

Spectroscopie rotationnelle et vibrationnelle d'espèces d'intérêt astrophysique en laboratoire

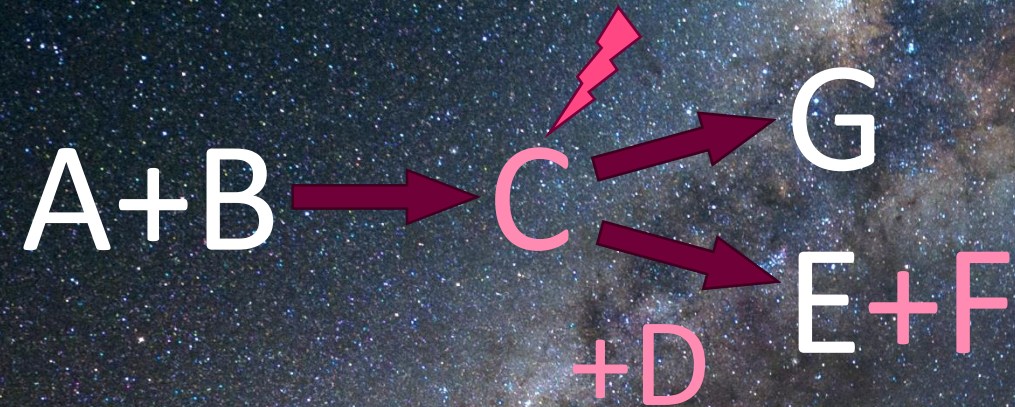
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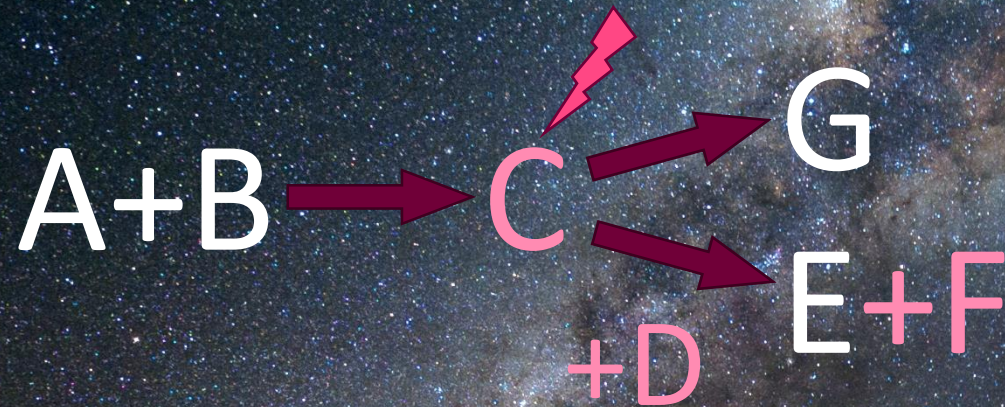


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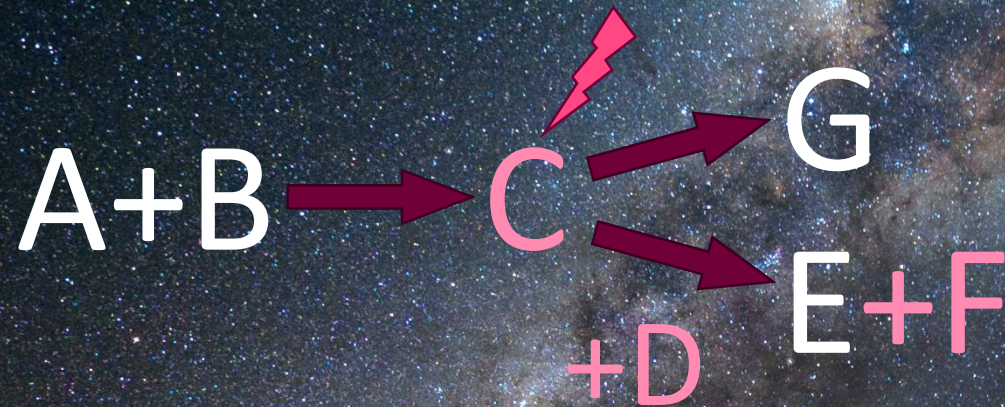
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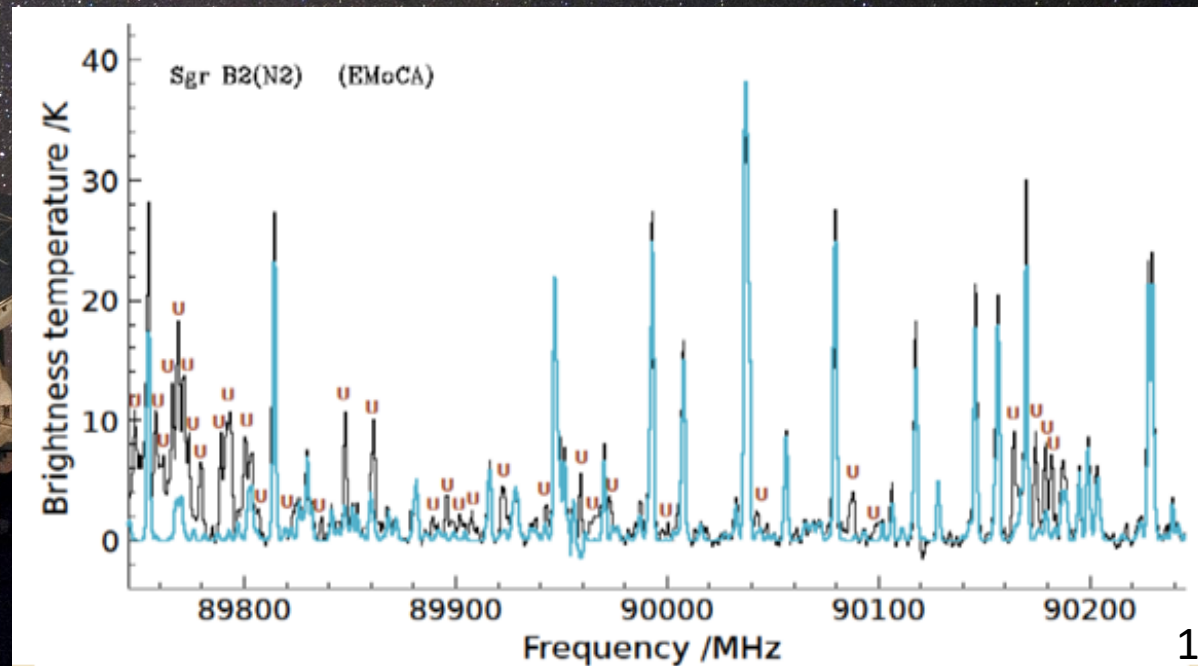
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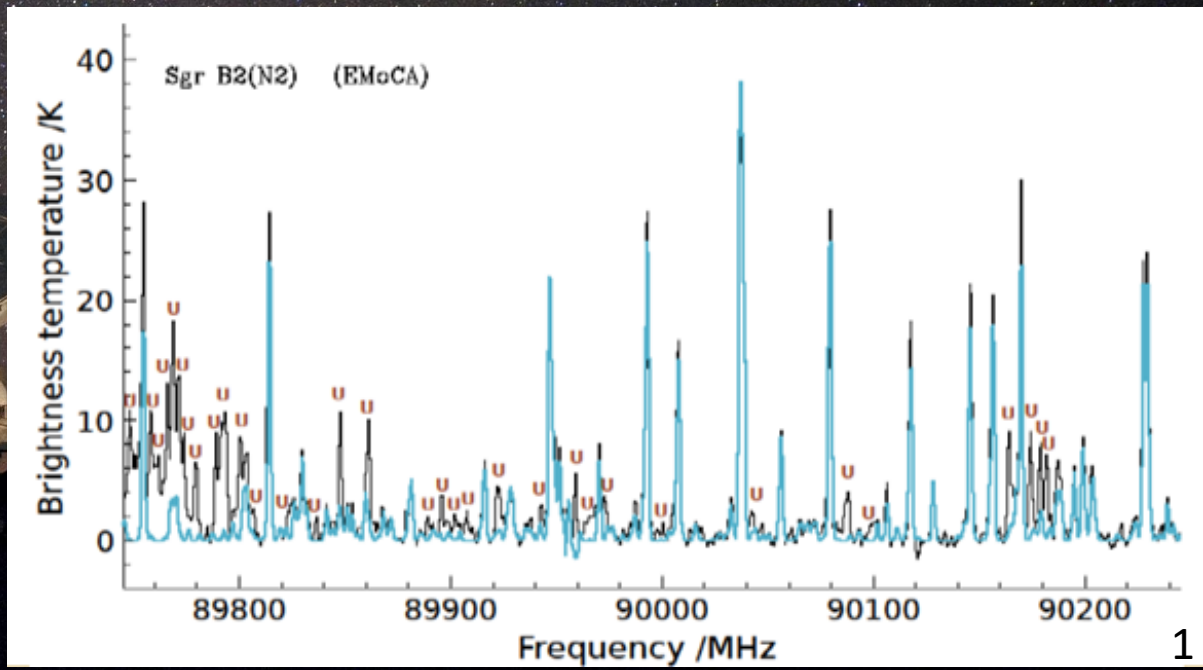
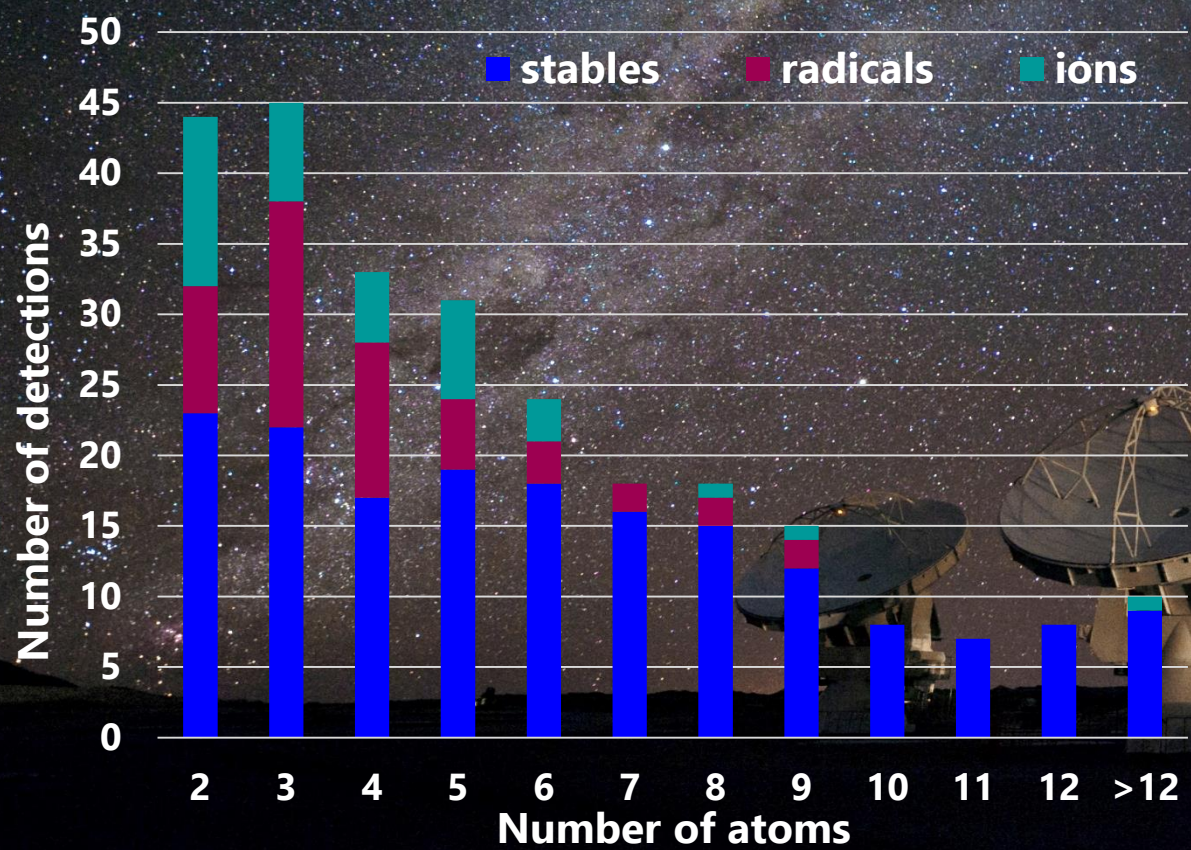
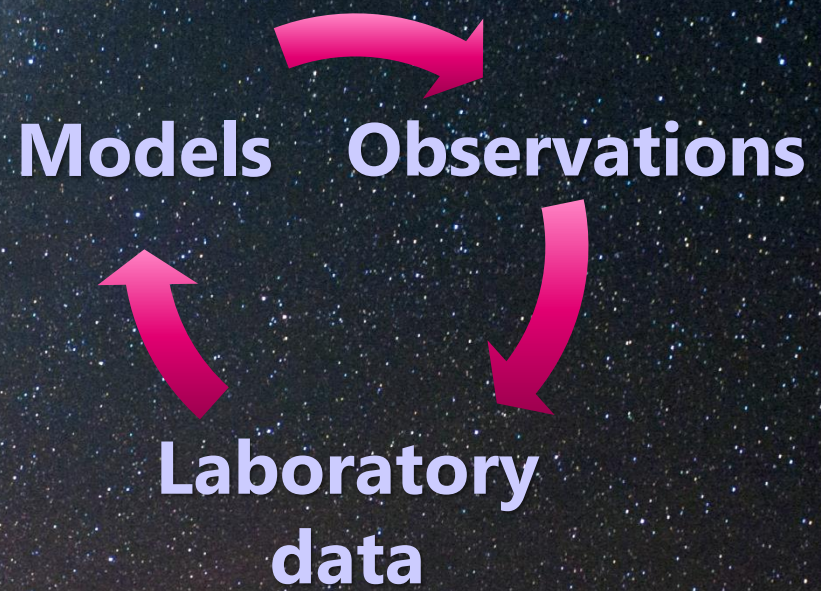
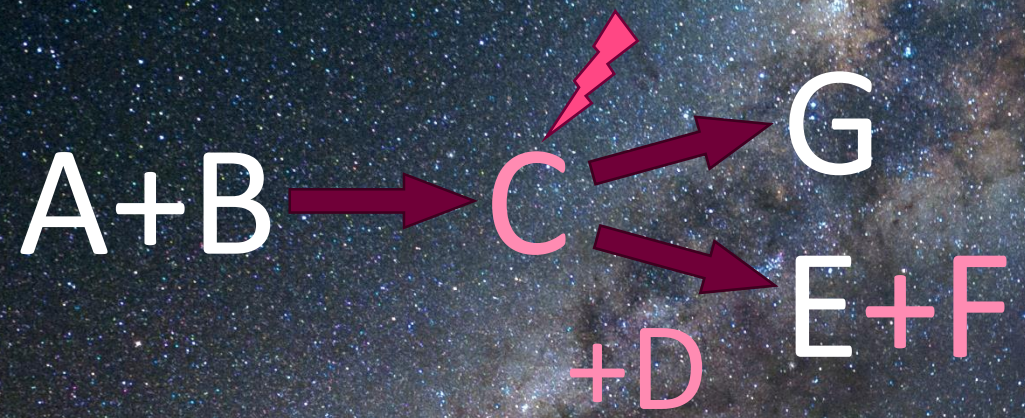
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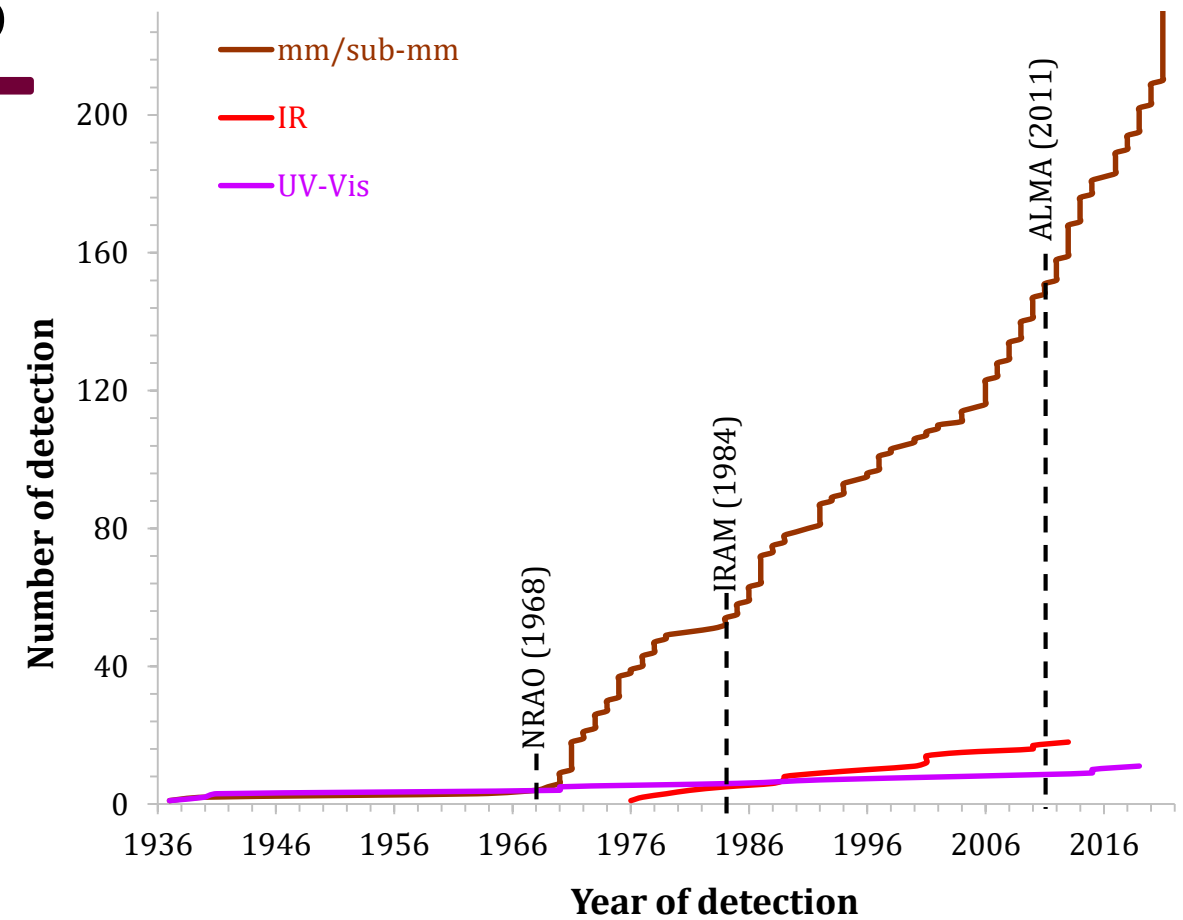
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millimeter wave

