



The ASAI View on the Evolution of Molecular Complexity along the Formation of Sun-Like stars.

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Outline

Introduction

Molecular complexity in the Prestellar phase

Feedback processes

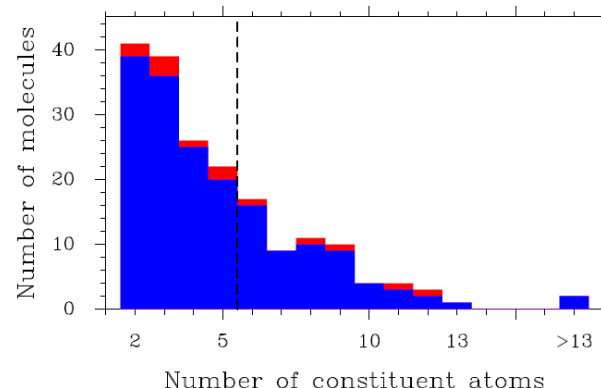
Prebiotic chemistry

Protostars: from ASAI to SOLIS

Conclusions

Molecular Complexity in the Universe

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 atoms
H ₂	C ₃	c-C ₃ H	C ₅	C ₅ H	C ₆ H	CH ₃ C ₃ N	CH ₃ C ₄ H	CH ₃ C ₅ N	HC ₉ N	C ₆ H ₆	HC ₁₁ N
AlF	C ₂ H	l-C ₃ H	C ₄ H	l-H ₂ C ₄	CH ₂ CHCN	HCOOCH ₃	CH ₃ CH ₂ CN	(CH ₃) ₂ CO	CH ₃ C ₆ H	C ₂ H ₅ OCH ₃	
AlCl	C ₂ O	C ₃ N	C ₄ Si	C ₂ H ₄	CH ₃ C ₂ H	CH ₃ COOH?	(CH ₃) ₂ O	(CH ₂ OH) ₂	C ₂ H ₅ OCHO	C ₃ H ₇ CN	
C ₂	C ₂ S	C ₃ O	l-C ₃ H ₂	CH ₃ CN	HC ₅ N	C ₇ H	CH ₃ CH ₂ OH	CH ₃ CH ₂ CHO	CH ₃ OCOCH ₃		+ C ₆₀ , C ₇₀
CH	CH ₂	C ₃ S	c-C ₃ H ₂	CH ₃ NC	CH ₃ CHO	C ₆ H ₂	HC ₇ N	CH ₃ CHCH ₂ O			
CH ⁺	HCN	C ₂ H ₂	CH ₂ CN	CH ₃ OH	CH ₃ NH ₂	CH ₂ OHCHO	C ₈ H				
CN	HCO	NH ₃	CH ₄	CH ₃ SH	c-C ₂ H ₄ O	l-HC ₆ H	CH ₃ CONH ₂				
CO	HCO ⁺	HCCN	HC ₃ N	HC ₃ NH ⁺	CH ₂ CHOH	CH ₂ CHCHO	C ₈ H ⁻				
CO ⁺	HCS ⁺	HCCNH ⁺	HC ₂ NC	HC ₂ CHO	C ₆ H ⁻	CH ₂ CCHCN	C ₃ H ₆				
CP	HOC ⁺	HNCO	HCOOH	NH ₂ CHO		NH ₂ CH ₂ CN					
CSi	H ₂ O	HNCS	H ₂ CNH	C ₅ N		CH ₃ CHNH					
HCl	H ₂ S	HOCO ⁺	H ₂ C ₂ O	l-HC ₄ H							
KCl	HNC	H ₂ CO	H ₂ NCN	l-HC ₄ N							
NH	HNO	H ₂ CN	HNC ₃	c-H ₂ C ₃ O							
NO	MgCN	H ₂ CS	SiH ₄	H ₂ CCNH							
NS	MgNC	H ₃ O ⁺	H ₂ COH ⁺	C ₅ N ⁻							
NaCl	N ₂ H ⁺	c-SiC ₃	C ₄ H ⁻	HNCHCN							
OH	N ₂ O	CH ₃	HCOCN								
PN	NaCN	C ₃ N ⁻	HNCNH								
SO	OCS	PH ₃	CH ₃ O								
SO ⁺	SO ₂	HCNO	NH ₄ ⁺								
SiN	c-SiC ₂	HOCN	H ₂ NCO ⁺								
SiO	CO ₂	C ₃ H ⁺									
SiS	NH ₂	HMgNC									
CS	H ₃ ⁺										
HF	SiCN										
HD	AlNC										
FeO?	SiNC										
O ₂	CCP										
CF ⁺	AlOH										
SiH	H ₂ O ⁺										
PO	H ₂ Cl ⁺										
AlO,	KCN										
OH ⁺ ,	FeCN										
CN ⁻	HO ₂										



200 molecules discovered

Complex Organic Molecules : ≥ 6 atoms + C atoms

(Herbst & van Dishoeck, 2009)

30% of molecules are COMs, including :

Aminoacetonitrile : NH₂CH₂CN (Belloche, 2008)

Branched alkyl molecules i-C₃H₇CN (Belloche, 2014)

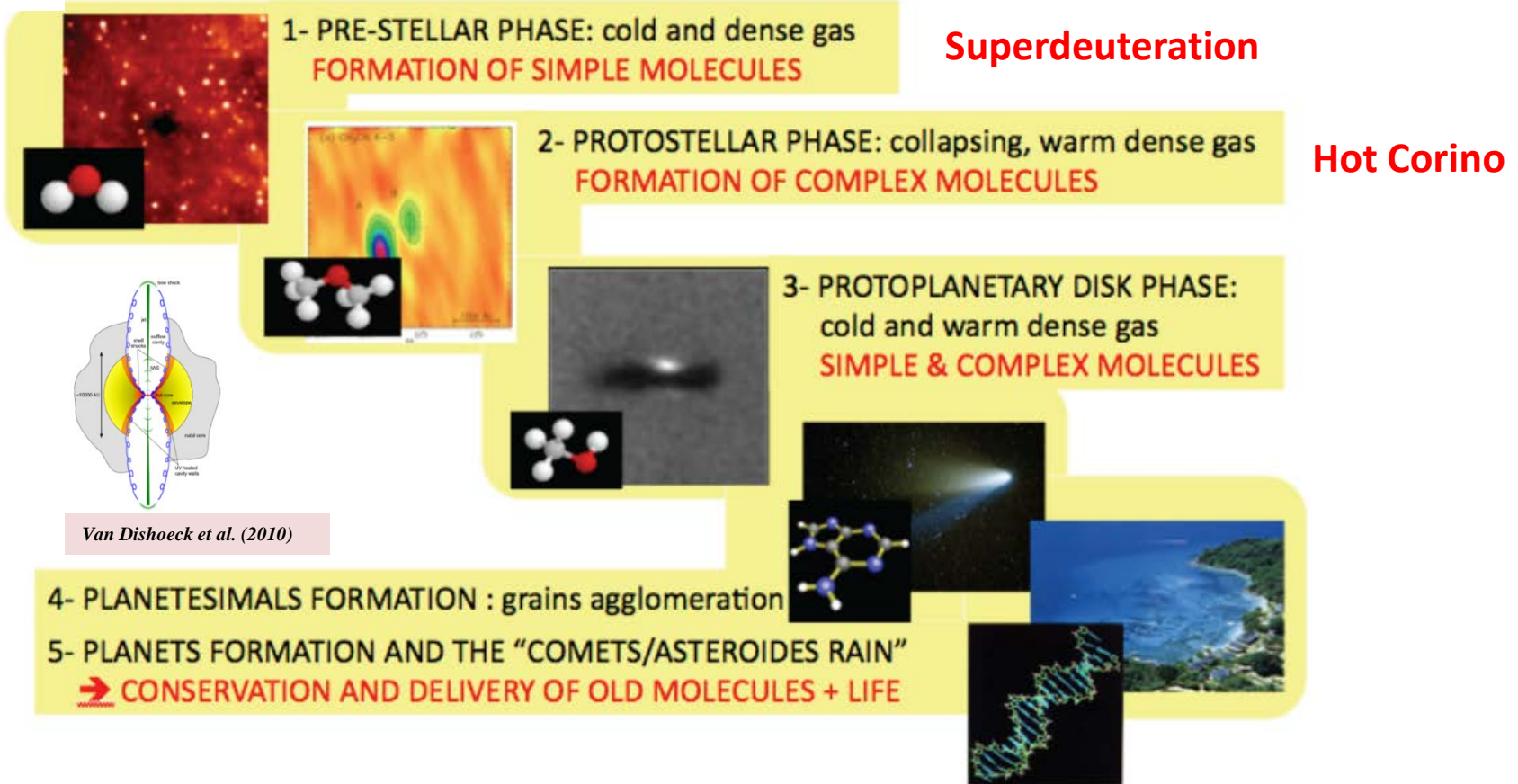
Propylene oxide CH₃CHCH₂O (McGuire 2016) ?

What about Low-Mass Star Forming Regions ?



Molecular Complexity and Star Formation

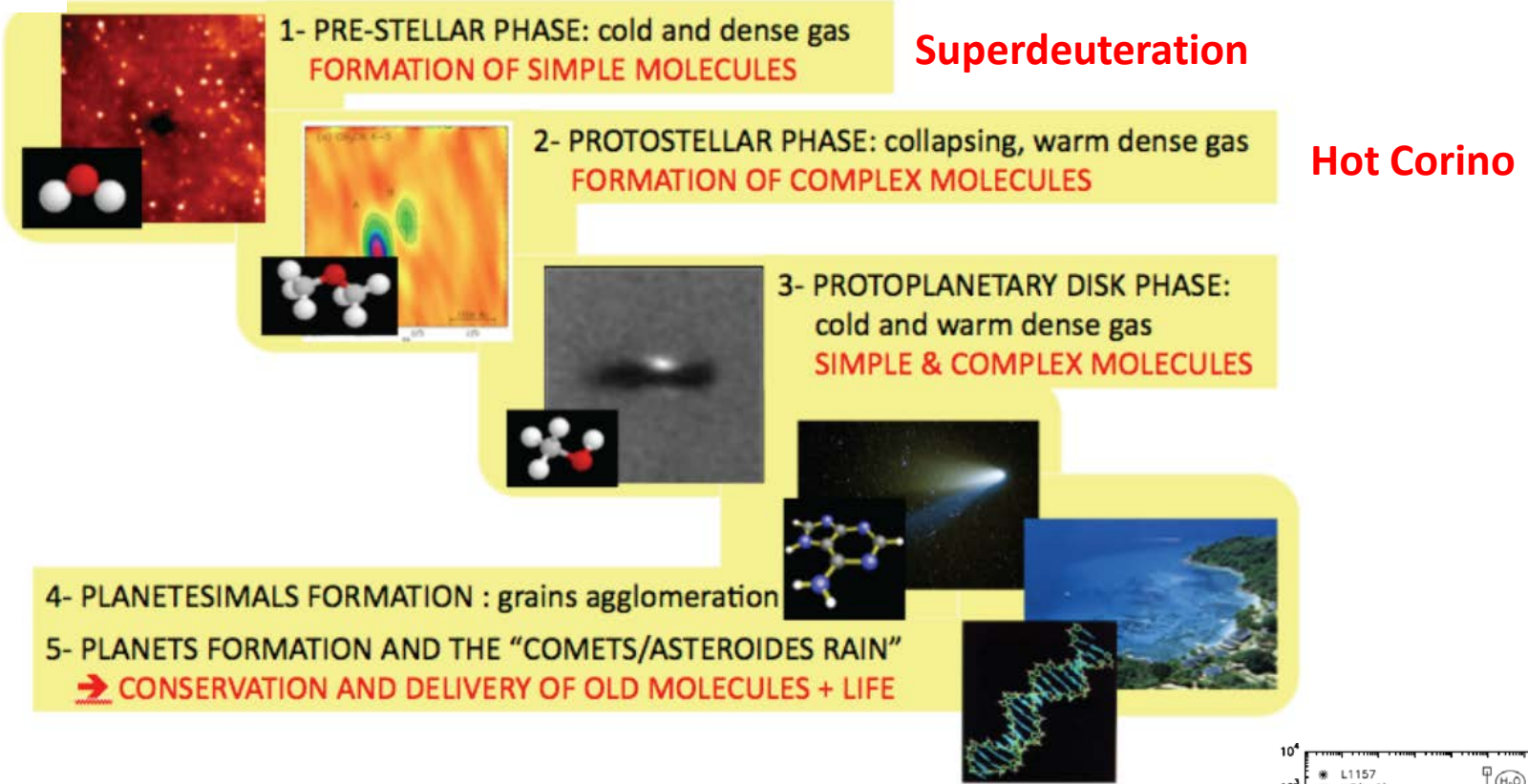
An astrochemical view of solar-type star formation





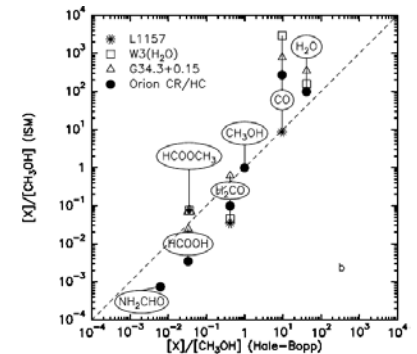
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Composition of Hale-Bopp // L1157

Bockelee-Morvan et al. (2000)



Open Issues

Are meteoritic and cometary amino-acids pristine interstellar molecules ?
Are such molecules widespread in the Galaxy and in star-forming regions ?
Which memory is kept by the small bodies of the Solar System ?

Our view of chemical evolution is incomplete

- **Molecular composition of the prestellar phase is poorly known**

e.g. : CH_3CHCH_2 was discovered as abundant as $\text{c-C}_3\text{H}_2$ (Marcelino et al. 2007)

- **Some protostars do not exhibit a hot corino BUT a rich content in C-chains** Sakai et al. (2008)

→ Is there any other “chemical class” of protostars and why ?

