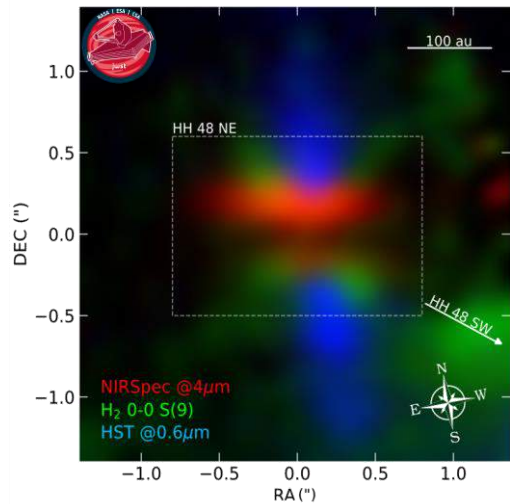
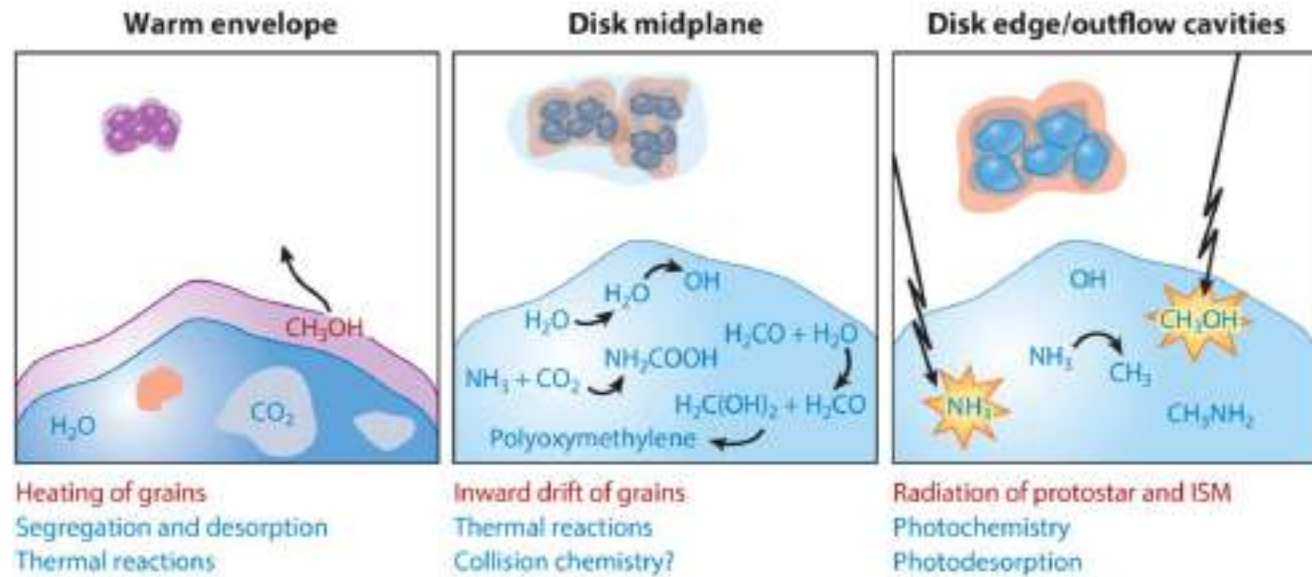
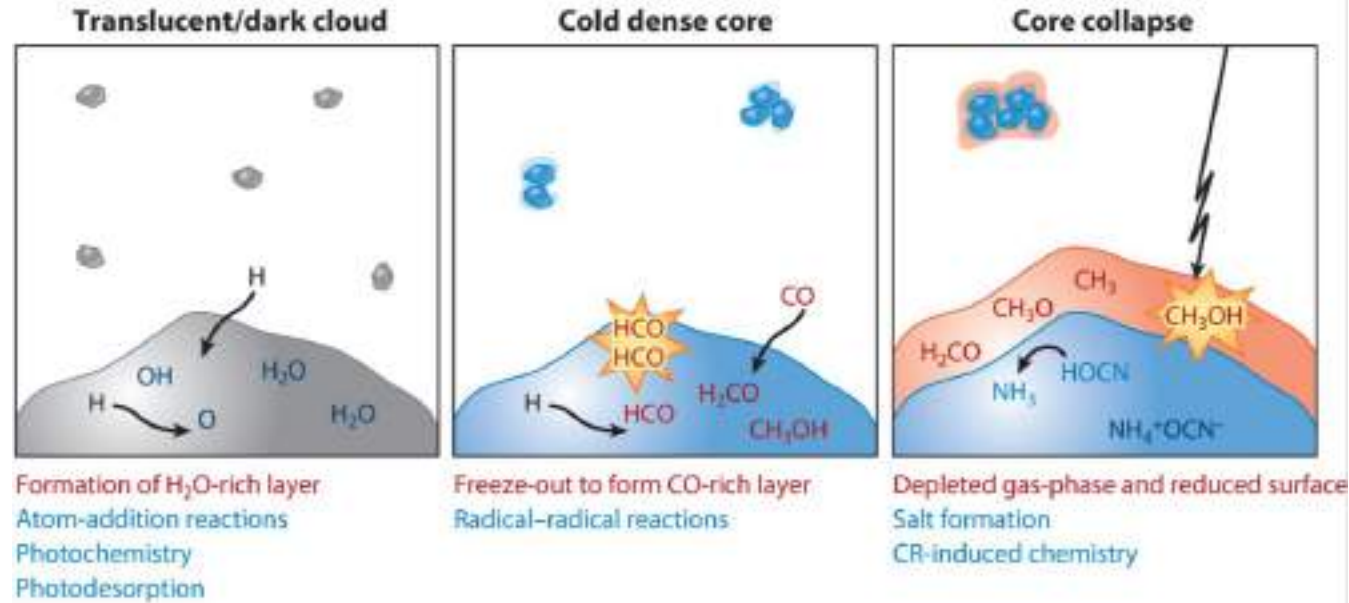


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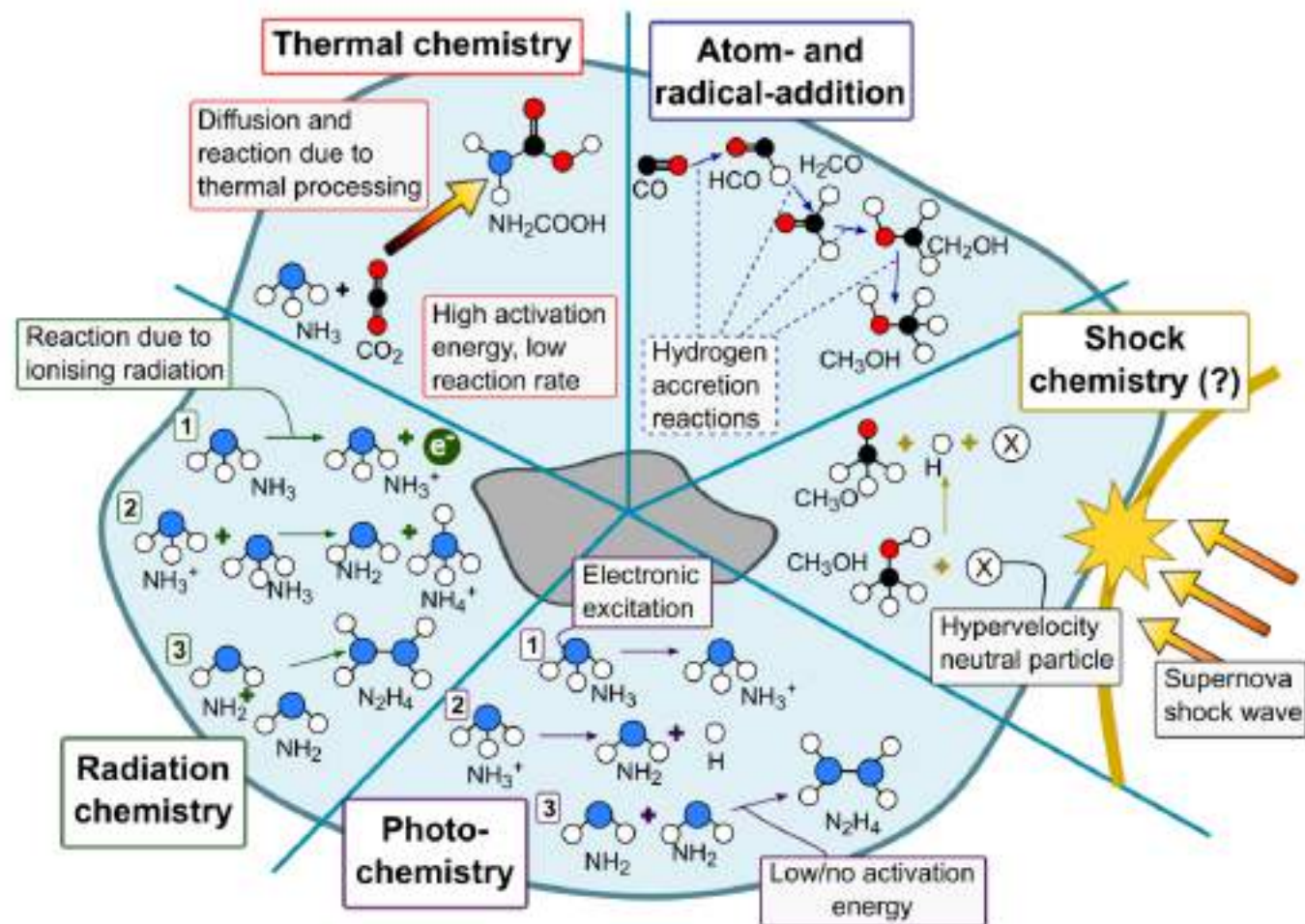
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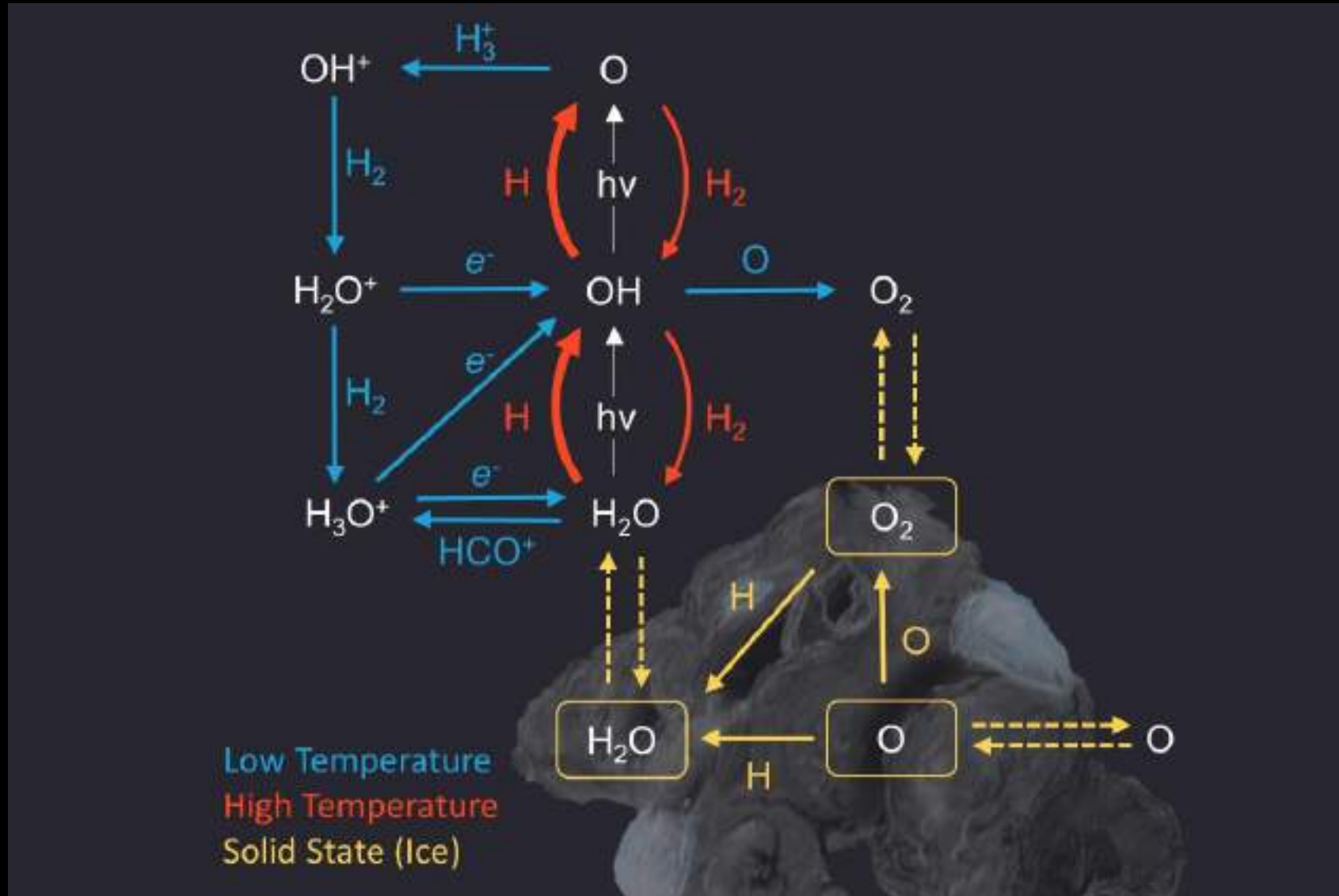




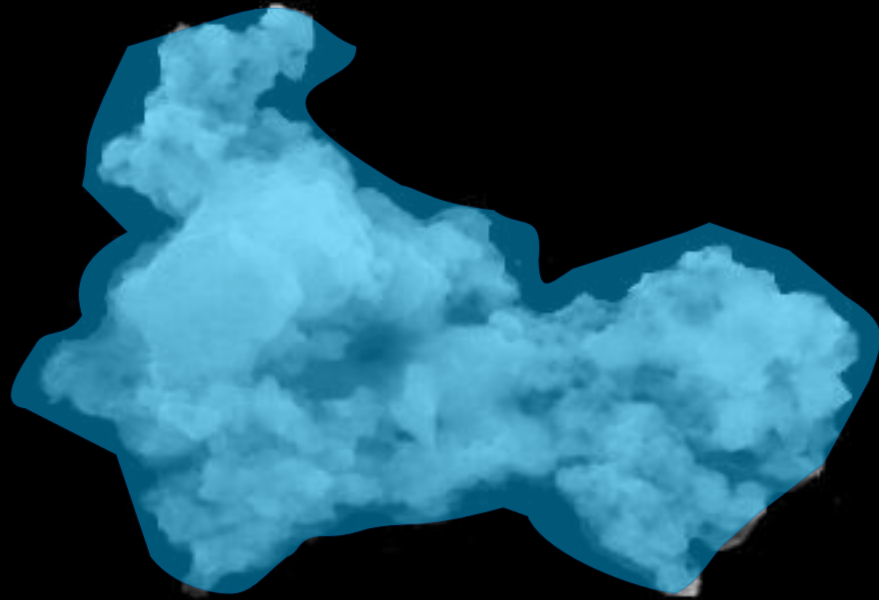
Ice Grain Chemistry



Formation Routes of Water Ice

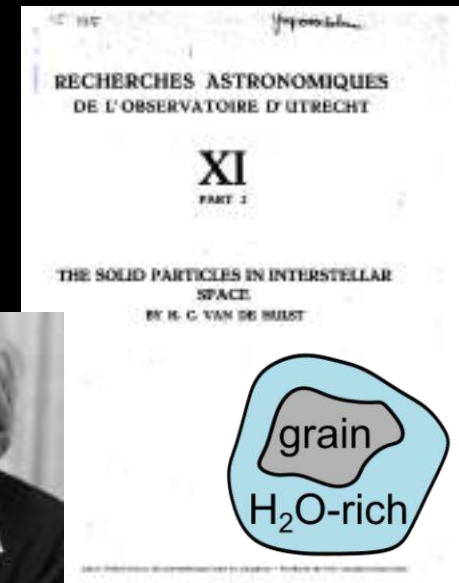


Interstellar Water Ice

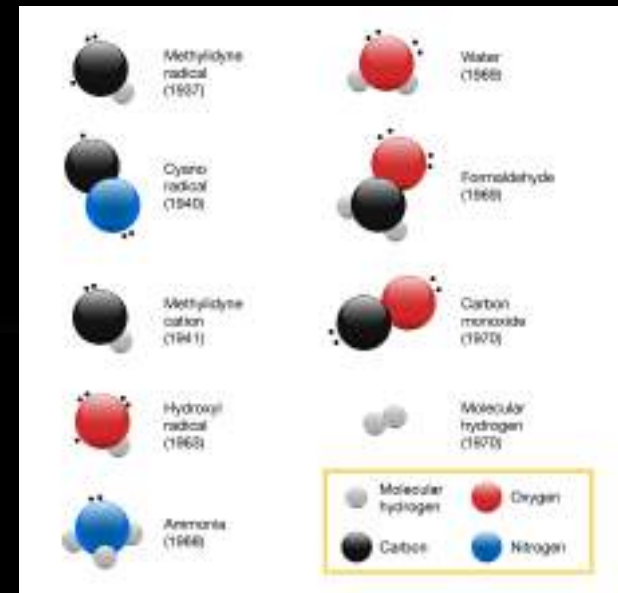


$T = 10-20 \text{ K}$
 $n > 10^2 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

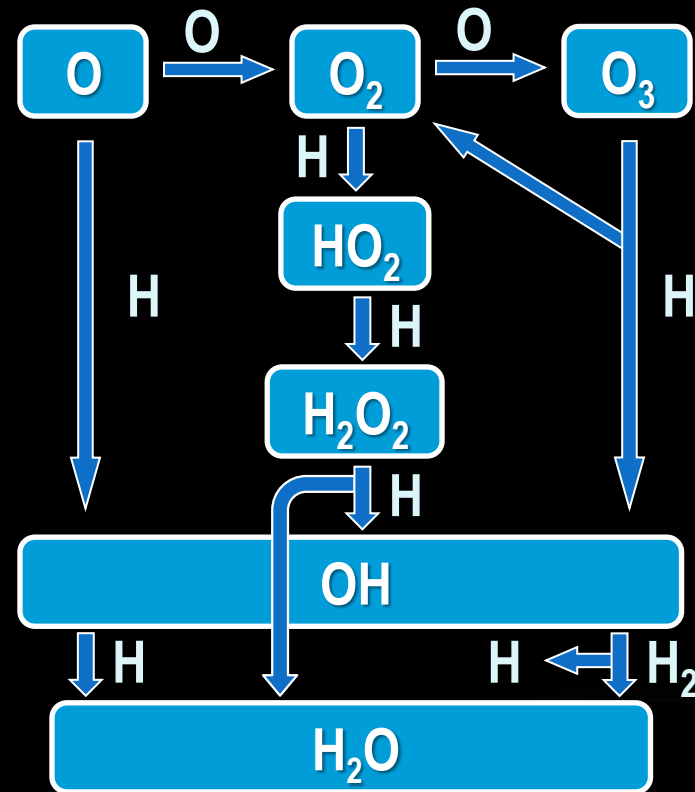
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van de Hulst, (1949)

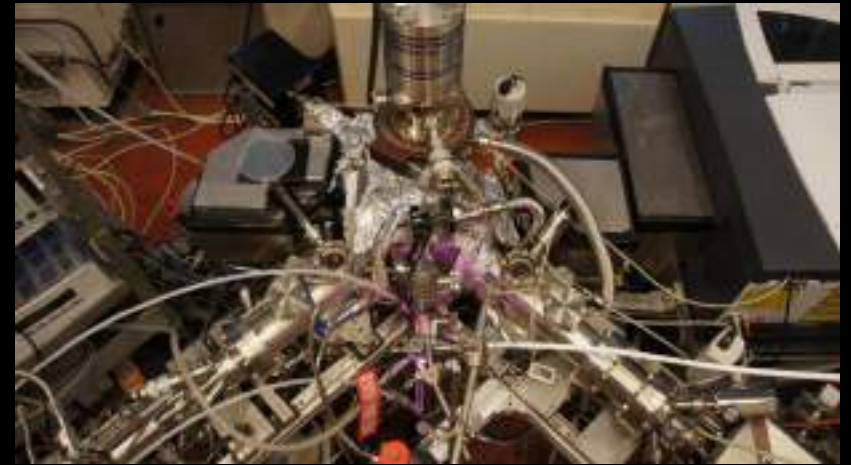


Interstellar Water Ice



Tielens & Hagen, A&A (1982)

Interstellar Water Ice



Miyauchi *et al.*, CPL (2008)

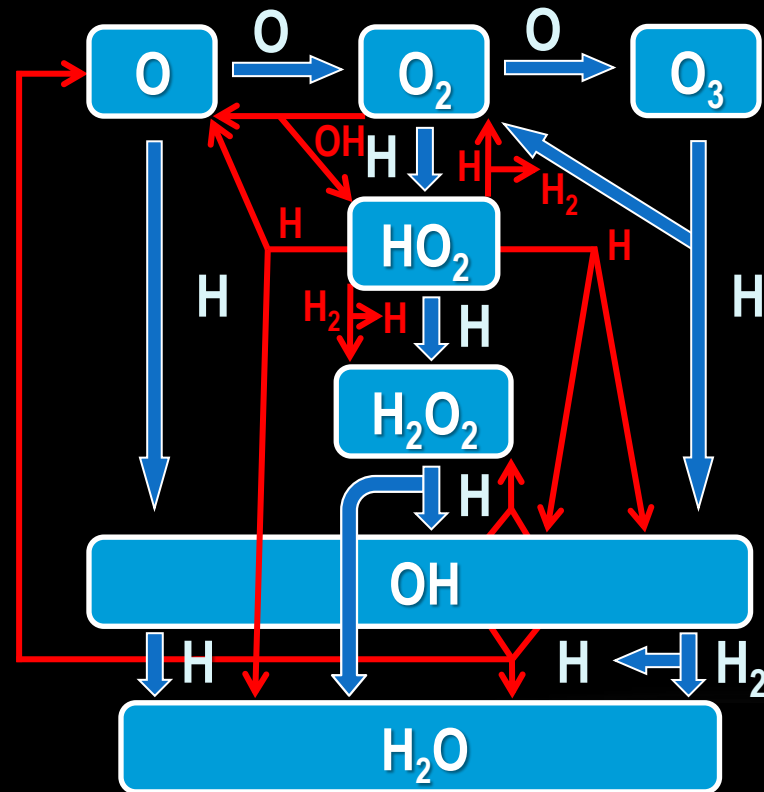
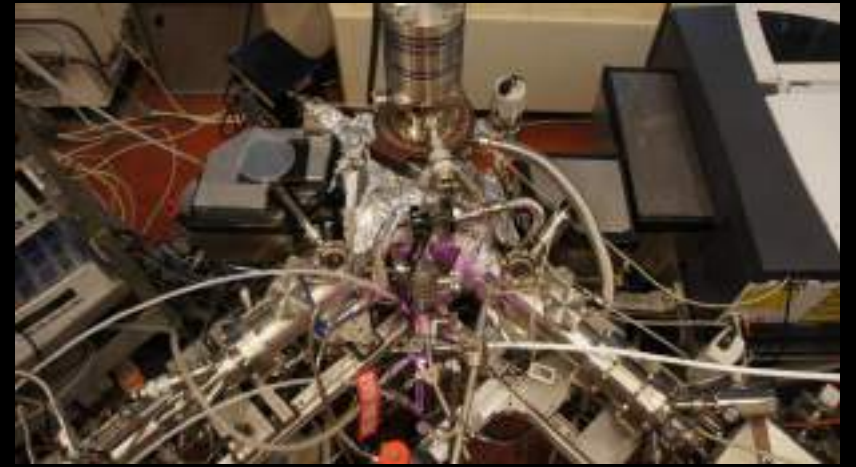


Ioppolo *et al.*, ApJ (2008)



Matar *et al.*, A&AL (2008)

Interstellar Water Ice



van Dishoeck *et al.*, CR (2013)
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SURFace REaction Simulation Device 2

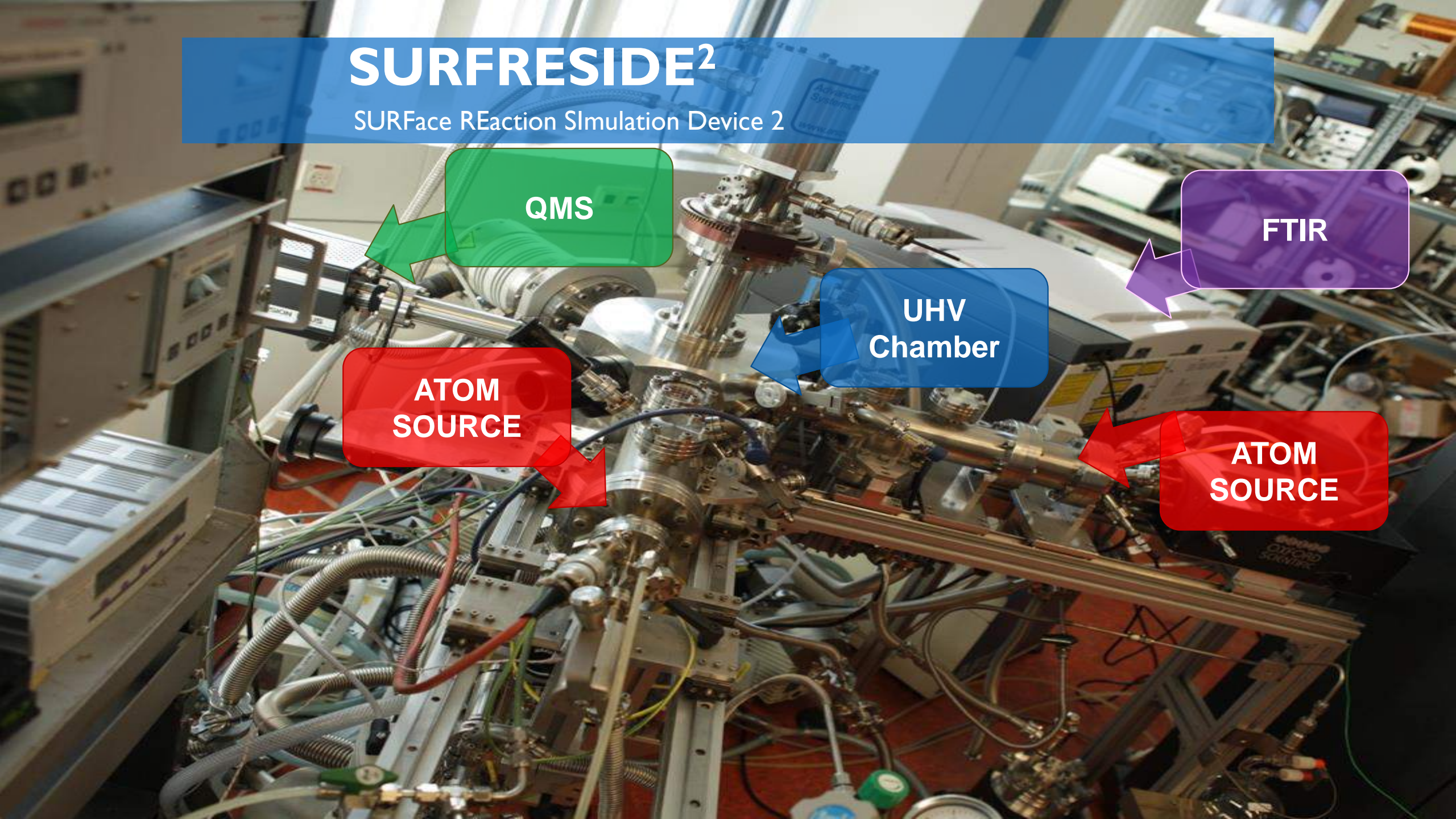
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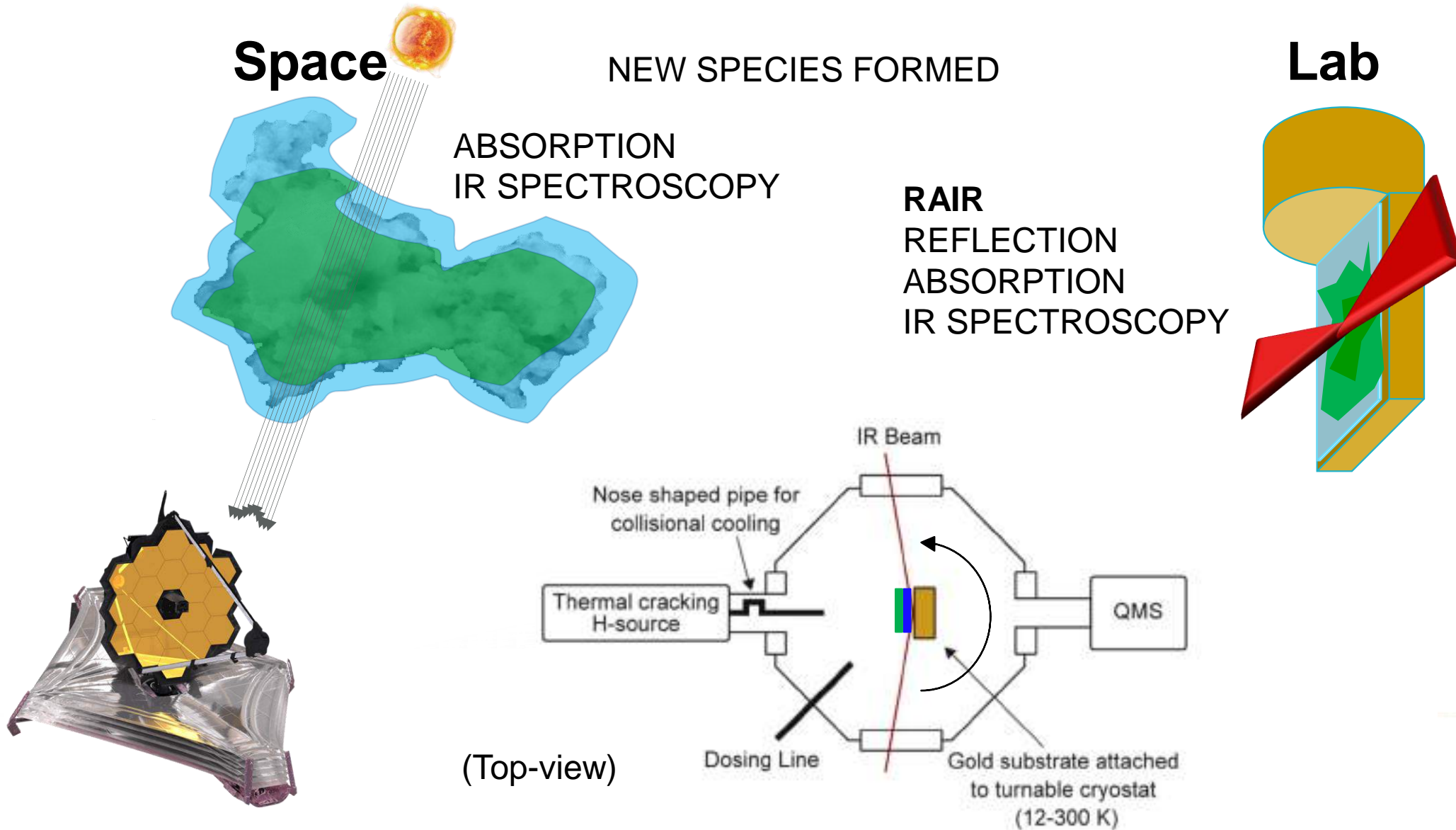
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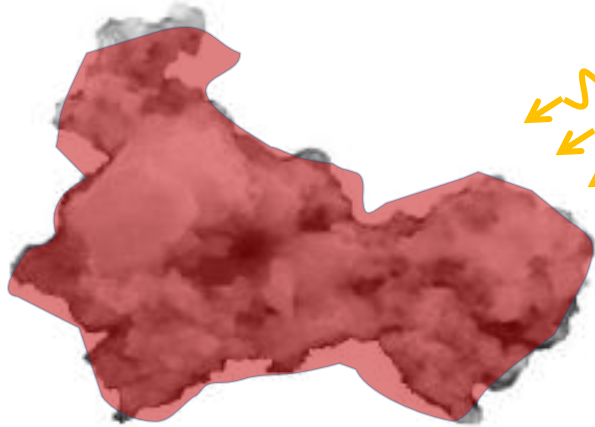


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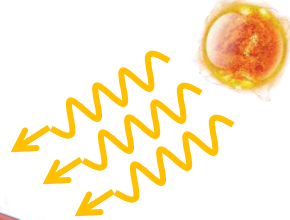


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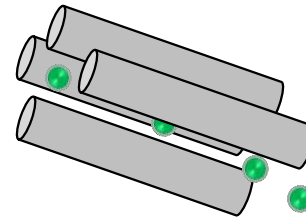
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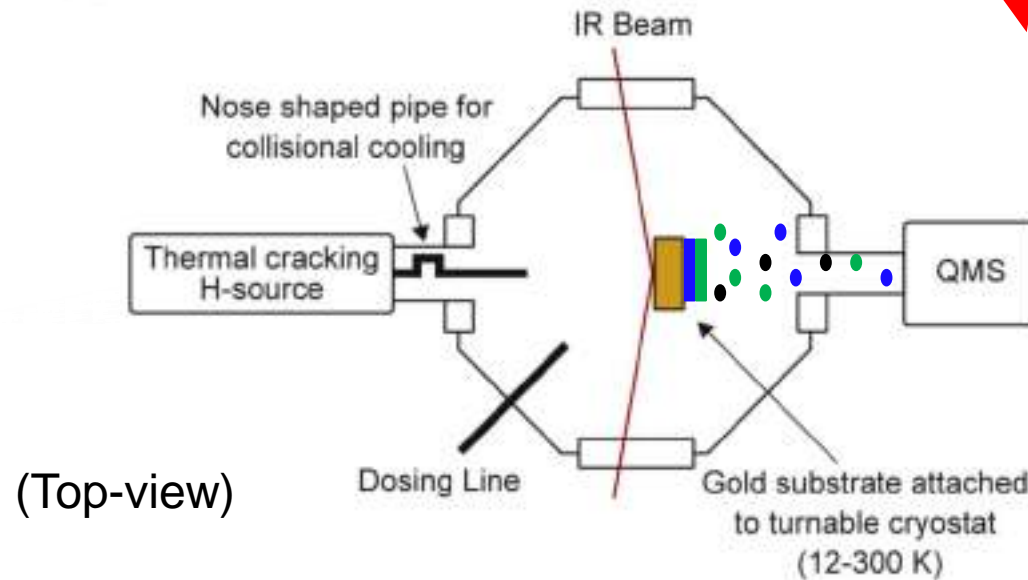
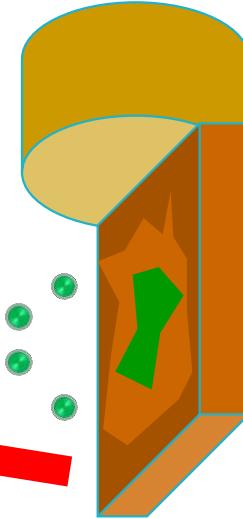


TPD
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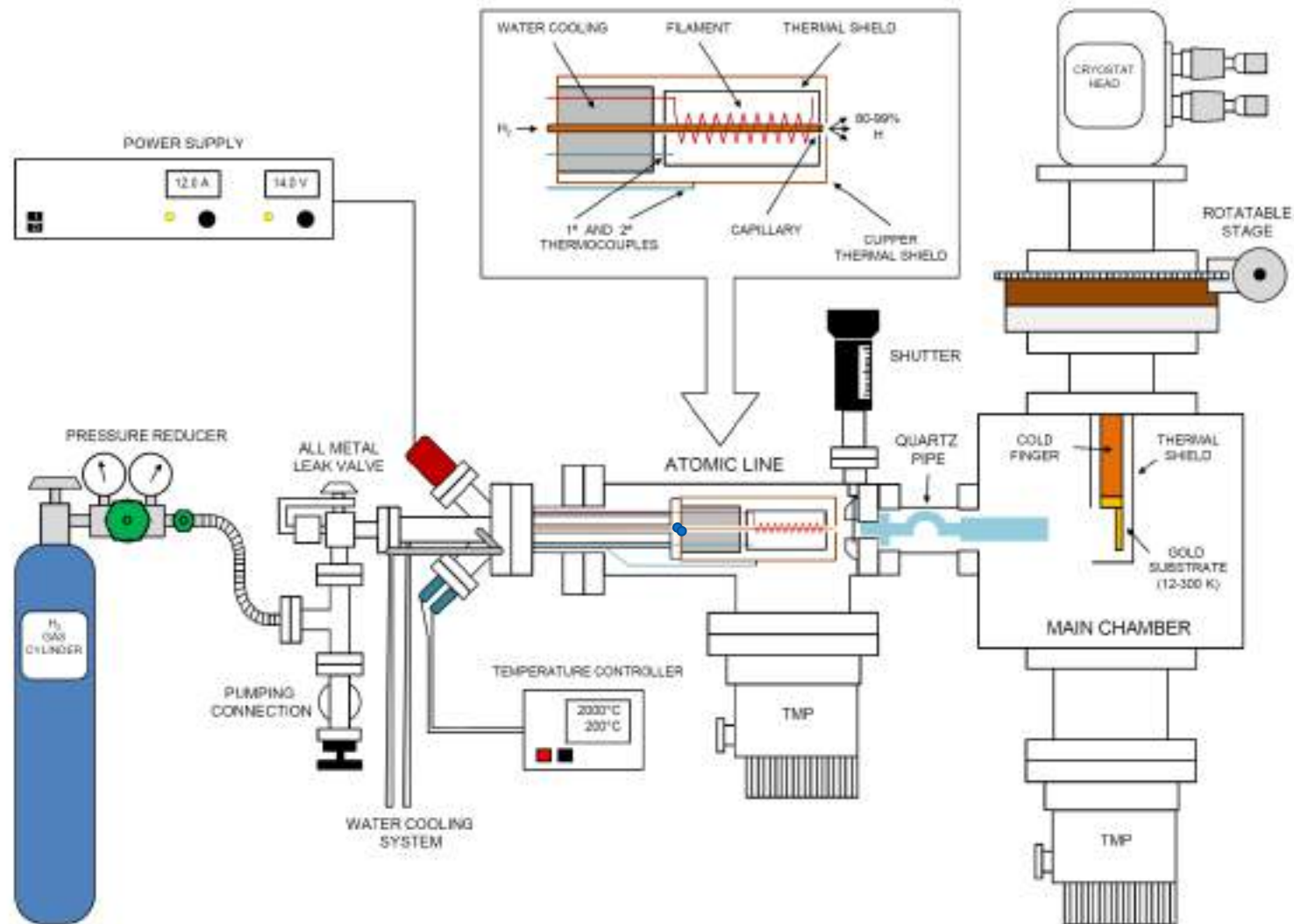
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Lab



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Hydrogen Atom Beam Source (HABS)

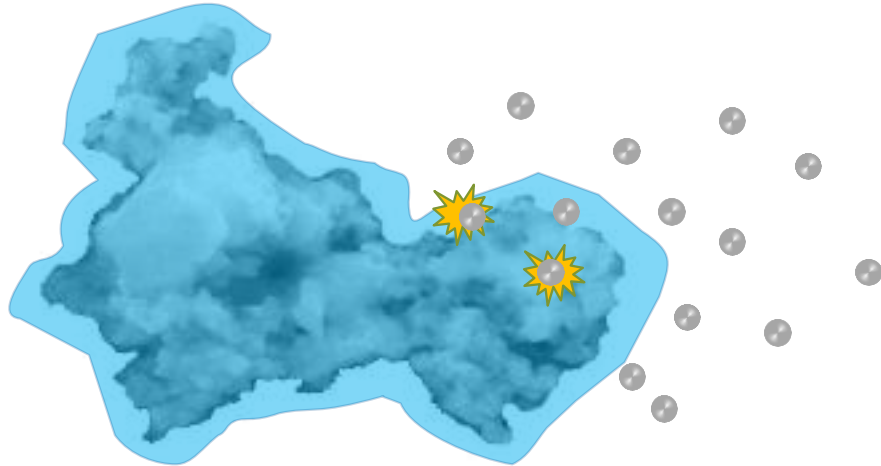


Experimental Procedure

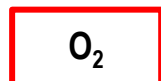
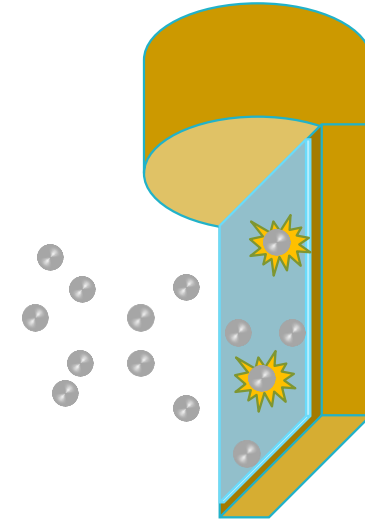
Pre-deposition Experiments

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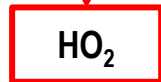
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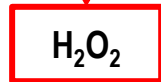
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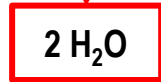
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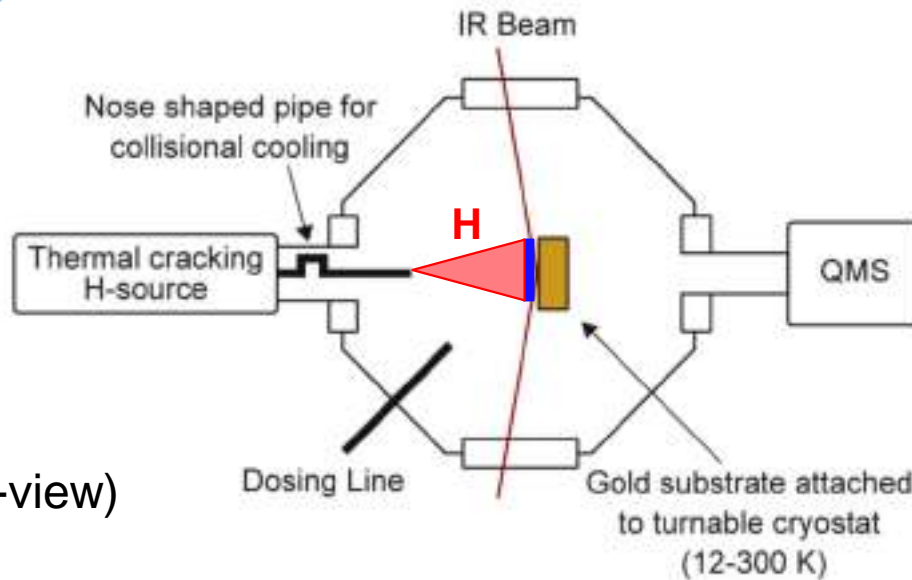
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(Top-view)



Surface Hydrogenation of O₂

Pre-deposition Experiments

Ioppolo *et al.*, RFAL (2011)

