

# Organic gas incorporation in ice studied by inelastic Raman scattering and X-ray diffraction

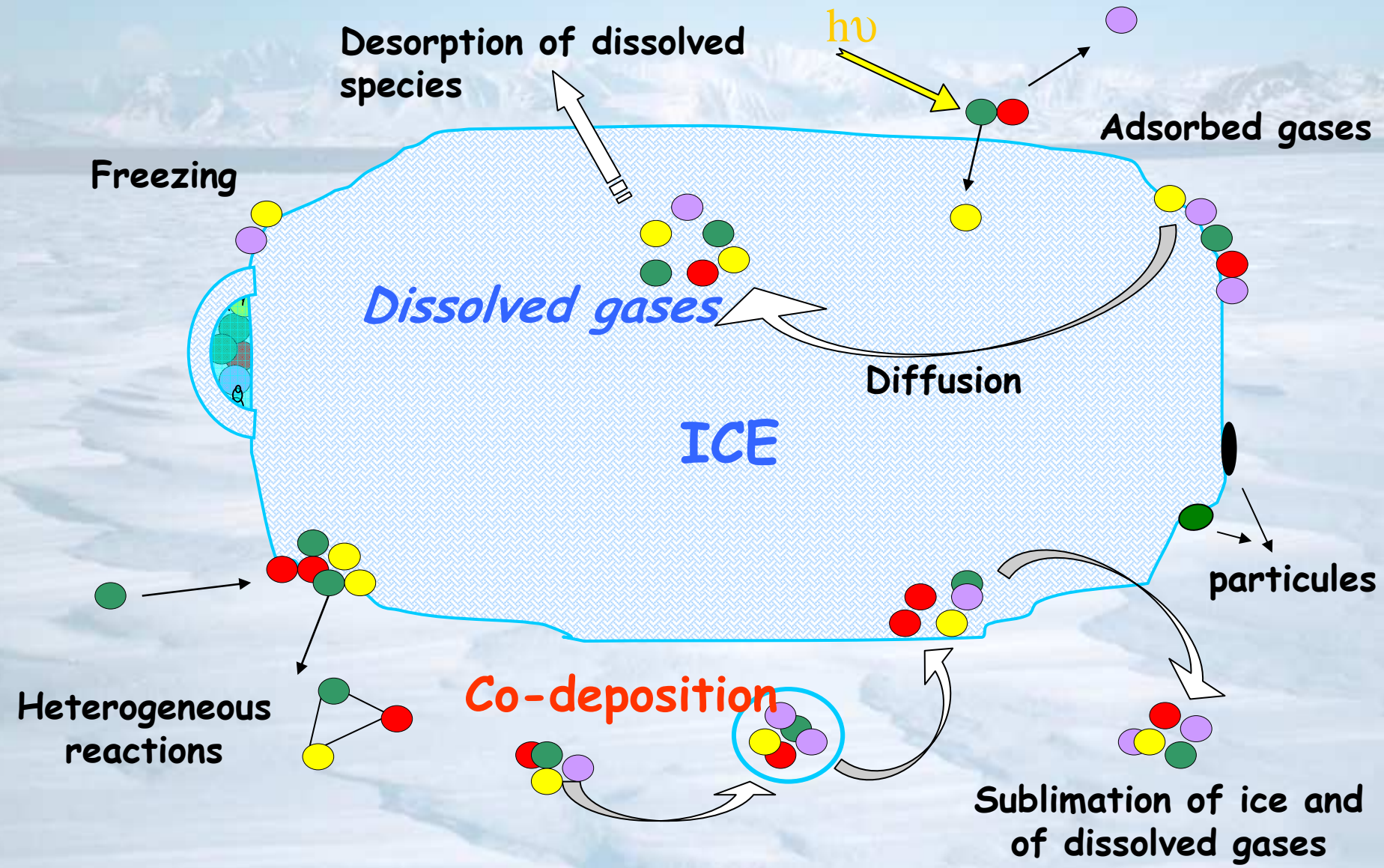
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# Different incorporation mechanisms at gas-water interface



## Atmospheric chemistry implications

-Stratosphere: acids ( $\text{HNO}_3$ ,  $\text{HCl}$ , etc) interact strongly with surfaces of ice particles (PSC clouds): formation of various hydrates, heterogeneous reactions  $\rightarrow$  Ozone destruction during winter in polar stratosphere

-Troposphere:

-ice particles in cirrus clouds (cover 30% Earth's surface) and ice from snowpack

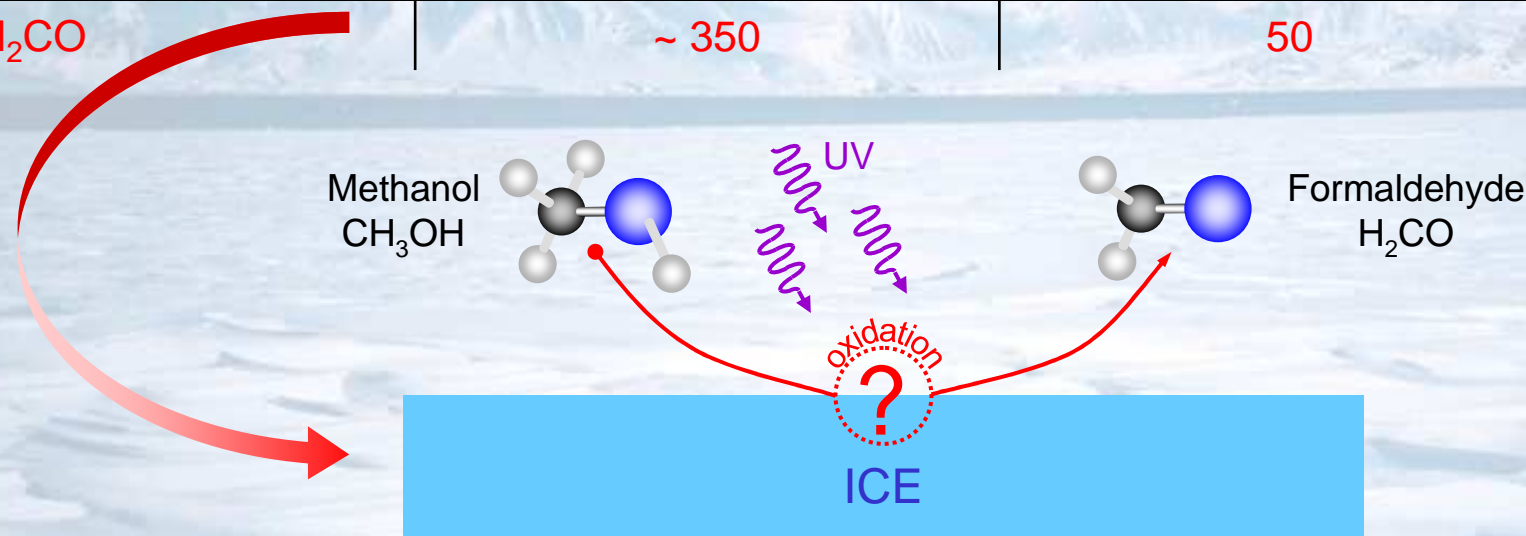
-Presence of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) in Troposphere (Singh et al., *Nature* (2001). Interaction of VOC with ice ?

--> Adsorption on ice ( $\Delta H_{\text{ads}} \sim -60$  kJ/mol), Sokolov & Abbatt *JPC A* (2002), Winkler et al., *PCCP* (2002), Peybernès et al., *JPC B* (2004) consistent with H-Bonds formation (strength  $\sim 20$  kJ/mol) with water molecules at the surface

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- In upper troposphere : correlation between high  $H_2CO$  and  $CH_3OH$  concentration (Jaegle *et al.*, *J. Geophys. Res.* **105** (2000) 3877-3892)

Species	Concentration obs. (pptv) Gas phase	Model prediction (pptv) Gas phase	Ratio
$H_2CO$	~ 350	50	x 7



- In snowpack:

Species	Concentration Measured (pptv)	Model prediction Gas phase (pptv)	Ratio
$H_2CO$	200	70	x 3
$CH_3CHO$	80	40	x 2
$NO_x$	25	1	x 25
HONO	20	1	x 20

( A.L. Sumner *et al.*, *Atmos. Environ.* **36** (2002) 2553-2562 ; S. Perrier *et al.*, *Atmos. Environ.* **36** (2002) 2695-2705)

Needs for investigations of other incorporation mechanisms !

## Astrophysics

- Close problematic of gas incorporation but at lower  $p$  and  $T$  !
- Interstellar medium : Ice possesses a high capacity for capture of gases (ex:  $H_2CO$ ,  $CH_3OH$  etc...) and there exists possibility for ice to reject them in different temperature ranges (lower  $T^\circ$  and  $P$ )
- Sequestration of gases by condensation have potential interest in order to understand the evolution and history of comets

→ Importance to study how gaseous species are incorporated in ice  
→ Which structures it forms when incorporated

## Objectives:

- Study the co-deposition of a VOC and water i.e. which structure it forms
- How gas and water partitioned in ice : concentration ?



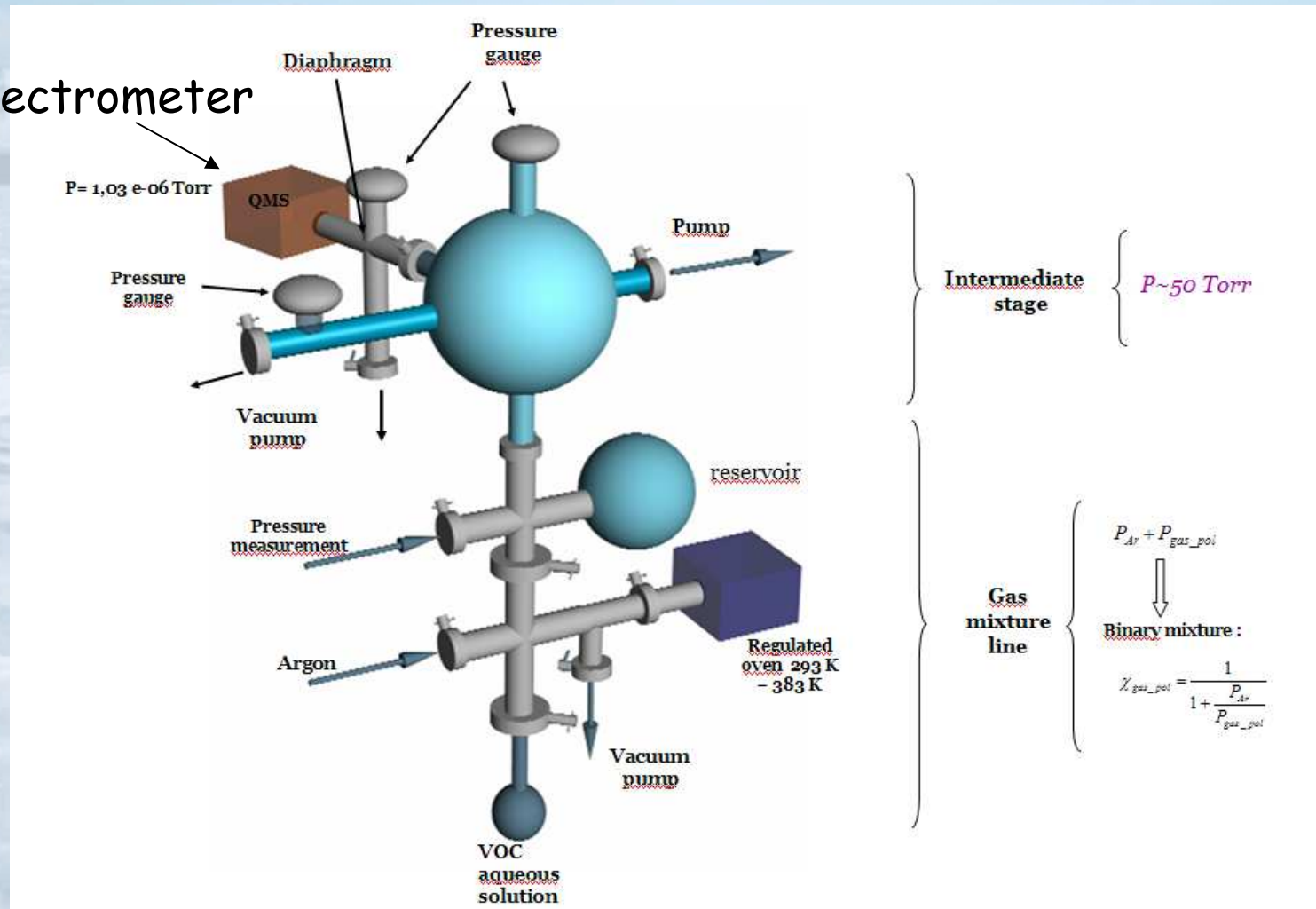
- o Determination of the nature of the solid phases formed by co-condensation or separate condensation (crystalline, amorphous, hydrates, separated phases ect., ) by Raman spectroscopy, X-ray diffraction
- o Determination of the [VOC]
- o Attempt to answer more fundamental questions concerning gas-ice interactions in condensed thin films

Protocol: control of the gas phase concentration before deposition  
→ collection of the gas phase above aqueous solutions at equilibrium

water/formaldehyde

# Experimental set-up developed for quantitative gas phase analysis

Mass spectrometer



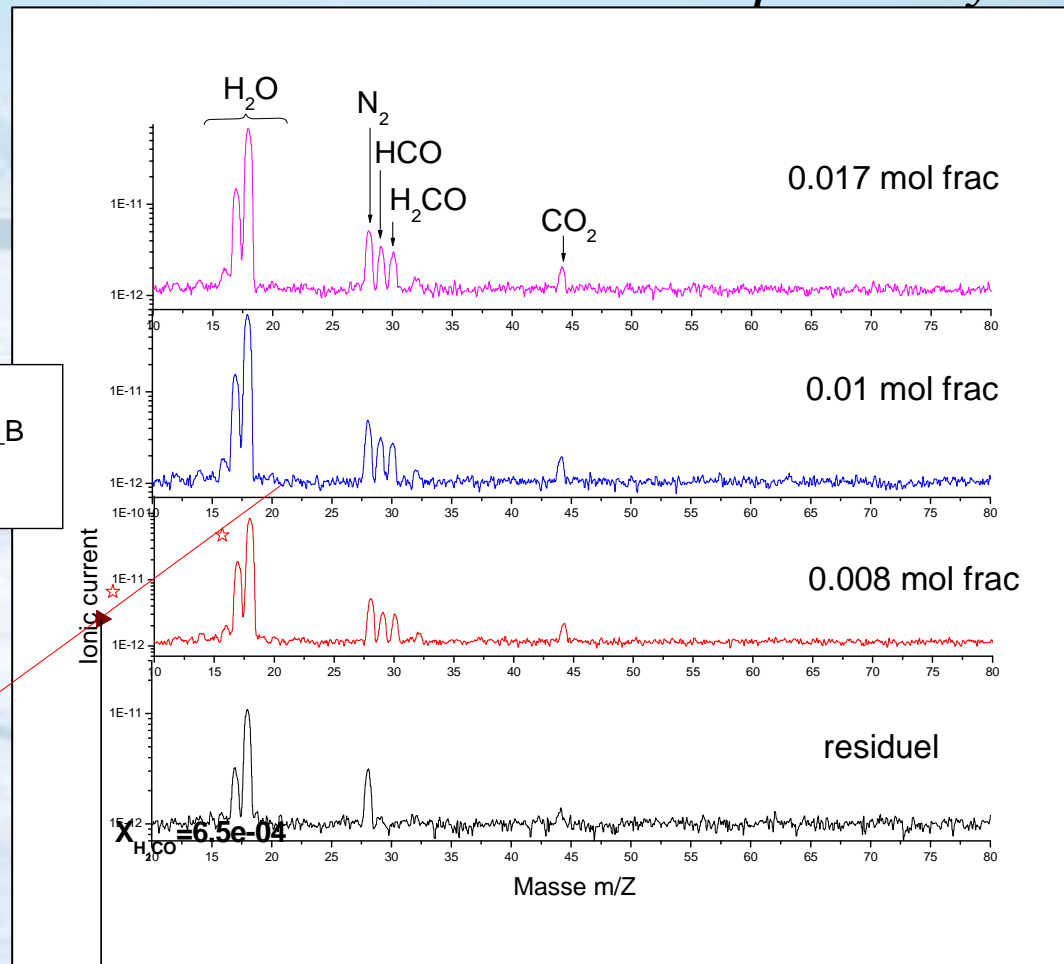
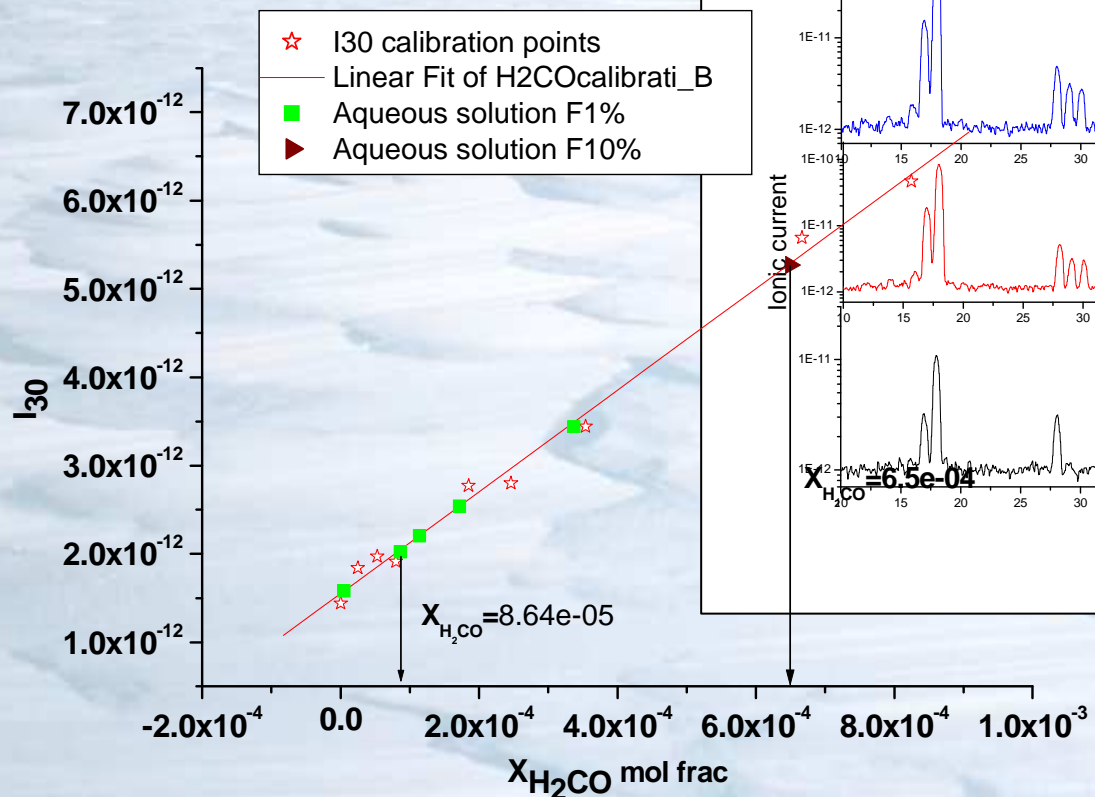


Gas collected above aqueous solutions of H<sub>2</sub>O:H<sub>2</sub>CO

Mass spectrometry

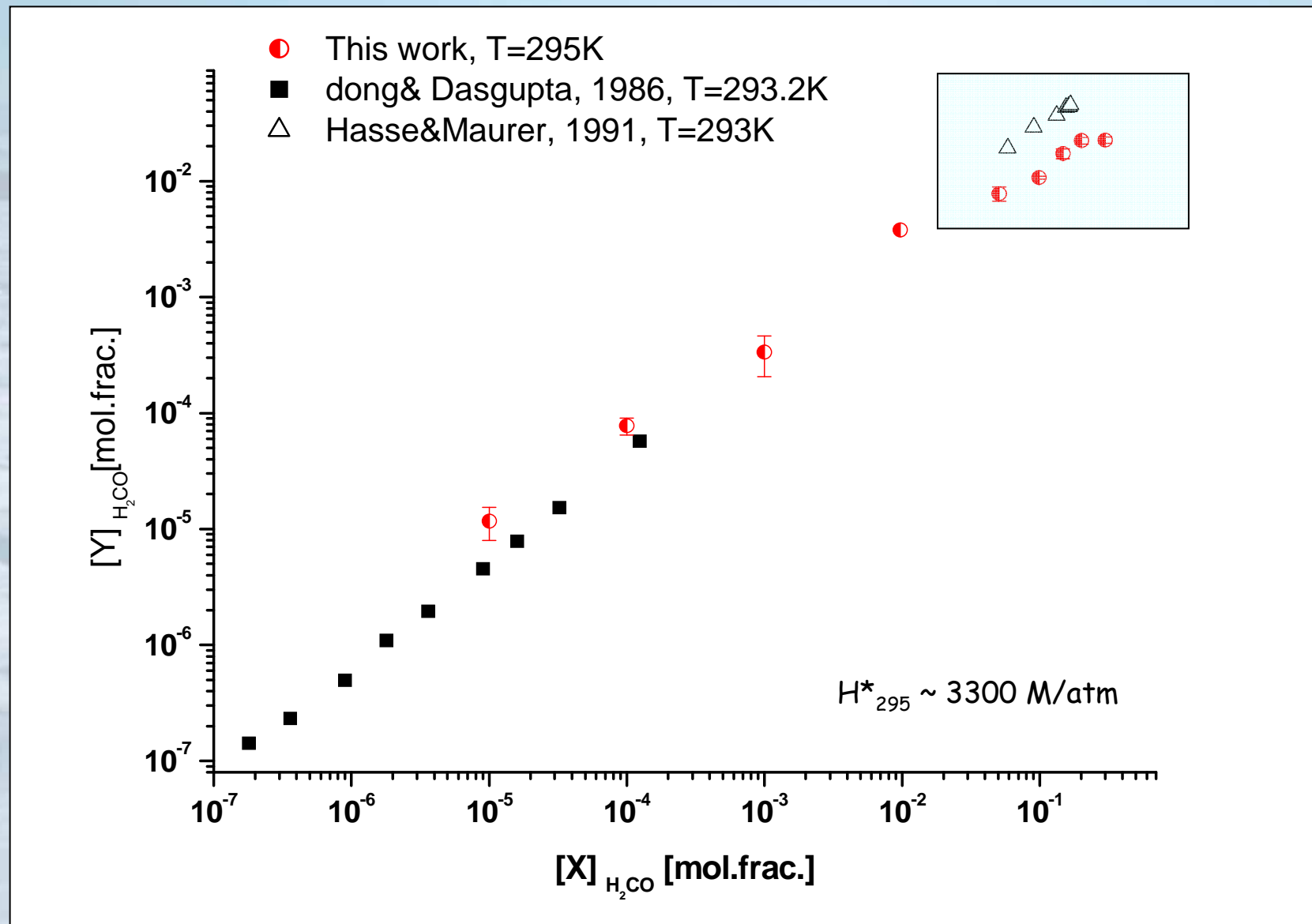
Gas Phase: H<sub>2</sub>O+ H<sub>2</sub>CO

