

## Astrochemistry to prebiotic chemistry

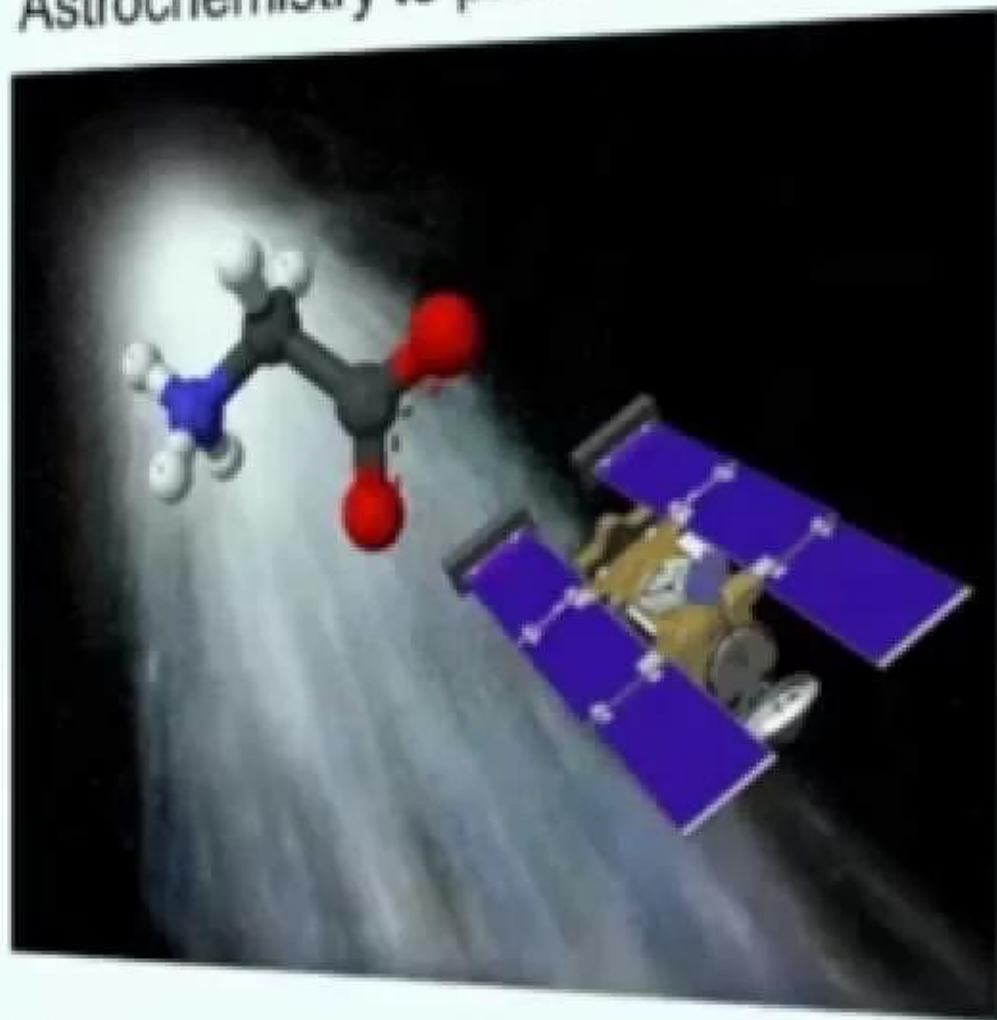


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00:00:10,289 --> 00:00:08,640  
all right Thank You Brett and thank you

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00:00:13,289 --> 00:00:10,299  
to the AB grad Con organizers this has

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00:00:14,730 --> 00:00:13,299  
been rfg was a lot of fun and I'm

4  
00:00:17,010 --> 00:00:14,740  
looking forward to the rest of AB grad

5  
00:00:19,440 --> 00:00:17,020  
con so I'd like to really talk to you

6  
00:00:21,600 --> 00:00:19,450  
about complex molecule formation and

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00:00:23,790 --> 00:00:21,610  
terahertz spectroscopy and really this

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00:00:25,830 --> 00:00:23,800  
is all about Astra chemistry so Brett

