



## Supplement of

# Emission factors and evolution of $\mathbf{SO}_2$ measured from biomass burning in wildfires and agricultural fires

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#### Section 1: Sulfur modeling

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In the absence of photochemical reactions due to reduced infiltration of sunlight, sulfate aerosols are expected to be produced through aqueous reactions with existing particles or cloud droplets. This requires the dissolution of SO<sub>2</sub> onto existing particles to produce S(IV) (=  $SO_2$  ·  $H_2O_{(aq)} + HSO_3^{-1} + SO_3^{2-}$ ) compounds in equilibria. However, the pathway of S(IV) oxidation is highly dependent on the pH and ionic strength of the existing particles as well as the available liquid water content (LWC) (Zhang et al., 2015; Shao et al., 2019). Under more acidic conditions (pH<5), S(IV) oxidation occurs primarily through reaction with H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. At higher pH values, oxidation by dissolved O<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> begin to dominate (Guo et al., 2017). As a result, modeling 10

of such events is highly dependent on the aerosol pH. Direct measurements of aerosol pH are not available for this study. As a result, several methods have been suggested for calculating aerosol acidity, including ion balance, molar ratio, and thermodynamic models. Ion balance and molar ratio estimates can be used to assess the

- 15 proton loading of the air mass by comparing the number of cations present to anions (Hennigan et al. (2015). However, Hennigan et al. (2015) and Guo et al. (2015) discourage the use of these methods because they disregard acidic and ionic partial dissolution and the effects of the aerosol LWC on pH calculations, which is of concern in moderately acidic to alkaline environments such as fires (Pye et al., 2020). Thermodynamic models more accurately predict the partitioning of
- NH<sub>4(p)</sub>-NH<sub>3(g)</sub> and NO<sub>3(p)</sub>-HNO<sub>3(g)</sub> for inferring the hydronium ion concentration and pH 20 compared to the other methods while also predicting LWC (Hennigan et al., 2015). These models require the known chemical component inputs of both the gas and aerosol concentrations measured within the air mass as inputs, along with temperature and relative humidity to calculate the hydronium ion concentration (Hennigan et al., 2015; Guo et al., 2015; Ding et al., 2019). Yet,
- even with the inclusion of thermodynamic calculations of pH and LWC, model predictions of 25 sulfate aerosol production in Beijing during heavy pollution events were underestimated by 65% (Shao et al., 2019). As a result, additional pathways of S(IV) oxidation have been proposed, including oxidation by NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> through catalytic reactions involving transition metal ions (Moch et al., 2018; Cheng et al., 2016; Shao et al., 2019).
- Dovrou et al. (2019) observed that hydroxymethanesulfonate (HMS) can be misidentified 30 as inorganic sulfate in ion chromatography and aerosol mass spectrometry measurements. Using an analytical column composed of an alkyl quaternary ammonium functional group, Dovrou et al. (2019) were able to separate the two species. This suggests that organosulfates or organosulfonates could be the source of the discrepancy between measurements and models in 35

urban areas. The chemistry of HMS production and reversal has been extensively studied through laboratory measurements (Boyce and Hoffmann, 1984; Deister et al., 1986; Kok et al., 1986) and model simulations (Moch et al., 2018; Song et al., 2019, 2021). A review of these laboratory studies and the parameters for the determination of the rate constants is provided by Song et al. (2021).

- 40 While the Song et al. (2021) study explored the use of lower HMS formation kinetic rates under cloud conditions, this study finds better agreement with the measurements using the higher rates along with the reverse reaction rate established by Song et al. (2021) (based on Boyce and Hoffmann (1984) and Deister et al. (1986) measurements) under aerosol conditions. While HMS is resistant to reaction with H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, aqueous phase reaction of HMS with OH radicals is likely to
- occur (Olson and Fessenden, 1992). However, aqueous OH is short-lived and when included in 45

the model, through condensation and evaporation (Eqs. 3.6 and 3.7 in main paper), produced no change in the model results.



