

IUPAC Task Group on Atmospheric Chemical Kinetic Data Evaluation – Data Sheet NO_x19

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NH₂ + O₂ → Products

Rate coefficient data

<i>k</i> / cm ³ molecule ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Temp./K	Reference	Technique/ Comments
<i>Relative Rate Coefficients</i>	296	Tyndall et al., 1991	(a)
< 6 x 10 ⁻²¹			

Comments

- (a) Photolysis of NH₃ in the presence of excess O₂. The concentrations of NO, NO₂, and N₂O, the only likely products, were measured by FTIR spectroscopy. The upper limit to the rate coefficient was based on computer simulation of a substantial reaction mechanism.

Preferred Values

$k < 6 \times 10^{-21} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 298 K.

Comments on Preferred Values

This reaction has several energetically feasible channels, including those leading to NO + H₂O and HNO + HO. The measurements of Tyndall et al. (1991) set an upper limit to the channels leading directly, or indirectly, to NO, NO₂, and N₂O. This result confirms earlier conclusions that the reaction is very slow (Lesclaux and Demissy, 1977; Cheskis and Sarkisov, 1979; Patrick and Golden, 1984; Lozovsky et al., 1984; Michael et al., 1985), making it unimportant in the atmosphere.

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