

Supporting Information for

Atmospheric OH Oxidation Chemistry of Particulate Liquid Crystal Monomers: An Emerging Persistent Organic Pollutant in Air

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33 **S1. Experimental details**

34 **S1.1 Reagents**

35 1-ethyl-4-(4-(4-propylcyclohexyl)phenyl)benzene (EPPB; #E1162) and 4''-ethyl-2'-fluoro-4-propyl-
36 1,1':4',1''-terphenyl (EFPT; #E1264) were purchased from TCI Chemicals. Ammonium sulfate (#A4915),
37 sodium iodide (#383112), and acetonitrile (#50387) were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. CO gas (0.1%
38 in air) was purchased from Air Liquide. O₃ was produced by an O₃ generator (Ozone Solutions, model
39 TG-10) supplied with high grade O₂ (Air Liquide, 99.999%).

40 **S1.2 Photochemical oxidation flow reactor (OFR)**

41 The total flow rate through the OFR was 0.9 L min⁻¹ with a residence time of 60 s. The temperature of
42 the reactor was maintained at 298 K by circulating water through an outer jacket of the reactor. The
43 (NH₄)₂SO₄ particles (mode mobility diameter 73 nm) were generated via atomization (TSI, model 3706),
44 dried through a diffusion drier (TSI, model 3062), and then passed through the headspace of a
45 temperature-controlled Pyrex tube (343 K) containing a pure LCM, to generate coated particles with a
46 calculated coating thickness of 3 nm (calculated based upon the shift in the peak of the particle size
47 distribution). Upon achieving a steady-state concentration of LCM (15 μg m⁻³) under 254 nm UV light
48 irradiation (Jelight, #82-3309-9), O₃ (0–2 ppm) was introduced into the OFR. The RH in the OFR was
49 constantly maintained at 35% by controlling the flow of dry and wet zero air into the OFR. The UV lamp
50 inside the reactor was surrounded by a quartz sheath tube, which was purged with compressed air to cool
51 the lamp. The O₃ concentration, RH, particle size distribution, and particulate LCM concentration were
52 measured with an O₃ monitor (2B Technology, model 202), a RH sensor (Vaisala Inc., model HMP60),
53 a scanning mobility particle sizer (SMPS, TSI), and an Aerodyne HR-TOF-AMS,¹ respectively. Control
54 experiments demonstrated that O₃ had no effect on the degradation of LCMs. The particle-phase
55 concentration of LCMs decreased <3% when exposed to 254 nm UV light in the absence of O₃,
56 suggesting that the direct photolysis had negligible impacts on the degradation of LCMs.

57 Based on the estimated vapor pressure of EPPB and EFPT (< 10⁻⁴ Pa; see Table S1),² these two LCMs
58 are considered to be non-volatile and should mainly remain in the particle-phase (rather than gas-phase)
59 during the OFR experiments. To further verify this hypothesis, the LCMs coated on (NH₄)₂SO₄ particles
60 were introduced into the OFR after having passed through an activated carbon denuder which can remove
61 volatile organics vapors from the flow. It was found that the size distribution of the coated particles
62 (measured using a SMPS) remained unchanged after passing through the denuder. In addition, if a large
63 fraction of LCMs were present in the gas-phase, they would likely form secondary organic materials
64 upon OH oxidation, thus resulting in an enhancement in the mass concentration of the total particulate
65 organics. However, this is not the case for these two LCMs. The mass concentration of the total
66 particulate organics remained stable during the OH oxidation experiments, as measured by the HR-TOF-
67 AMS. Together, these results suggest that the two LCMs studied here are non-volatile and mainly remain
68 in the particle-phase during the OFR experiments, and are subjected to OH heterogeneous oxidation only.

69 In the atmosphere, gas-phase OH radicals can react with particulate LCMs through two pathways: gas-
70 particle surface reactions and particle-phase reactions (OH diffuses into a particle and reacts with a LCM).
71 Here, the derived effective rate constant (k_{eff}) considers the whole heterogeneous process which includes
72 both pathways, and thus is relevant to the atmospheric processing of particulate LCMs and can be used
73 to estimate the atmospheric persistence of LCMs.

74 S1.3 EESI-TOFMS

75 The particulate products formed from the heterogeneous OH oxidation of LCMs were measured using
76 an EESI-TOFMS which had been described previously.^{3,4} The sample flow was introduced into the EESI-
77 TOFMS, either directly or through a particle filter to provide a background measurement. During the
78 experiments, 20–30 mins of LCM particle sampling was alternated with 3–5 mins through the filter. The
79 sample flow also passed through a multi-channel extruded carbon denuder (length 5cm, outer diameter
80 6mm) housed in a stainless steel tube which removed most trace gas-phase species with high efficiency
81 (e.g., >99.6% for pinonic acid).³ The aerosol particles collide with the electrospray droplets generated at
82 the end of a commercially available electrospray capillary (length 50 cm; inner diameter 50 μm ; outer
83 diameter 360 μm ; New Objective; #TT360-50-50-N-5) at a flow rate of 1 $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$. The soluble
84 components of the particle were extracted, ionized via a Coulombic explosion of the charged droplets,
85 and detected by a Tofwerk APi-TOFMS (resolution ~ 5500 at m/z 329). The sample flow remained
86 unheated until after the extraction process, thus minimizing the volatilization and thermal decomposition
87 of the labile particle-phase components. The extracted droplets then entered the APi-TOFMS through a
88 capillary tube (length 70 mm; inner diameter 0.5mm; outer diameter 1.6 mm) heated to 523 K to ensure
89 that these droplets evaporated during the transit through the capillary tube. It should be noted that, given
90 the short residence time in this capillary (~ 1 ms), the effective temperature experienced by the analyzer
91 was much lower than 523 K and no thermal decomposition was observed.⁴ The electrospray working
92 solution was a $\text{CH}_3\text{CN-H}_2\text{O}$ mixture (80:20 by volume) with 200 ppm of NaI as a charge carrier. The
93 potential difference between the ESI probe and APi-TOFMS was set to +2.5 kV. As a result, the mass
94 spectra were recorded in positive ion mode (i.e., Na^+ adducts). A series of $[(\text{NaI})_x(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_y(\text{H}_2\text{O})_z]\text{Na}^+$
95 clusters ($x=0-3$, $y=0-2$, $z=0-2$) which ranged from m/z 23 to 491 were utilized for m/z calibration.⁵ In
96 Figure 1, these $[(\text{NaI})_x(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_y(\text{H}_2\text{O})_z]\text{Na}^+$ clusters are removed because the difference of two high
97 intensity signals would remain large relative to most ions in the mass spectra.

98 As shown in Figure 1A, for the EPPB molecule and its oxidation products, the abundances of
99 $[\text{M}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})]\text{Na}^+$ clusters are 35–60% of the parent ion ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}^+]$). For the EFPT molecule and its
100 oxidation products, the abundance ratios of $[\text{M}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})]\text{Na}^+$ to $[\text{M}+\text{Na}^+]$ clusters are in the range of 25–
101 48% (Figure 1B). A previous study has shown that the abundance of $[\text{M}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})]\text{Na}^+$ is on the order of
102 10% of $[\text{M}+\text{Na}^+]$ ($\text{M} = \alpha$ -pinene SOA components).³ The higher abundance of $[\text{M}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})]\text{Na}^+$ clusters
103 observed here (relative to the previous study) is attributed to the higher CH_3CN content used in the current
104 electrospray working solution (80% by volume; previously 50% by volume). Regardless, the current and

105 previous results³ suggest that organic molecules can form both $[M+Na^+]$ and $[M(CH_3CN)]Na^+$ clusters
106 during the EESI-TOFMS measurements, with a higher abundance for the former cluster.

