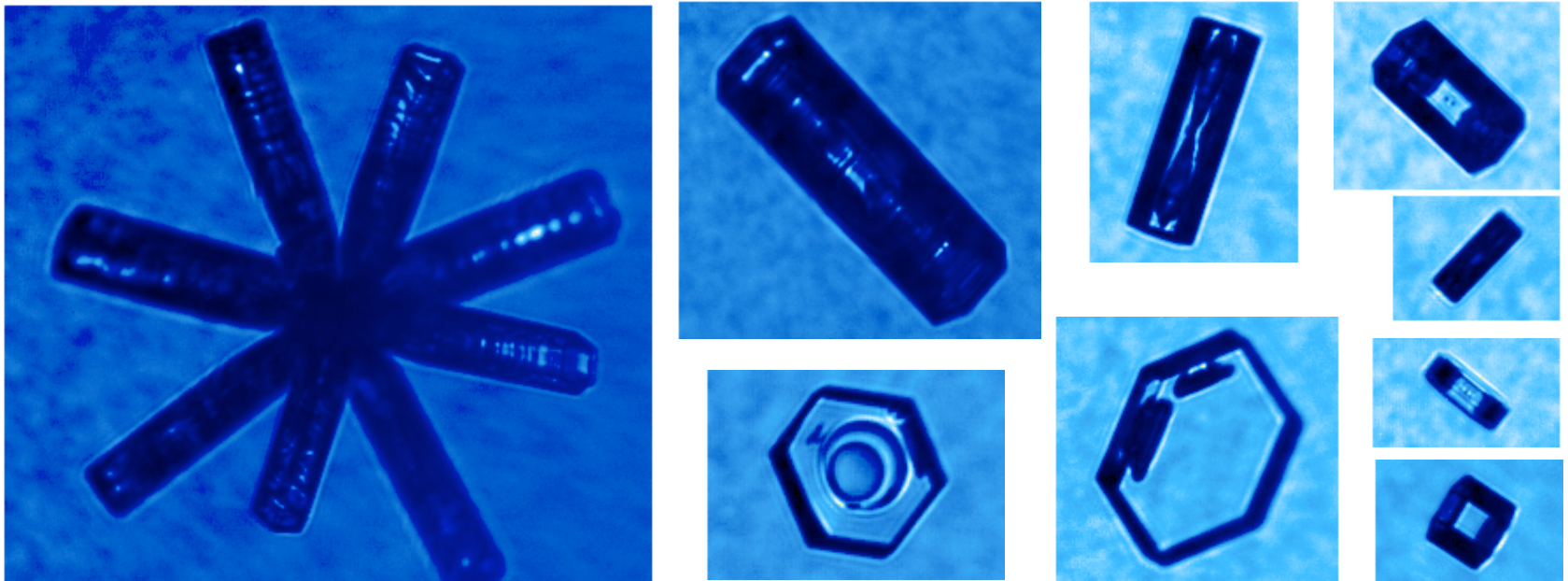


# Aspect ratios of natural ice crystals from in-situ observations



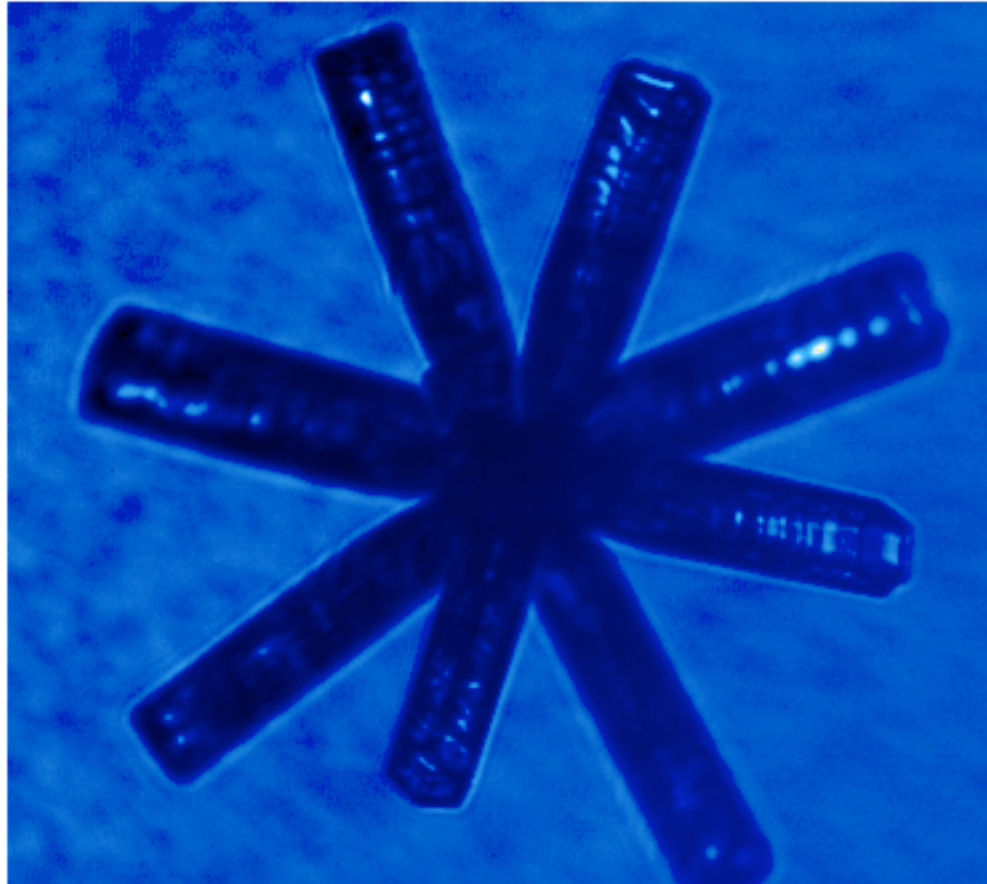
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# Overview

- **Ice Crystal Ruler (IC-Ruler) measures dimensions of ice crystals was developed**
- **Dimensions of columns, plates, and individual branches of bullet rosettes from CPI images**
  - **2006 TWP-ICE, Tropics**
  - **2008 ISDAC, Arctic**
  - **2010 SPARTICUS, mid-latitudes**
- **What controls aspect ratio of ice crystal?**
- **Systemic difference between geophysical locations?**

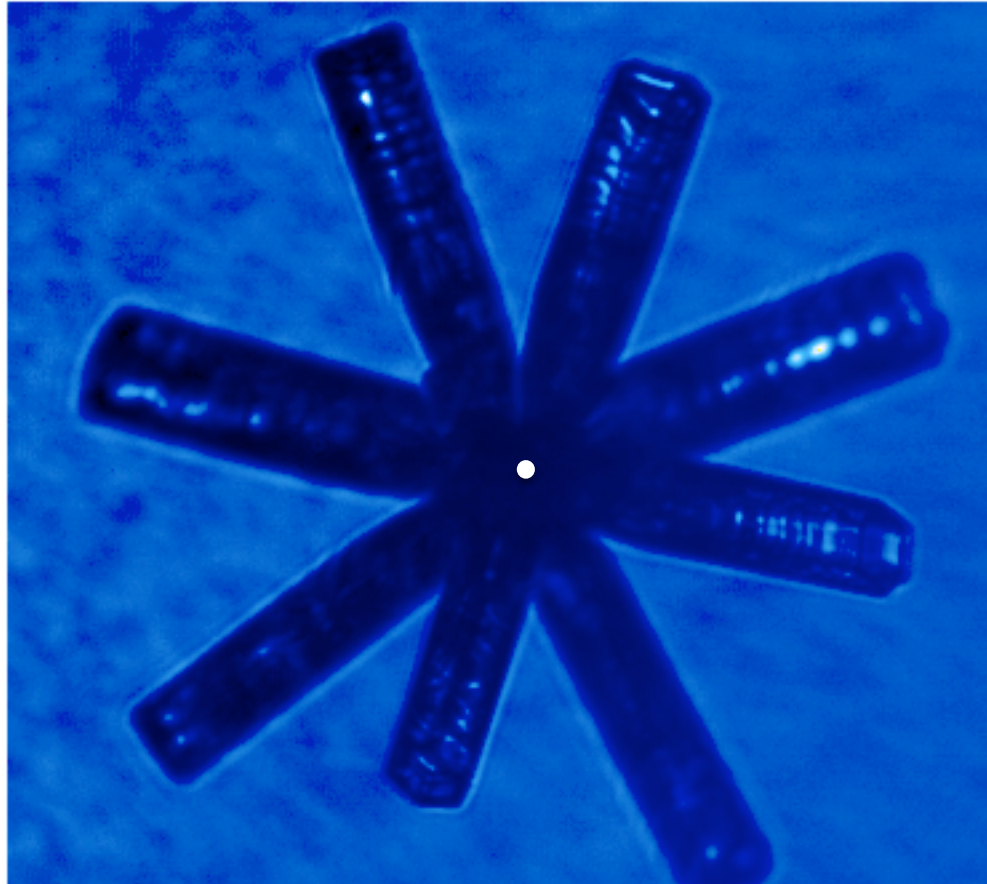
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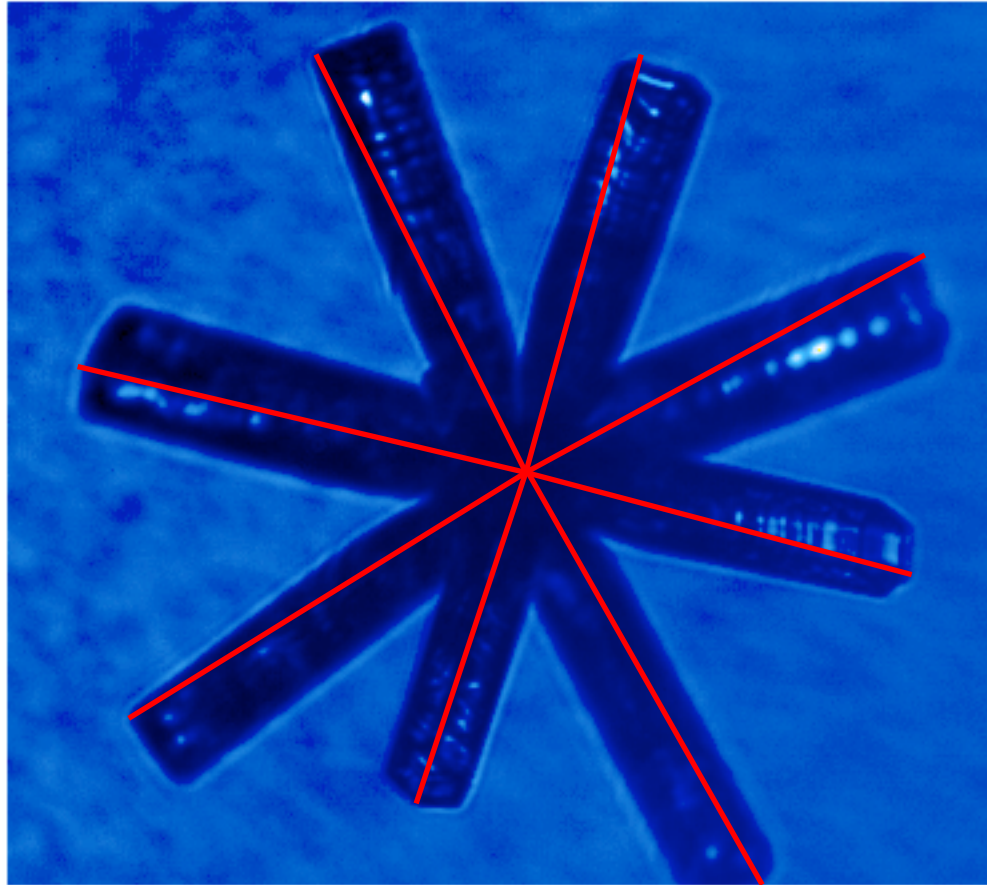
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**Identifying center**

