



Broadband spectroscopy of astrophysical ice analogues: reconstruction of CO and CO₂ ice optical properties

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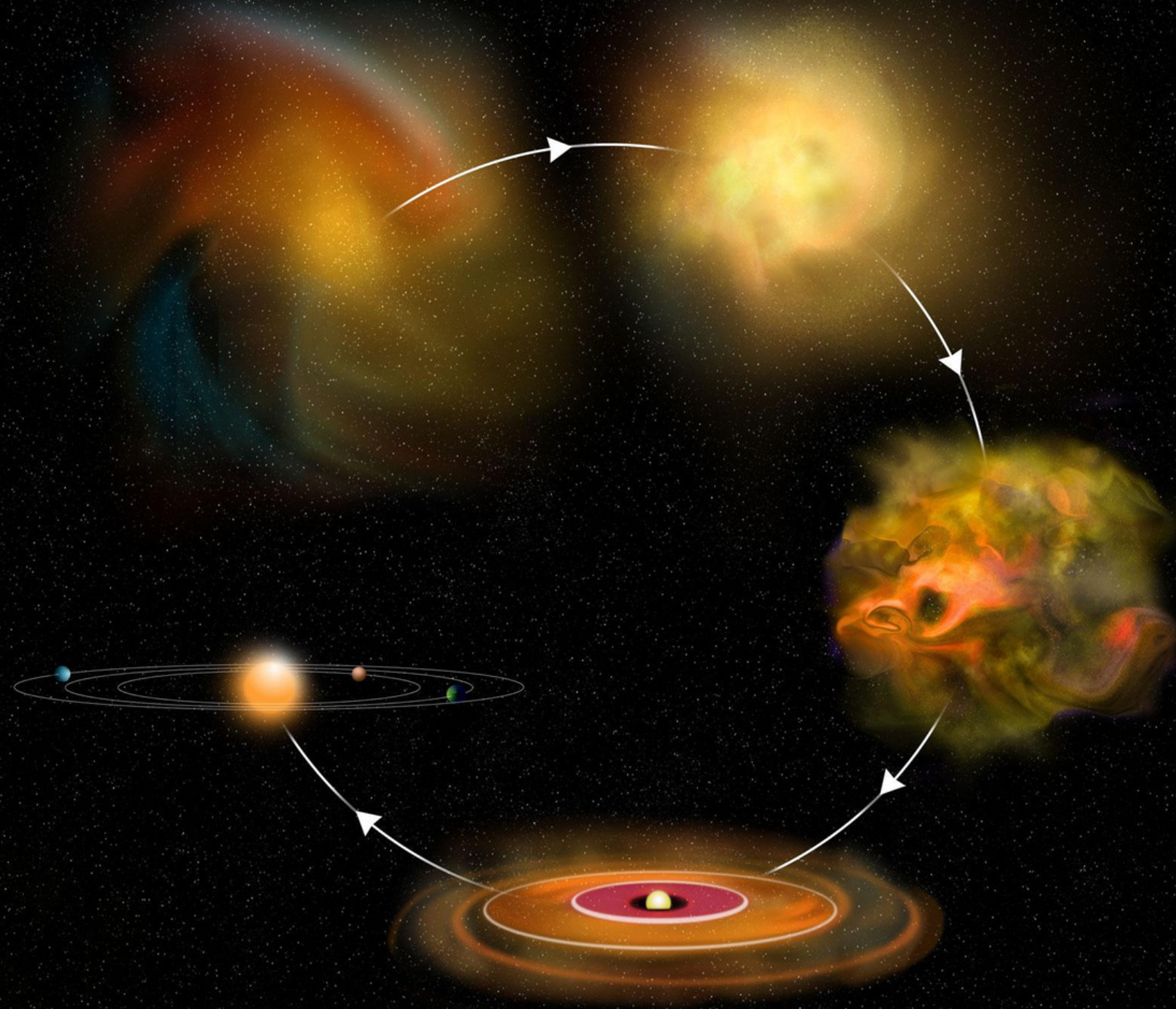
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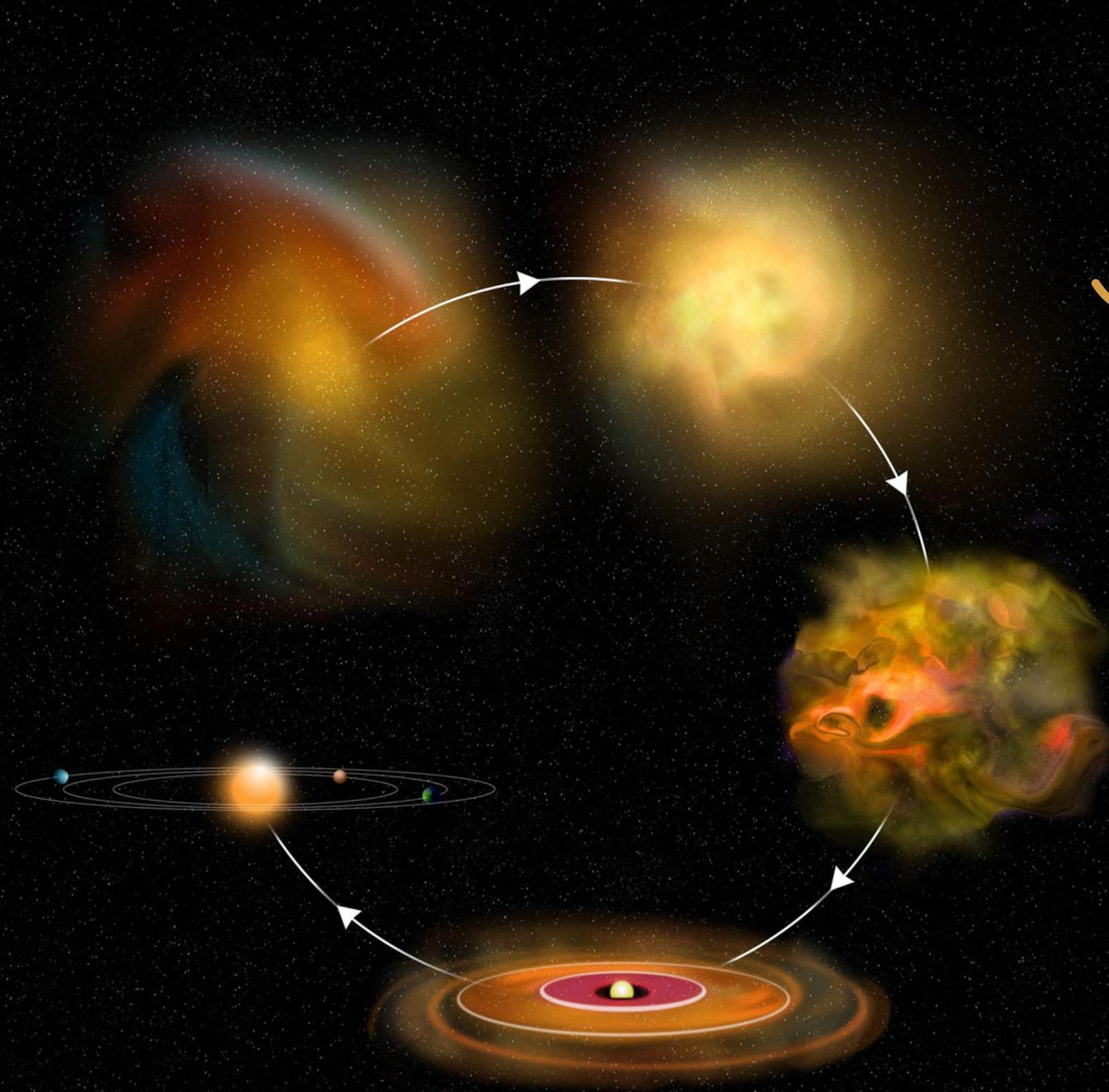


Molecular composition is a tool to reveal the structure, evolution and dynamics of star- and planet-forming regions

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MOLECULAR DETECTION

gas

about 270
molecules

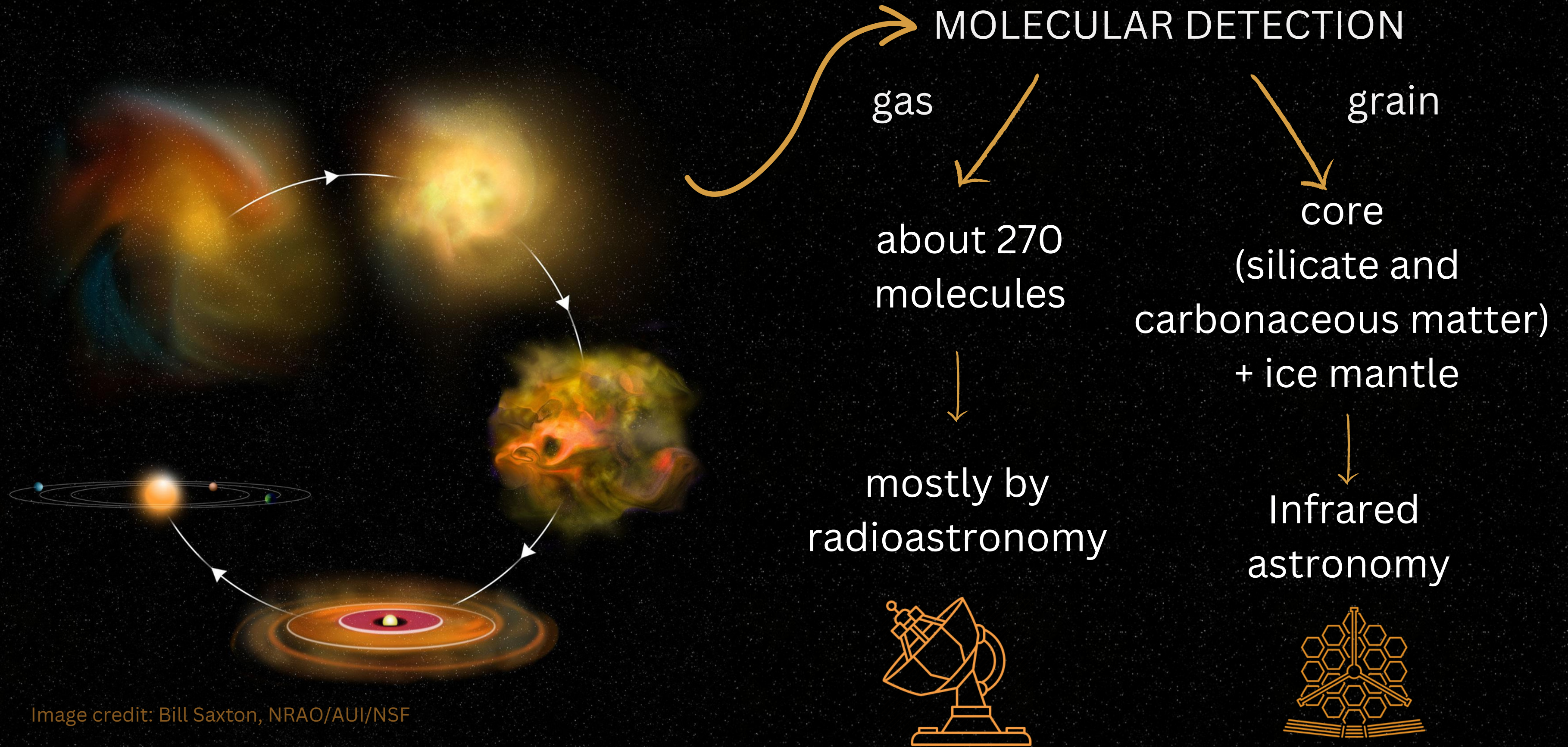
mostly by
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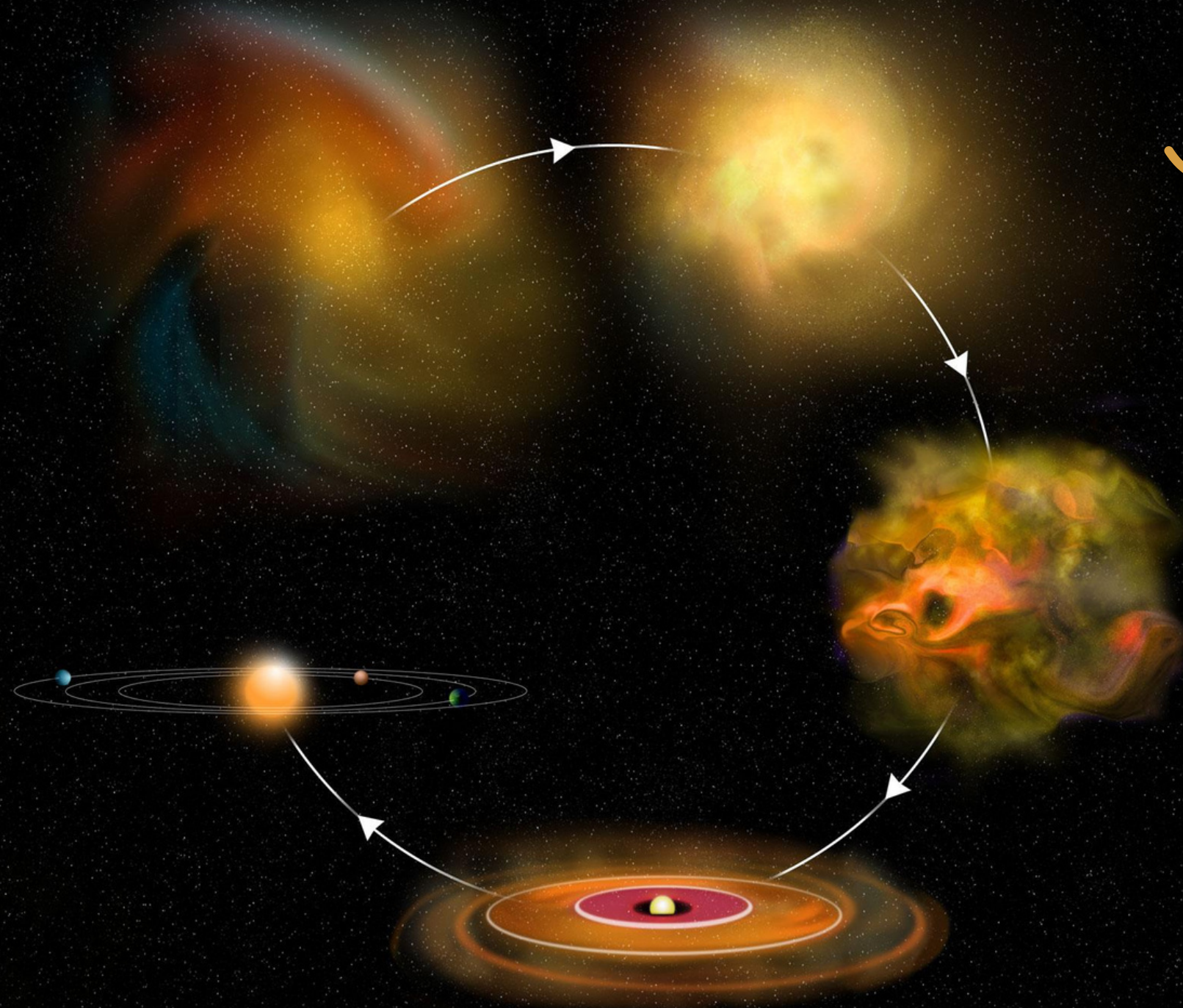
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MOLECULAR DETECTION