107 **S1.4 OH exposure measurement**

108 The OH exposure (molecules cm^{-3} s), which is the product of OH concentration (molecules cm^{-3}) and
109 residence time (s) in the reactor, was determined by measuring the loss of CO as a function of O₃
110 concentration in offline calibrations:

$$111 \quad \text{OH exposure} = -\frac{1}{k_{CO}} \ln \frac{[CO]_t}{[CO]_0}$$

112 where k_{CO} is the second-order rate constant of CO at 298 K (1.54×10^{-13} cm^3 molecules⁻¹ s⁻¹),⁶ $[CO]_t$ is
113 the CO concentration measured by a CO monitor (LGR, model 23r) in the presence of O₃, $[CO]_0$ (1.5
114 ppm) is the measured CO concentration in the absence of O₃. The measured OH exposures ranged from
115 4.7×10^{10} to 1.6×10^{12} molecules cm^{-3} s.

116 **S2. Comparison of the EESI-TOFMS signal intensities of the oxidation products of LCMs at** 117 **different OH exposures**

118 As shown in Figure S4A, the EESI-TOFMS signal intensities of most oxidation products (80% of the
119 total products) of EPPB increased with an increase of OH exposure from 2.6×10^{11} to 6.1×10^{11} molecules
120 cm^{-3} s. It is interesting to note that the relative signal enhancements for early-generation products (first
121 and second-generation products) with increased OH exposure were generally more prominent than those
122 of later-generation products (third and fourth-generation products). For example, the signal intensities of
123 products E₁–E₃ (first and second-generation products) increased by up to 116% with increased OH
124 exposure, whereas products E₄–E₅ (third and fourth-generation products) had a relatively lower signal
125 enhancement (22–50%) as shown in the inset graph A2 in Figure S4A. A higher signal enhancement for
126 early-generation products can be expected as only a portion of these products can be converted to various
127 later-generation products during OH oxidation. This is consistent with a previous study on particulate
128 succinic acid (C₄H₆O₄) which similarly demonstrated that the relative signal enhancement for early-
129 generation photooxidation product malic acid (C₄H₆O₅) with increased OH exposure is more prominent
130 than later-generation products such as tartaric acid (C₄H₆O₆) and 2-hydroxy-3-oxosuccinic acid
131 (C₄H₄O₆).⁷ The observations outlined here further confirms the validity of currently proposed oxidation
132 mechanism for EPPB.

133 We also note that the signal intensities of products E₁₄–E₁₆, and E₂₉ exhibited an opposite trend, i.e., their
134 signal intensities decreased with increased OH exposure, as shown in the inset graph A1 in Figure S4A.
135 Given that all of these four compounds have at least one hydroperoxide functional group (OOH; see
136 Figure 2A), the observed signal intensity reduction here are likely related to the peroxide chemistry. It's
137 well-known that OH exposure has complex impacts (formation vs. decomposition) on the peroxide
138 chemistry.⁸⁻¹⁰ With increased OH exposure, more EPPB molecules would be consumed, producing more

139 oxidation products, including peroxides. On the other hand, peroxides are known to be very reactive,¹¹⁻
140 ¹³ and serve as key reaction intermediates during OH oxidation of EPPB (Figure 2A), which can be
141 converted to other non-peroxide products such as carbonyls, alcohols, and carboxyl acids with continued
142 OH oxidation. Thus, if the peroxide decomposition process dominated over the formation pathway, we
143 would see a decreased peroxide content, as was the case for products E₁₄–E₁₆, and E₂₉. However, in the
144 case of other formed peroxides (e.g., products E₁ and E₆), their signal intensities were observed to
145 increase with increased OH exposure, suggesting that the peroxide formation pathway dominated over
146 the decomposition process for these compounds. Therefore, for the peroxide products, the interplay
147 between these two opposite effects (formation vs. decomposition) depends on the chemical reactivities,
148 the reaction pathways, and OH exposures.

149 Similarly, in the case of EFPT, the signal intensities of most formed products (80% of the total products)
150 increased with increased OH exposure (Figure S4B), with a generally higher relative signal enhancement
151 for early-generation products relative to later-generation products (see the inset figure in Figure S4B).
152 The signal intensity of product F₁ (a peroxide) decreased with increased OH exposure. Overall, the
153 experimental results here reflect a complex peroxide evolution during photooxidation of LCMs, and
154 further study is warranted to gain insights into the peroxide chemistry.

155 **S3. HR-TOF-AMS measurements**

156 **S3.1 Assessing the impact of fragmentation of oxidation products on the selected tracer ions of** 157 **LCMs**

158 As mentioned in the main text, the molecular-ion peaks at m/z 306 and m/z 318 were selected as tracer
159 ions for EPPB and EFPT, respectively. In theory, during heterogeneous OH oxidation, the fragments of
160 some oxidation products (molecular-ions greater than a selected tracer ion) may lead to an interference
161 in the signal of a tracer ion. However, this interference is likely to be negligible for the two LCMs
162 investigated here, as discussed below. As shown in Table S2 and S3, all of the oxidation products have
163 at least one oxygenated functional group (OOH, OH, C=O, and COOH). Based on the known
164 fragmentation pathways of such compounds (ROOH, ROH, RCHO, and RCOOH),¹⁴ the most prominent
165 fragment should be [M–OOH]⁺, [M–OH]⁺ or [M–CH₂OH]⁺, [M–CO]⁺, and [M–CO₂]⁺, respectively.
166 However, none of these fragments have the same m/z ions with the selected tracer ions. Further, as shown
167 in the differential HR-TOF-AMS spectra between the oxidized and unreacted LCMs (Figure S5), no
168 significant fragments were observed for the m/z ions greater than the molecular-ions of the parent LCMs.
169 Together, these results clearly suggest that the oxidation products and their subsequent smaller m/z
170 fragments have negligible impacts on the selected tracer ions.

171 **S3.2 Chemical degradation of LCMs**

172 The chemical degradation of particulate LCMs can be observed from the HR-TOF-AMS measurements
173 during a given experiment. The differential aerosol mass spectra between the oxidized and unreacted
174 LCMs (oxidized–unreacted) are shown in Figure S5.

175 When particulate EPPB was exposed to OH radicals, a decrease in the signals at m/z channels 306, 291,
176 221, 208, 193, 178, 165, 81, 75, 55, and 41, was observed (Figure S5A). These mass peaks correspond
177 to $C_{23}H_{30}^+$, $C_{22}H_{27}^+$, $C_{17}H_{17}^+$, $C_{16}H_{16}^+$, $C_{15}H_{13}^+$, $C_{14}H_{10}^+$, $C_{13}H_9^+$, $C_6H_9^+$, $C_6H_3^+$, $C_4H_7^+$, and $C_3H_5^+$
178 respectively, while m/z 306 represents the molecular ion of EPPB. The likely chemical structures for
179 these fragments are given in Figure S6A. The decrease of above mass peaks upon OH exposure indicated
180 that the degradation of EPPB occurred. Conversely, fragments at m/z 322, 147, 73, and 44 increased due
181 to the presence of oxidation products and their associated fragmentation, i.e., $C_{23}H_{30}O^+$ (m/z 322),
182 $C_6H_{11}O_4^+$ (m/z 147), $C_4H_9O^+$ (m/z 73), and CO_2^+ (m/z 44). The fragment at m/z 322 may be the molecular
183 ion of product E₁₇ in Figure 2A, and is indicative of OH-addition to the phenyl ring during heterogeneous
184 OH oxidation EPPB, consistent with the chemical mechanism of OH oxidation of benzene¹⁵ and with the
185 molecular products observed with the EESI-TOFMS.

