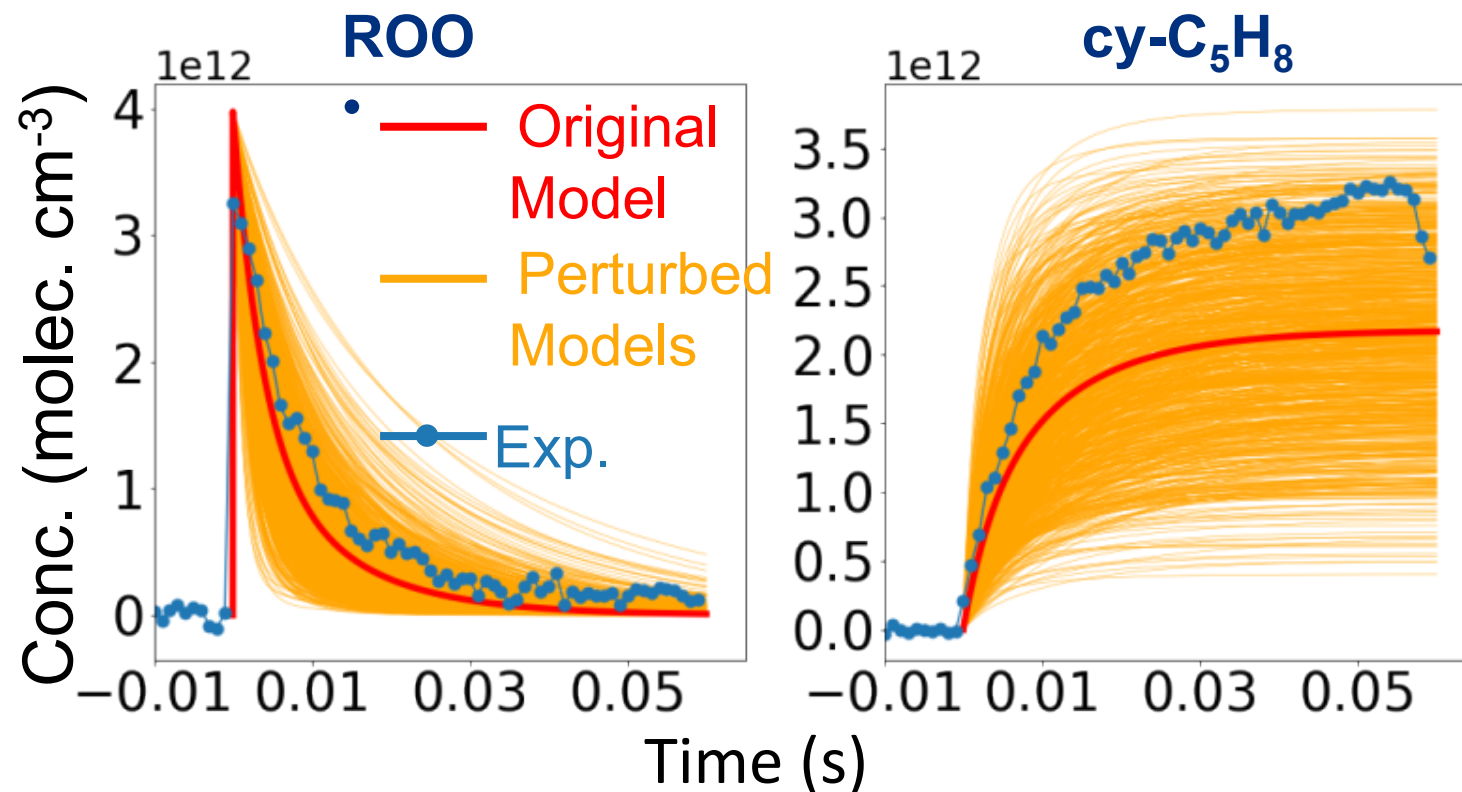
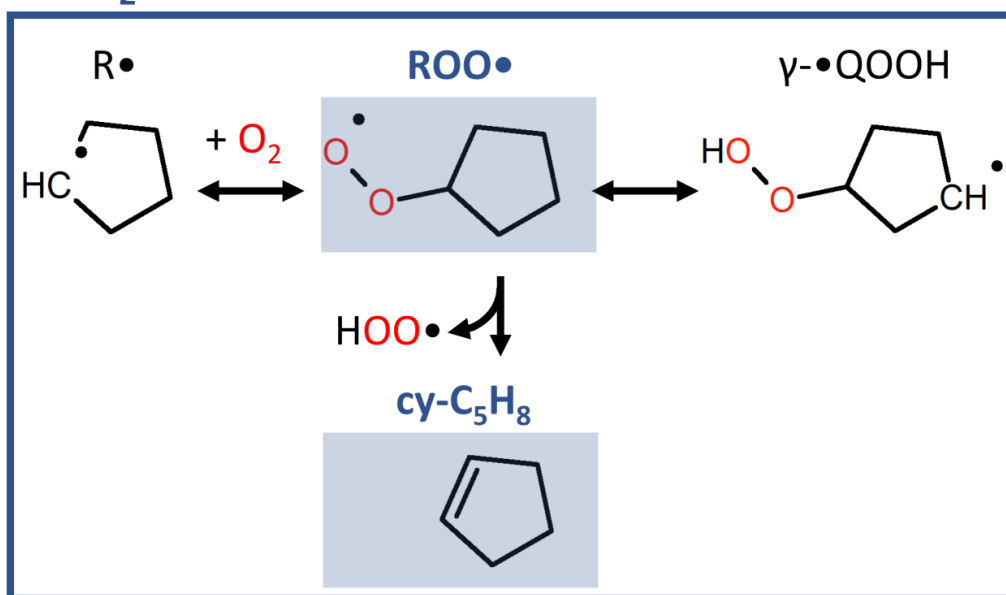


# A Low-Temperature Cyclopentane Oxidation Kinetics Model: Optimization of A Theory-Based Sub-Mechanism Against Experiment

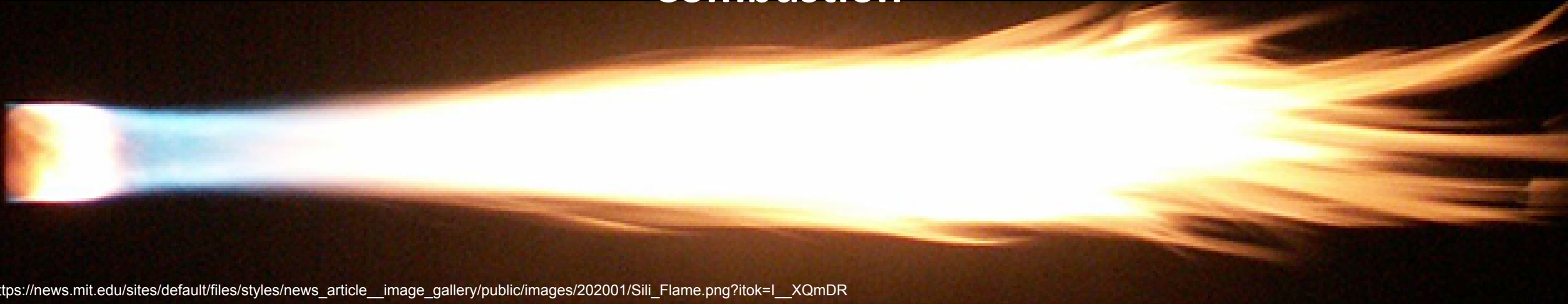
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# Combustion



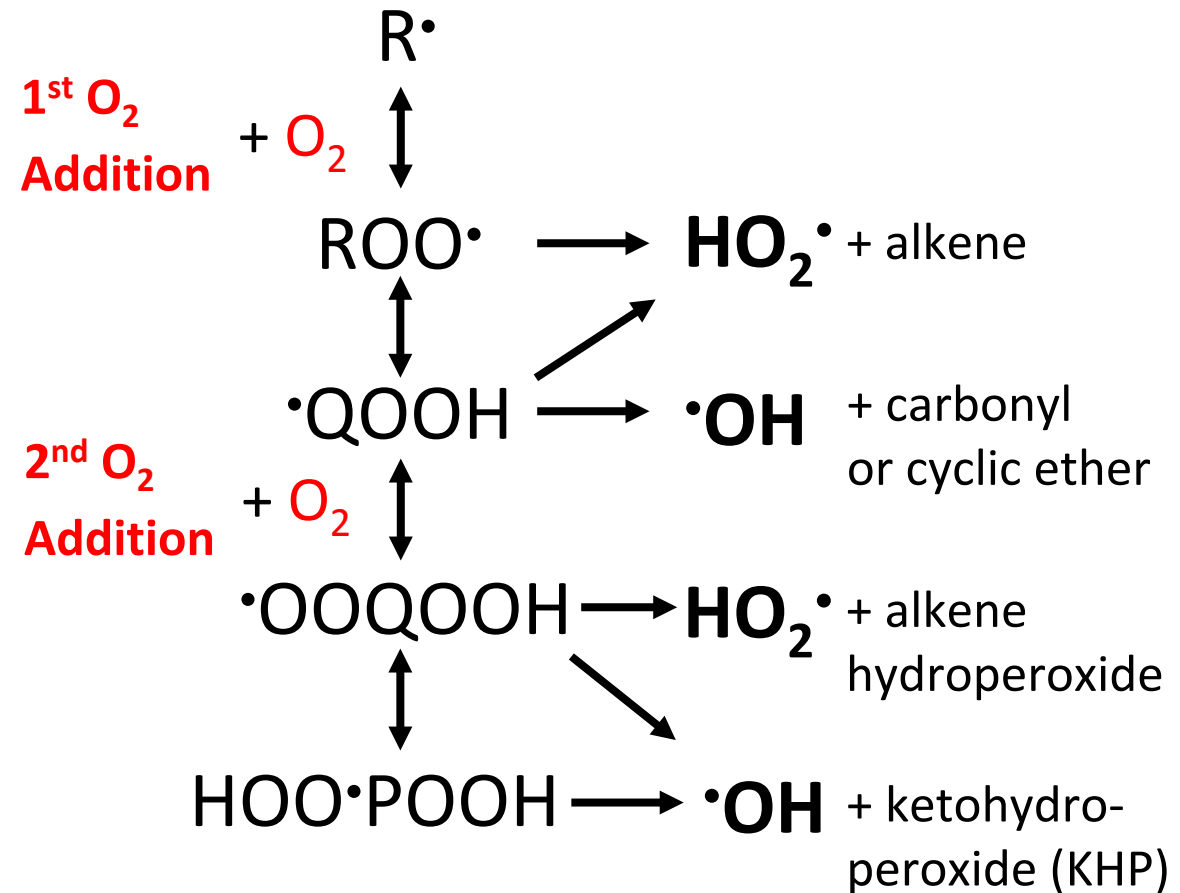
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- Major motivation for combustion research is to develop advanced fuels and technologies that improve engine efficiencies and lower pollutant emissions.
- Low-temperature (LT) combustion engines are one recent promising innovation.
  - Aim to convert 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 ~1000 K) Combustion

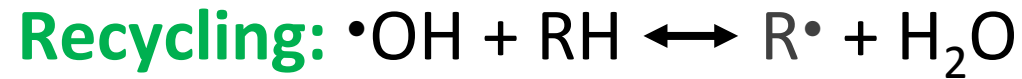
Hydrocarbon fuel: RH

Initiation:  $\cdot\text{OH} + \text{RH} \leftrightarrow \text{R}\cdot + \text{H}_2\text{O}$



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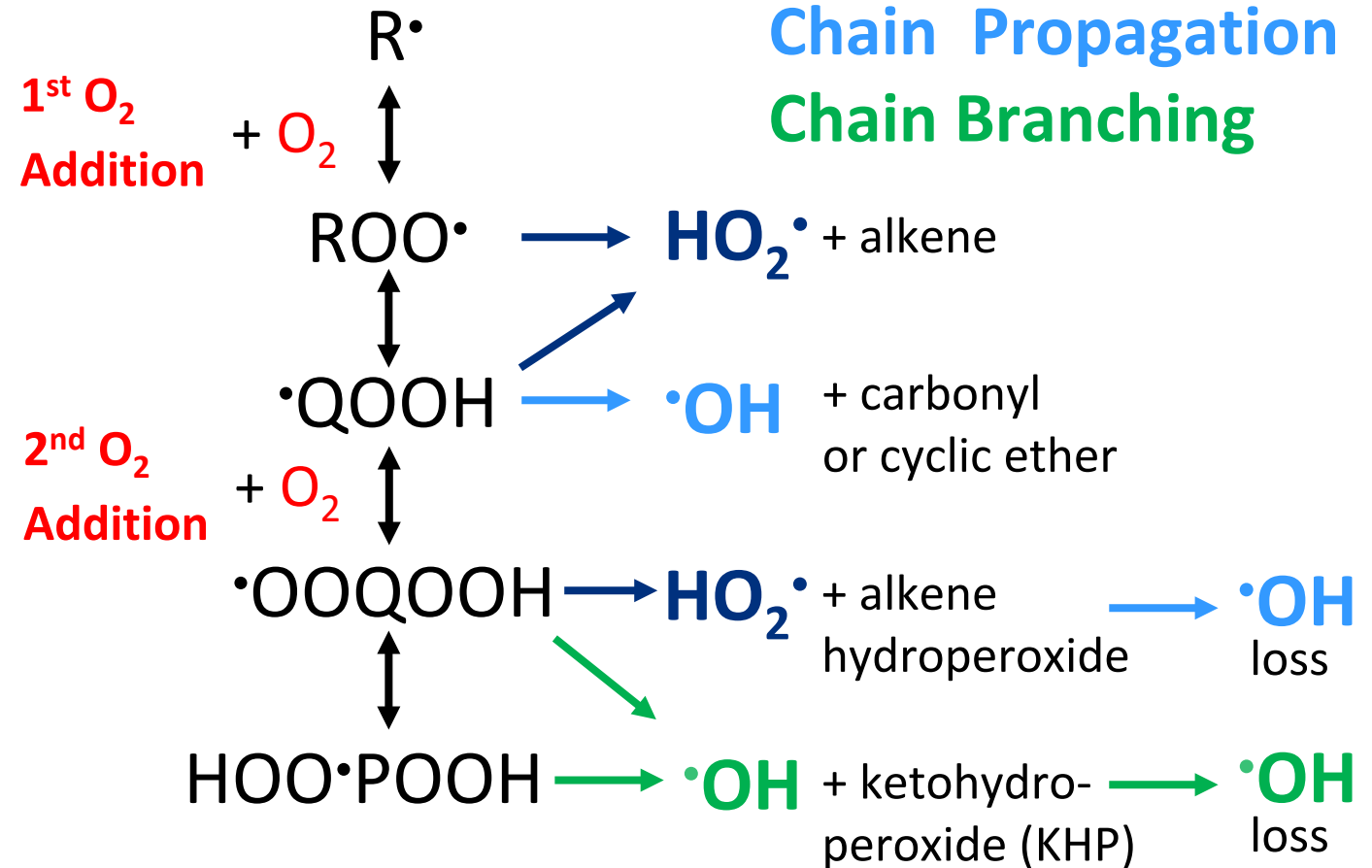
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**Chain Inhibition**

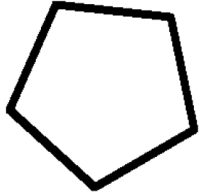
**Chain Propagation**

**Chain Branching**



# Cyclopentane (CPT) Oxidation

Cyclopentane (CPT)

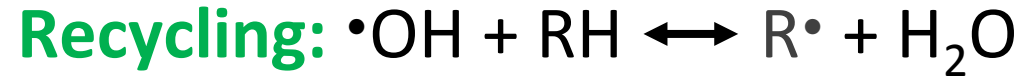


Simple model system:

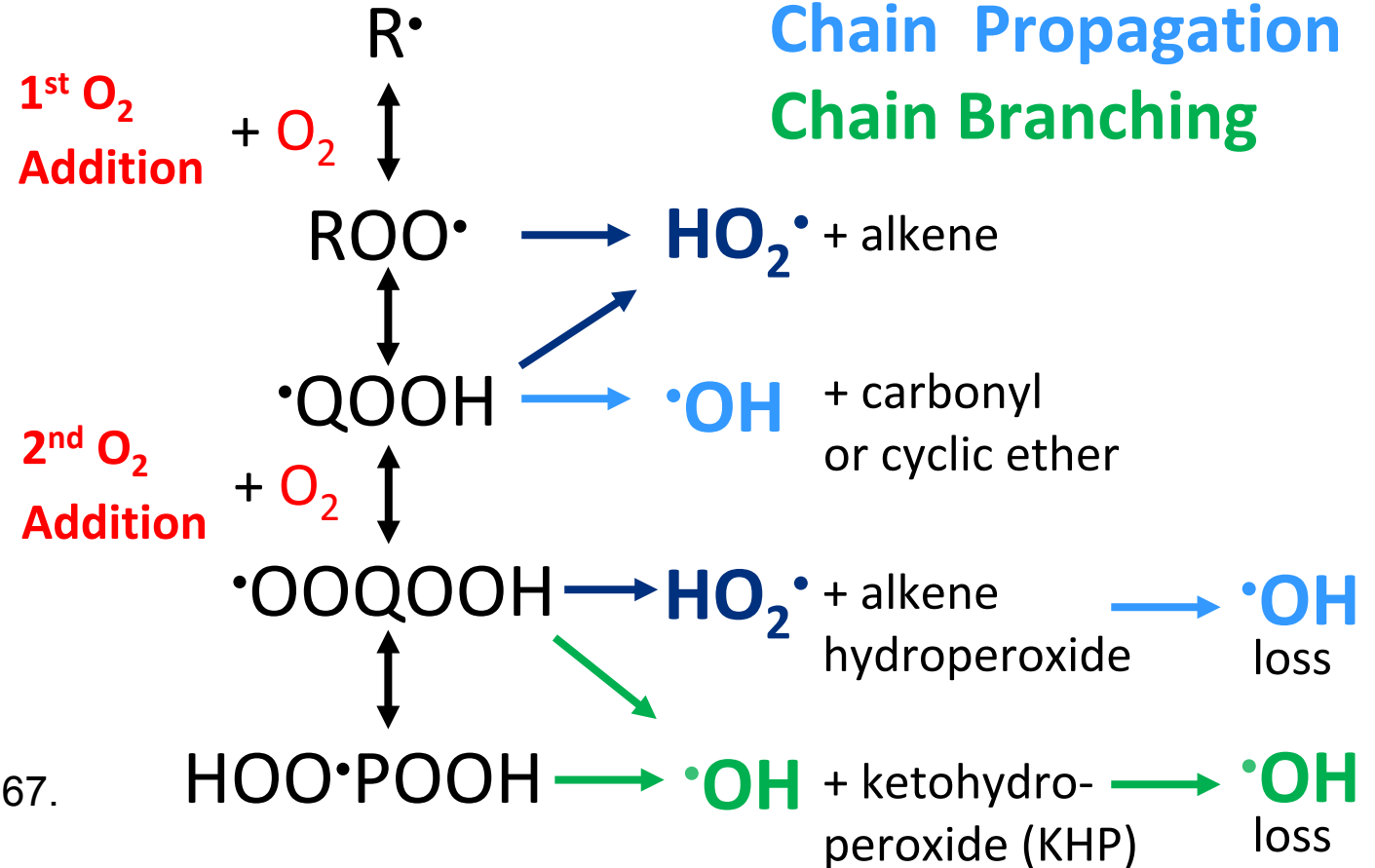
- Exhibits typical alkane oxidation pathways.
- Symmetrical structure results in single initial isomer.
- Reactivity dominated by chain inhibition.
- Intermediates and products have been quantified.

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Hydrocarbon fuel: RH

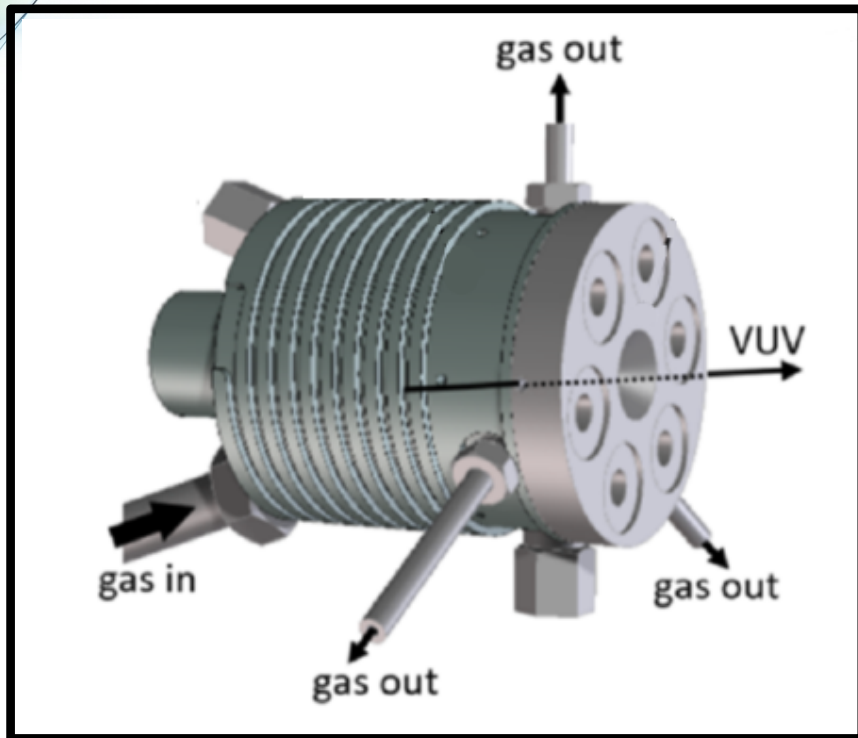


**Chain Inhibition**  
**Chain Propagation**  
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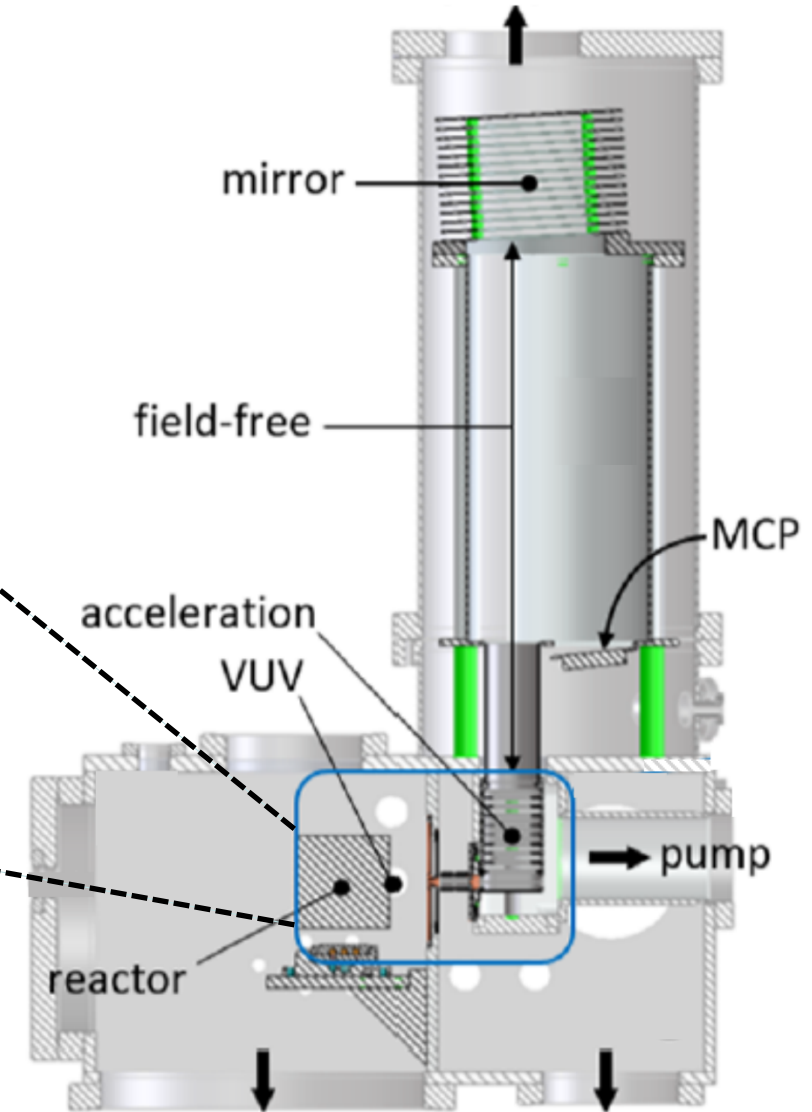




# Multiplexed Photoionization Mass Spectrometry (MPIMS)

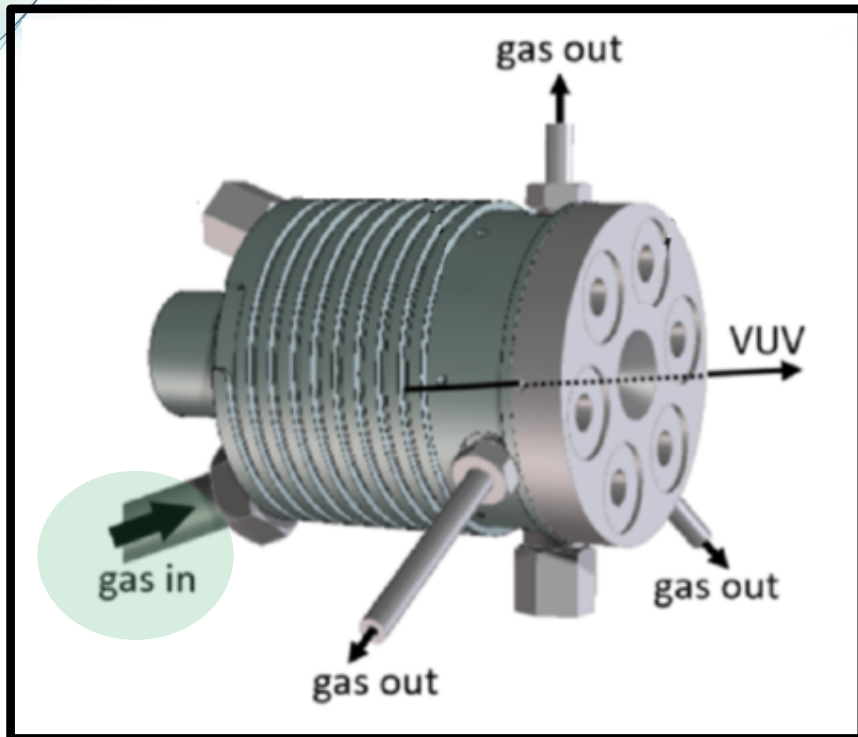


High-pressure photolysis reactor.



