

Supporting Information to “Mechanistic Study of Formation of Ring-retaining and Ring-opening Products from Oxidation of Aromatic Compounds under Urban Atmospheric Conditions”

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1 Additional Tables and Figures

Table S1: Description of experiments.

VOC	Initial VOC concentration, ppbv	Initial HONO injection, ppbv	Additional HONO injections ^a , ppbv	Particle loading after seed injection, cm ⁻³	Temp., K	RH, %
toluene	89	28	16 (124); 28 (220)	2.6·10 ⁴	292	2%
toluene	89	30	17 (140); 6 (180); 12 (290)	4.2·10 ⁴	292	2%
toluene	89	31	21 (125); 18 (290)	3.2·10 ⁴	292	2%
toluene	89	28	23 (180)	100 ^b	292	3%
124-TMB	69	30	5 (155); 10 (300)	3.6·10 ⁴	292	2%
124-TMB	69	31	13 (145); 10 (245); 5 (345)	3.8·10 ⁴	292	2%
124-TMB	69	34	18 (150); 6 (265); 13 (390)	5.7·10 ⁴	292	2%
124-TMB	69	60	-	100 ^b	292	2%

^a The following format is used: HONO injection in ppbv (time since the beginning of the experiment in min).

^b No seed was injected in the two experiments.

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Table S2: Estimated NH₄⁺ CIMS sensitivity factors for species detected in toluene experiments.

Compound	<i>m/z</i>	KE _{cm 50} , eV	Sensitivity factor
C ₇ H ₇ NO ₃	171.077	0.166	0.69
C ₇ H ₈ O ₄	174.077	0.185	0.89
C ₇ H ₅ NO ₄	185.056	0.166	0.69
C ₇ H ₇ NO ₄	187.072	0.293	1
C ₇ H ₆ O ₅	188.056	0.192	0.97
C ₇ H ₈ O ₅	190.072	0.208	1
C ₇ H ₁₀ O ₅	192.087	0.192	0.97
C ₇ H ₅ NO ₅	201.051	0.175	0.79
C ₇ H ₆ O ₆	204.051	0.198	1
C ₇ H ₉ NO ₅	205.083	0.183	0.87
C ₇ H ₈ O ₆	206.067	0.197	1
C ₇ H ₁₀ O ₆	208.082	0.193	0.98
C ₇ H ₇ NO ₆	219.062	0.188	0.93
C ₇ H ₉ NO ₆	221.077	0.187	0.92
C ₇ H ₇ NO ₇	235.057	0.185	0.89

C ₇ H ₉ NO ₇	237.072	0.195	1
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Table S3: Estimated NH₄⁺ CIMS sensitivity factors for species detected in 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene experiments.

Compound	<i>m/z</i>	KE _{cm 50} , eV	Sensitivity factor
C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₄	200.092	0.236	1
C ₉ H ₁₂ O ₄	202.108	0.204	1
C ₉ H ₁₄ O ₄	204.124	0.184	0.89
C ₉ H ₁₁ NO ₄	215.103	0.217	1
C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₅	216.087	0.222	1
C ₉ H ₁₂ O ₅	218.103	0.225	1
C ₉ H ₁₄ O ₅	220.119	0.195	1
C ₉ H ₉ NO ₅	229.083	0.134	0.36
C ₉ H ₁₁ NO ₅	231.098	0.199	1
C ₉ H ₁₂ O ₆	234.098	0.207	1
C ₉ H ₁₄ O ₆	236.114	0.225	1
C ₉ H ₁₃ NO ₆	249.109	0.153	0.56
C ₉ H ₁₁ NO ₇	263.088	0.207	1
C ₉ H ₁₃ NO ₈	281.099	0.207	1

