

# Amorphous Ices

## Part 1: Thermodynamics, Preparation



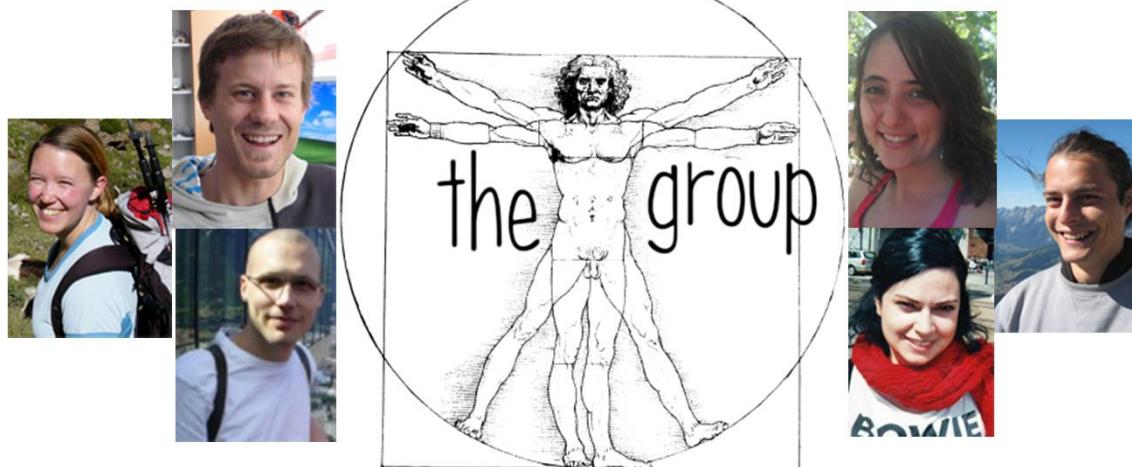
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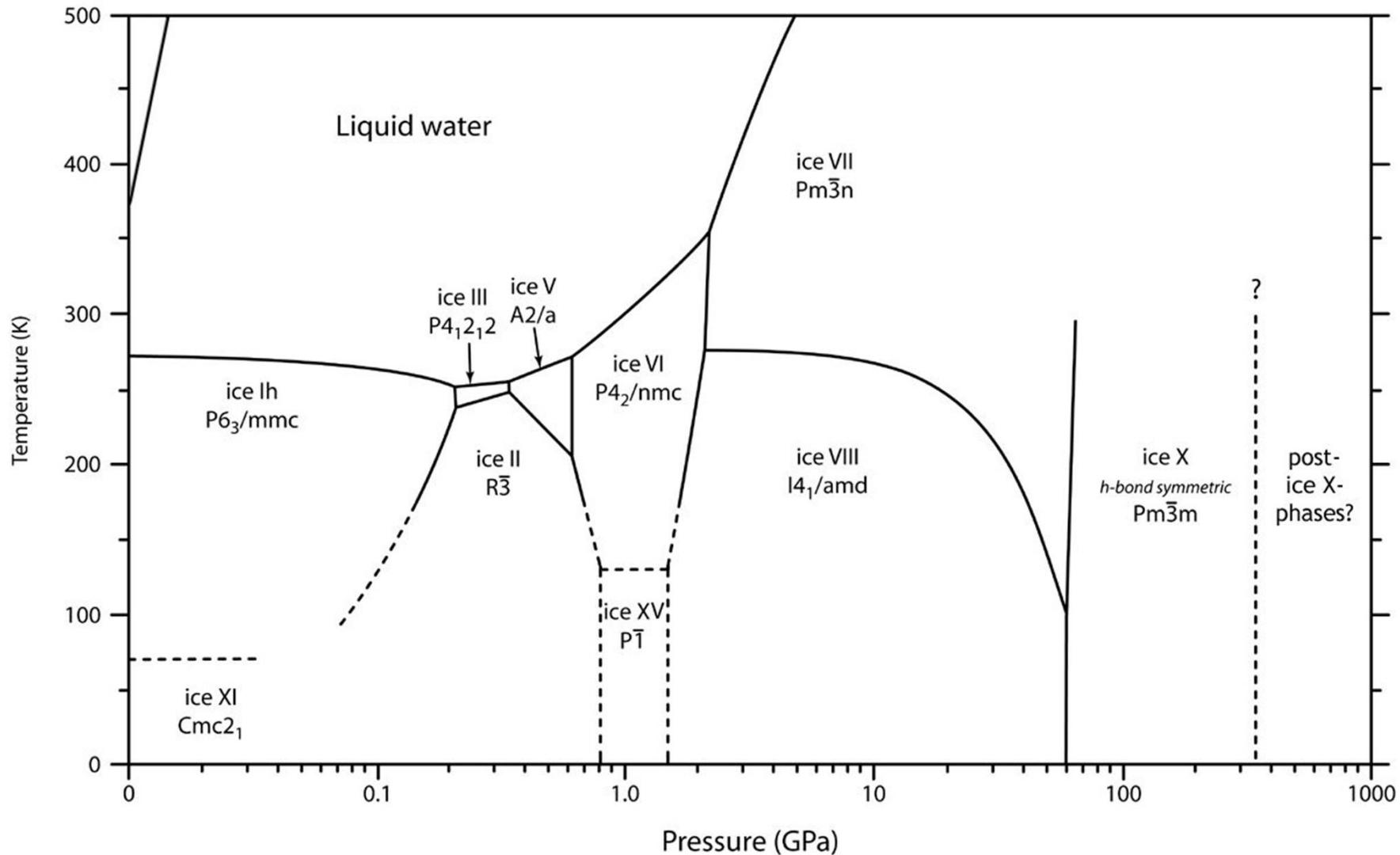




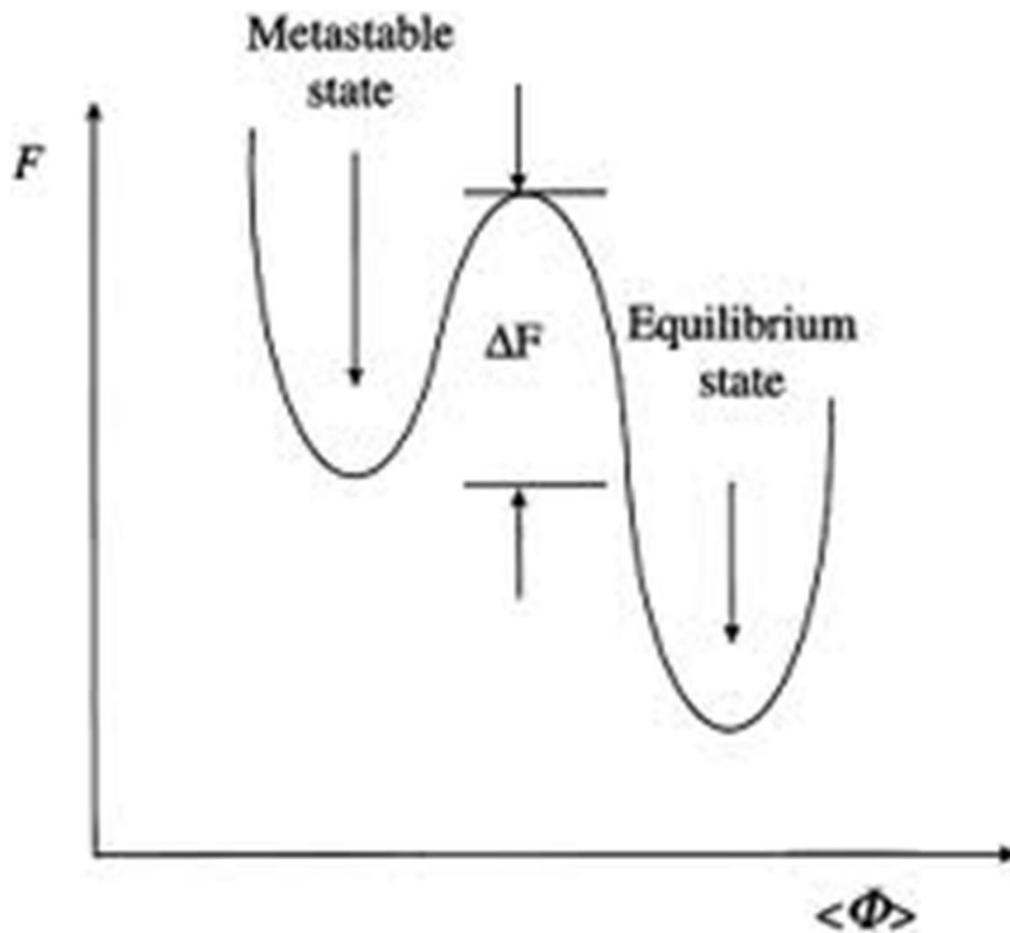
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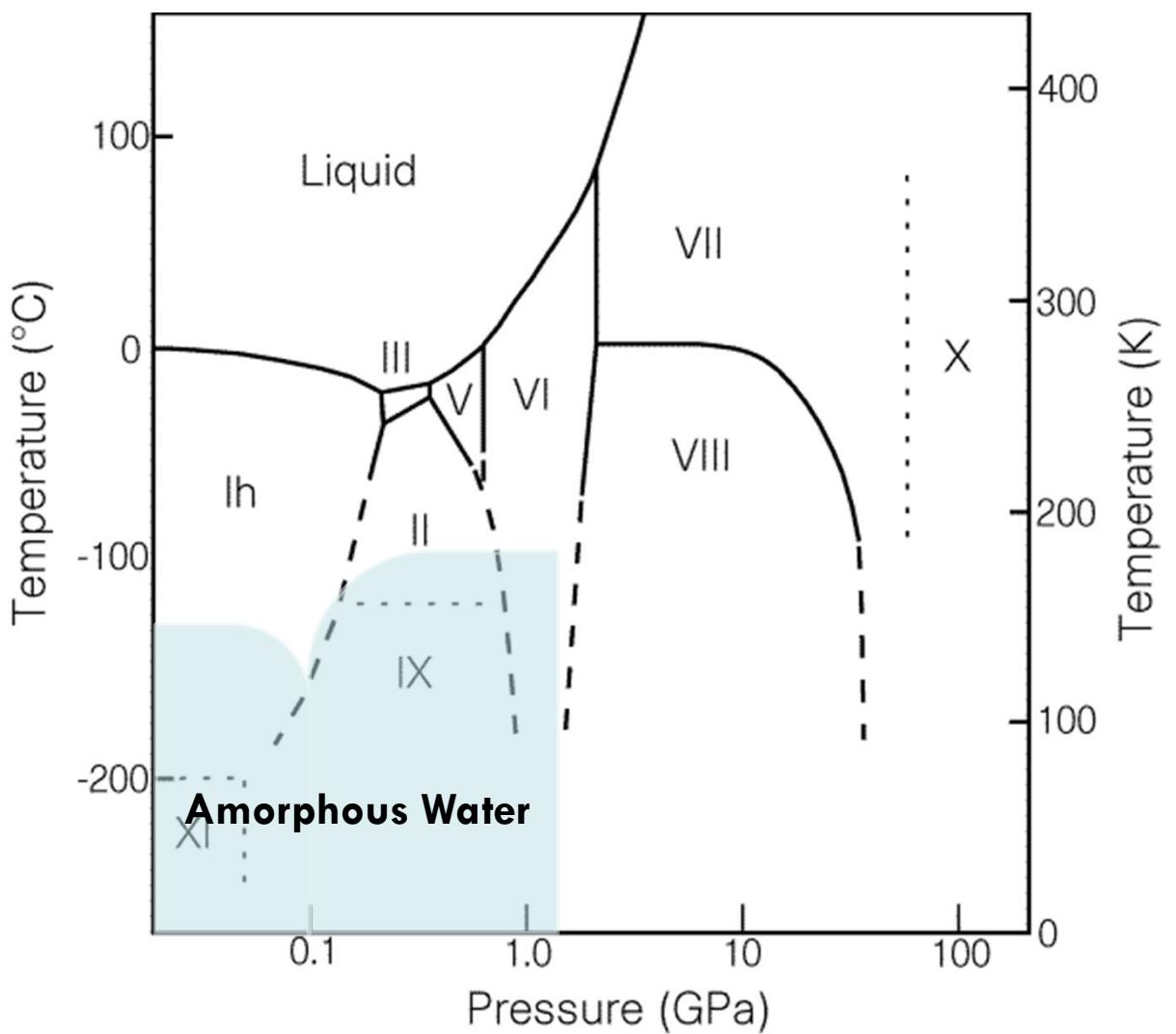


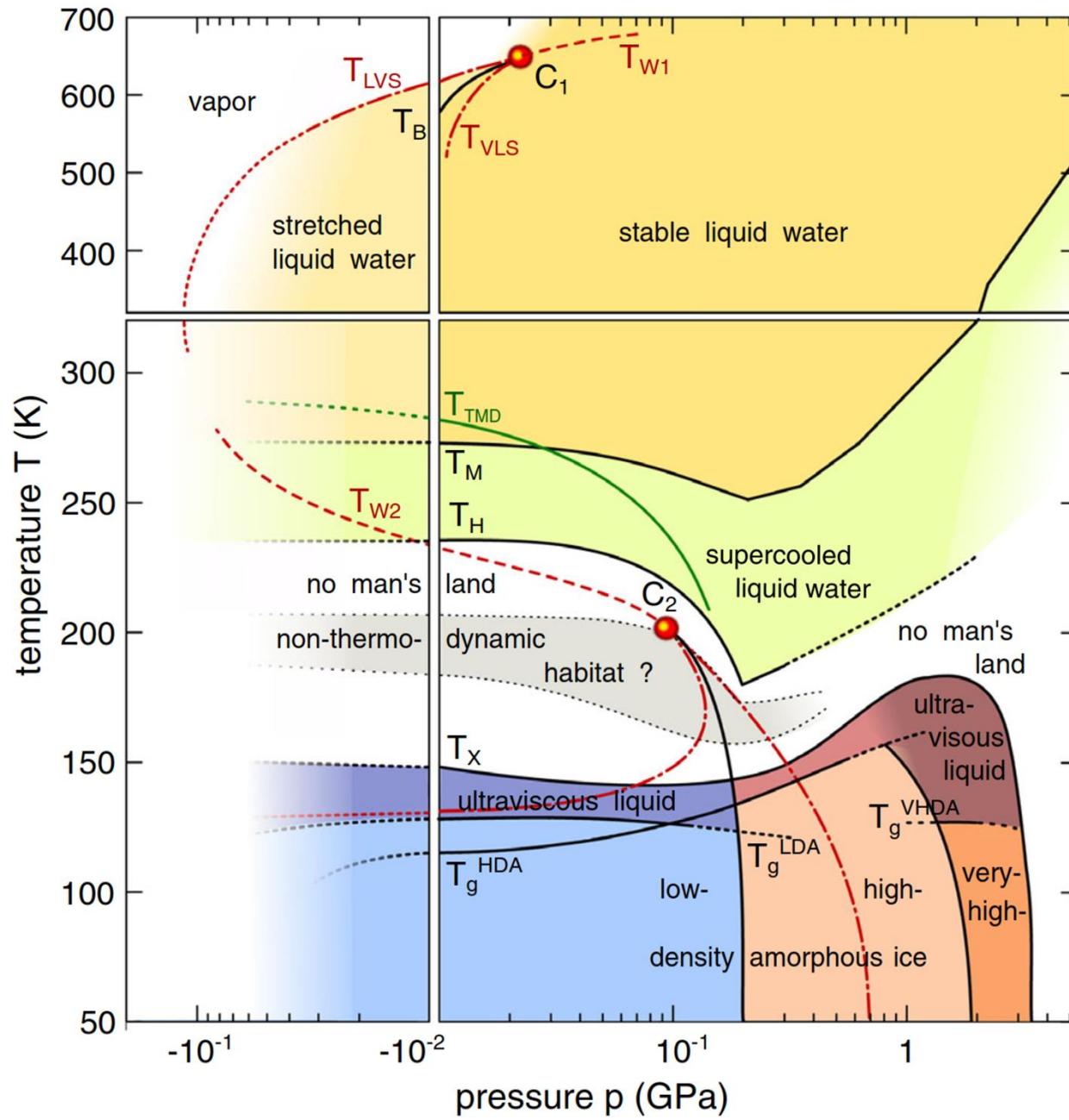
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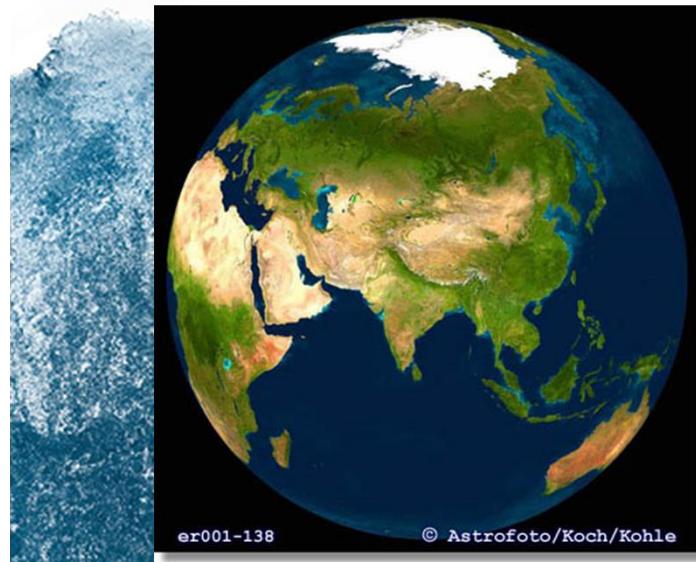


# Metastability

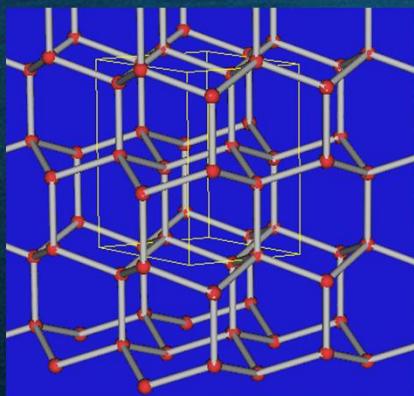




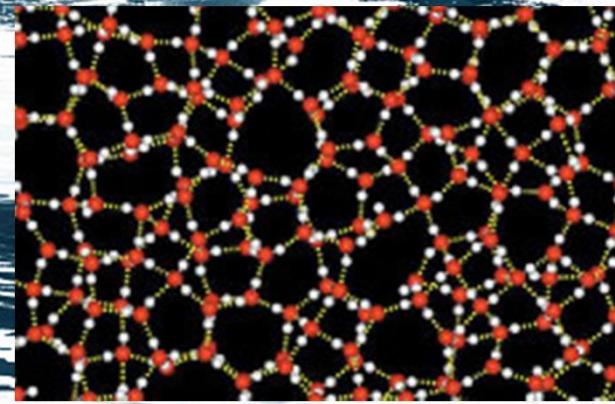




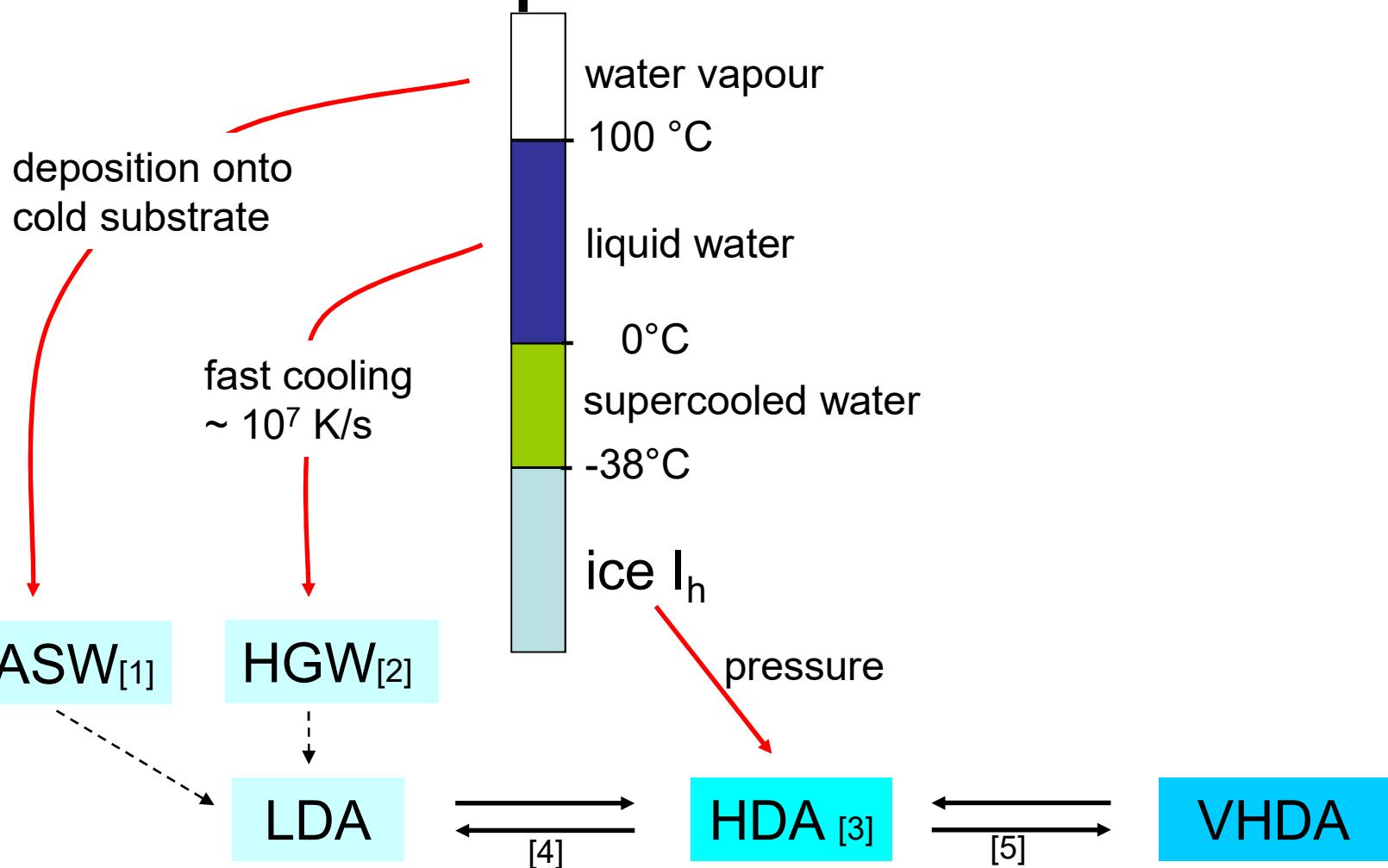
**earth:  
hexagonal ice**



**outer space:  
amorphous forms of ice**



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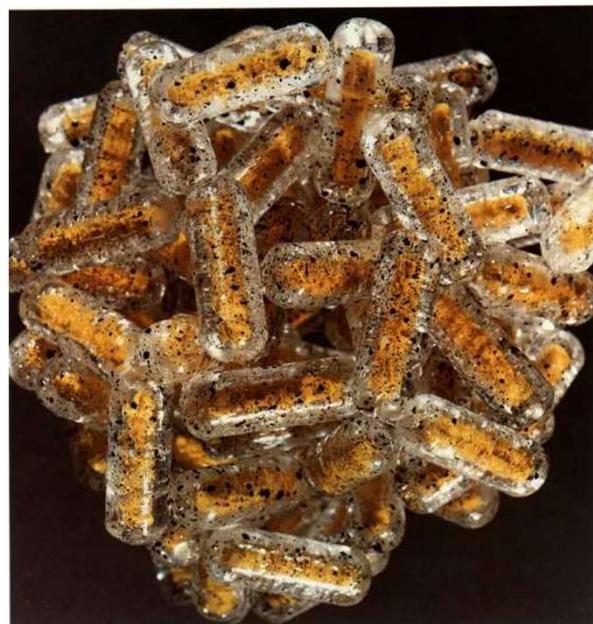
# **AMORPHOUS SOLID WATER (ASW)**