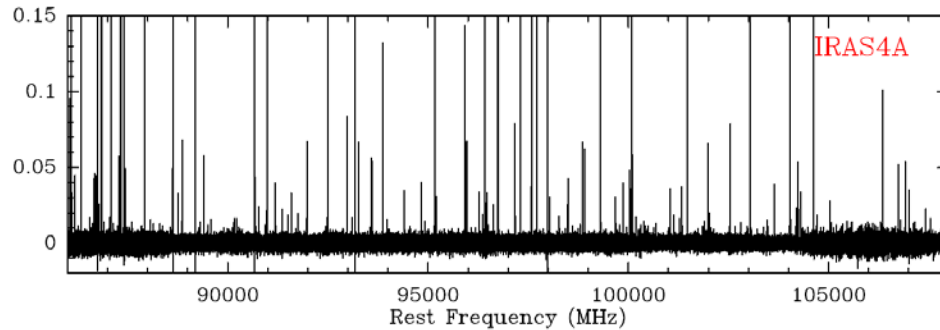
- **Not many protostars are “well known” ?... Are they freaks ?**

Which molecular complexity along SF can be reached and how does it evolve ?

Which role do Feedback processes play ? outflow/shocks, UV radiation

Which processes drive the formation/destruction of molecular species ?

Why Line Surveys ?



Unbiased Spectral Line Surveys

- A large number of lines: large frequency coverage to probe a wide range of A_{ij} , E_{up} , n , T , v + isotopologues
- No (important) missing line(s) : unbiased
- Full chemical census : parent, daughter molecules, radicals, etc...

Serendipitous discoveries: $\text{CH}_3\text{COOCH}_3$ (Tercero et al. 2013), CH_3CHCH_2 (Marcelino et al. 2007), ...

Secure identification requires

- Good knowledge of the source structure (gradients (X, T, n, v) should be consistent)
Emission may be extended (filtered ?)... \rightarrow Mapping
- No conflict with other molecules : model emission of various molecules (consistent relative intensities and line blending)

Recent Advances in Radioastronomy



2011 : A few GHz bandwidth ☺

Broad band Low-Trec 2SB receivers (+ backends)

IRAM 30m : Spectral range 70 – 360 GHz

Bandwidth : 32 GHz instantaneous (soon 64 GHz)

Resolution : 50 to 200 kHz

Observational uncertainties (rel. calibration/pointing) are less

Full mm line survey : 200hrs → 50hrs !

Spectral Line Surveys are becoming the reference tool



Astrochemical Surveys At IRAM

PI : B. Lefloch (IPAG) & R. Bachiller (OAN)



ASAI (400hrs) : a Legacy Chemical Survey of Solar-Type SFRs

1- to obtain an evolutive view of chemistry

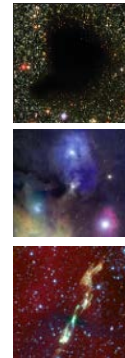
2 - to constrain the influence of environmental conditions

Unbiased spectral surveys 70-272 GHz of a sample of 10 template sources of the different stages of solar-type star formation with the IRAM 30m telescope (+Herschel)

Prestellar cores: young / evolved

Class 0/I/II : Early / Hot Corino / WCCC
+ 2 Int. Mass protostars: Isolated/Cluster

Shocks



1. Census of the molecular composition: source intercomparison → time, env. conditions

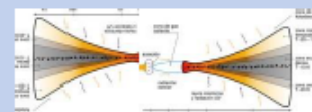
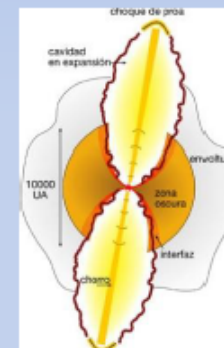
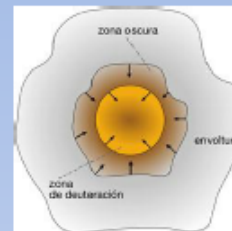
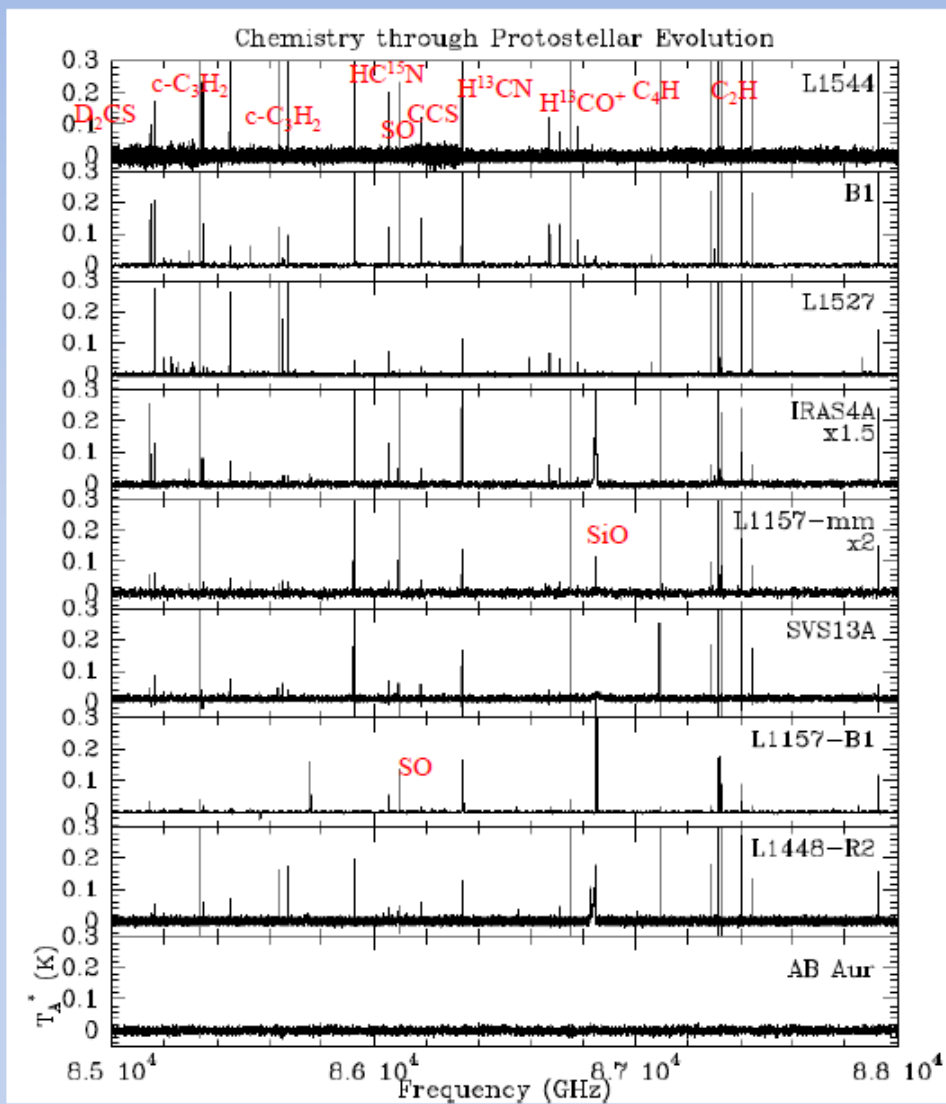
2. Derive chemical composition/structure of the sources:

comparison with models → quantify chemical differentiation : how and when

3. Characterize the physical and chemical processes at work



Chemical Differentiation



Time

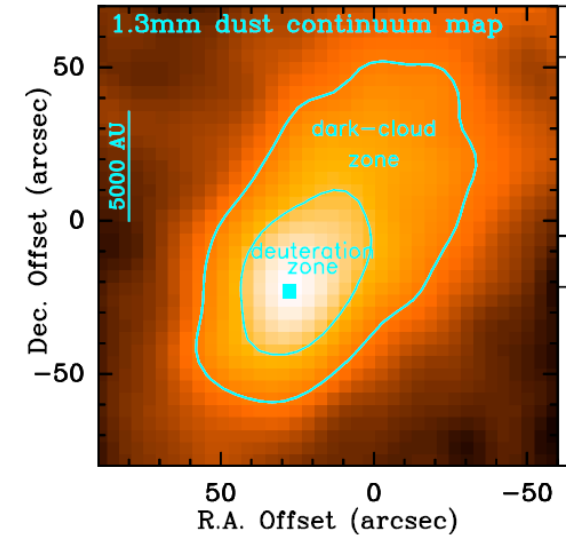
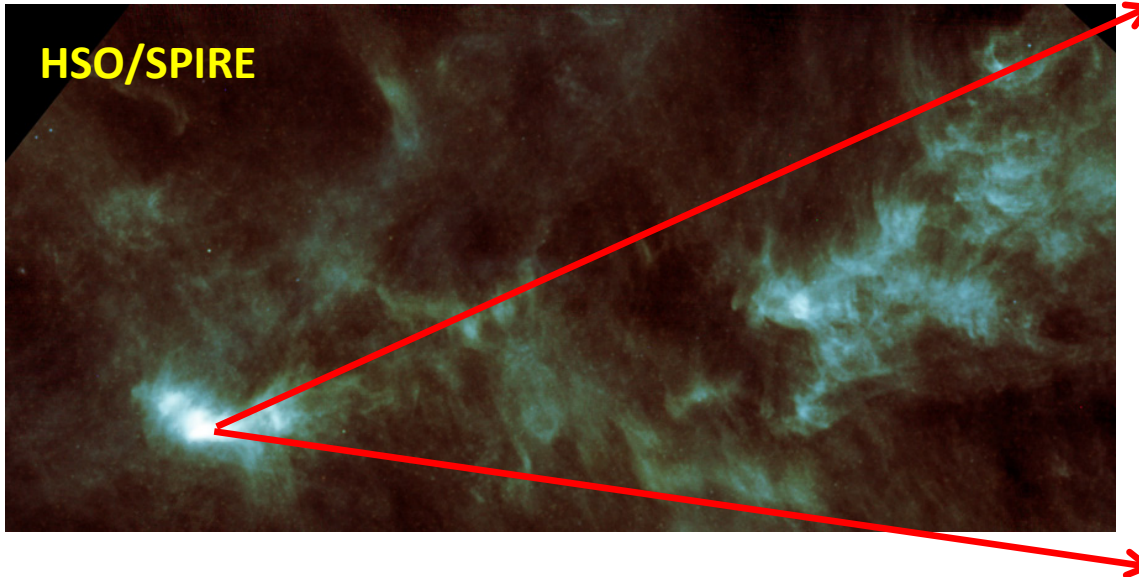


The Prestellar Phase



L1544 as prototype of prestellar cores

A prestellar core in Taurus ($d=140\text{pc}$)



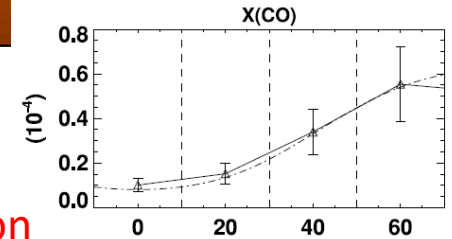
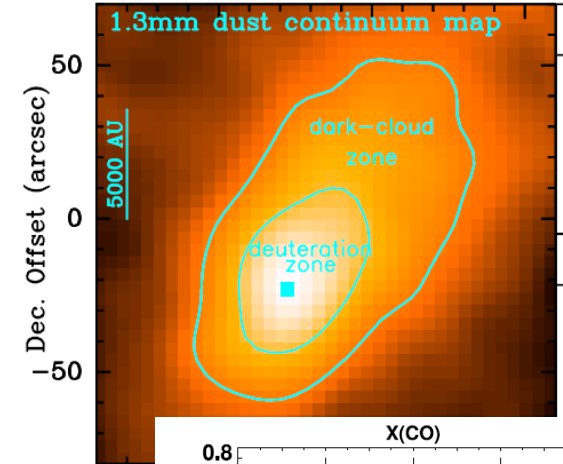
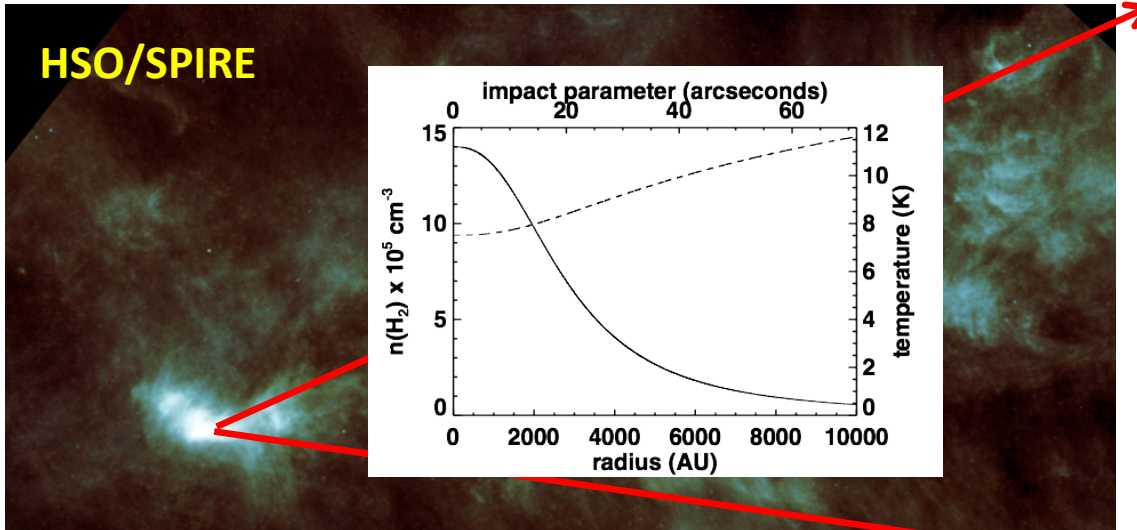
Ward-Thompson et al. (1999)



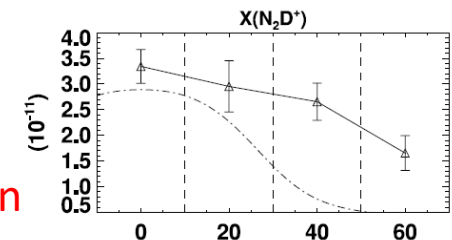
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Molecular depletion



