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The laboratory perspective



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Molecules detected in the TMC-1/CSM

Regular species, ions, exotic radicals, complex molecules

2	3	4		7	8-9	10-13
H ₂	PN	C ₃	OCS	c-C ₃ H ₂	C ₅ H	CH ₂ C ₃ H ₃
AlF	SO	C ₂ H	NaCN		I-H ₂ C ₄	(CH ₃) ₂ CO
AlCl	SO ⁺	C ₂ O		C ₄ Si	C ₂ H ₄	(CH ₂ OH) ₂
C ₂	SiN	C ₂ S	C ₃ O	I-C ₃ H ₂	CH ₃ CN	CH ₃ CH ₂ CHO
CH	SiO	C ₂ H ₂	NH ₂	c-C ₃ H ₂	CH ₃ NH ₂	
C ₃				CH ₂ H ₂	CH ₂ CN	H ₂ C ₆
C ₄			HCO	CH ₂ CN		CH ₂ OHCHO
CO	HF	HCO ⁺	SiCN	HCN	c-C ₂ H ₄ O	HC ₃ N
CO ⁺	SH	HCS ⁺	SiNC	HCOH ⁺	CH ₂ CHOH	. ₃ OC ₂ H ₅)
CP	CF ⁺	HOC ⁺		HCOOH	C ₆ H ⁻	(C ₆ H ₆)
SiC	FeO	H ₂ O ⁺		H ₂ CHN	C ₅ N	
HCl	SiH			H ₂ CO	H ₂ C ₂ O	HC ₃ CH ₂ OH
KCl	O ₂			H ₂ CN	H ₂ N ₂ CN	HC ₇ N
NH	CN ⁻	HNO		H ₂ CS	H ₂ N ₂ CN ⁻	C ₈ H
NO		MgCN		H ₃ O ⁺		CH ₃ CONH ₂
NS		MgNC				C ₈ H ⁻
NaCl		N ₂ H ⁺				LARGE STUFF
OH		N ₂ O		CH ₃	C ₄ H ⁻	PAHS ?
					CCCN ⁻	C ₆₀ , C ₇₀

Reactions in the gas phase

Reactions on icy grains

Gas-grain interactions

Thermal processing

VUV irradiation

Ly- α

Molecule reservoir
~ Third body \rightarrow catalyst

10-100 ML

$\sim 0.1 - 1 \mu\text{m}$

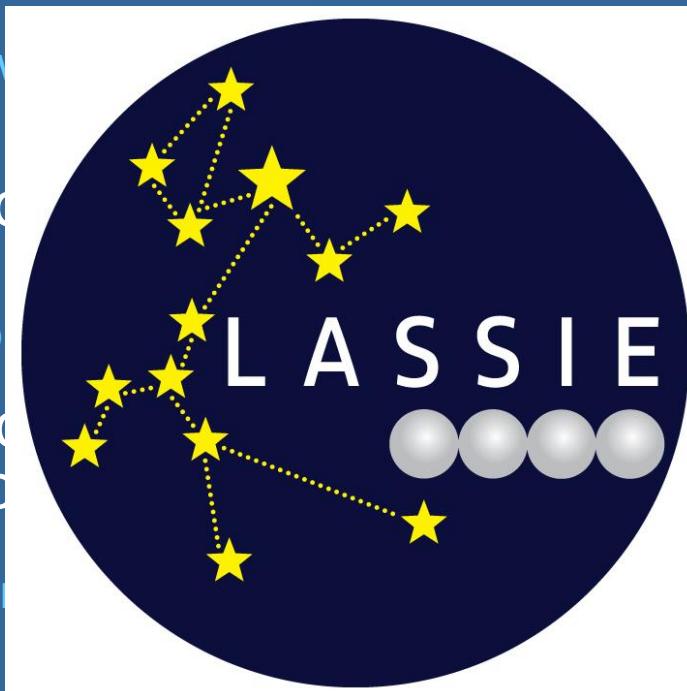
Atom bombardment

H, N, O,
C, S, D

Interactions with e^- and
cosmic rays

Research goals in solid state ice chemistry

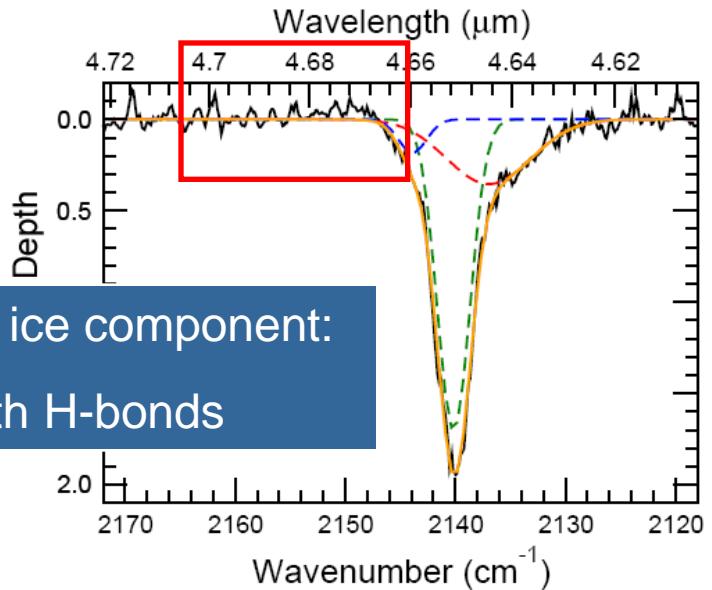
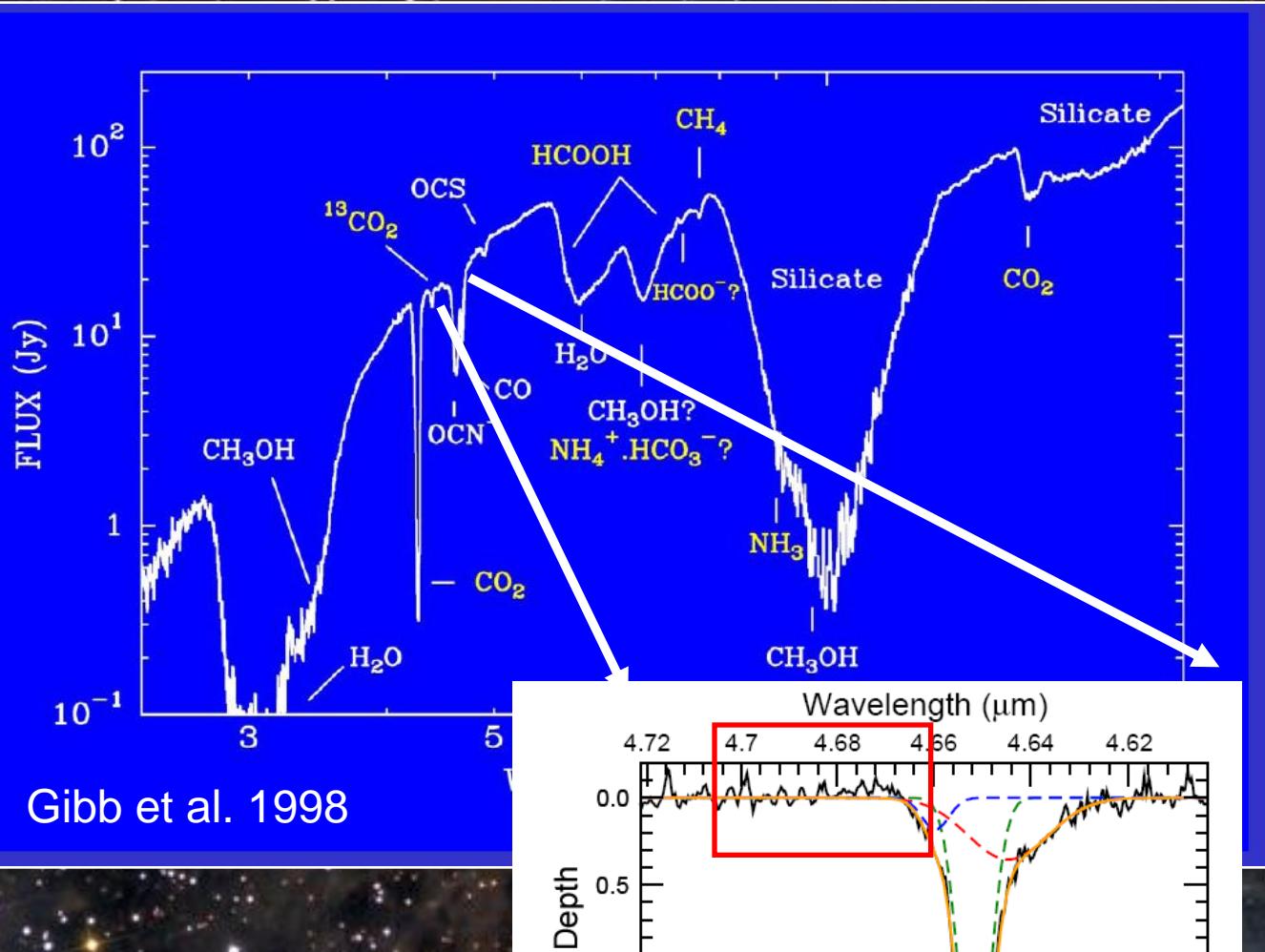
- ▶ Spectroscopy of ice (IR & UV/VIS).
- ▶ Physical ice behavior: thermal desorption & ice segregation.
Burke and Brown et al. A&A, 2011.
- ▶ Atom addition.
Watanabe and et al. and Ioppo
- ▶ VUV photodissociation and photodissociation.
Caro et al. Science, 2005.
- ▶ Cosmic ray, ion and γ -radiation of ice
Palumbo et al. A&A 2006.
- ▶ Molecular complexity in ice, where does it end ?



RAS 2004, Fayolle et al. A&A 2007, Cuppen et al. A&A 2009.
ions in ice.
photodesorption, and ApJ 2009.

1. Spectroscopy of ice

CO ice: water poor or water rich ?



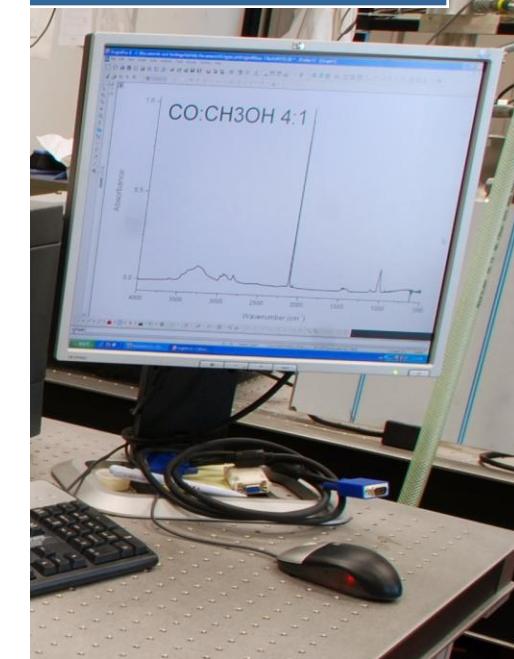
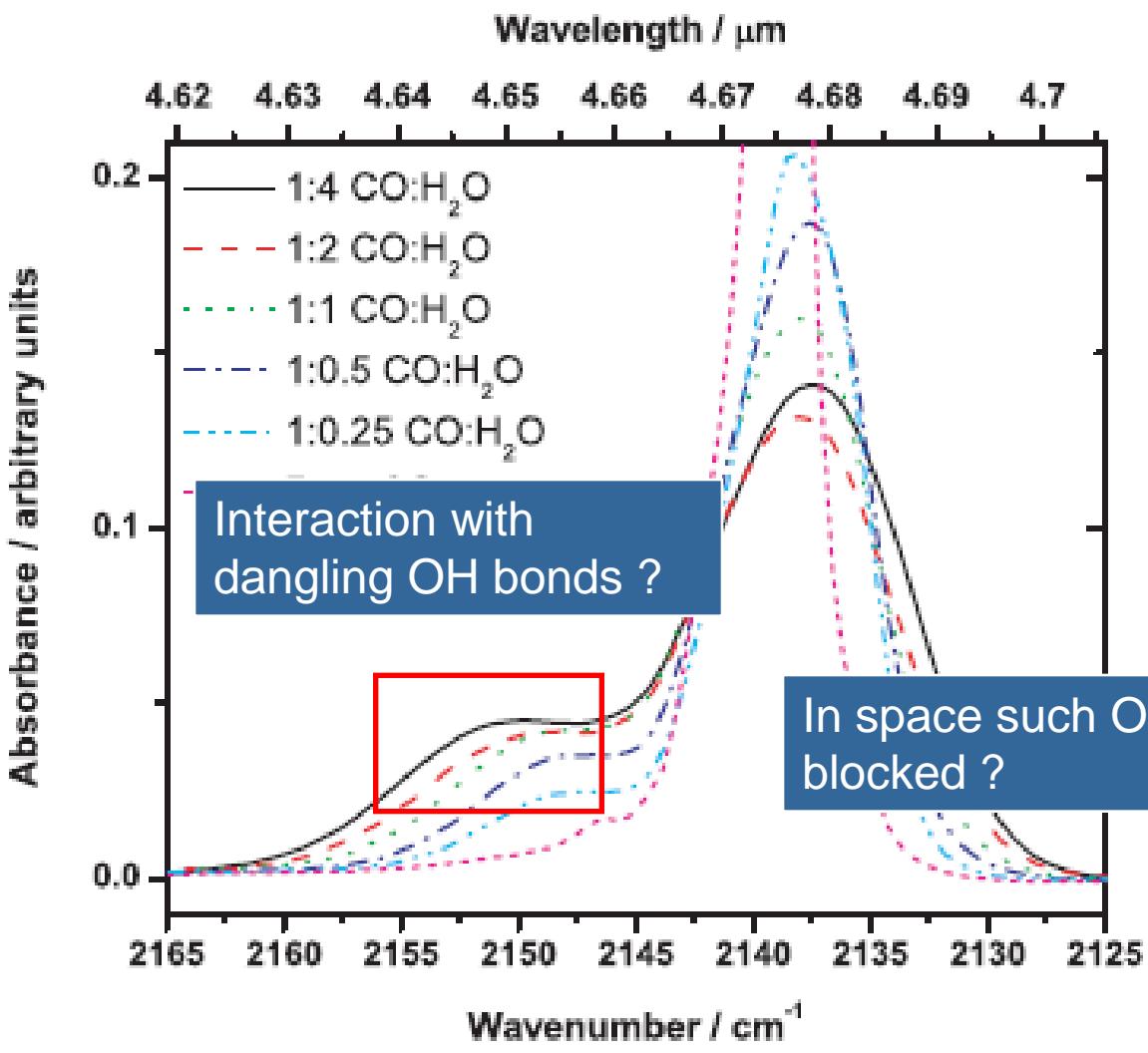
H₂O
CO₂
CO
NH₃
CH₃OH
CH₄
H₂CO
HCOOH
OCS
HCN



Cryostat – 15K

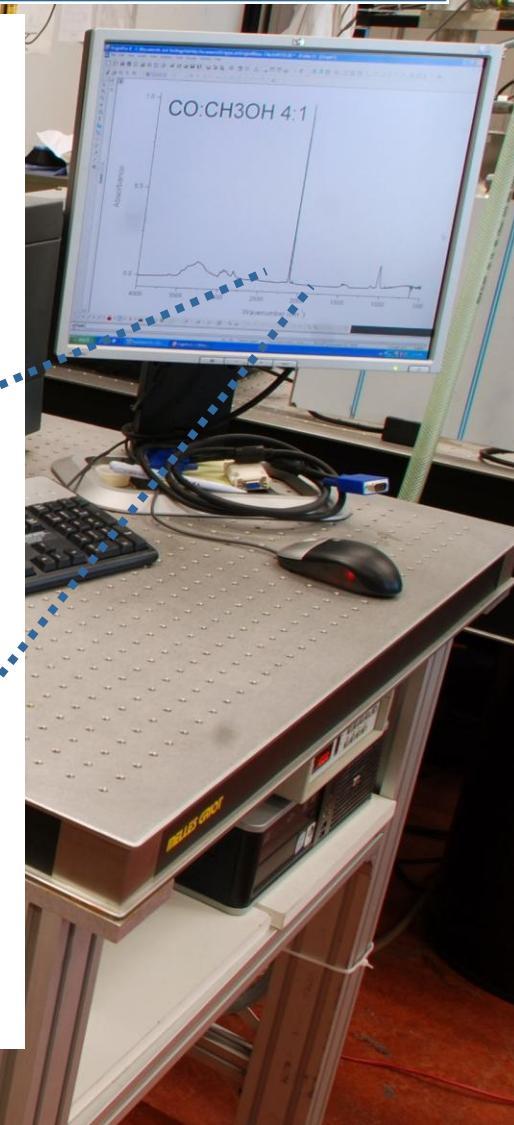
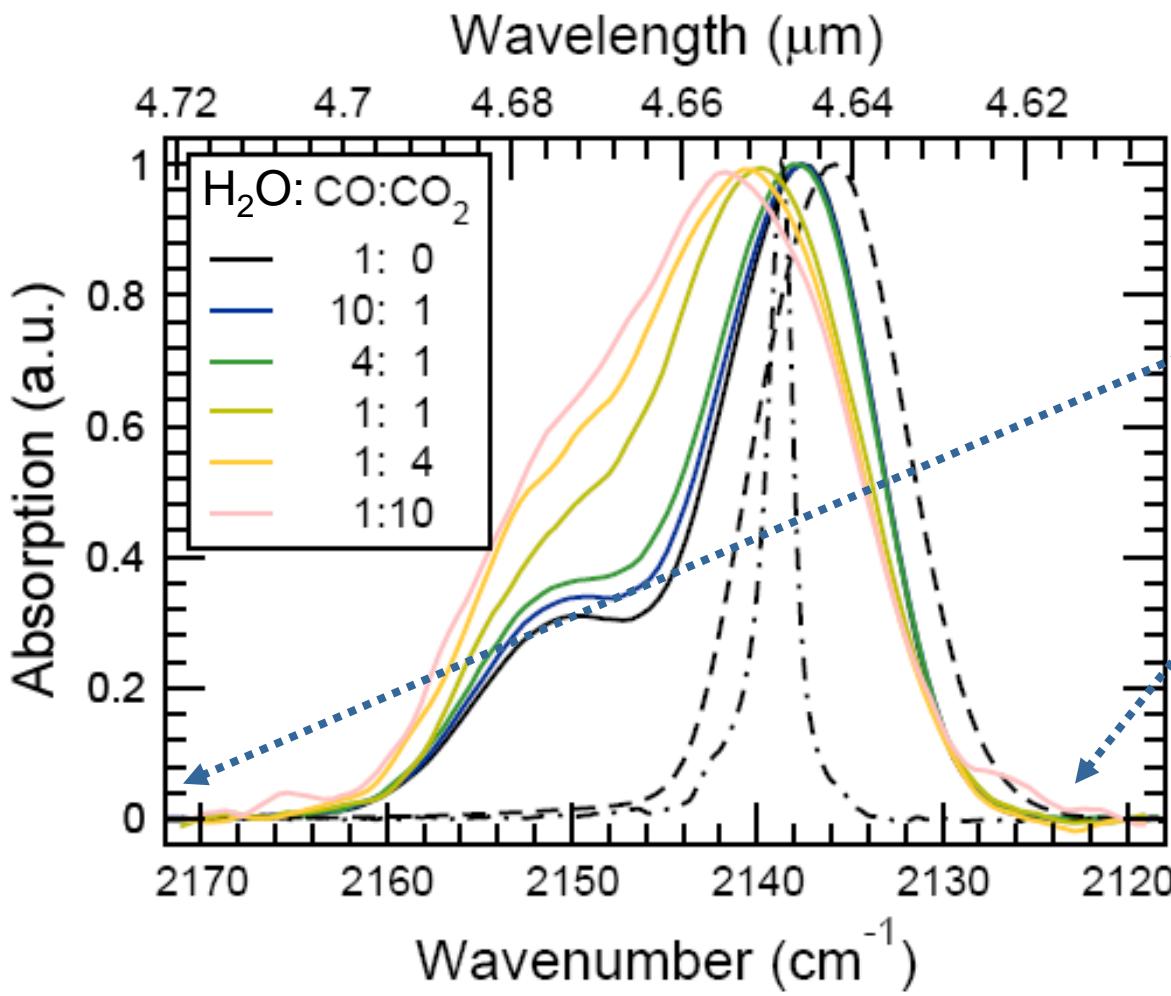


