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Gas-Electron-Diffraction &
Small Molecule Structures Centre



Low-Pressure Gas Electron Diffraction

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New project

GED for low-volatile and thermally unstable compounds.

Normal GED: $P_{\text{sample}} \sim 1 - 10 \text{ mbar}$

LP GED: $P_{\text{sample}} < 10^{-2} \text{ mbar}$

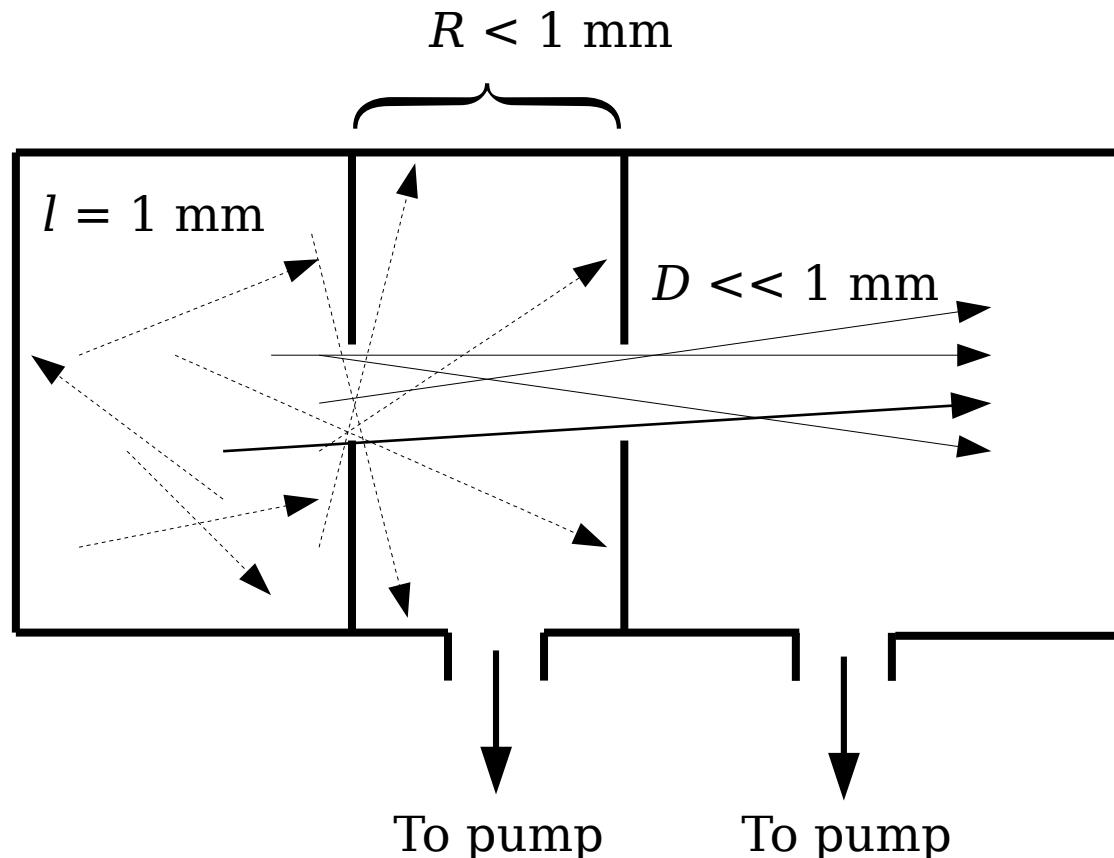
- High-temperature GED.
- Combined MS+GED experiments.
- Molecular beams.
- Highly reproducible experimental conditions.
- Experimental background.

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Molecular beams

Mean free path $l = \frac{k_B T}{\sqrt{2} \pi d^2 p}$

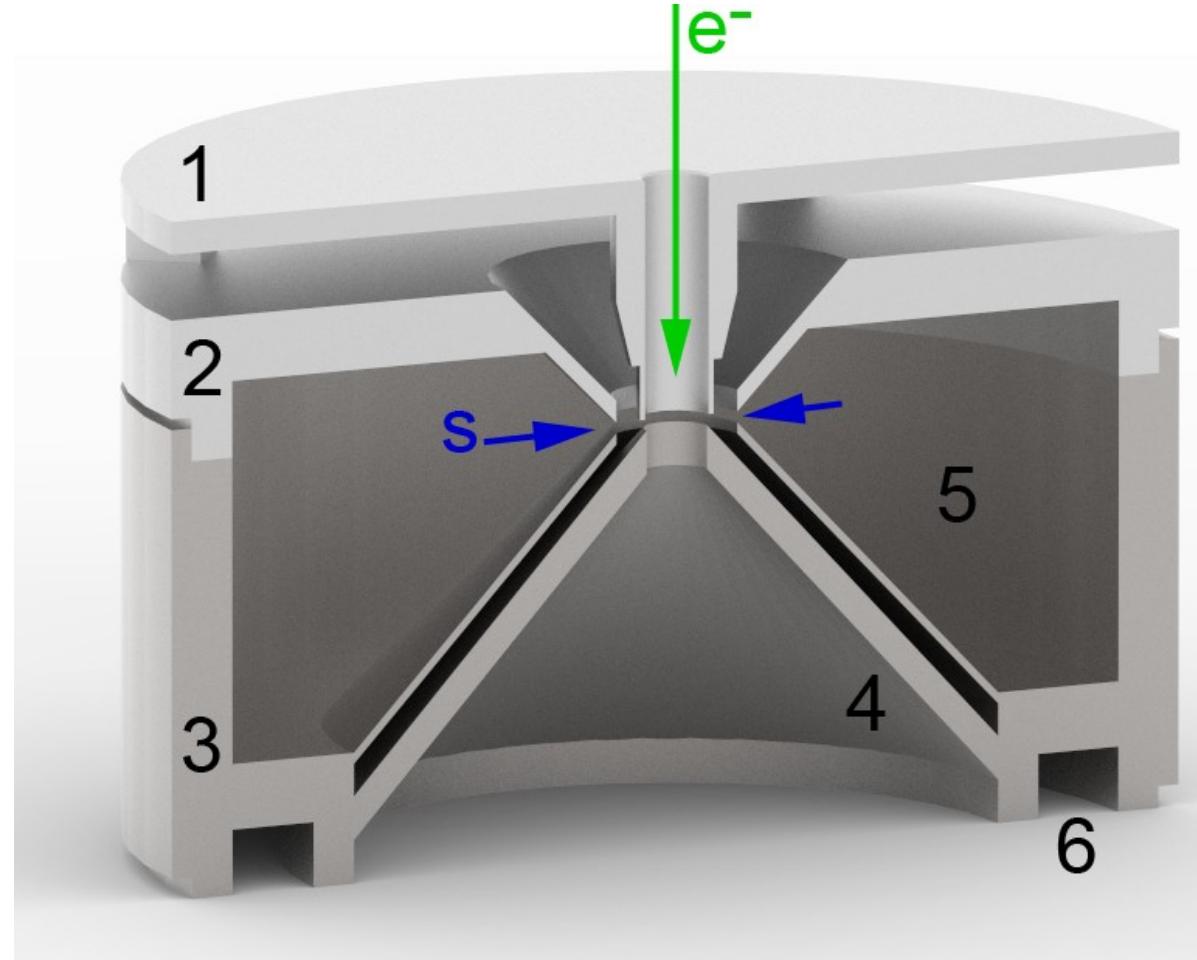
$T, \text{ K}$	$p, \text{ mbar}$	$d, \text{ \AA}$	$l, \text{ mm}$
300	10	10	$\sim 10^{-3}$
300	10^{-2}	10	~ 1
600	10^{-2}	20	~ 0.5
600	10^{-3}	20	5



