

IUPAC Subcommittee on Gas Kinetic Data Evaluation – Data Sheet CG1-23

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CH₂OO + CF₃C(O)OH → products

(1)

Rate coefficient data

k/cm ³ molecule ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Temp /K	Reference	Technique/Comments
<i>Absolute Rate Coefficients</i>			
(3.4±0.3) × 10 ⁻¹⁰	294	Chhantyal-Pun et al.,	PLP-(CRDS)
(3.8±2.6) × 10 ⁻¹⁸ T ² exp (1620 ± 180)/T + 2.5 × 10 ⁻¹⁰	240-340	2017	

Comments

- (a) CH₂OO (formaldehyde oxide) was produced by the reaction of CH₂I + O₂. CH₂I was generated by 248-nm laser photolysis of diiodomethane, CH₂I₂. Time-resolved direct detection of CH₂OO by CRDS at 355 nm in the temperature range 240 – 340 K. The measured decay constant of CH₂OO which was linearly dependent on (excess) concentrations of TFA acetic acid (up to 3.6 × 10¹⁴ molecule cm⁻³) was used to determine the rate coefficient. The uncertainty limits are 95% from an unweighted linear fit to decay lifetime plots. The rate coefficients were independent of pressure over the range 13 – 130 mbar and H/D substitution had no effect on *k* at all temperatures in the range studied.

Preferred Values

Parameter	Value	T/K
k /cm ³ molecule ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	3.8 × 10 ⁻¹⁸ T ² exp(1620/T) + 2.5 × 10 ⁻¹⁰	298
<i>Reliability</i>		
Δ log k	± 0.2	298

Comments on Preferred Values

The reaction of CH₂OO with trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) at 294 K is extremely rapid, as found for reaction with carboxylic acids (see IUPAC data sheet CGI_10 and CGI_11). The rate coefficient decreases with increasing temp. in the range 240-340 K, and exceeds the estimates for collision-limited values, suggesting rate enhancement by capture mechanisms, attributable to the large permanent dipole moments of the two reactants. However, the observed temperature

dependence is steeper than predicted by a simple dipole capture model with computed dipole moments. A different model involving competitive stabilization of a pre-reactive complex, binding the two reactants by two H- bonds, is proposed to explain the temperature dependence. This model was used in computational studies to describe the temperature dependence of CH₂OO + HCOOH reaction (Long et al., 2009), which predicts a T-dependence of the form:

$$k = AT^2 \exp\left(\frac{\Delta H}{RT}\right) + k_d$$

The recommended parameters for CH₂OO + CF₃COOH are based on a fit of the experimental data reported by Chhantyal-Pun et al.(2017), using this model.

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