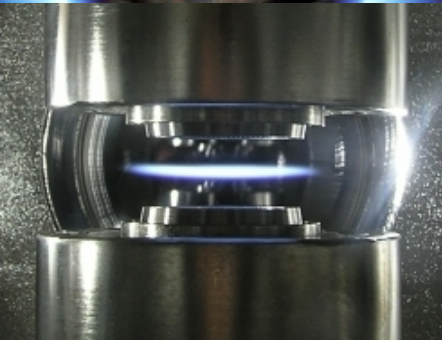
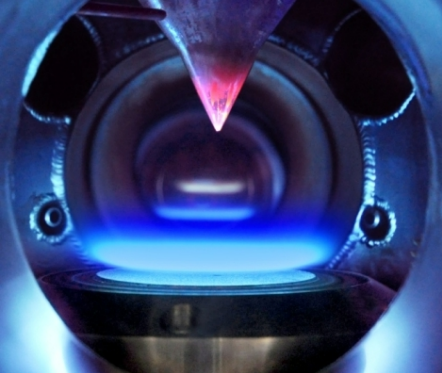




Isomer-Resolved Probing of Complex Systems of Reactions

Nils Hansen



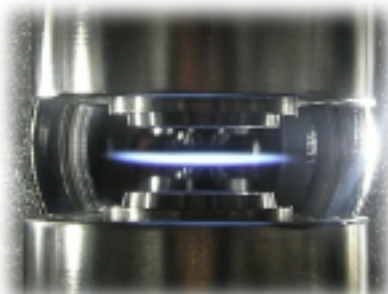
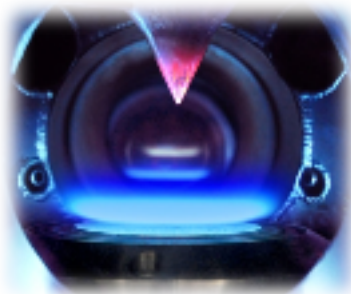


- ✓ Introduction
- ✓ Experimental Procedures
- ✓ Significance of Various PAH Formation Pathways in Flames
- ✓ 2D-Temperature Fields around the Quartz Sampling Probe
 - X-Ray Fluorescence Spectroscopy
- ✓ Low-Temperature Oxidation Studies
 - Jet-Stirred Reactor Sampling Molecular-Beam Mass Spectrometry
 - Identification and Quantification of Ketohydroperoxides
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 - 2D Mass Spectrometry (MS-MS)
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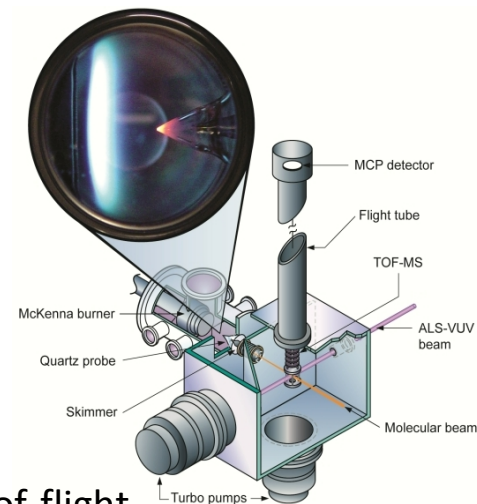
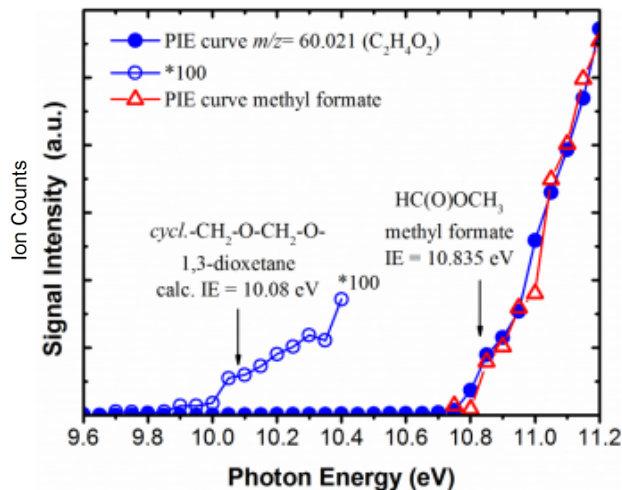
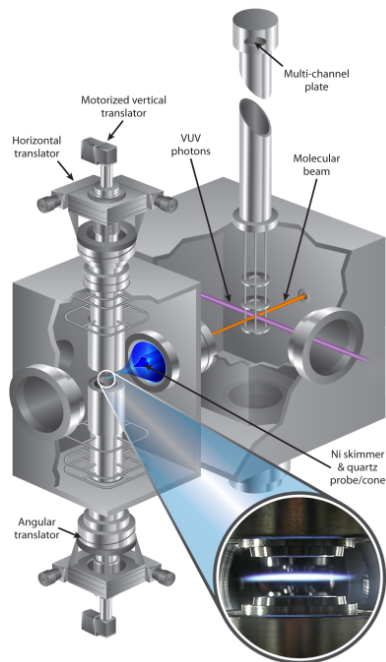


Complex Systems of Reactions and Combustion Mechanism Development

- ✓ Studying the chemistry of complex systems of reaction networks
- ✓ Gaining insights into the *scientifically relevant aspects* (key intermediates and chemical pathways) by addressing the “right” level of detail for
 - *formation of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)*
 - *low-temperature oxidation and ignition chemistry (detection, identification, and quantification of KHPs)*
- ✓ experiments and analysis procedures, theory, and new experiments



Gaining Experimental Insights Into Complex Systems of Reactions Under Idealized Conditions



- ✓ Orthogonal extraction reflectron time-of-flight
- ✓ Detection limit: ~ 0.5 ppm
- ✓ Mass resolution $m/\Delta m \sim 4000$
- ✓ Electron and photon ionization (at the Advanced Light Source)
- ✓ Continuous ionization, rapid (35 kHz) ion extraction

Gaining Experimental Insights Into Complex Systems of Reactions Under Idealized Conditions

1. Sample from Complex Systems and record Mass Spectra

at various positions from and temperatures in the reactors

2. Identify Key Components

based on m/z ratios, ionization thresholds, fragmentation patterns, PIE curves

3. Determine the Quantitative Composition of the Reactors

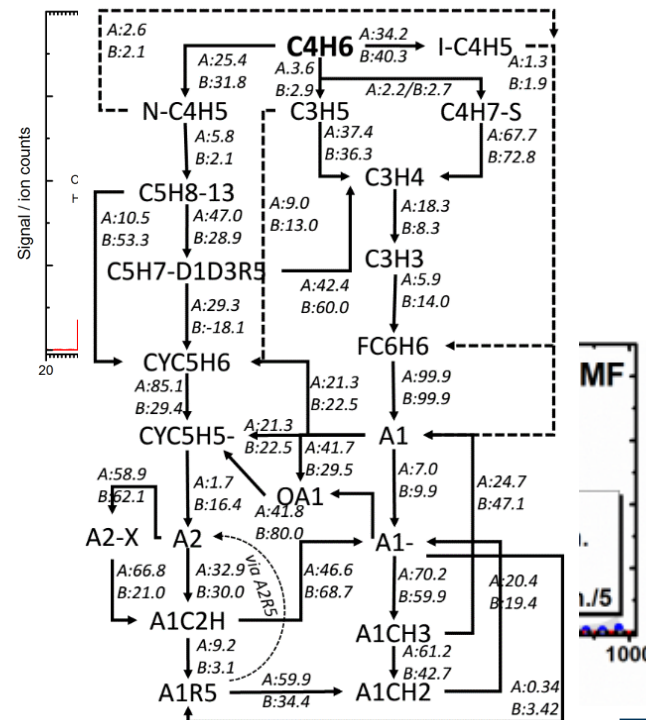
calibrate the system (mass discrimination factors), measure (or calculate) photo- and electron ionization cross sections

4. Identify Relevant Reaction Pathways

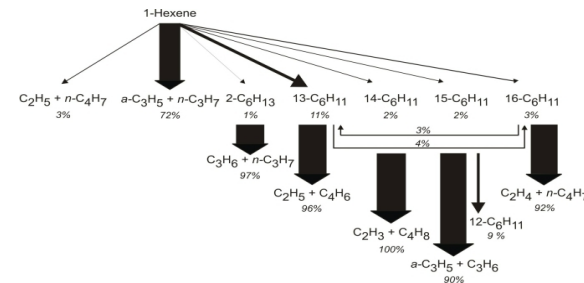
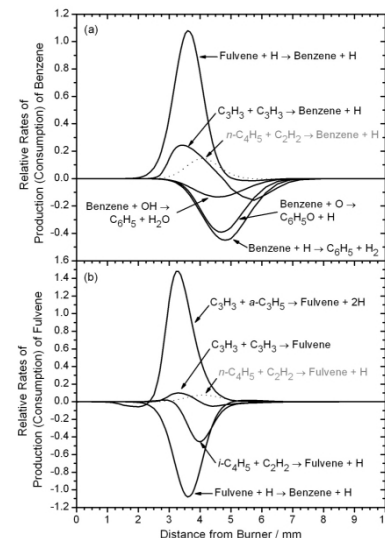
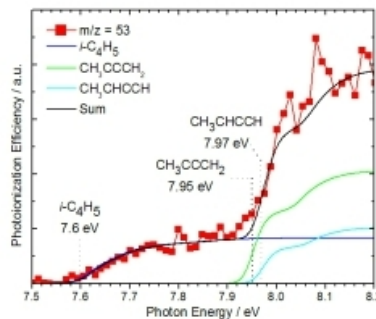
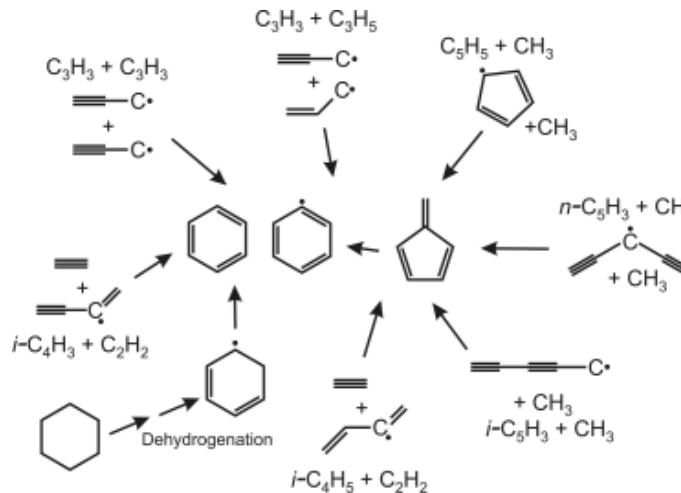
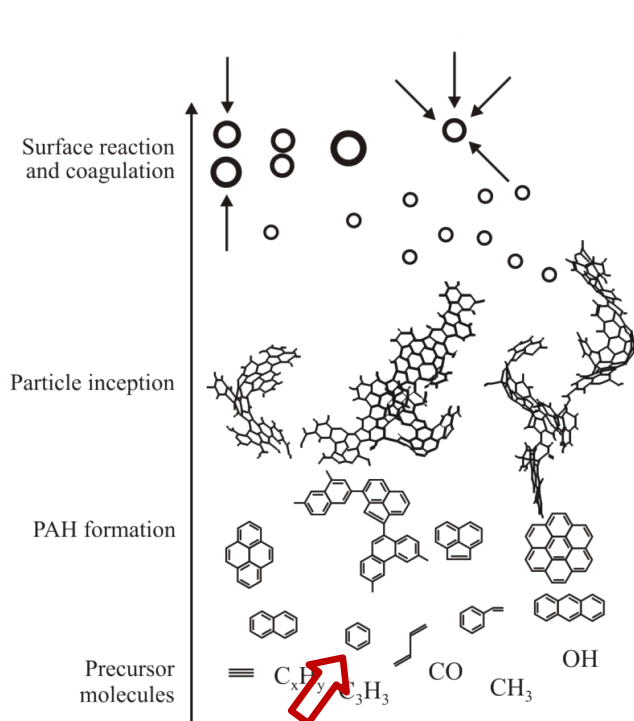
*from species' identities and their mole fraction data
combine measurements of mole fractions with kinetic modeling results*

