

Novel astrochemical aspects of cyanoacetylene-related molecules

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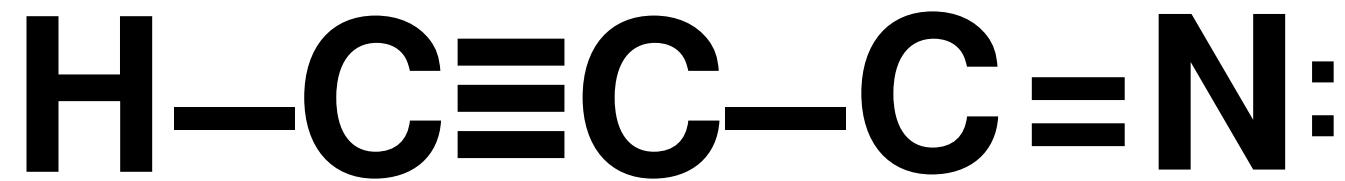
Focus on:

- 1. Cyanovinylidene, the branched isomer of H-CC-CN**
 - 2. Cyanoacetylide, the anion produced from H-CC-CN**
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INTERSTELLAR MOLECULES

HCN

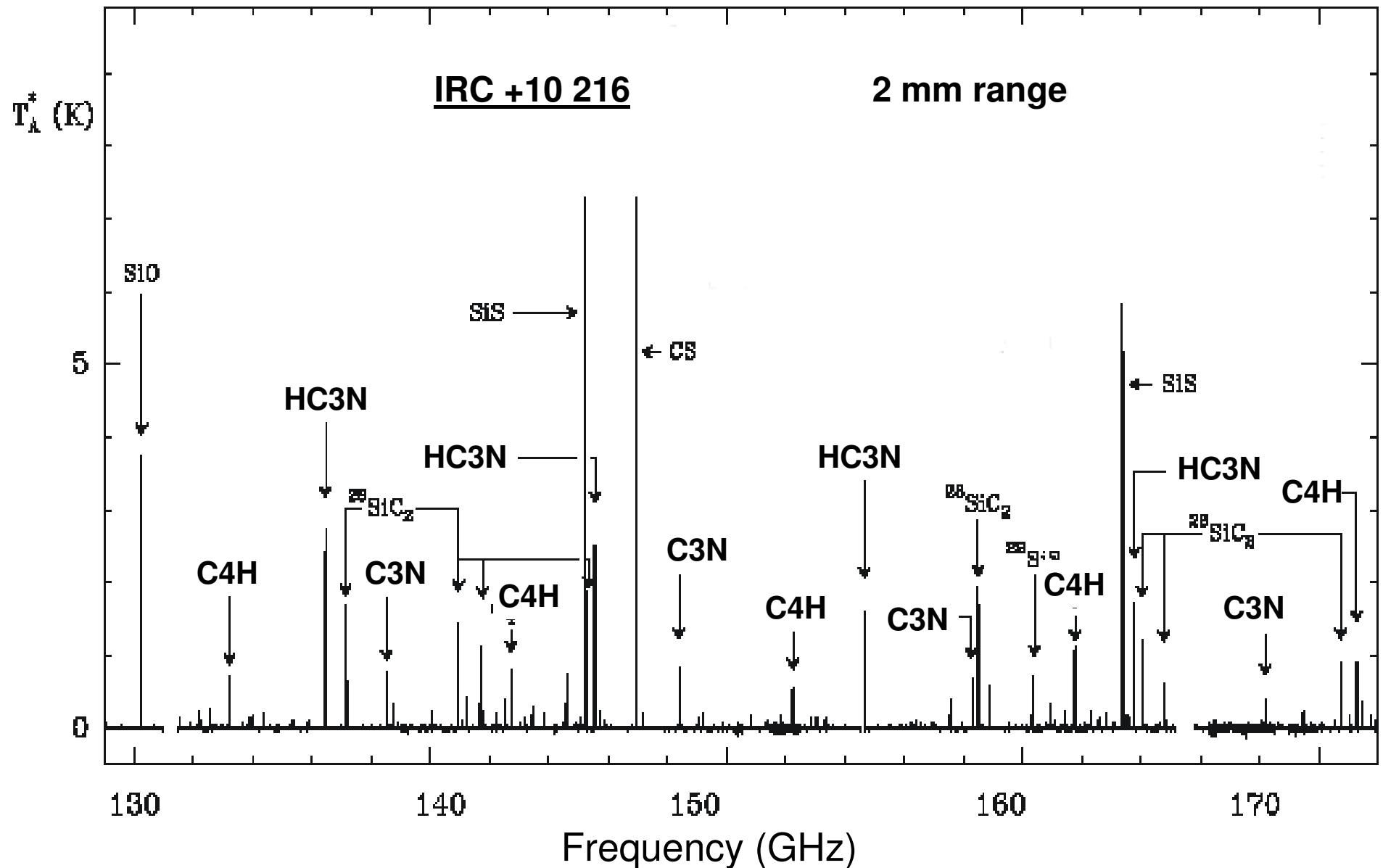
HNC



isonitrile

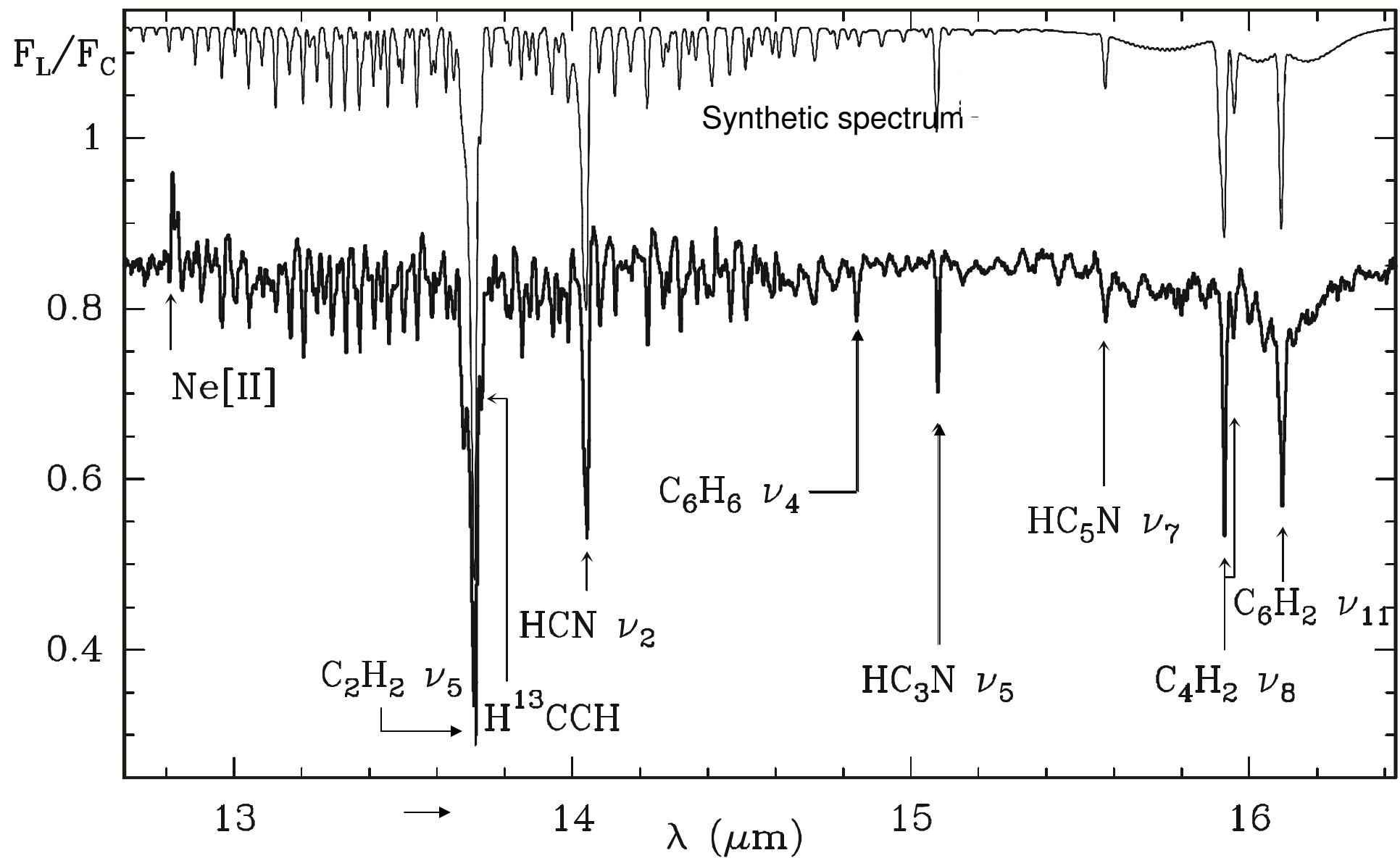
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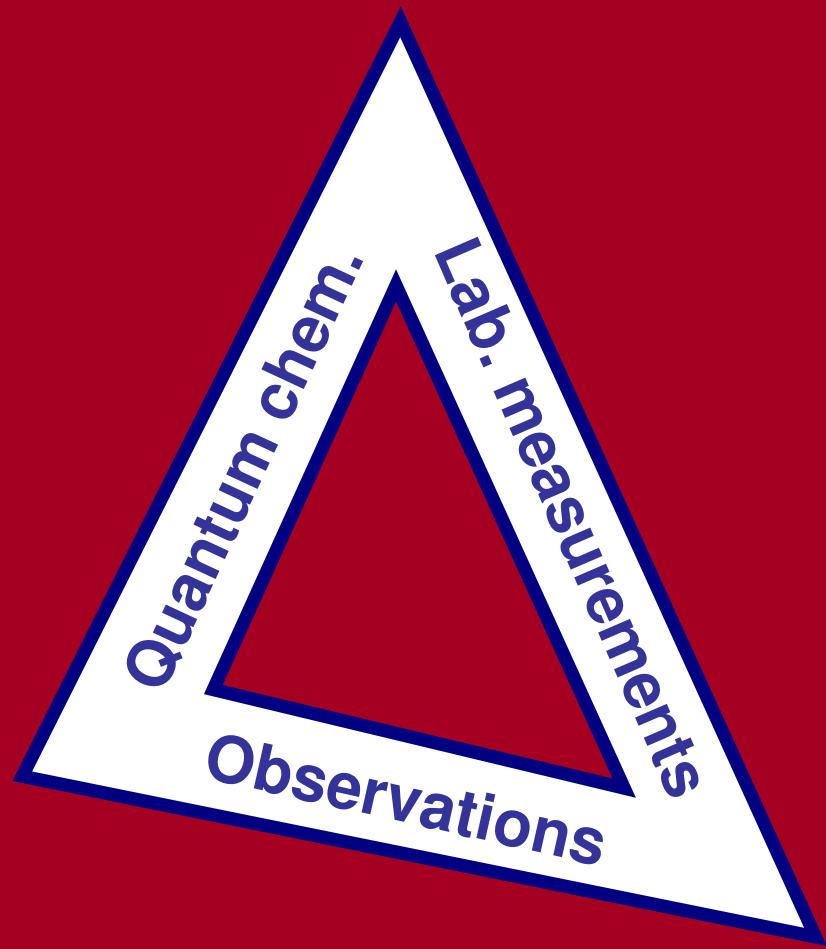
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IR

