

## THE GEISA DATABASE 2009 EDITION: Update Description and Assessment of Spectroscopic Parameters Through Hyperspectral Remote Sensing Applications



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**GEISA: Gestion et Etude  
des Informations  
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## OUTLINE

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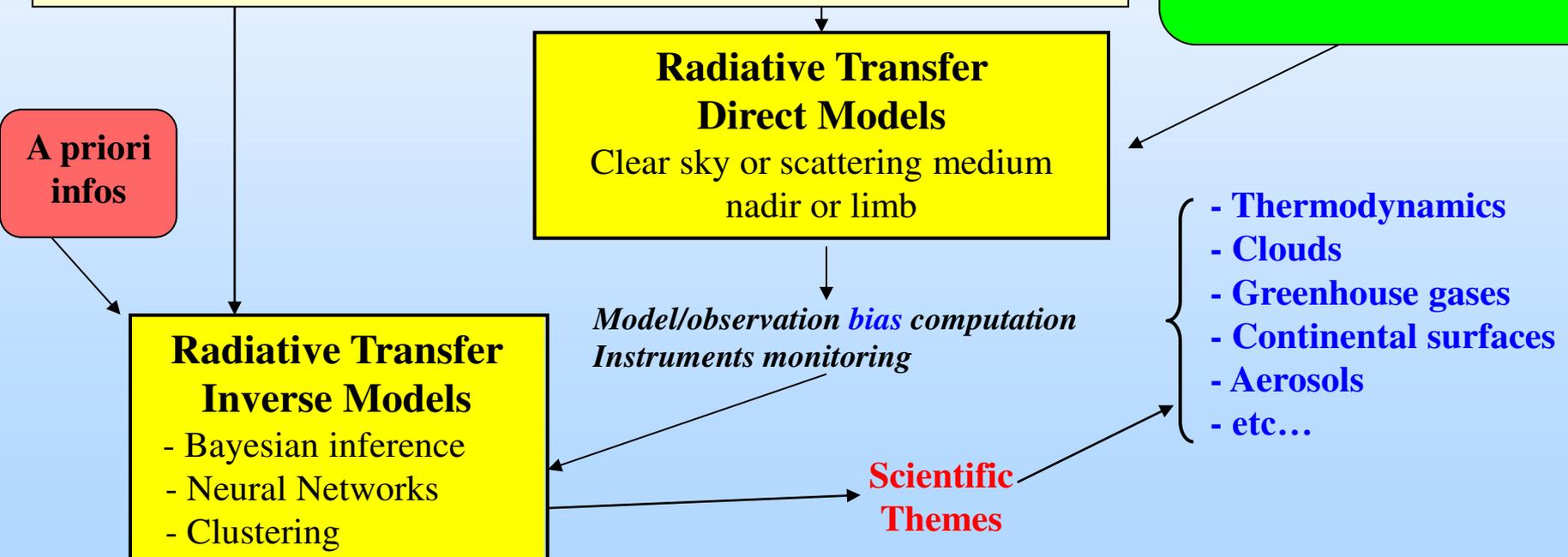
[5] CONCLUDING COMMENTS

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# [1] FROM SATELLITE OBSERVATIONS TO CLIMATE VARIABLES: a long process based on Radiative Transfer

The performance of the second generation vertical sounding, high-resolution, sophisticated infrared spectroscopic instruments, such as AIRS in the USA and IASI in Europe, highly depends on the accuracy in the spectroscopic parameters of the optically active atmospheric gases, since such data constitute an essential input in the forward models that are used to interpret the recorded spectral radiances.

**GEISA  
SPECTROSCOPIC  
DATABASE**

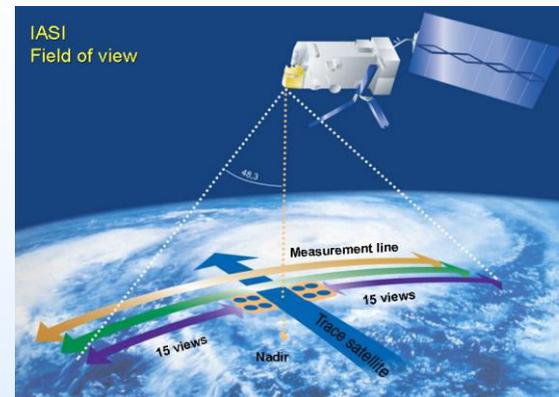


# [1] GEISA EFFECTIVE USE



**IASI (Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer) on METOP (October 19th 2006 launch)**

3 Bands  
[1] 645-1210  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   
[2] 1210-2000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   
[3] 2000-2760  $\text{cm}^{-1}$



Related to

**IASI Level 1 Cal/Val activities@ CNES**



- **GEISA (599-3001  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )** used as the reference spectroscopic database
- **Validation achieved using 4A/OP line by line Radiative Transfer Model** [Scott & Chédin, J.Appl.Met (1981); 4A/LMD <http://ara.lmd.polytechnique.fr>; 4A/OP co-developed by LMD and Noveltis with the support of CNES (2006)]



## [1] THE GEISA-2009 SYSTEM

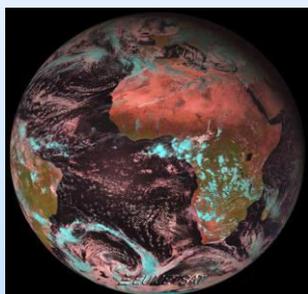
### Three SUB-DATABASES

#### ● Line transition parameters database

**50** molecules (**111** isotopic species)

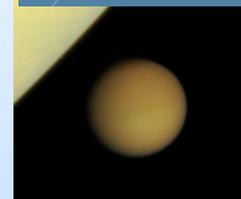
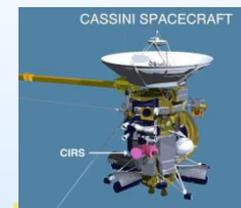
3,807,997 entries in the spectral range  $10^{-6}$  and  $35,877 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

- Major Permanent constituents of EARTH atmosphere :  $\text{O}_2, \text{H}_2\text{O}, \text{CO}_2 \dots$
- Trace molecules in the EARTH' atmosphere :  
 $\text{NO}, \text{SO}_2, \text{NO}_2, \text{NH}_3, \text{HNO}_3, \text{OH}, \text{HF}, \text{HCl}, \text{HBr}, \text{HI}, \text{ClO}, \text{OCS}, \text{H}_2\text{CO}, \text{PH}_3, \dots$
- Molecules in atmospheres of JUPITER, SATURN, URANUS, TITAN etc.:  
 $\text{CH}_6, \text{CH}_3\text{D}, \text{C}_2\text{H}_2, \text{C}_2\text{H}_4, \text{GeH}_4, \text{HCN}, \text{C}_3\text{H}_8, \text{C}_3\text{H}_4$



(MSG-2 25/01/06)

EARTH



(CASSINI-HUYGENS 29/01/06)

TITAN

#### ● Absorption cross-sections database

- IR: 43 molecular species (mainly CFC's)
- UV/Visible : 19 molecular species

#### ● Aerosol data archive and softwares

MANAGEMENT  
SOFTWARES  
For each Sub-database

# [1] GEISA-09 Line Transitions Records



252 characters Record

31 Parameters

Standardized parameter missing values in GEISA-09

- (A) Wavenumber ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of the line associated with the vibro-rotational transition.
- (B) Intensity of the line ( $\text{cm molecule}^{-1}$  at 296K).
- (C) Lorentzian collision halfwidth ( $\text{cm}^{-1} \text{atm}^{-1}$  at 296K).
- (D) Energy of the lower transition level ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ).
- (E) Transition quantum identifications for the lower and upper levels of the transition
- (F) Temperature dependence coefficient  $n$  of the halfwidth
- (G) Identification code for isotope.
- (I) Identification code for molecule.
- (J) Internal GEISA code for data identification.