Liquide Phase:  
oligomers (HO(H<sub>2</sub>CO)<sub>n</sub>H)



*M<sub>48</sub> (HOCH<sub>2</sub>OH) absent*

## Cross calibration using Mass Spectrometry and IR absorption technics



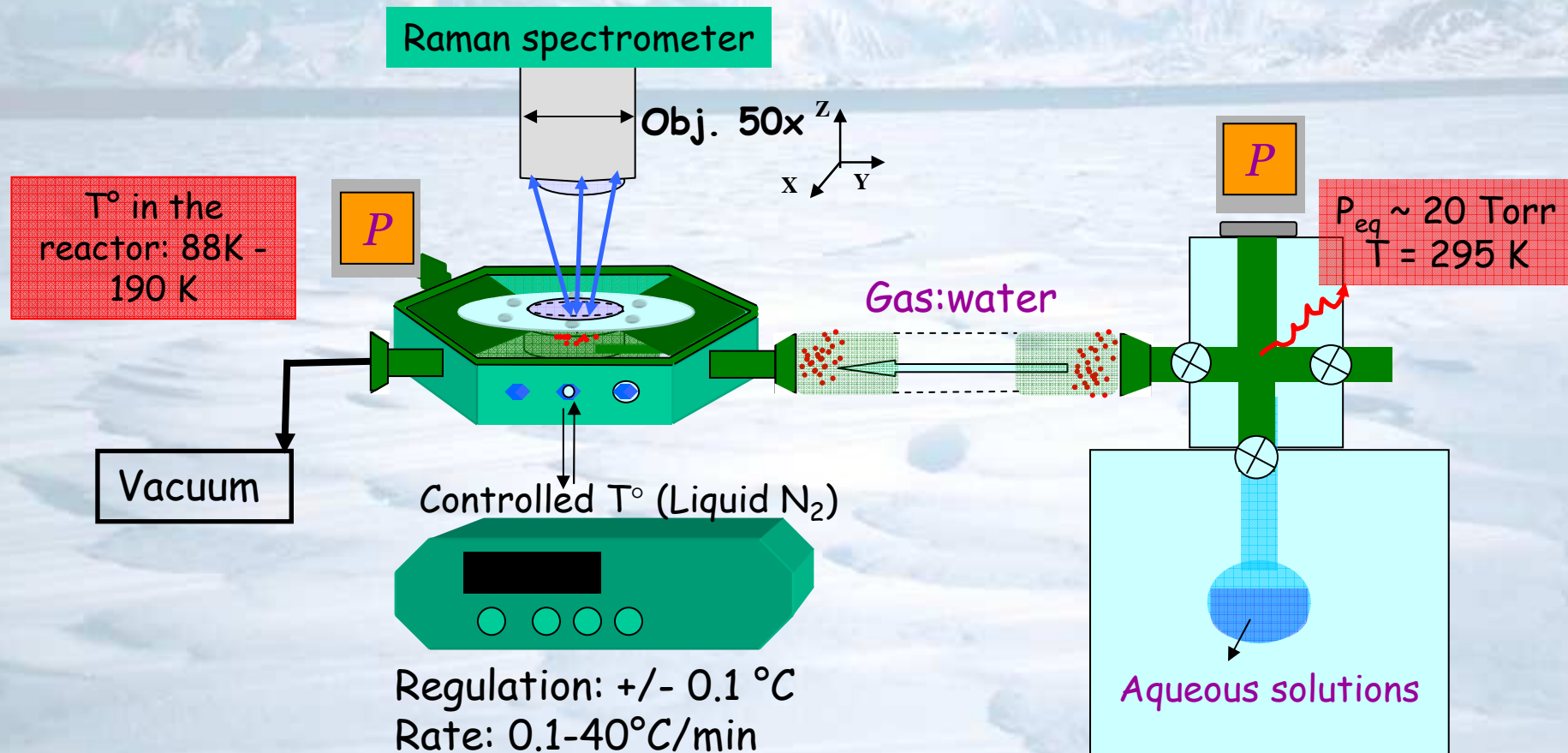
## Composition of H<sub>2</sub>CO-H<sub>2</sub>O gas mixtures collected above aqueous solutions

$\chi_{H_2CO}$ (solutions aqueuses) mol%	$P_{H_2O} : P_{H_2CO}$ <b>Gas</b>	<b>Gas phase mol% obs.</b> $\chi_{H_2CO}$	<b>Solide phase mol% (calc.)</b> $\chi_{H_2CO}$
1	262:1	<b>0.38</b>	<b>0.3</b>
5	127:1	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.6</b>
10	92:1	<b>1.1</b>	<b>0.8</b>
15	57:1	<b>1.7</b>	<b>1.3</b>
20	62:1	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.3</b>
30	43:1	<b>2.3</b>	<b>1.7</b>

$$P_{H_2CO} = \chi_{\text{gaz}} * P_{\text{tot}} \quad \text{Gas phase}$$

$$\chi_{H_2CO} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{P_{H_2O} \alpha_{H_2O}}{P_{H_2CO} \alpha_{H_2CO}} \sqrt{\frac{M_{H_2CO}}{M_{H_2O}}}} \quad \text{Solide phase}$$

# Experimental protocol

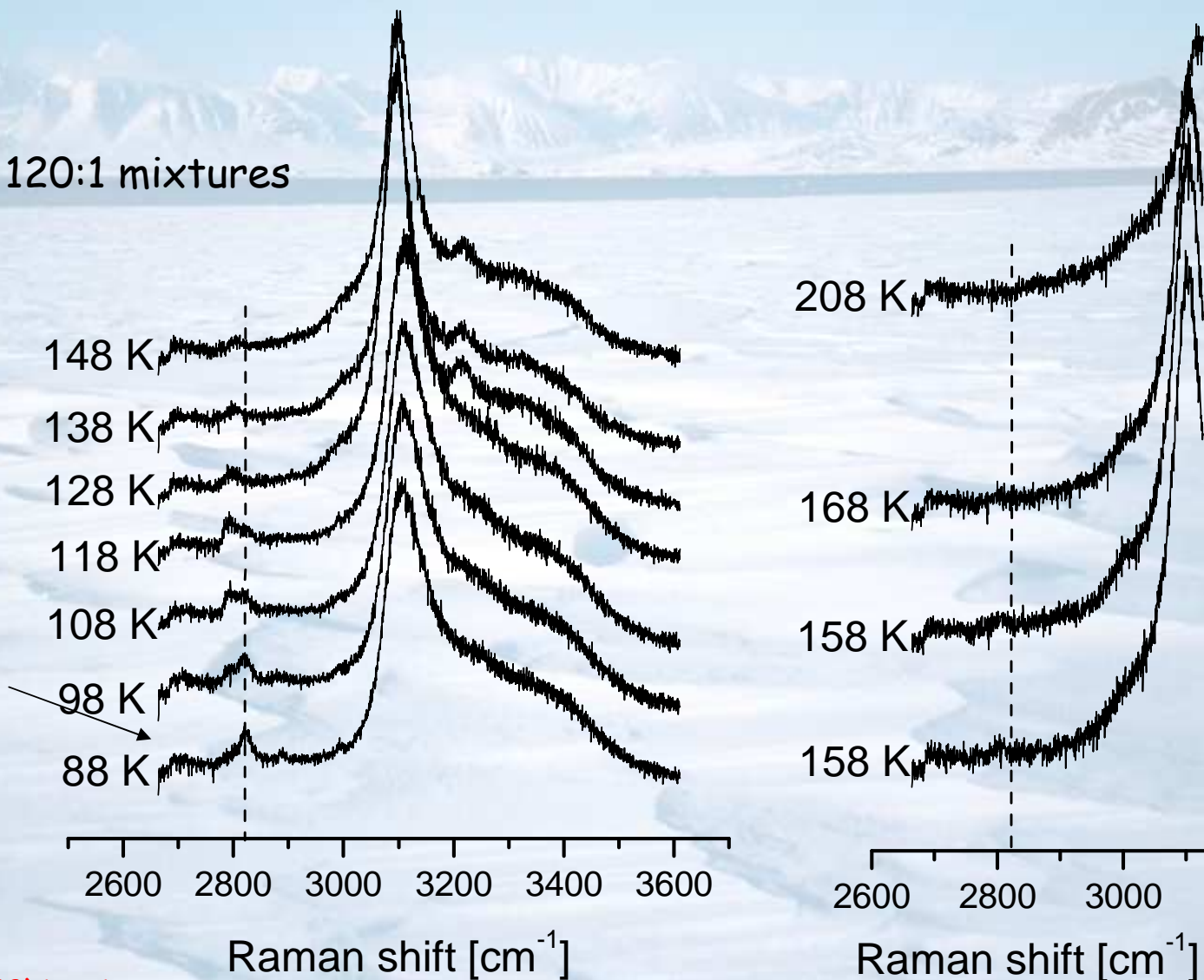


Ice film thickness: ~ 170  $\mu$ m

## Temperature evolution of the ice film under vacuum

$(\text{H}_2\text{O}:\text{H}_2\text{CO})_5 \sim 120:1$  mixtures

C-H stretch  
of  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}$   
distributed  
molecularly in  
ASW

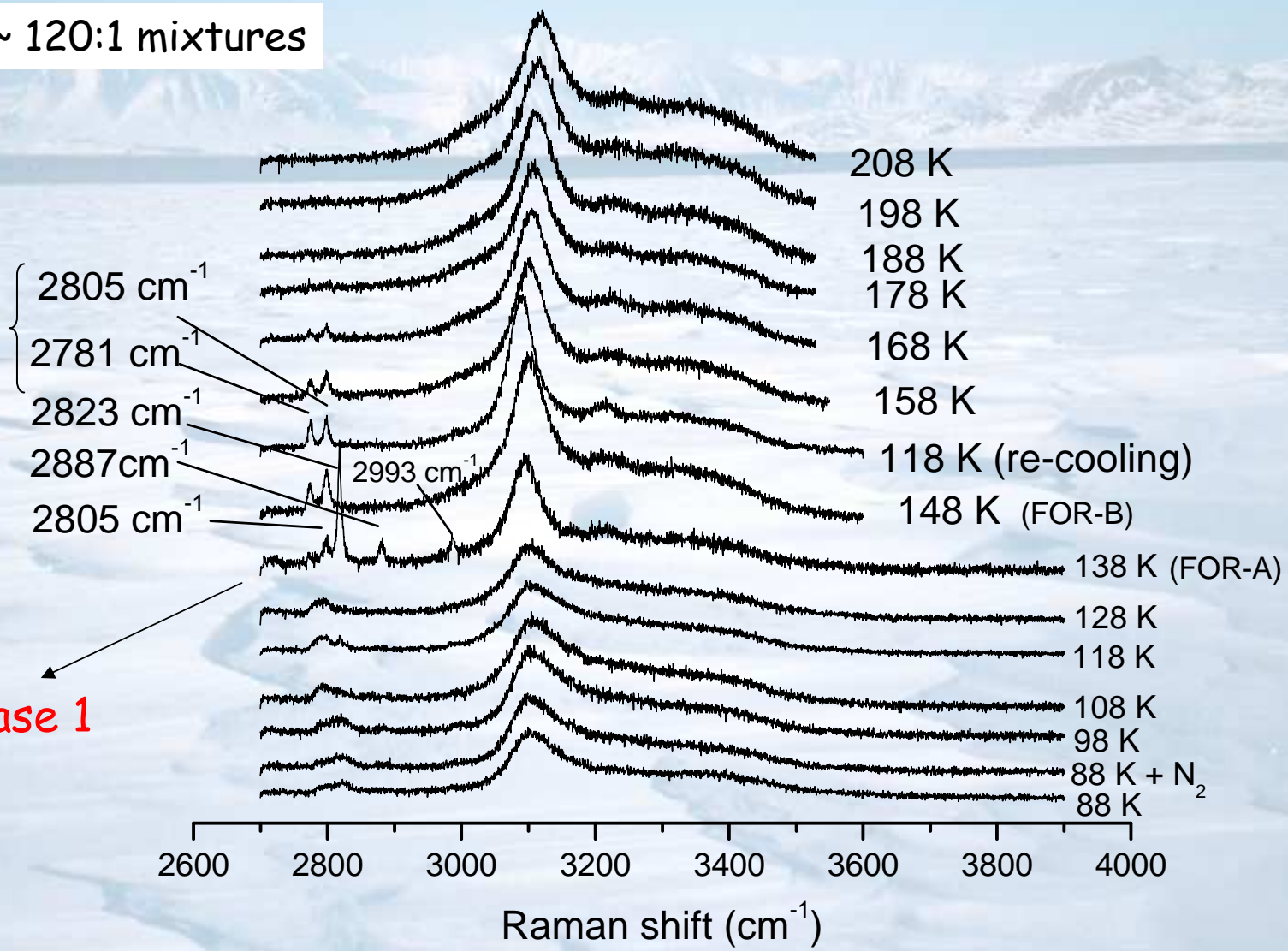


# Temperature evolution of the film under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere

(H<sub>2</sub>O:H<sub>2</sub>CO)<sub>5</sub> ~ 120:1 mixtures

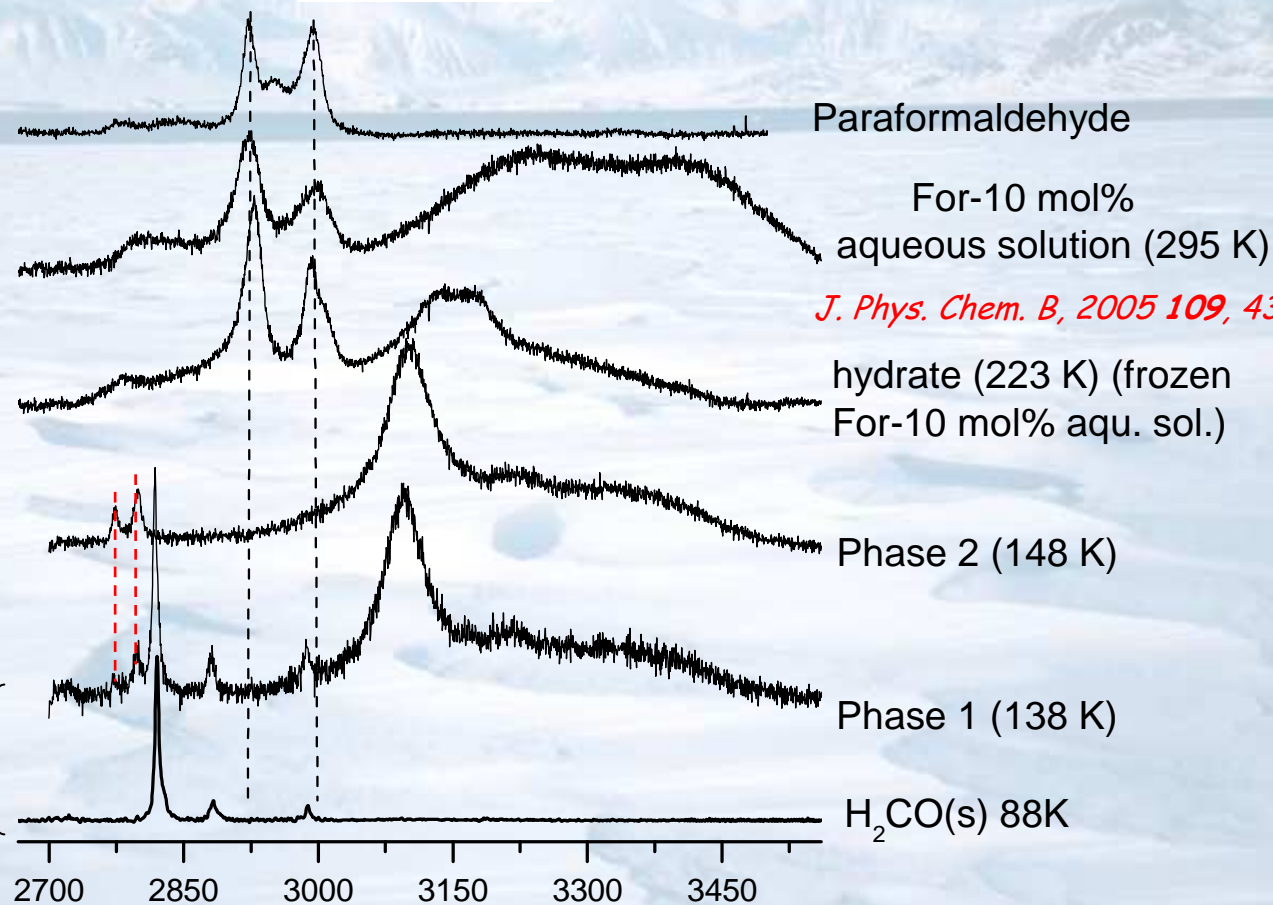
Phase 2

Phase 1



# Molecular spectra of different formaldehyde based compounds

$\nu_s$  (H-C-H)     $\nu_{as}$  (H-C-H)



Paraformaldehyde

For-10 mol% aqueous solution (295 K)

*J. Phys. Chem. B, 2005 109, 432*

hydrate (223 K) (frozen For-10 mol% aqu. sol.)

Phase 2 (148 K)

Phase 1 (138 K)

H<sub>2</sub>CO(s) 88K

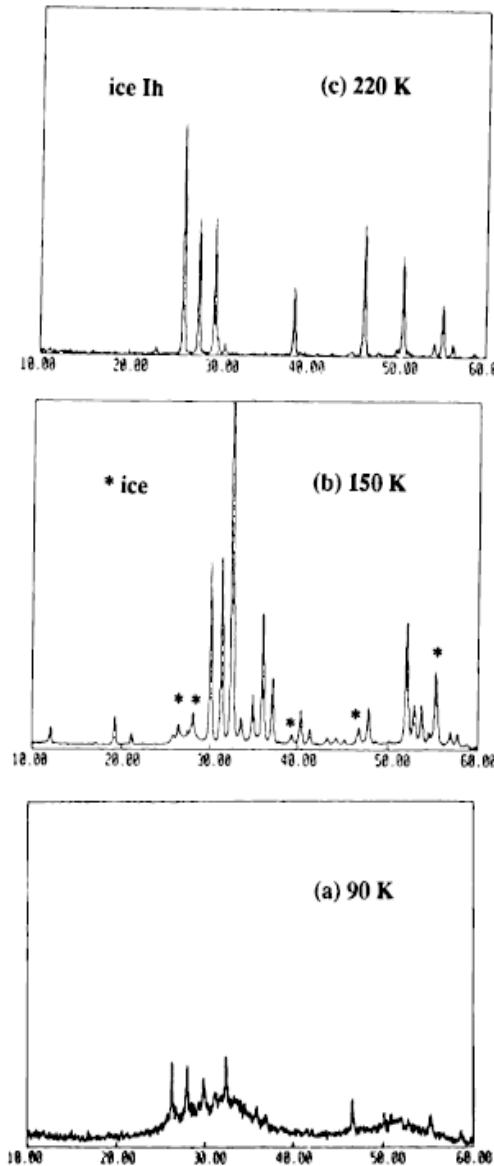
Mixed phase 1 + 2



Phase 1 = H<sub>2</sub>CO(s)

Raman shift [cm<sup>-1</sup>]