Sheps, Antonov, *Au JPCA*, **2019**, 123, 10804.

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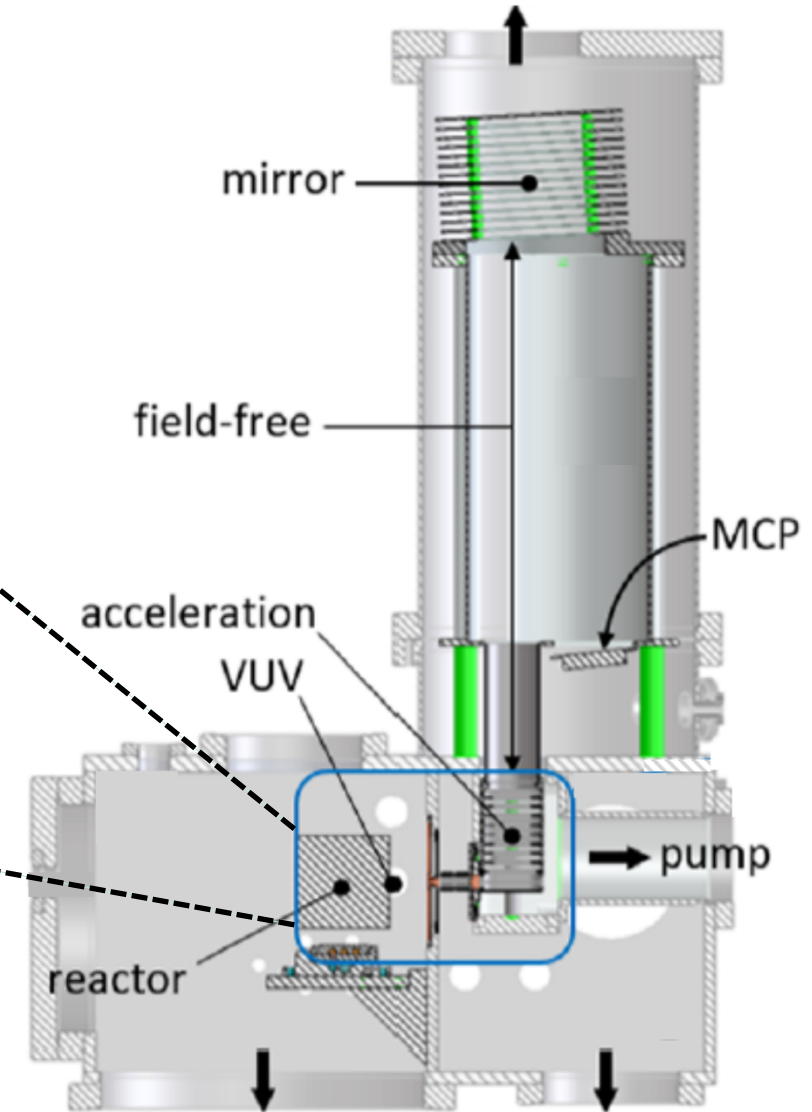
Pressure: 7500 Torr, T: 450-650 K

CPT ( $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ):  $1 \times 10^{14}$

O<sub>2</sub> ( $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ):  $3 \times 10^{19}$

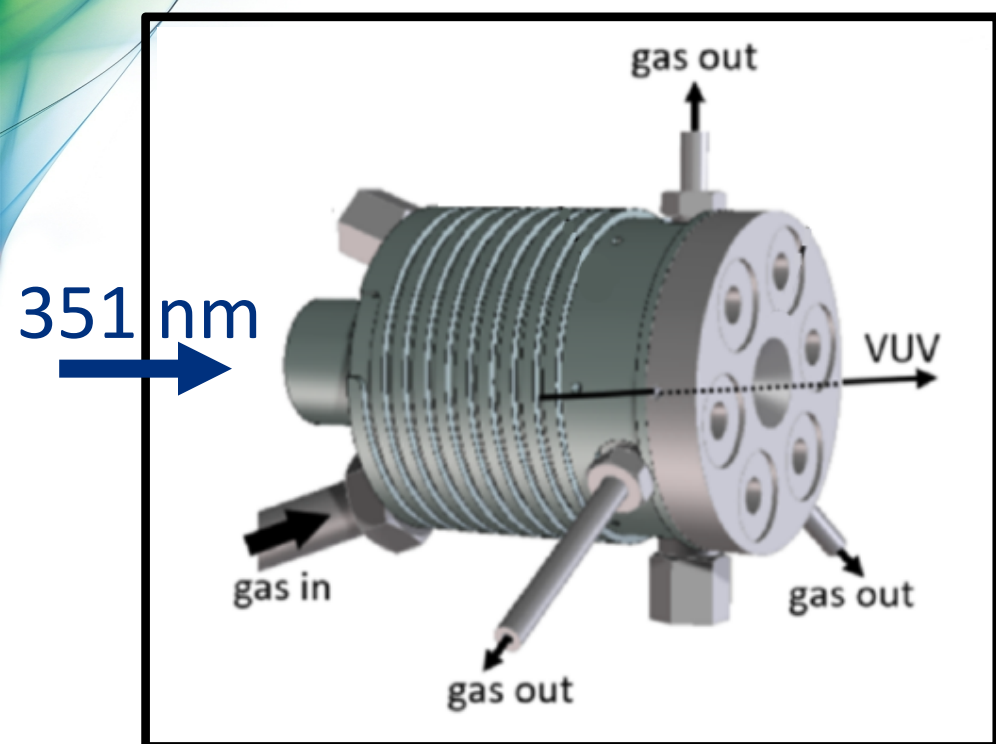
Cl<sub>2</sub> ( $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ):  $8.9 \times 10^{14}$

He ( $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ):  $(1.3 - 0.8) \times 10^{20}$

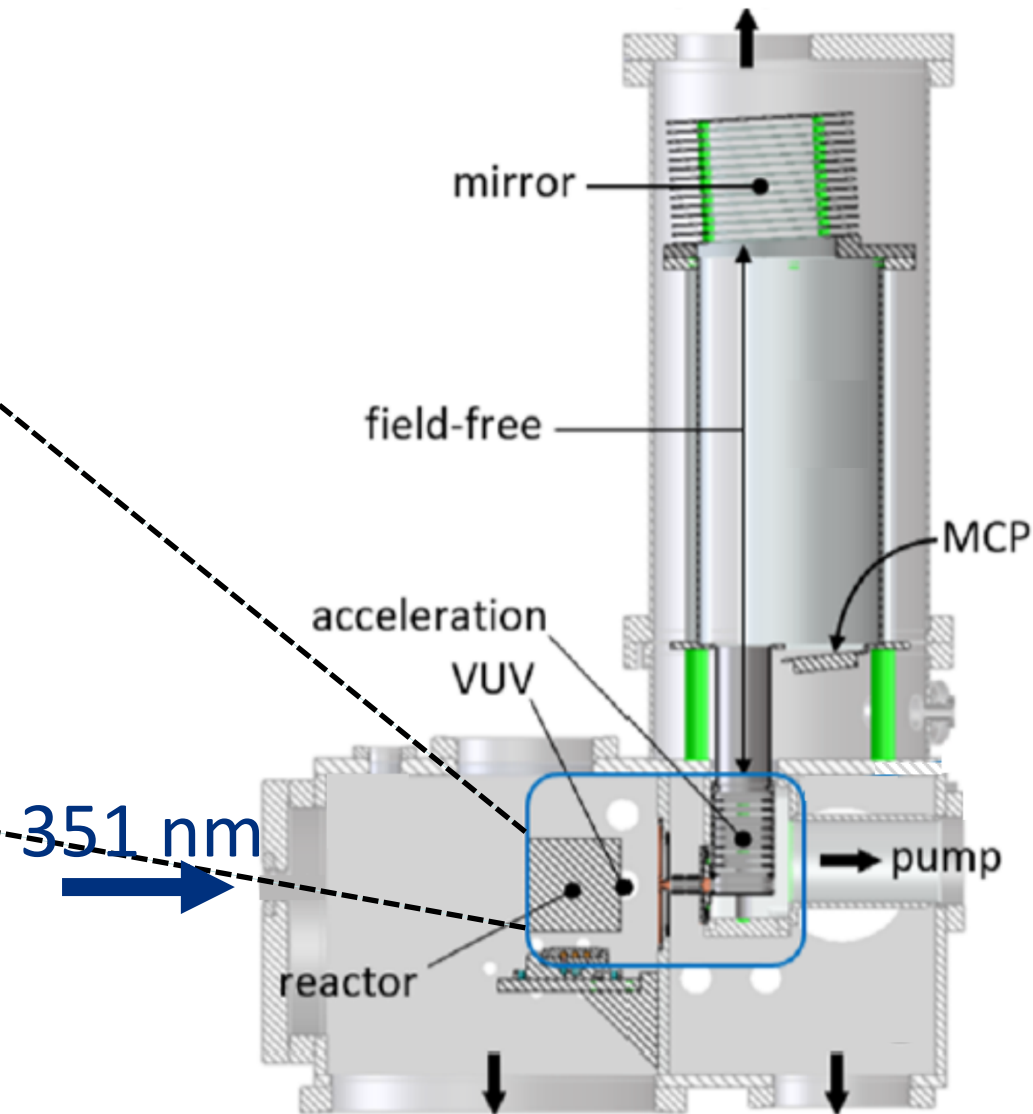
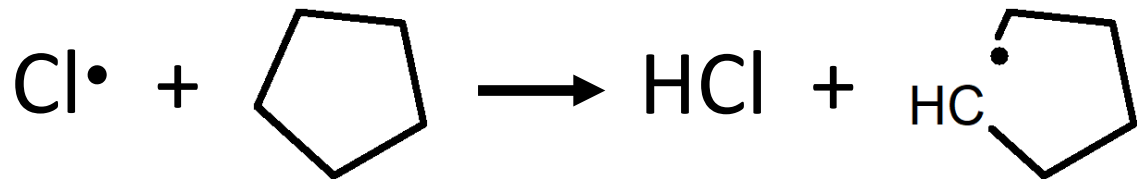


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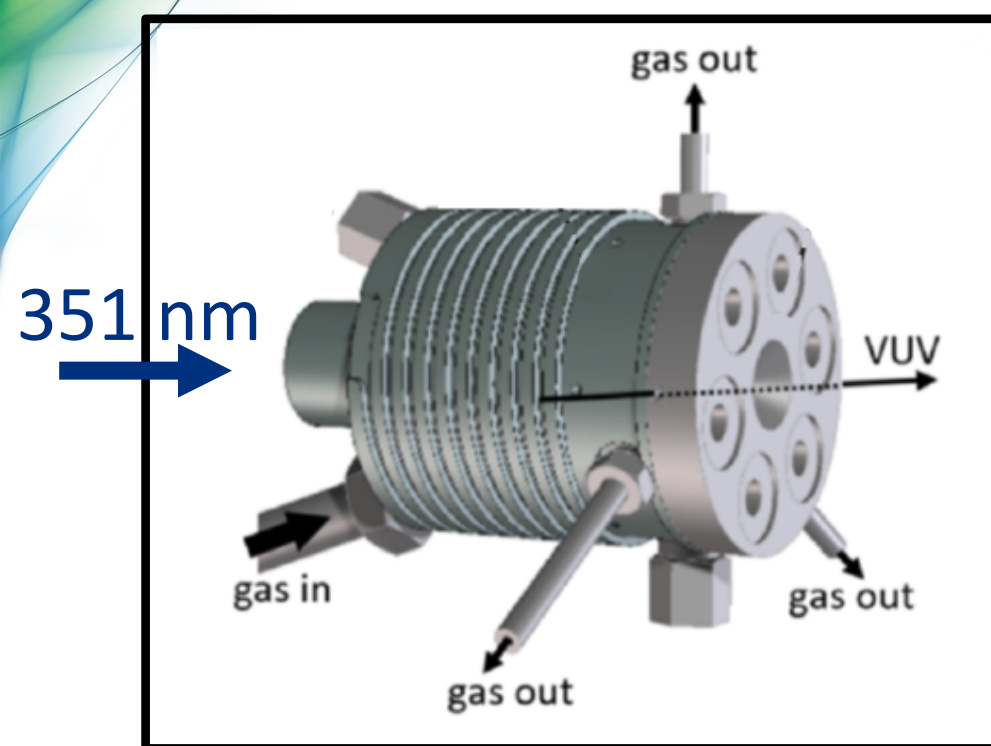
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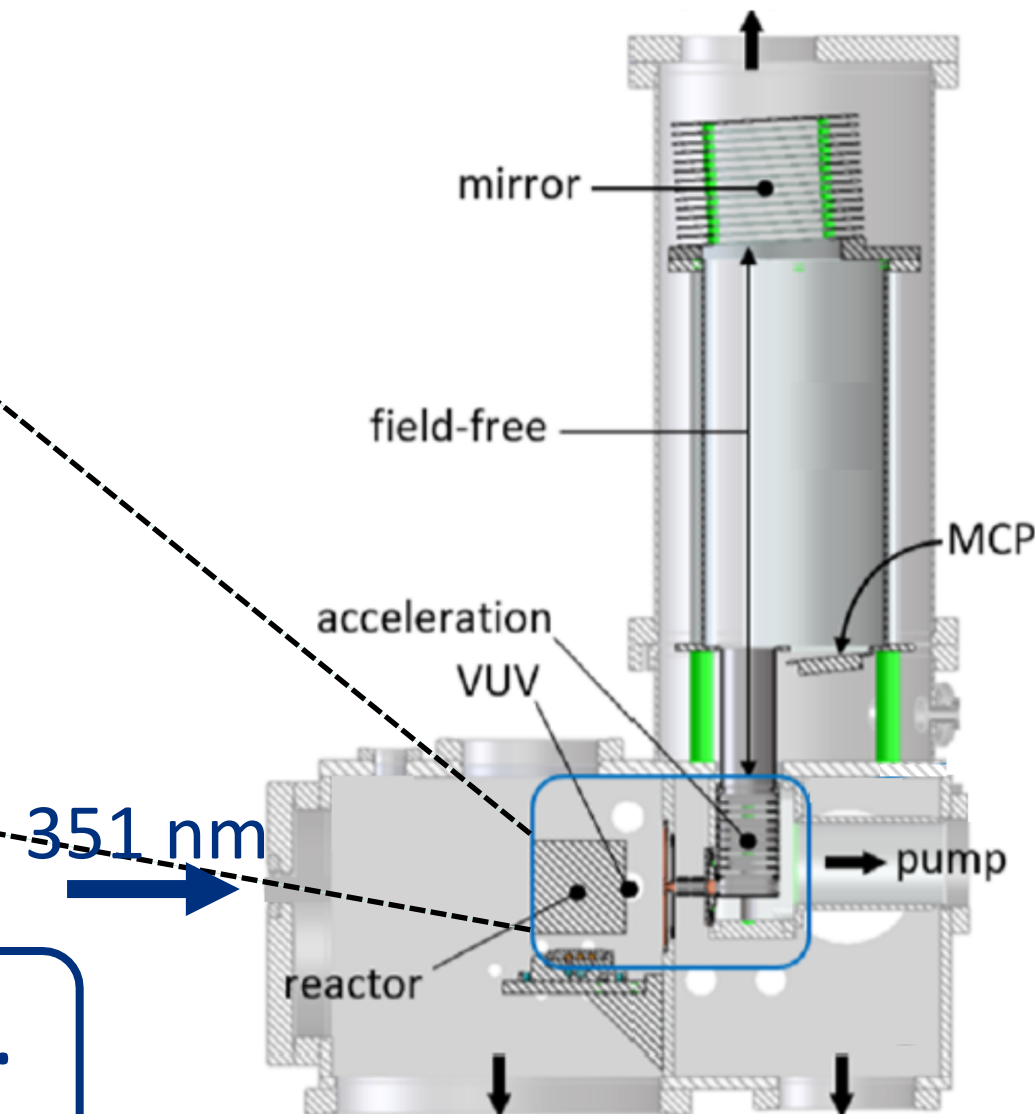
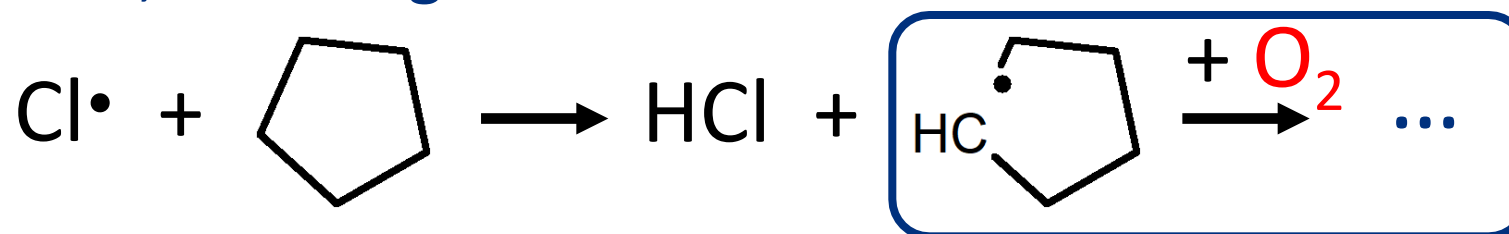
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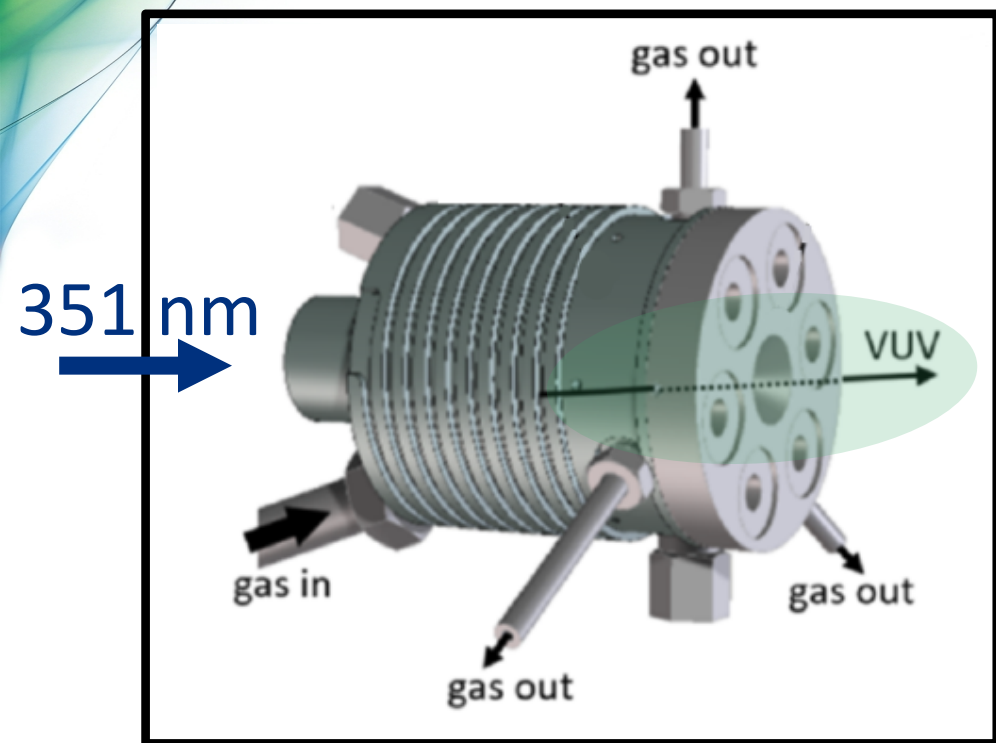


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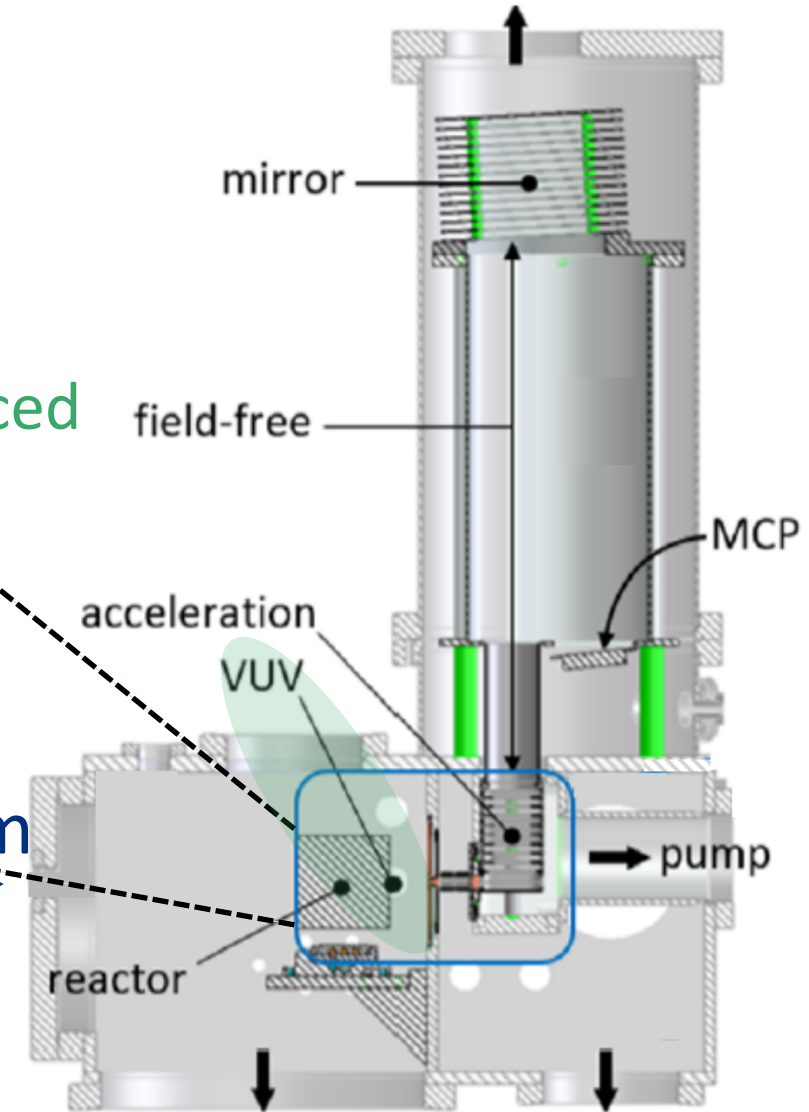


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# Multiplexed Photoionization Mass Spectrometry (MPIMS)



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



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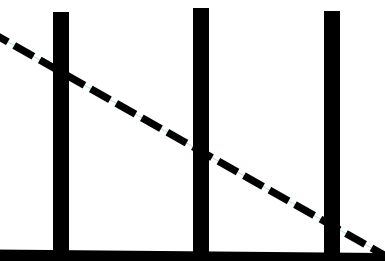
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# Time and Energy-Resolved Studies

