

# 1 **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## 2 **Competition kinetics of OH radical reactions with oxygenated organic** 3 **compounds in aqueous solution: Rate constants and internal optical** 4 **absorption effects**

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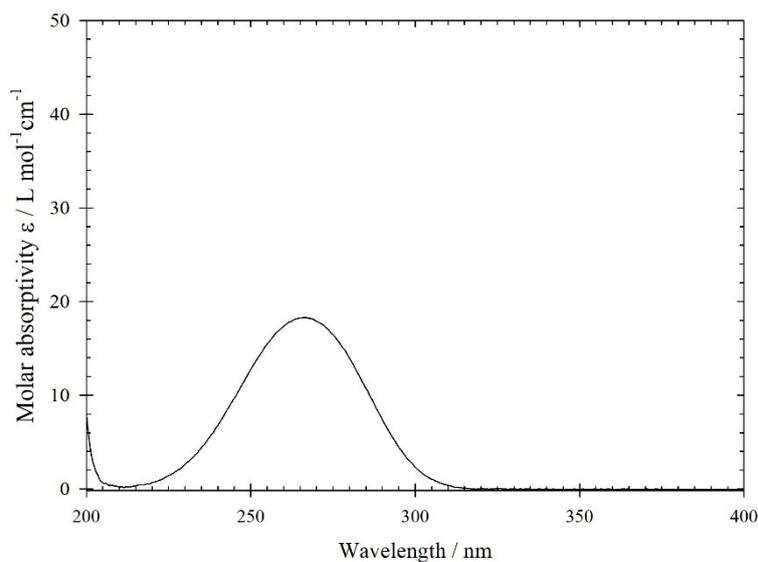
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10 2-Propanone (Acetone)



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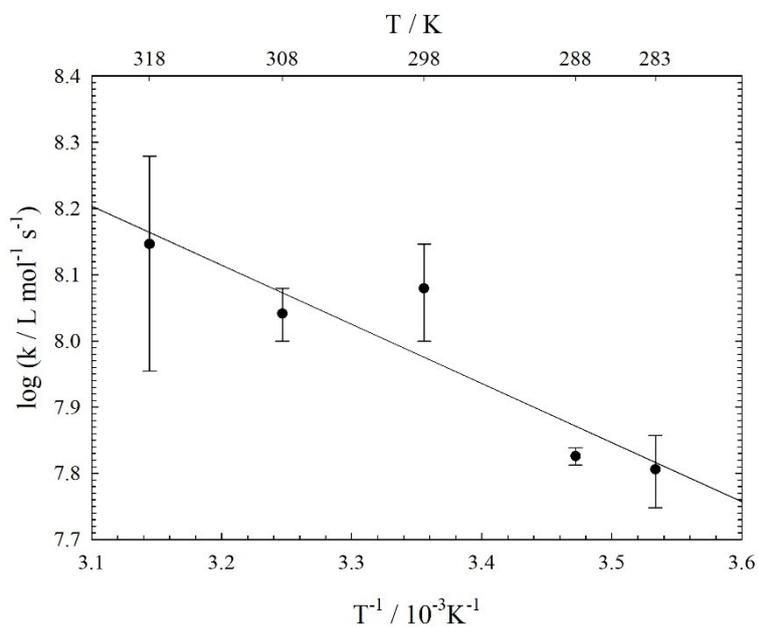
12 **Figure ESM-1:** The UV spectrum of 2-propanone as plot of the molar absorptivity  $\epsilon$  against the wavelength in  
13 neutral aqueous solution.

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15 In Figure ESM-1 the UV spectrum of 2-propanone is shown. The molar absorptivity  $\epsilon$  of acetone can be given with

16  $\epsilon_{248 \text{ nm}} = 11.5 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$ . This data set is shown in Table 3 in the manuscript and was used to obtain the