186 In the case of EFPT, a decrease of mass peaks at m/z 318, 303, 289, 274, 183, and 137 was observed with
187 OH exposure (Figure S5B). These mass peaks correspond to $C_{23}H_{23}F^+$, $C_{22}H_{20}F^+$, $C_{21}H_{18}F^+$, $C_{20}H_{15}F^+$,
188 $C_{13}H_8F^+$, and $C_9H_{10}F^+$ respectively, while m/z 318 represents the molecular ion of EFPT. The likely
189 chemical structures for these fragments are given in Figure S6B. Concurrently, oxidation of EFPT
190 resulted in the appearance of several oxygenated fragments at m/z 147, 73, and 44, corresponding to
191 $C_6H_{11}O_4^+$, $C_4H_9O^+$, and CO_2^+ , respectively.

192 Together, the HR-TOF-AMS measurement results presented here suggest that the HR-TOF-AMS can
193 provide only limited information for the oxidation products of LCMs, which can be mitigated through
194 the use of the EESI-TOFMS.

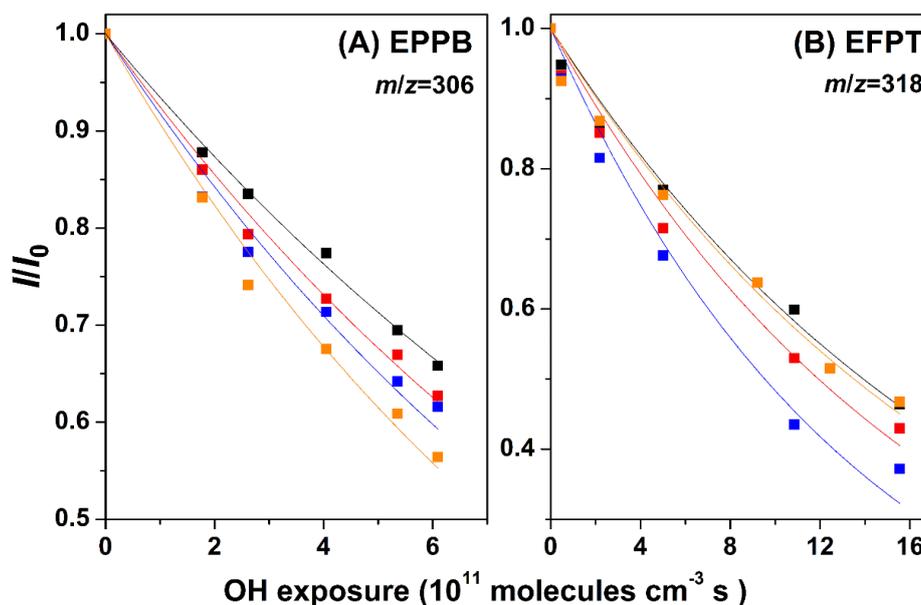
195 **S4. Other aspects of photooxidation mechanism of LCMs**

196 As mentioned in the main text, OH radicals can attack various carbon atoms of the alkyl, phenyl, and
197 cyclohexyl groups of LCMs. The probability of the three different reaction pathways are likely different.
198 It is well known that different organic molecules have different reactivities towards OH, depending upon
199 their chemical structures which will be reflected in their associated kinetics.¹⁶ The measured rate
200 constants of ethane, propane, benzene, fluorobenzene, and cyclohexane with OH are 2.48×10^{-13} ,
201 1.09×10^{-12} , 1.22×10^{-12} , 8.70×10^{-13} , and 6.97×10^{-12} molecule⁻¹ cm³ s⁻¹, respectively.^{16,17} Given the above
202 kinetics, the relative importance of OH reaction sites in EPPB may follow the sequence: cyclohexyl >
203 phenyl > propyl > ethyl group; whereas for EFPT the likely sequence is: phenyl > propyl > fluorophenyl
204 > ethyl group. Consequently, this may be manifested in the relative importance of various oxidation
205 products presented in Figure 2A and Figure S3.

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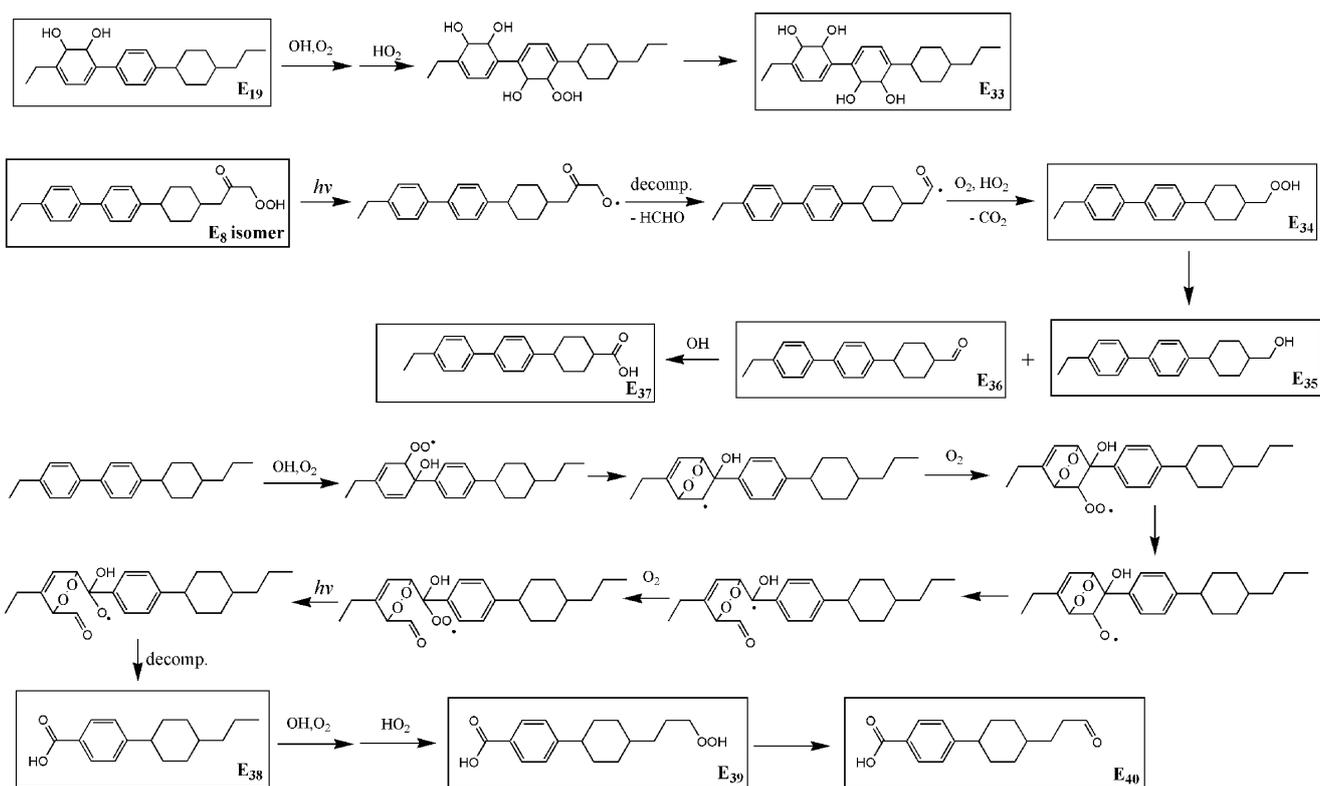
207 **S5. Assessing the number of LCMs with long-range atmospheric transport potential**