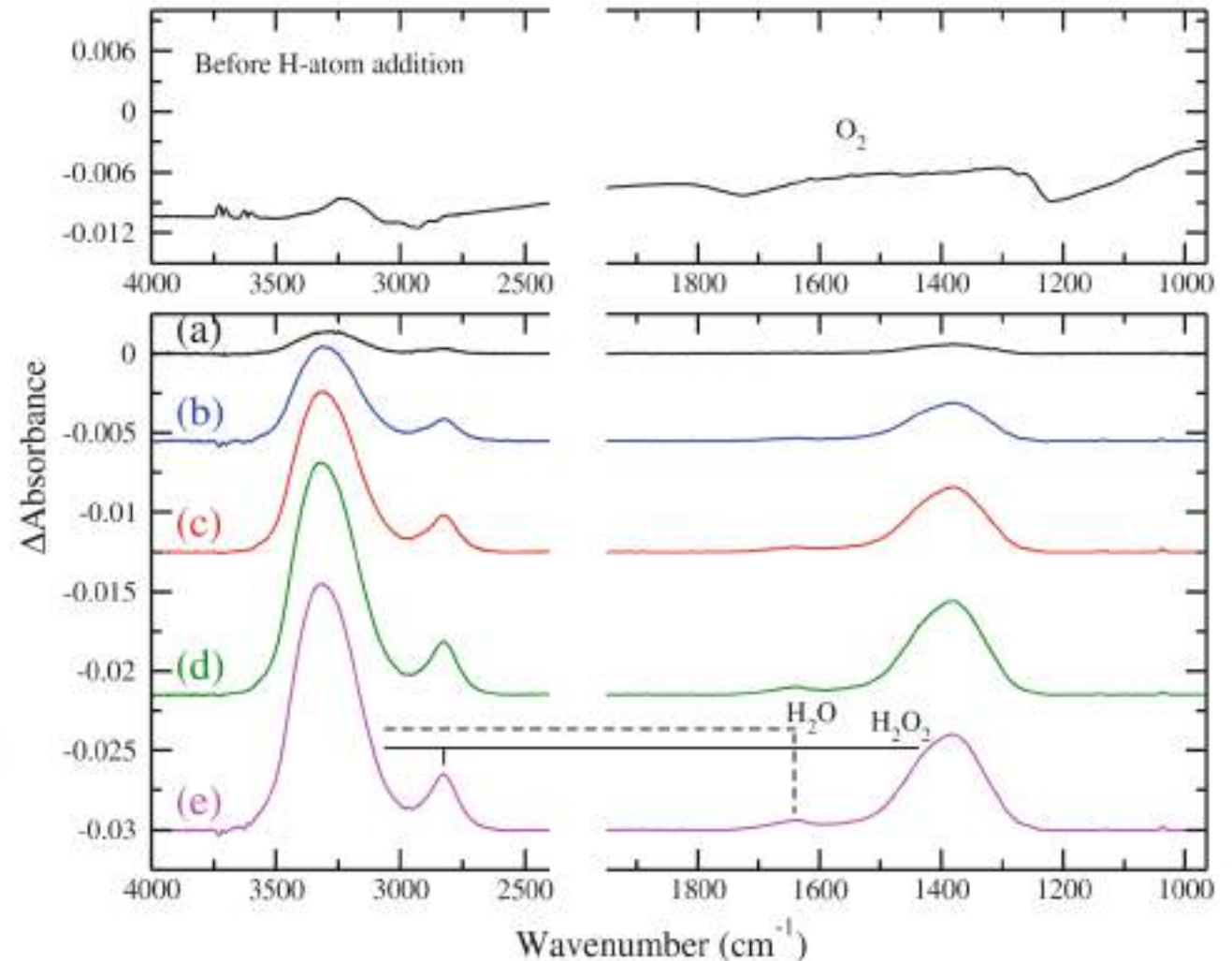
Pre-deposition:
35 ML of O₂ ice

Temperature:
 $T = 25$ K

H-atom flux:
 2.5×10^{13} cm⁻² s⁻¹

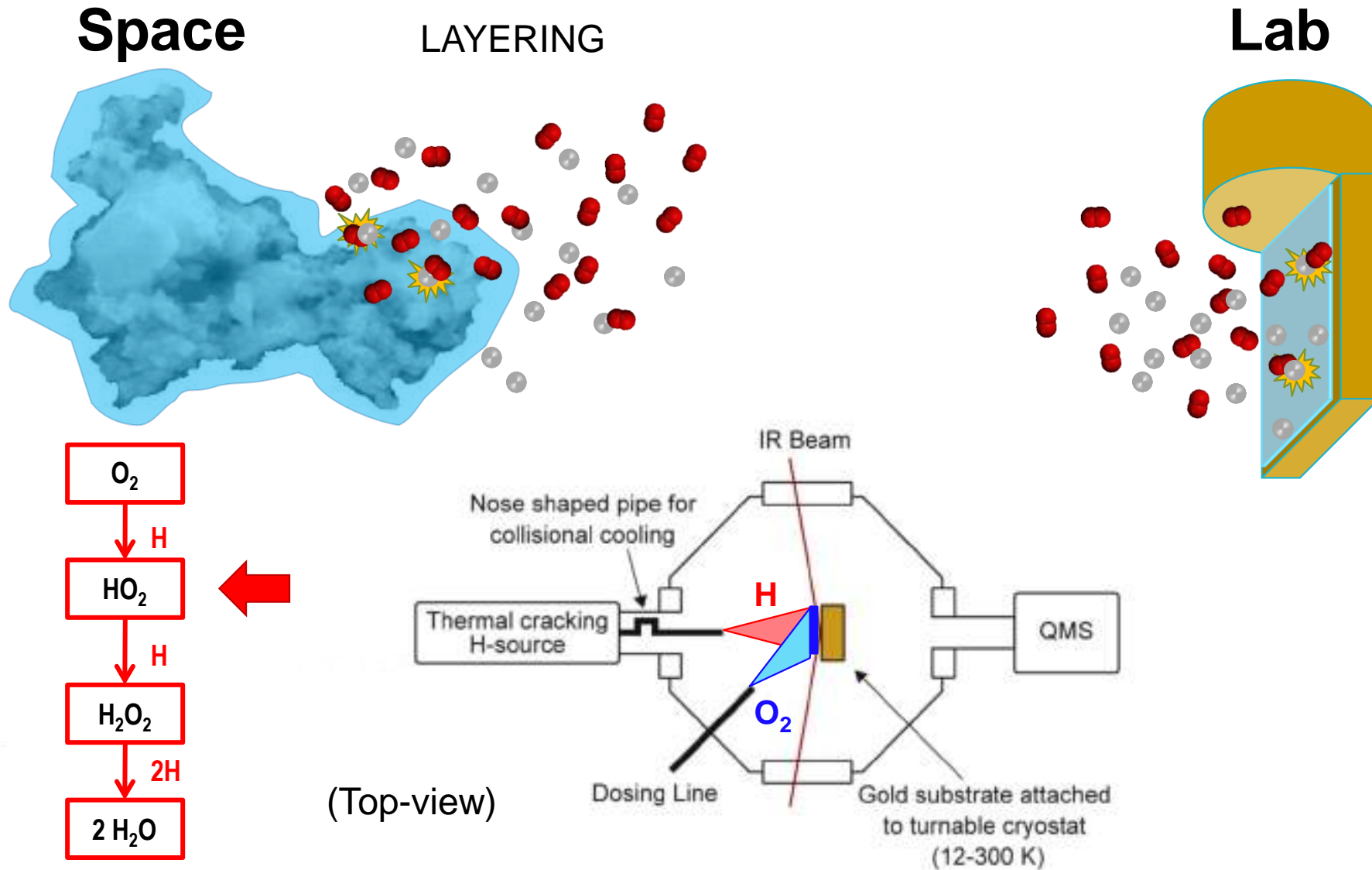
H-atom fluences:

- (a) 4×10^{15} atoms cm⁻²
- (b) 4×10^{16} atoms cm⁻²
- (c) 7×10^{16} atoms cm⁻²
- (d) 1×10^{17} atoms cm⁻²
- (e) 2×10^{17} atoms cm⁻²



Experimental Procedure

Co-deposition Experiments



Surface Hydrogenation of O₂

Co-deposition Experiments

Cuppen *et al.*, PCCP (2010)

Co-deposition:

O₂ + H ice

Temperature:

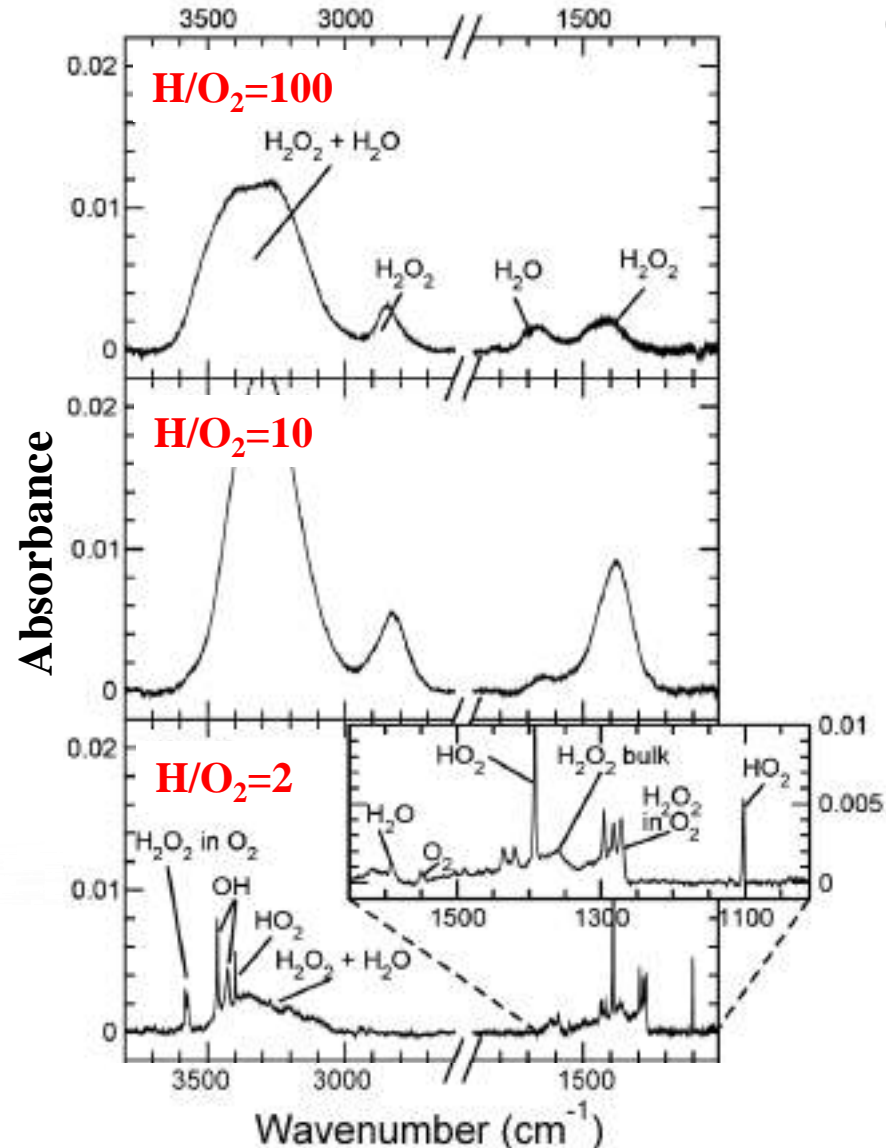
$T = 20$ K

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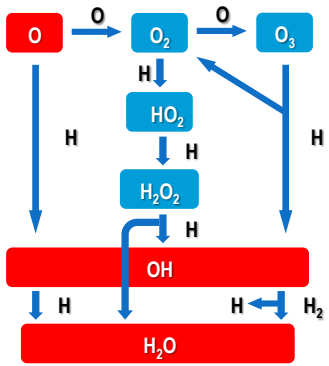
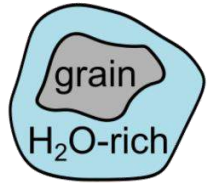
H-atom fluences:

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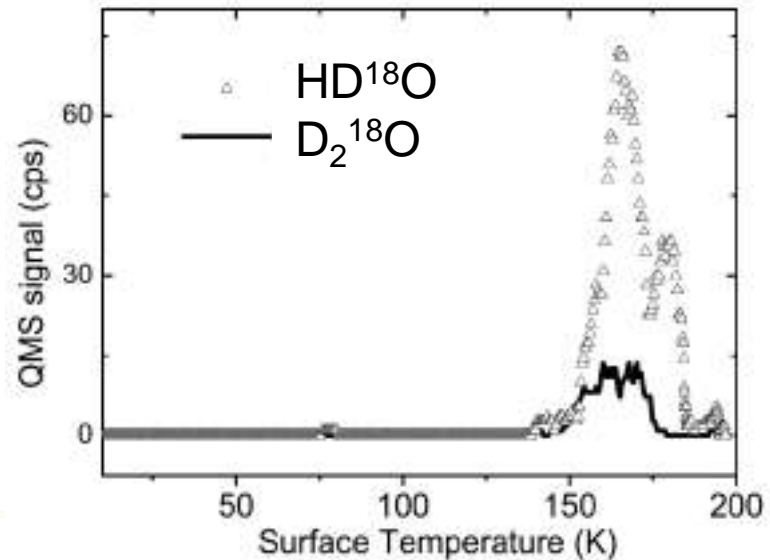


Hydrogenation of O Atoms

Transition from Diffuse to Dense Clouds ($A_V \sim 1-5$)

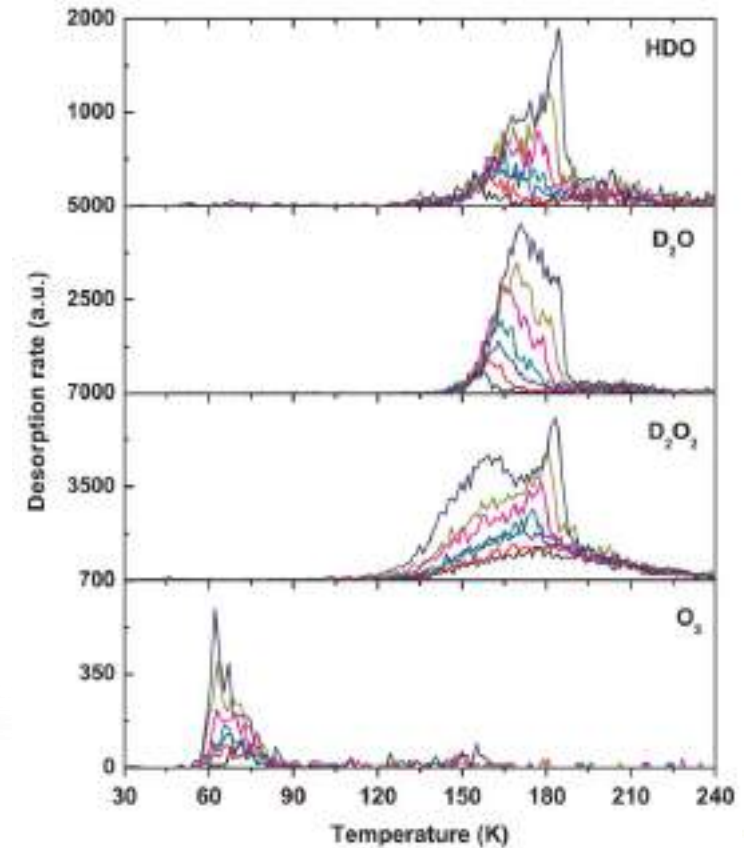


D + ¹⁸O on water ice (10K)

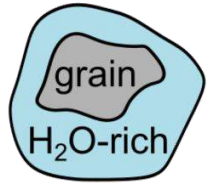


Dulieu *et al.*, A&A (2010)

D + ¹⁶O on bare grain analogs (15K)

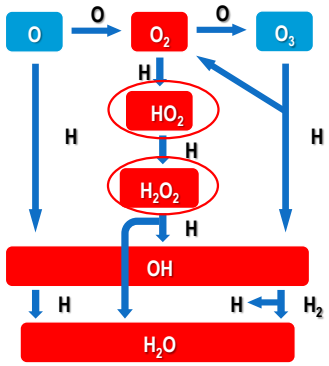


Jing *et al.*, ApJL (2011)



Hydrogenation of O₂

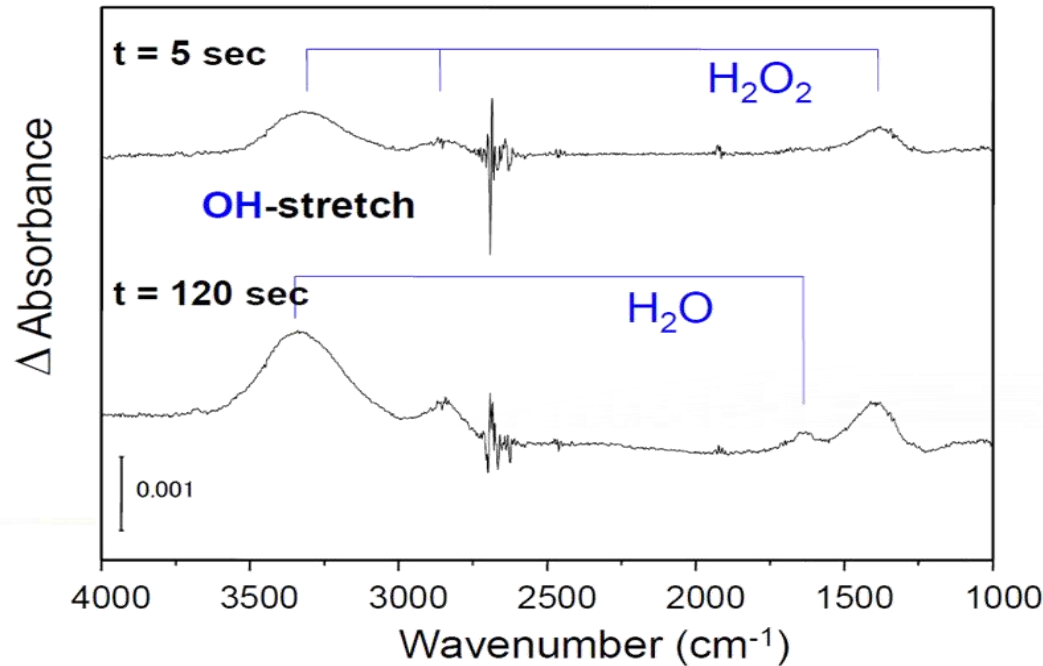
Dense Molecular Clouds ($A_V > 5$)



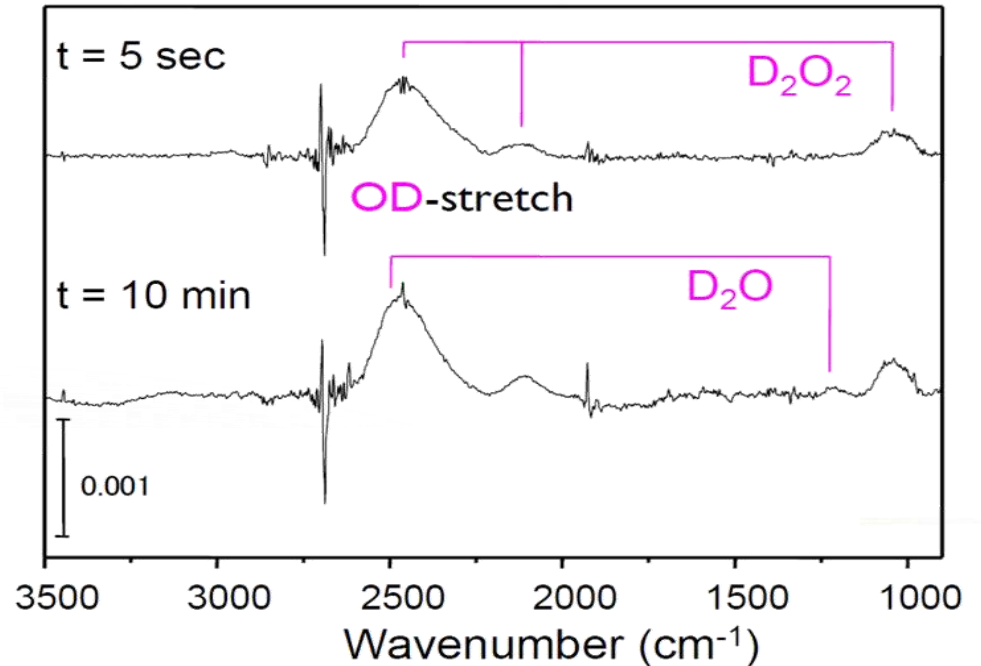
Detected in 2011 and 2012
Bergman, Parise et al.

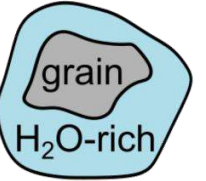
Miyauchi *et al.*, CPL (2008)

Solid O₂(10K) + H



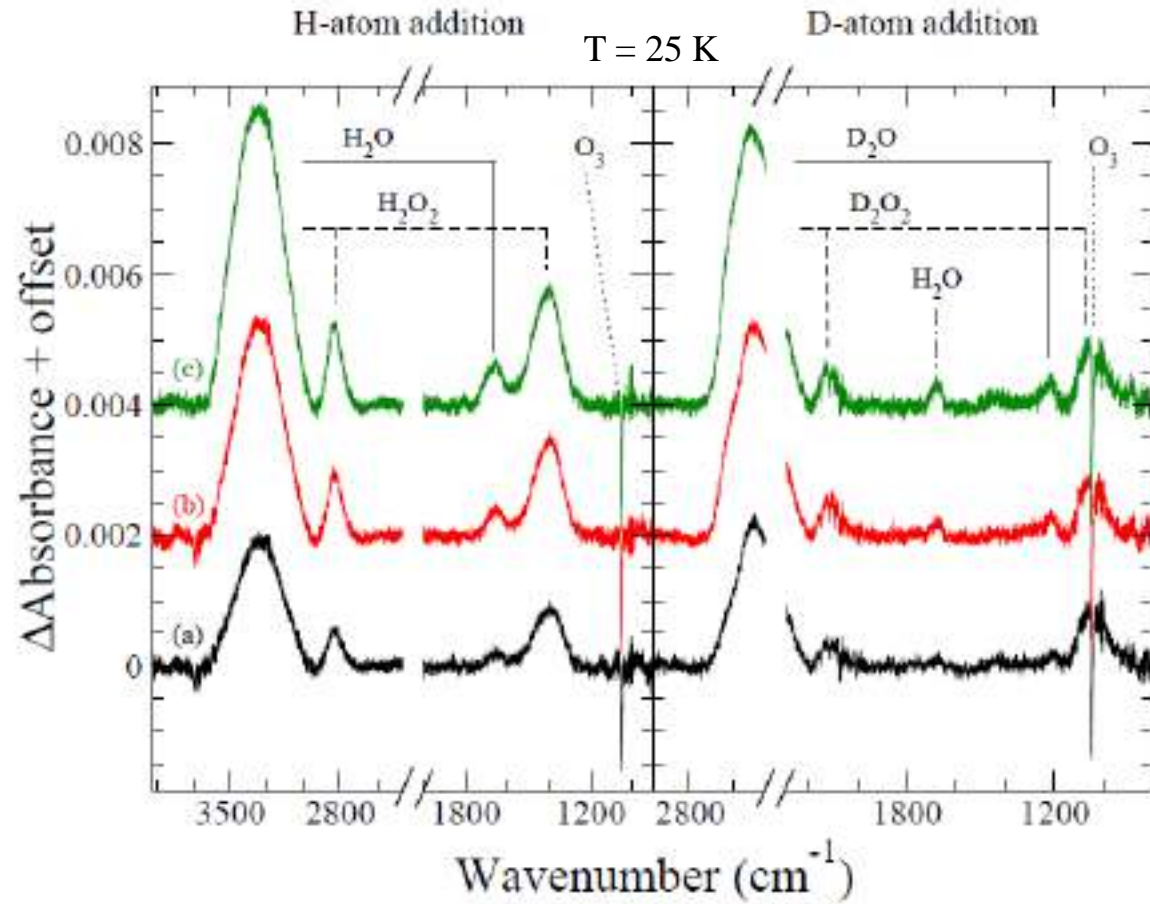
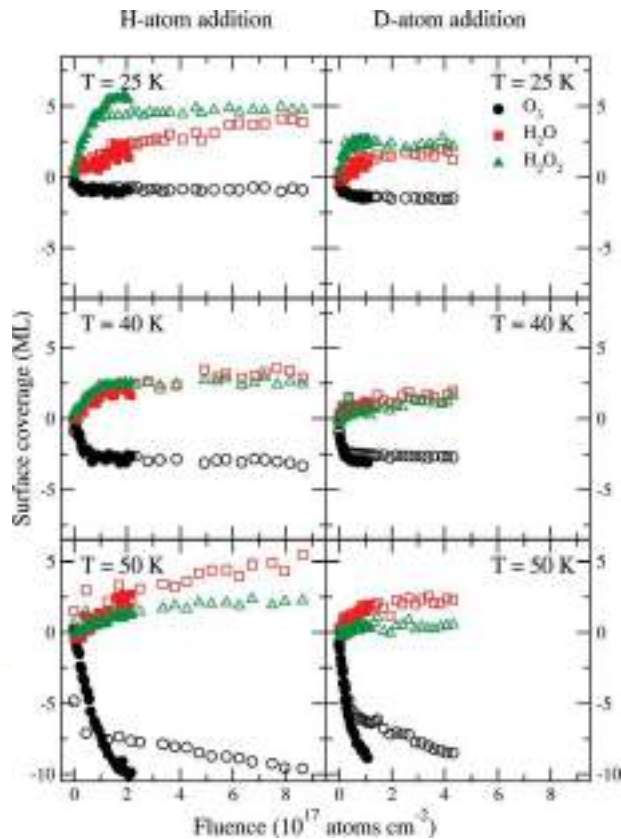
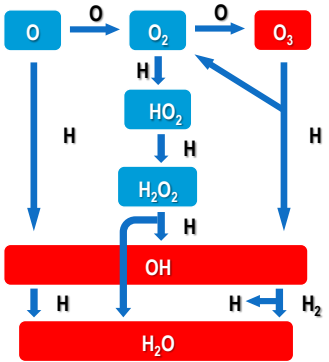
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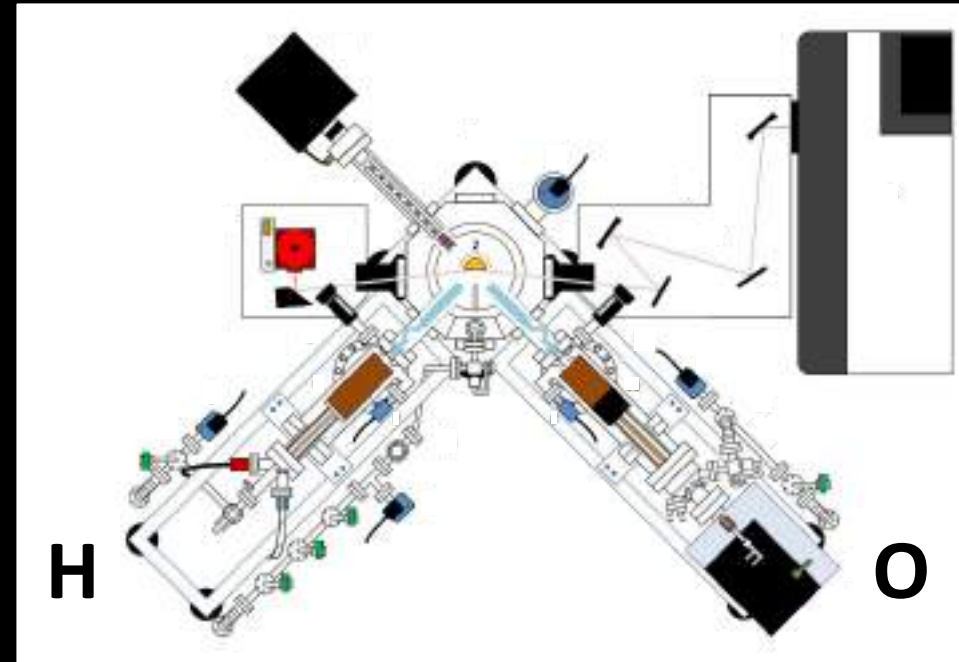
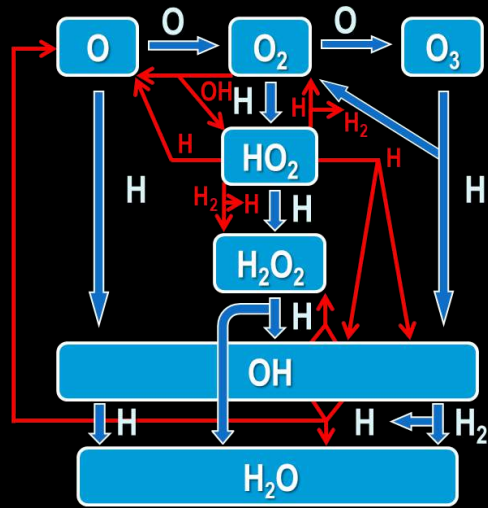
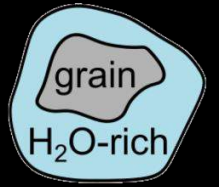


Hydrogenation of O₃

Dense Molecular Clouds ($A_V > 5$)



Surface Hydrogenation of O/O₂/O₃



Dulieu et al. 2010; Jing et al. 2011



Miyauchi et al. 2008; Ioppolo et al. 2008, 2010; Matar et al. 2008; Oba et al. 2009, 2012, 2014; Cuppen et al. 2010; Chaabouni et al. 2012; Lamberts et al. 2013, 2014a; 2014b; 2015; 2016

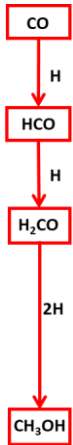
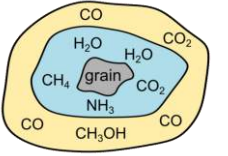


Mokrane et al. 2009; Romanzin et al. 2011

Surface Hydrogenation of CO

Pre-deposition Experiments

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Fuchs *et al.*, A&A(2009)

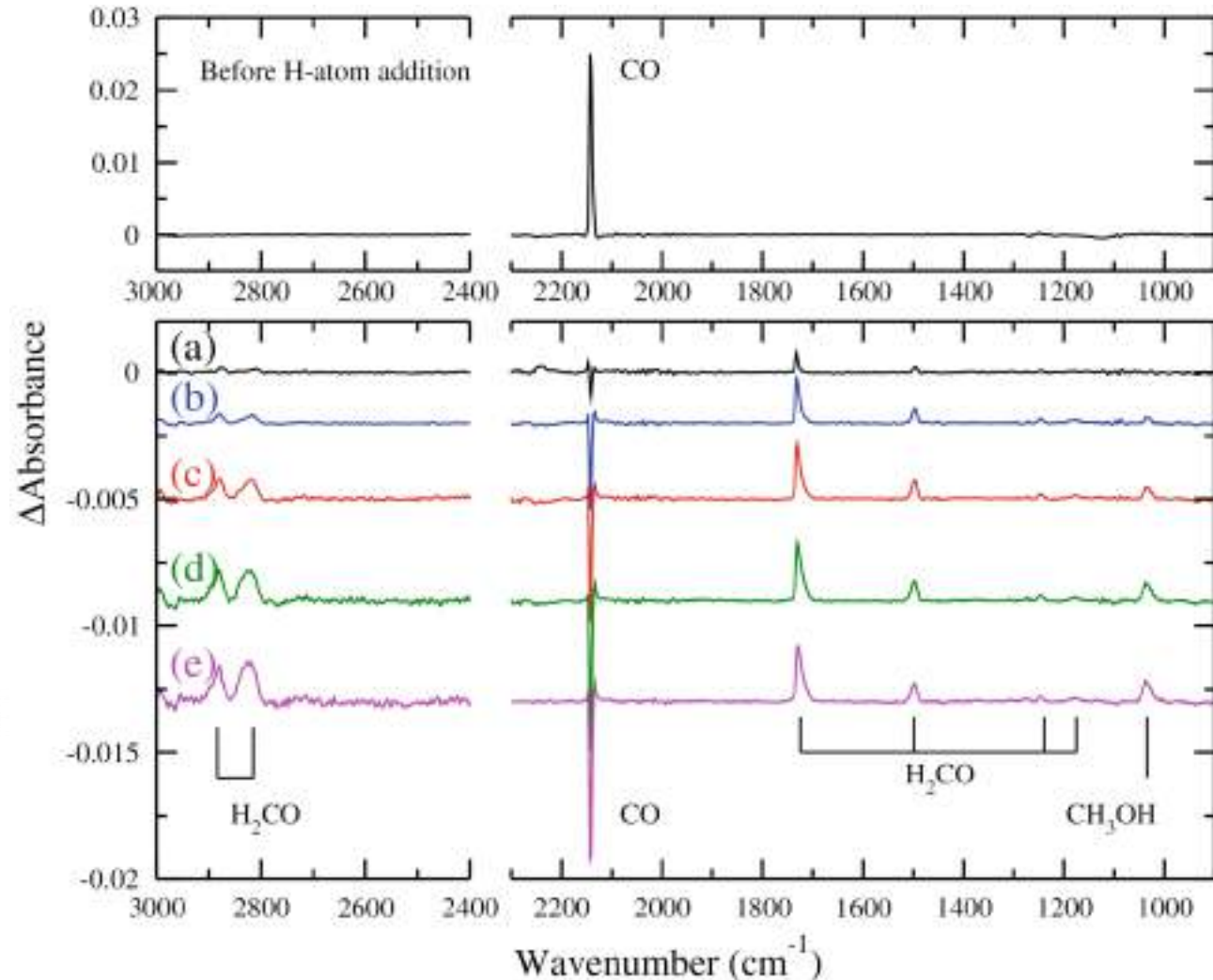
Deposition:
30 ML of CO ice

Temperature:
 $T = 15$ K

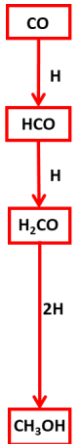
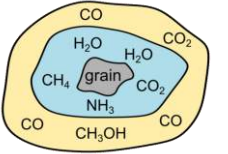
H-atom flux:
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H-atom fluences:

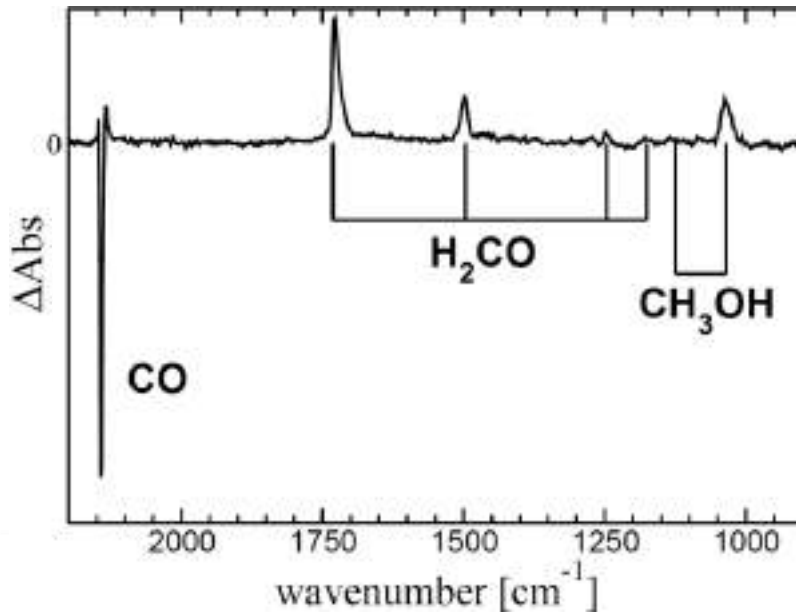
- (a) $1.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ atoms cm}^{-2}$
- (b) $4.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ atoms cm}^{-2}$
- (c) $9 \times 10^{16} \text{ atoms cm}^{-2}$
- (d) $1.8 \times 10^{17} \text{ atoms cm}^{-2}$
- (e) $2.7 \times 10^{17} \text{ atoms cm}^{-2}$



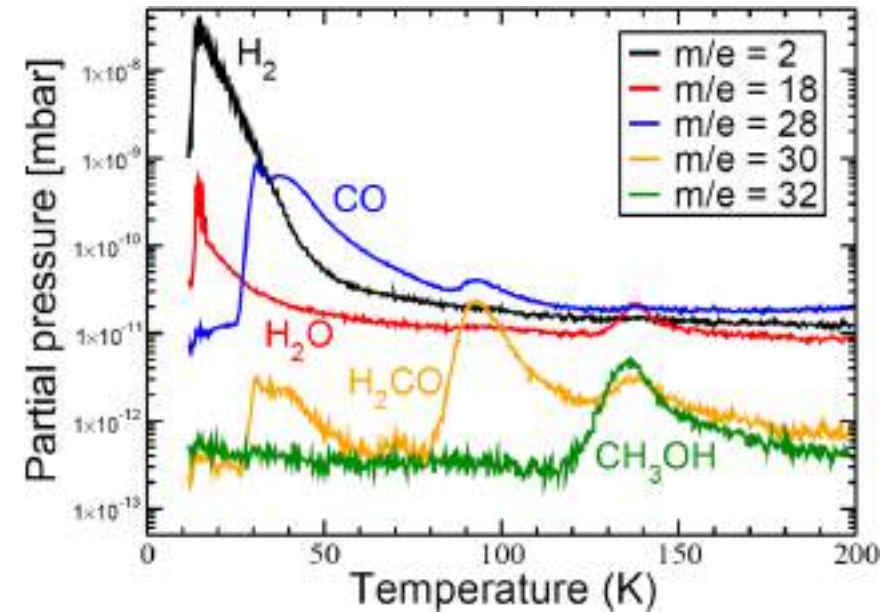
Surface Hydrogenation of CO



RAIR Spectrum

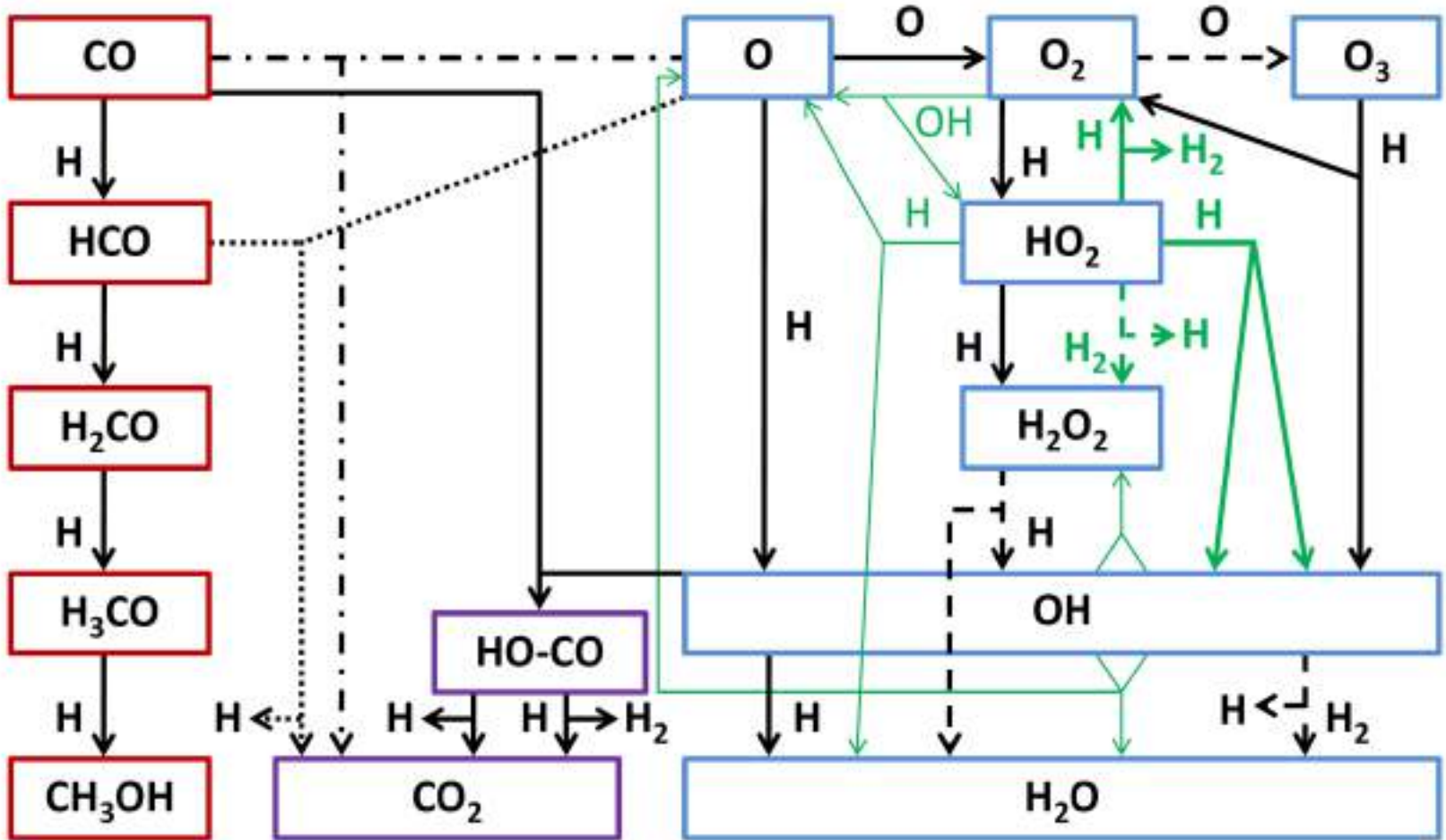
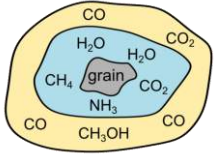


TPD Spectrum (rate = 2 K min⁻¹)



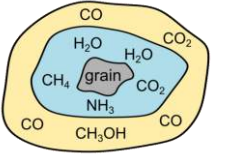
Watanabe *et al.*, ApJ (2004)
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Formation of H₂O, CH₃OH, ..., and CO₂

