

# D/H equilibrium fractionation in ices

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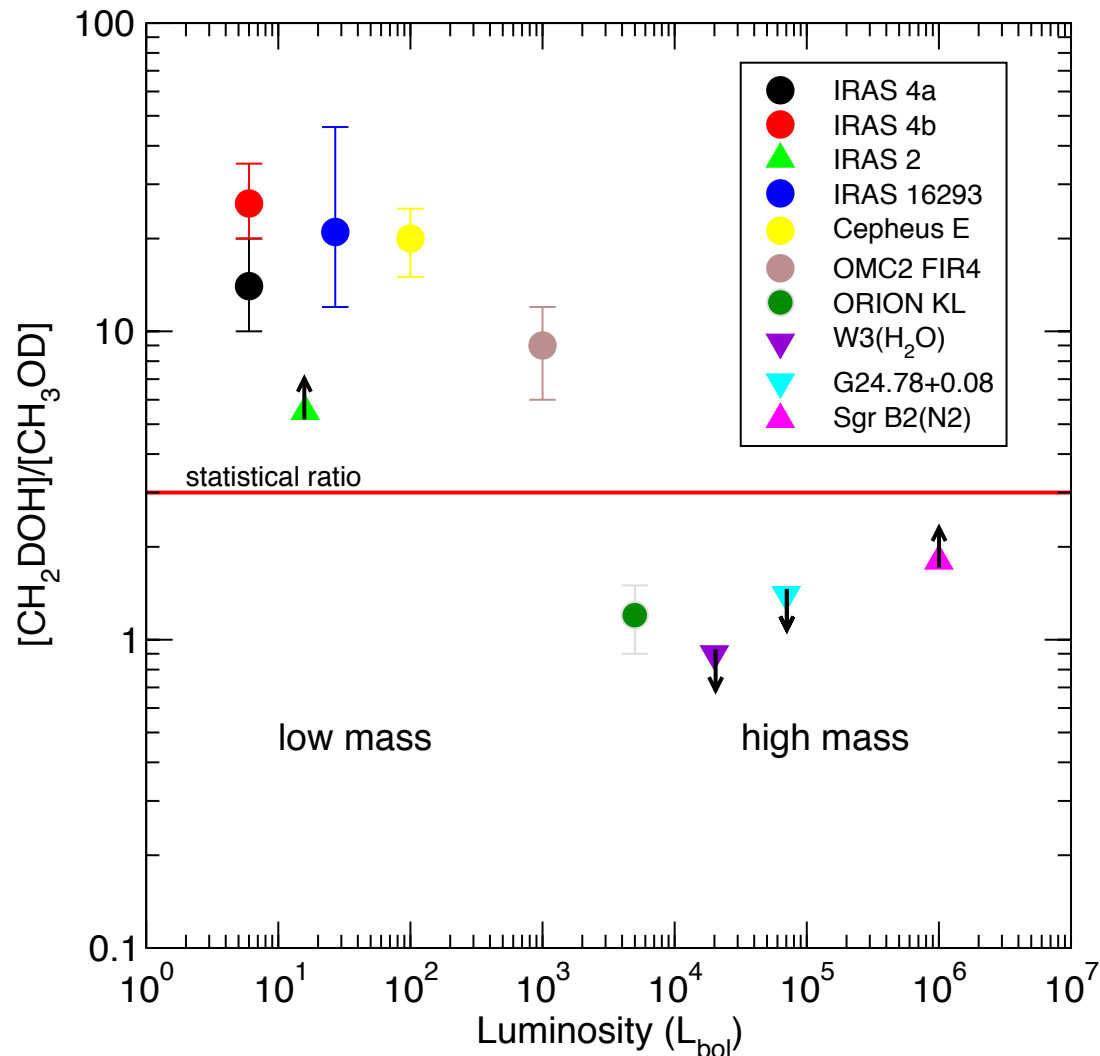
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# The methanol puzzle

## References:

- Parise et al. (2006)
- Ratajczak et al. (2011)
- Neill et al. (2013)
- Belloche et al. (2015)