Extended format length

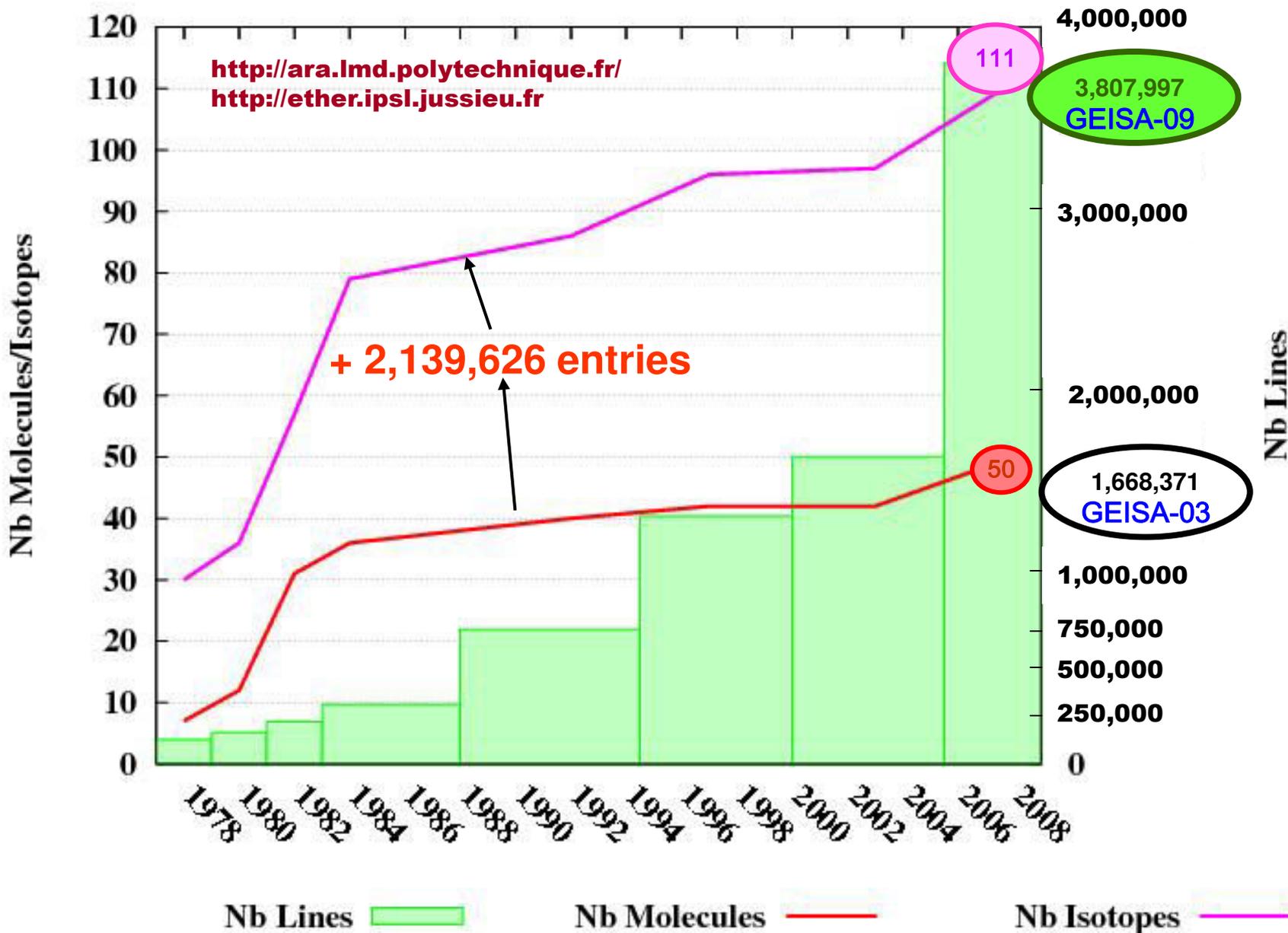
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Fortran descriptor	F12.6	1PD11.4	0PF6.4	F10.4	A25	A25	A15	A15	F4.2	I	I3	A3	I2	I1

M	N	O
10	5	8
1PE10.3	0PF7.4	F9.6

- (M) Einstein A-coefficient
- (N) Self broadening pressure halfwidth (HWHM) ( $\text{cm}^{-1} \text{atm}^{-1}$ ) at 296K
- (O) Air pressure shift of the line transition ( $\text{cm}^{-1} \text{atm}^{-1}$ ) at 296K

