



# Supplement of

# Characterization of ozone production in San Antonio, Texas, using measurements of total peroxy radicals

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# Supplementary Information

3	S1. ECHAMP Inlet Description		
4	A schematic of the ECHAMP inlet used during SAFS is shown in Fig. S1. As described in the		
5	main text, the inlet was mounted approximately 15 m above ground level. Solenoid valves were located		
6	inside the AML, and gases were transported to the inlet through 22.8 m of 3.2 mm (1/8") OD FEP tubing		
7	for NO and copper tubing for $N_2$ and $C_2H_6$ . At any given point in time, one reaction chamber was in		
8	amplification mode ( $C_2H_6$ added upstream, $N_2$ added downstream) and the other was in background mode		
9	$(N_2 added upstream, and C_2H_6 added downstream)$ . This inlet differs from that described in Wood et al.		
10	(2017) in that a $RO_X$ calibration system based on water vapor photolysis (described in Sect. S2.1) was		
11	permanently connected to the inlet, so that calibrations could be performed without disturbing sampling		
12	from the other instruments. During calibrations, zero air was delivered by 22.8 m of 9.5 mm (3/8") OD		
13	FEP tubing to a 12.7 mm (0.5") OD quartz tube inside the inlet box		
14	S2. XO <sub>2</sub> Calibrations		
15	Total peroxy radicals were calibrated using two methods: photolysis of H <sub>2</sub> O followed by reaction		
16	with either $H_2$ or $C_2H_6$ and photolysis of $CH_3I$ . We describe both methods here.		
17	S2.1. H <sub>2</sub> O calibration		
18	Calibration of XO <sub>2</sub> was performed via water vapor photolysis at 184.9 nm from a mercury lamp,		
19	which produces an equimolar mixture of OH and HO <sub>2</sub> , according to Reaction (RS1) (Schultz et al.,		
20	1995;Lanzendorf et al., 1997). The OH was then reacted with $H_2(g)$ which was added to the zero air		
21	flow upstream of the UV illumination to quantitatively convert OH into $HO_2$ (Reaction RS2).		
	$\begin{array}{ll} H_2O + h\upsilon + O_2 \rightarrow OH + HO_2 & (RS1) \\ OH + H_2 + O_2 \rightarrow HO_2 + H_2O & (RS2) \end{array}$		
22 23	Total XO2 can then be calculated from Eq. (S1), where brackets denote concentration, $\sigma$ and $\phi$		
24	are the absorption cross sections and photolysis quantum yields at 185 nm for the indicated species,		
25	respectively. For $\sigma_{H2O}$ we use $7.1 \times 10^{-20}$ cm <sup>2</sup> molecule <sup>-1</sup> (Cantrell et al., 1997). The effective O <sub>2</sub>		
26	absorption cross section depends on both the UV lamp operating conditions and the $O_2$ column density		

and therefore must be characterized for each lamp (Lanzendorf et al., 1997;Creasey et al., 2000). The Hg lamp used in this study was characterized at the University of Indiana courtesy of Phil Stevens and found to have an effective cross section of  $1.3 \times 10^{-20}$  cm<sup>2</sup> molecule<sup>-1</sup> at an O<sub>2</sub> column density of  $5 \times 10^{18}$ molecules cm<sup>-3</sup>, within the range of values seen in other studies (Lanzendorf et al., 1997;Creasey et al., 2000). Quantification of the ozone formed by photolysis of O<sub>2</sub> at the same wavelength (184.9 nm) serves as the "chemical actinometer" (Schultz et al., 1995).

$$[HO_2] + [RO_2] = \frac{[O_3][H_2O]\sigma_{H2O}\phi_{H2O}}{[O_2]\sigma_{O2}\phi_{O2}}$$
(S1)

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34 The typical calibration procedure is as follows:

8 to 10 LPM of dry zero air (ZA) flow sequentially through 22.8 m of 9.5 mm (3/8") OD FEP
 tubing, an 18 cm long 12.7 mm (0.5") quartz tube in the ECHAMP inlet box, and into the
 sampling manifold (see Fig. S1). Both reaction chambers are operated in background mode, with
 NO and N<sub>2</sub> added upstream of the reaction chambers and ethane added downstream. The NO<sub>2</sub>
 concentration measured by the CAPS sensors for this step is solely from impurities in the NO
 flow and NO<sub>2</sub> formed by the termolecular reaction between NO and O<sub>2</sub>.