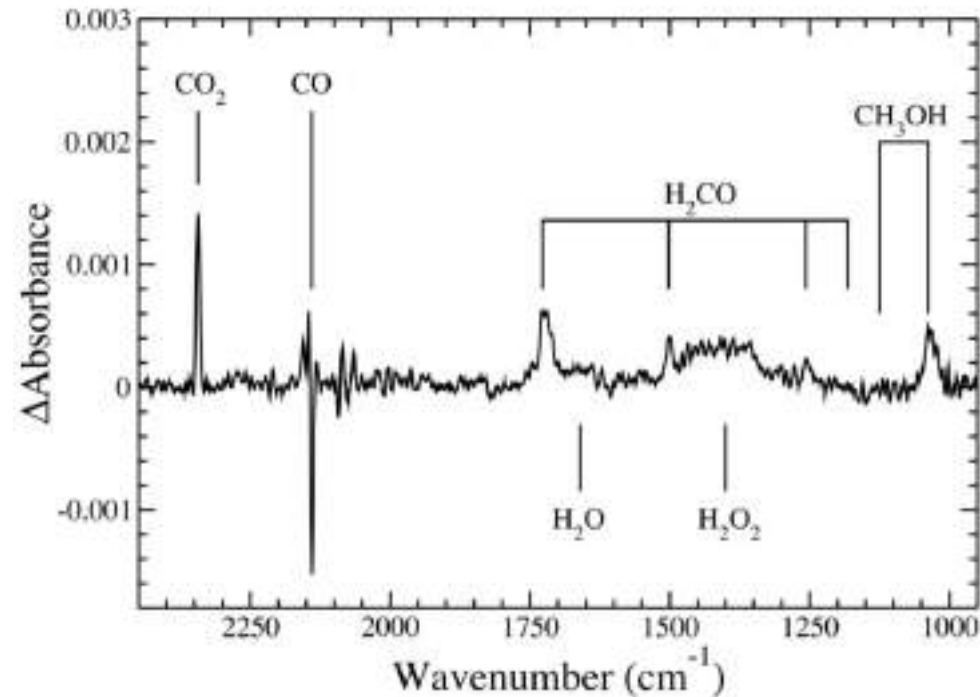
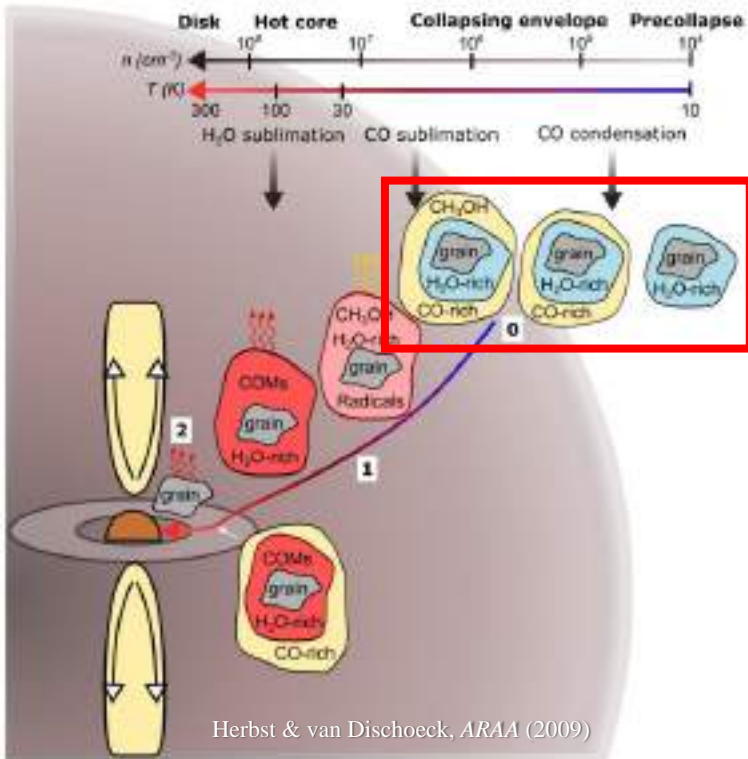
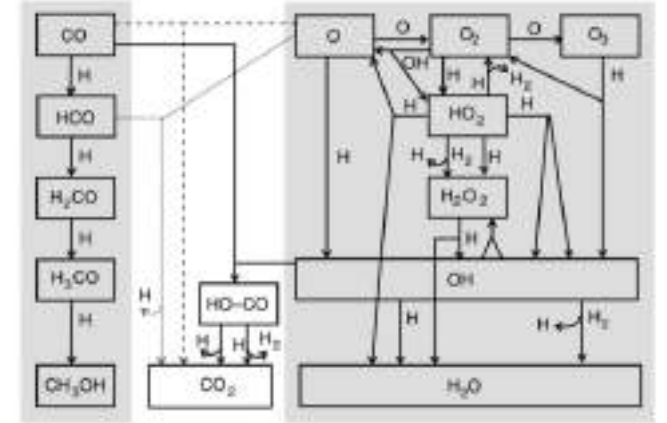


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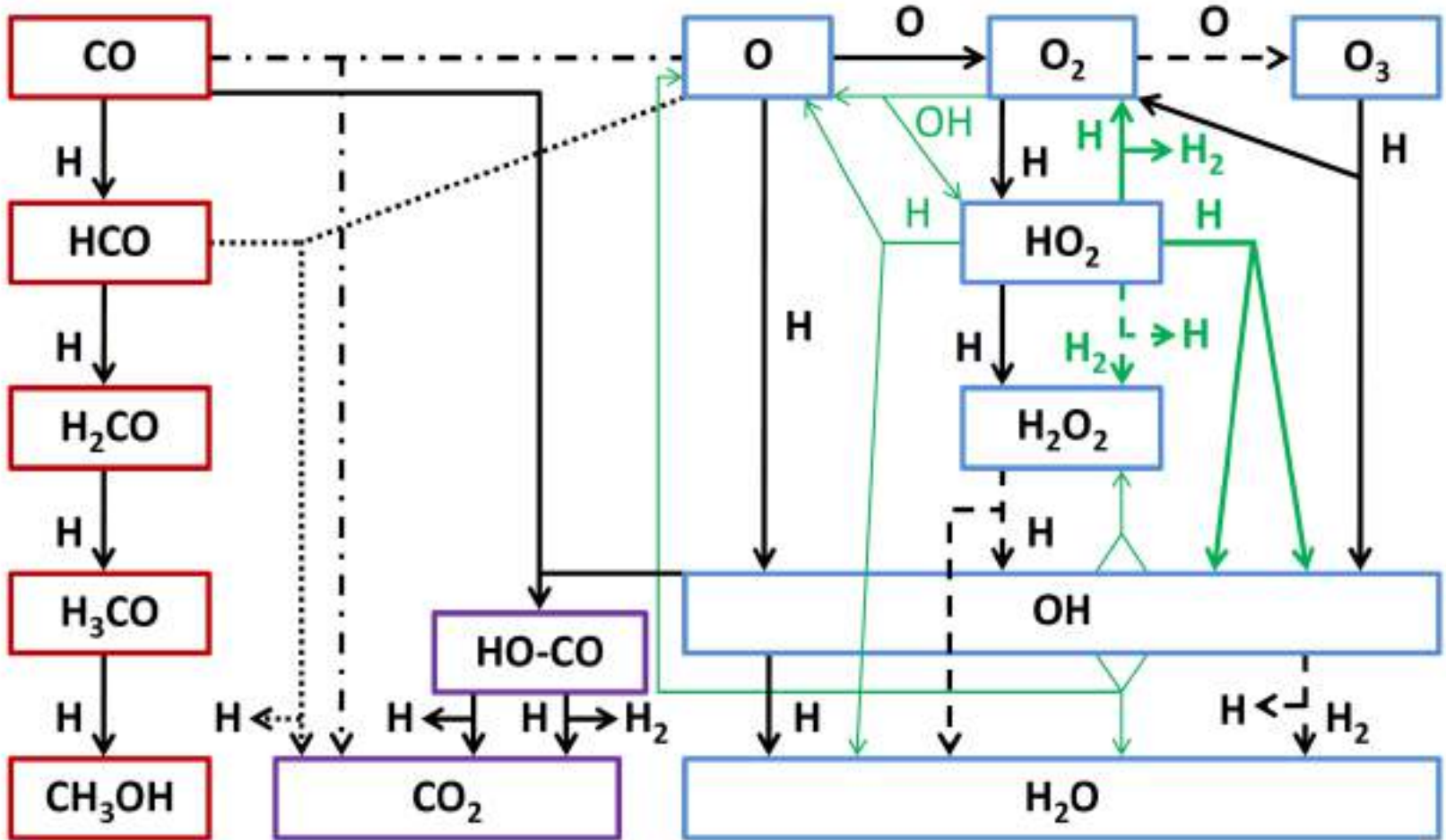
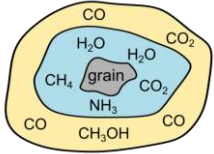
Formation of CO₂ in Space



Oba *et al.*, ApJL (2010)
Ioppolo *et al.*, MNRAS (2011)
Noble *et al.*, ApJ (2011)

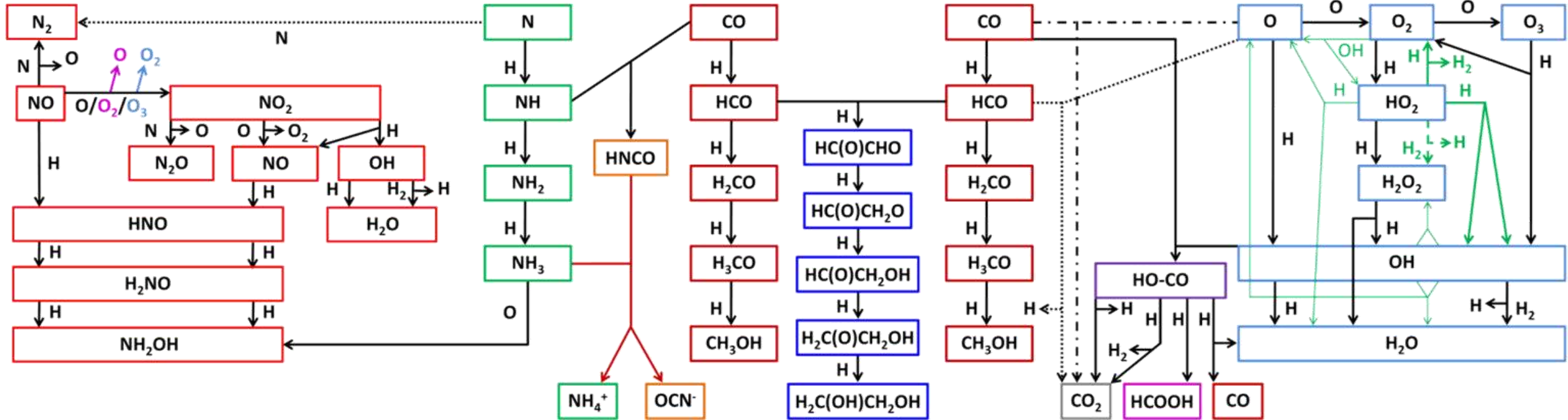
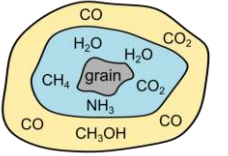


Formation of H₂O, CO₂, CH₃OH ice, ...



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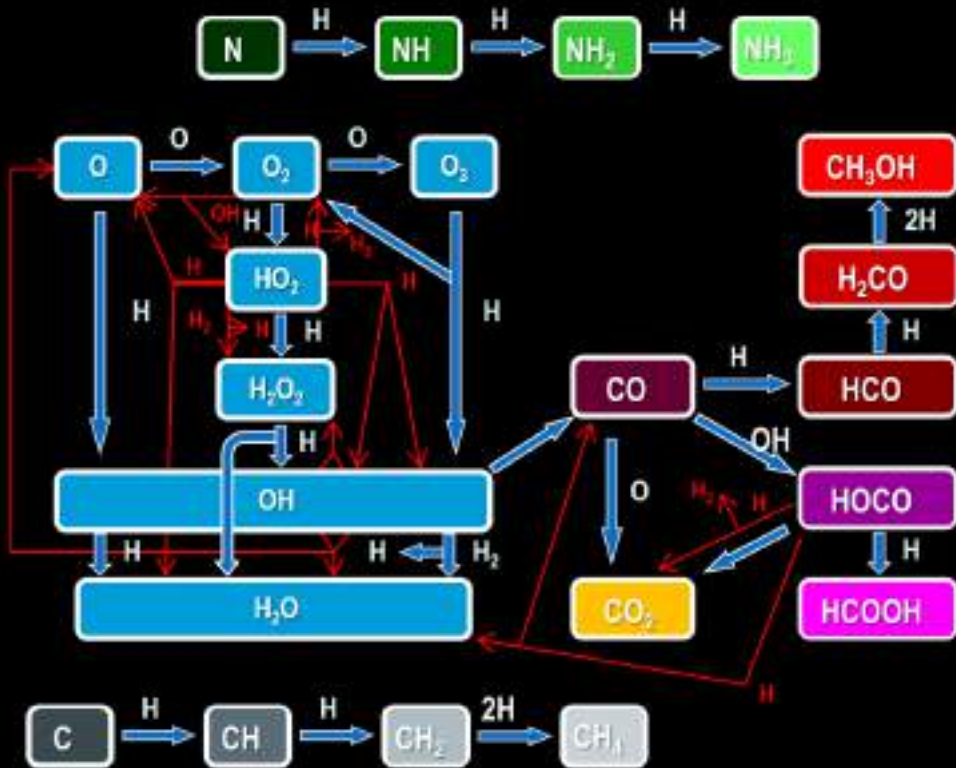
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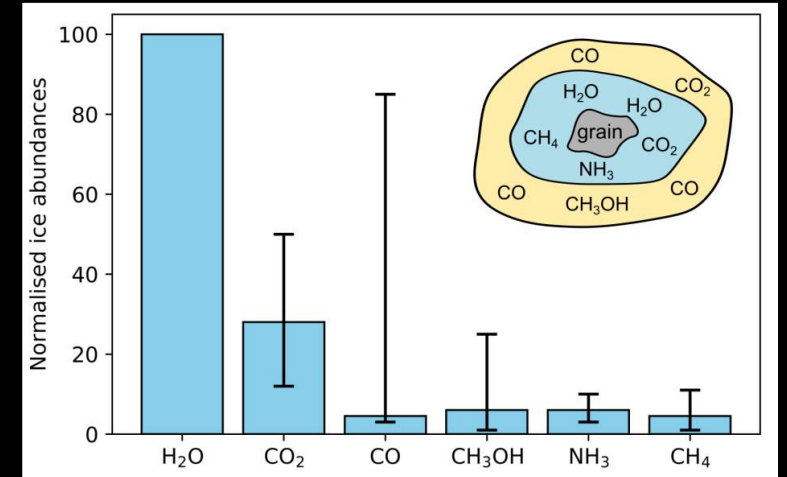
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Simple Molecules form via Dark Chemistry

Dark Chemistry = Atom/Radical-Addition Surface Chemistry
 = No photons involved in chemistry, no light!



Linnartz *et al.*, *Int. Rev. Phys. Chem.* (2015)



Öberg, *Chem. Rev.* (2016)

Ioppolo *et al.*, *ApJ* (2008)

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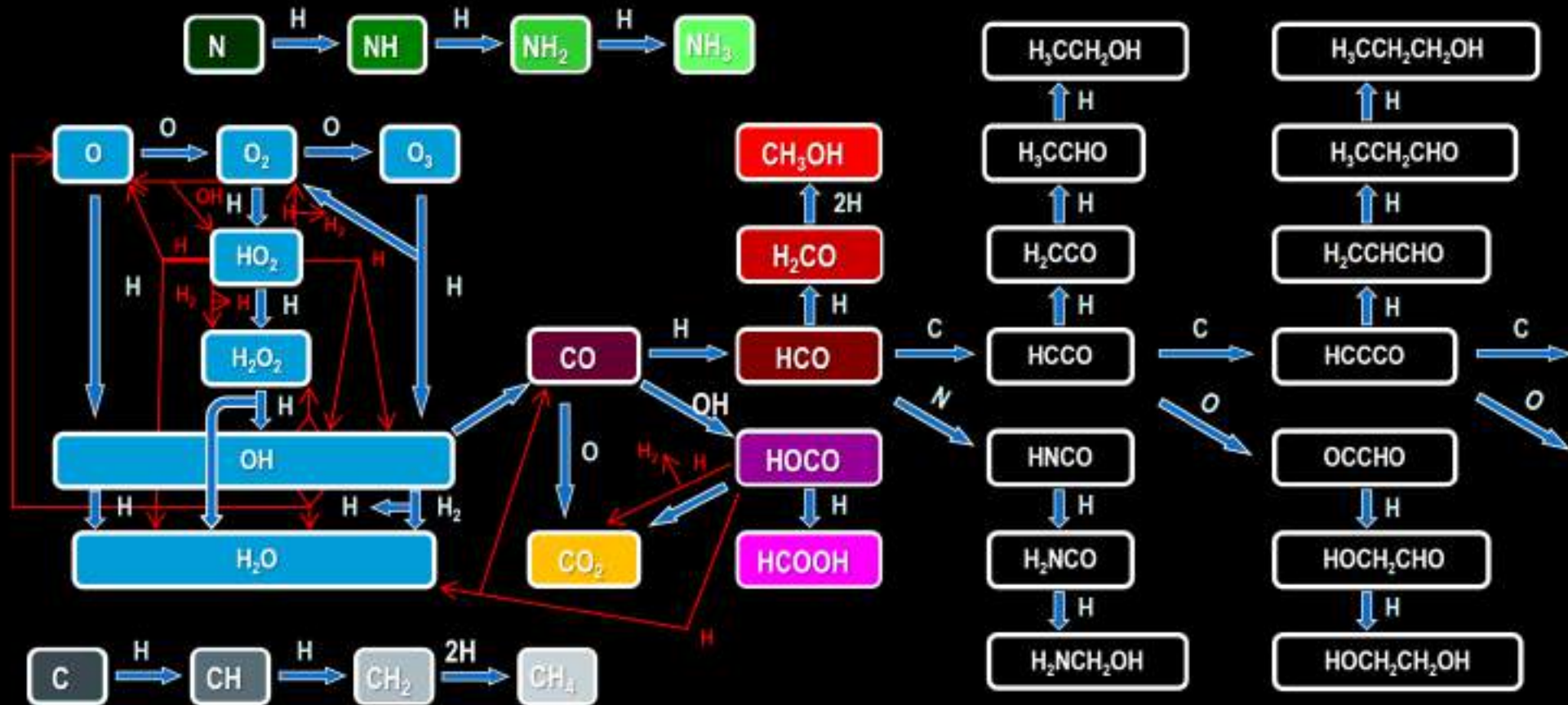
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Qasim *et al.*, *Nature Astron.* (2020)

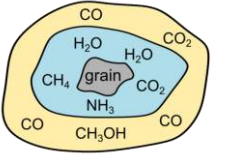


Can COMs form via Dark Chemistry?

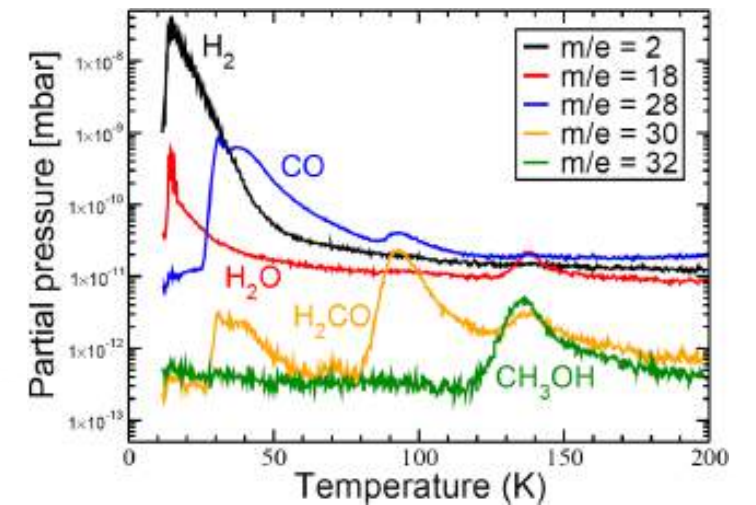
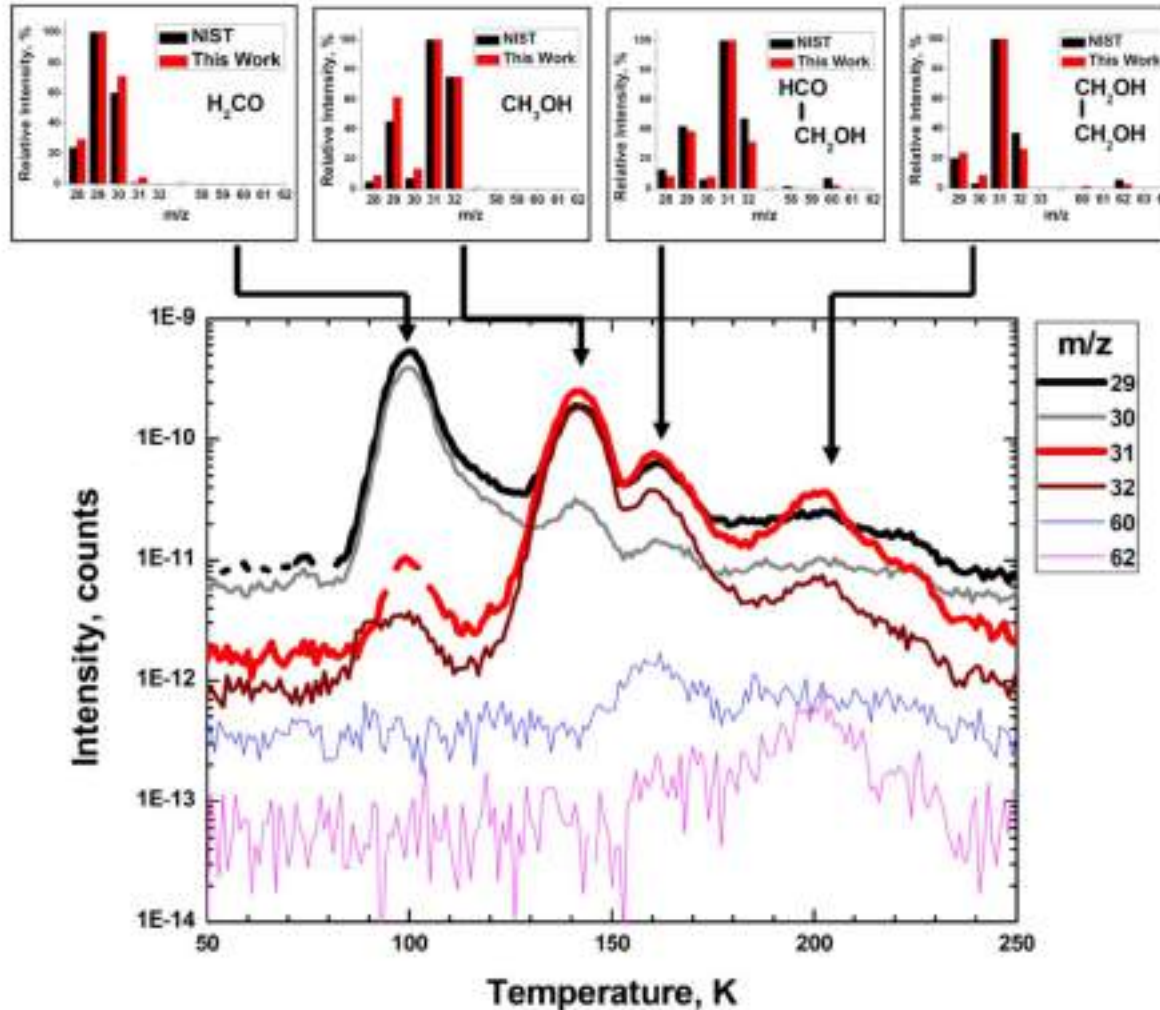


Surface Hydrogenation of CO

Co-deposition Experiments (CO+H)

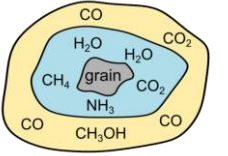


Fedoseev *et al.*, MNRAS (2015)



360 min (co)deposition at 13 K of CO:H=1:25 with H-atom flux of 5×10^{14} atoms $\text{min}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2}$ (~ 7 ML of ice)

COMs formed via Dark Chemistry

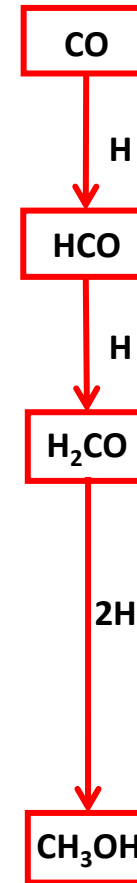
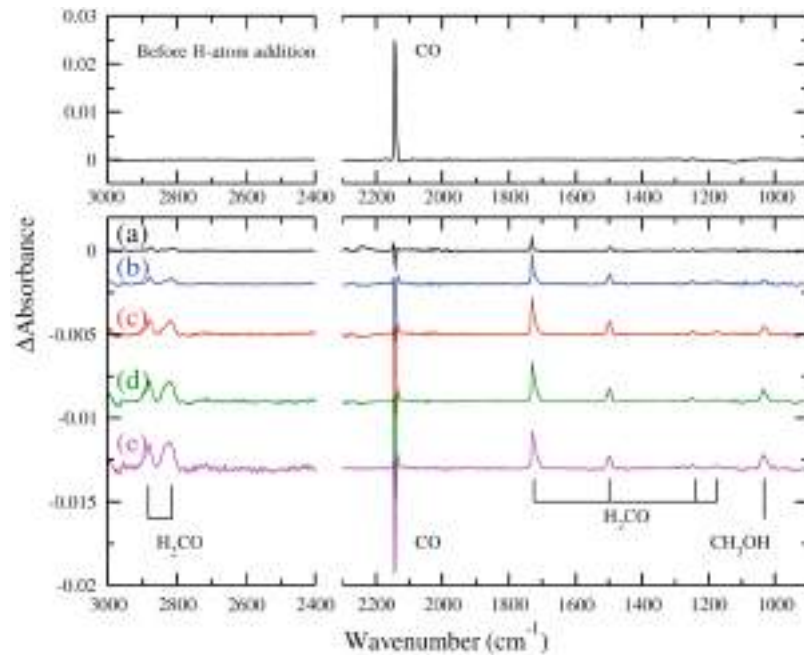


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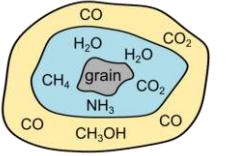
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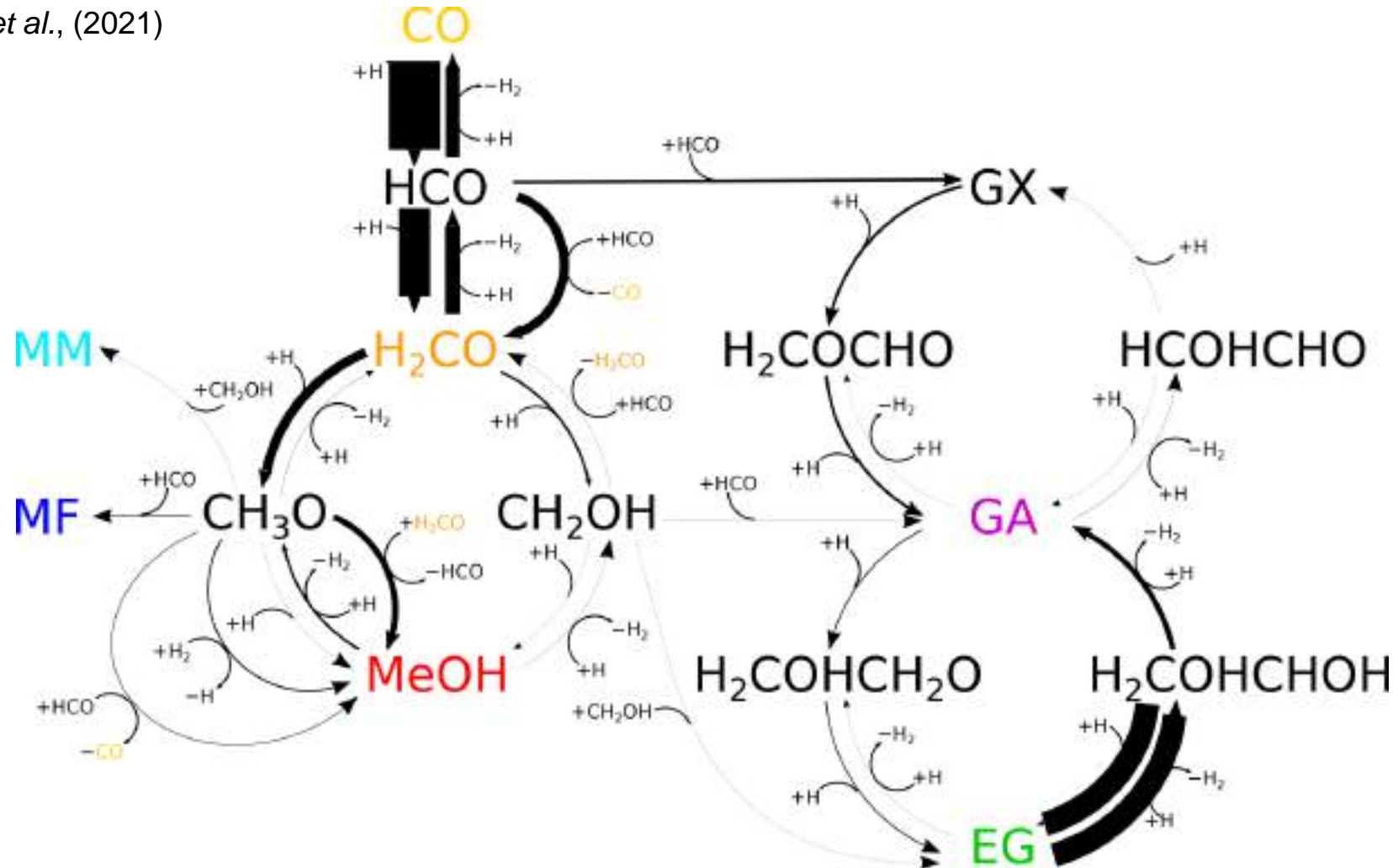


COMs formed via Dark Chemistry



Simons *et al.*, (2020)

He *et al.*, (2021)



COMs formed via Dark Chemistry

A non-diffusive reaction mechanism at 10 K

Fedoseev *et al.*, MNRAS (2015)

Chuang *et al.*, MNRAS (2016)

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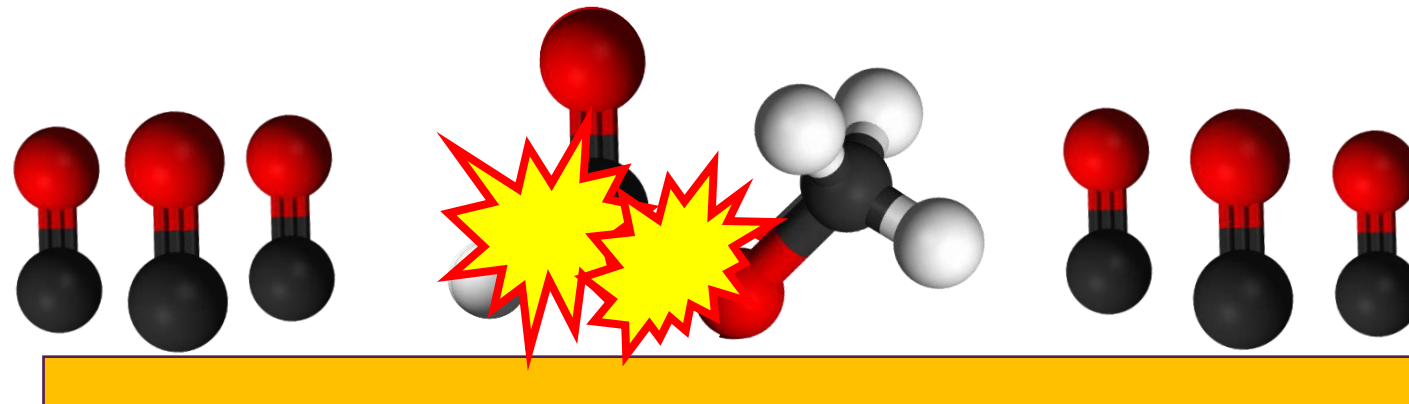
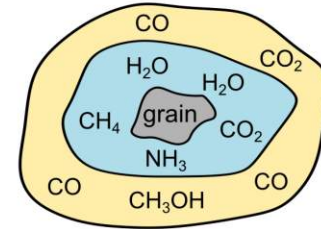
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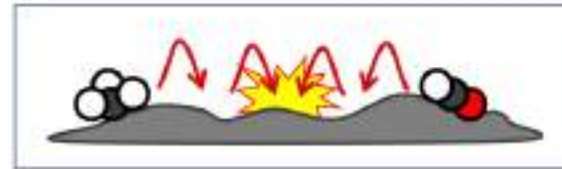


COMs formed via Dark Chemistry

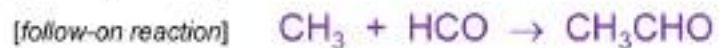
A non-diffusive reaction mechanism at 10 K

Jin and Garrod, ApJS (2020)
Garrod *et al.*, ApJS (2021)

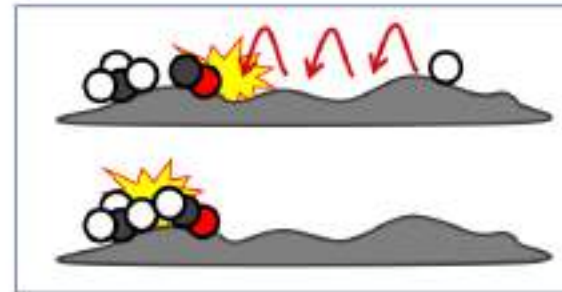
- *Diffusive:* $\text{CH}_3 + \text{HCO} \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{CHO}$
(very slow at low temps)



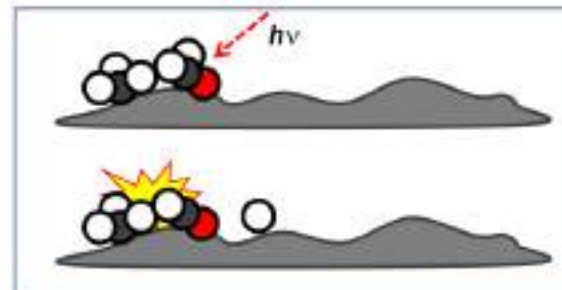
- *Non-diffusive (3-body reaction, 3B):*



⇒ only H needs to move!



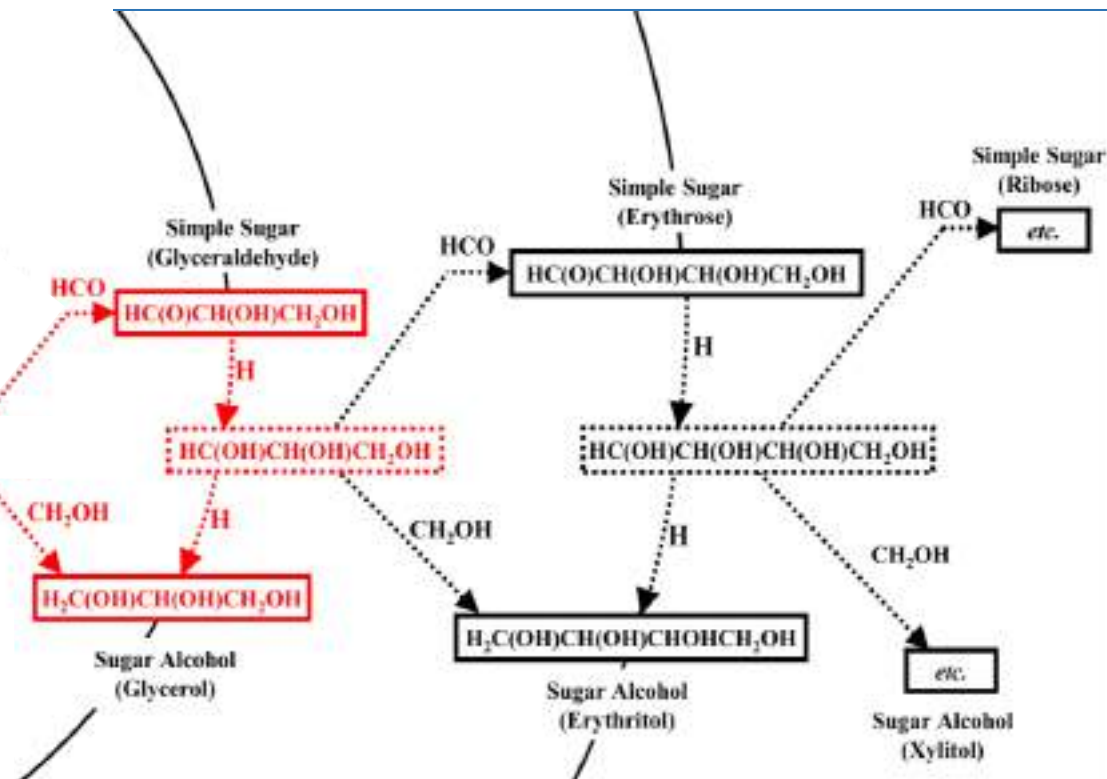
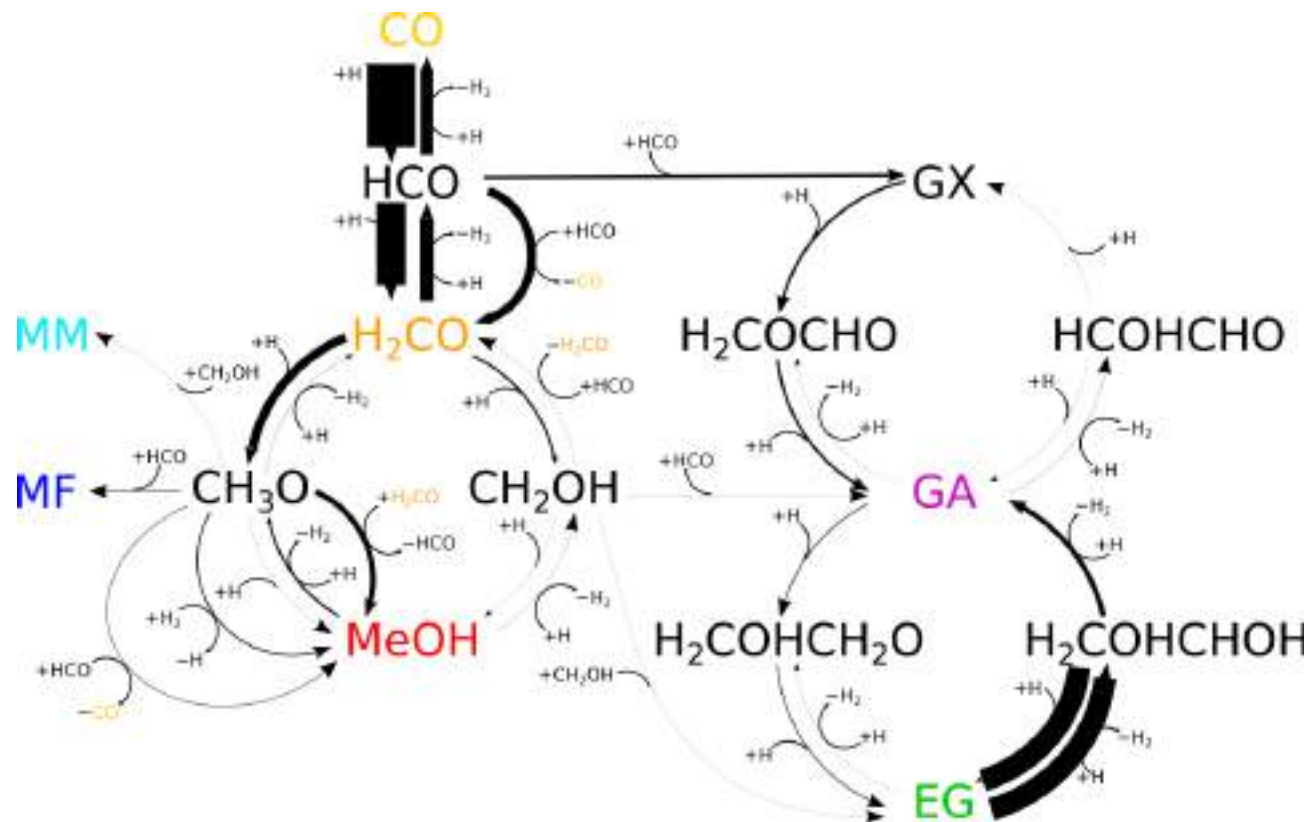
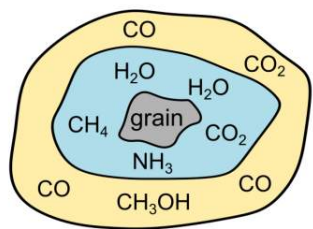
- *Non-diffusive (photodissociation-induced, PDI):*



First models of hot cores to use a **diffusive + non-diffusive** treatment.

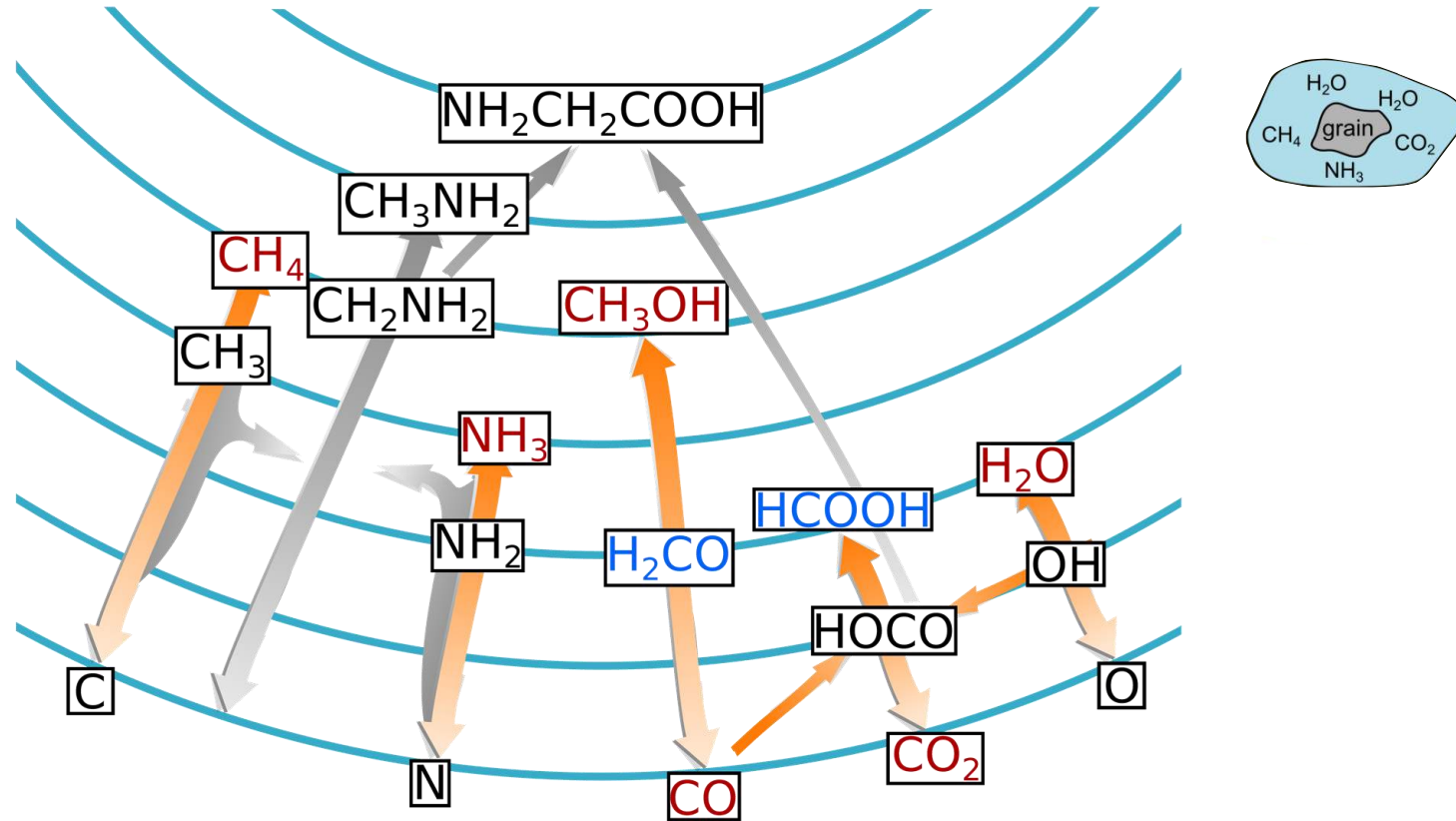
COM production shifted to much earlier times / lower temperatures.

Sugars form via Dark Chemistry



Fedoseev *et al.*, ApJ (2017)
 Simons *et al.*, A&A (2020)
 He *et al.*, A&A (2021)

Can Glycine form in a water-rich ice?