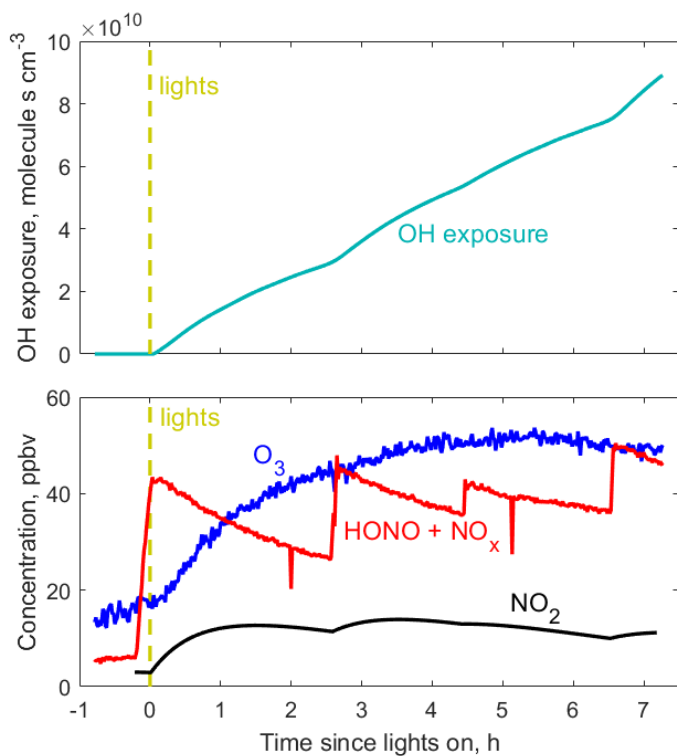


Figure S1: (a) OH exposure and (b) concentrations of O_3 , NO_2 , HONO+ NO_x for a typical photooxidation experiment.

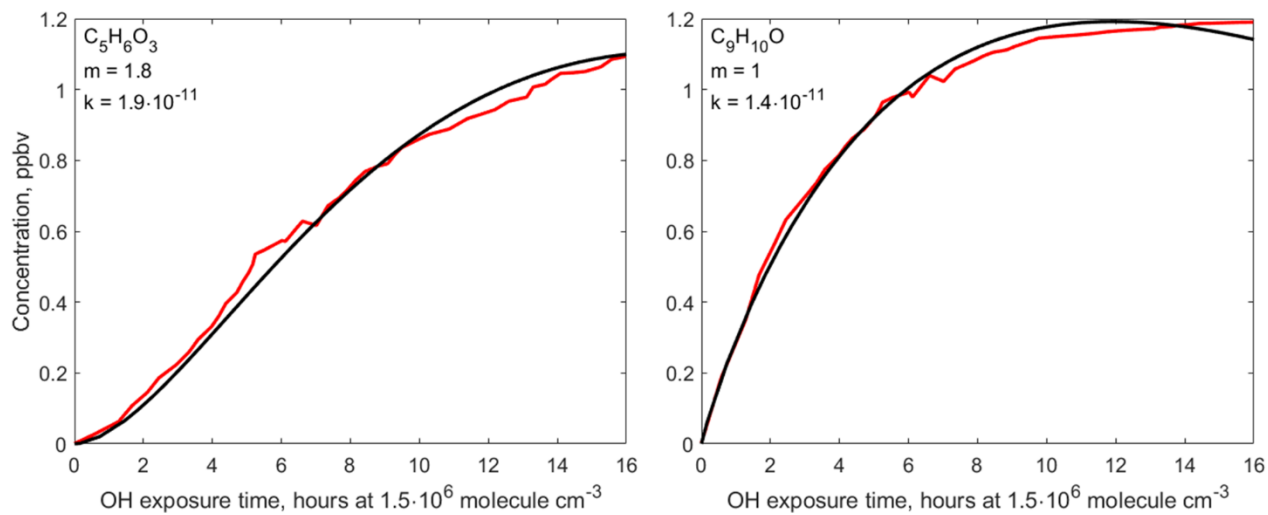


Figure S2: Species measured by NH_4^+ CIMS in 124-TMB photooxidation experiment (red) and kinetic best fit (black).