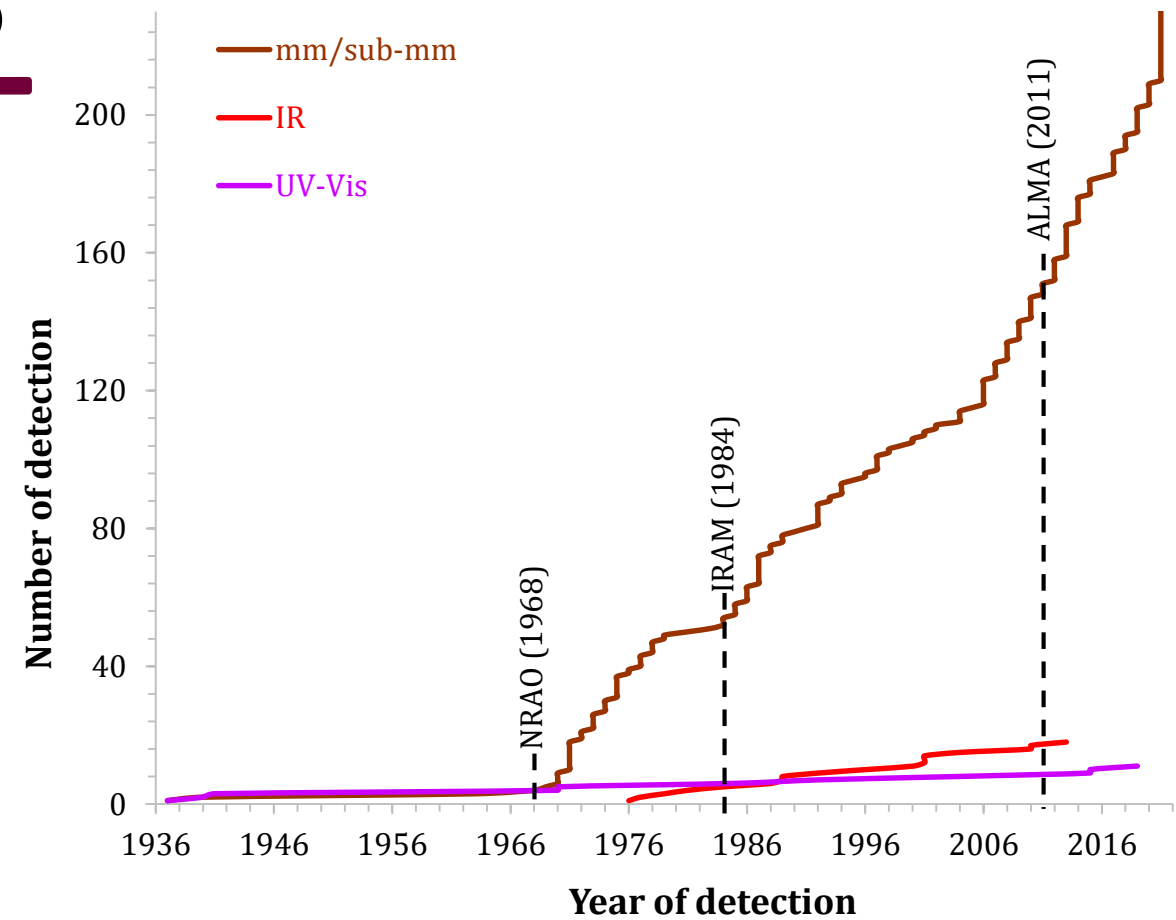
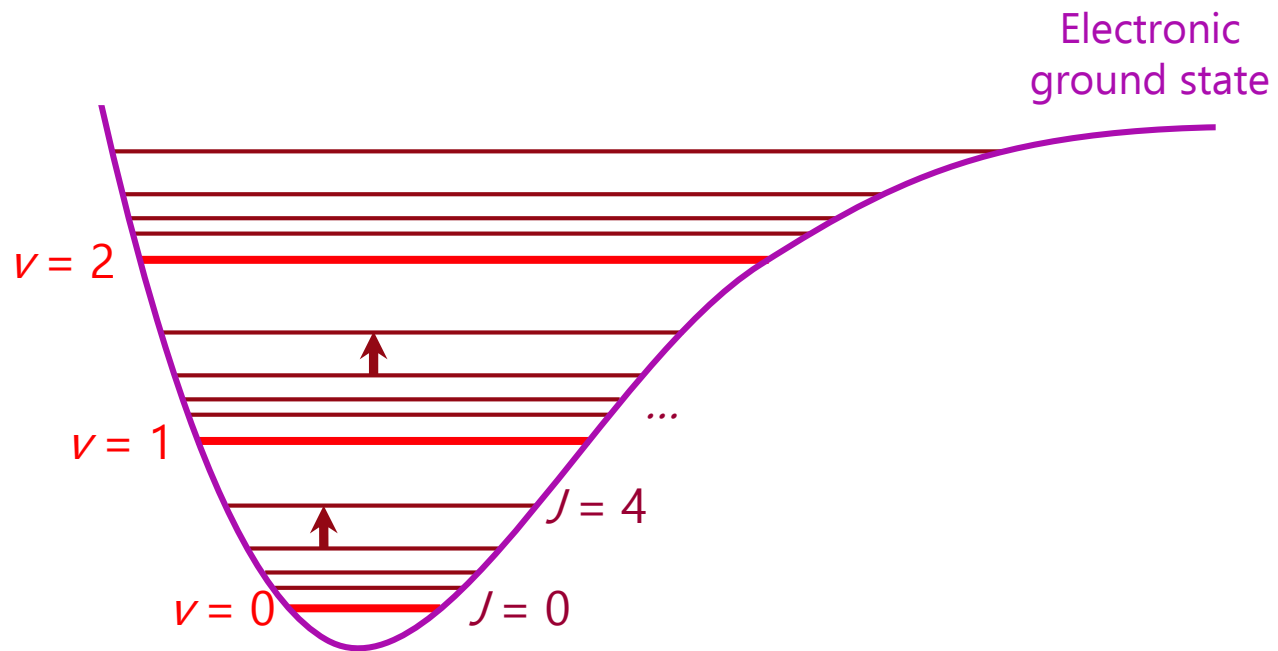
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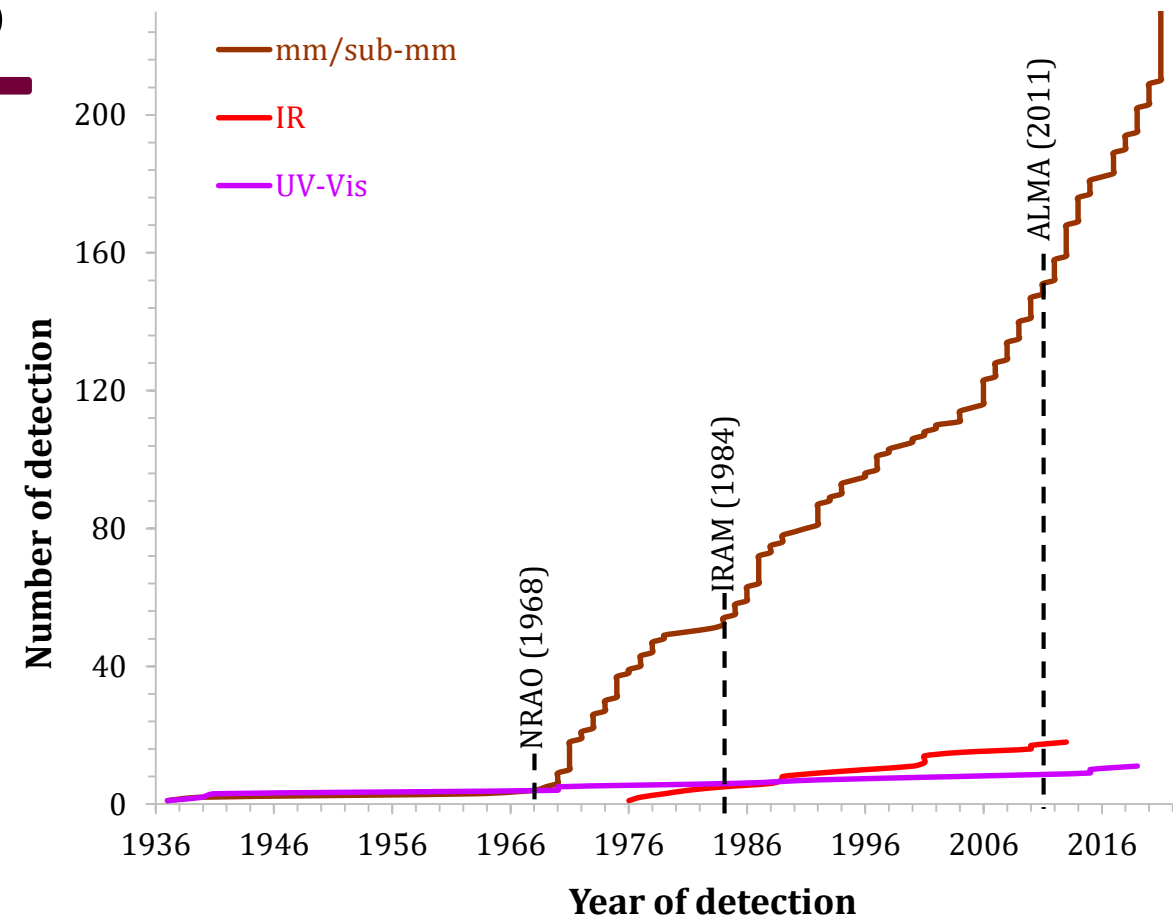
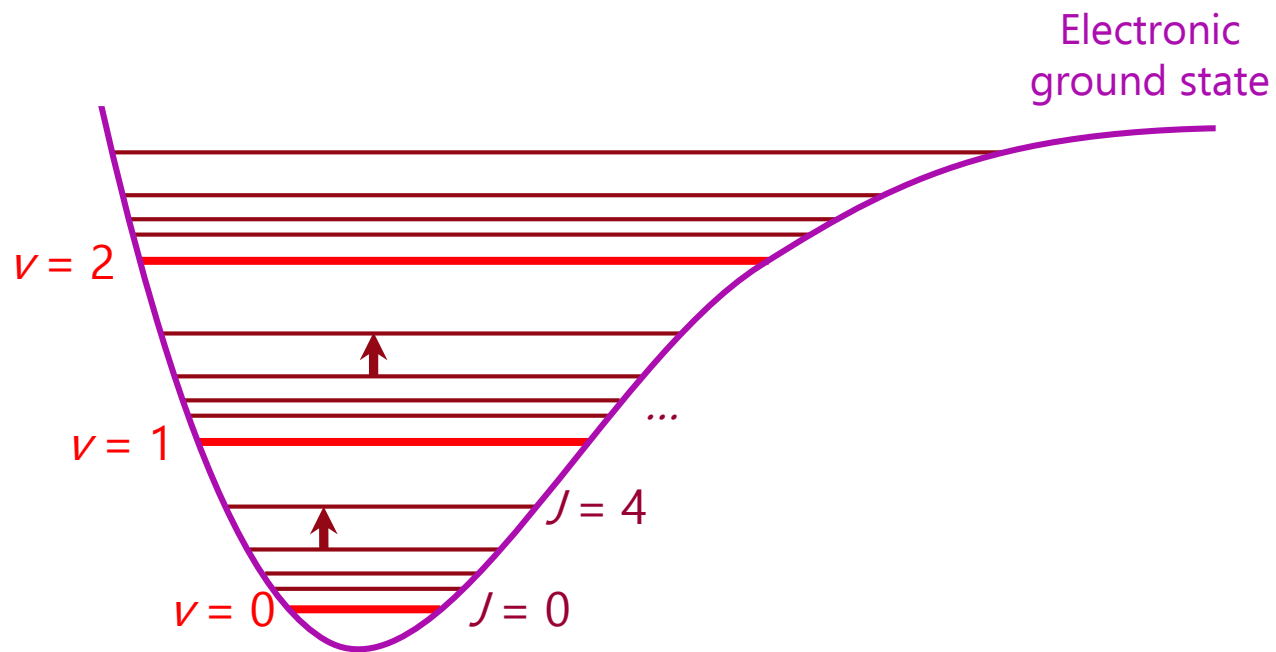
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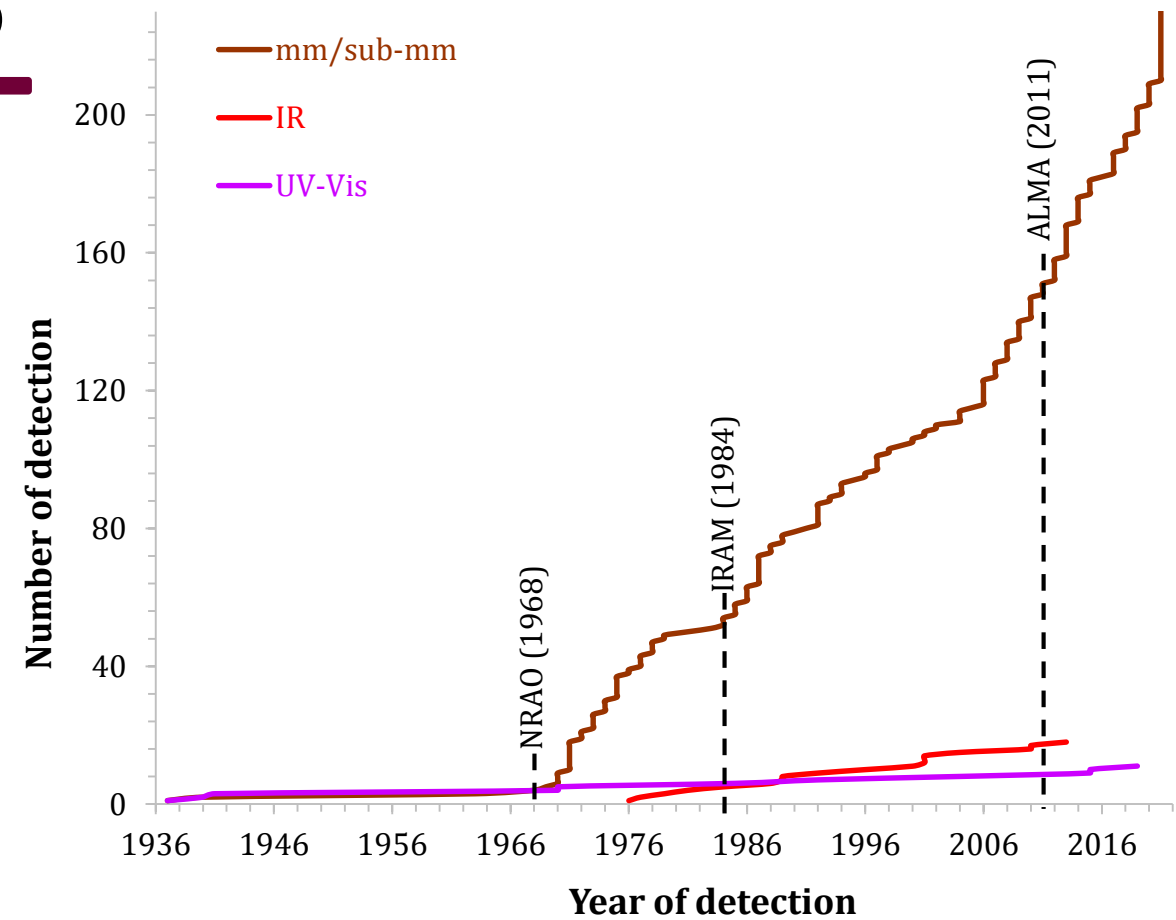
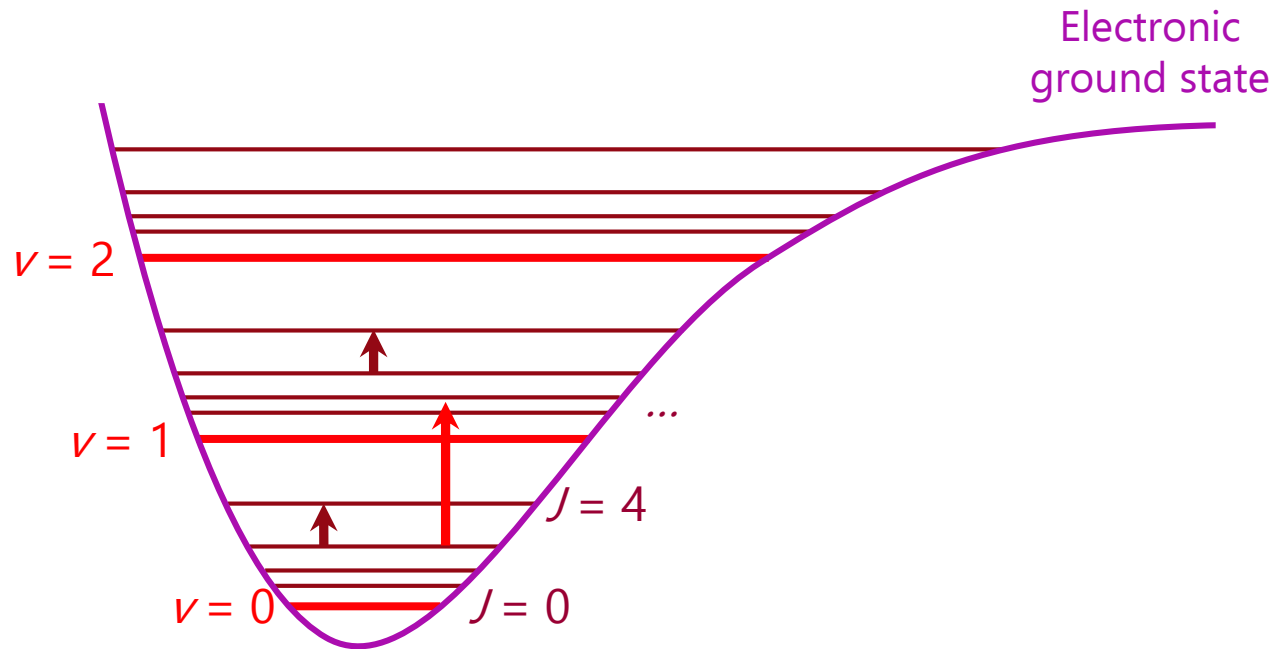
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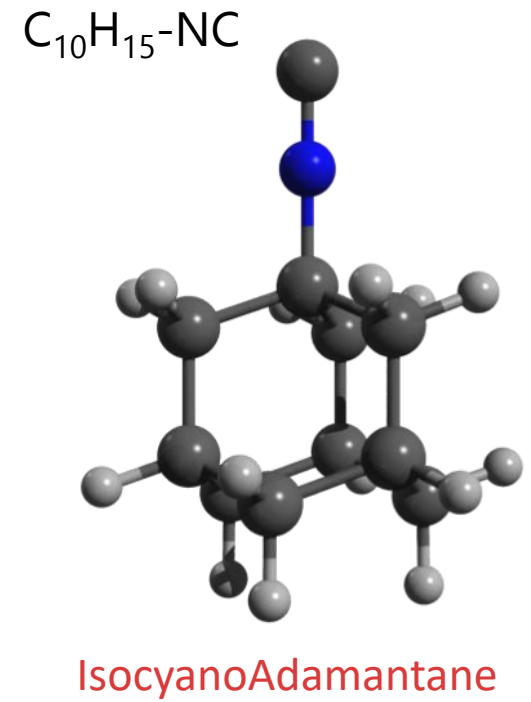
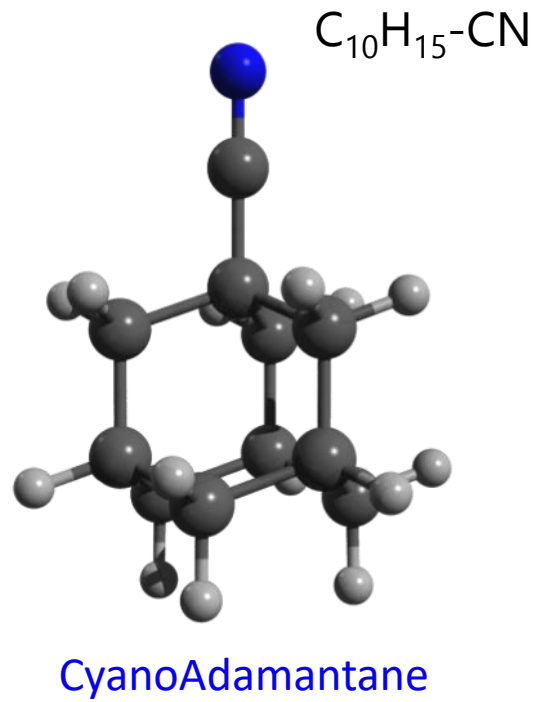
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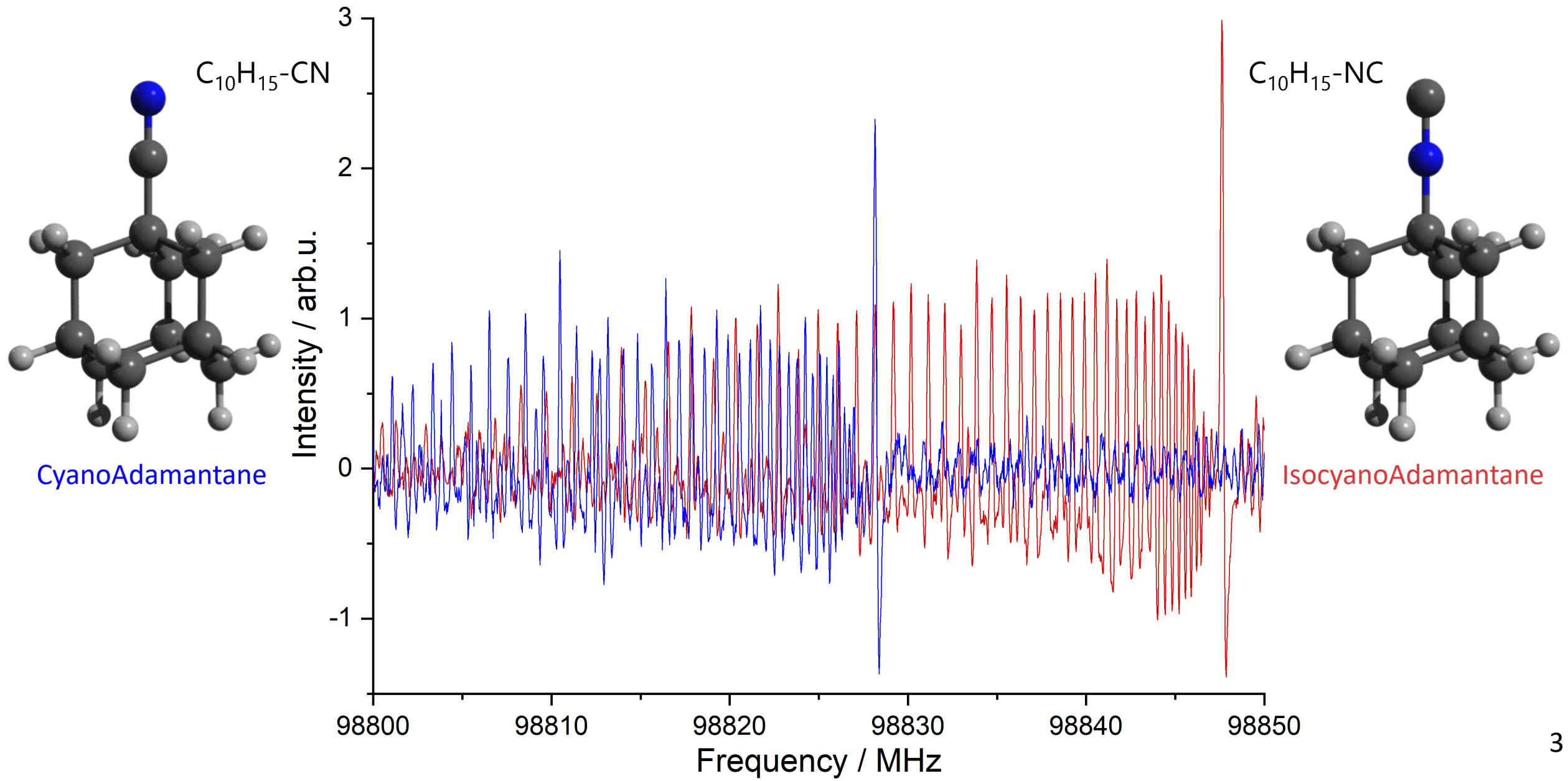
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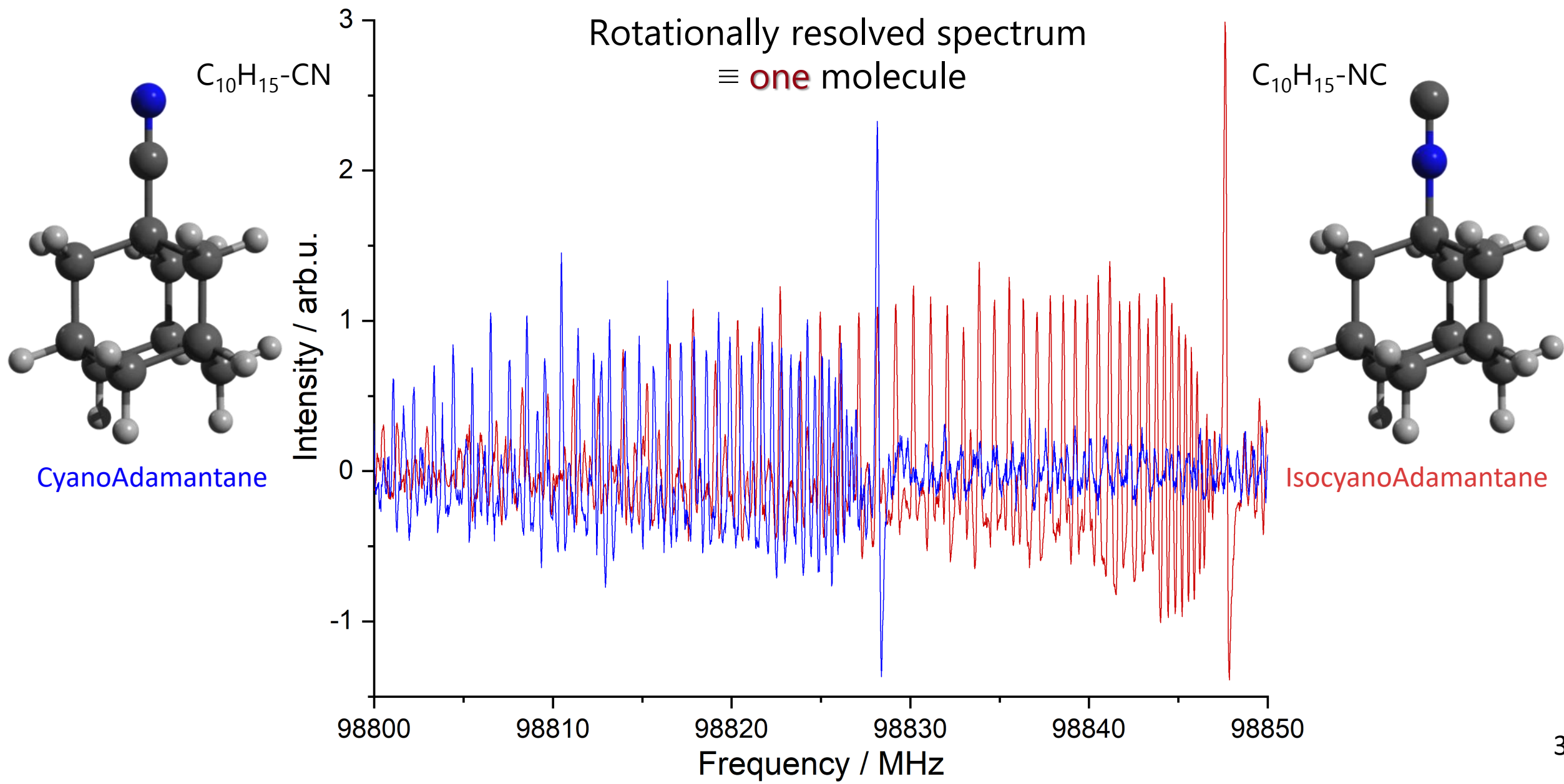
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High Resolution Spectroscopy in the lab