Cernicharo, J., Heras, A.M., Tielens, A.G.G.M., Pardo, J.R., Herpin, F., Guélin, M., and Waters, L.B.F.M.; 2001, *Ap. J.* 546, L123



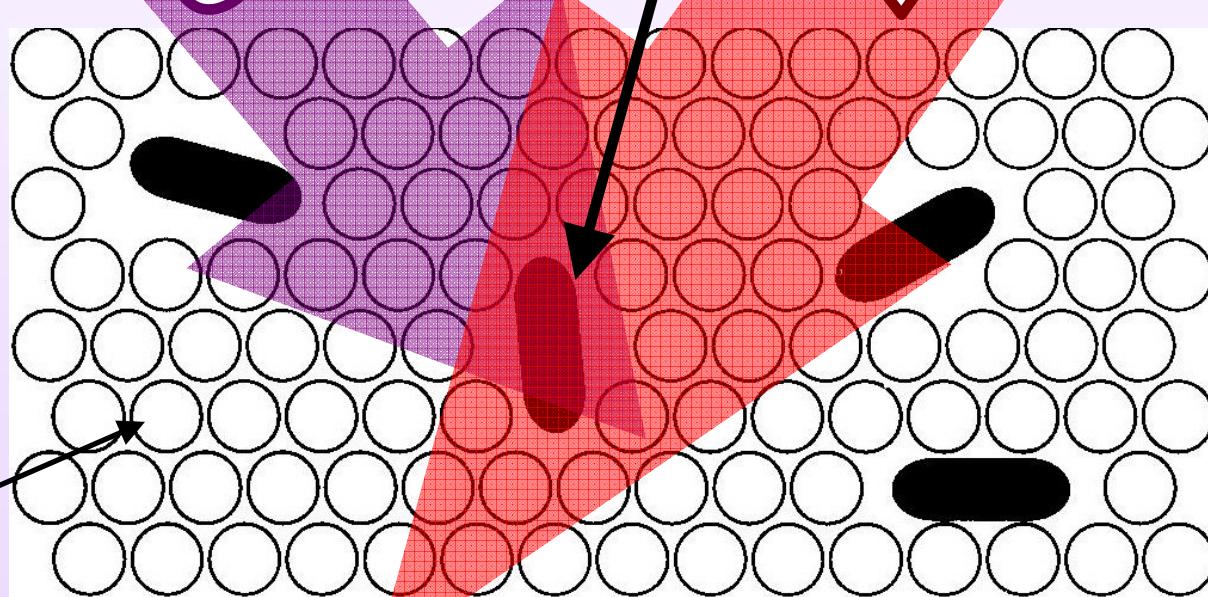


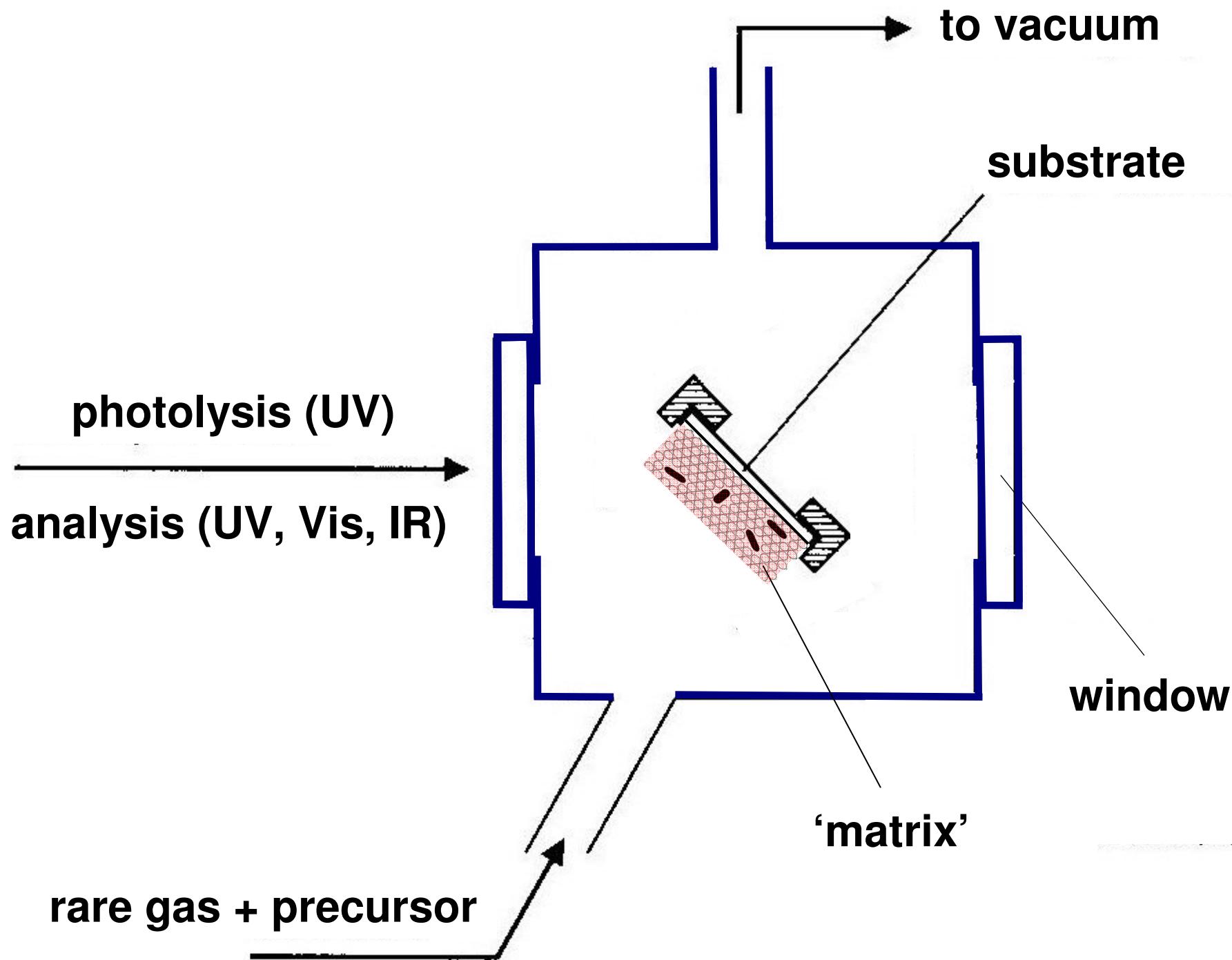
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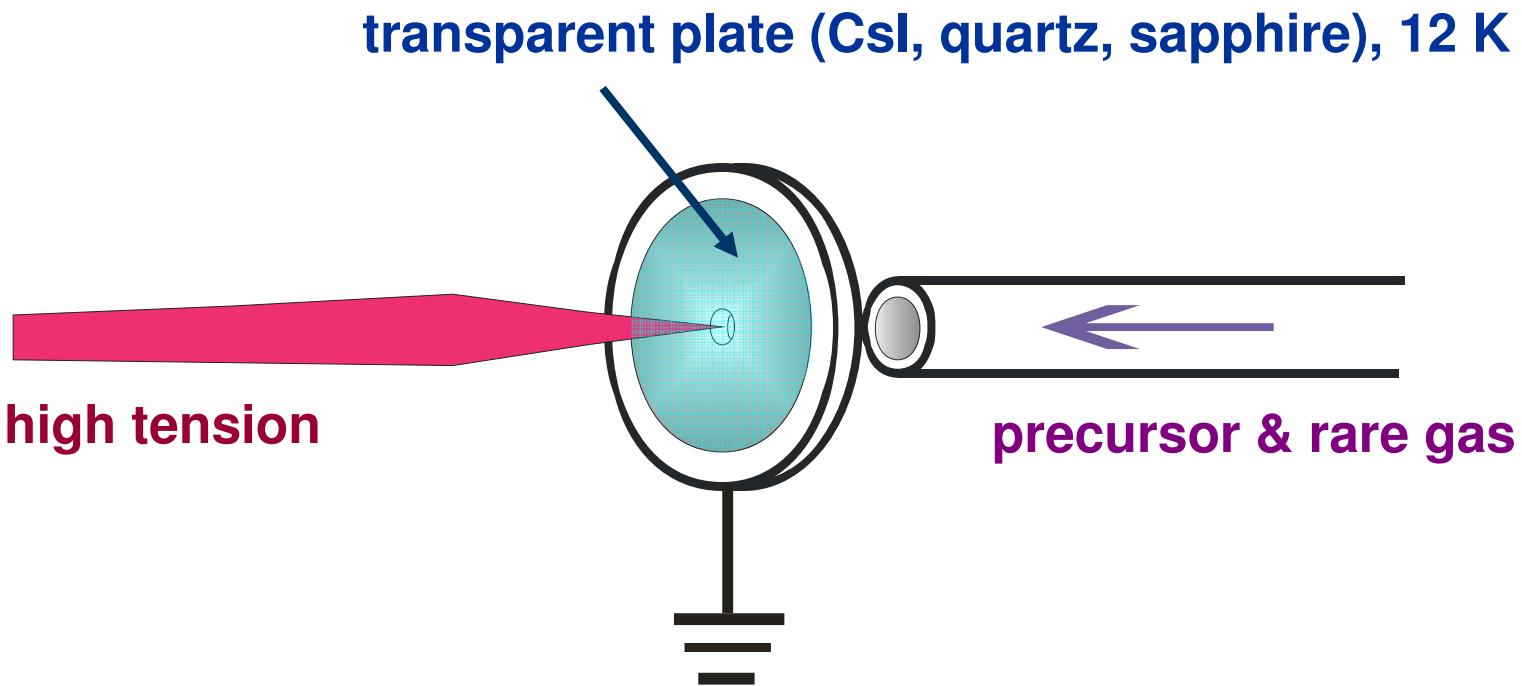
**solid Ar
12 K**