Deuteration

Density Profile

Envelope : $n \propto r^{-2}$:

$n(\text{H}_2) = 10^3 - 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ (center : $r < 10^3 \text{ AU}$)

Temperature Profile

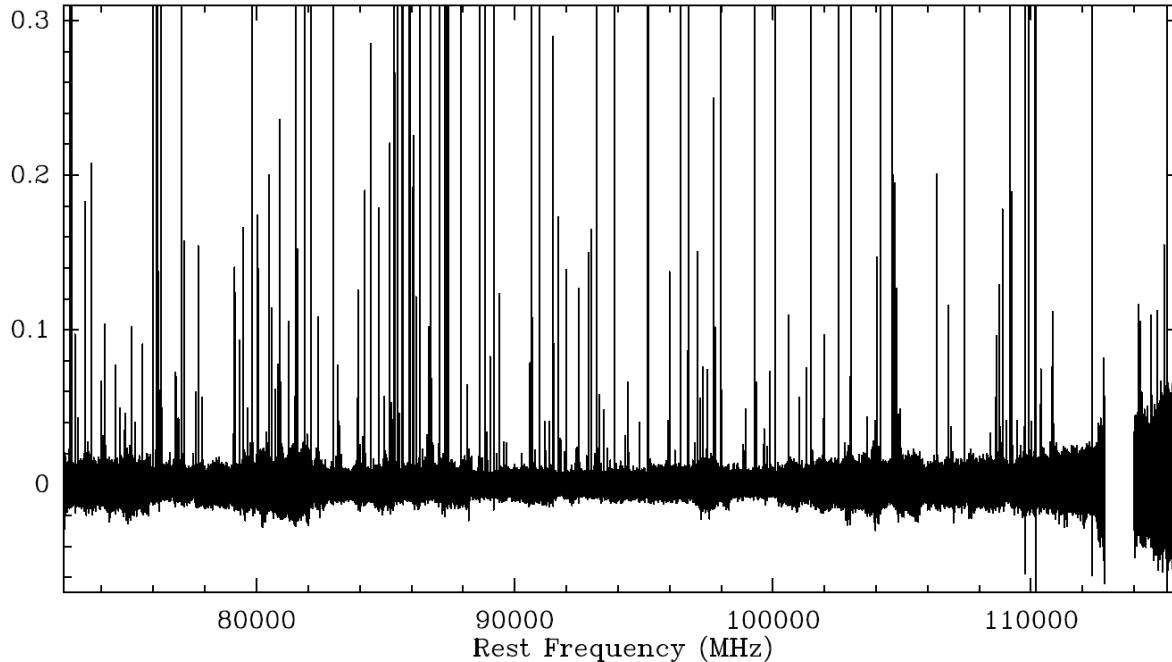
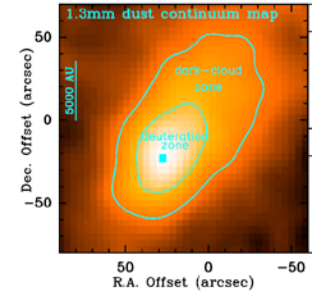
Envelope : 12K

Center : $\sim 5.5\text{-}7\text{K}$ (Crapsi 2007)



The ASAI survey of L1544

Full coverage 72 – 116 GHz 50 kHz rms : 4 – 6 mK (0.15 km/s)



$\sigma = 10 \text{ GHz}^{-1}$
C-chains
Cyanopolyynes
Deuterated species

New Molecular Species

HOCO⁺ Vastel et al. (2016),
+ hyperfine CH₂CN Vastel et al. (2015)
(stay tuned: more is coming soon)

Complex Organic Molecules:

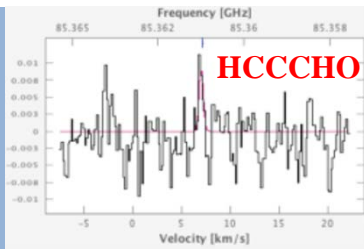
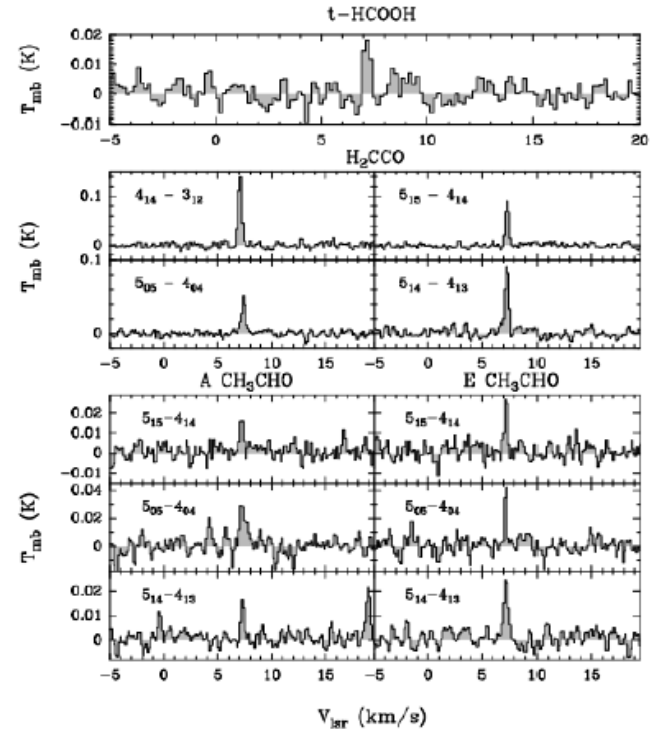
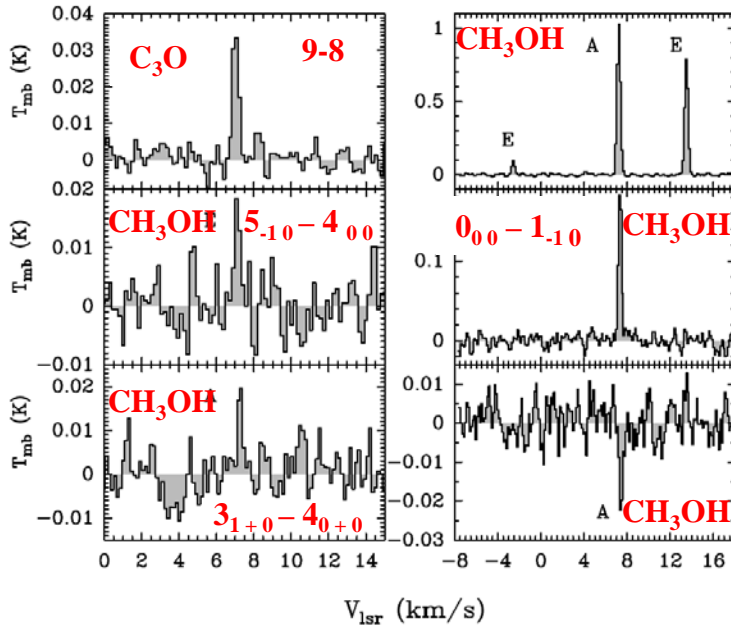
N-, C-, O-bearing

A large degree of molecular complexity degree is already present in the prestellar phase



Complex Organic Molecules in L1544

Census of O-bearing COMs



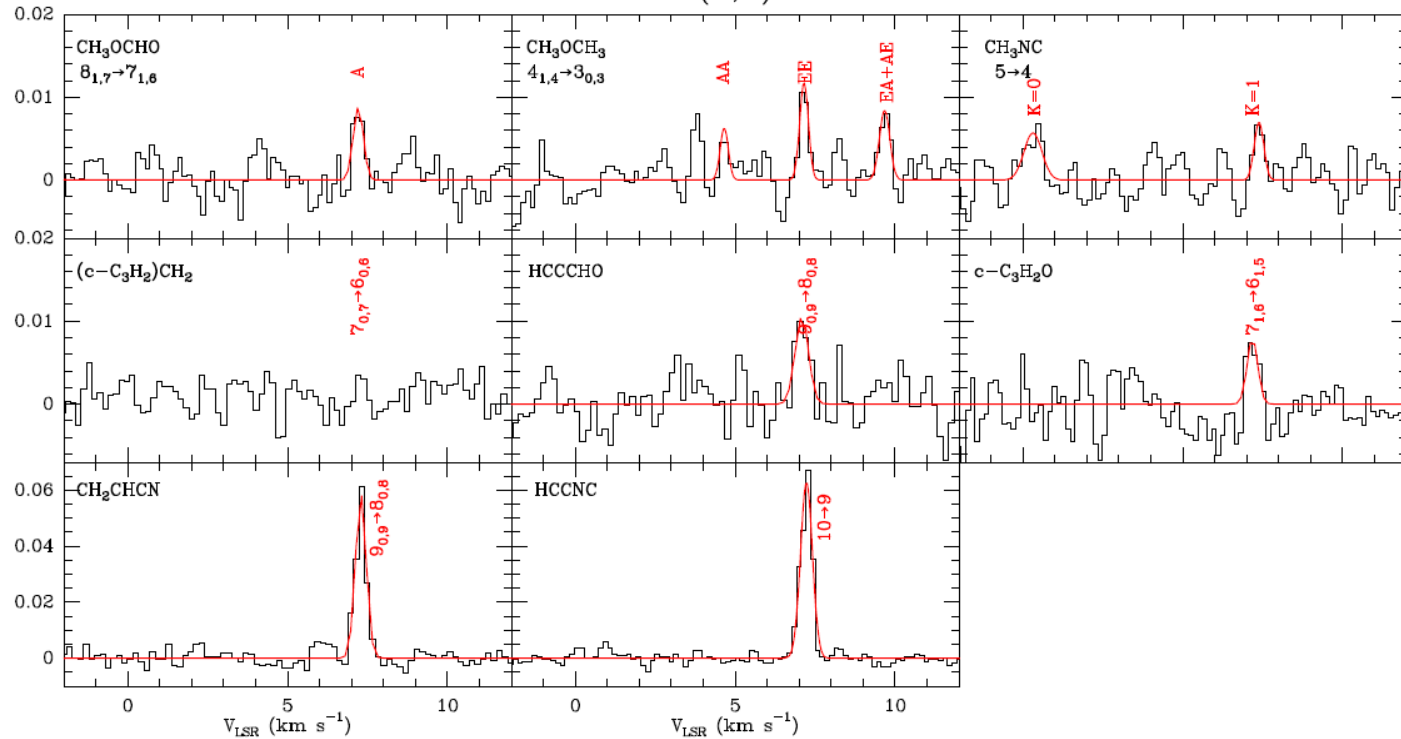
Firm detections ($> 5 \sigma$)

- CH₃OH (7)
- CH₃CHO (8)
- t-HCOOH (1)
- H₂CCO (4)
- HCCCHO (3)
- + C₃O (3), HCO(4)

$$E_{\text{up}} = 5 - 30\text{K}$$



Complex Organic Molecules in L1544



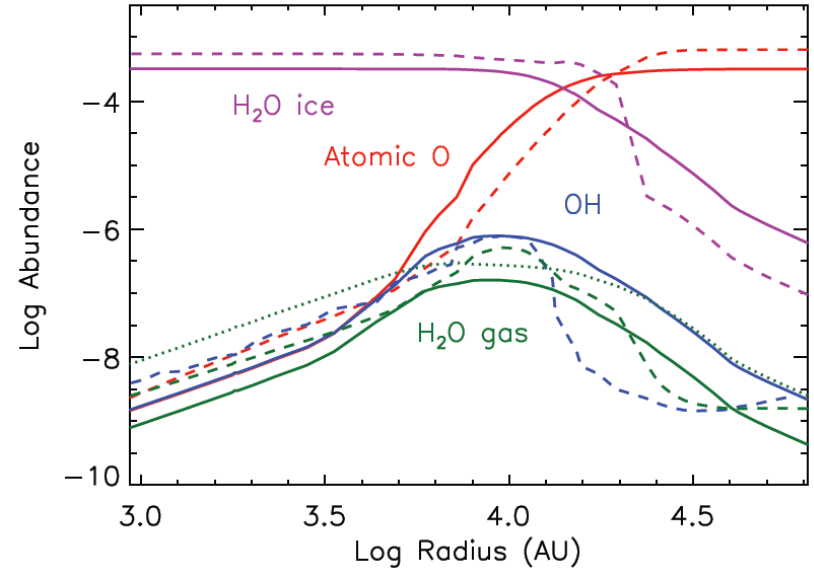
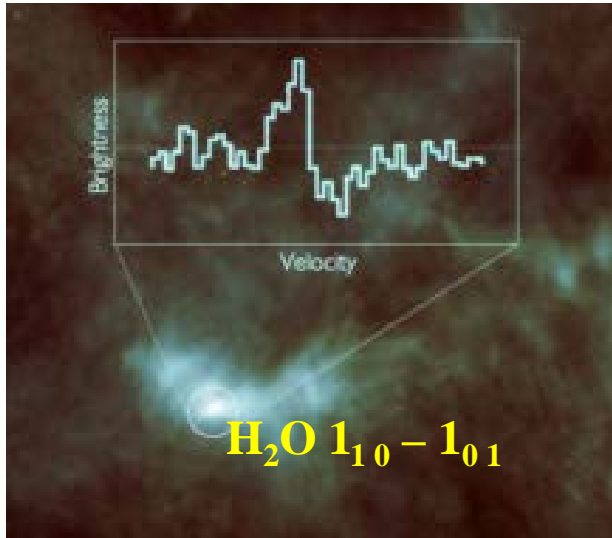
Jimenez-Serra et al. (2016)

Deeper integration (1 mK rms) : CH_3OCHO , CH_3OCH_3
+ N-bearing COMs



Water Emission in L1544

Caselli et al. (2012) Keto et al. (2014)



Gravitational contraction of the envelope

H₂O : Abundances $X_i \approx 10^{-9}$ $X_e \approx 10^{-7}$

Photodesorption of H₂O ices due to :

