

**INVESTIGATION OF THE ATMOSPHERIC OZONE  
FORMATION POTENTIAL OF SELECTED DIBASIC ESTERS**

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## ABSTRACT

An experimental and computer modeling study was carried out to estimate the atmospheric ozone formation potentials of the dibasic esters dimethyl succinate [ $\text{CH}_3\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ , DBE-4], dimethyl glutarate [ $\text{CH}_3\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ , DBE-5], and dimethyl adipate [ $\text{CH}_3\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ , DBE-6]. The rate constants for their reactions with OH radicals at 298 K were measured, using a relative rate method, to be  $(1.5 \pm 0.6)$ ,  $(3.5 \pm 1.1)$ , and  $(8.8 \pm 2.6) \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , for DBE-4, DBE-5 and DBE-6, respectively. These are relative to an OH + cyclohexane rate constant of  $7.49 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

A series of environmental chamber experiments were carried out to determine the effects of adding DBE-4 and DBE-5 on NO oxidation, ozone formation, and OH radical levels in simulated model photochemical smog systems. The experiments used two different  $\text{NO}_x$  levels and used two different surrogate mixtures to represent the reactive organic gases (ROGs) present in the atmosphere. Both DBEs caused reduced OH radical levels in all the experiments, caused reduced rates of NO oxidation and  $\text{O}_3$  formation in the experiments using the simpler ROG surrogate, but caused enhanced  $\text{O}_3$  formation in experiments using a more complex ROG surrogate which is representative of atmospheric conditions. Similar results are observed in experiments with the higher alkanes, with the radical inhibition in both cases being attributed to alkyl nitrate formation in the reactions of proxy radicals with NO.

Atmospheric reaction mechanisms for the DBEs were estimated by analogy with known atmospheric reactions of other compounds. They had a number of uncertainties, but the estimated DBE-4 and DBE-5 mechanisms were found to be consistent with the results of the chamber experiments if the overall alkyl nitrate yields of ~12% was assumed for DBE-4 and ~25% for DBE-5. These were respectively ~33% lower and about the same as expected based on nitrate yields for alkanes with the same number of carbons. Alternative mechanisms assuming formation of formaldehyde or highly photoreactive  $\alpha$ -dicarbonyl products were found not to be consistent with the chamber data.

The estimated and adjusted DBE mechanisms were then used to calculate ozone impacts of these compounds for a variety of atmospheric conditions. The predicted ozone impacts, relative to an equal mass of ethane were: ~0.65 - 0.8 for DBE-4; ~1 - 1.25 for DBE-5; and ~3 - 4.5 for DBE-6. These relative reactivities were only slightly affected by variations in scenario conditions or how ozone was quantified. The chamber data suggests that the model might be slightly overestimating the ozone impacts for DBE-4 and DBE-5 under lower  $\text{NO}_x$  conditions, with the estimated uncertainty being ~30%. The predictions for DBE-6 are more uncertain because no chamber data were obtained to test the assumed mechanism for this compound.

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## INTRODUCTION

Ozone in photochemical smog is formed from the gas-phase reactions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and oxides of nitrogen ( $\text{NO}_x$ ) in sunlight. Although Los Angeles has one of the worst ozone problems in the United States, other areas of the country also have episodes where ozone exceeds the federal air quality standard of 0.12 ppm. Ozone control strategies in the past have focused primarily on VOC controls, though the importance of  $\text{NO}_x$  control has become recognized in recent years. VOC and  $\text{NO}_x$  controls have differing effects on ozone formation.  $\text{NO}_x$  is required for ozone formation, and if the levels of  $\text{NO}_x$  are low compared to the levels of reactive VOCs, then changing VOC emissions will have relatively little effect on ozone. Since  $\text{NO}_x$  is removed from the atmosphere more rapidly than VOCs, ozone in areas far downwind from the primary sources tend to be more  $\text{NO}_x$  limited, and thus less responsive to VOC controls. VOC controls tend to reduce the rate that  $\text{O}_3$  is formed when  $\text{NO}_x$  is present, so VOC controls are the most beneficial in reducing  $\text{O}_3$  in the urban source areas, where  $\text{NO}_x$  is relatively plentiful, and where  $\text{O}_3$  yields are determined primarily by how rapidly it is being formed. Because of this, any comprehensive ozone control strategy should involve reduction of emissions of both  $\text{NO}_x$  and VOCs.

Many different types of VOC compounds are emitted into the atmosphere, each reacting at different rates and having different mechanisms for their reactions. Because of this, they can differ significantly in their effects on ozone formation, or their "reactivity". Some compounds, such as CFCs, do not react in the lower atmosphere at all, and thus make no contribution to ground-level ozone formation. Others, such as methane, react and contribute to ozone formation, but react so slowly that their practical effect on ozone formation in urban atmospheres is negligible. Obviously, it does not make sense to regulate such compounds as ozone precursors. In recognition of this, the EPA has exempted certain compounds from such regulations on the basis of having "negligible" effects on ozone formation. Although the EPA has no formal policy on what constitutes "negligible" reactivity, in practice it has used the ozone formation potential of ethane as the standard in this regard. This is because ethane is the most reactive of the compounds that the EPA has exempted to date. Therefore, the ozone formation potential of a compound relative to ethane is of particular interest when assessing whether it might be a likely candidate for exemption from regulation as an ozone precursor.

The dibasic esters, of which dimethyl succinate [ $\text{CH}_3\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ , DBE-4], dimethyl glutarate [ $\text{CH}_3\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ , DBE-5], and dimethyl adipate [ $\text{CH}_3\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ , DBE-6], are representative examples, are useful compounds which are of interest to the Dibasic Esters Group of the Synthetic Organic Chemicals Manufacturing Association (SOCMA). They are sufficiently volatile that their use might result in their being emitted into the atmosphere, and thus they



would be subject to regulation as a VOC ozone precursor unless they can be shown to have negligible ozone reactivity. The Dibasic Esters Group of SOCMA contracted with the Statewide Air Pollution Research Center (SAPRC) and the College of Engineering Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT) at the University of California at Riverside to carry out a program to assess this. This program involved measuring the rate constants for the atmospheric reactions of the three representative dibasic esters, estimating their likely atmospheric reaction mechanisms, carrying out environmental chamber experiments to directly measure the actual ozone impacts of two of these compounds, DBE-4 and DBE-5, using the results to establish which of the estimated mechanisms can actually predict their ozone impacts in the atmosphere, and then using the experimentally-validated mechanisms to obtain estimates of the ozone impacts of these compounds which could serve as a basis for regulatory decision making. This report describes the results of this program.

## EXPERIMENTAL AND DATA ANALYSIS METHODS

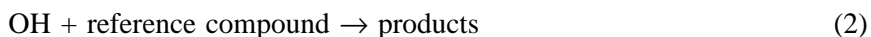
### Kinetic Studies

The major atmospheric sink for the dibasic esters is expected to be reaction with the OH radical. The experimental methods used to measure the OH radical rate constants for the selected dibasic esters were generally similar to those used in our previous study of the atmospheric chemistry of a series of carbamates and lactates (Kwok et al., 1996). Experiments were carried out in a 7900 liter all-Teflon chamber, equipped with two parallel banks of Sylvania F40/350BL blacklamps for irradiation, at  $298 \pm 3$  K and 740 Torr total pressure of purified air at ~5% relative humidity. The chamber is fitted with a Teflon-coated fan for rapid mixing of reactants during their introduction into the chamber.

Rate constants for the OH radical reactions were determined using a relative rate method in which the relative disappearance rates of the dibasic esters and a reference compound, whose OH radical reaction rate constant is reliably known, were measured in the presence of OH radicals. Providing that the dibasic esters and reference compound reacted only with OH radicals, then

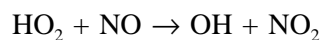
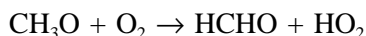
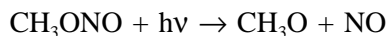
$$\ln \left\{ \frac{[\text{DBE}]_{t_0}}{[\text{DBE}]_t} \right\} = \frac{k_1}{k_2} \ln \left\{ \frac{[\text{reference compound}]_{t_0}}{[\text{reference compound}]_t} \right\} \quad (\text{I})$$

where  $[\text{DBE}]_{t_0}$  and  $[\text{reference compound}]_{t_0}$  are the concentrations of the dibasic ester and reference compound, respectively, at time  $t_0$ ,  $[\text{DBE}]_t$  and  $[\text{reference compound}]_t$  are the corresponding concentrations at time  $t$ , and  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  are the rate constants for reactions (1) and (2), respectively.



Hence plots of  $\ln([\text{DBE}]_{t_0}/[\text{DBE}]_t)$  against  $\ln([\text{reference compound}]_{t_0}/[\text{reference compound}]_t)$  should be straight lines with slope  $k_1/k_2$  and zero intercept.

OH radicals were generated by the photolysis of methyl nitrite ( $\text{CH}_3\text{ONO}$ ) in air at wavelengths greater than 300 nm (Atkinson et al., 1981).



NO was added to the reactant mixtures to suppress the formation of O<sub>3</sub>, and hence of NO<sub>3</sub> radicals (Atkinson et al., 1981). Cyclohexane was used as the reference compound, and the initial reactant concentrations (in molecule cm<sup>-3</sup> units) were: CH<sub>3</sub>ONO, 2.4 x 10<sup>14</sup>; NO, 2.4 x 10<sup>14</sup>; dibasic esters and cyclohexane, ~2.4 x 10<sup>13</sup> each. Irradiations were carried out at 20% of the maximum light intensity for 15-45 min (with this light intensity corresponding to an NO<sub>2</sub> photolysis rate of ~2 x 10<sup>-3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>).

The concentrations of the dibasic esters and cyclohexane were measured by gas chromatography with flame ionization detection (GC-FID) during the experiments. For the analysis of the dibasic esters, 100 cm<sup>3</sup> volume gas samples were collected from the chamber onto Tenax-TA solid adsorbent, with subsequent thermal desorption at ~225 C onto a 30 m DB-1701 megabore column held at 40° C and then temperature programmed to 200° C at 8° C min<sup>-1</sup>. For the analysis of cyclohexane, gas samples were collected from the chamber in 100 cm<sup>3</sup> all-glass, gas-tight syringes and transferred via a 1 cm<sup>3</sup> stainless steel loop and gas sampling valve onto a 30 m DB-5 megabore column held at -25° C and then temperature programmed at 8 °C min<sup>-1</sup>. Based on five independent sets of duplicate or triplicate analyses in the dark (prior to the irradiations), the maximum GC-FID measurement uncertainties for the three dibasic esters were in the ranges 0.2-2.9% for DBE-4, 0.9-5.7% for DBE-5 and 3.2-13.8% for DBE-6. The NO and initial NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations were measured using a Thermo Environmental Instruments, Inc., Model 42 chemiluminescent NO-NO<sub>x</sub> analyzer.

Photolysis of a dibasic ester - cyclohexane - air mixture (with the dibasic ester and cyclohexane concentrations being the same as in the OH radical reaction rate constant determinations, of ~2.4 x 10<sup>13</sup> molecule cm<sup>-3</sup> each) was also carried out at 20% of the maximum light intensity for 15-45 min to check that photolysis of the dibasic esters was not occurring under blacklamp irradiation.

The chemicals used, and their stated purities, were: cyclohexane (high-purity solvent grade), American Burdick and Jackson; dimethyl succinate [DBE-4] (98.4%), dimethyl glutarate [DBE-5] (99%), and dimethyl adipate [DBE-6] (98.7%), DuPont Nylon; and NO (≥99%), Liquid Carbonic. Methyl nitrite was prepared and stored as described previously (Atkinson et al., 1981).

## **Environmental Chamber Studies**

### **Overall Experimental Approach**

Most of the environmental chamber experiments for this program consisted of measurements of "incremental reactivities" of the dibasic esters under various conditions. These involve two types of irradiations of model photochemical smog mixtures. The first is a "base case" experiment where a mixture of reactive organic gases (ROGs) representing those present in polluted atmospheres (the "ROG surrogate") is irradiated in the presence of oxides of nitrogen (NO<sub>x</sub>) in air. The second is the "test" experiment which consists of repeating the base case irradiation except that the VOC whose reactivity is being assessed is

added. The differences between the results of these experiments provide a measure of the atmospheric impact of the test compound, and the difference relative to the amount added is a measure of its reactivity.

To provide data concerning the reactivities of the test compound under varying atmospheric conditions, three types of base case experiments were carried out:

1. Mini-Surrogate Experiments. This base case employed a simplified ROG surrogate and relatively low ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> ratios. Low ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> ratios represent "maximum incremental reactivity" (MIR) conditions, which are most sensitive to VOC effects. This is useful because it provides a sensitive test for the model, and also because it is most important that the model correctly predict a VOC's reactivity under conditions where the atmosphere is most sensitive to the VOCs. The ROG mini-surrogate mixture employed consisted of ethene, n-hexane, and m-xylene. This same surrogate was employed in our previous studies (Carter et al, 1993a,b; 1995a.), and was found to provide a more sensitive test of the mechanism than the more complex surrogates which more closely represent atmospheric conditions (Carter et al, 1995a). This high sensitivity to mechanistic differences makes the mini-surrogate experiments most useful for mechanism evaluation.

2. Full Surrogate Experiments. This base case employed a more complex ROG surrogate under somewhat higher, though still relatively low, ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> conditions. While less sensitive to the mechanism employed, experiments with a more representative ROG surrogate are needed to evaluate the mechanism under conditions that more closely resembling the atmosphere. The ROG surrogate employed was the same as the 8-component "lumped molecule" surrogate as employed in our previous study (Carter et al. 1995a), and consists of n-butane, n-octane, ethene, propene, trans-2-butene, toluene, m-xylene, and formaldehyde. Calculations have indicated that use of this 8-component mixture will give essentially the same results in incremental reactivity experiments as actual ambient mixtures (Carter et al. 1995a).

3. Full Surrogate, low NO<sub>x</sub> Experiments. This base case employing the same 8-component lumped molecule surrogate as the full surrogate experiments described above, except that lower NO<sub>x</sub> levels (higher ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> ratios) were employed to represent NO<sub>x</sub>-limited conditions. Such experiments are necessary to assess the ability of the model to properly simulate reactivities under conditions where NO<sub>x</sub> is low. The initial ROG and NO<sub>x</sub> reactant concentrations were comparable to those employed in our previous studies (Carter et al. 1995a).

An appropriate set of control and characterization experiments necessary for assuring data quality and characterizing the conditions of the runs for mechanism evaluation were also carried out. These are discussed where relevant in the results or modeling methods sections.

## **Environmental Chamber**

The environmental chamber system employed in this study was the CE-CERT dual-reactor Xenon Arc Teflon Chamber (CTC). This consists of two 4' x 4' x 8' FEP Teflon reaction bags located adjacent to each other at one end of an 8' x 12' room with reflective aluminum paneling on all surfaces. The two reactors are referred to as the two "sides" of the chamber (Side A and Side B) in the subsequent discussion. Four 6.5 KW xenon arc are lights were mounted on the wall opposite the reaction bags, all in a room with walls and ceiling covered with reflective aluminum paneling to maximize light intensity and homogeneity. The reaction bags were interconnected with two ports, each containing a fan to exchange the contents of the bags to assure that the common reactants were adequately mixed. This was important in order to evaluate the effect of adding a test compound to a standard mixture. Two separate fans were also employed to mix the contents within each chamber. As discussed elsewhere (Carter et al. 1995b,c), this light source gives the closest approximation available of the ground-level solar spectrum for an indoor chamber. The chamber was very similar to the Statewide Air Pollution Research Center's Xenon arc Teflon Chamber (SAPRC XTC) which is described in detail elsewhere (Carter et al. 1995b,c).

## **Experimental Procedures**

The reaction bags were flushed with dry air produced by an AADCO air purification system for 14 hours (6pm-8am) on the nights before experiments. The continuous monitors were connected prior to reactant injection and the data system began logging data from the continuous monitoring systems. The reactants were injected as described below (see also Carter et al, 1993a,, 1995b). The common reactants were injected in both sides simultaneously using a three-way (one inlet and two outlets connected to side A and B respectively) bulb of 2 liters in the injection line and were well mixed before the chamber was divided. The contents of each side were blown into the other using two box fans located between them. Mixing fans were used to mix the reactants in the chamber during the injection period, but these were turned off prior to the irradiation. The sides were then separated by closing the ports which connected them, after turning all the fans off to allow their pressures to equalize. After that, reactants for specific sides (the test compound in the case of reactivity experiments) were injected and mixed. The lights are turned on after lowering a metal baffle between the lights and the reactors, and the lights are allowed to warm up for at least 30 minutes. Irradiation in the chamber is begun by raising the baffle between the lights and the reactors, and the irradiation proceeds for 6 hours. After the run, the contents of the chamber were emptied by allowing the bags to collapse, and then was flushed with purified air. The contents of the reactors were vented into a fume hood.

The procedures for injecting the various types of reactants were as follows. The NO and NO<sub>2</sub> were prepared for injection using a high vacuum rack. Known pressure of NO, measured with MKS Baratron capacitance manometers, were expanded into Pyrex bulbs with known volumes, which were then filled with nitrogen (for NO) or oxygen (for NO<sub>2</sub>). The contents of the bulbs were then flushed into the chamber with AADCO air. The gaseous reactants were prepared for injection either using a high vacuum

rack or a gas-tight syringes whose amounts were calculated. The gas reactants in a gas-tight syringe were usually diluted to 100-ml with nitrogen in a syringe. The volatile liquid reactants were injected, using a micro syringe, into a 1-liter Pyrex bulb equipped with stopcocks on each end and a port for the injection of the liquid. The port was then closed and one end of the bulb was attached to the injection port of the chamber and the other to a dry air source. The stopcocks were then opened, and the contents of the bulb were flushed into the chamber with a combination of dry air and heat gun for approximately 5 minutes. Formaldehyde was prepared in a vacuum rack system by heating paraformaldehyde in an evacuated bulb until the pressure corresponded to the desired amount of formaldehyde. The bulb was then closed and detached from the vacuum system and its contents were flushed into the chamber with dry air through the injection port.

Since DBE-4 and DBE-5 have relatively high boiling points, and may condense in cold spots using usual liquid injection, a heated injection system was employed. This was done by placing the desired quantity of DBE-4 or DBE-5 (typical 150  $\mu$ l) in a three-way glass tube which was surrounded with heat tape. The liquid DBE was placed into the tube through one of the ports, and tube was heated to around 200°C, and the evaporating DBE was flushed into chamber with purified dry air at 2 liters/minute for about 15 minutes.

### **Analytical Methods**

Ozone and nitrogen oxides ( $\text{NO}_x$ ) were continuously monitored using commercially available continuous analyzers with Teflon sample lines inserted directly into the chambers. The sampling lines from each side of the chamber were connected to solenoids which switched from side to side every 20 minutes, so the instruments alternately collected data from each side. Ozone was monitored using a Dasibi 1003AH UV photometric ozone analyzer and NO and total oxides of nitrogen (including  $\text{HNO}_3$  and organic nitrates) were monitored using a Teco Model 14B chemiluminescent NO/ $\text{NO}_x$  monitor. The output of these instruments, along with that from the temperature sensors and the and formaldehyde instrument, were attached to a computer data acquisition system, which recorded the data at 10 minutes intervals for ozone, NO and temperature, and at 20 minute intervals for formaldehyde, using 30 second averaging times. This yielded a sampling interval of 20 or 40 minutes for taking data from each side.

The  $\text{NO}_x$  and CO analyzers were calibrated with a certified NO and CO source and CSI gas-phase dilution system. It was done prior to chamber experiment for each run. The  $\text{NO}_2$  converter efficiency check was carried out in regular intervals. The ozone analyzer was calibrated against transfer standard ozone analyzer using transfer standard method in a interval of three months and was check with CSI ozone generator (set to 400 ppb) for each experiment to assure that the instrument worked properly. The details were discussed elsewhere (Carter et al, 1995b)

Organic reactants other than formaldehyde were measured by gas chromatography with FID and ECD detections as described elsewhere (Carter et al. 1993a; 1995b). GC samples were taken for analysis at intervals from 20 to 30 minutes either using 100 ml gas-tight glass syringes or by collecting the 100 ml sample from the chamber onto Tenax-GC solid adsorbent cartridge. These samples were taken from ports directly connected to the chamber after injection and before irradiation and at regular intervals after irradiation. The sampling method employed for injecting the sample onto the GC column depended on the volatility or "stickiness" of the compound. For analysis of the more volatile species, the contents of the syringe were flushed through a 2 ml or 3 ml stainless steel or 1/8' Teflon tube loop and subsequently injected onto the column by turning a gas sample valve.

The DBE-4 and DBE-5 were found to be too "sticky" to be satisfactorily sampled using the loop analysis method. Instead, samples for DBE analyses were taken by passing 100 ml of air from the chamber through a glass cartridge filled with Tenax-GC solid adsorbent. The tube was then placed in a specially modified GC injection port, which was then heated to 300°C to desorb the sample onto the GC column for analysis.

The calibrations for the GC analyses for most compounds were carried out by sampling from chambers or vessels of known volume into which known amounts of the reactants were injected, as described previously (Carter et al, 1995b).

### **Characterization Methods**

Three temperature thermocouples for each chamber were used to monitor the chamber temperature, two of which were located in the sampling line of continuous analyzers to monitor the temperature in each side. The third one was located in the outlet of the air conditioning system used to control the chamber temperature. The temperature in these experiment were typically 25-30° C.

The spectrum of the xenon arc light source was measured several (usually five) times during each experiment using a LiCor LI-1800 spectroradiometer. The absolute light intensity in this chamber was measured by "photostationary state" NO<sub>2</sub> actinometry experiments and by Cl<sub>2</sub> actinometry. The photostationary state experiments (which were carried out prior to the period of the experiments for this report) consisted of simultaneous measurements of photostationary state concentrations of NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, and O<sub>3</sub> in otherwise pure air, with the NO<sub>2</sub> photolysis rate being calculated from the [NO][O<sub>3</sub>]/[NO<sub>2</sub>] ratio (Carter et al. 1997). The Cl<sub>2</sub> actinometry experiments consisted of photolyzing ~0.1 ppm of Cl<sub>2</sub> in ~1 ppm of n-butane, calculating the Cl<sub>2</sub> photolysis rate from the rate of consumption of n-butane, and then calculating the corresponding NO<sub>2</sub> photolysis rate from the absorption cross sections and quantum yields for NO<sub>2</sub> and Cl<sub>2</sub> (assuming unit quantum yields for Cl<sub>2</sub>) and the spectral distribution of the light source (Carter et al, 1997). The results of these two methods are generally in good agreement, and were used

to place the somewhat more precise data of the relative light intensity methods, discussed below, on an absolute basis (Carter et al, 1997).

Relative trends in light intensity with time are obtained using the quartz tube method of Zafonte et al. (1977), modified as discussed by Carter et al. (1995b; 1997), and from absolute intensities of spectra taken several times during each run using a Li-Cor LI-1800 spectroradiometer. Because the quartz tube during the actinometry experiments was located closer to the lights than the reaction bags, the NO<sub>2</sub> photolysis rates obtained using this method were corrected by multiplying them by a factor of 0.79 to make them consistent with the absolute values obtained using the steady state or Cl<sub>2</sub> actinometry methods (Carter et al, 1997). The LiCor data gave the most precise indication of the relative trend in light intensity, and NO<sub>2</sub> photolysis rates calculated using it (and NO<sub>2</sub> absorption cross sections and quantum yields) were used as the primary method for determining how the light intensity varied with time. These data indicated that the NO<sub>2</sub> photolysis rates declined slowly with time, with the data being fit by a curve giving an NO<sub>2</sub> photolysis rates of around 0.174 min<sup>-1</sup> during the period of this study.

The dilution of the CTC chamber due to sampling is expected to be small because the flexible reaction bags can collapse as samples are withdrawn for analysis. Also, the chamber was designed to operate under slightly positive pressure, so any small leaks would result in reducing the bag volume rather than diluting the contents of the chamber. Information concerning dilution in an experiment can be obtained from relative rates of decay of added VOCs which react with OH radicals with differing rate constants (Carter et al. 1993a; 1995b). Most experiments had a more reactive compounds such as m-xylene and n-octane present either as a reactant or added in trace amounts to monitor OH radical levels. Trace amounts (~0.1 ppm) of n-butane were also added to experiments if needed to provide a less reactive compound for monitoring dilution. In addition, specific dilution check experiments such as CO irradiations were carried out. Based on these results, the dilution rate was found to be negligible in this chamber during this period, being less than 0.3% per hour in all runs, and usually less than 0.1% per hour.

### **Reactivity Data Analysis Methods**

As indicated above, most of the experiments for this program consisted of simultaneous irradiation of a "base case" reactive organic gas (ROG) surrogate - NO<sub>x</sub> mixture in one of the dual reaction chambers, together with an irradiation, in the other reactor, of the same mixture with added. The results are analyzed to yield two measures of VOC reactivity: the effect of the added VOC on the amount of NO reacted plus the amount of ozone formed, and integrated OH radical levels. These are discussed in more detail below.

