

# The composition of interplanetary and cometary dust

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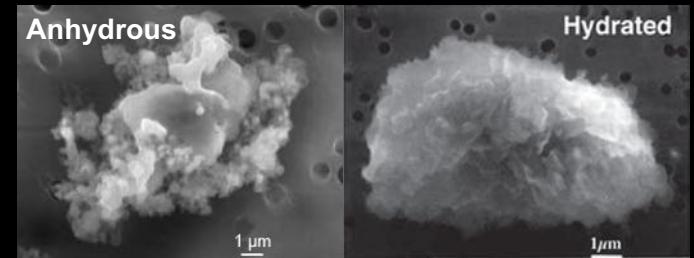
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# Interplanetary dust collections

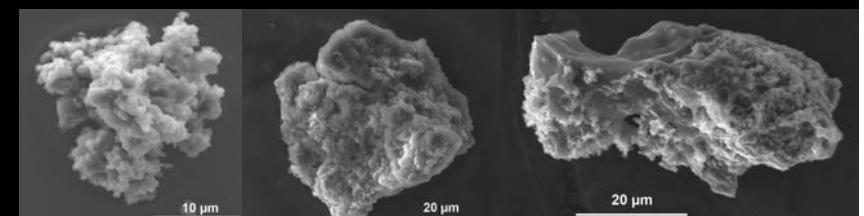
- Current cosmic Dust flux  $\sim 30\ 000$  tons/year  
(Mass max  $\sim 200\ \mu\text{m}$ )
- Deep Sea collections (since 1875...)
  - Cosmic spherules : melted and weathered particles
- NASA stratospheric collections since the 70s : **IDPs** (5-50  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- Polar collections since the 80s (Greenland then Antarctica):  
**Micrometeorites** (F, J, US, I)
  - From ice and snow: 20-500  $\mu\text{m}$
  - From sediments (Transantarctic Mountains) : 200 - 2000  $\mu\text{m}$  (mostly melted)



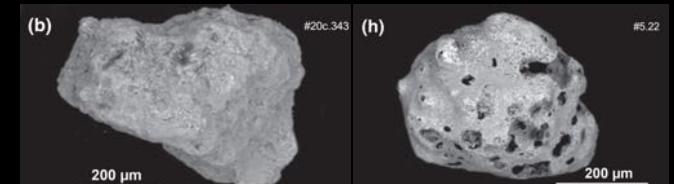
(Murray & Renard 1891)



(Taylor et al. 2016)



(Duprat et al. 2007, 2010)



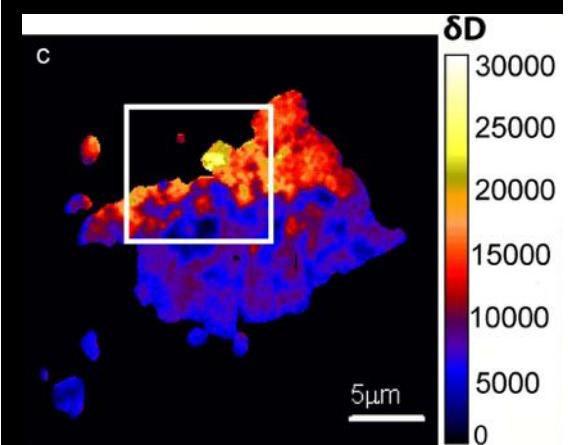
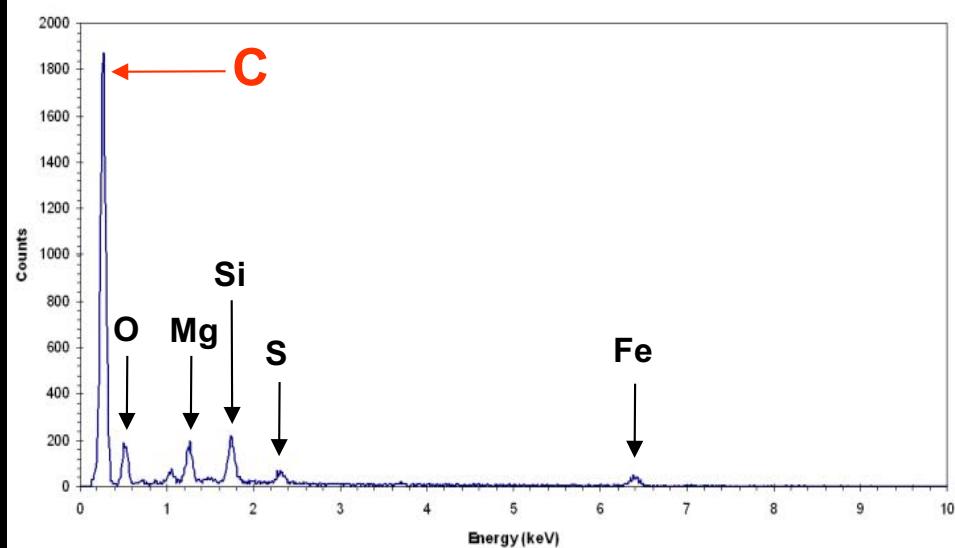
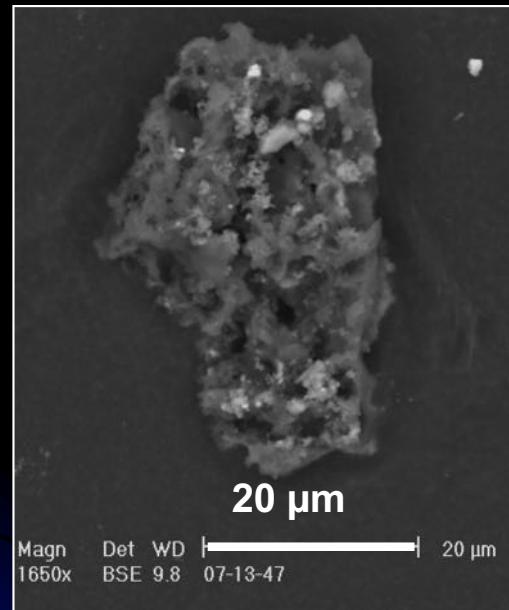
(Van Ginneken et al. 2012)

# IDPs and MMs

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- But: miniaturized components (e.g. CAIs and chondrules compared to CCs)
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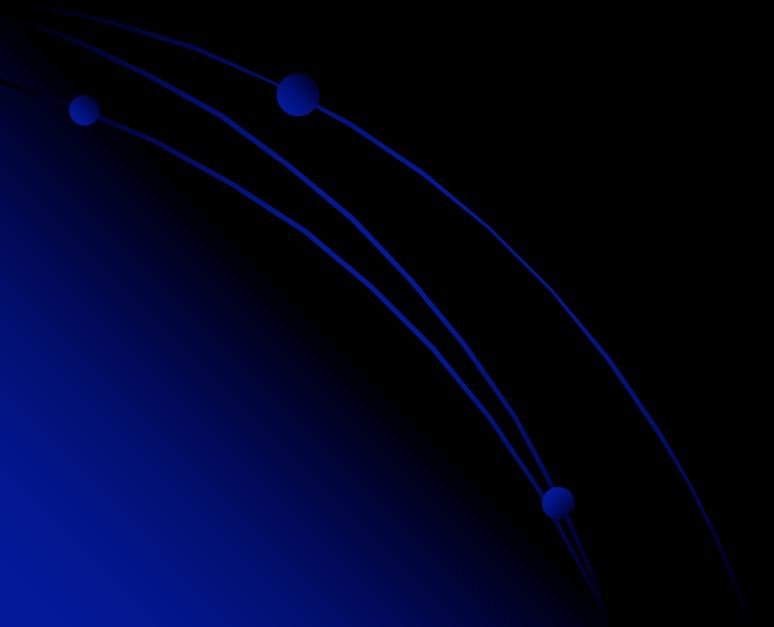
(Duprat *et al.* Science 2010, Dobrica *et al.* 2011, 2012)

- Found in J and F collections (and IDPs)
- Particles dominated by OM + minor mineral component
- Extreme D/H ratios (low T formation – outer regions)

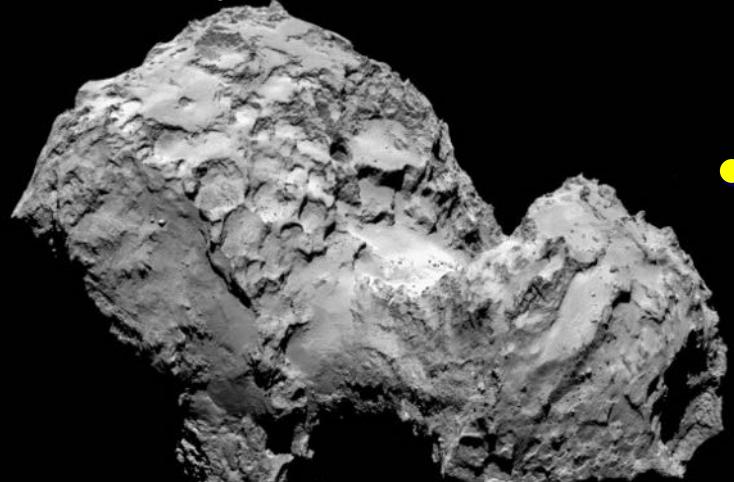
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- ★ Cometary dust best preserved the initial dust composition
  - ⇒ Data from spatial missions (Giotto/Vega, Stardust, Deep Impact, Rosetta)
  - ⇒ Data from CP-IDPs and UCAMMs

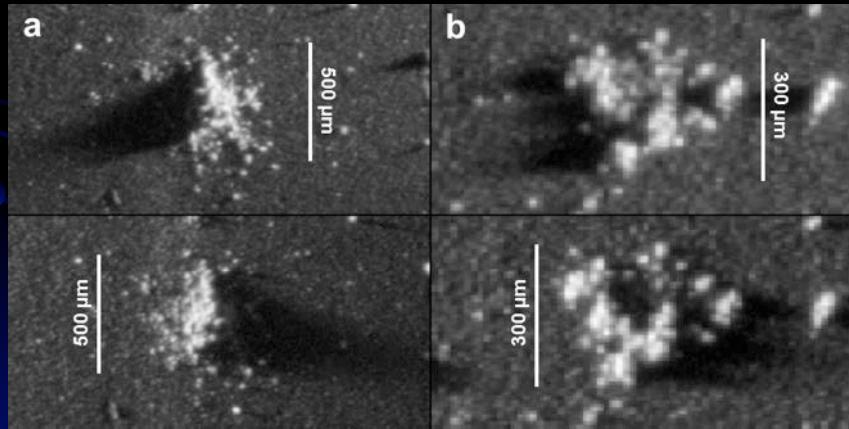
# Structure of cometary dust



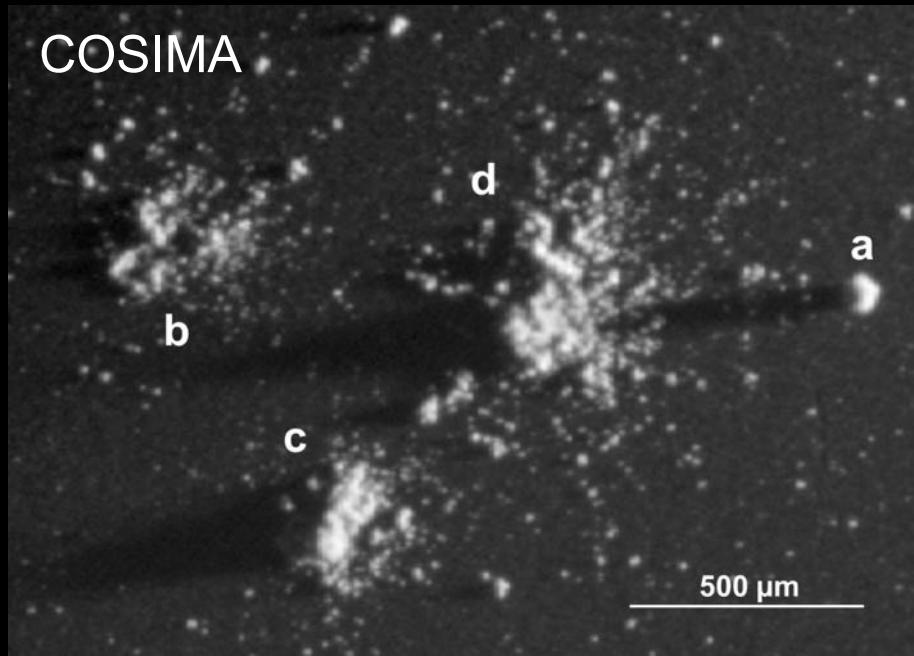
67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko



OSIRIS NAC Image Aug. 03, 2014

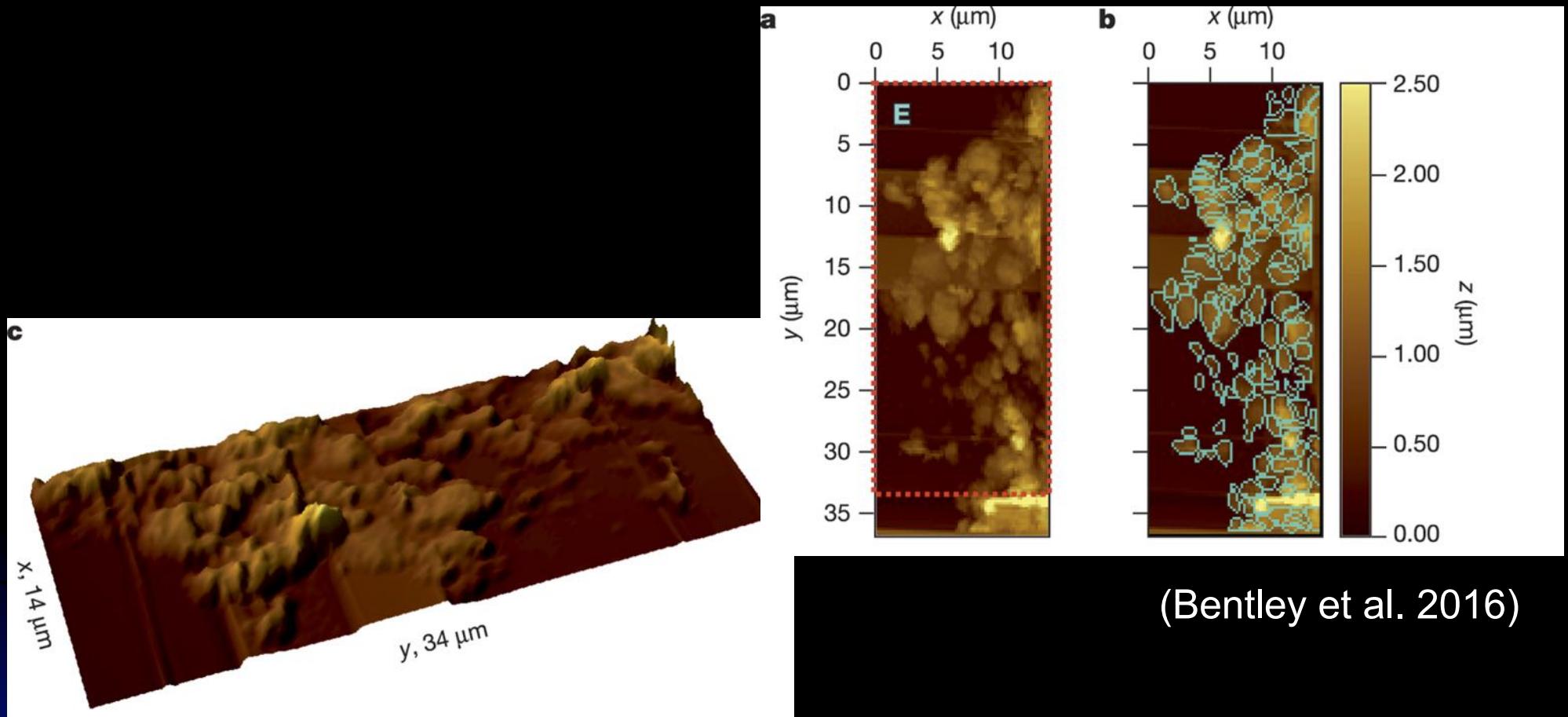


(Schulz et al. 2015)



