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Photoenhanced sulfates formation by the heterogeneous uptake of SO₂ on non-photoactive mineral dust

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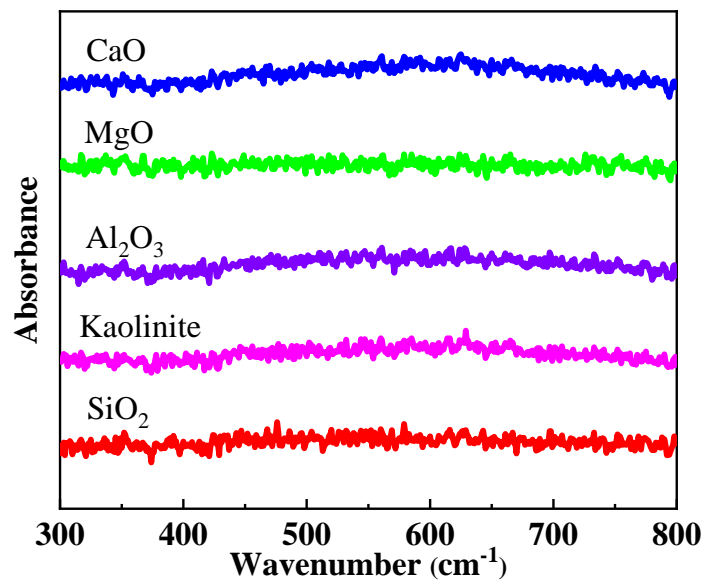


Figure S1. The UV-vis light absorption spectra of SiO₂, kaolinite, Al₂O₃, MgO and CaO.

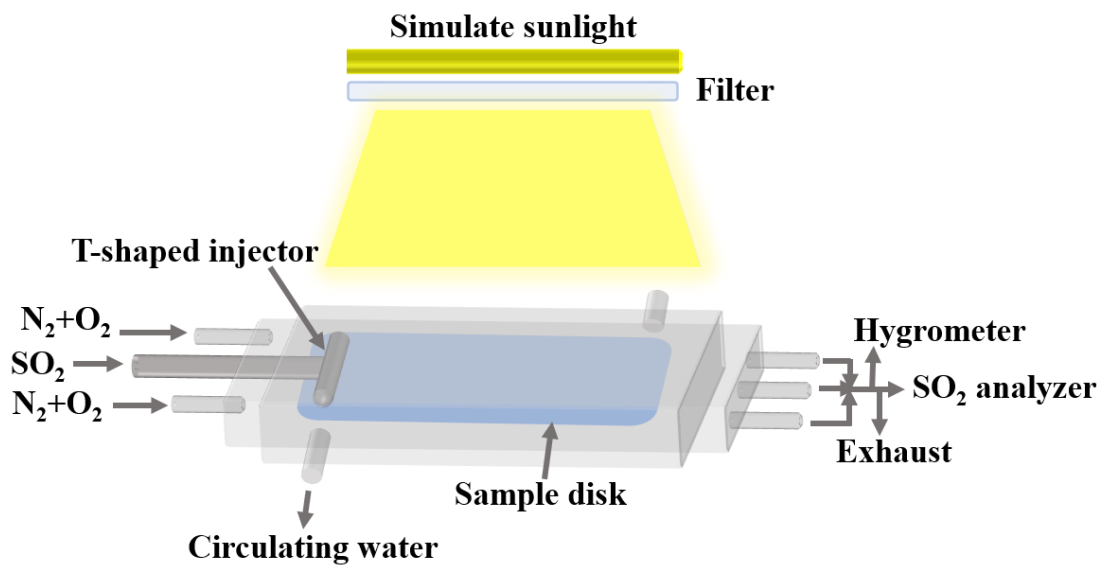


Figure S2. Diagram of the rectangular flow reactor.