# Ice Crystal Ruler (IC-Ruler)

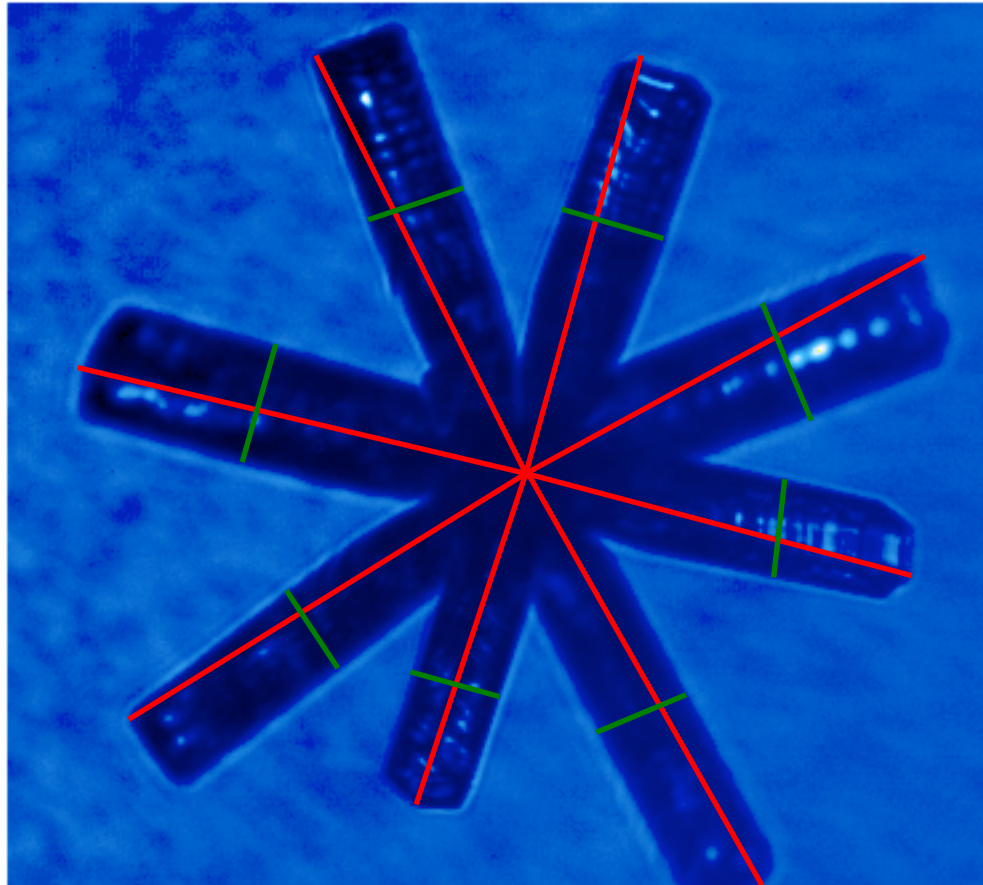
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➤ **Projected maximum dimension ( $D'$ )**

# Ice Crystal Ruler (IC-Ruler)

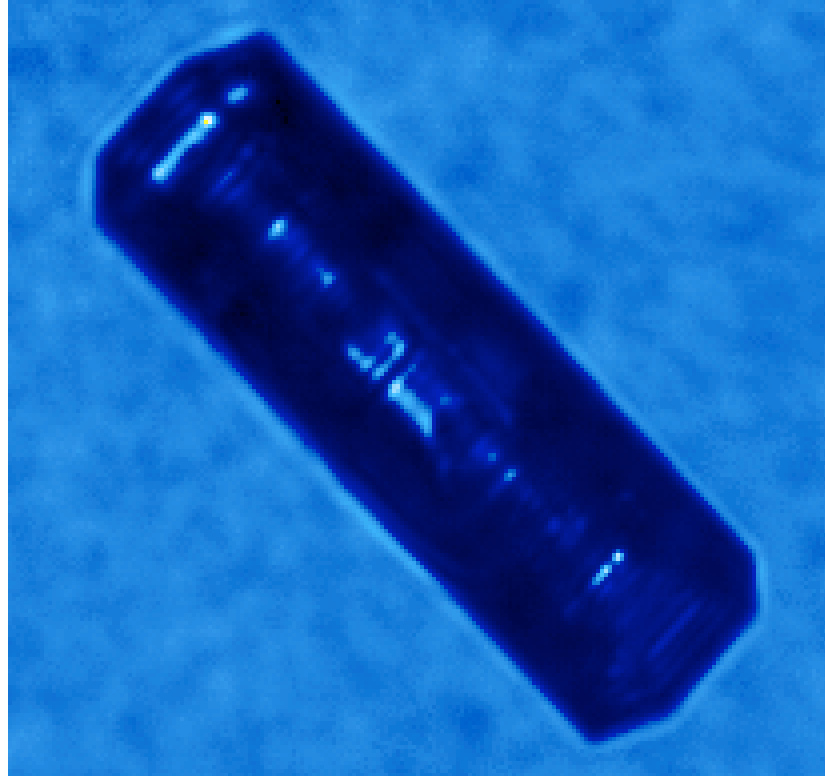
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- **Projected maximum dimension ( $D'$ )**
- **Projected width ( $W'$ )**

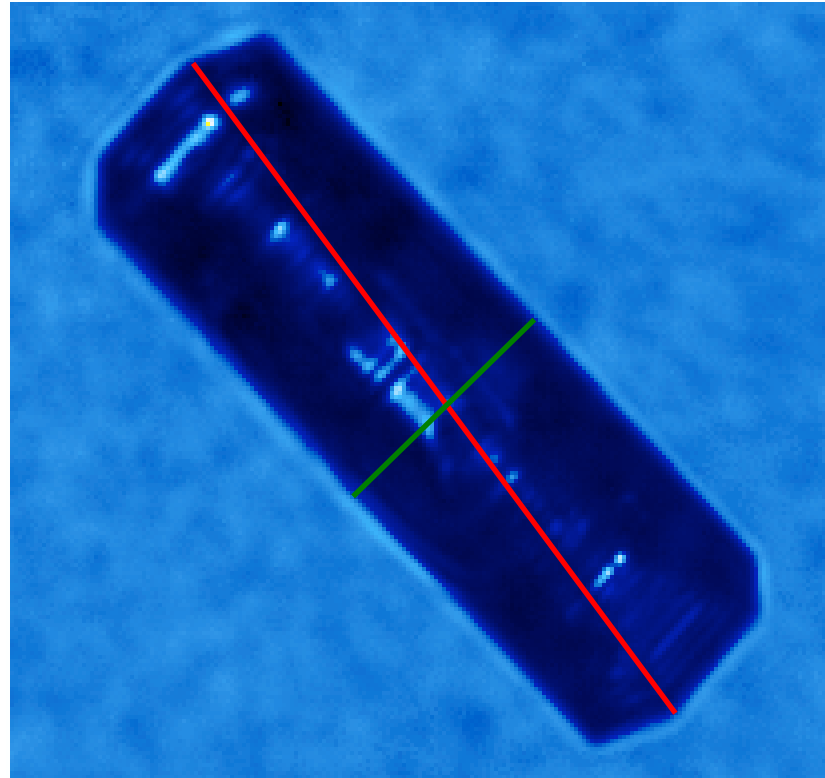
# Ice Crystal Ruler (IC-Ruler)

Column



# Ice Crystal Ruler (IC-Ruler)

## Column

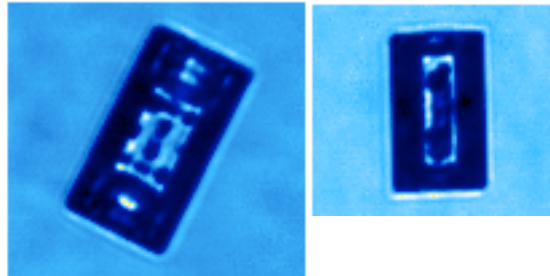
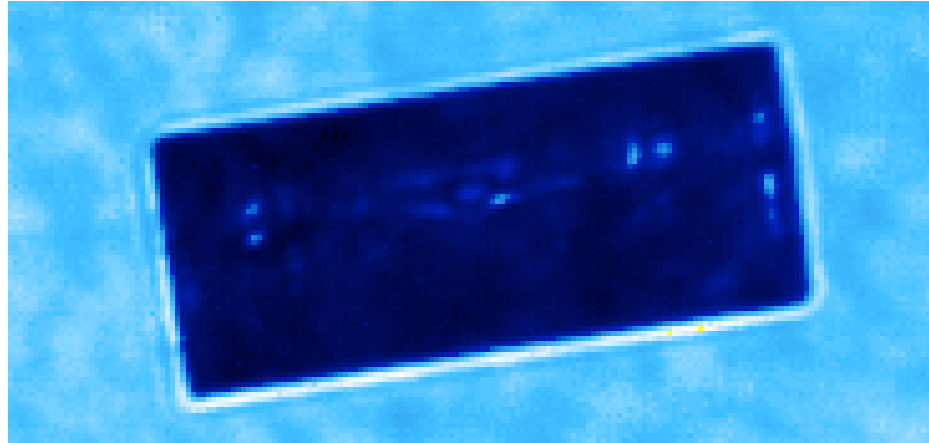


- **Projected maximum dimension ( $D'$ )**
- **Projected width ( $W'$ )**



# Ice Crystal Ruler (IC-Ruler)

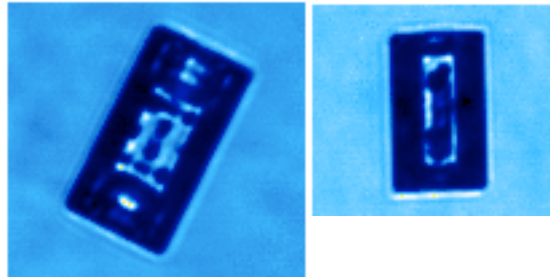
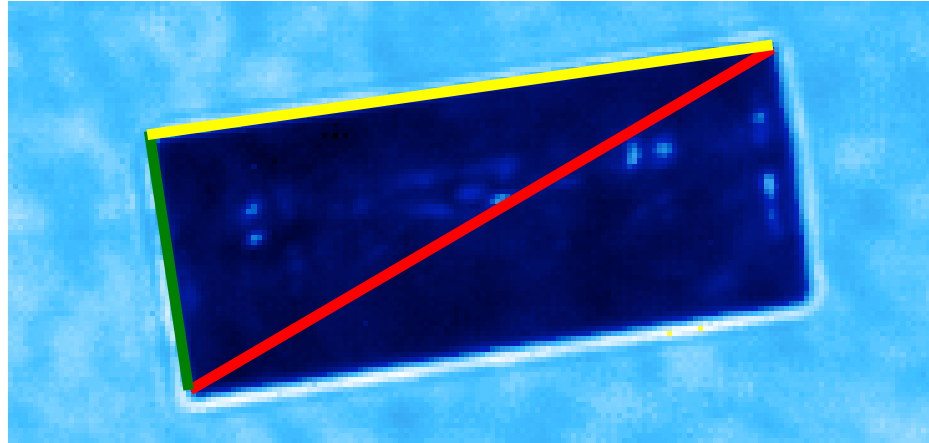
HCOL



➤ Horizontally oriented columns,  $L = L'$

# Ice Crystal Ruler (IC-Ruler)

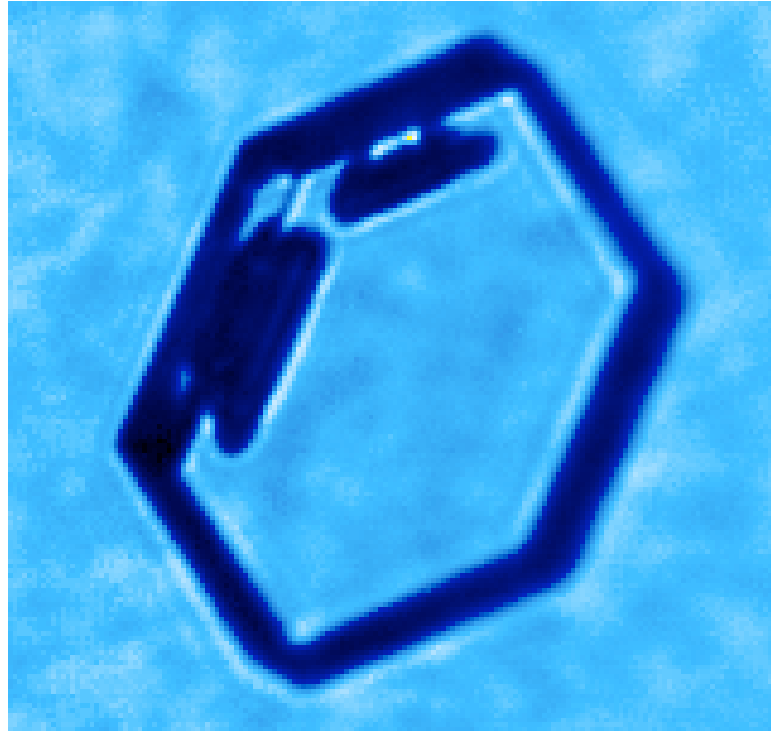
HCOL



- **Projected Maximum dimension ( $D'$ )**
- **Projected Width ( $W'$ )**
- **Projected Length ( $L'$ )**

