

Solids under extreme pressure

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Carl Linnaeus

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OUTLINE

- **Brief introduction on the necessity of high-pressure research**
- **Basics of diamond anvil cell technique**
- **Examples of modern cutting edge investigations of matter under extreme conditions:**

„Looking” throughout Sodium

on inducing an insulating state in elemental sodium

Squeezing „salt” out of Ammonia

on the proton transfer between neutral ammonia molecules

Irresistible „smell” of Hydrogen

on high-temperature superconductivity in hydrogen dominant materials

„Turning” Nitrogen into diamond

on transformation of molecular nitrogen to single-bonded atomic solid

New „taste” of chemistry

on unexpected chemical composition

„Ground”-breaking news

on possible processes at high-pressure high-temperature conditions similar to the Earth's interior

Why is research at high pressure important ?

What pressure range would be of interest for study ?

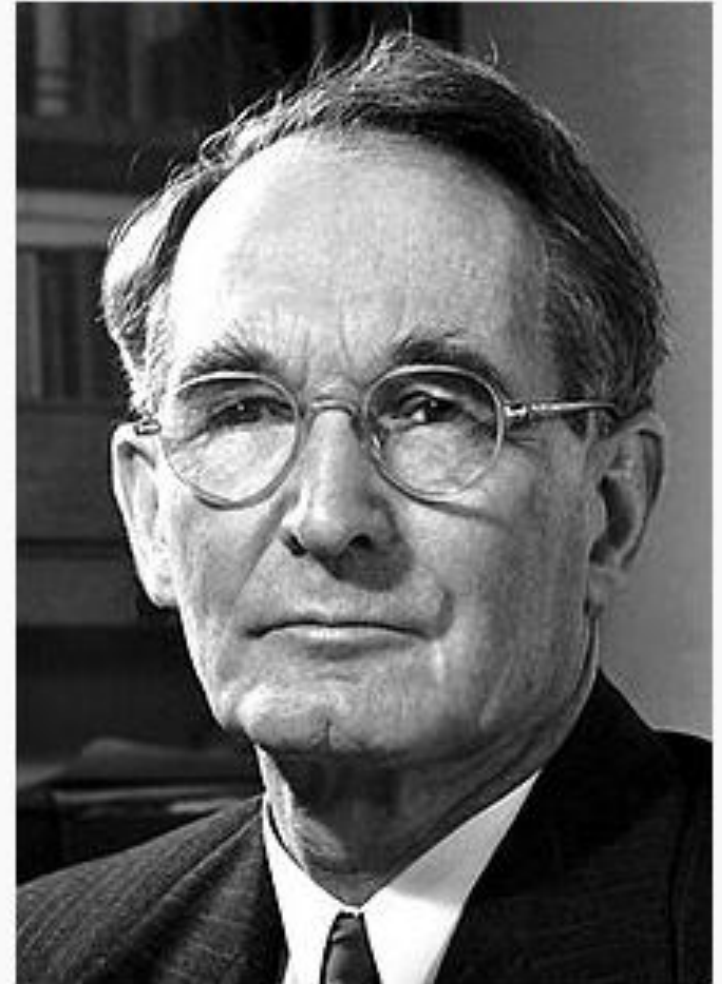
How can pressure be generated ?



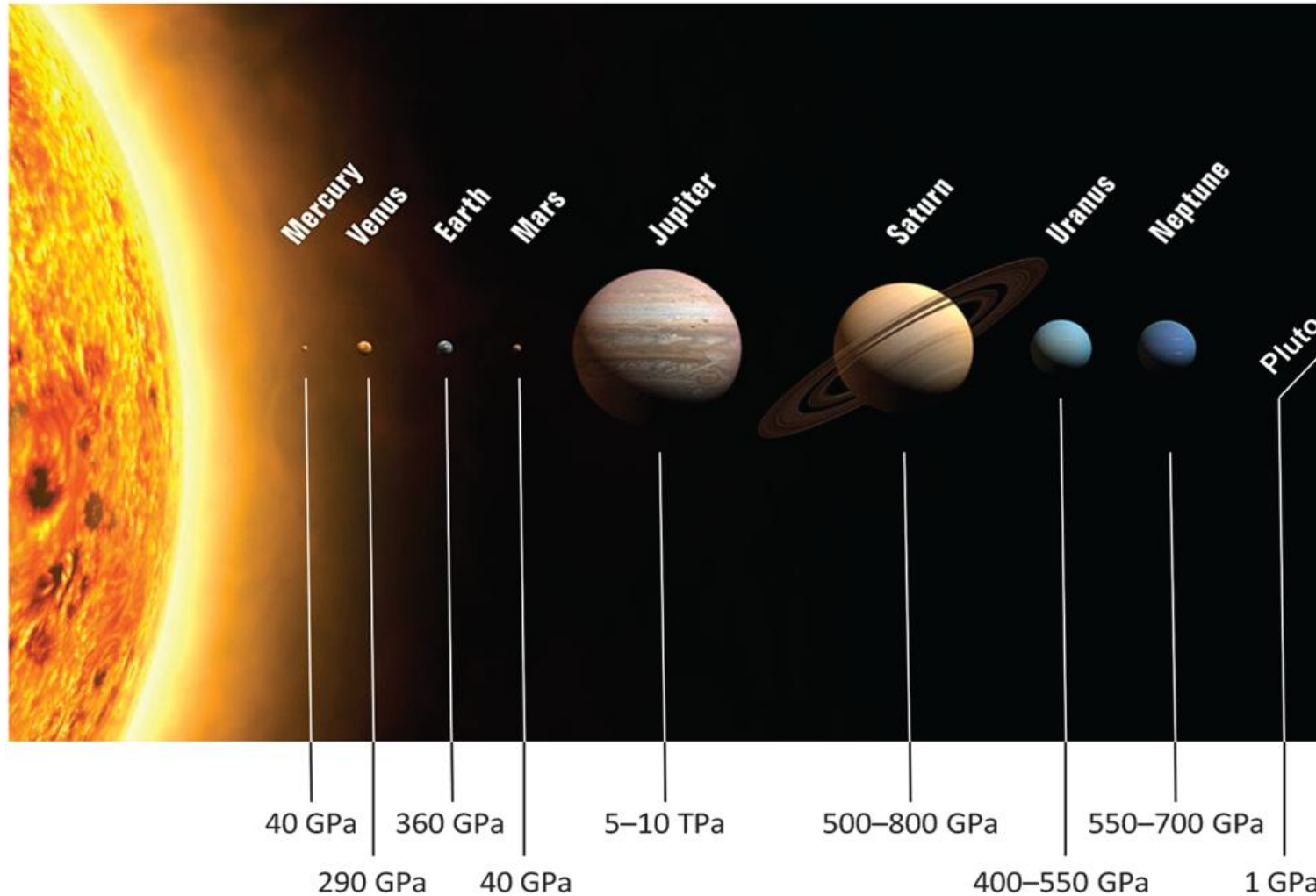
1946 - Nobel prize in Physics

Pressure range up to 10 GPa (10 000 atm)

Percy Williams Bridgman



Pressure in the Universe: 10^{-32} do 10^{32} atm.



1 GPa = 10^3 atm

Pressure in Laboratory: od $\sim 10^{-20}$ do $\sim 5 \times 10^6$ atm.

E. Zurek and W. Grochala

Predicting crystal structures and properties of matter under extreme conditions *via* quantum mechanics: the pressure is on

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Generation of pressure



static techniques



Piston-cylinder
(~2 GPa)

Multi-anvil technique
(~50 GPa)

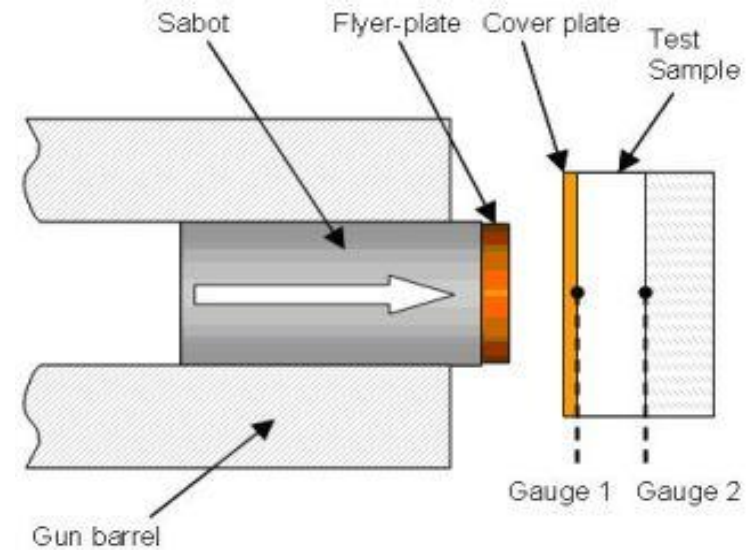


Anvil Cell
(~ 500 GPa)



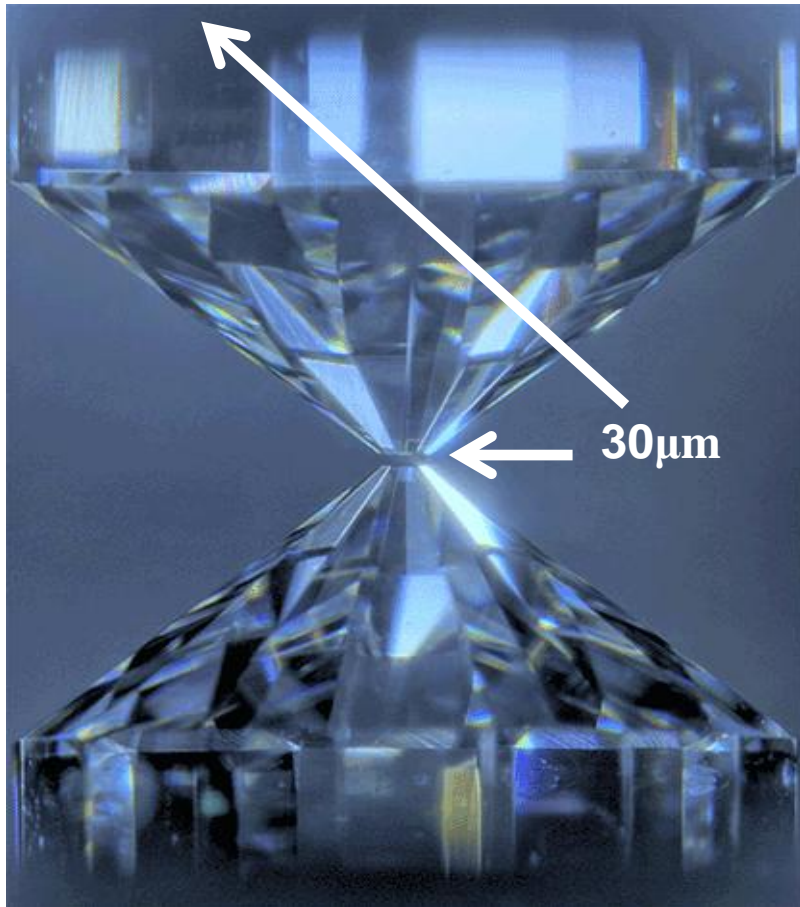
dynamic techniques

-Shock wave technique
(~ 300 GPa)

