

NIST-JANAF Thermochemical Tables for the Bromine Oxides

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The thermodynamic and spectroscopic properties of the bromine oxide species have been reviewed. Recommended NIST-JANAF Thermochemical Tables are given for six gaseous bromine oxides: BrO, OBrO, BrOO, BrOBr, BrBrO, and BrO₃. Sufficient information is not available to generate thermochemical tables for any condensed phase species. Annotated bibliographies (over 280 references) are provided for all neutral bromine oxides which have been reported in the literature. There are needs for additional experimental and theoretical data to reduce the uncertainties in the recommended values for these six species. Of all the species mentioned in the literature, many have not been isolated and characterized. In fact some do not exist. Throughout this paper, uncertainties attached to recommended values correspond to the uncertainty interval, equal to twice the standard deviation of the mean. © 1996 American Institute of Physics and American Chemical Society.

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1. Introduction

As a continuation of previous studies which dealt with the thermodynamic properties of the chlorine oxides¹ and oxygen fluorides,² this study deals with the neutral bromine oxides. A succeeding article will deal with iodine oxides. We will not discuss the astatine oxides, as there appears to be only an estimated D_0° value reported in the literature for AtO(g). Specifically, this study examines the thermodynamic properties of the neutral oxides, not the gaseous ionic and aqueous ionic species. The main purpose of this article is to

generate thermochemical tables for bromine oxide species. In general, there are scant data available for the description of the spectroscopic and thermodynamic data for any of the bromine oxides, except for BrO, OBrO, and BrOBr. Although the prime emphasis was on the diatomic and triatomic species, a thorough search of all bromine oxygen species was conducted to decide which species had sufficient data.

For the time period 1907 to 1994, there are only 280 citations in Chemical Abstract Services (CAS) dealing with all phases of the bromine oxides; of these 147 deal with BrO, 45 deal with OBrO, and 25 with BrOBr. Of the approximately 25 oxides mentioned in the literature, however, there is not conclusive evidence as to the existence of all of them.

The major interest in the numerous bromine oxides is due to the important role these compounds play in stratospheric chemistry. For this reason, the spectroscopic characterization of these species is mandatory in order to explain possible reactions thermodynamically and kinetically and to monitor the species in real time. In addition, numerous researchers are examining bonding trends within all halogen oxide species. There are no commercial uses of the bromine oxides mentioned in the literature.

The current study is aimed at providing a complete and thorough coverage of the literature for spectroscopic and thermodynamic information. Although it is not the purpose of this article to summarize and critique the chemistry of the bromine oxides, all such references are provided here. The references were obtained primarily by use of commercial abstracting services and all NIST Data Centers. (Chemical Kinetics Data Center; Chemical Thermodynamics Data Center; Ion Kinetics and Energetics Data Center; Molecular Spectra Data Center; Vibrational and Electronic Energy Levels of Small Polyatomic Transient Molecules; Crystal and Electron Diffraction Data Center.) Since the literature survey revealed so few references in total for all neutral bromine oxides, all citations are listed in Sec. 10 (References Annotated Bibliography). It should be noted that the reading of the individual articles yielded additional references, many of which are included in the attached bibliography. Not included are those articles or books (textbooks and handbooks) which are simply presenting a summary of properties, with no critical evaluation. Note that the earliest reference for any bromine oxide species was in 1928. Even though many of these citations are not relevant to this study, future investigators will not have to search the past literature, but simply concentrate on the publications since 1994.

The current version (1985) of the JANAF Thermochemical Tables³ does not include any bromine oxygen species, whereas the 1989 version of the Thermophysical Properties of Individual Substances⁴ only includes BrO(g), for which 14 references are given; the latest of these being dated 1975. This latter critical review referred to data from four spectroscopic studies, two microwave studies, three EPR studies, four dissociation energy studies, and two earlier reviews. There are sufficient new data available to warrant a revision to this tabulation. The NBS Thermodynamic Tables⁵ and its

Russian counterpart by Glushko and Medvedev⁶ listed values (C_p° , H° , S° , and $\Delta_f H^\circ$) at 298.15 K for BrO(g), but only an enthalpy of formation for BrO₂(cr). [The NBS Tables also listed values for three aqueous ions, Glushko and Medvedev listed two aqueous ions.] It should be noted that the NBS study was performed in 1964 and the Russian study in 1965, and were based on the same references.

There are many NASA-JPL publications on chemical kinetics in which enthalpy of formation tables are given. Of all the bromine oxides, only BrO(g) is listed by NASA-JPL.⁷ These data are presented without citation or reference to the original source. Most of the recommendations are based upon data in the IUPAC Evaluation (Atkinson *et al.*, 1989,⁸ 1992⁹). Some of the values are different from the current IUPAC recommendations, reflecting recent studies that have not yet been accepted and incorporated into that publication. IUPAC cites the origin of their values. All citations given by IUPAC are included in this article.

Lewis¹⁰ in 1932 reviewed the kinetics of reactions that proceeded with velocities ranging from the flammable region to detonation. As part of this review the author summarized the kinetics of the explosion of ozone as sensitized by bromine. Lewis raised the question as to the possible formation of bromine oxides.

In a 1963 review article, Schmeisser and Brandle¹¹ summarized the data pertaining to the properties and chemistry of the halogen-oxide compounds. Although these authors did not discuss BrO, they examined BrOBr and OBrO in detail. A measured enthalpy of formation of OBrO(cr) was noted. Brief mention was made of BrO₃, Br₂O₅, and Br₃O₈, although it was clear that the authors were not convinced that these "compounds" existed.

A 1972 review by Brisdon,¹² discussed seven bromine oxide species: BrO, OBrO, BrOO, BrO₃, BrOBr, Br₂O₂, and Br₂O₄. Whereas there was a complete spectroscopic characterization of BrOBr presented, only a partial identification of BrO was made. General comments proposing the existence (or nonexistence) of the remaining compounds were made.

Clyne and Curran¹³ surveyed the reaction kinetics of halogen atoms, excited molecular halogens, and halogen oxide radicals. The authors covered the literature through early 1976. Their discussion provided a summary of the bimolecular reactions of ClO and BrO with a variety of species. In the case of BrO, one of the products formed was BrOO. Thermodynamic enthalpies of reaction given in this review were extracted from earlier studies by Clyne.

Bromine and its oxides were reviewed (through 1992) by Keller-Rudek *et al.*¹⁴ for the Gmelin series. An earlier review by Kotowski *et al.*¹⁵ for this series was published in 1931. The Keller-Rudek review discussed in detail many oxides [BrO, BrO₂, BrO₃, Br₂O, BrBrO, Br₂O₂, Br₂O₃, Br₂O₄, Br₂O₅, and Br₂O₆], but only briefly mentioned others [BrO₄, BrO₆, Br₂O₇, Br₃O₈, Br₄O, Br₄O₂, and Br₄O₄]. Four species were listed in this review for which we do not have bibliographies. Two of these species [Br₄O, BrO₆] were stated to be weak complexes, whereas the other two [Br₄O₂, Br₄O₄] were assumed to be unstable intermediates.

On the other hand, this JPCRD article mentions two species [BrOO, O₂BrOBrO] which were not discussed by Keller-Rudek *et al.*¹⁴

[After this article was written and reviewed, we became aware of the existence of another review article by Wayne *et al.*²¹ This article provides discussion on the thermodynamic and spectroscopic data on many bromine oxides. Although not of importance for our purposes, the article also discusses many other topics, including photochemistry and kinetics.]

In reading Sec. 5, the reader will soon learn that the existence of many of the bromine oxide compounds is questionable. The thermal instability of the bromine oxides has led to numerous difficulties in characterizing specific bromine oxides. The syntheses are not always reproducible. The following summarizes our interpretations of the probable existence of the compounds mentioned:

Exist and have been observed: BrO; OBrO; BrOO;
BrOBr; BrBrO

Postulated: BrO₃; BrO₄; BrO₆; Br₂O₂

Observed as crystalline solid: OBrOBrO; BrOBrO₂;
O₂Br-BrO₂; O₂BrOBrO; BrBrO₄; Br₂O₅

No conclusive confirmation as to existence: Br₂O₆;
Br₂O₇; Br₃O₈; Br₄O; Br₄O₂; Br₄O₄

In the following discussions, analyses and calculations, the 1993 atomic weights of the elements¹⁶ are used: A_r(Br) = 79.904 ± 0.001; A_r(O) = 15.9994 ± 0.0003. Since the mid-1950s, the relative atomic weight of oxygen has changed by 0.0006 to 15.9994. Similarly for bromine, the relative atomic weight has changed by 0.012 to 79.904. Relatively speaking, these changes are sufficiently small that we will not consider any conversions due to relative atomic weights.

In addition, the 1986 fundamental constants are used.¹⁷ The key constant of interest in this work is the ideal gas constant: $R = 8.314510 \pm 0.000070 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$. In comparison to the 1973 fundamental constants,¹⁸ R has changed by +0.0001 J mol⁻¹ K⁻¹. The effect on the thermal functions with this change is $\Delta S^\circ (298.15 \text{ K}) = 0.004 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ for OBrO(g) and BrOBr(g).

SI units are used for the final recommendations. Since we are dealing only with ideal gases and spectroscopic information, the resulting calculated thermodynamic tables refer to thermodynamic temperatures. Thus, no temperature scale conversions are necessary.

In the following discussions, the numeric values (and their uncertainties if given) presented are those reported in the original publication in addition to the SI value. This is to ensure quick confirmation of the extracted results and their uncertainties. These uncertainties (not always based on experimental and mathematical analyses) are the values quoted by the original authors and are often not fully described as to their origins. Our reported uncertainties for S° and $\Delta_f H^\circ$ are calculated using a propagation of errors approach.

The recommended data presented in the NIST-JANAF Thermochemical Tables are a result of a combined appraisal of results from experimental studies, calculations (e.g.,

quantum-mechanical treatments) and estimations. All tables are calculated using the full significance of all numeric values. Rounding occurs at the end of the calculations. The uncertainty given represents our best attempt for twice the standard deviation.

The NIST-JANAF Thermochemical Tables (Sec. 6) are calculated using the current atomic weights and fundamental constants, as well as the thermochemical tables for the monoatomic and diatomic bromine and oxygen. These latter reference state thermochemical tables, as originally calculated, were based on the 1973 fundamental constants¹⁸ and the 1981 relative atomic weights.¹⁹ This will cause a slight offset in the formation properties of the order 0.01 kJ/mol; such an offset is well outside the uncertainty range of the enthalpy of formation of the bromine oxides. Neumann²⁰ has presented an identical thermochemical table for BrO(g); this table was prepared jointly with this author.²¹

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2. Chemical Species Coverage

The following is a list of all bromine oxide species cited in the Chemical Abstract Services (CAS) Indices (formula and substance). Aqueous ions and gaseous ions are not included in this study. The chemical name, formula, and CAS Registry Number (when available) are given. This list is complete through Volume 121 of Chemical Abstracts Services (December 1994). It is important to note that this listing gives species whose existence is now questioned. Deleted CA Registry Numbers are given to assure the reader that all past citations were retrieved. There is limited information on the existence of asymmetric isomers of the triatomic species—BrOO and BrBrO. Such asymmetric isomers exist for the chlorine oxides, although for the oxygen fluorides, FOO has been observed (but not FFO). (See Table 2.1.)

3. Historical Perspective of the Bromine Oxides

It is informative to briefly summarize the types of studies which have been conducted through the years on the bromine oxides. Specific references are given in Sec. 9. This section is intended to simply highlight developments through the years, not to provide specific references.

Using the Chemical Abstracts Services Collective Indices as a backdrop for these historical comments, the period of 1907 to 1926 (the 1st and 2nd Collective Indices) revealed no citations for any bromine oxide species. Even the later citations do not refer to any studies in this time period or earlier.

In the time period 1927 to 1946 (the 3rd and 4th Collective Indices), Chemical Abstracts listed a total of ten citations dealing with bromine oxides. All citations can be grouped in two classes: (1) preparation of solid bromine oxides (from the reaction of bromine and ozone) and (2) preparation of Br₂O in CCl₄ solutions (from the reaction of bromine with HgO). It is not always clear whether the studies' prime motive was the preparation of bromine oxides or the decomposition of O₃. In all cases, the stability of the products was examined. The first citation (by Lewis and Schuma-

TABLE 2.1. Bromine oxide species.

Formula ^a	Name	Chemical Abstracts and Registry	
		Deleted #	Current # ^b
BrO	Bromine oxide	...	23878-08-2
BrO(BrO)	Bromine oxide	77968-12-5 16651-29-9 12233-84-0	15656-19-6
⁷⁹ BrO (⁷⁹ BrO)	Bromine oxide	...	24050-34-8
⁸¹ BrO (⁸¹ BrO)	Bromine oxide	...	23878-08-2
BrO ₂ (OBrO)	Bromine oxide	...	21255-83-4
⁷⁹ BrO ₂ (O ⁷⁹ BrO)	Bromine oxide	...	29044-85-7
⁸¹ BrO ₂ (O ⁸¹ BrO)	Bromine oxide	...	29051-09-0
BrO ₂ (BrOO)	bromodioxy	...	67177-47-3
BrO ₃ (pyr)	Bromine oxide	26670-64-4	32062-14-9
BrO ₄ (BrO ₄)	Bromine oxide	56310-08-8	11092-92-5
Br ₂ O (BrOBr)	Bromine oxide	...	21308-80-5
Br ₂ ¹⁸ O (Br ¹⁸ OBr)	Bromine oxide	...	21364-13-6
Br ₂ O(BrBrO)	Bromine oxide	...	68322-97-4
⁷⁹ Br ₂ O (Br ⁷⁹ BrO)	...	...	151921-01-6
⁸¹ Br ₂ O (Br ⁸¹ BrO)	...	...	151921-02-7
Br ₂ O ₂ (BrOOBr)	Bromine peroxide	...	96028-01-2
Br ₂ O ₃ (OBrOBrO)	Bromine oxide	55589-63-4	53809-75-9
Br ₂ O ₃ (BrBrO ₃)	Bromine bromate	...	152172-79-7
Br ₂ O ₄ (Br(BrO ₄))	Bromine perbromate	...	141438-65-5
Br ₂ O ₄ (O ₂ Br-BrO ₂)	Bromine oxide	...	53723-86-7
Br ₂ O ₄ (O ₂ Br-O-BrO)	Bromine oxide	...	55589-64-5
Br ₂ O ₅	Bromine oxide	...	58572-43-3
Br ₂ O ₆	Bromine oxide	...	...
Br ₂ O ₇	Bromine oxide	...	...
Br ₃ O ₈	Bromine oxide	...	121992-88-6

^aA secondary formula is intended to suggest the assigned structure. If there is no secondary formula given, this means that no structure has been determined for this species, but the atomic ratio is known.

^bIf no CA Registry Number appears in this column, the species is assumed not to exist.

cher in 1928) dealt with a study in which, upon mixing bromine and ozone in a flask (no temperature specified), a white deposit appeared. Soon thereafter, an explosion destroyed the apparatus. With such an auspicious debut, further studies of the bromine reaction with ozone were performed more carefully and at lower temperatures (15 °C).

For the time period 1947 to 1961 (the 5th and 6th Collective Indices), 16 additional articles were indexed in Chemical Abstracts Services. Again, this work concentrated on the preparation of condensed phase bromine oxides and was more definitive as to the exact composition of the compound formed during a specified reaction scheme. In addition, the absorption spectra and dissociation energy of BrO(g) were reported, and the enthalpy of formation of BrO₂(cr) was measured.

For the time period 1962 to 1971 (the 7th and 8th Collective Indices), 37 references were cited. The dominant theme was the formation of a particular bromine oxide species through radiolysis, photolysis, or shock waves of solutions of bromates (BrO, BrO₂, BrO₃) and EPR studies of γ -irradiated crystalline bromates (BrO, BrO₂, BrO₃, and BrO₄). There was some additional information on the spectroscopic properties of BrO(g), BrO₃, and Br₂O.

In the time period of the 9th and 10th Collective Indices (1972–1981), there was considerable activity in the area of the study of the reaction and formation of various bromine oxides. In addition to the spectral studies on BrO(g), BrO₂, BrO₃, and Br₂O, many were published on the preparation, structure, and Raman spectra of many of the oxides (Br₂O₃, Br₂O₄, Br₂O₅) in the condensed phases. EPR studies on BrO, BrO₂, BrO₃, and BrO₄ were continued.

For the 11th and 12th Collective Indices (1982–1991), there were extensive studies of the formation and reaction of BrO (including many dealing with the kinetics) in the troposphere and stratosphere. Fortunately, there are numerous definitive studies of the spectroscopic properties of the triatomic oxides.

In the past three years there has been experimental studies in which BrO₂ and Br₂O have been observed in the gas phase. Additionally, more definitive studies have examined the crystalline oxides in an attempt to confirm the existence of some of the higher valence bromine oxides.

In summary, there are no heat capacity, enthalpy, or vapor pressure studies for any of the bromine oxides. There are a few articles which detail the preparation and report decomposition temperatures for the condensed phases. There is one direct experimental enthalpy of formation measurement for BrO₂(cr), one enthalpy of formation measurement for Br₂O(g), and one equilibrium study for Br₂O(g). The spectroscopic properties and dissociation energy for BrO(g) have been studied adequately, but the complete spectroscopic determination and enthalpy of formation values for any of the other bromine oxides is lacking. Except for Br₂O, not all vibrational frequencies have been observed for these oxides. The identification and characterization of the crystalline phase is not always definitive.

4. Summary of the Data for the Bromine Oxide Species

4.1 Spectroscopic Information

The construction of thermodynamic tables for polyatomic gas phase species requires a knowledge of the spectroscopic constants of the molecule including electronic energy levels and degeneracies, vibrational frequencies and molecular structure (including bond angles and bond lengths). This information is necessary for any low-lying excited electronic states, as well as the ground state. These data are obtained either from direct spectroscopic measurements, from theory, or by analogy with other similar chemical compounds. In some cases, theoretical quantum mechanical calculations are used. There is some spectral information available on a limited number of bromine oxides in the condensed phase. Recent gas spectroscopic studies reveal structural and vibrational frequency information for BrOBr and OBrO. However, relying on information from the fluorine and chlorine oxides, estimates can be made for the structure and spectroscopic properties of the asymmetric triatomic oxides, BrOO(g), and BrBrO(g).

For diatomic molecules, spectroscopic information on the electronic energy levels and vibrational-rotational structure is necessary. Experimental data of these types are available for BrO(g). Similar information on ClO(g) is available for comparison.

4.2 Thermodynamic Information

The literature survey revealed little or no information on the thermodynamic properties of any of the bromine oxides, except for BrO(g) which was derived from spectroscopic data. There is a reference for the enthalpy of formation for BrO₂(cr). Although not explicitly cited in Chemical Abstracts, there is a reference for the enthalpy of formation of BrO₃(g). There are, however, numerous citations as to the thermal stability of the various condensed phase oxides.

For the gas phase species, BrO(g) has dissociation energy information available so that an enthalpy of formation may be calculated. Only experimental formation information has been reported in the literature for Br₂O(g), but not for any of the other gaseous bromine oxides.

There are insufficient data available to permit the calculation of thermodynamic functions for the condensed phase of any of the bromine oxides. No heat capacity or enthalpy data are reported in the literature for any of these oxides. There are some ambiguous data for the melting of the various condensed phase.

5. Discussion of the Literature Data

The information is discussed in terms of the individual bromine oxide species. This is not to imply that all those species exist or have been isolated and characterized. For example, current information suggests that Br₂O₆, Br₂O₇, and Br₃O₈ do not exist, whereas compounds such as BrO₃ and BrO₄ have been proposed but have not been isolated. The proposed existence of the former three was based on a chemical analysis which is now known to be in error. The references for each of the following subsections are found in the References–Annotated Bibliographies (Sec. 9). The squib notation is used to denote the references. The squib is formed by taking the last two digits of the year and the first three letters of the lead two authors.

Early studies, prior to 1960, which deal with the bromine oxides fall into three categories: (1) the reaction of bromine with ozone at low temperatures (<–40 °C), (2) the bromine sensitized decomposition of ozone, and (3) the reaction of bromine with HgO. In the former case, depending on the temperature and relative concentration of the two gases, the products have been stated to be Br₃O₈, BrO₃, Br₂O₅, Br₂O, and BrO₂, all in the condensed phase. However, due to the instability of these oxides and the lack of definitive characterization of the crystals, it was not possible to clearly define the reaction and its products. Reproducibility appeared not to be commonplace. It was also stated that BrO₂ decomposed to Br₂O as the temperature was raised above –40 °C, with Br₂O₇ proposed as an intermediate. Since the

actual chemistry is not of prime importance in this article, and the fact that the characterization of the compounds is not definitive, these articles will not be discussed or critiqued in detail in the sections dealing with these six species.

