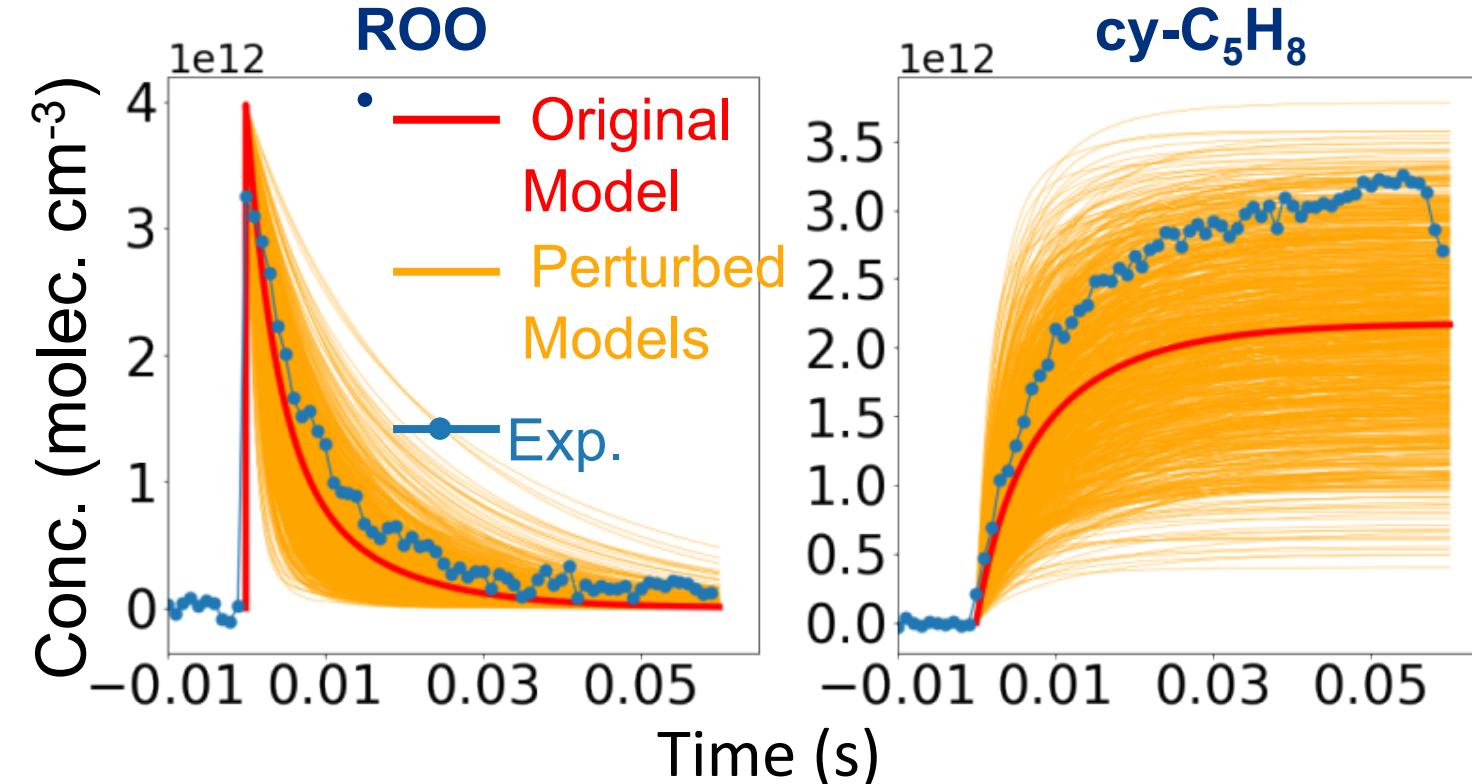
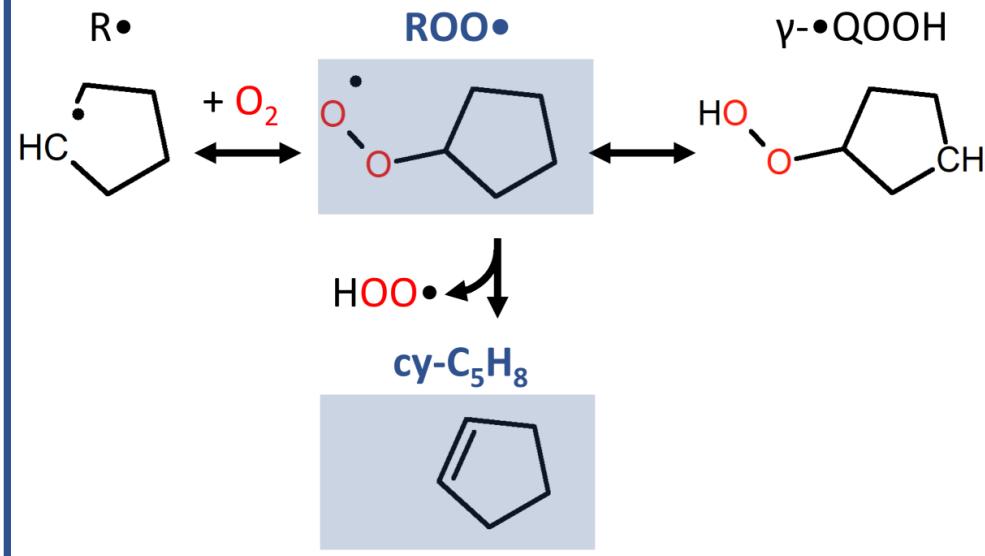


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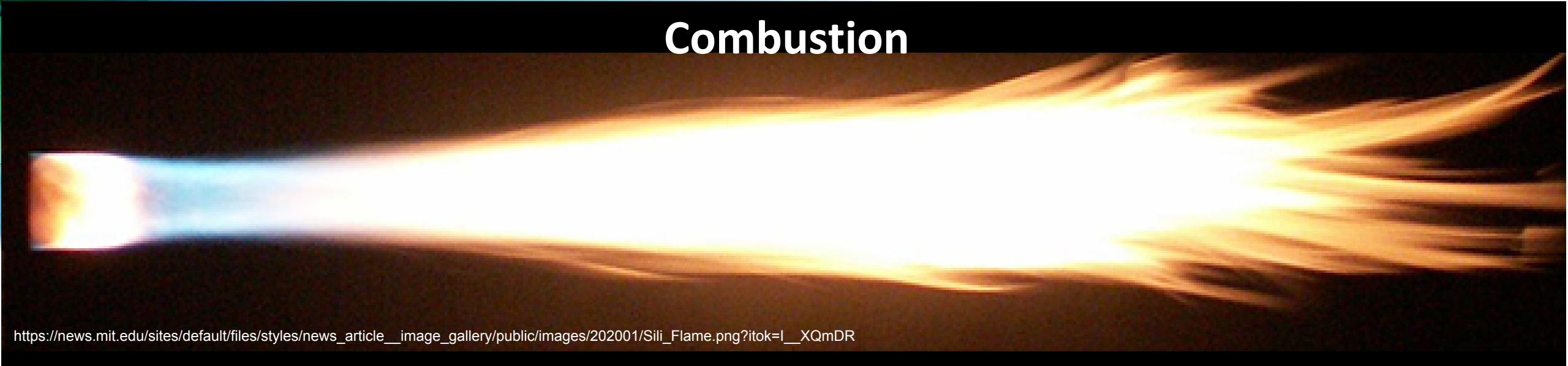
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Combustion



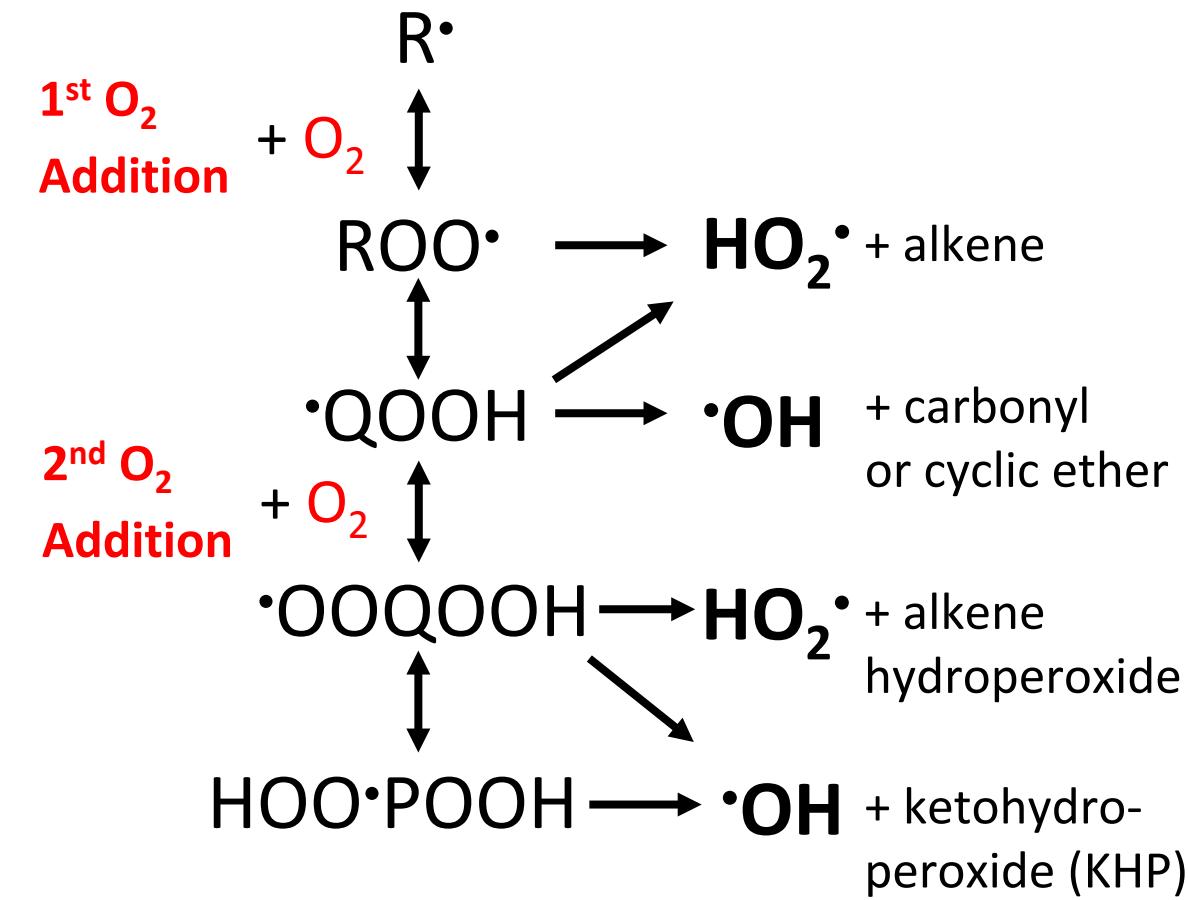
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- Major motivation for combustion research is to develop advanced fuels and technologies that improve engine efficiencies and lower pollutant emissions.
- Low-temperature (LT) combustion engines are one recent promising innovation.
 - Aim to convert fuel at sufficiently low temperatures to avoid soot and nitrogen oxide formation, while increasing thermal efficiency.
- Accurate models of LT chemistry can help predict fuel properties and advance applications.

Low-Temperature (Below \sim 1000 K) Combustion

Hydrocarbon fuel: RH

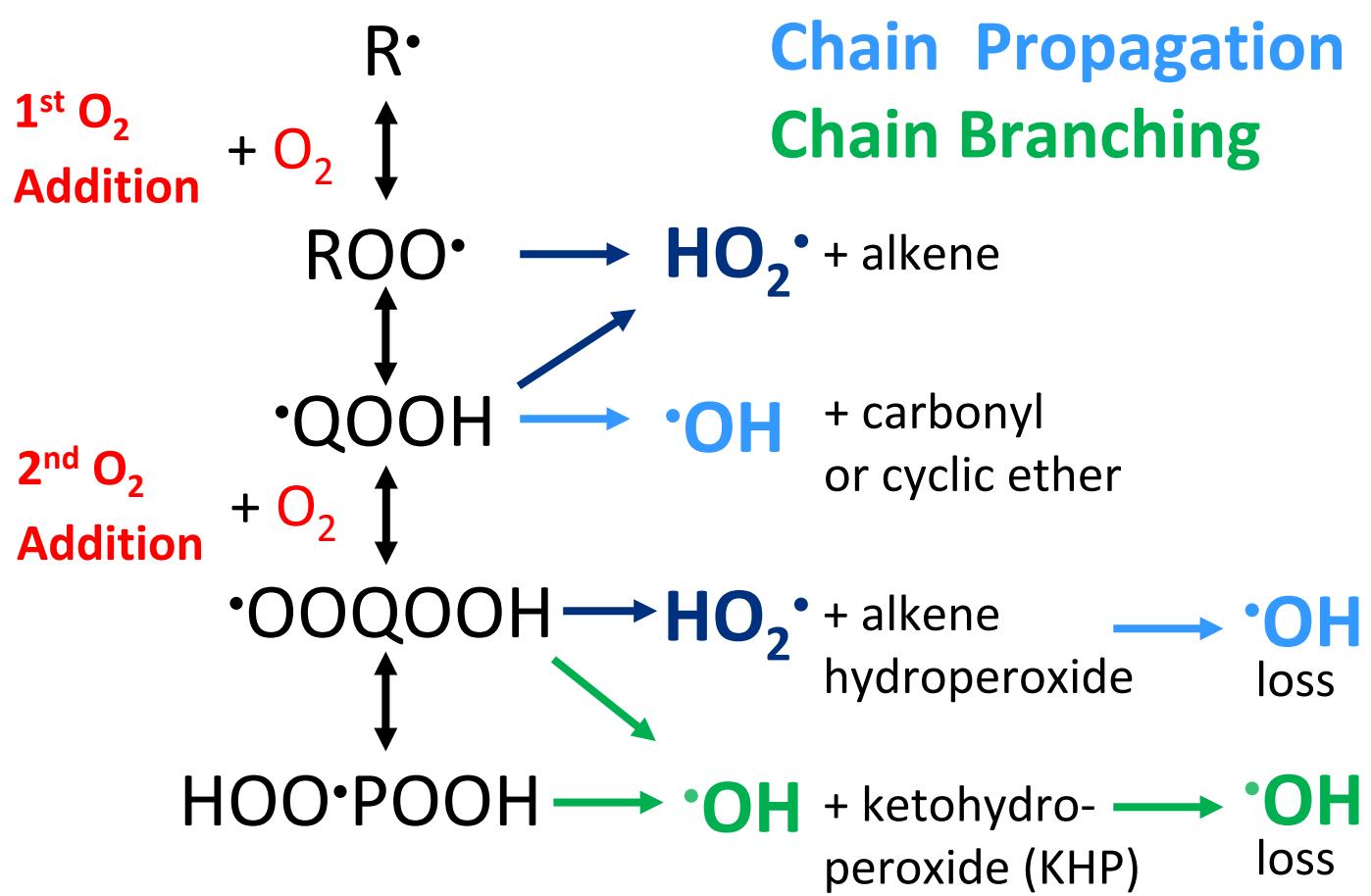
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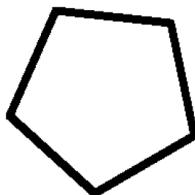
Hydrocarbon fuel: RH

Recycling: $\cdot\text{OH} + \text{RH} \rightleftharpoons \text{R}\cdot + \text{H}_2\text{O}$



Cyclopentane (CPT) Oxidation

Cyclopentane (CPT)

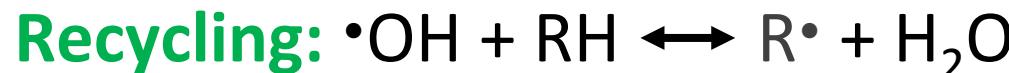


Simple model system:

- Exhibits typical alkane oxidation pathways.
- Symmetrical structure results in single initial isomer.
- Reactivity dominated by chain inhibition.
- Intermediates and products have been quantified.

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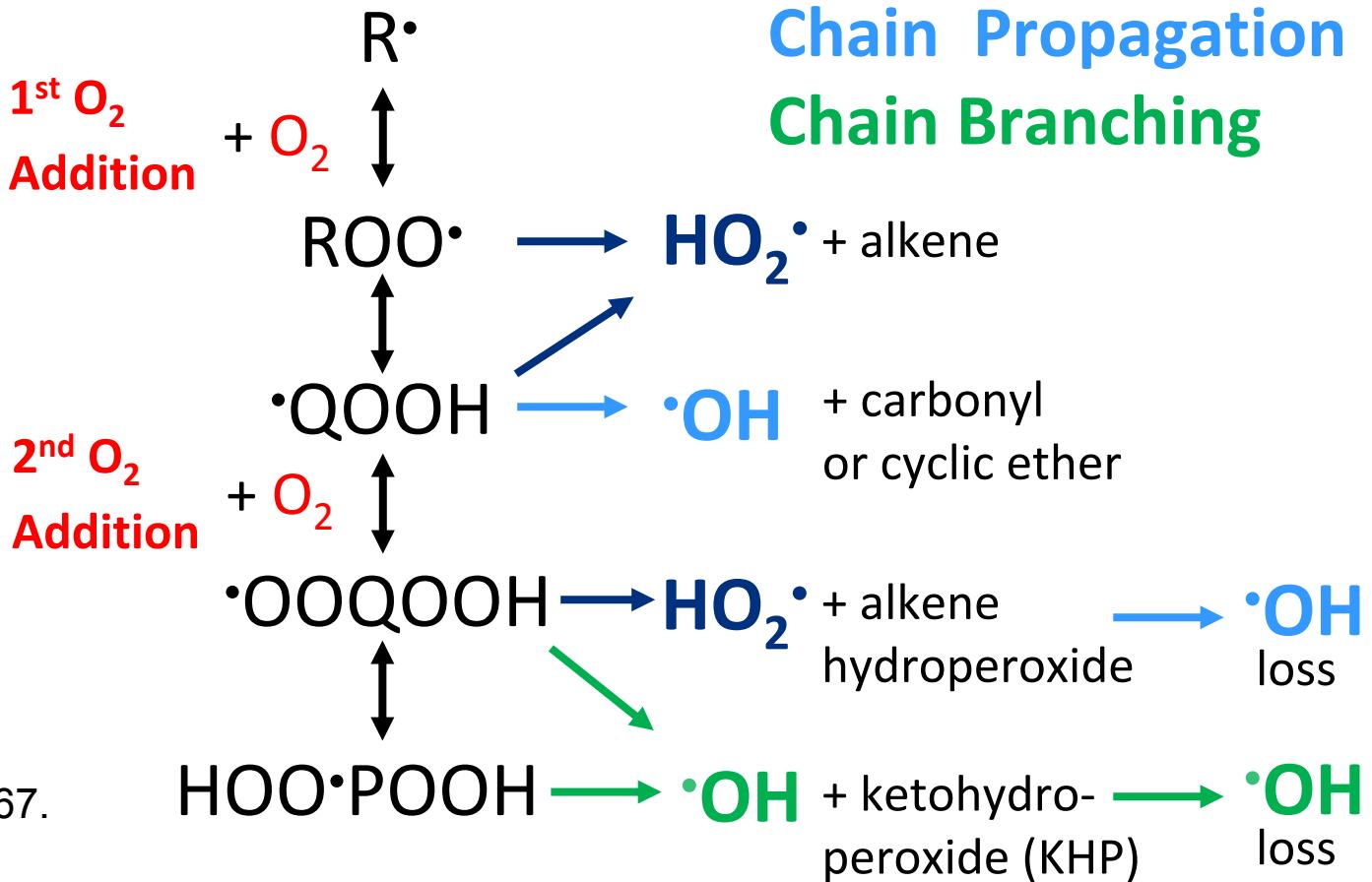
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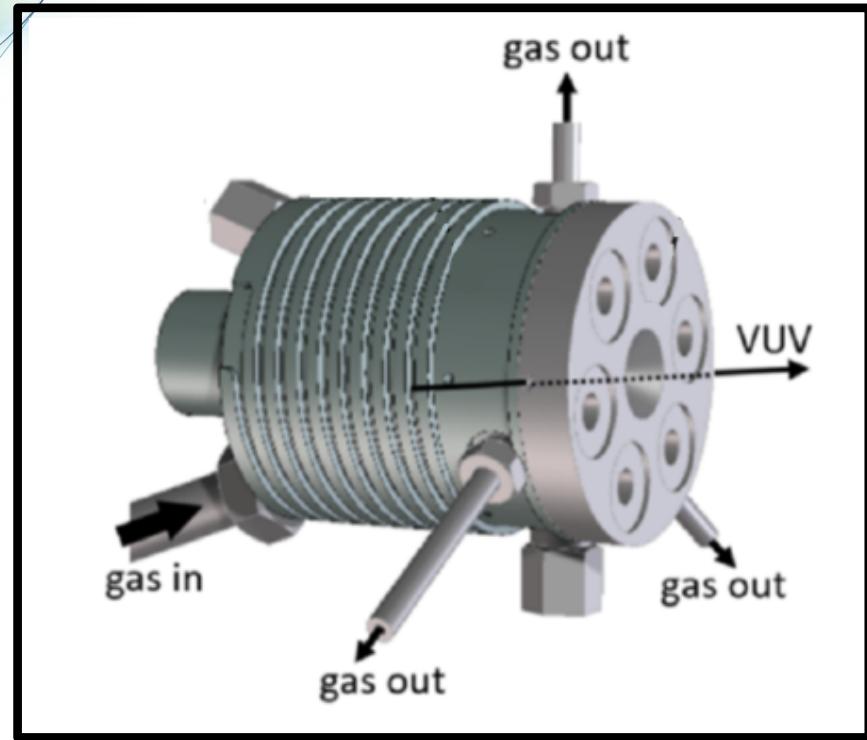
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Chain Propagation

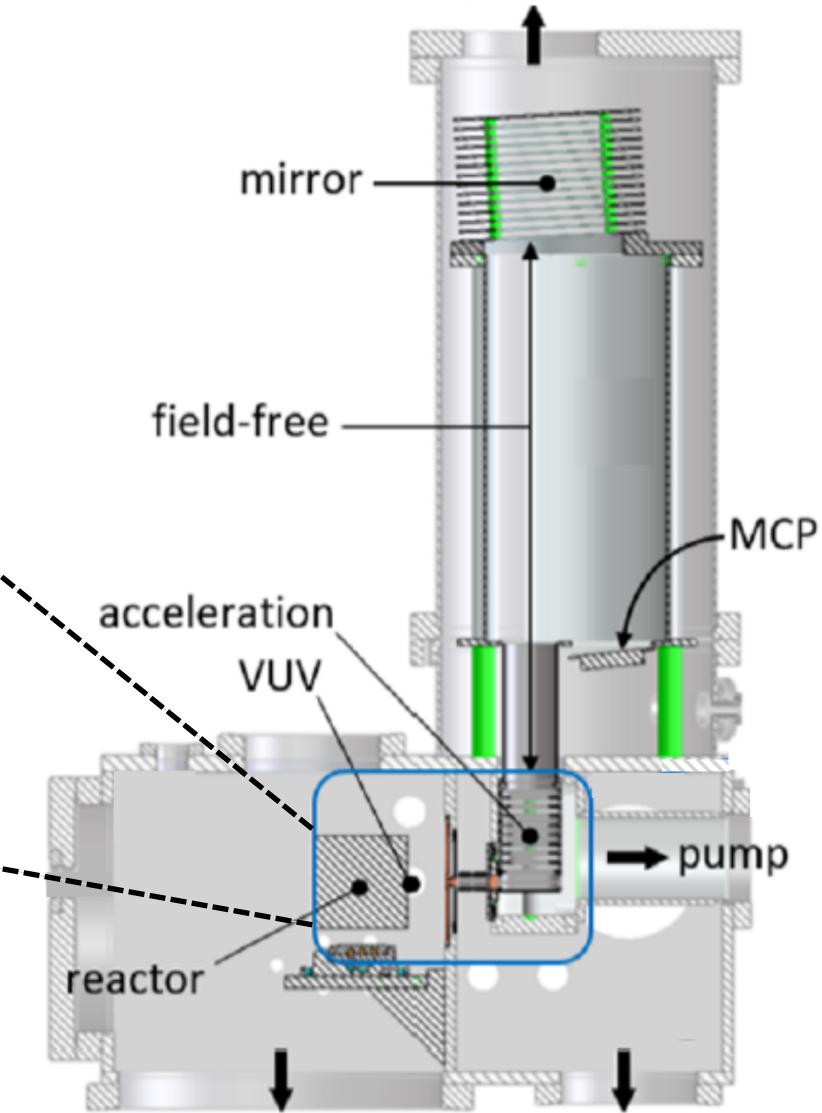
Chain Branching



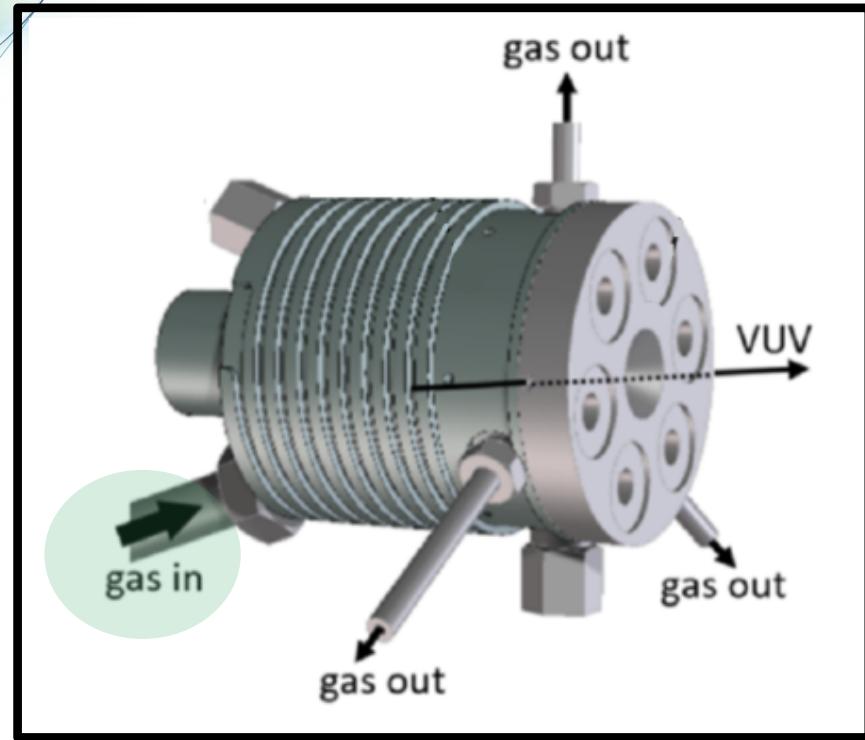
Multiplexed Photoionization Mass Spectrometry (MPIMS)



High-pressure photolysis reactor.