(Langevin et al. 2016)

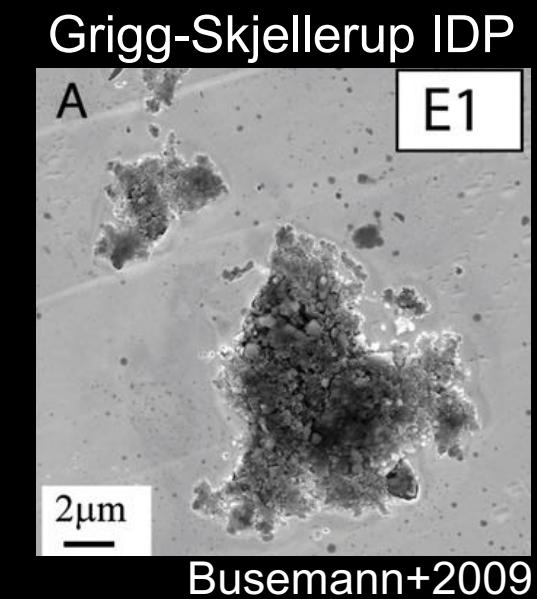
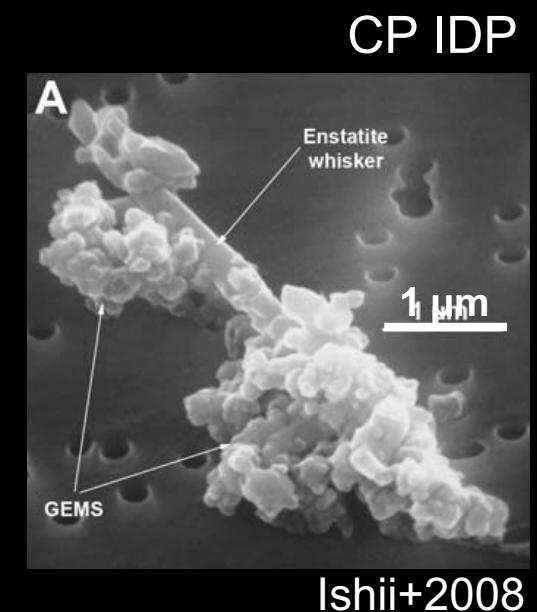
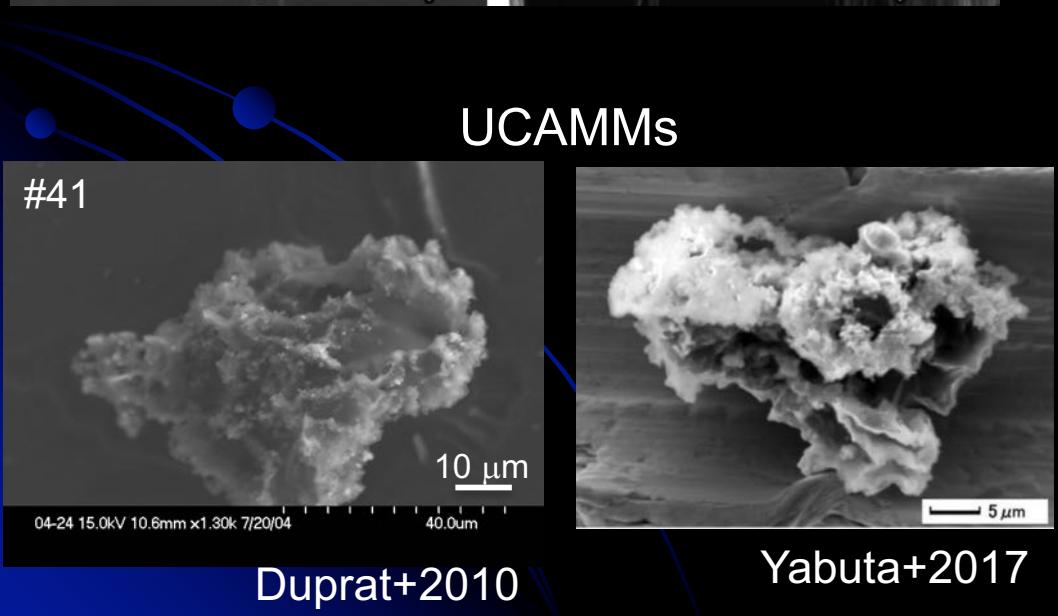
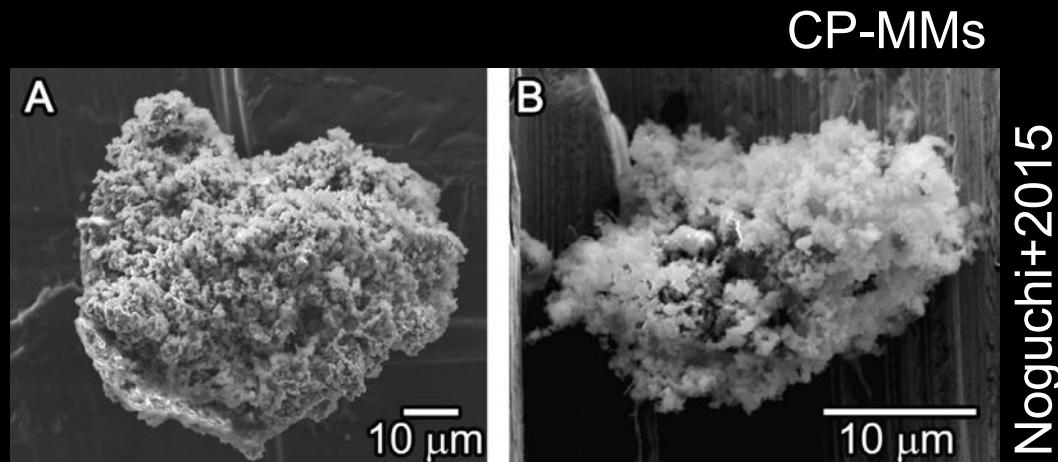
# Sub- $\mu\text{m}$ image of comet dust (MIDAS)



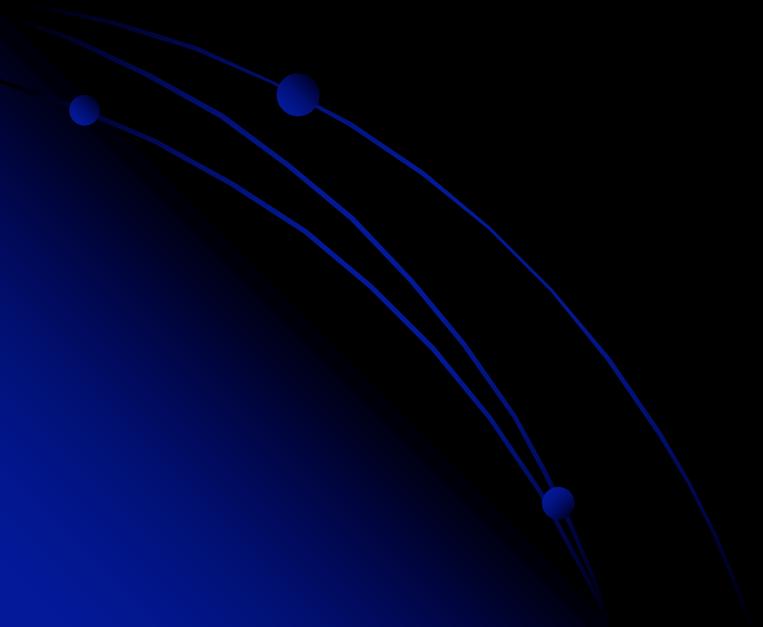
- Atomic force microscope
- Very fluffy textures

# CP-IDPs, CP-MMs and UCAMMs

- Cometary samples (?) collected on Earth
- Fluffy textures



# Bulk composition



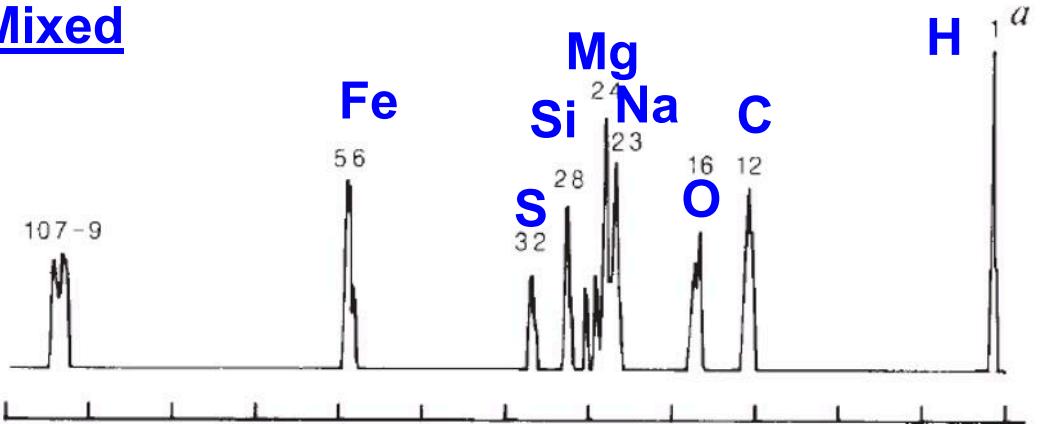
# First data : 1986!