grain
↓
core
(silicate and
carbonaceous matter)
+ ice mantle

↓
Infrared
astronomy



Near and Mid-IR
depends on
lines-of-sight

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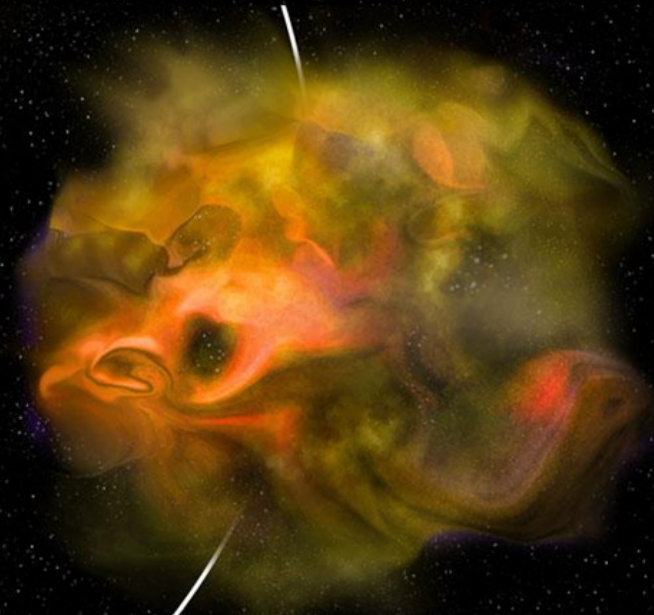
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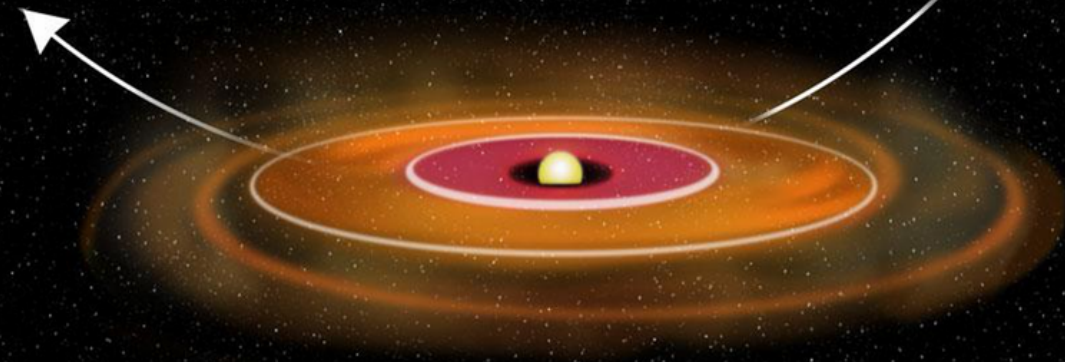
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Caselli+1999, +2022
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Challenge to obtain information in the cold and dense regions of ISM



Protoplanetary disks

mid-planes
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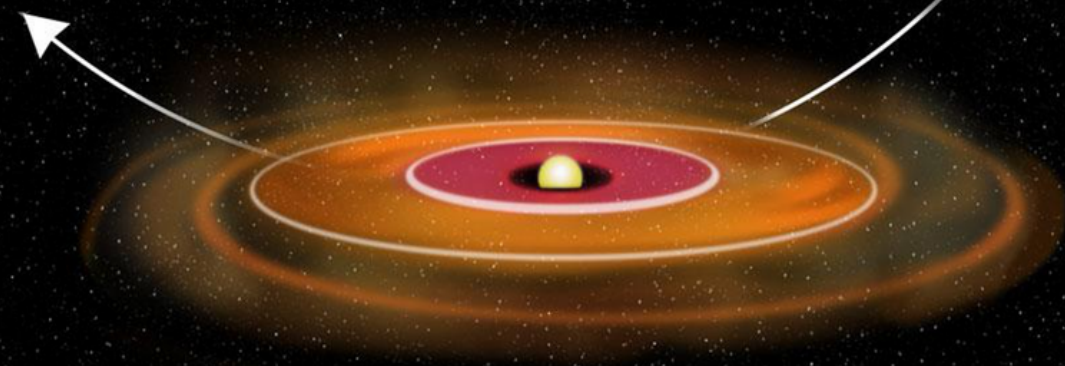
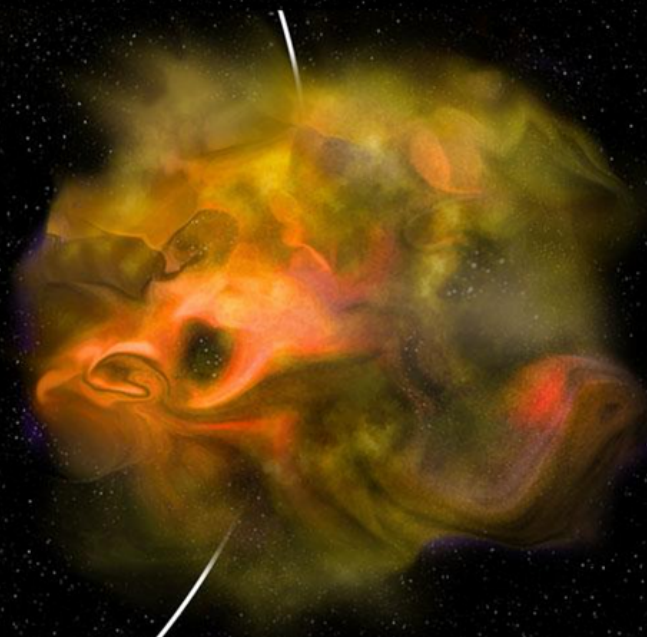
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Use continuum emission in the FIR/THz

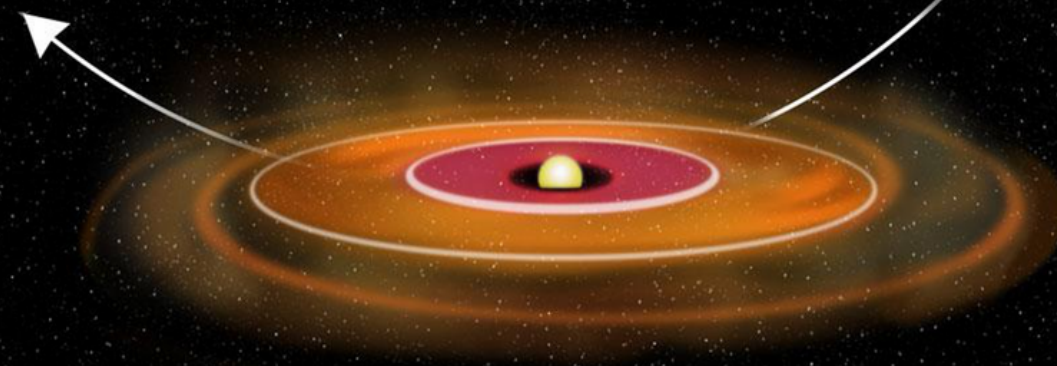
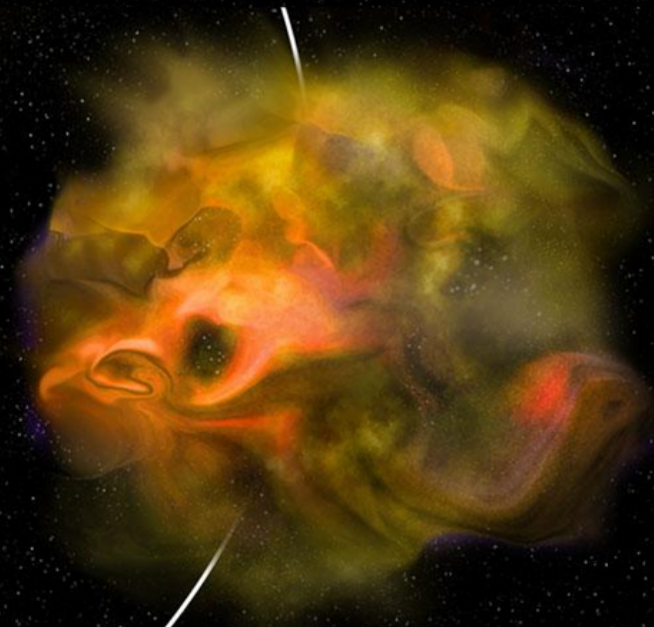
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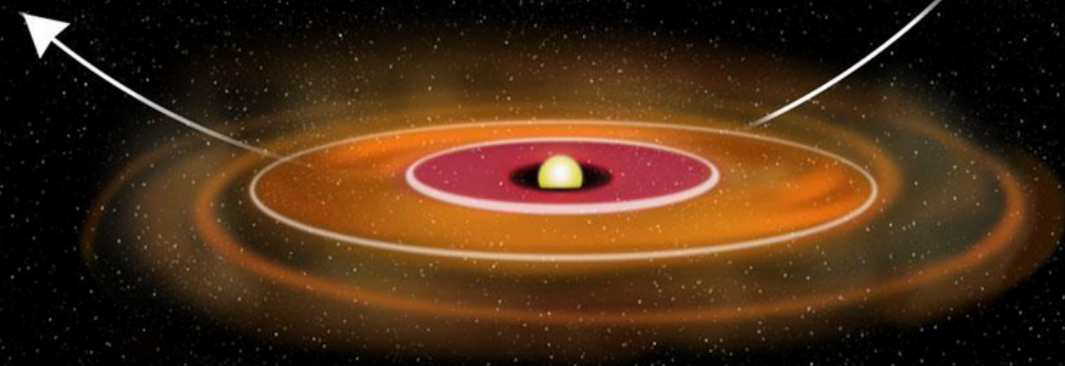
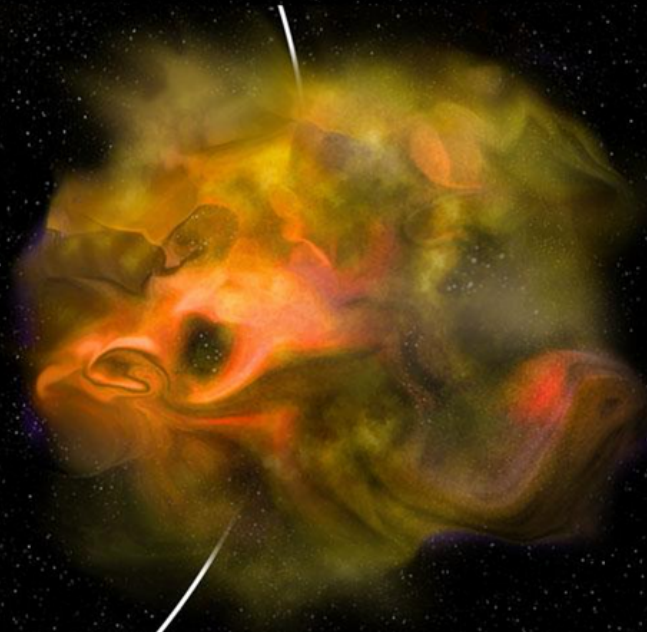
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Dust opacities
K. Demyk talk!