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Figure S1. Sulfur conversion based on pH dependence for a) S(IV) production as SO<sub>2</sub> enters the aqueous phase with ideal solution assumption and b) the rate of S(IV) oxidation based on oxidizing species mixing ratios of 3.3 ppb for SO<sub>2</sub>, 82 ppb for O<sub>3</sub>, 1.6 ppb for H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, 9 ppb for NO<sub>2</sub>, and 29 ppb for HCHO with 200  $\mu$ g m<sup>-3</sup> LWC. While H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, and NO<sub>2</sub> produce inorganic sulfate, HCHO produces HMS.



Figure S2. Calculation of the OH contribution to the SO<sub>2</sub> decay observed during the 3 August 2019 FIREX-AQ flight.

Table S1. List of aqueous phase reactions included as the heterogeneous mechanism in the F0AM 0-D model in which the rates of condensation ( $k_{cond}$ ) and evaporation ( $k_{evap}$ ) require the particle surface area ( $S_a$ ), Henry's Law constant (H), liquid water content (LWC), and hydronium ion concentration (H<sup>+</sup>, calculated from pH). Rates of HMS reaction with S(IV) used in GEOS-Chem are also listed for comparison.

Reaction	Rate constant $(M^{-1} s^{-1})$	Reference	GEOS-Chem
$SO_2 \rightarrow S(IV)$	$k_{cond} = 0.25 \cdot \gamma \cdot c \cdot S_a$	Seinfeld and Pandis (2006)	
$SO_{2(aq)} \rightarrow SO_{2(g)}$	$k_{evap} = \frac{k_{cond}}{(H \cdot LWC)}$	D'ambro et al. (2016)	
$HSO_3^- \rightarrow SO_{2(g)}$	$k_{evap} = \frac{(k_{cond} \cdot H^+)}{(H \cdot LWC \cdot K_1)}$	D'ambro et al. (2016);	
	/ (** =** = **1)	Seinfeld and Pandis (2006)	
$SO_3^2 \rightarrow SO_{2(g)}$	$k_{evap} = \frac{(k_{cond} \cdot (H^+)^2)}{(H \cdot LWC \cdot K_1 \cdot K_2)}$	D'ambro et al. (2016);	
		Seinfeld and Pandis (2006)	
$O_{3(aq)} + SO_{2(aq)} \rightarrow SO_{4^{2-}} + HSO_{4^{-}}$	$k = 2.4 \times 10^4$	Kreidenweis et al. (2003)	
$\mathrm{O}_{3(aq)} + \mathrm{HSO}_{3^-}  \mathrm{SO}_{4^{2-}} + \mathrm{H}^+ + \mathrm{O}_{2(aq)}$	$k = 3.7 \times 10^5 \cdot \exp\left(-5530\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298}\right)\right)$	Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)	
$O_{3(aq)} + SO_{3^{2-}} \rightarrow SO_{4^{2-}} + O_{2(aq)}$	$k = 1.5 \times 10^9 \cdot \exp\left(-5280\left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{298}\right)\right)$	Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)	
$\mathrm{H_{2}O_{2(aq)}+HSO_{3^{-}} \rightarrow SO_{4^{2-}}+2\mathrm{H^{+}+H_{2}O}}$	$k = \frac{7.45 \times 10^{7} \cdot H^{+} \cdot \exp\left(-4430\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298}\right)\right)}{1 + 13 \cdot H^{+}}$	Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)	
$2NO_{2(aq)} + HSO_{3^{-}} \rightarrow 3H^{+} + 2NO_{2^{-}} + SO_{4^{2^{-}}}$	$k = 1 \times 10^6$	Liu and Abbatt (2021)	
$2NO_{2(aq)} + SO_{3^{2-}} \rightarrow 3H^+ + 2NO_{2^-} + SO_{4^{2-}}$	$k = 1.4 \times 10^{10}$	Liu and Abbatt (2021)	
HCHO $\rightarrow$ HCHO <sub>(aq)</sub>	$k_{cond} = 0.25 \cdot \gamma \cdot c \cdot S_a$	Seinfeld and Pandis (2006)	
$\text{HCHO}_{(aq)} + \text{HSO}_3 \rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{OHSO}_3$	$k = 7.9 \times 10^2 \cdot \exp\left(-4900\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298}\right)\right)$	Boyce and Hoffmann (1984)	$k = 7.9 \times 10^2 \cdot \exp\left(-16.435\left(\frac{298}{T} - 1\right)\right)$
$HCHO_{(aq)} + SO_3^{2-} \rightarrow CH_2OHSO_3^{-}$	$k = 2.5 \times 10^7 \cdot \exp\left(-1800\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298}\right)\right)$	Boyce and Hoffmann (1984)	$k = 2.5 \times 10^7 \cdot \exp\left(-6.037 \left(\frac{298}{T} - 1\right)\right)$
$\rm CH_2OHSO_3^- \twoheadrightarrow \rm HCHO_{(aq)} + \rm HSO_3^-$	$k = 6.2 \times 10^{-8} \cdot \exp\left(-11400\left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{298}\right)\right)$	Song et al. (2021)	
$\rightarrow$ HCHO <sub>(aq)</sub> + SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	$+4.8 \times 10^3 \cdot {\binom{K_w}{H^+}} \cdot exp\left(-4700 \left(\frac{1}{T}-\frac{1}{T}\right)\right)$	$\left(\frac{1}{298}\right)$	