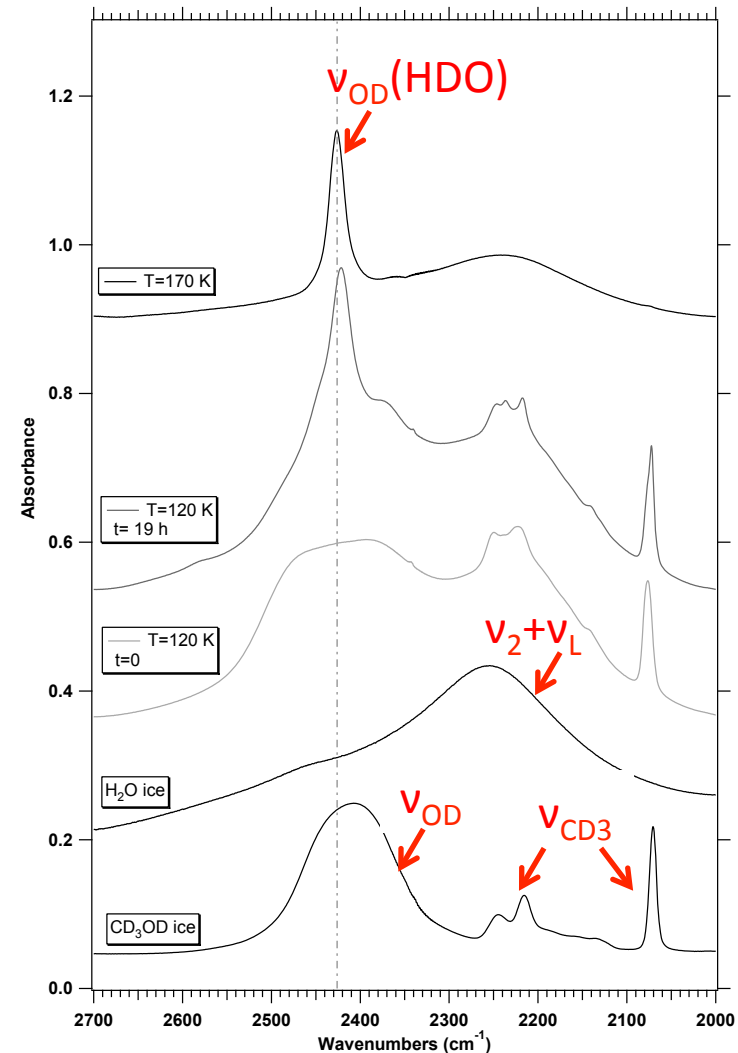


Adapted from  
Ratajczak et al.  
A&A (2011)

# H/D exchanges in ice

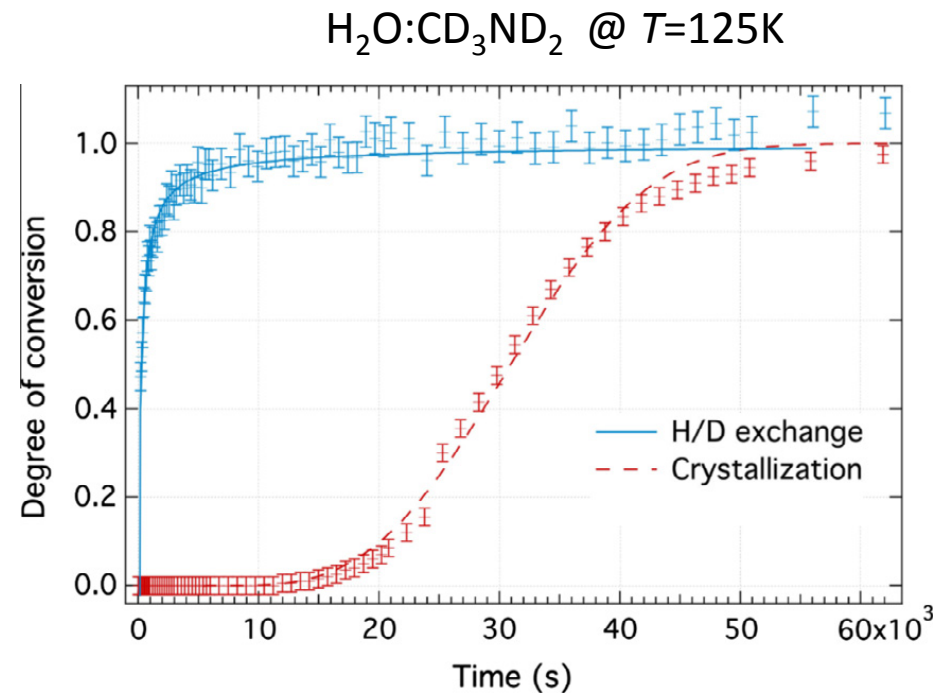
- Thin films (1  $\mu\text{m}$ ) of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}:\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$  ice mixtures are monitored by FTIR spectroscopy
- Rapid ( $\sim$  hrs) H/D exchanges are observed above  $T=120\text{K}$  on the -OH functional group

