Increasing Isoprene Epoxydiol-to-Inorganic Sulfate Aerosol (IEPOX:Sulfinorg) Ratio Results in Extensive Conversion of Inorganic Sulfate to Organosulfur Forms: Implications for Aerosol Physicochemical Properties

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55 **Materials and Methods**

56 **Collection of PM**_{2.5} **Collection from SE-U.S.** PM_{2.5} samples were collected onto pre-baked 8×10 in 57 Tissuquartz™ Filters (Pall Life Sciences) using three high-volume PM2.5 samplers (Tisch Environmental) 58 operated at 1 m³ min⁻¹ during the 2013 Southern Oxidant and Aerosol Study (SOAS) campaign from 1 June 59 to 15 July 2013 at the CTR, AL ground site. One high-volume sampler collected PM_{2.5} for 23 h (08:00 to 60 07:00 the next day, local time), while the two remaining high-volume samplers followed two cycles. When 61 the sampling schedules were daytime $(08:00 - 19:00, \text{local time})$ and nighttime $(20:00 - 07:00, \text{local time})$, 62 the PM_{2.5} collected were defined as regular day or night samples, respectively. When atmospheric chemical 63 model simulations predicted a high level of BVOCs, sulfate and $NO_x¹$, $PM_{2.5}$ were collected more frequently 64 (collection times were 08:00–11:00, 12:00–15:00, 16:00–19:00, and 20:00–07:00, local time) in order to 65 examine the potential enhancing effect of anthropogenic pollutants on BSOA formation, and are defined as 66 "intensive" samples. Field blanks were also collected weekly by placing pre-baked quartz filters into the 3 67 non-operating high-volume PM_{2.5} samplers for 15 min. Filters and field blanks were stored under dark 68 conditions at -20° C until analysis.

 Collection of PM2.5 Samples from Central Amazonia (Manaus downtown). PM2.5 samples were collected daily from 18 July through 1 August 2016 on filters similar to those used during the SOAS campaign using 71 a high-volume $PM_{2.5}$ sampler operated at 1.13 m³ min⁻¹. The sampling site was located at 6 m above the ground at the School of Technology of the State University of Amazonas in Manaus, Brazil. The high-73 volume $PM_{2.5}$ sampler was flow-calibrated and the filter holder was cleaned with the filter extraction solvent each day before sampling to ensure no chemical carryover between samples. All filters were collected for 75 24 h. Immediately after collection, the 15 daily $PM_{2.5}$ filter samples were stored at -18 °C under dark conditions until chemical analysis. One field blank was collected during the 15-day campaign by placing a 77 pre-baked quartz filter into the high-volume $PM_{2.5}$ sampler for 15 min, and then removing and storing it under the same conditions as the field samples. Co-located measurements of total organic and inorganic aerosol mass were not available for Manaus and the contribution of the OS could not be calculated.

 Collection of PM1 Samples from downwind Manaus. Filters were collected during the Green Ocean 81 Amazon (GoAmazon2014/5) field campaign² during intensive operating period 2 (IOP2) at the T3 site \sim 70 km downwind of Manaus in August-October of 2014. The prevailing wind direction is from north-east, transporting air masses over the Amazon forest to be mixed with the outflow from Manaus (to the east) 84 before reaching the sampling site. Transport time from city to T3 site was typically 4-5 h.³

 Aerosol samples (PM1) were collected on quartz fiber filters (101.6 mm diameter, QM-A Quartz, Whatman) using a custom-built sequential filter sampler (Aerosol Dynamics, Inc.). Air was sampled 4 m above ground level, passed through tubing kept at temperatures below the dew point for trapping excess water, and then through a greaseless cyclone (with a 1 μm aerodynamic diameter cut-point), before collection of particles. Filters were pre-treated by baking at 550°C for 12 hours. While samples were collected with a 4-hour time resolution, 24-h average data are presented in this study. Field blanks were collected each week by inserting pre-baked filters (same filters used for actual sample collection) into the filter holders for at least a minute, and then removing following the same procedures as it is with field 93 samples. Particle and blank filters were kept frozen $(-18^{\circ}C)$ and transported on ice.

Chemical Characterization

Filter Extraction and Chemical Analysis of OS. Chemical characterization of the PM_{2.5} samples was performed by UPLC/ESI-HR-Q-TOFMS (6520 Series, Agilent) in the negative ion mode, under operating 97 conditions described in detail elsewhere ^{4,5}. High-volume quartz filter 37 mm punches were extracted with 22 mL of high-purity methanol (LC-MS CHROMASOLV-grade, Sigma-Aldrich) by sonication for 45 min, filtered through 0.2-*μ*m PTFE syringe filters (Pall Life Science, Acrodisc) to remove insoluble particles or 100 quartz filter fibers and blown dry under a gentle N_2 (g) stream at ambient temperature. The dried extracts 101 were reconstituted with 150 *μ*L of a 50:50 (v/v) solvent mixture of methanol (LC-MS CHROMASOLV- grade, Sigma-Aldrich) and high-purity water (Milli-Q, 18.2 M). Five *μ*L aliquots were injected onto the UPLC column (Waters ACQUITY UPLC HSS T3 column, 2.1 × 100 mm, 1.8 *μ*m particle size) and eluted at a flow rate of 0.3 mL min-1 with a solvent mixture of methanol containing 0.1% acetic acid (LC-MS

 CHROMASOLV-grade, Sigma-Aldrich) and water containing 0.1% acetic acid (LC-MS CHROMASOLV-grade, Sigma-Aldrich).