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...and how Time-Domain Spectroscopy can avoid long calculations

Optical constants m describe how the electromagnetic radiation interacts with a material

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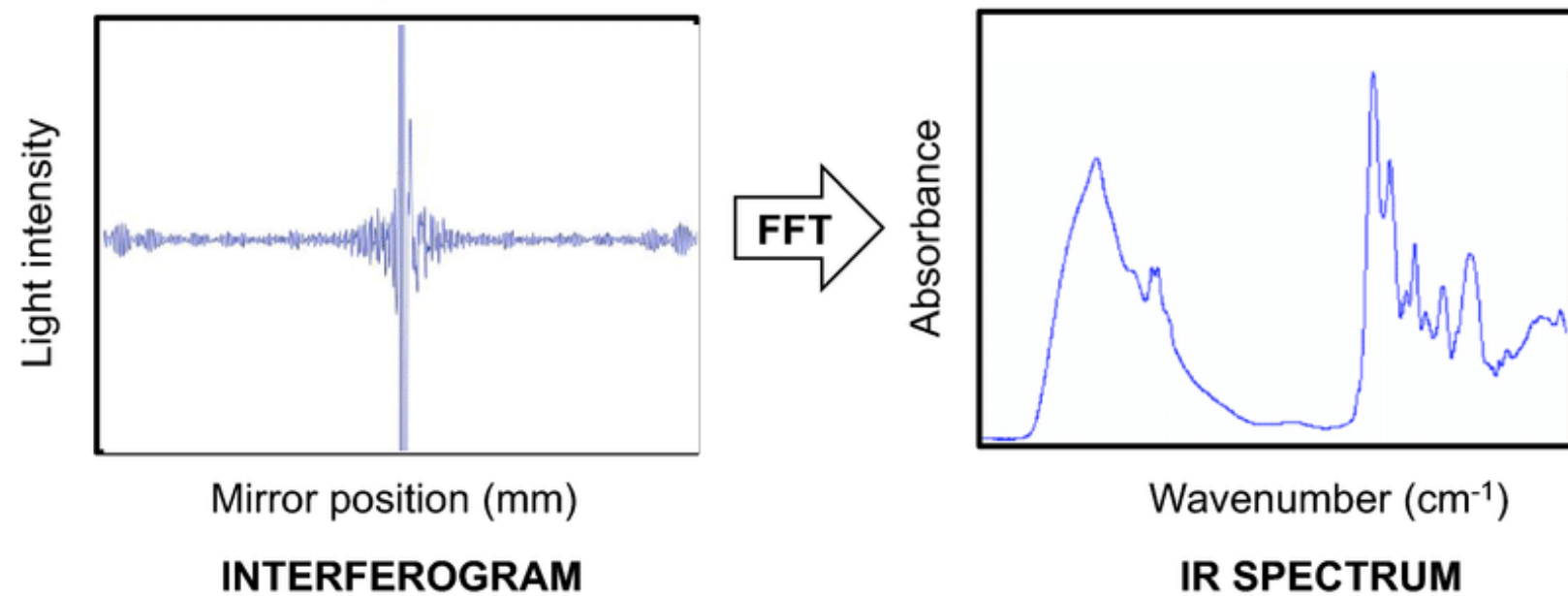
refractive index

absorption coefficient

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Experimentally FTIR spectroscopy is used to obtain them



It contains only the amplitude information, and thus the complex dielectric permittivity cannot be directly reconstructed

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$$n(\nu) = n(\infty) + \frac{2}{\pi} P \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\nu' \kappa(\nu')}{\nu'^2 - \nu^2} d\nu'$$

$$k(\nu) = -\frac{2}{\pi} P \int_0^{\infty} \frac{n(\nu')}{\nu'^2 - \nu^2} d\nu'$$

refractive
index

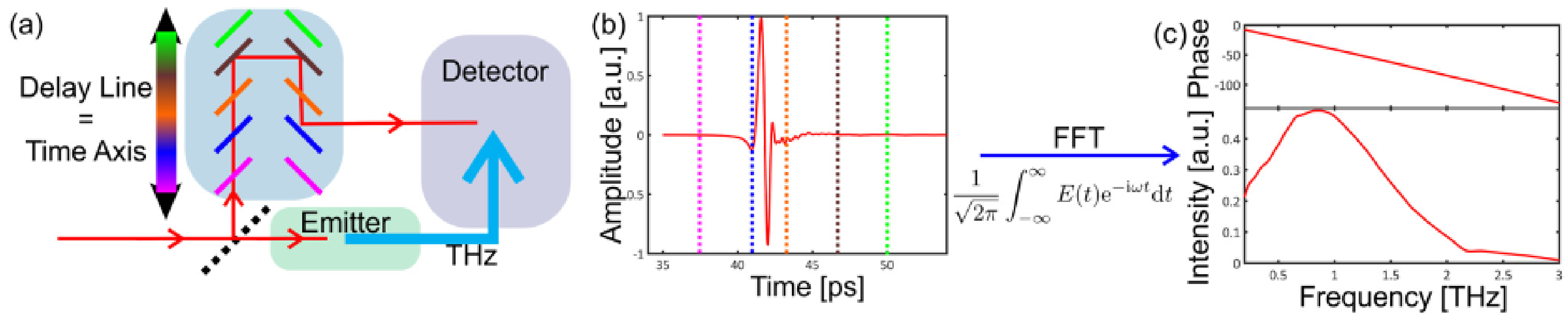
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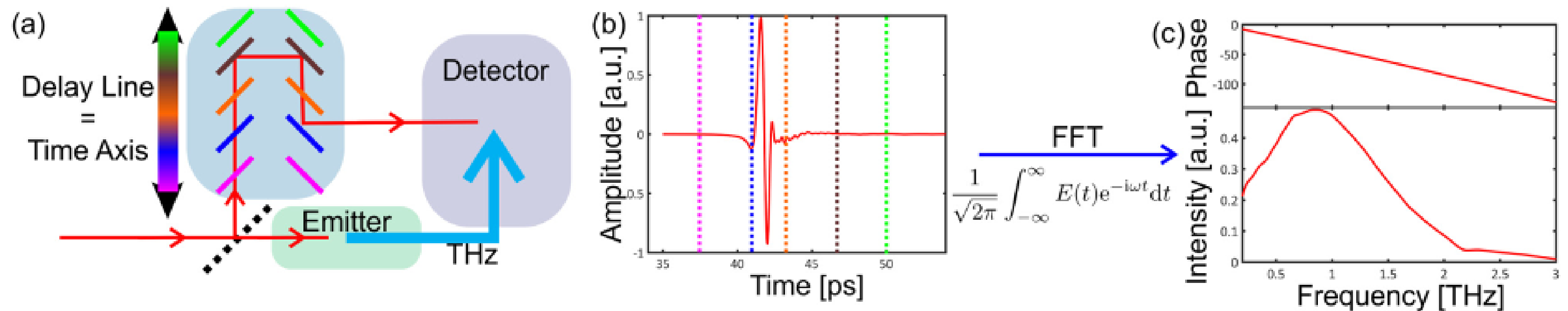


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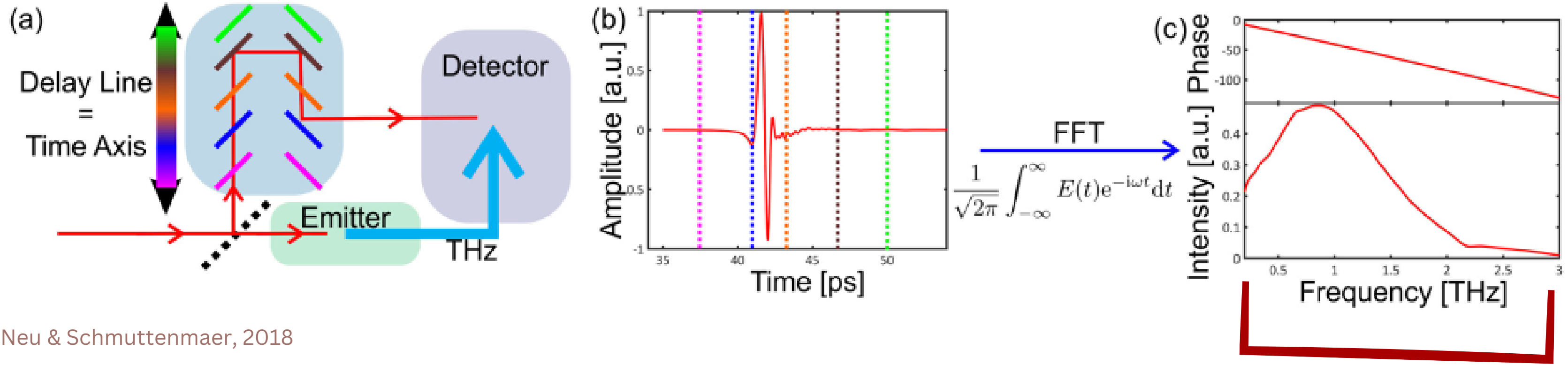
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New algorithm that reconstructs the real and imaginary part of the optical constants without having to use Kramers-Kronig relations (Giuliano+2019)

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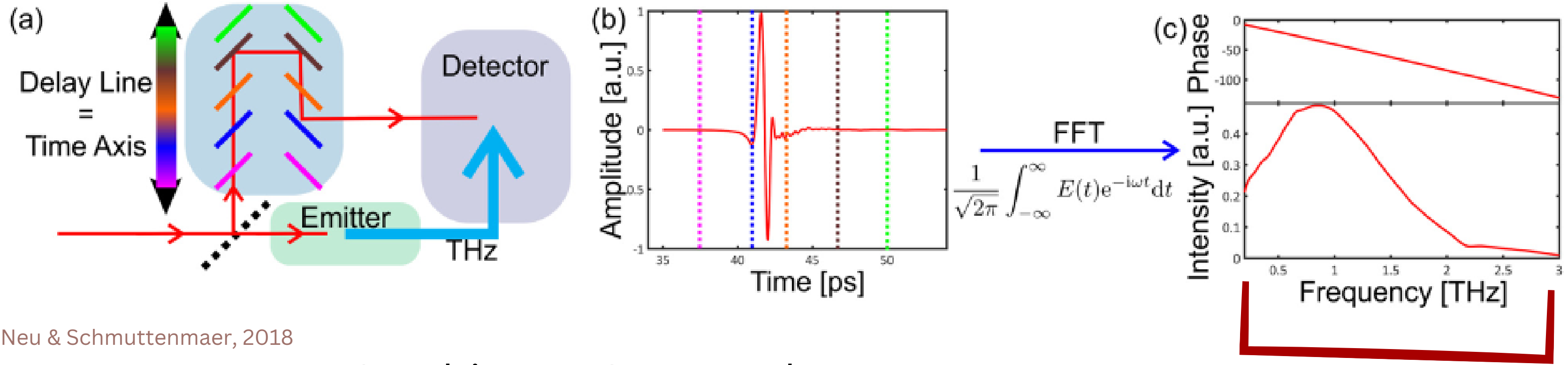
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Combine TDS + FTIR data to directly reconstruct optical constants in a broad range of wavelengths

