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Assessment of upper tropospheric HO_x sources over the tropical Pacific based on NASA GTE/PEM data: Net effect on HO_x and other photochemical parameters

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Abstract. Data for the tropical upper troposphere (8–12 km, 20°N–20°S) collected during NASA's Pacific Exploratory Missions have been used to carry out a detailed examination of the photochemical processes controlling HO_x (OH+HO₂). Of particular significance is the availability of measurements of nonmethane hydrocarbons, oxygenated hydrocarbons (i.e., acetone, methanol, and ethanol) and peroxides (i.e., H₂O₂ and CH₃OOH). These observations have provided constraints on model calculations permitting an assessment of the potential impact of these species on the levels of HO_x, CH₃O₂, CH₂O, as well as ozone budget parameters. Sensitivity calculations using a time-dependent photochemical box model show that when constrained by measured values of the above oxygenated species, model estimated HO_x levels are elevated relative to unconstrained calculations. The impact of constraining these species was found to increase with altitude, reflecting the systematic roll-off in water vapor mixing ratios with altitude. At 11–12 km, overall increases in HO_x approached a factor of 2 with somewhat larger increases being found for gross and net photochemical production of ozone. While significant, the impact on HO_x due to peroxides appears to be less than previously estimated. In particular, observations of elevated H₂O₂ levels may be more influenced by local photochemistry than by convective transport. Issues related to the uncertainty in high-altitude water vapor levels and the possibility of other contributing sources of HO_x are discussed. Finally, it is noted that the uncertainties in gas kinetic rate coefficients at the low temperatures of the upper troposphere and as well as OH sensor calibrations should be areas of continued investigation.

1. Introduction

Knowledge of upper tropospheric photochemistry is critical to understanding the global budget of tropospheric ozone and is particularly important in defining the role of ozone in climate change [e.g., Fishman *et al.*, 1979; Wang *et al.*, 1986; Lacis *et al.*, 1990; Roelofs *et al.*, 1997]. There is also great interest in the potential impact of aircraft emissions on upper tropospheric ozone [Brasseur *et al.*, 1996; Stevenson *et al.*, 1997]. Our current understanding of upper tropospheric photochemistry, however, continues to be limited for several reasons. Most notable is the lack of a comprehensive upper tropospheric database. Additionally, the role of fast vertical transport in altering the composition of the upper troposphere, while appreciated, is still difficult to quantify [e.g., Chatfield and Crutzen, 1984; Dickerson *et al.*, 1987; Pickering *et al.*, 1992; Davis *et al.*, 1996; Cohan *et al.*, 1999; S. Liu *et al.*, unpublished

manuscript, 1999]. Still a final factor relates to the inherent uncertainties associated with the gas kinetic rate coefficients used in modeling exercises. For the low temperatures involved at upper tropospheric altitudes, many of these coefficients have significantly higher uncertainties. Taken overall, these concerns clearly suggest that the photochemical picture of the upper troposphere is one that is likely to continue to evolve.

In the last few years, many attempts to verify the key features of upper tropospheric fast photochemistry have involved the use of photochemical models constrained by airborne observations. These exercises have been largely limited to model versus observational comparisons for the species NO₂, H₂O₂, and CH₃OOH [e.g., Crawford *et al.*, 1996; Davis *et al.*, 1993, 1996; Jacob *et al.*, 1996; Schultz *et al.*, 1999; Bradshaw *et al.*, 1999]. These comparisons provided important diagnostics for indirectly assessing model estimates for the fast photochemistry of HO_x (OH+HO₂). More recently, direct observations of HO₂ and OH in the upper troposphere and lower stratosphere have become available (e.g., Stratospheric Tracers of Atmospheric Transport (STRAT), [Wennberg *et al.*, 1998] and Subsonic Aircraft: Contrail and Cloud Effects Special Study (SUCCESS), [Brune *et al.*, 1998]). These observations have offered an opportunity for more direct tests of HO_x photochemical theory in the upper troposphere.

With the availability of these new HO_x measurements has come the realization that the photochemistry of the upper troposphere may be more complex than previously thought. For example, model calculations of upper tropospheric HO₂ and OH levels during both the STRAT and SUCCESS campaigns have revealed that model estimated values often fall well below those

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measured [Wennberg *et al.*, 1998; Jaeglé *et al.*, 1997, 1998; McKeen *et al.*, 1997; Brune *et al.*, 1998]. This disagreement has led to the suggestion that there may be gaps in our understanding of the chemistry in this region of the atmosphere. Such problems could exist with current mechanisms being used to model atmospheric chemistry. Alternatively, the databases being used to carry out the modeling may be inadequate either from the point of view of their being statistically non-representative of the environment being examined or in terms of their not providing the necessary constraints on model calculations. The above cited HO_x investigations focused on evaluating potential sources of HO_x previously unaccounted for in photochemical models. Sources identified in these studies that might explain the discrepancies were acetone and peroxides.

The importance of acetone as a source of HO_x in the upper troposphere was first identified by Singh *et al.* [1995] based on measurements taken during NASA's Pacific Exploratory Mission (PEM)-West B. The photolysis of acetone produces the radical species CH₃CO₂ and CH₃O₂ which, upon further reaction, can yield up to 3.2 HO_x radicals, given a high NO_x-to-HO_x environment. Additional oxygenated hydrocarbons measured by Singh *et al.* [1995] during PEM-West B were methanol and ethanol. These compounds are lost primarily through reaction with OH, and similar to many other nonmethane hydrocarbons, they can potentially serve as a net source of HO_x via further degradation of the primary radical species. Sources of oxygenated hydrocarbons are not well quantified, but include primary anthropogenic and biogenic emissions as well as secondary chemical sources from hydrocarbon oxidation [Singh *et al.*, 1994, and references therein]. Recent studies have provided evidence of particularly strong biogenic sources [Goldan, *et al.*, 1995; Kirstine *et al.*, 1998].

Peroxide compounds (e.g., H₂O₂ and CH₃OOH) have also been identified as a potential source of HO_x in the upper troposphere. The idea that peroxides might represent a source of HO_x was first proposed by Chatfield and Crutzen [1984], but more recently has been further explored by Prather and Jacob [1997] and Jaeglé *et al.* [1997, 1998] in light of the new upper tropospheric HO_x measurements. Peroxides represent a rather unique source of HO_x in that there are no direct emissions of these species. Being products of photochemistry, they have not traditionally been viewed as HO_x sources. By invoking fast convective transport, however, peroxide-rich boundary layer (BL) air can be moved to the upper free troposphere. In this case, peroxide species could be enhanced above what might be expected if their only source were local photochemistry. One can argue that this condition should be more likely for CH₃OOH

since it is relatively insoluble [O'Sullivan *et al.*, 1996] as compared to H₂O₂.

Although the STRAT and SUCCESS programs have opened up new opportunities for testing HO_x photochemical theory, both programs have lacked the supporting measurements of acetone and peroxides necessary for more conclusive results. The STRAT and SUCCESS studies have relied heavily on observations from NASA's recent Pacific Exploratory Missions (PEM) to infer possible levels of acetone and peroxides. This investigation examines the photochemical consequences of constraining model calculations with measurements of acetone, methanol/ethanol, and peroxides, as well as other critical photochemical parameters recorded during NASA's PEM missions. Of specific interest will be the upper tropospheric tropical data.

2. Observational Database

The data used in this analysis were recorded in the upper troposphere (8-12 km) over the tropical North and South Pacific Oceans. This region was visited on three separate occasions during NASA's Pacific Exploratory Missions: PEM-West A (PWA), September-October 1991; PEM-West B (PWB), February-March 1994; and PEM-Tropics A (PTA), August-October 1996. Figure 1 shows the geographic coverage of these campaigns. The PWA and PWB missions overlapped in the North Pacific, whereas PTA primarily sampled in the South Pacific. With some minor exceptions, the suite of measurements available to constrain the model calculations was the same for each flight campaign [Hoell *et al.*, 1996, 1997, 1999]. Equally important is the fact that the investigators and measurement techniques were nearly the same for all three campaigns. In addition to the standard photochemical modeling parameters (e.g., O₃, CO, NO, dew/frost point, NMHCs), observations were also reported for the centrally important labile oxygenated species H₂O₂, CH₃OOH, acetone, methanol, and ethanol, the latter three species being measured only in PWB.

Modeling results for PWA, PWB, and PTA have been based on merged data sets produced by S. Sandholm at the Georgia Institute of Technology. These merges are available by anonymous FTP from <ftp://lif.gtri.gatech.edu/pub>. Since each of these merges has a different time base (3 min, PWA; 30 s, PWB; and 60 s, PTA), adjustments have been made to provide a uniform statistical database spanning all three campaigns. The approach taken involved weighting the data such that the 30 s PWB data were counted once, the 60 s PTA data were counted twice, and the 3 min PWA data were counted six times. This

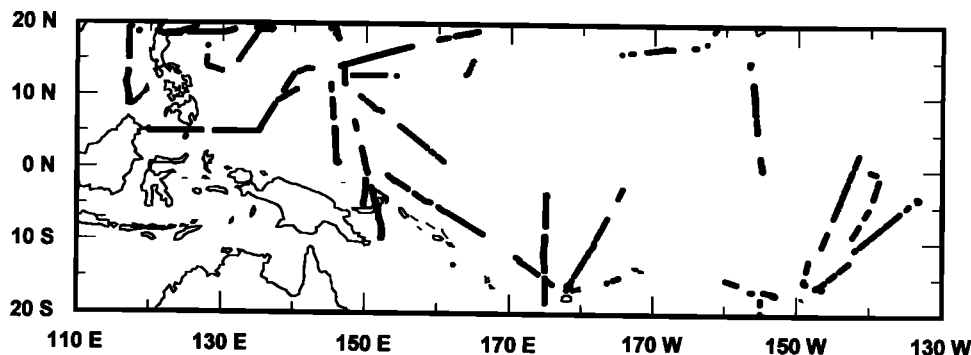


Figure 1. Geographic distribution of tropical upper tropospheric (8-12 km) data for PWA, PWB, and PTA.

Table 1. Distribution of Flight Data

Altitude	Flight Duration
8-9 km	9 hours, 20 min
9-10 km	8 hours, 56 min
10-11 km	6 hours, 18 min
11-12 km	2 hours, 16 min

procedure ensured that median statistics for the database were representative of the actual sampling times involved. Table 1 gives the size of the PEM database between 8-12 km. For this analysis, the data have been grouped into four altitude ranges of 1 km thickness.

The basic chemical input parameters O₃, CO, NO, and H₂O were available for all model calculations. Distributions for these constituents are shown in Figure 2. Concurrent NMHC observations were available for only 50% of the data. Gaps in these observations were treated as previously described by *Davis et al.* [1996] and *Crawford et al.* [1996, 1997b]. Interpolated values were used for 43% of the data with the remaining 7% being assigned regional median values for specific altitude bands.

2.1. Water Vapor

Water vapor measurements were available from three different instruments. For PWA, high-altitude water vapor data were those measured by Lyman- α fluorescence. For PWB, the data from a cryogenically cooled, chilled-mirror hygrometer [*Busen and Buck, 1995*] was used. During PTA, cryogenic hygrometer measurements were again available, but diode laser measurements of water vapor [*Vay et al., 1998*] were also recorded. The diode laser measurements which were available for ~60% of the high-altitude data provided an opportunity to examine the potential range of uncertainty in water vapor measurements. As noted by *Schultz et al.* [1999], agreement between the two sensors was quite good for mixing ratios above 100 ppmv (e.g., $\pm 30\%$). Below 100 ppmv, however, the diode laser was consistently higher than the cryogenic hygrometer by an average difference of 28 ppmv, with over 70% of the data differing by 20-40 ppmv. Given the low water vapor at 11-12 km (see Figure 2), the diode laser measured water vapor exceeded that reported by the cryogenic hygrometer by factors ranging from 2.5 to 4.7.