208 A previous study suggested that while the AOPWIN model cannot provide reliable kinetic data for
209 compounds beyond its application domain, it may provide a reliable relative trend. We note that this is
210 also true for the currently investigated LCMs. For example, as shown in Table 1, the AOPWIN predicted
211 rate constant for EPPB is ~2 times higher than that of EFPT and a similar trend also holds for the
212 measured heterogeneous rate constants (heterogeneous k_{EPPB} is ~1.5 times higher than k_{EFPT}). This
213 suggests that if compound A and compound B have similar structures and A has a higher AOPWIN
214 predicted rate constant than B, then A will likely have a higher heterogeneous rate constant than B.
215 Following this logic, if a LCM has a similar or lower AOPWIN predicted rate constant compared to
216 EPPB, it likely has a similar or longer atmospheric persistence compared to EPPB. Among the 362
217 currently produced LCMs,² ~190 LCMs have a similar or lower AOPWIN predicted rate constant
218 compared to EPPB. As a result, these 190 LCMs may have the potential to undergo long-range
219 atmospheric transport. More research is needed to investigate the atmospheric transformations of these
220 LCMs.



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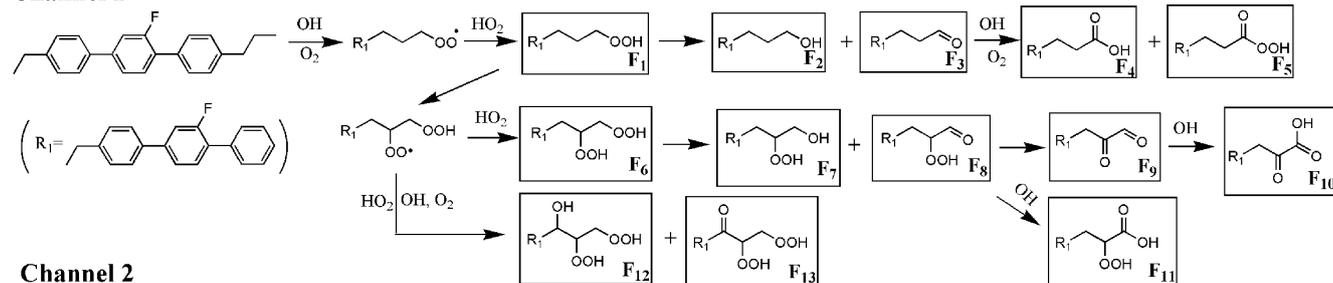
222 **Figure S1.** Signal intensity fractions for molecular ions of (A) EPPB and (B) EFPT coated on $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$
223 as a function of OH exposure at 298 K and 35% RH (measured using a HR-TOF-AMS). The color series
224 indicate independent experiments.



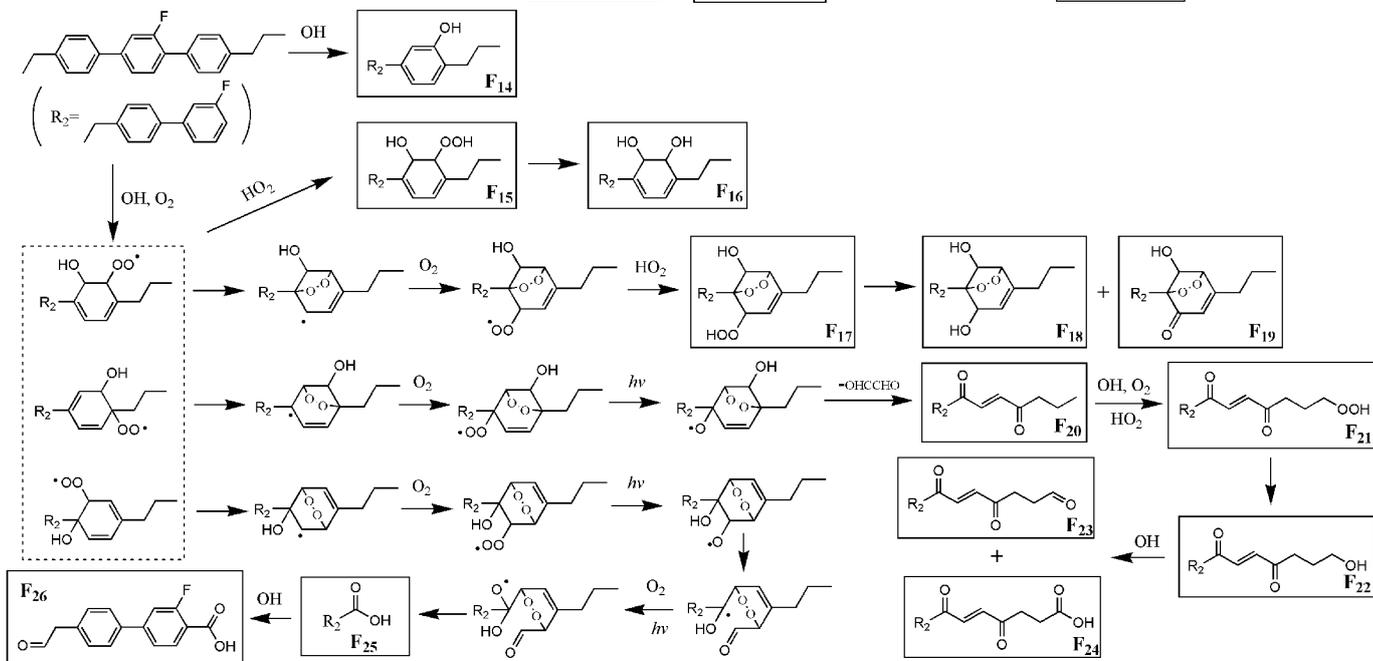
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226 **Figure S2.** Proposed mechanism for the formation of products E₃₃–E₄₀ during heterogeneous OH
 227 oxidation of particulate EPPB. The particulate products specifically measured by the EESI-TOFMS are
 228 indicated by the black boxes.