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00:00:27,060 --> 00:00:25,840  
gave a really great warm up talk so I

10  
00:00:28,800 --> 00:00:27,070  
think you guys actually have a lot of

11  
00:00:32,070 --> 00:00:28,810  
the basics actually he stoled a lot of

12  
00:00:33,720 --> 00:00:32,080  
my thunder so what I'm going to really

13  
00:00:36,930 --> 00:00:33,730

tell you about is the importance of

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00:00:39,450 --> 00:00:36,940

molecules really we think in how life

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00:00:40,950 --> 00:00:39,460

came to exist on this planet so we've

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00:00:43,290 --> 00:00:40,960

just heard a bit about protoplanetary

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00:00:45,750 --> 00:00:43,300

disks so this is a artists cartoon of

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00:00:48,060 --> 00:00:45,760

one when you go from say a

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00:00:49,529 --> 00:00:48,070

protoplanetary disc to a solar system we

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00:00:52,920 --> 00:00:49,539

understand pretty well the role that

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00:00:55,500 --> 00:00:52,930

molecules play but what was less clear

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00:00:57,060 --> 00:00:55,510

is if you have a solar system and a

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00:00:59,369 --> 00:00:57,070

solar system like ours we know we have

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00:01:00,840 --> 00:00:59,379

life right so really one of the

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00:01:03,479 --> 00:01:00,850

important questions in Astro chemistry

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00:01:06,600 --> 00:01:03,489

is how do you go from a solar system to

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00:01:09,480 --> 00:01:06,610

a solar system with life and really

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00:01:11,609 --> 00:01:09,490

we're encouraged that we can learn

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00:01:14,010 --> 00:01:11,619

something from the chemistry of space

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00:01:15,660 --> 00:01:14,020

that will tell us about life on say a

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00:01:18,330 --> 00:01:15,670

planet like Earth because of the

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00:01:21,150 --> 00:01:18,340

Stardust mission and when we you know we

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00:01:25,980 --> 00:01:21,160

know that now that we've seen glycine in

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00:01:28,760 --> 00:01:25,990

the cometary tail of the comet that

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00:01:31,589 --> 00:01:28,770

Stardust sampled and this gives us

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00:01:33,839 --> 00:01:31,599

really a thought that well okay complex

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00:01:35,490 --> 00:01:33,849

molecules are forming in space so maybe

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00:01:37,109 --> 00:01:35,500

one of the important ways that we

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00:01:38,880 --> 00:01:37,119

actually wind up with the precursors of

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00:01:42,359 --> 00:01:38,890

life the prebiotic species that we need

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00:01:43,859 --> 00:01:42,369

are some complex molecule formation in

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00:01:46,680 --> 00:01:43,869

space that is then subsequently

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00:01:48,630 --> 00:01:46,690

delivered to a planet and so if we

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00:01:50,520 --> 00:01:48,640

really want to then understand complex

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00:01:52,350 --> 00:01:50,530

chemistry in space the place that we

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00:01:55,770 --> 00:01:52,360

have to think about our icy death

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00:01:58,199 --> 00:01:55,780

screens if you remember something about

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00:02:00,870 --> 00:01:58,209

chemistry at some point you might have

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00:02:03,059 --> 00:02:00,880

or even physics to have three three

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00:02:05,699 --> 00:02:03,069

different species come together and all

51  
00:02:07,139 --> 00:02:05,709  
hit each other at the same time it's not

52  
00:02:08,760 --> 00:02:07,149  
a straightforward process and in the

53  
00:02:11,010 --> 00:02:08,770  
case of having them hitting each other

54  
00:02:13,949 --> 00:02:11,020  
and then react that's going to be a very

55  
00:02:15,810 --> 00:02:13,959  
rare event but if you have say a third

56  
00:02:16,920 --> 00:02:15,820  
body like a dust grain that's just

57  
00:02:18,720 --> 00:02:16,930  
floating around you can have some

58  
00:02:20,610 --> 00:02:18,730  
molecule come down and stick to its

59  
00:02:22,530 --> 00:02:20,620  
surface now it's there first

60  
00:02:24,660 --> 00:02:22,540  
amount of time if another molecule comes

61  
00:02:26,339 --> 00:02:24,670  
down it can diffuse around find it on

62  
00:02:30,690 --> 00:02:26,349  
this guy who is sitting there first and

63  
00:02:31,770 --> 00:02:30,700

react over the course of time you and by

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00:02:34,440 --> 00:02:31,780