Ripmeester et al. J. Phys. Chem. 1996

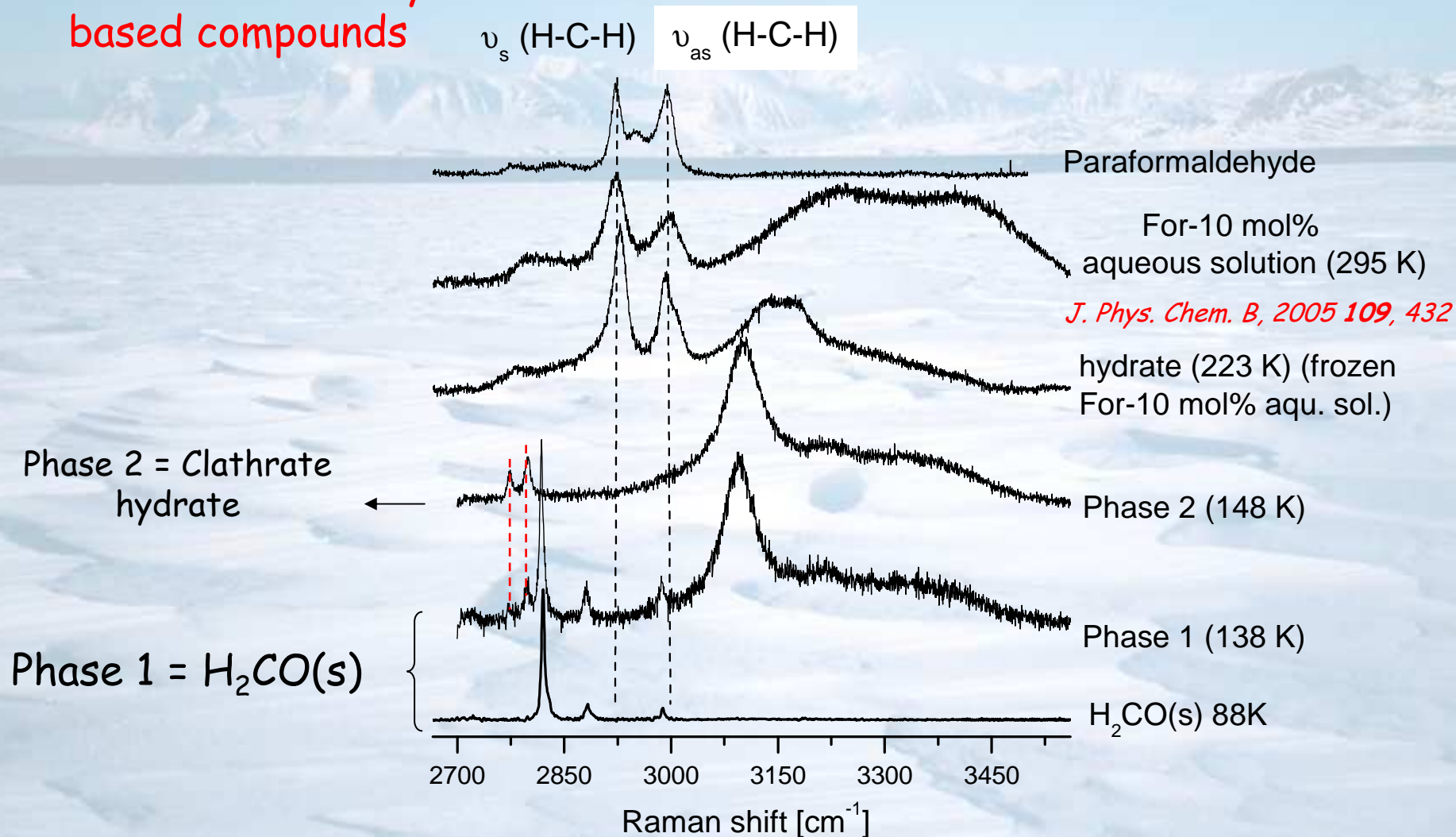


→ Ice + type I H<sub>2</sub>CO-hydrate

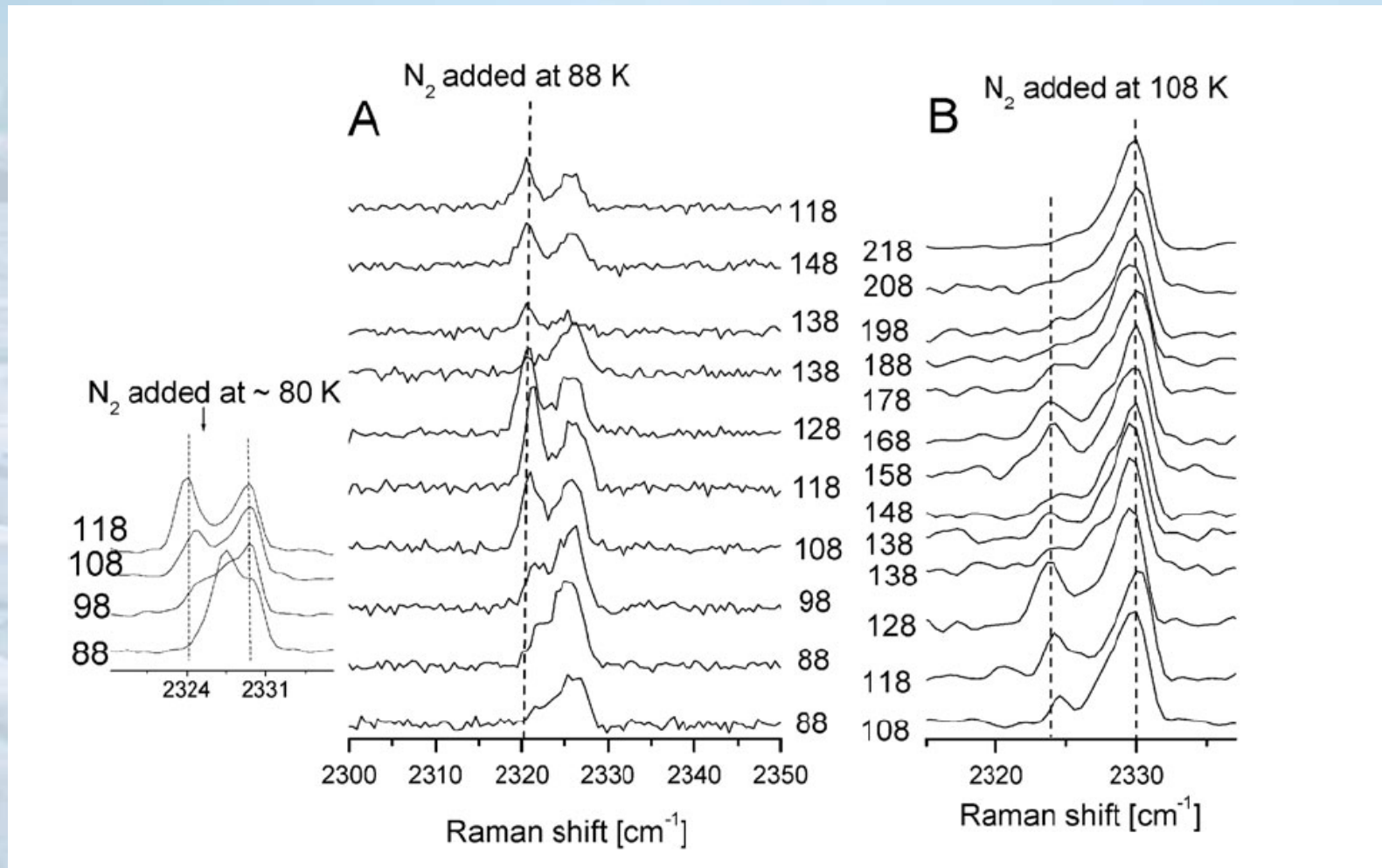
Figure 1. X-ray powder diffraction pattern of (a) a vapor deposit of water vapor and formaldehyde gas prepared from a paraformaldehyde precursor at 90 K; (b) after annealing at 150 K; (c) after annealing at 220 K.



# Molecular spectra of different formaldehyde based compounds



## N<sub>2</sub> stretching mode spectral region



# Discrimination between different hydrate structures

Raman intensity:

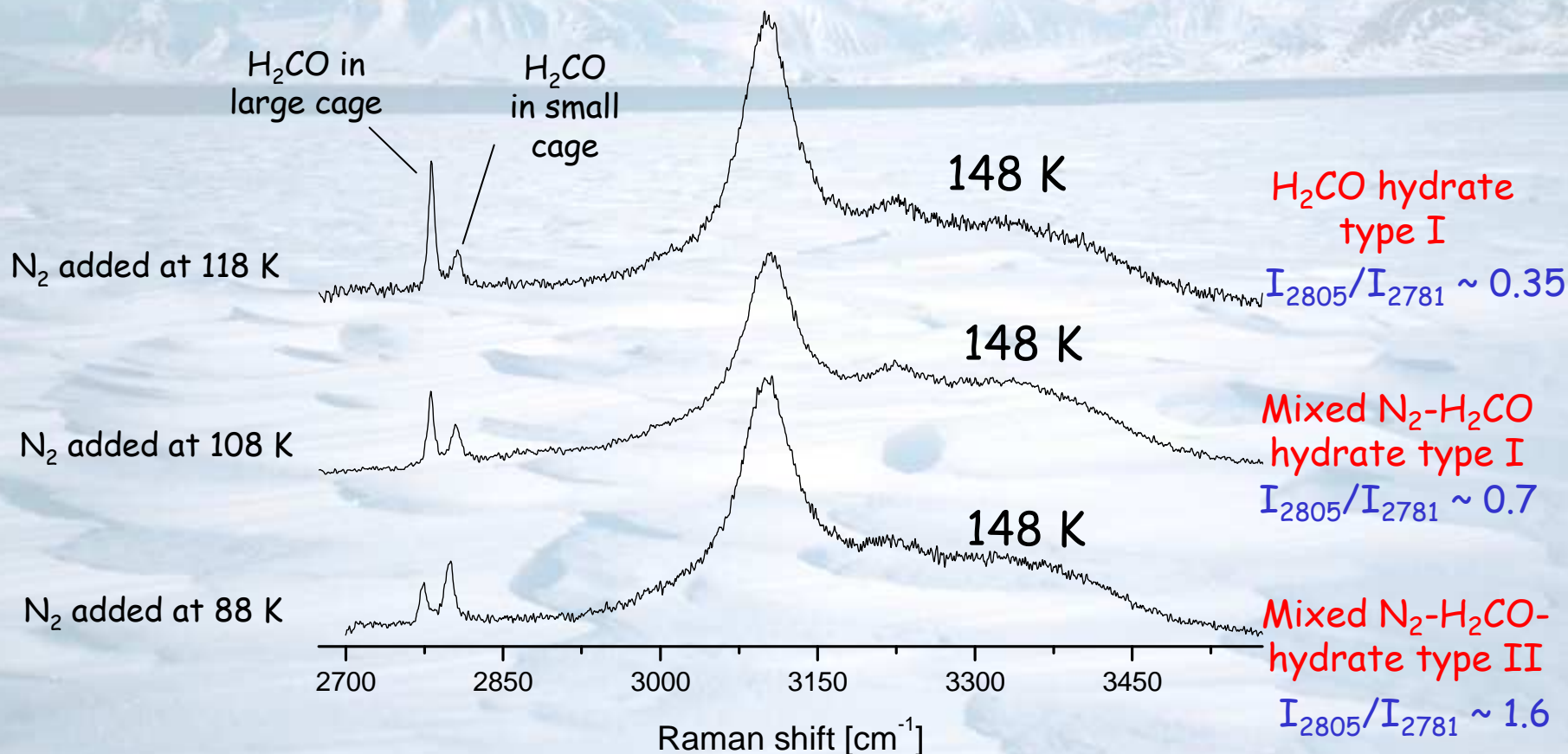
$$I \propto I_0 N_i \sigma_r f$$

Ideally  $I_{LC} / I_{SC} = 0.33$

→ Type I

Ideally  $I_{LC} / I_{SC} = 2$

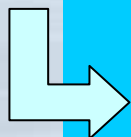
→ Type II



N<sub>2</sub> is sII former whereas H<sub>2</sub>CO is sI hydrate former

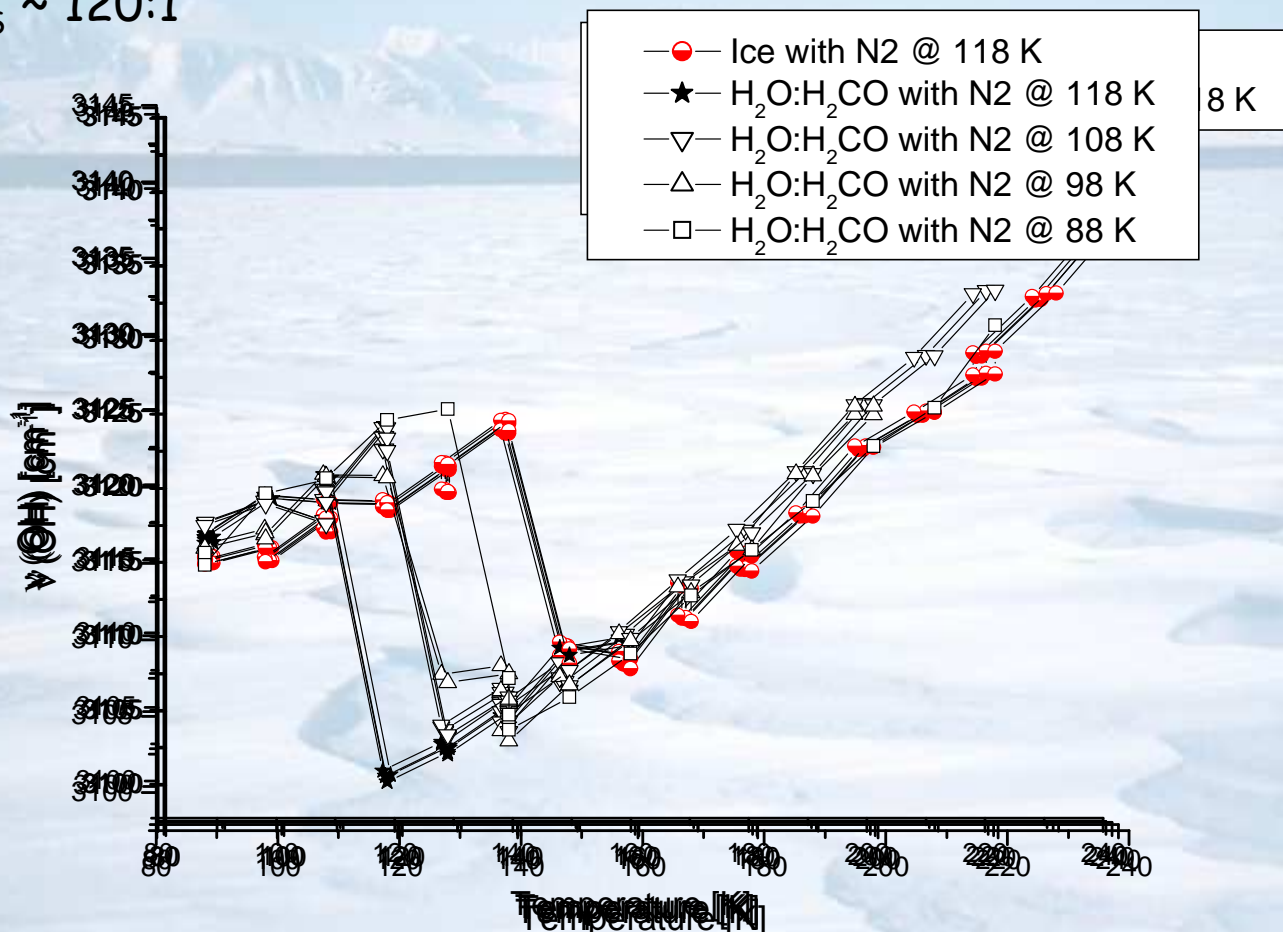
Phase 2 is sI or sII depending on the relative N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>CO in the co-deposit

Competition between N<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>CO for the occupation of small cages → type II formation

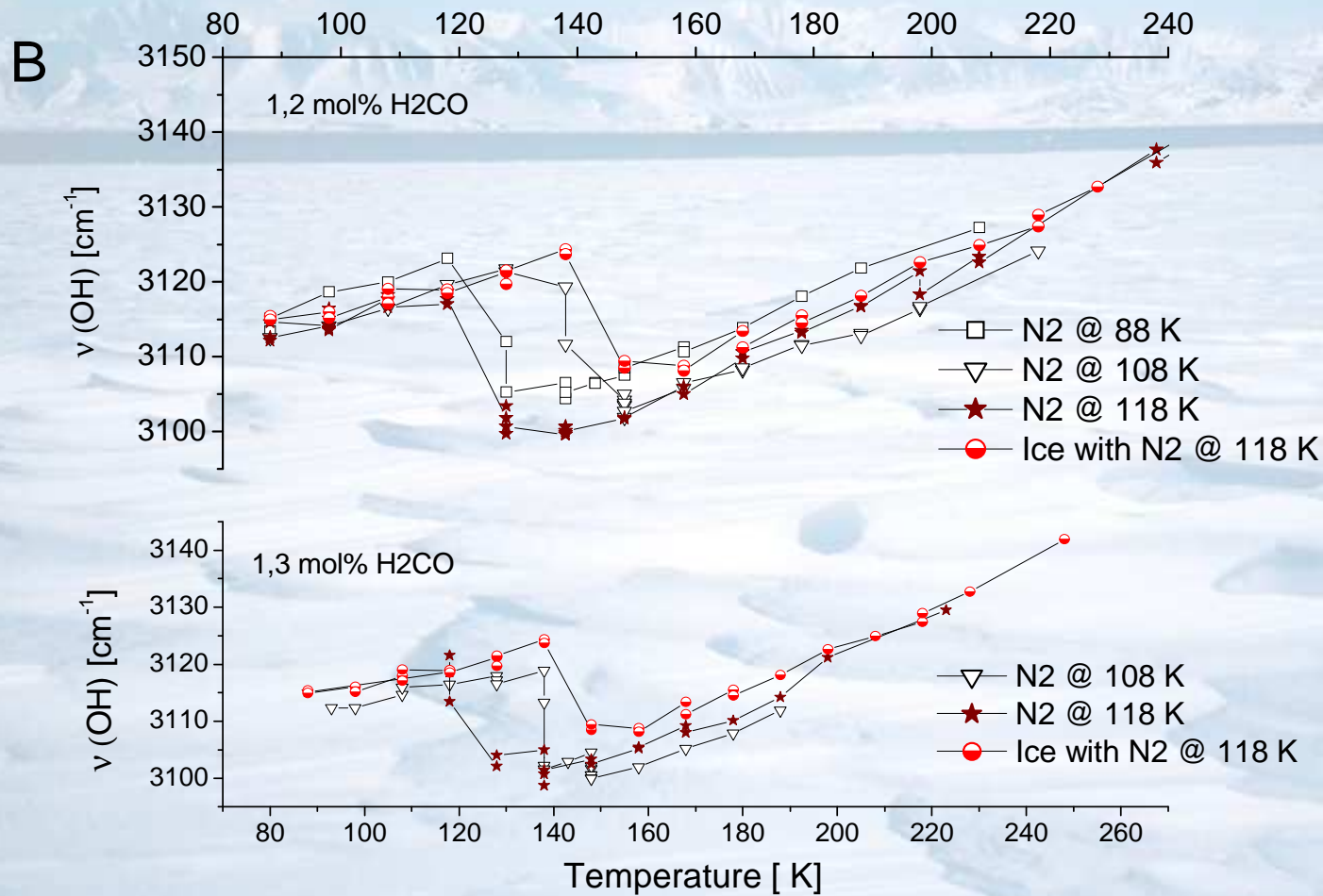


# Crystallization of ice influenced by occlusion of gaseous N<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>CO

(H<sub>2</sub>O:H<sub>2</sub>CO)<sub>5</sub> ~ 120:1



Only H<sub>2</sub>CO in the co-deposit → ice Ic crystallization T° reduces  
 N<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>CO increases → ice Ic crystallization T° increases



The background of the slide is a photograph of a vast, frozen lake with intricate, wavy patterns of ice. In the distance, a range of snow-capped mountains is visible under a clear blue sky.

# Co-deposition Ethanol/H<sub>2</sub>O

## ❖ Vapor Liquid Equilibrium (VLE) data at 295 K: Ethanol/Water

Non-ideal solution  
Ethanol:water

Gas Phase (Wilson model)

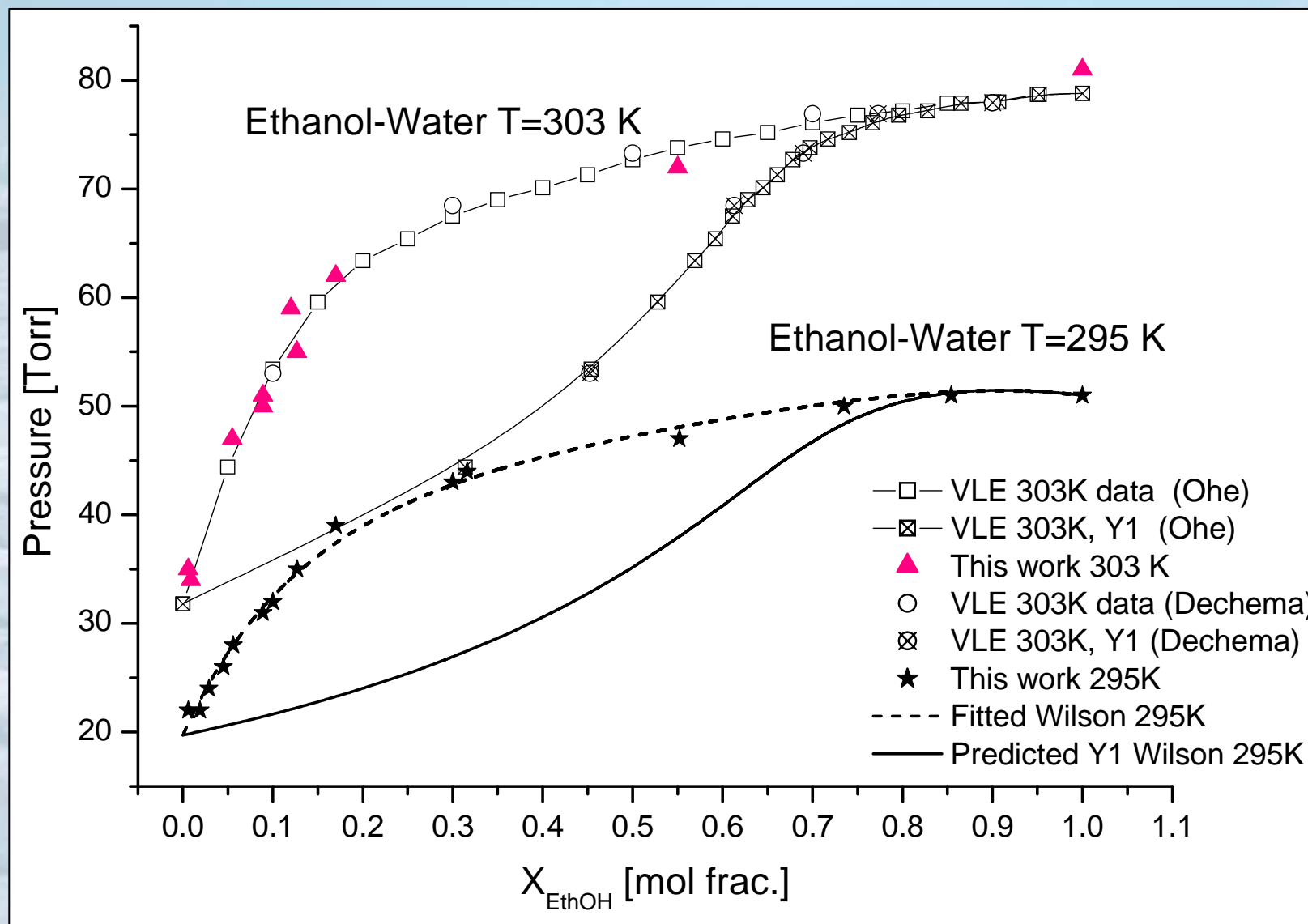
$$Y_{EtOH} = \frac{P_{EtOH} \gamma_{EtOH} X_{EtOH}}{P}$$