Since both of these systems have previously demonstrated the capability for measuring water vapor at tens of ppmv, this work does not attempt to resolve the discrepancy. Instead, data from

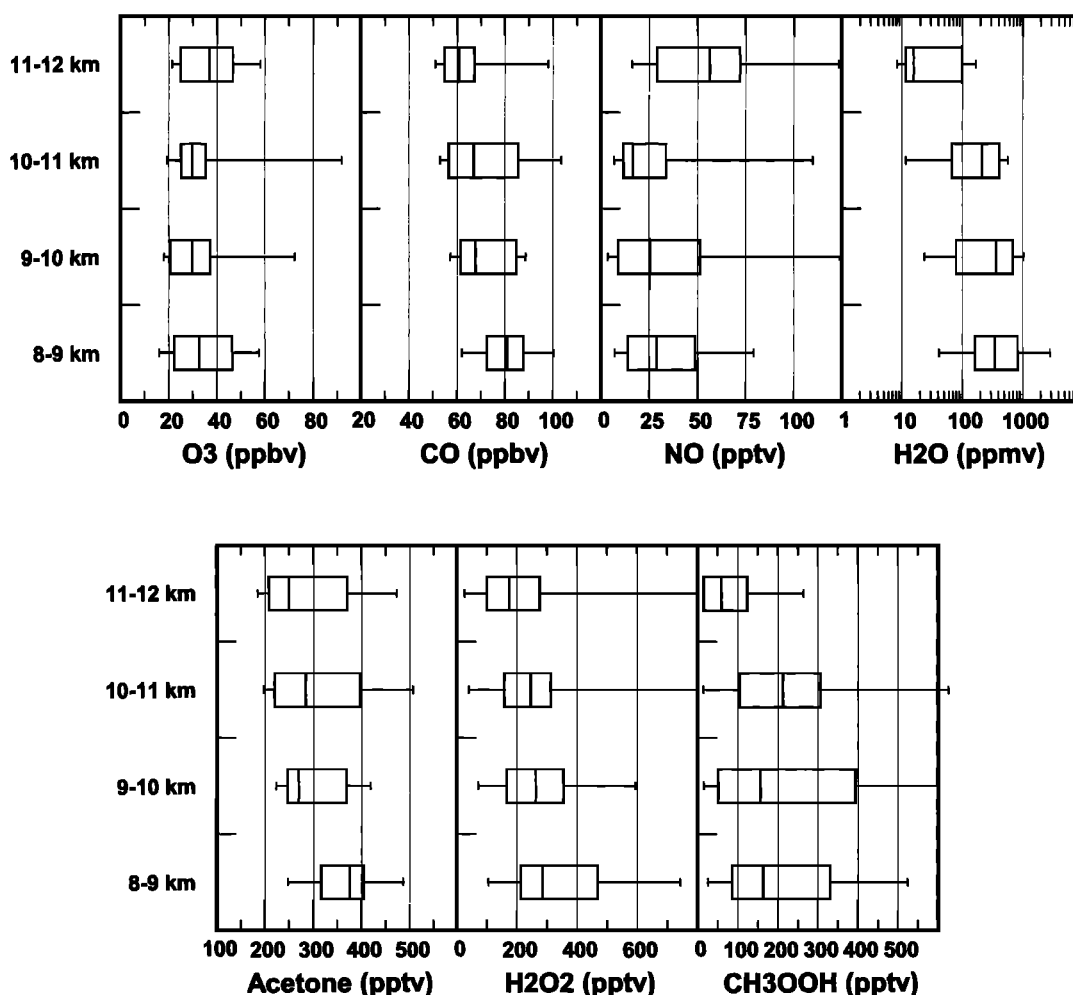


Figure 2. Distributions for key atmospheric constituents. The center line denotes the median value, boxes encompass the inner quartiles, and whiskers encompass to 5th and 95th percentiles.

the cryogenic hygrometer have been used since this system was operated during both PTA and PWB and also provided a larger database. However, calculations based on the diode laser water vapor are discussed later in the text. The water vapor distribution shown in Figure 2 is that defined by the cryogenic hygrometer for PWB and PTA and that recorded by the Lyman- α fluorescence instrument during PWA.

2.2. Oxygenated Hydrocarbons

Oxygenated hydrocarbon measurements were available only for PWB [Singh *et al.*, 1995]. These measurements suggested, however, that acetone, methanol, and ethanol are ubiquitous in the tropical upper troposphere. As a result, they have been used to infer acetone concentrations in a number of other studies [McKeen *et al.*, 1997; Jaeglé *et al.*, 1997, 1998]. For purposes of this study, acetone for PWA and PTA has also been inferred to allow maximum usage of the PEM database. Acetone values were inferred according to the analysis of McKeen *et al.* [1997] which revealed a strong correlation between acetone and CO in the upper tropospheric PWB data. In this study, inferred acetone values were used for 83% of the data analyzed. The distribution of acetone used in these calculations is shown in Figure 2.

Methanol and ethanol were also inferred according to the PWB observations. These observations showed methanol exceeding acetone in all cases with an average methanol-to-acetone ratio of 1.5. Thus, in those cases where acetone was inferred, the mixing ratio for methanol was taken to be a factor of 1.5 times larger. While ethanol was also shown to have measurable concentrations in the upper troposphere during PWB, concentrations were considerably more variable, and its short lifetime in the upper troposphere (~5 days) renders it far less predictable than either acetone or methanol. For this reason, a constant mixing ratio of 30 pptv was used when a measurement of ethanol was not available. This value is on the conservative side given that more than 85% of the high-altitude ethanol measurements exceeded this level.

2.3. Peroxides

The peroxide species H₂O₂ and CH₃OOH were measured in all three campaigns [Heikes *et al.*, 1996; O'Sullivan *et al.*, 1999]. Unlike the oxygenated hydrocarbons, peroxide species could not be easily inferred for gaps in the data; thus, the data used in this analysis were limited to those time periods for which measurements were available. The distribution of peroxides is given in Figure 2. This includes those periods when peroxides were at or below the limit of detection (LOD). LOD values for H₂O₂ and CH₃OOH were 15 and 25 pptv, respectively. While the uncertainty in these measurements varies with concentration, the typical uncertainty for the data used here is $\pm 30\%$. Note, while H₂O₂ was measured at LOD values for less than 2% of the data, LOD values for CH₃OOH comprise 12% of the data. Furthermore, 42% of the CH₃OOH data at 11–12 km were LOD.

3. Model Description

Data analysis for this study involved the use of a time dependent photochemical box model similar to that used for previous PEM related work [Davis *et al.*, 1993, 1996; Crawford *et al.*, 1996, 1997a, b]. The model mechanism has been updated to reflect the most current reactions and rate coefficient recommendations [DeMore *et al.*, 1997; Atkinson *et al.*, 1992] and includes basic HO_x-NO_x-CH₄ gas phase chemistry, nonmethane hydrocarbon (NMHC) chemistry, photolysis

reactions, and heterogeneous loss for soluble species. A detailed listing of reactions and rate coefficients are contained in the appendix. The NMHC chemistry is based on the condensed mechanism of Lurmann *et al.* [1986] with modifications that include appropriately updated rate coefficients, additional reactions for remote low-NO_x environments (e.g., formation of organic peroxides), and explicit chemistry for some species previously "lumped" into families (e.g., acetone, propane, and benzene). Photolysis rate coefficients are based on a DISORT 4-stream implementation of the NCAR Tropospheric Ultraviolet-Visible (TUV) radiative transfer code (S. Madronich, private communication). A more detailed description of the photolysis rate coefficient calculations is given by Crawford *et al.* [1999].

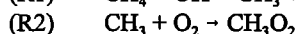
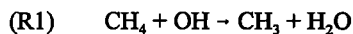
Model calculations are constrained by observations of O₃, CO, NO, NMHCs, temperature, dew point, and pressure. When measurements are available, model calculations can also be constrained by the following species: H₂O₂, CH₃OOH, HNO₃, PAN, acetone, CH₃OH, C₂H₅OH, HCOOH, and CH₃COOH. With the exception of NO, constraining parameters are assumed to be constant over the diurnal cycle. NO is allowed to vary diurnally; however, total short-lived nitrogen (NO+NO₂+NO₃+2N₂O₅+HONO+HO₂NO₂) is held constant. The amount of short-lived nitrogen is determined such that the NO concentration matches the measurement at the appropriate time of day. Photochemistry dictates the partitioning of short-lived nitrogen among the constituent species.

Model-calculated species are assumed to be at steady state, meaning that concentrations were integrated in time until their diurnal cycles no longer varied from day to day. Results presented here are based on diurnal average values for calculated species and photochemical rates.

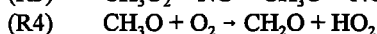
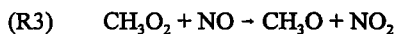
4. Approach

Assessing the impact of individual HO_x sources in the upper troposphere is complicated by the fact that the system is highly nonlinear. One approach taken in earlier studies has involved looking at primary source strengths for individual pathways [Wennberg *et al.*, 1998; Jaeglé *et al.*, 1997]. While this does provide an indication of the relative importance of various HO_x sources, it does not fully address the most pivotal question concerning the final impact on HO_x concentrations. In the upper troposphere, HO_x tends to be regulated not by primary sources, but by secondary formation through the oxidation of CH₄ and other NMHCs [Liu *et al.*, 1980]. Additionally, some of the most important sink processes for HO_x are quadratic losses (HO₂+HO₂, HO₂+OH); thus, absolute HO_x concentrations are not very sensitive to changes in primary production rates. This can be most clearly demonstrated with an example based on actual PEM flight data. A specific data sample from PTA flight 17 was chosen with the following conditions: 8.7 km, 38 ppbv O₃, 80 ppbv CO, 100 pptv NO, 93 ppmv H₂O, and 363 pptv acetone. Based on these input conditions, three calculations were conducted. The first considered only the impact of primary production of HO_x from water vapor. The second included only primary production from acetone. The predicted HO_x for these two calculations was identical (i.e., 2.45 $\times 10^7$ molecules/cm³). In a third calculation which included both primary sources, the predicted HO_x increased to 2.92 $\times 10^7$ molecules/cm³. Thus, when combined, these two HO_x sources resulted in only 20% more HO_x than each could produce by itself in isolation. This result can only be understood when the importance of secondary HO_x formation is examined.

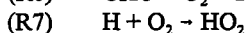
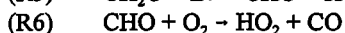
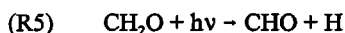
Secondary formation of HO_x is initiated by the oxidation of CH₄ (or some other hydrocarbon species) by OH to form organic peroxy radicals, e.g.:



In the presence of NO, these organic peroxy radicals can react to form HO₂ and formaldehyde (CH₂O), e.g.:



Through photolysis, formaldehyde can yield additional HO₂:



For the first sample calculation discussed above, the diurnal average primary HO_x source from water vapor (i.e., O(¹D)+H₂O) was approximately 8×10^3 molecules cm⁻³ s⁻¹. The secondary formation rate resulting from the combination of (R3) and (R5) totaled 4.5×10^4 molecules cm⁻³ s⁻¹. Thus, primary production constituted only about 15% of the total HO_x formation rate. In the case of the second calculation, CH₃O₂ and CH₂O resulting from acetone photolysis versus methane oxidation had to be differentiated, but the same result (i.e., 8×10^3 versus 4.5×10^4 molecules cm⁻³ s⁻¹) was determined. In the third calculation, the combination of primary sources doubles primary formation, but the increase in secondary formation depends on the increase in OH which is small given the quadratic loss of HO_x. Thus, the

total formation rate of HO_x in the third calculation is only about 35% greater than that for the first two calculations despite a doubling in primary production.

For purposes of this study, an approach has been taken that does not attempt to evaluate the relative importance of individual primary sources. Rather, a series of sensitivity calculations has been conducted to evaluate how predictions of HO_x and related photochemical parameters change for successive degrees of model constraint. This sensitivity analysis examines the incremental change in model calculations based on PEM data by constraining the model according to the following progression: (1) water vapor, (2) NMHCs, (3) acetone, (4) methanol/ethanol, (5) CH₃OOH, and (6) H₂O₂. As demonstrated above, the order in which these constraints are invoked cannot be construed as any indication of their relative importance in terms of primary production of HO_x; however, there are other procedural reasons for choosing this order.

Water vapor is considered first. Through O(¹D)+H₂O, it represents the most basic HO_x precursor that is universally considered in all models; thus, any changes to our current understanding of upper tropospheric HO_x chemistry should be referenced to how these modifications alter this basic chemistry. NMHCs are considered next since they also represent an input to models that has been well recognized. They sometimes are neglected in the upper troposphere due to low concentrations, but they still represent a basic component of most photochemical models.

Acetone represents a more recently recognized addition to the basic photochemistry of the upper troposphere. Since the work of Singh *et al.* [1995], the impact of acetone has been considered in several photochemical analyses of NASA GTE data [Davis *et al.*, 1996; Jacob *et al.*, 1996; Crawford *et al.*, 1997a, b; Schultz

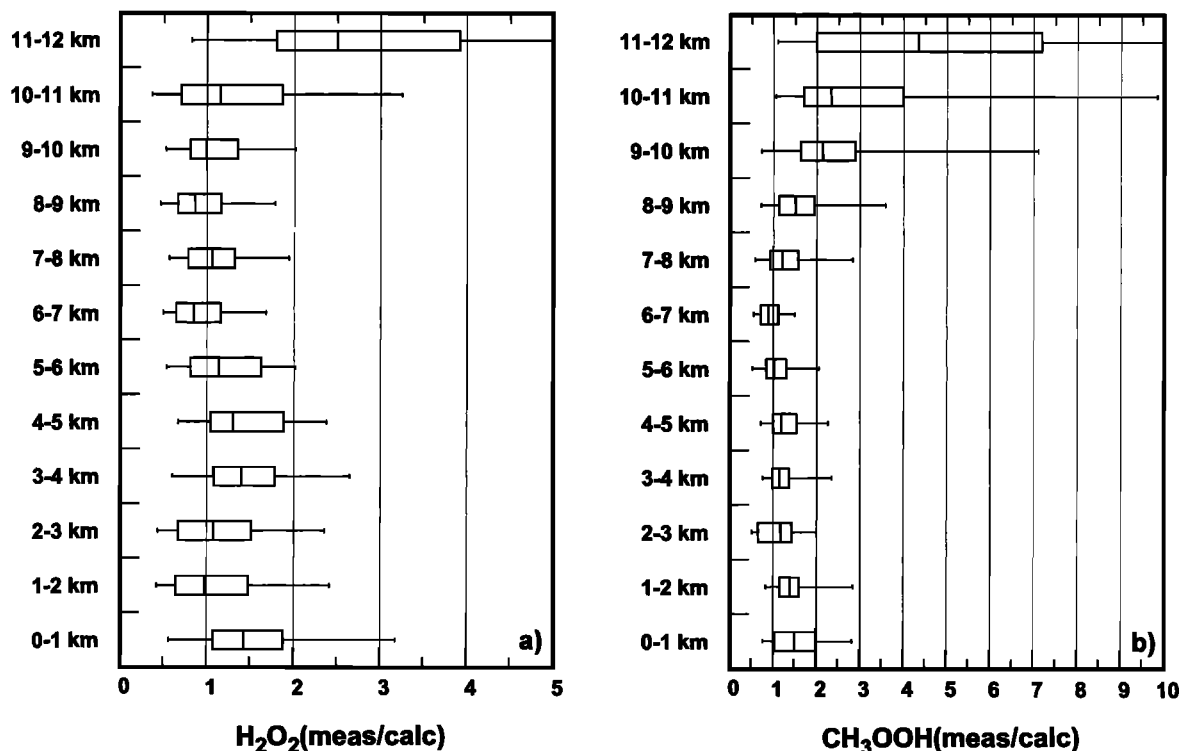


Figure 3. Box-whisker plot of (a) H₂O₂(meas/calc) and (b) CH₃OOH(meas/calc). See Figure 2 for box-whisker definition.