time we're talking about millions of

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00:02:36,990 --> 00:02:34,450

years in you know a star-forming system

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00:02:38,910 --> 00:02:37,000

you can build up a layer of ice on the

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00:02:41,100 --> 00:02:38,920

surface of this dust grain and the

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00:02:43,190 --> 00:02:41,110

molecules that are on this surface will

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00:02:45,899 --> 00:02:43,200

affect the the subsequent chemistry and

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00:02:48,680 --> 00:02:45,909

this is really what we're thinking about

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00:02:51,420 --> 00:02:48,690

in our lab so we want to investigate

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00:02:53,369 --> 00:02:51,430

Isis and we're going to take we're not

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00:02:55,440 --> 00:02:53,379

going to try to actually say we are

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00:02:57,720 --> 00:02:55,450

gonna make what's in space no we're

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00:03:00,330 --> 00:02:57,730

gonna go simpler we're going to try and

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00:03:02,729 --> 00:03:00,340

look at simple things and slowly build

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00:03:05,009 --> 00:03:02,739

up into a bigger and bigger picture so

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00:03:06,839 --> 00:03:05,019

that we can understand and try to

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00:03:09,300 --> 00:03:06,849

disentangle the complex picture that's

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00:03:12,059 --> 00:03:09,310

happening in space from laboratory

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00:03:13,259 --> 00:03:12,069

experiments and again this is important

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00:03:15,030 --> 00:03:13,269

because if you want to make anything

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00:03:17,610 --> 00:03:15,040

more complicated than as Brett was

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00:03:19,020 --> 00:03:17,620

saying methyl formate or methanol there

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00:03:20,640 --> 00:03:19,030

is no way that you can do this in the

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00:03:22,619 --> 00:03:20,650

gas phase so we really need to look at

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00:03:24,210 --> 00:03:22,629

Isis so in order for me to take you

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00:03:26,039 --> 00:03:24,220

there I do have to take you through a

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00:03:28,800 --> 00:03:26,049

quick diversion to the electromagnetic

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00:03:30,720 --> 00:03:28,810

spectrum and the region that I'm gonna

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00:03:32,460 --> 00:03:30,730

be focusing on here is what I call the

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00:03:35,670 --> 00:03:32,470

terahertz region or it's often known as

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00:03:37,289 --> 00:03:35,680

the far infrared and the reason is the

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00:03:39,539 --> 00:03:37,299

far infrared is because you come down

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00:03:41,550 --> 00:03:39,549

from the visible and the near IR mid IR

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00:03:44,490 --> 00:03:41,560

you hit the far infrared and it's a

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00:03:47,190 --> 00:03:44,500

region that really corresponds to low

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00:03:49,470 --> 00:03:47,200

energy vibrations and solids long range

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00:03:51,689 --> 00:03:49,480

interactions you need lots of molecules

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00:03:55,409 --> 00:03:51,699

participating in in order to actually

101  
00:03:56,550 --> 00:03:55,419  
see these vibrational modes and it's

102  
00:03:58,470 --> 00:03:56,560  
kind of an interesting region because

103  
00:04:00,449 --> 00:03:58,480  
historically it's been a difficult place

104  
00:04:02,309 --> 00:04:00,459  
to actually make making detect photons

105  
00:04:03,689 --> 00:04:02,319  
and so we're excited to be working here

106  
00:04:05,849 --> 00:04:03,699  
because there's a lot of new stuff to

107  
00:04:07,259 --> 00:04:05,859  
learn the reason why it's important for

108  
00:04:09,119 --> 00:04:07,269  
a stroke a mystery however is that

109  
00:04:10,439 --> 00:04:09,129  
fundamentally there are things that we

110  
00:04:12,270 --> 00:04:10,449  
can learn from terahertz spectroscopy

111  
00:04:14,610 --> 00:04:12,280  
that we'll never be able to learn from

112  
00:04:17,279 --> 00:04:14,620  
the near infrared so if you take this

113  
00:04:19,020 --> 00:04:17,289

nice picture of an edge on disk as taken

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00:04:22,050 --> 00:04:19,030

