

Supporting Information

Photometric Hydroxyl Radical Scavenging Analysis of Standard Natural Organic Matter Isolates

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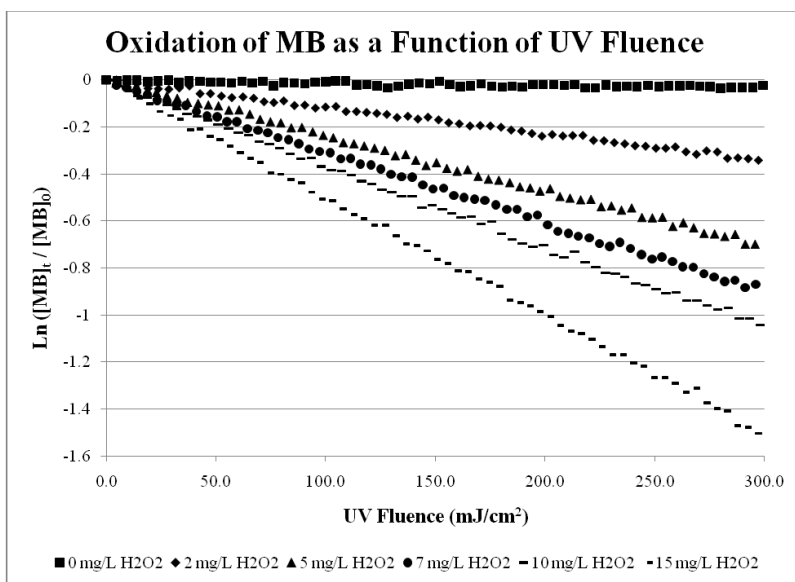


Fig. SI-1: Consistant second order degradation of MB to 80% decay. Minimal photodecay (at 0 mg/L H₂O₂) indicates resistance to UV₂₅₄. Linear decay curves at higher H₂O₂ concentrations indicates predicatable second order behavior when reacting with •OH, and limited generation of •OH scavenging byproducts.

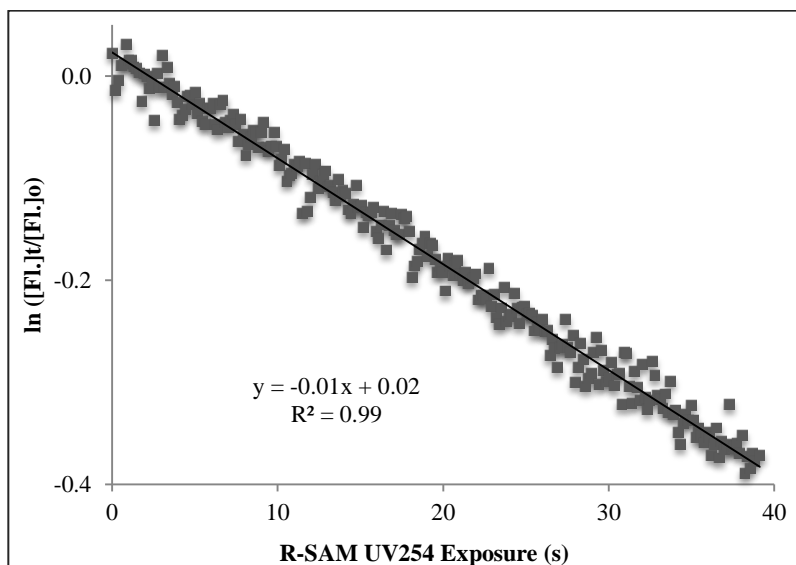


Fig. SI-2: Consistant second order degradation of fluorescein (Fl.) to 30% decay. Indicates predicatable second order behavior when reacting with •OH, and limited generation of •OH scavenging byproducts.