5. Gaining Insights into Relevant Chemical Aspects

for PAH formation and low-temperature oxidation

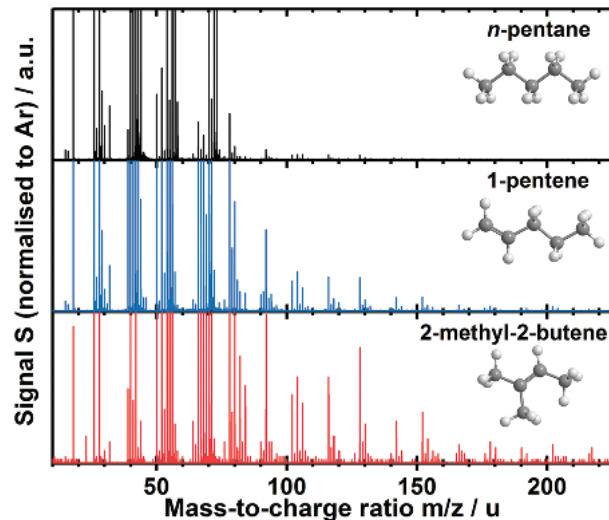
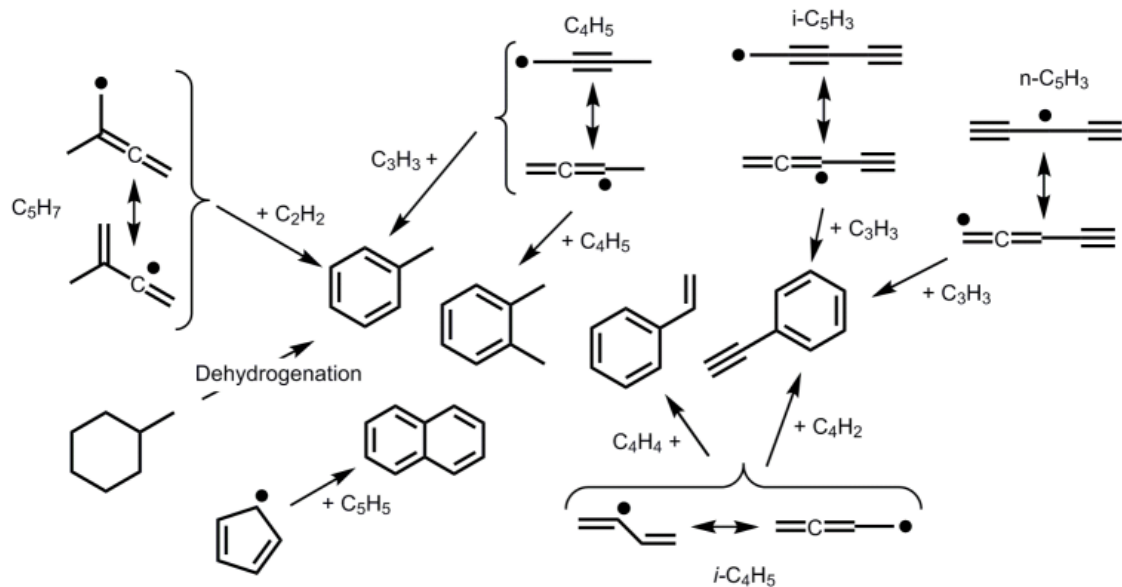


Formation of Benzene

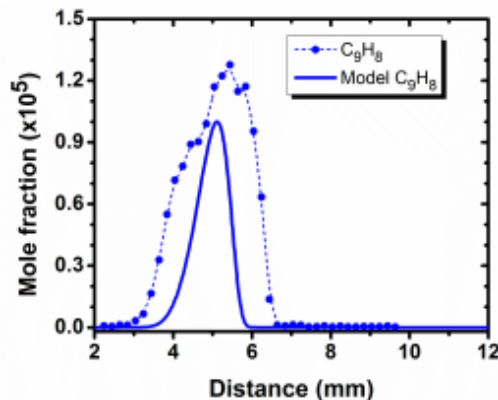
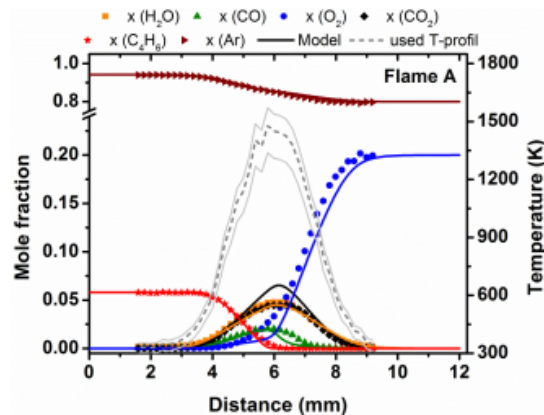


Molecular-Growth From The First Aromatic Ring to Pyrene

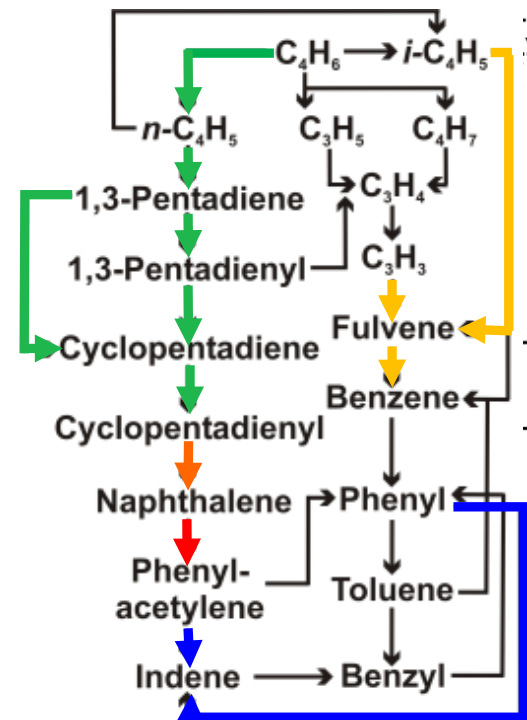
✓ What are the first aromatic species and how are they formed?



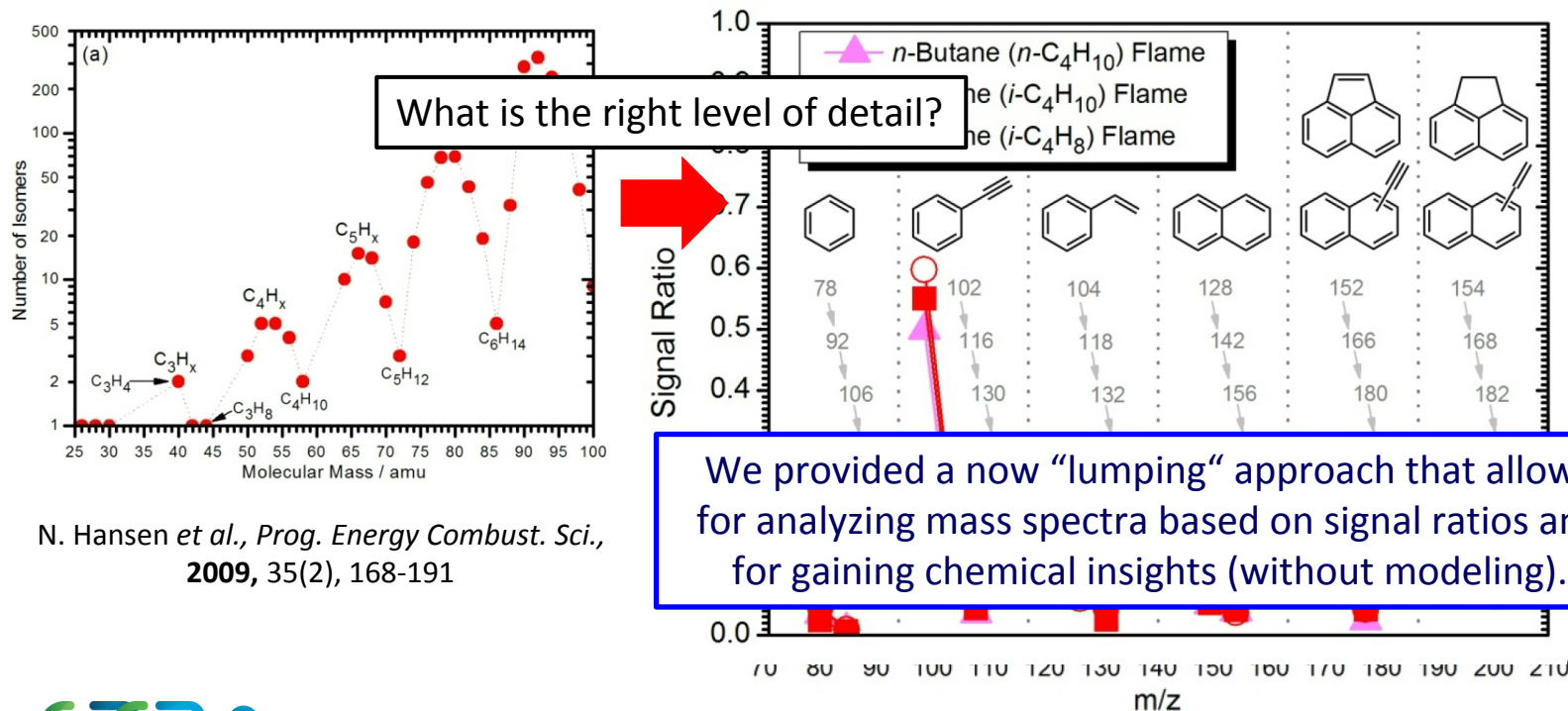
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- ✓ indene (A1R5) is formed via $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5 + \text{C}_3\text{H}_3$ and $\text{CH}_3 + \text{phenylacetylene}$ (A1C2H) reactions
- ✓ with A1C2H being formed through naphthalene oxidation
providing evidence for non-sequential growth
- highlights the need to better understand the 2nd ring formation



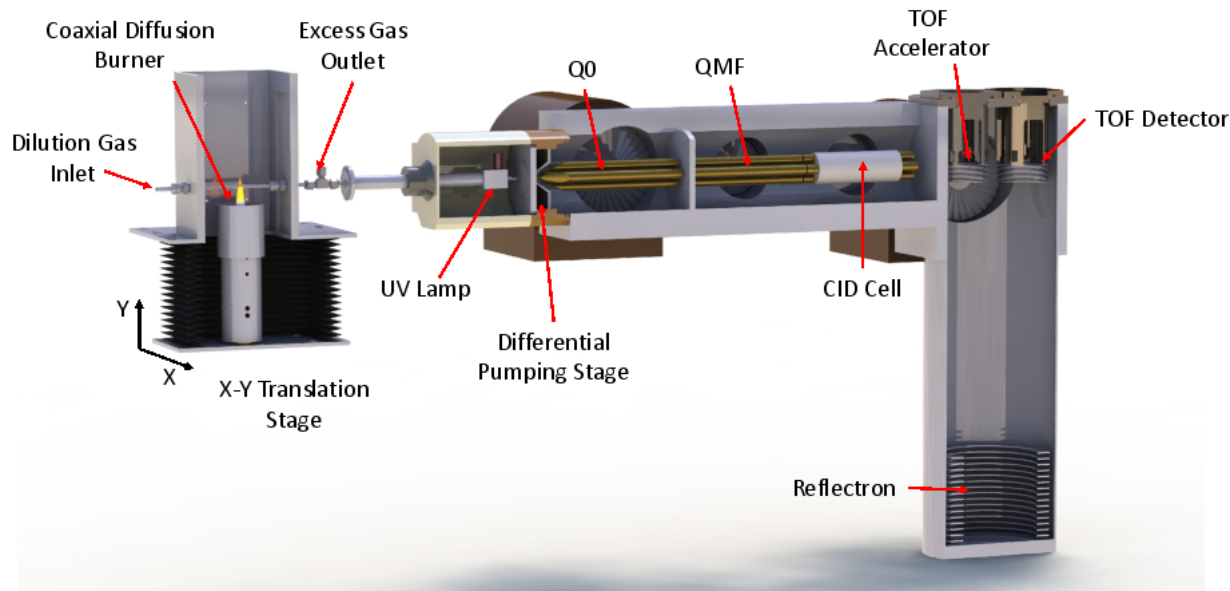
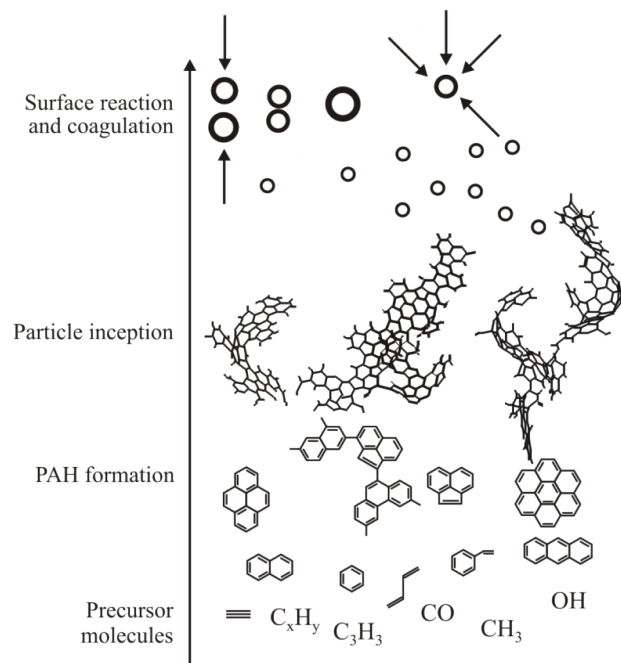
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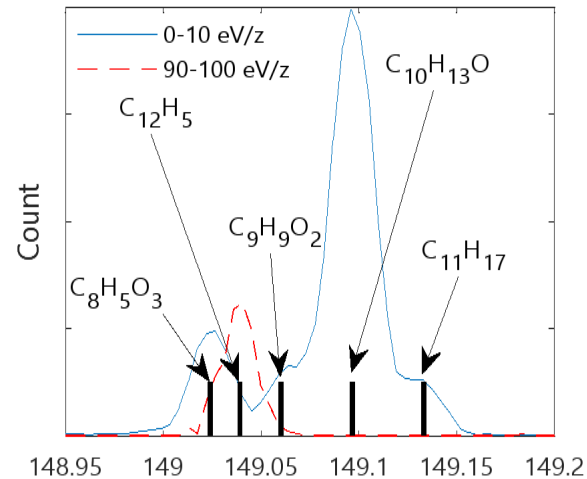
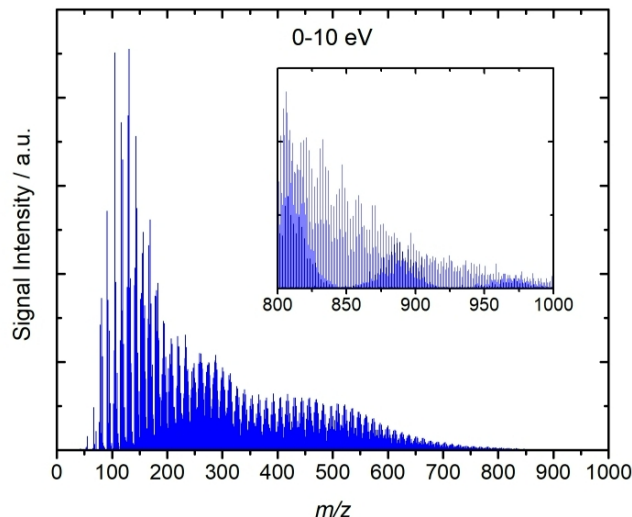
We provided a now “lumping” approach that allows for analyzing mass spectra based on signal ratios and for gaining chemical insights (without modeling).