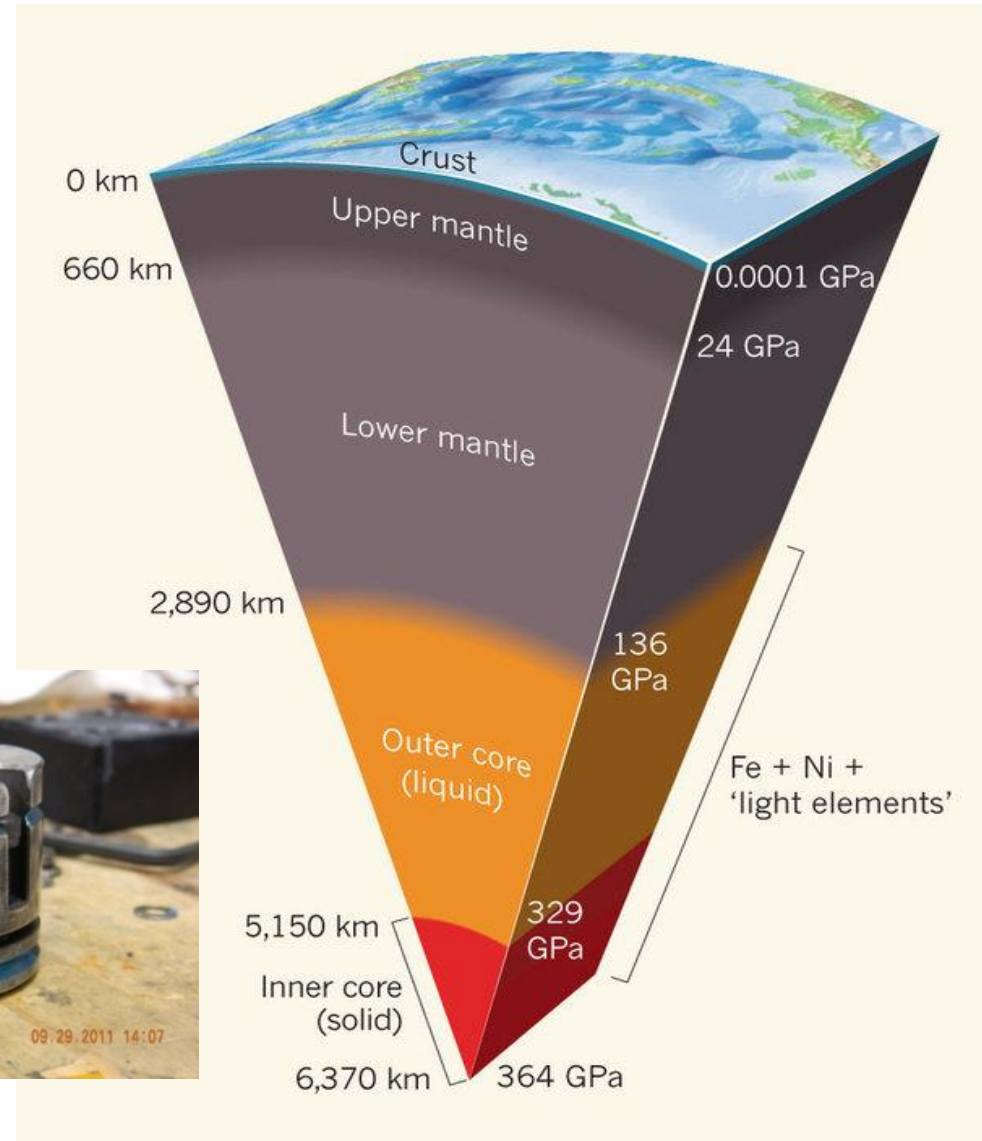


simple tool → astonishing effect

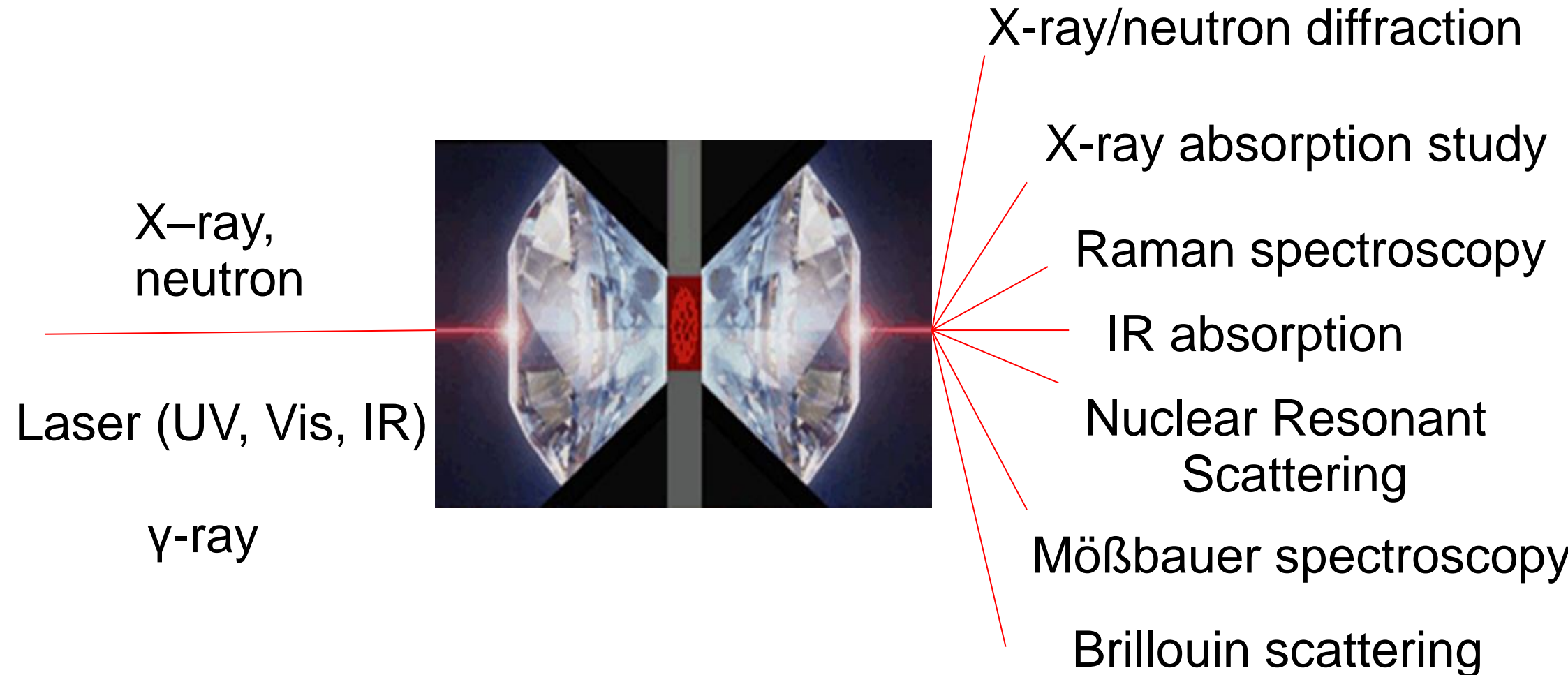
record pressure attained with DAC
~ **5 Mbar** (5×10^6 atm)



Diamond Anvil Cell - DAC



Diamond Anvils are suitable for various analytical techniques

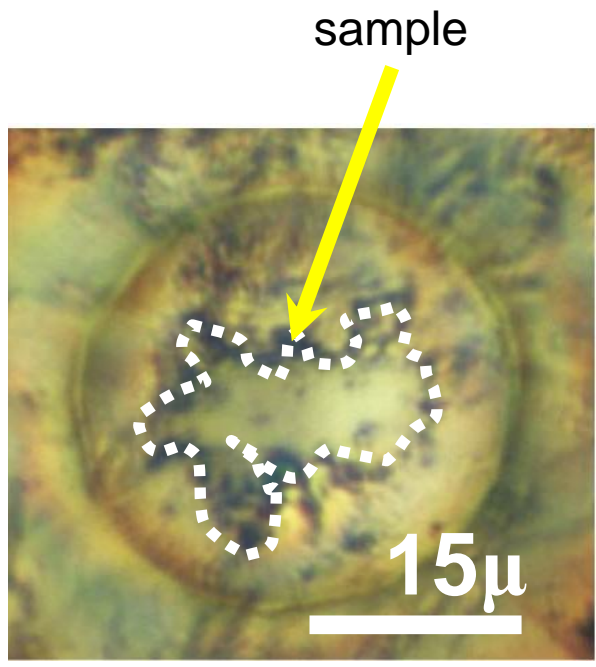


„Looking” throughout Sodium

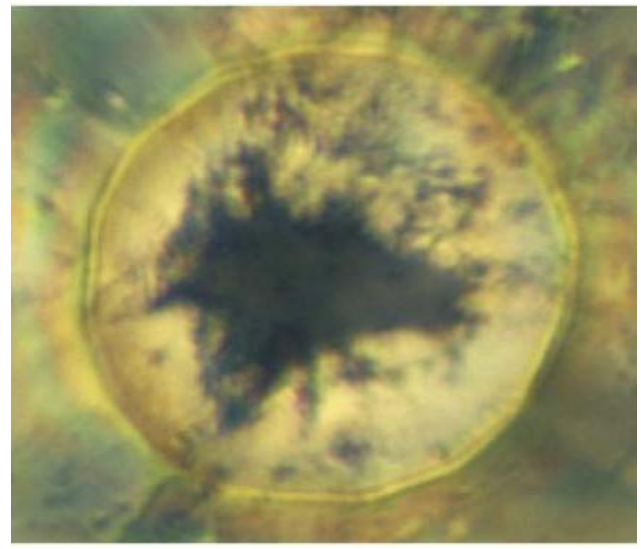
Transparent dense sodium

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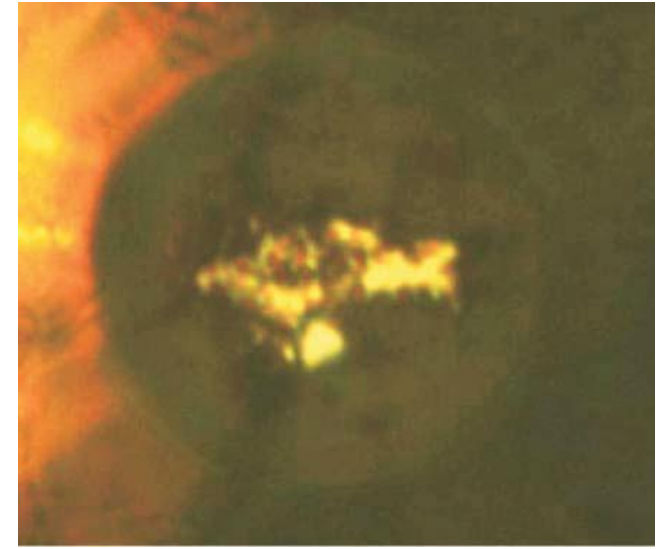
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120 GPa
Reflected light



156 GPa
Reflected light

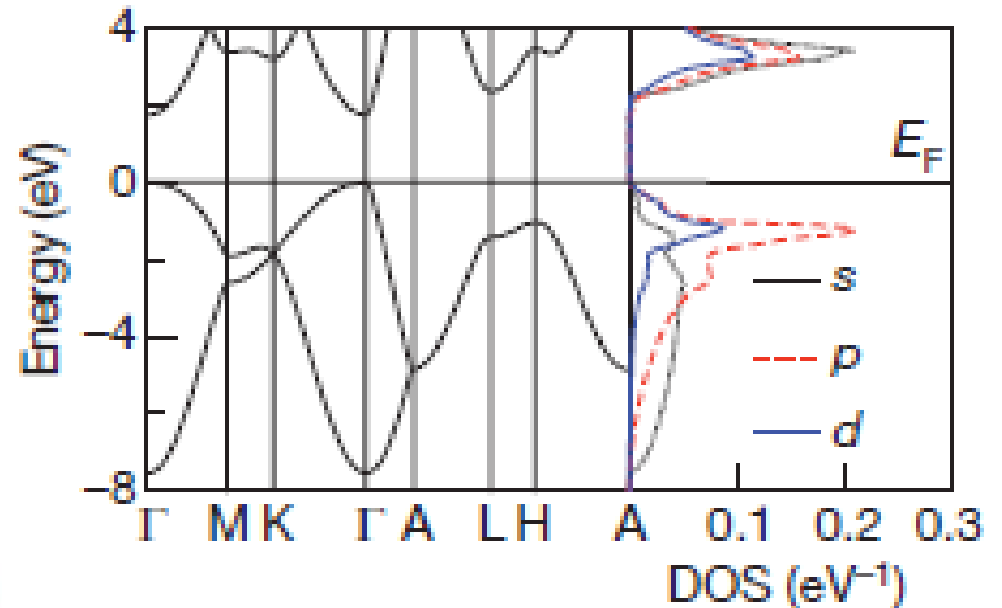
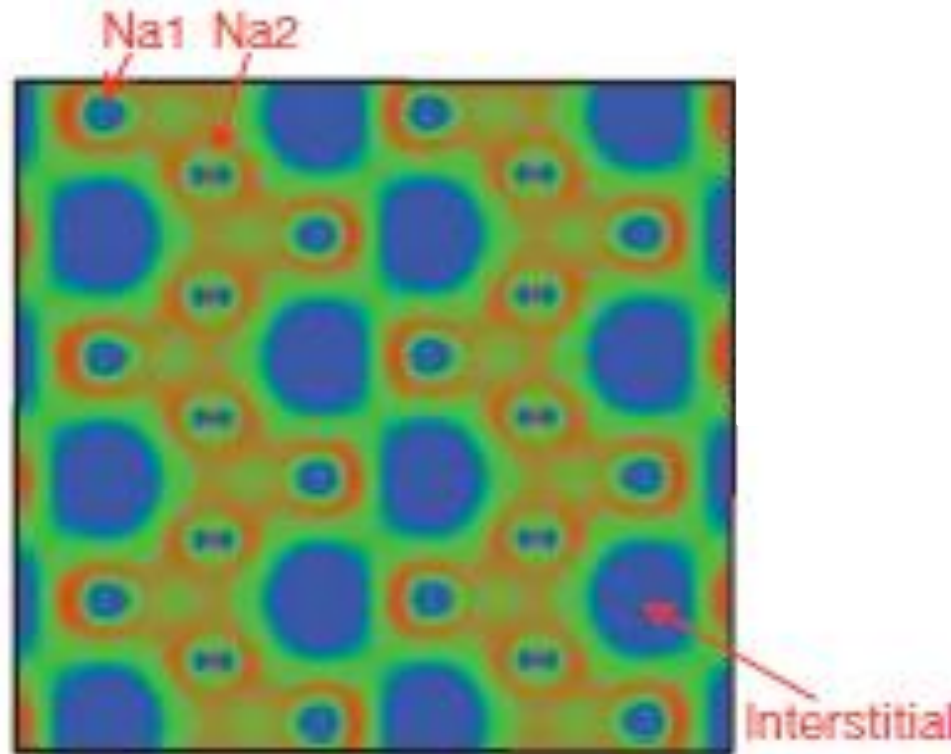


199 GPa
Transmitted light

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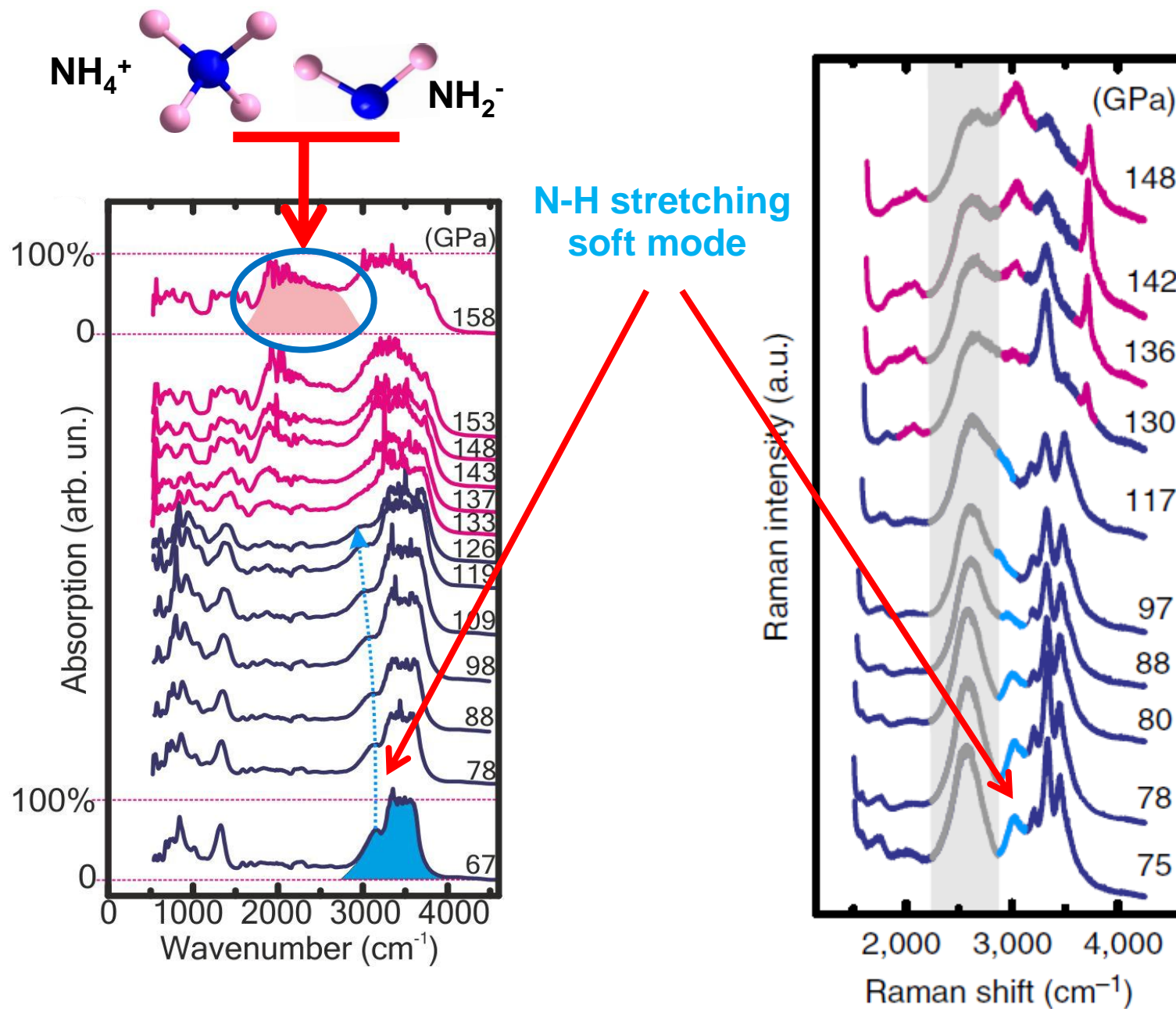


Overlapping sodium atoms force their outer electrons into the “holes” between the atoms.