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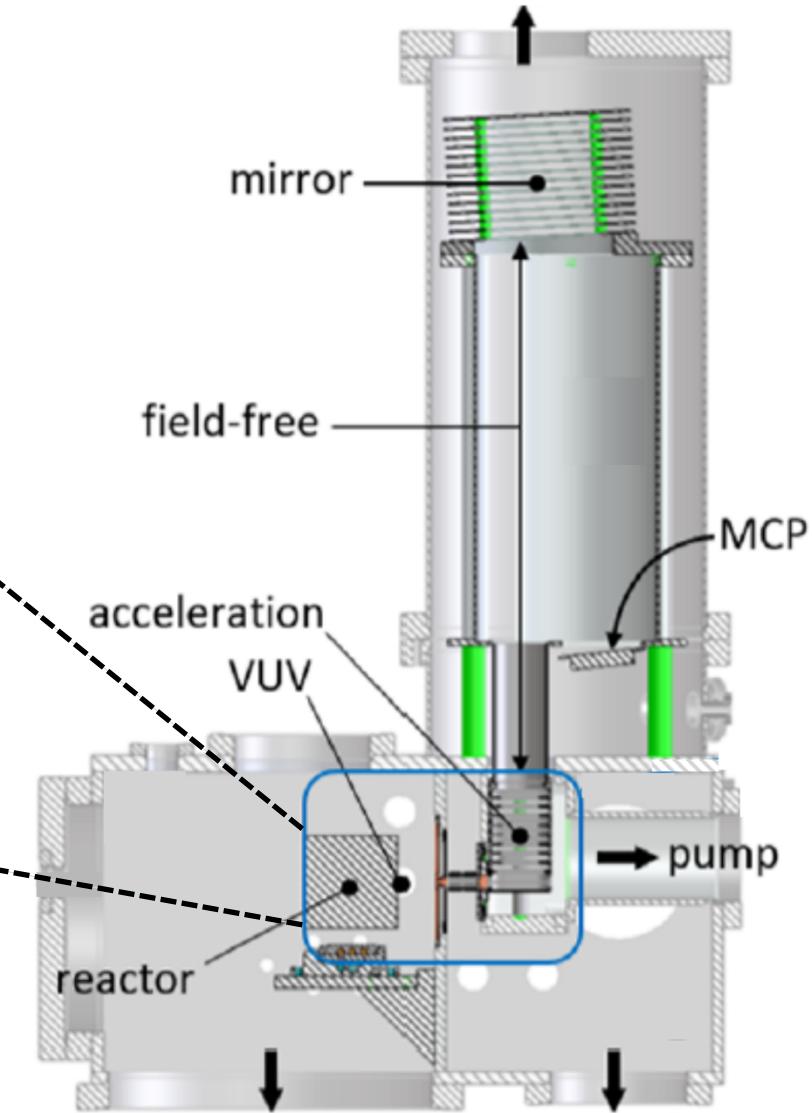
Pressure: 7500 Torr, T: 450-650 K

CPT (cm⁻³): 1×10^{14}

O₂ (cm⁻³): 3×10^{19}

Cl₂ (cm⁻³): 8.9×10^{14}

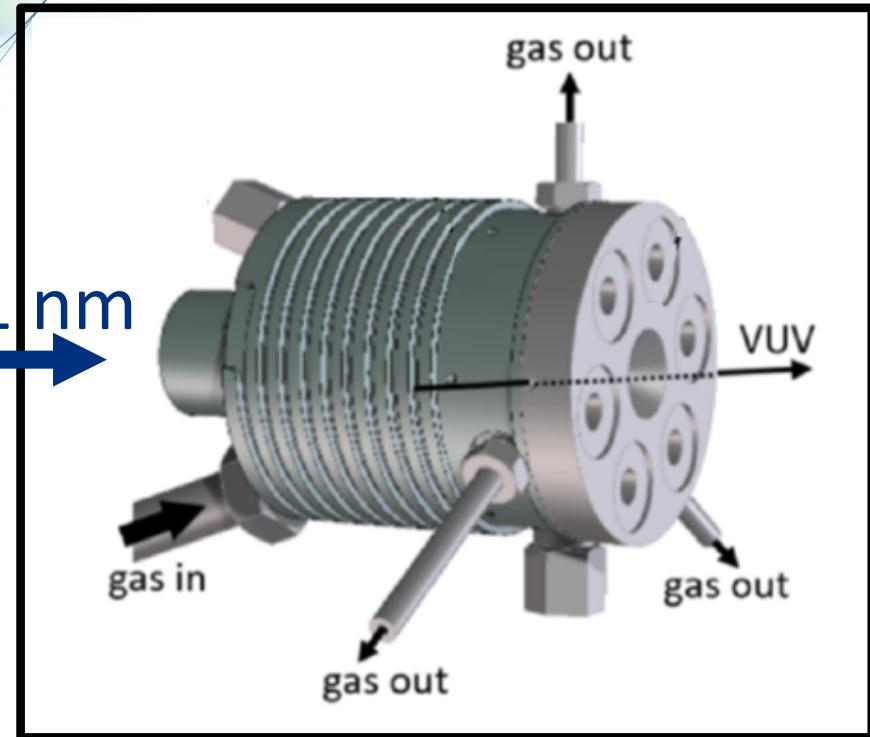
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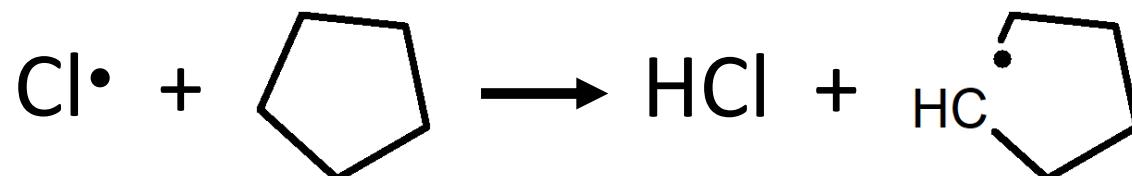
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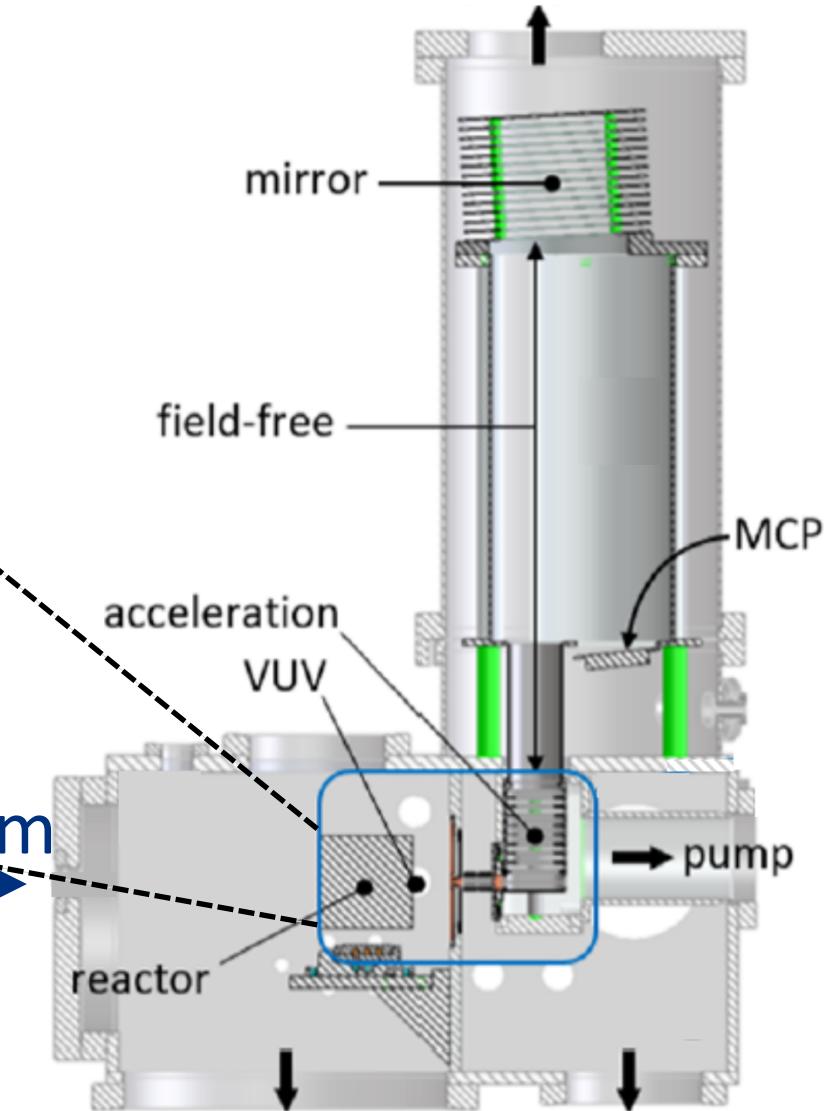
351 nm



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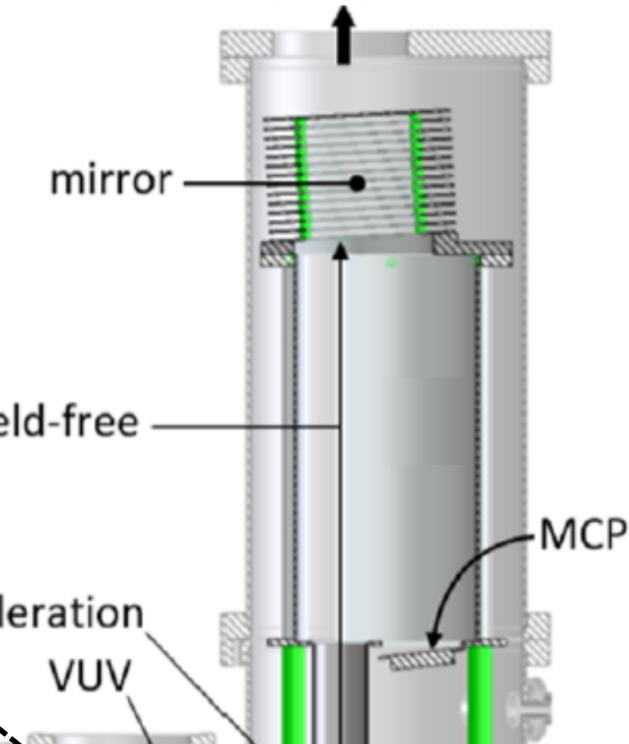
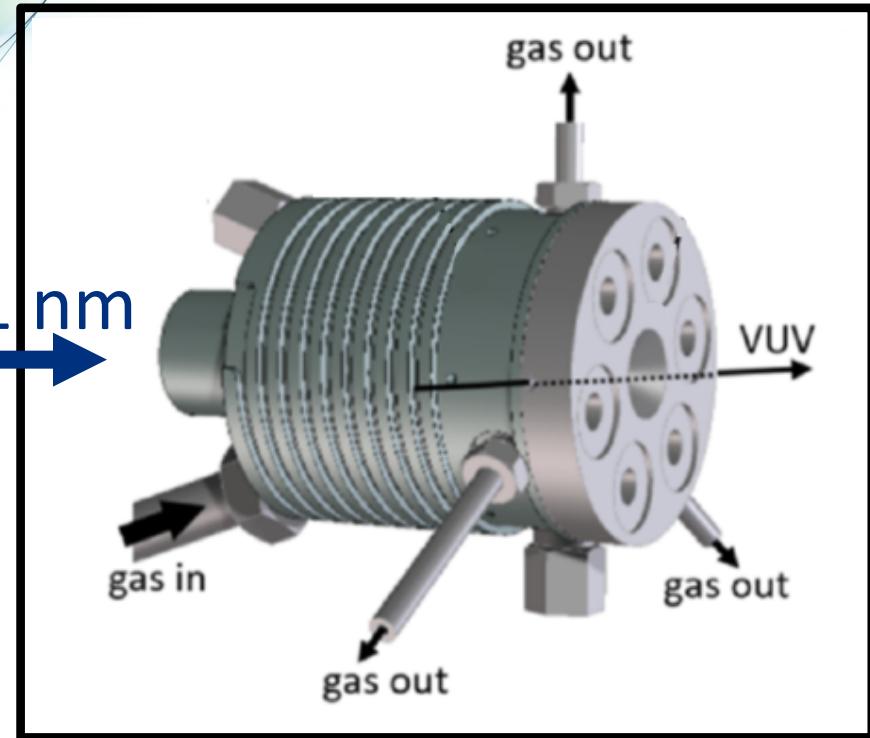
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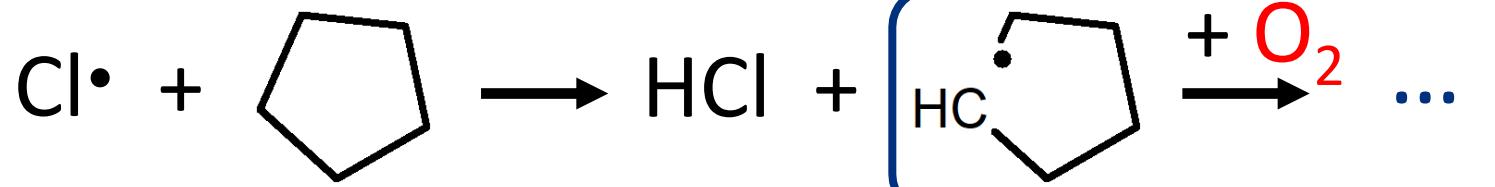
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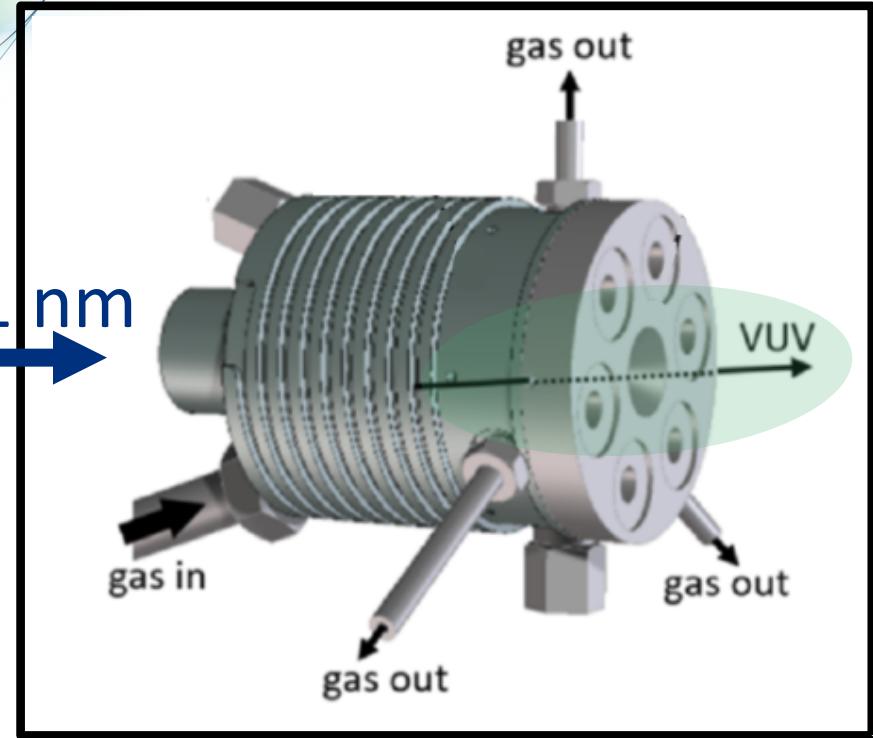
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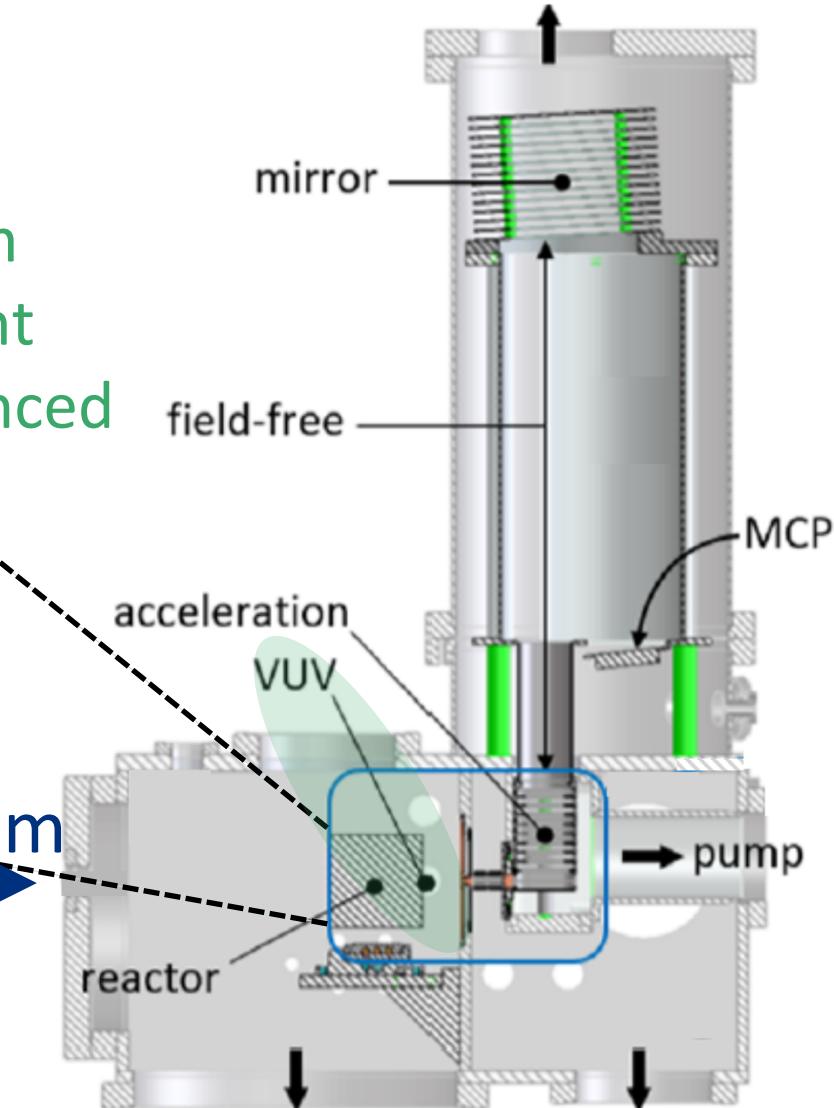


- Ionization of species with tunable vacuum ultraviolet (VUV) light from Berkeley Advanced Light Source.
- Detection with reflectron TOF-MS.

