

## SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL:

### An experimental and kinetic modelling study of $n$ -C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> aldehydes oxidation in a jet-stirred reactor.

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## 1. Results

This Section presents additional comparisons of experimental measurements carried out in this study with model results.

### 1.1 $n$ -butanal

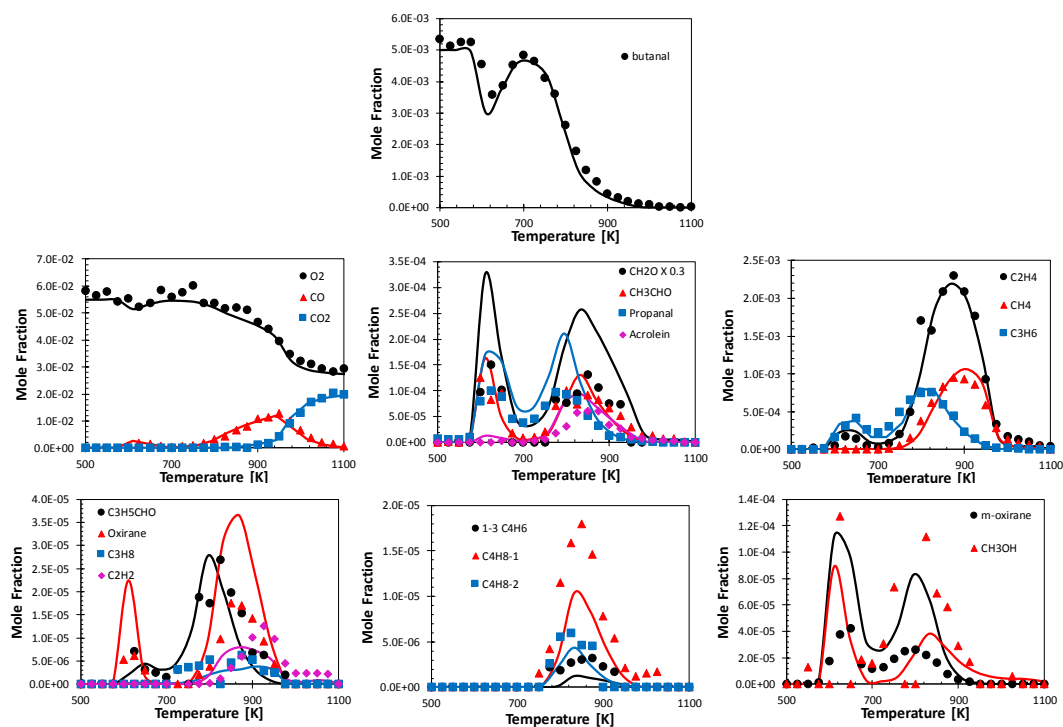


Figure S 1:  $n$ -butanal/ $O_2$ /He oxidation in a JSR at 1 atm,  $\tau = 2.0$  s, and  $\phi = 0.5$ . The initial fuel ( $C_3H_7CHO$ ) mole fraction is 0.5%. Symbols: experimental data from this study, lines: model results.

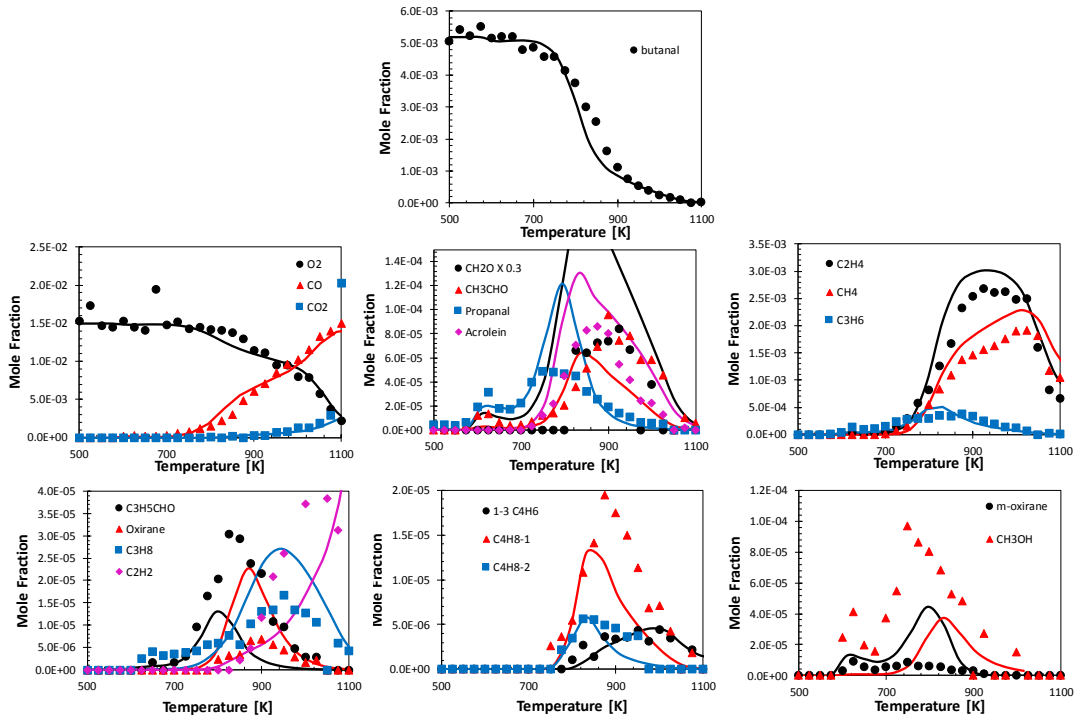


Figure S 2: *n*-butanal/O<sub>2</sub>/He oxidation in a JSR at 1 atm,  $\tau = 2.0$  s, and  $\phi = 2.0$ . The initial fuel (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>CHO) mole fraction is 0.5%. Symbols: experimental data from this study, lines: model results.

