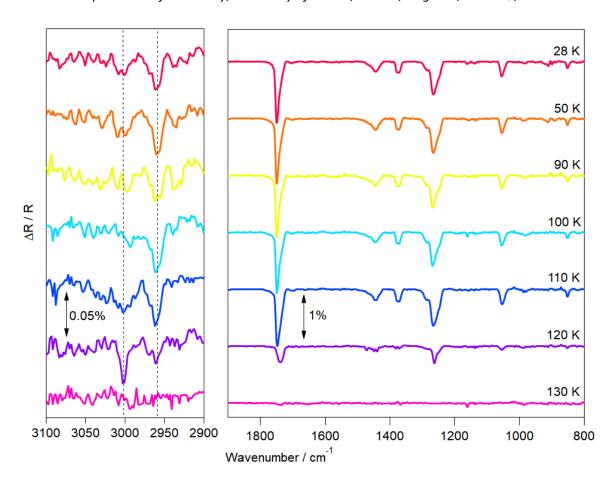
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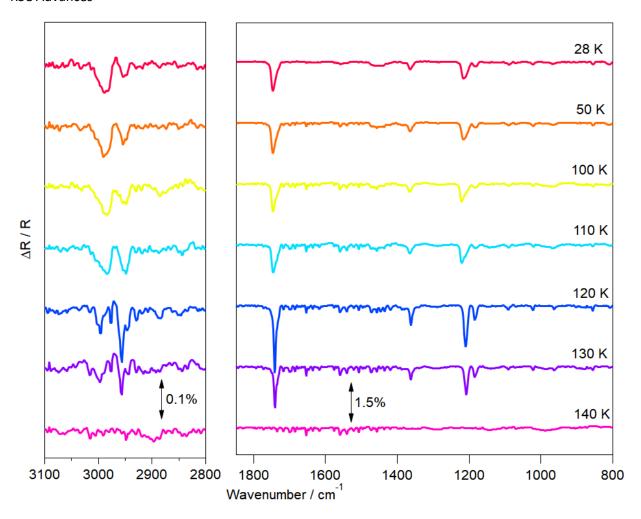
## Surface science studies of the coverage dependent adsorption of methyl acetate and methyl propanoate on graphite

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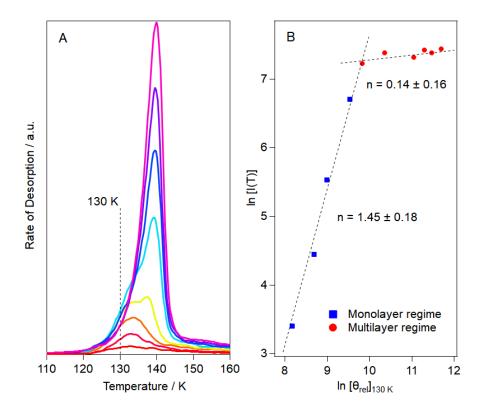
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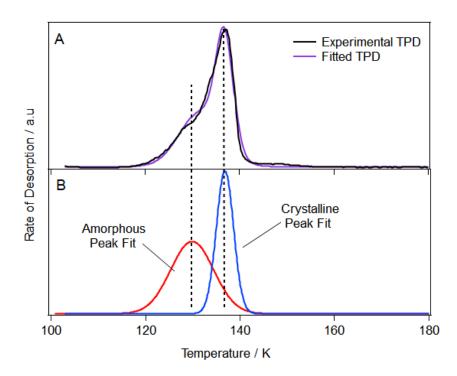
**Figure S1:** RAIR spectra for the annealing of a 100  $L_m$  methyl acetate ice adsorbed on HOPG . The ice was grown at 28 K and heated at a rate of 0.5 K s<sup>-1</sup> in increments of 10 K, holding at each temperature for 3 minutes before cooling back to base temperature to record a spectrum. The left hand panel shows the 2900 - 3100 cm<sup>-1</sup> wavenumber region and the right hand panel shows the region from 800 - 1900 cm<sup>-1</sup>. No vibrational bands are seen in other regions of the spectrum.



**Figure S2:** RAIR spectra for the annealing of a 100  $L_m$  methyl propanoate ice adsorbed on HOPG. The ice was grown at 28 K and heated at a rate of 0.5 K s<sup>-1</sup> in increments of 10 K, holding at each temperature for 3 minutes before cooling back to base temperature to record a spectrum. The left hand panel shows the 2800 – 3100 cm<sup>-1</sup> wavenumber region and the right hand panel shows the region from 800 – 1900 cm<sup>-1</sup>. No vibrational bands are seen in other regions of the spectrum.



**Figure S3:** (A) TPD data for methyl propanoate adsorbed on HOPG with the common temperature of 130 K labelled. (B) An example order plot for the desorption at 130 K.



**Figure S4:** An example peak fit for the separation of amorphous and crystalline methyl acetate desorption for a 180  $L_m$  ice grown at 120 K on HOPG. (A) The experimental data compared to the fitted trace. (B) The separated amorphous and crystalline peaks.

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 $\textbf{\it Table S1:}\ Molecular\ constants\ used\ in\ the\ transition\text{-}state\text{-}theory\ analysis.}$ 

	Mass / amu	Principle moments of inertia / amu Å <sup>2</sup>			Symmetry
		l <sub>x</sub>	ly	lz	factor (σ)
Methyl acetate	74	163.83	121.04	49.16	1
Methyl propanoate	88	278.46	235.18	52.73	1