# IUPAC Task Group on Atmospheric Chemical Kinetic Data Evaluation – Data Sheet NO3\_VOC11

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## $NO_3 + CH_3CHO \rightarrow HNO_3 + CH_3CO$

 $\Delta H^{\circ} = -53.0 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ 

$k/\mathrm{cm}^3$ molecule <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	Temp./K	Reference	Technique/ Comments
Absolute Rate Coefficients			
$1.44 \ge 10^{-12} \exp[-(1860 \pm 300)/T]$	264-374	Dlugokencky and Howard, 1989	F-LIF (a)
$(2.74 \pm 0.33) \ge 10^{-15}$	298		
$6.2 \ge 10^{-11} \exp[-(2826 \pm 866)/T]$	298-433	Cabañas et al., 2001	DF-LIF (b)
$(3.2 \pm 0.8) \ge 10^{-15}$	$298 \pm 2$		
$(2.1 \pm 0.7) \ge 10^{-15}$	$298 \pm 2$	Doussin et al., 2003	(C)
$(2.6 \pm 0.5) \ge 10^{-15}$	$300\pm3$	Bossmeyer et al., 2006	DOAS/GC (d)
Relative Rate Coefficients			
$(2.06 \pm 0.52) \times 10^{-15}$	300	Morris and Niki, 1974	RR (e)
$(1.97 \pm 0.42) \ge 10^{-15}$	298 ± 1	Atkinson et al., 1984	RR (e)
$(2.55 \pm 0.49) \ge 10^{-15}$	299 ± 1	Cantrell et al., 1986	RR (e)
$(2.62 \pm 0.29) \ge 10^{-15}$	298 ± 2	D'Anna et al., 2001a,b	RR (f)

#### Rate coefficient data

### Comments

- (a) NO<sub>3</sub> radicals were generated by the thermal dissociation of  $N_2O_5$  in a flow system. Initial NO<sub>3</sub> radical concentrations were (0.6-3.0) x  $10^{10}$  molecule cm<sup>-3</sup>.
- (b) Initial NO<sub>3</sub> radical concentrations were (0.6-3.0) x  $10^{12}$  molecule cm<sup>-3</sup>.
- (c) NO<sub>3</sub> radicals were generated *in situ* from the reaction NO<sub>2</sub> + O<sub>3</sub>  $\rightarrow$  NO<sub>3</sub> + O<sub>2</sub>, in the presence of CH<sub>3</sub>CHO. NO<sub>3</sub> radical concentrations were measured by optical absorption at 662 nm, and the rate coefficient derived from the concentrations of reactants and products measured by FTIR absorption spectroscopy and (for the NO<sub>3</sub> radical) optical absorption using computer modeling.
- (d) Carried out in the EUPHORE chamber at atmospheric pressure of air. NO<sub>3</sub> radical concentrations measured by DOAS, and CH<sub>3</sub>CHO concentrations by GC.
- (e) The cited rate coefficients are relative to the equilibrium coefficient *K* for the reactions NO<sub>2</sub> + NO<sub>3</sub>  $\leftrightarrow$  N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, with values of *K* = 2.75 x 10<sup>-11</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> molecule<sup>-1</sup> at 298 K, 2.43 x 10<sup>-11</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> molecule<sup>-1</sup> at 299 K and 2.15 x 10<sup>-11</sup> cm<sup>3</sup> molecule<sup>-1</sup> at 300 K (IUPAC, current evaluation) being used to place the measured rate coefficient ratios on an absolute basis.
- (f) NO<sub>3</sub> radicals were generated by the thermal dissociation of N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>. Experiments were carried out in 1 atmosphere of air with measurements of acetaldehyde and 1-butene (the reference compound) by FTIR spectroscopy. The measured rate coefficient ratio  $k(NO_3 + acetaldehyde)/k(NO_3 + 1-butene)$ = 0.194 ± 0.021 is placed on an absolute basis by use of a rate coefficient of  $k(NO_3 + 1-butene)$  =

1.35 x  $10^{-14}$  cm<sup>3</sup> molecule<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> at 298 K (Atkinson, 1997). Experiments with acetaldehyde-d<sub>1</sub> (CH<sub>3</sub>CDO) yielded a rate coefficient ratio  $k(NO_3 + CH_3CHO)/k(NO_3 + CH_3CDO) = 2.37 \pm 0.08$  at 298 ± 2 K (D'Anna et al., 2001a).

## **Preferred Values**

 $k = 2.7 \text{ x } 10^{-15} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ at } 298 \text{ K}.$ 

 $k = 1.4 \ge 10^{-12} \exp(-1860/T) \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ over the temperature range 260-380 K.}$ 

Reliability

 $\Delta \log k = \pm 0.15$  at 298 K.  $\Delta (E/R) = \pm 500$  K.

#### Comments on Preferred Values

The rate coefficients measured relative to the equilibrium coefficient for the reactions  $NO_2 + NO_3$  $\leftrightarrow$  N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> are subject to significant uncertainties arising from uncertainties in the equilibrium coefficient for these reactions. The relative rate coefficients of Morris and Niki (1974), Atkinson et al. (1984) and Cantrell et al. (1986) are therefore not used in the evaluation of the rate coefficient for this reaction, although they are in agreement with the absolute room temperature rate coefficients of Dlugokencky and Howard (1989), Doussin et al. (2003) and Bossmeyer et al. (2006). The room temperature rate coefficient of D'Anna et al. (2001a,b), determined relative to that for the reaction of NO<sub>3</sub> radicals with 1-butene is in (1989), is in excellent agreement with the absolute rate coefficient measured by Dlugokencky and Howard (1989), as are the recent absolute rate coefficients obtained by Doussin et al. (2003) and Bossmeyer et al. (2006) from simultaneous measurements of NO<sub>3</sub> radical and CH<sub>3</sub>CHO concentrations in environmental chambers. The absolute study of Cabañas et al. (2001) employed much higher initial NO<sub>3</sub> radical concentrations than did Dlugokencky and Howard (1989), by a factor of  $\sim$ 100, and the measured rate coefficients of Cabañas et al. (2001) are significantly less precise and show a significantly higher temperature dependence. The preferred 298 K values is based on the room temperature rate coefficients of Dlugokencky and Howard (1989), D'Anna et al. (2001a,b), Doussin et al. (2003) and Bossmeyer et al. (2006), noting that the rate coefficient of Doussin et al. (2003) has a high associated uncertainty. The temperature dependence is that of Dlugokencky and Howard (1989), with the A-factor being adjusted to fit the 298 K preferred value.

D'Anna et al. (2001a, 2003) measured deuterium isotope effects at 298  $\pm$  2 K of  $k(NO_3 + CH_3CHO)/k(NO_3 + CD_3CHO) = 1.19 \pm 0.11$  (D'Anna et al., 2003),  $k(NO_3 + CH_3CHO)/k(NO_3 + CH_3CDO) = 2.37 \pm 0.08$  (D'Anna et al., 2001a) and  $k(NO_3 + CH_3CHO)/k(NO_3 + CD_3CDO) = 2.51 \pm 0.09$  (D'Anna et al., 2003), indicates that, as expected, the reaction proceeds by H- (or D-) atom abstraction from the –CHO (or –CDO) group.

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