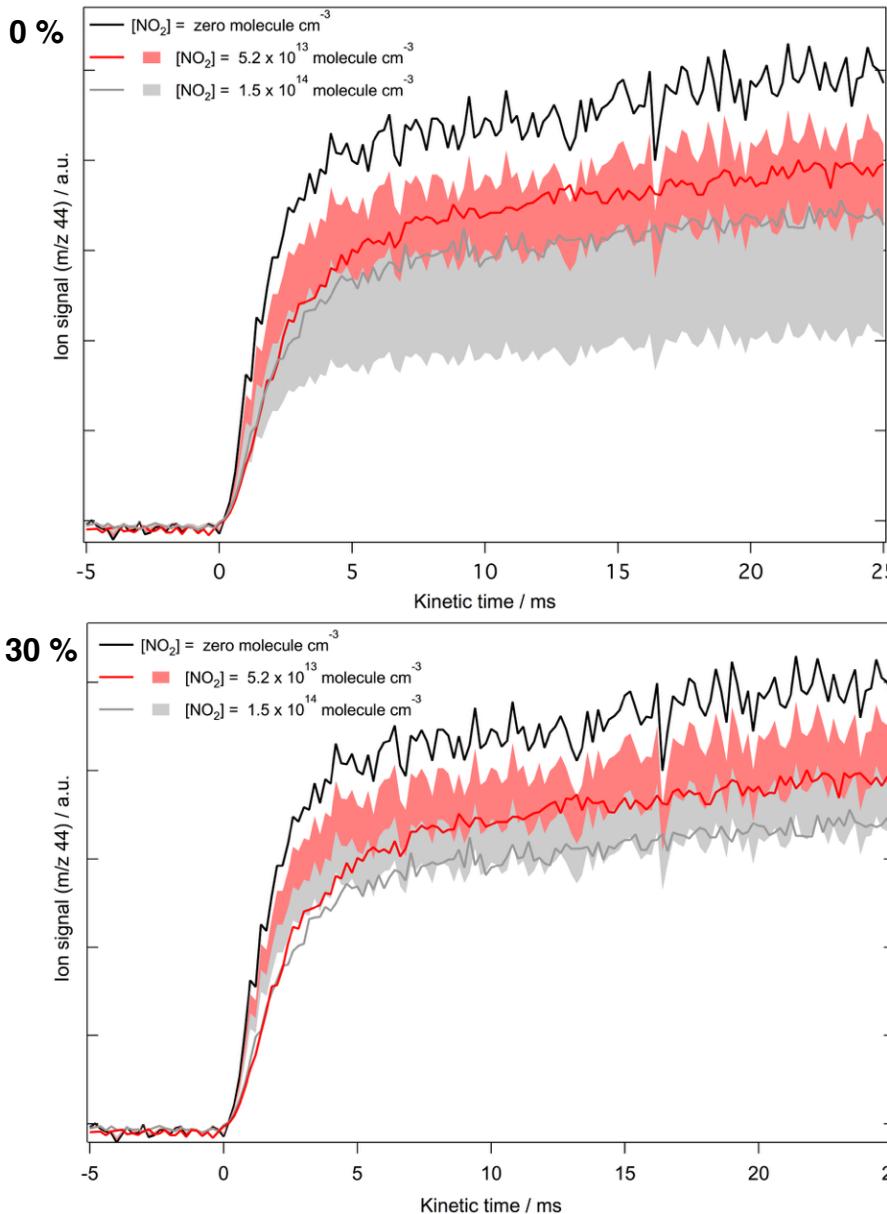
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Fig.3

30 %  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHO} + \text{NO}_3$



# $P$ -dependence of $\text{CH}_3\text{CHO} + \text{NO}_3$ : 4 Torr



If the branching ratio of Criegee +  $\text{NO}_2$  is pressure dependent, the bimolecular channel will have the highest yield at lower pressures.

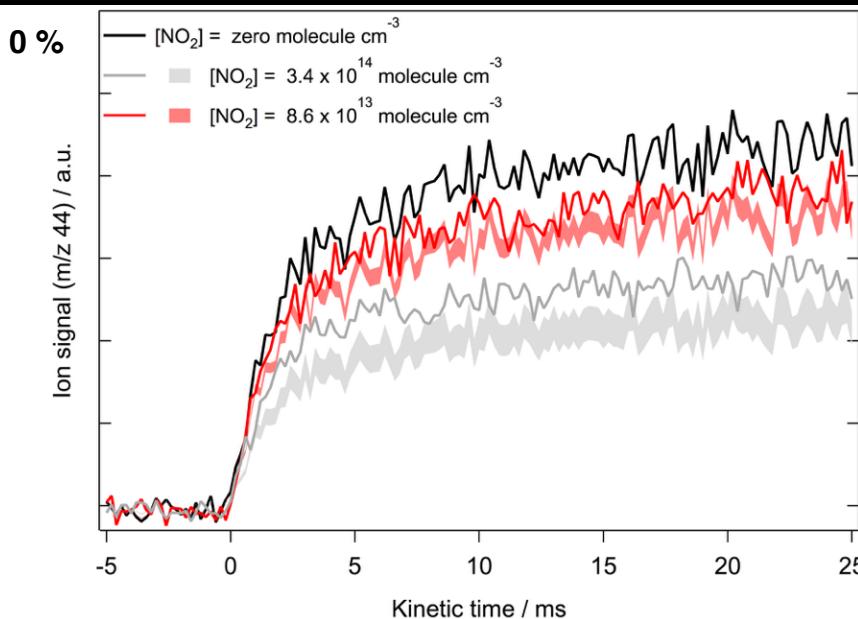
The **yield of Criegee from  $\text{RCR}'\text{I} + \text{O}_2$  is higher (68-99 % for C1 at 4 Torr  $\text{N}_2$ ) at lower pressures**: Side chemistry from  $\text{RCR}'\text{IOO} + \text{I} \rightarrow \text{RCR}'\text{O} + \text{IO} + \text{I}$  is minimized.

However, the **error on our bimolecular rate coefficient is larger** and so the error bands on the corresponding predicted acetaldehyde signals in the presence of  $\text{NO}_2$  are larger.

