

### Historical papers "p-process"

B<sup>2</sup>FH (1957) Arnould (1976) Woosley & Howard (1978) Main goal: explanation of Mo nucleosynthetic origin in X-type SiC grains, and SS <sup>92</sup>Mo/<sup>94</sup>Mo

#### Selected subsequent papers / scenarios

Hoffman et al. (1996, 2008) Schatz et al. (1998, 2003) Rauscher et al. (2002) Fisker et al., (2006) Wanajo (2006) Wanajo et al. (2009) Kusakabe et al. (2010) Kizivat et al. (2010) Travaglio et al. (2010) v-driven winds in SN II rp-process in X-ray bursters γ-process in pre-SN and SN vp-process in SN II rp-process in v-driven winds p-production in EC SN p-production in C-deflag. SN Ia vp-process in GRB-BH accretion disk p-process in SN Ia

Why an additional attempt...?

As "by-product" of our current core-collapse HEW r-process studies...

(see, e.g. Farouqi et al., Ap.J. 694 (2009); and Ap.J. 712 (2010)

#### Motivated by

- discussions with R. Gallino and C. Travaglio about the "LEPP" idea
- discussions with U. Ott and A. Davis about isotopic anomalies in SiC grains
- basic v-driven wind paper by R. Hoffman et al. (1996)
- ...nature seems to disagree with all models the one or other way O

Closer look into our HEW results for the production of light trans-Fe nuclei, historically designated as pure

"p-isotopes" "s-isotopes" "r-isotopes"

(see Farouqi et al., PASA 26 (2009) 194 - 202)

### Mo isotopic abundances in the SS

			Lodders (2003)	De Laeter (2008)
Particularly "hot topic"		<sup>92</sup> Mo	14.836	14.525
	<sup>92</sup> MO/ <sup>94</sup> MO	<sup>94</sup> Mo	9.247	9.151
The two most abundant p-nuclei in the SS		<sup>92</sup> Mo/ <sup>94</sup> Mo	1.605	1.587

...despite all attempts / scenarios studied up to now,

<sup>92</sup>Mo/<sup>94</sup>Mo has remained an "unsolved problem"



Note, however:

SS represents a **compound** of various nucleosynthesis processes! Therefore, it may not be the "ideal observable"...

Are there better ones? YES!

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#### M.J. Pellin et al., Lunar and Planetary Science XXXVII (2006) 2041:

**Presolar SiC grains**, isolated from primitive meteorites, are ejecta of stars that contributed to the protosolar nebula. Due to SiC's refractory nature, these grains have survived SS formation to provide a record of the nuclear processing in their parent stars.

Among these grains are a rare fraction, called **Type-X**, which are believed to have formed in the stellar outflows of SN II explosions.

Surprisingly, the isotopic patterns are not consistent with a canonical r-process, but rather correspond to models producing a rapid, but limited neutron dose:

B. S. Meyer et al., ApJ 540 (2000) L49 – "neutron burst process";

T. Rauscher et al., ApJ 576 (2002) 323 – "gamma process".

Both models are **secondary** processes starting from an initial SS seed distribution.

<sup>×</sup>Mo deviation plotted relative to <sup>96</sup>Mo, which is taken as pure s-process isotope ⇒ "unusual isotopic pattern" significant enrichment in <sup>95</sup>Mo, <sup>97</sup>Mo; smaller enrichment in <sup>98</sup>Mo; no clear signature of <sup>100</sup>Mo enhancement.

 $\boldsymbol{\delta}$  notation: deviation in permille from SS



### Parameters HEW model ⇒ Y(Z)



### Isotopic abundances Y(Z,A) as fct of entropy S



For  $Y_e = 0.466$ , S=115 is the threshold entropy, up to which  $Y_n/Y_{seed} < 1$ 



<sup>92</sup>Mo, <sup>94</sup>Mo, <sup>96</sup>Mo are solely produced in a <u>pure Charged-Particle</u> <u>Process</u>

#### The "neutron-burst model"

is the favoured nucleosynthesis scenario in the cosmochemistry community, so far applied to isotopic abundances of Mo, Zr, Xe, Ba, Pt

### **Basis:**

Howard et al., Meteoritics 27 (1992) "...neutron burst occurs in shocked He-rich matter in an exploding massive star..."

### Several steps:

- 1) start with SOLAR isotope distribution
- 2) exposure to a weak neutron fluence ( $\tau = 2 \cdot 10^{24} \text{ cm}^{-2} = 0.02 \text{ mbarn}^{-1}$ )
  - ➡ mimics weak s-processing during pre-SN phase
- 3) weak s-ashes (1500 g cm<sup>-3</sup>) heated suddenly to  $T_9=1.0$
- 4) expansion and cooling on 10 s hydrodynamical timescale
  - → resulting n-density (from (α,n) reactions) during burst ≈ 10<sup>17</sup> n cm<sup>-3</sup> for ≈1 s;
  - → final n-exposure 0.077 mbarn<sup>-1</sup>

### **Conclusion by authors:**

neutron-burst model can explain the "anomalous and quite puzzling" Mo isotopic pattern in SiC X-grains

### **Predictions of "neutron-burst" model**



Pure s- and r-process patterns definitely excluded!

