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**Radiation-induced transformations of matrix-isolated ethanol molecules
at cryogenic temperatures: a FTIR study**

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Table S1 Main absorption maxima (cm^{-1}) of the $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$ and $\text{C}_2\text{D}_5\text{OH}$ isolated molecules in the noble-gas matrices. Tentative assignments are in italic. Multiple features most probably are due to the effect of matrix site splitting.

Approximate assignment	Ne	Ar	Kr	Xe	Gas phase ^{S1}
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$					
OH _{str}	3679.7 _A	3660.2 _A	3666.5	3642.0	3676.1
	3677.4 _G	3655.2 _G	3650.0 _A	3639.7sh	3667.1
			3646.6 _G		3658.6
					3656.2
CH ₃ _{a-str} A''	3000.6	3000.2	2994.6	2996.9	2989.4
	2994.7	2995.0	2989.2	2989.7	
	2990.0		2985.3		
CH ₃ _{a-str}	2985.7	2984.4	2981.1	2981.0	—
			2977.9		
CH ₃ _{s-str}	2955.0	2953.0	2948.2	2943.2	—
	2942.2	2938.9	2934.8	2928.5	
CH ₂ _{a-str} A''	2920.4	2917.1	2908.1	2903.4	2900.5
	2914.8	2912.6	2901.7		
CH ₂ _{s-str}	2902.7	2899.5	2896.5	2892.3	—
	2896.8	2889.0sh	2892.7	2885.8	
				2880.6sh	
CH ₂ _{scis}	1492.6	1487.2	1487.6	1482.9	—
			1484.1		
CH ₃ _{a-deform}	1465.3	1463.3	1460.6	1456.8	1453.3
					1449.9
CH ₃ _{a-deform} A''	1449.0	1445.0	1443.3	1440.4	—
	1427.0	1416.6	1415.9	1413.9	—
CH ₂ _{wag}	1413.8				
	1379.3	1371.5	1369.4	1367.4	1393.7
CH ₃ _{s-deform}	1373.0				
	1253.2	1254.7	1251.1	1251.2	1241.3
OH _{deform}	1241.3	1252.1	1237.6	1238.2	
		1239.5			
CH ₂ _{rock} + CH ₃ _{rock} A''	1159.3	1160.2	—	—	—
	1103.0	1102.7	1101.5	1101.3	1089.2
CCO _{str} + CH ₃ _{rock}	1091.0	1095.9	1094.6	1092.6	
	1072.8	1091.7	1089.5	1088.9	
		1083.5	1082.8	1082.5	
		1077.0		1074.7sh	
CCO _{str} + CH ₃ _{rock}	1028.2	1025.1	1030.6	1032.5sh	1037.6
	1020.1	1016.6	1023.8	1031.5	1027.6
	1017.0sh	1009.3	1021.8	1027.1	
	1012.9		1015.8	1022.6sh	
CCO _{str}	891.6 _A	889.3 _A	898.2	898.4sh _A	891.5
	889.8 _G	886.4 _G	887.9 _A	895.0 _G	883.0
	886.9sh _G	884.6sh _G	885.0 _G		879.4
			882.5sh _G		
CH ₂ _{rock} + CH ₃ _{rock} A''	814.5	811.9	809.3	817.4	801.0