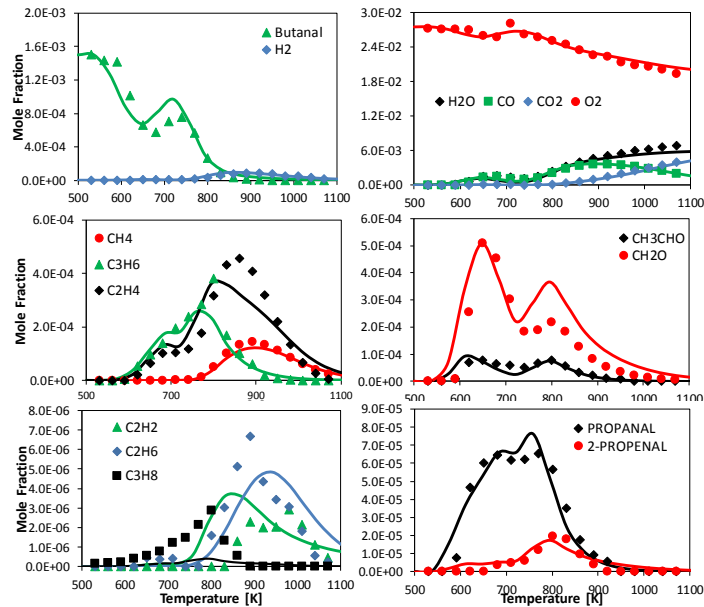


Figure S 3: *n*-butanal/O<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> oxidation in a JSR at 10 atm,  $\tau = 0.7$  s, and  $\phi = 0.3$ . The initial fuel (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>CHO) mole fraction is 0.15%. Symbols: experimental data from Veloo et al., lines: model results.

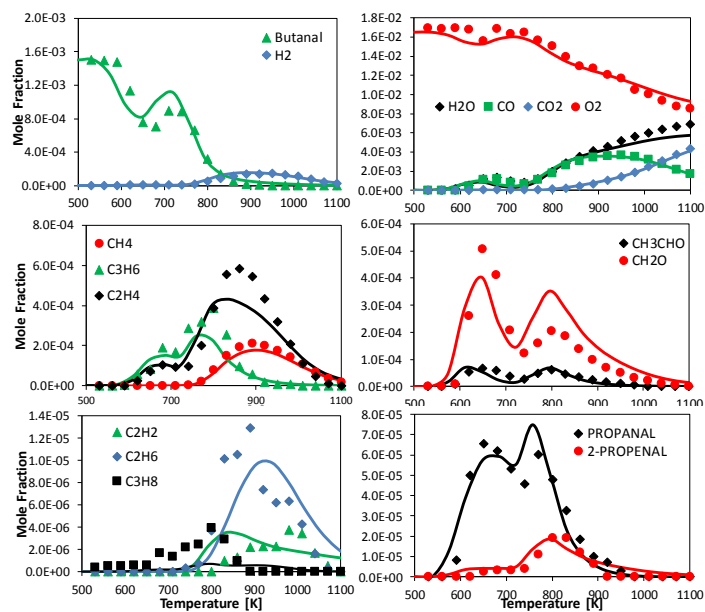


Figure S 4: *n*-butanal/O<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> oxidation in a JSR at 10 atm,  $\tau = 0.7$  s, and  $\phi = 0.5$ . The initial fuel (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>CHO) mole fraction is 0.15%. Symbols: experimental data from Veloo et al., lines: model results.

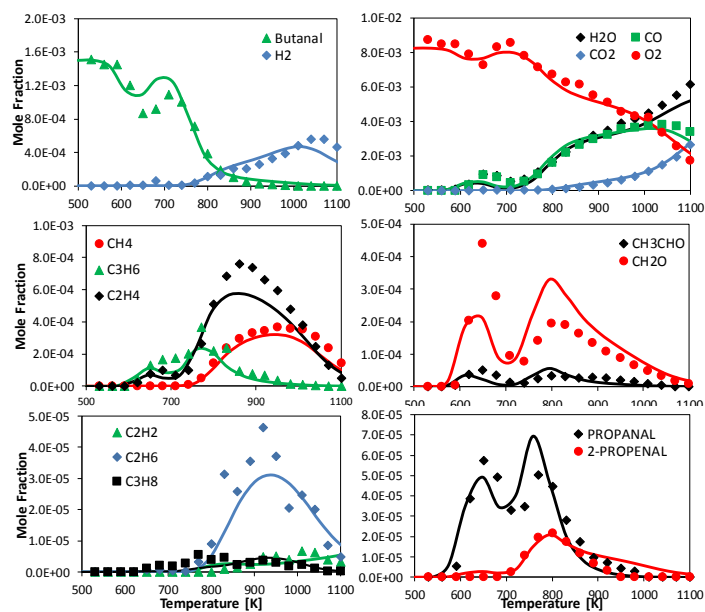


Figure S 5: *n*-butanal/O<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> oxidation in a JSR at 10 atm,  $\tau = 0.7$  s, and  $\phi = 1.0$ . The initial fuel (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>CHO) mole fraction is 0.15%. Symbols: experimental data from Veloo et al., lines: model results.