Measurement	Method	
Sulfur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> ), nitric oxide	NOAA Laser-Induced Fluorescence (LIF)	
Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> ), organosulfur	Aerodyne Aerosol Mass Spectrometry (AMS)	
Carbon monoxide	Differential Absorption Carbon monOxide	
	Measurement (DACOM)	
Sulfate, sulfite	Soluble Acidic Gases and Aerosols (SAGA)	
Formaldehyde	NASA In Situ Formaldehyde (ISAF)	
Ozone, nitrogen dioxide	NOAA NOyO3 Chemiluminescence	
Hydrogen peroxide	Caltech Chemical Ionization Mass	
	Spectrometry (CIT CIMS)	
Aerosol surface area	TSI Laser Aerosol Spectrometer (LAS) 3340	
Cloud indicator	Cloud, Aerosol, and Precipitation	
	Spectrometer (CAPS)	
Actinic flux	Charged-coupled device Actinic Flux	
	Spectroradiometer (CAFS)	
Pressure, altitude, temperature, relative	Meteorological and Navigation Facility	
humidity, solar zenith angle	Instrumentation	

Table S2. Measurements used for model initial concentrations and constraints.

Table S3. Mass accommodation ( $\alpha$ ) and gas diffusion coefficients (Dg) used for deriving the gasphase diffusion limitations of SO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, and HCHO.

Compound	Variable	Formula/Value	Reference
SO <sub>2</sub>	α	$(1 + \exp(14.7 - \frac{3825}{T}))^{-1}$	Boniface et al. (2000)
	Dg	$(\frac{1013 \times 94}{760 \times P} \times \frac{T}{296})^{1.75}$	Tang et al. (2014)
O3	α	0.47	Vieceli et al. (2005)
	Dg	$\frac{410}{660} \times (\frac{1013 \times 178}{760 \times P} \times \frac{T}{296})^{1.75}$	Tang et al. (2014)
H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	α	0.23	Seinfeld and Pandis (2016)
	Dg	$(\frac{1013 \times 116}{760 \times P} \times \frac{T}{296})^{1.75}$	Tang et al. (2014)
NO2	α	0.0015	George et al. (1992)
	Dg	$(\frac{1013 \times 106}{760 \times P} \times \frac{T}{296})^{1.75}$	Tang et al. (2014)



Figure S3. Measurements of SO<sub>2</sub>, sulfate, temperature, and altitude with calculations of pH and LWC during the 3 August 2019 flight.