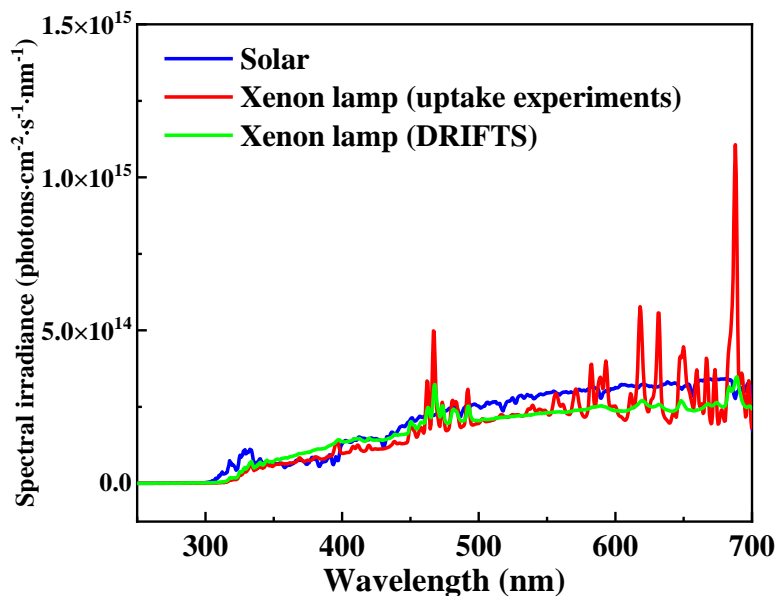


Figure S3. The spectral irradiance of the xenon lamp for SO₂ uptake and DRIFTS experiments and the solar for the 48° solar zenith clear sky at Shenyang (41.45N, 123.25E) on June 6th, 2022, at 12:00 local time.

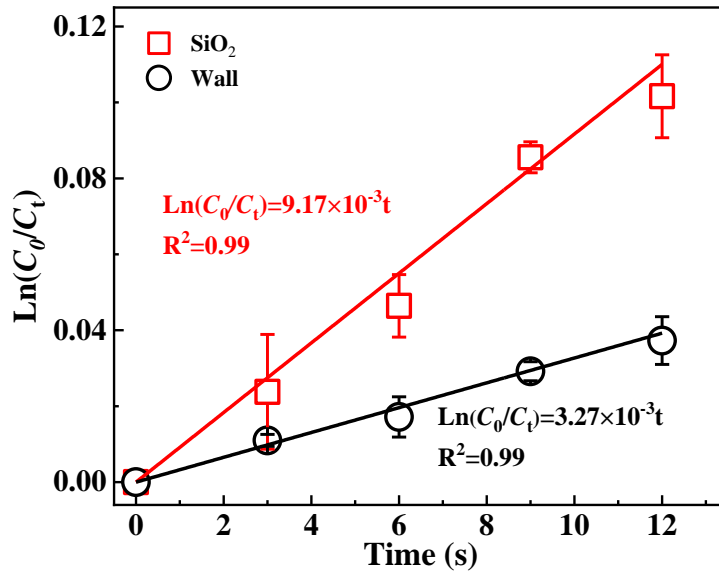


Figure S4. Determination of the linearity of $\ln(C_0/C_t)$ against the reaction time by varying the length of SiO₂ coating (red) and the blank reactor (black) contacting with SO₂. Reaction conditions: SiO₂ mass of 0.2 g, irradiation intensity of 250 W m⁻², temperature of 298 K, RH of 40% and O₂ content of 20%.

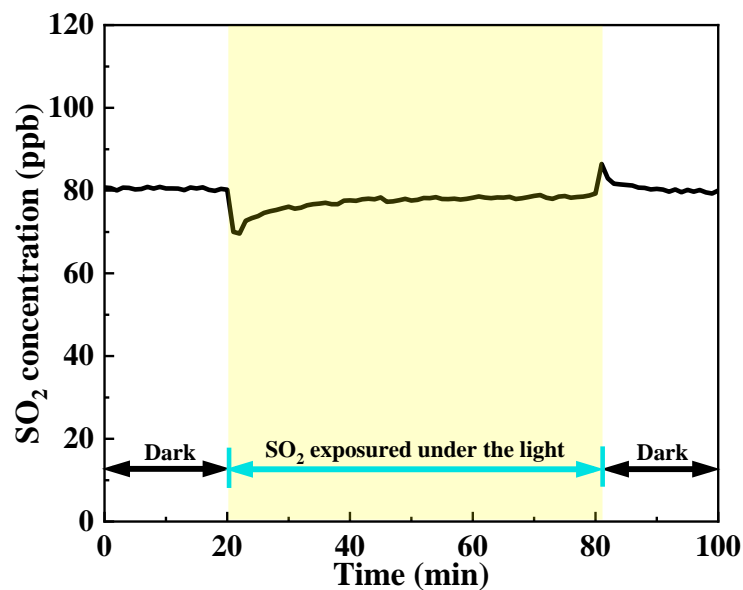


Figure S5. The temporal variation of SO₂ in blank experiments under irradiation. Reaction conditions: blank flow reactor, irradiation intensity of 250 W m⁻², RH of 40%, temperature of 298 K, and O₂ content of 20%.