ANALYSIS

precursor



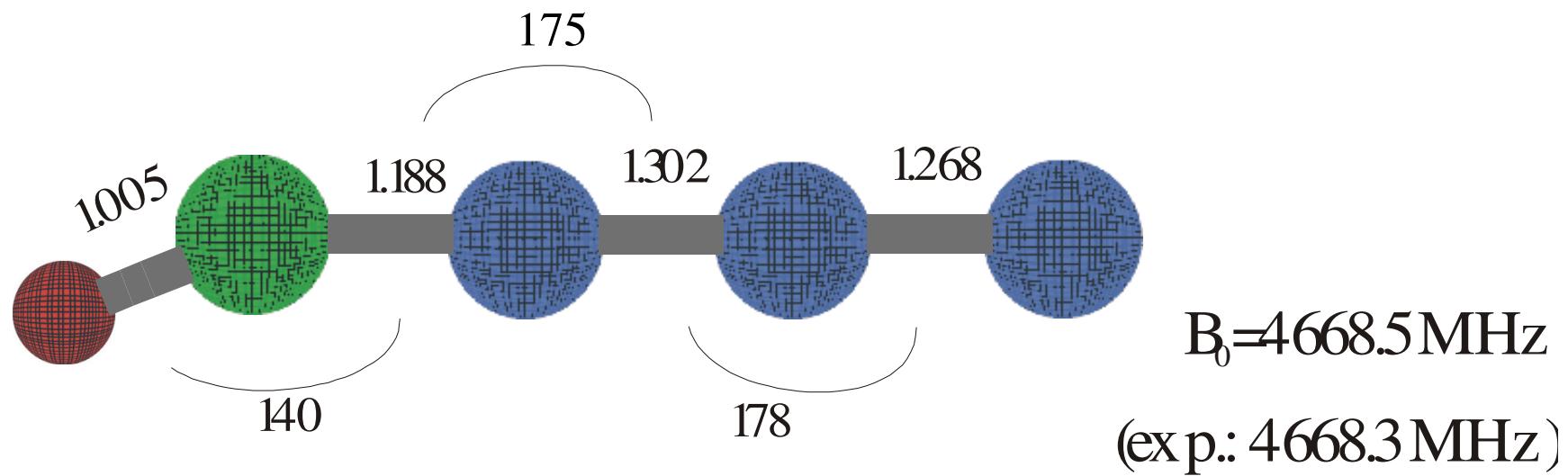




The Cold-Window-Radial-Discharge (CWRD)

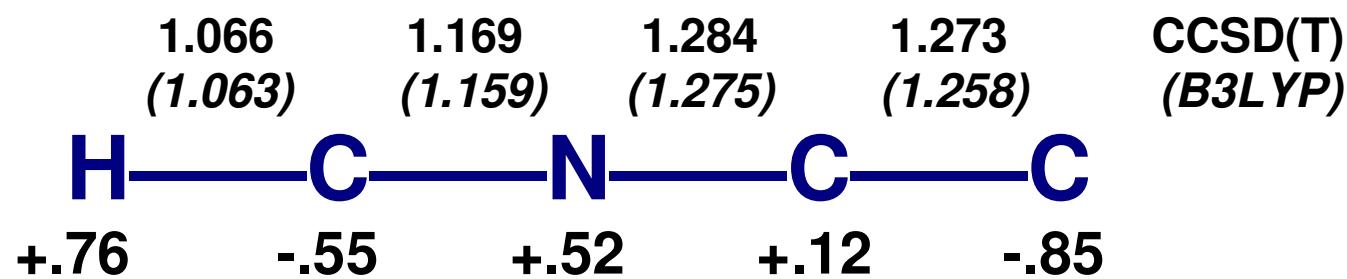
The Cold-Window-Radial-Discharge

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HNCCC IDENTIFICATION in IR

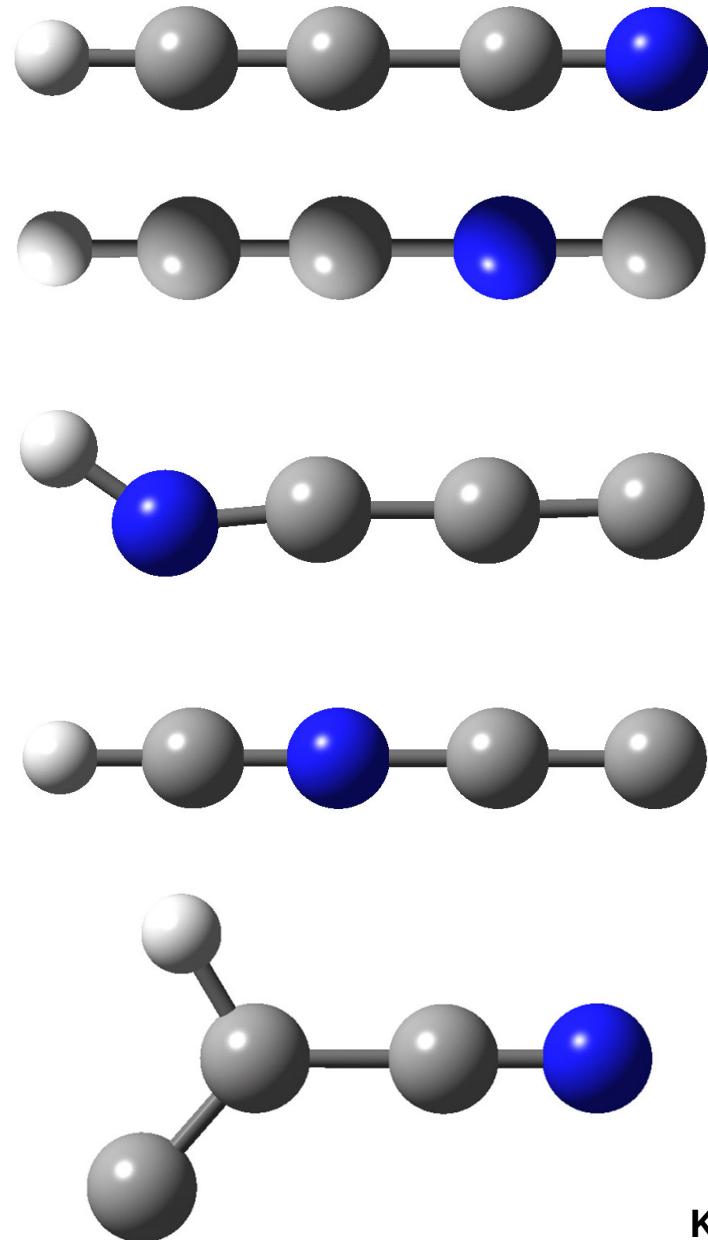
	Mode	Theory B3LYP/6-311++G ^{**} (scaled with 0.96)		Experimental (in solid Ar)	
		cm ⁻¹	km/mol	cm ⁻¹	relat. int.
¹ H ¹⁴ NCCC	ν_1	3567	448	3562	0.4
	ν_2	2202	1590	2205	1
	ν_3	1880	27	1905	0.06
² H ¹⁴ NCCC	ν_1	2658	560	2652	0.5
	ν_2	2171	1408	2175	1
	ν_3	1855	12	1850	
¹ H ¹⁵ NCCC	ν_1	3557	435	3552	0.4
	ν_2	2193	1591	2195	1
	ν_3	1869	17	1895	



$B_e = 4992 \text{ MHz}$

$\mu = 8.1 \text{ D}$ (CCD/aug-cc-pVTZ)

HC_3N isomers



CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ

species	Rel. energy (kcal/mol)	SPACE	LAB
HCCCN	0	+	+
HCCNC	26.6	+	+
CCCNH	50.9	+	+
HCNCC	77.6	-	+
CC(H)CN	48.6	-	-

INTERSTELLAR MOLECULES

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
H ₂	C ₂ H	c-C ₃ H	C ₅	C ₅ H	C ₆ H	CH ₂ C ₃ N	HC₇N	CH ₃ C ₅ N?	HC₉N	C ₆ H ₆	HC₁₁N
AlF	C ₂ O	I-C ₃ H	C ₄ H	I-H ₂ C ₄	CH ₂ CHCN	HCOOCH ₃	CH ₃ CH ₂ CN	(CH ₂) ₂ CO			
AlCl	C ₂ S	C ₃ N	C ₄ Si	C ₂ H ₄	CH ₃ C ₂ H	CH ₂ COOH?	(CH ₂) ₂ O	NH ₂ CH ₂ COOH?			
C ₂	CH ₂	C ₃ O	I-C ₃ H ₂	CH ₃ CN	HC₅N	C ₇ H	CH ₃ CH ₂ OH				
CH	HCN	C ₃ S	c-C ₃ H ₂	CH ₃ NC	HCOCH ₃	CH ₂ OHCHO	CH ₃ C ₄ H				
CH+	HCO	CH ₂ D+?	CH ₂ CN	CH ₃ OH	NH ₂ CH ₃	HC ₆ H	C ₈ H				
CN	HCO+	HCCN	CH ₄	CH ₃ SH	c-C ₂ H ₄ O						
CO	HCS+	HCNH+	HC₃N	HC ₃ NH+	CH ₂ CHOH						
CO+	HOC+	HNCO	HC ₂ NC	HC ₂ CHO							
CP	H ₂ O	HNCS	HCOOH	NH ₂ CHO							
CSi	H ₂ S	HOCO+	H ₂ CNH	HC ₄ H							
HCl	HNC	H ₂ CO	H ₂ C ₂ O								
KCl	HNO	H ₂ CN	H ₂ N ₃ CN								
NH	MgCN	H ₂ CS	HNC ₃								
NO+	MgNC	H ₃ O+	SiH ₄								
NS	N ₂ H+	NH ₃	H ₂ COH ⁺								
NaCl	N ₂ O	SiC ₃									
OH	NaCN	HC ₂ H									
PN	OCS										
SO	SO ₂										
SO+	c-SiC ₂										
SiN	CO ₂										
SiO	NH ₂										
SiS	SiCN										
CS	H ₃ +										
HF	C ₃										
SH	AINC										
FeO											