Condensed phase

$$X_{Eth} = \left( 1 + \frac{P_{H2O} \alpha_{H2O} \sqrt{M_{Eth}}}{P_{Eth} \alpha_{Eth} \sqrt{M_{H2O}}} \right)^{-1}$$

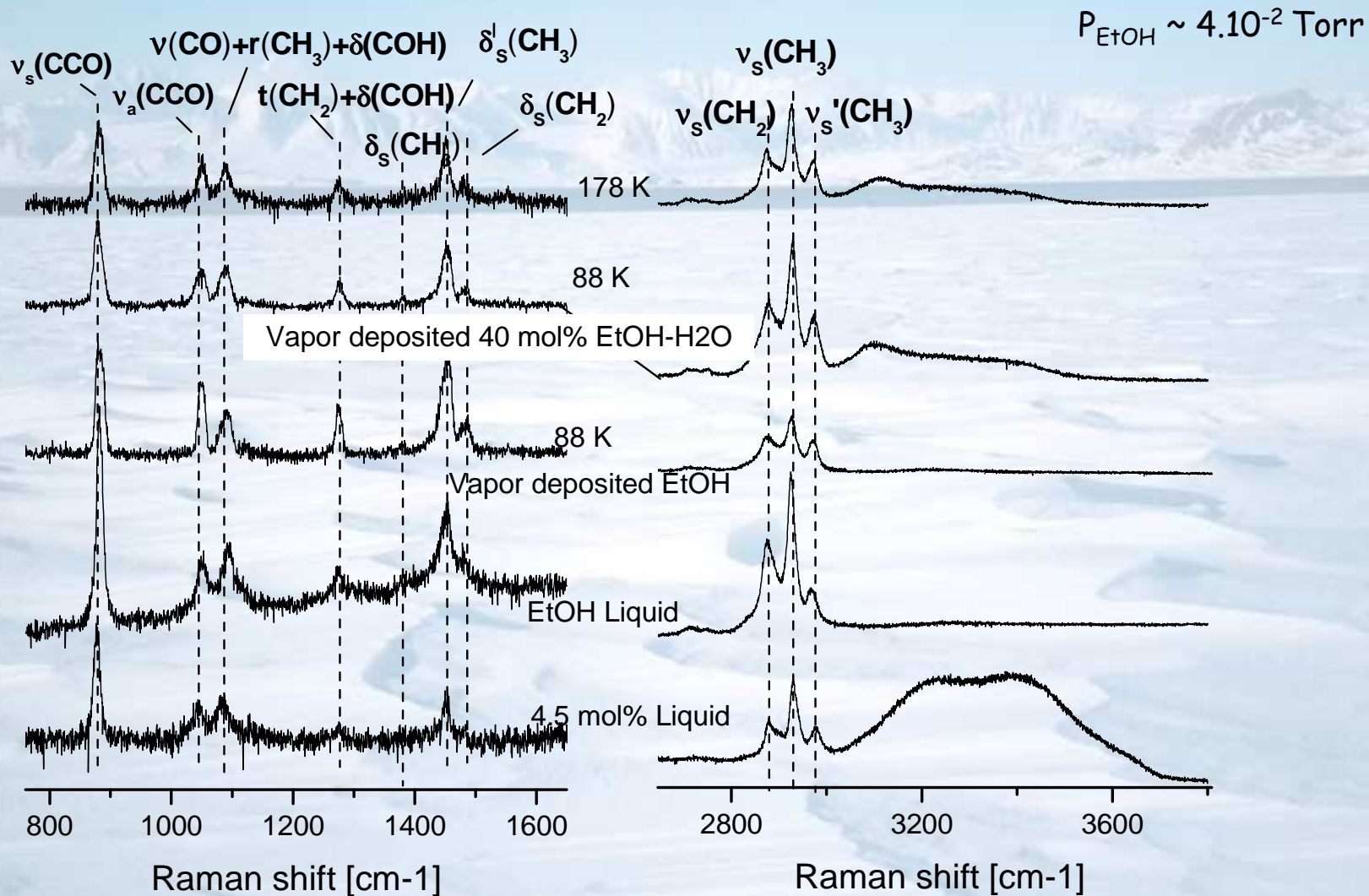
Dominé & Thibert, *Geophys. Res. Lett.* 1996

Xeth (LIQUID) Mol%	YEth (GAS) Mol%	P <sub>EtOH</sub> : P <sub>H2O</sub> (GAS)	Xeth (SOLID) Mol%
0.6 <sup>a</sup>	5.8	1:16	3.7 <sup>a</sup>
1	9.2	1:9.9	5.9
1.9 <sup>a</sup>	15.7	1:5.4	10.4 <sup>a</sup>
2.9	21.7	1:3.6	14.8
4.5 <sup>a</sup>	29.2	1:2.4	20.5 <sup>a</sup>
5.6	33.3	1:2.0	23.7
8.9 <sup>a</sup>	42.3	1:1.4	31.4 <sup>a</sup>
10	44.5	1:1.2	33.4
12.7	49	1:1.0	37.5
17 <sup>a</sup>	54.2	1:0.8	42.5 <sup>a</sup>

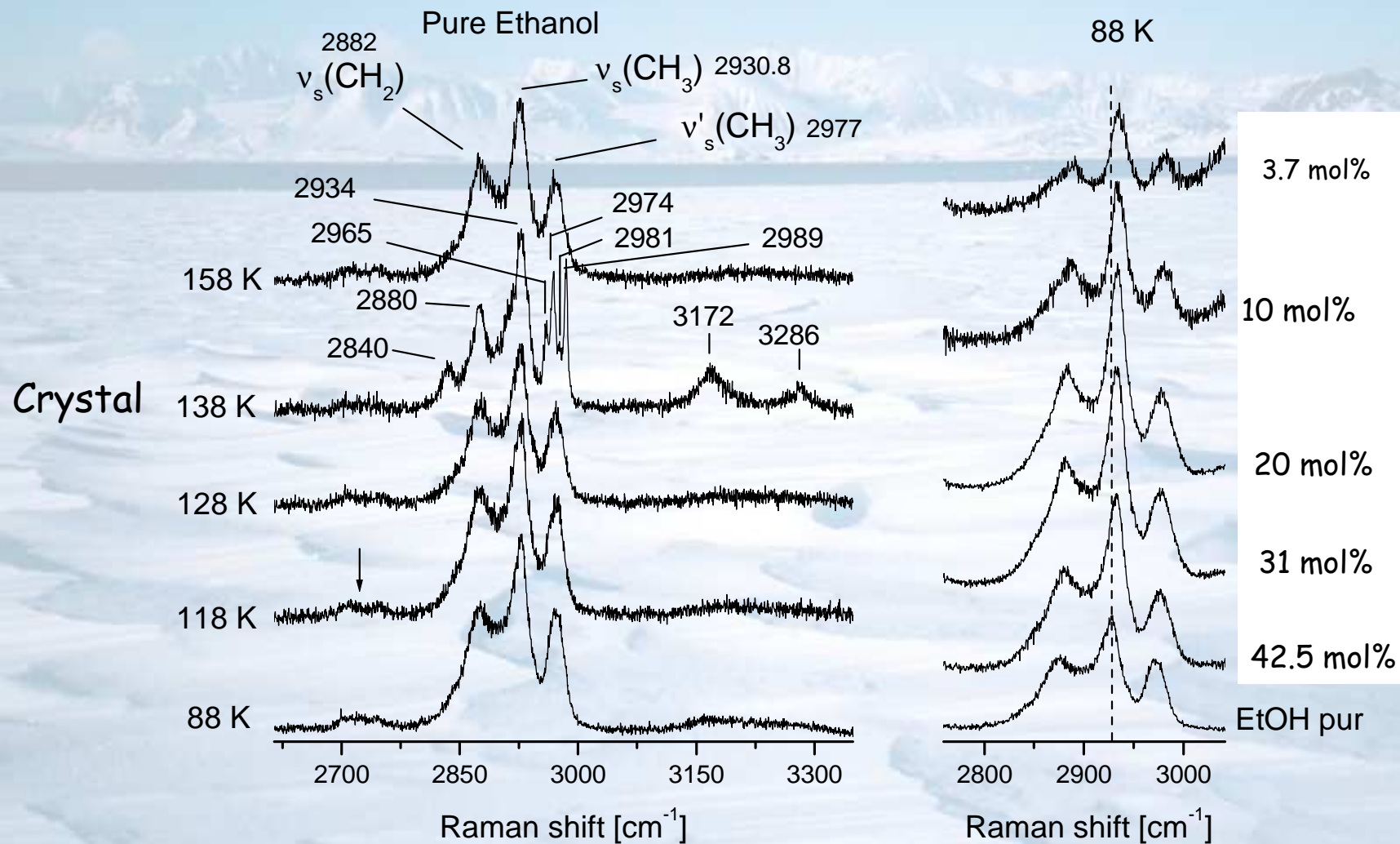




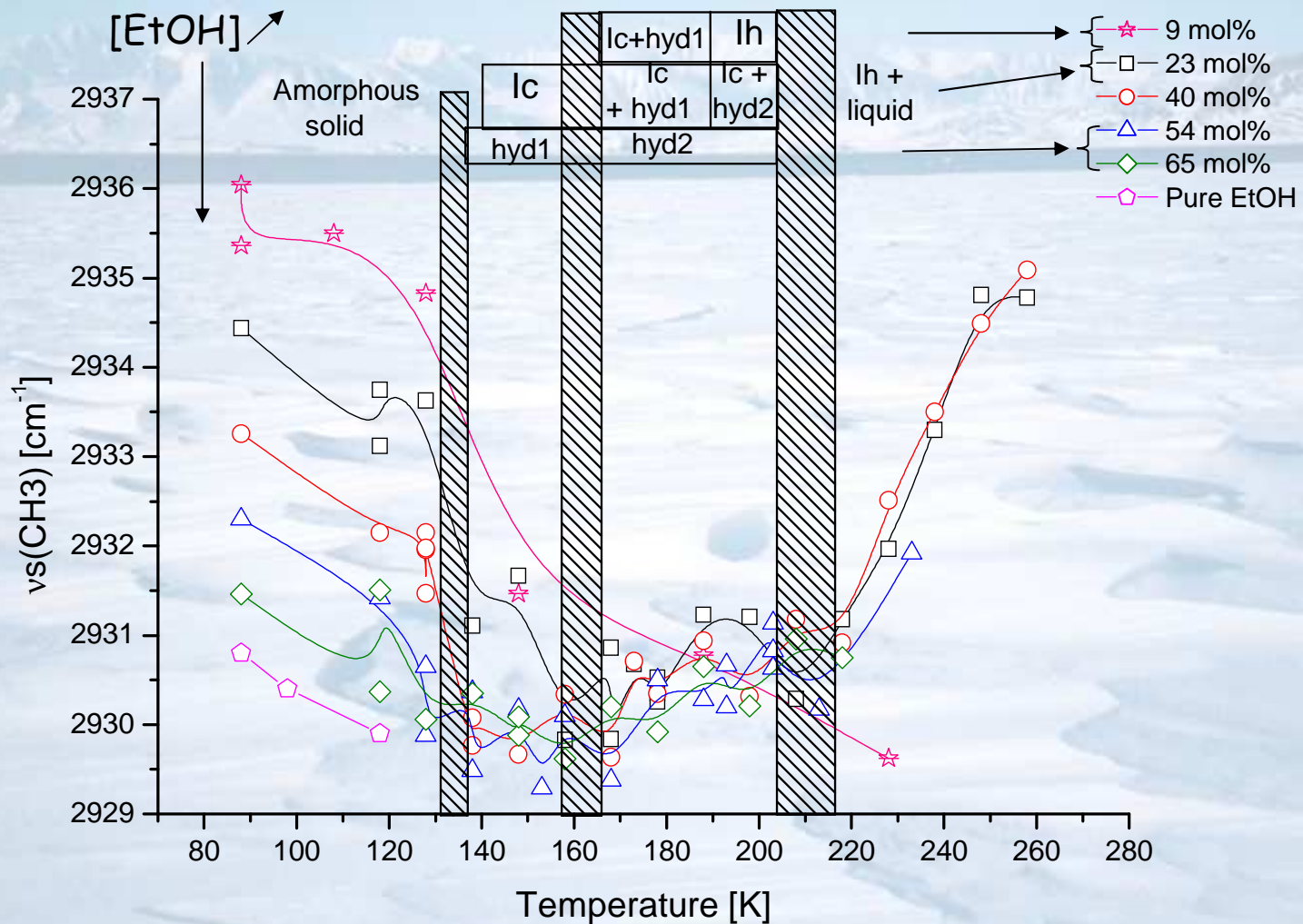
## 2. Comparative Raman analysis of co-deposits / aqueous solutions



# Raman spectra of co-deposited EtOH and EtOH:H<sub>2</sub>O



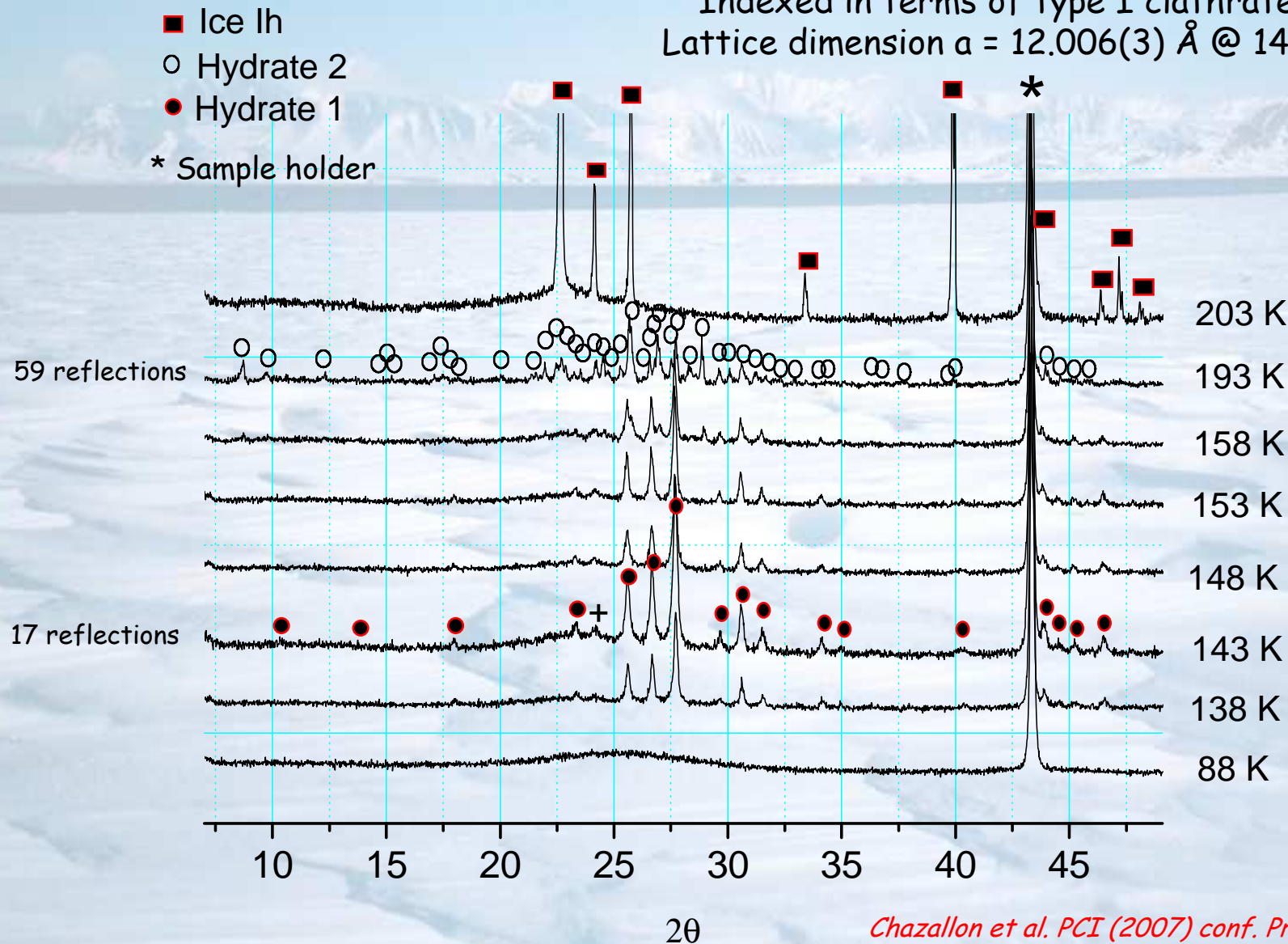
# 4. $\nu_s(\text{CH}_3)$



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# EtOH @ 31 mol%

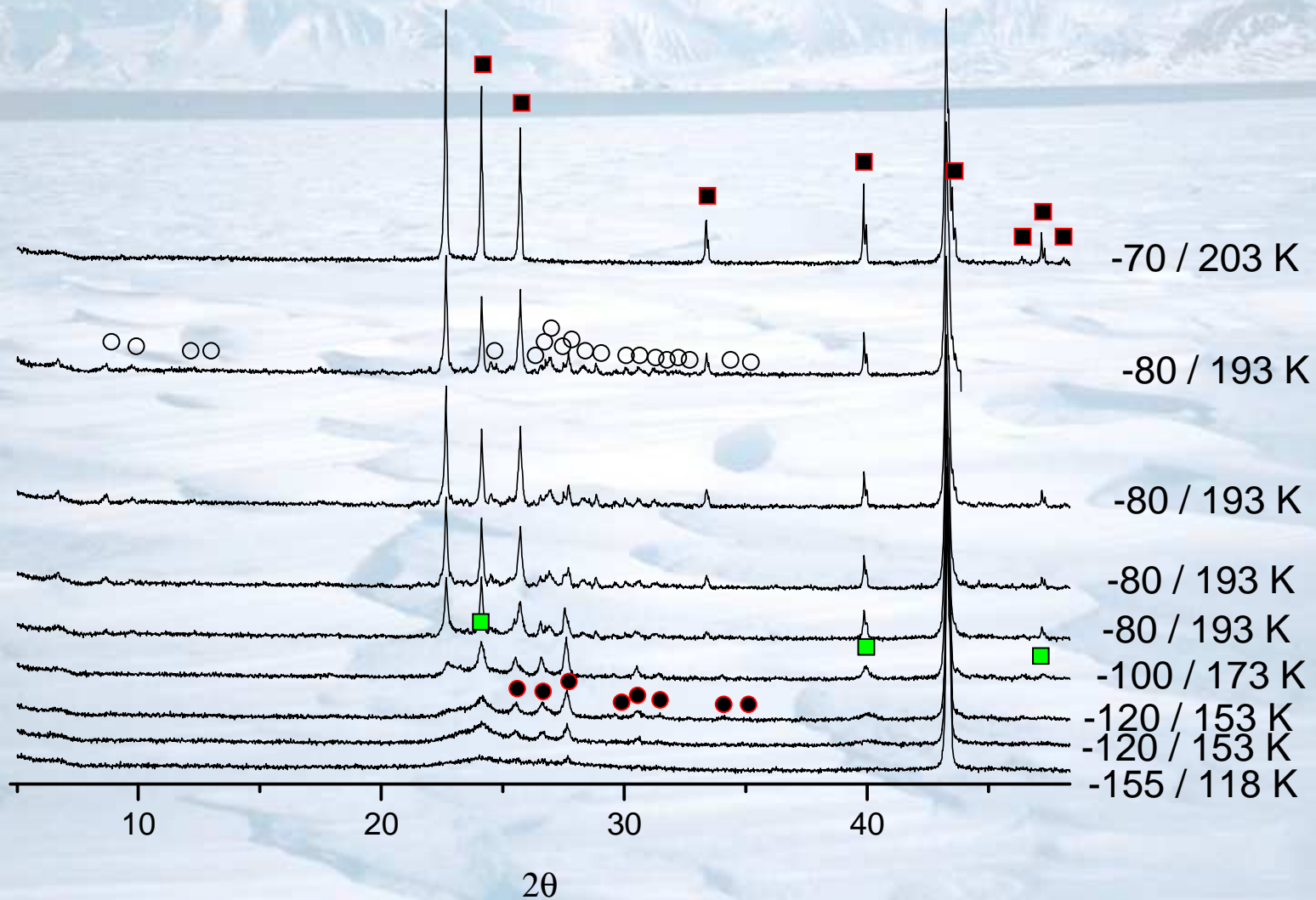
Hydrate 1 = cubic  
 Indexed in terms of type I clathrate  
 Lattice dimension  $a = 12.006(3) \text{ \AA}$  @ 143 K