Ratajczak et al. A&A (2009)



# Kinetics experiment

- Exchanges are observed in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}:\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}:\text{CD}_3\text{ND}_2$ , but not in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}:\text{HCN}$
- Activation energies are similar for exchanges and crystallisation ( $\sim 4000$  K)



[See Faure M. et al. *Icarus* **261** 14 (2015)]

# The model

- Grain surface chemical model (rate equations) as in Hasegawa et al. ApJ (1992)
- Chemistry is limited to H/D exchanges + accretion + thermal sublimation
- No diffusion on grains and no post-evaporative gas-phase chemistry

## Surface species considered:

- $\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- $\text{HDO}$
- $\text{D}_2\text{O}$
- $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{OD}$
- $\text{CH}_2\text{DOH}$ ,  $\text{CHD}_2\text{OD}$
- $\text{CD}_2\text{HOH}$ ,  $\text{CD}_2\text{HOD}$
- $\text{CD}_3\text{OH}$ ,  $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$

# H/D exchange kinetics of

$$\text{CH}_3\text{OD} + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{CH}_3\text{OH} + \text{HDO}$$

- Experimental data fitted to a 1st-order rate constant  $k^{1\text{st}}(T)$  (Arrhenius type)
- **BUT**: rate equations require a 2nd-order rate constant
- Assuming a  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  partial order of 1, we have:

$$k^{2\text{nd}}(T) = k^{1\text{st}}(T) / n(\text{s-H}_2\text{O})$$

**Reversibility** predicts a relation between  $k^{1\text{st}}$  and  $k_b$ :

$$K(T) = k^{1\text{st}}/k_b = K^{\text{stat}} * \exp(-\Delta H/T)$$

where  $\Delta H$  was measured in liquid phase ( $\sim 50$  K)

# Ice composition

- See Öberg et al. (2011),  
Boogert et al. (2015)
- Low-mass protostars  
**IRAS 16293**
  - $[\text{H}_2\text{O}] = 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$  (relative to  $n_{\text{H}}$ )
  - $[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}] = 3\%$  relative to  $[\text{H}_2\text{O}]$
- High-mass protostars  
**Orion KL**
  - $[\text{H}_2\text{O}] = 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$  (relative to  $n_{\text{H}}$ )
  - $[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}] = 4\%$  relative to  $[\text{H}_2\text{O}]$

Statistical addition of H and D atoms to CO:

$$[\text{CH}_2\text{DOH}]/[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}] = 3 \cdot (\text{D}/\text{H})_{\text{m}}$$

$$[\text{CH}_3\text{OD}]/[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}] = (\text{D}/\text{H})_{\text{m}}$$

$$[\text{CD}_2\text{HOH}]/[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}] = 3 \cdot (\text{D}/\text{H})_{\text{m}}^2$$

etc.