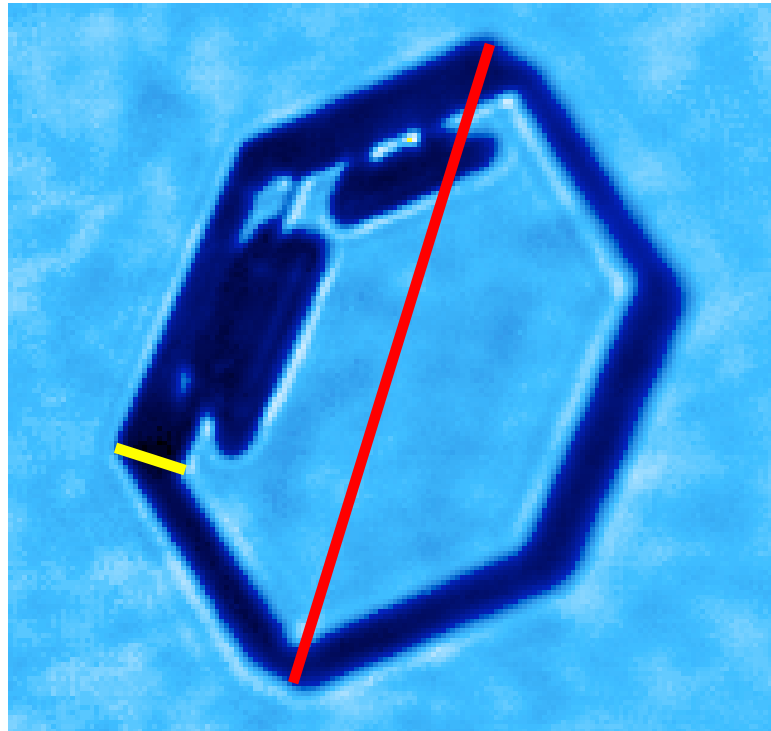
# Ice Crystal Ruler (IC-Ruler)

Plate



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Plate



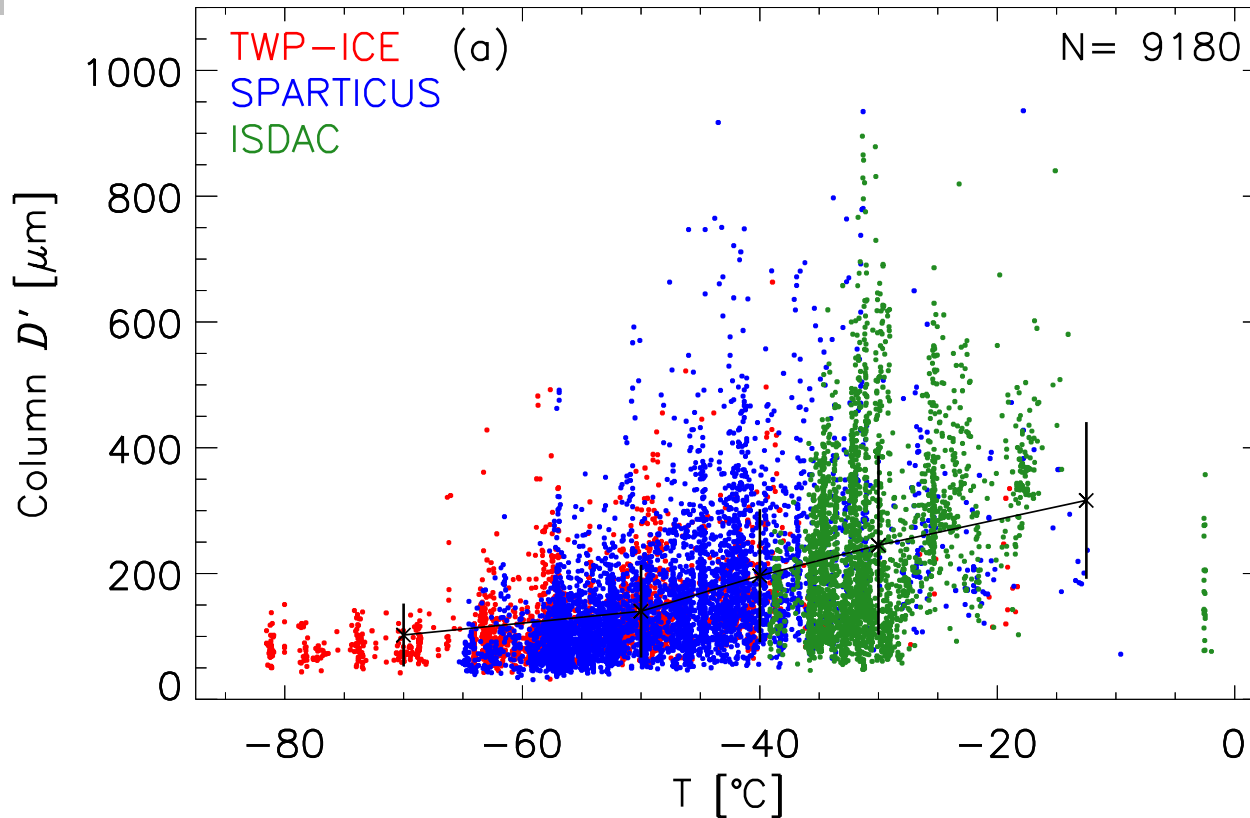
- **Projected maximum dimension ( $D'$ )**
- **Projected length ( $L'$ )**

# IC-Ruler Measurements

Field Campaign	T (°C)	RHi (%)	Number of samples		
			Column (HCOL)	Plate	Bullet rosette (# of branch)
TWP-ICE	-81.5 – -18.3	NA	1977 (430)	2088	751 (4750, $6.3 \pm 1.3$ )
ISDAC	-39.4 – -1.0	37.6 – 137.5	2678 (827)	348	761 (3770, $5.0 \pm 1.0$ )
SPARTICUS	-66.9 – -9.6	8.1 – 199.7	4538 (1175)	1079	3377 (19807, $5.9 \pm 1.3$ )
<b>Total</b>			<b>9193 (2432)</b>	<b>3515</b>	<b>4889 (28327, <math>5.8 \pm 1.3</math>)</b>