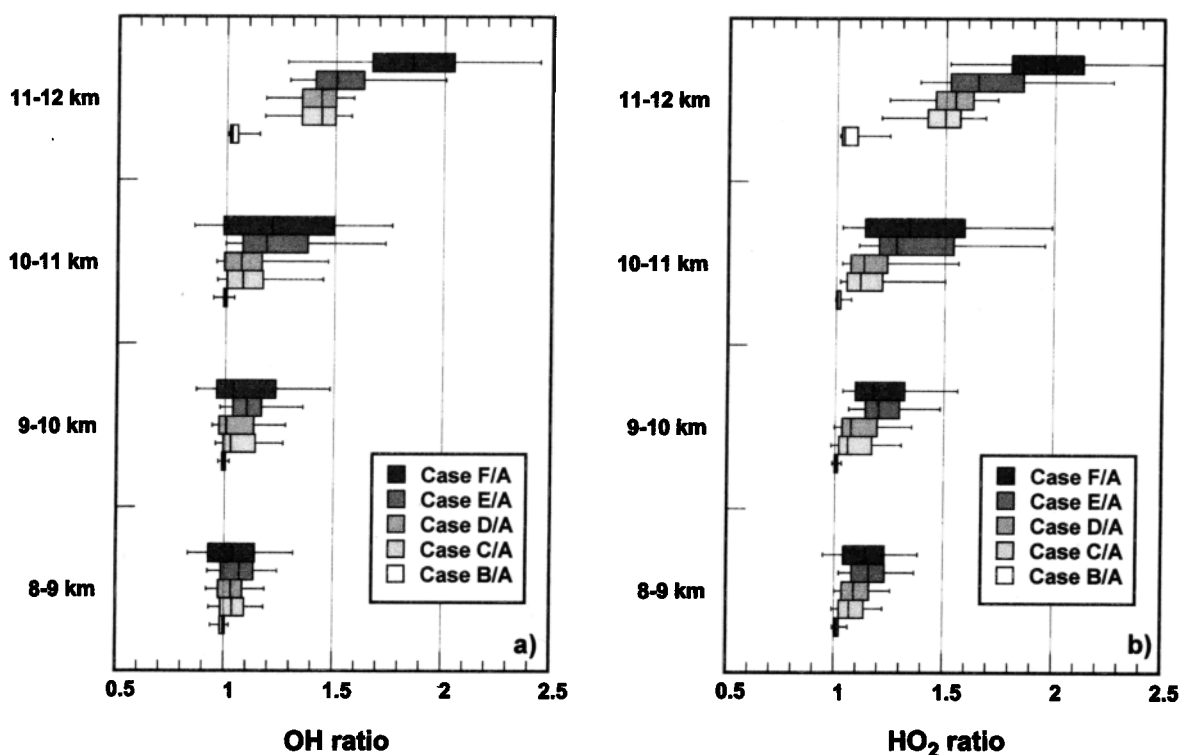


Figure 4. Box-whisker plots of model sensitivity calculations normalized to the “standard” case (case A) for (a) OH and (b) HO₂. See Figure 2 for box-whisker definition.

et al., 1999]. Given its ubiquitous nature and correlation with CO, reasonable mixing ratios can be incorporated into model calculations with little effort. Similarly, methanol and ethanol are added to more completely evaluate the impact from oxygenated hydrocarbons.

Peroxides are considered last due to their transient nature. Since they are short-lived, it is expected that their enhancements in the upper troposphere are limited in space and time by the stochastic nature of convective events. Unlike the other constraining species, peroxides can be estimated from a model based on photochemical equilibrium considerations in the absence of measurements. Constraining the model with peroxides must therefore be viewed as a deviation from photochemical equilibrium as defined by observations. Such an adjustment could take the form of either an increase or decrease in peroxide mixing ratios. To demonstrate this, Figure 3 shows box-whisker plots of measured-to-calculated peroxide ratios for all tropical PEM data. In this case, the calculated values are based on model runs that have been constrained by all measured variables other than the peroxides. Since this evaluation is in the form of a ratio, only those measurement periods where peroxide levels were above the LOD are shown. These results show that H₂O₂ is reasonably well predicted, i.e., the median ratio is near unity. Furthermore, there appears to be no significant trend in the ratio with increasing altitude, the exception being the data at 11–12 km. By contrast, values for the CH₃OOH ratio exhibit a strong altitude trend, especially above 8 km. Potential explanations for these trends in H₂O₂ and CH₃OOH will be explored later in the discussion of results.

5. Results

The modeling results that follow are presented as a series of cases beginning with the “standard” case of basic photochemistry

constrained only by measured values of O₃, CO, NO, and H₂O (case A). Subsequent modeling runs, referred to as cases B–F, represent the sequential addition of NMHCs (case B), acetone (case C), methanol and ethanol (case D), CH₃OOH (case E), and H₂O₂ (Case F). This allows for an examination of the incremental changes in predicted HO_x levels and related parameters as the number of constraint species is progressively increased. For cases A–D, CH₃OOH and H₂O₂ have been calculated to be in photochemical equilibrium. For all LOD peroxide values, these species continue to be calculated based on photochemical equilibrium conditions for cases E and F. The median calculated CH₃OOH and H₂O₂ values for LOD measurements were 30 and 95 pptv, respectively.

Figures 4–6 show how the successive addition of constraints influence calculated levels of HO_x and related photochemical parameters. These changes are represented by the ratio for each case relative to case A. Table 2 gives the overall median and mean change for each species or parameter (i.e., case F/case A). To accompany the discussion of results, Table 3 outlines the most relevant reactions associated with each HO_x source.

5.1. HO_x (OH and HO₂)

Figures 4a and 4b illustrate that increases in HO_x due to changes in model constraints tend to be greatest at higher altitudes. This trend is consistent with the decrease in water vapor with increasing altitude, and thus, a reduction in the contribution from the O(¹D)+H₂O source. Although OH and HO₂ are in rapid photochemical equilibrium, Figures 4a and 4b reveal that their respective responses to changing model constraints are not identical. Table 2 also shows that below 10 km median increases in HO₂ are nearly 3 times greater than those for OH. Only at 11–12 km do changes in OH approach those calculated for HO₂.

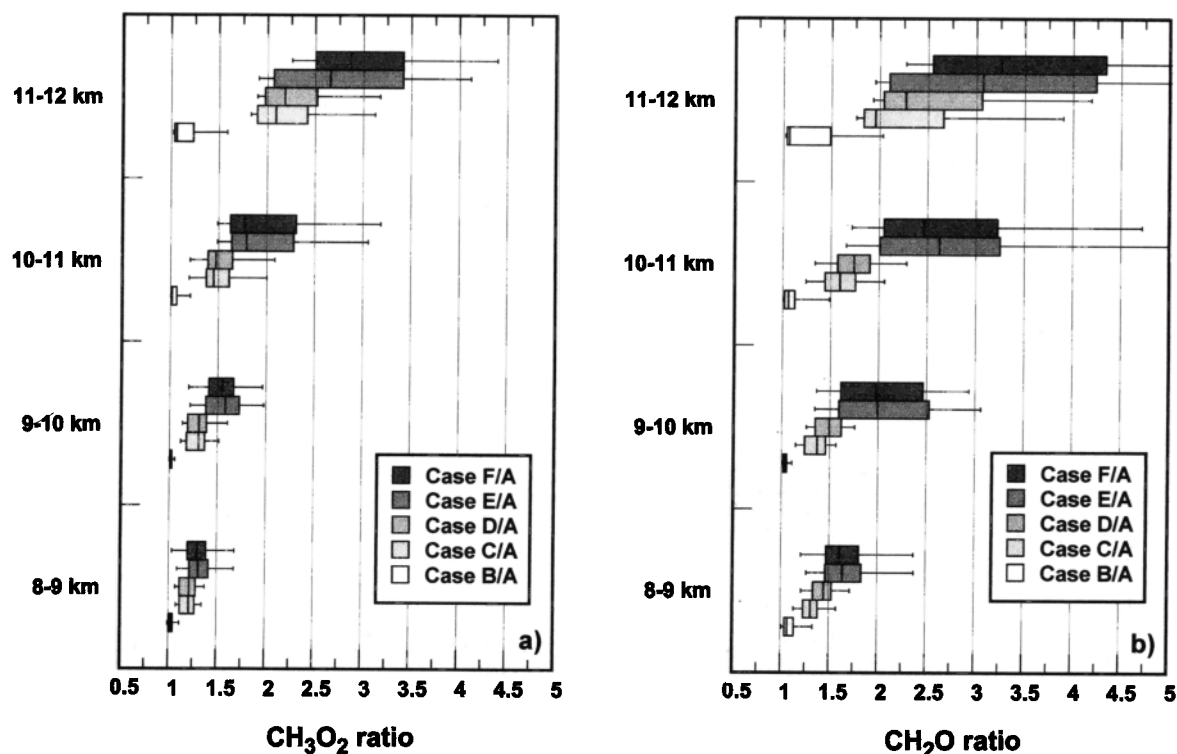


Figure 5. Box-whisker plots of model sensitivity calculations normalized to the “standard” case (case A) for (a) CH₃O₂ and (b) CH₂O. See Figure 2 for box-whisker definition.

The muted response of OH appears to be related to a combination of factors. Most obvious is the additional burden on OH presented by the constraints associated with cases B-F. This is particularly true for NMHCs, methanol, and ethanol which are principally lost through reaction with OH. Acetone and CH₃OOH react with OH as well, but they also have important losses through photolysis. Another factor relates to the potential for HO_x cycling. Unlike O(¹D)+H₂O and H₂O₂+hν which introduce HO_x in the form of OH, the other HO_x sources initially form HO₂. Thus, for those environments where ambient HO_x and NO_x levels are comparable, it becomes more likely that HO₂ will be lost to either self-reaction or reaction with other organic peroxy radicals before being cycled into OH via reaction with NO.

Below 11 km, the largest changes in HO_x levels are associated with acetone and CH₃OOH. NMHCs, methanol, and ethanol appear to exert a minimal influence both on HO₂ and OH. H₂O₂ also shows little impact below 11 km; however, the range of values is broadened. Above 11 km, H₂O₂ has a greater impact than CH₃OOH, and acetone continues to be a strong influence. Since H₂O₂ introduces HO_x in the form of OH, it also helps explain why increases in OH approach those for HO₂ at this altitude.

5.2. CH₃O₂ and CH₂O

CH₃O₂ and CH₂O represent two important intermediate products in the formation of HO_x from the oxidation of NMHCs, acetone, methanol, ethanol, and CH₃OOH. Figures 5a and 5b show that shifts in the ratio for these species are significantly larger than those for OH and HO₂. The larger response for these species is expected since the follow-on chemistry for each does not automatically lead to HO₂ formation. This is particularly true for the radical species CH₃O₂ when the environment is NO_x poor.

Formaldehyde also has alternate degradation pathways that do not produce HO₂ (see Table 3).

The largest shifts in the ratio for CH₃O₂ and CH₂O are associated with acetone and CH₃OOH; however, for CH₂O, methanol and ethanol also make a significant contribution. H₂O₂ has relatively little impact on CH₃O₂ and CH₂O, even at 11-12 km. As was observed for OH and HO₂, the overall changes for both CH₃O₂ and CH₂O increase with altitude. Of the two, CH₂O is clearly the most sensitive species, making it an ideal candidate in testing for the presence of additional HO_x sources.

5.3. Ozone Budget

Impacts on the ozone budget are depicted in Figure 6. Shifts in the ozone budget are coupled directly to changes in HO_x levels. Ozone formation, F(O₃), which is driven by the reaction of NO with peroxy radicals is strongly dependent upon HO₂ and, to a lesser degree, CH₃O₂ and other organic peroxy radicals. This is reflected in Table 2 which shows that median increases in F(O₃) exceed enhancements in HO₂ but are less than those for CH₃O₂. On the other hand, D(O₃) depends only partially on HO₂ and OH; thus, increases in its median value are smaller than those for HO₂. In the upper free troposphere, F(O₃) typically exceeds D(O₃); therefore, the net ozone tendency, P(O₃), tends to be positive and to track F(O₃). Median increases in P(O₃) are similar to, but slightly larger than, those for F(O₃).

