

## Supplement of:

# Measurement report: Observation-based formaldehyde production rates and their relation to OH reactivity around the Arabian Peninsula

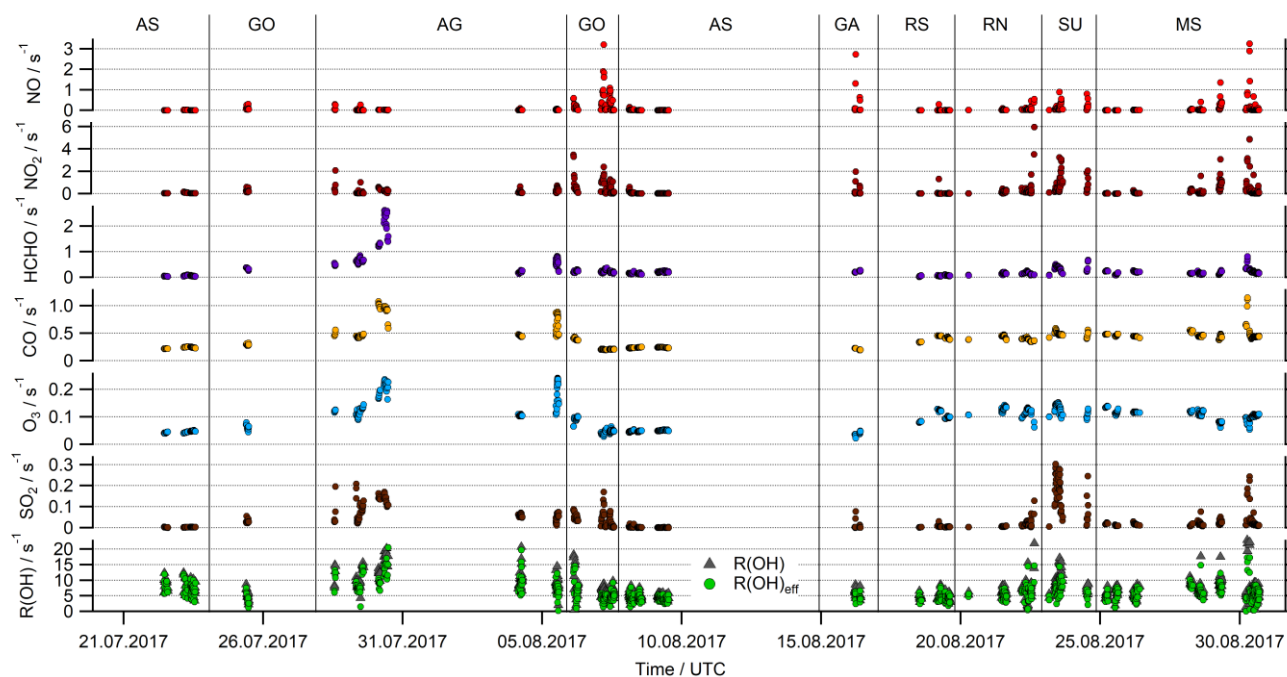
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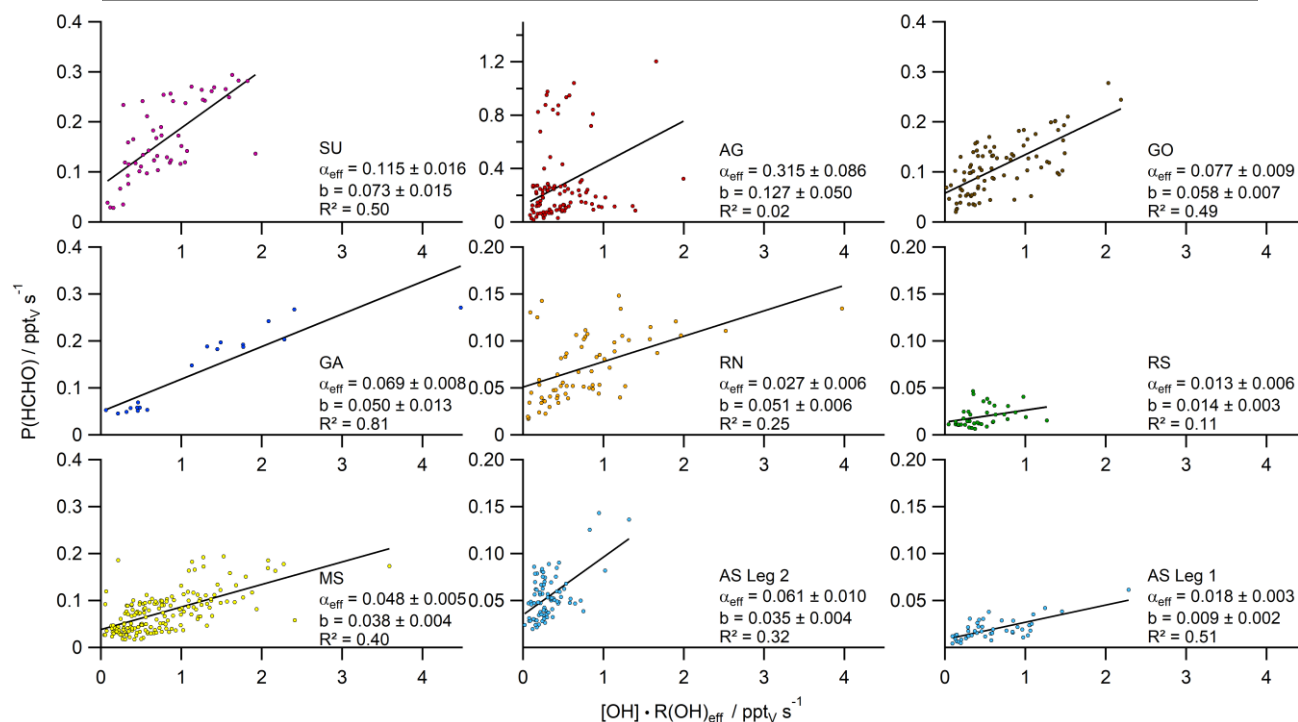
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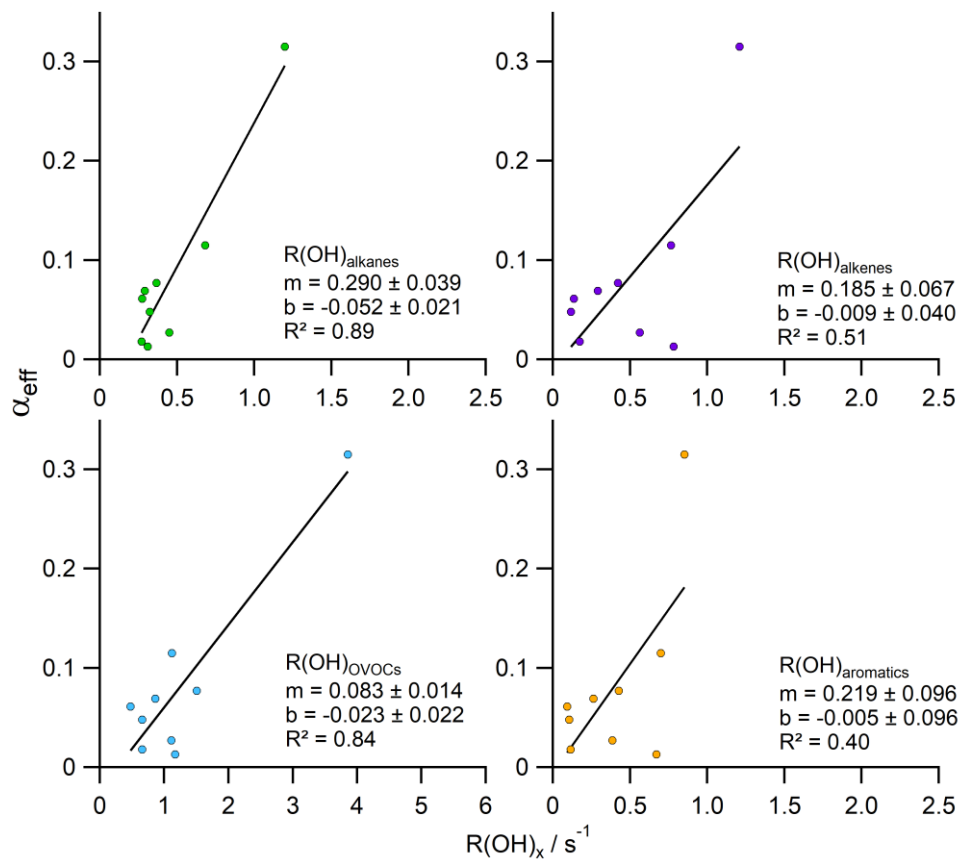
15 **Figure S1: Timelines of the contribution of inorganic compounds (NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>) and further reactants (CO, HCHO) to total R(OH). Subtraction of the non-HCHO yielding reactants from R(OH) yielded the effective OH reactivity R(OH)<sub>eff</sub>.**