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DETECTION OF THE HEAVY INTERSTELLAR MOLECULE CYANODIACETYLENE

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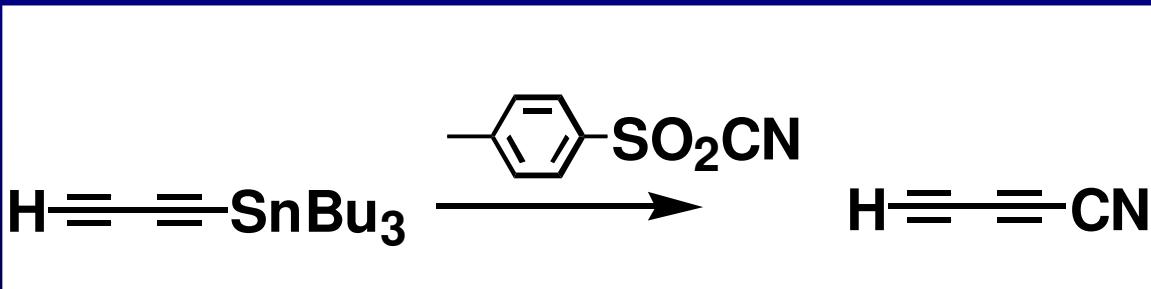
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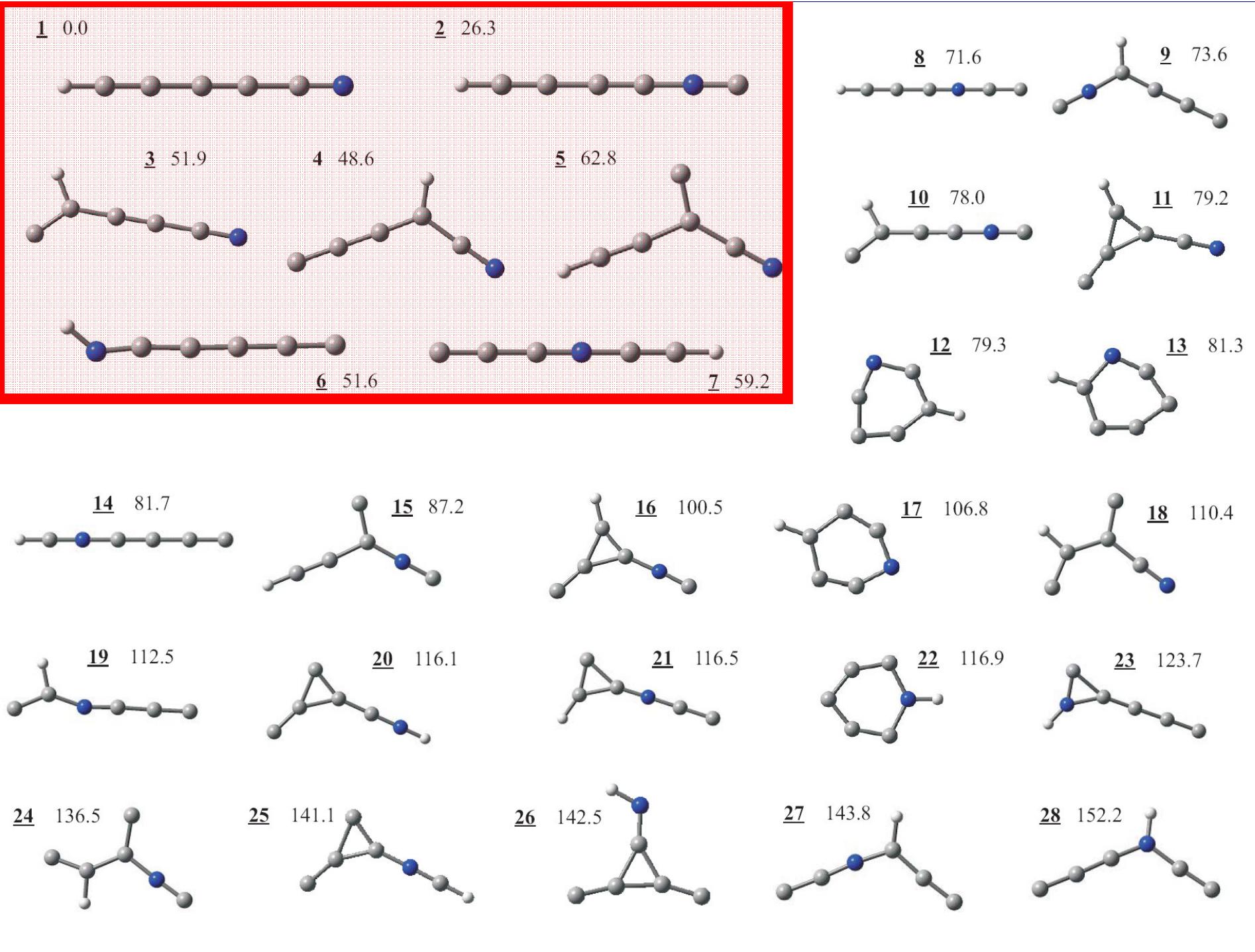
ABSTRACT

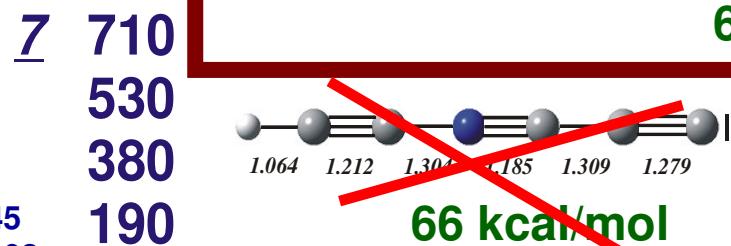
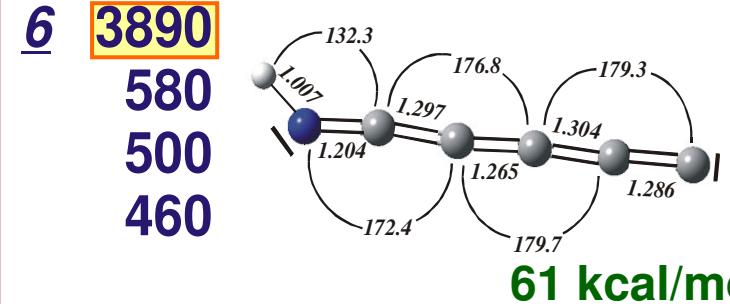
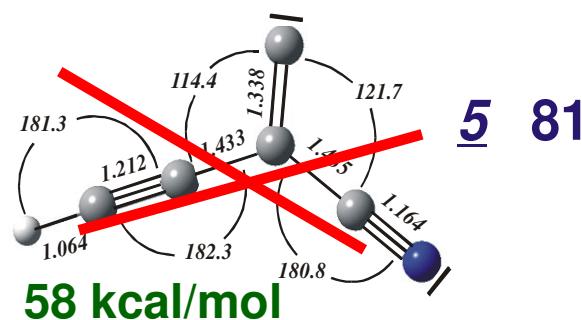
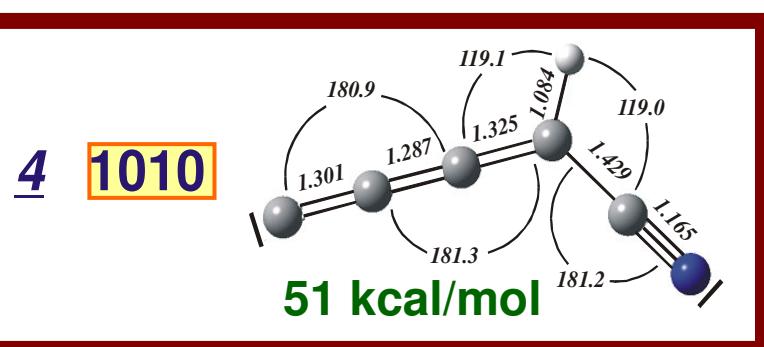
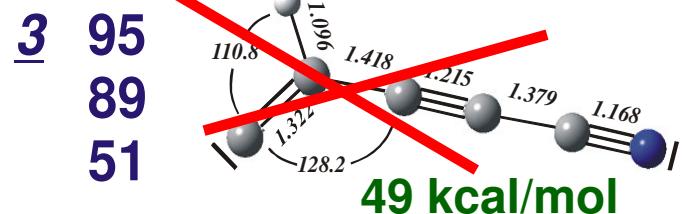
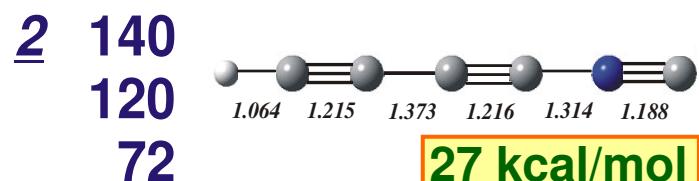
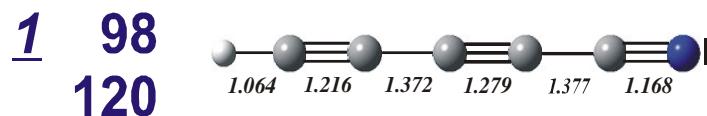
The $J = 4 \rightarrow 3$ rotational emission line of cyanodiacetylene $\text{H}-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$ has been detected in Sgr B2. If the molecules are assumed to be in thermal equilibrium at a temperature of 30 K, a column density of $1.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ is obtained. This observation provides further evidence that heavy polyatomic molecules exist in abundance in Sgr B2.

2005:



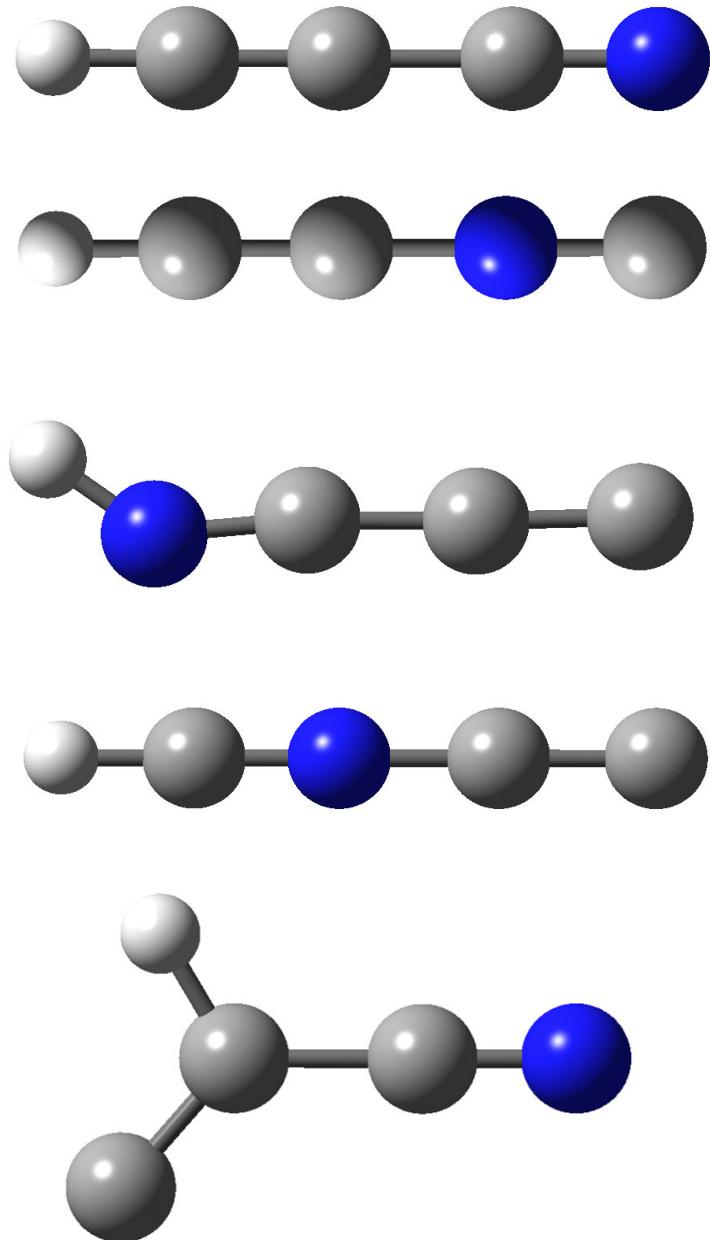
Trolez & Guillemin, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, 55 (2005) 2