# Column $D'$ vs $T$

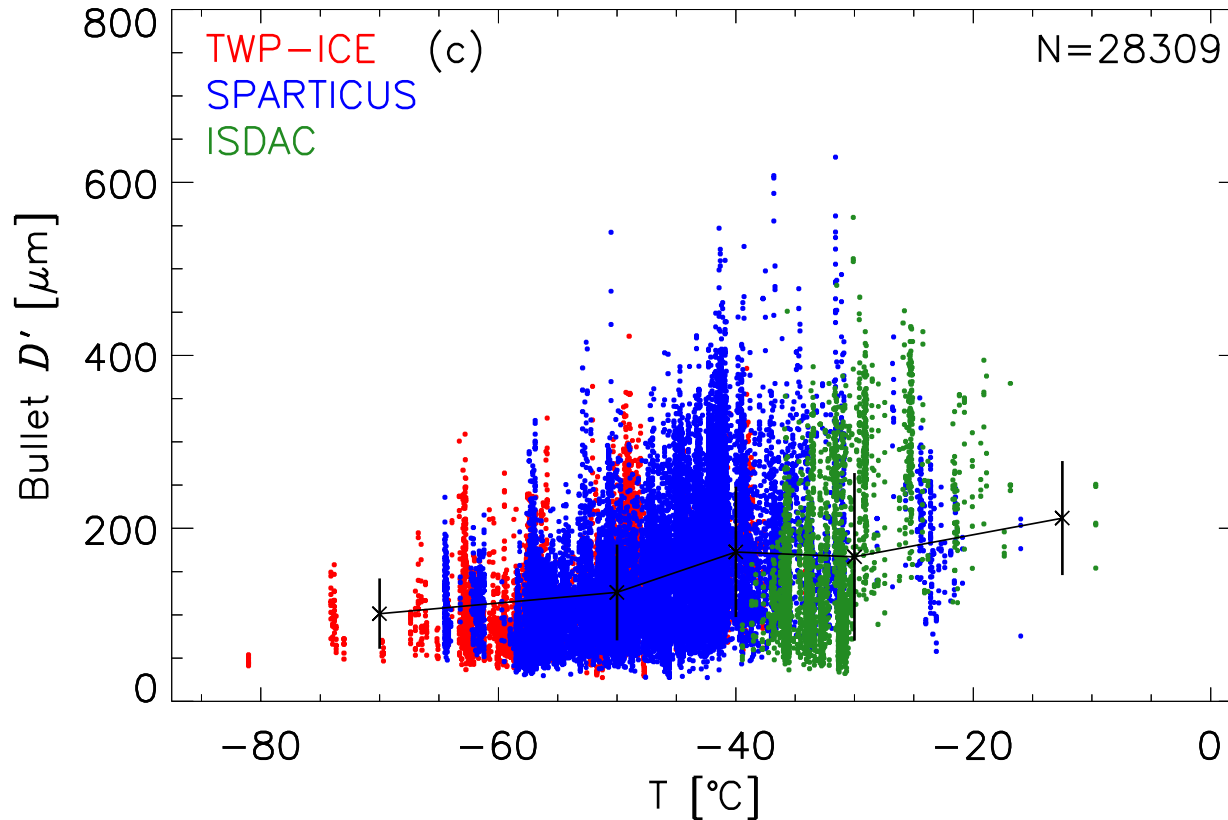
Column



➤  $D'$  increase with  $T$

# Bullet $D'$ vs $T$

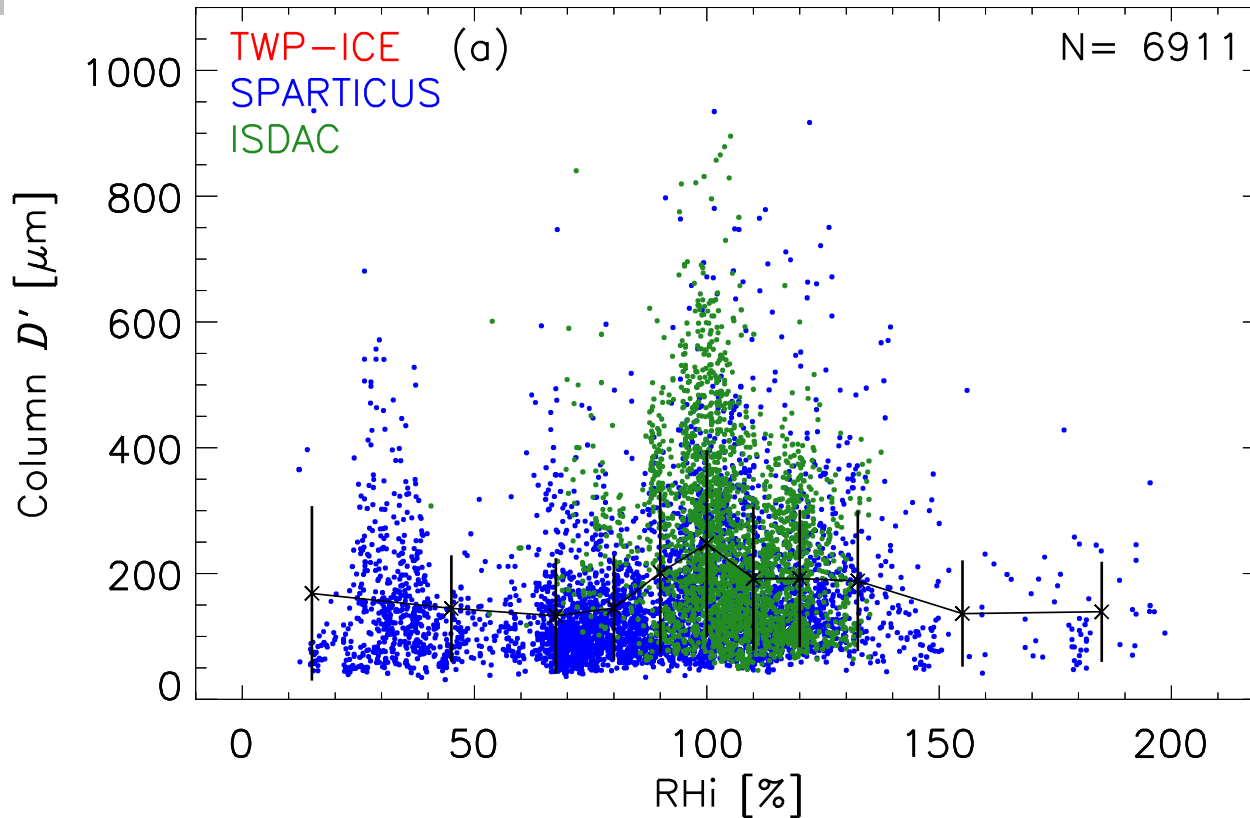
## Bullet



- $D'$  increase with  $T$
- Same trend for other dimensions and crystals

# Column $D'$ vs $RH_i$

Column

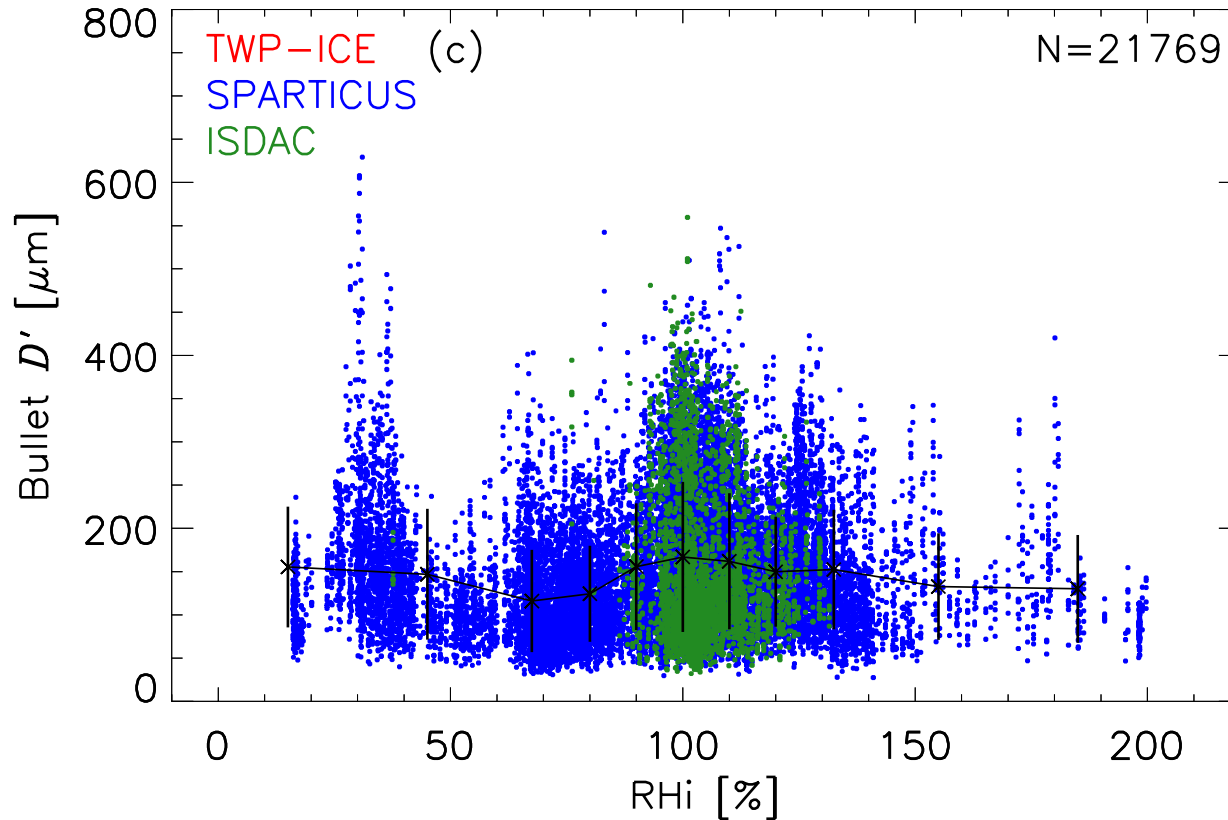


- No clear dependence on  $RH_i$
- Largest dimensions at  $\sim 100\%$



# Bullet $D'$ vs. $RH_i$

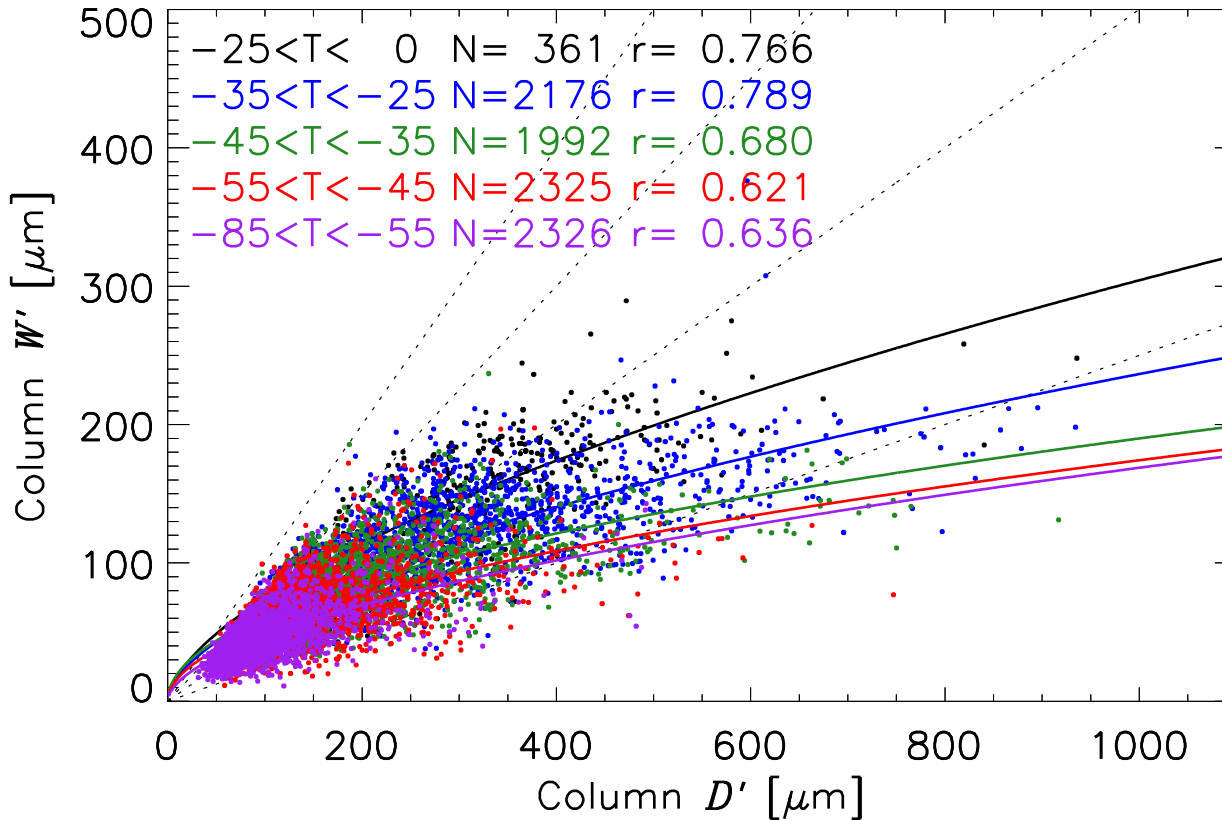
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- No clear dependence on  $RH_i$
- Largest dimensions at  $\sim 100\%$

# Column $D'$ vs $W'$

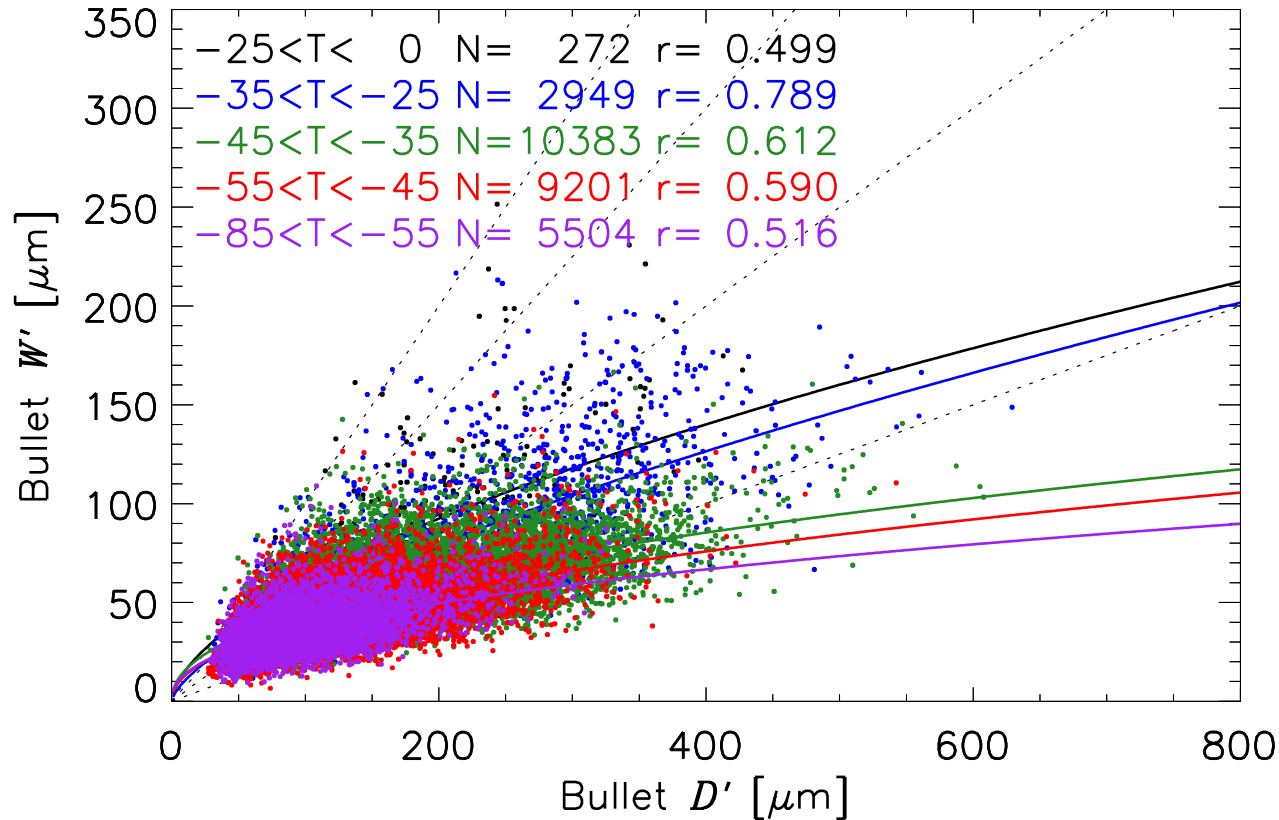
f of T



- Relationship between  $D'$  and  $W'$ , i.e., area ratio depends on  $T$

# Bullet $D'$ vs $W'$

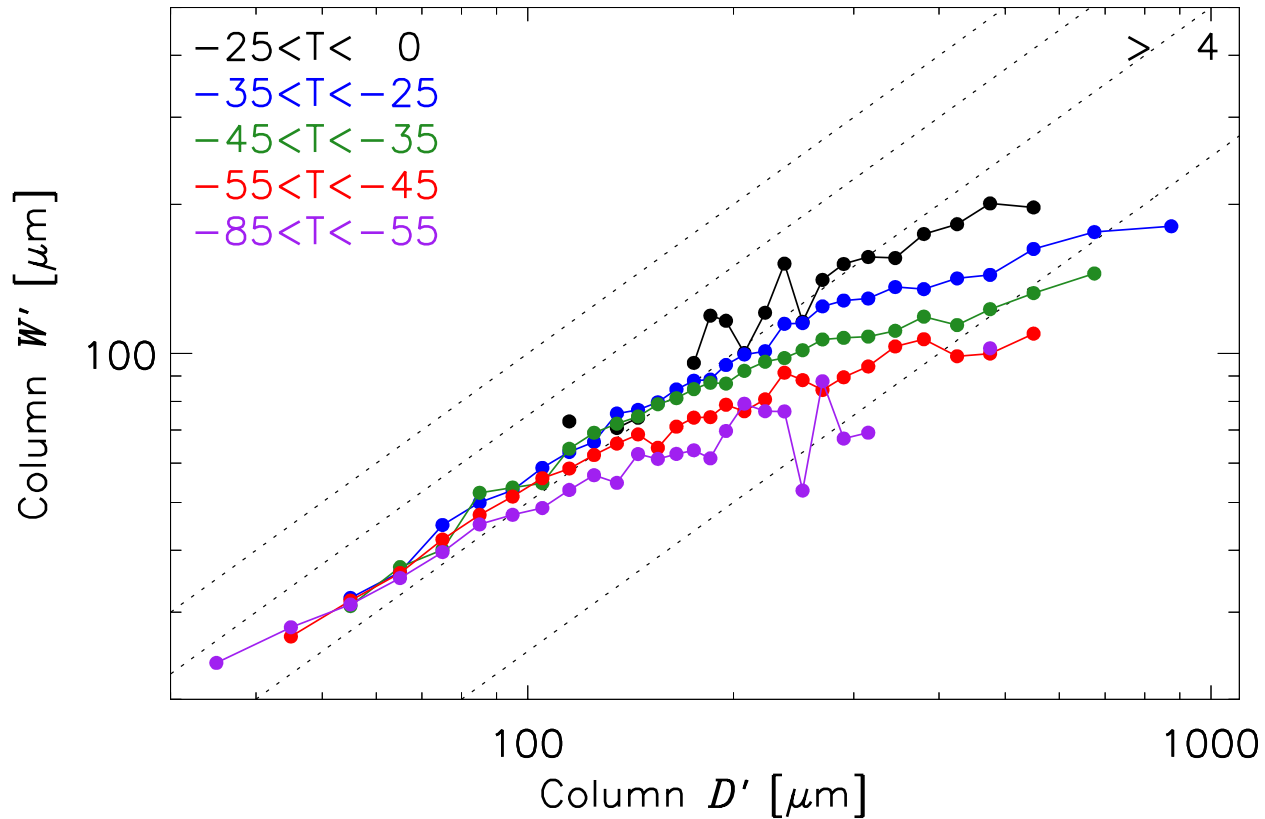
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- Relationship between  $D'$  and  $W'$ , i.e., area ratio depends on T