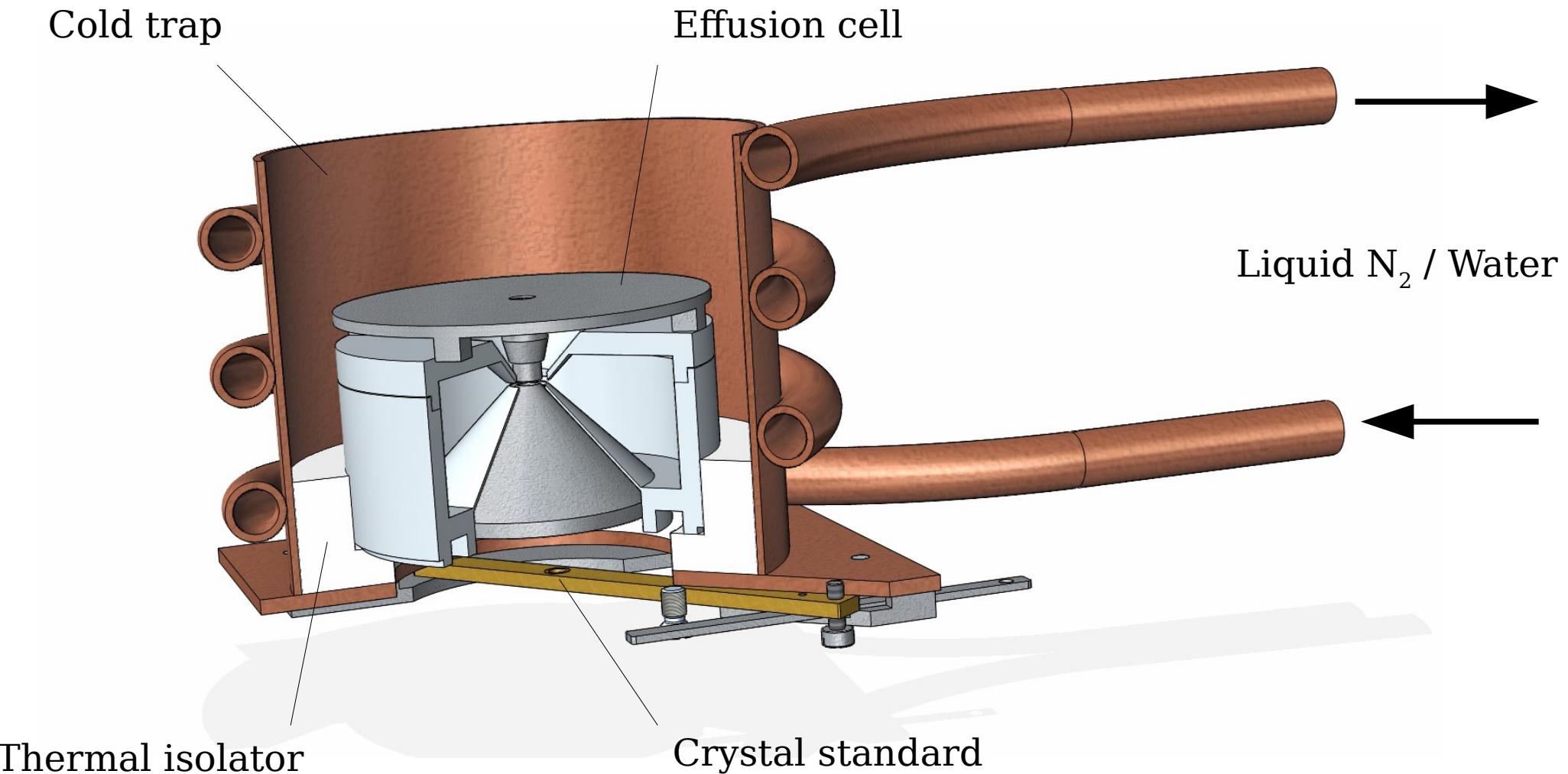
Ring cell for GED

Proposed by A. A. Ivanov (MSU).