### **Comparison with HEW predictions**

Although the "neutron-burst model" is traditionally applied by cosmochemists, it is unsatisfactory for several reasons:

- it contains already <sup>92</sup>Mo and <sup>94</sup>Mo in SS proportions in the initial seed
- it is in principle a "ternary" model
- it requires quite tricky astro-parameter finetuning

Let's see, if our parameterized HEW approach can **simultaneously** explain all 7 Mo isotopic abundances:

<sup>92</sup> Mo, <sup>94</sup> Mo	p-only
<sup>96</sup> Mo	s-only
<sup>100</sup> Mo	<b>r</b> -only
<sup>95,97,98</sup> Mo	s+r

#### To recapitulate:

Historically

In contrast to e.g. Hoffman et al., who used individual  $Y_e$  values (0.46  $\leq Y_e \leq 0.50$ ) with a single entropy of S/(N<sub>A</sub> k)  $\approx$  50, we use **superpositions** of different  $Y_e$ -trajectories (0.458  $\leq Y_e \leq 0.478$ ) combined with the corresponding S-components (5  $\leq$  S  $\leq$  100), to cover the full range of charged-particle nucleosynthesis conditions  $\Rightarrow Y_n/Y_{seed} < 1$ 

No neutron-capture r-process components.

### Mo 3-isotope plots







Definitely neither classical s nor classical r!

X-axis: <sup>96</sup>Mo/ <sup>97</sup>Mo

Y-axis: XYMo/ 97Mo

Molybdenum isotopic abundances in Pellin's presolar SiC X-grains

×Мо/ <sup>97</sup> Мо	Isotopic abundance ratios			
	SiC X-grains <sup>a)</sup>	This work <sup>b)</sup>	,n-burst' model <sup>c)</sup>	
<sup>92</sup> Mo/ <sup>97</sup> Mo	<b>&lt;10</b> <sup>-2</sup>	4.1*10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.43*10 <sup>-3</sup>	
<sup>94</sup> Mo/ <sup>97</sup> Mo	<10 <sup>-2</sup>	6.3*10 <sup>-3</sup>	3.27*10 <sup>-4</sup>	
<sup>95</sup> Mo/ <sup>97</sup> Mo	2.1	3.12	1.539	
<sup>96</sup> Mo/ <sup>97</sup> Mo	0.12	4.77*10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.02*10 <sup>-2</sup>	
<sup>98</sup> Mo/ <sup>97</sup> Mo	1.2	0.950	0.382	
<sup>100</sup> Mo/ <sup>97</sup> Mo	0.25	0.225	9.55*10 <sup>-2</sup>	

- <sup>a)</sup> M.J. Pellin et al., LPSC 37 (2006) 2041
- <sup>b)</sup> K. Farouqi et al., PASA 26 (2009) 194
- <sup>c)</sup> B.S. Meyer et al., ApJ 540 (2000) L49

#### Summary

We confirm,

p-, s- and r-isotopes in the light trans-Fe region are co-produced in the v-driven wind of core-collaps type II supernovae

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As select examples,

- the HEW scenario can provide a consistent picture for all seven Mo isotopic abundances in Pellin's presolar X-type SiC-grains
- it can also reproduce the  $^{92}$ Mo/  $^{94}$ Mo SS ratio of  $~\approx$  1.6 for Ye = 0.47 the predicted mass of  $^{92}$ Mo per SN event is about 2.6\*10<sup>-8</sup> M\_{\odot}

#### "Best" HEW conditions

superpositions of components  $0.46 \le Y_e \le 0.48$  with  $S \le 100$  $\Rightarrow Y_n/Y_{seed} < 1$  primary charged-particle process after α-rich freezeout; no n-capture component !

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### The OLD "neutron-burst" model

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#### MOLYBDENUM AND ZIRCONIUM ISOTOPES FROM A SUPERNOVA NEUTRON BURST

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#### ABSTRACT

We analyze the nucleosynthesis implications of the recent discovery by M. J. Pellin and collaborators that two odd isotopes of molybdenum, <sup>95</sup>Mo and <sup>97</sup>Mo, are overabundant in type X SiC grains: X grains condensed within expanding supernova interiors. We find that a rapid release of neutrons (on a timescale of seconds) with fluence  $\tau = 0.07-0.08$  neutrons mbarn<sup>-1</sup> produces the observed pattern by way of abundant production of progenitor radioactive Zr isotopes. This suggests that the condensing matter was in a supernova shell in which rapid burning was occurring at the time of ejection, probably owing to the passage of the shock wave from the core. Which shell, and the exact source of the neutrons, is still unknown, but we present a model based on the shock of an He shell.

