

# Deuterated amidogen in the laboratory and in Space

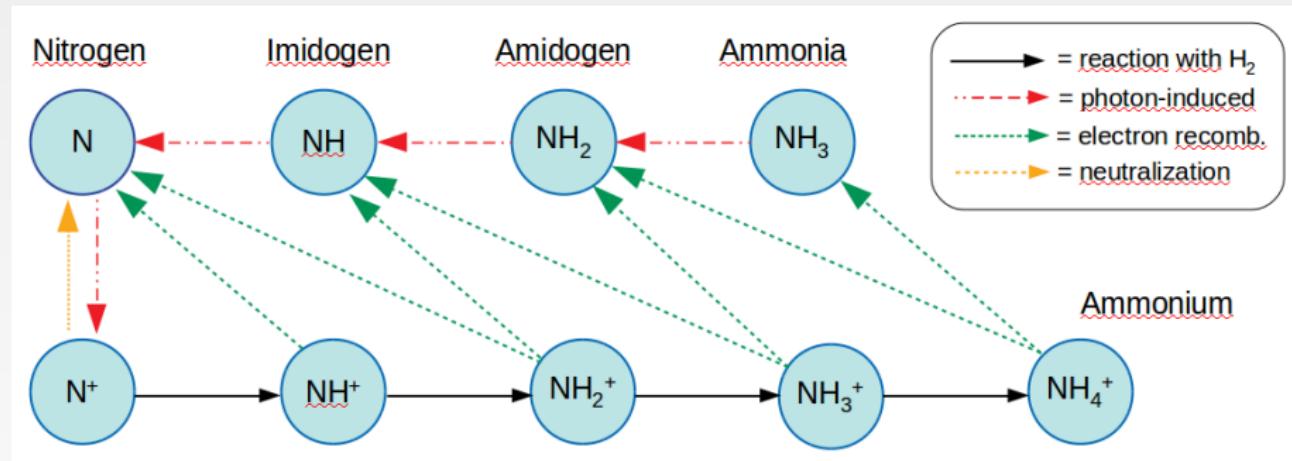
*Detection of NHD and ND<sub>2</sub> in space*

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# N + H “initial” chemical network



From Gerin, Neufeld and Goicoechea (2016), ARA&A, 54:181.

# The family of neutral N hydrides

- = studied / detected
- = not detected
- = studied by CAS/coll
- = first time by CAS/coll



Imidogen	ASTRO	LAB
NH	✓	✓
ND	✓	✗
$^{15}\text{NH}$	✗	✗
$^{15}\text{ND}$	✗	★

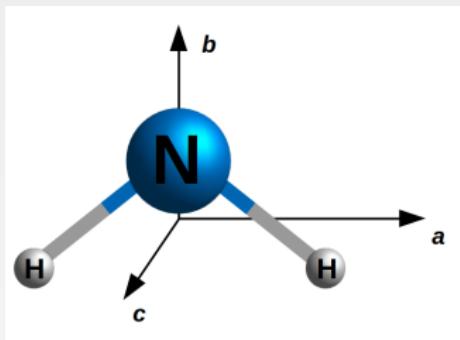


Amidogen	ASTRO	LAB
$\text{NH}_2$	✓	✓
NHD	✗	✗
$\text{ND}_2$	✗	✗
$^{15}\text{NH}_2$	✓	✓
$^{15}\text{NHD}$	✗	★
$^{15}\text{ND}_2$	✗	★



Ammonia	ASTRO	LAB
$\text{NH}_3$	✓	✗
$\text{NH}_2\text{D}$	✓	✗
$\text{NHD}_2$	✓	✓
$\text{ND}_3$	✓	✗
$^{15}\text{NH}_3$	✓	✓
$^{15}\text{NH}_2\text{D}$	✓	✓
$^{15}\text{NHD}_2$	✗	✓
$^{15}\text{ND}_3$	✗	✗

# Molecular and electronic structure of NH<sub>2</sub>

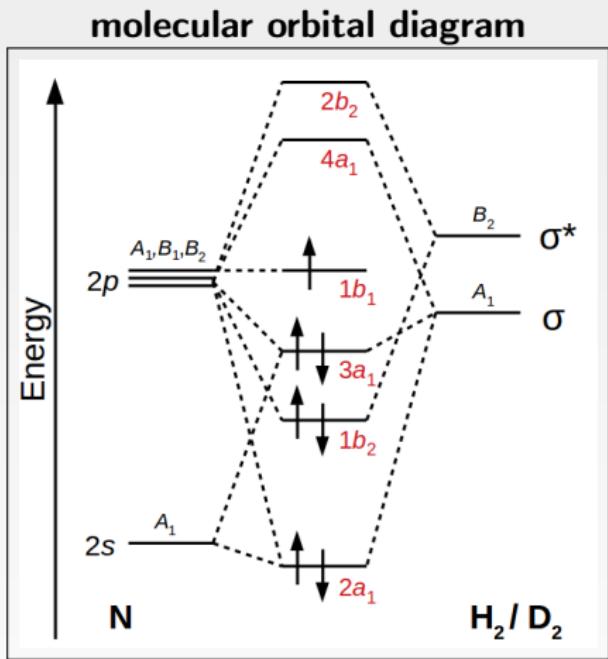


C<sub>2v</sub> symmetry

$$\mu_b = 1.82 \text{ D}$$

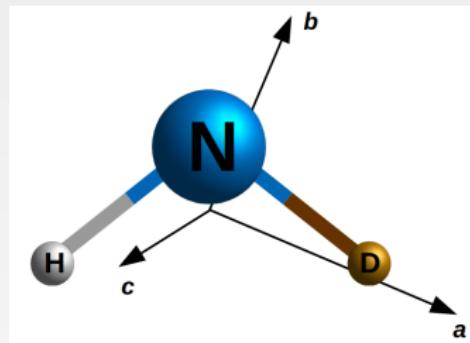
ortho/para statistical weights

C <sub>2v</sub>	E	C <sub>2</sub>	$\sigma_v$	$\sigma_{v'}$	
A <sub>1</sub>	1	1	1	1	a
A <sub>2</sub>	1	1	-1	-1	
B <sub>1</sub>	1	-1	1	-1	b
B <sub>2</sub>	1	-1	-1	1	c



$$(2a_1)^2(1b_2)^2(3a_1)^2(1b_1)^1 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^2B_1$$