**~0-30 % yield** simulates the experimental data well at 4 Torr.

# $P$ -dependence of $\text{CH}_3\text{CHO} + \text{NO}_3$ : 20 Torr

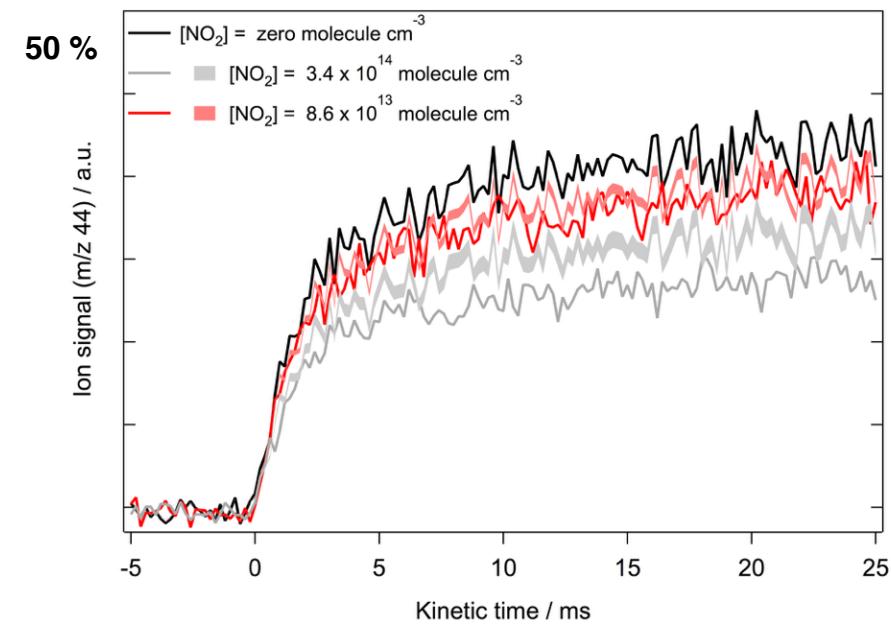
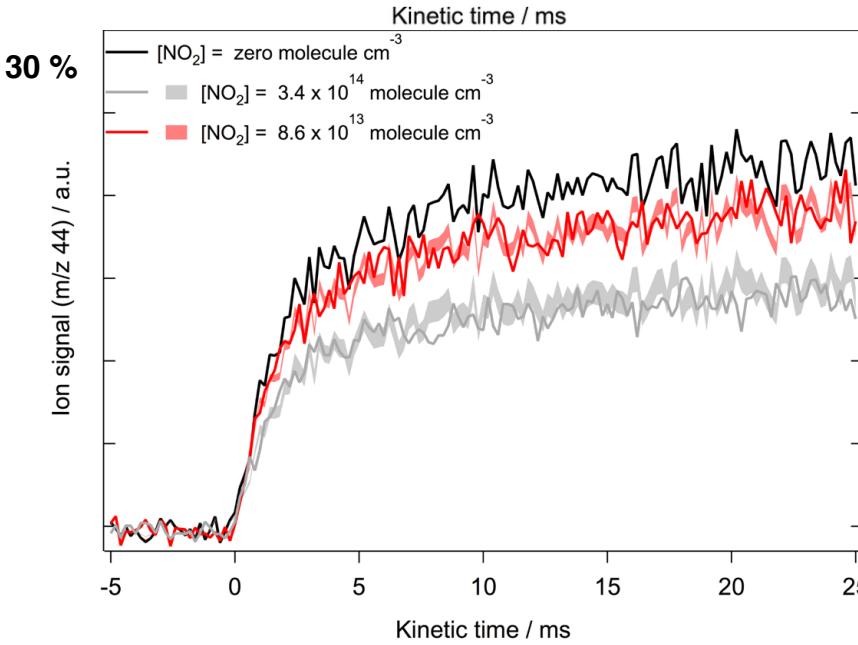
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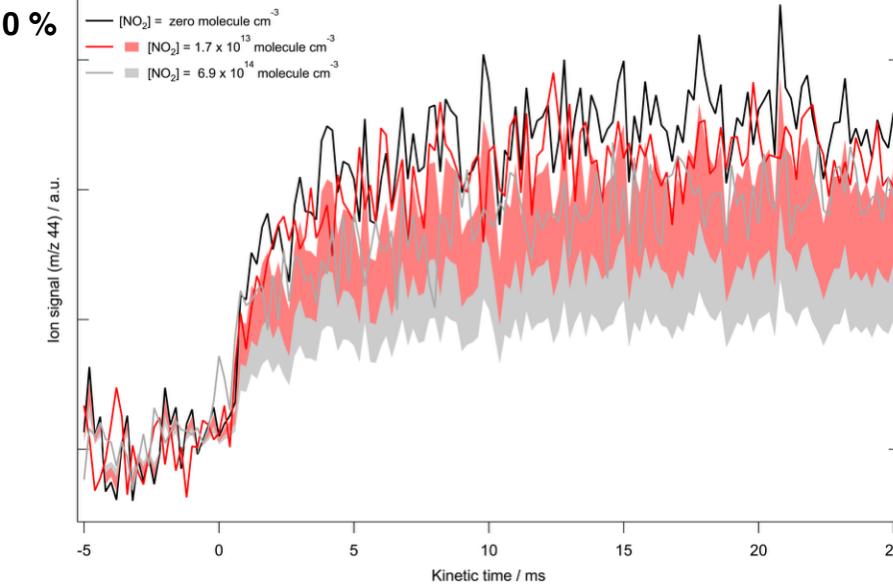
The **yield of Criegee from  $\text{RCR}'\text{I} + \text{O}_2$  is slightly lower at 20 Torr (67-93 % for C1 at 20 Torr  $\text{N}_2$ ) at lower pressures**: Side chemistry from  $\text{RCR}'\text{IOO} + \text{I} \rightarrow \text{RCR}'\text{O} + \text{IO} + \text{I}$  is more relevant, we do not attempt to account for this.

~30 % yield simulates the experimental data well at 20 Torr.