# Amorphous Solid Water (ASW)

Interstellar Dust



Agglomeration of Interstellar Dust Grains

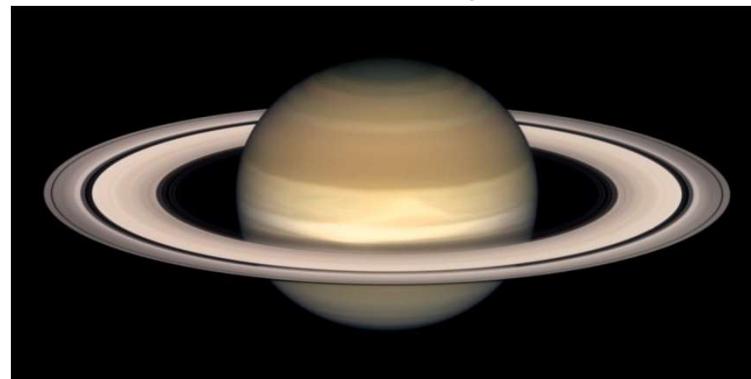


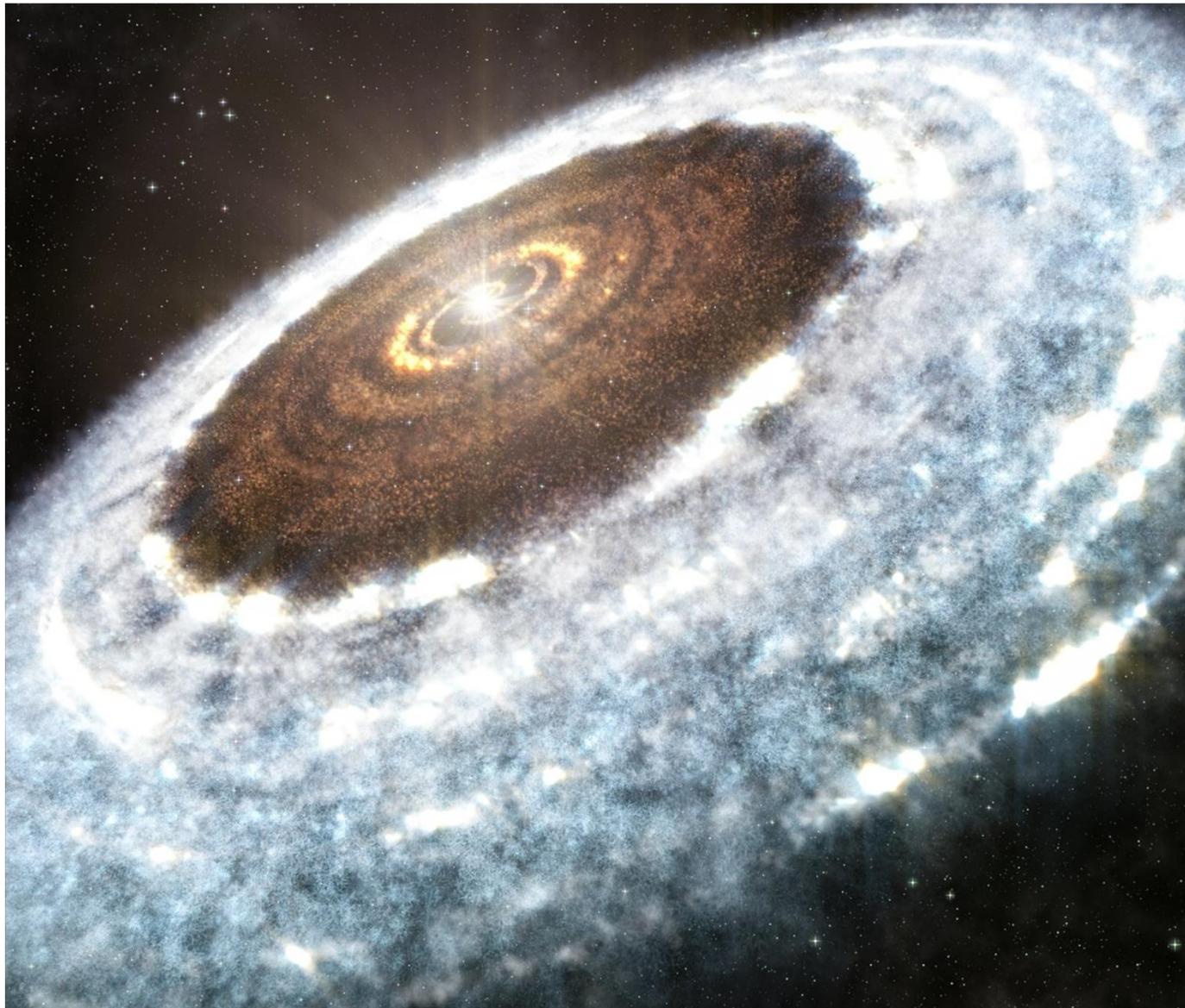
Comet Hale-Bopp



Courtesy: Leiden Observatory, Netherlands

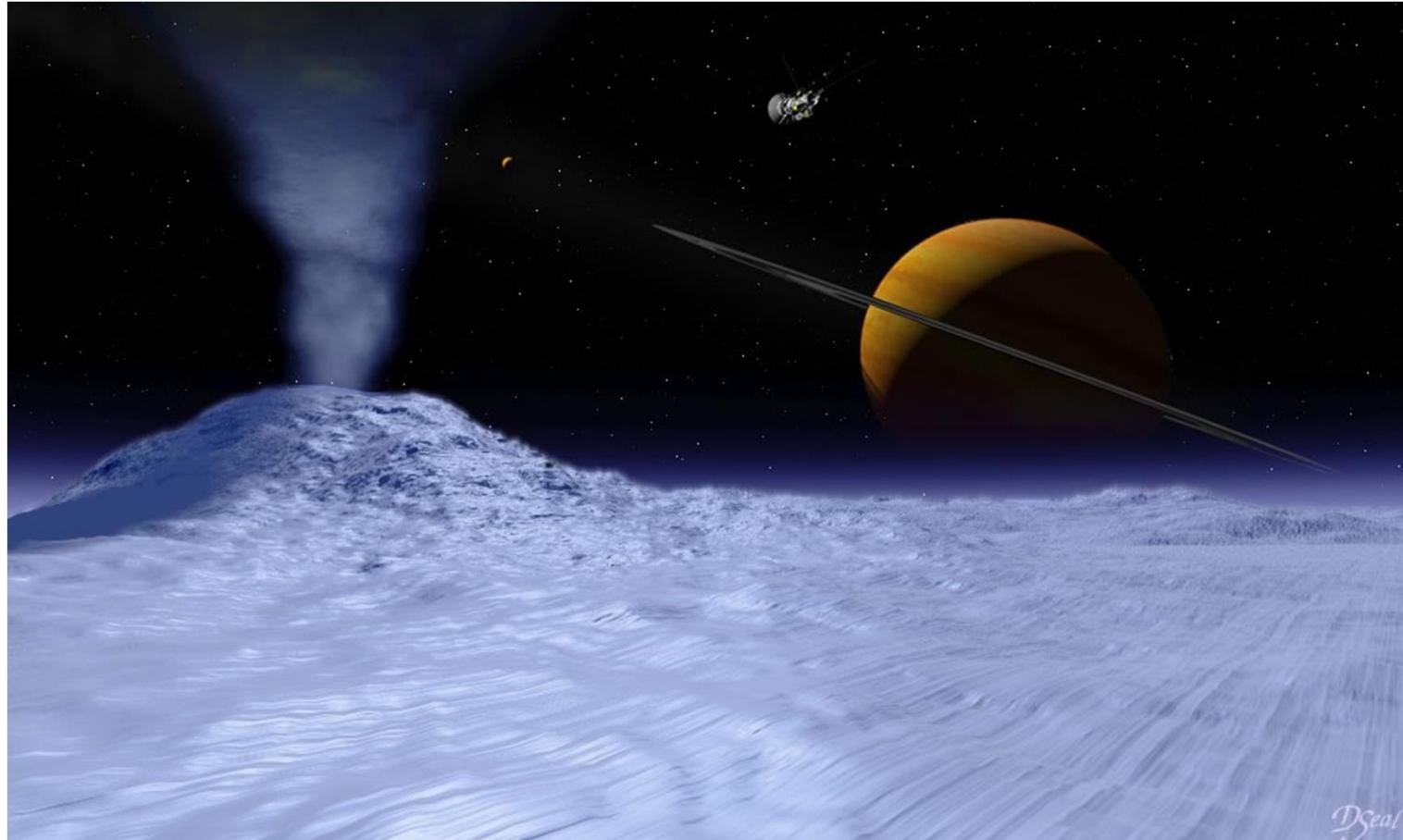
Saturn Rings





Water snow line within protoplanetary disc around young star V883 Orionis  
Observed by Atacama Radio Telescope (ALMA)  
Cieza et al. Nature (2016) July14 issue

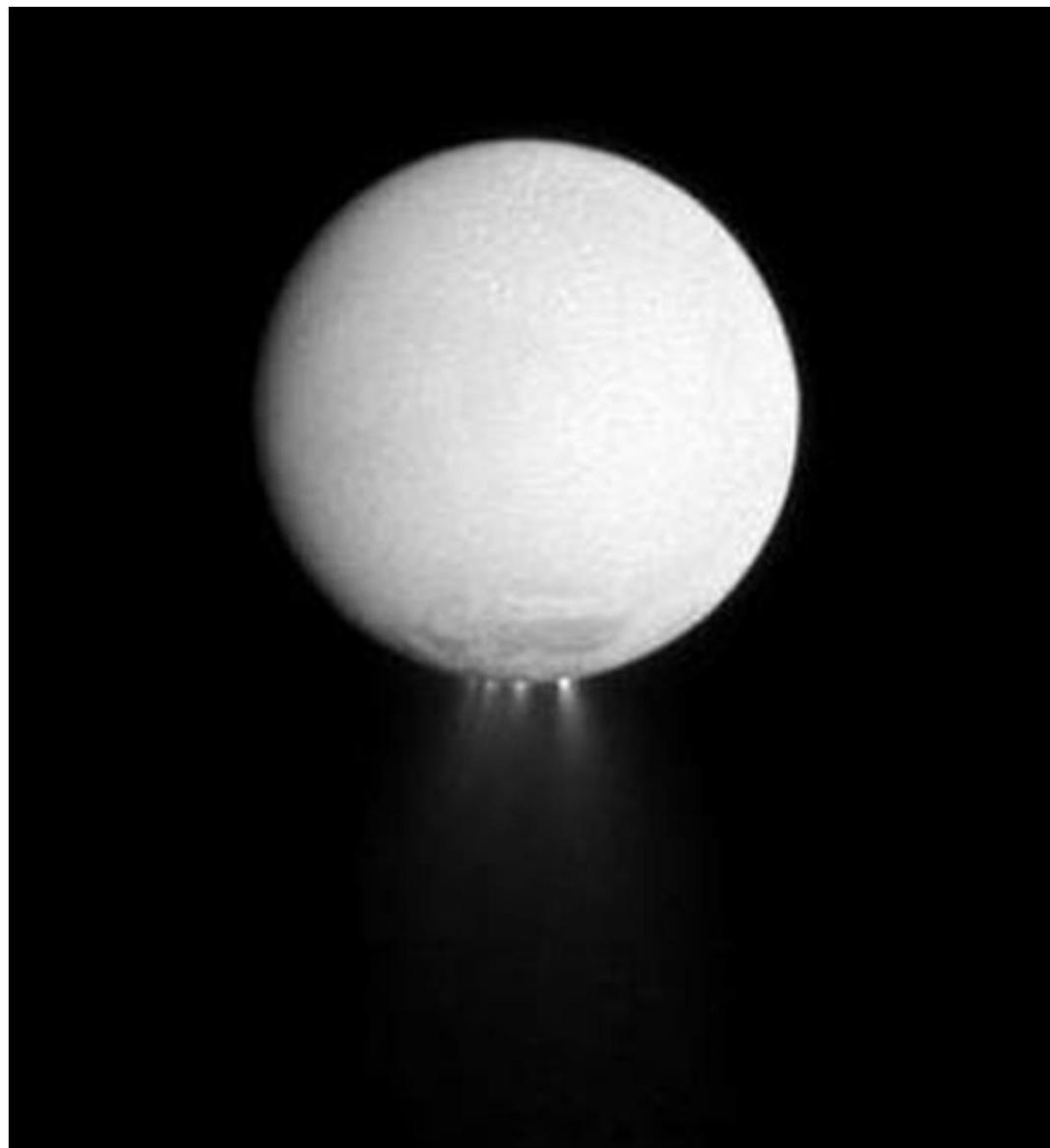
# Cryovolcanoes („Ice Volcanoes“)



e.g. Triton (Neptun), Enceladus/Titan (Saturn), Pluto/Charon

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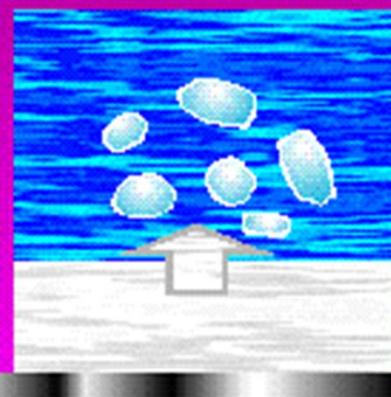
Image of Enceladus  
(Cassini)



## AMORPHOUS SOLID WATER

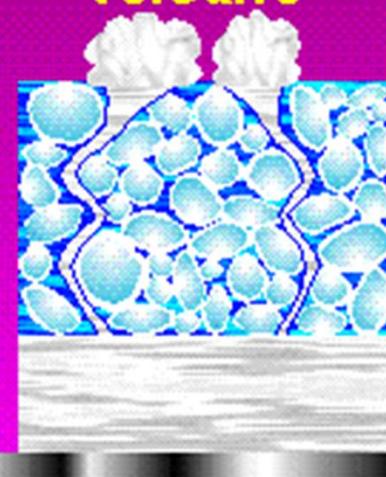


(a)



(b)

Molecular  
Volcano



(c)

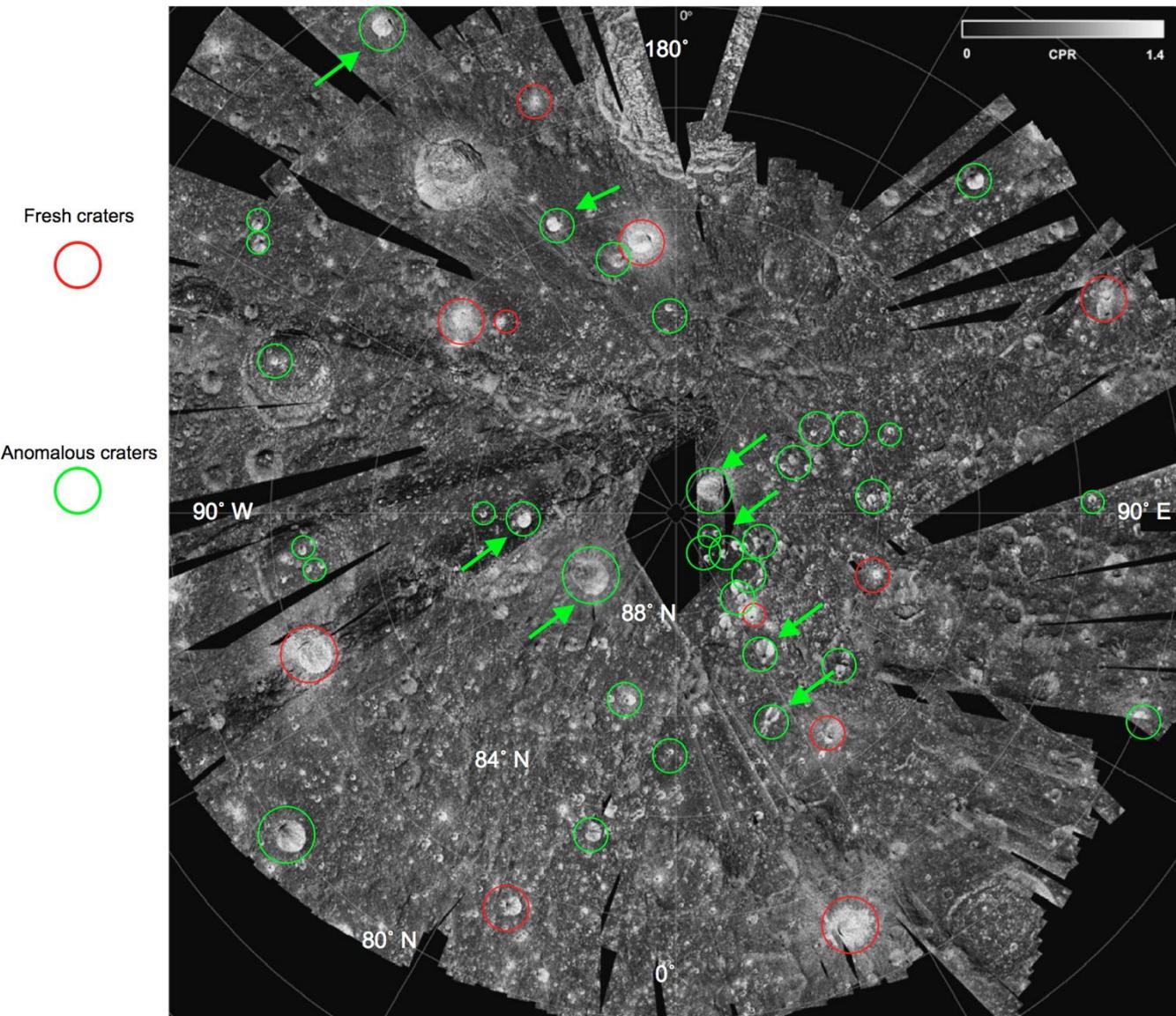
$T < 140\text{ K}$   
ASW deposited on  $CCl_4$