Comet Halley



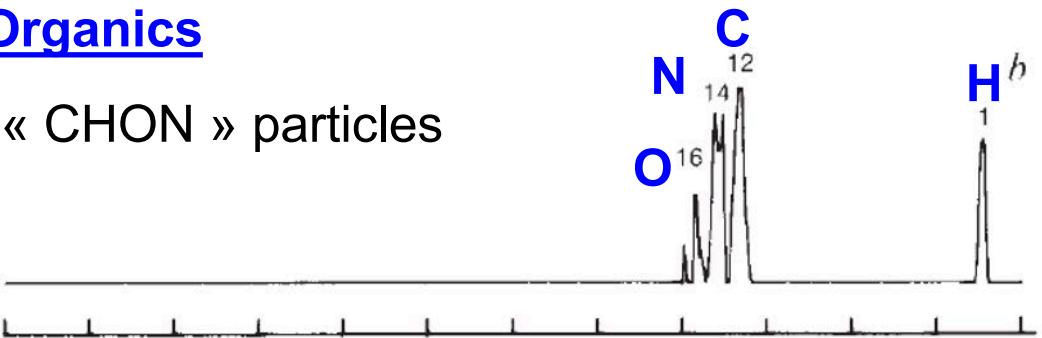
80% of  
the spectra

## Mixed

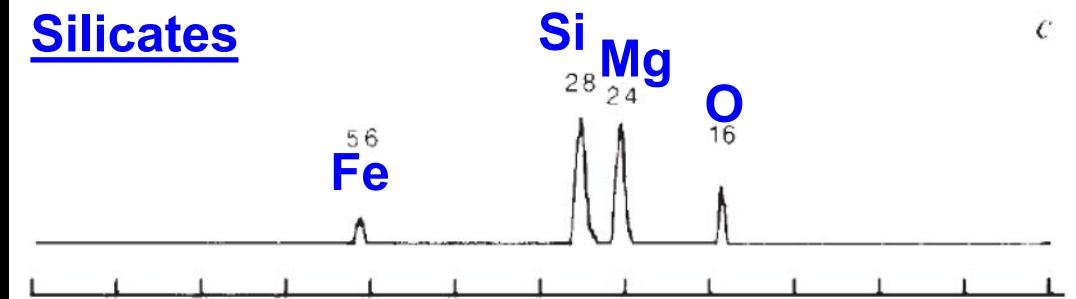


## Organics

« CHON » particles



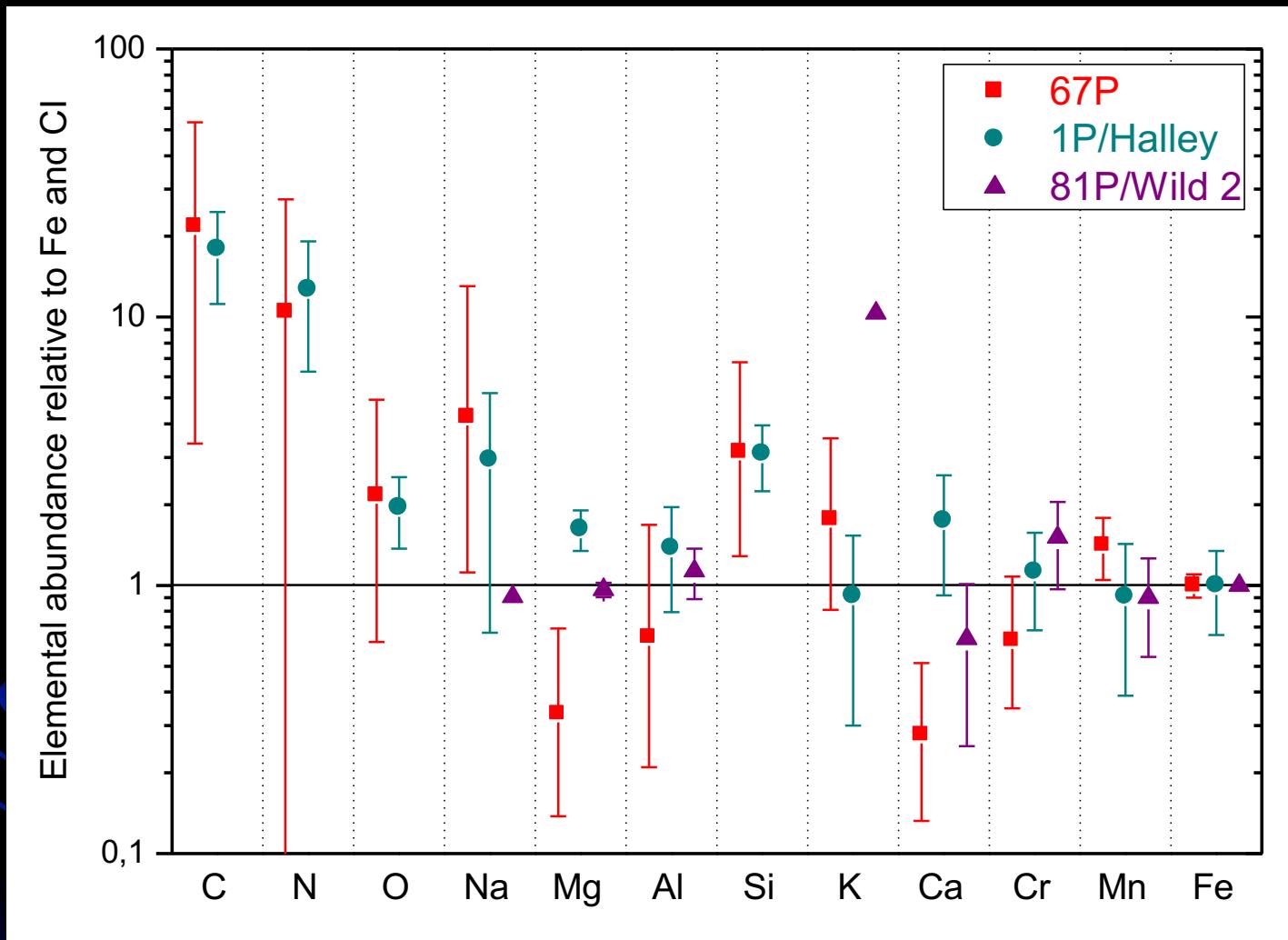
## Silicates



(PIA data)

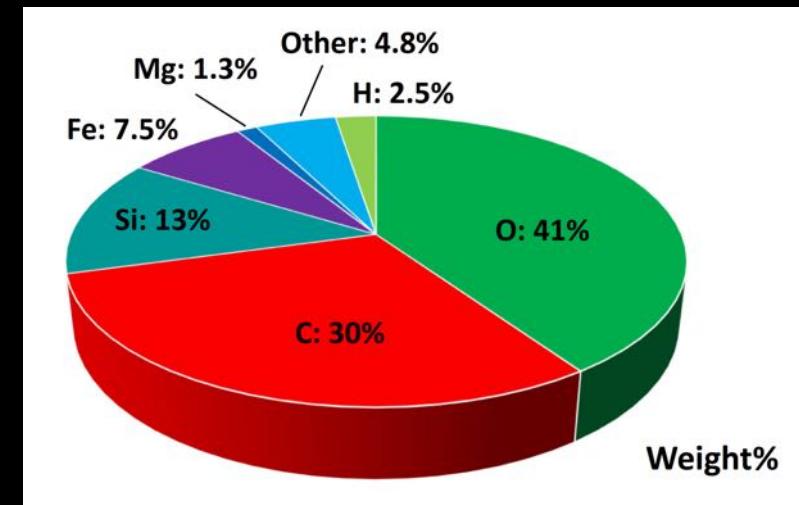
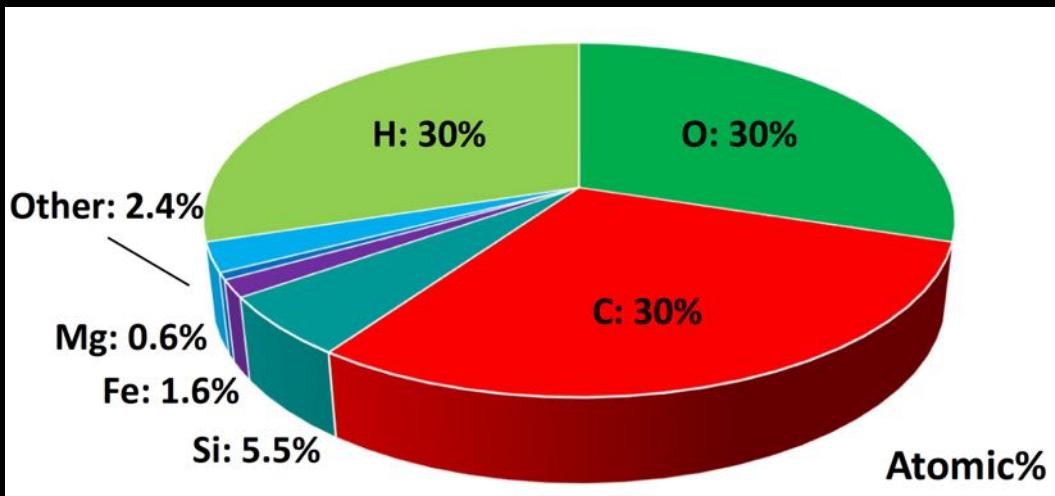
(Kissel et al. 1986)

# Composition of cometary dust (1P/Halley, 81P/Wild2, 67P/C-G)



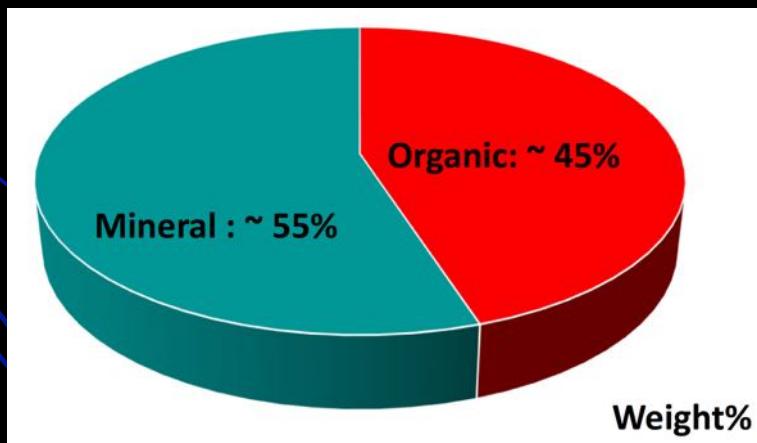
(Bardyn et al, MNRAS 2017)

# Composition of 67P dust (COSIMA)



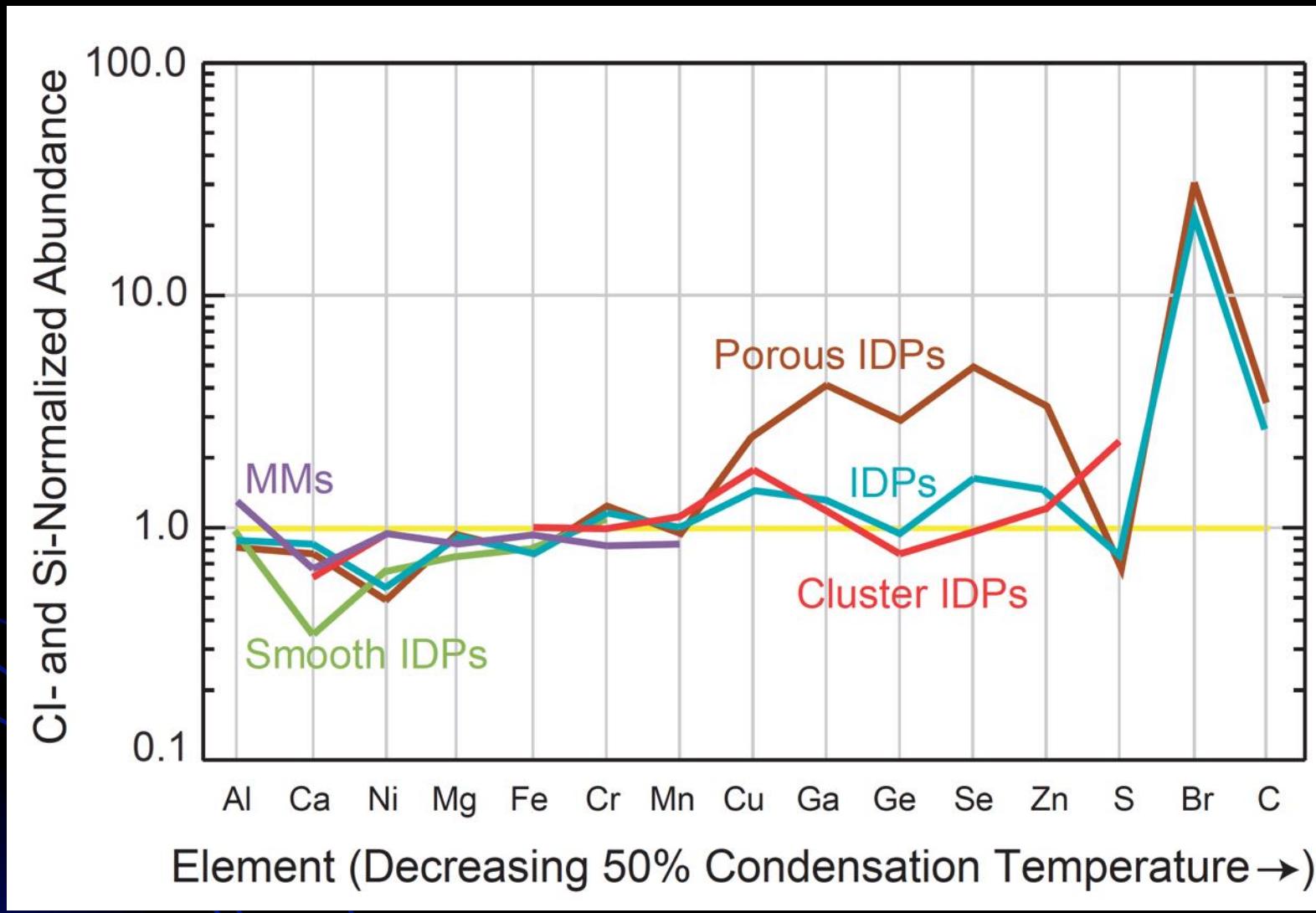
Assuming H/C = 1  
S, Ni, ... = Solar

(Bardyn et al. MNRAS 2017)



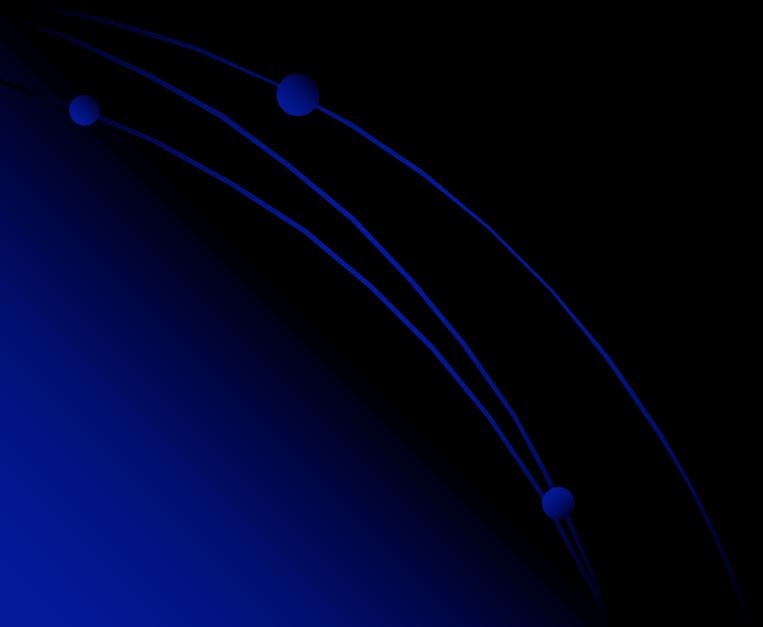
O Mineral as  $\text{SiO}_4$   
Rest of O in organics

# Composition of IDPs and MMs

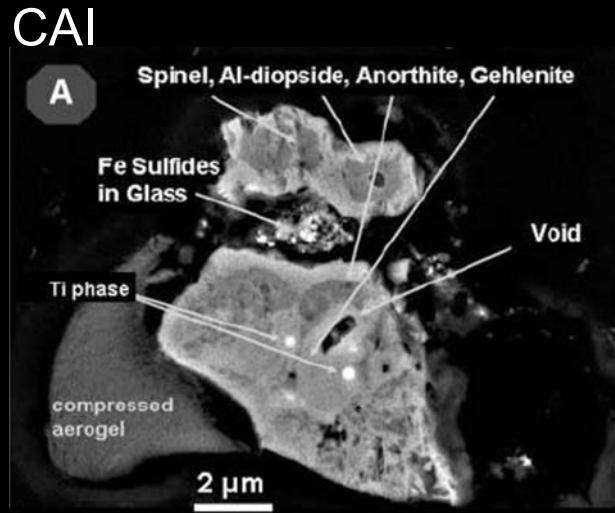


Flynn+2016

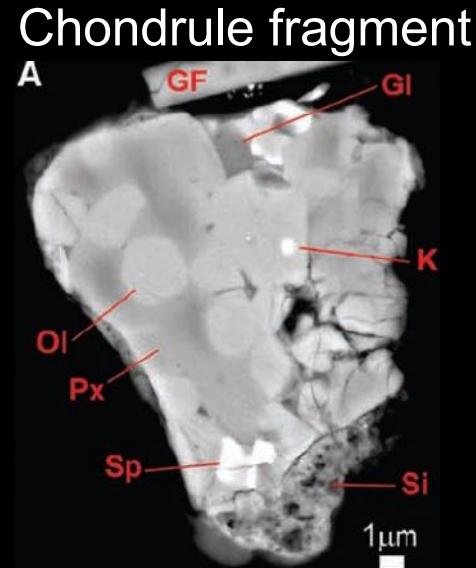
# **Composition: Mineralogy (crystalline and glassy phases)**