Predicted IR intensities
higher than 50 km/mol

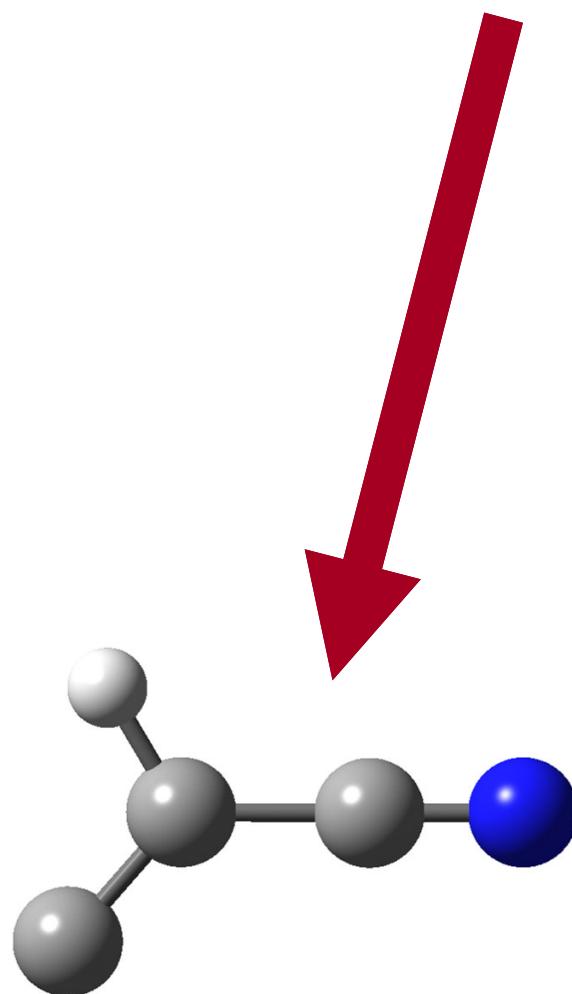
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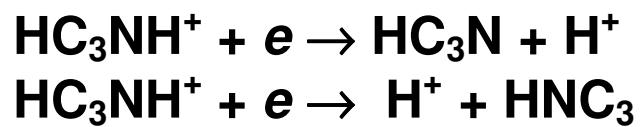
Can cyanovinylidyne be produced in space?



HC_3N first detected in 1971.

How is it formed?

Original concept:



Indeed:

HNC_3 (along with HC_2NC) detected in 1992,
but: $[\text{HC}_3\text{N}]/[\text{HNC}_3] \approx 1000$!

Newer concept: $\text{H}_2\text{C}_2 + \text{CN} \rightarrow \text{HC}_3\text{N} + \text{H}$

(with the dissociative recombination of HC_3NH^+ still being
recognized as the main source of cyanoacetylene isomers)

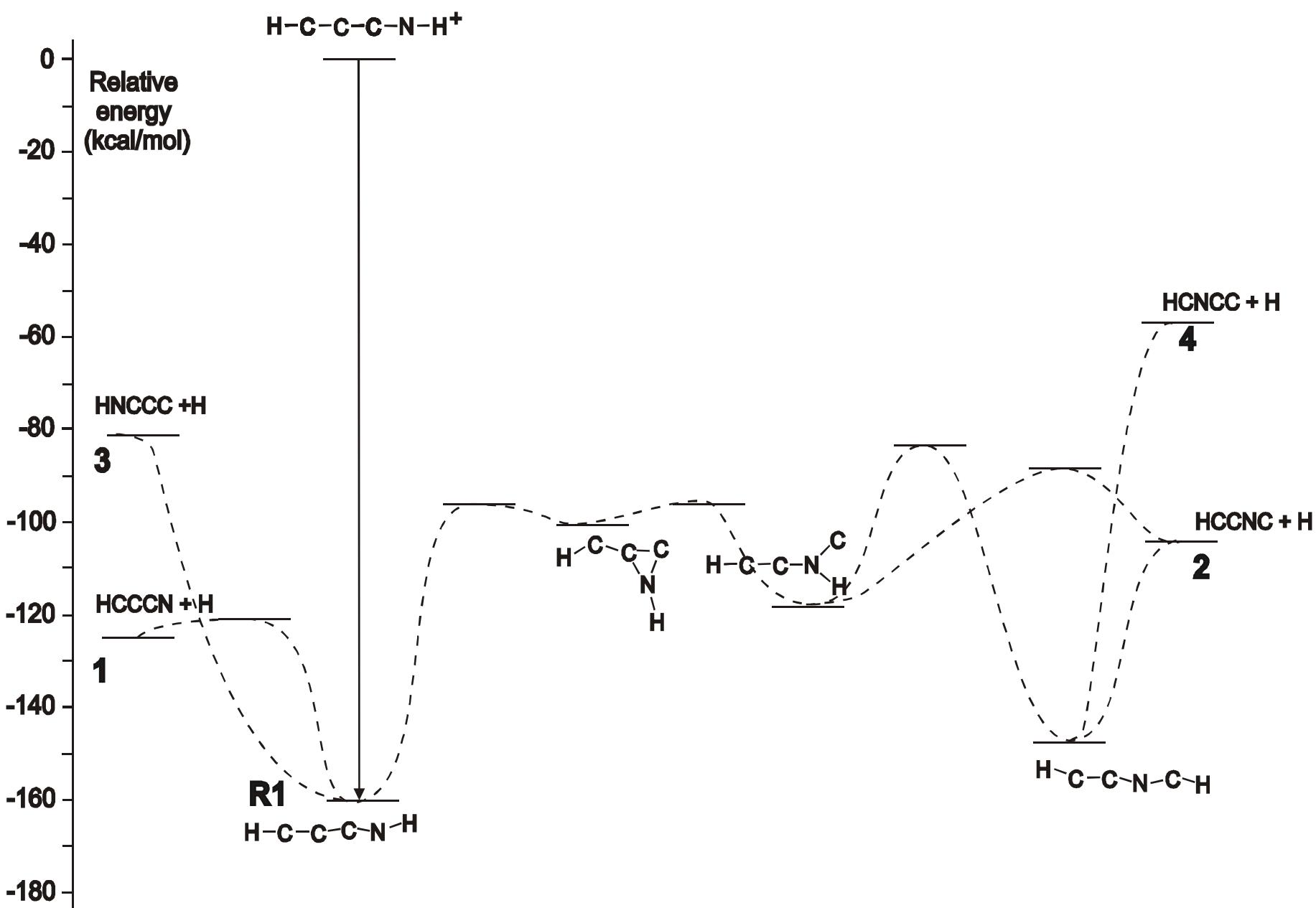
The dissociative recombination of HC_3NH^+



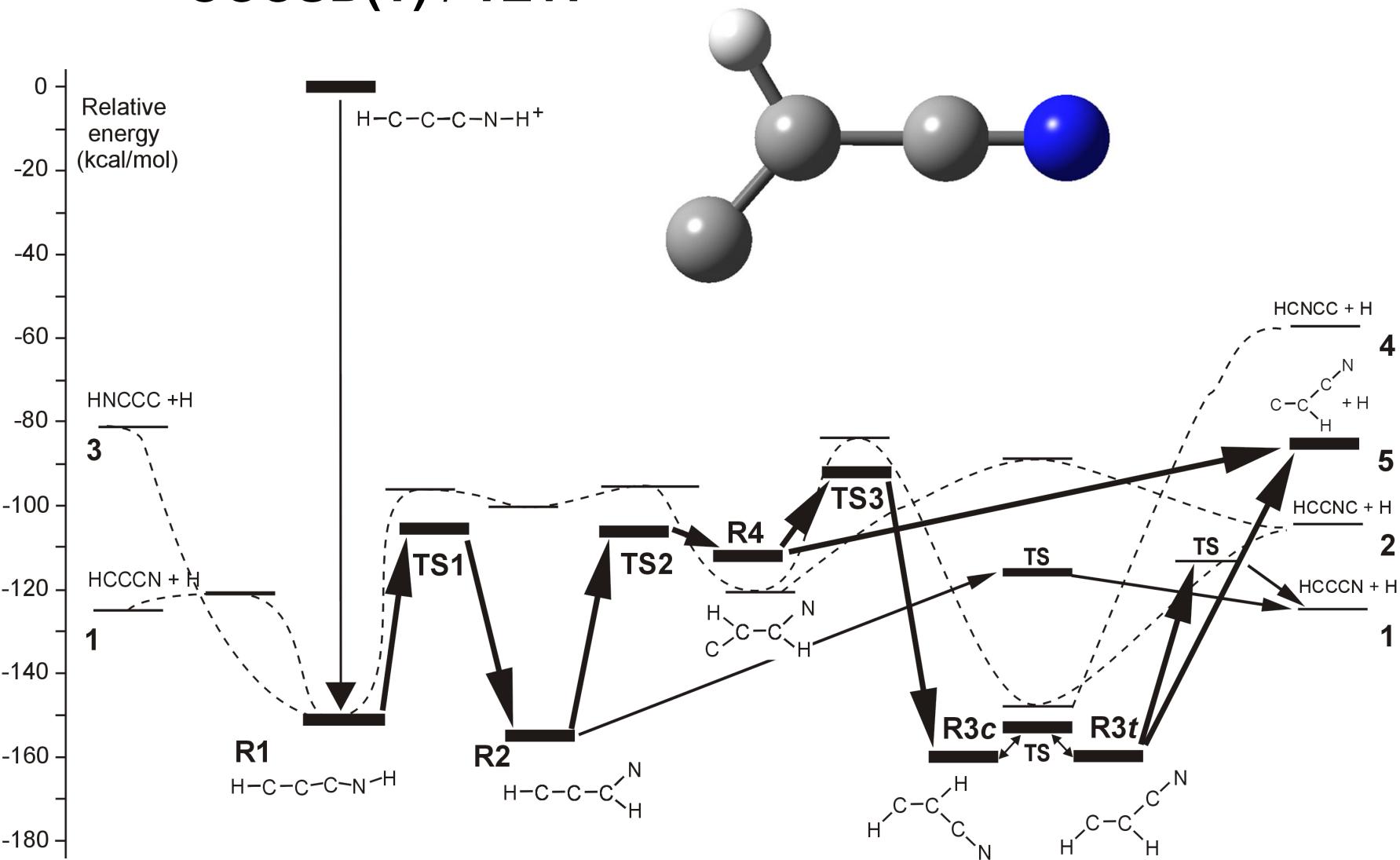
$\text{H} + \text{an HC}_3\text{N isomer}$