 Field, lab and blank filters from CTR, were spiked with known amounts of propyl and octyl sulfate (electronic grade, City Chemical LLC) to estimate the extraction efficiency and potential losses throughout 109 the analytical protocol. Neither of these two OS have been identified in atmospheric $PM_{2.5}$, and thus can be 110 used as internal standards. Recovery was determined to be 89 ± 14 (1 std. dev.) %. To estimate potential losses of MSA, control experiments were performed by analyzing five prebaked filters spiked with a known amount of MSA. Extraction efficiency was above 70% and was used to correct the quantification of samples. To optimize the quantification of identified BVOC-derived OS, a mixture of IEPOX-OS 114 $(C_5H_{11}O_7S^{-})^1$, 2-methylglyceric acid sulfate $(C_4H_7O_7S^{-})^6$ and 2-oxopropyl sulfate $(C_3H_5O_5S^{-})^7$ were 115 synthesized in-house as authentic standards. Propyl sulfate $(C_3H_7O_4S^-$; electronic grade, City Chemical 116 LLC) and 3-pinanol-2-hydrogen sulfate $(C_9H_{13}O_6S^-)$; synthesized standard) served as surrogate standards to quantify the remaining OS. Surrogate standards were selected to match as precisely as possible the retention times of the compounds of interest, as summarized in Tables S2-S4. Due to the potential influence of marine 119 air masses at the CTR site, methanesulfonic acid formed from the oxidation of dimethyl sulfide ⁸ was also 120 quantified in all PM_{2.5} samples from CTR using an authentic standard (MSA, Sigma Aldrich, \geq 99.5%) to help with mass closure of total organosulfur compounds.

 PILS vials were analyzed by UPLC/ESI-HR-Q-TOFMS operated in negative mode following the analytical procedure described for the ambient filter extracts. PILS vials were analyzed for the data presented in the main text (Figure 1) in order to provide time-resolved information for the conversion of SO₄²⁻ to organosulfur forms.

 PILS Operation and Dilution Correction. The aerosols are sampled through an impactor with a 2.5-*μ*m 127 cut-off at a flow rate of \sim 13 L min⁻¹ with a carbon strip denuder (Sunset Labs) upstream of the impactor to remove organic vapor. Cool sample air flow was mixed adiabatically with a steam heated at 98.5-100℃ in the PILS condensation chamber, which allows aerosol particles to grow sufficiently for collection on a 130 quartz impactor plate. Impacted droplets were transferred by a wash-flow at $0.50 - 0.55$ mL min⁻¹ into a debubbler and the resulting bubble-free sample liquid was delivered through a tubing with an inline filter into 2 mL glass vials in a rotating-carousel auto-collector (BMI). Air sampling rate and wash-flow rate were checked and recorded before and after each experiment. Milli-Q water used in the wash-flow was spiked 134 with 25 μ M of lithium bromide (LiBr) as an internal standard to correct for dilution caused by condensation of water vapor during droplet collection inside the PILS. Ideally the concentrations of lithium bromide in the samples should be identical to that in the wash-flow supply bottle without dilution. When taking into account the addition of water due to condensations, the dilution factor can be calculated on a per sample basis using bromide ion concentration measured by IC as such:

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dilution factor =
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\frac{[Br^-]_{wash}}{[Br^-]_i}
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 In this equation, subscript "i" denotes bromide concentration measured in each sample and subscript "wash" denotes the bromide concentration measured for the liquid in the wash-flow supply bottle. Then the correction was made for all SOA tracers in a sample by multiplying the measured tracer concentrations by 143 the dilution factor derived above.

Uncertainty Estimates for OS. The use of surrogate standards can lead to significant biases in the OS quantification. The ESI can be highly impacted by the chemical composition of the mobile phase; for example, when increasing the organic content of the eluent, the ionization efficiency increases significantly . As presented Table S5, calibration factors were determined for several authentic OS standards to evaluate the impact of the chemical structure as well as the mobile phase composition on the ionization efficiency of the compounds of interest. During the first two minutes of the gradient elution, the mobile phase is composed 100% water, and therefore effect of solvent composition on ionization efficiency is not expected within this time period. We note that most of the isoprene-derived OS eluted within the first two minutes and sensitivities towards standards eluting within this period are independent of structure. This suggests that uncertainties in quantification using the surrogate standards for OS eluting in this time range are most likely small (< 10%). For the later eluting compounds (e.g. monoterpene-derived OS) the composition of the mobile phase changes and could impact the ionization efficiency. Propyl sulfate and 3-pinanol-2- hydrogen sulfate were used as surrogate standards and selected to correspond as precisely as possible to the retention times of the OS identified in the SOA collected during SOAS. Although the sensitivities of propyl and 3-pinanol-2-hydrogen sulfates are of the same order, biases can be expected and might lead to an inaccurate estimation of the concentration of the OS eluting later in the run.

 We assume a small uncertainty in the calibration curve itself (5%). Uncertainties from the extraction based on the recovery of propyl and octyl sulfates are 15%. In addition to extraction efficiencies and calibration uncertainties, uncertainty related to the volume of air sampled could further contribute to overall uncertainty. In the different campaigns, high-volume samplers were calibrated and the air volumes adjusted based on the meteorological conditions. Therefore, this uncertainty was estimated as 5%. Overall uncertainty in quantification is estimated to be ±17%.

 Characterization of Total Water-Soluble Organosulfur at CTR. Total water-soluble organosulfur compound mass present in SOA collected in the SE-U.S. was determined from the difference between total water-soluble sulfur measured by isotope ratio inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (IR-ICP-MS) and sulfate-sulfur measured by ion chromatography (IC) in the same sample aliquot. Sample extractions, sample spiking and standard preparation were performed gravimetrically, using a 5-place readout laboratory balance (Mettler Toledo Model MS205DU). High-volume quartz filter punches (47 mm, or 37 mm diameter) were extracted in Thermo-Fisher Nalgene wide mouth lab quality HDPE bottles (1 oz. 02-893- 173 5A) with 25 g distilled deionized water (DIW with 18.2 ± 0.2 M Ω cm resistivity). Each vessel was capped by a polypropylene cap and sonicated without heat for 1 h. After sonication, the sample was allowed to 175 cool, shaken for uniformity, and allowed to equilibrate at 8° C overnight.