The first measure of reactivity is the effect of the VOC on the change in the quantity [O<sub>3</sub>]-[NO], or ([O<sub>3</sub>]<sub>t</sub>-[NO]<sub>t</sub>)-([O<sub>3</sub>]<sub>0</sub>-[NO]<sub>0</sub>), which is abbreviated as d(O<sub>3</sub>-NO) in the subsequent discussion. As discussed elsewhere (e.g., Johnson, 1983; Carter and Atkinson, 1987; Carter and Lurmann, 1990, 1991, Carter et al, 1993a, 1995a,d), this gives a direct measure of the amount of conversion of NO to NO<sub>2</sub> by



peroxy radicals formed in the photooxidation reactions, which is the process that is directly responsible for ozone formation in the atmosphere. (Johnson calls it "smog produced" or "SP".) The incremental reactivity of the VOC relative to this quantity, which is calculated for each hour of the experiment, is given by

$$\text{IR}[\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})]_t^{\text{VOC}} = \frac{\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})_t^{\text{test}} - \text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})_t^{\text{base}}}{[\text{VOC}]_0} \quad (\text{I})$$

where  $\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})_t^{\text{test}}$  is the  $\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  measured at time  $t$  from the experiment where the test VOC was added,  $\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})_t^{\text{base}}$  is the corresponding value from the corresponding base case run, and  $[\text{VOC}]_0$  is the amount of test VOC added. An estimated uncertainty for  $\text{IR}[\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})]$  is derived based on assuming an ~3% uncertainty or imprecision in the measured  $\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  values. This is consistent with the results of the side equivalency test, where equivalent base case mixtures are irradiated on each side of the chamber.

Note that reactivity relative to  $\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  is essentially the same as reactivity relative to  $\text{O}_3$  in experiments where  $\text{O}_3$  levels are high, because under such conditions  $[\text{NO}]_t^{\text{base}} \approx [\text{NO}]_t^{\text{test}} \approx 0$ , so a change  $\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  caused by the test compound is due to the change in  $\text{O}_3$  alone. However,  $\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  reactivity has the advantage that it provides a useful measure of the effect of the VOC on processes responsible for  $\text{O}_3$  formation even in experiments where  $\text{O}_3$  formation is suppressed by relatively high NO levels.

The second measure of reactivity is the effect of the VOC on integrated hydroxyl (OH) radical concentrations in the experiment, which is abbreviated as "IntOH" in the subsequent discussion. This is an important factor affecting reactivity because radical levels affect how rapidly all VOCs present, including the base ROG components, react to form ozone. If a compound is present in the experiment which reacts primarily with OH radicals, then the IntOH at time  $t$  can be estimated from

$$\text{IntOH}_t = \int_0^t [\text{OH}]_\tau \, d\tau = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{[\text{tracer}]_0}{[\text{tracer}]_t}\right) - D t}{k\text{OH}^{\text{tracer}}}, \quad (\text{II})$$

where  $[\text{tracer}]_0$  and  $[\text{tracer}]_t$  are the initial and time= $t$  concentrations of the tracer compound,  $k\text{OH}^{\text{tracer}}$  its OH rate constant, and  $D$  is the dilution rate in the experiments. The latter was found to be small and was neglected in our analysis. The concentration of tracer at each hourly interval was determined by linear interpolation of the experimentally measured values. *m*-Xylene was used as the OH tracer in these experiments because it is a surrogate component present in all experiments, its OH rate constant is known (the value used was  $2.36 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  [Atkinson, 1989]), and it reacts relatively rapidly.

The effect of the VOC on OH radicals can thus be measured by its IntOH incremental reactivity, which is defined as

$$\text{IR}[\text{IntOH}]_t = \frac{\text{IntOH}_t^{\text{test}} - \text{IntOH}_t^{\text{base}}}{[\text{VOC}]_0} \quad (\text{III})$$

where  $\text{IntOH}_t^{\text{test}}$  and  $\text{IntOH}_t^{\text{base}}$  are the IntOH values measured at time  $t$  in the added VOC and the base case experiment, respectively. The results are reported in units of  $10^6$  min. The uncertainties in IntOH and IR[IntOH] are estimated based on assuming an ~2% imprecision in the measurements of the m-xylene concentrations. This is consistent with the observed precision of results of replicate analyses of this compound.

## CHEMICAL MECHANISMS AND MODELING METHODS

### Chemical Mechanism

#### General Atmospheric Photooxidation Mechanism

The chemical mechanism used in the environmental chamber and atmospheric model simulations in this study is given in Appendix A to this report. This mechanism is based on that documented by Carter (1990), with a number of updates as discussed below. It can explicitly represent a large number of different types of organic compounds, but it lumps together species reacting with similar rate constants and mechanisms in simulations of atmospheric mixtures, and it uses a condensed representation for many of the reactive organic products. The reactions of inorganics, CO, formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, peroxyacetyl nitrate, propionaldehyde, peroxypropionyl nitrate, glyoxal and its PAN analog, methylglyoxal and several other product compounds are represented explicitly. In addition, the reactions of unknown photoreactive products formed in the reactions of aromatic hydrocarbons are represented by model species whose yields and photolysis parameters are adjusted based on fits of model simulations to environmental chamber experiments. A chemical operator approach is used to represent peroxy radical reactions, as discussed in detail by Carter (1990). Generalized reactions with variable rate constants and product yields are used to represent the primary emitted alkane, alkene, aromatic and other VOCs, with rate constants and product yields appropriate for the individual compounds being represented in each simulation). The tables in the Appendix list only those VOCs (or groups of VOCs) used in the simulations in this work. Most of the higher molecular weight oxygenated product species are represented using the "surrogate species" approach, where simpler molecules such as propionaldehyde or 2-butanone are used to represent the reactions of higher molecular weight analogues that are assumed to react similarly.

Several aspects of the Carter (1990) mechanism were updated prior to this work to account for new kinetic and mechanistic information for certain classes of compounds as described by Carter et al. (1993b) and Carter (1995), and further modifications were made to the uncertain portions of the mechanisms for the aromatic hydrocarbons to satisfactorily simulate results of experiments carried out using differing light sources (Carter et al. 1997). The latest version of the general mechanism is discussed by Carter et al. 1997).

#### Estimated Atmospheric Reactions of the Dibasic Esters

These dibasic esters are expected to react in the atmosphere primarily with OH radicals. Data in Calvert and Pitts (1966) indicate that esters do not absorb light to a significant extent in the wavelength region important in the lower atmosphere, nor was there any indication of significant loss by photolysis is the kinetic data obtained in this study. Since ozone does not react to a significant extent with aldehydes and ketones (Atkinson and Carter, 1984), one would not expect ozone reaction with esters to be important.

There are no data concerning the reactions of esters with NO<sub>3</sub> radicals, though, based on data for other compound and group-additivity methods, one would not expect the reactions to be rapid (Atkinson, 1991).

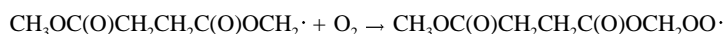
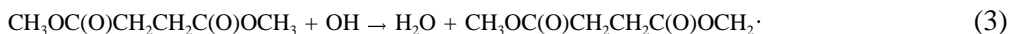
The rate constants for the OH radical reactions with the three dibasic esters considered here were measured in this work to be (1.5±0.6), (3.5±1.1) and (8.8±2.6) x 10<sup>-12</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> molec<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for DBE-4, DBE-5, and DBE-6, respectively (see below). Since these are the only available data concerning these rate constants, these values were used in all the model simulations discussed in this report.

Reaction with OH radicals would involve H-abstraction from one of the two possible positions on DBE-4, or one of three possible positions for DBE-5 and DBE-6. Based on structure-reactivity estimates (Kwok and Atkinson, 1995), the total rate constant for reaction at a CH<sub>3</sub> group is estimated to be 4.4 x 10<sup>-13</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> molec<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> in each of these molecules, so this mode of initial reaction is estimated to occur ~30%, ~13%, and ~5% of the time for DBE-4, DBE-5 and DBE-6, respectively. The remaining 70% of the reaction for DBE-2 is at the α-CH<sub>2</sub> group, i.e., the group next to the carbonyl. If OH reaction at α-CH<sub>2</sub> this position occurs with the same rate constant (i.e., 1.1 x 10<sup>-12</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> molec<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) in the other dibasic esters as it does for DBE-4, then this reaction would be expected to occur respectively ~30% and ~12% of the time for DBE-5 and DBE-6. This means that reaction at the β-CH<sub>2</sub> group would occur ~57% and ~83% of the time for these two compounds.

Tables 1-3 give summaries of the sets of products expected to be formed following the reactions of OH radicals at the various positions of these dibasic esters. The assumed or alternative mechanisms used to derive these product distributions are discussed below. In the case of DBE-4, several alternative mechanisms are evaluated against the chamber data, and the products predicted by these alternatives are included in Table 1.

#### Reaction at the CH<sub>3</sub> Group in DBE-4

The initial reactions following OH attack on the methyl group on DBE-4 are expected to be:



The extent of alkyl nitrate formation via peroxy + NO reactions such as Reaction (5) will be discussed separately below. Based on reactions of analogous species (e.g., Atkinson, 1990, 1994, and references

Table 1. Summary of products and model species used in the alternative mechanisms for the atmospheric reactions of DBE-4.

Products	Model Species	Yields Assumed			
		Model A	Model B	Model C	Model D
<u>Alkyl Nitrate Formation [a]</u>					
-NO + Organic Nitrate	RO2-N.	0.12	0.14	0.28	0.10
<u>Propigation routes [b]</u>					
<u>Reaction at -CH<sub>3</sub> group (~30% assumed)</u>					
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)OH	MEK	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30
CO	CO	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30
<u>Reaction at -CH<sub>2</sub> group (~70% assumed)</u>					
<u>Assume reaction (17) (isomerization) dominates</u>					
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.70			
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> (secondary radicals)	R2O2.	0.70			
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> (OH)C(O)OH	MEK	0.70			
CO	CO	0.70			
<u>Assume reaction (15) (decomposition) dominates</u>					
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.		0.70		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> (secondary radicals)	R2O2.		0.70		
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CHO	RCHO		0.70		
HCHO	HCHO		0.70		
CO <sub>2</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub>		0.70		
<u>Assume reaction (14) (O<sub>2</sub> reaction) dominates</u>					
<u>Assume high reactivity α-keto ester</u>					
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.			0.70	
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)C(O)OCH <sub>3</sub>	BACL			0.70	
<u>Assume low reactivity α-keto ester</u>					
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R				0.70
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)C(O)OCH <sub>3</sub>	MEK				0.70

[a] The overall alkyl nitrate yields for the alternative mechanisms were derived to give best fits to the results of the mini-surrogate + DBE-4 experiments (see Results section.)

[b] The yields shown for the various propigation routes are relative to total propigation only, i.e., not counting nitrate formation. Therefore, the actual yields used in the model calculations (see Appendix A) are the tabulated yields x (1 - the overall nitrate yields).

Table 2. Summary of products and model species used in the assumed mechanism for the atmospheric reactions of DBE-5.

Products	Model Species	Yields Assumed
<u>Alkyl Nitrate Formation [a]</u>		
-NO + Organic Nitrate	RO2-N.	0.25
<u>Propigation routes [b]</u>		
<u>Reaction at -CH<sub>3</sub> group (~13% assumed)</u>		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.13
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)OH	MEK	0.13
CO	CO	0.13
<u>Reaction at α-CH<sub>2</sub> group (~30% Assumed)</u>		
Assume isomerization (Reaction 17 analogue) dominates		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.30
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> (secondary radicals)	R2O2.	0.30
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> (OH)C(O)OH	MEK	0.30
CO	CO	0.30
<u>Reaction at b-CH<sub>2</sub> group (~57% assumed)</u>		
<u>Reaction 26 (O<sub>2</sub> reaction) (~45% assumed)</u>		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.28
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)OCH <sub>3</sub>	MEK	0.28
<u>Reaction (27) (decomposition) (~55% assumed)</u>		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.34
-2 NO + 2 NO <sub>2</sub> (secondary radicals)	R2O2.	0.68
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CHO	RCHO	0.34
HOCH <sub>2</sub> C(O)OH	MEK	0.34
CO	CO	0.34

[a] The overall alkyl nitrate yield was derived to give best fits to the results of the mini-surrogate + DBE-5 experiments (see Results section.)

[b] The yields shown for the various propigation routes are relative to total propigation only, i.e., not counting nitrate formation. Therefore, the actual yields used in the model calculations (see Appendix A) are the tabulated yields x (1 - the overall nitrate yield).

Table 3. Summary of products and model species used in the assumed mechanism for the atmospheric reactions of DBE-6.

Products	Model Species	Yields Assumed
<u>Alkyl Nitrate Formation [a]</u>		
-NO + Organic Nitrate	RO2-N.	0.33
<u>Propagation routes [b]</u>		
<u>Reaction at -CH<sub>3</sub> group (~5% assumed)</u>		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.05
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)OH	MEK	0.05
CO	CO	0.05
<u>Reaction at α-CH<sub>2</sub> group (~12% Assumed)</u>		
<u>Reaction 22 (isomerization from CH<sub>3</sub>)</u>		
(~34% assumed)		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.04
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> (secondary radicals)	R2O2.	0.04
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> (OH)C(O)OH	MEK	0.04
CO	CO	0.04
<u>Reaction 23 (isomerization from CH<sub>2</sub>)</u>		
(~66% assumed). High reactivity α-keto ester assumed.		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.08
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> (secondary radicals)	R2O2.	0.08
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH(OH)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)C(O)OCH <sub>3</sub>	BACL	0.08
<u>Reaction at β-CH<sub>2</sub> group (~83% assumed)</u>		
<u>Reaction 32 (O<sub>2</sub> reaction) (~27% assumed)</u>		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.22
CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)OCH <sub>3</sub>	MEK	0.28
<u>Reaction 33 (decomposition) (~73% assumed)</u>		
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> + HO <sub>2</sub>	RO2-R.	0.61
-NO + NO <sub>2</sub> (secondary radicals)	R2O2.	0.61
2 CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CHO	RCHO	1.22

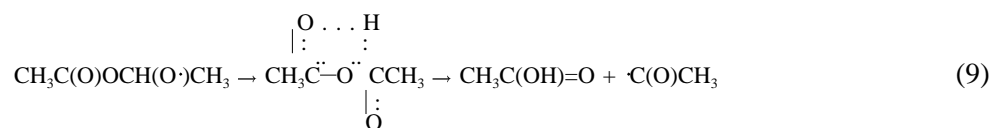
[a] The overall alkyl nitrate yield was derived as discussed in the text (see Results section.)

[b] The yields shown for the various propagation routes are relative to total propagation only, i.e., not counting nitrate formation. The actual yields used in the model calculations (see Appendix A) are the tabulated yields x (1 - the overall nitrate yield).

therein) the alkoxy radical formed in Reaction (4) can either react with O<sub>2</sub>, decompose, or undergo 1,4 hydrogen shift isomerization,



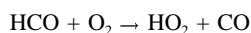
The current estimation methods (Carter and Atkinson, 1985; Atkinson, 1997) predict that 1,4-H shift isomerization (Reaction 8) will dominate. However, studies with ethyl acetate, where analogous to the above reactions are all possible, indicate that an alternative route, involving an internal shift of the  $\alpha$ -alkoxy H atom to the carbonyl group via a 5-member ring transition state,



apparently dominates over 1,4-H shift isomerization in the case of this compound (unpublished results from this laboratory). The evidence from this comes from the fact that (1) acetic acid is observed as a major product in the photooxidation of ethyl acetate, and (2) the ozone reactivity and PAN yield results in environmental chamber experiments with ethyl acetate can only be simulated if the model assumes the photooxidation process involves significant formation of acetyl (CH<sub>3</sub>CO $\cdot$ ) radicals. Based on these results, it is reasonable to expect that the analogous reactions dominate in the DBE systems. In the case of DBE-4, the analogous reaction is,



followed by



Note, however, that this is somewhat uncertain, because the competing isomerization process (e.g., Reaction 7 for DBE-4), would be expected to be somewhat faster in the DBE system than for ethyl acetate, since in the DBE system isomerization involves abstraction from a weaker secondary C-H bond, while in the ethyl acetate system abstraction would be from a primary C-H bond in the CH<sub>3</sub> group. No information is currently available concerning the rate constants for these "ester re-arrangement" reactions (e.g., Reactions 9 or 10), but we tentatively assume that they are rapid and compete over dominating processes in systems where they are possible.

The products assumed to be formed in the reaction of OH radicals with the CH<sub>3</sub> group in DBE-4 are shown on Table 1. As discussed above, this involves the formation of CO and the acid monoester



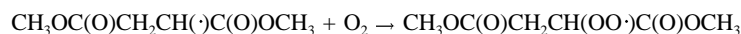
along with conversion of one molecule of NO to NO<sub>2</sub>, along with some consumption of NO to form an alkyl nitrate as discussed below.

### Reaction at the CH<sub>3</sub> Group in DBE-5 and DBE-6

The reactions following OH attack on the methyl groups of DBE-5 and DBE-6 are expected to be exactly analogous to those for DBE-4, except that the corresponding higher molecular weight monoester acid is formed. The specific sets of products are shown on Tables 2 and 3, respectively.

### Reaction at the α-CH<sub>2</sub> Group in DBE-4

The initial reactions following OH attack on the CH<sub>2</sub> group next to the carbonyl in DBE-4 would be expected to proceed as follows:

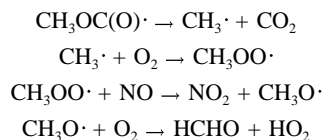


with the alkoxy radical again being able to react either with O<sub>2</sub> or by decomposition or isomerization:

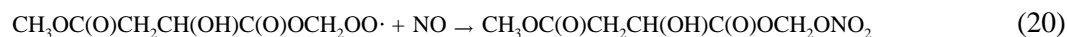
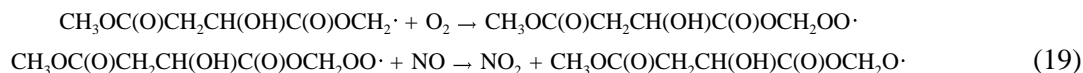


Based on the estimation methods of Carter and Atkinson (1985), as updated by Atkinson (1997), reaction with O<sub>2</sub> and decomposition (Reactions 14-16) are expected to be minor, and 1,4-H shift isomerization (Reaction 17) is expected to be the major process. However, this estimation method was based on data for alkanes and alkenes, and its applicability to radicals formed in ester systems is highly uncertain. The estimation that Reaction (16) is unimportant is probably not uncertain given the relatively high estimated endothermicity, but the uncertainties of the estimates for the other three reactions are such that none of them can be entirely ruled out. Therefore, all three possibilities are considered.

The radical formed in the decomposition via Reaction (15) is expected to rapidly decompose to CO<sub>2</sub> and methyl radicals, with the latter ultimately forming formaldehyde and HO<sub>2</sub> after an additional NO to NO<sub>2</sub> conversion.



The radical formed after isomerization (Reaction 17) is expected to form, after addition of O<sub>2</sub> and conversion of an additional NO to NO<sub>2</sub> conversion, an alkoxy radical analogous to that formed when OH reacts at the CH<sub>3</sub> group in the DBE, as well as possibly an additional alkyl nitrate formation:



Since this alkoxy radical can undergo the "ester rearrangement" which appears to dominate over competing processes in the ethyl acetate system, we assume that this rearrangement, or



dominates in this system as well. Note that the HCO· forms HO<sub>2</sub> and CO as shown above.

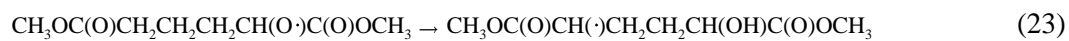
Table 1 gives the overall products predicted assuming the various alternatives concerning the relative importances of Reactions (14), (15), and (17). Model calculations were carried out using all three of these alternatives.

#### **Reaction at the α-CH<sub>2</sub> Group in DBE-5**

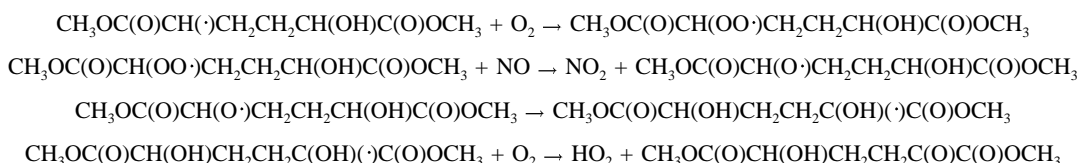
The reactions following OH attack on the α-CH<sub>2</sub> groups in DBE-5 and DBE-6 would also be expected to be similar to those discussed above for DBE-4. However, in the case of these compounds, we consider only the case where the isomerizations of the initially formed alkoxy radicals (analogues to Reaction 17) is the dominant process, as predicted by the application of the estimation methods of Atkinson (1997). This is based on the results of the model simulations of the DBE-4 experiments discussed later in this report. In the case of DBE-5, the assumed reactions are exactly analogous to Reactions (11-13, 17, 19-20), above, except that the higher analogue intermediates or product are involved. Table 2 gives the overall products and processes predicted to occur.

#### **Reaction at the α-CH<sub>2</sub> Group in DBE-6**

The initial reactions following OH attack on the α-CH<sub>2</sub> group in DBE-6 would also be expected to be similar to those discussed above for DBE-4 and DBE-5. The difference in this case is that the alkoxy radical has a two possible isomerization routes,



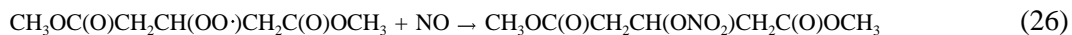
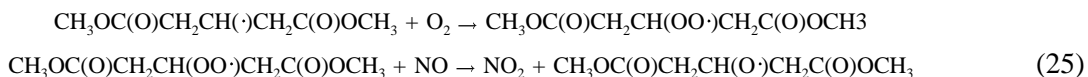
where Reaction (22) is analogous to those which can occur in the DBE-4 and DBE-5 systems (e.g., Reaction 17, above), but where Reaction (23) has no analogue for the lower DBE's. Based on application of an estimation method similar to that of Atkinson (1997), we estimate that Reaction (22) occurs ~34% of the time, with the remaining 66% being via Reaction (23). The subsequent reactions assumed for the radical formed following Reaction (22) are exactly analogous to those assumed for the radical formed in Reaction (17) in the DBE-4 system. The radical formed in Reaction (23) is expected to react as follows,



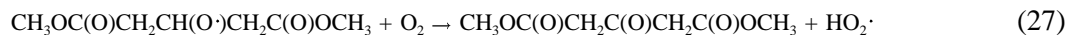
The overall products formed in these assumed reactions are summarized in Table 3.

#### Reaction at the $\beta$ -CH<sub>2</sub> Group in DBE-5

The initial reactions following OH attack on the  $\beta$ -CH<sub>2</sub> group in DBE-5 are expected to be:

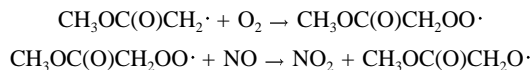


The alkoxy radical formed in Reaction (25) can react with O<sub>2</sub> or undergo decomposition, though it cannot undergo 1,4-H shift isomerizations analogous to those shown above.

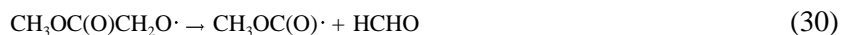
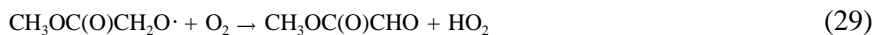


If the estimation methods developed by Atkinson (1997) to alkoxy radicals formed in alkane and alkene systems are applied, then Reactions (27) and (28) are estimated to occur ~45% and ~55% of the time, respectively. This estimation method is somewhat less uncertain in the case of this radical because the reacting center is somewhat isolated from the ester centers, but the rate constant ratio is probably still uncertain by at least a factor of two, and thus can be used as an adjustable parameter in the model simulations if necessary. However, the data did not justify such adjustments, so the initial estimates are used in the model simulations discussed in this work.

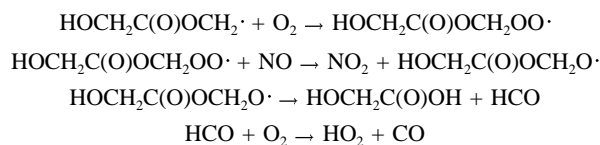
Table 2 shows the overall products and processes expected following Reactions (27) and (28). The products shown for the decomposition route is based on assuming that the radical formed in Reaction (28) reacts with O<sub>2</sub> and NO to form another alkoxy radical,



which can react with O<sub>2</sub>, decompose, or isomerize.



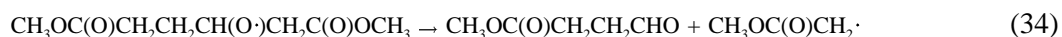
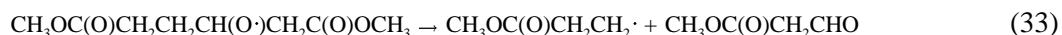
Decomposition via Reaction (30) is estimated to be too endothermic for this reaction to be important, and the estimation method developed by Atkinson (1997) for alkanes and alkenes predicts that isomerization (Reaction 31) would dominate over O<sub>2</sub> reaction (Reaction 29). Although the applicability of this estimation method to this system is uncertain (see above), the modeling of the DBE-4 system, discussed in the Results section, tends to support this estimation. If this is assumed, then the subsequent reactions are as follows.