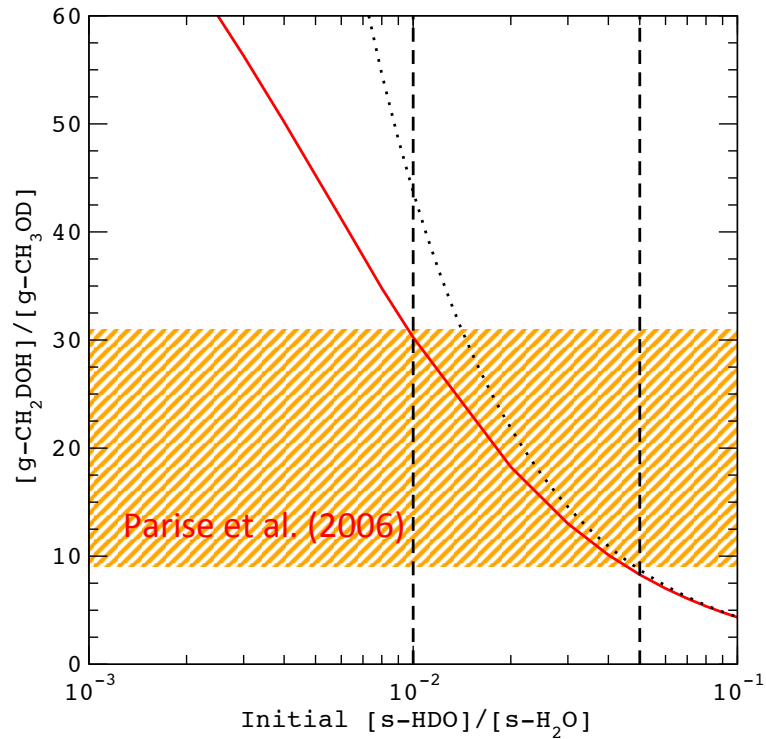


# Initial conditions

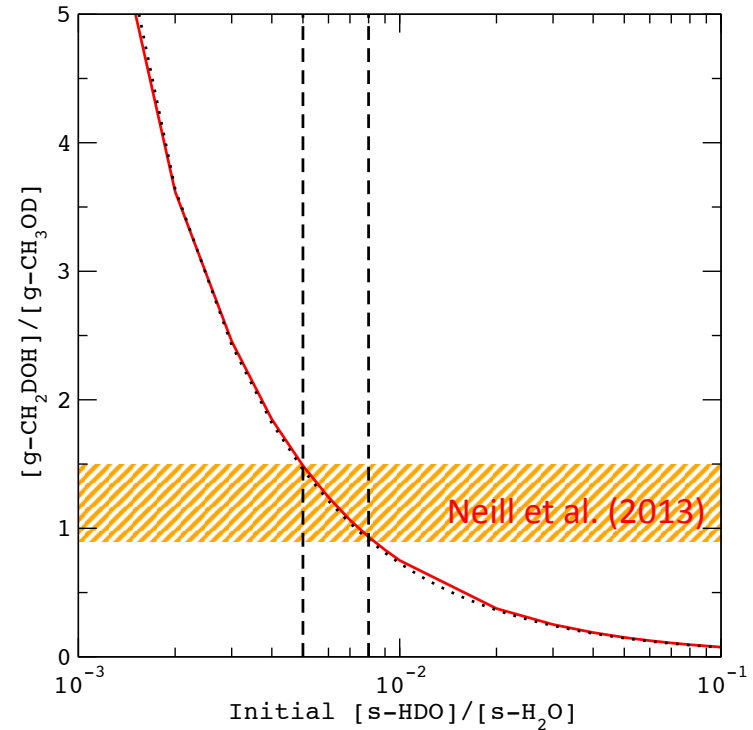
- Accreting  $(D/H)_m$  atomic ratio is fixed by  $CH_2DOH$  fractionation:
  - IRAS 16293:  $(D/H)_m = 12\%$
  - Orion-KL:  $(D/H)_m = 0.2\%$
- Water deuteration  $(D/H)_w$  is our (unique) free parameter
- $n_H = 2 * 10^7 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  $T_g = T_d = 100 \text{ K}$   
 → instantaneous jump + steady-state solutions

IRAS-16293			
Species	Abundance	Isotopologue	Fractionation
H <sub>2</sub> O	5.0(-5)	HDO	1.0(-4)–1.1(-1)
		D <sub>2</sub> O	2.5(-9)–2.8(-3)
CH <sub>3</sub> OH	1.5(-6)	CH <sub>3</sub> OD	1.2(-1)
		CH <sub>2</sub> DOH	3.6(-1)
		CH <sub>2</sub> DOD	4.3(-2)
		CD <sub>2</sub> HOH	4.3(-2)
		CD <sub>2</sub> HOD	5.2(-3)
		CD <sub>3</sub> OH	1.7(-3)
		CD <sub>3</sub> OD	2.1(-4)
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CH <sub>3</sub> OH	2.0(-6)	CH <sub>3</sub> OD	2.0(-3)
		CH <sub>2</sub> DOH	6.0(-3)
		CH <sub>2</sub> DOD	1.2(-5)
		CD <sub>2</sub> HOH	1.2(-5)
		CD <sub>2</sub> HOD	2.4(-8)
		CD <sub>3</sub> OH	8.0(-9)
		CD <sub>3</sub> OD	1.6(-11)