Gavsdush & Kruczkiewicz+2022

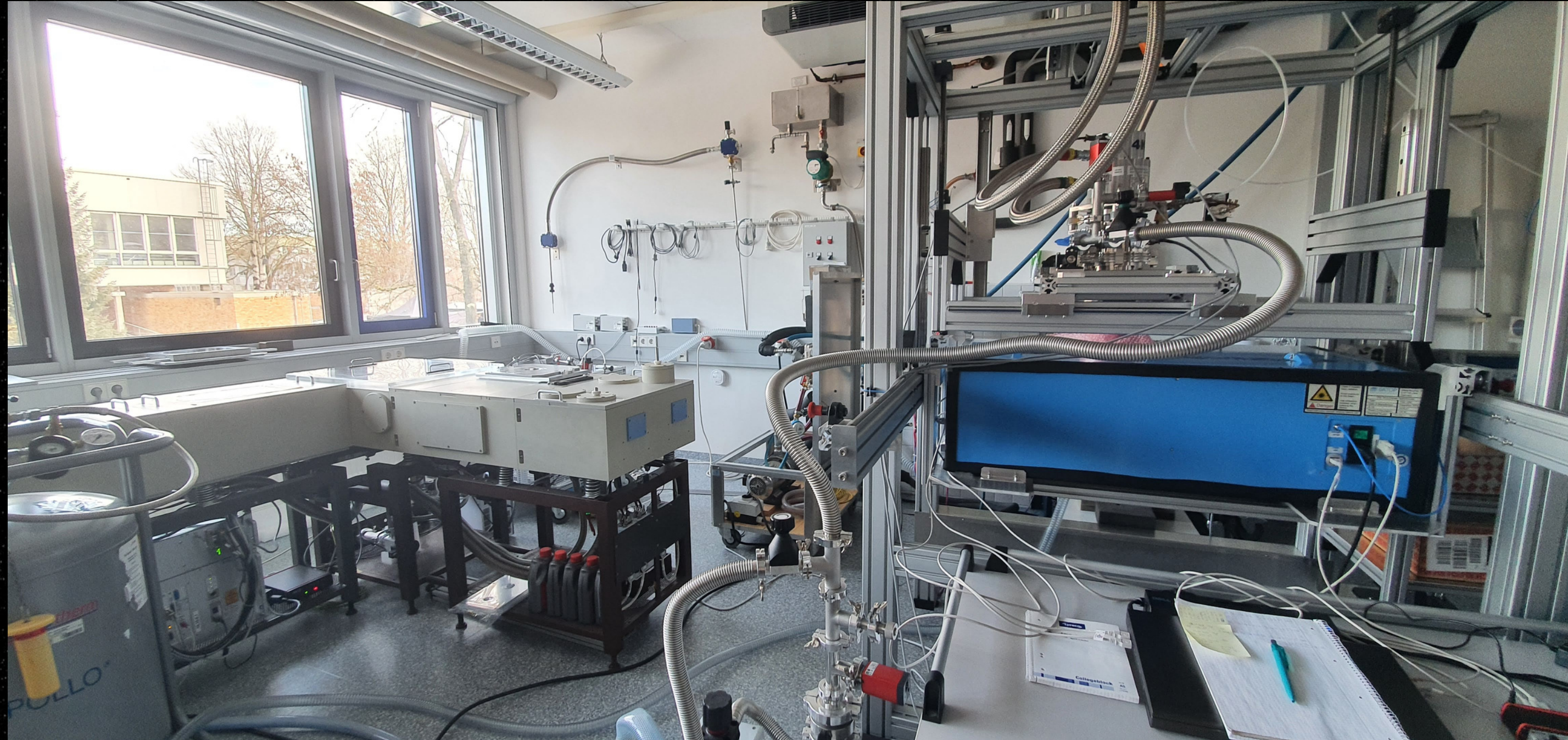
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FTIR spectrometer // THz Time-Domain spectrometer

TIME-DOMAIN AND FTIR SPECTROSCOPY

...and how the experiments are done

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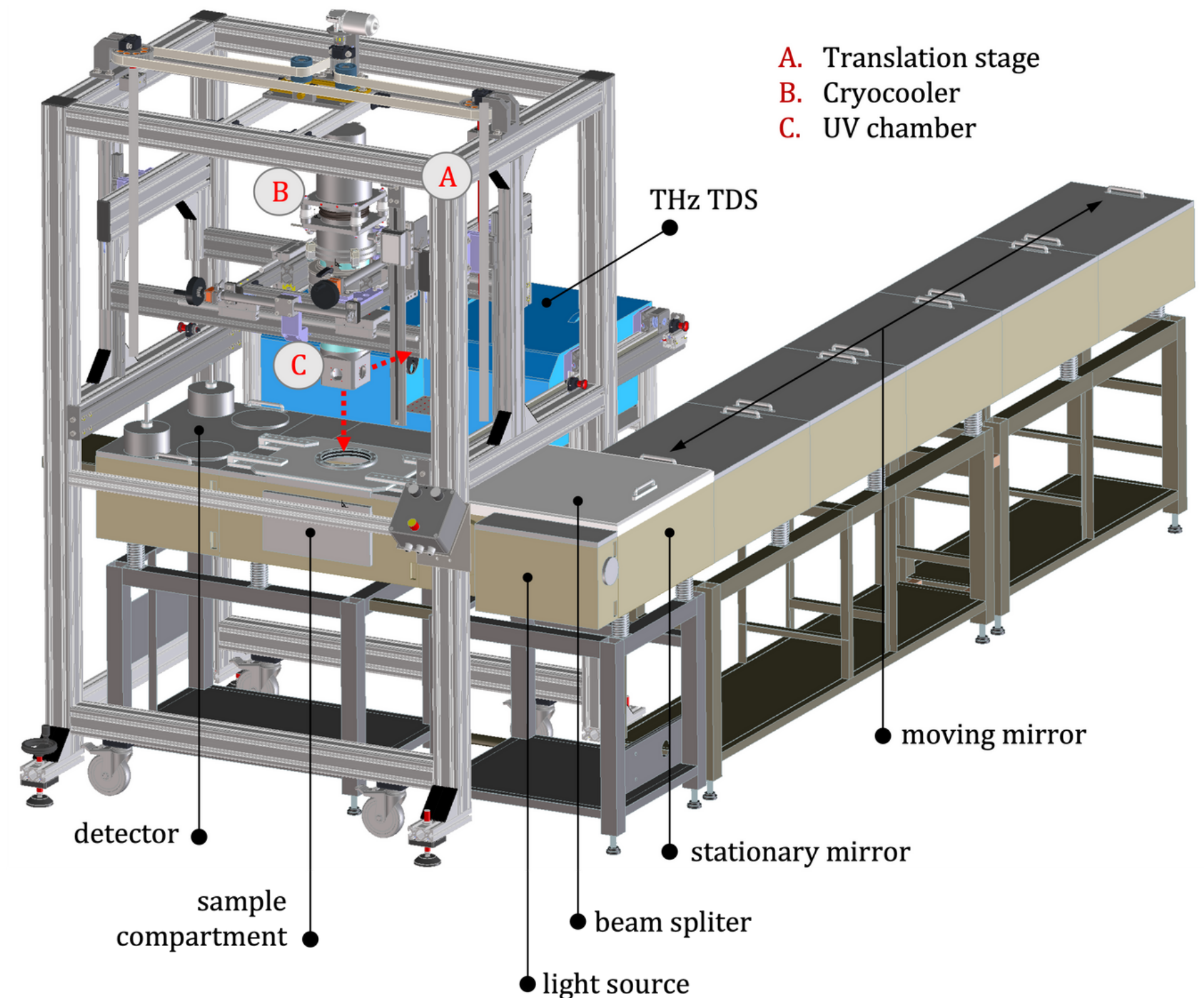
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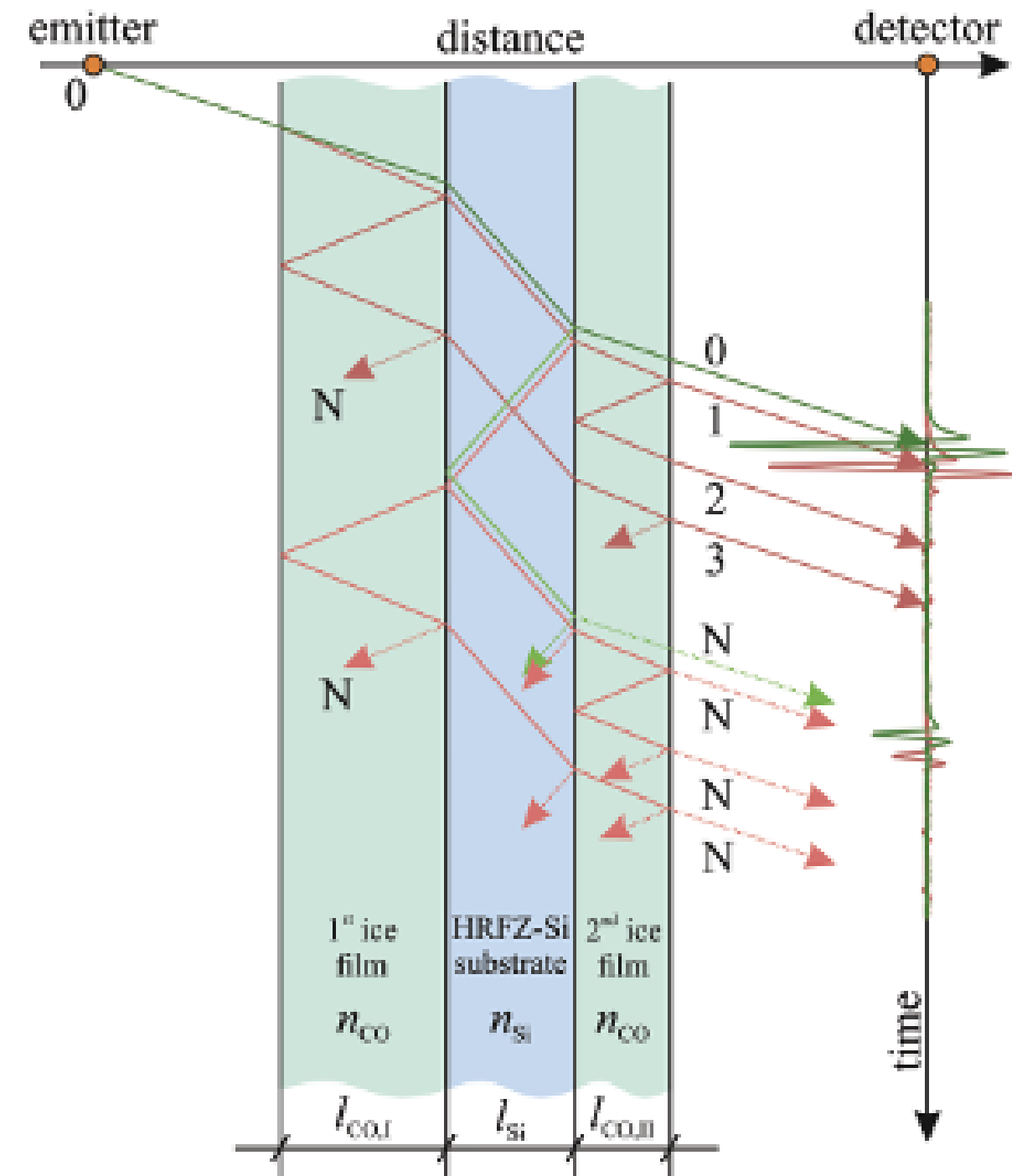
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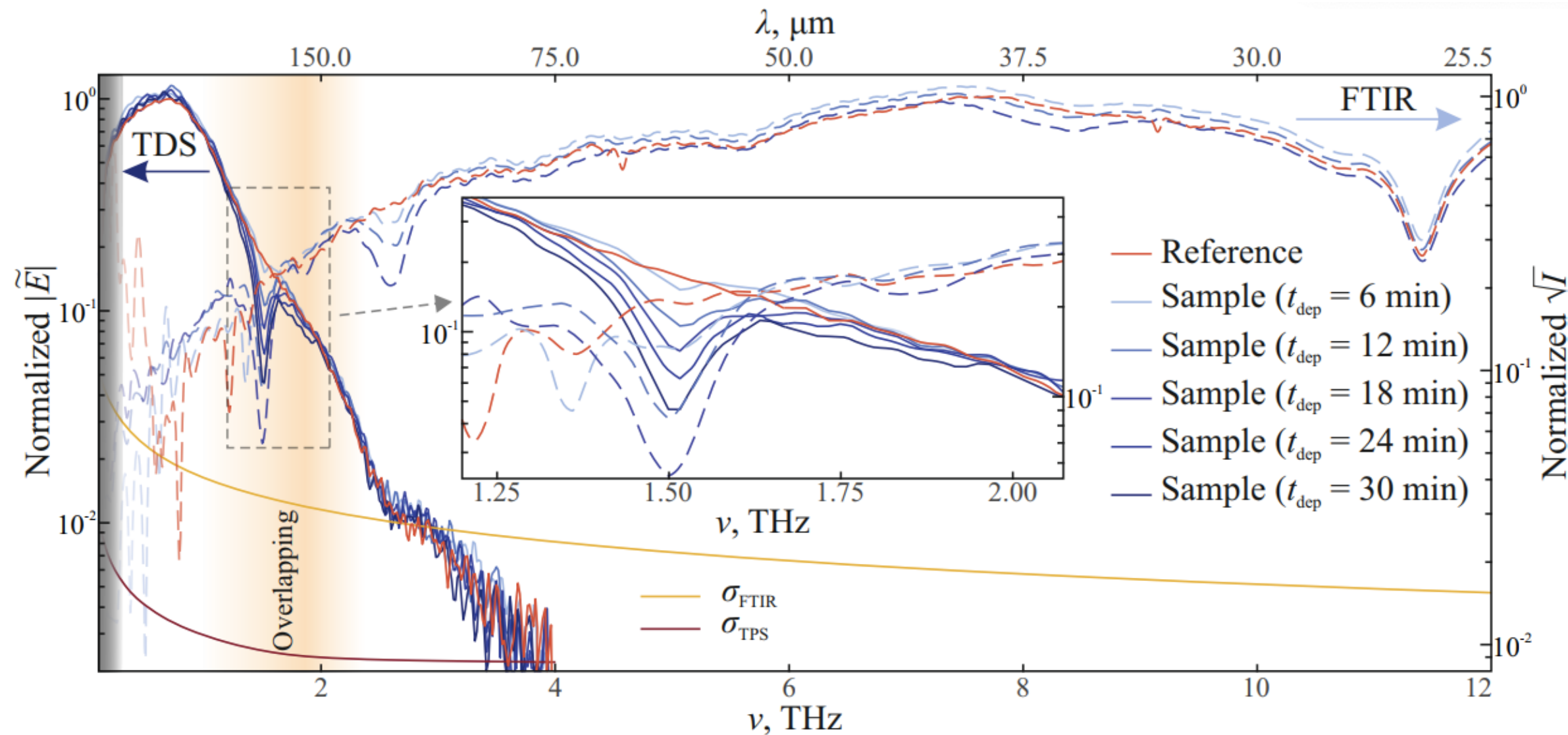
Giuliano+2019