Qasim *et al.*, Nat. Astron. (2020)

Fedoseev *et al.*, MNRAS (2015)

Fuchs *et al.*, A&A (2009)

Ioppolo *et al.*, MNRAS (2011a)

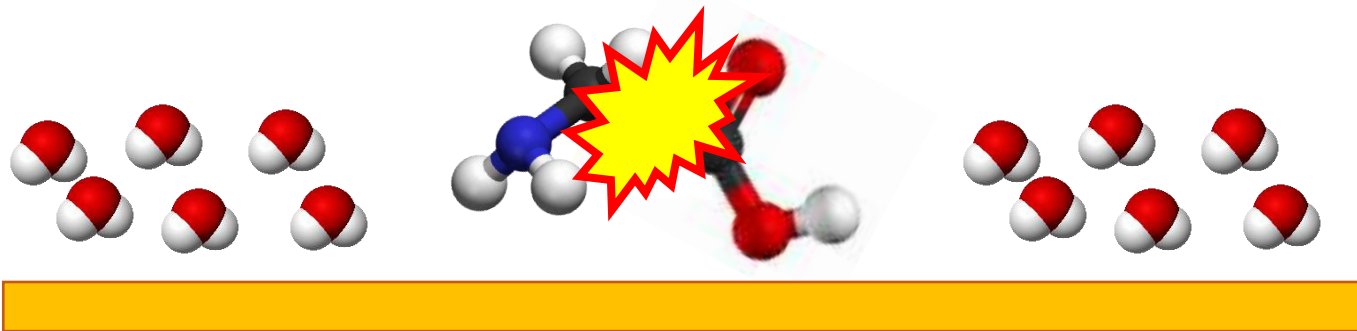
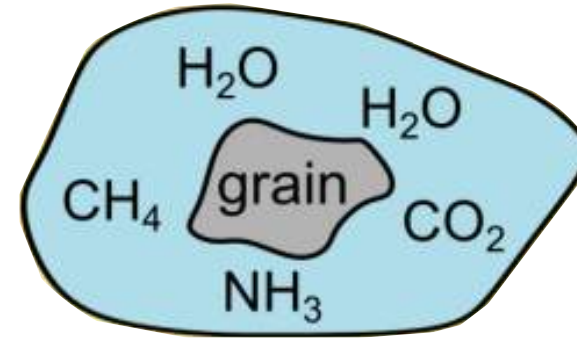
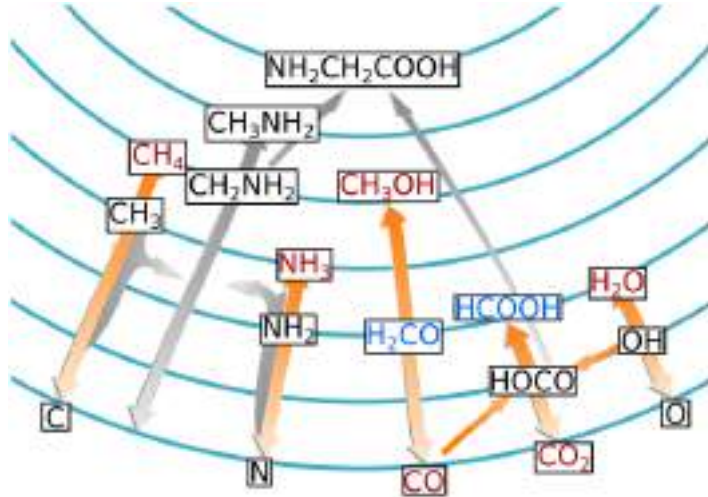
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Surface Glycine Formation

Testing the reaction channel

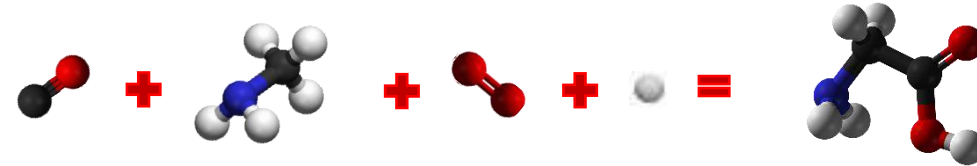
(Ioppolo *et al.*, Nat. Astron. 2020)



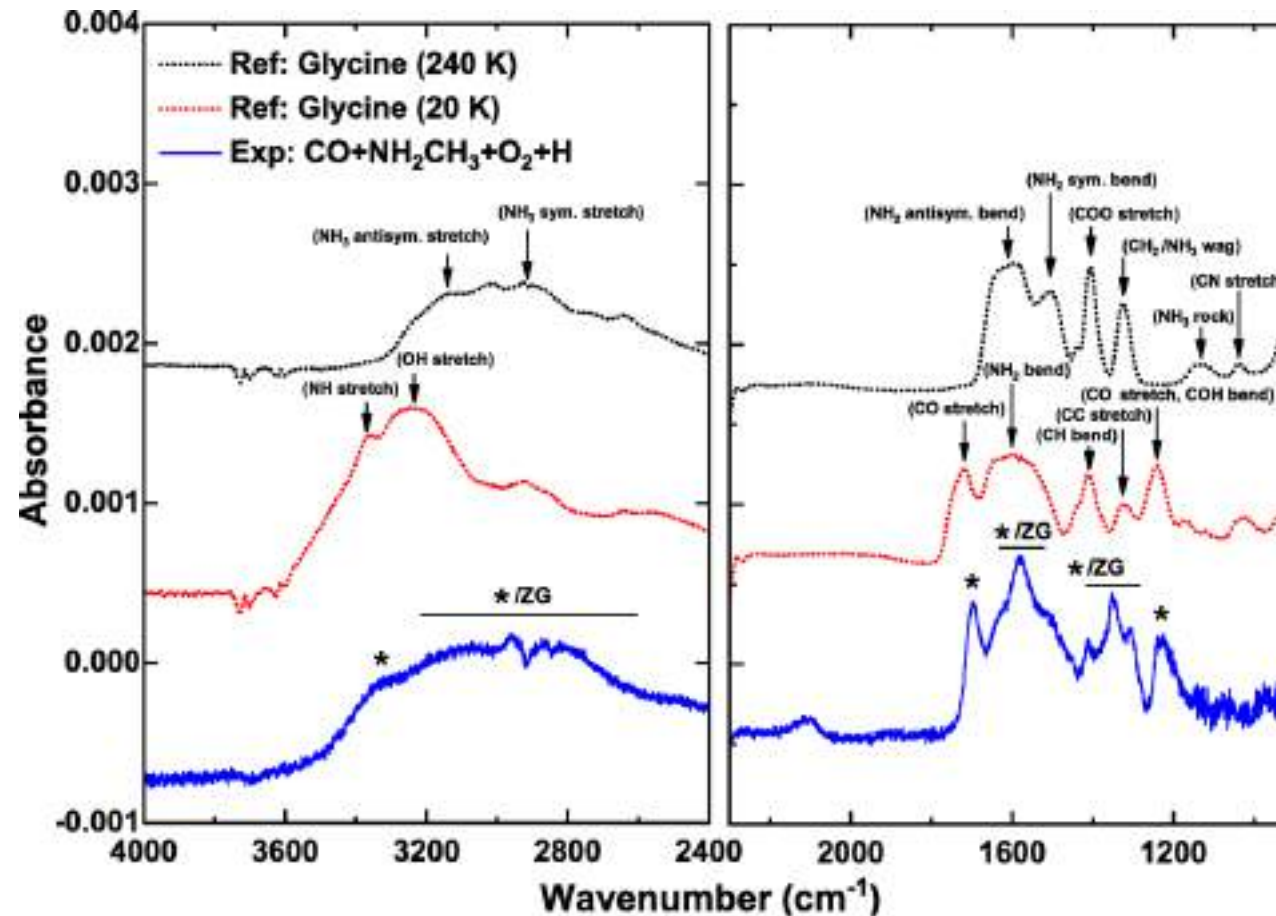
10 K

Surface Glycine Formation

Main experiments FTIR-TPD



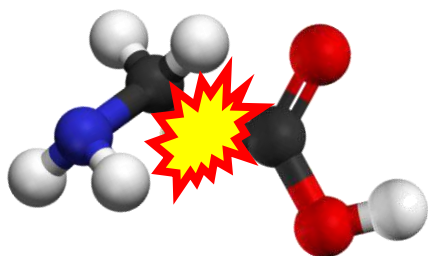
Neutral and zwitterionic Glycine at 234 - 285 K



Beyond Experimental Limits: Model I

Microscopic kinetic Monte Carlo model

(see Cuppen & Herbst, 2007)



Reaction	k (s ⁻¹)	Branching ratio	Reaction	k (s ⁻¹)	Branching ratio
H + H → H ₂	2 × 10 ¹¹		NH ₂ CH ₃ + H → NCH ₃ + H ₂	9 × 10 ⁻¹	
H + O → OH	2 × 10 ¹¹		NH ₂ CH ₃ + OH → NCH ₃ + H ₂ O	4 × 10 ⁻³	
H + OH → H ₂ O	2 × 10 ¹¹		NCH ₃ + HO-CO → NH ₂ CH ₂ COOH	2 × 10 ¹¹	
CO + H → HCO	2 × 10 ⁻³		OH + H ₂ → H ₂ O + H	2 × 10 ⁵	
HCO + H → H ₂ CO	2 × 10 ¹¹	0.33	O + O → O ₂	2 × 10 ¹¹	
HCO + H → H ₂ + CO		0.67	O ₂ + H → HO ₂	1 × 10 ¹¹	
H ₂ CO + H → HCO + H ₂	2 × 10 ⁻⁴	0.5	H + HO ₂ → OH + OH	2 × 10 ¹¹	0.94
H ₂ CO + H → H ₃ CO		0.5	H + HO ₂ → H ₂ + O ₂		0.02
H ₃ CO + H → H ₃ COH	2 × 10 ¹¹		H + HO ₂ → H ₂ O + O		0.05
CO + OH → HO-CO	7 × 10 ⁻²	0.5	OH + OH → H ₂ O ₂	2 × 10 ¹¹	0.87
CO + OH → CO ₂ + H		0.5	OH + OH → H ₂ O + O		0.13
HO-CO + H → CO ₂ + H ₂	2 × 10 ¹¹	0.5	H ₂ O ₂ + H → H ₂ O + OH	3 × 10 ⁴	
HO-CO + H → HCOOH		0.5	N + N → N ₂	2 × 10 ¹¹	
N + H → NH	2 × 10 ¹¹		N + O → NO	2 × 10 ¹¹	
NH + H → NH ₂	2 × 10 ¹¹		NO + H → HNO	2 × 10 ¹¹	
NH ₂ + H → NH ₃	2 × 10 ¹¹		HNO + H → H ₂ NO	2 × 10 ¹¹	0.5
C + H → CH	2 × 10 ¹¹		HNO + H → NO + H ₂		0.5
CH + H → CH ₂	2 × 10 ¹¹		HNO + O → NO + OH	2 × 10 ¹¹	
CH ₂ + H → CH ₃	2 × 10 ¹¹		O + NH → HNO	2 × 10 ¹¹	
CH ₃ + H → CH ₄	2 × 10 ¹¹		N + NH → N ₂ + H	2 × 10 ¹¹	
CH ₄ + OH → CH ₃ + H ₂ O	5 × 10 ²		NH + NH → N ₂ + H ₂	2 × 10 ¹¹	
NH ₂ + CH ₃ → NH ₂ CH ₃	2 × 10 ¹¹		C + O → CO	2 × 10 ¹¹	
NH ₃ + CH → NCH ₃	2 × 10 ¹¹		CH ₃ + OH → CH ₃ OH	2 × 10 ¹¹	
NCH ₃ + H → NH ₂ CH ₃	2 × 10 ¹¹				

Beyond Experimental Limits: Model 2

Full gas-grain astrochemical kinetics model

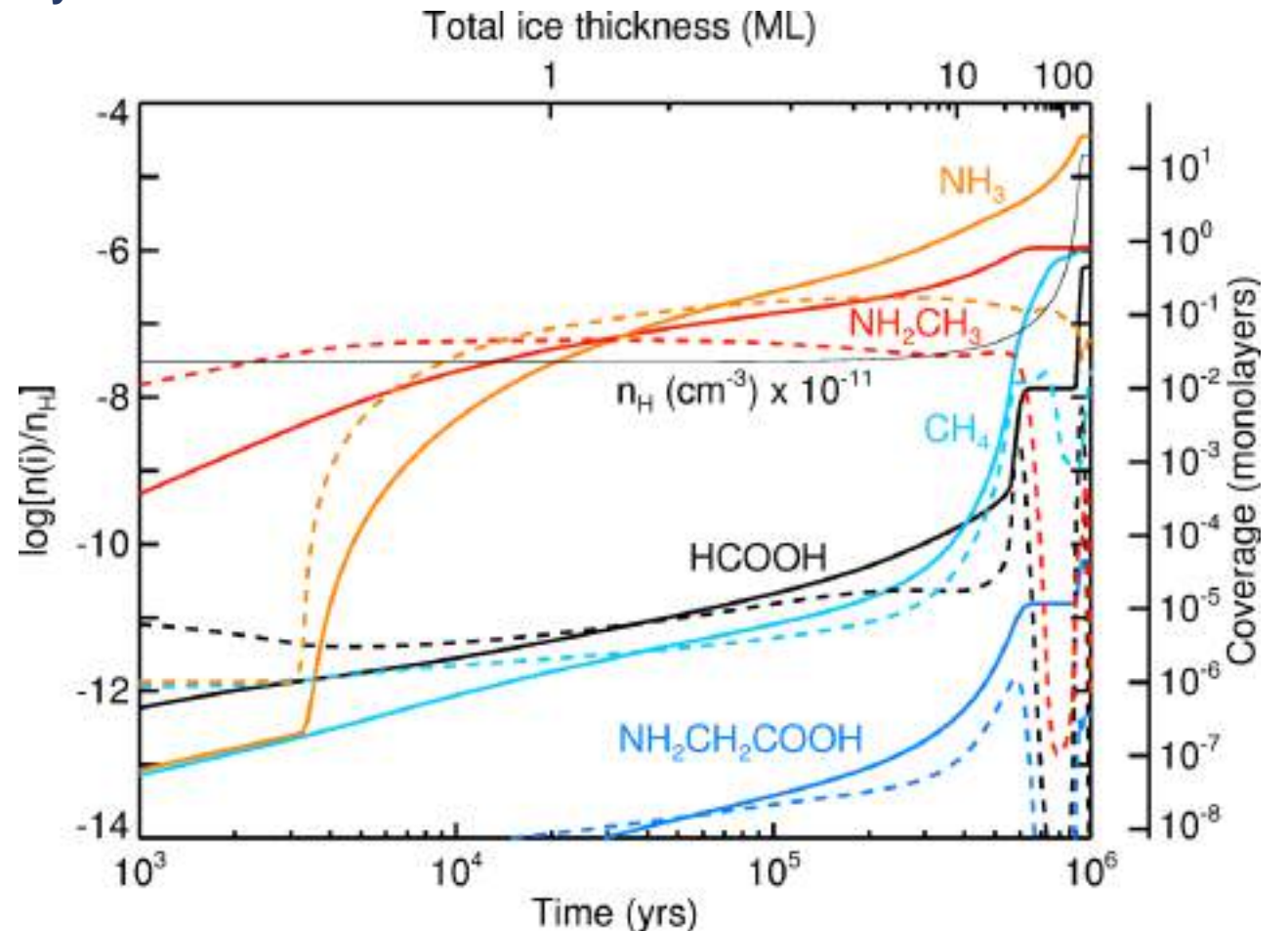
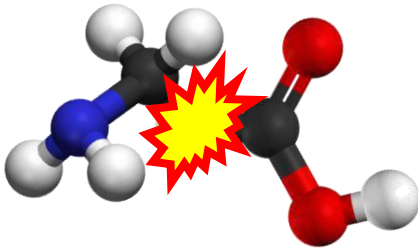
(see Garrod, 2013; Jin & Garrod, 2020)

Density_{gas} = 3×10^3 to 2×10^6 cm⁻³ in 9.3×10^5 yrs

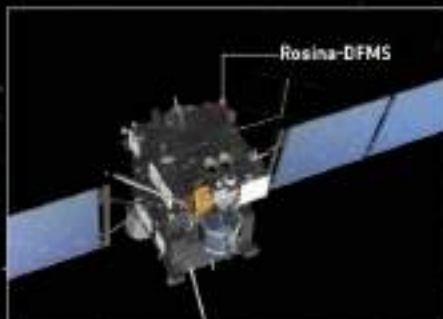
T_{dust} = 16 to 8 K

T_{gas} = 10 K

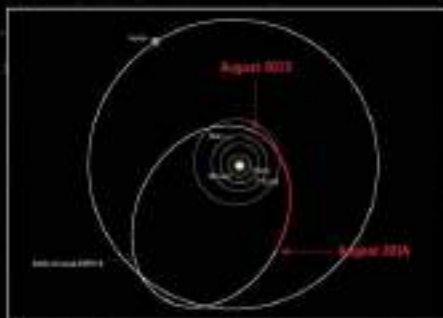
A_v = 2 to ~150 mag



→ ROSETTA'S COMET CONTAINS INGREDIENTS FOR LIFE



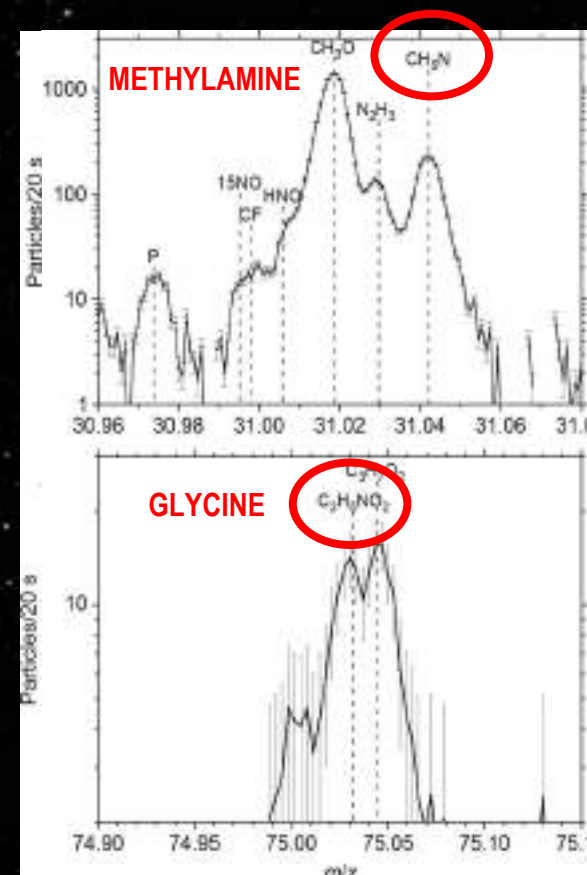
The measurements were made with the Rosetta Orbiter Spectrometer for Ion and Neutral Analysis Double-Focusing Mass Spectrometer (ROSINA-DFMS).



The data were collected between August 2014 and August 2015.



The measurements were made when Rosetta was between 10 and 300 km from the comet.



Beyond Experimental Limits:

Model vs Obs

Species	Bkg Stars	LYSOs	67P/CG	Model 1	Model 1	Model 2
			Summer hem.	low n_H	high n_H	prestellar
H ₂ O	100	100	100	100	100	100
CO	9-67	(< 3)-85	2.7	8.0	17.3	19.7
CO ₂	14-43	12-50	2.5	4.0	6.9	9.3
CH ₃ OH	(< 1)-12	(< 1)-25	0.31	4.0	2.4	35.9
NH ₃	< 7	3-10	0.06	8.6	5.6	21.3
CH ₄	< 3	1-11	0.13	3.6	3.0	0.65
HCOOH	< 2	(< 0.5)-4	0.008	0.44	0.69	0.35
NH ₂ CH ₃			0-0.16	2.9	1.8	0.65
NH ₂ CH ₂ COOH		<0.3 ^a	0-0.16	0.04	0.07	3.5×10 ⁻⁵

^aUpper limit for the massive young stellar object W33 A from Gibb *et al.*, (2004)

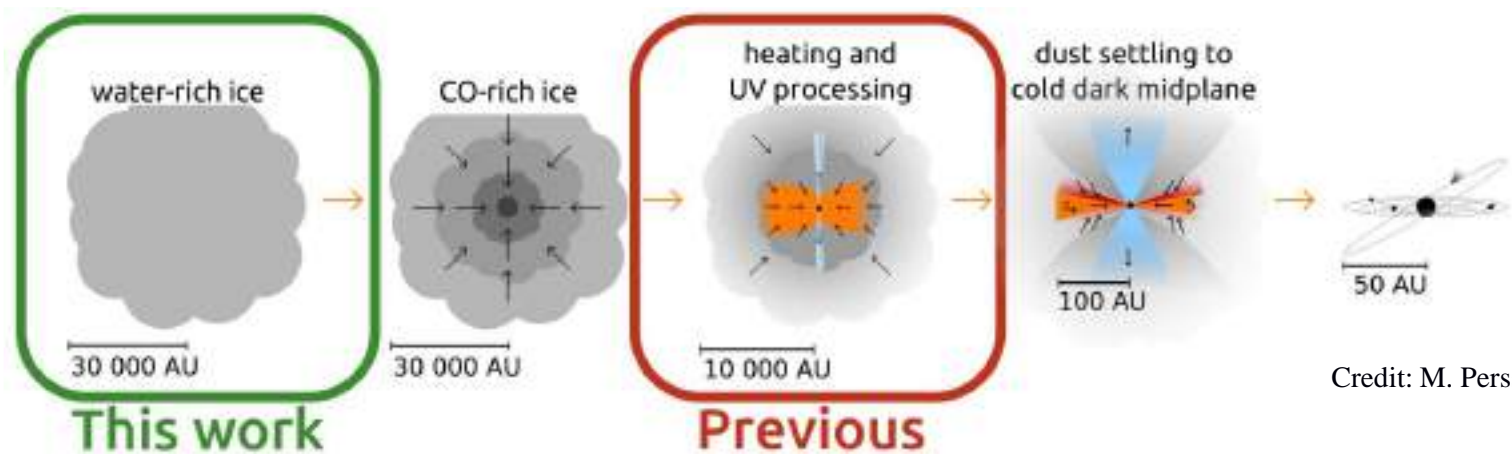
Bkg Stars and LYSOs from Boogert *et al.*, (2015)

67P/CG from Altwegg *et al.*, (2016) & Le Roy *et al.*, (2015)

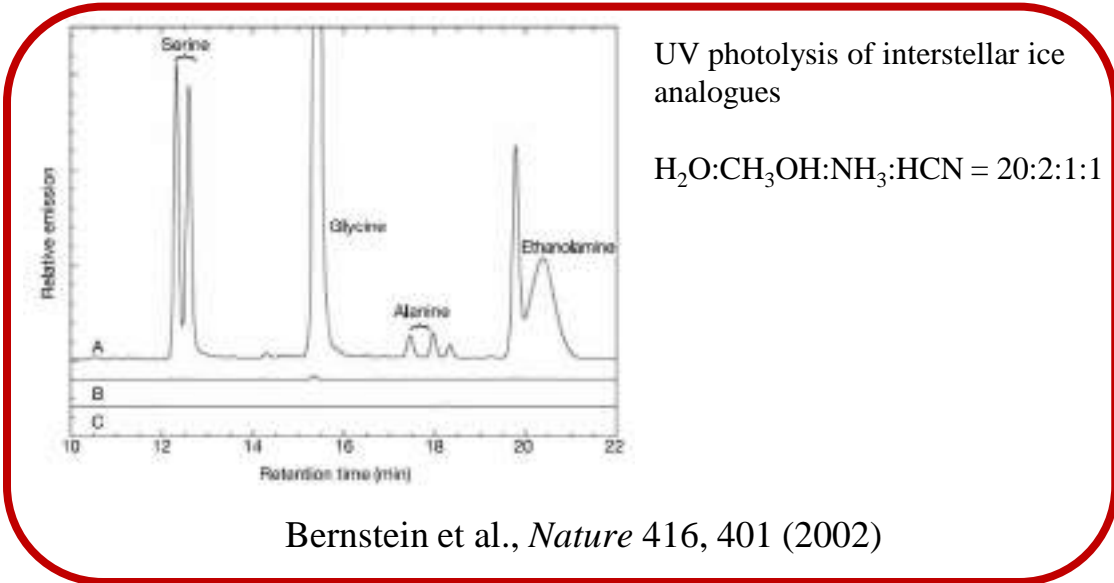
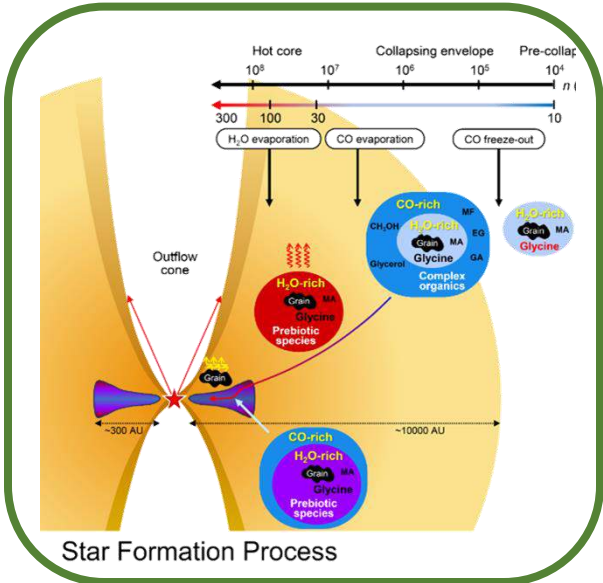
Glycine forms via Dark Chemistry

In Prestellar Cores

Ioppolo et al., Nat.Astron. (2020)

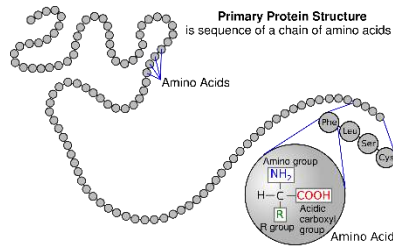


Credit: M. Persson



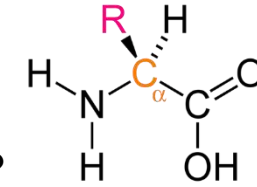
Bernstein et al., Nature 416, 401 (2002)

Amino acids formation via Dark Chemistry



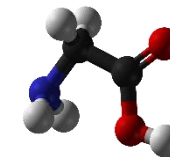
Oba *et al.*, CPL (2015) showed H-abstraction on R-group

Formation of proteinogenic α -amino acids?

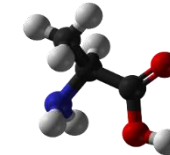


NON-POLAR					+ CHARGE	
 Glycine (Gly / G)	 Alanine (Ala / A)	 Valine (Val / V)	 Cysteine (Cys / C)	 Proline (Pro / P)	 Lysine (Lys / K)	 Arginine (Arg / R)
 Leucine (Leu / L)	 Isoleucine (Ile / I)	 Methionine (Met / M)	 Tryptophan (Trp / W)	 Phenylalanine (Phe / F)	 Histidine (His / H)	
POLAR					- CHARGE	
 Serine (Ser / S)	 Threonine (Thr / T)	 Tyrosine (Tyr / Y)	 Asparagine (Asn / N)	 Glutamine (Gln / Q)	 Aspartic Acid (Asp / D)	 Glutamic Acid (Glu / E)

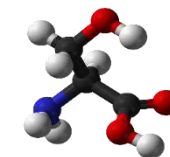
α -glycine



α -alanine



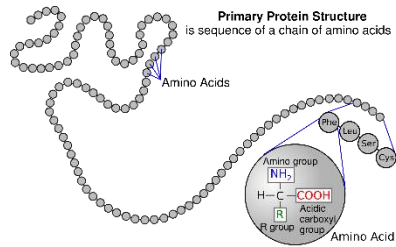
α -serine



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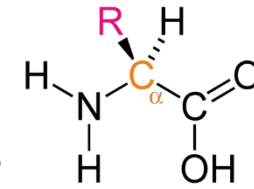
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Amino acids formation via Dark Chemistry

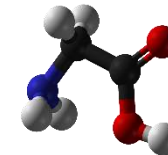


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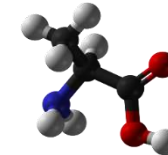
Formation of proteinogenic α -amino acids?



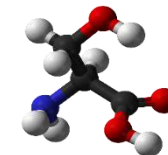
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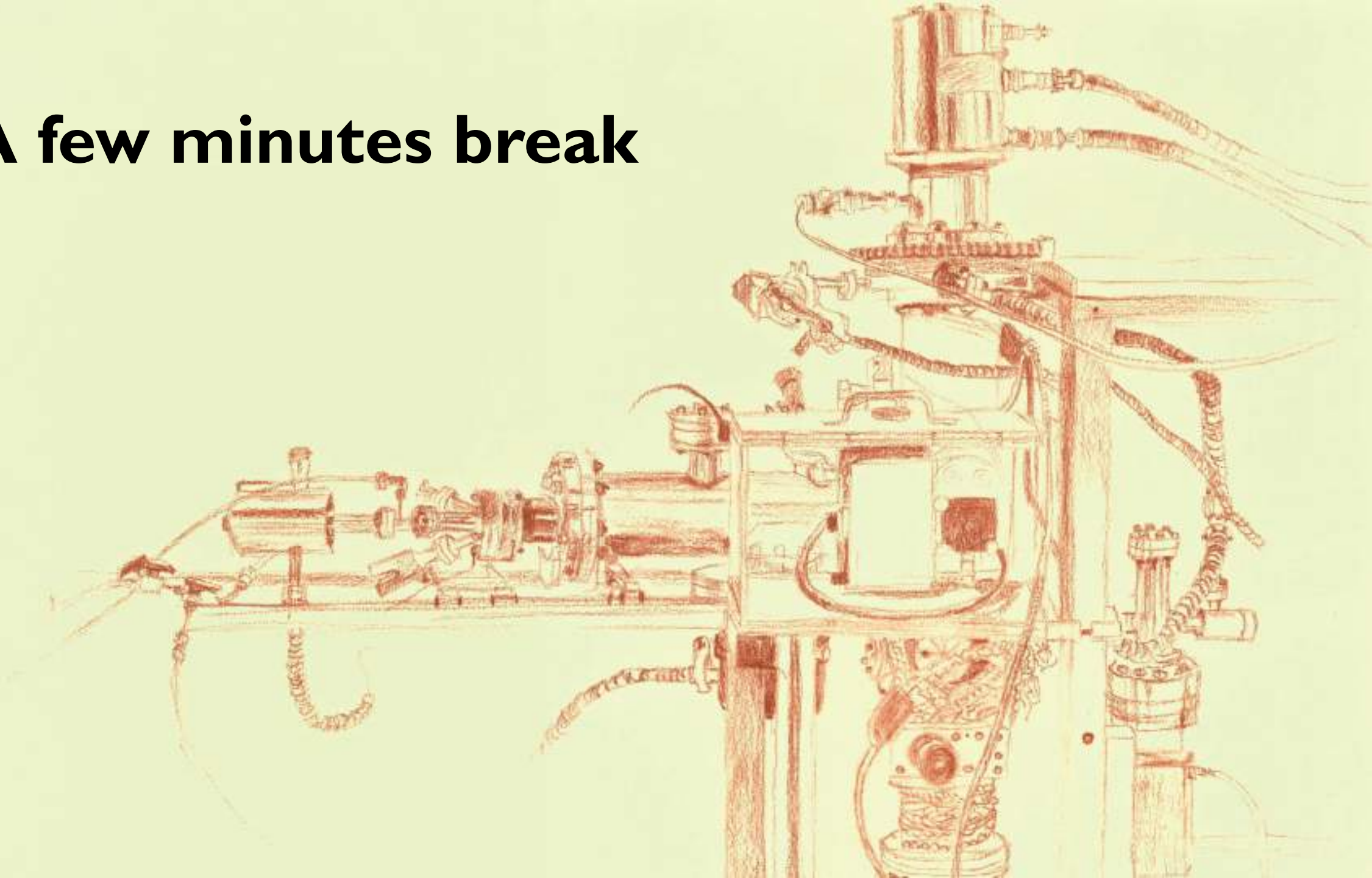


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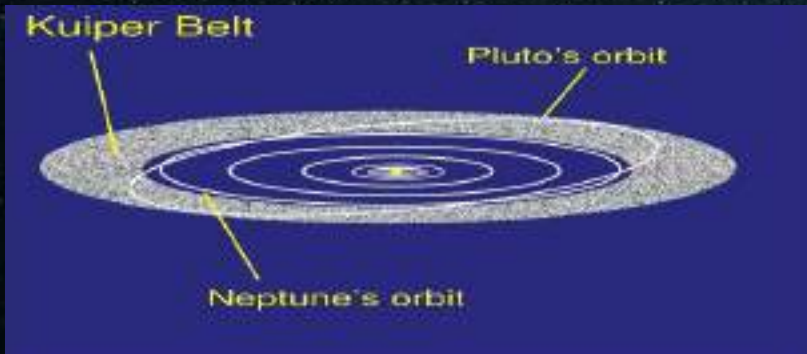
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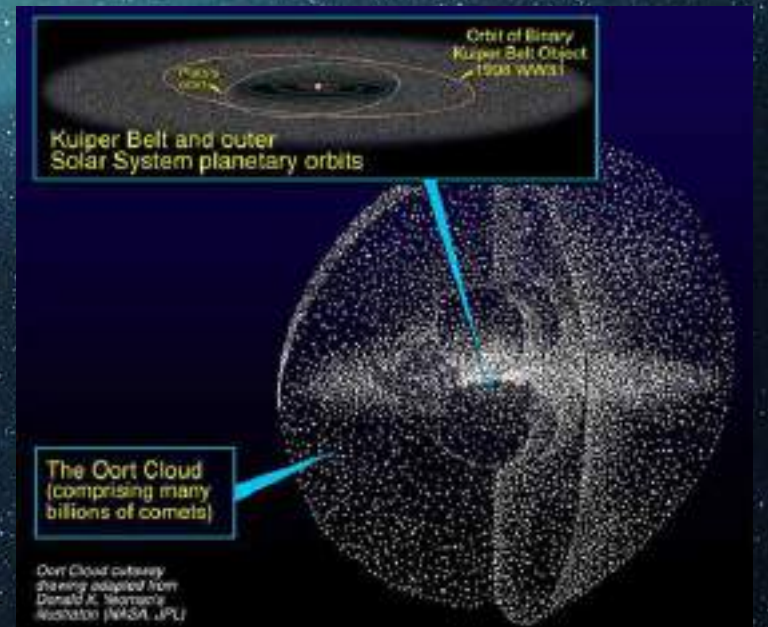


Comets



Kuiper belt
AU 30 - 100

Oort cloud
2,000 – 100,000 AU

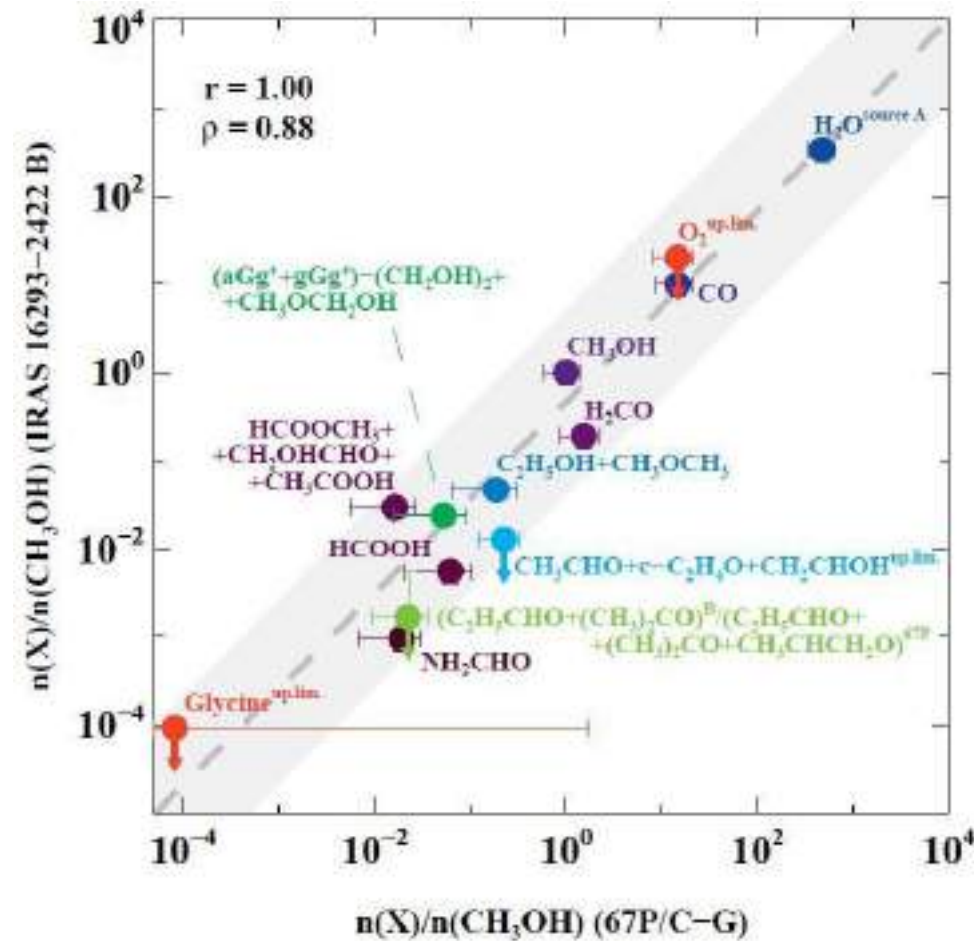


Cometary chemistry

- Comets are thought to have formed in the outer part of the disk which formed our Solar System
- **Comets contain the least-modified original interstellar material**
- Early optical observations probed mostly daughter molecules (CH, CN, C₂, CO⁺, OH, OH⁺, ...).
- IR and (sub)mm observations provide direct information on parent molecules, i.e., ***original composition of ices***
- Lots of data from comets Halley, Hyakutake, and Hale-Bopp

Comparison young disk - comet

O-bearing



Comet somewhat richer in COMs than young disk

Meteorites



Australia 1969, 100 kg

~92 amino acids
8 important for life

~20 different sugar groups
RNA base - Uracil

- Most of the material formed at the same time as the Solar System.
- However, there are small inclusions that have isotopic anomalies indicating a presolar and interstellar origin.
- These include SiC grains, graphite grains, diamonds, and larger organic carbon-based molecules (Kerogens – soot).