# Molecular and electronic structure of NHD



$C_s$  symmetry

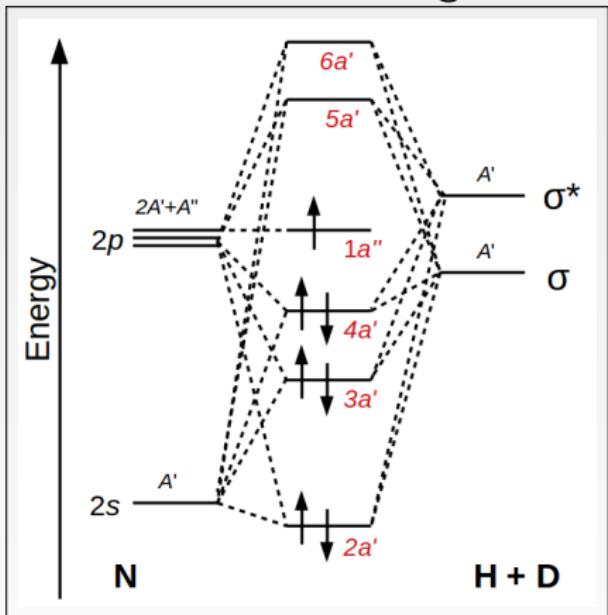
$$\mu_a = 0.67 \text{ D}$$

$$\mu_b = 1.69 \text{ D}$$

*ortho/para* statistical weights

$C_s$	$E$	$\sigma_h$	
$A'$	1	1	$b, c$
$A''$	1	-1	$a$

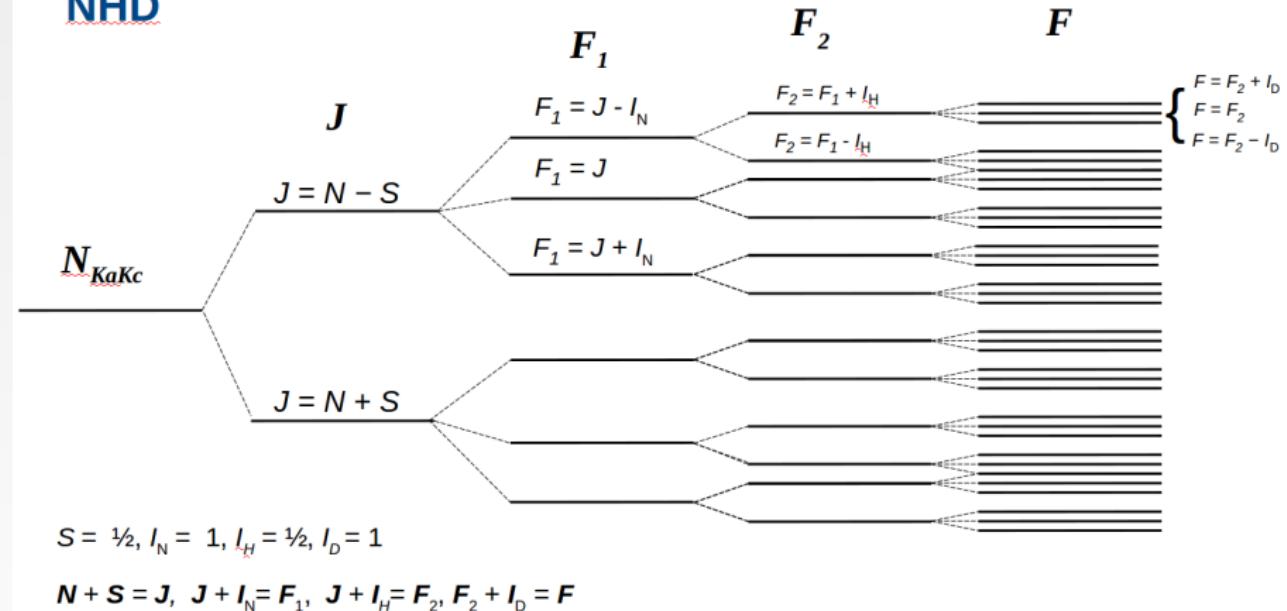
molecular orbital diagram



$$(2a')^2(3a')^2(4a')^2(1a'')^1 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^2A''$$

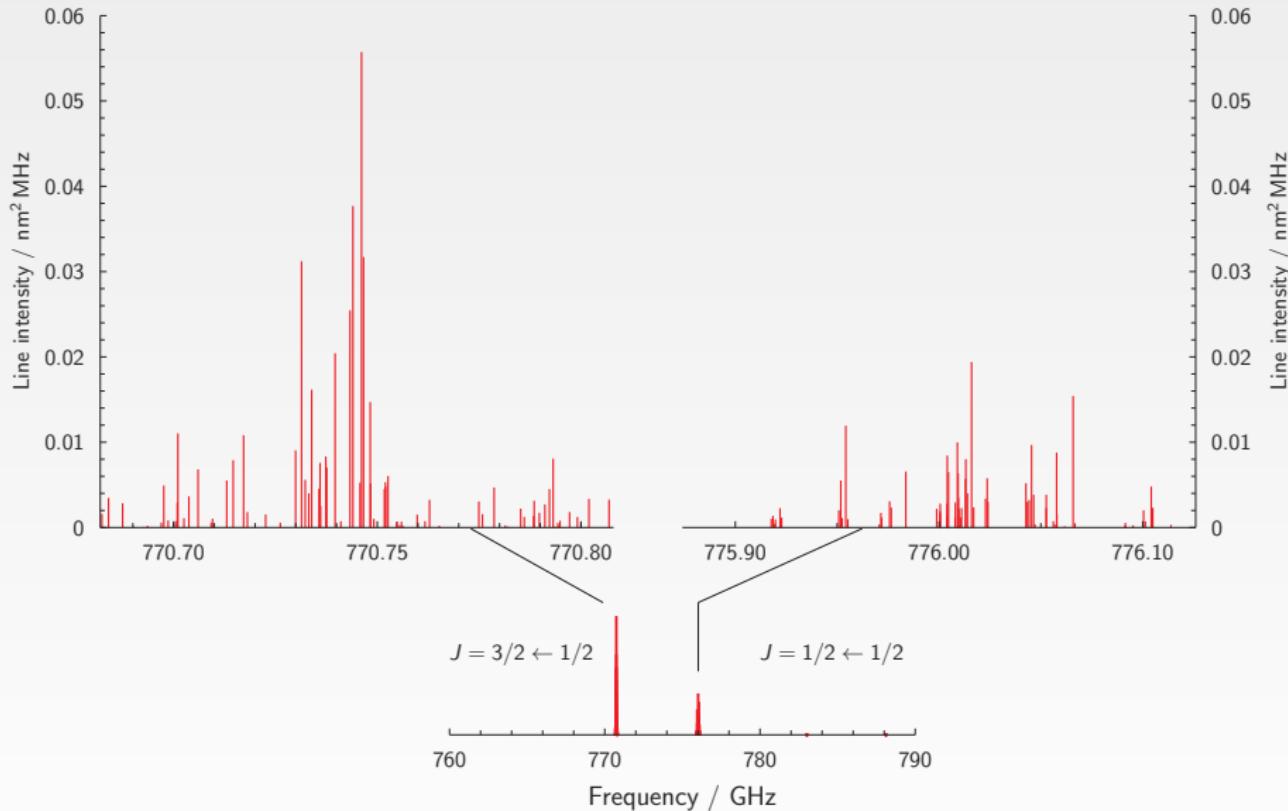
# Rotational FS and HFS level scheme

NHD



# Fine/Hyperfine spectral patterns

NHD,  $N_{K_a, K_c} = 1_{11} \leftarrow 0_{00}$



# Spectroscopy status of amidogen isotopologues

## NH<sub>2</sub>

- Submm-wave and FIR spectra well studied:  
(Gendriesch et al. 2001, Martin-Drumel et al. 2014)
- Detected in HMSFCs (Persson et al. 2012)  
and IRAS16293-2422 (Hily-Blant et al. 2010)