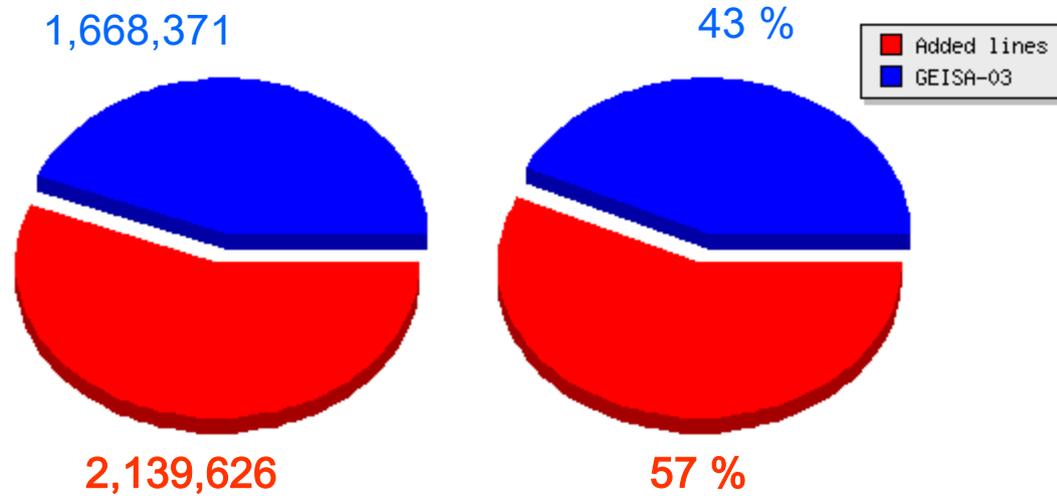
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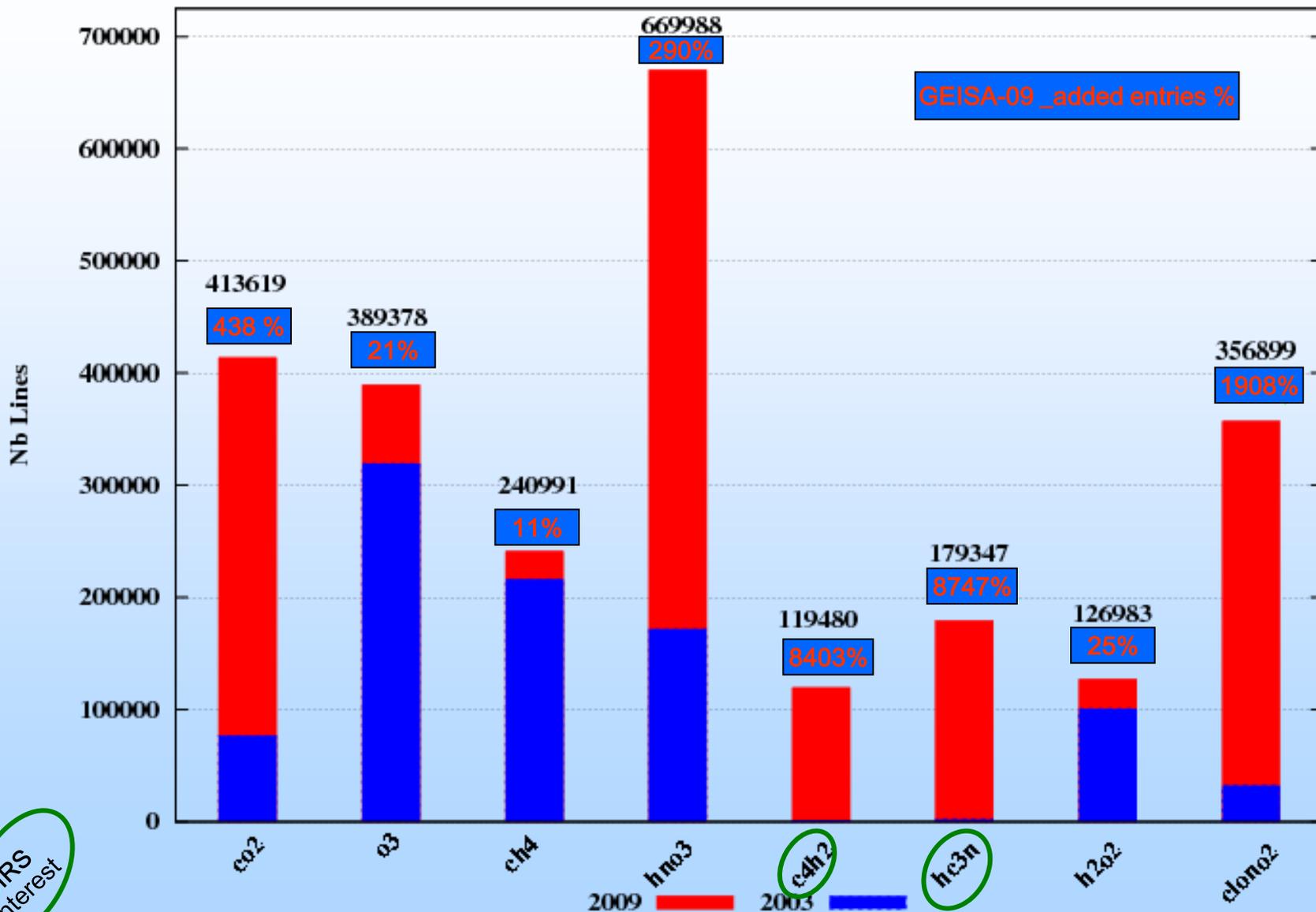


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## GEISA-09 3,807,997 LINES



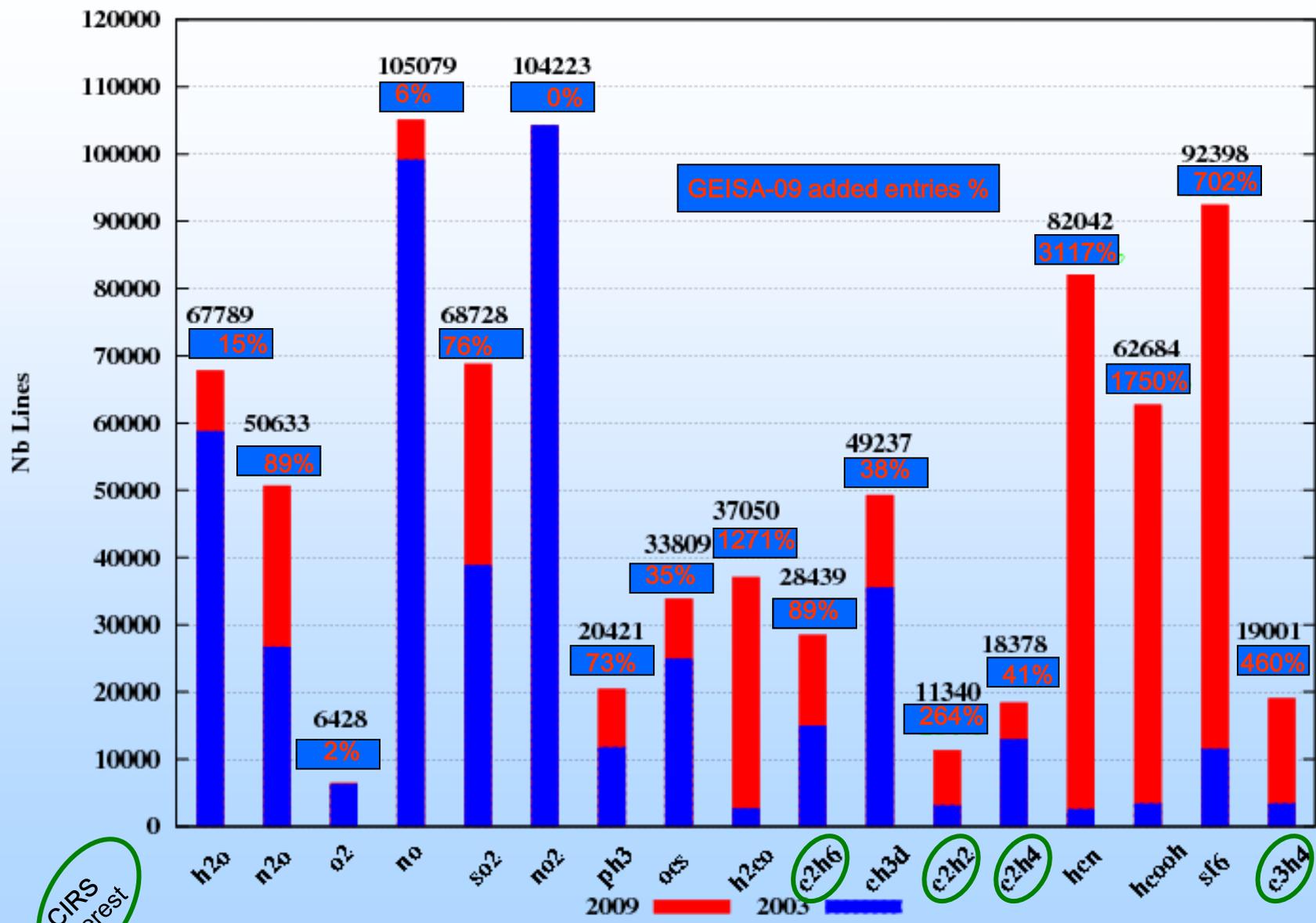
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CIRS interest