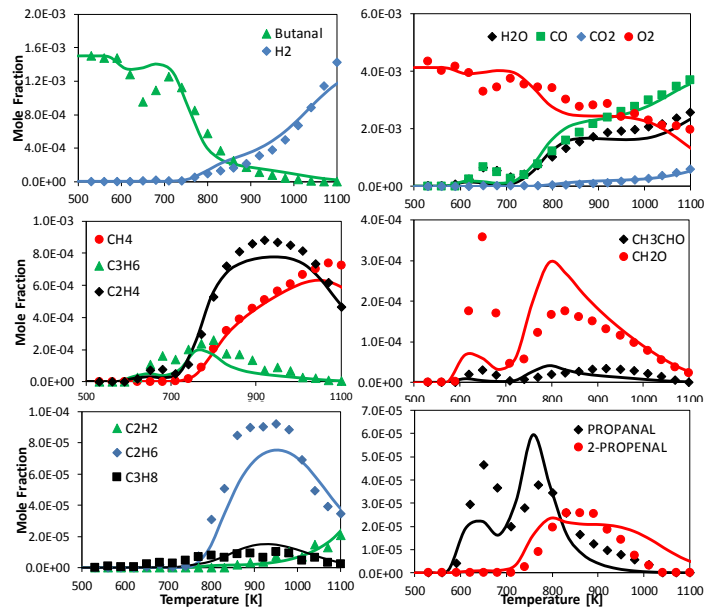


Figure S 6: *n*-butanol/ $O_2$ / $N_2$  oxidation in a JSR at 10 atm,  $\tau = 0.7$  s, and  $\phi = 2.0$ . The initial fuel ( $C_3H_7CHO$ ) mole fraction is 0.15%. Symbols: experimental data from Veloo et al., lines: model results.

## 1.2 *n*-pentanal

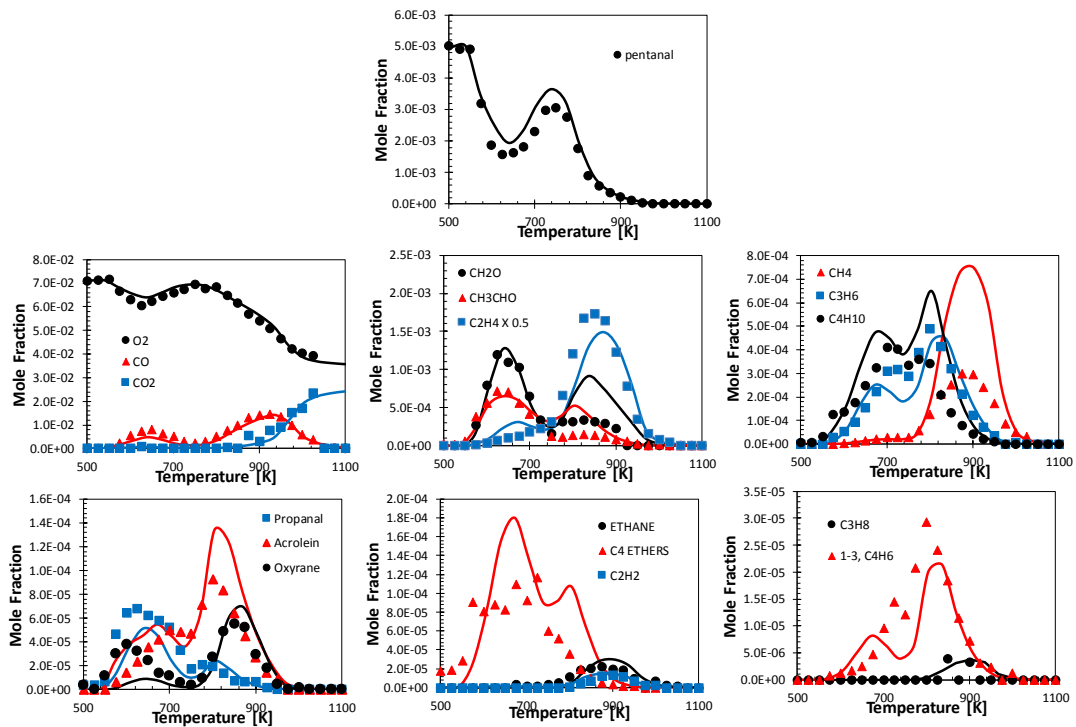


Figure S 7: *n*-pentanal/ $O_2$ /He oxidation in a JSR at 1 atm,  $\tau = 2.0$  s, and  $\phi = 0.5$ . The initial fuel ( $C_4H_9CHO$ ) mole fraction is 0.5%. Symbols: experimental data from this study, lines: model results.