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351 nm

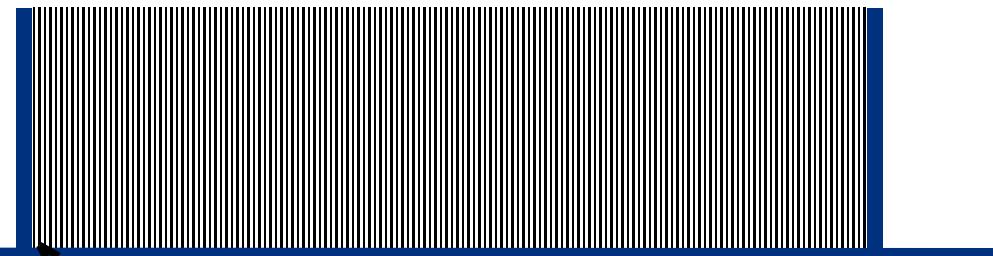


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Time and Energy-Resolved Studies

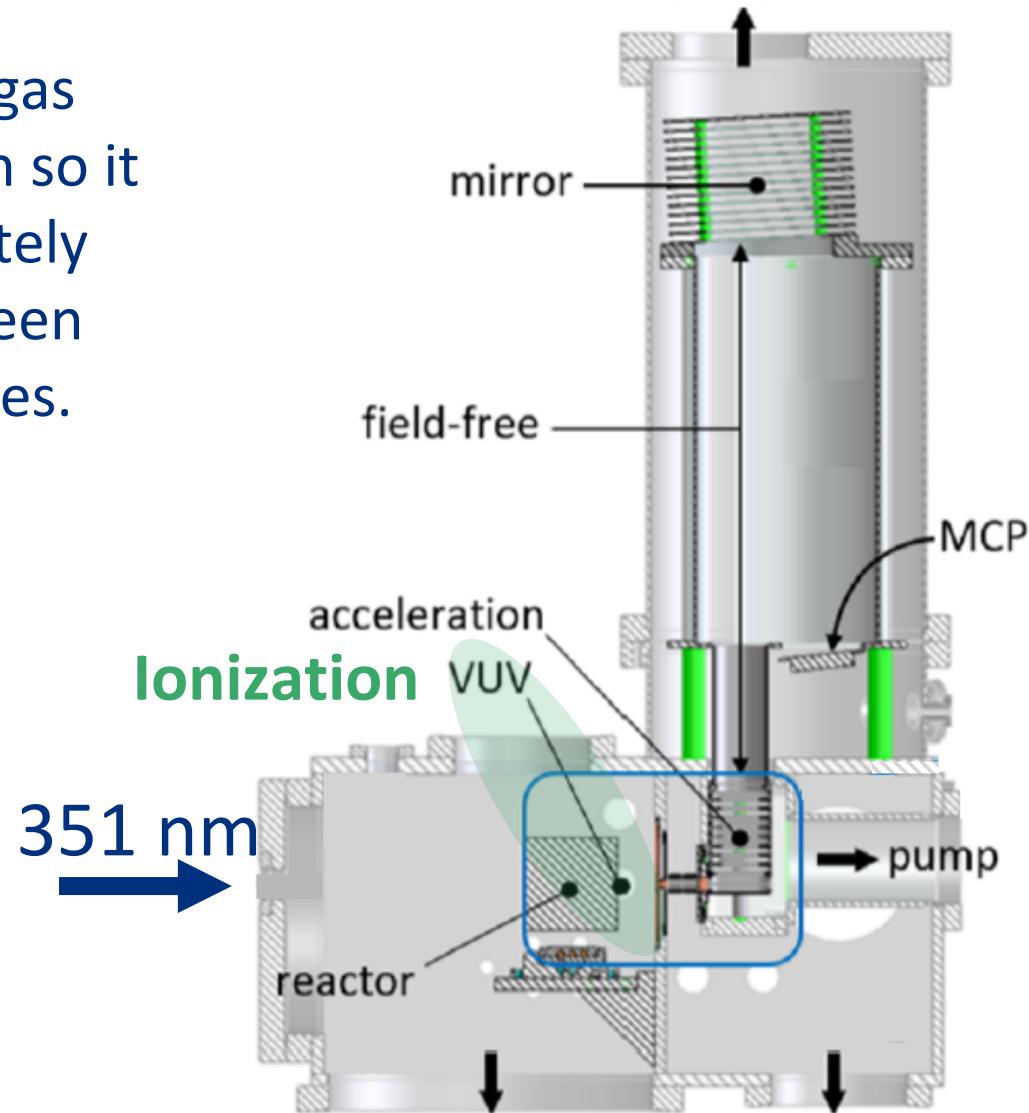
351 nm Photolysis Laser: 5 Hz

200 ms



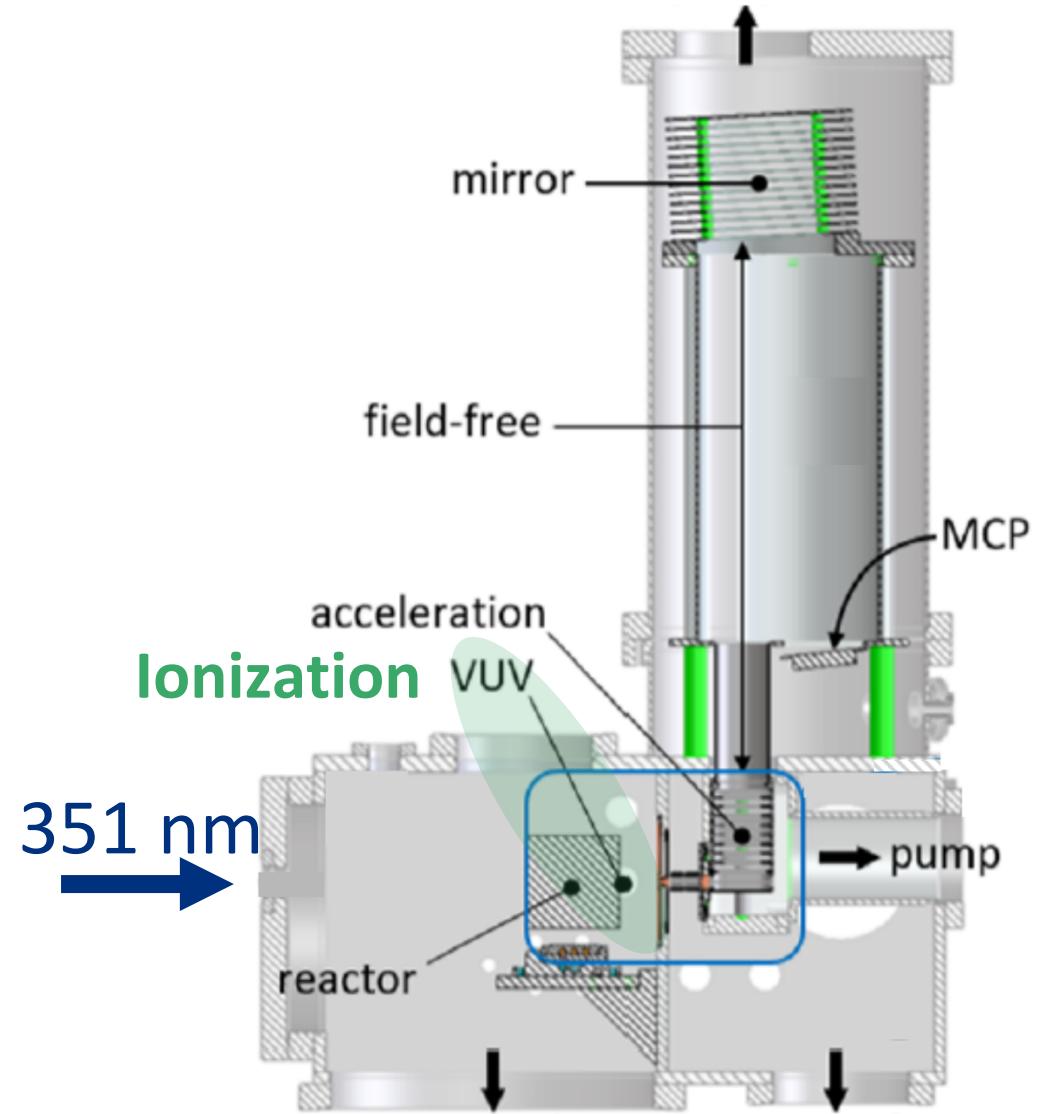
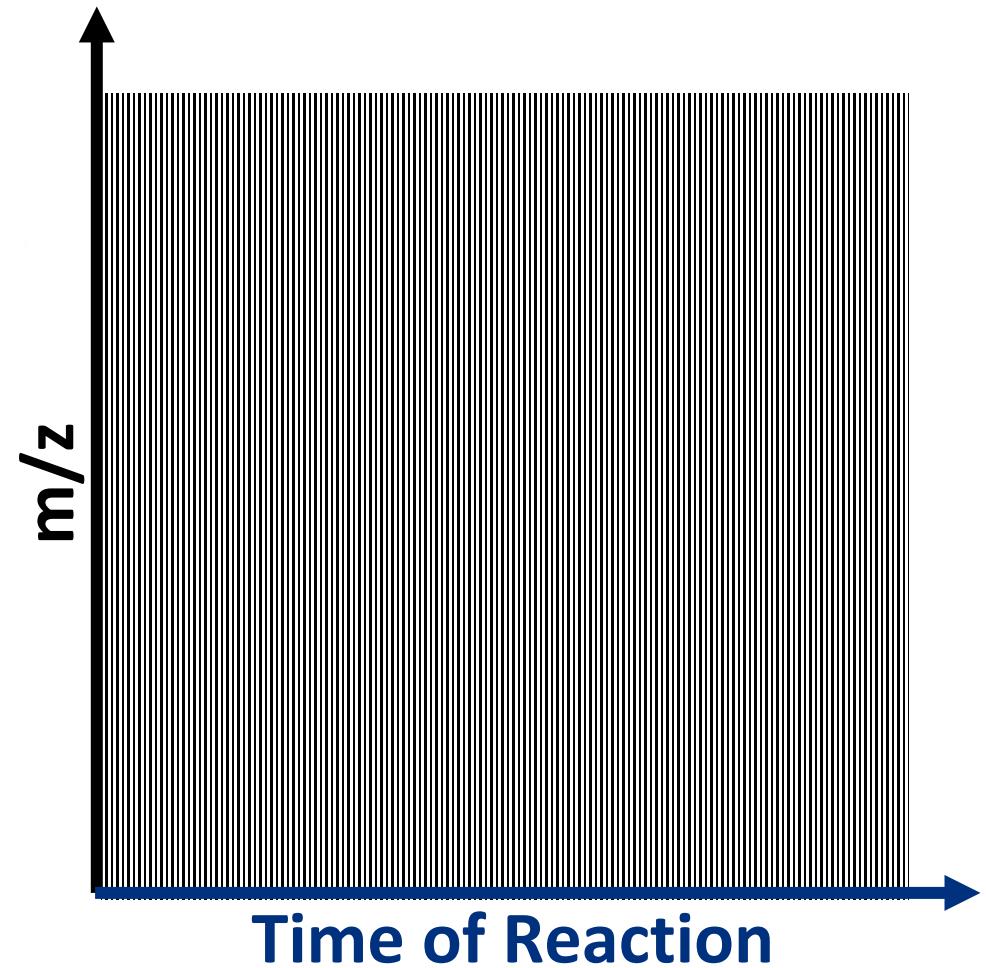
TOF Repetition Rate: 40 kHz

Flow speed of gas mixture chosen so it can be completely replaced between photolysis pulses.



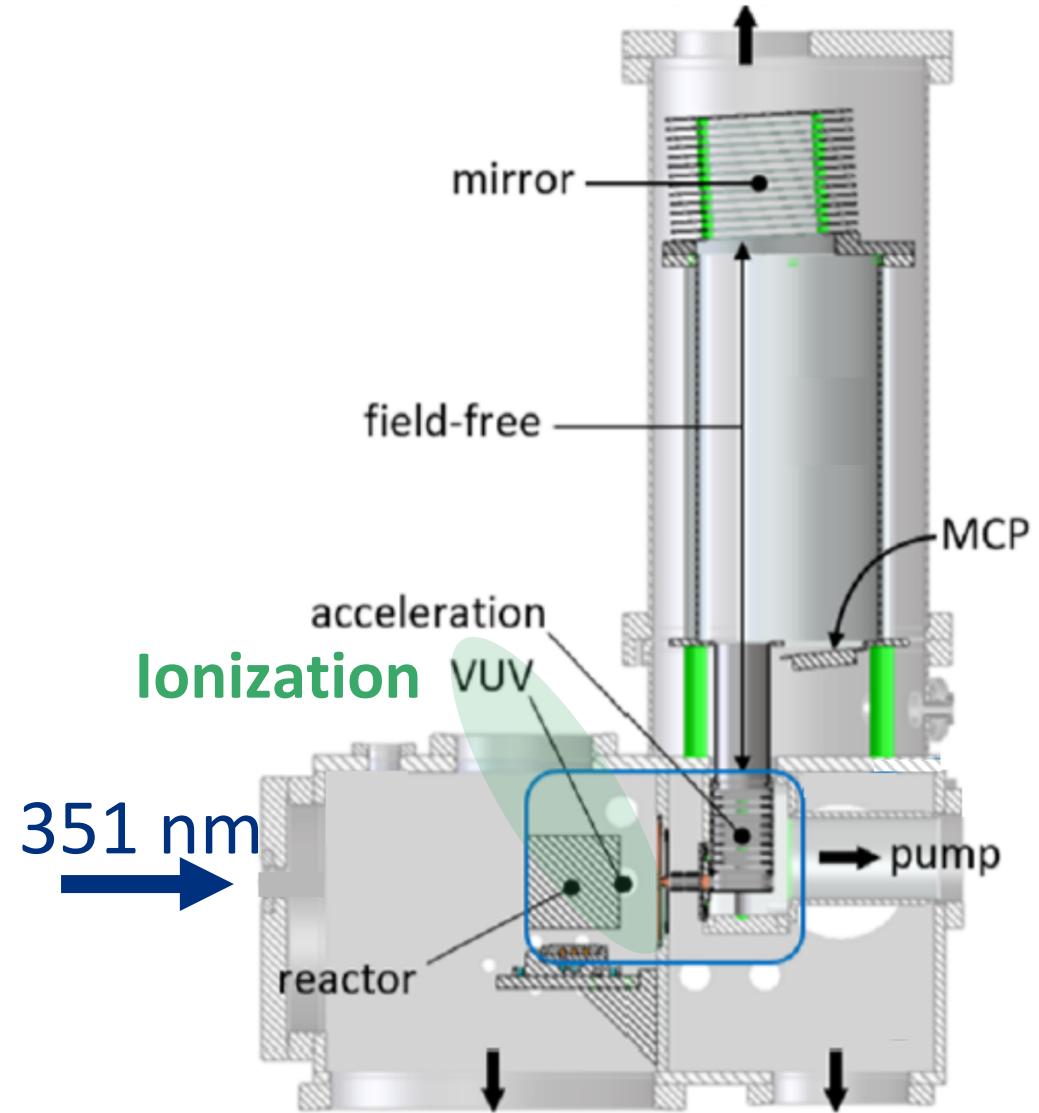
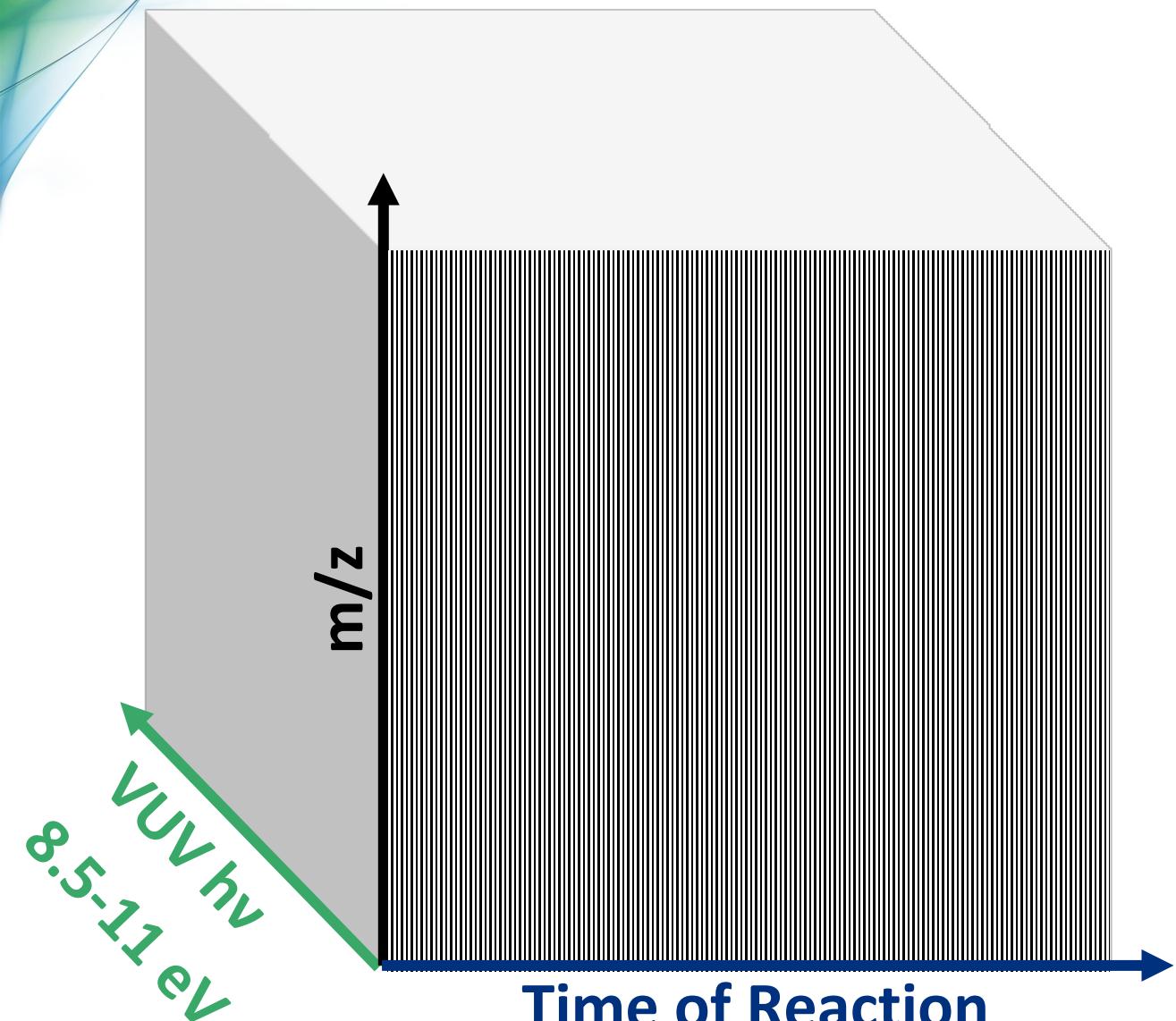
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Identification and Quantification Species

- Species identification from accurate mass and from photoionization thresholds by comparison with references and calculations.
- Species quantification:
 - Reference photoionization cross sections when available.
 - Quantification of remaining species from carbon balancing against fuel consumption from distinct time-behavior.

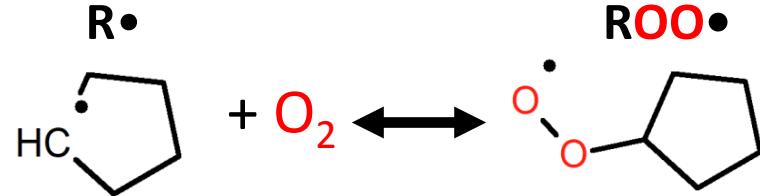
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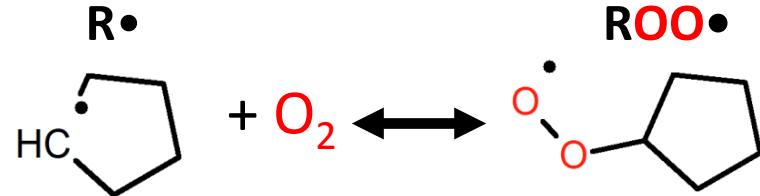
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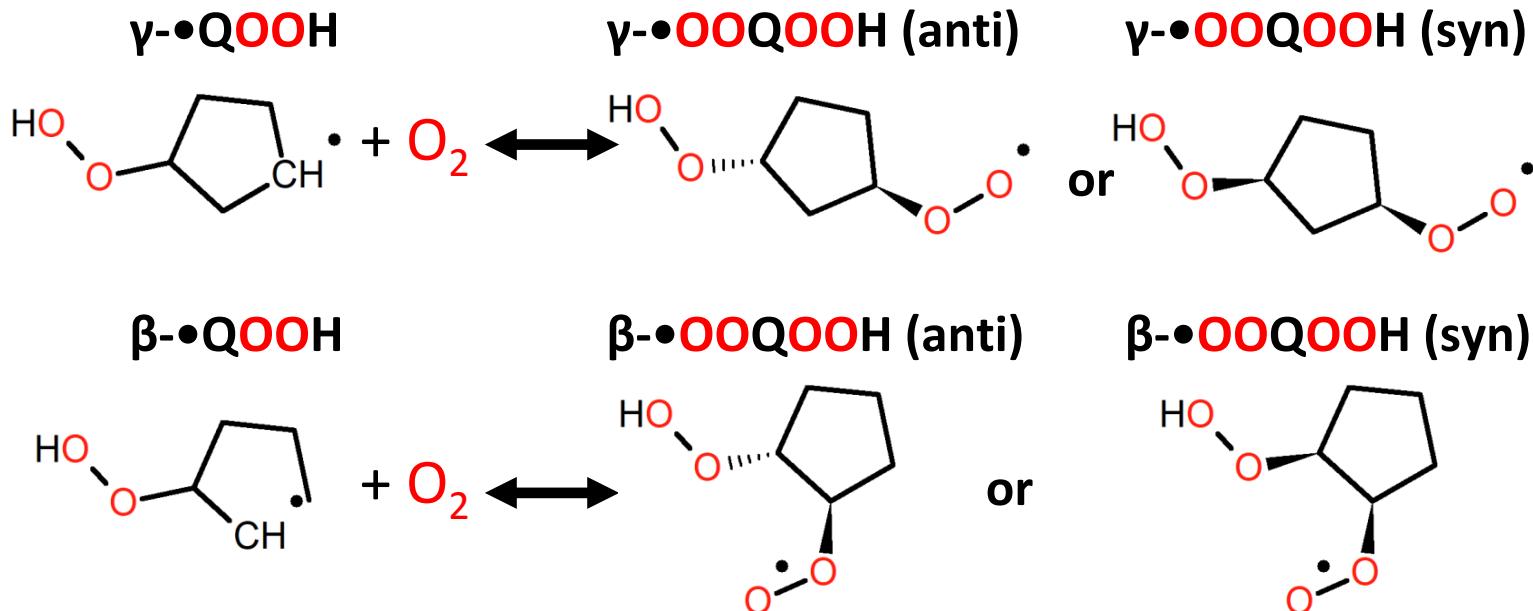
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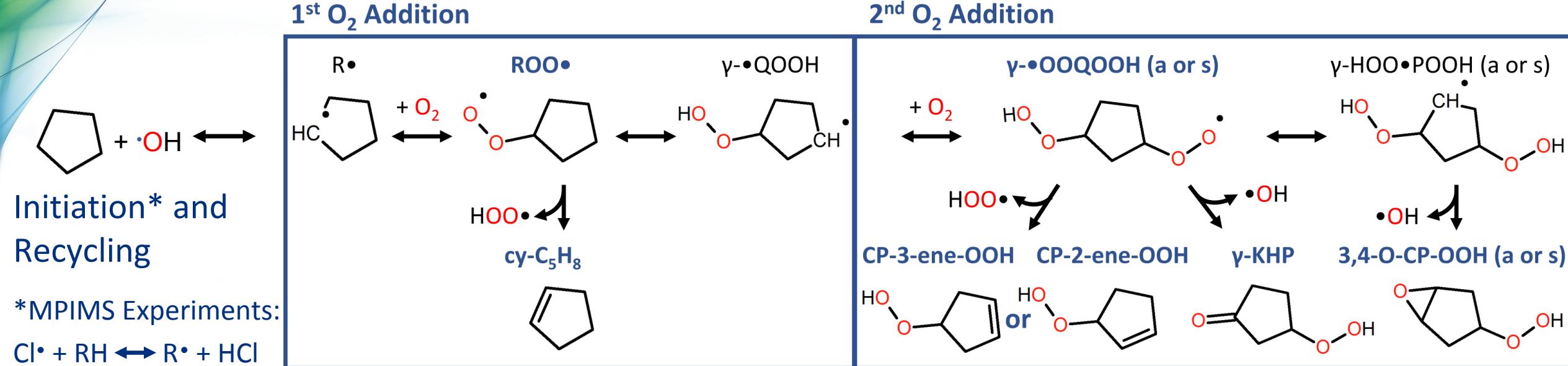
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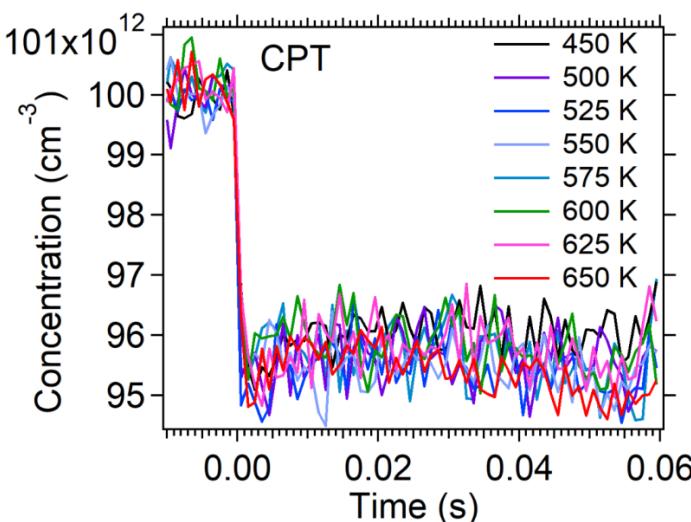
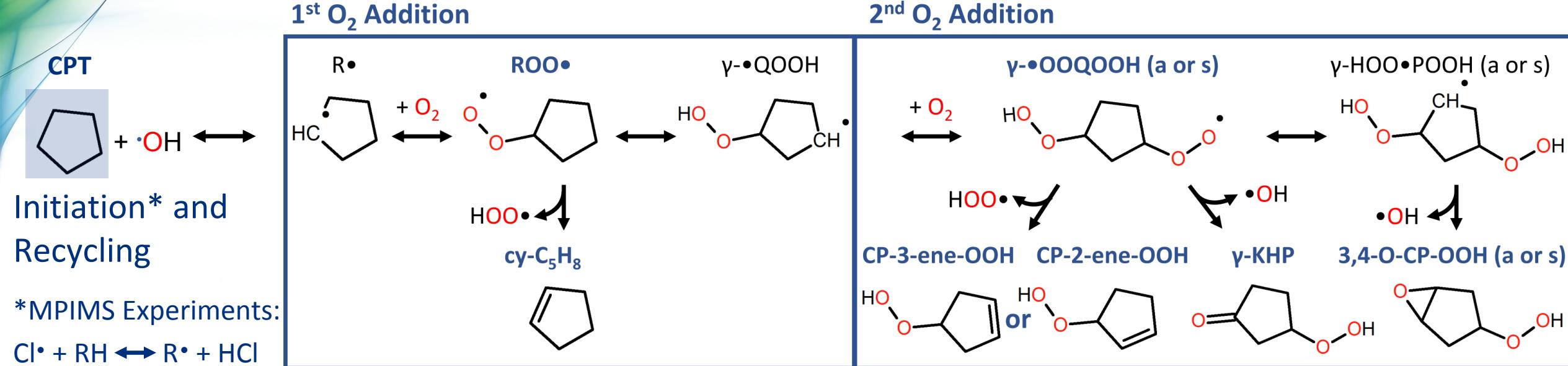
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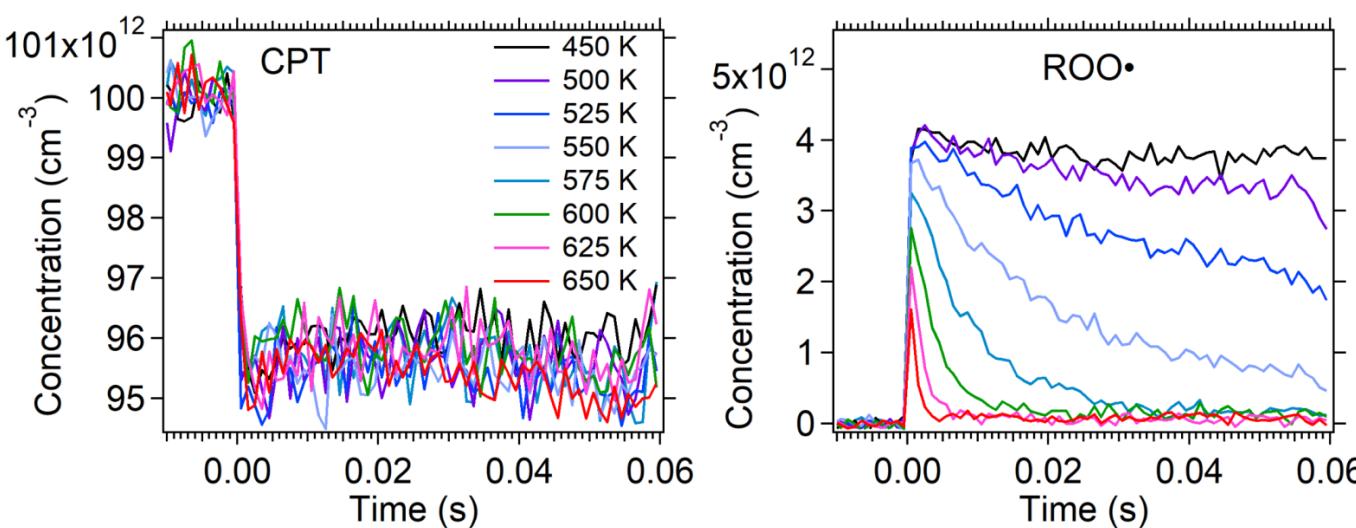
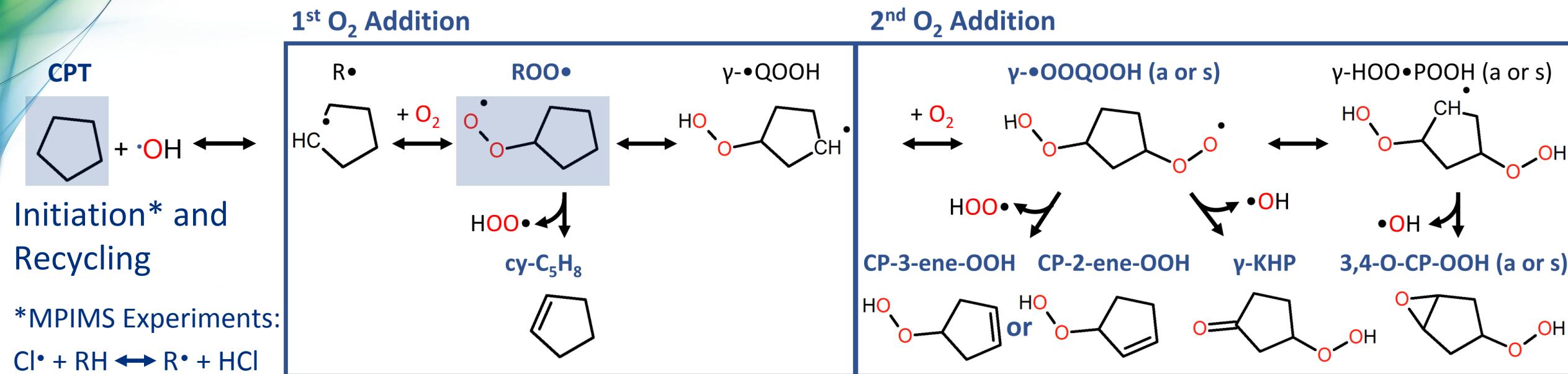