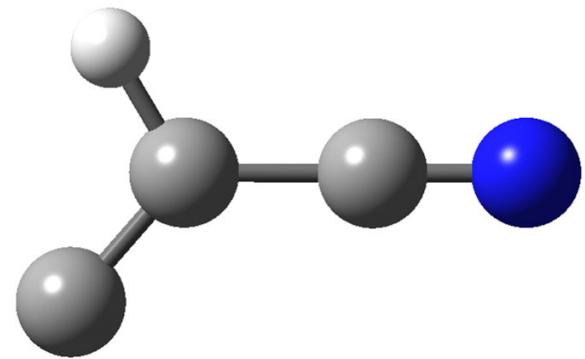
HC_3NH^+ creation :



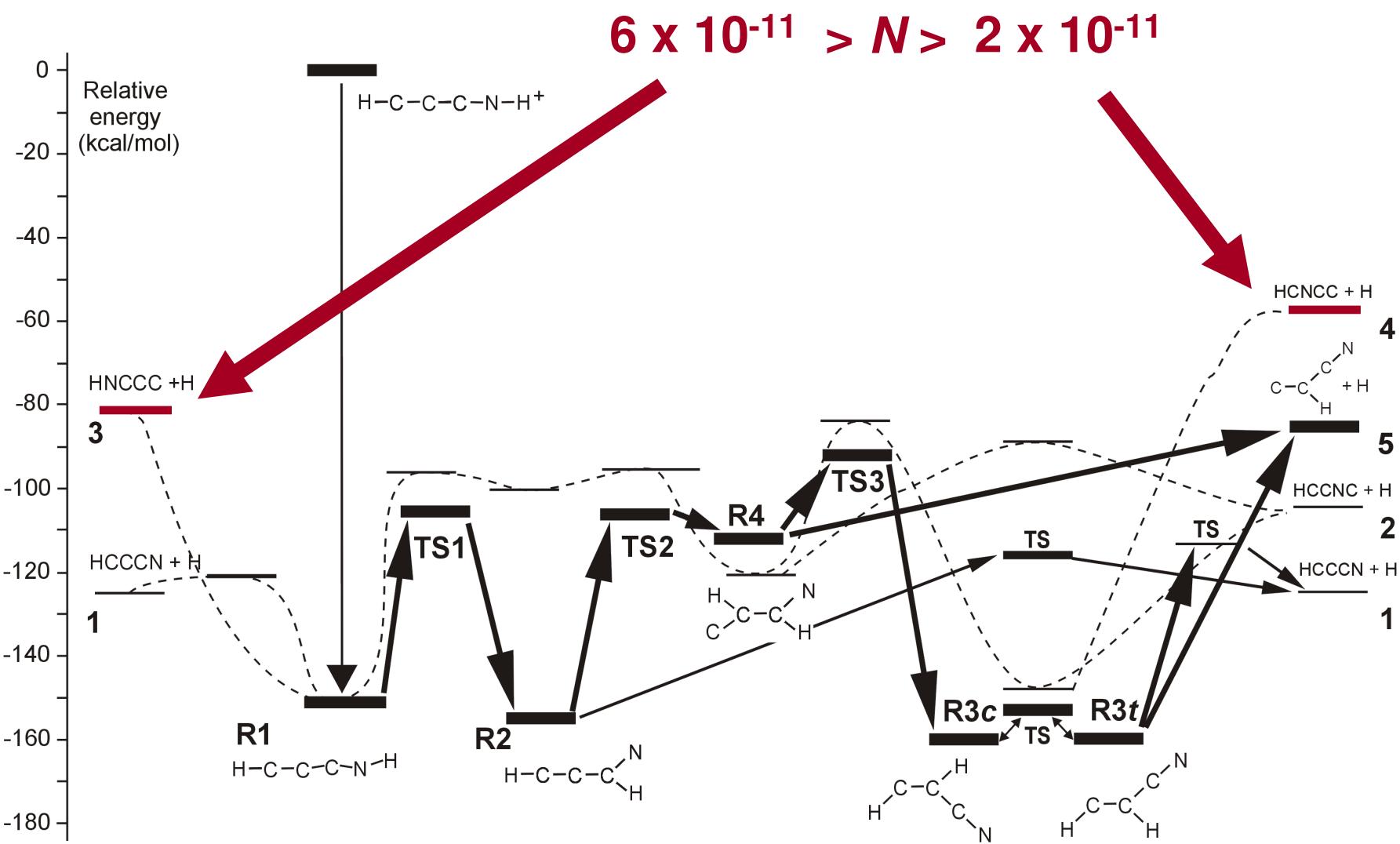


UCCSD(T) / TZVP





Can cyanovinylidene be detected?



Cyanovinylidene, rotational spectroscopy

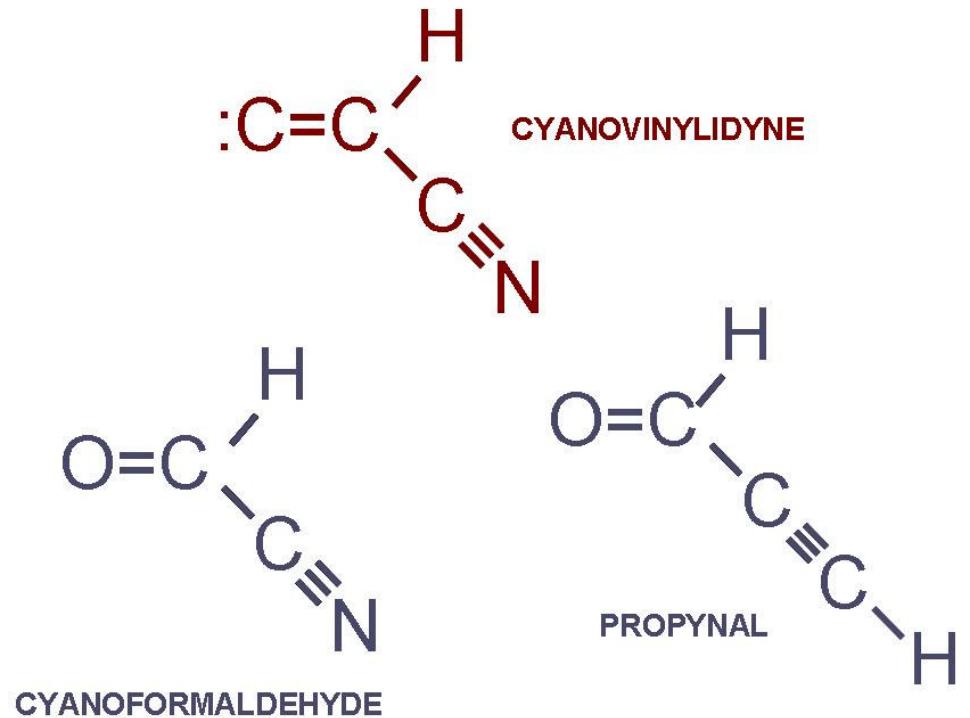
CCSD(T) prediction:

$A_o = 72\ 773 \text{ MHz}$

$B_o = 5\ 431 \text{ MHz}$

$C_o = 5\ 054 \text{ MHz}$

(scaling factor 1.010)



CCSD/cc-pVTZ
electric dipole moment
prediction: 2.77 D

Cyanovinylidene, vibrational spectroscopy

CCBD(T) anharmonic predictions

Mode / symmetry	Wavenumber cm ⁻¹	Intensity km/mol
1 / A'	2916.7	53
2 / A'	2257.2	22
3 / A'	1661.4	79
4 / A'	973.6	2
5 / A'	896.6	2
6 / A'	388.8	2
7 / A''	141.0	23
8 / A''	614.2	20
9 / A''	352.9	0

INTERSTELLAR ANIONS

(CC)_nCCH⁻ series:

n = 2:



McCarthy et al., *Ap. J.* 652, L141 (2006)

n = 1, 3:



Cernicharo et al., *A.& Ap.* 467, L37 (2007)

Brünken et al., *Ap. J.* 664, L43 (2007)

Gupta et al., *Ap. J.* 655, L57 (2007)

(CC)_nCN⁻ series:

n = 1:



P. Thaddeus et al., *Astrophys. J.* 677, 1132 (2008).

Experimental studies on $(CC)_nCN^-$

- mass spectrometry, soot/graphite arcing in N_2 atmosphere

Wang et al. *Chem. Phys. Lett.* 237, 463 (1995)

CN^- , C_3N^- , $C_{13}N^-$ ($n = 0 - 6$)

- matrix isolation of mass-selected ions

Grutter et al. *J. Chem. Phys.* 110, 1492 (1999)