6. Discussion

Similar to previous studies, these results clearly demonstrate that model-calculated values of HO_x for the upper troposphere based solely on the H₂O+O(¹D) source will lead to an underestimate of HO_x levels. Furthermore, these underestimates may be even larger for related quantities such as gross and net

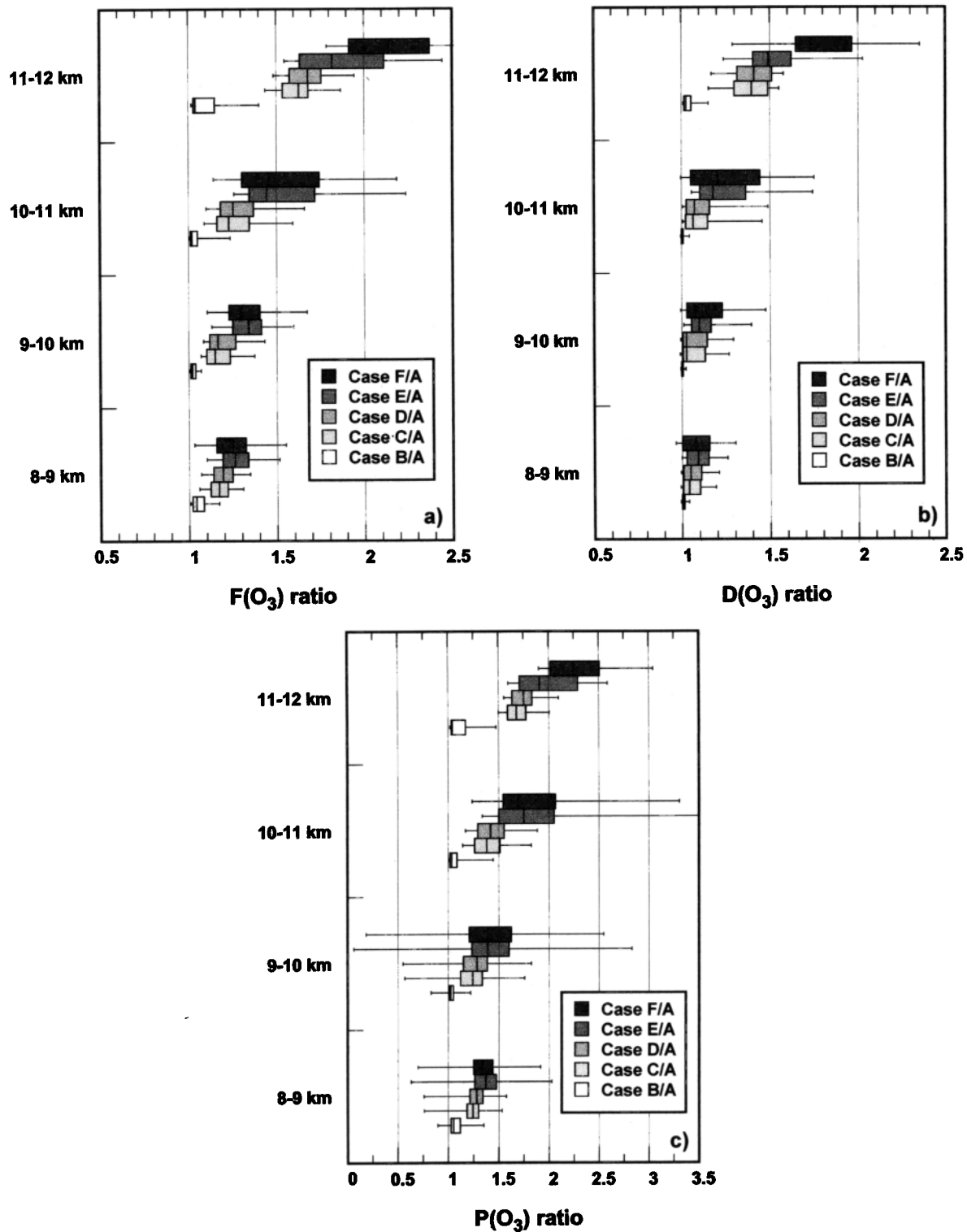


Figure 6. Box-whisker plots of model sensitivity calculations normalized to the "standard" case (case A) for (a) F(O₃), (b) D(O₃), and (c) P(O₃). See Figure 2 for box-whisker definition.

ozone production. Even so, the increases in calculated HO_x for the PEM data, especially increases due to peroxides, appear to be significantly less than what might be expected based on recent HO_x measurements [Wennberg *et al.*, 1998; Brune *et al.*, 1998; Jaeglé *et al.*, 1997, 1998]. Thus, the current model results raise

several key questions: (1) While water vapor alone can sustain most of the calculated HO_x, how well does one need to know the measured water vapor level? (2) If peroxides are influencing upper tropospheric HO_x through convection, why does H₂O₂ rather than CH₃OOH have the greater influence?, and (3) What

Table 2. Overall Changes in Tropical Upper Tropospheric Photochemical Parameters (case F/case A)

	OH	HO ₂	CH ₃ O ₂	CH ₂ O	F(O ₃)	D(O ₃)	P(O ₃)
8-9 km							
Median	1.04	1.14	1.30	1.61	1.25	1.08	1.34
Mean	1.04	1.15	1.31	1.69	1.25	1.09	1.35
9-10 km							
Median	1.04	1.17	1.55	1.98	1.30	1.08	1.39
Mean	1.11	1.22	1.56	2.06	1.33	1.14	1.76
10-11 km							
Median	1.21	1.34	1.77	2.47	1.46	1.20	1.70
Mean	1.25	1.40	2.03	2.85	1.56	1.27	1.85
11-12 km							
Median	1.86	1.95	2.87	3.26	2.14	1.73	2.25
Mean	1.87	1.98	3.12	3.73	2.18	1.78	2.30

other HO_x sources might play a role in upper tropospheric chemistry? Below, we explore each of these questions in the context of the GTE-PEM observations and modeling results.

6.1. Water Vapor

Earlier discussion of water vapor observations from PTA revealed that measurements have a very high uncertainty below 100 ppmv (e.g., factors of 3-5). This conclusion was based on a comparison of cryogenic hygrometer and diode laser observations. The issue of water levels becomes especially important with respect to calculations at altitudes of 11-12 km where sensitivity calculations showed model constraints to have their greatest impact. Additional calculations for the PTA data at 11-12 km were conducted based on diode laser water vapor to examine the impact of this uncertainty.

An initial set of calculations was based on chemistry considering only the diode laser water observations (i.e., case A). Relative to "case A" calculations for the cryogenic hygrometer, OH and HO₂ values were about 30% larger. This represents a small change given that increases in primary production of HO_x were factors of 3 to 5. These results further highlight the earlier point that HO_x tends to be fairly insensitive to changes in primary production at these altitudes. These calculations also make the strong point that relatively small errors in the measurement of HO_x levels can lead to the conclusion that there is a need for a large change in primary production.

Calculations were also carried out based on the diode laser water measurements together with all other model constraints (i.e., case F). Relative to calculations based on the cryogenic

Table 3. Sources of HO_x and Competing Reactions

Sources of HO _x	Competing Reactions
Ozone Photolysis	
O ₃ +hν→O(¹ D)+O ₂	
O(¹ D)+H ₂ O→2OH	O(¹ D)+M→O(³ P)+M
Nonmethane Hydrocarbon Oxidation	
RH+OH→ ^α -RO ₂ +H ₂ O	
RO ₂ +NO→ ^α -RCHO+HO ₂ +NO ₂	RO ₂ +HO ₂ →ROOH+O ₂
RCHO+hν→ ^α -RO ₂ +HO ₂ +CO	RCHO+OH→ ^α -RCO ₃ +H ₂ O
Acetone Photolysis	
CH ₃ C(O)CH ₃ +hν→ ^α -CH ₃ CO ₃ +CH ₃ O ₂	
CH ₃ CO ₃ +NO→ ^α -CH ₃ O ₂ +NO ₂ +CO	CH ₃ CO ₃ +HO ₂ →ROOH+O ₂ /Acetic Acid+O ₃
	CH ₃ CO ₃ +NO ₂ →PAN
CH ₃ O ₂ +NO→ ^α -CH ₂ O+HO ₂ +NO ₂	CH ₃ O ₂ +HO ₂ →CH ₃ OOH
CH ₂ O+hν→ ^α -2HO ₂ +CO	CH ₂ O+hν→CO+H ₂
	CH ₂ O+OH→ ^α -HO ₂ +CO+H ₂ O
Methanol/Ethanol Oxidation ^a	
CH ₃ OH+OH→ ^α -CH ₂ O+HO ₂ +H ₂ O	
C ₂ H ₅ OH+OH→ ^α -CH ₃ CHO+HO ₂ +H ₂ O	
CH ₃ CHO+hν→CH ₃ O ₂ +HO ₂ +CO	CH ₃ CHO+OH→CH ₃ CO ₃ +H ₂ O
CH ₃ OOH Photolysis ^b	
CH ₃ OOH+hν→ ^α -CH ₂ O+HO ₂ +OH	
CH ₃ OOH+OH→CH ₂ O+OH+H ₂ O	CH ₃ OOH+OH→CH ₃ O ₂ +H ₂ O
H ₂ O ₂ Photolysis	
H ₂ O ₂ +hν→2OH	H ₂ O ₂ +OH→HO ₂ +H ₂ O

^asee acetone for subsequent reactions of CH₃CO₃, CH₃O₂, and CH₂O

^bsee acetone for subsequent reactions of CH₃O₂ and CH₂O

hygrometer measurements, OH and HO₂ values increased by only 5% on average. Thus, HO_x levels are indicated to be relatively insensitive to the absolute water level in the upper troposphere (11–12 km), reflecting the dominance of secondary production as well as the fact that water is less important as a primary source than acetone.

6.2. Peroxides

Understanding the role that peroxides play in upper tropospheric photochemistry is complicated by the fact that these species are derived not only from local photochemistry but also from transport. Thus, observations of these species in the upper troposphere must be viewed as the net result from some combination of both sources. Box models can only assess the levels of peroxides expected from local photochemistry. Thus, any impact due to transport (e.g., deep convection) must be inferred through comparisons of measured and calculated peroxide levels. Convective transport of peroxides cannot be realistically identified by only comparing differences in the measured peroxide mixing ratios between two air masses. This is demonstrated by a close examination of the PWB data for the tropical upper troposphere. This data has been used in recent studies to infer convective transport of peroxides [Jaeglé *et al.*, 1997; Folkins *et al.*, 1998]. For example, Jaeglé *et al.* compared PWB peroxides for convected and background air using dimethyl sulfide as a convective tracer. When levels were above 3 pptv, the air mass was assumed to be one which had been strongly influenced by deep convection. Folkins *et al.* made a similar comparison of PWB peroxide levels but based their assessment on NO levels. For air masses with NO below 25 pptv, it was assumed that the air mass had been significantly influenced by recent marine convection. Both approaches led to the conclusion that convection had enhanced both H₂O₂ and CH₃OOH by factors of 2–3 and 5–6, respectively. Not recognized, however, was the difference in water vapor for the two air mass types.

Crawford *et al.*, [1997a] discussed in some detail the tropical PWB data used by Jaeglé *et al.*, and Folkins *et al.*, dividing it into what were labeled “high NO_x” and “low NO_x” regimes. Crawford *et al.* argued that both regimes resulted from recent convection, one of continental origin (high NO_x) and the other of marine origin (low NO_x). Among the important differences cited was the large difference in water vapor between these regimes. The data in Table 4 show that much of the difference in peroxide levels for these two regimes can be explained by differences in the local chemical environment rather than transport of peroxides from the marine boundary layer. The median values for the ratio of measured-to-calculated H₂O₂ for both regimes suggest that the local photochemical environment could easily sustain the observed H₂O₂ mixing ratios without invoking transport (see

Table 4. Median Values for H₂O, NO, H₂O₂, CH₃OOH, H₂O₂(meas/calc), and CH₃OOH(meas/calc) for 8–12 km, 20°N–10°S During PEM-West B

	High NO _x	Low NO _x
H ₂ O, ppmv	178	666
NO, pptv	62.5	6.2
H ₂ O ₂ , pptv	160	480
CH ₃ OOH, pptv	87	481
H ₂ O ₂ (meas/calc)	0.77	0.93
CH ₃ OOH(meas/calc)	1.57	2.16

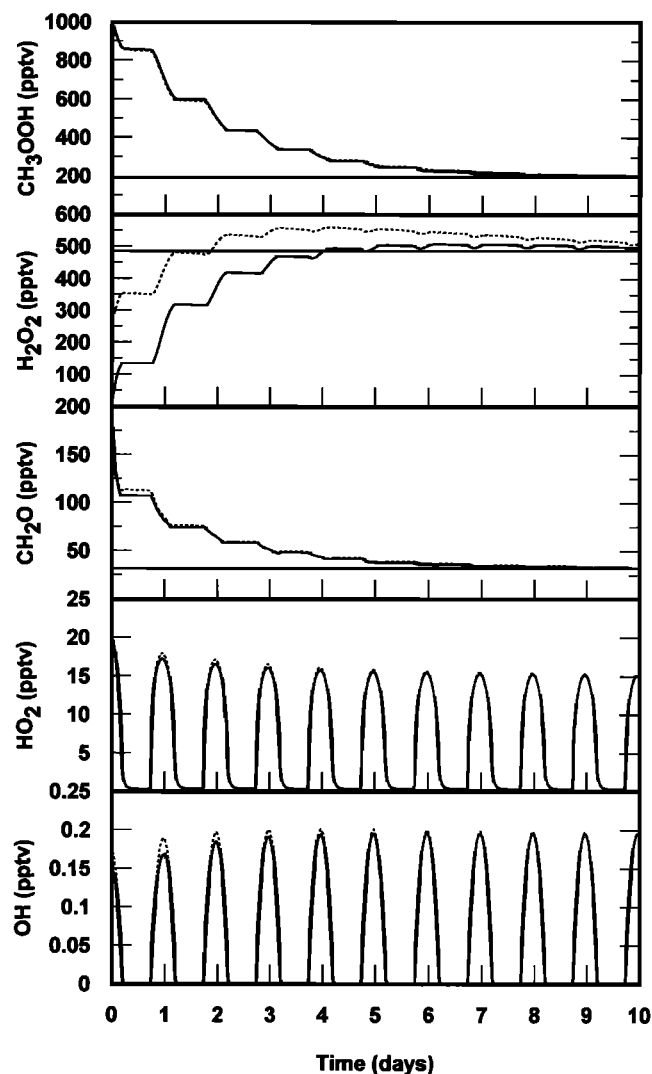


Figure 7. Time evolution of convectively perturbed peroxides and CH₂O for median conditions observed in the low NO_x regime of PEM-West B. Perturbations consist of typical marine boundary layer values for CH₃OOH (1 ppbv) and CH₂O (200 pptv). Solid lines represent the assumption of total scavenging of H₂O₂. Dotted lines assume H₂O₂ to be 75% scavenged (250 pptv). Horizontal lines represent the steady-state solution.

Table 4). The higher H₂O₂ levels in the low NO_x regime appear to be the result of both higher water vapor leading to increased HO_x levels and lower NO leading to less HO_x cycling, and hence, increased formation of H₂O₂. This interpretation of the data would seem to be in better accord with the known high solubility of H₂O₂ and would argue against H₂O₂ being effectively transported to the upper troposphere by deep convection.

