

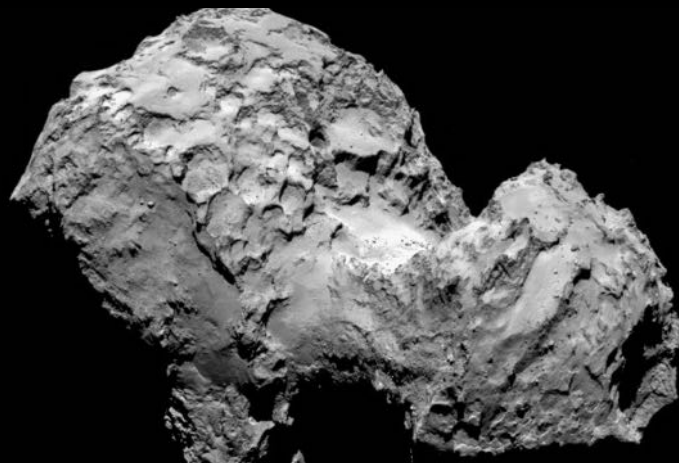
Dust particles from comet 67P/Churyumov- Gerasimenko analyzed by COSIMA

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67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko



OSIRIS NAC Image Aug. 03, 2014

- Composition volatiles/dust/nucleus : *ROSINA, COSIMA, VIRTIS*
- 3 dust instruments on Rosetta
- Composition : COSIMA

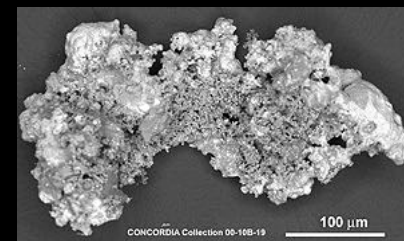
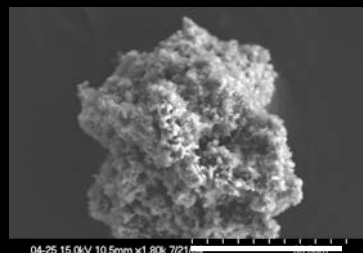
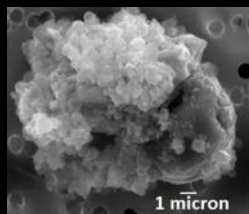
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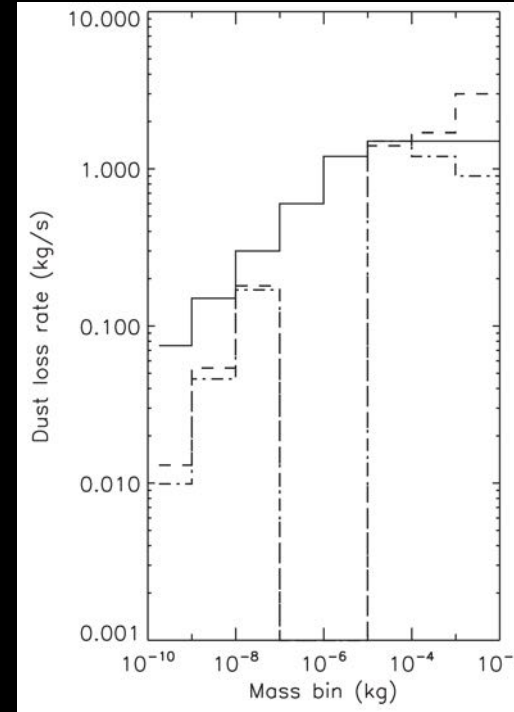
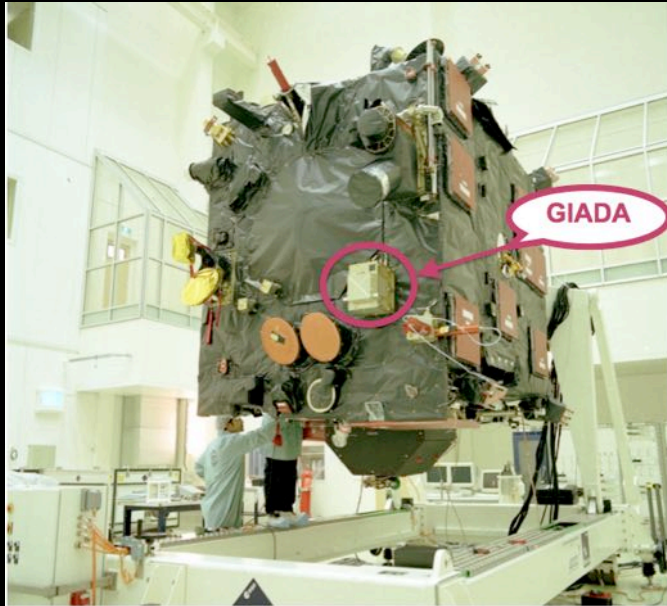
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GIADA



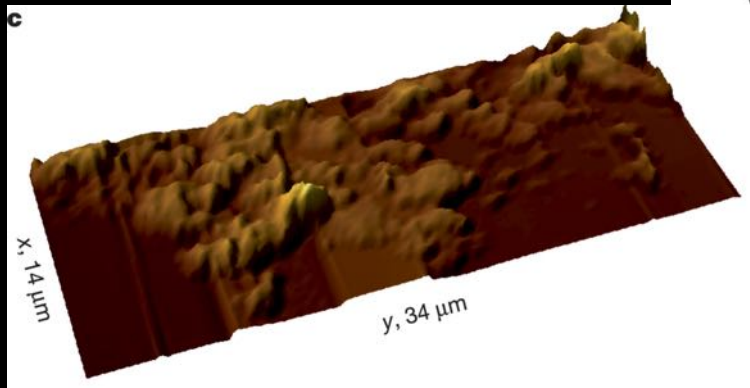
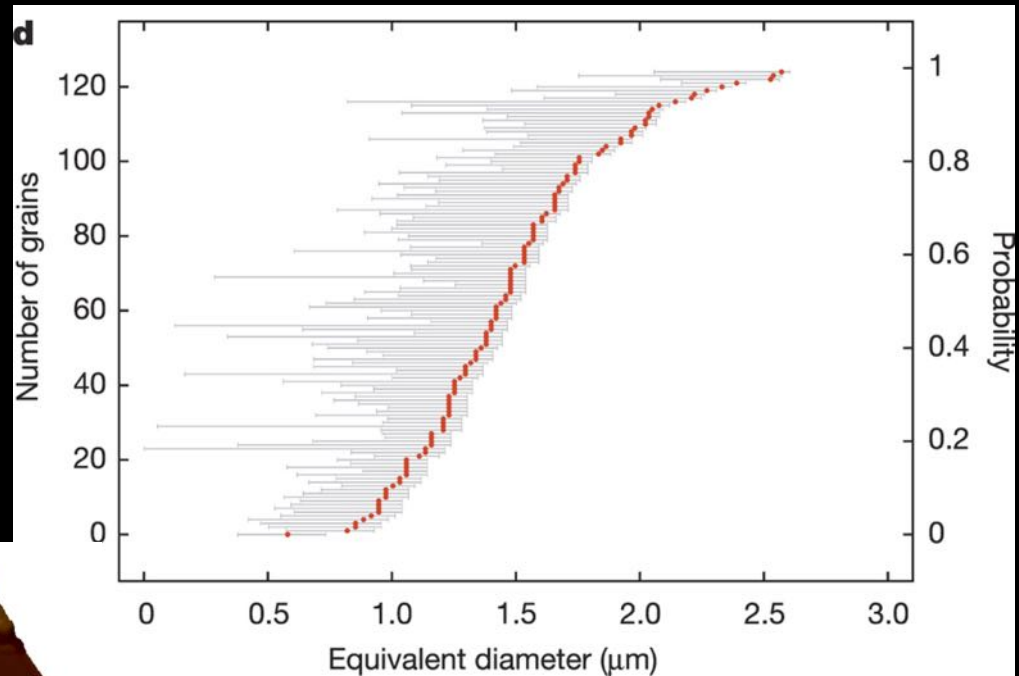
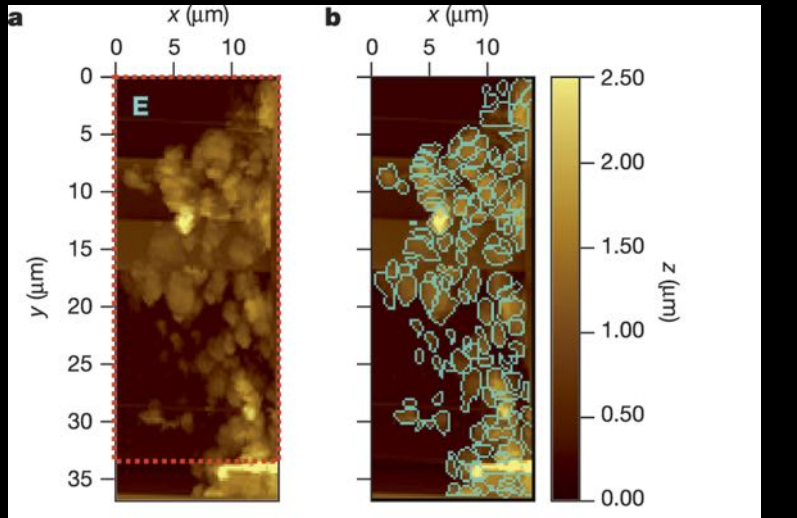
Dust flux (GIADA)



- Low speed (a few m/s)
- Showers of particles
- Detection of 2 types of particles :
 - Compact (0.03 – 1 mm), density: 800–3000 kg/m³, consistent with a variety of minerals or mixtures of minerals.
 - ‘fluffy aggregates’ (0.2 - 2.5 mm), density < 1kg/m³ - sub-micron sized grains with void spaces in between.

(Rotundi et al. 2015)

Sub-um image of comet dust (MIDAS)



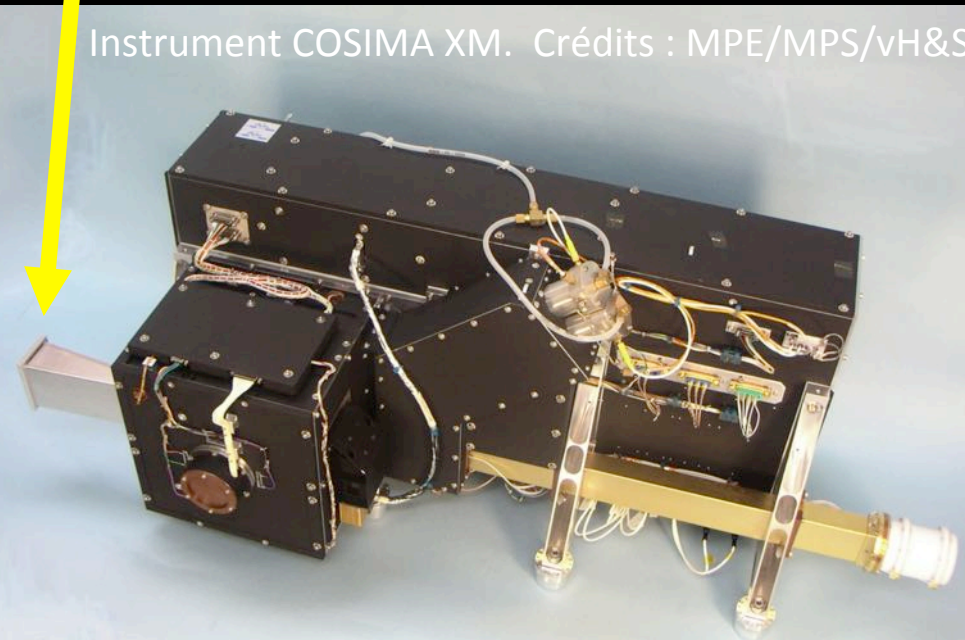
(Bentley et al. 2016)

- Atomic force microscope
- Very fluffy textures reminiscent of IDPs/MMs

Composition of comet dust (COSIMA - COmetary Secondary Ion Mass Analyzer)



Instrument COSIMA XM. Crédits : MPE/MPS/vH&S



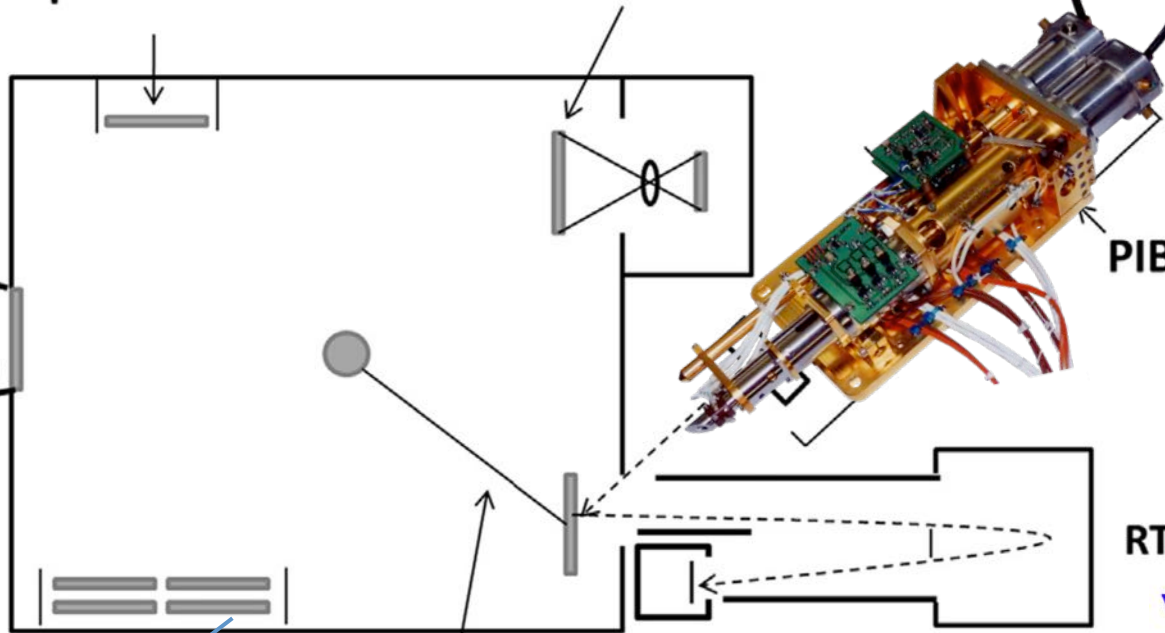


COSIMA



Chemical station
Up to T= 403 K

Microscope (COSISCOPE)



PIBS



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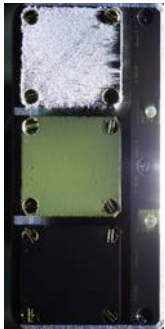
vH&S