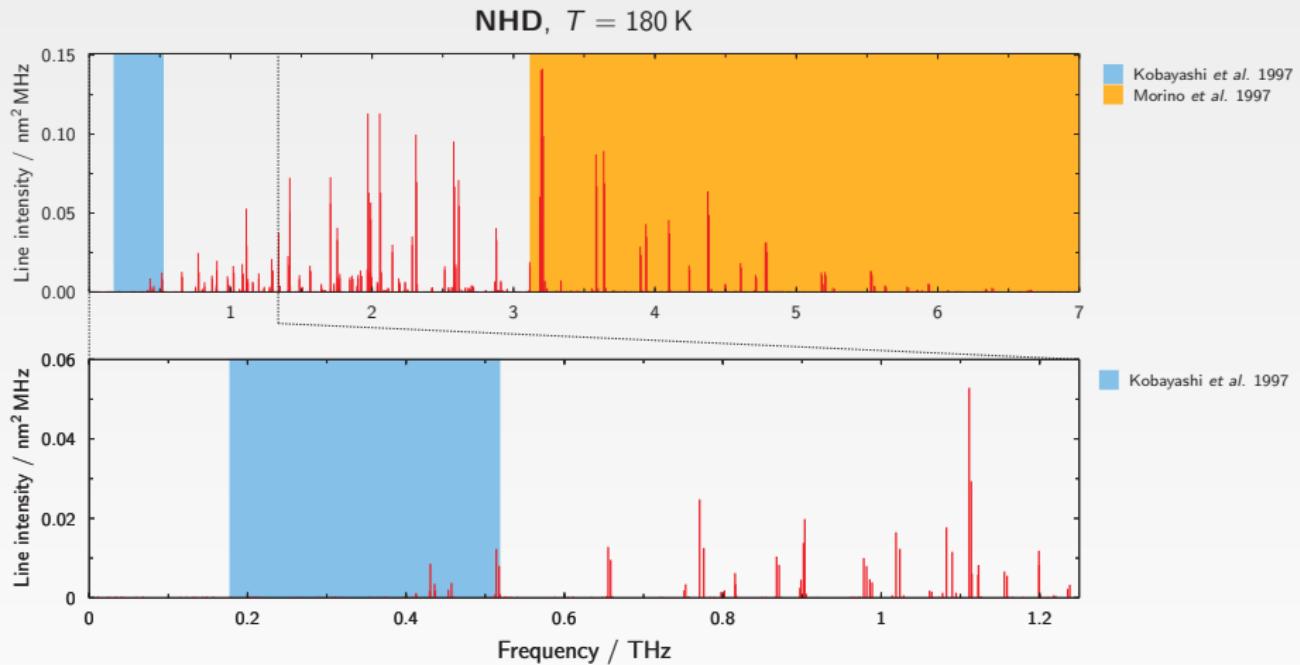
## ND<sub>2</sub>

- new measurements in the 588–1 131 GHz range done in Bologna  
global analysis with mm, sub-mm, MODR, and FIR data  
(Melosso et al. 2017, *ApJS*)
- Good RFs available, but still not detected/not searched in space

## NHD

- Previous measurements provide scarce spectral coverage  
RFs not sufficiently precise for astrophysical purposes (... **until recently**)
- new measurements done in Garching (400–1 400 GHz)  
and at AILES@SOLEIL (FIR)
- global analysis TBP (Bizzocchi et al. *submitted to ApJS*)