Note that an alkoxy radical which can undergo the "ester rearrangement" is predicted to be formed, and again this rearrangement is assumed to be the dominant reaction for this radical.

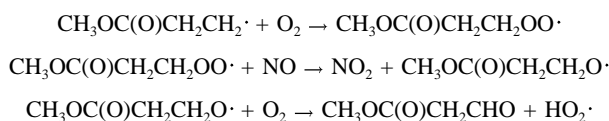
### Reaction at the β-CH<sub>2</sub> Group in DBE-6

The reactions immediately following OH attack on the β-CH<sub>2</sub> in DBE-6 are also expected to be analogous to those discussed above for DBE-5. However, in this case, the alkoxy radical formed can react as follows,

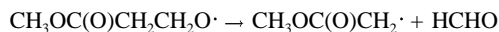


where again the radical cannot undergo isomerization. Note that in this case there are two possible decompositions instead of one (because of the less symmetrical nature of the molecule), and also the

estimated rates of these decompositions are somewhat different. The application of the estimation method of Atkinson (1997) to this system predicts that the relative importances of the O<sub>2</sub> reaction (Reaction 32) and the two decomposition pathways (Reactions 33 and 34) are 26%, 70%, and 4%, respectively. For modeling purposes, we neglect the minor pathway (Reaction 35), and assume that the relative importances of Reactions 32 and 33 are respectively 73% and 27%, respectively. The expected reactions for the radical formed in Reaction (33) are,



with the competing decomposition,



being predicted to be of negligible importance. Table 6 gives the overall products predicted by these reactions.

### Organic Nitrate Formation

Organic nitrate formation via processes such as Reactions 5, 13, 20, and 26 above, also needs to be considered because they are radical and NO<sub>x</sub> terminating processes, which, if sufficiently rapid, can significantly affect predictions of ozone impacts. Alkyl nitrate formation is well characterized only for the n-alkanes (Carter and Atkinson, 1989a; Atkinson, 1997), where it has been found to become increasingly important as the size of the molecule increases, and to significantly affect atmospheric reactivities for compounds larger than n-butane (e.g., see Carter and Atkinson, 1989b; Carter, 1994). Some data for organic nitrate yields from branched alkanes are also available, suggesting that organic nitrate yields may be somewhat lower for primary and tertiary peroxy radicals than for the secondary peroxy radicals which dominate in the n-alkane photooxidation systems (Carter and Atkinson, 1989a, and references therein.) There are no quantitative direct measurements of nitrate yields from any of the peroxy radicals expected to be formed in photooxidations of compounds such as esters or ethers, but indirect estimates of overall nitrate yields can be obtained from model simulations of environmental chamber incremental reactivity experiments which are highly sensitive to this parameter (Carter et al, 1993a; Carter, 1995). Model simulations of experiments involving methyl t-butyl ether (Carter et al, 1993a) and several other compounds (unpublished results from this laboratory) suggest that nitrate yields from oxygenated compounds are probably less than those estimated for alkanes of the same molecular weight, but may be comparable to those for alkanes with the same number of carbons. Based on this, we would estimate overall nitrate yields of ~18%, ~27%, and ~36% for DBE-4, DBE-5 and DBE-6, respectively.

As discussed later in this report, the DBE-4 reactivity experiments are best fit assuming nitrate yields in the 10-14% range, depending on what other mechanistic assumptions are used. This is somewhat lower than the initially estimated yields of 18%. On the other hand, the DBE-5 experiments are reasonably well fit assuming nitrate yields of ~25%, only slightly lower than the initially estimated value of ~17%. Based on the DBE-5 results, we estimate that the nitrate yields for DBE-6 will be only slightly lower than the ~36% estimated based on the number of carbons. For atmospheric modeling purposes we use a nitrate yield of ~33% for DBE-6, which is derived based on assuming that the optimum/estimated nitrate yield ratio for DBE-6 is the same as that for DBE-5.

### **Representation of DBE and DBE Products in the Model**

As discussed above, the general chemical mechanism used in the model simulations in this report uses a condensed representation for the reactions of many of the organic products, and a chemical operator approach for representing the net effects of the peroxy radicals with  $\text{NO}_x$ ,  $\text{HO}_2$ , and other peroxy radicals (Carter, 1990). Tables 1-3 show the specific model species used to represent the various processes predicted to be involved in the DBE photooxidations, and the overall reactions used for the DBE species are given in Appendix A. The model species used for the products include the chemical operators "RO2-R.", "RO2-N.", and "R2O2.", where RO2-R. represents the net effect of peroxy radical reactions which, in the presence of  $\text{NO}_x$ , involve an NO to  $\text{NO}_2$  conversion followed by  $\text{HO}_2$  formation, RO2-N. represents the net effect of peroxy radicals which react with NO to form an alkyl nitrate (the latter being represented by the model species "RNO3"), and R2O2. represents the extra NO to  $\text{NO}_2$  conversions involved in multi-step mechanisms where additional peroxy radicals are formed, such as those involving alkoxy radical decompositions or isomerizations (Carter, 1990). The products CO,  $\text{CO}_2$ , and formaldehyde are represented explicitly. The model species "MEK" (methyl ethyl ketone) is used to represent higher ketones or other products which are less reactive than aldehydes and more reactive than acetone. This would include products such as the monoacid esters, non- $\alpha$ -dicarbonyl keto esters, and hydroxy keto esters and hydroxy acids as shown on Tables 1-3. This may be a highly approximate representation in some cases, but these low or moderate reactivity products make relatively little contribution to the overall reactivity of the system. The model species "RCHO" (propionaldehyde) is used to represent  $\text{C}_{3+}$  aldehydes, of which the  $\text{CH}_3\text{OCOCH}_2\text{CHO}$  formed in these DBE systems is an example. The reactions used for these model species are given in Appendix A.

The main uncertainty concerns the appropriate representation of  $\alpha$ -keto ester species such as the  $\text{CH}_3\text{OC(O)(CH}_2)_n\text{C(O)C(O)OCH}_3$  predicted to be formed following reaction at the  $\alpha$ - $\text{CH}_2$  group if the reaction of  $\text{O}_2$  with the alkoxy radical formed (e.g., Reaction 14 in the DBE-4 system) occurred. If these species are formed and photolyze as rapidly under atmospheric conditions as the simpler  $\alpha$ -dicarbonyls such as biacetyl, then they would significantly enhance the overall reactivities of the DBEs. However, esters photolyze at lower wavelengths than do ketones (Calvert and Pitts, 1966), suggesting that  $\alpha$ -keto esters may be less photoreactive than biacetyl. On the other hand, Calvert and Pitts (1966) report that  $\alpha$ -

keto esters undergo photodecomposition 3660 Å, which is a longer wavelength than where ketones and esters absorb, but which is consistent with what would be expected for  $\alpha$ -dicarbonyls such as biacetyl. Because of this, we consider it likely that the  $\alpha$ -keto esters are relatively photoreactive, though they may be less so than other  $\alpha$ -dicarbonyls. For model evaluation purposes, we consider two possibilities, which should bracket the overall uncertainty range: one where the  $\alpha$ -keto esters are assumed to photolyze with comparable reactivity as biacetyl and thus may be appropriately represented by the BACL (biacetyl) model species, and the second where they are assumed to have only low or moderate reactivity, and be appropriately represented by MEK. This is shown on Table 1.

## **Modeling Methods**

### **Environmental Chamber Simulations**

The ability of the chemical mechanisms to appropriately simulate the atmospheric impacts of DBE-4 and DBE-5 was evaluated by conducting model simulations of the environmental chamber experiments from this study. This requires including in the model appropriate representations of chamber-dependent effects such as wall reactions and characteristics of the light source. The methods used are based on those discussed in detail by Carter and Lurmann (1990, 1991), updated as discussed by Carter et al. (1995b,c; 1997). The photolysis rates were derived from results of  $\text{NO}_2$  actinometry experiments and measurements of the relative spectra of the light source. In the case of the xenon arc lights used in the CTC, the spectra were derived from those measured during the individual experiments, assuming continuous linear changes in relative intensity at the various wavelengths, as discussed by Carter et al. (1997). The thermal rate constants were calculated using the temperatures measured during the experiments, with the small variations in temperature with time during the experiment being taken into account. The computer programs and modeling methods employed are discussed in more detail elsewhere (Carter et al, 1995b). The specific values of the chamber-dependent parameters used in the model simulations of the experiments for this study are given in Table A-4 in Appendix A.

In the case of DBE-4, four alternative mechanisms were used in the environmental chamber simulations to see which of these alternatives were most consistent with the data. These are labeled Models "A" through "D", as indicated in Table 1. In addition, for each of these models, the overall alkyl nitrate yields (as shown on Table 1) were adjusted to give the best fit between experimental and calculated  $\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  and  $\text{IntOH}$  reactivities measured in the DBE-4 mini-surrogate reactivity experiments. The mini-surrogate experiments were used for this purpose because experiments and model simulations indicate that they are the most sensitive to this parameter of the three types of reactivity experiments which we carry out (Carter et al, 1995a). In the case of DBE-5, only a single alternative mechanism was employed, but again the overall nitrate yield (as shown on Table 2) was adjusted based on the model simulations of the mini-surrogate + DBE-5 experiments.

### **Atmospheric Reactivity Simulations**

To estimate its effects on ozone formation under conditions more representative of polluted urban atmospheres, incremental reactivities, defined as the change in  $O_3$  caused by adding small amounts of a compound to the emissions, were calculated for ethane, the three dibasic esters, and the mixture representing the VOCs emitted from all sources. The scenarios employed were those used by Carter (1994a) to develop various reactivity scales to quantify impacts of VOCs on ozone formation in various environments. These were based on a series of single-day EKMA box model scenarios (EPA, 1984) derived by the EPA to represent 39 different urban ozone exceedence areas around the United States (Baugues, 1990). It was found that  $NO_x$  levels are the most important factor affecting differences in relative ozone impacts among VOCs, and that the ranges of relative reactivities in the various scales can be reasonably well represented by ranges in relative reactivities in three "averaged conditions" scenarios representing three different  $NO_x$  conditions. These scenarios were derived by averaging the inputs to the 39 EPA scenarios, except for the  $NO_x$  emissions. In the "maximum reactivity" scenario, the  $NO_x$  inputs were adjusted such that the final  $O_3$  level is most sensitive to changes in VOC emissions; in the "maximum ozone" scenario the  $NO_x$  inputs were adjusted to yield the highest maximum  $O_3$  concentration; and in the "equal benefit" scenario the  $NO_x$  inputs were adjusted such that relative changes in VOC and  $NO_x$  emissions had equal effect on ozone formation. As discussed by Carter (1994a), there represent respectively the high, medium and low ranges of  $NO_x$  conditions which are of relevance when assessing VOC control strategies for reducing ozone.

The DBE mechanisms used in the atmospheric simulations were those which best fit the results of the chamber experiments, as discussed below. The mechanisms for the reactions of the other species were the same as employed in the chamber simulations, except that the reactions representing chamber effects were removed, and the reactions for the full variety of VOCs emitted into the scenarios (Carter, 1994a) were represented (see Appendix A). Most of the emitted VOCs (other than the test compound whose reactivity is being calculated) are not represented in the model explicitly, but are represented using lumped model species whose rate constants and product yield parameters are derived based on the mixture of compounds they represent. The rate constants and mechanistic parameters for the emitted species in the scenarios were the same as those used previously (Carter et al, 1993b), except for the aromatics, whose unknown photoreactive product yields were reoptimized in a manner analogous to that discussed above for toluene and m-xylene (Carter et al. 1997). The listings on Appendix A give the lumped model species used to represent the emissions into the scenarios, indicate the types of species each is used to represent, and give their rate constants and product yield parameters.



## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Kinetic Results

Irradiation of a dibasic esters - cyclohexane - air mixture at 20% of the maximum light intensity for 45 min resulted in a measured loss of <2% of any of the three dibasic esters. Photolysis of the dibasic esters was therefore negligible during the CH<sub>3</sub>ONO - NO - dibasic ester - cyclohexane - air irradiations used for the OH radical reaction rate constants determinations.

The data obtained from the CH<sub>3</sub>ONO - NO - dibasic ester - cyclohexane - air irradiations are plotted in accordance with Equation (I) in Figure 1. Reasonably good straight line plots are observed, and least-squares analyses of these data lead to the rate constant ratios given in Table 4. These rate constant ratios are placed on an absolute basis by use of a rate constant  $k_2$  for the reaction of the OH radical with cyclohexane at 298 K of  $7.49 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  ( $\pm 25\%$ ) (Atkinson, 1989, 1994), and the resulting rate constants  $k_1$  are also given in Table 1.

The rate constants estimated using the structure-reactivity approach of Kwok and Atkinson (1995), updated as discussed by Kwok et al. (1996), leads to calculated rate constants of  $1.15 \times 10^{-12}$ ,  $2.56 \times 10^{-12}$  and  $3.97 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  for DBE-4, DBE-5 and DBE-6, respectively. The rate constants calculated for DBE-4 and DBE-5 are in reasonable agreement with the measured values, but the calculated rate constant for DBE-6 is lower than the measured value by a factor of 2.2.

Apart from the formation of cyclohexanone and cyclohexyl nitrate from cyclohexane, the GC-FID analyses showed the formation of no other significant product peaks. Note, however that the formation of formaldehyde could not be ruled out because it is not detectable by GC-FID, and it is formed from methyl nitrite photolysis in any case.

### Environmental Chamber Results

#### Summary of Experiments

Table 5 gives a chronological listing of all the experiments carried out for this program. These consisted primarily of incremental reactivity experiments, whose conditions and selected results are summarized on Table 6. Control experiments were conducted to assure consistency with previous results, and side equivalency tests were conducted to assure that essentially equivalent results were obtained when equal mixtures were simultaneously irradiated in each of the dual reaction bags. Table 5 summarizes relevant results from these characterization and control runs.

Table 4. Results of rate constant measurements for the reactions of OH radicals with selected dibasic esters at  $298 \pm 3$  K and 740 Torr of air.

Dibasic Ester	$k(\text{DBE}) /$ $k(\text{cyclohexane})^a$	$10^{12} \times k(\text{DBE})$ $(\text{cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1})^b$
$\text{CH}_3\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ (DBE-4)	$0.195 \pm 0.057$	$1.5 \pm 0.6$
$\text{CH}_3\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ (DBE-5)	$0.464 \pm 0.084$	$3.5 \pm 1.1$
$\text{CH}_3\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ (DBE-6)	$1.17 \pm 0.18$	$8.8 \pm 2.6$

<sup>a</sup> Indicated errors are two least-squares standard deviations.

<sup>b</sup> Placed on an absolute basis by use of a rate constant for the reaction of the OH radical with cyclohexane at 298 K of  $k_2 = 7.49 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  ( $\pm 25\%$ ) (Atkinson, 1989, 1994). Indicated error limits include the estimated uncertainty in the cyclohexane rate constant.

The results of the characterization and control runs were generally as expected based on our previous experience with these and similar chambers in our laboratories (Carter et al. 1995b and references therein). Good side equivalency was observed when equivalent surrogate -  $\text{NO}_x$  (not shown on Table 5), propene -  $\text{NO}_x$ , CO -  $\text{NO}_x$ , or n-butane -  $\text{NO}_x$  mixtures were simultaneously irradiated in the dual reactors. The results of the CO -  $\text{NO}_x$  and n-butane -  $\text{NO}_x$  experiments, which are highly sensitive to the magnitude of the chamber radical source assumed in the model (see Table A-4 in Appendix A), were sufficiently well simulated by the model to indicate that the model was appropriately representing this effect for these runs. Most of the actinometry results agreed with the extrapolated values based on results of previous determinations, to within the variability of these determinations. The anomalously low  $\text{Cl}_2$  actinometry result in run CTC-190 was inconsistent with the result of the  $\text{NO}_2$  actinometry experiment carried out at the same time and with the results of other  $\text{Cl}_2$  actinometry experiments carried out during the period of the experiments for this program.

### Results of The Reactivity Experiments and Mechanism Evaluations

Summaries of the conditions and results of the incremental reactivity experiments are given on Table 6, and figures shown later in this section give time series plots for relevant measurements used for mechanism evaluation. These include concentrations of  $d(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  and m-xylene in the base case and test experiments, concentrations of the DBE in the test experiment, and the  $d(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  and IntOH incremental reactivities derived from the differences between the two sides. Results of model calculations, discussed below, are also shown in these figures.

Both DBE-4 and DBE-5 were observed to inhibit rates of NO oxidation and  $\text{O}_3$  formation in the mini-surrogate experiments, and to inhibit OH radical levels in all of the reactivity runs, though the inhibiting effect was greater for DBE-5 than for DBE-4. On the other hand, both DBEs had positive



Figure 1. Plots of Equation (I) for the gas-phase reactions of the OH radical with dimethyl succinate (DBE-4), dimethyl glutarate (DBE-5) and dimethyl adipate (DBE-6), with cyclohexane as the reference organic.

Table 5. Chronological listing of the environmental chamber experiments carried out for this program.

RunID	Date	Title	Comments
CTC174	11/22/96	Pure air irradiation	After 6 hours of irradiation, approximately 22 ppb O <sub>3</sub> formed on side A and 24 on side B. Results are within the normal range, and were consistent with the predictions of the chamber effects model.
CTC177	11/27/96	NO <sub>2</sub> and Chlorine Actinometry.	In-chamber NO <sub>2</sub> photolysis rates from the NO <sub>2</sub> /N <sub>2</sub> tube and the n-butane - Cl <sub>2</sub> method were calculated to be 0.185 and 0.174 min <sup>-1</sup> , respectively. These are in reasonably good agreement with other actinometry measurements in this chamber.
CTC189	12/23/96	n-Butane + NO <sub>x</sub>	Control run to measure the chamber radical source. NO consumption rate was slightly slower than predictions of the chamber model, but within the expected range.
CTC190	1/3/97	NO <sub>2</sub> and Chlorine Actinometry.	NO <sub>2</sub> photolysis rates from the NO <sub>2</sub> /N <sub>2</sub> tube and the n-butane - Cl <sub>2</sub> method were calculated to be 0.160 and 0.107 min <sup>-1</sup> , respectively. The latter is anomalously low, but the former is within the range observed in other actinometry experiments.
CTC191	1/7/97	Propene + NO <sub>x</sub>	Control run for comparison with other propene runs carried out in this and other chambers. Good side equivalency was observed. The ozone formation rate was slightly slower than predicted by the model, but within the expected range.
CTC197	1/21/97	Mini Surrogate + DBE-4	DBE-4 in Side B. See Table 6 and Figure 3.
CTC198	1/22/97	Full Surrogate + DBE-4	DBE-4 in Side A. See Table 6 and Figure 5.
CTC199	1/23/97	Low NO <sub>x</sub> full surrogate + DBE-4	DBE-4 in Side B. See Table 6 and Figure 6.
CTC200	1/24/97	CO + NO <sub>x</sub>	Control run to measure the chamber radical source. NO consumption rate well fit by predictions of the chamber model. CO data indicated that dilution was negligible.
CTC201	1/28/97	Mini Surrogate + DBE-5	DBE-5 in Side A. See Table 6 and Figure 10.

Table 5 (continued)

RunID	Date	Title	Comments
CTC202	1/30/97	Full Surrogate + DBE-4	DBE-4 in Side B. One of the lamps failed during the run. Also, the ozone monitor malfunctioned and there was no ozone data for most of the run. Run not usable.
CTC203	1/31/97	Propene + NOx	Control run for comparison with other propene runs carried out in this and other chambers. Good side equivalency was observed. The final ozone yield was slightly higher than predicted by the model, but within the expected range.
CTC204	2/4/97	Full Surrogate + DBE-5	DBE-5 in Side A. See Table 6 and Figure 11.
CTC205	2/5/97	Low NOx Full Surrogate + DBE-5	DBE-5 in Side B. See Table 6 and Figure 14.
CTC206	2/6/97	n-Butane + NOx	Control run to measure the chamber radical source. NO consumption rate was slightly slower than predictions of the chamber model, but within the expected range.
CTC207	2/7/97	NO <sub>2</sub> and Chlorine Actinometry.	In-chamber NO <sub>2</sub> photolysis rates from the NO <sub>2</sub> /N <sub>2</sub> tube and the n-butane - Cl <sub>2</sub> method were calculated to be 0.156 and 0.175 min <sup>-1</sup> , respectively. These are in reasonably good agreement with other actinometry measurements in this chamber.
CTC208	2/11/97	Full Surrogate + DBE-4	DBE-4 in Side A. See Table 6 and Figure 4.
CTC209	2/12/97	Mini Surrogate + DBE-5	DBE-5 in Side B. See Table 6 and Figure 9.
CTC210	2/13/97	Low NOx Full Surrogate + DBE-4	DBE-4 in Side A. See Table 6 and Figure 7.
CTC211	2/14/97	Mini Surrogate + DBE-4	DBE-4 in Side B. See Table 6 and Figure 2.
CTC212	2/20/97	Full Surrogate + DBE-5	DBE-5 in Side B. See Table 6 and Figure 12.
CTC213	3/28/97	n-Butane + NOx	Control run to measure the chamber radical source. NO consumption rate was slightly slower than predictions of the chamber model, but within the expected range.
CTC214	3/31/97	Low NOx Full Surrogate + DBE-5	DBE-5 in Side B. Lamp failed during run. Run not used.

Table 5 (continued)

RunID	Date	Title	Comments
CTC215	4/7/97	Low NOx Full Surrogate + DBE-5	DBE-5 in Side A. See Table 6 and Figure 13.
CTC218	4/10/97	NO <sub>2</sub> and Chlorine Actinometry.	In-chamber NO <sub>2</sub> photolysis rates from the NO <sub>2</sub> /N <sub>2</sub> tube and the n-butane - Cl <sub>2</sub> method were calculated to be 0.189 and 0.145 min <sup>-1</sup> , respectively. These are in the range of results of other actinometry measurements in this chamber.
CTC219	4/11/97	Propene + NOx	Control run for comparison with other propene runs carried out in this and other chambers. Good side equivalency was observed. The results are in the expected range and in good agreement with model predictions.
CTC224	4/21/97	CO + NOx	Control run to measure dilution and the chamber radical source. Results are consistent with predictions of chamber model. No measurable dilution observed.

effects on  $d(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  in both the high  $\text{NO}_x$  and the low  $\text{NO}_x$  full surrogate runs, indicating a significant effect of base ROG surrogate on the ozone reactivities of these compounds. This is similar to results observed in reactivity experiments with high molecular weight alkanes and other compounds whose atmospheric reactions tend to both inhibit radical levels and yet react to form radicals which cause direct ozone formation by converting NO to  $\text{NO}_2$  (Carter et al, 1995a). The radical inhibition effect causes the uniformly negative IntOH reactivities, and also causes the negative  $d(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  reactivities in the mini-surrogate experiments, which are highly sensitive to radical inhibition/initiation effects. Because the full surrogate contains radical initiating species such as formaldehyde (which forms radicals upon photolysis) and higher alkenes (which form radicals when reacting with  $\text{O}_3$ ), they tend to be less sensitive to radical initiation or inhibition effects of the test VOCs. Consequently, these runs are more sensitive to effects such as NO to  $\text{NO}_2$  conversions caused by the test VOCs' direct reactions (Carter et al, 1995a). In the case of these DBEs, the sensitivity to the inhibition effect becomes sufficiently reduced that the positive effects of the NO to  $\text{NO}_2$  conversions in the DBEs' reactions becomes more important, resulting in positive net  $d(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  incremental reactivities.

Table 6. Summary of conditions and selected results of the incremental reactivity experiments.

As with the alkanes (Cater et al, 1993a, 1995a,d) the radical inhibition effect for the DBEs is attributed to alkyl nitrate formation in the  $RO_2+NO$  reactions such as in Reactions 5, 13, 20, and 26 above. The greater level of inhibition observed for DBE-5 than for DBE-4 is consistent with the predicted higher nitrate yields for DBE-5, based on the larger size of the molecule. Note that the predicted polyfunctional organic nitrate products cannot be detected using the GC techniques employed in this study, so the occurrence of this process can only be inferred based on its apparent effect on  $d(O_3-NO)$  and IntOH levels.

Because the actual overall alkyl nitrate yields in the DBE photooxidation systems are unknown, the nitrate yields used for atmospheric reactivity estimation purposes were determined by adjusting them to fit the environmental chamber data. Since the mini-surrogate experiments are the most sensitive to the



Table 6. Summary of conditions and results of the incremental reactivity experiments.