Cometary
Grains

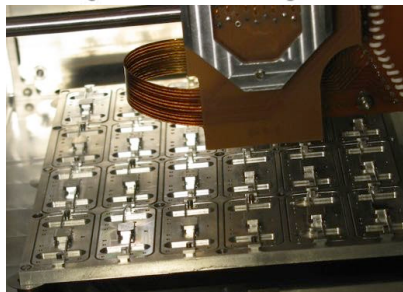


Dust collection
position
(253 K < T < 303 K)

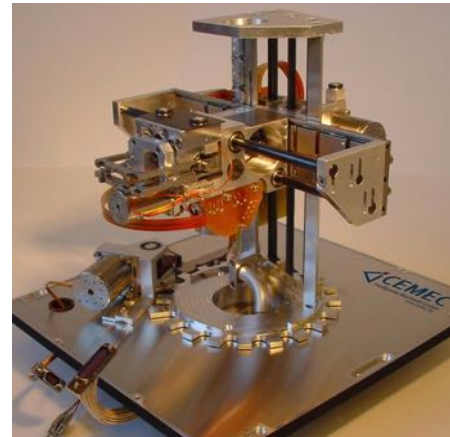
3 x 1
cm²



Target store (24 sets)
(T < 303 K)



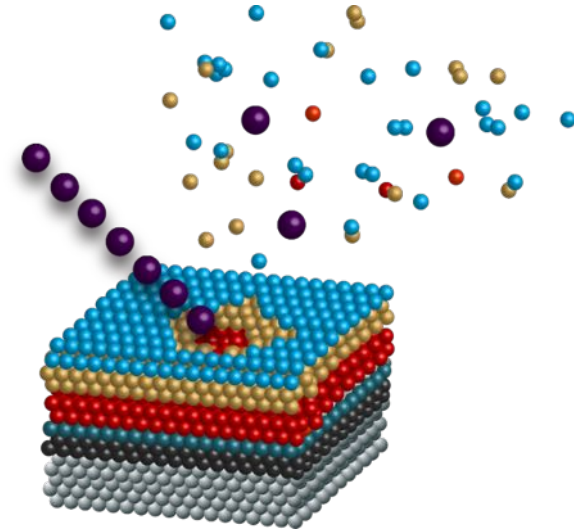
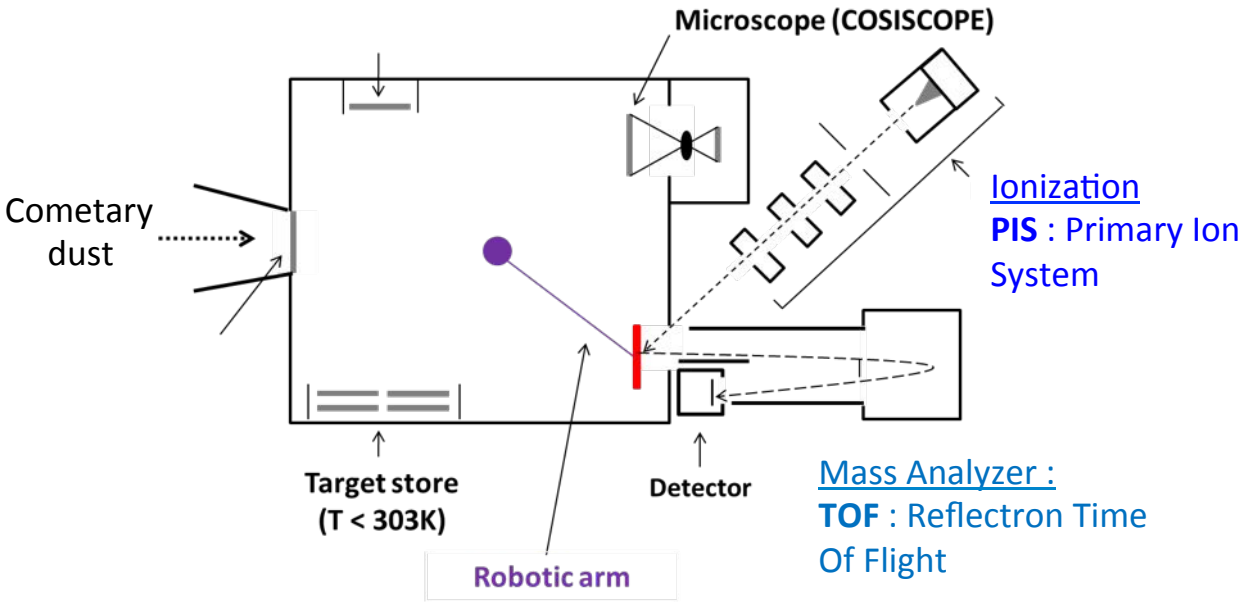
Robotic arm



COSIMA : COmetary Secondary Ion Mass Analyzer



TOF – SIMS : Time of Flight – Secondary Ion Mass Spectrometry
Surface analysis



- **Both positive and negative mode:** target at ground & extractor at +/- 3 kV
- **Footprint of the pulsed ion beam:** $35 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$
- **Spectral resolution :** $m/\Delta m \approx 1400$
- **Mass range :** from 1 to 1000 amu

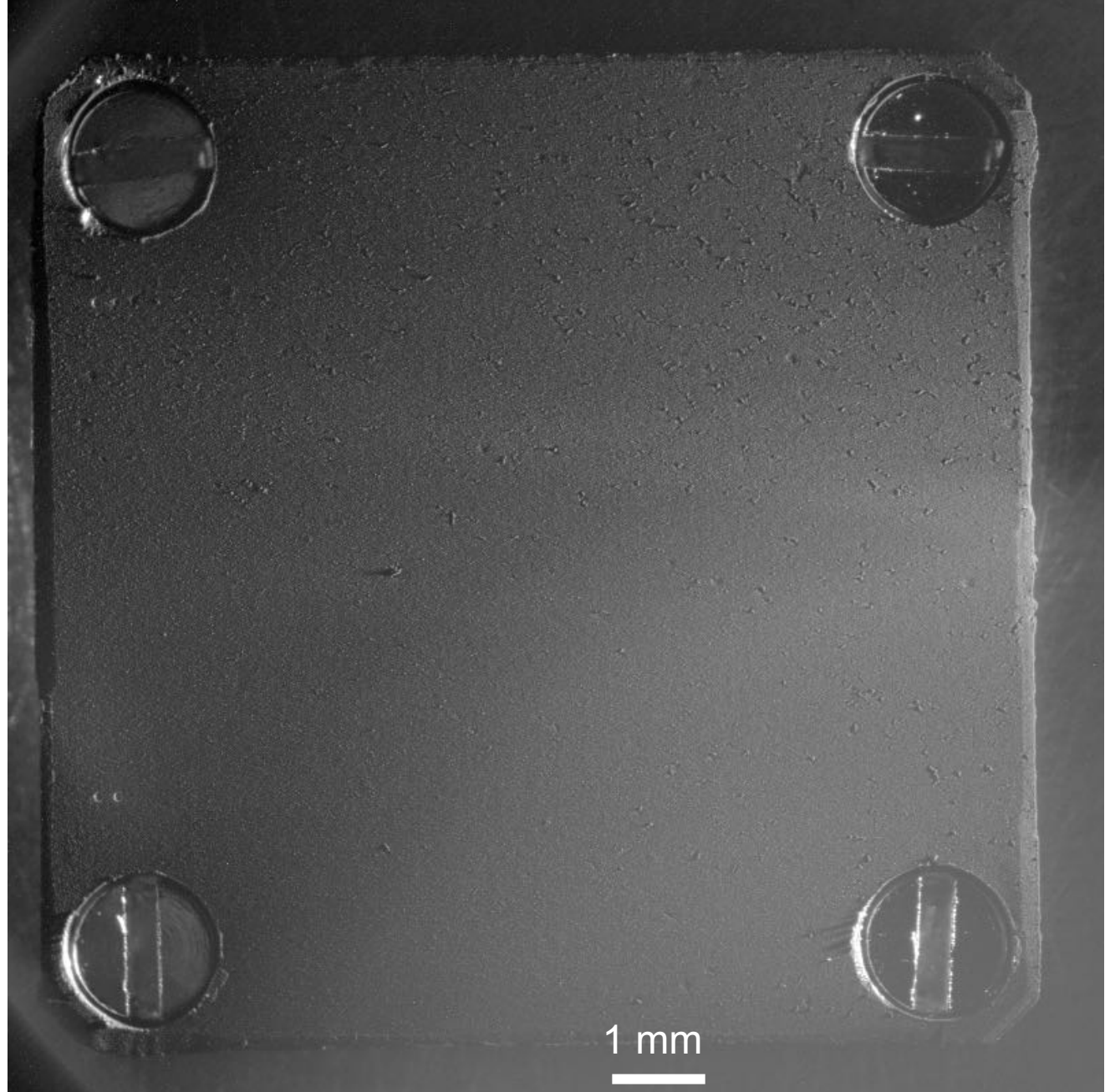


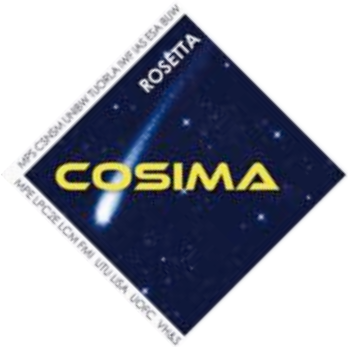
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grazing
incidence illumination
(right)

target 1 x 1 cm²

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K. Hornung





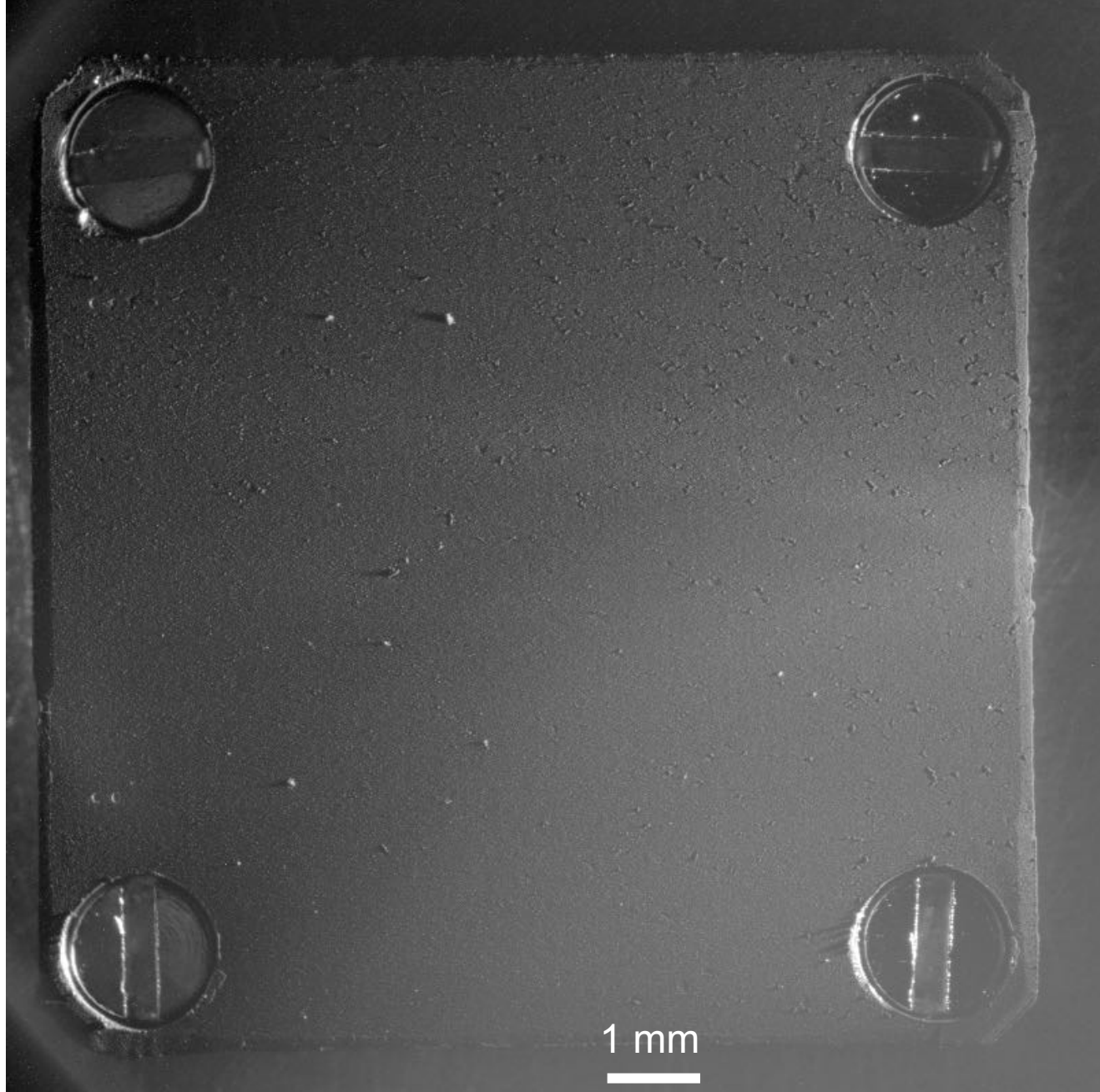
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cometary
dust