The early studies revealed the presence of condensed phase products which were stable only at low temperatures, typically below 15 °C. Three articles by Lewis and co-workers examined the reaction of ozone and bromine to form an unstable oxide which they interpreted to be $(\text{Br}_3\text{O}_8)_n$. Schwarz and co-workers examined reaction schemes which produced BrO_2 , Br_2O , and Br_2O_7 . Zentl and Rienacher and Brenschede and Schumacher prepared Br_2O by the reaction of bromine vapor on specially prepared HgO and HgO in CCl_4 solution, respectively. As already stated, these reaction schemes produced products which were unstable above approximately 15 °C. In fact, the species of presumed composition Br_3O_8 was found to be very unstable, explosively unstable. [This compound was later shown to be most likely BrO_3 .] These early preparative reports gave no quantitative information, other than a temperature at which a (presumed) compound appeared to decompose. The reason for emphasizing these points is that, even to the present, most reaction schemes for any of the bromine oxides still rely on the reaction of bromine gas and ozone in the gas phase or solution. Isolation and characterization is difficult and has led to ambiguous results.

5.1 BrO

The references for BrO can be grouped into numerous categories. Although these categories are somewhat arbitrary, the intent is to provide the reader with a general understanding of the information available. For the purpose of this article, we will discuss only the spectroscopy, EPR, and dissociation energy studies; others may not be addressed as these do not necessarily provide sound thermodynamic information.

1. Spectroscopy:

Cross sections -

[88WAH/RAV], [77VOG/DRE]

Microwave -

[69POW/JOH], [72AMA/YOS], [74LOV/TIE],
[80LOE/MIL], [81COH/PIC]

IR -

[78TEV/WAL], [81MCK], [84BUT/KAW], [91ORL/
BUR]

UV (emission) -

[37VAI], [38VAI], [47COL/GAY]

UV (absorption) -

[50HER], [58DUR/RAM], [58ZEE], [80LOE/MIL],
[81BAR/COH], [85DUI/HUD]

Other -

[72YAN], [73BYB/SPA], [73PAN/MIT], [74DHA/
CLE], [74DHA/CLE2], [74TIS], [81DOR/MEH],
[81GRO/LAU], [85POY/PIC], [88IGE/STO].

[89BOW/BOY], [93MON/STI]

2. EPR -

[66CAR/LEV], [67CAR], [67CAR/LEV], [67CAR/
LEV2], [67CAR/LEV3], [67CAR/LEV4], [69CAR],
[70CAR/DYE], [71MIL], [71BYF/CAR], [72ADL],
[72BRO/BYF], [75DAL/LIN], [86BYB], [86BYB2]

3. Dissociation energy/IP/EA -

[47COL/GAY], [48GAY], [50BRE/BRO], [50HER],
[53BRE], [53GAY], [54COT], [58BRE], [58DUR/
RAM], [63SCH], [65GLU/MED], [66VED/GUR],
[68GAY], [68WAG/EVA], [69BRE/ROS], [70DAR],
[77GLI], [77VOG/DRE], [78DUN/DYK], [79HUB/
HER], [81BOH/SEN], [82WAG/EVA], [84SAU/TAT],
[86GIN], [97BAS/GAV], [88IGE/STO], [88SIN],
[88TYK], [89GUR/VEY], [92GIL/POL], [94RUS/
BER]

4. Formation/decomposition/reaction/detection -

[40MUN/SPI], [60BRI/MAT], [60MAT/DOR],
[61GUE/GOU], [62GUE/PAN], [63BUR/NOR],
[64TRE/YAH], [66BUX/DAI], [68BUX/DAI],
[70AMI/TRE], [70TOM/STU], [71KAU/KOL],
[71OSL], [73DIX/PAR], [73PAR/HER], [74CAH/RIL],
[77GIL/GAR], [77TAD/SHI], [78TEV/WAL], [80SEH/
SUD], [80YUN/PIN], [86BRU/AND], [86KRE/FAB],
[86RAZ/DOD], [86HIL/MCC], [89BAR/BEC],
[90SOL], [91ARS/ZIV], [91JAD/LON], [91NEU/
DOR], [91SZA/WOJ], [92FAN/JAC], [92MCC/HEN],
[92WAT], [94ARP/JOH], [94COX/COX], [94GAR/
SOL], [94HAU/PLA], [94INO], [94MAR/COR],
[94POM/PIQ], [95FLE/CHA]

5. Kinetics -

[70BRO/BUR], [70CLY/CRU], [70CLY/CRU2],
[71CLY/CRU], [75CLY/WAT], [75RAD/WHI],
[75WOF/MCE], [76CLY/MON], [76MOI/YUR],
[77CLY/CUR], [77CLY/WAT], [79LEU], [79WAT/
SAN], [80JAF/MAI], [80MOL/MOL], [80NIC],
[80SAN], [81CLY/MAC], [81DON/ZEL], [81MEN/
SAT], [81RAY/WAT], [81SAN/RAY], [81SAN/WAT],
[82ANT], [82COX/SHE], [82COX/SHE2], [82FER/
SMI], [83BUT/MOR], [82BAU/COX], [84CLA],
[85BYK/GOR], [86BRU/STI], [86MCE/SAL],
[86MOX], [86SAN], [86TUN/KO], [87ELO/RYN],
[87HIL/CIC], [88BAR/SOL], [88BRU/TOO], [88HIL],
[88HIL/CIC], [88SAL/WOF], [88SAN/FRI], [88TOO/
AND], [88TOO/BRU], [89AND/BRU], [89ATK/BAU],
[89ATK/BAU2], [89AUS/JON], [89FRI/SAN], [89KO/
ROD], [89MEL/POU], [89SAN/FRI], [89SOL/SAN],
[90DAN/CAR], [90PHI], [90POU/LAN], [90POU/
LAN2], [90TUR], [90TUR/BIR], [91AND/TOO],
[91BAR/BAS], [91LAN/LAV], [91MUR], [91TUR],
[91TUR/BIR], [92POU/PIR], [92ROS/TIM], [92WAH/
SCH], [93BRI/VEY], [93CUR/RAD], [93MAU/WAH],
[93SAL/WOF], [93THO/DAY], [93WIN/NIC],
[94CHI/CAR], [94THO], [94TOU], [94WEN/COH],
[95THO/CRO]

6. Review -

[48GAY], [50BRE/BRO], [53BRE], [53GAY].

TABLE 5.1.1. Rotational constants for BrO (B_0/cm^{-1}).

Source	^{79}BrO	^{81}BrO	Comments
58DUR/RAM	0.455	0.472	B determined by plotting $\nu_{R(J)}$ vs $(J-2)^2$
69POW/JOH	0.4277893 ± 0.0000037	0.4260164 ± 0.0000030	B_{eff} ; microwave spectrum
72AMA/YOS	0.4277789 ± 0.0000017	0.4260037 ± 0.0000030	B_{eff} ; reported in MHz; microwave spectrum
74TIS	0.4282 ± 0.0005	0.4264 ± 0.0005	Review
81COH/PIC	0.42960660 ± 0.00000013	0.42782007 ± 0.00000013	$B_{\text{eff}}(B_{e2})$; rotational spectrum
81MCK	0.42960660 ± 0.00000013	0.42782007 ± 0.00000013	B_{eff} ; values taken from 81COH/PIC; held fixed in this spectral analysis;
	0.426278	0.424510	B_0 values
84BUT/KAU	0.42778722 ± 0.00000007	0.42601182 ± 0.00000007	$B_{\text{eff}}(B_0)$; states this values (from infrared and microwave data) to be same as that derived by 81COH/PIC
91ORL/BUR	0.42778706 ± 0.00000025	0.42601176 ± 0.00000011	derived from infrared measurements

[57RAM], [66VED/GUR], [68GAY], [69BRE/ROS], [70DAR], [74LOE/TIE], [74SCH], [77CLY/CUR], [79HUB/HER], [84BAU/COX], [84BUR/LAW], [84SAU/TAT], [89ATK/BAU]

Spectroscopic Information

The microwave data which result in rotational constants are summarized in Table 5.1.1.

Vaidya [37VAI, 38VAI] assigned a system of bands in the region 4000–4600 Å to the radical BrO. The compound was obtained in a flame of ethyl bromide burning with oxygen. Vaidya proposed a provisional vibrational analysis. Coleman and Gaydon [47COL/GAY] studied the emission of BrO in flames. A vibrational analysis yielded $\omega_e''=713\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\omega_e''x_e''=7\text{ cm}^{-1}$. Zeelenberg [58ZEE], using flash photolysis techniques with four brominated compounds, observed an absorption spectra which was attributed to BrO. No vibrational analysis was provided.

Durie and Ramsay [57RAM, 58DUR/RAM] observed the absorption spectra of BrO during the flash photolysis of $\text{Br}_2\text{-O}_2$ mixtures. Twenty absorption bands were recorded in the region 2890–2550 Å. Rotational and vibrational analyses were performed, leading to values for r_0 , and B_0 , as well as ω_e and $\omega_e x_e$ values. Only approximate rotational constants were observed:

$$^{79}\text{BrO} \quad B_0 = 0.455\text{ cm}^{-1} \quad r_0 = 1.669\text{ \AA}$$

$$^{81}\text{BrO} \quad B_0 = 0.472\text{ cm}^{-1} \quad r_0 = 1.635\text{ \AA}$$

Durie and Ramsay adopted a mean value of $r_0 = 1.65 \pm 0.02$ Å. The authors were able to describe the absorption bands in the same vibrational scheme as used by 47COL/GAY for

emission, with a slight adjustment in the numbering scheme. The vibrational analysis yielded $\omega_e = 771.9\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\omega_e x_e = 6.82\text{ cm}^{-1}$.

Powell and Johnson [69POW/JOH] detected the microwave spectra of the gas phase BrO radical in the $^2\Pi_{3/2}$ ground state. They reported rotational constants $B_{\text{eff}}(^{79}\text{BrO}) = 12824.80 \pm 0.11$ (0.42779 cm^{-1}) and $B_{\text{eff}}(^{81}\text{BrO}) = 12771.65 \pm 0.09$ (0.42602 cm^{-1}). These results are in good agreement with the EPR measurements which are mentioned later in this section.

Using microwave detection techniques, Amano *et al.* [72AMA/YOS] determined the equilibrium structure and dipole moment of the gas phase BrO. They reported $B_{\text{eff}}(^{79}\text{BrO}, ^2\Pi_{3/2}, \nu=0) = 12824.49 \pm 0.05\text{ MHz}$ (0.42779 cm^{-1}) and $B_{\text{eff}}(^{81}\text{BrO}, ^2\Pi_{3/2}, \nu=0) = 12771.27 \pm 0.09\text{ MHz}$ (0.42600 cm^{-1}). The authors recommended $r_e = 1.7171 \pm 0.0013\text{ \AA}$ for both isotopic species as derived from B_e .

Yanishevskii [72YAN] studied the relationship between vibrational frequencies and dissociation energies. No new data were presented.

Byberg and Spanget-Larsen [73BYB/SPA] used a modified extended Huckel method to calculate nuclear quadrupole coupling constants. No new structural information for BrO was provided.

Pandey *et al.* [73PAN/MIT] calculated the mean amplitudes of vibration of BrO at the temperatures $T = 298.16$ and 500 K . The bond and molecular polarizabilities have been computed using the Lipincott–Stutman Δ -potential function model of chemical bonding.

Dhar and Cleveland [74DHA/CLE, 74DHA/CLE2] pre-

sented calculations relating the Morse-potential energy function with force constants, vibrational frequencies and dissociation energies. Calculations refer back to the Durie and Ramsay (1958) study. No new data were provided.

In their review of microwave spectra of diatomic molecules, Lovas and Tiemann [74LOV/TIE] recommended rotational constants and ground state splitting based on data from Amano *et al.* (1972). However, they also referred to the EPR results of [67CAR/LEV3] and [71BYF/CAR].

Tischer [74TIS] analyzed the $X^2\Pi_{3/2}$ spectrum of the BrO radical by calculating energy eigenvalues of the corresponding Hamiltonian. The author adopted [70CAR/DYE]'s EPR value of $B_0=0.4282\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{79}BrO); $B_0=0.4264\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{81}BrO) for the rotational constants and $A_0=-815\pm 120\text{ cm}^{-1}$ for the splitting of the two isotopic species (see the next section). An $r_0=1.7205\text{ \AA}$ (^{79}BrO) value was also quoted from [70CAR/DYE]. r_e values of 1.717 \AA were likewise reported, based on the work of Amano *et al.* (1972) for both isotopic species.

Tevault *et al.* [78TEV/WAL] studied the reaction of atomic and molecular bromine with atomic and molecular oxygen in argon matrices (photolysis of bromine and ozone containing matrices). Several bromine oxygen compounds were stated to have been formed and identified by infrared spectroscopy—BrO, OBrO, BrBrO, BrOBr, and (BrO)₂. The authors assigned a very weak absorption at 729.9 cm^{-1} to BrO. The force constant calculated from this frequency was 4.18 mdyne/\AA , a value which was not unexpected on the basis of the FO and ClO constants of 5.41 and 4.66 mdyne/\AA respectively, obtained from their argon matrix frequencies. A reinterpretation of the data yielded $\omega_e=751\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\omega_e x_e=5.0\text{ cm}^{-1}$ for the ground state. The excited state was reported to lie at 27740 cm^{-1} .

Absorption spectra of BrO were observed from argon matrix samples prepared by microwave discharge of mixtures of argon, bromine and oxygen by Loewenschuss *et al.* [80LOE/MIL]. The authors reported an excited state of $T_e=26363\text{ cm}^{-1}$ with $\omega_e=514.8\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\omega_e x_e=4.8\text{ cm}^{-1}$. Vibrational constants for the ground state are $\omega_e=743.5\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\omega_e x_e=6\text{ cm}^{-1}$. These values result from a reanalysis of earlier data and the current matrix work of [80LOE/MIL].

The absorption spectra and rotational analysis of the $A^2\Pi_1-X^2\Pi_1$ state of isotopically enriched ^{81}BrO and normal BrO have been obtained by Barnett *et al.* [81BAR/COH] using the flash photolysis of mixtures of bromine and ozonized oxygen. The authors quoted and used [81MCK]'s value of -968 cm^{-1} as the spin splitting in the ground state. The lower state rotational constants were taken to be those derived from the microwave study [81COH/PIC]. The rotational constants for the excited state were estimated as: $B'_3=0.314\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\alpha'_e=0.0034\text{ cm}^{-1}$, with an internuclear distance of 1.95 \AA . From the analysis of vibrational assignments for BrO, a value for $\Delta G''_{1/2}$ of $722.1\pm 1.1\text{ cm}^{-1}$ was obtained. Molecular constant values of $\omega''_e=730.6\text{ cm}^{-1}$, $\omega'_e=516.1\text{ cm}^{-1}$, and $D''_e=19\,694\text{ cm}^{-1}$ were used for the calculations of the ν' and ν'' bands.

Rotational spectrum of the $\nu=0$ and 1 bands and molecu-

lar parameters of BrO in the $2^2\Pi_{3/2}$ state were observed by Cohen *et al.* [81COH/PIC]. Rotational constants for the $2^2\Pi_{3/2}$ state were determined to be $B_{e2}=0.42960133\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{79}BrO) and $0.42781482\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{81}BrO). The values of $\omega_{e2}=726\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{79}BrO), 724 cm^{-1} (^{81}BrO) and $\omega_{e2}x_{e2}=4.92\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{79}BrO), 4.90 cm^{-1} (^{81}BrO) derived from the mechanical constants were in good agreement with results obtained by [81BAR/COH], [78TEV/WAL] and [80LOE/MIL]. An r_{e2} value of 1.717263 \AA was also determined for both of the isotopic species.

Doraiswamy and Mehrotra [81DOR/MEH] examined the collision-induced linewidths of BrO.

Grodzicke *et al.* [81GRO/LAU] calculated the dipole moment of BrO.

Using laser magnetic resonance spectroscopy on three CO₂ laser lines, McKellar [81MCK] detected magnetic dipole transitions between the $2^2\Pi_{1/2}$ and $2^2\Pi_{3/2}$ components of the ground state of BrO. This was the first direct observation of the $2^2\Pi_{1/2}$ state of BrO. A spectrum lying between 964.77 and 969.14 cm^{-1} was recorded for this state. The spin-orbit splitting parameter A and rotational constants $B^{\text{eff}}(2^2\Pi_{1/2})$ were determined to be -967.9831 cm^{-1} (^{79}BrO), -967.9981 cm^{-1} (^{81}BrO) and 0.4248 cm^{-1} (^{79}BrO), 0.4230 cm^{-1} (^{81}BrO), respectively. The author also predicted microwave rotational transition frequencies for the $X^2\Pi_{1/2}$ state of BrO.

Butler *et al.* [84BUT/KAW] observed the fundamental vibration-rotation band of the ^{79}BrO and ^{81}BrO radicals in the $2^2\Pi_{3/2}$ ground electronic state ($700\text{--}760\text{ cm}^{-1}$) by using Zeeman-modulated IR diode laser spectrometry. The authors assigned a 721.92814 cm^{-1} value for the ^{81}BrO $A^2\Pi_1-X^2\Pi_1$ transition, which agrees well with the 714 cm^{-1} value estimated by [81COH/PIC] and the $722.1\pm 1.1\text{ cm}^{-1}$ value derived by [81BAR/COH] from optical spectra. Rotational constants $B_0=0.427781964\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{79}BrO), $0.426006591\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{81}BrO), harmonic frequency $\omega_e=732.89\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{79}BrO), 731.37 cm^{-1} (^{81}BrO), and vibrational anharmonicity $\omega_e x_e=4.74\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (^{79}BrO), 4.72 cm^{-1} (^{81}BrO) were calculated. But based on the equilibrium spin-orbit coupling constant A_e , assumed to be independent of isotopic mass, the "true" $\omega_e=725.69$ and 724.18 cm^{-1} for the two isotopic species. The A_e value of -975.19 cm^{-1} (^{79}BrO) was based on the results of [82MAK/LOV] for ClO. The equilibrium internuclear distance was calculated from rotational constants to be $r_e=1.72072\text{ \AA}$ for both of the isotopic species.

Duignan and Hudgens [85DUI/HUD] reported the resonance enhanced multiphoton ionization spectra of ClO and BrO free radicals between 415 and 475 nm . BrO showed three new vibrational progressions starting from transitions between the $X^2\Pi_{3/2}$ state to Rydberg states with assignments of $E^2\Sigma(\nu_{00}=65003\text{ cm}^{-1})$, $F^2\Sigma(\nu_{00}=67470\text{ cm}^{-1})$, and an apparently inverted state, $G(\nu_{00}=70504\text{ cm}^{-1})$. No doublet originating from the ground state $2^2\Pi_{1/2}-2^2\Pi_{3/2}$ spin-orbit splitting was observed. The authors proposed a ground state vibrational frequency of 714 cm^{-1} , obtained from the difference of the hot band at 466.51 nm and the $E(0,0)$ band. This

TABLE 5.1.2. Rotational and electronic state splitting constants for BrO.

Source	Species	B_0/cm^{-1}	A/cm^{-1}	$r_0/\text{Å}$
66CAR/LEV	^{79}BrO	0.45		
	^{81}BrO	0.47		
70CAR/DYE	^{79}BrO	0.4282 ± 0.0005	-815 ± 120	1.720 ^a
	^{81}BrO	0.4264 ± 0.0005	-815 ± 120	
71MIL	BrO	adopted values of [70CAR/DYE]		
72ADL	BrO	adopted values of [70CAR/DYE]		
72BRO/BYF	^{79}BrO	0.4281	-980	
	^{81}BrO	0.4263	-980	
81MCK	^{79}BrO	0.4278^b	$-967.983(2)$	
	^{81}BrO	0.4260^b	$-967.9981(2)$	

^aUnspecified which BrO isomer (^{79}BrO or ^{81}BrO) it dealt with.

^bThese values are $B_{\text{eff}}(^2\Pi_{3/2})$.

value differed from the 722 cm^{-1} value proposed by [78TEV/WAL, 81BAR/COH, 84BUT/KAW], and the $F^2\Sigma$ ($\omega_e=822\text{ cm}^{-1}$), $E^2\Sigma$ ($\omega_e=897\text{ cm}^{-1}$), and $G^2(\Delta G_{1/2}=848\text{ cm}^{-1})$ values for the Rydberg states. Values for $E^2\Sigma(\omega_e x_e=2.6\text{ cm}^{-1})$ were also given.

Poynter and Pickett [85POY/PIC] have created a computer-accessible catalog of submillimeter, millimeter and microwave spectral lines which was constructed by using theoretical least square fits to the observed spectral lines.

Ground-state properties of the fourth row main group monohydrides XH and monoxides XO (X=K through Br) were determined by Igel-Mann *et al.* [88IGE/STO] by means of self-consistent field/configuration interaction (SCF/CI) calculations. Bond lengths $r_e=1.741\text{ Å}$ (3.29 a.u.), dissociation energy $D_e=10646\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (1.32 eV) and vibrational frequency $\omega_e=726 \pm 10\text{ cm}^{-1}$ were calculated. The authors referred to the dissociation energy recommended by Huber and Herzberg (1979).