By contrast, Table 4 shows that median values for the ratio of measured-to-calculated CH₃OOH are greater than unity for both regimes. This suggests that in the case of CH₃OOH there could be a role for convective transport. The low NO_x regime is shown to have the higher median ratio (i.e., 2.16 vs 1.57); however, this difference in ratios falls far short of explaining the factor of 5 difference in median levels of CH₃OOH which again appear to be largely attributable to differences in local photochemistry.

Although the above cited modeling results point toward the need to critically examine local photochemical trends in the peroxides, it must be noted that model predictions such as those in Table 4 also have shortcomings in that they assume photochemical equilibrium. In reality, it is quite likely that much of the tropical upper troposphere is perturbed with a frequency that precludes reaching a local steady state [Prather and Jacob, 1997]. Thus, evaluating the time evolution of peroxides following a convective event as they move toward photochemical equilibrium values can prove useful. This type of approach has been implemented in studies by Jaeglé *et al.* [1997] and Cohan *et al.* [1999]. Here, simulations are based on median conditions for the PWB low NO_x regime for two cases. In the first, CH₃OOH and CH₂O are assumed to be transported from the marine boundary layer undiluted (e.g., 1 ppbv and 200 pptv, respectively) and H₂O₂ is assumed to be totally scavenged. The second case is different in that H₂O₂ is assumed to be 75% scavenged (e.g., 250 pptv). Results are shown in Figure 7. The time evolution of these species is somewhat artificial in that no dilution due to mixing is assumed, but the results still give some indication of how peroxide levels might evolve due to local photochemistry. In both cases, enhancements in CH₃OOH above steady state decrease from a factor of 5 to a factor of 2 at the end of 2 days. After 3 days, H₂O₂ is slightly above or below its steady-state value depending on the case assumed. CH₂O behaves much as CH₃OOH. HO₂ is initially elevated by 35%. Over the first day, diurnal average HO₂ is elevated by 21% above steady state with the largest enhancement (45%) occurring at sunrise. By the second day, the diurnal average enhancement rapidly diminishes to less than 15%, although a sunrise enhancement of 32% is still present. OH is initially depressed by 20% with a recovery to within 10% of steady state within the first day.

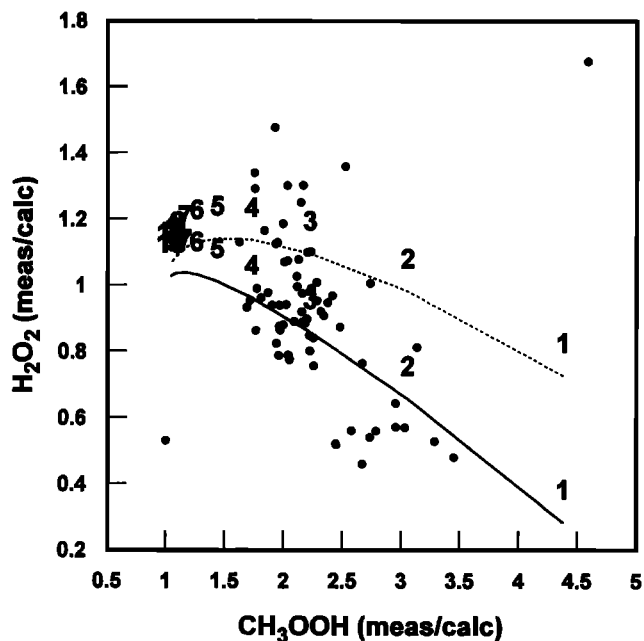


Figure 8. Scatterplot of H₂O₂(meas/calc) versus CH₃OOH(meas/calc) for the low NO_x regime of PEM-West B. Solid and dotted lines represent the deviations from steady state predicted in Figure 7. Numbers along each line represent the number of days from the initial perturbation.

These calculations show how rapidly photochemical equilibrium for peroxides can be reestablished in a high water vapor environment such as the PWB low NO_x regime. It also shows that one might expect recently convected air to exhibit enhanced CH₃OOH accompanied by depleted H₂O₂. Figure 8 examines the peroxide observations for the PWB low NO_x regime in terms of this expectation. While it is not realistic to expect the field data to closely match these simulations, it is interesting to see that when observations of CH₃OOH are elevated above their calculated steady-state values in this data, H₂O₂ observations tend to be depleted below their calculated steady-state values. Thus, there is some consistency in the measured-to-calculated peroxide ratios with the argument that they have been influenced by convection.

Recalling the sensitivity calculations, peroxides were estimated to have their greatest impact on HO_x levels at 11–12 km (~30%). One of the more interesting aspects of these results was finding that at this altitude the largest HO_x increase is related to the constraint of H₂O₂, not CH₃OOH. This was found to be true even though Figure 3 clearly shows that the ratio of measured-to-calculated values for CH₃OOH exhibit the largest increase above 8 km. This is suggestive of fast vertical transport, but it is also possible that this trend may be somewhat overestimated, especially for 11–12 km, owing to the large percentage of the CH₃OOH data at LOD values (i.e., 42%). In this context, the question can be raised whether the enhanced value of the ratio for H₂O₂ at 11–12 km is, in fact, understood. For example, if the observed H₂O₂ enhancement is to be attributed to convection, one could argue that there should be some correspondence with the enhancement in CH₃OOH. Looking specifically at the CH₃OOH observations at 11–12 km that were at or below LOD, it would seem difficult to argue that these CH₃OOH levels were significantly influenced by convection. Yet for this subset of data, the median ratio of measured-to-calculated H₂O₂ remains significantly greater than one (i.e., 3.6). This would seem to suggest that the enhancement in the H₂O₂ ratio at 11–12 km is not due to convection but rather to other factors such as local photochemistry.

Similar to the PWB low NO_x regime, Figure 9 examines the time evolution of convectively perturbed peroxides based on median conditions for all tropical PEM data at 11–12 km. The two perturbation scenarios used here are the same as those used for the PWB low NO_x regime model runs. The most significant difference between these two data sets is the water vapor mixing ratio. The 11–12 km data has a median value of 15 ppmv; whereas, the PWB low NO_x regime has a median of 600 ppmv. As shown in Figure 9, the time evolution profiles based on the 11–12 km data show some significant differences, especially with respect to H₂O₂. Both CH₃OOH and CH₂O decay rapidly over the first 2–3 days, although, CH₃OOH is still significantly above its steady-state value even after 3 days. H₂O₂ in this low H₂O environment is enhanced above the steady-state value by as much as 2–5 times, depending on the scenario. In agreement with the calculations of Jaeglé *et al.* [1997] and Cohan *et al.* [1999], the enhancement in H₂O₂ persists longer than that for CH₃OOH. Large initial enhancements in HO₂ and OH are also observed in these calculations. These enhancements relax to diurnal average values that are about 20% above final steady state after 3 days. These calculations demonstrate two important points: (1) in a low water vapor environment, H₂O₂ and CH₃OOH enhancements due to convection are not simultaneous and (2) enhanced H₂O₂ can continue to influence HO_x well after the perturbation in CH₃OOH levels has dissipated.

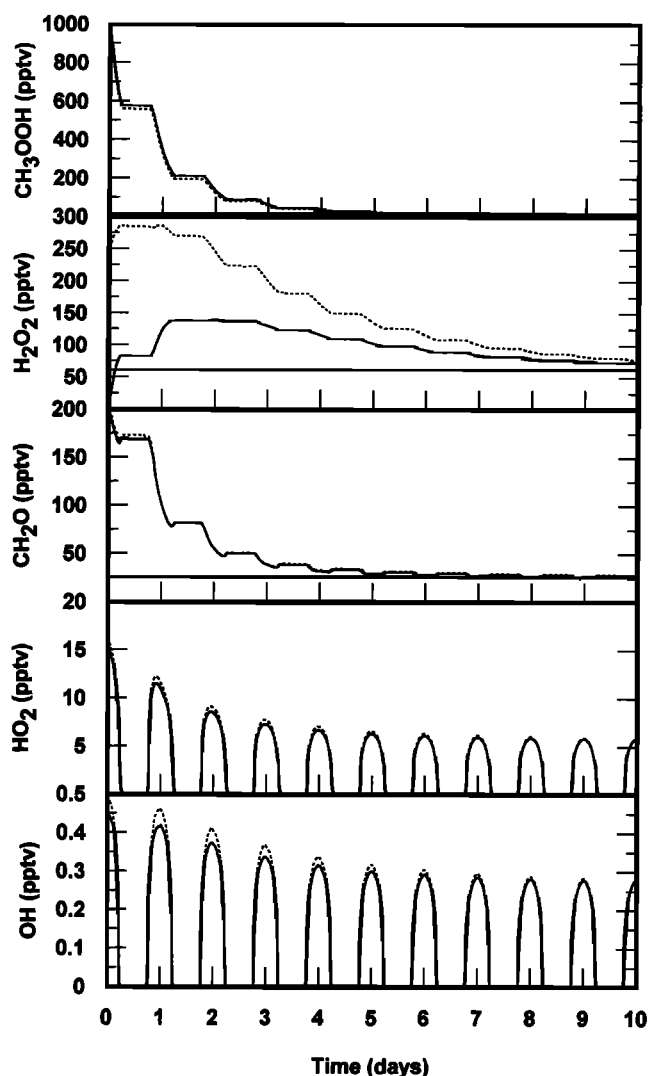


Figure 9. Time evolution of convectively perturbed peroxides and CH₂O for median conditions observed at 11–12 km. Perturbations consist of typical marine boundary layer values for CH₃OOH (1 ppbv) and CH₂O (200 pptv). Solid lines represent the assumption of total scavenging of H₂O₂. Dotted lines assume H₂O₂ to be 75% scavenged (250 pptv). Horizontal lines represent the steady-state solution.

While convection of peroxides is inarguably an important consideration in understanding upper tropospheric HO_x, it is important to recognize that the close relationship between HO_x and H₂O₂ possesses a certain level of ambiguity. Elevated H₂O₂ will lead to elevated HO_x, but the reverse is also true. Is it possible that the elevated H₂O₂ at 11–12 km is simply a reflection of elevated HO_x levels due to a source which is unaccounted for by any of the constraints considered here? Such possibilities are examined below.

6.3. Other Possible HO_x Influences?

During the STRAT campaign, HO₂ observations were found to exceed what might be expected from water vapor and acetone by a factor of 1.5 on average with instances of differences as high as a factor of 5 [Jaeglé *et al.*, 1997]. During SUCCESS, HO_x measurements were sometimes in agreement with predictions,

while at other times they exceeded predictions by factors of 4 [Brune *et al.*, 1998]. In both studies, the possibility that convected peroxides might constitute an important additional source of HO_x was proposed. The results from the PEM data suggest that peroxides could have resulted in increases in HO_x, but even at 11–12 km the increase is typically no more than 30% and never more than a factor of 2. While the median increase of 30% does approach the mean increase of 1.5 cited for the STRAT data, recall that the additional 20% difference requires nontrivial increases in primary HO_x production.

In all likelihood, differences between these campaigns are most likely explained by the fact that conditions observed during the PEM missions were simply different from those encountered during STRAT and SUCCESS. In STRAT, for instance, the ER-2 sampled between altitudes of 8 km and the tropopause (15–17 km), while the DC-8 was limited to a ceiling of 12 km during the PEM missions. It is also noteworthy, however, that discrepancies between measured and calculated HO_x during STRAT were greatest for the lower altitudes (i.e., 10–12 km) with higher water vapor (i.e., 30–80 ppmv), while the drier air masses at higher altitudes appeared to be explainable in terms of water vapor and acetone only [McKeen *et al.*, 1997]. STRAT data highlighted by Jaeglé *et al.* [1997] was also predominantly in the 11–12 km altitude range. Regardless of the similarities and differences between these campaigns, it is worthwhile to explore the possibility that other still unidentified impacts on HO_x may exist.

One possibility for additional HO_x could come from the extension of known NMHC sources to include the presence of more complex, but analogous oxygenated hydrocarbons [S. Liu *et al.*, unpublished manuscript, 1999]. For instance, acetone could be extended to include all ketones. While higher-order ketones are expected to have much less abundance, they also might provide a greater yield of HO_x. The same can be said for organic peroxides, alcohols, and aldehydes. Although measuring all of these species is currently impractical, some indication of the importance of these sources could be gained through measurements of CH₂O. Recall, calculations showed CH₂O to be far more sensitive than either HO_x or CH₃O₂. Thus, measurements of this species in the upper troposphere could prove to be a useful indicator of the integrated impact from NMHC sources.

Another possible HO_x source proposed by Toumi [1993] also demands new attention in light of the recent HO_x observations. Toumi proposed that OH may be produced in the atmosphere by reaction of electronically excited oxygen with hydrogen (i.e., O₂(b¹Σ_g⁻) + H₂ → 2OH). While O₂(b¹Σ_g⁻) is expected to be collisionally quenched, Toumi showed that even if only 1% of the collisions result in a reaction, the resulting primary production of OH would exceed that for O(¹D)+H₂O in the upper troposphere. In Toumi's study the potential importance of this reaction was maximized in the upper troposphere both due to the increasing abundance of O₂(b¹Σ_g⁻) and due to the decreasing amount of water vapor. In a follow-up study by Siskind *et al.* [1993], it was pointed out that after correcting for an overestimate by Toumi for the abundance of O₂(b¹Σ_g⁻), 4% of the collisions were required to be reactive to be equivalent to the original proposal by Toumi. Siskind *et al.* also noted that the resulting impact would increase the diurnal-average OH abundance by up to a factor of 2 at an altitude of 15 km.