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log scale



3D0 Target

Exposed 11 Aug 12

Dec 2014

COSISCOPE

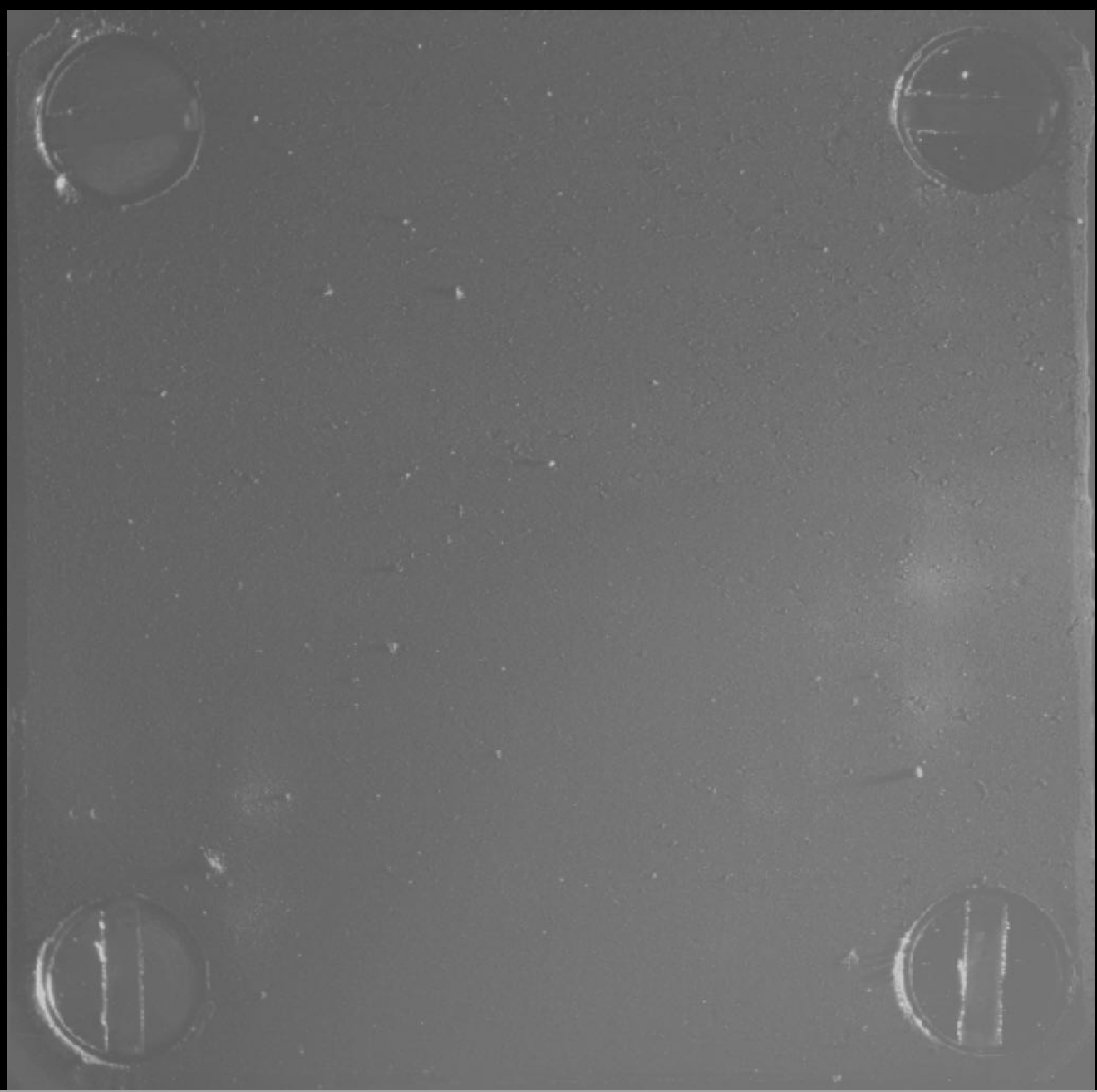
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After 15 weeks
exposure in the
coma of 67P/C-G.

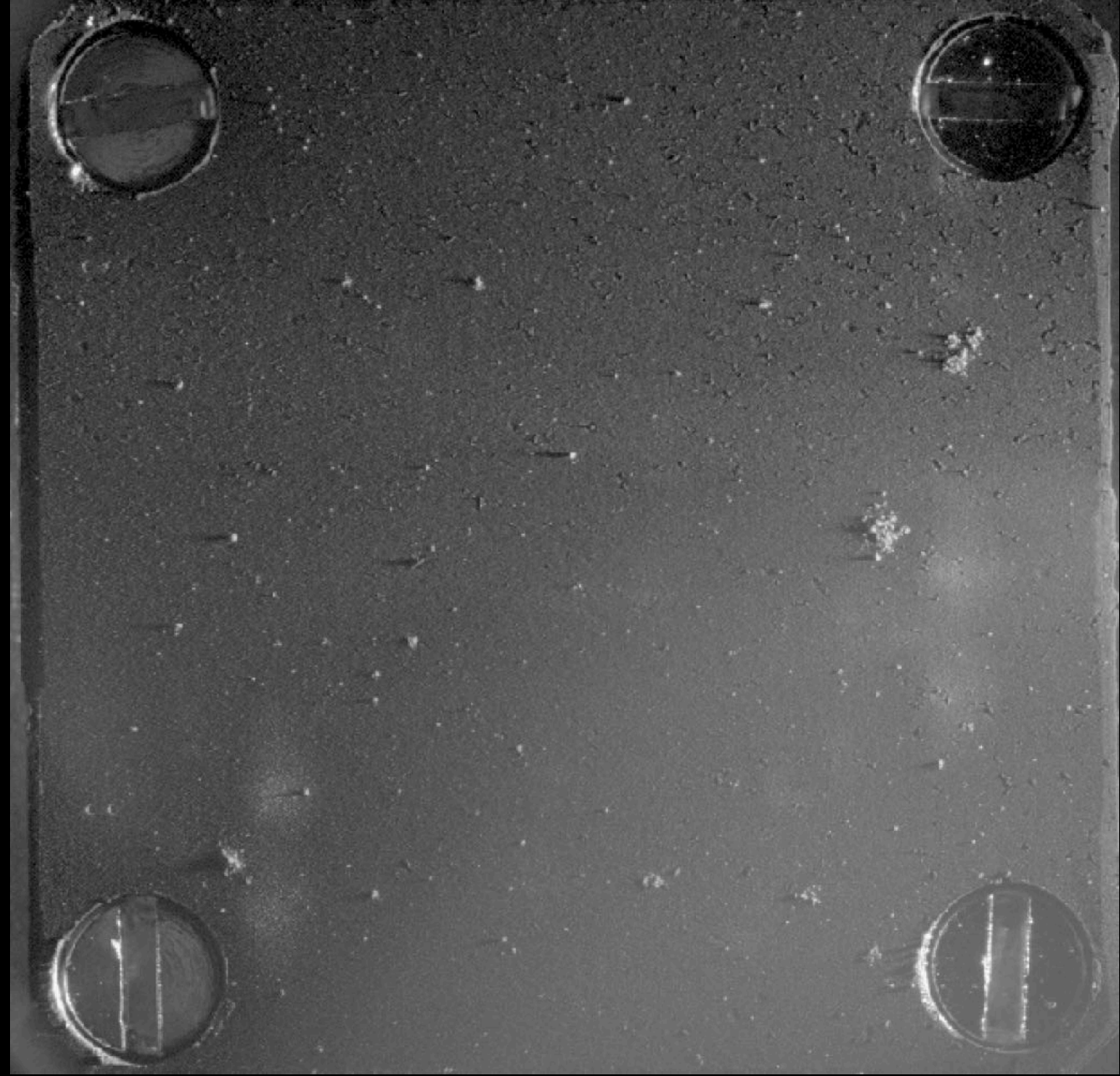


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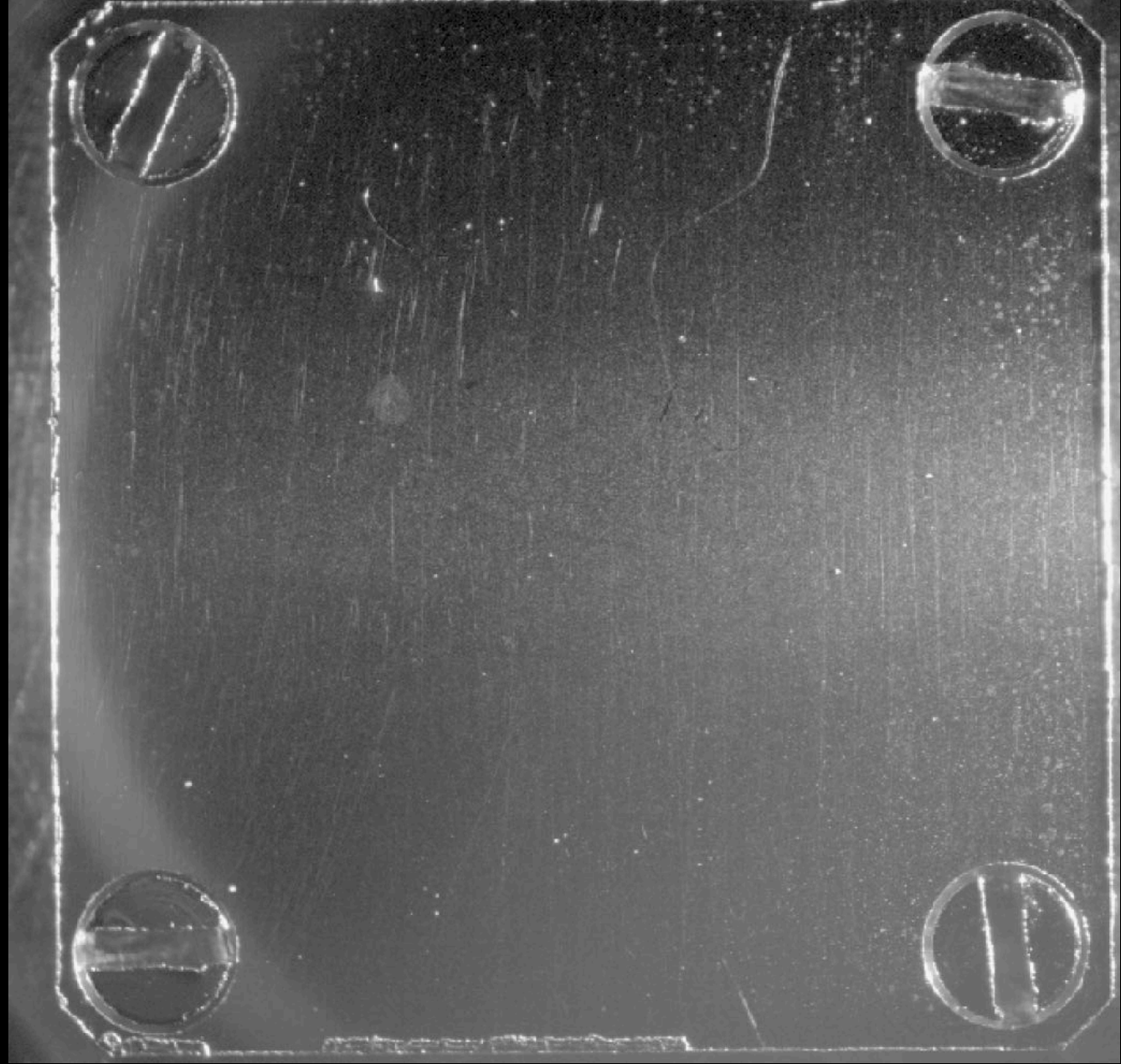
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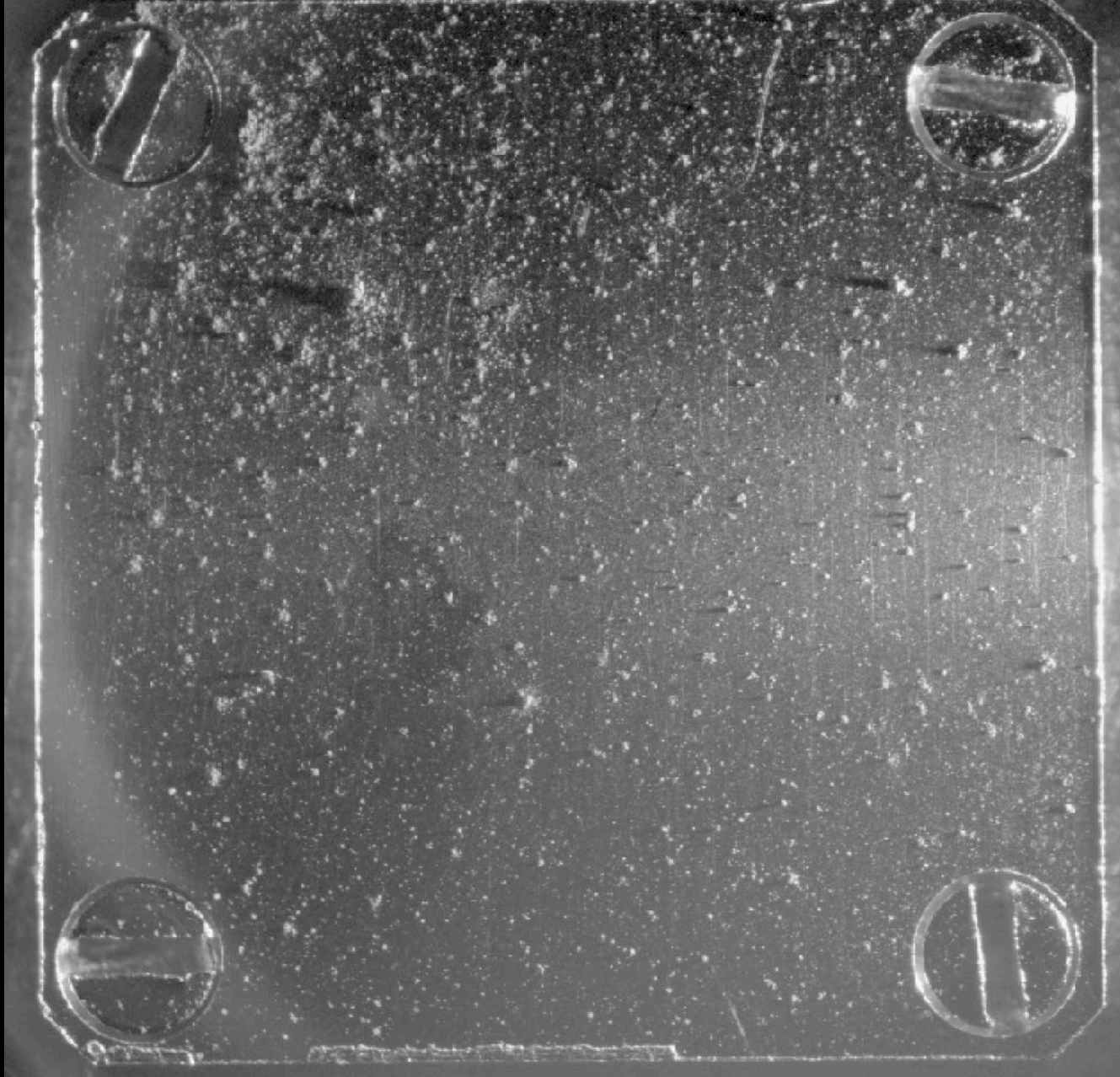
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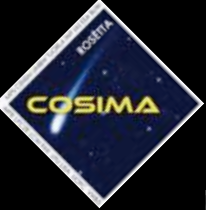
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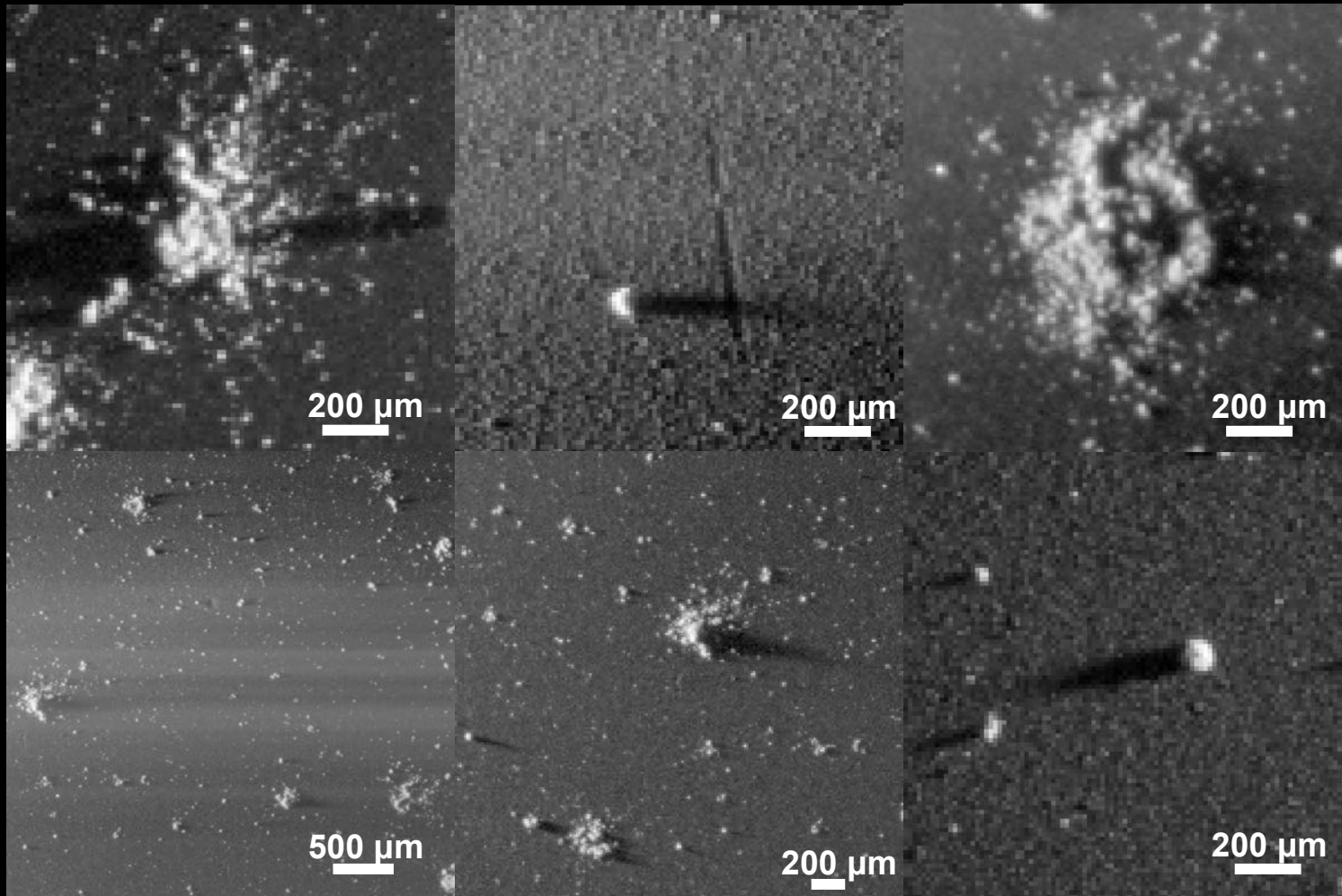
Grains lists (S. Merouane MPS)