Subject headings: dust, extinction - nuclear reactions, nucleosynthesis, abundances - supernovae: general

The isotopic patterns discovered by Pellin et al. (1999, 2000) are anomalous and quite puzzling. In particular, four X grains show large excesses in  $^{95}$ Mo and  $^{97}$ Mo without similarly large excesses in  $^{100}$ Mo. Such an isotopic pattern differs from that derived from either the pure *r*- or *s*-process;  $^{96}$ Mo and  $^{98}$ Mo excesses would prevail in pure *s*-process matter, while the largest excess would be at  $^{100}$ Mo for pure *r*-process matter. The X grains show neither of these patterns.

### Isotopic abundance ratios: SS vs. HEW

HEW model-inherently weighted superposition of different  $Y_e$ -trajectories (0.46  $\leq Y_e \leq 0.48$ ) with corresponding S-components (5  $\leq$  S  $\leq$  100);

Y<sub>n</sub>/Y<sub>seed</sub> < 1

⇒

charged-particle component of HEW; no neutron-capture contribution !

## **Consistent picture?**

Typical yields ( $M_{o}$ ) for $Y_{e}$ = 0.47			
<sup>64</sup> Zn	5.6*10 <sup>-5</sup>	<sup>78</sup> Kr	4.0*10 <sup>-8</sup>
<sup>70</sup> Ge	8.9*10 <sup>-6</sup>	<sup>84</sup> Sr	1.2*10 <sup>-8</sup>
<sup>74</sup> Se	5.4*10 <sup>-8</sup>	<sup>92</sup> Mo	2.6*10 <sup>-8</sup>

Isotopic pairs	Isotopic abundance ratios		
(nucleosynth. origin)	Solar System	HEW	
<sup>64</sup> Zn( <b>p</b> ) / <sup>70</sup> Zn(r)	78.4	79.4	
<sup>70</sup> Ge( <b>s,p</b> ) / <sup>76</sup> Ge( <b>r</b> )	2.84	4.61	
<sup>74</sup> Se( <b>p</b> ) / <sup>76</sup> Se(s)	9.4*10 <sup>-2</sup>	9*10 <sup>-2</sup>	
<sup>74</sup> Se( <b>p</b> ) / <sup>82</sup> Se( <b>r</b> )	0.101	0.113	
<sup>78</sup> Kr( <b>p</b> ) / <sup>86</sup> Kr( <b>r,s</b> )	2.1*10 <sup>-2</sup>	8*10 <sup>-4</sup>	
<sup>84</sup> Sr( <b>p</b> ) / <sup>86</sup> Sr( <mark>s</mark> )	5.7*10 <sup>-2</sup>	4*10 <sup>-2</sup>	
<sup>90</sup> Sr( <b>s,r</b> ) / <sup>96</sup> Zr( <b>r,s</b> )	18.4	5.56	
<sup>92</sup> Mo( <b>p</b> ) / <sup>94</sup> Mo( <b>p</b> )	1.60	1.86	
<sup>96</sup> Ru( <b>p</b> ) / <sup>98</sup> Ru( <b>p</b> )	2.97	2.57	

### New observables for Mo

# Presolar SiC grains (sub-micron size)

measured with NanoSIMS or RIMS



Fig. 1. SEM images of (a) agglomerate-like grains and (b) single mainstream SiCs measured in the present study. Note that the agglomerate-like grains may consist of very fine submicron-size SiC grains; but see also discussion in the text.

From: Marhas, Ott & Hoppe, MPS 42 (2007)<sup>17</sup>

From Sr – Zr

#### to Mo – Pd different behaviour ?

	Y(Z) as fct of entropy. S				
	10≤S ≤50	50≤S ≤100	100≤S ≤150	150≤S ≤200	200≤S ≤250
<sub>38</sub> Sr	80%	18%	2.3%	0.3%	0.01%
<sub>39</sub> Y	61%	37%	1.3%	0.3%	0.02%
<sub>40</sub> Zr	22%	67%	11%	0.35%	0.01%
<sub>42</sub> Mo	0.7%	44%	53%	2.7%	0.05%
<sub>44</sub> Ru	5·10 <sup>-6</sup> %	12%	77%	11%	0.09%
<sub>46</sub> Pd	/	4.6%	74%	22%	0.2%
α-process		n-rich $\alpha$ - freezeout			
βdn-		βdn-recapt	weak comp.	main comp. r-process	
uncorrelated with Eu			correlate	ed with E	u

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#### Hoffman et al. ApJ 460 (1996)

"normalized production factors"  $X_{ej}/X_{\odot} = f(Y_e)$ individual  $Y_e$ 's; S/(N<sub>A</sub>k)  $\approx$  50

"No initial abundances of r- or s-process seed need be invoked, ⇒ this component of the p-process is primary rather than secondary."





### Our approach (HEW 2009)

first step – individual Y<sub>e</sub>'s; superposition of S-components (S  $\leq$  100) second step – superposition of Y<sub>e</sub>-traject. (0.46  $\leq$  Y<sub>e</sub>  $\leq$  0.48) plus superposition of correspond. S-components

▲ total Y<sub>e</sub> – S parameter range

