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Earth's early atmosphere is essential to understand origin of life, evolution of life, and climate of that time. Before 2.4 Ga, there are believed to be no or very low level of molecular oxygen in the ancient atmosphere. However, there is little consensus about reducing gas species and compositions of the atmosphere at that time. Sulfur mass-independent fractionation (S-MIF) recorded in Archean sedimentary rocks is expected to constrain the chemical and physical states of the ancient atmosphere. Specific photochemical reactions were shown to cause large S-MIF by previous studies (e.g. Farquhar et al., 2001). However, the most basic characteristics of Archean S-MIF, which is $\Delta^{36}\text{S}/\Delta^{33}\text{S}$ slope, have yet to be reproduced by experiments. In order to clue the ancient atmospheric chemistry, it is essential to understand the mechanism of S-MIF including ^{36}S . I have conducted a series of experiments to examine S-MIF during SO_2 photochemistry.

In Chapter 2, because I noted that fractionation factors in photolysis can be calculated from isotopologue absorption cross sections, I measured photoabsorption cross sections of SO_2 isotopologues ($^{32}\text{SO}_2$, $^{33}\text{SO}_2$, $^{34}\text{SO}_2$, and $^{36}\text{SO}_2$) from 190 to 220 nm. This is the first report of $^{36}\text{SO}_2$ absorption cross sections. Observed cross sections clearly depended on sample pressures. Owing to careful analysis, I found that this pressure dependence stems from experimental artifact, and the dependence could be corrected. As a result, high accuracy and high precision (less than 1% of error) of cross sections were achieved. Fractionation factors of SO_2 photolysis were estimated to be smaller than a previous study (Danielache et al., 2008). The magnitude of fractionation factors was found to be similar to or below that of Archean S-MIF.

In Chapter 3, I conducted SO_2 photochemical experiments under reducing CO atmosphere and examined sulfur isotope fractionations. In previous studies, because of a limitation of sample amount for quadruple sulfur isotope analysis, isotope fractionations in SO_2 photolysis could not be examined under optically thin SO_2 condition which should be realistic atmospheric condition. I developed a new analytical method of small sample (10 nmol S) for

sulfur isotope analysis, and the experiment under optically thin SO₂ condition was achieved. As a result, the observed S-MIF by photochemical experiments reproduced the characteristic of Archean $\Delta^{36}\text{S}/\Delta^{33}\text{S}$ slope about -1 , for the first time. Moreover, it was found that the S-MIF occurs in self-shielding in SO₂ photolysis and photoexcited SO₂ chemistry. Sulfur mass-independent fractionation in final products reflects mixing of these two mechanisms. In atmosphere, self-shielding should reflect partial pressure of SO₂ and S-MIF in excited SO₂ chemistry should reflect partial pressure of CO or CH₄. Accordingly, to reproduce the Archean $\Delta^{36}\text{S}/\Delta^{33}\text{S}$ slope, the atmosphere was estimated to contained several kilopascals of CO or CH₄ in the Archean atmosphere.

In Chapter 4, I focused on SO₂ absorption line width dependence of self-shielding. In order to test total pressure dependence of S-MIF, I conducted SO₂ photochemical experiments changing both partial pressures of SO₂ and total pressures. Total pressure dependence of S-MIF in SO₂ photolysis was clearly shown experimentally. Analysis based on the SO₂ absorption line width found that the total pressure dependence comes from pressure broadening of SO₂ absorption lines. At high total pressure such as above 1 bar, the $\Delta^{36}\text{S}/\Delta^{33}\text{S}$ slope was far from that of the Archean. Based on Chapter 3's model, to reproduce large S-MIF of late Archean, it was found that the Archean atmospheric pressure should be below 1 bar, or the SO₂ was photolyzed in the upper atmosphere.

Finally, In Chapter 5, the possible Archean atmospheric states estimated from quadruple sulfur isotopes were discussed. Based on the results from Chapter 2 to Chapter 4 and using numerical photochemical model, the $\Delta^{33}\text{S}$ and $\Delta^{36}\text{S}$ values were modeled under various SO₂ column densities, partial pressures of CO, and total pressures. When the results were compared to the geological large S-MIF of late Archean, and to reproduce the S-MIF, it was found to be important that S-MIF in excited SO₂ was conserved in final products. Reducing gas species were discussed using their reaction rate constants with excited SO₂. Consequently, it was found that hydrocarbons including CH₄ cannot explain the late Archean S-MIF and it was concluded that CO is possibly reasonable as reducing gas of excited SO₂.

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