- 0 – ballistic reference pulse
- 1 – ballistic sample pulse
- 2] – satellite sample pulses
- 3]
- N – neglected pulses

BROADBAND SPECTROSCOPY MEASUREMENTS

...and how we merge the data

FTIR 0.1 – 12 THz



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TDS

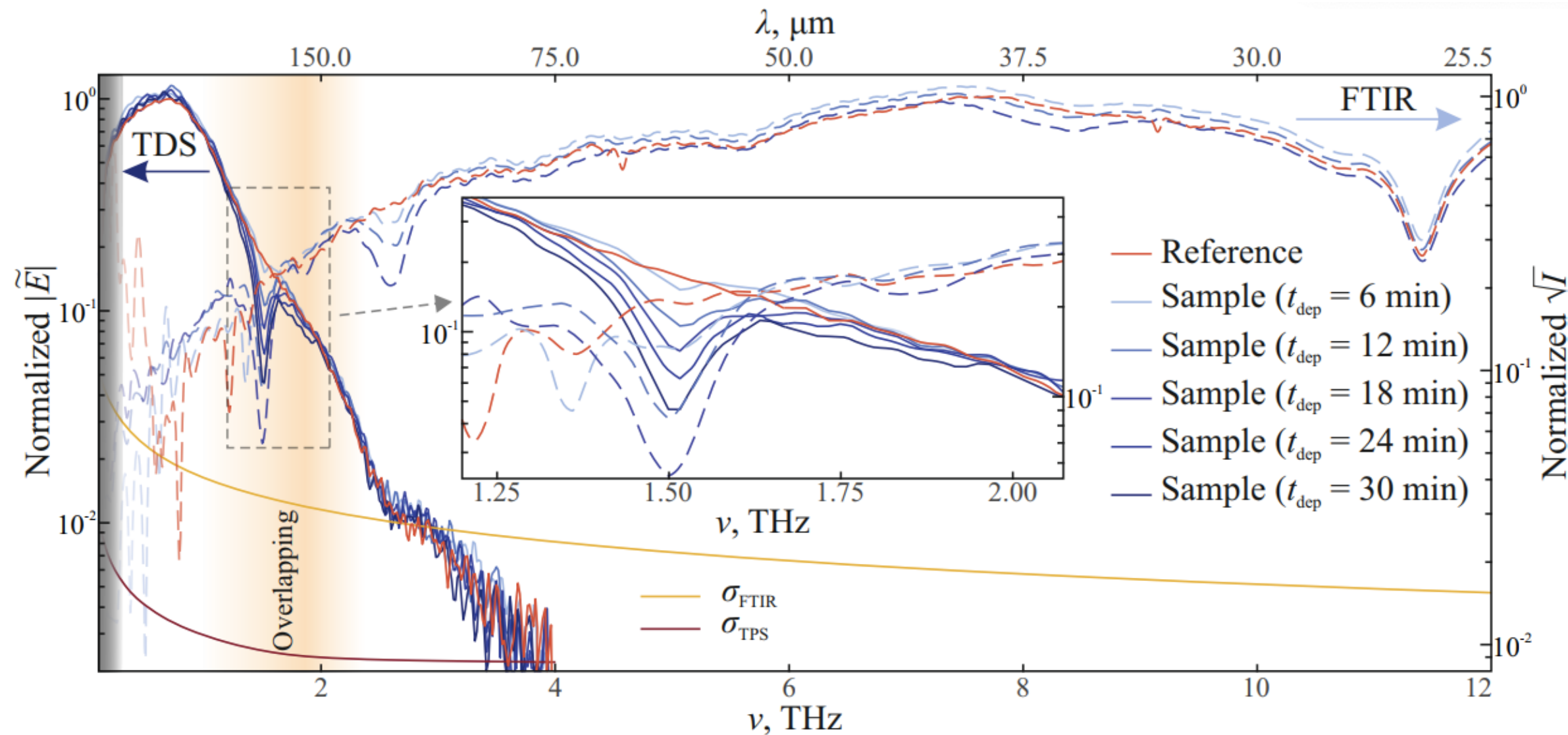
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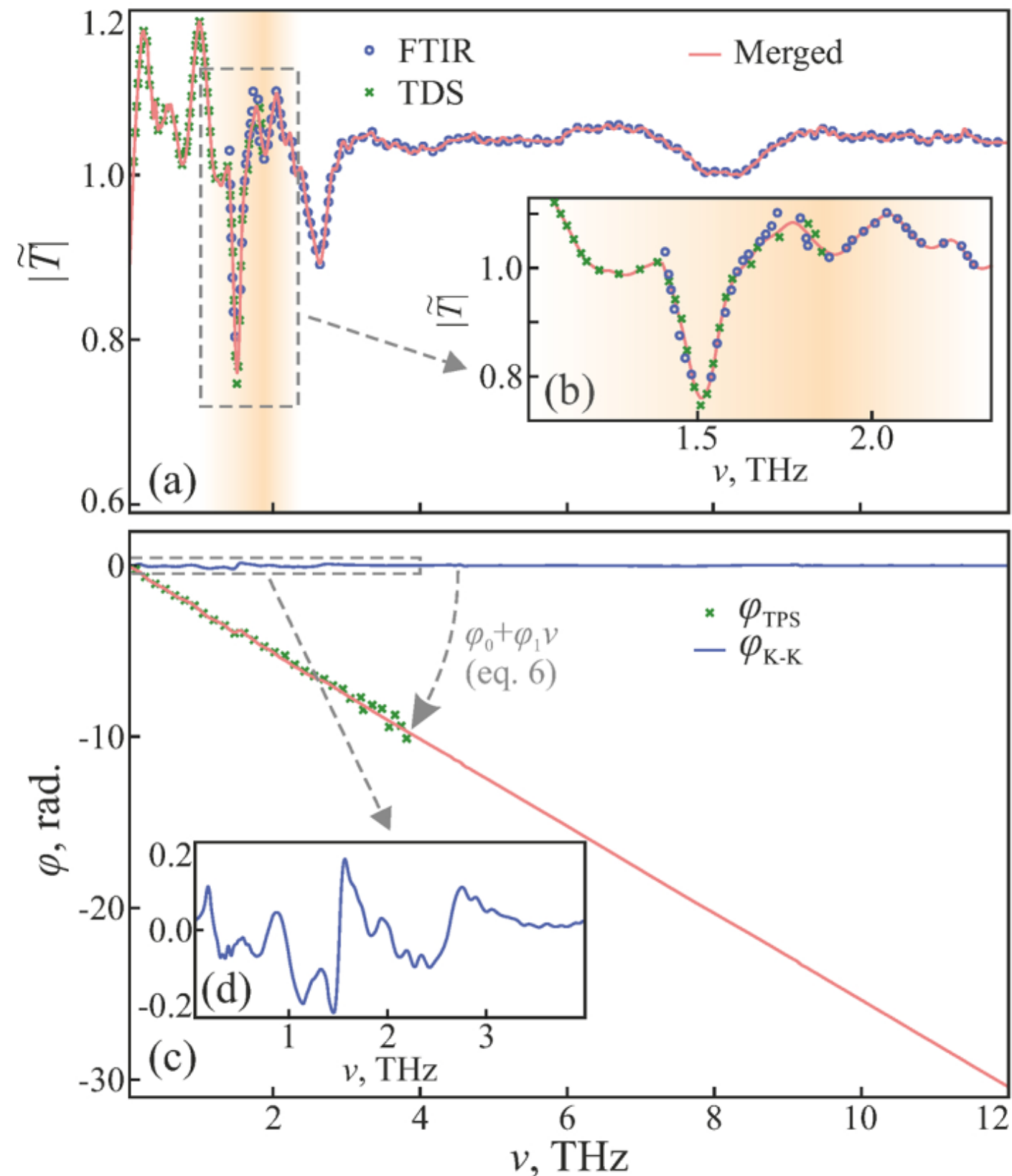
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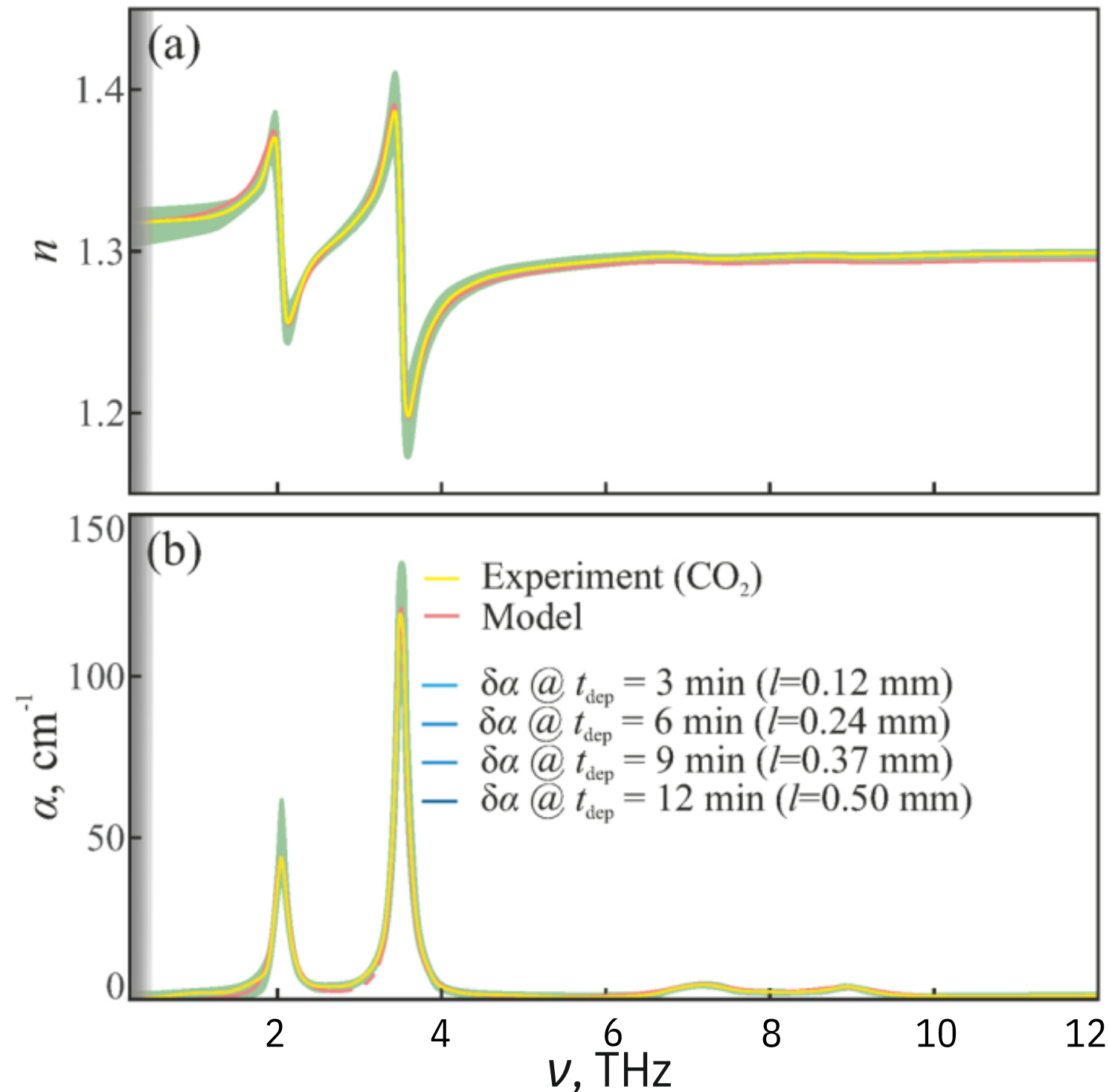
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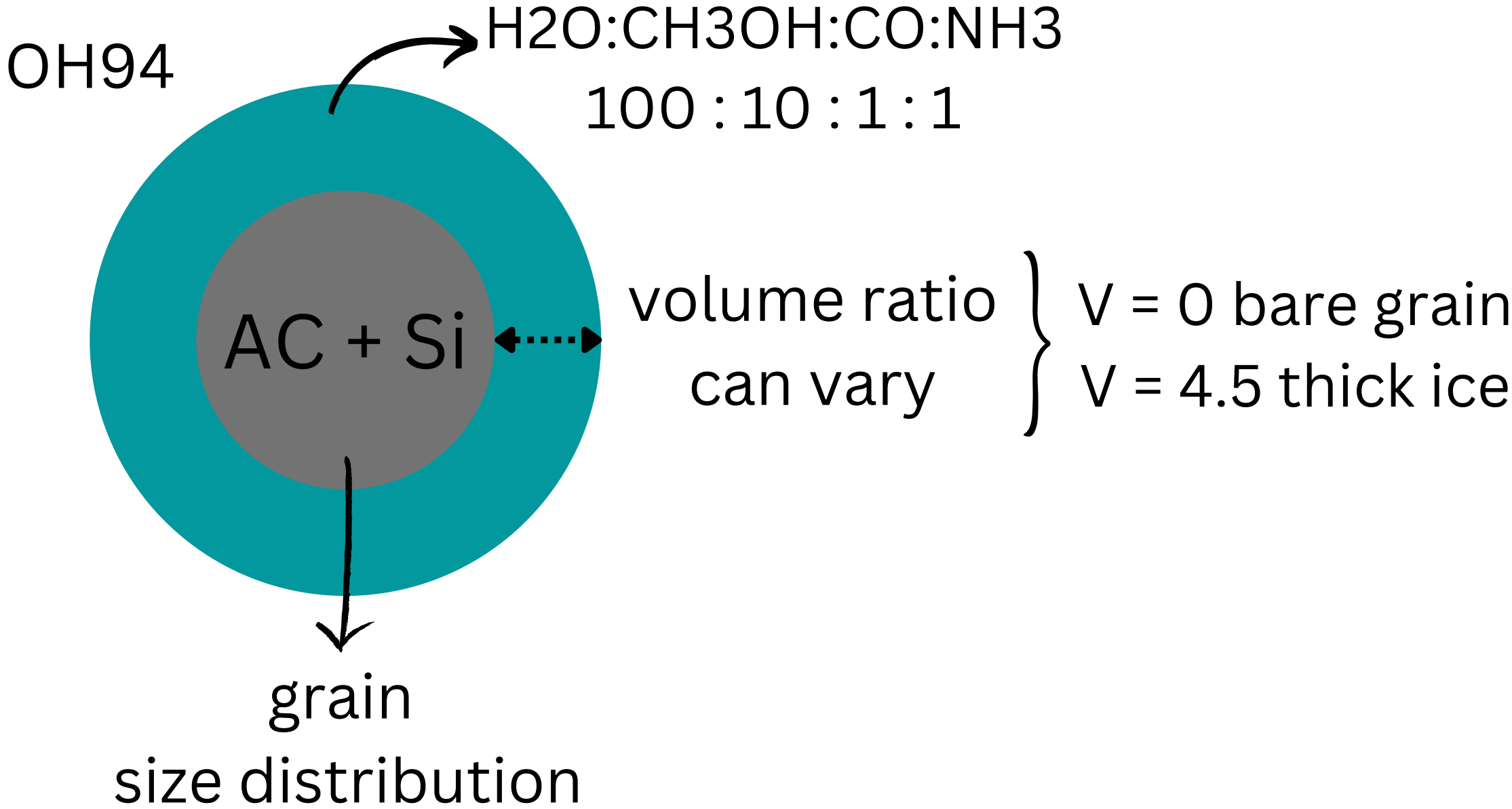