FUV photons in the external envelope ($r > 5000$ AU)

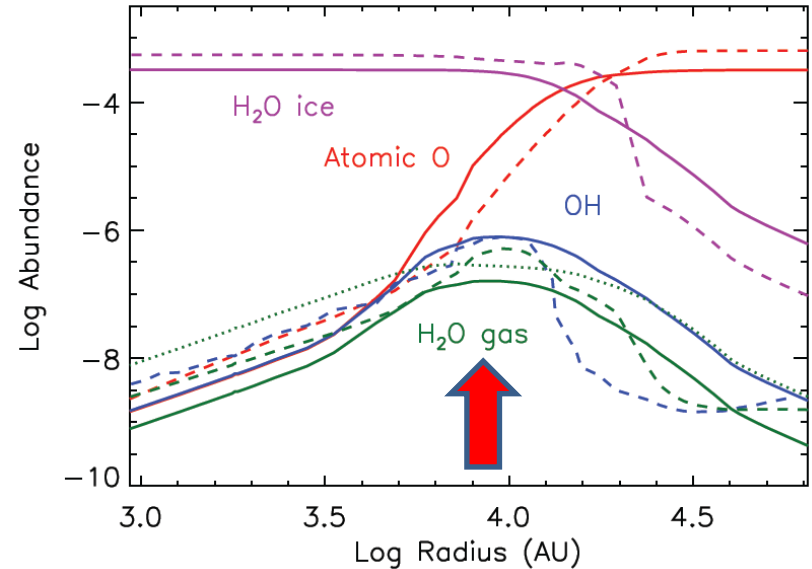
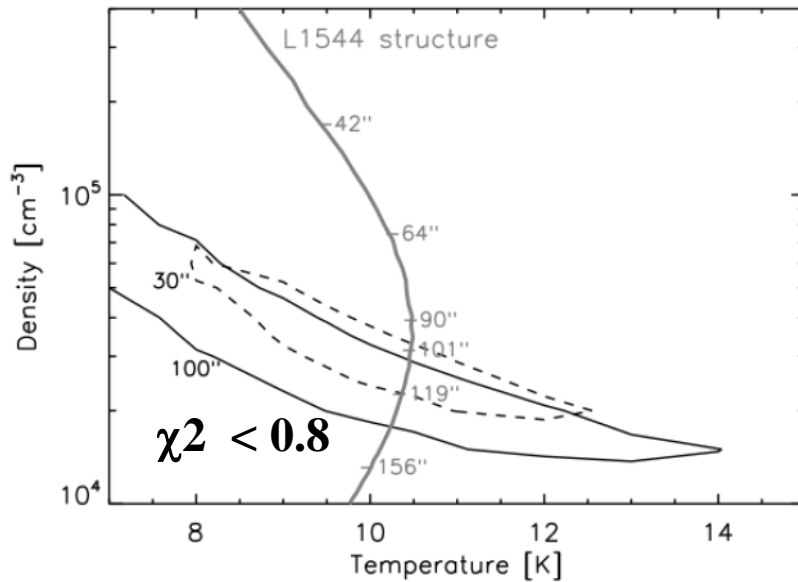
CR-H₂ interaction \rightarrow dim FUV field $\approx 10^{-3} G_0$



CH₃OH Emission

Comparison with the radial structure of L1544

(Caselli et al. 2012)



CH₃OH arises

- from the low-density, outer layers at 7000-10000 AU from the core center *Keto et al. (2014)*
- from the region of strong water ice UV-photodesorption

CH₃OH is produced in the outer layers of L1544: likely to be (photo?)desorbed from the ice mantles of dust grains



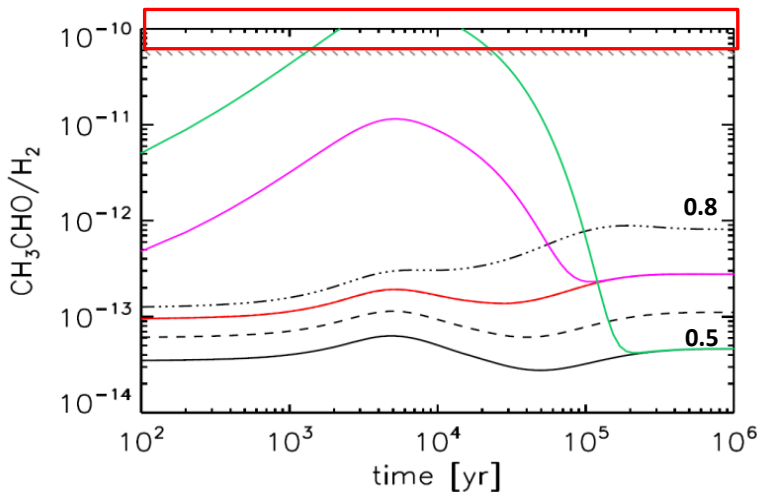
A simple model

The detection of COMs at T=10K is a challenge for models

NAHOON: time-dependent gas phase chemistry code (Wakelam et al. 2012; Loison et al. (2014))

[CH₃OH] and [C₂H₄] are increased and released in the gas phase

CH₃CHO



Non-thermal desorption of CH₃OH and C₂H₄ from grain mantles + gas phase reactions could account for the formation of some COMs *in the gas phase* : CH₃OH, H₂CCO

CH₃OH : 1(-8)

C₂H₄ : 5(-9)



Non-Thermal desorption mechanism ?

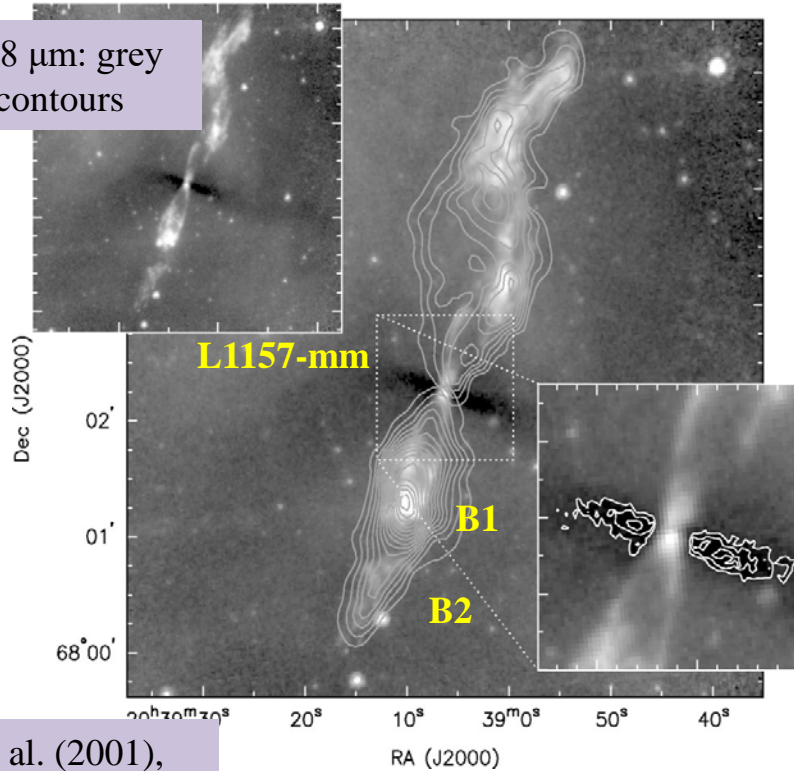
Feedback processes



Outflow Shocks

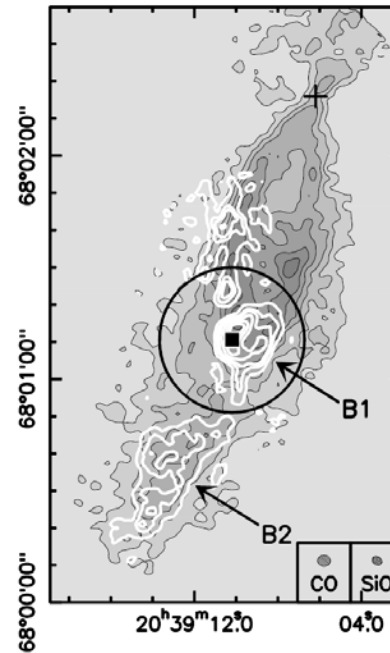


Spitzer 8 μm : grey
CO: contours



Bachiller et al. (2001),
Looney et al. (2007),
Neufeld et al. (2009)

**Outflows interact with the
parental cloud through *shocks***



Gueth et al. (1996,98)

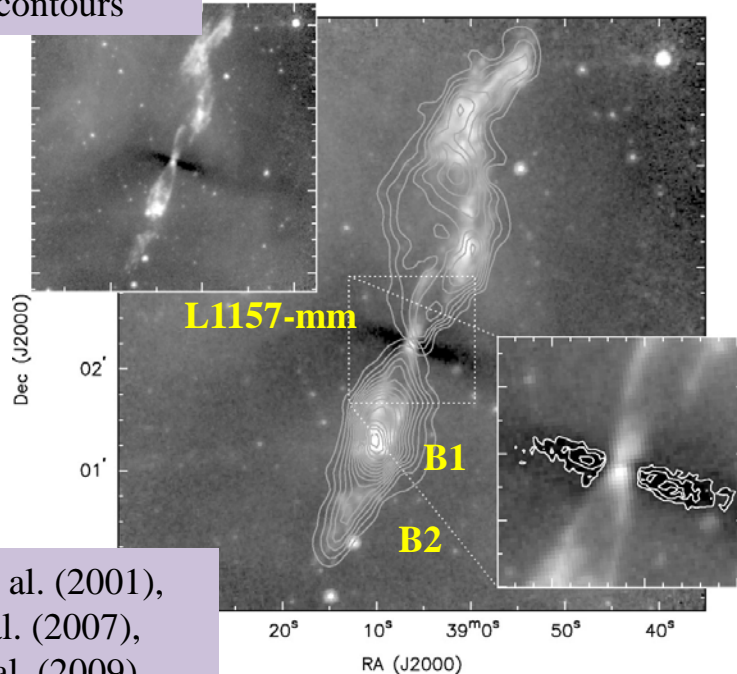
L1157 : Distance: 250 pc
Driving source: Class 0 L1157-mm ($L = 4-11 L_{\odot}$)
Precessing molecular outflow associated with several
bow shocks seen in CO and in H_2 .



Outflow Shocks

L1157 is the prototype of Chemically Active Outflows

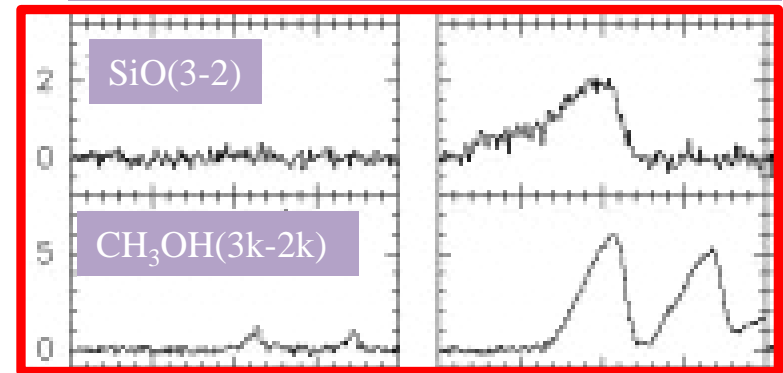
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STAR

B1



L1157-B1 : bright molecular shock

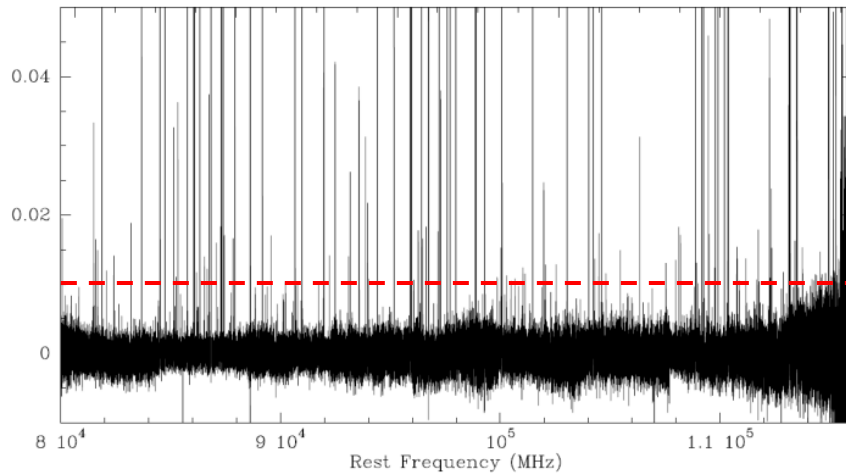
- Evidence for grain mantle/core sputtering and dust shattering : $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}/\text{SiO}$
- high-temperature gas phase reactions : HCN

Chemically active outflows are ideal laboratories to study shock chemistry.