$T \sim 140\text{-}150\text{ K}$   
crystallization

$T > 150\text{ K}$   
 $CCl_4$  evaporates

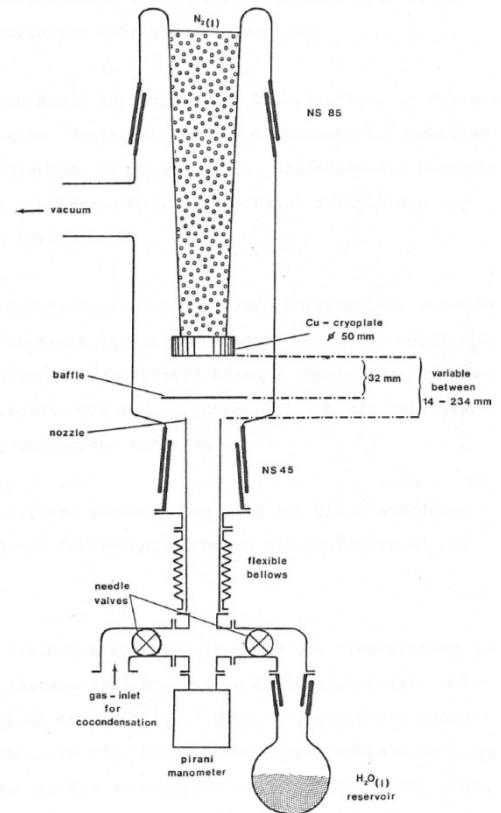
Courtesy: Bruce Kay, PNNL

# Ice on the Moon



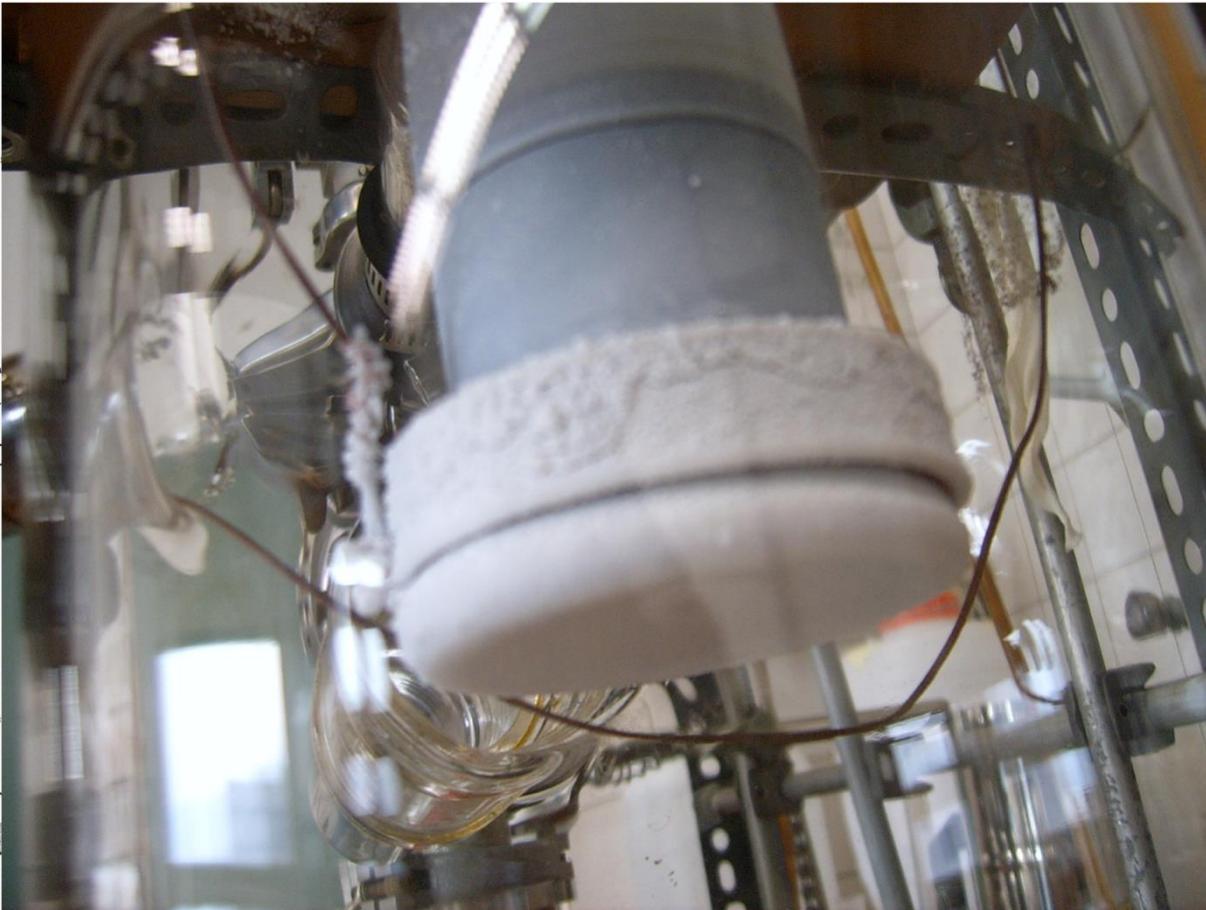
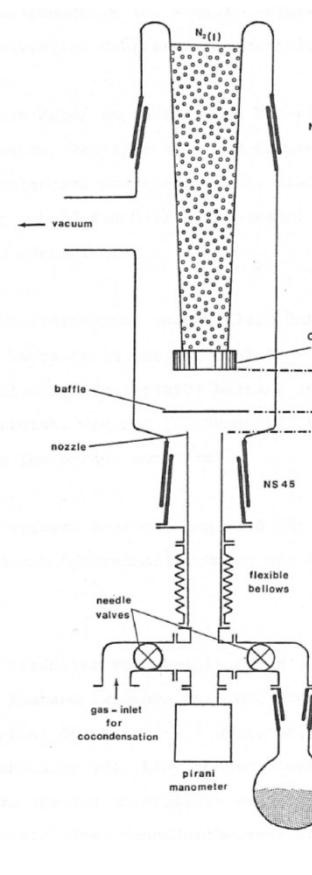
Data from:  
Mini-SAR radar aboard  
Chandrayaan-1 spacecraft  
(2010)

600 million tons of almost pure ice detected, at a temperature of 110 K



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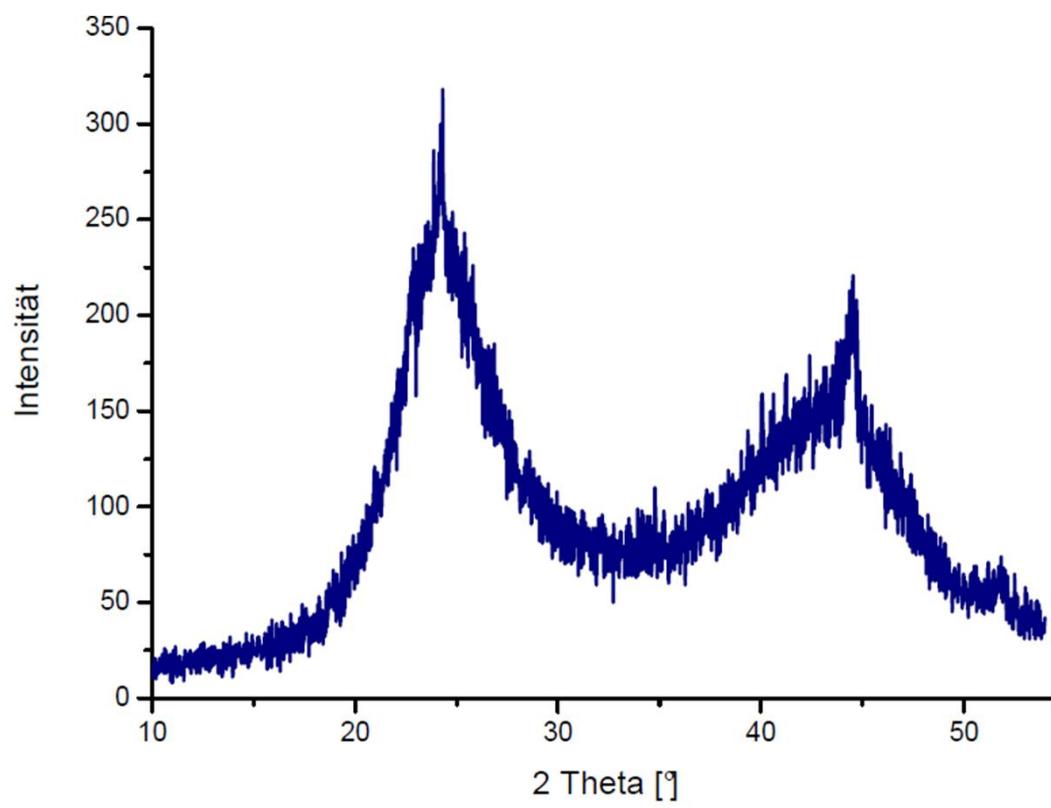
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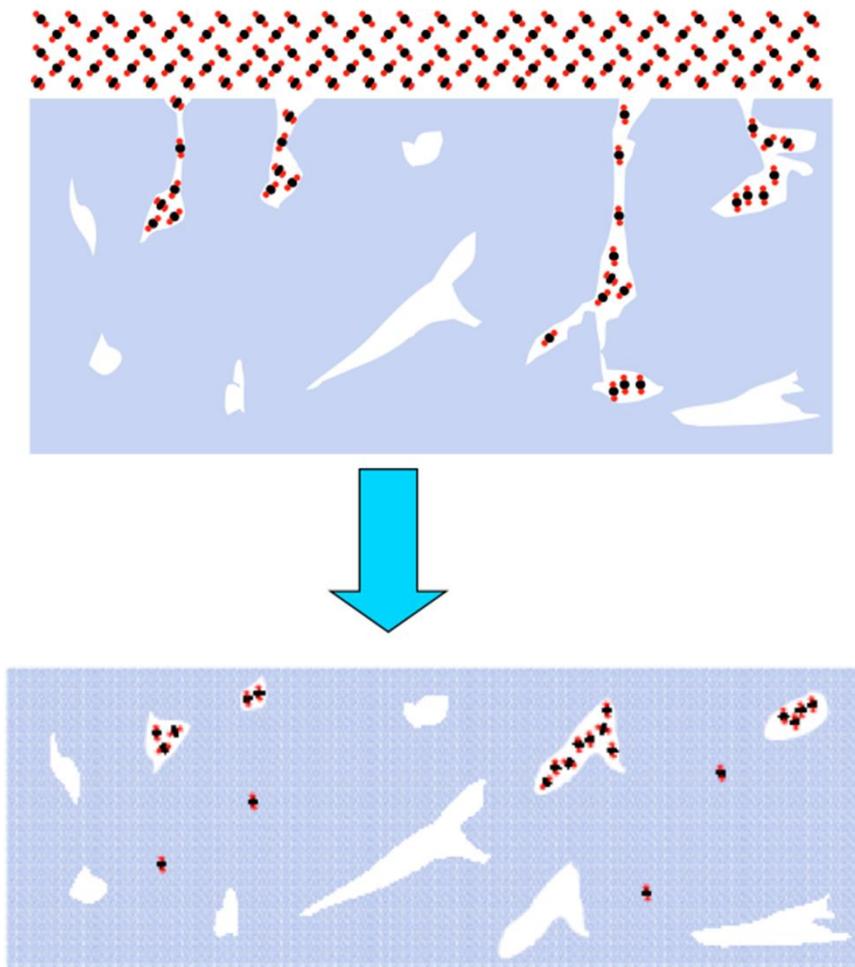
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ASW



# ASW: A Highly Microporous Solid



Courtesy: H. Reisler, USC (LA)

## Neutron Scattering Analysis of Water's Glass Transition and Micropore Collapse in Amorphous Solid Water

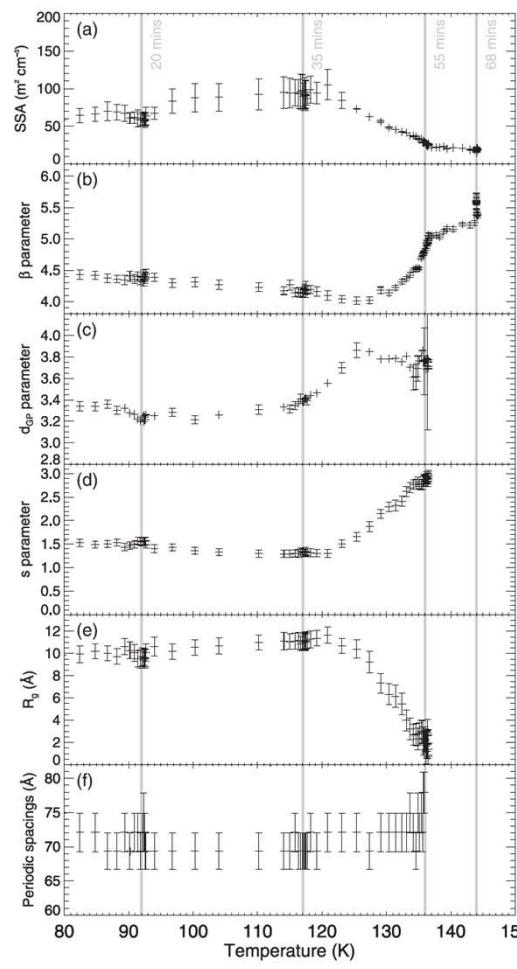
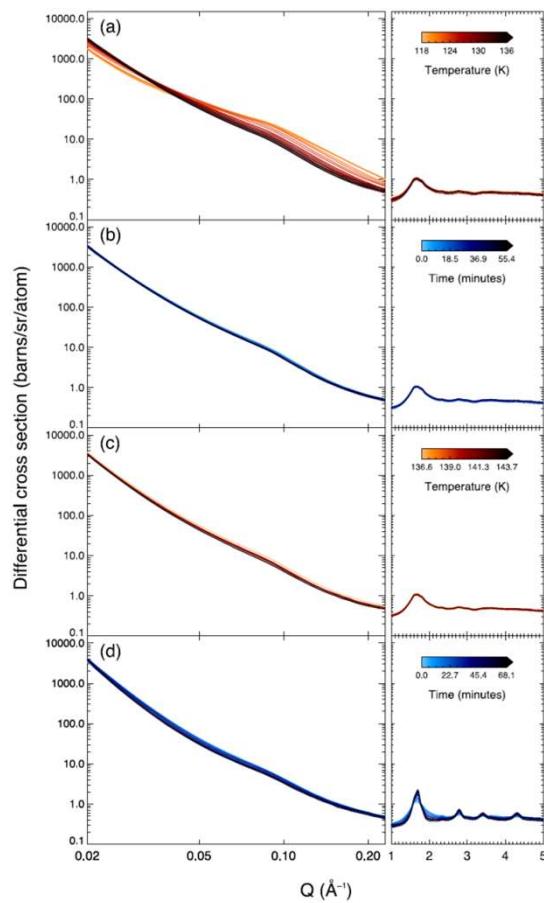
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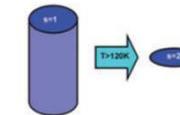


### NIMROD instrument (ISIS)

80 – 115 K:  
Rough, cylindrical pores

115 – 121 K:  
Smoothing of pore surfaces

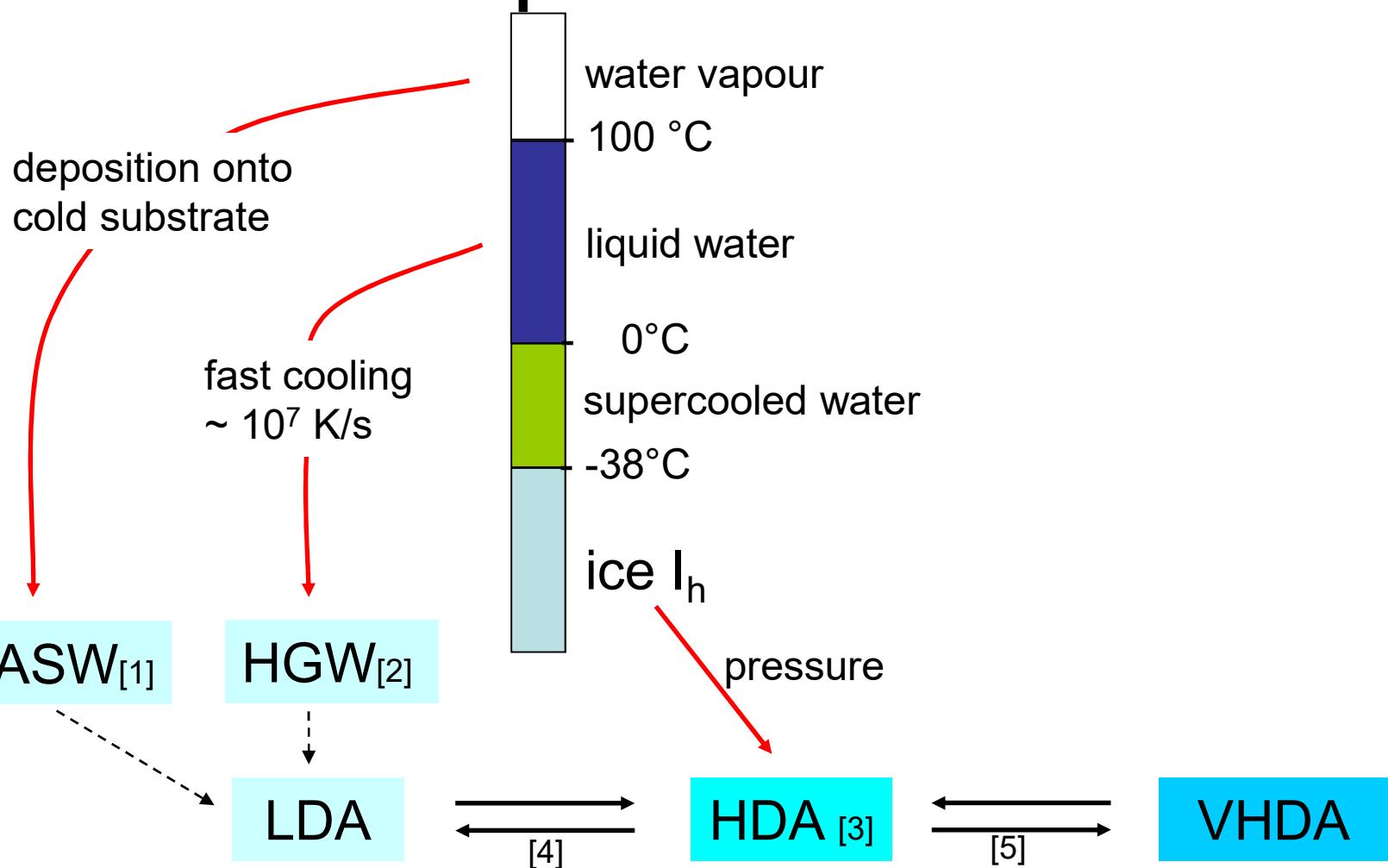
121 – 136 K:  
Translational diffusion,  
Micropore collapse



136 – 144 K:  
Amorphous water (LDL)