41	2.	A mercury lamp (Jelight 78-2046-2) mounted onto the outside of the quartz tube is then turned
42		on, providing UV radiation at 184.9 nm and resulting in the production of $O_3$ in the ZA flow but
43		no HO <sub>X</sub> given the absence of $H_2O_{(g)}$ . A nitrogen purge was placed between the lamp and the
44		quartz tubing to prevent ozone formation outside of the sampling system. Only a small portion of
45		the quartz tubing (~1 cm) is exposed to the lamp to control the eventual HO <sub>X</sub> and $O_3$
46		concentrations. The ozone reacts with the excess NO to produce $NO_2$ . The ozone concentration
47		for Eq. (S1) is thus given by the difference in measured $[NO_2]$ between steps 1 and 2 of the
48		calibration, with a 10% correction applied to account for the dilution by the added flows of NO,
49		$N_2$ , and $C_2H_6$ . Typical $O_3$ concentrations for calibration were between 0.5 and 2 ppbv, which is

50	easily measured with the CAPS sensors given their typical NO <sub>2</sub> precision of 20 pptv with 10-		
51	second averaging.		
52	3. A portion of the ZA is then sent through a bubbler system with distilled water to humidify the ZA		
53	flow. The $H_2O$ concentration for Eq. (S1) is calculated using the RH and temperature reading		
54	form the Vaisala probe and the ambient pressure.		
55	4. $H_2$ gas was then added to the mixture at a flow rate of 30 sccm. ECHAMP was then operated in		
56	normal sampling mode, with the two reaction chambers alternating between amplification and		
57	background modes every 60 s.		
58	The amplification factor, F, is then determined from the ratio of the observed change in NO <sub>2</sub> signal		
59	during step 4 (amplification mode) to the $XO_2$ concentration calculated from Eq. (S1).		
60 61	S2.2. CH <sub>3</sub> I calibration		
62	The CH <sub>3</sub> I photolysis method, similar to the acetone photolysis method described in Wood and		
63	Charest (2014) except that methyl iodide is used in place of acetone, produces methyl peroxy radicals		
64	(CH <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) by the UV photolysis of CH <sub>3</sub> I(g):		
65 66 67 68 69	$\begin{array}{ll} CH_{3}I+254 \text{ nm} \rightarrow CH_{3}+I & (RS3)\\ CH_{3}+O_{2}+M \rightarrow CH_{3}O_{2}+M & (RS4) \end{array}$ In both cases, the peroxy radical concentration is quantified simply by the increase in NO <sub>2</sub> following		
70	reaction of the peroxy radicals with excess NO. The concentration quantification does not rely on		
71	spectroscopic parameters or direct actinometry of the UV source, but instead on the accuracy of the NO <sub>2</sub>		
72	measurements by the CAPS, which we trace to the absorption cross section of $O_3$ at 254 nm, and the		
73	relative rate constants for reactions.		
74	The source of CH <sub>3</sub> I is a permeation tube (KynTek, 1.8 $\mu$ g/min permeation rate at 35° C), held at		
75	$55^{\circ}$ C. We flow approximately 100 sccm of N <sub>2</sub> through the permeation tube and dilute this into a larger		
76	flow of 8 LPM of either dry or humidified ultra zero air, resulting in an estimated CH <sub>3</sub> I mixing ratio of 80		
77	ppbv based on the manufacturer-stated permeation rate and assuming the permeation rate is twice as high		

- 78 at 55° C. This diluted CH<sub>3</sub>I then enters a Pyrex photolysis chamber (volume 50 cm<sup>3</sup>) into which an "O<sub>3</sub>-
- 79 free" mercury lamp is inserted (Jelight model 81-3306-2, all 185 nm radiation blocked).