Wahner *et al.* [88WAH/RAV] measured the absolute UV cross section of BrO at $338.1 \pm 0.1\text{ nm}$, the peak of the (7,0) band of the $A^2\Pi \leftarrow X^2\Pi$ transition. The absorption spectra of BrO in the wavelength range 312–385 nm were measured at 298 ± 2 and $223 \pm 4\text{ K}$ using a flow tube reaction.

Bowmaker and Boyd [89BOW/BOY] performed a SCF-MS- $X\alpha$ study of the bonding and nuclear quadrupole coupling in oxygen compounds with the halogens. Calculations were performed using structural information from [69POW/JOH].

The $\nu=1-0$ band of BrO in the $X^2\Pi_{3/2}$ spin state was measured by Orlando *et al.* [91ORL/BUR] using high-resolution Fourier transform absorption spectroscopy. The values obtained were $\nu_0=723.414$ (^{79}BrO) and $\nu_0=721.927$ (^{81}BrO). One hundred and thirty transitions were assigned and analyzed to determine the band origins and rotational constants of ^{79}BrO and ^{81}BrO . The BrO line positions were fit using the same expression as [84BUT/KAW]. The fits also included the microwave data of [81COH/PIC]. This fit involved the band origin rotational constant and centrifugal distortion constant. UV measurements recorded an $A^2\Pi \leftarrow X^2\Pi$ transition of BrO in the region 285–355 nm ($28169\text{--}35088\text{ cm}^{-1}$). Rotational constants, $B_0=0.42778706$

(^{79}BrO) and $B_0=0.42601176$ (^{81}BrO) were also obtained. The molecular constants are in good agreement with those reported by [84BUT/KAU].

The photoionization spectrum of ^{79}BrO was measured by Monks *et al.* [93MON/STI] over the wavelength range $\lambda=108\text{--}122\text{ nm}$ ($81967\text{--}92593\text{ cm}^{-1}$) using a dischargeflow photoionization mass spectrometry. The structure shown by the equivalent ^{81}BrO spectrum was indistinguishable. This is the first determination of the ionization energy for $\text{BrO}(X^2\Pi_i)$ to be obtained via direct photoionization threshold measurement, although it had been attempted by Dunlavey *et al.* [78DUN/DYK] earlier. A vertical excitation energy for the $X \rightarrow A$ transition was calculated (using MC-SCF method) to be 30539 cm^{-1} which compares favorably with an experimental adiabatic excitation energy 27926 cm^{-1} . This study also provides calculated values for three other excited electronic states. The authors quoted the three excited states of [85DUI/HUD]. An $r_e=1.824\text{ Å}$ value was also proposed.

EPR Information

There are numerous EPR studies involving BrO. These studies can provide information as to the rotational constant (to yield an r_0 value) and the electronic spin orbit splitting constant (A), and are summarized in Table 5.1.2. In many of these studies this information has not been provided.

Carrington and co-workers have studied the EPR spectrum of BrO in the gas phase. In all cases there were difficulties in preparing the sample and observing the full spectrum due to the intensity of O_2 lines in the same region.

66CAR/LEV - A preliminary EPR study in which techniques for measurements were given for BrO. Eighteen lines of the 24 expected were detected, the remaining being obscured by the intense spectrum of O_2 . The authors were confident that the spectrum arises from $\text{BrO}(^2\Pi_{3/2})$ in its lowest rotational level. The data were consistent with Duric and Ramsay's (1958) calculations for the rotational constant $B_0=0.45$ (^{79}BrO); $=0.47$ (^{81}BrO).

67CAR - A review article of EPR and other forms of microwave spectroscopy in which the BrO spectra was mentioned but no data was given.

- 67CAR/LEV - Attempted to study the EPR gas phase spectra of BrO. The relatively weak BrO lines were often obscured by the many intense O₂ lines which occur in the same field region.
- 67CAR/LEV2 - The effects of an electric field on the electron resonance spectra in the gas-phase were used to measure the dipole moment of BrO in its electronic ground state.
- 67CAR/LEV3 - Examined the EPR spectrum of BrO and detected double quantum transitions.
- 67CAR/LEV4 - A gas phase EPR cavity was developed which allows the application of a parallel Stark field. The spectra of BrO were observed clearly in the presence of O₂.
- 69CAR - High-resolution spectroscopic studies of the rotational levels of BrO. The author reviewed his previous studies involving the ²Π_{3/2} electronic state of BrO.
- 70CAR/DYE - The gas phase EPR spectra of BrO in its ²Π_{3/2}, *J*=3/2 levels were described. The analysis confirmed that the radical has a ²Π_{3/2} ground electronic state (8612.200 MHz). Values of the fine-structure splitting *A* = -815 ± 120 cm⁻¹ and rotational constant *B*₀ = 0.4282 ± 0.0005 cm⁻¹ (⁷⁹BrO); = 0.4264 ± 0.0005 cm⁻¹ (⁸¹BrO) were obtained. The determination of *A* as negative showed conclusively that the ground state was ²Π_{3/2} (an inverted doublet). The authors favor their values over those obtained by 58DUR/RAM, leading to a calculation of *r*₀ = 1.720 Å.

Byfleet *et al.* [71BYF/CAR] measured the dipole moment of BrO using Stark splitting of the molecule's gas phase electron resonance spectra.

Miller [71MIL] reanalyzed the data from electron resonance experiments for BrO and IO. Although he stated that the splitting of the ground state was anomalously low for IO and questioned the treatment for BrO, he did not give a new value for the splitting of the ground state for BrO. Miller quoted the earlier results tabulated by [70CAR/DYE] for the spin-orbit coupling constant (*A* = -815 cm⁻¹).

Adl [72ADL] examined the EPR spectrum of gaseous BrO. He identified as the ground state a ²Π electronic state for the radical where *J*=3/2. [72ADL] compares and contrasts ground and first excited rotational states of BrO, assigning the radical a spectra of 8775.5 MHz for both the ground state (*J*=3/2) and the excited state (*J*=5/2). The molecular parameters presented by [70CAR/DYE] were used to calculate the spectra for the *J*=3/2 and *J*=5/2 levels of BrO. No new parameters were presented by Adl.

The EPR spectrum of the gaseous BrO *J*=5/2 rotational levels of ²Π ground state was observed by Brown *et al.* [72BRO/BYF]. A comparison with the results of *J*=3/2 levels lead to values for corrections. Spectra were recorded at 9720.26 MHz at *J*=5/2 levels using Stark modulation. This value, -980 cm⁻¹, is preferred to that of [70CAR/DYE] because of the more extensive data in the higher order data treatment method used by [72BRO/BYF] in comparison with that used by [70CAR/DYE].

Although secondary references imply that the article by

[75DAL/LIN] deals with BrO, in fact it examines the EPR of BrO₂, BrO₄, and BrO₆ and is strictly a theoretical study.

Byberg [86BYB] studied the EPR of [XO, O₂], X=Br, Cl, formed from the decomposition of ClO₃⁻ and BrO₃⁻ in solid KClO₄:KBrO₃. The main features of the spin Hamiltonian [BrO, O₂] correspond to BrO (²Π) in a crystal field, coupled through an isotropic exchange interaction to O₂ (³Σ_g⁻) to form a spin-doublet ground state. Hamiltonian values were given as experimental and calculated values at 26 K. Molecular hyperfine parameters in MHz for ⁷⁹BrO in the gas phase were also given.

In a subsequent study by Byberg [86BYB2], the preparation of BrO in the crystal state was examined. The EPR and x-irradiation of solid KBrO₃ is shown to produce complex defects of the composition [BrO, O₂]. The EPR spectra of KBrO₃(cr) recorded at 26 K after x-irradiation contained signals from at least six defects in spin-doublet and ground state. But the thermal formation of [BrO, O₂] in the photolyzed KBrO₃(cr) indicated that BrO₃^{*} produced [BrO, O₂] by reaction with a photoinduced precursor R, BrO₃^{*} + R → [BrO, O₂]. (See Table 5.1.2.)

The conclusions to be drawn from the EPR studies are that the ground state is ²Π_{3/2} (inverted doublet). For comparison, the laser magnetic resonance study of [81MCK] yielded rotational and spin orbit coupling constants. These values are included in Table 5.1.2.

Dissociation Energy Studies

There are two experimental spectroscopic studies which yield dissociation energy values: [47COL/GAY, 58DUR/RAM]. It is important to note that the excited state dissociates to Br(²P_{3/2}) + O(¹D₂).

1. A linear Birge-Sponer extrapolation of the Coleman and Gaydon (1947) data gave 17800 cm⁻¹ (2.21 eV or 50.9 kcal) for the dissociation energy of the ground state. Assuming that this extrapolation is high by perhaps as much as 20% [53GAY], Coleman and Gaydon recommended 14240 cm⁻¹ (1.75 ± 0.3 eV or 40.7 kcal).
2. As stated by Durie and Ramsay [58DUR/RAM], the absorption spectrum of BrO was not observed to the dissociation energy limit. The limit was determined by extrapolating an equation representing the band heads and by a graphical Birge-Sponer technique. The limit was determined to be approximately 35200 cm⁻¹. Subtracting the ¹D₂-³P₂ excitation energy of the oxygen atom (15867.862 cm⁻¹), the dissociation energy is calculated to be 19332 ± 200 cm⁻¹ (2.40 ± 0.02 eV or 55.3 kcal/mol). Durie and Ramsay reported the dissociation energy to be 19330 cm⁻¹ whereas the actual calculation yields 19332 cm⁻¹.

Table 5.1.3 lists all studies which mention the dissociation energy of BrO. There are numerous articles which refer to dissociation studies, some of which simply extract earlier reported values or calculate them anew, and others which reassess data from the two experimental spectroscopic studies listed above.

TABLE 5.1.3. Dissociation energy of BrO (D_0°).

Source	eV	kcal/mol	kJ/mol	Comments
Experimental				
47COL/GAY		40.7	170	See discussion
58DUR/RAM		55.3	231	See discussion
Calculation				
77GLI		50.9	213	Used experimental ΔH_f values to calculate mean bond dissociation energies; the calculated D_1 value was derived from a ΔH_f value of [53BRE] but this latter value was not reported
88IGE/STO	1.32		127	SCF/CI calculations of the fourth row main group oxides (for the oxides K through Br the D_e values are consistently underestimated except for KO); dissociation energy value compared with a 2.45 eV value presumably from [79HUB/HER] (This is not what appears in these authors' book); bond length $r_e=1.741$ Å and vibrational frequency $\omega_e=726\pm 10$ cm ⁻¹ were also calculated
Comparisons				
77VOG/DRE				Used value extracted from [68GAY]
78DUN/DYK				Photoelectron spectroscopy study of ionization potential: quotes dissociation value of [58DUR/RAM]
81BOH/SEN				Mentioned dissociation energy but did not give a value
84SAU/TAT				Adopted value recommended by [79HUB/HER]
88TYK				Reported values extracted from existent sources; no new data
92GIL/POL				Photoelectron spectroscopic study; no new values given
Re-assignments				
50BRE/BRO				No direct values are given
50HER	2.2		212	Also refers to 1.75 eV as derived from [47COL/GAY]
53BRE				No value given but reference made to an earlier study [50BRO/BRE]
53GAY	1.8±0.5	42	176±48	Linear Birge-Spone extrapolation (L.B.X.) (ν , 0-7) 2.2 eV, but signs of negative curvature: analogy with ClO and IO favors high value; [47COL/GAY]
54COT	2.2 1.8±0.5		212 176±48	Values extracted from [50HER] and [53GAY] respectively: spectroscopic evidence is uncertain; Gaydon's upper limit, which agrees with [50HER] LBSX value, is more in accord with D_0 (ClO), but even this seems low
58BRE		51	213	Value reported by Brewer with no explanation as to its origin
63SCH	1.8±0.5		176±48	Value extracted from [53GAY]
65GLU/MED		55.3±0.6	231±3	Values based primarily on the study of [58DUR/RAM]
66VED/GUR		55.3±0.6	231±3	Extrapolation of A ² Π levels: assumed dissociation limit goes to Br(² P _{3/2}) + O(¹ D); interpretation taken from Gurvich's early review (1962)
68GAY	2.40±0.02	55.2	231	L.B.-S.X ² Π 2.7 eV. Good G.B.-S.A ² Π, assuming limit is to O(¹ D), 2.40±0.02. [58DUR/RAM]
68WAG/EVA		55.3±0.6	231±3	Results based solely on the work of [58DUR/RAM]
70DAR		55.2	231	Spectroscopy, adopted [58DUR/RAM] value:
		55.3±0.6	231±3	Extrapolation of A ² Π [66VED/GUR];
		55.27	231	Extracted from [65WAG/EVA];
		55.3±0.1	231±1	Recommended by [70DAR]
79HUB/HER	2.39±0.01		230.6±1.0	Taken from near convergence of the absorption bands A-X ₁ : assumes dissociation of A into Br(² P _{3/2}) + O(¹ D ₂)
82WAG/EVA		55.3±0.6	231±3	Results based solely on the work of [58DUR/RAM]
89GUR/VEY		55.28±0.6	231.3±3	Based on short extrapolation of the levels in the A ² Π ₁ state: authors mention three kinetic studies which lead to less accurate values
94RUS/BER		55.3±0.6	231±3	Value given at 0 K; source of value unknown

Clyne and co-workers [77CLY/WAT, 77CLY/CUR] tabulated enthalpy of reaction for reactions involving BrO. The enthalpy of formation in these calculations was not specifically given but was said to have been taken from the best available information at the time (1976).

We adopt the interpretation of [79HUB/HER] for the dissociation energy of BrO. (See Table 5.1.3.)

5.2. BrO₂ (OBrO)

All references dealing with BrO₂ are listed in the following eight categories. This listing is somewhat arbitrary but is intended to give the reader a purview of the reported data. Of prime interest for this article are the spectroscopic and bond dissociation energy studies.

1. Formation/preparation/decomposition
[37SCH/SCH], [38SCH/WIE], [39SCH/JAB],
[39SCH/WIE], [40MUN/SPI], [59SCH/JOE],
[62GUE/PAN], [71SHE/TUR], [74SOL/KEI],
[80JAF/MAI], [83BUT/MOR], [90LEV/OGD]
2. Formation in crystal matrix or solution -
[62BOY/GRA], [68BUX/DAI], [69AMI/CZA],
[69BAR/GIL], [70AMI/TRE], [71OSL], [91SZA/
WOJ]
3. BrO₂ as an intermediate -
[85BEN/KRI], [85STE], [86BEN/KRI], [90SAS/HUI]
4. Reaction -
[53PFL], [55PFL], [72FIE/KOR], [76HER/SCH],
[78FOE/SCH], [80FOE/LAM], [80FOE/LAM2],
[82FOE/LAM], [82FOE/LAM2], [82FIE/RAG],
[83FIE/RAG], [83FOE/LAM], [85FOE/LAM],
[86HUI/NET], [88NET/HUI], [89FOE/NOS],
[91SZA/WOJ], [94HJE/ROS]
5. Enthalpy of formation/bond dissociation energy -
[51PFL/SCH], [54COT], [66VED/GUR], [68WAG/
EVA], [82WAG/EVA], [89STA], [95HUI/LAS]
6. Spectroscopy/structure -
[73BYB/SPA], [73PAS/POT], [76PAS/PAV],
[78TEV/WAL], [83BUT/MOR], [89BOW/BOY],
[94RAT/JON], [95MAI/BOT], [95MUE/MIL]
7. EPR -
[66CHA/BOY], [70COL/COS], [71BYB], [72RAO/
SYM], [75BYB/LIN], [75DAL/LIN], [77SAS/RAO],
[79CAR/SAH]
8. Review -
[60GEO], [63SCH/BRA], [72BRI], [84BUR/LAW],
[84JAC], [90JAC], [94JAC]

BrO₂ was first mentioned in the literature in 1937 [37SCH/SCH]. Schwarz *et al.* [37SCH/SCH], [38SCH/WIE], [39SCH/JAB], [39SCH/WIE] discussed the preparation of BrO₂.

Schwarz and Schmeisser [37SCH/SCH] studied the reaction of bromine with ozone which produced BrO₂ as a light yellow solid. This compound did not melt but decomposed spontaneously to the elements at approximately 0 °C.

Schwarz and Wiele [38SCH/WIE] studied the thermal decomposition of BrO₂. In addition to the formation of the elements, the authors also detected a white oxide which they presumed was Br₂O₇ or Br₂O₆ and a dark-brown oxide, Br₂O. Schwarz and Wiele [39SCH/WIE] continued their study of the thermal decomposition of BrO₂. Their study showed that BrO₂ is completely stable at -40 °C, but that decomposition can be detected manometrically as the temperature is increased. Br₂O is stable at -40 °C. Again Br₂O₇ was suggested as one of the decomposition products of BrO₂.

Mungen and Spinks [40MUN/SPI], in examining the decomposition of ozone in the presence of bromine, detected the formation of a number of bromine oxides, including BrO₂.

The remaining studies of the formation of BrO₂ are based on variations of these above-mentioned procedures. Solomon

and Keith [74SOL/KEI] made several attempts to prepare BrO₂, including the glow-discharge method of [37SCH/SCH]. The techniques used produced bromine oxides of variable composition including BrO₂, BrO₃ and BrO_{2.71} (very close to Br₃O₈). Much of this work was reviewed by [63SCH/BRA] and [72BRI], as well as in the Gmelin series mentioned in the Introduction.

There are numerous EPR studies. None of these studies provide any information as to the structure of BrO₂.

Chase and Boyd [66CHA/BOY]: radiolysis of crystalline alkaline earth bromates by cobalt-60 γ -ray, suggested that BrO₂ was produced and stabilized in the crystal lattice.

Collins *et al.* [70COL/COS]: irradiated zinc bromate, experimental evidence suggested the formation of a paramagnetic center in the crystal which was attributed to BrO₂.

Byberg [71BYB]: x-ray irradiated KBrO₄ crystals at 10 or 26 K, spectra interpreted to indicate the existence of BrO₄ which then, thermally dissociated to BrO₂.

Rao and Symons [72RAO/SYM]: x-ray irradiated crystalline bromates, EPR spectra of BrO₂ in part based on seeing the effects of two isotopes ⁷⁹Br and ⁸¹Br, both having I=3/2, proposed a formation route for BrO₂, results stated to differ from the Collins *et al.* [70COL/COS] data.

Byberg and Linderberg [75BYB/LIN]: x-ray irradiated perbromate crystals, suggested the formation of a weakly bound complex of the composition (BrO₂•O₂), no evidence that BrO₂ existed as a separate entity.

Dalgard and Linderberg [75DAL/LIN]: molecular theory calculational model for the EPR study of quadrupole and hyperfine interaction tensors of BrO₂, BrO₄, and BrO₆; x-ray irradiation of KBrO₄ led to the formation of the (BrO₂•O₂) complex.

Sastry and Rao [77SAS/RAO]: EPR identification of the formation of BrO₂ in a γ -irradiated cadmium bromate dihydrate.

Carrier *et al.* [79CAR/SAH]: EPR of BrO₂, spectrum was similar to that observed by [72RAO/SYM].

There are a number of spectroscopic studies which provide vibrational frequencies and structural information. These are summarized in Table 6.

Byberg *et al.* [73BYB/SPA], stated that in 1973, no structural information was available for BrO₂. Modified extended Huckel theory was used to calculate nuclear quadrupole coupling constants. Comparing calculated values with observed values helped confirm the geometry of BrO₂: C_{2v} symmetry with a bond length of 1.625 Å and a bond angle of 117.6°. This geometry was that of ClO₂ with an adjustment for the presumed differences in BrO and ClO. The nuclear quadrupole coupling constants are not as sensitive to the bond angle as they are to the bond distances. The authors stated that any reasonable changes will not improve interpretation.

Pascal *et al.* [73PAS/POT, 76PAS/PAV] indicated that BrO₂ exists as Br₂O₄ with a Br-Br bond. The authors ob-

Table 6. Polyatomic bromine oxide species: Structure and vibrational frequencies.