Transmission experiment



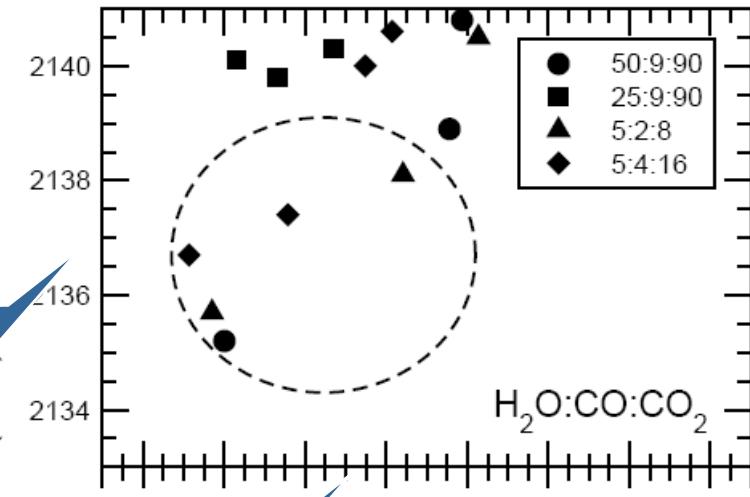
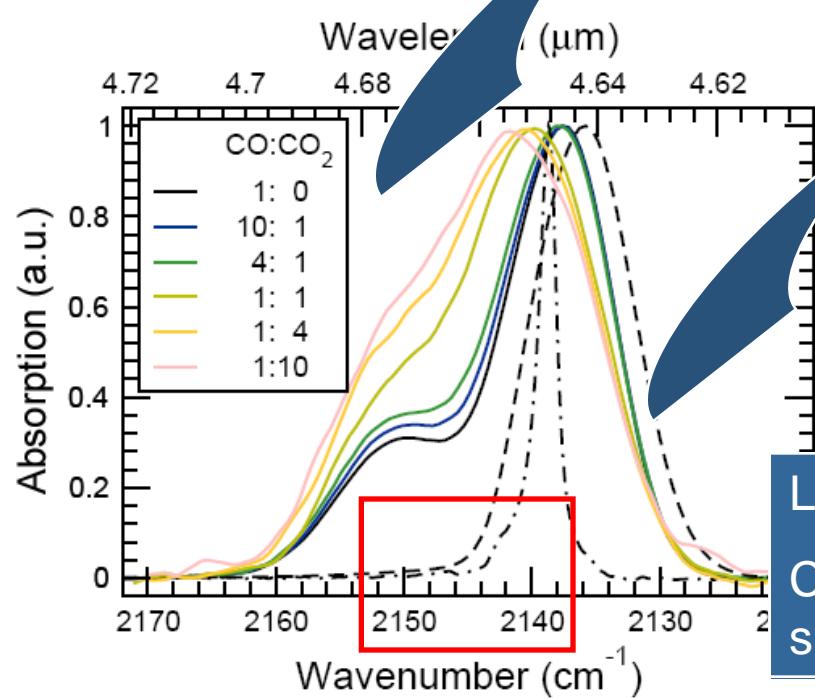
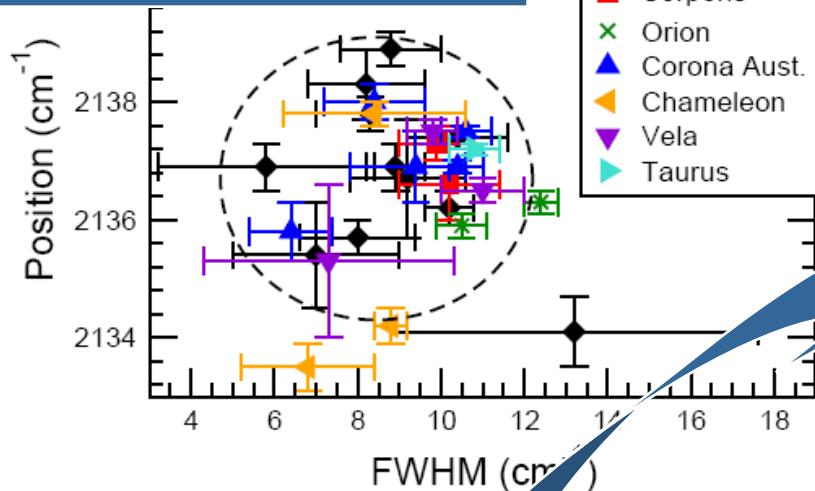
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Astronomical observations

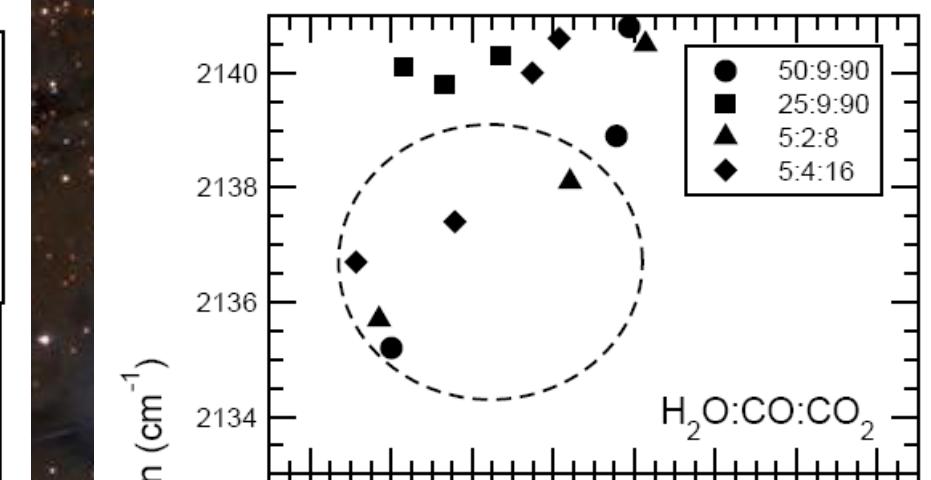
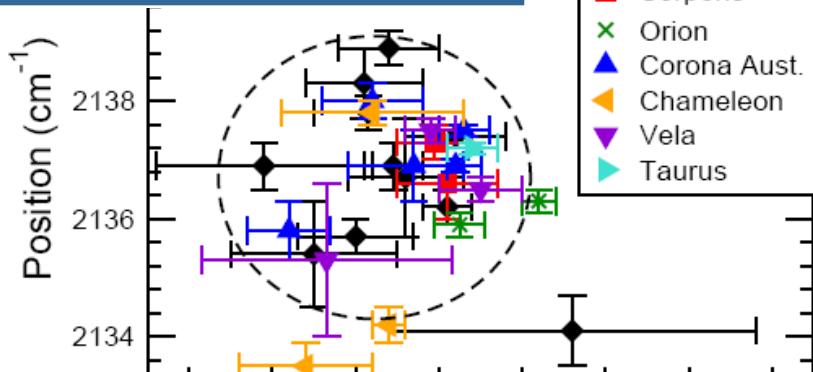
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Laboratory data
Cuppen et al. MNRAS,
submitted

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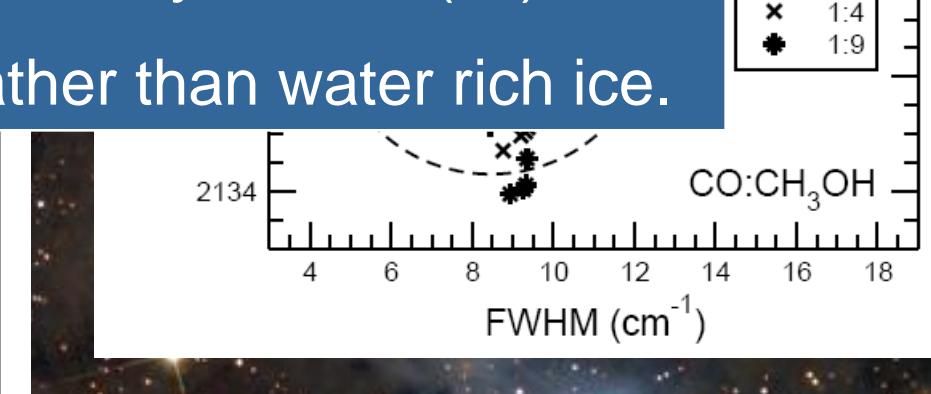
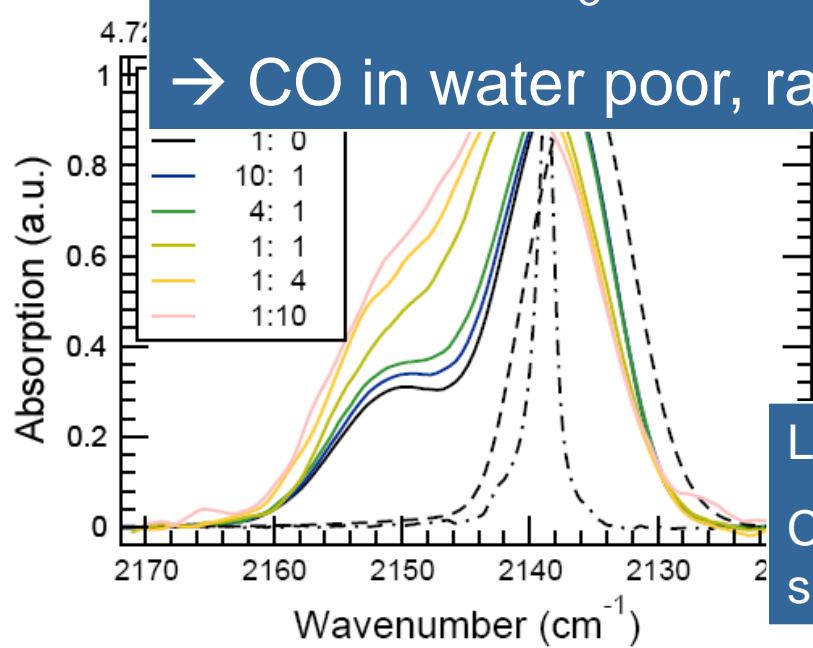
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Astrochemical consequences:

→ CO and CH₃OH chemically related (...)

→ CO in water poor, rather than water rich ice.



Laboratory data

Cuppen et al. MNRAS,
submitted

2. Atom addition reactions



Hiraoka et al. ApJ. 1998/2002, Watanabe et al. ApJ 2002-2004, Fuchs et al. A&A 2007



Mokrane et al. ApJ 2009, Dulieu et al. A&A, 2010,



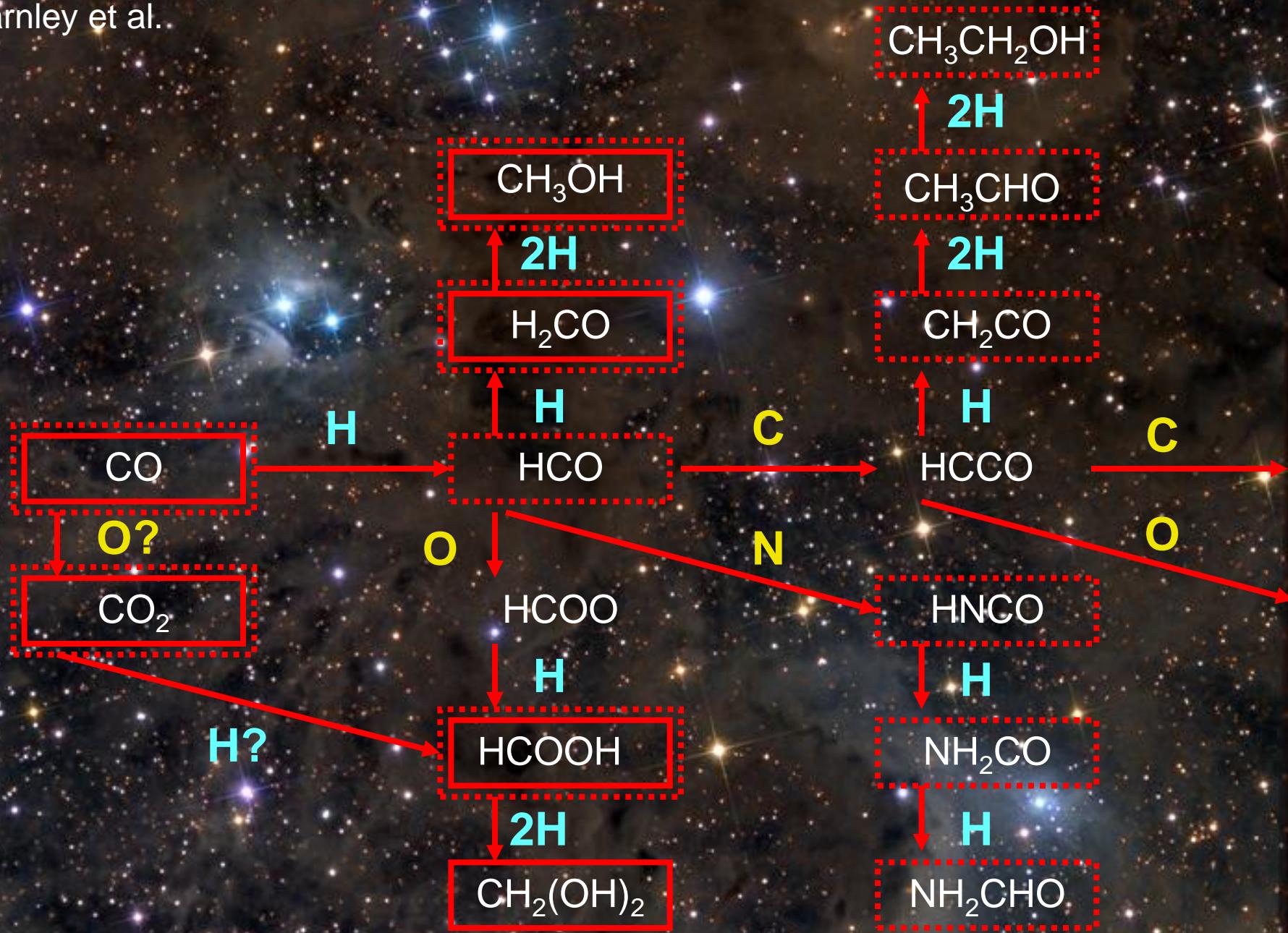
Miyauchi et al. CPL 2008, Ioppolo et al. ApJ 2008, Oba et al. ApJ 2009, Ioppolo et al. PCCP 2010, Cuppen et al. PCCP 2010



Romanzin et al. JCP 2011

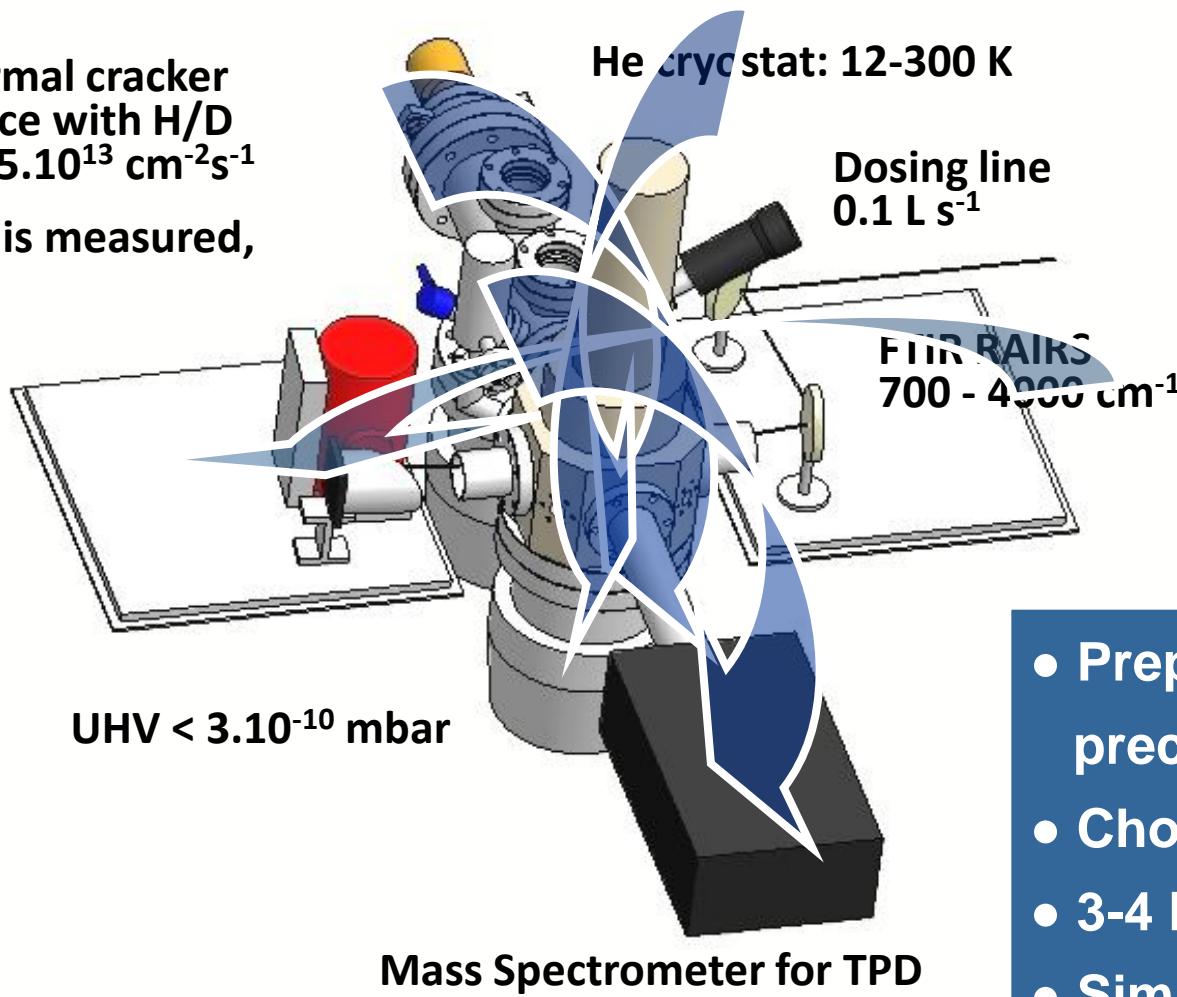


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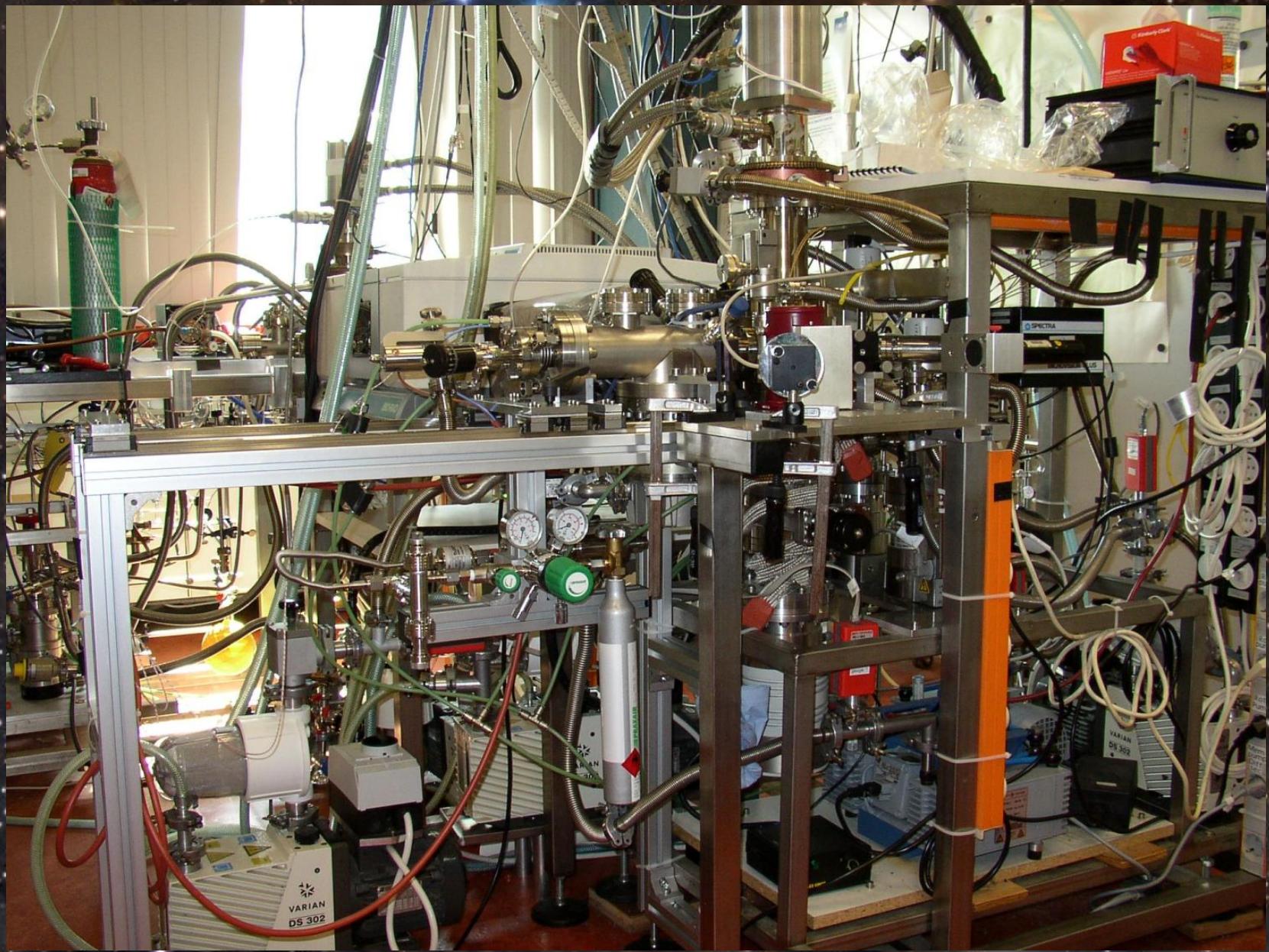


