

2D mapping of ice species in molecular cores*

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Abstract. We present data from our ice mapping program IMAPE on the AKARI satellite. Initial results show a correlation between the abundance of $\text{CO}_{2(s)}$ and $\text{H}_2\text{O}_{(s)}$, consistent with previous studies. We can trace abundances of molecules across a core using a single observation.

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1. Introduction

In dense cores, much of the molecular material is frozen on the surface of dust grains. AKARI allows the simultaneous observation of multiple lines of site (*los*) through a core. We observed a $1' \times 1'$ region towards 20 cores, between 2.5–5.0 μm . Data was reduced using our own pipeline (Noble *et al.* in prep.), producing spectra for 31 *los*.

2. Results and Conclusions

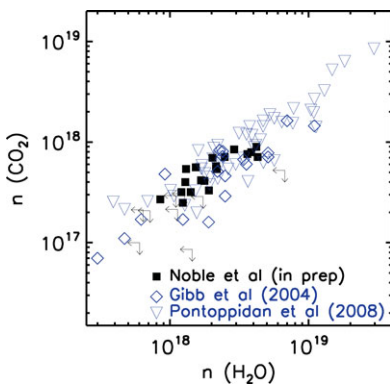


Figure 1. Correlation plot of $n(\text{CO}_2)$ vs $n(\text{H}_2\text{O})$ for 31 *los* in the AKARI IMAPE program.

The abundance of H_2O and CO_2 was calculated for each *los* using laboratory data, and is presented in Figure 1. Abundances agree with previous studies (as shown in Figure 1) and a clear correlation is seen between $n(\text{H}_2\text{O})$ and $n(\text{CO}_2)$ in the cores observed.

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