

# Muon Spectroscopy of Molecules

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# Introduction

- **Muon states in matter**

Implanted positive muons may exist in any of the following forms.

- a) Muon  $\mu^+$
- b) Muonium  $\mu^+e^-$
- c) Part of a radical

# $\mu$ SR

- Properties of Muons?

**Mass = 0.11 proton**

**Charge = +e**

**Spin = 1/2**

**Magnetic moment = 3.18 x proton**

# $\mu$ SR

- Properties of Muonium  $[\mu^+e^-]$

<u>Isotope</u>	<u>Mass/m<sub>e</sub></u>	<u>Reduced mass/m<sub>e</sub></u>	<u>Bohr radius/nm</u>	<u>Ionisation energy/eV</u>
Tritium ( <sup>3</sup> H)	<b>5498</b>	<b>0.9998</b>	<b>0.05290</b>	<b>13.603</b>
Deuterium ( <sup>2</sup> H)	<b>3675</b>	<b>0.9997</b>	<b>0.05293</b>	<b>13.602</b>
Protium ( <sup>1</sup> H)	<b>1847</b>	<b>0.9995</b>	<b>0.05292</b>	<b>13.599</b>
<u>Muonium (Mu)</u>	<u>208</u>	<u>0.9952</u>	<u>0.05315</u>	<u>13.541</u>

# $\mu$ SR

- **Molecules with Muonium**  $[\mu^+e^-]$

**Some of the names to look out for**

- *Paul Percival*
- *Emil Roduner*
- *David Walker*
- *Donald G. Fleming*
- *Christopher Rhodes*
- *Brian Webster*
- *Rod Macrae*

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## Chemiluminescence from the exiplex molecule NeMu<sup>\*</sup>

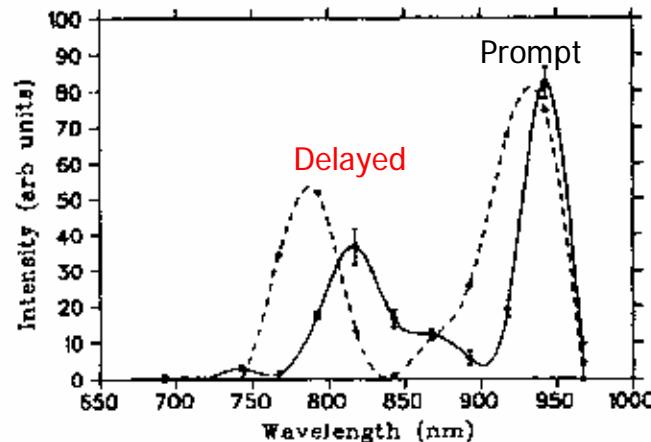
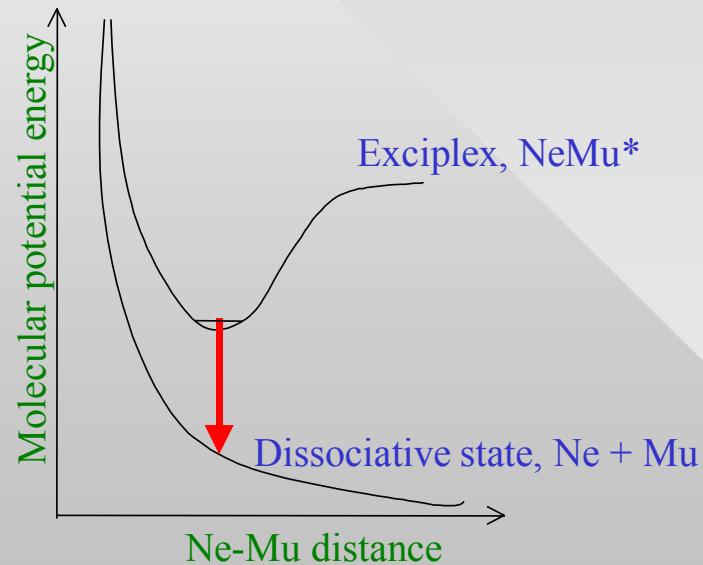
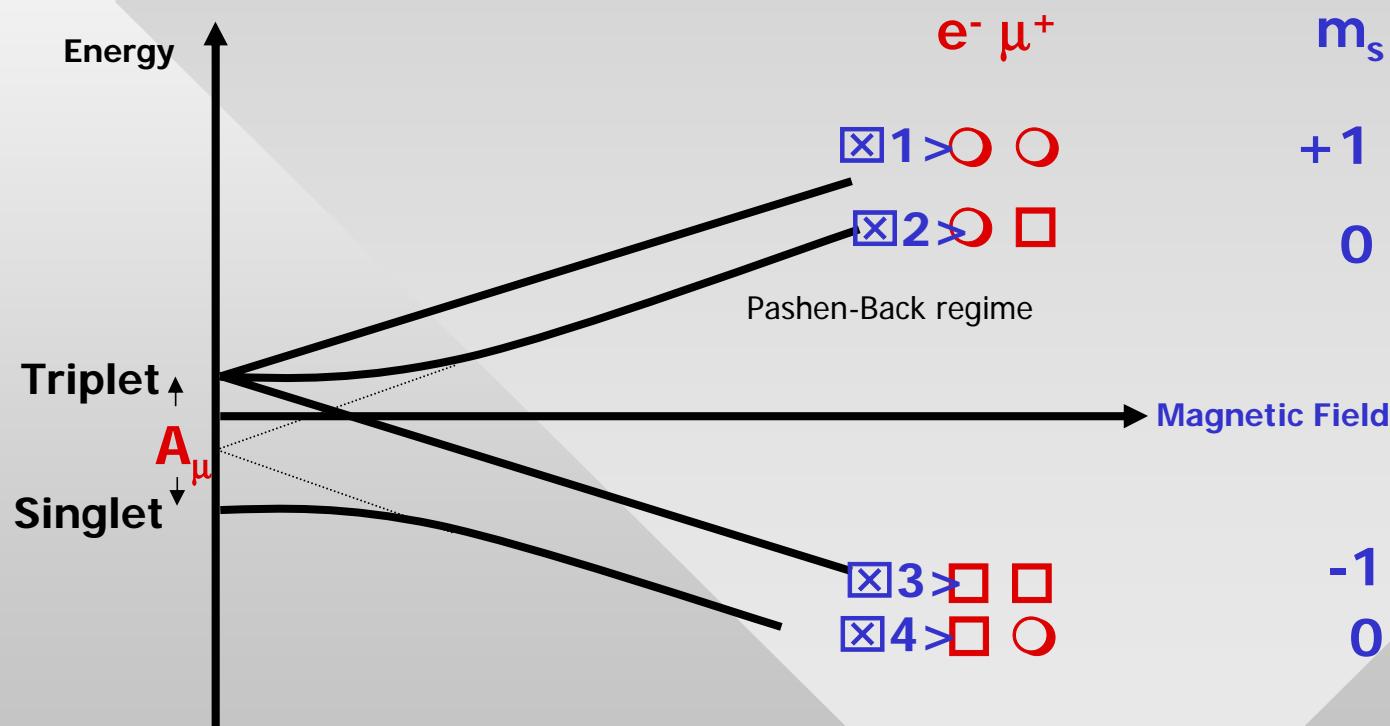


FIG. 15. A comparison of the CVF shoulder peak spectrum observed in 6 atm Ne and 1 Torr Ar (see Fig. 9) with simulated spectrum (dashed line), produced by *ab initio* calculations, as described in text. The calculated intensities are normalized to the experimental value (both in arbitrary units) in the region of the 943 nm peak.