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Chirped-pulse millimeter-wave spectrometer 75 - 110 GHz

- + **Broadband**
- + **Fast**
- + **High sensitivity**
- **Limited spectral range**
- **Limited resolution**

Frequency-multiplication-based (sub)millimeter-wave spectrometer 75 - 900 GHz

- + **High spectral range**
- + **High resolution**
- **Monofrequency**
- **Slow**



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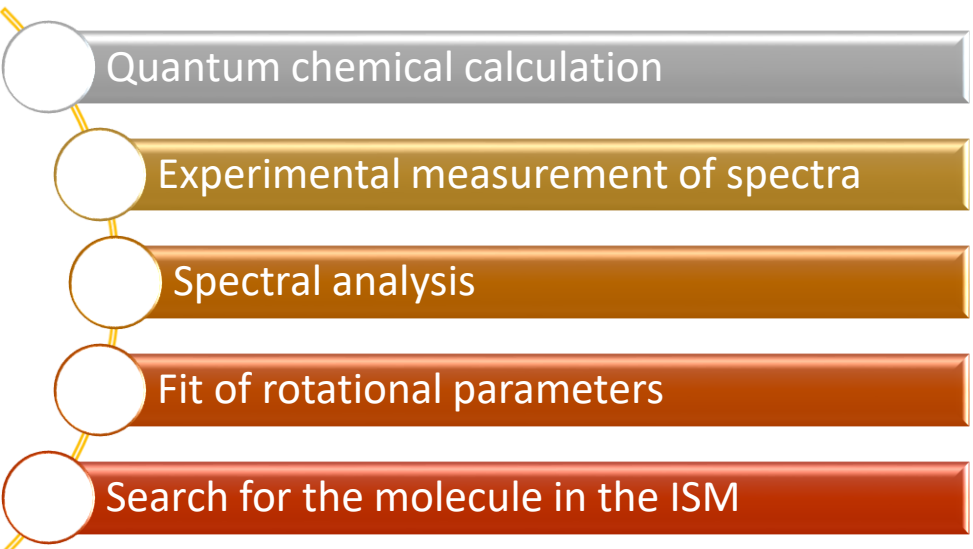
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Experimental measurement of spectra

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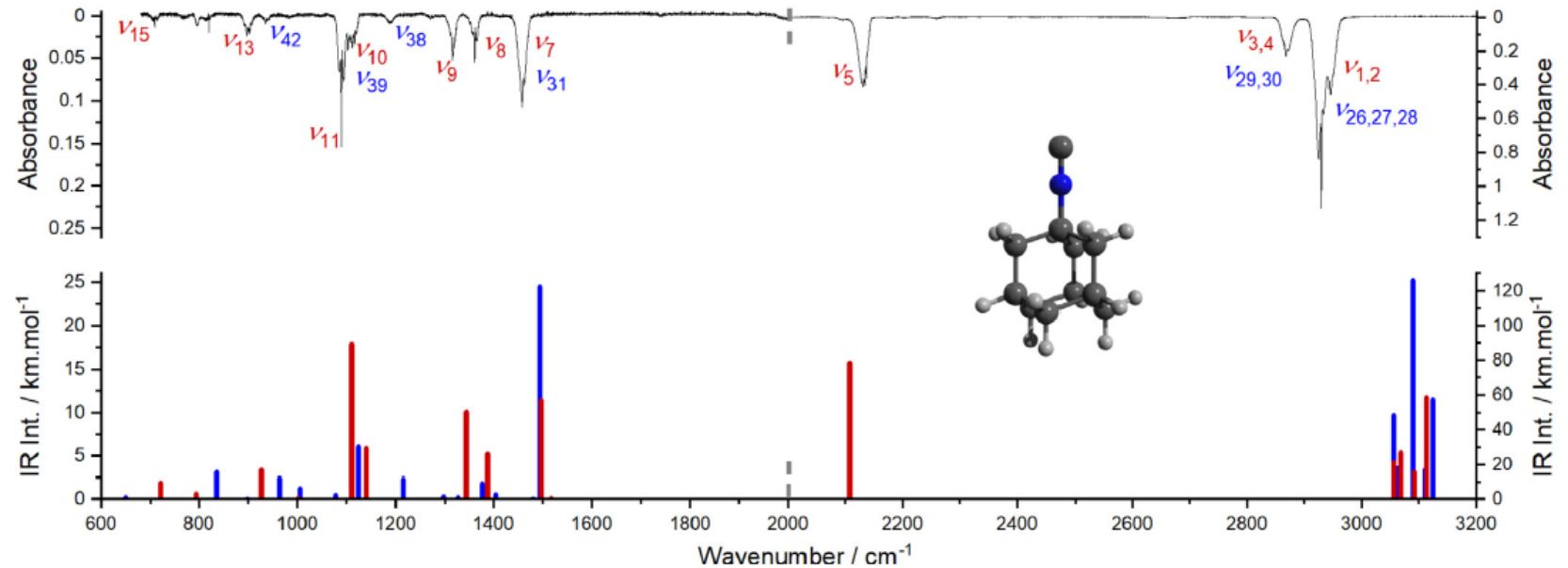
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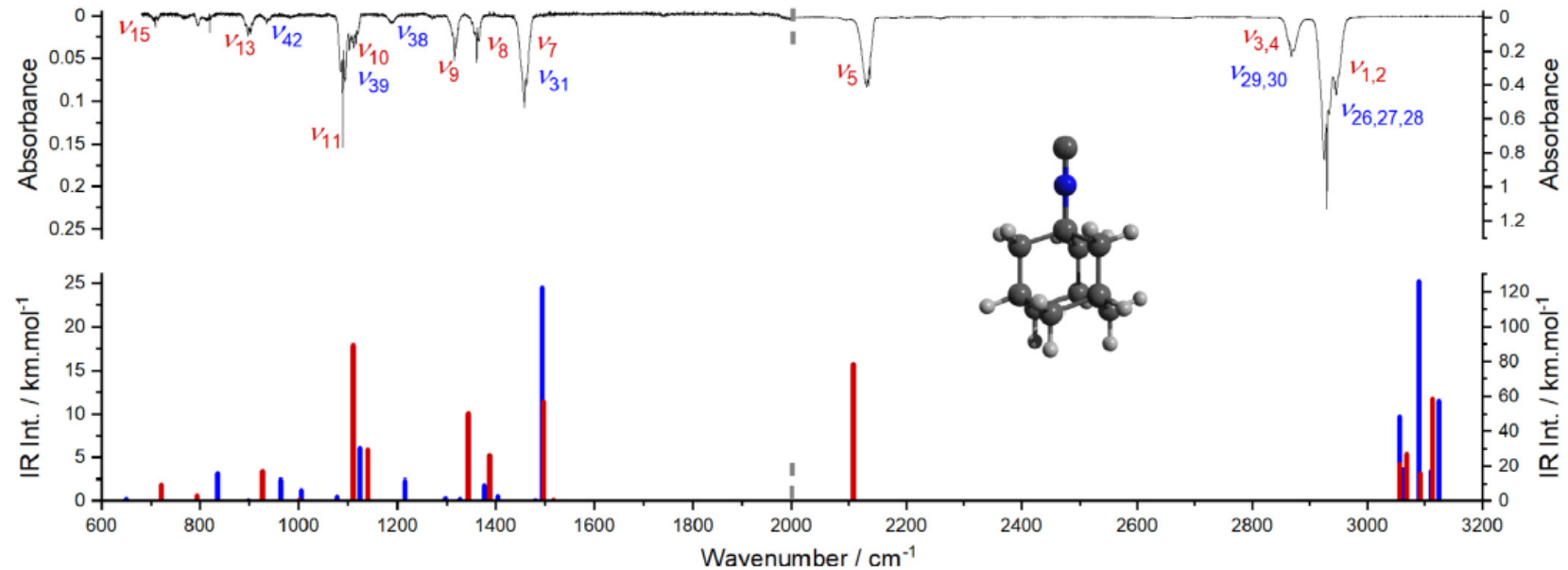
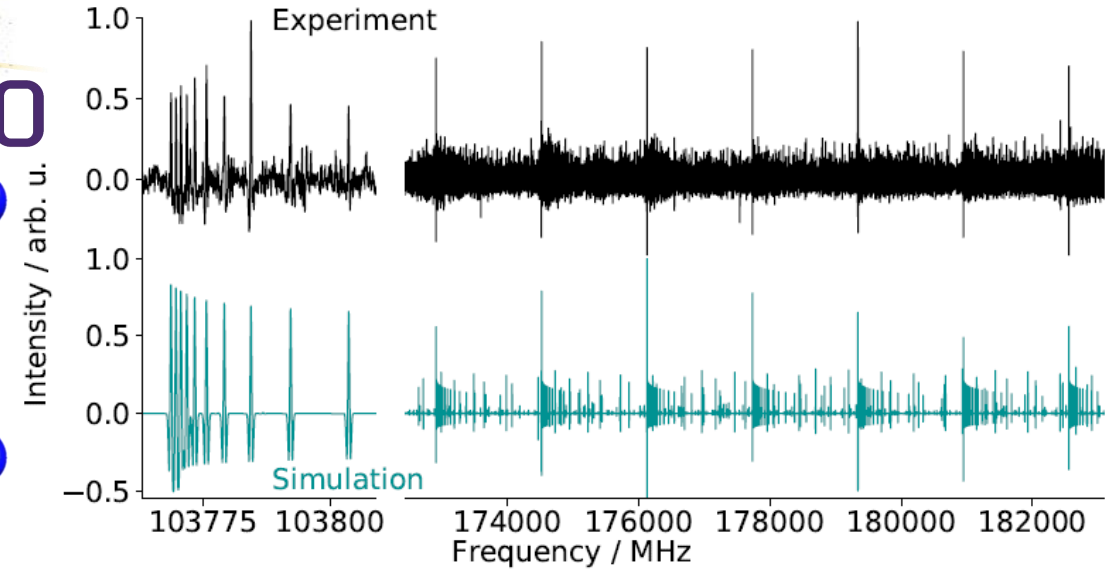
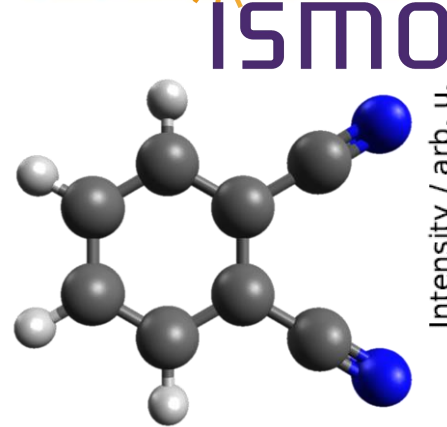
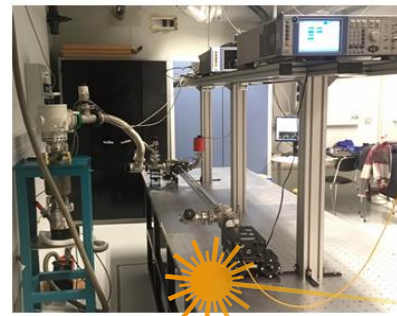
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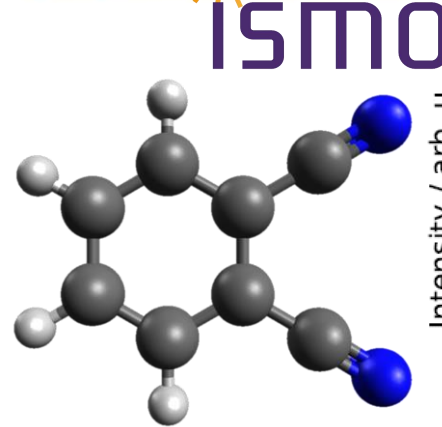
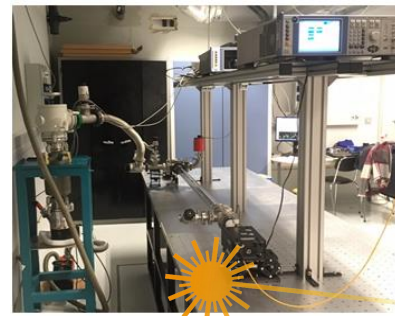
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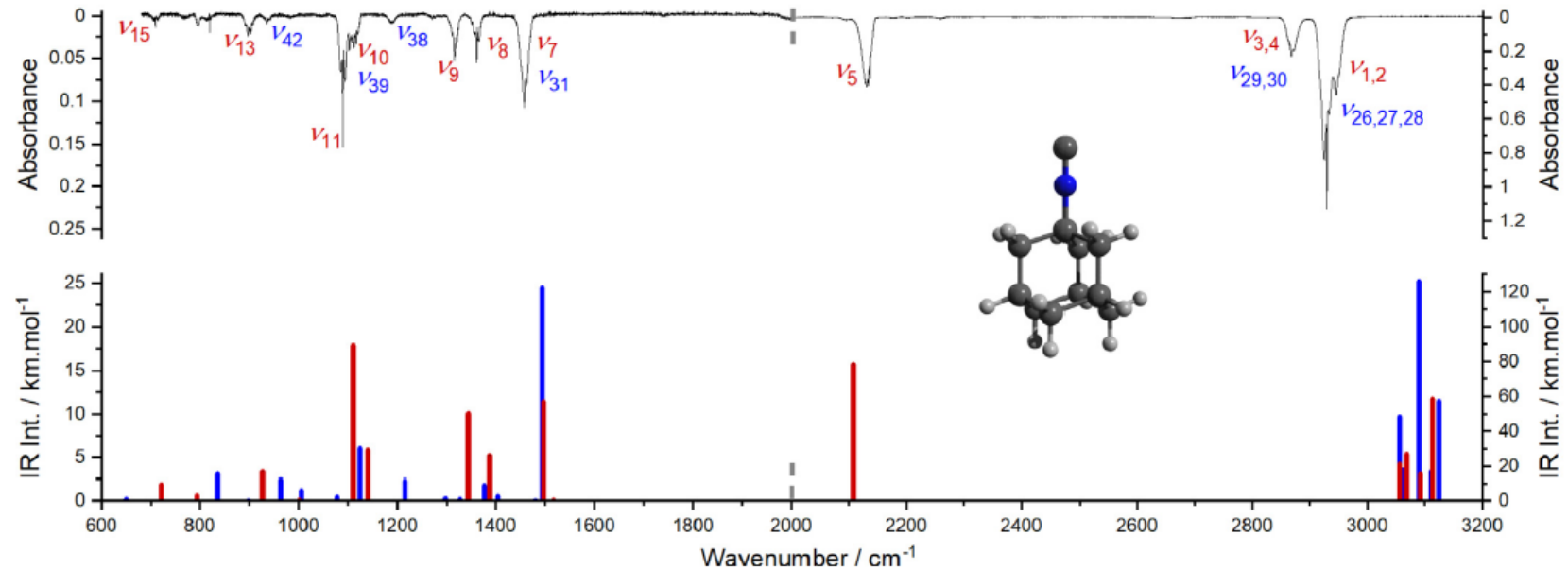
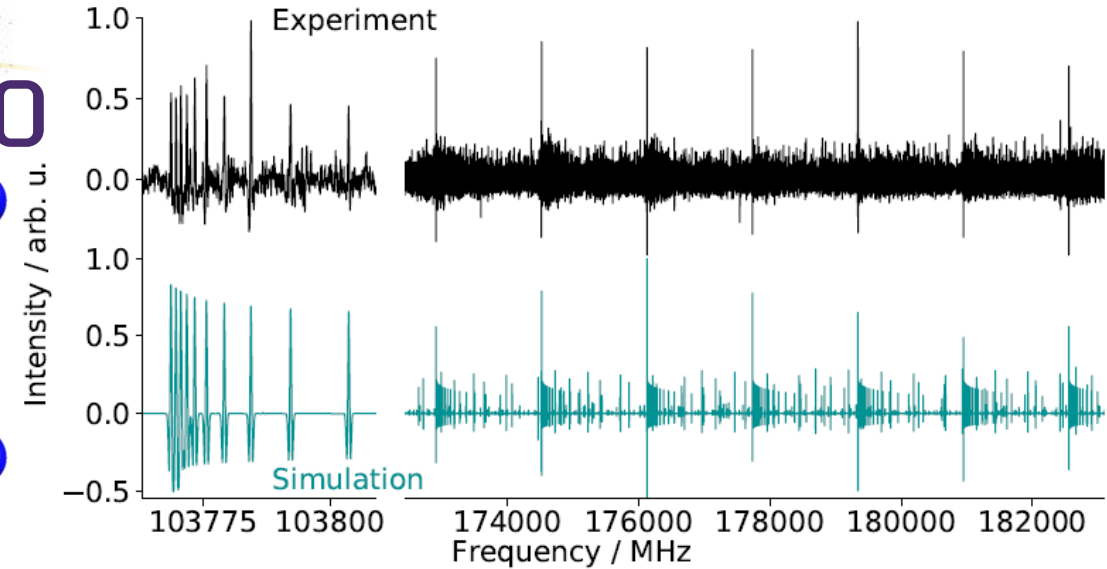
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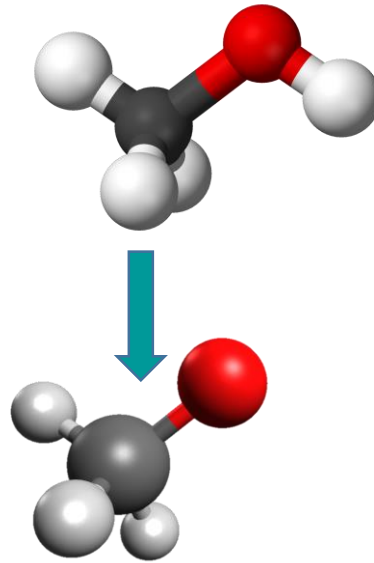
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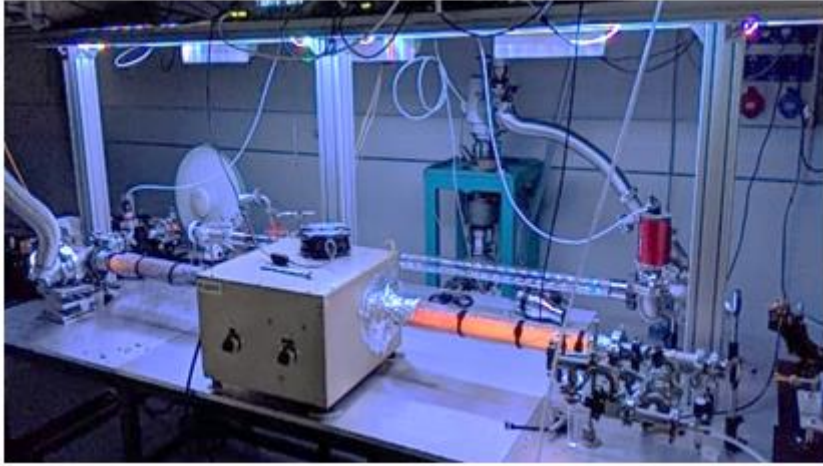
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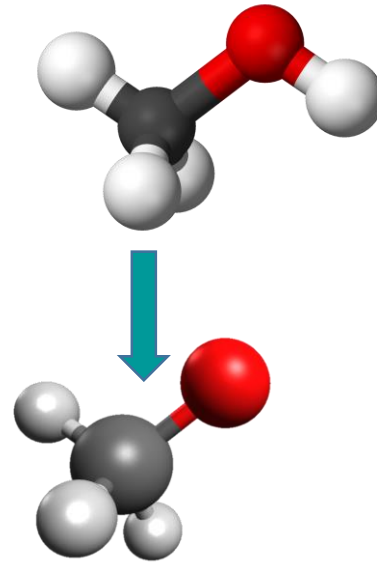