17 Arrhenius-Plot displayed in Figure ESM-2.



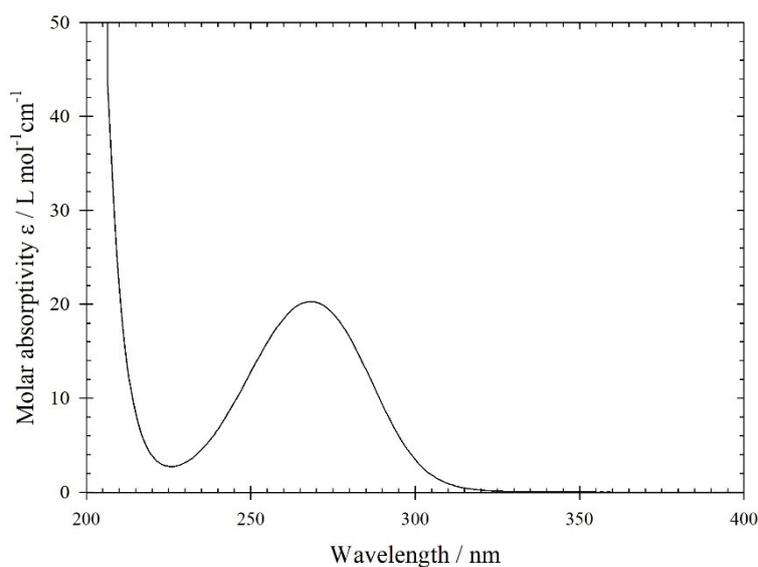
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19 **Figure ESM-2:** Arrhenius plot of the OH radical reaction with 2-propanone considering the internal UV light  
20 absorption (data taken from Ervens et al. (2003)<sup>1</sup>).

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23 1-Hydroxypropan-2-one (Hydroxyacetone, Acetol)



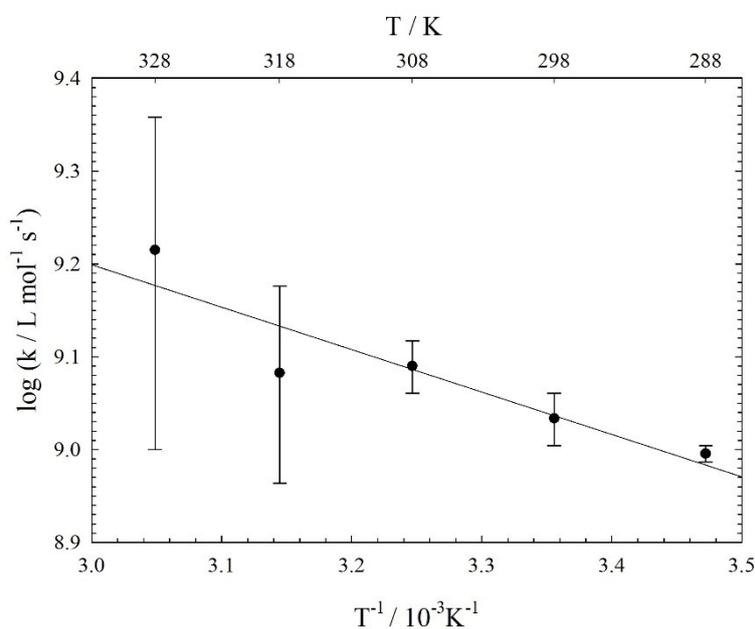
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25 **Figure ESM-3:** The UV spectrum of 1-hydroxypropan-2-one as plot of the molar absorptivity  $\epsilon$  against the  
26 wavelength in neutral aqueous solution.

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28 The UV spectrum of the reactant 1-hydroxypropan-2-one is shown in Figure ESM-3. The molar absorptivity was  
29 determined with  $\epsilon_{248 \text{ nm}} = 11.4 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$  in neutral aqueous solution.

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32 **Figure ESM-4:** Arrhenius plot of the OH radical reaction with 1-hydroxy-propan-2-one considering the internal  
33 UV light absorption.

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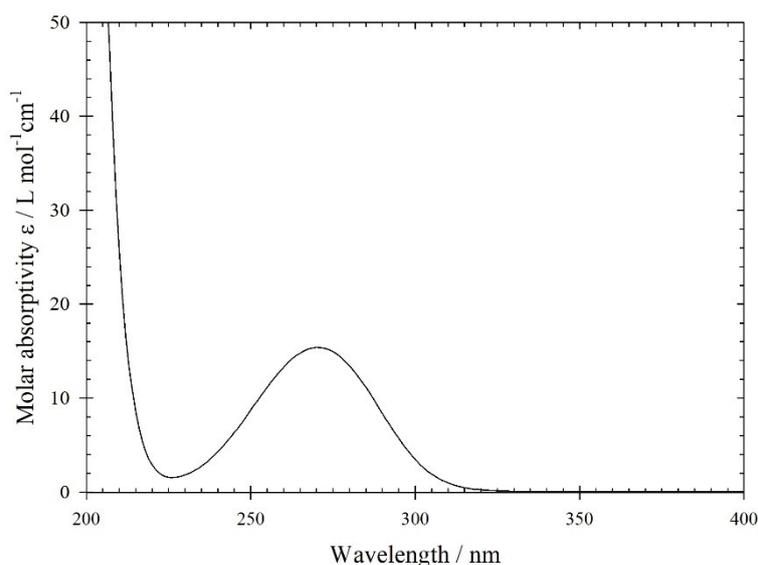
36 **Table ESM 1:** Calculated rate constants without and with considering the internal UV absorption by  
 37 the reactant 1-hydroxy-propan-2-one.