Figure S4. Model results for NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, NO/NO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, and HCHO compared to the dilution normalized measurements for each modeled flight. While H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> shows moderate agreement, it should be noted that organic aerosol may be a source of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (Ye et al., 2021).



Figure S5. Measurements of SO<sub>2</sub>, sulfate, temperature, and altitude with calculations of pH and LWC during the 7 August 2019 flight.



Figure S6. Measurements of relative humidity, HCHO,  $O_x$  ( $O_3 + NO_2$ ), SO<sub>2</sub>, and CO during the 7 August 2019 flight with clouds indicated by the grey bars.



Figure S7. Actinic flux measurements of jNO<sub>2</sub> (blue) during the 7 August flight for both passes compared to clear-sky reference calculations from the Tropospheric Ultraviolet and Visible (TUV) radiative transfer model (Madronich and Flocke, 1999) (red).



Figure S8. Comparison of organic sulfur to inorganic sulfate as measured during the FIREX-AQ 7 August flight (left) and correlation of AMS apportioned inorganic sulfate to SAGA mist chamber measurements (right).



Figure S9. Comparison of AMS inorganic and organic sulfate concentrations, SAGA MC sulfate and S(IV) (reported as SO<sub>3</sub>), and LIF SO<sub>2</sub> between the two passes (left) and correlation of SAGA filter sulfate to SAGA MC sulfate (right).



Figure S10. Model HMS and sulfate production with varied temperature (a) and HCHO (b) under the conditions of the 3 August 2019 flight.

#### Section 2: Sulfur conversion mechanism

The sulfure conversion mechanism code describes the process of converting SO<sub>2</sub> to sulfate and HMS based on the rate constants included in Table S1. This code is meant to be used in Matlab with F0AM (https://github.com/AirChem/F0AM (doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.5752566)).

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SpeciesToAdd = {'SO2','SO2aq','HSO3_','SO3_2','O3','O3aq','H2O2','H2O2aq','Haq','SO4_2','H2Oaq',...
'OH_','O2aq','SO4','NO2','NO2_','NO2aq', 'HCHO', 'HCHOaq', 'CH2OHSO3_','O2aq','H2SO4'};
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AddSpecies

%%%%% Sulfur equilibrium reactions

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i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = 'SO2 = SO2aq';
k(:,i) = khet SO2;
Gstr{i,1} = 'SO2';
fSO2(i)=fSO2(i)-1; fSO2aq(i)=fSO2aq(i)+1;
i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = SO2 = HSO3 + Haq';
k(:,i) = khet SO2;
Gstr{i,1} = 'SO2';
fSO2(i)=fSO2(i)-1; fHSO3 (i)=fHSO3 (i)+1; fHaq(i)=fHaq(i)+1;
i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = 'SO2 = SO3 2 + Haq + Haq';
k(:,i) = khet SO2:
Gstr{i,1} = 'SO2';
fSO2(i)=fSO2(i)-1; fSO3 2(i)=fSO3 2(i)+1; fHaq(i)=fHaq(i)+1; fHaq(i)=fHaq(i)+1;
i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = 'SO2ag = SO2';
k(:,i) = khet SO2./H SO2.*M./P./6.022E20./lwc;
Gstr{i,1} = 'SO2aq';
fSO2aq(i)=fSO2aq(i)-1; fSO2(i)=fSO2(i)+1;
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i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'HSO3\_ = SO2'; k(:,i) = khet\_SO2./H\_SO2.\*M./P./6.022E20./HSO3./lwc; Gstr{i,1} = 'HSO3\_'; fHSO3 (i)=fHSO3 (i)-1; fSO2(i)=fSO2(i)+1;

i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'SO3\_2 = SO2'; k(:,i) = khet\_SO2./H\_SO2.\*M./P./6.022E20./SO3\_2./lwc; Gstr{i,1} = 'SO3\_2'; fSO3\_2(i)=fSO3\_2(i)-1; fSO2(i)=fSO2(i)+1;