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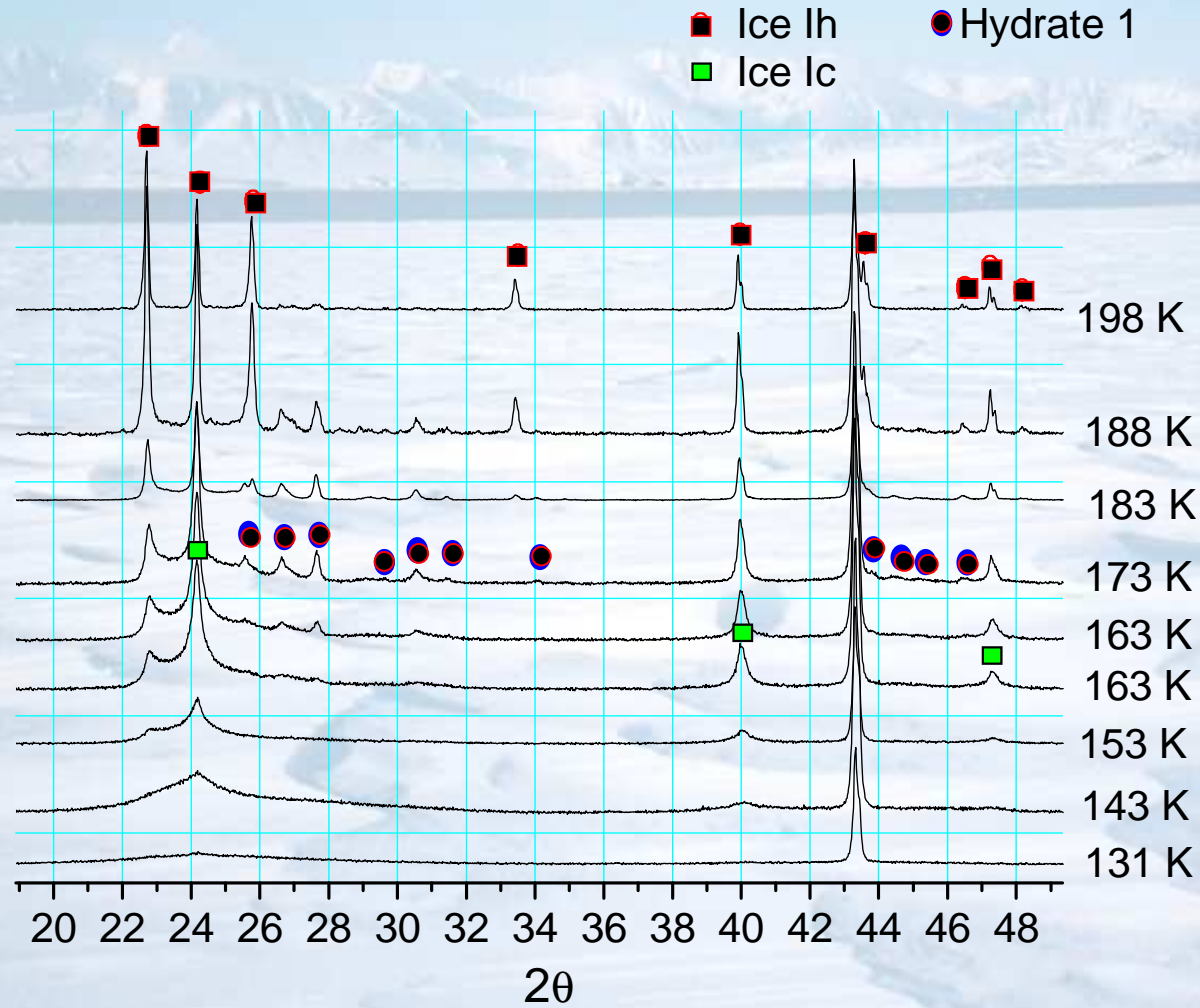
# EtOH @ 15 mol%

- \* Sample holder
- Ice Ih
- Hydrate (1)
- Ice Ic
- Hydrate (2)

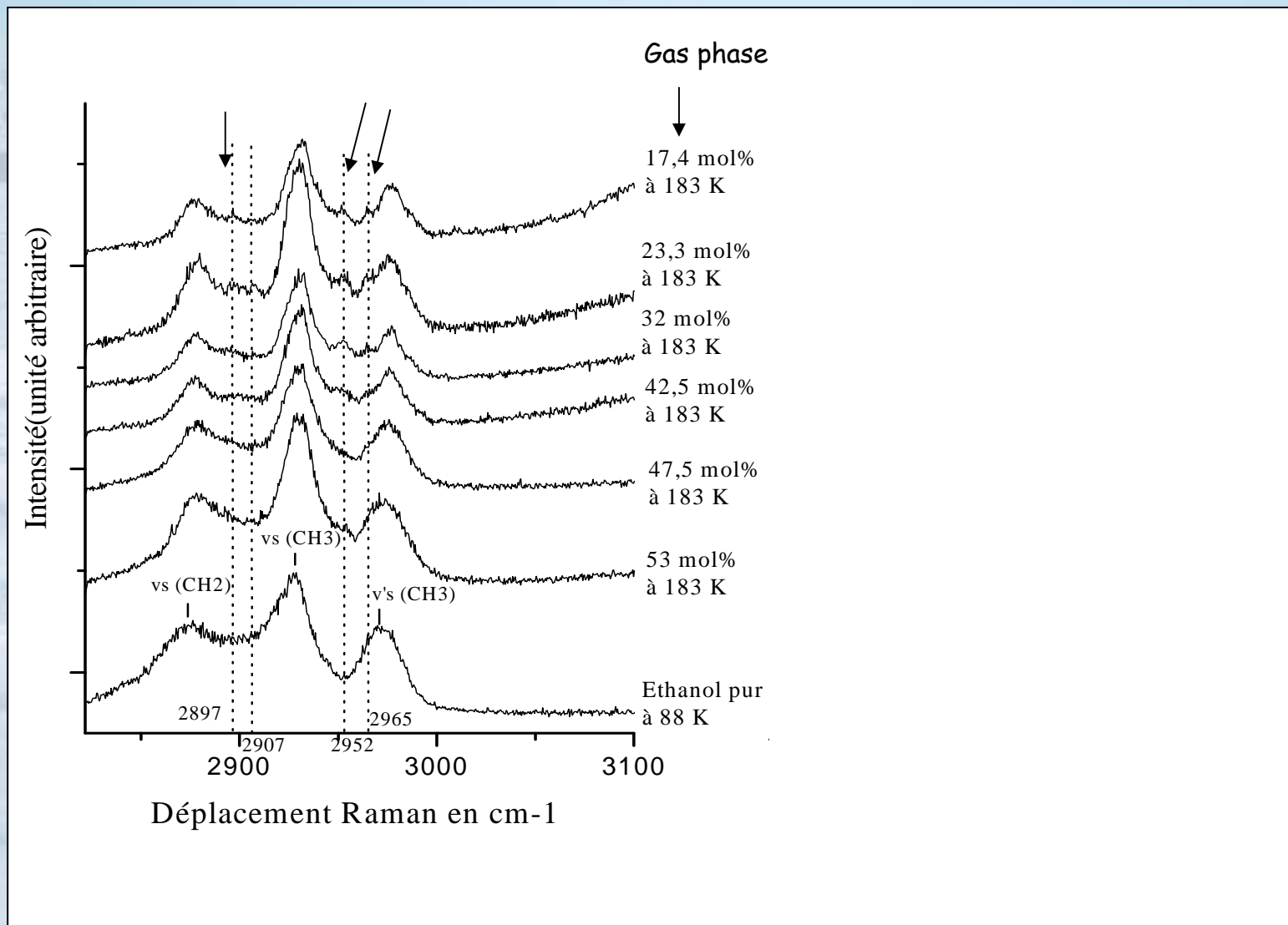


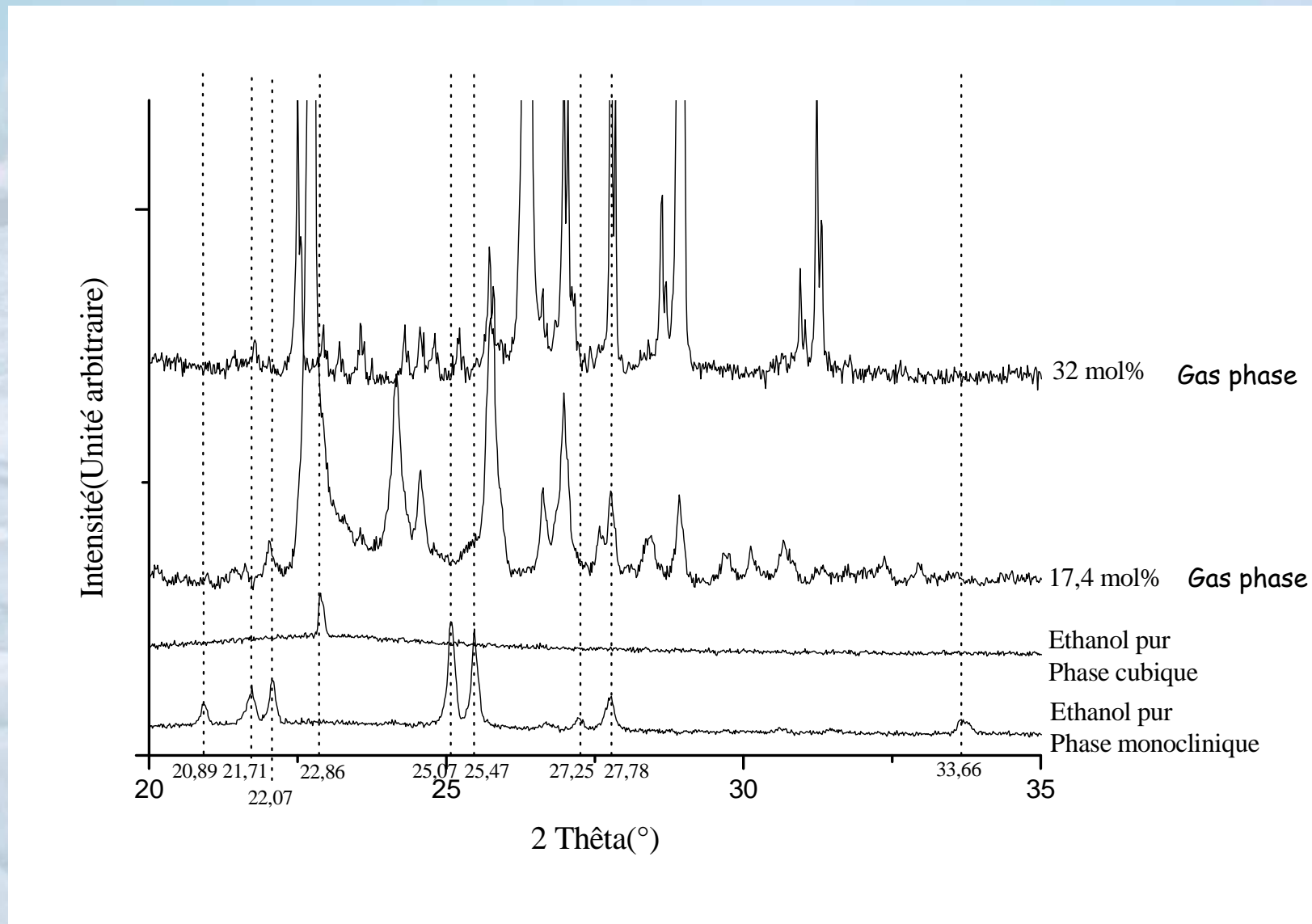
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# EtOH @ 4 mol%



# Deposition @ 183 K

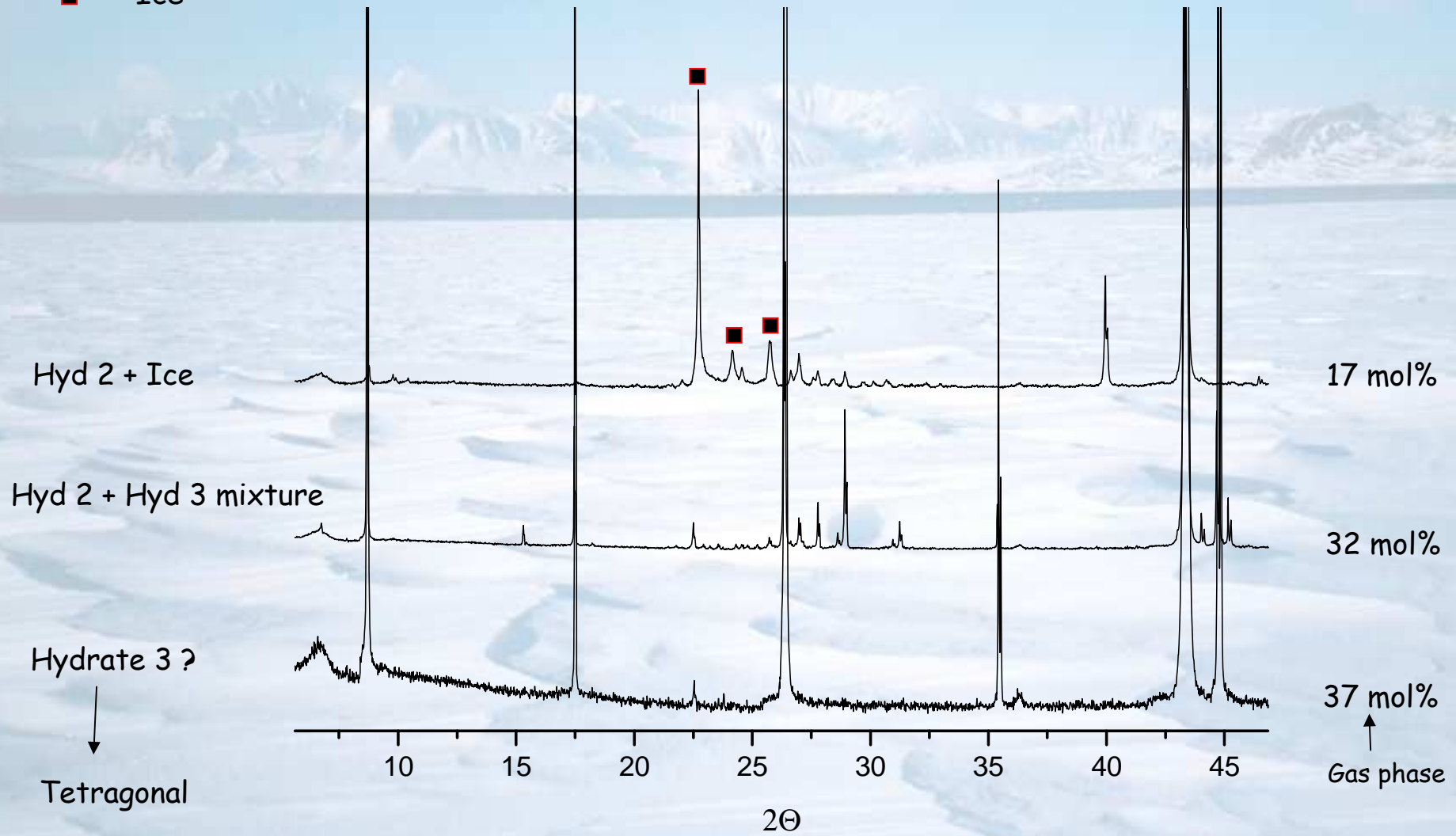






# Deposition @ 183 K

■ Ice



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## Summary

### Co-deposition:

#### • Formaldehyde

- Formaldehyde distributed molecularly in ASW @ 88 K, escape at ~ 140 K
- Influence of external gas pressure (1 atm of N<sub>2</sub>)
- Highly polar surface (dangling OH bonds?) and micro-porosity facilitate the adsorption and incorporation of N<sub>2</sub> gas in the structure
- No N<sub>2</sub> in the structure when added @ T ~ 120K (no porosity)
  
- H<sub>2</sub>CO(s) at ~ 140 K (phase separation)
- Formaldehyde hydrate at ~ 150 K, mixed with incorporated N<sub>2</sub>
- Variation in N<sub>2</sub> / H<sub>2</sub>CO ratio → different clathrate hydrate structures

#### • Ethanol:

- Catalytic action of EtOH: T° of crystallization ↘ T < 140 K as [EtOH] ↗ )
- 2 distinct EtOH-hydrate phases
- Direct crystallization @ 183 K → new hydrate phase

### Perspective

- Solubility of VOC in ice at T° ~ 210-240 K
- Solubility of VOC in acid doped ice

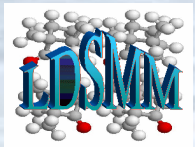
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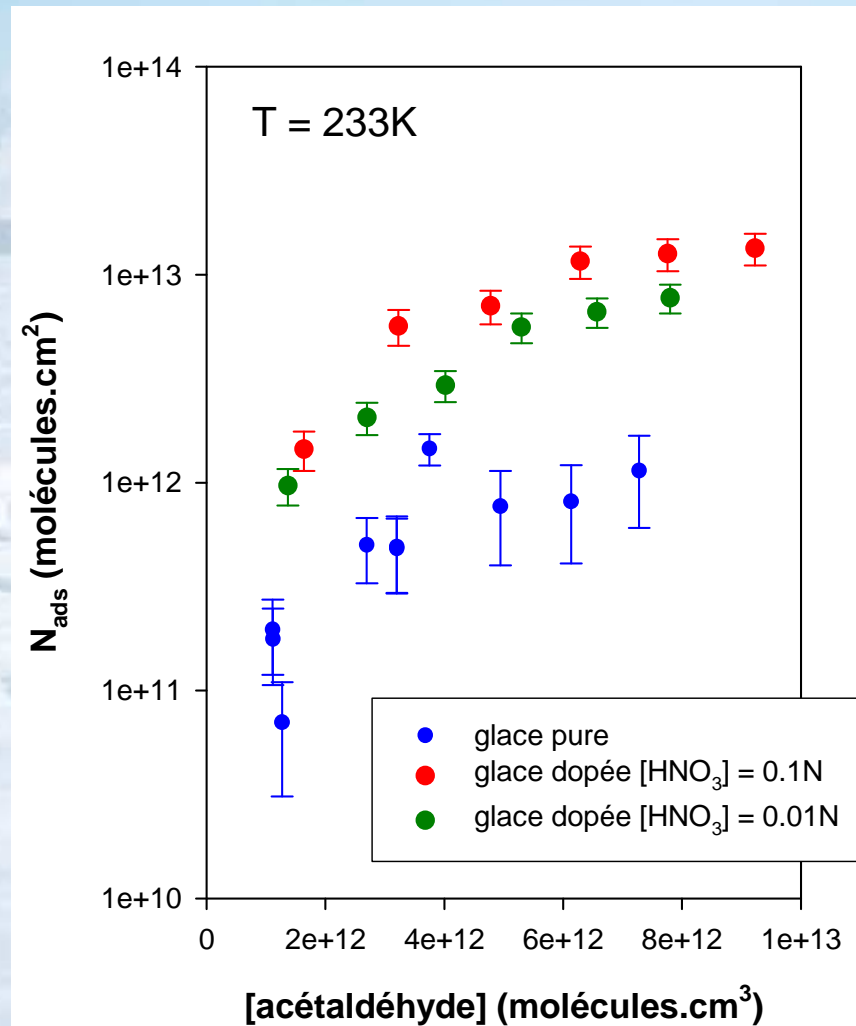


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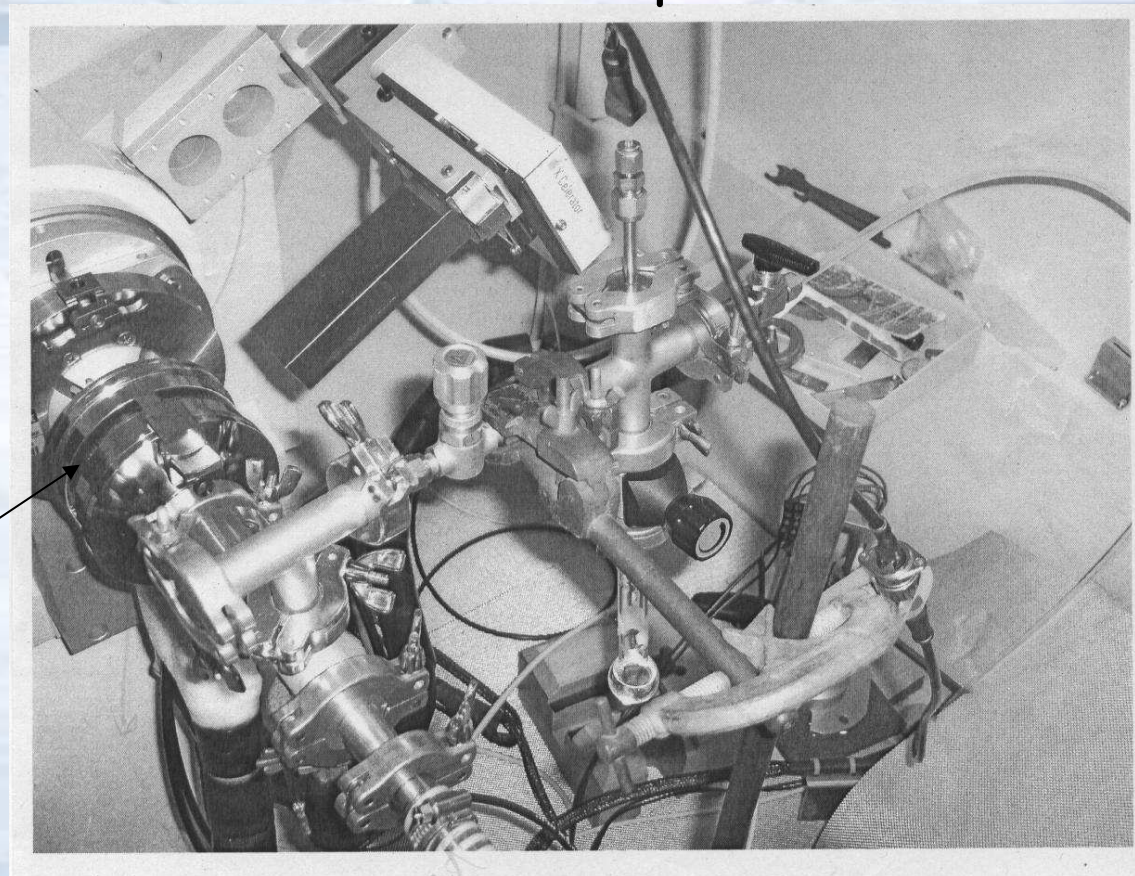
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## 6. Diffraction X



Powder diffractometer  
Xpert-Pro Panalytical  
Configuration  $\Theta$ - $\Theta$   
(Collaboration **LDSMM**,  
Y.Guinet, F. Capet)