Source	Structure	Bond Distance $r(\text{\AA})$			Vibrational Frequencies			Comments	
		Br-O	O-O	Br-Br	ν_1	ν_2	ν_3		
BrO ₂ (OBrO)									
73BYB/SPA	C_{2v} , 117.6°	1.625						Modified extended Huckel theory used to calculate nuclear quadrupole coupling constants; calculated values for structure	
73PAS/POT								Raman spectra in crystalline form indicated that BrO ₂ exists as Br ₂ O ₄ with a Br-Br bond	
78TEV/WAL	*110±2°					852		Infrared spectra of the isolated radical in an Ar matrix; *apex angle determined on identification of ν_3 asymmetric stretch; ¹⁸ O isotopic enrichment experiments used to identify molecules	
83BUT/MOR	C_{2v} , 118°	2.9						Mass spectrometry; discharge-flow system; reaction of O+Br ₂ ; assumed structure (in analogy with OClO) and calculated rotational constants	
84JAC, 90JAC 94JAC						852		Review recommended ν_3 value from Ar matrix study of 78TEV/WAL	
89BOW/BOY	C_{2v} , 117.6°	1.625						SCF multiple scattering X- α calculations of the bonding and nuclear quadrupole coupling in BrO ₂ ; adopted geometry of [73BYB/SPA]	
95MAI/BOT	C_{2v}				O ⁸¹ BrO 791-797 O ⁷⁹ BrO 794-799	O ⁸¹ BrO 842-844 O ⁷⁹ BrO 845-847		IR absorption; matrix isolation at 12 K	
95MUE/MIL	C_{2v} , 114.4°	1.649						Microwave study, preliminary analysis also supportive of ν_2 approximately equal to 300 cm ⁻¹	
BrOO									
70CLY/CRU								Electronic absorption spectrophotometry in a discharge-flow system of BrO; formation of BrOO in BrO+BrO-k ₂ →Br+BrOO→Br+O ₂ disproportionation reaction	
78TEV/SMA					1487			Infrared spectra of the isolated radical in an argon matrix	
79MIC/PAY					872	100		BEBO calculations, stated to be indeterminate for the bending frequency; value suggested for ν_2 is consistent with the authors' kinetic data in the region 200-360 K	
83BUT/MOR	C_s , 120°	2	1.5					Mass spectrometry; discharge-flow system; assumed structure (in analogy with Br-O-O-Br structure suggested by 70CLY/CRU) and calculated rotational constants	
84JAC, 90JAC					1487			Review recommended ν_1 value from Ar matrix study of 78TEV/SMA	
95MAI/BOT	C_s				Br ¹⁶ O ₂ 1475.5-1484.0 Br ¹⁶ O ¹⁸ O 1430-1432.1			IR absorption; matrix isolation at 12 K; the vibrational frequency assigned to Br ¹⁶ O ¹⁸ O is in fact a mixture of Br ¹⁶ O ¹⁸ O and Br ¹⁸ O ¹⁶ O	
BrO ₃					ν_1	ν_2	ν_3	ν_4	
56VEN/SUN	C_{3v} , 89°	1.68			442	800	35 0	828	References observed Raman frequencies, however it appears adopted frequencies are approximations derived from the ion; bond distance calculated by Badger's rule; calculation of force constants
63VEN/RAJ	C_{3v} , 89°				442 439	800 806	35 0 35 0	828 815	Urey-Bradley potential force field; although the authors refer to observed vibrational frequencies there is no specific reference to these observations; observed and calculated frequencies given respectively; calculation of force constants
64RAO/SYM	C_{3v}								Vibrational mean square amplitude theory; two totally symmetric A ₁ and identifies six vibrations. modes; no data provided; two doubly degenerate E mean square amplitudes calculated

Table 6. (Continued.)

Source	Structure	Bond Distance $r(\text{Å})$			Vibrational Frequencies				Comments
		Br-O	O-O	Br-Br	ν_1	ν_2	ν_3	ν_4	
70BEG/SUB	C_{3v} , 114°								ESR; formation of BrO_3 from γ -radiolysis of potassium bromate at 77 K; structure identified; magnetic parameters given
72RAO	C_{3v}								Centrifugal distortion constants; classifies the six vibrations as two totally symmetric A_1 and two doubly degenerate E modes but no values were given
74BYB/KIR	* C_s								*ESR crystal study of paramagnetic defects in x-irradiated KBrO_3 suggests that the species is BrO_3^- rather than BrO_3 ; $\text{KNO}_3:\text{KBrO}_3$ exhibits the BrO_3 species with a cylindrical spin Hamiltonian analogous to that of ClO_3 ; calculated bond distance based on ClO_3
77LEE/BEN		1.66							EXAFS spectra; prediction of bond length
78THI/MOH	C_{3v} , 89°	1.79			800	442	82	350	Group theoretical method; vibrational frequencies calculated for ν_1 and ν_2 are reversed, the same is true for ν_3 and ν_4 ; force constants are calculated
85BYB	C_{3v} , 112°	1.57							Values proposed earlier by 74BYB/KIR to account for the spin Hamiltonian of BrO_3 in $\text{KNO}_3:\text{KBrO}_3$;
	105.5°	1.56	1.72	1.64					ESR spectra in $\text{KClO}_4:\text{KBrO}_3$; author proposes a new asymmetric structure for BrO_3 with bond distances for $(\text{Br}-\text{O}'_1)$, $(\text{Br}-\text{O}_2)$ and $(\text{Br}-\text{O}_3)$, respectively
86UMA/RAM	C_{3v}								ESR γ -irradiation of crystal KBrO_3 and $\text{Sr}(\text{BrO}_3)_2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$; MO calculations using the CNDO/2 method; NQR experimental values
BrOBr					ν_1	ν_2	ν_3		
54ANT/DOJ									UV absorption spectra of Br_2O in CCl_4 ; strong absorption band at 2800 Å (35714 cm^{-1})
68CAM/JON	C_{2v} , 113°				504	197	587		IR spectra of the crystal Br_2O and ^{18}O -enriched Br_2O ; spectra most satisfactorily explained in terms of C_{2v} symmetry; comparisons with F_2O and Cl_2O were used in explaining data; force constants were calculated
72BRI	113°				504	197	583		Review based crystal study by 68CAM/JON; calculation of force constants
77PAS/PAV					504	197	590		Raman analysis (species observed in a matrix at 50°C) corroborates previous IR studies; assumed the formation of Br_2O from decomposition of Br_2O_3
78PAS					506		592		IR spectra of the crystal Br_2O
78TEV/WAL	87°				526.1		504		IR spectra of the isolated radical in an argon matrix; states that the values assigned by 68CAM/JON for ν_1 and ν_3 are reversed and questioned the ν_3 reasonableness of the bond angle; ^{18}O isotopic enrichment experiments used
84BOL/BAL	Linear				250	245	800		Extended x-ray absorption spectra of thermally excited vibrations; frequencies were used to calculate force constants; no preferred structure was recommended; estimates of the vibrational frequencies as a function of bond angles
84EPI/LAR									MOVB theory: no data provided
84JAC. 90JAC. 94JAC					526.1		623.4		Review recommended ν_1 and ν_3 values from Ar matrix studies by 78TEV/WAL and 87ALL/POL
87ALL/POL	* 113° or 87°				526.1		623.4		IR spectra of matrix isolated radical: *bond angle depend on relative assignment of ν_1 and ν_3
90LEV/OGD	C_{2v} , $112 \pm 2^\circ$	1.85		3.07	508		595		IR and UV-VIS spectroscopy and bromine k-edge EXAFS of the solid radical: consistent with the results of 68CAM/JON and 78PAS

Table 6. (Continued.)

Source	Structure	Bond Distance $r(\text{\AA})$			Vibrational Frequencies			Comments
		Br-O	O-O	Br-Br	ν_1	ν_2	ν_3	
92NOV	C_{2v} , 115.69°	1.80902						<i>Ab initio</i> calculations and an extended basis set; comparable with the results of 90LEV/OGD
95LEE	C_{2v} , 112.9°	1.865			512	180	613	<i>Ab initio</i> calculations—CCSD(T)
95MUE/COH	C_{2v} , 112.24°	1.8429			...	180	...	Microwave spectra for three isotopomers
BrBrO								
73DIX/PAR	150°							Reaction complex O-Br-Br; plausible triplet ground state at $\alpha=180^\circ$, however, an improved approximation might change α to 150°
73PAR/HER								Cross-beam experiments involving collision of O atoms with Br molecules; predicts an O-Br-Br nonlinear complex with a triplet ground state
78TEV/WAL					804	<200	236	Infrared spectra of the Ar-Br ₂ -O ₃ matrix isolated radical; the Br-Br bending mode are based on comparison with the Cl-Cl stretch and ClClO bending mode of ClClO
80VEL/DUR								Cross-beam scattering; stated reactive results are consistent with the long-lived triplet of the OBrBr complex as suggested by 78TEV/WAL and 73PAR/HER
82FER/SMI	³ A''							Reactive scattering of O atoms with Br ₂ ; proposed existence of a shortlived OBrBr collision complex with a bent configuration and with a modest E ₀ of approximately 110 kJ/mol; supports the conclusion of 73PAR/HER
84JAC, 90JAC, 94JAC 87LOE/AND					804		236	Review recommended ν_1 and ν_3 from Ar matrix study by 78TEV/WAL Frontier orbital theory and Lewis electronic structure theory; proposed existence of a long-lived intermediate of a cyclic BrBrO structure
95LEE	113°	1.690	2.510		793	215	153	<i>Ab initio</i> calculations—CCSD(T)
Br ₂ O ₂								
68EDW/GRE		Br-O	O-O	Br-O				Rate law stoichiometry; classified as BrBrO ₂
70CLY/CRU	120°	1.64	1.5	2.0				Electronic absorption spectrophotometry in a discharge-flow system of BrO; transition-state theory: a symmetrical planar bent chain triplet species with a structure (BrOBr) was assumed; estimated in comparison with ClOCl
78TEV/WAL								IR argon matrix spectroscopy; photolysis; weak bands appeared at 831.7, 830.2, and 760.3 cm ⁻¹ ; identified the most likely structure of Br ₂ O ₂ as an open chain when the Br-Br bond remains intact (OBr-BrO), and a (BrOBrO) structure formed by the insertion of an oxygen atom into the weakened Br-Br bond
84EPI/LAR								MOVB theory; reference to this species in table but no data provided
Br ₂ O ₃								
74PAS/PAV								Prepared from the thermal decomposition of Br ₂ O ₄ ; Raman absorption and IR spectra; the vibrational spectrum of Br ₂ O ₃ shows the presence of a BrOBr bond but it was not possible to distinguish between the two forms (OBrOBrO and BrOBrO ₂)
76PAS/PAV	C_s							Raman spectra; suggested a (OBrOBrO) structure for Br ₂ O ₃ ; some vibrational frequencies have been assigned to specific vibrational modes
77PAS/PAV								Raman spectra; suggested a symmetric structure (OBrOBrO); some frequencies have been assigned to specific vibrational modes
87ALL/POL							973.1-1029.6	IR spectra of a crystalline Br ₂ O ₃ in argon matrix; not able to determine which structure (BrOBrO ₂ or OBrOBrO) existed; the symmetrical structure was adopted based on comparison of Raman spectra of Br ₂ O ₃ and Br ₂ O ₄

Table 6. (Continued.)

Source	Structure	Bond Distance $r(\text{\AA})$			Vibrational Frequencies			Comments
		Br-O	O-O	Br-O	ν_1	ν_2	ν_3	
93STI								Proposed anionic structure of $\text{Br}^+\text{BrO}_3^-$ for Br_2O_3
Br_2O_4 73PAS/POT (O_2BrBrO_2)	C_{2v} or C_2				861-882	205	910-919	Raman spectra at -180°C ; Br_2O_4 is classified as having a dimeric structure ($\text{O}_2\text{Br}-\text{BrO}_2$) with a Br-Br bond
74PAS/PAV (O_2BrBrO_2) 76PAS/PAV (O_2BrOBrO)								Raman spectra; suggested structure to be (O_2BrBrO_2) Raman spectra; suggested structure of the two isomers of Br_2O_4 to be (O_2BrBrO_2) and (O_2BrOBrO); some vibrational frequencies have been assigned to specific vibrational modes of the two symmetric and asymmetric isomers
77PAS/PAV (O_2BrOBrO)	C_{2v} or C_2							Raman spectra; suggested structures (O_2BrBrO_2) and (O_2BrOBrO) for the two isomers of Br_2O_4 ; some frequencies have been assigned to specific modes of the symmetric and asymmetric isomers
92GIL/LEV (BrBrO_4)	$110 \pm 3^\circ$							Spectroscopic and EXAFS data on solid compound; interatomic distance given
Br_2O_5 77PAS/PAV								Based on the Raman spectra and structure of Br_2O_3 and Br_2O_4 , an I_2O_5 analogous polymer structure is proposed for Br_2O_5

served the Raman spectra of the crystalline bromine dioxide at -180°C in a sealed tube *in vacuo*. There is no structural or vibrational information provided directly for $\text{BrO}_2(\text{g})$, although tentative assignments had been made for the crystalline dimer.

Tevault *et al.* [78TEV/WAL] studied the reaction of atomic and molecular bromine with atomic and molecular oxygen in argon matrices (photolysis of bromine and ozone containing matrices). Several bromine oxygen compounds were stated to have been formed and identified by infrared spectroscopy — BrO , OBrO , BrBrO , BrOBr , and $(\text{BrO})_2$. The apex angle of BrO_2 was calculated to be $110 \pm 2^\circ$ based on three facts:

1. The proper identification of the symmetric stretching frequency ν_3 to be 852 cm^{-1} ,
2. Observed frequency shifts with the use of $^{18}\text{O}_3$, and
3. Splitting due to the naturally occurring bromine isotopes (^{79}Br and ^{81}Br).

Bowmaker and Boyd [89BOW/BOY] assumed the BrO_2 geometry as suggested by [73BYB/SPA] in performing an SCF- $X\alpha$ study of the bonding and nuclear quadrupole coupling in BrO_2 . Butkovskaya *et al.* [83BUT/MOR], in their kinetic studies, proposed a C_{2v} structure with a bond angle of 118° and a bond distance of 2.9 \AA by analogy with OCIO . This series was detected by modulated beam mass spectrometry. Magnetic and electric field beam focusing revealed that OBrO is a paramagnetic molecule with a C_{2v} symmetry.

Jacox [84JAC], [90JAC], [94JAC], in her reviews, recommended a $\nu_3=852\text{ cm}^{-1}$ asymmetric stretch value, based on the work of [78TEV/WAL].

Rattigan *et al.* [94RAT/JON] observed a visible absorption spectrum arising from OBrO in the bromine sensitized decomposition of ozone. The authors provided spectral evi-

dence for the $A^2A_2 \leftarrow X^2B_1$ electronic transition. They reported $\nu_{0,0,0}=16178\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and approximate vibrational frequencies for the excited state ($\nu_1=600\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\nu_2=200\text{ cm}^{-1}$).

Preliminary results of a microwave study of $\text{OBrO}(\text{g})$ by Mueller *et al.* [95MUE/MIL] suggested a bent structure, $r(\text{Br}-\text{O})=1.649\text{ \AA}$ and $\angle(\text{OBrO})=114.4^\circ$. They also observed the ν_2 and $2\nu_2$ states, but the relative intensities were not measured. Results are consistent with a ν_2 value of approximately 300 cm^{-1} .

Maier and Bothur [95MAI/BOT] studied the flash photolysis of a gas mixture containing bromine, oxygen and argon. BrO_2 was formed by the matrix irradiation of BrOO . The IR absorption of two isomers (O^{81}BrO and O^{79}BrO) was observed at three different concentration ratios of $\text{Br}_2/\text{O}_2/\text{Ar}$ and values for ν_1 and ν_3 were assigned.

Pflugmacher *et al.* [51PFL/SCH] experimentally measured the enthalpy of formation of $\text{BrO}_2(\text{cr})$. The value reported was $-12.5 \pm 0.7\text{ kcal}$ which, in fact, refers to the decomposition heat. The formation reaction is the reverse of what was measured. Wagman *et al.* [68WAG/EVA], [82WAG/EVA], in their reviews, assumed that the measured value referred to the energy of the reaction (not the enthalpy) and corrected the value for a $\Delta(\text{pv})$ term, adjusted the value from -45°C to 25°C , thus resulting in a value of 11.6 kcal/mol for the enthalpy of formation of $\text{BrO}_2(\text{cr})$. Glushko and Medvedev (1965) adopted 12.5 kcal/mol as the enthalpy of formation.

Cottrell [54COT] reported $D(\text{O}-\text{BrO}) \geq 70 \pm 10\text{ kcal/mol}$. (This converts to $\Delta_f H = 87.3\text{ kJ/mol}$.) This value was based on the enthalpy of formation of $\text{BrO}_2(\text{cr})$ reported by [51PFL/SCH] and $D_0(\text{BrO})=2.25\text{ eV}$ or 50 kcal/mol . Cottrell expressed doubt as to the validity of this value based on comparison with ClO_2 . The enthalpy of dissociation re-

ported by [66VED/GUR] is $\Delta H(298) \geq 70$ kcal/mol for the reaction $\text{BrO}_2 \rightarrow \text{BrO} + \text{O}$. This is an estimated value based on the work by Cottrell (1954). In contrast Huie [95HUI/LAS] has estimated the enthalpy of formation of $\text{OBrO}(\text{g})$ in the following manner. According to Stanbury [89STAN], the enthalpy of formation of OBrO in the gas phase can be estimated from the value of $\Delta G^0 = 144$ kJ mol⁻¹ in the aqueous phase by comparison with the gas and aqueous phase values for OClO . Taking $\Delta G^0 = 120.5$ kJ mol⁻¹ for $\text{OClO}(\text{g})$ and $\Delta G^0 = 117.6$ kJ mol⁻¹ for $\text{OClO}(\text{aq})$ [Wagman, 1968] and assuming the same ratio applies for OBrO , we obtain $\Delta G^0 = 148.0$ kJ mol⁻¹ for $\text{OBrO}(\text{g})$ and $\Delta_f H^0 = 130$ kJ mol⁻¹.

5.3. BrO_2 (BrOO)

All references dealing with BrOO are listed in the following four categories. This listing is somewhat arbitrary but is intended to give the reader a purview of the data. The structure and vibrational frequencies of this molecule are summarized in Table 6.

1. Formation as an intermediate in kinetic schemes -
[69IP/BUR], [70BLA/BRO], [70CLY/CRU],
[77CLY/CUR], [80JAF/MAI], [81SAN/WAT],
[83BUT/MOR], [86SAN], [88TOO/BRU], [93MAU/VAH]
2. Reviews -
[77CLY/CUR], [84BUR/LAW], [84JAC], [90JAC],
[94JAC]
3. Spectroscopy/structure -
[70CLY/CRU], [78TEV/SMA], [79MIC/PAY],
[83BUT/MOR], [95MAI/BOT]
4. Enthalpy of formation/ dissociation energy -
[69IP/BUR], [70BLA/BRO], [70CLY/CRU],
[81SAN/WAT], [83BUT/MOR], [88TOO/BRU],
[95HUI/LAS]

Butkovskaya *et al.* [83BUT/MOR], in their kinetic studies, proposed a C_s structure with a bond angle $\text{Br}-\text{O}-\text{O} = 120^\circ$ and bond distances of $r(\text{Br}-\text{O}) = 2 \text{ \AA}$ and $r(\text{O}-\text{O}) = 1.5 \text{ \AA}$. [83BUT/MOR] referred to the [70CLY/CRU] study to aid in estimating a structure for BrOO .

Michael and Payne [79MIC/PAY] discussed a calculational approach (BEBO) in which they determined $\nu_1 = 872$ cm⁻¹. Although this method was stated to be indeterminate for the bending frequency, the authors did suggest that a value of $\nu_2 = 100$ cm⁻¹ was consistent with their kinetic data in the region of 200–360 K.

Jacox [84JAC], [90JAC], [94JAC] reviewed the spectroscopic properties of BrOO : the sole reference being the spectroscopic work by Tevault and Smardzewski [78TEV/SMA] on the infrared spectrum of the Ar matrix isolated radical. The measurement provided an $\text{O}-\text{O}$ stretching frequency of 1487 cm⁻¹. There are no gas phase studies which characterize this molecule.

Maier and Bothur [95MAI/BOT] studied the flash photolysis of a gas mixture containing bromine, oxygen and ar-

gon. BrOO was produced by this process. The IR absorption of three isomers ($\text{Br}^{16}\text{O}^{18}\text{O}$, $\text{Br}^{18}\text{O}^{16}\text{O}$, and Br^{16}O_2) was observed and values for ν_1 were assigned.

A number of authors have cited an enthalpy of formation [81SAN/WAT], [88TOO/BRU] or a bond dissociation energy [70CLY/CRU], [83BUT/MOR], [95HUI/LAS] for BrOO . However, all of these studies are based on the work by Blake *et al.* [70BLA/BRO].

Ip and Burns [69IP/BUR] determined the recombination rate constants of bromine atoms in the presence of six different third bodies (helium, neon, argon, krypton, oxygen and nitrogen) over the temperature range of 300 and 1273 K. The authors refer to two earlier studies: Rabinowitch and Wood [36RAB/WOO] and Strong *et al.* [57STR/CHI]. Based on these data, Blake *et al.* [70BLA/BRO] calculated interaction potentials between atomic bromine, oxygen and an inert third body (such as a rare gas). A value was given for $\text{Br}-\text{O}_2$. BrOO was thought to be unstable with a bond energy ($\text{Br}-\text{OO}$) of approximately 1 kcal/mol which translated to an enthalpy of formation of 108 kJ/mol.