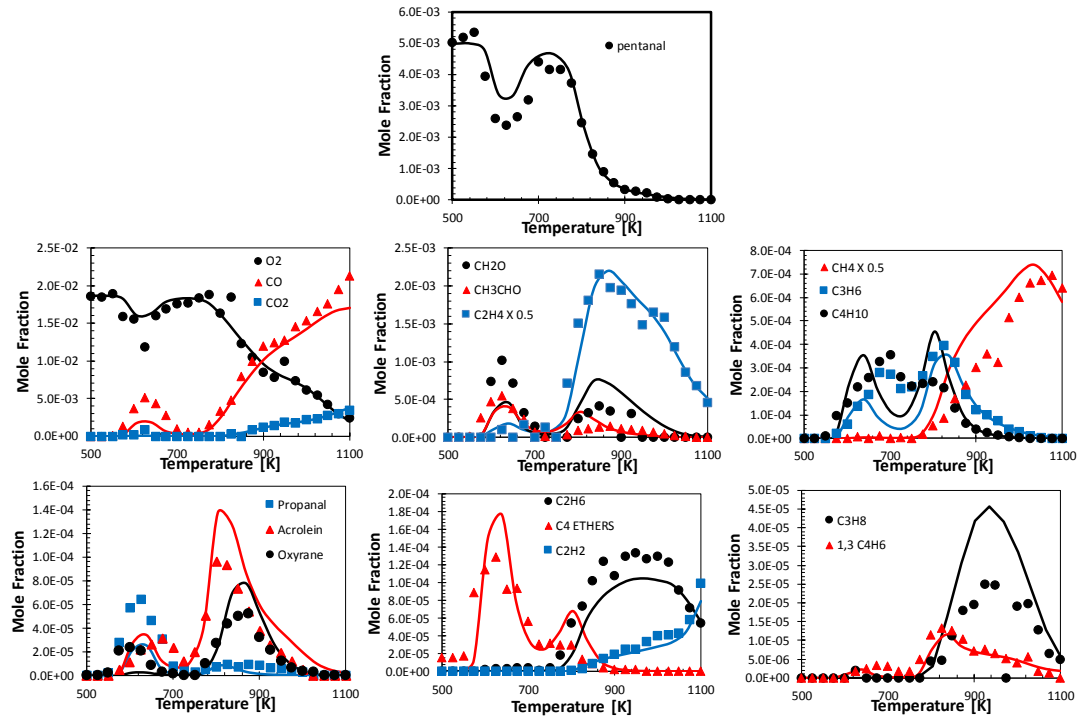


Figure S 8: *n*-pentanal/O<sub>2</sub>/He oxidation in a JSR at 1 atm,  $\tau = 2.0$  s, and  $\phi = 2.0$ . The initial fuel (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>CHO) mole fraction is 0.5%. Symbols: experimental data from this study, lines: model results.

### 1.3 *n*-hexanal

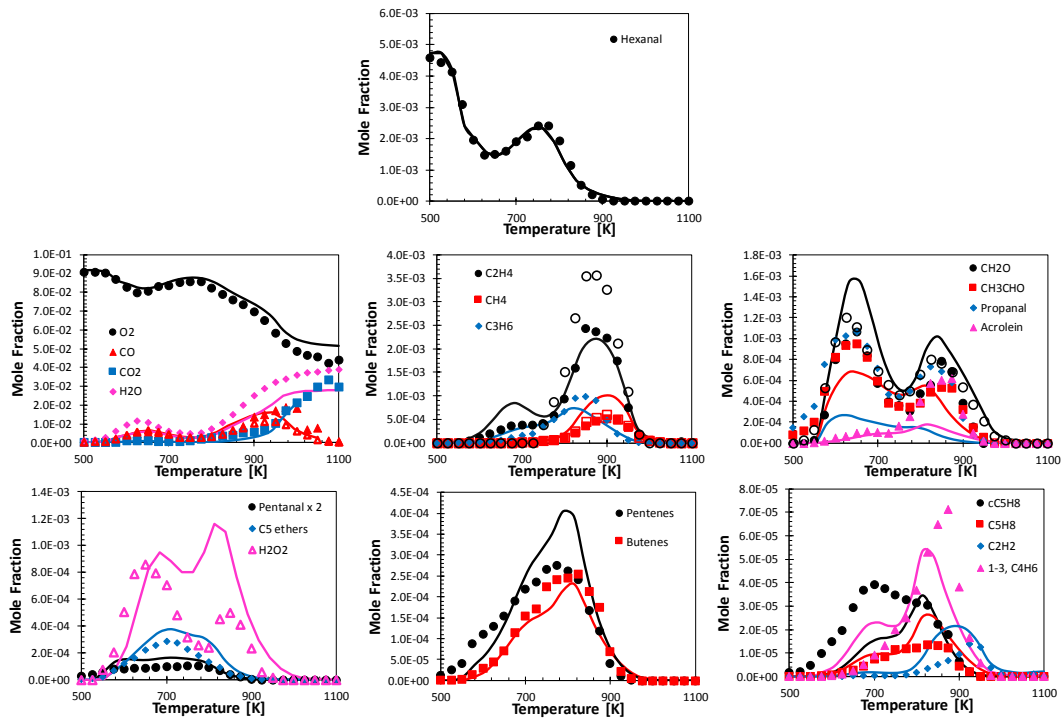


Figure S 9: *n*-hexanal/O<sub>2</sub>/He oxidation in a JSR at 1 atm,  $\tau = 2.0$  s, and  $\phi = 0.5$ . The initial fuel (ALDC6) mole fraction is 0.5%. Symbols: experimental data from this study, lines: model results.