C₂D₅OH					
OH _{str}	3686.7 _A	3660.6 _A	3666.5	3642.6	3676.1
	3680.0 _G	3655.6 _G	3649.9 _A	3640.4sh	
CD _{3 a-str} A''	2252.0	2256.4	2251.6	2252.0	2233.6
	2244.3	2246.7	2242.4	2246.3	
	2240.4	2231.3	2239.6	2242.4	
	2236.0		2231.8	2236.2	
				2232.7sh	
CD _{3 a-str}	2211.6	2208.1	2205.3	2206.4	–
CD _{2 a-str} A''	2186.2	2194.3	2195.8	2171.2	2185.0
	2184.0	2191.0	2190.0sh	2170.6	
	2175.6		2186.1		
CD _{3 s-str}	2142.8	2141.6	2137.8	2144.7	–
				2134.6	
CD _{2 s-str}	2126.4	2121.9	2120.5	2114.7	–
	2123.9	2111.7	2118.8	2104.1	
	2111.6	2105.9	2107.4	2095.1	
	2106.2	2103.6	2101.2	2089.5	
	2102.9	2098.5	2093.5	2076.7	
	2096.0	2086.3	2084.2sh	2072.5	
	2084.2	2078.9	2081.0	2065.9	
	2080.3		2078.5sh		
			2076.5sh		
?	2033.5	2029.0sh	2022.8	2022.9	–
	2027.1	2026.7	2018.2	2017.2	
	2021.7	2022.1			
?	1316.3	1315.0	1316.5	1319.0sh	–
			1313.6	1314.3	
CD _{3 s-deform}	1285.3	1276.5	–	1277.8	1286.2
?	1279.2				1185.0
	1192.0	1189.2	1166.3	1186.1	
	1182.8	1177.2sh	1163.3	1180.6	
	1180.6	1169.0			
CD _{2 wag}	1166.5	1166.6			1155.1
		1162.0			
	1144.6	1143.3	1160.9	1143.6	
	1138.7sh	1136.1	1150.3	1128.4	
	1131.4	1129.2	1142.1	1124.9sh	
	1125.6	1121.2sh	1133.5	1114.7	
	1118.6sh	1118.2	1126.9		
	1114.8	1115.0sh	1119.6		
1109.5		1115.1			
CD _{3 a-deform}	1091.5	1097.7	1098.3	1094.5	1067.6
	1086.8	1094.9	1093.7	1070.0	1064.0
	1073.2	1071.2sh	1073.6	1066.1	
	1070.9	1068.4	1067.1	1061.4	
	1066.7	1064.4	1062.6		

CD ₂ scic	1060.3	1057.1	1055.2	1055.6	1057.8
	1058.1		1053.9sh	1052.2	1053.8
				1050.9sh	
CD ₃ a-deform A''	1051.4	1049.6	1048.4	1045.7	–
CH ₂ rock + CH ₃ rock A''	984.7	981.4	980.4	–	–
	982.0	975.8	974.0		
	973.0	971.8	971.7		
	964.1	965.8	963.6	965.7	967.7
OH deform	959.7	961.2	959.4sh	963.2sh	965.7
	957.5sh			960.6	
				956.4	
CCO _{str} + CD ₃ rock	922.0	920.4	919.3	904.8	902.7
	907.4	910.1	908.4	890.3	889.4
	905.5sh	905.0	902.3	887.0	882.6
	903.5sh	903.0	892.1		878.4
	894.8	892.2	886.5		
	889.6	887.7	881.6sh		
	884.3	883.2			
	881.7				
CCO _{str}	744.4 _A	742.8 _A	745.8	749.9 _A	744.0
	741.0 _G	739.2 _G	742.4 _A	743.4 _G	
		738.3 _G			

A – anti-conformer; G – gauche-conformer; sh – shoulder.

Table S2 Absorption maxima (cm^{-1}) of the species produced under X-ray radiolysis of the $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}/\text{Ng}$ and $\text{C}_2\text{D}_5\text{OH}/\text{Ng}$ 1:1000 (Ng = Ne, Ar, Kr, or Xe) samples. Tentative assignments are in italic.

Species	Assignment	Ne ^a	Ar	Kr	Xe	Ref.	
C₂H₅OH							
CH ₃ CHO	2ν ₆	–	2841.0	2842.9 2838.2 2833.9	2823.4 2822.0	S2, S3	
		ν ₅ +ν ₆	–	–	–		2803.7
		ν ₅ +ν ₇ /ν ₇ +ν ₁₂	2753.3	2751.1	2752.0 2745.7		2743.2
	CH _{str}	2719.8	2730.0	2725.6sh	2731.5	2716.3sh 2713.8	
		2716.7	2726.5	2723.4			
			2719.5	2719.4sh 2711.8			
	CO _{str}	1733.5	1728.3	1740.8	1735.6		
		–	–	1726.4			
	CH ₃ d-deform			–	1423.9 1419.9		
		CH ₃ s-deform	1352.7	1352.5	1349.4	1345.5	
	CC _{str}	1117.7	1123.9	1121.7	1122.7	1116.1	
		1114.7	1120.3	1118.6			
			1116.0	1113.8			
			1111.6	1109.9			
	CCO _{deform}	509.6	515.2	516.8 515.1 510.3 505.7	515.4 512.1		
CH ₂ CHOH	OH _{str}	3629.0	3625.4 3621.2 3616.7 3609.4	3609.2 3607.1	–	S2, S4, S5	
	CC _{str}	1669.0	1672.0	–	–		
		1666.8	1667.4				
		1665.4	1665.2				
	Mixed mode CH ₂ CH _{OPLA}	1662.7	1661.9			1078.8 814.6sh 812.8 804.0	
		1078.1	1079.2	1078.8			
		817.0	823.0 817.6	821.3 816.0			
C ₂ H ₂ ⋯H ₂ O	CH _{a-str}	3252.2	3239.8	3234.0	–	S2, S6	
		3247.8					
	OH _{bend}	1598.9	1593.1	1591.1			
		1596.3sh		1588.2			
	CH _{a-bend}	778.9sh	786.1	782.7			
		776.6 772.9 770.8					