X	Y	ID	Rank	area (px ²)	area (um ²)	First Name	Last Name	Running number	Target	Lost	STP SIMS pos	STP SIMS neg
2732	7255	6	5	16	3136	Francois	Enonvesi	2	1D0	(Orivesi)	16,21	16,21
3952	7227	7	5	35	6860	Boris	Enonvesi	2	1D0	(Orivesi)	16,21,105	16,21,105
3286	3943	8	4	13	2548	Gerhard	Enonvesi	2	1D0	(Saimaa)	16	16
3494	4788	9	0	6	1176	Sandra	Enonvesi	2	1D0	0	0	0
3841	4913	10.1	0	8	1568	Oliver	Enonvesi	2	1D0	0	0	0
3841	4913	10.2	0	2	392	Hugo	Enonvesi	2	1D0	0	0	0
2801	5357	11	0	4	784	Marie	Enonvesi	2	1D0	0	0	0
2496	3957	12	0	6	1176	Thomas	Enonvesi	2	1D0	0	16	16
2053	3915	13	0	6	1176	Wolfgang	Enonvesi	2	1D0	0	23	23
570	4373	14	0	1	196	Alphonse	Enonvesi	2	1D0	0	0	0
5338	4511	15	0	2	392	Ida	Enonvesi	2	1D0	0	0	0
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6696	7574	17	0	1	196	Berthe	Enonvesi	2	1D0	0	0	0
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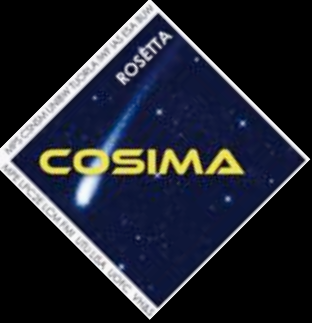
- identification by image blinking (manual)
- > 31,000 particles collected (~ 270 analyzed)
- Sep. 30, 2016 : dust returned to the comet ☺



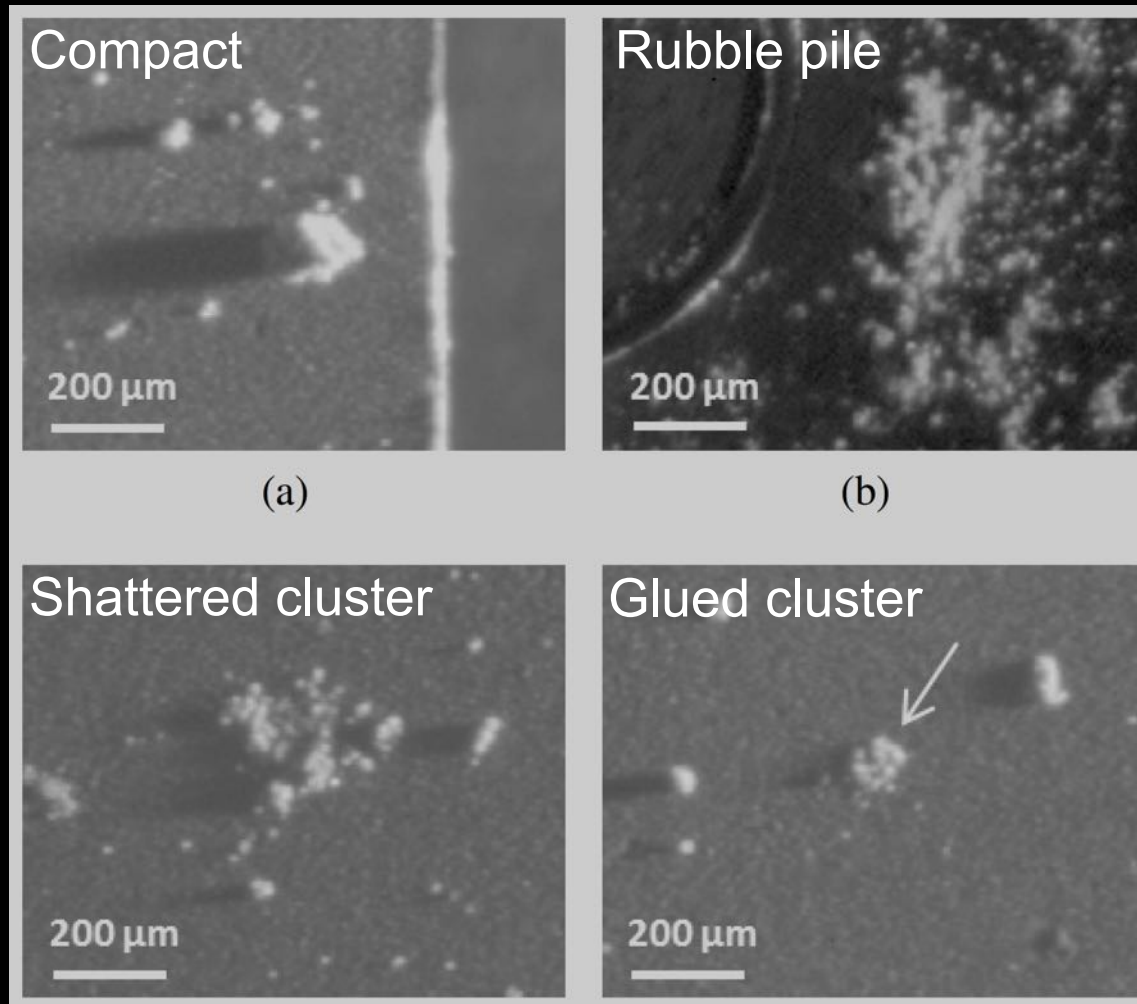
Different grain typologies



(Langevin et al. 2016)



Grain typology

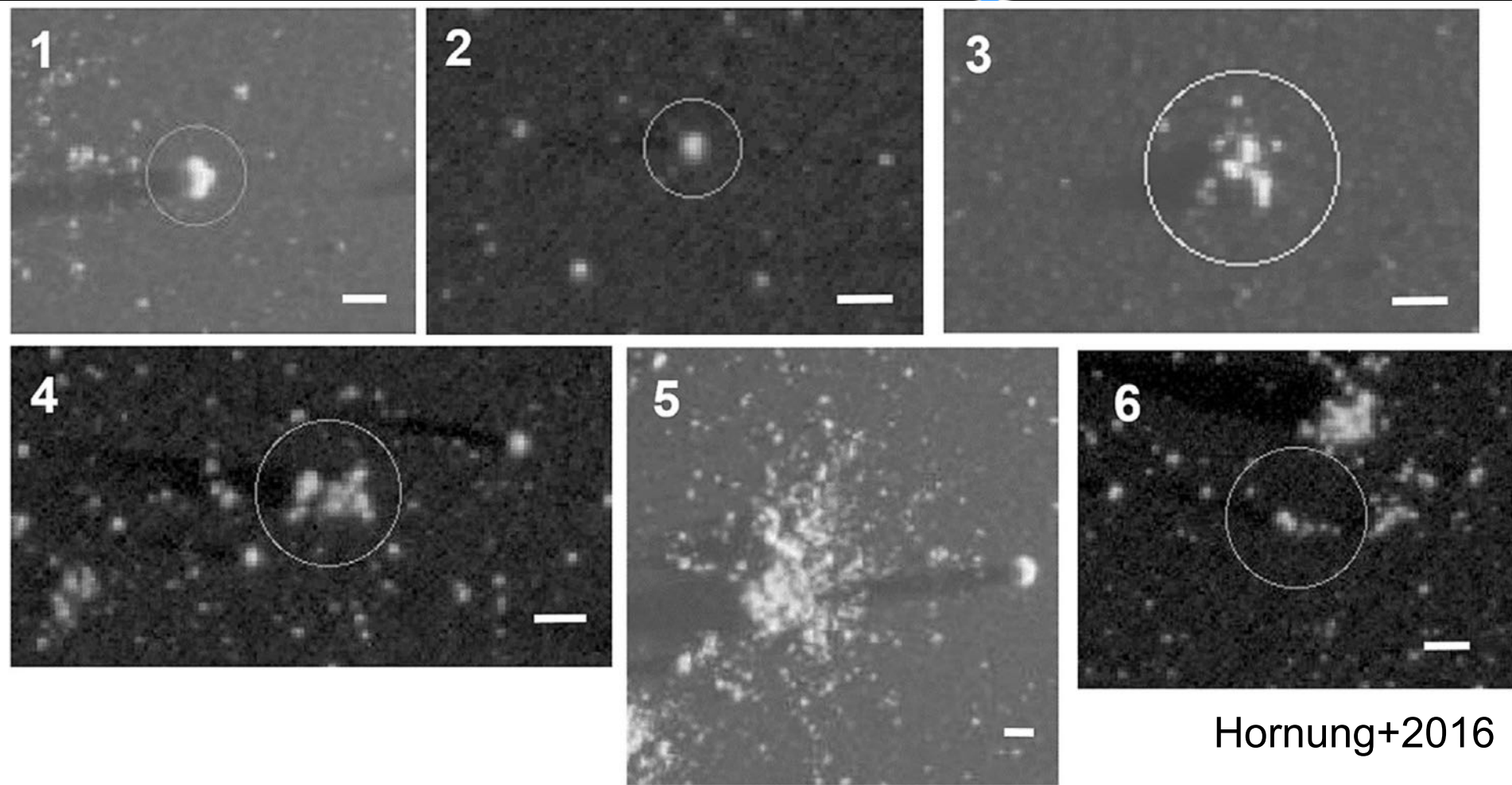


Langevin+2016
Merouane+2016



Compact grains of COSIMA \equiv fluffy grains for GIADA...

Tensile strength



Hornung+2016

- Most particles fragmented upon impact
- low tensile strength ~ 1000 to 2000 Pa

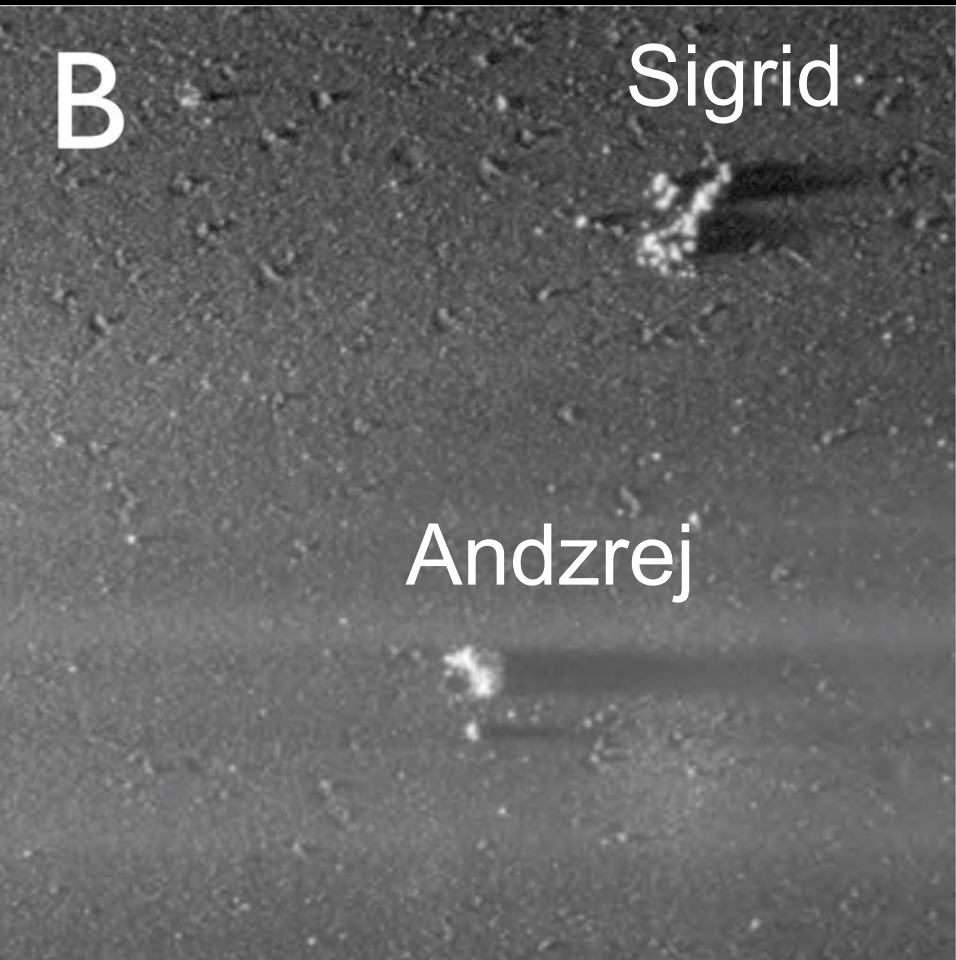
Modification of dust by COSIMA analyses



Before

Hilchenbach+2017

Modification of dust by COSIMA analyses



After pressing Andrzej

Hilchenbach+2017

Modification of dust by COSIMA analyses



After neg. spectra on Andrzej

Hilchenbach+2017

Modification of dust by COSIMA analyses



After pos. spectra on Andrzej

Hilchenbach+2017

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After neg. spectra on Sigrid