Run	Initial Reactants (ppm)			t=6 d(O <sub>3</sub> -NO) (ppm)			t=6 IntOH (10 <sup>-6</sup> min)		
	NOx	Surg [a]	DBE	Base	Test	IR [b]	Base	Test	IR
<b>DBE-4</b>									
<b>Mini-Surrogate</b>									
CTC-211(B)	0.23	5.0	8.6	0.54	0.50	-0.005	19	8	-1.2
CTC-197(B)	0.27	5.1	16.5	0.57	0.51	-0.004	18	6	-0.7
<b>Full Surrogate - High NOx</b>									
CTC-208(A)	0.46	6.4	9.1	0.70	0.99	0.032	24	18	-0.6
CTC-198(A)	0.41	6.1	16.4	0.71	1.09	0.023	23	12	-0.7
<b>Full Surrogate - Low NOx</b>									
CTC-199(B)	0.16	5.8	8.4	0.44	0.56	0.014	21	12	-1.0
CTC-210(A)	0.17	6.0	13.3	0.44	0.60	0.011	21	10	-0.8
<b>DBE-5</b>									
<b>Mini-Surrogate</b>									
CTC-209(B)	0.27	5.0	4.2	0.55	0.33	-0.052	17	5	-3.0
CTC-201(A)	0.25	4.9	8.7	0.51	0.22	-0.033	15	2	-1.4
<b>Full Surrogate - High NOx</b>									
CTC-204(A)	0.48	6.3	4.5	0.71	0.88	0.038	-	15	-
CTC-212(B)	0.46	6.0	5.2	0.66	0.81	0.029	22	14	-1.5
<b>Full Surrogate - Low NOx</b>									
CTC-215(A)	0.19	5.5	7.1	0.47	0.58	0.015	22	10	-1.7
CTC-205(B)	0.17	6.2	4.5	0.47	0.54	0.017	22	11	-2.3

Notes

[a] Total base ROG surrogate in ppmC.

[b] Incremental reactivity

radical inhibiting effects of the organic nitrate formation process, simulations of those experiments were used for this purpose. The ability of the models to predict the results of the other types of experiments can then be used to evaluate other aspects of the mechanisms, such as the assumed numbers of NO to NO<sub>2</sub> conversions and the reactivities of the assumed products, which will have differing effects on model simulations of the different types of experiments.

### **Evaluation of the Alternative DBE-4 Mechanisms**

As discussed in the previous section, four alternative DBE-4 photooxidation mechanisms, employing differing assumptions concerning uncertain aspects of the mechanism, were evaluated. Because the different alternative mechanisms predict different amounts of NO to NO<sub>2</sub> conversions and different levels of radical initiation from the products formed, the alkyl nitrate yields which best fit the mini-surrogate experiments differed depending on which mechanism was assumed. The best fit nitrate yields for each of the four mechanisms are given in Table 1, above, and are in the 10-14% range for Models A, B, and D, and are 28% for Model C. The much higher nitrate yield for Model C is because that mechanism predicts relatively high yields of a highly photoreactive product (represented by biacetyl in the model), which provides significant radical initiation which must be balanced by additional termination of higher nitrate yields to yield the same results as models which assume that such a highly photoreactive product is not formed.

Figures 2 and 3 show experimental and calculated d(O<sub>3</sub>-NO) and IntOH data for the DBE-4 mini-surrogate experiments, and Figures 4-7 show plots of these data for the full surrogate DBE-4 runs. Figures 2 and 3 show that with appropriately adjusted nitrate yields all four of the alternative DBE-4 mechanisms can fit the mini-surrogate data to within the experimental uncertainty. However, Figures 4-7 show that Model C does not satisfactorily simulate the d(O<sub>3</sub>-NO) results of the full surrogate experiments, and therefore can be ruled out on this basis. On the other hand, the Models A, B, and D perform reasonably well in simulating the full surrogate experiments, though Model D tends to slightly underpredict d(O<sub>3</sub>-NO) reactivities in the higher NO<sub>x</sub> runs, while Model A tends to slightly overpredict in the lower NO<sub>x</sub> runs. However, these discrepancies between model simulations and experimental data are not sufficiently large to rule out any of these three alternatives.

Model B differs from the other DBE-4 mechanisms in that it predicts significant amounts of formaldehyde formation in the DBE-4 reactions. This was not consistent with the results of our experiments. Figure 8 shows the experimental concentration-time plots for formaldehyde in all of the DBE-4 reactivity runs, where they are compared with those calculated using the three models which are not inconsistent with the d(O<sub>3</sub>-NO) data. It can be seen that Model B significantly overpredicts the formaldehyde yields in the added DBE experiments, while the formaldehyde levels predicted by the models assuming no formaldehyde formation from DBE-4 are quite consistent with the data. Note that

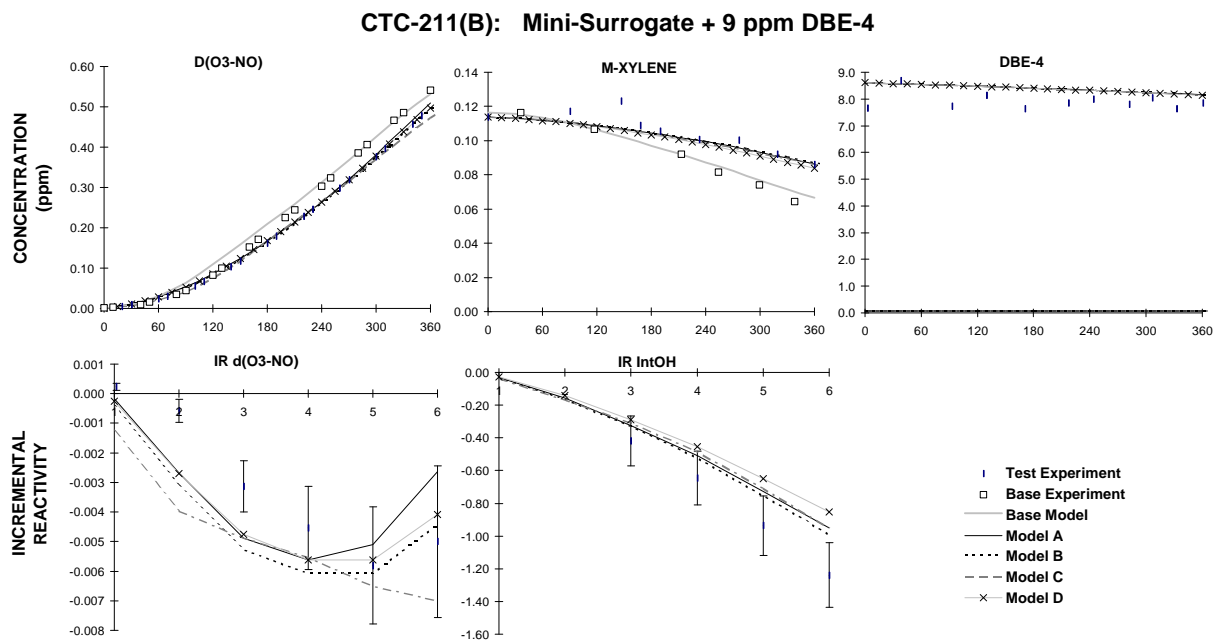


Figure 2. Plots of selected results of the mini-surrogate + DBE-4 run CTC-211.

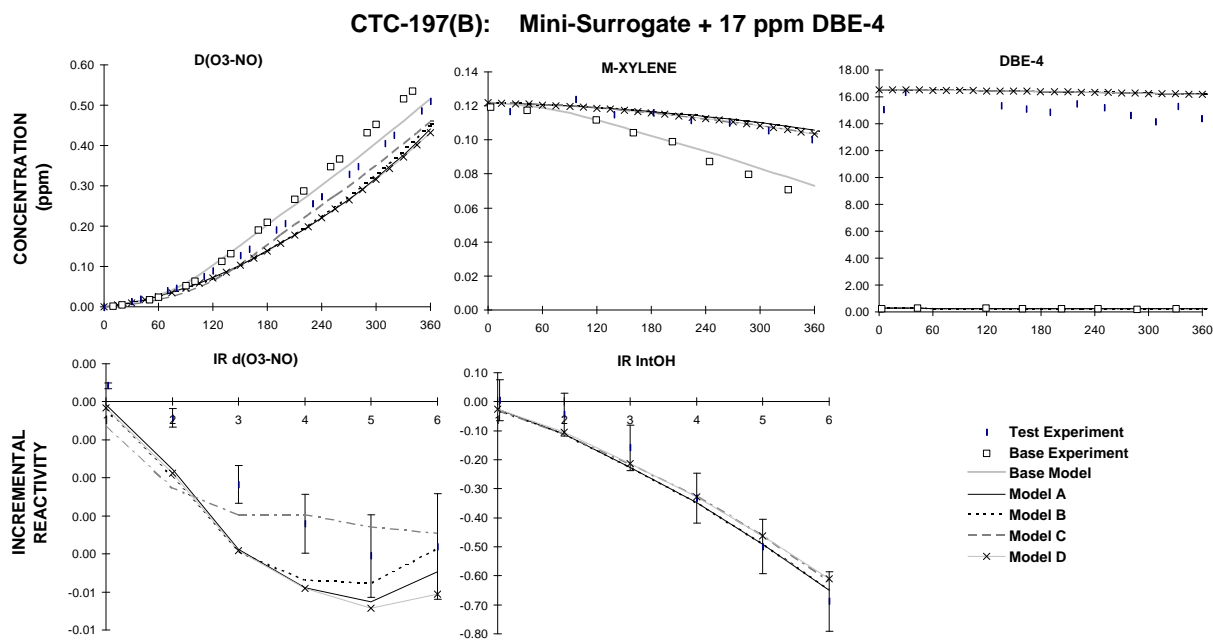


Figure 4. Plots of selected results of the mini-surrogate + DBE-4 run CTC-197.

CTC-208(A): Full Surrogate + 9 ppm DBE-4

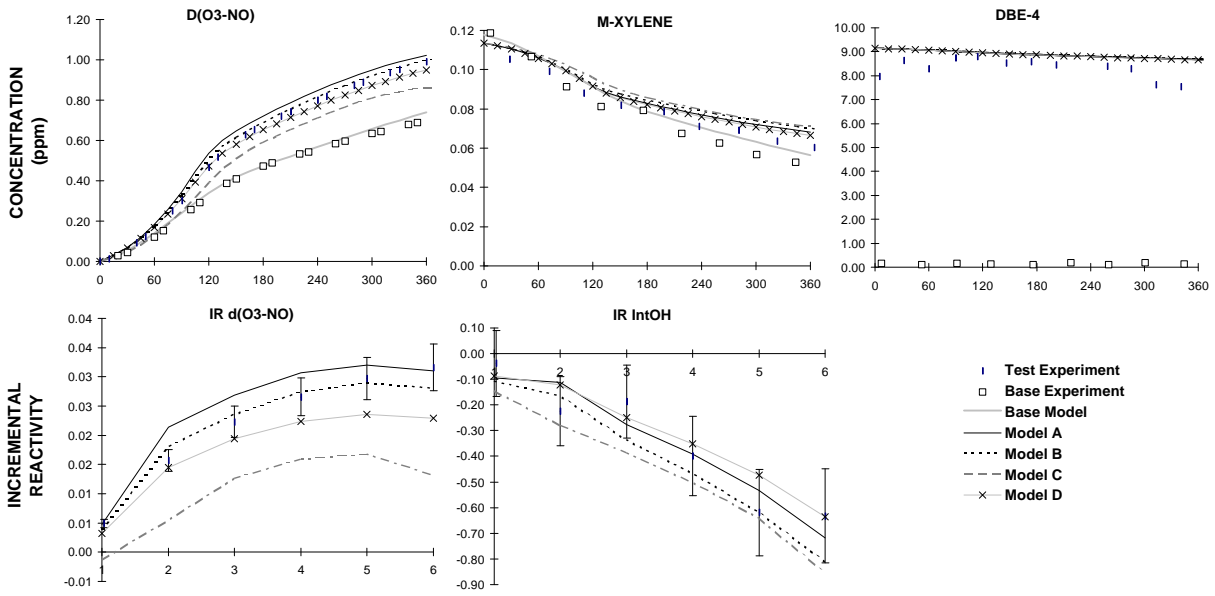


Figure 4. Plots of selected results of the full surrogate + DBE-4 run CTC-208.

CTC-198(A): Full Surrogate + 16 ppm DBE-4

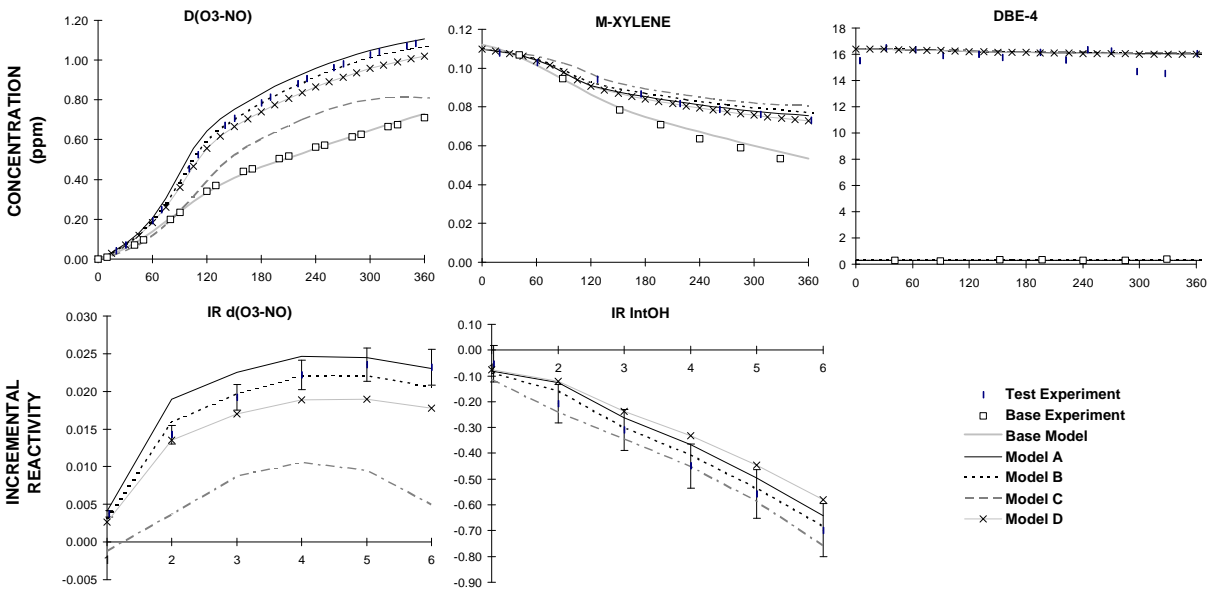


Figure 5. Plots of selected results of the full surrogate + DBE-4 run CTC-198.

**CTC-199(B): Low NO<sub>x</sub> Full Surrogate + 8 ppm DBE-4**

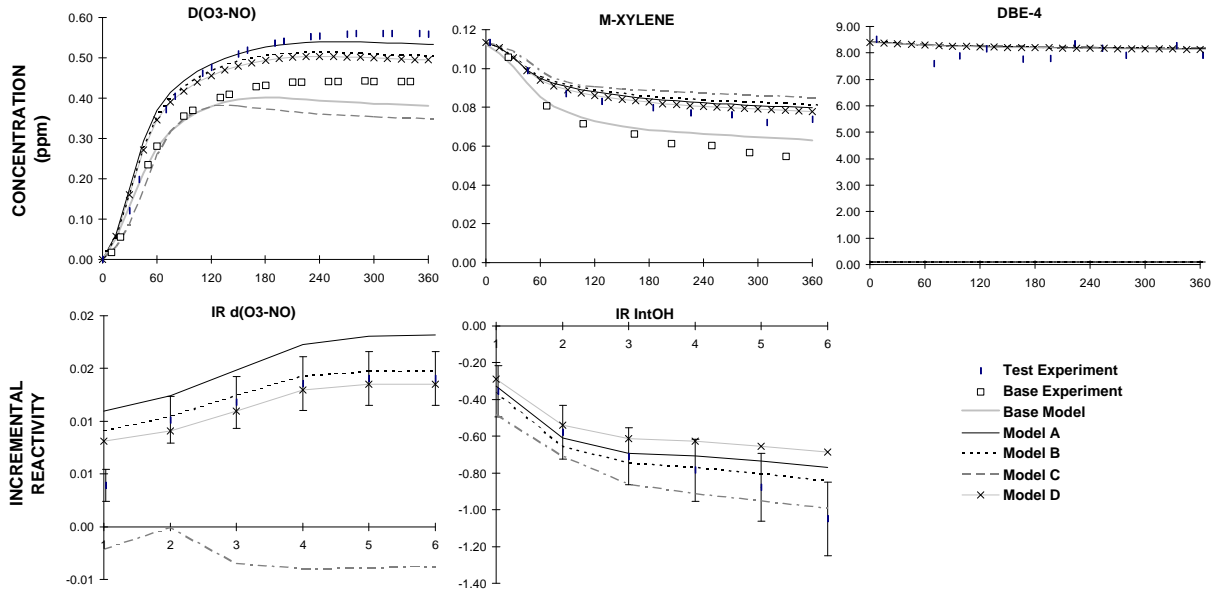


Figure 6. Plots of selected results of the low NO<sub>x</sub> full surrogate + DBE-4 run CTC-199.

**CTC-210(A): Low NO<sub>x</sub> Full Surrogate + 13 ppm DBE-4**

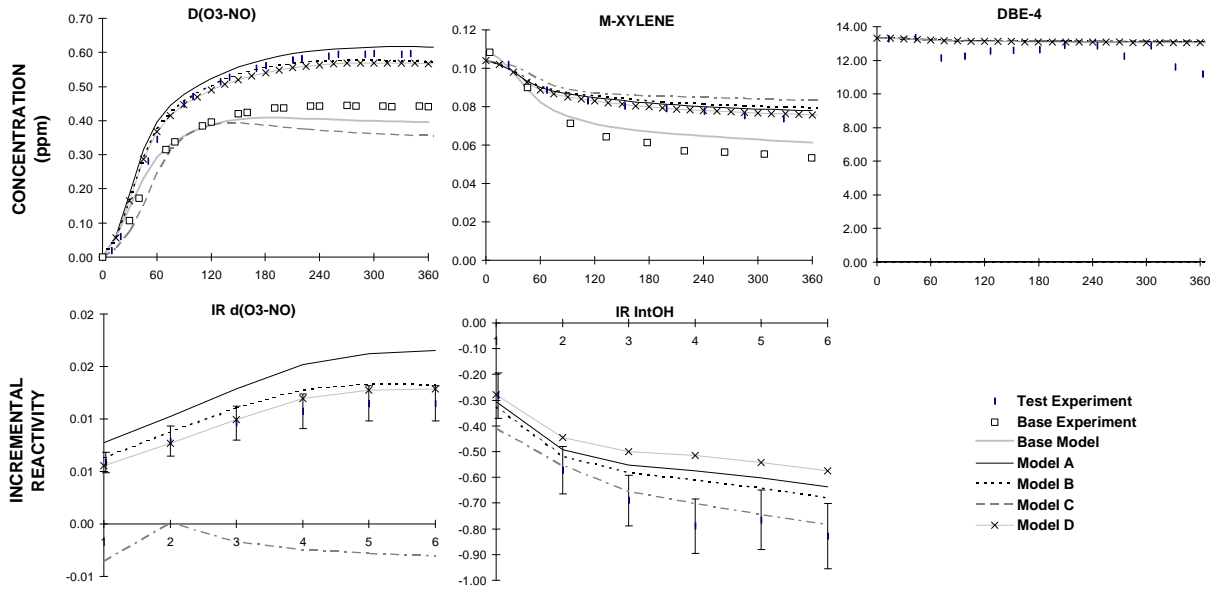


Figure 7. Plots of selected results of the low NO<sub>x</sub> full surrogate + DBE-4 run CTC-210.

Figure 8. Plots of experimental and calculated concentration-time data for formaldehyde in the DBE-4 reactivity experiments.

the suppression in the formaldehyde levels caused by adding DBE-4 to the mini-surrogate is attributed to the suppression of overall radical levels by DBE-4, which reduces the rate of the OH + ethene reaction, the primary formaldehyde source in these experiments. Although Model B also predicts a suppression in the formaldehyde formation in the added DBE-4 mini-surrogate runs, this suppression was far less than was observed experimentally.

Therefore, the chamber data rule out DBE-4 models B and C, but are not inconsistent with wither Models A and D. However, Model A is considered to be somewhat more likely to be correct based on fundamental mechanistic considerations. In the first place, as discussed above it is unlikely that the  $\alpha$ -keto ester product is really as unreactive as estimated in Model D, even if may be less reactive than biacetyl, as assumed in Model C. In addition, the estimation methods developed for the alkanes and alkenes (Atkinson, 1997) predict not only that reaction of the  $\text{CH}_3\text{OC(O)CH}_2\text{CH(O)C(O)OCH}_3$  radical with  $\text{O}_2$ , which is assumed to dominate in Models C and D, is not only slower than its isomerization (as assumed by Model A), but is also slower than its decomposition via Reaction (15), which, based on the formaldehyde data, has been shown not to be important. Since the chamber data are not inconsistent with Model A, and

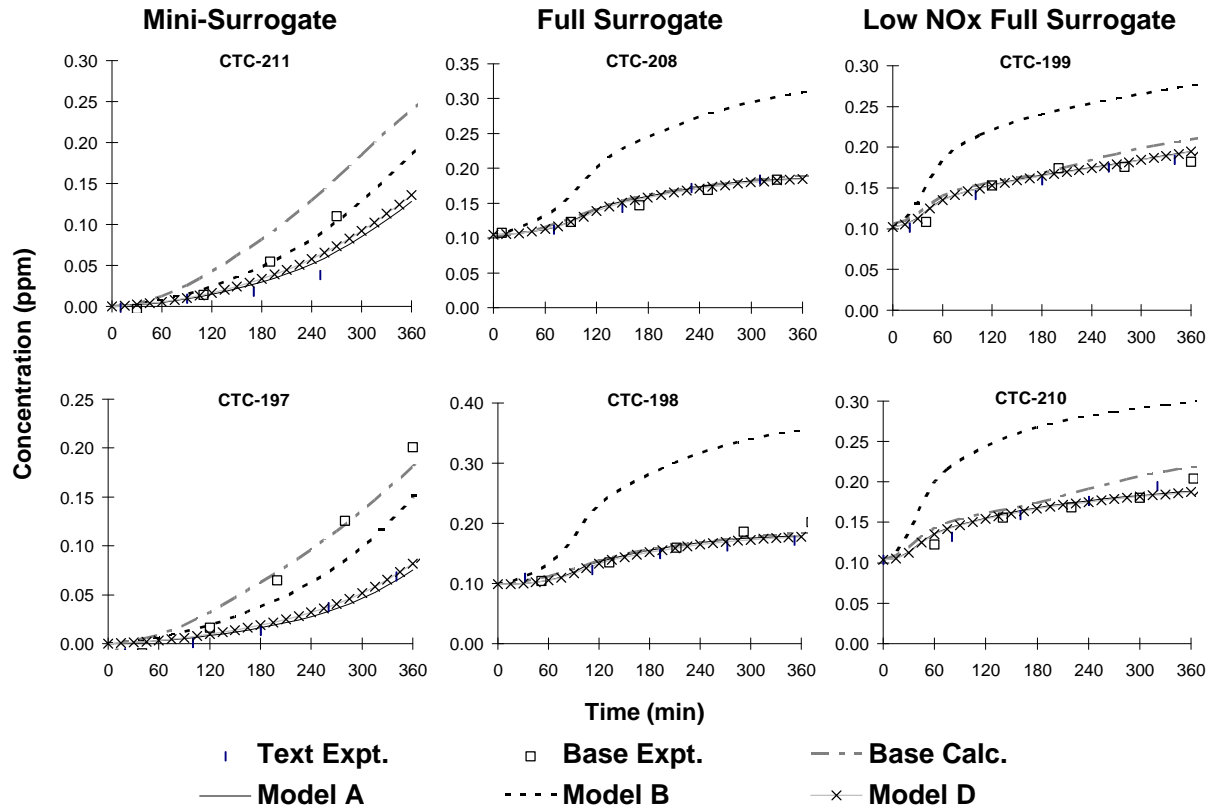


Figure 8. Plots of experimental and calculated concentration-time data for formaldehyde in the DBE-4 reactivity experiments.

since this model is predicted to be most reasonable based on current estimation methods, we assume that this is the most likely mechanism to be correct, and we assume that the analogous isomerization also dominates in the estimated DBE-5 and DBE-6 mechanisms (as shown in Tables 2 and 3, above). Note that this assumption is less important in the DBE-5 and DBE-6 systems, because reaction at the  $\beta$ -CH<sub>2</sub> route, which is not involved in the DBE-4 system, is a major or dominant process for the higher DBEs.

#### **Evaluation of the DBE-5 Mechanism**

Figures 9-14 show plots of the experimental and calculated d(O<sub>3</sub>-NO) and IntOH reactivity results for the DBE-5 reactivity experiments, and plots of experimental and calculated formaldehyde data are shown on Figure 15. As with DBE-4, the overall organic nitrate yield was adjusted to yield the best fits to the mini-surrogate experiments, though in this case the best fit overall nitrate yield, 25%, was relatively close to the initial estimate of ~26%. As shown on Figures 9 and 10, the adjusted mechanism slightly overpredicts the inhibition of d(O<sub>3</sub>-NO) run CTC-209(B), but overpredicts it by about the same amount in run CTC-201(A). This is within the expected variability of these experiments. Figures 11-14 show that the results of the full surrogate experiments are reasonably well simulated by the model, though there is a slight tendency for the model to underpredict the d(O<sub>3</sub>-NO) reactivities in the low NO<sub>x</sub> runs. This discrepancy is not sufficiently large to justify further adjustments of the assumed DBE-5 mechanism, particularly in view of the fact that the adjusted nitrate yield model slightly underpredicts O<sub>3</sub> yields in the base case experiments, which may result in small biases in the simulations of incremental reactivities of added VOCs.