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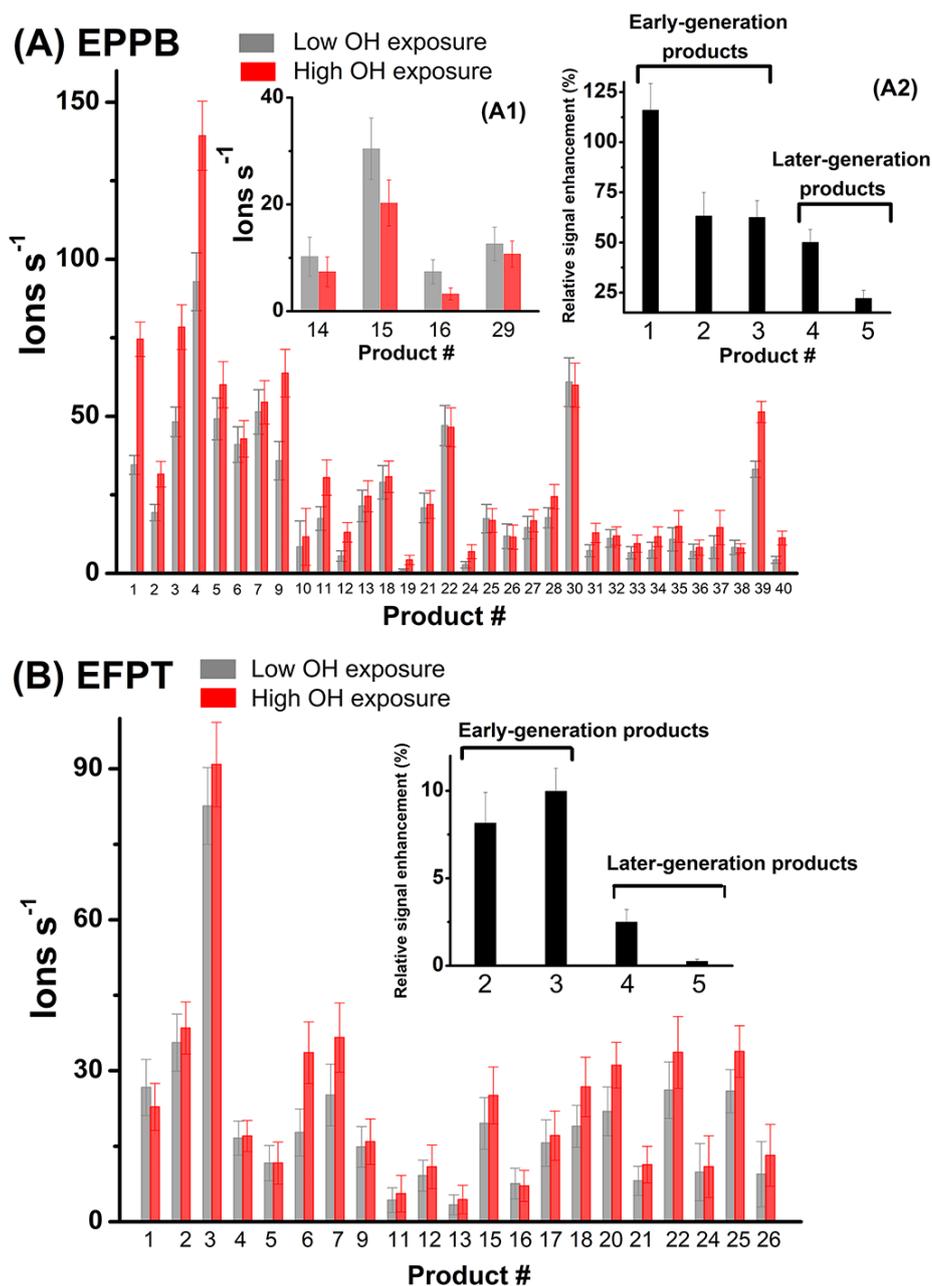


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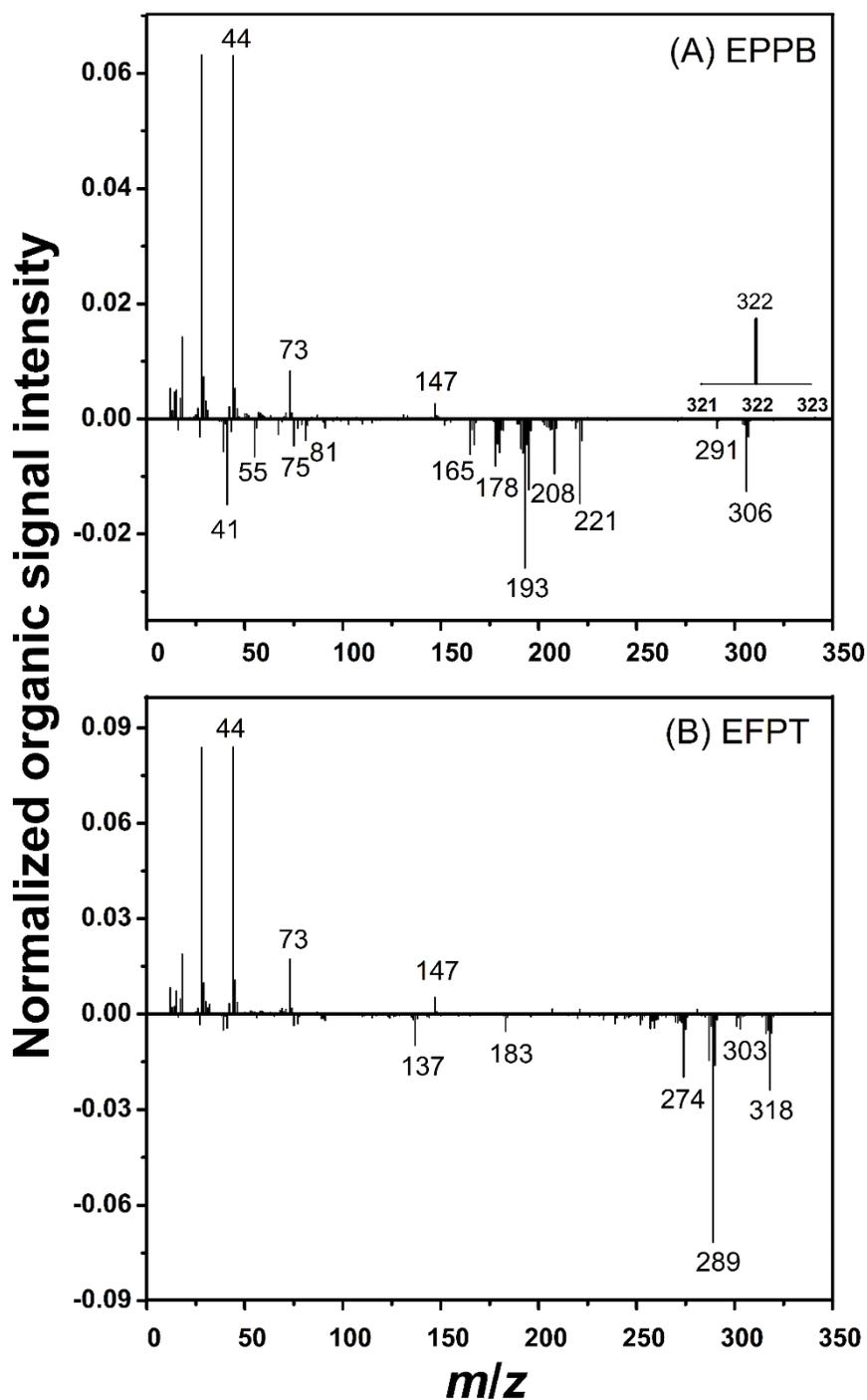
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230 **Figure S3.** Proposed mechanism for the heterogeneous OH oxidation of particulate EFPT. The
 231 particulate products specifically measured by the EESI-TOFMS are indicated by the solid black boxes.