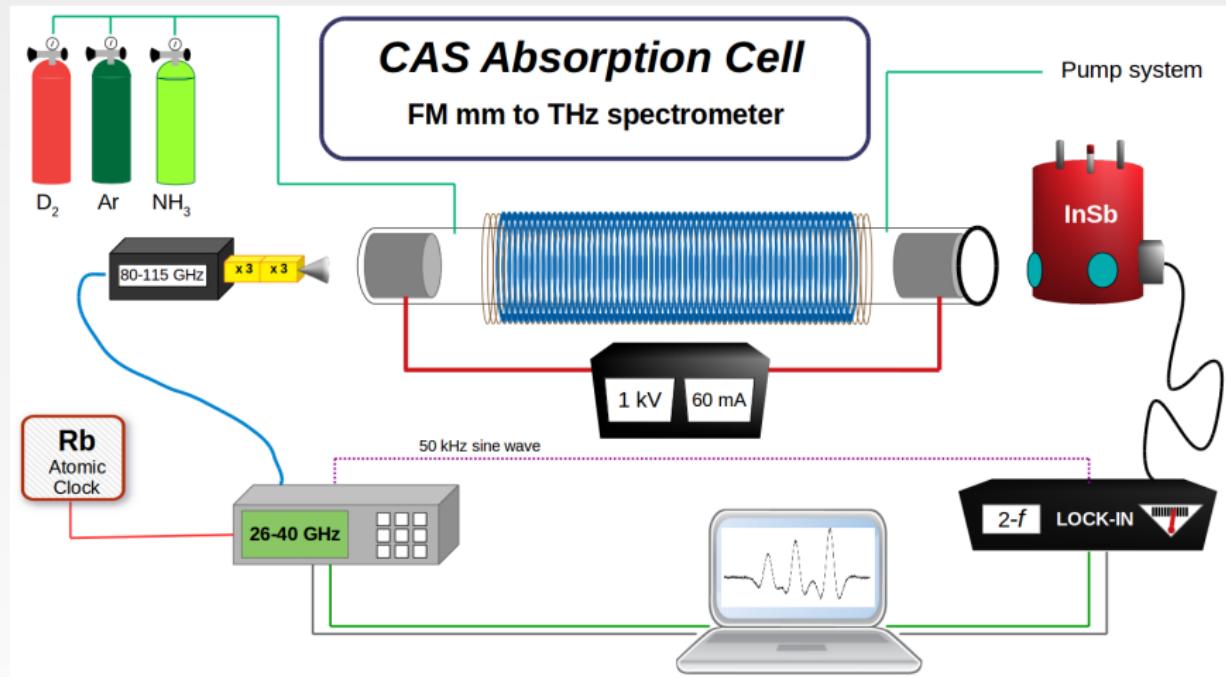
# Spectral coverage plot



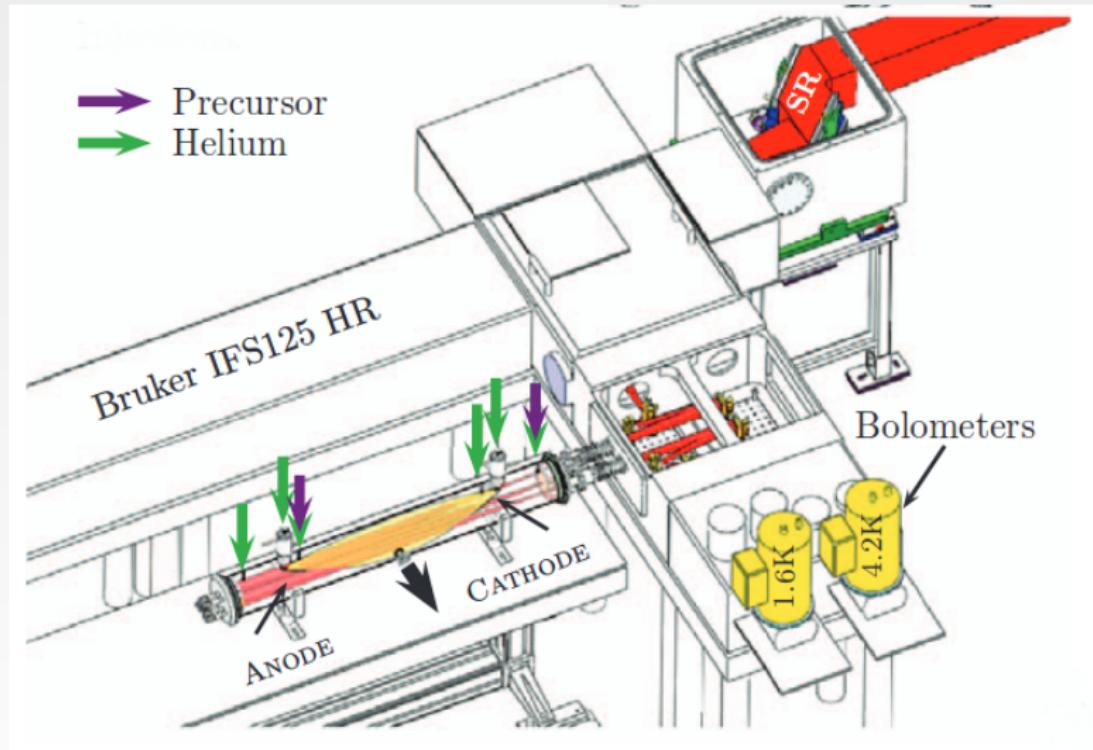
# New NHD measurements

- **sub-mm regime:** 430–1200 GHz at MPE  
(collaboration with Bologna lab: L. Dore, M. Melosso)  
glow discharge of NH<sub>3</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>, Ar ( $P_{\text{tot}} = 15 - 25 \mu\text{Bar}$ ,  $T \sim 180 \text{ K}$ )  
positive column:  $i = 40 - 70 \text{ mA}$ ,  $V \approx 2 \text{ kV}$   
measurement precision 20–50 kHz
- **FIR region:** 60–225 cm<sup>-1</sup> at AILES beamline (SOLEIL synchrotron)  
(collaboration with O. Pirali and M.A. Martin-Drumel)  
several discharges: typically NH<sub>3</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>, He ( $P_{\text{tot}} = 5 - 20 \text{ mBar}$ )  
positive column:  $i \approx 100 \text{ mA}$ ,  $V \approx 4 \text{ kV}$ , room  $T$   
measurement precision ~10 MHz

# CASAC spectrometer at MPE



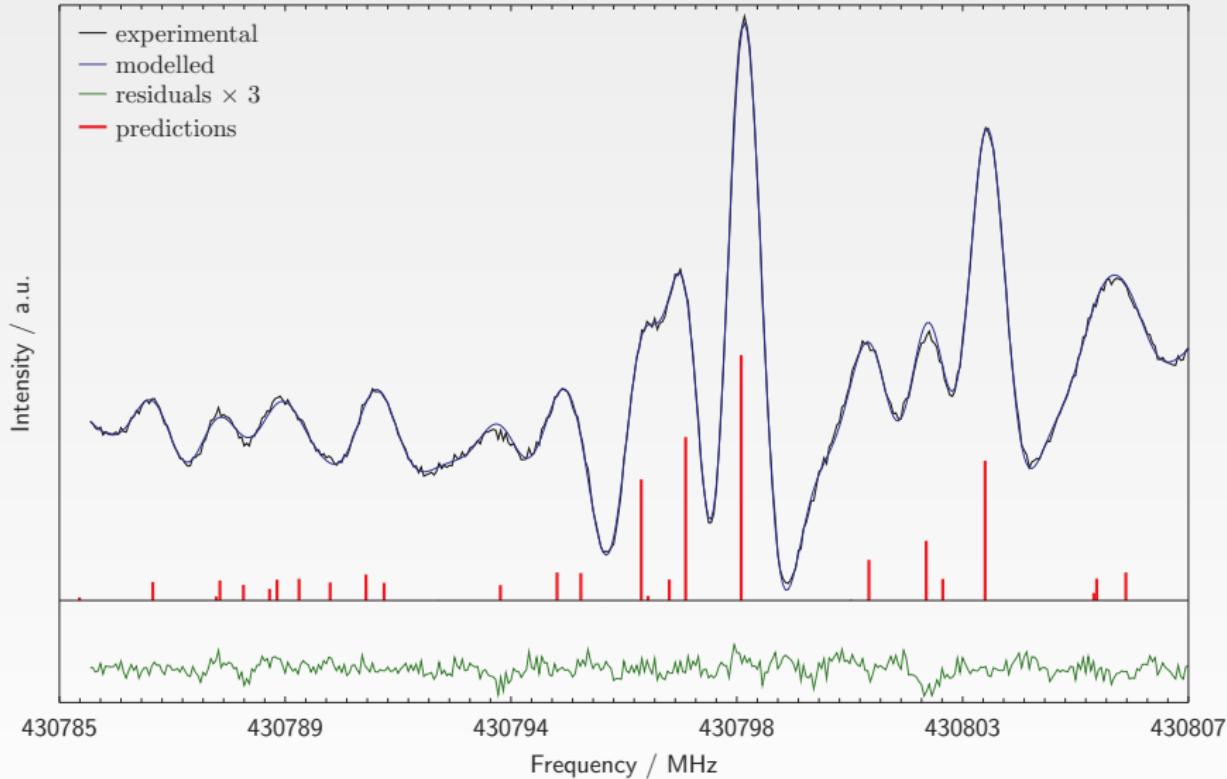
# Experimental setup at AILES beamline (SOLEIL)



From Martin-Drumel et al. (2011), *Rev. Sci. Instr.*, 82, 113106.