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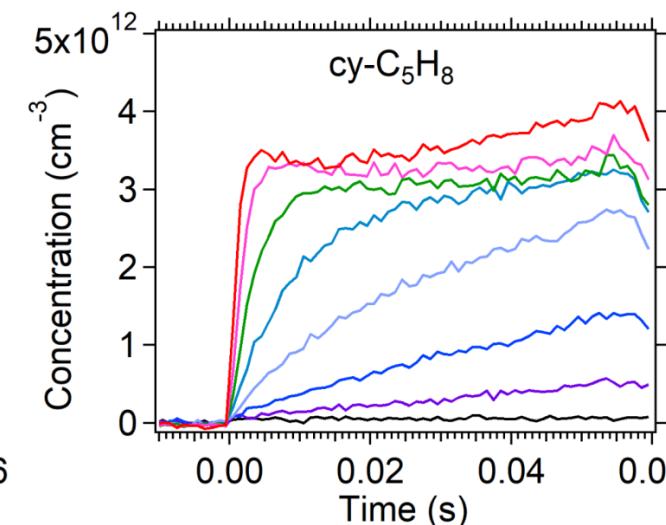
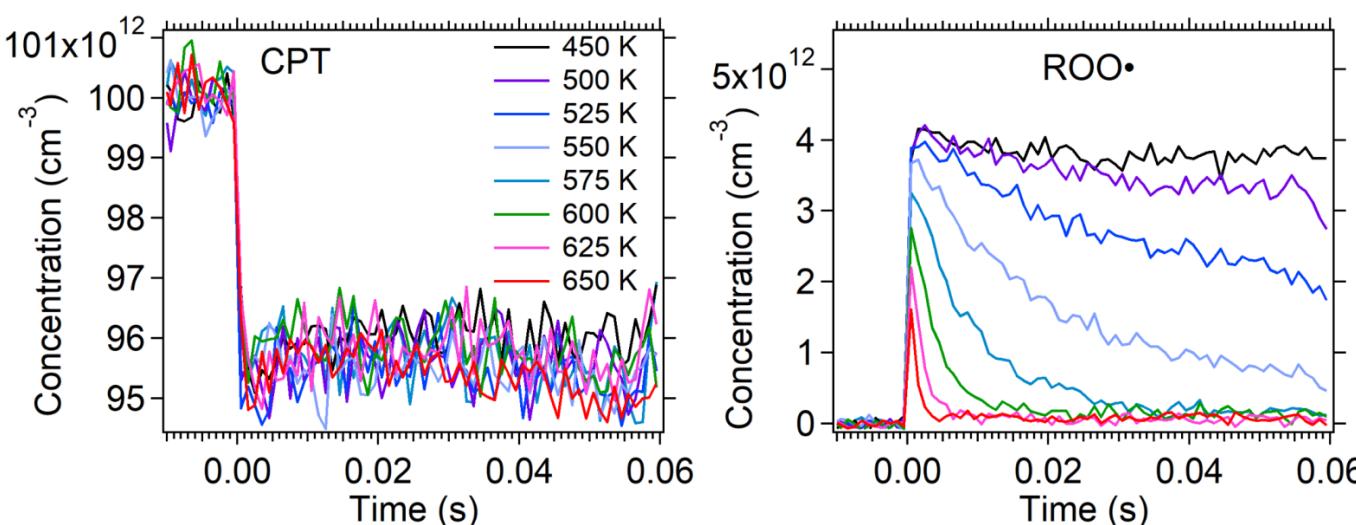
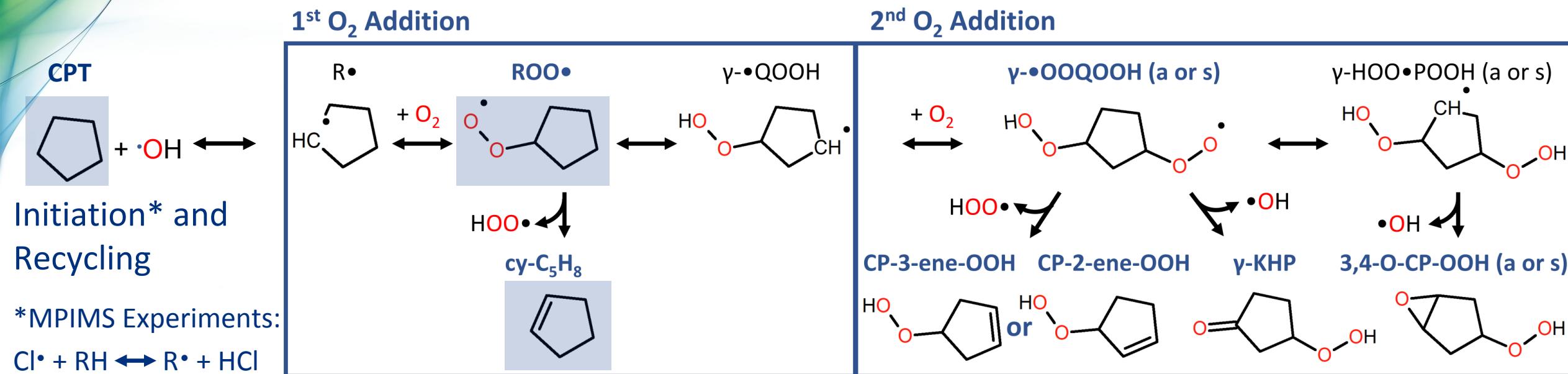
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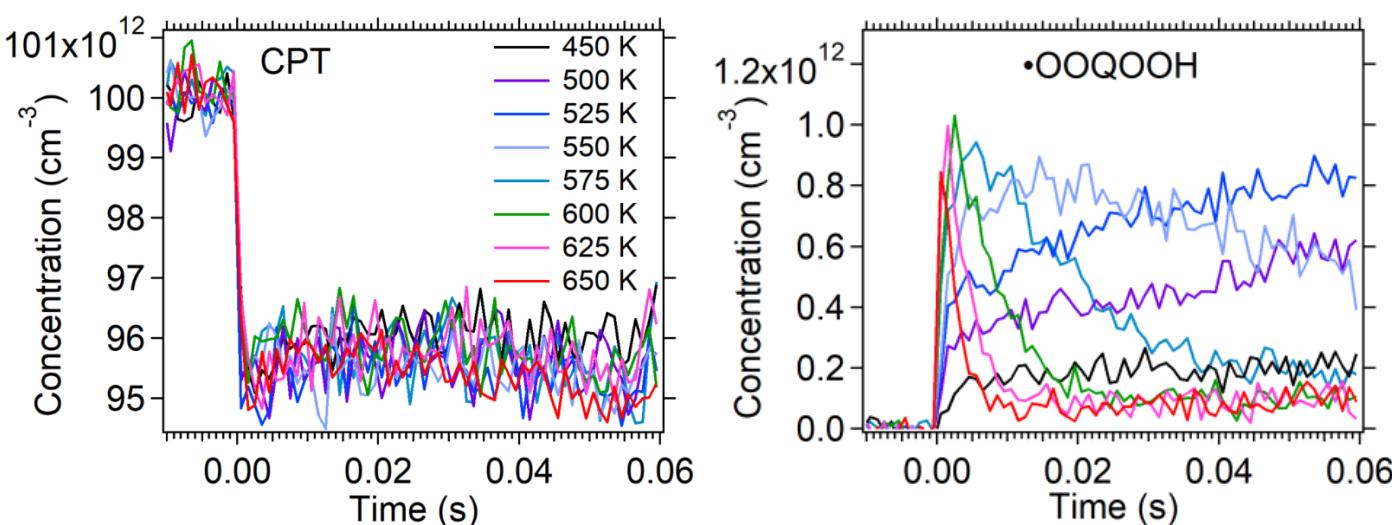
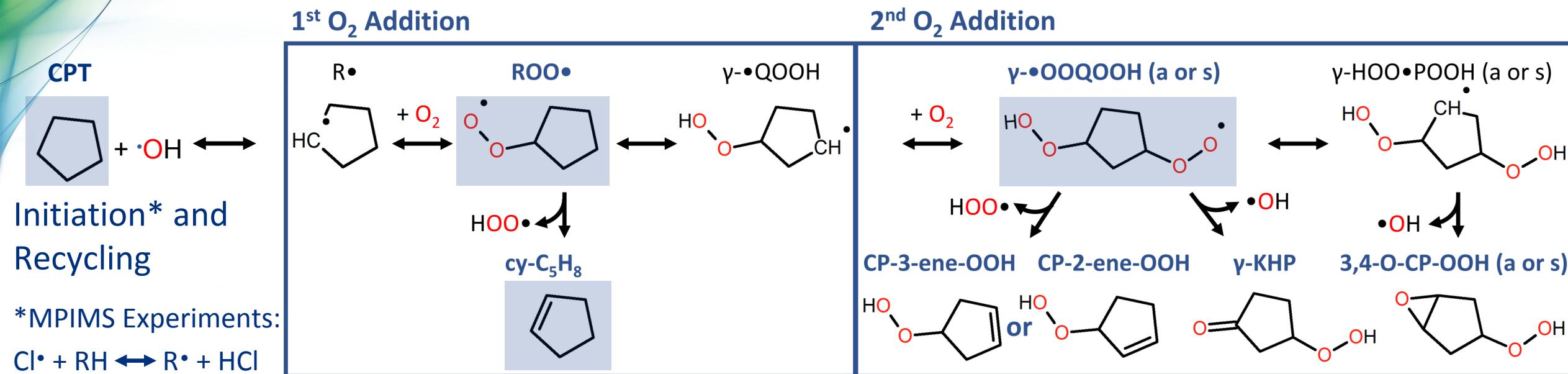
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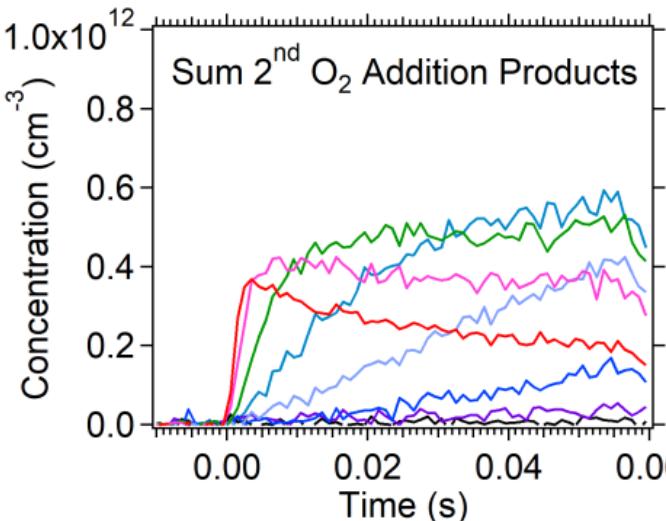
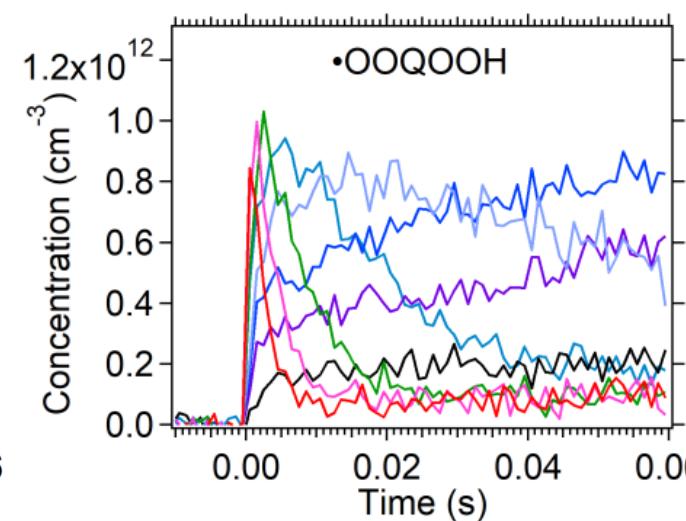
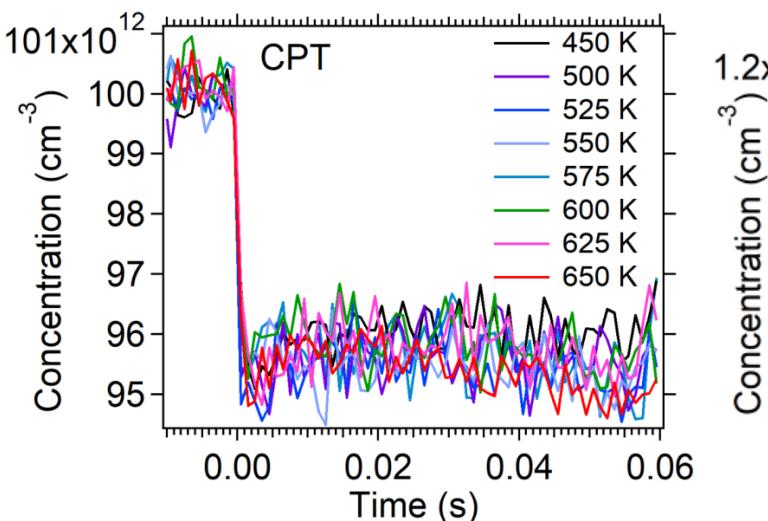
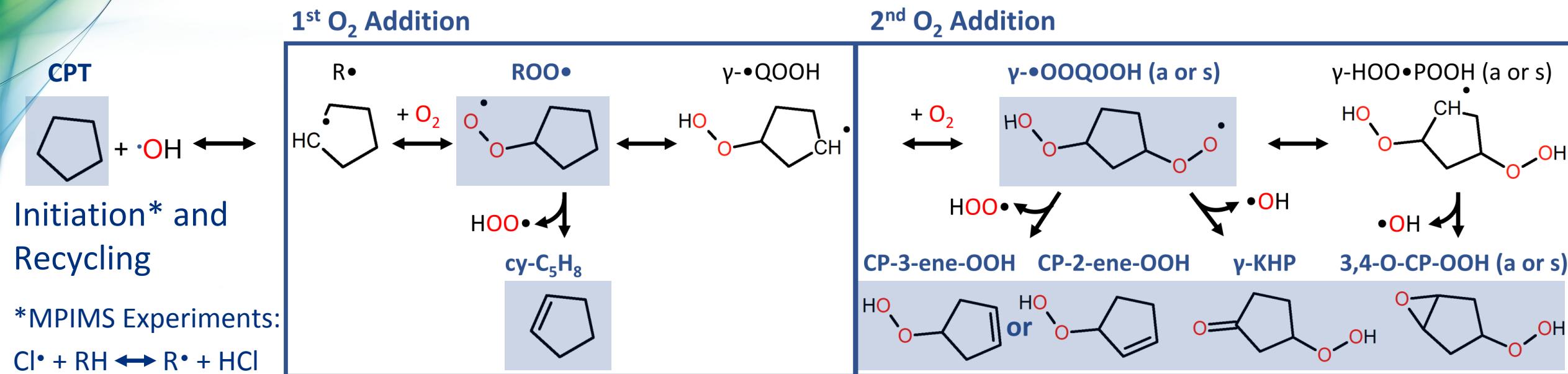
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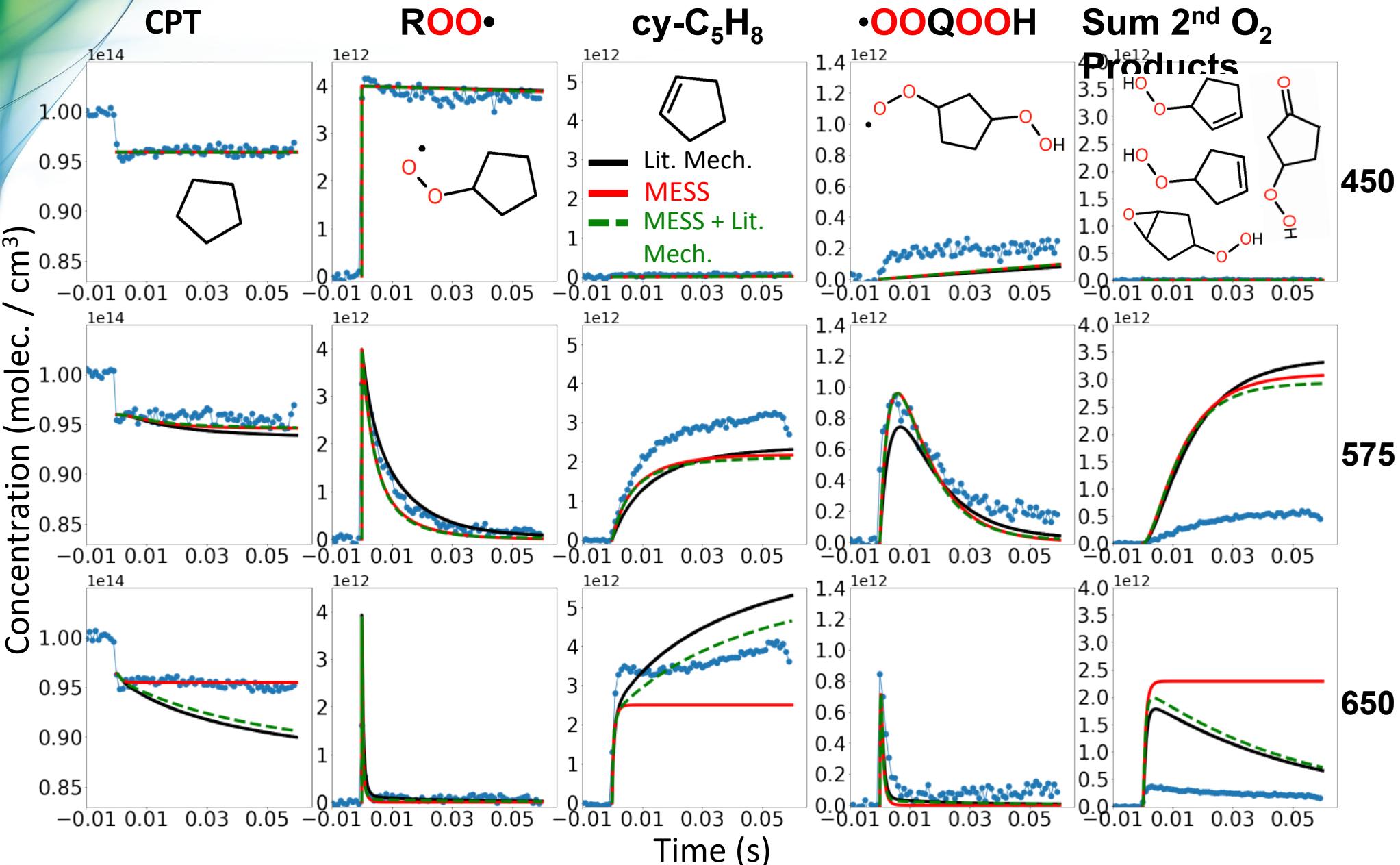
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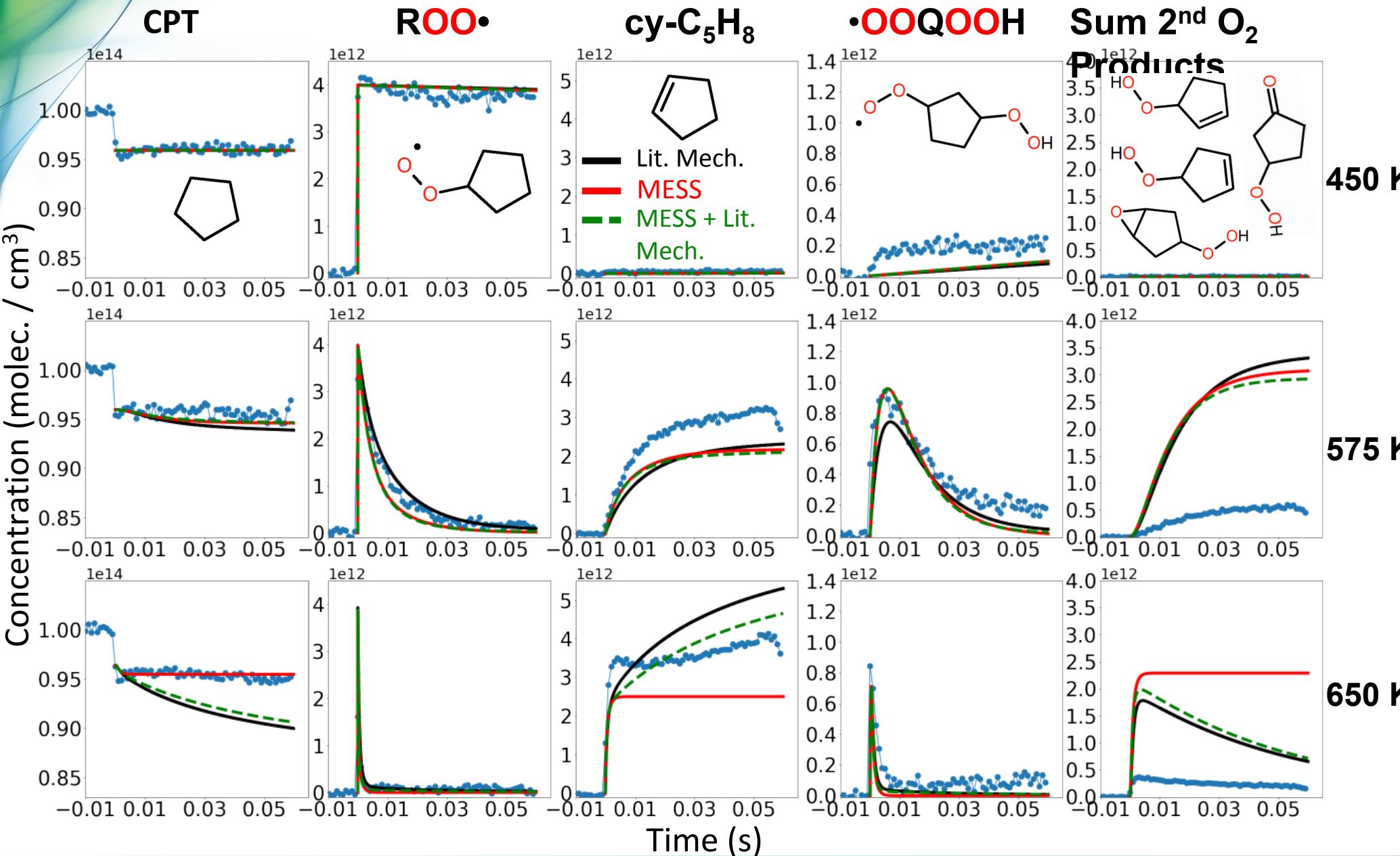