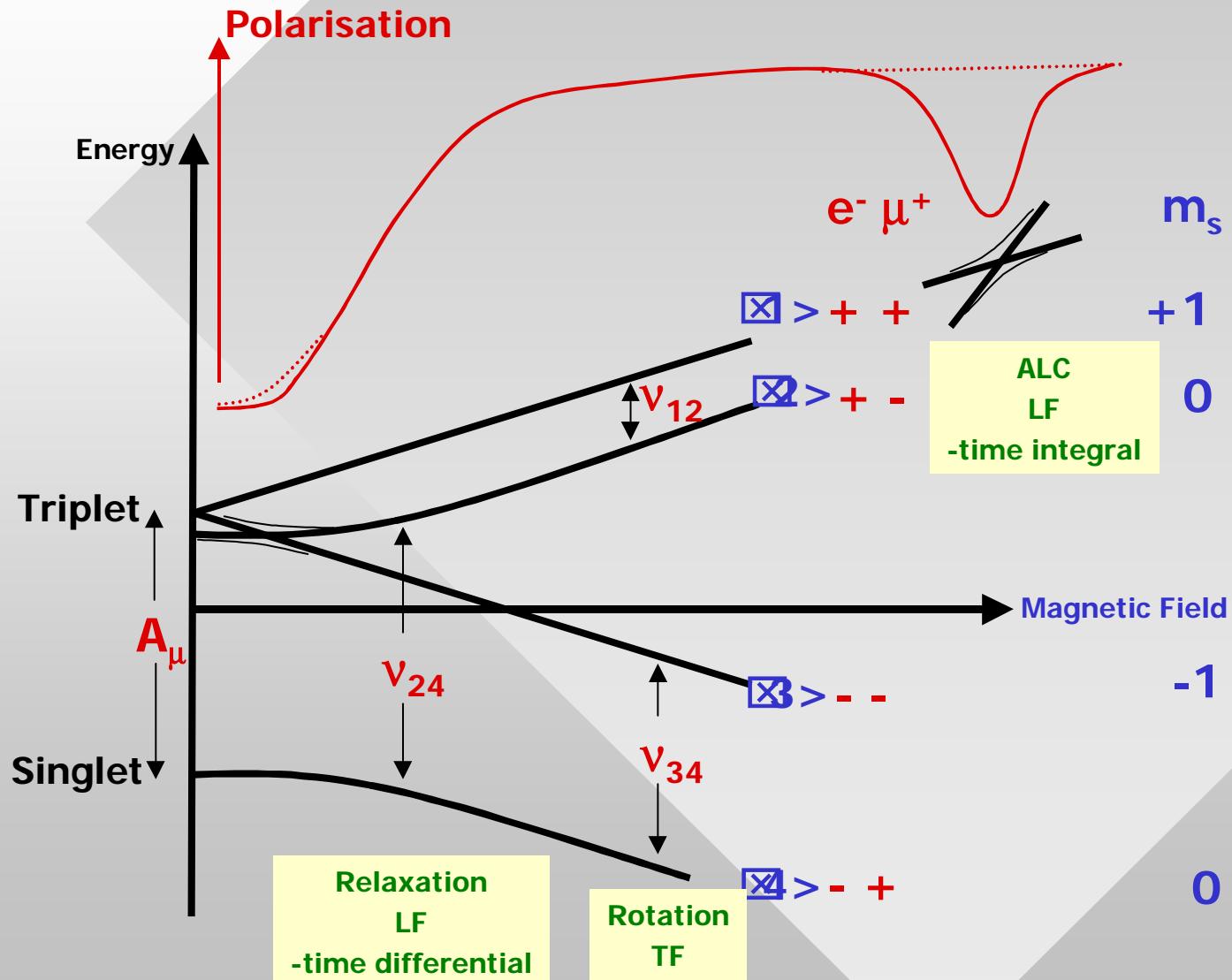
S. Baer et. al. J. Chem. Phys. 101 (1994) 1202

## Muon - Electron system; Breit - Rabi diagram

$$H = \hbar A_\mu \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{I} + \hbar \omega_e S_z + \hbar \omega_\mu I_z$$

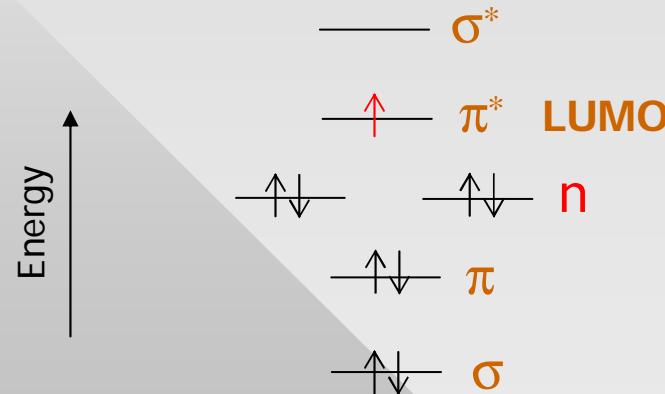


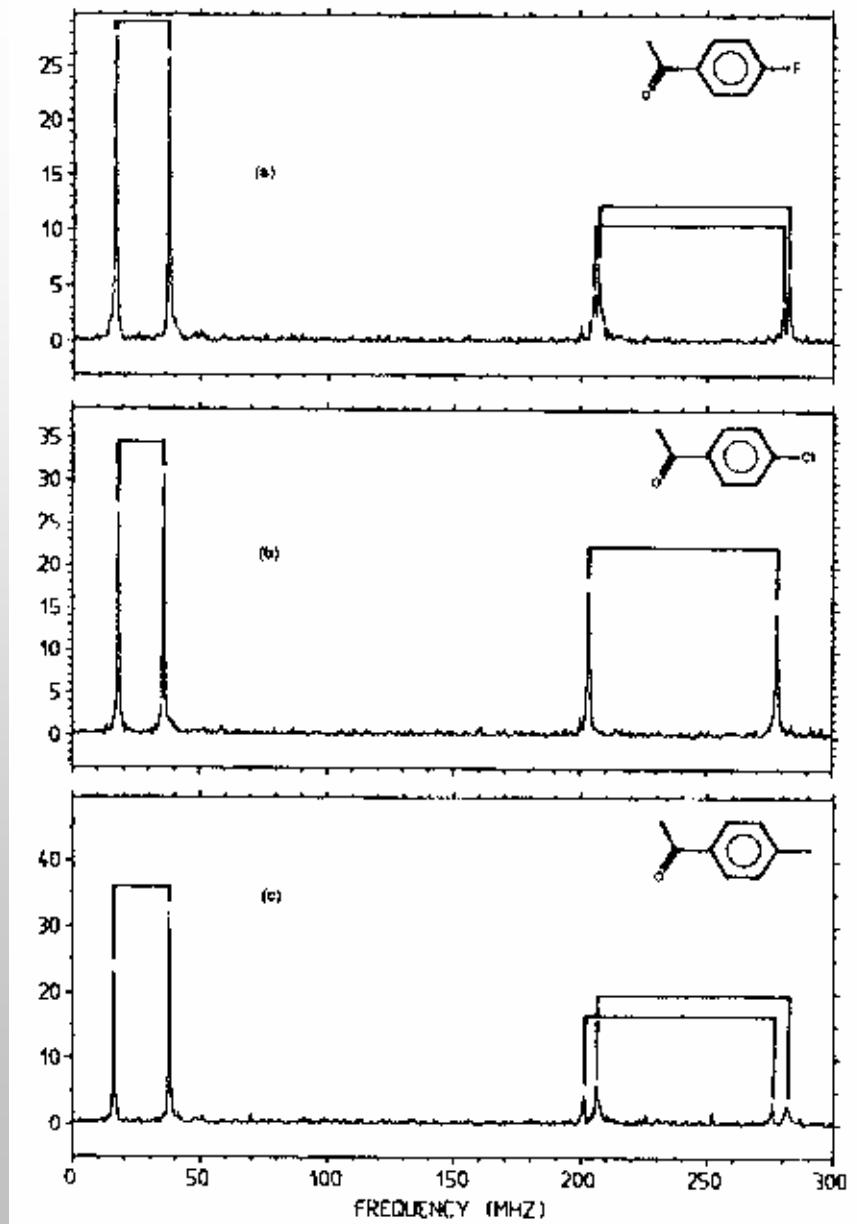
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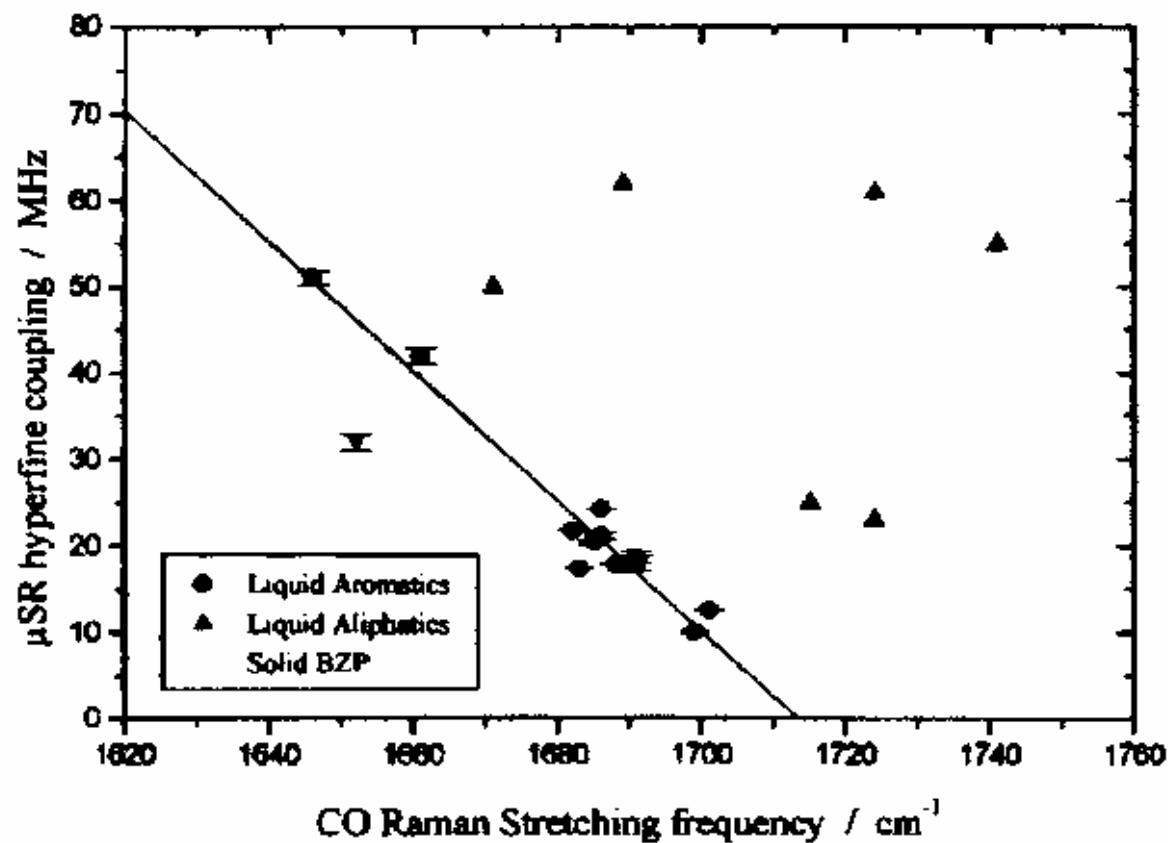
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- Molecules with Muonium  $[\mu^+e^-]$