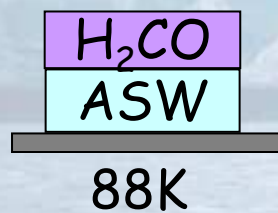
Set-up



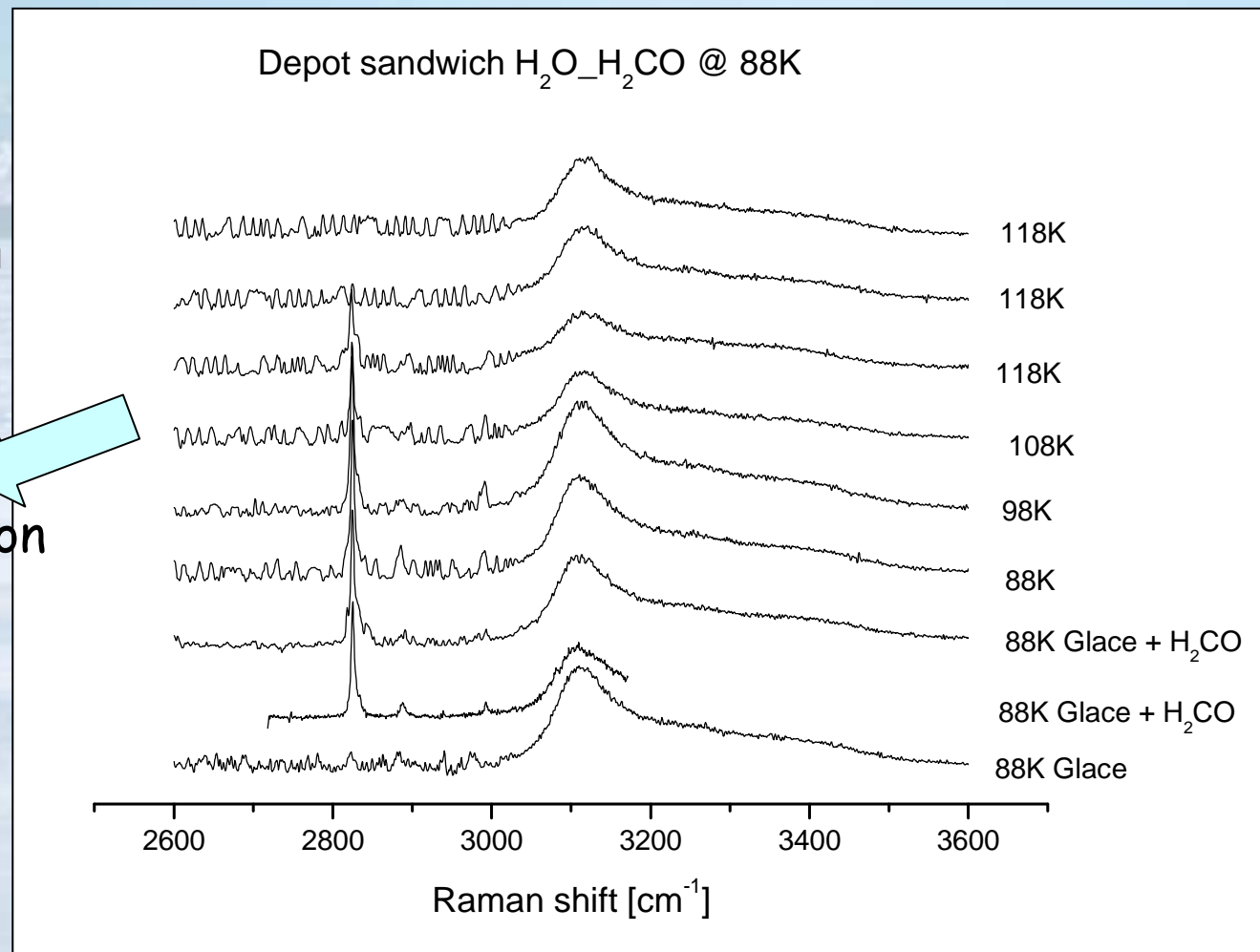
Cryogenic  
chamber

Regulation +/- 0.5 K  
rate: 0.5 K to 10 K /min

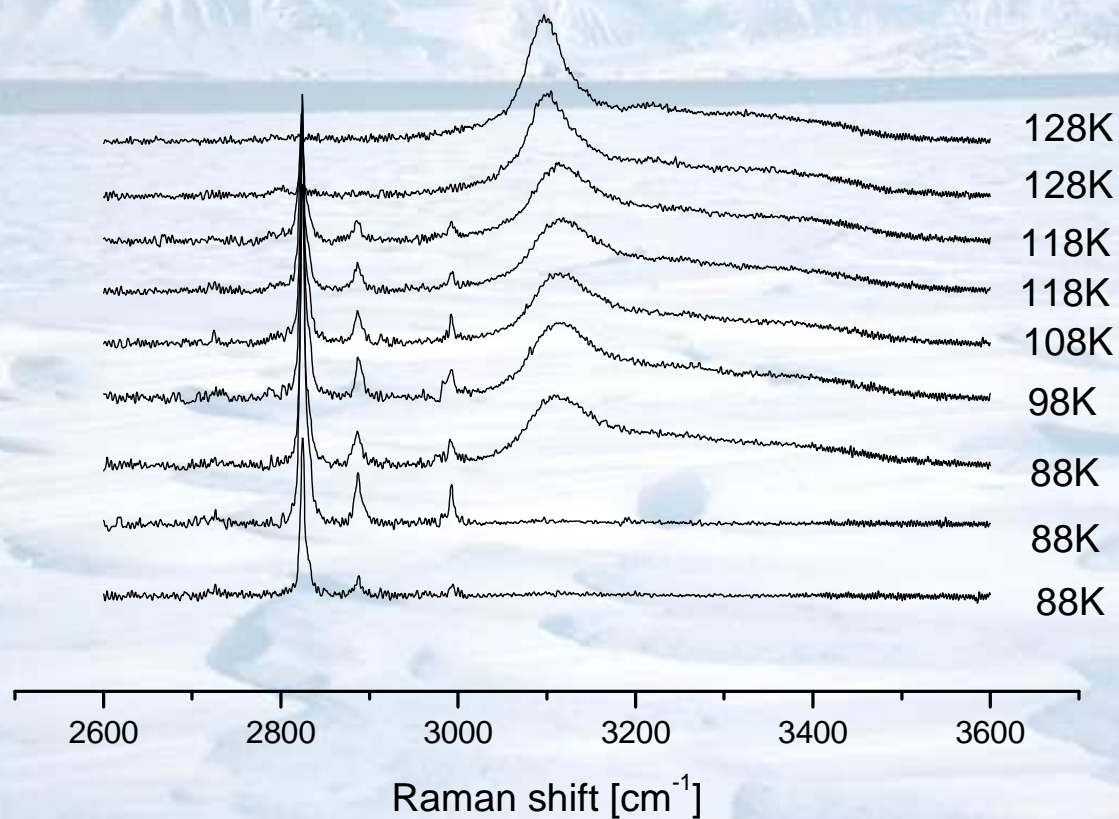
Variable T° 273-77 K



evaporation

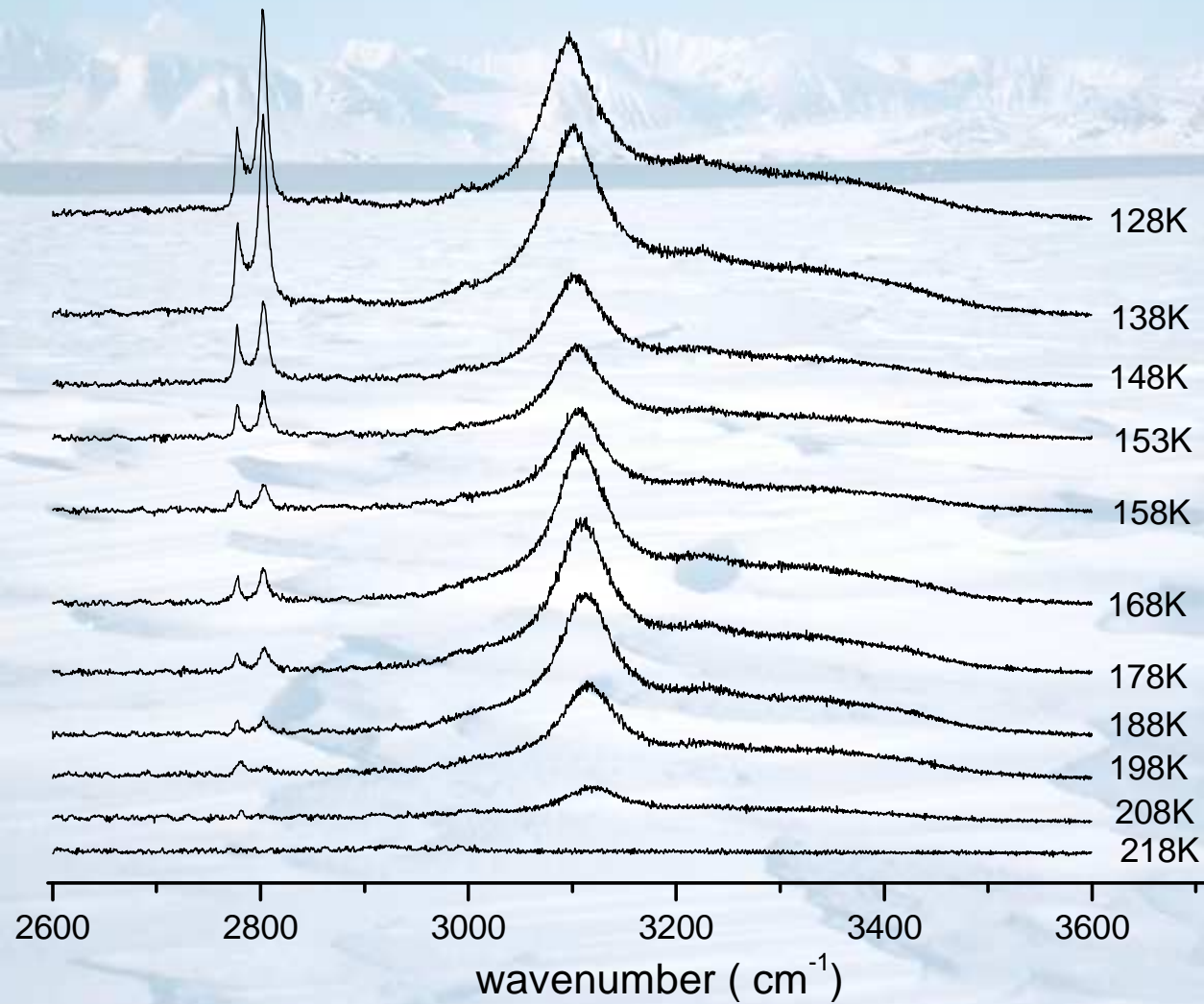



Depot sandwich  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}_2\text{O}$  @ 88K





## Co-deposition $\text{H}_2\text{O}:\text{H}_2\text{CO}$ 6:1 @ 128 K

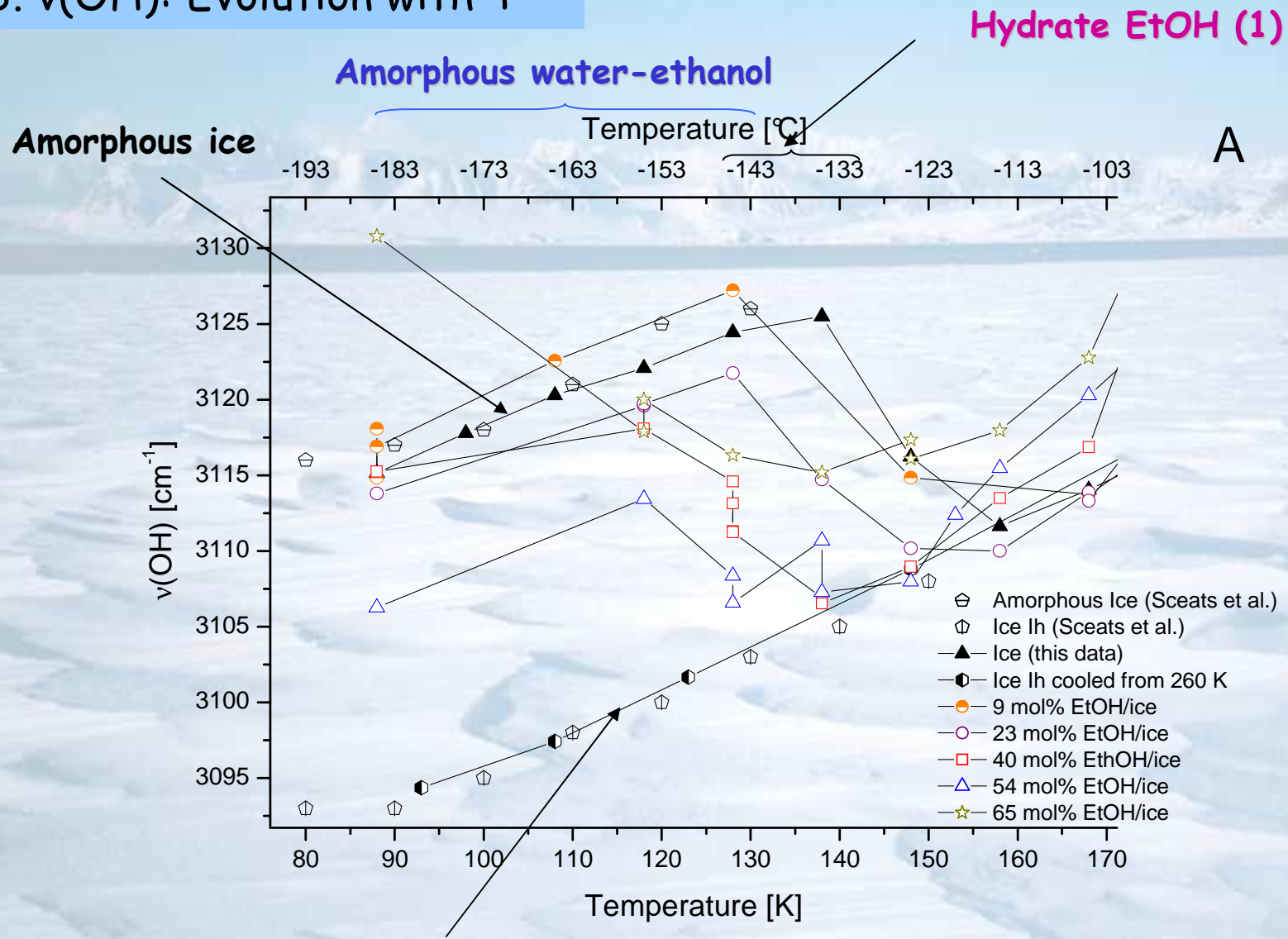


A wide-angle photograph of a frozen lake with a range of snow-capped mountains in the background under a clear blue sky. The ice on the lake shows various textures and patterns.

Co-dépôt  
 $H_2CO/H_2O$

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### 3. $\nu(\text{OH})$ : Evolution with $T^\circ$

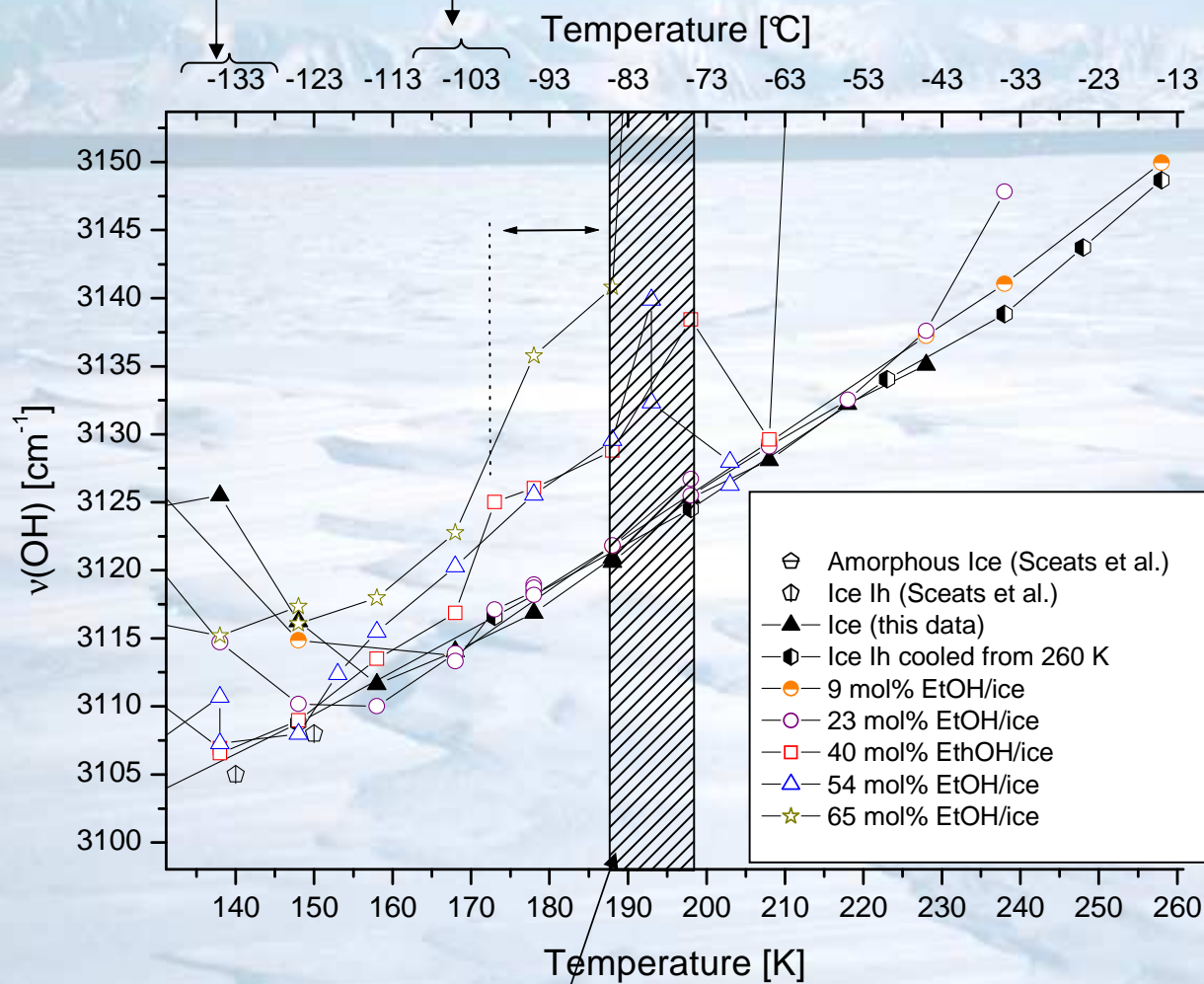


**Crystalline ice (after annealing)**

*Chazallon et al. Vib. Spectrosc. (2006)*

Hydrate EtOH (1)

Hydrate EtOH (2)



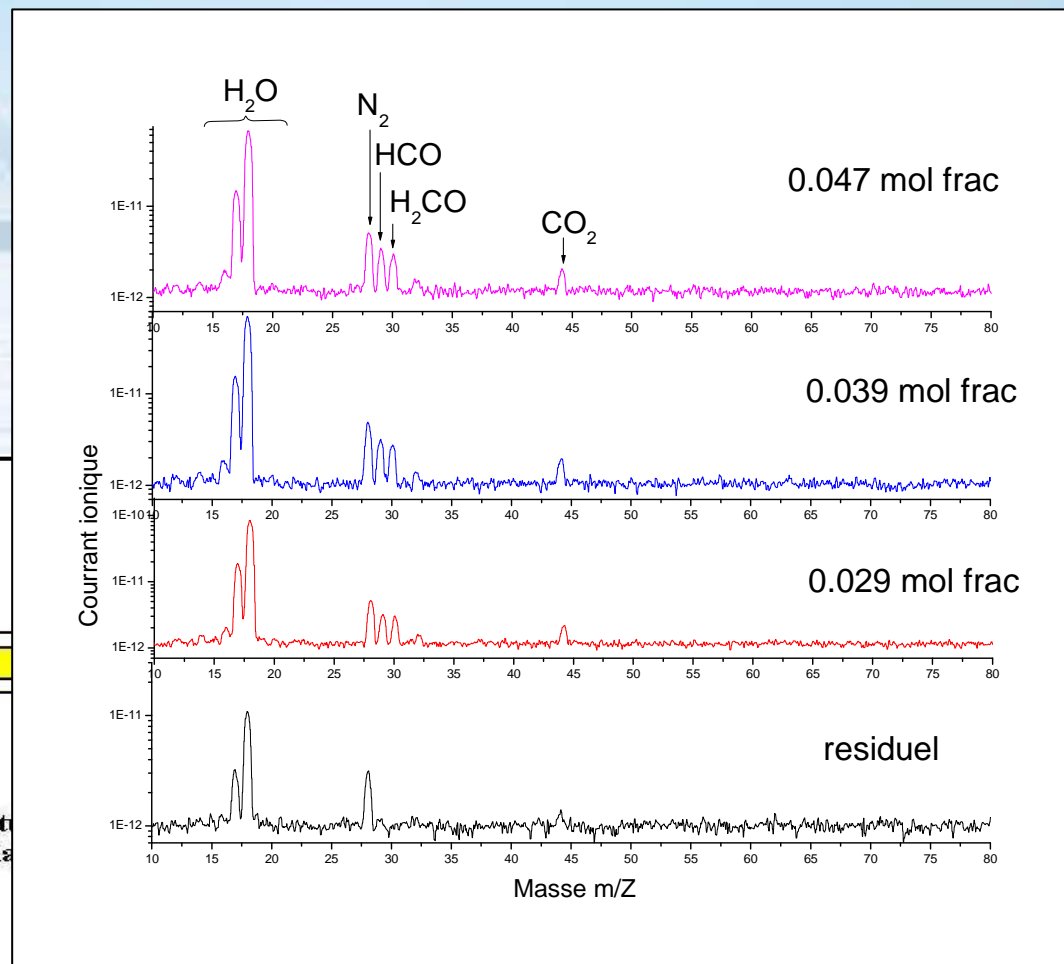
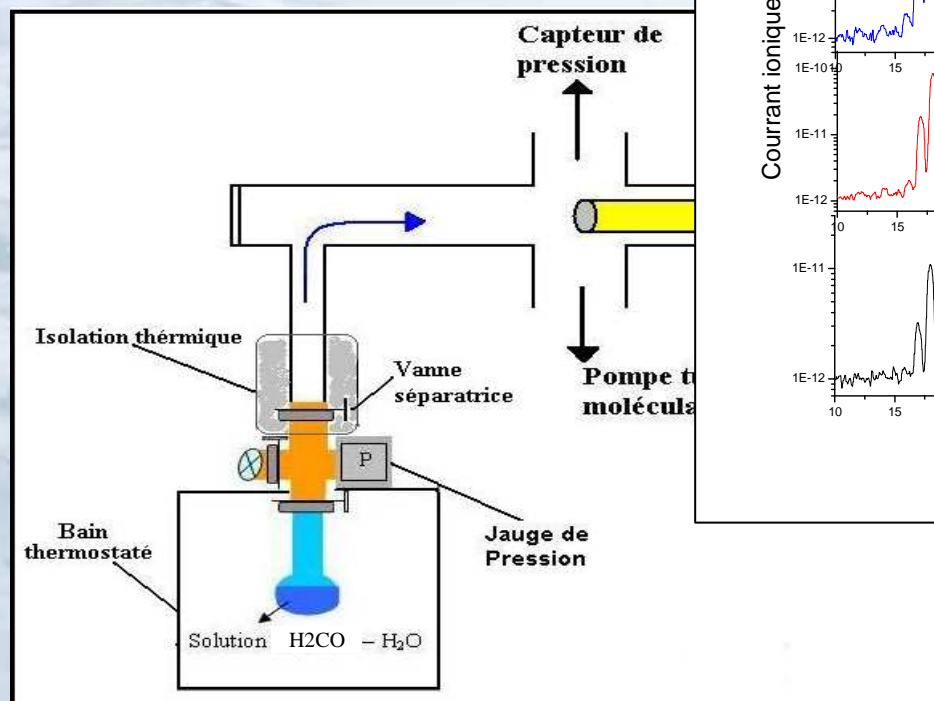
# 1. Gas + condensed phase composition of H<sub>2</sub>O:H<sub>2</sub>CO