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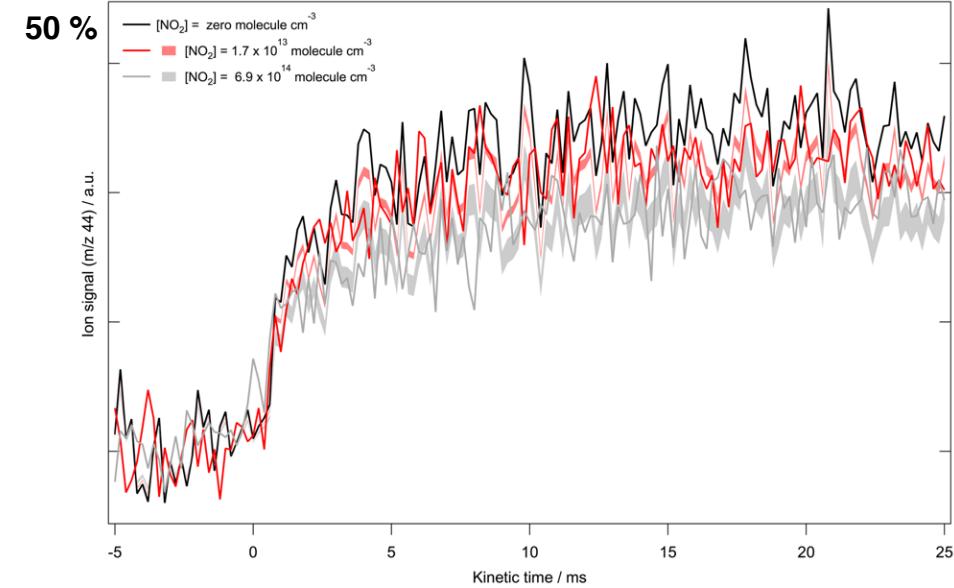
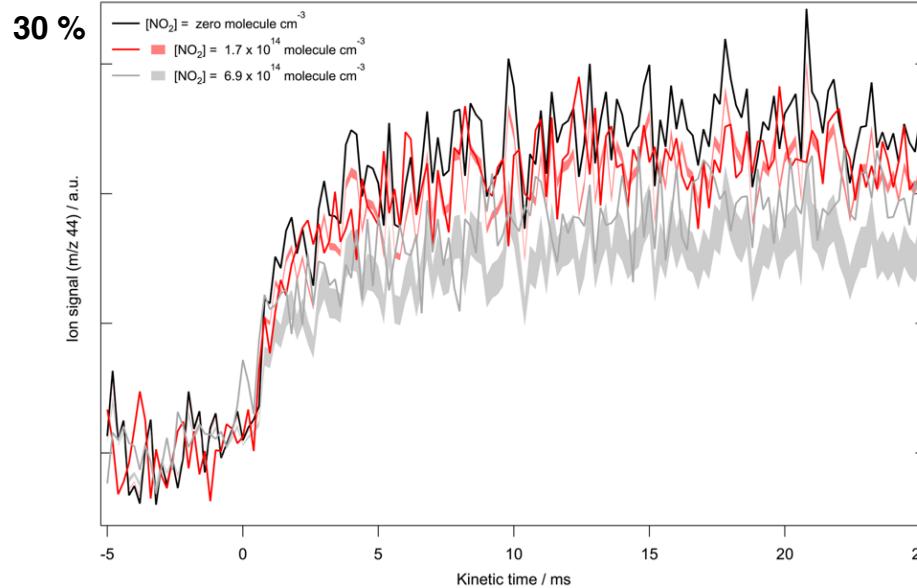
# *P*-dependence of CH<sub>3</sub>CHO + NO<sub>3</sub>: 40 Torr



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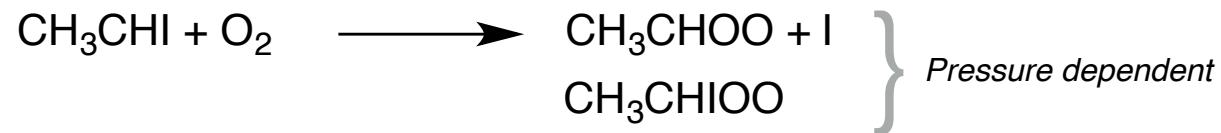
The **yield of Criegee from RCR'I + O<sub>2</sub> is slightly lower at 20 Torr (64-86 % for C1 at 40 Torr N<sub>2</sub>) at lower pressures**: Side chemistry from RCR'IOO + I → RCR'O + IO + I is more relevant, we do not attempt to account for this.

~30-50 % yield simulates the experimental data well at 40 Torr.

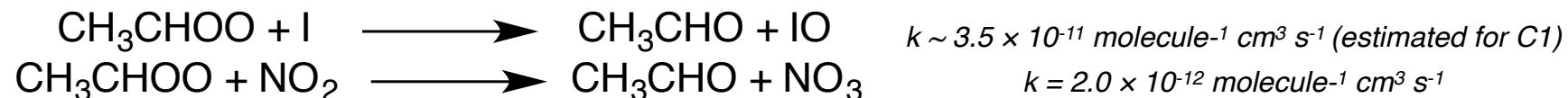


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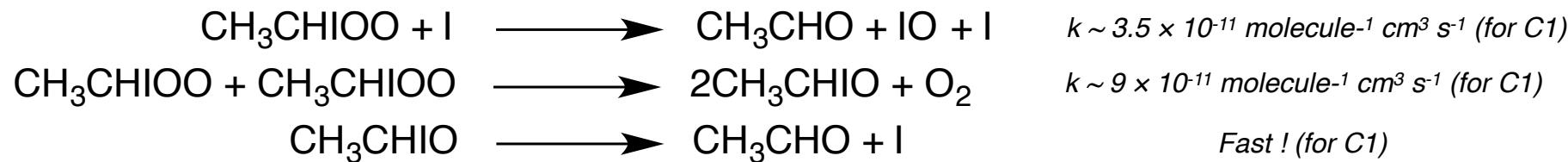
# Sources of CH<sub>3</sub>CHO



## 1. Reactions of Criegee



## 2. Reactions of iodoalkylperoxy



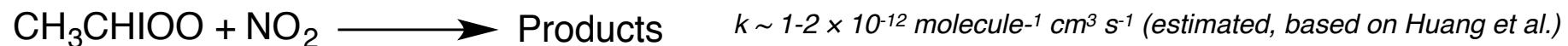
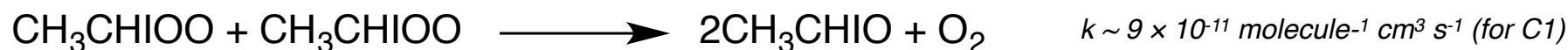
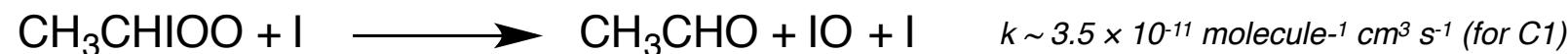
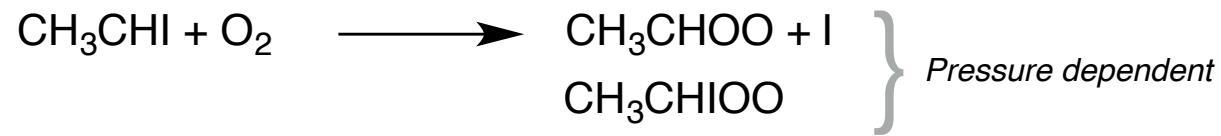
*Not accounted for in our acetaldehyde model, will contribute more at higher pressures.*

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# Sinks of $\text{CH}_3\text{CHIOO}$



$[\text{NO}_2] \sim 10^{14} \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ cm}^3$  &  $[\text{I}] \sim 10^{13} \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ cm}^3$

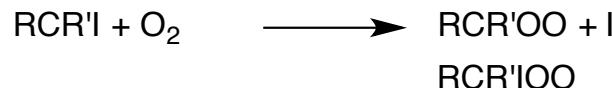
Reactions of  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHIOO}$  these species will be competitive with one another

# Ruling Out Side Chemistry in Adduct Formation

- How do we know that the m/z 106 & m/z 92 signals are indeed from Criegee + NO<sub>2</sub> and not side chemistry ?