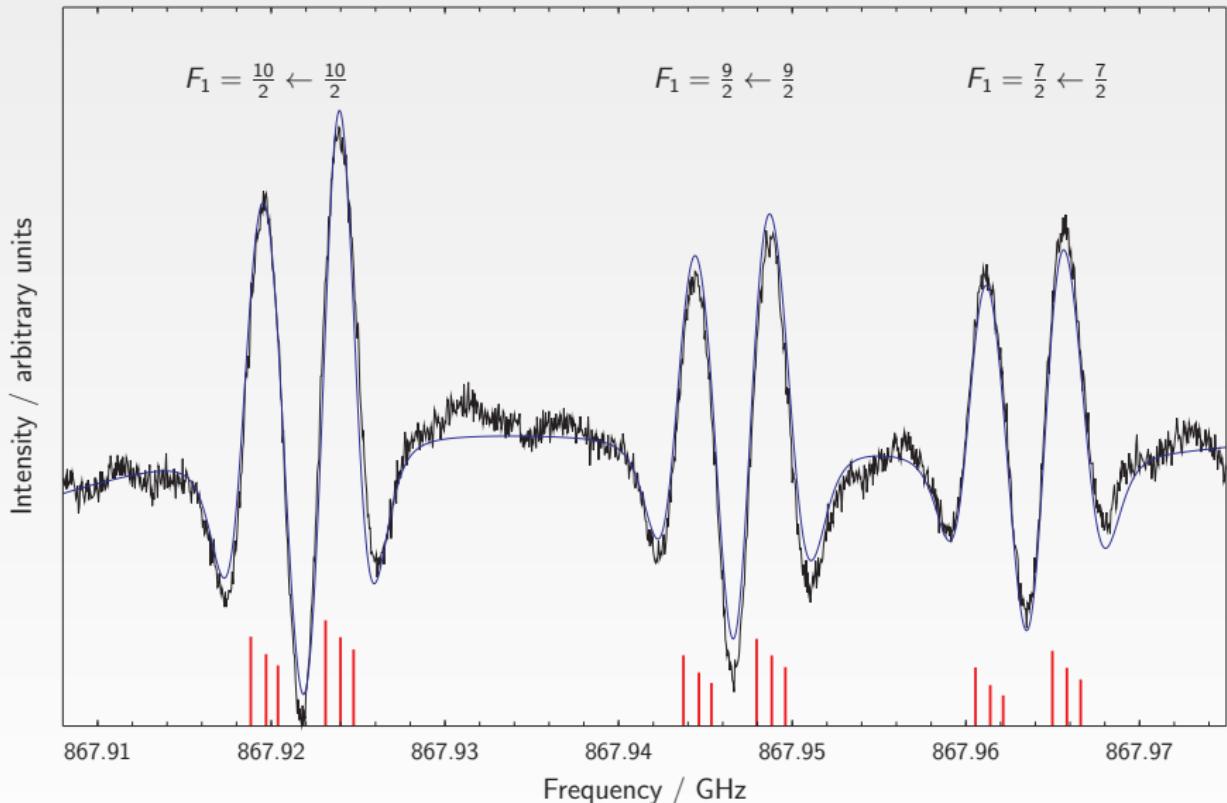
# HFS structure in the sub-mm region (1)

**NHD**,  $N_{Ka,Kc} = 1_{1,0} - 1_{0,1}$ ,  $J = 3/2 - 3/2$

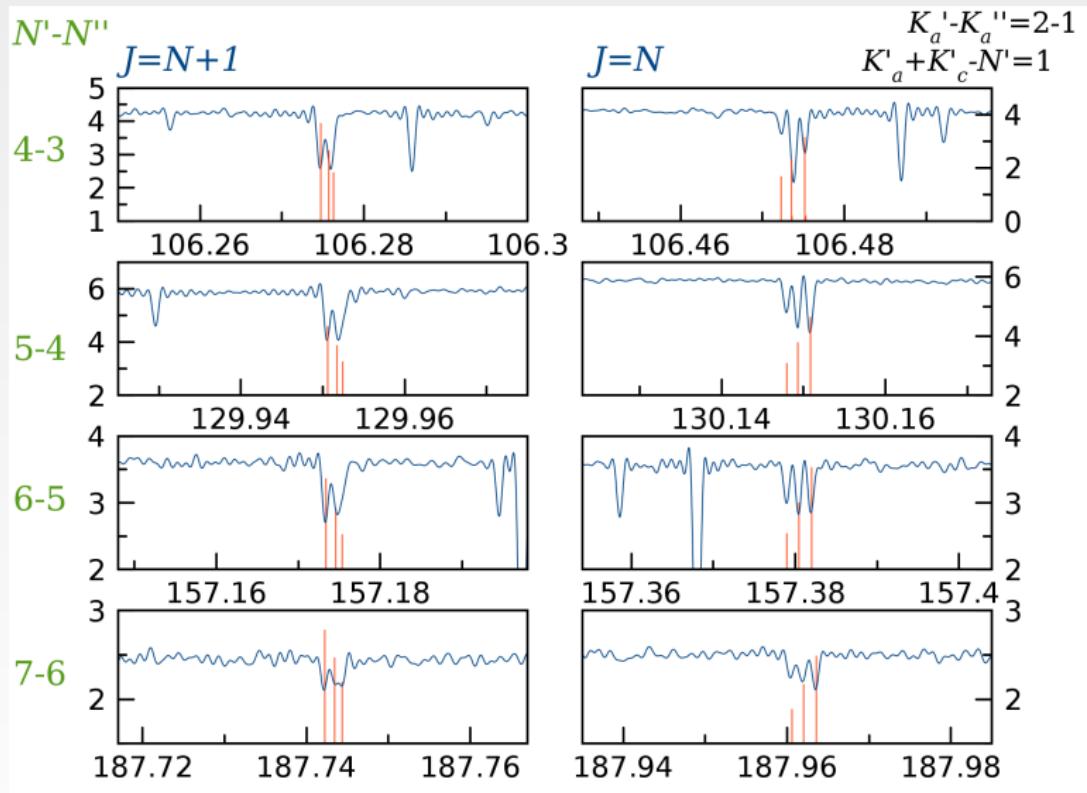


## HFS structure in the sub-mm region (2)

$$N_{Ka,Kc} = 4_{1,3} \leftarrow 4_{0,4}, J = \frac{9}{2} \leftarrow \frac{9}{2}$$



# HFS structure revealed in the FIR



## $^2A''$ – rotational–spin effective Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{\text{rot}} + \hat{H}_{\text{fs}} + \hat{H}_{\text{hfs,el-nuc}} + \hat{H}_{\text{hfs,rot-nuc}}$$

$\hat{H}_{\text{rot}}$   $\subseteq$  Watson-type + CDCs

$\hat{H}_{\text{fs}}$   $\subseteq$   $T^k(\epsilon) \cdot T^k(\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{S})$  + Spin–Rot CDCs

$\hat{H}_{\text{hfs,el-nuc}}$   $\subseteq$   $\sum_i a_F(i) T^1(\mathbf{l}_i) \cdot T^1(\mathbf{S}) + \sum_i T^1(\mathbf{l}_i) \cdot T^1(\mathbf{S}, C^2)$

$\hat{H}_{\text{hfs,rot-nuc}}$   $\subseteq$   $\sum_i T^2(\mathbf{Q}_i) \cdot T^2(\nabla \mathbf{E}) + T^k(\mathbf{C}) \cdot T^k(\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{l}_i)$

# Hamiltonian parameters

- Rotational and CD constants:

$A, B, C, \Delta_N, \Delta_{NK}, \Delta_K, \delta_N, \delta_K, \Phi_N, \Phi_{NNK}, \Phi_{NKK}, \Phi_K, \phi_N, \phi_{NK}, \phi_K,$   
...