Increased hybridization of 3*d* and 3*p* bands induces strong localization of electrons and subsequent gap opening.

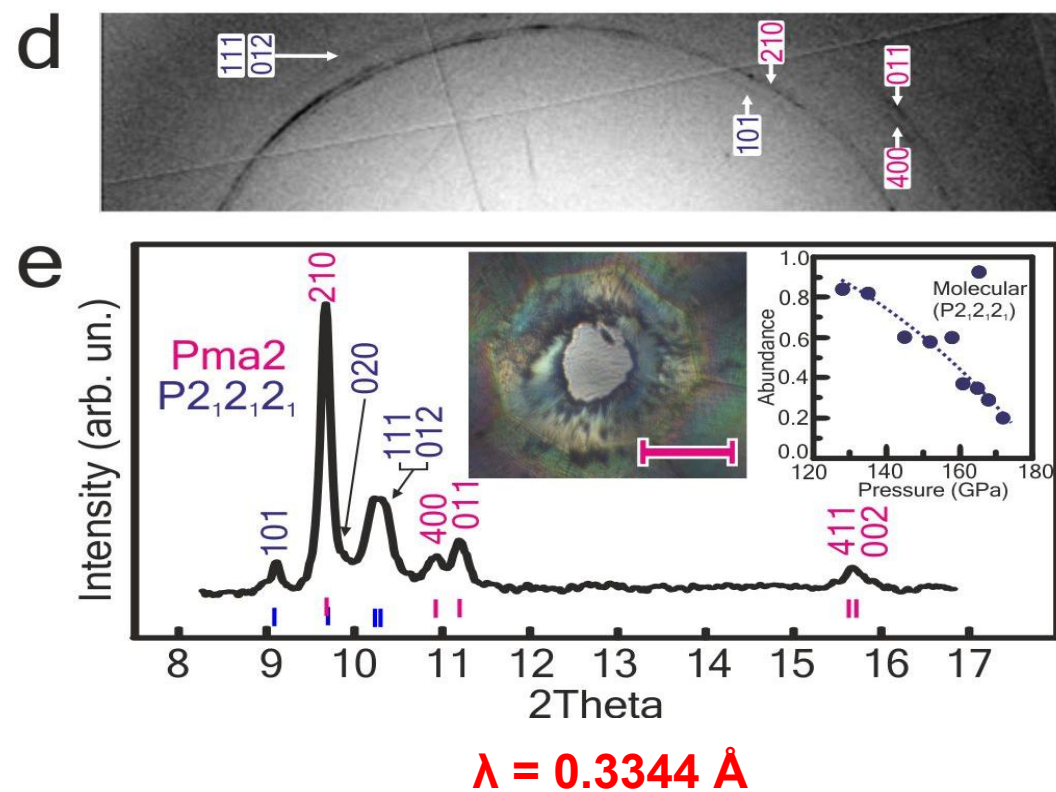
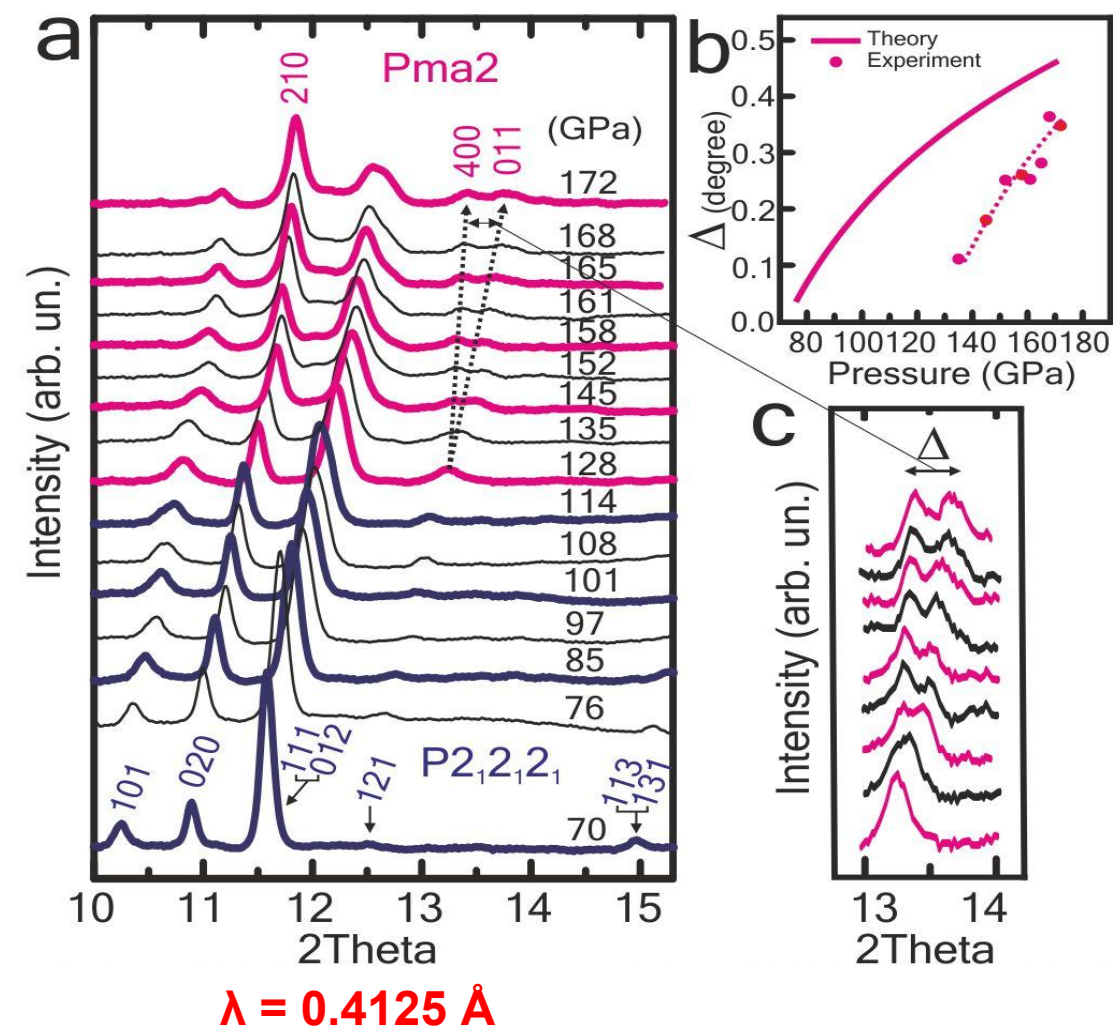
Squeezing „salt” out of Ammonia

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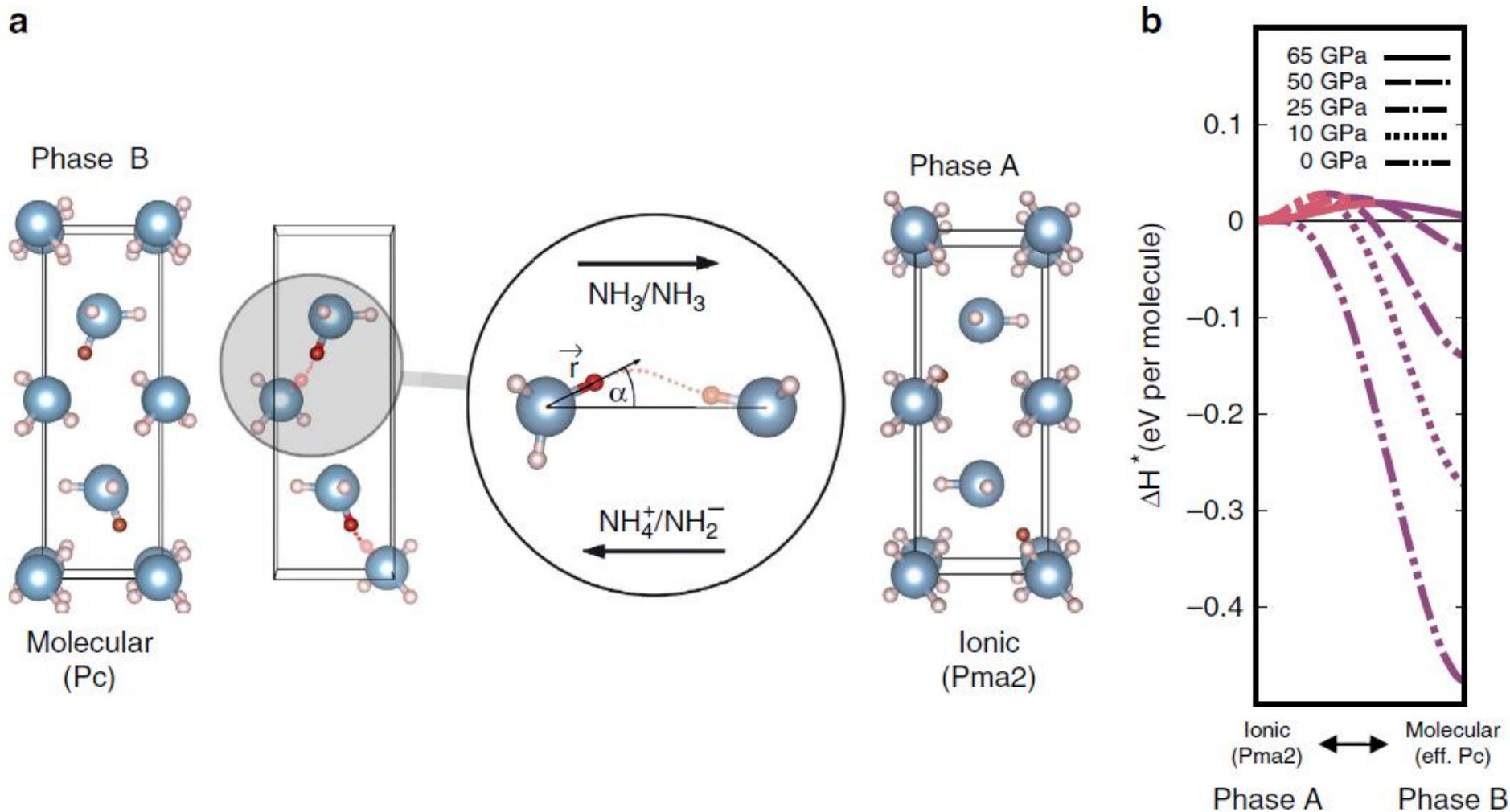
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Irresistible „smell” of Hydrogen

Hydrogen Dominant Metallic Alloys: High Temperature Superconductors?

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The arguments suggesting that metallic hydrogen, either as a monatomic or paired metal, should be a candidate for high temperature superconductivity are shown to apply with comparable weight to alloys of metallic hydrogen where hydrogen is a dominant constituent, for example, in the dense group IVa hydrides. The attainment of metallic states should be well within current capabilities of diamond anvil cells, but at pressures considerably lower than may be necessary for hydrogen.

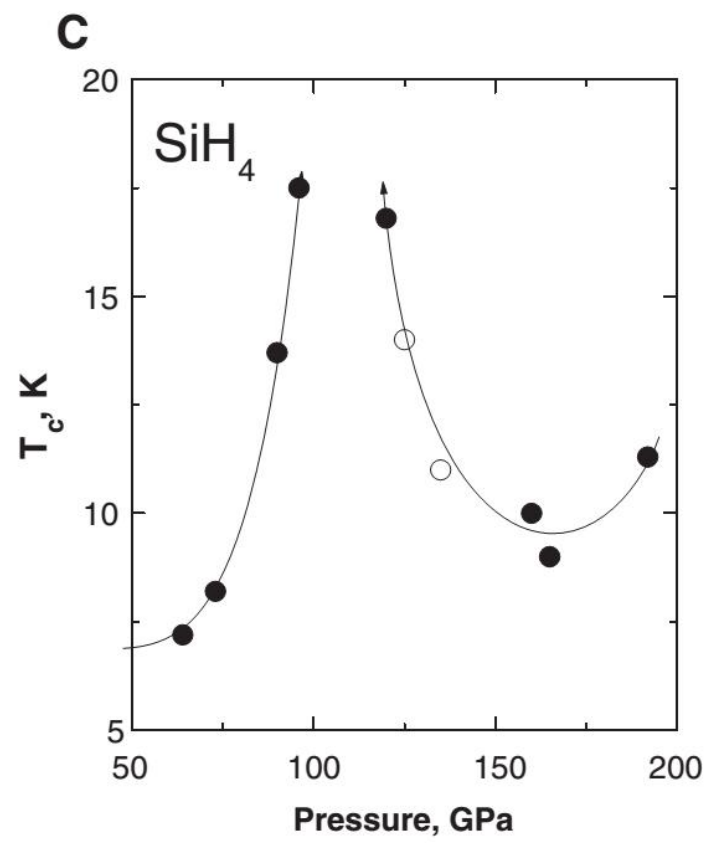
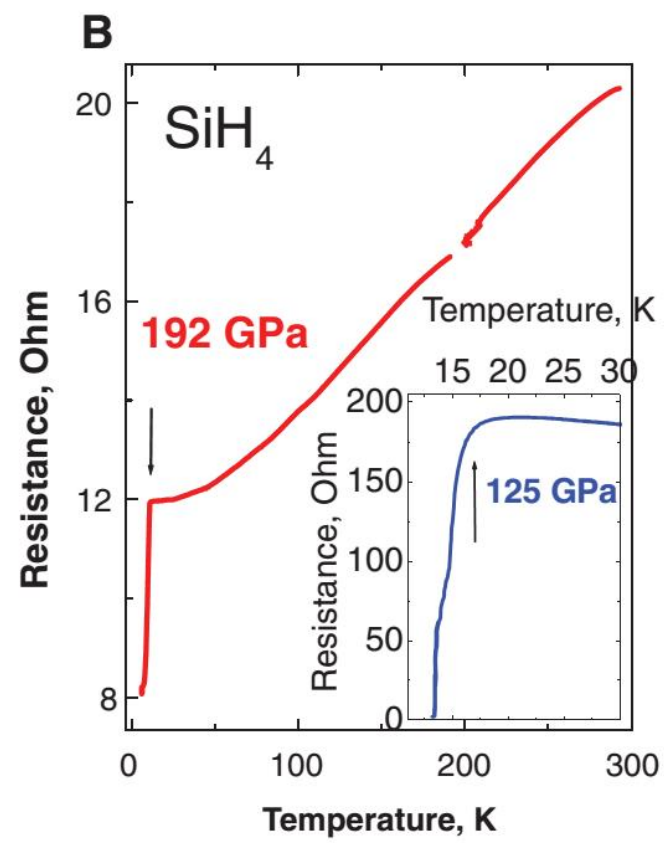
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Superconductivity in Hydrogen Dominant Materials: Silane