80 When these CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> radicals enter the reaction chamber that is in "background" mode, i.e., with
81 the C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> added downstream of the NO addition, allowing time for all sampled ROx to be converted to
82 HONO, the following reactions occur:

83	$CH_3O_2 + NO \rightarrow CH_3O + NO_2$	(RS5)
84	$CH_3O + O_2 \rightarrow HCHO + HO_2$	(RS6)
85	$CH_{3}O + NO + M \rightarrow CH_{3}ONO + M$	(RS7)
86	$HO_2 + NO \rightarrow OH + NO_2$	(RS8)
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88 Thus by modulating the  $CH_3O_2$  source and observing the change in  $NO_2$ , the concentration of  $CH_3O_2$  can 89 be calculated based on the overall stoichiometry of Reactions (RS5) through (RS8). Modulating the NO 90 flow on and off instead of the CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> source would be inferior because it would also remove the NO<sub>2</sub> 91 already present in the NO flow due to impurities and the termolecular reaction between NO and  $O_2$ . The 92  $CH_3O_2$  flow can be modulated in three ways: 1. Periodically diverting the  $CH_3I$  flow from the perm tube 93 away from the air dilution flow (but with the zero air still illuminated by the UV lamp), 2. Turning the 94 UV source on and off, or 3. Periodically having the diluted  $CH_3I + zero air flow bypass the UV chamber$ 95 and proceed to the ECHAMP inlet. 96 Method 1 is similar to the acetone photolysis method described by Wood and Charest (2014) with the 97 weakness that it will also remove any interfering species present in the permeation tube output that absorb

blue light, e.g.,  $I_2$  or  $I_3$  compounds. The advantage of methods 2 and 3 are that any blue-absorbing species

99 present in the gas mixture will always be present and thus not present an interference. This is important

100 when using the CAPS monitor to quantify NO<sub>2</sub>, since it measures the total cell absorption at 450 nm

101 (FWHM 10 nm) and thus is not completely spectroscopically selective to NO<sub>2</sub>. Method 2 suffers from the

time required for the Hg lamp to warm-up. Method 3 is thus our primary method, though we periodically

use methods 1 and 2 as a check. A schematic of the calibration setup is shown in Fig. S6.

104 There are two main parts to the calibration procedure:

105	1. CH <sub>3</sub> I flows through the UV chamber, producing CH <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> radicals, and the two channels	
106	of ECHAMP are operated in its standard operation mode, each channel alternating	
107	between amplification mode and background mode.	
108	2. Both channels are kept in background mode, and the CH <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> source is modulated as	
109	described above by periodically having the diluted CH <sub>3</sub> I flow bypass the photolysis	
110	chamber.	
111 112 113	The amplification factor is given by Eq. (S2):	
114 115	$F = \Delta NO_2(step1) / [CH_3O_2] $ (S2)	
116	$\Delta NO_2(step 1)$ is the difference in [NO <sub>2</sub> ] observed by ECHAMP during step 1 of the calibration procedure	
117	and [CH <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ] is determined by the following equation:	
118	$[CH_{3}O_{2}] = \Delta NO_{2}(step 2) / (1.86 \times 0.92) $ (S3)	
119	$\Delta NO_2(step 2)$ is the change in [NO <sub>2</sub> ] observed when the CH <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> source is modulated during step 2. The	
121	factor of 1.86 accounts for the portion of the CH <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> radicals that form CH <sub>3</sub> ONO upon reaction with	
122	excess NO rather than two NO <sub>2</sub> molecules. This is calculated by Eq. (S4):	
123 124 125	$FF = 2\left\{\frac{k_{RS6}[O_2]}{k_{RS6}[O_2] + k_{RS7}[NO]}\right\} $ (S4)	
125	Where $k_{RS6} (1.9 \times 10^{-15} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1})$ and $k_{RS7} (3.3 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1})$ are the rate constants	
127	for Reactions (RS6) and (RS7), respectively (Atkinson et al., 2006). The factor of 0.92 in Eq. (S2)	
128	accounts for the dilution of the gas by the added $N_2$ , $C_2H_6/N_2$ , and $NO/N_2$ .	
129	In contrast to the H <sub>2</sub> O photolysis method, this CH <sub>3</sub> I method is an "internal" calibration, i.e. the	
130	concentration determined is the amount that entered the reaction chamber - it does not account for losses	
131	of radicals in the sampling system. Separate wall loss measurements have demonstrated that losses of	
132	$CH_3O_2$ in our sampling inlet are negligible (less than 1%) and losses of $HO_2$ less than 3%. Sampling	
133	losses of CH <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> and other peroxy radicals, especially HO <sub>2</sub> , will be described in more detail in a future	
134	publication (Anderson et al, in preparation).	