- Spin-rotation and CD constants:

$\epsilon_{aa}, \epsilon_{bb}, \epsilon_{cc}, \Delta_J^S, \Delta_{NK}^S + \Delta_{KN}^S, \Delta_K^S, \delta_N^S, \delta_K^S,$   
...

- Electron spin–nuclear spin ( $i$ ) hyperfine constants:

$a_F(i), T_{aa}(i), T_{bb}(i), T_{cc}(i),$   
...

- Rotation–nuclear spin ( $i$ ) hyperfine constants:

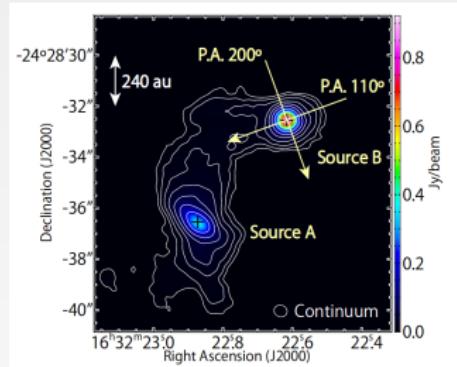
$\chi_{aa}(i), \chi_{bb}(i), \chi_{cc}(i), C_{aa}(i), C_{bb}(i), C_{cc}(i),$   
...

# Search for amidogen isotopologues in the ISM

- Observations are difficult from Earth
  - rotational lines fall in the sub-mm region*
  - H<sub>2</sub>O absorption in the atmosphere is a major problem*
- These lines are best targeted by Space-born facilities like *Herschel*
  - Not operative anymore... but*
  - Herschel legacy data are freely accessible at HSA*
- IRAS16293-2422 protostar was a target of the CHESS key project
  - [Ceccarelli et al. 2010]**
  - Full sub-mm to FIR “unbiased” survey was performed*
  - Source showing extreme deuteration*
  - (multiply substituted isotopologues found)*

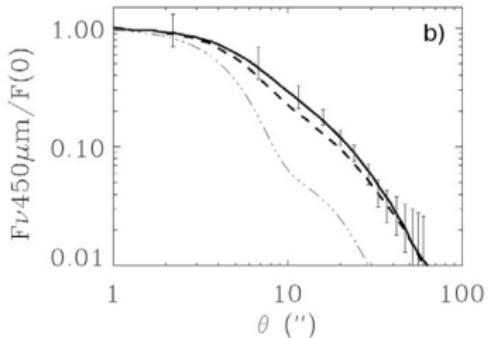
# IRAS16293-2422, a prototypical Class 0 protostar

ALMA



Oya et al. (2018)

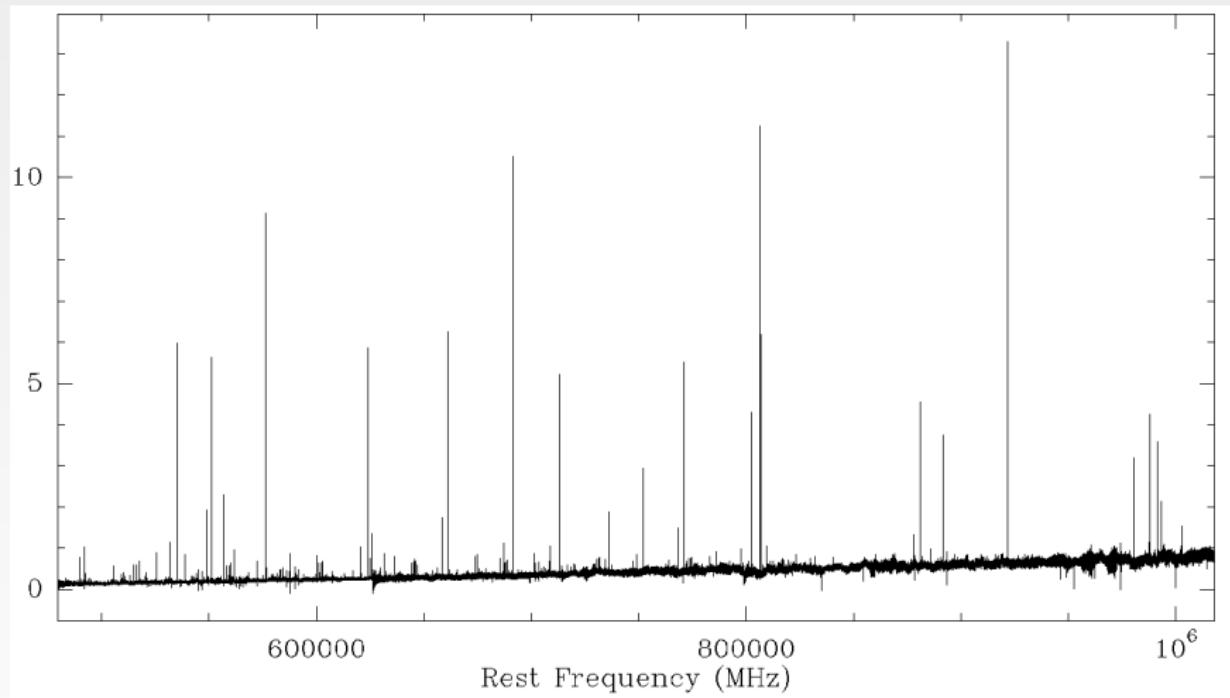
JCMT



Crimier et al. (2010)

Single-dish spectra are dominated by the cold envelope + warm components from inner warm region (dust sublimation)

# IRAS16293-2422 survey (CHESS project)



# Nitrogen hydrides in IRAS16293-2422

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Herschel/HIFI: first science highlights

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## First detection of ND in the solar-mass protostar IRAS16293-2422\*

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ND, NH

No NH<sub>2</sub> isotopologues searched/detected !

Rest frequencies for NHD and ND<sub>2</sub> were not available until (very) recently

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## Nitrogen hydrides in the cold envelope of IRAS 16293-2422\*\*