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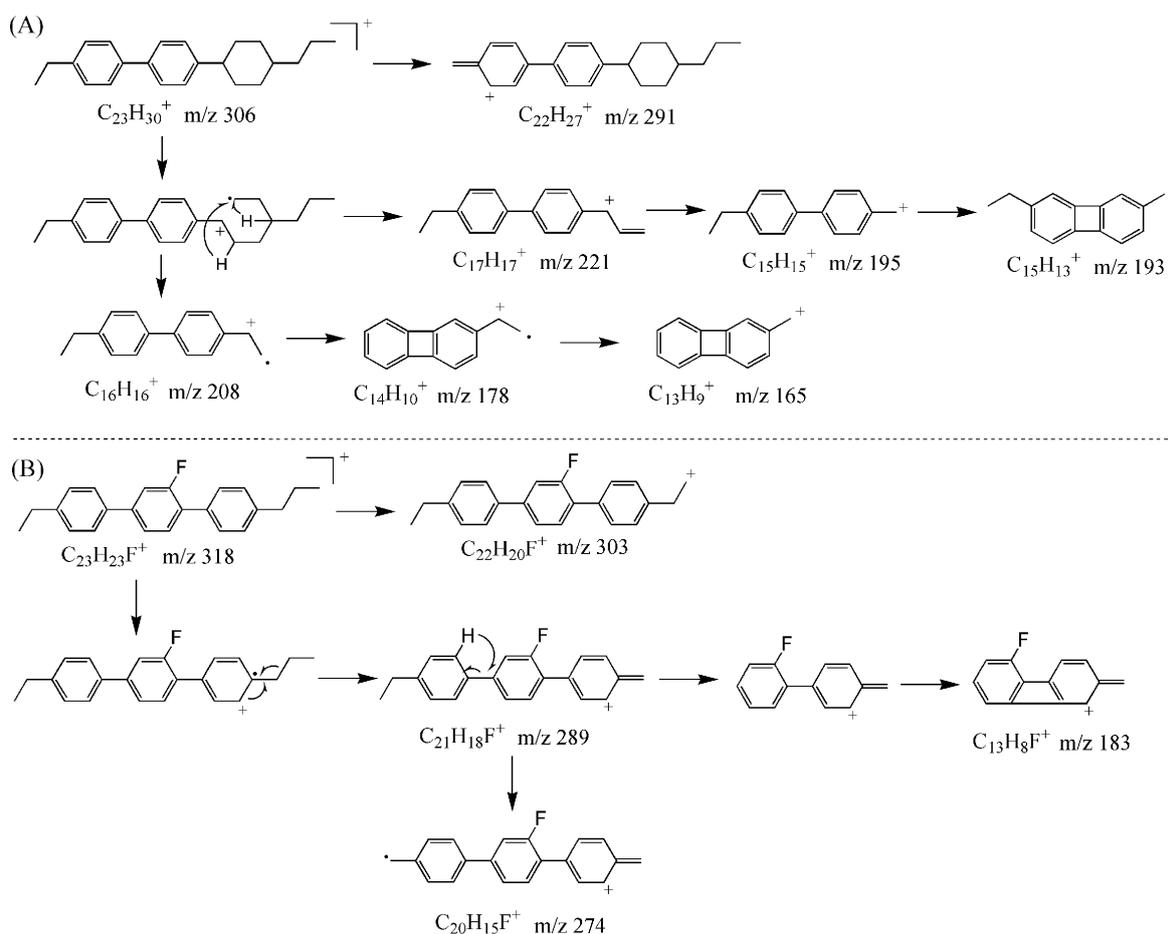
233 **Figure S4.** (A) EESI-TOFMS signal intensities of the oxidation products of EPPB at low (2.6×10^{11}
 234 molecules cm^{-3} s) and high OH exposures (6.1×10^{11} molecules cm^{-3} s). The inset graph A1 shows the
 235 signal intensities of products E₁₄–E₁₆, and E₂₉. The inset graph A2 shows the relative signal enhancement
 236 (%) for products E₁–E₅. The relative signal enhancement (%) = (the signal intensity of a given product
 237 at high OH exposure/ the signal intensity at low OH exposure – 1) \times 100%. (B) EESI-TOFMS signal
 238 intensities of the oxidation products of EFPT at low (1.1×10^{12} molecules cm^{-3} s) and high OH exposures
 239 (1.6×10^{12} molecules cm^{-3} s). The inset graph in part B shows the relative signal enhancement (%) for
 240 products F₂–F₅. All compound numbers refer to product molecules as labelled in Table S2 and S3.



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242 **Figure S5.** The differential aerosol spectra for LCMs (oxidized-unreacted) as measured by the HR-TOF-
 243 AMS: (A) EPPB at an OH exposure of 6.1×10^{11} molecules cm^{-3} s; (B) EFPT at an OH exposure of
 244 1.6×10^{12} molecules cm^{-3} s. Positive and negative values indicate the mass fragments that are enhanced
 245 and reduced for LCMs upon OH exposure, respectively. The inset graph in part A shows the
 246 corresponding magnified area.

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249 **Figure S6.** Possible chemical structures for (A) EPPB and (B) EFPT fragments measured by the HR-
 250 TOF-AMS.²

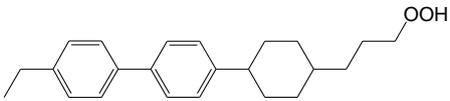
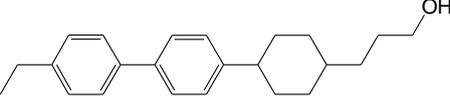
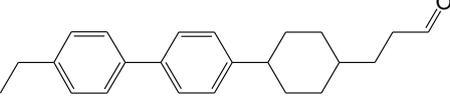
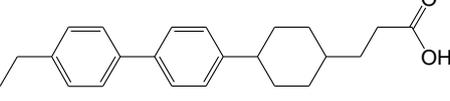
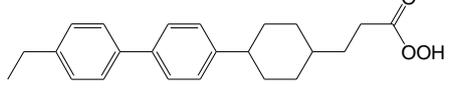
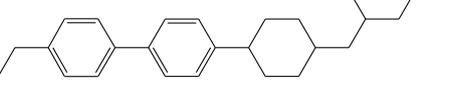
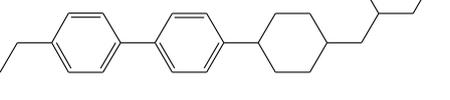
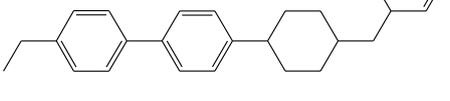
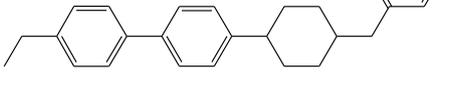
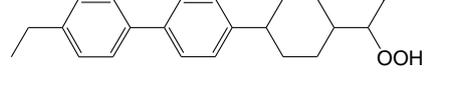
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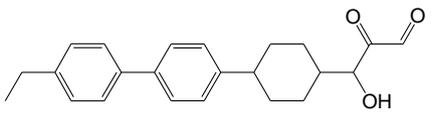
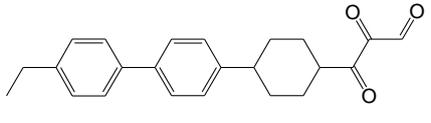
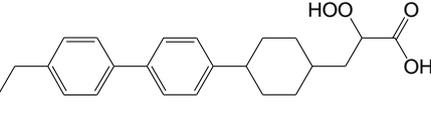
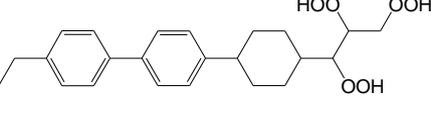
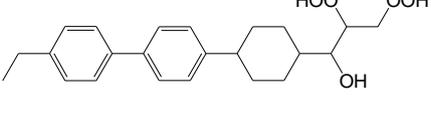
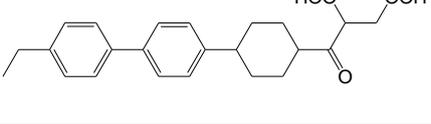
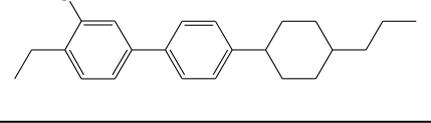
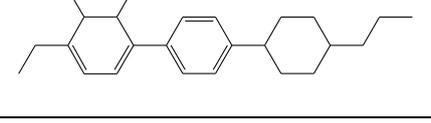
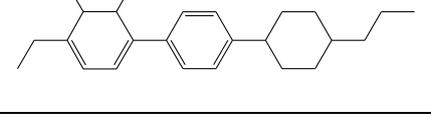
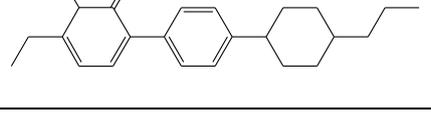
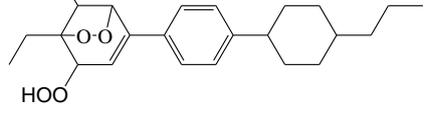
Table S1. Physicochemical properties of EPPB and EFPT.²