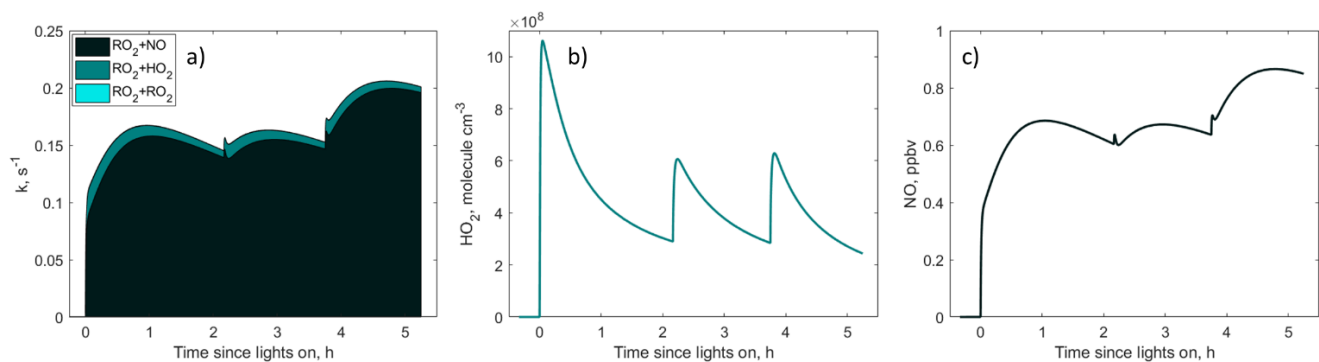
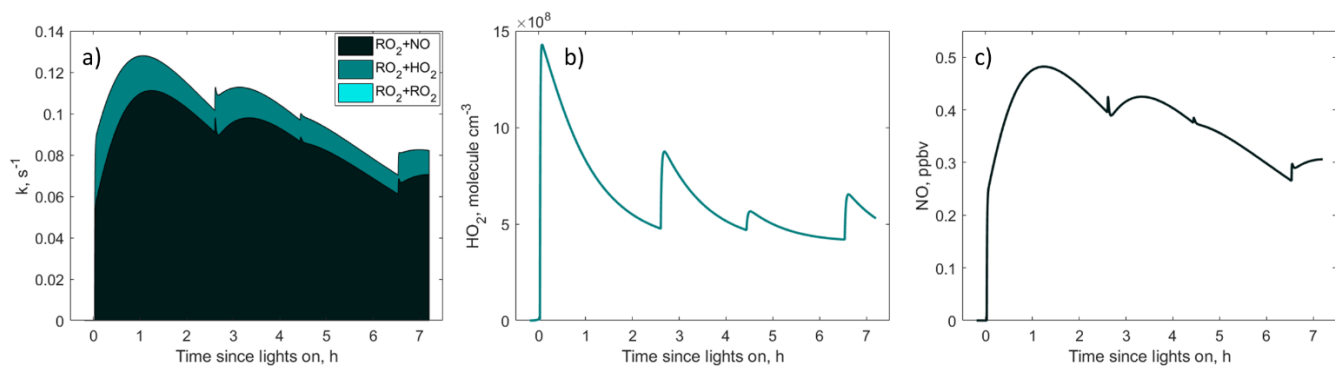


Figure S3: (a) Loss of bicyclic peroxy radicals calculated from the modelled concentrations of NO, HO₂, and RO₂; (b) and (c) modelled concentrations of NO and HO₂ during photooxidation of toluene.



5 Figure S4: (a) Loss of bicyclic peroxy radicals calculated from the modelled concentrations of NO, HO₂, and RO₂; (b) and (c) modelled concentrations of HO₂ and NO during photooxidation of 124-TMB.

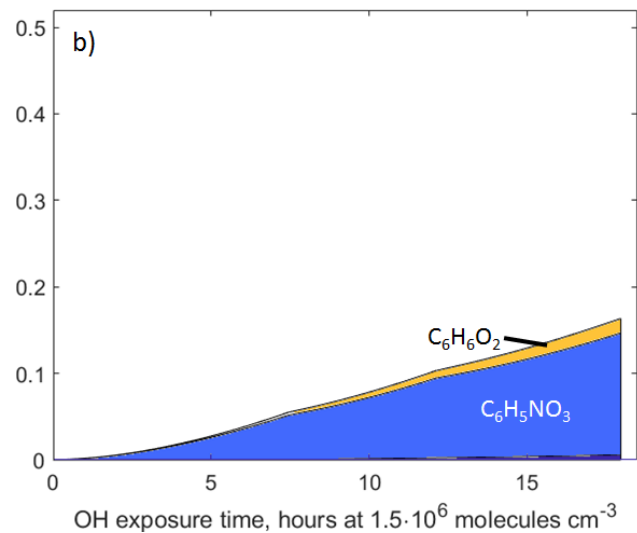
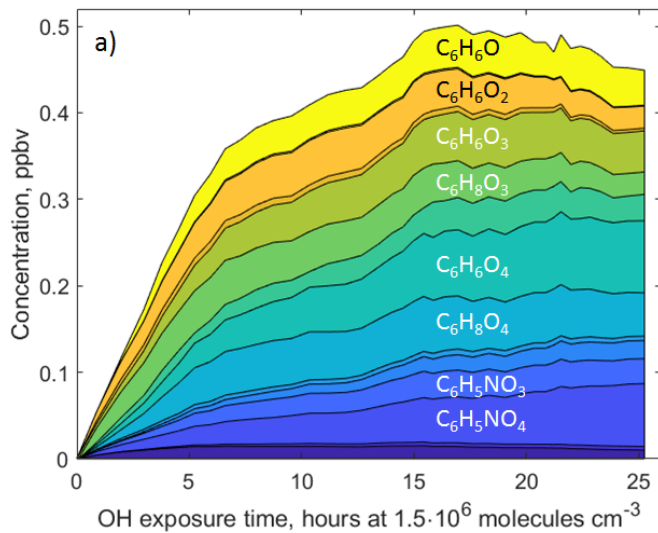


Figure S5: C₆ gas-phase products (a) detected by PTR-MS and NH₄⁺ CIMS and (b) predicted by MCM v3.3.1 during oxidation of toluene.

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