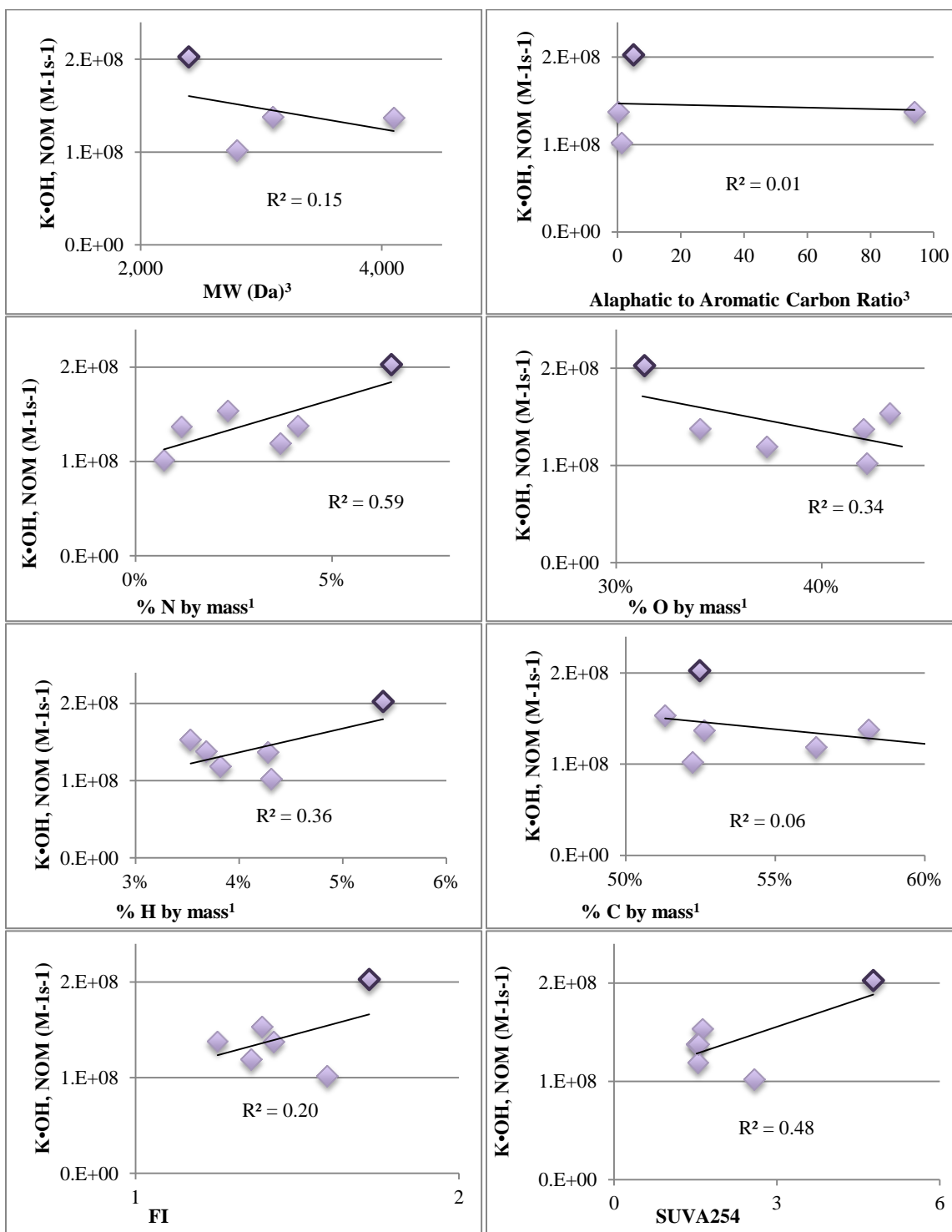
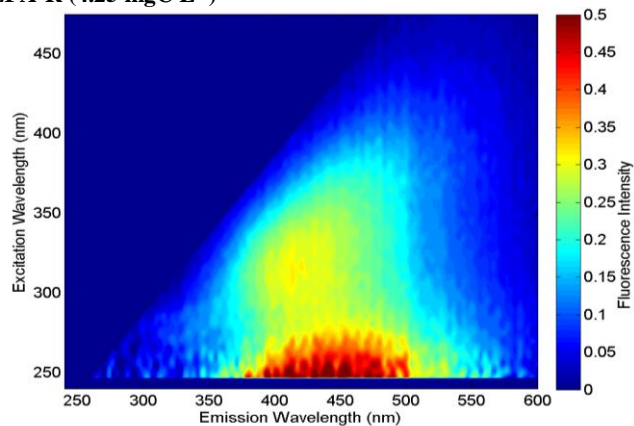