Subsequent to these theoretical studies, no laboratory studies were initiated to support or refute the possible importance of this reaction. Recently, however, a laboratory study has been conducted which shows this reaction to have an OH yield of less

Table A1. Chemical Mechanism for the Photochemical Box Model

Reaction	Rate Coefficient	Notes
Basic HO_x-NO_x-CH₄ Reactions		
Gas Phase Reactions		
k ₁ O(¹ D)+N ₂ →O(³ P)	1.8×10 ⁻¹¹ exp(110/T)	a
k ₂ O(¹ D)+O ₂ →O(³ P)	3.2×10 ⁻¹¹ exp(70/T)	a
k ₃ O(¹ D)+H ₂ O→2OH	2.2×10 ⁻¹⁰	a
k ₄ O(¹ D)+CH ₄ →CH ₃ +OH	1.35×10 ⁻¹⁰	a
k ₅ O(¹ D)+CH ₄ →CH ₂ O+H ₂	1.5×10 ⁻¹¹	a
k ₆ O(¹ D)+H ₂ →H+OH	1.1×10 ⁻¹⁰	a
k ₇ OH+CO→CO ₂ +H	1.5×10 ⁻¹³ (1+0.6P _{atm})	a
k ₈ H+O ₂ +M→HO ₂	k ₈ ³⁰⁰ =5.7×10 ⁻³² , n=1.6, k ₈ ³⁰⁰ =7.5×10 ⁻¹¹ , m=0	a,p
k ₉ HO ₂ +NO→NO ₂ +OH	3.5×10 ⁻¹² exp(250/T)	a
k ₁₀ HO ₂ +O ₃ →OH+2O ₂	1.1×10 ⁻¹⁴ exp(-500/T)	a
k ₁₁ HO ₂ +HO ₂ →H ₂ O ₂	[2.3×10 ⁻¹³ exp(600/T)+1.7×10 ⁻³³ [M]exp(1000/T)] *[1+1.4×10 ⁻²¹ [H ₂ O]exp(2200/T)]	a
k ₁₂ OH+HO ₂ →H ₂ O+O ₂	4.8×10 ⁻¹¹ exp(250/T)	a
k ₁₃ HO ₂ +NO ₂ +M→HO ₂ NO ₂	k ₁₃ ³⁰⁰ =1.8×10 ⁻³¹ , n=3.2, k ₁₃ ³⁰⁰ =4.7×10 ⁻¹² , m=1.4	a,p
k ₁₄ HO ₂ NO ₂ +M→HO ₂ +NO ₂	k ₁₄ /(2.1×10 ⁻²⁷ exp(10900/T))	a
k ₁₅ HO ₂ +NO ₃ →OH+NO ₂ +O ₂	3.5×10 ⁻¹²	a
k ₁₆ H ₂ O ₂ +OH→HO ₂ +H ₂ O	2.9×10 ⁻¹² exp(-160/T)	a
k ₁₇ CH ₄ +OH→CH ₃ +H ₂ O	2.8×10 ⁻¹⁴ exp(-1575/T)*T ^{0.667}	a
k ₁₈ CH ₃ +O ₂ +M→CH ₃ O ₂	k ₁₈ ³⁰⁰ =4.5×10 ⁻³¹ , n=3, k ₁₈ ³⁰⁰ =1.8×10 ⁻¹² , m=1.7	a,p
k ₁₉ CH ₃ O ₂ +NO→CH ₃ O+NO ₂	3.0×10 ⁻¹² exp(280/T)	a
k ₂₀ CH ₃ O ₂ +HO ₂ →CH ₃ OOH+O ₂	3.8×10 ⁻¹³ exp(800/T)	a
k ₂₁ CH ₃ O ₂ +CH ₃ O ₂ →2CH ₃ O+O ₂	0.4*2.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(190/T)	a
k ₂₂ CH ₃ O ₂ +CH ₃ O ₂ →CH ₂ O+CH ₃ OH	0.6*2.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(190/T)	a
k ₂₃ CH ₃ O ₂ +NO ₂ +M→CH ₃ O ₂ NO ₂	k ₂₃ ³⁰⁰ =1.5×10 ⁻³⁰ , n=4, k ₂₃ ³⁰⁰ =6.5×10 ⁻¹² , m=2	a,p
k ₂₄ CH ₃ O ₂ NO ₂ +M→CH ₃ O ₂ +NO ₂	k ₂₄ /(1.3×10 ⁻²⁸ exp(11200/T))	a
k ₂₅ CH ₃ OOH+OH→CH ₃ O ₂ +H ₂ O	0.7*3.8×10 ⁻¹² exp(200/T)	a
k ₂₆ CH ₃ OOH+OH→CH ₂ O+OH+H ₂ O	0.3*3.8×10 ⁻¹² exp(200/T)	a
k ₂₇ CH ₂ O+OH→CHO+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	a
k ₂₈ CH ₂ O+NO ₃ →HNO ₃ +CHO	5.8×10 ⁻¹⁶	a
k ₂₉ CH ₃ O+O ₂ →CH ₂ O+HO ₂	3.9×10 ⁻¹⁴ exp(-900/T)	a
k ₃₀ CHO+O ₂ →HO ₂ +CO	3.5×10 ⁻¹² exp(140/T)	a
k ₃₁ OH+CH ₃ OH→CH ₂ OH+H ₂ O	6.7×10 ⁻¹² exp(-600/T)	a
k ₃₂ CH ₂ OH+O ₂ →CH ₂ O+HO ₂	9.1×10 ⁻¹²	a
k ₃₃ OH+H ₂ →H ₂ O+H	5.5×10 ⁻¹² exp(-2000/T)	a
k ₃₄ O ₃ +OH→HO ₂ +O ₂	1.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(-940/T)	a
k ₃₅ O ₃ +NO→NO ₂ +O ₂	2.0×10 ⁻¹² exp(-1400/T)	a
k ₃₆ O ₃ +NO ₂ →NO ₃ +O ₂	1.2×10 ⁻¹³ exp(-2450/T)	a
k ₃₇ OH+NO→M→HONO	k ₃₇ ³⁰⁰ =7.0×10 ⁻³¹ , n=2.6, k ₃₇ ³⁰⁰ =3.6×10 ⁻¹¹ , m=0.1	a,p
k ₃₈ OH+NO ₂ +M→HNO ₃	k ₃₈ ³⁰⁰ =2.5×10 ⁻³⁰ , n=4.4, k ₃₈ ³⁰⁰ =1.6×10 ⁻¹¹ , m=1.7	a,p
k ₃₉ OH+NO ₃ →HO ₂ +NO ₂	2.2×10 ⁻¹¹	a
k ₄₀ OH+HNO ₃ →H ₂ O+NO ₃	see note q	a
k ₄₁ OH+HONO→NO ₂ +H ₂ O	1.8×10 ⁻¹¹ exp(-390/T)	a
k ₄₂ OH+HO ₂ NO ₂ →NO ₂ +H ₂ O+O ₂	1.3×10 ⁻¹² exp(380/T)	a
k ₄₃ NO ₃ +M→NO+O ₂	2.5×10 ⁶ exp(-6100/T)	g
k ₄₄ NO+NO ₃ →2NO ₂	1.5×10 ⁻¹¹ exp(170/T)	a
k ₄₅ NO ₃ +CO→NO ₂ +CO ₂	4.0×10 ⁻¹⁹	a
k ₄₆ NO ₂ +NO ₃ +M→N ₂ O ₅	k ₄₆ ³⁰⁰ =2.2×10 ⁻³⁰ , n=3.9, k ₄₆ ³⁰⁰ =1.5×10 ⁻¹² , m=0.7	a,p
k ₄₇ N ₂ O ₅ +M→NO ₂ +NO ₃	k ₄₇ /(2.7×10 ⁻²⁷ exp(11000/T))	a
k ₄₈ N ₂ O ₅ +H ₂ O→2HNO ₃	2.0×10 ⁻²¹	a
Rainout/Washout and Deposition		
R ₁ H ₂ O ₂ , CH ₃ OOH, CH ₂ O, CH ₃ OH, HNO ₃ , HONO, HO ₂ NO ₂ →Rainout/Washout	0-4 km, 2.31×10 ⁻⁶ > 4 km (z in km), 2.31×10 ⁻⁶ exp(1.6-0.4z)	h
D ₁ H ₂ O ₂ , CH ₂ O, CH ₃ OH, HNO ₃ , HONO, HO ₂ NO ₂ →Surface Deposition	0-1 km, 1.0×10 ⁻⁵ ; > 1 km, 0.0	i
D ₂ CH ₃ OOH→Surface Deposition	0-1 km, 3.0×10 ⁻⁶ ; > 1 km, 0.0	i
A ₁ NO ₃ , N ₂ O ₅ →Aerosol	γ=0.1	j
Photolytic Reactions		
J ₁ O ₃ +hν→O(¹ D)	4.3×10 ⁻⁵	a,k,o
J ₂ H ₂ O ₂ +hν→2OH	7.4×10 ⁻⁶	a,o
J ₃ CH ₃ OOH+hν→CH ₃ O+OH	5.4×10 ⁻⁶	a,o
J ₄ CH ₂ O+hν→CHO+H	2.9×10 ⁻⁵	a,o
J ₅ CH ₂ O+hν→CO+H ₂	4.8×10 ⁻⁵	a,o
J ₆ NO ₂ +hν→NO+O	9.0×10 ⁻³	a,o
J ₇ NO ₃ +hν→NO ₂ +O	3.3×10 ⁻¹	b,o

Table A1. (continued)

Reaction	Rate Coefficient	Notes
J ₈ N ₂ O ₅ +hν→NO ₂ +NO ₃	5.0×10 ⁻⁵	a,o
J ₉ HNO ₃ +hν→OH+NO ₂	7.5×10 ⁻⁷	a,o
J ₁₀ HO ₂ NO ₂ +hν→HO ₂ +NO ₂	3.1×10 ⁻⁶	a,o
J ₁₁ HO ₂ NO ₂ +hν→OH+NO ₂	1.5×10 ⁻⁶	a,o
J ₁₂ HONO+hν→OH+NO	1.9×10 ⁻³	a,o
Nonmethane Hydrocarbon Reactions		
Ketones		
kK ₁ CH ₃ COCH ₃ +OH→CH ₃ COCH ₂ O ₂ +H ₂ O	2.2×10 ⁻¹² exp(-685/T)	b
kK ₂ MEK+OH→KO ₂ +H ₂ O	1.8×10 ⁻¹¹ exp(-890/T)	d
kK ₃ CH ₃ COCH ₃ +hν→CH ₃ CO ₃ +CH ₃ O ₂	6.9×10 ⁻⁷	l,o
kK ₄ MEK+hν→CH ₃ CO ₃ +C ₂ H ₅ O ₂	3.6×10 ⁻⁴ J(NO ₂)	d
kK ₅ MEK+NO ₃ →KO ₂ +HNO ₃	7.0×10 ⁻¹⁶	c
kK ₆ CH ₃ COCH ₂ O ₂ +NO→0.04RAN ₂ +0.96(NO ₂ +MGLY+HO ₂)	2.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(365/T)	e
kK ₇ KO ₂ +NO→0.07RAN ₂ +0.93(NO ₂ +ALD ₂ +CH ₃ CO ₃)	2.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(365/T)	e
kK ₈ CH ₃ COCH ₂ O ₂ +HO ₂ →CH ₃ CO ₃ +CH ₃ O ₂ +H ₂ O	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	f
kK ₉ KO ₂ +HO ₂ →MGLY+CH ₃ O ₂ +H ₂ O	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	f
Alkanes		
kA ₁ C ₂ H ₆ +OH→C ₂ H ₅ O ₂ +H ₂ O	8.7×10 ⁻¹² exp(-1070/T)	a
kA ₂ C ₂ H ₅ O ₂ +NO→ALD ₂ +HO ₂ +NO ₂	2.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(365/T)	a
kA ₃ C ₂ H ₅ O ₂ +HO ₂ →C ₂ H ₅ OOH+O ₂	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	a
kA ₄ C ₂ H ₅ O ₂ +C ₂ H ₅ O ₂ →1.6ALD ₂ +1.2HO ₂	6.8×10 ⁻¹⁴	a
kA ₅ C ₃ H ₈ +OH→n-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +H ₂ O	6.3×10 ⁻¹² exp(-1050/T)	a
kA ₆ C ₃ H ₈ +OH→i-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +H ₂ O	6.3×10 ⁻¹² exp(-580/T)	a
kA ₇ n-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +NO→ALD ₂ +NO ₂ +HO ₂	8.7×10 ⁻¹²	b
kA ₈ i-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +NO→CH ₃ COCH ₃ +NO ₂ +HO ₂	8.5×10 ⁻¹²	b
kA ₉ n-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +HO ₂ →n-C ₃ H ₇ OOH+O ₂	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	f
kA ₁₀ i-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +HO ₂ →i-C ₃ H ₇ OOH+O ₂	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	f
kA ₁₁ n-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +n-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ →1.5ALD ₂ +0.5n-C ₃ H ₇ OH+HO ₂	3.0×10 ⁻¹³	b
kA ₁₂ i-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +i-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ →1.5CH ₃ COCH ₃ +0.5i-C ₃ H ₇ OH+HO ₂	1.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(-2200/T)	b
kA ₁₃ ALKA+OH→RAO ₂ +H ₂ O	2.0×10 ⁻¹¹ exp(-500/T)	c
kA ₁₄ ALKA+NO ₃ →RAO ₂ +HNO ₃	4.0×10 ⁻¹⁷	c
kA ₁₅ RAO ₂ +NO→β ₁ NO ₂ +β ₂ NO+β ₃ RAN ₂ +β ₄ ALD ₂ +β ₅ MEK+β ₆ C ₂ H ₅ O ₂ +β ₇ CH ₃ O ₂ +β ₈ HO ₂ +β ₉ C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +0.06RAO ₂	2.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(365/T)	e, B
kA ₁₆ RAO ₂ +HO ₂ →RAP+O ₂	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	f
kA ₁₇ RAN ₂ +OH→RAN+H ₂ O	2.0×10 ⁻¹²	c
kA ₁₈ RAN ₁ +NO→NO ₂ +HCHO+RANO ₂	2.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(365/T)	e
kA ₁₉ RAN ₁ /RANO ₂ +HO ₂ →RANP/RANP ₂	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	f
kA ₂₀ RANO ₂ +NO→2NO ₂ +2ALD ₂	2.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(365/T)	e
Alkenes		
kE ₁ C ₂ H ₄ +OH→HOC ₂ H ₃ O ₂	k ₀ ³⁰⁰ =1.0×10 ⁻²⁸ , n=0.8 k _∞ ³⁰⁰ =8.8×10 ⁻¹² , m=0	a,p
kE ₂ C ₂ H ₄ +O ₃ →HCHO+0.4CHO ₂ +0.12HO ₂ +0.42CO+0.06CH ₄	1.2×10 ⁻¹⁴ exp(-2633/T)	c
kE ₃ HOC ₂ H ₃ O ₂ +NO→NO ₂ +2HCHO+HO ₂	2.6×10 ⁻¹³ exp(365/T)	e
kE ₄ HOC ₂ H ₃ O ₂ +HO ₂ →HOC ₂ H ₃ OOH+O ₂	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	f
kE ₅ HOC ₂ H ₃ O ₂ +HOC ₂ H ₃ O ₂ →2.4HCHO+1.2HO ₂ +0.4ALD ₂	5.0×10 ⁻¹⁴	c
kE ₆ ALKE+OH→PO ₂	4.1×10 ⁻¹² exp(537/T)	c
kE ₇ ALKE+O ₃ →0.525HCHO+0.5ALD ₂ +0.2(CHO ₂ +CRO ₂)+0.23HO ₂ +0.215CH ₃ O ₂ +0.095OH+0.33CO	7.8×10 ⁻¹⁴ exp(-2105/T)	c
kE ₈ ALKE+NO ₃ →PRN ₁	1.26×10 ⁻¹³	c
kE ₉ PO ₂ +NO→NO ₂ +ALD ₂ +HCHO+HO ₂	2.6×10 ⁻¹³ exp(365/T)	e
kE ₁₀ PO ₂ +HO ₂ →PP+O ₂	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	f
kE ₁₁ PO ₂ +PO ₂ →2.2ALD ₂ +1.2HO ₂	5.0×10 ⁻¹⁴	c
kE ₁₂ PRN ₁ +NO ₂ →PRN ₂	6.8×10 ⁻¹²	c
kE ₁₃ PRN ₁ +HO ₂ →PRPN+O ₂	7.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(700/T)	f
kE ₁₄ PRN ₁ +NO→2NO ₂ +HCHO+ALD ₂	2.6×10 ⁻¹³ exp(365/T)	e
kE ₁₅ CHO ₂ +NO→HCHO+NO ₂	7.0×10 ⁻¹²	c
kE ₁₆ CHO ₂ +NO ₂ →HCHO+NO ₃	7.0×10 ⁻¹³	c
kE ₁₇ CHO ₂ +H ₂ O→HCOOH	4.0×10 ⁻¹⁸	c
kE ₁₈ CHO ₂ +SO ₂ →HCHO+SO ₄	7.0×10 ⁻¹⁴	c
kE ₁₉ CHO ₂ +HCHO→OZID	1.36×10 ⁻¹⁴	c
kE ₂₀ CHO ₂ +ALD ₂ →OZID	1.36×10 ⁻¹⁴	c
kE ₂₁ CRO ₂ +NO→ALD ₂ +NO ₂	7.0×10 ⁻¹²	c
kE ₂₂ CRO ₂ +NO ₂ →ALD ₂ +NO ₃	7.0×10 ⁻¹³	c
kE ₂₃ CRO ₂ +H ₂ O→CH ₃ COOH	4.0×10 ⁻¹⁸	c
kE ₂₄ CRO ₂ +SO ₂ →ALD ₂ +SO ₄	7.0×10 ⁻¹⁴	c
kE ₂₅ CRO ₂ +HCHO→OZID	1.36×10 ⁻¹⁴	c
kE ₂₆ CRO ₂ +ALD ₂ →OZID	1.36×10 ⁻¹⁴	c