 Each extract was analyzed in triplicate for sulfate via IC using a dual-channel Dionex ICS-3000 ion chromatography system and Dionex AS-1 Autosampler. The IC was calibrated with NIST SRM 3181 178 (sulfate in water) at concentrations between 10 ngS g^{-1} and 2,000 ngS g^{-1} . A gradient profile (5mM-30mM) of KOH was used as eluent for sulfate-S separation (MSA for cations in other channel) with 4 micro-bore IonPac analytical column AS18 (CS16 for cations). Each channel operated a self-regenerating SRS-ULTRA suppressor in external DIW regeneration mode, a CD-1 conductivity detector, and a DP-1/SP-1 gradient 182 pump with built-in degassing. The applied micro-bore system allowed an analyte flow rate of 1 mL min⁻¹. DIW was supplied directly to the eluent generator module. The instrument detection limit (IDL) for the sulfate anion expressed in ambient concentrations from field blanks amounts to less than 2 ngS m-3. Average 185 precision determined from triplicate analysis of the samples collected during the study is $0.46 \pm 0.40\%$. Secondary source standards were used to routinely assess accuracy in terms of recovery, which averages $99.6 \pm 0.4\%$.

188 Each extract was also analyzed in triplicate for total-S using a Perkin Elmer ELAN DRC-II IR-189 ICP-MS operated in Dynamic Reaction Cell (DRC) mode with oxygen reaction gas (UHP 99.999% O₂, 190 Airgas, 4808 Nelson Rd. Morrisville, NC 27560). The IR-ICP-MS was calibrated with NIST SRM 3181 at 191 concentrations between 100 ngS g^{-1} and 2000 ngS g^{-1} . Standards and sample aliquots were spiked with 192 Na₂³³SO₄ (Sigma-Aldrich cat. #719374) to a final concentration of approximately 1000 ng³³S g⁻¹ and then 193 analyzed for ³²SO (48amu), ³³SO (49amu) and ³⁴SO (50amu). Total water-soluble S was calculated as 194 follows:

195 Total-S [ngS g⁻¹] =
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(^{32}SO/^{33}SO)_{sa} * [^{33}SO]_{sp} / IR_{48/49}
$$

196 with 32 SO and 33 SO = background-corrected counts at 48 amu and 49 amu, respectively; sa = sample; sp = 197 spike concentration $[\text{ngS g}^{-1}]$; $IR_{48/49}$ = ion intensity ratio for masses 48 and 49. The instrument detection 198 limit of the IR-ICP-MS can be estimated conservatively at 2 ngS g^{-1} or 50 ngS⁻¹ per sample, translating to 199 less than 2 ngS m^3 atmospheric $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ concentration of total water-soluble S. Average precision for triplicate 200 analysis of samples was $0.35 \pm 0.20\%$. Recoveries of a secondary sulfate standard (10,000 µgS mL⁻¹ \pm 201 0.5%, 10M54-5 from HP Standards, Charleston, SC) were $100.3 \pm 0.4\%$, and recoveries of camphorsulfonic 202 acid (CSA), methanesulfonic acid (MSA) and methionine were $99.9 \pm 0.3\%$, $98.9 \pm 0.3\%$ and $98.2 \pm 0.2\%$, 203 respectively (purity of CSA and MSA was 99% from ACROS Organics via Fisher-Scientific, purity of methionine was >98.5% from Fisher BioReagents). All recovery checks were run at a 10% frequency or every 10 samples.

 Based on the above results (in particular the 0.16% uncertainty in the NIST SRM 3181, the linearity of the IC and IR-ICP-MS calibrations, and the instruments' recoveries of the secondary standards), the 208 approximate 95% (σ =2) uncertainty for the difference between total-S and sulfate-S is \pm 1.6 %. In other words, water-soluble organosulfur compounds are greater than 0 at the 95% confidence level when total-S via IR-ICP-MS is at least 1.6% greater than sulfate-S via IC.

Uncertainty Estimates for Water Soluble Sulfate-S by IC and Water Soluble Total-S by ICP-MS.

- *Sulfate-S via Ion Chromatography*
- The mass of sulfate-S in a sample extract is determined as shown in eqn. 1.

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$$
Sulfate-S(ng) = Sulfate-S(ng-g^{-1}) * Extract Mass(g)
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 (1)

The uncertainty (U) in Sulfate-S can then be estimated as shown in eqn. 2

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216 \t\t\t USulfate-S = ((\muSulfate-S)2 + (\muExtract Mass)2)1/2 (2)
$$

Which can be expanded to

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$$
U_{\text{Sulfate-S}}(\%) = 100\%*((\mu_{\text{Primary}})^{2} + (\mu_{\text{Secondary}})^{2} + (\mu_{\text{Rep}})^{2} + (\mu_{\text{Dilution}})^{2} + (\mu_{\text{Extract Mass}})^{2})^{1/2}
$$
(3)

- Where,
- 220 μ_{Primary} = relative uncertainty in the primary sulfate standard (NIST SRM 3181) = 0.0016, from NIST certificate.
- $\mu_{\text{Secondary}}$ = relative recovery of the secondary sulfate standard = 0.0039, measured.
- 223 μ_{Rep} = relative standard deviation of sample replicates = 0.0046, measured.