144 K:  
Crystallization

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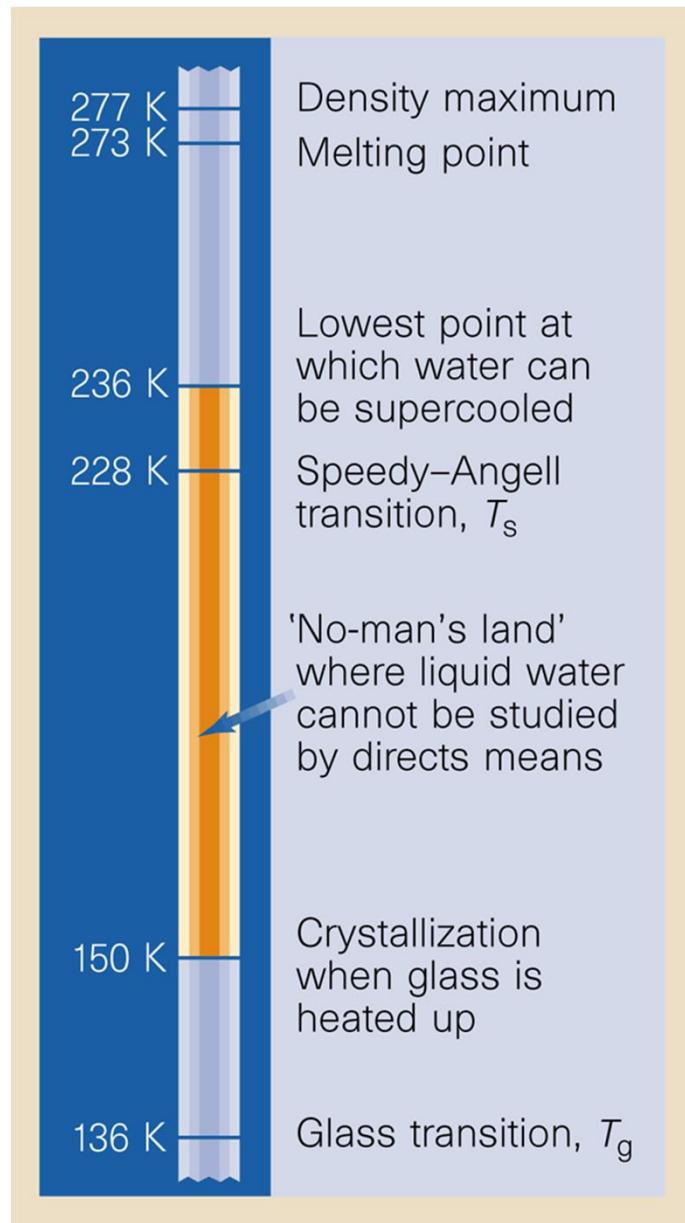
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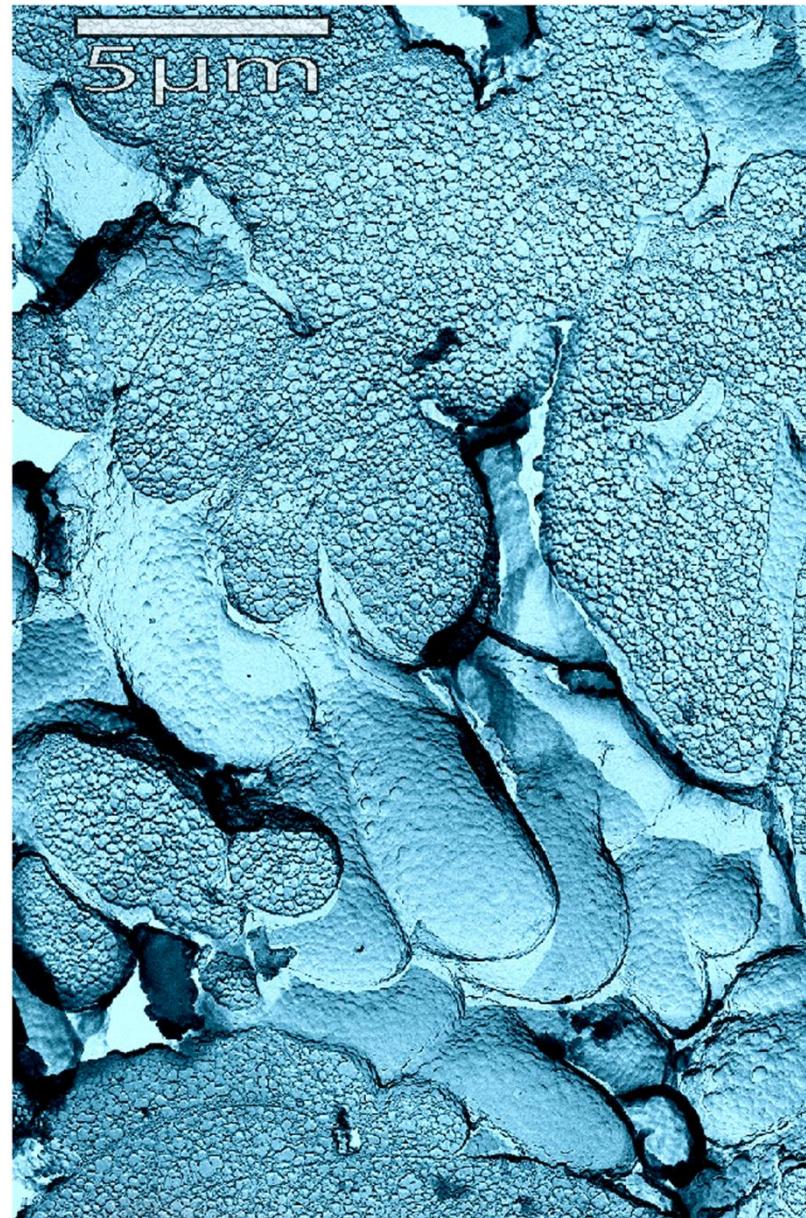
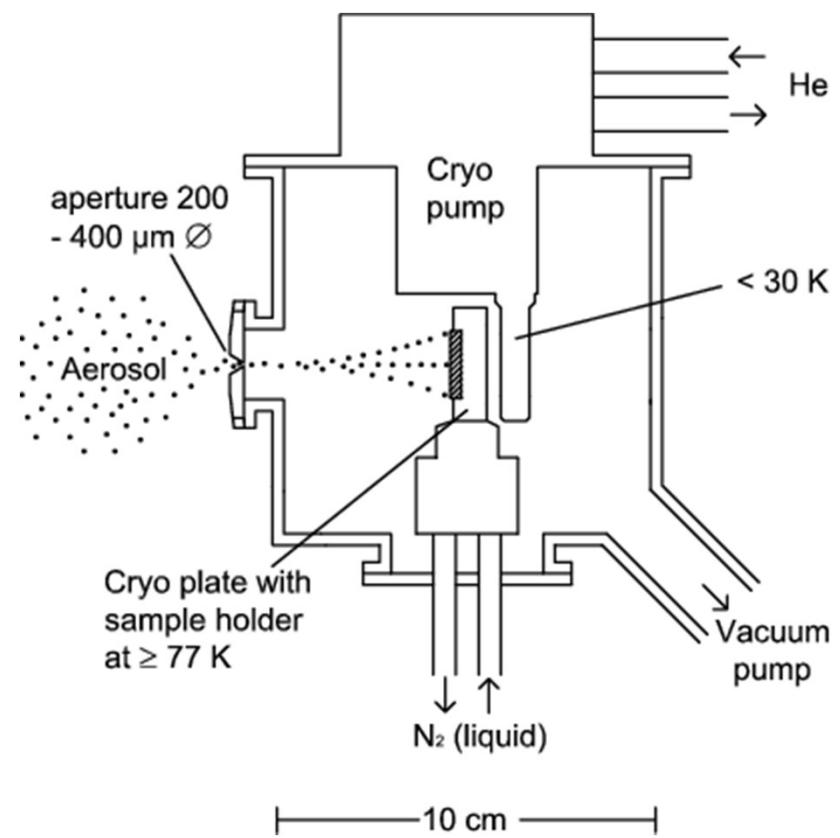
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# **HYPERQUENCHED GLASSY WATER (HGW)**

## Ambient and Subambient Pressure



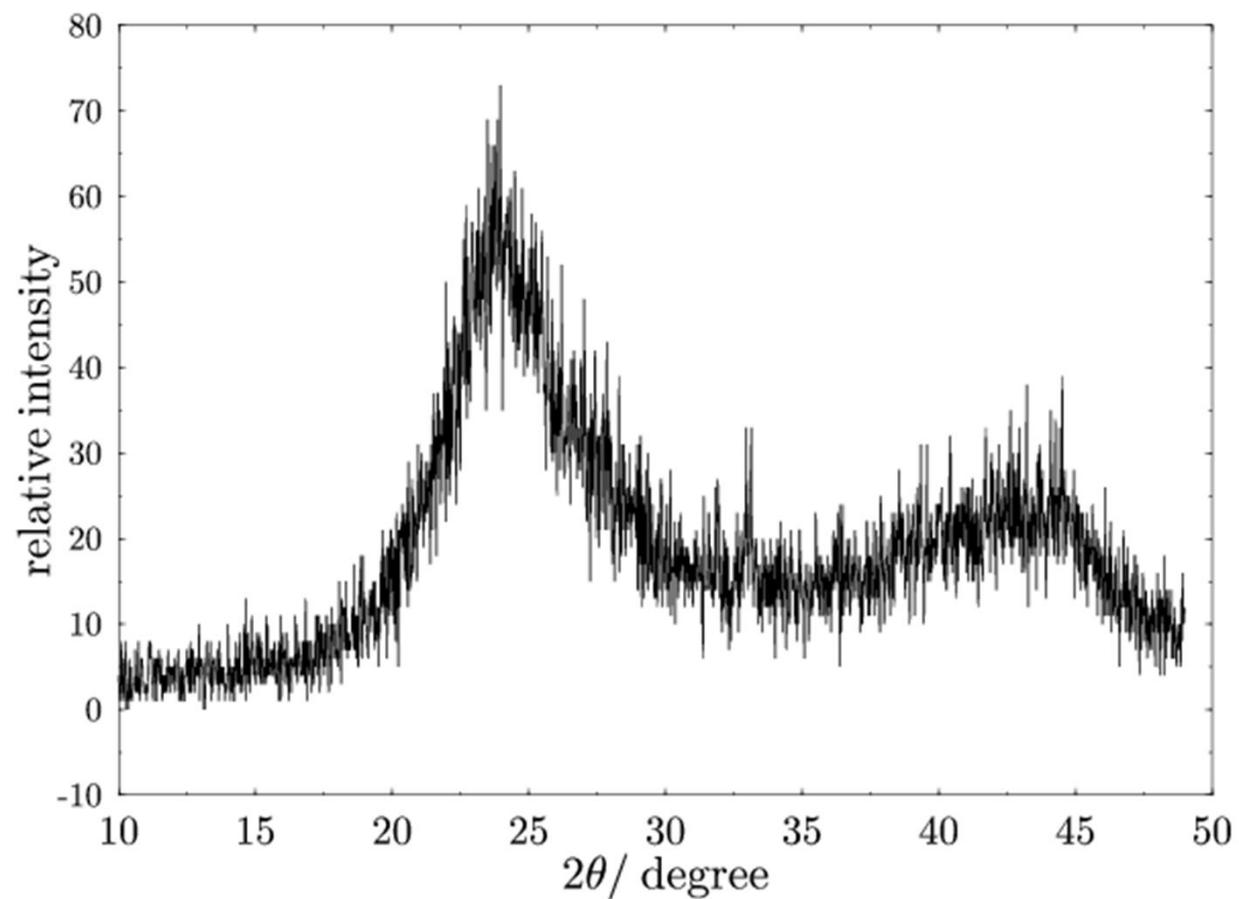
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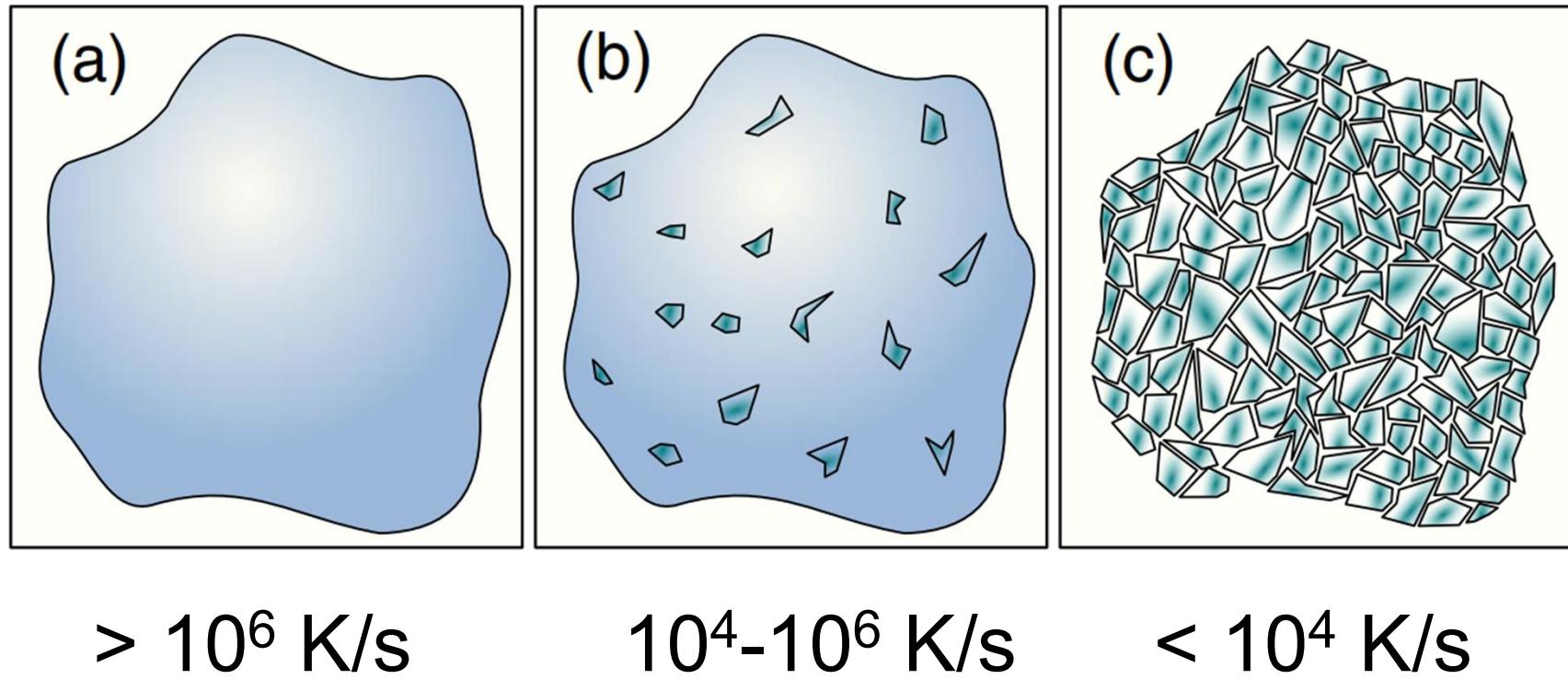


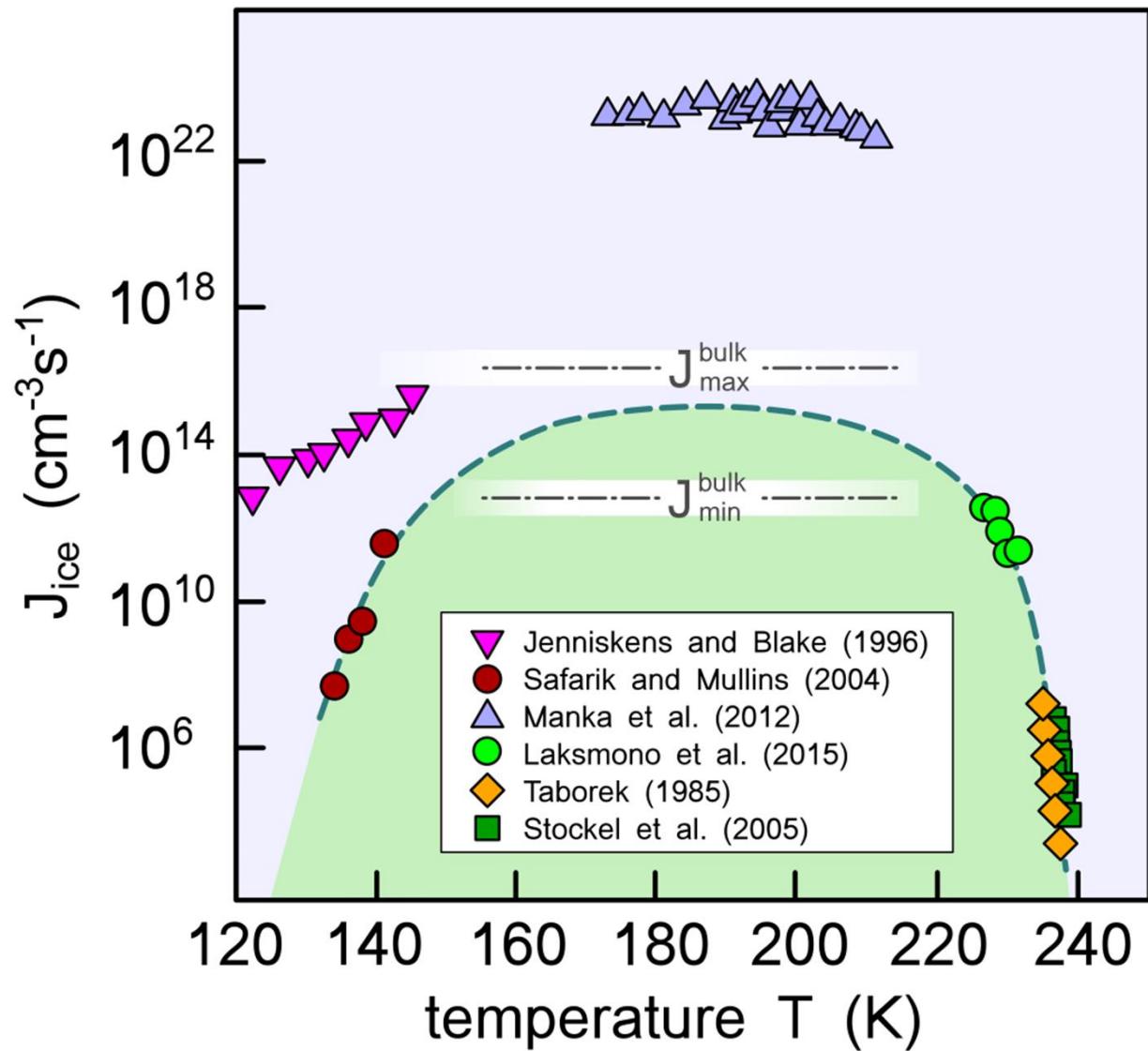
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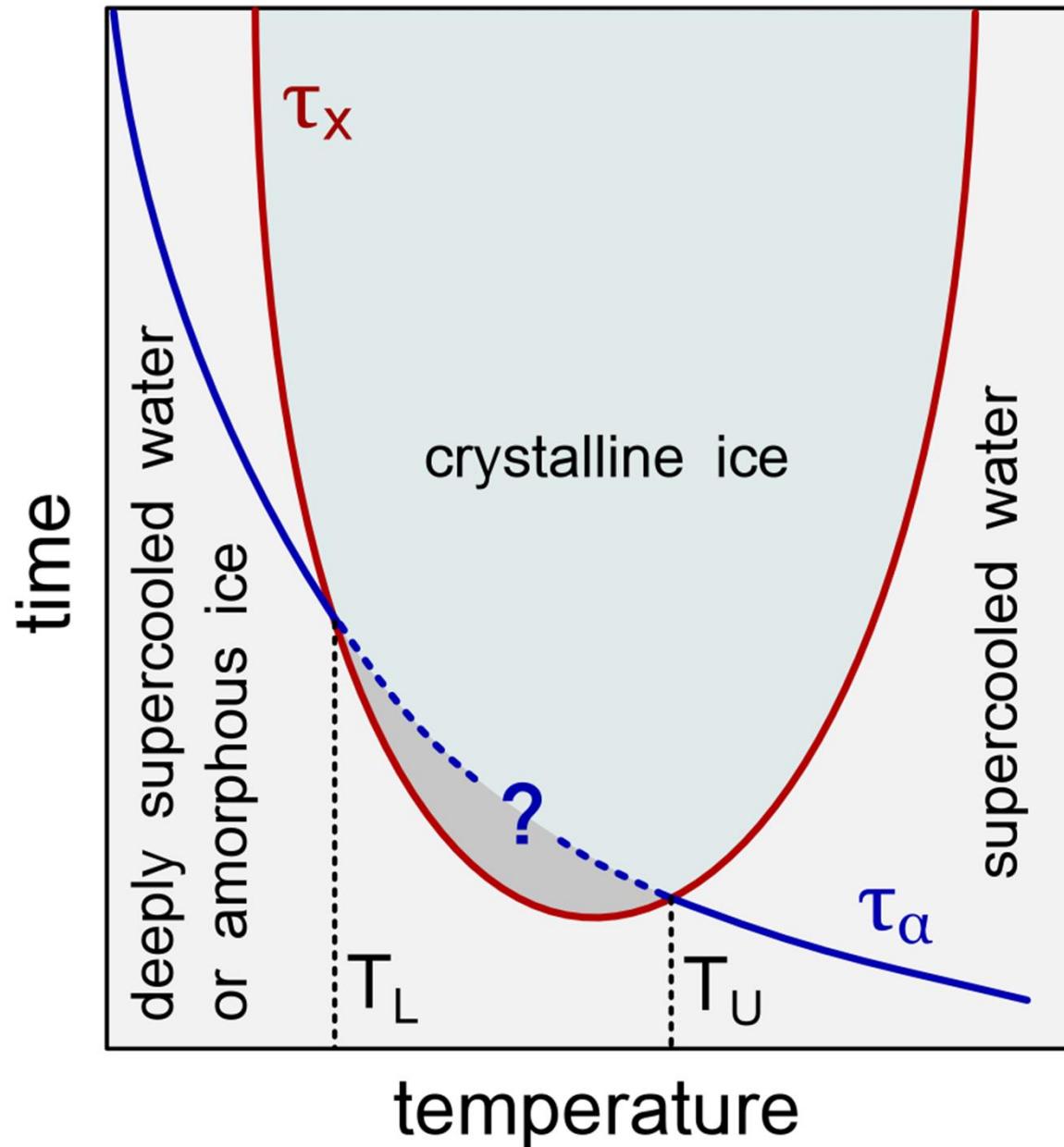
HGW cooled at  $> 10^6$  K/s = ASW