# Gas-phase D-methanol

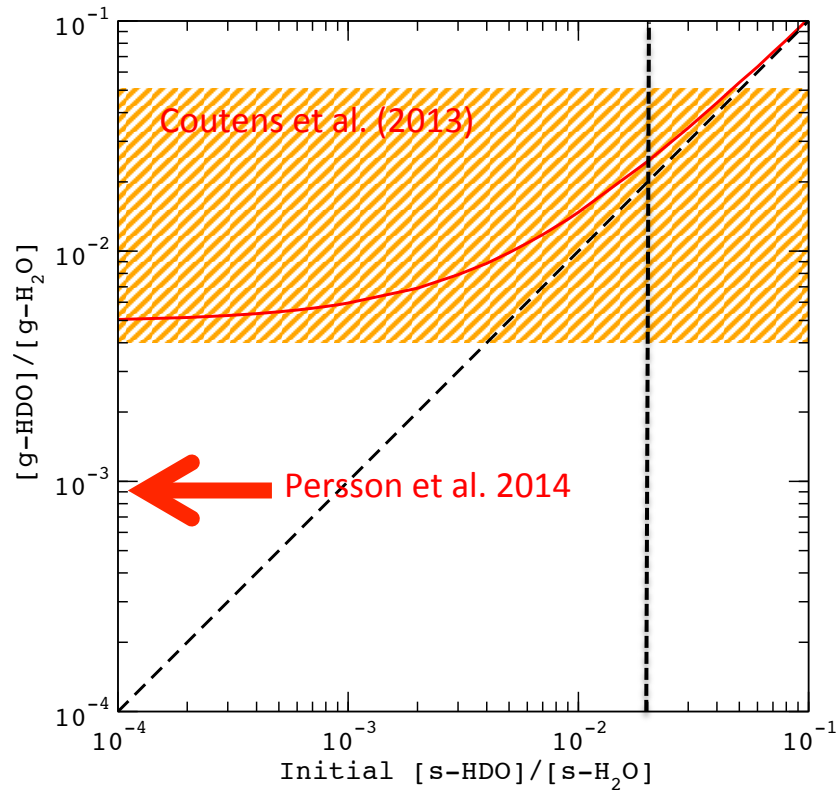


**IRAS-16293**  
 $[s\text{-HDO}] / [s\text{-H}_2\text{O}] \sim 2\%$

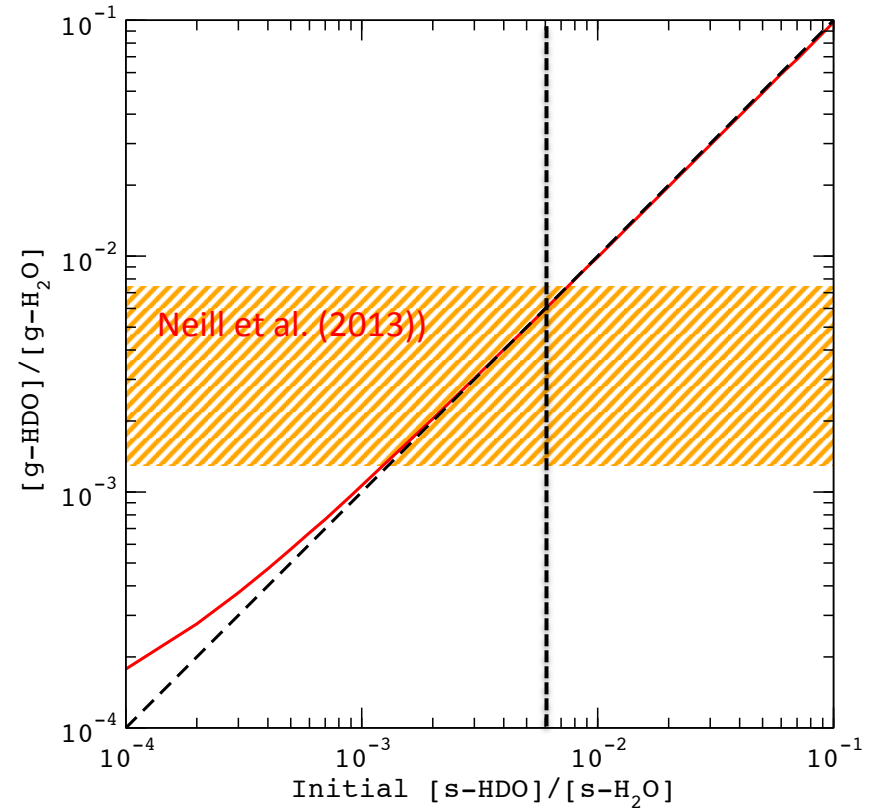


**Orion-KL**  
 $[s\text{-HDO}] / [s\text{-H}_2\text{O}] \sim 0.6\%$

# Gas-phase HDO



**IRAS-16293**



**Orion-KL**

# Best-model

- Agreement between model and observations is **within error bars**.
- Next isotopologue to be detected is **CH<sub>2</sub>DOD** (but frequencies not available...)

## IRAS 16293

Species	Best model	Observations	References
HDO	2.5(-2)	6.6(-4)-5.0(-2)	Coutens et al. (2013) Persson et al. (2014)
D <sub>2</sub> O	1.7(-4)	≤3.0(-4)	Coutens et al. (2013)
CH <sub>3</sub> OD	2.0(-2)	1.8 <sup>+2.2</sup> <sub>-1.2</sub> (-2)	Parise et al. (2006)
CH <sub>2</sub> DOH	3.6(-1)	3.7 <sup>+3.8</sup> <sub>-1.9</sub> (-1)	Parise et al. (2006)
CH <sub>2</sub> DOD	7.2(-3)	-	-
CD <sub>2</sub> HOH	4.4(-2)	7.4 <sup>+8.4</sup> <sub>-4.4</sub> (-2)	Parise et al. (2006)
CD <sub>2</sub> HOD	8.8(-4)	-	-
CD <sub>3</sub> OH	1.8(-3)	8.0 <sup>+6.0</sup> <sub>-6.0</sub> (-3)	Parise et al. (2004)
CD <sub>3</sub> OD	3.5(-5)	-	-

## Orion-KL

Species	Best model	Observations	References
HDO	6.0(-3)	3.8 <sup>+3.6</sup> <sub>-2.5</sub> (-3)	Neill et al. (2013)
D <sub>2</sub> O	1.0(-5)	-	-
CH <sub>3</sub> OD	4.9(-3)	5.0 <sup>+1.0</sup> <sub>-1.0</sub> (-3)	Neill et al. (2013)