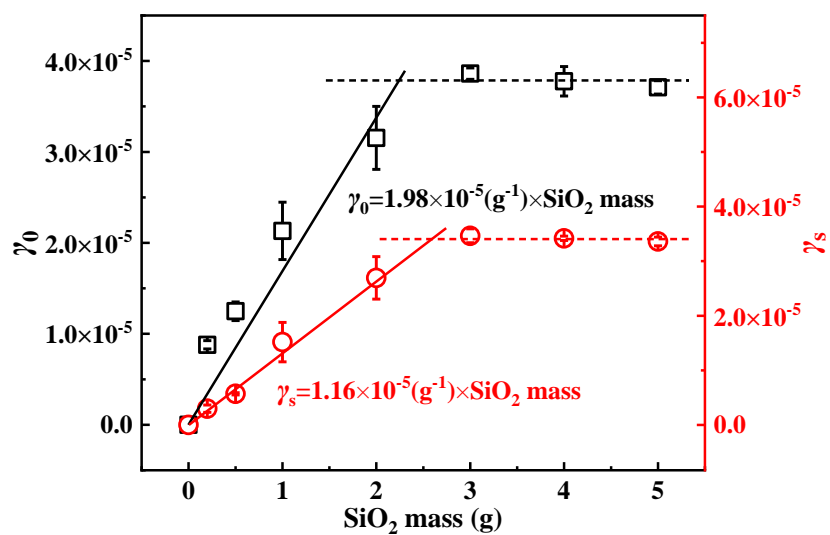


Figure S6. Initial uptake coefficients and steady-state uptake coefficients of SO₂ as a function of the SiO₂ mass.

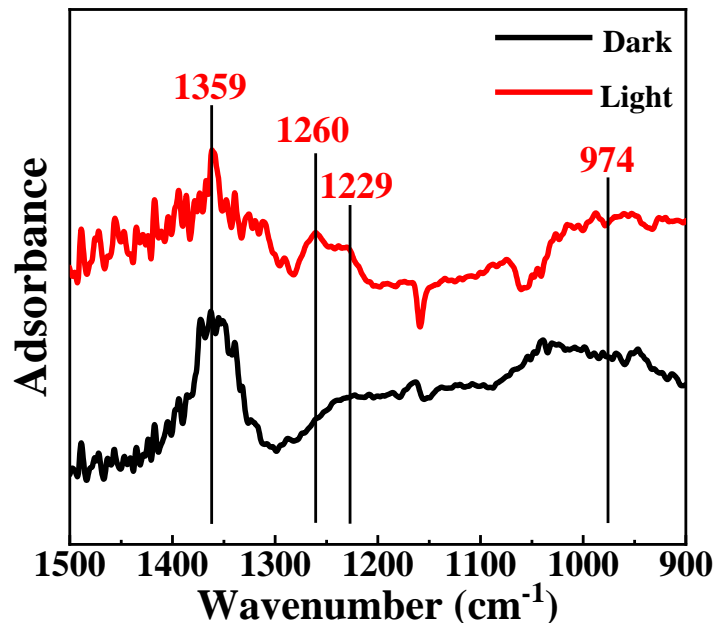


Figure S7. *In situ* DRIFTS spectra of SiO₂ in the range of 1500–900 cm⁻¹ during the uptake process of SO₂ (2 ppm) for 600 min in the dark and under irradiation.