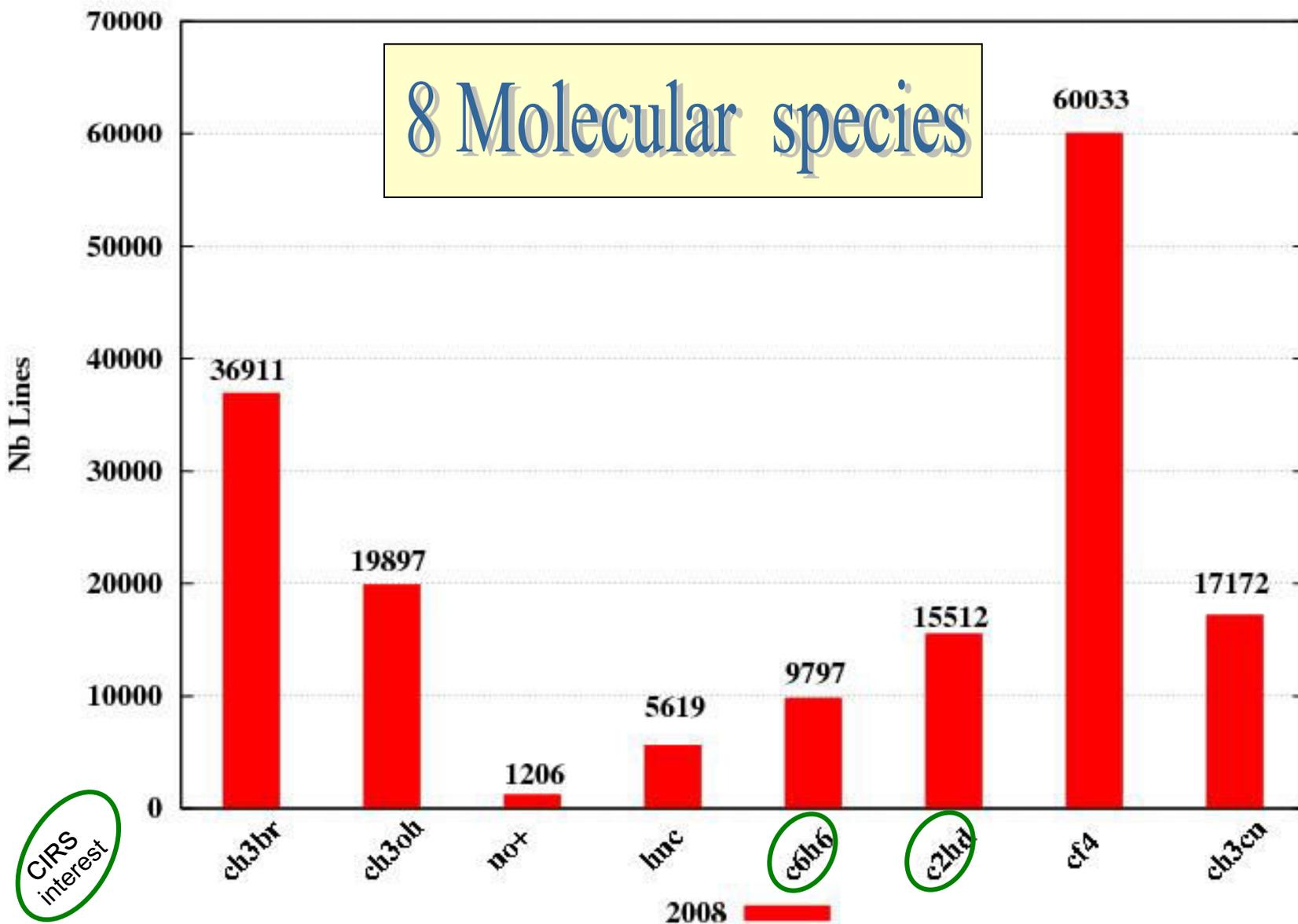
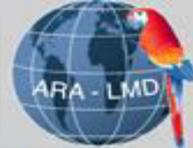


# [2] GEISA-09 # LINES EVOLUTION SINCE 2003 for UPDATED MOLECULES (following)



CIRS interest

# [2] NEW MOLECULAR SPECIES for GEISA-09



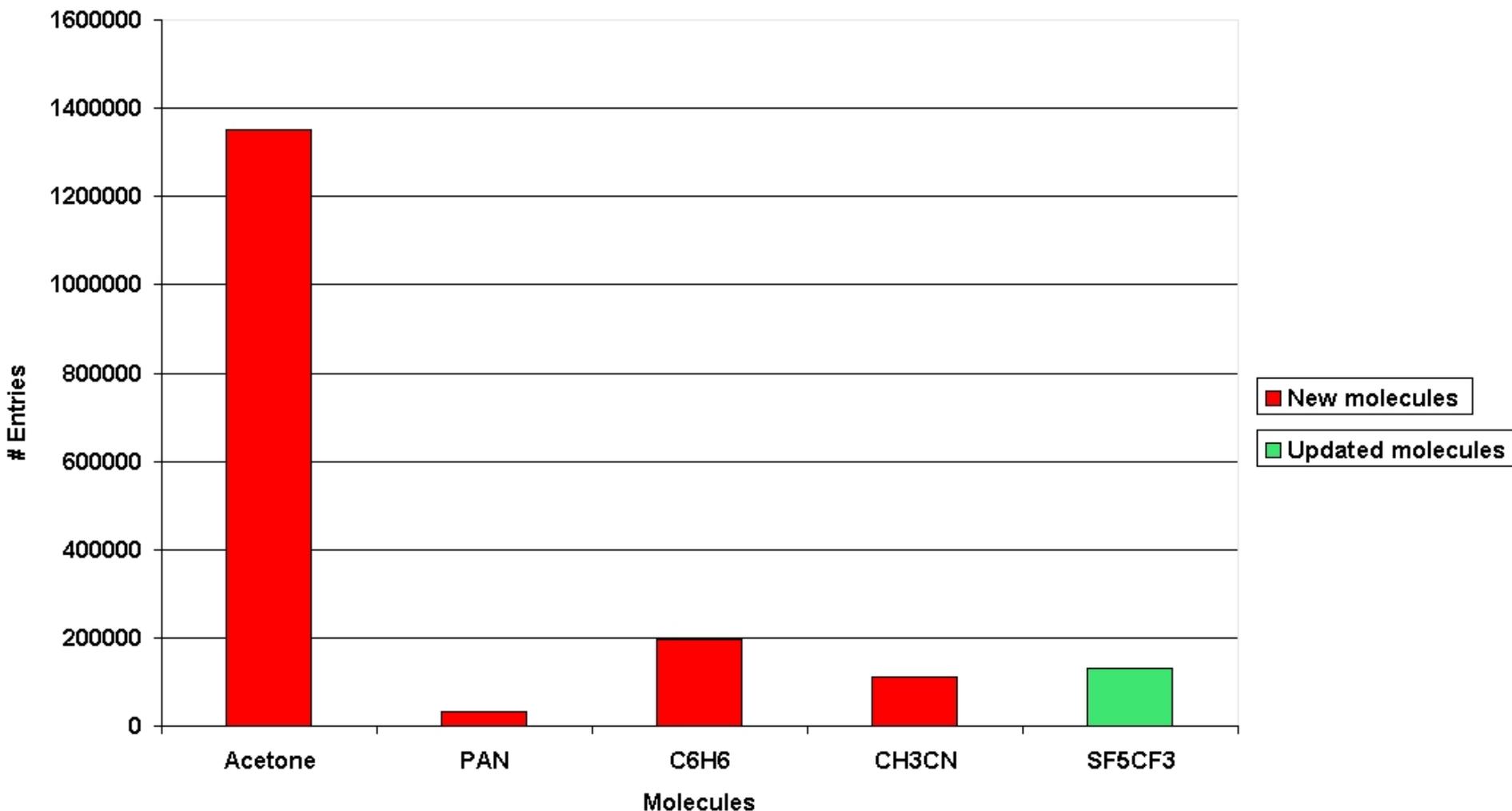
# [2] GEISA-09 IR CROSS-SECTIONS UPDATE

(molecular species update)