# Column $D'$ vs $W'$

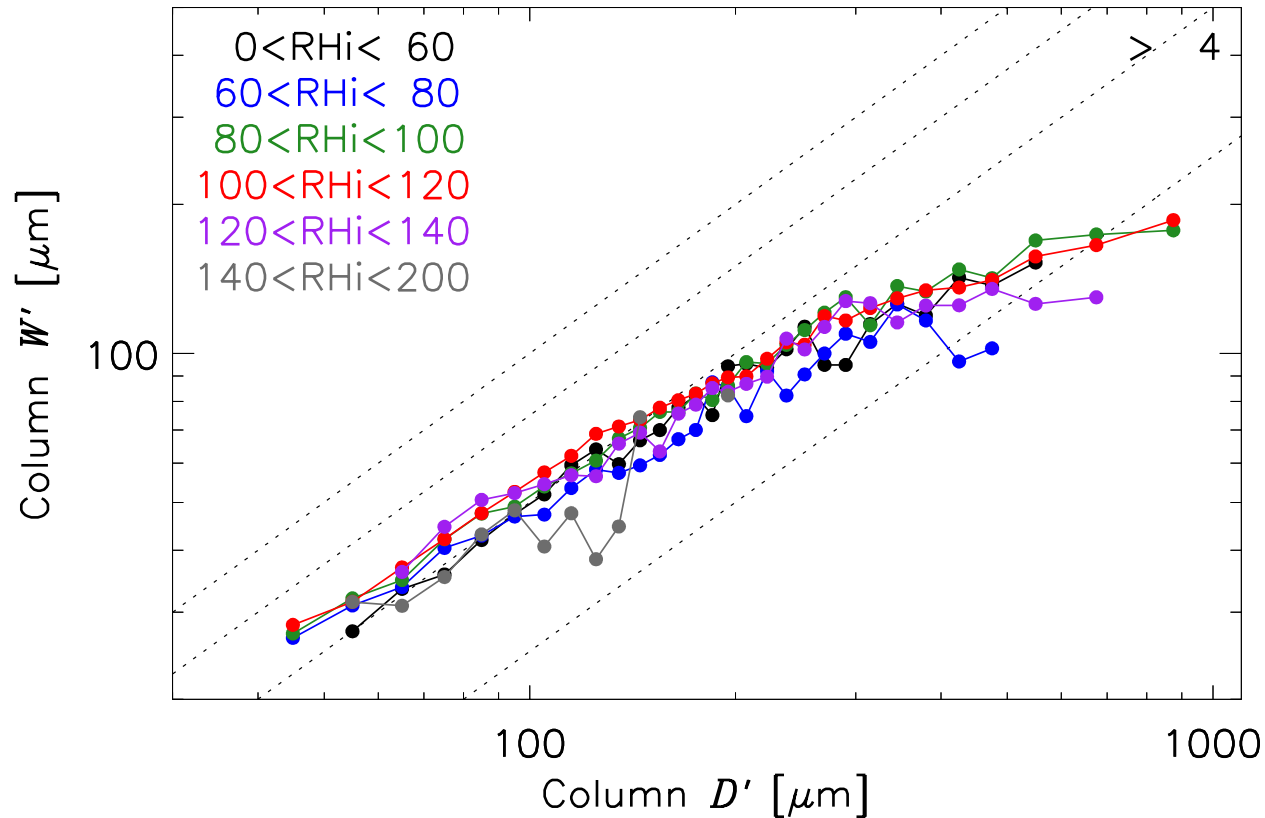
f of T



➤ Given  $D'$  range, mean  $W'$  increases with  $T$

# Column $D'$ vs $W'$

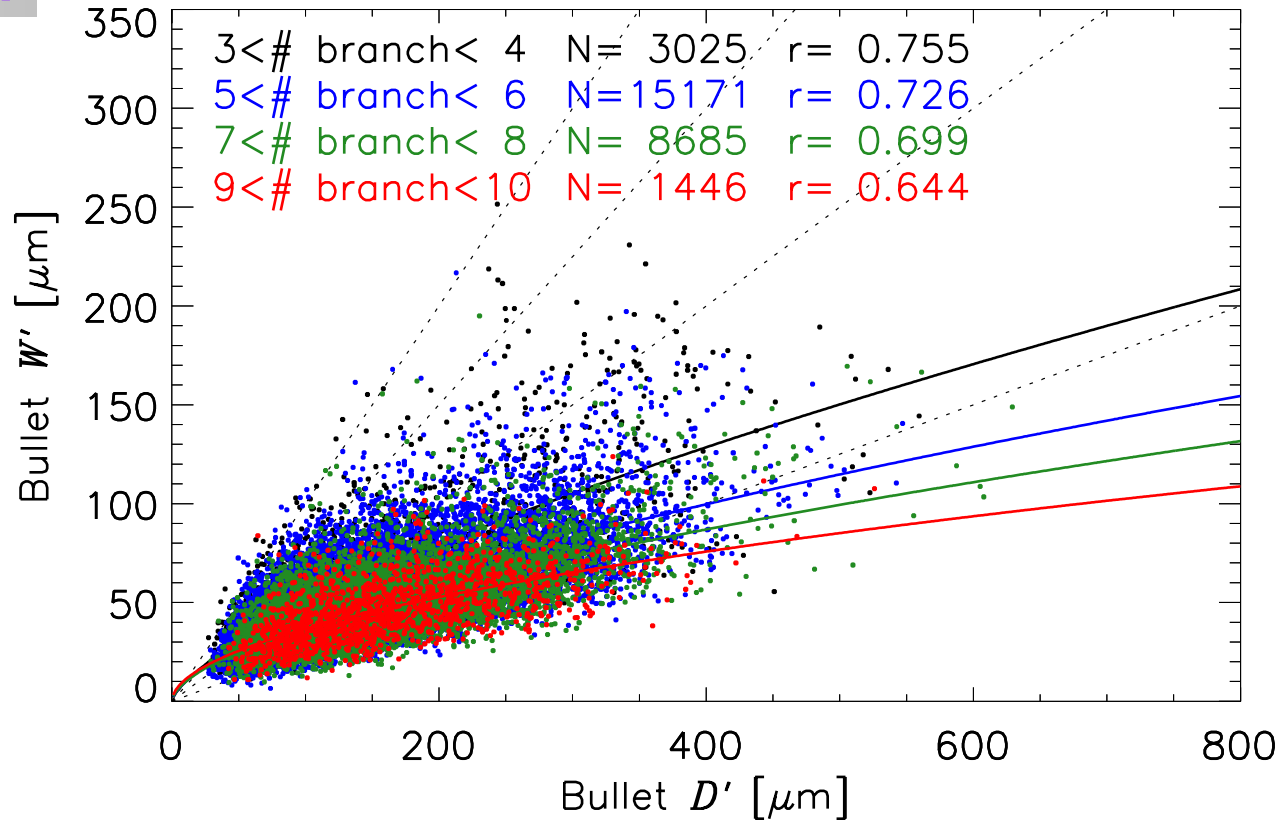
f of  $RH_i$



- Given  $D'$  range, no dependence of mean  $W'$  on  $RH_i$

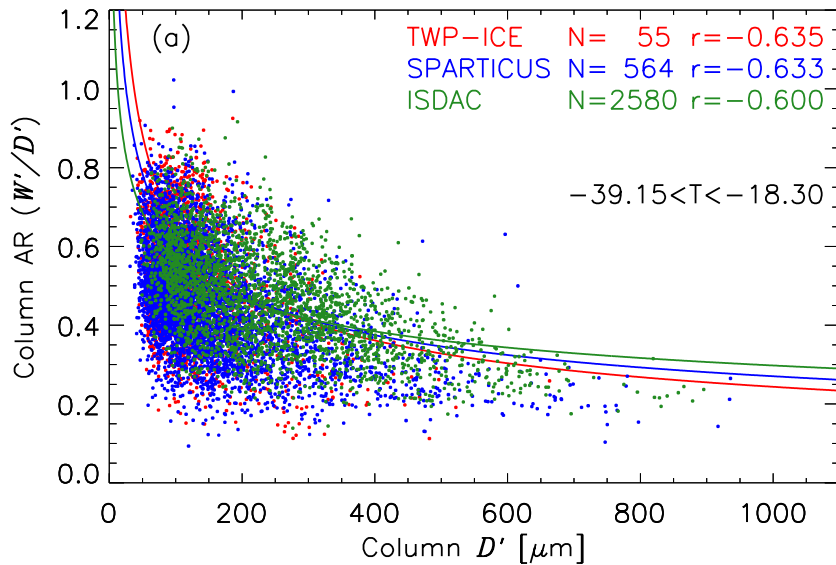
# Bullet $D'$ vs $W'$

f of branch

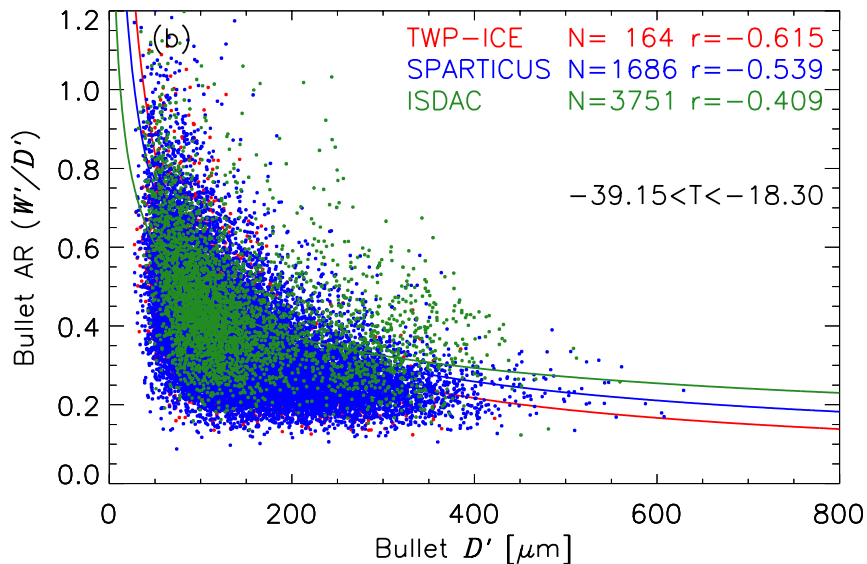


- Aspect ratio ( $W'/D'$ ) increases as # of branch decreases

# Geophysical Location



- -39.15 < T < -18.30 °C measurements for all three campaigns



- No clear dependence
- Small samples in TWP-ICE
- Further analysis

# Summary & Future Work

- **Dimensions increase with T**
- **No clear dependence of  $RH_i$**
- **Given  $L'$  or  $D'$ , aspect ratio ( $W'/L'$  or  $W'/D'$ ) increases with T**
- **Aspect ratio of bullet increases as # branch decreases**
- **No clear dependence on geophysical location (further analysis required)**
  
- **Iterative approach to take into account impact of particle orientations on measured dimensions**
- **Particle habit classification database**







# IC-Ruler

PerC | Column | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Test | 18:22:36.992

Ratio Information  
Please, Measure Ratio  
Select Branch Number!!!  
Distance Measurement