The assumed mechanism predicts that the photooxidation of DBE-5 does not result in significant formaldehyde formation. Figure 15 shows that the addition of DBE-5 suppresses formaldehyde yields in the mini-surrogate experiments, but has no significant effect on formaldehyde formation in the full surrogate runs. This is essentially the same as observed with DBE-4 (see Figure 8). As with DBE-4, the suppression in formaldehyde yields in the mini-surrogate experiments is due to the suppression in overall radical levels caused by the nitrate formation in the DBE-5 reaction slowing down the rate of formaldehyde formation in the oxidation of ethene. These results are consistent with the predictions of the estimated DBE-5 mechanism, which assumes no formaldehyde formation from DBE-5.



**CTC-209(B): Mini-Surrogate + 4 ppm DBE-5**

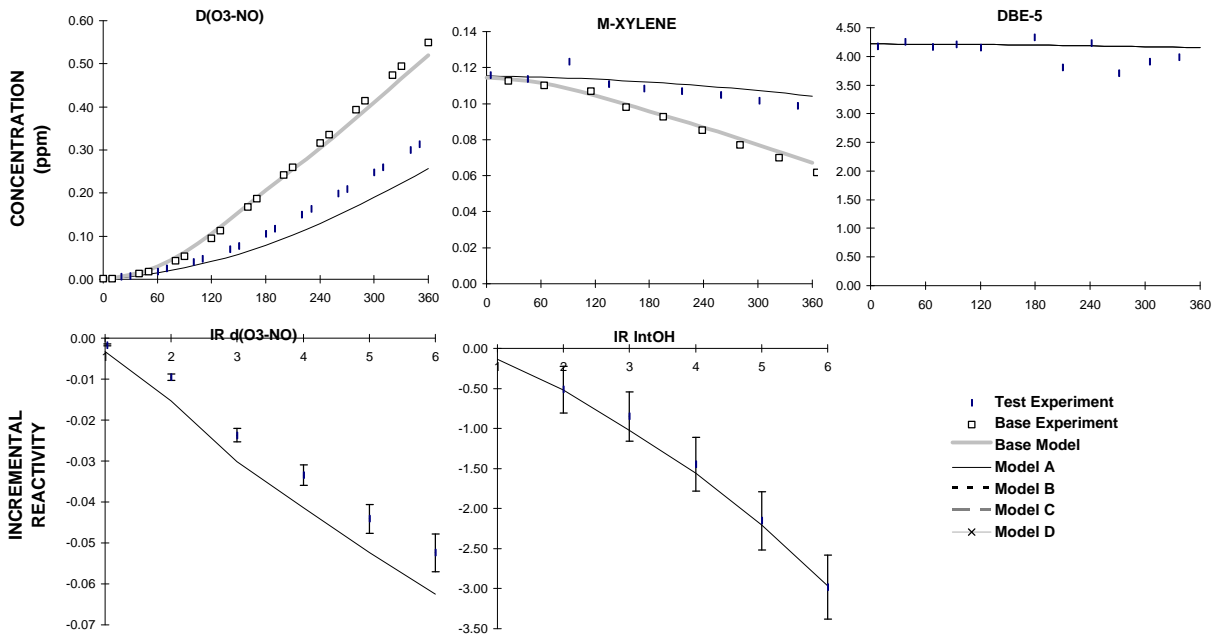


Figure 9. Plots of selected results of the mini-surrogate + DBE-5 run CTC-209.

**CTC-201(A): Mini-Surrogate + 9 ppm DBE-5**

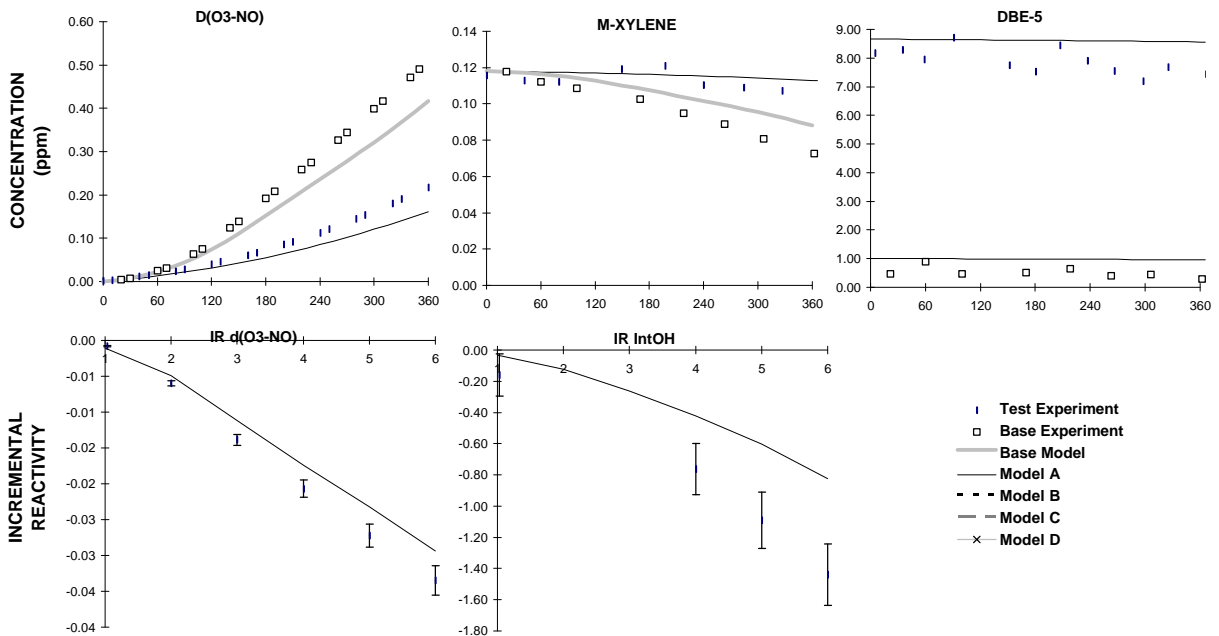


Figure 10. Plots of selected results of the mini-surrogate + DBE-5 run CTC-201.

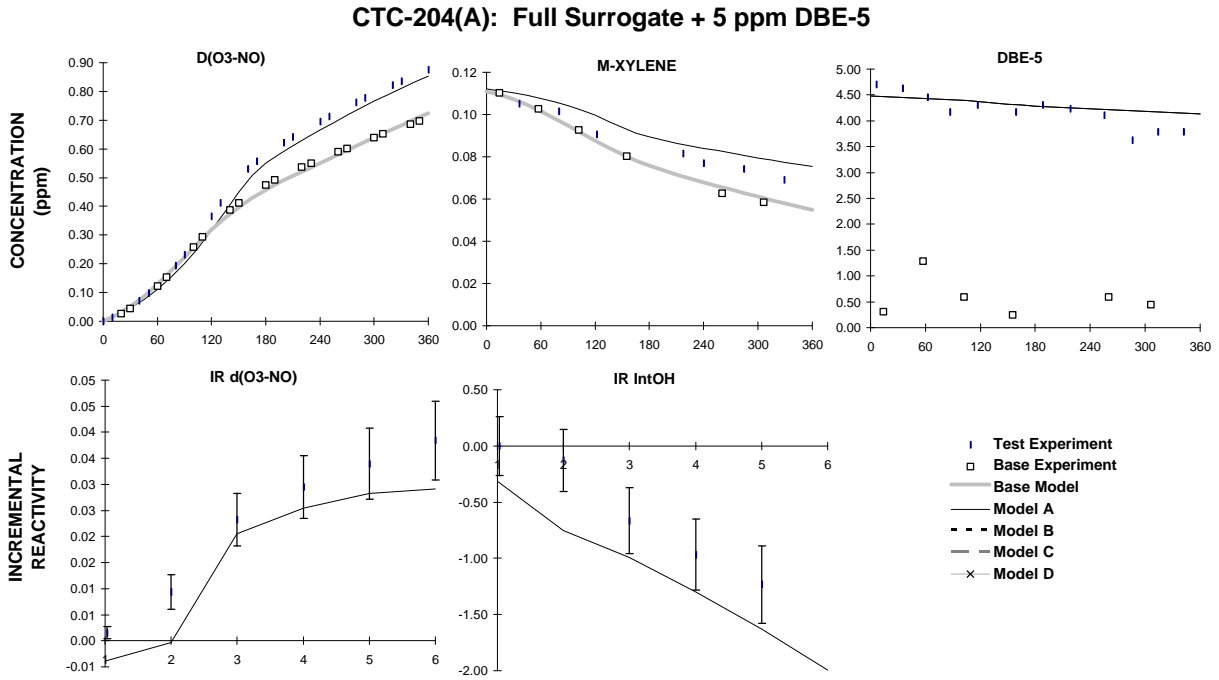


Figure 11. Plots of selected results of the full surrogate + DBE-5 run CTC-204.

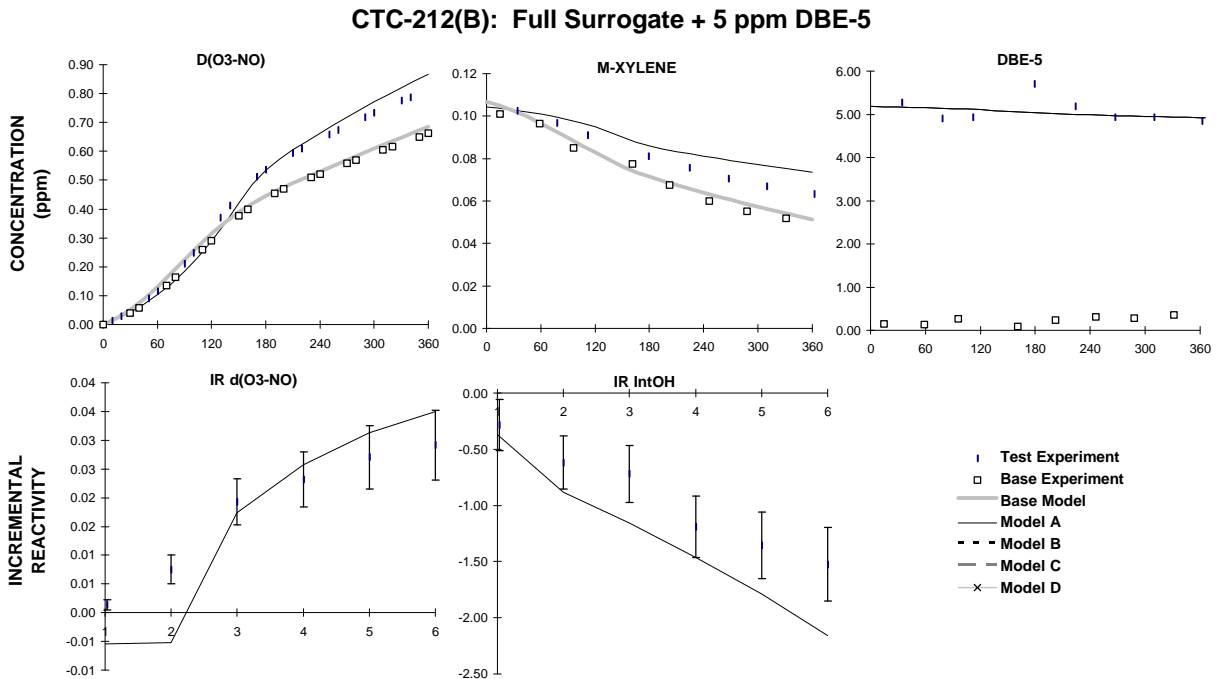


Figure 12. Plots of selected results of the full surrogate + DBE-5 run CTC-212.

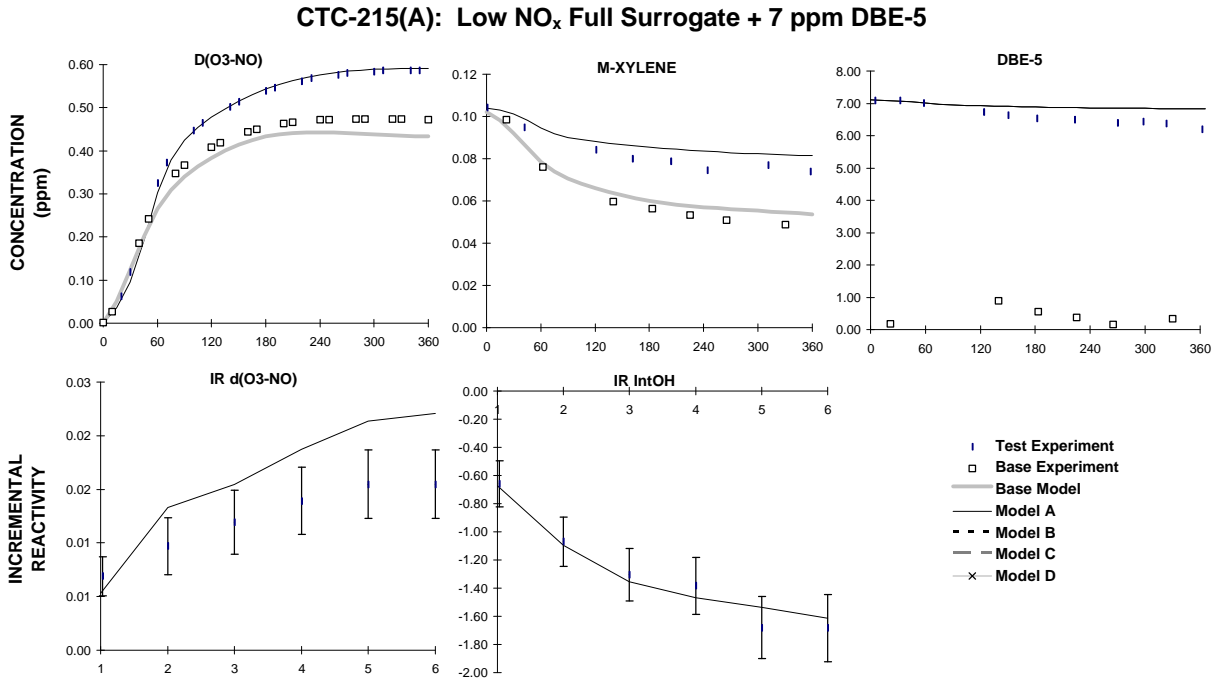


Figure 13. Plots of selected results of the low NO<sub>x</sub> full surrogate + DBE-5 run CTC-215.

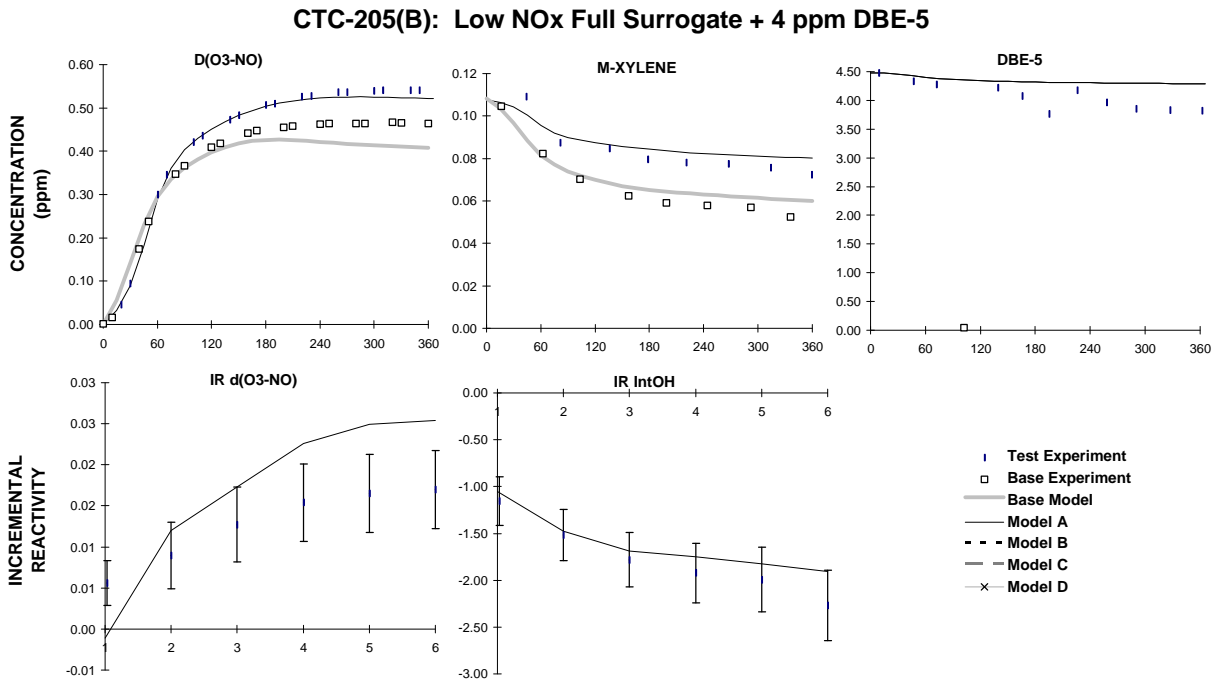


Figure 14. Plots of selected results of the low NO<sub>x</sub> full surrogate + DBE-5 run CTC-205.

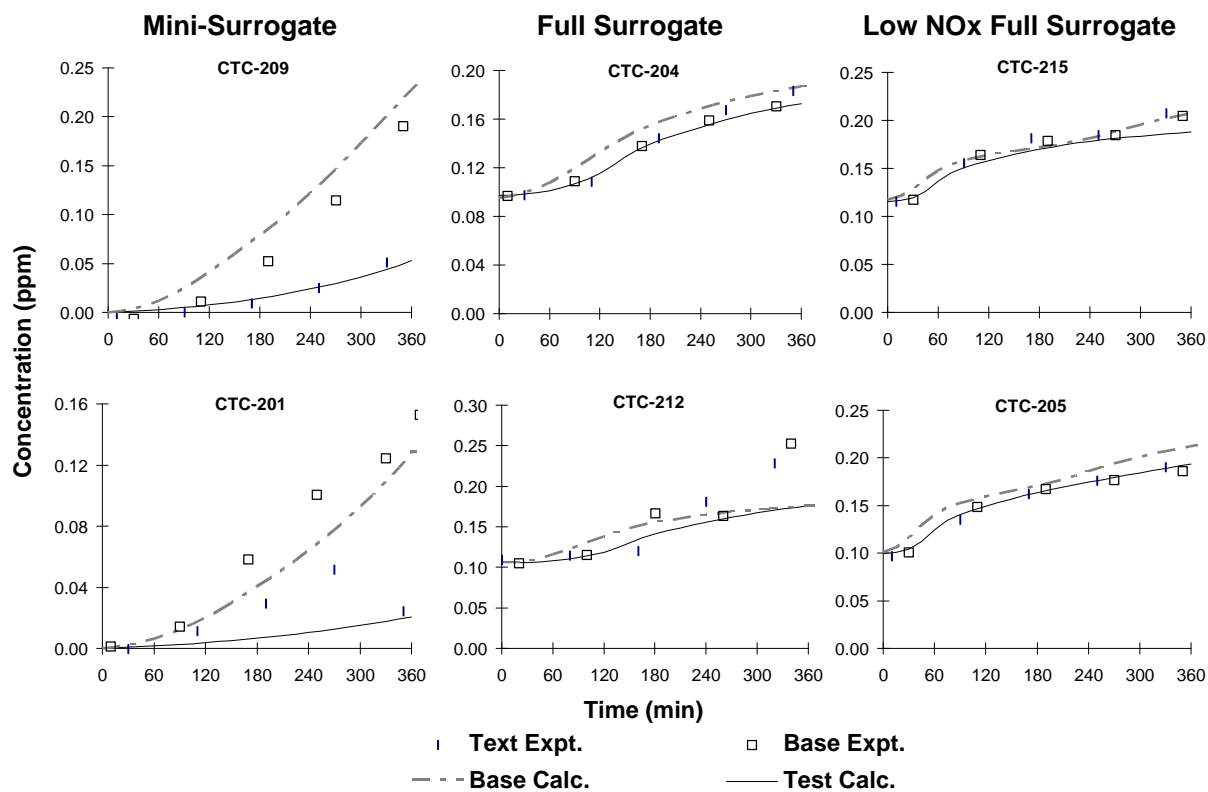


Figure 15. Plots of experimental and calculated concentration-time data for formaldehyde in the DBE-5 reactivity experiments.

## ATMOSPHERIC REACTIVITY CALCULATIONS

Incremental reactivities of VOCs have been shown to be highly dependent on environmental conditions, so reactivities measured in environmental chamber experiments cannot necessarily be assumed to be the same as those under atmospheric conditions (Carter and Atkinson, 1989b; Carter et al, 1995a). Because of this, the only method available to obtain quantitative estimates of incremental reactivities of VOCs in ambient air pollution episodes is to conduct airshed model simulations of the episodes. Since these simulations cannot be any more reliable than the chemical mechanisms used, the major objective of this program was to assess the reliability of the DBE-4 and DBE-5 mechanisms for use in such calculations. This was discussed in the previous sections. In this section, we discuss the results of model simulations of the incremental reactivities of the DBE's in a variety of model scenarios representing ozone exceedence episodes in various areas in the United States, and compare the results to incremental reactivities calculated for ethane, the compound used by the EPA as the criterion for determining "negligible" reactivity, and for the base ROG, the mixture representing total ROG emissions from all sources. Because the data from the DBE-4 experiments are insufficient to distinguish between models A and D, which are both reasonably consistent with most of the data, both models will be used in the atmospheric reactivity calculations for this compound. Although atmospheric reactivity estimates are also presented for DBE-6, the DBE-6 must be considered to be more uncertain because no chamber data were obtained to evaluate the predictive capability of the assumed mechanism for this compound.

### Scenarios Used for Reactivity Assessment

The set of airshed scenarios employed to assess the DBE reactivities for this study is the same as those used for calculating the MIR and other reactivity scales (Carter, 1994a; Carter et al, 1993b). The objective is to use a set of scenarios which represents, as much as possible, a comprehensive distribution of the environmental conditions where unacceptable levels of ozone are formed. Although a set of scenarios has not been developed for the specific purpose of VOC reactivity assessment, the EPA developed an extensive set of scenarios for conducting analyses of effects of ROG and NO<sub>x</sub> controls on ozone formation using the EKMA modeling approach (Gipson et al. 1981; Gipson and Freas, 1983; EPA, 1984; Gery et al. 1987; Baugues, 1990). The EKMA approach involves the use of single-cell box models to simulate how the ozone formation in one day episodes is affected by changes in ROG and NO<sub>x</sub> inputs. Although single-cell models cannot represent realistic pollution episodes in great detail, they can represent dynamic injection of pollutants, time-varying changes of inversion heights, entrainment of pollutants from aloft as the inversion height raises, and time-varying photolysis rates, temperatures, and humidities (Gipson and Freas, 1981; EPA, 1984; Gipson, 1984; Hogo and Gery, 1988). Thus, they can be used to simulate a wide range of the chemical conditions which affect ozone formation from ROG and NO<sub>x</sub>, and which affect VOC reactivity. Therefore, at least to the extent they are suitable for their intended purpose, an

appropriate set of EKMA scenarios should also be suitable for assessing reactivities over a wide range of conditions.

### **Base Case Scenarios**

The set of EKMA scenarios used in this study were developed by the United States EPA for assessing how various ROG and NO<sub>x</sub> control strategies would affect ozone nonattainment in various areas of the country (Baugues, 1990). The characteristics of these scenarios and the methods used to derive their input data are described in more detail elsewhere (Baugues, 1990; Carter, 1994b). Briefly, 39 urban areas in the United States were selected based on geographical representativeness of ozone nonattainment areas and data availability, and a representative high ozone episode was selected for each. The initial non-methane organic carbon (NMOC) and NO<sub>x</sub> concentrations, the aloft O<sub>3</sub> concentrations, and the mixing height inputs were based on measurement data for the various areas, the hourly emissions in the scenarios were obtained from the National Acid Precipitation Assessment Program emissions inventory (Baugues, 1990), and biogenic emissions were also included. Table 7 gives a summary of the urban areas represented and other selected characteristics of the scenarios.

Several changes to the scenario inputs were made based on discussions with the California ARB staff and others (Carter, 1994b). Two percent of the initial NO<sub>x</sub> and 0.1% of the emitted NO<sub>x</sub> in all the scenarios was assumed to be in the form of HONO. The photolysis rates were calculated using solar light intensities and spectra calculated by Jeffries (1991) for 640 meters, the approximate mid-point of the mixed layer during daylight hours. The composition of the NMOCs entrained from aloft was based on the analysis of Jeffries et al. (1989). The composition of the initial and emitted reactive organics was derived as discussed below. Complete listings of the input data for the scenarios are given elsewhere (Carter, 1994b).