CH ₃ CO [•]	CO _{str} ^b	–	–	1881.0 1847.7	1880.2 1876.3 1844.4	S2, S5, S7, S8
H ₂ CCO–H ₂	CH ₃ _{deform} CH ₂ _{s-str}	3078.2	3071.7 3069.8sh 3067.7	1321.5 3066.6sh 3062.6	1318.4 3056.0 3052.5	S2, S9
H ₂ CCO	CO _{str} CH ₂ _{scis} CH ₂ _{rock-opla} CO _{rock-opla} CH ₂ _{s-str} CO _{str} CH ₂ _{scis} CH ₂ _{rock-opla} CO _{rock-opla}	2150.3 1386.8 592.3 527.5 3069.1 2150.3 1386.8 592.3 527.5	2148.1 1381.7 – 524.5 3062.8 2142.2 – – 2031.2	2143.9 1378.0 – – 3049.4 2139.8 – – 2028.1	2139.3 1375.0 – – 3040.7 2136.7 – – 2021.0sh	S2, S7, S10, S11 S2, S12, S13
HCCO [•]	CCO _{deform}	2023.9 2018.6sh 2015.4sh	2022.1 2019.6sh	2026.1 2019.6	2016.4 2013.7sh	
CCO	CO _{str}	1972.6 1967.2	1973.5	1970.3	1966.5	S2, S14
H ₂ CO	CH ₂ _{a-str} CH ₂ _{s-str} CO _{str} CH ₂ _{scis} CH ₂ _{wag}	–	2865.3 2797.6 1740.8 1498.0 1169.6	2854.1 2787.6 1738.8 1494.3 1166.5	–	S15–S17
HCO [•]	CH _{str} CO _{str} HCO _{deform}	2482.2 1866.2 –	2481.3 1862.8 1086.2	2475.4 1861.9 1081.2	2444.8 1858.8 1856.8 1076.3 1073.5	S18–S20
CO	CO _{str}	2143.5sh 2141.2	2137.6	2135.7	2132.4 2130.9sh	S7, S21
CH ₄	CH ₃ _{d-str} CH ₃ _{d-deform}	3020.3 1308.7	3026.0 3020.8sh 1305.6	3019.3 3016.4 1308.7 1305.3sh 1303.0 1300.4	3019.5 3012.5 3006.7 1309.4 1303.8 1300.6	S22
CH ₃ [•]	CH ₃ _{OPLA}	607.3	606.5	609.3 604.0	602.7	S7, S23