135	An example time series of CH <sub>3</sub> I calibration data is shown in Fig. S7 from 31 May 2017. From 10:30		
136	to 10:34 ECHAMP was operating in regular sampling mode (alt	ernating amplification-background	
137	mode), sampling CH <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> radicals from the CH <sub>3</sub> I photolysis syste	m at 23% RH, with a modulated $NO_2$	
138	signal of 4.14 ppbv. From 10:34 to 10:40, the diluted CH <sub>3</sub> I period	odically bypassed the UV chamber,	
139	producing a modulated NO <sub>2</sub> signal of 0.37 ppbv. This results in	an amplification factor of 19.1. During	
140	field calibrations we typically measure multiple single-point cal	ibrations over a range of RH values. To	
141	confirm instrument linearity we occasionally execute multi-poir	t calibrations over a range of	
142	concentrations at a single RH value. The uncertainty of this calibration method depends on the short-term		
143	precision and baseline drift of the CAPS monitors, the CAPS No	O <sub>2</sub> calibration, the uncertainty in the NO	
144	and $O_2$ mixing ratios, and the rate constants for RS5, RS6, and H	RS7. For the calibration concentrations	
145	used during SAFS, the 2 sigma uncertainty of this method was 2	20%.	
146	We have also investigated potential interferences due to $I_2$ f	ormation. $I_2$ can also be formed following	
147	photolysis of CH <sub>3</sub> I through the following mechanisms as describ	bed by Clemitshaw et al (1997):	
148 149 150 151 152 153	$I + I + M \rightarrow I_2 + M$ $I + NO + M \rightarrow INO + M$ $INO + INO \rightarrow I_2 + 2NO$ $CH_3O_2 + I + M \leftrightarrow CH_3O_2I + M$ $CH_3O_2I + I \rightarrow CH_3O_2 + I_2$	(RS9) (RS10) (RS11) (RS12) (RS13)	
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164 concentration, there is negligible interference from  $I_2$  in our calibration. For a flow rate that produced a 165  $CH_3O_2$  concentration of 450 pptv, significantly larger than what is used for calibrations, the CAPS 166 produced an "equivalent" NO<sub>2</sub> signal of ~100 pptv, which would lead to an overestimate in the CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 167 concentration of 22%.

168 A simple computer numerical integration, using the above described reactions, was also used to 169 calculate the variation in INO, I<sub>2</sub>, and CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>I with time. Literature values were used for all rate constants 170 except for reactions S12 and S13, for which literature values could not be found. Four simulations were conducted. In the first two, the rate constant for Reaction (RS12) (forward) was estimated as  $1 \times 10^{-11}$ 171 cm<sup>3</sup> molecules<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>, and the rate constant for the reverse (RS12) reaction, k was assumed to be 0. The 172 173 initial concentrations of I and CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> were 100 pptv in the first simulation and 1000 pptv in the second. 174 In the third and fourth simulations, these initial concentrations were kept the same, while the reaction rates for S12 was increased to  $1 \times 10^{-10}$  cm<sup>3</sup> molecules<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>. The simulations are summarized in Table S1. 175 176 Table S2 shows the reaction rate constants for each reaction used in the simulation.

177 Each simulation showed that I<sub>2</sub> formation was negligible for the conditions used in calibration. In 178 the presence of 1 ppmv NO, the simulations indicated that more than 99.9% of the I is rapidly converted 179 to INO, leaving the INO self-reaction (Reaction RS14) as the only viable route to I<sub>2</sub> formation. The rate constant for this reaction is  $1.3 \times 10^{-14}$  cm<sup>3</sup> molecules<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> (Atkinson et al., 2007) – 30 times slower than 180 the effective 2<sup>nd</sup>-order rate constant for the direct recombination of atomic I (Reaction RS9). In addition, 181 182 the simulation was repeated including the reaction of I with INO to form  $I_2$  and NO, with no significant 183 change to the results. We conclude that  $I_2$  formation is negligible under the conditions of our calibrations, 184 in agreement with our laboratory tests.