Hilchenbach+2017

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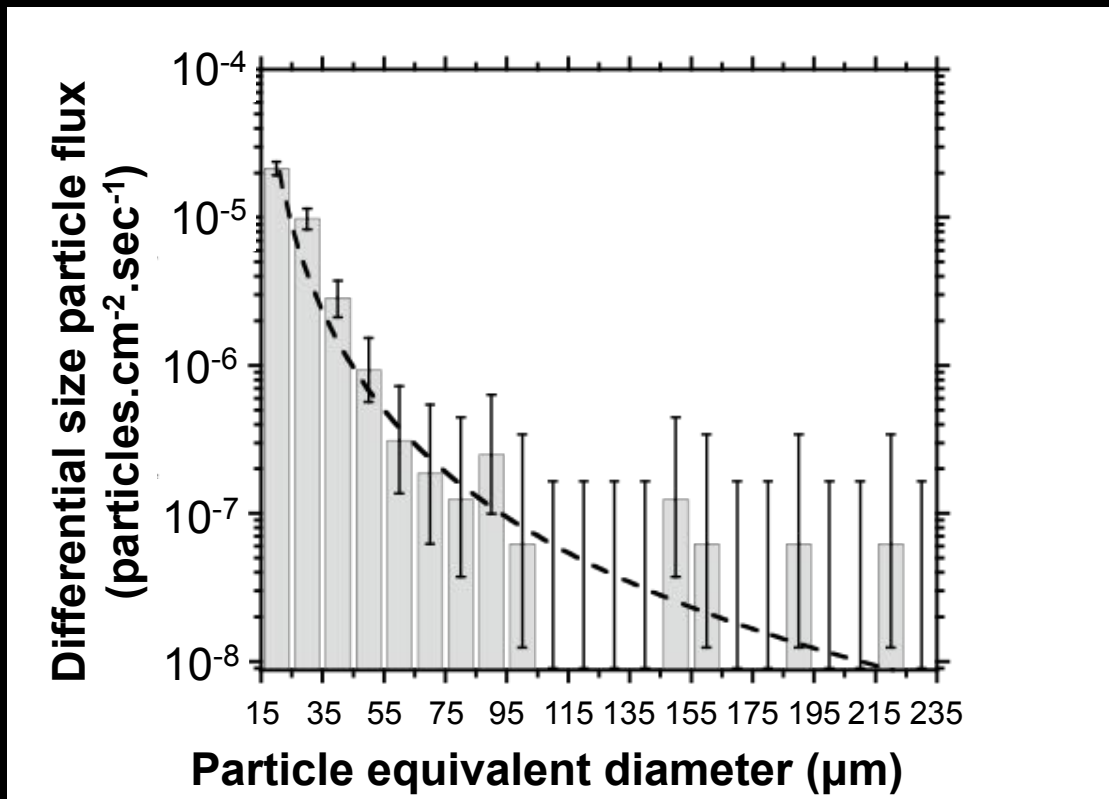


After pos. spectra on Sigrid

Hilchenbach+2017



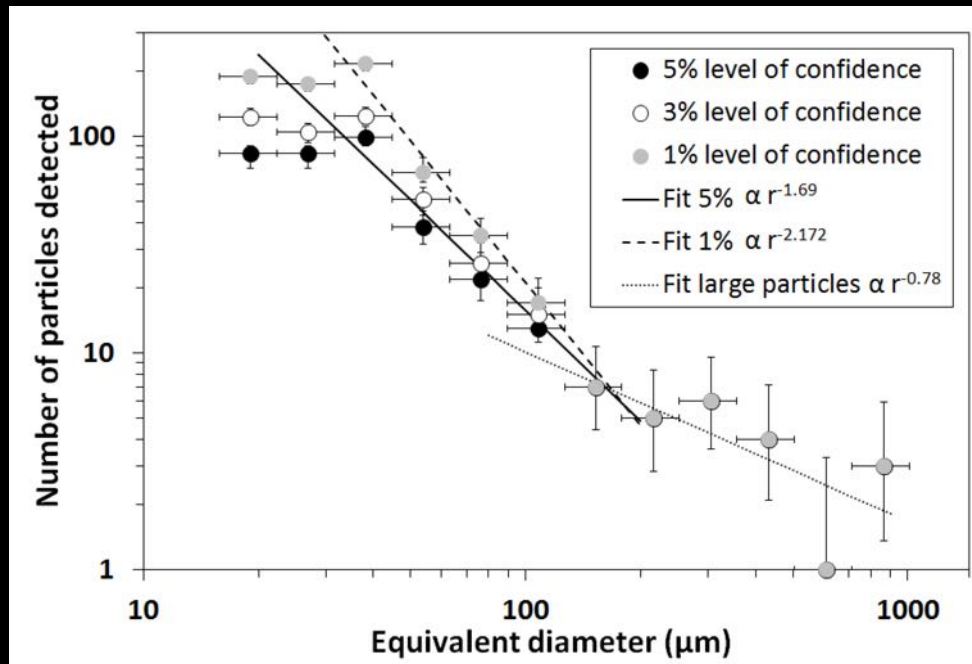
Average grain size distribution*



(Merouane et al. 2016)

* time interval : Aug. 11 to Oct. 24 2014

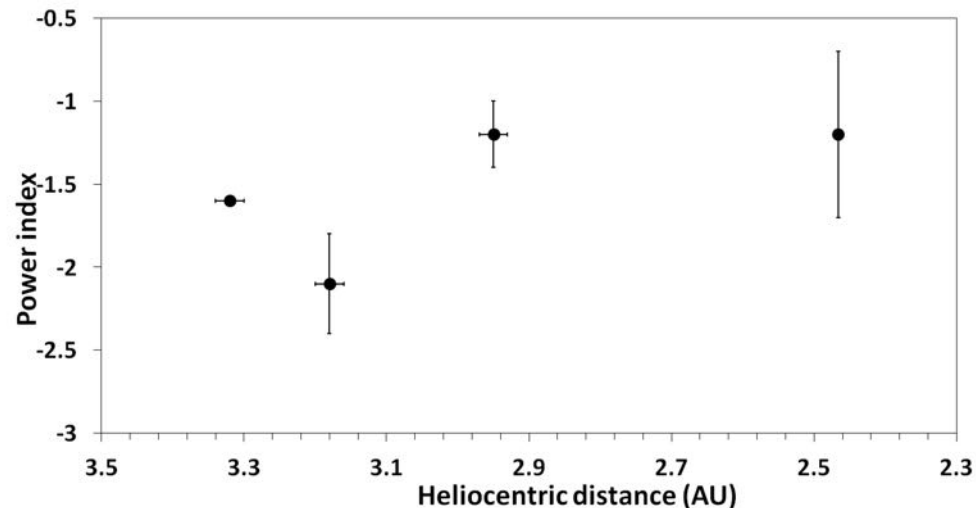
COSIMA size distribution



30-150 μm $r^{-1.9 \pm 0.3}$

> 150 μm power index ~ 0.8

Merouane+2016



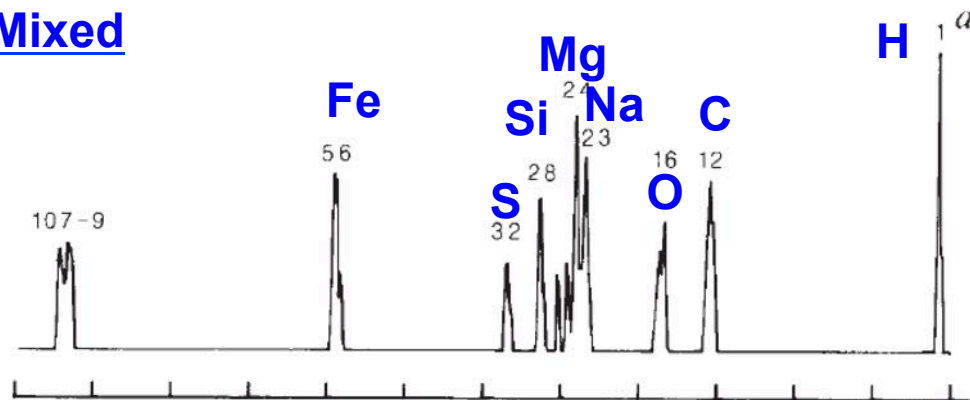
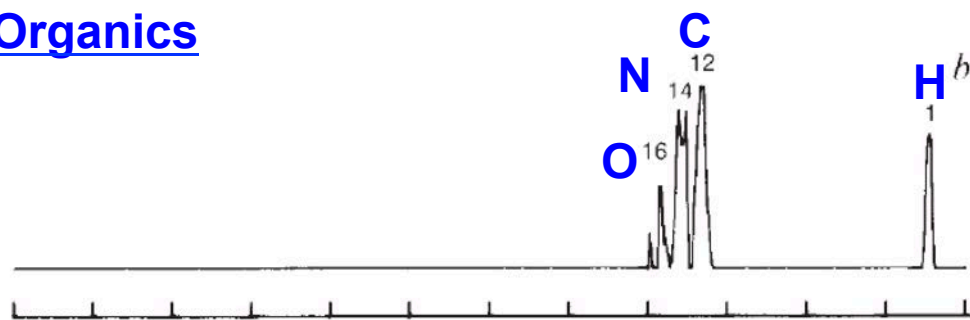
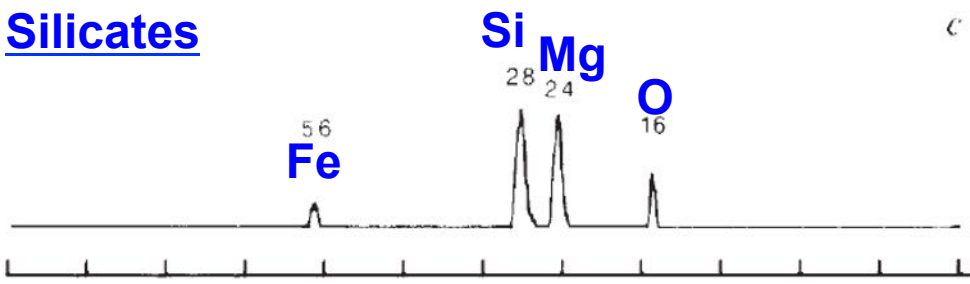
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1986

Comet Halley

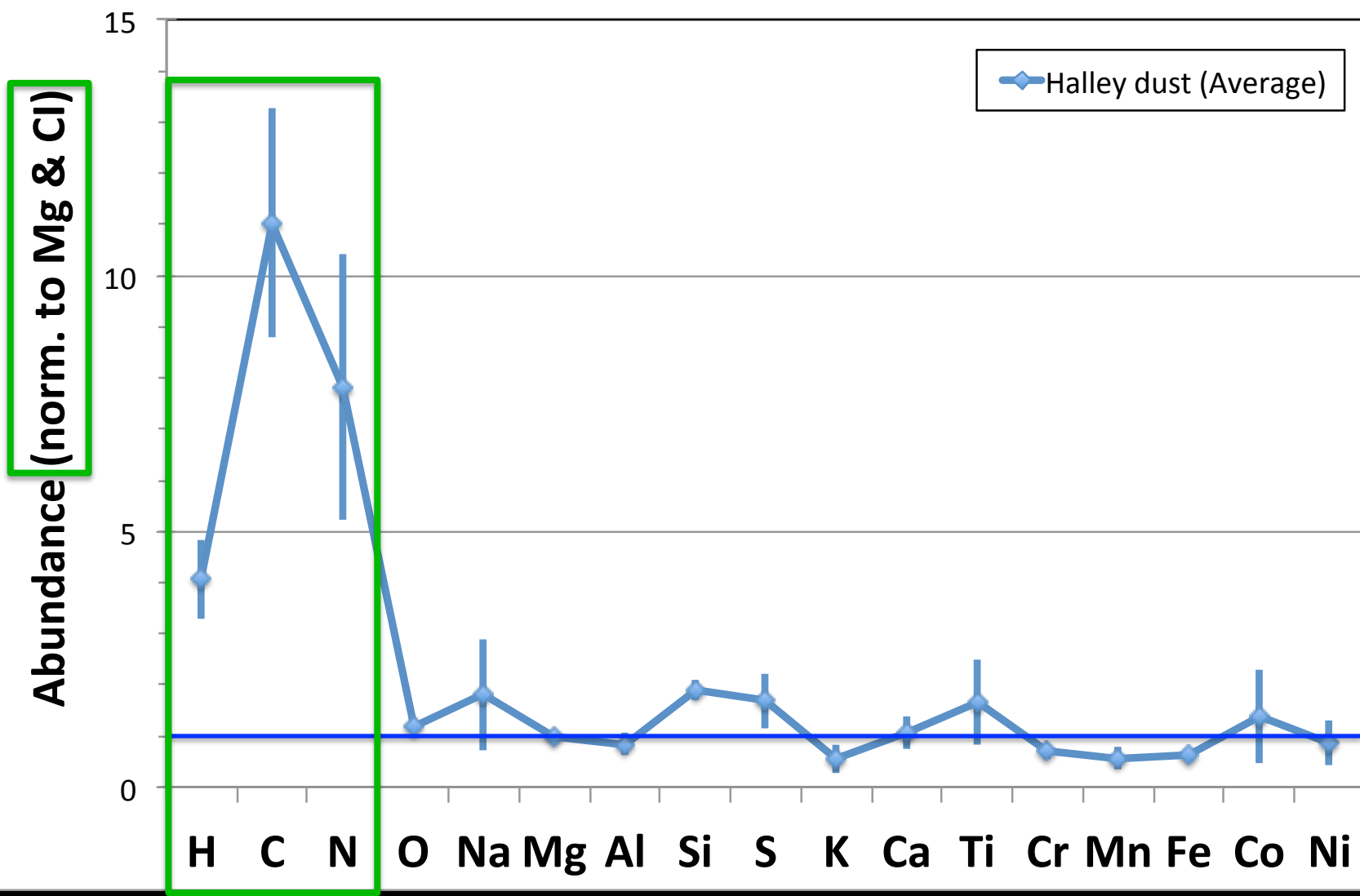
80% of
the spectra

- « CHON particles »
(or CHNOPS)
- Role of comet in input of
prebiotic compounds?