This set of 39 EKMA scenarios are referred to as "base case" to distinguish them from the scenarios derived from them by adjusting NO<sub>x</sub> inputs to yield standard conditions of NO<sub>x</sub> availability as discussed below. No claim is made as to the accuracy of these scenarios in representing any real episode, but they are a result of an effort to represent, as accurately as possible given the available data and the limitations of the formulation of the EKMA model, the range of conditions occurring in urban areas throughout the United States. When developing general reactivity scales it is more important that the scenarios employed represent a realistic distribution of chemical conditions than accurately representing the details of any one particular episode.

The Base ROG mixture is the mixture of reactive organic gases used to represent the chemical composition of the initial and emitted anthropogenic reactive organic gases from all sources in the scenarios. Consistent with the approach used in the original EPA scenarios, the same mixture was used for all scenarios. The speciation for this mixture was derived by Croes (1991) based on an analysis of

Table 7. Summary of conditions of base case scenarios used for atmospheric reactivity assessment.

City, State	Calc. Max O <sub>3</sub> (ppb)	ROG /NO <sub>x</sub>	NO <sub>x</sub> /NO <sub>x</sub> <sup>MOR</sup>	Final Height (km)	Init.+Emit Base ROG (mmol m <sup>-2</sup> )	Aloft O <sub>3</sub> (ppb)
Atlanta, GA	179	7.3	0.7	2.1	12	63
Austin, TX	175	9.3	0.5	2.1	11	85
Baltimore, MD	326	5.2	1.0	1.2	17	84
Baton Rouge, LA	247	6.8	0.8	1.0	11	62
Birmingham, AL	238	6.9	0.5	1.8	13	81
Boston, MA	195	6.5	0.6	2.6	14	105
Charlotte, NC	143	7.8	0.3	3.0	7	92
Chicago, IL	281	11.6	0.5	1.4	25	40
Cincinnati, OH	198	6.4	0.7	2.8	17	70
Cleveland, OH	251	6.6	0.9	1.7	16	89
Dallas, TX	213	4.7	1.2	2.3	18	75
Denver, CO	211	6.3	1.0	3.4	29	57
Detroit, MI	238	6.8	0.7	1.8	17	68
El Paso, TX	188	6.6	0.9	2.0	12	65
Hartford, CT	169	8.4	0.5	2.3	11	78
Houston, TX	307	6.1	0.9	1.7	25	65
Indianapolis, IN	211	6.6	0.8	1.7	12	52
Jacksonville, FL	156	7.6	0.6	1.5	8	40
Kansas City, MO	154	7.1	0.6	2.2	9	65
Lake Charles, LA	291	7.4	0.6	0.5	7	40
Los Angeles, CA	580	7.6	0.8	0.5	23	100
Louisville, KY	210	5.5	0.8	2.5	14	75
Memphis, TN	225	6.8	0.6	1.8	15	58
Miami, FL	133	9.6	0.4	2.7	9	57
Nashville, TN	166	8.1	0.4	1.6	7	50
New York, NY	363	8.1	0.7	1.5	39	103
Philadelphia, PA	242	6.2	0.9	1.8	19	53
Phoenix, AZ	275	7.6	0.8	3.3	40	60
Portland, OR	165	6.5	0.7	1.6	6	66
Richmond, VA	233	6.2	0.7	1.9	16	64
Sacramento, CA	202	6.6	0.8	1.1	7	60
St Louis, MO	322	6.1	1.0	1.6	26	82
Salt Lake City, UT	184	8.5	0.6	2.2	11	85
San Antonio, TX	132	3.9	1.0	2.3	6	60
San Diego, CA	196	7.1	0.9	0.9	8	90
San Francisco, CA	325	4.8	1.5	0.7	25	70
Tampa, FL	232	4.4	1.0	1.0	8	68
Tulsa, OK	225	5.3	0.9	1.8	15	70
Washington, DC	276	5.3	0.8	1.4	13	99

the EPA database (Jeffries et al. 1989) for the hydrocarbons and the 1987 Southern California Air Quality Study (SCAQS) database for the oxygenates (Croes et al. 1994; Lurmann et al. 1992). This mixture consists of 52% (by carbon) alkanes, 15% alkenes, 27% aromatics, 1% formaldehyde, 2% higher aldehydes, 1% ketones, and 2% acetylene. The detailed composition of this mixture is given elsewhere (Carter, 1994b).

### **Adjusted NO<sub>x</sub> scenarios**

Incremental reactivities in the base case scenarios would be expected to vary widely, since incremental reactivities depend on the ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> ratio, and that ratio varies widely among the base case scenarios. To obtain reactivity scales for specified NO<sub>x</sub> conditions, separate sets of scenarios, designated MIR (for maximum incremental reactivity), MOR (for maximum ozone reactivity), and Equal Benefit Incremental Reactivity (EBIR) were developed (Carter, 1994a). In the MIR scenarios, the NO<sub>x</sub> inputs were adjusted so the base ROG mixture (and most other VOCs) have their highest incremental reactivity. This is representative of the highest NO<sub>x</sub> conditions of relevance to VOC reactivity assessment because at higher NO<sub>x</sub> levels O<sub>3</sub> yields become significantly suppressed, but is also the condition where O<sub>3</sub> is most sensitive to VOC emissions. In the MOR scenarios, the NO<sub>x</sub> inputs were adjusted to yield the highest ozone concentration. In the EBIR scenarios, the NO<sub>x</sub> inputs were adjusted so that the relative effects of NO<sub>x</sub> reductions and total ROG reductions on peak ozone levels were equal. This represents the lowest NO<sub>x</sub> condition of relevance for VOC reactivity assessment, because O<sub>3</sub> formation becomes more sensitive to NO<sub>x</sub> emissions than VOC emissions at lower NO<sub>x</sub> levels. The changes in the base case ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> ratios which yielded the MOR scenarios are given in Table 7. As discussed by Carter (1994a) the MIR and EBIR ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> ratios are respectively ~1.5 and ~0.7 times those for the MOR scenarios in all cases.

For this study, the MIR, MOIR, and EBIR reactivities were calculated using the "averaged conditions" scenarios with the corresponding adjusted NO<sub>x</sub> conditions. As discussed by Carter (1994a), averaged conditions scenarios have all inputs derived by averaging the corresponding inputs of the base case scenarios, except that the NO<sub>x</sub> inputs were adjusted to yield the specified NO<sub>x</sub> conditions as discussed above. This is slightly different than the approach used by Carter (1994a) to derive the MIR, MOIR, and EBIR scales, which involved adjusting NO<sub>x</sub> conditions separately for each of the 39 base case scenarios, and then averaging the reactivities derived from them. Since Carter (1994a) showed that both approaches yield essentially the same result. For this work use of the averaged conditions approach was preferred because it is computationally much more straightforward, and gives an equally a good indication of how the relative reactivities of compounds vary with varying NO<sub>x</sub> conditions.

### **NO<sub>x</sub> Conditions in the Base Case Scenarios**

The variability of ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> ratios in the base case scenarios suggest a variability of reactivity characteristics in those scenarios. However, as discussed previously (Carter, 1994a), the ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> ratio is also variable in the MIR or MOR scenarios, despite the fact that the NO<sub>x</sub> inputs in these scenarios are



adjusted to yield a specified reactivity characteristic. Thus, the ROG/NO<sub>x</sub> ratio, by itself, is not necessarily a good predictor of reactivity characteristics of a particular scenario. The NO<sub>x</sub>/NO<sub>x</sub><sup>MOR</sup> ratio is a much better predictor of this, with values greater than 1 indicating relatively high NO<sub>x</sub> conditions where ozone formation is more sensitive to VOCs, and values less than 1 indicating NO<sub>x</sub>-limited conditions. NO<sub>x</sub>/NO<sub>x</sub><sup>MOR</sup> ratios less than 0.7 represent conditions where NO<sub>x</sub> control is a more effective ozone control strategy than ROG control (Carter, 1994a). Note that more than half of the base case scenarios represent NO<sub>x</sub>-limited conditions, and ~25% of them represent conditions where NO<sub>x</sub> control is more beneficial than VOC control. A relatively small number of scenarios represent MIR or near MIR conditions. However, as discussed elsewhere (Carter, 1994a), this set of scenarios is based on near-worst-case conditions for ozone formation in each of the airsheds. Had scenarios representing less-than-worst-case conditions been included, one might expect a larger number of MIR or near MIR scenarios. This is because NO<sub>x</sub> is consumed more slowly on days with lower light intensity or temperature, and thus the scenario is less likely to become NO<sub>x</sub>-limited.

### **Incremental and Relative Reactivities**

The incremental reactivity of a VOC in an airshed scenario is the change in ozone caused by adding the VOC to the emissions, divided by the amount of VOC added, calculated for sufficiently small amounts of added VOC that the incremental reactivity is independent of the amount added. The procedure used to calculate incremental reactivities in a scenario was as discussed in detail elsewhere (Carter, 1994a,b). The incremental reactivities depend on how the amount of VOC added are quantified. In this work, the added VOC was quantified on a mass basis, since this is how VOCs are regulated. In addition, the incremental reactivities also depend on how ozone impacts are quantified (Carter, 1994a). In this work, two different ozone quantifications were used, resulting in two different incremental reactivities being calculated for a VOC in a scenario. These are discussed below.

The "Ozone Yield" incremental reactivities measure the effect of the VOC on the total amount of ozone formed in the scenario at the time of its maximum concentration. In this work, this is quantified as grams O<sub>3</sub> formed per gram VOC added. This gives the same ratios of incremental reactivities as reactivities calculated from peak ozone concentrations, but is preferred because it permits magnitudes of reactivities in scenarios with differing dilutions to be compared on the same basis. Most previous recent studies of incremental reactivity (Dodge, 1984; Carter and Atkinson, 1987, 1989, Chang and Rudy, 1990; Jeffries and Crouse, 1991) have all been based on ozone yield or peak ozone concentration reactivities.

The ozone yield incremental reactivities do not necessarily measure the effect of the VOC on exposure to unacceptable levels of ozone because it does not measure how long high levels of ozone are present. A quantification which reflects this is integrated ozone over the standard, which is defined as the sum of the hourly ozone concentrations for the hours when ozone exceeds the standard in the base case scenarios (Carter 1994a). In the previous work (Carter, 1994a), we used the California ozone standard

of 90 ppb, but in this work we will use the national standard of 0.12 ppm. Reactivities relative to this quantification of ozone are referred to by the abbreviation "IntO<sub>3</sub>>0.12" reactivities.

Relative reactivities are ratios of incremental reactivities to incremental reactivities of some standard VOC or mixture. Since these are the quantities which usually are the most relevant to control strategy applications, the results in this work will be given in terms of relative reactivities. In our previous work (Carter 1991, 1994a), we used the incremental reactivity of the base ROG mixture, i.e., the mixture representing ROG pollutants from all sources, as the standard to define relative reactivities. However, because of the tendency within the EPA to consider ethane as the standard to define exempt vs controlled VOCs, in this work we will present reactivity ratios where ethane is used as the standard.

### **Reactivity Scales**

A reactivity scale is a set of incremental or relative reactivities for a particular scenario or group of scenarios. Two types of reactivity scales will be discussed here, "base case" scales and adjusted NO<sub>x</sub> scales. Base case scales are simply the set of incremental or relative reactivities in the 39 base case scenarios. Two sets of scales are derived — those based ozone yield reactivities and those based on IntO<sub>3</sub>>0.12 reactivities. In the previous work (Carter, 1991, 1994a) we derived various multi-scenario scales from the individual base case scales by averaging or other procedures, to evaluate alternative approaches for developing single reactivity scales for applications requiring single scales. However, the decision of whether to exempt a VOC should not be made based on relative reactivities of a single scale, but on a knowledge of the range of relative reactivities for a variety of conditions. Thus in this work we present the distribution of base case relative reactivities for the 39 individual scenarios rather than developing aggregated or optimum scales which represent the distribution by single numbers.

The adjusted NO<sub>x</sub> incremental reactivity scales refer to the MIR (maximum incremental reactivity), MOIR (maximum ozone incremental reactivity), or the EBIR (Equal Benefit Incremental Reactivity) scales. These consist of reactivities in averaged conditions scenarios where NO<sub>x</sub> inputs were adjusted to yield MIR, MOR or EBIR conditions, respectively. Reactivities in the MIR scale are of interest because the California Air Resources Board utilized an MIR scale to calculate reactivity adjustment factors in its clean fuels/low emissions vehicle regulations (CARB, 1993). The justification for using this scale in applications requiring a single scale (such as the CARB vehicle regulations) is that it reflects conditions where ozone is most sensitive to changes in VOC emissions, and complements NO<sub>x</sub> control, which is most effective for reducing ozone under conditions where the MIR scale is least applicable (Carter, 1994a). The MOIR scale is preferred by many as an alternative for such applications because it reflects conditions which are most favorable for ozone, and is more representative of the distribution of conditions in the base case scenarios (Carter 1994a). Most other alternative reactivity scales which might be appropriate for assessing VOC control strategies (i.e., excluding scales representing highly NO<sub>x</sub>-limited conditions where ozone is more sensitive to NO<sub>x</sub> than VOCs) tend to fall in the range defined by the MIR and MOIR scales.

Since the EBIR scale represents lower  $\text{NO}_x$  conditions where  $\text{O}_3$  is less sensitive to VOCs, its use in applications requiring a single scale has not been considered. However, it is useful for assessing how reactivities depend on  $\text{NO}_x$  conditions.

Note that the MIR, MOIR, EBIR and base case scales derived in this work are somewhat different from those calculated previously (Carter, 1994a; Carter et al, 1993b) because an updated chemical mechanism was used. In addition, as indicated above, for computational efficiency the MIR, MOIR and EBIR scales were calculated using a single averaged conditions scenario, rather than the average of the adjusted  $\text{NO}_x$  base case scenarios as done previously (Carter, 1994a).

### Calculated Relative Reactivities of the DBEs

Table 8 gives the incremental reactivities calculated for the three dibasic esters, relative to ethane, for the various scenarios and scales. Also shown for comparison purposes are the relative reactivities of the base ROG mixture, which can be considered to be the weighted average reactivity for all VOCs measured in polluted urban atmospheres. The reactivities are given in an ozone formed per mass VOC emitted basis, and were calculated using effects of the VOCs on both peak ozone yields and on integrated ozone over the current U.S. standard of 0.12 ppm.

The atmospheric reactivity calculations for DBE-4 were carried out using both models "A" and "D" because they were both equally consistent with the chamber data. However, since we consider model A to be more chemically reasonable, calculations using that model are considered more likely to be correct. The results using Model A indicate that DBE-4 is about 65-80% as reactive as ethane on an ozone per gram basis, with the reactivity calculated using Model D being ~20-25% lower. The DBE-4 relative reactivities are not strongly dependent on scenario conditions or how  $\text{O}_3$  is quantified, though the relative reactivities calculated using Model A tend to increase slightly as  $\text{NO}_x$  is reduced, and the relative reactivities in the low  $\text{NO}_x$  scenarios calculated using Model D are somewhat higher if ozone is quantified by integrated ozone over the standard. However, in all but one scenario DBE-4 is calculated to have a lower ozone impact per gram than ethane, with the only exception being the New York scenario, where Model A predicts the DBE-4 ozone impact is ~25% greater than that of ethane.

DBE-5 is calculated to be ~1 - 1.25 times more reactive than ethane, on an ozone per gram basis. In contrast with DBE-4, the relative reactivities for DBE-5 are the highest in the high  $\text{NO}_x$  MIR scenario, and tend to decline as  $\text{NO}_x$  is reduced. As with DBE-4, the DBE-5 reactivities do not appear to be significantly affected by how ozone is quantified. Although DBE-5 is slightly more reactive than ethane in most scenarios, in no scenario is it more reactive than 1.5 times than of ethane, and it is less reactive than ethane in ~25% of the base case scenarios. Given that the DBE-5 mechanism tends to somewhat overpredict the  $\text{d}(\text{O}_3\text{-NO})$  reactivities in the low  $\text{NO}_x$  full surrogate scenarios (see Figures 13

Table 8. Summary of calculated incremental reactivities (gram basis) for the dibasic esters and the average for all ambient VOCs relative to ethane.

Scenario	O <sub>3</sub> Yield Relative Reactivities					IntO <sub>3</sub> >0.12 Relative Reactivities				
	DBE-4 [a]		DBE-5	DBE-6	Base ROG	DBE-4		DBE-5	DBE-6	Base ROG
	A	D				A	D			
<b><u>Averaged Conditions</u></b>										
Max React	0.65	0.53	1.27	4.2	13.1	0.67	0.58	1.29	4.3	14.4
Max Ozone	0.75	0.59	1.27	3.3	6.9	0.77	0.90	1.23	3.4	10.4
Equal Benefit	0.74	0.55	1.01	2.6	5.3	0.82	0.84	0.97	2.4	8.1
<b><u>Base Case</u></b>										
<b>Average</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>0.57</b>	<b>1.12</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>0.80</b>	<b>0.59</b>	<b>1.06</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>9.3</b>
<b>St.Dev</b>	<b>0.11</b>	<b>0.07</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>0.11</b>	<b>0.07</b>	<b>0.23</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>2.7</b>
ATL GA	0.74	0.55	1.02	2.7	6.0	0.83	0.59	1.01	2.4	8.4
AUS TX	0.69	0.53	0.82	2.3	5.2	0.83	0.61	0.80	1.8	7.3
BAL MD	0.78	0.60	1.37	3.6	6.5	0.78	0.59	1.32	3.7	11.5
BAT LA	0.83	0.62	1.13	2.5	6.6	0.91	0.67	1.10	2.3	9.7
BIR AL	0.67	0.52	1.03	2.8	4.3	0.73	0.54	0.92	2.5	7.7
BOS MA	0.78	0.59	1.22	2.9	5.0	0.84	0.62	1.18	2.8	8.1
CHA NC	0.65	0.49	0.75	2.2	4.9	0.72	0.52	0.69	1.8	6.1
CHI IL	0.75	0.56	0.60	1.4	3.7	0.93	0.65	0.58	0.7	7.3
CIN OH	0.71	0.54	1.19	3.2	5.3	0.74	0.55	1.14	3.2	8.2
CLE OH	0.78	0.58	1.19	3.1	6.8	0.81	0.60	1.18	3.2	11.3
DAL TX	0.70	0.56	1.21	3.4	8.5	0.72	0.56	1.16	3.4	11.6
DEN CO	0.84	0.60	1.22	3.2	9.2	0.84	0.61	1.22	3.3	13.7
DET MI	0.73	0.58	1.25	3.2	5.1	0.76	0.58	1.19	3.1	8.9
ELP TX	0.73	0.55	1.07	3.1	8.9	0.79	0.58	1.05	3.0	12.7
HAR CT	0.64	0.49	0.92	2.7	4.9	0.71	0.53	0.86	2.4	6.9
HOU TX	0.79	0.61	1.28	3.1	5.4	0.82	0.61	1.22	3.1	9.0
IND IN	0.72	0.55	1.12	3.0	6.4	0.75	0.56	1.05	2.9	9.4
JAC FL	0.76	0.55	0.85	2.2	6.2	0.82	0.58	0.76	1.8	7.6
KAN MO	0.67	0.53	1.13	3.1	5.2	0.73	0.55	1.06	2.9	7.1
LAK LA	0.92	0.68	1.08	2.0	4.5	1.02	0.72	0.90	1.2	7.4
LOS CA	0.93	0.66	1.35	3.1	6.9	0.88	0.63	1.18	2.9	11.8
LOU KY	0.75	0.59	1.24	2.9	5.4	0.79	0.60	1.17	2.8	7.5
MEM TN	0.78	0.59	1.17	2.8	4.9	0.83	0.61	1.12	2.7	7.6
MIA FL	0.60	0.43	0.36	1.4	5.6	0.62	0.43	0.32	1.2	5.9
NAS TN	0.65	0.50	0.89	2.4	4.3	0.66	0.47	0.70	1.9	5.2
NEW NY	1.25	0.89	1.38	2.0	5.9	1.23	0.87	1.45	2.3	11.4
PHI PA	0.78	0.60	1.27	3.1	6.0	0.81	0.61	1.22	3.1	9.0
PHO AZ	0.69	0.54	1.19	3.4	6.2	0.71	0.55	1.12	3.3	10.5
POR OR	0.70	0.54	1.06	2.7	5.8	0.77	0.57	1.02	2.5	7.2
RIC VA	0.73	0.56	1.22	3.2	5.4	0.77	0.58	1.20	3.2	8.7
SAC CA	0.65	0.50	1.10	3.0	5.9	0.67	0.50	1.00	2.9	8.4
SAI MO	0.80	0.61	1.32	3.4	7.1	0.80	0.60	1.26	3.4	12.2
SAL UT	0.63	0.48	0.97	2.9	5.4	0.70	0.50	0.91	2.7	8.6
SAN TX	0.68	0.52	1.16	3.3	8.0	0.68	0.52	1.13	3.3	8.6
SDO CA	0.85	0.60	1.14	2.7	8.5	0.90	0.64	1.12	2.6	10.9
SFO CA	0.72	0.57	1.36	4.8	18.3	0.73	0.58	1.36	4.8	20.2
TAM FL	0.80	0.62	1.26	3.0	7.5	0.82	0.63	1.20	3.1	10.9
TUL OK	0.81	0.63	1.35	3.2	5.6	0.81	0.61	1.30	3.3	9.0
WAS DC	0.76	0.60	1.28	3.1	5.2	0.79	0.60	1.21	3.1	8.9

[a] Results are shown for alternative mechanisms "A" and "D". Model A is considered to be more likely.

and 14, above), this mechanism may be slightly overestimating the DBE-5 reactivities in some of the lower NO<sub>x</sub> scenarios. However, the model performed reasonably well in simulating the DBE-5 reactivities in the higher NO<sub>x</sub> experiments more representative of or MIR scenario where DBE-5 is calculated to have the highest reactivities relative to ethane.

DBE-6 is calculated to have significantly higher ozone impacts than the other two dibasic esters, being ~3 - 4.5 times more reactive than ethane, depending on conditions. However, it is still not a highly reactive compound, since it is still calculated to be significantly less reactive than the mixture of VOCs measured in urban air (the "Base ROG" on Table 8). As with the other DBE's, the DBE-6 reactivities are not significantly affected by how ozone is quantified, though they are somewhat more dependent on NO<sub>x</sub> conditions, tending to decline as NO<sub>x</sub> is reduced. This higher reactivity for DBE-6 can be attributed to its relatively high rate constant, combined with the fact that it is predicted to form somewhat more reactive products than the other two DBEs. In particular, most of the reactive products predicted for DBE-4 and DBE-5 are various keto-esters or ester-acids, DBE-6 is predicted to form significant yields of aldehydes and  $\alpha$ -keto esters, which are believed to be more reactive. These two factors are enough to counter the effect of the somewhat higher nitrate yield predicted for DBE-6, which would tend to reduce its net reactivity.

## CONCLUSIONS

The decision whether it is appropriate to regulate a compound as an ozone precursor requires a qualitative assessment of its ozone impacts under a variety of environmental conditions. This involves developing a chemical mechanism for the gas-phase compounds atmospheric reactions which can be reliably used in airshed models to predict its atmospheric reactivity. Until this study, there was no information available concerning the atmospheric reaction rates or mechanisms for any of the dibasic esters. The objectives of this study was to measure the atmospheric reaction rates for the three representative dibasic esters, estimate their atmospheric reaction mechanisms, and to provide the data needed to verify the capabilities of those mechanisms to predict the atmospheric impacts for DBE-4 and DBE-5. We believe this program successfully addressed these objective.

The only significant gas-phase reaction of the dibasic esters under atmospheric conditions is reaction with OH radicals. The rate constants for the OH radical reaction were found to be  $(1.5 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-12}$ ,  $(3.5 \pm 1.1) \times 10^{-12}$  and  $(8.8 \pm 2.6) \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  for DBE-4, DBE-5 and DBE-6, respectively. The rate constants measured for DBE-4 and DBE-5 agree reasonably well with those predicted using structure-reactivity relationships (Kwok and Atkinson, 1995; Kwok et al. 1996), but the measured rate constant for DBE-6 exceeds the estimated value by almost a factor of two. Although these OH radical rate constants are higher than the rate constant of  $2.7 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  for ethane (Atkinson, 1989), the compound used by the EPA as the informal standard for determining "negligible" reactivity, on a per-mass basis the rate constants relative to ethane are respectively 0.9, 2.4, and 5.6. This means that if the amount reacted is quantified by mass, then DBE-4 reacts more slowly in the atmosphere than does ethane, but the other two DBEs are more reactive than ethane in this respect.