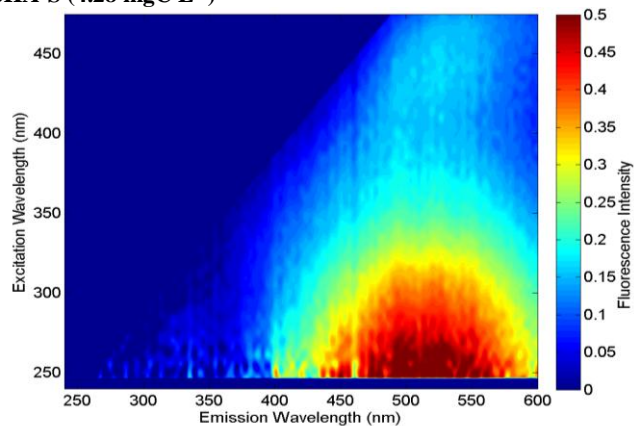
Fig. SI-3: Correlation of NOM characteristics with •OH scavenging rate constants. \blacklozenge : PLFA-R NOM. Apparent relationship between the NOM characteristic shown and the molar-carbon •OH scavenging rate were only due to inclusion of the PLFA-R outlier, and were thus not statistically significant.

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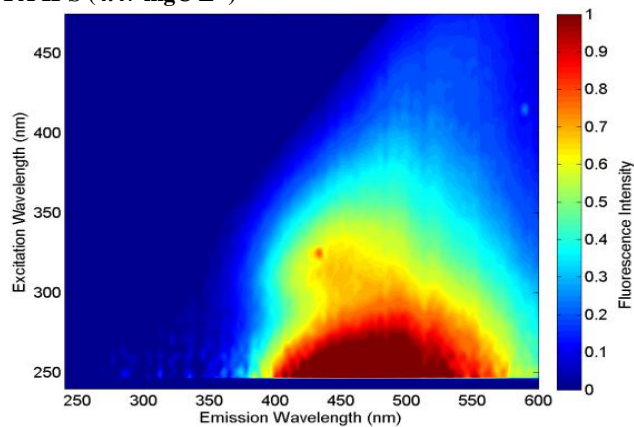
PLFA-R (4.25 mgC L⁻¹)



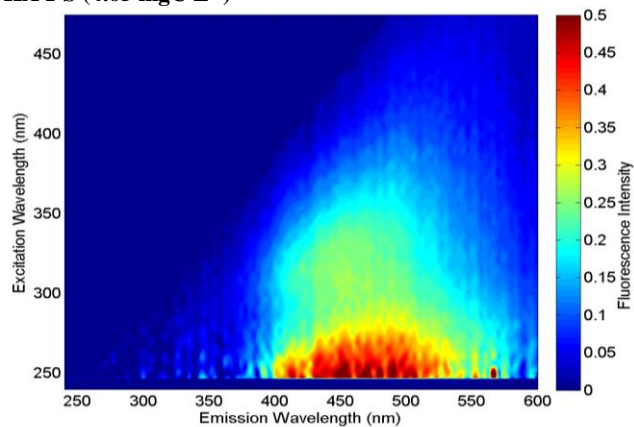
ESHA-S (4.28 mgC L⁻¹)



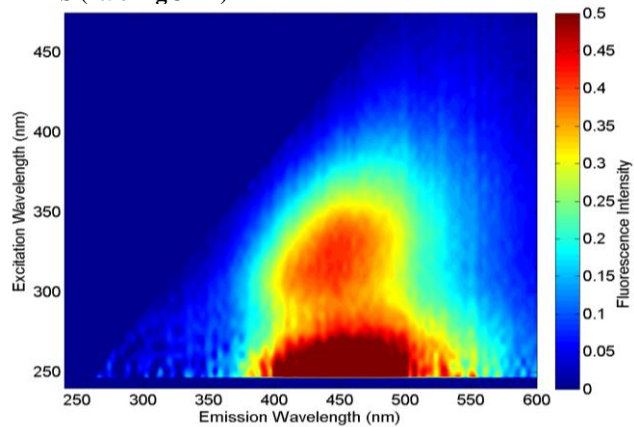
PPFA II-S (4.47 mgC L⁻¹)