185 S2.3. Calibration Comparison

Figure S8 compares the CH<sub>3</sub>I (blue circles) and H<sub>2</sub>O photolysis (red, filled triangles) calibration
methods from the SAFS campaign. Both methods agree within uncertainty. Variability in the F values
likely results from variations in mercury lamp intensity, which during the campaign was only measured

189 when the ozone mixing ratio was quantified (via the change in  $[NO_2]$ ) when the lamp was turned off. We use the CH<sub>3</sub>I derived curve in this analysis because H<sub>2</sub>O photolysis calibrations were all conducted at RH 190 191 less than  $\sim 20\%$ . Because increasing the RH also increases the HO<sub>2</sub> concentration in the H<sub>2</sub>O photolysis 192 calibration method, the UV lamp output must be attenuated to prevent super-ambient radical 193 concentrations. During SAFS, a remote method of light attenuation was unavailable, and because the 194 instrument inlet box was inaccessible without interrupting sampling for other instruments, we could not 195 alter the H<sub>2</sub>O photolysis setup. For RH greater than 20%, it was found that the resultant HO<sub>2</sub> 196 concentration was unreasonably high (sometimes exceeding 1 ppbv), and we therefore limit results to 197 below this value. To demonstrate that the  $H_2O$  photolysis calibration method is applicable over a wider 198 range of RH, we show results from a subsequent field deployment in Bloomington, IN during July 2017 199 (Fig. S8, red, open triangles). While we would expect differences in the calibration results because the 200 instrument configuration was different for this later deployment, the overall relationship between F and 201 RH is similar at higher RH values. 202 S3. Isoprene 203

204 No isoprene standard was available during SAFS for online calibration of the GC-MS 205 observations, so an isoprene sensitivity was not determined during the campaign. Approximately 6-206 months after SAFS, a calibration of the same instrument was conducted during a second campaign using a 207 multi-component mixture, including isoprene and 6 other hydrocarbons (iso-pentane, n-pentane, n-208 hexane, methylcyclopentane, cyclohexane, and benzene) measured during SAFS. To determine a 209 sensitivity for isoprene for SAFS, the sensitivities for the six hydrocarbons during SAFS was compared to 210 that for the second campaign, in which the GC setup differed in both sample trap temperature and detector 211 micro channel plate voltage from the SAFS configuration. The mean ratio of sensitivities from SAFS to 212 the second campaign for the six overlapping hydrocarbons was  $0.34 \pm 0.10$  (1 $\sigma$ ), while the slope of a 213 regression line of the SAFS sensitivities to the second campaign sensitivities was 0.38. The isoprene 214 sensitivity for SAFS was then determined by dividing the sensitivity to isoprene at the second campaign

by the average of these two values (0.36). The total uncertainty  $(1\sigma)$  in the isoprene observations is estimated as 31%, with the sensitivity uncertainty dominating.

217 While there was an in-field calibration for the PTR derived isoprene, it was determined that the 218 isoprene concentration in this older calibration tank was most likely lower than the stated value, biasing 219 the PTR results. There were overlapping observations of the PTR and GC derived isoprene values from 220 the start of the campaign to 19 May, after which the GC trap was damaged. So that we have calibrated 221 isoprene observations for the duration of the campaign, we have scaled the PTR derived isoprene to GC 222 values for this overlapping period. The 1-minute averaged PTR data were averaged to the GC sampling 223 time, and a linear least squares regression was used to determine the relationship. This resulted in a fit 224 with an r<sup>2</sup> of 0.91 and a relationship between the two instruments as follows:  $[C_5H_8]_{GC} = 0.787[C_5H_8]_{PTR} - 0.787[C_5H_8]_{PTR}$ 225 0.15 (Fig. S9). The normalized mean bias for this relationship was 7%.