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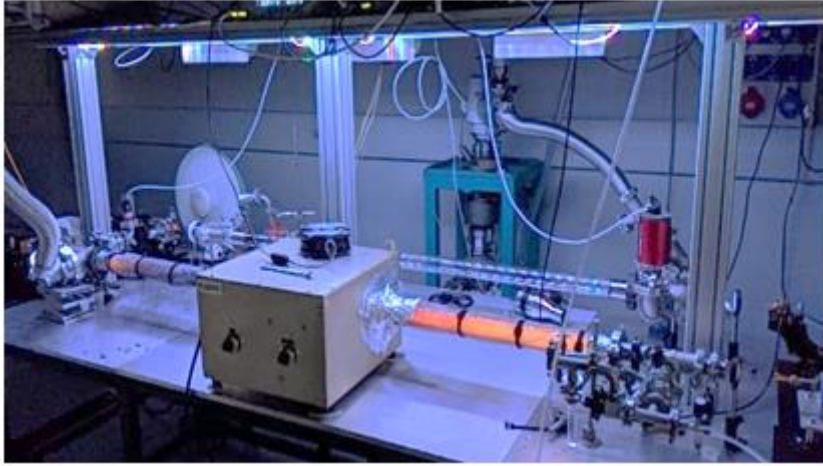


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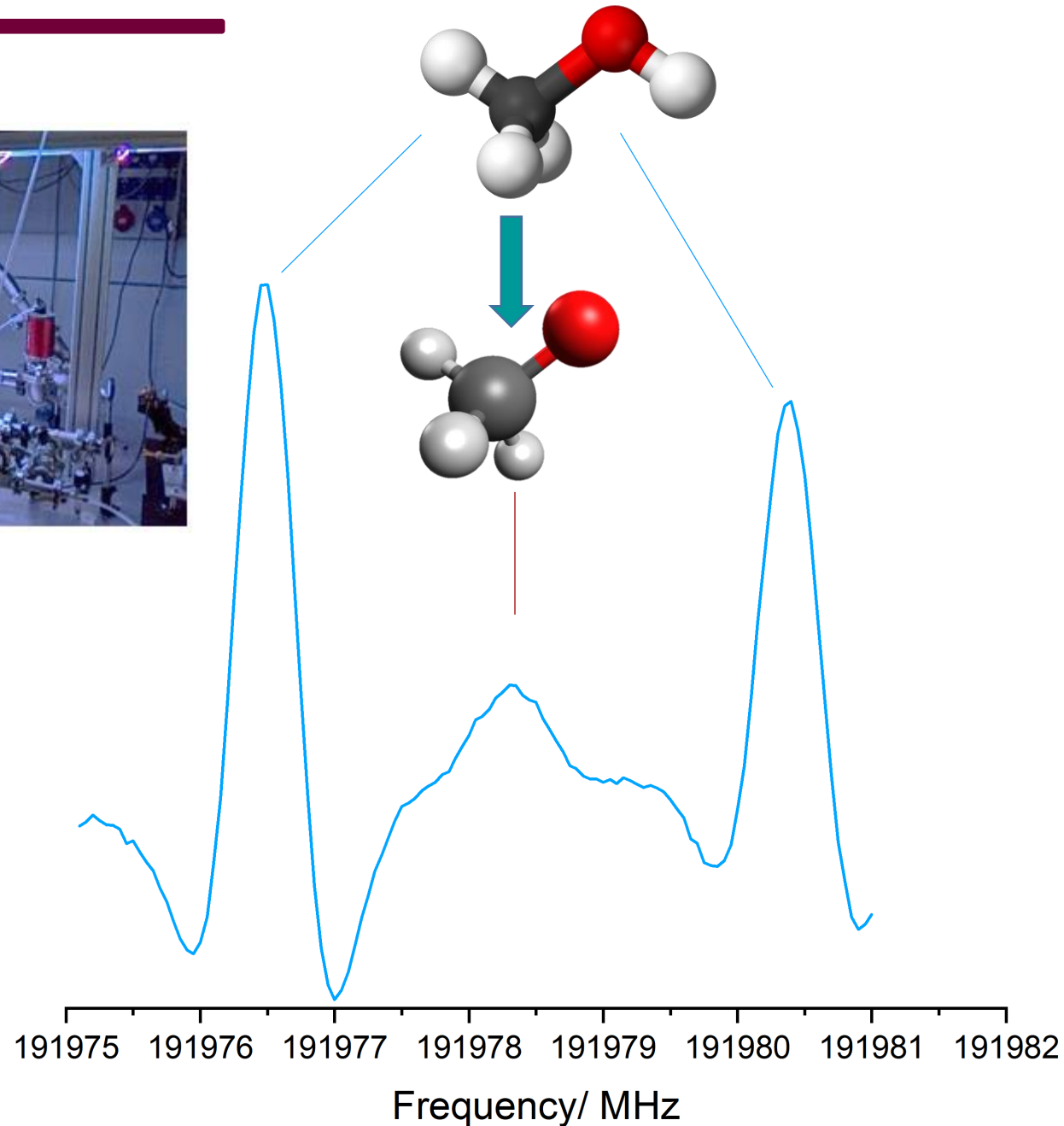


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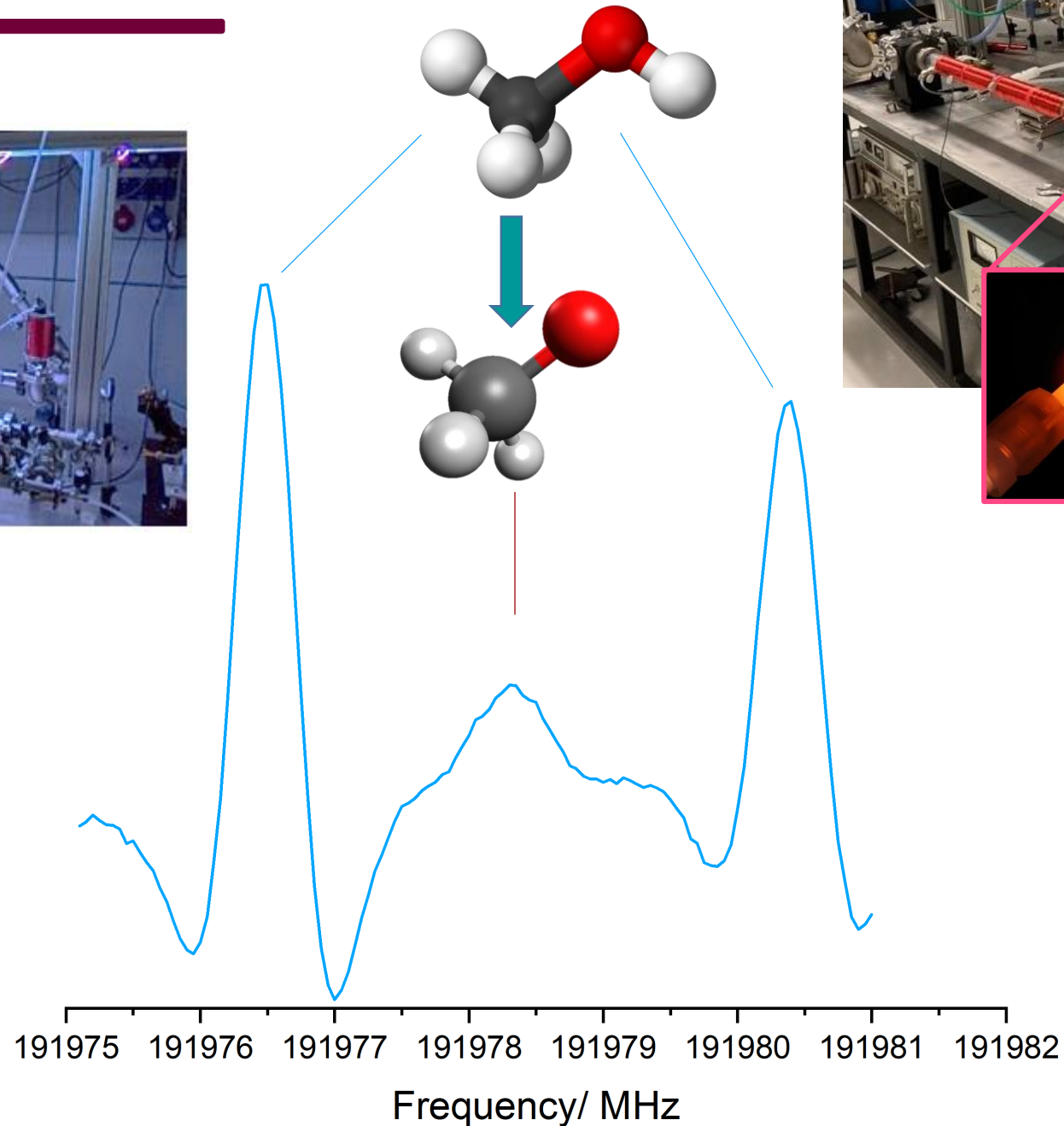


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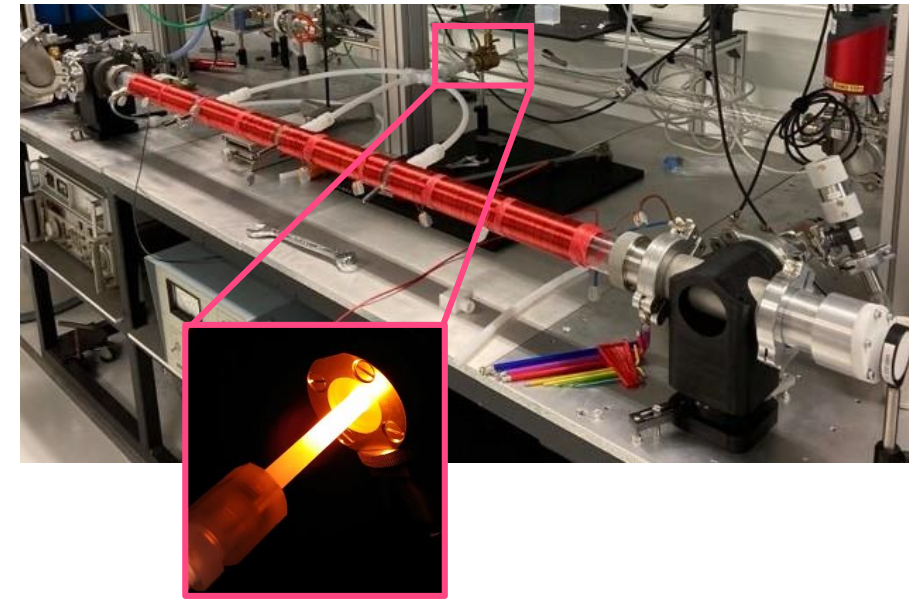
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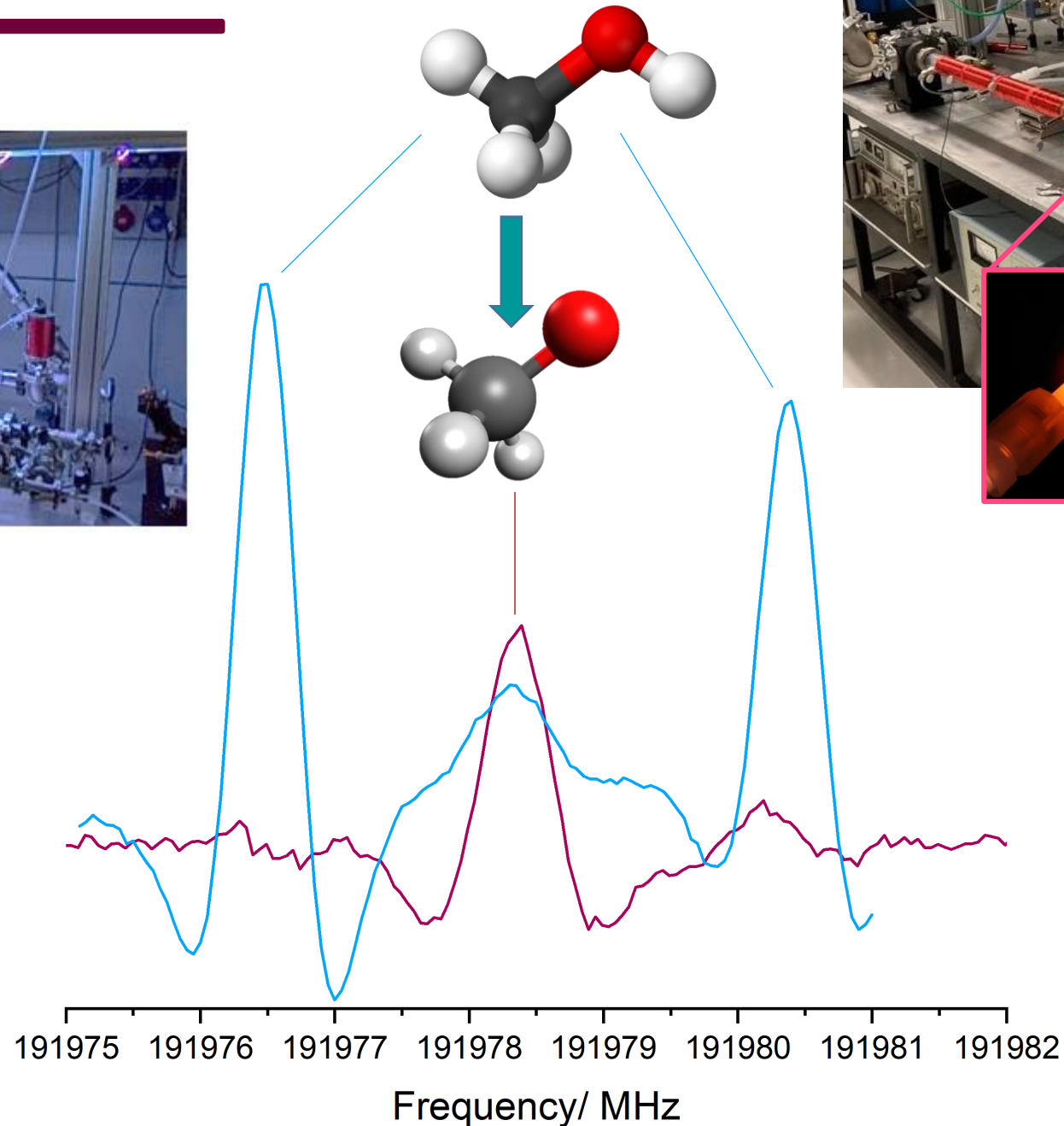
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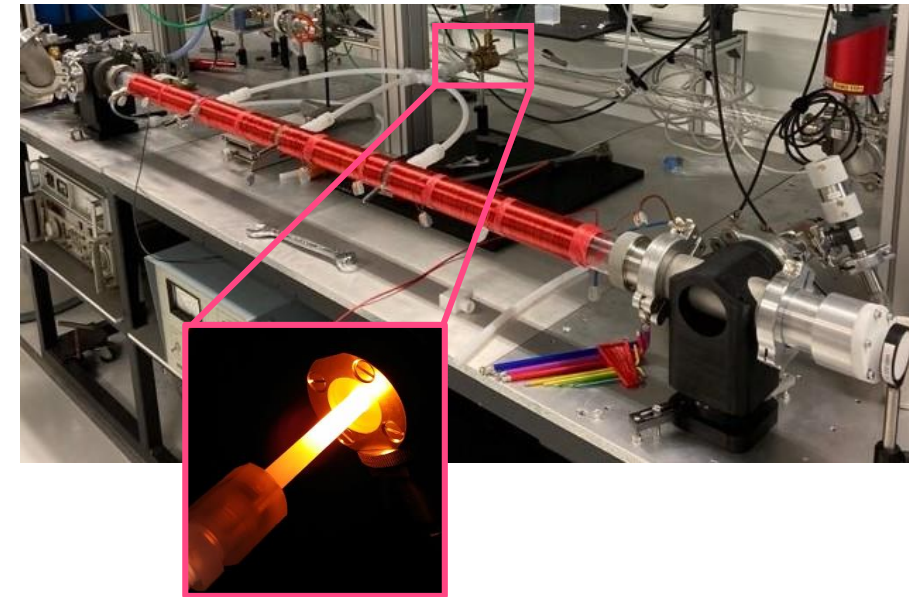
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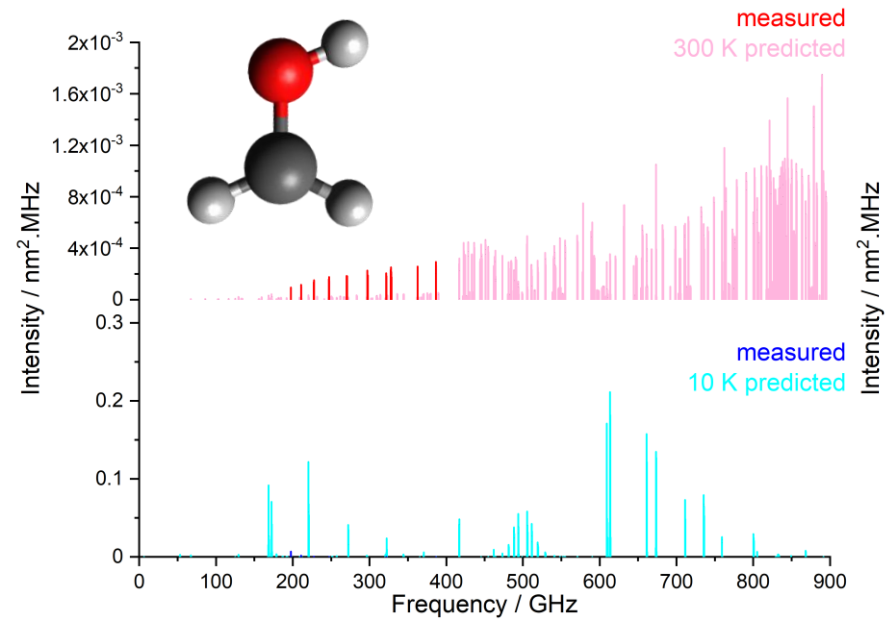


