# The multiple personalities of cosmic dust

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## Outline

- Introduction: Cosmic dust
- The multiple personalities of cosmic dust: catalyst VS reservoir
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  - Dust as reservoir: from water to ices  $\rightarrow$  deuterium used  $\rightarrow$  our oceans
- Dust and star formation
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## Interstellar dust grains

- upper atmosphere (aircraft)
- Falling on earth (40 tons /day)
- Emission/absorption







## Interstellar dust grains



Weingartner & Draine 2001 Mathis, Rumpl & Nordsieck 1977

DUST= Silicates, Amorphous carbon, PAHs PAHs = 50% of surface available for chemistry







## The interplay between dust, ice and gas



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Star form in clouds made of gas + dust



Dust as **catalyst**  $\rightarrow$  simple process to form simple species? Dust as **reservoir**  $\rightarrow$  composition and complexity of ices? Dust **catalyst/reservoir** impacts gas composition  $\rightarrow$  star formation?

## Dust as Catalyst: Molecular hydrogen



Diffuse cloud H atomic

 $H \rightarrow H_2$ 

#### Molecular cloud H molecular



## Dust as Catalyst: Molecular hydrogen

H<sub>2</sub> is the most abundant molecule of the Universe

- $H + e^- \rightarrow H^- + hv$
- $H^- + H \rightarrow H_2 + e^-$

This reaction is not efficient to explain the abundances of  $H_2$  in the Milky Way  $\rightarrow$  dust Gould & Salpeter 1963, APJ, 138, 408

H<sub>2</sub> forms on dust particles if small amount of dust is present (10<sup>-3</sup>) *Cazaux & Spaans 2004, APJ, 611, 40* 





Model H<sub>2</sub> formation on dust interaction H/surface: **weak** OR **strong**  $\rightarrow$  H<sub>2</sub> forms for wide range of T dust

## Formation of H<sub>2</sub> on dust: Interaction H/surface



Sha et al, Surface 2002

Formation of  $H_2$ 

physisorbed atoms @ low T<sub>dust</sub> chemisorbed atoms @ high T<sub>dust</sub>

 $H_2$  forms for a wide range a  $T_{dust}$ 

Drop in efficiencies at T<sub>dust</sub> > 20K

H<sub>2</sub> formation on PAHs?



Cazaux & Tielens 2002; 2004



Boschman, L., Reitsma, G., Cazaux, S., Schlathoelter, T., Hoekstra, R., Spaans, M. **Zernike Institute for Advanced materials** in Groningen



Boschman, L. et al. 2012



Boschman, L. et al. 2012





DFT calculations  $\rightarrow$  Equilibrium geometries, binding energies and transition states

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- Hydrogenation of coronene cations follow a definite sequence (from binding energies and attachment barriers)→ occurrence of stable states 5, 11 and 17 = Magic numbers
- For these stable closed-shell cations: further hydrogenation requires appreciable structural changes → high barriers
- PAHs should be found in very hydrogenated state in ISM H + PAHH → H<sub>2</sub> + PAH
  H<sub>2</sub> increases with number of H UV + PAHH → H and H<sub>2</sub> loss
- H<sub>2</sub> formation in the ISM?

## H<sub>2</sub> formation rate: Photo-dissociation Regions



Abergel et al. 1996; Habart et al. 2003

## Formation of H<sub>2</sub> PAHs VS dust



Boschman et al. A&A 2015

## Formation of molecules on dust

Some reactions on dust → gas Experiments → formation of water surfaces

50 % of water forming on silicates is ejected in the gas upon formation → concerns many more reactions Dulieu et al. 2012, Nature SR





## Formation of molecules on dust



This process depends on:

- binding energy products
- degree of freedom of products
- mass relative /surface

chemical desorption process → Essential to quantify how dust impact the chemical composition of star forming regions.

