



Figure 4-3. The theoretical rate of reaction (percent per hour) of various free-radical species with  $\text{SO}_2$  is shown for a simulated sunlight-irradiated (solar zenith angle of  $40^\circ$ ) polluted atmosphere. The initial concentrations (in ppm) were as follows:  $\text{SO}_2$ , 0.05;  $\text{NO}$ , 0.15;  $\text{NO}_2$ , 0.05;  $\text{CO}$ , 10;  $\text{CH}_4$ , 1.5;  $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ , 0;  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHO}$ , 0. The relative humidity was 50 percent, and the temperature was  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .

Note: The rate constants for  $\text{HO}_2$  and  $\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2$  radical reactions with  $\text{SO}_2$  are not well established.

Source: Calvert et al. (1978).