Small concentration of 2nd O₂ addition species.

Performance of Kinetics Models Against MPIMS Data



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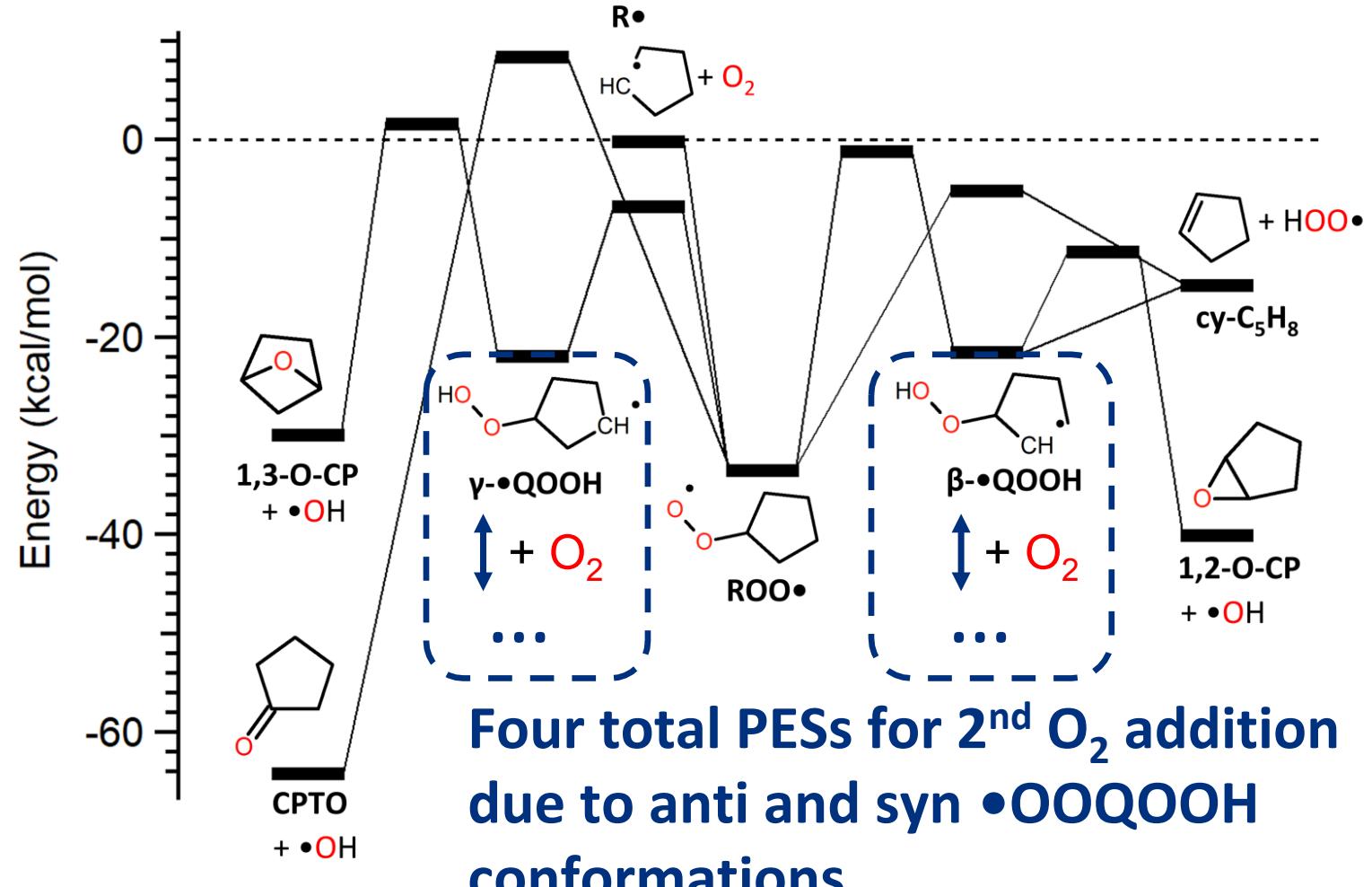


Optimization of Theory-Based Sub-Mechanism

223 parameters in sub-mechanism to be perturbed, such as well energies, barrier heights, frequencies, imaginary frequencies, and hindered rotor potentials.

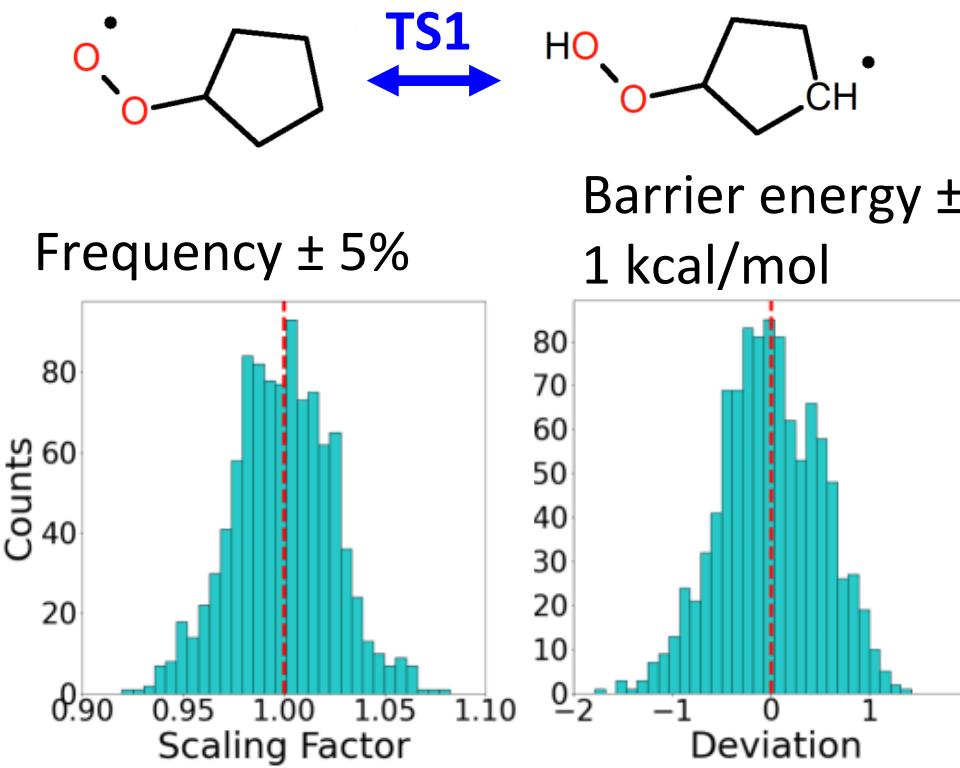
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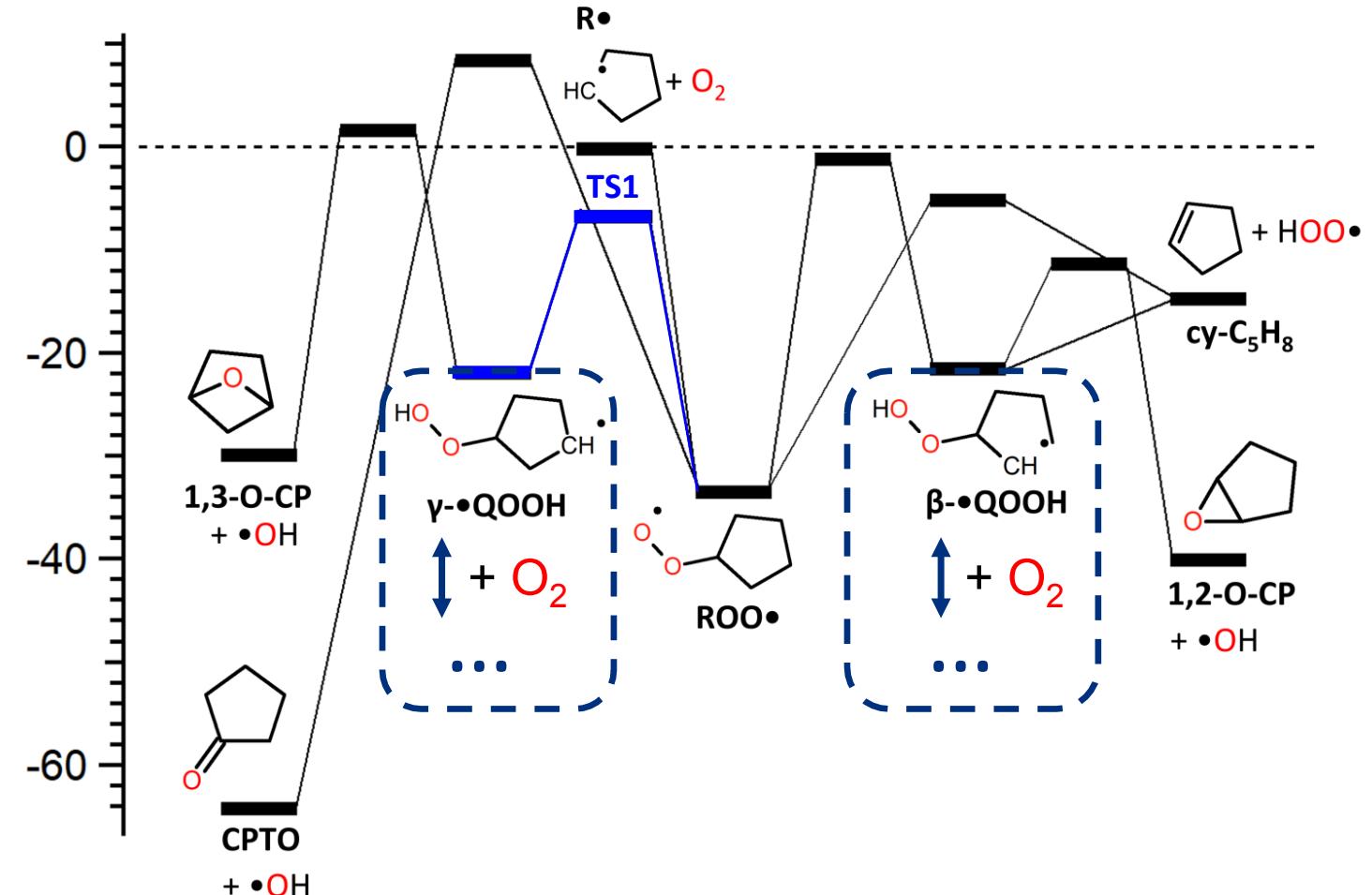
Global Sensitivity Analysis

- Perturb 223 parameters randomly within expected uncertainties.
- Create 1000 perturbed models.



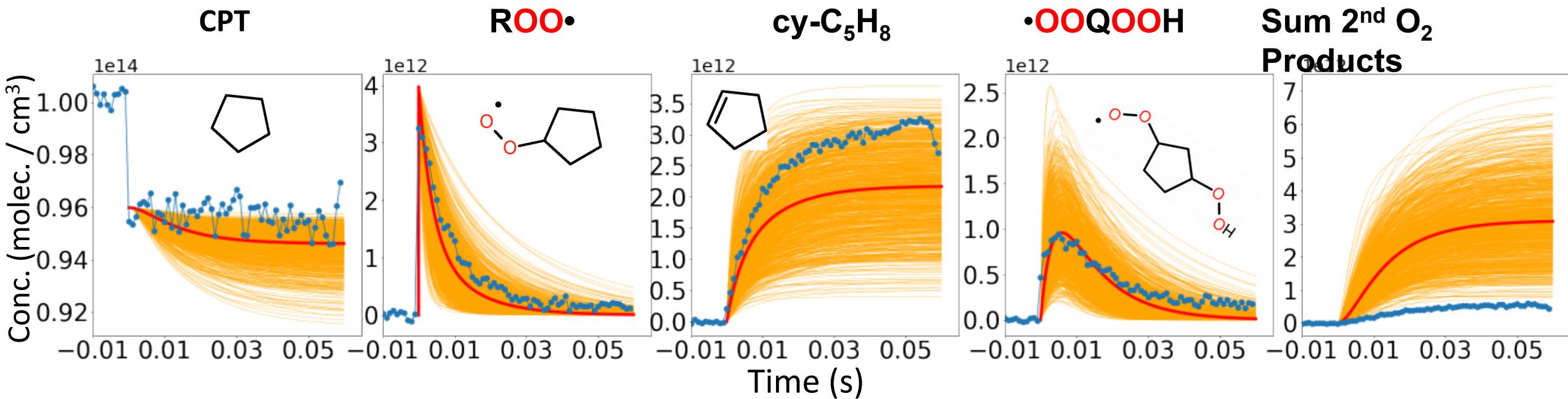
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Global Sensitivity Analysis

Effect of random perturbation to the 223 parameters on species concentration profiles from 1000 models at 575 K and 7500 Torr.

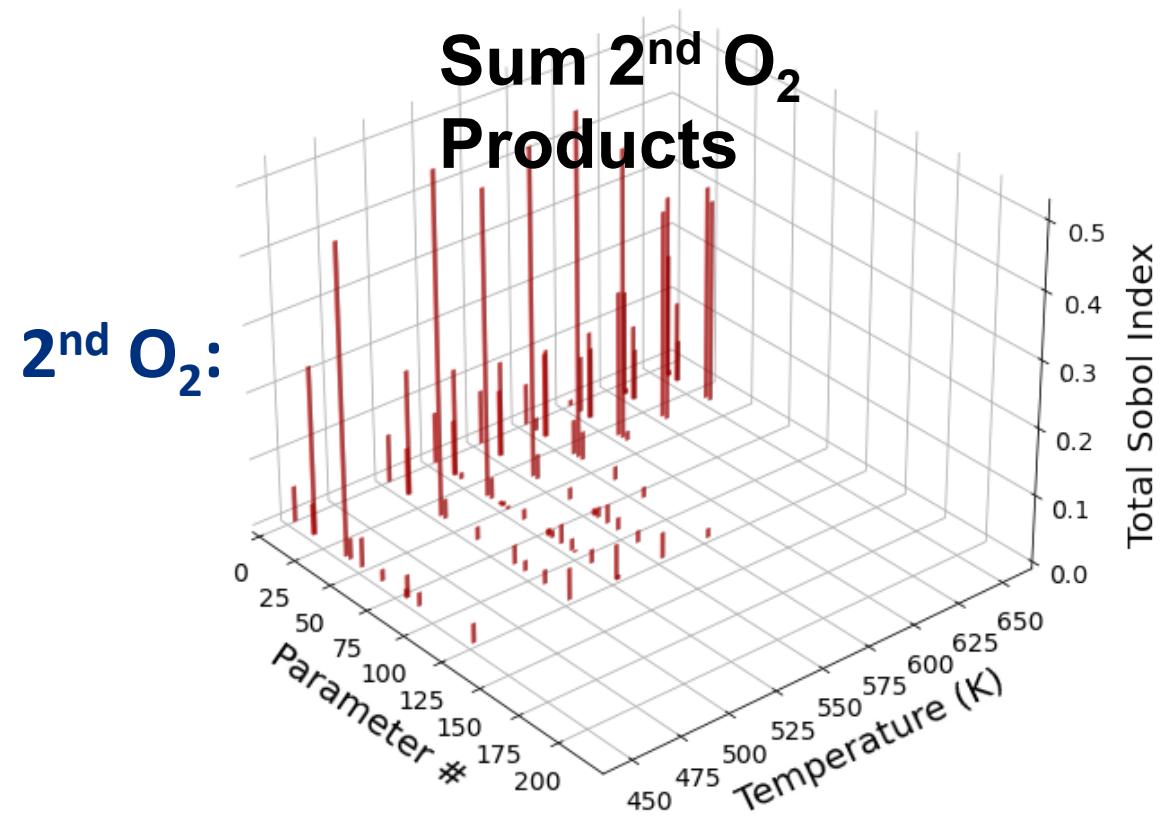
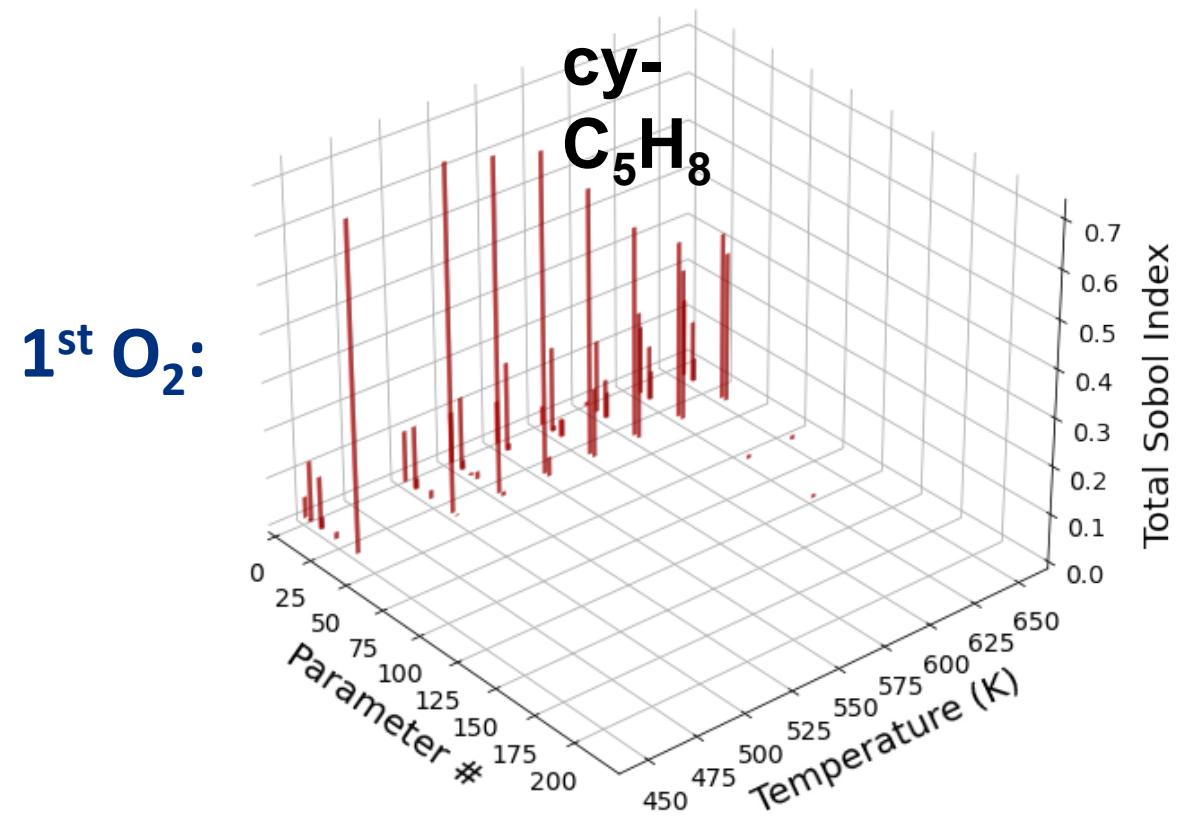