Environmental Effects

L1157-B1 : Prototype of chemically active outflow shock (Bachiller et al. 2001)



80 – 116 GHz : $1\sigma \approx 1.5\text{mK}$
330 lines detected (3σ)
spectral line density $\langle s \rangle = 9 \text{ GHz}^{-1}$

45 molecular species identified
(+ rare isotopologues)
10% of U lines

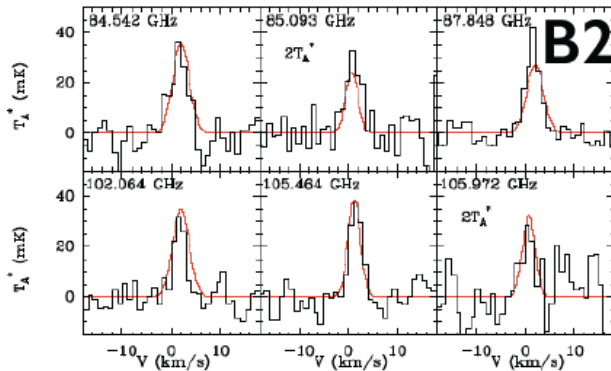
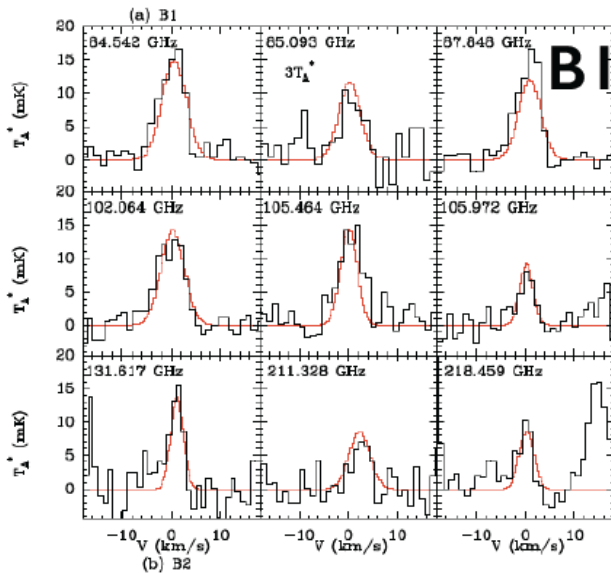
A New View on outflow shock gas
Physical conditions : n , T , ζ
pre-shock dust and gas composition

Full Census of Molecular Ions (Podio et al. 2014; Codella et al. 2014)
 HCO^+ , HOCO^+ , SO^+ , HCS^+ , N_2H^+

Cyanopolyynes : *Talk by E. Mendoza*

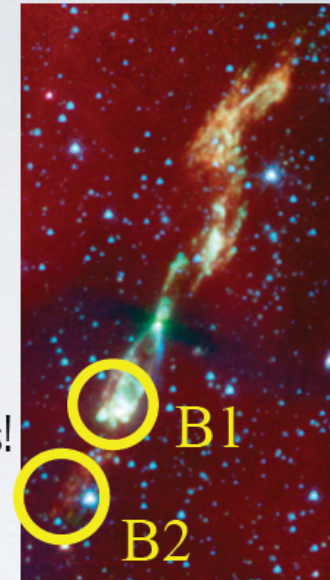


NH₂CHO around solar-type protostars



Detections:
B1: 23 lines
B2: 6 lines

$X \sim 10^{-9} - 10^{-8}$
similar to high-mass!

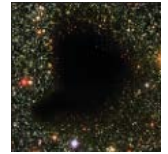
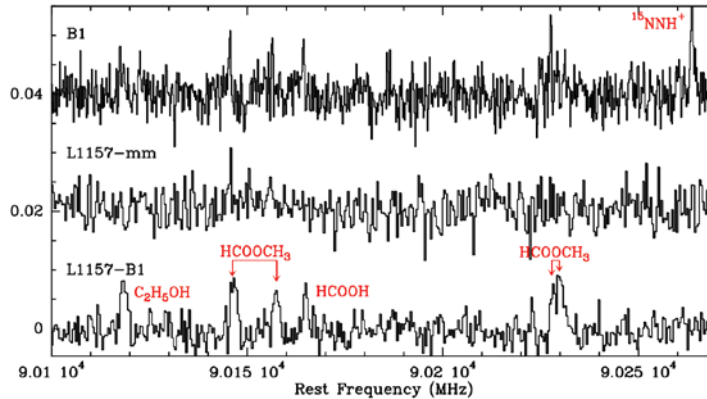


First discovery of NH₂CHO
in protostellar shocks

Mendoza et al. (2014)



COMs in L1157-B1



Species	L1157-B1	I16293in	I16293out	L1544
CH ₃ OH	1.5(-6)	3(-7)	4(-9) ?	6(-9)
H ₂ CCO	0.9(-8)	1(-10)	3(-11)	1(-9)
NH ₂ CHO	3.5(-9)	6(-10)	3(-12)	< 1(-11)
C ₂ H ₅ OH	1.7(-8)	< 5(-9)	< 0.8(-9)	?
HCOOH	0.7(-8)	< 3(-10)	< 0.8(-10)	1(-10)
CH ₃ CHO	2.9(-8)	3(-9)	1(-10)	1.6(-10)
HCOOCH ₃	2.2(-8)	0.9(-8)	0.3(-10)	7(-10)
CH ₃ OCH ₃	2.5(-8)	4(-8)	2(-10)	1(-10)

Shocks are an excellent laboratory to study COMs

- a chemical diversity comparable to hot corinos !
- Abundances are higher by x10 or more
- Mixed “cold/hot” abundance ratios...

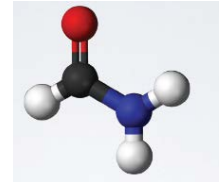
Prebiotic Chemistry



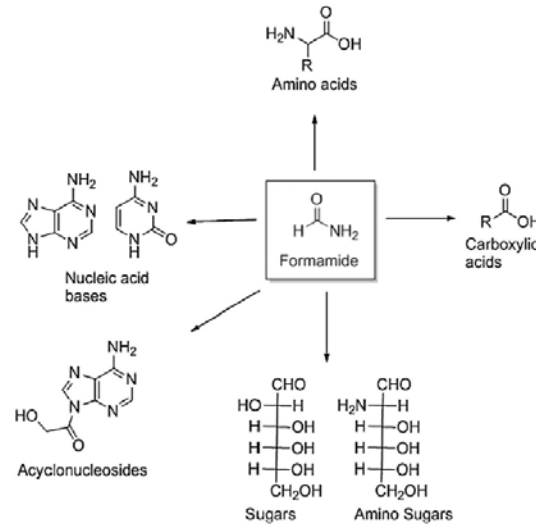
An important molecule for prebiotic chemical processes:

the simplest molecule with a peptide bond

with the four most abundant elements of biological systems: C,N,O,H



NH₂CHO could drive the synthesis of more complex, pre-biotic molecules involved in pre-genetic and pre-metabolic processes (Saladino et al. 2012; *Ferus et al.* 2015)



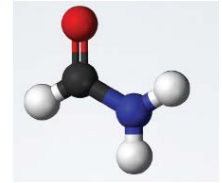
Detected in Comets: Hale-Bopp (Bockelee-Morvan et al. 2000), **81P/Wild2** (Elsila 2009):

Exogeneous delivery on Earth (Ferus et al. 2014) ?

Detected in high-mass SFRs (Bisschop et al. 2007) and **IRAS16293-2422** (Kahane et al. 2013).



NH₂CHO in solar-type SFRs



ASAI: Systematic search for NH₂CHO in solar-type environments

	Source	d (pc)	M (M _⊙)	L_{bol} (L _⊙)	Type
Not detected	TMC1	140	21	—	PSC - young
	L1544	140	2.7	1.0	PSC - evolved
	B1	200	1.9	1.9	Class 0 - early
	L1527	140	0.9	1.9	Class 0, WCCC
	L1157-mm	325	1.5	4.7	Class 0, WCCC?
Detected	IRAS 4A	235	5.6	9.1	Class 0, HC
	SVS 13A	235	0.34	21	Class 0/1
	OMC-2 FIR 4	420	30	100	IM proto-cluster
	Cep E	730	35	100	IM protostar
	L1157-B1	250	—	—	outflow shock

cold sources
 $X < \text{a few } 10^{-12}$

hot sources

Lopez-Sepulcre et al. (2015)

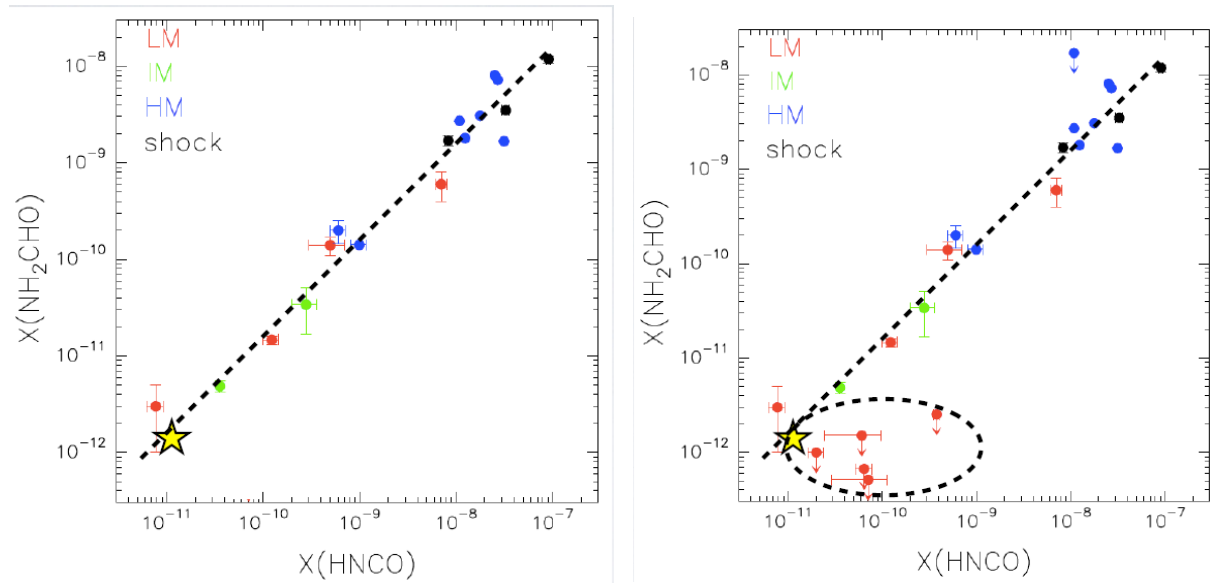
NH₂CHO is detected only in hot corino protostars and shocks.



Other Molecules with a peptide bond

Search for NH_2COCH_3 ☹️ : $X(\text{NH}_2\text{COCH}_3)/X(\text{NH}_2\text{CHO}) < 0.15$ in L1157-B1
> 1 in SgrB2 (Halfen 2011)

Search for HNC0 ☺️



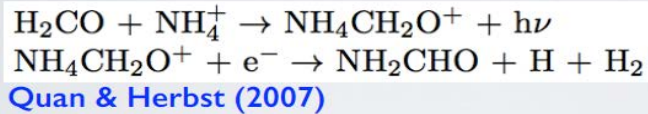
NH_2CHO and HNC0 are chemically related ($\alpha=1$)
HNC0 is *also* detected in cold sources (see Marcelino et al. 2009)



NH₂CHO formation routes

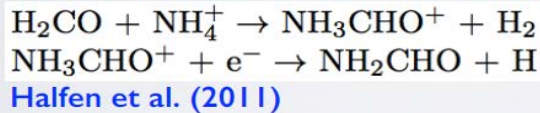
Gas Phase

- Radiative association + e⁻ recombination:



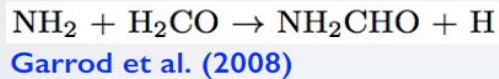
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- Ion-molecule + e⁻ recombination:



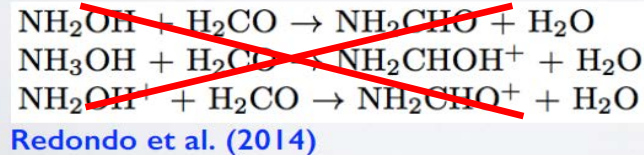
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- Neutral-neutral:



Barone et al. 2015

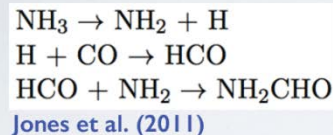
- Other routes:



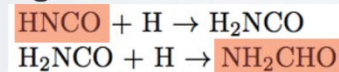
**Activation
Barrier**

Grain Mantles

- Irradiation of CO and NH₃ rich icy mantles on grains:



- Hydrogenation of HNCO on dust grains:



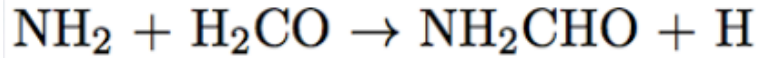
Raunier et al. (2004), Garrod et al. (2008)

**Experimentally
Inefficient
(Noble et al. 2015)**



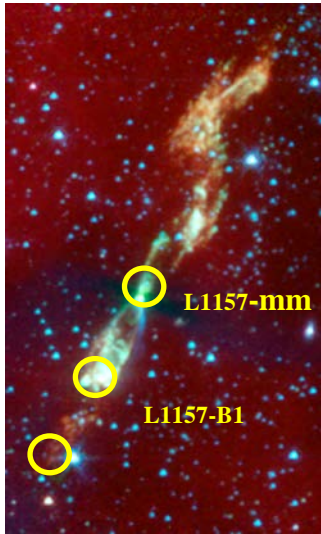
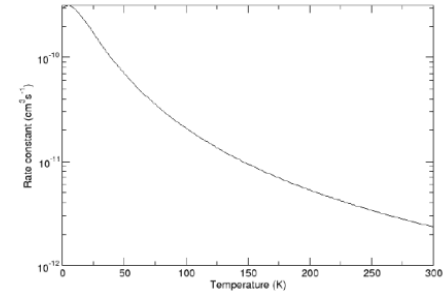
NH₂CHO formation route

Gas phase scenario



Garrod et al. (2008)

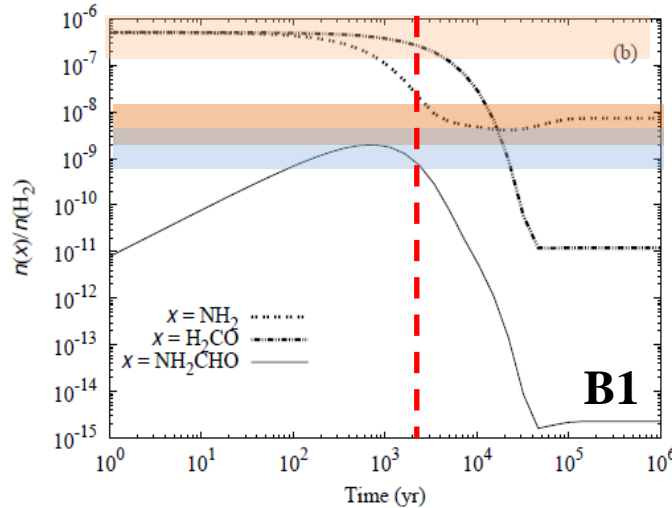
Barone et al. (2015)



Step 1 : cold cloud chemical abundances

Step 2 : Passage of the shock → increase of (n,T)

→ release of H₂CO and NH₂ in the gas



H₂CO (ASAI)

NH₂ (CHESS)

NH₂CHO (ASAI)

Reasonable agreement

L1157-B2, I16293-2422 : OK
 ((*Barone et al. 2015*))

L1157-B1 : 2000 yrs

L1157-B2 : 4000 yrs

(*Gueth et al. 1996*)



P- Chemistry in Solar-type SFRs

Phosphorus is one of the main biogenic elements CHONPS: $[P] = 3 \times 10^{-7}$

Solar system:

Ubiquitous in meteorites (Macia 2005)

Identified in comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko (Altwegg et al. 2016)



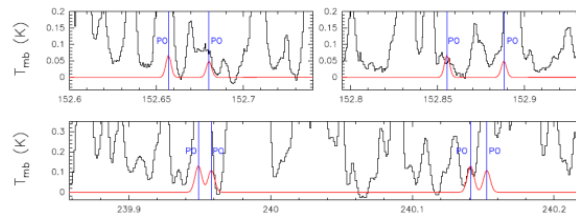
Interstellar Medium:

Thorne (1984) : *PO is the main gas phase reservoir of Phosphorus in molecular clouds ?*

Very few (sometimes uncertain) detections:

→ Evolved stars: HCP, PH_3 , CP, CCP, PO, PN (Agundez et al. 2007; DeBeck)

→ High-Mass SFRs: PN (Ziurys et al. 1987; Fontani et al. 2016),
PO (Rivilla *in press*) .