18:22:40.767  
18:22:41.119  
18:22:41.518  
18:22:47.477  
18:23:3.506  
18:23:7.910  
18:23:12.949  
18:23:17.121  
18:23:23.850  
18:23:24.151  
18:23:24.757  
18:23:26.649  
18:23:32.905  
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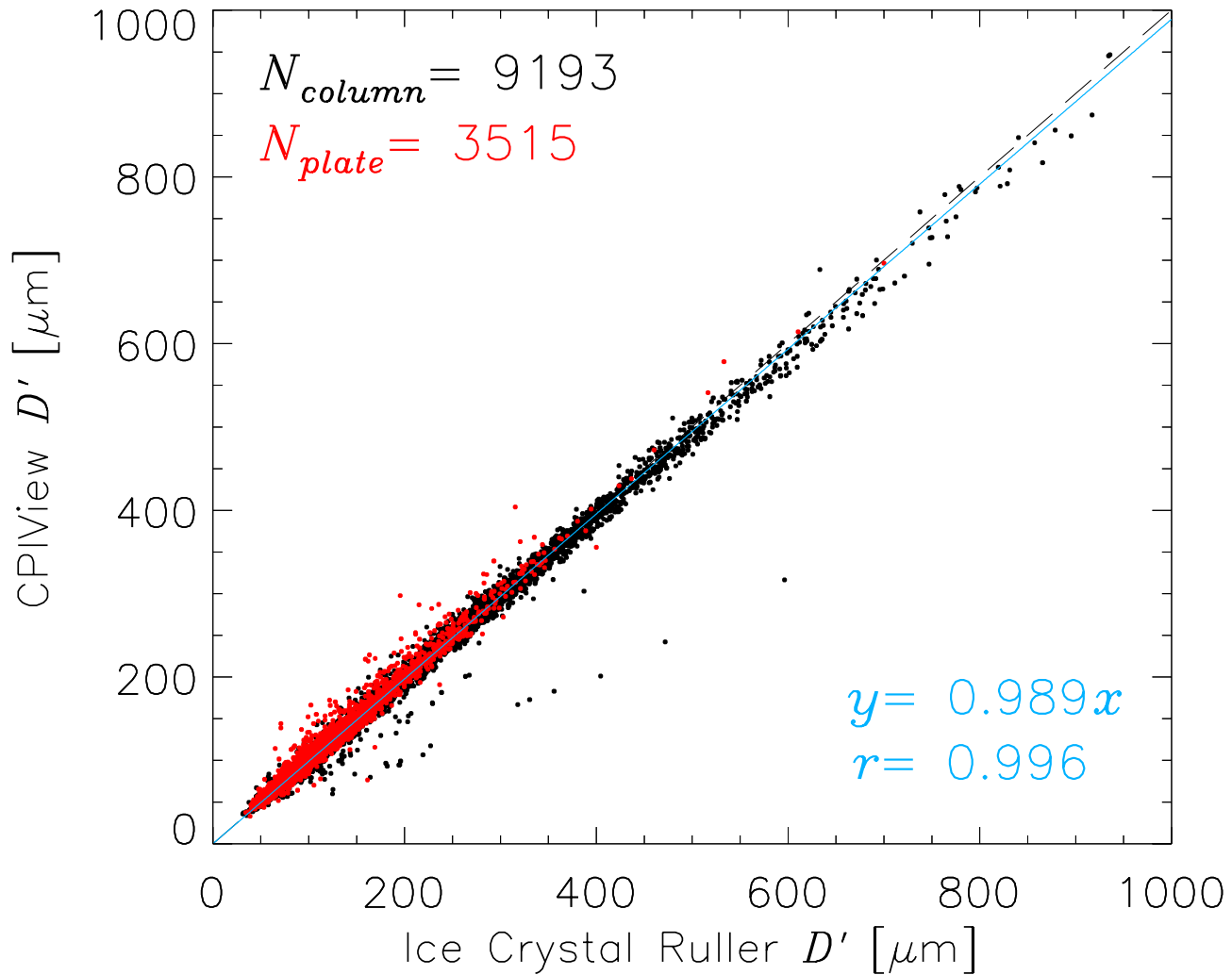
Result :  
MEASURE

Message  
Please choose the number of branch  
OK

Count : 0  
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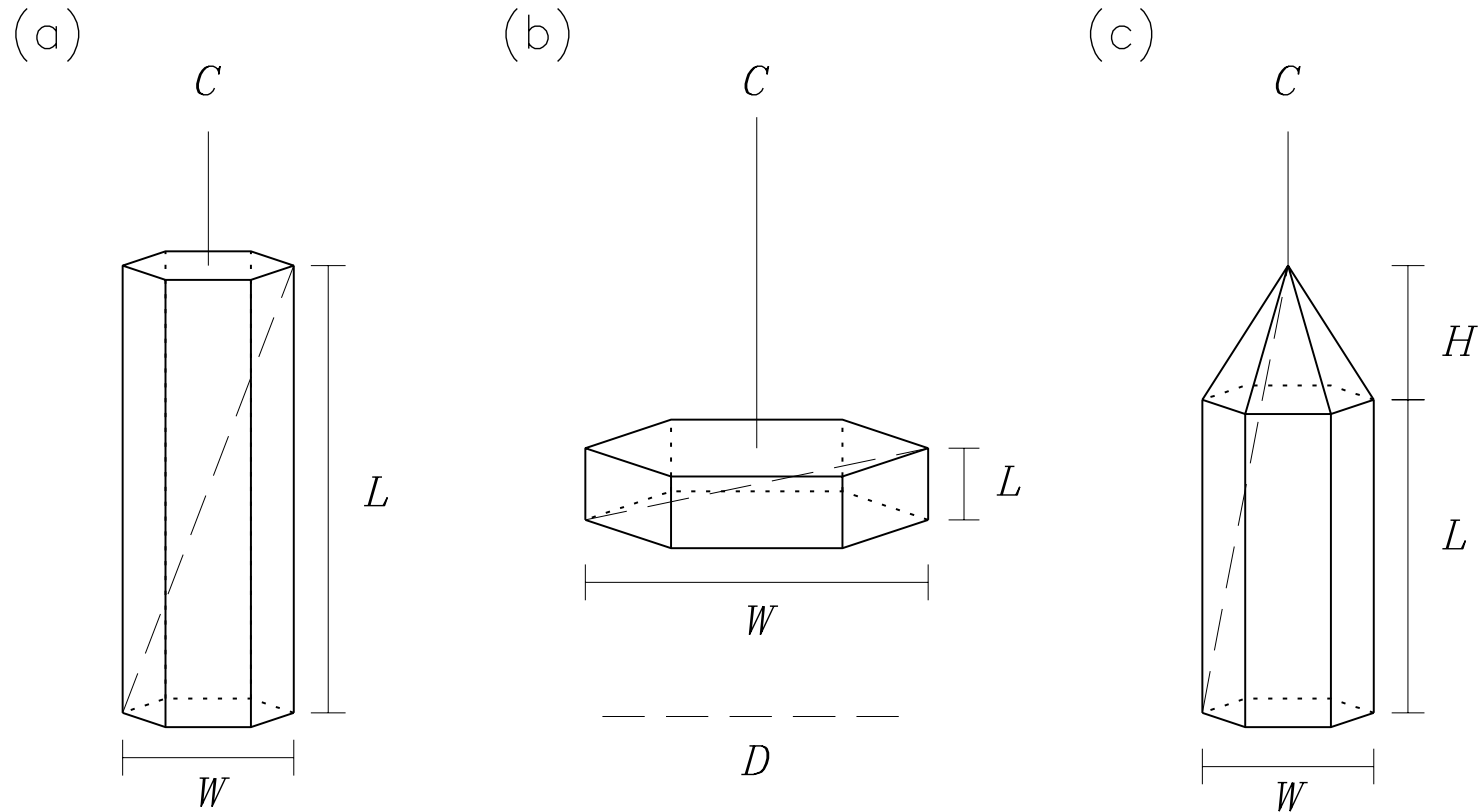
Skip | Ratio | Initial | C Screen | Branch : x=733,y=17 | Click Number : 0

7 | 792 X 1024 X 8b | 304.93kb | 200% | 0.02 Sec | X:352,Y:492,W:0,H:0 | D | 251,254,255 | DC3\_CPI\_DC8\_20101220\_192413\_188\_R1.png