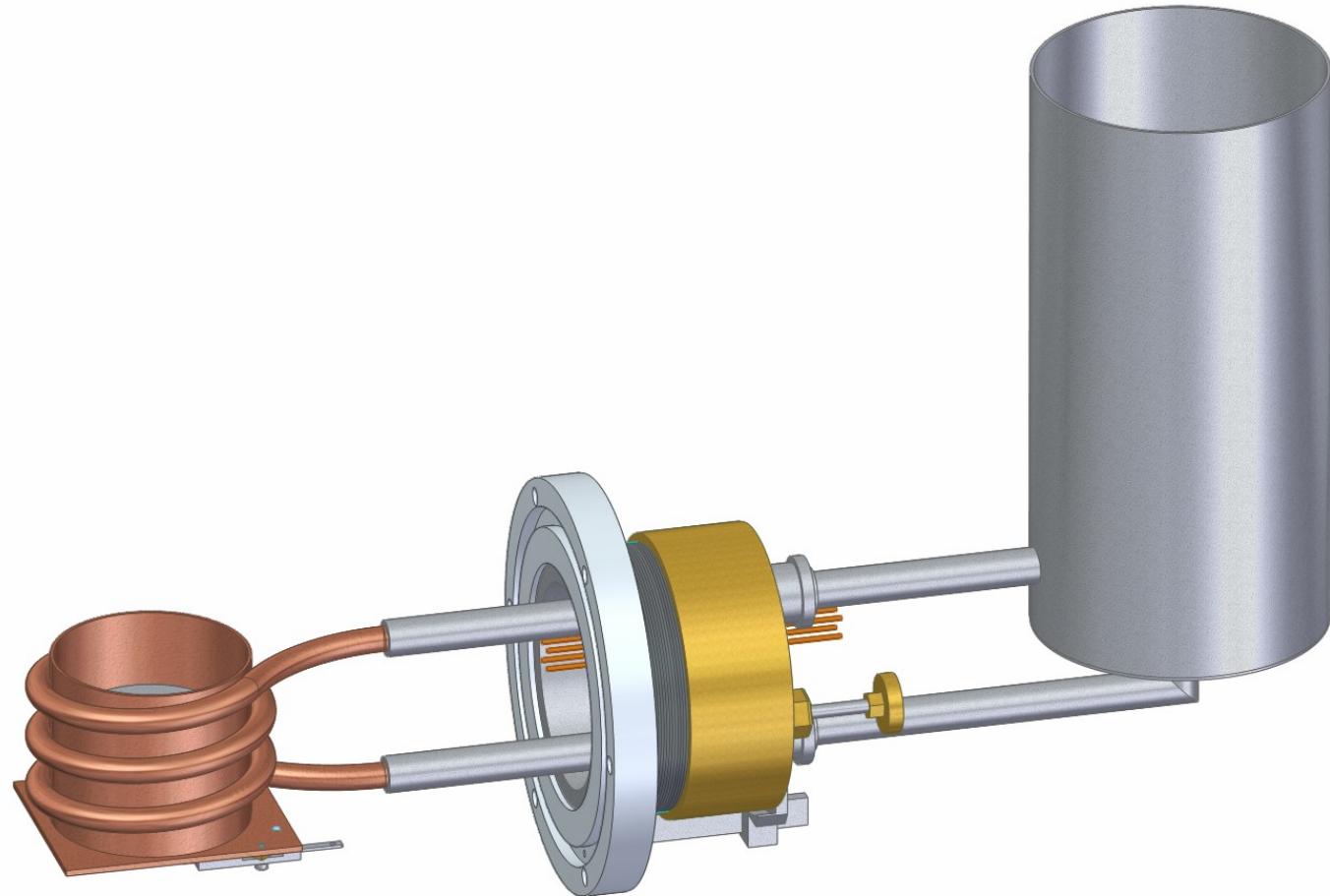
Target — “Molecular film”.



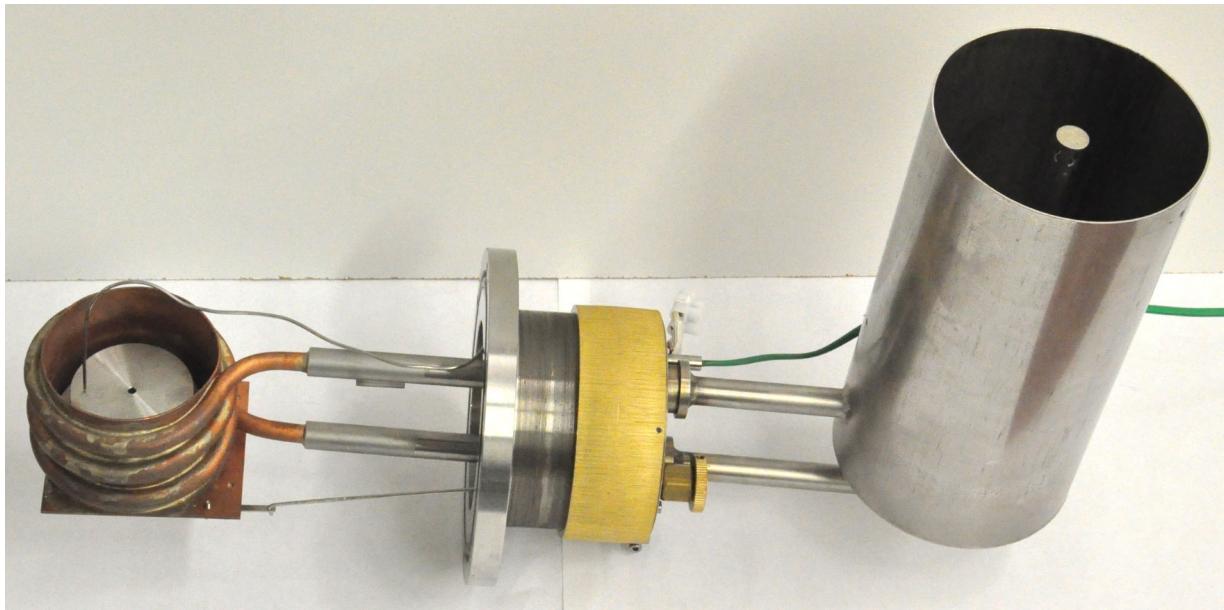
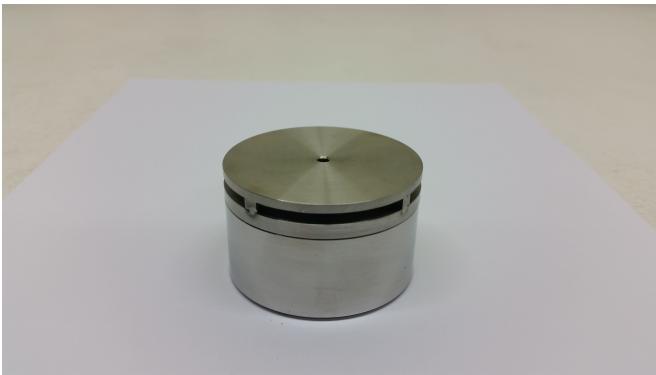
CAD Model