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\mu_{\text{Dilution}} = \text{relative standard deviation of primary standard diluent mass} = 0.0003, \text{ based on balance}
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- uncertainty of +/- 10 mg for 30 g standard.
- 226 $\mu_{\text{Extract Mass}} =$ relative standard deviation of extract mass = 0.0003, based on balance uncertainty of
- 227 $+/- 10$ mg for 30 g sample extract.
- 228 Estimated $U_{\text{Sulfate-S}} = 0.60\%$

230 The mass of Total-S in a sample extract is determined as shown in eqn. 4.

231 Total-S(ng) = Total-S(ng-g-1) * Extract Mass(g) (4)

232 =
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(^{32}SO/{}^{33}SO)_{sa} * [^{33}S]_{sp} / IR_{48/49} * Extract Mass (5)
$$

233 Where,

234 ($(32\text{SO}/33\text{SO})_{\text{sa}}$ = ratio of background-corrected counts at 48 amu and 49 amu

- 235 $[33S]_{\text{sp}}$ = concentration of 33S in the spiked sample
- 236 IR_{48/49} = ion ratio for 48 amu and 49 amu (counts per ng-g⁻¹/ counts per ng-g⁻¹)

237 IR_{48/49} is determined by spiking approximately 1000 ngS-g⁻¹ of K_2 ³³SO₄ into solutions of NIST SRM 3181 238 containing 0, 100, 300, 500, 750, 1000 and 2000 ngS-g⁻¹ of total-S. Note that IR_{48/49} decreases by about 239 1% over the observed calibration range, due to the presence of naturally-occurring ³³S in SRM 3181. To 240 partially compensate for decreasing IR, we bin IRs over successive pairs of calibration standards and use 241 the one that brackets an individual sample concentration to calculate Total-S. For example, if the initial 242 estimate of Total-S is between 100 and 300 ng-g⁻¹, we use the average of IRs obtained at calibration levels 243 100 and 300 ngS-g⁻¹.

244 The overall procedure assumes that the isotopic composition of SRM 3181 is at least roughly equal 245 to that of naturally-occurring sulfur (and, by inference, ambient samples). To confirm this, we asked a third-246 party laboratory to measure del³⁴S on a subsample of SRM 3181. Results showed del³⁴S of +17 parts per 247 thousand, relative to Canyon Diablo Troilite. The del³³S should be similar to this, based on mass dependent 248 fractionation (0.5 times del³⁴S) plus mass independent fractionation (0.6 to 1.0 times del³⁴S). The impact 249 of these enrichments is negligible, so we did not adjust SRM 3181 concentrations.

250 Based on the above, $U_{\text{Total-S}}$ can be estimated as shown in eqn. 6

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U_{\text{Total-S}} = 100\%*((\mu_{CP\text{-}3181})^2 + (\mu_{IP\text{-}33S})^2 + (\mu_{CP33S})^2 + (\mu_{IR})^2 + (\mu_{32SO/33SO})^2 + (\mu_{\text{Secondary}})^2 +
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(\mu_{\text{Dilution}})^2 + (\mu_{\text{Spike Mass}})^2 + (\mu_{\text{Extract Mass}})^2)^{1/2}
$$
 (6)

253 Where,

 $\mu_{CP-3181}$ = chemical purity of SRM 3181 = 0.004 (manufacturer's certificate).

279 vacuum conditions (10⁻³ to 10⁻⁵ Pa). SEM particles were analyzed orthogonal to the beam on TEM grids

and at a 55-degree angle (tilted) on the silicon wafer.

 Biphasic Microfluidic Experiments with Samples Extracted from Filters. Microfluidic experiments were also conducted with SOA samples (2-MT and IEPOX-OS) extracted from filters using methanol as the solvent. It is observed (Figures S2A and S2B) that methanol itself causes a significant decrease in interfacial tension compared to pure water. Furthermore, similar to the 2-MT and IEPOX-OS samples in water, interfacial tension depression was observed with methanol as the solvent for SOA samples. Figure S2A shows the slight decrease in interfacial tension measured with 2-MT in methanol, compared to the solvent (methanol in water). At 50 mg/mL SOA, IEPOX-OS shows a larger depression in interfacial tension compared to 2-MT (Figure S2B). Finally, when AS is added, significant salting out is observed at 25 mg/mL of IEPOX-OS (Figure S2B).

 Isotherm Model for Interfacial Tensions. A surface tension model using adsorption isotherms and based on statistical mechanics was applied to the microfluidic measurements for the 2-MT (Figure S9) and IEPOX-OS compounds (Figure 4A). Traditionally, Langmuir-like isotherm models are applied to surface 293 active organics, such as two parameter Szyszkowski equation (see eq. 1 in Schweir et al.¹⁰ for an example). In the model applied here, unique features of the surface partition function are that the adsorption sites are solvent molecules (waters) and that solutes can occupy a non-integer number of sites using a multifactorial 296 skip, implicitly accounting for the size of the solute. The model expression for binary solutions is $\sigma = \sigma_w$ — kT/rS_wLn(1 + Ka_s), where *r* is the surface partition function multifactorial skip, *K* is a solute bulk energy 298 term, σ_w is the surface tension of pure water, S_w is the area of adsorption sites (the projected area of one 299 water molecule, 0.1 nm². The expression was normalized by the interfacial tension value of pure water from biphasic microfluidic tensiometry and subsequently applied to the measurements of 2-MT and IEPOX OS 301 water. The solute bulk energy term (K) follows the expected size-dependence for each compound: $K =$ 302 47.35 for 2-MT ($M_w = 136$ g mol⁻¹) and $K = 66.00$ for IEPOX-OS ($M_w = 215$ g mol⁻¹). The surface function variable (*r*) also follows the size-dependence, as *r* = 71.38 for IEPOX-OS and *r* = 27.24 for 2-MT. For the 304 salty solutions, the concentrations, or solute activities, were modified using Setschenow constant (K_sC_{salt} = 305 log(γ/γ_0), where γ is the organic activity in salty water and γ_0 is the organic activity in pure water. Thus,

 K_s shows enhancement or depletion of organic surface partitioning due to the presence of salt in solution. An important assumption is that in pure water, the organic activity coefficient is unity at concentrations less 308 than 1.0 mol/L. Incorporating the Setschenow equation into the surface tension equation results in $\sigma = \sigma_w$ — kT/rS_wLn(1 + Ka_s * 10^{K_Scsalt}). If parameters *K* and *r* are optimized from the pure water case and interfacial 310 tension is known for the same concentration of organic in both pure water and salty water, then K_s is the single parameter. Recently, Toivola et al. ¹¹ performed quantum chemistry computations of Ks for 2-MT in 0.009 and 0.09 mole fraction of AS and found Ks = 0.568 kg-mol-1 and Ks = 0.866 kg-mol-1, respectively. Our AS mole fraction is 0.03 and we find Ks = 0.299 kg-mol-1 for 2-MT.