351 nm Photolysis Laser: 5 Hz

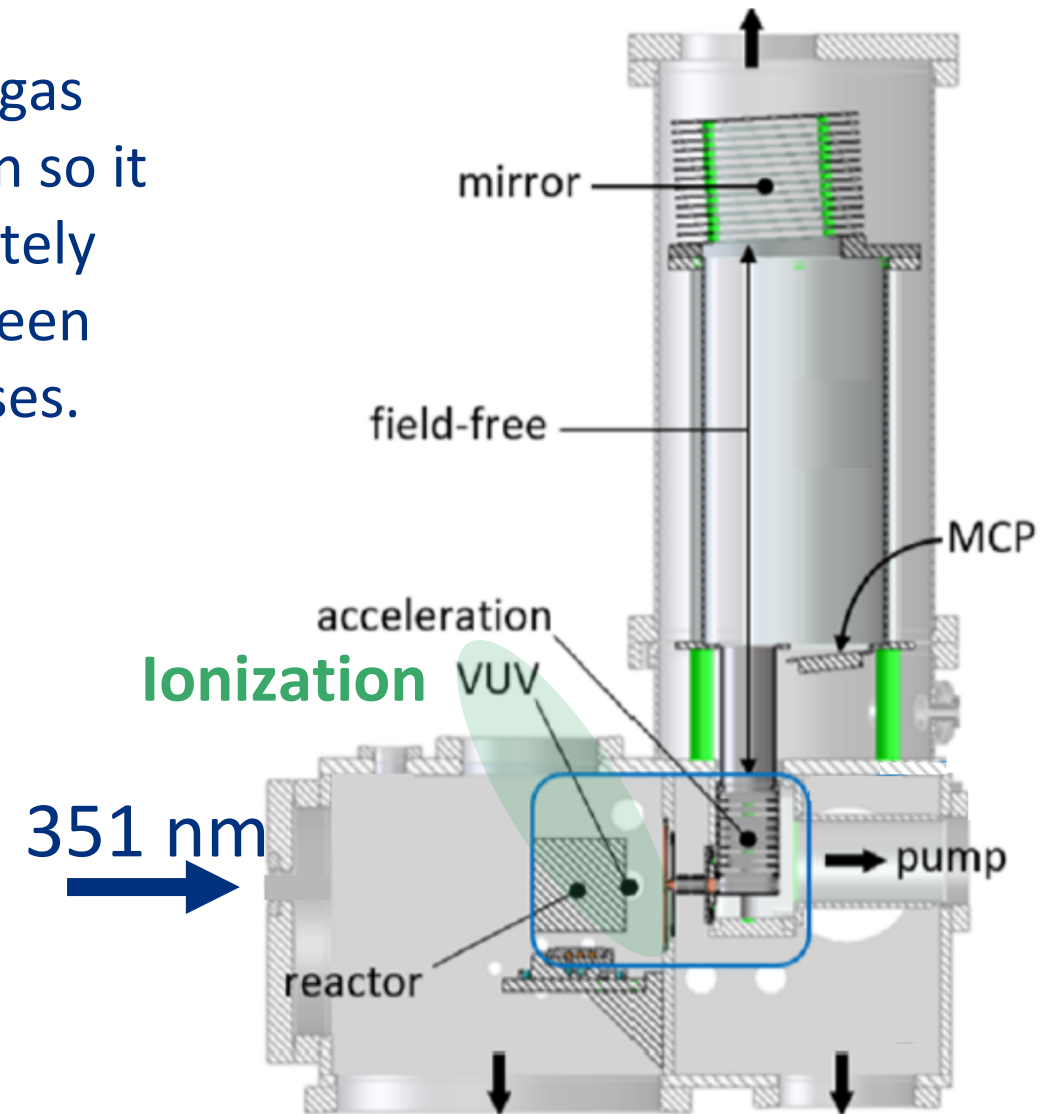
200 ms

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



0.025 ms

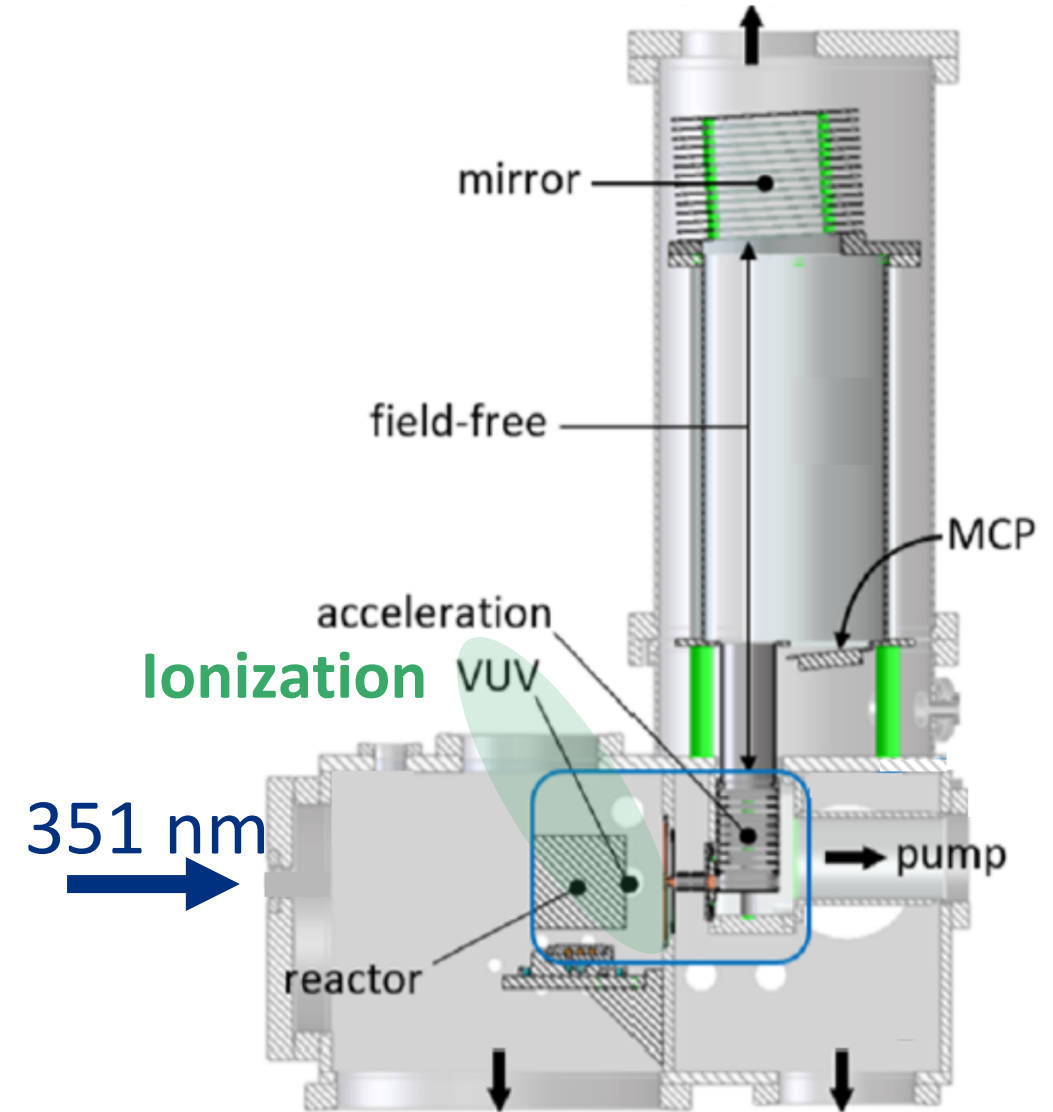
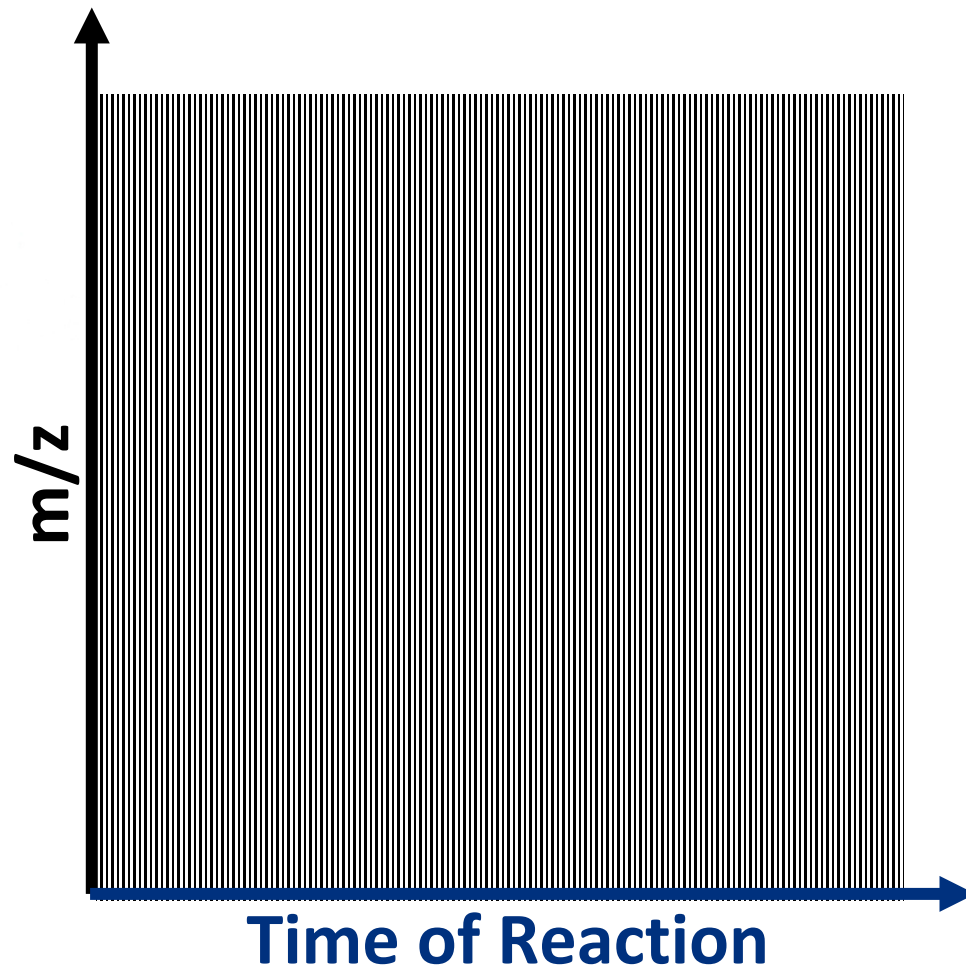
TOF Repetition Rate: 40 kHz



Osborn, Taatjes, and coworkers *Rev. Sci. Instrum.*, **2008**, 79, 104103.

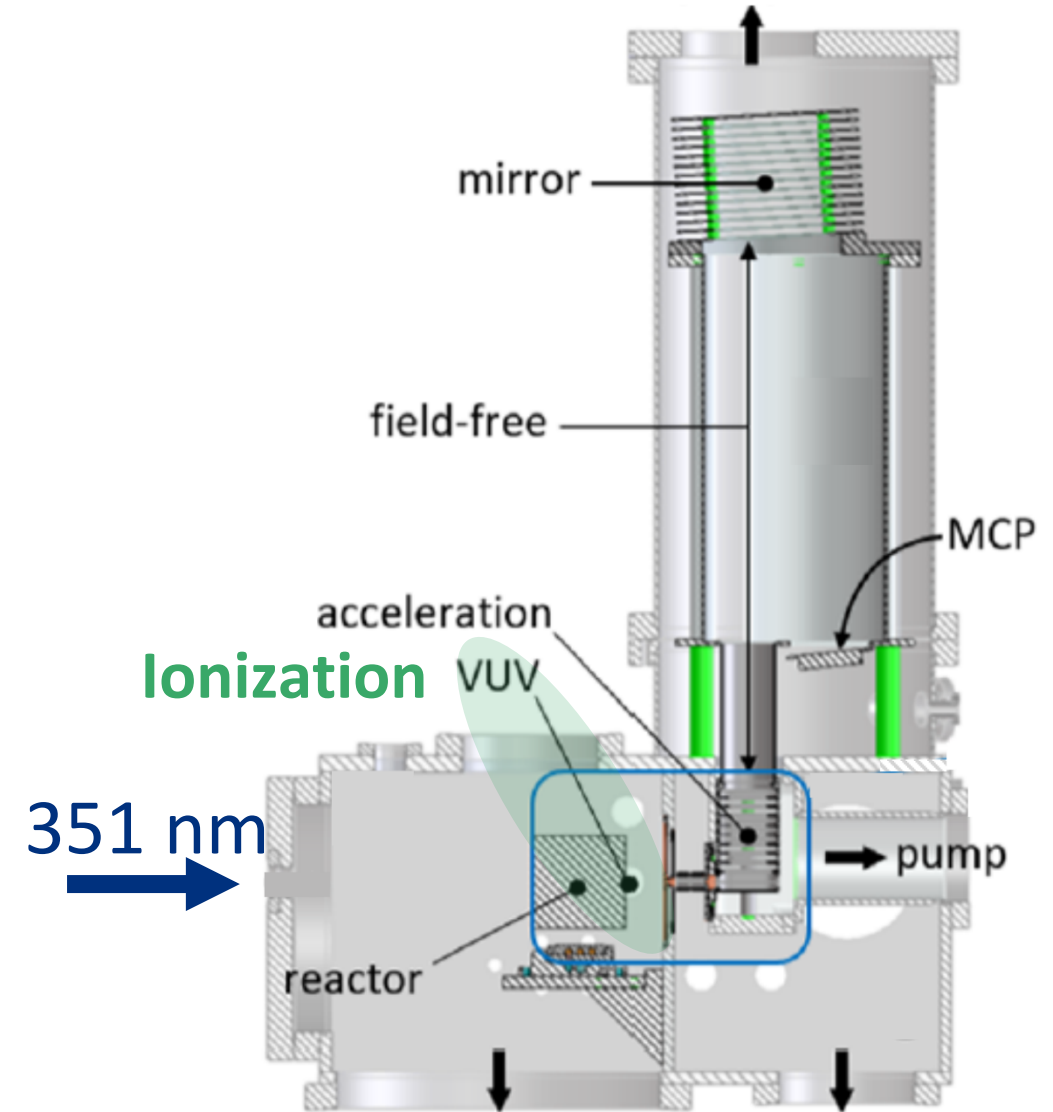
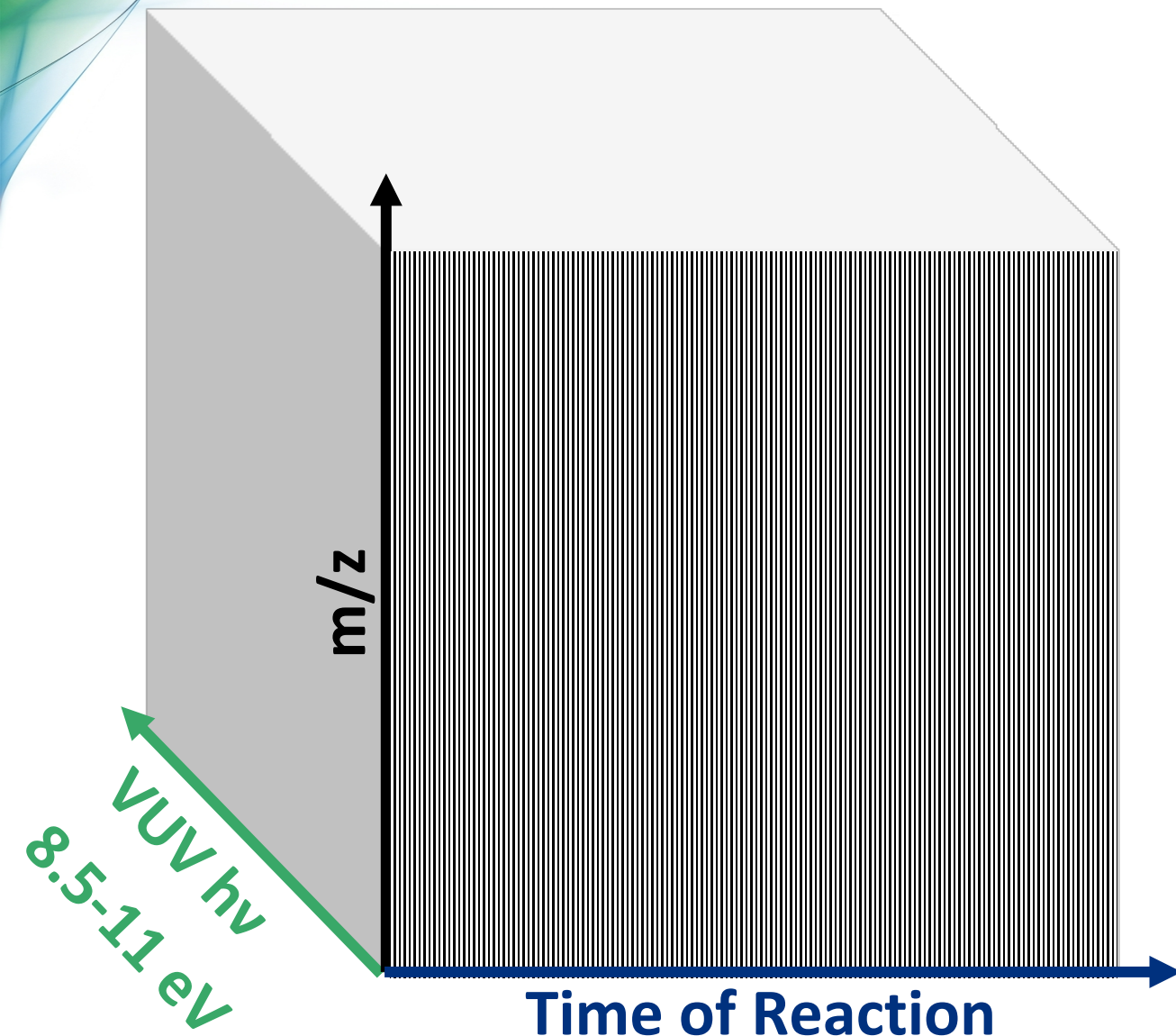


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# Identification and Quantification Species

- 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.

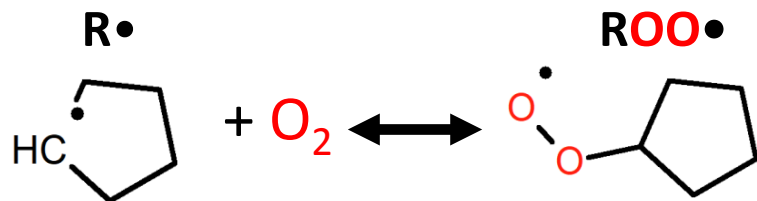
Demireva, Au, Sheps *PCCP* **2020**, 22, 24649.

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# Potential Energy Surfaces (PESs) of CPT Sub-Mechanism

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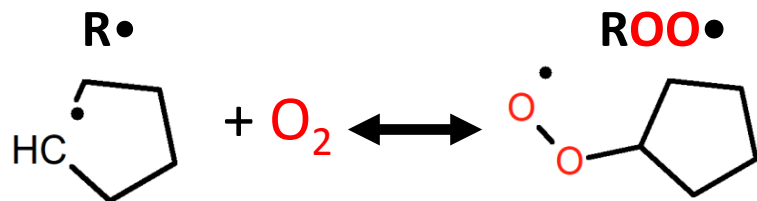
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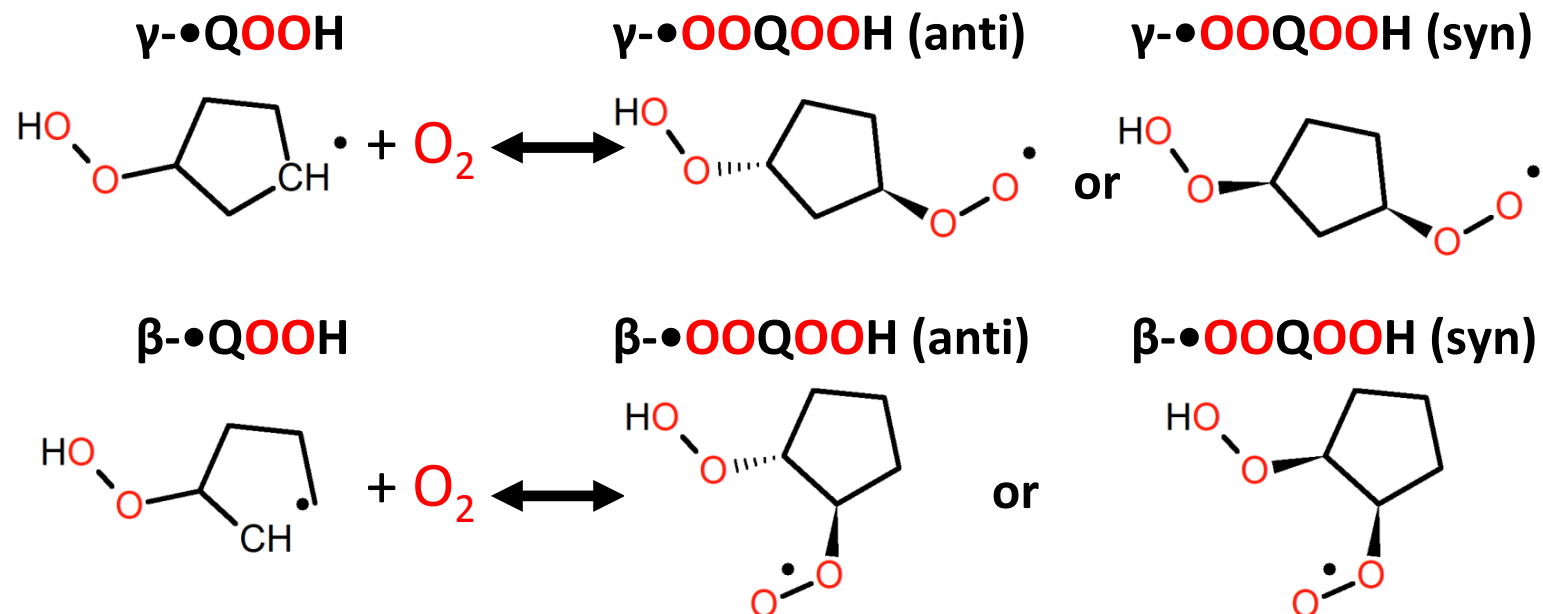
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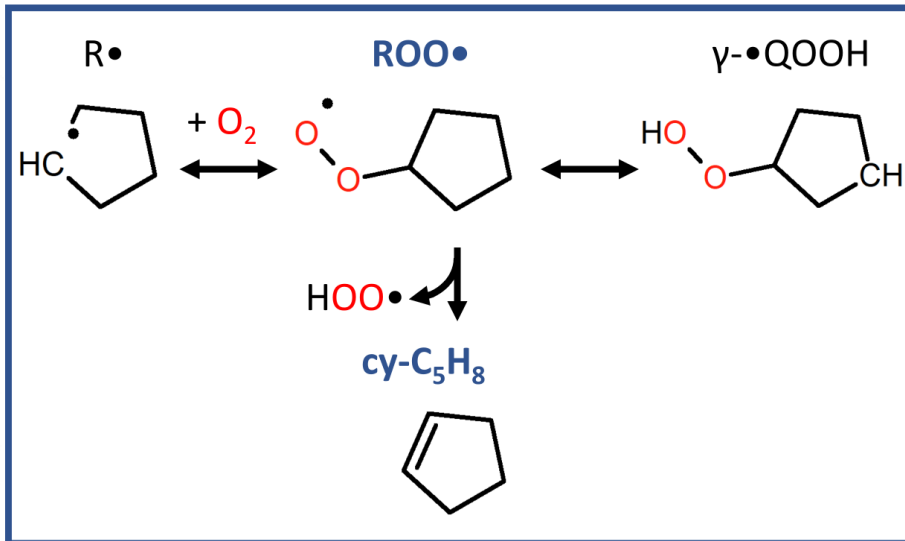


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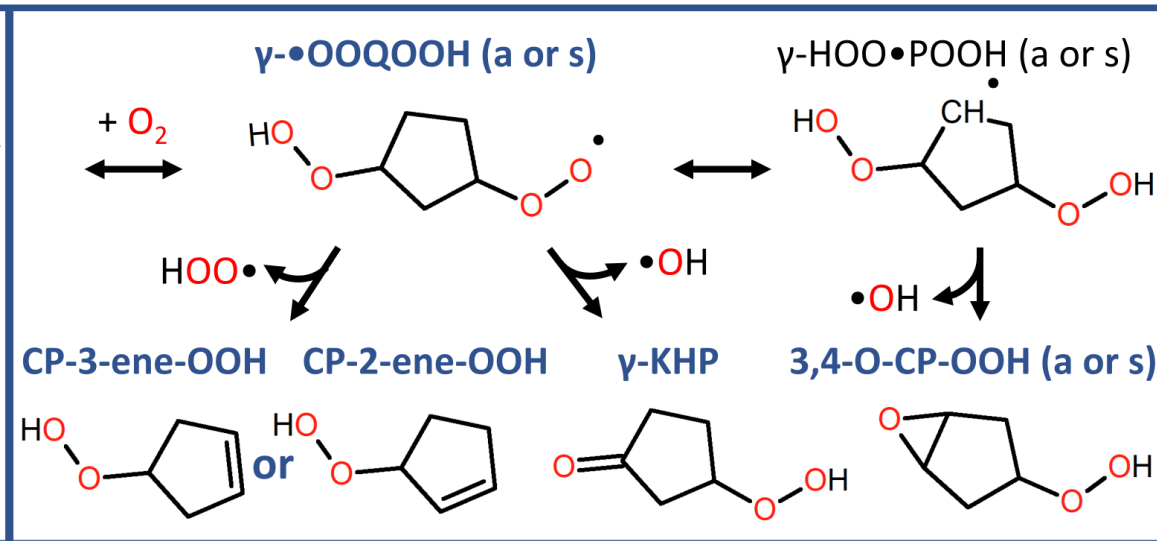
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# Dominant Pathways in Sub-Mechanism