Inlet system



Real prototype



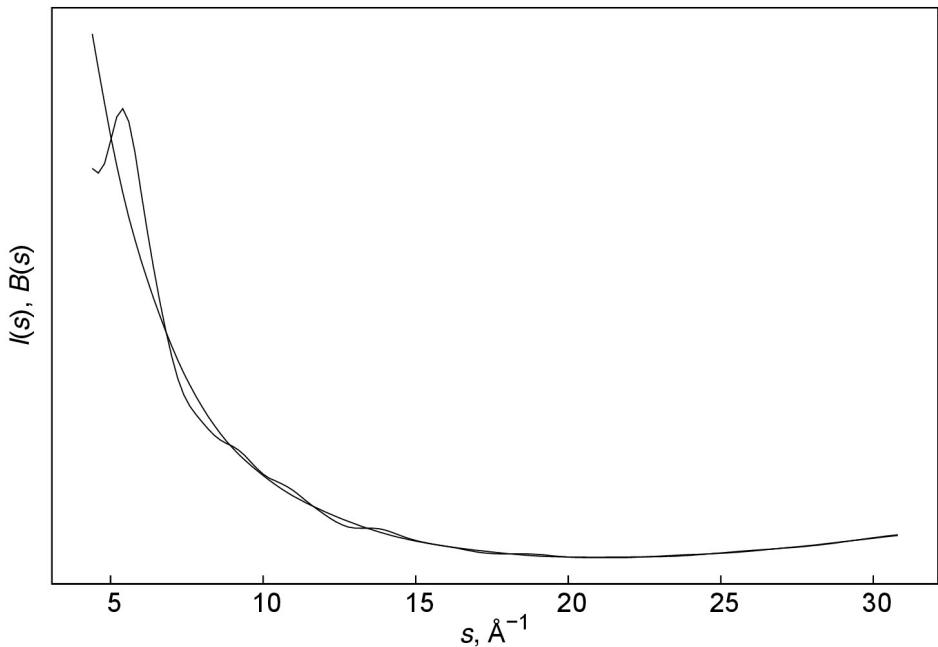
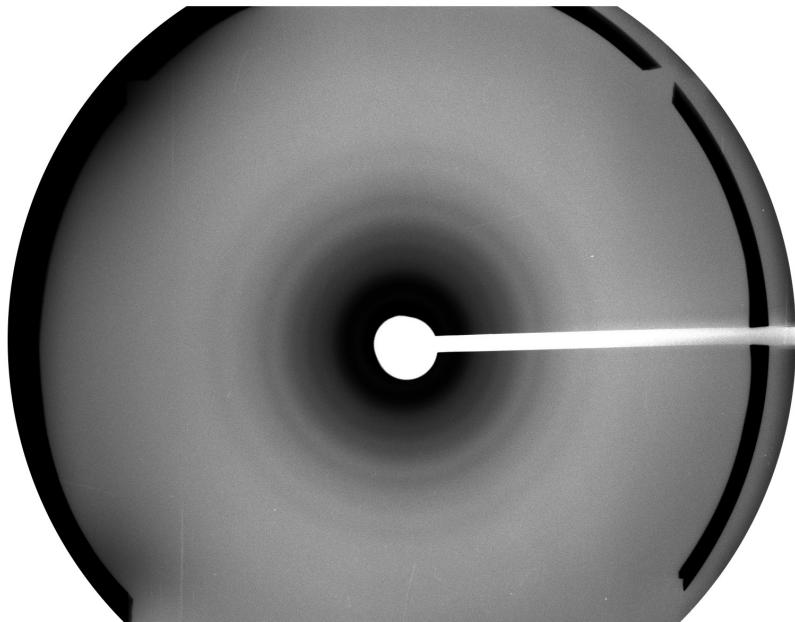


Hiden EPIC ion counting detector (up to 2500 amu)