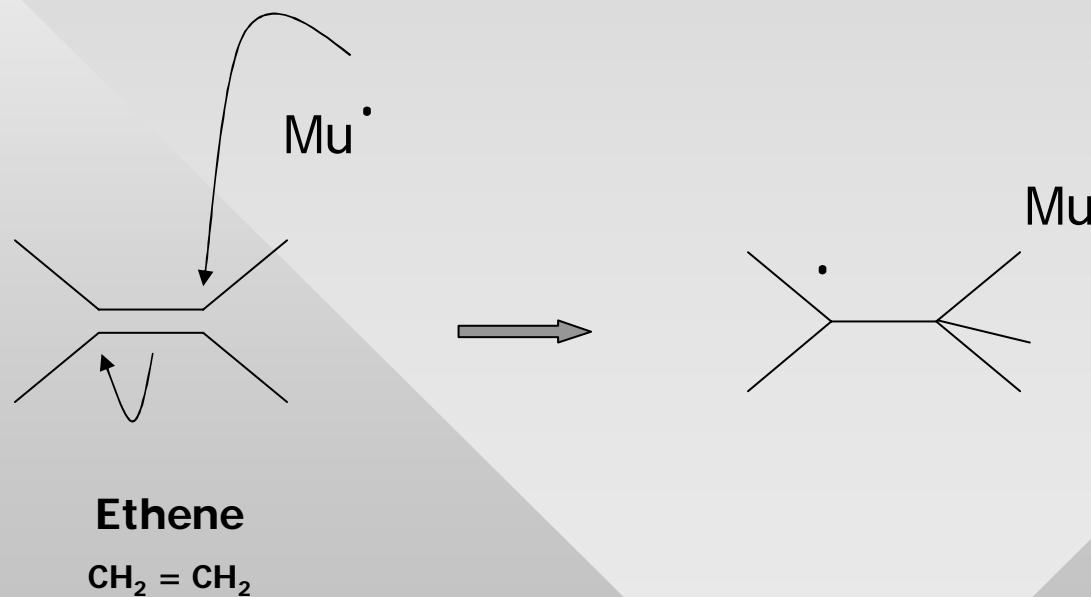
TF-MuSR spectra of  
(a) 4-Fluoroacetophenone,  
(b) 4-Chloroacetophenone  
& (c) 4-Methylacetophenone  
at 200 mT and 300 K



**Figure 1.** Correlation of closed-shell  $\nu_{\text{CO}}$  with open-shell  $A_\mu$  for various carbonyl species. Data of aliphatic species from ref 11. (Acetaldehyde: 23 MHz,  $1724 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ; acetone: 25 MHz,  $1715 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ; formamide: 50 MHz,  $1671 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ; ethyl acetate: 55 MHz,  $1741 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ; methylformate: 61 MHz,  $1724 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ; ditertiarybutyl ketone: 62 MHz,  $1688 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .)

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## DNA

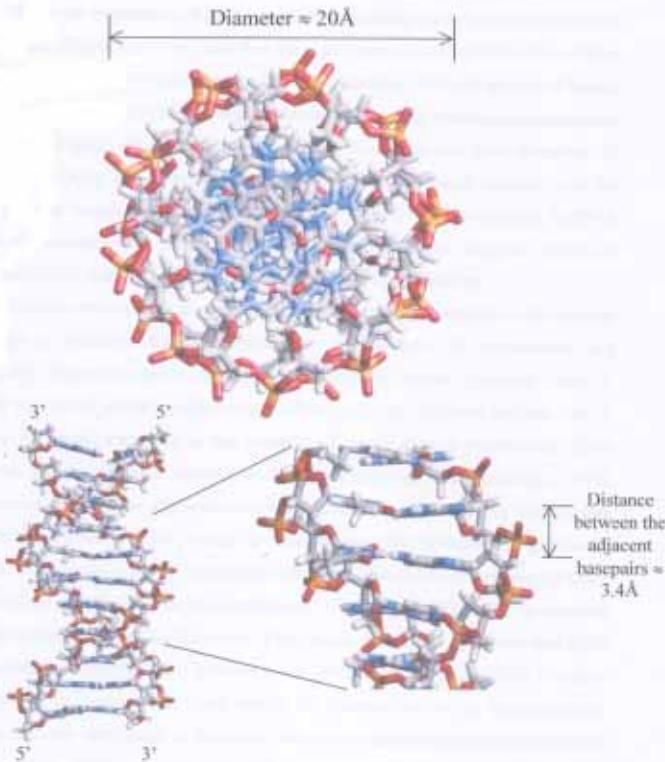
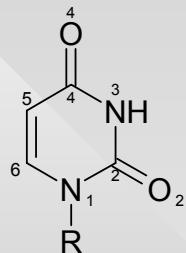


Illustration of B-form dsDNA. For this image, the original structure from Feng, B. and Stone, M. P., (1995), *Chem. Res. Toxicol.*, 8, 821, has been used (protein data bank entrance no. 1AGH). Colour code is as used in figure 1-1.