Addressing the Complexity of Reaction Systems: Tandem Mass Spectrometry

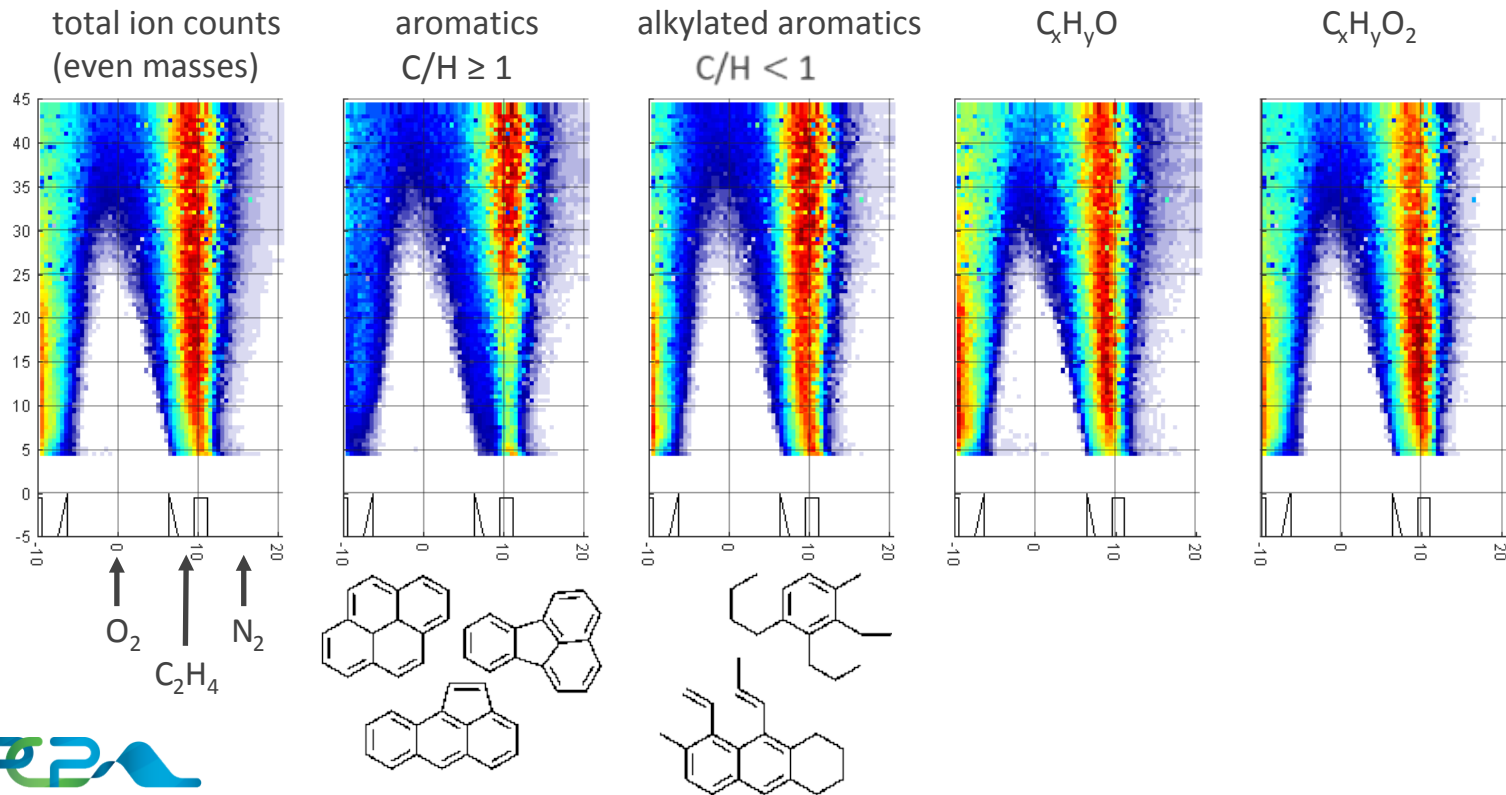


Tandem Mass Spectrometry: General Performance of the Mass Spectrometer

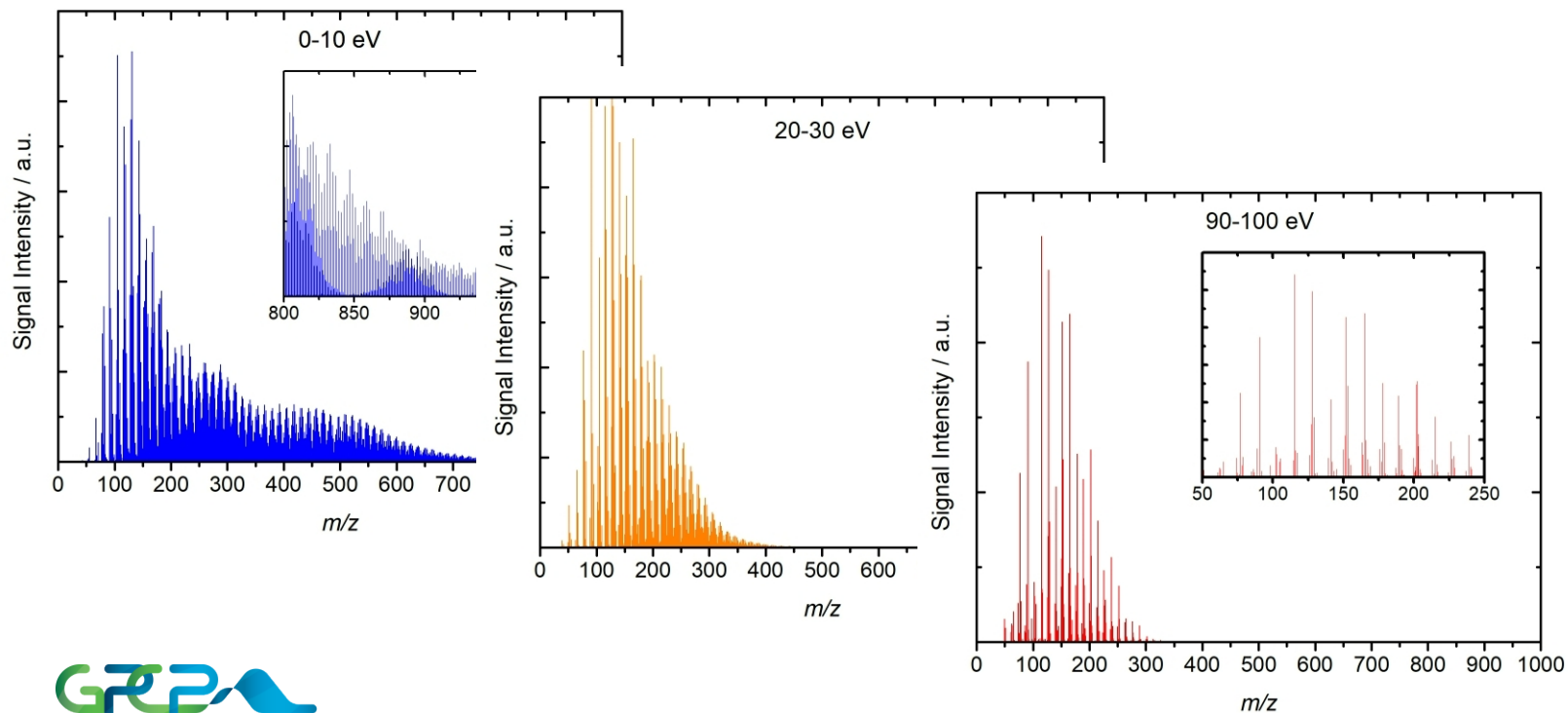
- ✓ atmospheric pressure photoionization (APPI)
- ✓ two modes of operation:
 - time-of-flight mode
 - MS-MS mode
- ✓ Resolution: QMF ~ 1 , TOF ~ 8000
- ✓ collision gas: Ar
- ✓ sensitivity: tbd



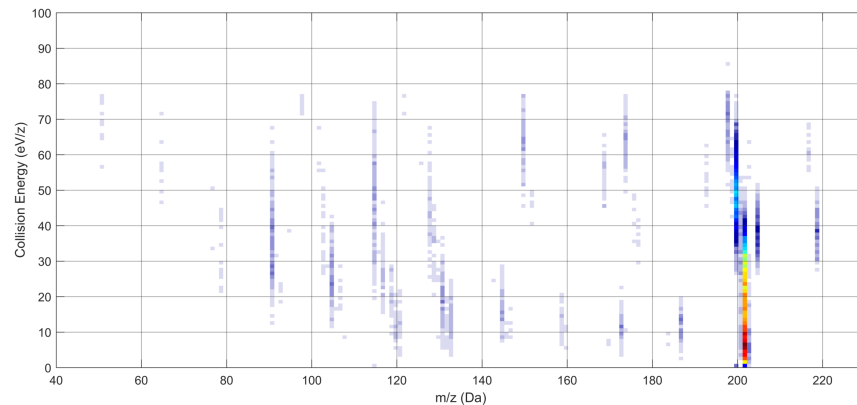
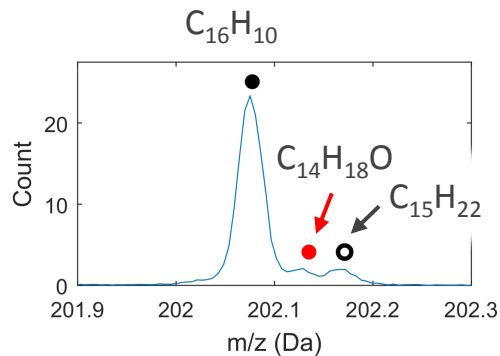
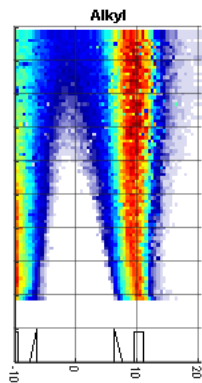
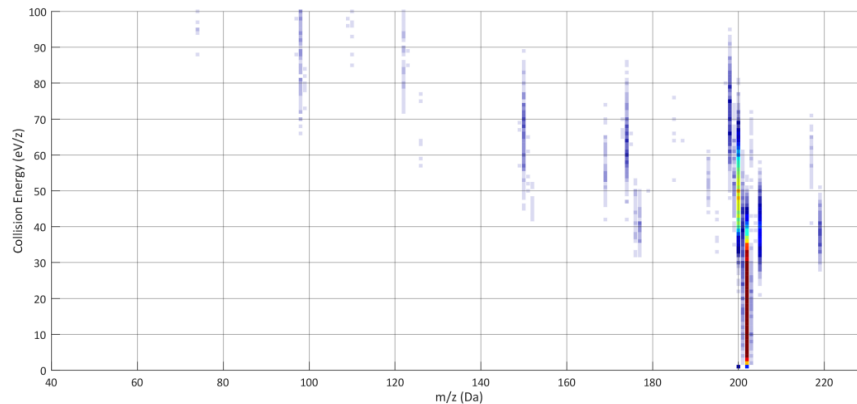
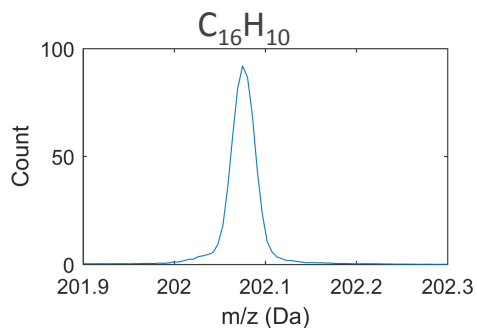
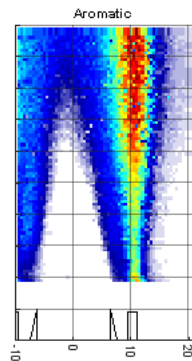
2D-Color Maps of PAHs in Co-Flow Diffusion Flames