**IC-Ruler  $D'$  / CPIView  $D'$  =  $1.0042 \pm 0.06915$**

# Ice Crystal Structure

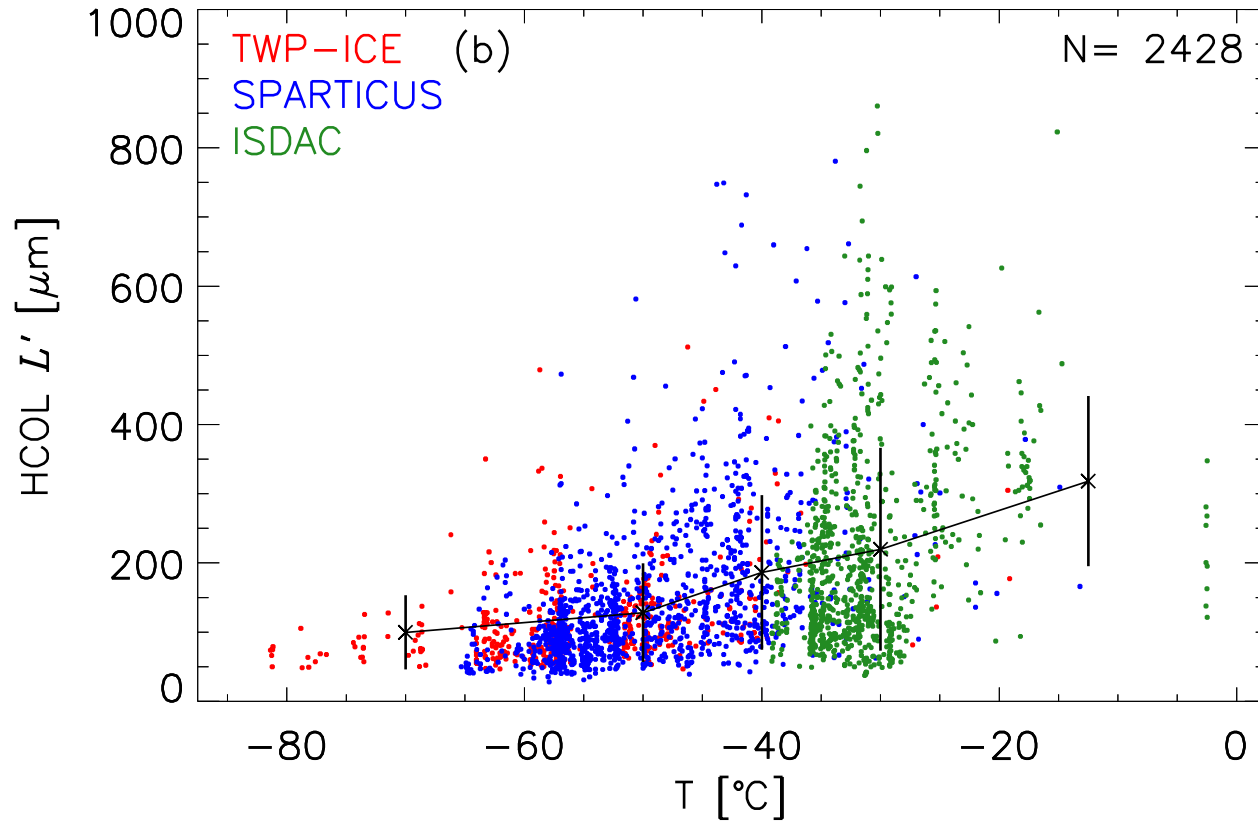


**$D$  : Maximum dimension**

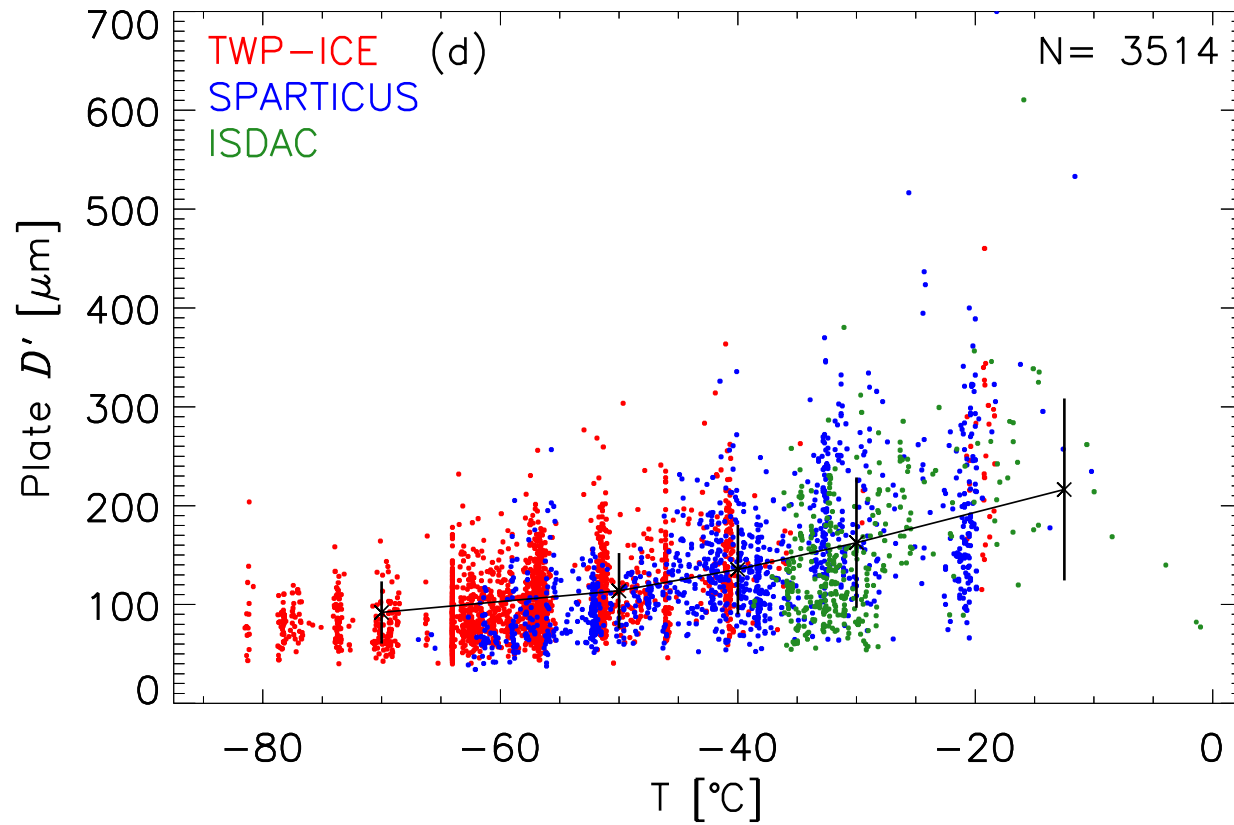
**$W$  : Width**

**$L$  : Length**

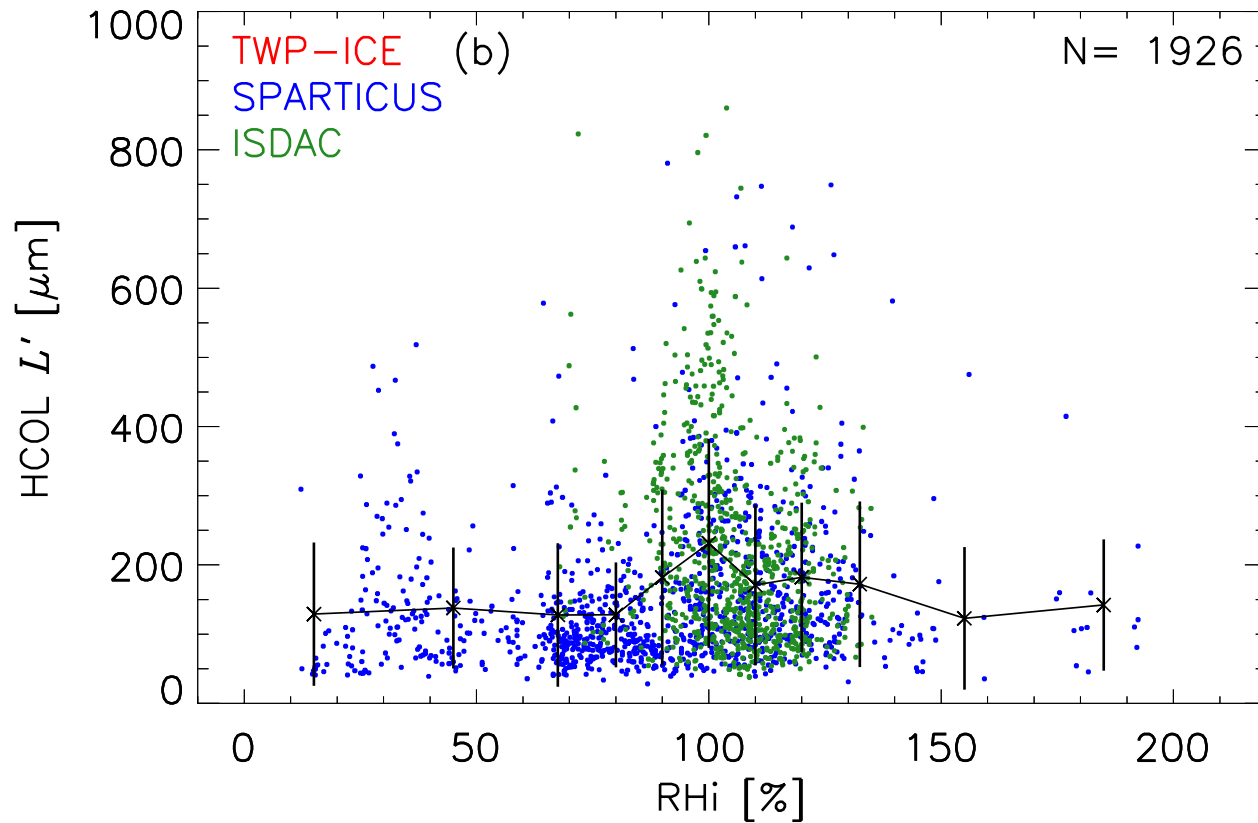
# Horizontally Oriented Column $L'$ vs $T$