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# Analytical solution

- Statistical deuteration

$$[\text{CH}_2\text{DOH}]/[\text{CH}_3\text{OH}] = 3 \cdot (\text{D}/\text{H})_m$$

- Reversibility

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{CH}_3\text{OH}]/[\text{CH}_3\text{OD}] &= 2 \cdot \exp(-\Delta H/T) \cdot [\text{H}_2\text{O}]/[\text{HDO}] \\ &= \exp(-\Delta H/T) / (\text{D}/\text{H})_w \end{aligned}$$

- D-methanol

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{CH}_2\text{DOH}]/[\text{CH}_3\text{OD}] &= 3 \cdot (\text{D}/\text{H})_m \cdot \exp(-\Delta H/T) / (\text{D}/\text{H})_w \\ &\sim (\text{D}/\text{H})_m / (\text{D}/\text{H})_w \end{aligned}$$

[See Faure et al. *A&A* 583 A98 (2015)]

# Conclusions

- Molecules with  $\text{-OD}$  or  $\text{-ND}$  bonds (**not  $\text{-CD}$** ) can isotopically equilibrate with water ice
- D/H ratios measured in hot cores may not be representative of the original mantles
- D-methanol is a potential probe of water deuteration in the ice

# Perspectives

- D-methanol in **cold cores** (Bizzocchi et al. 2014) and **Sgr B2(N2)** (Belloche et al. 2015)
- D-isotopologues of **NH<sub>2</sub>CHO** and **CH<sub>2</sub>OH-CHO** recently detected with ALMA (**talk by A. Coutens**)
- Investigate other (non thermal) desorption mechanisms, i.e. UV and cosmic ray impact.