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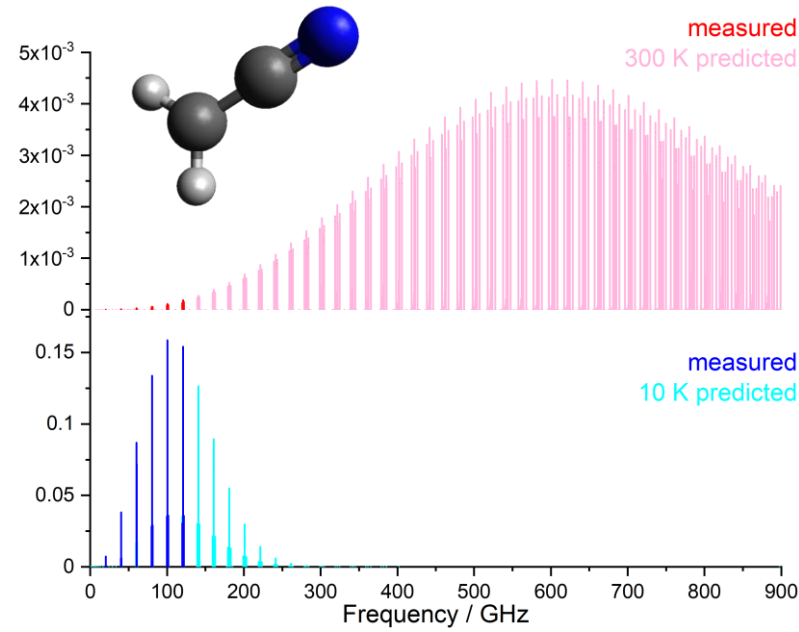


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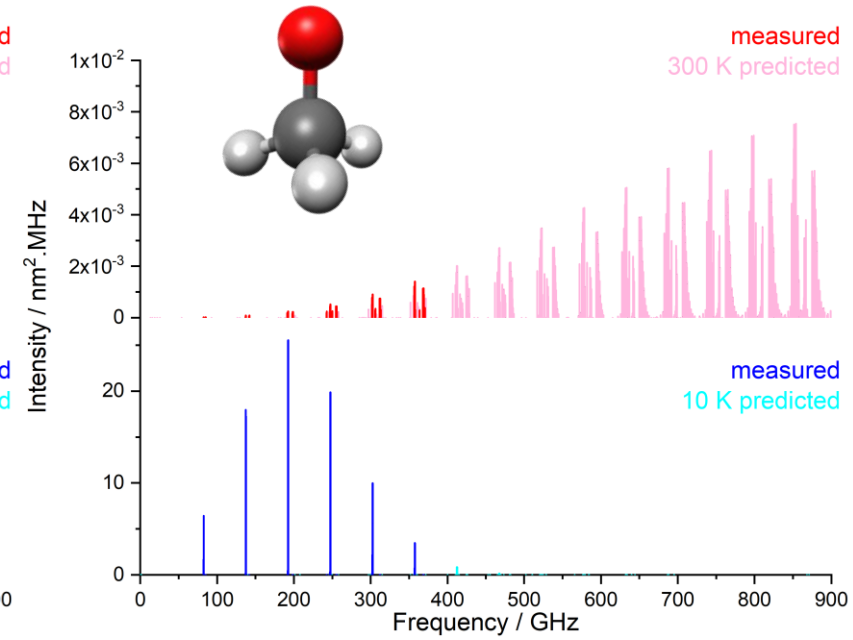


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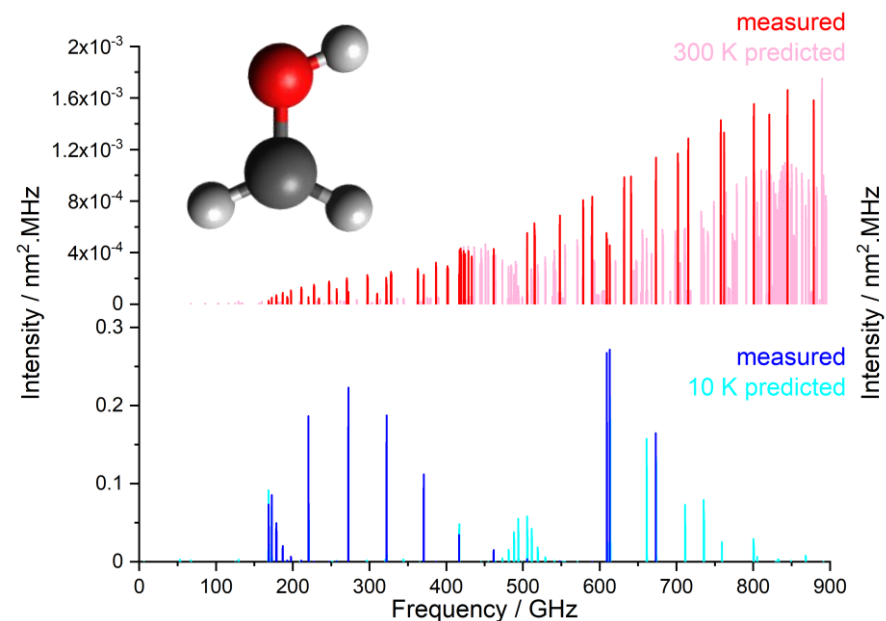


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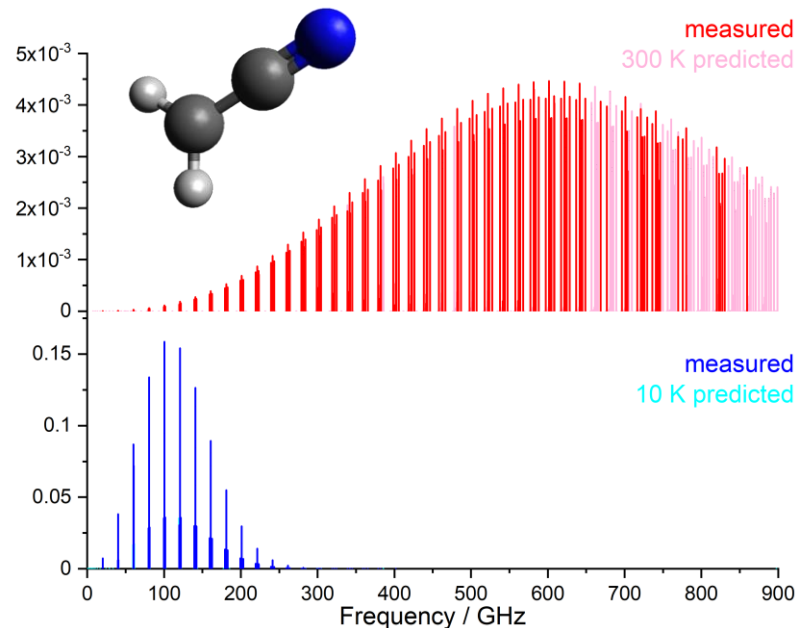
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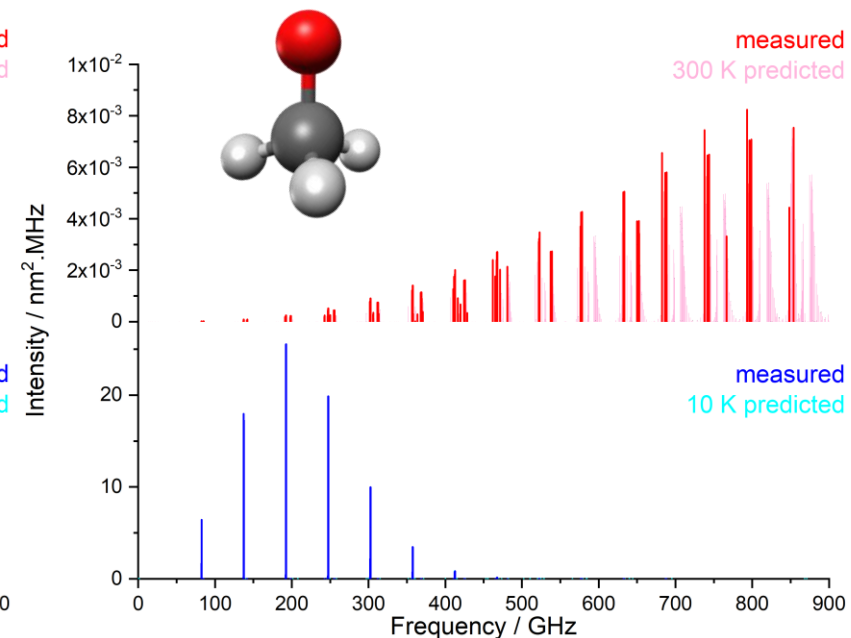
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Advantages

- Selective method of production of radicals
- Measurement up to 900 GHz
- High spectral resolution

Limitations

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- Line by line measurement
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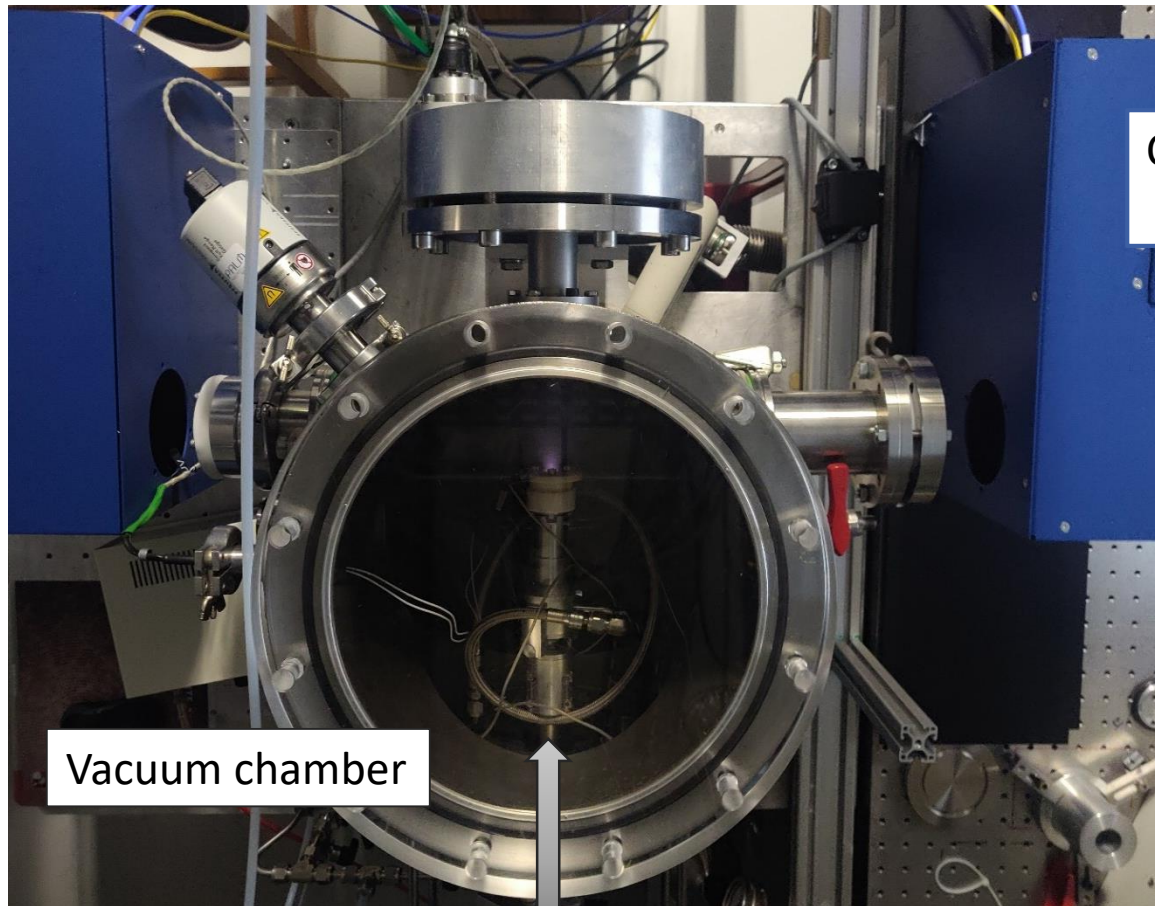
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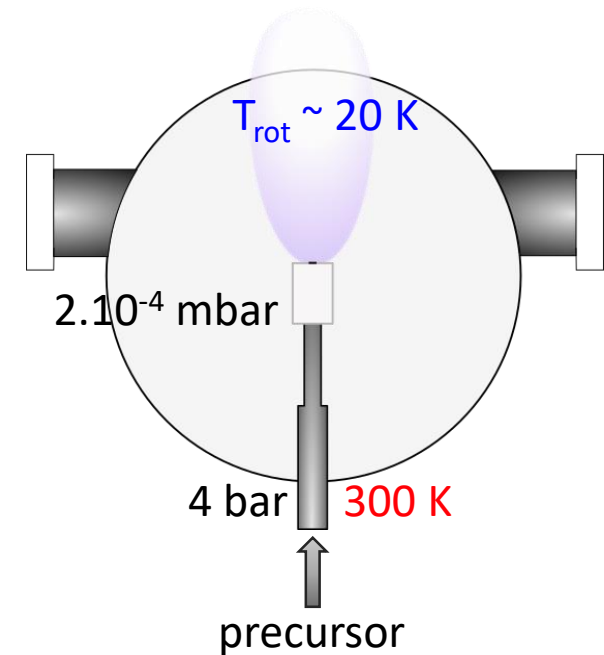
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Vacuum chamber

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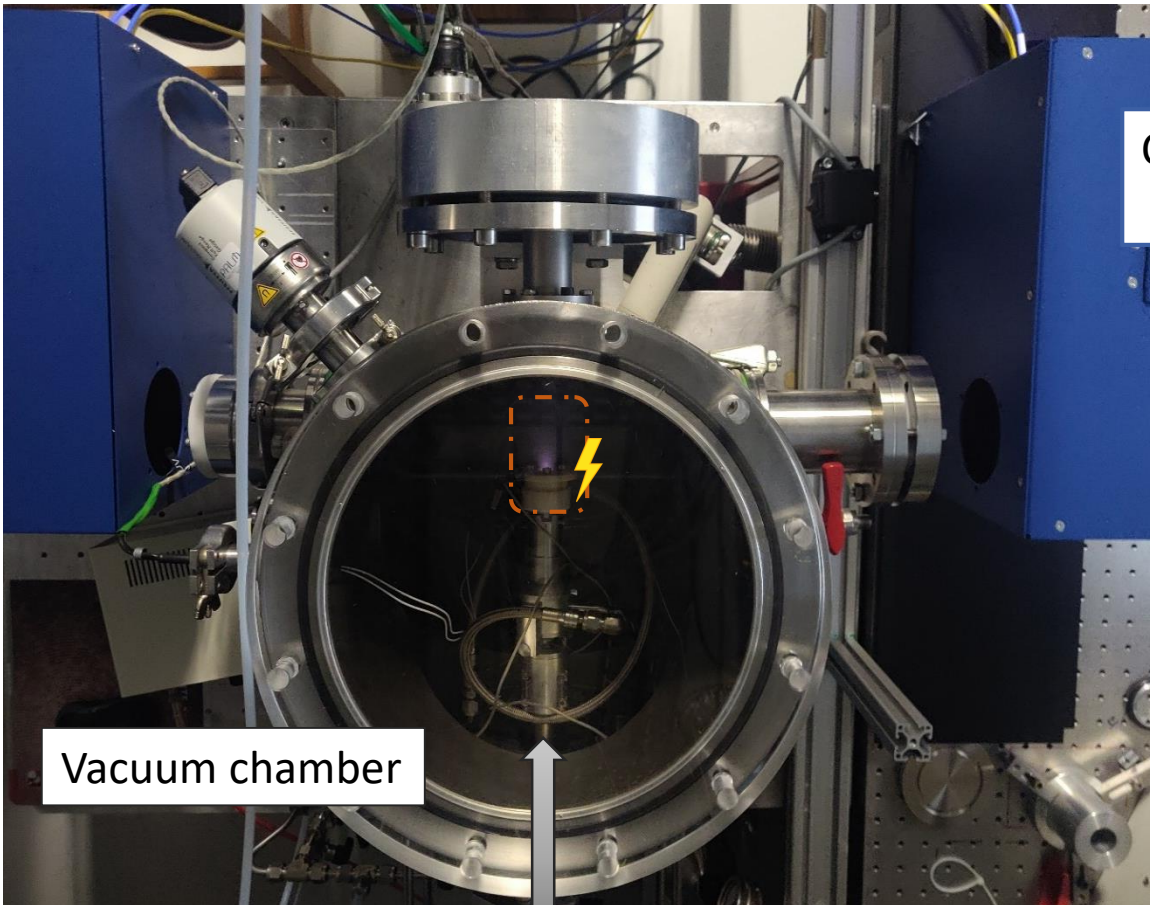
- **Sample:**
 - Precursor seeded in He or Ar
 - Typical dilution: ~ 0.5 %
- **General valve:**
 - Pulse valve series 9 by Parker Hannifin
 - Repetition rate: 5-25 Hz
 - Gas pulse duration: ~ 400 μ s
- **Pumping system:**
 - diffusion pump (7200 m³/h)
 - primary pump (30 m³/h)

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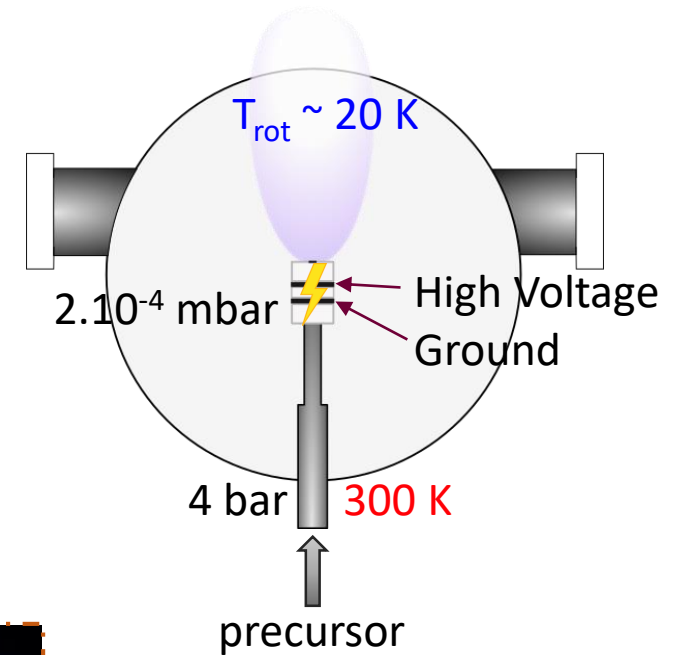
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- **Electric discharge:**
 - Stainless steel electrodes (2.5mm and 5 mm wide slit)
 - Voltage: 1000-3000 V
 - Resistance: 10-50 kOhm