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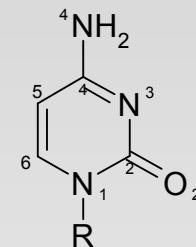
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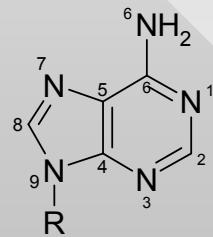
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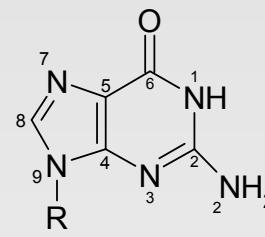
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CYTOSINE



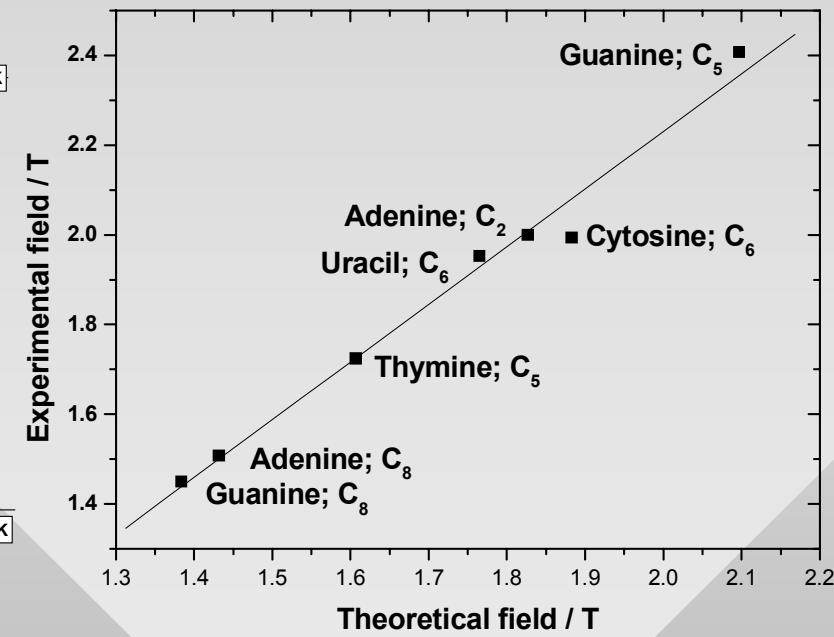
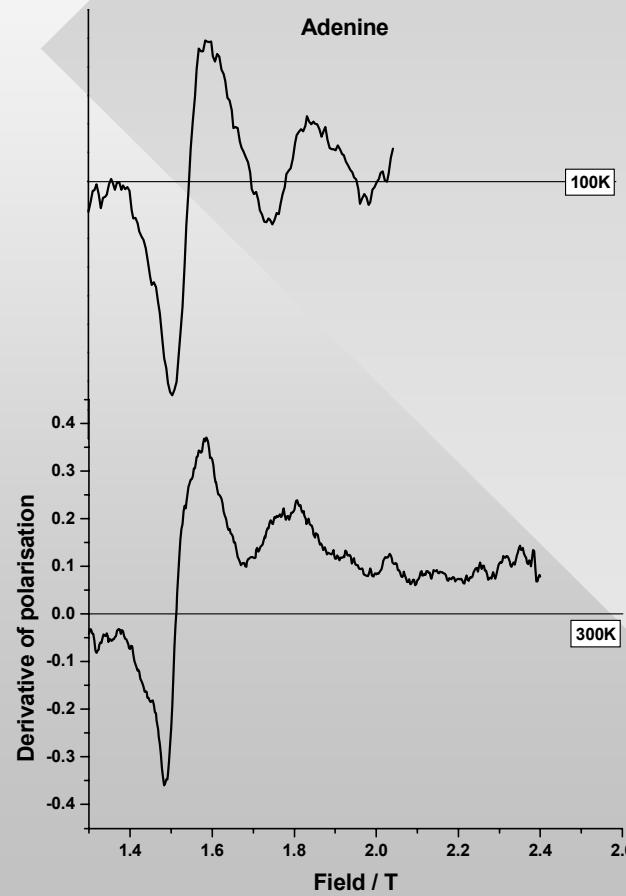
ADENINE



GUANINE

# $\mu$ SR

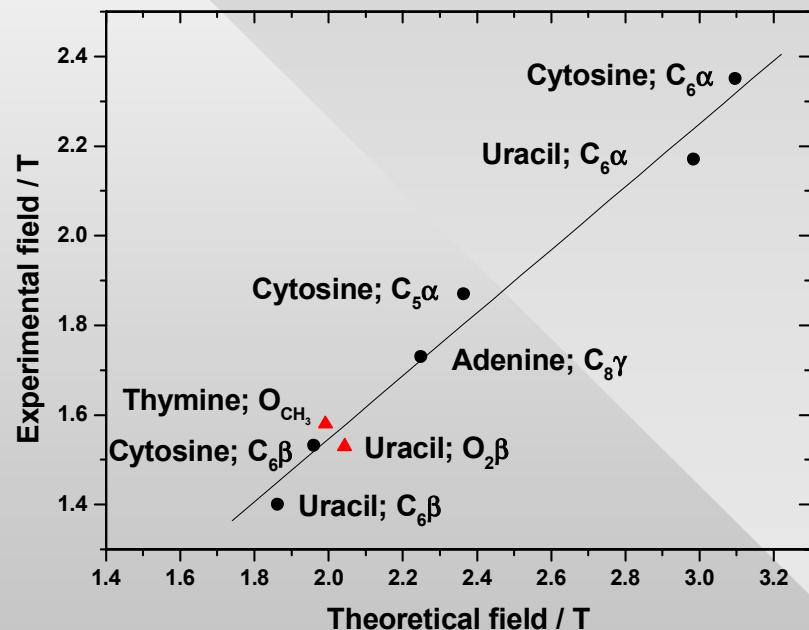
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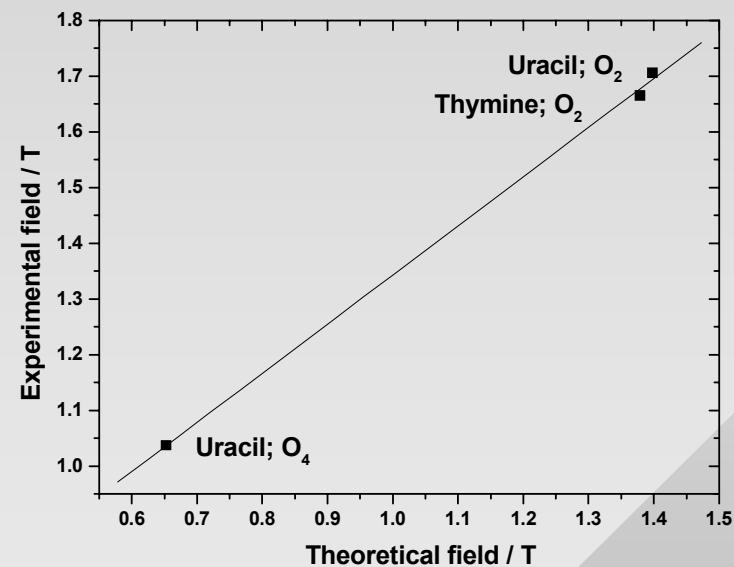
ALC  $|\Delta M| = 1$  resonance features