# CAIs and chondrules in Comet Wild 2



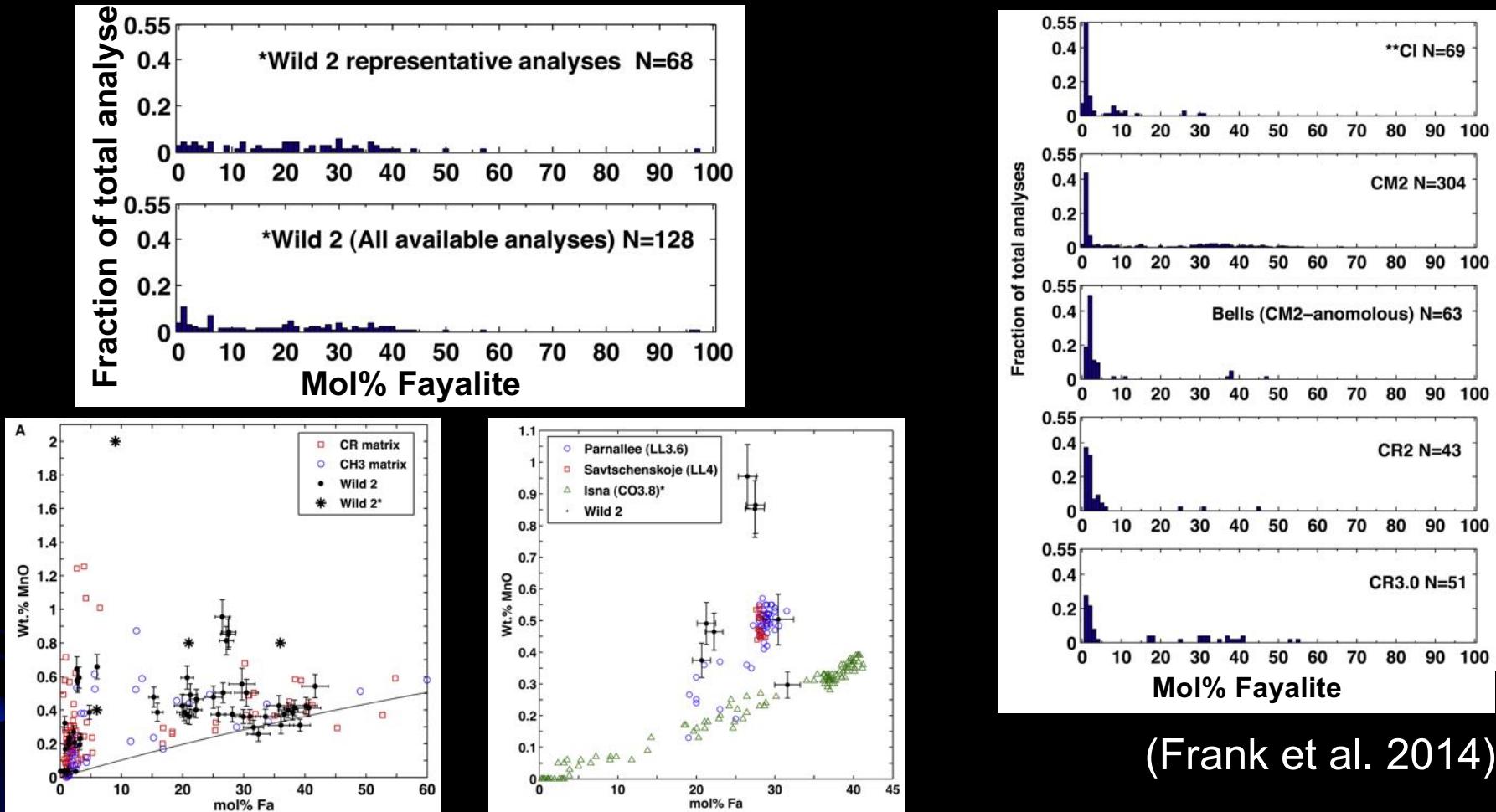
Zolensky+2006



Nakamura+2008

- CAIs (Ca-Al-rich inclusions): first mineral component in the solar nebula (abundance ~ 1% in CCs)
- Chondrules (formed ~ 2 Myr after CAIs): major component of all chondritic meteorites
- Crystalline minerals formed close to Sun
- Isotopic compositions close to that of meteorites
- Smaller sizes than in meteorites

# Olivines in Wild 2

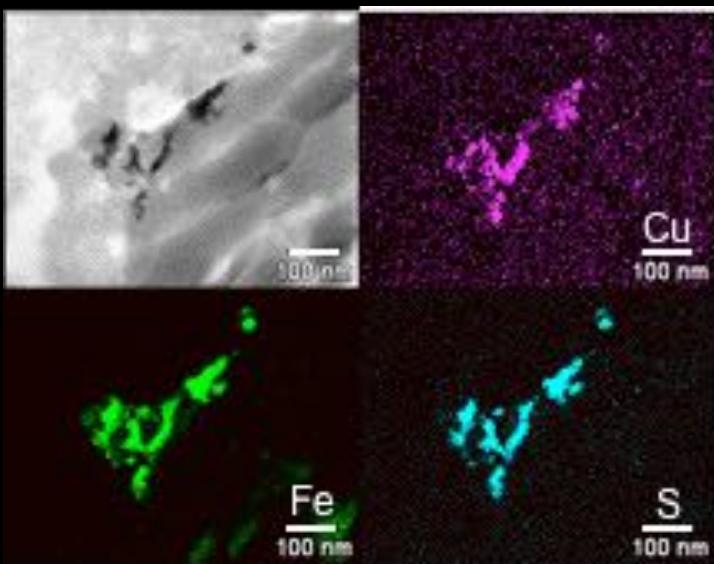


(Frank et al. 2014)

- Extraordinary diverse sampling (but not all chondrites are represented)
- Wide range of formation times/locations in the PPDisk : « mishmash of solar system nebular dust, dispersed asteroid components and products unique to the Kuiper belt processing »
- Late accretion? (also lack of  $^{26}\text{Al}$ )

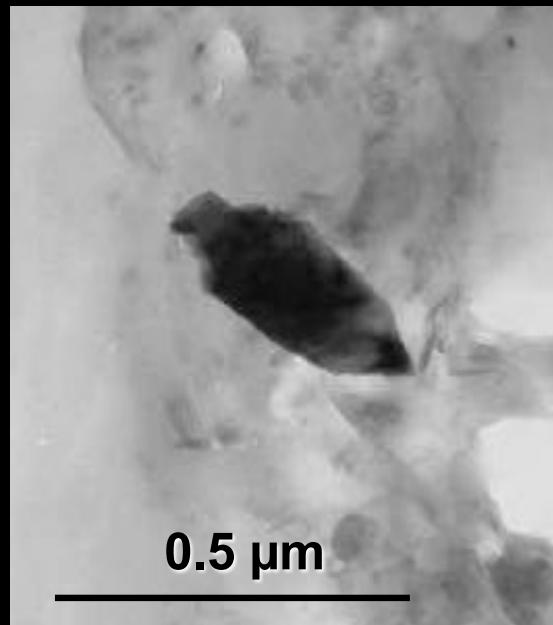
# Wild 2: Aqueous alteration?

Cubanite ( $\text{CuFe}_2\text{S}_3$ )



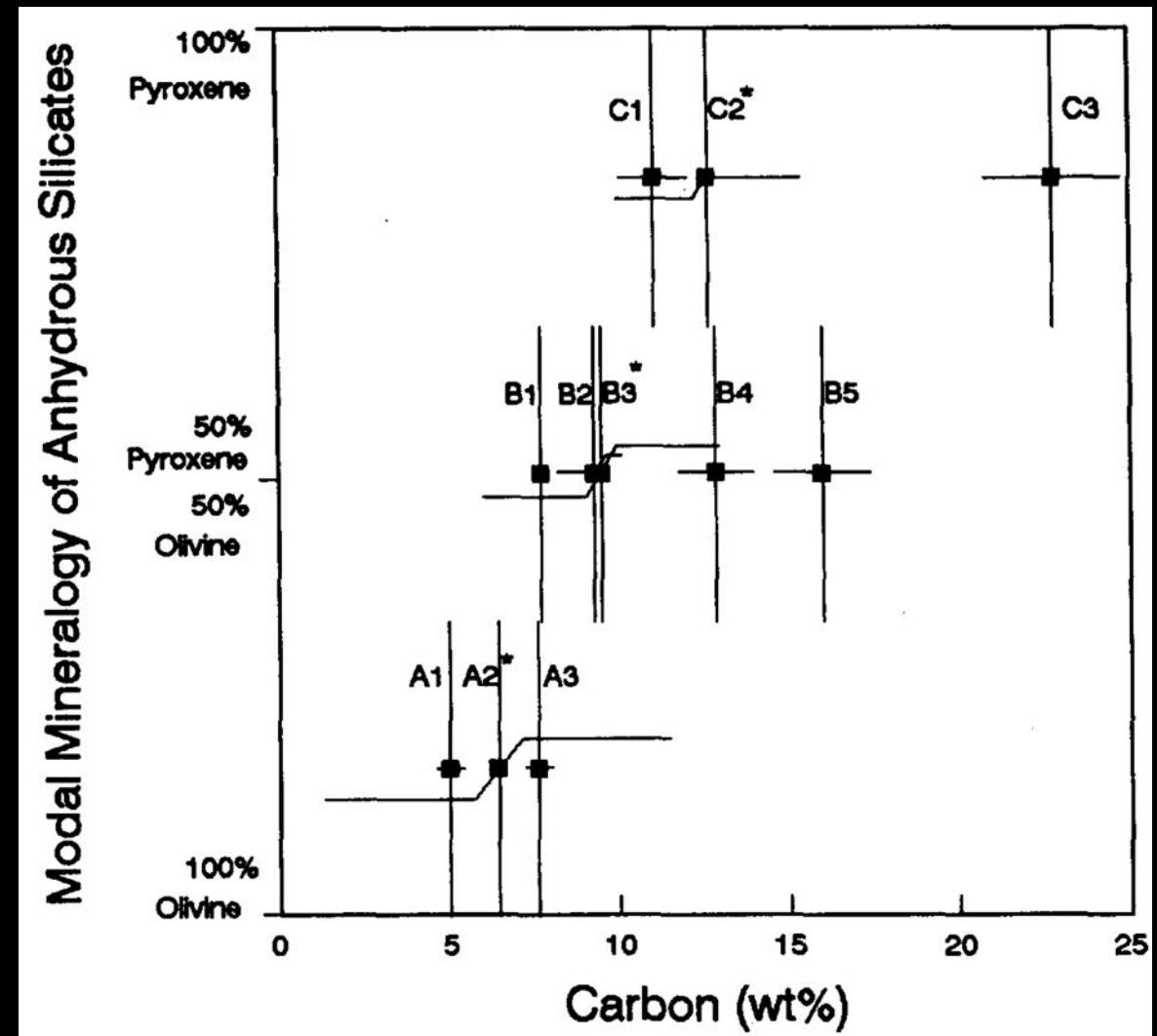
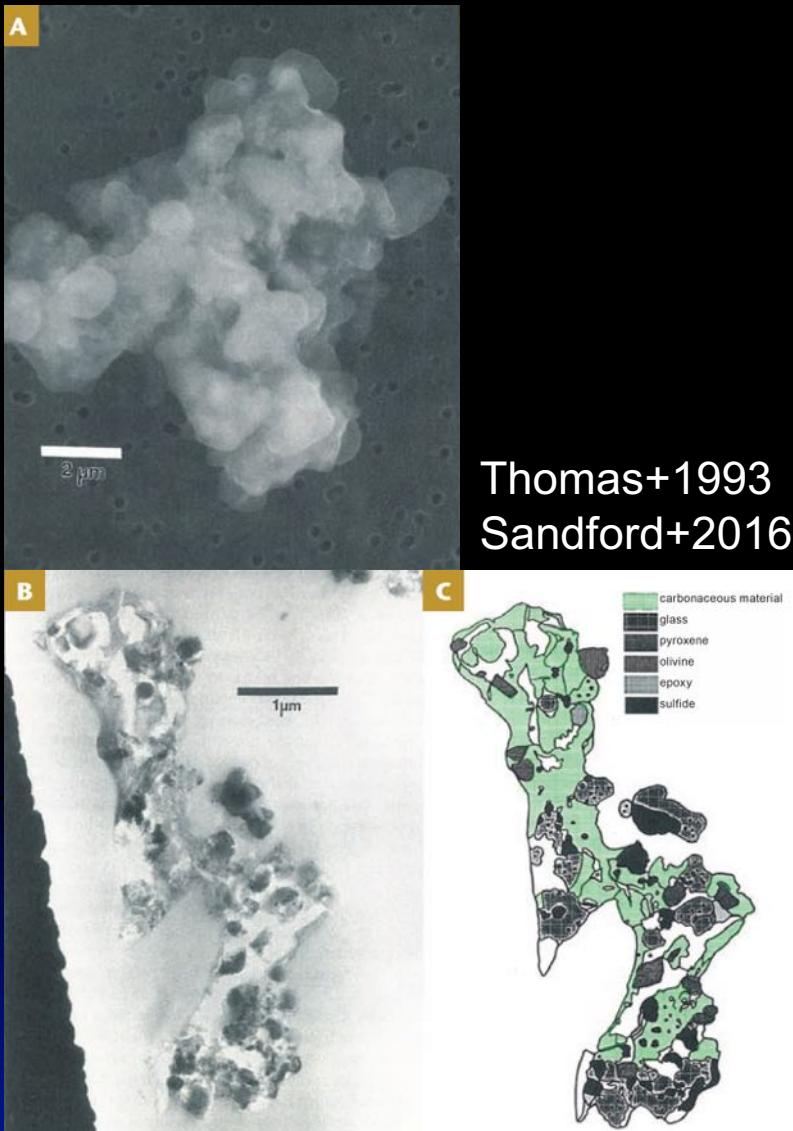
Berger+2011

Calcite ( $\text{CaCO}_3$ )



- Several occurrences of carbonates (Mikouchi+2007, Wirick+2007)
- Detection of indigenous phyllosilicates is tentative
- also Deep Impact – Comet Tempel 1 ~ 10% Phyllosilicates, 4% carbonates?...(debated...) (Lisse + 2006)

