Supporting Information

Computational Investigation of the Formation of Peroxide (ROOR) Accretion Products in the OH- and NO₃ – Initiated Oxidation of α-pinene

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Section S1. Examples of unwanted reactions occurring in the configurational sampling at the XTB level.

Figure S1. Figure of different unwanted reactions that happened during XTB optimizations. Color coding: brown=C, white=H, red=O.



Section S2. SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for all (RO…OR') clusters (global minimum and one representative local minima conformer). See Section S4 for structures and relative energies of local minima.

Table S1: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*S*-alkoxy,*R*-hydroxy)₂ cluster (global minima).

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	2.9	26.4	$1.2 imes 10^{10}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	98.51	3146.3	2.0×10^{5}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	101.41	5150.0	$2.3 imes 10^{0}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	1.42	8376.0	5.0×10^{-12}
		Total rate	$1.2 imes 10^{10}$

Table S2: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*S*-alkoxy,*R*-hydroxy)₂ cluster (local minima).

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.2	25.9	5.7×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	104.23	3147.0	2.2×10^{5}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	105.71	5149.6	2.6×10^{0}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	0.45	8377.6	4.9×10^{-13}
		Total rate	5.7×10^{7}

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.17	10.8	4.1×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	104.06	2378.0	1.7×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	103.98	3788.4	5.6×10^{3}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	1.03	6168.7	7.4× 10 ⁻⁷
		Total rate	5.7×10^{7}

Table S3: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*R*-alkoxy,*S*-hydroxy)₂ cluster (global minima).

Table S4: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*R*-alkoxy,*S*-hydroxy)₂ cluster (local minima).

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.03	15.3	$1.3 imes 10^{6}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	102.5	3489.3	3.0×10^{4}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	104.96	3500.4	3.0×10^{4}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	0.77	6982.0	4.0×10^{-9}
		Total rate	1.4×10^{6}

Table S5: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*S*-alkoxy, *S*-hydroxy)₂ (global minima)

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	2.5	21.4	9.0×10^{9}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	88.85	1784.0	3.7×10^{8}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	98.36	2237.5	3.4×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	1.83	3950.7	$7.0 imes 10^{-1}$
		Total rate	9.4×10^{9}

Table S6: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*S*-alkoxy,*S*-hydroxy)₂ (local minima)

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.3	20.9	1.3×10^{8}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	104.29	1786.8	$5.0 imes 10^{8}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	105.64	2238.8	4.0×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	3.03	3955.2	1.9×10^{0}
		Total rate	6.7×10^{8}

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	3.06	15.0	$1.5 imes 10^{10}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	67.86	1860.0	1.4×10^{8}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	24.7	2707.2	1.5×10^{5}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	69.54	4622.5	2.2×10^{1}
		Total rate	$1.5 imes 10^{10}$

Table S7: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*R*-alkoxy,*R*-hydroxy)₂ cluster (global minima)

Table S8: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*R*-alkoxy,*R*-hydroxy)₂ cluster (local minima)

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	$k_{ISC} (s^{-1})$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.44	14.0	2.9×10^{8}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	105.42	1857.8	3.4×10^{8}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	104.7	2719.7	2.5×10^{6}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	2.84	4590.0	4.4×10^{-2}
		Total rate	6.3×10^{8}

Table S9: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*R*-alkoxy,*S*-nitroxy)₂ cluster (global minima).

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.0	163.8	0
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	105.7	2800.4	1.1×10^{6}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	105.4	3000.5	$5.0 imes 10^{5}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	0.6	6350.0	3.4×10^{-9}
		Total rate	$1.0 imes 10^{6}$

Table S10: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*R*-alkoxy,*S*-nitroxy)₂ cluster (local minima).

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	3.81	78.4	$1.6 imes 10^{10}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	69.47	2165.6	2.6×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	133.92	2411.1	2.4×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	3.47	4587.4	$6.7 imes 10^{-02}$
		Total rate	$1.6 imes 10^{10}$

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	3.84	78.0	$1.6 imes 10^{10}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	70.27	2161.1	$2.6 imes 10^{6}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	133.49	2405.6	3.0×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	3.49	4575.0	3.7×10^{-2}
		Total rate	$1.6 imes 10^{10}$

Table S11: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*R*-alkoxy,*R*-nitroxy)₂ cluster (global minima).

Table S12: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*R*-alkoxy,*R*-nitroxy)₂ cluster (local minima).

Transition	SOC	Energy Gap	$k_{\rm ISC} (s^{-1})$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.09	13.8	1.2×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	105.38	2730.3	2.4×10^{6}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	105.83	2864.1	5.6×10^{5}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	0.58	5576.3	1.1×10^{-6}
		Total rate	1.5×10^{7}

Table S13 The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (S-alkoxy, S-nitroxy)₂ cluster (global minima).

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.17	-2072.0	4.6×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	85.15	1000.4	3.1×10^{10}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	123.18	1200.3	$2.0 imes10^{10}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	1.23	4000.5	0.2×10^{-3}
		Total rate	$5.7 imes 10^{10}$

Table S14: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*S*-alkoxy,*S*-nitroxy)₂ cluster (local minima).

Transition	SOC	Energy Gap	$k_{\rm ISC}$ (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.09	2.0	1.3×10^{7}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	19.44	3149.0	7.5×10^{3}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	148.56	3173.7	3.8×10^{5}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	0.34	6420.5	1.9×10^{-8}
		Total rate	1.3×10^{7}

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0.4	2.0	2.1×10^{8}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	81.0	3050.6	2.3×10^{5}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	73.1	3832.6	2.2×10^{3}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	1.1	6886.4	1.3×10^{-8}
		Total rate	2.1×10^{8}

Table S15: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*S*-alkoxy,*R*-nitroxy)₂ cluster (global minima).

Table S16: The SOCME (cm⁻¹), Energy Gap (cm⁻¹), and k_{ISC} (s⁻¹) computed for α -pinene, (*S*-alkoxy,*R*-nitroxy)₂ cluster (local minima).

Transition	SOCME	Energy Gap	k_{ISC} (s ⁻¹)
$T_1 \rightarrow S_1$	0	5.1	$0.0 imes 10^{0}$
$T_1 \rightarrow S_2$	105.47	3254.1	1.2×10^{5}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_3$	105.2	4016.5	1.6×10^{3}
$T_1 \rightarrow S_4$	0.31	7268.6	1.3×10^{-10}
		Total rate	1.2×10^{5}

Section S3. Results of optimization of the (RO…OR') complexes on the singlet surface $^{1}(RO…OR')$.

Figure S2. Results of optimization of the (RO \cdots OR') complexes on the singlet surface ¹(RO \cdots OR'). Color coding: gray=C, white=H, red=O, blue=N.



(S-alkoxy, R-hydroxy)₂



(*R*-alkoxy,*S*-hydroxy)₂



(S-alkoxy,S-hydroxy)₂



 $(R-alkoxy, R-hydroxy)_2$



 $(R-alkoxy, R-nitroxy)_2$



(R-alkoxy,S-nitroxy)2



(S-alkoxy, S-nitroxy)₂

(S-alkoxy, R-nitroxy)2

Section S4. Optimized structures of the representative local minima conformer used for calculating the ISC rates in section S2 (even-numbered tables).

Figure S3. Optimized structures and relative energies of the representative local minima conformers used to calculate the ISC rate in section S2. Color coding: gray=C, white=H, red=O, blue=N.



^a ΔE = Difference in electronic energies relative to the global minima conformer in kcal/mol, at the $\omega B97X-D/6-31++G^{**}$ level.