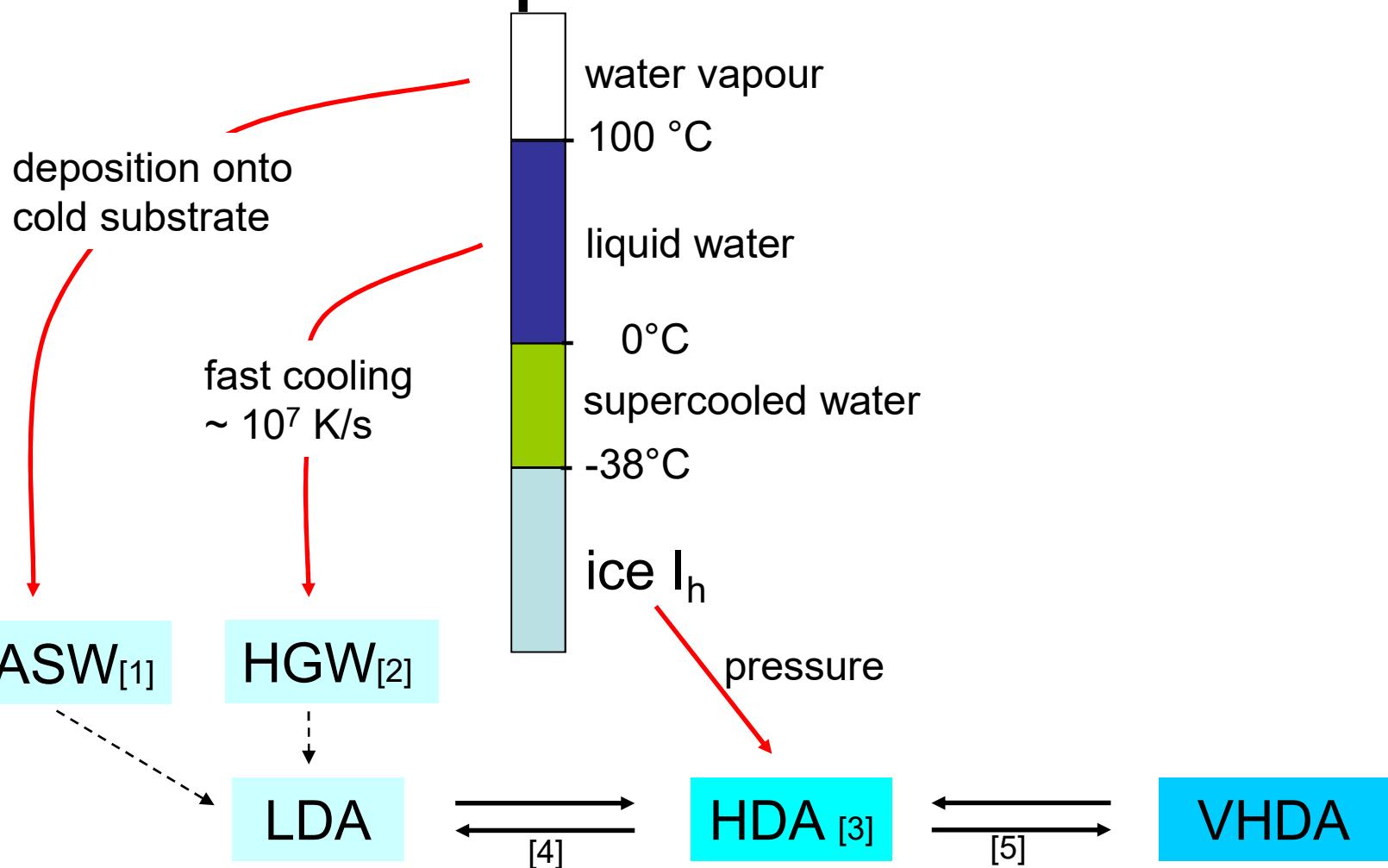




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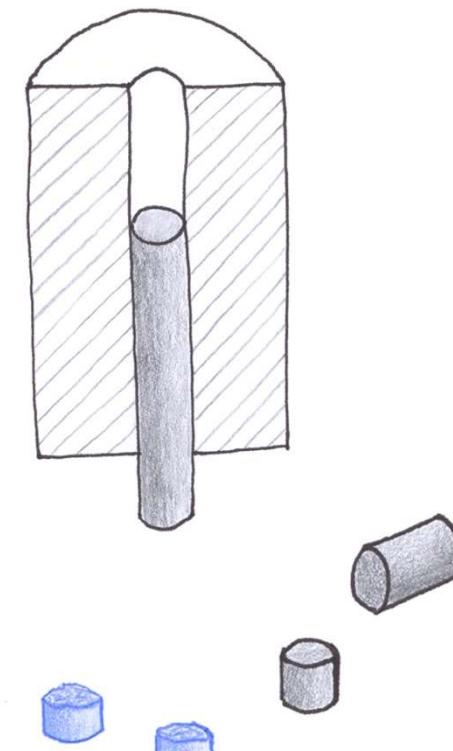
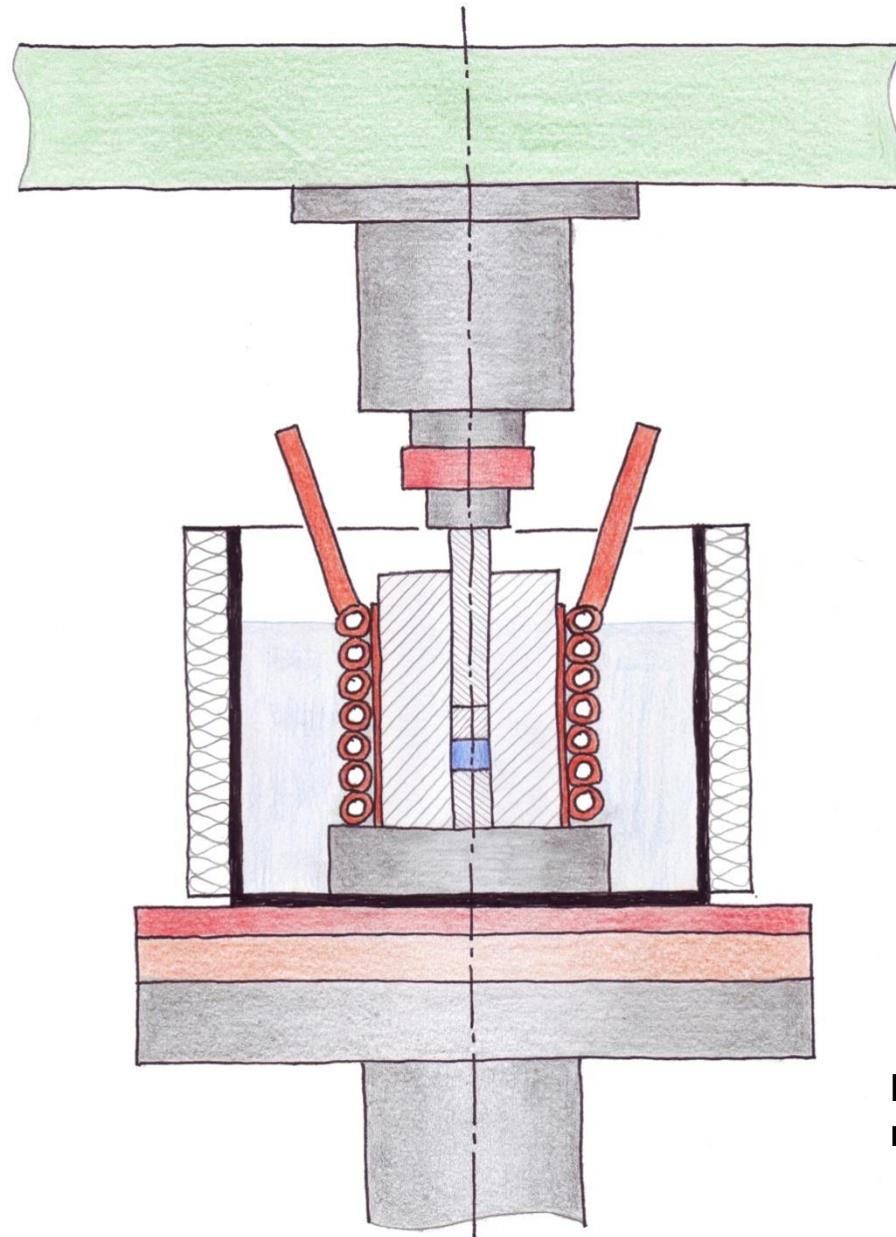
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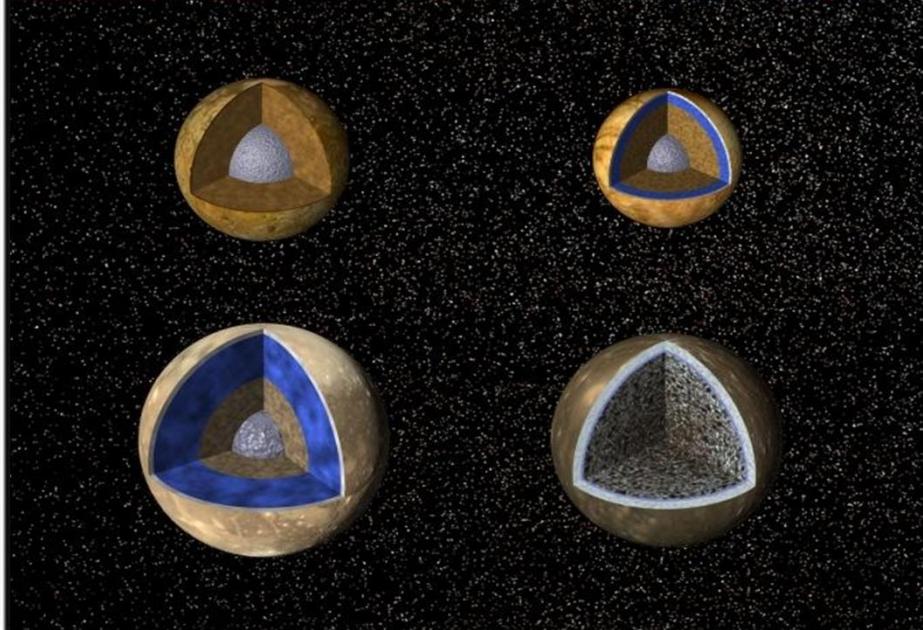
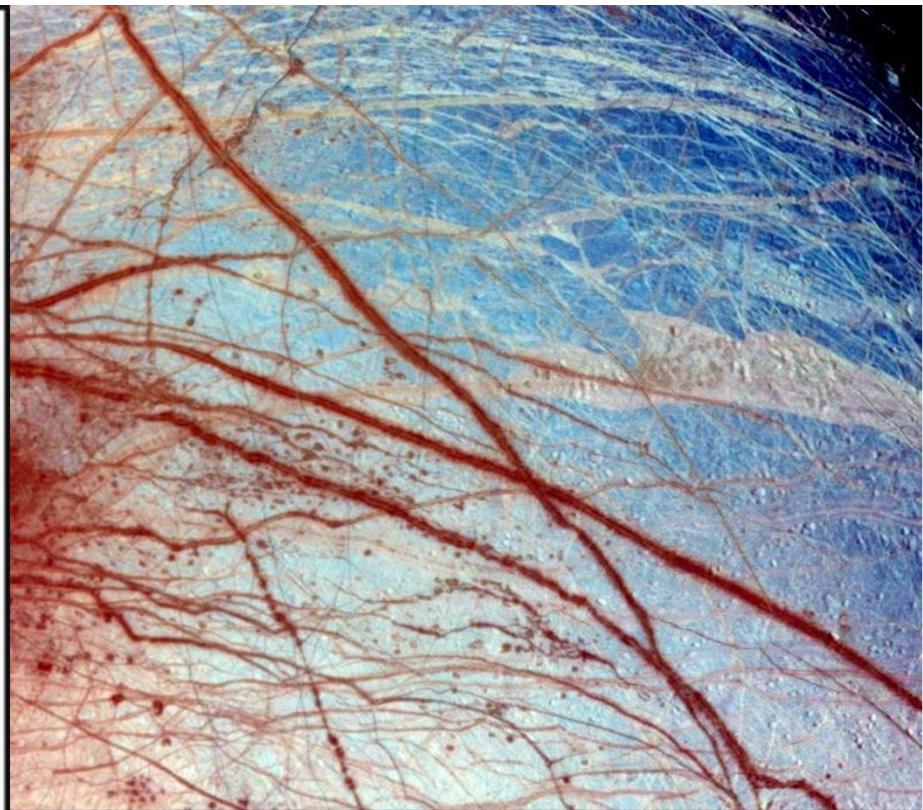
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# **HIGH-DENSITY AMORPHOUS ICE (HDA)**

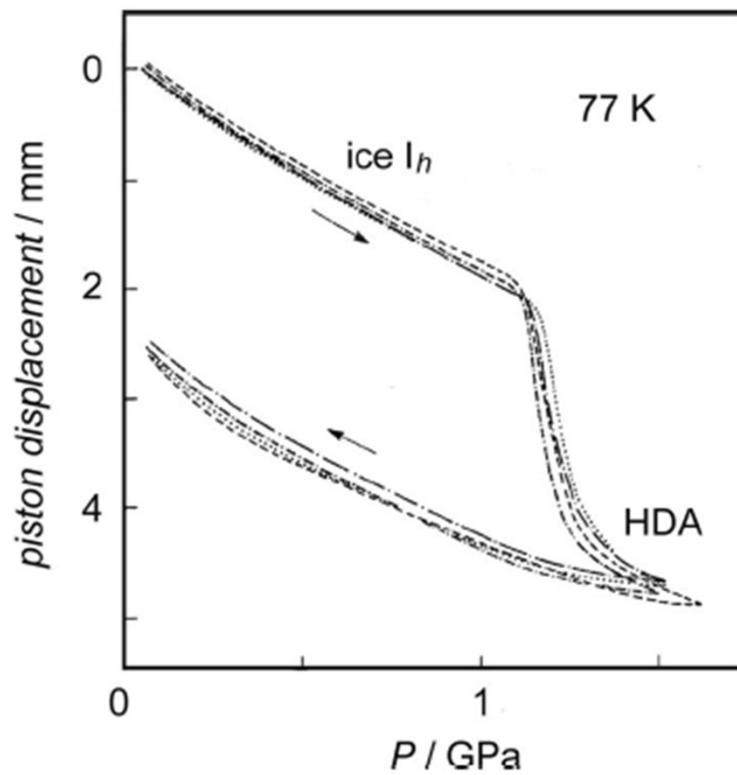




**Phase Transformation to High Pressure Phases:  
requires at least 100 MPa (10 km of ice column)**

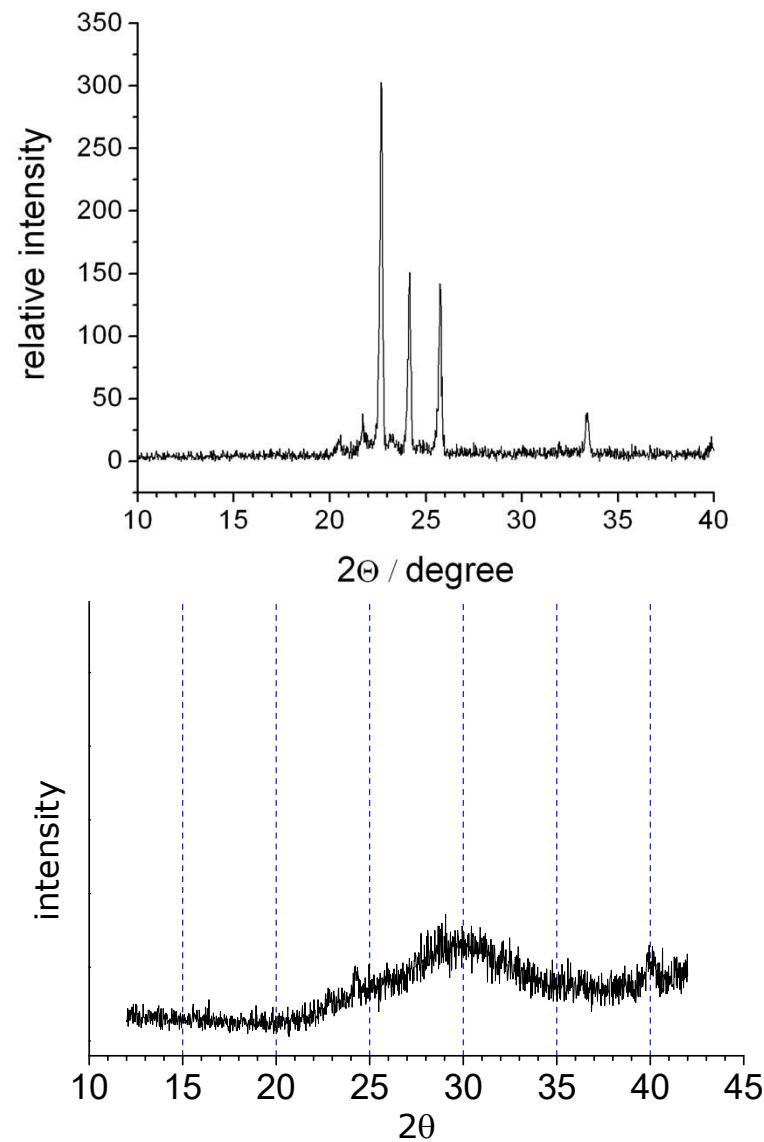


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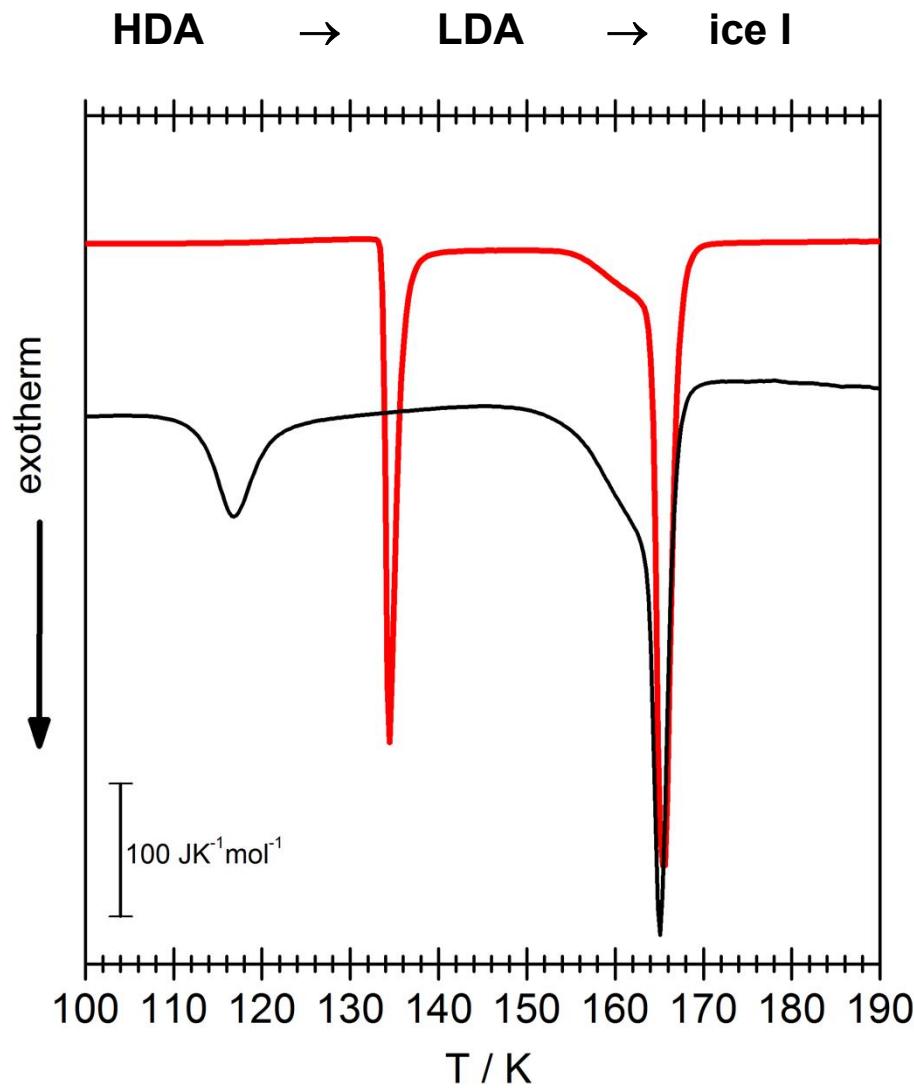
$$\rho \approx 1.15 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$$

O. Mishima et al.; Nature 1984; 310, 393-395

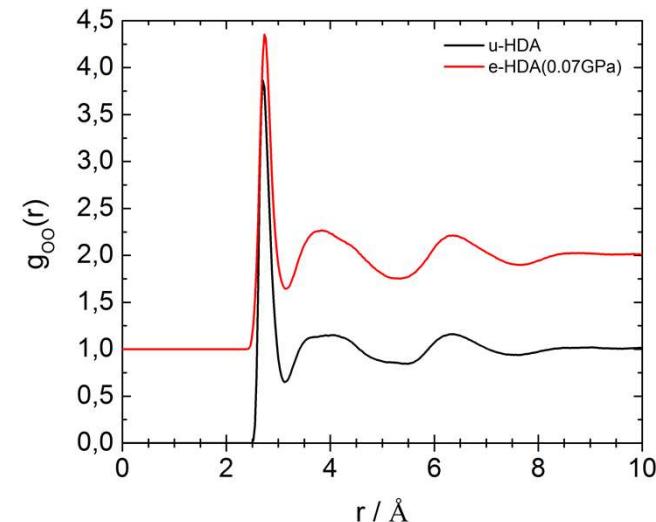


Pressure induced amorphization!