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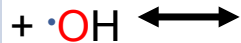
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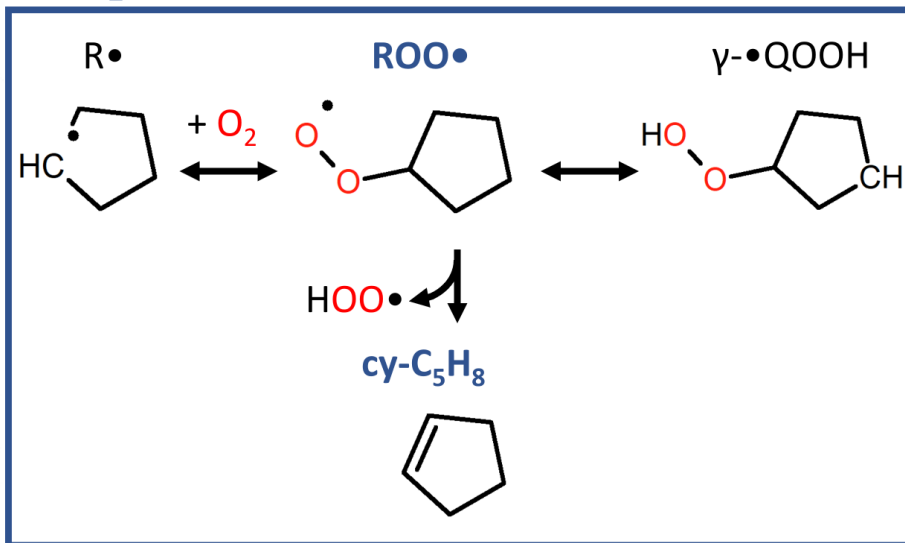
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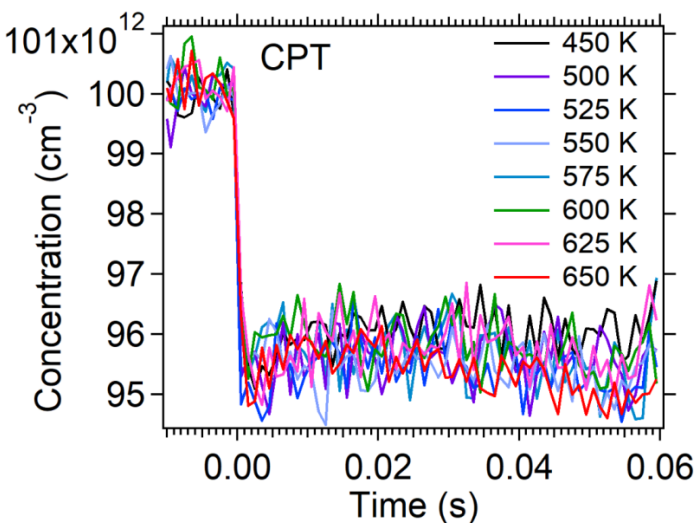
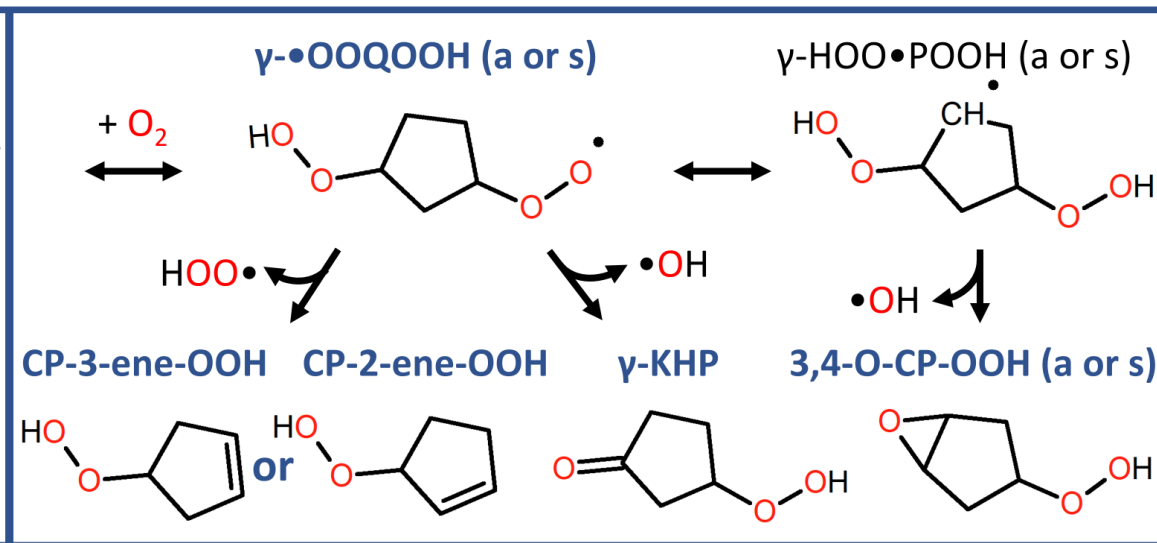
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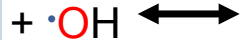


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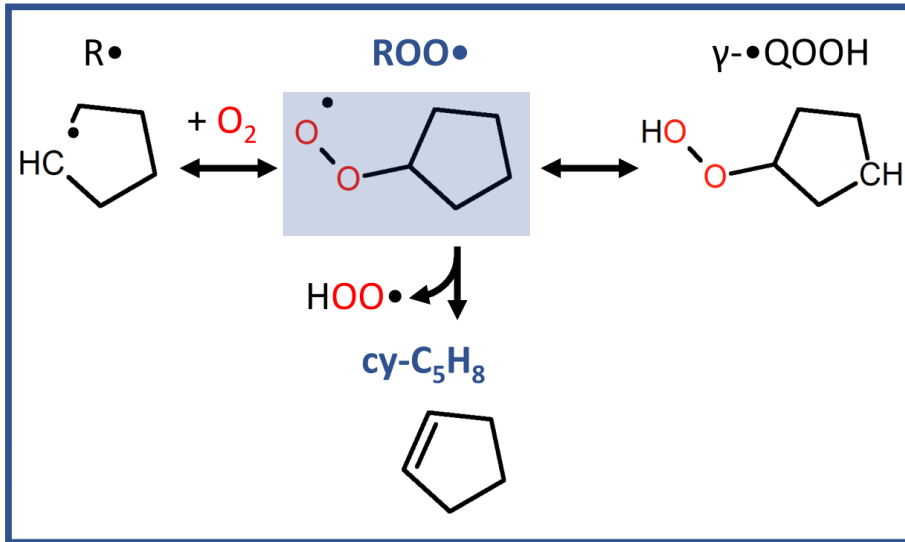
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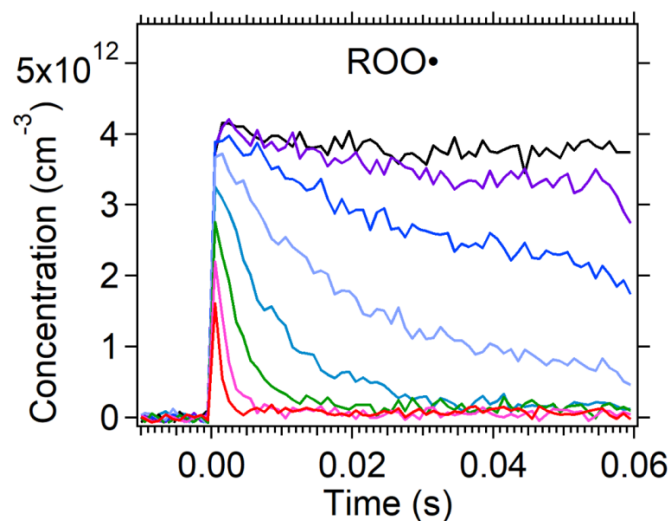
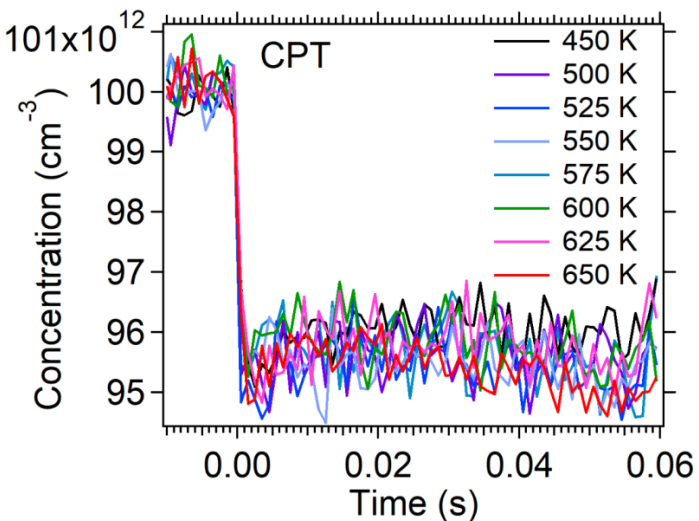
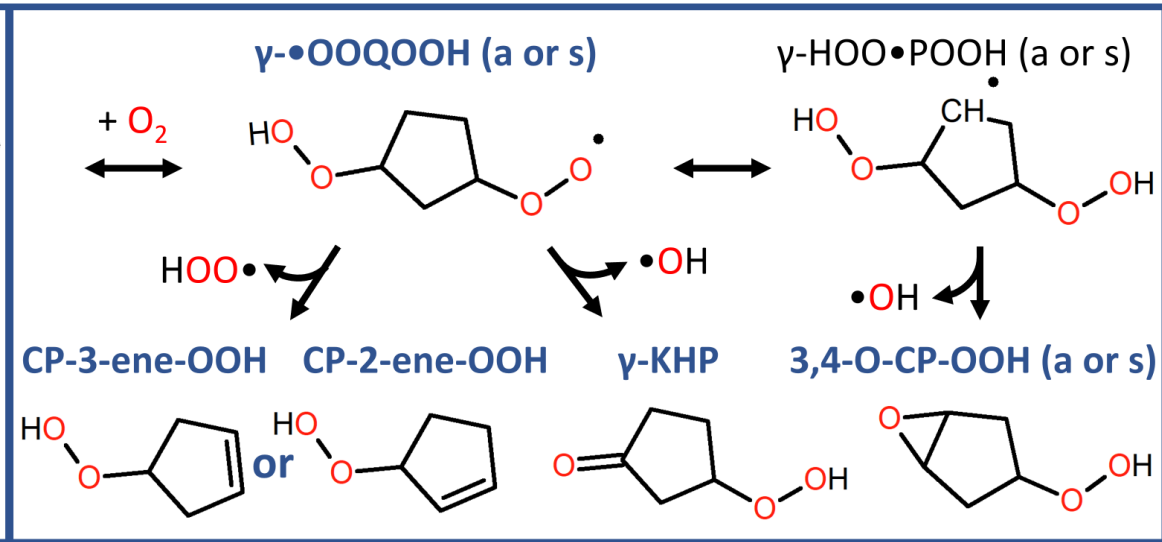
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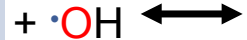
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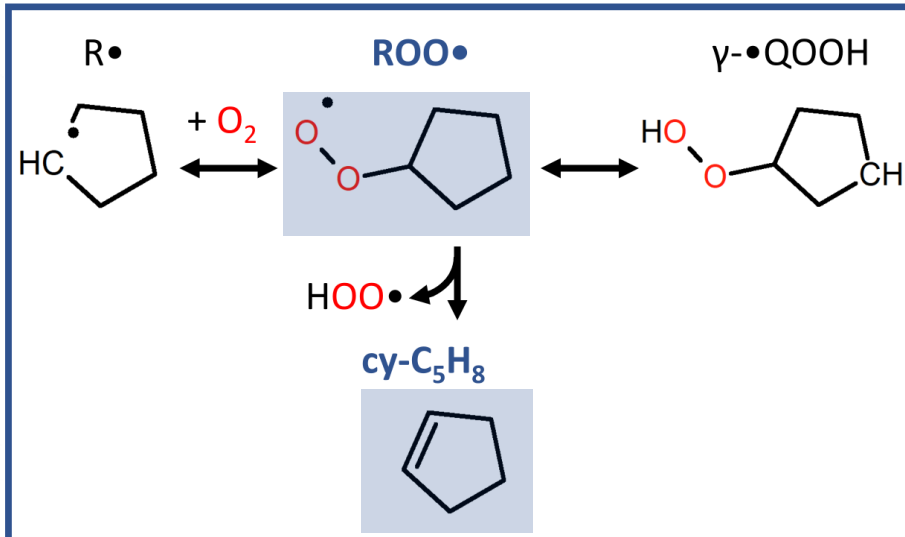
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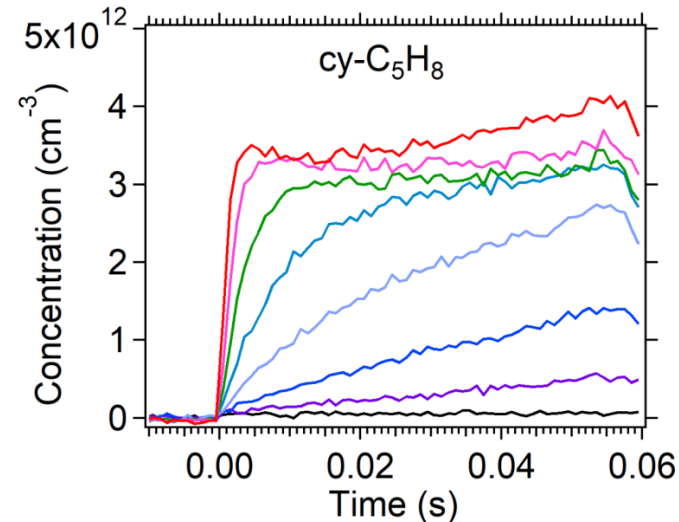
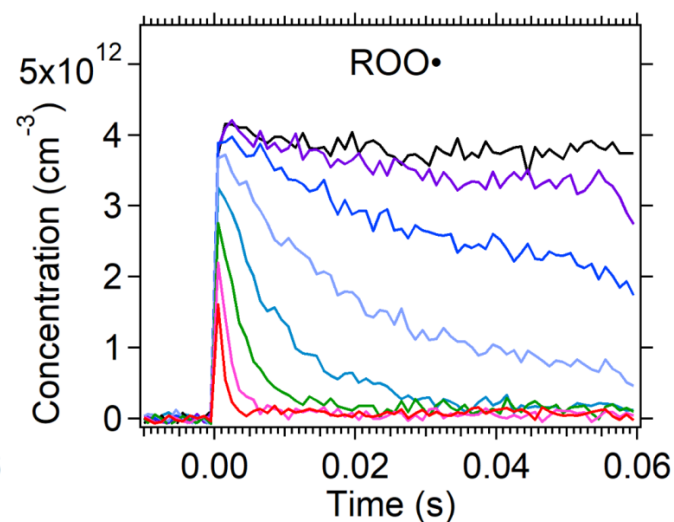
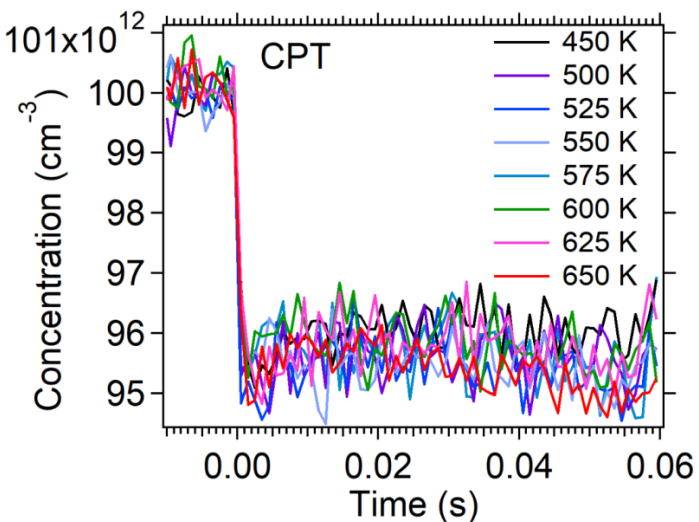
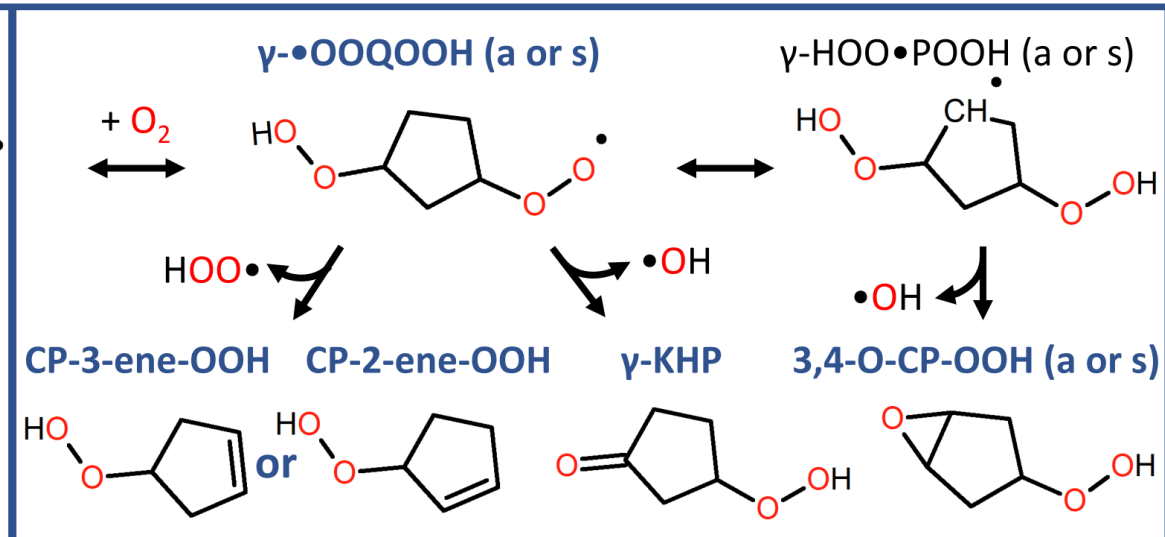
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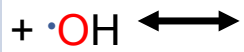


Primarily observe 1<sup>st</sup> O<sub>2</sub> addition species.

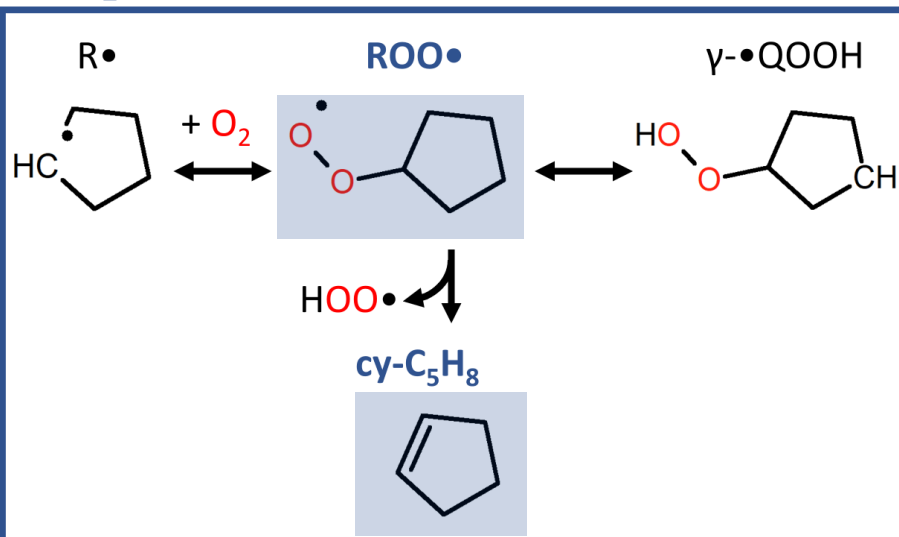
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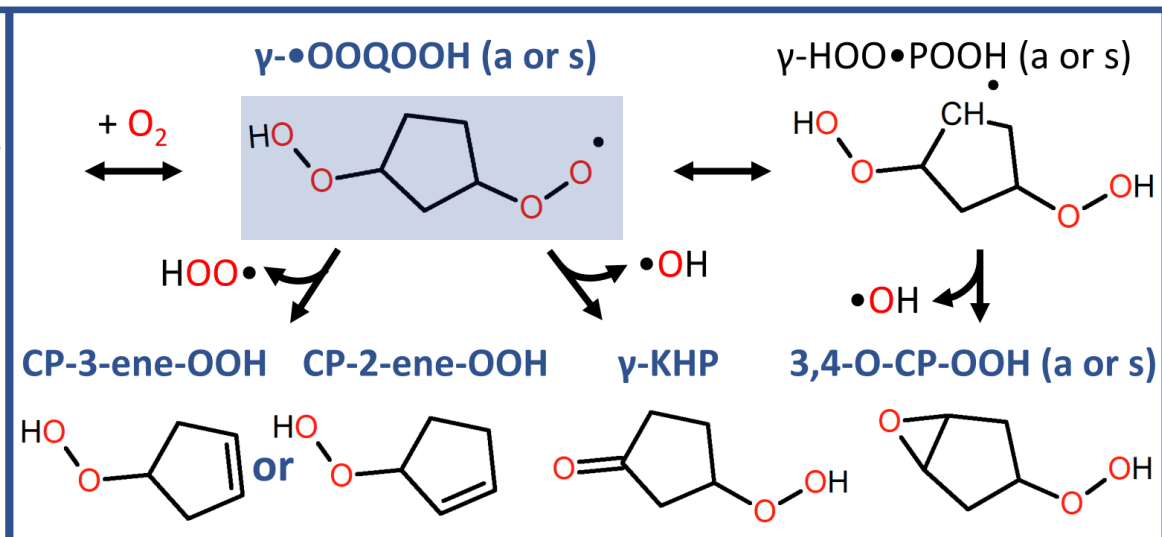
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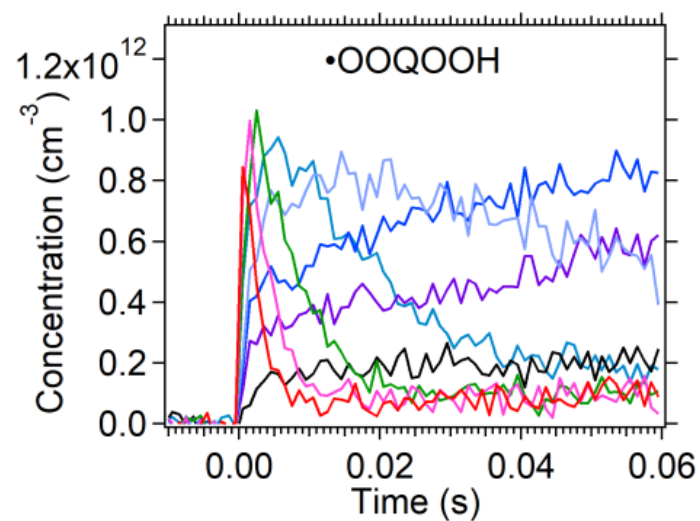
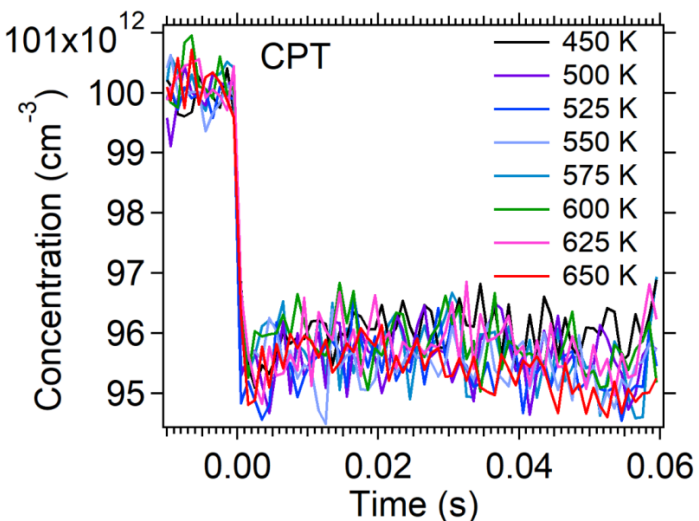