Temperature / K	$k_{\text{not corrected}}$ / $\text{L mol}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$	$k_{\text{corrected}}$ / $\text{L mol}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$	relative change / %
288	$(9.94 \pm 0.43) \cdot 10^8$	$(9.47 \pm 0.47) \cdot 10^8$	4.7
298	$(1.12 \pm 0.07) \cdot 10^9$	$(1.08 \pm 0.07) \cdot 10^9$	3.6
308	$(1.27 \pm 0.08) \cdot 10^9$	$(1.23 \pm 0.08) \cdot 10^9$	3.1
318	$(1.29 \pm 0.31) \cdot 10^9$	$(1.22 \pm 0.29) \cdot 10^9$	5.7
328	$(1.73 \pm 0.61) \cdot 10^9$	$(1.64 \pm 0.64) \cdot 10^9$	5.2

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40 *1,3-Dihydroxypropan-2-one (Dihydroxyacetone)*



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42 **Figure ESM-5:** The UV spectrum of 1,3-dihydroxypropan-2-one as plot of the molar absorptivity  $\epsilon$  against the  
 43 wavelength in neutral aqueous solution.

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45 The UV spectrum of the reactant 1,3-dihydroxypropan-2-one is displayed in Figure ESM-5. The molar absorptivity  
 46 was determined with  $\epsilon_{248 \text{ nm}} = 7.7 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$  in neutral aqueous solution.

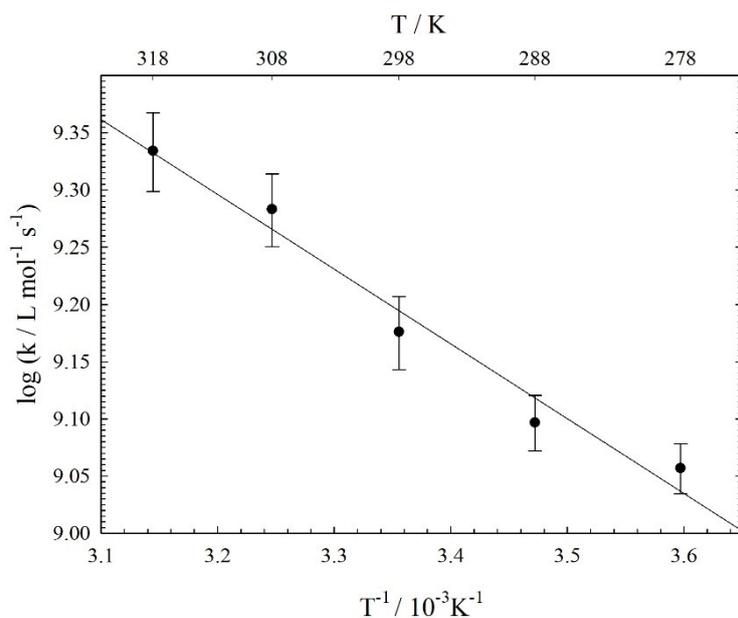
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48 **Table ESM 2:** Calculated rate constants without and with considering the internal UV absorption of the  
 49 reactant 1,3-dihydroxypropan-2-one.

