



**Theoretical investigation study of Bromine radical reaction with ozone in stratospheric layer**

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**ABSTRACT**

*Theoretical study has been carried out to investigate the mechanism of reaction for bromine radical with ozone that's performed through PM3 of semi-empirical method. Geometry optimization and single point calculation through PM3-configuration interaction microstate have been done for all components of the suggested reaction and their transition states, in addition to vibrational analysis. The reaction of bromine radical with ozone is exothermic and spontaneously in the view of thermodynamic aspect. The energy barrier for this reaction is 3.9 kCal mol<sup>-1</sup> through TS1, while is 3.76 kCal mol<sup>-1</sup> through TS4. Thermodynamic functions of activation  $\Delta H^* < 0$ ,  $\Delta G^* < 0$  and  $\Delta S^* < 0$ , that is indicated the proceeding of transition states are exothermic and spontaneous in gas phase at 298.15 K. The rate constant through TS1 equal to  $k_{TS1} = 3.09 \times 10^9$  and  $A_{TS1} = 1.413 \times 10^{12} \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ dm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  at STP. While through TS4 equal to  $k_{TS4} = 2.73 \times 10^{10}$  and  $A_{TS4} = 1.209 \times 10^{13} \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ dm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  at STP.*

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