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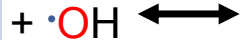
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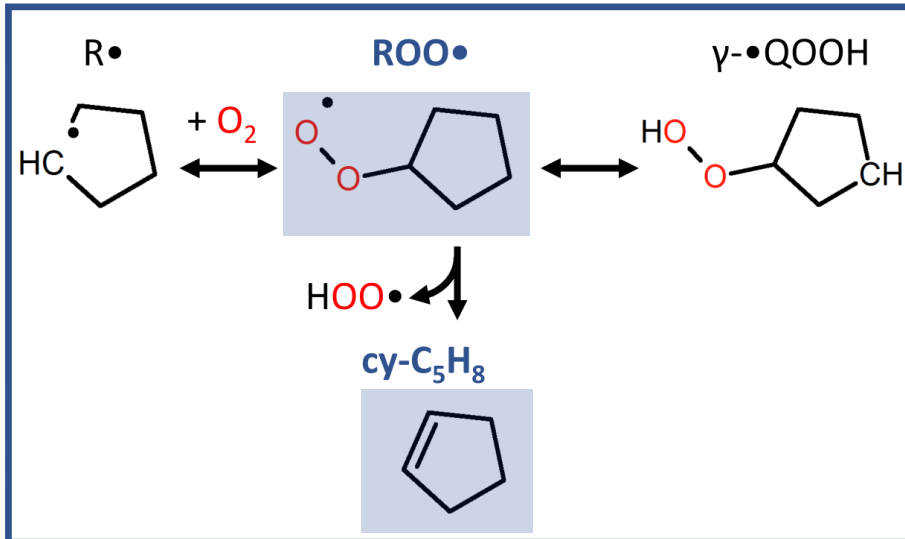
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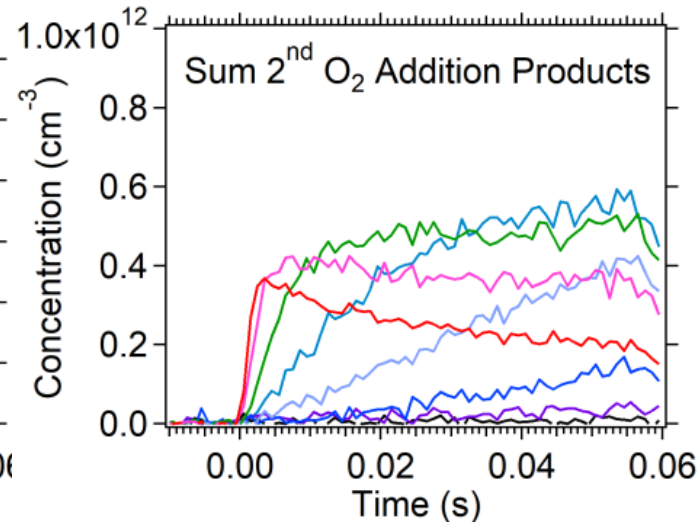
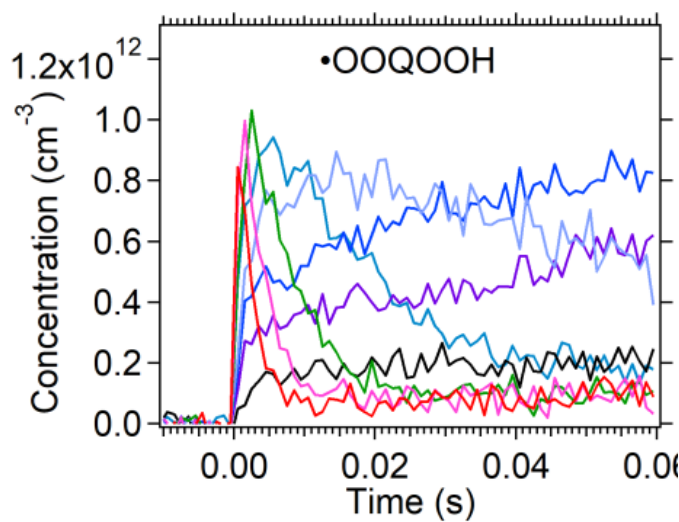
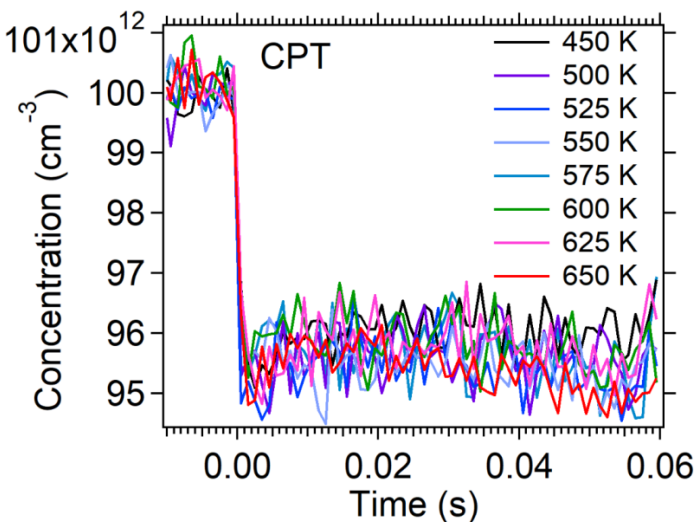
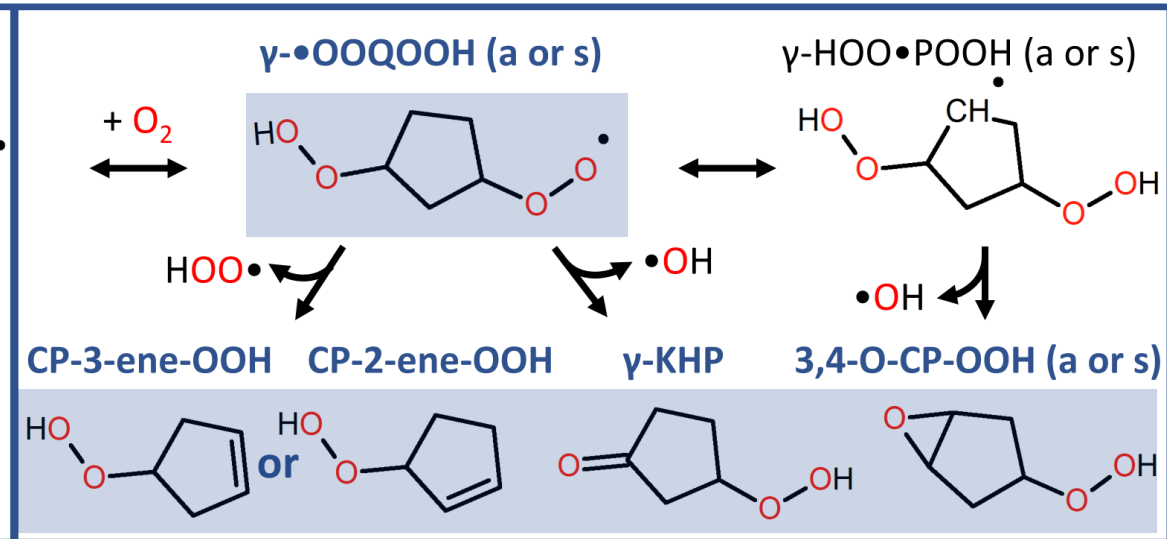
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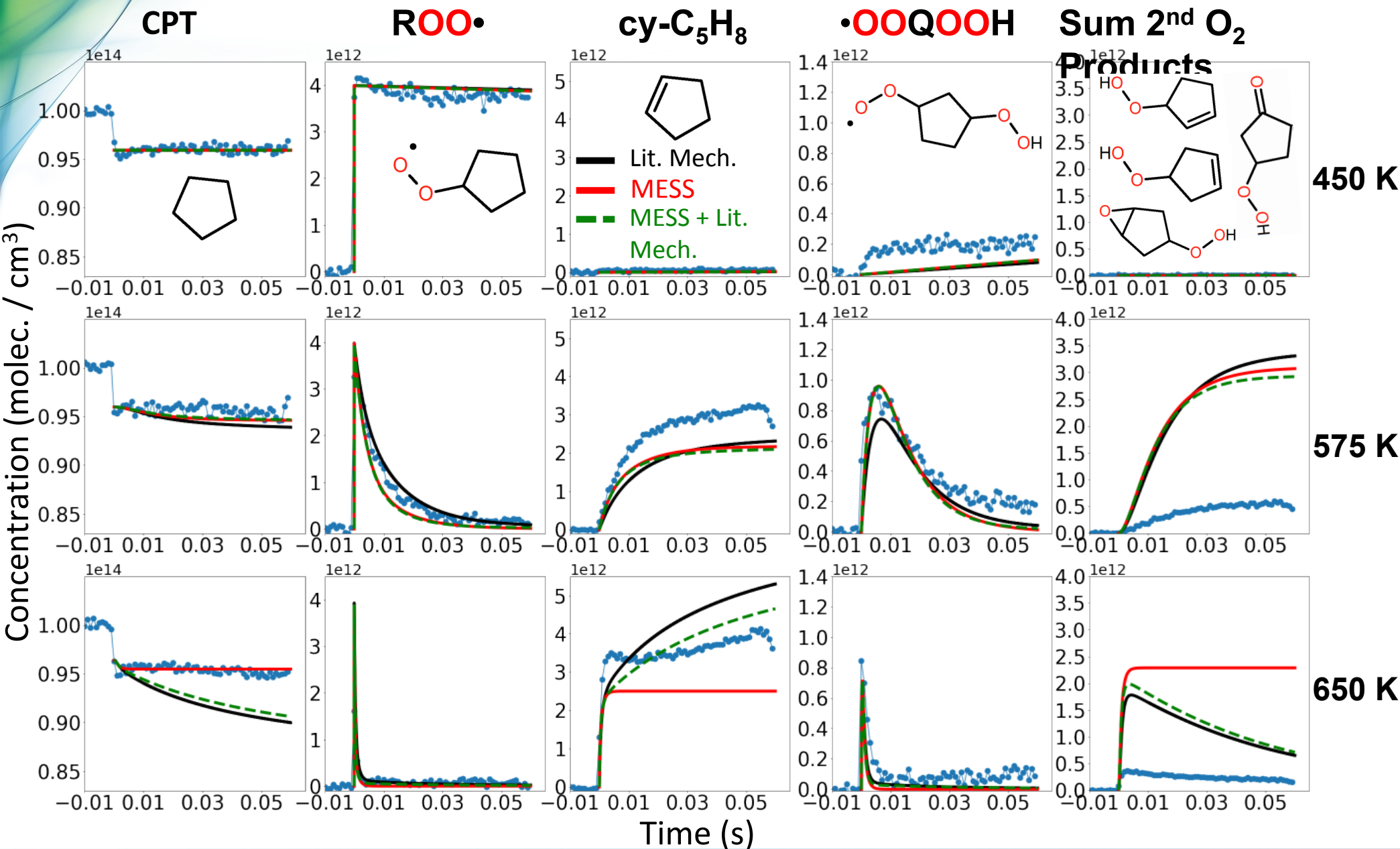


Small concentration of 2<sup>nd</sup> O<sub>2</sub> addition species.

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# Performance of Kinetics Models Against MPIMS Data



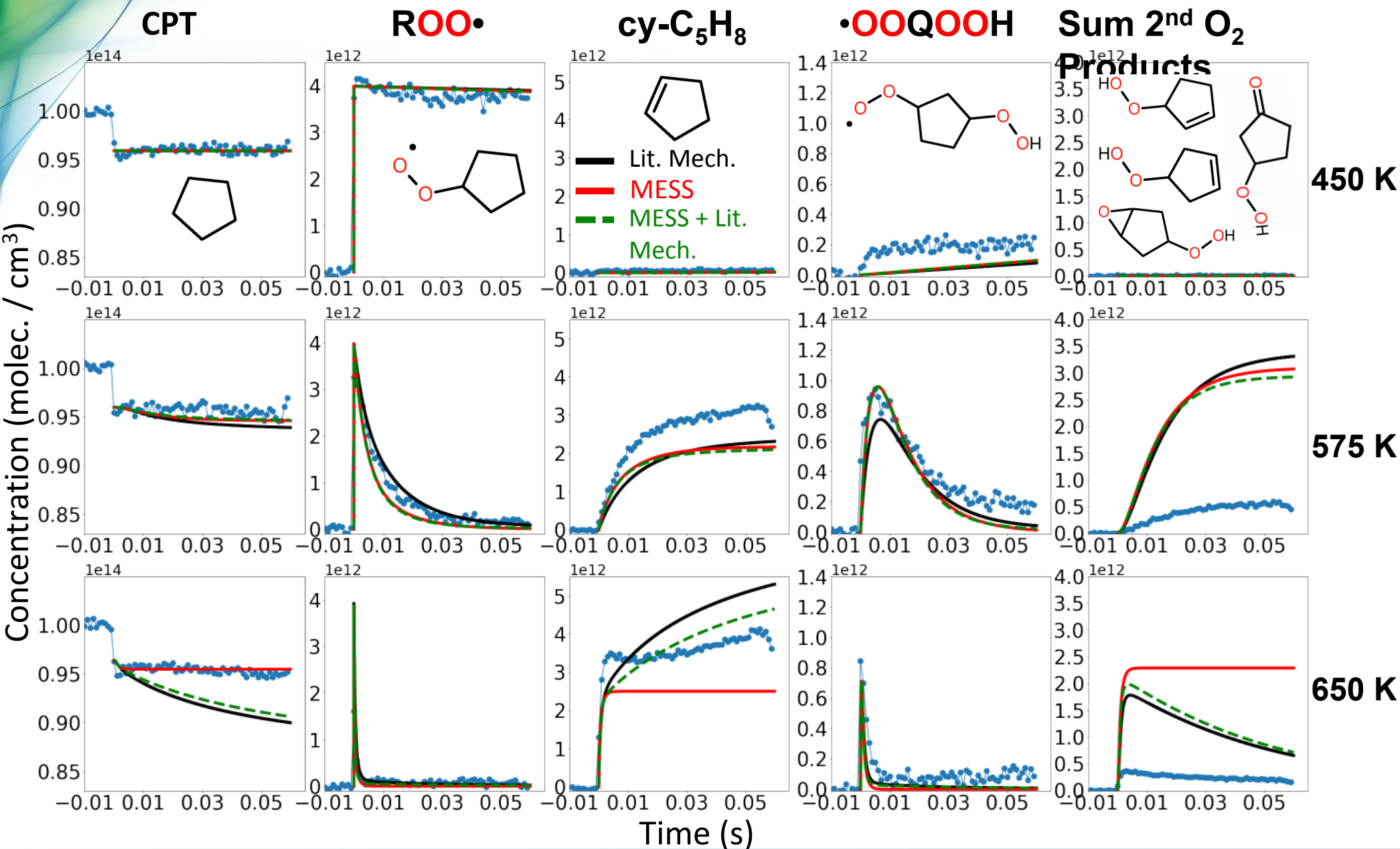
➤ **Lit. mech:**  
Full-scale CPT oxidation mechanism:  
Lokachari, Wagnon, Kukkadapu, Pitz, Curran  
*Combust. Flame* **2021**, 225, 255.

➤ **MESS:**  
Rate coefficients for theory-based sub-mechanism calculated with Master Equation System Solver (MESS).

➤ **MESS + Lit. Mech:**  
Theory-based sub-mechanism embedded into full-scale CPT model.



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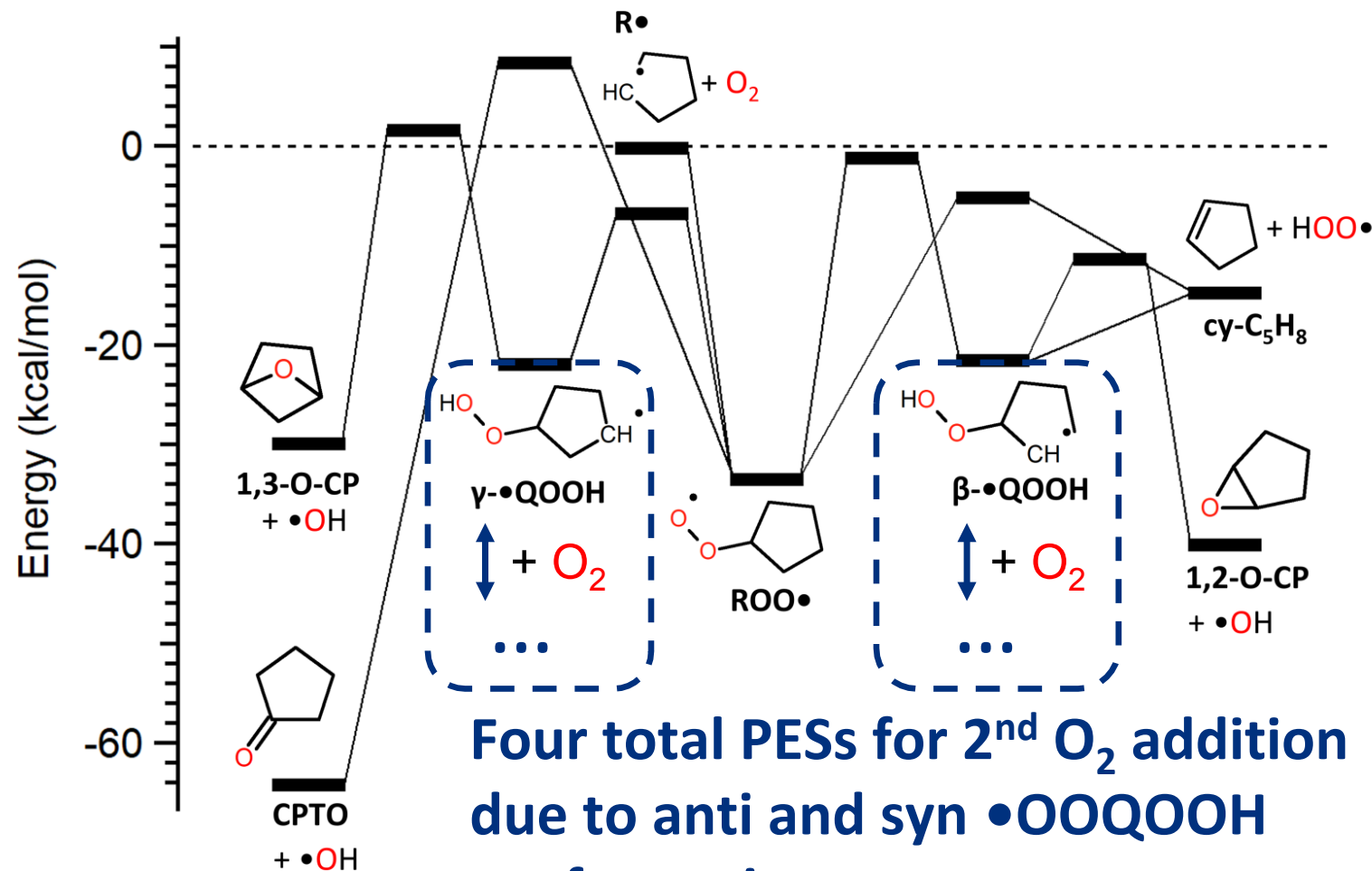
At high T, full scale models overpredict CPT consumption. All models overpredict 2<sup>nd</sup> O<sub>2</sub> products, while underpredicting cy-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub>.

At or below 575 K, MESS and MESS + Lit. Mech result in nearly identical concentration profiles.

# Optimization of Theory-Based Sub-Mechanism

## 1st O<sub>2</sub> Addition PES:

CCSD(T)-F12a/cc-pVTZ-F12//M06-2X/6-311++G\*\*



**Four total PESs for 2<sup>nd</sup> O<sub>2</sub> addition due to anti and syn •OOQOOH conformations.**

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

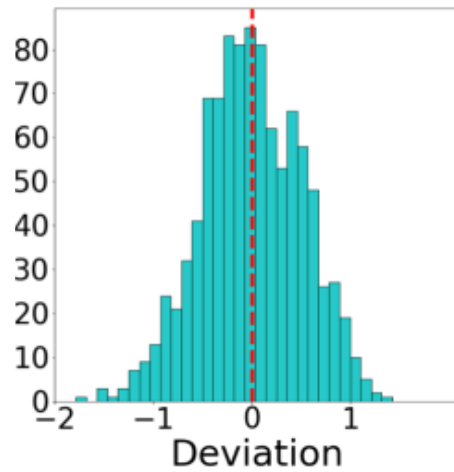
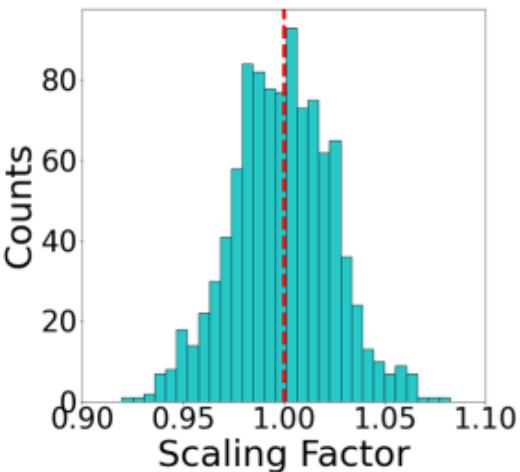
# Global Sensitivity Analysis

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



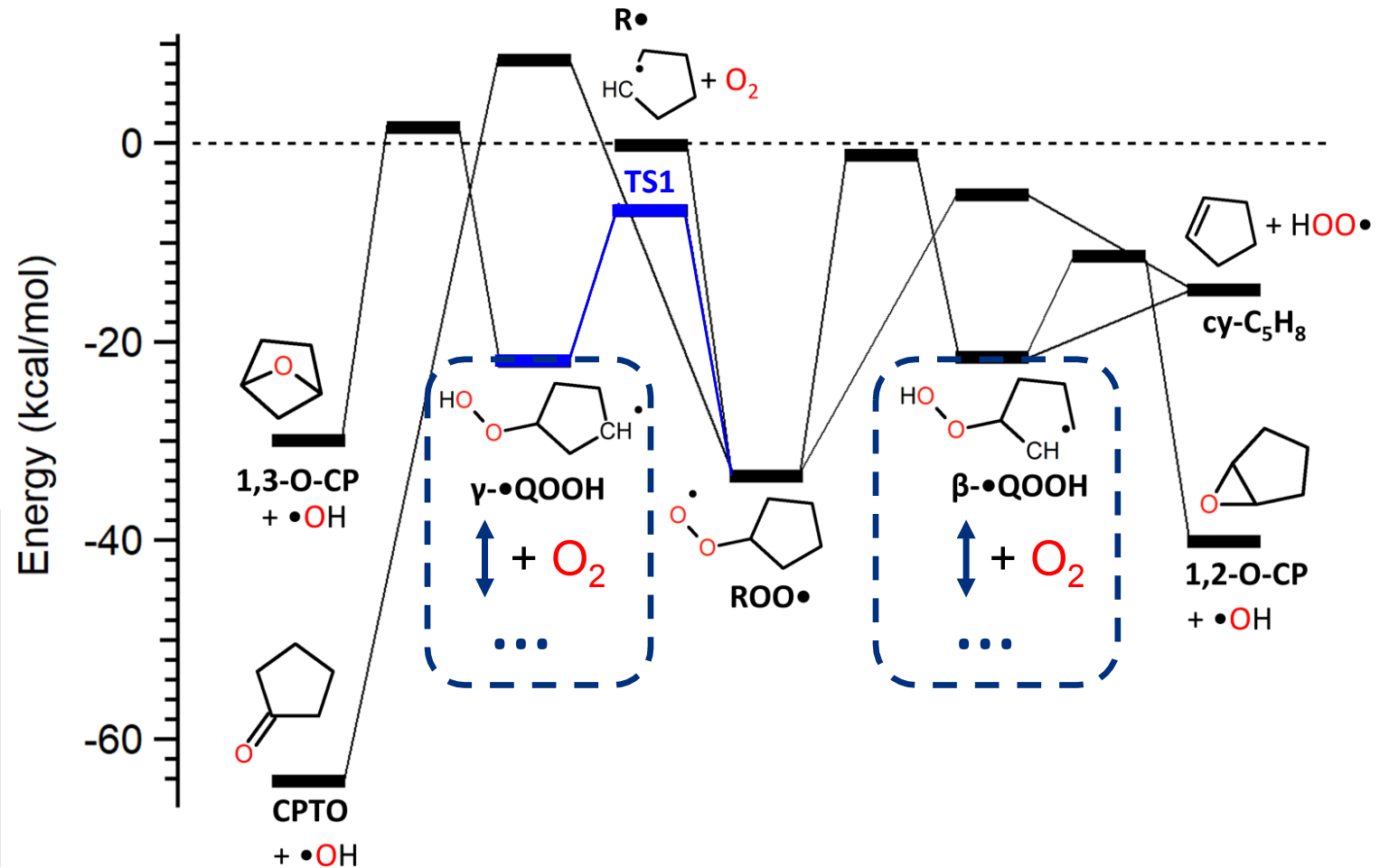
Barrier energy  $\pm$   
1 kcal/mol

Frequency  $\pm$  5%



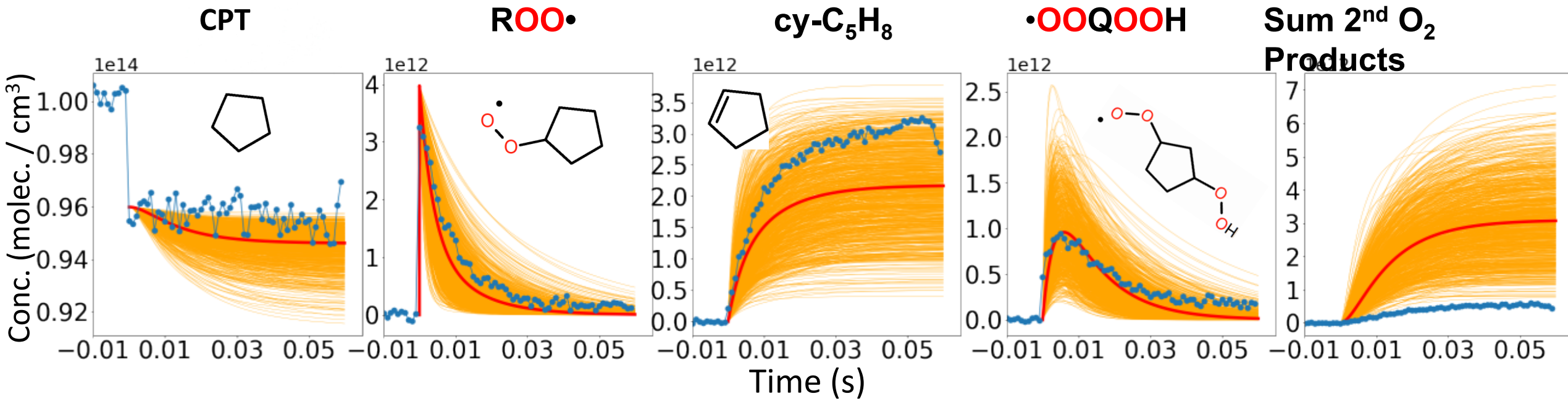
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# Global Sensitivity Analysis