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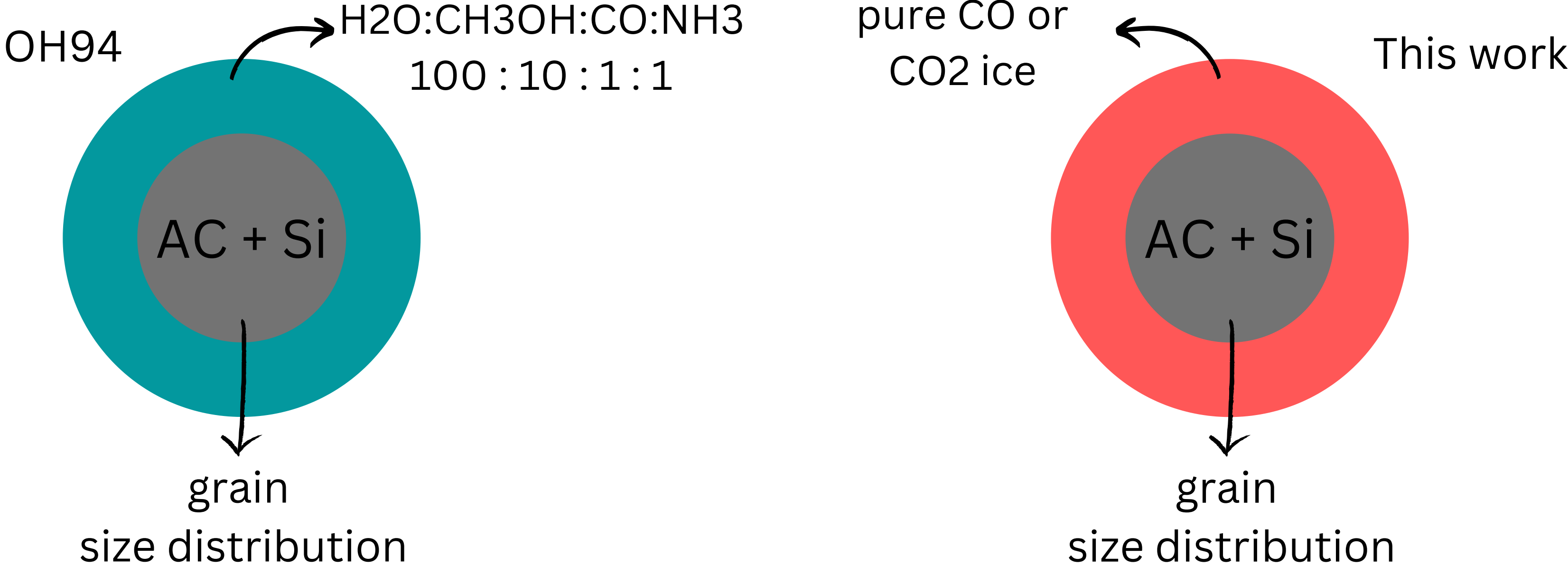
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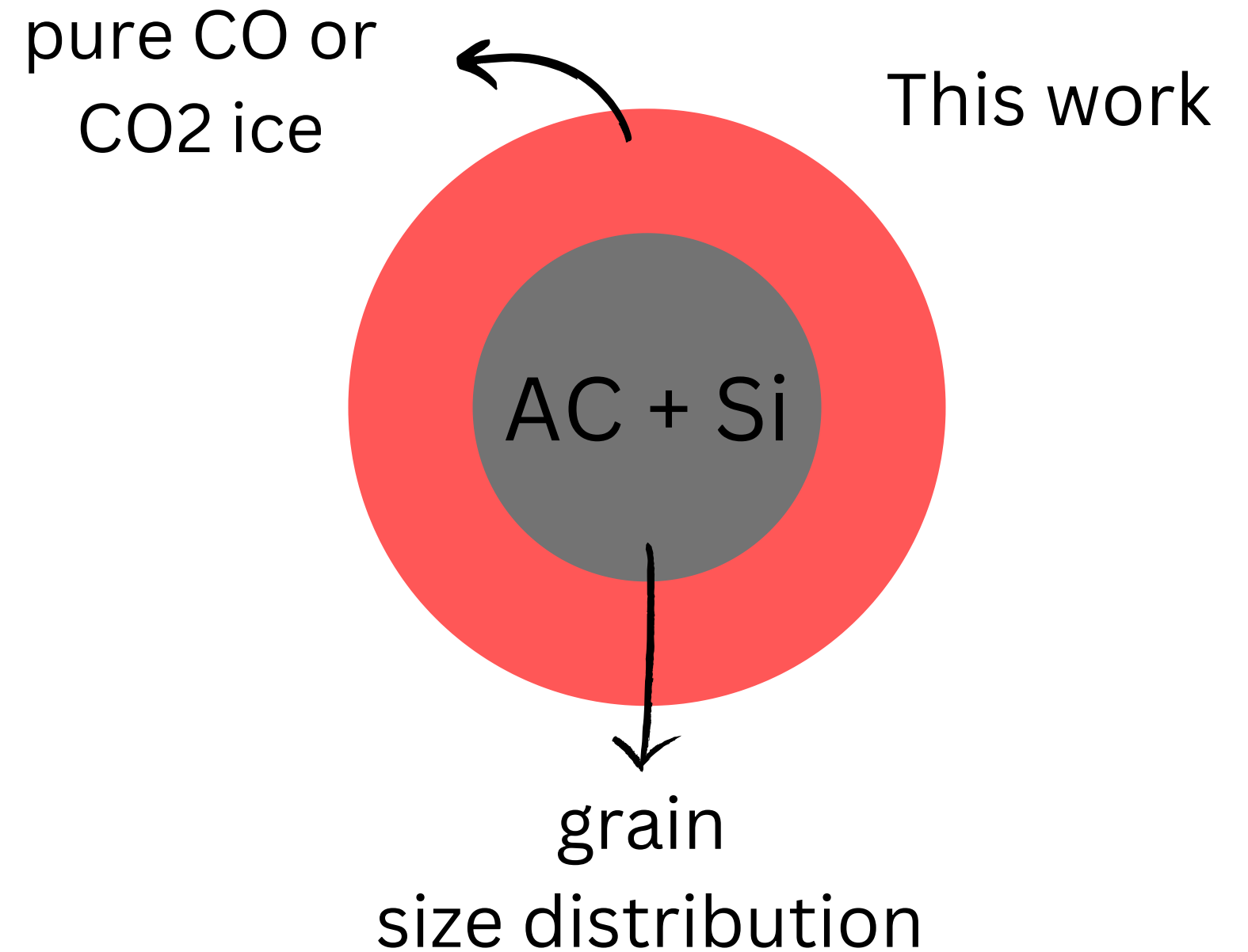


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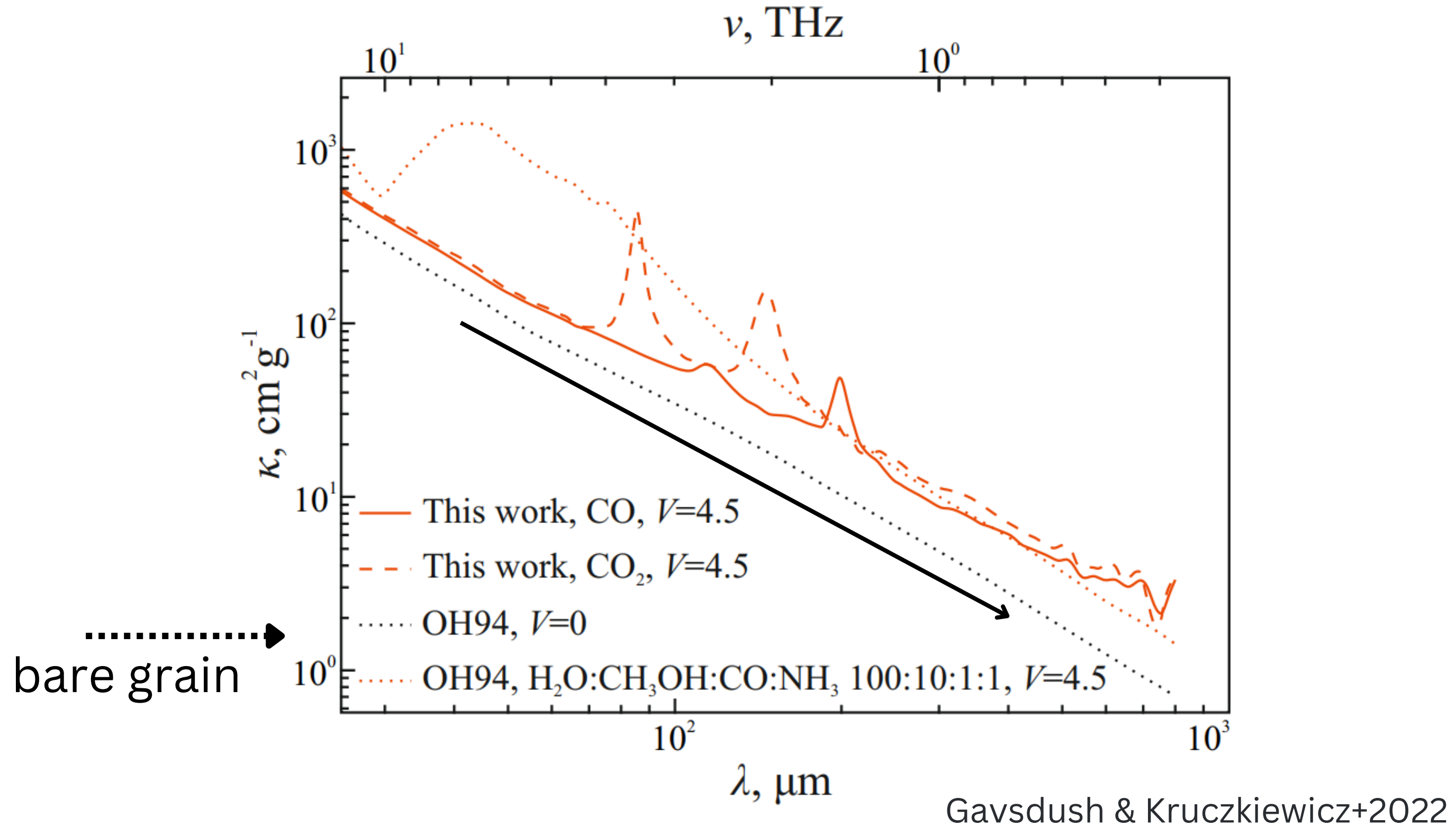
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Our model accounts for drastic CO and CO₂ freeze-out at the centre of pre-stellar cores or in protoplanetary disk mid-planes