- Iodoalkylperoxy (RCR'IOO) occurs from the reaction of iodoalkyl (RCR'I) with O<sub>2</sub> and is in competition with Criegee formation.

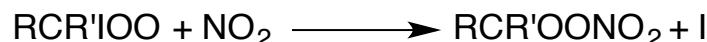


- The yield of formaldehyde oxide from iodoalkyl + O<sub>2</sub> was investigated by Stone *et al.* At 4 Torr (N<sub>2</sub>) 64-99 % is achieved, and at 40 Torr (N<sub>2</sub>), 64-86 %.
- At higher pressures the reactions of iodoalkylperoxy radicals will be more pertinent as their yields are enhanced.
- Estimated rate coefficient for iodoalkylperoxy radicals with NO<sub>2</sub> by Stone *et al.* is on the order of the Criegee + NO<sub>2</sub> rate coefficient measured in this and previous work.

***Kinetics alone cannot rule out their contribution to m/z 106 and m/z 92.***



Calculate onset energy of the DI



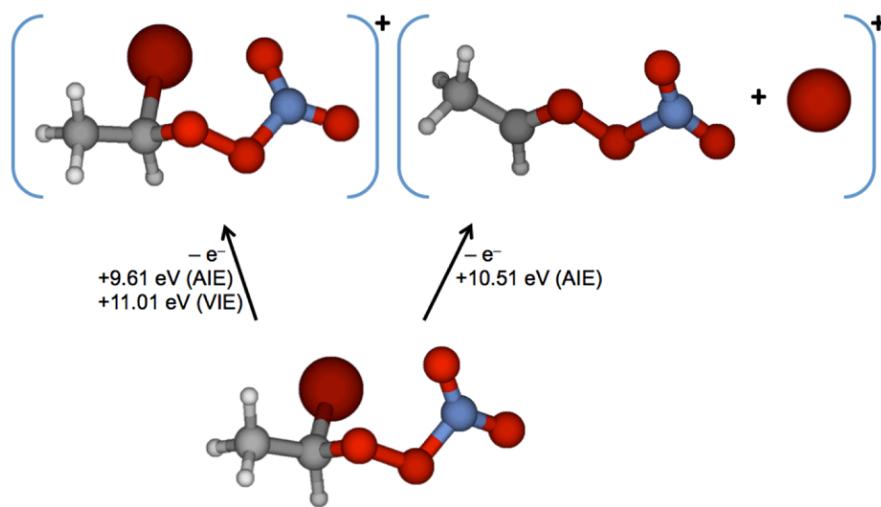
Use a chemical 'scrubber' for Criegees and examine the change in the signal

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# Ruling Out Side Chemistry in Adduct Formation: Ionization energy calculations

Fig.10

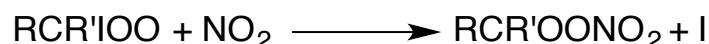
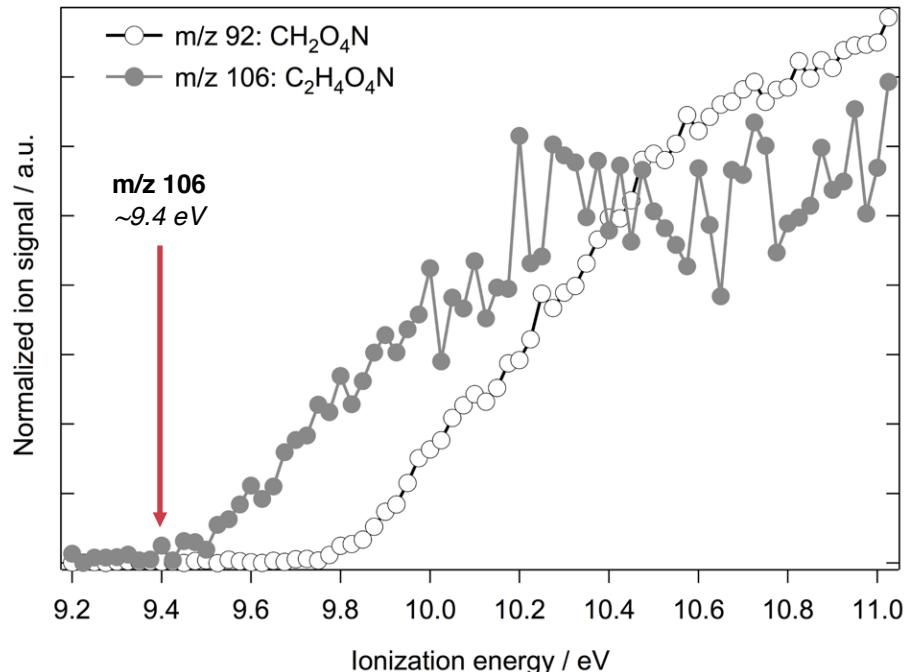


Unlikely that dissociative ionization of  $R_1CR_2IOONO_2$  leads to the observed signal at the Criegee-NO<sub>2</sub> adduct mass.

IE of  $m/z$  106 DI is 10.51 eV → Far above 9.4 eV experimental observation

~<0.2 eV error in the calculated ionization energies from  $\omega$ B97XD/ADZP.