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



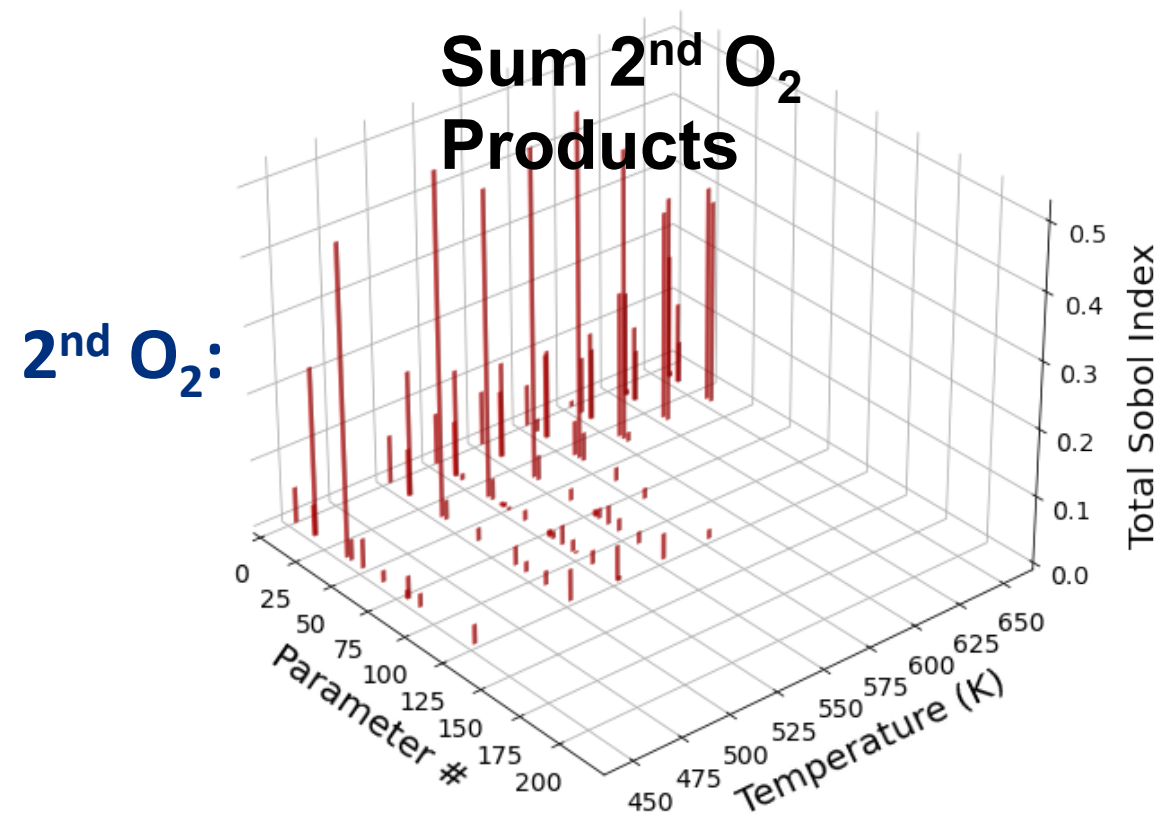
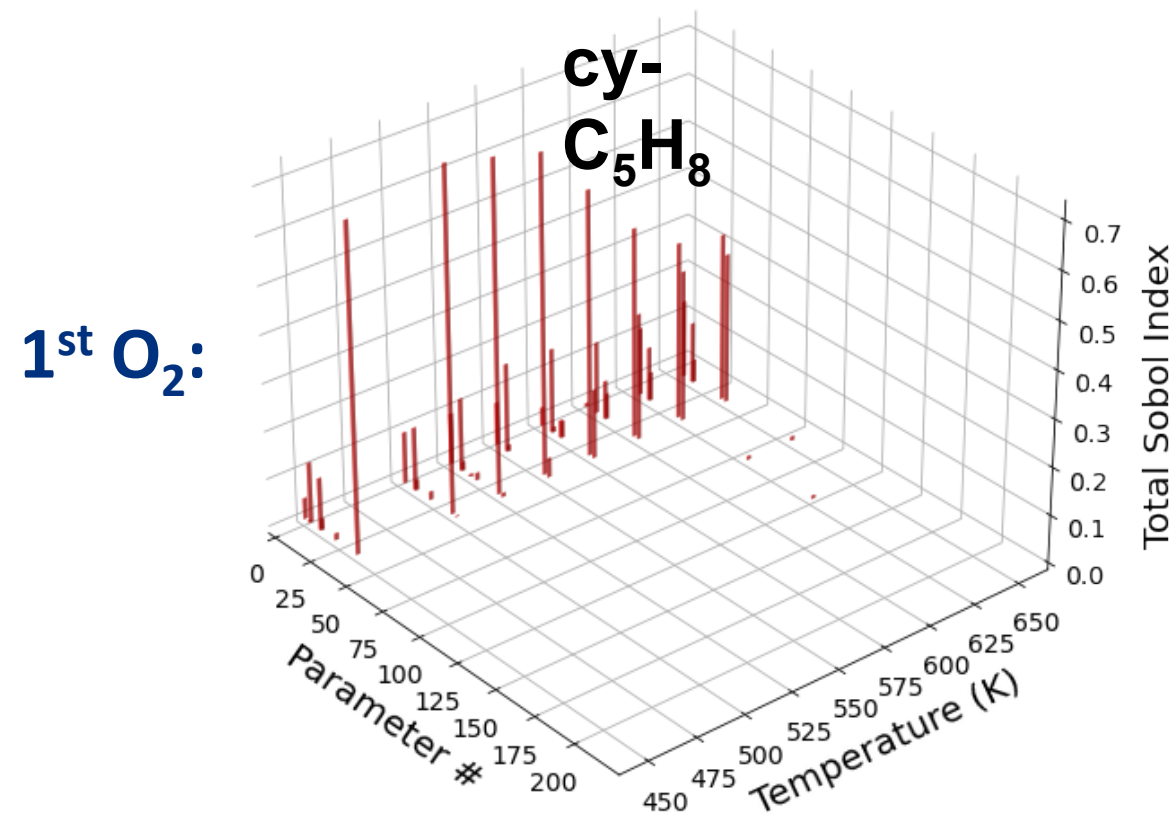
Experiment; Perturbed Models; Original Model



# 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.





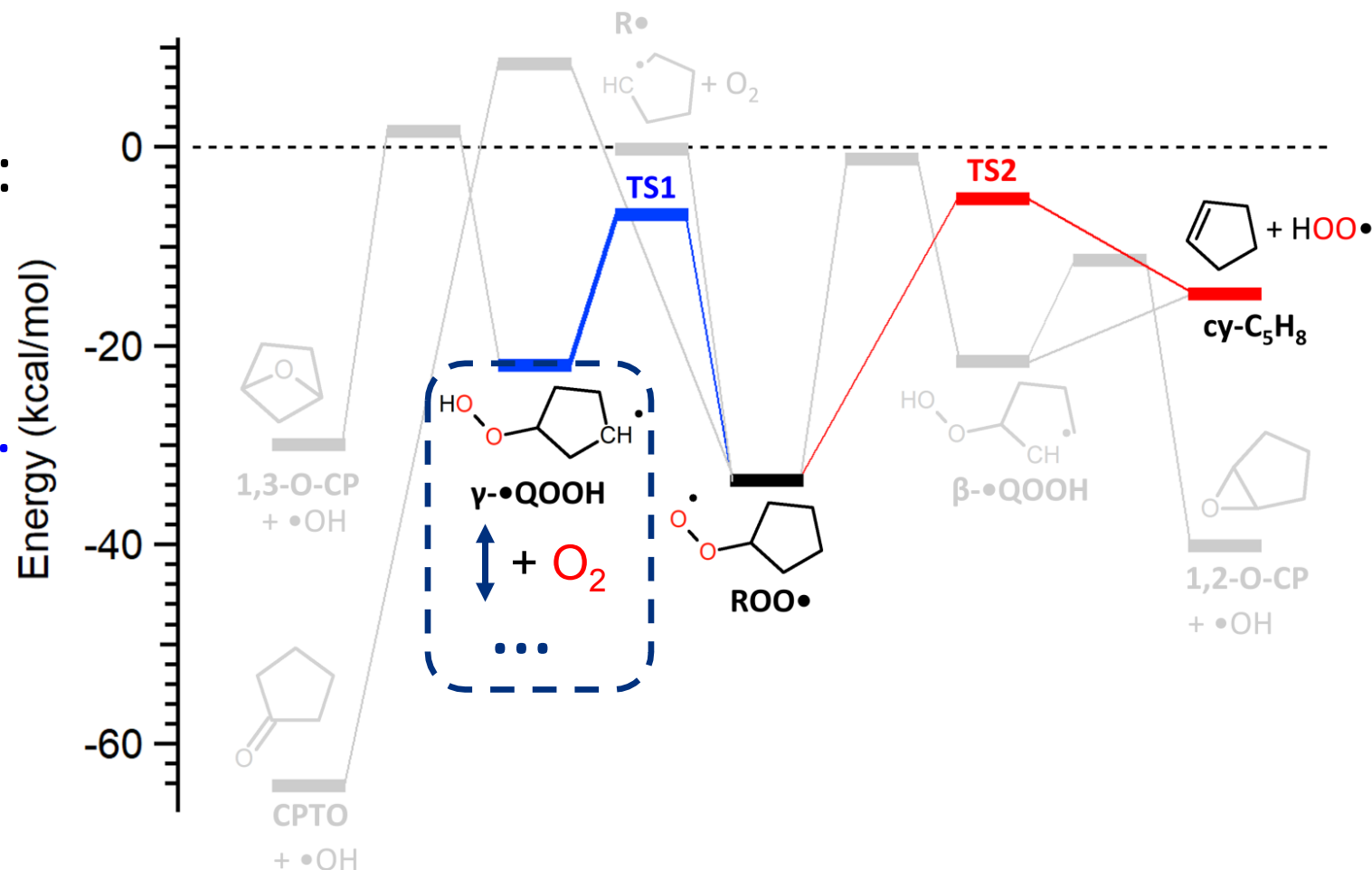
# Global Sensitivity Analysis

## 1st O<sub>2</sub> Addition PES:

CCSD(T)-F12a/cc-pVTZ-F12//M06-2X/6-311++G\*\*

6 most sensitive parameters:

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- 2) Barrier energy for TS2.
- 3) Imaginary frequency, TS1.
- 4) Frequencies of TS2.
- 5) Frequencies of ROO•.
- 6) Frequencies of TS1.

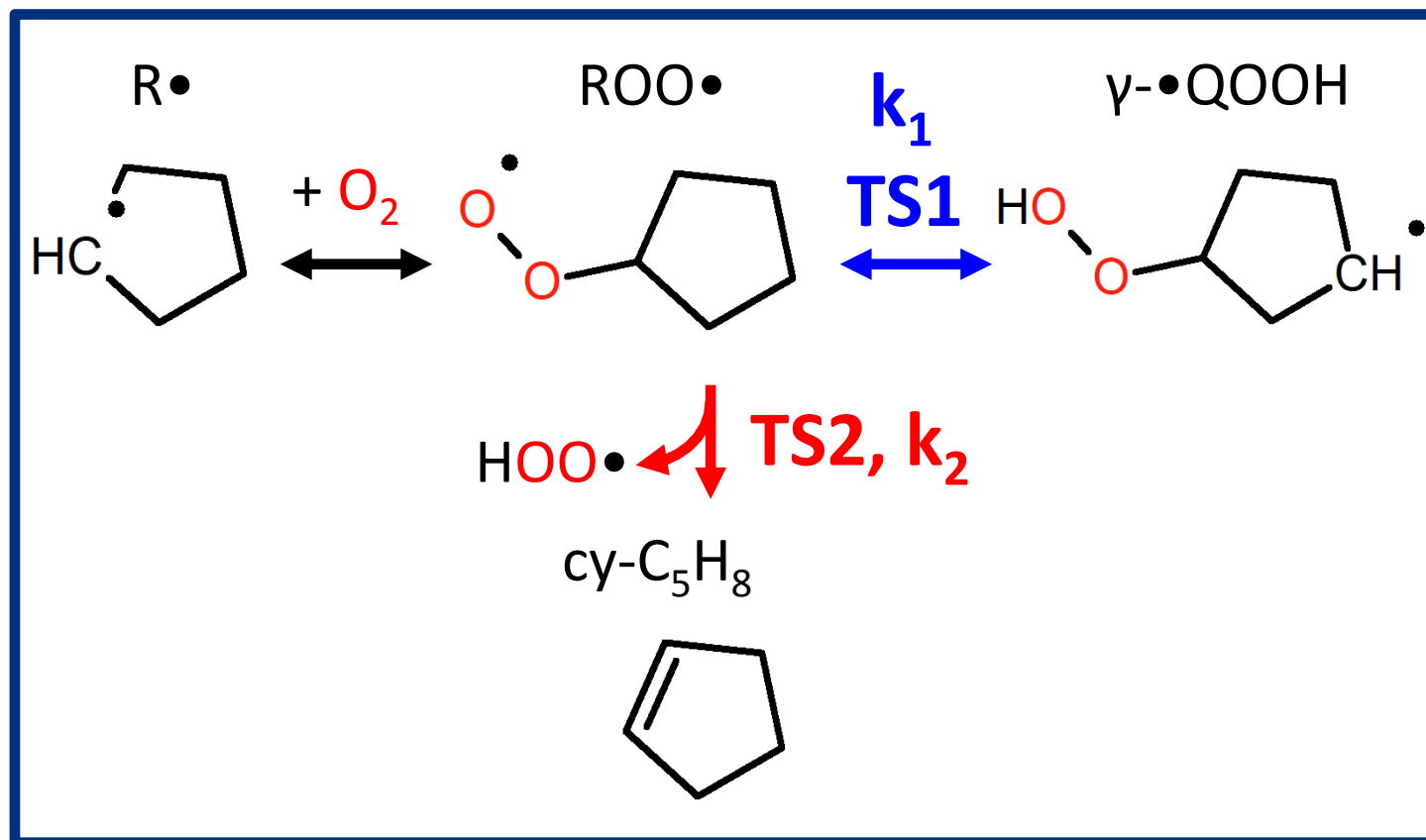


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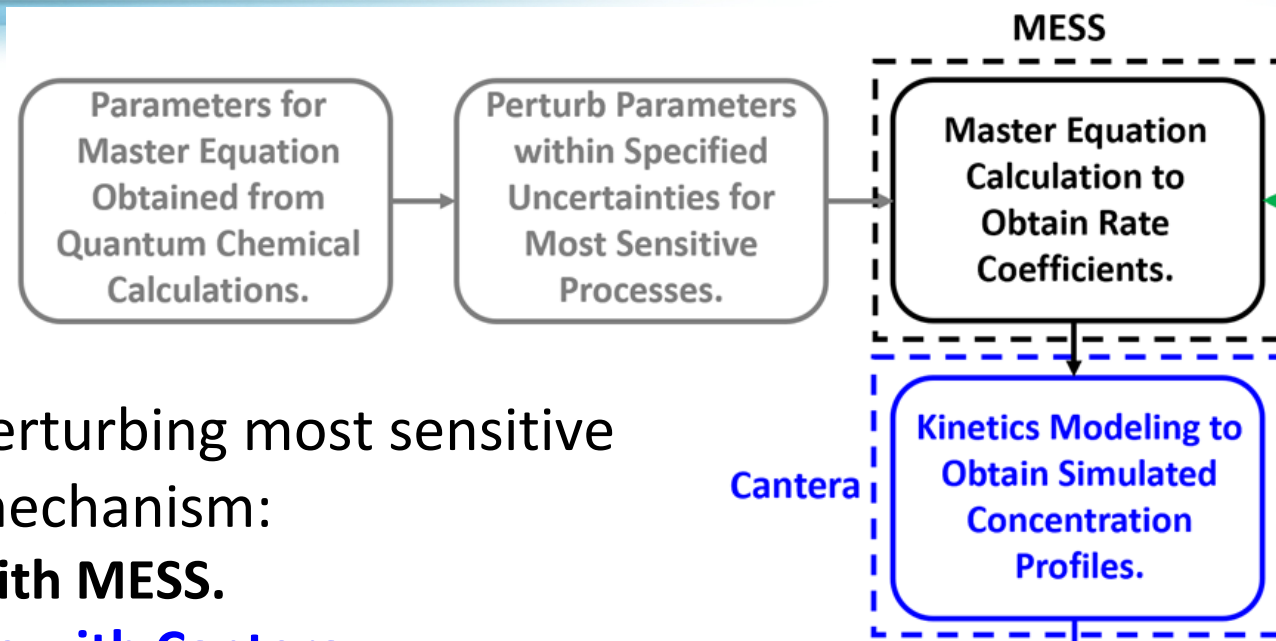
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## 1<sup>st</sup> O<sub>2</sub> Addition



Most sensitive parameters impact two rate coefficients.

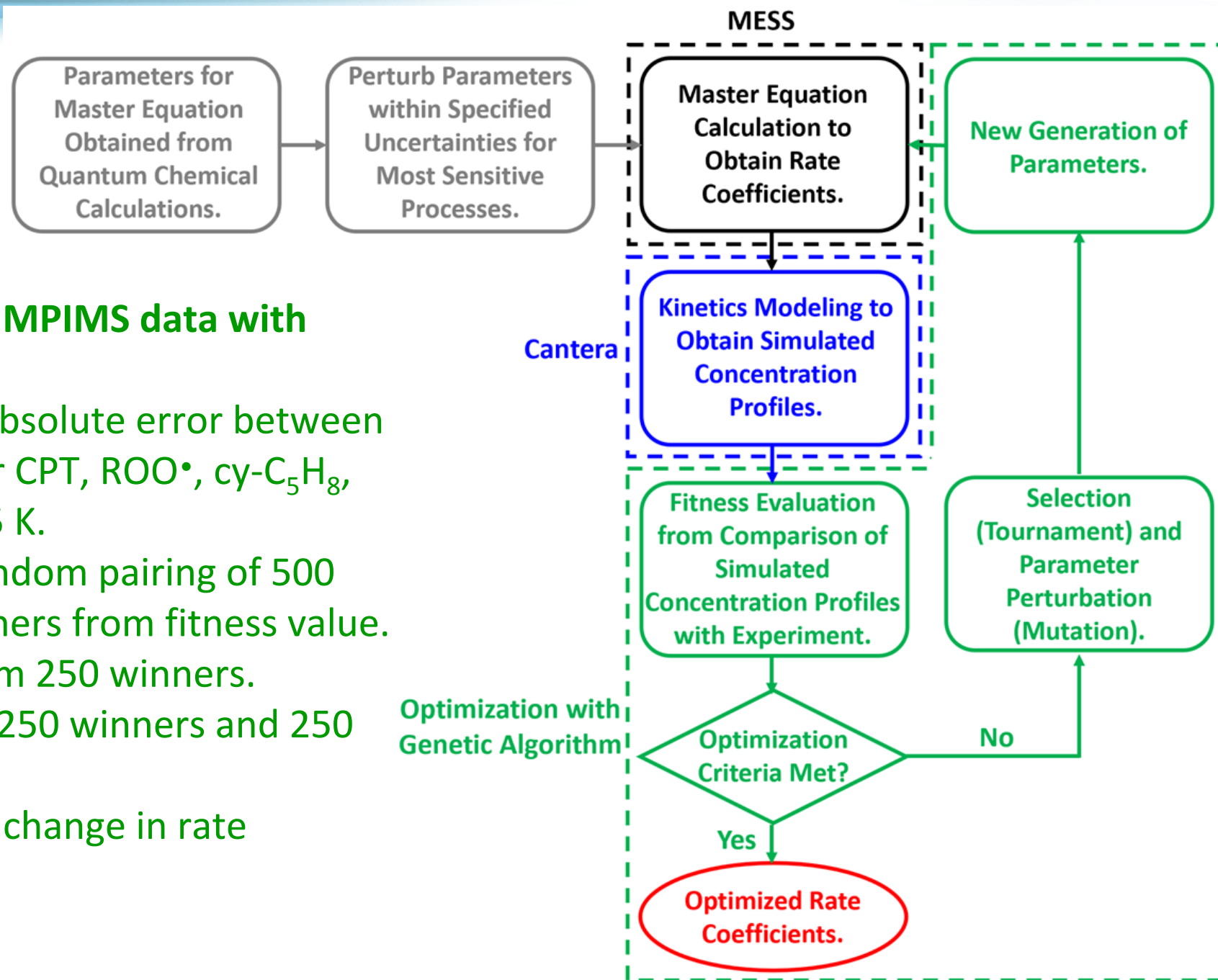
# Optimization Workflow:



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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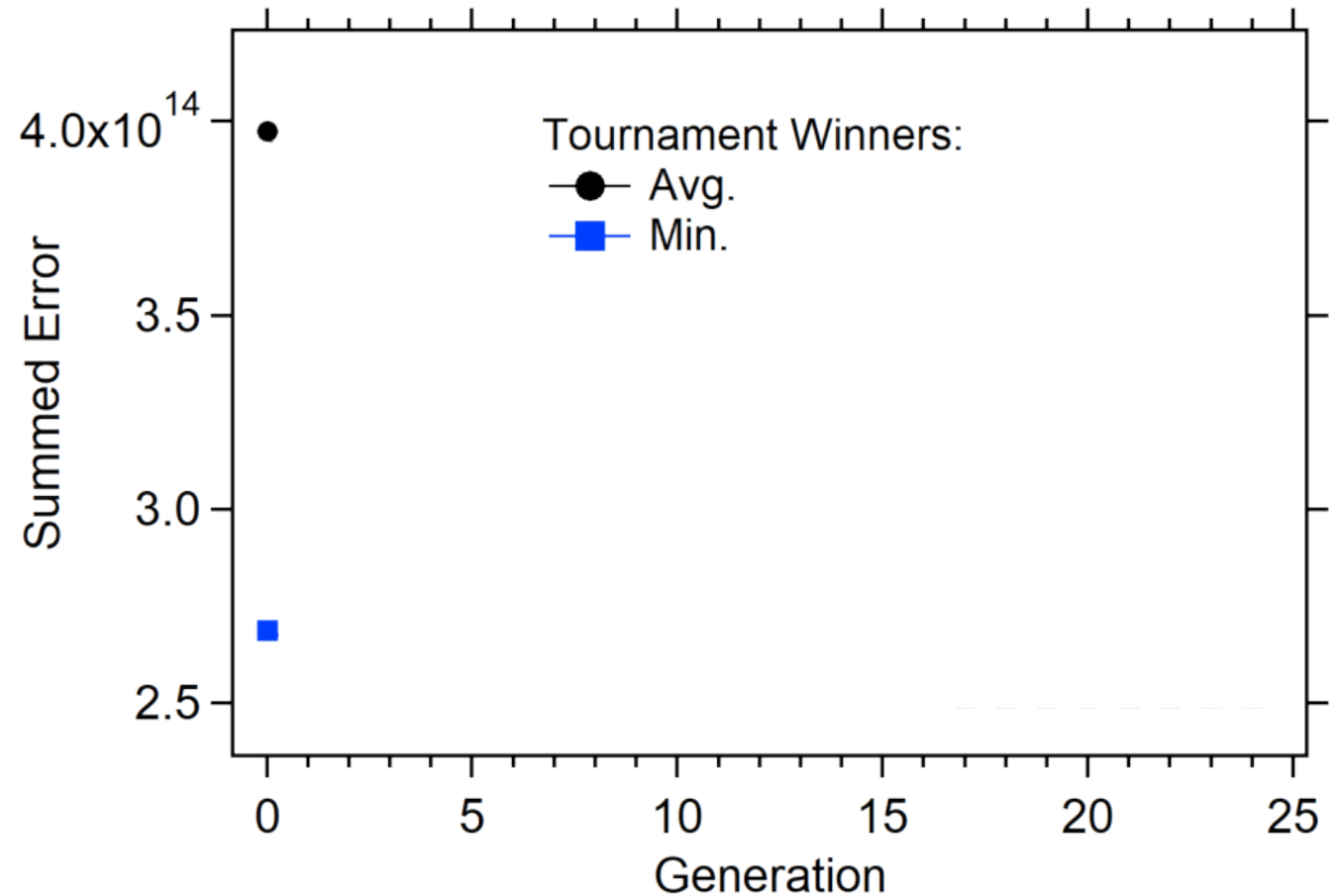
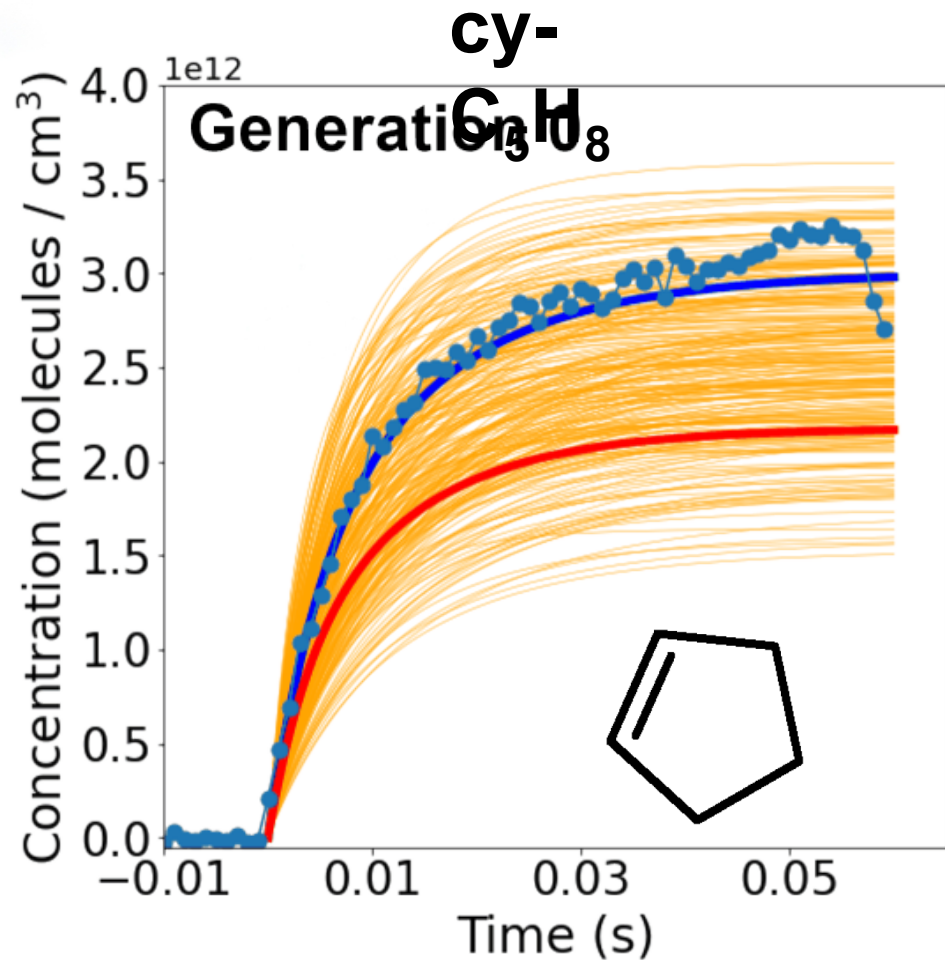
## 3) Optimize parameters against MPIMS data with genetic algorithm:

- 1) Fitness value: combined absolute error between model and experiment for CPT, ROO•, cy-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub>, 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-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub> at 575 K, 7500 Torr:

Simultaneous fitting to CPT, ROO•, cy-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub> and •OOQOOH at 450, 500, 525, 550, 575 K:



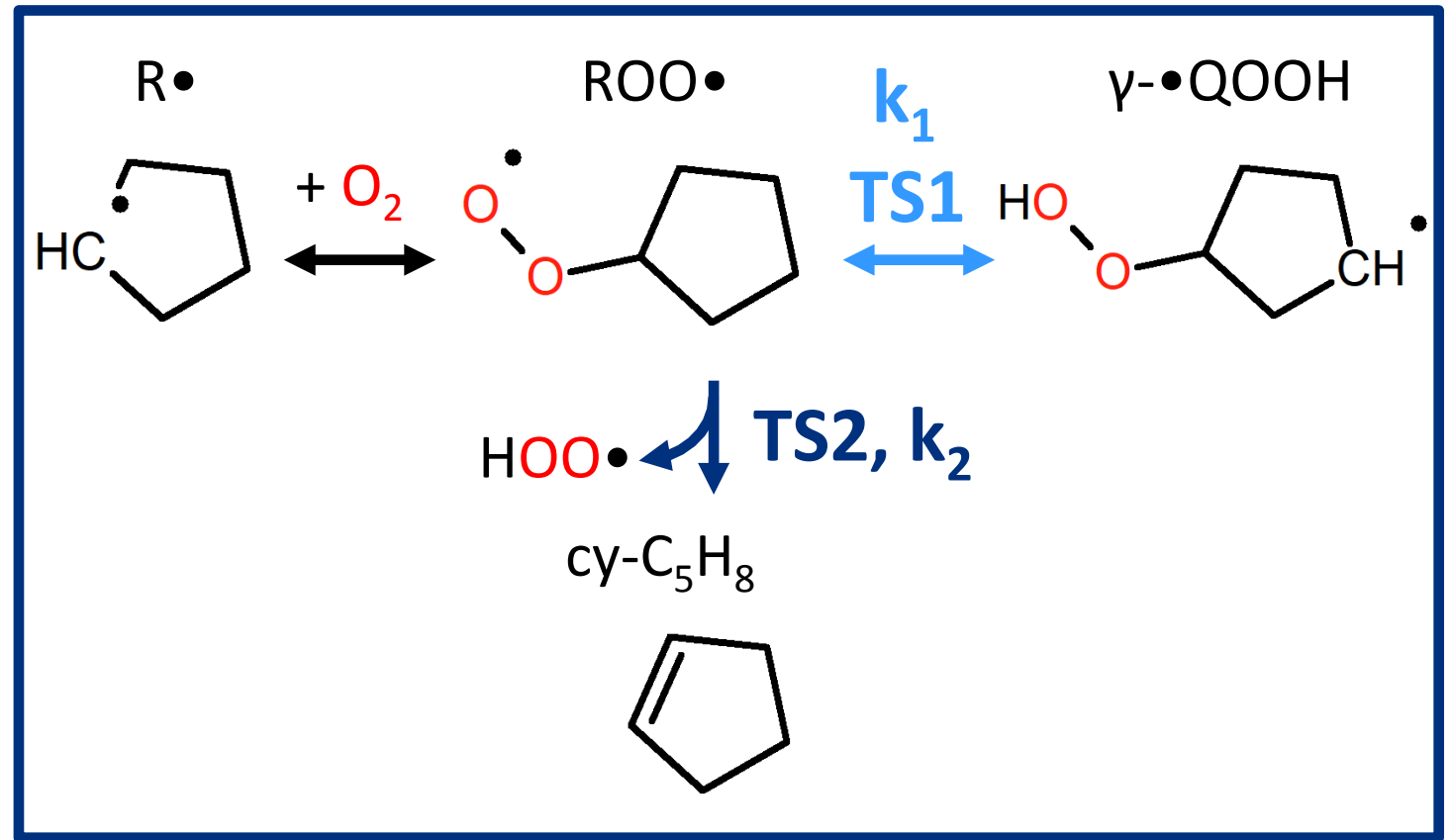
Experiment; Perturbed Models; Original Model; Best

Fit Model

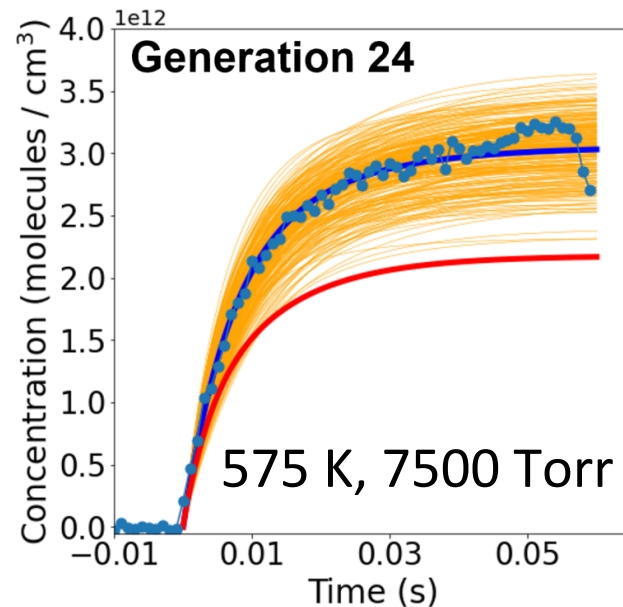
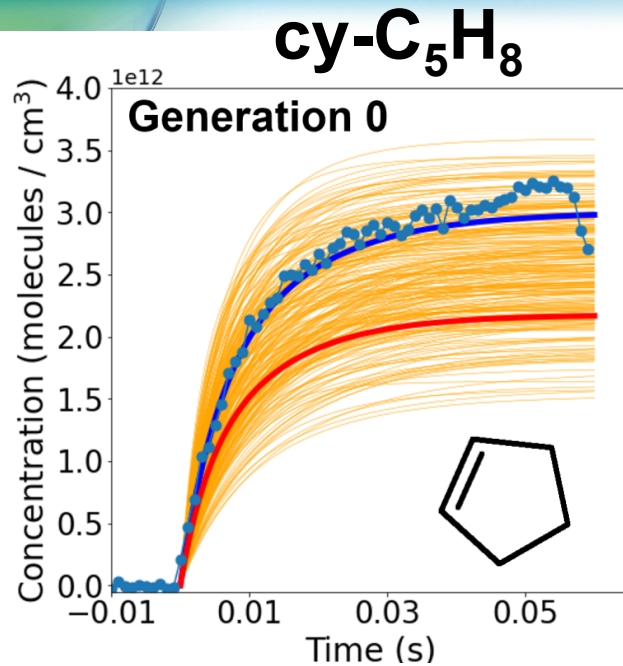


# Genetic Algorithm Optimization

## 1<sup>st</sup> O<sub>2</sub> Addition



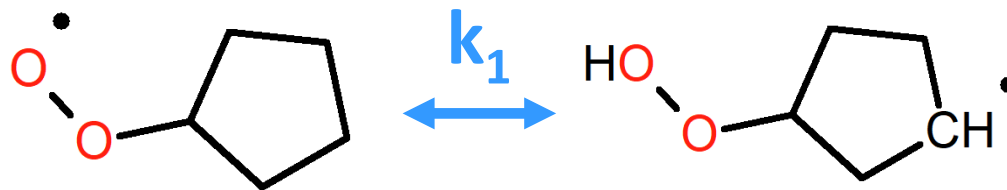
Optimization alters **k<sub>1</sub> (isomerization)** and **k<sub>2</sub> (HO<sub>2</sub> elimination)** to yield higher cy-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub> concentration.



Experiment; Perturbed Models; Original Model; Best

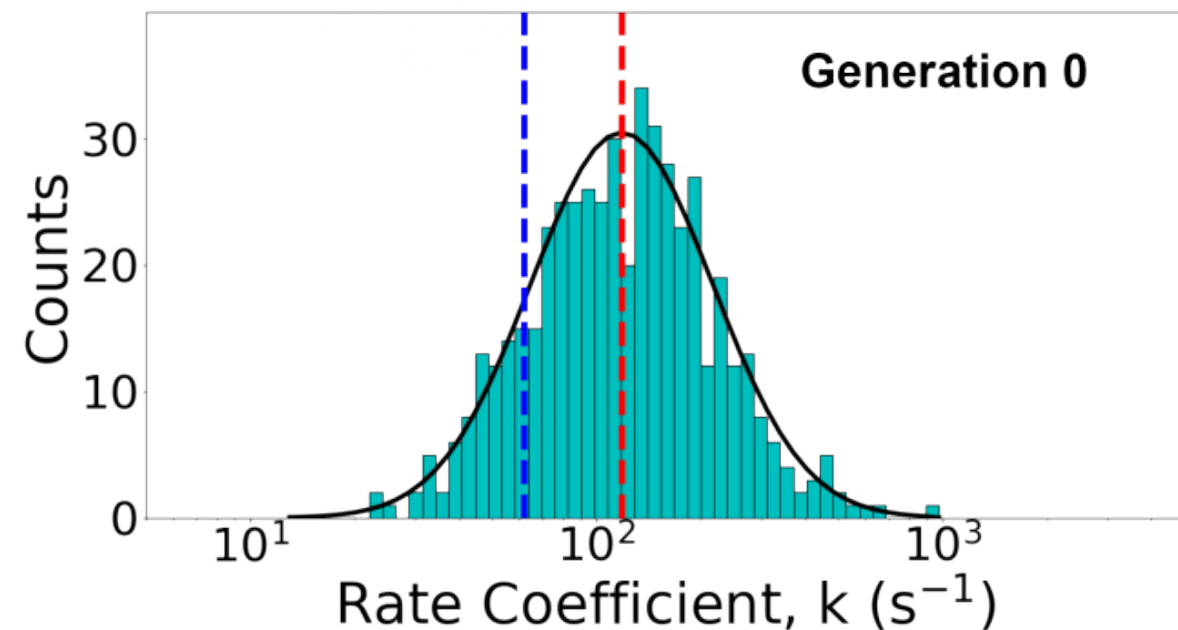
Fit Model

# Genetic Algorithm Optimization: Isomerization Reaction

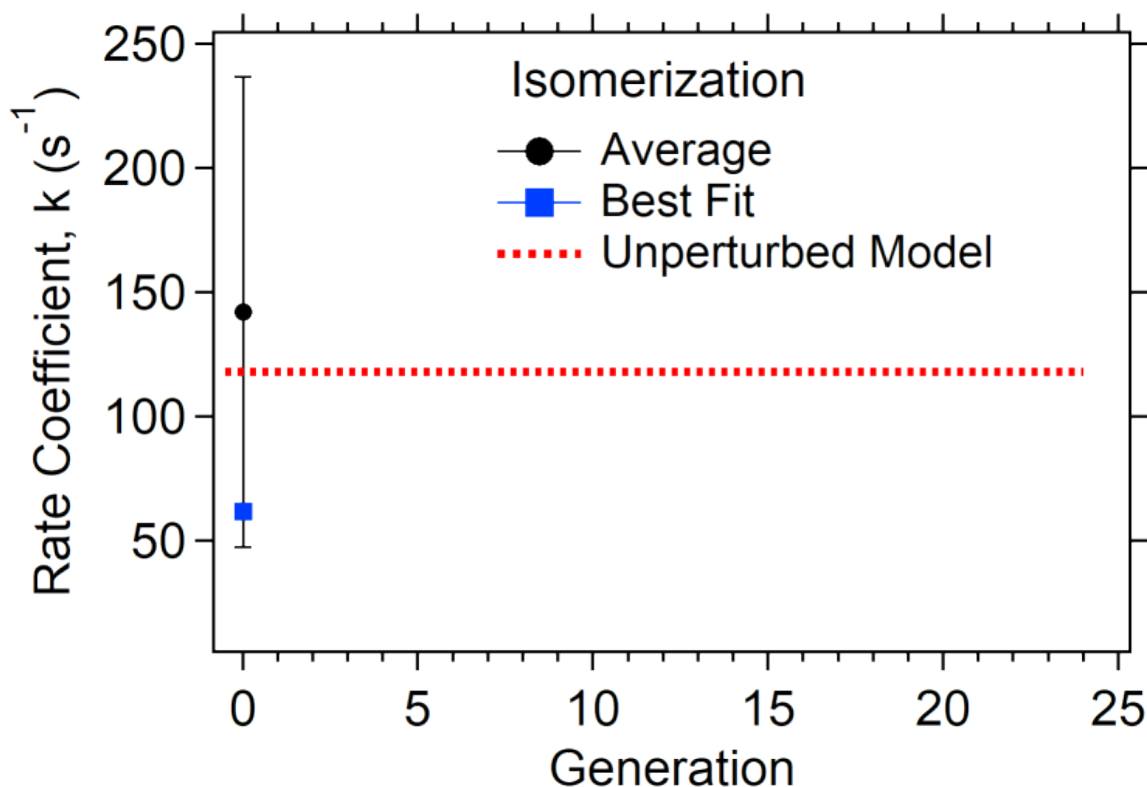


Optimization reduces  $k_1$  by a factor of  $\sim 2$  compared with the original model.

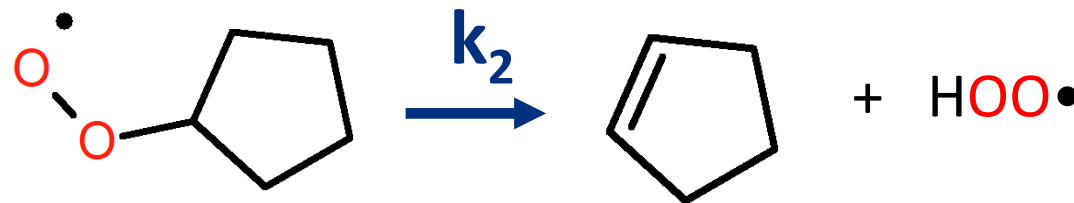
Top 250 fits, 575 K, 7500 Torr



Best fit; original, unperturbed model

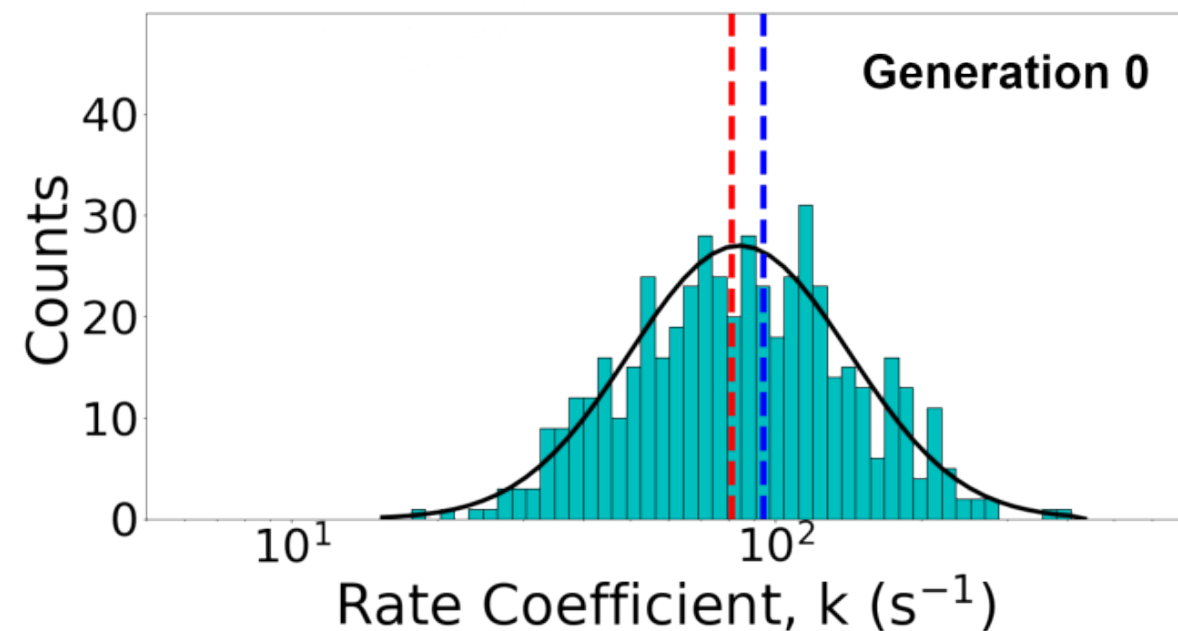


# Genetic Algorithm Optimization: HO<sub>2</sub> Elimination Reaction

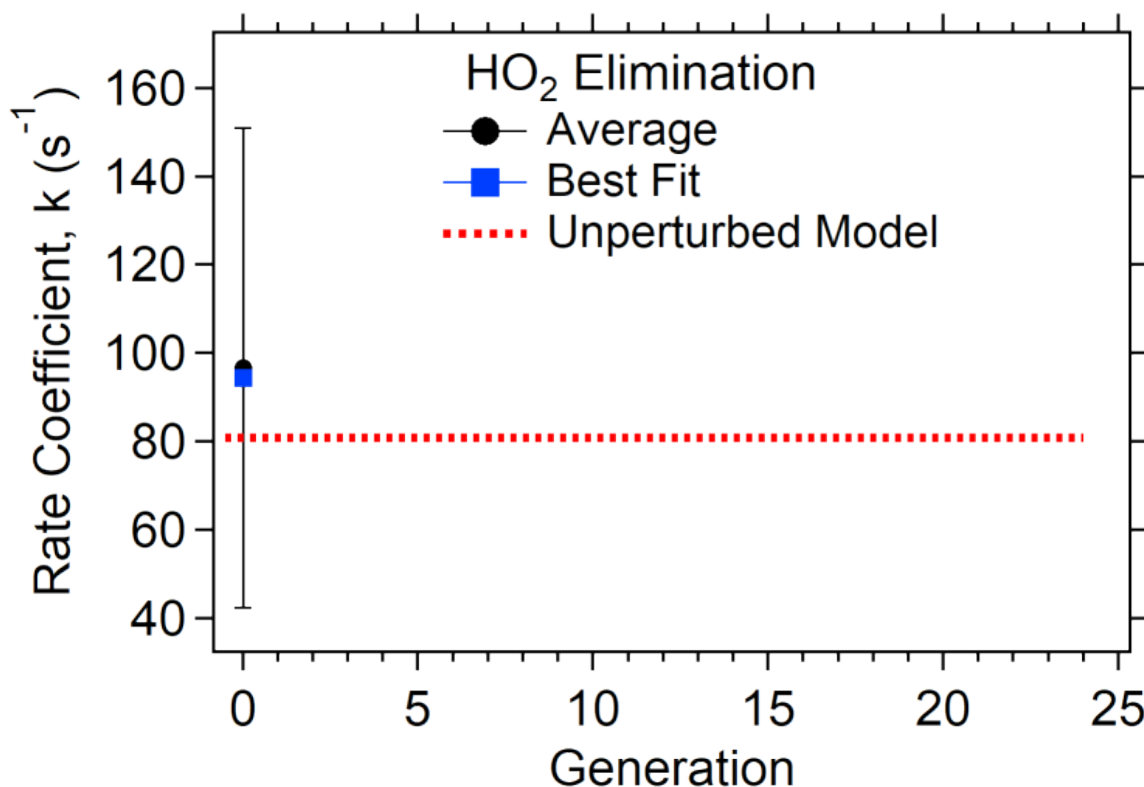


Optimization yields slightly larger  $k_2$  compared with the original model.