 Flow Tube Experiments. The flow tube, CIMS, as well as aerosol and gas phase IEPOX generation have 315 been described in detail elsewhere.¹² Briefly, the flow tube consists of a 6 x 90 cm Pyrex cylinder having inner walls coated with halocarbon wax to reduce the wall loss of IEPOX gas. ABS aerosol particles were generated using a constant output atomizer (TSI Inc., Model 3076) from dilute solutions (0.1 wt %). The atomizer output was diluted and conditioned to about 38% RH by mixing with a 3 L min-1 flow of 319 humidified ultrahigh purity (UHP) N_2 before entering the flow tube. The IEPOX vapor was generated by a flow of 30 standard cubic centimeters per minute (sccm) of UHP N2 over ~200 *μ*l *trans*-*β*-IEPOX solution 321 in ethyl acetate in a glass bulb at room temperature $(\sim 23 \text{ °C})$, and was injected into the flow tube via a movable injector downstream of the aerosol inlet. A constant 2 L min-1 flow of conditioned aerosol was drawn through the flow tube by the CIMS and a scanning mobility particle sizer (SMPS) connected to the flow tube exit, which provided real-time measurements of the gas-phase IEPOX concentration and aerosol surface area (Sa), respectively. The IEPOX injector was moved in 10 cm increments from the bottom (10 cm above the flow exit) to the top (70 cm above the flow exit) of the flow tube to vary the reaction time between IEPOX and aerosol particles. The decay of gas phase IEPOX signal versus injector position (reaction time) in the presence and absence of aerosol particles was measured to derive *kobs* and *kwall*, respectively, and the pseudo-first-order reaction rate constant *khet* for IEPOX uptake onto particles was 330 determined as $k_{het} = k_{obs} - k_{wall}$. The IEPOX signals measured at every three adjacent injector positions (i.e.,

331 10-30, 20-40, 30-50, 40-60, 50-70 cm), which correspond to different average reaction times, were used to 332 determine the k_{het} and then γ_{IEPOX} as a function of reaction time. γ_{IEPOX} is calculated by the following 333 equation:

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\gamma_{IEPOX} = \frac{4k_{het}}{S_{a\omega}}\tag{7}
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335 where ω is the mean molecular speed of *trans-β*-IEPOX under the experimental condition (ω_{IEPOX} =231 m 336 S^{-1}).^{13,14}

337 *Viscosity Calculation of IEPOX-derived OS and water mixtures.* The improved parameterization by 338 Derieux et al.¹⁵ was designed to predict, Tg of pure compounds containing carbon, hydrogen and oxygen 339 using the number of carbon (nC), hydrogen (nH), and oxygen (nO), as shown in eqn. 8.

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T_{g,org} = \frac{n_c^0 + \ln(n_c)}{b_c} + \ln(n_H)b_H + \ln(n_c)\ln(n_H)b_{CH} + \ln(n_o)b_O + \ln(n_c)\ln(n_o)b_{CO} \quad (8)
$$

342 where n_c^0 is the reference carbon number, b_c , b_H and b_O represent the contribution of each atom to T_g , and *b_{CH}* and b_{CO} are coefficients that reflect contributions from carbon–hydrogen and carbon–oxygen bonds, 344 respectively. The values for these parameters used in this study were derived by DeRieux et al.¹⁵ based on empirical fit and are shown in Table S6. However, the sulfur atom was not considered in the method. For a 346 conservative estimation of T_g of IEPOX-OS, the sulfur atom is assumed to have the same effect on T_g as an oxygen atom. The *Tg* of IEPOX-OS, IEPOX-OS dimer and trimer are estimated to be 298 K, 333 K, and 360 K, respectively. The glass transition temperature of the sum of uncharacterized IEPOX-derived OS is assumed to be the same as the IEPOX-OS dimers to give a more conservative estimation. Taking into account the mass fraction of each OS compound based on the chemical data shown in Figure 1B (Amazon ratio) at 120 min, the *Tg* of the IEPOX-OS mixtures is calculated using the Gordon-Taylor equation based 352 on the estimation of hygroscopicity, and the Gordon-Taylor constant among orgnaic compounds $(k_{GT}=1)$ 353 as well as the Gordon-Taylor constant between water and the organics $(k_{GT} = 12.5)$, as shown in eqn. 9. The upper hygroscospity value of 0.15 is based on the upper hygroscopicity range of organic compounds.