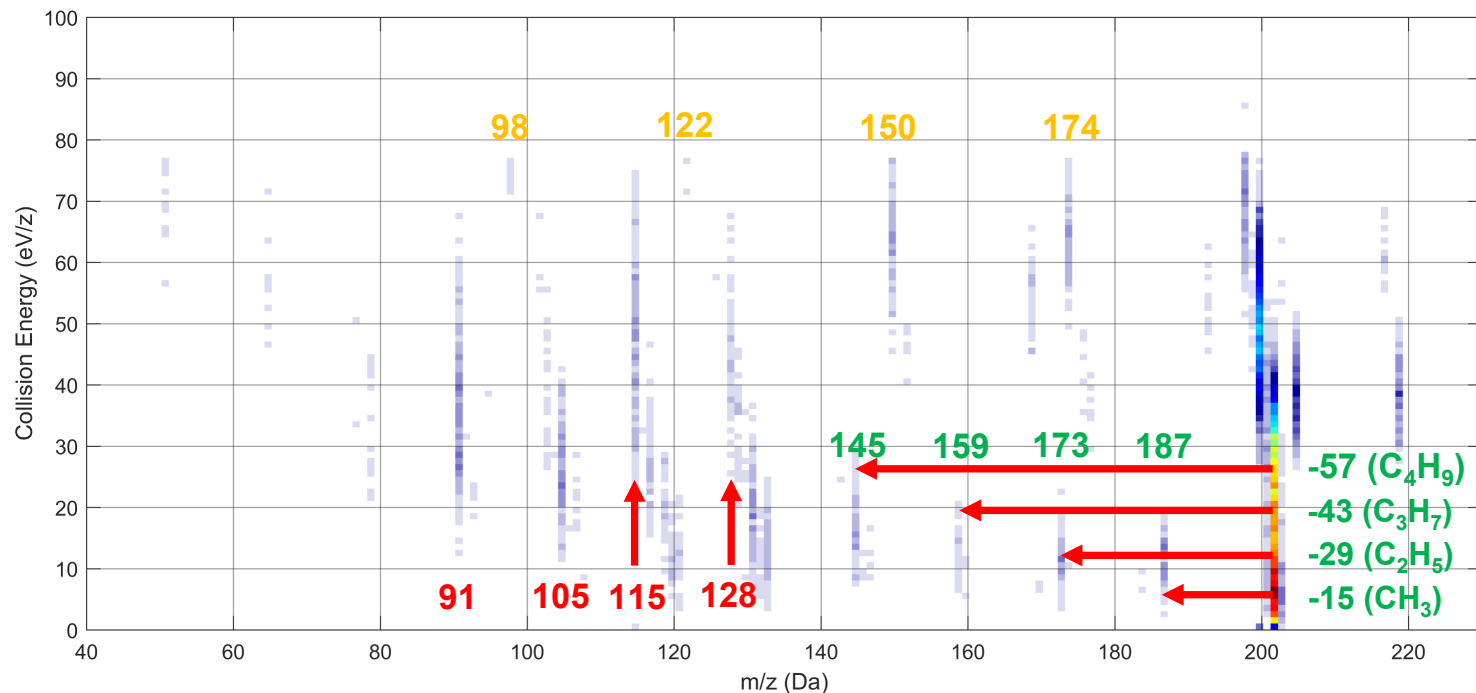
Fragmentation Scans: Identification of core-PAH Structures



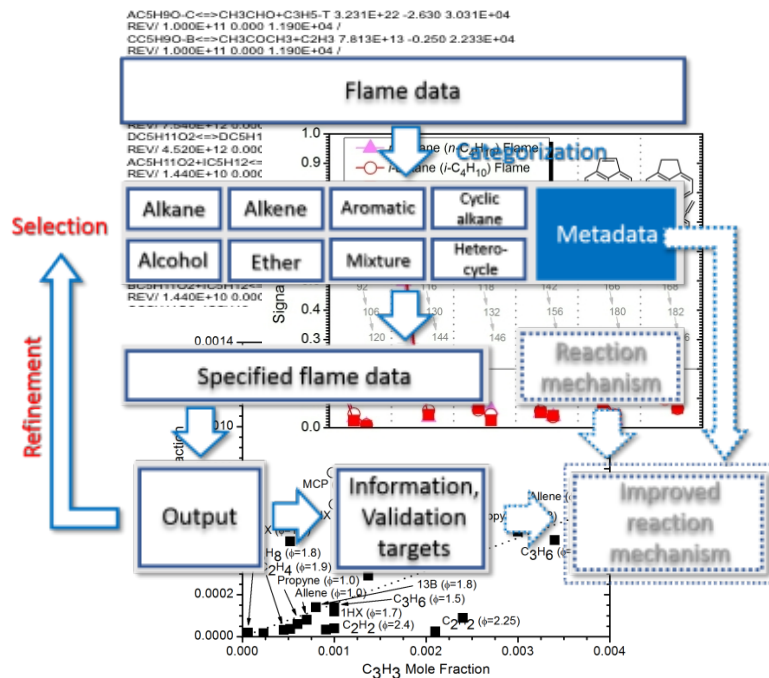
Fragmentation Scans: $m/z = 202$



Identification of core PAH Structures and Aliphatic Chains

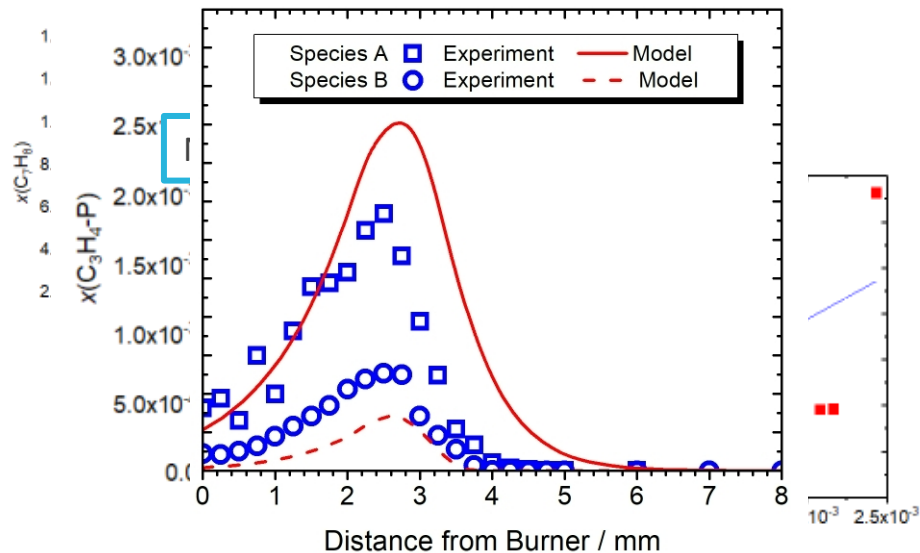


Addressing the Complexity of Reaction Systems: Innovative Modeling Approaches/ML



Development of a Low-Pressure Flame Database

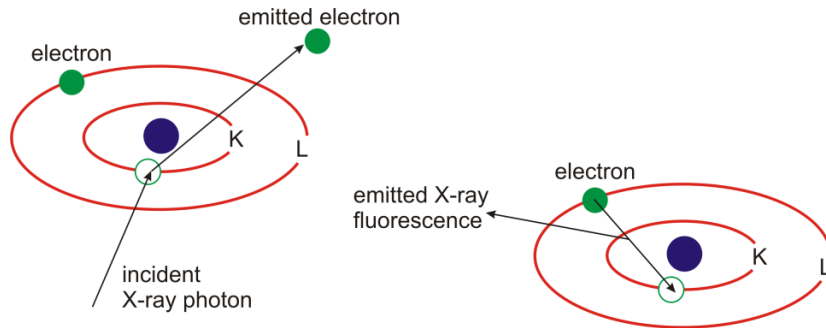
more than 50 flames from five different labs



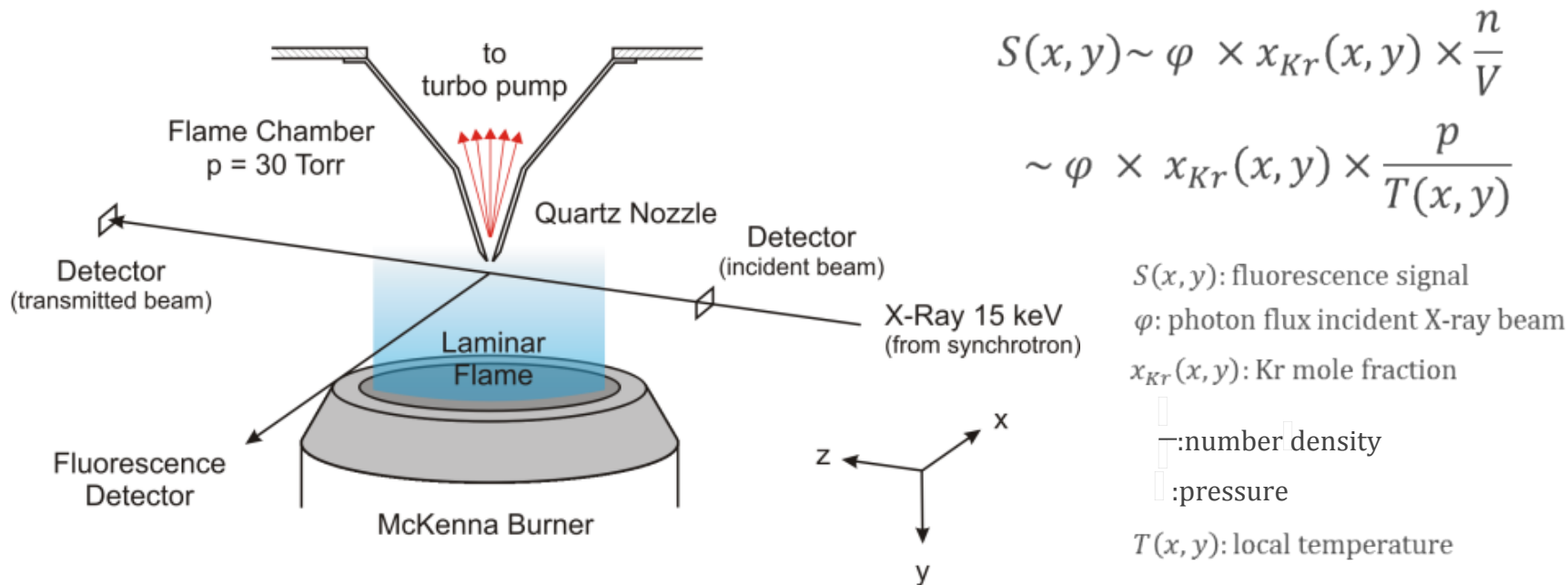
Measuring 2D Temperature Fields with Kr X-Ray Fluorescence

Beamline 7BM at the Advanced Photon Source (APS) of the Argonne National Laboratory

- ❑ X-ray fluorescence beamline
- ❑ Synchrotron-generated 5.1-22 keV
- ❑ High photon flux (2×10^{11} photons/s)
- ❑ Size of focal point: $5 \times 7 \mu\text{m}$
- ❑ Kr excitation at 15 keV and fluorescence detection at 12.6 keV (Kr $K\alpha$)

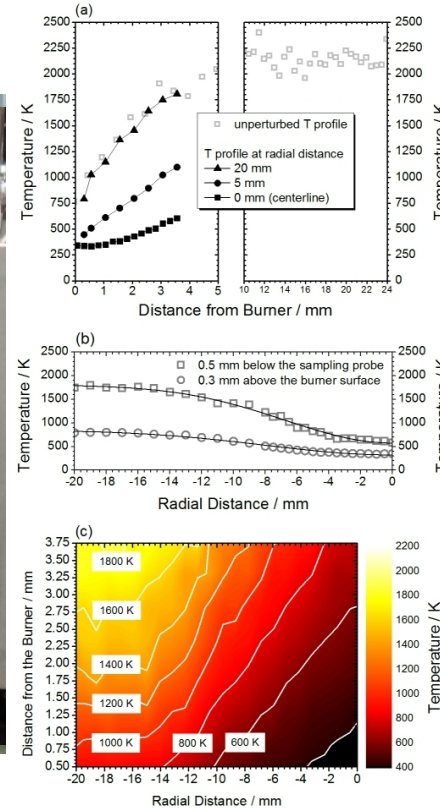
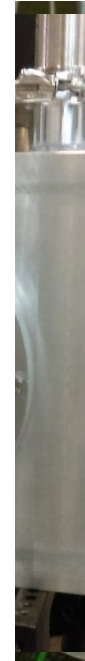
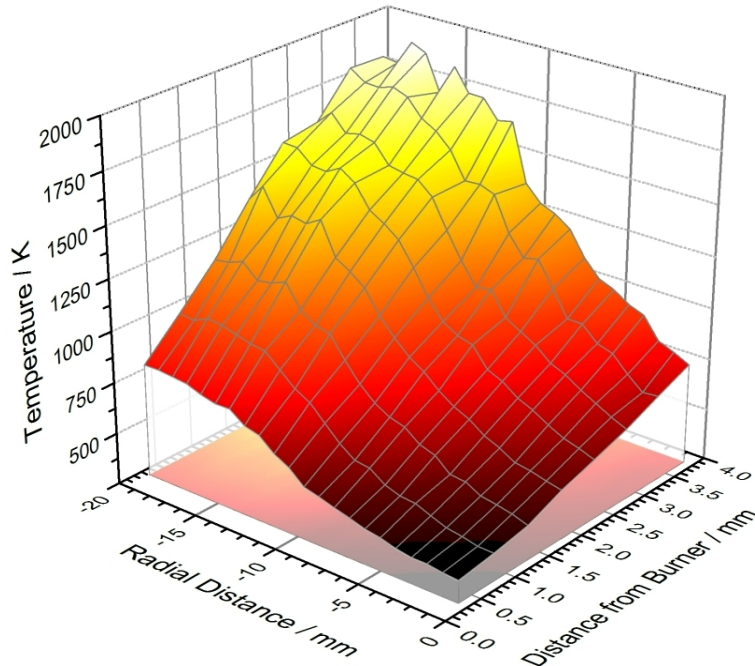