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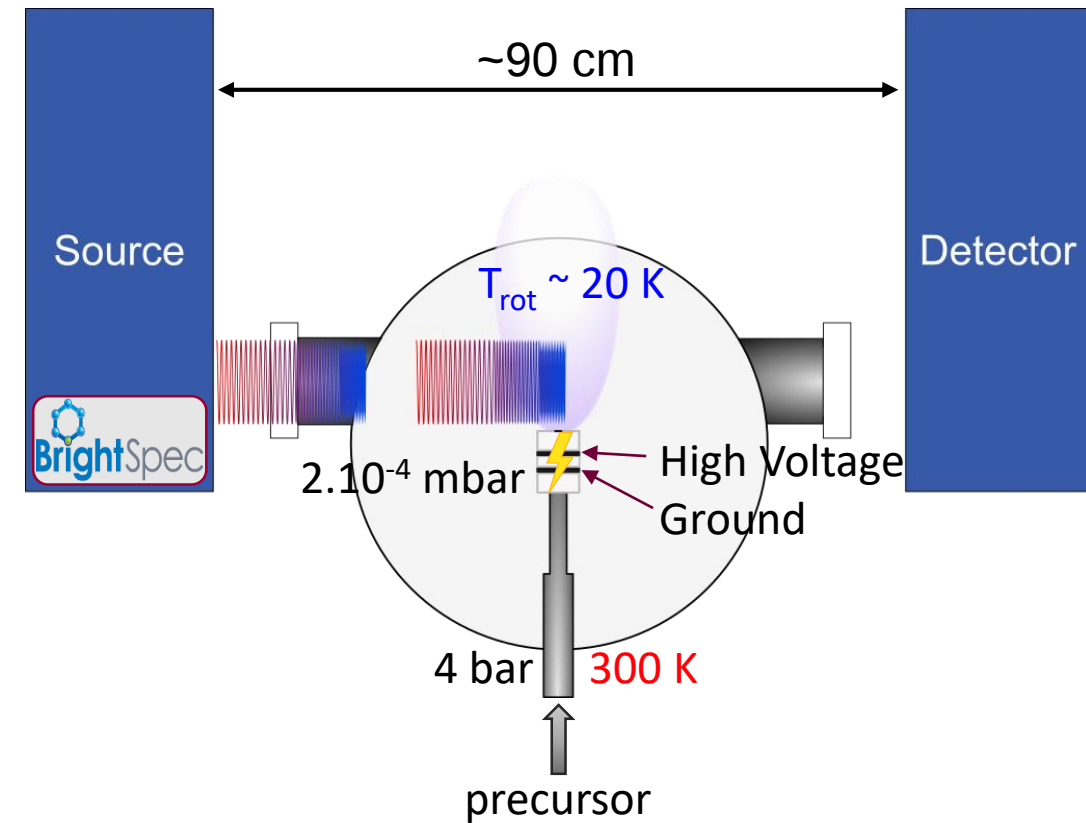
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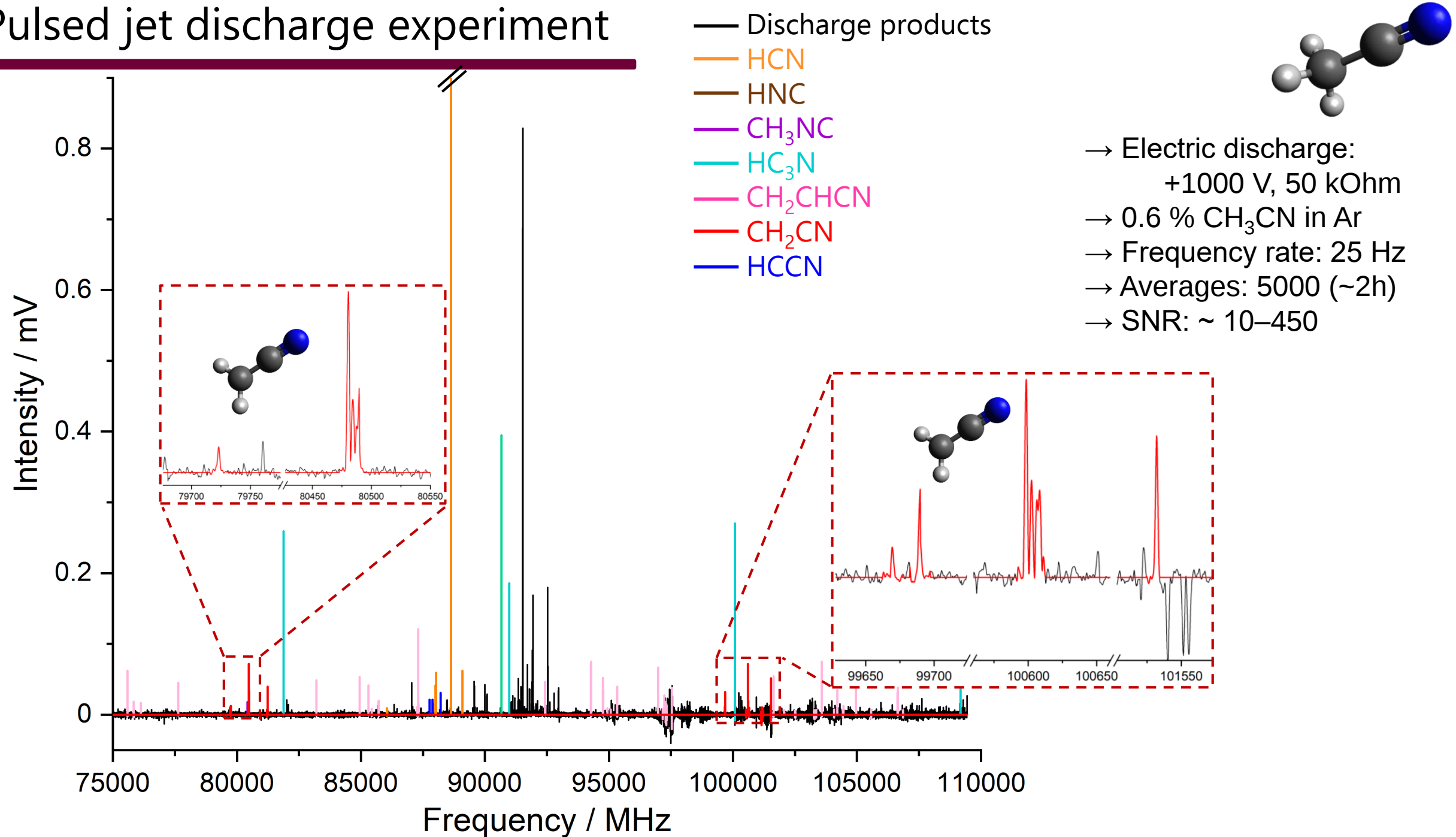
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- **Broadband chirped pulse Fourier transform spectrometer:**
 - Commercial
 - Broadband bandwidth: 75-110 GHz (sequential: 30 MHz in HDR mode)
 - Power: ~ 30 mW
 - Resolution: ~ 100 kHz

Pulsed jet discharge experiment



Conclusions and Perspectives

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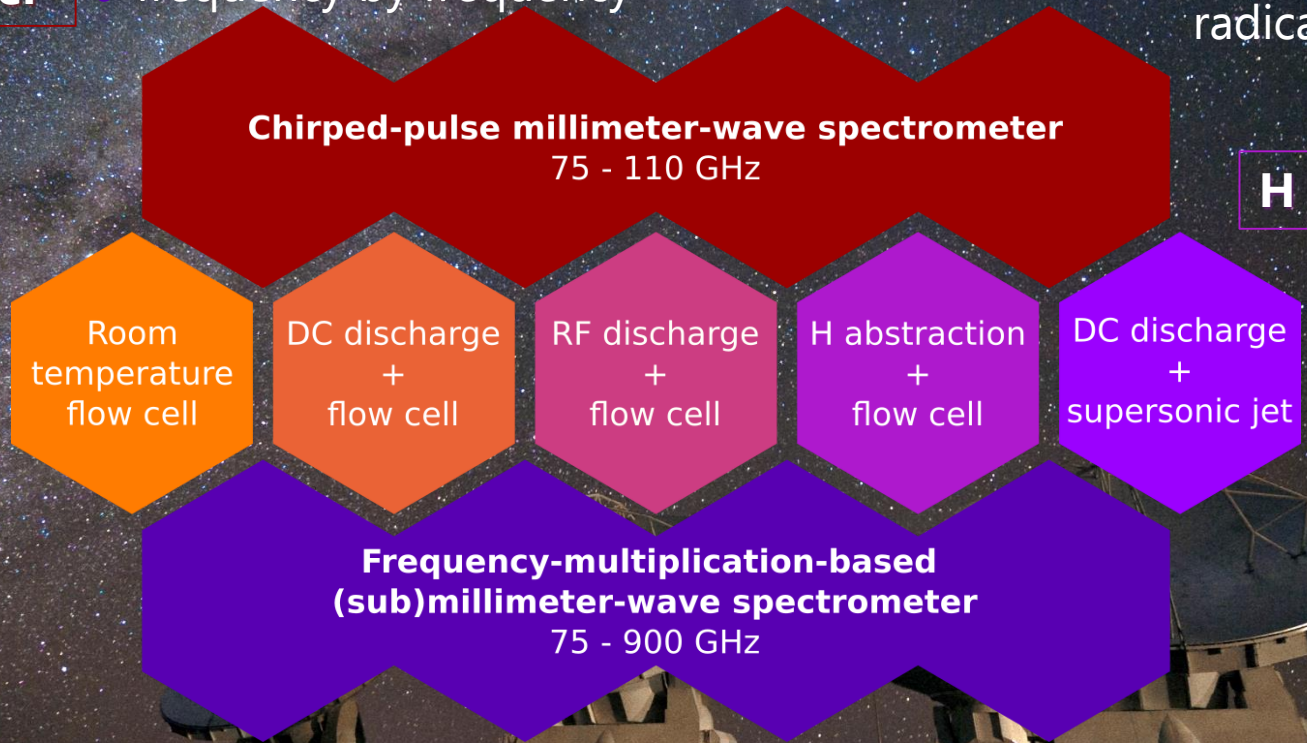
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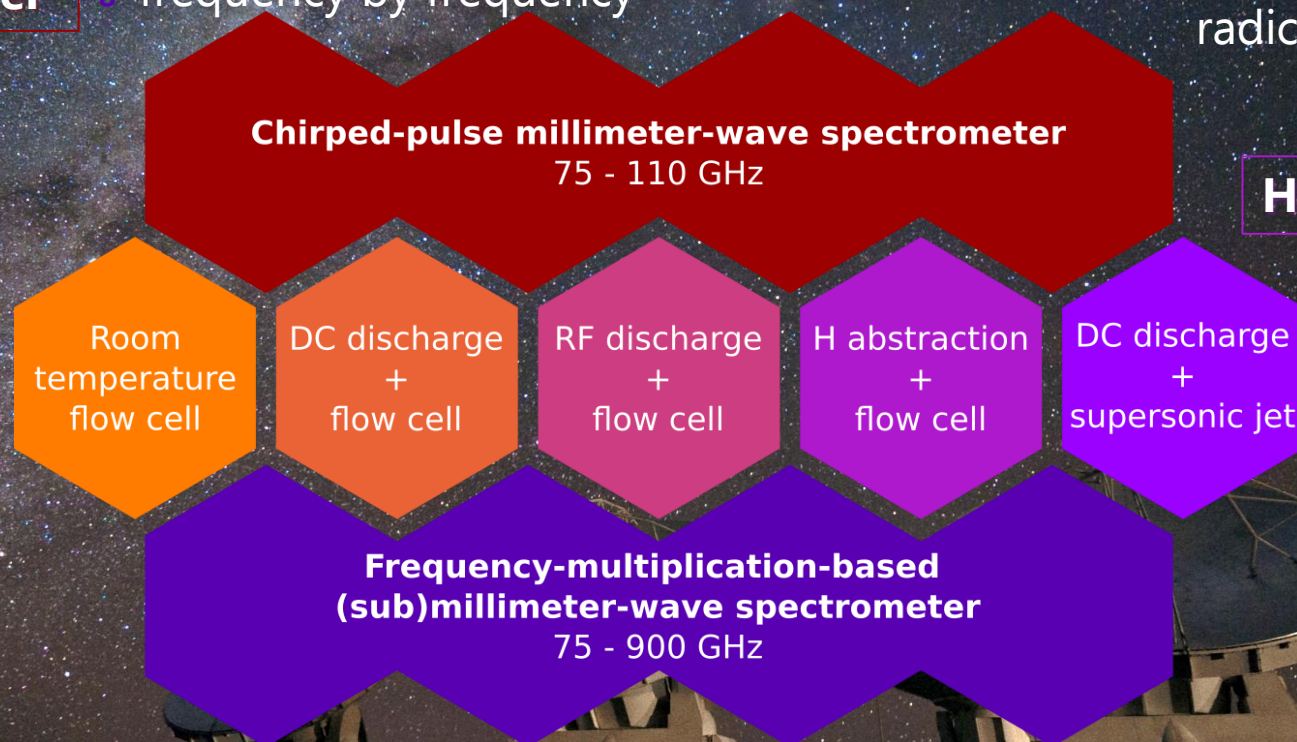
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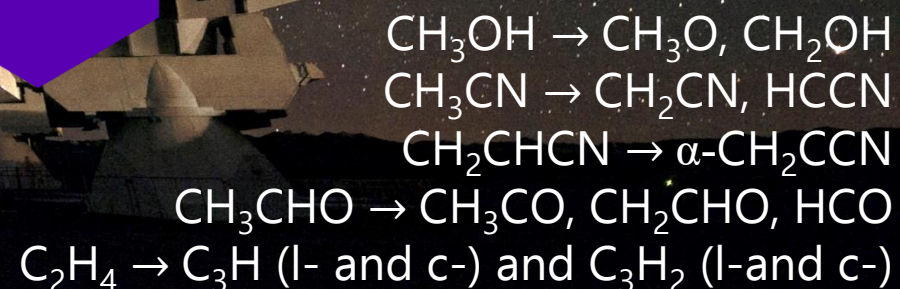
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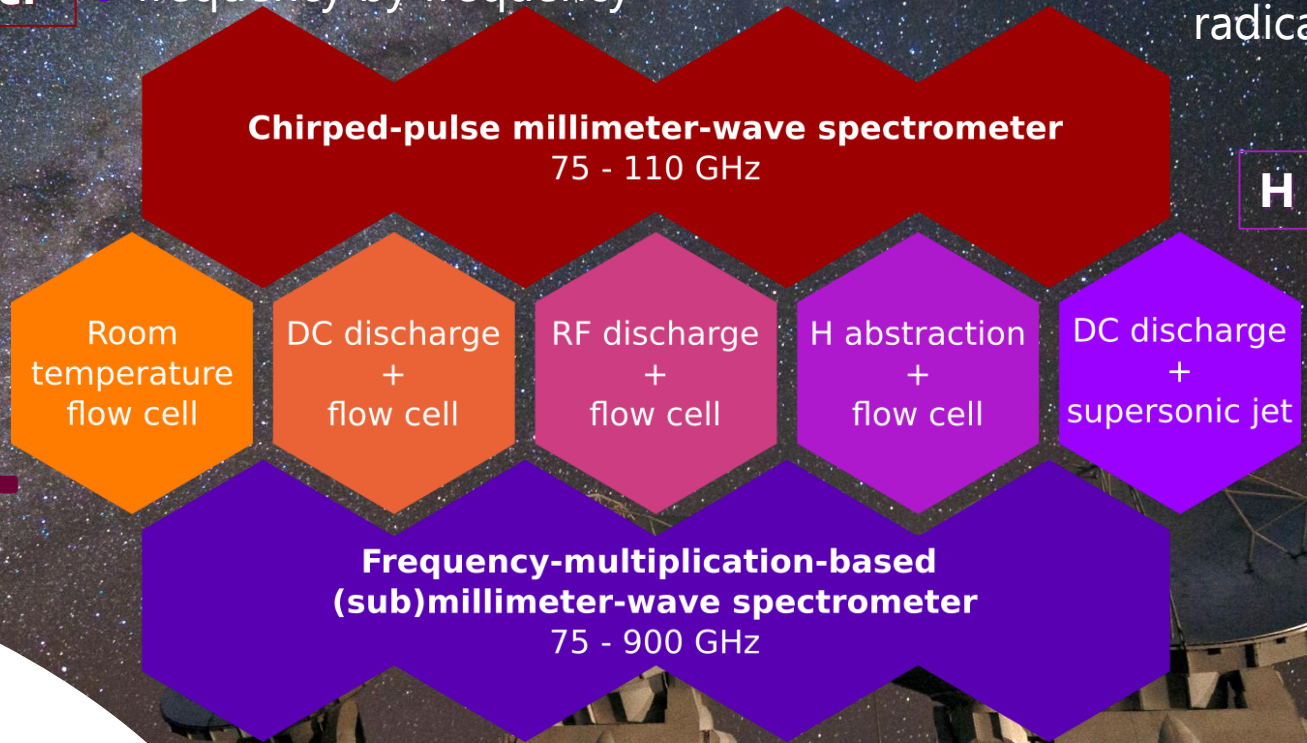
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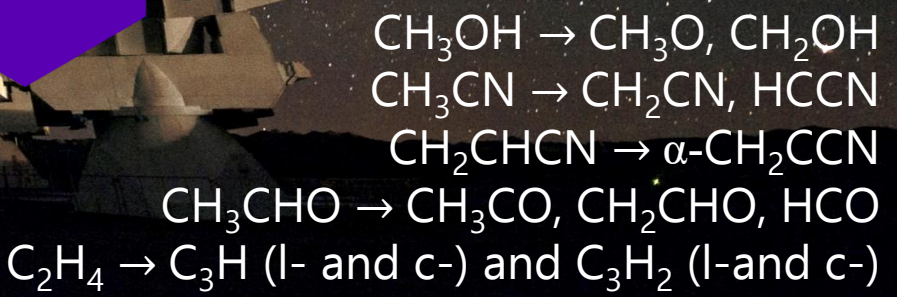