To evaluate the scaled PTR isoprene, we compare these values to isoprene measurements made hourly by a GC at the Floresville TCEQ site. The scaled PTR isoprene was averaged to the TCEQ sampling frequency and regressed against the TCEQ isoprene. This yielded a slope of 0.93 with an  $r^2$  of 0.88. There was an offset of 0.10 ppbv between the two data sets with the TCEQ isoprene higher. The excellent agreement between the scaled PTR isoprene and the TCEQ isoprene further validates the isoprene results presented here.

#### 232 S4. Model Description

To calculate the L<sub>N</sub>/Q parameter from Sect. 3.2 of the main text, we modeled the photochemistry with the Framework for 0-D Atmospheric Modeling (F0AM) version 3.1 box model (Wolfe et al., 2016). The model was run with a subset of the Master Chemical Mechanism (Jenkin et al., 2003;Saunders et al., 2003) version 3.3.1 (MCMv331) (Jenkin et al., 2015). F0AM was constrained with observations taken during SAFS of temperature, pressure, water vapor, O<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, CH<sub>4</sub>, HCHO, methanol, acetone, acetaldehyde, isoprene, propane, ethane, ethyne, monoterpenes, toluene, *n*-pentane, *n*-hexane, *n*-heptane, *n*-octane, xylenes, ethyl benzene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene, benzene, and cyclohexane. Because there were 240 no speciated observations, all monoterpenes were assumed to be  $\alpha$ -pinene. Likewise, observations of 241 total *m*- and *p*-xylene were assumed to be a 50% mixture. Observational constraints were averaged over 242 the 2-minute ECHAMP sampling interval, and only intervals with simultaneous observations of XO<sub>2</sub>, CO, 243 O<sub>3</sub>, NO, water vapor, isoprene, and HCHO were used. Data from the GC, which had a sampling 244 frequency lower than that of ECHAMP, were linearly interpolated to the ECHAMP sampling time. The 245 modeled intervals were further restricted to sampling at a solar zenith angle (SZA) less than 80°. Missing 246 data were linearly interpolated in time. For photolysis reactions, the model was constrained to 247 observations of  $J_{NO2}$ . Other photolysis rates were determined from a lookup table of values calculated by 248 the TUV model as described in Wolfe et al. (2016). These values were then scaled to the observed JNO<sub>2</sub>. 249 The model was run forward in time with a model time-step of 1 hour, with all constrained concentrations 250 and meteorology held constant but photolysis frequencies varying with time of day. The diurnal cycle 251 was repeated for 4 days for each set of observations, which was found sufficient to bring  $XO_2$  into steady 252 state.





256 Figure S1: A schematic of the ECHAMP inlet used during SAFS. Dashed lines represent glass coated in halocarbon wax. The ZA flow is only used during H<sub>2</sub>O based calibrations. As drawn, the upper reaction chamber (Chamber A) is in amplification mode (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> added upstream, N<sub>2</sub> added downstream) and the lower reaction chamber (Chamber B) is in background mode. Every minute, the C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> and N<sub>2</sub> flows are switched so that the reaction chamber that was in amplification mode is then in background mode and vice versa. The upstream and downstream additions are  $\sim 15.2$  cm apart, and the reaction chamber 

continues for another 66 cm before entering a filter. C2H6 was a 42.2% in N2 mixture and was flowed at

35 sccm; NO was a 39.2 ppmv in N2 mixture and was flowed at 25 sccm. The N2 flow rate was 35 sccm.



**Figure S2:** Wind roses showing the variation in  $O_3$  (a), NO (b), XO<sub>2</sub> (c), isoprene (d), P(O<sub>3</sub>) (e), and  $P(RO_X)$  (f) with direction for all observations at the UTSA site. Observations are separated into their 5<sup>th</sup>,

- 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup>, and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles for each species.



Figure S3: Same as Figure 6c except for  $P(HO_X) > 0.4$  pptv/s. The subset of observations with  $P(RO_X) > 0.4$ 

- 0.4 pptv s<sup>-1</sup> are separated into three categories: low VOC reactivity (VOCR <  $3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ; magenta), medium VOC reactivity ( $3 < \text{VOCR} < 6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ; black), and high VOC reactivity ( $6 < \text{VOCR} < 9 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ; green). As in
- Figure 6b, data are separated into NO bins with equal numbers of observations in each bin.