MixedOrganicsSilicates

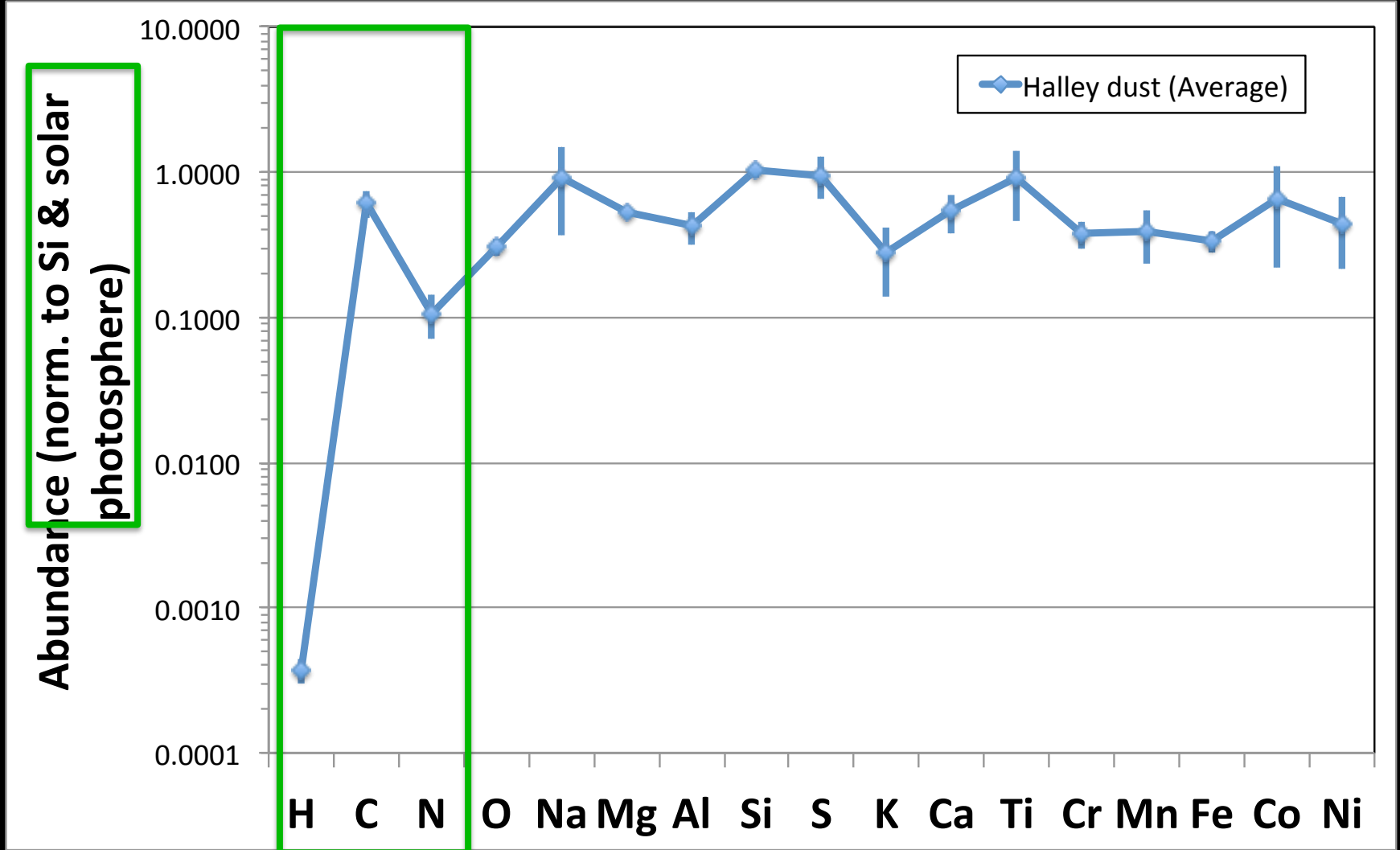
(Kissel et al. 1986)

Halley (VEGA) PUMA experiment



(Jessberger et al. 1988
Lodders et al. 2010)

Halley (VEGA) PUMA experiment



(Jessberger et al. 1988
Lodders et al., 2009)

Dust Composition by COSIMA

- T inside COSIMA ~ 10°C -> no icy grains
- Mass spectrometer = TOF-SIMS
 - Mass resolution of ~ 1400 @ 100u
 - Detection of positive or negative SI
 - Only surface analysis (contamination problem! ☹)
- Organics and inorganics :
 - Calibration for organics (Le Roy+2015) – mostly chemical compounds
 - Calibration for inorganics (Krueger+2015) – only for positive SI

Composition of Dust w/ COSIMA

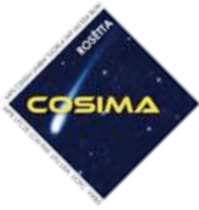
– PhD A. Bardyn



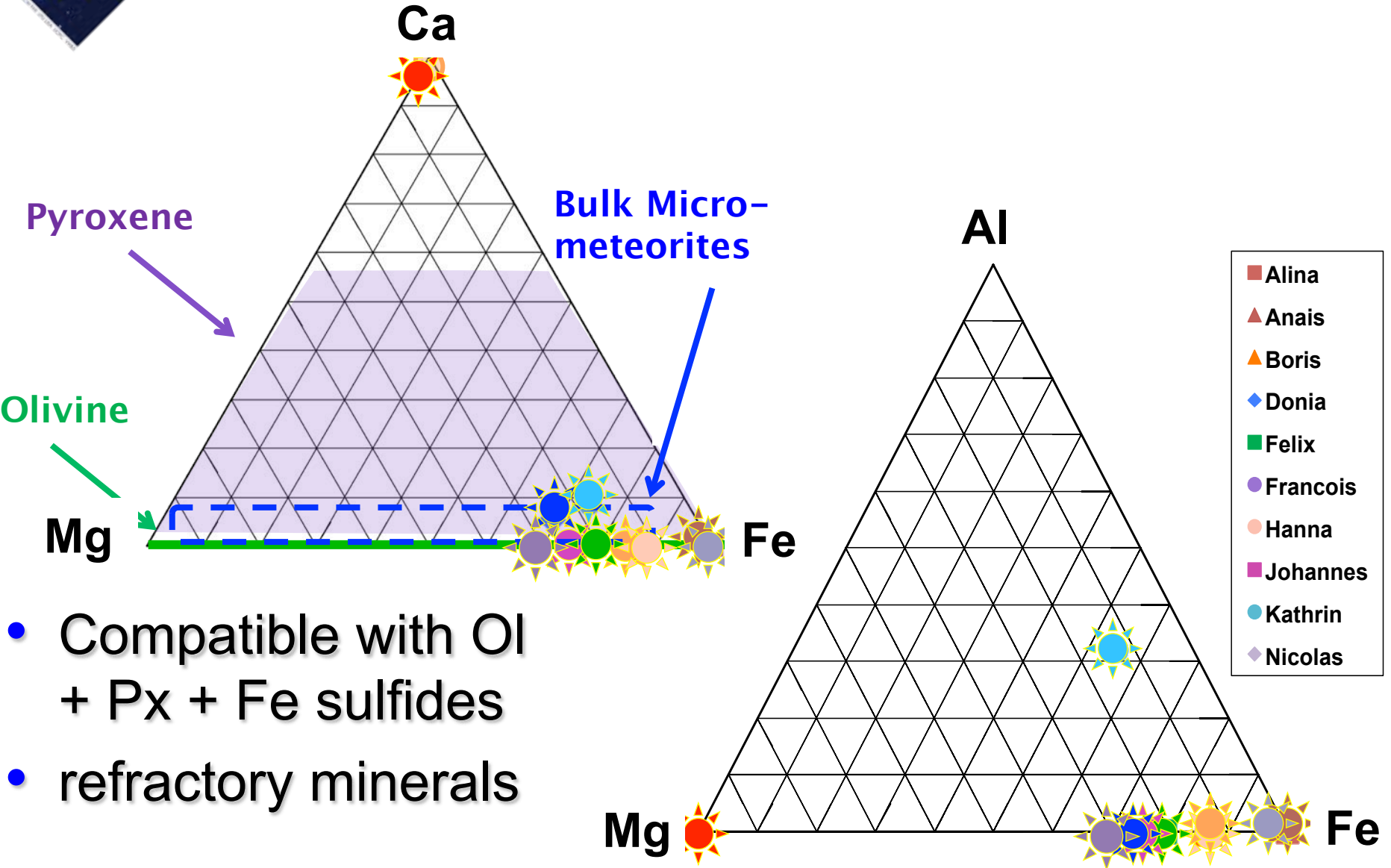
https://cnes.fr/sites/default/files/drupal/201702/default/cnesmag_71_fr_web-simple.pdf

- She was 5 at the time of selection of Rosetta!

Slides on compositions removed
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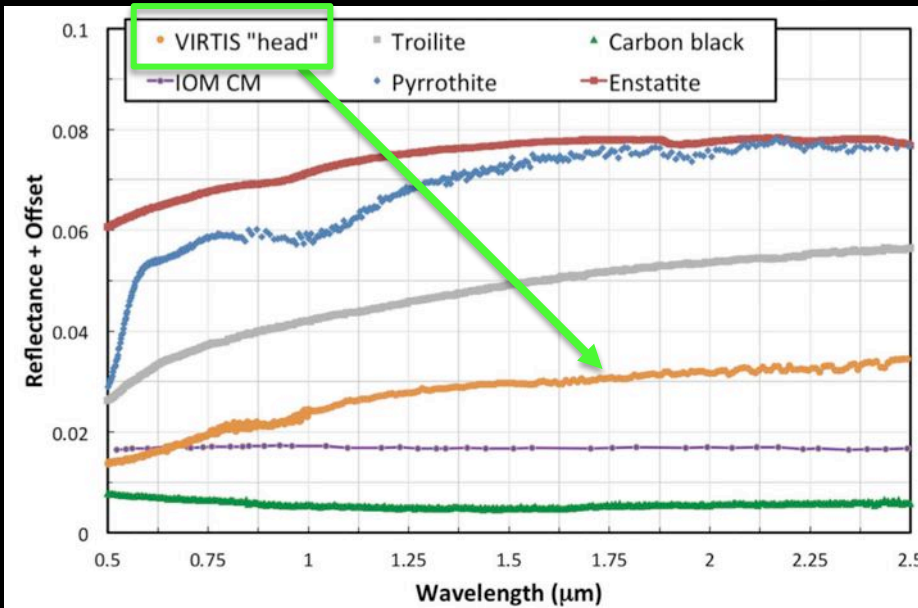


An attempt at mineralogy with COSIMA



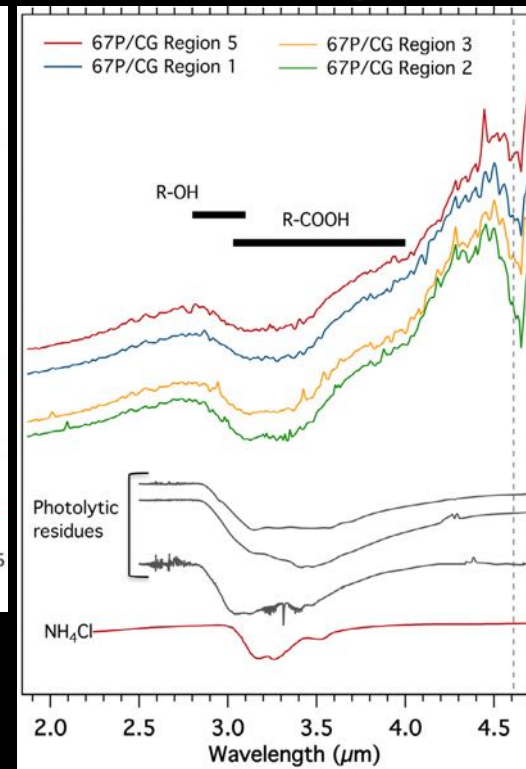
- Compatible with Ol + Px + Fe sulfides
- refractory minerals

Surface composition (VIRTIS)



(En, Pyrrhotite, troilite spectra scaled down by 100 75 and 50% resp.