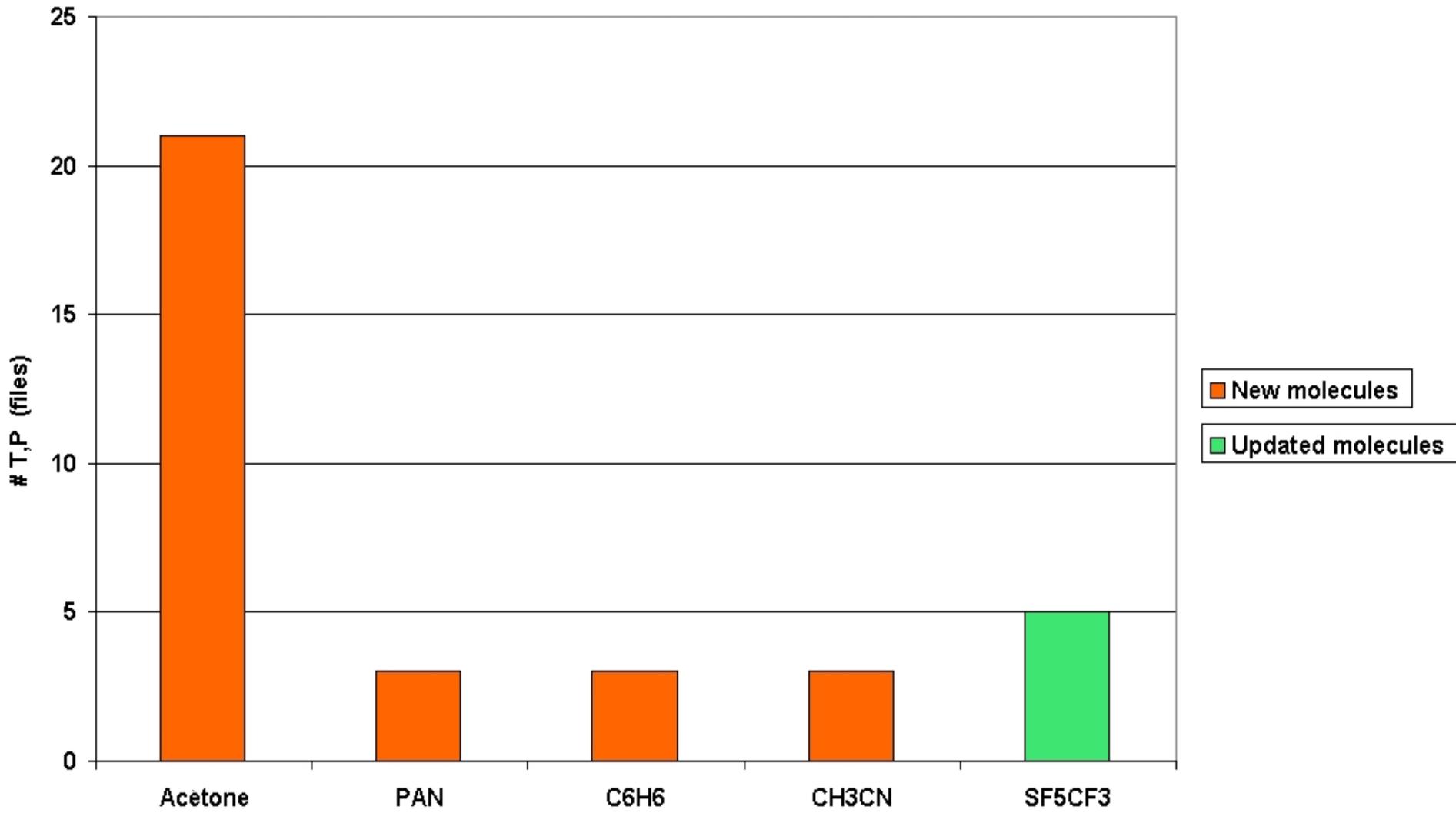
➤ 4 new molecular species: Acetone, PAN, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>CN

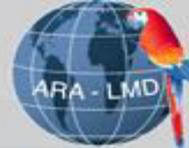
➤ 5 additives files for SF<sub>5</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>



# [2] GEISA-09 IR CROSS-SECTIONS UPDATE

(# new T,P couples)