by the Hubble Space Telescope you can

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00:04:23,310 --> 00:04:22,060

see in the middle here it's black and

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00:04:25,589 --> 00:04:23,320

that's because even though there is a

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00:04:27,810 --> 00:04:25,599

star at the center of this disk that's

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00:04:30,540 --> 00:04:27,820

giving off lots of light there's so much

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00:04:32,430 --> 00:04:30,550

material it's so dense through that

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00:04:34,409 --> 00:04:32,440

section that we don't see any light

121

00:04:37,830 --> 00:04:34,419

making it to our tell us

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00:04:39,780 --> 00:04:37,840

so if we actually have all this stuff

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00:04:41,340 --> 00:04:39,790

there and we want to learn something

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00:04:42,379 --> 00:04:41,350

about say maybe the colder part of the

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00:04:45,000 --> 00:04:42,389

disk

126

00:04:47,520 --> 00:04:45,010

we'd like there to be some thermal

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00:04:50,400 --> 00:04:47,530

excitation of molecules that would then

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00:04:52,770 --> 00:04:50,410

emit photons we can detect if we want to

129

00:04:54,420 --> 00:04:52,780

look at Isis those need to be cold

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00:04:56,370 --> 00:04:54,430

temperatures and if you just take a look

131

00:04:58,409 --> 00:04:56,380

at my math here at the bottom if we're

132

00:05:00,090 --> 00:04:58,419

looking or at somewhere in the mid

133

00:05:01,620 --> 00:05:00,100

infrared around you know a thousand wave

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00:05:03,870 --> 00:05:01,630

numbers in order to have thermal

135

00:05:05,550 --> 00:05:03,880

excitation and actually see emission

136

00:05:07,409 --> 00:05:05,560

from the outer region of the disk the

137

00:05:09,990 --> 00:05:07,419

disk would have to be around 1400 Kelvin

138

00:05:11,820 --> 00:05:10,000

there's not going to be any ice at 1400

139

00:05:13,740 --> 00:05:11,830

Kelvin so we have to go to the terahertz

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00:05:15,600 --> 00:05:13,750

and that's why there are things we can

141

00:05:19,740 --> 00:05:15,610

learn there that we can't learn anywhere

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00:05:21,570 --> 00:05:19,750

else so what do I actually do so I have

143

00:05:23,760 --> 00:05:21,580

a vacuum chamber in my laboratory and

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00:05:25,529 --> 00:05:23,770

inside I have a substrate and I can cool

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00:05:27,300 --> 00:05:25,539

that substrate all the way down to 10

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00:05:30,210 --> 00:05:27,310

Kelvin I can control the temperature

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00:05:32,700 --> 00:05:30,220

between 10 Kelvin at about 300 Kelvin

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00:05:34,379 --> 00:05:32,710

and I have this little pipe here that is

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00:05:37,230 --> 00:05:34,389

connected to a dosing line where I'd

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00:05:38,580 --> 00:05:37,240

have a cylinder or some sample of a

151

00:05:41,730 --> 00:05:38,590

liquid that I'll get in the gas phase

152

00:05:44,190 --> 00:05:41,740

and I can leak a few molecules into the

153

00:05:45,659 --> 00:05:44,200

chamber and those molecules will stick

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00:05:47,430 --> 00:05:45,669

to the cold surface they'll stick

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00:05:49,170 --> 00:05:47,440