5.4. BrO_3

The articles pertaining to BrO_3 may be classified as follows.

1. Formation/preparation -
[28LEW/SCH], [29LEW/SCH], [29LEW/SCH2],
[30LEW/SCH], [38CSH/WIE], [39SCH/WIE],
[40MUN/SPI], [53PFL], [55PFL], [55PFL/RAB],
[58ARV/AYM], [59ARV/AYM], [59PFL], [59SCH],
[60BRI/MAT], [62GUE/PAN], [74SOL/KEI],
[82MUK/KHI]
2. Radiolysis -
[60MAT/DOR], [62BOY/GRA], [70AMI/TRE],
[70BEG/SUB], [71SER/ZAK]
3. Spectroscopy/structure -
[56VEN/SUN], [63VEN/RAJ], [64RAO/SAN],
[72RAO], [77LEE/BEN], [78THI/MOH], [84SAS/RAO],
[85BYB], [86UMA/RAM]
4. EPR -
[70BEG/SUB], [71SER/ZAK], [72RAO/SYM],
[74BYB/KIR], [85BYB]
5. Review -
[34BRA], [60GEO], [63SCH/BRA], [80KOL],
[84JAC]
6. Enthalpy of formation - [48FAR/KLE]

Early work refers to the formation in the condensed phase of the trioxide (or its dimer, the hexoxide).

There is no confirmatory information as to the proper characterization. There are many articles dealing with the formation or reaction of BrO_3 . Pflugmacher *et al.* [55PFL/RAB] studied the reaction of bromine with excess O_2 in a glow discharge at 0 °C. BrO_3 was claimed to be the product. Although the ratio was 1:3, it is not clear that the product was BrO_3 . The compound formed was claimed to decompose above -70 °C. Also, the method of Lewis and Schumacher [29LEW/SCH], in which the reaction of bromine

with ozone was claimed to produce Br_3O_8 , was reproduced here with a larger excess of ozone and yielded BrO_3 (in the condensed phase).

Arvia *et al.* [59ARV/AYM] studied the thermal reaction between bromine and ozone. Under different conditions, they observed Br_2O_5 and Br_3O_8 . The authors specifically stated that BrO_3 or Br_2O_6 was not observed, contrary to the result of Pflugmacher. Pflugmacher [59PFL] and Schumacher [59SCH] responded to this article and further discussed possible interpretations of the results.

Solomon and Keith [74SOL/KEI] made several attempts to prepare BrO_2 , including the glow-discharge method of [37SCH/SCH]. The techniques used produced bromine oxides of variable composition including BrO_2 , BrO_3 , and $\text{BrO}_{2.71}$ (very close to Br_3O_8).

EPR studies often provide information as to the structure of the molecule and the nature of the electronic ground state. In the case of BrO_3 , the EPR studies were consistent with a C_{3v} symmetry but there was no definitive evidence to confirm this.

BrO_3 was produced by the γ -radiolysis of KBrO_3 at 77 K [70BEG/SUB]. From the EPR measurements of BrO_3 and an assumed C_{3v} symmetry, they calculated the bond angle to be 114° . The structure was distorted in the crystalline environment. The authors stated that the radical must be distorted from C_{3v} symmetry presumably because of an asymmetric environment of the potassium ions around the oxygen atoms of BrO_3 . Similar results were reported in 1985 by Byberg [85BYB], in which the author reported that the BrO_3 radical had C_{3v} symmetry but some distortion might occur due to the nature of the host crystal. He discussed a bond angle of 112° and a bond length of 1.57 \AA . The other studies provide no additional information.

The spectroscopic articles for the gas phase radical involved force field calculations of pyramidal XY_3 type molecules [56VEN/SUN, 63VEN/RAJ, 64RAO/SAN, 72RAO, 78THI/MOH]. Contrary to the implications of these five articles, there was no observed structural information nor was there any observed vibrational information. Upon examination of the earlier literature cited by these authors, vibrational frequency information was found for BrO_3^- in a crystalline environment. Two of the four vibrational frequencies matched exactly with those reported for BrO_3^- . These articles have assumed a pyramidal structure with an O-Br-O angle of 89° (the same angle was used for the chlorine, bromine, and iodine trioxides); a bond distance Br-O of 1.68 \AA (from Badger's rule), and vibrational frequencies (in cm^{-1}) of $\nu_1=442$ [A_1], $\nu_2=800$ [A_2], $\nu_3=350$ [E], and $\nu_4=828$ [E].

Two additional studies provide insight into the structure of BrO_3 . Electric field gradients at the halogen site in XO_3 and XO_3^- radicals ($X=\text{Cl, Br}$), formed by the γ -irradiation of single crystals of NaClO_3 , KClO_3 , KBrO_3 and $\text{Sr}(\text{BrO}_3)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ have been evaluated by MO calculations using the CNDO/2 method. The symmetry of the XO_3 radicals was assumed to be that of XO_3^- ions which have C_{3v} symmetry [86UMA/RAM]. Lee and Beni [77LEE/BEN], in their

calculation of atomic phase shifts (as applied to extended x-ray absorption and fine structure in molecules and crystals) predicted a Br-O bond length of 1.66 \AA in solution. No other information of BrO_3 was provided.

There is no reported information as to the experimental determination of the enthalpy of formation of this radical. There is a calculated value reported by [48FAR/KLE] of $+23 \text{ kcal/mol}$. Although the authors, Farkas and Klein, stated that they calculated the enthalpy of formation of BrO_3 the formula given was BrO_3^- .

5.5. BrO_4

It is important to note that this oxide has not been isolated. There is no thermodynamic information and no spectroscopic information.

BrO_4 has been proposed to be formed:

- (1) As a weak adduct, $\text{BrO} \cdot \text{O}_3$, in the disproportionation of BrO [90TUR/BIR]
- (2) In the ^{60}Co γ -irradiation of an acidic aqueous glass containing perbromate ions [75GIN/SYM]
- (3) In the X-irradiation of KBrO_4 crystals [71BYB]
- (4) As a complex ($\text{BrO}_2 \cdot \text{O}_2$) during the X-irradiation of KBrO_4 (calculational model and EPR study) [75DAL/LIN]
- (5) By the X-irradiation of KClO_4 single crystals doped with KBrO_4 [85BJE/BYB]
- (6) During the X-irradiation of KBrO_4 single crystals in which a weakly bound complex ($\text{BrO}_2 \cdot 2\text{O}_2$) was formed which decayed to BrO_4 [75BYB/LIN].

5.6. Br_2O (BrOBr)

All references dealing with Br_2O are listed in the following six categories. Of prime interest are the spectroscopic studies and the enthalpy of formation calculation. The structure and vibrational frequencies of this molecule are summarized in Table 6. Br_2O has been experimentally studied in condensed media and in the gas phase.

1. Preparation/decomposition -
[30ZIN/RIE], [31LEW/FEI], [35BRE/SCH],
[36BRE/SCH], [38SCH/WIE], [39SCH/WIE],
[40MUN/SPI], [61GUE/GOU], [62GUE/PAN]
2. Review -
[34BRA], [60GEO], [63SCH/BRA], [72BRI],
[84BUR/LAW], [84JAC], [90JAC], [94JAC]
3. Reaction -
[47KLA/BOL], [53KAN], [69JEN/ZIE], [72BUN],
[72BUB2], [76ODY/NEC], [79MIT], [89FLE/SWA],
[87SWA/FLE], [94DNE/ELI], [95HEU/HAN]
4. Spectroscopy/structure -
(In solution) - [54ANB/DOS]
(In crystal) - [68CAM/JON], [77PAS/PAV],
[90LEV/OGD]
(In matrix) - [78TEV/WAL], [87ALL/POL],
[90LEV/OGD]

(In gas) - [73PAR/HER], [84BOL/BAL], [84EPI/LAR], [92NOV], [95LEE], [95MUE/COH], [95ORL/BUR]

6. Enthalpy of formation - [92NOV], [95LEE], [95ORL/BUR], [95THO/MON]
5. Physical properties (viscosity, thermal conductivity) - [62SVE]
6. Misclassified (should be BrO) - [66CAR/LEV]

The earliest studies dealing with the preparation of Br₂O are based on work by [30ZIN/RIE], [31LEW/FEI], and [35BRE/SCH].

In a review article, Brady [34BRA] stated that Zintl and Rienacker [30ZIN/RIE] obtained small quantities of a volatile oxide, perhaps Br₂O, by two methods; (1) by passing bromine vapor over a specially prepared HgO at 50–60 °C, and (2) by mixing bromine vapor with ozone under reduced pressure at 0 °C. A subsequent study by Brenschede and Schumacher [35BRE/SCH] examined the reaction between HgO and bromine in a carbon tetrachloride solution. The method of preparation is given, as well as the self decomposition and the reaction with carbon tetrachloride in light [the same reaction occurred in dark in a few days]. The decomposition in light was presumed to be Br₂O → Br₂ + 1/2O₂ and Br₂O + CCl₄ → COCl₂ + Br₂ + Cl₂. A subsequent study by the same authors [36BRE/SCH] examined the same formation reaction. In addition, they studied the extinction curve of Br₂O dissolved in CCl₄ and the thermal and photochemical decomposition.

Schwarz and Wiele [38SCH/WIE] studied the thermal decomposition of BrO₂. In addition to the formation of the elements, the authors also detected a white oxide which they presumed was Br₂O₇ or Br₂O₆ and a dark-brown oxide, Br₂O. Schwarz and Wiele [39SCH/WIE] continued their study of the thermal decomposition of BrO₂. Their study showed that BrO₂ is completely stable at -40 °C, but that decomposition can be detected manometrically. BrO₂ sublimes with extensive decomposition, melting in dry air at approximately -17.5 °C. Br₂O is stable at 40 °C. Again Br₂O₇ was suggested as one of the decomposition products of BrO₂.

Lewis and Feitknecht [31LEW/FEI], in examining the decomposition of ozone in the presence of bromine, detected the formation of a number of oxides, but not Br₂O. The specific oxide formed was not identified. The remaining studies dealing with the formation of Br₂O are based on variations of these procedures. All studies involving the formation, preparation and decomposition of Br₂O are reviewed by [34BRA], [63SCH/BRA] and [72BRI], as well as in the Gmelin series discussed in the Introduction.

Anthar and Dostrovsky [54ANT/DOS] measured the ultraviolet absorption spectra of Br₂O in CCl₄. A strong absorption band was observed at 2800 Å (35714 cm⁻¹).

Parrish and Herschbach [73PAR/HER] observed, in their cross beam experiments, that the reaction of O(³P) with Br₂(¹Σ_g⁺) yielded BrO(²Π) + Br(²P). The authors stated that this reaction occurred "via a persistent collision complex

with large reaction yield and no activation energy, but the known, stable Br₂O molecule does not correlate with the reactants."

The IR spectra of the solid was most satisfactorily explained [68CAM/JON] in terms of a bent triatomic molecule with C_{2v} symmetry and a ν₁=504 cm⁻¹, ν₂=197 cm⁻¹, and ν₃=587 cm⁻¹. The assumed bond angle was 113°.

Pascal *et al.* [77PAS/PAV] assumed that Br₂O was formed from the decomposition of Br₂O₃. The authors observed the symmetric stretch of Br₂O to be 504 cm⁻¹, the asymmetric stretch, 590 cm⁻¹, and assumed the bend to be 197 cm⁻¹. The Raman analysis of Br₂O corroborated the previous infrared work by Campbell *et al.* In a later study, Pascal [78PAS] reported ν₁=506 cm⁻¹ and ν₃=592 cm⁻¹ values.

The results of Tevault *et al.* [78TEV/WAL] are in contrast to those observed by Campbell *et al.* [68CAM/JON]. It appears that these authors assigned ν₁ a value of 526.1 cm⁻¹ and they implied that the assignments of ν₁ and ν₃ by [68CAM/JON] are reversed. Using Tevault's value of ν₃, a minimum value of 87° was calculated for the bond angle.

Bolander and Baldeschwieler [84BOL/BAL] examined the dependence of the extended x-ray absorption fine structure, amplitude, and phase on thermally excited vibrations. The model system the authors studied was Br₂O. They assumed the symmetric stretch and bend occurred at 250 and 245 cm⁻¹ in the linear structure, while the asymmetric stretch occurred at 800 cm⁻¹. These assumed frequencies were used to calculate force constants which were then assumed to be independent of the geometry of the molecule. No experimental data were referred to and no preferred structure was recommended. This article provided estimates of the vibrational frequencies as a function of bond angles.

Epiotis *et al.* [84EPI/LAR], using a MOVb theory, referred to Br₂O in a table but provided no information.

Allen *et al.* [87ALL/POL] studied the IR spectra of matrix isolated Br₂O and assigned ν₃ to be 623.4 cm⁻¹ and ν₁ to be 526.1 cm⁻¹. The authors referred to a bond angle of 113° or 87° based on the ν₃ isotopic shift information.

Levason *et al.* [90LEV/OGD] studied Br₂O (cr) by infrared and UV-VIS spectroscopy and bromine K-edge extended x-ray absorption fine structure (EXFAS). This is the first definitive structural analysis study for the bromine oxides (Br₂O₃ was definitively analyzed at a later date by others). The authors' results are consistent with the IR spectra of Br₂O obtained by Campbell *et al.* [68CAM/JON], the ¹⁸O results which demonstrated that solid Br₂O is molecular, and with experiments by Pascal [78PAS] who reported ν₁=506 cm⁻¹ and ν₃=592 cm⁻¹. The data were consistent with C_{2v} symmetry and a bond angle (Br-O-Br) of 112±2° and bond distance r(Br-O)=1.85 Å.

With the aid of *ab initio* calculations and an extended basis set, Novak [92NOV] calculated a C_{2v} geometry with r(Br-O)=1.80902 Å and a bond angle of 115.69°. This calculation yielded a shorter bond distance but a larger bond angle than the work of [90LEV/OGD] and was stated to be due to the exclusion of electron correlation in the calculation.

Jacox [84JAC], [90JAC], [94JAC], in her reviews, recom-

mended an a_1 symmetric stretch of 526.1 cm^{-1} (Ar) based on the studies by [78TEV/WAL, 87ALL/POL], and a ν_3 asymmetric stretch of 623.4 cm^{-1} (Ar) based on the work by [90LEV/OGD]. Jacox did not report a value for ν_2 .

Lee [95LEE], using *ab initio* techniques, calculated the equilibrium structure and harmonic vibrational frequencies of Br_2O . The results suggested a C_{2v} symmetry with a bond angle of 112.9° and a bond distance of 1.865 \AA .

Mueller and Cohen [95MUE/COH], from the microwave spectra of three isotopomers of BrOBr(g) , determined $r_0 = 1.8429\text{ \AA}$ and a bond angle of 112.24° . Their study implied $\nu_2 = 180 \pm 5\text{ cm}^{-1}$.

Novak [92NOV] estimated the enthalpy of formation, $\Delta_f H^\circ(\text{Br}_2\text{O}, 0\text{ K}) = 83 \pm 8\text{ kJ/mol}$ from a sum of bond enthalpies that were deduced from the data of H_2O and HOBr . The enthalpy of formation corresponds to $\Delta_{\text{at}} H^\circ(0\text{ K}) = 399.6\text{ kJ/mol}$ or an average bond dissociation energy of roughly 200 kJ/mol . The author did not specify the temperature; we assume $T/K = 0$.

Orlando and Burkholder [95ORL/BUR] recorded the UV/visible absorption spectra and observed maxima near 200 nm and 314 nm . They also determined the equilibrium constant for the reaction $\text{Br}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{HOBr}$, $K = 0.02$. Using auxiliary data, [95ORL/BUR] derived $\Delta_f H(\text{Br}_2\text{O}, 298\text{ K}) = 138\text{ kJ/mol}$.

Thorn *et al.* [95THO/MON] quoted the enthalpy of formation value derived by [95ORL/BUR] to encompass the range of $113\text{--}159\text{ kJ/mol}$. From a study of the photoionization efficiency spectrum of Br_2O , along with the ionization energy and the appearance energy of BrO^+ , the authors derived $\Delta_f H(\text{Br}_2\text{O}, 298\text{ K}) = 107.1\text{ kJ/mol}$ and $\Delta_f H(\text{Br}_2\text{O}, 0\text{ K}) = 124.1\text{ kJ/mol}$. The uncertainty was estimated to be $\pm 3.5\text{ kJ/mol}$.

Lee [95LEE], using the CCSD(T) electron correlation method in conjunction with the basis set of triple zeta double polarized (TZ2P) quality, calculated the enthalpy of formation of Br_2O . The author reported a value of 33 kcal/mol at 0 K (138 kJ/mol).

5.7. Br_2O (BrBrO)

There are no gas phase spectroscopic studies on this molecule. All experimental work is in the condensed phase: pure solid and isolated in an argon matrix. The reviews by Jacox [84JAC], [90JAC], [94JAC] summarized these structural and spectroscopic studies in which two of the three vibrations have been observed. The structure and vibrational frequencies of this molecule are summarized in Table 6.

There are numerous articles which provide specific spectroscopic information:

- (1) Reaction complex OBrBr follows the $\text{O} + \text{Br}_2$ reaction - [73DIX/PAR], [73PAR/HER]
- (2) Infrared spectra in an argon matrix [78TEV/WAL]
- (3) Structure in an argon matrix [80VEL/DUR], [82FER/SMI], [87LOE/AND]
- (4) Reactive scattering of oxygen atoms with chlorine molecules: observed results which are consistent with

OCICl with a $^3\Pi$ symmetry when colinear and $^3A''$ symmetry when bent. Browett *et al.* [81BRO/HOB] referred to the analogous O-X-X study as described by [78TEV/WAL] and [73PAR/HER]

- (5) The vibrational frequency information (ν_1 , ν_3) was reviewed by Jacox [84JAC], [90JAC], [94JAC] and was based on the data reported by [78TEV/WAL]
- (6) [93SCH/ABD] used Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) techniques to study BrBrO in an argon matrix; their observations supported the conclusions of Tevault *et al.* [78TEV/WAL]
- (7) Burdett *et al.* [84BUR/LAW], in a review, discussed the stability and spectroscopic properties of BrBrO but referred back to the work of [78TEV/WAL] as the only source of information
- (8) Lee [95LEE], using *ab initio* techniques, calculated the equilibrium structure and harmonic vibrational frequencies of BrBrO .

In examining cross beam experiments involving the collision of O atoms with bromine molecules, Parrish and co-workers [73DIX/PAR, 73PAR/HER] proposed the existence of an asymmetric OBrBr complex with the possibility of a rather substantial bond angle, 150° . However, neither of the two 1973 studies [73DIX/PAR, 73PAR/HER] provided definitive structural information. The kinetic studies suggested a triplet electronic ground state.

Tevault *et al.* [78TEV/WAL] studied the reaction of atomic and molecular bromine with atomic and molecular oxygen in argon matrices (photolysis of bromine and ozone containing matrices). Several bromine oxygen compounds were stated to have been formed and identified by infrared spectroscopy— BrO , OBrO , BrBrO , BrOBr , and $(\text{BrO})_2$. The authors observed the spectra of BrBrO in a photolyzed $\text{Ar-Br}_2\text{-O}_3$ matrix. The assignments were assumed to be $\nu_1 = 804\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (Br-O stretch), $\nu_3 = 236\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (Br-Br stretch) and the ν_2 value (the bending mode) was expected to be below 200 cm^{-1} .

Veltman *et al.* [80VEL/DUR] stated that reactive scattering results were consistent with the long-lived triplet of the OBrBr configuration suggested by [78TEV/WAL].

Fernie *et al.* [82FER/SMI] proposed the existence of a short-lived OBrBr collision complex with a bent configuration and $^3A''$ symmetry with a modest well of an E_0 approximately 110 kJ/mol .

Loewenstein and Anderson [87LOE/AND] proposed the existence of a long-lived intermediate of a cyclic BrBrO structure.

Jacox [84JAC], [90JAC], [94JAC], in her reviews, recommended an a' BrO stretch value, in argon matrix, of 804 cm^{-1} and a BrBr stretch value, in argon matrix, of 236 cm^{-1} , based on the study by [78TEV/WAL]. Lee [95LEE], using *ab initio* techniques, calculated an enthalpy of formation at 0 K of 47.4 kcal/mol (198.3 kJ/mol).

5.8. Br₂ [O₂]

This oxide has been proposed as an activated complex to aid in the description of kinetic processes. Although the majority of experimental studies which refer to Br₂O₂ were in aqueous solutions, there were some gas phase studies. In addition, there were two spectroscopic studies in which an absorption was attributed to Br₂O₂. Tevault *et al.* [78TEV/WAL] tentatively identified a molecule as (BrO)₂ through oxygen-18 isotopic enrichment experiments in argon matrices. They suggested that the most likely structures were an open chain such as OBr-BrO and BrOBrO. Mauldin *et al.* [93MAU/WAH], in their study of the self-reaction of the BrO radical, attributed an absorption structure to Br₂O₂, but assumed a Br-O-O-Br structure.