**Mass spectrometry:**

Gas Phase: H<sub>2</sub>O+ H<sub>2</sub>CO

Liquide Phase:

oligomers (HO(H<sub>2</sub>CO)<sub>n</sub>H)

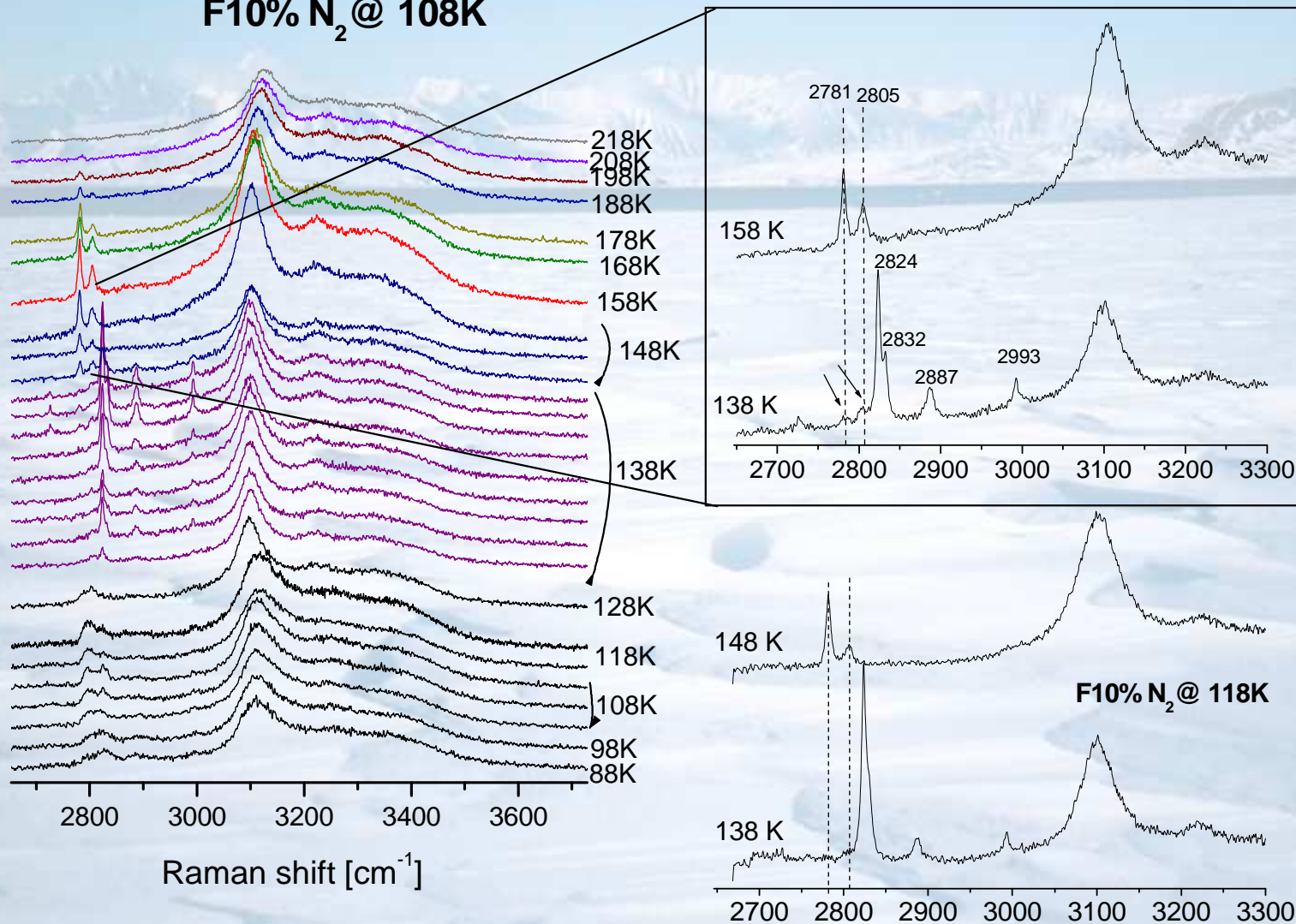


*M<sub>48</sub> (HOCH<sub>2</sub>OH) absent*

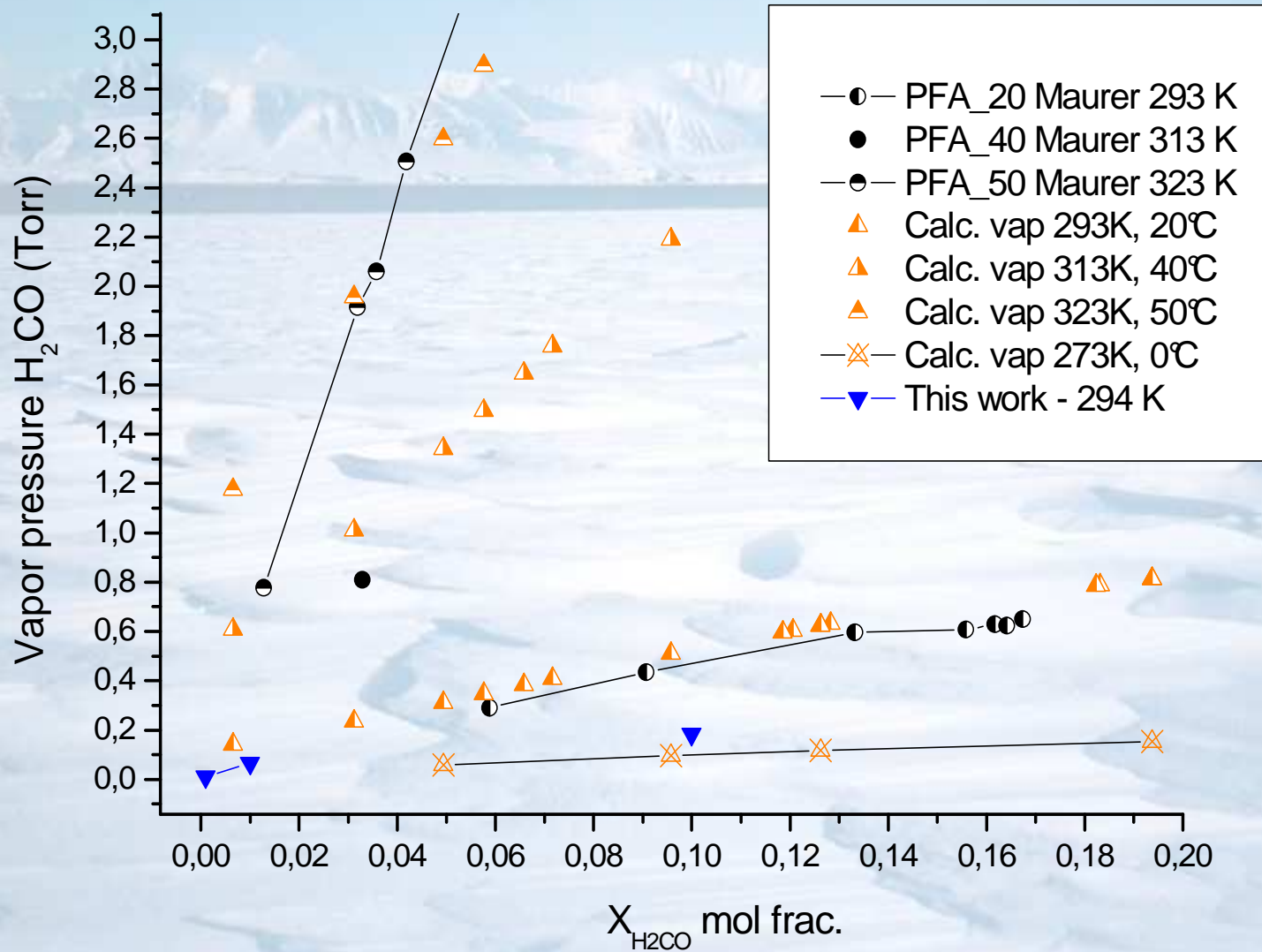
**→ next talk!**

# Influence of external gas phase conditions

F10% N<sub>2</sub> @ 108K

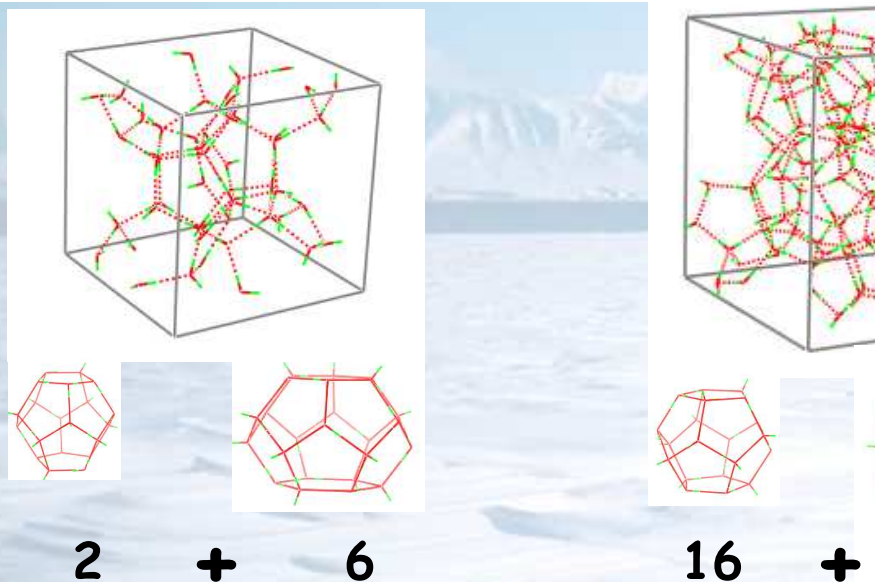


HCHO-hydrates free of Nitrogen

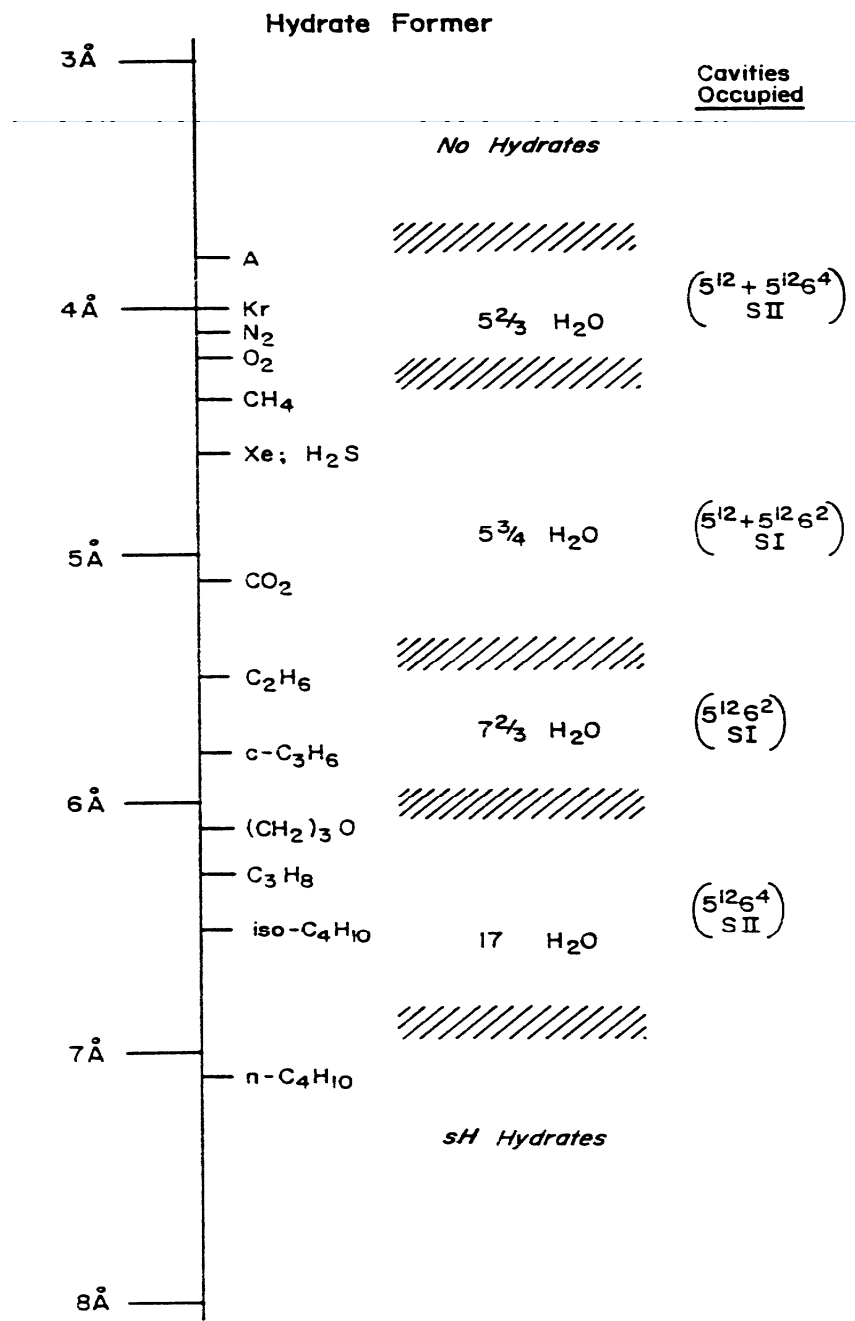


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# Classification with the size of gas molecule



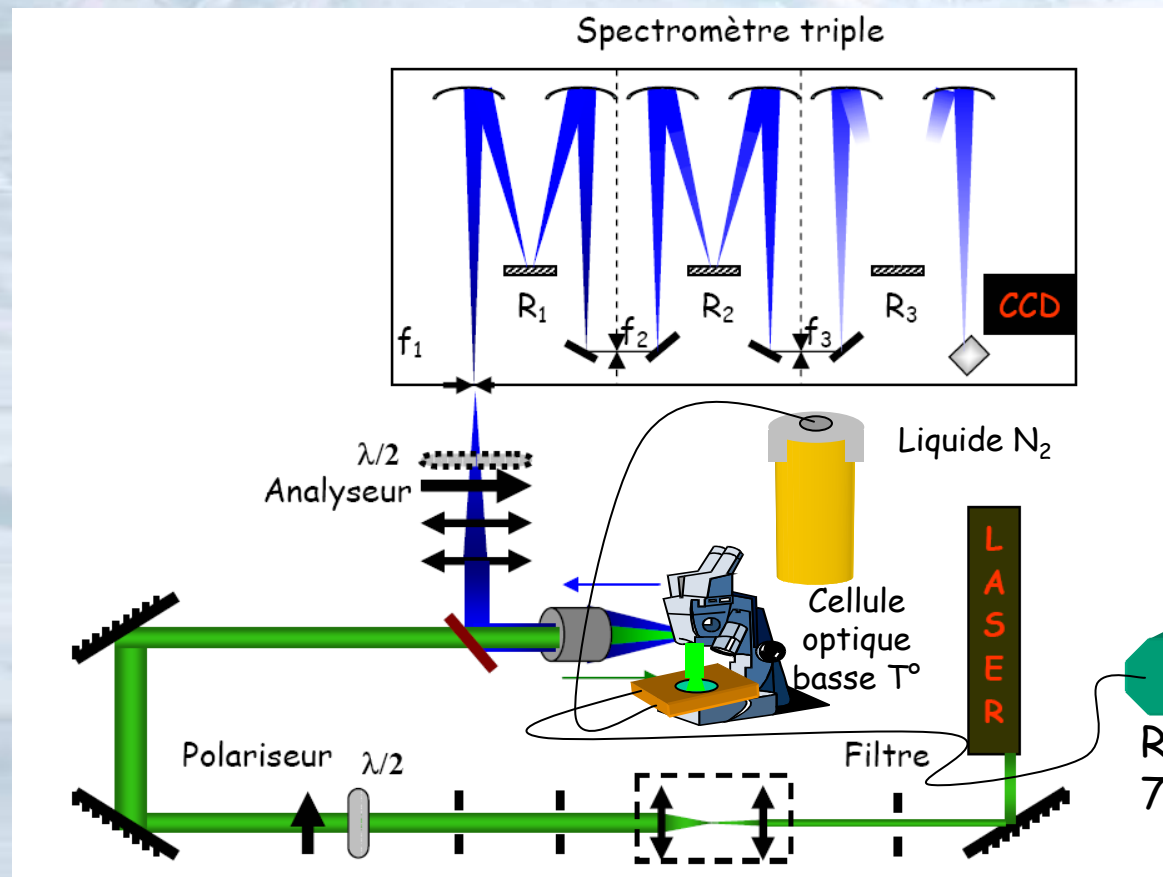
I		Structure	II
Small	Large	Cavity	Small
$5^{12}$	$5^{12}6^2$	Description	$5^{12}$
2	6	Numbers of cavities / unit cell	16
3.95	4.33	Mean radius of a cavity (Å)	3.91
20	24	Coordination number	20
46		Number of water molecules / unit cell	136
G-5.75H <sub>2</sub> O		Stoichiometry (max.)	G-5.66I