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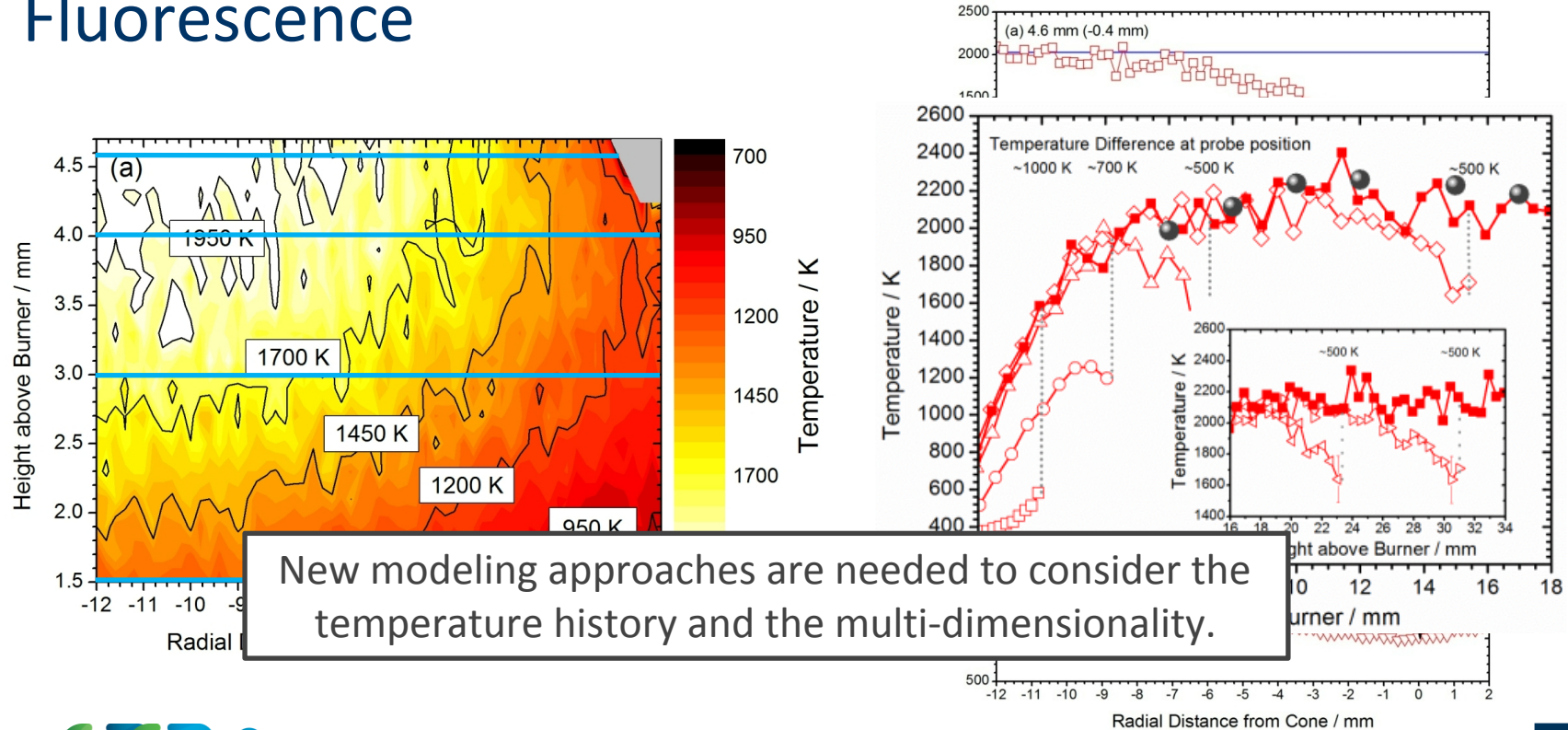


Flame conditions: 14.5% C_2H_4 , 25.5% O_2 , 55% Ar, 5% Kr, $\Phi=1.7$, 30 Torr, $0.00404 \text{ g/cm}^2/\text{sec}$

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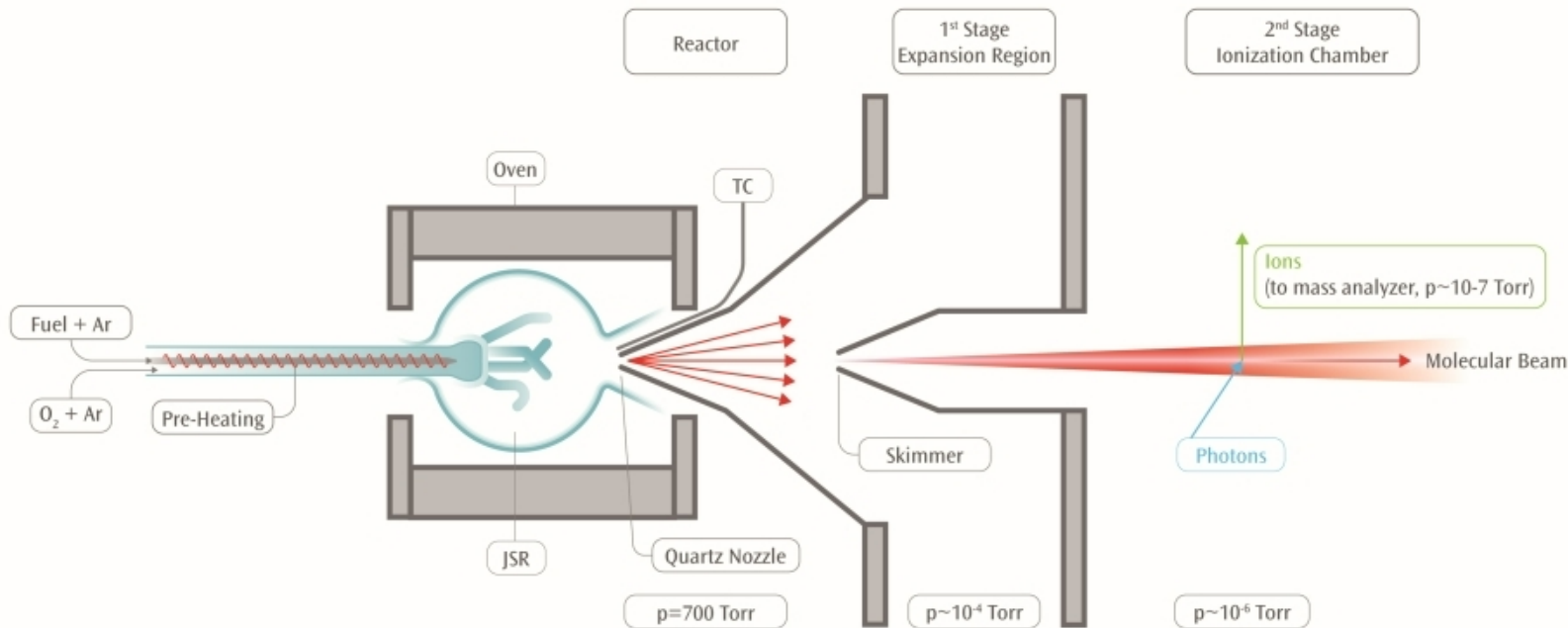
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New modeling approaches are needed to consider the temperature history and the multi-dimensionality.

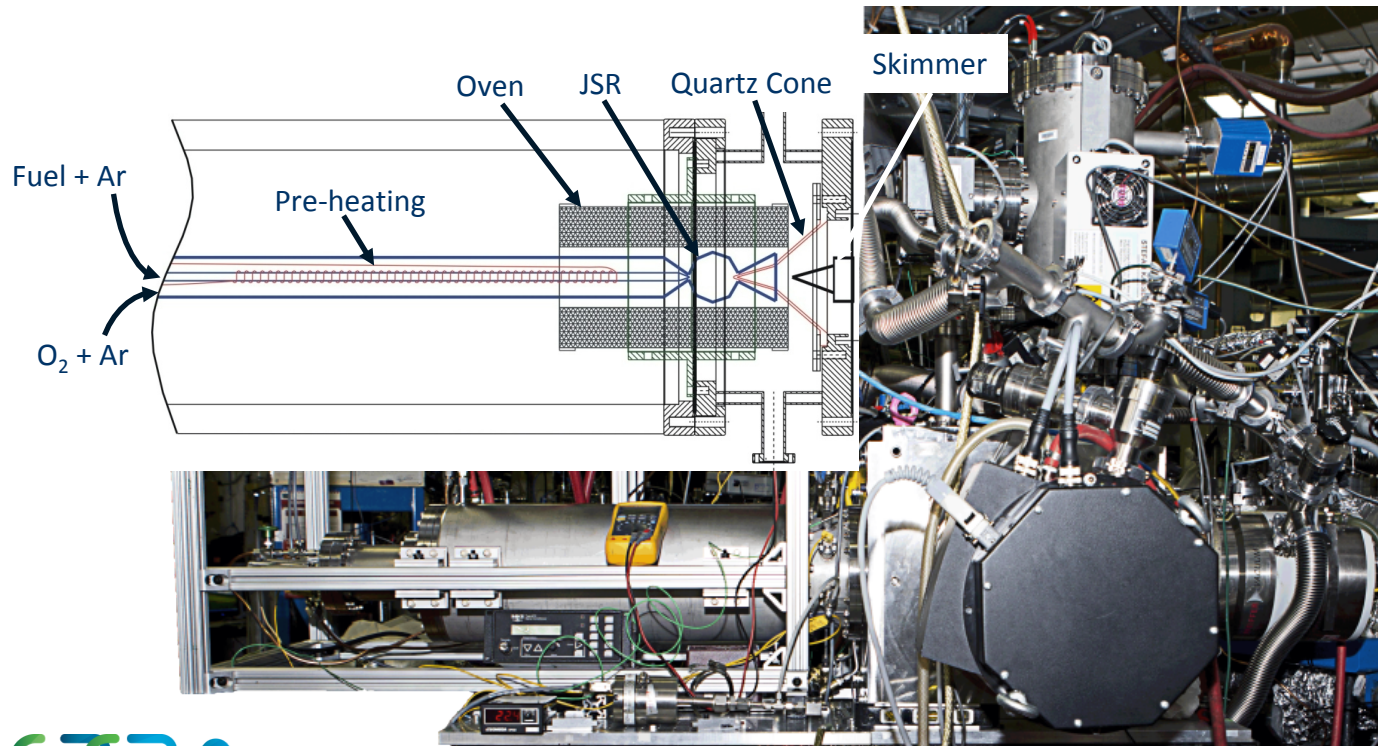
Low-Temperature Oxidation and Ignition Chemistry