Delivery of extraterrestrial material to Earth

- **Solar System: ~4.6 Gyr**

The period of heavy cratering or heavy bombardment ended ~4 Gyr ago

- **Today:**

Total influx: ~3,000 - 50,000 tonnes/year

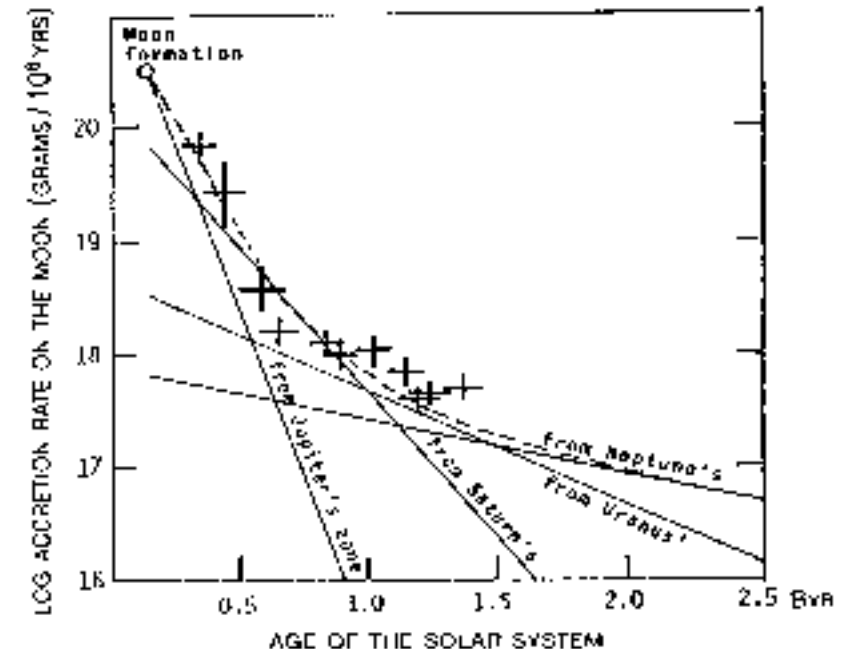
Influx of coal-based material: ~300 tonnes/year

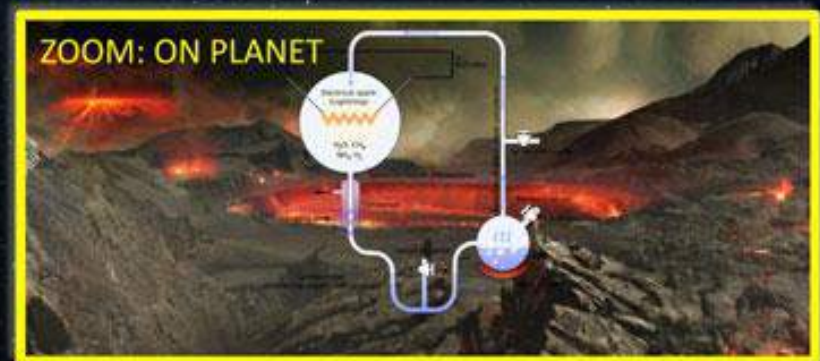
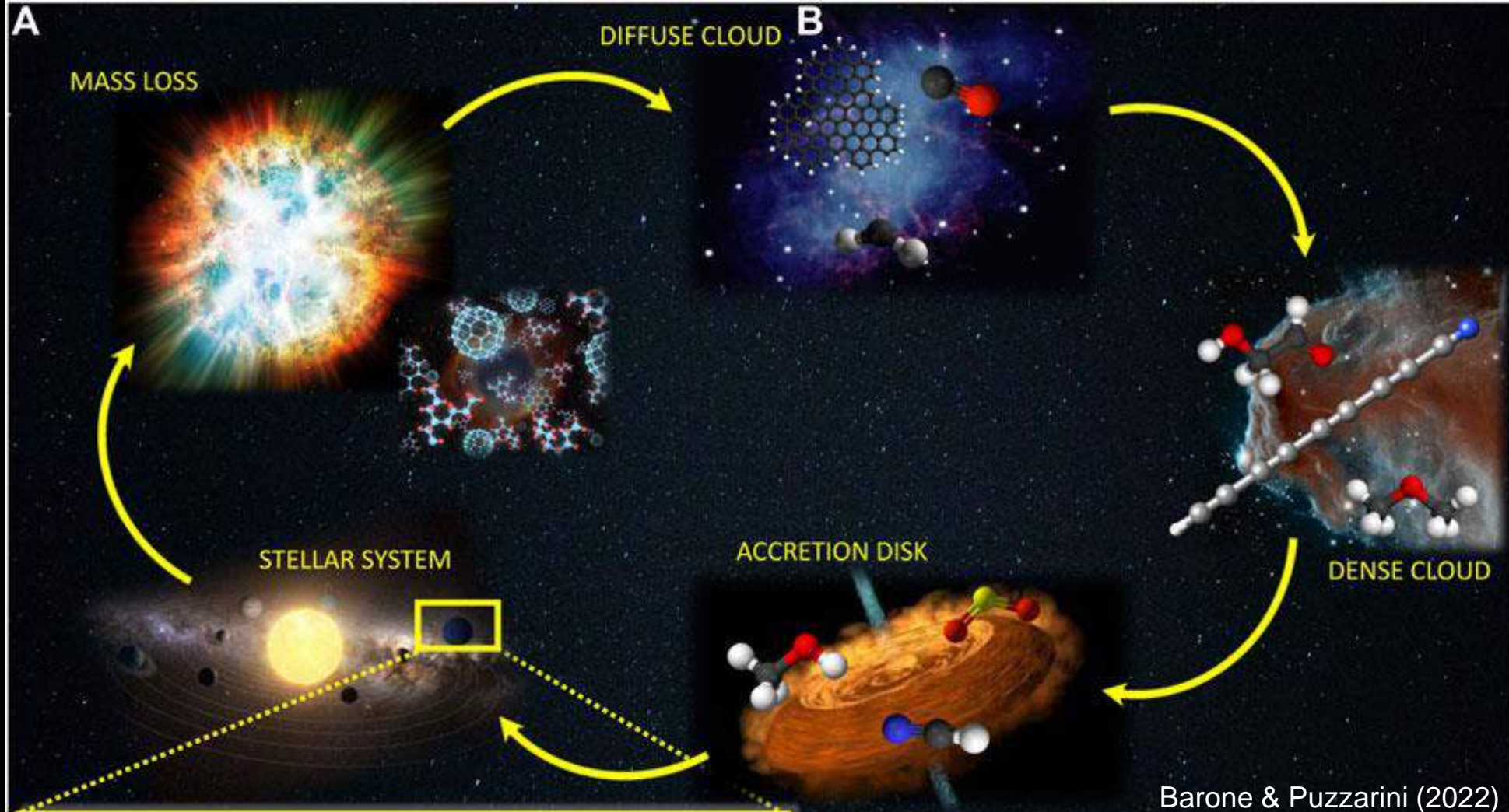
- **During the "period of heavy bombardment":**

Total influx: ~500,000 tonnes/year

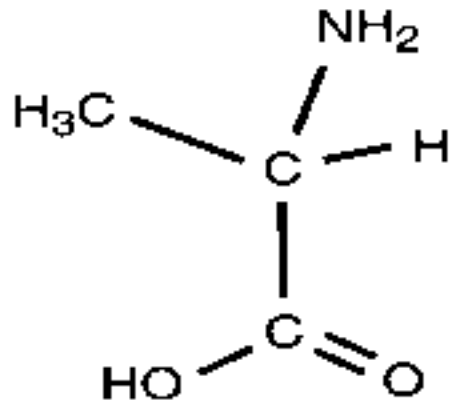
Influx of coal-based material: ~50,000 tonnes/year

- ~50% of water on Earth may be from comets

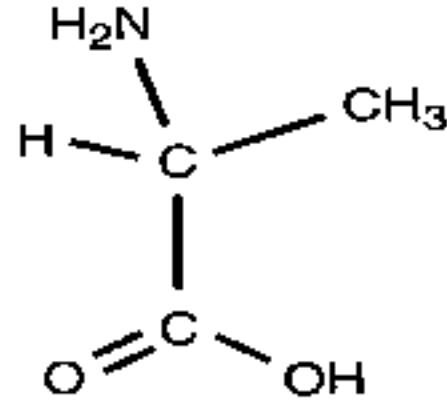




Chirality



L-alanine



D-alanine

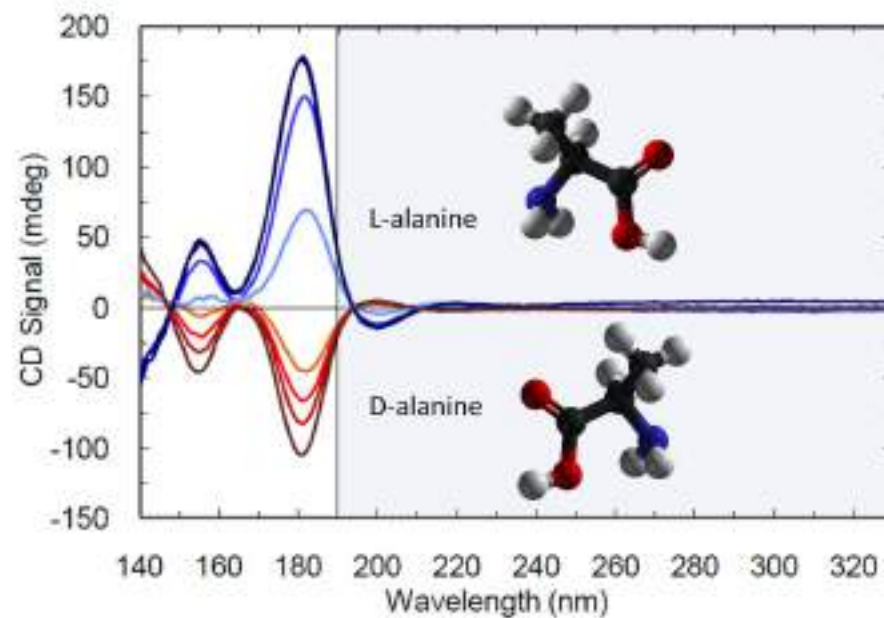
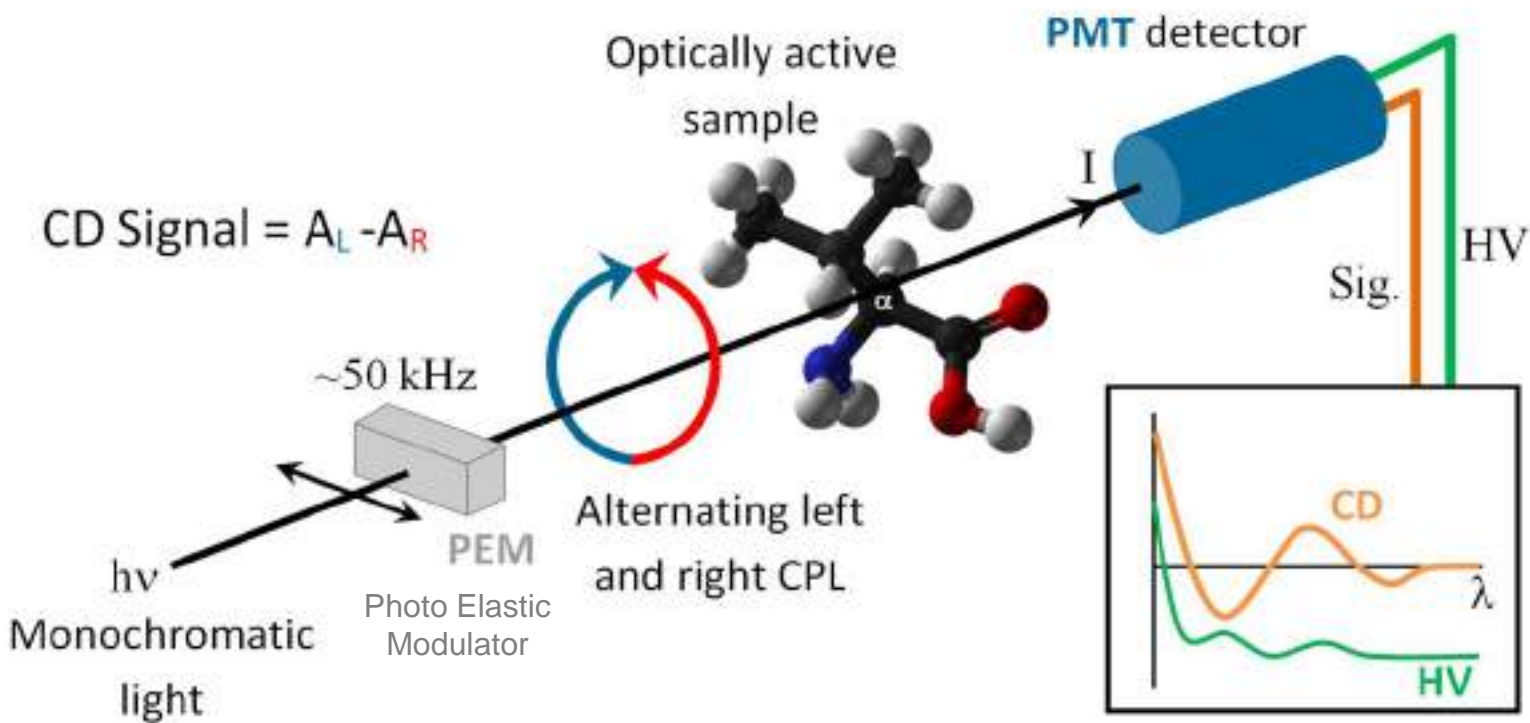
- Life on Earth is based on **left-handed** amino acids and **right-handed** sugar groups in RNA and DNA
- Enantiomeric specificity: a prerequisite for or a result of life?



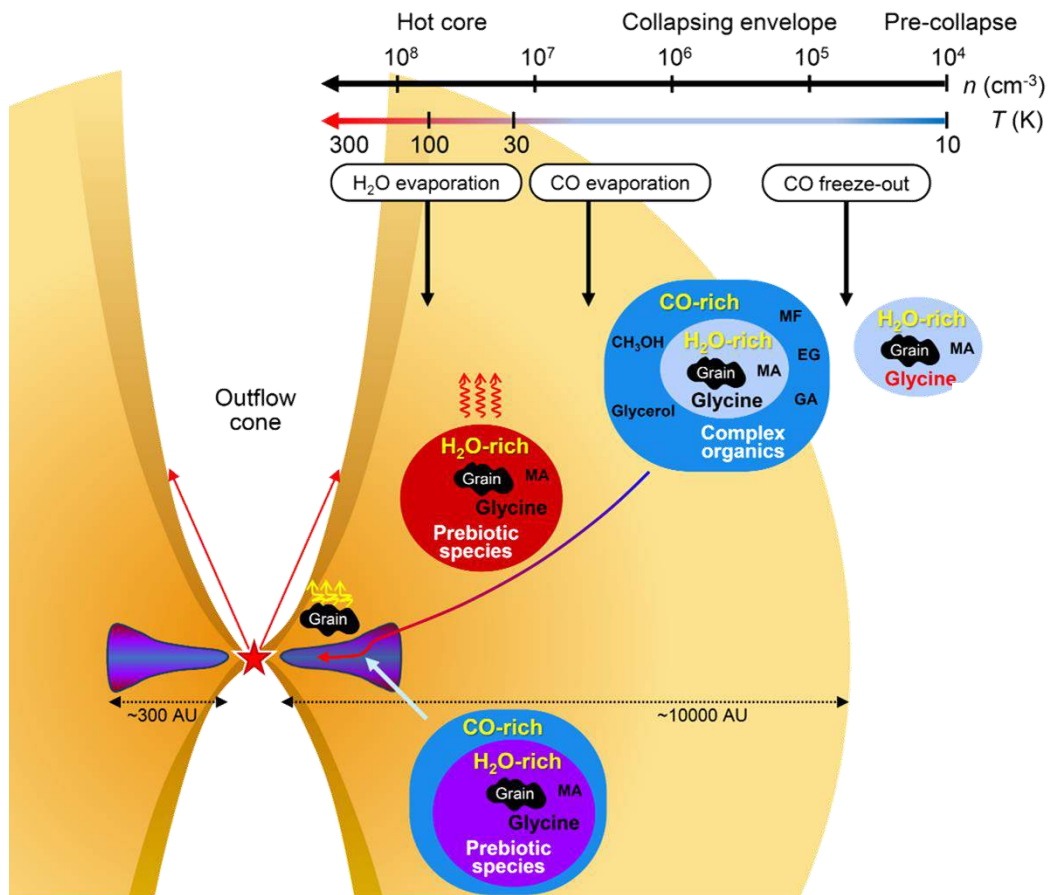
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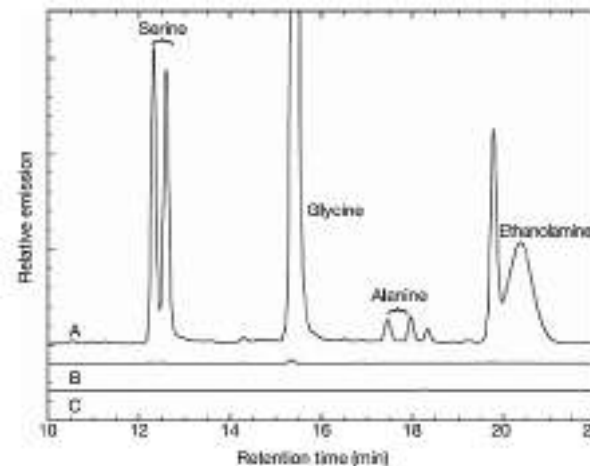
Circular Dichroism (CD) spectroscopy



Ice Chemistry in Star Forming Regions



- Dark Chemistry can explain formation of Simple and Complex molecules in the early stages of Star Formation
- Energetic Processing still important in the ISM



Racemic amino acids from the ultraviolet photolysis of interstellar ice analogues

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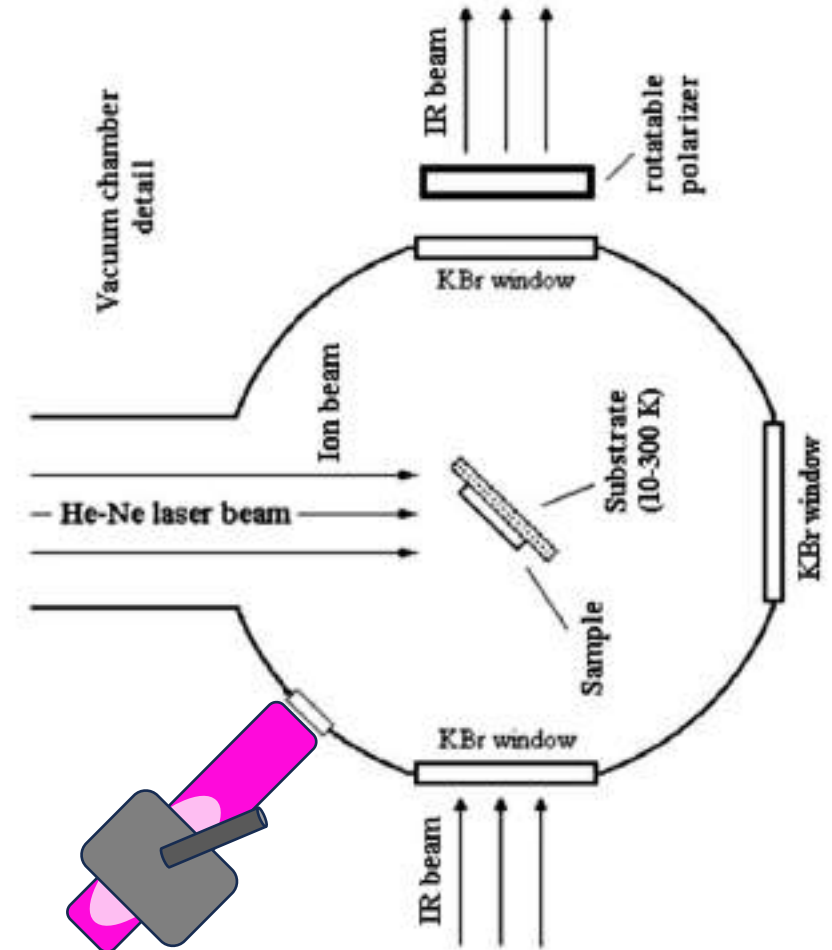
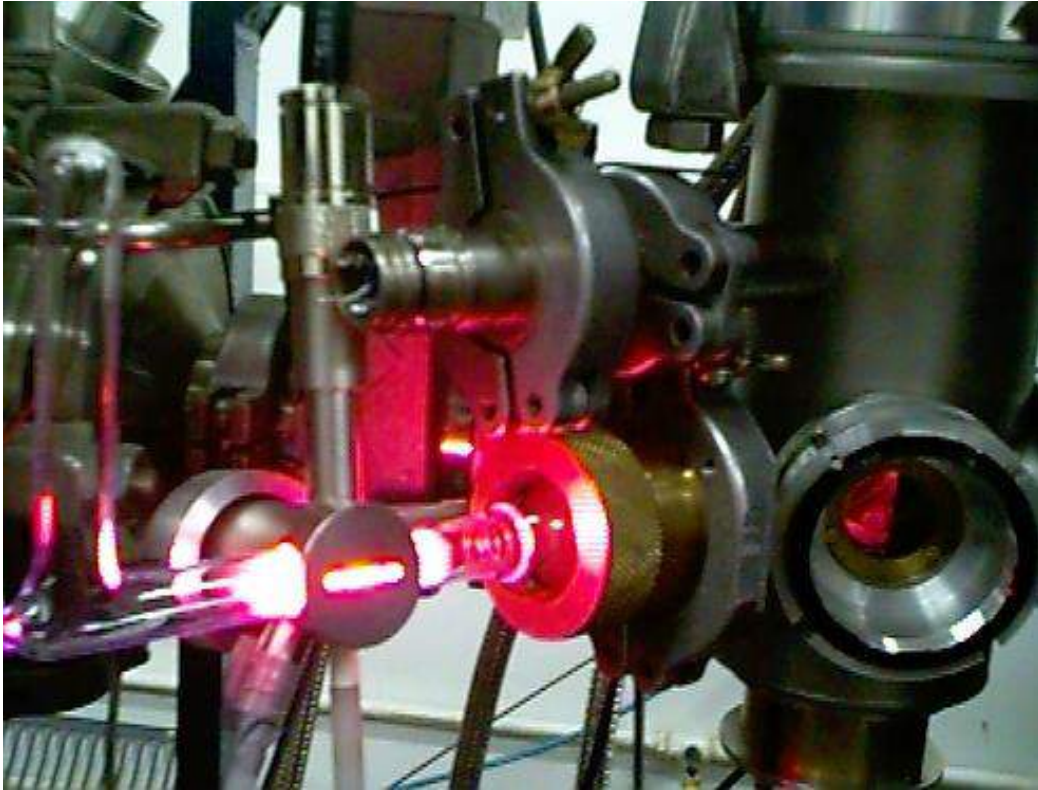
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UV photolysis of interstellar ice analogues:

H₂O:CH₃OH:NH₃:HCN = 20:2:1:1

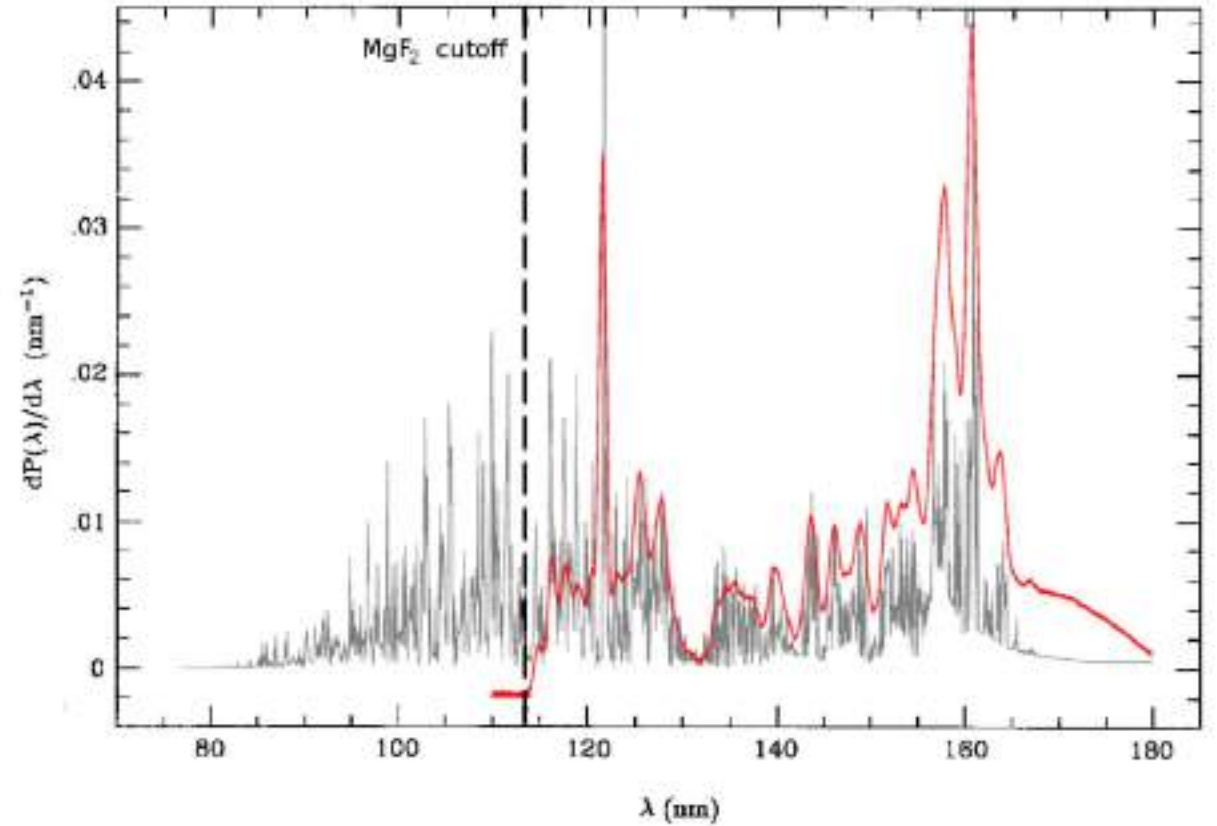
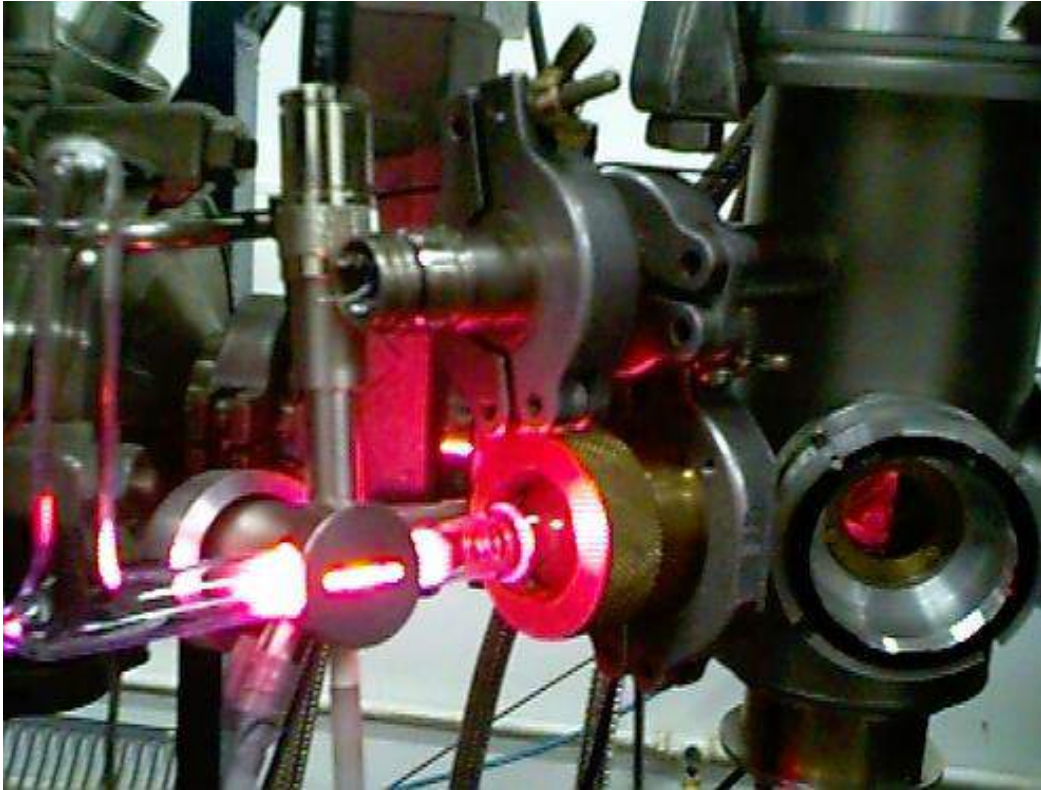
Star Formation Process

UV Photolysis Studies



UV Lamp

UV Photolysis Studies



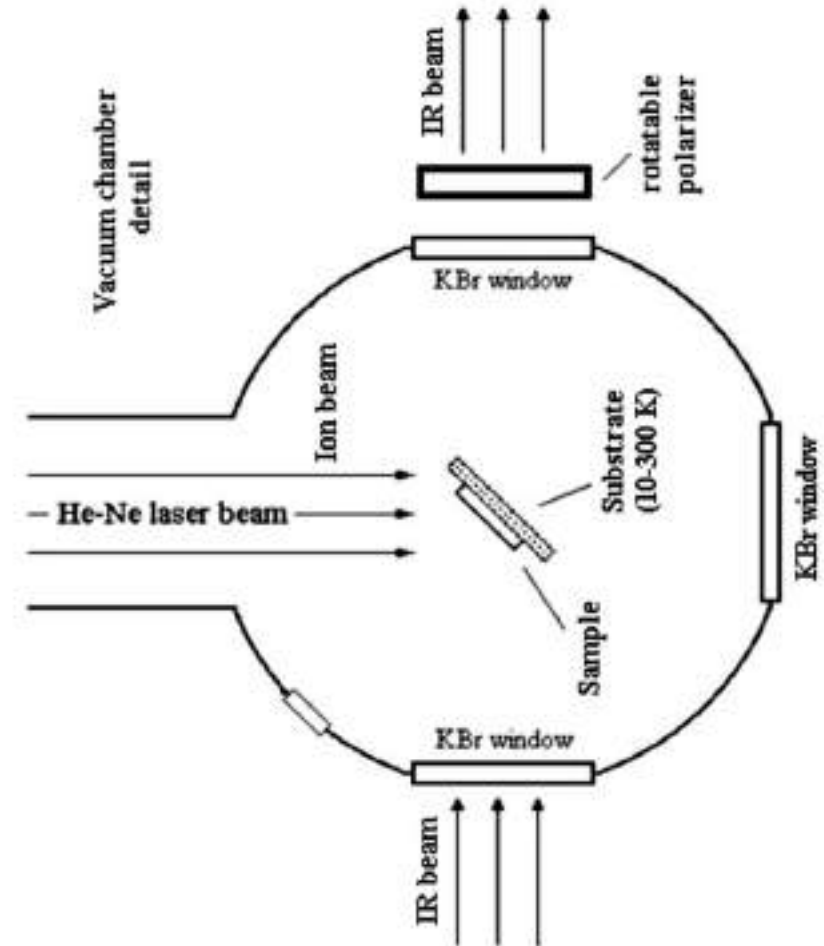
Cruz-Diaz *et al.*, A&A (2014)

Cosmic Rays Processing Studies

LASP INAF-Catania



- Ultra High Vacuum (UHV) chamber ($P < 10^{-9}$ mbar)
- Cryostat (15-300 K)
- Ion implanter (Danfysik-200 kV)
- UV lamp (Lyman-alpha)
- IR, UV-Vis-NIR, and Raman spectrometers



HUN-REN ATOMKI



CRs and electron irradiation of ice material relevant to ISM & Solar System



ICA

$P < 1 \times 10^{-9}$ mbar

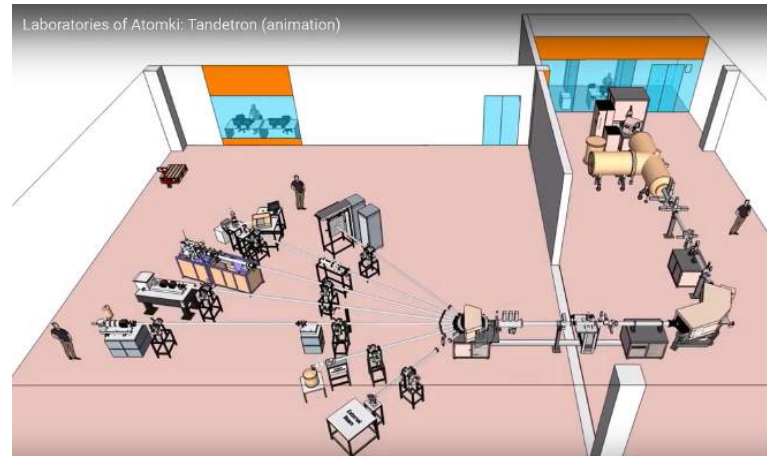
$T_{\text{surf}} = 20 - 300$ K

$E_{\text{ions}} = 200 \text{ keV} - 4 \text{ MeV } \text{H}^+$

$\text{H}^+, \text{He}^+, \text{He}^{++}, \text{C}^+, \text{C}^{++}, \text{O}^+, \text{O}^{++}, \text{S}^+, \text{S}^{++}$

Current = nA - μ A

- 2 keV electron gun
- Effusive Cell



AQUILA

$P < 1 \times 10^{-9}$ mbar

$T_{\text{surf}} = 20 - 300$ K

$E_{\text{ions}} = 100\text{s eV} - 10\text{s keV}$

Solar Wind: H, He, C, O, Si, Fe, Ni ions

High charge state of ions

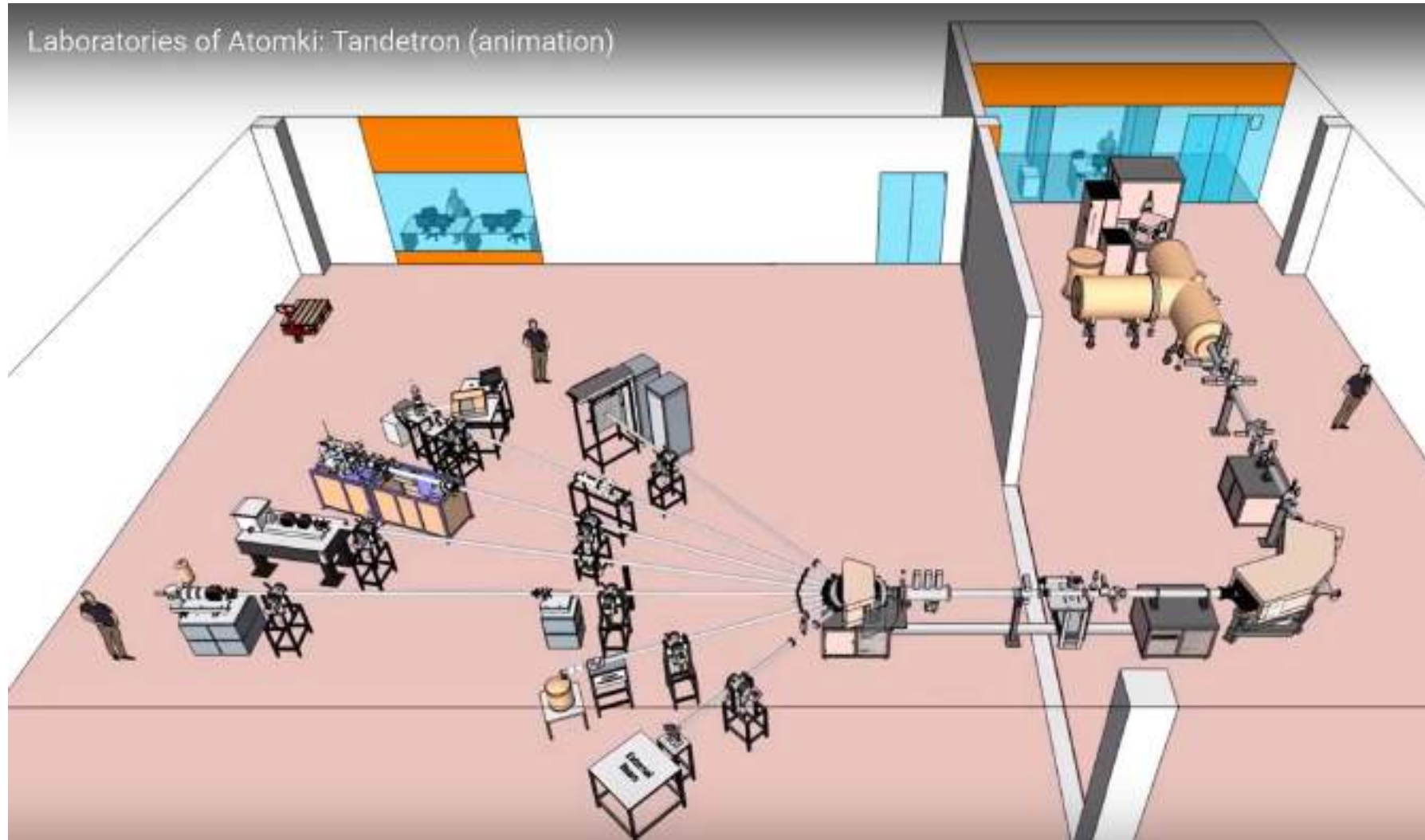
Positive/negative ions or molecular ions

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ECR Ion Source (ECRIS)



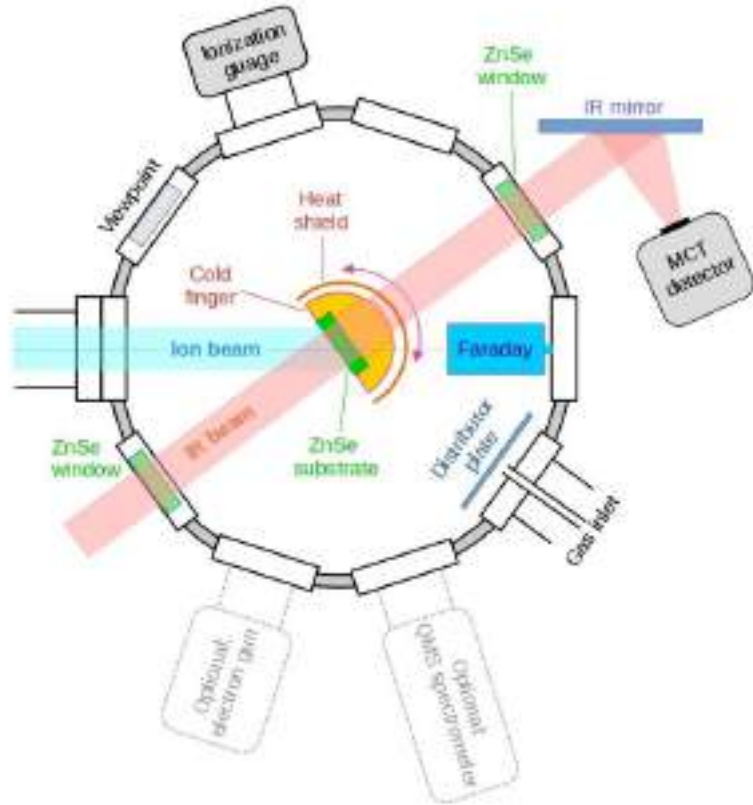
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Systematic investigation of CR-induced chemistry and sputtering in space relevant ices



$P < 1 \times 10^{-9}$ mbar

$T_{\text{surf}} = 20 - 300$ K

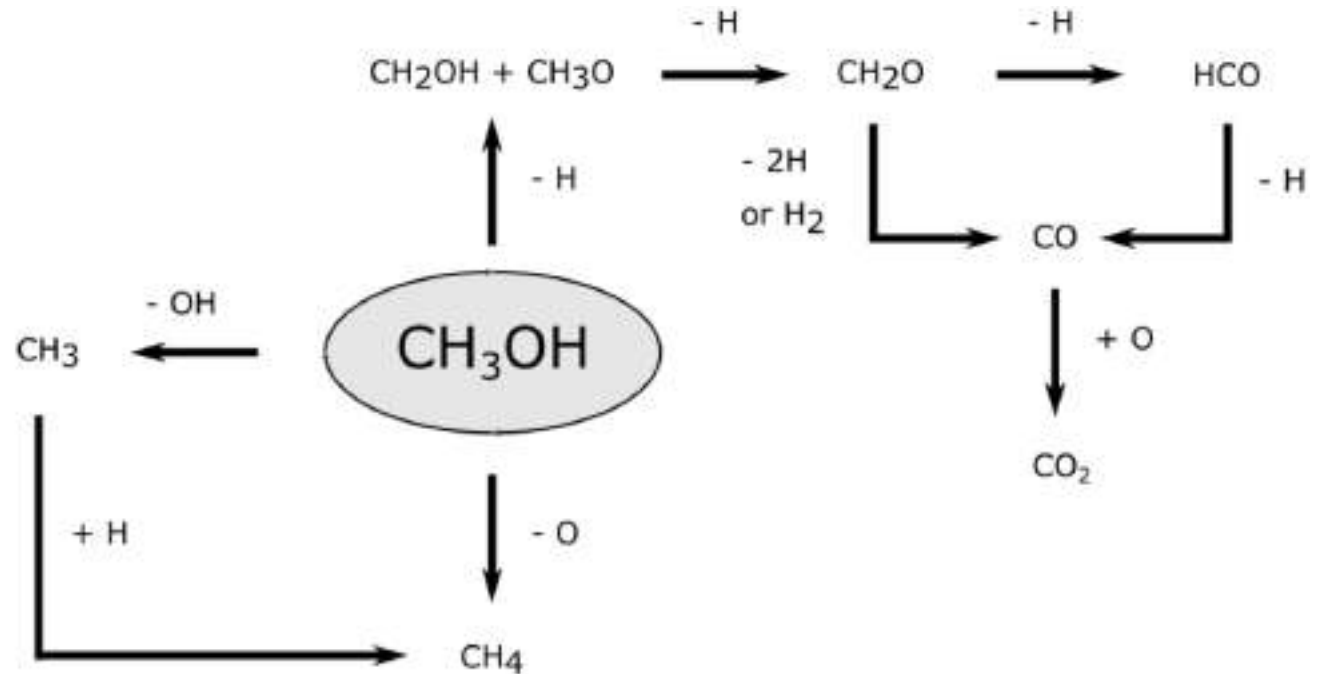
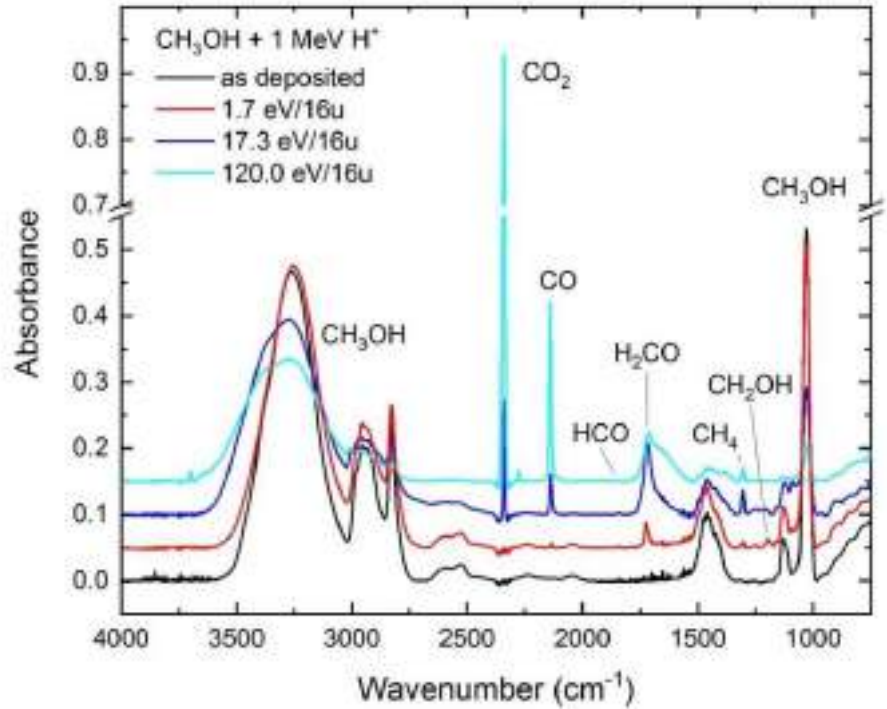
$E_{\text{ions}} = 200 \text{ keV} - 4 \text{ MeV H}^+$

$\text{H}^+, \text{He}^+, \text{He}^{++}, \text{C}^+, \text{C}^{++}, \text{O}^+, \text{O}^{++}, \text{S}^+, \text{S}^{++}$