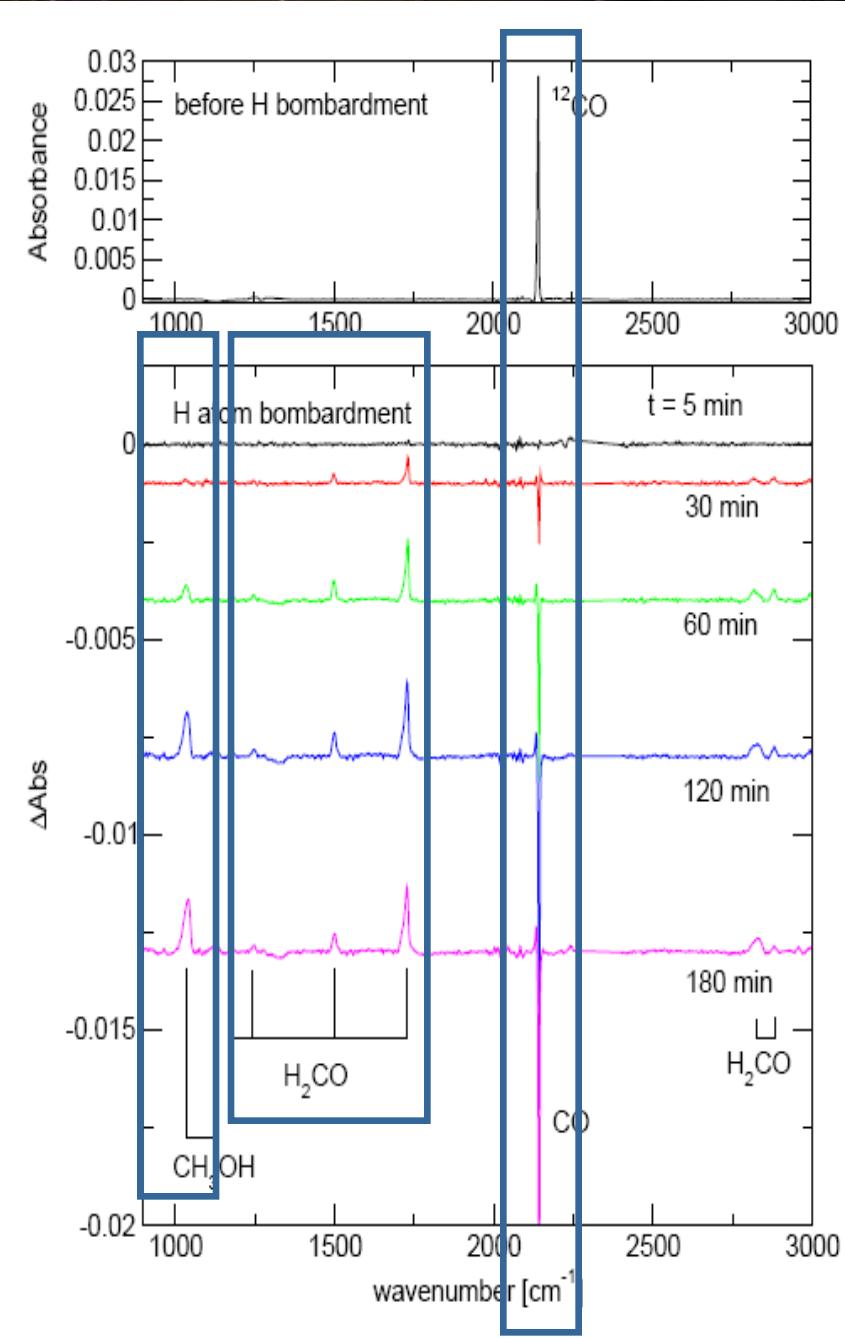
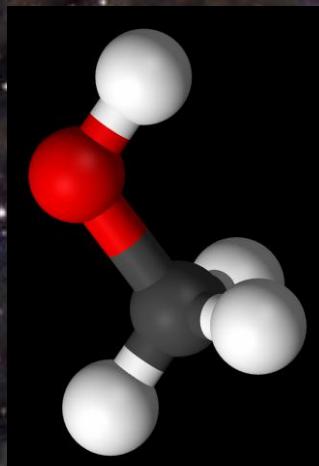
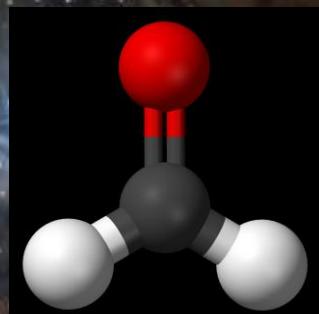
Hydrogenation reactions

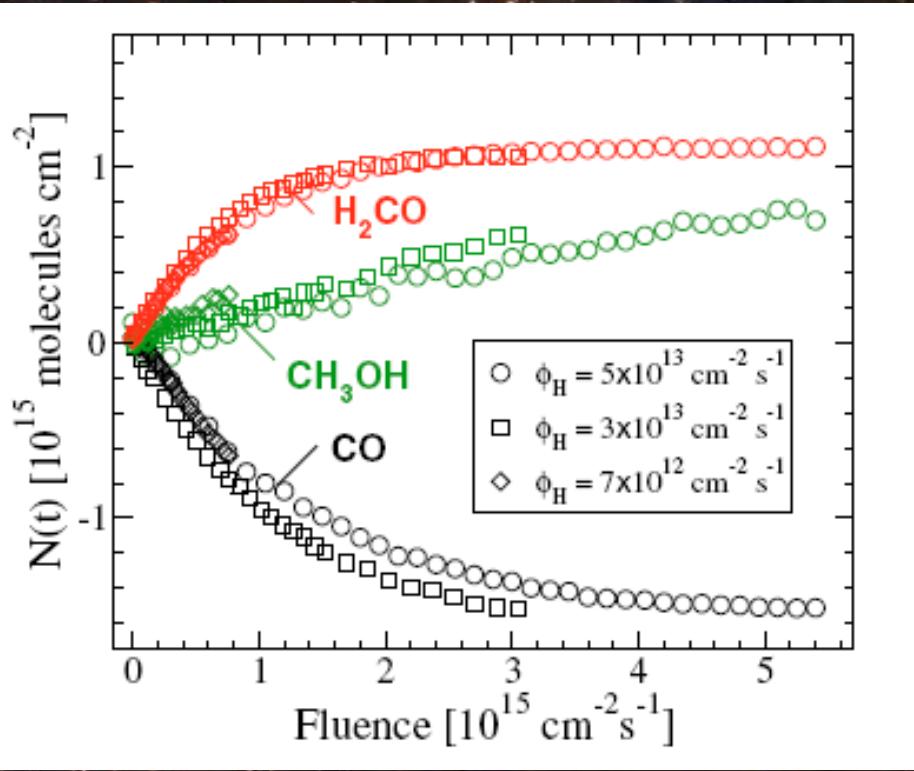
Thermal cracker source with H/D flux $5 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
Flux is measured,



- Prepare ice – ML precision
- Choose final T
- 3-4 hrs H or D-flux
- Simultaneous RAIRS
- TPD finishing touch







Fuchs et al. and Cuppen et al. A&A 2009

Using Monte Carlo simulations

- ▶ T-dependent reaction barriers / diffusion rates.
- ▶ Conversion towards interstellar conditions / timescales.

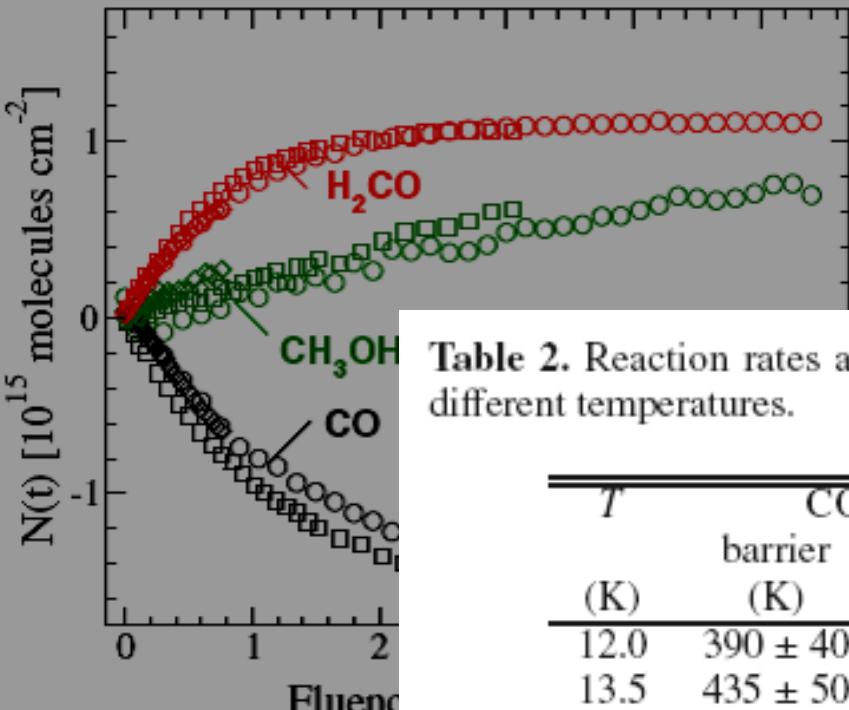


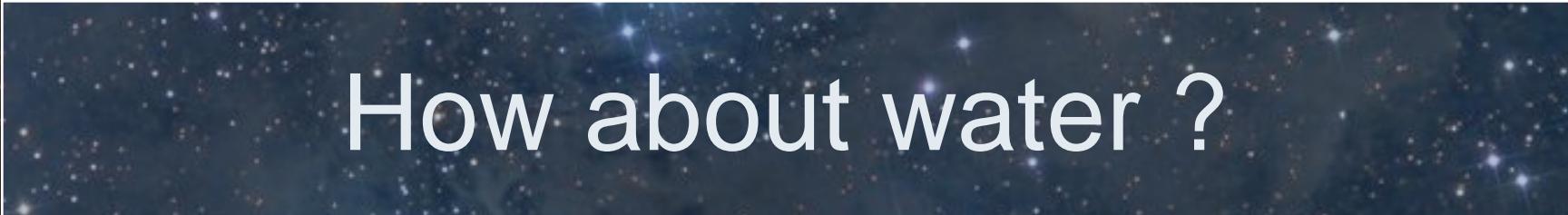
Table 2. Reaction rates and barriers for $\text{CO} + \text{H}$ and $\text{H}_2\text{CO} + \text{H}$ for different temperatures.

T (K)	$\text{CO} + \text{H}$		$\text{H}_2\text{CO} + \text{H}$	
	barrier (K)	rate (s $^{-1}$)	barrier (K)	rate (s $^{-1}$)
12.0	390 ± 40	2×10^{-3}	415 ± 40	2×10^{-4}
13.5	435 ± 50	2×10^{-3}	435 ± 50	2×10^{-3}
15.0	480 ± 60	3×10^{-3}	470 ± 60	5×10^{-3}
16.5	520 ± 70	4×10^{-3}	490 ± 70	2×10^{-2}

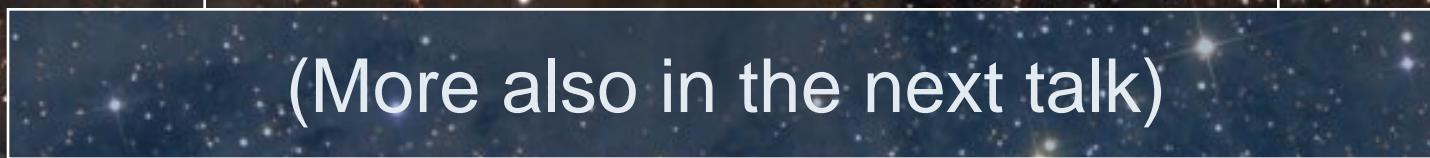
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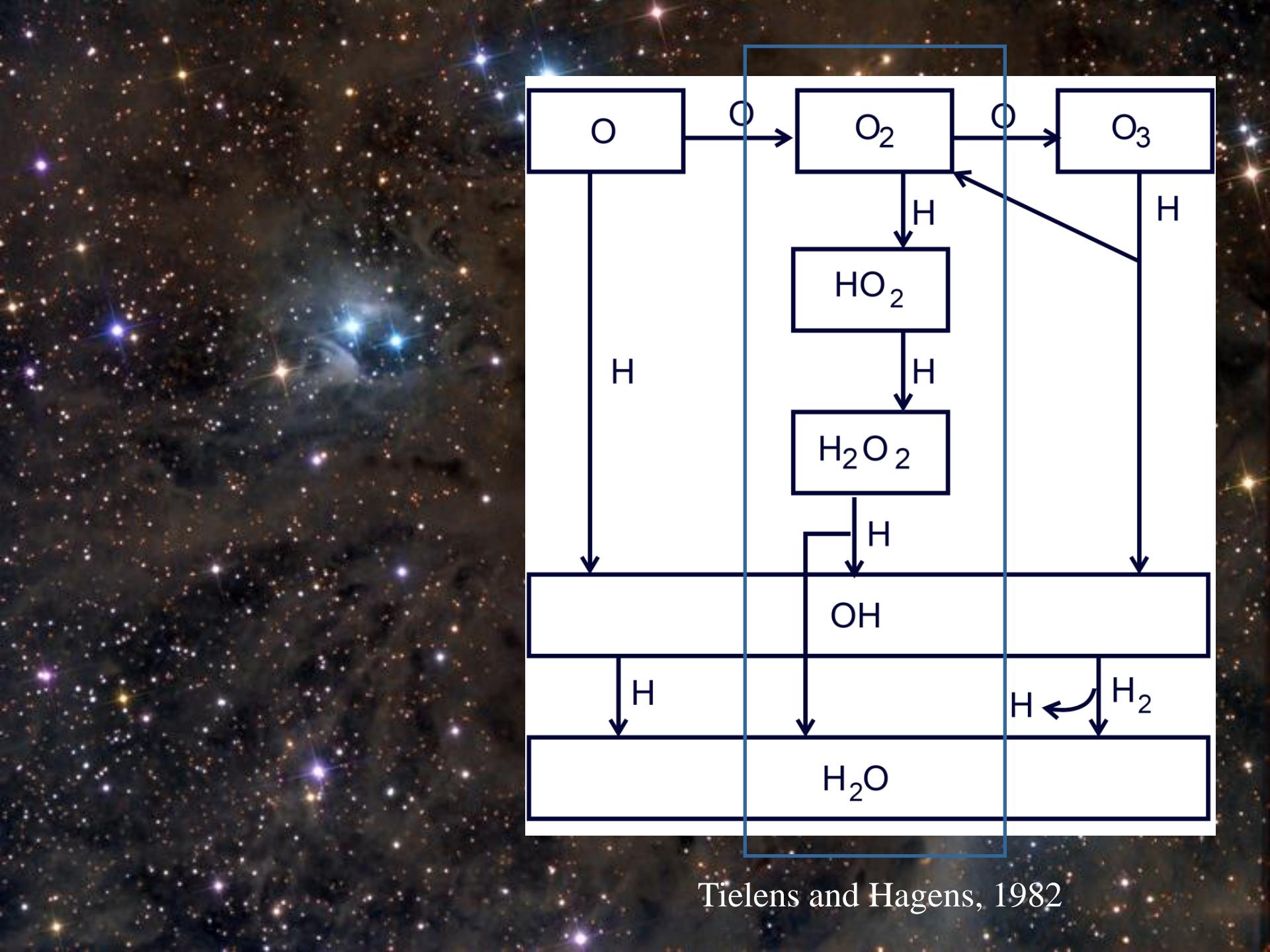
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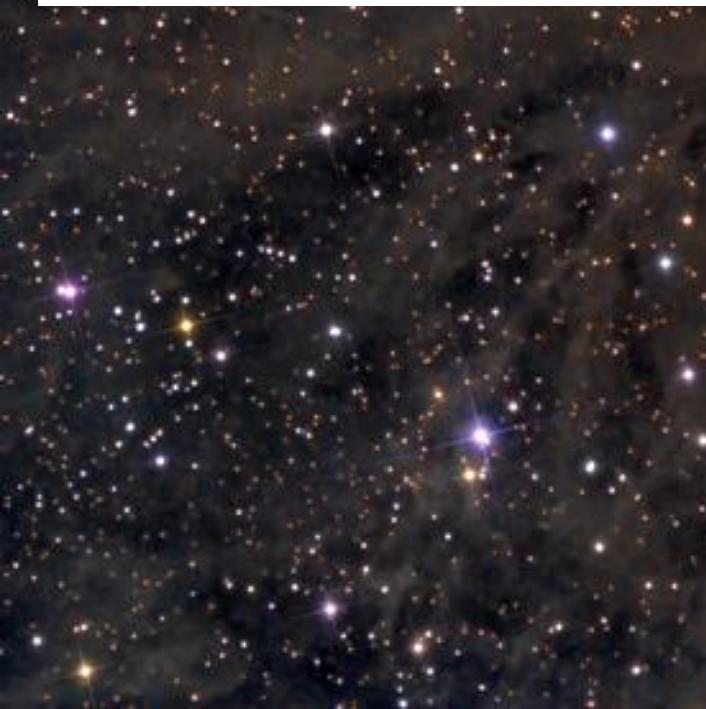
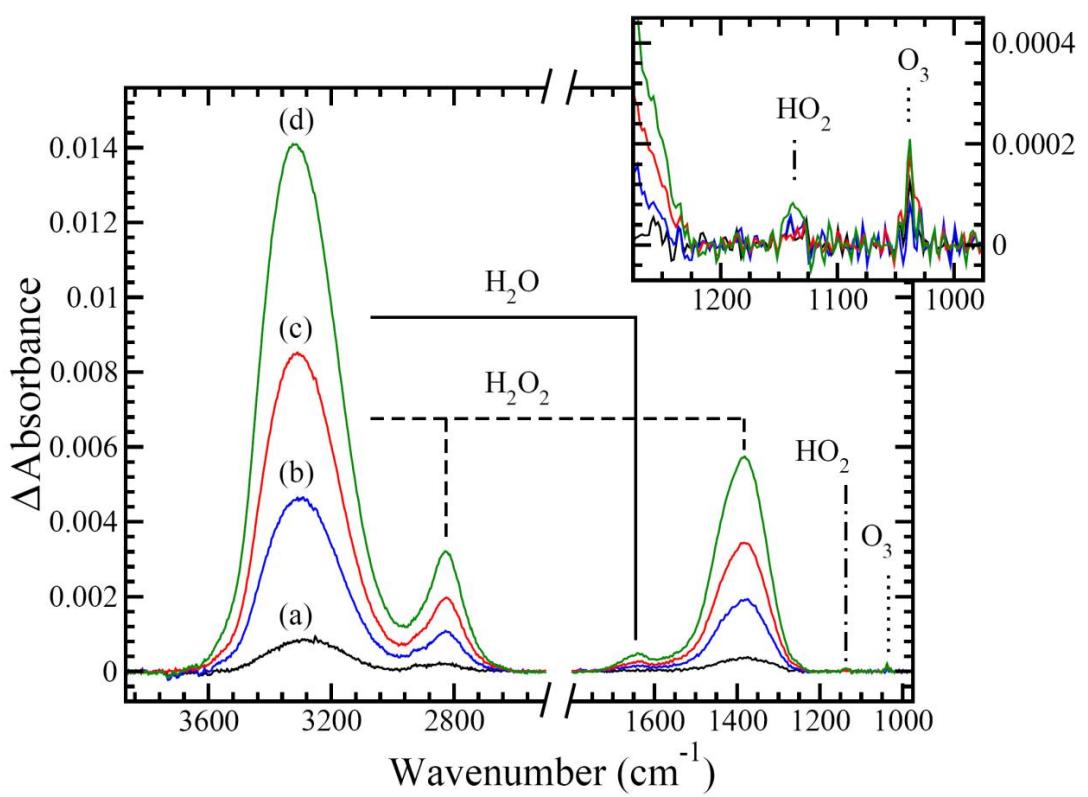
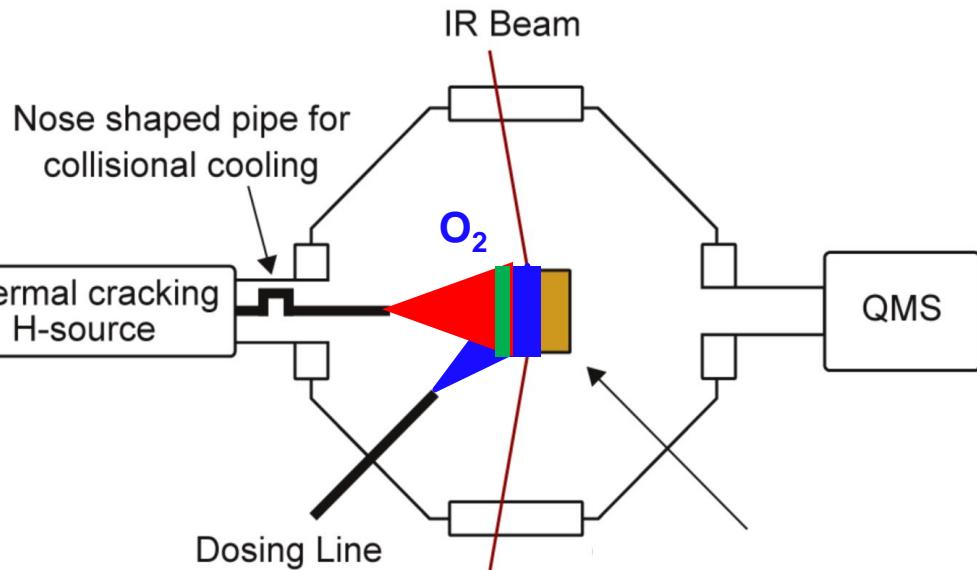
How about water ?