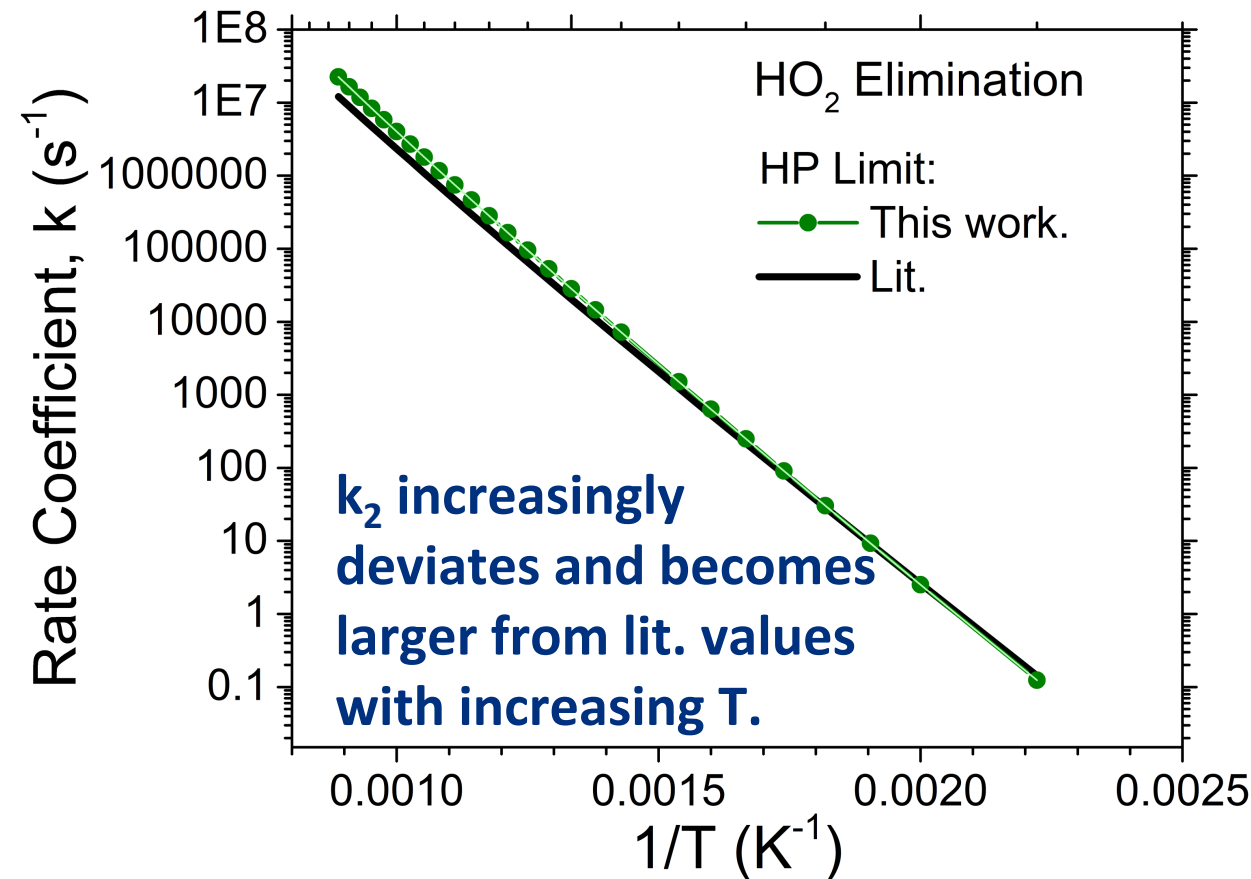
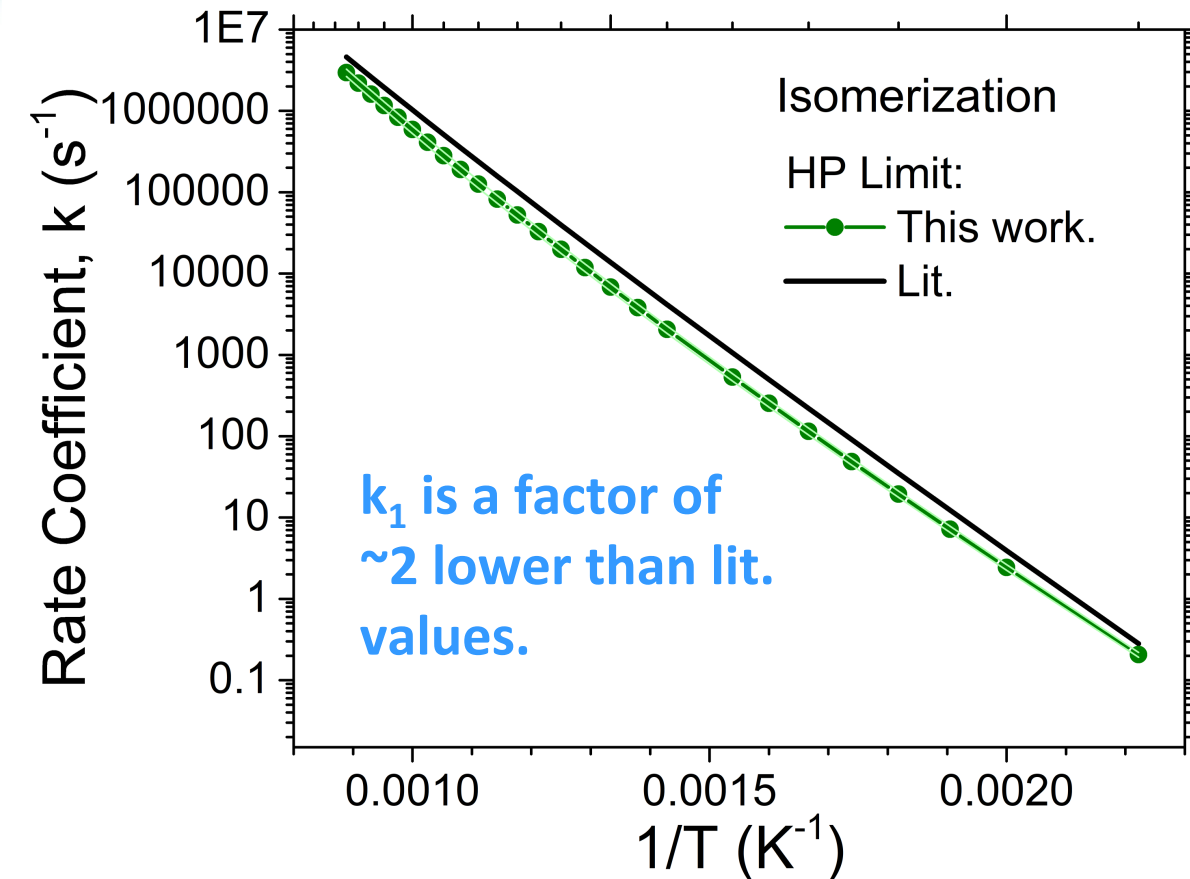
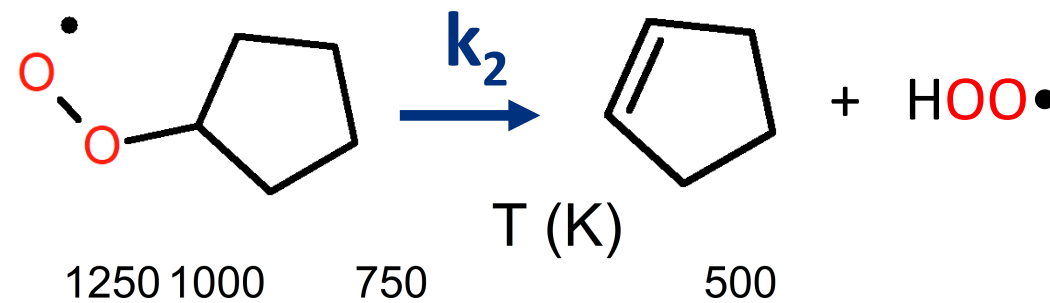
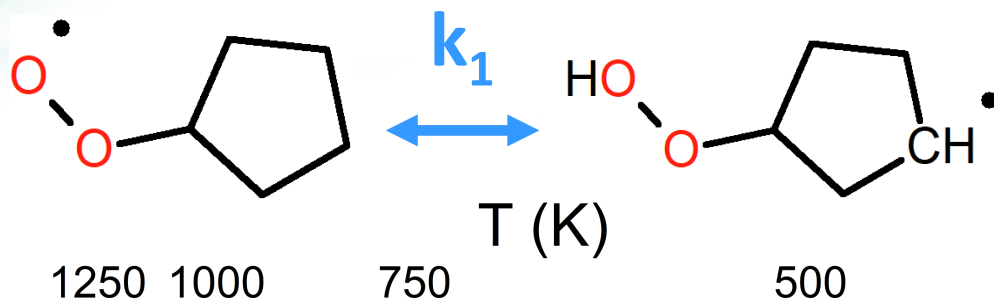
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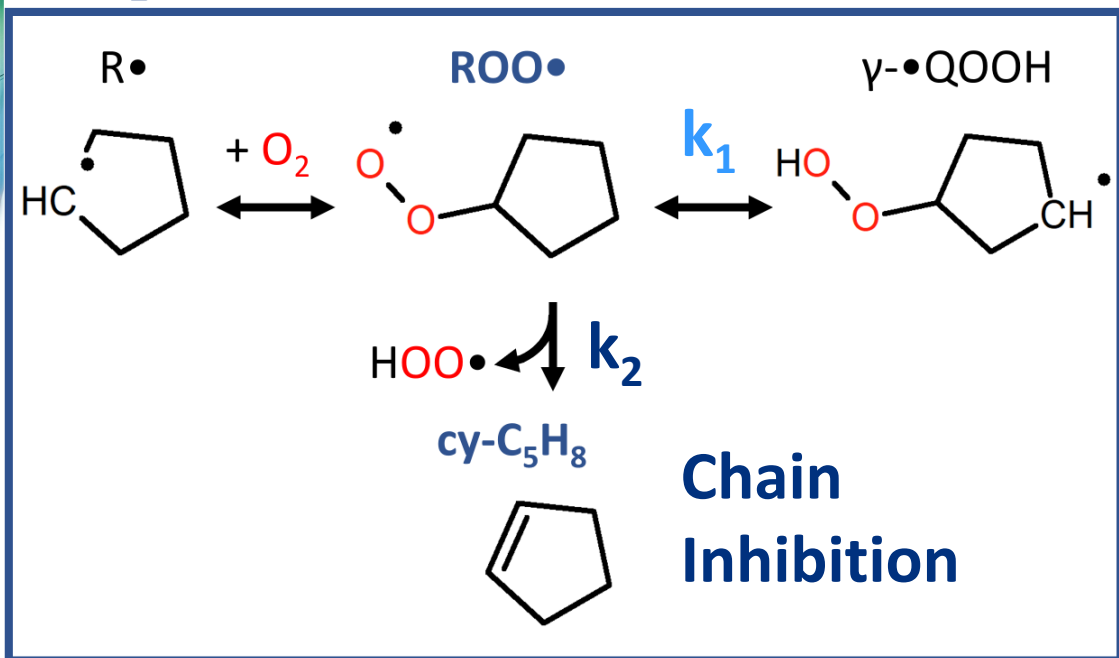
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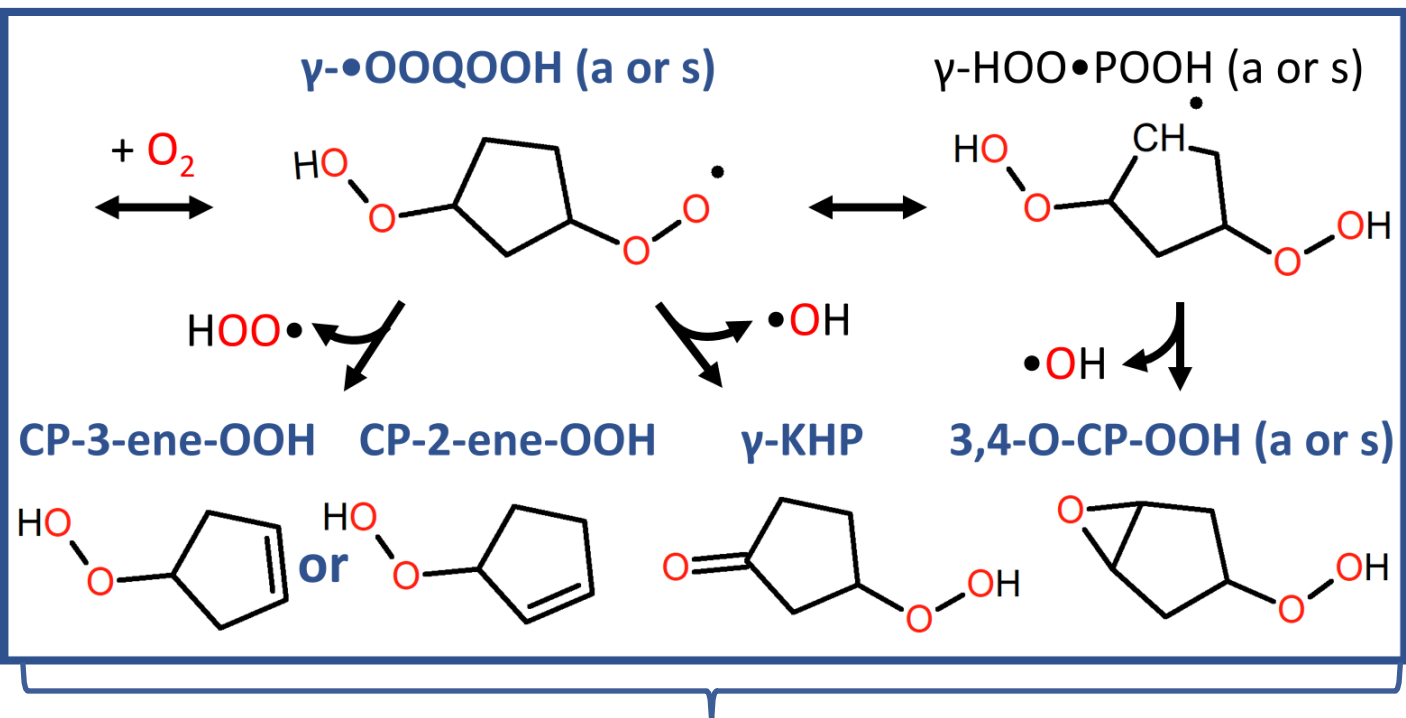
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# CPT Low-Temperature Reactivity

## 1<sup>st</sup> O<sub>2</sub> Addition



## 2<sup>nd</sup> O<sub>2</sub> Addition



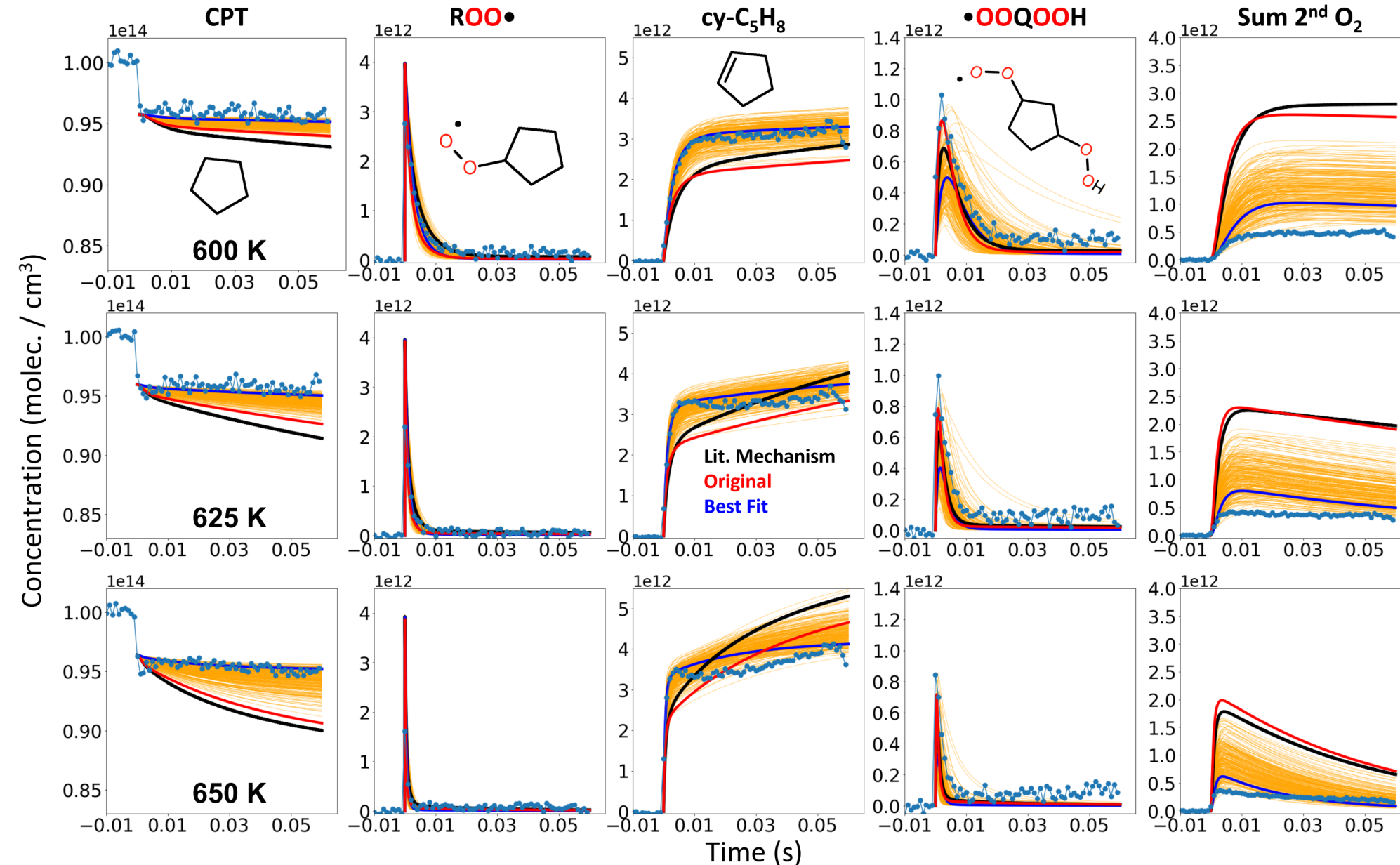
Decomposition of 2<sup>nd</sup> O<sub>2</sub> Addition Products  
Chain Propagation / Chain Branching

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:

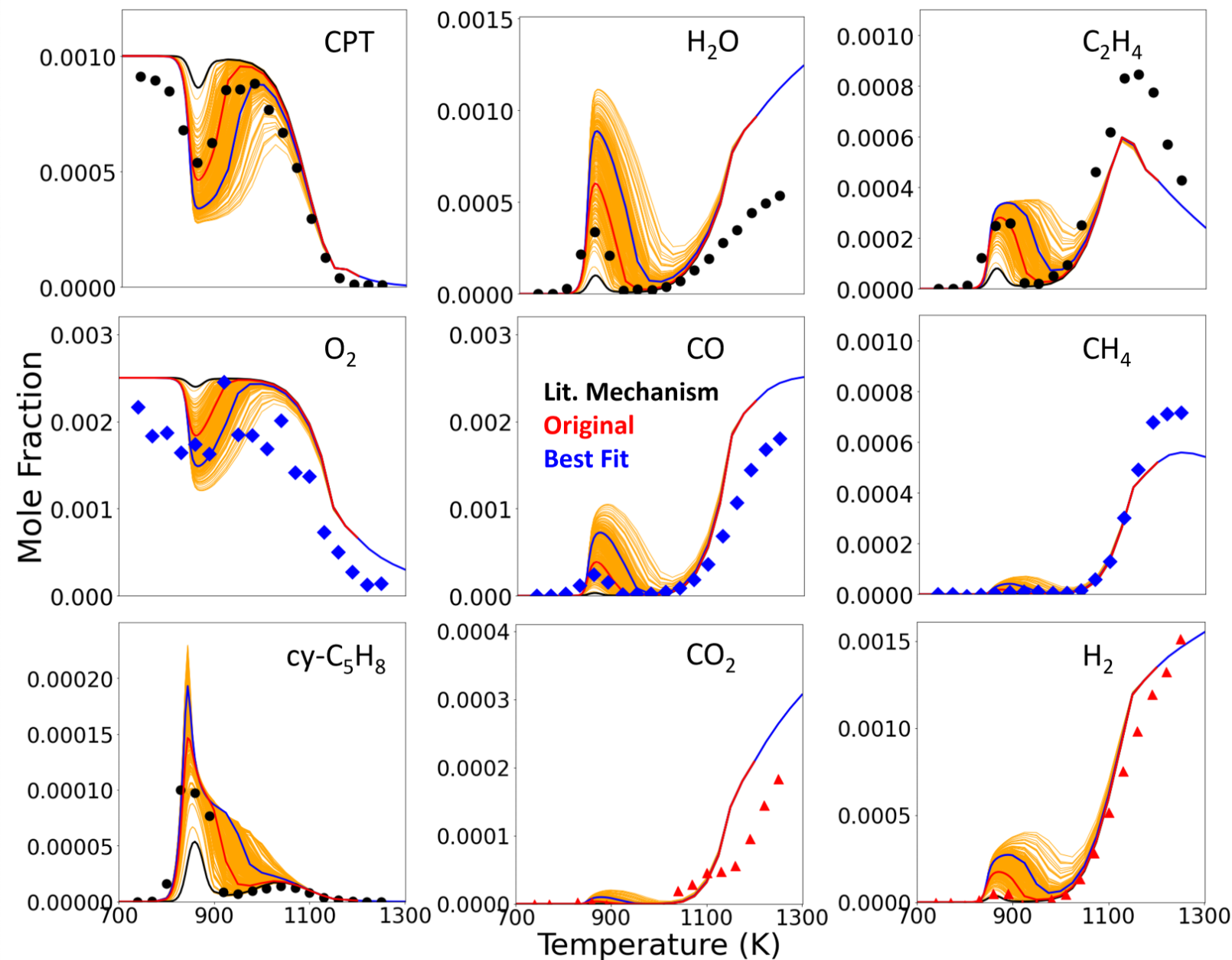
- Reproduce cy-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub> concentration significantly better compared with lit. and original models.
- Perform better than lit. and original models in capturing 2<sup>nd</sup> O<sub>2</sub> addition products and CPT consumption.

Lit. Mechanism:  
Lokachari, Wagnon,  
Kukkadapu, Pitz,  
Curran *Combust. Flame* **2021**, 225, 255.

# Evaluation Against High Temperature Jet-Stirred Reactor Data

Experimental data from: Al Rashidi et al. *Proc. Combust. Inst.*, **2017**, 36, 469.

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

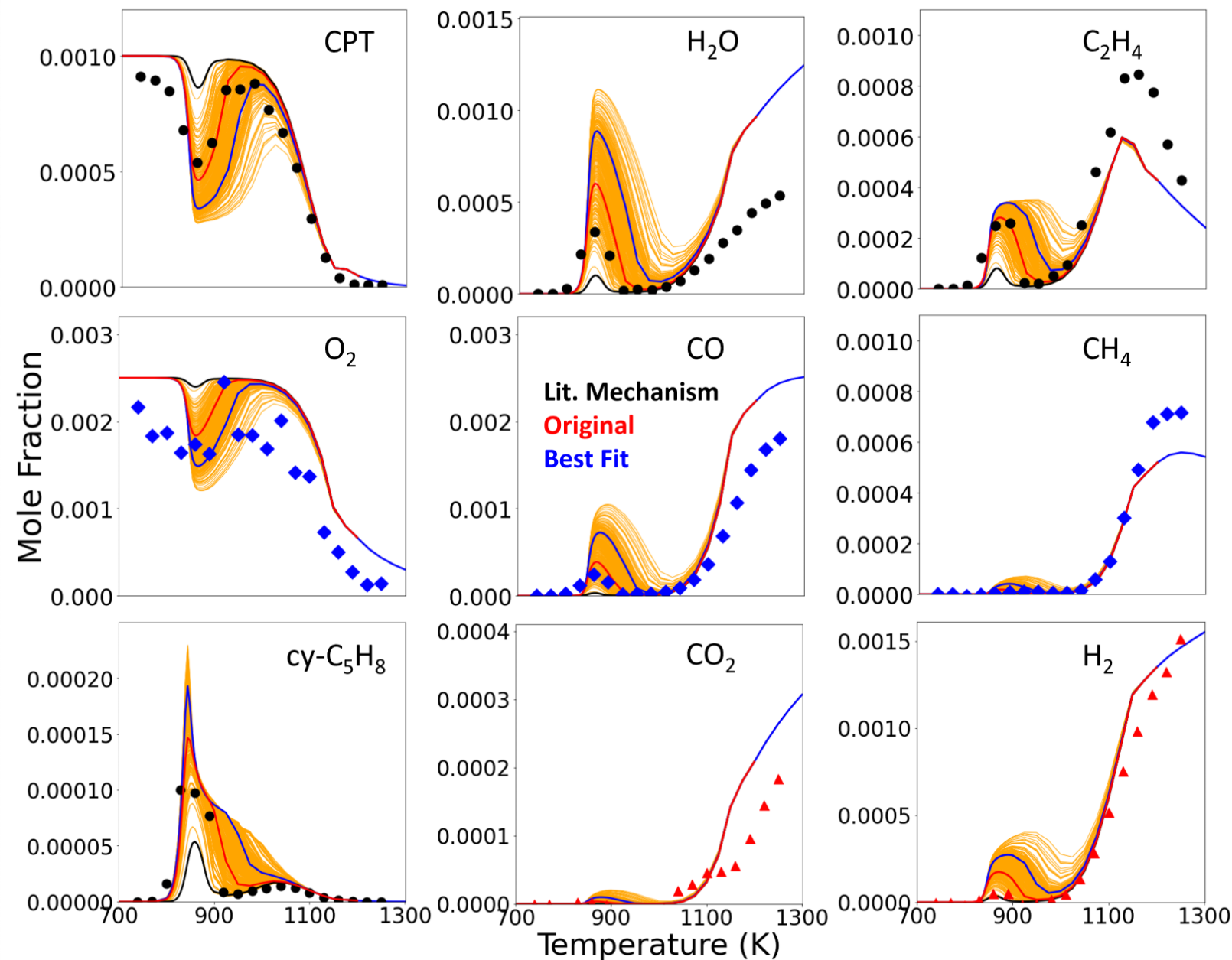


➤ Inhibition in CPT reactivity at 850 – 1000 K.

➤ Models exhibit a wide range of behavior, but generally do better than lit. mechanism.

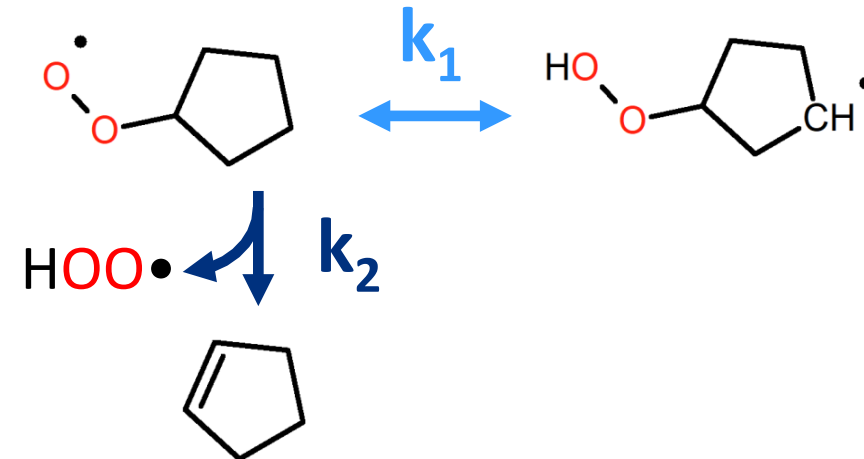
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- At fuel rich conditions, not much HO<sub>2</sub> produced.
- At high T, HO<sub>2</sub> reacts with allyl in OH producing pathways, which increases CPT reactivity.



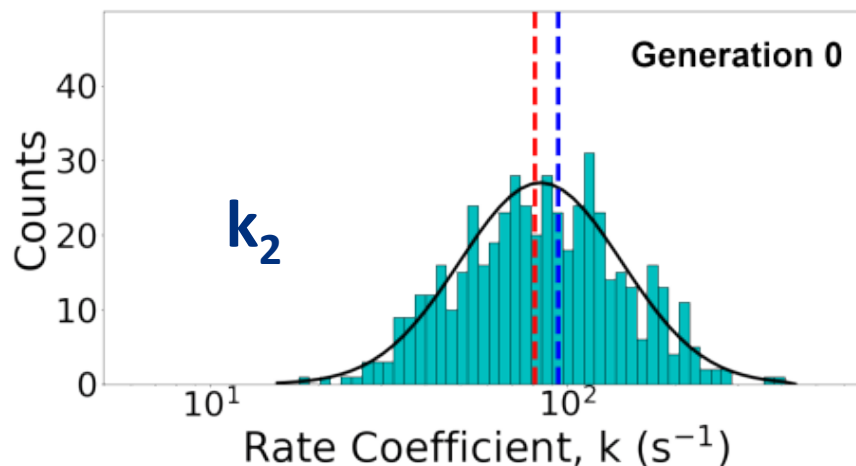
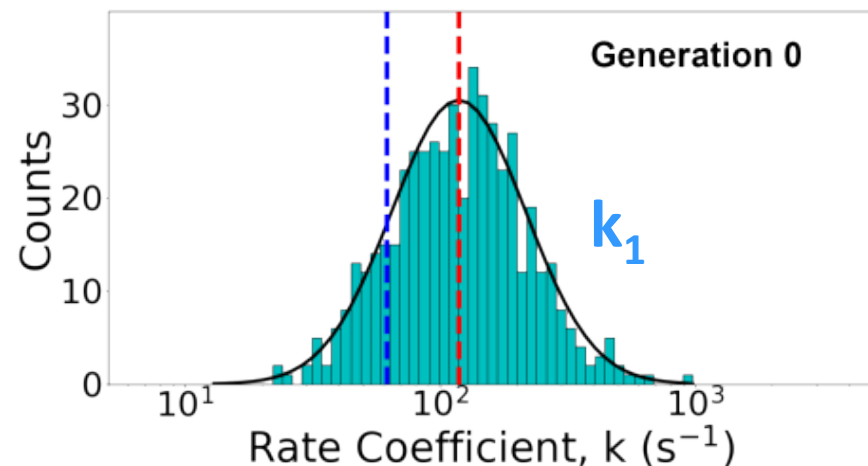
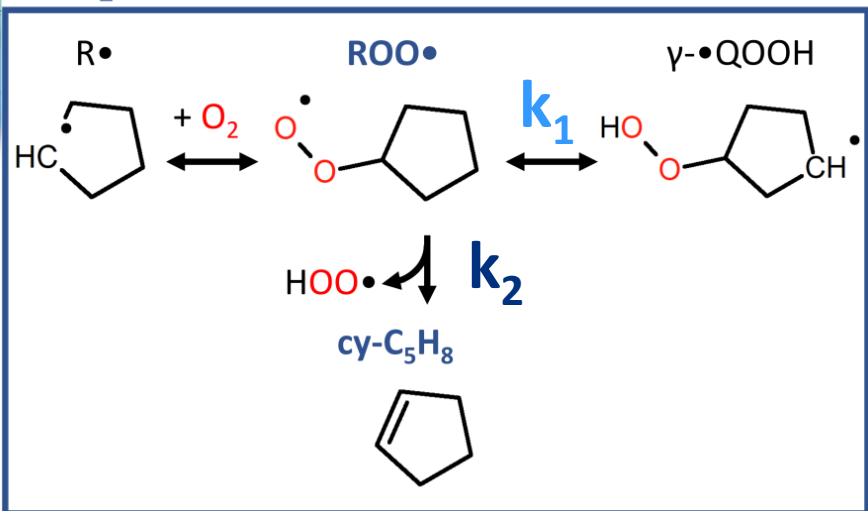
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# Conclusions

- 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.

## 1<sup>st</sup> O<sub>2</sub> Addition



- Effects of parameter uncertainties on model outcomes illustrated.



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