Temperature / K	$k_{\text{not corrected}}$ / $\text{L mol}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$	$k_{\text{corrected}}$ / $\text{L mol}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$	relative change / %
278	$(1.20 \pm 0.57) \cdot 10^9$	$(1.14 \pm 0.57) \cdot 10^9$	5.0
288	$(1.31 \pm 0.09) \cdot 10^9$	$(1.25 \pm 0.07) \cdot 10^9$	4.6
298	$(1.57 \pm 0.13) \cdot 10^9$	$(1.50 \pm 0.11) \cdot 10^9$	4.5
308	$(2.01 \pm 0.16) \cdot 10^9$	$(1.92 \pm 0.14) \cdot 10^9$	4.5
318	$(2.26 \pm 0.21) \cdot 10^9$	$(2.16 \pm 0.17) \cdot 10^9$	4.4

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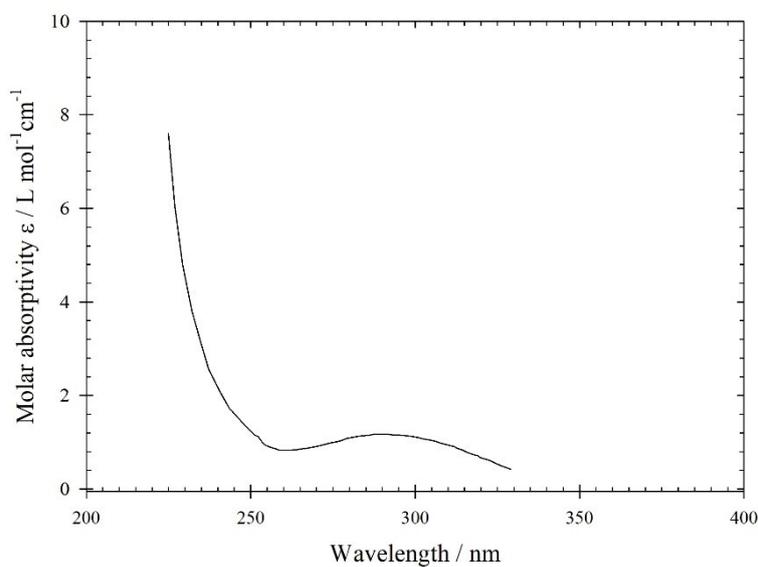
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53 **Figure ESM-6:** Arrhenius plot of the OH radical reaction with 1,3-dihydroxypropan-2-one considering the  
 54 internal UV light absorption.

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57 *2,3-Dihydroxypropanal (Glyceraldehyde)*



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59 **Figure ESM-7:** The UV spectrum of 2,3-dihydroxypropanal as plot of the molar absorptivity  $\epsilon$  against the  
 60 wavelength in neutral aqueous solution, data taken from Berndt (1954)<sup>2</sup>.

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62 The UV spectrum of the reactant 2,3-dihydroxypropanal is displayed in Figure ESM-7. The molar absorptivity was  
 63 determined with  $\epsilon_{248 \text{ nm}} = 1.4 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$  by Berndt (1954)<sup>2</sup> in neutral aqueous solution. The measurement  
 64 conditions of the rate constant determination of the OH radical reaction with 2,3-dihydroxypropanal are given  
 65 in table ESM-3.

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67 **Table ESM-3:** Used concentrations for the measurement of the reactant 2,3-dihydroxypropanal.

Experiment	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	KSCN / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	Reactant / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	[OH] <sub>0</sub> change / %
I	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.2·10 <sup>-5</sup>	0	0
II	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.2·10 <sup>-5</sup>	1.02·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.06
III	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.2·10 <sup>-5</sup>	2.04·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.11
IV	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.2·10 <sup>-5</sup>	3.07·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.17
V	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.2·10 <sup>-5</sup>	4.09·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.23

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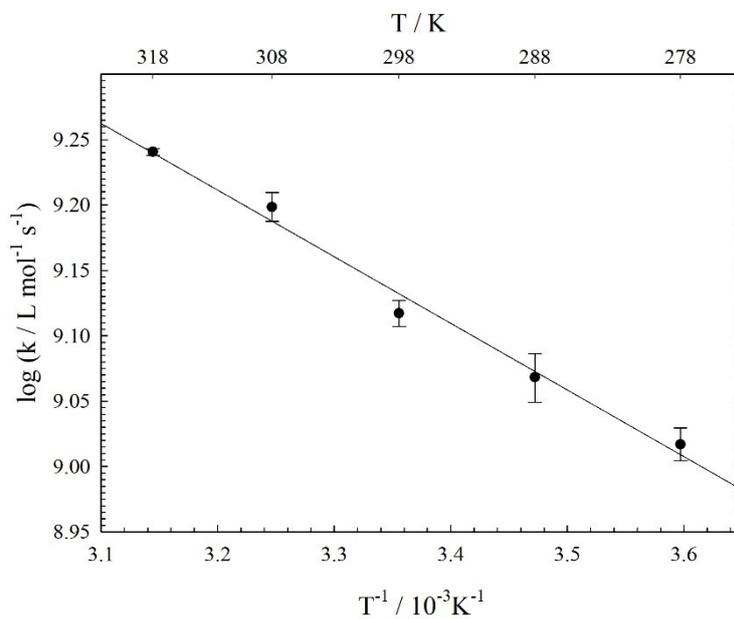
69 The rate constants of the OH radical reaction with the reactant 2,3-dihydroxypropanal is not influenced by the  
70 internal UV absorption, shown in Table ESM-4. The Arrhenius-Plot of this reaction is displayed in Figure ESM-8.