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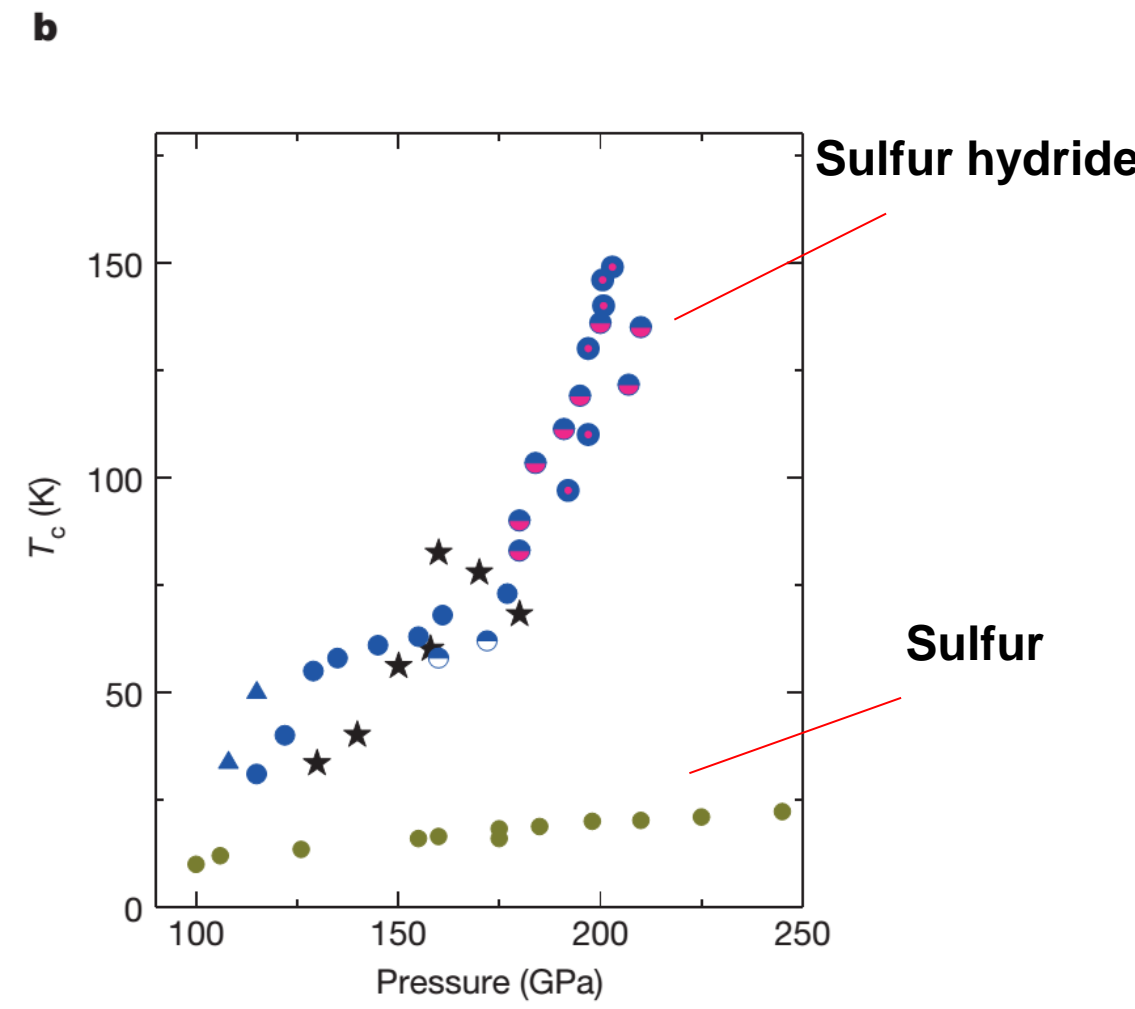
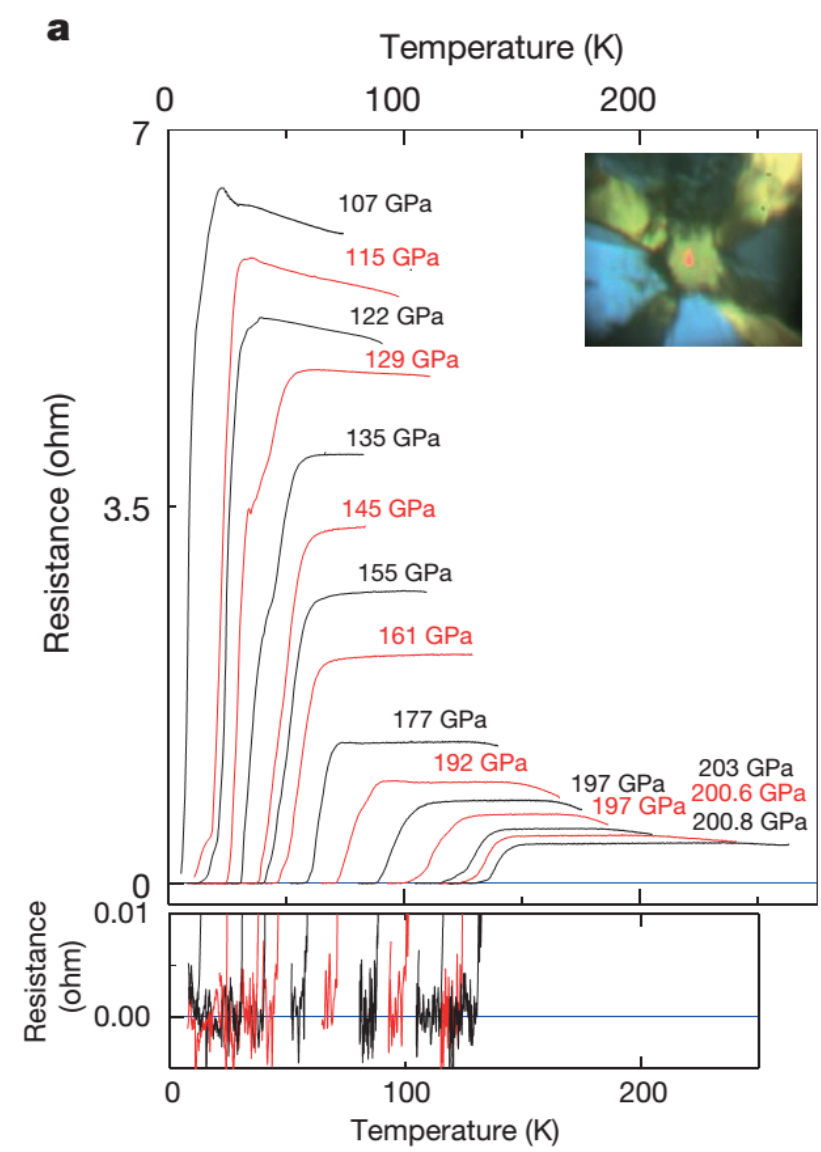
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Conventional superconductivity at 203 kelvin at high pressures in the sulfur hydride system

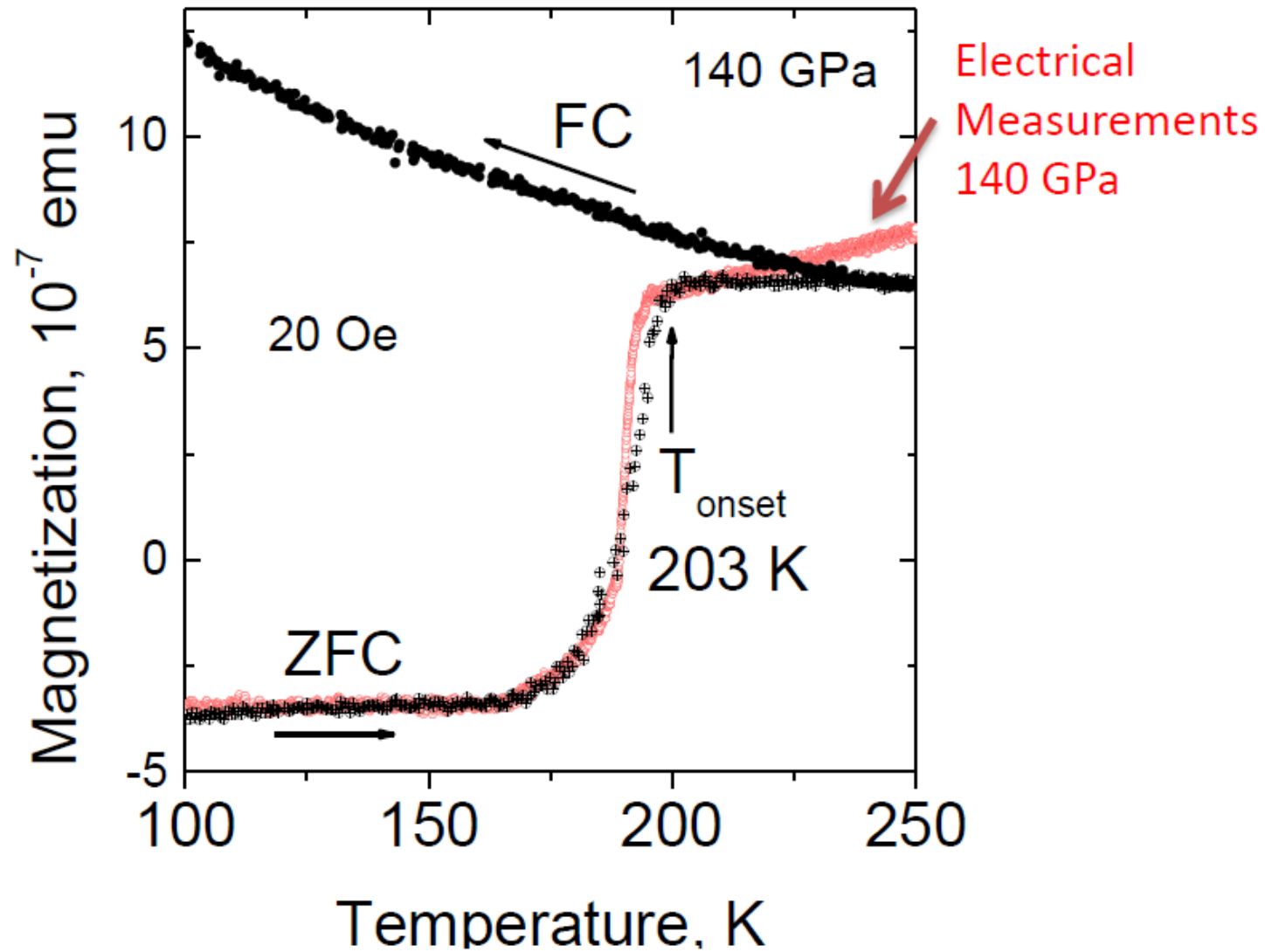
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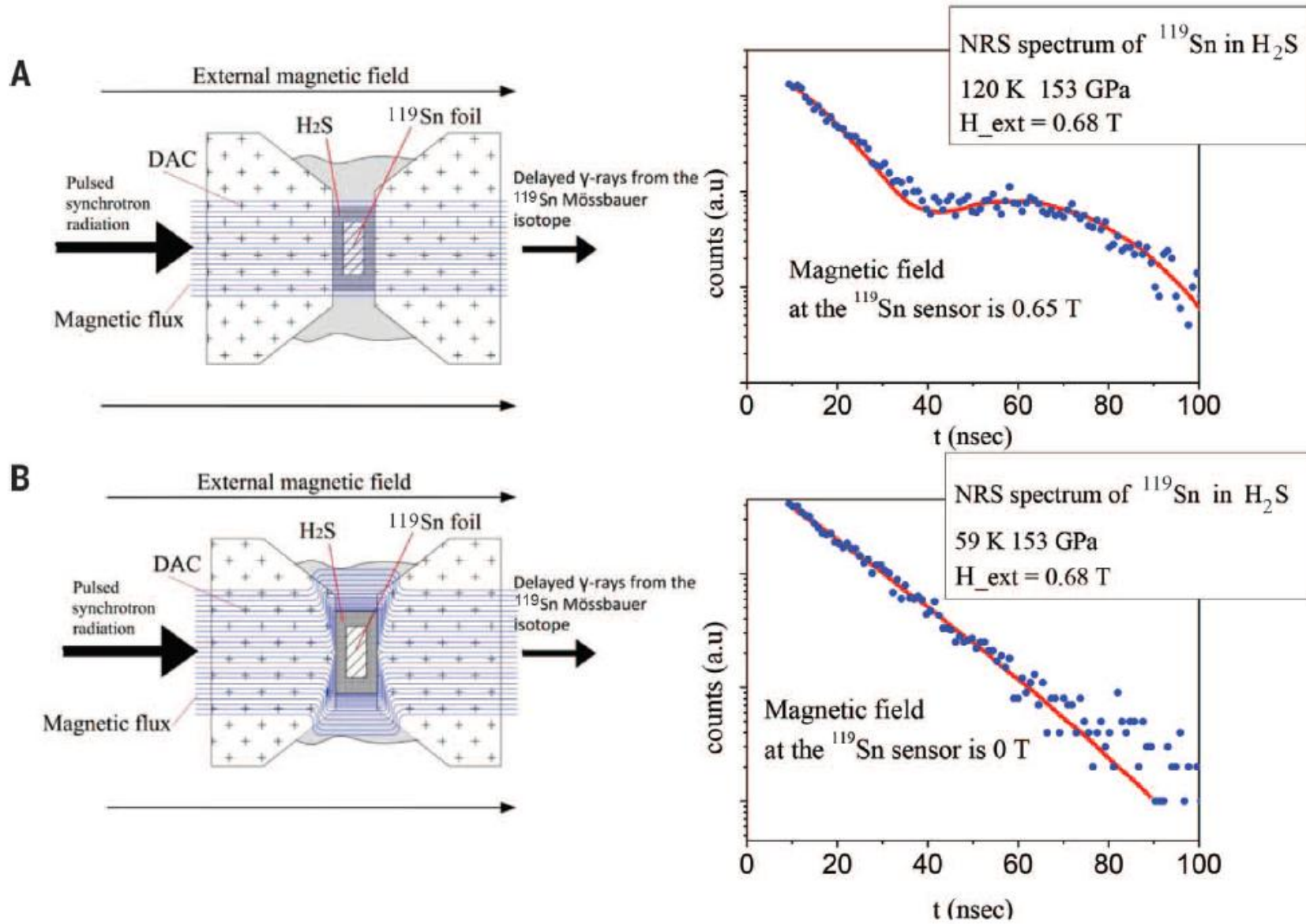
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Observation of superconductivity in hydrogen sulfide from nuclear resonant scattering

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Crystal structure of the superconducting phase of sulfur hydride