everywhere but you know as long as they

156

00:05:51,450 --> 00:05:49,180

stick to the surface here which is

157

00:05:54,920 --> 00:05:51,460

actually a silicon substrate I can then

158

00:05:57,839 --> 00:05:54,930

take spectroscopy of them so so I have

159

00:05:59,159 --> 00:05:57,849

terahertz pall source that Brandon is

160

00:06:01,110 --> 00:05:59,169

actually gonna describe in a little more

161

00:06:03,000 --> 00:06:01,120

detail but it's pretty cool because we

162

00:06:05,939 --> 00:06:03,010

actually ionize the air in the

163

00:06:08,490 --> 00:06:05,949

laboratory and make plasma and that's

164

00:06:10,140 --> 00:06:08,500

actually our terahertz source and so the

165

00:06:11,870 --> 00:06:10,150

pulse comes in it interacts with the

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00:06:14,490 --> 00:06:11,880

sample it gets absorbed by the sample

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00:06:18,120 --> 00:06:14,500

sample room it's a pulse that then we

168

00:06:19,800 --> 00:06:18,130

detect in our spectrometer so let me

169

00:06:21,870 --> 00:06:19,810

show you then just some of the spectra

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00:06:24,779 --> 00:06:21,880

that we've collected and you can see

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00:06:26,670 --> 00:06:24,789

here this is kind of a almost butterfly

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00:06:28,710 --> 00:06:26,680

collecting slide but the the purpose of

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00:06:31,589 --> 00:06:28,720

it is to show you that different

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00:06:33,300 --> 00:06:31,599

molecules really have distinct spectral

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00:06:35,129 --> 00:06:33,310

fingerprints in the terahertz region so

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00:06:37,650 --> 00:06:35,139

we've got more simple molecules like

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00:06:39,750 --> 00:06:37,660

water water and co2

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00:06:42,270 --> 00:06:39,760

we've got more complex molecules here

179

00:06:45,779 --> 00:06:42,280

like acetone and methanol and you can

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00:06:46,750 --> 00:06:45,789

see again these features are very

181

00:06:48,730 --> 00:06:46,760

distinct from

182

00:06:50,770 --> 00:06:48,740

spectrum to the next which gives us hope

183

00:06:52,930 --> 00:06:50,780

that we'll be able to actually identify

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00:06:56,170 --> 00:06:52,940

different species if they're in a more

185

00:06:57,610 --> 00:06:56,180

complicated ice now what are some of the

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00:07:01,030 --> 00:06:57,620

useful things that we can learn from

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00:07:02,140 --> 00:07:01,040

these spectra it's actually oh it would

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00:07:03,910 --> 00:07:02,150

be great if we could look at a

189

00:07:06,160 --> 00:07:03,920

protoplanetary disc and learn something

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00:07:09,400 --> 00:07:06,170

about and know with certainty the local

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00:07:12,010 --> 00:07:09,410

temperature so if you look at our

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00:07:14,950 --> 00:07:12,020

terahertz spectra this is this is carbon

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00:07:16,780 --> 00:07:14,960

dioxide ice and I've I've taken spectra

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00:07:18,430 --> 00:07:16,790

with the ice health at three different

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00:07:21,430 --> 00:07:18,440

temperatures and you can see in the

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00:07:22,690 --> 00:07:21,440

inset as I wore as I saw as a cool the

197

00:07:25,180 --> 00:07:22,700

ice down to colder and colder

198

00:07:28,330 --> 00:07:25,190

temperatures the the peak of a spectral

199

00:07:29,950 --> 00:07:28,340

feature actually shifts and this is

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00:07:31,510 --> 00:07:29,960

great so this means that now if I if I

201  
00:07:33,940 --> 00:07:31,520  
were to actually see something you know

202  
00:07:35,470 --> 00:07:33,950  
here versus here I can actually tell you

203  
00:07:37,330 --> 00:07:35,480  
what the temperature is and you can do

204  
00:07:39,480 --> 00:07:37,340  
this in the laboratory obviously it'll

205  
00:07:42,370 --> 00:07:39,490  
be more difficult in space but this is a

206  
00:07:44,560 --> 00:07:42,380  
potentially and interesting result so

207  
00:07:46,810 --> 00:07:44,570  
what are these vibrations and I just

208  
00:07:49,720 --> 00:07:46,820  
really you know have to show you some

209  
00:07:51,250 --> 00:07:49,730  
some cartoons from some DFT calculations

210  
00:07:53,650 --> 00:07:51,260  
where we've simulated the spectra of

211  
00:07:55,270 --> 00:07:53,660  
these of these features and you can see

212  
00:07:58,270 --> 00:07:55,280  
here that they really are collective

213  
00:08:00,520 --> 00:07:58,280

motions these are entire planes of of

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00:08:01,930 --> 00:08:00,530