# Unrelaxed (uHDA) vs. Relaxed HDA (eHDA)

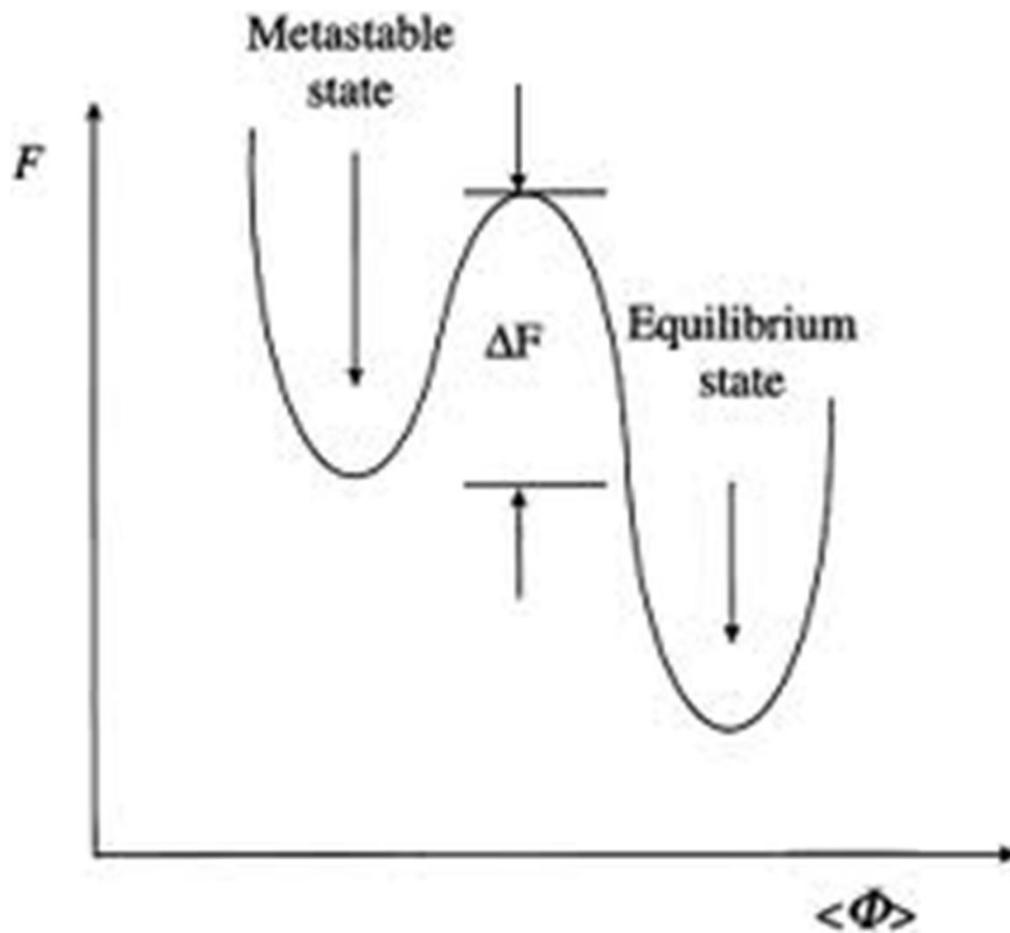


Heating rate: 10 K/min  
Transition temperatures:  
**e-HDA: 133 K**  
**u-HDA: 112 K**

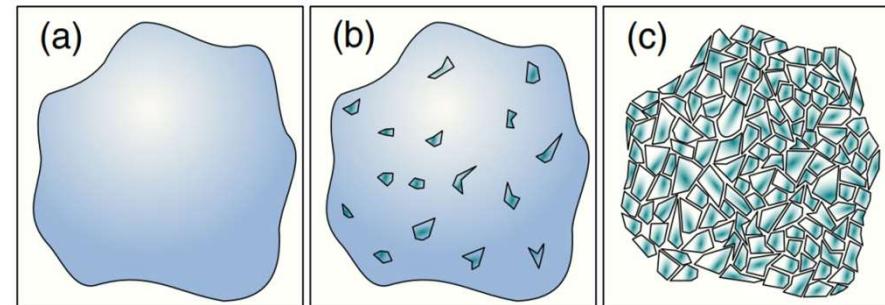
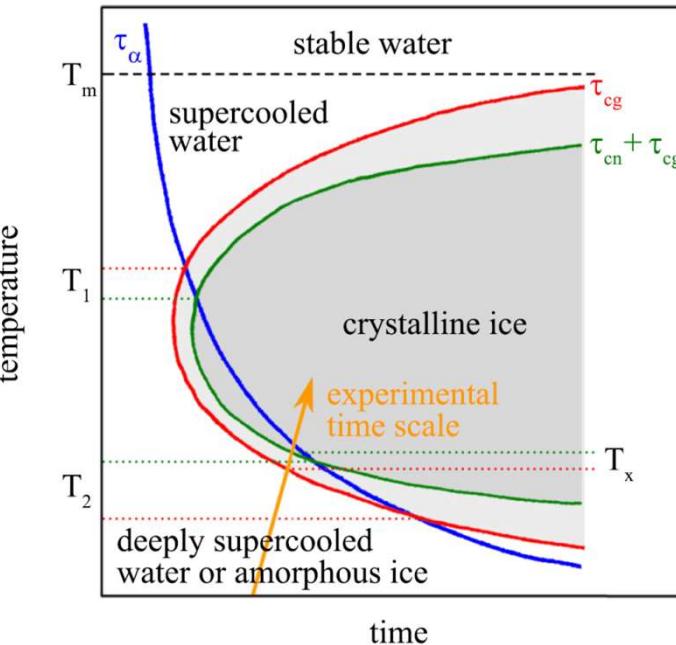
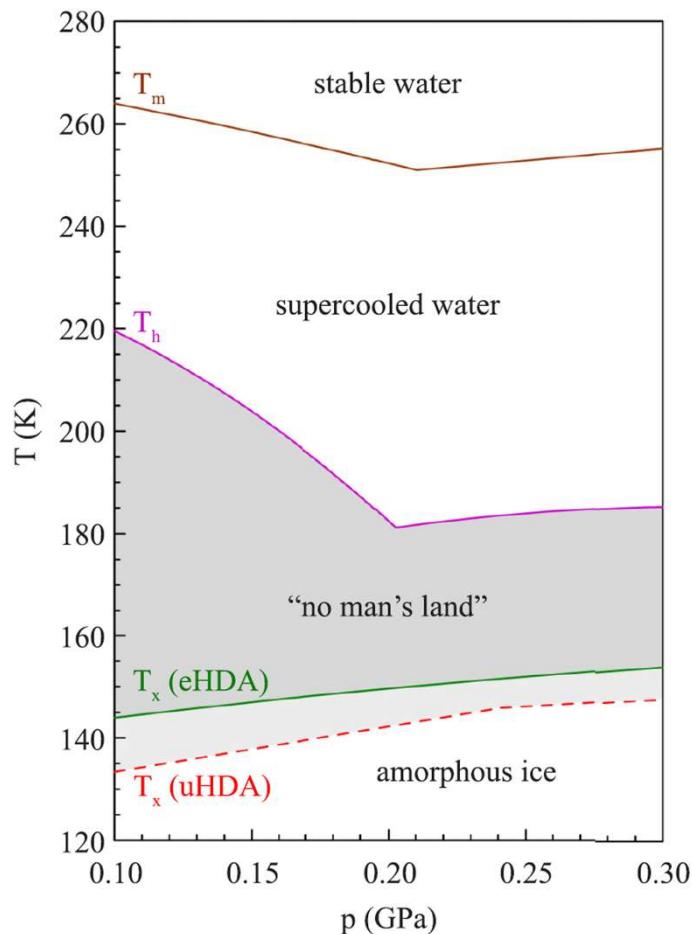


Loerting et al., PCCP, 13, 2011

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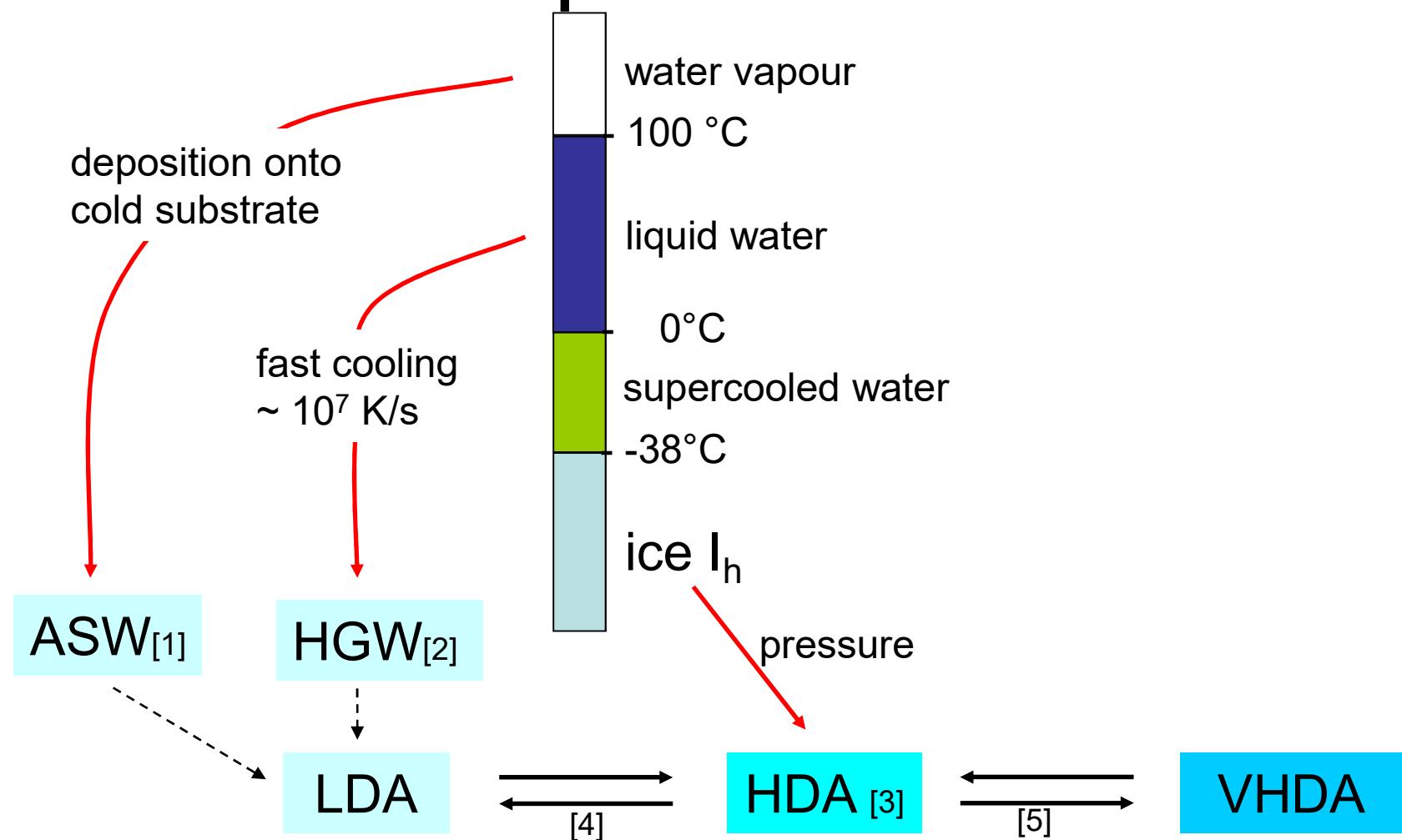


# Shrinking no man's land



eHDA    uHDA

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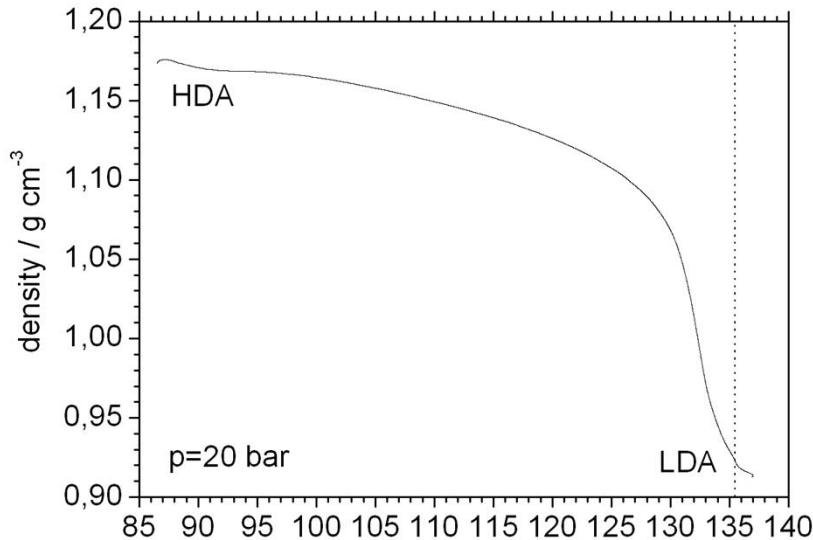
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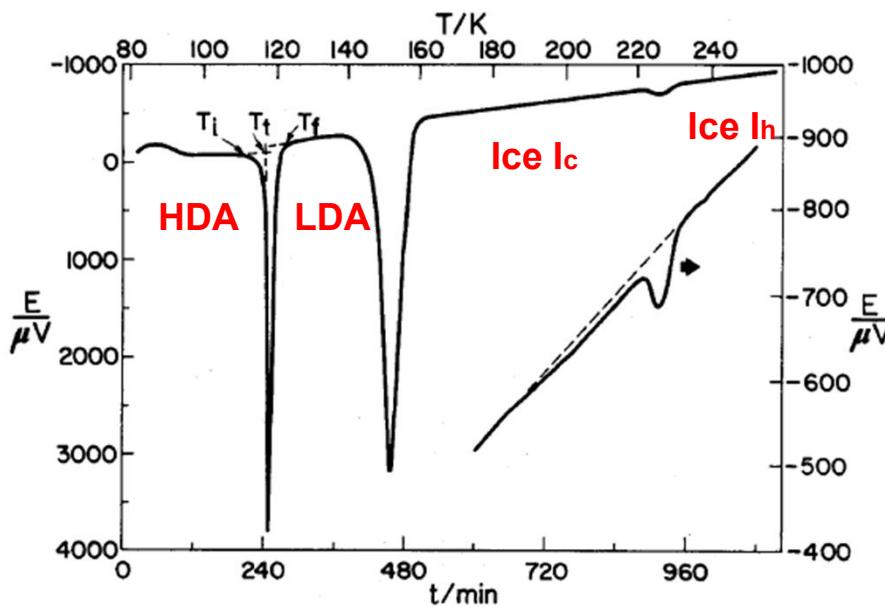
# **LOW-DENSITY AMORPHOUS ICE (LDA)**

# Low-Density Amorphous Ice (LDA): amorphous-amorphous transition

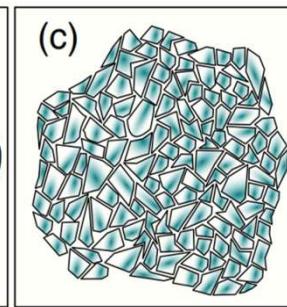
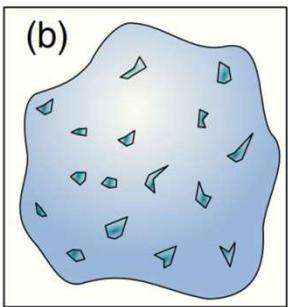
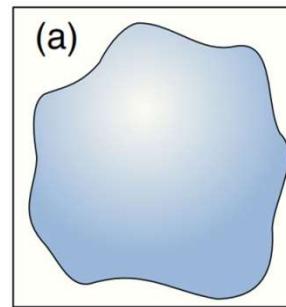


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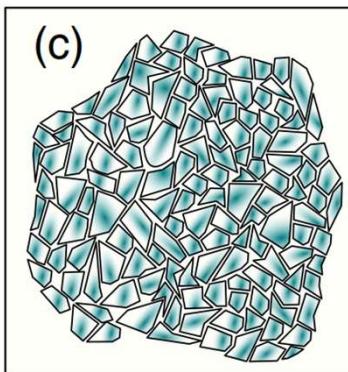
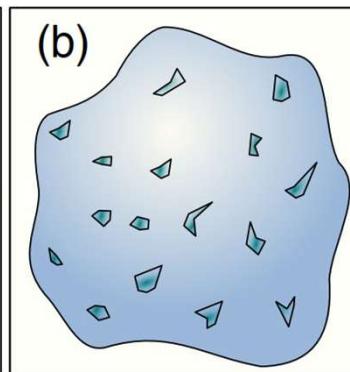
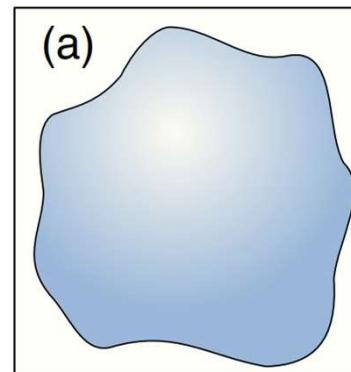
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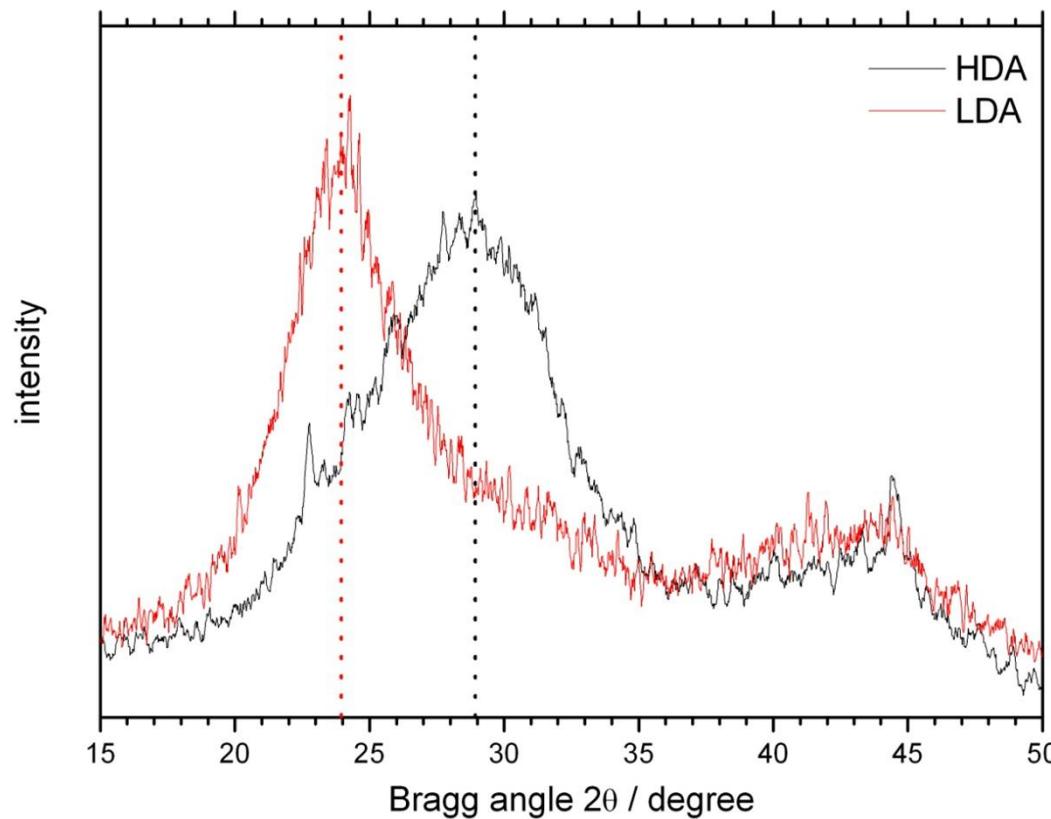
eHDA uHDA