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72 **Table ESM-4:** Calculated rate constants without and with considering the internal UV absorption of the  
73 reactant 2,3-dihydroxypropanal.

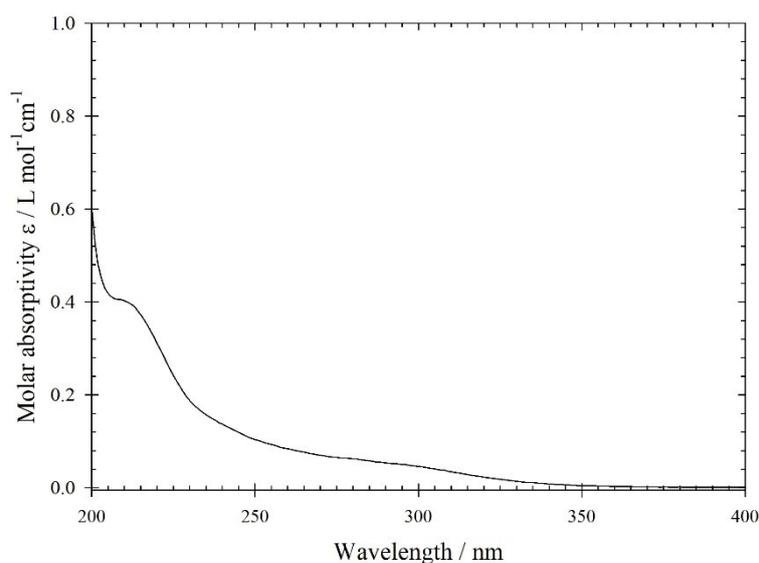
Temperature / K	k <sub>not corrected</sub> / L mol <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	k <sub>corrected</sub> / L mol <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	relative change / %
278	(1.04 ± 0.03) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(1.04 ± 0.03) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0
288	(1.17 ± 0.05) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(1.17 ± 0.05) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0
298	(1.31 ± 0.03) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(1.31 ± 0.03) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0
308	(1.58 ± 0.03) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(1.58 ± 0.04) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0
318	(1.74 ± 0.01) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(1.74 ± 0.01) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0

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76 **Figure ESM-8:** Arrhenius plot of the OH radical reaction with 2,3-dihydroxypropanal considering the internal  
77 UV light absorption.



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80 **Figure ESM-9:** The UV spectrum of butane-1,3-diol as plot of the molar absorptivity  $\epsilon$  against the wavelength in  
81 neutral aqueous solution.

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83 For butane-1,3-diol as reactant the obtained UV spectrum is shown in Figure ESM-10. The molar absorptivity was  
84 determined with  $\epsilon_{248\text{ nm}} = 0.11\text{ L mol}^{-1}\text{ cm}^{-1}$  by in neutral aqueous solution. The used measurement conditions of  
85 the reactant butane-1,3-diol are given in Table ESM-5.

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87 **Table ESM-5:** Used concentrations for the measurement of the reactant butane-1,3-diol.