Epiolis *et al.* [84EPI/LAS] listed this species in tables (with many related molecules), but there were no structural data provided. The article implied that calculations could have been made on this species, but there was absolutely no mention of this species in their discussion.

The pertinent articles may be grouped as follows:

- Proposed intermediate in aqueous solution - [30BRA], [34SKR], [52EDW], [58SIG], [68BUK/DAI], [68EDW/GRE], [72FIE/KOR], [73SOK/DOR], [76HER/SCH], [78ROV/ZHA], [79NOS/BOD], [86THO]
- Proposed as intermediate in gas phase reaction systems - [70BRO/BUR], [70CLY/CRU], [80JAF/MAI], [81SAN/WAT], [83BUT/MOR], [86SAN], [90TUR/BIR], [93MAU/WAH]
- Proposed structure - [30BRA]: BrOOBr or OBrBrO (possible)
[52EDW]: Donor-acceptor intermediate BrBrO₂
[66SPR/PIM]: Calculation, BrOOBr (staggered or trapezoidal)
[68EDW/GRE]: BrBrO₂
[70CLY/CRU]: Symmetric planar bent BrOOBr (120°)
[73SOK/DOR]: BrOOBr
[78TEV/WAL]: Possibly OBr-BrO or BrOBrO
[80JAF/MAI]: Possibly staggered or trapezoidal (Br-O-O-Br)
[81SAN/WAT]: Trapezoidal (Br-O-O-Br)
[86THO]: BrOOBr
[90TUR/BIR]: BrOOBr
[93MAU/WAH]: BrOOBr
- Spectroscopy - [78TEV/WAL], [93MAU/WAH]

5.9. Br₂O₃ (OBrOBrO)

The citations listed in the bibliography for Br₂O₃ can be classified as follows:

- Dissertations (full copy not available at this time) - [66CAM], [78PAS], [83ALL]
- Formation with crystal characterization -

[74PAS/PAV], [76PAS/PAV], [77PAS/PAV], [94LEO/SEP]

- Comment/formation without characterization - [87ALL/POL]
- Patent (lubricants) - [84STE]

The status of the characterization of solid Br₂O₃ is best summarized by statements provided by Allen *et al.* [87ALL/POL]: "There has also been considerable work on the vibrational spectra of the solid higher oxides of bromine (Br₂O₃, Br₂O₄), but structural conclusions had to be somewhat tentative." Pascal *et al.* [74PAS/PAV] prepared Br₂O₃ by the thermal decomposition of Br₂O₄. The authors stated that the vibrational spectrum of Br₂O₃ shows the presence of a BrOBr bond, but that it was not possible to distinguish between structural possibilities: OBrOBrO and BrOBrO₂. Chemical analysis established the stoichiometry. Br₂O₃ was said to be a stable intermediate in the decomposition of Br₂O₄ to Br₂O. A subsequent study [76PAS/PAV], using Raman spectra, indicated that the structure was OBrOBrO. At a conference, these same authors [77PAS/PAV] summarized their work by discussing the synthesis of the two isomers of Br₂O₄, Br₂O₃, and Br₂O in a Raman tube and the spectra obtained at 93 K. The stepwise decomposition of Br₂O₄ to Br₂O was presented and vibrational frequencies assigned. In summary, analysis of the vibrational spectra of the crystalline phase by Pascal *et al.* [76PAS/PAV, 77PAS/PAV] of the various possible isomers of Br₂O₃ and Br₂O₄, suggested that Br₂O₃ has the structure (OBrOBrO) and that the two Br₂O₄ isomers have the structure (O₂BrBrO₂) and (O₂BrOBrO).

Leopold and Seppelt [94LEO/SEP] stated that because of the similarity of Raman spectra, the Br₂O₃ identified by [74PAS/PAV] is probably identical with the Br₂O₃ investigated by the crystal structure analysis of [93KUS/SEP] (see Sec. 5.10).

Allen *et al.* [87ALL/POL] studied the condensation of O₃/Ar and Br₂/Ar mixtures. The IR spectrum was interpreted to suggest the formation of a Br₂/O₃ complex. However, the structure could not be unambiguously determined.

5.10. BrOBrO₂ (Br⁺BrO₃⁻)

Kuschel and Seppelt [93KUS/SEP, 93STI] prepared Br₂O₃ by the reaction of bromine with ozone at -50 to -60 °C. The authors stated that other workers used this same reaction 35 years ago but, in contrast, characterized the product as BrO₂; the identification may have been based on impure material. Kuschel and Seppelt deduced the structure of the crystal (bond distances and bond angles) by the use of the EXAFS-method (extended x-ray absorption fine structure) and the Raman spectra.

The authors compared the structural data of their Br⁺BrO₃⁻ with that described by [92GIL/LEV] for BrBrO₄. The comparison suggested that these products may have been the same. Thus, there is some question raised as to the existence of BrBrO₄.

5.11. Br₂O₄ (O₂BrBrO₂)

There is no gas phase or thermodynamic information on this molecule, however, some crystalline data (structure and vibrational frequencies) are available. Of the eight articles, the studies can be grouped as follows:

1. Formation and characterization -
[73PAS/POT], [74PAS/PAV], [76PAS/PAV],
[77PAS/PAV], [87ALL/POL], [94LEO/SEP]
2. Intermediate in solution -
[80FOE/LAN], [83FIE/RAG], [91SZA/WOJ].

Pascal and Potier [73PAS/POT] interpreted the Raman spectrum of the BrO₂ crystalline form (-180 °C) in terms of a dimeric structure with a Br-Br bond. They specifically ruled out a chain or ring structure with bridging oxygen atoms. Tentative assignments were made for some of the observed frequencies. In a subsequent study [74PAS/PAV] of the vibrational spectra of Br₂O₃, the authors discussed the corresponding spectra of Br₂O₄ and suggested the structure to be O₂BrBrO₂. In studying the reaction between ozone and Br₂O₃, Pascal *et al.* [76PAS/PAV, 77PAS/PAV] observed two isomers of Br₂O₄. The asymmetric isomer [O₂BrOBrO], was not isolated and rapidly transformed to the symmetric isomer [O₂BrBrO₂]. An analysis of the vibrational spectra of the various possible isomers of Br₂O₃ and Br₂O₄ suggested that Br₂O₃ has the structure (OBrOBrO) and that the two Br₂O₄ isomers have the structure (O₂BrBrO₂) and (O₂BrOBrO). Some tentative spectral assignments have been made. [94LEO/SEP] questioned the existence of this compound.

Allen *et al.* [87ALL/POL] mentioned the formation and characterization of Br₂O₄ but did not perform any additional work on this species.

The dimerization of BrO₂ to Br₂O₄ was proposed to explain aqueous reaction kinetics:

- (1) The Belousov-Zhabotinsky-system-(HBrO₂)/BrO₃⁻ reaction [80FOE/LAN],
- (2) The pulse radiolysis of the bromine dioxide radical and hexacyanoferrate (4-), manganese (II), phenoxide ion, or phenol [83FIE/RAG], and
- (3) The pulse radiolysis of the hexacyanoferrate (II)-bromate cyanide system in aqueous ethylene glycol [91SZA/WOJ].

5.12. O₂BrOBrO

There is no gas phase or thermodynamic information on this molecule, however, some crystalline data (structure and vibrational frequencies) are available. All three articles can be classified as formation and characterization: [74PAS/PAV], [76PAS/PAV] and [77PAS/PAV].

In attempting to study Br₂O, Pascal *et al.* have examined the decomposition of Br₂O₄ and the formation of an intermediate Br₂O₃. In the analysis of the vibrational spectra of Br₂O₃, [74PAS/PAV] discussed the corresponding spectra of Br₂O₄ and suggested the structure to be O₂BrBrO₂. Subsequent studies by Pascal *et al.* [76PAS/PAV, 77PAS/PAV]

prepared two isomers of Br₂O₄. These authors observed a slow reaction between ozone and Br₂O₃. The asymmetric isomer [O₂BrOBrO] formed was not isolated and rapidly transformed to the symmetric isomer [O₂BrBrO₂]. An analysis of the vibrational spectra of the various possible isomers of Br₂O₃ and Br₂O₄ suggested that Br₂O₃ has the structure (OBrOBrO) and that the two Br₂O₄ isomers have the structure (O₂BrBrO₂) and (O₂BrOBrO). Some tentative spectral assignments have been made. [94LEO/SEP] questioned the existence of this compound.

5.13. BrBrO₄

Gilson *et al.* [92GIL/LEV] discussed the formation of BrBrO₄ by passing a mixture of bromine and oxygen through a discharge tube. The authors were surprised that with the hydrolysis of the yellow solid, BrO₄⁻ was identified in the solution. Bromine K-edge EXFAS data on this solid detected vibrations which were assignable to a Br-O-Br bridge. This is in contrast to the results of [73PAS/POT]. Three distinct shells were observed corresponding to terminal Br-O, bridging Br-O, and nonbonded Br-Br distances at 1.61(2), 1.86(2), and 3.05(3) Å respectively, concomitant with the proposed structure. A Br-O-Br bridging angle of 110 ± 3° was calculated by triangulation. [94LEO/SEP] supported the existence of this isomer.

5.14. Br₂O₅

Of the 13 articles, the studies can be classified as follows:

1. Patent (cellulose esterification) -
[47PRA]
2. Preparation -
[39SCH/WIE], [58ARV/AYM], [59ARV/AYM],
[59PFL], [59SCH]
3. Review -
[63SCH/BRA]
4. Formation with characterization -
[76PAS/PAV2], [77PAS/PAV], [94LEO/SEP]
5. Misclassified (really deal with BrO) -
[88BAR/BOT] and [88COS/TEN], and
6. Archeology/vitrified slag (uncharacterized) -
[88FLE/SWA] and [90HAR/WHI].

Arvia *et al.* [58ARV/AYM, 59ARV/AYM] studied the thermal reaction between bromine and ozone. Under different conditions, they observed Br₂O₅ and Br₃O₈. The authors specifically stated that BrO₃ or Br₂O₆ was not observed, contrary to the result of Pflugmacher. Pflugmacher [59PFL] and Schumacher [59SCH] responded to this article and further discussed possible interpretations of the results. These studies do not conclusively suggest the existence of Br₂O₅.

Pascal *et al.* [76PAS/PAV2] recorded the Raman spectra of the white solid Br₂O₅. The authors deduced that the structure (O₂BrOBrO₂) was a symmetric, polymeric structure similar to I₂O₅. Comparison of the observed Raman spectra with that known for the ions bromite, bromate and perbromate resulted in the identification of vibrations which were

attributed to a bromine-terminal oxygen and a -bridging oxygen. Additional assignments were presented by the authors to justify their selection of the structure. In a later study, [77PAS/PAV] suggested that in the reaction of ozone with bromine, whenever Br_2O_5 was formed, it was always mixed with Br_2O_3 or Br_2O_4 . The authors continued to propose a polymeric structure (for Br_2O_5) analogous to that of I_2O_5 .

Leopold and Seppelt [94LEO/SEP] presented a crystal structure analysis which characterized Br_2O_5 which crystallized with three molecule propionitrile. The structure was depicted as $\text{O}_2\text{BrOBrO}_2$. The Raman spectra of solvate-free Br_2O_5 was in agreement with this structure. The Raman spectra determined by [94LEO/SEP] differs from that by [76PAS/PAV2].

5.15. Br_2O_6

The available information does not conclusively confirm the existence of Br_2O_6 . The nine articles listed in the bibliography refer to the preparation of the condensed phase oxide Br_2O_6 (or BrO_3). All articles involved the reaction of ozone with bromine, except Mungen and Spinks [40MUN/SPI] who were actually investigating the decomposition of ozone. No property data have been reported. There is no gas phase information.

Schwarz and Wiele [38SCH/WIE] studied the thermal decomposition of BrO_2 . In addition to the formation of the elements, the authors also detected a white oxide which they presumed was Br_2O_7 or Br_2O_6 and a dark-brown oxide, Br_2O . Schwarz and Wiele [39SCH/WIE] continued their study of the thermal decomposition of BrO_2 . Their study showed that BrO_2 is completely stable at -40°C , but that decomposition can be detected manometrically. BrO_2 sublimes with extensive decomposition, melting in dry air at approximately -17.5°C . Br_2O is stable at -40°C . Again Br_2O_7 was suggested as one of the decomposition products of BrO_2 .

Pflugmacher *et al.* [55PFL, 55PFL/RAB], in studying the reaction of Br_2 and O_2 in a glow discharge, stated that the product was BrO_3 (or Br_2O_6) but did not isolate the compound.

Arvia *et al.* [59ARV/AYM, 59ARV/AYM] studied the thermal reaction between bromine and ozone. Under different conditions, they observed Br_2O_5 and Br_3O_8 . The authors specifically stated that BrO_3 or Br_2O_6 was not observed, contrary to the result of Pflugmacher. Pflugmacher [59PFL] and Schumacher [59SCH] responded to this article and further discussed possible interpretations of the results. Refer to Sec. 5.4 on BrO_3 for additional information.

5.16. Br_2O_7

Although two articles allude to the formation of the heptoxide [38SCH/WIE, 39SCH/WIE], no definitive information is available to confirm its existence. At this time, we assume that such an oxide does not exist, as suggested by [55PFL, 55PFL/RAB].

Schwarz and Wiele [38SCH/WIE] studied the thermal de-

composition of BrO_2 . In addition to the formation of the elements, the authors also detected a white oxide which they presumed was Br_2O_7 or Br_2O_6 and a dark-brown oxide, Br_2O . Schwarz and Wiele [39SCH/WIE] continued their study of the thermal decomposition of BrO_2 . Their study showed that BrO_2 is completely stable at -40°C , but that decomposition can be detected manometrically. BrO_2 sublimes with extensive decomposition (to Br_2), melting in dry air at approximately -17.5°C . Br_2O is stable at -40°C . Again Br_2O_7 was suggested as one of the intermediate decomposition products of BrO_2 . According to Pflugmacher [55 PFL, 55PFL/RAB], Br_2O_7 probably did not exist.

5.17. Br_3O_8

There are numerous pre-1960 studies which mention the preparation of a presumed condensed phase oxide with the composition Br_3O_8 . Although 28LEW/SCH, 29LEW/SCH, 29LEW/SCH2, and 30LEW/SCH discussed the preparation of this oxide, 55PFL, 55PFL/RAB, 58ARV/AYM, and 59ARV/AYM repeated the procedure and determined that the product was BrO_3 (or Br_2O_6) not Br_3O_8 . No property information is available. Based on existing information, there is no conclusive evidence that this compound exists.

Of the articles published since 1975 and indexed (by CAS) to this oxide, only three (of which two are both patents) may deal with Br_3O_8 . The other four, in fact, deal with BrO in the stratosphere and troposphere, and are misclassified.

All citations can be grouped into five categories.

1. Patent -
[90JOO] and [91BEN/GER]
2. Misclassified as Br_3O_8 (really BrO) -
[89BRU/AND], [89CAR/SAN], [90BOT/BAR], and [91MOU/JAK]
3. Review -
[34BRA], [60GEO], [63SCH/BRA]
4. Formation/preparation/decomposition -
[28LEW/SCH], [29LEW/SCH], [29LEW/SCH2], [30LEW/SCH], [55PFL], [55PFL/RAB], [58ARV/AYM], [59ARV/AYM], [59PFL], [59SCH], [74SOL/KEI]
5. Sensitized decomposition of ozone -
[31LEW/FEI], [31SPI], [40MUN/SPI].
6. Reaction -
[90BIG/BRO]

When Lewis and Schumacher [28LEW/SCH] allowed bromine and ozone to mix in a flask (no temperature was specified), a white deposit appeared on the walls on the flask. This solid was thought to be an oxide of bromine, later described as Br_3O_8 . Shortly after the formation of the solid, an explosion destroyed the apparatus. In subsequent work by Lewis and Schumacher [29LEW/SCH] at low temperatures, -5 to 10°C , an oxide of bromine was formed which had the composition Br_3O_8 and existed in two crystalline modifica-

tions. Two subsequent studies by the same authors [29LEW/SCH, 29LEW/SCH2] examined the thermal reaction in more detail to observe the formation and the rate of decomposition. The transition temperature between the two presumed crystalline forms was determined to be -35 ± 3 °C. The thermal reaction between bromine and ozone was studied again in 1930 [30LEW/SCH] to determine the kinetics of decomposition.

In a review article, Brady [34BRA] mentioned that the method used by Lewis and Schumacher [29LEW/SCH] to obtain Br_3O_8 , was used by Zintl and Rienacker [30ZIN/RIE] for the preparation of Br_2O [refer to the Br_2O discussion for these references]. The implication is that Br_3O_8 is not a pure, single compound.

Arvia *et al.* [58ARV/AYM, 59ARV/AYM] studied the thermal reaction between bromine and ozone. Under different conditions, they observed Br_2O_5 and Br_3O_8 . The authors specifically stated that BrO_3 or Br_2O_6 was not observed, contrary to the result of Pflugmacher. Pflugmacher [59PFL] Schumacher [59SCH] responded to this article and further discussed possible interpretations of the results.

In the 1960 review by George [60GEO], the author stated that the proposal of a BrO_3 oxide raises doubt about the authenticity of Br_3O_8 .

The 1963 review by Schmeisser and Brandle [63SCH/BRA] discussed the numerous experimental studies which led to the presumed formation of Br_3O_8 . The authors also referred to other related studies which stated the product really was Br_2O_5 . It appears that the reaction of bromine with ozone can lead to a mixture of different bromine oxides. In addition, part of the problem may lie in the precise characterization of the products.

6. NIST JANAF Thermochemical Tables

NIST-JANAF Thermochemical Tables for $\text{BrO}(\text{g})$ (Sec. 6.1), $\text{OBrO}(\text{g})$ (Sec. 6.2), $\text{BrOO}(\text{g})$ (Sec. 6.3), $\text{BrO}_3(\text{g})$ (Sec. 6.4), $\text{BrOBr}(\text{g})$ (Sec. 6.5), and $\text{BrBrO}(\text{g})$ (Sec. 6.6) are presented on the following pages.

Br₂O(g)

Bromine Oxide (BrO)

M_r = 95.9034

Ideal Gas

Bromine Oxide (BrO)

$D_0^0 = 19332 \pm 200 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
 $S^0(298.15 \text{ K}) = 212.97 \pm 0.1 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
 $\Delta_f H^0(0 \text{ K}) = [133.3 \pm 2.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}]$
 $\Delta_f H^0(298.15 \text{ K}) = [123.8 \pm 2.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}]$

State	T_e	g_e	ω_e	$\omega_e x_e$	$\omega_e y_e$	B_e	$D_e \cdot 10^8$	$r_e / \text{\AA}$
X ² H _{1/2}	0	2	727.05	4.932	—	0.4299	0.594	1.717
X ² H _{3/2}	968	2	727.05	4.932	—	0.4299	0.594	1.717
A ¹ H _{1/2}	27871	2	311.3	4.83	-0.074	0.314	0.474	1.95
A ¹ H _{3/2}	[29321]	2	311.3	4.8	-0.074	0.0034	0.474	1.95

Point Group: C_{2v}, $\sigma = 1$

Enthalpy of Formation

The two existing spectroscopic studies by Coleman and Gaydon¹ and Durie and Ramsay² yield dissociation energy values for BrO(g). One should note, with respect to those studies, that the first bound excited state A¹H_{1/2} of BrO(g) dissociates to Br(P_{3/2}) + O(³D₂). A linear Birge-Sponer extrapolation of the Coleman and Gaydon¹ data gave 17800 cm⁻¹ or 213.2 kJ mol⁻¹ for the ground state dissociation energy. Assuming the extrapolation was high by up to 20%, they recommended 1.75 ± 0.3 eV or 170 ± 29 kJ mol⁻¹. Durie and Ramsay² from a graphical Birge-Sponer extrapolation, calculated a dissociation energy of $D_0^0 = 19332 \pm 200 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ or 231.6 ± 2.4 kJ mol⁻¹. The latter value leads to the present adopted value for $\Delta_f H^0(298.15 \text{ K})$ for BrO(g) of $123.8 \pm 2.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$. Additional data needed for the calculations presented here, e.g. thermal functions for the Br(g), and Br₂(ref), and O₂(ref), are taken from the JANAF Thermochemical Tables.³

Heat Capacity and Entropy

The spectroscopic results tabulated above are for the ⁷⁹Br-¹⁶O isotopomer. Isotopic relationships⁴ are used to convert the above constants to those for the normally occurring, i.e. natural abundance, species. The latter values are then used in the calculation of the thermal functions. Only the X and Z states are included in the calculation of the thermal functions; a sum-over-states technique is used. Values of ω_e and $\omega_e x_e$ given in the table above for the ground state are from Butler *et al.*,⁵ while those for the first excited state are from Barnett *et al.*⁶. These values in fact described an average ν_1 state; there are differences in the vibrational constants for the X²H_{1/2} and X²H_{3/2} states but they are not considered in this calculation. The B_e value for the ground state is from Annano *et al.*⁷. The internuclear distance and value for B_e for the A state are from Barnett *et al.*⁶. The value of D_0^0 for the excited state was estimated. Barnett *et al.*⁶ gave a dissociation energy of 8960 cm⁻¹ for the A state which is used in conjunction with T_e to provide an energy cutoff from the sum-over-states calculation on the excited state.