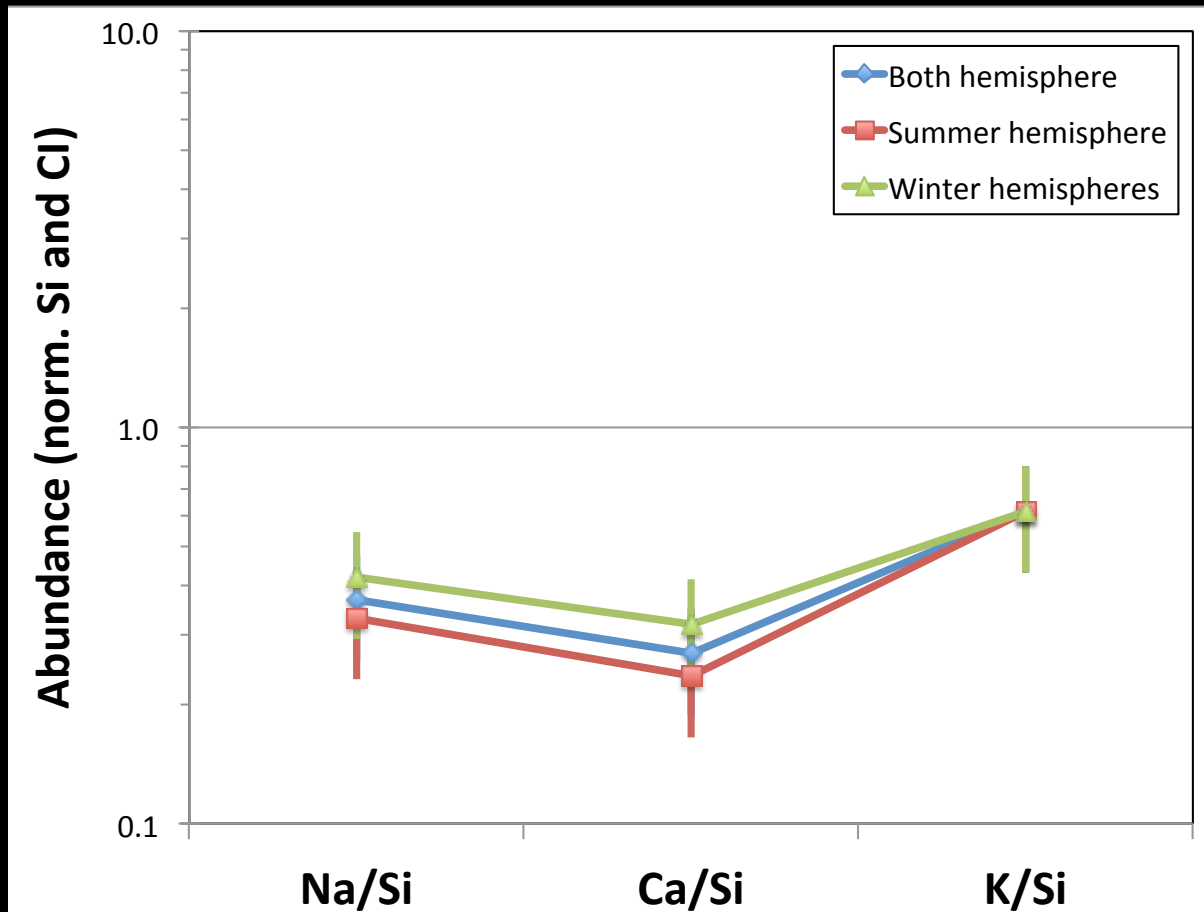
(Capaccioni et al. 2015)



(Quirico et al. 2016)

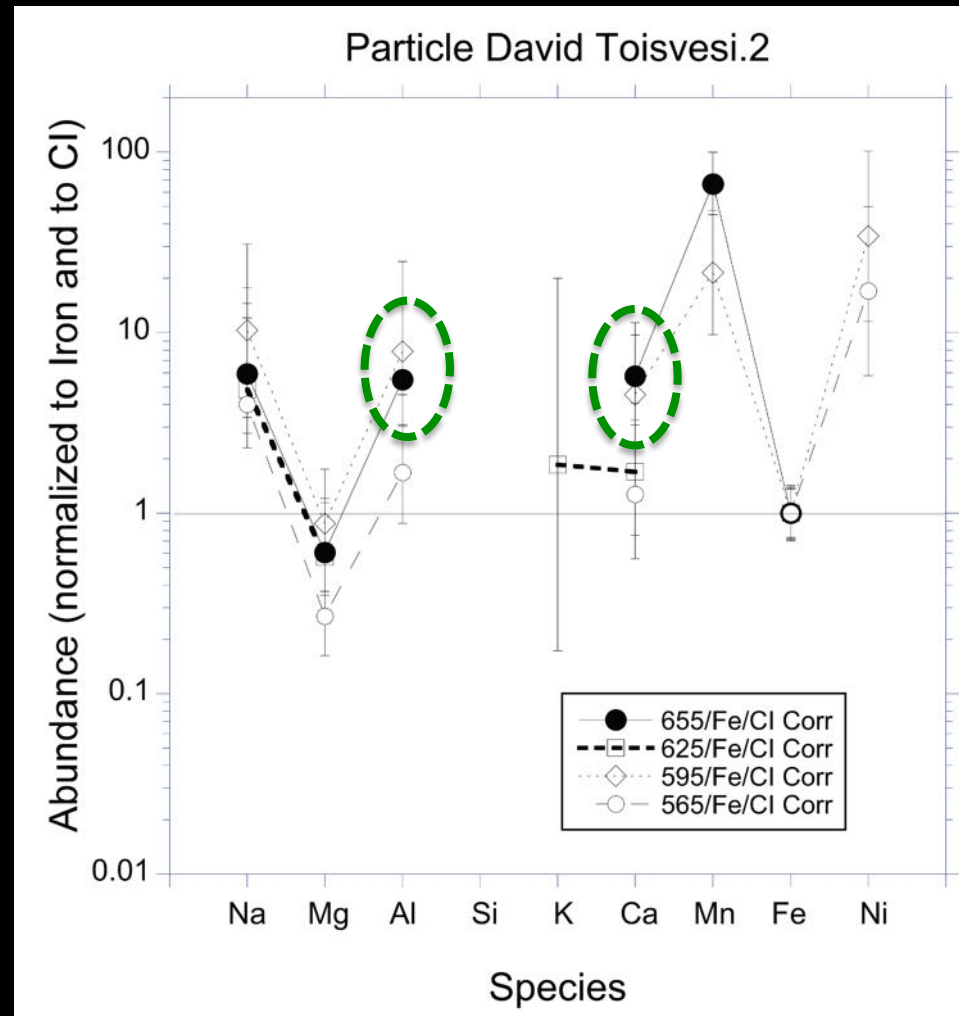
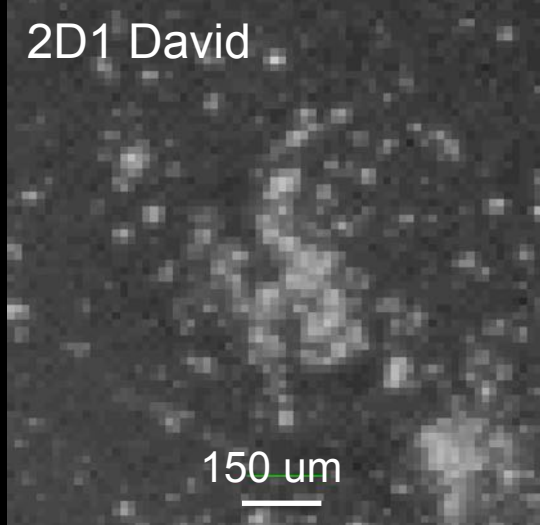
- Very low albedo (0.060 ± 0.003 at 0.55 μm), Red slope in NIR then flat spectrum, Broad absorption $\sim 3.2 \mu\text{m}$
- ⇒ Surface (a few 100s μm): T nucleus $\sim 180\text{-}230\text{K}$
- ⇒ No water ice signature (1.5, 2, 3 μm bands) (10m scale) – upper limit 1%
- ⇒ Darkening: sulfides and Fe-Ni alloys? (also red visible slope)
- ⇒ Polyaromatic organic solids
- ⇒ 3.2 μm : OH in COOH group? NH₄⁺?

Comp. dust (*ROSINA*)



(Wurz et al. 2015)

Hint for a CAI in 67P/C-G (COSIMA)



(Paquette et al. 2016)

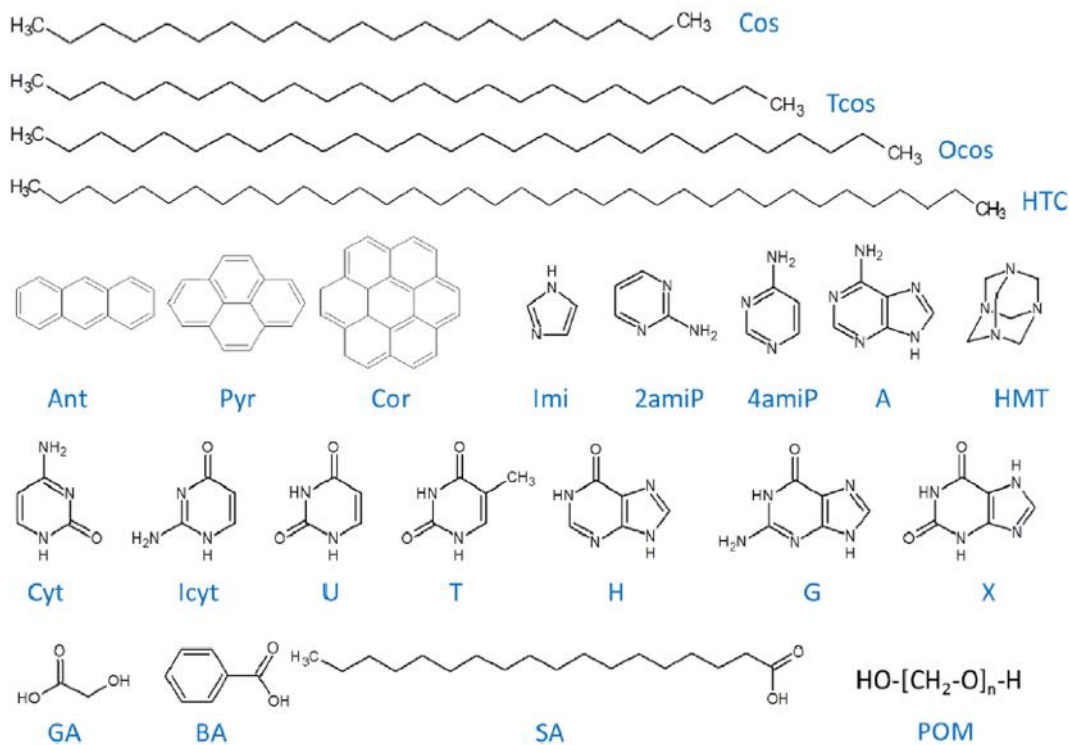
Organics : Instrument calibration



- **Before the comet: building a reference library for this specific instrument**
- Rationale :
 - Previous observations
 - Lab analogs
 - Astrophysical analogs
 - Quantification

○ 23 different “semi-volatile” molecules

- Different chemical families
- Different structures

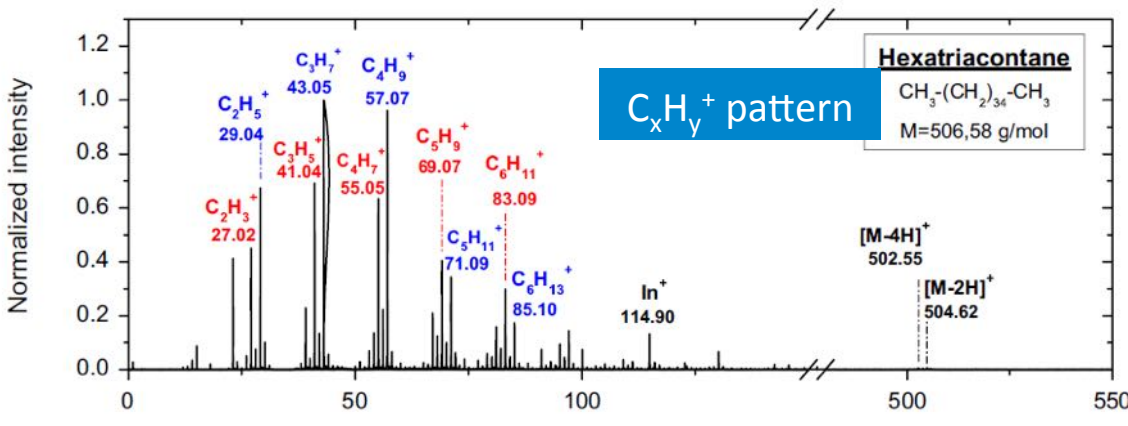


Le Roy et al. (2012) PSS, 65, 83-92
and

Le Roy et al. (2015) PSS, 105, 1-25

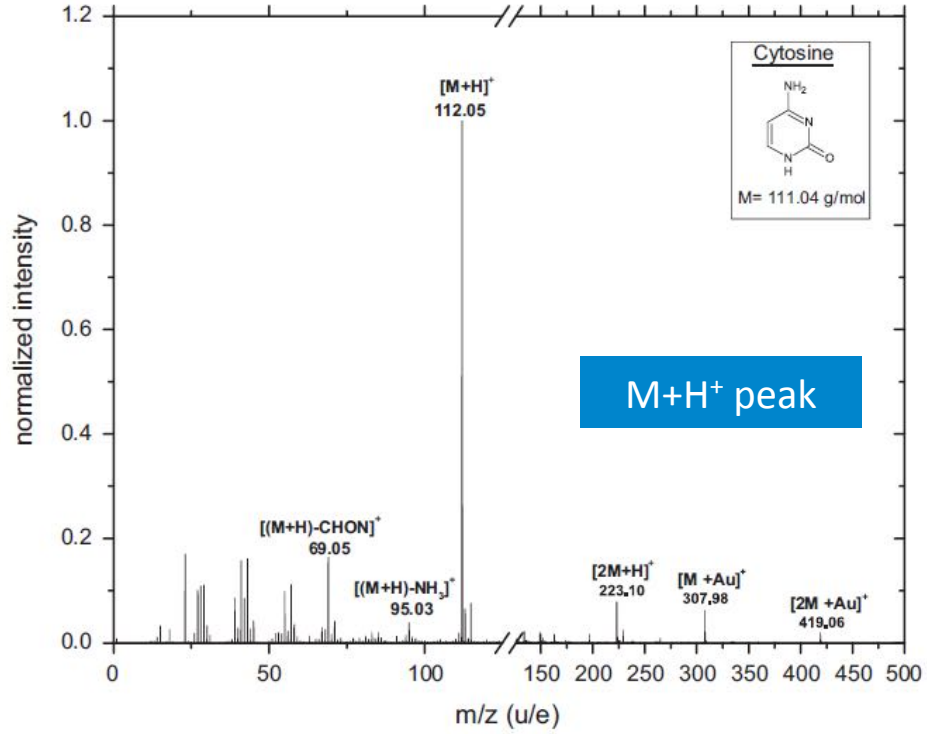
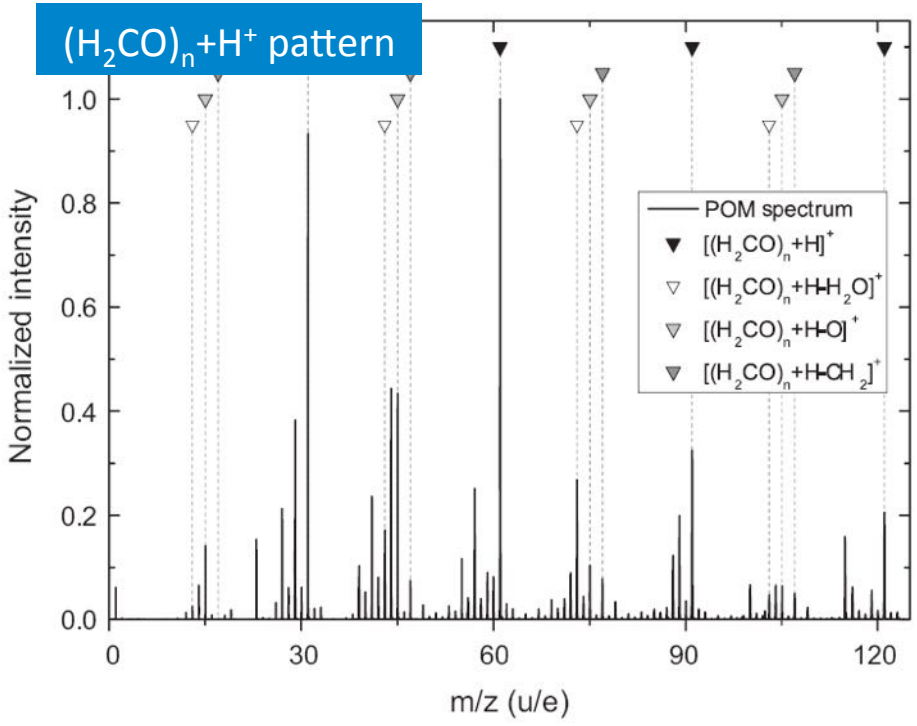
(N. Fray Comets2016 conf.)