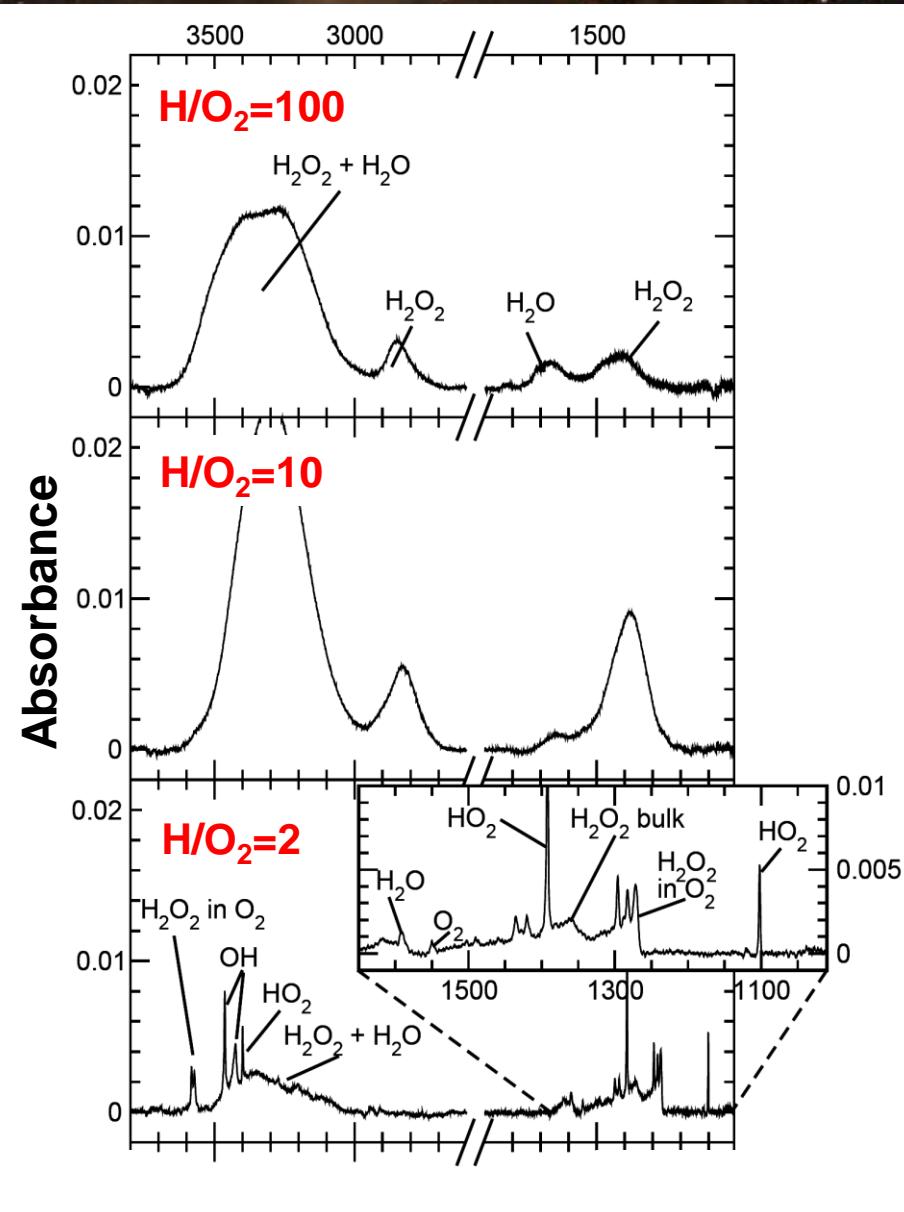
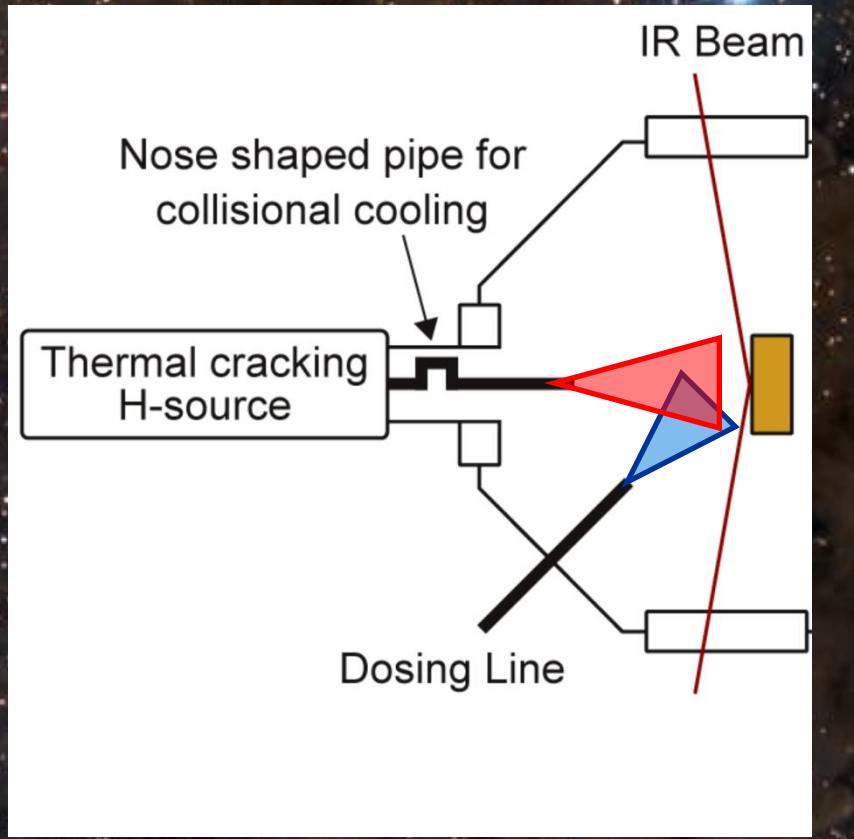


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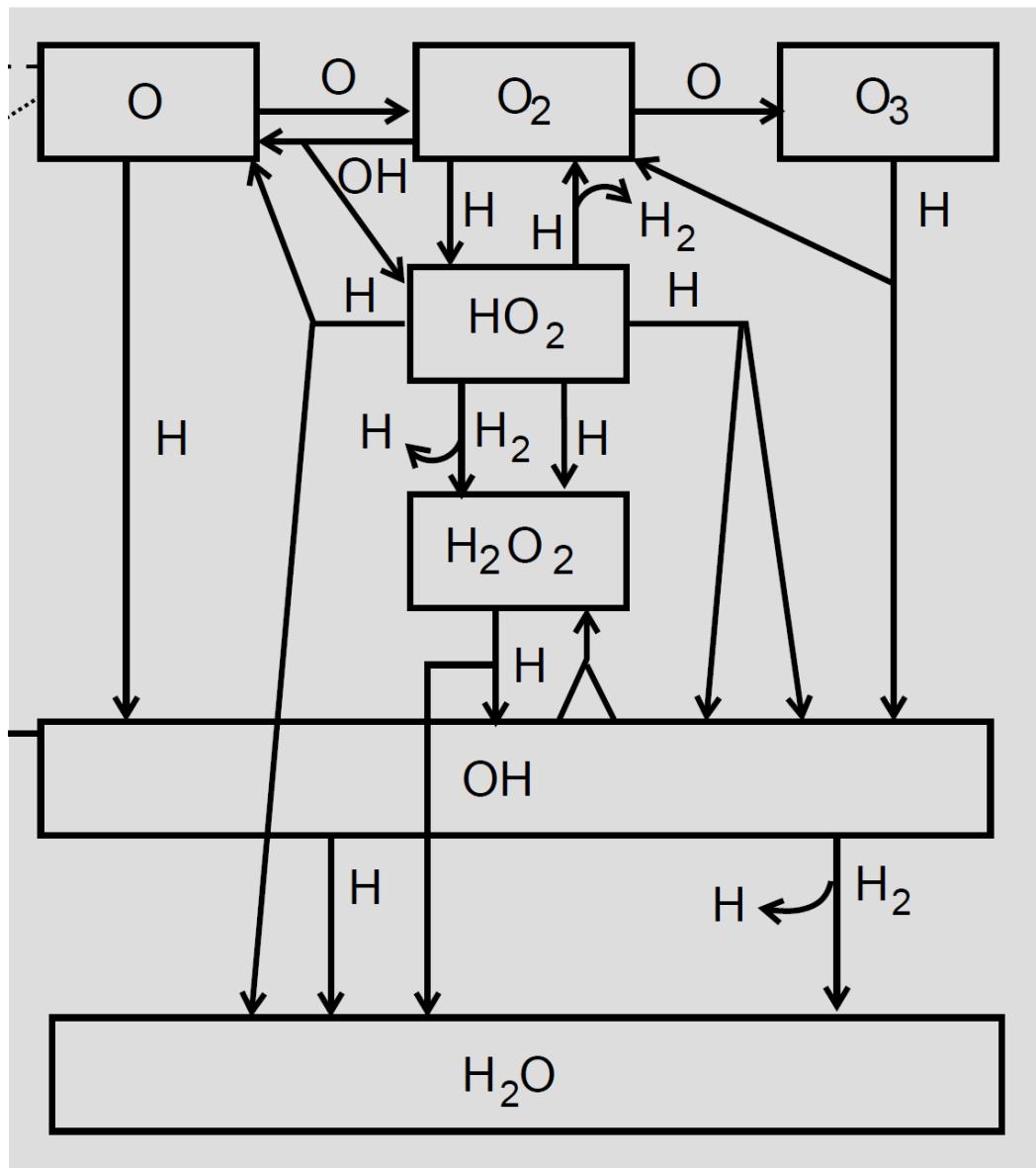


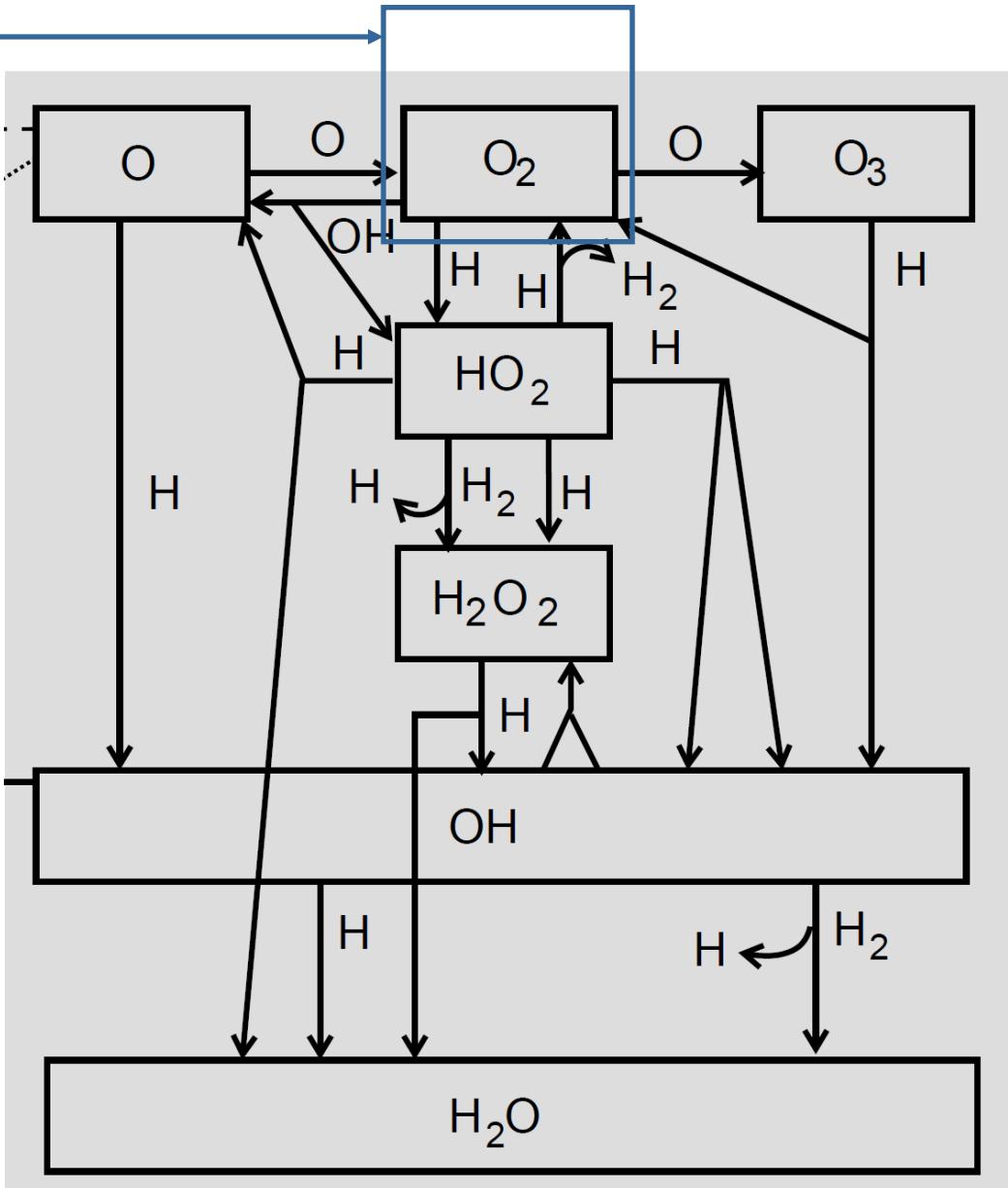
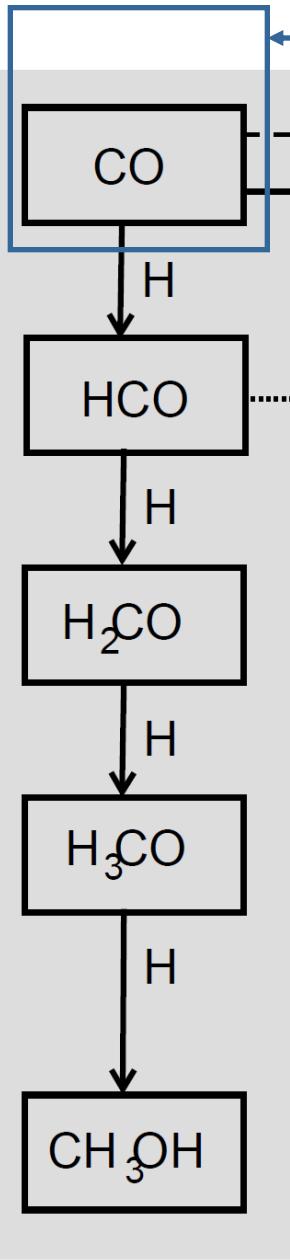
Tielens and Hagens, 1982