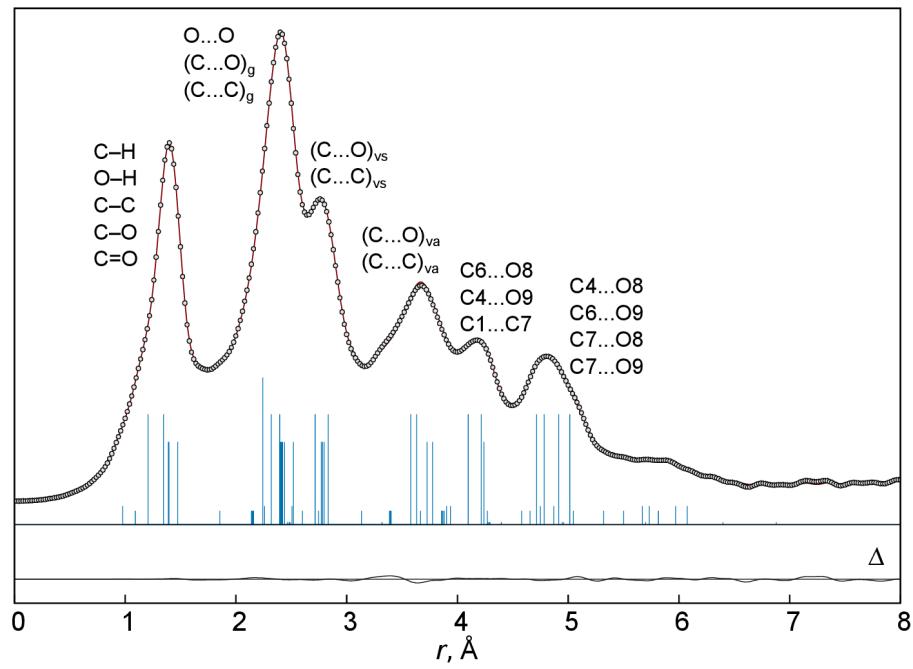
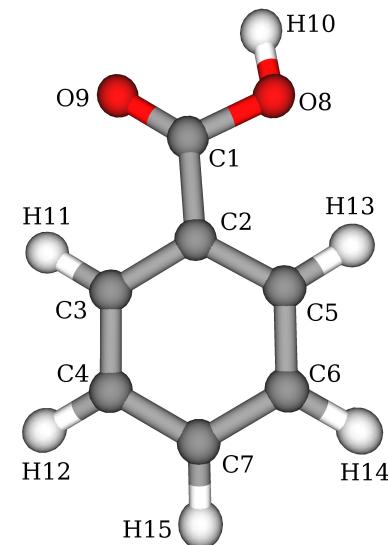
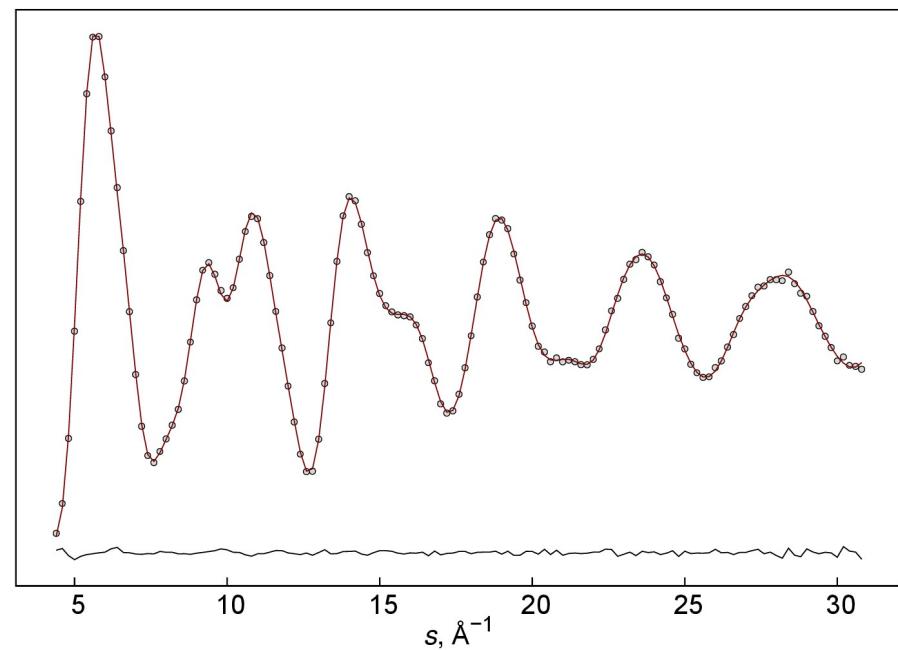
Test measurements

First measurements: Benzoic acid

	Vishnevskiy et al., 2015	Aarset et al., 2006
Temperature, K	287	406
Sample pressure, mbar	2.7×10^{-4}	17
Background pressure, mbar	1×10^{-7}	?
Electron beam current, μA	10.9	?
Exposure time, s	60	?