355 Gordon-Tayler constants between IEPOX-OS mixtures and water, and IEPOX-OS mixtures themselves are 356 assumed to be 2.5, and 1, respectively based on previous studies.^{15–18}

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T_{g,\,mix}(RH) = \frac{(1 - w_{org}(RH))T_{g,c} + \frac{1}{k_{GT}}\sum_{i=1}^{n}w_{i,org}(RH) T_{g,i,org}}{(1 - w_{org}(RH)) + \frac{1}{k_{GT}}\sum_{i=1}^{n}w_{i,org}(RH)}
$$
(9)

 where n denotes total number of organic compounds in the mixture and i denotes each organic compound; w_(i,org) is the mass fraction of organic compound i. The dependency of viscosity on RH is reflected in mass fraction terms as variable RH changes the amount of water taken up by the SOA, which can be 361 calculated using hygroscopicity (κ) ^{15,19}

362 *Thermodynamic Model of Aerosol pH***.**

 The pH of aerosol particles during the reaction processes are calcualted using a termodynamic model 364 employing two methods. The first method uses measured SO_4^2 concentration as well as the NH₄⁺ concentration at the beginning of the experiment as the input values. The IEPOX-OS concentration was not considered. The second method takes into consideration all cations and anions in the aqueous aerosol particle.

368 The acidity model considers the acid disassociation of $NH₄HSO₄$ and $H₂O$. For scenario 1, the IEPOX-OSs were not considered. For scenario 2, IEPOX-OSs, including IEPOX-OS, IEPOX-OS dimer, and IEPOX-OS trimer, were taken into consideration in the model. The acid disassociation reactions of the above compounds are described below:

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NH4 + H2O \rightleftharpoons NH3 \cdot H2O + H^+ \tag{10}
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HSO_4^- \rightleftharpoons H^+ + SO_4^{2-}
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(11)
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H_2O \rightleftharpoons H^+ + OH^-
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 (12)

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1\text{EPOX} - \text{OS} \rightleftharpoons \text{IEPOX} - \text{OS}^- + \text{H}^+ \tag{13}
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1\text{EPOX} - \text{OS}_{\text{dimer}} \rightleftharpoons \text{IEPOX} - \text{OS}_{\text{dimer}} + \text{H}^+ \tag{14}
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1\text{EPOX} - \text{OS}_{\text{trimer}} \rightleftharpoons \text{IEPOX} - \text{OS}_{\text{trimer}} + \text{H}^+ \tag{15}
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378 The acid disassociation equilibrium equations for (10)-(15) were constructed, with pK_a values for Eqs. 379 (7,8,9) were obtained from the literature. The pK_a values for Eqs. (13)-(15) were assumed to be \sim 2, with a 380 range of 0-4. The proton balance equation together with the mass balance equations for NH_4^+ , HSO_4 , H^+ , 381 SO₄², and IEPOX-OS monomer, dimer, and trimers were built to solve the H⁺ ion concentration. The gas-382 particle balance of the NH₃, NH₄⁺ was considered with a Henry's law constant of 0.0161 atm M⁻¹. A growth 383 factor of 1.3 was used to calculate the liquid water content of the particles. The activity coefficients for all 384 ions were assumed to be 1.

 Figure S1. Representative Taylor plots (single droplet) for (A) 2-MT and (B) IEPOX-OS samples (in water). The slope of the linear portion of the curves is equal to the interfacial tension. Interfacial tensions reported in this work are the median values of interfacial tension (over all droplets) for any given system. Normalized data points are shown in Figures 4A and S3.

 Figure S2. Interfacial tensions measured with microfluidics, for (A) 2-MT and (B) IEPOX-OS, with methanol as the solvent. For 2-MT, approximately 300 μL of sample was used to prepare a 50 mg/mL sample of 2-MT in water, approximately 300 μL was used to prepare a 50 mg/mL solution with AS and the remaining was used for the 100 mg/mL experiment. Similarly, two different solutions were prepared for the IEPOX-OS measurements (with and without AS) at 50 mg/mL.

 Figure S3. Comparison between aerosol sulfate measured by ICP-MS and AMS during the campaign in the SE-U.S.

405 **Figure S4.** (A) Time-series of the sum of identified OS + MSA and total organosulfur compounds (Org-S) 406 quantified by UPLC/ESI-HR-Q-TOFMS and IR-ICP-MS, respectively, in the PM_{2.5} samples collected 407 during the 2013 SOAS campaign. (B) and (C) present the concentrations of the sum of OS + MSA

 Figure S5. (A) Correlation between the sum of OS + MSA (y-axis) and Org-S (x-axis). This correlation suggests significant unidentified sources of organosulfur compounds in SOA sampled in the SE-U.S. (B) Correlation between Org-S (y-axis) and the mass of sulfate measured by the AMS in SE-US. Dashed grey lines correspond to 1:1 line. OS + MSA were quantified by UPLC/ESI-HR-Q-TOFMS, and Org-S were quantified by IR-ICP-MS.

417 **Figure S6.** Comparison of modeled aerosol pH when considering the acidity of IEPOX-OS vs. not 418 considering IEPOX-OS. The x axis is the ratio of the total organic sulfur compounds vs. total inorganic 419 sulfur compounds in the aerosol. The light blue bars represent the modelling results of the chamber data 420 without considering IEPOX-OS. The purple bars represent is the modeling results after taking IEPOX-OS 421 into consideration. The center and the right groups show the modelled pH based on aerosol composition 422 measured at the end of the experiment from the SE-U.S. ratio and the Amazon ratio chamber experiments, 423 respectively. The error bar range is calculated based on the pKa values of IEPOX-OS to be 0-4. The dashed 424 lines are trendlines. A growth factor of 1.3 and Henry's law constant for 0.0161 atm M⁻¹ are applied in the 425 model. By varying the pK_a values of IEPOX-OS, the aerosol acidity changes up to 6 times (0.8 pH units), 426 suggesting the importance of further research on the role of these SOA constituents in governing the aerosol 427 acidity.

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429 **Figure S7.** AFM phase and amplitude images for the corresponding height images shown in Figure 3. 430 Scanning electron microscopy images on TEM grids orthogonal to the electron beam (top) and at a 55 431 degree tilt from the beam for (A) seed aerosol, (B) laboratory mimic SE-U.S. conditions and (C) laboratory 432 mimic Amazon conditions (green). SE-U.S. and Amazon are after exposure to IEPOX.