The mechanisms of the DBE reactions following OH attack are fairly complex and uncertain because the OH radicals can attack at two different positions for DBE-4 and three for DBE-5 and DBE-6, and because alkoxy radicals are predicted to be formed which can undergo a number of competing reactions, whose branching ratios are unknown. In addition, the overall organic nitrate yields from peroxy + NO reactions, an important factor affecting ozone reactivities of higher molecular weight compounds, are unknown. However, estimated mechanisms for DBE-4 and DBE-5, derived by applying structure-reactivity estimates for estimating relative rates of OH reaction at the different positions, and by applying alkoxy radical rate constant estimation methods developed for alkanes and alkenes, were found give reasonably satisfactory predictions of results of the environmental chamber experiments carried out under differing conditions, provided that the overall organic nitrate yields were optimized within their uncertainty range to fit the chamber data. The chamber data are not consistent with alternative mechanisms which predict significant formation of formaldehyde from DBE-4 or DBE-5, nor are they not consistent with

mechanisms which predict formation of significant yields of highly photoreactive products, as might be expected if compounds such as  $\alpha$ -keto esters were formed.

Both DBE-4 and DBE-5 tend to be OH radical inhibitors in atmospheric simulation systems, though not enough so that they are ozone inhibitors under most atmospheric conditions. This radical inhibition is attributed to the formation of organic nitrates in the reactions of peroxy radicals with NO. The DBE-4 and DBE-5 chamber data were best fit by models assuming overall nitrate yields of respectively 12% and 25%. These are not outside the expected uncertainty range for these compounds, and are respectively ~33% less and about the same as the nitrate yields formed from alkanes with the same number of carbons. This suggests that the nitrate yields of alkanes with the same number of carbons might be an appropriate basis for estimating the nitrate yields for DBE-6 and other esters for which there are no data. Based this, the nitrate yields for DBE-6 are estimated to be ~33%.

Although the DBE-4 and DBE-5 mechanisms are uncertain in their details, the reasonably good performance of these mechanisms in simulating the results of the chamber experiments, using two different ROG surrogates and NO<sub>x</sub> levels, suggests that they should give reasonable predictions of relative ozone impacts under various atmospheric conditions. The two alternative DBE-4 mechanisms which were consistent with the chamber data gave atmospheric reactivity predictions which differed by ~25-30% from each other. Although the DBE-4 mechanism giving the higher set of reactivity predictions is considered to be the more chemically reasonable, the ~30% difference between these two mechanisms give an indication of the effect of the chemical uncertainty in these atmospheric reactivity estimates. It is unlikely that chemically reasonable mechanisms could differ by much more than that in their atmospheric reactivity predictions and still be consistent with the chamber data.

When applied to atmospheric ozone impact simulations, the model predicted that DBE-4 is about 65% - 80% as reactive as ethane on an ozone formed per gram emitted basis, while DBE-5 is predicted to be about 1 - 1.25 times more reactive than ethane. The relative reactivities were not strongly dependent on scenario conditions or how ozone impacts are quantified. DBE-6 is predicted to be ~3 - 4.5 times more reactive than ethane, with the relative reactivity depending somewhat more on environmental conditions. The chamber data suggest that the DBE-4 and DBE-5 mechanisms may be slightly overestimating their ozone reactivities in the lower NO<sub>x</sub> scenarios, but as indicated above the error is unlikely to be greater than ~30%, and at present these represent our best estimates. Based on these results, we can conclude that DBE-4 is slightly less reactive than ethane on an ozone formed per gram basis, while DBE-5 is of comparable or only slightly higher reactivity. The estimated atmospheric reactivity for DBE-6 is more uncertain because the mechanism has not been experimentally tested, but it is reasonable to conclude that it is almost certainly more reactive than ethane, though less reactive than the average of all VOC emissions.

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**APPENDIX A**  
**LISTING OF THE CHEMICAL MECHANISM**

The chemical mechanism used in the environmental chamber and atmospheric model simulations discussed in this report is given in Tables A-1 through A-4. Table A-1 lists the species used in the mechanism, Table A-2 gives the reactions and rate constants, Table A-3 gives the parameters used to calculate the rates of the photolysis reactions, and Table A-4 gives the values and derivations of the chamber-dependent parameters used when modeling the environmental chamber experiments. Footnotes to Table A-2 indicate the format used for the reaction listing.

Table A-1. List of species in the chemical mechanism used in the model simulations for this study.

Name	Description
<b>Constant Species.</b>	
O <sub>2</sub>	Oxygen
M	Air
H <sub>2</sub> O	Water
<b>Active Inorganic Species.</b>	
O <sub>3</sub>	Ozone
NO	Nitric Oxide
NO <sub>2</sub>	Nitrogen Dioxide
NO <sub>3</sub>	Nitrate Radical
N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Nitrogen Pentoxide
HONO	Nitrous Acid
HNO <sub>3</sub>	Nitric Acid
HNO <sub>4</sub>	Peroxynitric Acid
HO <sub>2</sub> H	Hydrogen Peroxide
<b>Active Radical Species and Operators.</b>	
HO <sub>2</sub> .	Hydroperoxide Radicals
RO <sub>2</sub> .	Operator to Calculate Total Organic Peroxy Radicals
RCO <sub>3</sub> .	Operator to Calculate Total Acetyl Peroxy Radicals
<b>Active Reactive Organic Product Species.</b>	
CO	Carbon Monoxide
HCHO	Formaldehyde
CCHO	Acetaldehyde
RCHO	Lumped C <sub>3</sub> + Aldehydes
ACET	Acetone
MEK	Lumped Ketones

Table A-1, (continued)

Name	Description
PHEN	Phenol
CRES	Cresols
BALD	Aromatic aldehydes (e.g., benzaldehyde)
GLY	Glyoxal
MGLY	Methyl Glyoxal
BACL	Biacetyl or other lumped $\alpha$ -dicarbonyls, including $\alpha$ -keto esters
AFG1	Reactive Aromatic Fragmentation Products from benzene and naphthalene
AFG2	Other Reactive Aromatic Fragmentation Products
AFG3	Aromatic Fragmentation Products used in adjusted m-xylene mechanism
RNO3	Organic Nitrates
NPHE	Nitrophenols
ISOPROD	Lumped isoprene product species
PAN	Peroxy Acetyl Nitrate
PPN	Peroxy Propionyl Nitrate
GPAN	PAN Analogue formed from Glyoxal
PBZN	PAN Analogues formed from Aromatic Aldehydes
-OOH	Operator Representing Hydroperoxy Groups
<b>Non-Reacting Species</b>	
CO2	Carbon Dioxide
-C	"Lost Carbon"
-N	"Lost Nitrogen"
H2	Hydrogen
<b>Steady State Species and Operators.</b>	
HO.	Hydroxyl Radicals
O	Ground State Oxygen Atoms
O*1D2	Excited Oxygen Atoms
RO2-R.	Peroxy Radical Operator representing NO to NO <sub>2</sub> conversion with HO <sub>2</sub> formation.
RO2-N.	Peroxy Radical Operator representing NO consumption with organic nitrate formation.
RO2-NP.	Peroxy Radical Operator representing NO consumption with nitrophenol formation
R2O2.	Peroxy Radical Operator representing NO to NO <sub>2</sub> conversion.
CCO-O2.	Peroxy Acetyl Radicals
C2CO-O2.	Peroxy Propionyl Radicals
HCOCO-O2.	Peroxyacyl Radical formed from Glyoxal
BZ-CO-O2.	Peroxyacyl Radical formed from Aromatic Aldehydes
HOCOO.	Intermediate formed in Formaldehyde + HO <sub>2</sub> reaction
BZ-O.	Phenoxy Radicals
BZ(NO2)-O.	Nitratophenoxy Radicals
HOCOO.	Radical Intermediate formed in the HO <sub>2</sub> + Formaldehyde system.
(HCHO2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from =CH <sub>2</sub> groups
(CCHO2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from =CHCH <sub>3</sub> groups
(RCHO2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from =CHR groups, where R not CH <sub>3</sub>
(C(C)CO2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from =C(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> groups

Table A-1, (continued)

Name	Description
(C(R)CO2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from =C(CH <sub>3</sub> )R or CR <sub>2</sub> groups
(BZCHO2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from styrenes
(C:CC(C)O2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from isoprene
(C:C(C)CHO2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from isoprene
(C2(O2)CHO)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from isoprene products
(HOCCHO2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from isoprene products
(HCOCHO2)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from isoprene products
(C2(O2)COH)	Excited Criegee biradicals formed from isoprene products
<b>Primary Organics Represented explicitly</b>	
CH4	Methane
ISOP	Isoprene
APIN	α-Pinene
UNKN	Unknown biogenics.
DBE-4	Dimethyl Succinate, CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)OCH <sub>3</sub>
DEE-5	Dimethyl Glutarate, CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)OCH <sub>3</sub>
DEB-6	Dimethyl Adipate, CH <sub>3</sub> OC(O)CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C(O)OCH <sub>3</sub>
<b>Lumped species used to represent the Base ROG mixture in the EKMA model simulations.</b>	
ALK1	Alkanes and other saturated compounds with $k_{OH} < 10^4 \text{ ppm}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ .
ALK2	Alkanes and other saturated compounds with $k_{OH} \geq 10^4 \text{ ppm}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ .
ARO1	Aromatics with $k_{OH} < 2 \times 10^4 \text{ ppm}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ .
ARO2	Aromatics with $k_{OH} \geq 2 \times 10^4 \text{ ppm}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ .
OLE2	Alkenes (other than ethene) with $k_{OH} < 7 \times 10^4 \text{ ppm}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ .
OLE3	Alkenes with $k_{OH} \geq 7 \times 10^4 \text{ ppm}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ .

Table A-2. List of reactions in the chemical mechanism used in the model simulations for this study.

Rxn.	Kinetic Parameters [a]				Reactions [b]
Label	k(300)	A	Ea	B	
<b>Inorganic Reactions</b>					
1	(Phot. Set = NO2 )				NO2 + HV = NO + O
2	6.00E-34	6.00E-34	0.00	-2.30	O + O2 + M = O3 + M
3A	9.69E-12	6.50E-12	-0.24	0.00	O + NO2 = NO + O2
3B	1.55E-12	(Falloff Kinetics)			O + NO2 = NO3 + M
	k0 =	9.00E-32	0.00	-2.00	
	kINF =	2.20E-11	0.00	0.00	
	F=	0.60	n=	1.00	
4	1.88E-14	2.00E-12	2.78	0.00	O3 + NO = NO2 + O2
5	3.36E-17	1.40E-13	4.97	0.00	O3 + NO2 = O2 + NO3
6	2.80E-11	1.70E-11	-0.30	0.00	NO + NO3 = 2 NO2
7	1.92E-38	3.30E-39	-1.05	0.00	NO + NO + O2 = 2 NO2
8	1.26E-12	(Falloff Kinetics)			NO2 + NO3 = N2O5
	k0 =	2.20E-30	0.00	-4.30	
	kINF =	1.50E-12	0.00	-0.50	
	F=	0.60	n=	1.00	
9	5.53E+10	9.09E+26	22.26	0.00	N2O5 + #RCON8 = NO2 + NO3
10	1.00E-21	(No T Dependence)			N2O5 + H2O = 2 HNO3
11	4.17E-16	2.50E-14	2.44	0.00	NO2 + NO3 = NO + NO2 + O2
12A	(Phot. Set = NO3NO )				NO3 + HV = NO + O2
12B	(Phot. Set = NO3NO2 )				NO3 + HV = NO2 + O
13A	(Phot. Set = O3O3P )				O3 + HV = O + O2
13B	(Phot. Set = O3O1D )				O3 + HV = O*1D2 + O2
14	2.20E-10	(No T Dependence)			O*1D2 + H2O = 2 HO.
15	2.92E-11	1.92E-11	-0.25	0.00	O*1D2 + M = O + M
16	4.81E-12	(Falloff Kinetics)			HO. + NO = HONO
	k0 =	7.00E-31	0.00	-2.60	
	kINF =	1.50E-11	0.00	-0.50	
	F=	0.60	n=	1.00	
17	(Phot. Set = HONO )				HONO + HV = HO. + NO
18	1.13E-11	(Falloff Kinetics)			HO. + NO2 = HNO3
	k0 =	2.60E-30	0.00	-3.20	
	kINF =	2.40E-11	0.00	-1.30	
	F=	0.60	n=	1.00	
19	1.03E-13	6.45E-15	-1.65	0.00	HO. + HNO3 = H2O + NO3
21	2.40E-13	(No T Dependence)			HO. + CO = HO2. + CO2
22	6.95E-14	1.60E-12	1.87	0.00	HO. + O3 = HO2. + O2
23	8.28E-12	3.70E-12	-0.48	0.00	HO2. + NO = HO. + NO2
24	1.37E-12	(Falloff Kinetics)			HO2. + NO2 = HNO4
	k0 =	1.80E-31	0.00	-3.20	
	kINF =	4.70E-12	0.00	-1.40	
	F=	0.60	n=	1.00	
25	7.92E+10	4.76E+26	21.66	0.00	HNO4 + #RCON24 = HO2. + NO2
27	4.61E-12	1.30E-12	-0.75	0.00	HNO4 + HO. = H2O + NO2 + O2
28	2.08E-15	1.10E-14	0.99	0.00	HO2. + O3 = HO. + 2 O2
29A	1.73E-12	2.20E-13	-1.23	0.00	HO2. + HO2. = HO2H + O2
29B	5.00E-32	1.90E-33	-1.95	0.00	HO2. + HO2. + M = HO2H + O2
29C	3.72E-30	3.10E-34	-5.60	0.00	HO2. + HO2. + H2O = HO2H + O2 + H2O
29D	2.65E-30	6.60E-35	-6.32	0.00	HO2. + HO2. + H2O = HO2H + O2 + H2O
30A	1.73E-12	2.20E-13	-1.23	0.00	NO3 + HO2. = HNO3 + O2
30B	5.00E-32	1.90E-33	-1.95	0.00	NO3 + HO2. + M = HNO3 + O2
30C	3.72E-30	3.10E-34	-5.60	0.00	NO3 + HO2. + H2O = HNO3 + O2 + H2O
30D	2.65E-30	6.60E-35	-6.32	0.00	NO3 + HO2. + H2O = HNO3 + O2 + H2O
31	(Phot. Set = H2O2 )				HO2H + HV = 2 HO.
32	1.70E-12	3.30E-12	0.40	0.00	HO2H + HO. = HO2. + H2O
33	9.90E-11	4.60E-11	-0.46	0.00	HO. + HO2. = H2O + O2
<b>Peroxy Radical Operators</b>					
B1	7.68E-12	4.20E-12	-0.36	0.00	RO2. + NO = NO
B2	2.25E-11	(Falloff Kinetics)			RCO3. + NO = NO
	k0 =	5.65E-28	0.00	-7.10	
	kINF =	2.64E-11	0.00	-0.90	
	F=	0.27	n=	1.00	
B4	1.04E-11	(Falloff Kinetics)			RCO3. + NO2 = NO2
	k0 =	2.57E-28	0.00	-7.10	
	kINF =	1.20E-11	0.00	-0.90	
	F=	0.30	n=	1.00	
B5	4.90E-12	3.40E-13	-1.59	0.00	RO2. + HO2. = HO2. + RO2-HO2-PROD
B6	4.90E-12	3.40E-13	-1.59	0.00	RCO3. + HO2. = HO2. + RO2-HO2-PROD
B8	1.00E-15	(No T Dependence)			RO2. + RO2. = RO2-RO2-PROD
B9	1.09E-11	1.86E-12	-1.05	0.00	RO2. + RCO3. = RO2-RO2-PROD

Table A-2 (continued)

Rxn.	Kinetic Parameters [a]				Reactions [b]
Label	k(300)	A	Ea	B	
B10	1.64E-11	2.80E-12	-1.05	0.00	RCO3. + RCO3. = RO2-RO2-PROD
B11	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-R. + NO = NO2 + HO2.
B12	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-R. + HO2. = -OOH
B13	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-R. + RO2. = RO2. + 0.5 HO2.
B14	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-R. + RCO3. = RCO3. + 0.5 HO2.
B19	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-N. + NO = RNO3
B20	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-N. + HO2. = -OOH + MEK + 1.5 -C
B21	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-N. + RO2. = RO2. + 0.5 HO2. + MEK + 1.5 -C
B22	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-N. + RCO3. = RCO3. + 0.5 HO2. + MEK + 1.5 -C
B15	(Same k as for RO2.	)			R2O2. + NO = NO2
B16	(Same k as for RO2.	)			R2O2. + HO2. =
B17	(Same k as for RO2.	)			R2O2. + RO2. = RO2.
B18	(Same k as for RO2.	)			R2O2. + RCO3. = RCO3.
B23	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-XN. + NO = -N
B24	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-XN. + HO2. = -OOH
B25	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-XN. + RO2. = RO2. + 0.5 HO2.
B26	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-XN. + RCO3. = RCO3. + HO2.
G2	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-NP. + NO = NPHE
G3	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-NP. + HO2. = -OOH + 6 -C
G4	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-NP. + RO2. = RO2. + 0.5 HO2. + 6 -C
G5	(Same k as for RO2.	)			RO2-NP. + RCO3. = RCO3. + HO2. + 6 -C
<b>Excited Criegee Biradicals</b>					
RZ1	(fast)				(HCHO2) = 0.7 HCOOH + 0.12 "HO. + HO2. + CO" + 0.18 "H2 + CO2"
RZ2	(fast)				(CCHO2) = 0.25 CCOOH + 0.15 "CH4 + CO2" + 0.6 HO. + 0.3 "CCO-O2. + RCO3." + 0.3 "RO2-R. + HCHO + CO + RO2."
RZ3	(fast)				(RCHO2) = 0.25 CCOOH + 0.15 CO2 + 0.6 HO. + 0.3 "C2CO-O2. + RCO3." + 0.3 "RO2-R. + CCHO + CO + RO2." + 0.55 -C
RZ4	(fast)				(C(C)CO2) = HO. + R2O2. + HCHO + CCO-O2. + RCO3. + RO2.
RZ5	(fast)				(C(R)CO2) = HO. + CCO-O2. + CCHO + R2O2. + RCO3. + RO2.
RZ6	(fast)				(CYCCO2) = 0.3 "HO. + C2CO-O2. + R2O2. + RCO3. + RO2." + 0.3 RCHO + 4.2 -C
RZ8	(fast)				(BZCHO2) = 0.5 "BZ-O. + R2O2. + CO + HO."
ISZ1	(fast)				(C:CC(C)O2) = HO. + R2O2. + HCHO + C2CO-O2. + RO2. + RCO3.
ISZ2	(fast)				(C:C(C)CHO2) = 0.75 RCHO + 0.25 ISOPROD + 0.5 -C
MAZ1	(fast)				(C2(O2)CHO) = HO. + R2O2. + HCHO + HCOCO-O2. + RO2. + RCO3.
MLZ1	(fast)				(HOCCHO2) = 0.6 HO. + 0.3 "CCO-O2. + RCO3." + 0.3 "RO2-R. + HCHO + CO + RO2." + 0.8 -C
M2Z1	(fast)				(HCOCHO2) = 0.12 "HO2. + 2 CO + HO." + 0.74 -C + 0.51 "CO2 + HCHO"
M2Z2	(fast)				(C2(O2)COH) = HO. + MGly + HO2. + R2O2. + RO2.
<b>Organic Product Species</b>					
B7	(Phot. Set = CO2H	)			-OOH + HV = HO2. + HO.
B7A	1.81E-12	1.18E-12	-0.25	0.00	HO. + -OOH = HO.
B7B	3.71E-12	1.79E-12	-0.44	0.00	HO. + -OOH = RO2-R. + RO2.
C1	(Phot. Set = HCHONEWR)				HCHO + HV = 2 HO2. + CO
C2	(Phot. Set = HCHONEWM)				HCHO + HV = H2 + CO
C3	9.76E-12	1.13E-12	-1.29	2.00	HCHO + HO. = HO2. + CO + H2O
C4	7.79E-14	9.70E-15	-1.24	0.00	HCHO + HO2. = HOCOO.
C4A	1.77E+02	2.40E+12	13.91	0.00	HOCOO. = HO2. + HCHO
C4B	(Same k as for RO2.	)			HOCOO. + NO = -C + NO2 + HO2.
C9	6.38E-16	2.80E-12	5.00	0.00	HCHO + NO3 = HNO3 + HO2. + CO
C10	1.57E-11	5.55E-12	-0.62	0.00	CCHO + HO. = CCO-O2. + H2O + RCO3.
C11A	(Phot. Set = CCHOR	)			CCHO + HV = CO + HO2. + HCHO + RO2-R. + RO2.
C12	2.84E-15	1.40E-12	3.70	0.00	CCHO + NO3 = HNO3 + CCO-O2. + RCO3.
C25	1.97E-11	8.50E-12	-0.50	0.00	RCHO + HO. = C2CO-O2. + RCO3.
C26	(Phot. Set = RCHO	)			RCHO + HV = CCHO + RO2-R. + RO2. + CO + HO2.
C27	2.84E-15	1.40E-12	3.70	0.00	NO3 + RCHO = HNO3 + C2CO-O2. + RCO3.
C38	2.23E-13	4.81E-13	0.46	2.00	ACET + HO. = R2O2. + HCHO + CCO-O2. + RCO3. + RO2.



Table A-2 (continued)

Rxn.	Kinetic Parameters [a]				Reactions [b]
Label	k(300)	A	Ea	B	
C39		(Phot. Set = ACET-93C)			ACET + HV = CCO-O2. + HCHO + RO2-R. + RCO3. + RO2.
C44	1.16E-12	2.92E-13	-0.82	2.00	MEK + HO. = H2O + 0.5 "CCHO + HCHO + CCO-O2. + C2CO-O2." + RCO3. + 1.5 "R2O2. + RO2."
C57		(Phot. Set = KETONE )			MEK + HV + #0.1 = CCO-O2. + CCHO + RO2-R. + RCO3. + RO2.
C95	2.07E-12	2.19E-11	1.41	0.00	RNO3 + HO. = NO2 + 0.155 MEK + 1.05 RCHO + 0.48 CCHO + 0.16 HCHO + 0.11 -C + 1.39 "R2O2. + RO2."
C58A		(Phot. Set = GLYOXAL1)			GLY + HV = 0.8 HO2. + 0.45 HCHO + 1.55 CO
C58B		(Phot. Set = MEGLYOX2)			MGLY + HV + #0.029 = 0.13 HCHO + 1.87 CO
C59	1.14E-11	(No T Dependence)			GLY + HO. = 0.6 HO2. + 1.2 CO + 0.4 "HCOCO-O2. + RCO3."
C60		(Same k as for CCHO )			GLY + NO3 = HNO3 + 0.6 HO2. + 1.2 CO + 0.4 "HCOCO-O2. + RCO3."
C68A		(Phot. Set = MEGLYOX1)			MGLY + HV = HO2. + CO + CCO-O2. + RCO3.
C68B		(Phot. Set = MEGLYOX2)			MGLY + HV + 0.107 = HO2. + CO + CCO-O2. + RCO3.
C69	1.72E-11	(No T Dependence)			MGLY + HO. = CO + CCO-O2. + RCO3.
C70		(Same k as for CCHO )			MGLY + NO3 = HNO3 + CO + CCO-O2. + RCO3.
G7	1.14E-11	(No T Dependence)			HO. + AFG1 = HCOCO-O2. + RCO3.
G8		(Phot. Set = ACROLEIN)			AFG1 + HV + #0.029 = HO2. + HCOCO-O2. + RCO3.
U2OH	1.72E-11	(No T Dependence)			HO. + AFG2 = C2CO-O2. + RCO3.
U2HV		(Phot. Set = ACROLEIN)			AFG2 + HV = HO2. + CO + CCO-O2. + RCO3.
G46	2.63E-11	(No T Dependence)			HO. + PHEN = 0.15 RO2-NP. + 0.85 RO2-R. + 0.2 GLY + 4.7 -C + RO2.
G51	3.60E-12	(No T Dependence)			NO3 + PHEN = HNO3 + BZ-O.
G52	4.20E-11	(No T Dependence)			HO. + CRES = 0.15 RO2-NP. + 0.85 RO2-R. + 0.2 MGLY + 5.5 -C + RO2.
G57	2.10E-11	(No T Dependence)			NO3 + CRES = HNO3 + BZ-O. + -C
G30	1.29E-11	(No T Dependence)			BALD + HO. = BZ-CO-O2. + RCO3.
G31		(Phot. Set = BZCHO )			BALD + HV + #0.05 = 7 -C
G32	2.61E-15	1.40E-12	3.75	0.00	BALD + NO3 = HNO3 + BZ-CO-O2.
G58	3.60E-12	(No T Dependence)			NPHE + NO3 = HNO3 + BZ(NO2)-O.
G59		(Same k as for BZ-O. )			BZ(NO2)-O. + NO2 = 2 -N + 6 -C
G60		(Same k as for RO2. )			BZ(NO2)-O. + HO2. = NPHE
G61		(Same k as for BZ-O. )			BZ(NO2)-O. = NPHE
C13		(Same k as for RCO3. )			CCO-O2. + NO = CO2 + NO2 + HCHO + RO2-R. + RO2.
C14		(Same k as for RCO3. )			CCO-O2. + NO2 = PAN
C15		(Same k as for RCO3. )			CCO-O2. + HO2. = -OOH + CO2 + HCHO
C16		(Same k as for RCO3. )			CCO-O2. + RO2. = RO2. + 0.5 HO2. + CO2 + HCHO
C17		(Same k as for RCO3. )			CCO-O2. + RCO3. = RCO3. + HO2. + CO2 + HCHO
C18	6.50E-04	(Falloff Kinetics)			PAN = CCO-O2. + NO2 + RCO3.
	k0 =	4.90E-03	23.97	0.00	
	kINF =	4.00E+16	27.08	0.00	
		F= 0.30	n= 1.00		
C28		(Same k as for RCO3. )			C2CO-O2. + NO = CCHO + RO2-R. + CO2 + NO2 + RO2.
C29	8.40E-12	(No T Dependence)			C2CO-O2. + NO2 = PPN
C30		(Same k as for RCO3. )			C2CO-O2. + HO2. = -OOH + CCHO + CO2
C31		(Same k as for RCO3. )			C2CO-O2. + RO2. = RO2. + 0.5 HO2. + CCHO + CO2
C32		(Same k as for RCO3. )			C2CO-O2. + RCO3. = RCO3. + HO2. + CCHO + CO2
C33	6.78E-04	1.60E+17	27.97	0.00	PPN = C2CO-O2. + NO2 + RCO3.
C62		(Same k as for RCO3. )			HCOCO-O2. + NO = NO2 + CO2 + CO + HO2.
C63		(Same k as for RCO3. )			HCOCO-O2. + NO2 = GPAN
C65		(Same k as for RCO3. )			HCOCO-O2. + HO2. = -OOH + CO2 + CO
C66		(Same k as for RCO3. )			HCOCO-O2. + RO2. = RO2. + 0.5 HO2. + CO2 + CO
C67		(Same k as for RCO3. )			HCOCO-O2. + RCO3. = RCO3. + HO2. + CO2 + CO
C64		(Same k as for PAN )			GPAN = HCOCO-O2. + NO2 + RCO3.
G33		(Same k as for RCO3. )			BZ-CO-O2. + NO = BZ-O. + CO2 + NO2 + R2O2. + RO2.
G43	3.53E-11	1.30E-11	-0.60	0.00	BZ-O. + NO2 = NPHE
G44		(Same k as for RO2. )			BZ-O. + HO2. = PHEN
G45	1.00E-03	(No T Dependence)			BZ-O. = PHEN
G34	8.40E-12	(No T Dependence)			BZ-CO-O2. + NO2 = PBZN
G36		(Same k as for RCO3. )			BZ-CO-O2. + HO2. = -OOH + CO2 + PHEN
G37		(Same k as for RCO3. )			BZ-CO-O2. + RO2. = RO2. + 0.5 HO2. + CO2 + PHEN