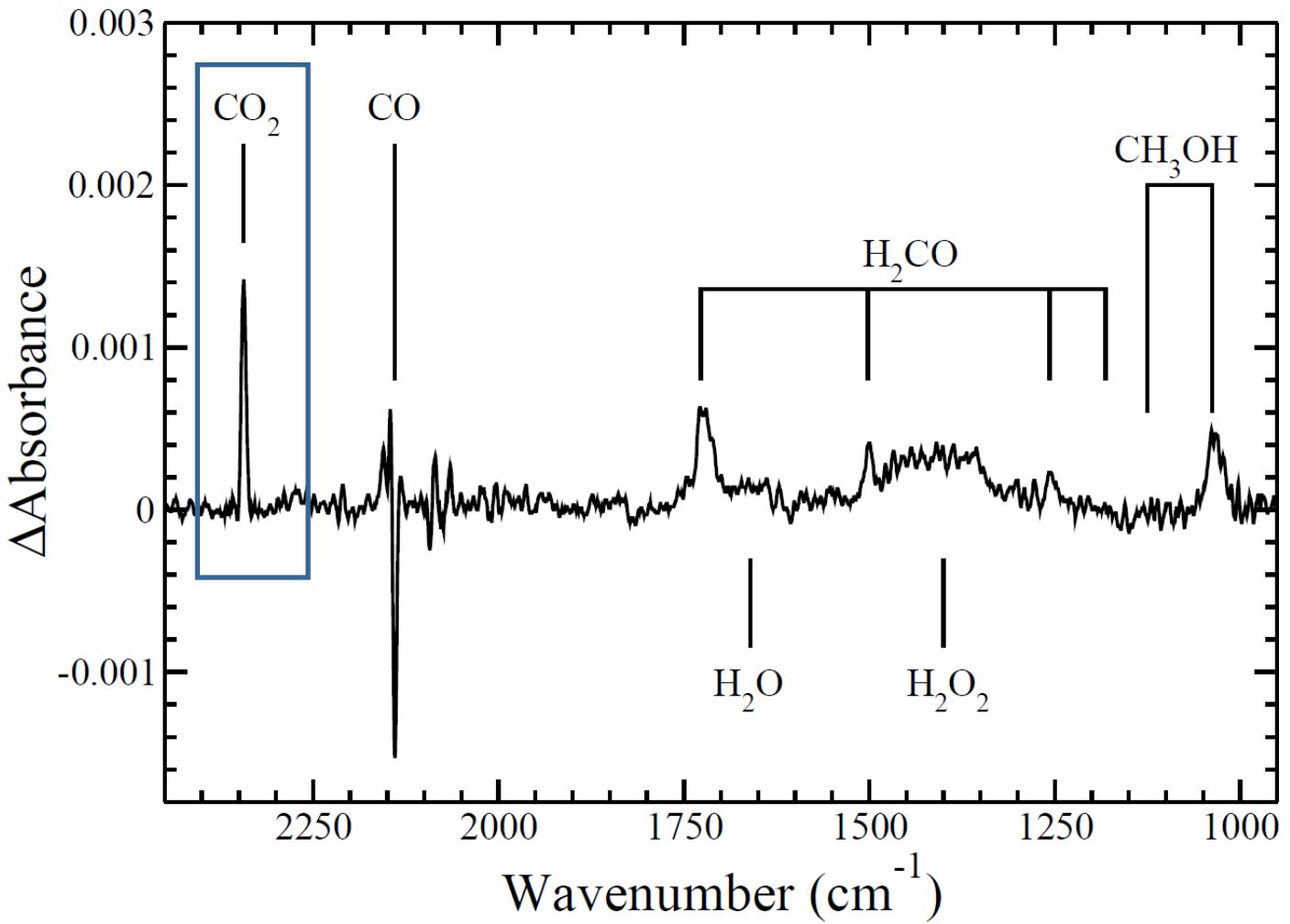


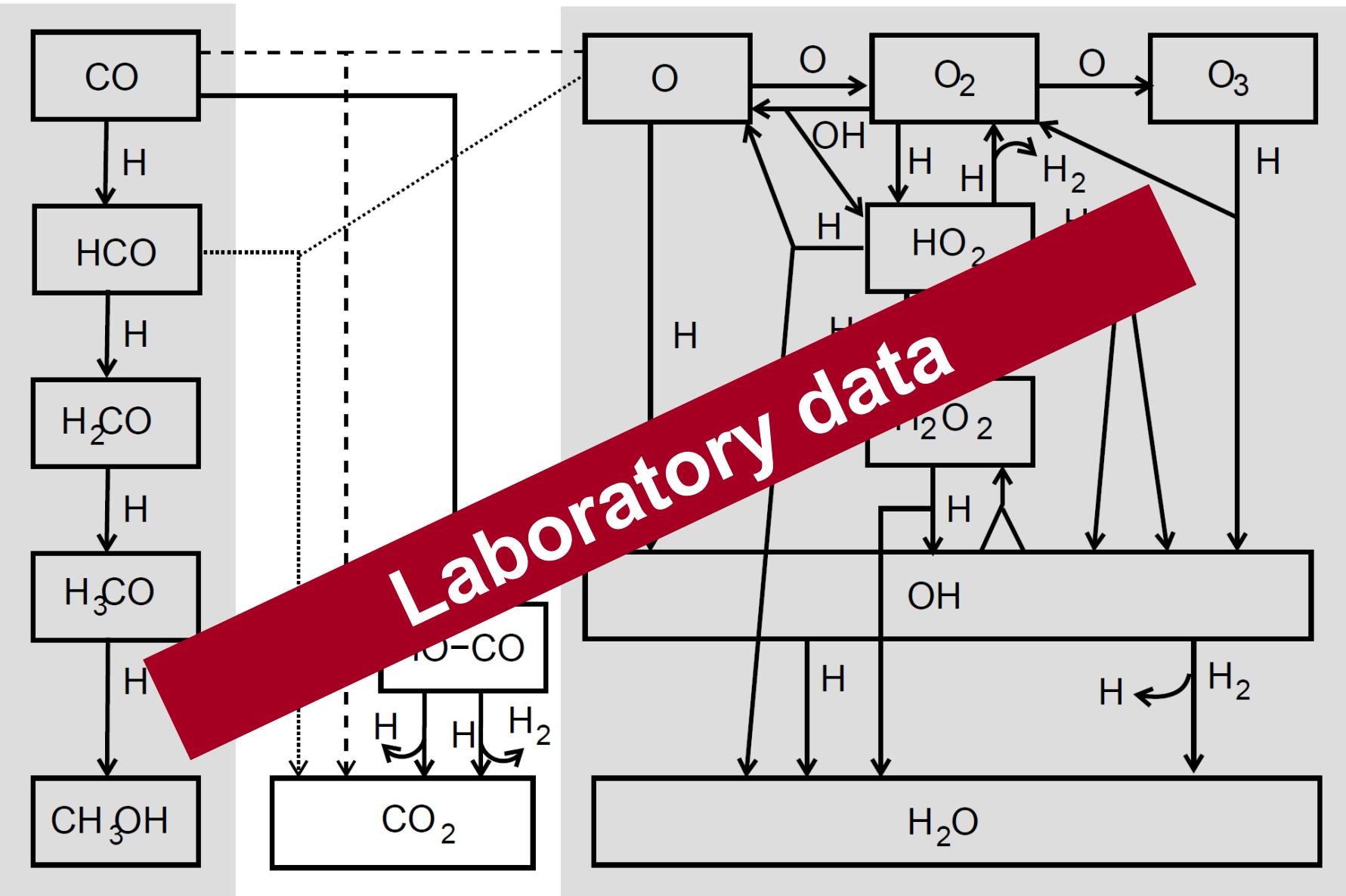


By changing H/O_2 ratio different stages of the reaction network can be probed.









3. VUV Spectroscopy of ice

Photo-desorption

Photo-processing

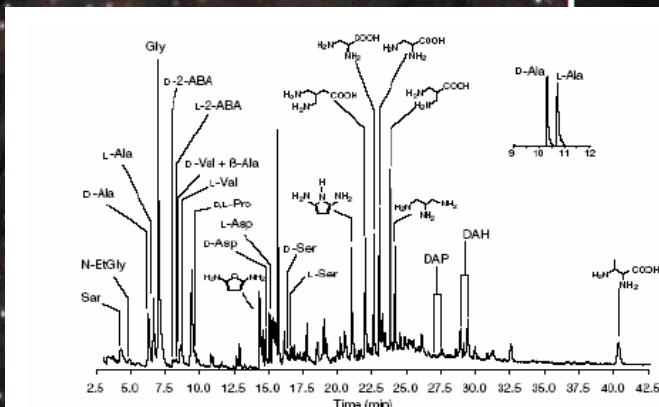
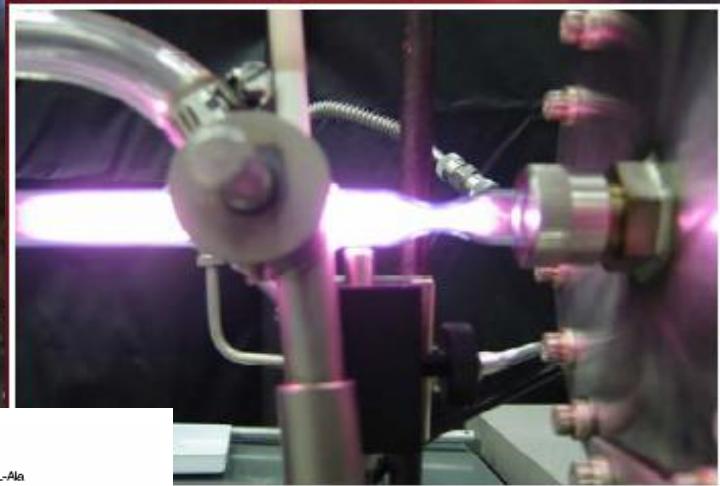


Fig. 2. Gas chromatogram showing a rich variety of amino acids and other compounds generated from a photo-processed ISM ice, containing H_2O , CH_3OH , NH_3 , CO and CO_2 . (Taken from G.M.M. Caro et al., Nature 416 (2002) 403.)

Caro et al.
Science 2002

UHV VUV Irradiation setup

Main chamber
 $8E^{-11}$ mbar

Au sample
10 K

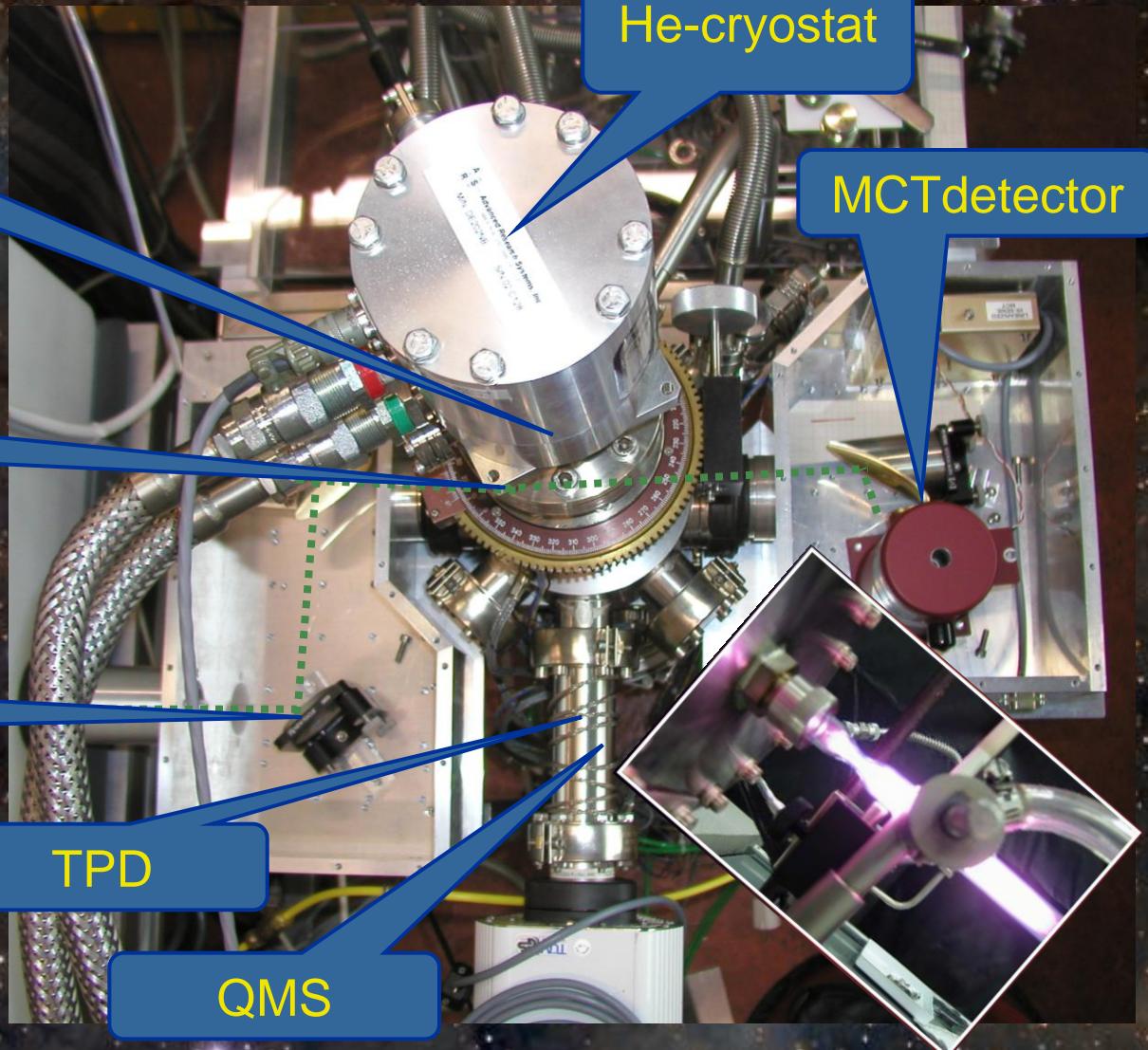
FTIR -
RAIRS

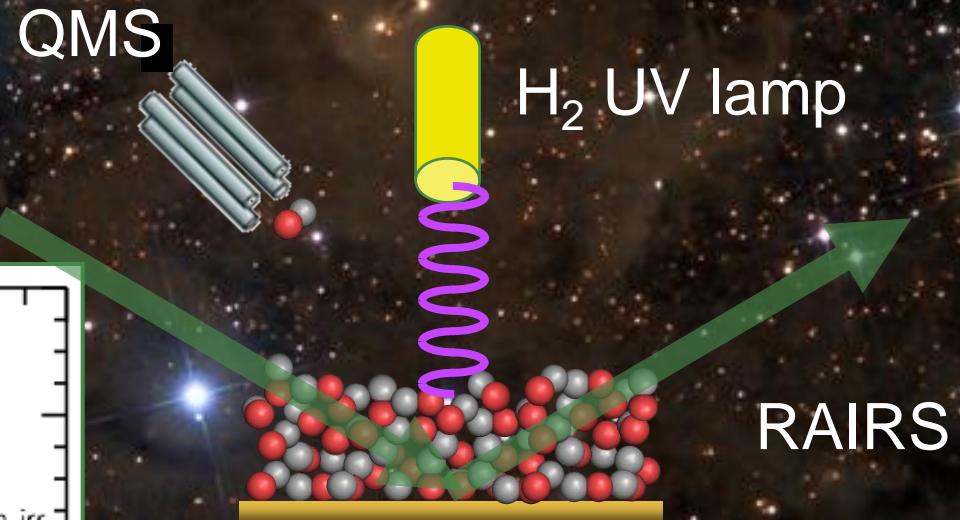
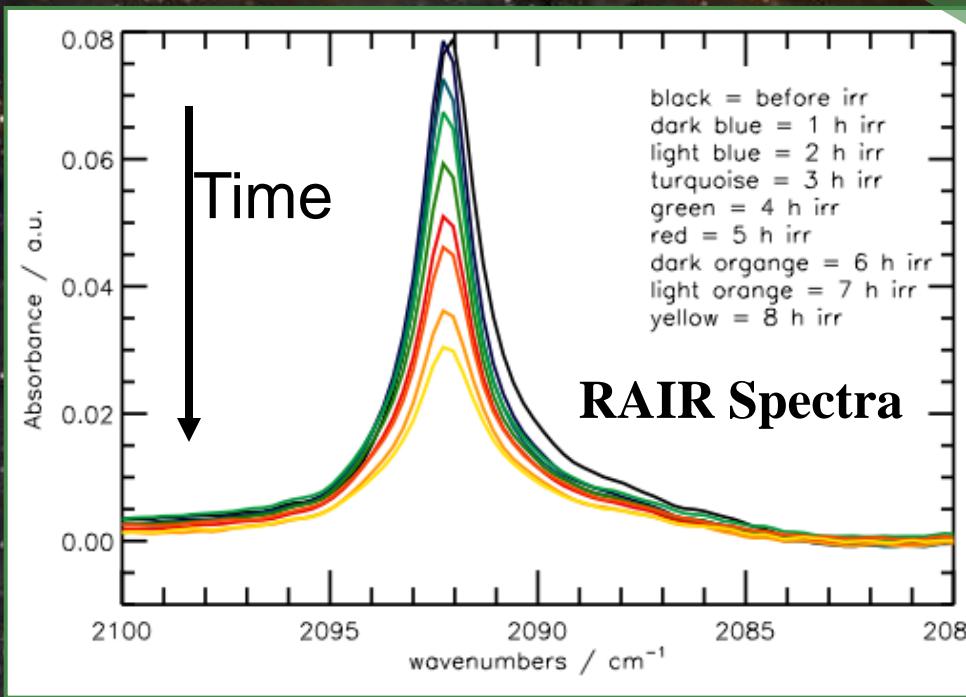
TPD

QMS

He-cryostat

MCTdetector



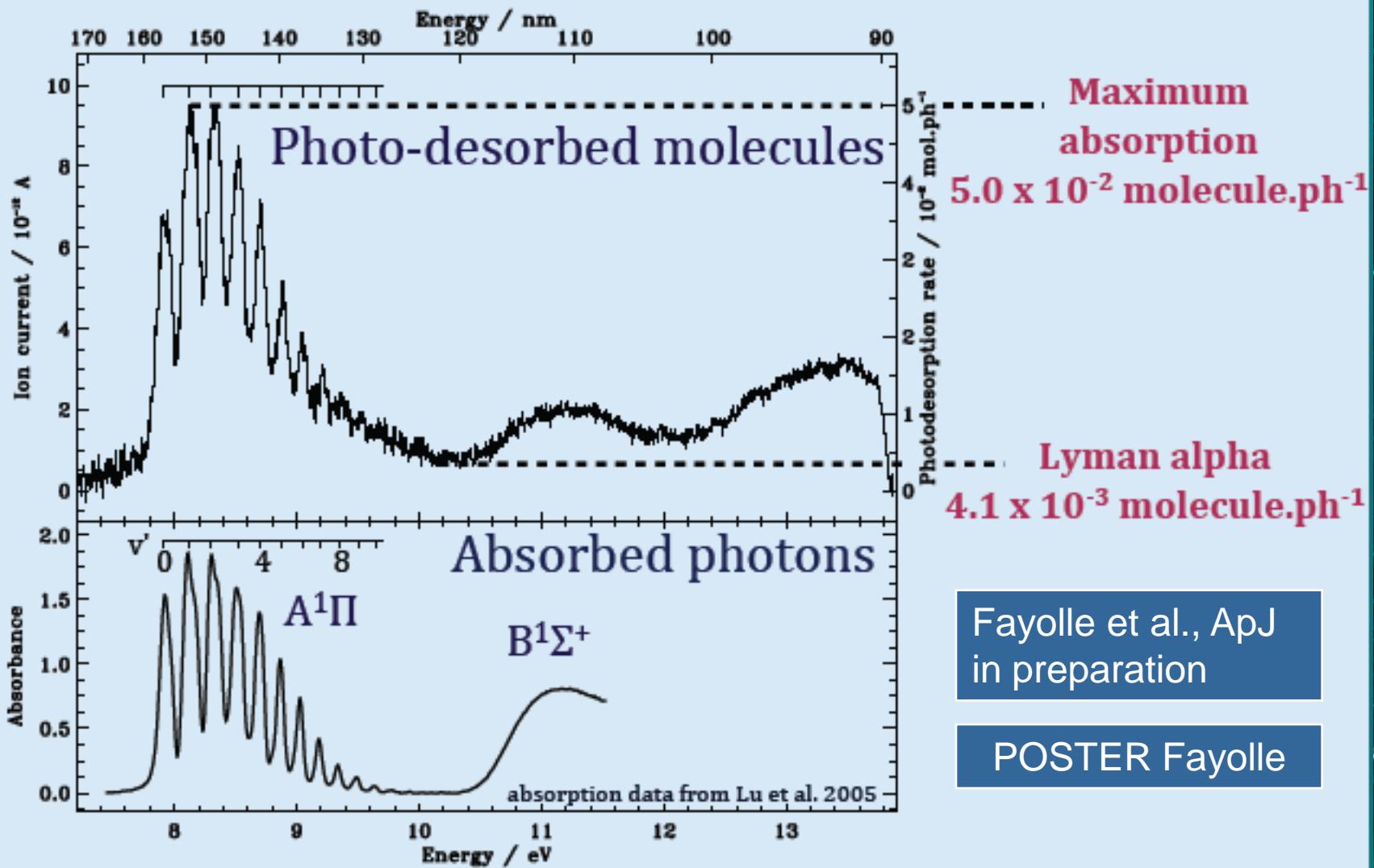


→ UV photodesorption rate

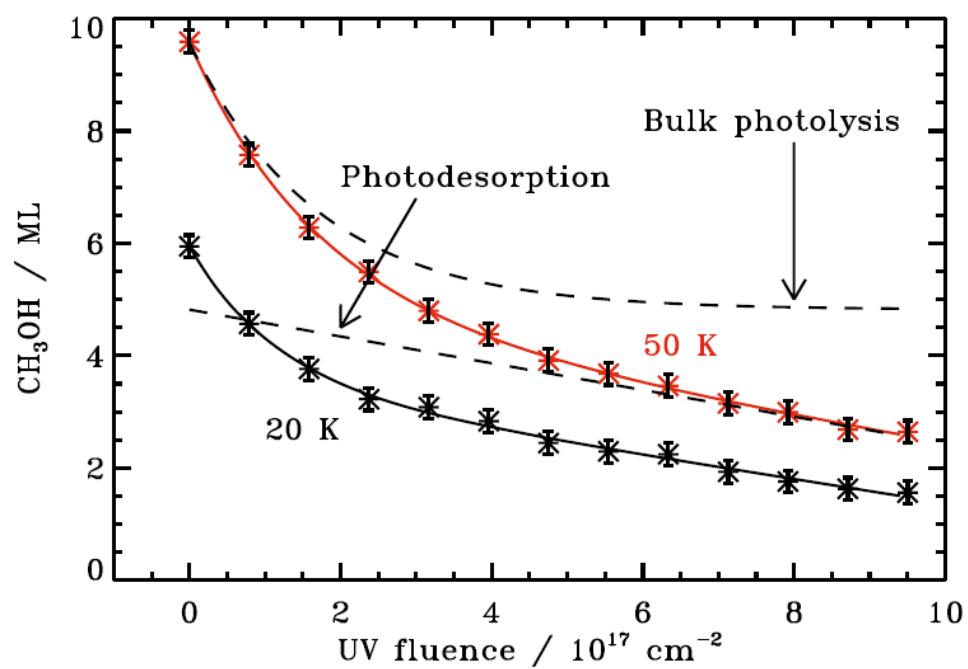
Oberg et al. 2007: 3.10^{-3} molecule / photon

