



The Importance of Peroxy Radical Hydrogen Shift Reactions in Atmospheric Isoprene Oxidation

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1,6 H-shift in Isoprene

Simplified scheme for 1-OH:



H-shift rate constants (297 K, s⁻¹)

	Experiment ¹	Theory ²
1-OH system	0.36	0.49
4-OH system	3.7	5.4

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Multi-Conformer Transition State Theory

Conventional TST, unimolecular reaction:

$$k = \kappa \frac{k_B T}{h} \frac{Q_{TS}}{Q_R} e^{\frac{-(E_{TS} - E_R)}{k_B T}}$$

MC-TST, unimolecular reaction:

$$k = \kappa \frac{k_B T}{h} \frac{\sum_{i}^{TS} e^{-\frac{\Delta E_i}{k_B T}} Q_{TS,i}}{\sum_{j}^{R} e^{-\frac{\Delta E_j}{k_B T}} Q_{R,j}} e^{\frac{-(E_{TS,1} - E_{R,1})}{k_B T}}$$



Reaction Coordinate

 $E_{TS,1} - E_{R,1}$ = Energy difference between lowest-energy conformer of reactant and transition state

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Theoretical Approach





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Example Reaction Scheme



 β -ISOPOOH + OH

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Stereoisomerism: Effect





GEOS-Chem Modeling

Yield of H-shift products for given peroxy radical: $10^{-5} - 1$ Unique H-shifts: $\geq 0.30 \times isoprene$ (total 0.5×isoprene) OH recycling: 0.47×isoprene



Stereoisomerism





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Stereospecificity in Crotonaldehyde Oxidation II



Conclusions

- Calculated MC-TST rate constants for peroxy Hshifts in isoprene oxidation
- Large variation within reaction classes
- Modeling suggests that 30 % of isoprene undergoes H-shift
- Potentially large stereospecificity



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