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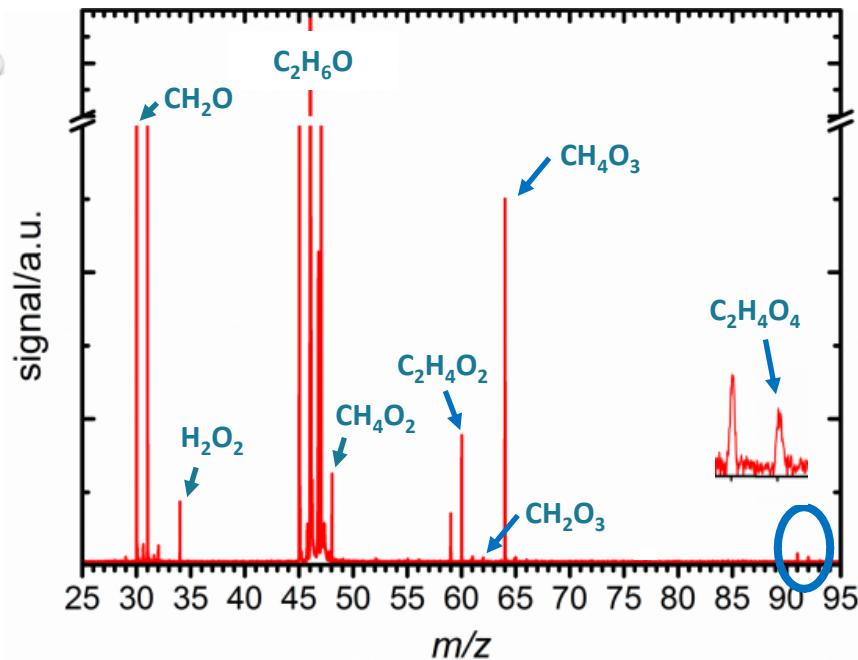
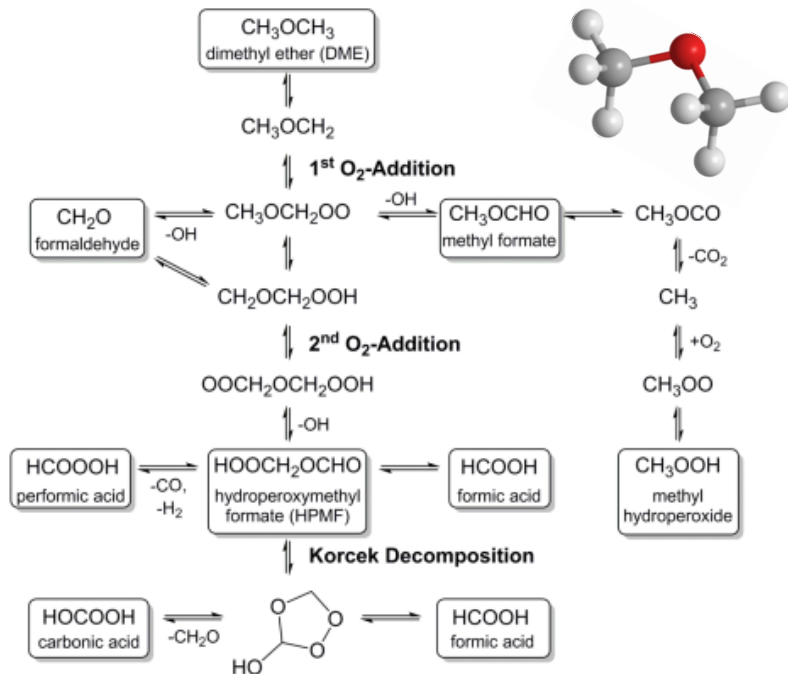


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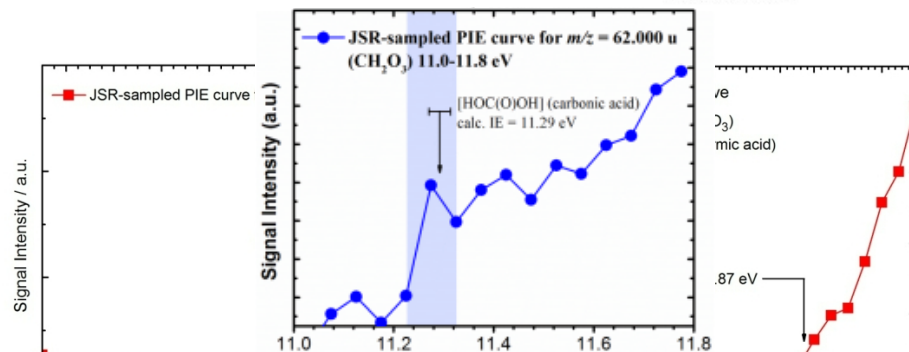
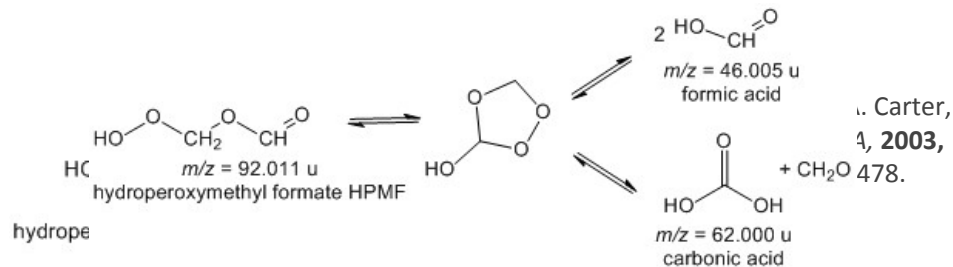
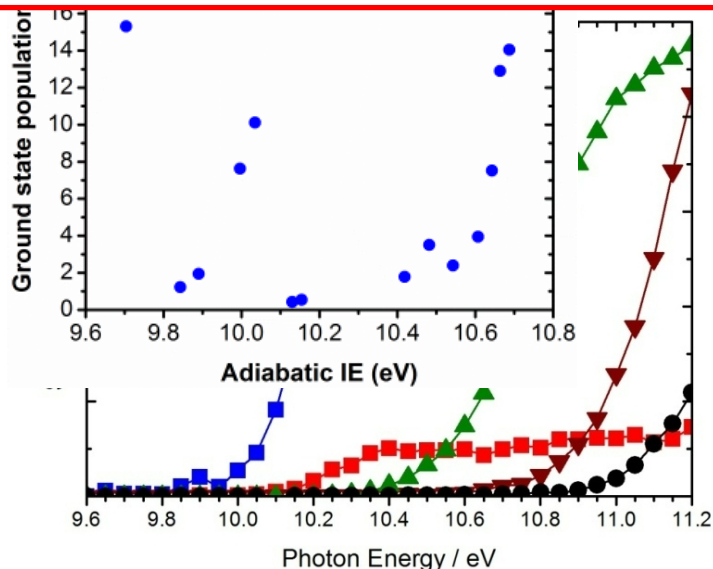
Low-Temperature Oxidation Chemistry of Dimethyl Ether (DME)



Low-Temperature Oxidation of DME

Identification of the Ketohydroperoxide HPMF

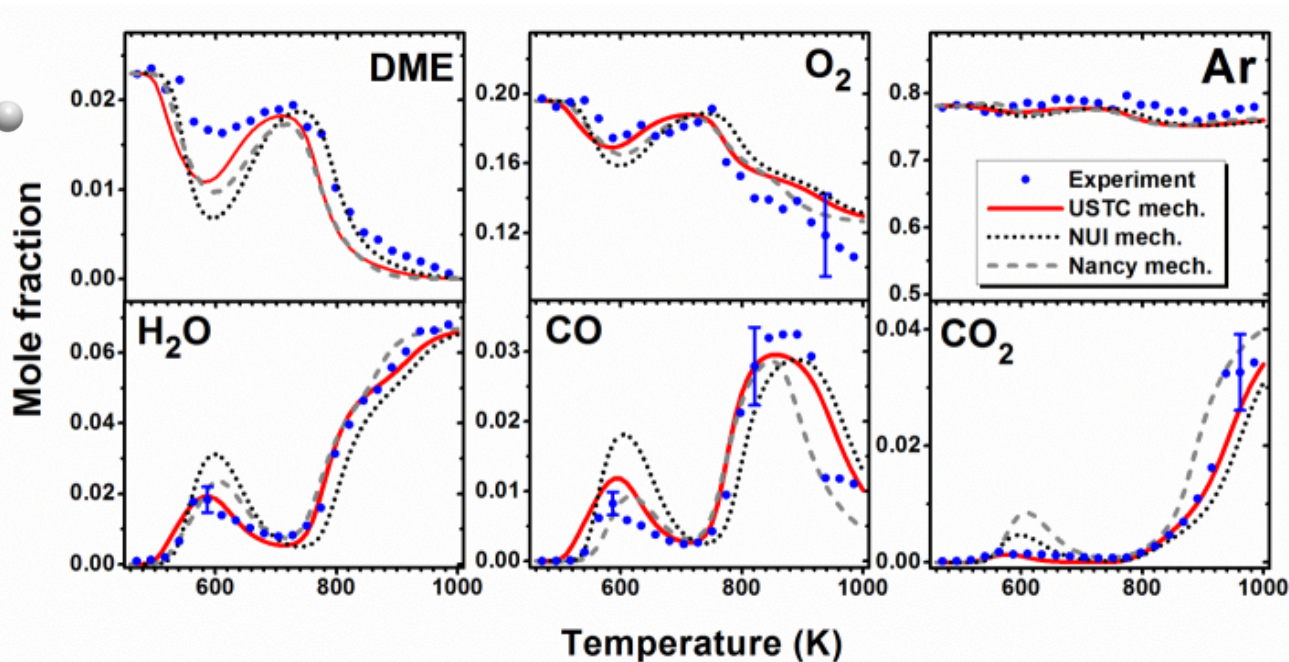
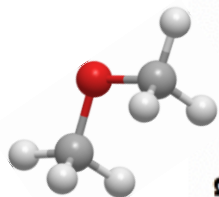
Fragment pattern gives additional evidence for the experimental detection of HPMF



Detection of carbonic acid provides evidence for the Korcek decomposition mechanism!

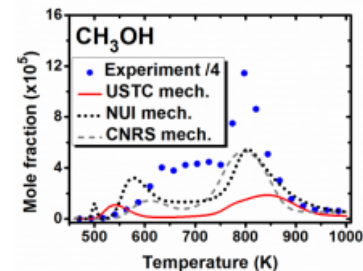
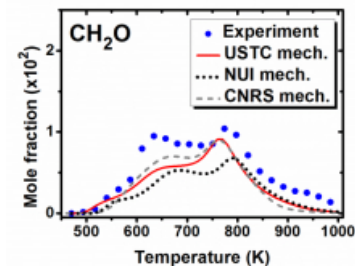
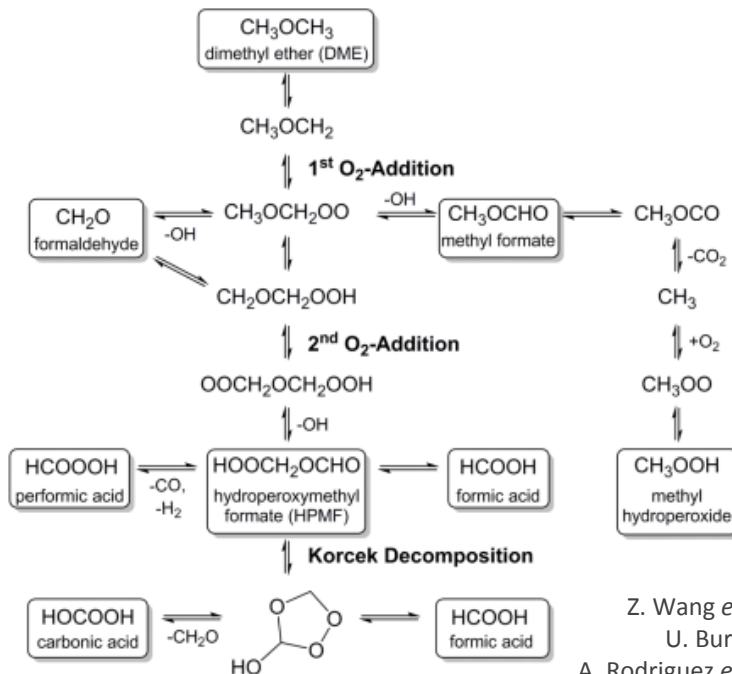
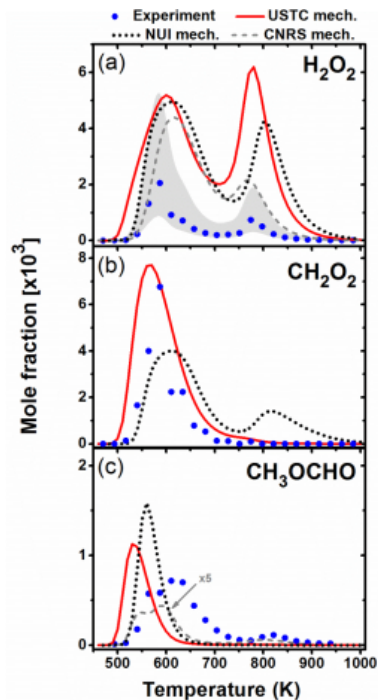
Low-Temperature Oxidation of DME

Quantification of the Main Species



Low-Temperature Oxidation of DME

Quantification of Some Intermediates



Models:

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Low-Temperature Oxidation of DME

Quantification of CH_3OOH and the Ketohydroperoxide HPMF

- using calculated photoionization cross sections



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ePolyScat (version E3)

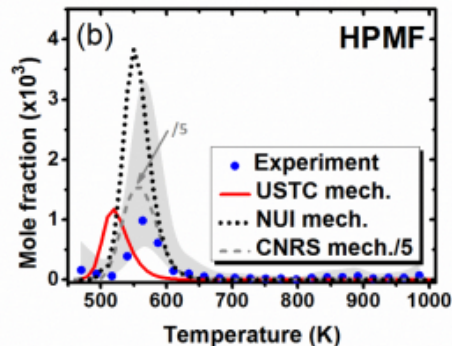
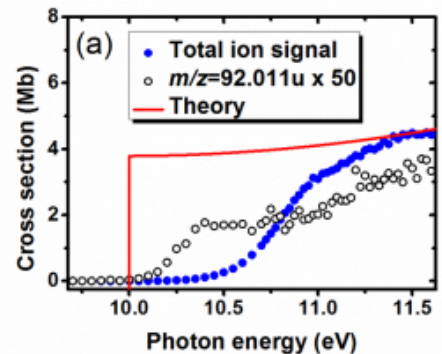
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A. W. Jasper, Argonne