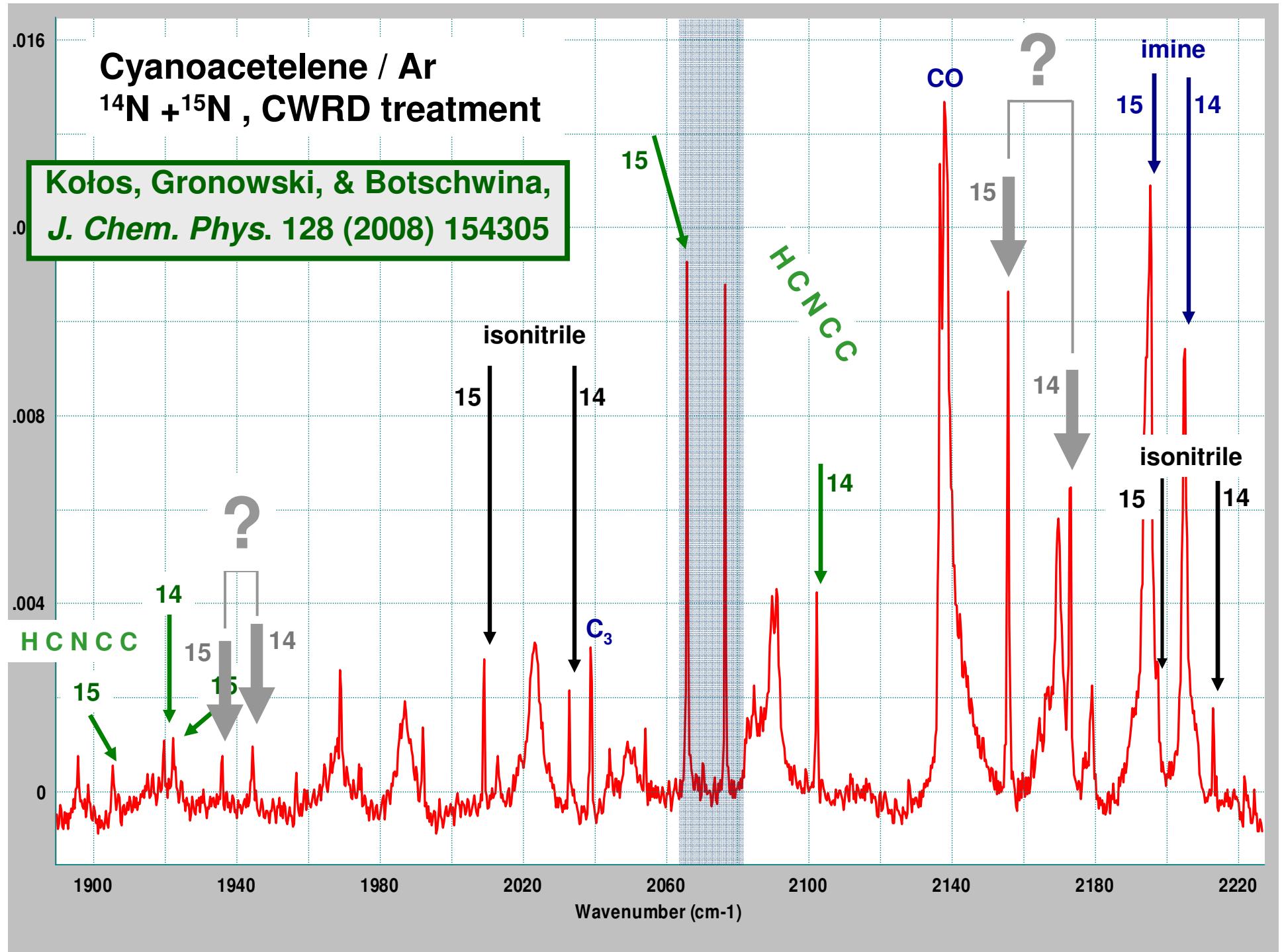
electronic spectra $n = 3 - 6$

IR spectra $n = 2 - 4$

$n = 1 ?$

The Cold-Window-Radial-Discharge *(CWRD)*





A single-nitrogen-containing non-hydride produced out of HC_3N



no agreement with calculations

P. Botschwina, M. Horn, J. Flügge & S. Seeger,
J. Chem. Soc. Faraday Trans. 89, 2219 (1993)



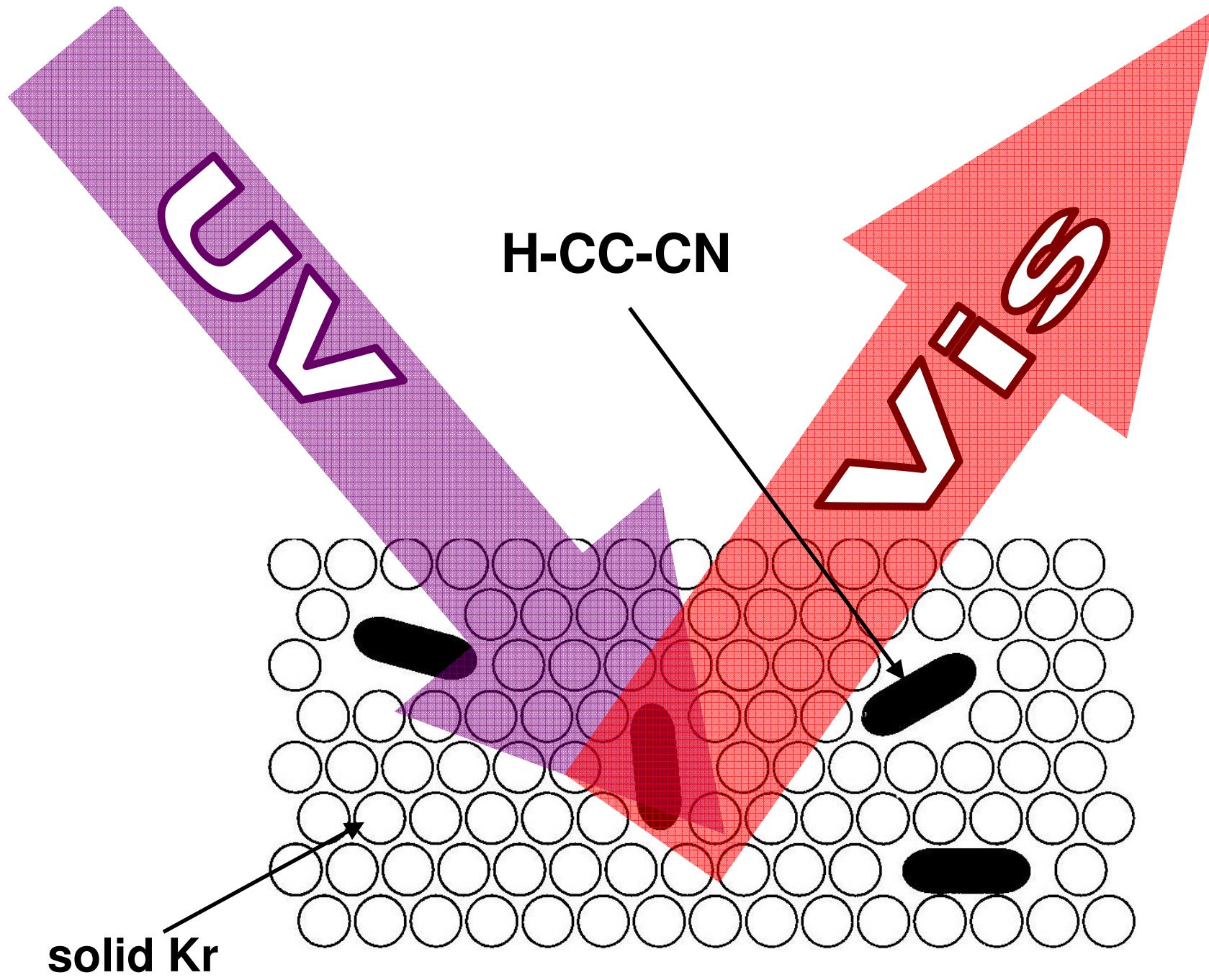
**as above; tentative identification
of a band at 2202 cm^{-1} (Ne) by**