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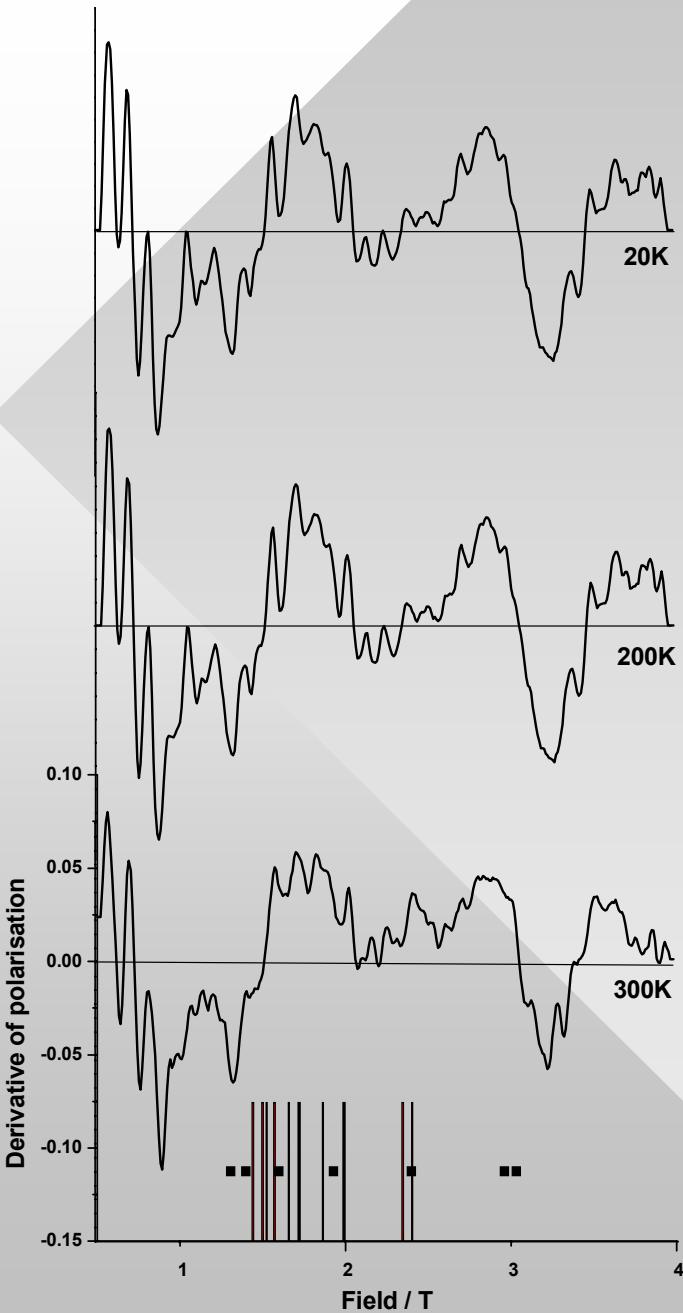
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ALC  $|\Delta M| = 0$  resonance features



ALC  $|\Delta M| = 1$   
O-Mu adduct resonance features



The ALC- $\mu$ SR spectra of  
dsDNA (Herring testes).

The resonance signals  
observed and assigned for  
the different bases are  
indicated as a stick diagram  
for comparison.

The predicted positions,  
using the DFT results and  
the linear correlations, of  
the other possible addition  
sites on the bases for which  
no experimental ALC signals  
were observed are indicated  
as dark squares.

# $\mu$ SR

- **Molecules with Muonium**  $[\mu^+e^-]$

**Two main types of measurement:**

- (a) Active observer of a process

*Radical formation modifies the process*

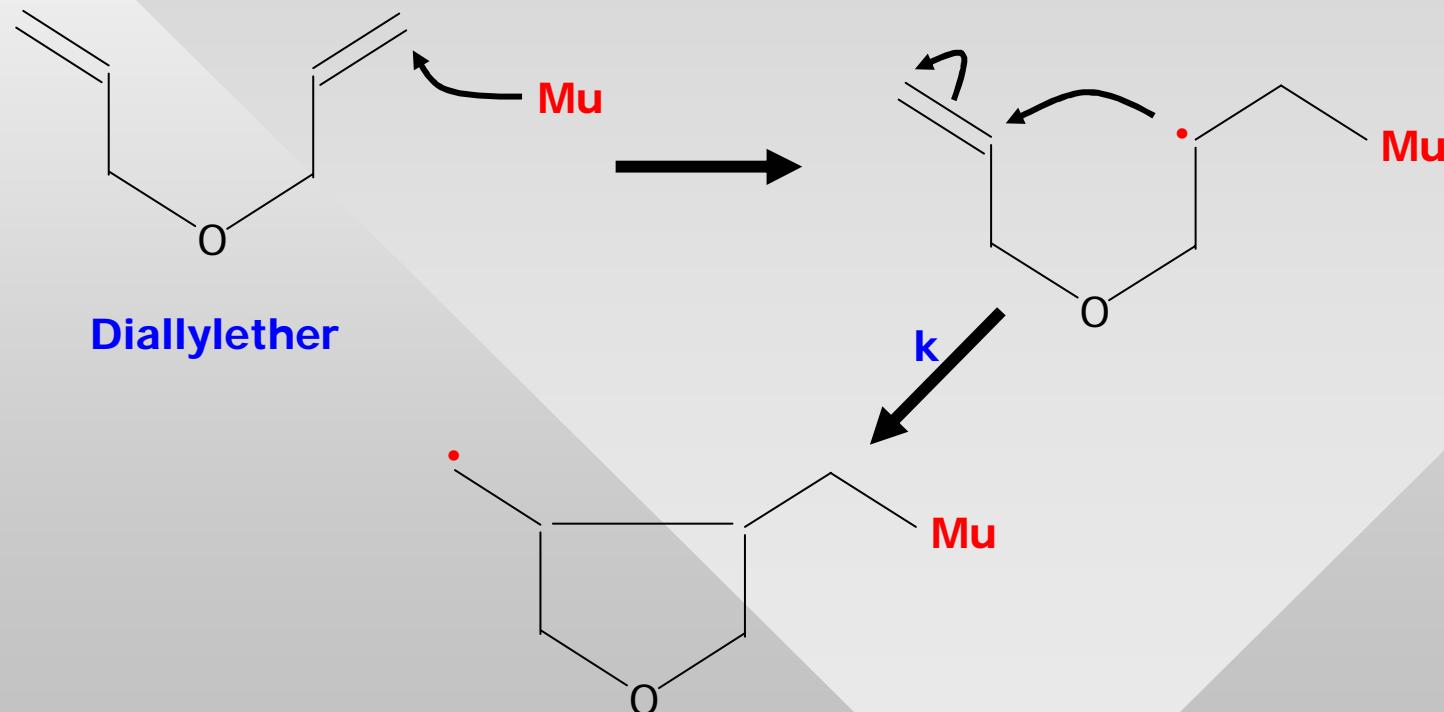
- (b) Passive observer of a process

*Measured properties similar to close-shell compound*

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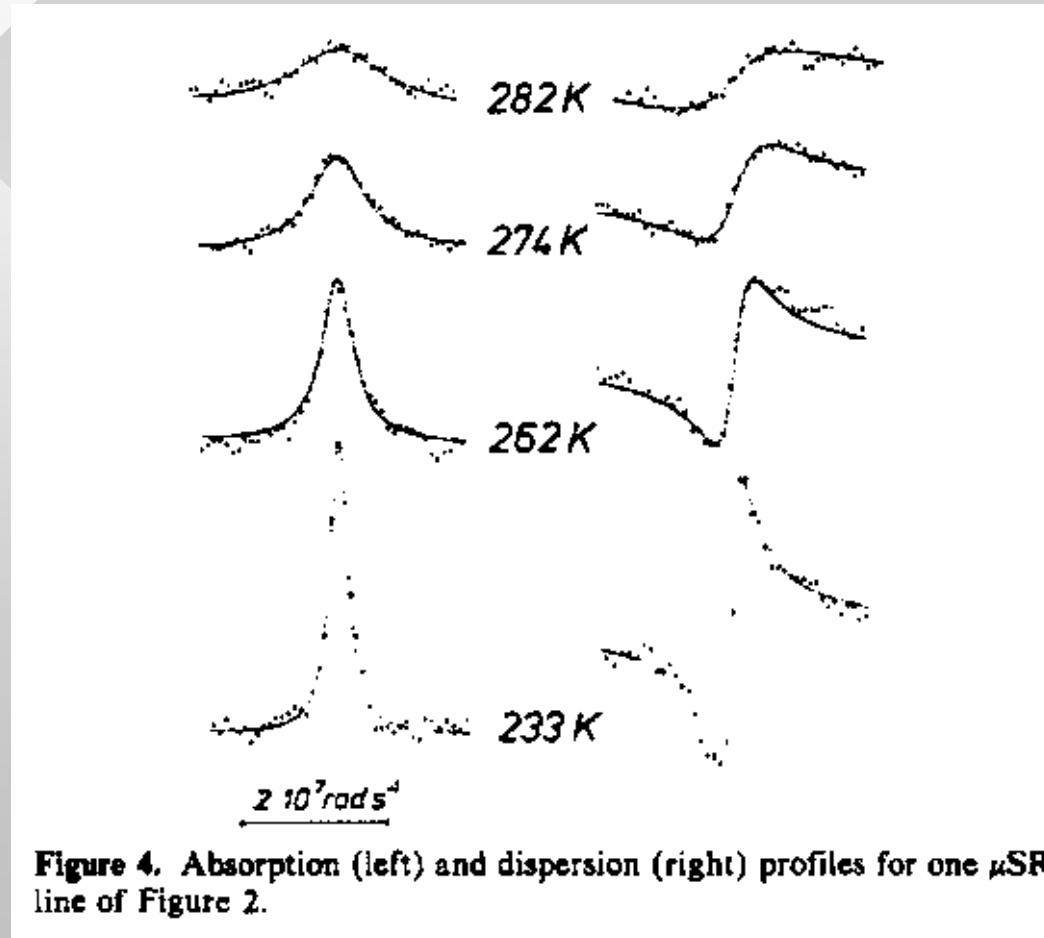
Rates of Radical Cyclization



