# Characterization of polysulfides, polysulfanes and other unique species in the reaction between GSNO and H<sub>2</sub>S

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S1. LCMS of oxidized polysulfides in MeOH with 1 % formic acid mobile phase



**Figure S1.** LC-HRMS analysis of oxidized glutathione polysulfane species formed in a 1:5 reaction of GSNO with Na<sub>2</sub>S at pH 7, with 0.1% formic acid-methanol as carrier stream. A) The total ion LC spectra. (inset) Normalized selective ion chromatograms (SICs) showing a series of GSS<sub>n</sub>SG polysulfanes, n = 0-8, and the separation times of each within the overall LC spectra. (B) Region of the total ion mass spectra showing peaks assigned as shown, to dications.



**Figure S2.** LCMS MS/MS study of glutathione polysulfides (oxidized) formed in the reaction of GSNO 1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7.

S3. Reaction of GSNO with H<sub>2</sub>S in carbonate buffer at pH 10.

**High pH reactions of GSNO with H<sub>2</sub>S.** The reaction solutions were allowed to stand for an hour before LC/MS analysis. For temperature dependent studies the reaction solutions were incubated at 37 °C in Excella E24 incubator.



**Figure S3. Reactions at high pH.** Orbitrap LCMS study of reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in carbonate buffer at pH 10. (Top) SIC of glutathione polysulfides (oxidized) species and (Bottom) their corresponding mass spectra.

## S4. Reaction of GSNO with H<sub>2</sub>S at different temperatures



**Figure S4.** SIC of glutathione polysulfides obtained from the analysis of LCMS of reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7. (A) 25  $^{\circ}$ C and (B) 35  $^{\circ}$ C.

#### S5. Reaction of GSNO with H<sub>2</sub>S gas

Reaction of GSNO or GSSG with H<sub>2</sub>S(g). As a control reaction. gaseous H<sub>2</sub>S was generated by addition of concentrated HCl to Na<sub>2</sub>S under inert N<sub>2</sub> purge which was bubbled directly through an aqueous solution of GSNO or GSSG in iP buffer pH 7. The reaction solutions were allowed to stand for an hour before LC/MS analysis.



**Figure S5.** Orbitrap LCMS study of reaction of GSNO (1mM) with H<sub>2</sub>S (gas) generated from Na<sub>2</sub>S-HCl mixture in iP buffer at pH 7. (Top) SIC of glutathione polysulfides (oxidized) species and (Bottom) their corresponding mass spectra.

S6. Reactions of GSSG and GSH with elemental Sulfur.

**Reactions with elemental Sulfur(s).** To reaction solutions of GSH (1 mM) or GSSG (1 mM) were added elemental sulfur (solid) in iP buffer, pH 7 and allowed to stand for 24 h.



**Figure 6.** SICs of oxidized glutathione polysulfides (GSS<sub>x</sub>SG) from the Orbitrap LCMS analysis of reaction of (A) 1 mM of GSSG, (B) 1 mM of GSH with excess S in iP buffer at pH 7 and (C) relative distribution of the glutathione polysulfide species.

S7. Comparison of reaction of GSNO with H<sub>2</sub>S with and without the presence of elemental Sulfur.

**Reactions of GSNO/H<sub>2</sub>S in presence and absence of S(s).** To the reaction solutions of GSNO (1 mM) and Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM), were added elemental sulfur (solid) in iP buffer, pH 7 and allowed to stand for 24 h.



**Figure S7.** Relative distribution of the glutathione polysulfide species calculated in the presence (red) and absence (black) of S with GSNO (1 mM) and Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7.

S8. Reaction of GSH with sodium thiosulfate, Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.

**Reactions of sulfite and thiosulfate with GSH.** 5 mM of GSH was mixed either with 10-fold excess Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> or Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> in iP buffer pH 7. The reaction solutions were allowed to stand overnight before LC/MS analysis.



**Figure S8.** Orbitrap LCMS study of reaction of GSH (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7. Top: SIC of glutathione polysulfides (oxidized) species. Bottom: their corresponding mass spectra.

**S9.** Reaction of GSNO with H<sub>2</sub>S with and without NaS<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.



**Figure S9.** Orbitrap LCMS study of reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7, in the (**A**) absence, (**B**) presence of Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (5 mM) and their relative distributions of GSS<sub>n</sub>SG products (**C**); Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> absence (squares) and Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> presence (circles).

S10. Mass spectra of reduced GSSnH identified in the reaction of GSNO with H<sub>2</sub>S.



**Figure S10.** Orbitrap MS glutathione polysulfides (reduced) formed in the reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7.

## S11. LC-MS/MS of GSSnH products



**Figure S11.** Orbitrap LCMS MS/MS study of glutathione polysulfides (reduced) formed in the reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7.



**Figure S12.** Orbitrap LCMS MS/MS study of glutathione polythiosulfonates formed in the reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7.

## S13. MS comparison of GSSH and GSO<sub>2</sub>H in aerobic reactions



**Figure S13.** LCMS study in the negative ion mode of GSSH and GSO<sub>2</sub>H and glutathione sulfinic acid formed in the reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7.

## S14. LC-MS/MS of GSSnSO<sub>2</sub>H product



**Figure S14.** Orbitrap LCMS MS/MS study of glutathione sulfinic acid formed in the reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7.



**Figure S15.** Orbitrap LCMS MS/MS study of GSS<sub>n</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> products formed in the reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH 7.



**Figure S16.** Orbitrap LCMS MS/MS study of GSNS<sub>n</sub>A<sub>2</sub> products formed in the reaction of GSNO (1 mM) with Na<sub>2</sub>S (5 mM) and IA (5 mM) in iP buffer at pH **7**.