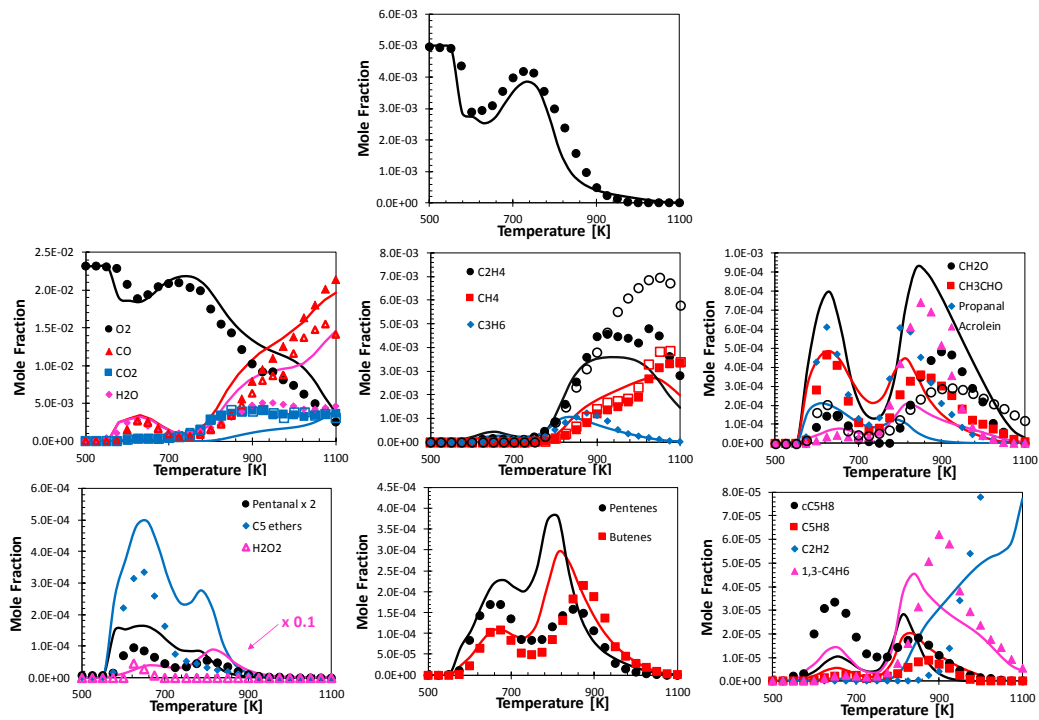


Figure S 10: *n*-hexanal/O<sub>2</sub>/He oxidation in a JSR at 1 atm,  $\tau = 2.0$  s, and  $\phi = 2.0$ . The initial fuel (ALDC6) mole fraction is 0.5%. Symbols: experimental data from this study, lines: model results.

## Additional comparisons

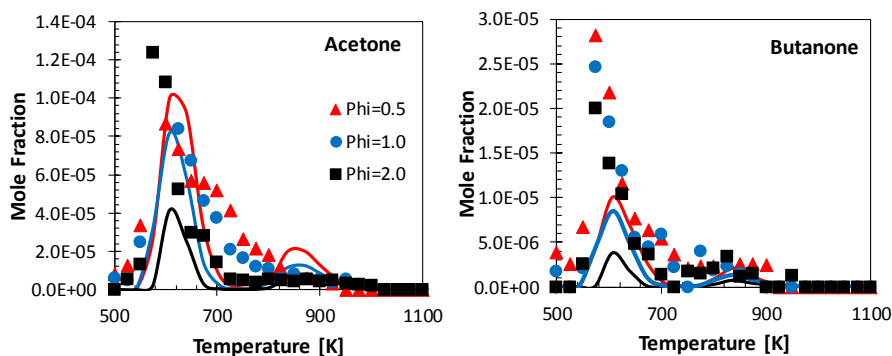


Figure S 11: Acetone and butanone formation in *n*-pentanal oxidation. Symbols: experimental data from this study, lines: model predictions.

The decomposition of butane ketohydroperoxides through the Korcek mechanism (*Combust. Flame*, 162 (2015) 1679-1691) explains the low temperature formation of acetone in *n*-pentanal oxidation. However, formic acid that should be formed together with acetone was not detected.

Butanone formation is explained on the basis of recombination/disproportionation reactions of peroxy radicals butyl radicals, as discussed in Ranzi et al. (*Combust. Flame*, 162 (2015) 1679-1691).

## 2. Lumped Low Temperature Mechanism and Species Nomenclature

Table S1: Kinetic parameters of the lumped low temperature reactions of *n*-butanal and *n*-hexanal.

| Lumped Reactions   | n-butanal |              | n-hexanal |              |
|--|-----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
|  | A         | Ea (cal/mol) | A         | Ea (cal/mol) |
| OH+ALD = H <sub>2</sub> O + CO + R <sub>C<sub>n</sub>-1, alkyl</sub> | 2.00E+13  | 630          | 2.00E+13  | 630          |
| OH+ALD = H <sub>2</sub> O + RALD                                     | 2.00E+13  | 1700         | 3.40E+13  | 1700         |
| O <sub>2</sub> +RALD => RALDOO                                       | 4.00E+12  | 0            | 4.00E+12  | 0            |
| RALDOO => O <sub>2</sub> +RALD                                       | 1.00E+13  | 31500        | 1.00E+13  | 31500        |
| RALDOO => QALDX  | 1.50E+12  | 25000        | 3.00E+12  | 24000        |
| QALDX => RALDOO  | 3.00E+10  | 15000        | 3.00E+10  | 15000        |
| RALDOO => OH + CO + C <sub>n-1, aldehyde</sub>                       | 6.00E+11  | 23500        | 6.00E+11  | 23500        |
| RALDOO => CO + C <sub>nalkane</sub> QOOH                             | 3.00E+10  | 19000        | 3.00E+10  | 19000        |
| QALDX => OH + C <sub>n</sub> Lactone                                 | 1.00E+12  | 18000        | 1.00E+12  | 17000        |
| QALDX => HO <sub>2</sub> + C <sub>n</sub> Unsat. Ald.                | 4.00E+13  | 23500        | 4.00E+13  | 23500        |
| QALDX => OH + C <sub>l</sub> Dione + C <sub>m</sub> olefin           | 2.40E+13  | 23000        | 2.40E+13  | 23000        |

|   |          |       |          |       |
|---|----------|-------|----------|-------|
| QALDX => OH + C <sub>l</sub> Sat. Aldehyde + C <sub>m</sub> Unsat. Aldehyde | 2.40E+13 | 23000 | 2.40E+13 | 23000 |
| O <sub>2</sub> + QALDX => QALDX   | 4.00E+12 | 0     | 4.00E+12 | 0     |
| ZALDX => O <sub>2</sub> + QALDX   | 1.00E+13 | 31500 | 1.00E+13 | 31500 |
| ZALDX => OH + KEALD   | 1.00E+11 | 18000 | 1.00E+11 | 18000 |
| ZALDX => OH + CO + C <sub>n-1,alkane</sub> KHYP                             | 1.00E+11 | 18000 | 1.00E+11 | 18000 |
| KEALD => OH + Products  | 3.80E+15 | 41000 | 3.80E+15 | 41000 |

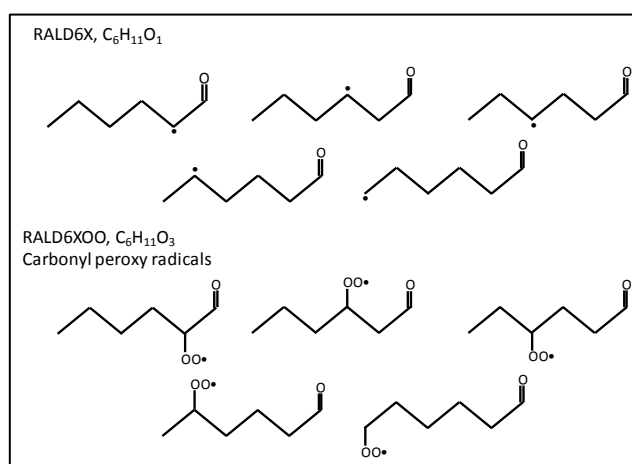


Figure S 12: alkyl radicals (RALD6X) and peroxy carbonyl radicals (RALD6XOO) from *n*-hexanal (ALDC6) LT oxidation.