Munoz-Caro et al. 2010: $3.5.10^{-2}$ molecule / photon

Frequency dependent CO ice photodesorption



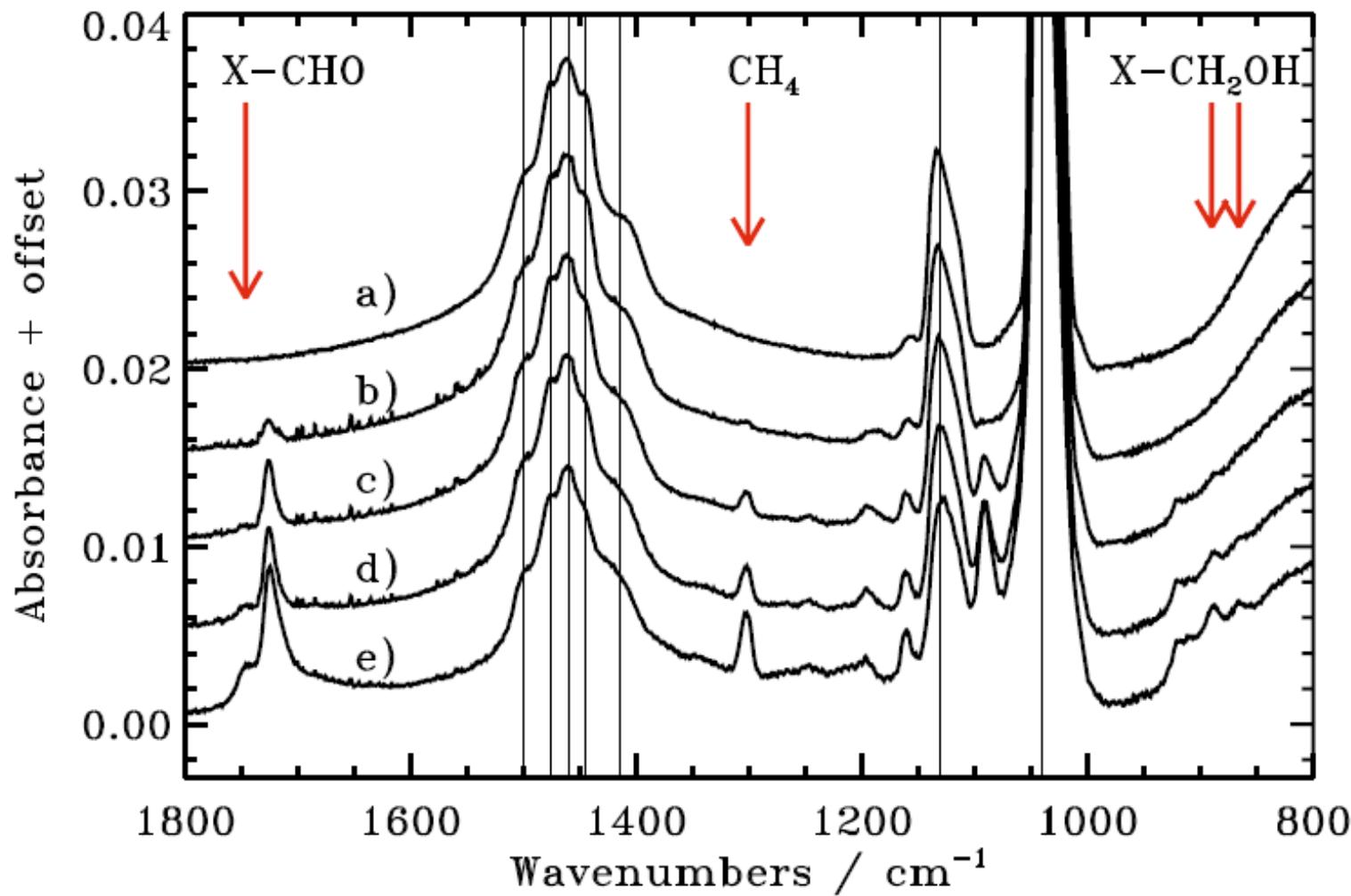
UV irradiation of methanol ice



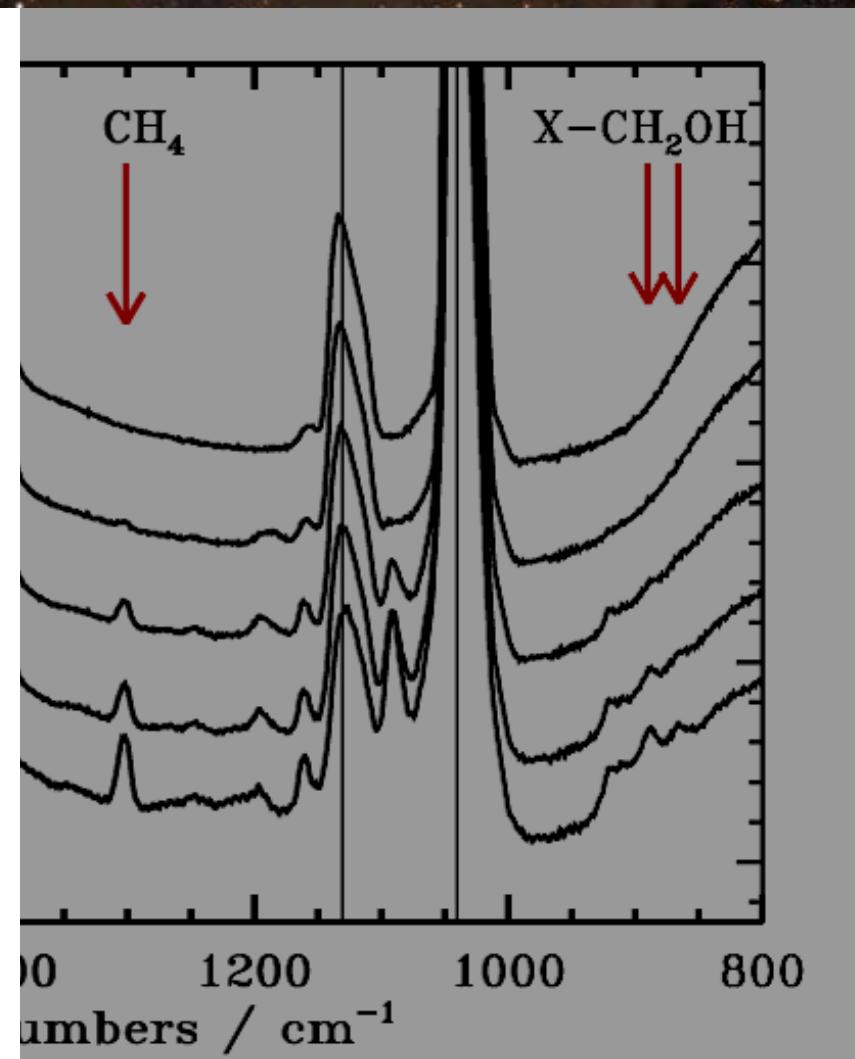
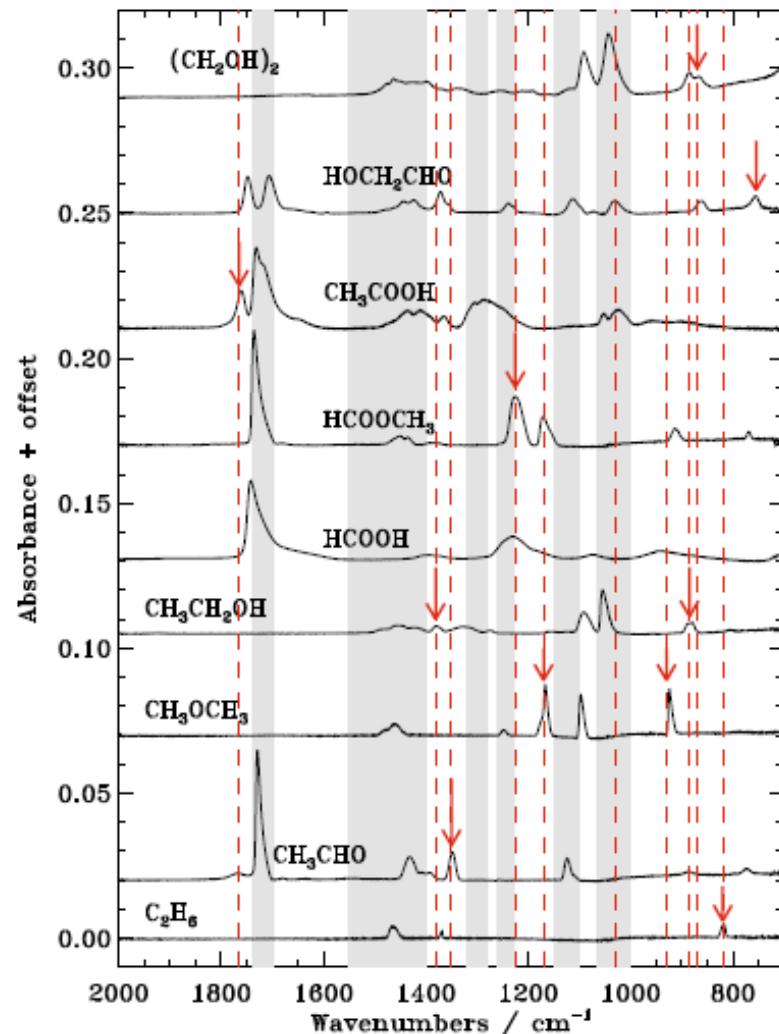
- Photodesorption ~ number of molecules in surface layer
→ 0th order process
- Photolysis ~ total number of molecules in the ice
→ 1st order process

Öberg et al. A&A 2009

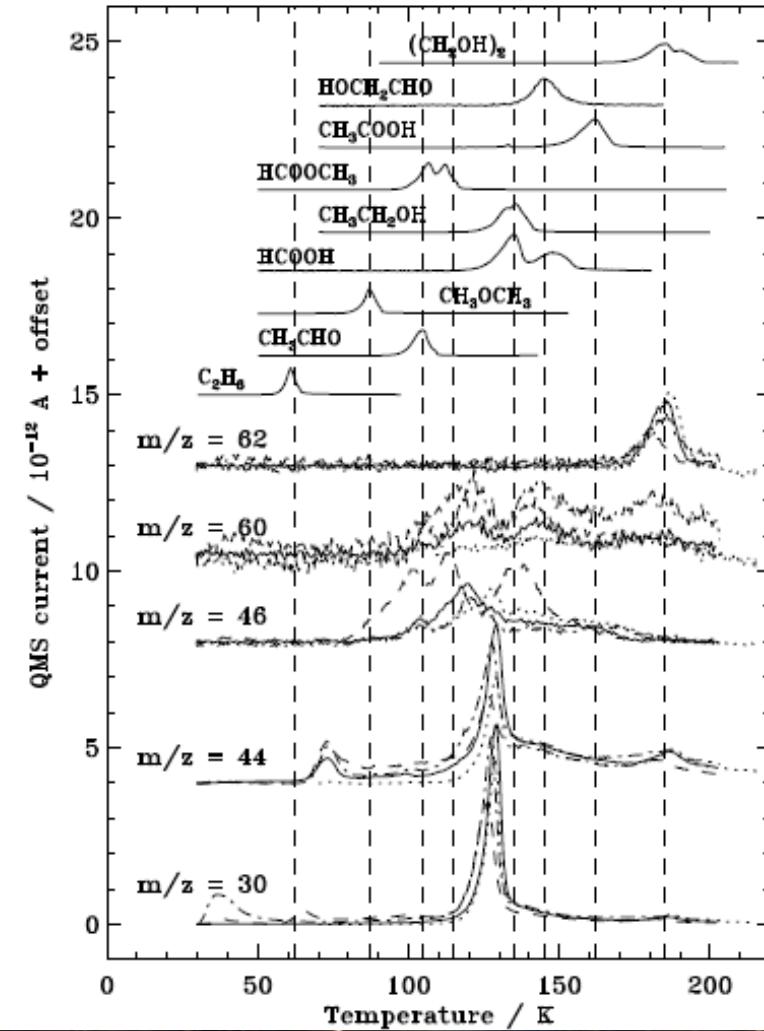
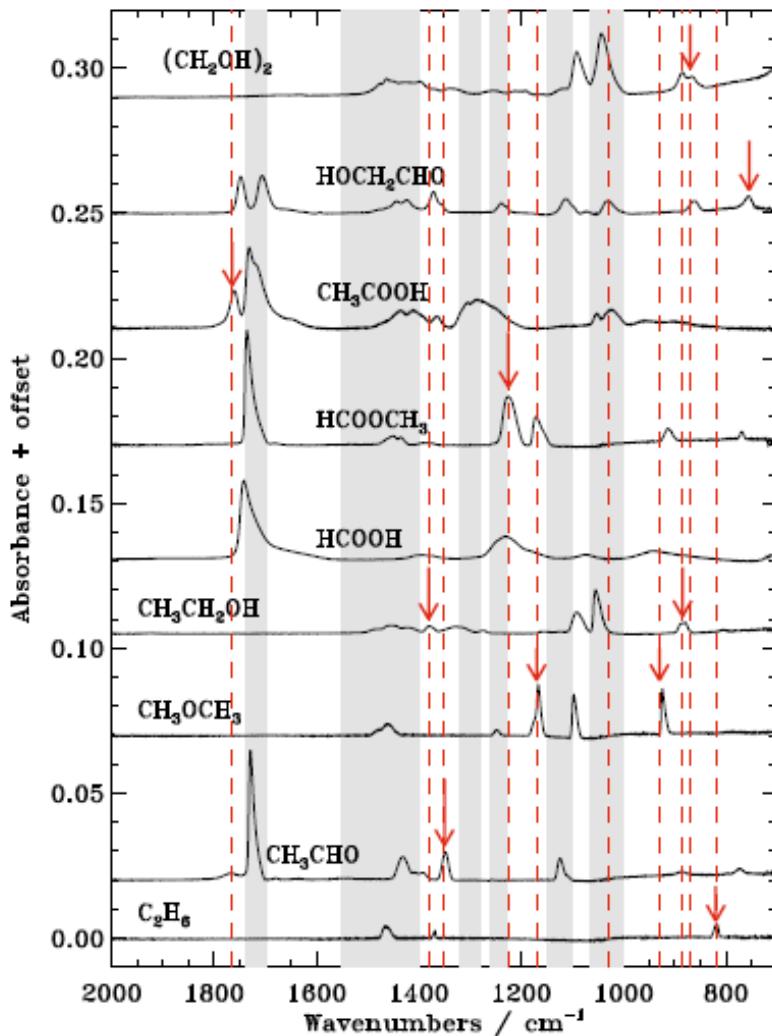
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UV irradiation of methanol ice: RAIRS



UV irradiation of methanol ice: TPD



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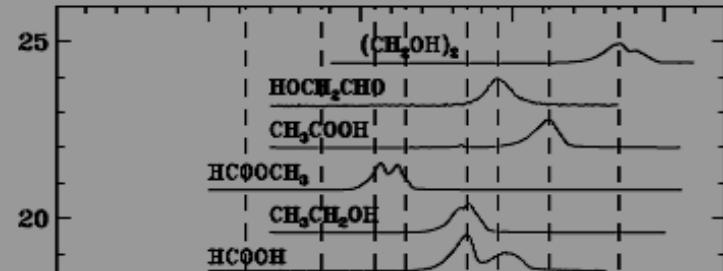
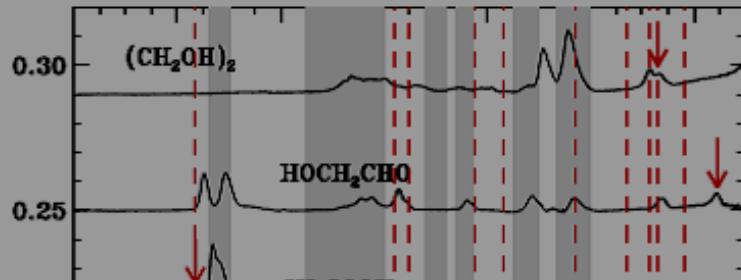
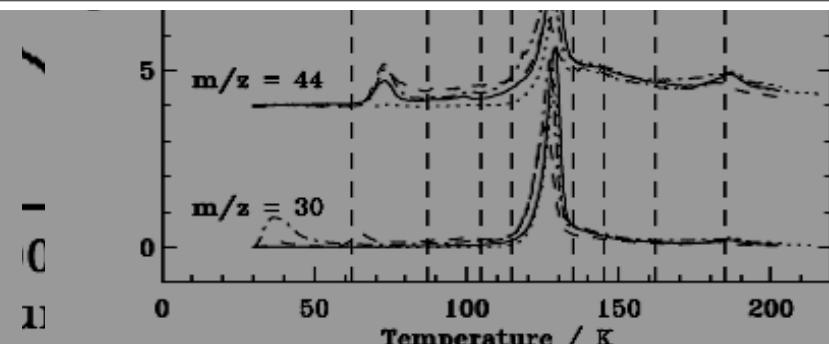
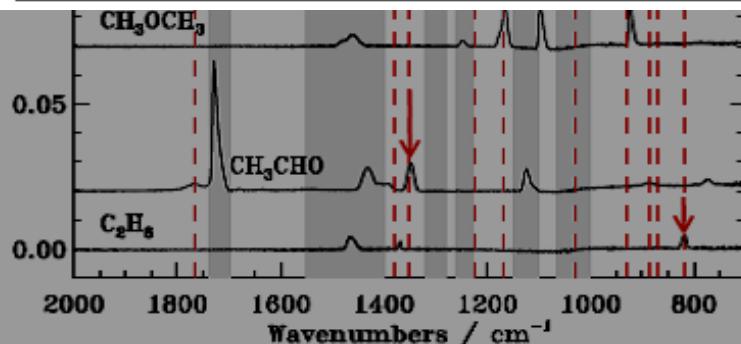


Table 6. Abundances of complex molecules relative to CH_3OH .