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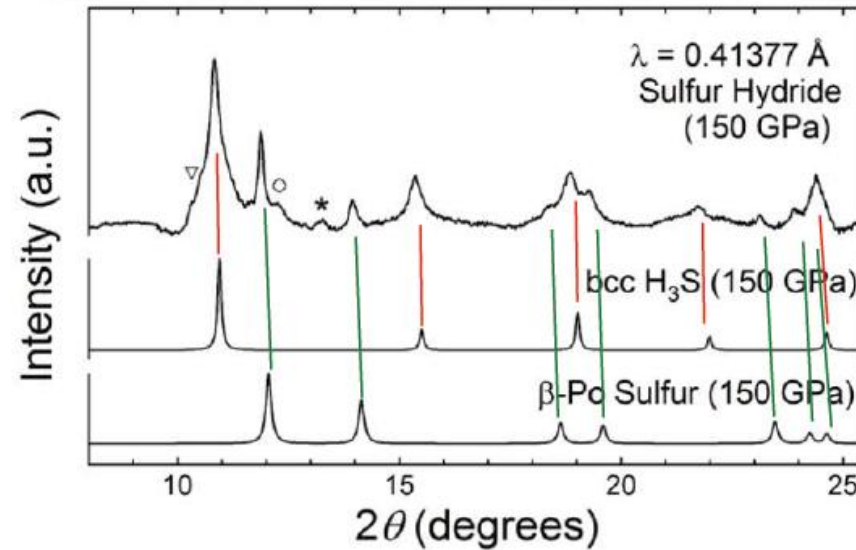
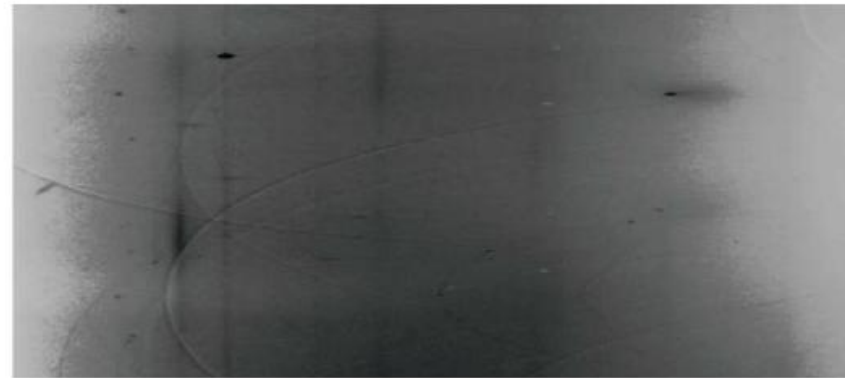
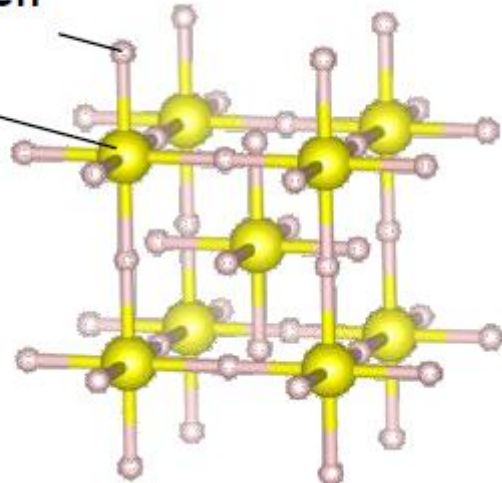
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H_3S (bcc)

$Im-3m$

Hydrogen

Sulfur



H_3S (bcc) + S (β -Po)

„Turning” Nitrogen into diamond

Polymeric nitrogen

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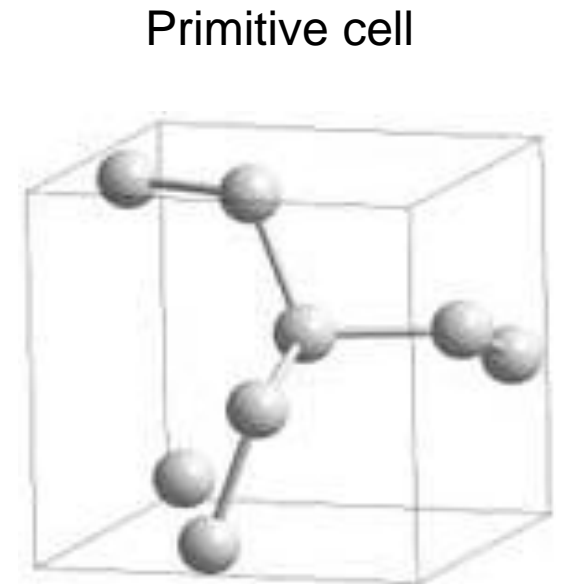
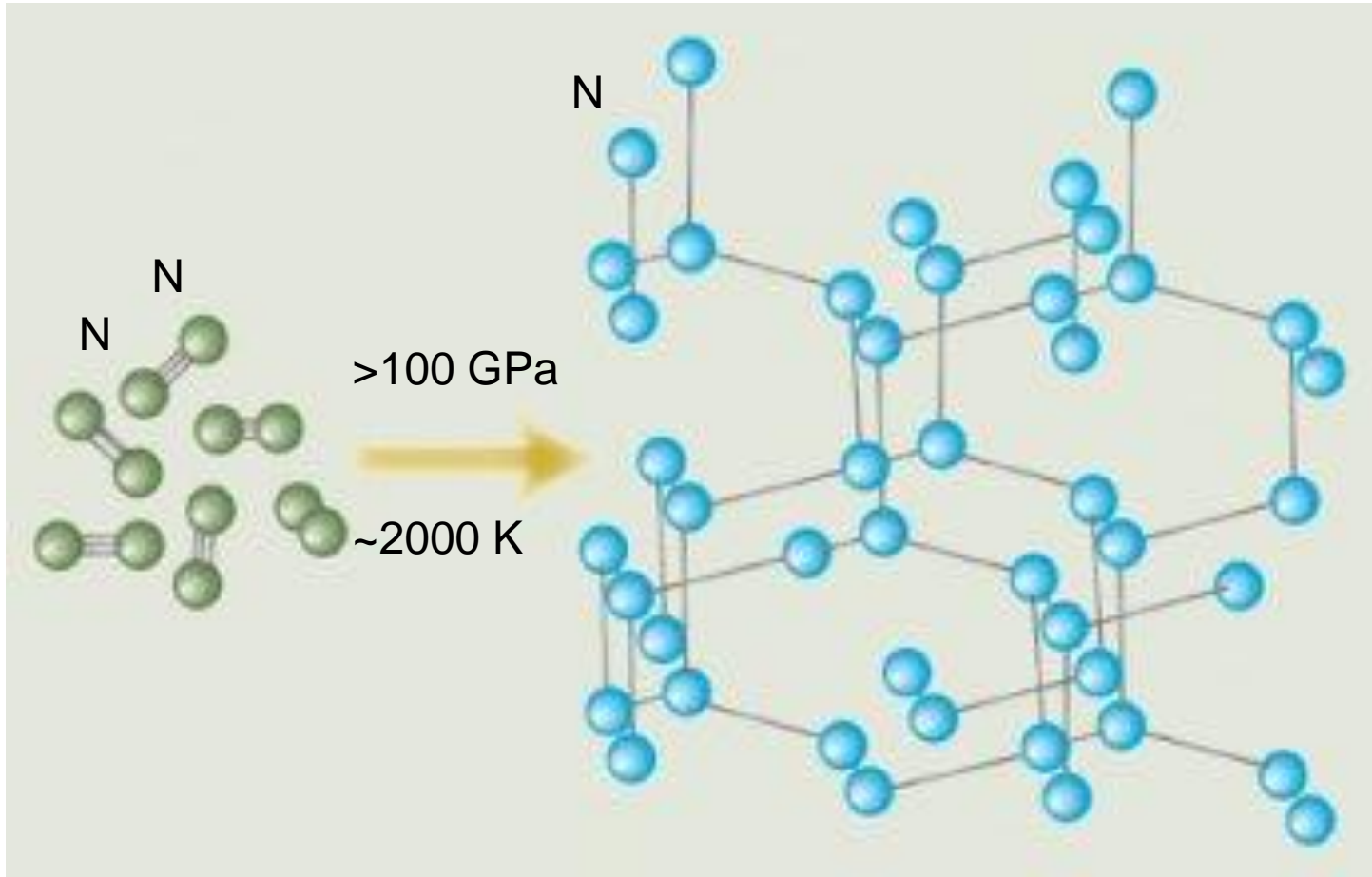
The equilibrium phase boundary between single-bonded, threefold-coordinated polymeric forms of nitrogen, and the observed, triple-bonded diatomic phases, is predicted to occur at relatively low (50 ± 15 GPa) pressure. This conclusion is based on extensive local-density-functional total-energy calculations for polymeric structures (including that of black phosphorus, and another with all *gauche* dihedral angles) and diatomic structures (including that of the observed high-pressure ϵ -N₂ phase). We believe the diatomic phase of nitrogen, observed up to 180 GPa and room temperature, to be metastable at these conditions, and that such hysteresis enhances the prospects for the existence of a metastable polymeric form of nitrogen at ambient conditions. In this regard, we show that the black-phosphorus and cubic *gauche* polymeric forms of nitrogen would encounter significant barriers along high-symmetry paths to dimerization at atmospheric pressure.

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Single-bonded cubic form of nitrogen

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Polymeric cg-N structure: each nitrogen atom is connected to three neighbours by three single covalent bonds.



Cubic gauche (cg- N)

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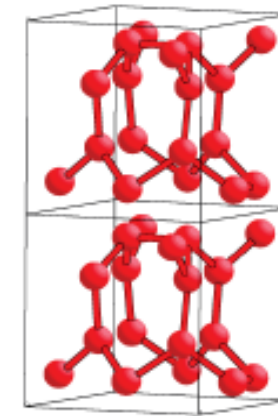
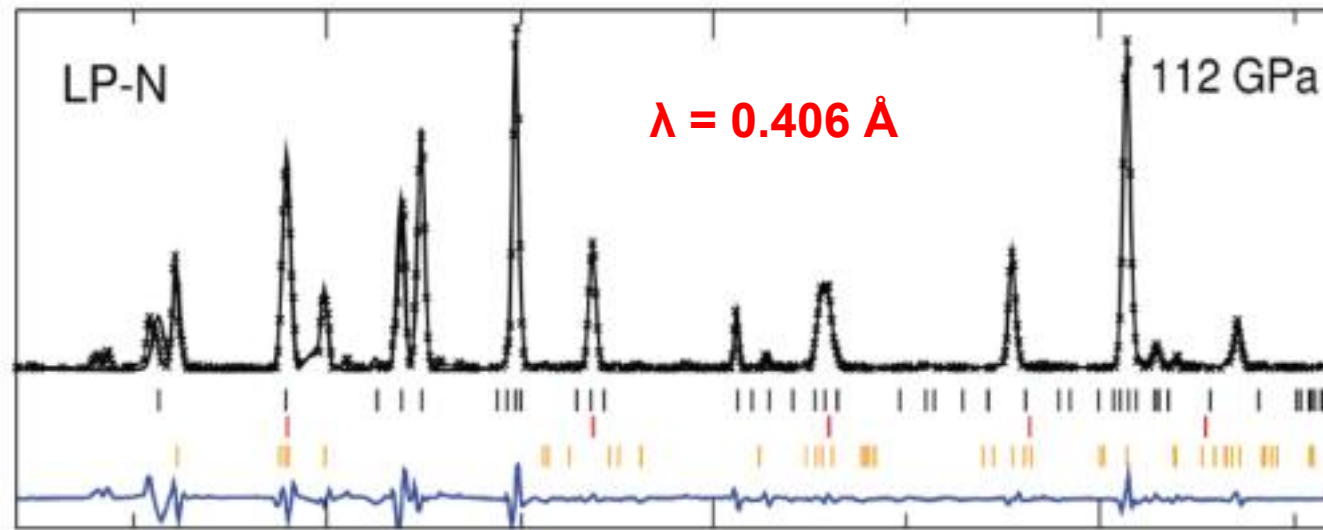
a **triple** bond
~ 225 kcal/mol



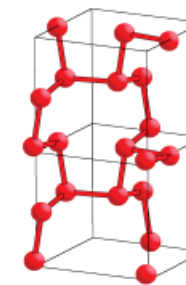
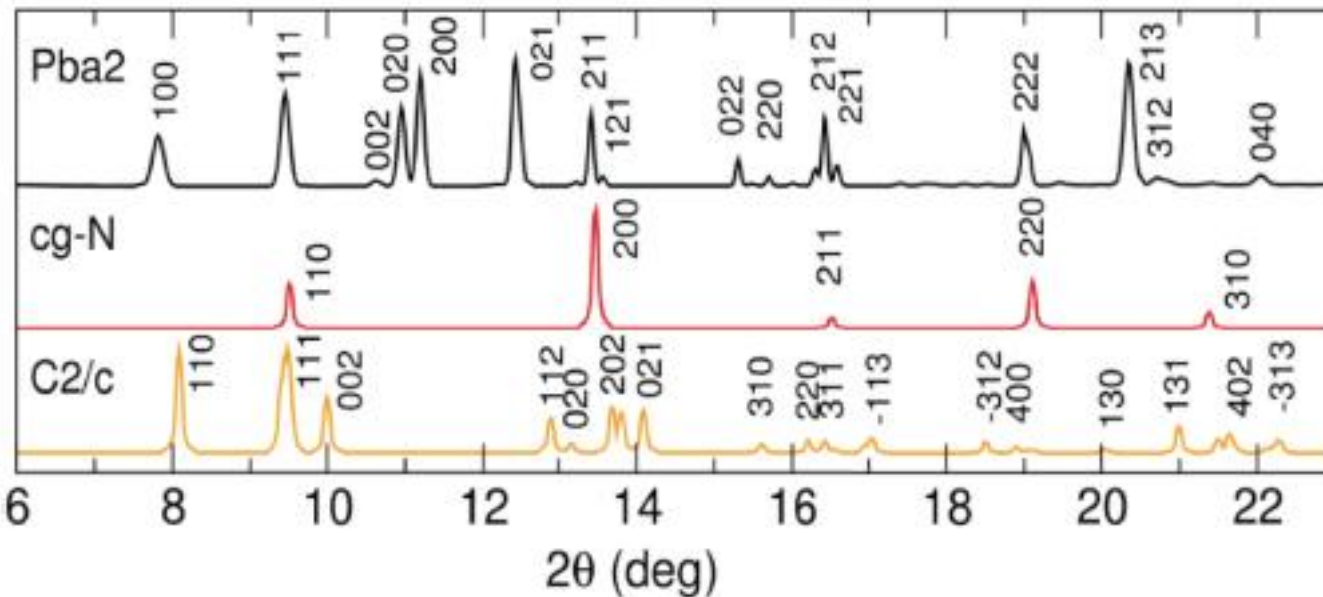
a **single** bond
~ 40 kcal/mol

Synthesis conditions

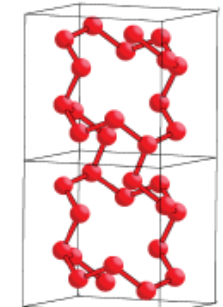
Pressure: 126 – 175 GPa; Temperature ~ 3000 K



Pba2-N₇



*I*₂*1**3*-N₁₀
(cg- N)