PPHA I-S (4.65 mgC L⁻¹)



SRFA I-S (4.56 mgC L⁻¹)



SRHA II-S (4.83 mgC L⁻¹)

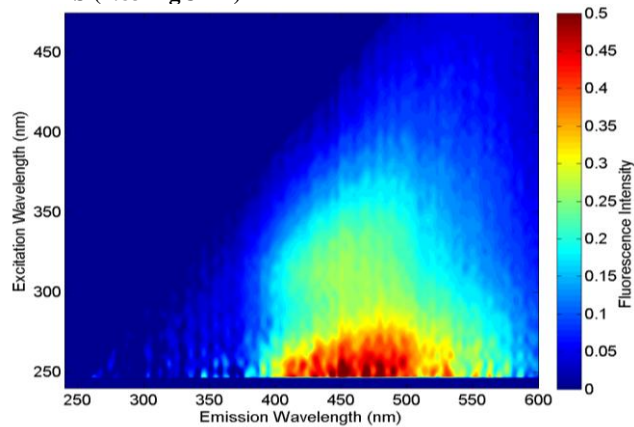


Fig. SI-4: EEMs for NOM isolates.

Derivation of Equation 2

The steady state hydroxyl radical equation (Equation a) models the chemistry of the R-SAM when measuring scavenging rates of NOM.

$$\alpha_{\bullet OH} = ([NOM]k_{\bullet OH, NOM} + [t-BuOH]k_{\bullet OH, t-BuOH} + [P]k_{\bullet OH, P} + [H_2O_2]k_{\bullet OH, H_2O_2})[\bullet OH]_{ss} \quad (a)$$

where $\alpha_{\bullet OH}$, the production rate of $\bullet OH$, is set equal to the consumption of $\bullet OH$ by all scavenging species in solution, including NOM, test concentrations of t-BuOH, the probe dye (P), and unphotolyzed H_2O_2 , which also scavenges $\bullet OH$. $[\bullet OH]_{ss}$ is the steady state concentration of $\bullet OH$, $k_{\bullet OH, X}$ is the reaction rate constant of $\bullet OH$ with a species X present in the test water.

To perform the R-SAM analysis, solutions of probe dye and H_2O_2 were added to the sample waters to yield concentrations of 1 or 5 μM (depending on the dye) and 0.59 mM (20 mg/L), respectively. 40 ml aliquots were spiked with t-BuOH to concentrations ranging from 0 to 1,000 μM . Probe decay rates (k_p^{app}) were measured under UV exposure for each t-BuOH concentration with the R-SAM spectrophotometer using Equation (b).

$$\ln\left(\frac{abs(P)_t}{abs(P)_0}\right) = -k_p^{app} \times t \quad (b)$$

where $abs(P)_t$ and $abs(P)_0$ are the absorbance-based concentration of the probe dye at times t and zero respectively. k_p^{app} is then used to determine $[\bullet OH]_{ss}$ as in Equation (c) using the initial 20% of probe decay to minimize potential effects of oxidation byproducts.

$$k_p^{app} = k_{\bullet OH, P}[\bullet OH]_{ss} \quad (c)$$

Combining Eqs. a-c generates Eq. 2; a relationship between k_p^{app} and [t-BuOH]:

$$k_p^{app} = \frac{k_{\bullet OH, P} \times \alpha_{\bullet OH}}{k_{\bullet OH, NOM}[NOM] + k_{\bullet OH, t-BuOH}[t-BuOH] + k_{\bullet OH, P}[P] + k_{\bullet OH, H_2O_2}[H_2O_2]} \quad (2)$$