**Table S1: Trace gases used for calculating the effective OH reactivity ( $R(OH)_{eff}$ ) with IUPAC preferred values for their reaction constants.**

Compound	$K_{M+OH}$ [ $cm^3$ molecules $^{-1}s^{-1}$ ]	Max. OH reactivity during AQABA (Pfannerstill et al. 2019)
NO	9.70E-12	29.3
NO <sub>2</sub>	9.80E-12	6.94
O <sub>3</sub>	7.30E-14	0.26
SO <sub>2</sub>	9.30E-13	0.33
CO	1.44E-13	1.16
HCHO	8.50E-12	2.33



**Figure S2:** Scatter plots with bivariate fits (York et al., 2004) of the product  $[OH] \times R(OH)_{eff}$  versus the HCHO production rate, subdivided into the different regions probed during the AQABA cruise. The HCHO yield  $\alpha_{eff}$  is the slope of the respective regression, while the intercept represents additional HCHO sources not related to OH chemistry ( $P_{add}(HCHO)$ ).



**Figure S3:** Scatter plots of the HCHO yield  $\alpha_{eff}$  (calculated with  $R(OH)_{eff}$  via Eq. 1) as a function of the separated OH reactivity ( $R(OH)_x$ ) towards different VOC families (aromatics, alkanes, alkenes, and oxidized volatile organic compounds).