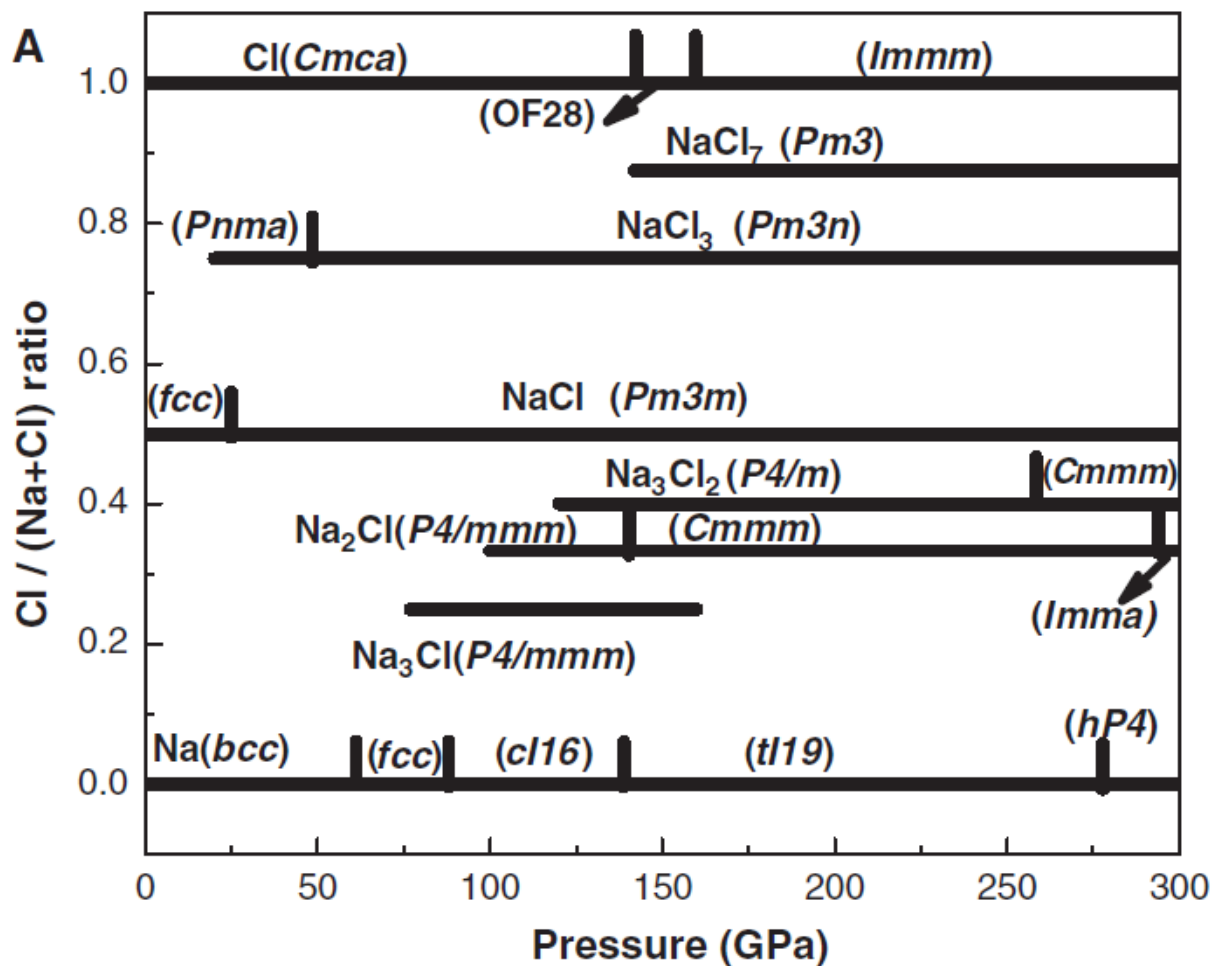
C2/c-N₁₂

New „taste” of chemistry

Unexpected Stable Stoichiometries of Sodium Chlorides

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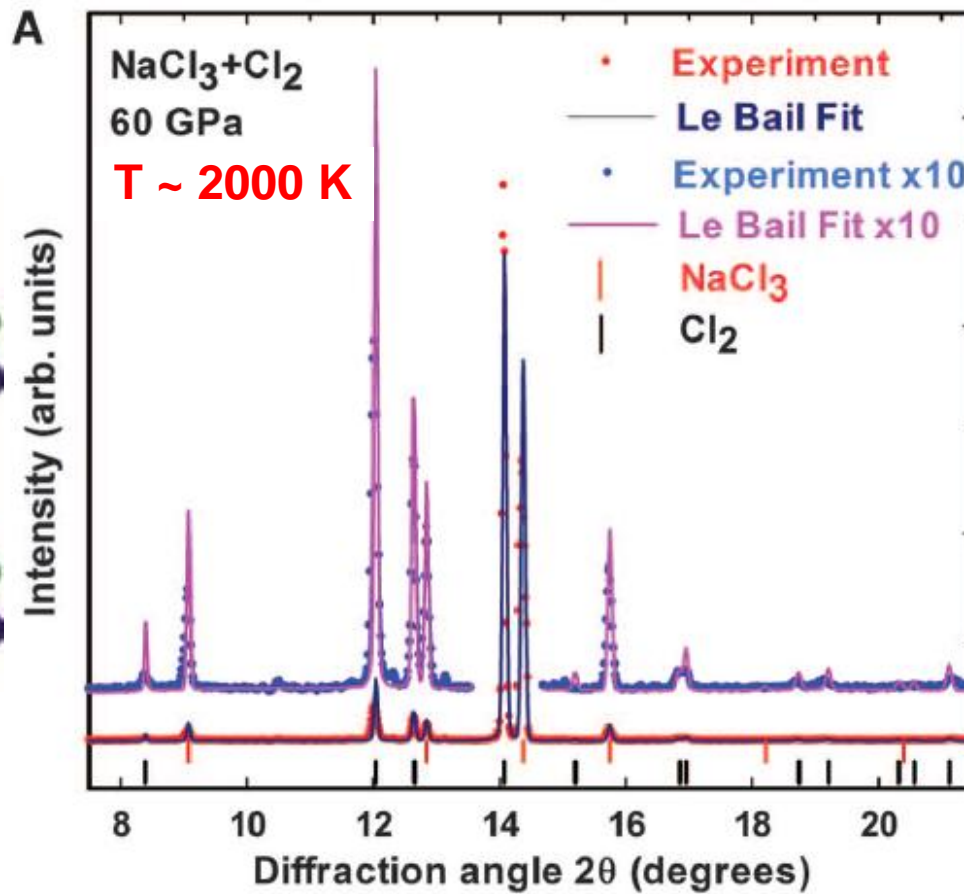
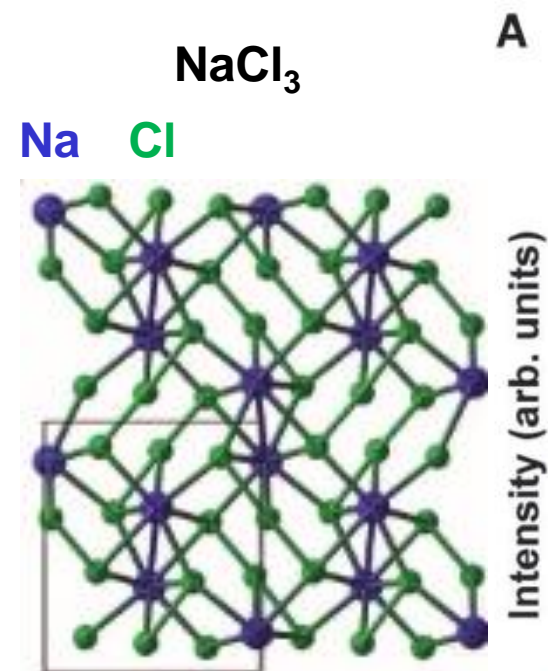
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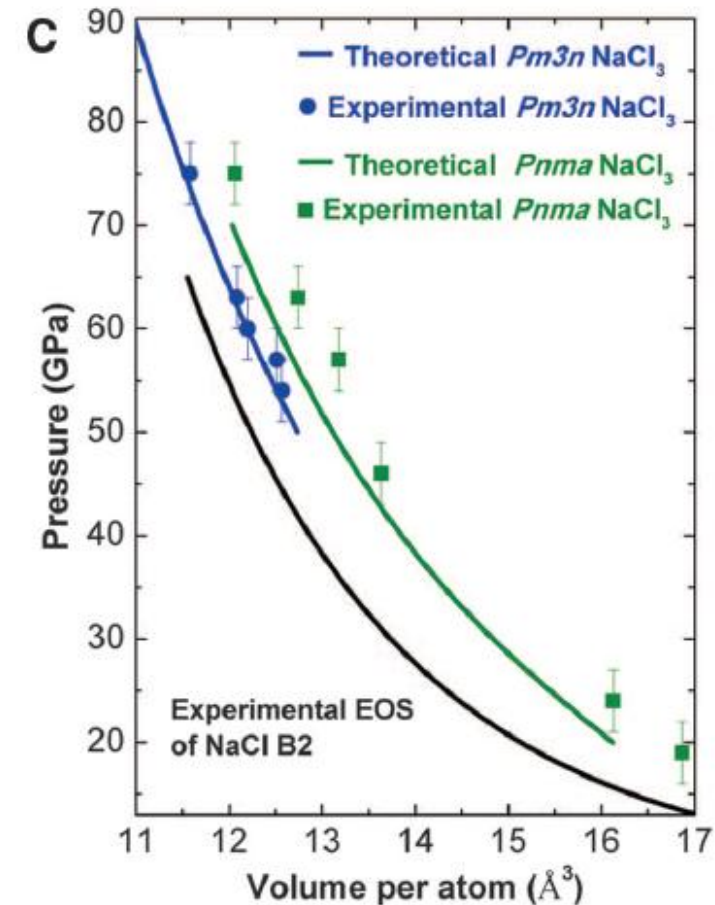
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EXPERIMENT



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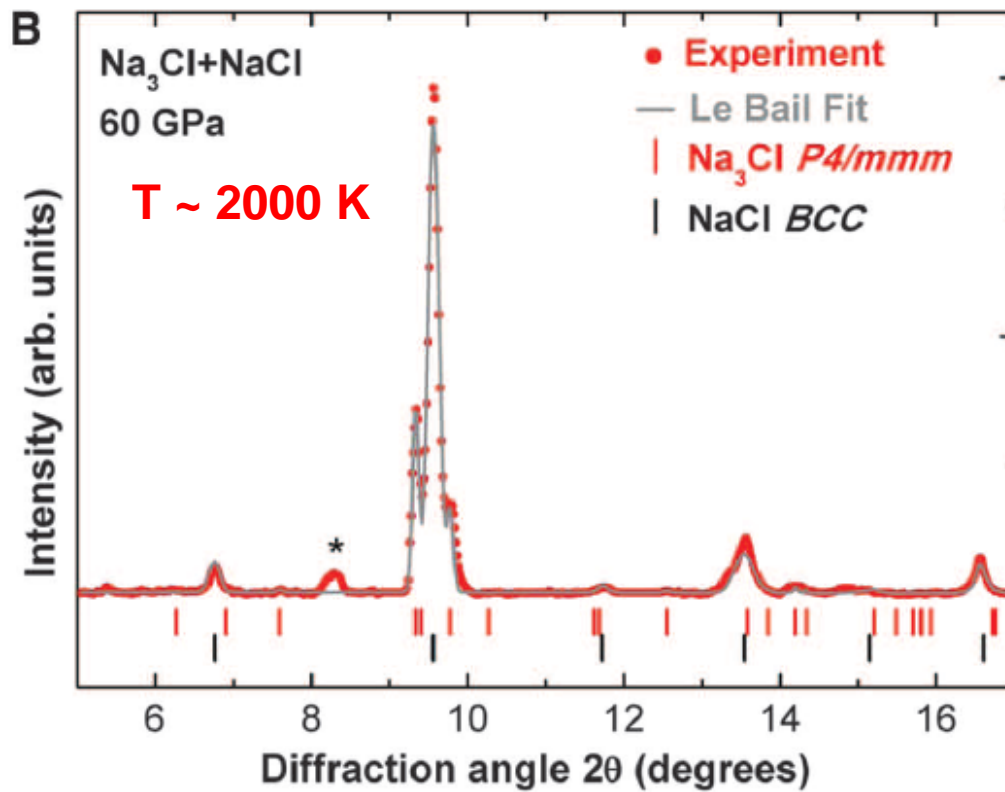
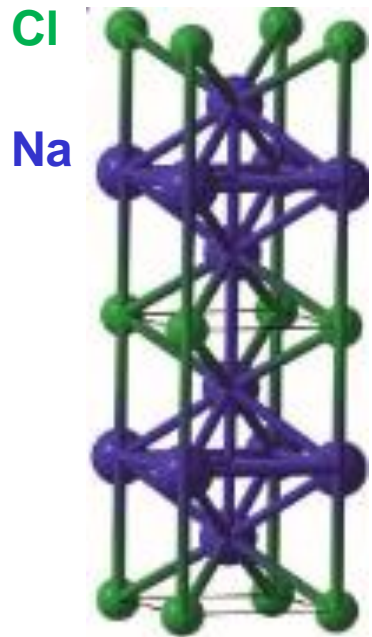