co<sub>2</sub> molecules in this solid that are

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00:08:03,700 --> 00:08:01,940

sliding against each other or in the

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00:08:05,710 --> 00:08:03,710

case of the second mode that you saw in

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00:08:08,140 --> 00:08:05,720

the spectrum kind of moving with respect

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00:08:12,310 --> 00:08:08,150

to one another so really think of these

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00:08:15,520 --> 00:08:12,320

as as phonon modes as large long range

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00:08:17,920 --> 00:08:15,530

interactions that really require very

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00:08:19,720 --> 00:08:17,930

little energy to tweak but and as a

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00:08:23,230 --> 00:08:19,730

result they're very very sensitive to

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00:08:25,000 --> 00:08:23,240

the structure of the material which

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00:08:26,680 --> 00:08:25,010

means they're sensitive to the structure

225

00:08:28,780 --> 00:08:26,690

that we're going to see really

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00:08:30,970 --> 00:08:28,790

interesting differences when we talk

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00:08:32,890 --> 00:08:30,980

about mixtures and that's what I have on

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00:08:35,050 --> 00:08:32,900

this slide you can see we start off with

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00:08:36,940 --> 00:08:35,060

water and I'm going with increasing the

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00:08:39,400 --> 00:08:36,950

methanol concentration as I go down the

231

00:08:40,930 --> 00:08:39,410

slide until I have pure methanol and you

232

00:08:43,390 --> 00:08:40,940

can see I start with with features

233

00:08:44,740 --> 00:08:43,400

either the very characteristic features

234

00:08:46,510 --> 00:08:44,750

here of water this feature really

235

00:08:49,180 --> 00:08:46,520

actually corresponds to the sort of

236

00:08:52,690 --> 00:08:49,190

bilayer of a water ice stretching like

237

00:08:55,390 --> 00:08:52,700

this and and as I as I add methanol this

238

00:08:56,800 --> 00:08:55,400

feature slowly goes away when I have a

239

00:08:59,920 --> 00:08:56,810

sort of one-to-one mixture I really have

240

00:09:01,750 --> 00:08:59,930

this big almost amorphous blob

241

00:09:03,220 --> 00:09:01,760

as I add more methanol we start to see

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00:09:04,780 --> 00:09:03,230

maybe these aren't maybe these are the

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00:09:08,079 --> 00:09:04,790

methanol features growing in here and

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00:09:09,880 --> 00:09:08,089

then pure methanol is very clear and and

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00:09:17,040 --> 00:09:09,890

this is the same spectrum like I had on

246

00:09:20,290 --> 00:09:17,050

the first light so so one of the really

247

00:09:21,610 --> 00:09:20,300

bringing this to one more thing that we

248

00:09:23,740 --> 00:09:21,620

really think is interesting about the

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00:09:25,540 --> 00:09:23,750

chemistry of say a place like a

250

00:09:28,300 --> 00:09:25,550

protoplanetary disk terahertz

251  
00:09:30,699 --> 00:09:28,310  
spectroscopy really seems to give us the

252  
00:09:33,340 --> 00:09:30,709  
chance to say something maybe about the

253  
00:09:36,250 --> 00:09:33,350  
thermal history of an ice and so what do

254  
00:09:38,139 --> 00:09:36,260  
I mean by that well everything I've

255  
00:09:40,840 --> 00:09:38,149  
shown you so far as a crystalline solid

256  
00:09:42,490 --> 00:09:40,850  
so that means when I when I showed you I

257  
00:09:44,590 --> 00:09:42,500  
was depositing my ice and I had that

258  
00:09:46,180 --> 00:09:44,600  
substrate that I could change the

259  
00:09:48,699 --> 00:09:46,190  
temperature I actually kept that

260  
00:09:50,410 --> 00:09:48,709  
substrate warmer and the idea is when

261  
00:09:51,970 --> 00:09:50,420  
when the substrate is warmer when the

262  
00:09:53,920 --> 00:09:51,980  
molecules leak into the chamber and they

263  
00:09:56,410 --> 00:09:53,930

hit the substrate they have enough

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00:09:59,620 --> 00:09:56,420