Benzoic acid

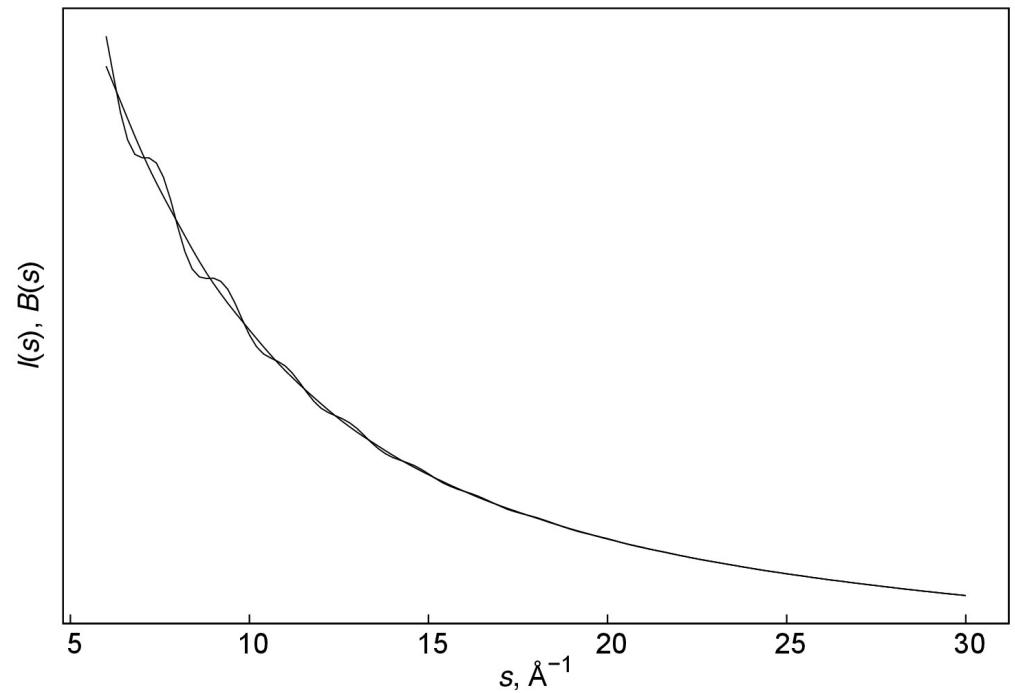
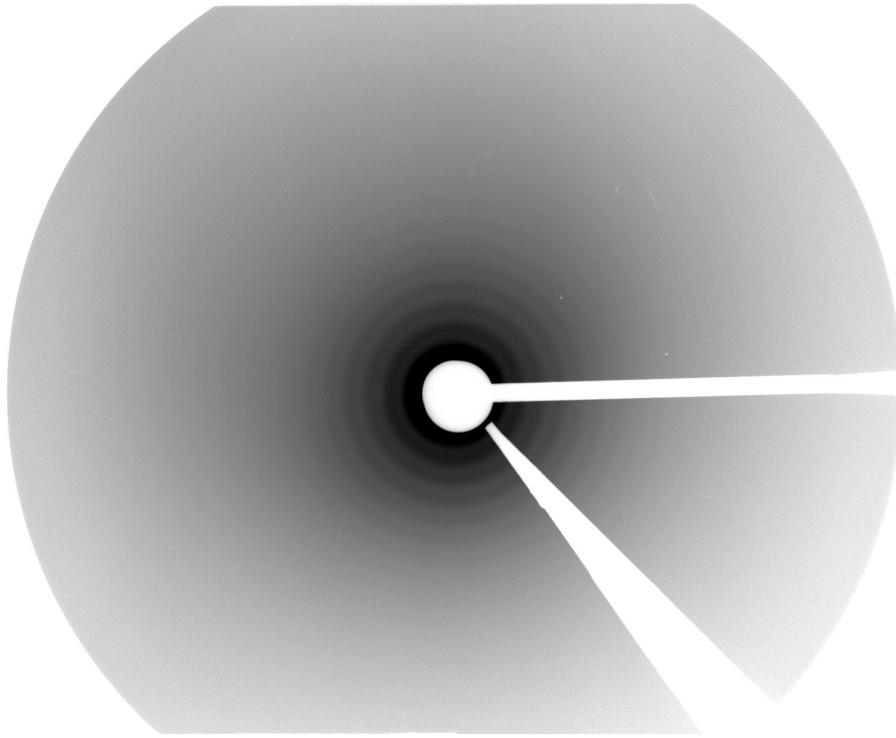


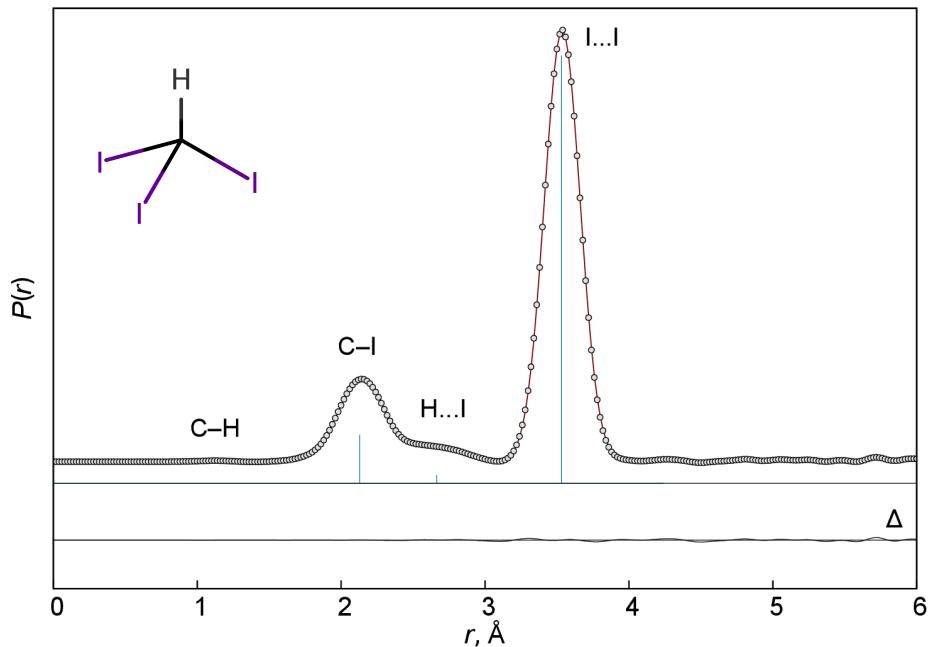
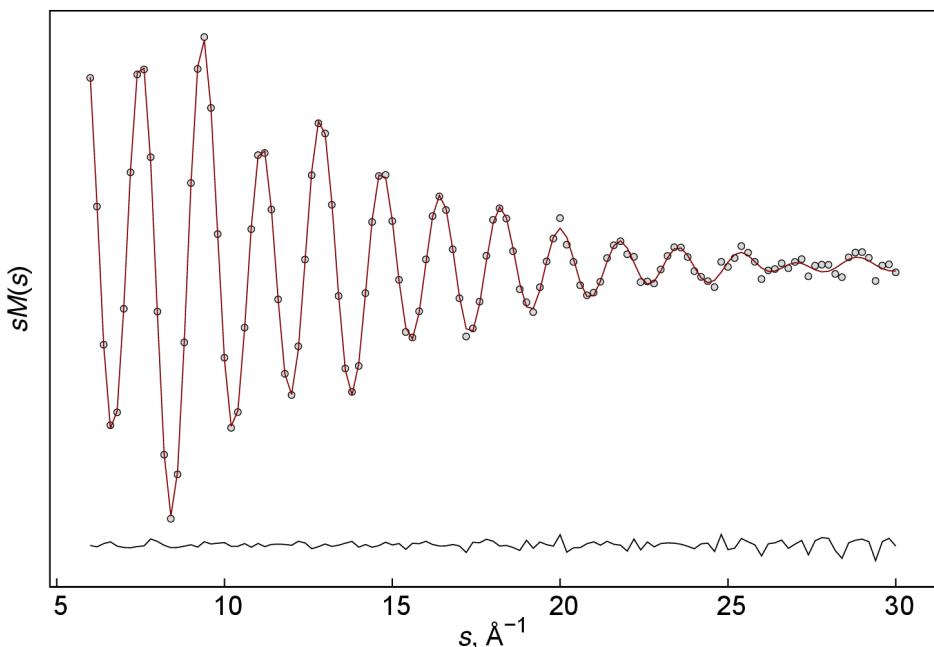
Parameter, [\AA , $^\circ$]	Vishnevskiy et al., 2015	Aarset et al., 2006
$r_a(C_{\text{ar}}-C_{\text{ar}})_{\text{av}}$	1.393(1)	1.397(6)
$r_a(C_{\text{ar}}-C)$	1.475(7)	1.475(21)
$r_a(C=O)$	1.207(4)	1.220(18)
$r_a(C-O)$	1.347(8)	1.359(24)
$l(C_{\text{ar}}-C_{\text{ar}})$	0.053(2)	0.054(18)
$R_f, \%$	2.6	?