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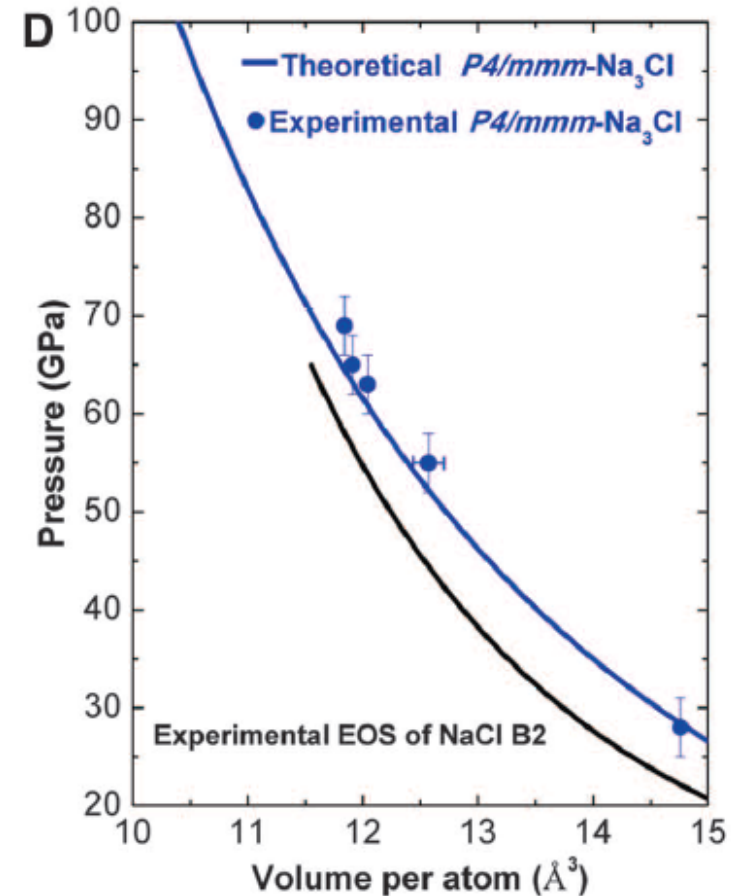
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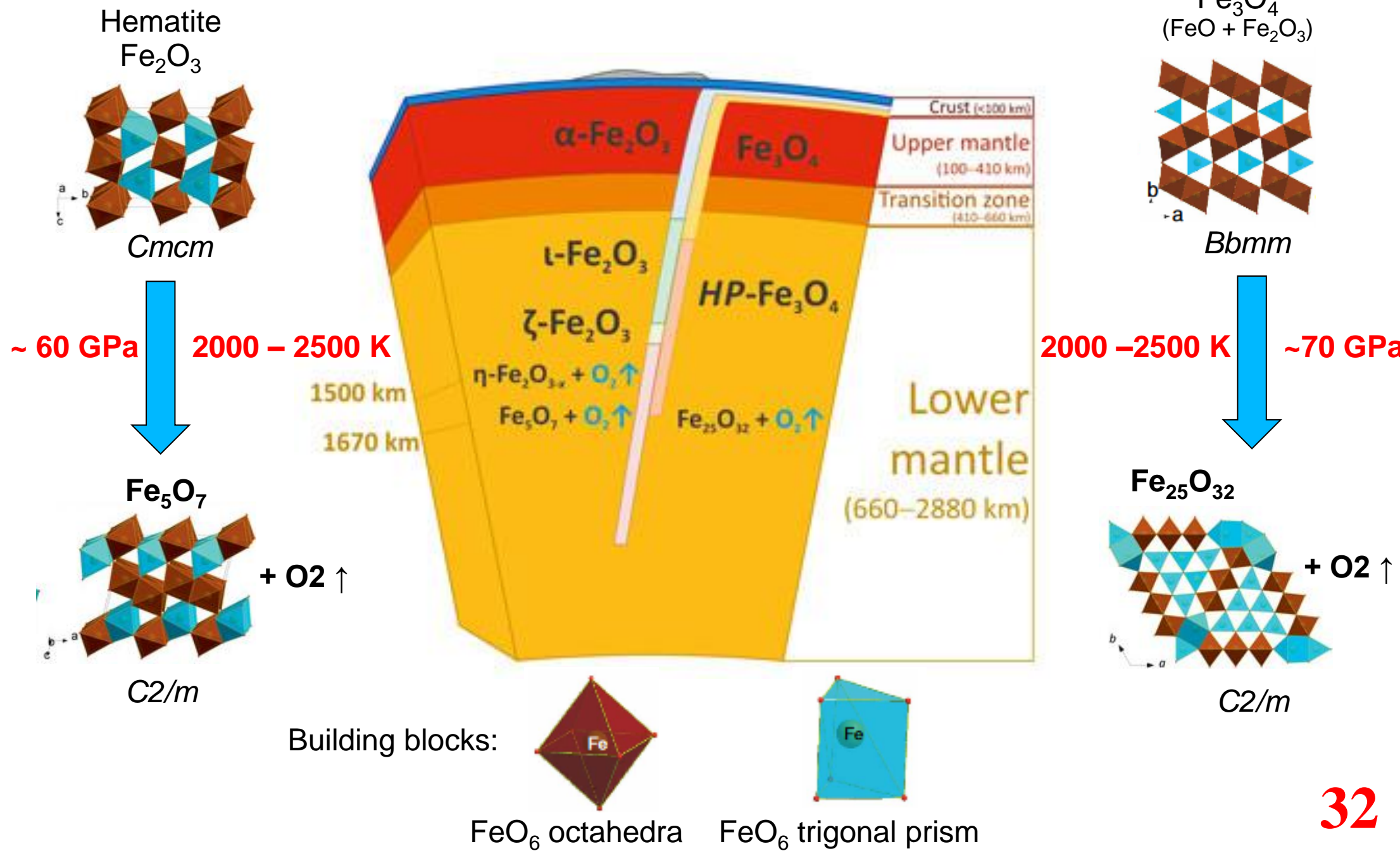


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„Ground”-breaking news

Structural complexity of simple Fe₂O₃ at high pressures and temperatures

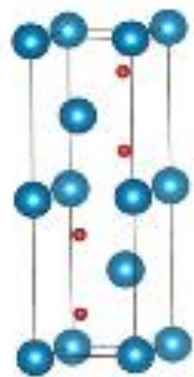
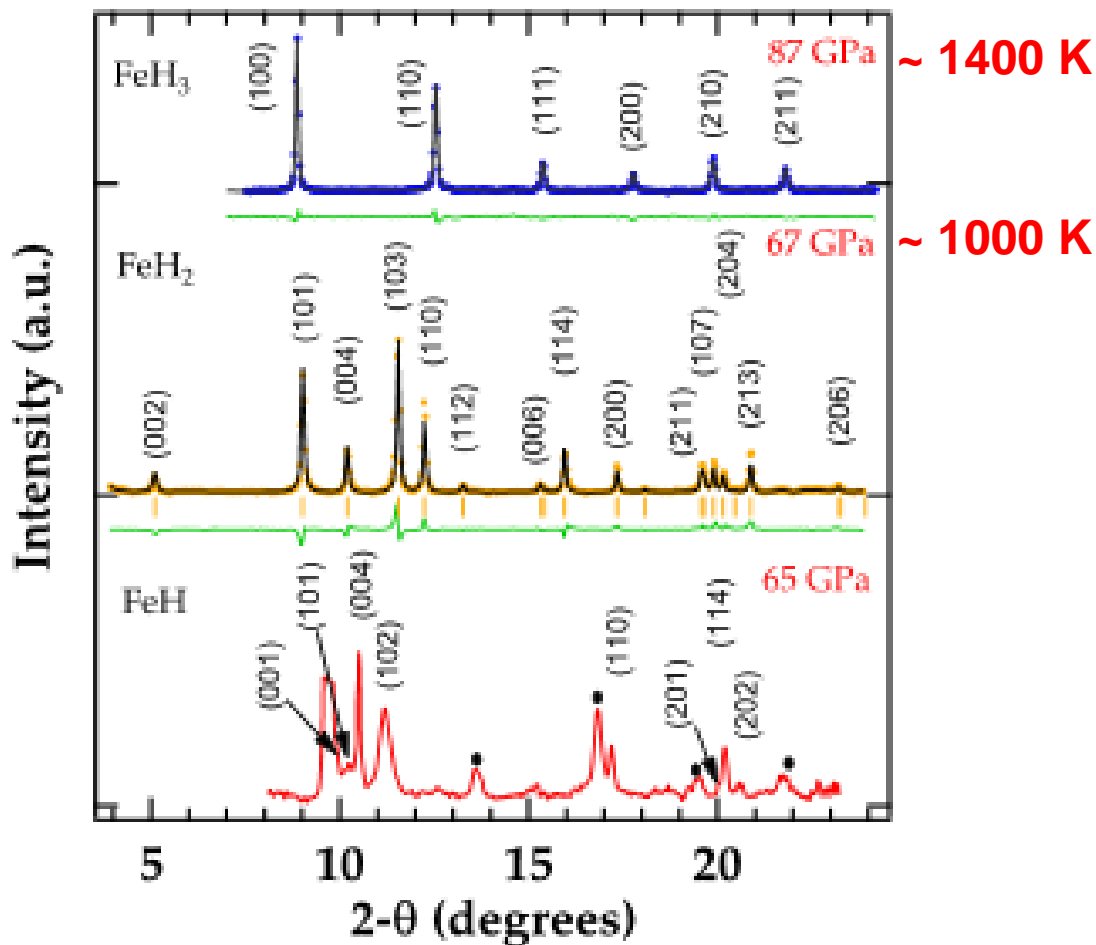
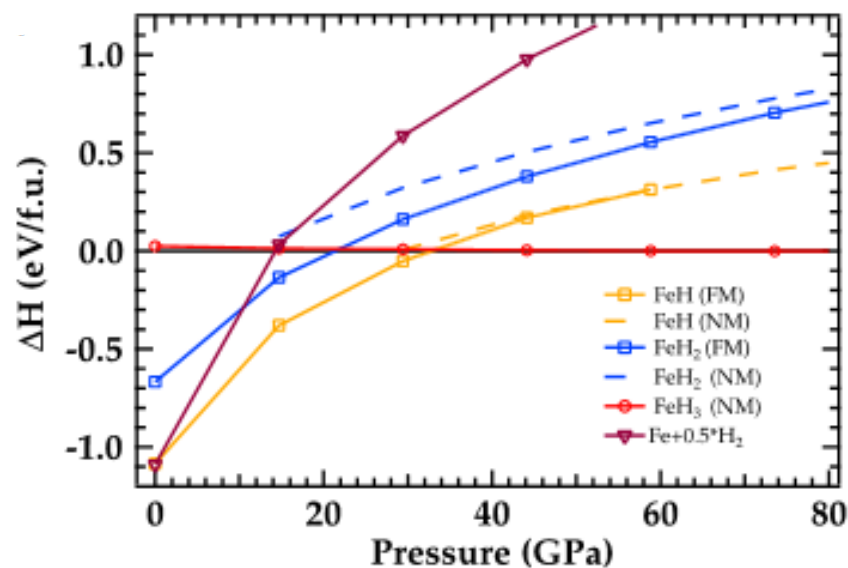


New Iron Hydrides under High Pressure

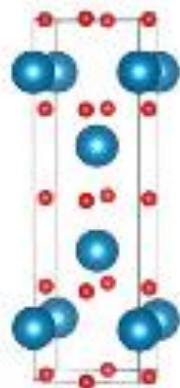
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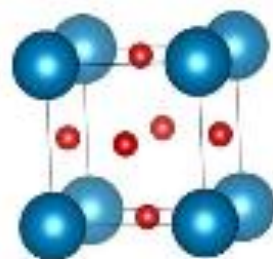
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dhcp-FeH ($P6_3/mmc$)



FeH₂ ($I4/mmm$)



FeH₃ ($Pm-3m$)

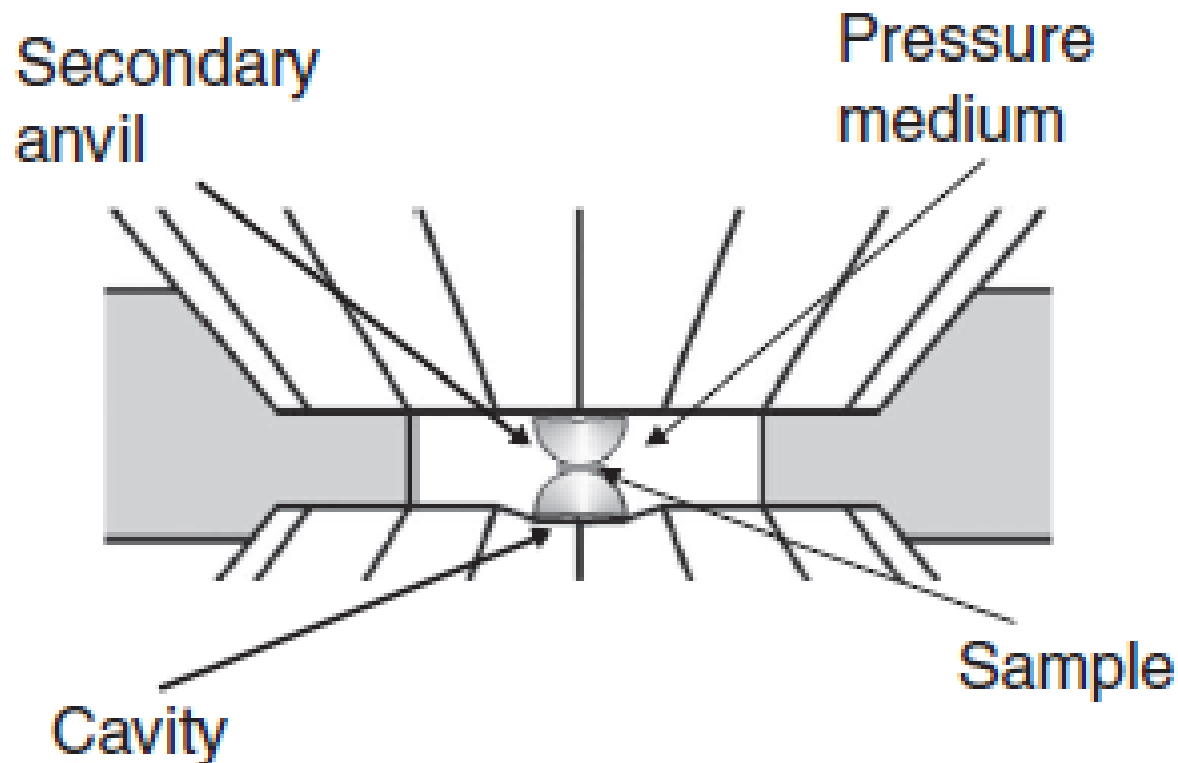
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Quest for record pressure

Implementation of micro-ball nanodiamond anvils for high-pressure studies above 6 Mbar