- tested against a variety of known species
⇒ uncertainty $\leq$ a factor of 2
- it calculates total cross sections
⇒ fragmentation pattern needs to be known
- it doesn't calculate Franck-Condon overlaps
⇒ scale to experimental photoionization efficiency curves

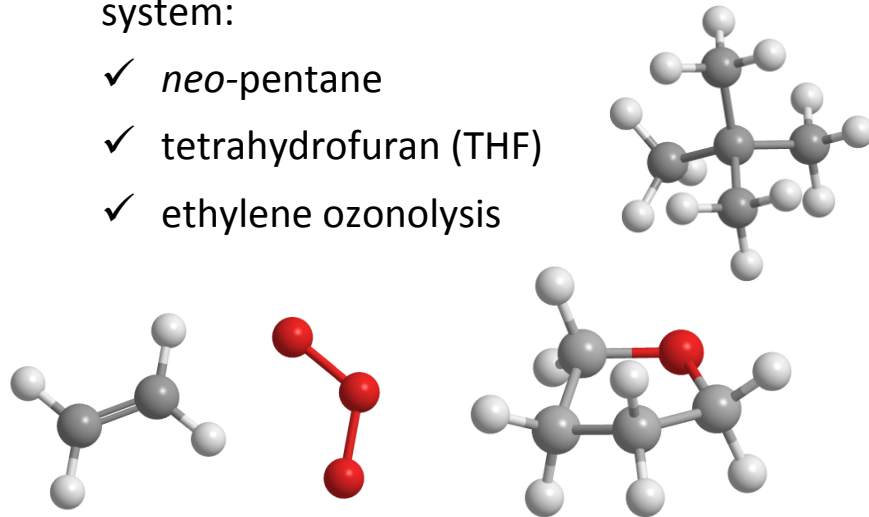
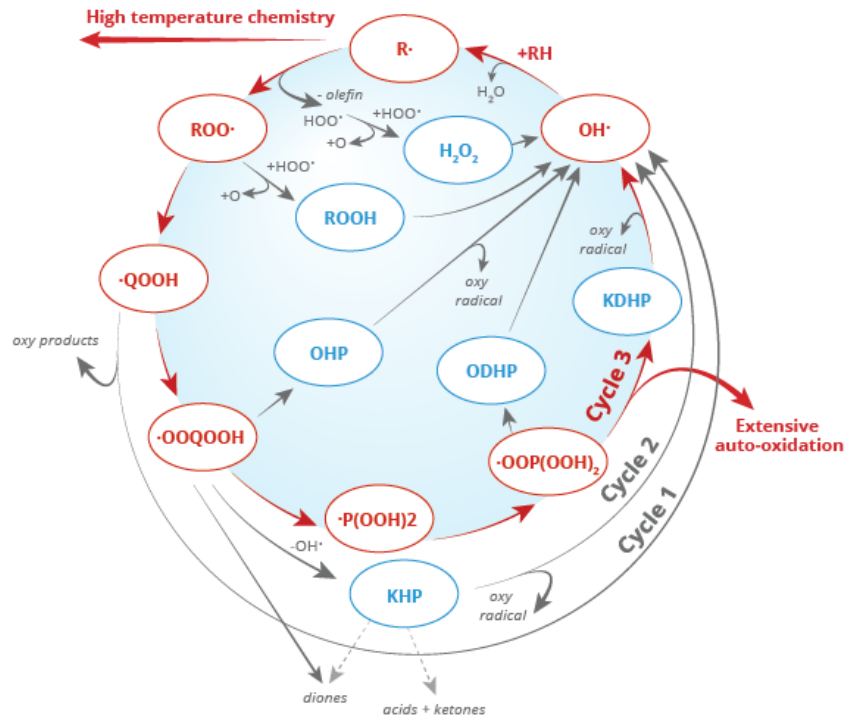


Low-Temperature Oxidation

neo-Pentane and Tetrahydrofuran as Logical Extension

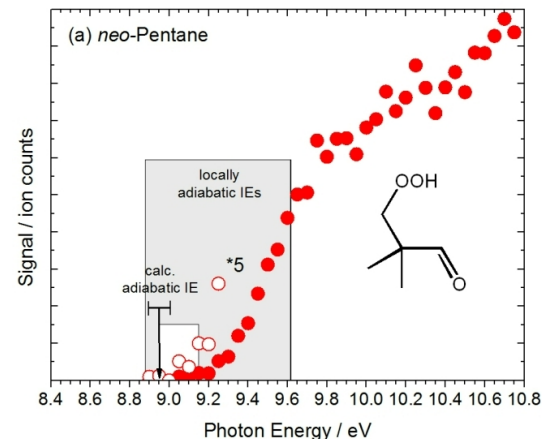
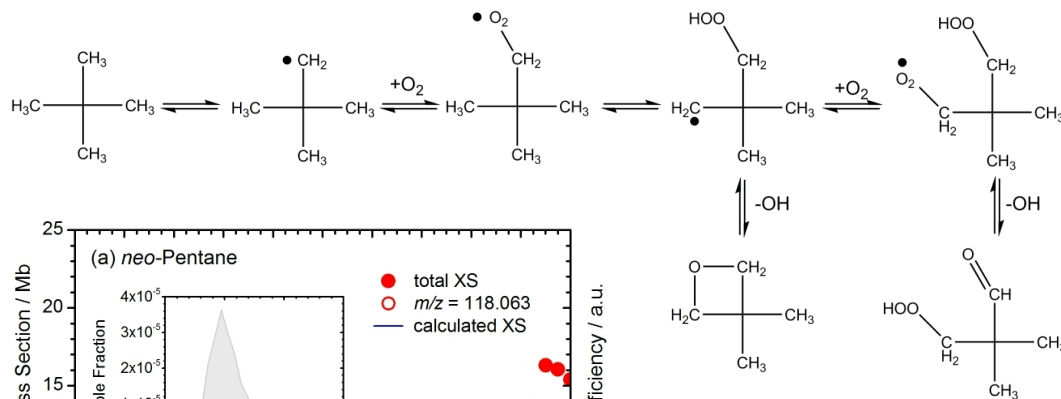
□ apply the insights gained from the DME project to study the low-temperature oxidation of a more complex molecular system:

- ✓ *neo*-pentane
- ✓ tetrahydrofuran (THF)
- ✓ ethylene ozonolysis



Low-Temperature Oxidation of *neo*-Pentane

Detection and Identification of the KHP



Fragmentation Channel	Calculated AE, eV ^a	Experimentally observed AE, eV
$HOO-CH_2-C(CH_3)_2H^+ (C_4H_{10}O_2^+) + CO$	9.41	9.40
$HOO-CH_2-C(CH_3)_2CO^+ (C_5H_9O_3^+) + H$	10.18	10.1
$HOO-CH_2-C(CH_3)_2^+ (C_4H_9O_2^+) + \cdot CHO$	10.44	10.5
$\cdot C(CH_3)_2CHO^+ (C_4H_7O^+) + \cdot CH_2OOH$	10.70	10.65

Low-Temperature Oxidation of Tetrahydrofuran Identification and Quantification of the Ketohydroperoxide

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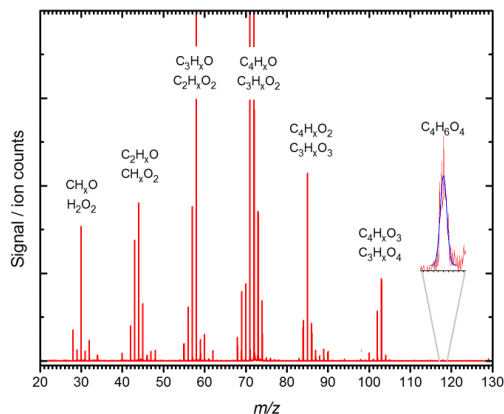
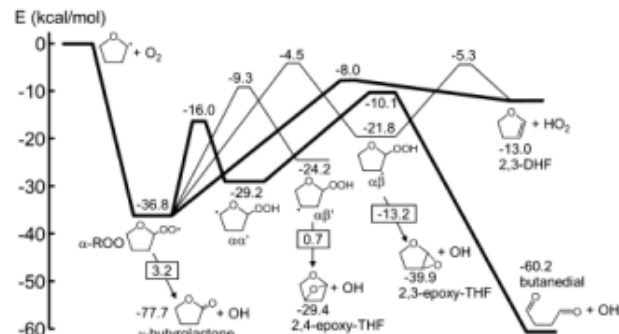
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Pressure-Dependent Competition among Reaction Pathways from First- and Second- O_2 Additions in the Low-Temperature Oxidation of Tetrahydrofuran

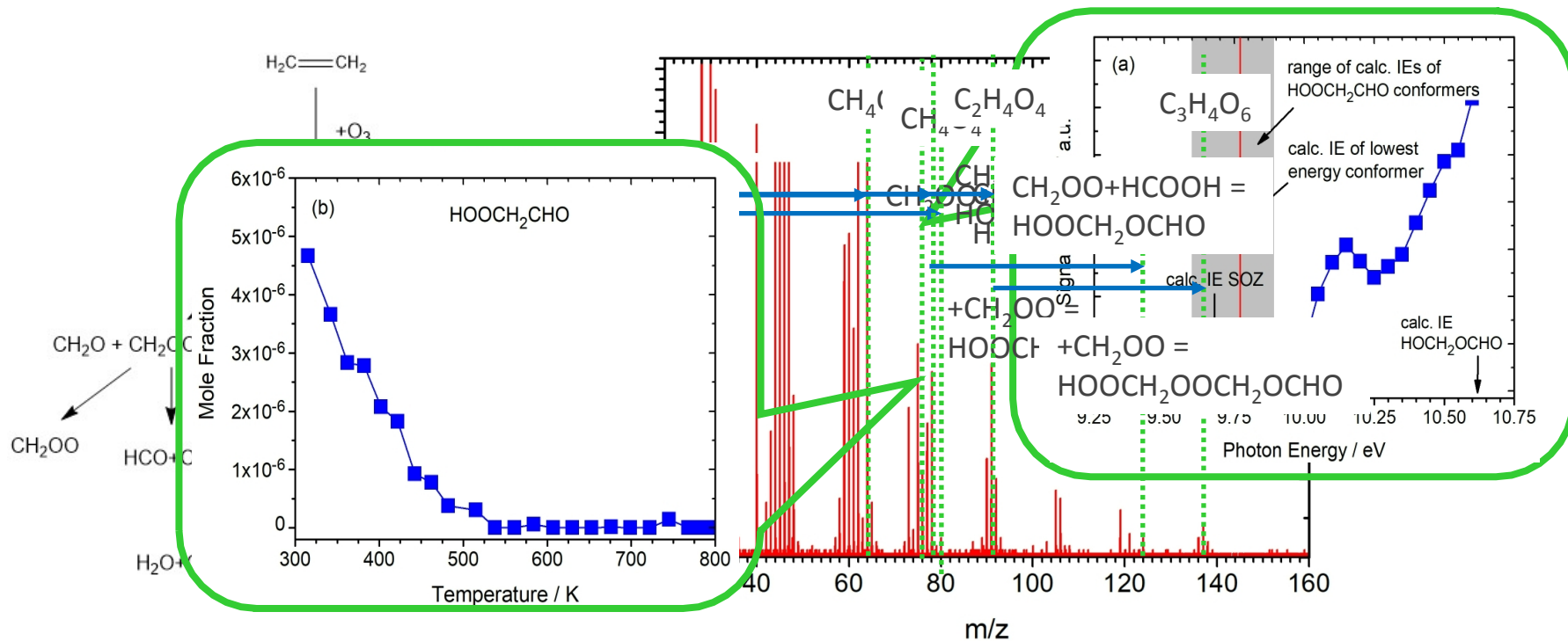
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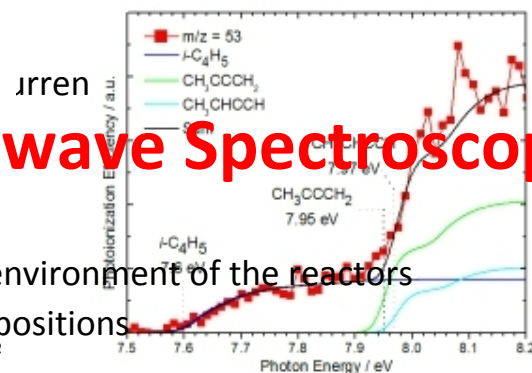
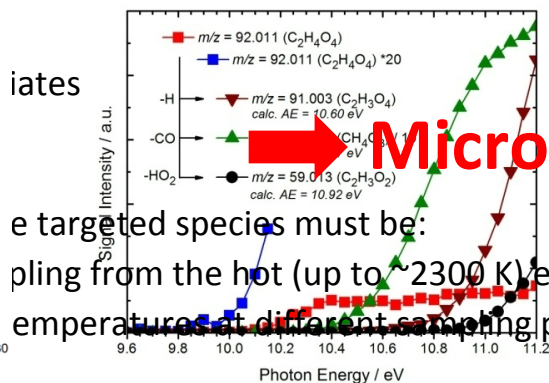
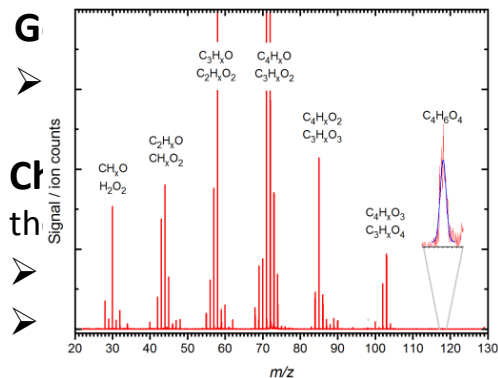
Ozonolysis of Ethylene