## Formation of molecules on dust



## Diffuse clouds



#### Diffuse clouds: H atomic

#### $O+H \rightarrow OH$ $OH+H \rightarrow H_2O$



Cazaux, S., Cobut, V., Marseille, M., Spaans, M., & Caselli, P. 2010, A&A, 522, A74

## Regions exposed to radiation



Formation of water on dust >> gas if Tdust<40K Meijerink, Cazaux & Spaans 2011

## Dense clouds



### H molecular

### $H_2 + O \rightarrow OH + H$



## From catalyst to reservoir

- Chemistry on dust  $\rightarrow$  impacts the gas
- Different dust temperature imply different chemistry (hydrogenation VS oxygenation)
- As the environment evolve: diffuse  $\rightarrow$  molecular the personality of dust changes  $\rightarrow$  reservoir





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Reservoir: Stealing gas → Ices



brought to planets → asteroids/comets

Dust as **reservoir**  $\rightarrow$  composition and complexity of ices?

## Dust as reservoir: Interstellar ices



B68 IRAIN 30m; *Bergin et al. 2002* Extinction Av~27 C<sup>18</sup>O J=1-0

## Prestellar cores: CO depleted from the gas Bergin et al. 2002; Crapsi et al. 2004



## Interstellar ices



Hartogh et al. 2011, Nature, 478, 7368, 218

## Formation of interstellar ices



• CO and O both freeze out Av ~3 *Hollenbach et al. 2008* 

## Formation of the ices



Env.	$n_{\mathrm{H}}$	n <sub>HI</sub>	$n_{\mathrm{H}_2}$	n <sub>DI</sub>	$n_{OI}^a$	$n^a_{\rm CO}$	$\mathrm{T}^{b}_{\mathrm{dust}}$	$\mathrm{T}^b_{\mathrm{gas}}$
Translucent	$10^{3}$	0.5	$5 \ 10^2$	$3 \ 10^{-3}$	0.15	0.15	12	20
	$10^{3}$	0.5	$5 \ 10^2$	$3 \ 10^{-3}$	0.15	0.15	15	30
	$10^{3}$	0.5	$5 \ 10^2$	$3 \ 10^{-3}$	0.15	0.15	17	70
Collapsing	$10^{5}$	0.5	$5 \ 10^4$	$2.5 \ 10^{-2}$	0.001	0.001	12	12

## Formation of ices



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## Comparison with observations



Deuteration of H<sub>2</sub>O widely spread  $\rightarrow$ relates physical conditions formation of ices Studying formation of heavy water  $\rightarrow$  clues on the origin of our Oceans / conditions of first phases SF

## Interstellar ices

Heavy water HDO  $\rightarrow$  origin of our oceans?

Our origin  $\rightarrow$  cold and dense

Results fro 67 P Ju lite HDO/ Difference



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## Dust and star formation

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## The impact of dust on star formation



Molecular cloud evolution: Hydrodynamic code dust affects

- → Cloud fragmentation
- → Star formation and final masses

## The impact of dust on star formation



### The impact of dust on star formation



## Dust, ice and gas in star formation



- Follow formation/composition of ices with cloud evolution.
- Predict gas content during cloud evolution  $\rightarrow$  observables
- During SF  $\rightarrow$  CO freeze onto dust  $\rightarrow$  less coolant in the gas

## Dust, ice and gas in star formation

**Cloud Evolution** 



Hocuk Cazaux & Spaans 2012

## Dust, ice and gas in star formation

Initial mass function (mass distribution of stars). Include sink particles to form stars If dust is included  $\rightarrow$  leads to IMF similar to Salpeter. More simulations needed for lower masses.



## Conclusions

- Interplay between dust, ice and gas is essential to predict/interpret observations
  - Dust catalyst  $\rightarrow$  enrich the gas
  - Dust reservoir  $\rightarrow$  steals the gas  $\rightarrow$  ices (our memories)
- Description of the ISM → crucial to star formation.
  - Divergences from a clouds with/without dust.
  - Preliminary results show that some coolants should be missing to reproduce the observed IMF.

## Interstellar dust: The hidden protagonist



#### Leon Boschman PHD



OF spectrometer

MCP dete

Experiment





**Simulations** 

Seyit Hocuk postdoc

## Thank you