Experiment	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	KSCN / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	Reactant / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	[OH] <sub>0</sub> change / %
I	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0	0
II	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.009
III	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$4.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.017
IV	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$6.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.026
V	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$8.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.035

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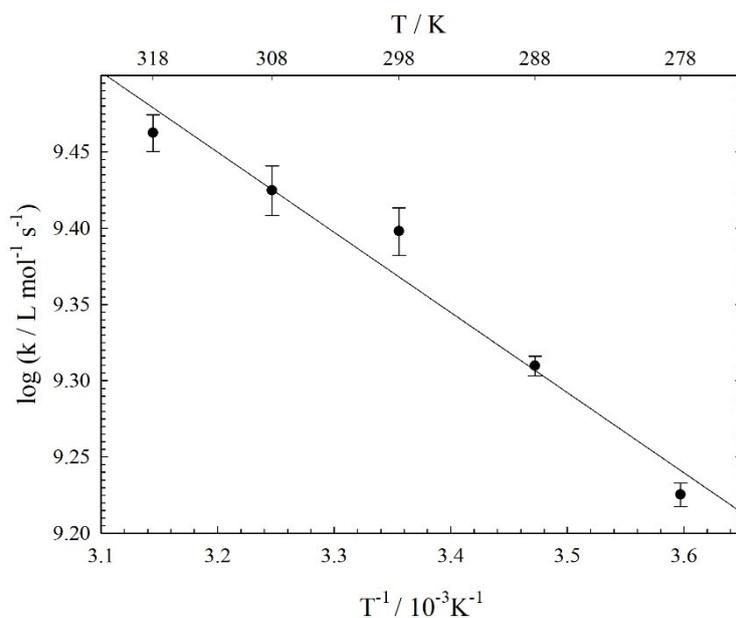
89 The rate constants of the OH radical reaction with the reactant butane-1,3-diol are not influenced by the internal  
90 UV absorption, shown in Table ESM-6. The Arrhenius-Plot of this reaction is given in Figure ESM-10.

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92 **Table ESM-6:** Calculated rate constants without and with considering the internal UV absorption of the  
93 reactant butane-1,3-diol.

Temperature / K	$k_{\text{not corrected}}$ / L mol <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	$k_{\text{corrected}}$ / L mol <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	relative change / %
278	$(1.68 \pm 0.03) \cdot 10^9$	$(1.68 \pm 0.03) \cdot 10^9$	0.0
288	$(2.04 \pm 0.03) \cdot 10^9$	$(2.04 \pm 0.03) \cdot 10^9$	0.0
298	$(2.50 \pm 0.09) \cdot 10^9$	$(2.50 \pm 0.09) \cdot 10^9$	0.0
308	$(2.66 \pm 0.09) \cdot 10^9$	$(2.66 \pm 0.10) \cdot 10^9$	0.0
318	$(2.90 \pm 0.08) \cdot 10^9$	$(2.90 \pm 0.08) \cdot 10^9$	0.0

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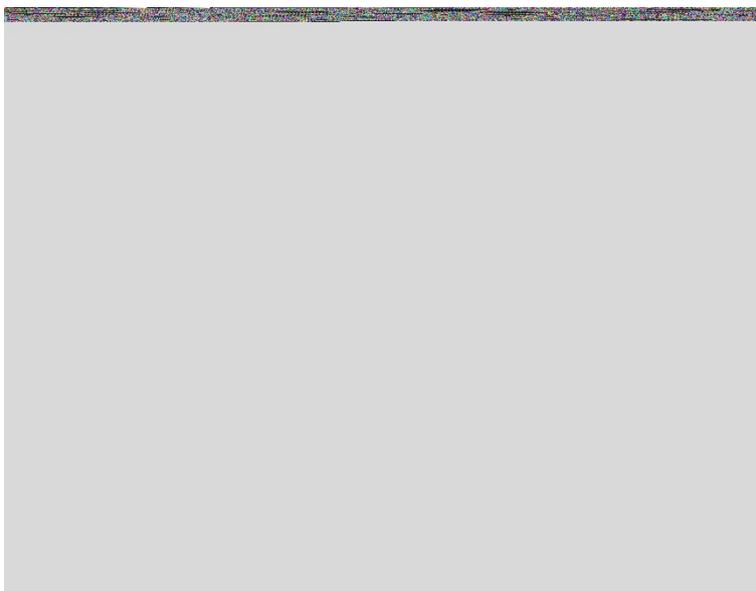
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96 **Figure ESM-10:** Arrhenius plot of the OH radical reaction with butane-1,3-diol.

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99 *Butane-2,3-diol*



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101 **Figure ESM-11:** The UV spectrum of butane-2,3-diol as plot of the molar absorptivity  $\epsilon$  against the wavelength  
 102 in neutral aqueous solution.