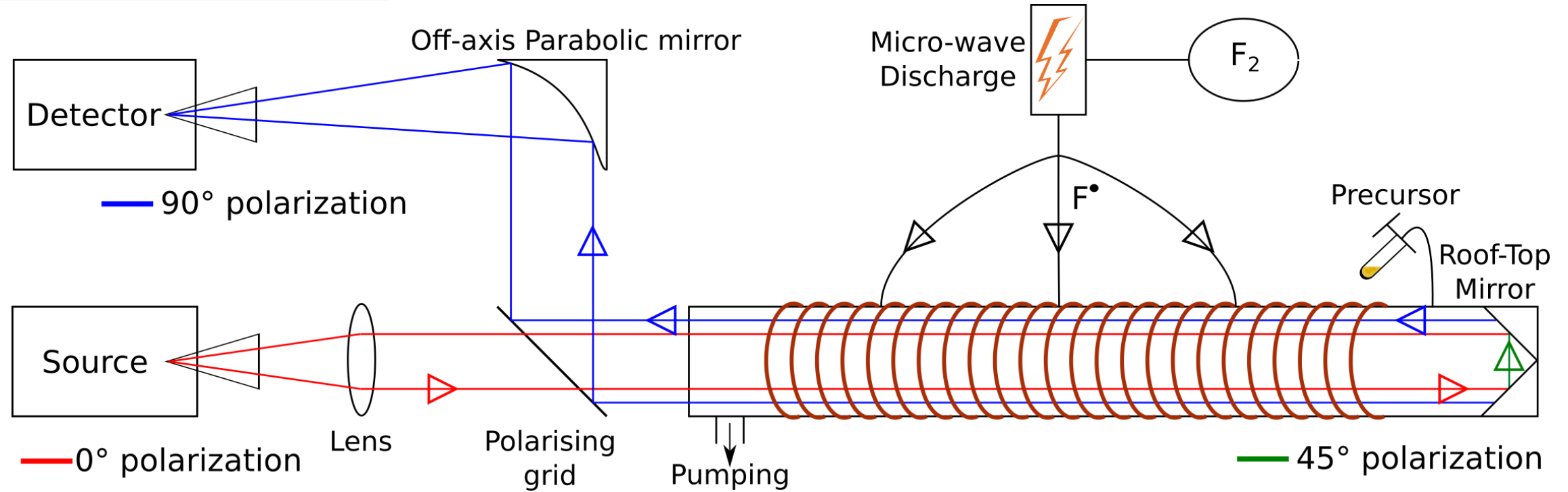
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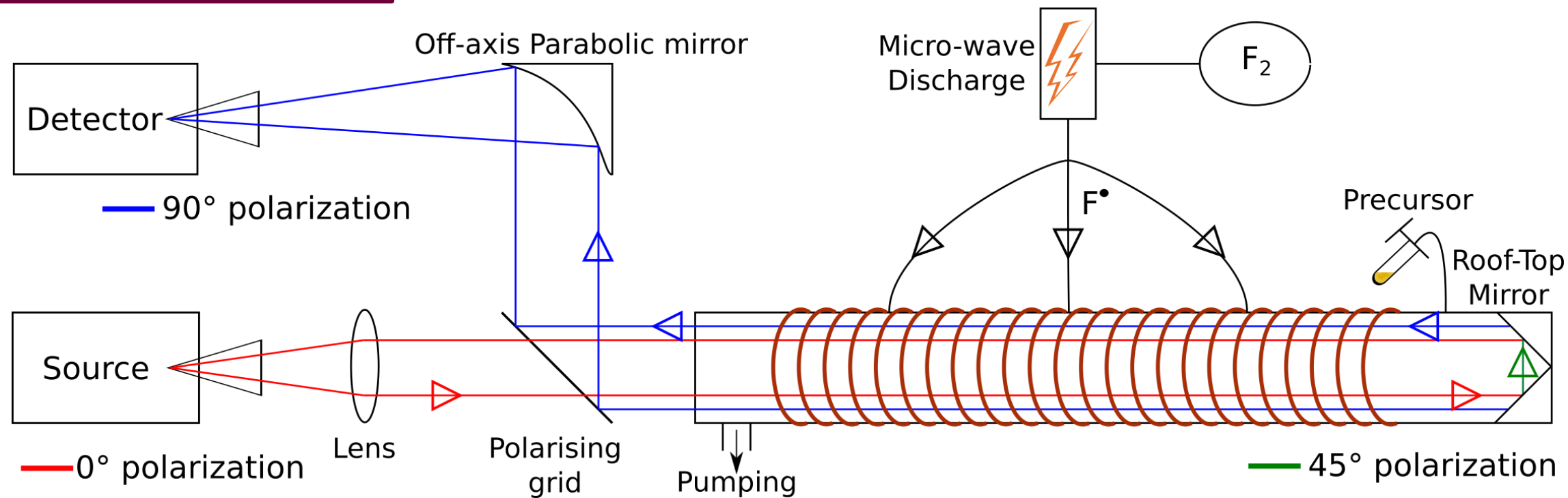
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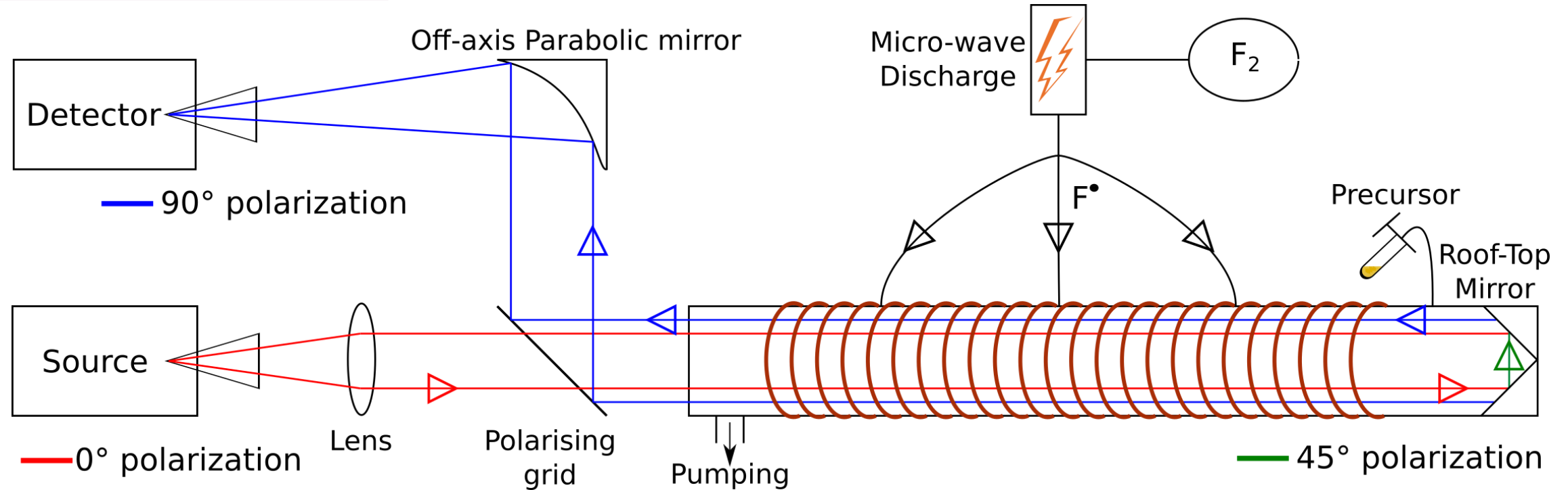
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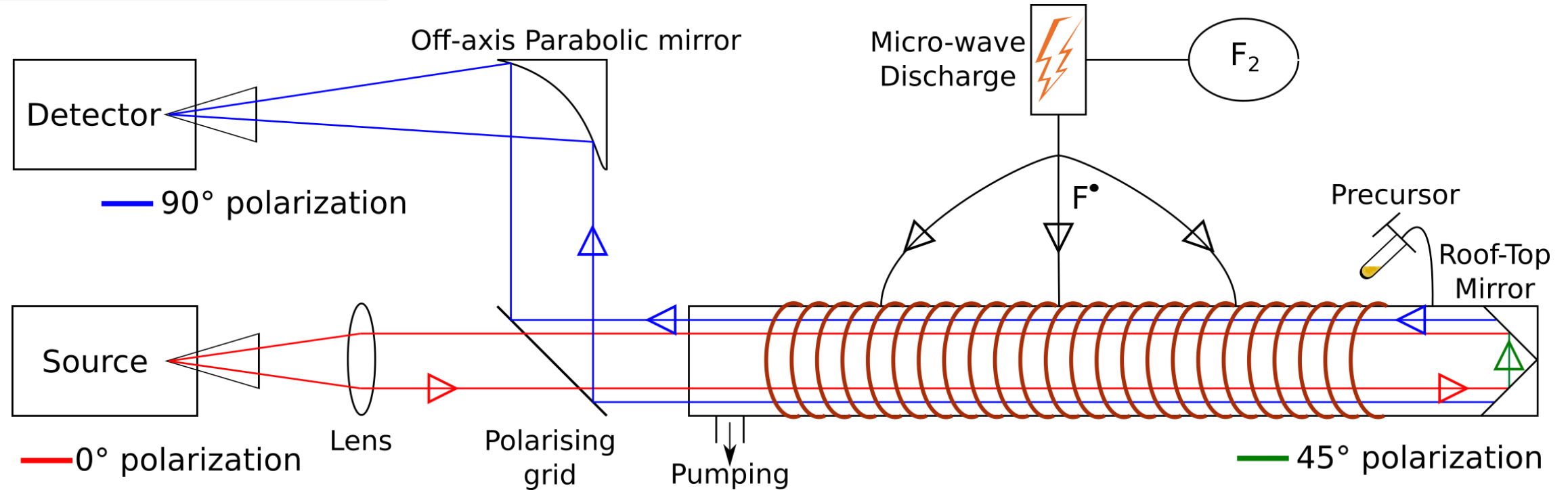
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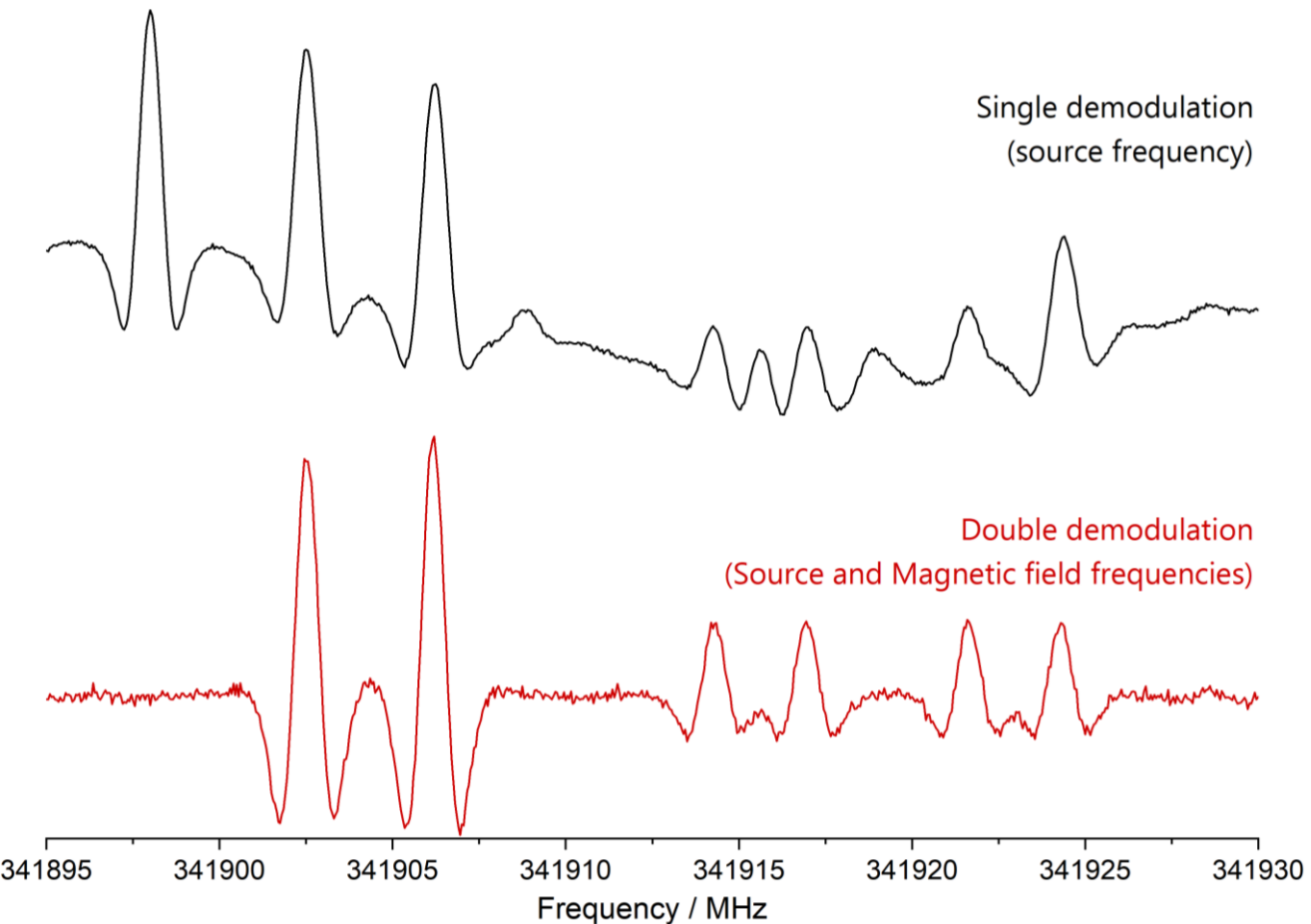
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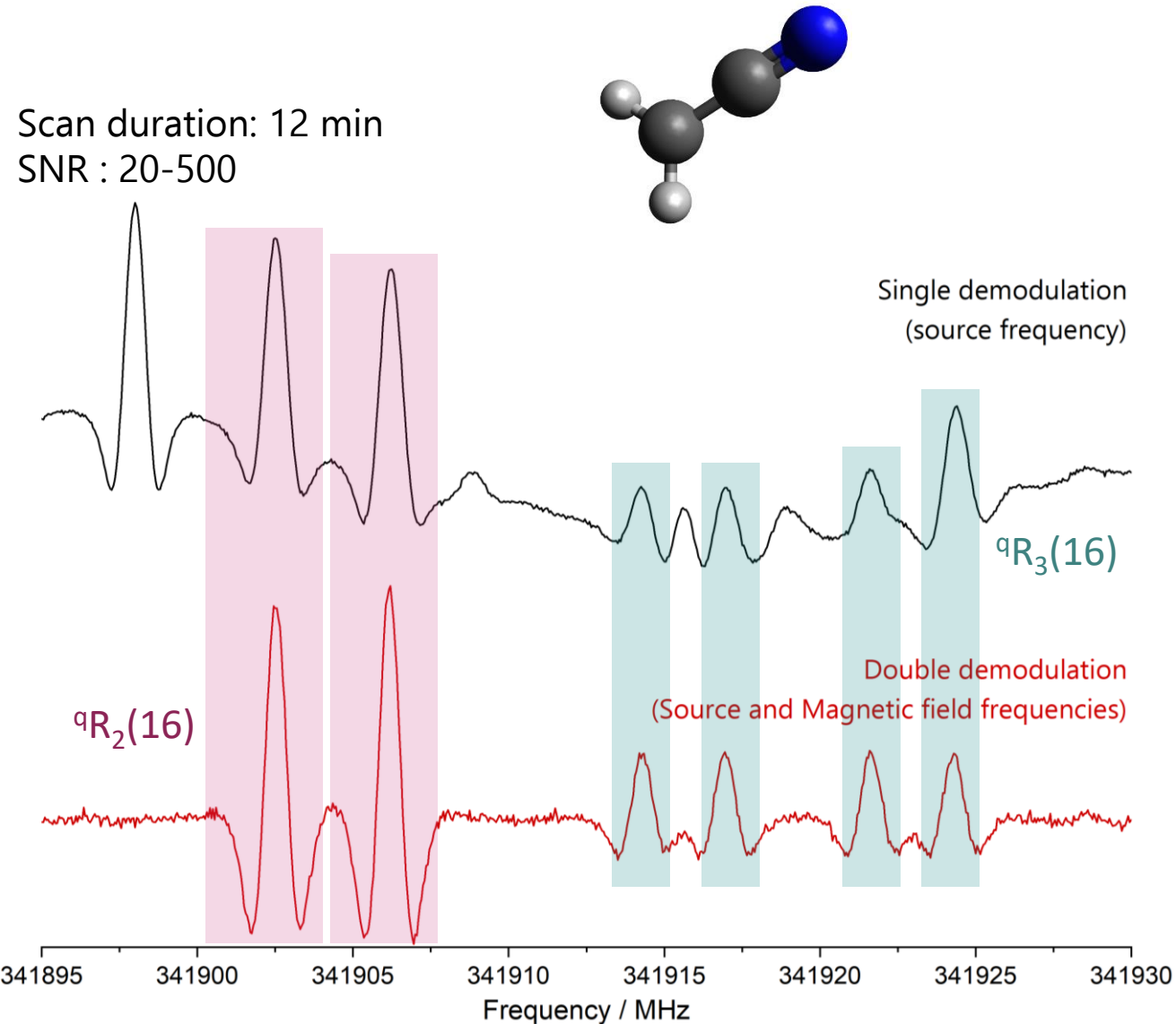
Magnetic Field Modulation to distinguish paramagnetic lines

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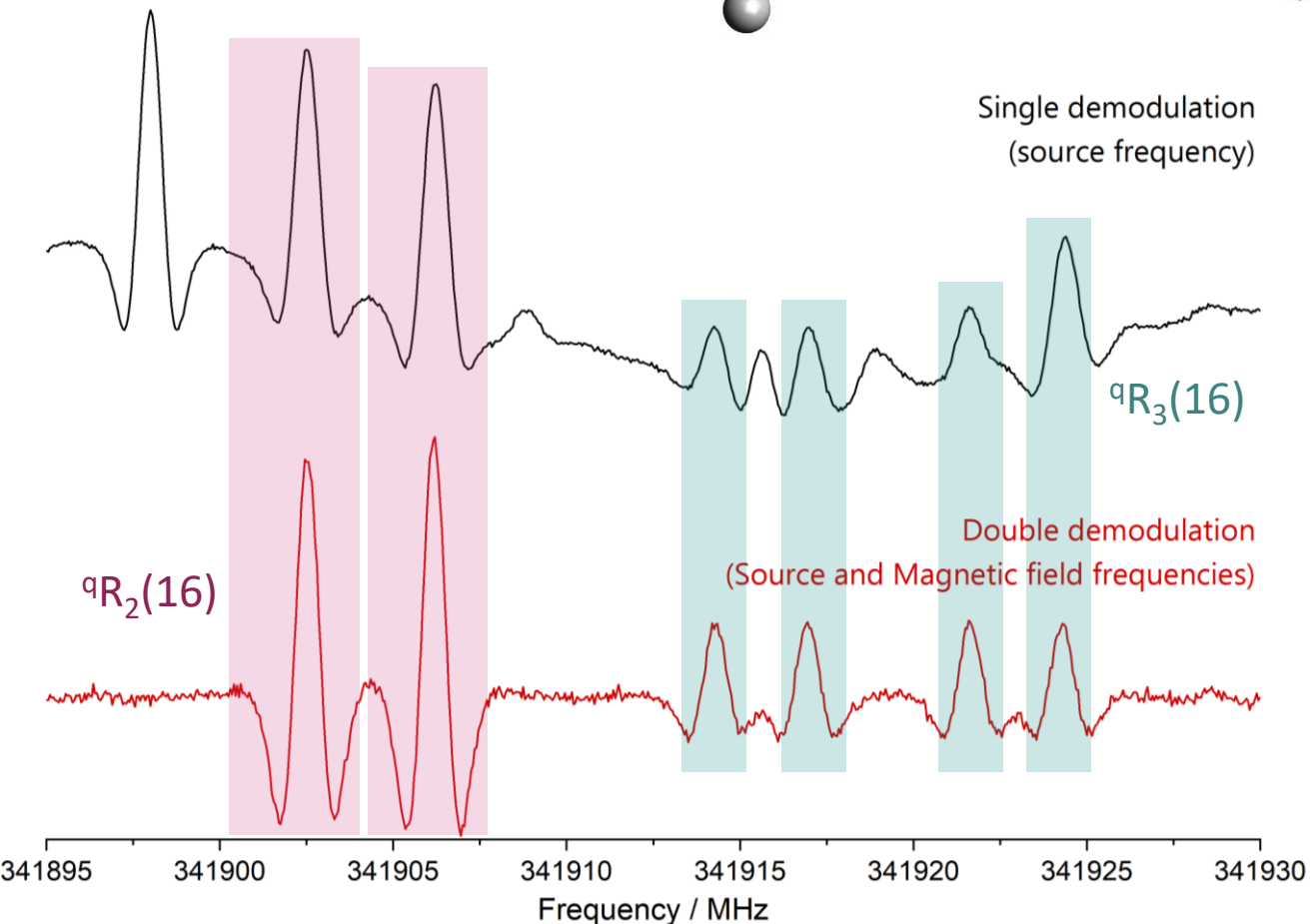
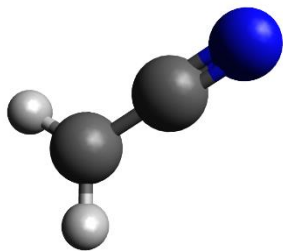
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Single demodulation
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Double demodulation
(Source and Magnetic field frequencies)

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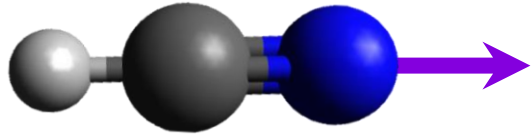
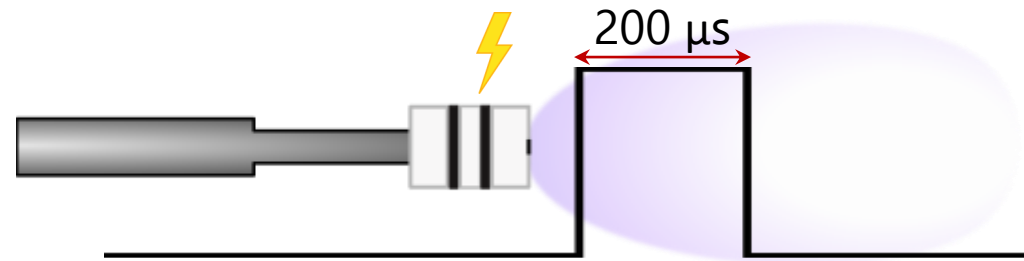
Frequency / MHz