Experiment; Perturbed Models; Original Model

Global Sensitivity Analysis

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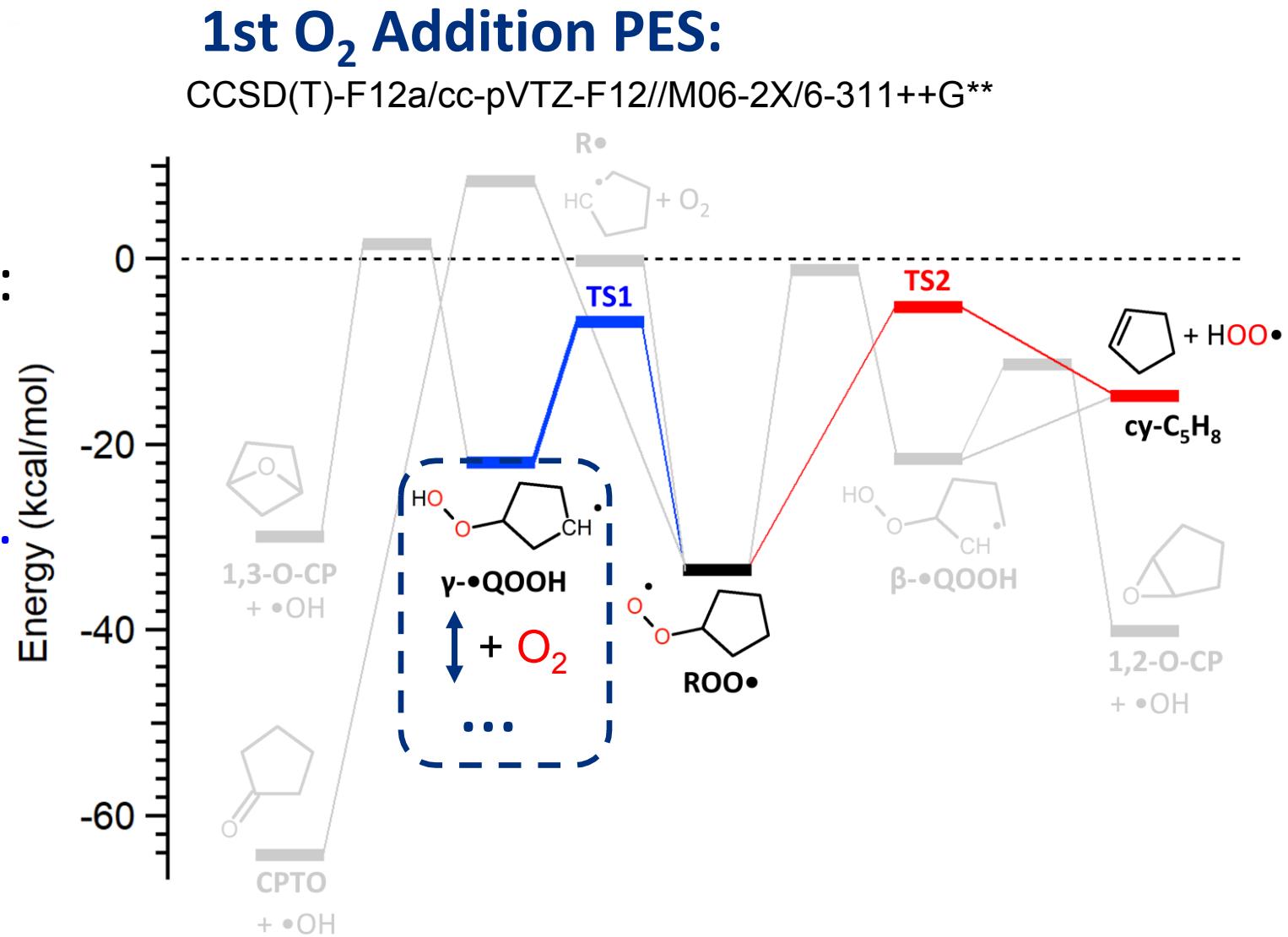
- Determine most sensitive parameters from global sensitivity analysis.
- Parameter sensitivity from total Sobol index for species concentrations at 10 ms shown.
- Mainly same 6 of 223 parameters influence modeled species concentrations.



Global Sensitivity Analysis

6 most sensitive parameters:

- 1) Barrier energy for TS1.
- 2) Barrier energy for TS2.
- 3) Imaginary frequency, TS1.
- 4) Frequencies of TS2.
- 5) Frequencies of $\text{ROO}\bullet$.
- 6) Frequencies of TS1.

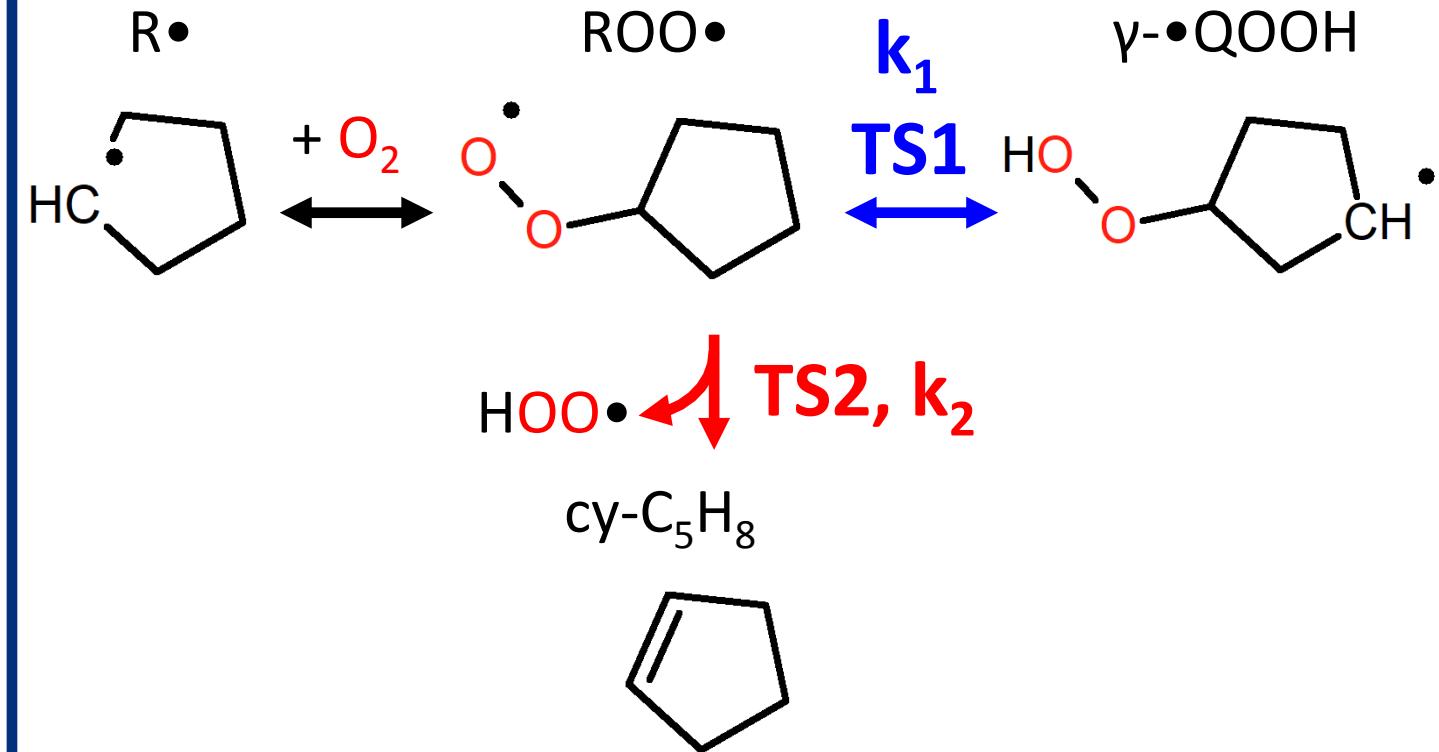


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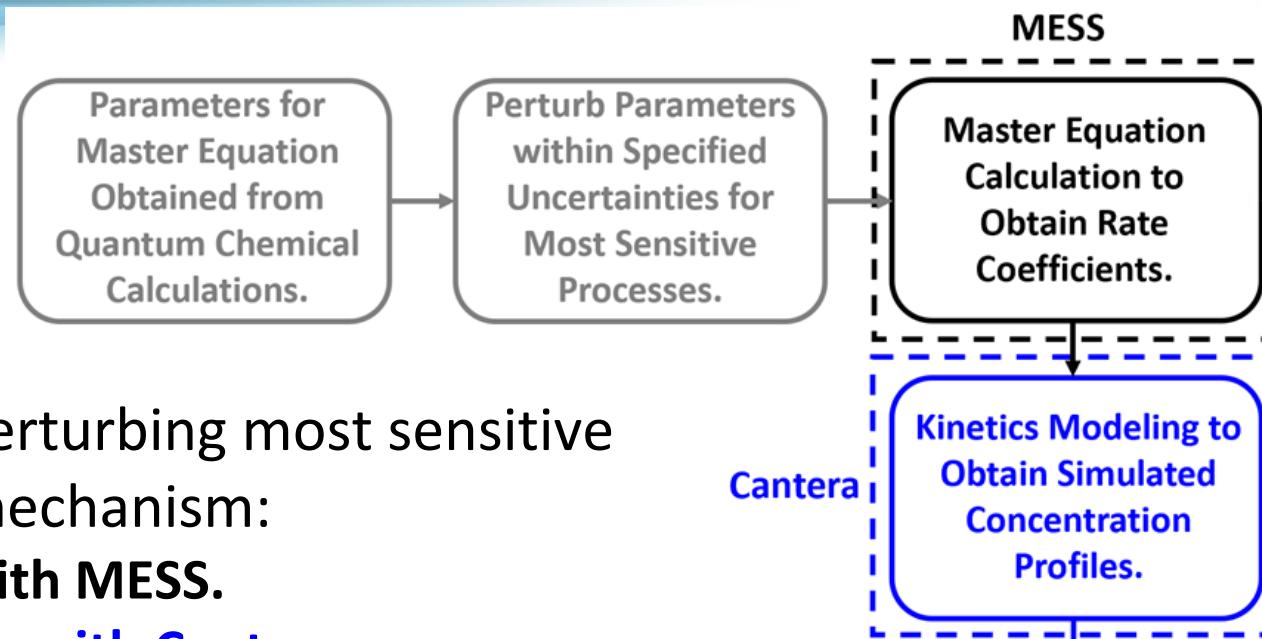
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1st O_2 Addition



Most sensitive parameters impact two rate coefficients.

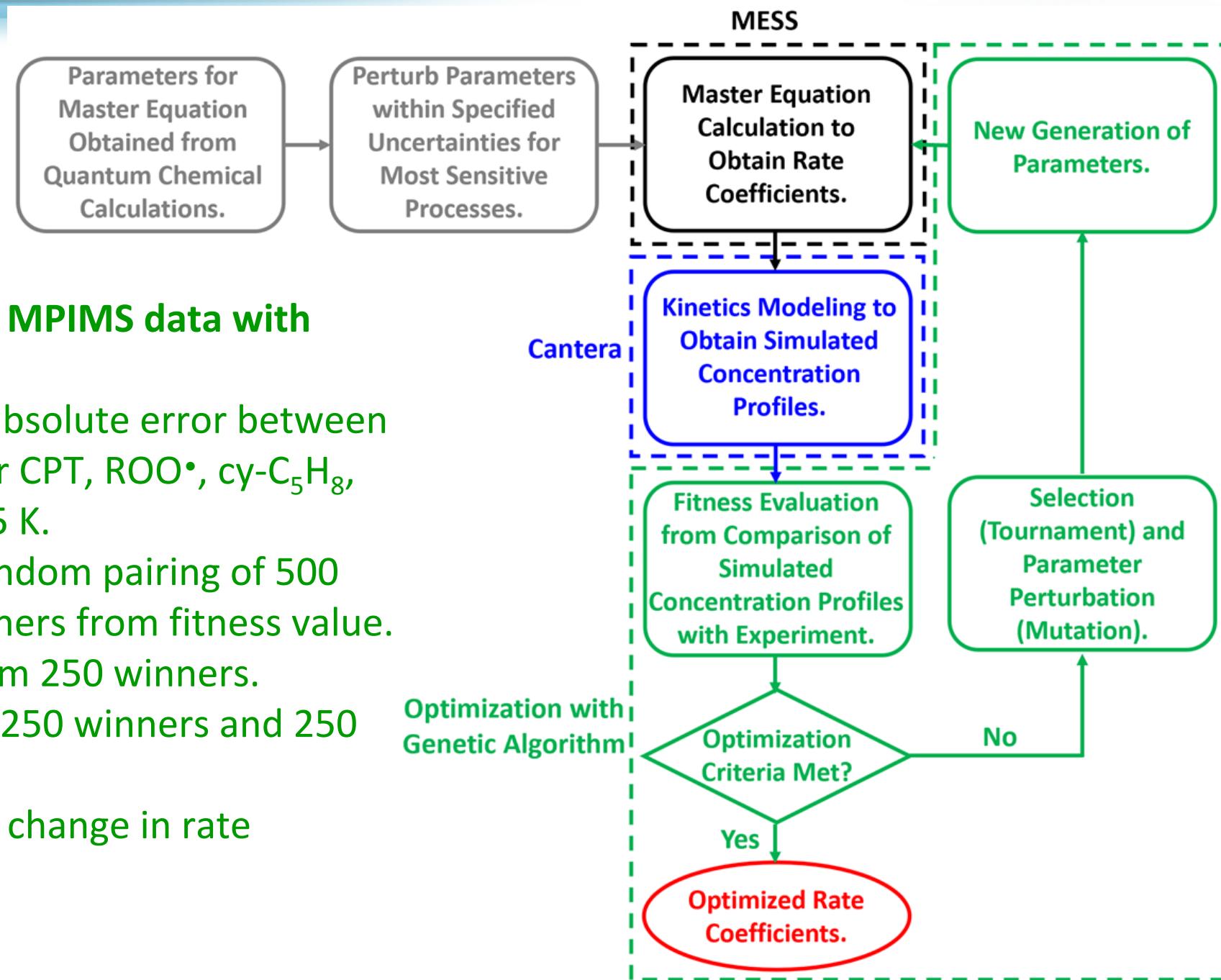
Optimization Workflow:



Create 500 initial models by perturbing most sensitive parameters (16 total) in sub-mechanism:

- 1) Calculate rate coefficients with MESS.
- 2) Model concentration profiles with Cantera.

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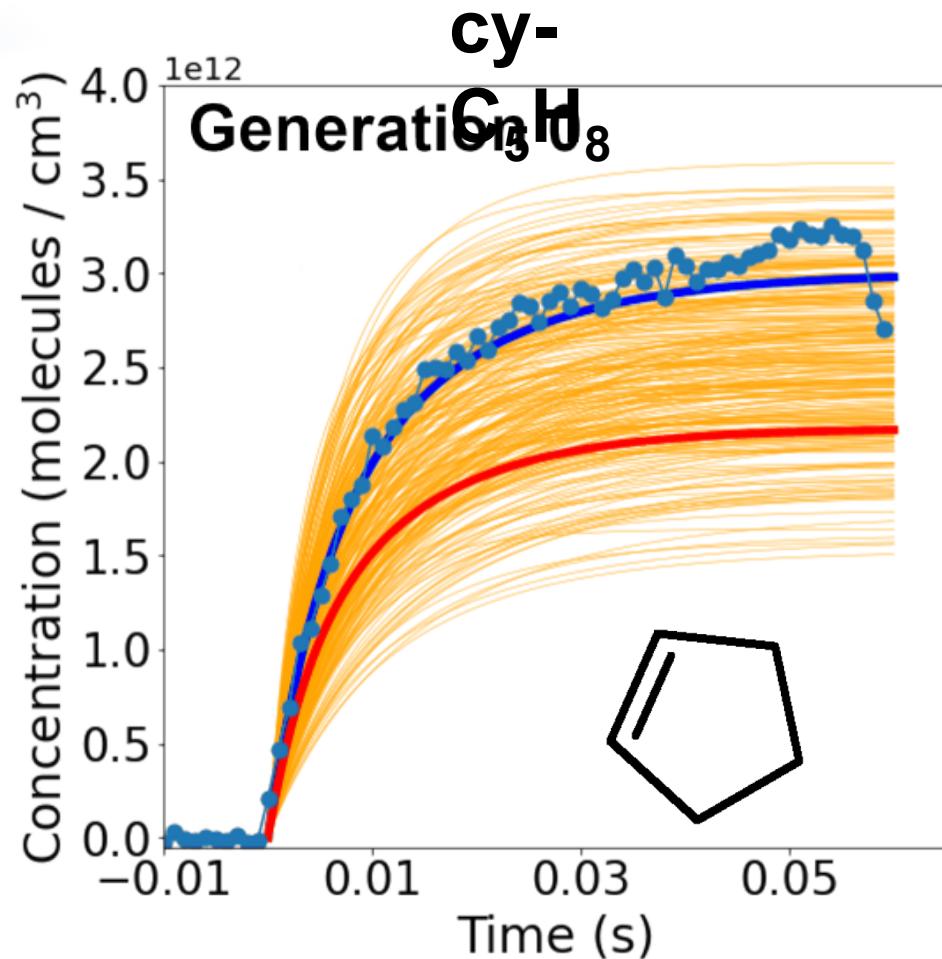


3) Optimize parameters against MPIMS data with genetic algorithm:

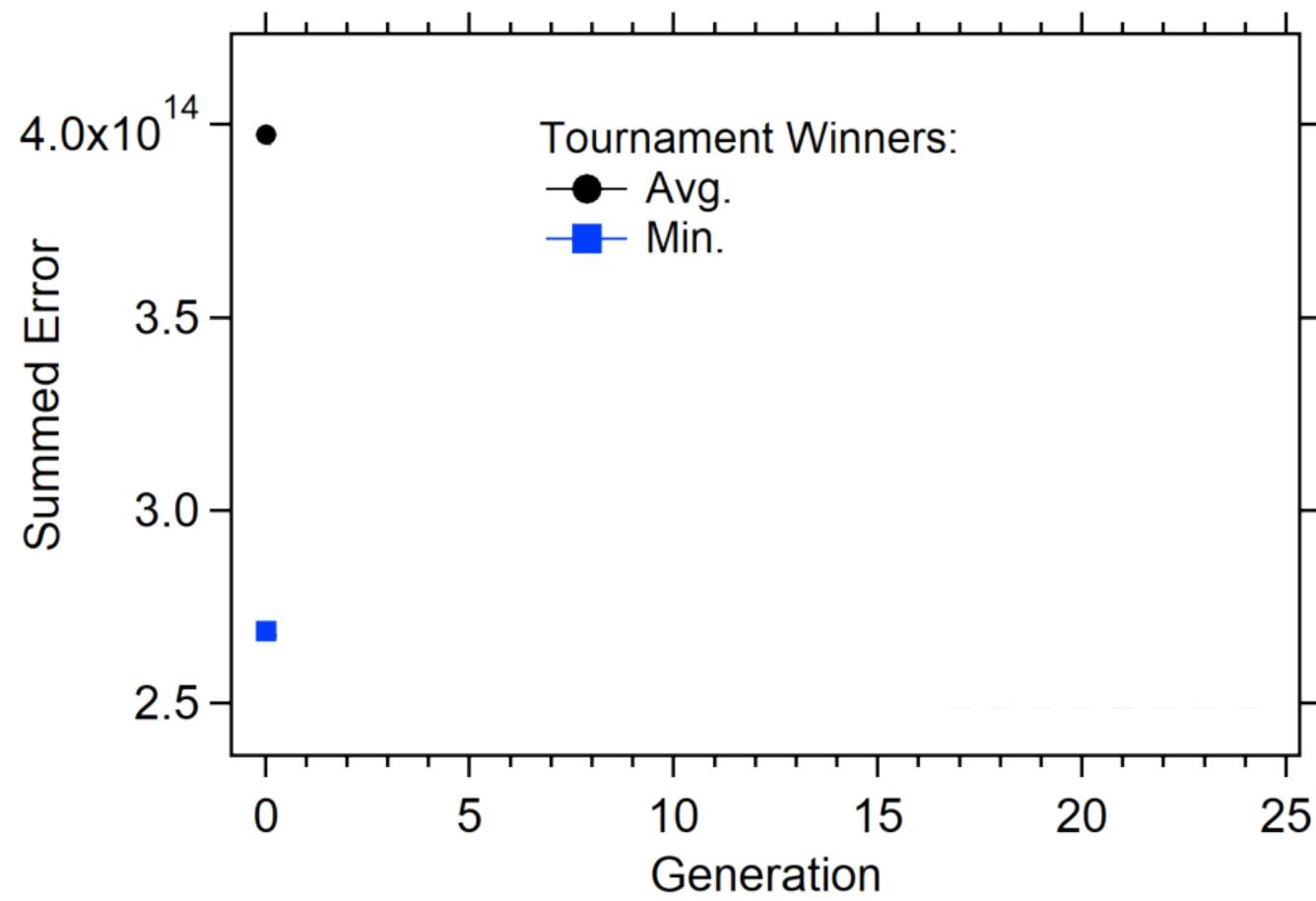
- 1) Fitness value: combined absolute error between model and experiment for CPT, ROO[•], cy-C₅H₈, and •OOQOOH at 450-575 K.
- 2) Tournament selection: random pairing of 500 models and selecting winners from fitness value.
- 3) New models spawned from 250 winners.
- 4) Population replaced with 250 winners and 250 new models.
- 5) Process repeated until no change in rate coefficients.