			C₂D₅OH			
CD ₃ CDO	CD ₃ s-str	–	–	2124.9	2118.6	S2, S3
				2122.6		
	CD str	2062.4	2061.6	2056.6	2069.1	
		2060.2			2054.3	
		2054.7			2050.9	
	CO str	1735.5	1746.3	1731.5	1726.9	
		1724.6	1733.8	1728.8		
			1732.2	1725.0		
			1726.9			
	CD bend	1154.8	1154.5	1156.3	1152.7	
	CD ₃ s-deform	1026.8	1024.9	1022.4	1019.2	
	CC str	943.9	939.5	937.4	939.1	
		940.3				
	934.5					
CCO deform	443.7	442.2	443.3	442.1		
	436.7	433.3	432.4	439.5		
			429.6			
CD ₂ CDOD	OD str	2684.4	2679.8	2667.1	2654.9	S4
			2676.9sh			
CD ₂ CDOH	OH str	–	3626.9	3609.2	–	S2, S4
			3623.3	3607.1		
			3615.5			
	CC str	1595.6	1598.6	1595.3	1592.5	
		1585.3	1597.1	1593.8	1584.8	
		1578.4	1590.0	1587.7		
			1581.6			
	Mixed mode	926.7	924.2	922.5	920.9	
		923.3			916.3sh	
	CD ₂ CD _{OPLA}	651.6	653.4sh	651.5	648.0	
		651.5	649.8	646.4		
		649.9sh				
C ₂ D ₂ ···HDO	OD str	2713.8	2714.6	–	–	S6
	OH bend	1399.6	1401.0	1400.5		
HCCD···D ₂ O	CD a-str	2547.3	2542.2	–	–	S6
		2541.4				
DCCH···D ₂ O	CD a-str	2591.4	2578.3	2573.6	–	S6
	CH a-bend	729.7	729.3	725.3		
C ₂ D ₂ ···D ₂ O	OD a-str	2769.8	2775.0	2766.9	–	S2, S6
	CD a-str	2414.1	2411.0	2405.7	2401.0	
	OH bend	1180.7	1176.2	1173.0	–	
	CD a-bend	516.5	514.3	512.9		
510.7						
CD ₃ CO [•]	CO str	–	–	1862.2	1859.4	S2, S7, S8
	CD ₂ scis			–	1022.0	
					1020.9sh	

D ₂ CCO–D ₂	CD ₂ s-str	2270.2	2265.8	2260.3	2259.1	S2		
		2265.7			2255.4			
	v ₃ +v ₄	2156.5	2154.9	2151.1	2146.1			
	CO str	2120.6	2118.7	2114.4	2110.3			
	CD ₂ rock-opla	–	–	–	538.4			
D ₂ CCO	CO rock-opla			432.2	429.3	S2, S7, S10, S11		
	CD ₂ s-str	2270.2	2260.0	2255.6	2250.4sh			
	v ₃ +v ₄	2265.7	2149.2	2145.7	–			
	CO str	2153.3	2112.7	2110.1	2106.8			
DCCO [•]	CCO deform	1994.9	1993.3	1993.2sh	1993.1	S2, S12, S13		
		1992.1	1990.0	1990.0	1989.2sh			
CCO	CO str	1972.8	1972.2	1969.5	1965.3	S2, S14		
		1967.2		1966.3	1962.8			
HDCO	CH str	–	2859.1	–	–	S15, S17		
			2762.2					
			2760.3					
			2758.2					
			2734.5					
			1719.0	1716.1				
			1396.0	–				
		D ₂ CO	CO str		1719.0		1716.1	
			CHD scis		1396.0		–	
			CD ₂ a-str	–	2178.6		2170.8	–
CD ₂ s-str			2069.3	2062.3				
HCO [•]	CO str		1696.4	1693.6				
			1694.2					
	CD ₂ scis		1099.2	1096.5				
	CD ₂ rock		987.7	985.4				
	CD ₂ wag		942.5	940.8				
	CH str	–	2481.4	–	–			
	CO str	1869.2	1862.8	1860.0				
DCO [•]	CD str	1866.1				S15, S19–S21		
		1917.8	1925.2	1918.9	1922.7			
		1909.9			1910.5			
CO	CO str	–	1801.1	–	–	S7, S21		
		852.2	849.7	846.8	850.8			
		848.6						
CHD ₃	CH str	2140.9	2137.6	2135.6	2132.7	S7, S21		
					2128.3sh			
CHD ₃	CH str	2998.5	2998.5	2986.7sh	–	S24		
		2996.6	2996.6	2984.8				
		2991.1	2990.9					
		2989.9sh						
		1290.4	1288.1	1301.2				
	CD ₃ rock		1286.9	1297.7				
				1295.2				
				1284.6				
		1032.8	1030.2	1027.7				
			1024.5	1022.3				
CD ₃ d-deform	CD ₃ d-deform	1002.8	1001.9	1000.2				
			1000.1	998.4				

CD ₄	CD ₃ d-deform	996.4 990.4	993.9	992.1	997.2 992.9 990.0sh	S7, S25
CD ₃ [*]	CD ₃ OPLA	457.4	455.1	454.4	454.0	S7, S23

sh – shoulder, *OPLA* – out of plane.

