### **Supporting Material**

# Chemical composition of secondary organic aerosol particles formed from mixtures of anthropogenic and biogenic precursors

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## Section 1: Supplementary figures

Figure S1: General Mass spectra m/z vs retention time with normalized signal intensity as colour) for compounds detected in Negative ionization mode for single and mixture experiment.



Figure S2: General Mass spectra m/z vs retention time with normalized signal intensity as colour) for compounds detected in Positive ionization mode for single and mixture experiment



Figure S3:The fragmentation spectra for  $C_9H_{14}O_4$  in binary  $\alpha$ -pinene/isoprene system.

#### **Section 2: Supplementary Tables**

The product ions of deprotonated species of  $C_7H_7NO_4$  and  $C_7H_7NO_3$  in single o-cresol system, binary  $\alpha$ -pinene/o-cresol and Isoprene/o-cresol system will be discussed here in order to illustrate the methodology to assign SOA compound structure. For all of the  $C_7H_7NO_4$  isomer, the fragment ion at m/z 138 due to neutral loss of NO group by odd electron cleavage that often happen in ring structures with nitrogen containing group (Hayen et al., 2002; Fu et al., 2006; Pereira et al., 2015).  $C_7H_7NO_4$  (i) and (III) also has the combine loss of NO and hydrogen radical (m/z=137), while the 109 m/z fragment corresponding to the combined loss of NO and CO from the deprotonated  $C_7H_7NO_4$ . For the  $C_7H_7NO_3$  compound, the fragment ion m/z=122 has formed as a result of loss of NO from m/z 152, the loss of combined loss of CH and NO leading to formation of 109 m/z fragment. These fragmentation ions of deprotonated molecules suggested that the  $C_7H_7NO_4$  are the methyl-nitrocatechol and the  $C_7H_7NO_3$  is methyl-nitrophenol(Kitanovski et al., 2012).

	Formula	Retention Time (min)				Suspected
Precursors			[M-H] <sup>-</sup>	Fragment ion	Loss	Fragment
System				[m/z]	[Da]	ion
	1					MF
o-cresol	C7H7NO4 (i)	4.46	168	166	2	$C_7H_5NO_4$
				138	30	$C_7H_6O_3$
				122	46	$C_7H_6O_2$
				108	60	$C_6H_4O_2$
	C7H7NO4(ii)	7.40	168	138	30	$C_7H_6O_3$
				137	31	$C_7H_5O_3$
				122	46	$C_7H_6O_2$
				109	59	$C_6H_5O_2$
	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>7</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> (iii)	8.93	168	138	30	$C_7H_6O_3$
				137	31	$C_7H_5O_3$
				109	59	$C_6H_5O_2$
α-pinene/o- cresol	C7H7NO4 (i)	4.52	168	166	2	$C_7H_5NO_4$
				138	30	$C_7H_6O_3$
				108	60	$C_6H_4O_2$
	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>7</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> (ii)	7.53	168	138	30	$C_7H_6O_3$
				137	31	$C_7H_5O_3$
				109	59	$C_6H_5O_2$
	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>7</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> (iii)	9.08	168	138	30	$C_7H_6O_3$
				137	31	$C_7H_5O_3$
				109	59	$C_6H_5O_2$
	C7H7NO3	10.19	152	122	30	$C_7H_6O_2$
				121	31	$C_7H_5O_2$
				109	43	$C_6H_5O_2$
	C7H7NO4 (i) C7H7NO4 (ii) C7H7NO4 (iii)	4.52 7.53 9.14	168 168 168	166	2	$C_7H_5NO_4$
				138	30	$C_7H_6O_3$
				137	31	$C_7H_5O_3$
Isoprene/o-				108	60	$C_6H_4O_2$
cresol				138	30	$C_7H_6O_3$
				137	31	$C_7H_5O_3$
				109	59	$C_6H_5O_2$
				138	30	$C_7H_6O_3$
				137	31	$C_7H_5O_3$
				109	59	$C_6H_5O_2$
	C7H7NO3	10.20	152	122	30	$C_7H_6O_2$
				121	31	$C_7H_5O_2$
				109	43	$C_6H_5O_2$

Table S1: Deprotonated molecular species for  $C_7H_7NO_4$  isomers and  $C_7H_7NO_3$ , obtained from the use of the Orbitrap\_LCMS in binary  $\alpha$ -pinene/o-cresol and Isoprene/o-cresol system respectively.

Table S1: The total normalized peak area and normalized mass concentration attributed to nC>21 molecules that were found in all repeat experiments in selected system. The normalized peak area of nC>21 molecules obtained from the both ionization mode in orbitrap-LCMS, and the particulate mass concentration of each system obtained from HR-TOF-AMS measurement. The normalized mass concentration equals the particulate mass concentration multiply the normalized peak area of nC>21 molecules.

		Negative ion	ization mode	Positive ionization mode		
Particulate mass concentration at the end of experiment(ug/m <sup>3</sup> )		Normalized Peak Area of nC >21 molecules	Normalized mass concentration of nC >21 molecules(ug/m <sup>3</sup> )	Normalized Peak Area of nC >21 molecules	Normalized mass concentration of nC >21 molecules(ug/m <sup>3</sup> )	
a) α-pinene	361	0.008	3.01	0.003	1.34	
b) Isoprene	0.4	0.007	0.002	0.040	0.016	
d) α-pinene/isopren	<b>e</b> 102	0.011	1.15	0.002	0.24	
e) α-pinene/o-creso	<b>1</b> 150	0.004	0.73	0.019	2.85	
f) Isoprene/o-creso	l 22	0.0006	0.013	0.006	0.14	
g) Ternary	85	0.002	0.16	0.012	1.10	



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