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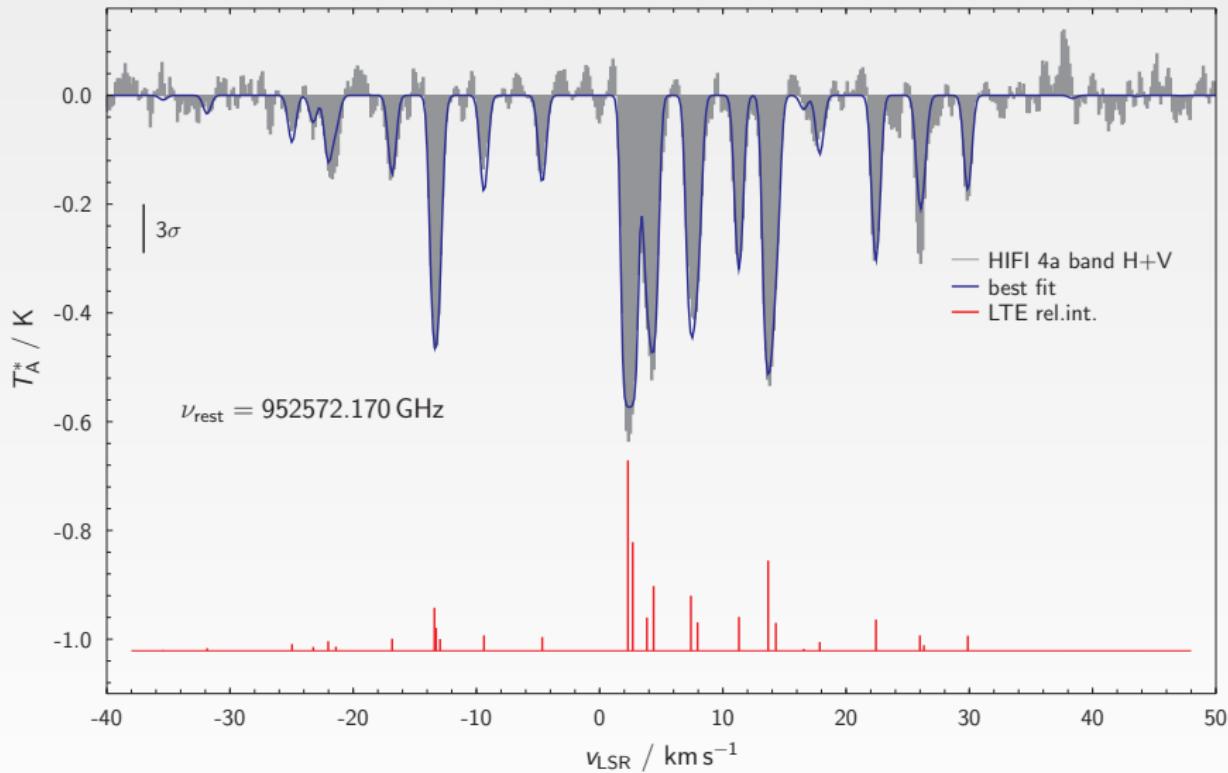
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NH<sub>2</sub>, o/p-NH<sub>3</sub>