Genetic Algorithm Optimization

Illustration of optimization for top 250 fits of cy-C₅H₈ at 575 K, 7500 Torr:



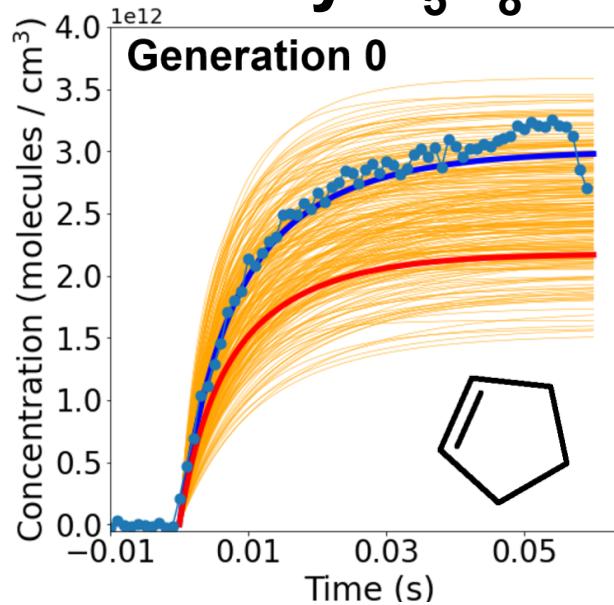
Simultaneous fitting to CPT, ROO[•], cy-C₅H₈ and •OOQOOH at 450, 500, 525, 550, 575 K:



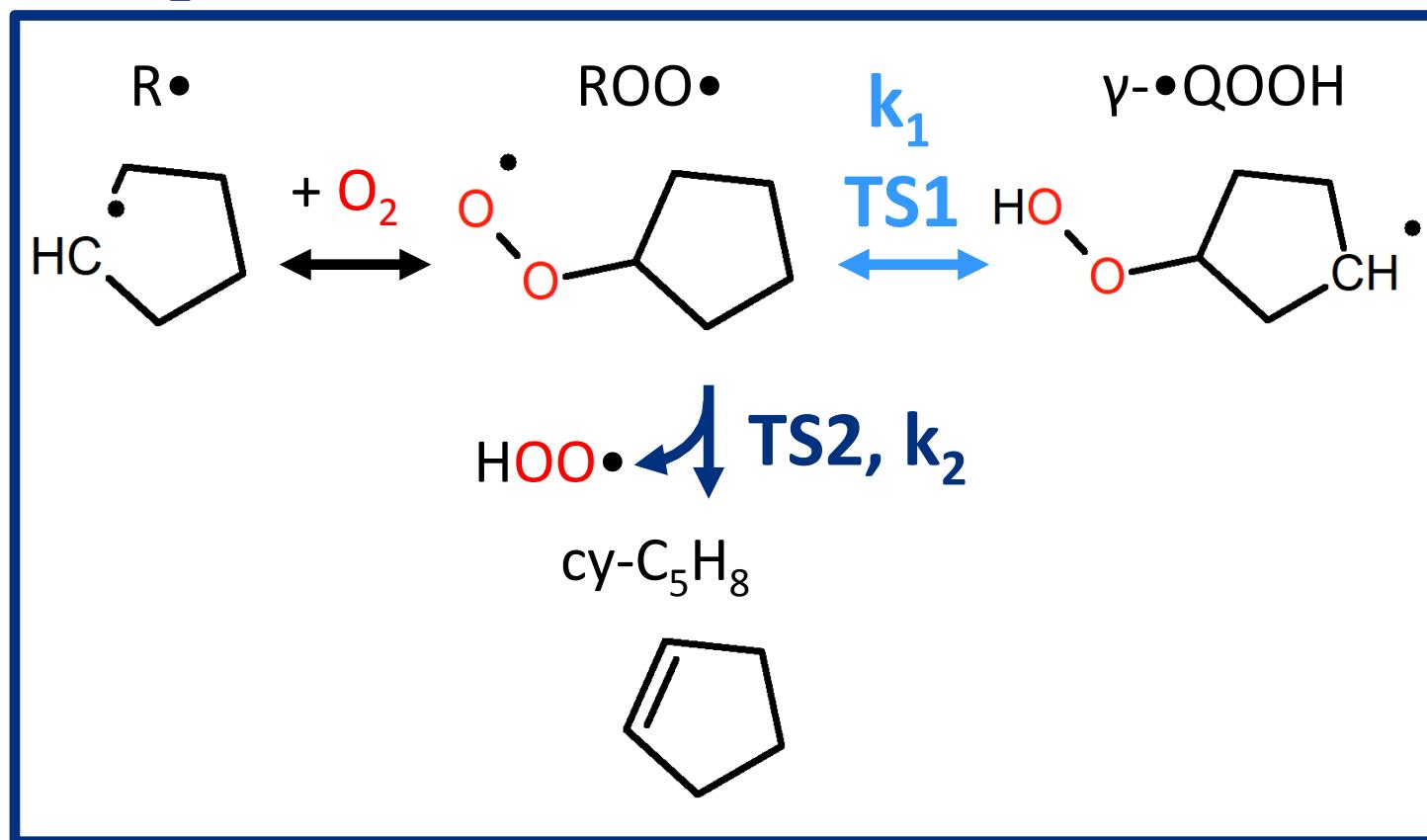
Experiment; Perturbed Models; Original Model; Best Fit Model

cy-C₅H₈

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1st O₂ Addition

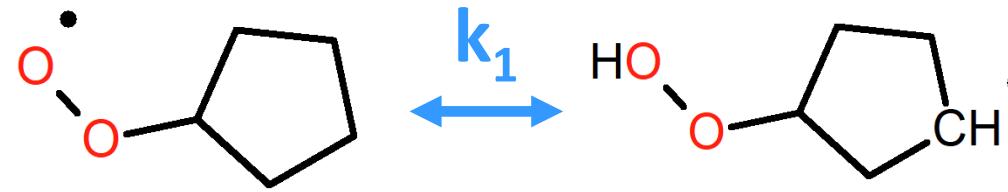


Optimization alters **k_1 (isomerization)** and **k_2 (HO₂ elimination)** to yield higher cy-C₅H₈ concentration.

Experiment; Perturbed Models; Original Model; Best

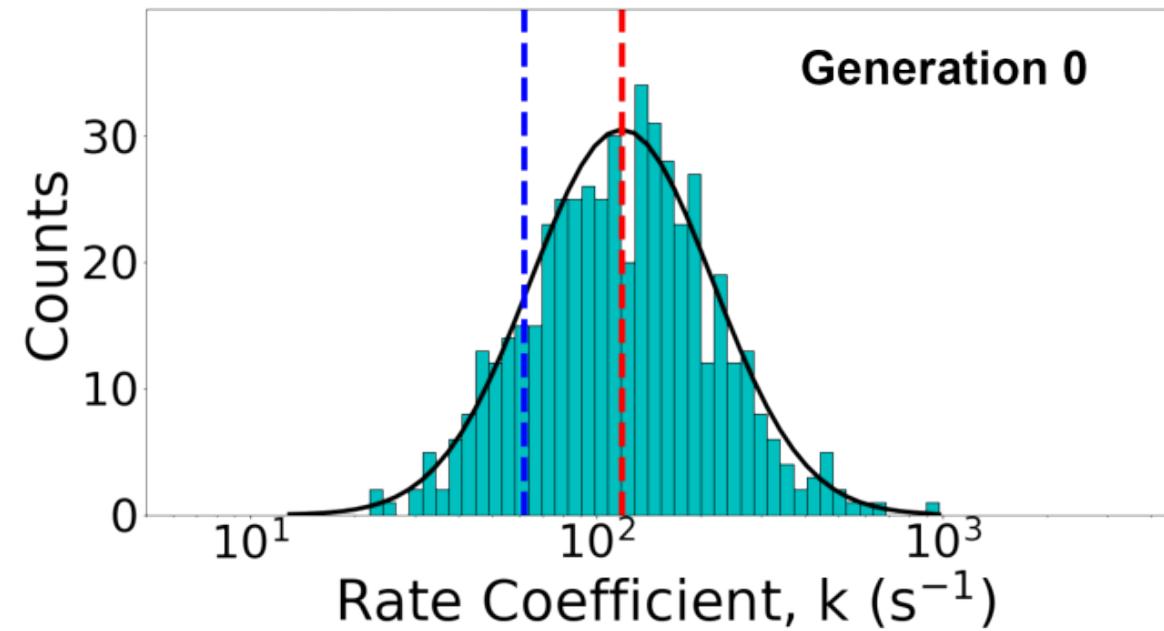
Fit Model

Genetic Algorithm Optimization: Isomerization Reaction

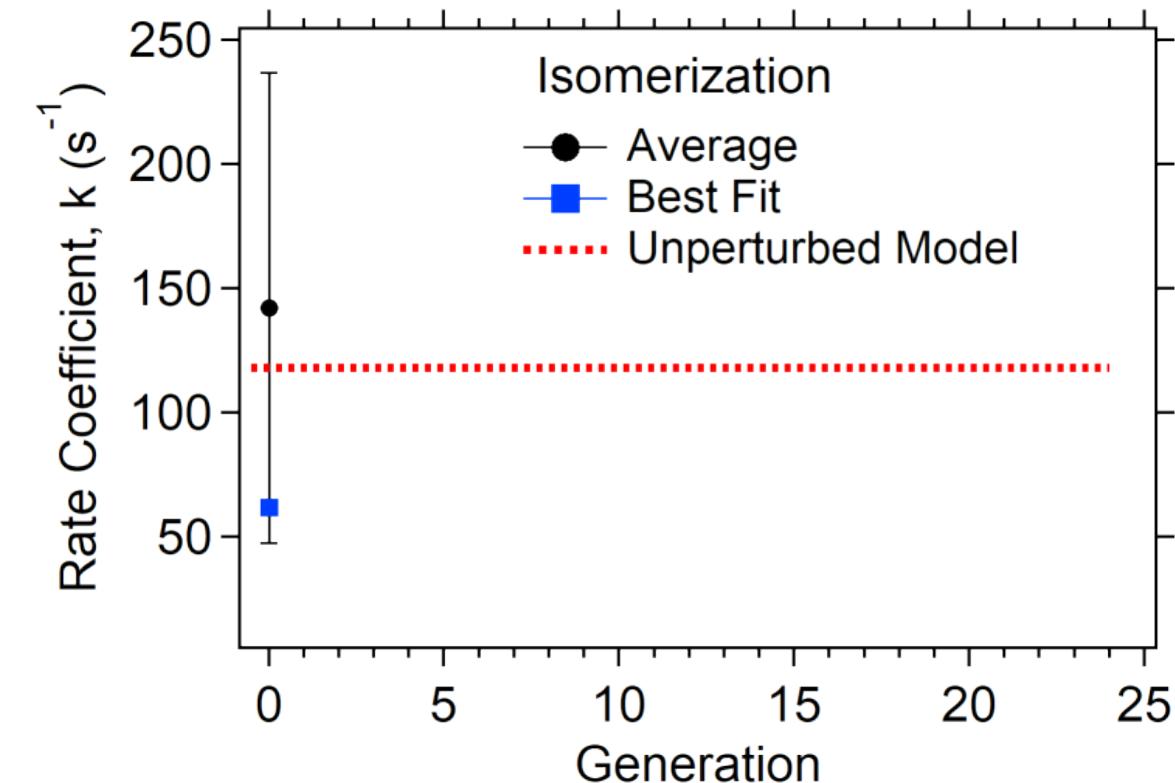


Optimization reduces k_1 by a factor of ~ 2 compared with the original model.

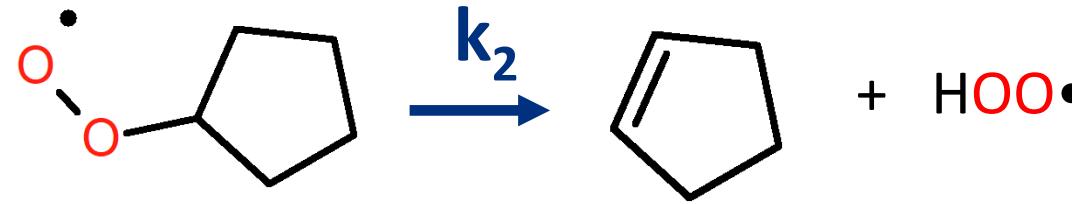
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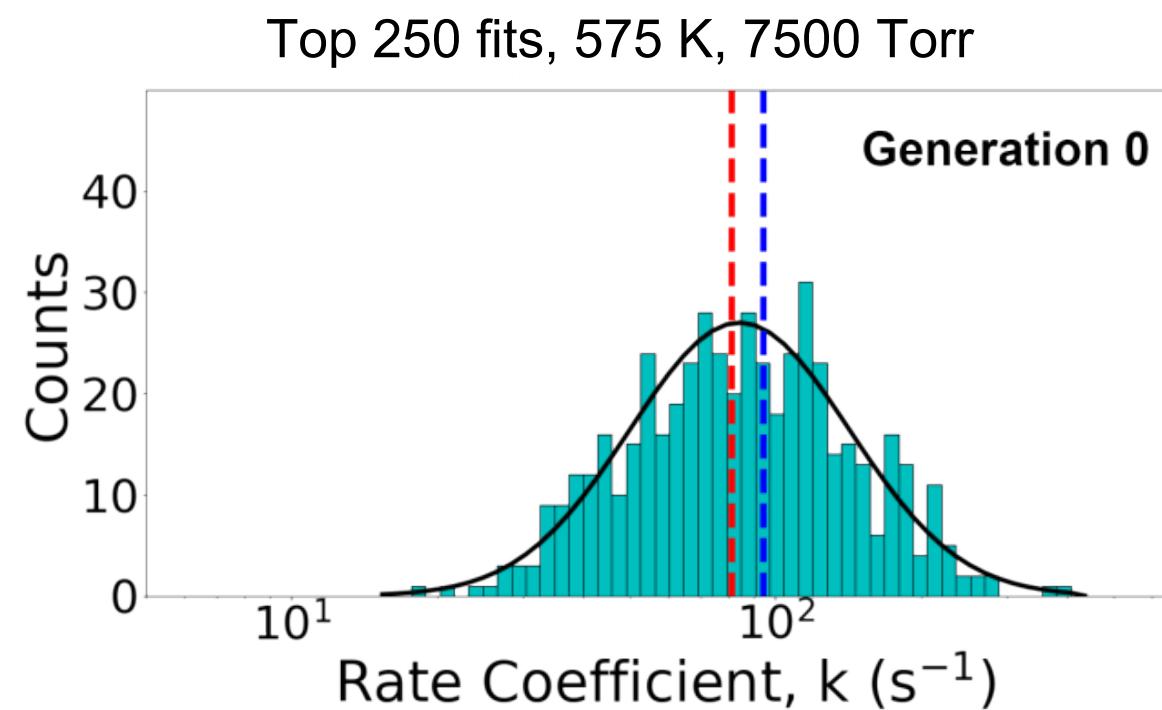
Best fit; original, unperturbed model



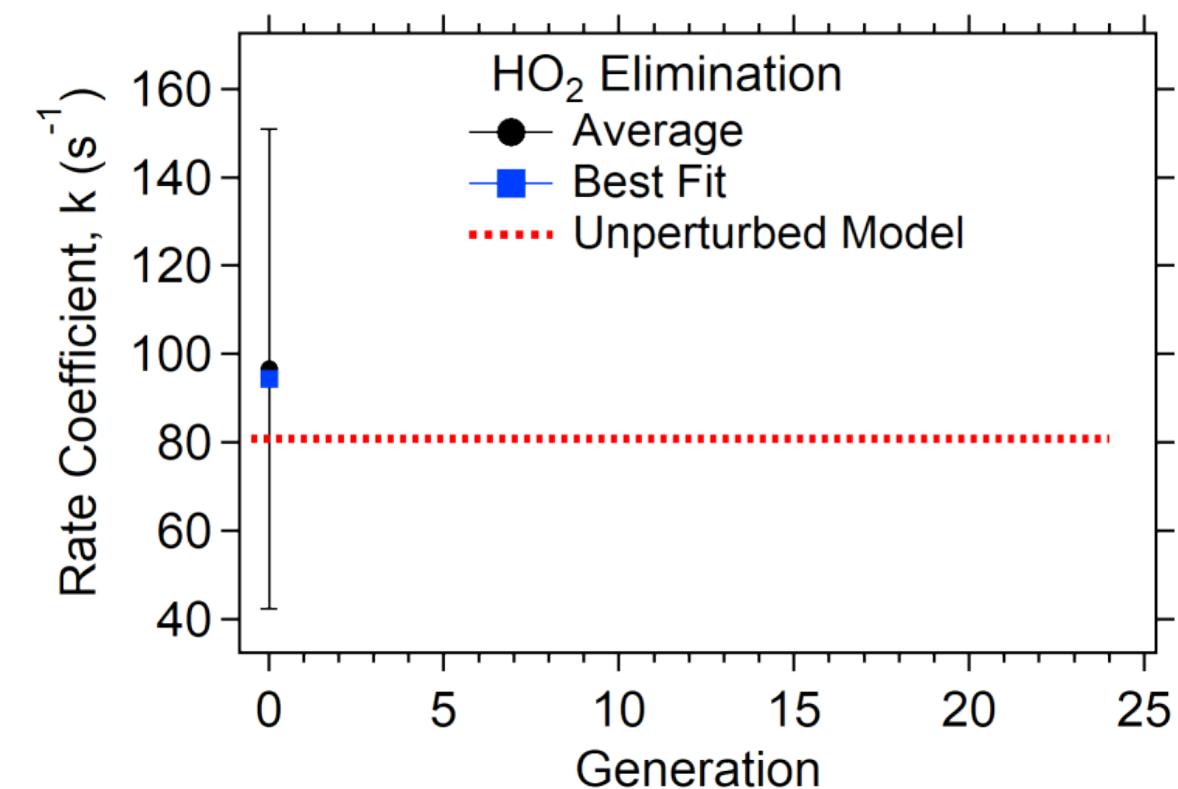
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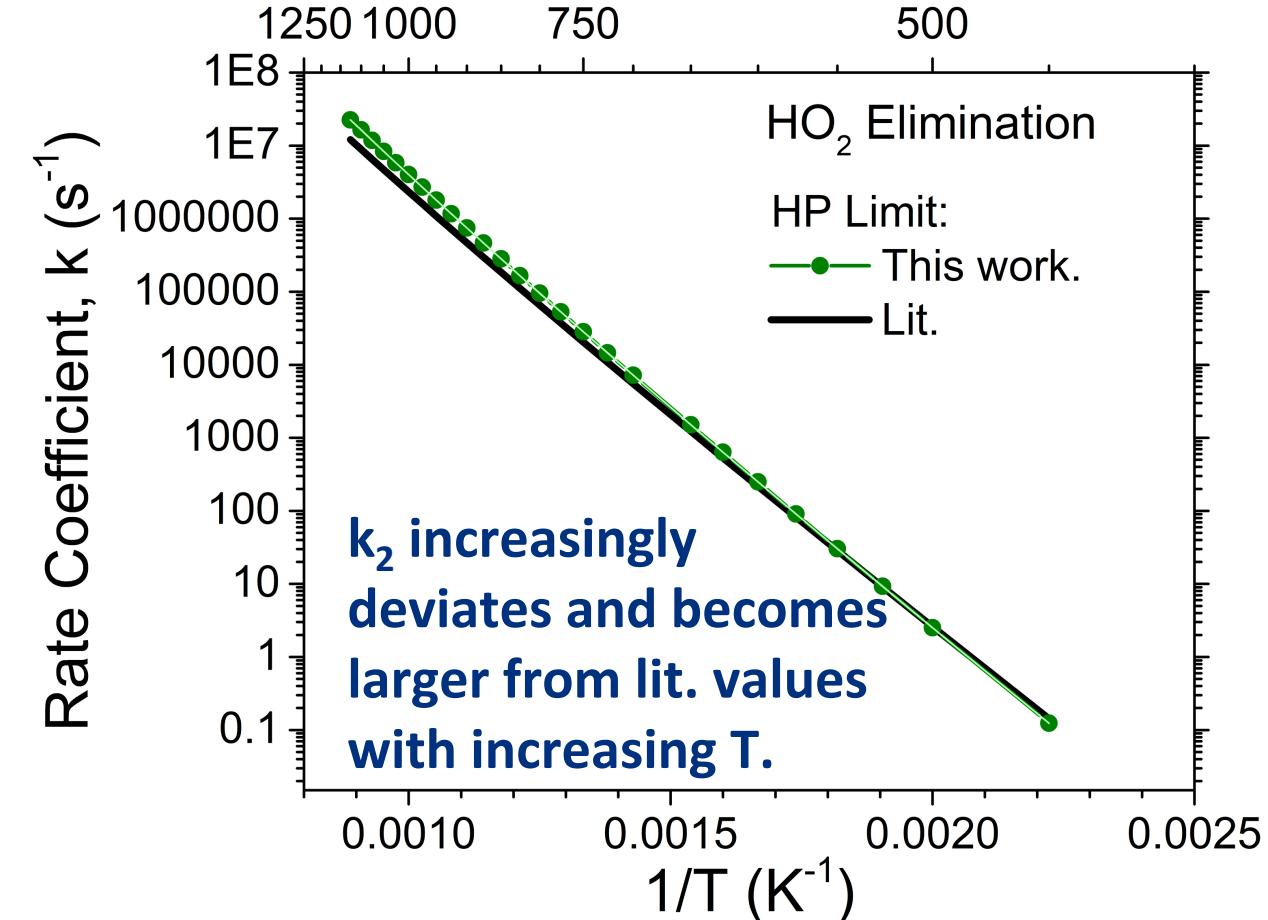
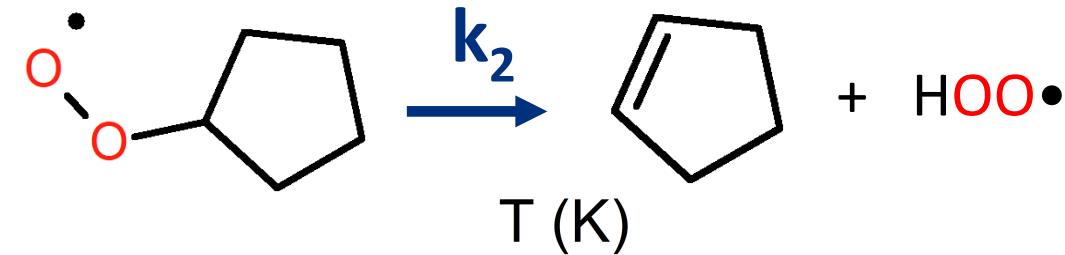
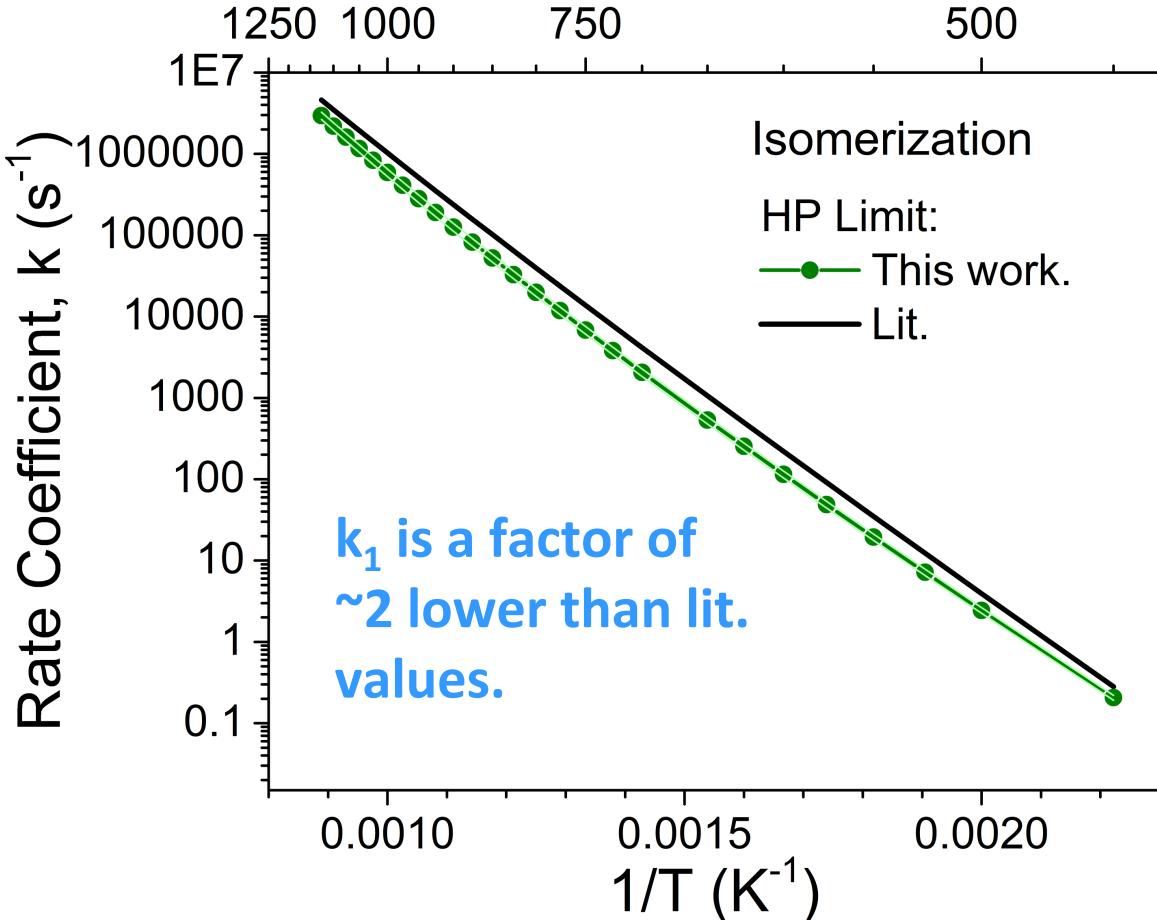
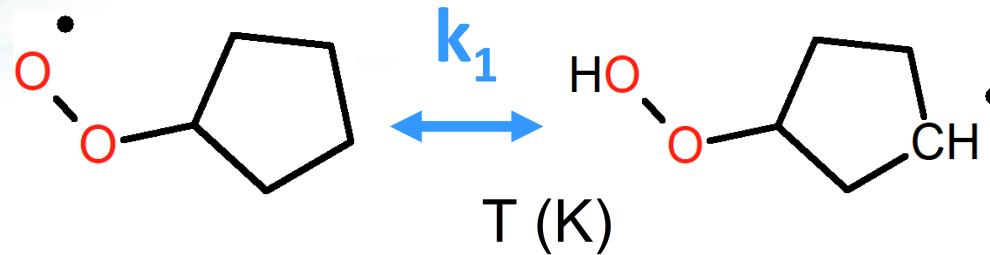
Optimization yields slightly larger k_2 compared with the original model.