Table A1. (continued)

Reaction	Rate Coefficient	Notes
Isoprene		
kI ₁ ISOP+OH→RIO ₂	$4.0 \times 10^{-10} \exp(-410/T)$	m
kI ₂ ISOP+O ₃ →0.5HCHO+0.2MVK+0.3MACR+0.2CHO ₂ + 0.06HO ₂ +0.2MVKO+0.3MAOO	$7.0 \times 10^{-15} \exp(-1900/T)$	d
kI ₃ ISOP+NO ₃ →INO ₂	3.23×10^{-13}	d
kI ₄ RIO ₂ +NO→0.9(NO ₂ +HO ₂ +HCHO)+0.45(MVK+MACR)	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(365/T)$	e
kI ₅ RIO ₂ +HO ₂ →XAP ₁ +O ₂	$7.5 \times 10^{-13} \exp(700/T)$	f
kI ₆ INO ₂ +NO→2NO ₂ +HCHO+0.5(MVK+MACR)	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(365/T)$	e
kI ₇ INO ₂ +NO ₂ →IPN ₄	0.1kP ₆	d
kI ₈ INO ₂ +HO ₂ →PROD	$7.5 \times 10^{-13} \exp(700/T)$	f
kI ₉ MVK+OH→VRO ₂	0.2 kP ₁	d
kI ₁₀ MVK+O ₃ →0.5(MGGY+HCHO)+0.2(CHO ₂ +CRO ₂)+ 0.21HO ₂ +0.15ALD ₂ +0.15CH ₃ CO ₃	$4.0 \times 10^{-15} \exp(-2000/T)$	d
kI ₁₁ MVK+NO ₃ →MVN ₂	6.0×10^{-14}	d
kI ₁₂ VRO ₂ +NO→0.9NO ₂ +0.6(CH ₃ CO ₃ +ALD ₂)+ 0.3(HO ₂ +HCHO+MGLY)	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(365/T)$	e
kI ₁₃ VRO ₂ +HO ₂ →RP+O ₂	$7.5 \times 10^{-13} \exp(700/T)$	f
kI ₁₄ MVN ₂ +NO→2NO ₂ +HCHO+0.5(CH ₃ CO ₃ +MGGY+HO ₂)	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(365/T)$	e
kI ₁₅ MVN ₂ +HO ₂ →PROD	$7.5 \times 10^{-13} \exp(700/T)$	f
kI ₁₆ MACR+OH→MAO ₃	1.02×10^{-11}	d
kI ₁₇ MACR+OH→MRO ₂	$3.86 \times 10^{-12} \exp(500/T)$	d
kI ₁₈ MACR+O ₃ →0.65HCHO+0.5MGGY+0.36HO ₂ + 0.2(CHO ₂ +CRO ₂)+0.15(NO ₂ -NO)	$4.4 \times 10^{-15} \exp(-2500/T)$	d
kI ₁₉ MACR+NO ₃ →MAO ₃ +HNO ₃	3.3×10^{-15}	d
kI ₂₀ MACR+NO ₃ →MAN ₂	6.7×10^{-15}	d
kI ₂₁ MAO ₃ +NO ₂ →MPAN	4.7×10^{-12}	d
kI ₂₂ MPAN→MAO ₃ +NO ₂	$1.95 \times 10^{16} \exp(-13543/T)$	d
kI ₂₃ MAO ₃ +NO→NO ₂ +PO ₂ +CO ₂	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(365/T)$	e, n
kI ₂₄ MAO ₃ +HO ₂ →DAP+O ₂	$7.5 \times 10^{-13} \exp(700/T)$	f
kI ₂₅ MRO ₂ +NO→0.9(NO ₂ +HO ₂ +CO+HACO)	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(365/T)$	e, n
kI ₂₆ MRO ₂ +HO ₂ →XAP ₂ +O ₂	$7.5 \times 10^{-13} \exp(700/T)$	f
kI ₂₇ MAN ₂ +NO→2NO ₂ +HCHO+MGGY	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(365/T)$	e
kI ₂₈ MAN ₂ +HO ₂ →PROD	$7.5 \times 10^{-13} \exp(700/T)$	f
kI ₂₉ MVKO+NO→MVK+NO ₂	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(365/T)$	e
kI ₃₀ MVKO+NO ₂ →MVK+NO ₃	0.1kP ₂₉	d
kI ₃₁ MVKO+H ₂ O→PROD	3.4×10^{-18}	d
kI ₃₂ MVKO+HO ₂ →PROD	$7.5 \times 10^{-13} \exp(700/T)$	f
kI ₃₃ MVKO+SO ₂ →MVK+SO ₄	7.0×10^{-14}	d
kI ₃₄ MAOO+NO→MACR+NO ₂	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(365/T)$	e
kI ₃₅ MAOO+NO ₂ →MACR+NO ₃	0.1kP ₃₄	d
kI ₃₆ MAOO+H ₂ O→PROD	3.4×10^{-18}	d
kI ₃₇ MAOO+HO ₂ →PROD	$7.5 \times 10^{-13} \exp(700/T)$	f
kI ₃₈ MAOO+SO ₂ →MACR+SO ₄	7.0×10^{-14}	d
kI ₃₉ MGGY+hv→CH ₃ CO ₃ +HO ₂	0.15 J(NO ₂)	d
kI ₄₀ MGGY+OH→CH ₃ CO ₃	1.7×10^{-11}	d
Aromatics		
kM ₁ C ₆ H ₆ +OH→C ₆ H ₆ (OH)OO	1.2×10^{-12}	d
kM ₂ C ₆ H ₆ (OH)OO+NO→NO ₂ +HO ₂ +GLYX+DIAL	$2.6 \times 10^{-13} \exp(365/T)$	e
kM ₃ AROM+OH→0.84TO ₂ +0.16CRES+0.16HO ₂	1.52×10^{-11}	c
kM ₄ TO ₂ +NO→NO ₂ +HO ₂ +0.72MGLY+0.18GLYX+DIAL	$2.6 \times 10^{-13} \exp(365/T)$	e
kM ₅ TO ₂ +HO ₂ →TP+O ₂	4.0×10^{-12}	c
kM ₆ CRES+OH→β ₁₂ HO ₂ +0.9(ZO ₂ +TCO ₃ -OH)+β ₁₃ NO ₂	4.25×10^{-11}	c, β
kM ₇ CRES+NO ₃ →HNO ₃ +β ₁₀ NO ₂ +β ₁₁ OH	1.0×10^{-11}	c, β
kM ₈ MGLY+hv→CH ₃ CO ₃ +HO ₂ +CO	0.019 J(NO ₂)	c
kM ₉ MGLY+OH→CH ₃ CO ₃ +H ₂ O+CO	1.73×10^{-11}	c
kM ₁₀ GLYX+hv→PROD	0.008 J(NO ₂)	c
kM ₁₁ GLYX+OH→HO ₂ +2CO+H ₂ O	1.15×10^{-11}	c
kM ₁₂ DIAL+hv→0.98HO ₂ +0.02CH ₃ CO ₃ +TCO ₃	0.01 J(NO ₂)	c
kM ₁₃ DIAL+OH→TCO ₃ +H ₂ O	2.8×10^{-11}	c
kM ₁₄ ZO ₂ +NO→NO ₂	$2.6 \times 10^{-13} \exp(365/T)$	e
kM ₁₅ ZO ₂ +HO ₂ →ZP+O ₂	1.0×10^{-12}	c
kM ₁₆ TCO ₃ +NO→NO ₂ +0.92HO ₂ +0.89GLYX+0.11MGLY+ 0.05CH ₃ CO ₃ +0.95CO+0.79CO ₂ +2ZO ₂	$2.6 \times 10^{-13} \exp(365/T)$	e
kM ₁₇ TCO ₃ +HO ₂ →TCP+O ₂	4.0×10^{-12}	c
kM ₁₈ TCO ₃ +NO ₂ →TPAN	4.7×10^{-12}	c
kM ₁₉ TPAN→TCO ₃ +NO ₂	$1.95 \times 10^{16} \exp(-13543/T)$	c

Table A1. (continued)