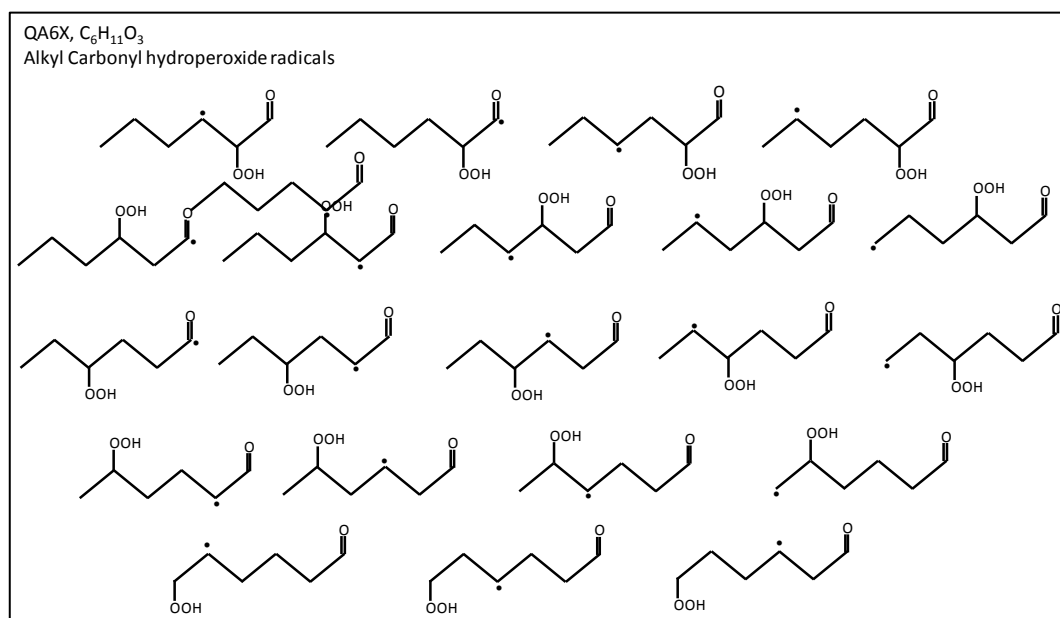


Figure S 13: alkyl carbonyl hydroperoxide radicals (QA6X) from *n*-hexanal LT oxidation.



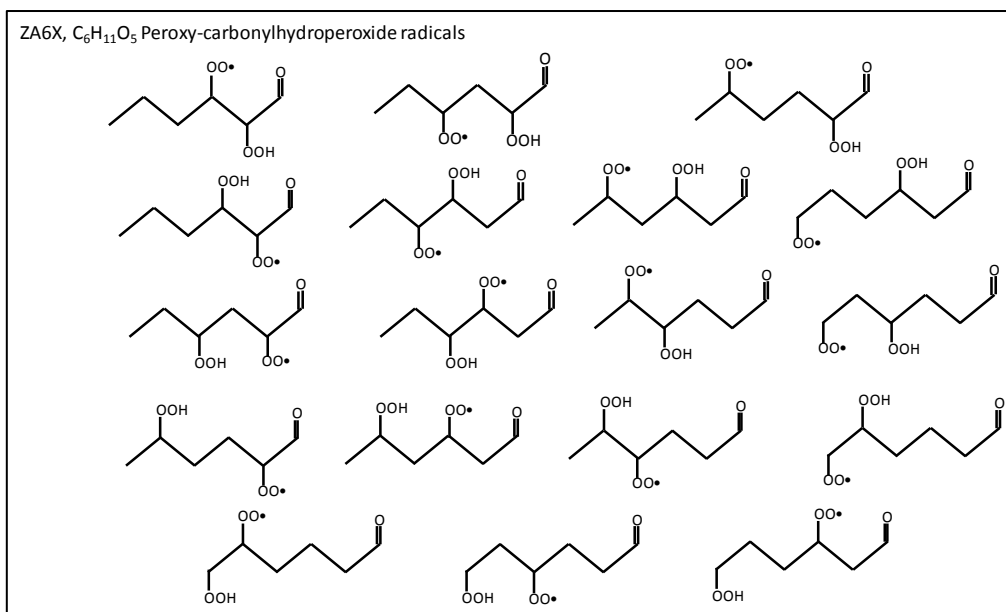


Figure S 14: Figure S 15: Peroxy carbony hydroperoxide radicals (ZA6X) from *n*-hexanal LT oxidation.