Table SI-1: Fitting statistics for R-SAM analyses of NOM Isolates

NOM	[NOM] (μMC)	SE [NOM]	rep.	excluded	n	DF	r2	α_{OH}			[NOM] $k_{\text{OH,NOM}}$				$k_{\text{OH,NOM}}$			Inverse Squared SE-Weighted Average $k_{\text{OH,NOM}}$	
								value	SE	95% CI	value	SE	Relative SE	95% CI	value	SE	95% CI	Value	SE
PLFA-R	467	1.7%	1	0	11	9	0.994	2.23E-07	7.28E-09	2.07E-07 to 2.40E-07	111,176	8,860	8.2%	9.11E+04 to 1.31E+05	2.38E+08	1.94E+07	1.94E+08 to 2.82E+08	2.03E+08	1.2E+07
PLFA-R	300	1.7%	2	0	20	18	0.989	1.38E-07	4.28E-09	1.29E-07 to 1.47E-07	53,335	4,790	9.1%	4.33E+04 to 6.34E+04	1.78E+08	1.63E+07	1.44E+08 to 2.12E+08		
PPFA II-1	273	0.5%	1	0	17	15	0.981	9.80E-08	4.39E-09	8.86E-08 to 1.07E-07	31,593	5,677	18.0%	1.95E+04 to 4.37E+04	1.16E+08	2.08E+07	7.15E+07 to 1.60E+08	1.53E+08	1.3E+07
PPFA II-1	273	0.5%	2	2	21	19	0.988	1.06E-07	3.27E-09	9.94E-08 to 1.13E-07	48,694	4,658	9.6%	3.89E+04 to 5.84E+04	1.79E+08	1.71E+07	1.43E+08 to 2.14E+08		
ESHA-S	417	3.5%	1	0	10	8	0.998	1.20E-07	2.84E-09	1.13E-07 to 1.26E-07	59,350	4,152	7.8%	4.98E+04 to 6.89E+04	1.42E+08	1.11E+07	1.17E+08 to 1.68E+08	1.38E+08	8.3E+06
ESHA-S	300	3.5%	2	2	16	14	0.995	1.05E-07	2.46E-09	1.00E-07 to 1.11E-07	39,561	3,507	9.5%	3.21E+04 to 4.70E+04	1.32E+08	1.26E+07	1.05E+08 to 1.58E+08		
SRHA11-S	287	0.2%	1	3	16	14	0.993	9.91E-08	2.68E-09	9.34E-08 to 1.05E-07	35,985	3,671	10.2%	2.81E+04 to 4.39E+04	1.25E+08	1.28E+07	9.80E+07 to 1.53E+08	1.37E+08	1.0E+07
SRHA11-S	287	0.2%	2	0	18	16	0.989	1.09E-07	3.45E-09	1.02E-07 to 1.17E-07	44,843	4,666	10.4%	3.50E+04 to 5.47E+04	1.56E+08	1.63E+07	1.22E+08 to 1.91E+08		
PPHA I-S	280	0.3%	1	0	19	17	0.984	1.08E-07	4.25E-09	9.92E-08 to 1.17E-07	31,943	5,094	16.0%	2.12E+04 to 4.27E+04	1.14E+08	1.82E+07	7.58E+07 to 1.53E+08	1.19E+08	1.2E+07
PPHA I-S	280	0.3%	2	0	21	19	0.986	1.03E-07	3.42E-09	9.55E-08 to 1.10E-07	34,293	4,459	13.0%	2.50E+04 to 4.36E+04	1.23E+08	1.60E+07	8.94E+07 to 1.56E+08		
SRFA1-S	475	1.9%	1	0	11	9	0.993	1.50E-07	6.84E-09	1.35E-07 to 1.65E-07	46,604	6,659	14.4%	3.15E+04 to 6.17E+04	9.81E+07	1.41E+07	6.63E+07 to 1.30E+08	1.02E+08	1.0E+07
SRFA1-S	300	1.9%	2	0	13	11	0.991	1.08E-07	3.88E-09	9.97E-08 to 1.17E-07	31,988	4,634	14.6%	2.18E+04 to 4.22E+04	1.07E+08	1.56E+07	7.23E+07 to 1.41E+08		