P. Burkhardt et al. J. Phys. Chem. 88 (1984) 773

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$$k(338K) = 9.3 \times 10^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

and compares well with  
the literature estimates  
of

$$k(338K) = 8.8 \times 10^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

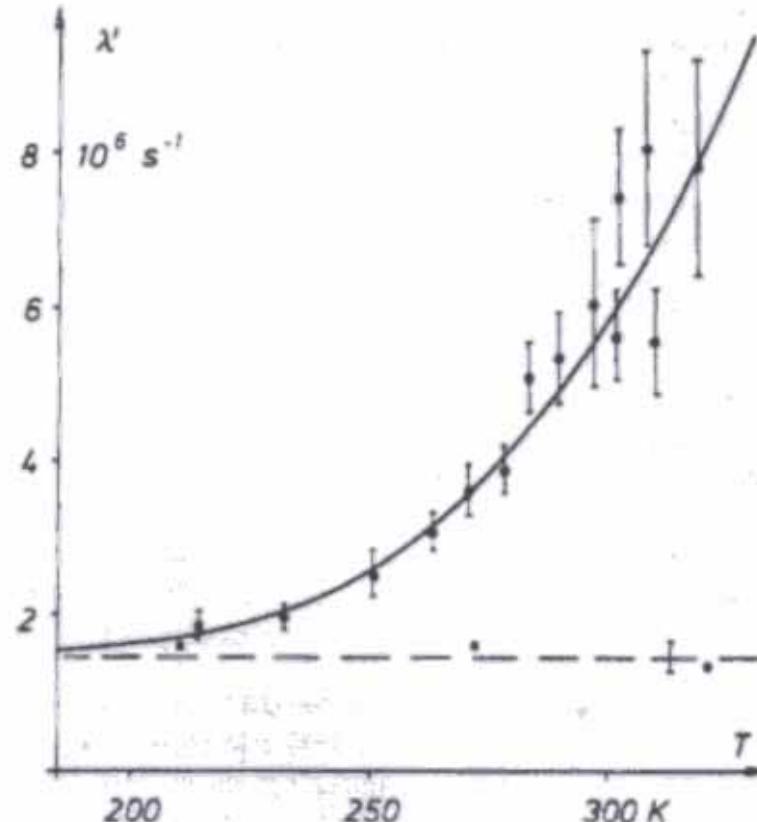
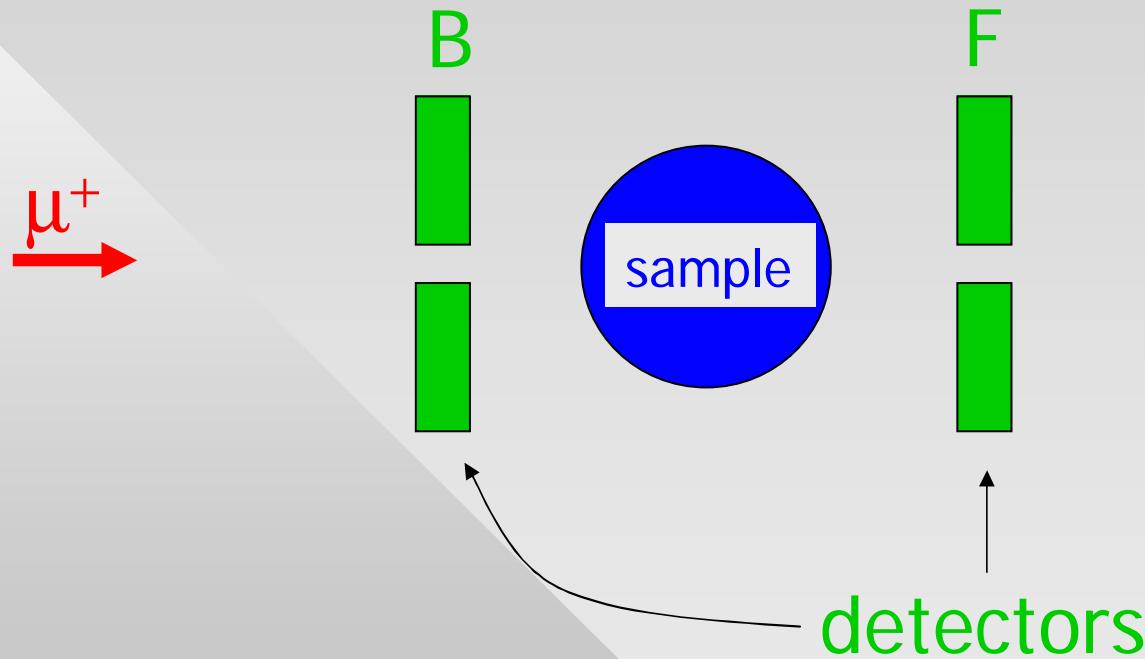


Figure 6. Line width parameters  $\lambda'$  for  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OCH}_2\text{CHCH}_2\text{Mu}$  (circles) and  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_2\text{CHCH}_2\text{Mu}$  (squares) vs. temperature.