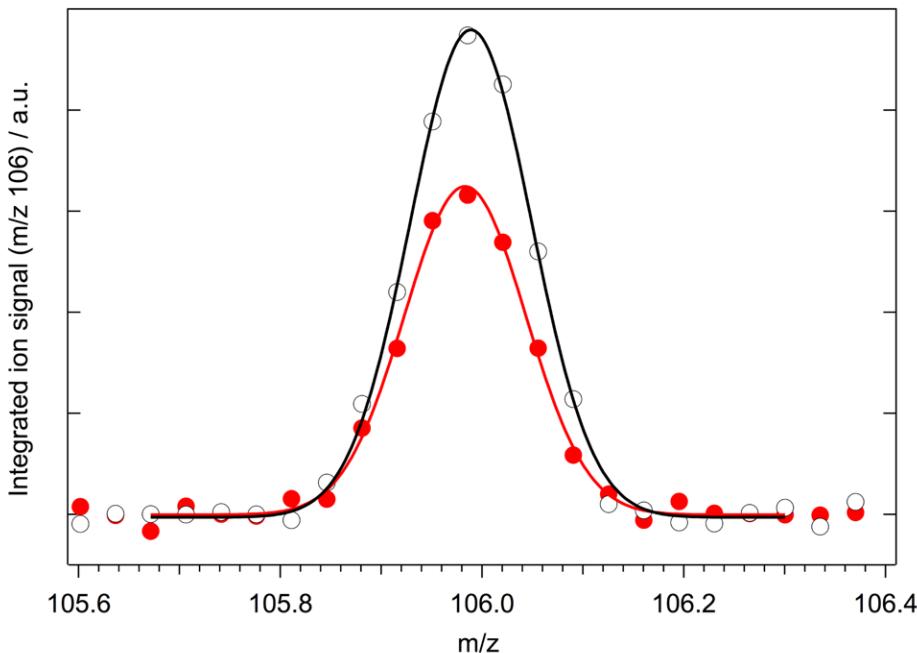
Fig.8



Use a chemical 'scrubber' for Criegees and examine the change in the signal

# Ruling Out Side Chemistry in Adduct Formation: Addition of SO<sub>2</sub>

Fig.11



Acetaldehyde oxide + NO<sub>2</sub> measurements also performed in the presence of SO<sub>2</sub>.

SO<sub>2</sub> + Criegee is very fast (*syn*-C2  $2.9 \times 10^{-11}$  molecule<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) so would act as a **scrubber for Criegees, removing them before they can react with NO<sub>2</sub>**.

CH<sub>2</sub>IOO + SO<sub>2</sub> recently found to be rapid by Huang *et al.* ( $\sim 1-2 \times 10^{-12}$  molecule<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>), but a **factor of 10 slower than CH<sub>2</sub>OO + SO<sub>2</sub>**.

**Addition of SO<sub>2</sub> will remove both R<sub>1</sub>CR<sub>2</sub>OO and R<sub>1</sub>CR<sub>2</sub>IOO, but at sufficiently different rates that adduct origin can be determined by the amount of depletion in adduct signal.**

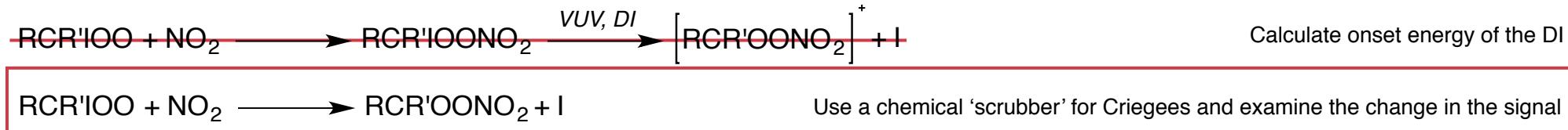
**Removal of CH<sub>3</sub>CHIOO by SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> anticipated to be equal, whereas removal of Criegee by SO<sub>2</sub> will be more effective by a factor of 10 (for *syn* - which we predominantly sample) or 100 (for *anti*).**

Rate of *syn*-C2 + NO<sub>2</sub> is 7% of *syn*-C2 + SO<sub>2</sub>: [SO<sub>2</sub>] at 7 % [NO<sub>2</sub>] used: 50 % of Criegee removal from each reaction.

If the adduct formation is due to **side chemistry SO<sub>2</sub> will have a negligible effect on the signal amplitude (~ 7%).**

**Adduct signal should be removed by ~ 50 % if due to Criegee + NO<sub>2</sub>.**

**Signal depleted by ~ 30 %: Suggests that the adduct is indeed substantially if not entirely from Criegee + NO<sub>2</sub> reaction.**



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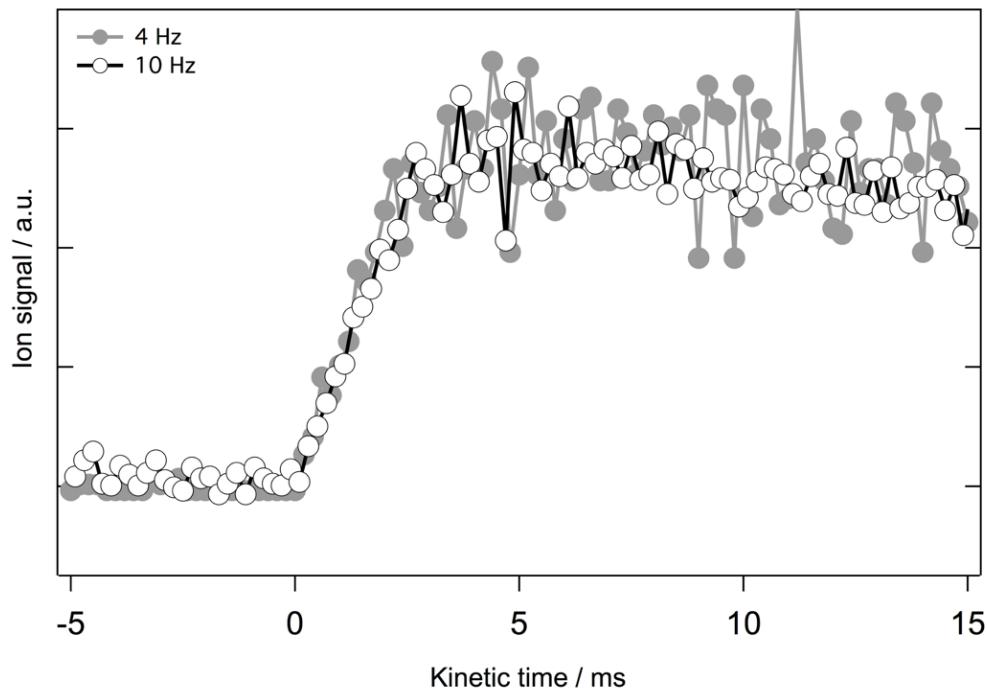
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# How we calculate [Criegee]