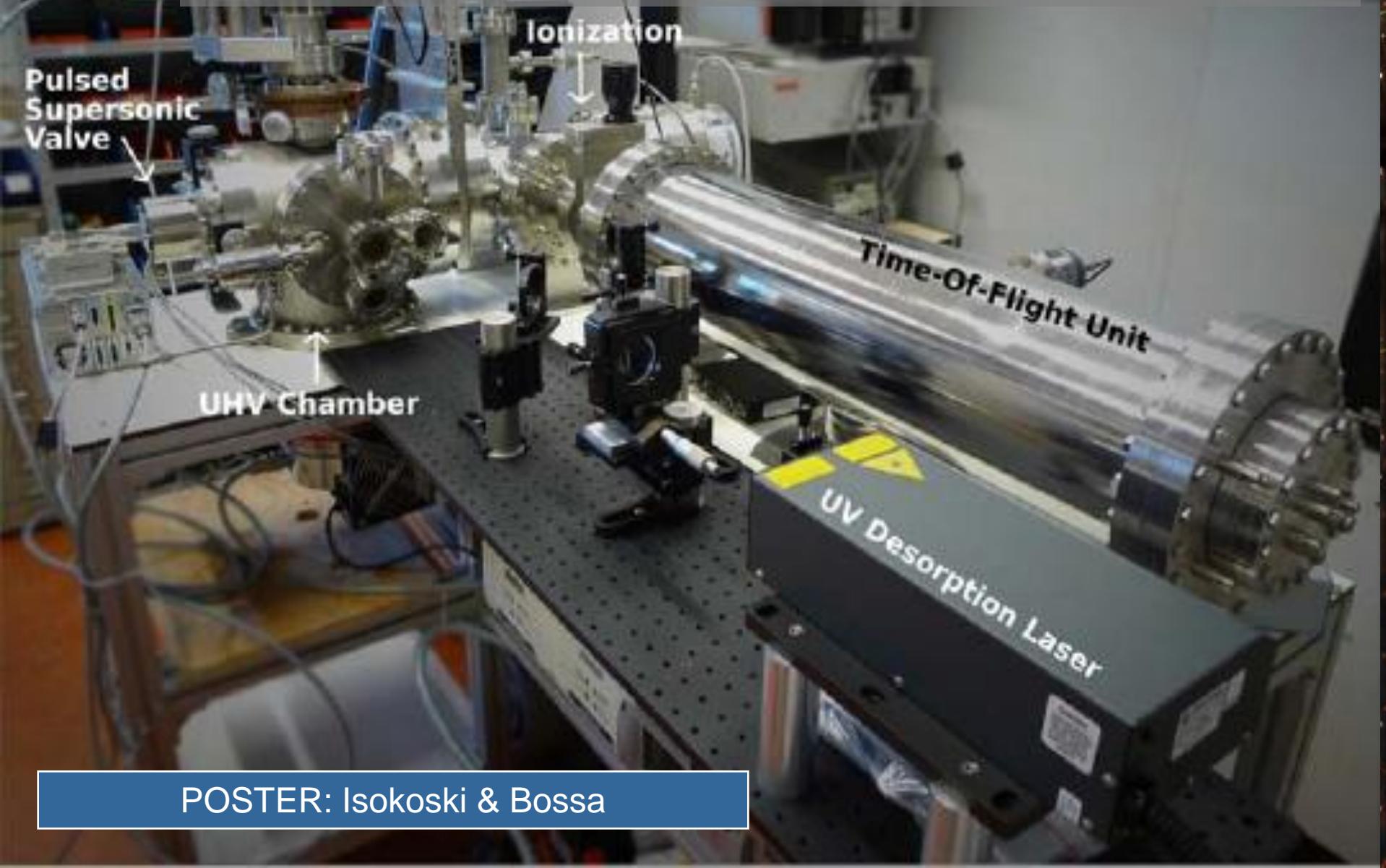
	IRAS 16293-2422/A ^{a,b}	Hot cores ^c	L1157 ^d	MC G-0.02 ^e	Hale-Bopp ^f	CH_3OH ^g	$\text{CH}_3\text{OH}:\text{CO}$ ^g
CH_3OH	1/1	1	1	1	1	1	1
CH_3CHO	0.038/< 0.0016	$2.9[3.1] \times 10^{-5}$	—	0.033	0.010	0.01	<0.04
$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	—/0.031	0.019[0.012]	0.007	0.040	<0.042	0.1	<0.01
CH_3OCH_3	0.20/0.013	0.41[0.51]	—	0.050	—	0.04	<0.01
HCOOCH_3	0.30/0.0084	0.089[0.084]	0.019	0.037	0.033	<0.03	>0.08
HOCH_2CHO	—/—	—	—	0.01	<0.017	<0.04	>0.04
$(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})_2$	—/—	—	—	0.01	0.10	0.4	<0.01



Warning: How about ice boundary conditions ?



MATRI²CES: Mass Analysing Tool for Reactions in Interstellar ICES

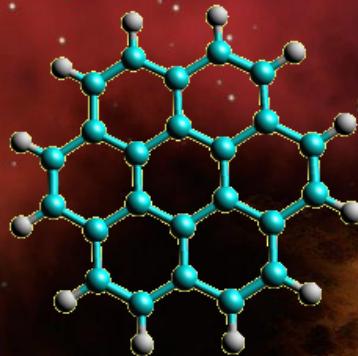


POSTER: Isokoski & Bossa

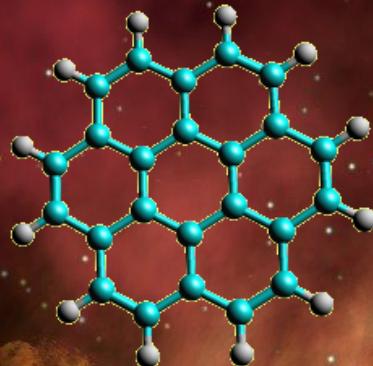
4. Towards ‘real’ molecular complexity in interstellar ice

A different approach ...

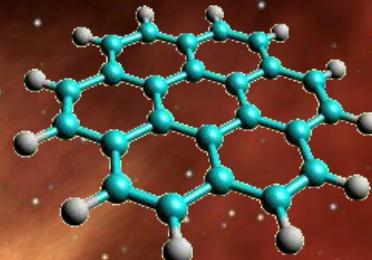
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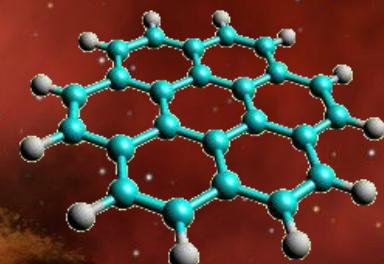
CC stretch



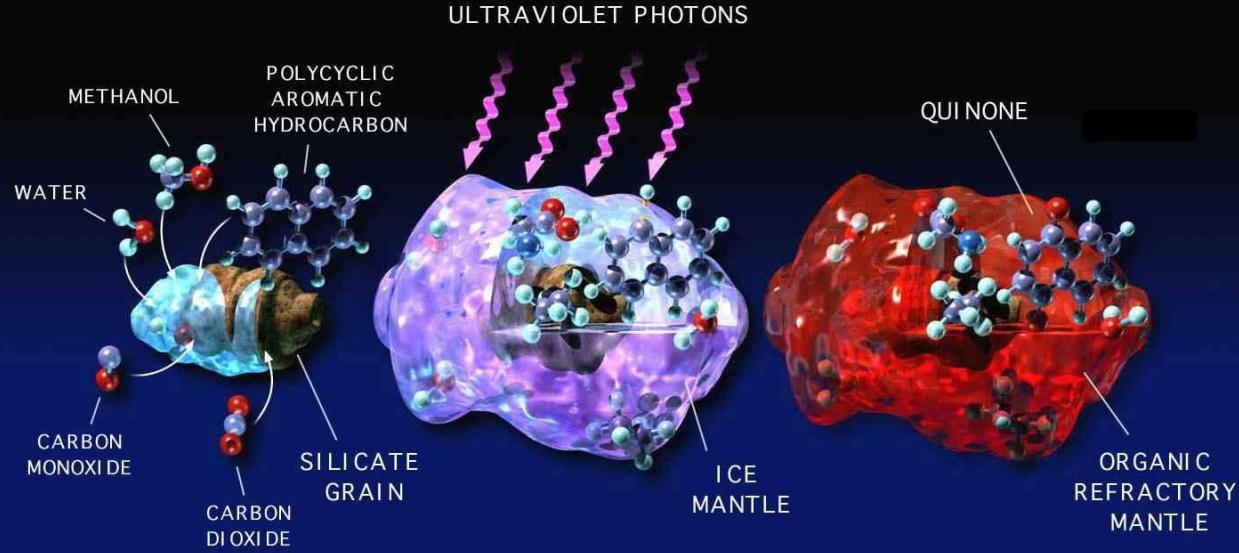
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CH oop bend

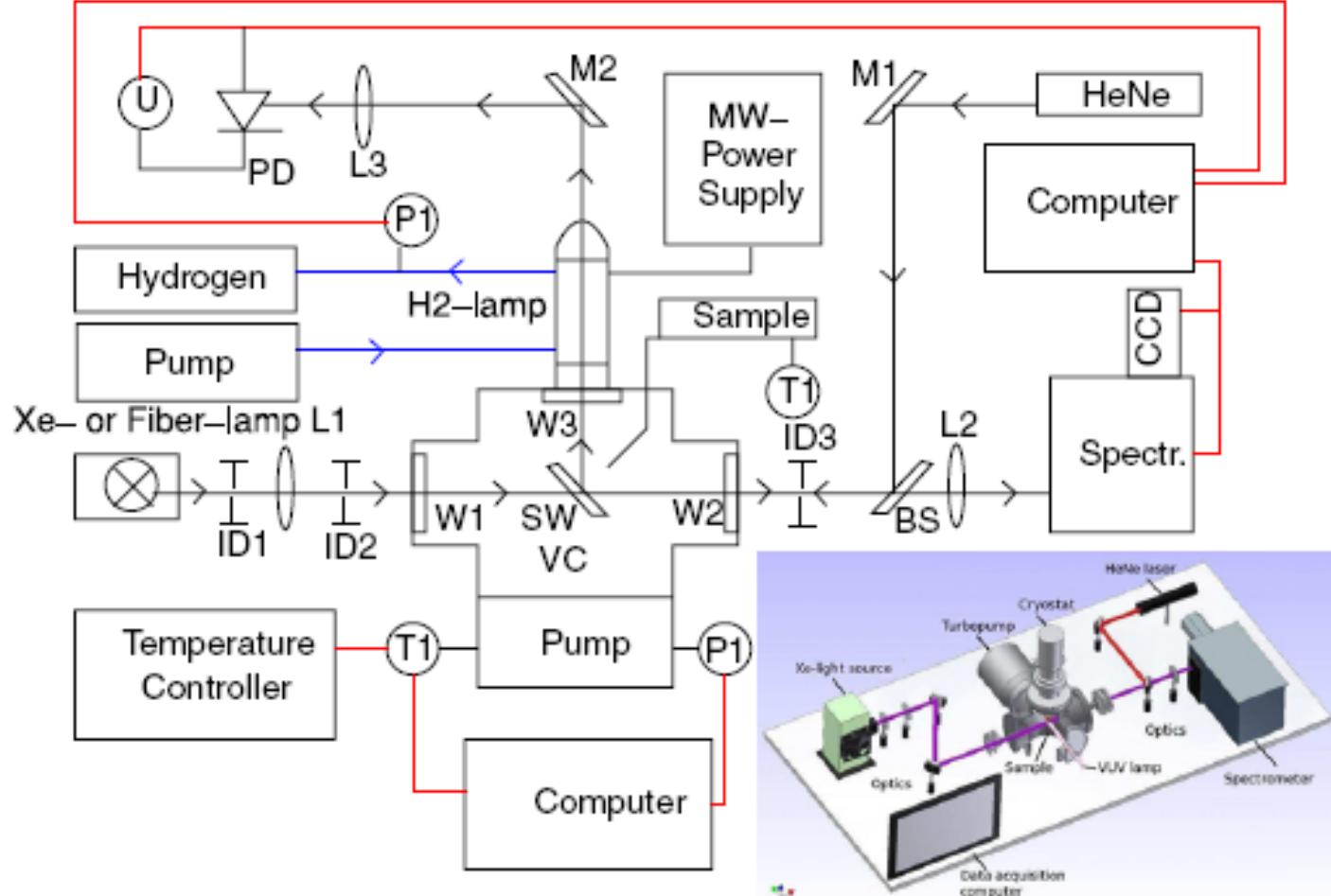


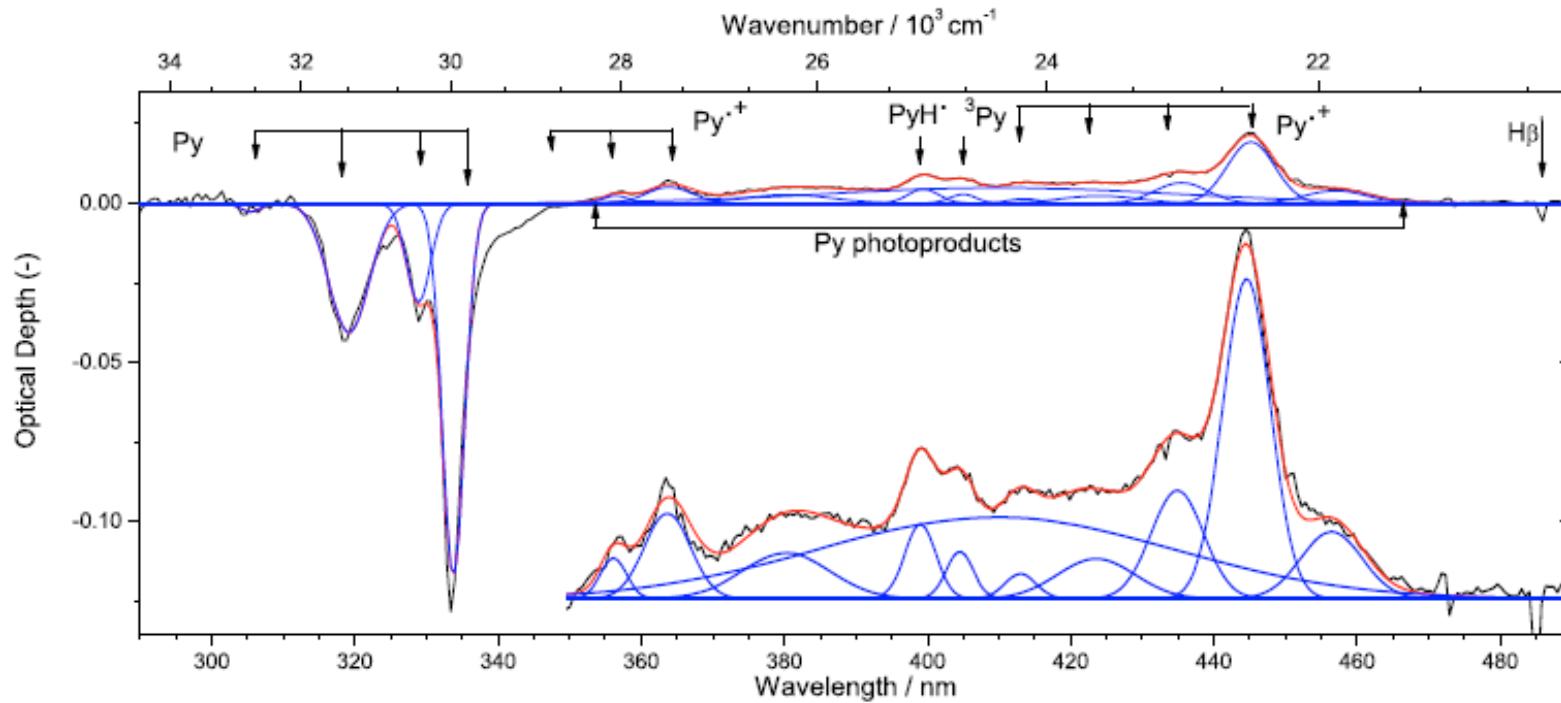
ULTRAVIOLET PHOTONS



Courtesy
Allamandola

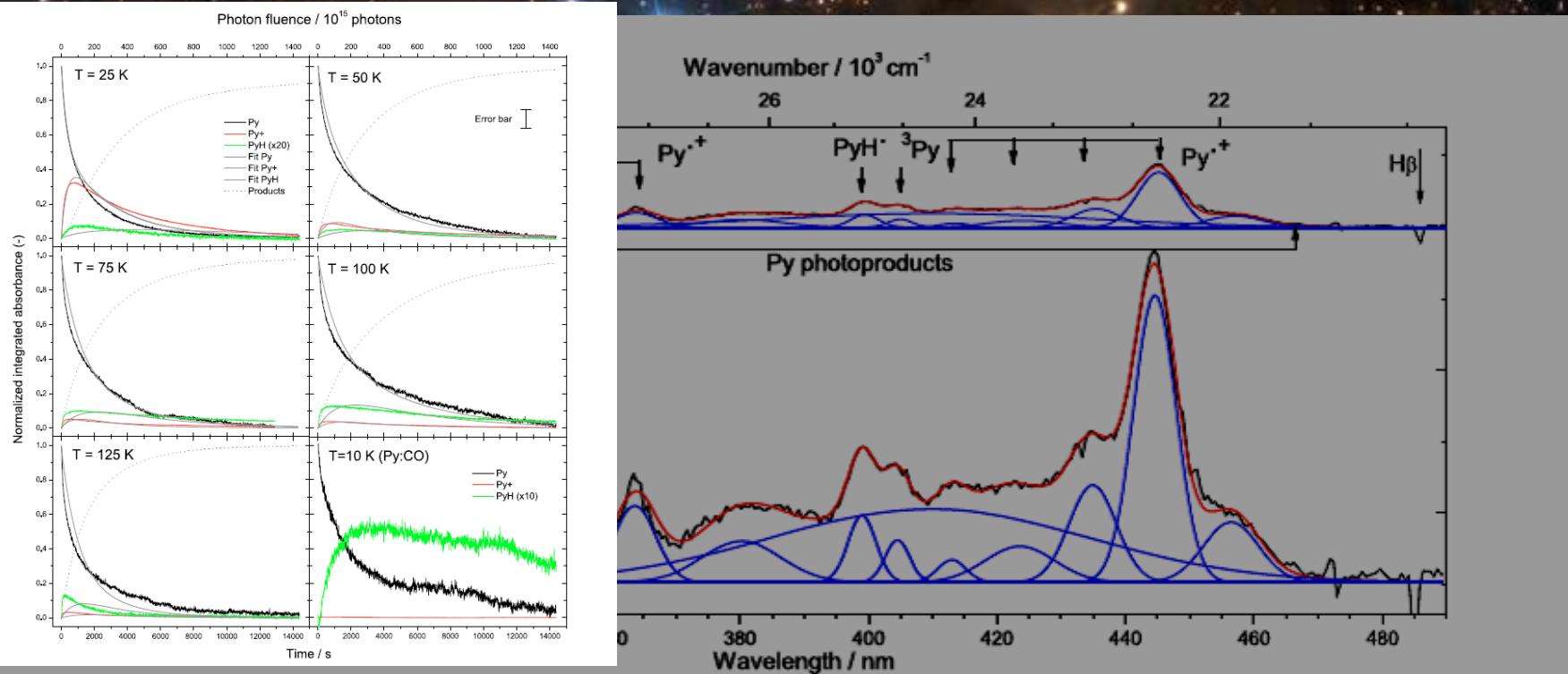
OASIS: Optical Absorption Setup for Ice Spectroscopy





Pyrene:H₂O (1:10000) plus photo-products upon VUV irradiation

- a way to search for PAHs in space - maybe
- a way to understand photo-processing in ice – yes
- complementary to previous IR work - absolutely



Pyrene:H₂O (1:10000) plus photo-products upon VUV irradiation

- a way to search for PAHs in space - maybe
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- complementary to previous IR work - absolutely

Take Home Message

The molecular universe

has become ‘complex’