Errors: 3σ

Iodoform, CHI_3

	Vishnevskiy et al., 2015	Takeuchi et al., 2003
Temperature, K	288	395
Electron beam current, μA	0.9	1.5
Exposure time, s	45 – 90	110 – 140



Iodoform, CHI_3 

Parameter, $\text{\AA}, {}^\circ$	Takeuchi et al., 2003 r_g	Vishnevskiy et al., 2015 r_g	r_e	Calculated r_e
$r(\text{C-H})$	1.111 assumed	1.128(107)	1.107(107)	1.081
$r(\text{C-I})$	2.145(8)	2.130(6)	2.119(6)	2.125
$r(\text{I...I})$	3.549(2)	3.536(1)	3.522(1)	3.531
$l(\text{C-I})$	0.067(7)		0.067(1)	0.055
$l(\text{I...I})$	0.108(2)		0.101(2)	0.084
$R_f, \%$?		5.1	

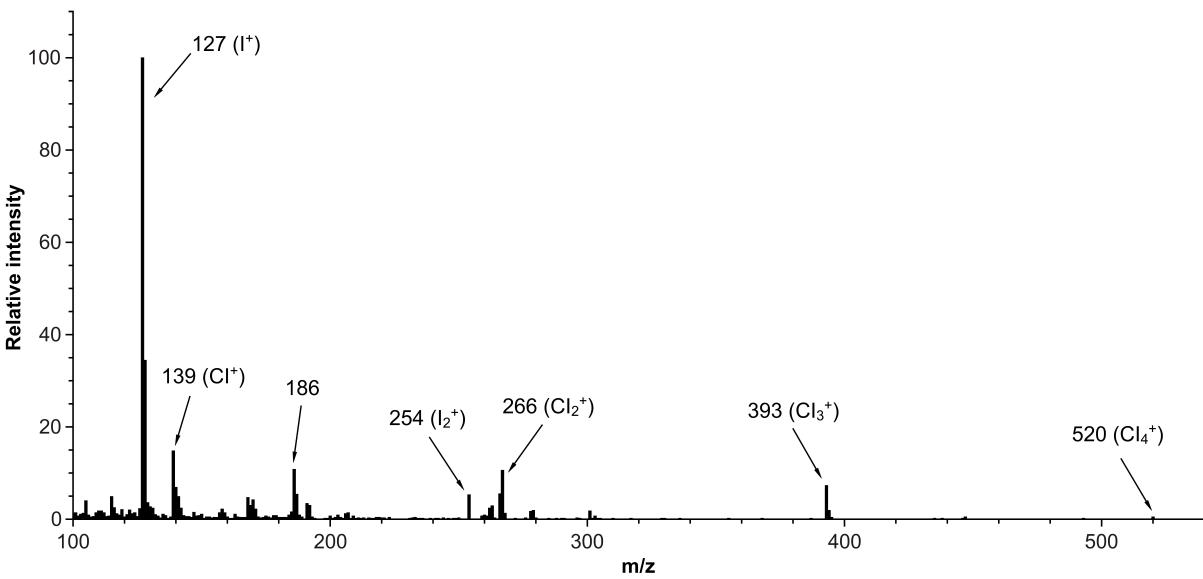
QC geometry: CCSD(T)/CBS-PP, Amplitudes: MP2/SDB-cc-pVTZ

Errors: 3σ

Carbon tetraiodide, CI_4

	Vishnevskiy et al., 2015	Hargittai et al., 2001
Temperature, K	290	396
Electron beam current, μA	4.8	?
Exposure time, s	20 - 60	?