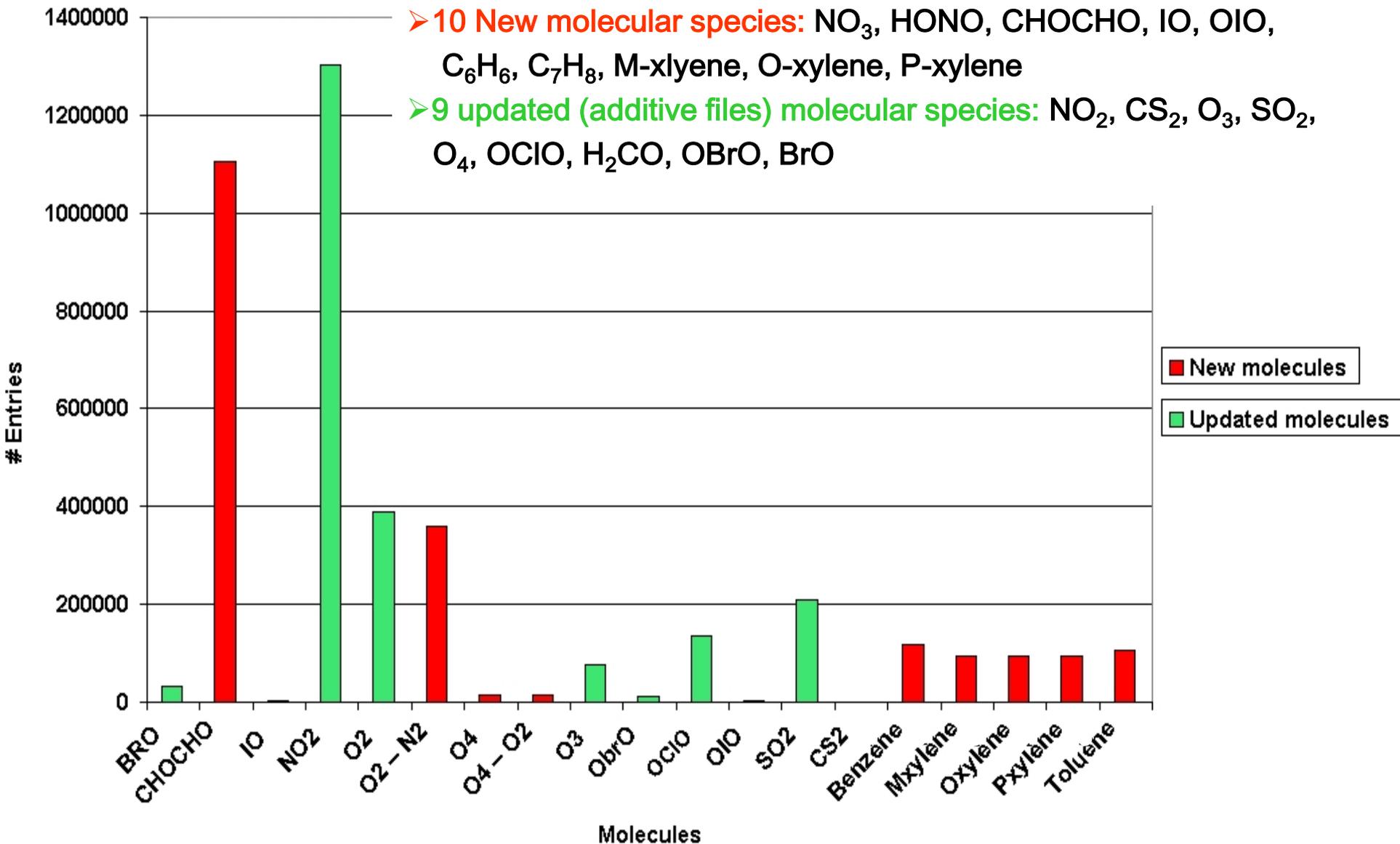
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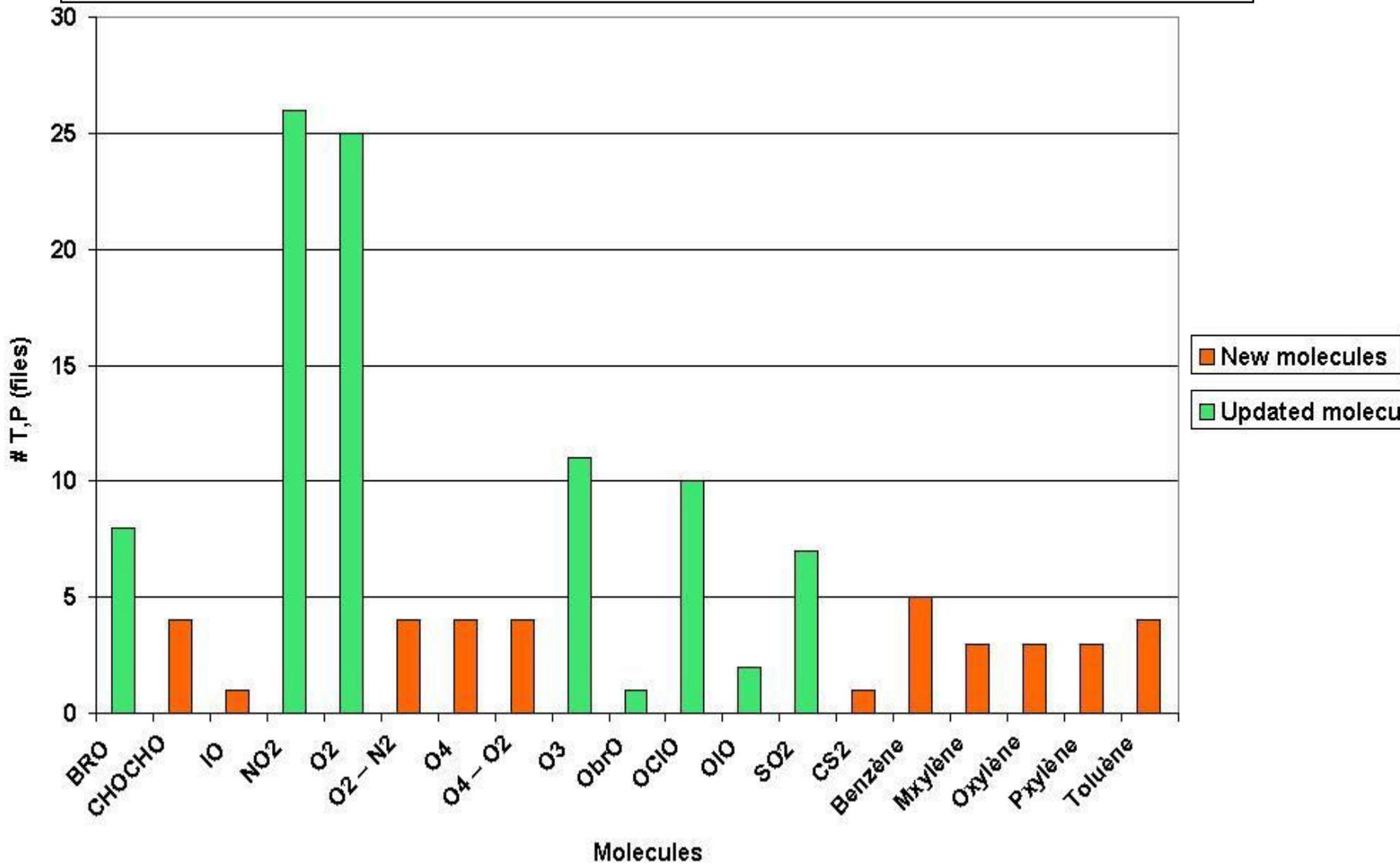
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION**

# [2] GEISA-09 UV/VIS CROSS-SECTIONS UPDATE (molecular species update)



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## [# new (T,P) couples]



## [3] FROM GEISA-09 TO GEISA/IASI-09

### Individual spectral lines spectroscopic parameters sub-database

Extraction of GEISA-09 in the spectral range 599 & 3001  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

20 molecules (66 isotopic species):

$\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{O}_2$ ,  $\text{NO}$ ,  $\text{SO}_2$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$ ,  $\text{HNO}_3$ ,  $\text{OCS}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ ,  $\text{N}_2$ ,  
 $\text{HCN}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$ ,  $\text{HCOOH}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}$

### IR absorption cross-sections sub-database (mainly CFC's)

6 molecular species: CFC-11, CFC-12, CFC-14,  $\text{CCl}_4$ ,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_5$ , HCFC-22

PAN (peroxyacetyl nitrate)