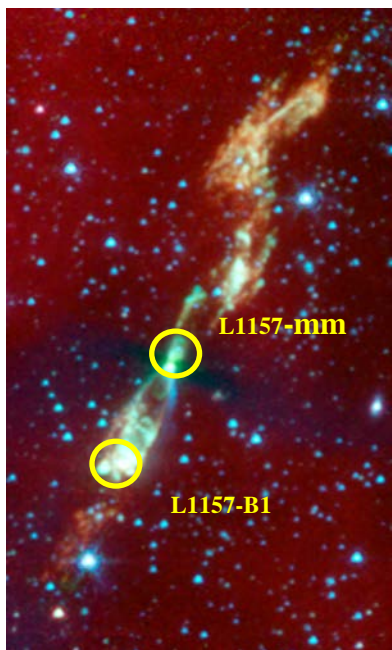




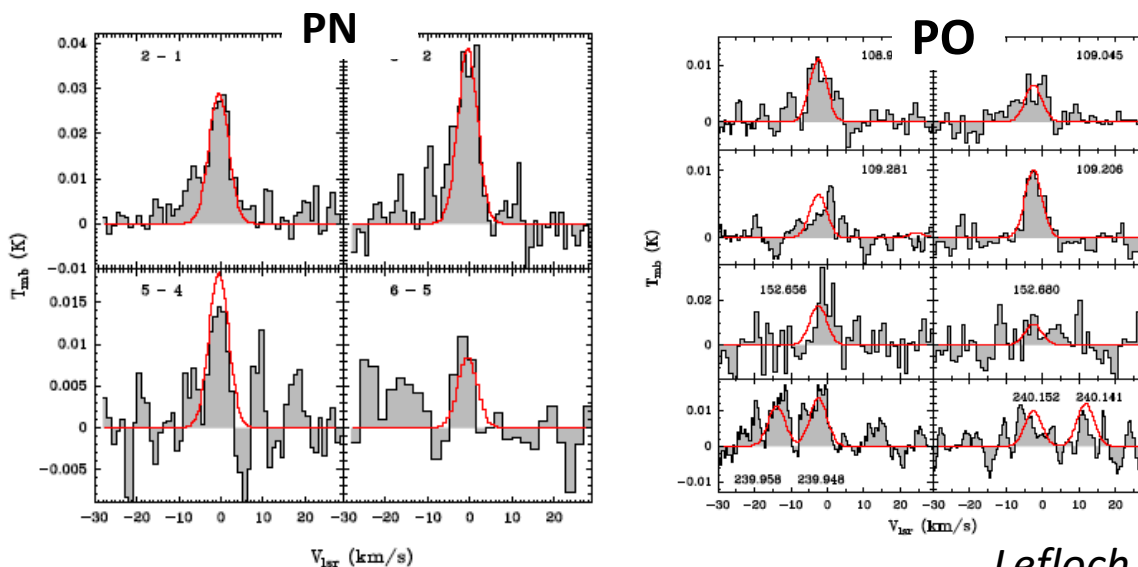
P- Chemistry in Solar-type SFRs

Systematic search for P-bearing species between 80 and 350 GHz with the IRAM 30m towards solar-type protostars and associated outflow/shocks

First detection of PO and PN in solar-type star forming region L1157



Emission from molecular-rich shock B1



Lefloch et al. (2016)

PO and PN are produced in the shock (from sputtered PH_3): PO/PN= 3

$X \sim 10^{-9}$: Phosphorus depleted by 100

Modelling (UCL_CHEM) : atomic N plays a key role in the chemistry of PO and PN

Protostars: from ASAI to SOLIS



COMs around Solar-Type Protostars



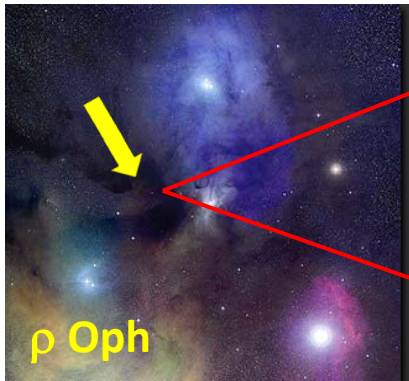
One solar-type protostar investigated in detail: IRAS16293-2422

3 mm surveys since 1994 (also interferometric): Blake et al. (1994), Jorgensen et al. (2011), Caux et al. (2011)

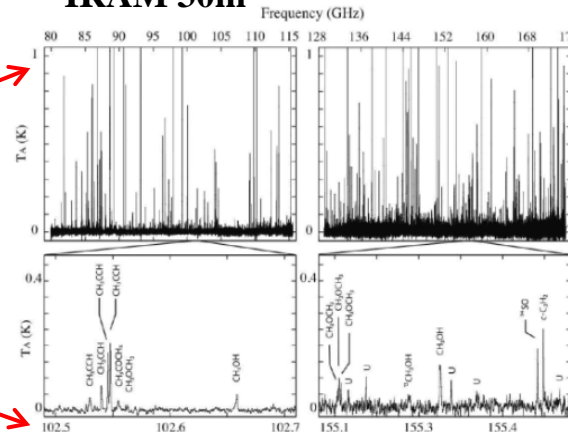
TIMASS (Caux et al. 2011): 300 hrs of telescope time : IRAM 30m + JCMT : 80 - 365 GHz : 10'' – 30''

CHESS (Ceccarelli et al. 2010): HIFI/Herschel : 480 – 1900 GHz : 10'' – 40''

IRAS16293-2422



IRAM 30m



Cazaux et al. (2003), Caux et al. (2011) Jaber et al. (2014)

Spectral Line Density :
 $s = 20 \text{ GHz}^{-1}$

1000 Lines identified
32 chemical species

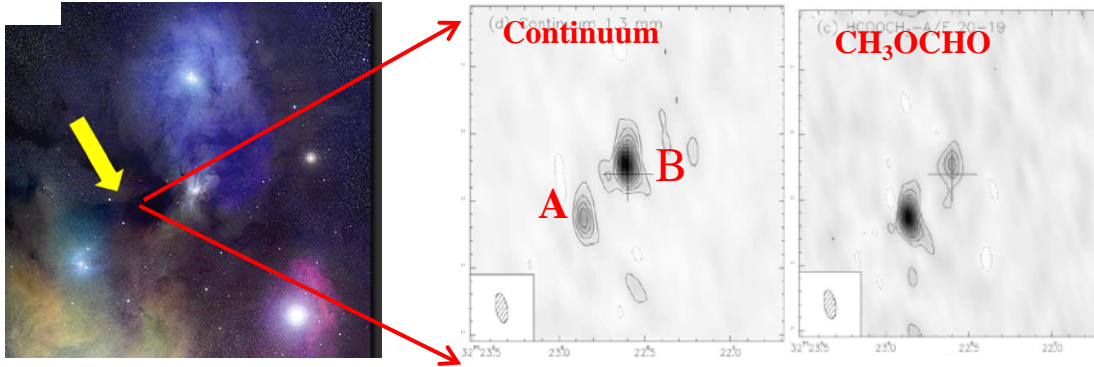
Line forest : CH_3CN , CH_3CCH , HCOOCH_3

Comparable to High-Mass SFR



Chemical Differentiation in I16293-2422

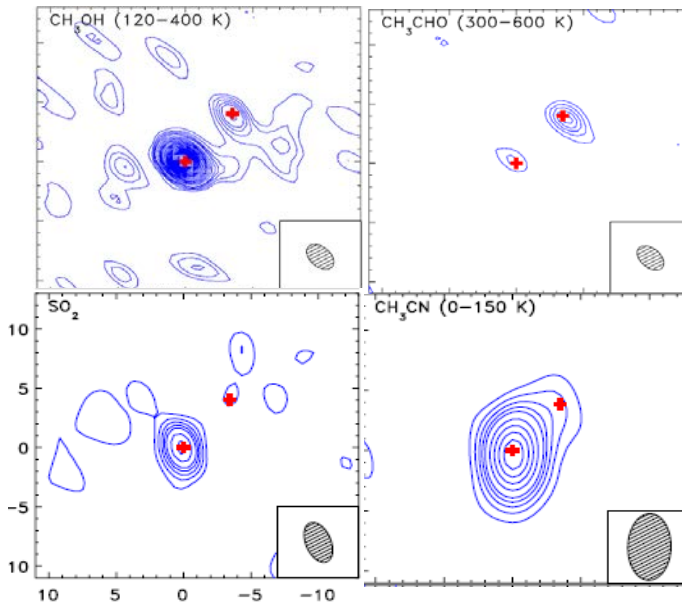
I16293, PdBI (Bottinelli et al. 2007)



A multiple system
different signatures/sources

**A rich content in COMs
in the hot corino region**

: size $\approx 1.5''$: $T_d \geq 100K$



I16293, SMA (Jorgensen et al. 2011)

2.5'' – 5'' resolution

Acetaldehyde and Ketene peak at B
S-bearing, N-bearing peak at A

Outflow influences chemistry

No significant excitation gradients

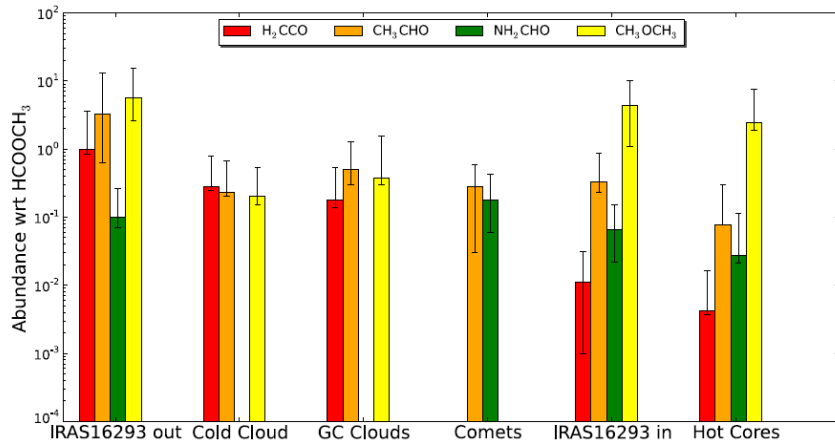
**Chemical differentiation studies will benefit
a lot from ALMA and NOEMA**



COMs around Solar-Type Protostars

IRAS16293-2422

(Jaber et al. 2014, Kahane et al. 2013, Jorgensen et al. 2012)



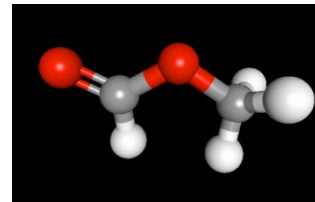
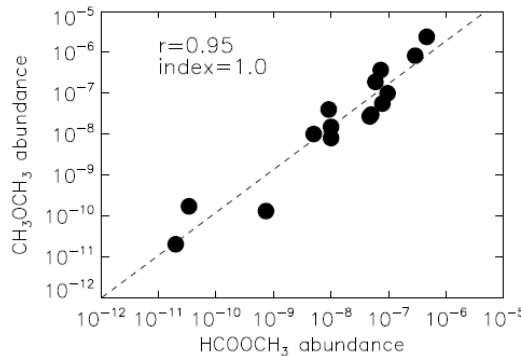
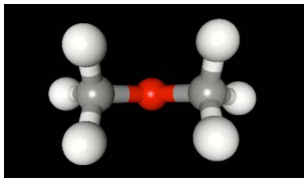
A rich content in COMs and pre-biotic material

H₂CCO, CH₃CHO, NH₂CHO, HCOOCH₃,
CH₃OCH₃, CH₃CN, *HOCH₂CHO*
(E_{up} < 150K)

Two components:

Hot corino (T_d ≥ 100K) : X = 1(-9) – 1(-8)
Cold envelope : X = 3(-12) – 2(-10)