Combined GED+MS @ 290 K



Hargittai: $\sim 20\% \text{ I}_2$ @ 396 K

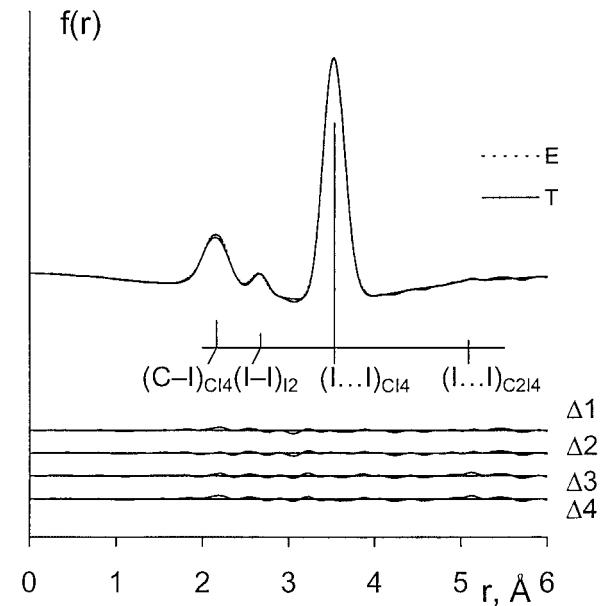
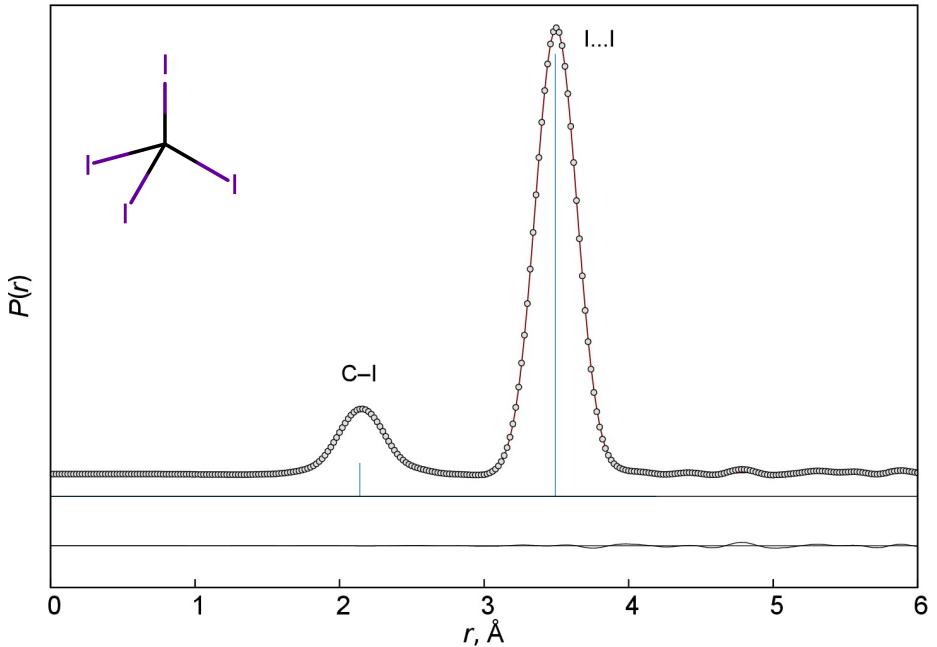
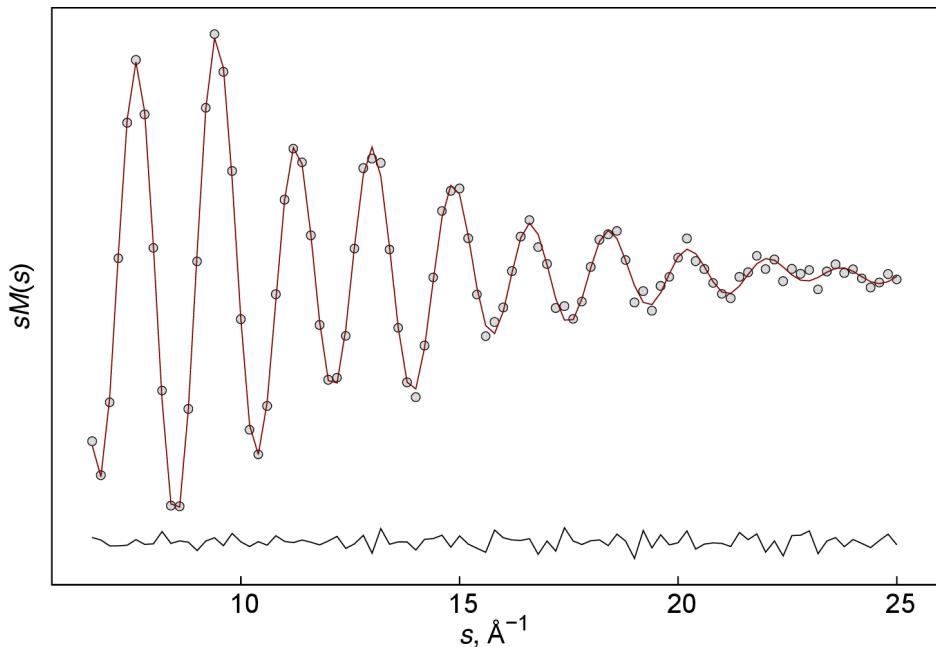


Fig. 2. Experimental (E) and calculated (T) radial distributions for Model 1 and their differences (Δ) for the three models of Table VII. The contribution of the distances of Cl_4 and I_2 , and the position of the longest $\text{I} \cdots \text{I}$ distance of C_2I_4 from Model 1 are indicated. $\Delta 4$ corresponds to a model with Cl_4 and I_2 only.

Carbon tetraiodide, CI_4



Parameter, [Å, °]	Hargittai et al., 2001 r_g	Vishnevskiy et al., 2015 r_g	r_e	Calculated r_e
$r(\text{C-I})$	2.157(6)	2.142(1)	2.132(1)	2.144
$r(\text{I...I})$	3.530(7)	3.496(2)	3.482(2)	3.501
$l(\text{C-I})$	0.063 assumed	0.046(22)		0.058
$l(\text{I...I})$	0.106(23)	0.114(3)		0.083
R_f , %	5.4		7.1	

QC geometry: CCSD(T)/CBS-PP, Amplitudes: MP2/SDB-cc-pVTZ

Errors: 3σ , $2\sigma + \text{se}$

Conclusions / To Do

- Ring cell works!
- Successfully tested MS+GED.
- It is possible to avoid substance decomposition.
- Refined parameters are
 - a) precise and accurate,
 - b) consistent with published data.

- Implement heating of the effusion cell.
- Tune mass-detector and optimize its position.
- Measure new compounds.

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