Current = nA - μ A

- 2 keV electron gun
- Effusive Cell

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Methanol (CH₃OH) ice

Temperature: 20 K

Deposition: Background

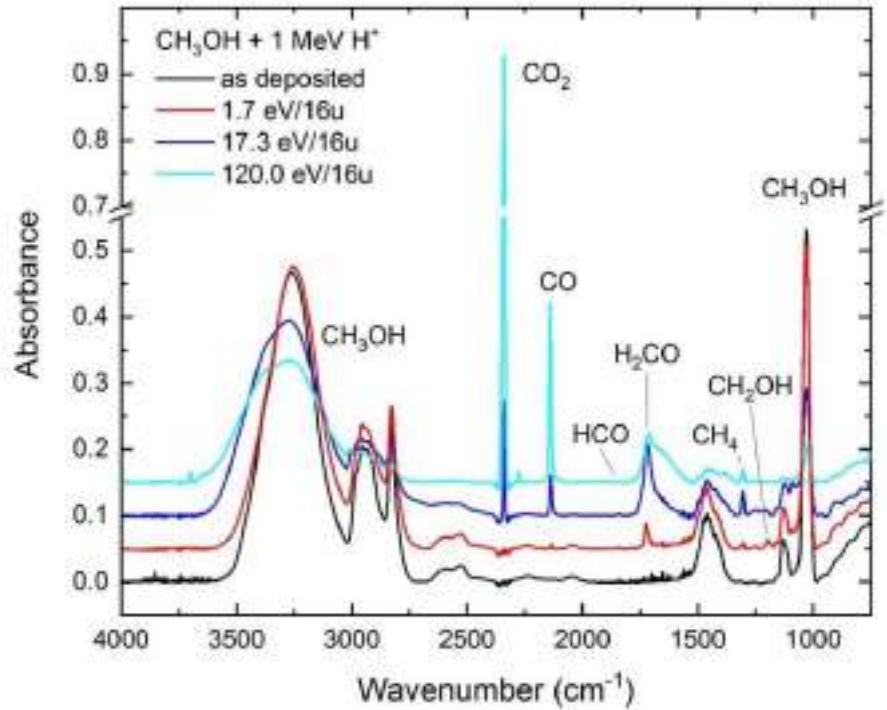
Ice thickness: ~ 0.5 μm

Projectile: H⁺, S⁺⁺

H⁺ Energy: 0.2 - 1 MeV

S⁺⁺ Energy: 6 MeV

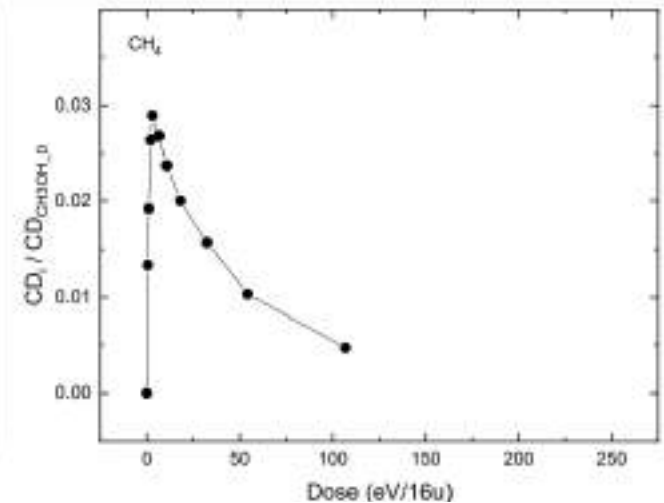
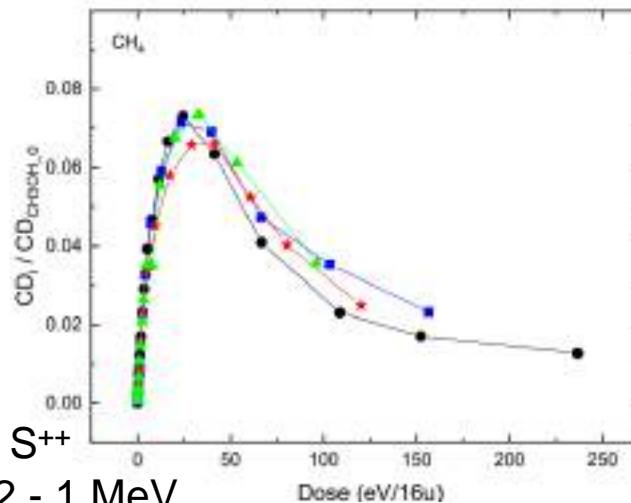
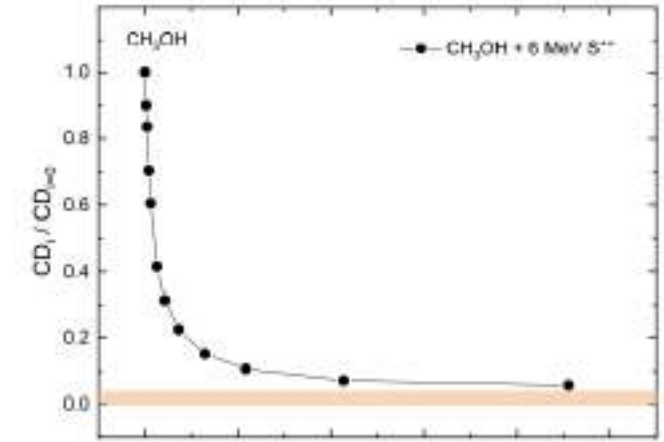
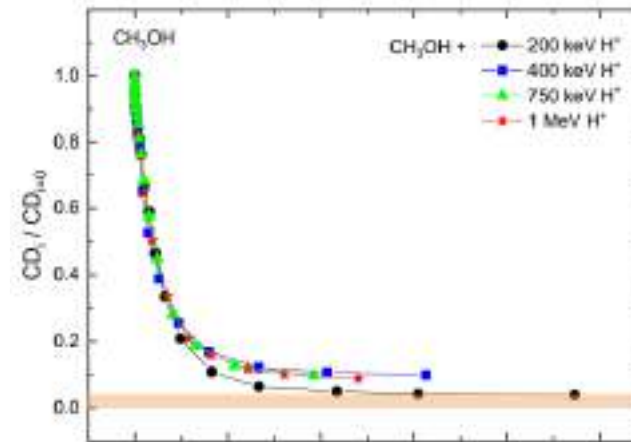
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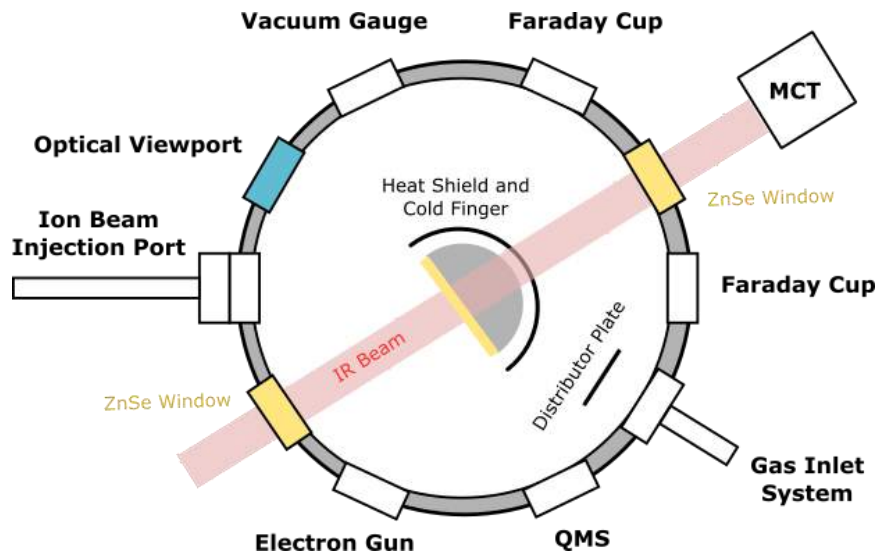
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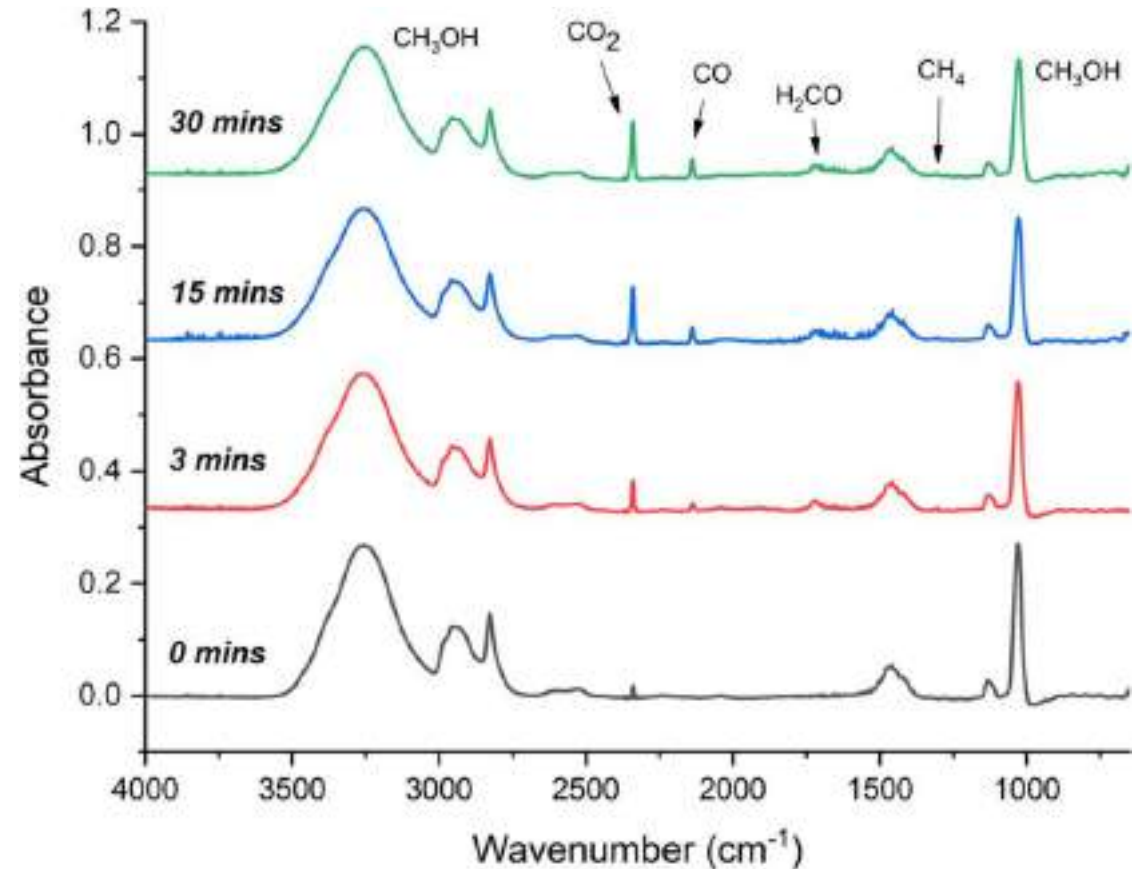
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Ice thickness: ~ 1 μm

Projectile: e⁻

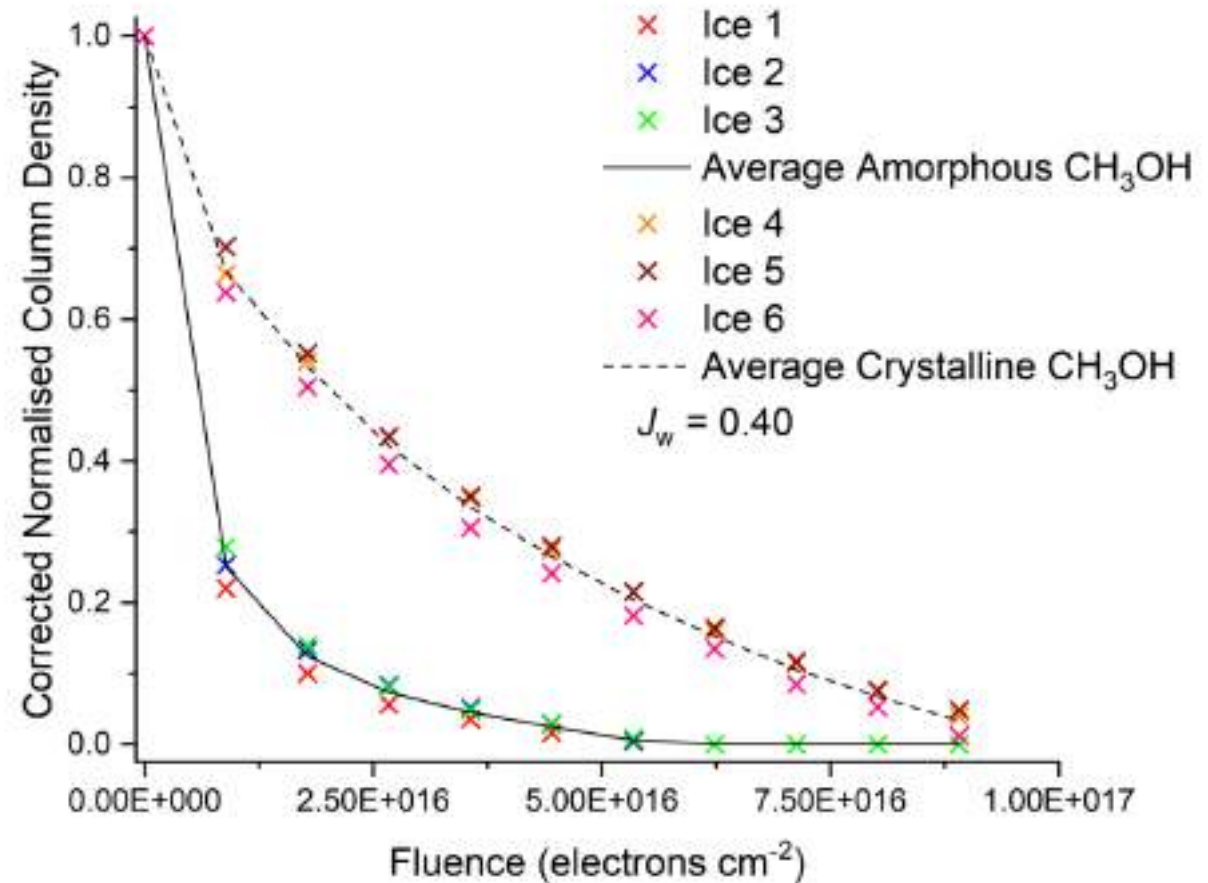
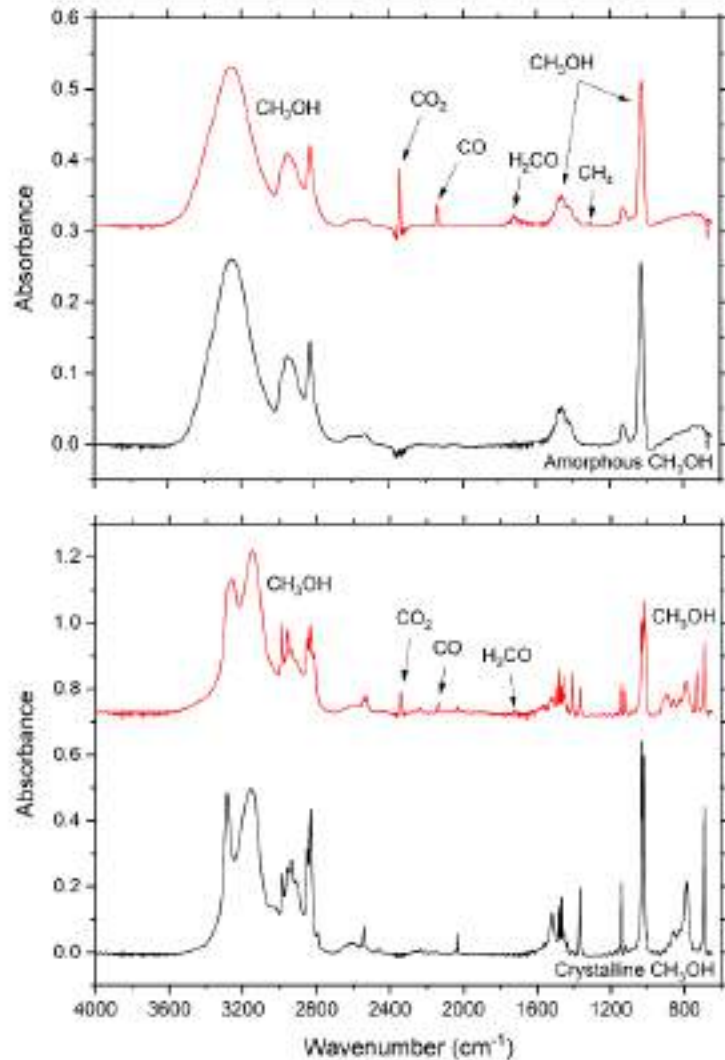
Energy: 2 keV

$\Phi = 4.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ e}^- \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

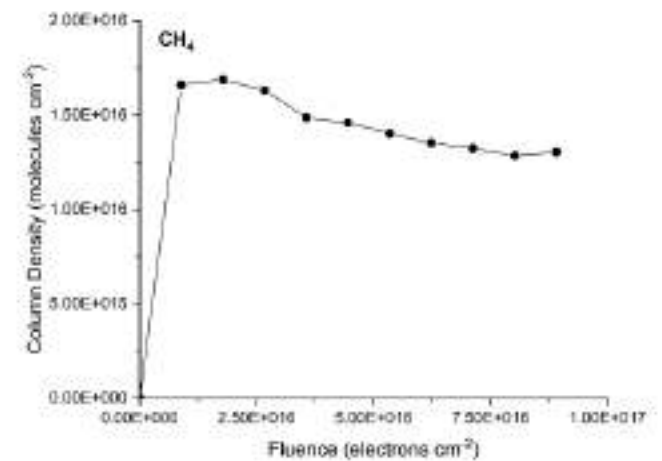
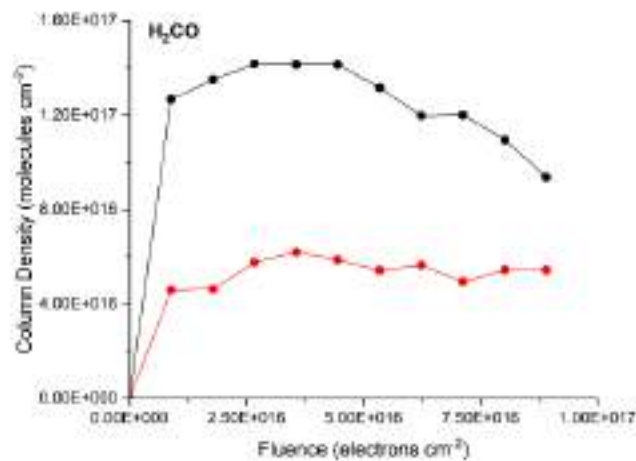
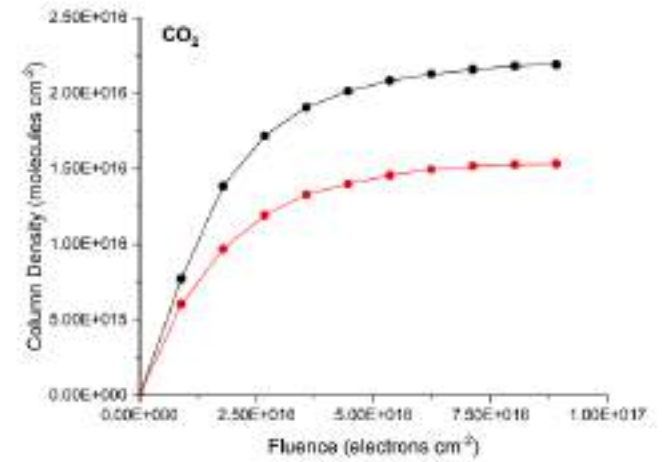
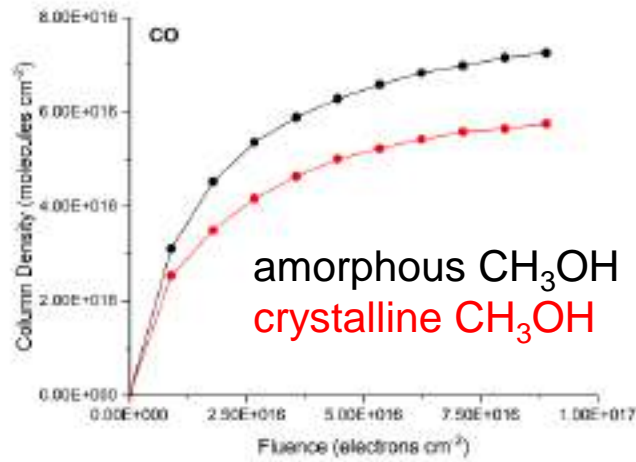
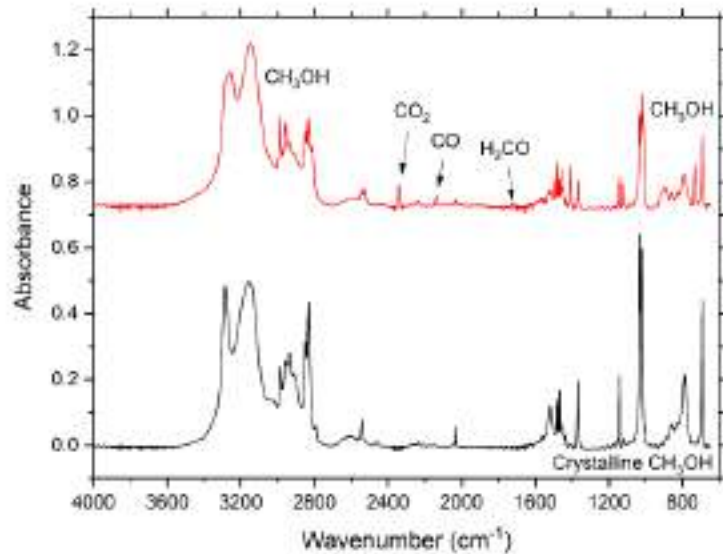
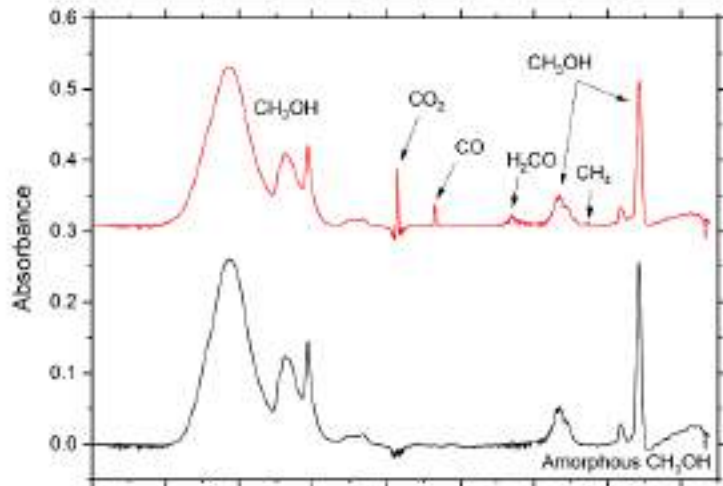


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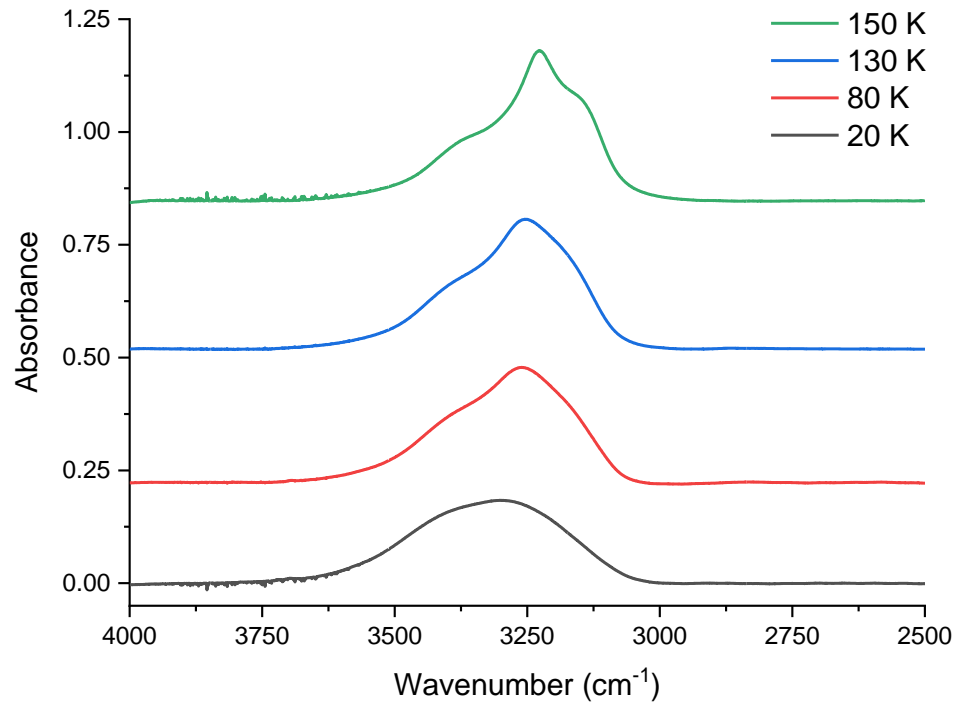
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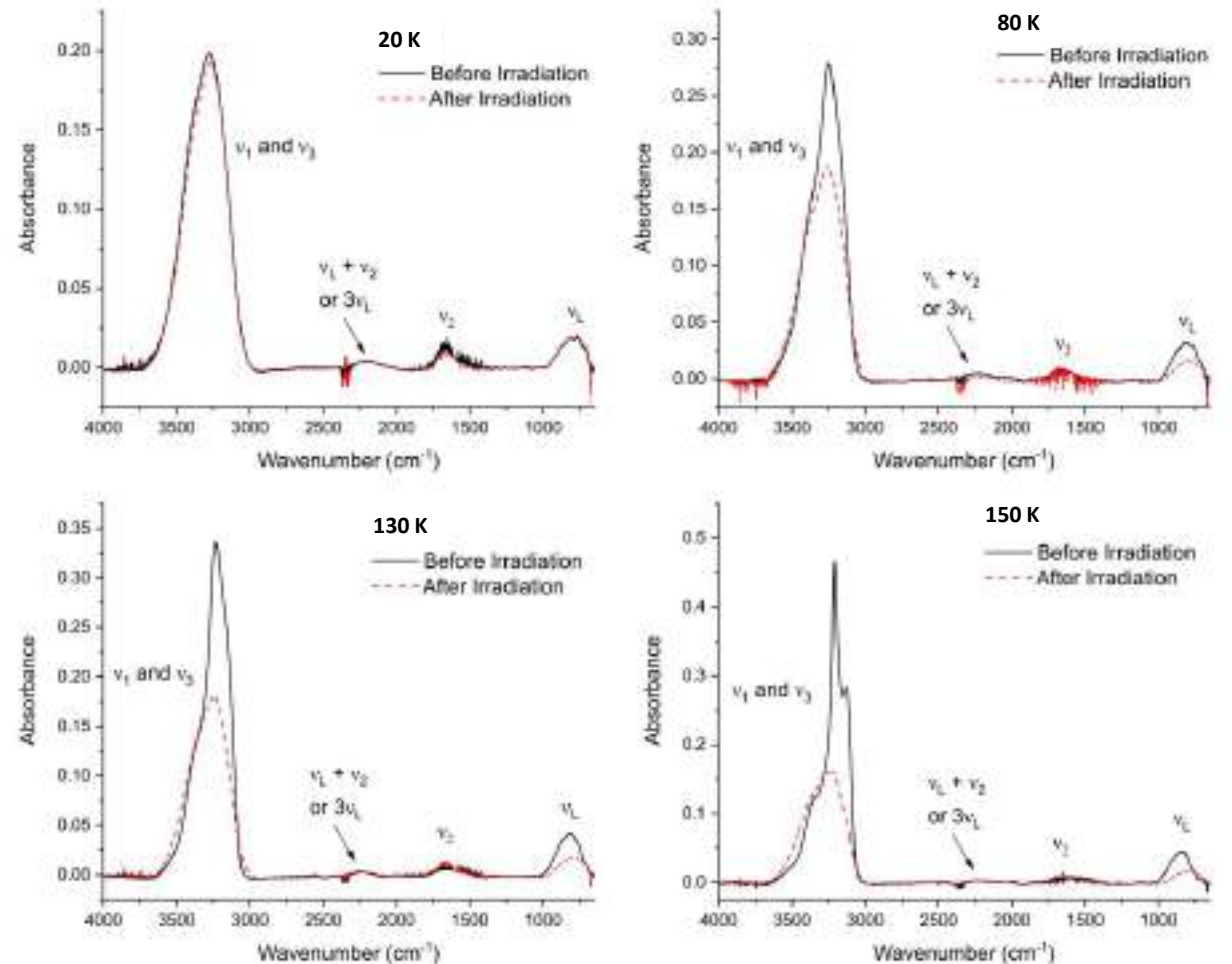
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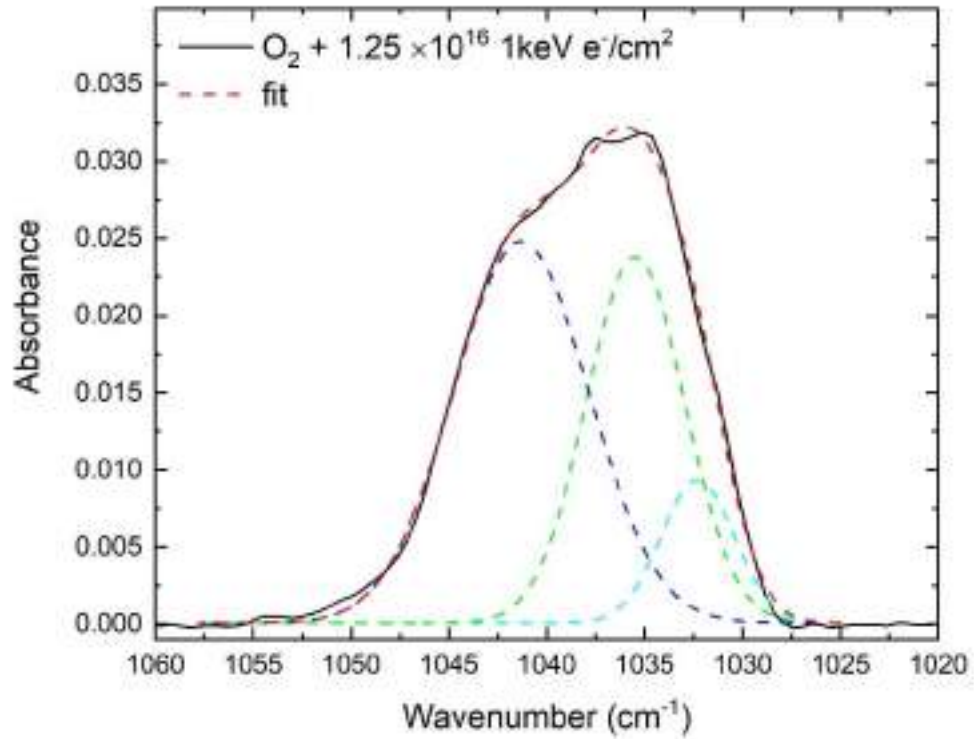
Water (H₂O) ice

Temperature: 20 - 150 K
 Deposition: Background
 Ice thickness: ~ 0.2 μm

Projectile: e⁻
 Energy: 2 keV
 $\Phi = 4.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ e}^- \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



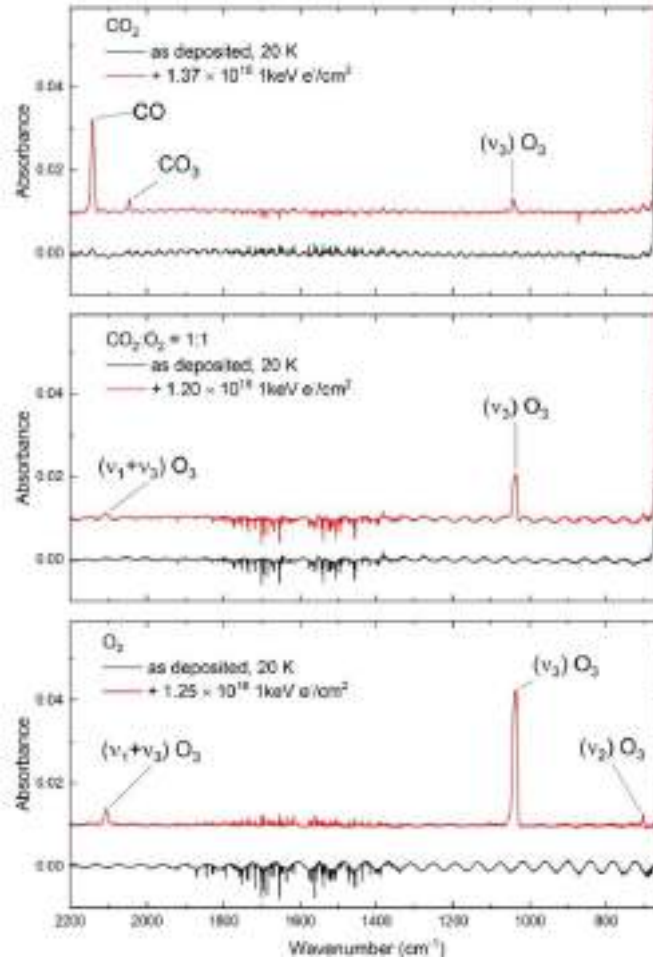
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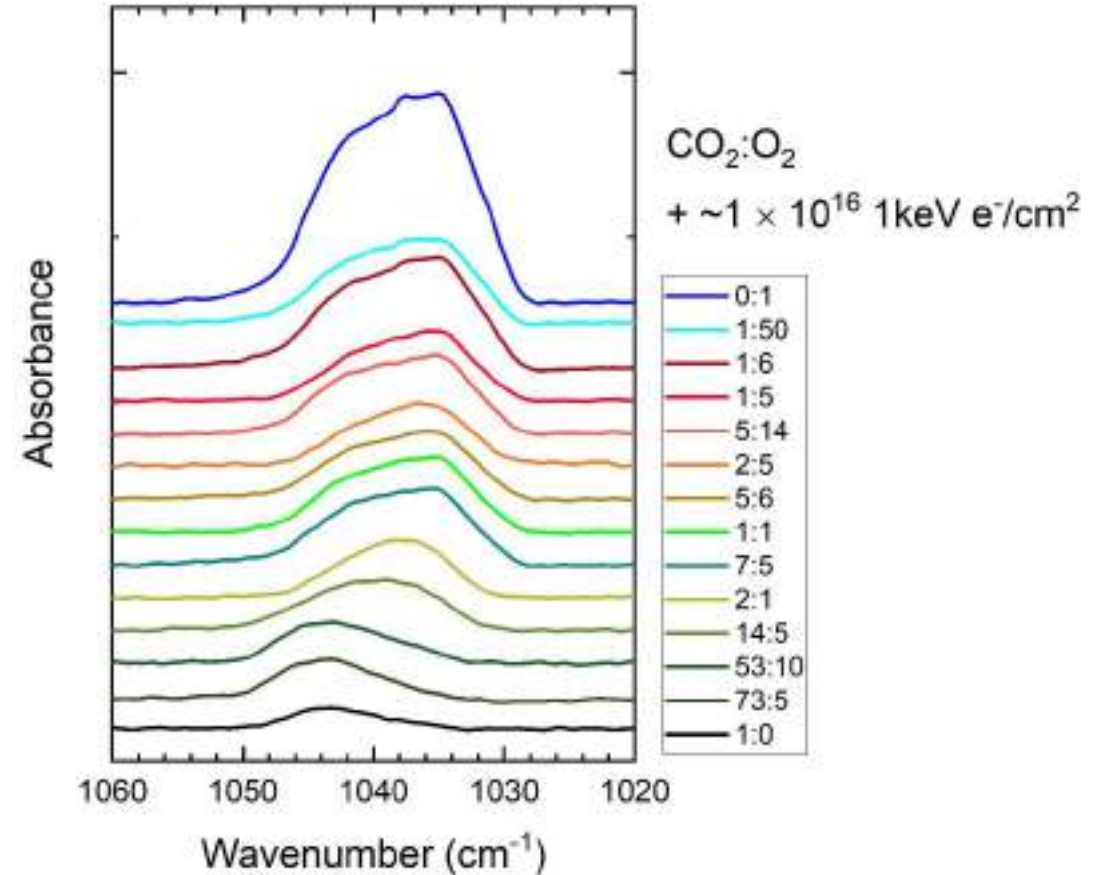
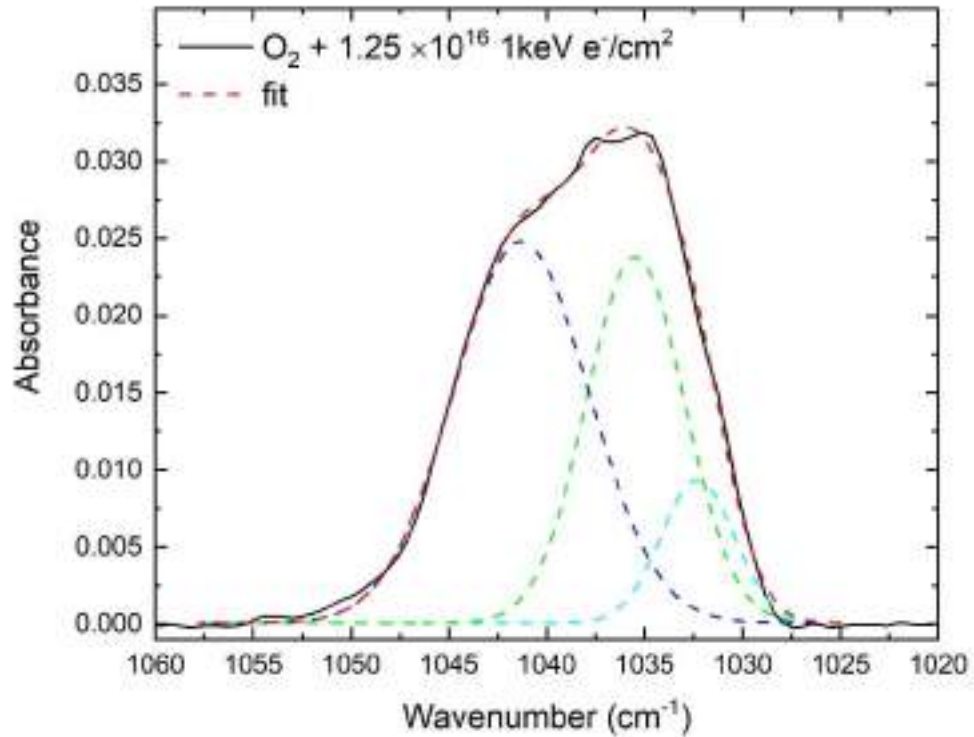
Mixtures containing CO₂:O₂ ice

Temperature: 20 K
 Deposition: Background
 Ice thickness: ~ 0.5 μm

Projectile: e⁻
 Energy: 1 keV
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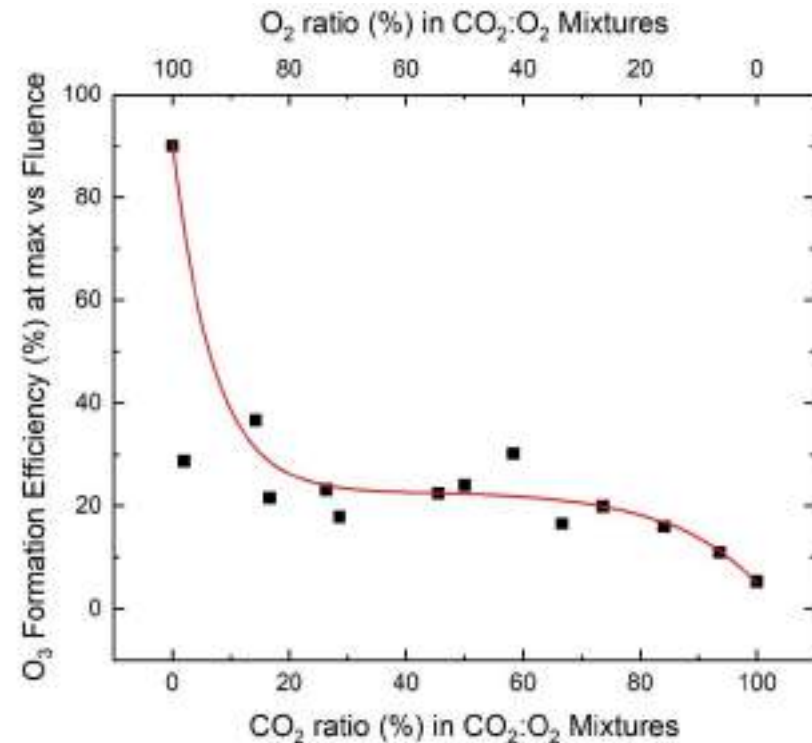
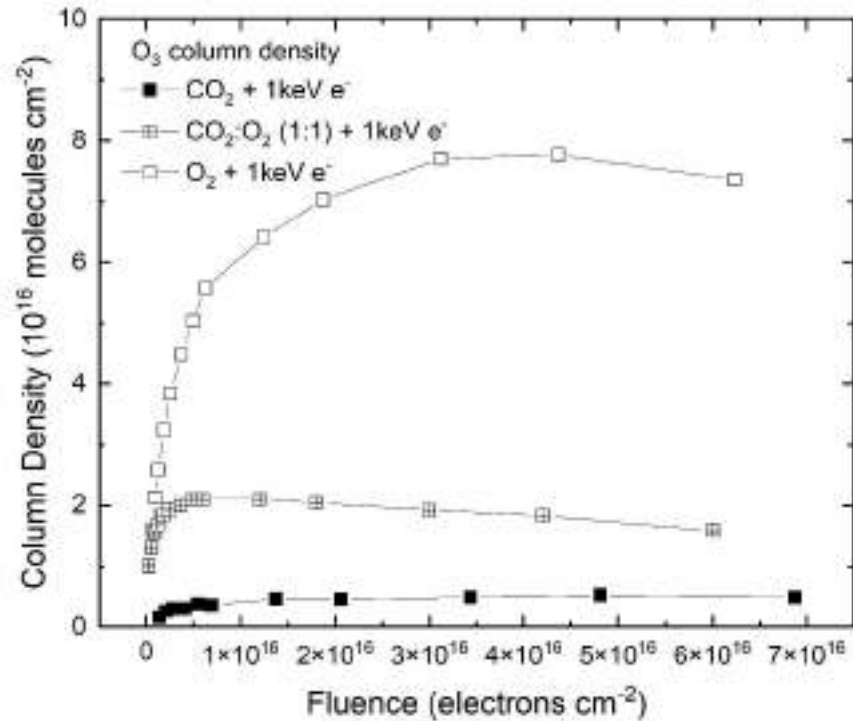


Mixtures containing $\text{CO}_2:\text{O}_2$ ice

Temperature: 20 K
 Deposition: Background
 Ice thickness: $\sim 0.5 \mu\text{m}$

Projectile: e^-
 Energy: 1 keV
 $\Phi = 2.5 \times 10^{13} \text{ e}^- \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

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Mixtures containing CO₂:O₂ ice

Temperature: 20 K

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Ice thickness: ~ 0.5 μm

Projectile: e⁻

Energy: 1 keV

$\Phi = 2.5 \times 10^{13} \text{ e}^- \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

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Atomki QUeens Ice chamber for Laboratory Astrochemistry (AQUILA)



Set-up ideal for studying solar wind radiation physics and chemistry

ECR Ion Source (ECRIS) Laboratory

$$E_{\text{ions}} = 100\text{s eV} - 10\text{s keV}$$

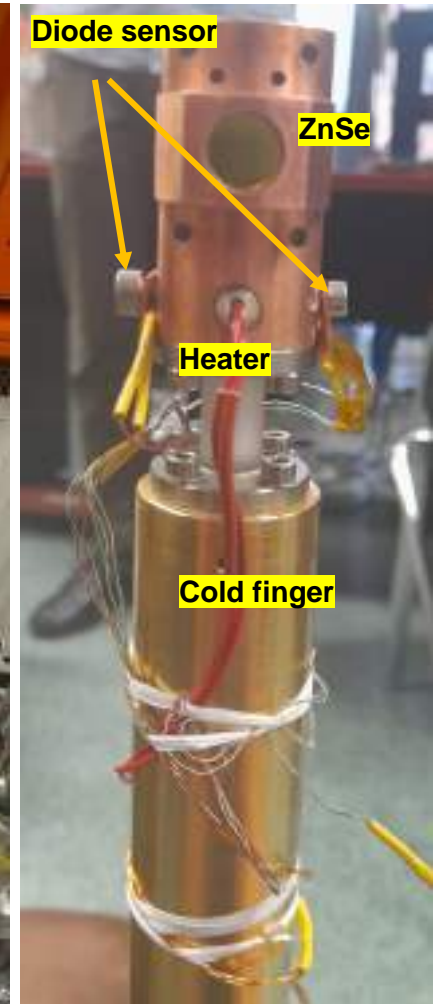
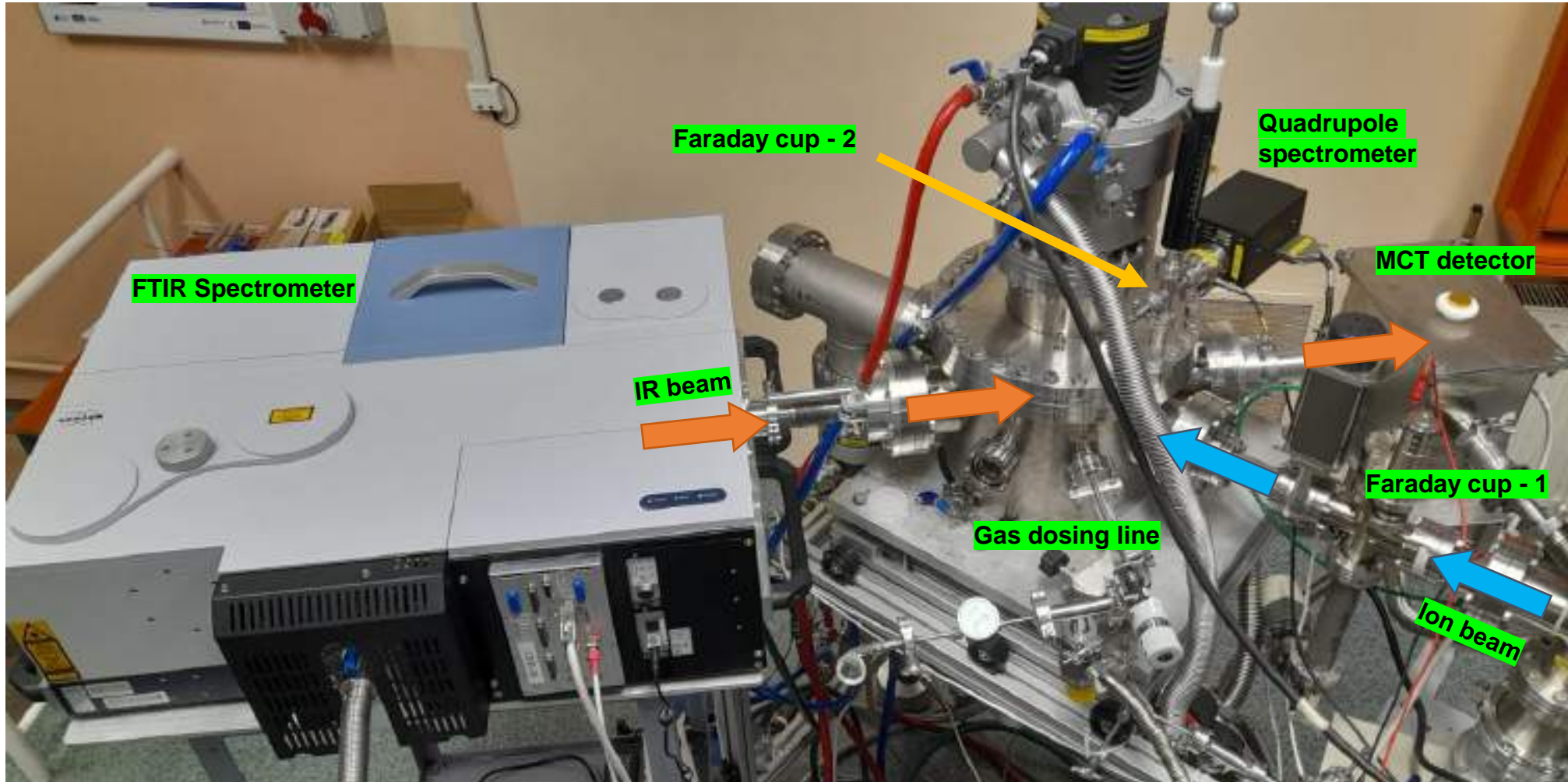
All known components of the **solar wind** can be produced by ECRIS: **H, He, C, O, Si, Fe, Ni**.

