

Supplementary Material

Auto-ignition of oxymethylene ethers (OME_n, n = 2–4) as promising synthetic e-fuels from renewable electricity: shock tube experiments and automatic mechanism generation

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Class	Rate rules	f_k	x^*
C1	Unimolecular Fuel decomposition $\leftrightarrow R' + R''$	4.0	-0.0133
C2	Fuel decomposition $\leftrightarrow H$ and fuel radical (R)	4.0	1.0000
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by H (primary carbon sites)	4.0	-0.8300
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by H (secondary carbon sites)	4.0	-1.0000
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by OH (primary carbon sites)	4.0	0.0415
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by OH (secondary carbon sites)	4.0	-1.0000
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by CH ₃ (primary carbon sites)	4.0	1.0000
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by CH ₃ (secondary carbon sites)	4.0	1.0000
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by HO ₂ (primary carbon sites)	4.0	1.0000
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by HO ₂ (secondary carbon sites)	4.0	1.0000
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by CH ₃ O (primary carbon sites)	4.0	-0.7890
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by CH ₃ O (secondary carbon sites)	4.0	0.0860
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by O ₂ (secondary carbon sites)	4.0	1.0000
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by CH ₃ O ₂ (secondary carbon sites)	4.0	0.5721
C3	H-atom abstraction from the fuel by CH ₃ O ₂ (secondary carbon sites)	4.0	-1.0000
C4	CO β -scission of R radicals	4.0	1.000
C5	OCO β -scission of R radicals	4.0	-0.3020
C8	$R + CH_3O_2 \leftrightarrow RO + CH_3O$	4.0	0.1077
C9	Peroxy (RO ₂) radical isomerization (8 member ring, H-abstraction from primary sites)	4.0	-0.3964
C10	$RO_2 + HO_2 \leftrightarrow ROOH + O_2$	4.0	-0.1421
C16	QOOH \rightarrow cyclic ether + OH (4 member ring)	4.0	0.8154
C16	QOOH \rightarrow cyclic ether + OH (6 member ring)	4.0	-1.0000
C17	QOOH $\rightarrow \beta$ -Scission products	4.0	0.1267
C18	Addition of O ₂ to QOOH (primary carbon sites)	4.0	1.0000
C18	Addition of O ₂ to QOOH (secondary carbon sites)	4.0	-1.0000
C19	Isomerization of O ₂ QOOH (6 member ring, H-abstraction from primary sites)	4.0	0.9784
C19	Isomerization of O ₂ QOOH (6 member ring, H-abstraction from secondary sites)	4.0	0.9784
C20	Decomposition of carbonylhydroperoxide	4.0	0.7925

Table S1: Optimized rate rules. f_k and x_k^* denote the uncertainty factor and the calibrated normalized rate parameters of the rate rule k , respectively. The optimized Arrhenius pre-exponential factor A_k^* can be determined based on its nominal value in the prior mechanism (A_k) following $A_k^* = A_k \times f_k^{x_k^*}$.

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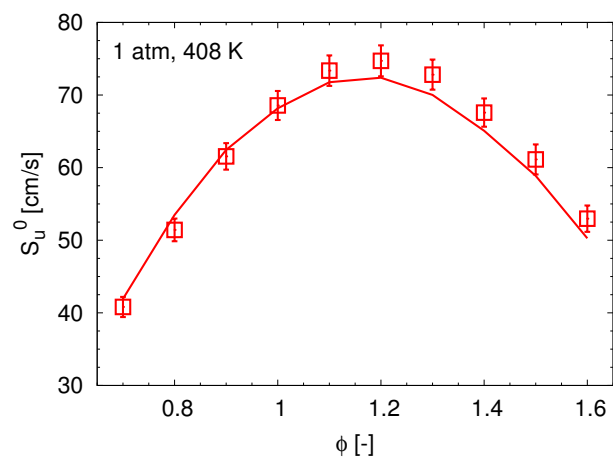


Figure S1: Flame speeds of OME₃/air mixtures at 1 atm. Symbols denote experiments from [14] and lines show results calculated using the optimized mechanism.

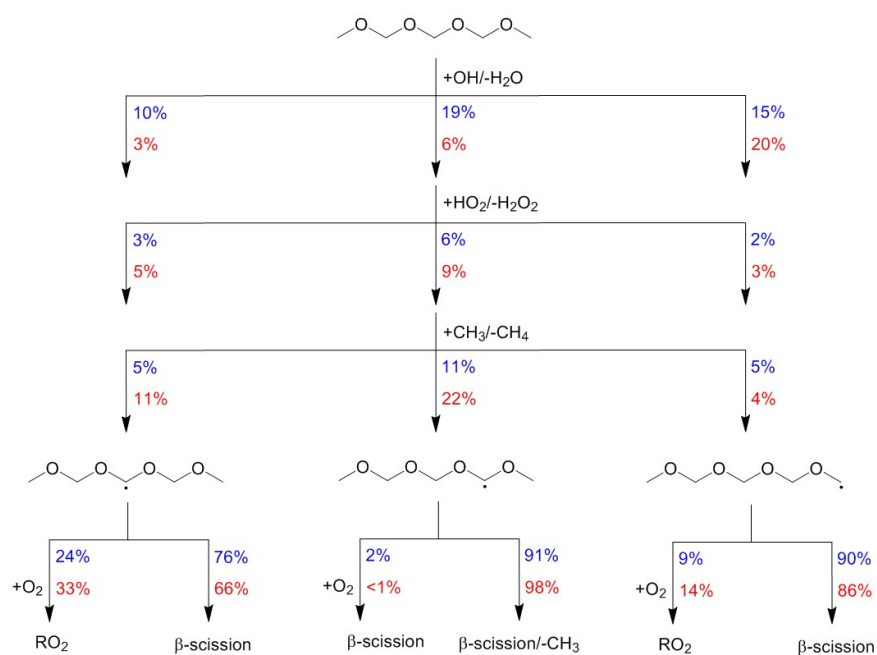


Figure S2: Reaction pathways during the auto-ignition of OME₃/air mixture at 20 bar, 1150 K, $\phi = 1.0$, and 20% fuel consumption. Blue and red values are results predicted using the prior and optimized mechanisms, respectively.