Scan duration: 24 min
SNR : 5-10

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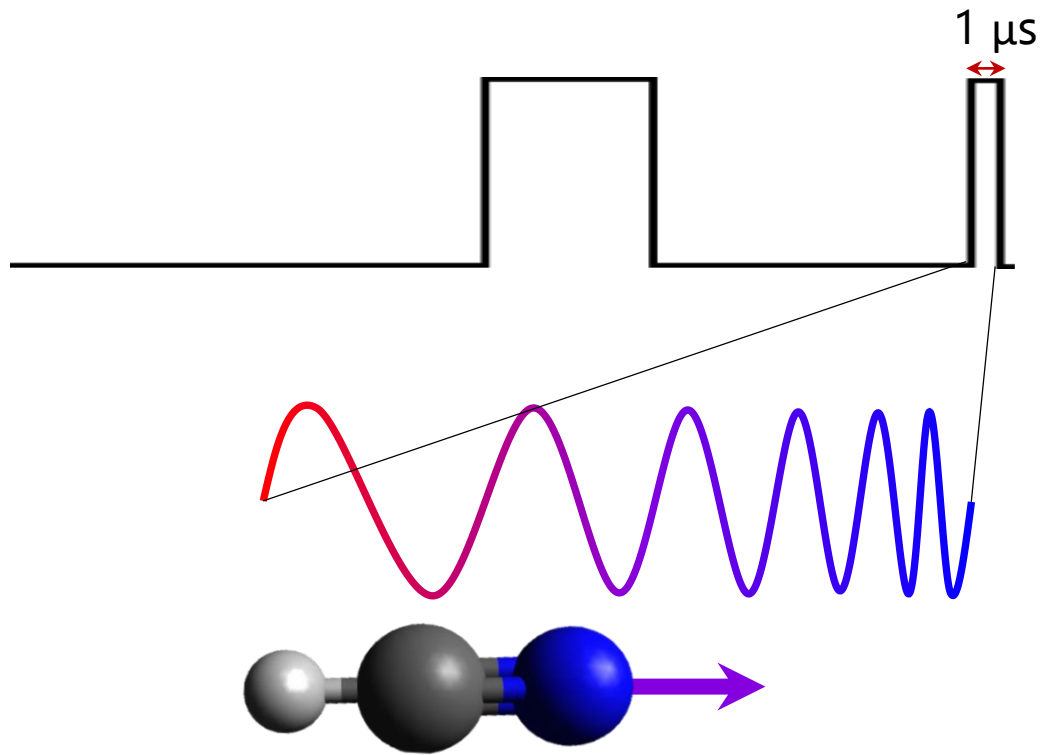
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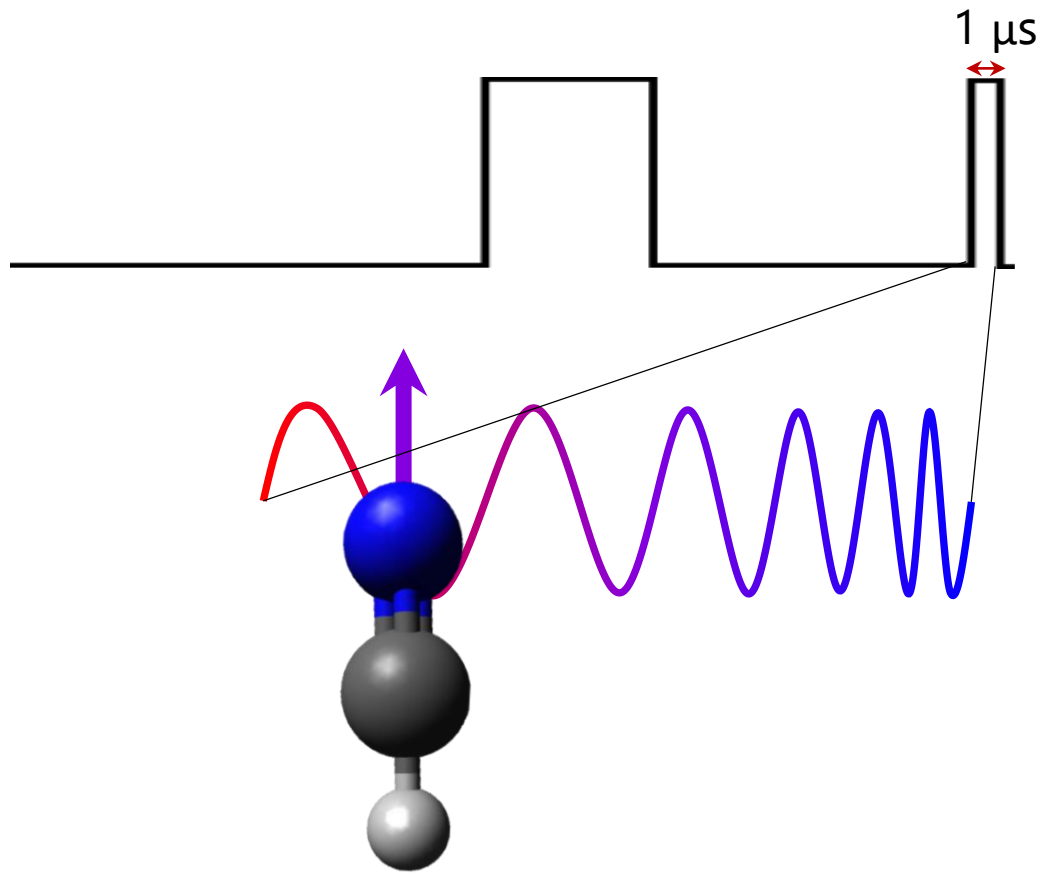
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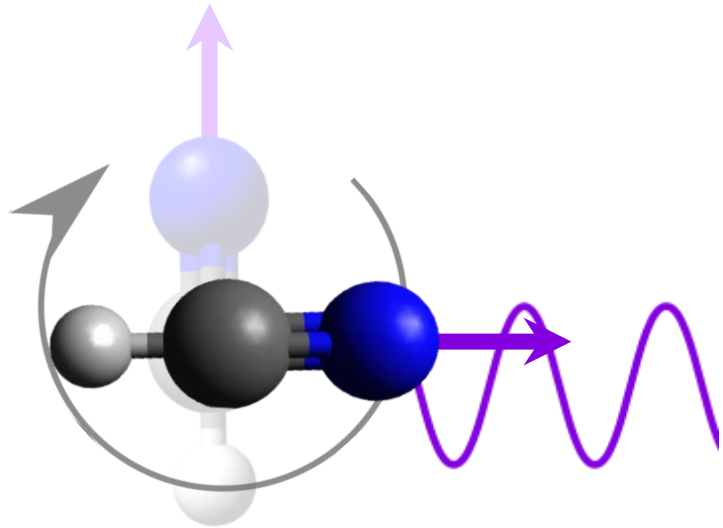
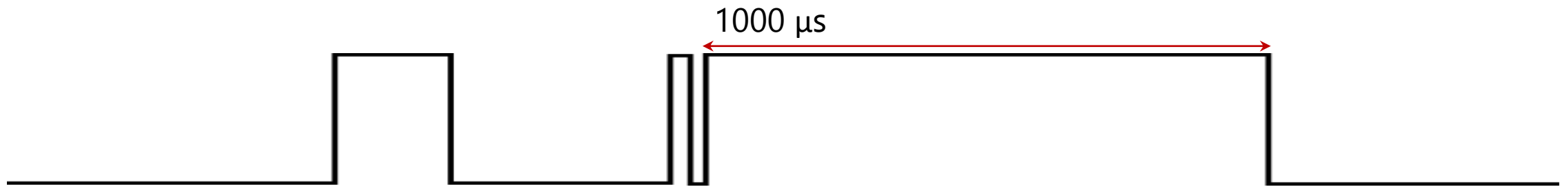
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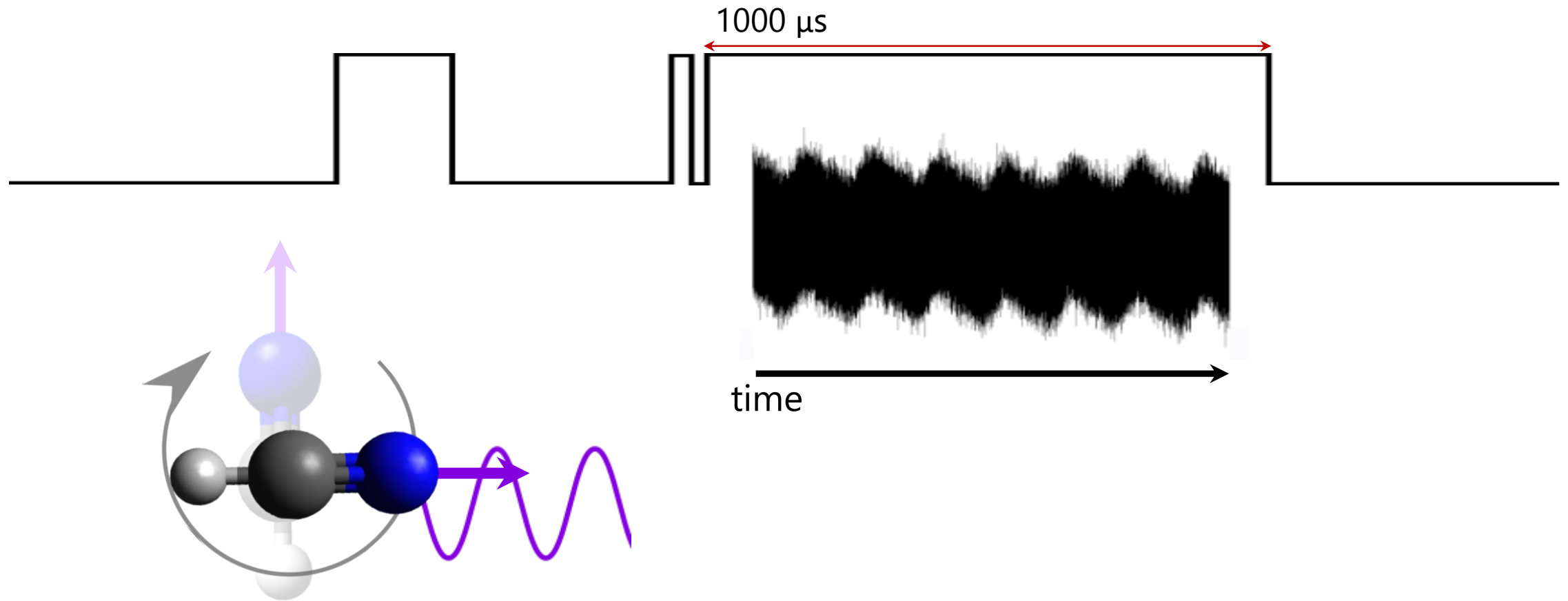
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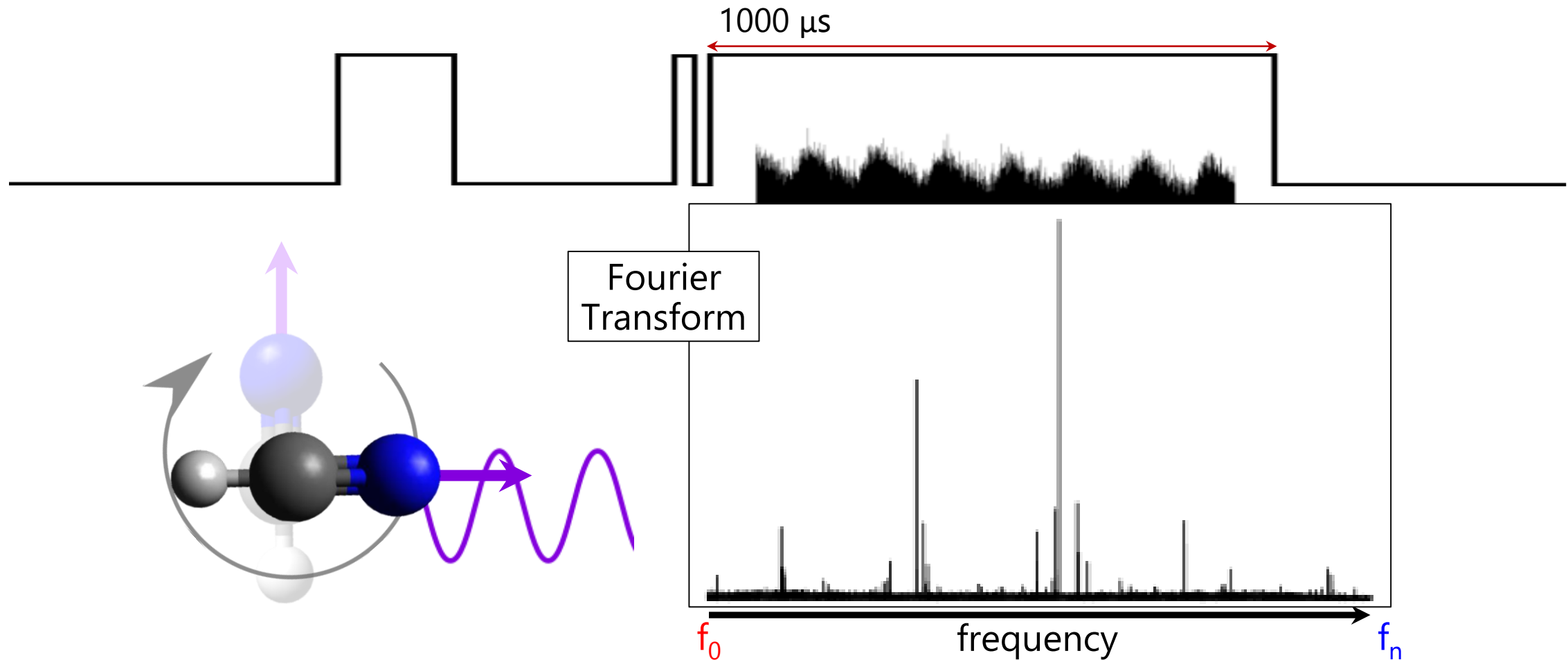
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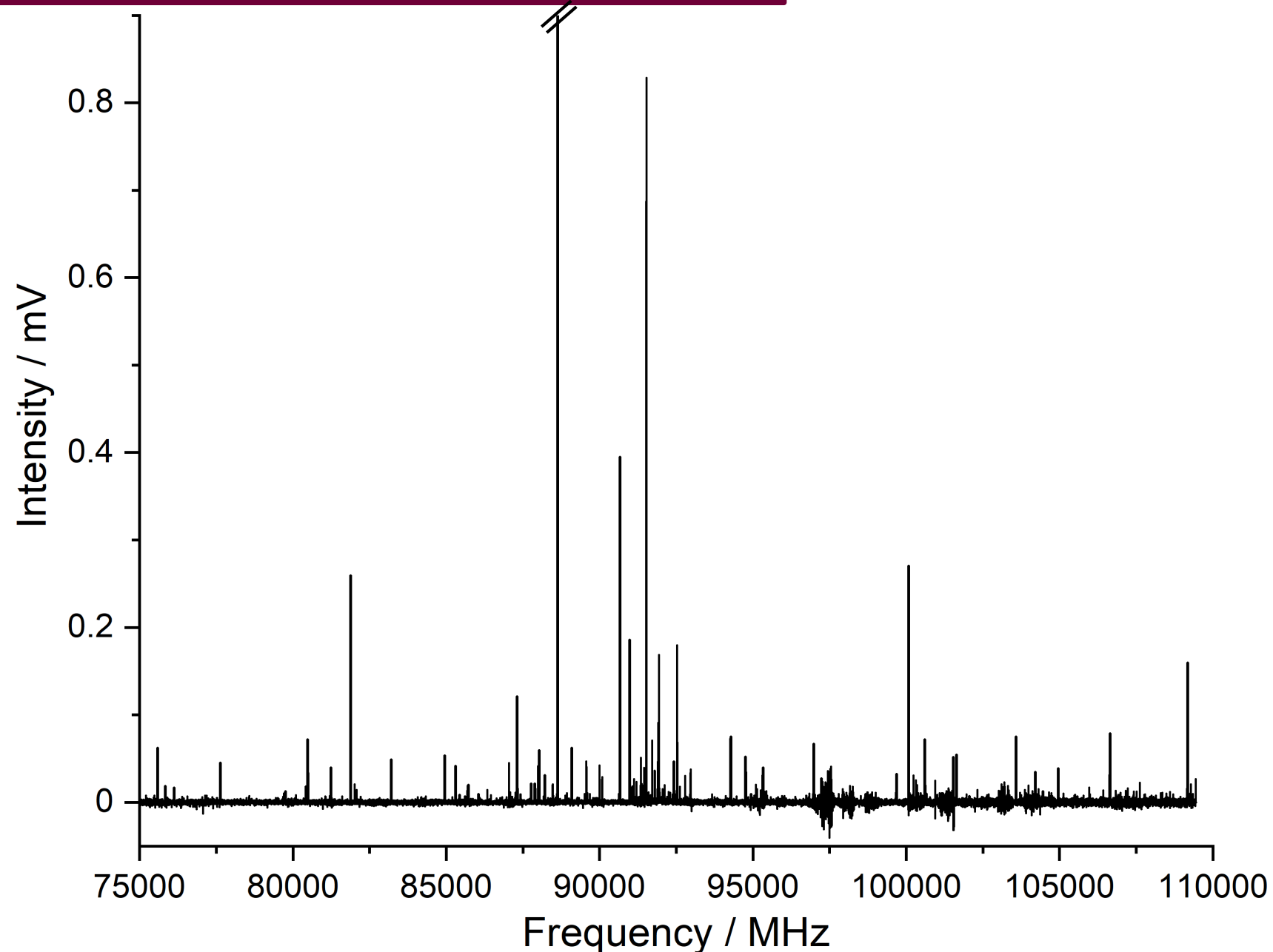
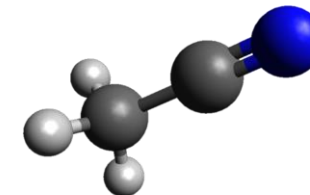
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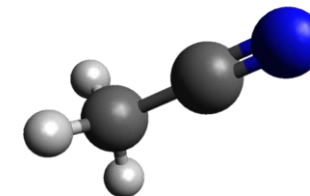
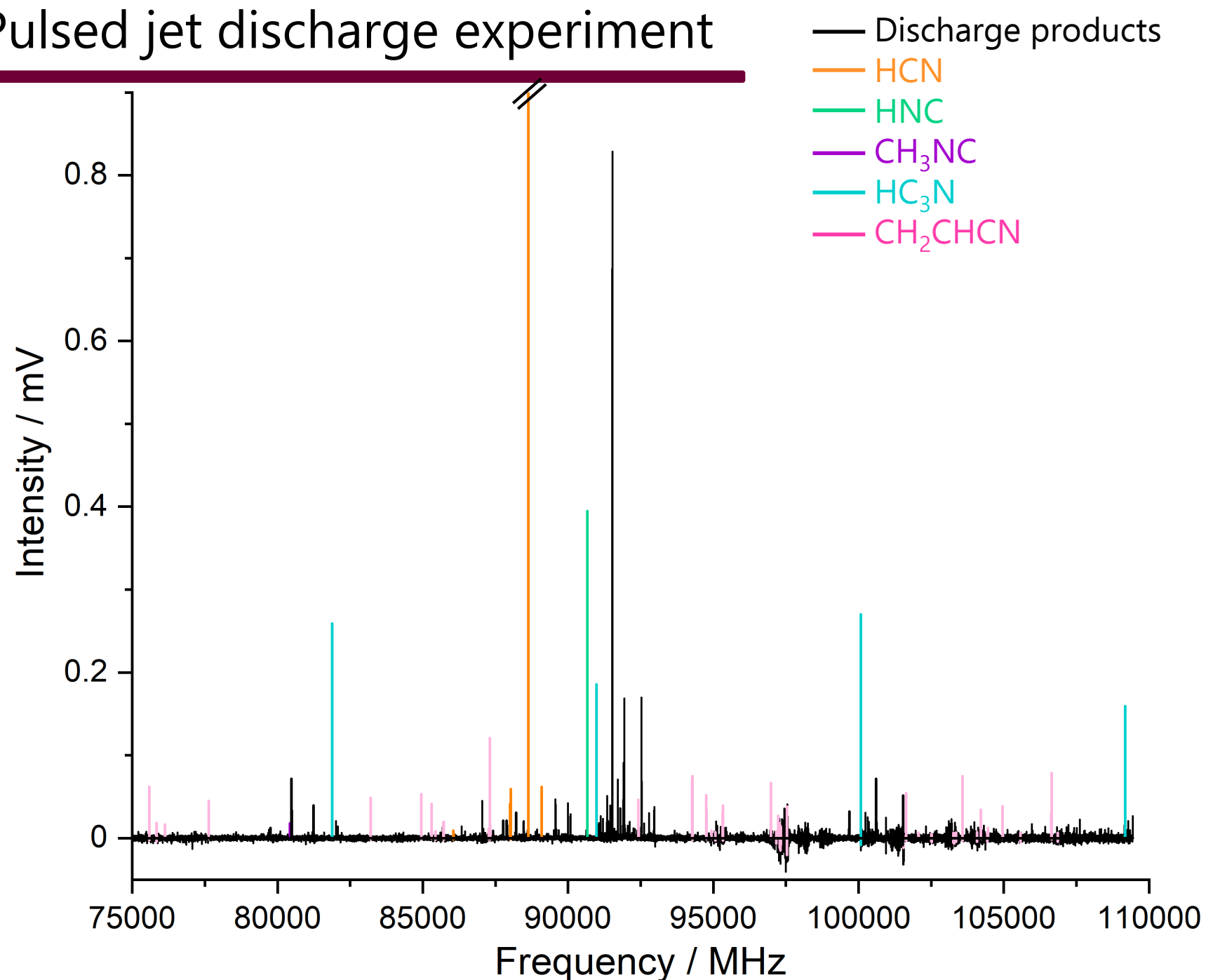
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