 Figure S8. The top two panels show the box plots of the hourly relative humidity during dry season (June- September) and wet season (December-March) from 2016-2018 at the Amazon basin (Manaus site). On each box, the central mark indicates the median, and the bottom and top edges of the box indicate the 25th and 75th percentiles, respectively. The whiskers extend to the most extreme data points not considered outliers, and the outliers are shown individually with red plus symbols. Boxplot assigns points as outliers 440 if they are greater than $q_3 + 1.5 \times (q_3 - q_1)$ or less than $q_1 - 1.5 \times (q_3 - q_1)$, where q_1 and q_3 are the 25th and 75th percentiles of the sample data, respectively. The black line in the bottom panel shows the measured 442 hourly isoprene concentration downwind Manaus in the Amazon basin ²⁰. For the stations, hourly RH values (calculated from measured temperature and dew point) were retrieved from NOAA's National Climatic Data Center (http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/). The green lines in the top two panels represent the mean hourly RH. The orange-shaded areas represent the periods when the average RH<70%.

Figure S9. Measured and modeled interfacial tensions for 2-methyltetrols (2-MT).

 Figure S10. Time series of IEPOX signal in aerosol particles normalized by iodide signal measured by a high-resolution time-of-flight chemical ionization mass spectrometer equipped with iodide (I-) reagent ion chemistry (I-HR-TOF-CIMS) during the reactive uptake of IEPOX chamber experiments under 452 atmospheric IEPOX: SO_4^2 relevant to (A) SE-U.S. and (B) Amazon, corresponding to experiments shown in Figures 1A & 1B, respectively. Increasing slope of IEPOX signal indicates the injection rate of IEPOX was faster than its reactive and wall losses, a decreasing slope indicates reactive uptake to the particle phase is gradually slowing down as the reaction continues.

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457 Table S1. Summary of indoor smog chamber conditions used for IEPOX uptake experiments using ammonium bisulfate (ABS) seed aerosols.

N ₀	Description	Injected IEPOX (ppb)	SO_4^2 (µg/m ³)	IEPOX/SO ₄	RH (%)
$\mathbf{1}$	$EPOX + ABS$	48	430.2	0.5	49.8
$\overline{2}$	$EPOX + ABS$	104	658.4	0.8	47.0
3	$IEPOX + ABS$	122	664.0	0.9	46.3
$\overline{4}$	$IEPOX + ABS$	172	669.6	1.3	53.2
5	$EPOX + ABS$	140	437.4	1.5	52.2
6	$EPOX + ABS$	166	179.2	4.5	48.9
7	$EPOX + ABS$	218	175.8	6.0	47.7
8	$EPOX + ABS$	240	111.1	10.5	48.9
9	$IEPOX + ABS$	174	76.4	11.1	46.4
10	$EPOX + ABS$	176	70.7	12.1	48.0
11	$EPOX + ABS$	230	65.6	17.1	50.4
12	$EPOX + ABS$	124	31.0	19.5	46.5
13	$EPOX + ABS$	174	41.1	20.7	48.8

Suggested Formula	$[M-H]$ ⁻ ion	Average concentration $(ng m-3)$	Max concentration $(ng m-3)$	Average OS/Sum OS (%)	Precursor group
$CH3O3S-a,b$	94.98	39.27	167.59	10.53	Dimethylsulfide
$CH3O4S- a,c$	110.97	3.03	20.95	0.82	
$C_2H_3O_5S^{-a,c}$	138.97	0.83	2.51	$0.26\,$	Isoprene / Anthropogenic
$C_3H_5O_5S^{-a,c}$	152.98	4.95	18.22	1.34	Isoprene / Anthropogenic
$C_3H_5O_6S^{-a,c}$	168.98	12.83	35.33	3.10	Isoprene / Anthropogenic
$C_5H_9O_5S^{-a,d}$	181.01	0.14	2.51	0.04	Isoprene
$C_4H_7O_6S^{-a,c}$	182.99	8.60	23.51	2.30	Isoprene
$C_5H_9O_6S^{-a,e}$	197.01	4.79	16.87	0.74	Isoprene
$C_4H_7O_7S^{-a,d}$	198.99	10.72	43.07	2.90	Isoprene
$C_5H_{11}O_6S^{-a,e}$	199.02	2.78	9.04	0.73	Isoprene
$C_8H_9O_4S^{-a,e}$	201.02	1.39	4.17	0.37	Isoprene
$C_5H_7O_7S^{-a,e}$	210.99	7.31	27.45	1.96	Isoprene
$C_5H_9O_7S^{-a,e}$	213.00	7.84	23.99	2.10	Isoprene
$C_5H_{11}O_7S^{-a,e}$	215.02	217.14	755.3	58.39	Isoprene
$C_5H_7O_8S^{-a,e}$	226.98	4.25	14.12	1.14	Isoprene
$C_6H_{11}O_7S^{-a,e}$	227.02	0.43	2.94	0.11	Isoprene
$C_5H_9O_8S^{-a,e}$	229.00	6.91	21.33	1.82	Isoprene
$C_5H_{11}O_8S^{-a,e}$	231.01	0.38	3.72	0.12	Isoprene
$C_7H_{11}O_7S^{-f,g}$	239.02	4.20	14.22	1.29	Limonene
$C_{10}H_{17}O_5S^{-f,h}$	249.08	0.93	2.56	0.26	Monoterpenes

460 **Table S2.** Average and maximum concentrations of the OS identified during the 2013 SOAS campaign.

462 *^a OS are eluted within the first 2 minutes; ^b quantified using methylsulfonic acid;^c OS quantified* 463 *using 2-oxopropyl sulfate; ^d OS quantified using 2-methylglyceric acid sulfates;^e OS quantified* 464 *using 2-methyltetrol sulfates; ^f OS are eluted during the elution gradient; ^g OS quantified using* 465 *propyl sulfate; ^h OS quantified using 3-pinanol-2-hydrogen sulfate; ⁱ OS quantified using octyl* 466 *sulfate*.