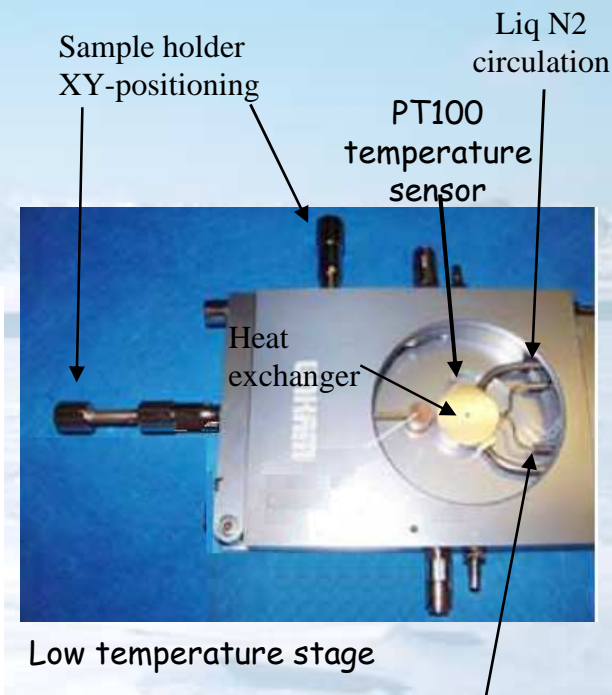


# Experimental set-up

## Micro-Raman spectroscopy



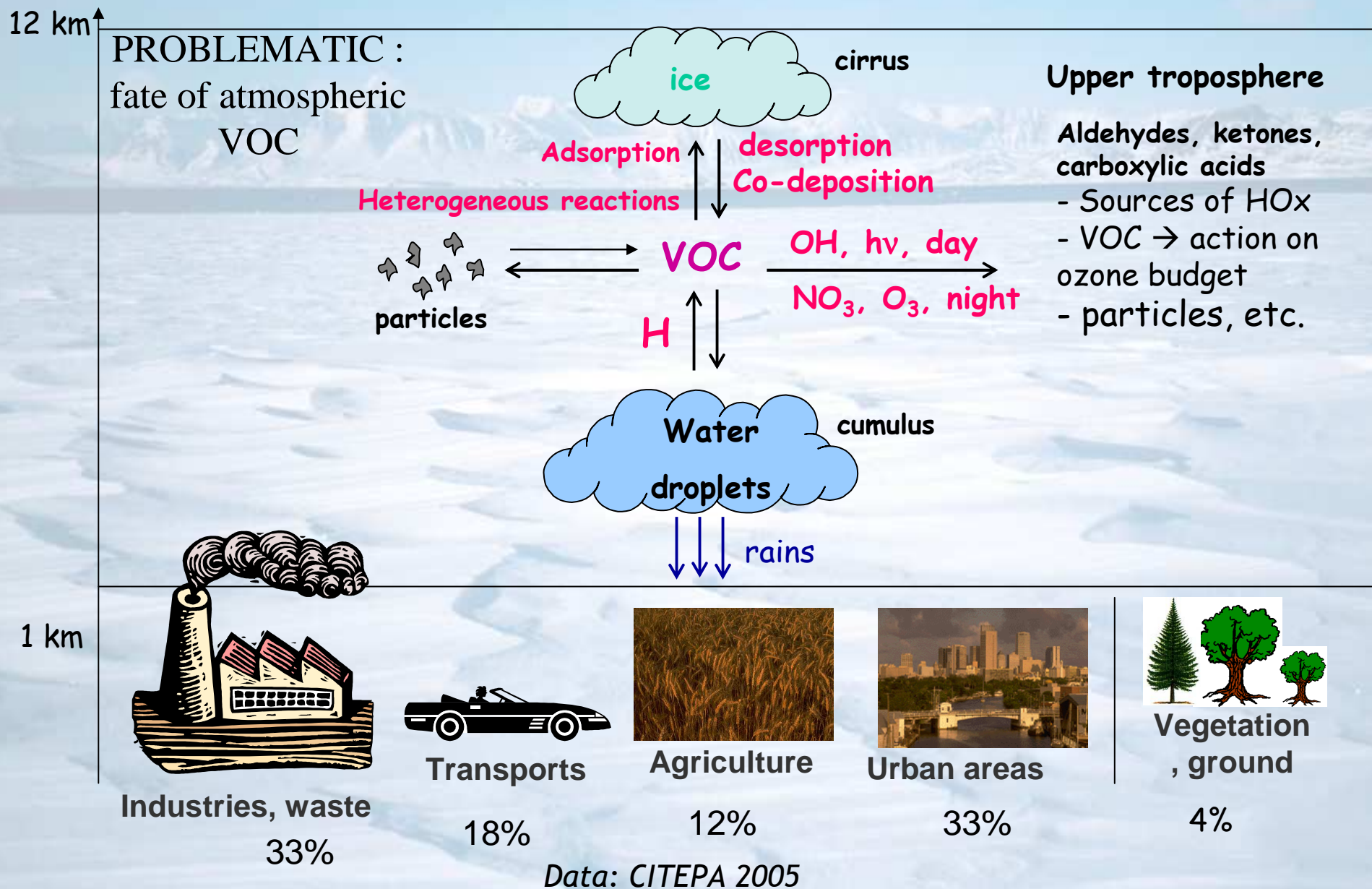
Raman spectrometer



Electric connection for heating

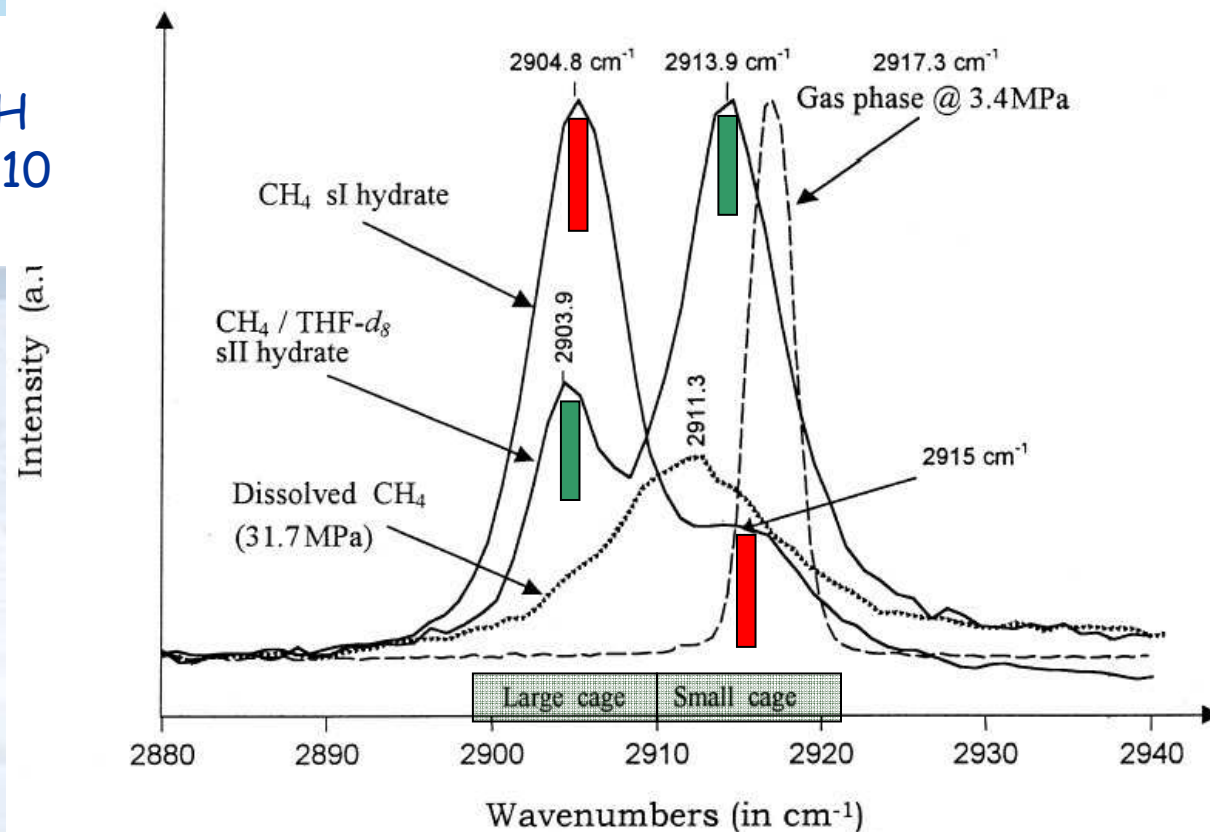


## Central role of VOC in atmospheric chemistry



## Discrimination between different structures

Raman shift and splitting of the C-H band of methane (~ 10 cm<sup>-1</sup>)

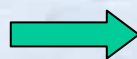


*Subramanian & Sloan, Fluid Phase Equil. 158-160, 813 (1999)*

Raman intensity:

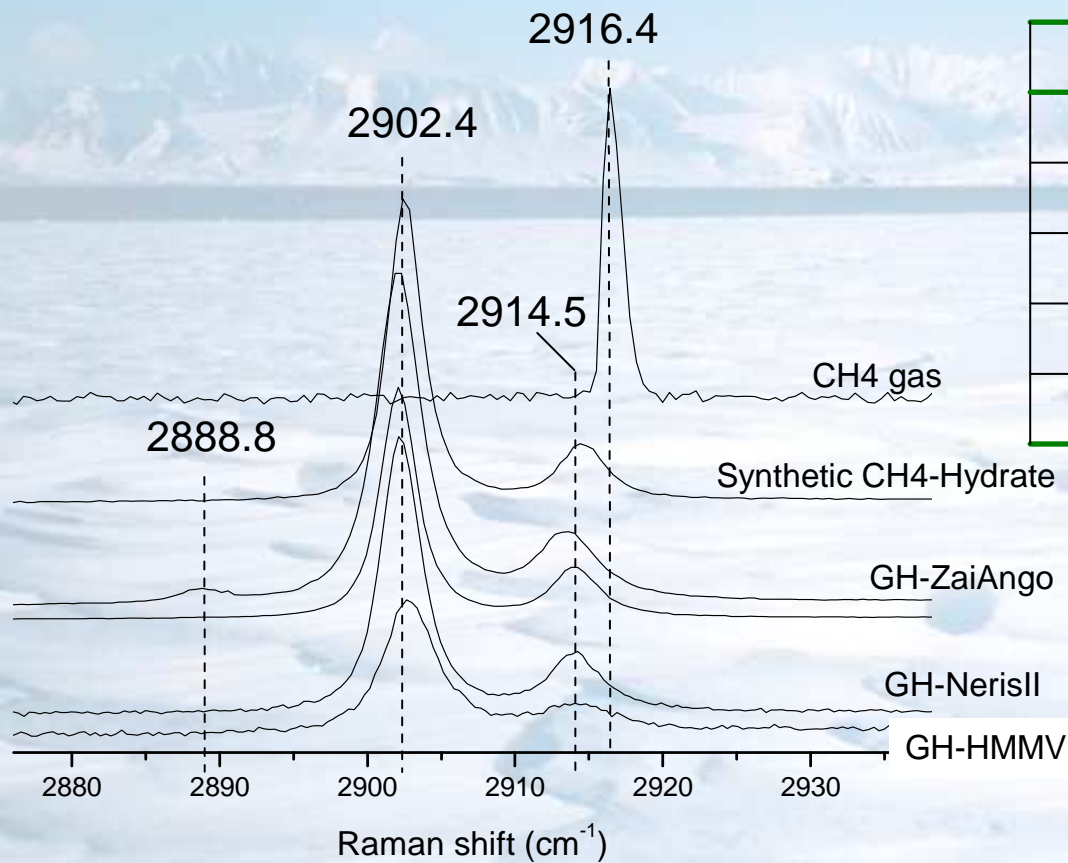
$$\theta_{LC} / \theta_{SC} = I_{LC} / (3 I_{SC}) \quad \text{Type I}$$

$$I \propto I_0 N_i \sigma_r f$$



$$\theta_{LC} / \theta_{SC} = (2 I_{LC}) / I_{SC} \quad \text{Type II}$$

## Raman spectra of the natural gas hydrates (Congo-Angola margin)



Hydrate	$\theta_{SC} / \theta_{LC}$
ZaiAngo	$0.86 \pm 0.03$
Neris II	$0.81 \pm 0.02$
HMMV	$0.8 \pm 0.1$
CH <sub>4</sub> -hydrate	$0.78 \pm 0.02$
H <sub>2</sub> S-hydrate	$0.95 \pm 0.1$

- Splitting of the C-H stretching
- Downshift / vapor phase



**Type I**

## Conclusion: importance of in-situ experimental conditions control of (p, T, X)

- Gas incorporation at low pressure:

Co-deposition:

Amorphous phase @ 88 K → hydrate formation as T increases

Catalytic action of EtOH:  $T_{\text{cryst}}$  ↘ (T < 140 K) as [EtOH] ↗

Direct crystallization for deposition @ 180 K (≠ growth mechanism)

Influence of external gas pressure

Molecular  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}$  isolated by co-deposition (distinct hydrate

phases)

Micro-porosity facilitate the adsorption and incorporation of  $\text{N}_2$  gas in the structure

Incorporation of  $\text{N}_2$  reduced when added @ T ~ 120K

- Gas incorporation at high pressure:

natural samples: methane hydrates structure I

Influence of the gas composition on the physical properties

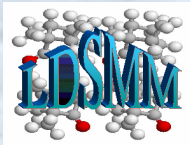
### Perspective

- Extension to other p, T, X conditions (closer to **atmospheric** conditions)
- Work out conditions for enhanced Raman scattering analysis (detection limit)
- Development of high pressure apparatus to study kinetics of hydrate formation and trapping of  $\text{CO}_2$

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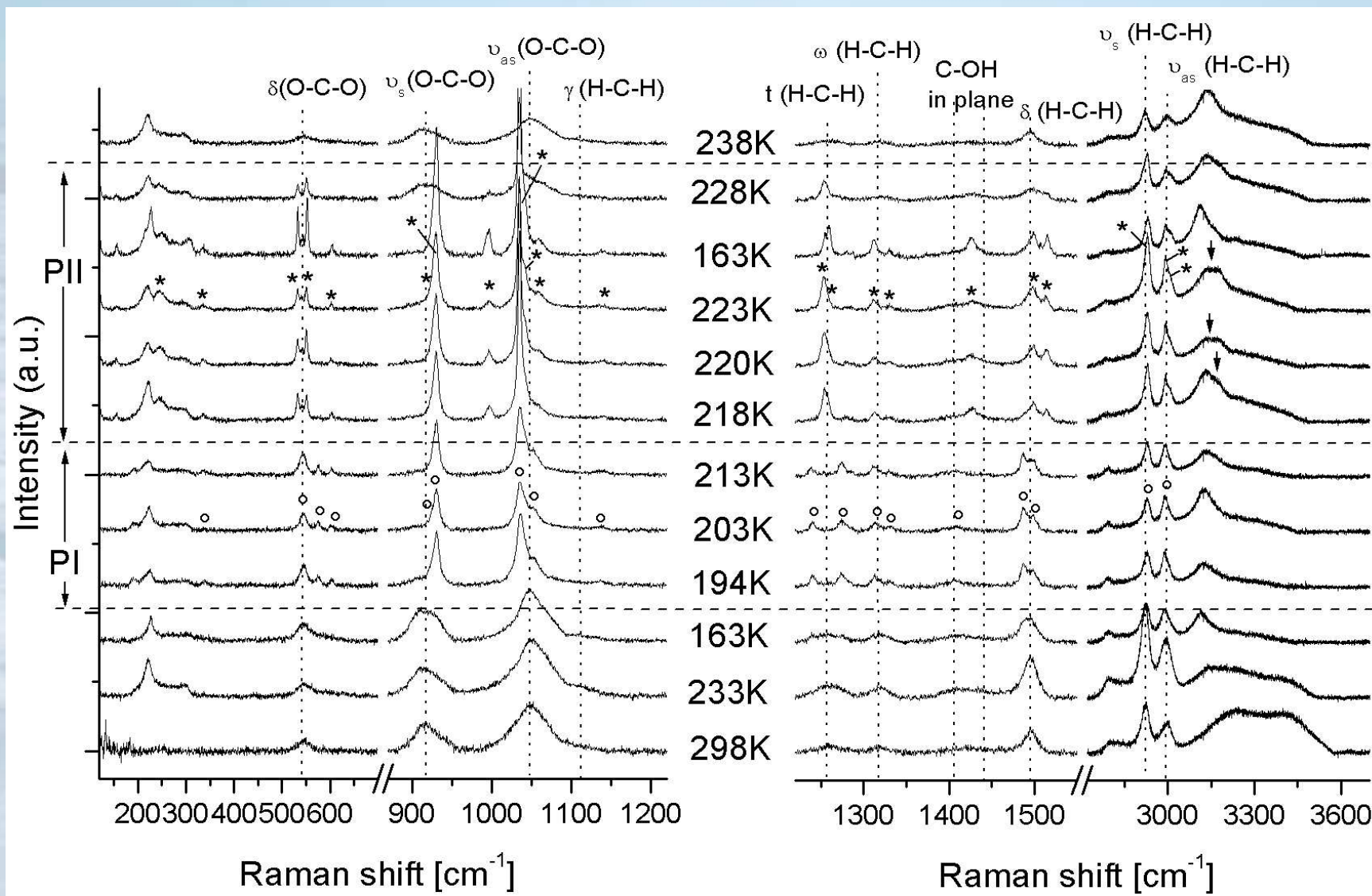
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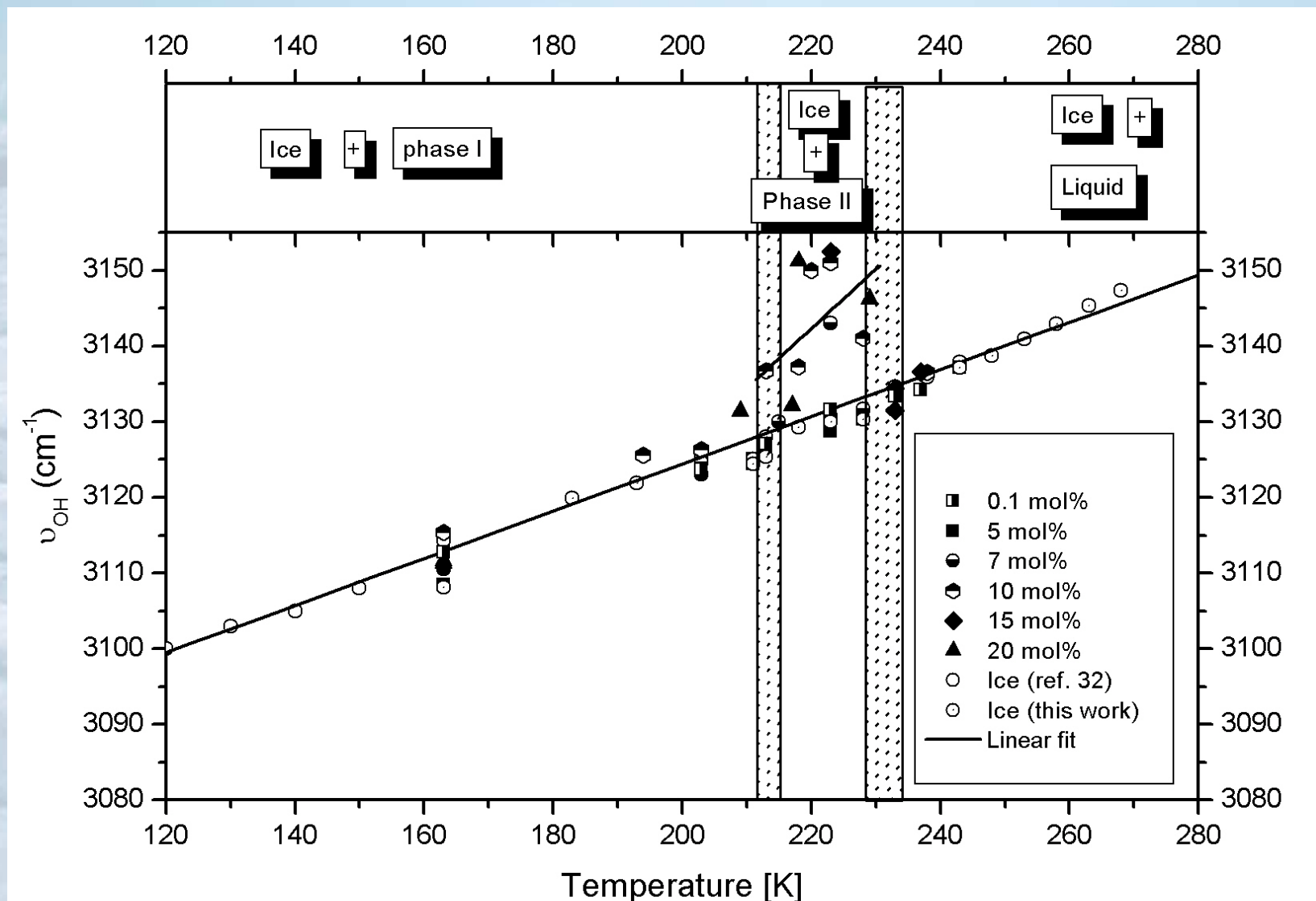
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## Frozen aqueous solutions H<sub>2</sub>CO 10 mol%

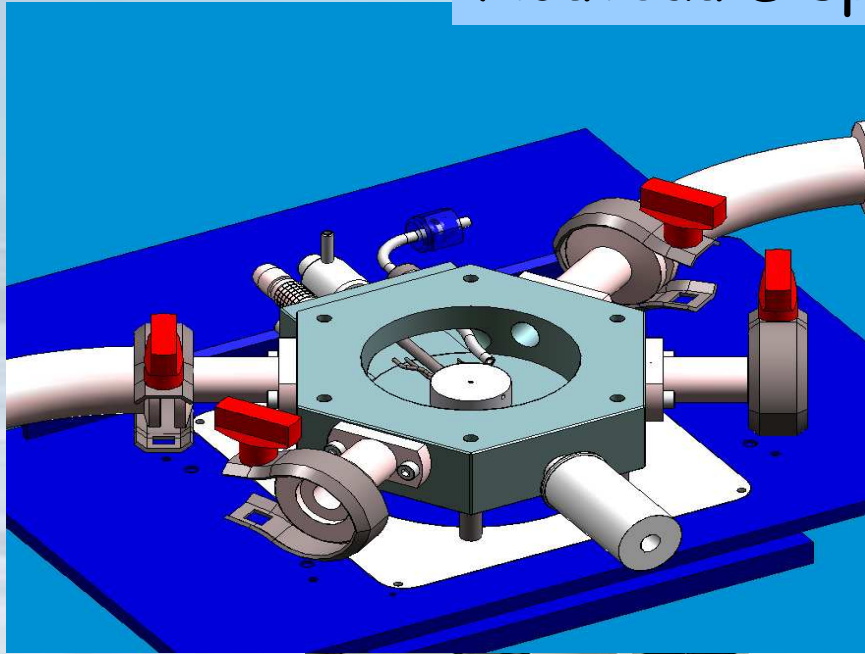


## Evolution of $\nu(\text{OH})$ with $T^\circ$





## Nouveau Dispositif expérimental



### Cellule Linkam

Gamme de T°: 77 K - 400 K (extensible à 10 K)

Rampe jusqu'à: 130 K /min

Stabilité < 0.1 K

Surface de l'échantillon ~ 22 mm

Vide limite: **2. 10<sup>-7</sup> mbar**

Résistance en platine

Echangeur: inox / cuivre

4 + 1 ports d'entrée / spectromètre de masse





## Dispositif expérimental

Spectromètre  
T64000



PhLAM

Focale: 640 mm

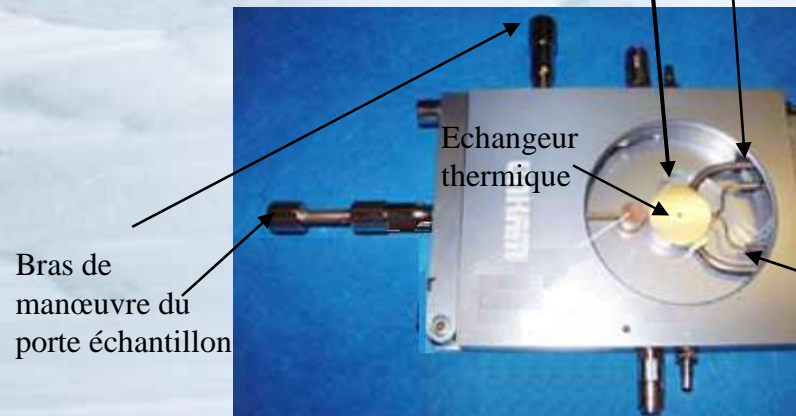
Collaboration avec Y. Guinet (LDSMM)



Spectromètre  
XY-Dilor

Focale: 800 mm  
Réseaux: 1800 traits/mm  
Fente d'entrée: 200  $\mu$ m  
Puissance laser à  
l'échantillon: ~ 5 mW @  
514.5 nm

Circuit d'azote  
liquide  
Capteur de  
température PT100



Bras de  
manœuvre du  
porte échantillon

Echangeur  
thermique



Connexion  
électrique  
pour le  
chauffage

Gamme de T°: 77 K - 400 K  
Rampe jusqu'à: 130 K /min  
Stabilité < 0.1 K  
Surface de l'échantillon 22 mm  
Vide limite: 10<sup>-3</sup> mbar  
Résistance en platine  
Echangeur en argent

Cellule Linkam FDCS 196

## Neige

Milieu multiphasique complexe:  
air, glace, aérosols

Milieu idéal pour la détection des  
interactions gaz-glace:

- Glace/air plus favorable que nuages
- Accès facile
- Echantillonnage et mesures plus aisées
- Processus semblables à ceux des nuages