Table A-2 (continued)

Rxn.	Kinetic Parameters [a]				Reactions [b]
Label	k(300)	A	Ea	B	
G38	(Same k as for RCO3.)				BZ-CO-O2. + RCO3. = RCO3. + HO2. + CO2 + PHEN
G35	2.17E-04	1.60E+15	25.90	0.00	PBZN = BZ-CO-O2. + NO2 + RCO3.
IPOH	3.36E-11	(No T Dependence)			ISOPROD + HO. = 0.293 CO + 0.252 CCHO + 0.126 HCHO + 0.041 GLY + 0.021 RCHO + 0.168 MGLY + 0.314 MEK + 0.503 RO2-R. + 0.21 CCO-O2. + 0.288 C2CO-O2. + 0.21 R2O2. + 0.713 RO2. + 0.498 RCO3. + -0.112 -C
IPO3	7.11E-18	(No T Dependence)			ISOPROD + O3 = 0.02 CCHO + 0.04 HCHO + 0.01 GLY + 0.84 MGLY + 0.09 MEK + 0.66 (HCHO2) + 0.09 (HCOCHO2) + 0.18 (HOCCHO2) + 0.06 (C2(O2)CHO) + 0.01 (C2(O2)COH) + -0.39 -C
IPHV	(Phot. Set = ACROLEIN)				ISOPROD + HV + 0.0036 = 0.333 CO + 0.067 CCHO + 0.9 HCHO + 0.033 MEK + 0.333 HO2. + 0.7 RO2-R. + 0.267 CCO-O2. + 0.7 C2CO-O2. + 0.7 RO2. + 0.967 RCO3. + -0.133 -C
IPN3	1.00E-15	(No T Dependence)			ISOPROD + NO3 = 0.643 CO + 0.282 HCHO + 0.85 RNO3 + 0.357 RCHO + 0.925 HO2. + 0.075 C2CO-O2. + 0.075 R2O2. + 0.925 RO2. + 0.075 RCO3. + 0.075 HNO3 + -2.471 -C
<b>Hydrocarbon Species Represented Explicitly</b>					
	2.56E-12	1.36E-12	-0.38	2.00	N-C4 + HO. = 0.076 RO2-N. + 0.924 RO2-R. + 0.397 R2O2. + 0.001 HCHO + 0.571 CCHO + 0.14 RCHO + 0.533 MEK + -0.076 -C + 1.397 RO2.
	5.63E-12	1.35E-11	0.52	0.00	N-C6 + HO. = 0.185 RO2-N. + 0.815 RO2-R. + 0.738 R2O2. + 0.02 CCHO + 0.105 RCHO + 1.134 MEK + 0.186 -C + 1.738 RO2.
	8.76E-12	3.15E-11	0.76	0.00	N-C8 + HO. = 0.333 RO2-N. + 0.667 RO2-R. + 0.706 R2O2. + 0.002 RCHO + 1.333 MEK + 0.998 -C + 1.706 RO2.
	8.43E-12	1.96E-12	-0.87	0.00	ETHENE + HO. = RO2-R. + RO2. + 1.56 HCHO + 0.22 CCHO
	1.68E-18	9.14E-15	5.13	0.00	ETHENE + O3 = HCHO + (HCHO2)
	2.18E-16	4.39E-13	4.53	2.00	ETHENE + NO3 = R2O2. + RO2. + 2 HCHO + NO2
	7.42E-13	1.04E-11	1.57	0.00	ETHENE + O = RO2-R. + HO2. + RO2. + HCHO + CO
	2.60E-11	4.85E-12	-1.00	0.00	PROPENE + HO. = RO2-R. + RO2. + HCHO + CCHO
	1.05E-17	5.51E-15	3.73	0.00	PROPENE + O3 = 0.6 HCHO + 0.4 CCHO + 0.4 (HCHO2) + 0.6 (CCHO2)
	9.74E-15	4.59E-13	2.30	0.00	PROPENE + NO3 = R2O2. + RO2. + HCHO + CCHO + NO2
	4.01E-12	1.18E-11	0.64	0.00	PROPENE + O = 0.4 HO2. + 0.5 RCHO + 0.5 MEK + -0.5 -C
	6.30E-11	1.01E-11	-1.09	0.00	T-2-BUTE + HO. = RO2-R. + RO2. + 2 CCHO
	1.95E-16	6.64E-15	2.10	0.00	T-2-BUTE + O3 = CCHO + (CCHO2)
	3.92E-13	1.10E-13	-0.76	2.00	T-2-BUTE + NO3 = R2O2. + RO2. + 2 CCHO + NO2
	2.34E-11	2.26E-11	-0.02	0.00	T-2-BUTE + O = 0.4 HO2. + 0.5 RCHO + 0.5 MEK + 0.5 -C
	9.88E-11	2.54E-11	-0.81	0.00	ISOP + HO. = 0.088 RO2-N. + 0.912 RO2-R. + 0.629 HCHO + 0.912 ISOPROD + 0.079 R2O2. + 1.079 RO2. + 0.283 -C
	1.34E-17	7.86E-15	3.80	0.00	ISOP + O3 = 0.4 HCHO + 0.6 ISOPROD + 0.55 (HCHO2) + 0.2 (C:CC(C)O2) + 0.2 (C:C(C)CHO2) + 0.05 -C
	3.60E-11	(No T Dependence)			ISOP + O = 0.75 "ISOPROD + -C " + 0.25 "C2CO-O2. + RCO3. + 2 HCHO + RO2-R. + RO2."
	6.81E-13	3.03E-12	0.89	0.00	ISOP + NO3 = 0.8 "RCHO + RNO3 + RO2-R." + 0.2 "ISOPROD + R2O2. + NO2" + RO2. + -2.2 -C
	1.50E-19	(No T Dependence)			ISOP + NO2 = 0.8 "RCHO + RNO3 + RO2-R." + 0.2 "ISOPROD + R2O2. + NO" + RO2. + -2.2 -C
	5.31E-11	1.21E-11	-0.88	0.00	APIN + HO. = RO2-R. + RCHO + RO2. + 7 -C
	1.00E-16	9.90E-16	1.37	0.00	APIN + O3 = 0.05 HCHO + 0.2 CCHO + 0.5 RCHO + 0.61 MEK + 0.075 CO + 0.05 CCO-O2. + 0.05 C2CO-O2. + 0.1 RCO3. + 0.105 HO2. + 0.16 HO. + 0.135 RO2-R. + 0.15 R2O2. + 0.285 RO2. + 5.285 -C
	6.10E-12	1.19E-12	-0.97	0.00	APIN + NO3 = NO2 + R2O2. + RCHO + RO2. + 7 -C
	3.00E-11	(No T Dependence)			APIN + O = 0.4 HO2. + 0.5 MEK + 0.5 RCHO + 6.5 -C
	6.57E-11	(No T Dependence)			UNKN + HO. = RO2-R. + RO2. + 0.5 HCHO + RCHO + 6.5 -C
	5.85E-17	(No T Dependence)			UNKN + O3 = 0.135 RO2-R. + 0.135 HO2. + 0.075 R2O2. + 0.21 RO2. + 0.025 CCO-O2. + 0.025 C2CO-O2. + 0.05 RCO3. + 0.275 HCHO + 0.175 CCHO + 0.5 RCHO + 0.41 MEK + 0.185 CO + 5.925 -C + 0.11 HO.
	4.30E-12	(No T Dependence)			UNKN + NO3 = R2O2. + RO2. + 0.5 HCHO + RCHO + 6.5 -C + NO2

Table A-2 (continued)

Rxn.	Kinetic Parameters [a]				Reactions [b]
Label	k(300)	A	Ea	B	
2.90E-11		(No T Dependence)			UNKN + O = 0.4 HO2. + 0.5 RCHO + 0.5 MEK + 6.5 -C
5.91E-12	1.81E-12	-0.70	0.00		TOLUENE + HO. = 0.085 BALD + 0.26 CRES + 0.118 GLY + 0.847 MGLY + 0.276 AFG2 + 0.74 RO2-R. + 0.26 HO2. + 0.981 -C + 0.74 RO2.
2.36E-11		(No T Dependence)			M-XYLENE + HO. = 0.04 BALD + 0.18 CRES + 0.108 GLY + 1.554 MGLY + 0.505 AFG2 + 0.82 RO2-R. + 0.18 HO2. + 0.068 -C + 0.82 RO2.
<b>Lumped Species used in EKMA Simulations [c]</b>					
A1OH	3.46E-12	2.56E-12	-0.18	0.00	ALK1 + HO. = 0.911 RO2-R. + 0.074 RO2-N. + 0.005 RO2-XN. + 0.011 HO2. + 0.575 R2O2. + 1.564 RO2. + 0.065 HCHO + 0.339 CCHO + 0.196 RCHO + 0.322 ACET + 0.448 MEK + 0.024 CO + 0.025 GLY + 0.051 -C
A2OH	9.14E-12	5.12E-12	-0.35	0.00	ALK2 + HO. = 0.749 RO2-R. + 0.249 RO2-N. + 0.002 RO2-XN. + 0.891 R2O2. + 1.891 RO2. + 0.029 HCHO + 0.048 CCHO + 0.288 RCHO + 0.028 ACET + 1.105 MEK + 0.043 CO + 0.018 CO2 + 1.268 -C
B1OH	5.87E-12	(No T Dependence)			ARO1 + HO. = 0.742 RO2-R. + 0.258 HO2. + 0.742 RO2. + 0.015 PHEN + 0.244 CRES + 0.08 BALD + 0.124 GLY + 0.681 MGLY + 0.11 AFG1 + 0.244 AFG2 + 1.857 -C
B2OH	3.22E-11	1.20E-11	-0.59	0.00	ARO2 + HO. = 0.82 RO2-R. + 0.18 HO2. + 0.82 RO2. + 0.18 CRES + 0.036 BALD + 0.068 GLY + 1.02 MGLY + 0.532 AFG2 + 2.588 -C
O2OH	3.17E-11	2.22E-12	-1.59	0.00	OLE2 + HO. = 0.858 RO2-R. + 0.142 RO2-N. + RO2. + 0.858 HCHO + 0.252 CCHO + 0.606 RCHO + 1.267 -C
O2O3	1.08E-17	1.42E-15	2.91	0.00	OLE2 + O3 = 0.6 HCHO + 0.635 RCHO + 0.981 -C + 0.4 (HCHO2) + 0.529 (CCHO2) + 0.071 (RCHO2)
O2N3	1.16E-14	1.99E-13	1.69	0.00	OLE2 + NO3 = R2O2. + RO2. + HCHO + 0.294 CCHO + 0.706 RCHO + 1.451 -C + NO2
O2OA	4.11E-12	4.51E-12	0.06	0.00	OLE2 + O = 0.4 HO2. + 0.5 RCHO + 0.5 MEK + 1.657 -C
O3OH	6.23E-11	4.54E-12	-1.56	0.00	OLE3 + HO. = 0.861 RO2-R. + 0.139 RO2-N. + RO2. + 0.24 HCHO + 0.661 CCHO + 0.506 RCHO + 0.113 ACET + 0.086 MEK + 0.057 BALD + 0.848 -C
O3O3	1.70E-16	1.77E-15	1.40	0.00	OLE3 + O3 = 0.203 HCHO + 0.358 CCHO + 0.309 RCHO + 0.061 MEK + 0.027 BALD + 0.976 -C + 0.076 (HCHO2) + 0.409 (CCHO2) + 0.279 (RCHO2) + 0.158 (C(C)CO2 + 0.039 (C(R)CO2 + 0.04 (BZCHO2)
O3N3	1.07E-12	3.19E-13	-0.72	0.00	OLE3 + NO3 = R2O2. + RO2. + 0.278 HCHO + 0.767 CCHO + 0.588 RCHO + 0.131 ACET + 0.1 MEK + 0.066 BALD + 0.871 -C + NO2
O3OA	2.52E-11	8.66E-12	-0.64	0.00	OLE3 + O = 0.4 HO2. + 0.5 RCHO + 0.5 MEK + 2.205 -C
<b>Dibasic Esters [d]</b>					
1.50E-12		(No T Dependence)			DBE-4 + HO. = 0.12 RO2-N. + 0.88 RO2-R. + 0.62 R2O2. + 0.88 MEK + 0.88 CO + -C + 1.62 RO2. ( <b>Model "A"</b> )
1.50E-12		(No T Dependence)			DBE-4 + HO. = 0.14 RO2-N. + 0.86 RO2-R. + 0.6 R2O2. + 0.6 HCHO + 0.6 RCHO + 0.26 MEK + 0.26 CO + 0.6 CO2 + -C + 1.6 RO2. ( <b>Model "B"</b> )
1.50E-12		(No T Dependence)			DBE-4 + HO. = 0.28 RO2-N. + 0.72 RO2-R. + 0.22 MEK + 0.22 CO + 1.5 -C + 0.5 BACL + RO2. ( <b>Model "C"</b> )
1.50E-12		(No T Dependence)			DBE-4 + HO. = 0.1 RO2-N. + 0.9 RO2-R. + 0.9 MEK + 0.27 CO + 1.63 -C + RO2. ( <b>Model "D"</b> )
3.50E-12		(No T Dependence)			DBE-5 + HO. = 0.25 RO2-N. + 0.75 RO2-R. + 0.46 R2O2. + 0.23 RCHO + 0.75 MEK + 0.56 CO + 1.5 -C + 1.46 RO2.
8.80E-12		(No T Dependence)			DBE-6 + HO. = 0.33 RO2-N. + 0.67 RO2-R. + 0.49 R2O2. + 0.82 RCHO + 0.25 MEK + 0.06 CO + 2.63 -C + 0.05 BACL + 1.49 RO2.

Table A-2 (continued)

Rxn.	Kinetic Parameters [a]				Reactions [b]
Label	k(300)	A	Ea	B	
<b>Reactions used to Represent Chamber-Dependent Processes [e]</b>					
O3W	(varied)	(No T Dependence)			O3 =
N25I	(varied)	(No T Dependence)			N2O5 = 2 NOX-WALL
N25S	(varied)	(No T Dependence)			N2O5 + H2O = 2 NOX-WALL
NO2W	(varied)	(No T Dependence)			NO2 = (yHONO) HONO + (1-yHONO) NOX-WALL
XSHC	(varied)	(No T Dependence)			HO. = HO2.
RSI		(Phot. Set = NO2 )			HV + #RS/K1 = HO.
ON02		(Phot. Set = NO2 )			HV + #E-NO2/K1 = NO2 + #-1 NOX-WALL

- [a] Except as noted, the expression for the rate constant is  $k = A e^{E_a/RT} (T/300)^B$ . Rate constants and A factor are in cm, molecule, sec. units. Units of  $E_a$  is kcal mole<sup>-1</sup>. "Phot Set" means this is a photolysis reaction, with the absorption coefficients and quantum yields given in Table A-3. In addition, if "#(number)" or "#(parameter)" is given as a reactant, then the value of that number or parameter is multiplied by the result in the "rate constant expression" columns to obtain the rate constant used. Furthermore, "#RCOnn" as a reactant means that the rate constant for the reaction is obtained by multiplying the rate constant given by that for reaction "nn". Thus, the rate constant given is actually an equilibrium constant.
- [b] The format of the reaction listing is the same as that used in the documentation of the detailed mechanism (Carter 1990).
- [c] The rate constants and product yield parameters are based on the mixture of species in the base ROG mixture which are being represented.
- [d] See text for discussion of the four alternative DBE-4 mechanisms. Only Models A and D are consistent with the chamber data, with Model A being considered to be more chemically reasonable.
- [e] See Table A-4 for the values of the parameters used for the specific chambers modeled in this study.







Table A-3. (continued)

WL (nm)	Abs (cm <sup>2</sup> )	QY	WL (nm)	Abs (cm <sup>2</sup> )	QY	WL (nm)	Abs (cm <sup>2</sup> )	QY	WL (nm)	Abs (cm <sup>2</sup> )	QY	WL (nm)	Abs (cm <sup>2</sup> )	QY
458.0	1.22E-20	1.000	458.5	1.42E-20	1.000	459.0	4.05E-21	1.000	460.0	4.05E-21	1.000	460.5	6.08E-21	1.000
461.0	2.03E-21	1.000	462.0	0.00E+00	1.000									
<b>Photolysis File = MEGLYOX1</b>														
220.0	2.10E-21	1.000	225.0	2.10E-21	1.000	230.0	4.21E-21	1.000	235.0	7.57E-21	1.000	240.0	9.25E-21	1.000
245.0	8.41E-21	1.000	250.0	9.25E-21	1.000	255.0	9.25E-21	1.000	260.0	9.67E-21	1.000	265.0	1.05E-20	1.000
270.0	1.26E-20	1.000	275.0	1.43E-20	1.000	280.0	1.51E-20	1.000	285.0	1.43E-20	1.000	290.0	1.47E-20	1.000
295.0	1.18E-20	1.000	300.0	1.14E-20	1.000	305.0	9.25E-21	1.000	310.0	6.31E-21	1.000	315.0	5.47E-21	1.000
320.0	3.36E-21	1.000	325.0	1.68E-21	1.000	330.0	8.41E-22	1.000	335.0	0.00E+00	1.000			
<b>Photolysis File = MEGLYOX2</b>														
350.0	0.00E+00	1.000	354.0	4.21E-22	1.000	358.0	1.26E-21	1.000	360.0	2.10E-21	1.000	362.0	2.10E-21	1.000
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281.0	1.26E-20	1.000	282.0	1.26E-20	1.000	283.0	1.28E-20	1.000	284.0	1.33E-20	1.000	285.0	1.38E-20	1.000
286.0	1.44E-20	1.000	287.0	1.50E-20	1.000	288.0	1.57E-20	1.000	289.0	1.63E-20	1.000	290.0	1.71E-20	1.000
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306.0	3.51E-20	1.000	307.0	3.63E-20	1.000	308.0	3.77E-20	1.000	309.0	3.91E-20	1.000	310.0	4.07E-20	1.000
311.0	4.25E-20	1.000	312.0	4.39E-20	1.000	313.0	4.44E-20	1.000	314.0	4.50E-20	1.000	315.0	4.59E-20	1.000
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326.0	5.62E-20	1.000	327.0	5.63E-20	1.000	328.0	5.71E-20	1.000	329.0	5.76E-20	1.000	330.0	5.80E-20	1.000
331.0	5.95E-20	1.000	332.0	6.23E-20	1.000	333.0	6.39E-20	1.000	334.0	6.38E-20	1.000	335.0	6.24E-20	1.000
336.0	6.01E-20	1.000	337.0	5.79E-20	1.000	338.0	5.63E-20	1.000	339.0	5.56E-20	1.000	340.0	5.52E-20	1.000
341.0	5.54E-20	1.000	342.0	5.53E-20	1.000	343.0	5.47E-20	1.000	344.0	5.41E-20	1.000	345.0	5.40E-20	1.000
346.0	5.48E-20	1.000	347.0	5.90E-20	1.000	348.0	6.08E-20	1.000	349.0	6.00E-20	1.000	350.0	5.53E-20	1.000
351.0	5.03E-20	1.000	352.0	4.50E-20	1.000	353.0	4.03E-20	1.000	354.0	3.75E-20	1.000	355.0	3.55E-20	1.000
356.0	3.45E-20	1.000	357.0	3.46E-20	1.000	358.0	3.49E-20	1.000	359.0	3.41E-20	1.000	360.0	3.23E-20	1.000
361.0	2.95E-20	1.000	362.0	2.81E-20	1.000	363.0	2.91E-20	1.000	364.0	3.25E-20	1.000	365.0	3.54E-20	1.000
366.0	3.30E-20	1.000	367.0	2.78E-20	1.000	368.0	2.15E-20	1.000	369.0	1.59E-20	1.000	370.0	1.19E-20	1.000
371.0	8.99E-21	1.000	372.0	7.22E-21	1.000	373.0	5.86E-21	1.000	374.0	4.69E-21	1.000	375.0	3.72E-21	1.000
376.0	3.57E-21	1.000	377.0	3.55E-21	1.000	378.0	2.83E-21	1.000	379.0	1.69E-21	1.000	380.0	8.29E-24	1.000
381.0	0.00E+00	1.000												



Table A-4. Values of chamber-dependent parameters used in the model simulations of the environmental chamber experiments for this study.

Parm.	Value(s)	Discussion
k(O3W)	$8.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ min}^{-1}$	k(O3W) is rate constant for unimolecular wall loss of O <sub>3</sub> . The value used runs is based on the results of runs CTC053 and CTC106, which are reasonably consistent with each other.
k(N25I) k(N25S)	$2.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ min}^{-1}$ , $1.5 \times 10^{-6} - k_g \text{ ppm}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$	k(N25I) is unimolecular decay of N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> to the walls. K(N25S) is the rate constant for bimolecular reaction with H <sub>2</sub> O, forming 2 HNO <sub>3</sub> . The value used is based on the N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> decay rate measurements in a similar chamber reported by Tuazon et al. (1983). The same rate constants are used for all Teflon bag chambers (Carter et al., 1995b).
k(NO2W) yHONO	$1.6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ min}^{-1}$ 0.2	k(NO2W) is the rate constant for a unimolecular decay of NO <sub>2</sub> to the walls, forming HONO with a yield of yHONO. The values used are based on dark NO <sub>2</sub> decay and HONO formation measured in a similar chamber by Pitts et al. (1984). This is assumed to be the same in all Teflon bag chambers (Carter et al. 1995b).
k(XSHC)	$250 \text{ min}^{-1}$	k(XSHC) is the rate constant for a unimolecular conversion of HO to HO <sub>2</sub> , which is used to represent the effect of background VOC reactants. It is estimated by modeling pure air irradiations carried out in this reactor. This is an important parameter affecting model predictions except for pure air or NO <sub>x</sub> -air runs.
RS/K1	0.07 ppb	The continuous chamber radical source is represented as a light-dependent flux of OH radicals, whose rate is given by the NO <sub>2</sub> photolysis rate ( $k_1$ ) multiplied by the parameter RS/K1. This parameter is derived from model simulations of n-butane - NO <sub>x</sub> and CO - NO <sub>x</sub> experiments as discussed by Carter et al. (1995b,c). The values used are based on averages which fit the n-butane - NO <sub>x</sub> experiments as discussed by Carter et al. (1997).
E-NO2/K1	0.04 ppb	The rate of NO <sub>2</sub> offgasing from the chamber walls is obtained by multiplying the parameter E-NO2/K1 by the NO <sub>2</sub> photolysis rate. Model simulations of acetaldehyde - air runs are used to derive this parameter. For the CTC, the value used is based on the results of CTC019.
HONO-F	0.0	HONO-F is the fraction of initially present NO <sub>2</sub> which is assumed to be converted to HONO prior to the start of the run. When the light-induced radical source is represented by a continuous OH flux, best fits to most n-butane - NO <sub>x</sub> experiments are obtained if this is assumed to be negligible.