Suggested Formula	$[M-H]$ ⁻ 10 _n	Average concentration $(ng m-3)$	Max concentration $(ng m-3)$	Average OS/Sum OS(%)	Precursor group
$C_3H_5O_5S^{-a,b}$	152.98	29.9	69.6	4.8	Isoprene / Anthropogenic
$C_3H_5O_5S^{-a,b}$	154.98	25.3	47.9	4.1	Isoprene / Anthropogenic
$C_3H_5O_6S^{-a,b}$	168.98	19	45.6	1.4	Isoprene / Anthropogenic
$C_4H_7O_6S^{-a,b}$	182.99	29.5	71.4	3.1	Isoprene
$C_5H_{11}O_6S^{-a,b}$	199.02	101.0	283.4	16.3	Isoprene
$C_5H_{11}O_7S^{-a,b}$	215.02	398.5	1450.2	64.2	Isoprene

468 **Table S3.** Average and maximum concentrations of the OS identified during the Go-Amazon 469 campaign.

470 *^a OS are eluted within the first 2 minutes; ^b OS quantified using 2-methyltetrol sulfates*.

Suggested Formula	$[M-H]$ ⁻ ion	Average concentration $(ng m-3)$	Max concentration $(ng m-3)$	Average OS/Sum OS(%)	Precursor group
$C_2H_3O_5S^{-a,c}$	138.97	19.8	25.2	1.3	Isoprene / Anthropogenic
$C_3H_5O_5S^{-a,c}$	152.98	87.4	301.1	5.8	Isoprene / Anthropogenic
$C_3H_5O_5S^{-a,c}$	154.98	87.0	122.8	5.8	Isoprene / Anthropogenic
$C_5H_7O_5S^{-f,g}$	179.0	4.0	11.9	0.3	Cyclohexene
$C_4H_7O_6S^{-a,c}$	182.99	47.1	120.7	3.1	Isoprene
$C_6H_{11}O_5S^{-f,g}$	195.03	1.5	7.0	0.1	Cyclohexene/ Pinonaldehyde
$C_5H_9O_6S^{-a,e}$	197.01	15.6	24.5	1.0	Isoprene
$C_5H_{11}O_6S^{-a,e}$	199.02	58.9	84.2	3.9	Isoprene
$C_5H_7O_7S^{-a,e}$	210.99	9.7	13.8	0.6	Isoprene
$C_5H_9O_7S^{-a,e}$	213.00	100.5	137.8	6.7	Isoprene
$C_5H_{11}O_7S^{-a,e}$	215.02	823.3	1159.7	55.0	Isoprene
$C_7H_{11}O_5S^{-f,g}$	223.02	6.5	11.2	0.4	α -pinene
$C_5H_9O_8S^{-a,e}$	229.00	20.1	27.1	1.3	Isoprene
$C_5H_{11}O_8S^{-a,e}$	231.01	7.0	9.7	0.5	Isoprene
$C_7H_{11}O_7S^{-f,g}$	237.04	6.1	8.3	0.4	α -pinene
$C_7H_{11}O_7S^{-f,g}$	239.02	14.5	19.2	1.0	Limonene
$C_{10}H_{17}O_5S^{-f,h}$	249.04	24.1	69.4	1.6	Monoterpenes
$C_{10}H_{19}O_5S^{-f,h}$	251.09	7.6	19.7	0.5	Cyclodecane
$C_8H_{13}O_7S^{-f,g}$	253.03	3.4	4.7	0.2	Isoprene

472 **Table S4.** Average and maximum concentrations of the OS identified in Manaus.

473 *^a OS are eluted within the first 2 minutes; ^b quantified using methylsulfonic acid;^c OS quantified* 474 *using 2-oxopropyl sulfate; ^d OS quantified using 2-methylglyceric acid sulfates;^e OS quantified* 475 *using 2-methyltetrol sulfates; ^f OS are eluted during the elution gradient; ^g OS quantified using* 476 *propyl sulfate; ^h OS quantified using 3-pinanol-2-hydrogen sulfate; ⁱ OS quantified using octyl* 477 *sulfate*.

Formula	Name	$[M-H]$ ⁻	Calibration factor	r^2	Retention $time(s)$ (min)
$C_4H_7O_7S^-$	2-methylglyceric acid sulfate	198.99	1.01×10^6	0.99	1.8
$C_5H_{11}O_7S^-$	2-methyltetrol sulfate	215.02	1.02×10^6	0.99	1.1/1.8
$C_2H_3O_6S^-$	Glycolic acid sulfate	154.96	1.09×10^6	0.98	1.8
$C_3H_5O_5S^-$	2-oxopropyl sulfate	152.98	1.16×10^6	0.99	1.8
$C_3H_7O_4S^-$	Propyl sulfate	139.00	3.68×10^6	0.99	3.5
$C_9H_{13}O_6S^-$	3-pinanol-2-hydrogen sulfate	249.04	3.01×10^{6}	0.90	8.6
$C_8H_{17}O_4S^-$	Octyl sulfate	209.08	1.10×10^8	0.99	11.5

479 **Table S5.** Calibration factors and retention times of the OS standards.

482 **Table S6.** The fitting parameters for the glass transition calculation at dry condition.

n_c^0		vн	$\bm{\nu}_{\bm{C}\bm{H}}$	$b_0(b_s)$	$\bm{p_{CO}}$
12.13	- 111 95 -	-41.82	21.61	118.96	-24.38

484 **Table S7.** Parameters Used for the Viscosity Calculation of IEPOX-derived OS. Values in the parathesis

485 represent the upper and lower bound values.

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