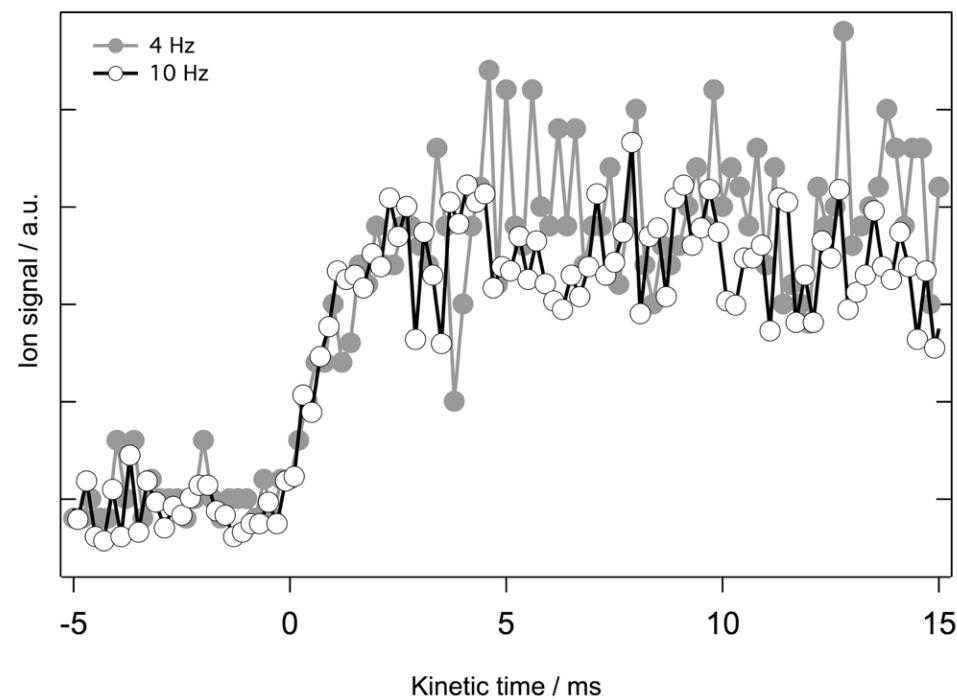
- The diiodoalkane Criegee precursor is delivered to the reactor via a bubbler backed by He through an MFC.
- From the vapor pressure of the precursor, the temperature and pressure and flow rate of the bubbler, the concentration of the diiodoalkane can be obtained.
- The non-background subtracted data are utilized to obtain the % depletion of the precursor on photolysis.
- $[O_2] \gg [\text{dioodoalkane}]$ , such that formation of Criegee intermediates from diodoalkyl +  $O_2$  is fast.
- The Criegee concentration is obtained using the concentration of the depleted precursor multiplied by the estimated yield of Criegee at a given pressure from diiodoalkyl +  $O_2$ . The pressure dependent yields of Criegee Intermediates for the formaldehyde oxide measured by Stone *et al.* were utilized.

# 4 Hz vs. 10 Hz

*m/z* 92 : Formaldehyde oxide +  $NO_2$ , 30 Torr, 300 K  
 $NO_2 = 3.9 \times 10^{14}$  molecule  $cm^3$

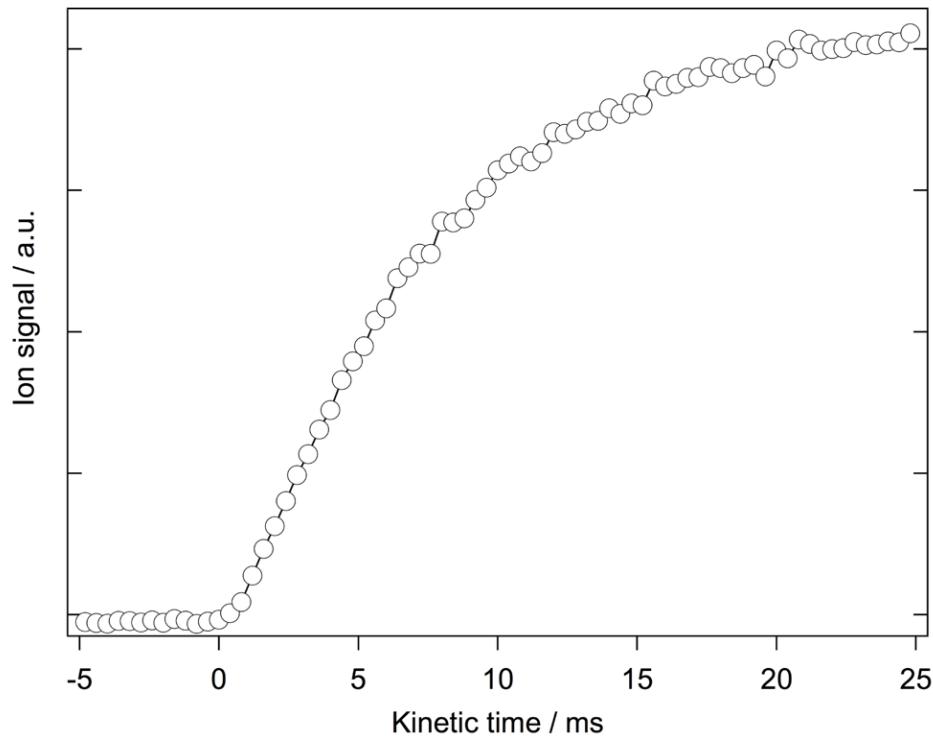


*m/z* 106 : Acetaldehyde oxide +  $NO_2$ , 40 Torr, 300 K  
 $NO_2 = 6.9 \times 10^{14}$  molecule  $cm^3$