Ketene/Methyl Formate : Cold / Hot objects

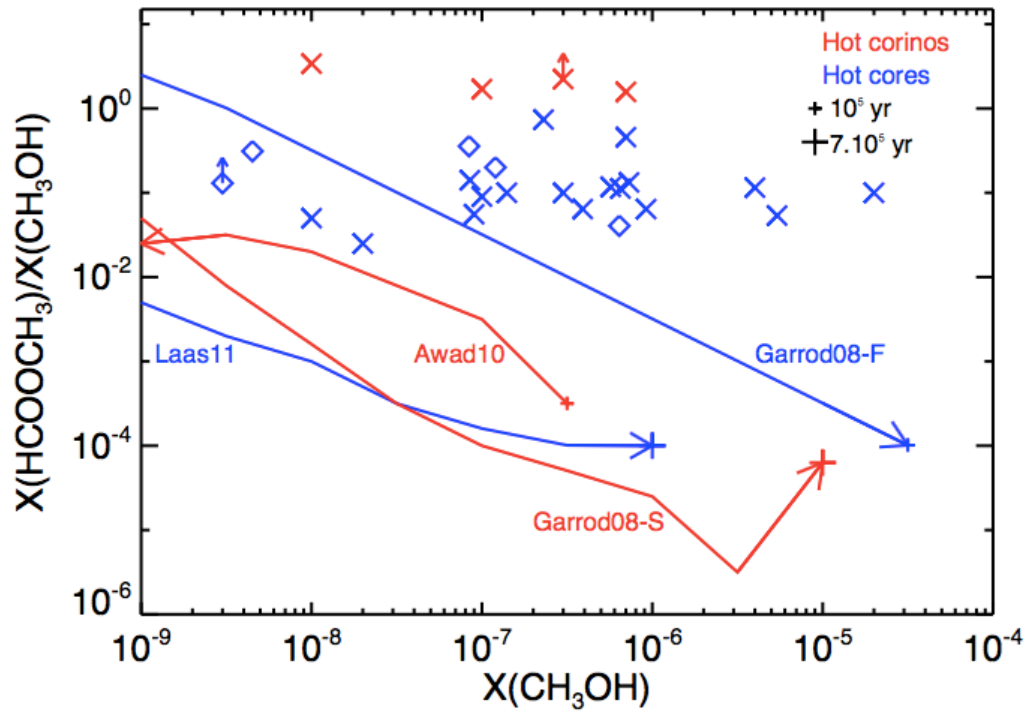


Correlation between species abundant in Hot objects

Tight linear correlation between MF and DME



Formation of MF and DME ?



Models (<2012) are unable to reproduce the observed abundances

Taquet et al (2012)

Are they synthesized through gas phase chemistry or at the icy surface of grain mantle?



SOLIS

<http://solis.osug.fr>



First Galactic Large Program with NOEMA

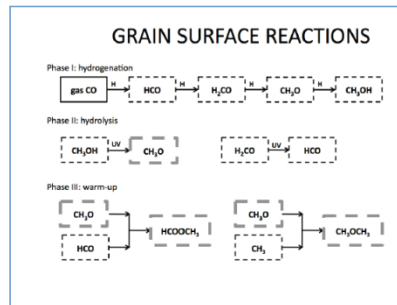
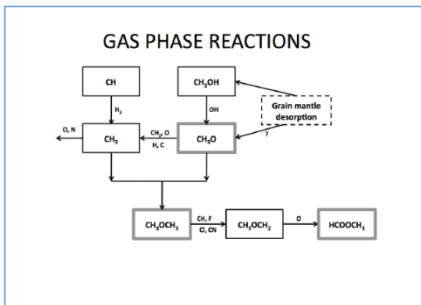
375 hrs - PIs : C. Ceccarelli (IPAG) & P. Caselli (MPE)
Summer 2015 – 2017

(1) Understanding organic chemistry in space and (2) how it evolves during the process of formation of Solar-type systems are the two complementary goals of the proposed project, SOLIS.

Observing COMs down to 0.3'' resolution (40AU) in ASAI sources

- prestellar to evolved protostars (cold/warm gas/dust)
- environmental conditions (shocks, UV radiation)

Five "key" COMs : CH_3O , CH_3OH , CH_3OCH_3 , HCOOCH_3 , NH_2CHO

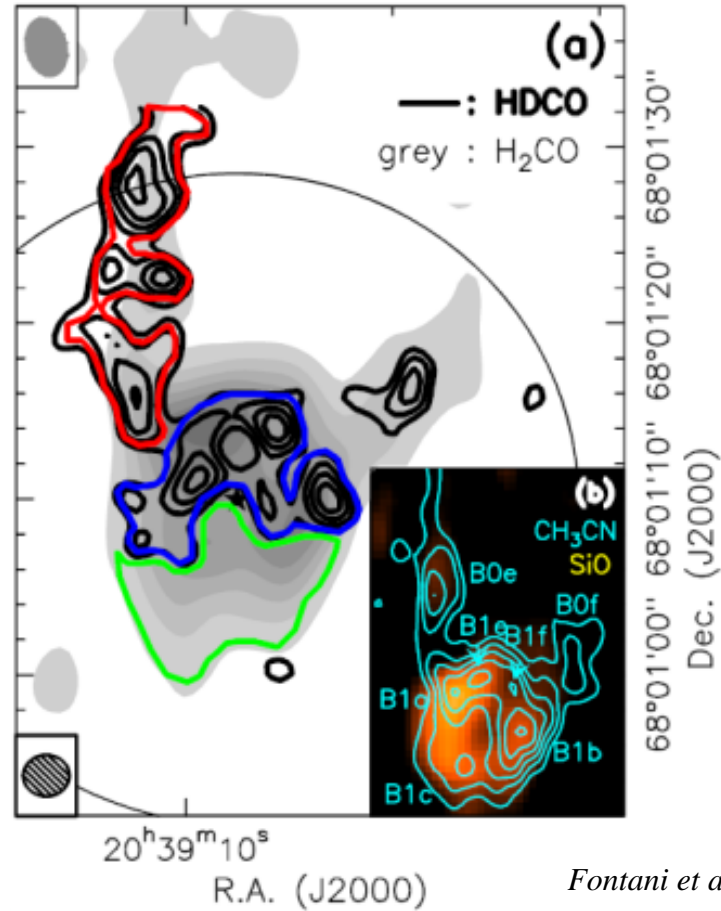
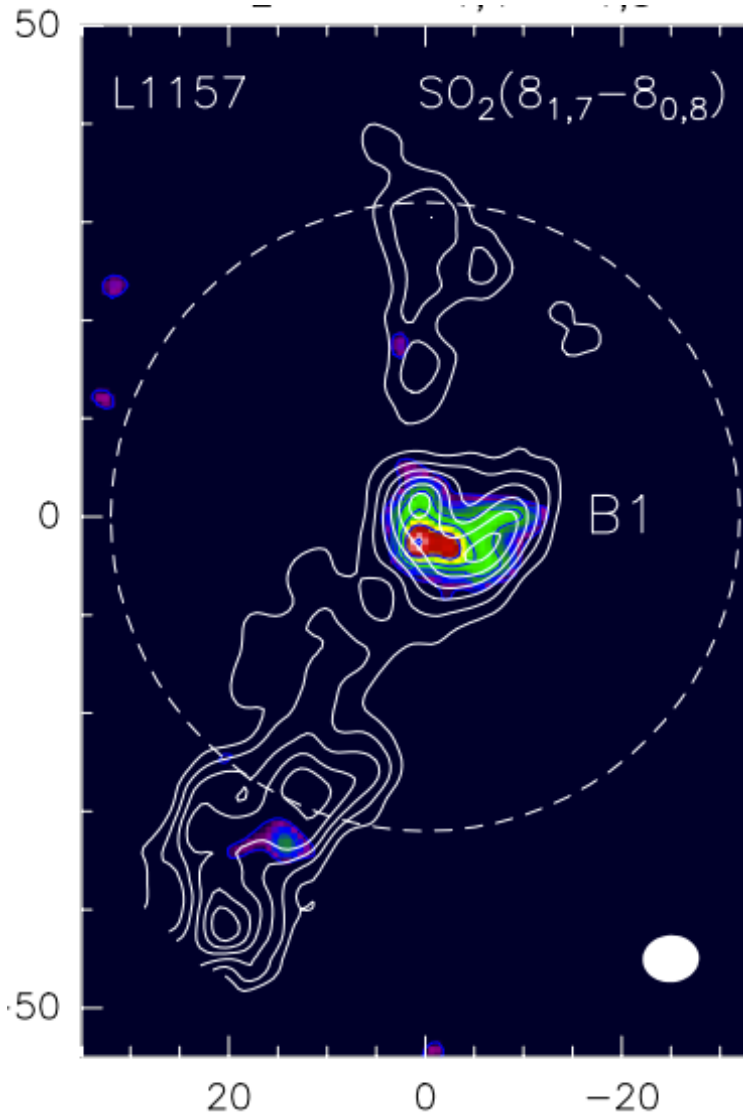


Abundance maps of COMs in each source

- Test gas phase vs grain surface chemistry
- Assess formation/destruction routes
- Desorption mechanisms : UV/CR/thermal



New insight from SOLIS



Fontani et al. (2015)

Conclusions

ASAI illustrates the power of unbiased line surveys

- New molecular species were detected : NO^+ , p- CH_2CN , PO, PN.
- 10% of U lines in the database : more to come !
- Families of chemically related species are evidenced: DME/MF, $\text{NH}_2\text{CHO}/\text{HNCO}$, ...
- More work is needed to establish their formation routes: SOLIS

Molecular Complexity:

- is present to a wide degree in the prestellar phase. A scenario combining non-thermal desorption of simple species on icy mantles + subsequent gas phase reactions is proposed
- is widespread (enhanced) by feedback processes such as shocks

Many results to come out in the next months !

SOLIS is taking over: we will map the distribution of COMs at excellent sensitivity level down to x10 AU scale

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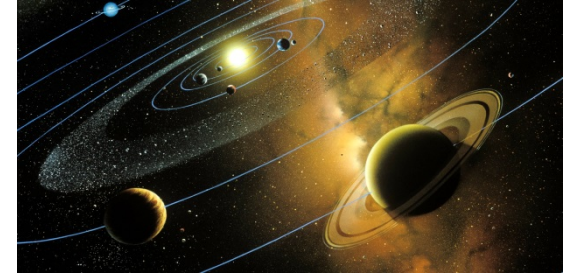
Beyond ASAI

Molecules in Meteorites and Comets

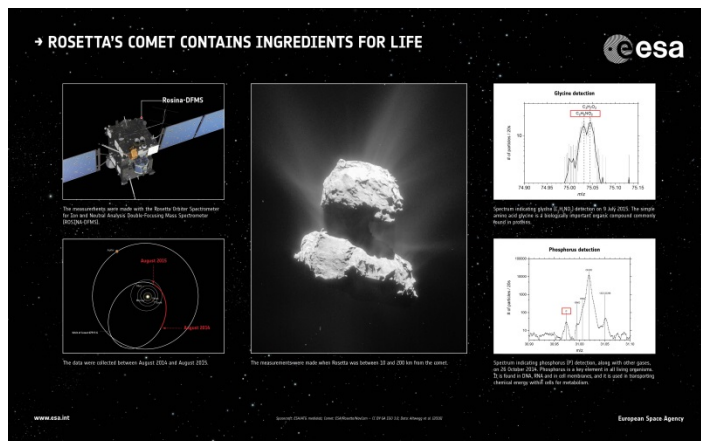
Meteorites and Comets

More than **80 amino acids** were found in meteorites on Earth, with specific isotopic composition and racemic distribution: extraterrestrial origin (Botta & Bada 2002)

+ several other classes of organic compounds: carboxylic acids, , alcohols, amines, amides, ...
High D fractionation ratio.



Stardust: glycine ($\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$) and amines were detected in samples returned from comet 81P/Wild 2 (Elsila, 2009) *despite evidence for terrestrial contamination*



Altwegg et al. (2016)

Glycine detected in the coma with Rosina

→ UV photochemistry of CH_3NH_2 and CO_2 ice on grain mantles (e.g. Bossa 2010) ?

→ Gas phase formation in the ISM ?



COM Properties

Species	Tex (K)	N (cm ⁻²)	X
C ₃ O	10	2(11)	5(-11)
CH₃CHO	17 ± 1	5(11)	1(-10)
t-HCOOH	10	5(11)	1(-10)
H ₂ CCO	27 ± 1	5(12)	1(-9)
HCCCHO	12 ± 1	2.7(11)	7(-11)
E-CH ₃ CCH	11 ± 2	2(13)	5(-9)
CH ₃ OCH ₃	11	1(12)	1(-10)
HCOOCH ₃	4	≤ 6(12)	7(-10)
CH₃OH	10	3(13)	6(-9)

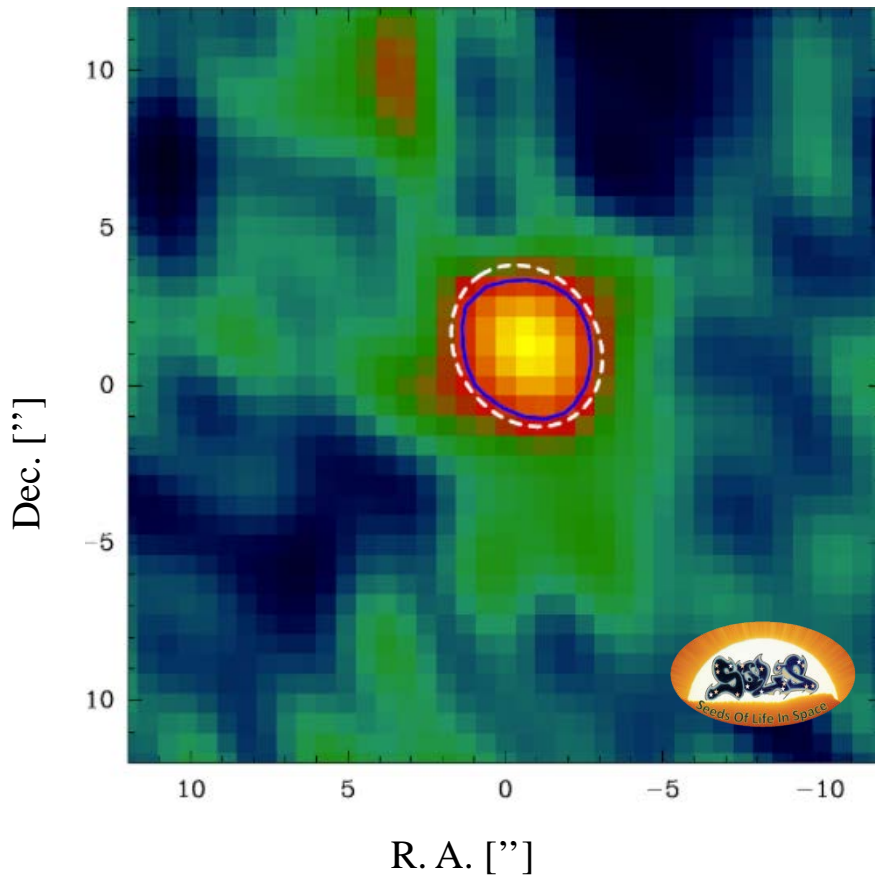
Excitation and physical conditions are similar to those of CH₃OH