ECRIS can produce reasonably **high charge state of ions**.

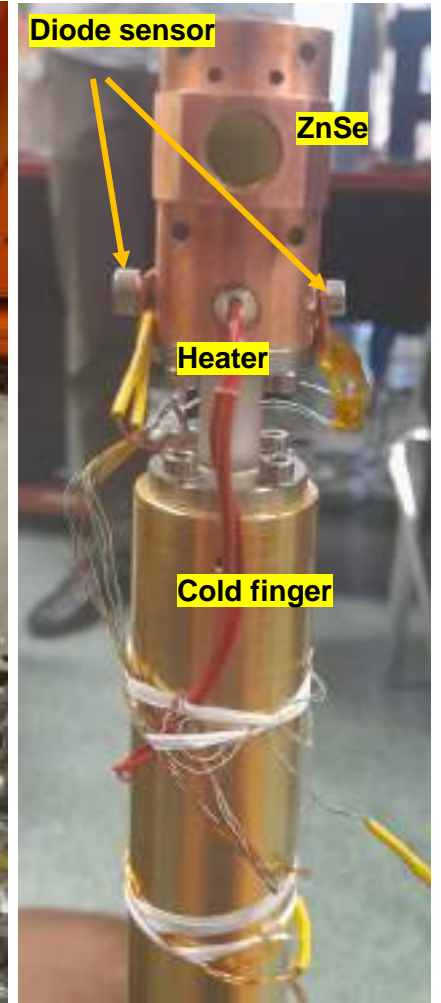
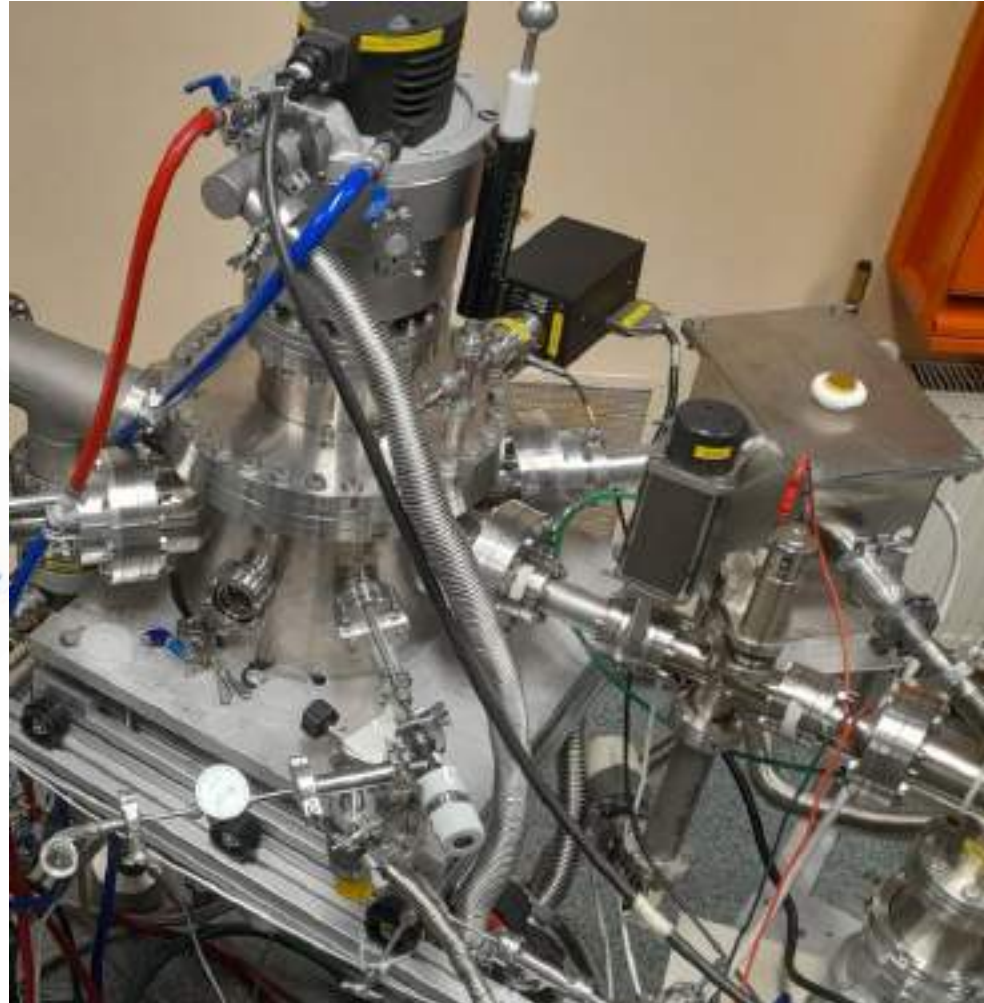
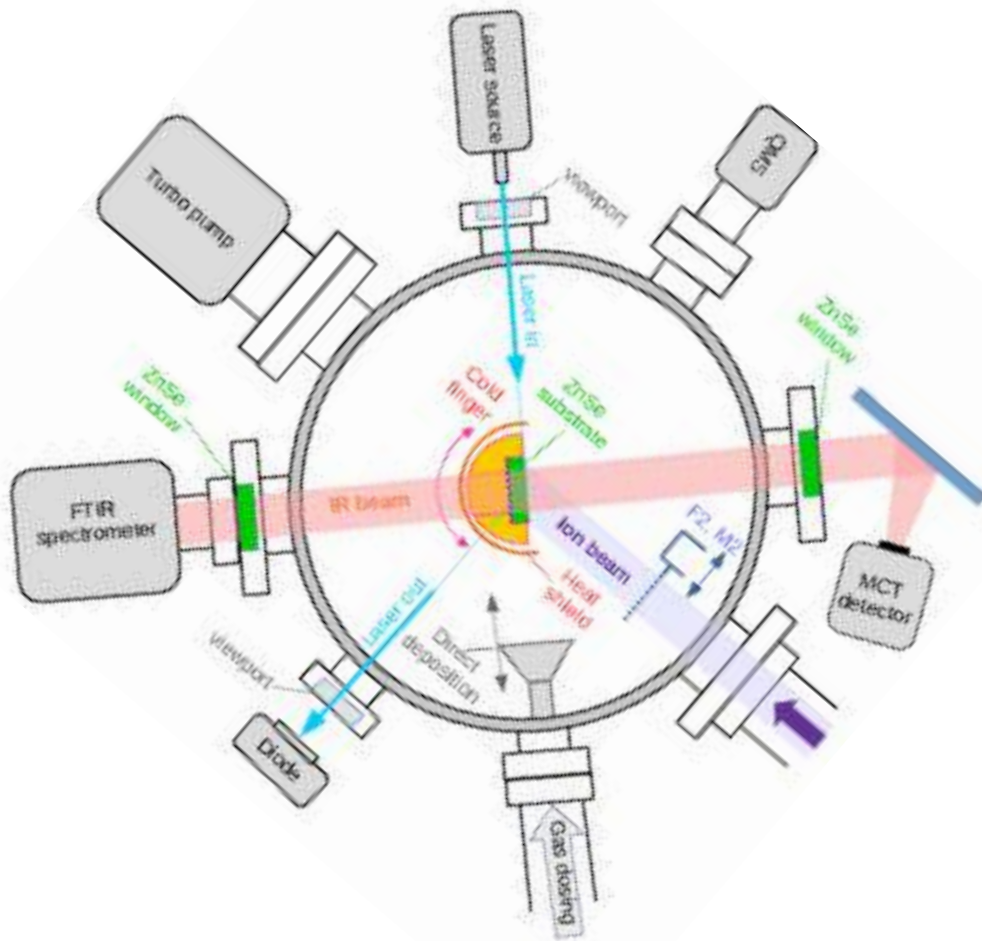
ECRIS is able to produce certain **negative ions or molecular ions** of **H, C, O, OH, O₂**, and **single charged, positive molecular ions** of **H₂, H₃, OH, H₂O, H₃O, O₂**.



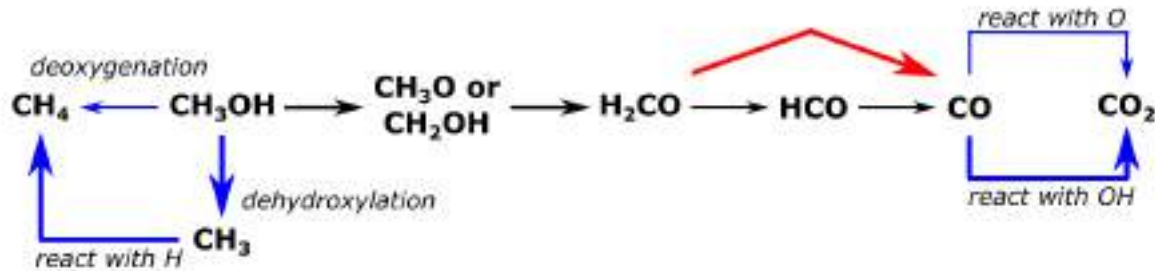
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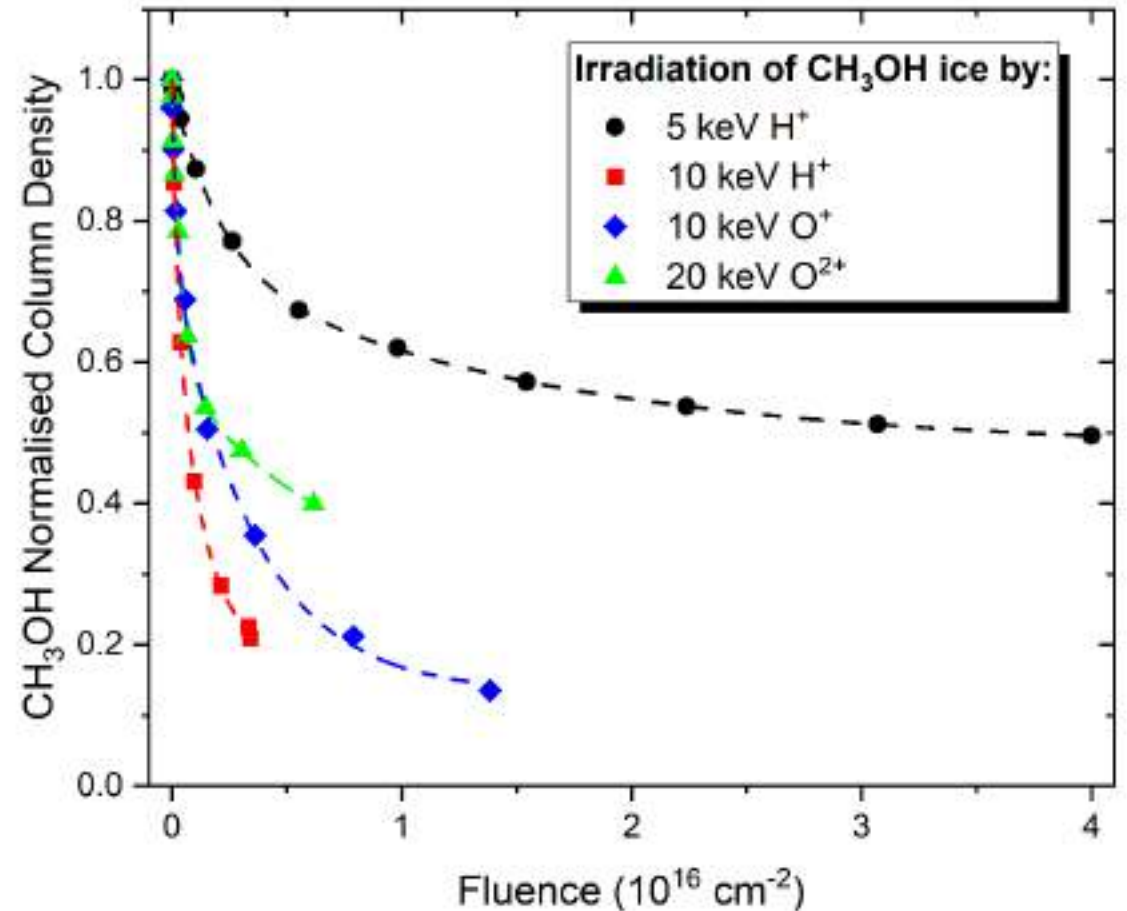
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Methanol (CH₃OH) ice

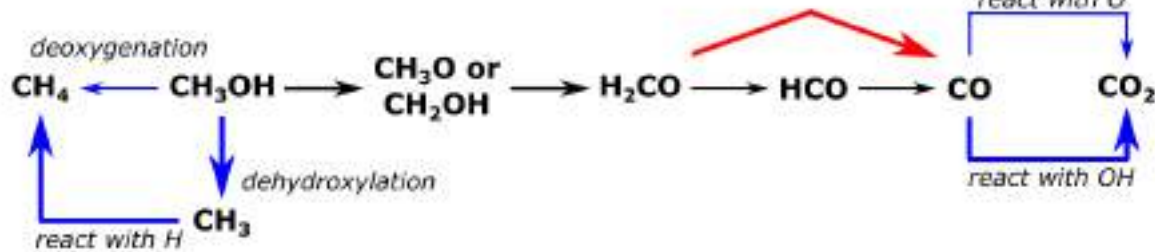
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 Deposition: Background
 Ice thickness: ~ 0.3 μm

Projectile: H⁺, O⁺, O²⁺
 Energy: 5-20 keV
 Current: a few μA



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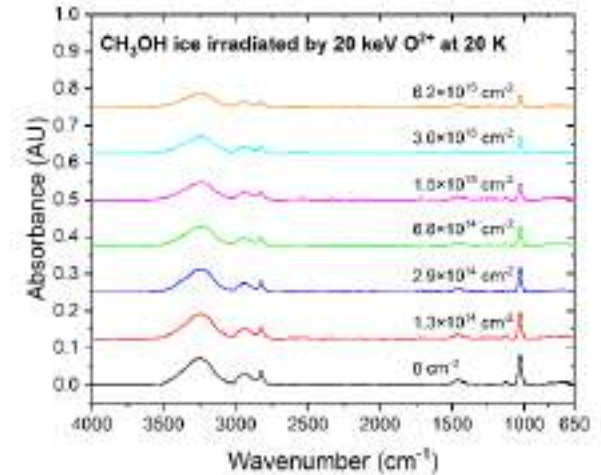
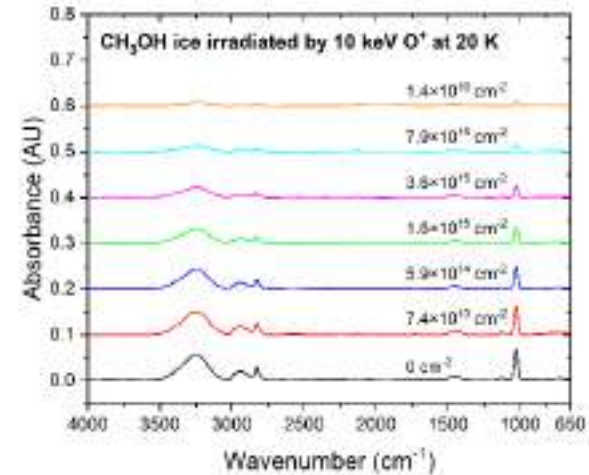
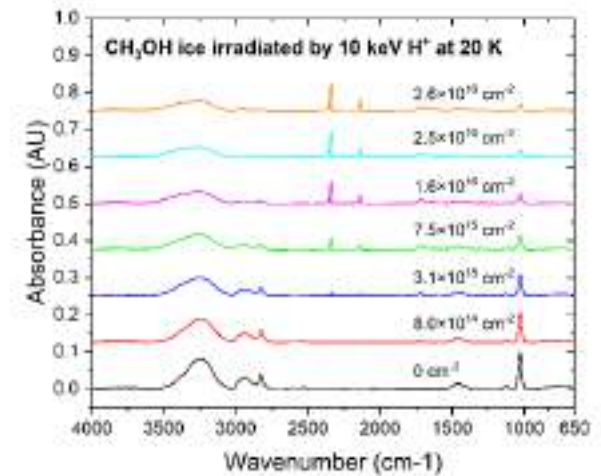
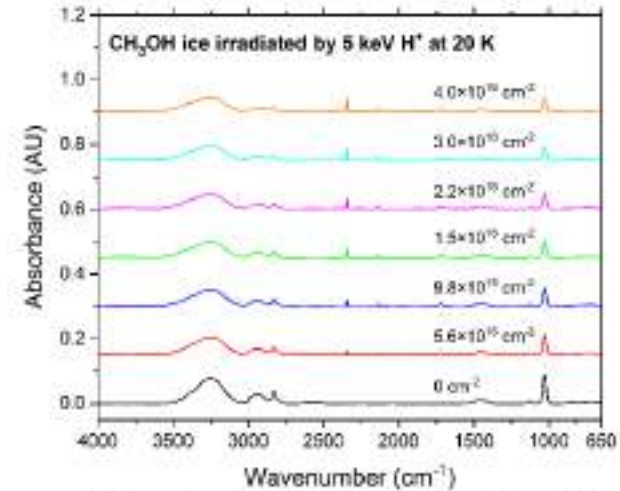
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Methanol (CH_3OH) ice

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 Ice thickness: $\sim 0.3 \mu\text{m}$

Projectile: H^+ , O^+ , O^{2+}
 Energy: 5-20 keV
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COMs form in the ISM, but can they also survive?



Detection of prebiotic molecules in GMC

RNA-world scenario for the origin of life

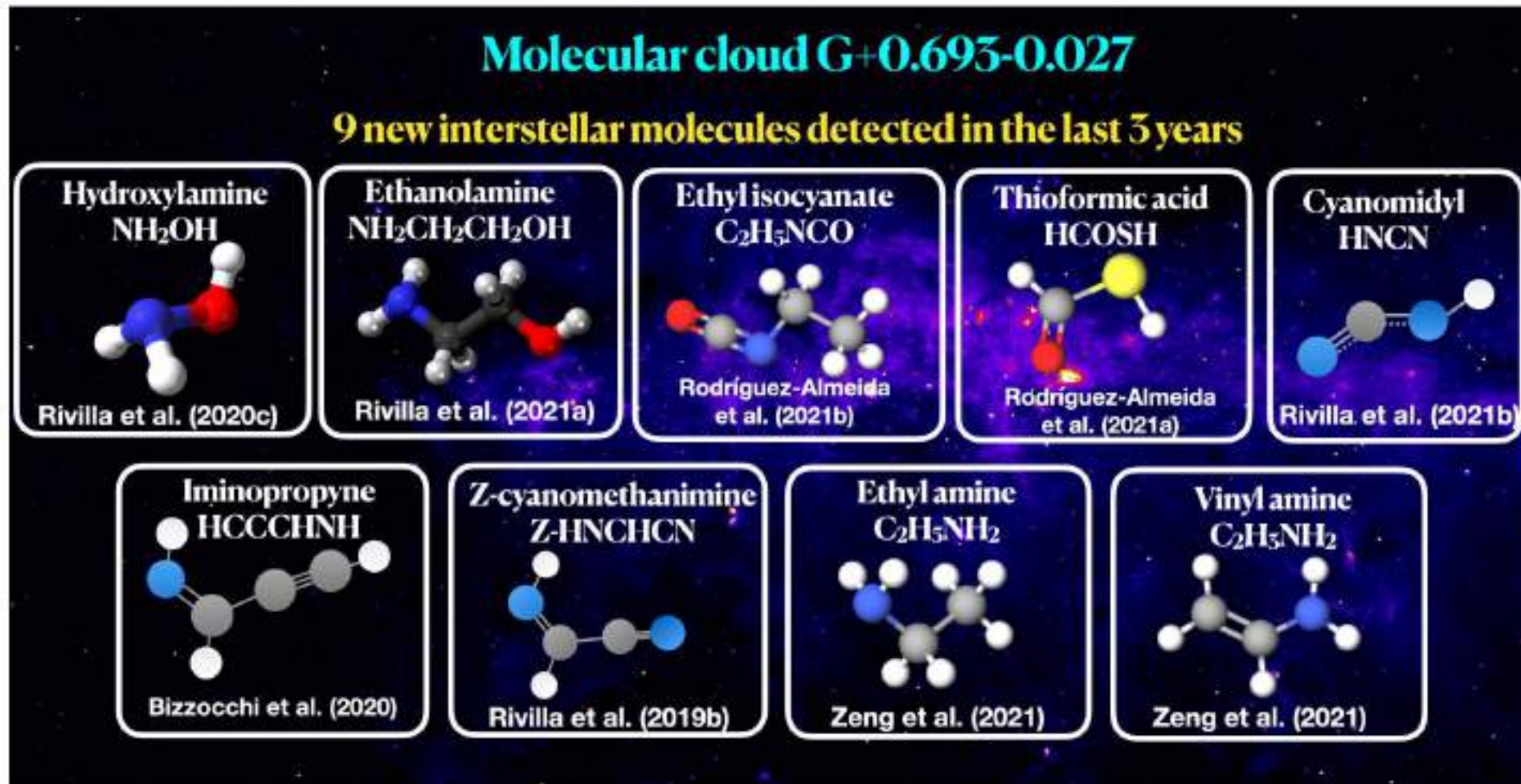


Figure 1: New interstellar molecules detected towards the molecular cloud G+0.693-0.027 using a deep unbiased spectral survey conducted with the Yebes 40m and IRAM 30m telescope.

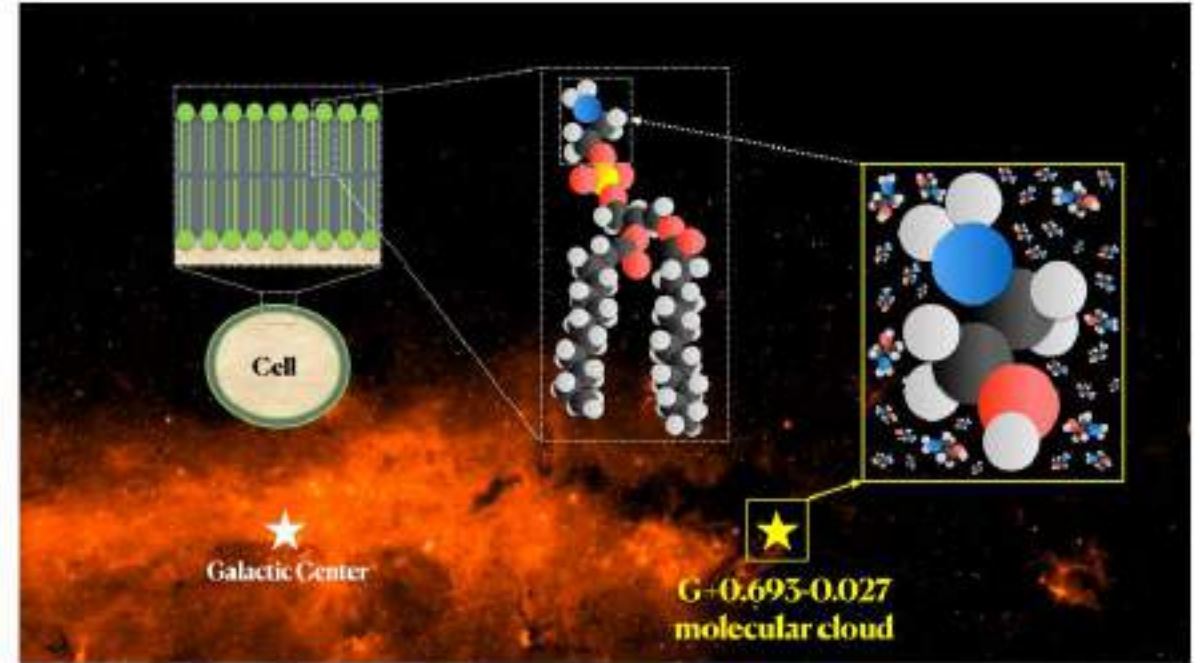
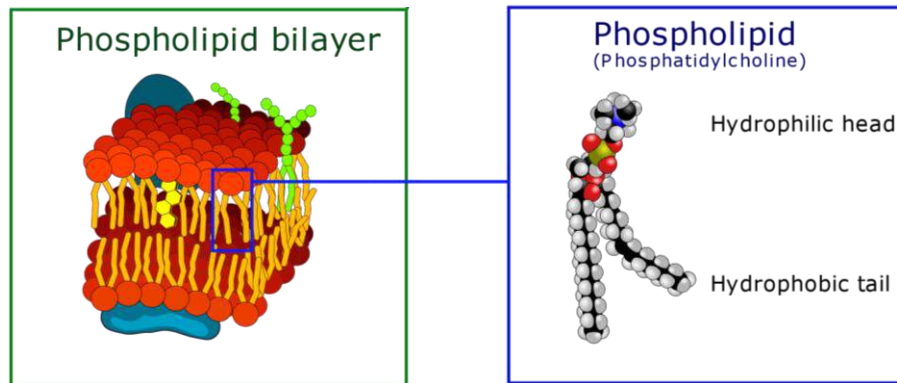
Detection of EtA in the ISM



Discovery in space of ethanolamine, the simplest phospholipid head group

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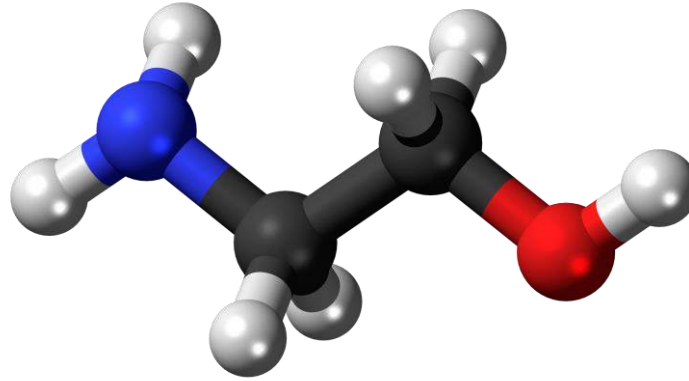
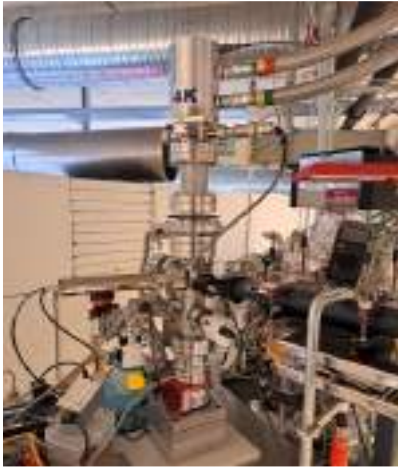


Discovery of ethanolamine, the simplest head of phospholipids (building blocks of cell membranes) towards the molecular cloud G+0.693-0.027 located in the center of our Galaxy. Credits: Victor M. Rivilla & Carlos Briones (Centro de Astrobiología, CSIC-INTA) / NASA Spitzer Space Telescope, IRAC-4 camera (8 microns).

IR and VUV spectroscopic investigation

Survivability of EtA ice in space

UV-IC

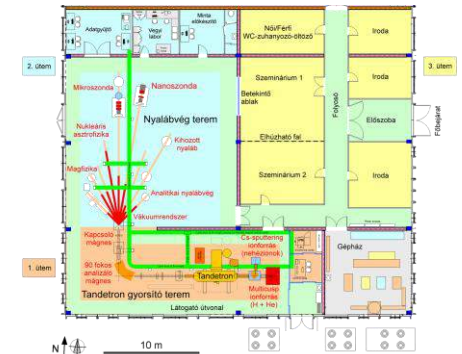


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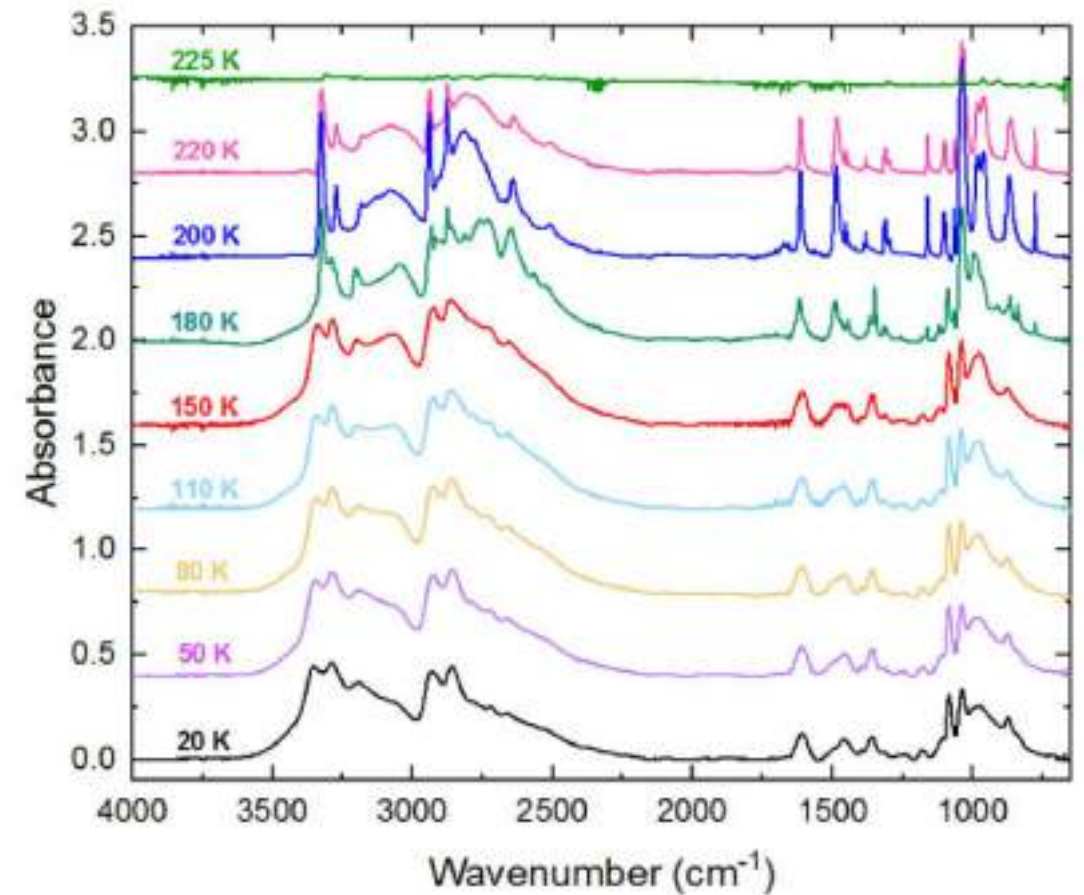
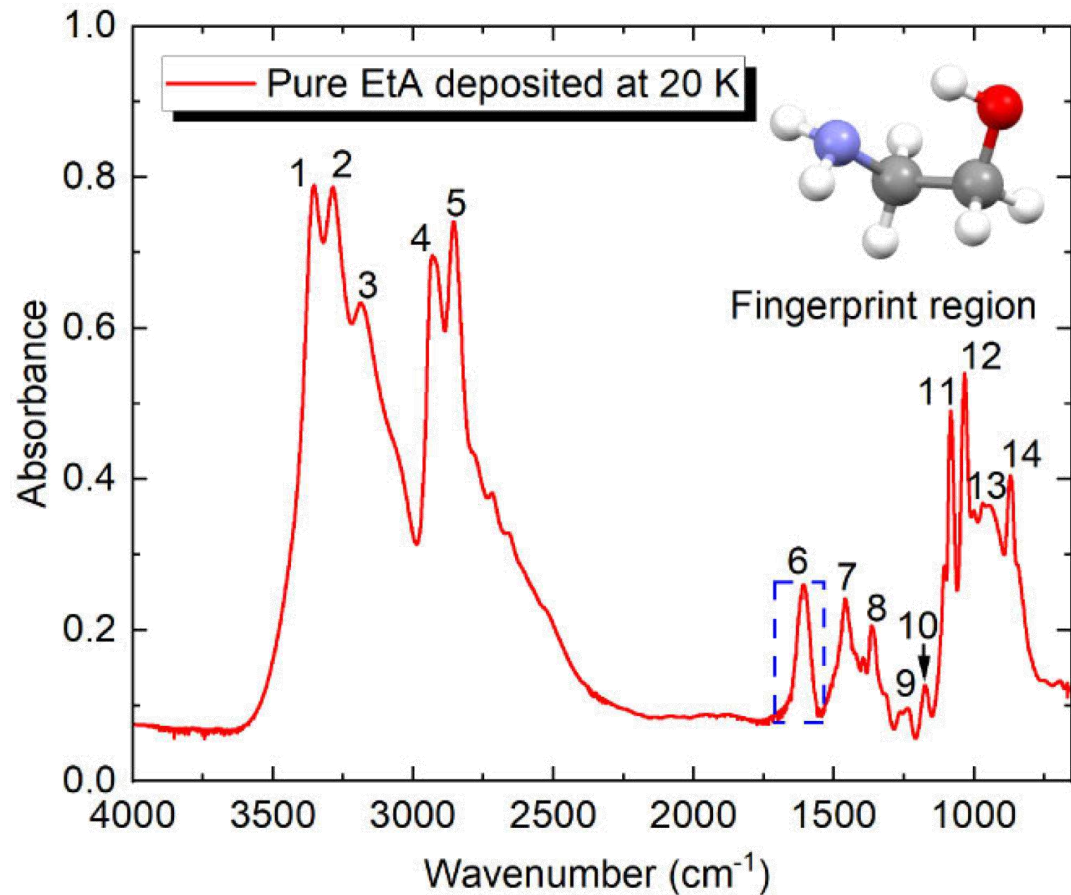
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Composition	Pure EtA	Pure EtA	Pure EtA	H ₂ O:EtA (50:1)	H ₂ O:EtA (20:1)	H ₂ O:EtA (50:1)
Temperature (K)	20-225	20	20	20	20	20
Thickness (μm)	0.33	0.34	0.04	1.90	0.03	1.40
Projectile	–	1 keV e ⁻	1 keV e ⁻	1 keV e ⁻	1 keV e ⁻	1 MeV He ⁺
Penetration depth (μm)	–	0.045	0.045	0.050	0.050	5.6
Stopping power (eV Å ⁻¹)	–	2.22	1.98	2.00	2.00	25.13
Mass stopping power (× 10 ⁻¹⁵ eV cm ² /16u)	–	5.88	5.23	5.69	5.69	71.40
Spectroscopic analysis	IR	IR	VUV	IR	VUV	IR
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Note. [†] Non-irradiative heating experiment.

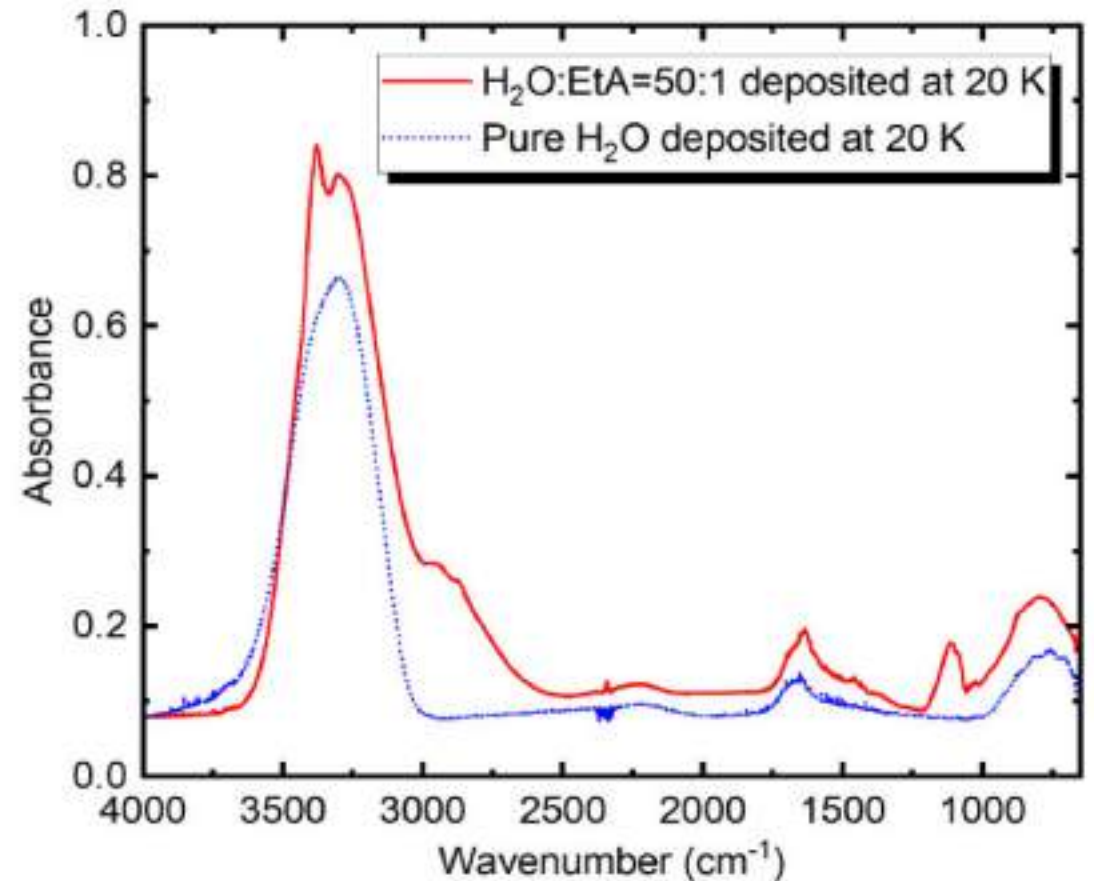
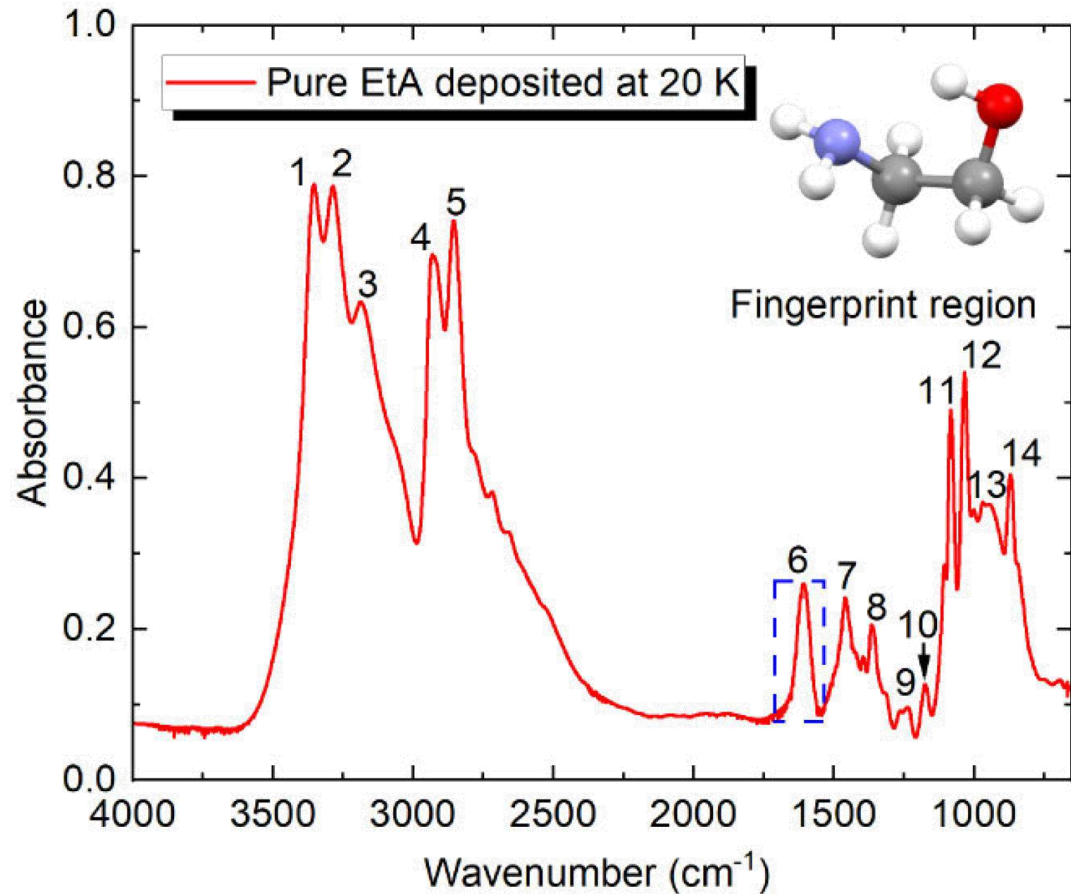