A. M. Smith-Gicklhorn, M. Lorenz, R. Kołos
& V. E. Bondybey, J. Chem. Phys. 115, 7534 (2001)

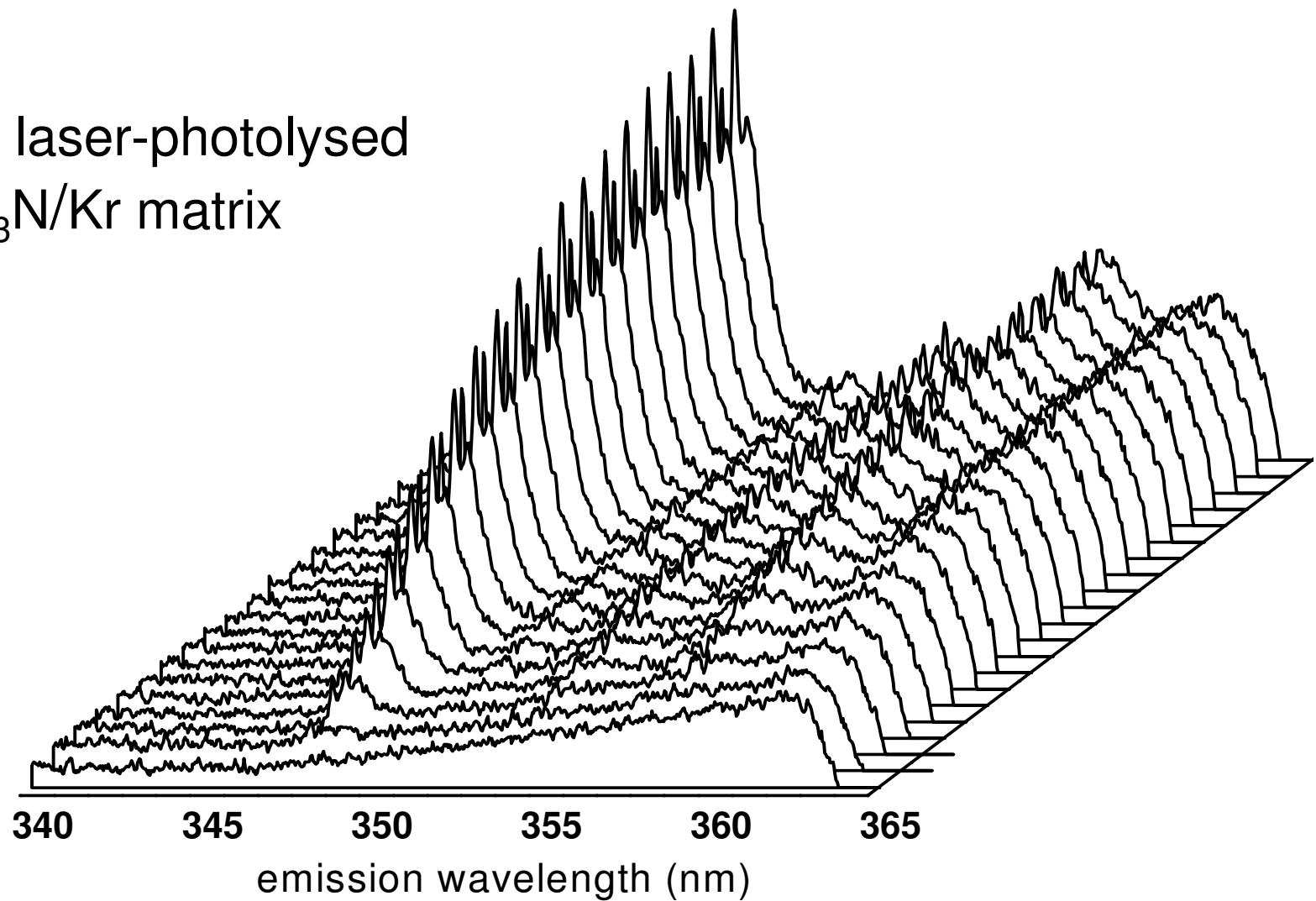


**a band at 2194 cm^{-1} (Ar) already
attributed to C_3N^- by**

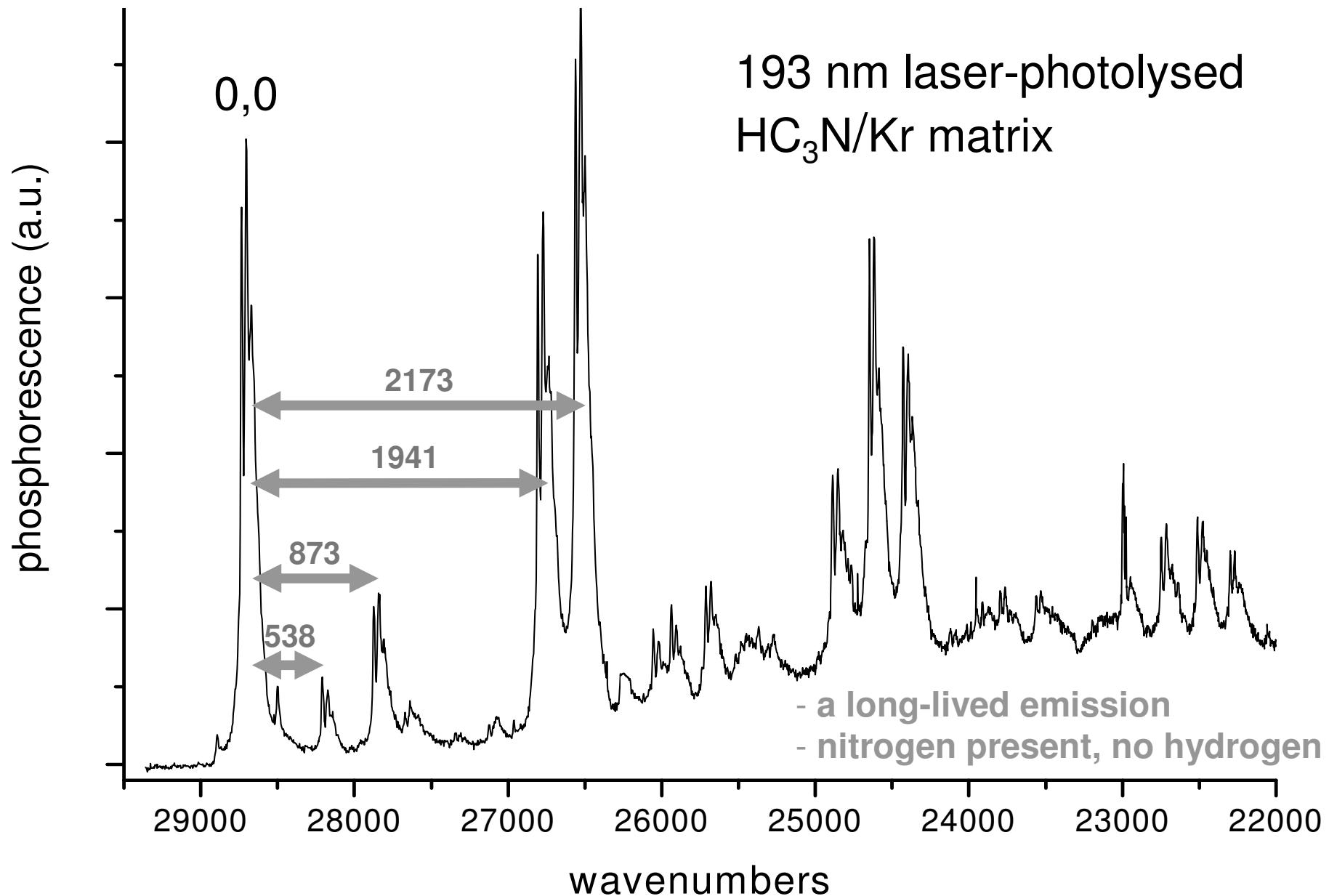
Z. Guennoun, I. Couturier-Tamburelli, N. Piétri
& J.P. Aycard, Chem. Phys. Lett. 368, 574 (2003).



ArF laser-photolysed
 $\text{HC}_3\text{N}/\text{Kr}$ matrix



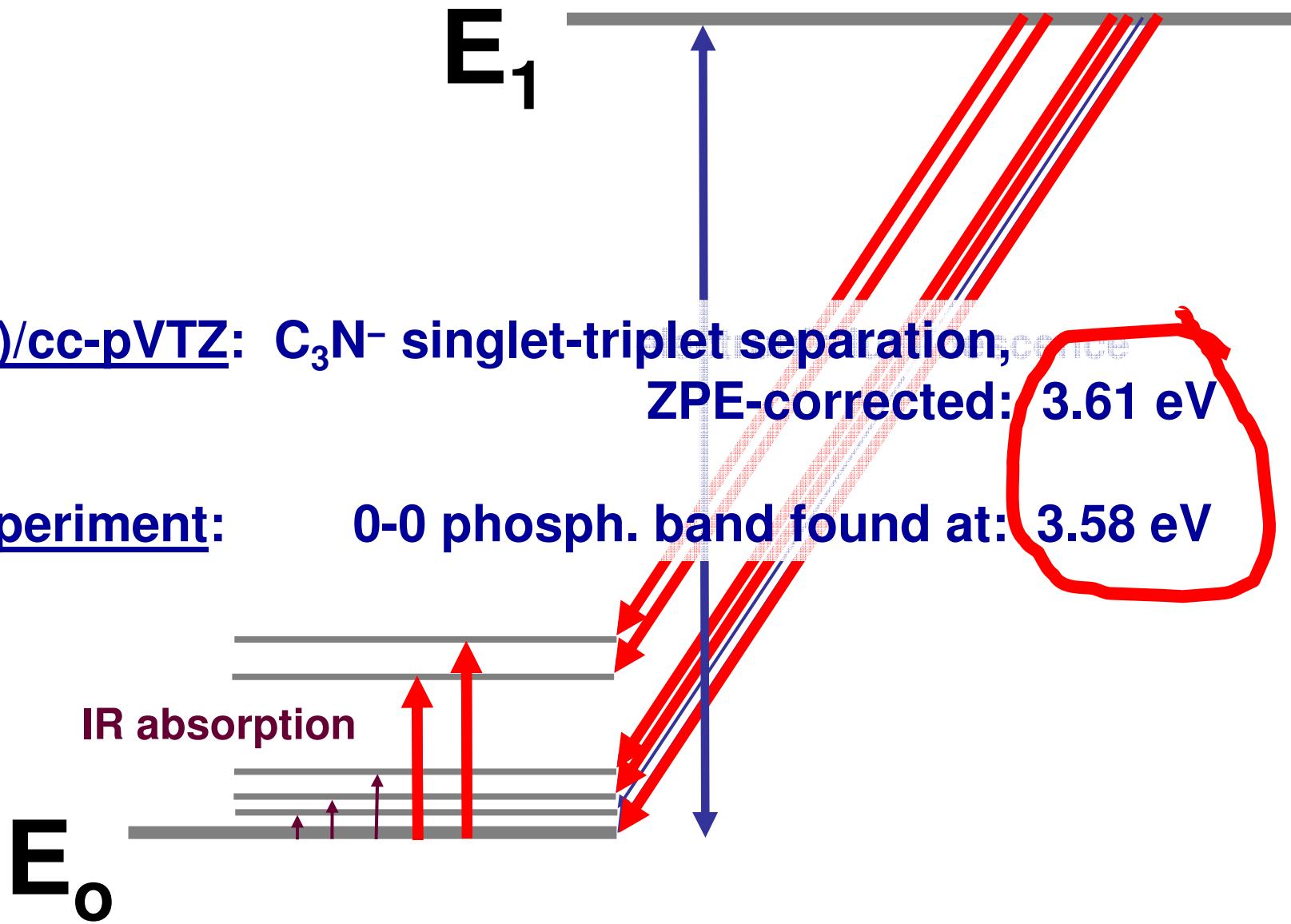
- long-lived
- nitrogen present, no hydrogen



M. Turowski, M. Gronowski, C. Crépin, S. Douin, S. Boyé-Péronne, L. Monéron ,
R. Kołos, *J. Chem. Phys.* 128 (2008) 164304

BD(T)/cc-pVTZ: C_3N^- singlet-triplet separation,
ZPE-corrected: 3.61 eV

Experiment: 0-0 phosph. band found at: 3.58 eV



Vibrational spectroscopy of CCCN⁻

	CCSD(T)		IR absorption in Ar		Phosphoresc. in Ar	
	cm ⁻¹ (km/mol)	14N-to-15N freq. shift	cm ⁻¹ (% intensity)	14N-to-15N freq. shift	cm ⁻¹	14N-to-15N freq. shift
ν_1	2182.3 (474.3)	-18.2	2178.7 (52)	-22.6	2173	-20
			2173.0 (100)	-17.2		
ν_2	1940.9 (46)	-8.2	1944.3 (14)	-8.3	1942	-9
ν_3	866.7 (10.0)	-10.1			873	-10
ω_4	532.8 (11)	-1.1			538	0
ω_5	203.0 (14)	-13.3				

Most intense IR absorptions of C₅N⁻ (freq. in cm⁻¹)

	Theory		Experiment	
mode	CCSD(T) ^a	BD(T) ^b	Ar ^b	Ne ^c
v ₁	2204 <i>(1245 km/mol)</i>	2207	2183.8	
v ₂	2129 <i>(580 km/mol)</i>	2126	2111.3	2115.9 ^c
v ₃	1928 <i>(253 km/mol)</i>	1925	1923.2	

^a Botschwina *et al.* (2008)

^b Coupeaud, Turowski, Gronowski, Piétri, Kołos, Aycard;
J. Chem. Phys. 128 (2008) 154303

^c Grutter, Wyss, Maier, *J. Chem. Phys.* 110 (1999) 1492

OUTLOOK

- 1. The search for cyanovinylidene, in particular at UV/visible wavelengths.**
- 2. Electronic spectroscopy of allowed (singlet-singlet) transitions for C₃N⁻ and C₅N⁻ anions.**
- 3. Gas-phase spectroscopy of what has already been identified in frozen solids.**

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