LDA-II

LDA-I

# Poly-amorphism



## Poly-amorphism: Low Density Amorphous Ice (LDA)

LDA

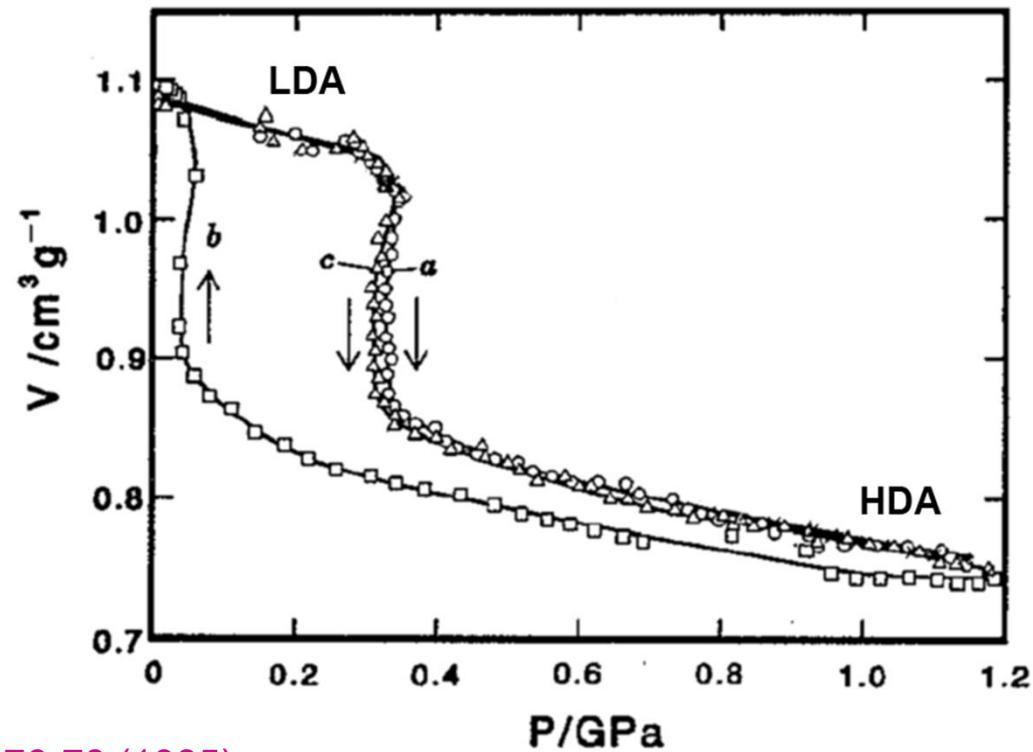
HDA

“apparently first-order<sup>\*)</sup>

$$\rho \approx 0.93 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$$

compression and  
decompression

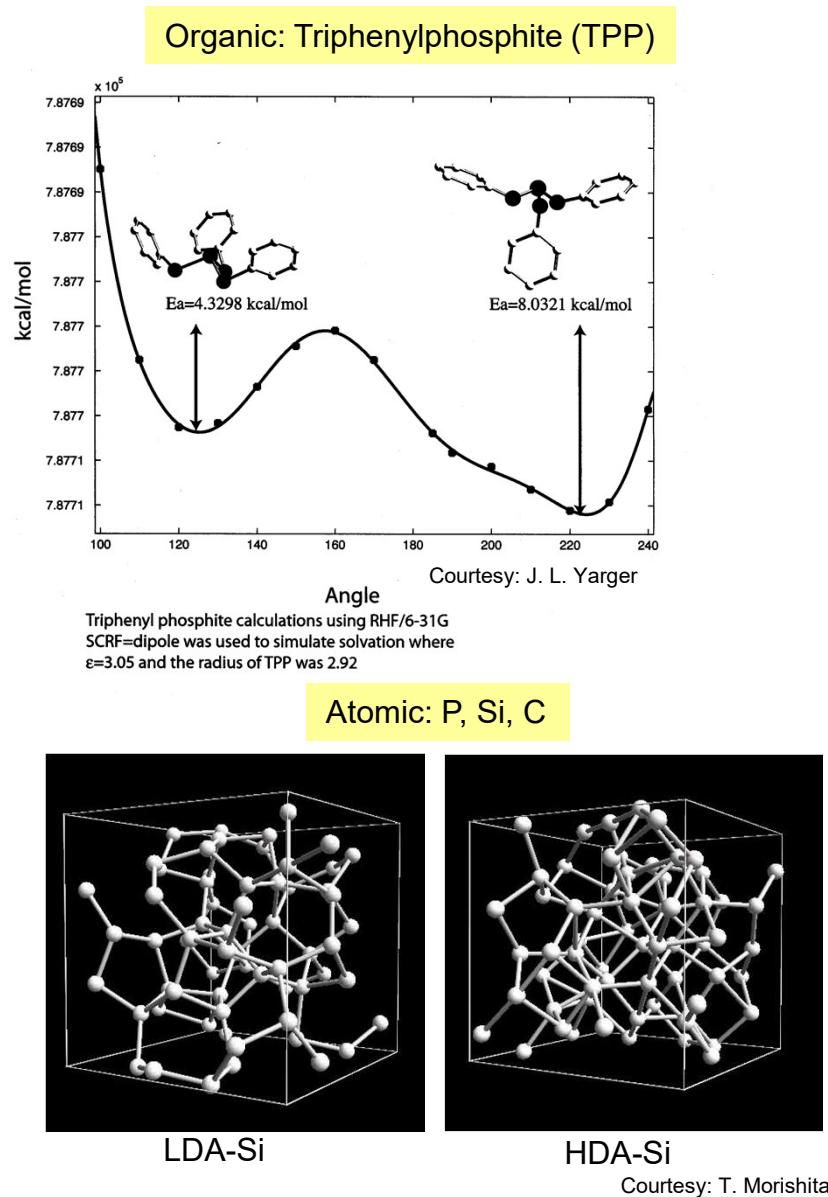
T = 130 – 140 K



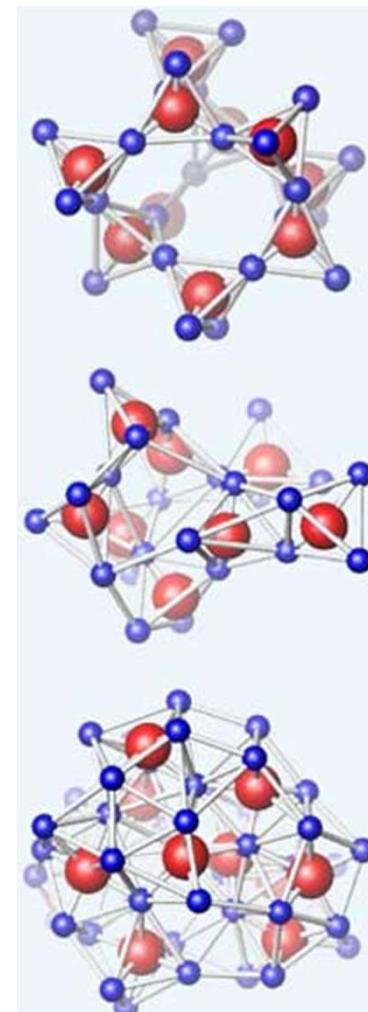
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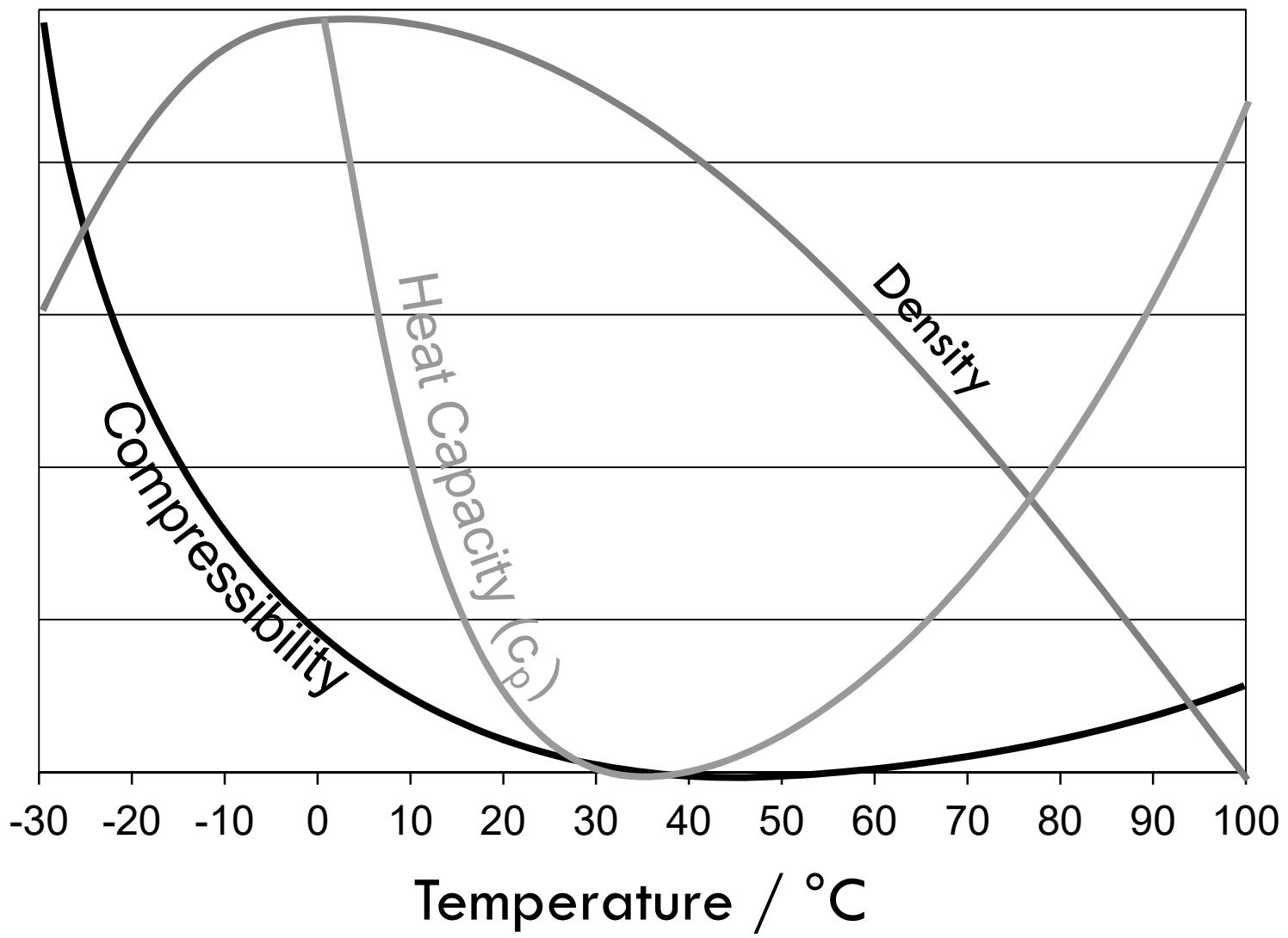
# Correlation: Poly-amorphism $\leftrightarrow$ Anomalous Liquids



**Open Tetrahedral Networks:  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{GeO}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$**

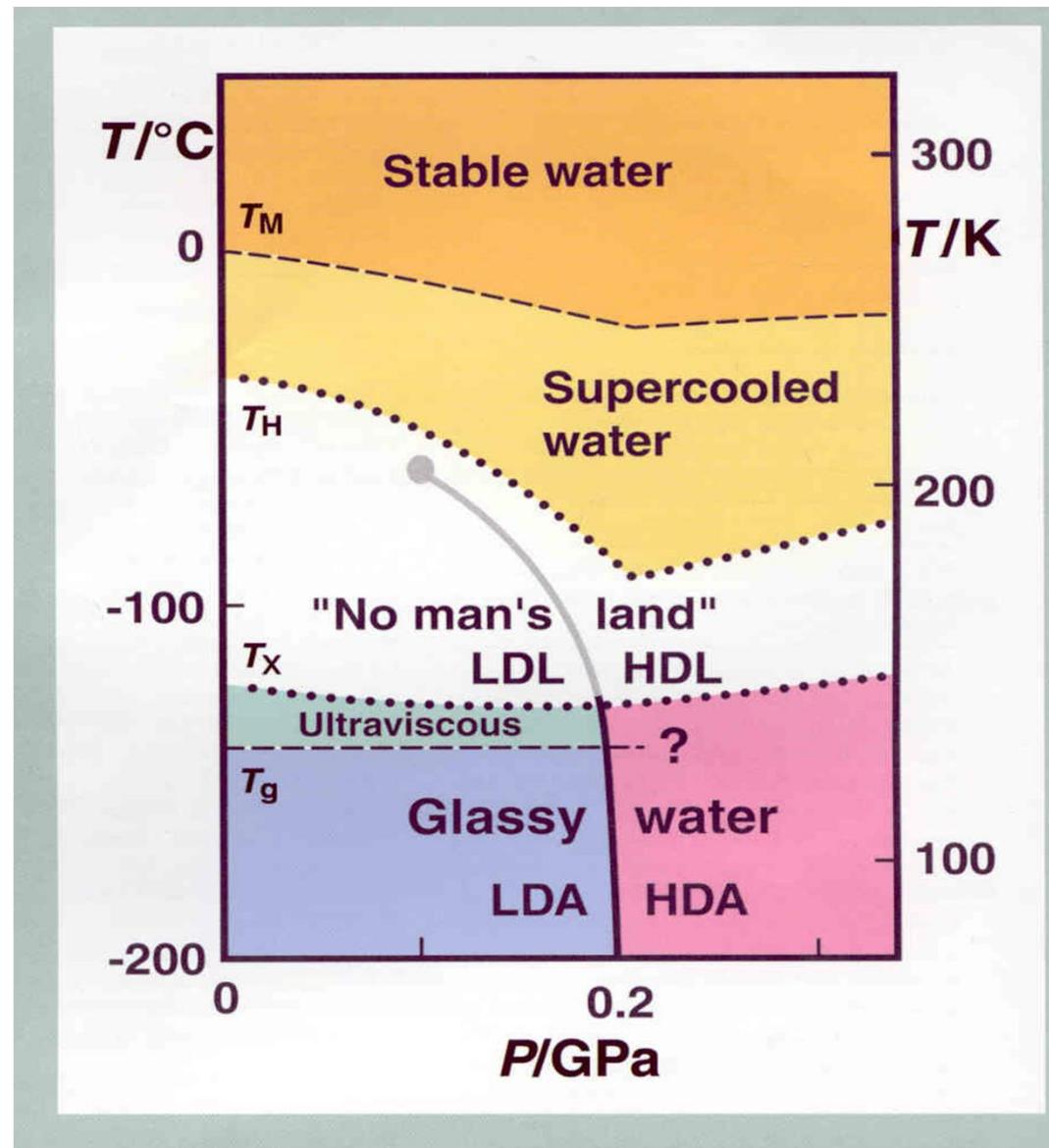


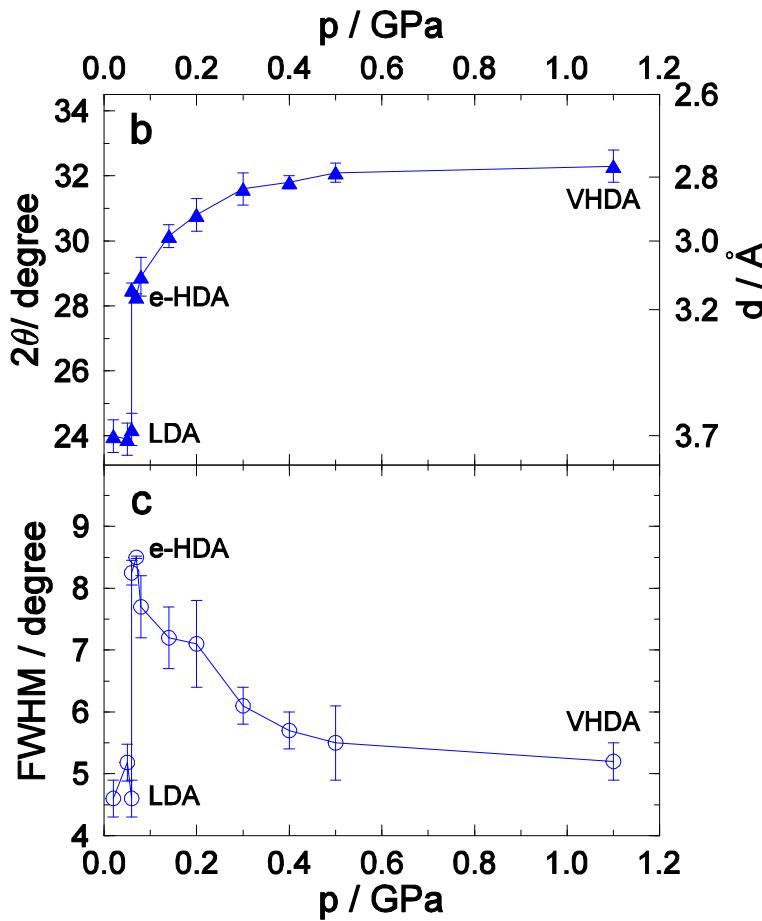
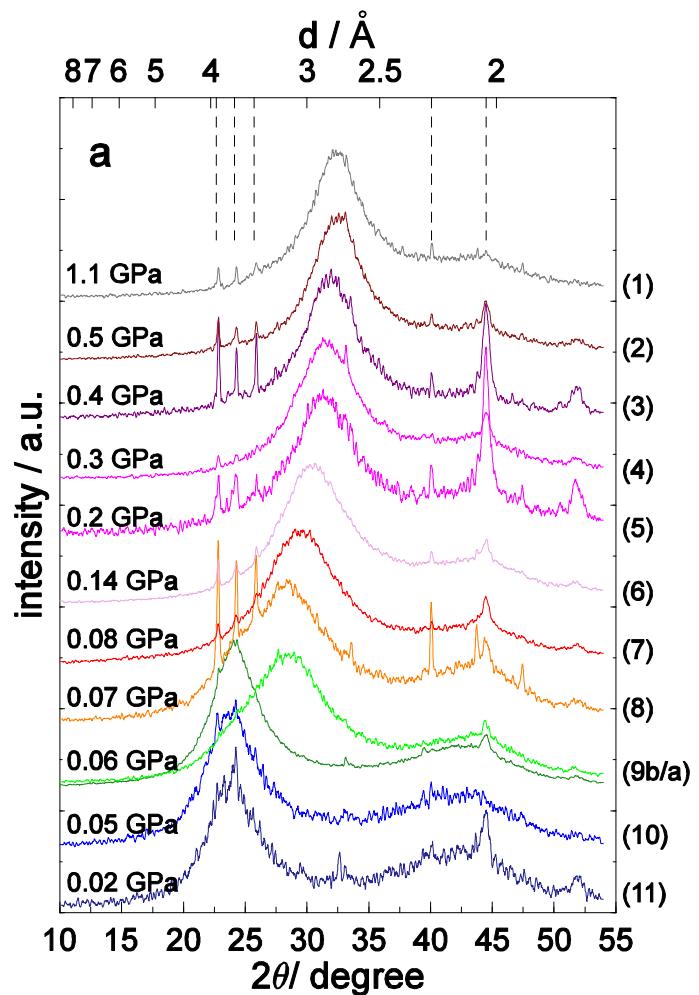
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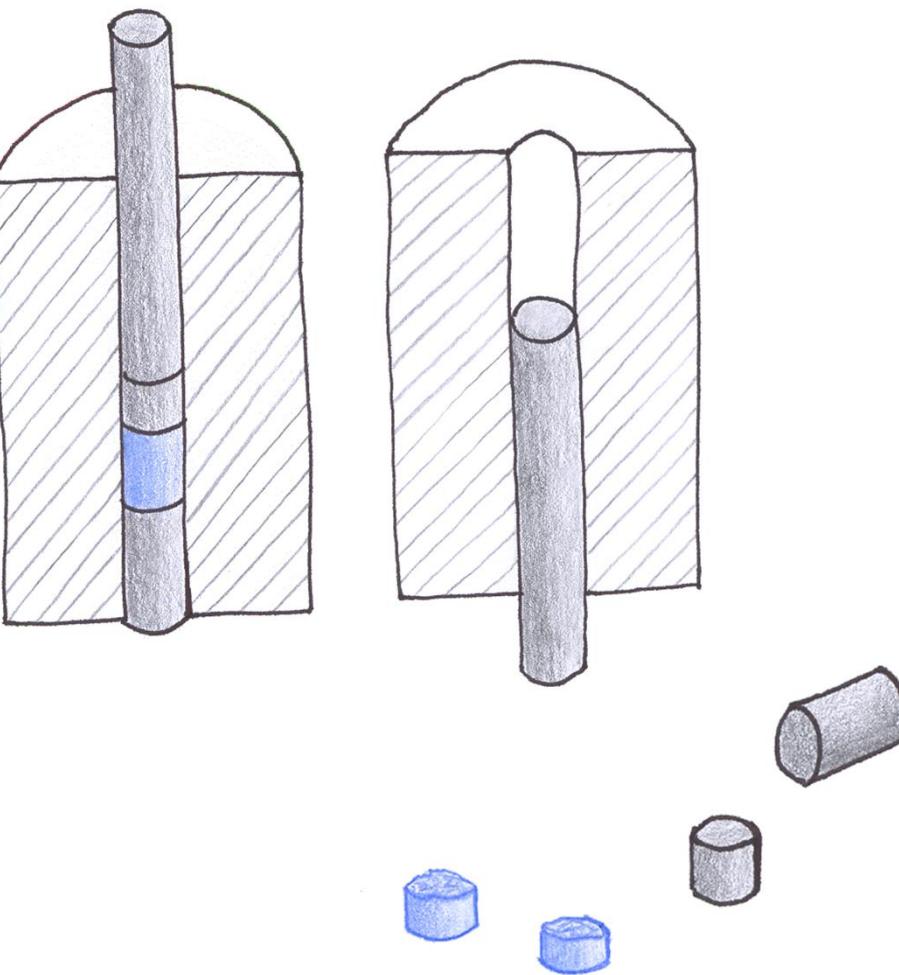
# Phasediagram of Non-Crystalline Water

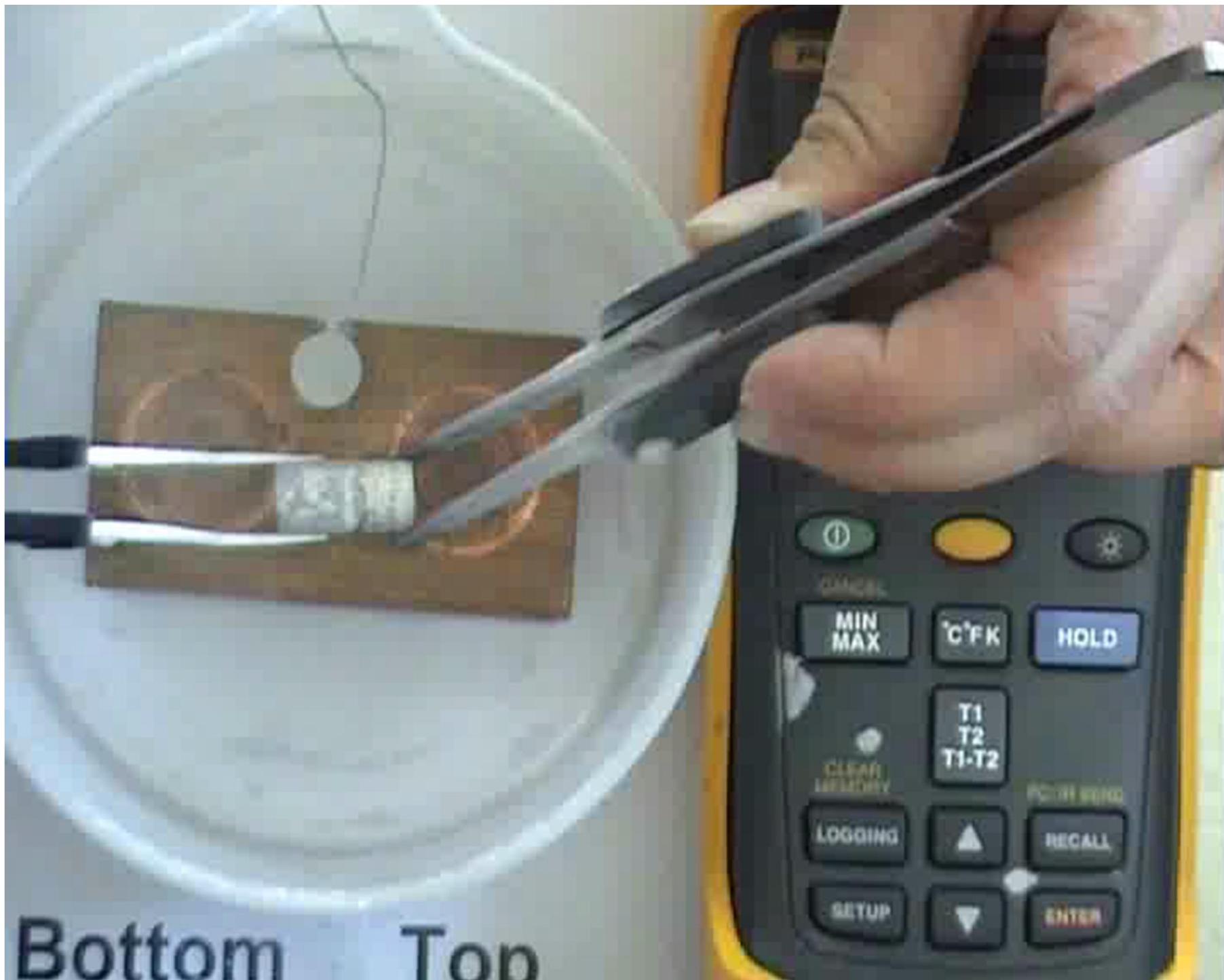




LDA

HDA





Bottom

Top

# One substance, two liquids?

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Water, like any other liquid, can be supercooled — cooled below its freezing point without crystallizing. The physical properties of supercooled water are unusual: the lower its temperature, the easier it is to compress, and the more pronounced its anomalous tendency to expand when cooled. Most other liquids contract when cooled, and are more difficult to compress the lower their temperature. As if these characteristics were not peculiar enough, on page 164 of this issue<sup>1</sup>, Mishima and Stanley offer new evidence for the notion that two different forms of supercooled water may coexist. Although coexistence of liquid mixtures with different compositions is common, a phase transition between two liquid forms of a pure substance, both lacking long-range order, has never been observed.