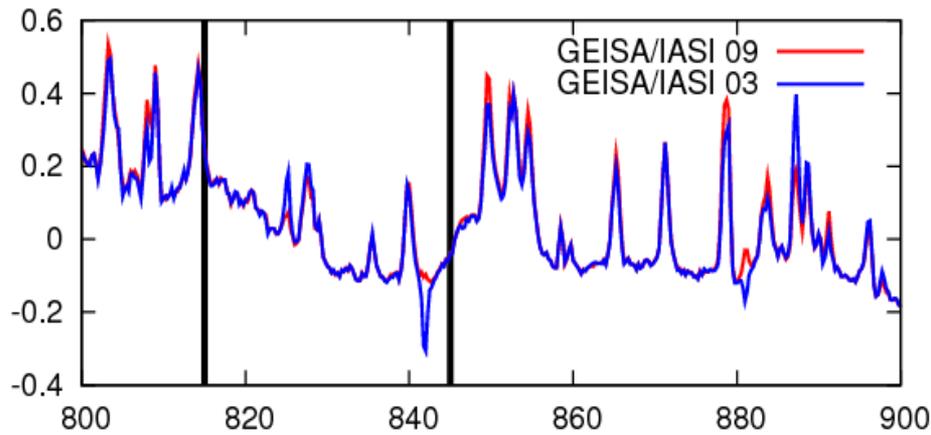
### Microphysical and optical properties of Basic Atmospheric aerosol components sub-database

### Continuous update

### Related with: IASI measurement capabilities assessment

*Associated interest for AIRS*

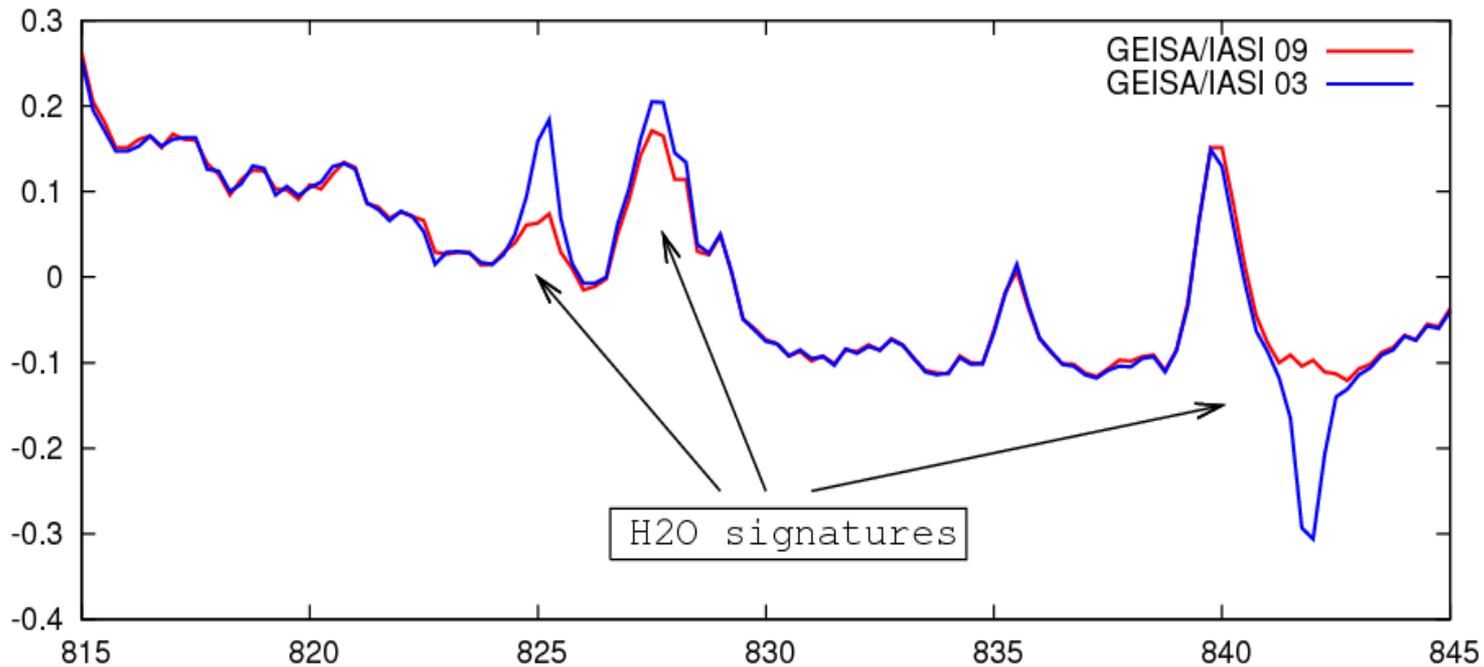
# [4] Use of IASI data and 4A/OP for the Validation of the New Spectroscopy of GEISA-09



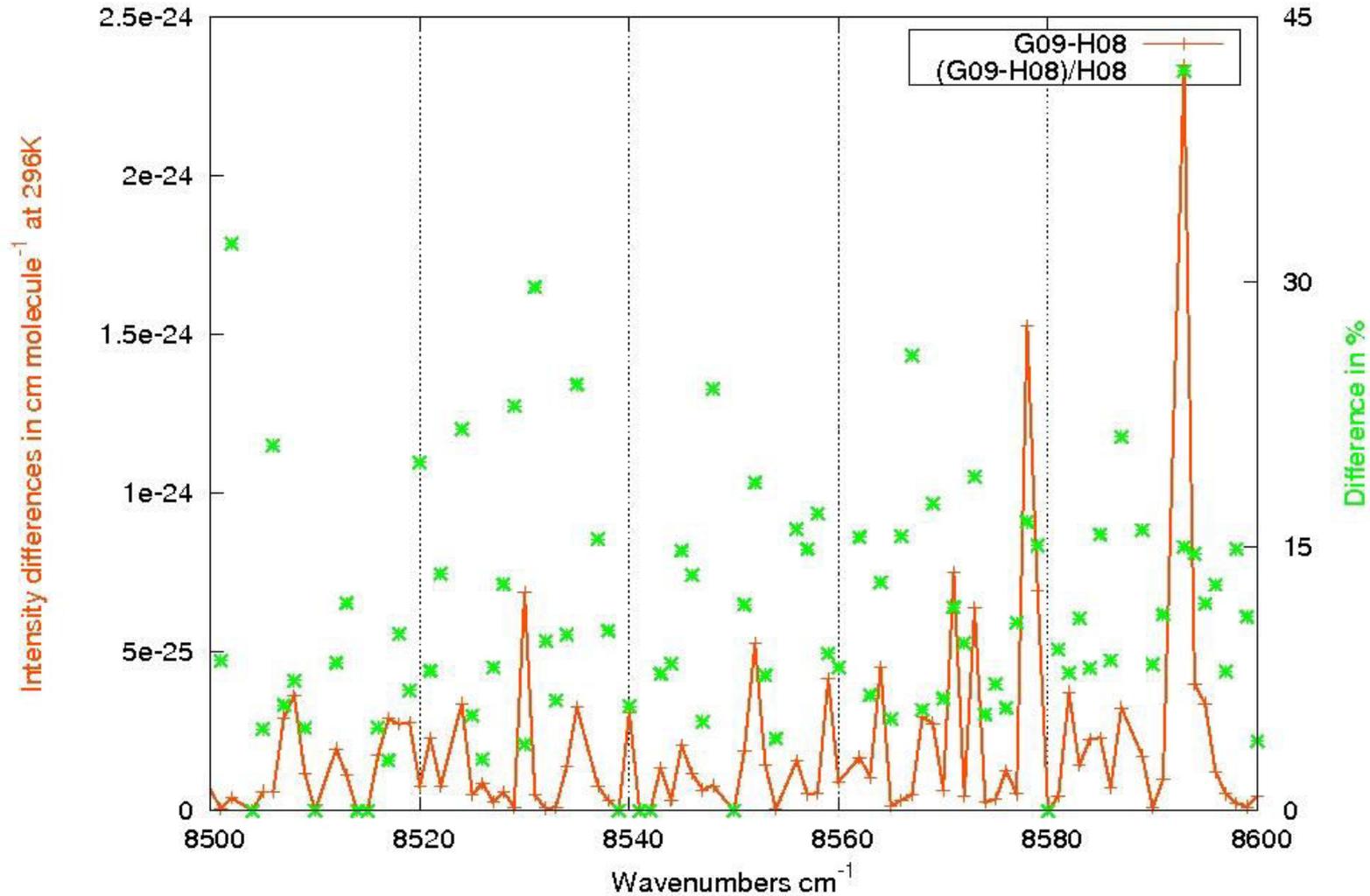
➤ Instrument : IASI (2007/07 → 2009/11)