Previously, the value of the spin orbit constant, A_e , for the inverted doublet X²H_{1/2} ground state adopted by Huber and Herzberg⁸ was an average based on two values derived from the EPR spectra studies; $A_e = -815 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ of Carrington *et al.*⁹ and $A_e = -980 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ of Brown *et al.*¹⁰. The recent measured value of McKellar,¹¹ $A_e = -968 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, for the spin-orbit splitting of the ground state is adopted here. For ClO the spin-orbit splitting for the A state is approximately 1.5 times the value found for the ground state.¹² Using the same factor of 1.5, the spin-orbit splitting for the A state in BrO is estimated to be 1450 cm⁻¹.

Numerous excited states have been estimated by Monks *et al.*¹³ and observed by Duignan and Hudgens.¹⁴ These states are not fully characterized in terms of vibrational and rotational constants and do not contribute significantly to the thermal functions below 6000 K.

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T/K	Enthalpy Reference Temperature = T _r = 298.15 K		Standard State Pressure = p ^o = 0.1 MPa		log K _c
	C _p ^o	S ^o - [G ^o - F(T _r)]/T	H ^o - H(T _r)	ΔH ^o	
0	0.0	INFINITE	-9.061	133.305	INFINITE
50	29.103	199.534	-7.615	133.611	-134.918
100	29.139	195.511	-6.159	133.858	-65.169
150	29.592	211.388	-4.694	132.942	-41.980
200	30.805	230.985	-3.187	126.555	-30.427
250	32.493	227.101	-1.606	113.859	-23.523
298.15	34.182	232.970	0.000	125.770	-19.198
300	34.244	233.182	0.063	125.756	-19.062
400	37.062	243.447	3.638	107.200	-13.999
500	38.719	251.915	7.436	111.008	-11.105
600	39.525	259.055	11.354	111.486	-9.169
700	39.839	265.176	15.325	112.405	-7.780
800	39.901	270.502	19.313	112.455	-6.733
900	39.846	275.199	23.301	112.808	-5.916
1000	39.746	279.392	27.281	113.170	-5.261
1100	39.634	283.175	31.250	113.493	-4.722
1200	39.528	286.619	35.208	113.780	-4.273
1300	39.437	289.779	39.156	114.036	-3.891
1400	39.351	292.716	43.096	114.266	-3.569
1500	39.301	295.472	47.029	114.467	-3.279
1600	39.256	298.089	50.957	114.647	-3.030
1700	39.225	300.581	54.884	114.801	-2.810
1800	39.210	302.968	58.802	114.942	-2.614
1900	39.194	305.267	62.722	115.057	-2.438
2000	39.189	307.497	66.641	115.153	-2.280
2100	39.189	309.669	70.560	115.226	-2.136
2200	39.189	311.783	74.479	115.279	-2.006
2300	39.188	313.842	78.398	115.310	-1.887
2400	39.182	315.844	82.316	115.318	-1.778
2500	39.168	317.791	86.234	115.303	-1.678
2600	39.145	319.677	90.150	115.264	-1.585
2700	39.114	321.504	94.062	115.201	-1.499
2800	39.086	323.275	97.971	115.112	-1.420
2900	39.061	325.000	101.876	115.000	-1.347
3000	39.035	326.686	105.770	114.868	-1.277
3100	39.017	328.340	109.656	114.690	-1.212
3200	39.000	330.000	113.530	114.480	-1.150
3300	38.988	331.660	117.396	114.270	-1.095
3400	38.981	333.320	121.245	114.078	-1.042
3500	38.971	335.000	125.079	113.875	-0.992
3600	38.968	336.686	128.895	113.653	-0.945
3700	38.971	338.350	132.692	113.424	-0.900
3800	38.971	340.000	136.469	113.180	-0.859
3900	38.979	341.643	140.224	112.929	-0.819
4000	38.990	343.283	143.956	112.663	-0.781
4100	38.993	344.919	147.665	112.389	-0.746
4200	38.993	346.556	151.349	112.107	-0.712
4300	38.993	348.192	155.007	111.818	-0.680
4400	38.991	349.827	158.639	111.525	-0.650
4500	38.984	351.462	162.245	111.229	-0.621
4600	38.974	353.097	165.824	110.929	-0.593
4700	38.962	354.732	169.376	110.626	-0.567
4800	38.948	356.367	172.901	110.320	-0.541
4900	38.933	358.002	176.397	110.011	-0.518
5000	38.918	359.637	179.867	109.703	-0.495
5100	38.901	361.272	183.310	109.394	-0.473
5200	38.884	362.907	186.724	109.084	-0.452
5300	38.866	364.542	190.114	108.775	-0.433
5400	38.848	366.177	193.476	108.468	-0.414
5500	38.830	367.812	196.813	108.163	-0.396
5600	38.812	369.447	200.123	107.860	-0.378
5700	38.794	371.082	203.408	107.559	-0.361
5800	38.776	372.717	206.668	107.260	-0.346
5900	38.758	374.352	209.903	106.963	-0.330
6000	38.740	375.987	213.115	106.668	-0.316

CURRENT: March 1996 (1 barb)

PREVIOUS

Br₂O(g)

Bromine Oxide (BrO)

Br₂O₂(g)

Bromine oxide (OBRO)

M_r = 111.9028

Bromine Oxide (OBRO)

T/K	C _p ^o	S ^o - (G ^o - F(T))/RT	H ^o - H(T)	ΔH ^o	ΔG ^o	log K _r
0	0.000	INFINITE	INFINITE	161.500	161.500	INFINITE
50	33.399	204.579	378.671	161.500	161.500	-82.431
100	35.309	208.578	388.078	161.500	161.500	-82.431
150	37.093	212.726	393.956	156.536	156.536	-40.651
200	40.539	218.003	403.111	155.649	155.649	-32.364
250	43.088	223.324	411.846	158.236	158.236	-27.152
298.15	45.364	227.112	418.984	151.957	154.979	-26.988
300	45.446	227.393	419.113	151.916	154.908	-26.988
400	49.171	245.010	472.944	136.447	159.211	-20.791
500	51.674	256.270	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
600	53.335	263.626	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
700	54.463	268.969	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
800	55.253	272.487	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
900	55.823	275.111	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1000	56.246	276.960	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1100	56.567	277.341	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1200	56.817	277.487	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1300	57.013	277.487	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1400	57.172	277.341	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1500	57.301	276.960	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1600	57.407	276.341	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1700	57.495	275.487	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1800	57.570	274.487	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
1900	57.634	273.341	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2000	57.688	272.053	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2100	57.735	270.654	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2200	57.776	269.158	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2300	57.813	267.574	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2400	57.845	265.926	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2500	57.871	264.240	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2600	57.896	262.544	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2700	57.918	260.854	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2800	57.937	259.172	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
2900	57.955	257.515	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3000	57.971	255.890	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3100	57.986	254.305	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3200	57.999	252.766	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3300	58.011	251.270	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3400	58.022	249.814	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3500	58.032	248.400	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3600	58.041	247.026	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3700	58.050	245.692	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3800	58.058	244.400	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
3900	58.065	243.150	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4000	58.072	241.940	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4100	58.078	240.770	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4200	58.084	239.640	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4300	58.089	238.550	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4400	58.094	237.500	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4500	58.099	236.490	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4600	58.103	235.520	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4700	58.107	234.600	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4800	58.111	233.720	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
4900	58.115	232.880	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5000	58.118	232.080	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5100	58.121	231.320	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5200	58.125	230.600	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5300	58.129	229.920	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5400	58.133	229.280	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5500	58.137	228.680	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5600	58.141	228.120	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5700	58.145	227.600	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5800	58.149	227.120	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
5900	58.153	226.680	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226
6000	58.157	226.280	482.647	136.594	164.888	-17.226

ΔH^o(0 K) = [161.5 ± 25] kJ mol⁻¹
 ΔH^o(298.15 K) = [152.0 ± 25] kJ mol⁻¹

Electronic Level and Quantum Weight	g _i
State	g _i
X ¹ B ₁	600
Vibrational Frequencies and Degeneracies	
ν ₁ (cm ⁻¹)	
800 (1)	
300 (1)	
852 (1)	

Point Group: C_{2v}
 Bond Distances: Br-O = 1.649 Å
 Bond Angle: O-Br-O = 114.4°
 Product of the Moments of Inertia: I_{AB}C = 409.0844 × 10⁻¹¹⁷ g³ cm⁶

α = 2

Enthalpy of Formation

For the series OXO(g) where X = F, Cl, Br, I, there is only reliable experimental data for OClO(g). Assuming that the values ΔH^o(OXO(g)) and D(O-X) are reasonable, we adopt the ratio of the numbers (-1.94) to apply for a similar relationship between BrO(g) and OBrO(g). Thus we calculate ΔH^o(BrO(g)) = 450 ± 25 kJ mol⁻¹. Cottrill¹ reported D(O-BrO) = 70 ± 10 kcal mol⁻¹, and a D(BrO) = 2.25 eV or 52 kcal mol⁻¹. This value was based on the enthalpy of formation of BrO₂(g) reported by Pflugmacher *et al.*² and a D(BrO) = 2.25 eV or 52 kcal mol⁻¹. Cottrill expressed doubt as to the validity of this value based on comparison with ClO₂. The enthalpy of dissociation reported by Vedenev *et al.*³ was ΔH^o(298 K) = 70 kcal mol⁻¹ for the reaction BrO₂ → BrO + O. This is an estimated value based on the work by Cottrill (1954) although a different temperature was given. In contrast, Hite and Laszlo⁴ have estimated the enthalpy of formation of OBrO(g) in the following manner. According to Stanbury,⁵ the enthalpy of formation of OBrO in the gas phase can be estimated by assuming that the difference in the ΔG for Cl₂ and ClO₂(g) also applies for the bromine species. Using a value of 2.9 kJ mol⁻¹ recommended by Wagman *et al.*⁶ as this difference and ΔG(BrO₂, g) = 144.0 kJ mol⁻¹, we obtain ΔG^o = 146.9 kJ mol⁻¹ for OBrO(g) and ΔH^o = 122.5 kJ mol⁻¹. In comparison D(BrO) = 231.6 kJ mol⁻¹.

Heat Capacity and Entropy

Mueller *et al.*⁷ have measured the microwave spectra of OBrO(g). Preliminary analysis of the data suggested a bent structure (C_{2v} = 1.649 Å and s(OBrO) = 114.4°). This structure is adopted and is consistent with the expected trends in the corresponding chloric and iodine oxide molecules. The principal moments of inertia (in g cm²) are: I_A = 3.0275 × 10⁻⁴⁰, I_B = 10.2087 × 10⁻⁴⁰, and I_C = 13.2361 × 10⁻⁴⁰. In support of this study, Byberg and Spangør-Larsen⁸ used modified extended Huckel theory to calculate nuclear quadrupole coupling constants for a series of oxygen halogen compounds. The comparison of calculated values with observed values helped confirm the geometry of BrO₂; C_{2v} symmetry with a bond length of 1.625 Å and a bond angle of 117.6°. This geometry was assumed to be similar to that of ClO₂, consistent for a series of oxygen halogen compounds. The comparison of calculated values with observed values helped confirm the geometry of BrO₂; C_{2v} symmetry with a bond length of 1.625 Å and a bond angle of 117.6°. This geometry was assumed to be similar to that of ClO₂, consistent for a series of oxygen halogen compounds.

Tevault *et al.*⁹ observed the infrared spectra of BrO₂ in a solid argon matrix. Assuming the proper identification of the antisymmetric stretching ν₃ to be 852 cm⁻¹, the apex angle was calculated to be 110 ± 2°. This was close to the value observed for the analogues isolated ClO₂. The recommended vibrational frequency (ν₃) is that suggested by Jacox.¹⁰ This data is based on the infrared spectra of the argon matrix isolated radical as studied by Tevault *et al.*⁹ Preliminary microwave studies by Mueller *et al.*⁷ suggested an approximate value for ν₃ (300 cm⁻¹). The unobserved vibrational frequency (ν₂) is estimated from those which describe the oxygen halogen oxide molecules.¹¹ Maier and Bodnar,¹² using flash photolysis, trapped OBrO in a matrix and measured ν₁ and ν₂ for two isotopes. Their values for ν₁ are within a few wave numbers of the values derived by Tevault *et al.*⁹ ν₁ values are of the order of 791-759 cm⁻¹, depending on the concentration of the pyrolyzed mixture (Br₂O₂/Ar).

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PREVIOUS:

Bromine oxide (OBRO)

Br₂O₂(g)

CURRENT: March 1996 (I bar)

Br₂O₂(g)

Bromine Oxide (BrOO)

M_r = 111.9028

Ideal Gas

Bromodioxo (BrOO)

T/K	C _p ^o	S ^o	H ^o - H ^o (T)	ΔH ^o	ΔC _p ^o	log K _r
Enthalpy Reference Temperature = T _r = 298.15 K						
J·K ⁻¹ ·mol ⁻¹ J·K ⁻¹ ·mol ⁻¹ J·K ⁻¹ ·mol ⁻¹ J·K ⁻¹ ·mol ⁻¹ J·K ⁻¹ ·mol ⁻¹ J·K ⁻¹ ·mol ⁻¹ J·K ⁻¹ ·mol ⁻¹						
INFINITE						
0	0.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
50	35.382	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
100	41.818	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
150	45.376	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
200	46.857	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
250	47.582	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
298.15	48.875	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
300	48.901	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
350	50.265	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
400	51.707	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
450	53.219	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
500	54.801	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
550	56.452	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
600	58.172	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
650	60.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
700	62.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
750	64.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
800	66.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
850	69.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
900	72.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
950	75.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1000	78.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1050	81.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1100	85.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1150	89.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1200	93.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1250	97.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1300	101.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1350	106.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1400	111.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1450	116.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1500	121.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1550	126.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1600	132.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1650	138.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1700	144.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1750	150.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1800	156.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1850	163.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1900	170.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
1950	177.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2000	184.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2050	191.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2100	199.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2150	207.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2200	215.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2250	223.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2300	231.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2350	240.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2400	249.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2450	258.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2500	267.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2550	276.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2600	286.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2650	296.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2700	306.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2750	316.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2800	326.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2850	337.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2900	348.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
2950	359.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
3000	370.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
3050	381.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
3100	393.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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3450	480.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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3850	591.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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3950	621.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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4050	651.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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4200	699.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
4250	715.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
4300	731.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
4350	748.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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4450	782.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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4550	816.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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4650	852.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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4850	925.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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4950	963.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5000	982.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5050	1001.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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5150	1041.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5200	1061.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
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5600	1228.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5650	1250.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5700	1272.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5750	1294.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5800	1316.600	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5850	1339.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5900	1362.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
5950	1385.000	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE
6000	1408.200	212.021	438.344	116.087	116.087	INFINITE

CURRENT: March 1996 (1 bar)

Br₂O₂(g)

Bromine Oxide (BrOO)

PREVIOUS:

$\Delta_f H^\circ(0 \text{ K}) = [116.1 \pm 40] \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$
 $\Delta_f H^\circ(298.15 \text{ K}) = [108.0 \pm 40] \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$

Electronic Level and Quantum State	Weight
0.0	[2]

Vibrational Frequencies and Degeneracies

1487 (1)
[250] (1)
[160] (1)

Point Group: C_{2v}

Bond Distances: Br-O = [120] Å; O-O = [125] Å

Bond Angle: Br-O-O = [115]°

BrO₃(g)Bromine oxide (BrO₃)M_r = 127.9022

$$\Delta_f H^\circ(0 \text{ K}) = [233 \pm 50] \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta_f H^\circ(298.15 \text{ K}) = [221 \pm 50] \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

Ideal Gas

$$\Delta_f H^\circ(298.15 \text{ K}) = [625 \pm 50] \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$S^\circ(298.15 \text{ K}) = [284.5 \pm 2] \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

Bromine Oxide (BrO₃)

Electronic level and Quantum state	Weight g_i
[Σ_u^+]	[2]

Vibrational Frequencies and Degeneracies	ν , cm ⁻¹
[442](1)	
[800](1)	
[350](2)	
[828](2)	

$$\sigma = 3$$

Point Group: C_{3v}

Bond Distance: Br-O = 1.68 Å

Bond Angle: O-Br-O = 109°

Product of the Moments of Inertia: I_AI_BI_C = 2198.7927 × 10⁻¹⁷ g cm⁶

Enthalpy of Formation

We adopt an enthalpy of formation value which is based on an assumed relationship of $\Delta_f H^\circ(\text{BrO}_3\text{g})/3=0.92\%(\text{BrO})$. An enthalpy of formation value (at 298.15 K) has been reported by Farkas and Klein.¹ This value, 23 kcal mol⁻¹ (96 kJ mol⁻¹), was derived from absorption spectra measurements of bromate ions in solutions. There is considerable uncertainty in this value, both in terms of the experimental measurements and the fact that the authors have interchanged BrO₃ and BrO₂. This corresponds to an average bond energy of 254 kJ mol⁻¹. In comparison $D(\text{BrO}) = 231 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$.

Heat Capacity and Entropy

The structure of this molecule is estimated to be pyramidal with a O-Br-O angle of 109° and a bond length of 1.68 Å, in analogy with the corresponding chlorine and iodine oxide molecules. Venkateswari and Sundaram,² Venkateswari and Rajalakshmi,³ Rao and Sathyanama,⁴ Rao,⁵ and Thiruganasambandam and Mohan⁶ assumed the same structure and bond angle for ClO₃, BrO₃, and IO₃. Using Baugers' rule, the authors examined the relationship between the vibrational frequencies and force constants for the three pyramidal molecules - ClO₃, BrO₃, and IO₃. Although these authors refer to early measurements of the vibrational frequencies, the values appear to be in part, those of the ion BrO₃⁻. The vibrational frequencies are derived from the force constants which describe the other halogen oxide molecules. The principal moments of inertia (in g cm²) are: I_A = 12.2156 × 10⁻³⁰, I_B = 12.2156 × 10⁻³⁰, and I_C = 14.7352 × 10⁻³⁰.

Byberg⁷ in an EPR study, suggested the molecule had C_{3v} symmetry with a bond angle of 112° and bond length of 1.57 Å. In contrast, Begum *et al.*,⁸ in a radiolysis study, suggested a bond length of 1.66 Å in solution. In these cases, there is no definitive evidence as to the geometry. Values were suggested which would be consistent with experimental observations.