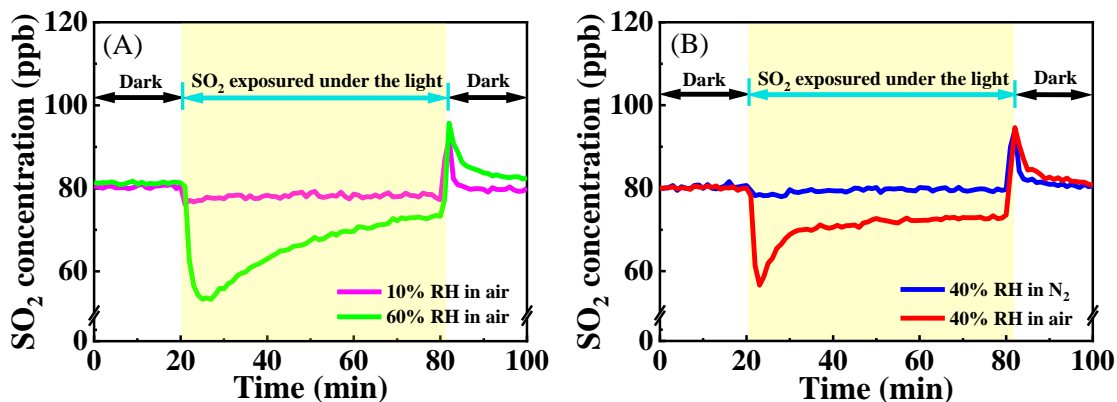


Figure S8. (A) Temporal variations of the SO₂ concentration on SiO₂ at different RHs. (B) Temporal variations of the SO₂ concentration on SiO₂ in N₂ and air. The background changes of the SO₂ concentration in the blank reactor have been deducted. Reaction conditions: SiO₂ mass of 0.2 g, irradiation intensity of 250 W m⁻², temperature of 298 K, O₂ content of 20% for (A) and RH of 40% for (B).

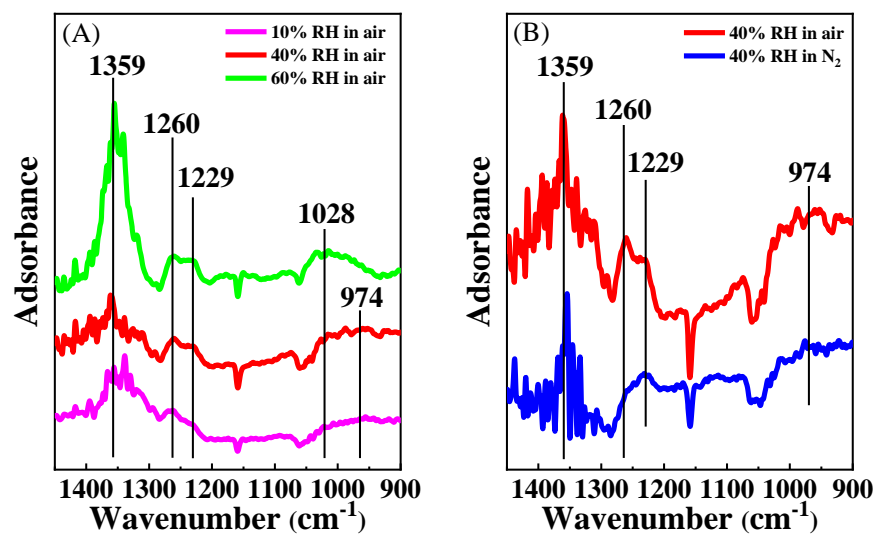


Figure S9. *In situ* DRIFTS spectra of SiO₂ during the uptake process of SO₂ (2 ppm) under different RHs (A) and O₂ contents (B).