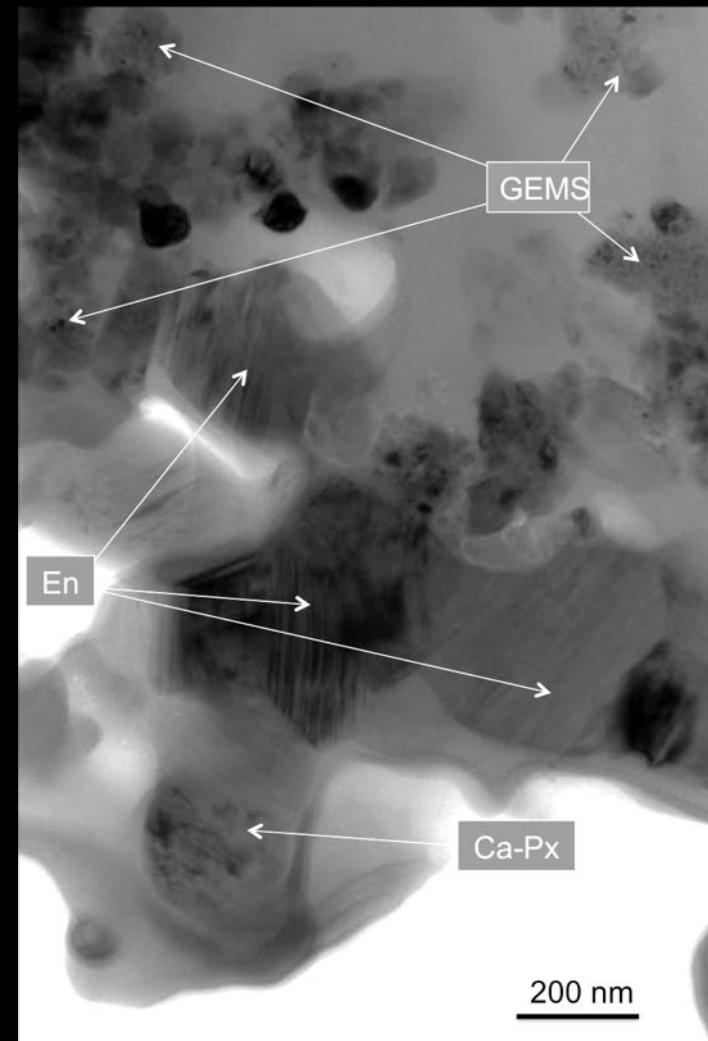
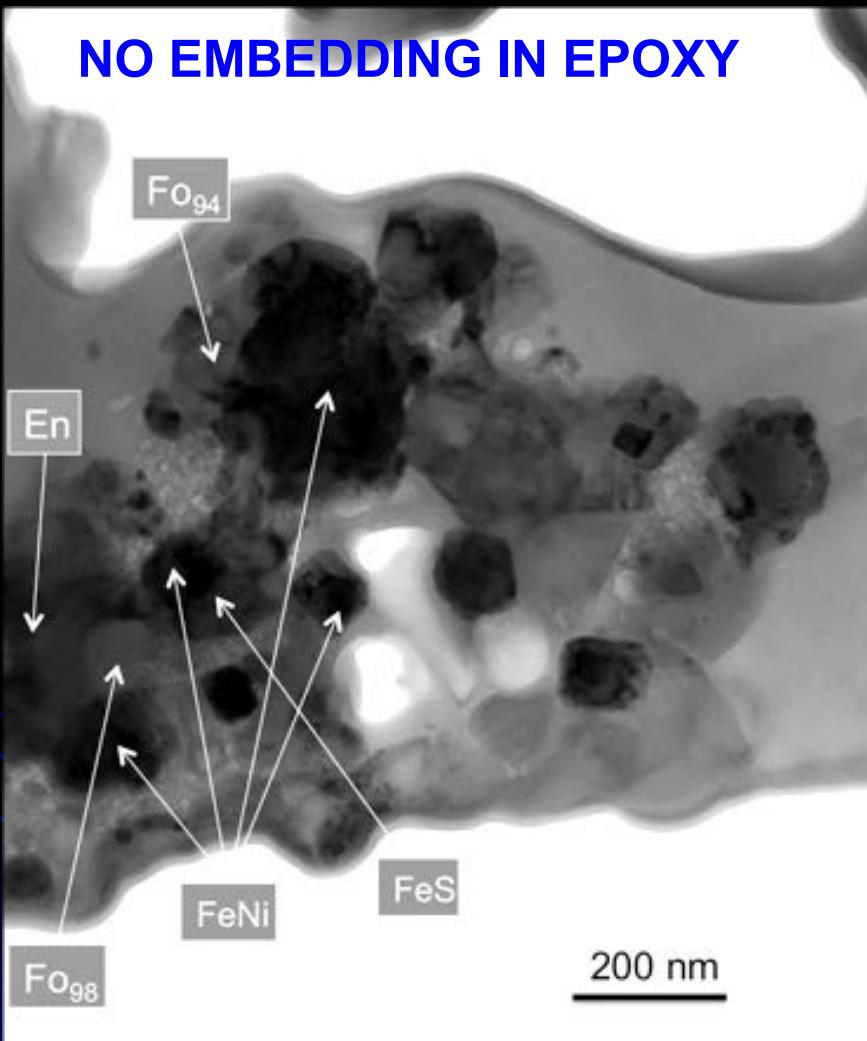
# CP-IDPs are C-rich & Px-dominated



Thomas+1993

- More Px wrto Ol in CP-IDPs compared to CCs
- Correlation with C content

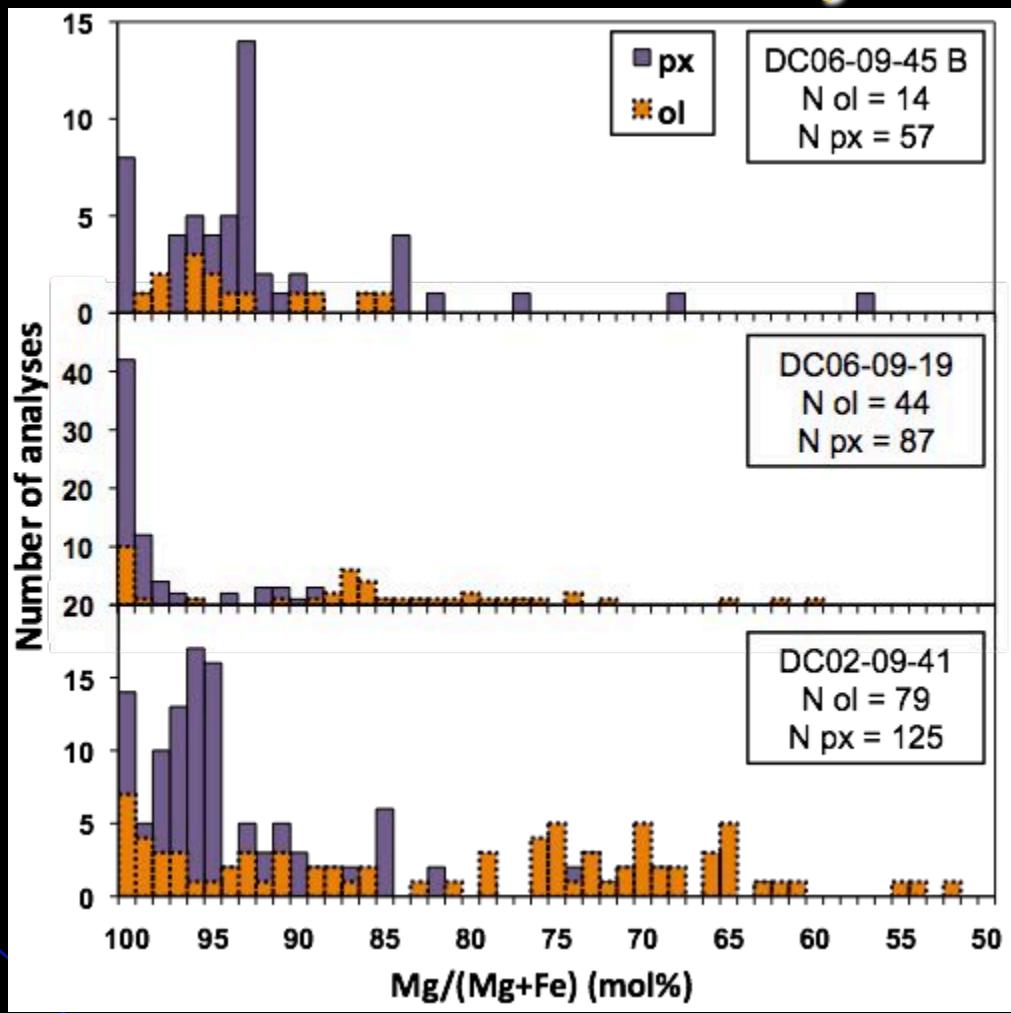
# UCAMM Mineralogy



Dobrica+2012, Engrand+2015, Charon+2018

- Major minerals : crystalline Mg-rich Px and OI, Fe-Ni sulfides, glassy phases (GEMS)

# UCAMM Olivines & Pyroxenes

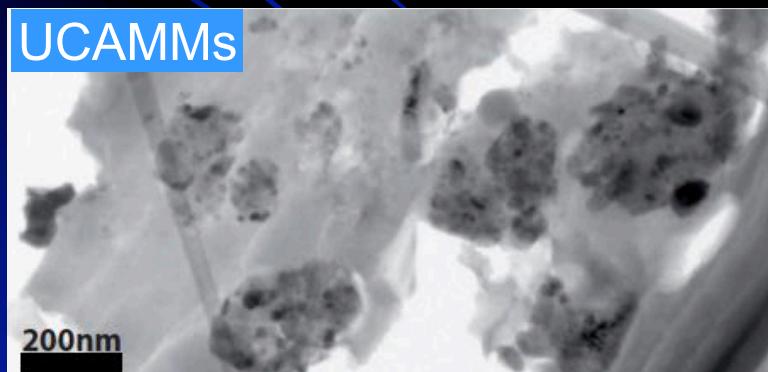


Dobrică+2012

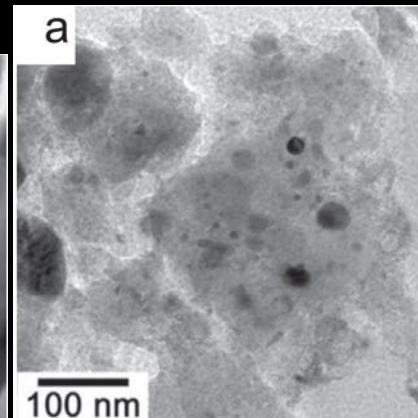
- High abundance of Px (Px/Ol from 2 to 5)
- Mostly Mg-rich composition but also Fe-rich
- Unequilibrated compositions

# Glassy phases

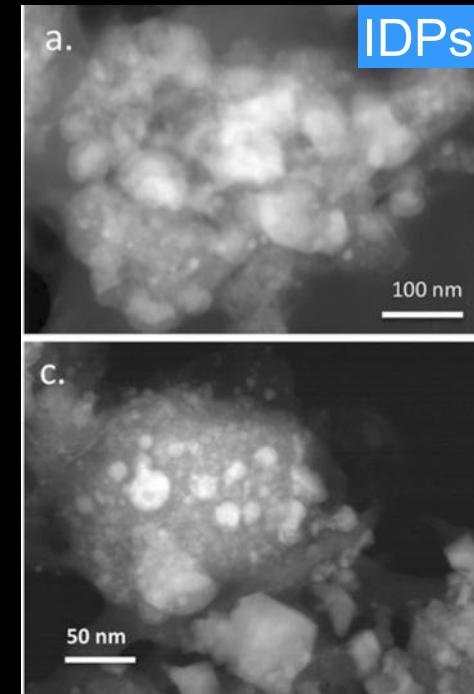
- Glassy silicates in ISM...
- GEMS: Glass with Embedded Metals and Sulfides (Bradley+1994)
- GEMS-like objects abundant in Stardust (indigenous or impact?)
- GEMS in IDPs
- GEMS in UCAMMs
- Presolar origin of GEMS? - debated