# $\mu$ SR

- Muon Spin Relaxation



Measure  $(F - B)/(F + B)$  vs Time

## *Molecular Dynamics*

### Theory

$$\lambda_{ij} = |M_{ij}|^2 \cdot P_{ij} \cdot \varphi(\omega_{ij})$$

Coupling of perturbation

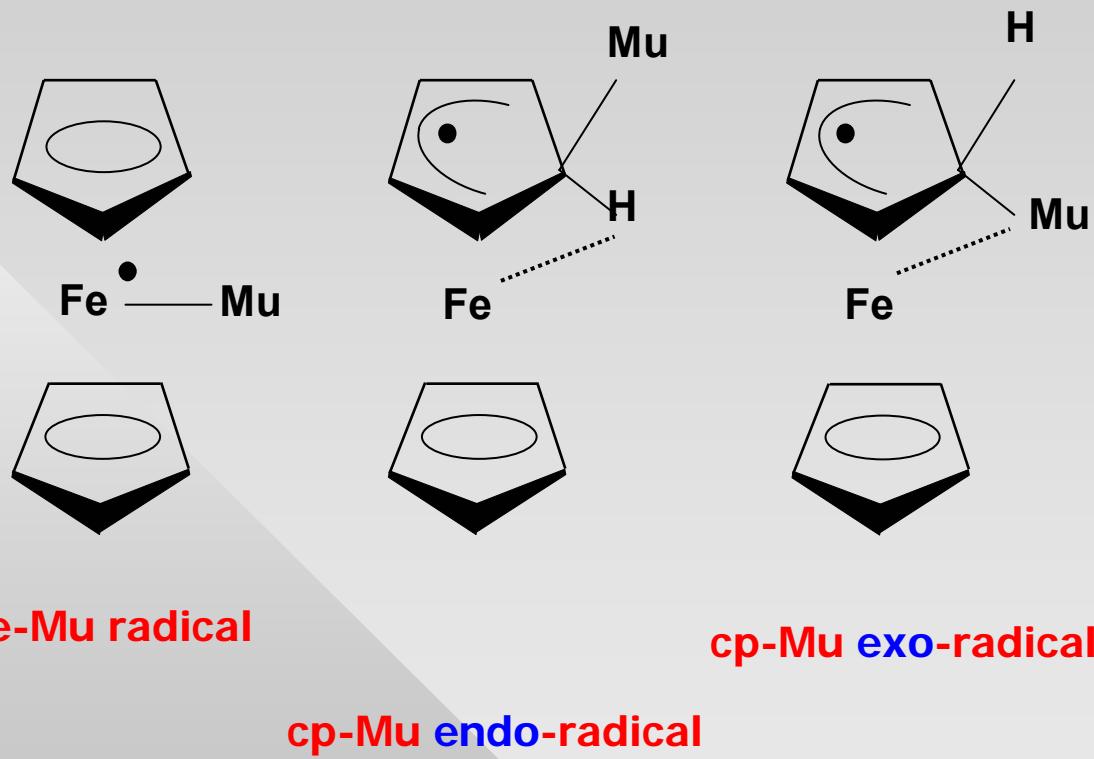
Change in muon polarisation

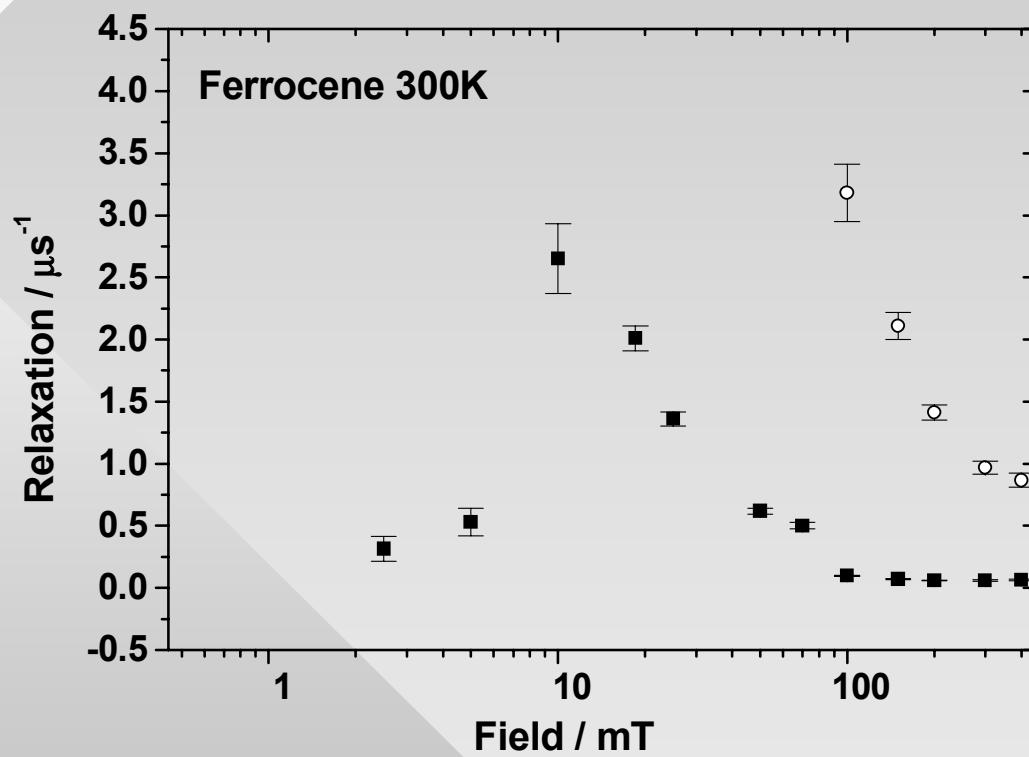
Spectral density of perturbation

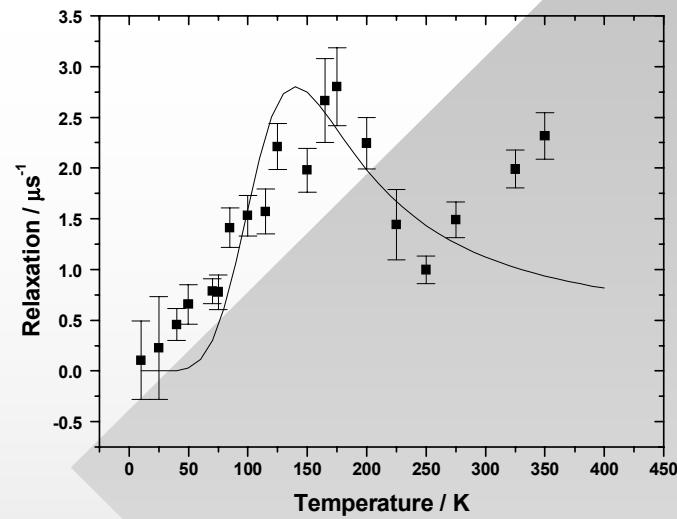
$$\lambda = 2 \cdot (2\pi\delta A)^2 \cdot \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} \cdot \frac{\tau}{1+\tau^2\omega^2}$$