Ketohydroperoxide and Criegee Intermediate Reactions



Addressing the Complexity of Reaction Systems: Rotational Spectroscopy

- dissociative ionization might preclude a complete qualitative and quantitative interpretation of the sampled mass spectra
- similar ionization energies and photoionization efficiency curves may prevent isomer-specific assignments
- small Franck-Condon overlaps might hamper an adequate formation and sensitive detection of the corresponding ion
- access to synchrotron facilities for photoionization measurements might be very competitive and limited



the targeted species must be:
 sampling from the hot (up to ~2300 K) environment of the reactors
 temperatures at different sampling positions

Microwave Spectroscopy as a Diagnostic Tool

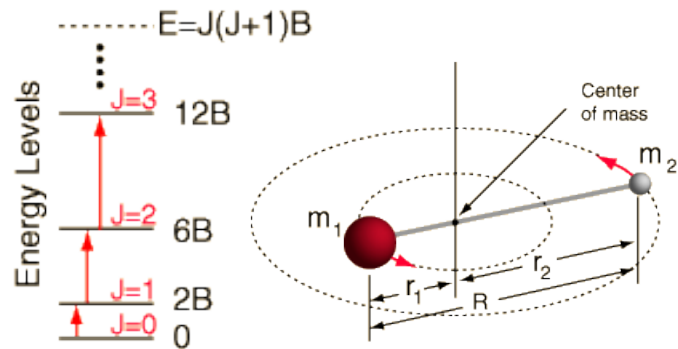
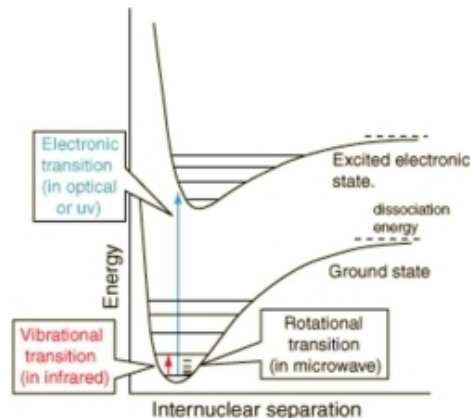
MW spectroscopy is the most accurate way to determine molecular structures

- ✓ rotational transitions are uniquely dependent on the molecular structure
- ✓ characteristic fingerprints due to *fine* and *hyperfine structures*, and *internal rotation effects*
- ✓ superior resolution ($E/\Delta E \sim 10^6$)

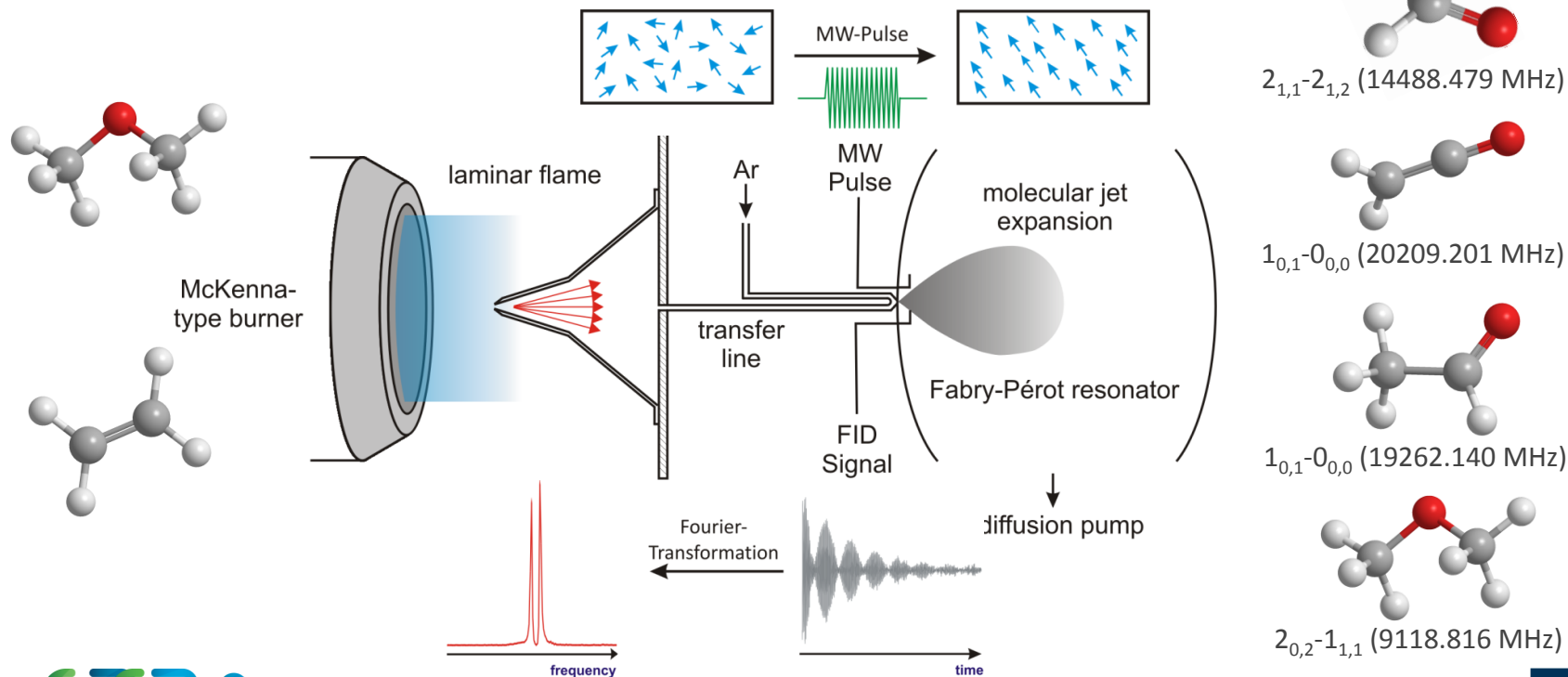
Challenges:

the rotational temperature of the targeted species must be:

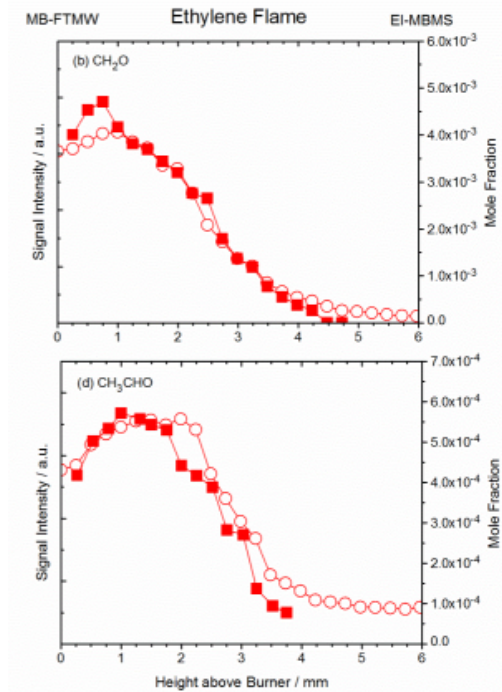
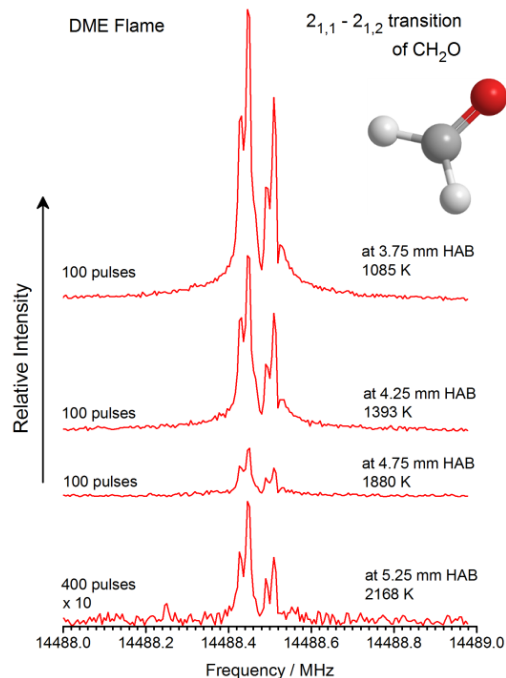
- sufficiently cooled after sampling from the hot (up to ~ 2300 K) environment of the reactors
- independent of the varying temperatures at different sampling positions



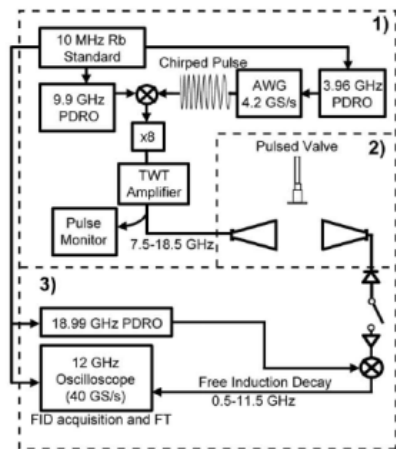
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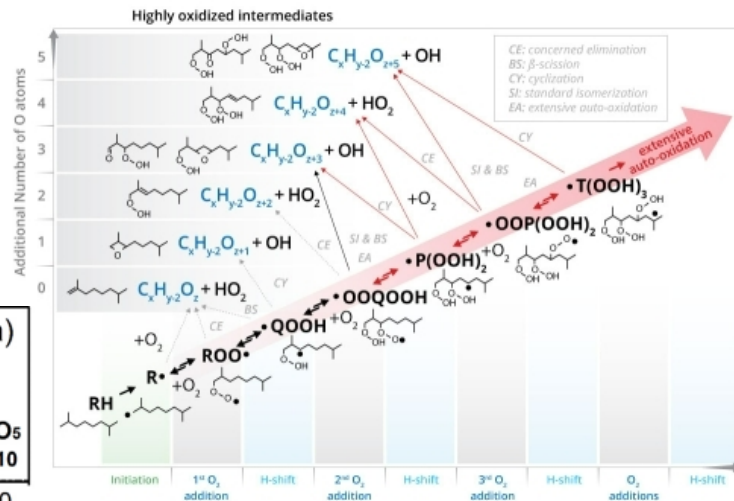
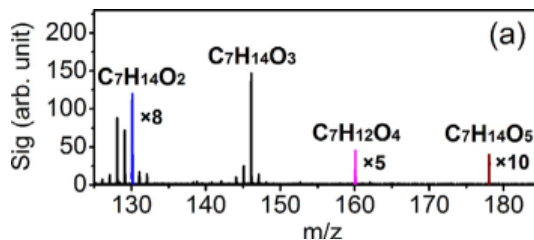
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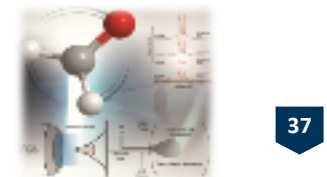
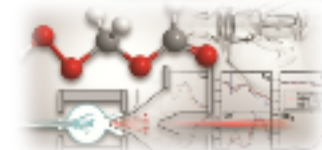
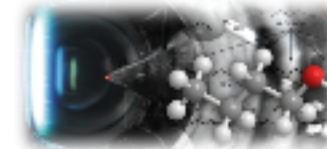
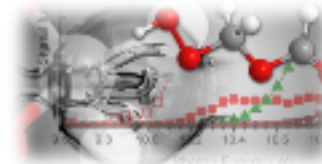
- ✓ Reactors (flames, JSR, *etc.*) can provide target species in a controlled manner that are hard to obtain otherwise
 - ⇒ isomer- and conformer specific spectroscopy
- ✓ Low-Temperature Oxidation:
 - *Identification and quantification of highly-oxygenated species*



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Conclusions and Outlook

- address the complexity of chemical reaction networks with a combination of experiments, data analysis procedures, and model development
 - ✓ identify reaction pathways, detect and quantify key intermediates
- fuel-structure dependence of molecular-weight growth reactions using an experimental lumping approach
- imaged 2D temperature fields around the quartz sampling probe
- detection, identification, and quantification of elusive highly oxygenated intermediates during the low-temperature oxidation of DME, *neo*-pentane, and THF
 - ✓ conformer-dependent ionization and appearance energies, photoionization cross sections
- address the complexity of the reaction networks with new experimental approaches, *i.e.* microwave spectroscopy and MS-MS



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