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104 Butane-2,3-diol has only a very small molar absorptivity, with  $\epsilon_{248\text{ nm}} = 0.11\text{ L mol}^{-1}\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in neutral aqueous  
 105 solution. The internal filter of the excitation UV light is negligible. To study the reaction of the OH radicals with  
 106 reactant butane-2,3-diol the following measurement conditions have been used (Table ESM 7).

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109 **Table ESM-7:** Used concentrations for the measurement of the reactant butane-2,3-diol.

Experiment	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	KSCN / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	Reactant / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	[OH] <sub>0</sub> change / %
I	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.0·10 <sup>-5</sup>	0	0
II	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.0·10 <sup>-5</sup>	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.009
III	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.0·10 <sup>-5</sup>	4.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.017
IV	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.0·10 <sup>-5</sup>	6.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.026
V	2.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	2.0·10 <sup>-5</sup>	8.0·10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.035

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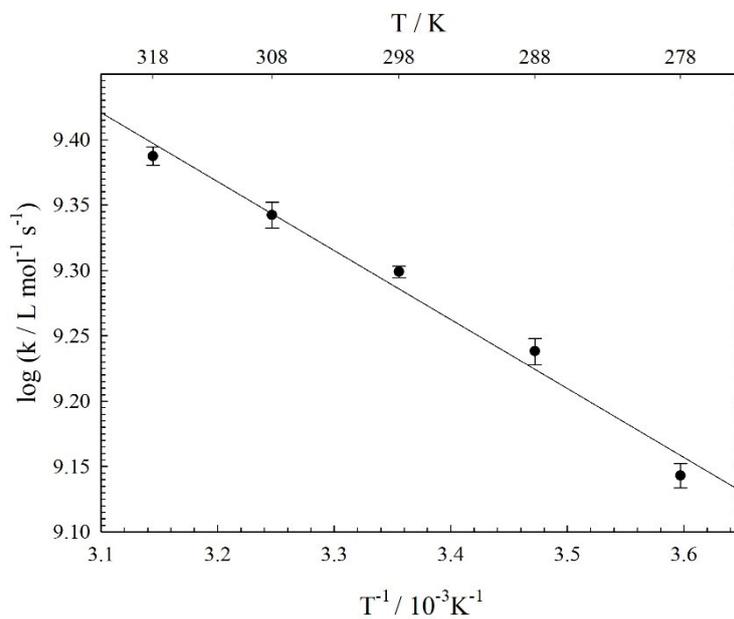
111 For butane-2,3-diol as reactant the obtained rate constants of the OH radical reaction are not influenced by an  
112 internal UV absorption (Table ESM-8). The Arrhenius-Plot of this reaction is given in Figure ESM-12.

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114 **Table ESM-8:** Calculated rate constants without and with considering the internal UV absorption of the  
115 reactant butane-2,3-diol.

Temperature / K	k <sub>not corrected</sub> / L mol <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	k <sub>corrected</sub> / L mol <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	relative change / %
278	(1.39 ± 0.03) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(1.39 ± 0.03) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0
288	(1.73 ± 0.04) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(1.73 ± 0.04) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0
298	(1.99 ± 0.02) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(1.99 ± 0.02) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0
308	(2.20 ± 0.04) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(2.20 ± 0.04) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0
318	(2.45 ± 0.04) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	(2.44 ± 0.04) · 10 <sup>9</sup>	0.0

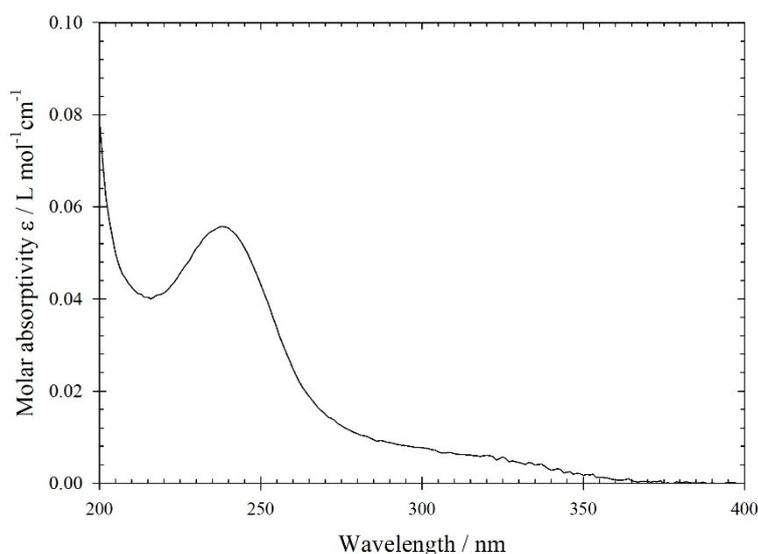
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118 **Figure ESM-12:** Arrhenius plot of the OH radical reaction with butane-2,3-diol.

