Figure 1: Proposed mechanism for Hacac and O<sub>3</sub> on metal oxides

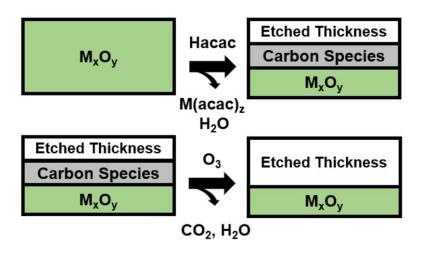


Figure 3: Time resolved QMS signal intensity for x5 Hacac, x1  $O_3$ , x1 Hacac dosing on  $VO_2$  shows two distinct etch products,  $VO(acac)_2$  and  $V(acac)_3$ , which decrease in intensity with each sequential Hacac dose, and increase after exposure to  $O_3$ .

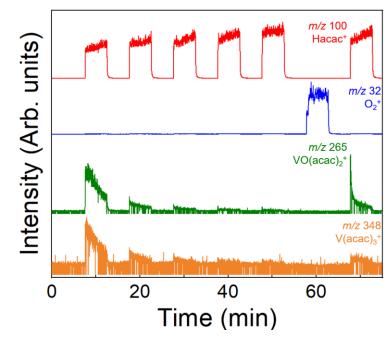


Figure 2: Zn(acac)<sub>2</sub> etch product during Hacac exposure on ZnO at 250 °C matches expected isotopic ratios

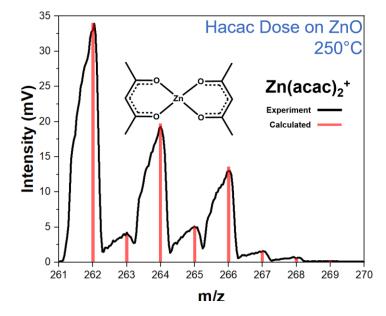


Figure 4: Overview of the survey of first row d-block metal oxides thermal etching with Hacac and  $O_3$  at 250°C

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