Instrument calibration : some positive ion mass spectra



Positive spectra dominated by

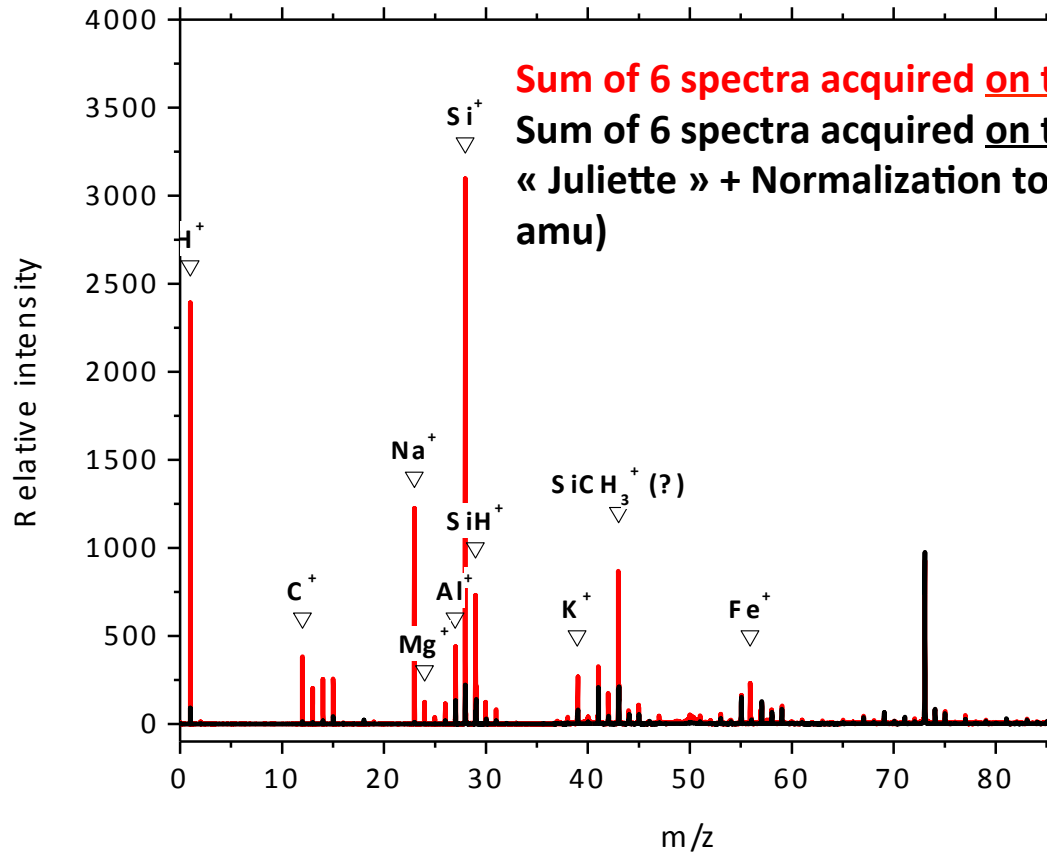
- $C_xH_y^+$ pattern
- $M+H^+$ peak
- ...
- **Numerous ionic fragments**
- **the most intense peaks are located at "high" masses.**



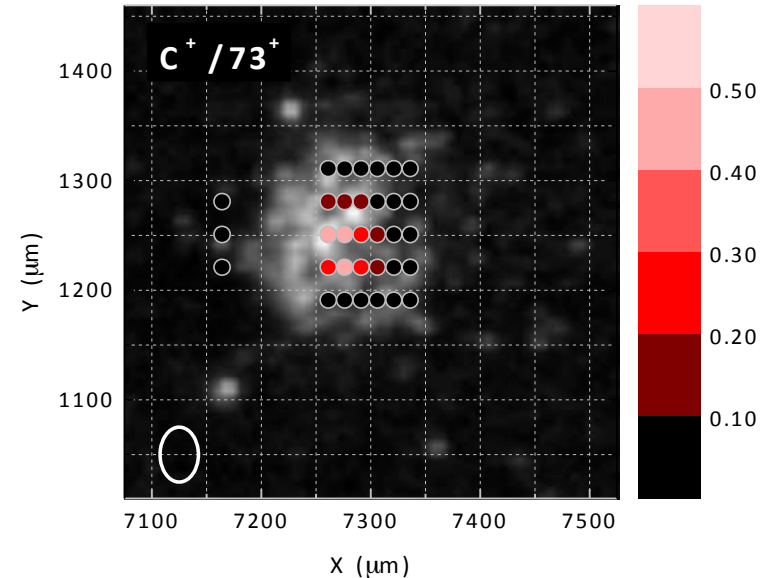
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Le Roy et al. (2012) & Le Roy et al. (2015)

Positive ion mass spectra of cometary particles



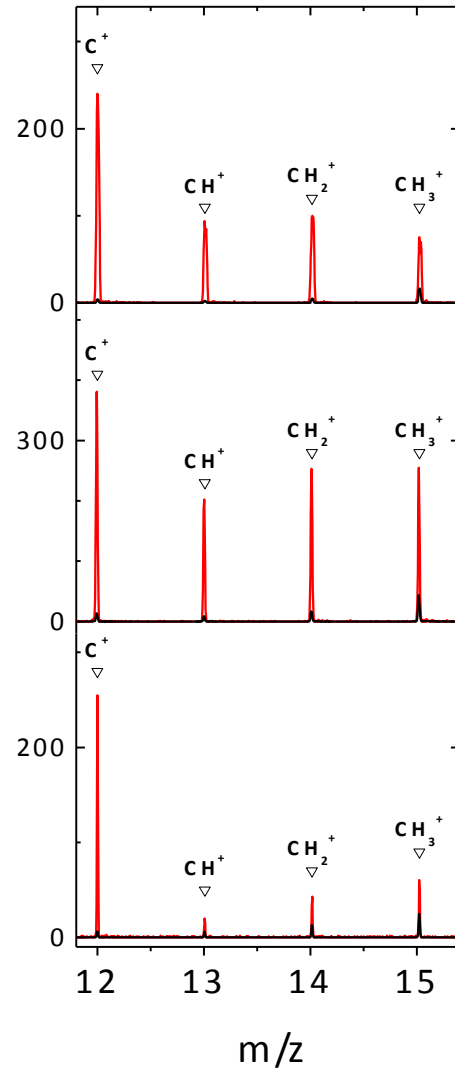
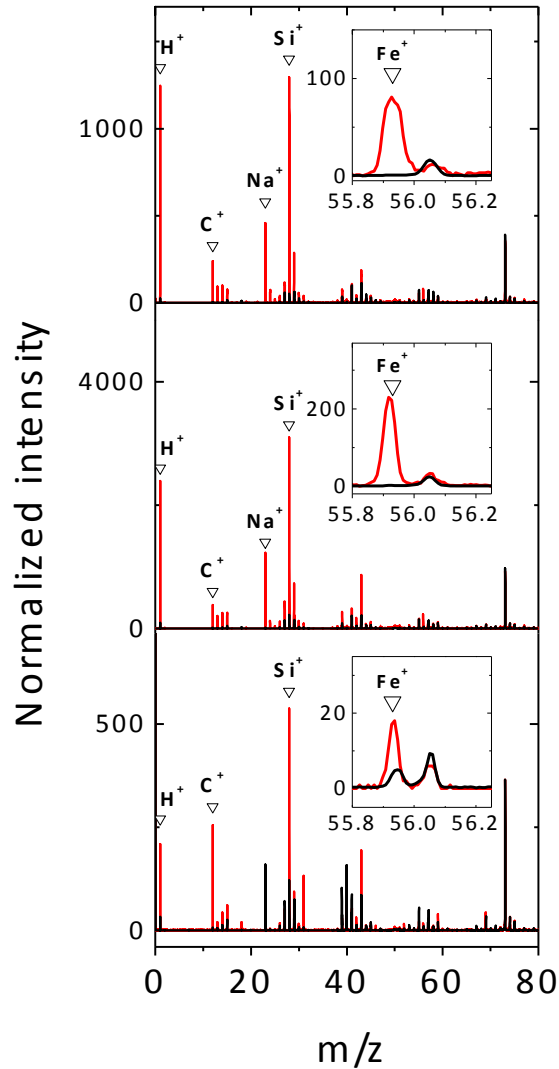
Sum of 6 spectra acquired on the « Juliette » particles
 Sum of 6 spectra acquired on the substrate at the vicinity of
 « Juliette » + Normalization to the most intense peak of PDMS ($m/z=73$
 amu)



- ❖ **Detection of numerous elements and of organic ions (C^+ , CH^+ , CH_2^+ , CH_3^+ , ...)**
- ❖ **Detection of ions containing carbon and originating from the comet, only at low masses ($m/z < 50$). The mass spectra of cometary particles are different from the calibration mass spectra presented before !**
- ❖ **No detection of “semi-volatiles” organic molecules, so far...**

(N. Fray
 Comets2016 conf.)

Positive ion mass spectra of cometary particles



○ The best analogues found so far to the organic signatures of the 67P particles are the insoluble organic matter (IOM) samples extracted from carbonaceous chondrites (such as the Orgueil and Murchison meteorites)

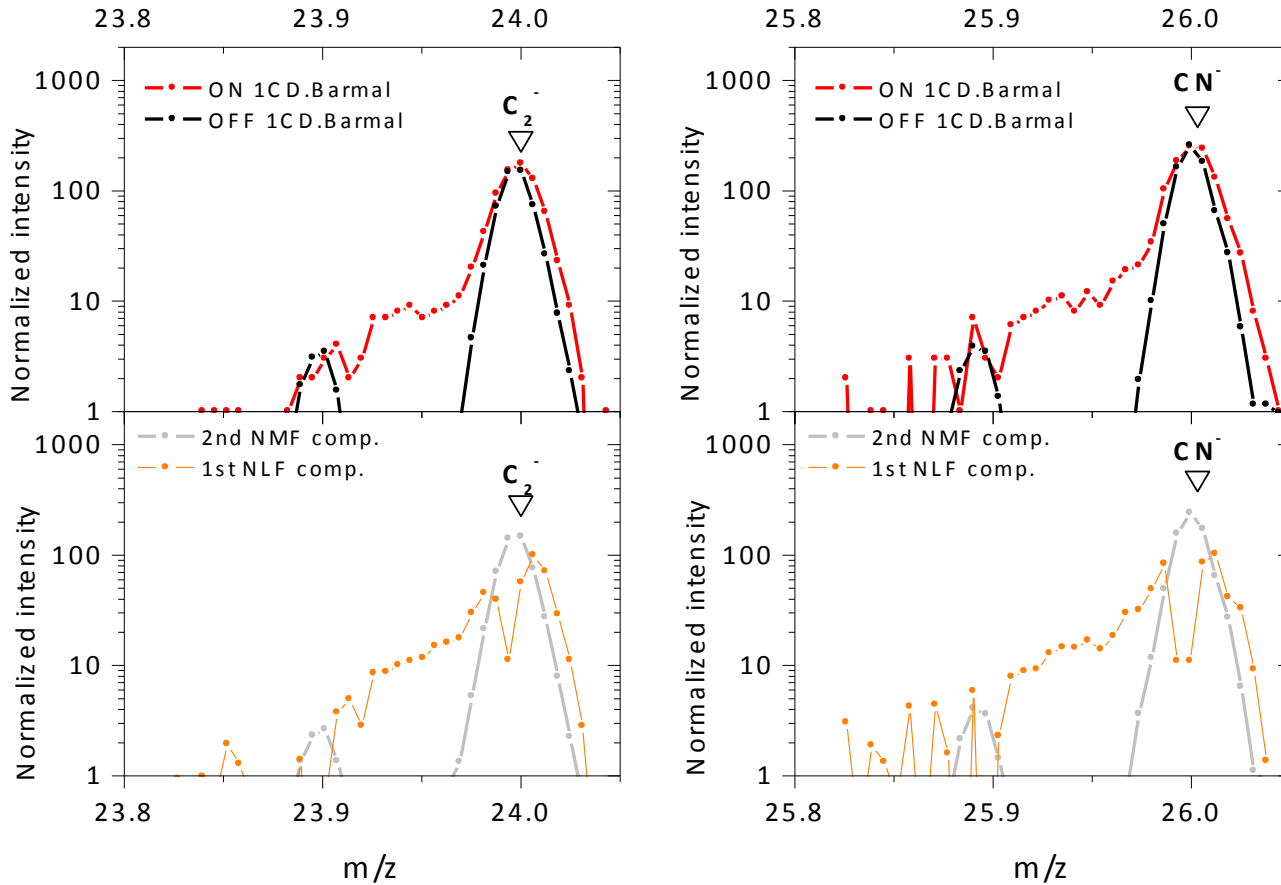
⇒ **Detection of refractory high-molecular-weight organic matter in the particles of 67P !**

○ The (CH_x^+ / C^+) ionic ratios are higher on the cometary particles than on the IOM sample

⇒ **H/C elemental ratio can be higher in the cometary refractory organic matter than in meteoritical IOM.**

(Fray et al. 2016)

C/N? Negative ion mass spectra of cometary particle



(N. Fray Comets2016 conf.)

(Fray et al. 2017 in prep)

- ❖ C_2^- and CN^- are detected in the negative spectra of cometary particles (as well as C^- , CH^- , CH_2^- , C_2H^- , ...).
- ❖ CN^- and C_2^- ions enables the measurements of the N/C elemental ratio in cometary particles.

Slides on N/C removed (not published)



Summary

- Dust instruments : more than 30,000 particles collected/detected from $<1 \mu\text{m}$ (MIDAS) to $> 500 \mu\text{m}$ (COSIMA, GIADA)
- COSIMA : Flocculent particles (for all sizes), inorganic composition compatible with presence of anhydrous minerals (Ol, Px, Fe-sulfides)
 - similarity with IDPs/MMs collected on Earth
- Composition for inorganic elements ~ chondritic
- Hint for the presence of CAI minerals
- COSIMA analyses of organics not obvious :
 - Organic matter ~ meteoritic IOM?
 - atomic C/Si (Bardyn et al. 2017 sub)
 - atomic N/C (Fray et al. 2017 in prep)
 - Composition compatible with low surface albedo : refractory organics with minerals (silicates, Fe-sulfides)
- COSIMA: a lot more data to analyze...