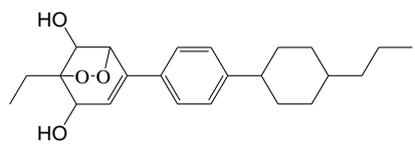
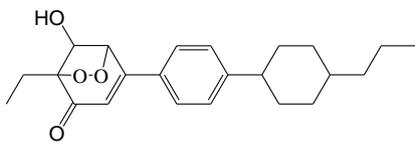
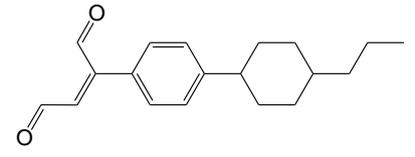
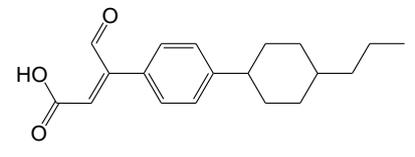
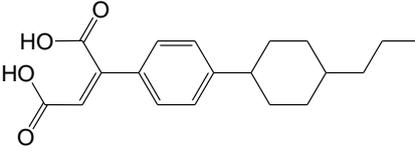
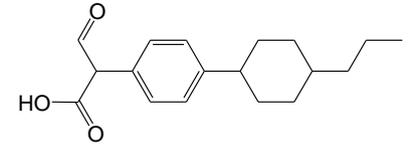
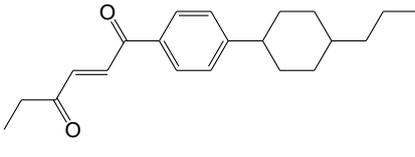
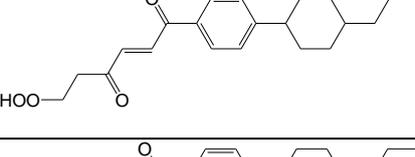
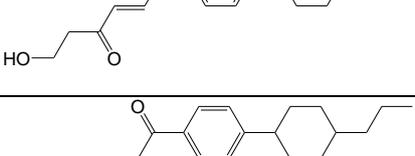
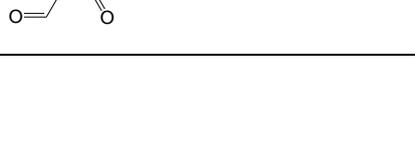
Chemical name	Abbreviation	Chemical structure	Molecular weight (g mol ⁻¹)	Estimated vapor pressure (×10 ⁻⁵ Pa)	BCF ^a
1-ethyl-4-(4-(4-propylcyclohexyl)phenyl)benzene	EPPB		306.23	3.24	1374
4''-ethyl-2'-fluoro-4-propyl-1,1':4',1''-terphenyl	EFPT		318.18	0.48	3105

^a BCF: bioaccumulation potential; BCF>1000 indicates that after entering into the environment, these two LCMs have potential for bioaccumulation.

252 **Table S2.** Identified particulate products from EESI-TOFMS in the heterogeneous OH oxidation of EPPB
 253 experiments.^a

Product ID	Chemical formula	Molecular weight	M+Na	Proposed chemical structure
E ₁	C ₂₃ H ₃₀ O ₂	338.22	361.21	
E ₂	C ₂₃ H ₃₀ O	322.23	345.22	
E ₃	C ₂₃ H ₂₈ O	320.21	343.20	
E ₄	C ₂₃ H ₂₈ O ₂	336.21	359.20	
E ₅	C ₂₃ H ₂₈ O ₃	352.20	375.19	
E ₆	C ₂₃ H ₃₀ O ₄	370.21	393.20	
E ₇	C ₂₃ H ₃₀ O ₃	354.22	377.21	
E ₈	C ₂₃ H ₂₈ O ₃	352.20	375.19	
E ₉	C ₂₃ H ₂₆ O ₂	334.19	357.18	
E ₁₀	C ₂₃ H ₂₆ O ₄	366.18	389.17	

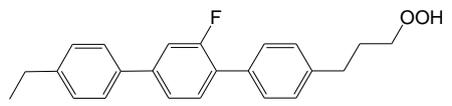
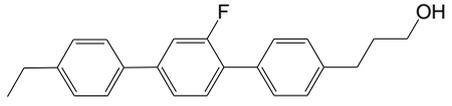
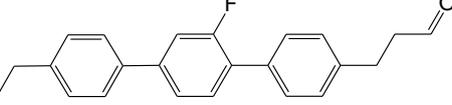
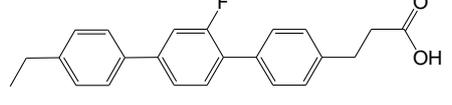
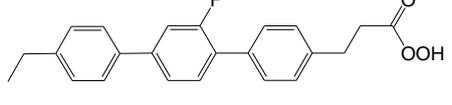
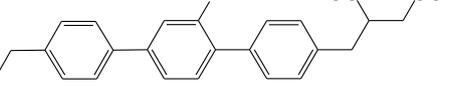
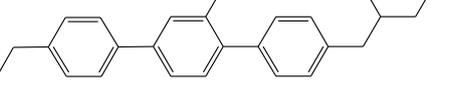
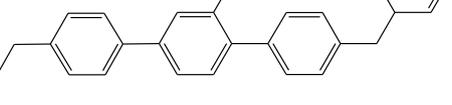
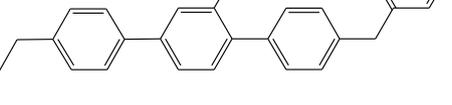
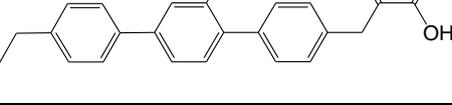
E ₁₁	C ₂₃ H ₂₆ O ₃	350.19	373.18	
E ₁₂	C ₂₃ H ₂₄ O ₃	348.17	371.16	
E ₁₃	C ₂₃ H ₂₈ O ₄	368.20	391.19	
E ₁₄	C ₂₃ H ₃₀ O ₆	402.20	425.19	
E ₁₅	C ₂₃ H ₃₀ O ₅	386.21	409.20	
E ₁₆	C ₂₃ H ₂₈ O ₅	384.19	407.18	
E ₁₇	C ₂₃ H ₃₀ O	322.23	345.22	
E ₁₈	C ₂₃ H ₃₂ O ₃	356.23	379.22	
E ₁₉	C ₂₃ H ₃₂ O ₂	340.24	363.23	
E ₂₀	C ₂₃ H ₃₀ O ₂	338.22	361.21	
E ₂₁	C ₂₃ H ₃₂ O ₅	388.22	411.21	