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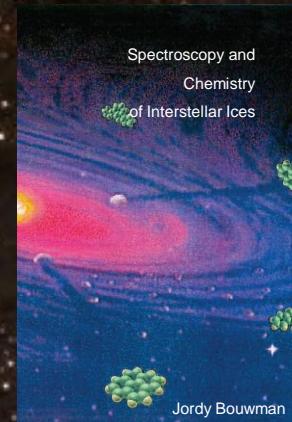
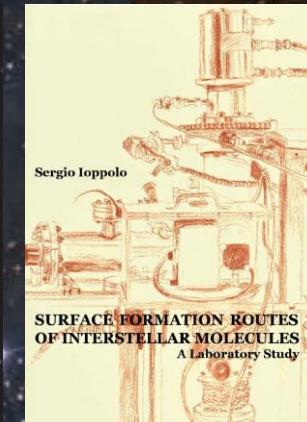
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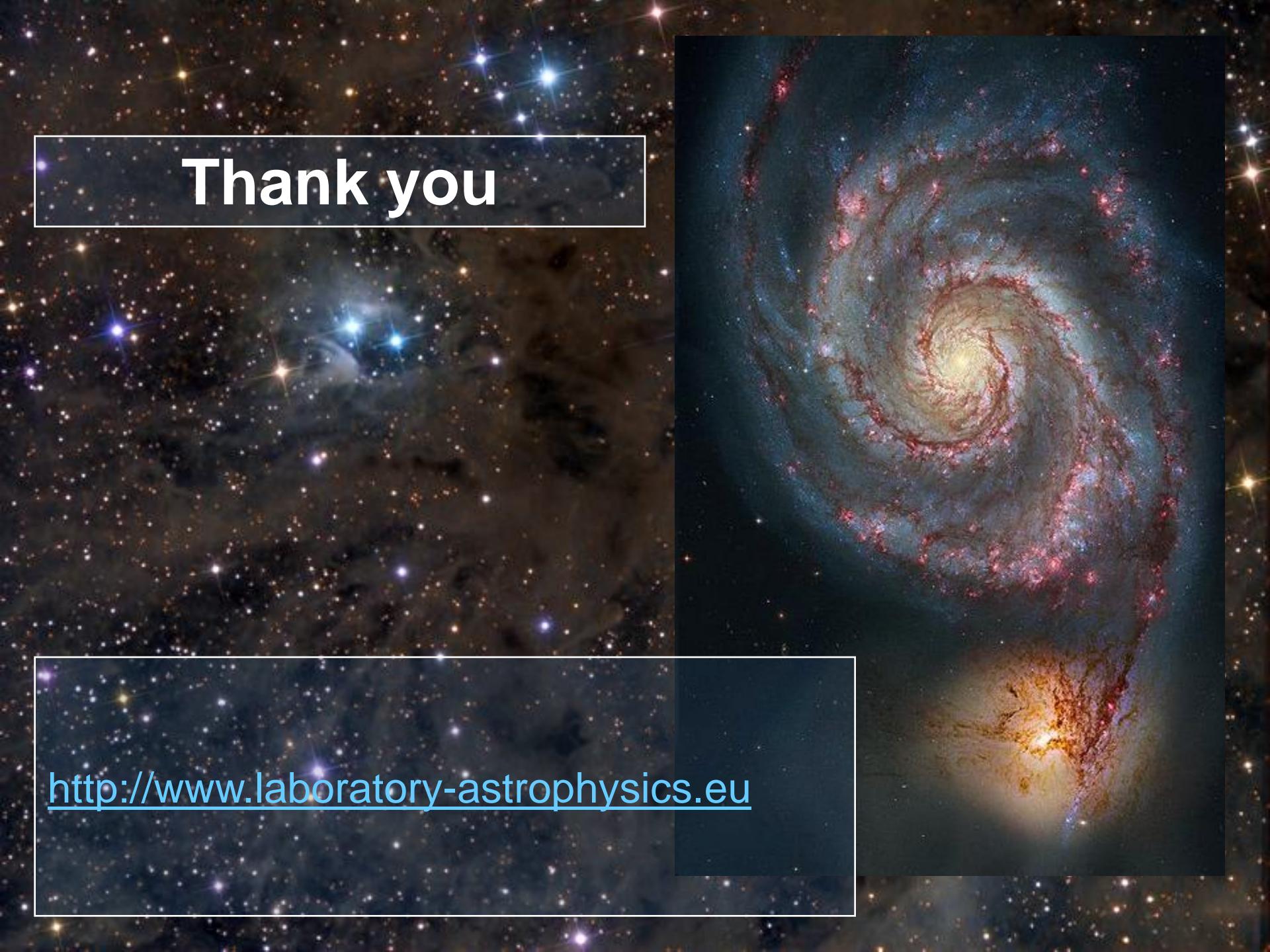
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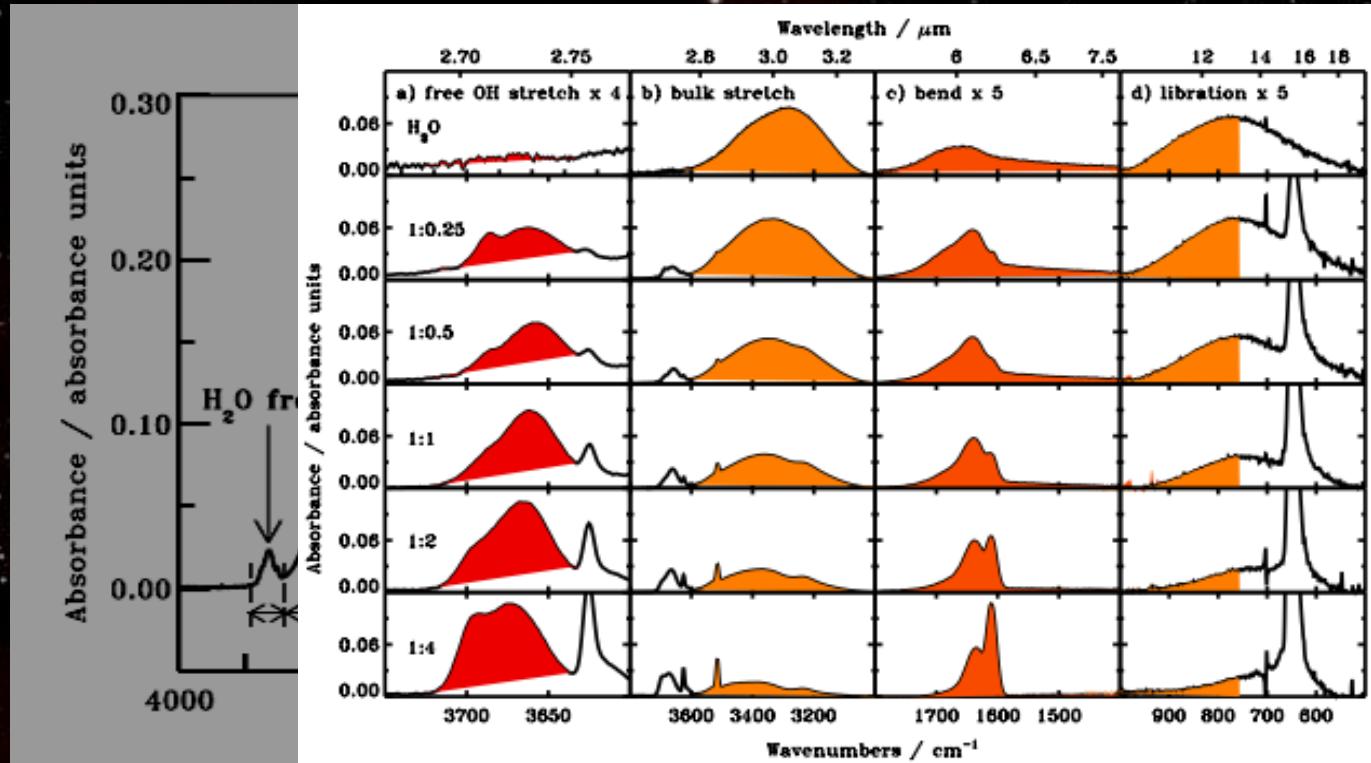


Bottom-up approach



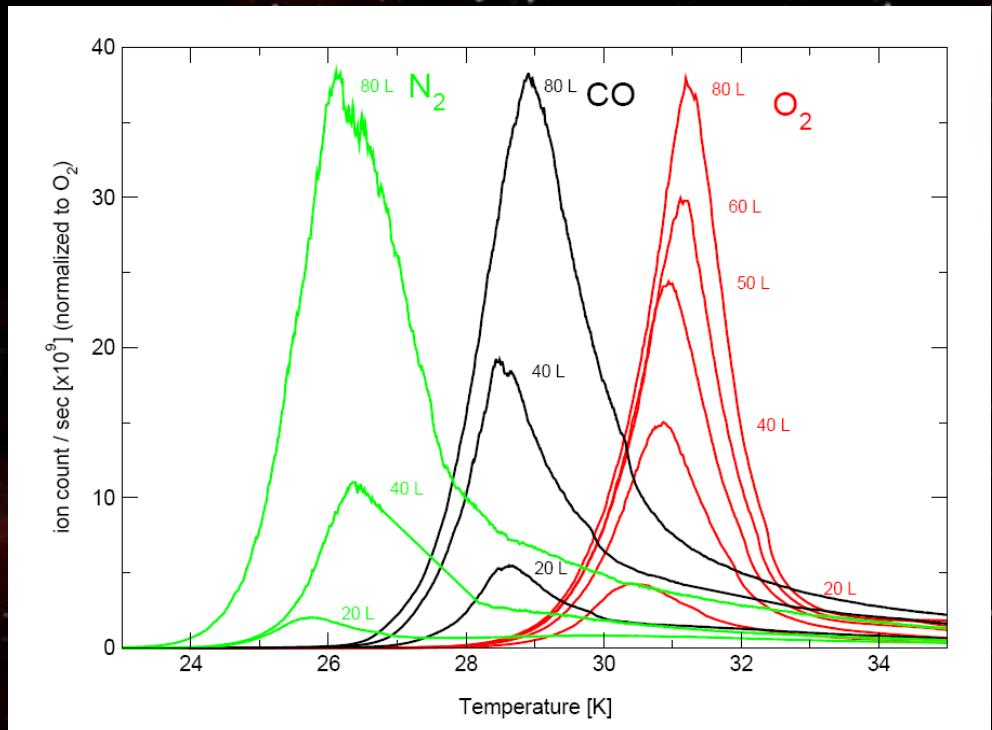
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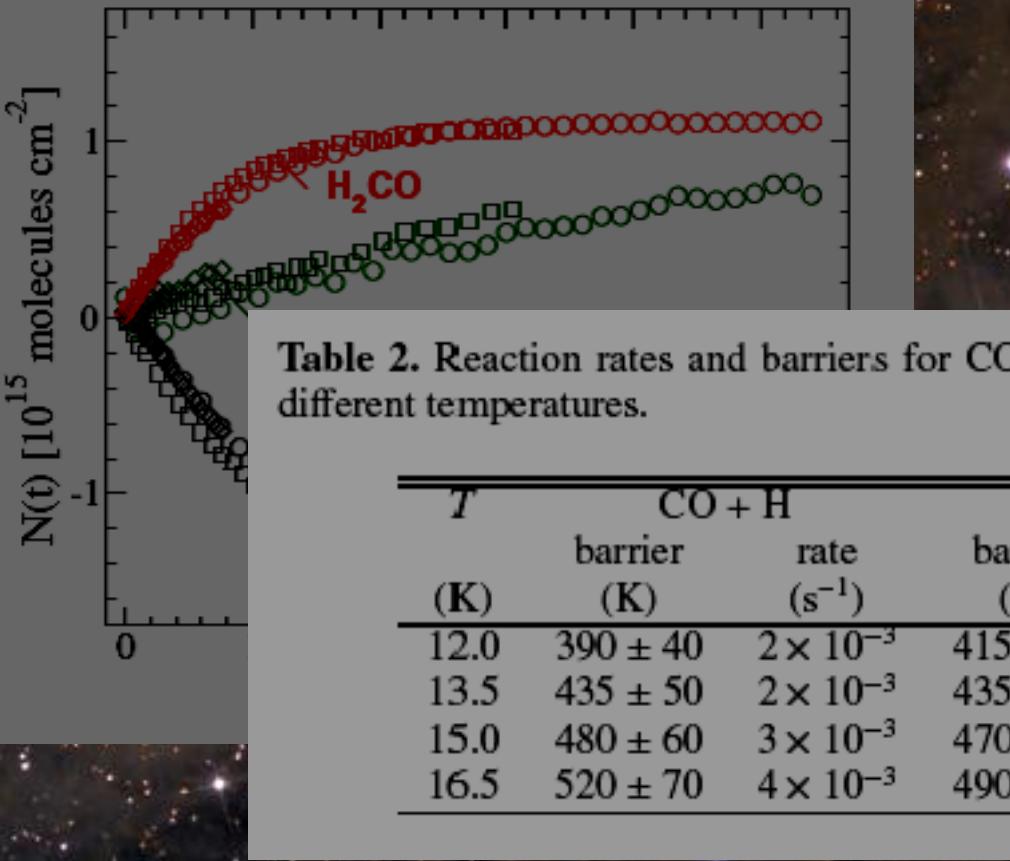
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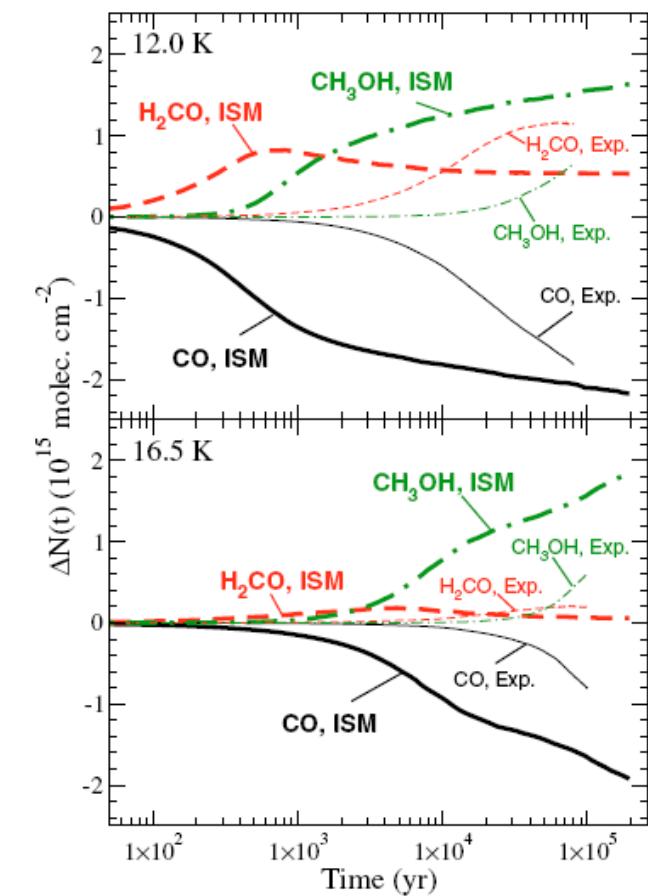
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- ▶ Physical ice behavior: thermal desorption & segregation.





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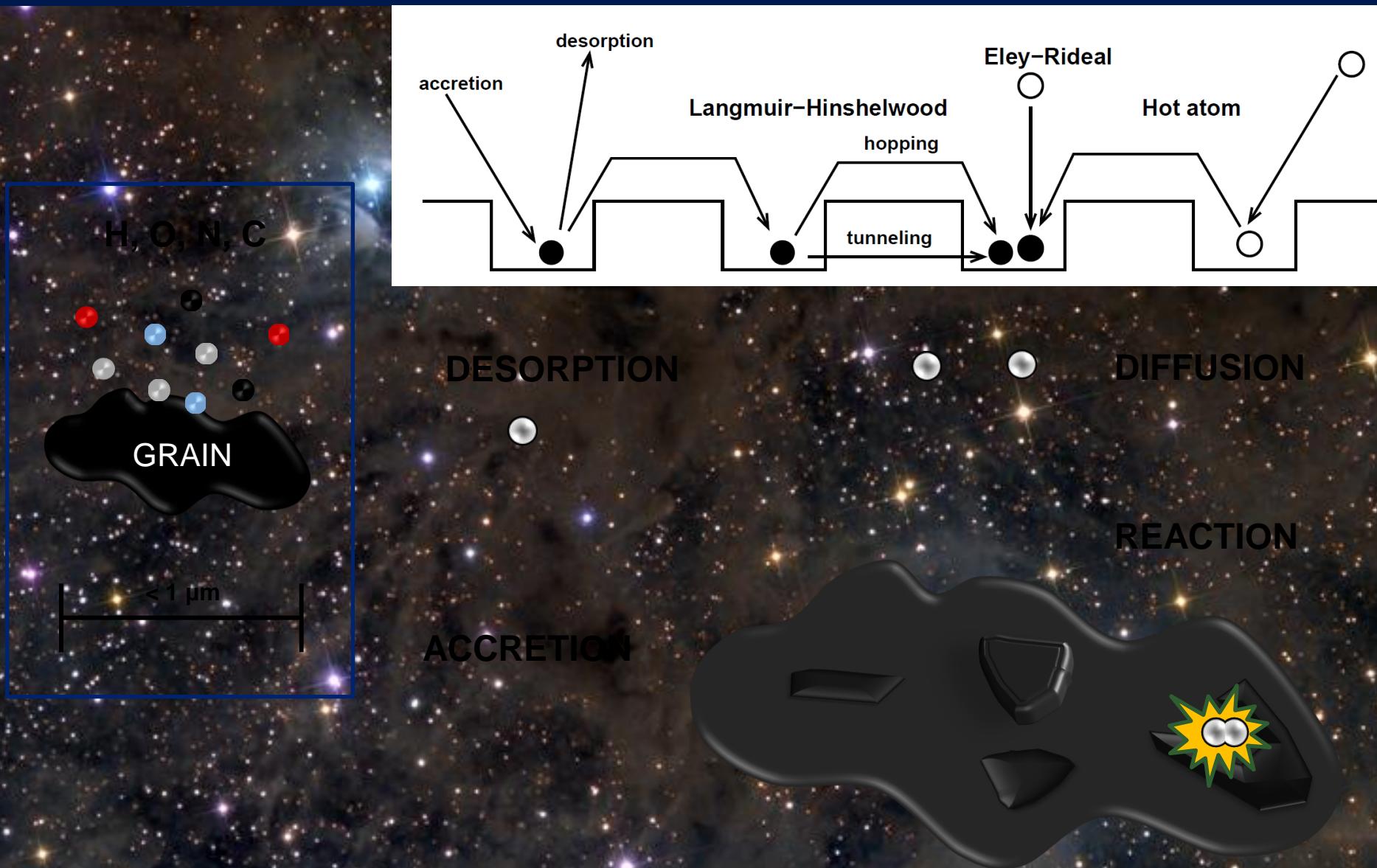


Using Monte Carlo simulations

- ▶ T-dependent reaction barriers / diffusion rates.
- ▶ Conversion towards interstellar conditions / timescales.

Interstellar ice chemistry

Carbonaceous/Silicate Grains



Molecule	H ₂ O	CO	CO ₂	CH ₄	CH ₃ OH	H ₂ CO	OCS	NH ₃	HCOOH	HCN
W33A	100	9	14	2	22	1.7-7	0.3	15	0.4-2	<3
Elias29	100	5.6	22	<1.6	<4	-	<0.1	<9.2	-	-

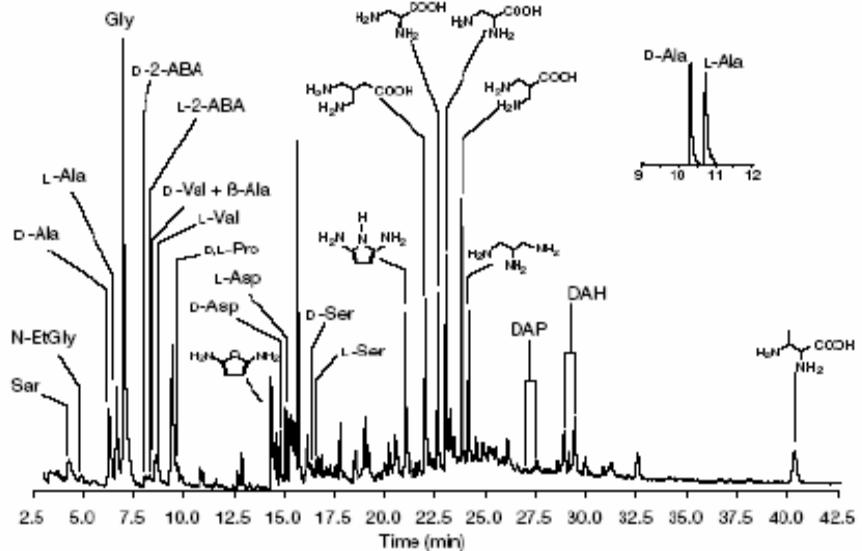
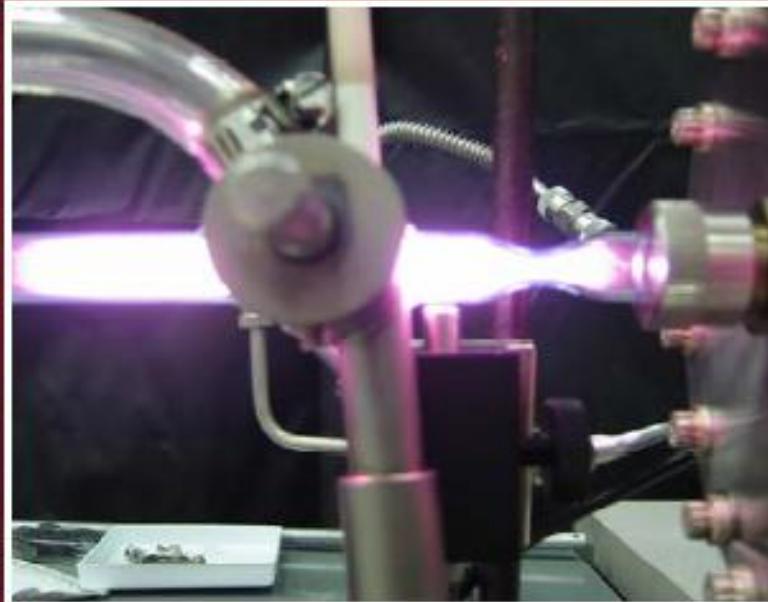


Fig. 2. Gas chromatogram showing a rich variety of amino acids and other compounds generated from a photo-processed ISM ice, containing H₂O, CH₃OH, NH₃, CO and CO₂. (Taken from G.M.M. Caro et al, Nature 416 (2002) 403.)

- **VUV lamp:**
- ► 7 - 10.5 eV,
- ► peaking around 121.6 nm
- ► typically $5 \cdot 10^{13}$ photons s⁻¹ cm⁻²