➤ Collocations (300 km, 3 hours) of clear IASI observations with radiosoundings from the ARSA database

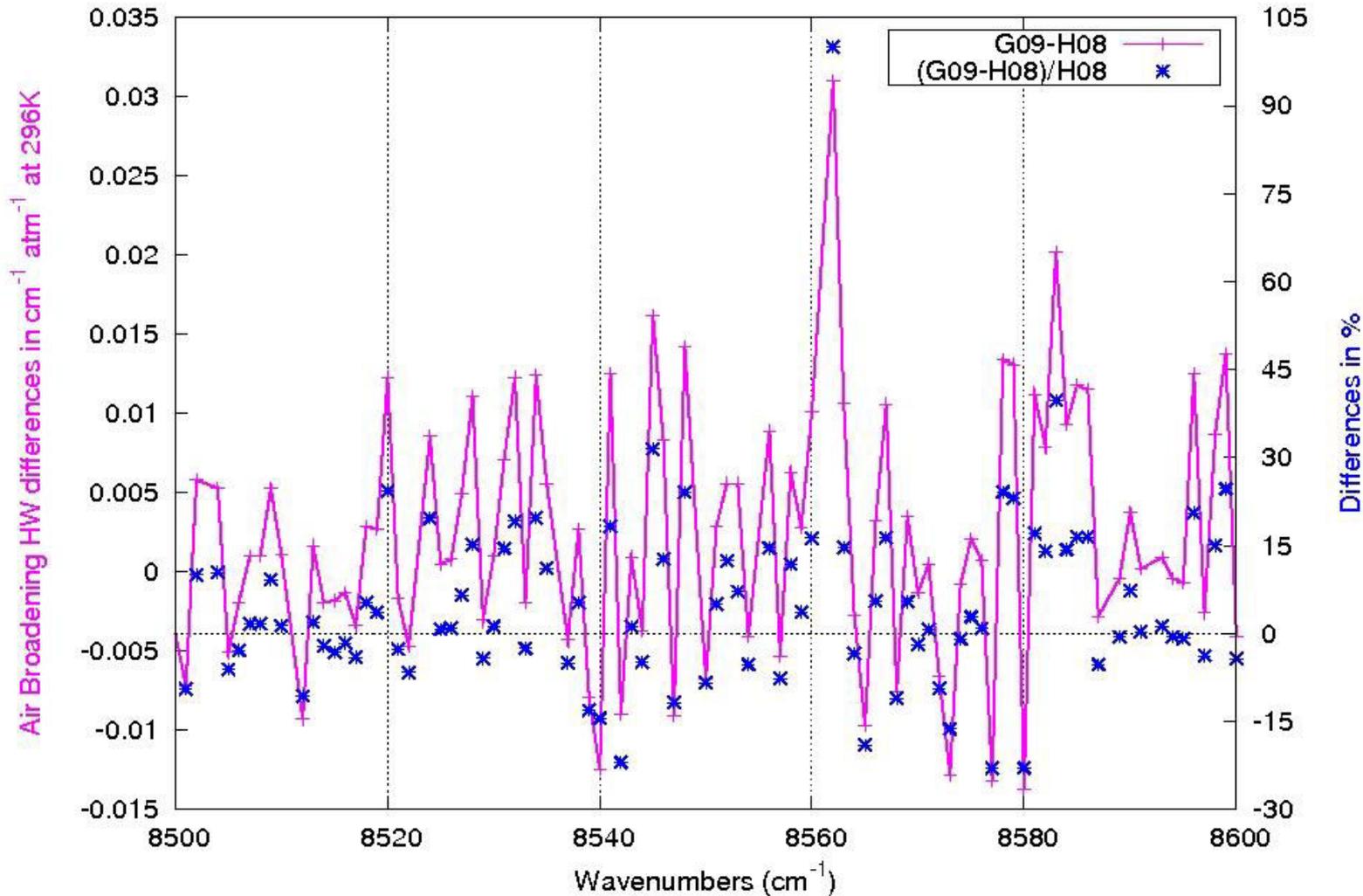
➤ Statistics for sea, night, tropical atmospheres of the differences « simulated vs observed »



## [4] HITRAN-08 VS GEISA-09 INTENSITY DIFFERENCES



## [4] HITRAN-08 VS GEISA-09 AIR-BROADENING HW DIFFERENCES



## [5] CONCLUSIONS FROM THE 2nd INTERNATIONAL IASI CONFERENCE, SEVRIER, France, 25-29 JANUARY 2010



### General Spectroscopic Requirement to achieve Forward Model accuracies required for retrievals from IASI and future sounders

Considering the still existing Spectroscopy issues, the following already ongoing specific actions have to be reinforced and maintained:

❖ **Necessary validation:** Assessment in GEISA/IASI of:

spectroscopic molecular species related to IASI trace gas retrievals:

HCN, NH<sub>3</sub>, HCOOH, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>OH, H<sub>2</sub>CO.

cross-sections: CFC-11, CFC-12, CFC-14, CCl<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, HCFC-22 and especially PAN.

❖ **The still outstanding general spectroscopy-related conclusions for public databases, from ISSWG -30, June-2 July 2008, CNES, Paris, France-, to be considered:**

Comparison with HITRAN and GEISA, in particular for water vapour, and real IASI spectra, compared to simulations with ECMWF provided radiosondes, lead to the conclusion that:

in particular water vapour needs to be validated, and the continuum reinvestigated.

IASI related spectroscopy problems with H<sub>2</sub>O and CO<sub>2</sub> as first priority

❖ **Line coupling/mixing modelling**, (which should be used in conjunction with the molecular parameters of the data base from which they have been derived) and **non-LTE** (Local Thermodynamic Equilibrium) effects are areas to be urgently investigated.



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# [6] GEISA ETHER DISTRIBUTION

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### New proposal activities

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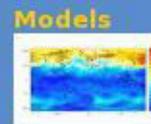
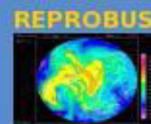
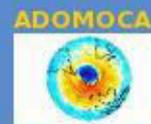
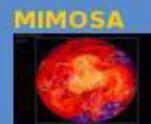
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### Data



### Services



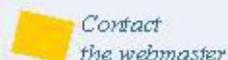
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