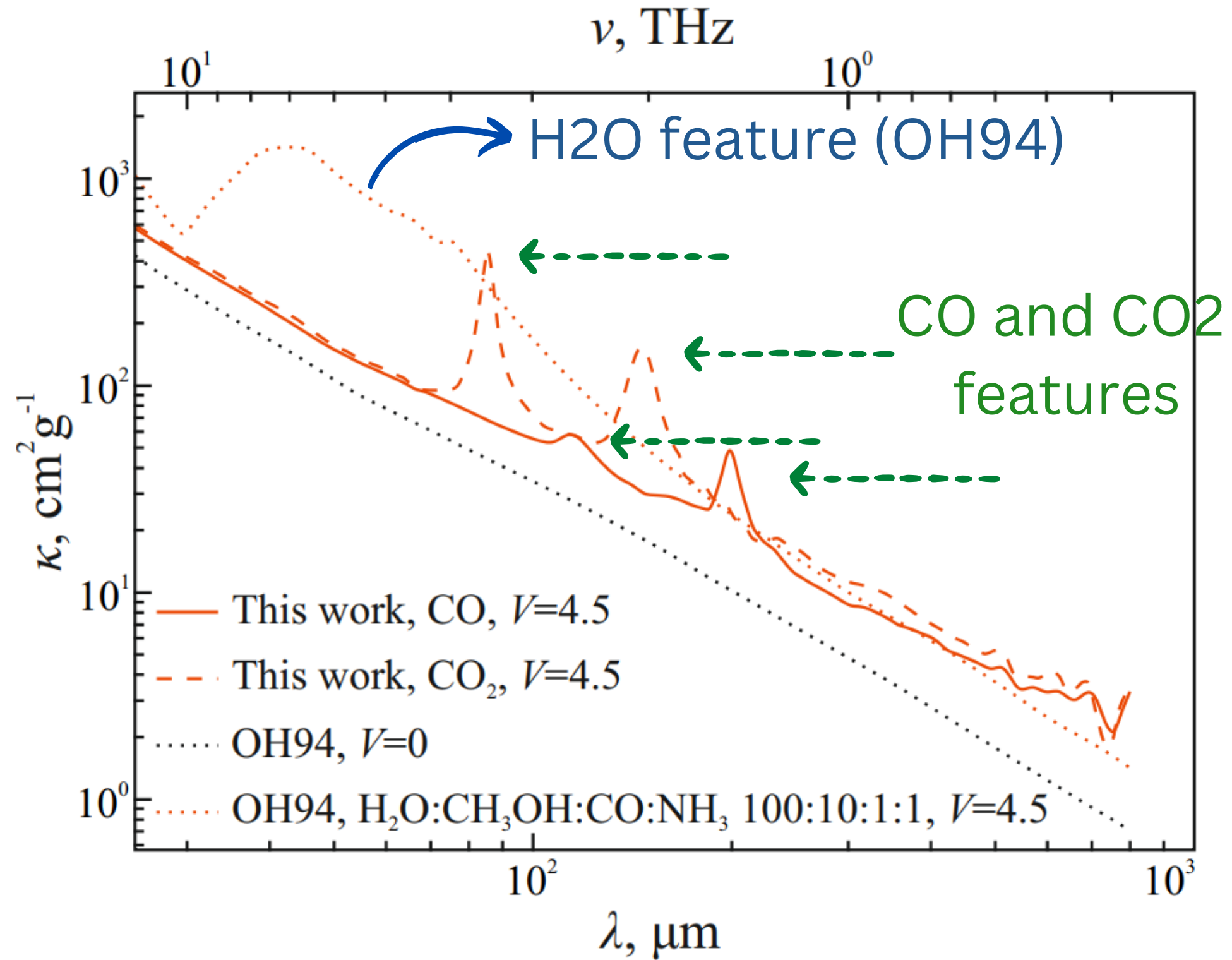
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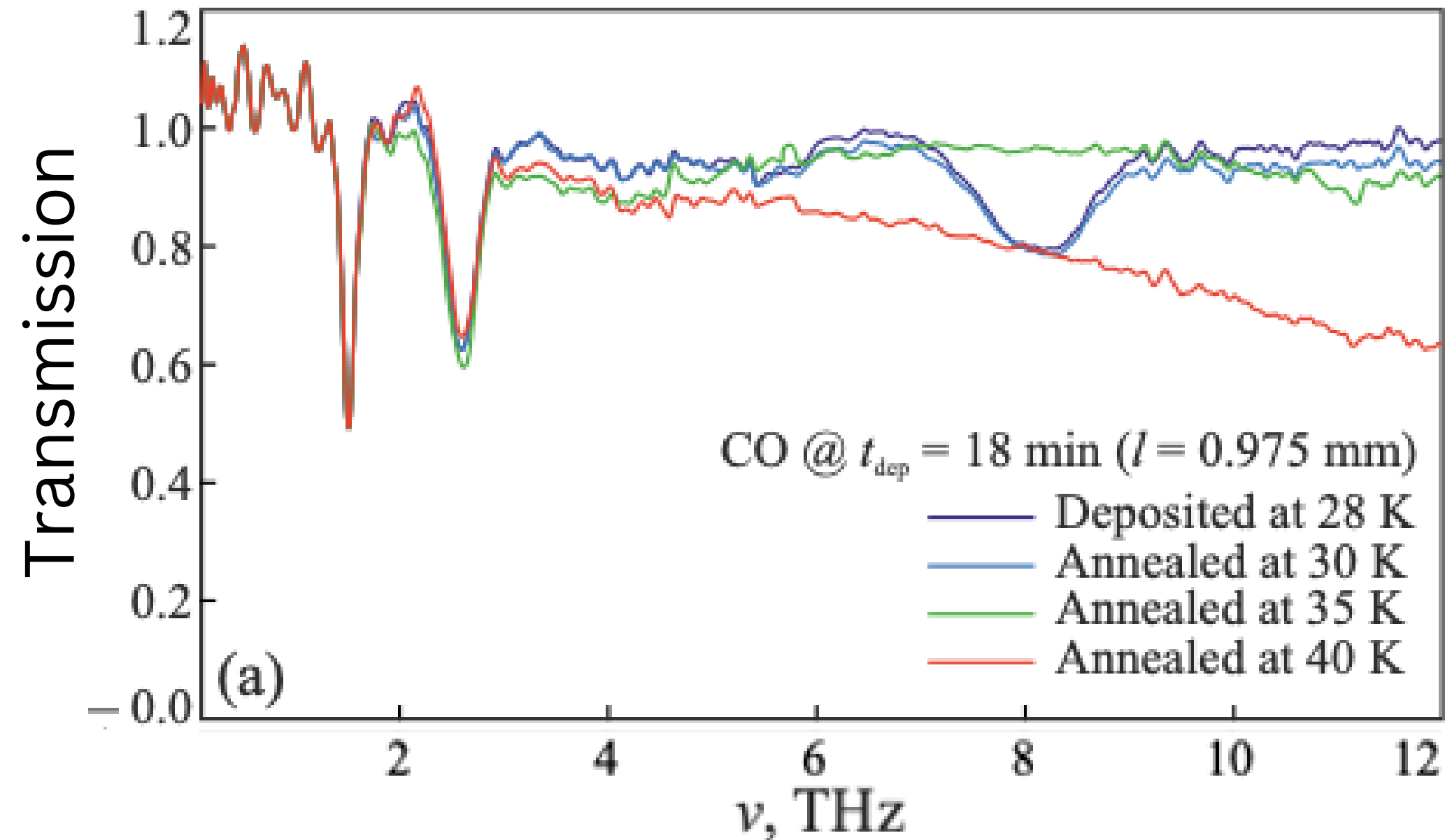
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...and how the temperature affect the ice optical properties

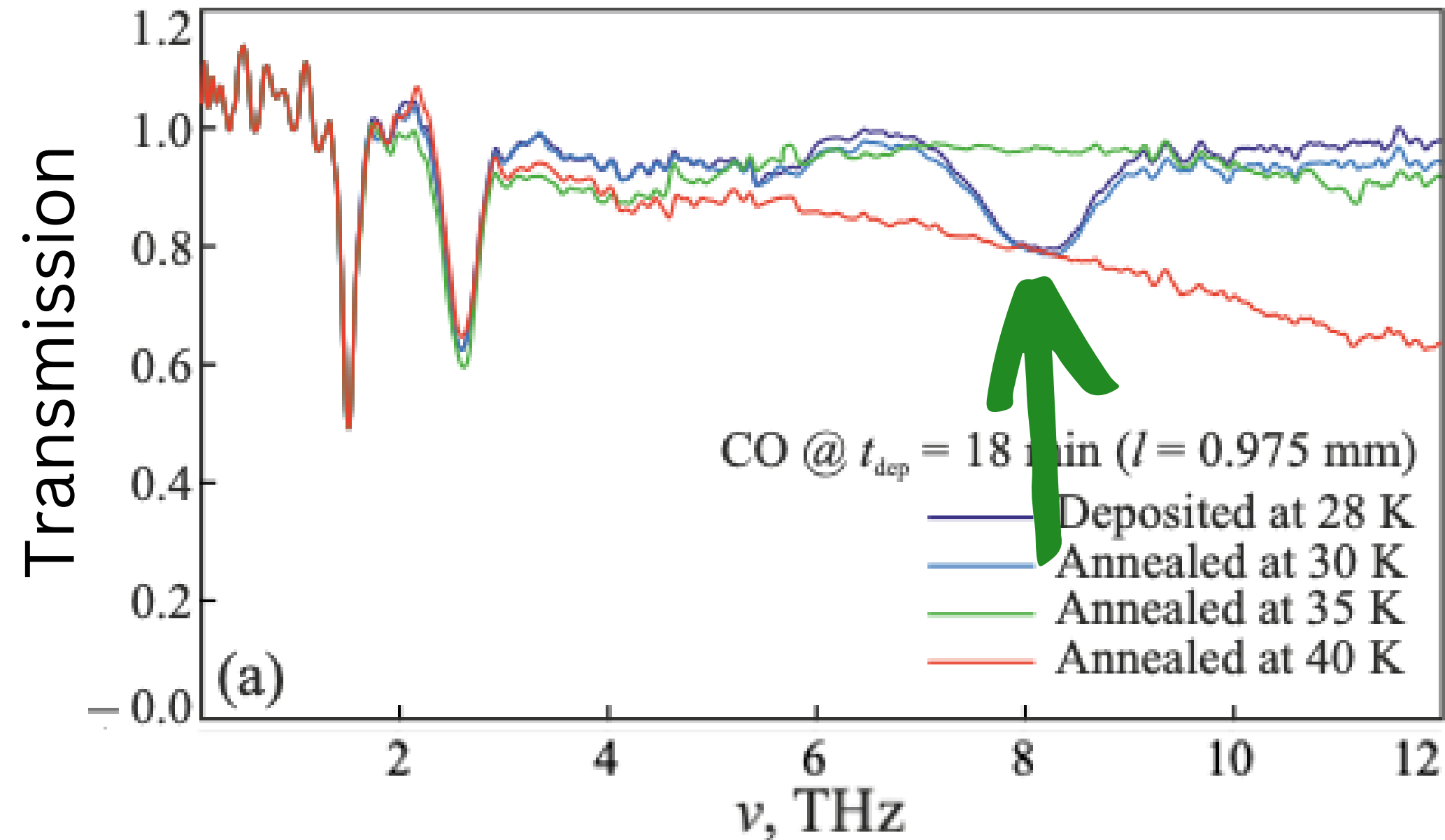
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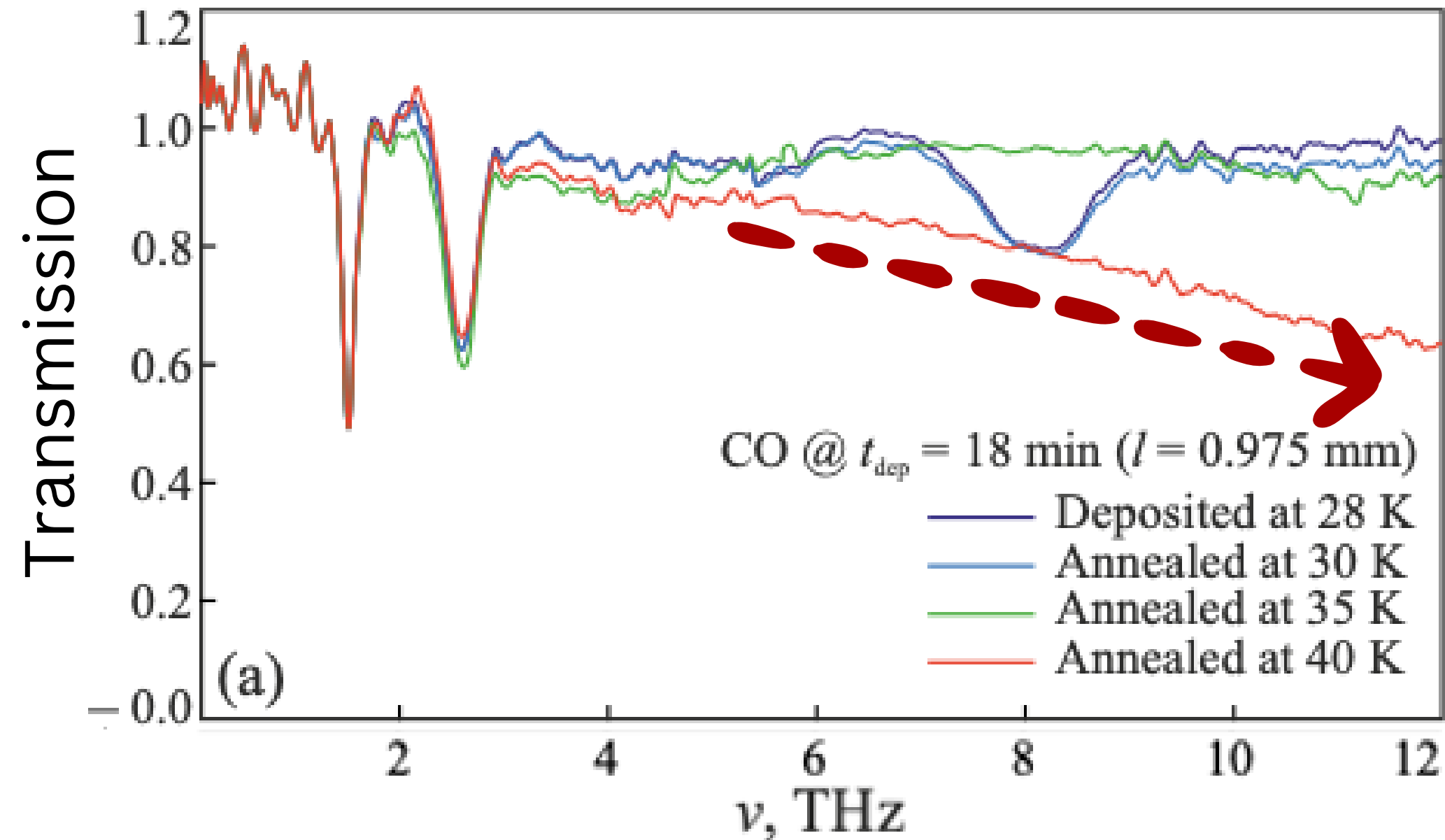