Best fit; original, unperturbed model



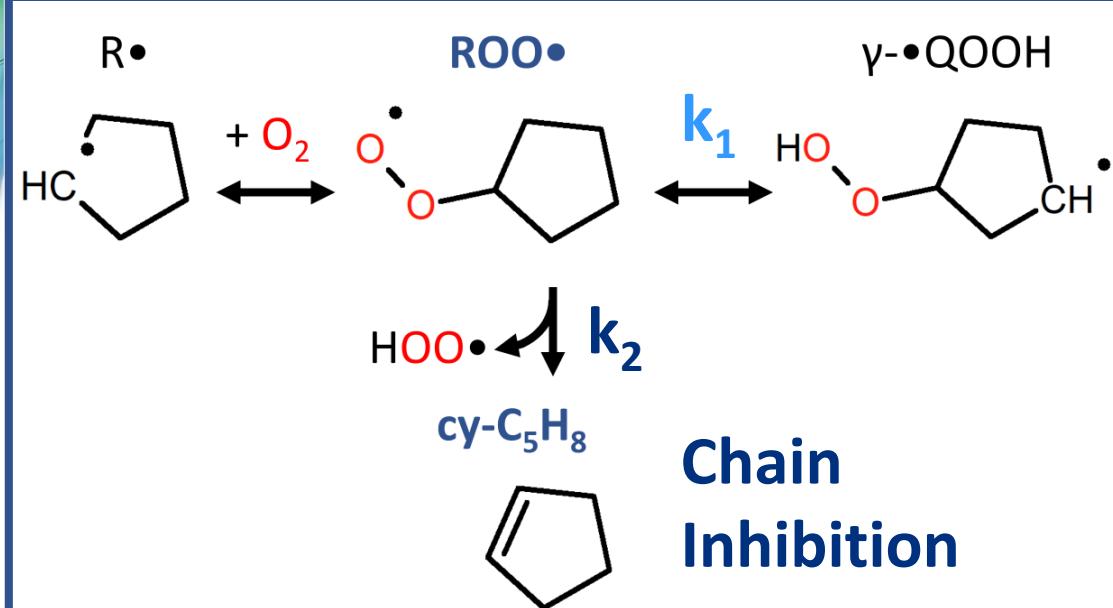
Temperature Dependent Rate Coefficients



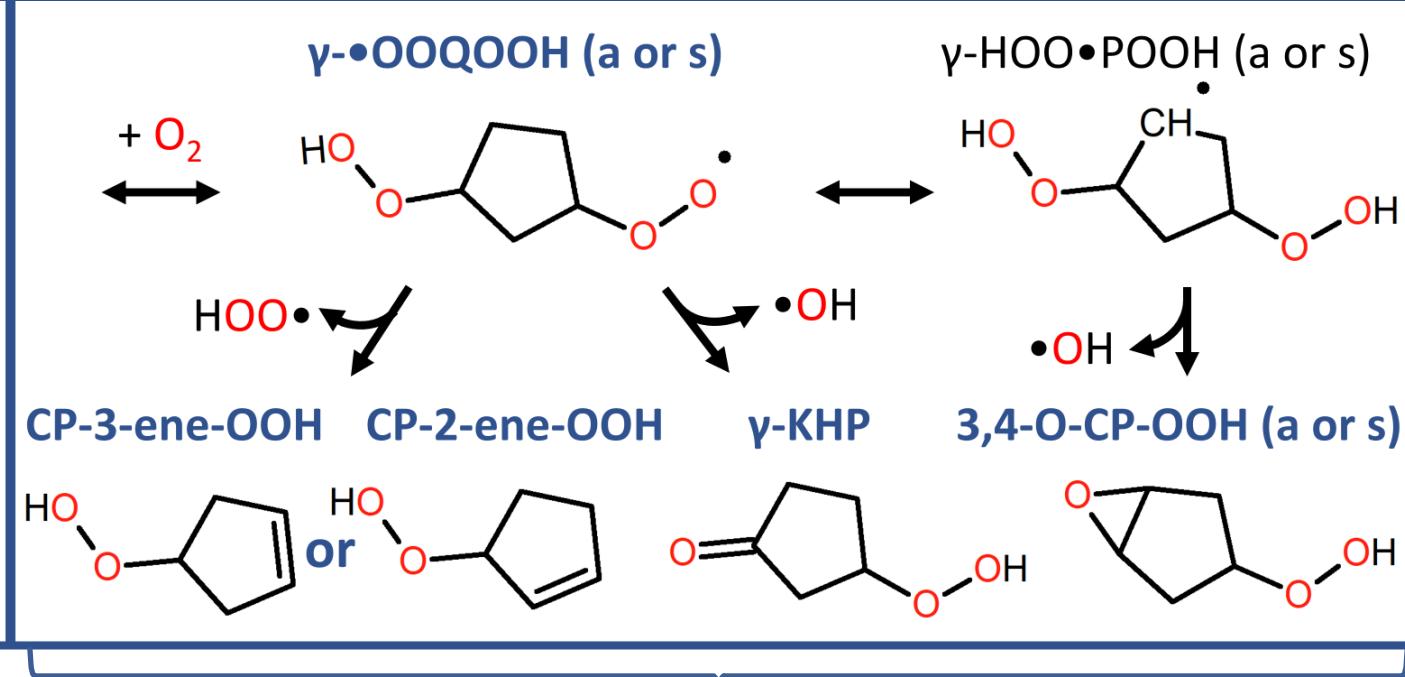
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CPT Low-Temperature Reactivity

1st O₂ Addition



2nd O₂ Addition

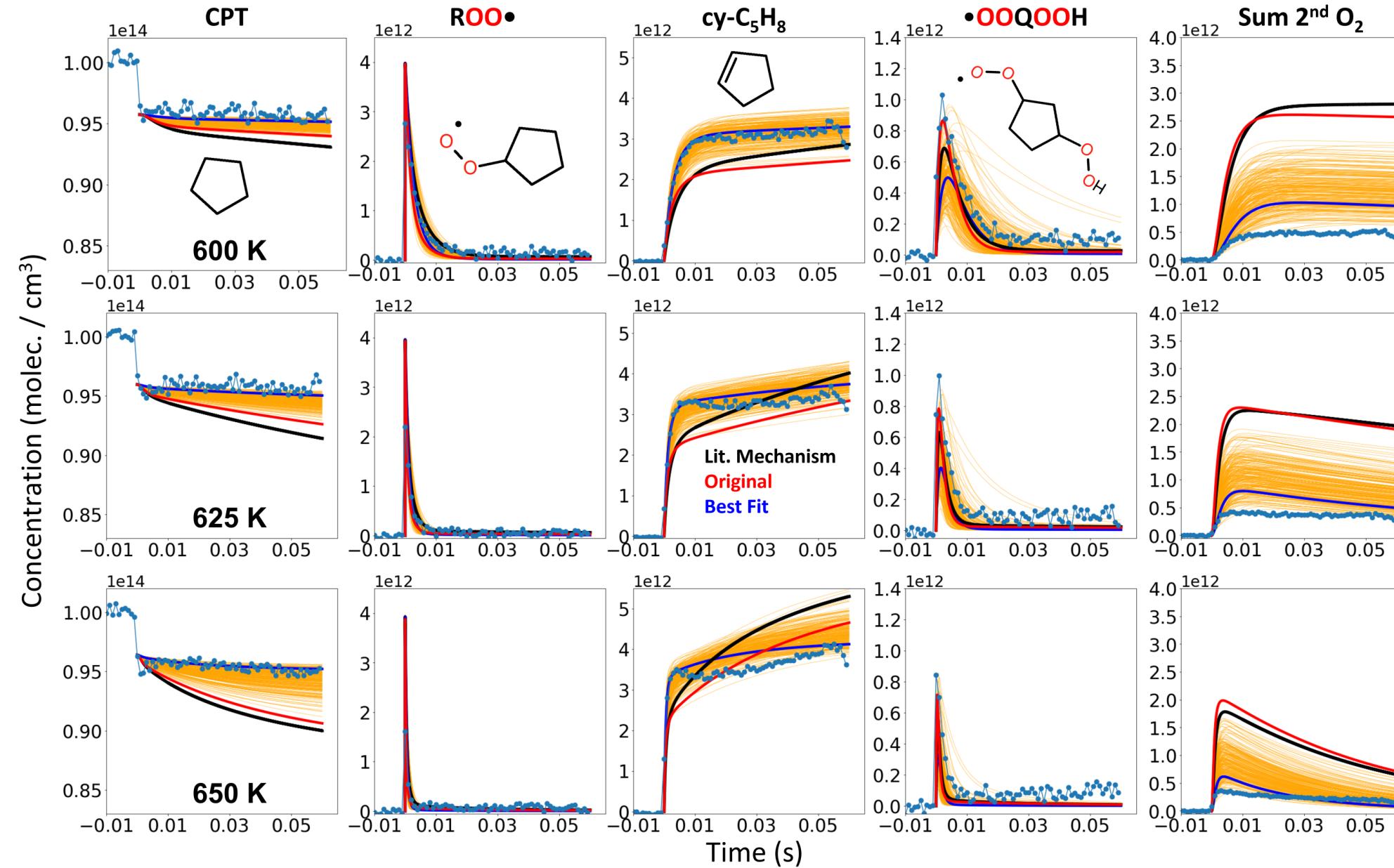


Decomposition of 2nd O₂ Addition Products
 Chain Propagation / Chain Branching

Compared to lit. and original models, optimization yields:

- Smaller k_1 ; reduces flux into chain propagating and branching pathways.
- Larger k_2 at high T; further increases flux into chain inhibiting pathway.

Evaluation Against High Temperature MPIMS Data



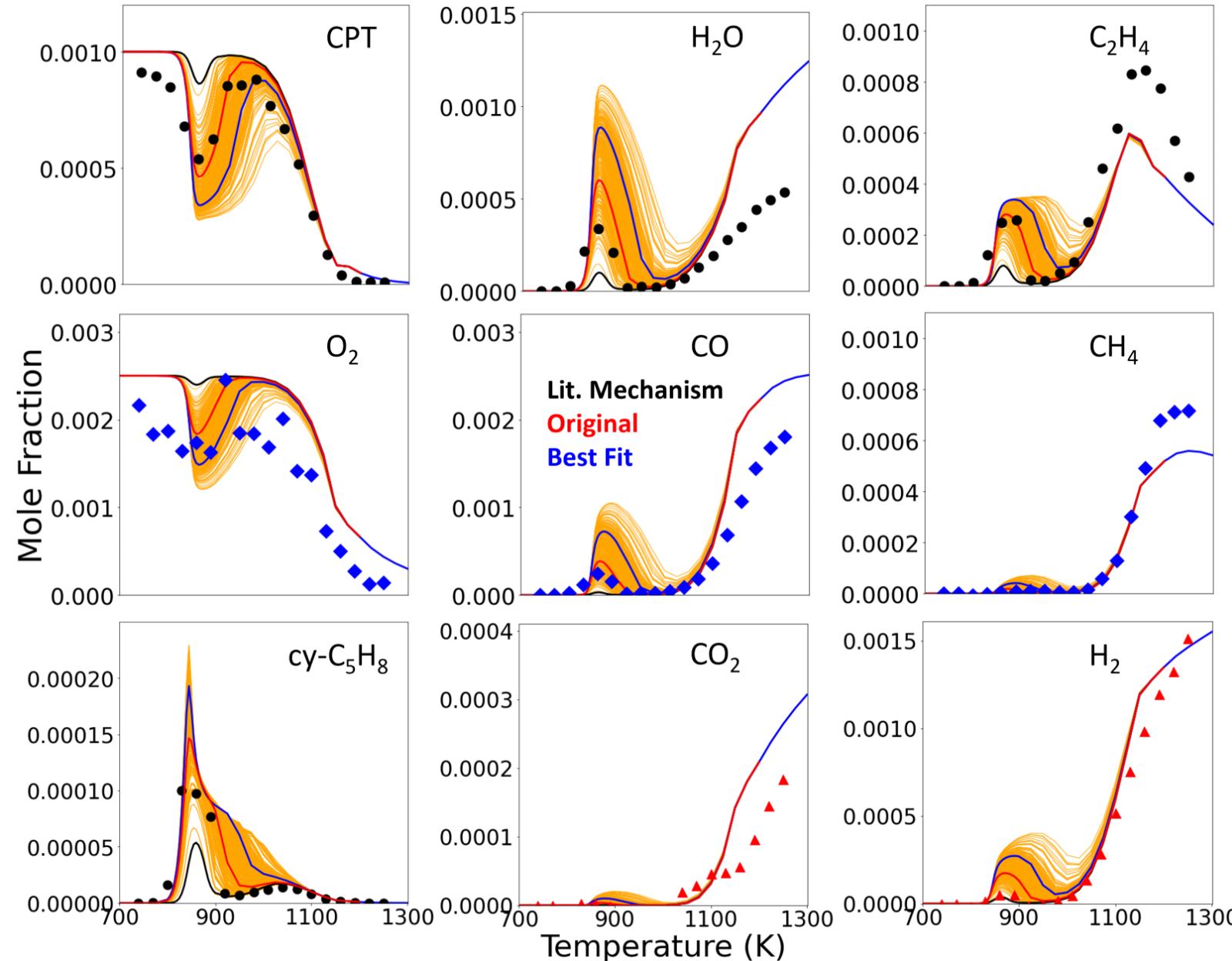
Top 250 optimized models:

- Reproduce cy-C₅H₈ concentration significantly better compared with lit. and original models.

- Perform better than lit. and original models in capturing 2nd O₂ addition products and CPT consumption.

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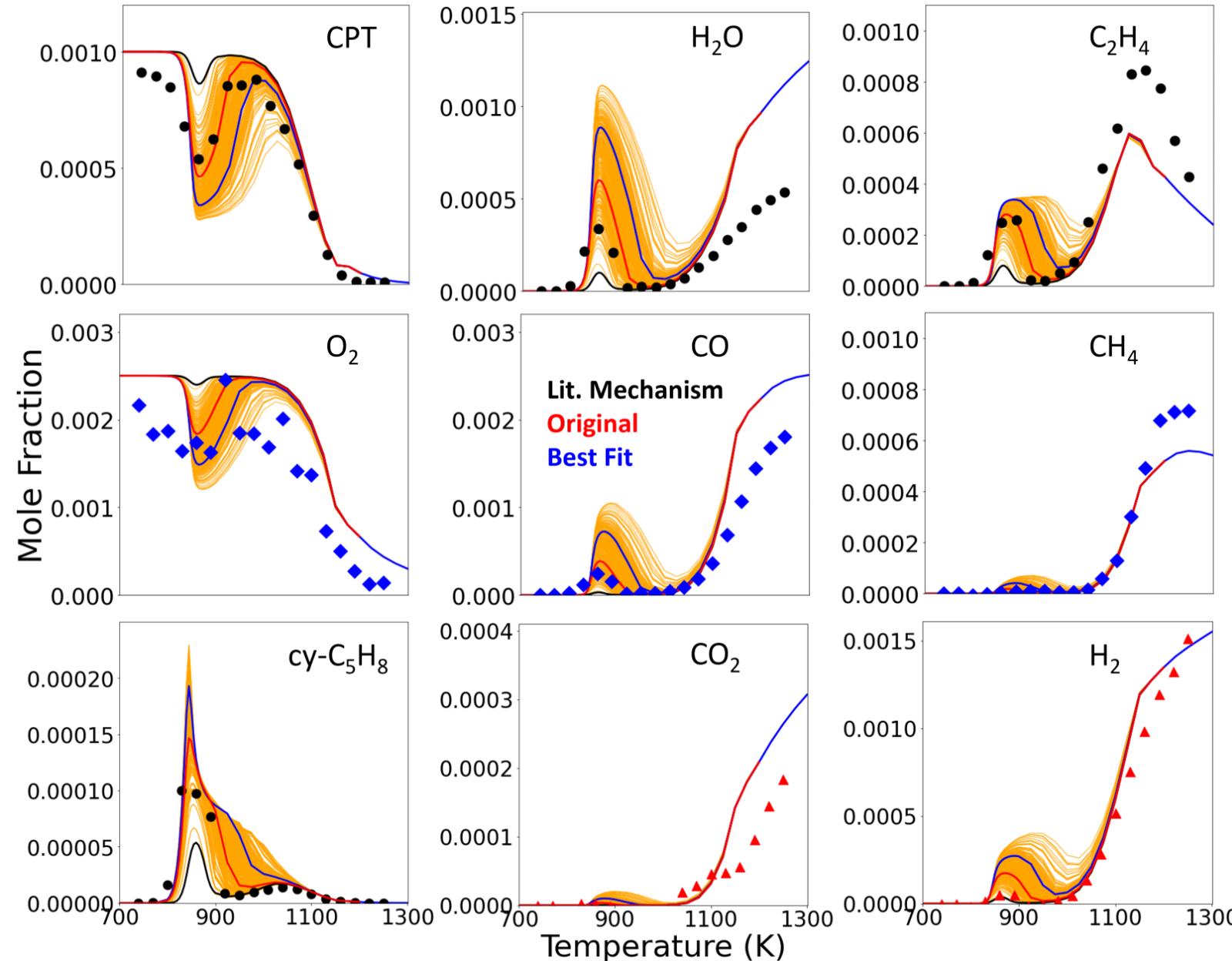
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Fuel/air equivalence ratio = 3.
Pressure: 10 atm

- Inhibition in CPT reactivity at 850 – 1000 K.
- Models exhibit a wide range of behavior, but generally do better than lit. mechanism.

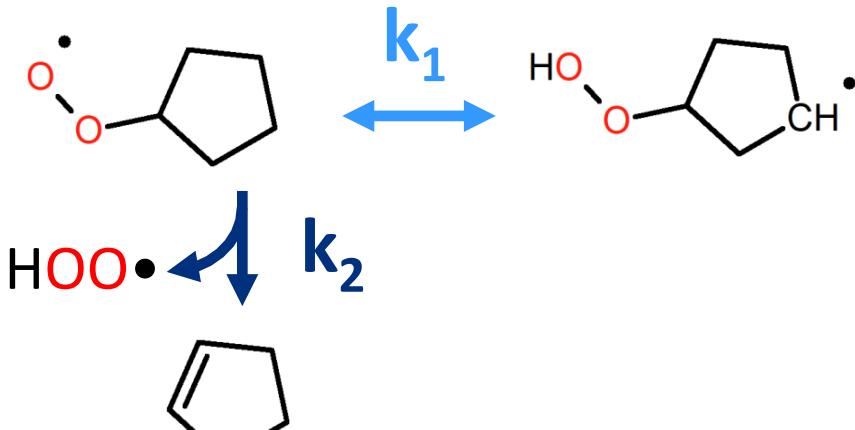
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- At fuel rich conditions, not much HO₂ produced.
- At high T, HO₂ reacts with allyl in OH producing pathways, which increases CPT reactivity.

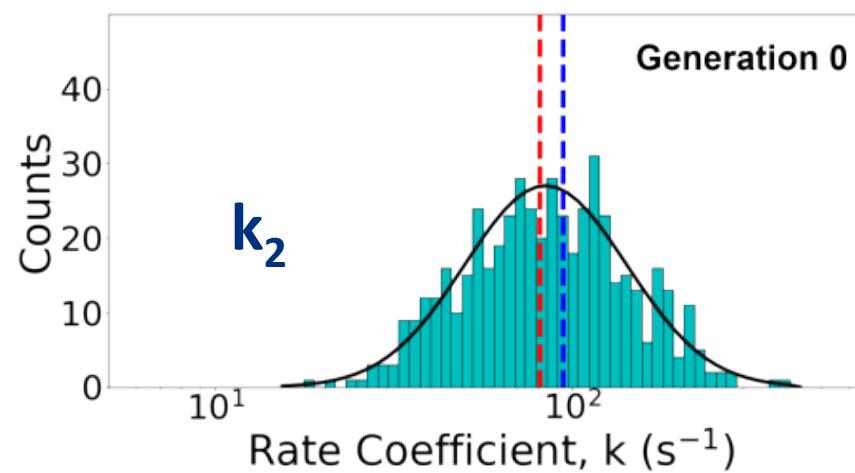
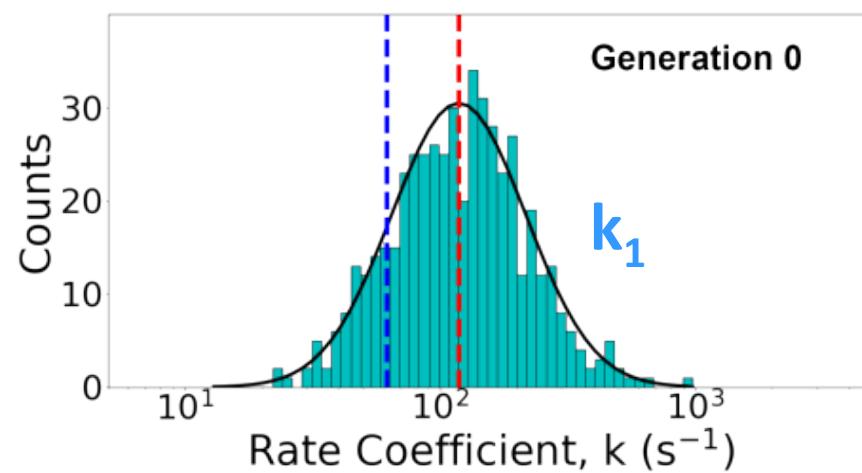
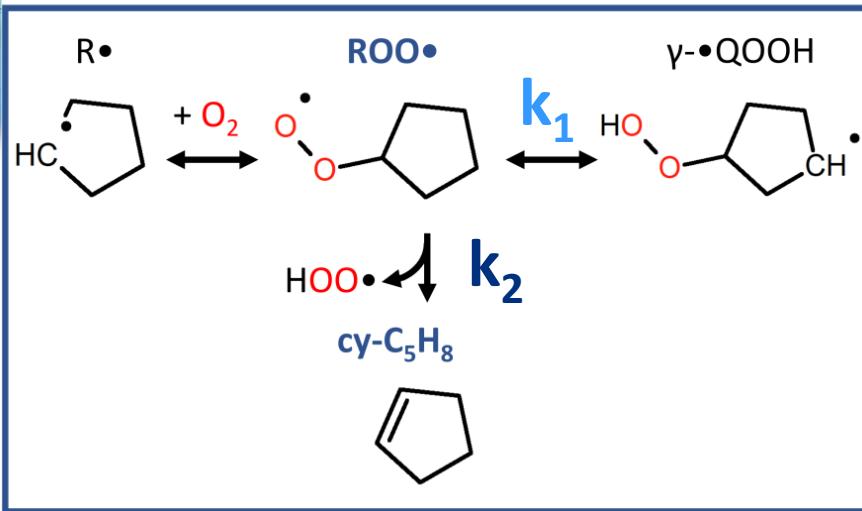


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Conclusions

- Unique approach using genetic algorithm to optimize most sensitive quantum chemistry parameters within expected uncertainties against time-resolved data.
 - Self-consistent perturbation, allows for model extrapolation beyond experimental conditions.
- Rate coefficients for two key reactions constrained improving model accuracy and agreement with experiment.

1st O₂ Addition



- Effects of parameter uncertainties on model outcomes illustrated.

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