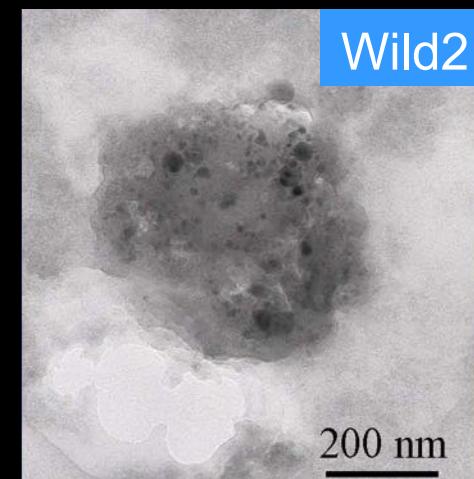
Dobrica+2012



Yabuta+2012

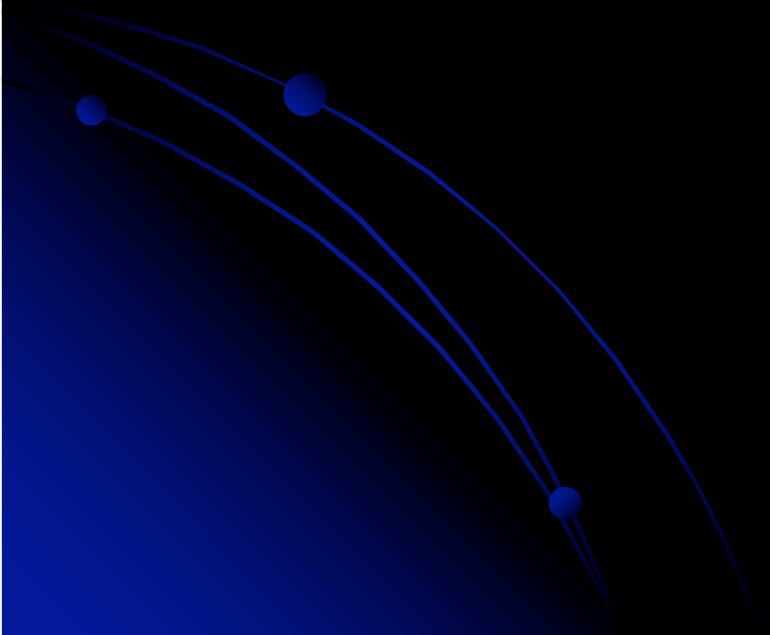


Bradley+1994 to Ishii+2018

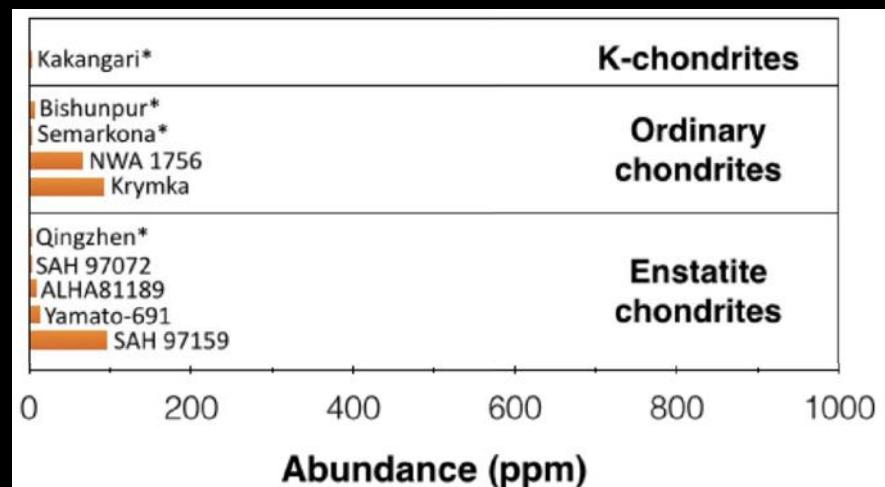
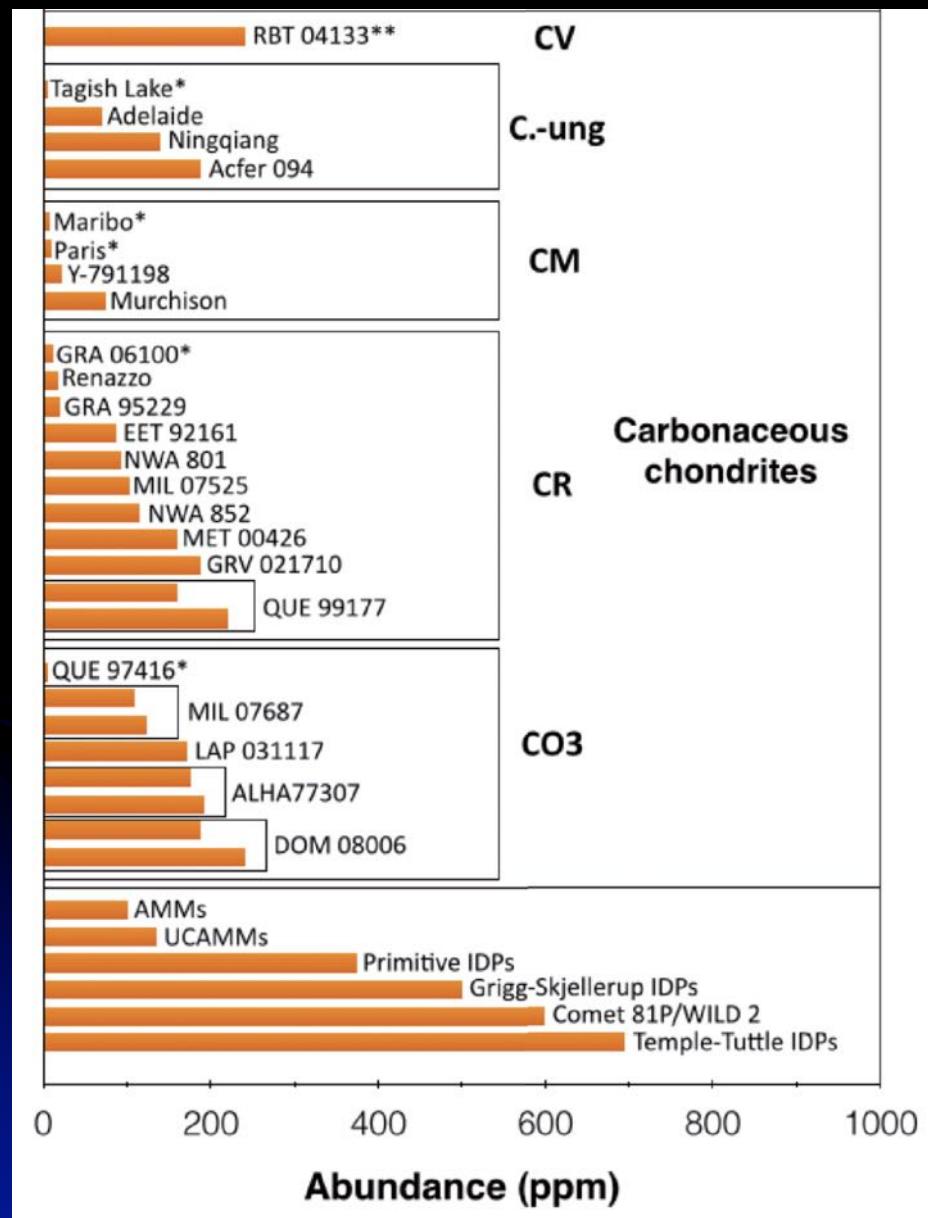


Leroux+2008

# Presolar grains



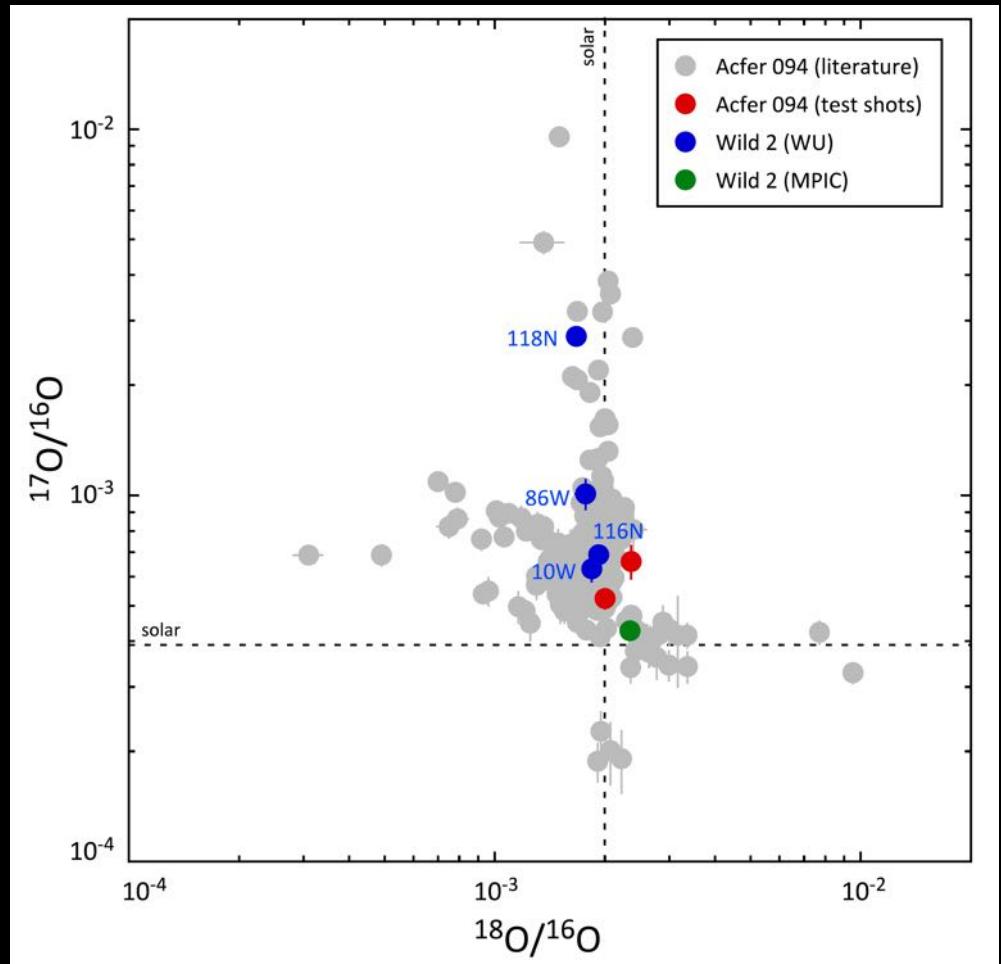
# Presolar grains in extraterrestrial matter



- Silicates are the most abundant presolar grains
- Abundance < 1%

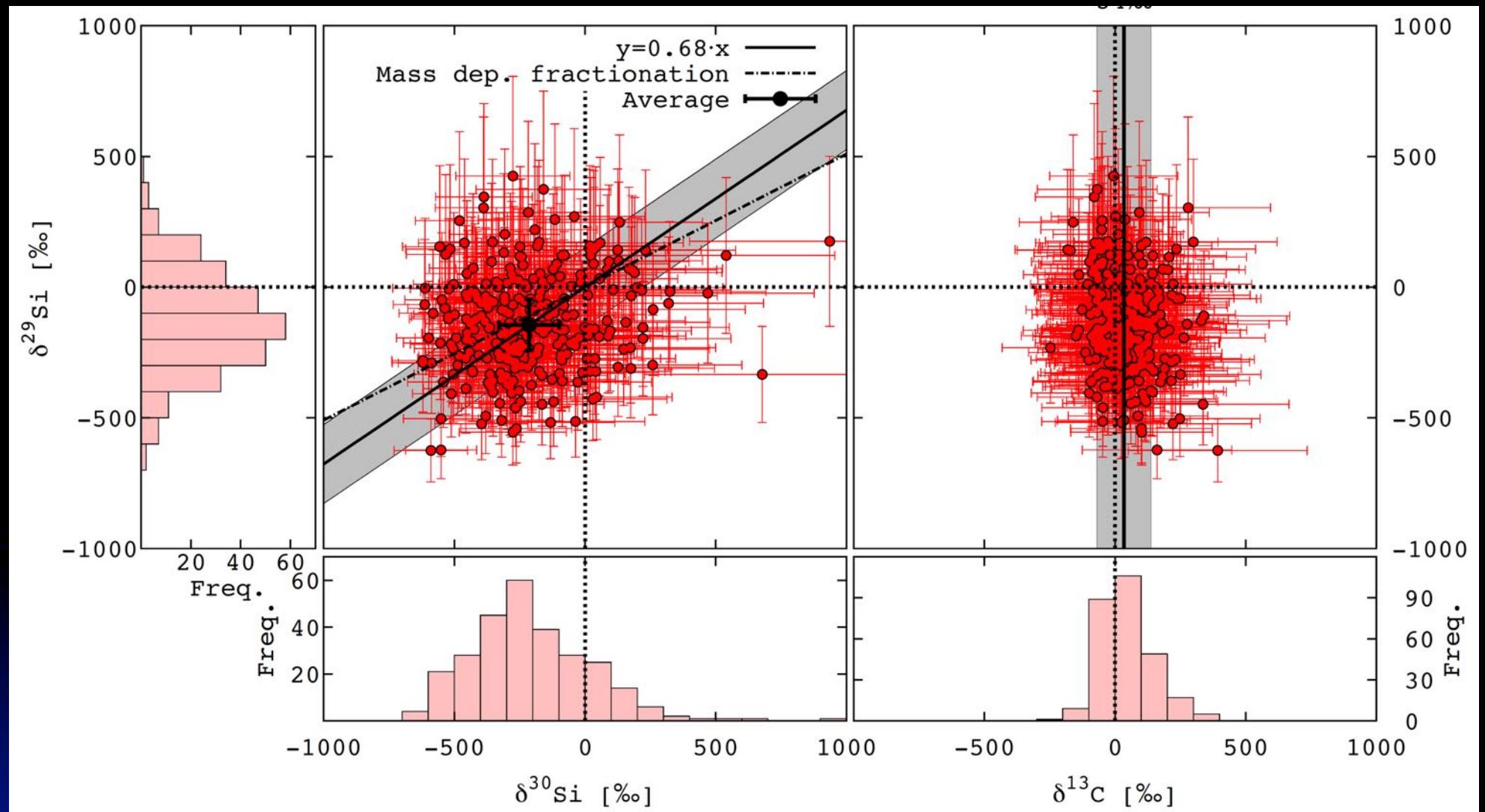
# Stardust Presolar grains

- Stardust mission (81P/Wild2)
- anomalous silicates or oxides
  - corrected abundance (destruction impact) = 600-830 ppm
- SiC : 45 ppm



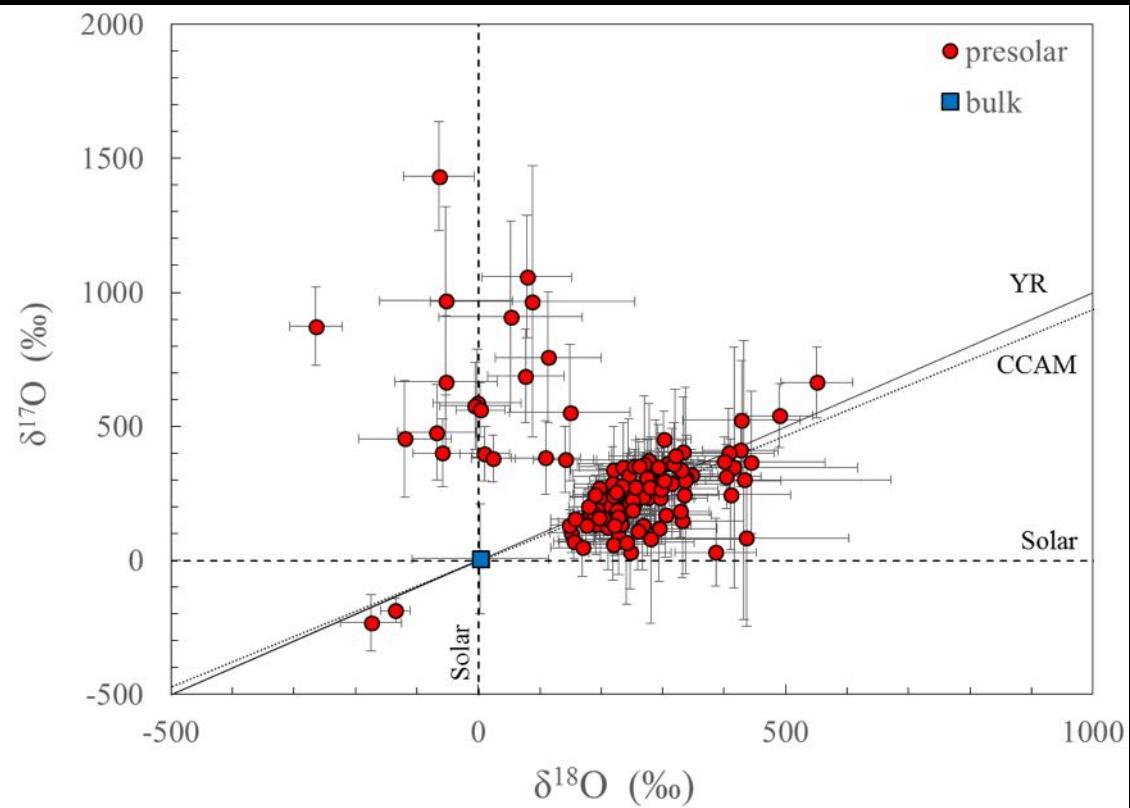
(Floss et al. ApJ 2013)