energy to relax and find sort of their

265

00:10:00,880 --> 00:09:59,630

lowest energy position and in that case

266

00:10:04,480 --> 00:10:00,890

we're actually going to wind up with a

267

00:10:06,430 --> 00:10:04,490

nice ordered crystal structure if I

268

00:10:08,980 --> 00:10:06,440

actually instead of doing that I

269

00:10:10,810 --> 00:10:08,990

actually kept my substrate colder

270

00:10:12,160 --> 00:10:10,820

I would actually wind up with an

271

00:10:14,650 --> 00:10:12,170

amorphous solid because when the

272

00:10:16,750 --> 00:10:14,660

molecules come in and stick they don't

273

00:10:19,030 --> 00:10:16,760

have enough energy to reorient they

274

00:10:21,310 --> 00:10:19,040

can't actually find their lowest energy

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00:10:23,530 --> 00:10:21,320

equilibrium position relative to all of

276

00:10:25,180 --> 00:10:23,540

the other molecules in the solid so we

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00:10:27,010 --> 00:10:25,190

wind up with this big amorphous blob and

278

00:10:29,140 --> 00:10:27,020

if you look again you know this this is

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00:10:31,390 --> 00:10:29,150

water and there's this feature here that

280

00:10:32,980 --> 00:10:31,400

kind of you know maybe if you squint I

281

00:10:35,440 --> 00:10:32,990

mean it looks like this but it's bigger

282

00:10:39,010 --> 00:10:35,450

and broader and doesn't have as clean of

283

00:10:40,960 --> 00:10:39,020

features so we compare you know this

284

00:10:42,340 --> 00:10:40,970

spectrum taking at 10 Kelvin here with

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00:10:43,780 --> 00:10:42,350

this spectrum take it at 10 Kelvin here

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00:10:46,150 --> 00:10:43,790

there's an obvious there's an obvious

287

00:10:48,160 --> 00:10:46,160

difference okay but that's not a thermal

288

00:10:51,550 --> 00:10:48,170

history effect because I've just these

289

00:10:54,850 --> 00:10:51,560

are two separate ices but if I take this

290

00:10:57,310 --> 00:10:54,860

ice and I warm it up so you think if I

291

00:10:59,290 --> 00:10:57,320

warm something up all the way up to this

292

00:11:02,350 --> 00:10:59,300

say that the state same temperature at

293

00:11:03,970 --> 00:11:02,360

which I deposited the first ice it would

294

00:11:05,889 --> 00:11:03,980

have enough energy to reorient and

295

00:11:07,780 --> 00:11:05,899

become a crystalline solid in my

296

00:11:09,819 --> 00:11:07,790

spectrum should look just like this but

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00:11:12,160 --> 00:11:09,829

as you can see from this top spectrum

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00:11:13,310 --> 00:11:12,170