*S.F.J. Cox and D.S. Sivia, Hyperfine Interactions 87 (1994) 971*

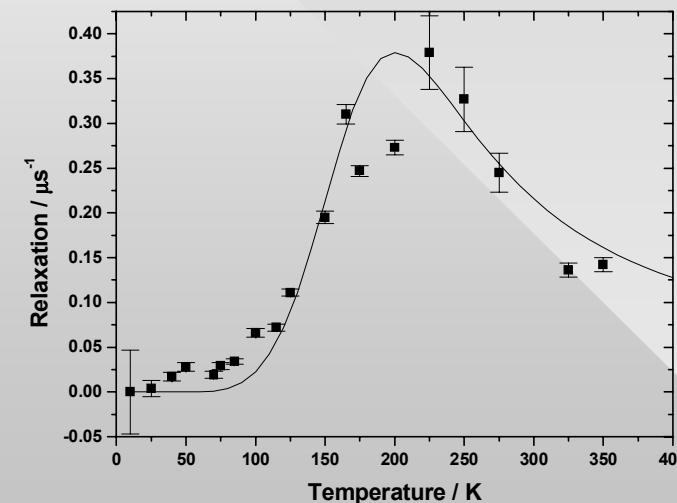
## FERROCENE





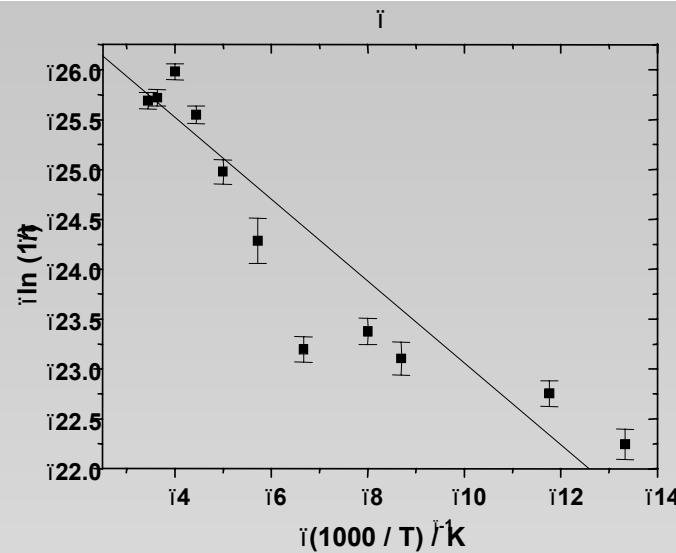


$$\Delta E = 3.4(0.4) \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

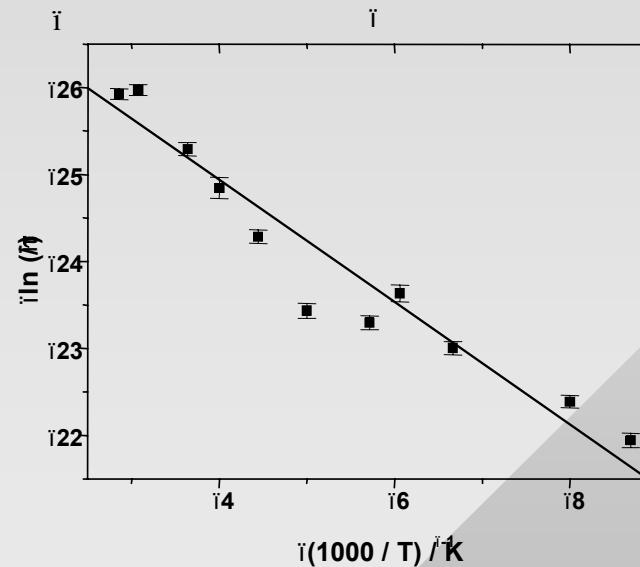


$$\Delta E = 5.8(0.4) \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

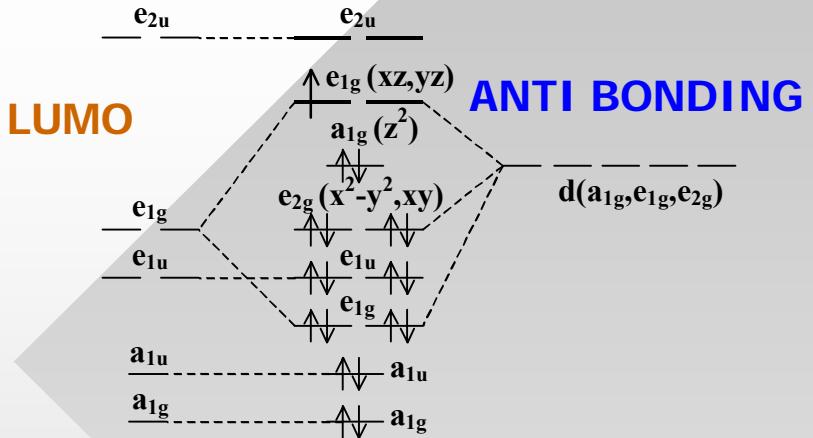
Cp-Mu repolarises like benzene



$$A = 6.3(1.7) \times 10^{11} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

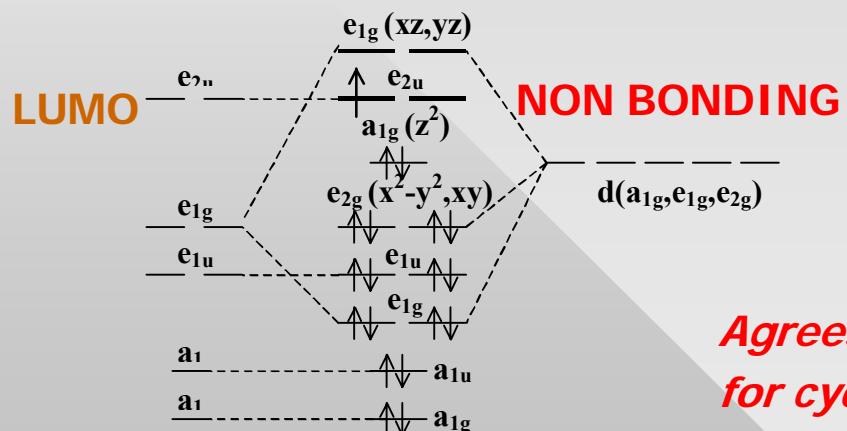


$$A = 1.1(0.4) \times 10^{12} \text{ s}^{-1}$$



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*Agrees with NMR & QENS values  
for cyclopentadienyl ring rotation*

I	II	IIIb	IVb	Vb	VIb	VIIb	VIIIb		Ib	IIb	III	IV	V	VI	VII	0	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
H		LUMO anti-bonding															He
Li	Be																Ne
Na	Mg	LUMO non-bonding															Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba	La*	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
Fr	Ra	Ac**	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Uun	Uuu	Uub		Uuq		Uuh		Uuo
Lanthanides *			Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu	
Actinides **			Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr	

Benzene chromium tricarbonyl

→ Agree with NMR and QENS

Cyclopentadienyl manganese tricarbonyl

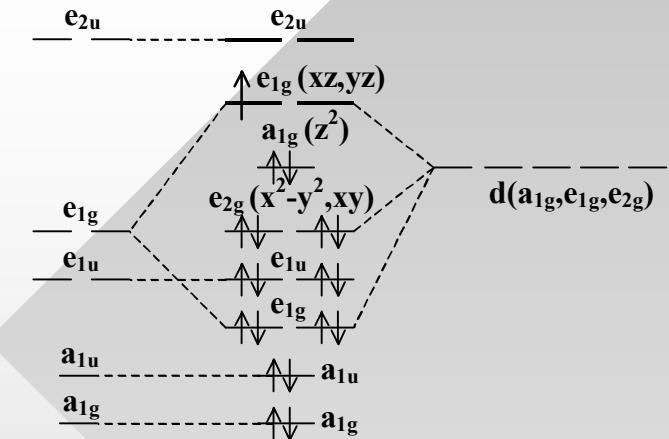
Ferrocene

→ Both types

Ruthenocene

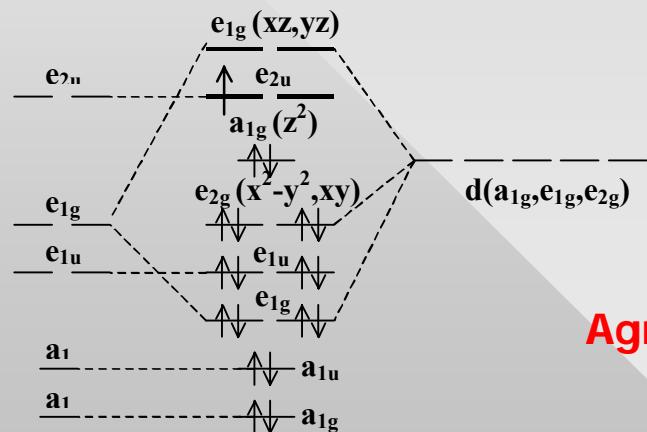
Osmocene

→ Do not agree with NMR and QENS



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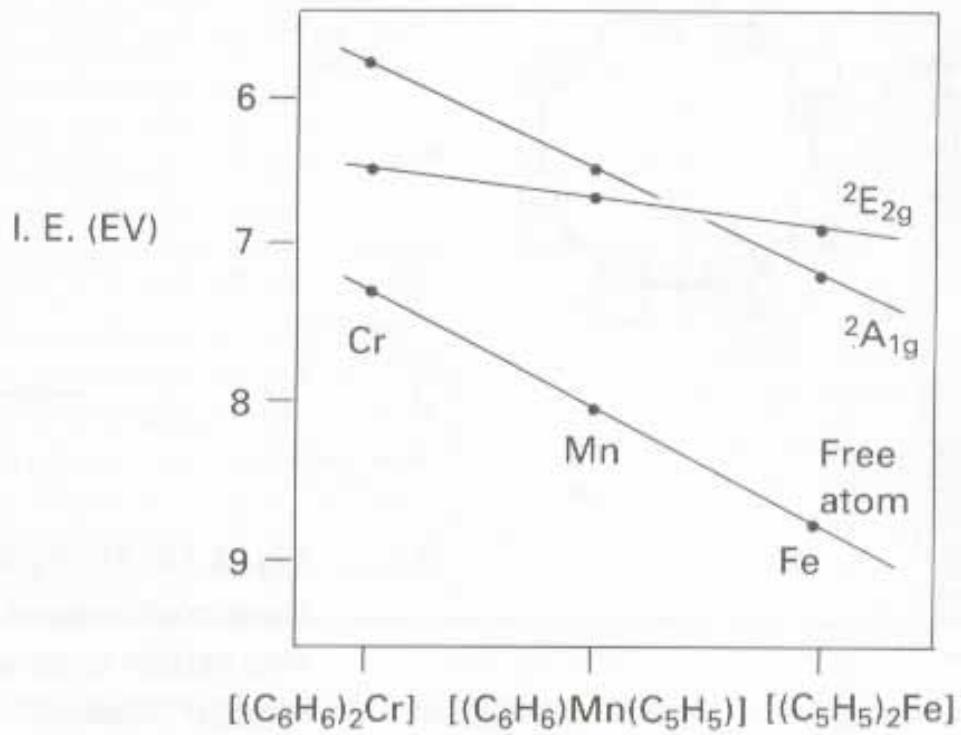


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*Photoelectron spectroscopic evidence to show the drop in energy of the d-orbitals across the Periodic Table.*



**Fig. 3.14** A plot of the energies of the  $^2A_{1g}$  and  $^2E_{2g}$  ion states for isoelectronic metallocenes derived from UV photoelectron spectral studies.

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