Reaction	Rate Coefficient	Notes
Aldehydes		
kD ₁ ALD ₂ +OH→CH ₃ CO ₃ +H ₂ O	5.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(270/T)	a
kD ₂ ALD ₂ +NO ₃ →CH ₃ CO ₃ +HNO ₃	1.4×10 ⁻¹² exp(-1900/T)	a
kD ₃ ALD ₂ +hν→CH ₃ O ₂ +HO ₂ +CO	5.6×10 ⁻⁶	b,o
kD ₄ ALD ₂ +hν→CH ₄ +CO	6.0×10 ⁻¹¹	b,o
kD ₅ CH ₃ CO ₃ +NO→CH ₃ O ₂ +NO ₂ +CO ₂	5.3×10 ⁻¹² exp(360/T)	a
kD ₆ CH ₃ CO ₃ +HO ₂ →0.33(CH ₃ C(O)OOH+O ₂)+0.67(CH ₃ COOH+O ₃)	4.5×10 ⁻¹³ exp(1000/T)	a
kD ₇ CH ₃ CO ₃ +NO ₂ →PAN	k _o ³⁰⁰ =9.7×10 ⁻²⁹ , n=5.6, k _o ³⁰⁰ =9.3×10 ⁻¹² , m=1.5	a,p
kD ₈ PAN→CH ₃ CO ₃ +NO ₂	kD ₇ /(9.0×10 ⁻²⁹ exp(14000/T))	a
kD ₉ CH ₃ CO ₃ +CH ₃ O ₂ →CH ₃ C(O)OH+CH ₂ O+O ₂	1.3×10 ⁻¹² exp(640/T)(1+2.2×10 ⁶ exp(-3820/T))	a
kD ₁₀ CH ₃ CO ₃ +CH ₃ O ₂ →CH ₃ O ₂ +CH ₂ O+HO ₂ +CO ₂	1.3×10 ⁻¹² exp(640/T)(1+1/(2.2×10 ⁶ exp(-3820/T)))	a
kD ₁₁ PAN+OH→0.5 NO ₃ +products	4.0×10 ⁻¹⁴	a
kD ₁₂ PAN+hν→CH ₃ CO ₃ +NO ₂	8.6×10 ⁻⁷	a
Organic Acids and Alcohols		
kC ₁ HCOOH+OH→HO ₂ +CO ₂ +H ₂ O	4.0×10 ⁻¹³	a
kC ₂ CH ₃ COOH+OH→CH ₃ O ₂ +CO ₂ +H ₂ O	4.0×10 ⁻¹³ exp(200/T)	a
kC ₃ C ₂ H ₅ OH+OH→ALD ₂ +HO ₂ +H ₂ O	7.0×10 ⁻¹² exp(-235/T)	a
kC ₄ HCOOH,CH ₃ COOH,C ₂ H ₅ OH→Rainout/Washout	0–4 km, 2.31×10 ⁻⁶ > 4 km (z in km), 2.31×10 ⁻⁶ exp(1.6–0.4z)	h
Organic Peroxide Loss and Recycling		
kP ₁ C ₂ H ₅ OOH+OH→0.5(C ₂ H ₅ O ₂ +ALD ₂ +OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₂ C ₂ H ₅ OOH+hν→OH+HO ₂ +ALD ₂	5.0×10 ⁻⁴ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₃ (n/i)C ₃ H ₇ OOH+OH→0.5(n/i-C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ +ALD ₂ +OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₄ (n/i)C ₃ H ₇ OOH+hν→OH+HO ₂ +ALD ₂	5.0×10 ⁻⁴ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₅ RAP+OH→0.5(RAO ₂ +ALD ₂ +OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₆ RAP+hν→OH+HO ₂ +ALD ₂	5.0×10 ⁻⁴ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₇ CH ₃ C(O)OOH+OH→0.5(CH ₃ CO ₃ +HCHO+OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₈ CH ₃ C(O)OOH+hν→OH+HO ₂ +HCHO	5.0×10 ⁻⁴ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₉ HOC ₂ H ₃ OOH+OH→0.5(HOC ₂ H ₃ O ₂ +2HCHO+OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₁₀ HOC ₂ H ₃ OOH+hν→OH+HO ₂ +2HCHO	5.0×10 ⁻⁴ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₁₁ PP+OH→0.5(PO ₂ +ALD ₂ +OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₁₂ PP+hν→OH+HO ₂ +ALD ₂	5.0×10 ⁻⁴ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₁₃ TP+OH→TO ₂ +H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₁₄ TCP+OH→TCO ₃ +H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₁₅ ZP+OH→ZO ₂ +H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₁₆ XAP ₁ +OH→0.5(RIO ₂ +ALD ₂ +OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₁₇ XAP ₁ +hν→OH+HO ₂ +ALD ₂	1.0×10 ⁻³ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₁₈ RP+OH→0.5(VRO ₂ +ALD ₂ +OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₁₉ RP+hν→OH+HO ₂ +ALD ₂	5.0×10 ⁻⁴ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₂₀ DAP+OH→0.5(MAO ₃ +ALD ₂ +OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₂₁ DAP+hν→OH+HO ₂ +ALD ₂	1.0×10 ⁻³ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₂₂ XAP ₂ +OH→0.5(MRO ₂ +ALD ₂ +OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₂₃ XAP ₂ +hν→OH+HO ₂ +ALD ₂	1.0×10 ⁻³ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₂₄ HACO+NO ₂ →IPAN	4.7×10 ⁻¹²	d
kP ₂₅ IPAN→HACO+NO ₂	1.95×10 ¹⁶ exp(-13543/T)	d
kP ₂₆ HACO+NO→NO ₂ +HO ₂ +HCHO	2.6×10 ⁻¹² exp(365/T)	e
kP ₂₇ HACO+HO ₂ →HEP	3.0×10 ⁻¹²	d
kP ₂₈ HEP+OH→0.5(HACO+2HCHO+OH)+H ₂ O	1.0×10 ⁻¹¹	d
kP ₂₉ HEP+hν→OH+HO ₂ +2HCHO	5.0×10 ⁻⁴ J(NO ₂)	d
kP ₃₀ C ₂ H ₅ OOH,(n/i)C ₃ H ₇ OOH,CH ₃ C(O)OOH, HOC ₂ H ₃ OOH,DAP,HEP,PP,RAP,RP,TCP, TP,XAP ₁ ,XAP ₂ ,ZP→Rainout/Washout	0–4 km, 2.31×10 ⁻⁶ > 4 km (z in km), 2.31×10 ⁻⁶ exp(1.6–0.4z)	h

^aDeMore et al. [1997].

^bAtkinson et al. [1992].

^cCondensed chemical reaction mechanism [Lurmann et al., 1986].

^dDetailed chemical reaction mechanism [Lurmann et al., 1986].

^eAssumes rate for C₂H₅O₂ + NO.

^fAssumes rate for C₂H₅O₂ + HO₂.

^gJohnston et al. [1986].

^hLogan et al. [1981].

ⁱEstimated.

^jDentener and Crutzen [1993].

^kTemperature dependence of cross section from Molina and Molina [1986] and quantum yields from Talukdar et al. [1998].

^lCross sections from Hynes et al. [1992] and quantum yields from McKeen et al. [1997].

^mPaulson et al. [1992].

ⁿProducts based on Paulson et al. [1992].

^oJ values shown are calculated for the surface at 30° solar zenith angle, T = 298K, and an O₃ column density of 250 Dobson Units.

^pTermolecular k values given by

$$k = \left(\frac{k_o(T)[M]}{1 + (k_o(T)[M]/k_{\infty}(T))} \right) 0.6^{[1 + (\log_{10}(k_o(T)[M]/k_{\infty}(T)))^2]^{-1}}$$

where, $k_o(T) = k_o^{300}(T/300)^{-n}$ and $k_{\infty}(T) = k_{\infty}^{300}(T/300)^{-m}$

^qRate is given by

$$k = k_o + \frac{k_3[M]}{1 + k_3[M]/k_2}$$

where, $k_o = 7.2 \times 10^{-15} \exp(785/T)$, $k_2 = 4.1 \times 10^{-16} \exp(1440/T)$, and $k_3 = 1.9 \times 10^{-33} \exp(725/T)$

^bDetails on the calculation of β coefficients are found in *Lurmann et al.* [1986].

than 0.1% (R. K. Talukdar and A. R. Ravishankara, private communication, 1999). This result indicates that this reaction has no significant impact on diurnal average HO_x concentrations. Furthermore, this yield is too small to even expect any significant contribution at high solar zenith angles.

Finally, errors in kinetic rate coefficients and in OH calibration sources must be recognized as potential contributors to the discrepancy between observed and calculated HO_x levels. Errors in kinetic rate coefficients have been investigated previously through Monte Carlo calculations [Thompson and Stewart, 1991; Thompson et al., 1997; Davis et al., 1993; Crawford et al., 1997b; Crawford, 1997]. In the upper troposphere, where temperatures are coldest, the uncertainties in calculated OH and HO₂ can become quite large (e.g., 30-50%). The absolute calibration of OH instruments must also continue to be investigated for possible sources of systematic error. A major development on this front would involve a rigorous (e.g., double blind) intercomparison of current airborne instruments. At present there appear to be at least two OH instruments (e.g., LIF and CIMS), based on totally different operating principles, that could be intercompared.

7. Summary

Data recorded in the tropical upper troposphere (8-12 km, 20°N-20°S) during NASA's Pacific Exploratory Missions (PEM-West A, PEM-West B, and PEM-Tropics A) have been used to examine HO_x photochemistry in this region. The availability of measurements of oxygenated hydrocarbons and peroxides from these flight campaigns have made it possible to quantitatively assess the potential impact from these species on HO_x levels as well as on other related photochemical parameters. Sensitivity calculations using a time dependent photochemical box model were carried out in which model runs were sequentially constrained by observations of water vapor, NMHCs, acetone, methanol/ethanol, CH₃OOH, and H₂O₂.

The impact due to constraining species was found to increase with altitude, reflecting the systematic roll-off in water vapor. Relative to water vapor chemistry which defined the base calculation, the largest increases below 11 km were associated with acetone and CH₃OOH. At 11-12 km, H₂O₂ contributed more to HO_x increases than CH₃OOH. The overall median increase in HO_x from all constraints approached a factor of 2 at

Table A2. Species Abbreviations Used in Nonmethane Hydrocarbon Reactions.

Abbr.	Definition	Abbr.	Definition
ALD ₂	≥ C ₂ aldehydes	MVN ₂	MVK+NO ₃ radical product
ALKA	lumped ≥ C ₄ alkanes	OZID	ozonide or rearrangement product
ALKE	≥ C ₃ alkenes	PAN	CH ₃ CO ₃ NO ₂
AROM	aromatics	PO ₂	≥ C ₃ alkene RO ₂
CHO ₂	Criegee biradical (CH ₂ O ₂)	PP	≥ C ₃ alkene ROOH
CRES	Cresol	PRN ₁	≥ C ₃ alkene+NO ₃ radical
CRO ₂	Criegee biradical (CH ₃ CHO ₂)	PRN ₂	PRN ₁ +NO ₂ radical
DAP	CH ₂ =C(CH ₃)C(O)OOH	PROD	Undefined products
DIAL	unsaturated dicarbonyl	PRPN	PRN ₁ +HO ₂ product
GLYX	(CHO) ₂ (glyoxal)	RAN ₁	≥ C ₄ alkane RNO ₂
HACO	HOCH ₂ C(O)OO	RAN ₂	≥ C ₄ alkane RONO ₂
HEP	HOCH ₂ C(O)OOH	RANO ₂	RAN ₁ +NO product
INO ₂	isoprene-NO ₃ -O ₂ adduct	RANP	RAN ₁ ROOH
IPAN	HOCH ₂ C(O)OONO ₂	RANP ₂	RANO ₂ ROOH
IPN ₄	INO ₂ +NO ₂ product	RAO ₂	≥ C ₄ alkane RO ₂
ISOP	isoprene (C ₅ H ₁₀)	RAP	≥ C ₄ alkane ROOH
KO ₂	methyl ethyl ketone RO ₂	RIO ₂	isoprene RO ₂
MACR	methacrolein	RP	RC(O)OOH (R=2)
MAN ₂	MACR+NO ₃ radical product	TCO ₃	CHOCH=CHCO ₃
MAO ₃	CH ₂ =C(CH ₃)C(O)OO	TCP	CHOCH=CHC(O)OOH
MAOO	Criegee biradical (CH ₂ =C(CH ₃)CHOO)	TO ₂	aromatic RO ₂
MEK	methyl ethyl ketone (CH ₃ COCH ₂ CH ₃)	TP	aromatic ROOH
MGGY	α-dicarbonyl	TPAN	CHOCH=CHCO ₃ NO ₂
MGLY	CH ₃ COCHO (methylglyoxal)	VRO ₂	MVK RO ₂
MPAN	CH ₂ =C(CH ₃)C(O)OONO ₂	XAP ₁	ISOP ROOH
MRO ₂	MACR RO ₂	XAP ₂	MACR ROOH
MVK	methyl vinyl ketone	ZO ₂	aromatic RO ₂
MVKO	Criegee biradical (CH ₂ =CHC(OO)CH ₃)	ZP	aromatic ROOH

11-12 km. Median increases in CH₃O₂ and CH₂O at 11-12 km exceeded a factor of 3, and increases in gross and net photochemical production of ozone exceeded a factor of 2.

An examination of the uncertainty in high-altitude water vapor revealed that calculations were fairly insensitive to large changes in water vapor (e.g., factors of 3-5) when absolute water vapor was below 100 ppmv. For fully constrained calculations (case F), the above cited differences in water vapor resulted in only a 5% change in HO_x levels. This result suggests that measurements of acetone and peroxides should be regarded as more critical than the accuracy of water vapor when the latter has mixing ratios below 100 ppmv. This lack of sensitivity to water below 100 ppmv is due both to the fact that water is no longer the dominant primary HO_x source and that secondary HO_x formation exceeds primary formation.

Peroxide observations were evaluated for evidence of convective impacts. For high water vapor environments such as the PWB low NO_x regime, calculations indicate that convectively perturbed peroxides rapidly return to expected steady-state values. The peroxide observations also support the contention that H₂O₂ is depleted relative to predicted steady-state values while CH₃OOH is elevated. In contrast, calculations based on the low water vapor environment at 11-12 km show that perturbations to CH₃OOH can lead to elevated H₂O₂ levels which can remain above the expected steady-state level for several days after CH₃OOH has dissipated. This potentially serves to explain why H₂O₂ can have values elevated above steady state by factors of 3 even when CH₃OOH is measured at or below its LOD.

The possibility that additional HO_x sources might be present in the upper troposphere was also explored. One suggestion hypothesized a potentially large integrated source of HO_x from the degradation of all organic peroxides/ketones/alcohols/aldehydes/etc. A second possibility relating to the reaction of O₂(b¹Σ_g⁻) with H₂ appears to be unimportant based on a recent laboratory study. Still other areas requiring continued investigation include further studies of temperature dependencies for gas kinetic rate coefficients at the low temperatures of the upper troposphere and further calibration exercises involving OH sensors. Both of these areas must be acknowledged as potential contributors to future disagreements between model calculations and observations.

Finally, it is recognized that as additional HO_x measurements are made in the upper troposphere, concurrent measurements of acetone and peroxides will be critical to establishing whether they alone are sufficient to explain the HO_x observations. In this context, measurements of CH₂O would also be of great value as a further indicator for sources of HO_x from a wide range of oxygenated hydrocarbon species.

Appendix

Table A1 provides a detailed list of the photochemical box model mechanism used in this study. Table A2 provides definitions for the numerous abbreviations used for NMHC-related species. Most of these abbreviations are in keeping with those established by Lurmann *et al.* [1986].

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