279 280 Figure S4: The variation of  $P(O_3)$  with NO for all daytime observations (07:00 to 20:00) made during

SAFS. Observations with  $P(RO_X) > 0.4$  pptv s<sup>-1</sup> are shown in red, and observations with  $P(RO_X) < 0.2$ 281 282 pptv s<sup>-1</sup> are shown in blue.  $P(O_3)$  for the filled points was calculated using  $k_{NO+HO2}$  as  $k_{eff}$ . This is the

same as the data in Fig. 6b. Open markers show  $P(O_3)$  calculated with different values for  $k_{eff}$ :  $k_{NO+CH3O2}$ 283

(squares), k<sub>NO+Isoprene RO2</sub> (stars), and 0.1\*k<sub>NO+Acetyl Peroxy</sub>+0.9\*k<sub>NO+HO2</sub> (triangles). 284

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286 287 Figure S5: One-hour average O<sub>3</sub> at the Calaveras (blue) and Pecan Valley (cvan) TCEQ monitoring sites

288 and at the UTSA SAFS site, including observations from both the AML (red) and by the University of

<sup>289</sup> Houston (black).



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**Figure S6:** A schematic of the CH<sub>3</sub>I calibration setup. Hourglass shapes represent two-way valves. The







Figure S7: An example time series of CH<sub>3</sub>I calibration data from 31 May 2017. From 10:30 to 10:34
 ECHAMP operated in regular amplification mode. From 10:34 to 10:40 ECHAMP was in background
 mode (no amplification) and the CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> source was modulated on and off.





Figure S8: Calibration curve for ECHAMP during SAFS. The results from the CH<sub>3</sub>I (blue circles) H<sub>2</sub>O photolysis (red, filled triangles) are both shown. In addition, results from an H<sub>2</sub>O photolysis calibration

conducted during a subsequent field deployment are also shown (red, open triangles). Indicated

uncertainties are the ECHAMP measurement uncertainty of 25% ( $2\sigma$ ).



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Figure S9: Comparison of isoprene measured by the PTR to observations from the GC. The isoprene sensitivity of the GC was determined several months after the campaign as described in the text. 

Table S1: Description of the different simulations used to calculate the variation in INO, I<sub>2</sub>, and CH<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>I with time in the CH<sub>3</sub>I calibration setup. k<sub>CH302+I+M</sub> is the rate constant for the forward reaction of reaction S12. 

	Simulation 1	Simulation 2	Simulation 3	Simulation 4
$[I]_0 = [CH_3O_2]_0 (pptv)$	100	1000	100	1000
$k_{CH3O2+I+M}$ (molecules cm <sup>-3</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	$1.0 \times 10^{-11}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-11}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-10}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-10}$

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317	Table S2: Rate constants at 298 K and sources for the iodine simulations.	The reaction rate for Reaction
318	S12 forward was varied as described in the text and Table S1.	

Reaction	k <sub>i</sub> (cm <sup>3</sup>	Source
	molecules <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	
$I + I \rightarrow I_2$ (Reaction RS9)	$3.92 \times 10^{-13}$	Jenkin et al. (1990)
$I + NO + M \rightarrow INO + M$ (Reaction RS10)	$1.7 \times 10^{-11}$	Atkinson et al. (2007)
INO + INO $\rightarrow$ I <sub>2</sub> + 2NO (Reaction RS11)	$1.3 \times 10^{-14}$	Atkinson et al. (2007)
$CH_3O_2 + I + M \rightarrow CH_3O_2I + M$ (Reaction RS12 forward)	$1.0 \times 10^{-11}$	Estimate
$CH_3O_2I + M \rightarrow CH_3O_2 + I + M$ (Reaction RS12 reverse)	0	Estimate
$CH_3O_2I + I \rightarrow I_2 + CH_3O_2$ (Reaction RS13)	$1.0 \times 10^{-11}$	Estimate
$CH_3O_2 + NO \rightarrow NO_2 + CH_3O$	$7.7 \times 10^{-12}$	Sanders et al. (2011)

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