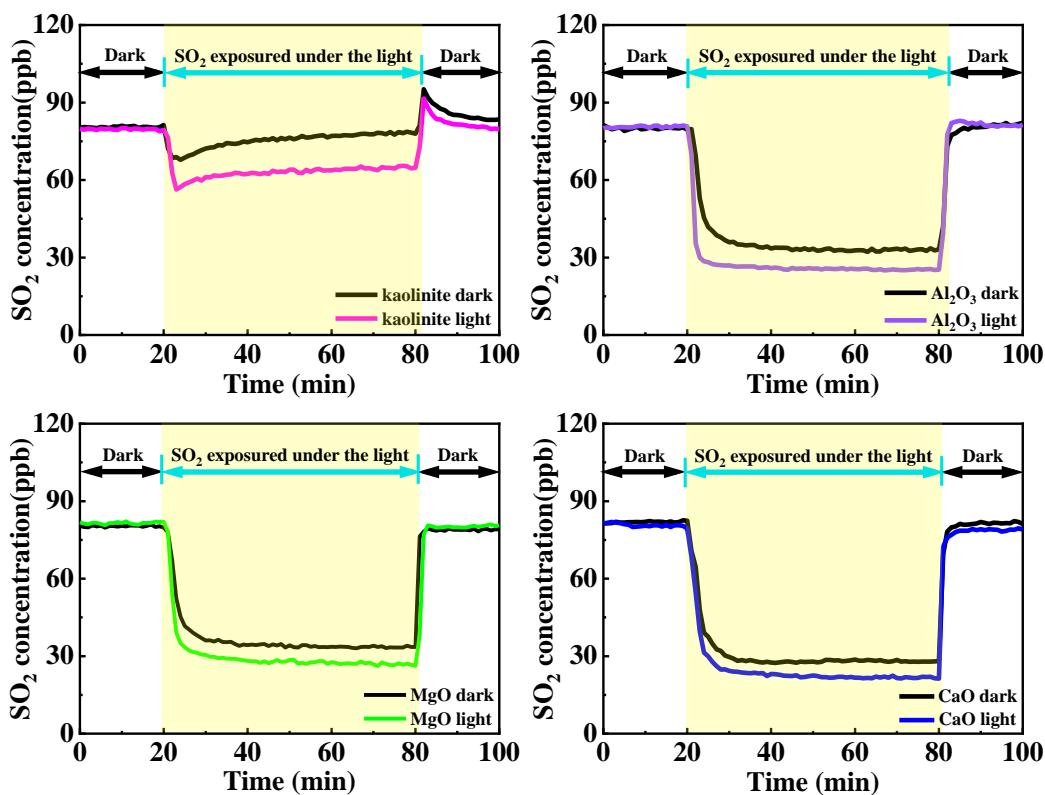


Figure S10. Temporal variations of the SO₂ concentration on kaolinite, Al₂O₃, MgO and CaO.

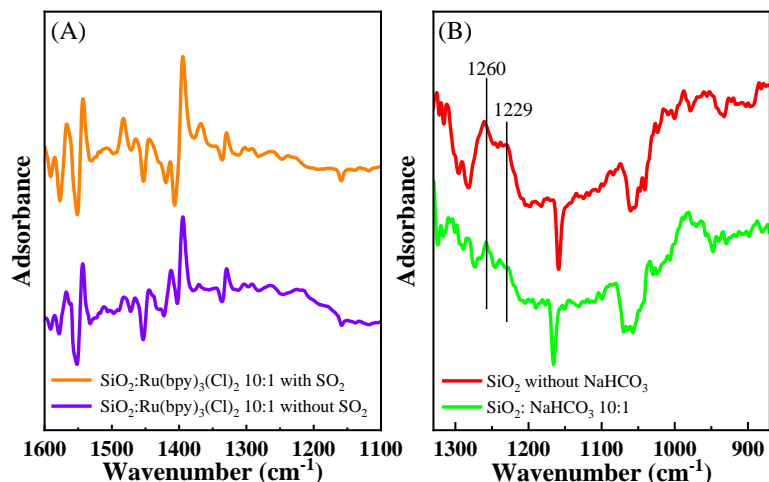


Figure S11. (A) *In situ* DRIFTS spectra on the surface of SiO₂ mixed with Ru(bpy)₃(Cl)₂ in the absence (purple line) and presence of SO₂ (yellow line) for 300 min. (B) *In situ* DRIFTS spectra during the uptake process of SO₂ (2 ppm) in the absence (red line) and presence of NaHCO₃ (green line) for 300 min.

Table S1. SO₂ uptake coefficients and sulfate formation rates in different pathways.

Pathways	Light sources	SO ₂ uptake coefficients	Sulfate formation rates (μg m ⁻³ h ⁻¹)
•OH(Xue et al., 2016)	-	-	0.001–0.1
NO ₂ (Cheng et al., 2016)	-	-	0.01–10
H ₂ O ₂ (Liu et al., 2020a)	-	-	0.07–3.6
TMI(Ye et al., 2021)	-	2.56×10 ⁻¹⁰	~0.001
nitrate(Gen et al., 2019)	UV	7.36×10 ⁻⁷	0.001–1
black carbon(Zhang et al., 2022)	Xenon lamp	-	0.01–0.018
brown carbon(Liu et al., 2020b)	Xenon lamp	2×10 ⁻⁵	0.19
PM _{2.5} (Zhang et al., 2020)	UV	4.82×10 ⁻⁷	0.016
non-photoactive mineral dust	Xenon lamp	^a 2.22×10 ⁻⁶	2.15

^aThis SO₂ uptake coefficient was calculated accounting for the mass fraction of SiO₂, Al₂O₃, MgO, and CaO in mineral dust, which was 60%, 12.5%, 4% and 6.5%, respectively.

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