^a In a Ne matrix both of H₂CCO/H₂CCO–H₂ (D₂CCO/D₂CCO–D₂) may contribute to all observed absorptions of ketene except CH₂ *s-str* (CD₂ *s-str*), see Ref. S2 for details. Owing to this reason we provide the same values of absorption maxima both for H₂CCO and H₂CCO–H₂ (D₂CCO/D₂CCO–D₂).

^b Fermi resonance with an overtone or a combination band, see Ref. S8 for details.

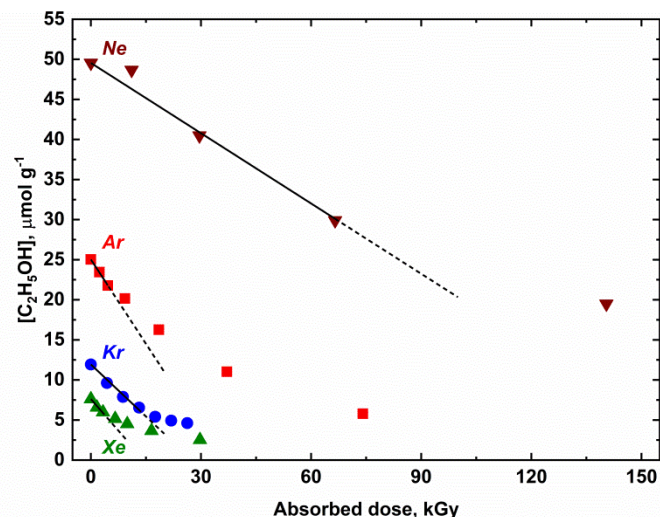


Fig. S1 Kinetics of the radiation-induced decay of ethanol molecules in the C_2H_5OH/Ng 1:1000 samples ($Ng = Ne, Ar, Kr, \text{ or } Xe$) irradiated with X-rays. The relative concentration of ethanol in the samples irradiated to different doses was calculated by integration of the $O-H_{str}$ absorption band. The initial molar mass concentrations of C_2H_5OH were determined based on molar a mixture ratio of 1:1000. The radiation-chemical yield of the C_2H_5OH degradation estimated from initial slopes of the recorded kinetics profiles are ca. 0.29, 0.67, 0.42, and 0.51 $\mu\text{mol J}^{-1}$ for Ne, Ar, Kr, and Xe, respectively, i.e. the efficiency of ethanol decomposition increases in a row $Ne < Kr < Xe < Ar$.

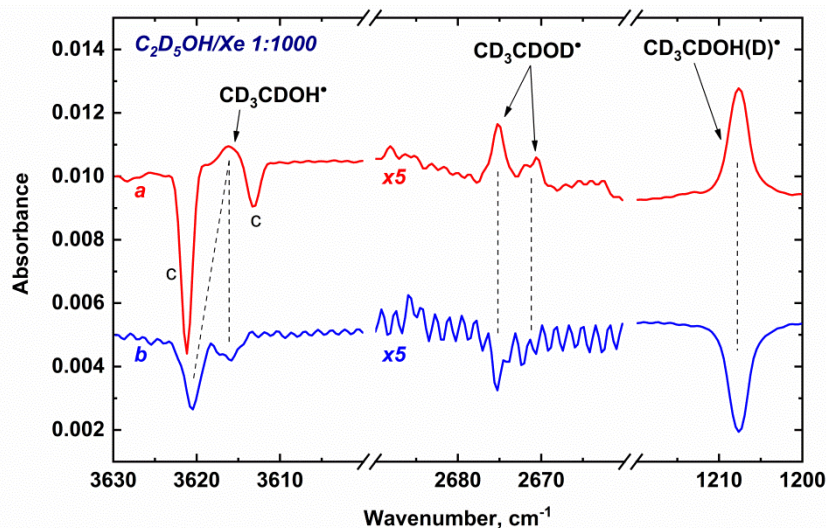


Fig. S2 Fragments of the difference FTIR spectra (recorded at 4.4 K) showing the effect of the X-ray irradiation for 5 min (a) and UV photolysis (254 nm) for 30 min (b) of the C_2D_5OH/Xe (1:1000) in the regions containing the absorptions bands assigned to the $CD_3CDOH(D)^\bullet$ radicals. Absorption features in the OH stretching region observed in the deposited sample and decreased upon irradiation were tentatively attributed to the ethanol dimers^{S26} (marked with 'c').

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