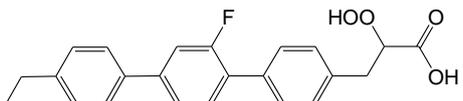
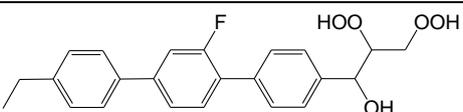
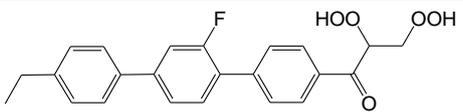
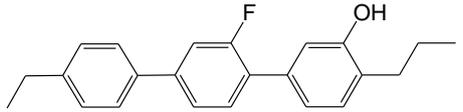
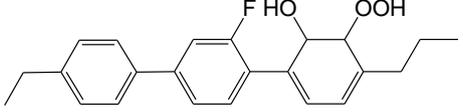
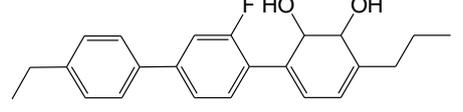
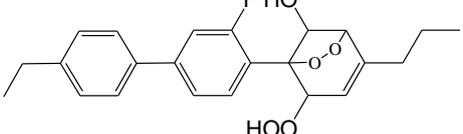
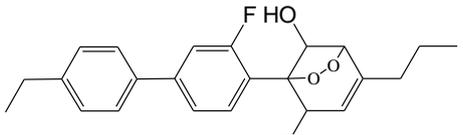
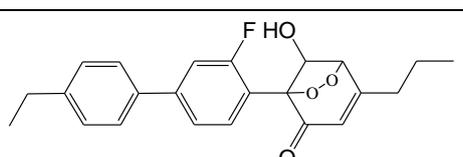
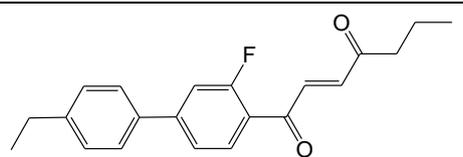
E22	$C_{23}H_{32}O_4$	372.23	395.22	
E23	$C_{23}H_{30}O_4$	370.21	393.20	
E24	$C_{19}H_{24}O_2$	284.18	307.17	
E25	$C_{19}H_{24}O_3$	300.17	323.16	
E26	$C_{19}H_{24}O_4$	316.17	339.16	
E27	$C_{18}H_{24}O_3$	288.17	311.16	
E28	$C_{21}H_{28}O_2$	312.21	335.20	
E29	$C_{21}H_{28}O_4$	344.20	367.19	
E30	$C_{21}H_{28}O_3$	328.20	351.19	
E31	$C_{21}H_{26}O_3$	326.19	349.18	

E ₃₂	C ₂₁ H ₂₆ O ₄	342.18	365.17	
E ₃₃	C ₂₃ H ₃₄ O ₄	374.25	397.24	
E ₃₄	C ₂₁ H ₂₆ O ₂	310.19	333.18	
E ₃₅	C ₂₁ H ₂₆ O	294.20	317.19	
E ₃₆	C ₂₁ H ₂₄ O	292.18	315.17	
E ₃₇	C ₂₁ H ₂₄ O ₂	308.18	331.17	
E ₃₈	C ₁₆ H ₂₂ O ₂	246.16	269.15	
E ₃₉	C ₁₆ H ₂₂ O ₄	278.15	301.14	
E ₄₀	C ₁₆ H ₂₀ O ₃	260.14	283.13	

^a Note products E₁ and E₂₀ (*m/z* 361.21), E₂ and E₁₇ (*m/z* 345.22), E₅ and E₈ (*m/z* 375.19), and E₆ and E₂₃ (*m/z* 393.20), have the same molecular formula, and EESI-TOFMS is unable to distinguish such isomers from each other.

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255**Table S3.** Identified particulate products from EESI-TOFMS in the heterogeneous OH oxidation of EFPT experiments.^a

Product ID	Chemical formula	Molecular weight	M+Na	Proposed chemical structure
F ₁	C ₂₃ H ₂₃ FO ₂	350.17	373.16	
F ₂	C ₂₃ H ₂₃ FO	334.17	357.16	
F ₃	C ₂₃ H ₂₁ FO	332.16	355.15	
F ₄	C ₂₃ H ₂₁ FO ₂	348.15	371.14	
F ₅	C ₂₃ H ₂₁ FO ₃	364.15	387.14	
F ₆	C ₂₃ H ₂₃ FO ₄	382.16	405.15	
F ₇	C ₂₃ H ₂₃ FO ₃	366.16	389.15	
F ₈	C ₂₃ H ₂₁ FO ₃	364.15	387.14	
F ₉	C ₂₃ H ₁₉ FO ₂	346.14	369.13	
F ₁₀	C ₂₃ H ₁₉ FO ₃	362.13	385.12	

F ₁₁	C ₂₃ H ₂₁ FO ₄	380.14	403.13	
F ₁₂	C ₂₃ H ₂₃ FO ₅	398.15	421.14	
F ₁₃	C ₂₃ H ₂₁ FO ₅	396.14	419.13	
F ₁₄	C ₂₃ H ₂₃ FO	334.17	357.16	
F ₁₅	C ₂₃ H ₂₅ FO ₃	368.18	391.17	
F ₁₆	C ₂₃ H ₂₅ FO ₂	352.18	375.17	
F ₁₇	C ₂₃ H ₂₅ FO ₅	400.17	423.16	
F ₁₈	C ₂₃ H ₂₅ FO ₄	384.17	407.16	
F ₁₉	C ₂₃ H ₂₃ FO ₄	382.16	405.15	
F ₂₀	C ₂₁ H ₂₁ FO ₂	324.15	347.14	

F ₂₁	C ₂₁ H ₂₁ FO ₄	356.14	379.13	
F ₂₂	C ₂₁ H ₂₁ FO ₃	340.15	363.14	
F ₂₃	C ₂₁ H ₁₉ FO ₃	338.13	361.12	
F ₂₄	C ₂₁ H ₁₉ FO ₄	354.13	377.12	
F ₂₅	C ₁₅ H ₁₃ FO ₂	244.09	267.08	
F ₂₆	C ₁₅ H ₁₁ FO ₃	258.07	281.06	

256 ^a Note products F₂ and F₁₄ (*m/z* 357.16), F₅ and F₈ (*m/z* 387.14), and F₆ and F₁₉ (*m/z* 405.15), have the
257 same molecular formula, and EESI-TOFMS is unable to distinguish such isomers from each other.

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