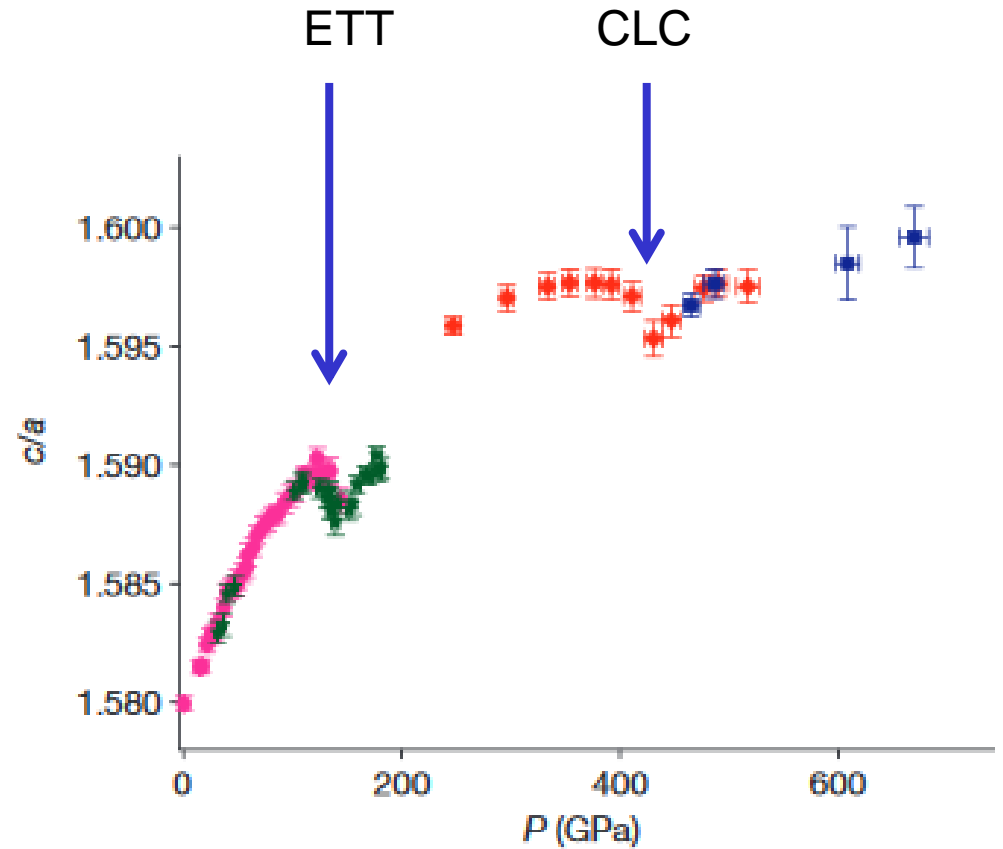
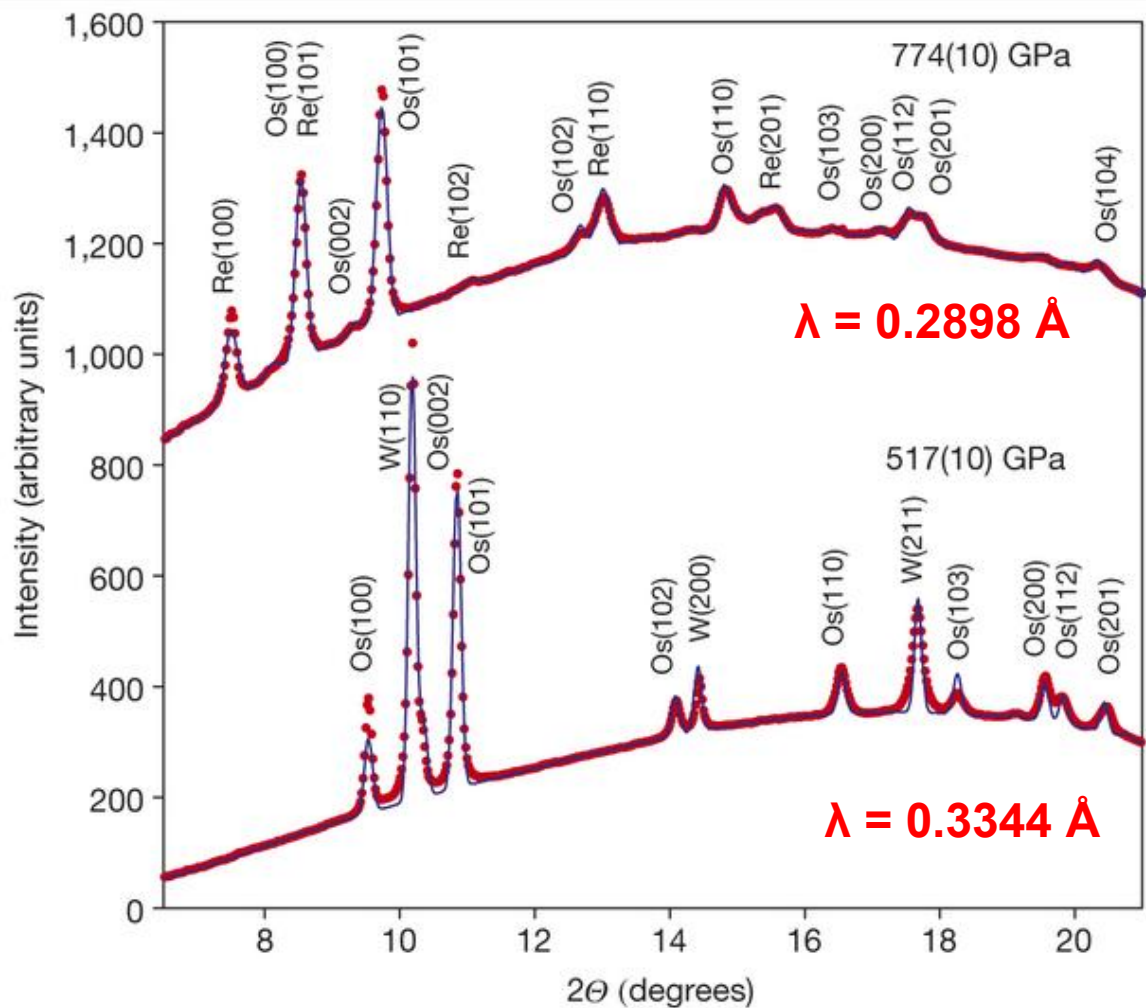
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Osmium

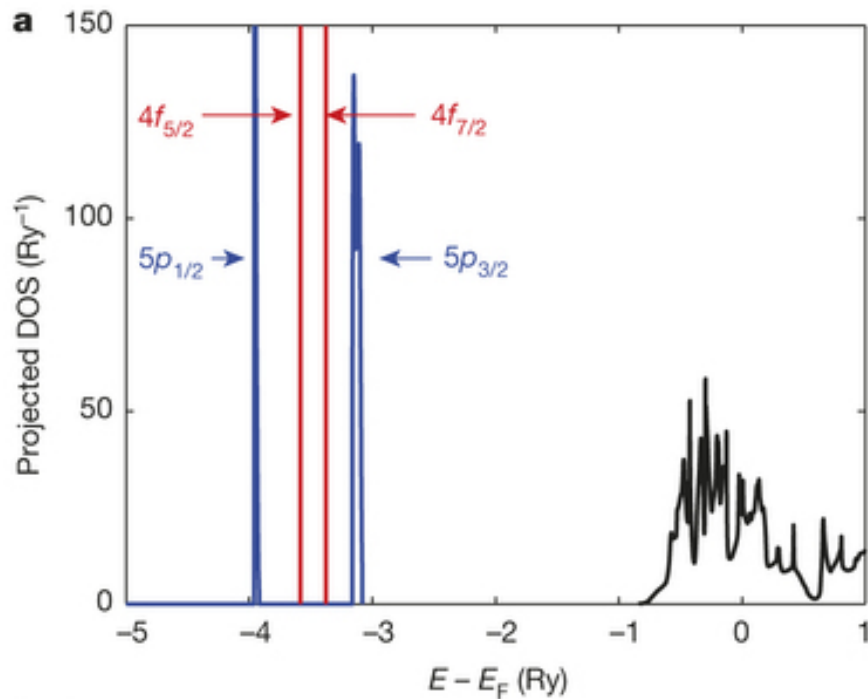


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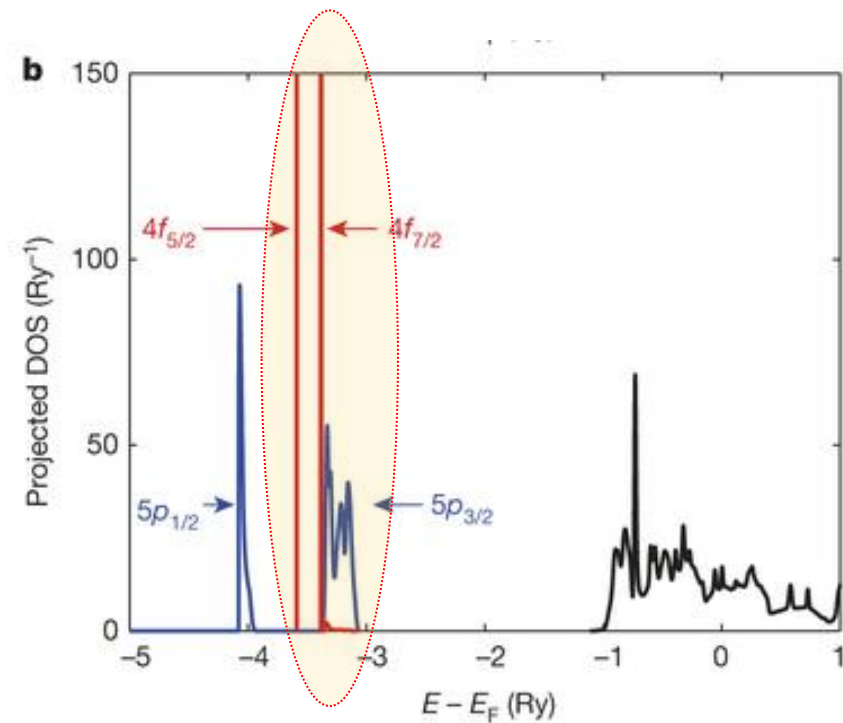
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Osmium Core-Level Crossing (CLC)

0 GPa



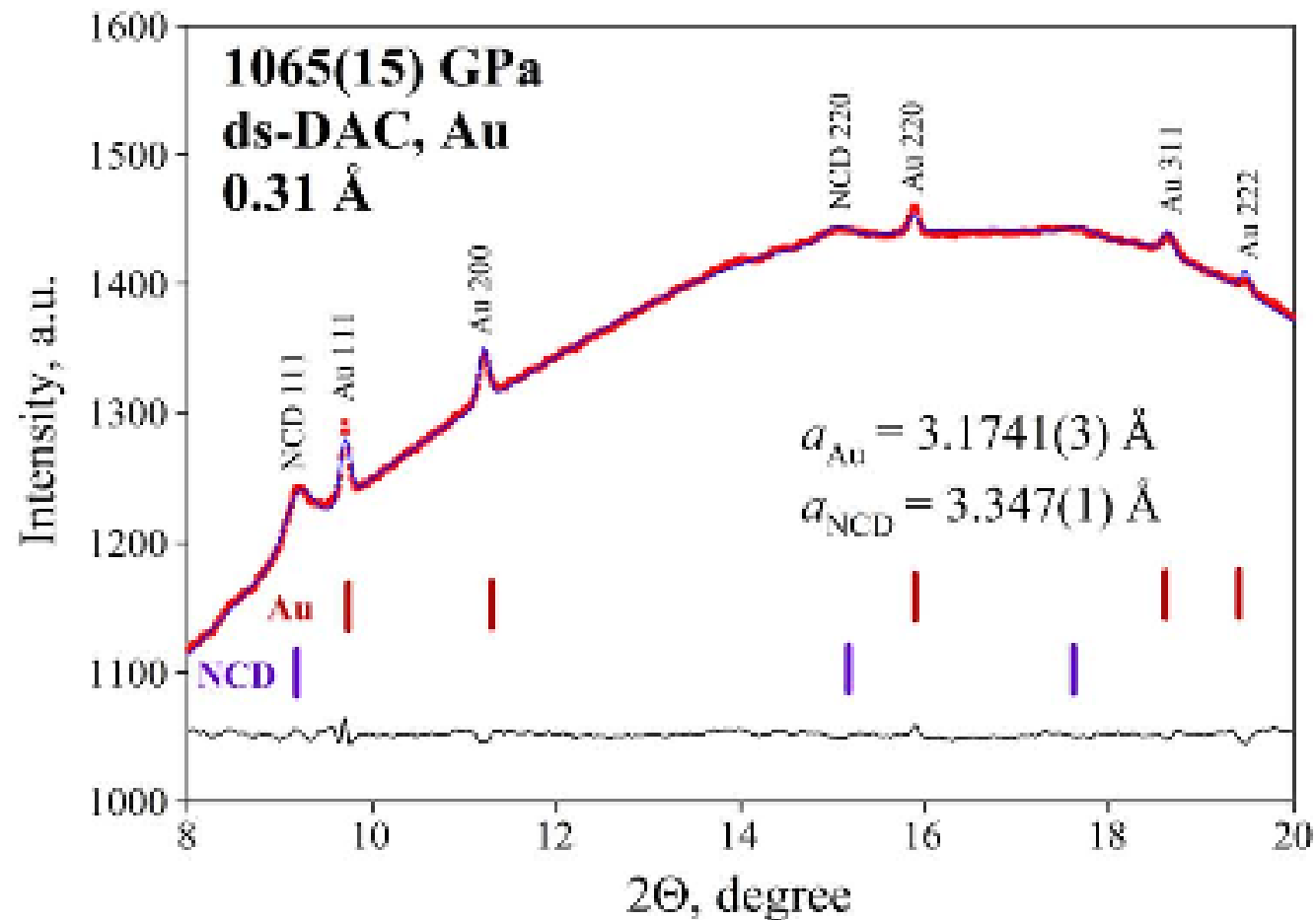
396 GPa



Terapascal static pressure generation with ultrahigh yield strength nanodiamond

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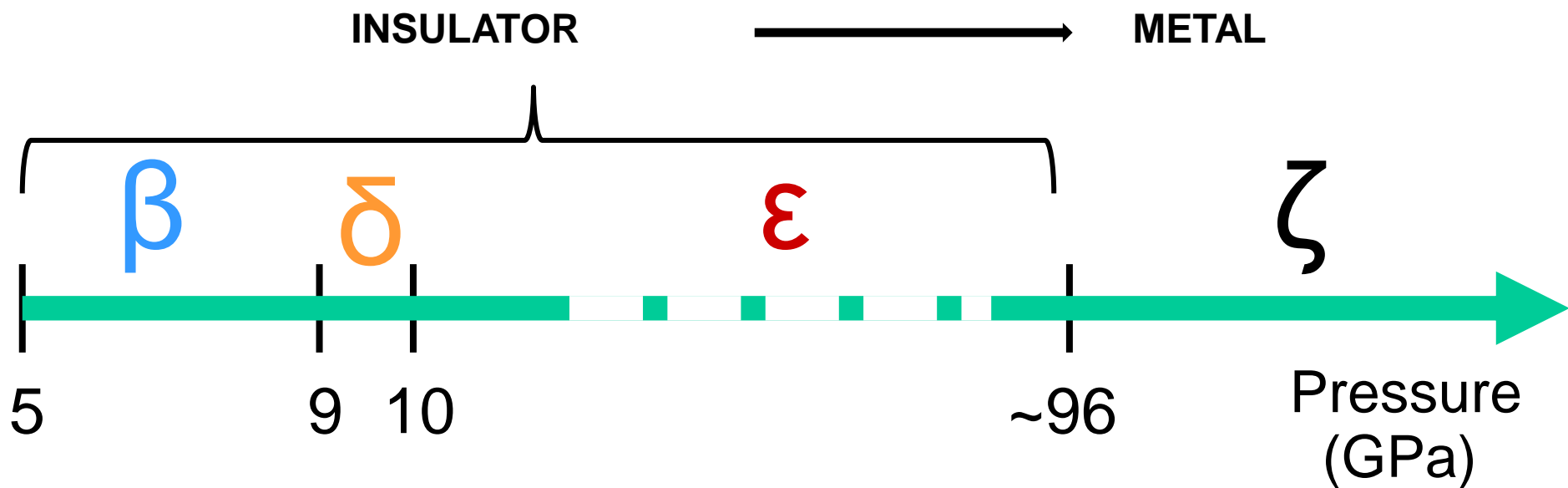
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✓ Oxygen

Becomes **Solid** under pressure $> 50\,000$ atm (5 GPa)

Becomes **Metal** under pressure $> 960\,000$ atm (96 GPa)



Under pressure a number of spectacular phase transformations (color change) can be observed in oxygen.