#### %%%%% Oxidation reactions

i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'O3 = O3aq'; k(:,i) = khet\_O3; Gstr{i,1} = 'O3'; fO3(i)=fO3(i)-1; fO3aq(i)=fO3aq(i)+1;

i=i+1;

Rnames{i} = 'O3aq = O3'; k(:,i) = khet\_O3./H\_O3.\*M./P./6.022E20./lwc; Gstr{i,1} = 'O3aq'; fO3aq(i)=fO3aq(i)-1; fO3(i)=fO3(i)+1;

i=i+1;

Rnames{i} = 'O3aq + SO2aq = H2SO4 + O2aq'; k(:,i) = 2.4E4./6.022E20./lwc ; Gstr{i,1} = 'O3aq'; Gstr{i,2} = 'SO2aq'; fO3aq(i)=fO3aq(i)-1; fSO2aq(i)=fSO2aq(i)-1; fO2aq(i)=fO2aq(i)+1; fH2SO4(i)=fH2SO4(i)+1;

i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'O3aq + HSO3\_ = SO4\_2 + Haq + O2aq'; k(:,i) = O3\_ox1./6.022E20./lwc; Gstr{i,1} = 'O3aq'; Gstr{i,2} = 'HSO3\_'; fO3aq(i)=fO3aq(i)-1; fHSO3\_(i)=fHSO3\_(i)-1; fSO4\_2(i)=fSO4\_2(i)+1; fHaq(i)=fHaq(i)+1; fO2aq(i)=fO2aq(i)+1;

i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'O3aq + SO3\_2 = SO4\_2 + O2aq'; k(:,i) = O3\_ox2./6.022E20./lwc ; Gstr{i,1} = 'O3aq'; Gstr{i,2} = 'SO3\_2'; fO3aq(i)=fO3aq(i)-1; fSO3\_2(i)=fSO3\_2(i)-1; fSO4\_2(i)=fSO4\_2(i)+1; fO2aq(i)=fO2aq(i)+1;

i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'H2O2 = H2O2aq'; k(:,i) = khet\_H2O2 ; Gstr{i,1} = 'H2O2'; fH2O2(i)=fH2O2(i)-1; fH2O2aq(i)=fH2O2aq(i)+1;

i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'H2O2aq = H2O2'; k(:,i) = khet\_H2O2./H\_H2O2.\*M./P./6.022E20./lwc; Gstr{i,1} = 'H2O2aq'; fH2O2aq(i)=fH2O2aq(i)-1; fH2O2(i)=fH2O2(i)+1;

i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'H2O2aq + HSO3\_ = SO4\_2 + Haq + Haq + H2Oaq'; k(:,i) = H2O2aq\_ox./6.022E20./lwc; Gstr{i,1} = 'H2O2aq'; Gstr{i,2} = 'HSO3\_'; fH2O2aq(i)=fH2O2aq(i)-1; fHSO3\_(i)=fHSO3\_(i)-1; fSO4\_2(i)=fSO4\_2(i)+1; fHaq(i)=fHaq(i)+1; fH2Oaq(i)+1; fH2Oaq(i)=fH2Oaq(i)+1;

i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'NO2 = NO2aq'; k(:,i) = khet\_NO2; Gstr{i,1} = 'NO2'; fNO2(i)=fNO2(i)-1; fNO2aq(i)=fNO2aq(i)+1;

i=i+1; Rnames{i} = 'NO2aq = NO2'; k(:,i) = khet\_NO2./H\_NO2.\*M./P./6.022E20./lwc; Gstr{i,1} = 'NO2aq'; fNO2aq(i)=fNO2aq(i)-1; fNO2(i)=fNO2(i)+1;

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i=i+1;