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T/K	C _p ^o	S ^o - [C _p ^o - F(T ₁)/T]	H ^o - F(T ₁)/T	Δ _f H ^o - kJ mol ⁻¹	log K _r
50	0.000	INFINITE	-13.101	233.000	INFINITE
100	33.333	209.520	138.271	233.759	-244.216
150	36.646	330.329	130.438	235.073	-121.269
200	43.085	249.376	100.850	235.992	-83.217
250	49.535	262.667	79.684	242.381	-63.303
300	55.297	274.354	62.679	246.060	-51.411
350	59.999	284.509	50.000	250.432	-43.875
400	67.300	294.880	41.111	255.616	-38.636
450	71.849	303.241	34.885	263.728	-34.439
500	74.791	318.785	29.815	278.233	-29.067
600	76.759	332.164	20.827	292.607	-25.474
700	78.125	343.850	13.411	297.599	-22.897
800	79.105	354.194	8.659	306.849	-20.987
900	79.829	363.456	5.403	320.969	-19.442
1000	79.829	371.830	3.195	334.979	-18.224
1100	80.377	379.465	1.983	348.892	-17.224
1200	80.801	386.478	1.275	362.719	-16.387
1300	81.136	392.959	0.840	376.469	-15.676
1400	81.404	398.982	0.539	390.149	-15.065
1500	81.623	404.606	0.327	403.767	-14.533
1600	81.803	409.880	0.191	417.327	-14.065
1700	81.953	414.844	0.106	430.837	-13.652
1800	82.080	419.532	0.062	444.300	-13.282
1900	82.179	423.981	0.038	457.721	-12.952
2000	82.259	428.158	0.024	471.104	-12.663
2100	82.316	432.077	0.016	484.452	-12.411
2200	82.354	435.764	0.010	497.770	-12.184
2300	82.388	439.250	0.006	511.069	-12.134
2400	82.418	442.571	0.004	524.324	-11.908
2500	82.548	446.217	0.003	537.566	-11.700
2600	82.630	449.820	0.002	550.790	-11.508
2700	82.667	452.947	0.001	563.996	-11.331
2800	82.700	455.954	0.001	577.187	-11.166
2900	82.730	458.856	0.001	590.365	-11.013
3000	82.757	461.661	0.001	603.531	-10.871
3100	82.781	464.375	0.001	616.688	-10.737
3200	82.804	466.994	0.001	629.838	-10.613
3300	82.824	469.522	0.001	642.979	-10.496
3400	82.843	472.025	0.001	656.115	-10.385
3500	82.859	474.427	0.001	669.247	-10.282
3600	82.875	476.761	0.001	682.374	-10.184
3700	82.889	479.032	0.001	695.500	-10.091
3800	82.901	481.246	0.001	708.622	-10.004
3900	82.915	483.396	0.001	721.746	-9.922
4000	82.926	485.496	0.001	734.865	-9.842
4100	82.937	487.543	0.001	747.984	-9.768
4200	82.946	489.542	0.001	761.104	-9.697
4300	82.956	491.494	0.001	774.223	-9.629
4400	82.964	493.401	0.001	787.343	-9.564
4500	82.972	495.266	0.001	800.463	-9.503
4600	82.979	497.089	0.001	813.584	-9.444
4700	82.986	498.874	0.001	826.706	-9.388
4800	82.993	500.621	0.001	839.830	-9.334
4900	82.999	502.333	0.001	852.955	-9.282
5000	83.005	504.009	0.001	866.080	-9.233
5100	83.010	505.653	0.001	879.210	-9.185
5200	83.015	507.265	0.001	892.340	-9.139
5300	83.020	508.846	0.001	905.471	-9.096
5400	83.025	510.398	0.001	918.606	-9.053
5500	83.029	511.922	0.001	931.741	-9.013
5600	83.033	513.418	0.001	944.879	-8.974
5700	83.037	514.888	0.001	958.022	-8.936
5800	83.041	516.332	0.001	971.165	-8.900
5900	83.044	517.751	0.001	984.313	-8.865
6000	83.048	519.147	0.001	997.462	-8.831
				1010.617	-8.798

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Bromine oxide (BrO₃)BrO₃(g)

Br₂O(g)

Bromine oxide (BrOBr)

M_r = 175.8074

Ideal Gas

Bromine Oxide (BrOBr)

$\Delta_f H^\circ(0 \text{ K}) = 33\text{E} \pm 5 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
 $S^\circ(298.15 \text{ K}) = 290.8 \pm 2 \text{ J}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$

$\Delta_f H^\circ(0 \text{ K}) = 124.1 \pm 3.5 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
 $\Delta_f H^\circ(298.15 \text{ K}) = 107.6 \pm 3.5 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$

$\sigma = 2$

Point Group: C_{2v}
 Bond Angle: Br-O-Br = 112.24°
 Product of the Moments of Inertia: I_AI_BI_C = 10238.8384 × 10⁻¹¹⁷ g³cm⁶

Electronic Level and Quantum Weight
 state ϵ_r , cm⁻¹ g_r
 X'A 0.0 1

Vibrational Frequencies and Degeneracies
 ν , cm⁻¹
 526.1 (1)
 180 (1)
 623.4 (1)

Enthalpy Reference Temperature = T_r = 298.15 K

T/K	C _p J·K ⁻¹ ·mol ⁻¹	S° - (G° - H°(T))/T J·K ⁻¹ ·mol ⁻¹	H° - H°(T)/T kJ·mol ⁻¹	ΔfG° kJ·mol ⁻¹	log K _r
0	0.000	INFINITE	INFINITE	124.100	INFINITE
50	34.529	217.773	-12.399	124.100	-123.808
100	38.480	242.978	-8.252	118.511	-59.083
150	41.918	259.228	-6.885	113.112	-37.682
200	45.264	275.273	-6.274	108.209	-27.077
250	48.075	291.638	-5.785	103.675	-20.775
298.15	50.168	298.823	-5.417	99.433	-16.977
300	50.238	299.824	-5.403	96.902	-16.861
400	53.068	306.013	-5.272	96.835	-16.806
500	54.685	318.044	-5.277	99.506	-13.006
600	55.664	328.108	-5.277	105.277	-10.998
700	56.293	336.739	-5.277	110.920	-9.656
800	56.717	344.285	-5.277	116.524	-8.695
900	57.016	350.984	-5.277	122.095	-7.972
1000	57.234	357.003	-5.277	127.637	-7.408
1100	57.397	362.466	-5.277	133.156	-6.955
1200	57.523	367.466	-5.277	138.654	-6.584
1300	57.621	372.074	-5.277	144.135	-6.274
1400	57.698	376.347	-5.277	149.602	-6.011
1500	57.763	380.330	-5.277	155.057	-5.785
1600	57.816	384.060	-5.277	160.500	-5.547
1700	57.859	387.571	-5.277	165.938	-5.289
1800	57.896	390.895	-5.277	171.371	-5.009
1900	57.927	394.006	-5.277	176.799	-4.712
2000	57.953	396.978	-5.277	182.212	-4.400
2100	57.976	399.806	-5.277	187.631	-4.082
2200	57.996	402.503	-5.277	193.049	-3.759
2300	58.014	405.087	-5.277	198.468	-3.431
2400	58.029	407.551	-5.277	203.889	-3.100
2500	58.042	409.920	-5.277	209.313	-2.766
2600	58.054	412.197	-5.277	214.741	-2.428
2700	58.065	414.388	-5.277	220.175	-2.086
2800	58.074	416.500	-5.277	225.616	-1.741
2900	58.083	418.538	-5.277	231.064	-1.392
3000	58.091	420.507	-5.277	236.521	-1.040
3100	58.098	422.412	-5.277	241.986	-0.685
3200	58.104	424.257	-5.277	247.462	-0.327
3300	58.110	426.042	-5.277	252.947	0.033
3400	58.115	427.780	-5.277	258.438	0.295
3500	58.120	429.484	-5.277	263.938	0.558
3600	58.125	431.152	-5.277	269.446	0.822
3700	58.129	432.694	-5.277	274.964	1.086
3800	58.132	434.245	-5.277	280.492	1.350
3900	58.136	435.755	-5.277	286.031	1.614
4000	58.139	437.227	-5.277	291.581	1.878
4100	58.142	438.662	-5.277	297.141	2.142
4200	58.145	440.063	-5.277	302.791	2.406
4300	58.148	441.432	-5.277	308.380	2.670
4400	58.150	442.768	-5.277	313.979	2.934
4500	58.152	444.075	-5.277	319.586	3.198
4600	58.154	445.353	-5.277	325.202	3.462
4700	58.156	446.604	-5.277	330.826	3.726
4800	58.158	447.828	-5.277	336.458	3.990
4900	58.160	449.027	-5.277	342.097	4.254
5000	58.162	450.201	-5.277	347.745	4.518
5100	58.163	451.352	-5.277	353.395	4.782
5200	58.165	452.484	-5.277	359.053	5.046
5300	58.166	453.597	-5.277	364.719	5.310
5400	58.167	454.679	-5.277	370.384	5.574
5500	58.169	455.746	-5.277	376.057	5.838
5600	58.170	456.794	-5.277	381.734	6.102
5700	58.171	457.824	-5.277	387.416	6.366
5800	58.172	458.836	-5.277	393.102	6.630
5900	58.173	459.830	-5.277	398.791	6.894
6000	58.174	460.808	-5.277	404.482	7.158
				410.178	7.422

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Thorn *et al.*, using experimental results from photoionization efficiency spectrum of Br₂O, along with the ionization and appearance energy, have derived a value of the enthalpy of formation Δ_fH°(Br₂O, 0 K) = 124.1 ± 3.5 kJ·mol⁻¹, which we adopt.

There are three other related studies leading to an enthalpy of formation, Orlando and Burkholder¹ measured the equilibrium constant for the reaction: Br₂O + H₂O = 2HOBr. They determined Δ_rG°(298 K) = 9.70 kJ·mol⁻¹. Using the thermal functions presented in this table and thermal functions for HOBr(g) given by JANAF², we calculate Δ_fH°(Br₂O, 298.15) = 107.6 ± 3.5 kJ·mol⁻¹. This value supports our adopted value. Assuming that the values Δ_fG°(Br₂O) and Δ_fH°(Br₂O) are reasonable, we would anticipate the ratio of the numbers (1.52) to apply for a similar relationship between BrO(g) and BrOBr(g). This would yield a value of 114 kJ·mol⁻¹, which is in good agreement with our adopted value. Using the estimation scheme of Novak³ (in part based on ab initio calculations and an extended basis set), the enthalpy of formation was calculated to be 83 ± 8 kJ·mol⁻¹ at 0 K.

Heat Capacity and Entropy
 Mueller and Cohen⁴ from the microwave spectra of three isotopomers of BrOBr(g), have determined $r_e = 1.8429 \text{ \AA}$, and $\langle \text{BrOBr} \rangle = 112.24^\circ$, which we adopt. Supporting evidence was derived from bromine K-edge EXAFS study of Levason *et al.*⁵ The structure of this molecule was bent with a Br-O-Br angle of $112 \pm 2^\circ$ and the Br-O bond length was $1.85 \pm 0.01 \text{ \AA}$. The bond angle is in good agreement with the value derived from matrix IR studies⁶ where a value of 113° was estimated from isotope shifts. In comparison, Novak³ with the aid of ab initio calculations, determined a bond length of 1.809 Å and a bond angle of 115.7°. The principal moments of inertia (in g·cm²) are: $I_A = 2.5488 \times 10^{-39}$, $I_B = 62.1189 \times 10^{-39}$, and $I_C = 64.6677 \times 10^{-39}$. These results are based on the infrared spectra of the argon matrix isolated radical as studied by Tevault *et al.*,⁷ Allen *et al.*,⁸ and Levason *et al.*⁵ A value of $\nu_2 = 197 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ reported in the solid IR spectra study of Campbell *et al.*¹⁰ However, the Mueller and Cohen⁴ study implied $\nu_2 = 180 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (± 5). Lee,⁹ using ab initio calculations - CCSD(XT) - derived vibrational frequencies (313, 180 and 613 cm⁻¹) which are in reasonable agreement with our adopted values. Similar calculations by Lee yielded a structure in agreement with our recommendations (112.9° and 1.865 Å).

All specific studies (condensed or matrix)⁷⁻¹⁰ yielded values for ν_1 and ν_3 which are in reasonable agreement. Although Tevault *et al.*⁷ stated that the values for ν_1 and ν_3 reported by Campbell *et al.*¹⁰ are reversed, this does not affect the thermal functions.
 Anharmonic and Destrovsky¹¹ measured the ultraviolet absorption spectra of BrO in CCl₄. A strong absorption band was observed at 2800 Å (3571.4 cm⁻¹). We assume this refers to the position of the first excited electronic state. This state is not included in the calculations.

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Br₂O(g)

Bromine oxide (BrBrO)

M_r = 175.8074

Ideal Gas

Bromine Oxide (BrBrO)

T/K	C _p ^o	S ^o - [C _p ^o (T)/T]	H ^o - H ^o (T)/T	ΔH ^o	ΔG ^o	log K _r
0	0.000	0.000	INFINITE	-13.138	183.713	INFINITE
50	35.814	234.286	463.229	-11.447	183.848	-185.239
100	42.429	261.298	356.090	-9.479	183.126	-171.976
150	46.674	278.674	281.674	-8.187	181.947	-157.522
200	48.247	292.815	213.312	-7.489	181.349	-141.688
250	49.997	303.775	153.543	-7.442	180.262	-124.241
298.15	51.385	312.704	112.704	.000	168.000	-26.407
300	51.433	312.705	112.705	.095	167.928	-26.276
400	53.530	328.128	314.750	5.351	151.118	16.172
500	54.868	346.228	318.076	10.776	137.422	16.156
600	55.735	350.313	323.132	16.309	137.656	-13.761
700	56.316	358.951	327.647	21.975	138.125	-10.760
800	56.679	366.679	331.615	27.641	138.403	-10.760
900	57.008	373.197	335.249	33.253	138.347	-9.758
1000	57.222	379.215	340.250	38.965	138.554	-8.954
1100	57.384	384.677	344.044	44.696	138.747	-8.296
1200	57.509	389.676	347.642	50.441	138.925	-7.746
1300	57.608	394.283	351.054	56.197	139.089	-7.281
1400	57.687	398.555	354.297	61.962	139.238	-6.881
1500	57.752	402.537	357.381	67.734	139.371	-6.535
1600	57.805	406.266	360.321	73.512	139.486	-6.231
1700	57.849	409.772	363.128	79.295	139.582	-5.964
1800	57.887	413.080	365.812	85.081	139.657	-5.725
1900	57.918	416.210	368.383	90.872	139.708	-5.512
2000	57.946	419.182	370.849	96.665	139.735	-5.320
2100	57.969	422.010	373.219	102.461	139.734	-5.146
2200	57.989	424.707	375.498	108.259	139.704	-4.988
2300	58.007	427.285	377.694	114.059	139.643	-4.844
2400	58.023	429.754	379.812	119.860	139.550	-4.712
2500	58.037	432.123	381.858	125.663	139.426	-4.590
2600	58.049	434.400	383.833	131.467	139.269	-4.478
2700	58.060	436.579	385.749	137.275	139.080	-4.375
2800	58.069	438.661	387.602	143.082	138.863	-4.279
2900	58.079	440.740	389.400	148.887	138.613	-4.189
3000	58.087	442.709	391.144	154.695	138.337	-4.106
3100	58.094	444.614	392.838	160.504	138.037	-4.029
3200	58.101	446.459	394.485	166.313	137.714	-3.956
3300	58.107	448.246	396.088	172.124	137.372	-3.888
3400	58.112	449.981	397.647	177.935	137.013	-3.824
3500	58.117	451.666	399.167	183.747	136.640	-3.764
3600	58.122	453.303	400.648	189.559	136.256	-3.708
3700	58.126	454.896	402.093	195.371	135.865	-3.654
3800	58.130	456.446	403.503	201.184	135.469	-3.604
3900	58.134	457.956	404.880	206.997	135.070	-3.556
4000	58.137	459.428	406.225	212.811	134.671	-3.511
4100	58.140	460.863	407.540	218.624	134.275	-3.468
4200	58.143	462.264	408.827	224.438	133.884	-3.427
4300	58.146	463.632	410.085	230.253	133.499	-3.389
4400	58.148	464.969	411.318	236.068	133.122	-3.352
4500	58.150	466.276	412.524	241.883	132.756	-3.317
4600	58.153	467.554	413.707	247.698	132.400	-3.283
4700	58.155	468.805	414.866	253.513	132.056	-3.252
4800	58.157	470.028	416.002	259.328	131.724	-3.222
4900	58.158	471.228	417.117	265.144	131.409	-3.192
5000	58.160	472.403	418.211	270.960	131.106	-3.164
5100	58.162	473.555	419.285	276.776	130.817	-3.137
5200	58.163	474.684	420.340	282.593	130.543	-3.111
5300	58.165	475.792	421.376	288.409	130.284	-3.087
5400	58.166	476.880	422.393	294.226	130.038	-3.063
5500	58.167	477.947	423.394	300.042	129.807	-3.040
5600	58.168	478.995	424.377	305.859	129.589	-3.018
5700	58.170	480.025	425.345	311.676	129.384	-2.997
5800	58.171	481.036	426.296	317.493	129.192	-2.976
5900	58.172	482.031	427.232	323.310	128.012	-2.957
6000	58.173	483.008	428.154	329.127	128.842	-2.938

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 $\Delta_f H^\circ(0 \text{ K}) = [183.7 \pm 20] \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$
 $\Delta_f H^\circ(298.15 \text{ K}) = [168 \pm 20] \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

Electronic Level and Quantum Weight State	$\epsilon_e, \text{cm}^{-1}$	g_e
[1 ⁺]	0.0	[3]

Vibrational Frequencies and Degeneracies

 ν, cm^{-1}
 804 (1)
 1500 (1)
 236 (1)

 $\sigma = 1$
 Point Group: C_s
 Bond Distances: Br-C = [1.691] Å; Br-Br = [2.51] Å
 Bond Angle: Br-Br-C = [113.1]°
 Product of the Moments of Inertia: $I_a I_b I_c = [13784.9110 \times 10^{-117}] \text{ g}^3 \text{cm}^6$

Enthalpy of Formation

For the four halogen oxide species, XXO(g), where X = F, Cl, Br, I, there is no experimental data related to the enthalpy of formation. Lee¹ determined the enthalpies of formation of many triatomic bromine compounds using a combination of theoretical isomeric, homodesmotic and isodesmotic reaction energies. The calculated results suggested that BrBrO is less stable than BrOBr by 14.6 kcal·mol⁻¹ (61.1 kJ·mol⁻¹) at 298.15 K.

Heat Capacity and Entropy

Lee¹, using ab initio calculations - CCSD(T) - derived a bond angle of 113.1° and bond distances $r(\text{Br}-\text{Br}) = 2.510 \text{ \AA}$ and $r(\text{Br}-\text{O}) = 1.690 \text{ \AA}$, which we adopt. The principal moments of inertia (in g cm²) are: $I_a = 4.7079 \times 10^{-39}$, $I_b = 51.8084 \times 10^{-39}$, and $I_c = 56.5163 \times 10^{-39}$. The recommended vibrational frequencies are those suggested by Jacox.² These results are based on the infrared spectra of the argon matrix isolated radical as studied by Tevault *et al.*³ ν_3 is estimated based on comparisons of the vibrational frequencies with ClOO. Lee¹, using ab initio calculations, derived the vibrational frequencies to be 793, 153 and 215 cm⁻¹. These are in excellent agreement with our recommendations.

Tevault *et al.*³ observed very intense bands at 804 and 236 cm⁻¹ which appeared when Ar-Br-O₂ matrices were photolyzed with 632.8 nm light. The assignments for BrBrO were assumed to be $\nu_1 = 804 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (Br-O stretch), $\nu_2 = 236 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (Br-Br stretch) and the ν_3 value (the bending mode) was expected to be below 200 cm⁻¹.

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7. Conclusions

Of the bromine oxides mentioned in the literature, only nine have been prepared (as a single crystal, or in the gas phase, or a matrix) and (at least, partially) characterized: BrO, BrBrO, BrOBr, OBrO, BrOO, Br₂O₃, O₂BrBrO₂, O₂BrOBrO, and Br₂O₅. Only early studies exist which mention Br₂O₆ and Br₂O₇; it would appear that these species do not exist. BrO₃ and BrO₄ are proposed as intermediates in solutions or crystalline environments, with only an absorption maximum as a characterization.

Early references to Br₃O₈ are undoubtedly incorrect. Difficulties in the experimental determination of the true identity and composition of the solid oxides caused difficulty for all the condensed bromine oxides in the period before 1970. Recent references to this oxide are also incorrect in the sense that they should have been indexed to the monoxide—BrO. Thus, at this time, there is considerable uncertainty as to the existence of this compound. Finally, even recent evidence suggests that the characterization of the various isomers of Br₂O₄ may not be correct.

In the following table, a summary of the recommended thermodynamic properties at ambient conditions for six bromine oxides are given. The brackets indicate estimated values. The recommended values contain significant uncertainties. In all cases, experimental enthalpy of formation data are needed. However, due to its importance in atmospheric chemistry, the prime effort should be directed at determining experimentally the enthalpy of formation of OBrO(g). Further efforts should be directed towards confirming the dissociation energy of BrO and the enthalpy of formation of BrO-Br(g), and establishing the enthalpies of formation for BrOO(g), BrBrO(g) and BrO₃(g). For any of the polyatomic gaseous species, except BrOBr, spectroscopic measurements for the geometry and vibrational frequencies would greatly reduce the uncertainties in the resulting thermal functions. Confirmation as to the existence of the various condensed phases is needed, although this is a much lower priority.

Heat capacity and enthalpy are not necessary at this time. (See Table 7.1.)

TABLE 7.1. Thermodynamic Properties of the Bromine Oxides.

Compound	0 K	298.15 K			
	$\Delta_f H^0$	$\Delta_f H^0$	$\Delta_f G^0$	C_p^0	S^0
		kJ mol ⁻¹		J mol ⁻¹ K ⁻¹	
BrO(g)	133.3±2.4	125.8±2.4	109.6	34.2	232.97±0.1
OBrO(g)	[161.5±25]	[152.0±25]	[155.0]	45.4	271.1±2
BrOO(g)	[116.1±40]	[108.0±40]	[105.7]	[48.9]	[288.8±3]
BrO ₃ (g)	[233±50]	[221±50]	[250.4]	[60]	[284.5±2]
BrOBr(g)	124.1±3.5	107.6±3.5	96.9	50.2	290.8±2
BrBrO(g)	[183.7±20]	[168±20]	[150.7]	[51.4]	[312.7±2]

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