that's not the case so there is a

299

00:11:15,110 --> 00:11:13,320

feature that that looks

300

00:11:17,180 --> 00:11:15,120

like this but it's actually shifted

301  
00:11:18,470 --> 00:11:17,190  
relative to this peak and you know

302  
00:11:21,680 --> 00:11:18,480  
there's a lot more structure here than

303  
00:11:23,360 --> 00:11:21,690  
there is here so one of the things you

304  
00:11:25,460 --> 00:11:23,370  
can imagine happening is hey you are in

305  
00:11:27,500 --> 00:11:25,470  
a protoplanetary disk and some dust

306  
00:11:29,450 --> 00:11:27,510  
grain with some ice on it goes from you

307  
00:11:31,130 --> 00:11:29,460  
know colder spot to a warmer spot back

308  
00:11:32,300 --> 00:11:31,140  
to a colder spot you might actually be

309  
00:11:35,600 --> 00:11:32,310  
able to learn something about the

310  
00:11:38,000 --> 00:11:35,610  
history of that dust grain and thus the

311  
00:11:40,670 --> 00:11:38,010  
chemistry of what's going on in the disk

312  
00:11:42,410 --> 00:11:40,680  
and so with that the take home thoughts

313  
00:11:44,750 --> 00:11:42,420

are really that you know terahertz

314

00:11:47,720 --> 00:11:44,760

spectroscopy is really sensitive to both

315

00:11:49,670 --> 00:11:47,730

the structure and a temperature of Isis

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00:11:52,970 --> 00:11:49,680

we can just distinguish them with their

317

00:11:54,500 --> 00:11:52,980

thermal history and when we think that

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00:11:56,360 --> 00:11:54,510

this is a this is going to be a useful

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00:11:58,100 --> 00:11:56,370

tool to understanding complex molecule

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00:11:59,840 --> 00:11:58,110

formation and to bring it all back to

321

00:12:01,190 --> 00:11:59,850

astrobiology if we can understand

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00:12:02,870 --> 00:12:01,200

complex molecule formation

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00:12:04,970 --> 00:12:02,880

maybe we can understand how we wind up

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00:12:07,640 --> 00:12:04,980

with life on this planet and with that

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00:12:09,320 --> 00:12:07,650

I'd like to say my lab mates and my

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00:12:11,060 --> 00:12:09,330

advisor at all the people for funding

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00:12:17,070 --> 00:12:11,070

and everybody for their attention thank

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00:12:36,040 --> 00:12:31,930

questions for Marco Marco thanks for the

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00:12:38,020 --> 00:12:36,050

talk so in one slice you show the ratio

330

00:12:42,190 --> 00:12:38,030

different ratio of the water and the

331

00:12:45,520 --> 00:12:42,200

methyl whatever the two organics so I'm

332

00:12:48,280 --> 00:12:45,530

just wondering if you can predict that

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00:12:51,130 --> 00:12:48,290

when you get spectrum together I don't

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00:12:52,840 --> 00:12:51,140

know if it is proportional four and if

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00:12:56,650 --> 00:12:52,850

you can predict the ratio of the water

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00:12:58,930 --> 00:12:56,660

to the organics are you saying could I

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00:13:03,400 --> 00:12:58,940

could I predict what the spectrum looks

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00:13:05,380 --> 00:13:03,410

like I would say that we we could maybe

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00:13:07,660 --> 00:13:05,390

try although I think the theory these

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00:13:10,150 --> 00:13:07,670

are kind of hard theoretical problems

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00:13:14,920 --> 00:13:10,160

because they they do really require a

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00:13:16,960 --> 00:13:14,930

picture that involves say what the what

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00:13:20,440 --> 00:13:16,970

the unit cell structure looks like of

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00:13:23,290 --> 00:13:20,450

say a crystalline material and if it's

345

00:13:25,300 --> 00:13:23,300

not crystalline it gets even harder so I

346

00:13:27,250 --> 00:13:25,310

would say it's possible but it's it's

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00:13:34,840 --> 00:13:27,260

definitely a hard fioretto problem it's

348

00:13:37,750 --> 00:13:34,850

it's not one that we've looked at oh oh

349

00:13:39,550 --> 00:13:37,760

I see what you're saying okay sure the

350

00:13:41,080 --> 00:13:39,560

answer is yes and but what you'd have to

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00:13:42,720 --> 00:13:41,090

do is you we'd have to do you know we'd

352

00:13:44,830 --> 00:13:42,730

have to have built up a library of

353

00:13:47,260 --> 00:13:44,840

spectra so they're taking spectra at

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00:13:49,810 --> 00:13:47,270

different ratios and then we we would be

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00:13:50,950 --> 00:13:49,820

able to figure out then say if we had a

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00:13:53,080 --> 00:13:50,960

blank spectrum we didn't know what the

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00:13:57,450 --> 00:13:53,090

ratio was we could compare it to our

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00:13:59,470 --> 00:13:57,460

laboratory database and go from there