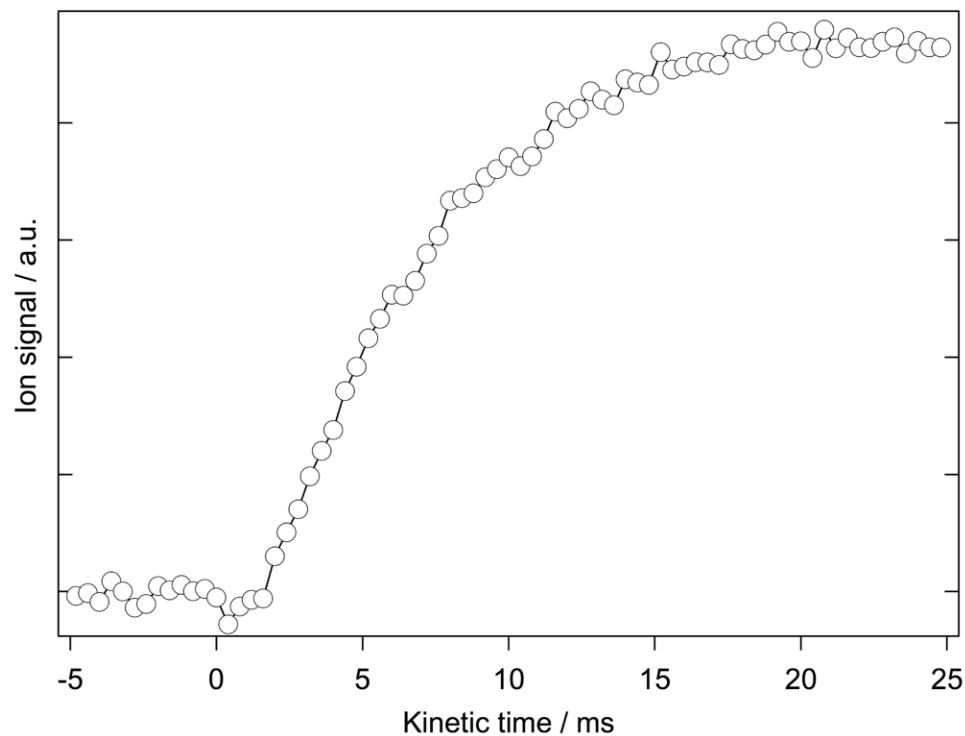


# $I_2$ signal (IE = 9.3074 eV)

*m/z* 254 : Formaldehyde oxide +  $NO_2$ , 40 Torr, 300 K, 9.2-9.45 eV  
 $NO_2 = 5.2 \times 10^{14}$  molecule  $cm^3$



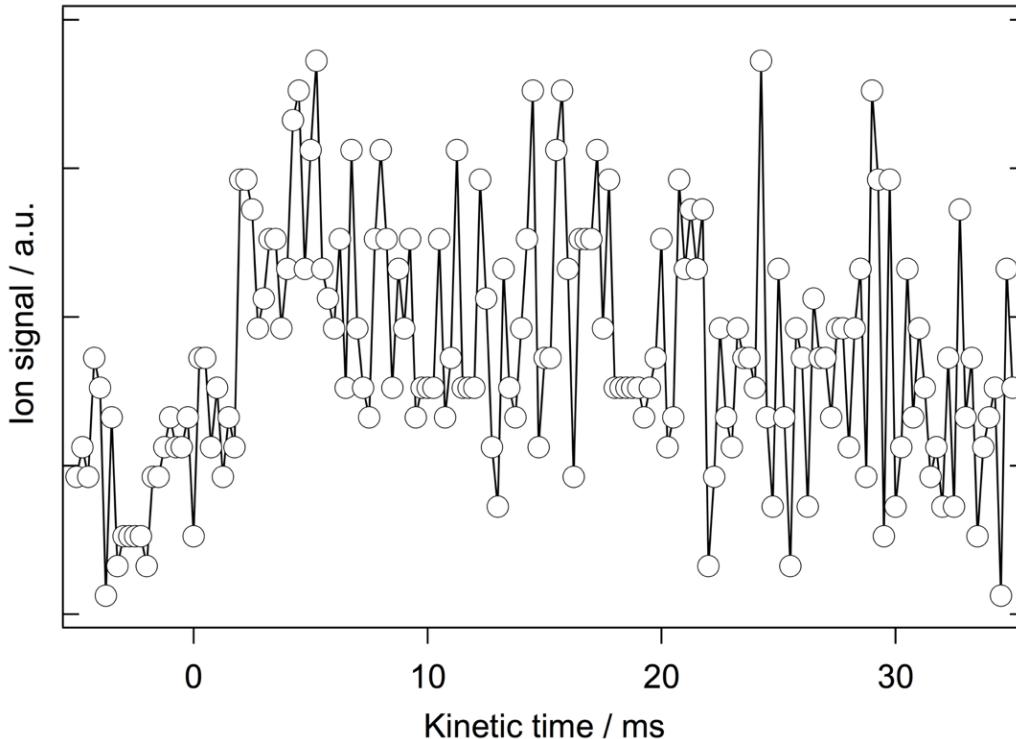
*m/z* 254 : Acetaldehyde oxide +  $NO_2$ , 40 Torr, 300 K, 9.2-9.45 eV  
 $NO_2 = 5.2 \times 10^{14}$  molecule  $cm^3$



**Non-instantaneous signal consistent with relatively slow recombination of I atoms rather than instantaneous production.**

# m/z 189 signal: IONO<sub>2</sub> ?

*m/z 189 : Formaldehyde oxide + NO<sub>2</sub>, 30 Torr, 300 K, 11.5 eV*  
 $NO_2 = 3.9 \times 10^{14}$  molecule cm<sup>-3</sup>



**IONO<sub>2</sub> (m/z 189) can be made either from IO + NO<sub>2</sub>, or I<sub>2</sub> + NO<sub>3</sub>.**

I<sub>2</sub> + NO<sub>3</sub> second order rate coefficient is  $1.5 \times 10^{-12}$  molecule<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> but this is **limited by the formation of I<sub>2</sub> from I atom recombination**.

IO + NO<sub>2</sub> effective second order rate coefficient  $\sim 3 \times 10^{-13}$  molecule<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> at 30 Torr of He, 300 K. [NO<sub>2</sub>] =  $3.9 \times 10^{14}$ .

I + I effective second order rate coefficient  $\sim 3 \times 10^{-15}$  molecule<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> at 30 Torr of He, 300 K. From the % depletion of CH<sub>2</sub>I<sub>2</sub>, the maximum I atom concentration is going to be  $\sim 6 \times 10^{13}$  molecule cm<sup>-3</sup>. The **maximum NO<sub>3</sub> concentration will be less than this**.

Given the bimolecular rate coefficient for the NO<sub>2</sub> reaction, and the NO<sub>2</sub> concentration are significantly greater than for I + I, **IO + NO<sub>2</sub> is more likely to be the contributing factor to the m/z 189 signal, if it is indeed IONO<sub>2</sub>**.

**No absolute PI spectrum of IONO<sub>2</sub>: Cannot quantify it.**

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I + I: D. Baulch, J. Duxbury, S. Grant and D. Montague, *J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data*, 1981, 10.