The emission of Complex Organic Molecules probably arises from the same region as CH₃OH and H₂O

Seeds Of Life In Space (SOLIS)

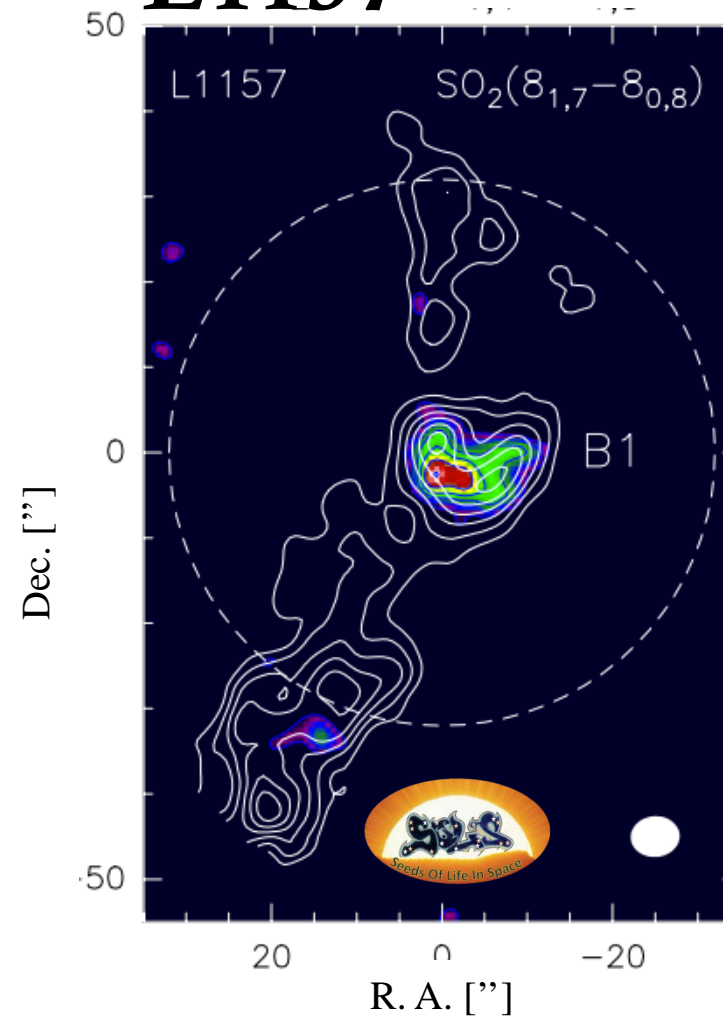
Formamide NH_2CHO (prebiotic molecule)

IRAS 4A



Lefloch et al. (in prep.)

L1157



Codella et al. (in prep.)

IMS chiral molecule: propylene oxide ($\text{CH}_3\text{CHCH}_2\text{O}$)

McGuire et al. (2016)

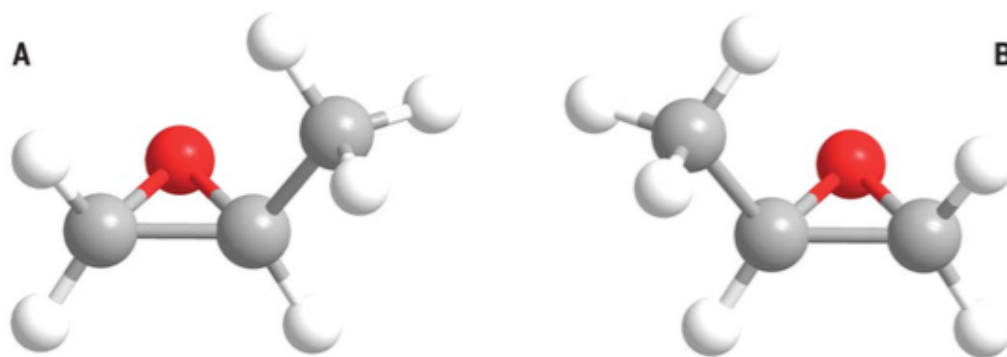
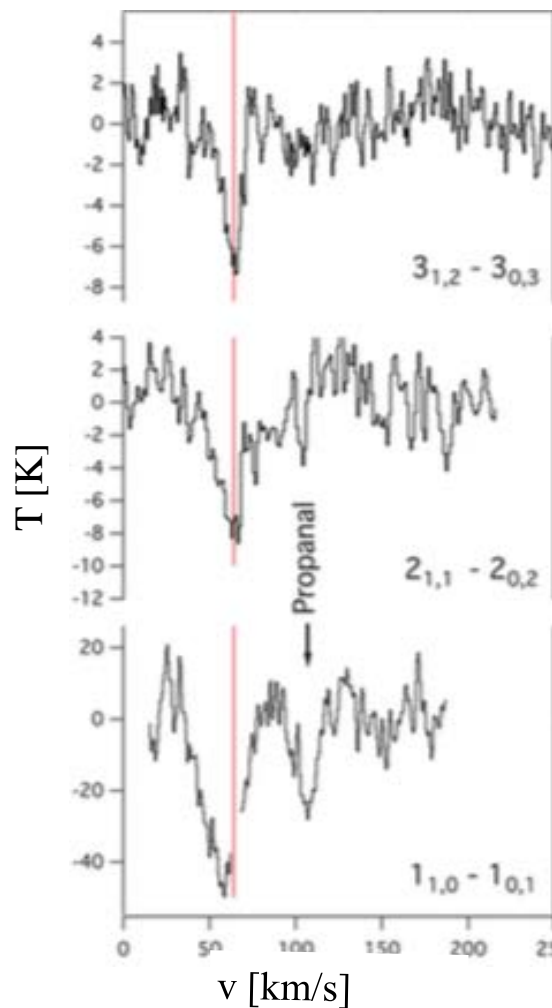
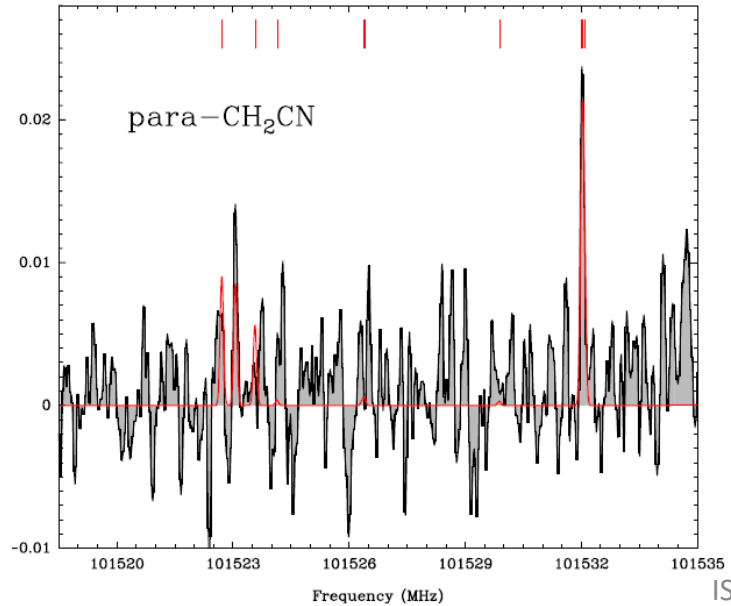
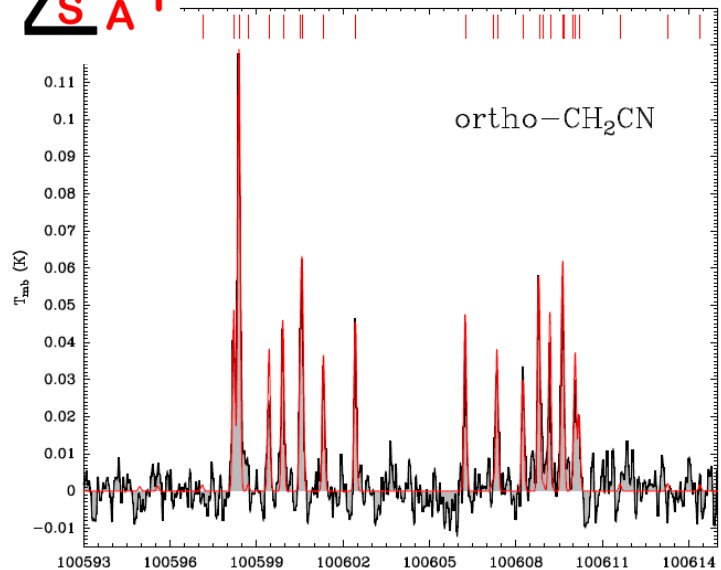


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of *S*-propylene oxide and *R*-propylene oxide. (A) *S*-propylene oxide. (B) *R*-propylene oxide. Carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen atoms are indicated by gray, small white, and red spheres, respectively.

amino acids are chirals (*S*-form)!



The Hyperfine Structure of CH₂CN



U Lines at 106 GHz ?

Vastel, Yamamoto, Lefloch, Bachiller (2015)

Full hyperfine transition series of CH₂CN identified in L1544

LTE analysis :

Tex = 10 – 12K

X(CH₂CN) ≈ 10⁻¹² to 10⁻¹¹

OPR = 1

Dark cloud : TMC1 : X ≈ 10⁻⁹

A tracer of chemical evolution ?



WCCC protostars

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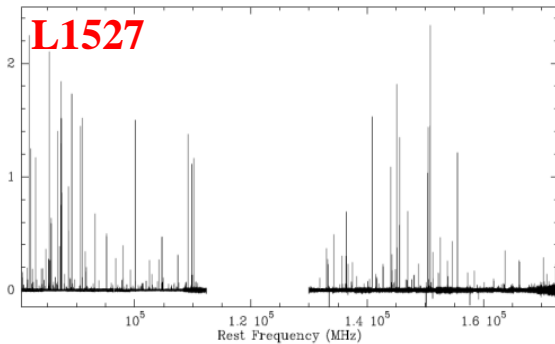
Early-type protostar (Class 0/I)

Complex Organic Molecules in the cold envelope

CH_3OH , H_2CCO , CH_3CHO , HC_2CHO (propynal), CH_3CN : seen in I16293

$\text{c-H}_2\text{C}_3\text{O}$, $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{CN}$: not seen in I16293

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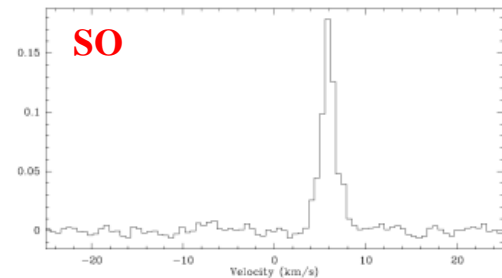
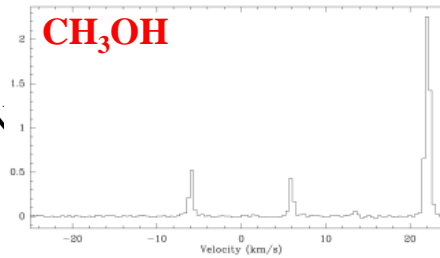


Strongly differs from hot corino

Two class of line profiles :

narrow ($< 1\text{km/s}$) : COMs

broad ($> 1.5\text{ km/s}$) : SO, CH_3CN





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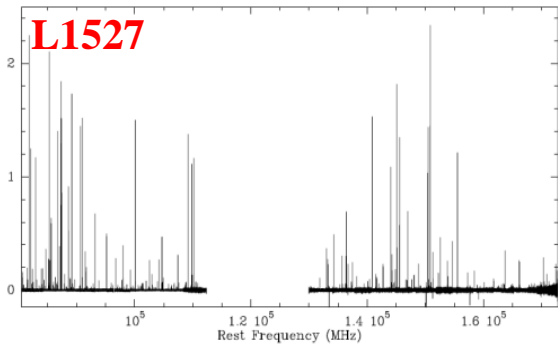
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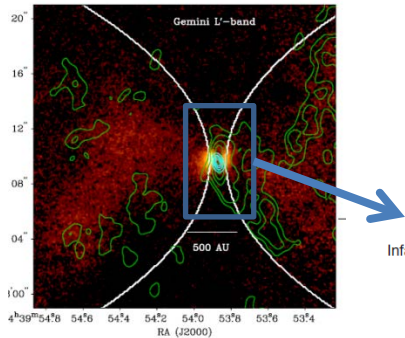
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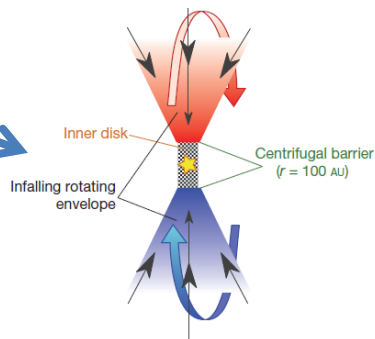


ALMA (0.6'' resolution)

Chemical differentiation at the centrifugal barrier



Sakai et al. (2014)



- SO and CH_3OH emission at the centrifugal barrier, in the disk?
- $c\text{-C}_3\text{H}_2$ in the envelope