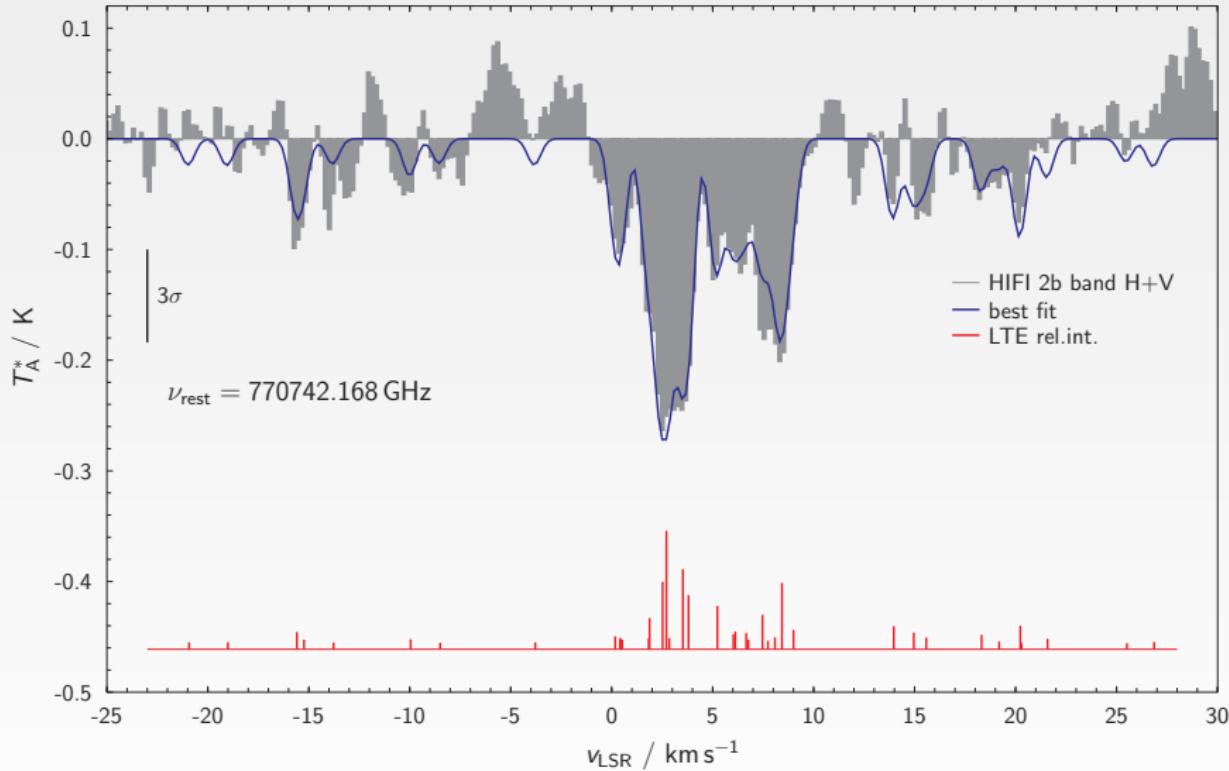
# Amidogen: Parent isotopologue

$\text{NH}_2, 1_{00} - 0_{00} J = 3/2 \leftarrow 1/2$



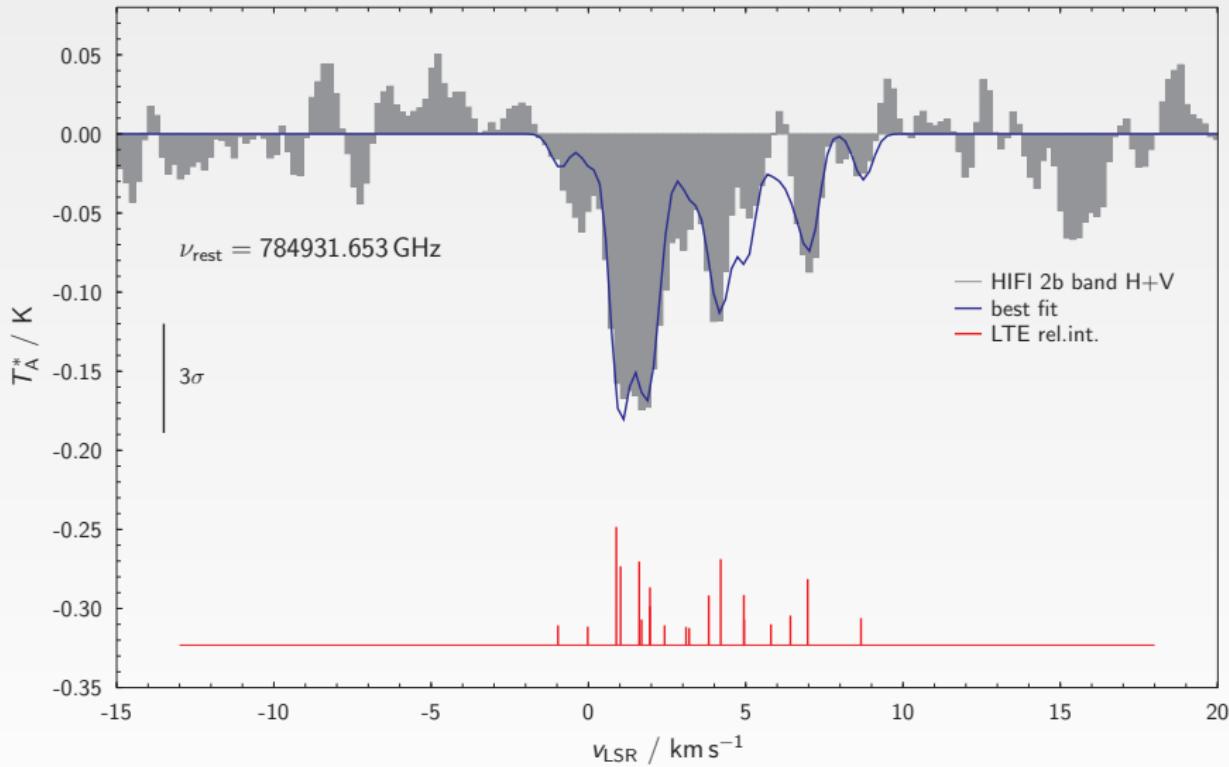
# Amidogen: Singly deuterated

NHD,  $1_{00} - 0_{00}$   $J = 3/2 \leftarrow 1/2$



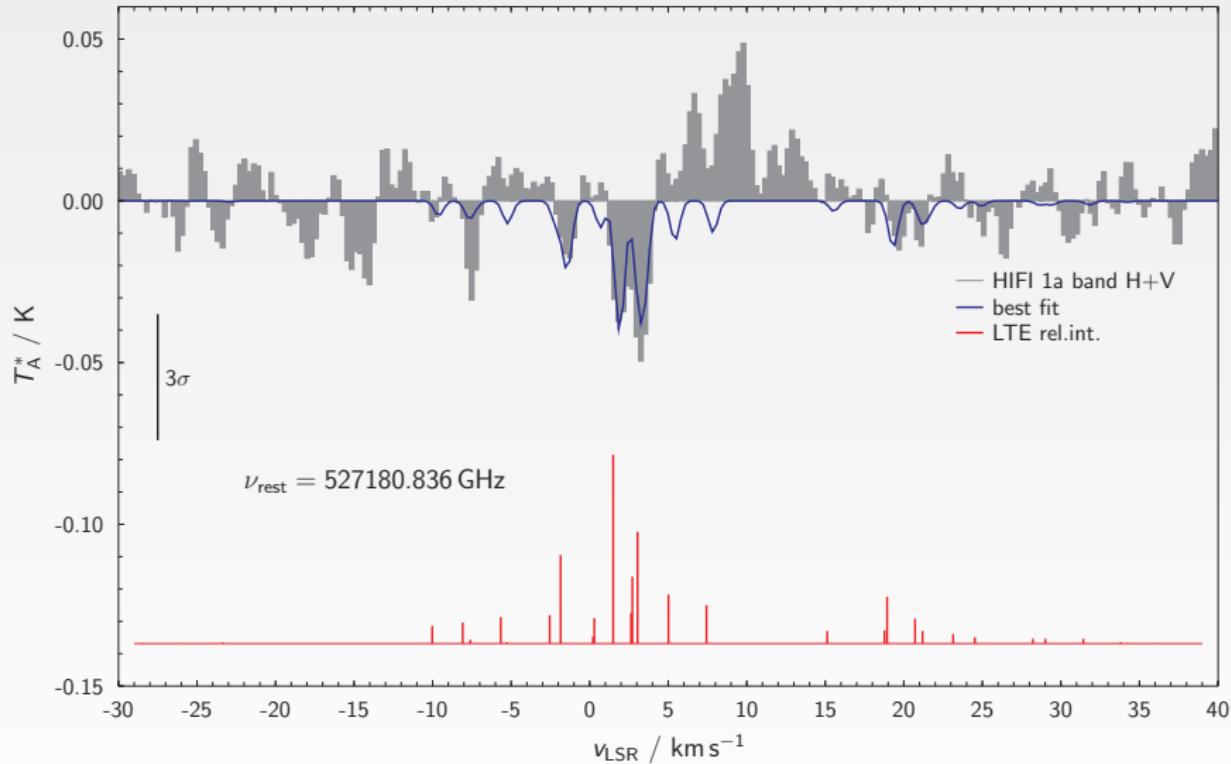
# Amidogen: Doubly deuterated

*p*-ND<sub>2</sub>, 2<sub>12</sub> – 1<sub>01</sub>  $J = 5/2 \leftarrow 3/2$



# Amidogen: Doubly deuterated

*o*-ND<sub>2</sub>, 1<sub>11</sub> – 0<sub>00</sub>  $J = 3/2 \leftarrow 1/2$



# IRAS16293-2422: NH<sub>2</sub>, NHD, ND<sub>2</sub> results

	$N / \text{cm}^{-2}$	$T_{\text{ex}} / \text{K}$	$v_{\text{LSR}} / \text{km s}^{-1}$	$\Delta v / \text{km s}^{-1}$
<i>o</i> -NH <sub>2</sub>	$5.84(24) \times 10^{13}$	8.6(1)	4.25(1)	0.72(2)
<b>NHD</b>	$4.24(63) \times 10^{13}$	7.3(2)	4.19(3)	0.78(5)
<i>o</i> -ND <sub>2</sub>	$5.48(77) \times 10^{12}$	4.5	4.66(6)	0.70
<i>p</i> -ND <sub>2</sub>	$3.46(10) \times 10^{11}$	4.5	4.32(2)	0.70

$T_{\text{ex}}$  closer to what found for NH and ND species (Bacmann et a. 2010)

# Amidogen abundance ratios in IRAS16293-2422

- *o/p* ratio in ND<sub>2</sub>:

$$\frac{[o\text{-ND}_2]}{[p\text{-ND}_2]} = 15.8 \rightarrow T_{\text{ex}} \approx 4.5 \text{ K}$$

- Amidogen deuteration:

$$\frac{[\text{NHD}]}{[o\text{-NH}_2]} \sim 0.72 \quad ; \quad \frac{[\text{ND}_2]}{[o\text{-NH}_2]} \sim 0.1$$

- **Very high deuteration found!**

[ND]/[NH] ~ 30 – 100%;

[NH<sub>2</sub>D]/[NH<sub>3</sub>] ~ 10%;

[D<sub>2</sub>CO]/[H<sub>2</sub>CO] ~ 5 – 10%

# Work in progress

- New reduction/deconvolution of HSA data  
*improve S/N, better background subtraction*
- Radiative transfer modelling of IRAS16293-2422  
*NH<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub> hyperfine collisional rates just published*
- Estimate collisional rates for the asymmetric NHD species *scaling relations not useful due to different symmetry*

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