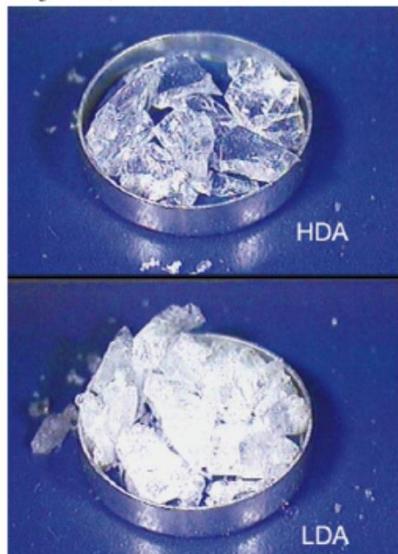


Figure 1 The two forms of glassy water. LDA is formed by rapidly cooling water at atmospheric pressure; HDA is formed by compressing either LDA or ordinary ice at low temperature. These amorphous solids might be able to coexist, as might two structurally similar liquid waters, LDL and HDL.

When liquid water is cooled fast enough to avoid crystallization, it forms a glass<sup>2</sup>. Such vitreous water is found as frost on interstellar dust in dense molecular clouds, and comets are made of it<sup>3</sup>. In 1985, Mishima and co-workers<sup>4</sup> proposed the existence of a transition between two forms of glassy water: low-density and high-density amorphous ice (LDA and HDA; Fig. 1). They observed

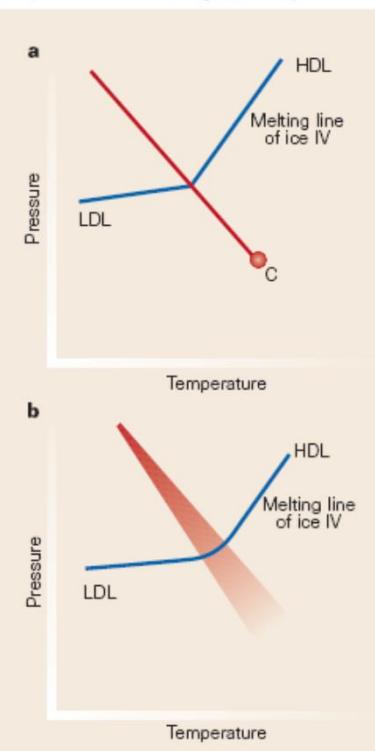
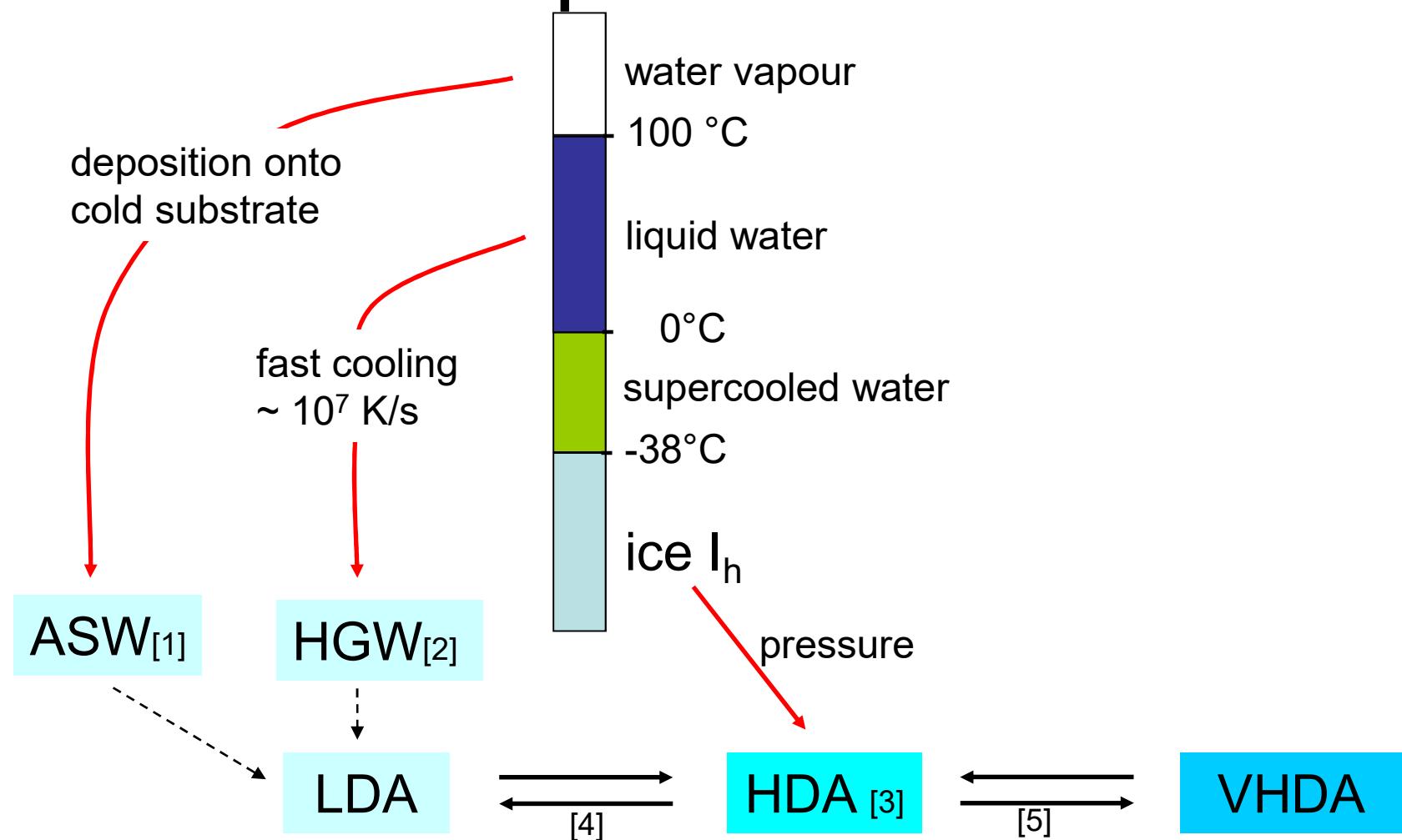


Figure 2 The melting line of ice IV. The sharp change in its slope implies a sudden change in the density and entropy of liquid water<sup>1</sup>. This could occur, (a) along a line of coexistence between a low-density and a high-density liquid (LDL, HDL), terminating at a critical point<sup>5</sup>, C; or (b) over a limited range of temperatures and pressures that becomes progressively narrower at low temperatures and high pressures<sup>7</sup>.

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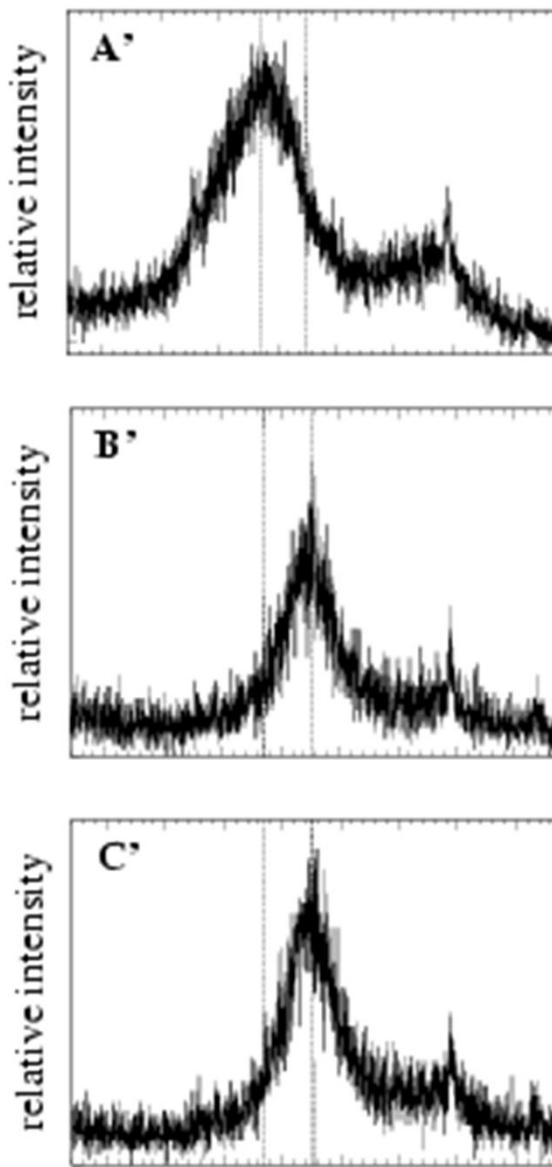
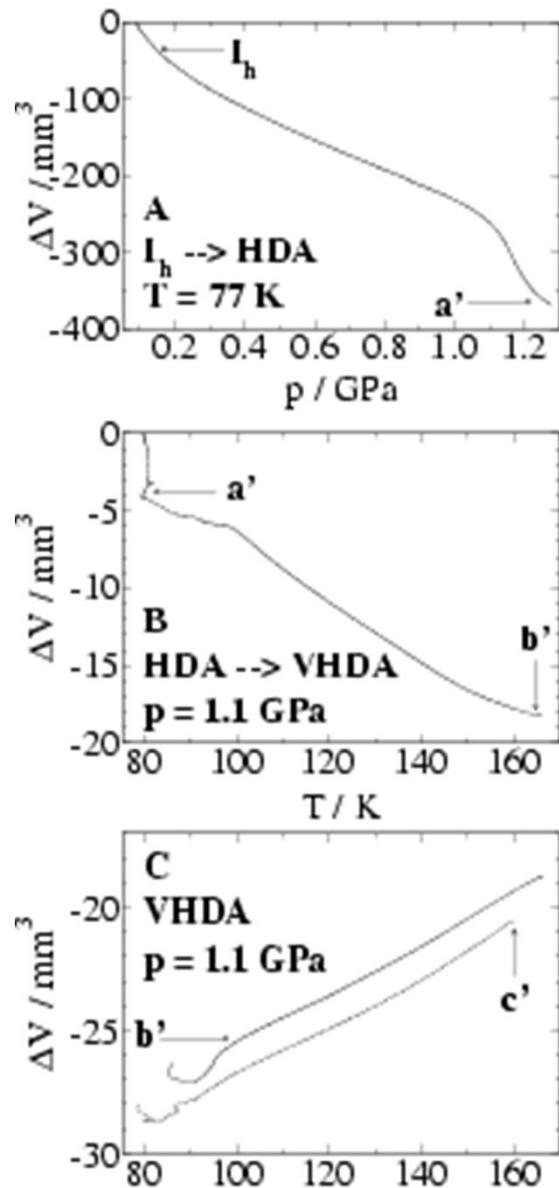
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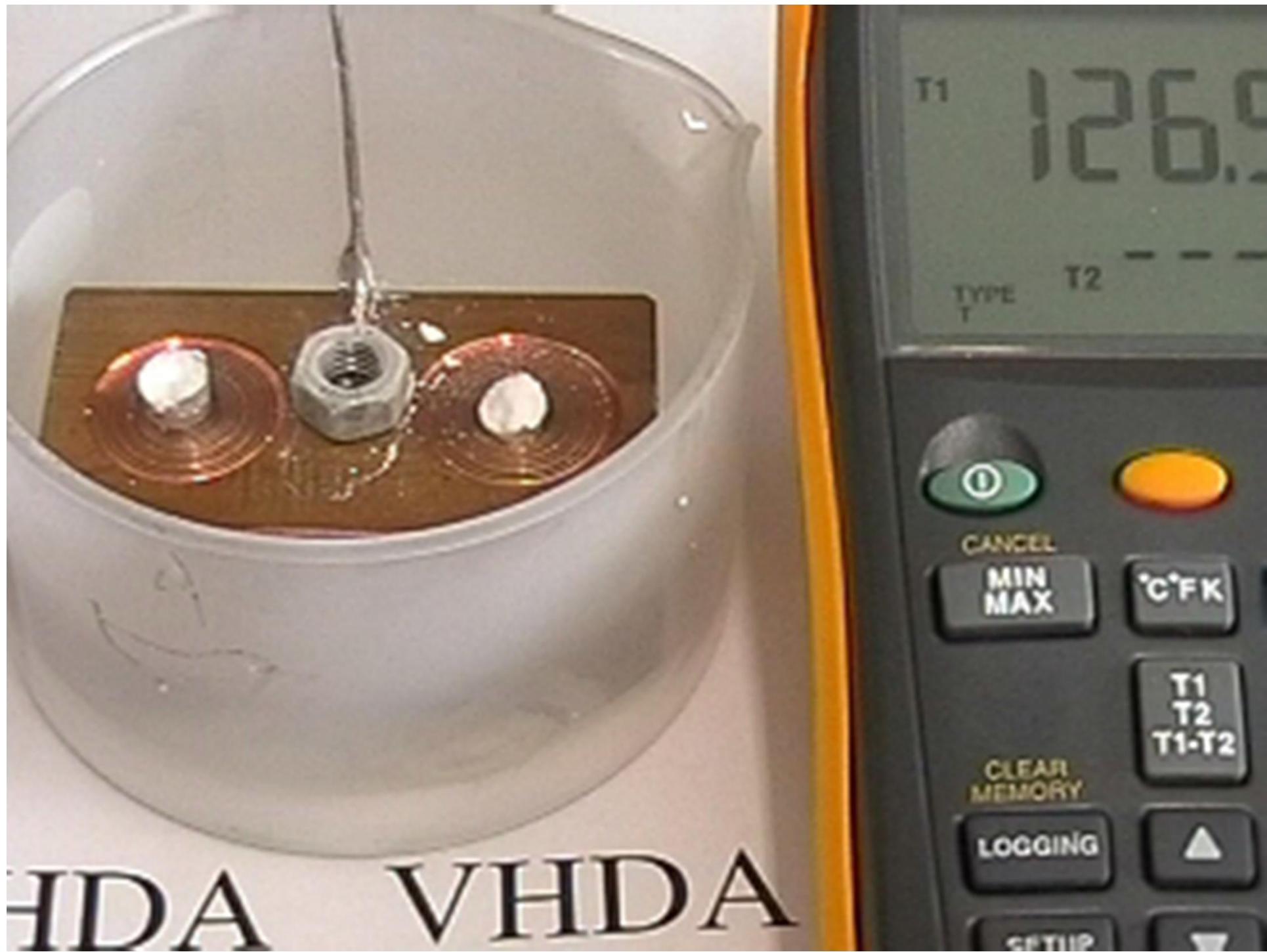
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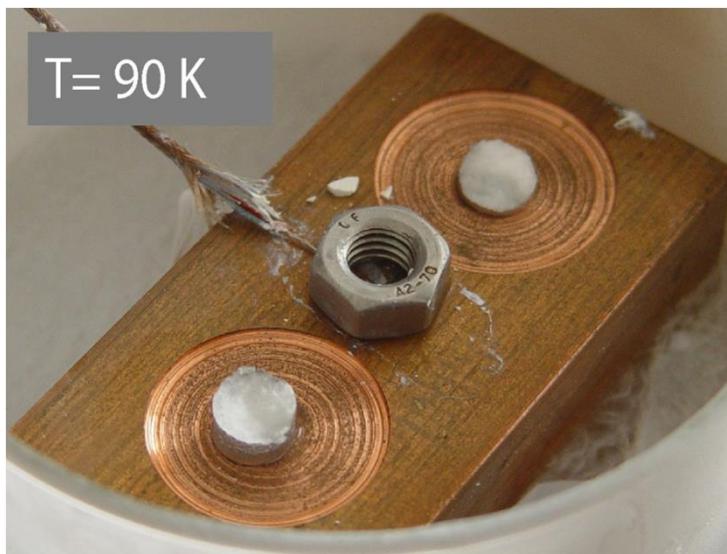
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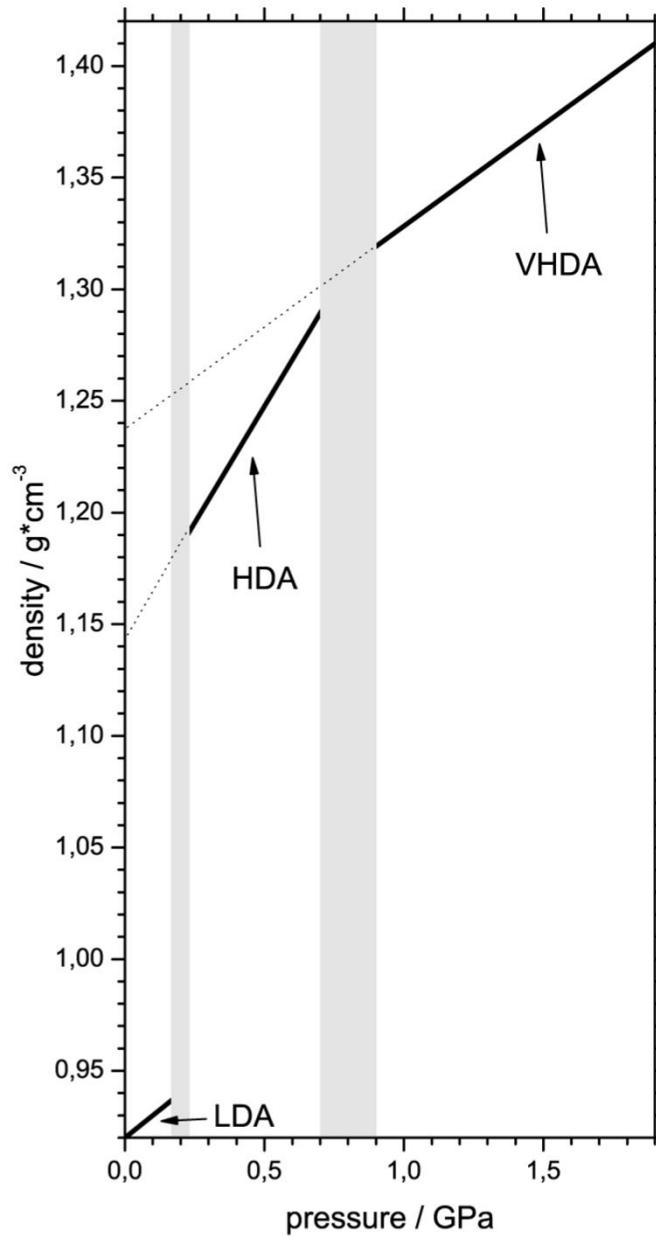
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# Relaxing amorphous ices at different pressures