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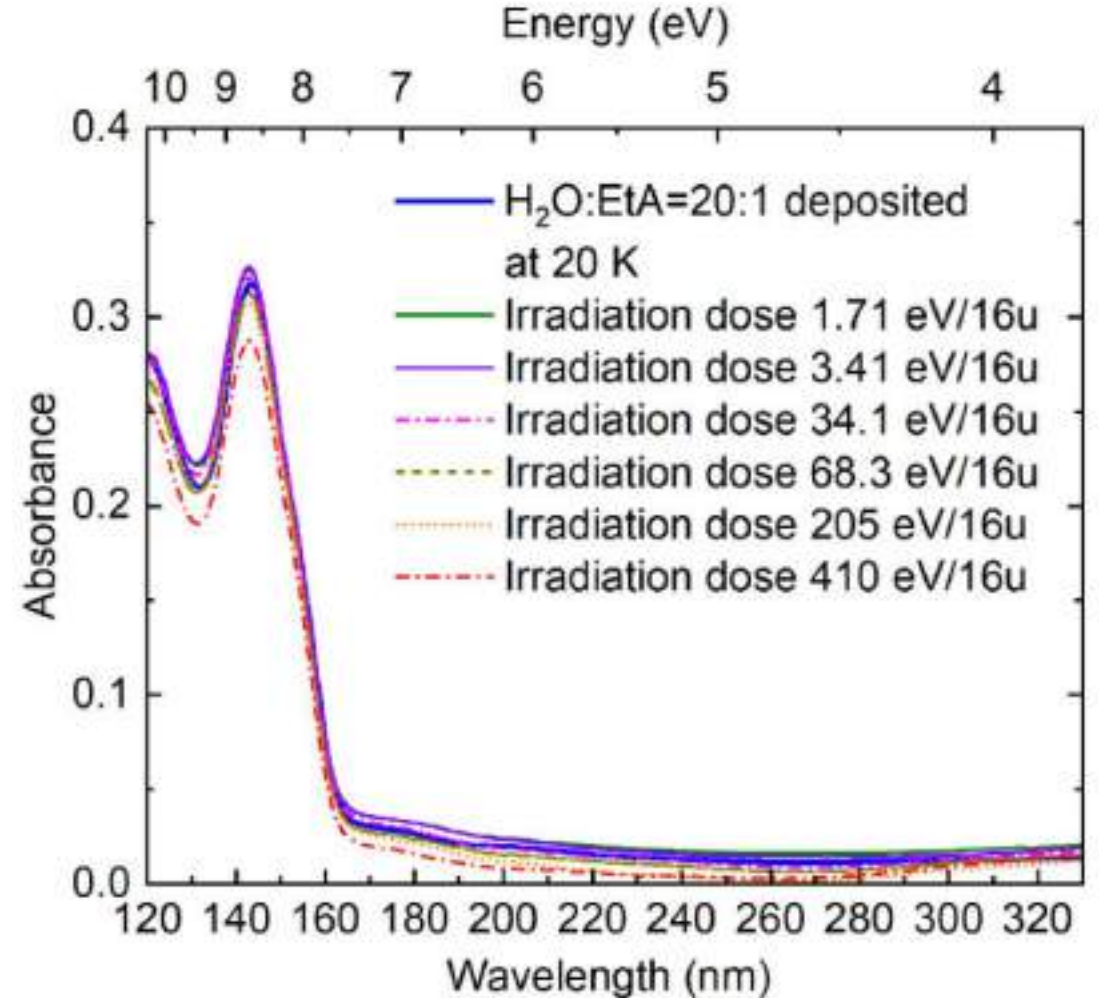
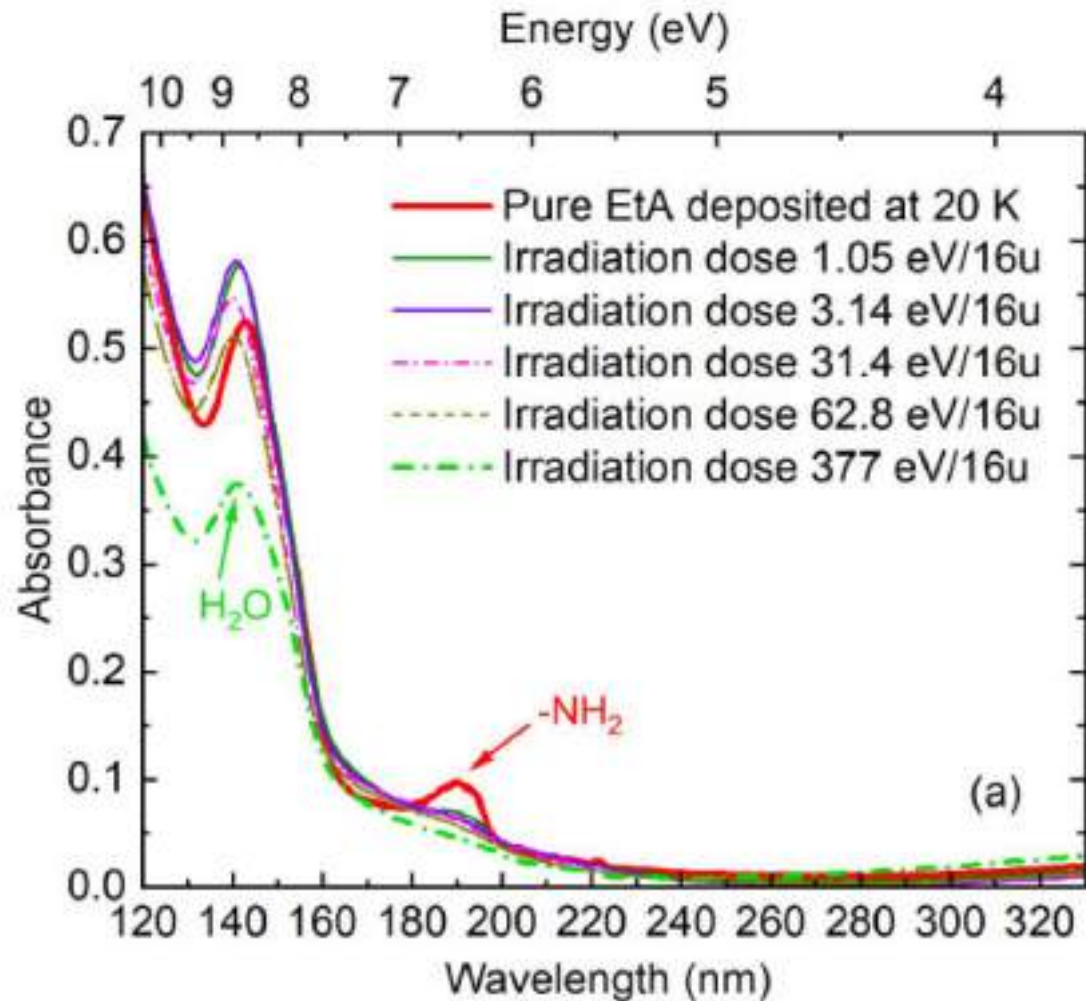
IR and VUV spectroscopic investigation of ion, electron, and thermally processed EtA ice



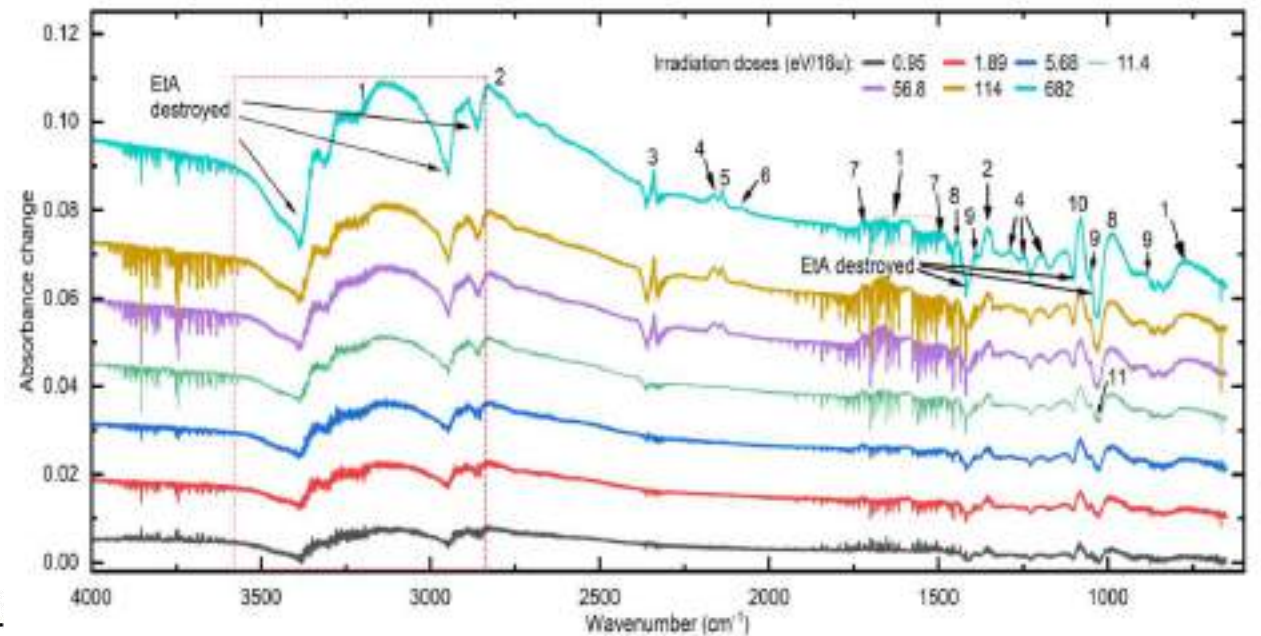
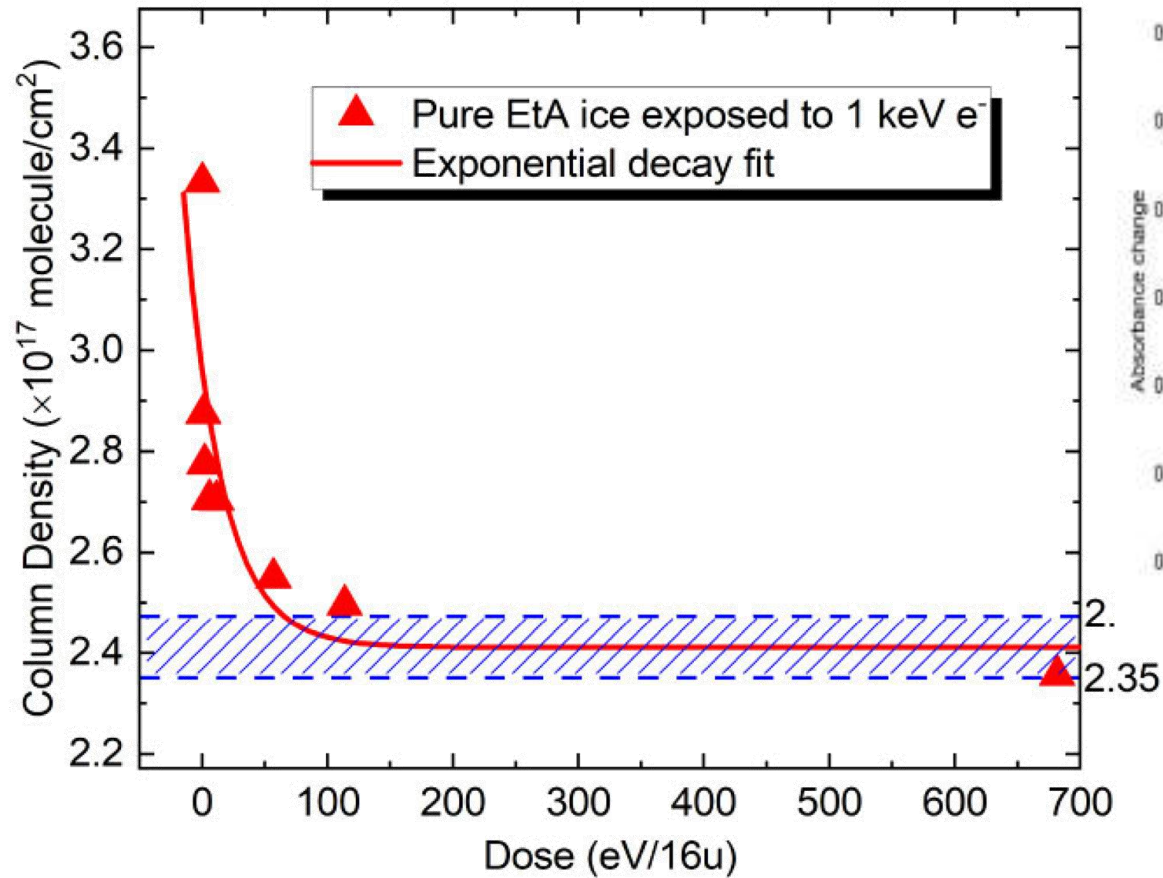
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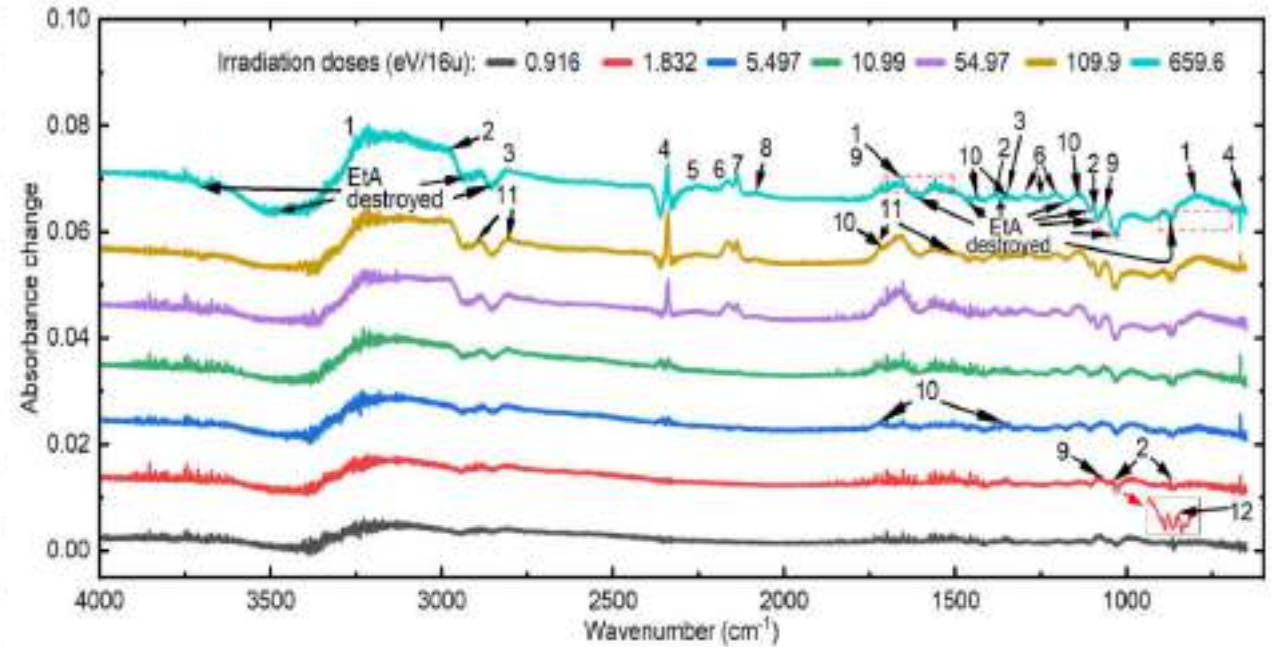
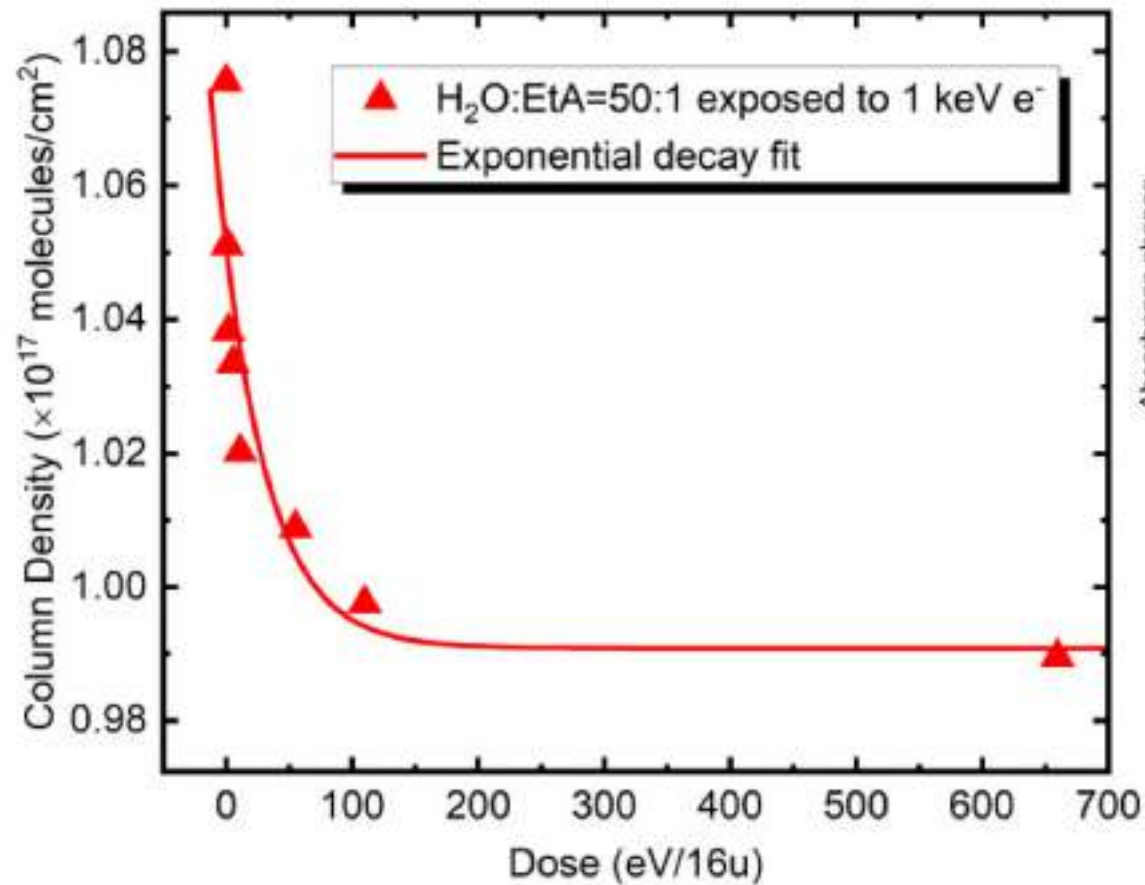


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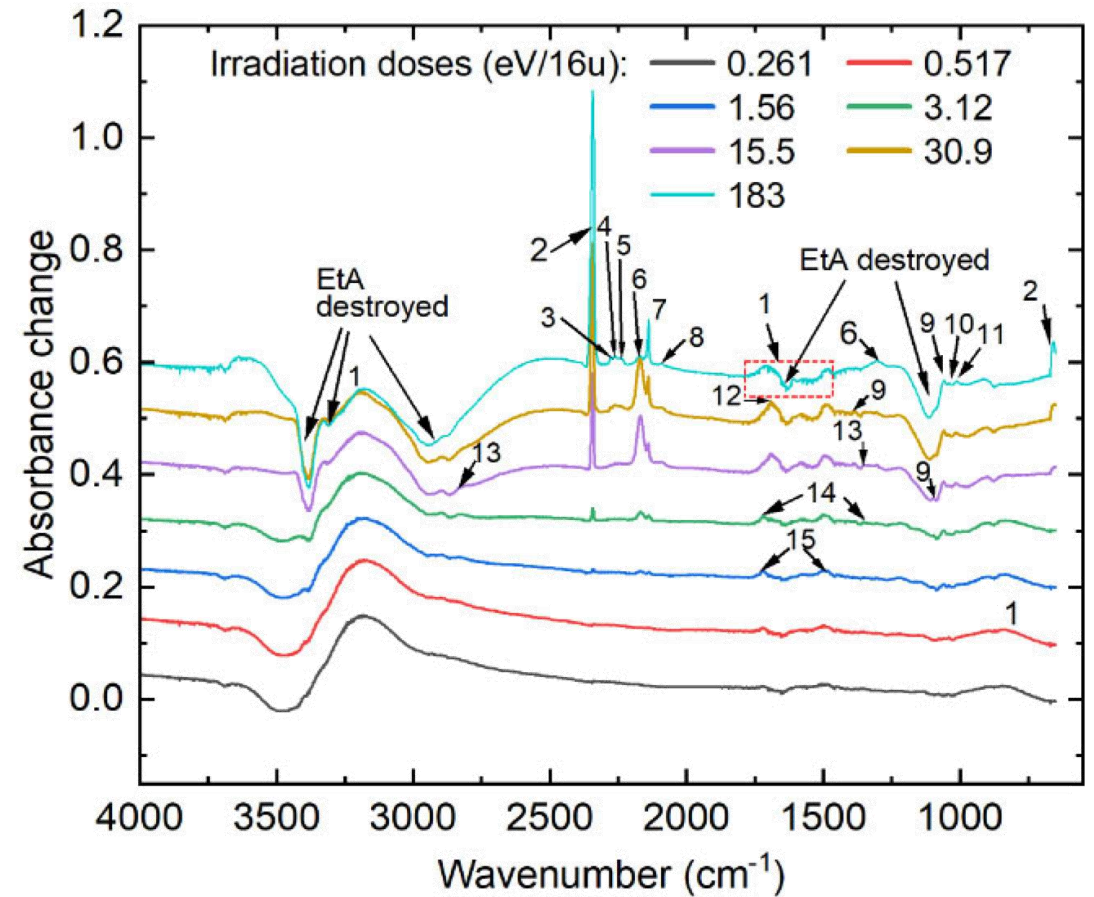
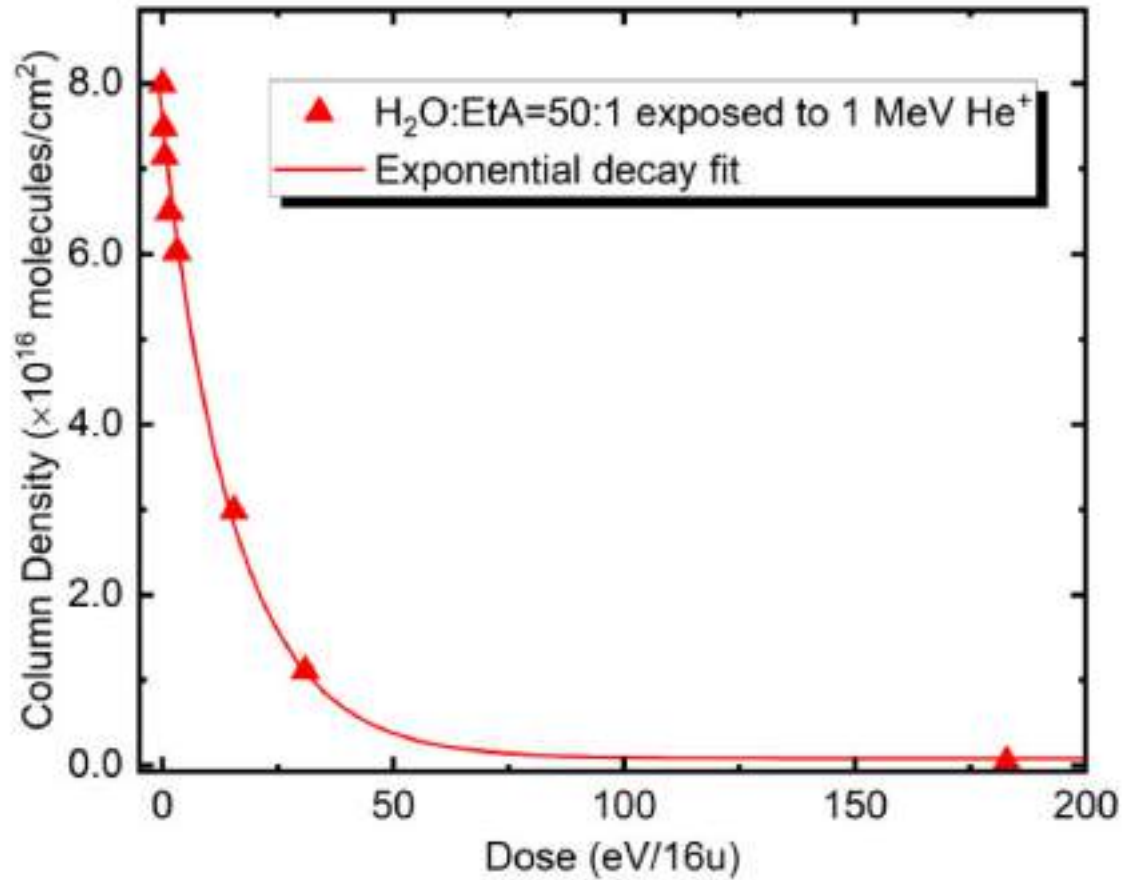
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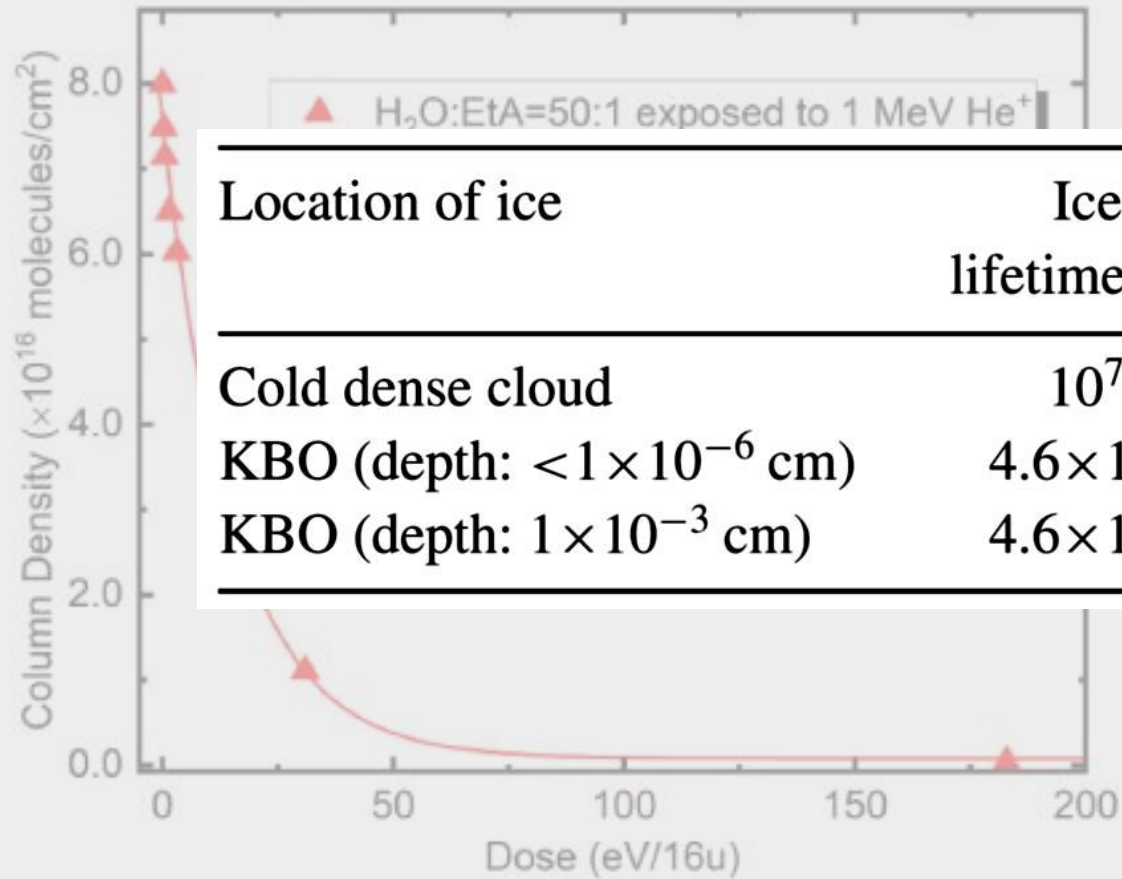
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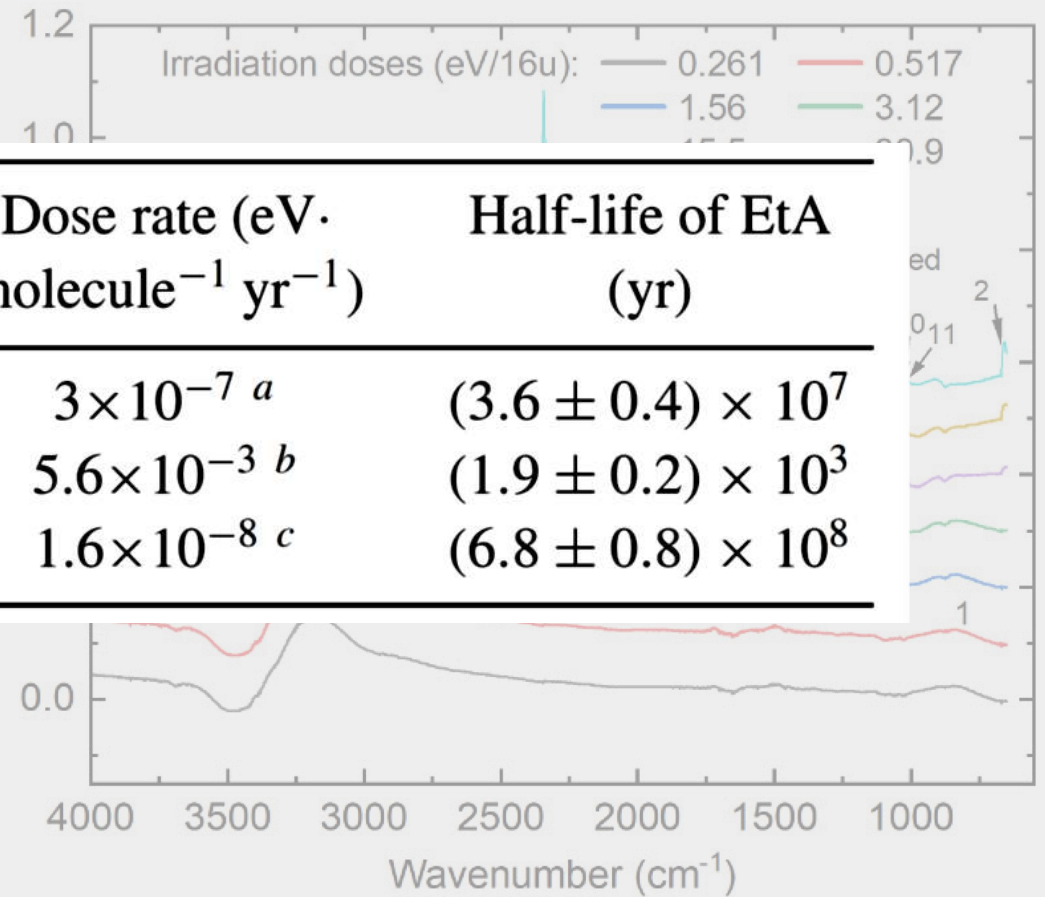


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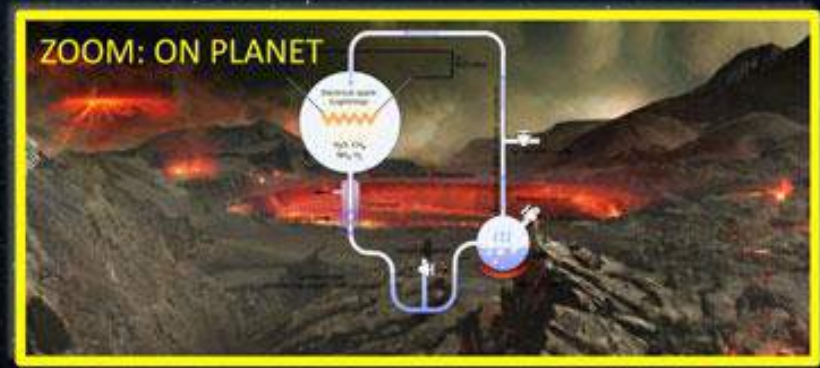
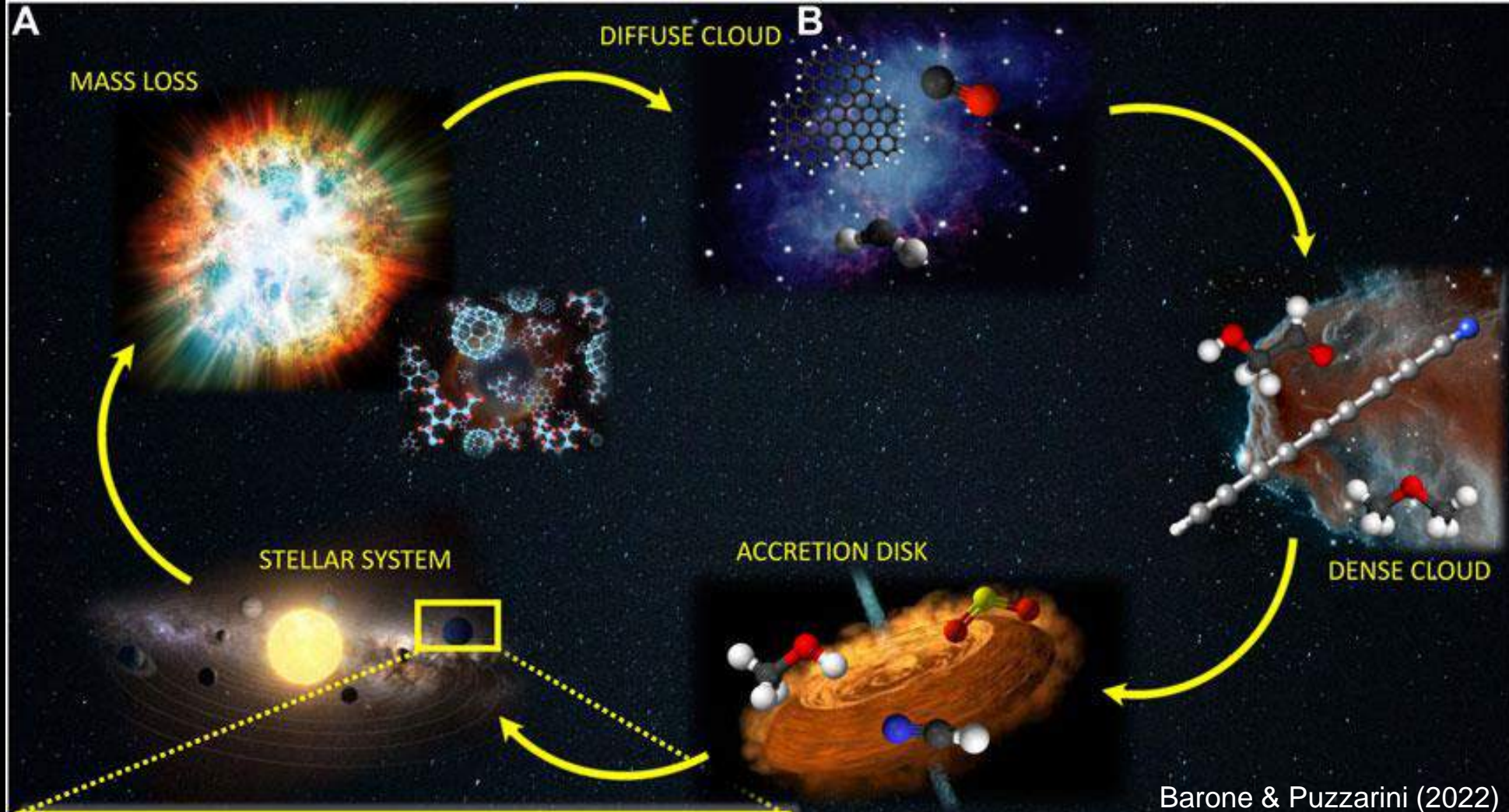
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Location of ice	Ice lifetime (yr)	Dose rate (eV·molecule ⁻¹ yr ⁻¹)	Half-life of EtA (yr)
Cold dense cloud	10 ⁷	3 × 10 ⁻⁷ <i>a</i>	(3.6 ± 0.4) × 10 ⁷
KBO (depth: <1 × 10 ⁻⁶ cm)	4.6 × 10 ⁹	5.6 × 10 ⁻³ <i>b</i>	(1.9 ± 0.2) × 10 ³
KBO (depth: 1 × 10 ⁻³ cm)	4.6 × 10 ⁹	1.6 × 10 ⁻⁸ <i>c</i>	(6.8 ± 0.8) × 10 ⁸



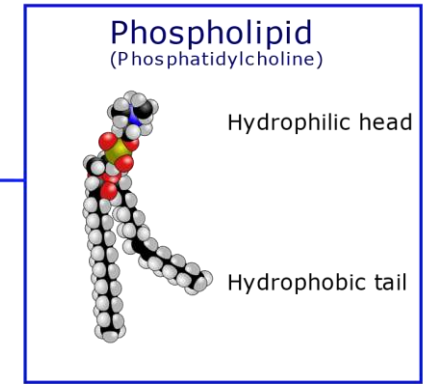
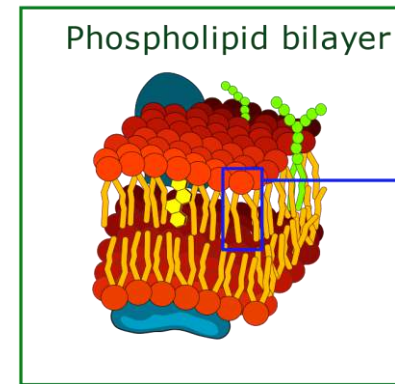
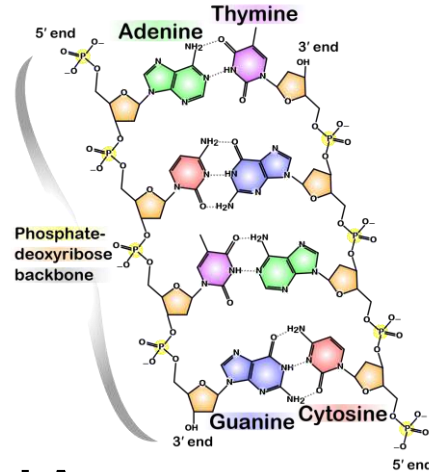
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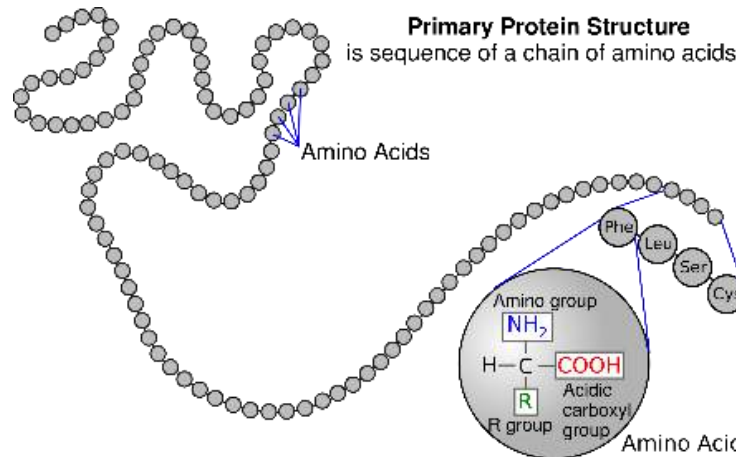
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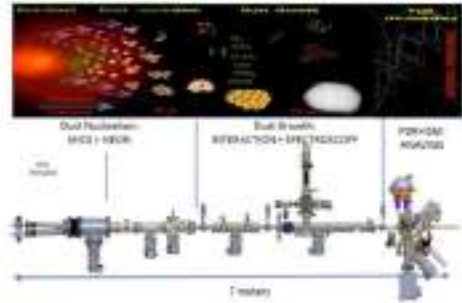
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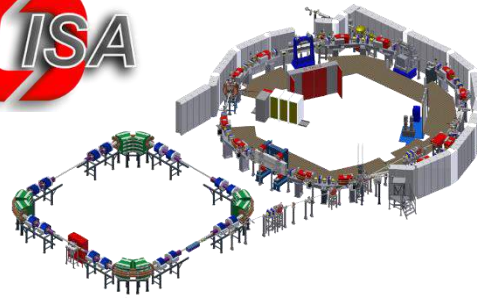
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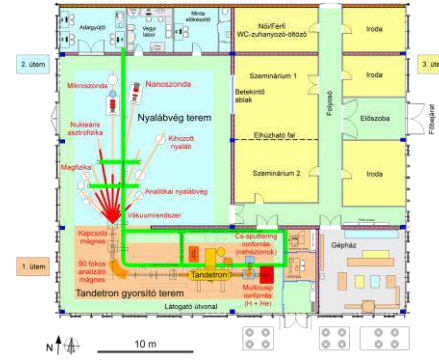
Astrochemistry at Large-Scale Facilities



STARDUST MACHINE

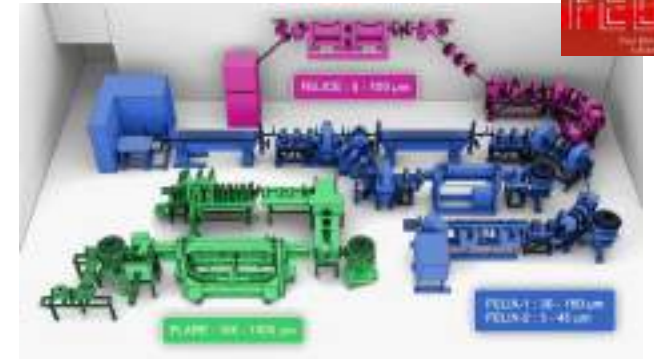


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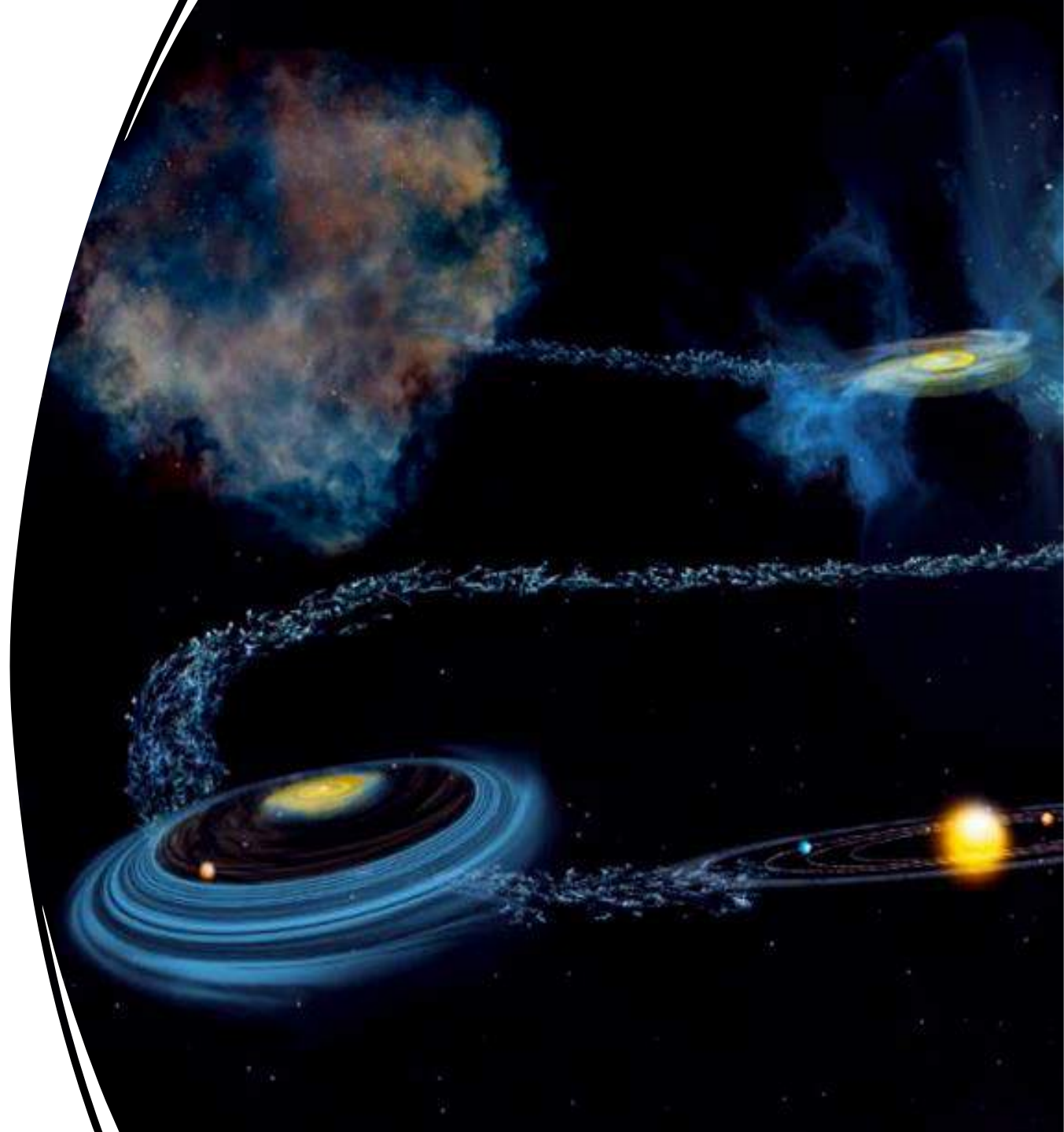


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Summary

- Simple and complex organic molecules formed on dust grains via Dark Chemistry
- UV, CR, electrons, and heat change the physicochemical composition of ice grains
- Building blocks of life can survive star formation process
- Laboratory Astrochemistry needs to strengthen link to Astrobiology





QUESTIONS