Rnames{i} = 'NO2aq + NO2aq + HSO3_ = Haq + Haq + Haq + NO2_ + NO2_ + SO4_2';

k(:,i) = 1E6./6.022E20./lwc;

Gstr{i,1} = 'NO2aq'; Gstr{i,2} = 'HSO3_'; Gstr{i,3} = 'NO2aq';

fNO2aq(i)=fNO2aq(i)-1; fNO2aq(i)=fNO2aq(i)-1; fHSO3_(i)=fHSO3_(i)-1; fNO2_(i)=fNO2_(i)+1; fNO2_(i)=fNO2_(i)+1; fSO4_2(i)=fSO4_2(i)+1;
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i=i+1;

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Rnames{i} = 'NO2aq + NO2aq + SO3 2 = H2O + NO2 + NO2 + SO4 2';
k(:,i) = 1.4E10./6.022E20./lwc;
Gstr{i,1} = 'NO2aq'; Gstr{i,2} = 'SO3 2'; Gstr{i,3} = 'NO2aq';
fNO2aq(i)=fNO2aq(i)-1; fNO2aq(i)=fNO2aq(i)-1; fSO3 2(i)=fSO3 2(i)-1; fNO2 (i)=fNO2 (i)+1; fNO2 (i)=fNO2 (i)+1; fSO4 2(i)=fSO4 2(i)+1;
i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = 'HCHO = HCHOag';
k(:,i) = khet HCHO;
Gstr{i,1} = HCHO':
fHCHO(i)=fHCHO(i)-1; fHCHOaq(i)=fHCHOaq(i)+1;
i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = 'HCHOag = HCHO';
k(:,i) = khet HCHO./H HCHO.*M./P./6.022E20./lwc;
Gstr{i,1} = 'HCHOaq';
fHCHOaq(i)=fHCHOaq(i)-1; fHCHO(i)=fHCHO(i)+1;
i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = 'HCHOag + HSO3 = CH2OHSO3 ':
k(:,i) = 7.9E2.*exp(-4900.*(1./T-1./298))./6.022E20./lwc;
Gstr{i,1} = HCHOaq'; Gstr{i,2} = HSO3';
fHCHOag(i)=fHCHOag(i)-1; fHSO3 (i)=fHSO3 (i)-1; fCH2OHSO3 (i)=fCH2OHSO3 (i)+1;
i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = 'HCHOaq + SO3 2 = CH2OHSO3 + OH ';
k(:,i) = 2.5E7.*exp(-1800.*(1./T-1./298))./6.022E20./lwc;
Gstr{i,1} = HCHOaq'; Gstr{i,2} = SO3 2';
fHCHOaq(i)=fHCHOaq(i)-1; fSO3 2(i)=fSO3 2(i)-1; fCH2OHSO3 (i)=fCH2OHSO3 (i)+1; fOH (i)=fOH (i)+1;
i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = 'CH2OHSO3 = HCHOag + SO3 2';
k(:,i) = (6.2E-8.*exp(-11400.*(1./T-1./298))+4.8E3.*(Kw./Haq).*exp(-4700.*(1./T-1./298)))./2;
Gstr{i,1} = 'CH2OHSO3 ';
fCH2OHSO3 (i)=fCH2OHSO3 (i)-1; fHCHOaq(i)=fHCHOaq(i)+1; fSO3 2(i)=fSO3 2(i)+1;
i=i+1:
Rnames{i} = 'CH2OHSO3 = HCHOag + HSO3 ':
k(:,i) = (6.2E-8.*exp(-11400.*(1./T-1./298))+4.8E3.*(Kw./Haq).*exp(-4700.*(1./T-1./298)))./2;
Gstr{i,1} = 'CH2OHSO3 ';
fCH2OHSO3 (i)=fCH2OHSO3 (i)-1; fHCHOaq(i)=fHCHOaq(i)+1; fHSO3 (i)=fHSO3 (i)+1;
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