# Presolar grains in 67P?

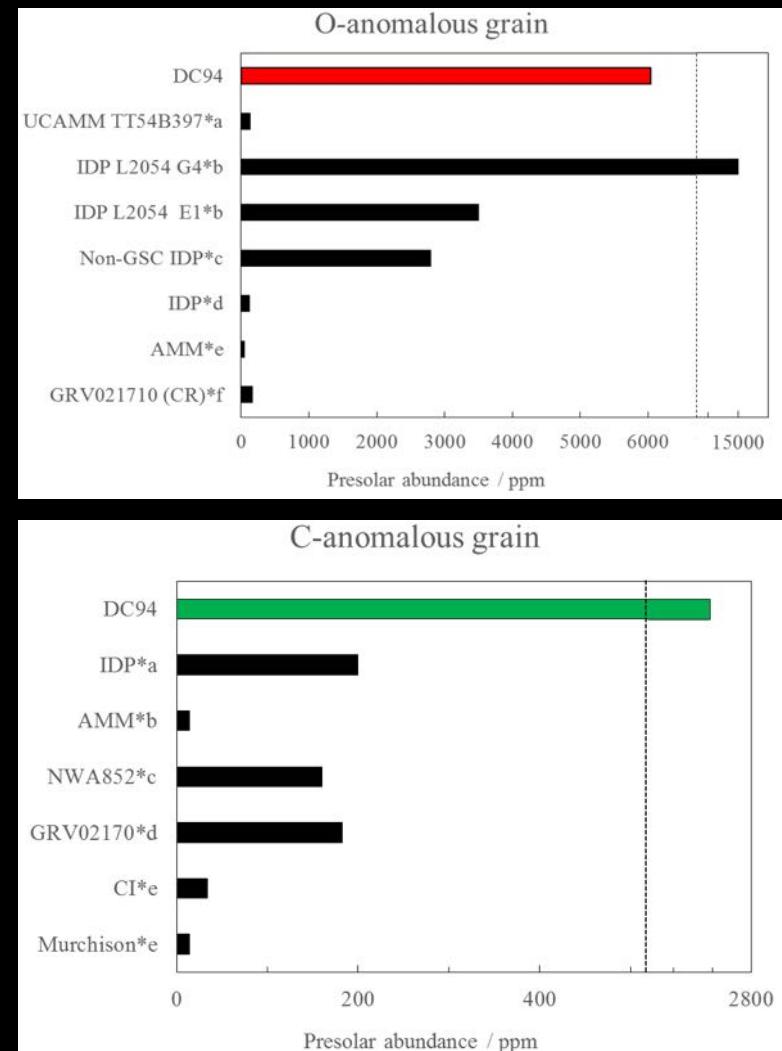


Rubin+2017

# Presolar grains in UCAMMs



(Rojas+ in prep)



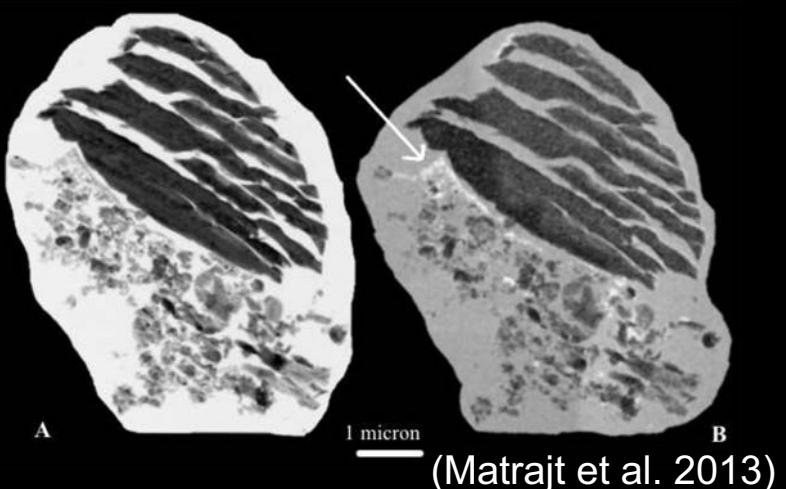
- « Large » abundance of presolar grains

# Composition of cometary dust : organic fractions

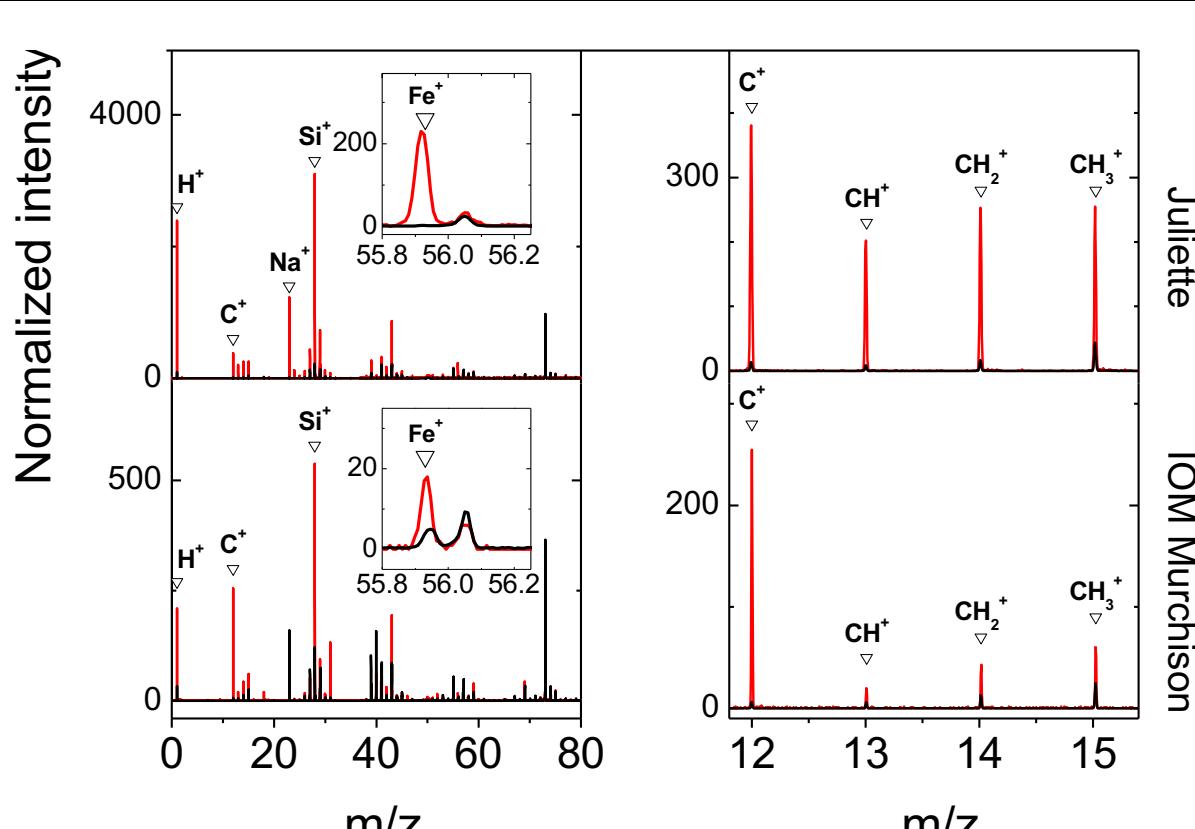


# Carbonaceous phases in Wild 2

- Glycine (Elsila et al. 2009)
- Low amounts of labile and refractory OM (Cody et al. 2008, De Gregorio et al. 2010 & 2017, Matrajt et al. 2013)
  - polycyclic C=O containing matter (similar to IOM in primitive meteorites and IDPs)
  - nanoglobules (also found in primitive meteorites and IDPs, with usually high  $^{15}\text{N}$  enrichments).
  - nanoscale FeC inclusions coated with Poorly Graphitized Carbon in Cr-rich magnetite -> nebular oxidation of metal in a  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ice-rich and C-rich environment?
- Causes for this low C-content?
  - hypervelocity impact
  - collection of low C matter?



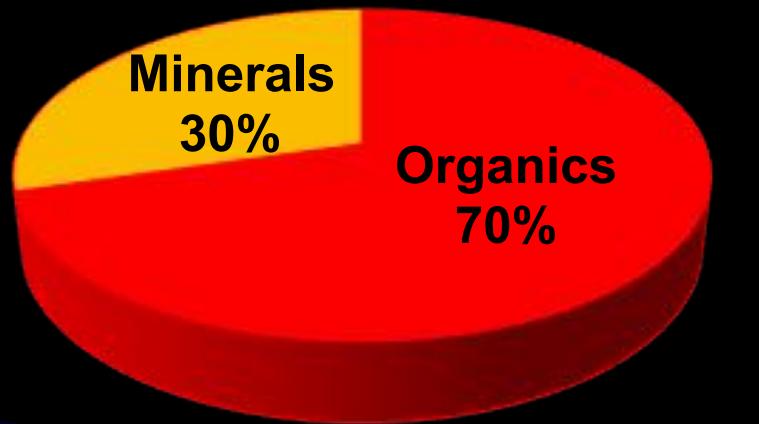
# 67P Cometary « Insoluble Organic Matter »



Solar photosphere: N/C = 0.3 ± 0.1  
UCAMMs: N/C = 0.1-0.2

- Best analogues:  
IOM extracted from CCs  
⇒ high-molecular-weight organic matter in the particles of 67P
- CHx<sup>+</sup> / C<sup>+</sup> ratio higher in 67P than in IOM samples  
⇒ H/C higher in 67P refractory organic matter than IOM?
- C/Si ~ 5.5 ± 1.3  
(Bardyn et al. 2017)
- N/C ~ 0.035 ± 0.011  
(Fray et al. 2017)