Annealing at 35 K affects the band at 8 THz

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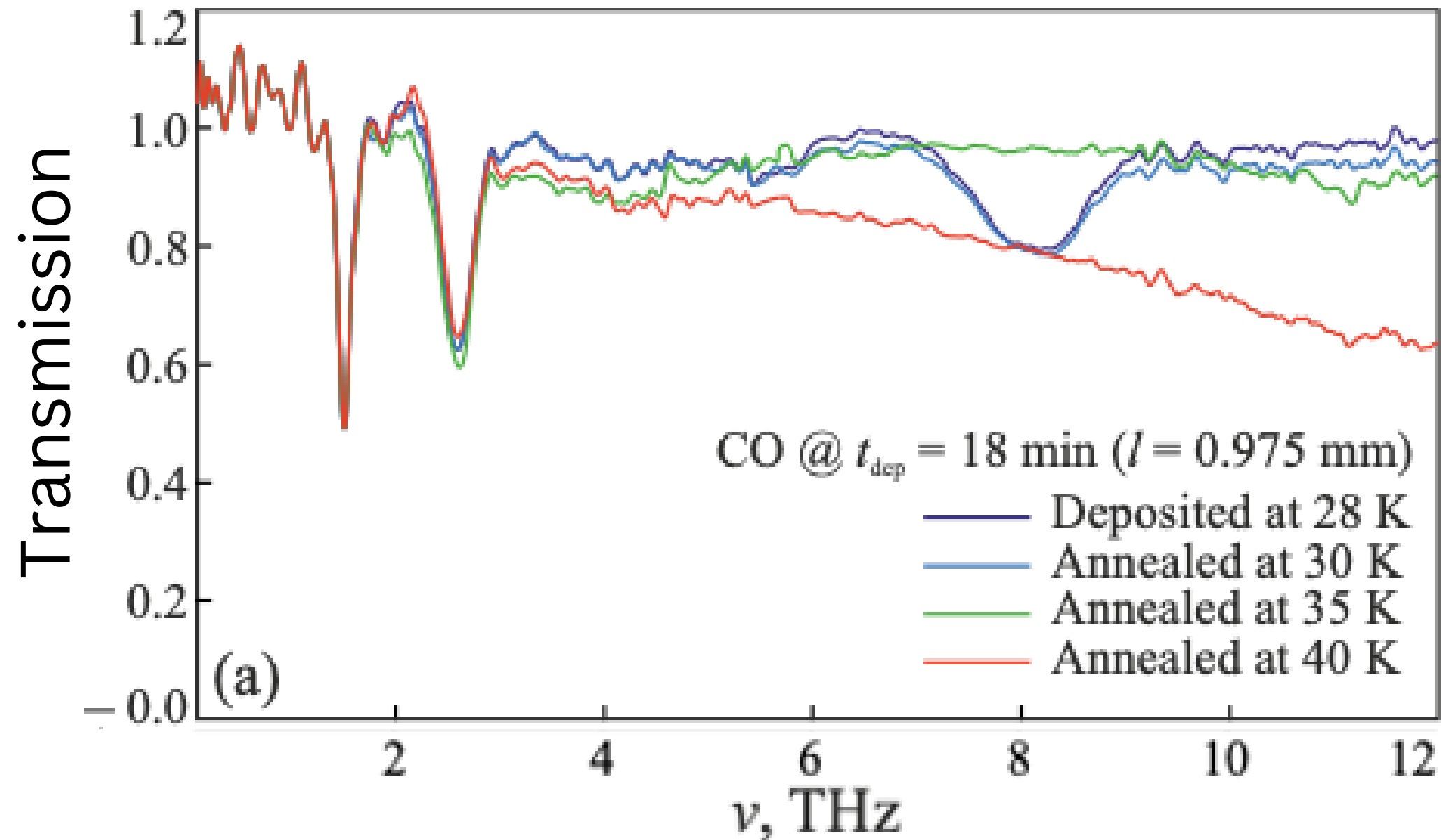


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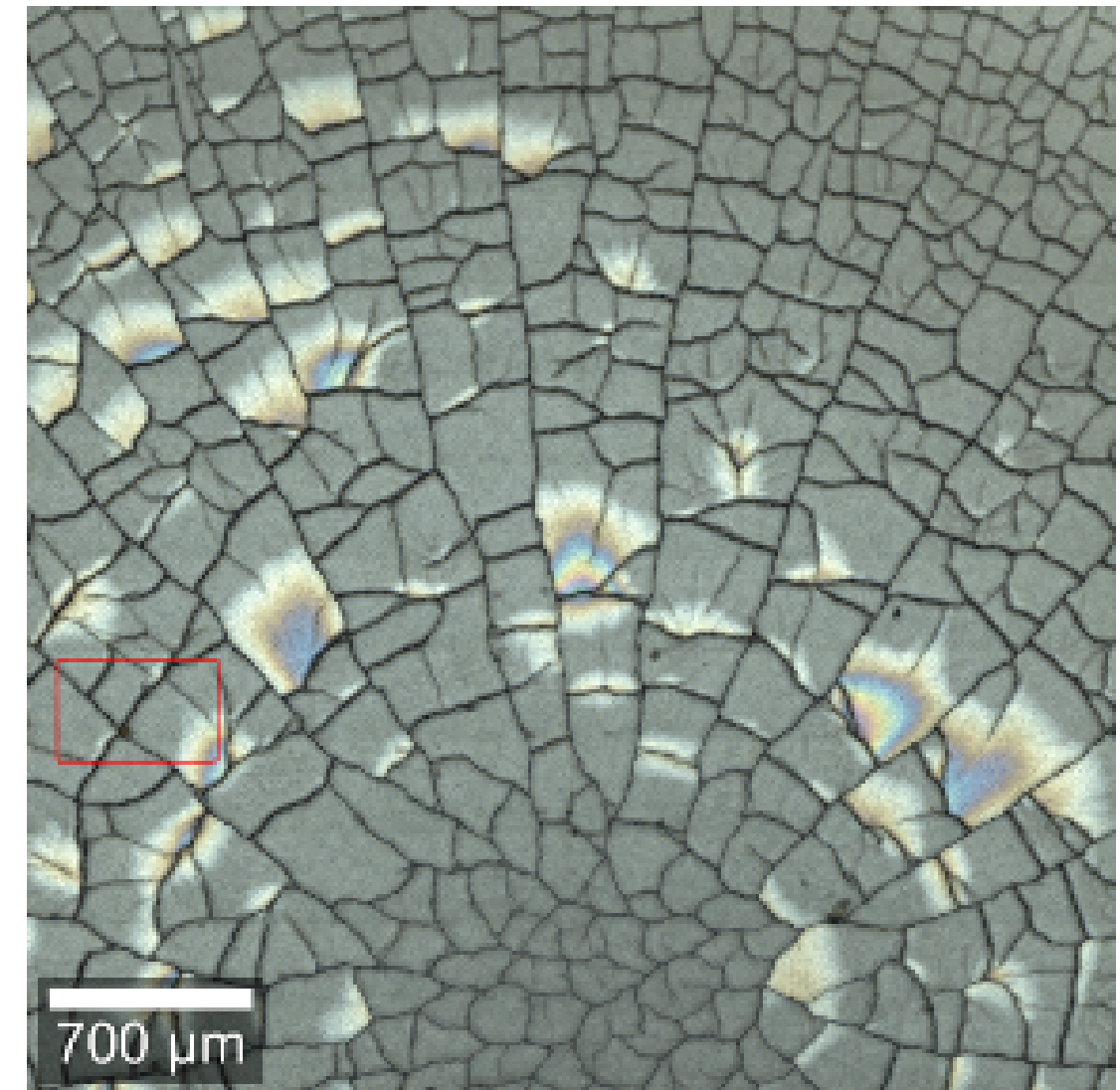
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Not the same ice, buuut...



Cracks in the surface of water ice seen by Raman microscopy

TAKE-AWAY MESSAGES

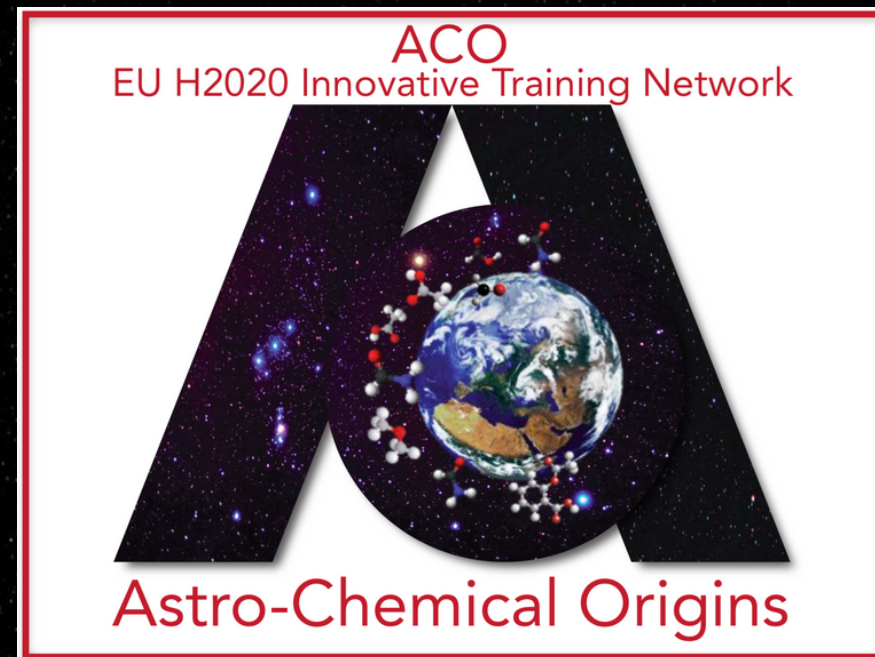
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- We can extend the frequency range of measurements merging TDS + FTIR data [Gavdush & Kruczkiewicz+2022](#)
- Data of CO, CO₂ published and N₂ in prep
- Future plans: study pure H₂O, start ice mixtures and obtain measurements in lower frequencies (< 0.1 THz)



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