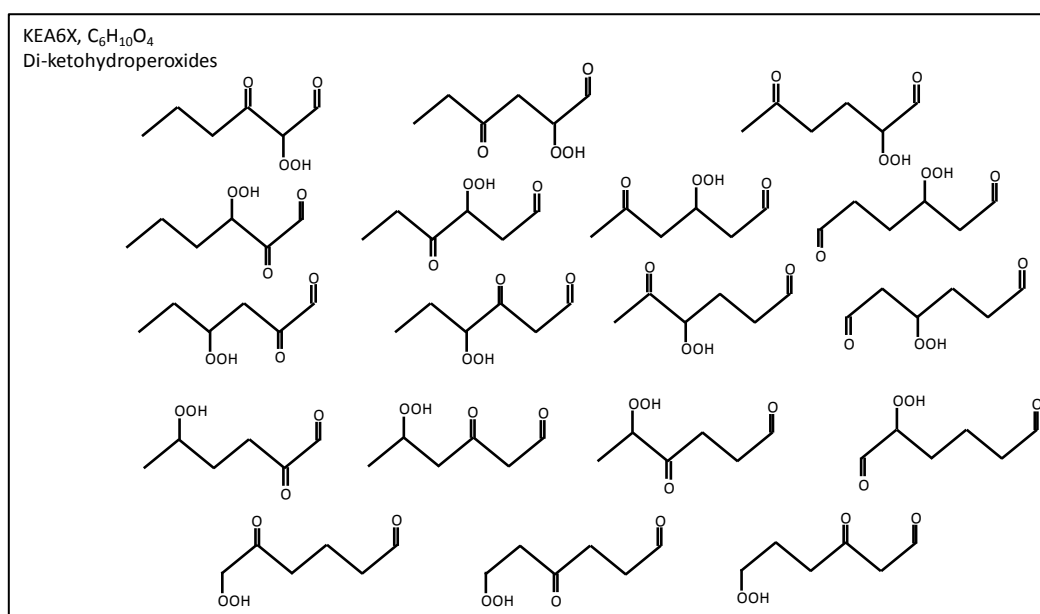


Figure S 16: Di-ketohydroperoxides (KEA6X) from *n*-hexanal LT oxidation.

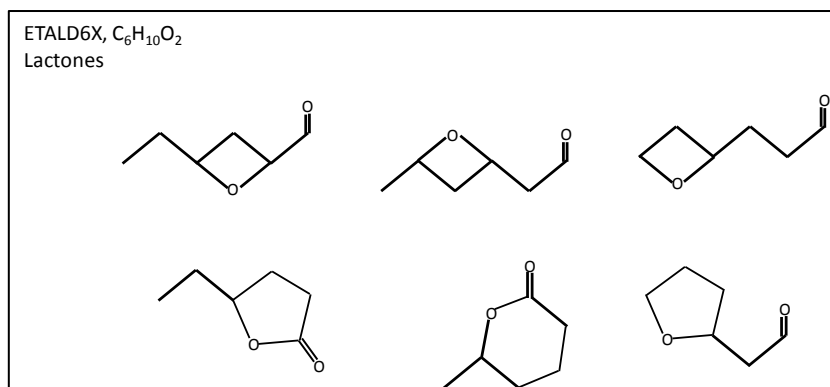


Figure S 17: Lactones (ETALD6X) from *n*-hexanal LT oxidation.

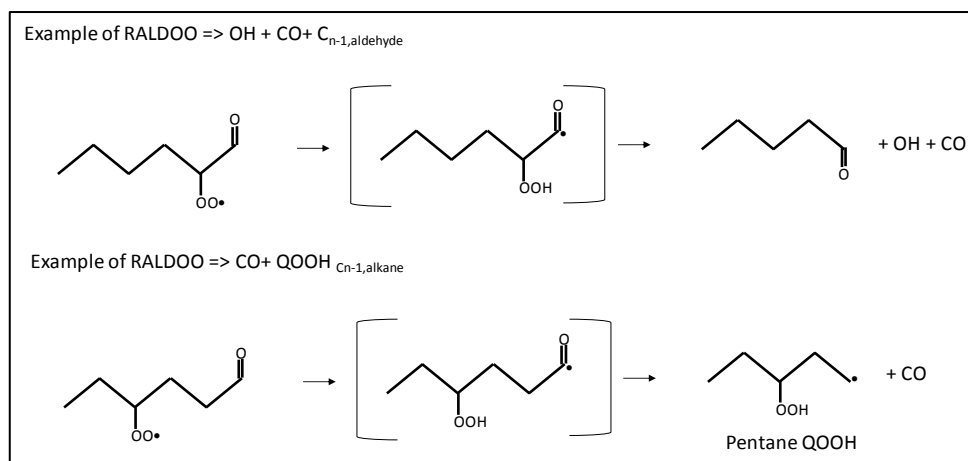


Figure S 18: Example of decomposition reactions of RALD6OOX radical.