# Modal composition of 67P dust (COSIMA)

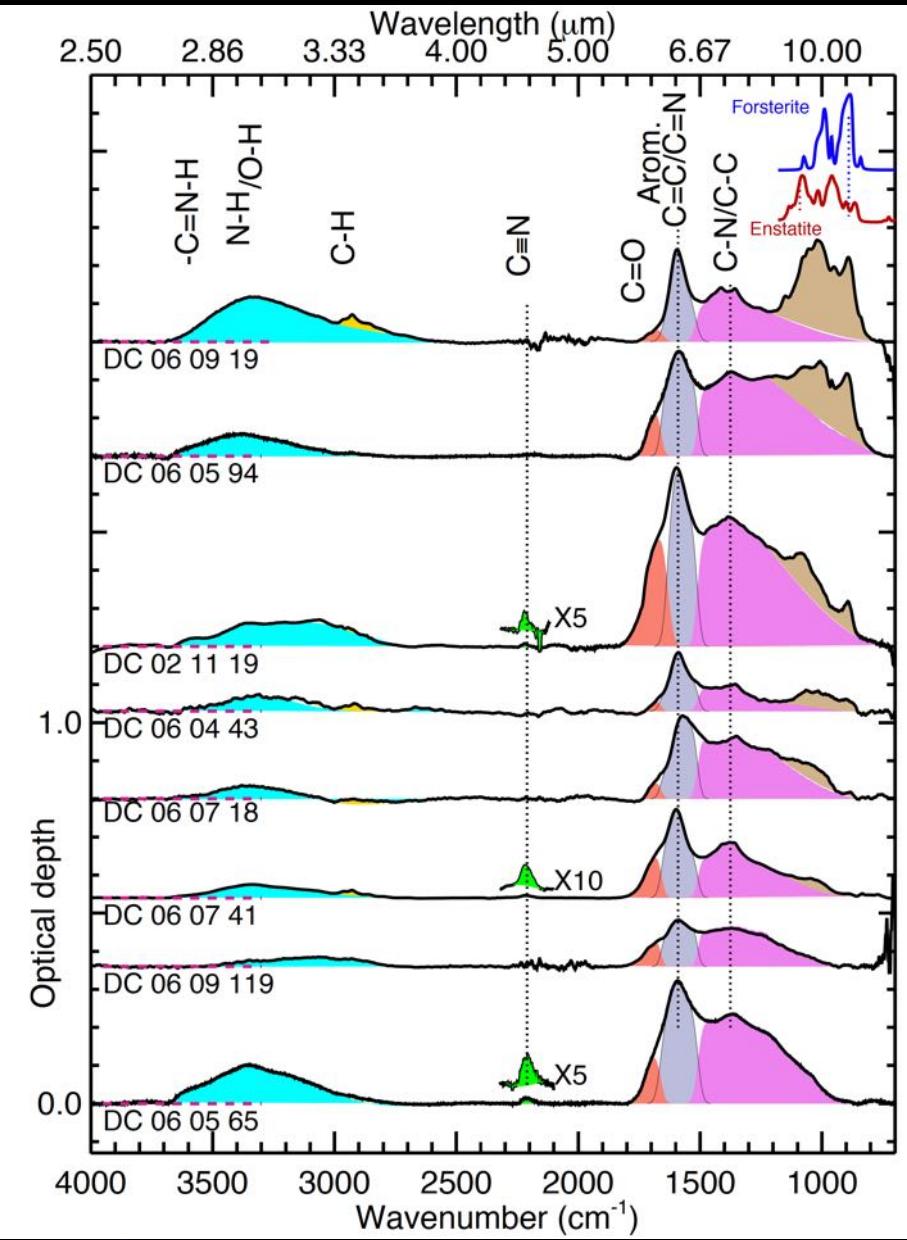


Abundance in volume

Assuming  $d_{\min}=3$  &  $d_{\text{org}}=1$

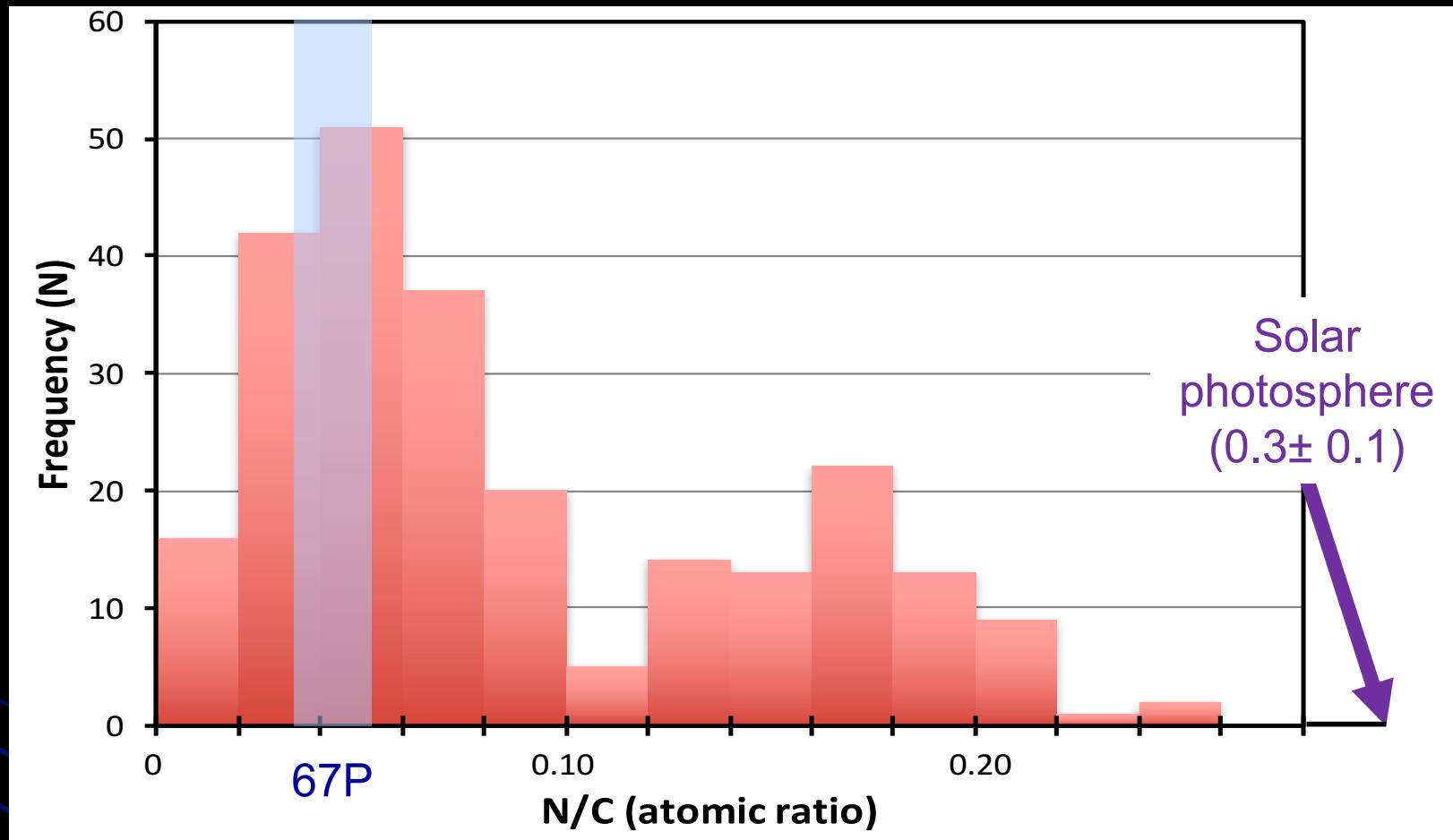
- GIADA: 52 %  $\pm$  8 % in volume of organic matter  
(Fulle et al. 2016)
- CONSERT: High carbon content of the nucleus  
(Herique et al. 2016)

# N-rich OM in UCAMMs



Dartois+2018

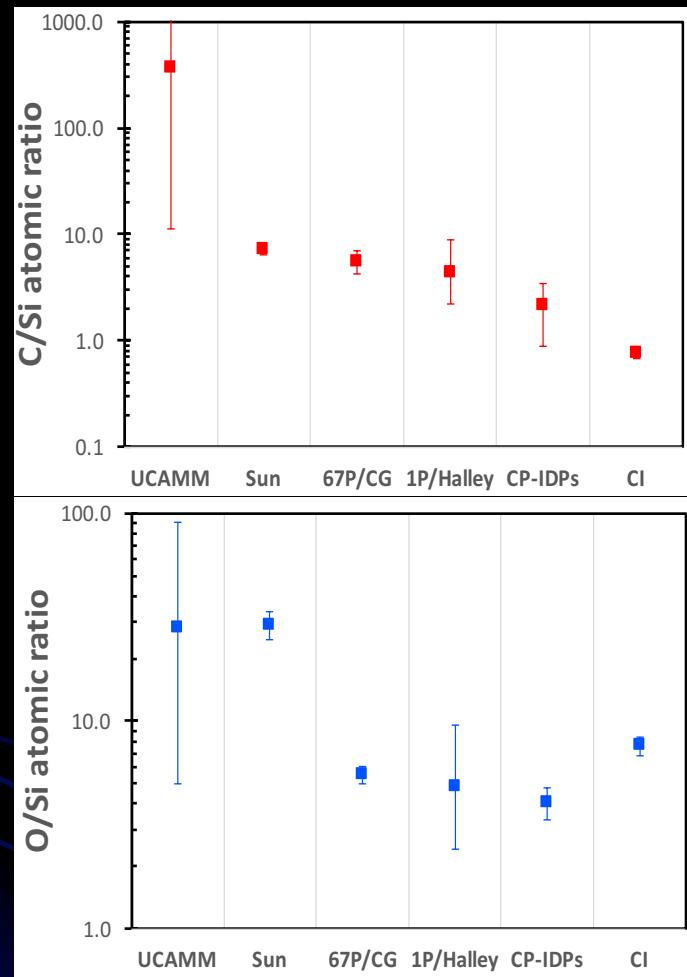
# N/C atomic ratios in UCAMMs



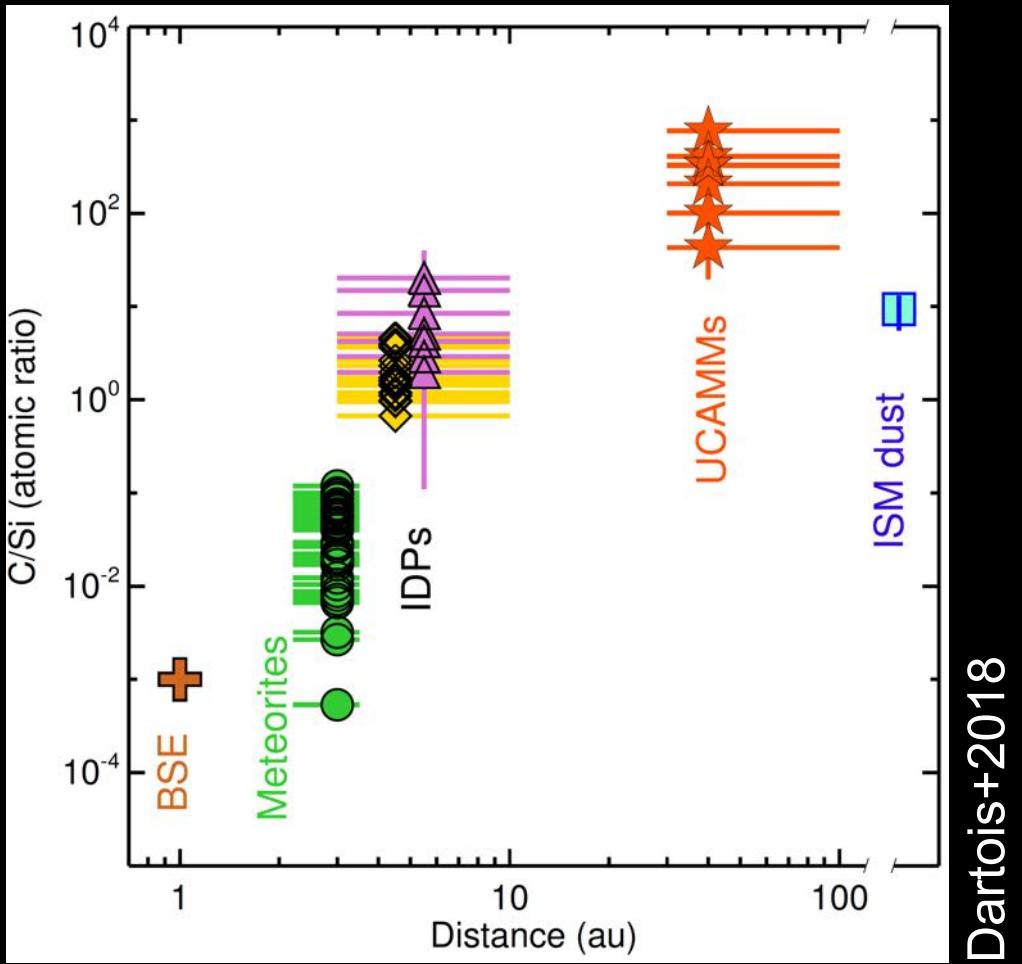
(Engrand et al. LPSC 2018)

- At least 2 organic phases, with different N contents

# C/Si and O/Si of UCAMMs in context



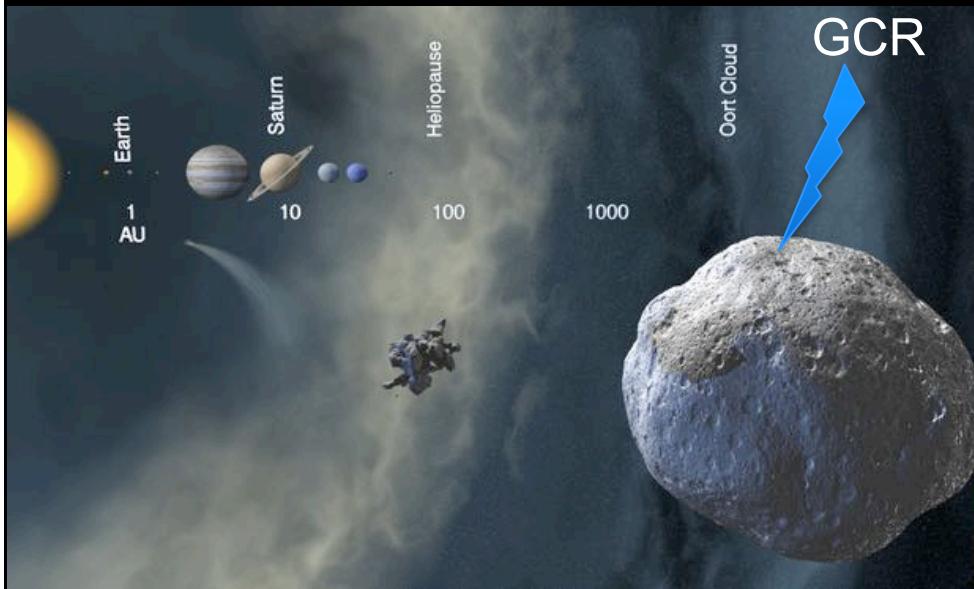
Engrand+2018 LPSC



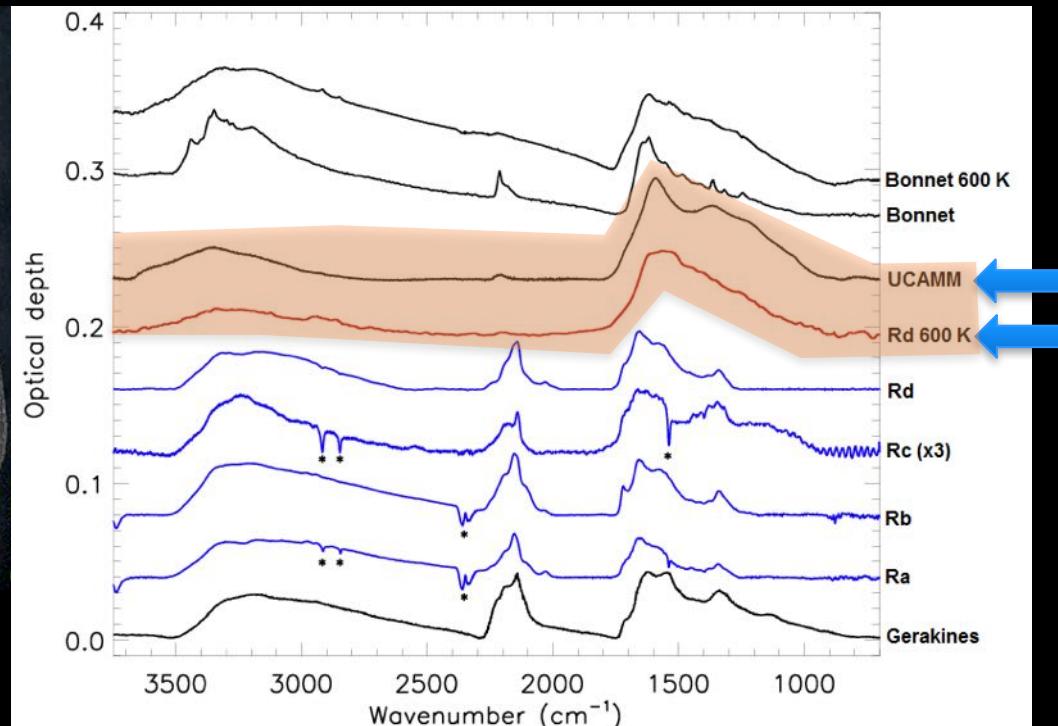
Dartois+2018

- C/Si > ISM value : not a presolar (« ISM ») heritage for the organic matter – local process
- ~ Solar O/Si (O mostly in minerals) -> from the solar system

# Formation of N-rich OM by irradiation?



(Dartois, et al. 2013)



(Augé et al. A&A 2016)

- UCAMMs : material from **beyond the nitrogen snow-line**
- **Formation of N-rich OM by GCR irradiation** at surface of a Kuiper belt or Oort cloud icy objet ? (Dartois+2013, 2018)
- Or: formation by **UV photolysis** of ices with simulated interstellar/precometary compositions (Yabuta+2017)

# Summary: Formation of cometary dust, connection to ISM ?

## Minerals

- Wide variety of mineral phases from the inner solar system, transport to outer regions (OI & Px IR spectroscopy, 81P, 67P, cosmic dust)
  - Incomplete mixing from the inside out. OK with models (Shu et al. 1997, Bockelée-Morvan et al. 2002, Ciesla 2007, Vinković 2009...).
  - Mineral sizes usually smaller – size sorting effect?
  - Mineralogical gradient in the PPdisk ? (Px/OI)
- $^{26}\text{Al}$  dead at time of comet mineral formation (> a few Myrs)
- Presolar heritage in comet dust at most % level (81P, 67P Si isotopes, G-S IDPs, UCAMMs,...)

# Summary: Formation of cometary dust, connection to ISM ?

## Organic Matter : from the « inner » and outer regions?

- Low T formation (high D/H)
- N-poor OM (81P, 67P, CP-IDPs, UCAMMs): Formation in the inner regions (?) and brought the outer regions (present in meteorites – and in 67P)
- N-rich OM (and low C=O) in UCAMMs: in situ formation in the outer regions by GCR irradiation of  $\text{N}_2\text{-CH}_4$  rich ices ?

## Ices

- Some evidence for ISM connection (Martin's talk)

## Future:

- Hayabusa 2 (soon!) sample return Ryugu 2020
- OSIRIS-REx Sample return Bennu 2023
- CAESAR (NF4) : 67P sample return? (2030s)