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122 **Figure ESM-13:** The UV spectrum of hexane-1,2-diol as plot of the molar absorptivity  $\epsilon$  against the wavelength  
 123 in neutral aqueous solution.

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125 Diols have a very small molar absorptivity at  $\lambda = 248 \text{ nm}$   $\epsilon_{248 \text{ nm}} = 0.34 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in neutral aqueous solution,  
 126 due to this the internal filter of the excitation UV light is negligible. The following measurement conditions have  
 127 been used (Table ESM-9).

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129 **Table ESM-9:** Used concentrations for the measurement of the reactant hexane-1,2-diol.

Experiment	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	KSCN / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	Reactant / L mol <sup>-1</sup>	[OH] <sub>0</sub> change / %
I	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.78 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0	0
II	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.78 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$5.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.053
III	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.78 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.107
IV	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.78 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.160
V	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.78 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.213

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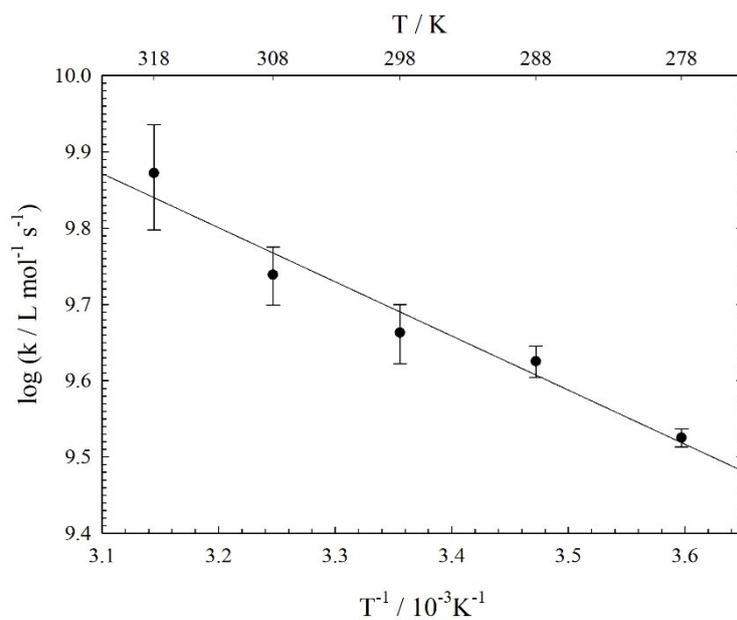
131 The obtained rate constants of the OH radical reaction are also not influenced by an internal UV absorption (Table  
 132 ESM-10), like in the case of butane-1,3-diol and butane-2,3-diol. The obtained Arrhenius-Plot is given in Figure  
 133 ESM-14.

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135 **Table ESM-10:** Calculated rate constants of the OH radical reaction with the reactant hexane-1,2-diol.

Temperature / K	$k_{\text{not corrected}}$ / L mol <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	$k_{\text{corrected}}$ / L mol <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	relative change / %
278	$(3.36 \pm 0.09) \cdot 10^9$	$(3.35 \pm 0.09) \cdot 10^9$	0.3
288	$(4.23 \pm 0.21) \cdot 10^9$	$(4.22 \pm 0.20) \cdot 10^9$	0.2
298	$(4.60 \pm 0.41) \cdot 10^9$	$(4.59 \pm 0.41) \cdot 10^9$	0.2
308	$(5.49 \pm 0.48) \cdot 10^9$	$(5.48 \pm 0.48) \cdot 10^9$	0.2
318	$(7.47 \pm 1.18) \cdot 10^9$	$(7.45 \pm 1.17) \cdot 10^9$	0.3

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138 **Figure ESM-14:** Arrhenius plot of the rate constants of the OH radical reaction with  
 139 hexane-1,2-diol

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