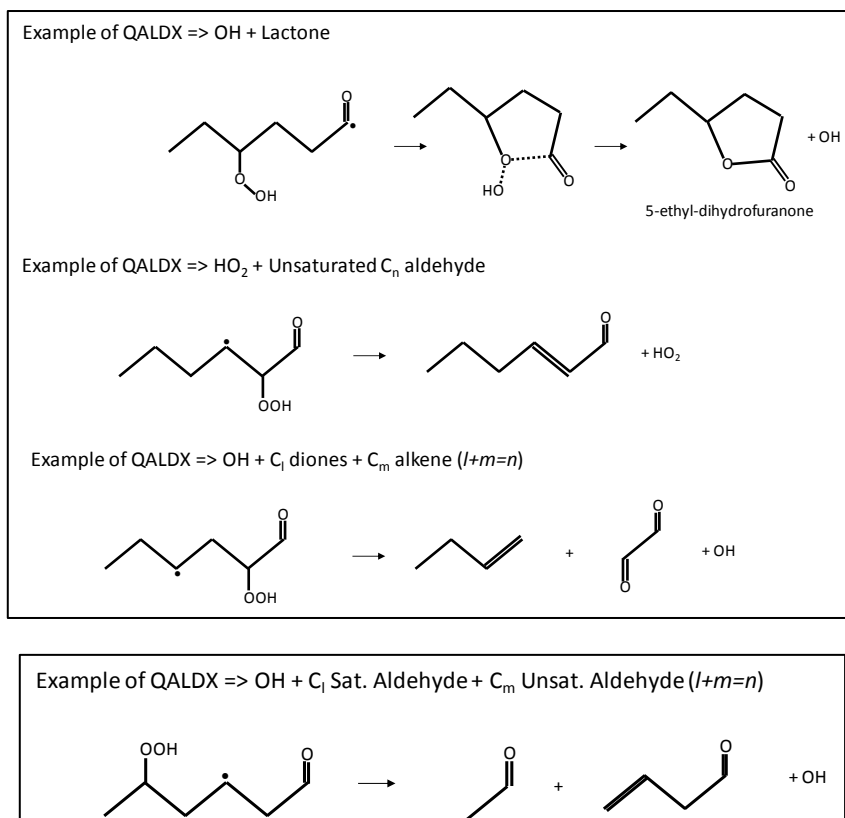


Figure S 19: Example of decomposition reactions of QA6X radical.

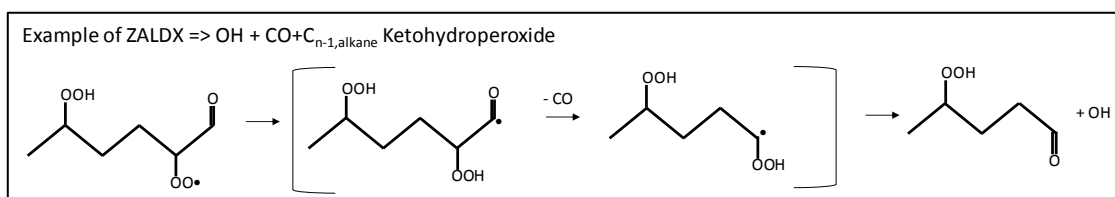


Figure S 20: Example of decomposition reactions of ZA6X radical.

Table S2: nomenclature of other relevant species.

| Formula   | Name                                  | Nomenclature                                 |
|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>n-butanal (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>CHO)</b>                  |                                       |  |
| C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>3</sub>                      | Carbonyl peroxy radical               | RALD4OOX                                     |
| C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>3</sub>                      | Alkyl Carbonyl hydroperoxide radicals | QA4X   |
| C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>5</sub>                      | Peroxy-carbonylhydroperoxide radicals | ZA4X   |
| C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>4</sub>                      | Di-ketohydroperoxides                 | KEA4X  |
| C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                      | Butyrolactones                        | ETALD4X                                      |
| <b>n-pentanal (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>CHO)</b>                 |                                       |  |
| C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                     | Pentyl peroxy radical                 | NC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub> -OO          |
| C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                     | Pentyl hydroperoxide radical          | NC <sub>5</sub> -QOOH                        |
| C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub> O <sub>4</sub>                     | Peroxy pentyl hydroperoxide radical   | NC <sub>5</sub> -OOQOOH                      |
| C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>1</sub>                     | C <sub>5</sub> cyclic ethers          | NC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> -O           |
| C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>3</sub>                     | Pentane ketohydroperoxide             | NC <sub>5</sub> -OQOOH                       |
| <b>Other species relevant to the LT combustion of n-aldehydes</b> |                                       |  |
| C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                      | Butanedione                           | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub> |
| C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                      | Propanedial                           | CHOCH <sub>2</sub> CHO                       |
| C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                      | Glyoxal                               | CHOCHO                                       |
| C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>1</sub>                      | Butenal isomers                       | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CHO            |
| C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O <sub>1</sub>                      | Acrolein (propenal)                   | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> CHO            |
| C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>1</sub>                     | Hexenal isomers                       | C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>9</sub> CHO            |

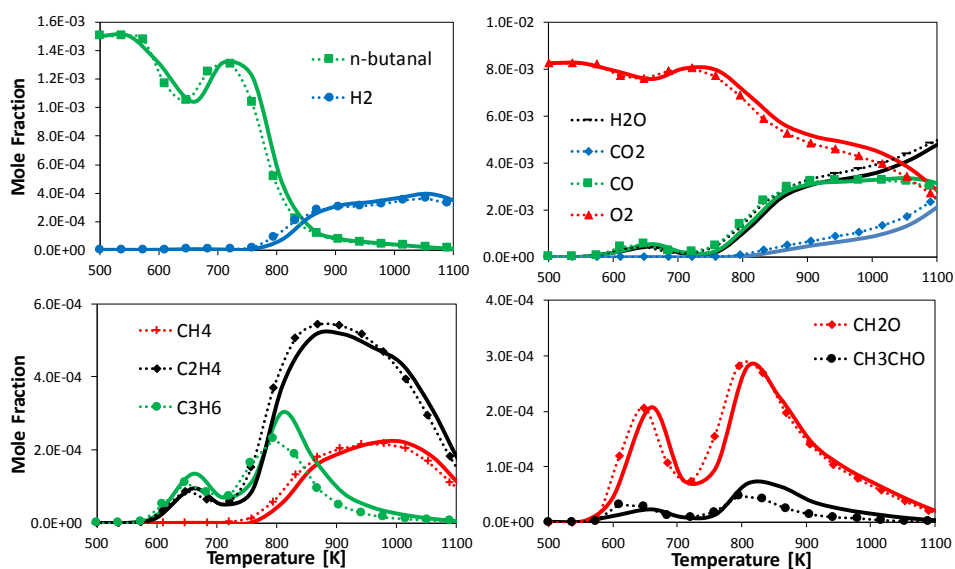


Figure S 22: Comparison between detailed n-butanal model (solid lines) (Pelucchi et al. Proceedings of the Combustion Institute 36.1 (2017): 393-401) and its lumped version (dashed lines with symbols). Conditions as in Figure S5.