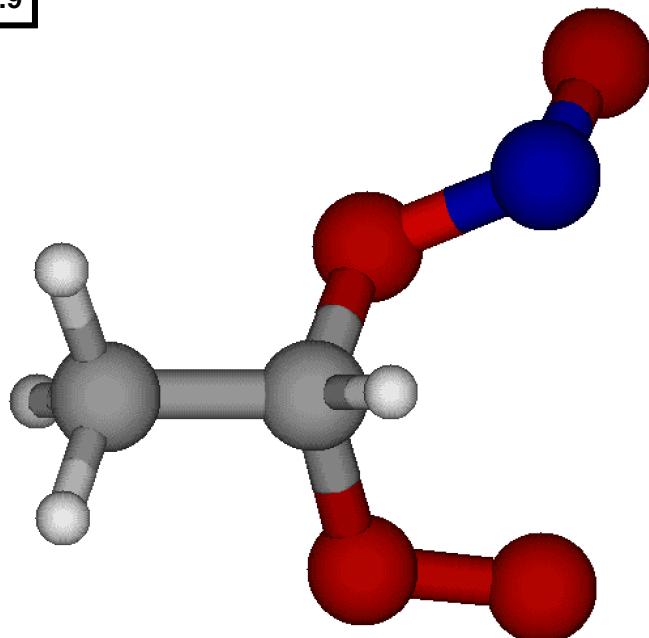
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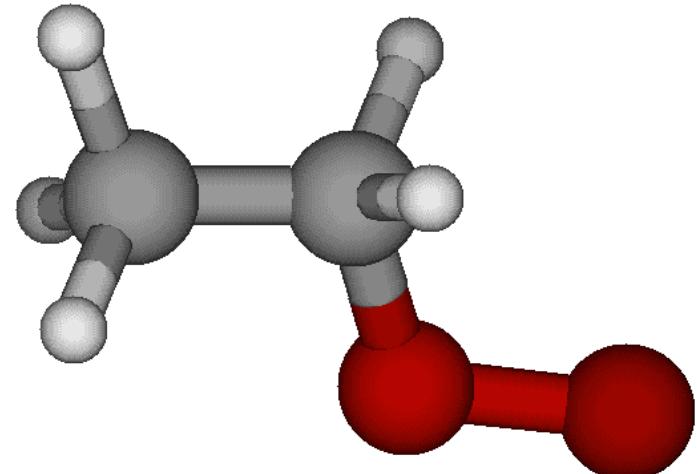
# Geometry comparison between the lowest energy adduct structure and ROO

Fig.9



**Isomer # 3**

$r(\text{O}-\text{O}) = 1.30 \text{ \AA}$   
 $r(\text{C}-\text{O}) = 1.46 \text{ \AA}$   
 $a(\text{O}-\text{O}-\text{C}) = 111.56^\circ$

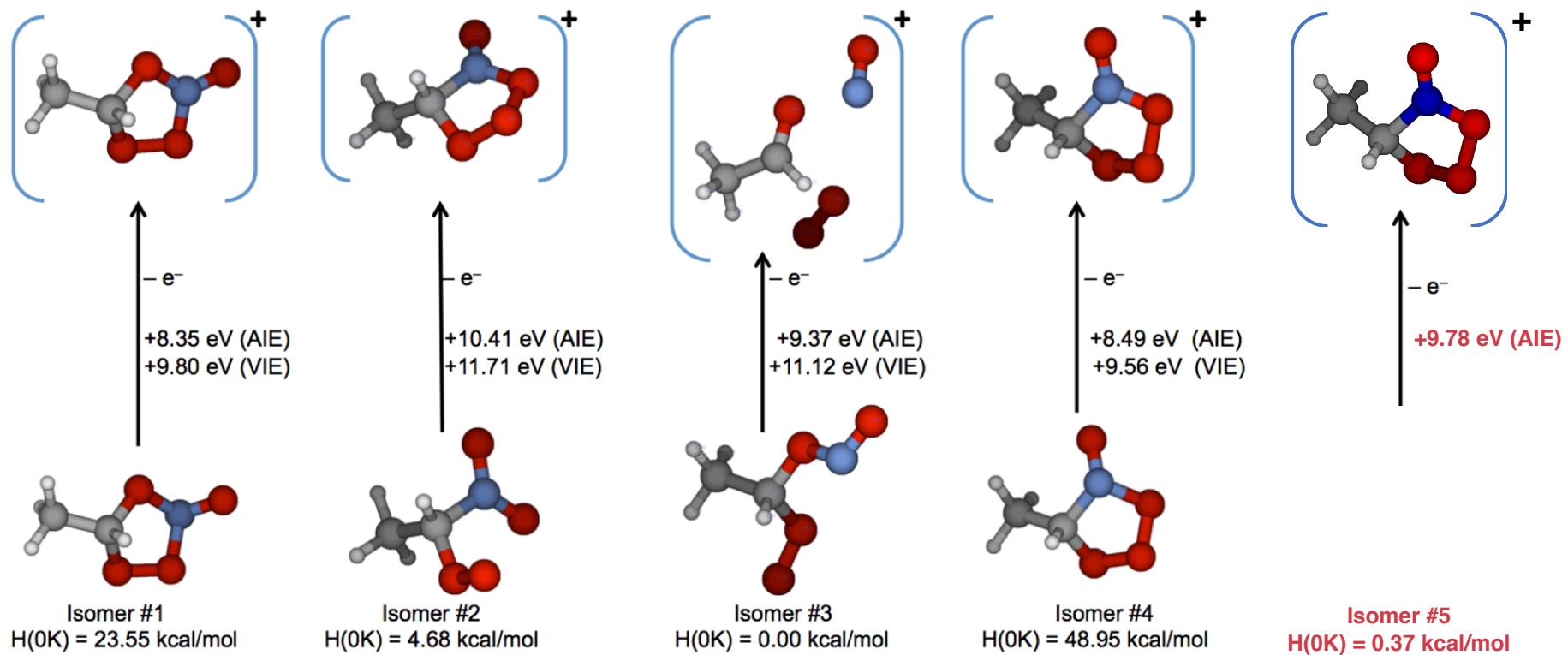


**Equivalent ROO (H rather than  $\text{NO}_2$ )**

$r(\text{O}-\text{O}) = 1.30 \text{ \AA}$   
 $r(\text{C}-\text{O}) = 1.45 \text{ \AA}$   
 $a(\text{O}-\text{O}-\text{C}) = 111.99^\circ$

# Adduct isomer #5

Fig.9



# Do all conformers of adduct #3 dissociatively ionize ? - Yes

Relaxed scan of conformers of isomer #3 from 0-9.2 kcal/mol relative energy demonstrates all of these conformers dissociatively ionize