# Plate $D'$ vs $T$

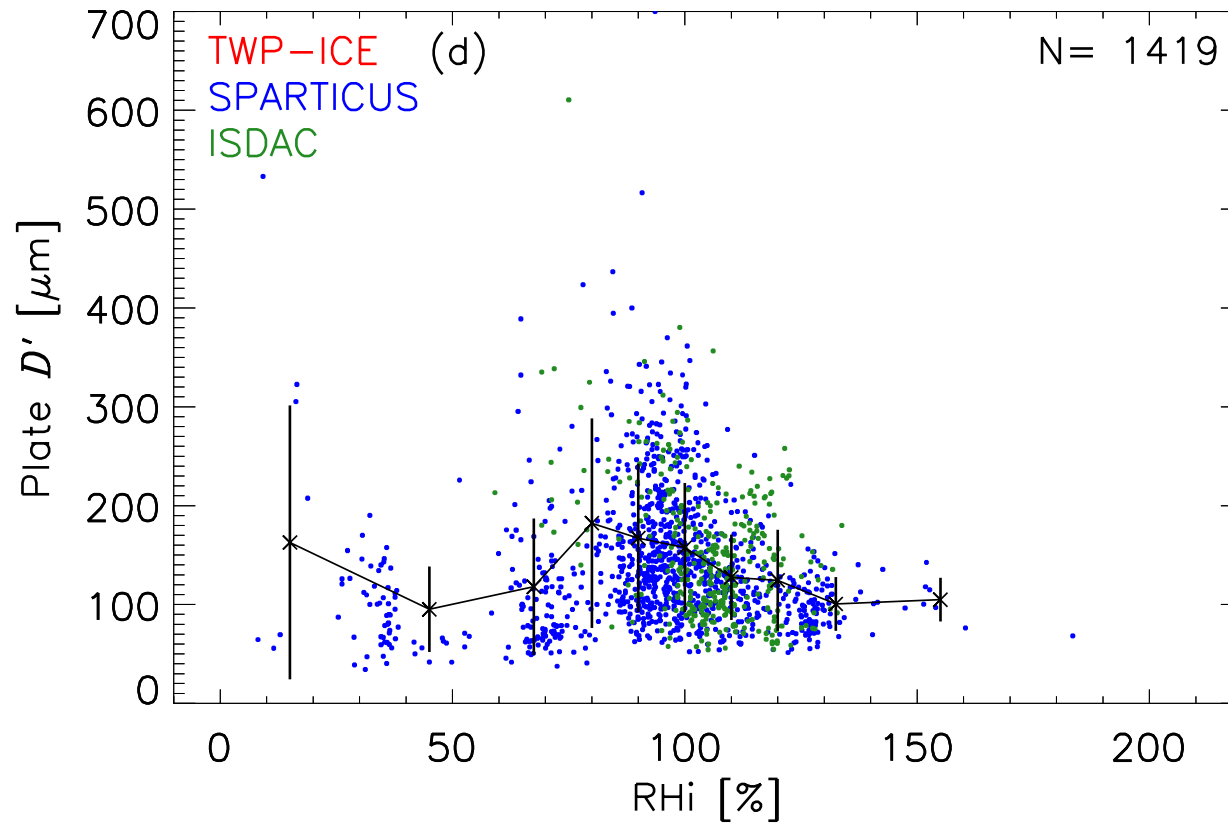


# Horizontally Oriented Column $L'$ vs $RH_i$



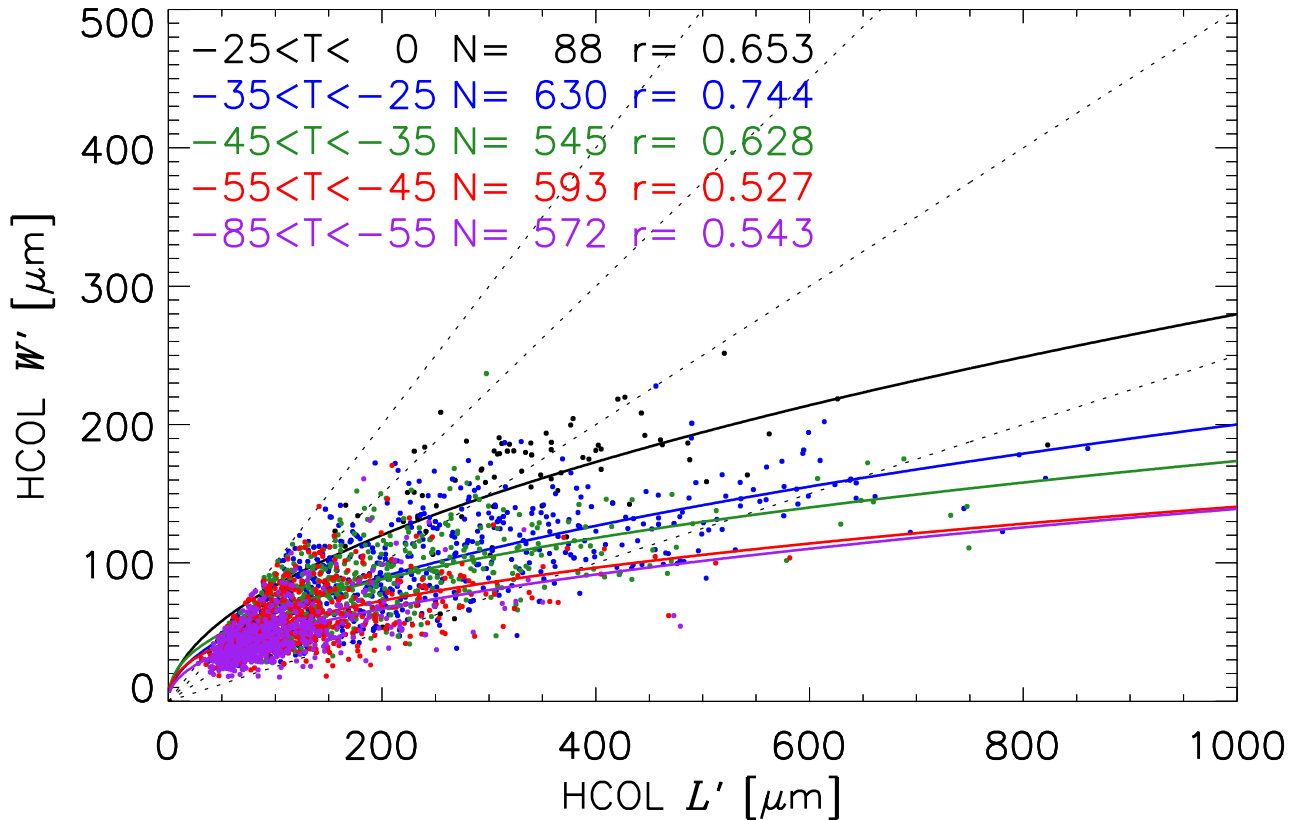


# Plate $D'$ vs $RH_i$



# HCOL $D'$ vs $W'$

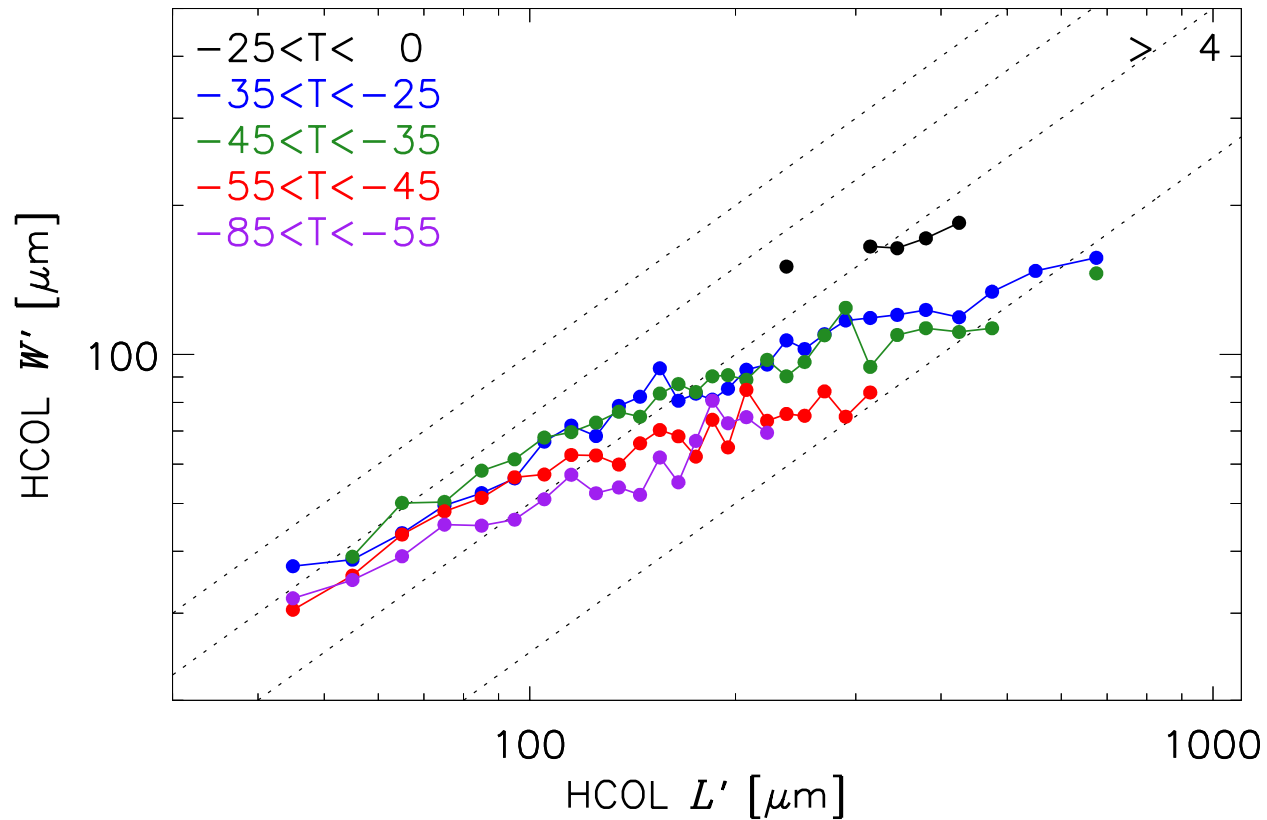
f of T



- Relationship between  $D'$  and  $W'$ , i.e., area ratio depends on  $T$

# HCOL $D'$ vs $W'$

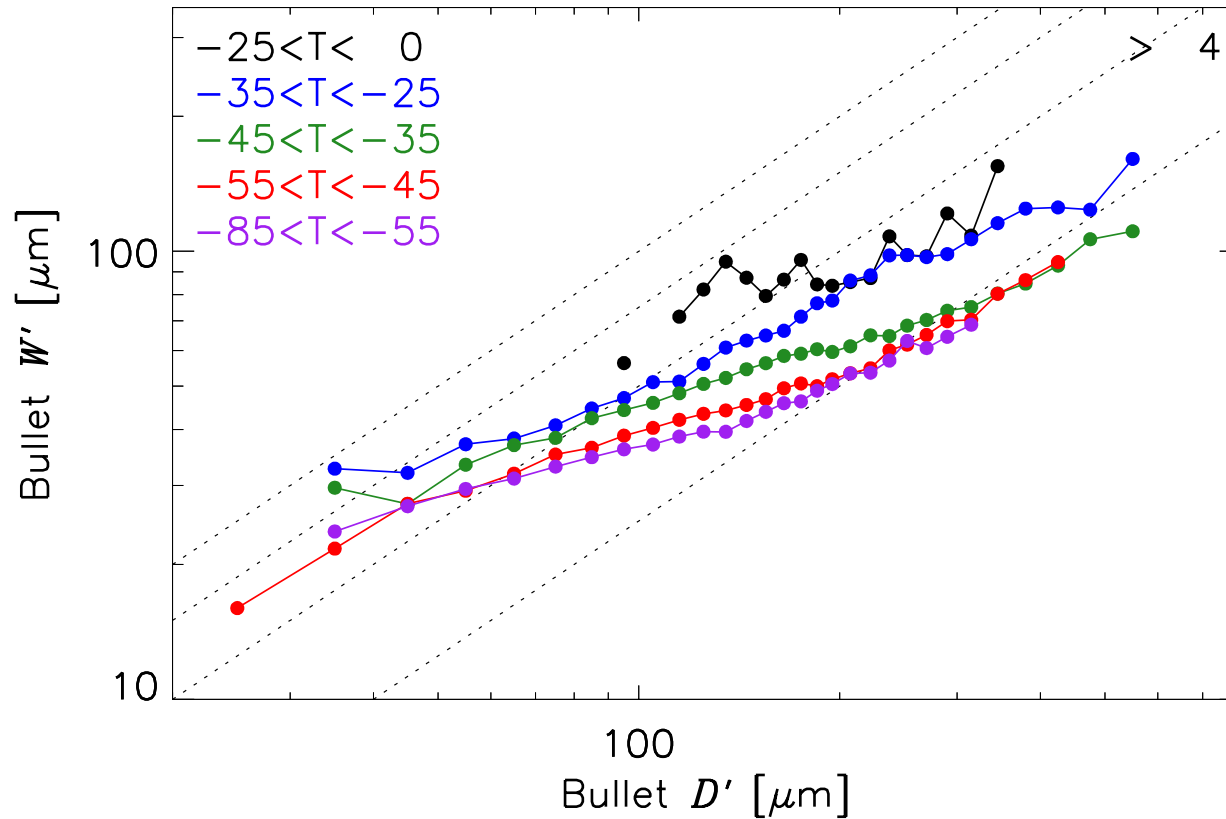
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➤ Given  $D'$  range, mean  $W'$  increases with  $T$

# Bullet $D'$ vs $W'$

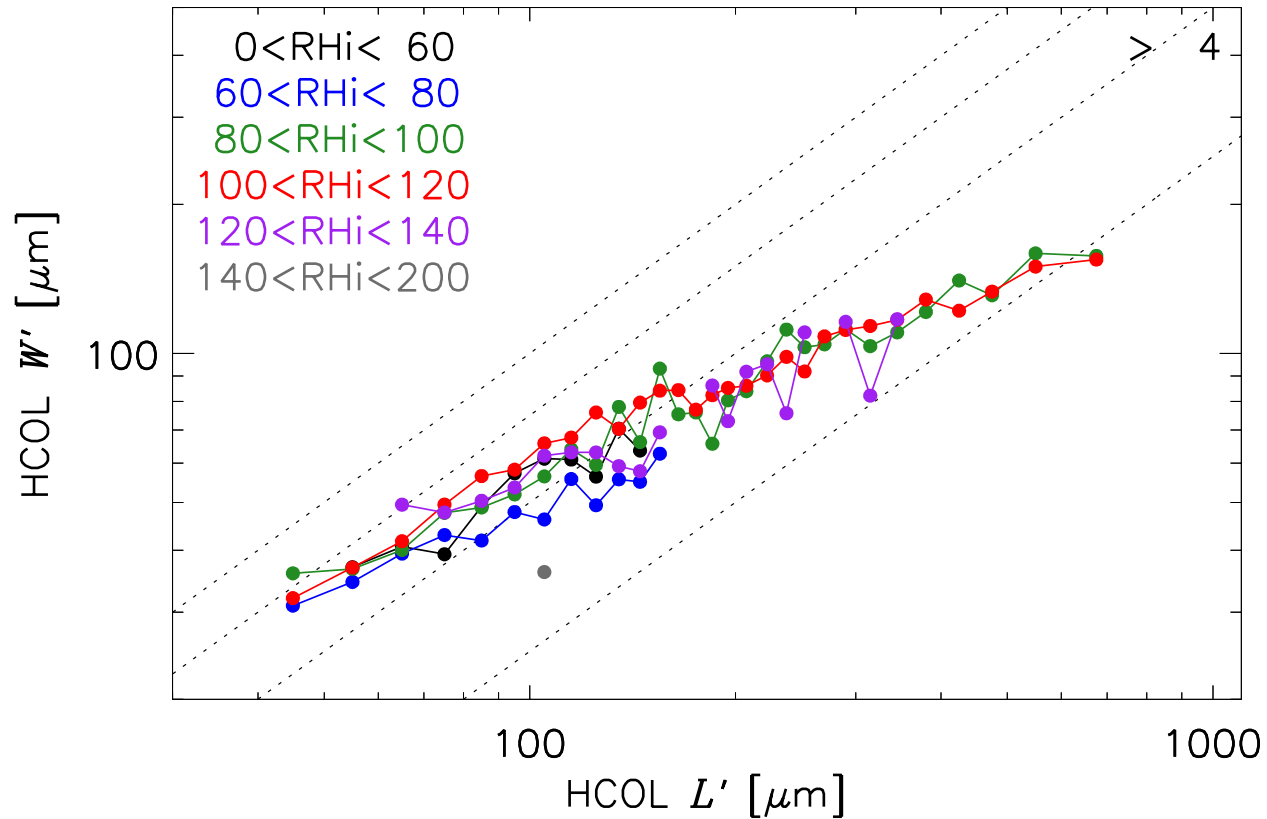
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➤ Given  $D'$  range, mean  $W'$  increases with T

# HCOL $D'$ vs $W'$

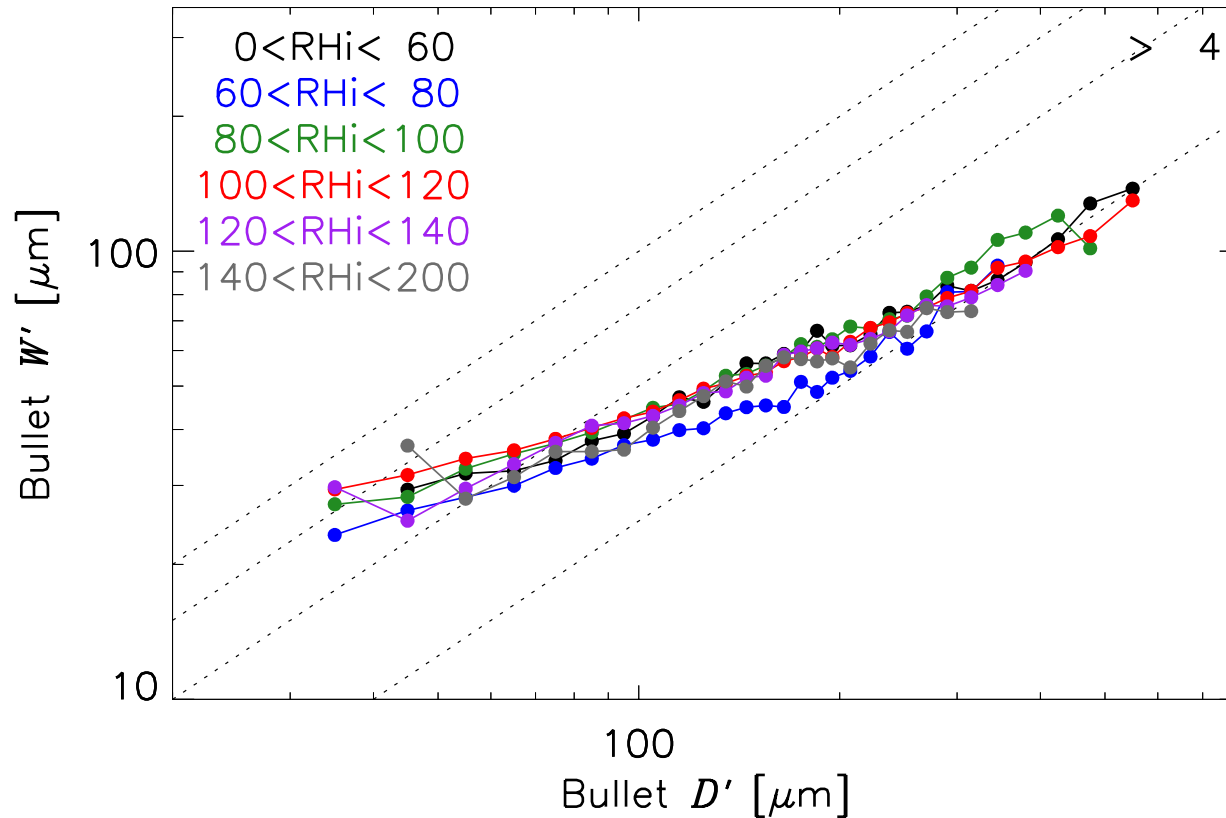
f of  $RH_i$



- Given  $D'$  range, no dependence of mean  $W'$  on  $RH_i$

# Bullet $D'$ vs $W'$

f of  $RH_i$



- Given  $D'$  range, no dependence of mean  $W'$  on  $RH_i$

# SPARTICUS

Flight Date	T (°C)	RH <sub>i</sub> (%)	Number of samples		
			Column (HCOL)	Plate	Bullet rosette (# of branch)
0119A	-56.0 – -18.8	17.8 – 123.3	619 (168)	38	199 (1071, 5.4±1.1)
0120A	-59.3 – -43.3	42.4 – 148.4	648 (166)	48	592 (3489, 5.9±1.2)
0120B	-58.1 – -11.6	9.2 – 63.5	436 (96)	30	318 (1817, 5.7±1.3)
0211B	-47.8 – -31.5	85.1 – 127.6	214 (45)	14	576 (3495, 6.1±1.3)
0323A	-60.4 – -12.4	53.6 – 181.7	133 (39)	10	51 (314, 6.2±1.1)
0330A	-60.2 – -26.8	47.8 – 141.8	120 (38)	14	105 (696, 6.6±1.1)
0330B	-58.5 – -29.9	63.6 – 141.1	235 (56)	25	236 (1206, 5.1±1.1)
0401A	-54.2 – -38.0	19.9 – 199.7	374 (92)	6	482 (2825, 5.9±1.3)
0401B	-51.6 – -21.7	58.6 – 139.3	164 (31)	31	216 (1387, 6.4±1.4)
0402A	-59.3 – -18.6	65.9 – 146.8	209 (60)	11	41 (271, 6.6±1.0)
0414B	-52.5 – -30.6	63.4 – 166.3	193 (58)	76	109 (566, 5.2±1.3)
0422B	-62.7 – -10.2	28.9 – 133.4	110 (29)	131	7 (38, 5.4±1.1)
0424A	-48.3 – -14.3	59.9 – 141.0	190 (36)	210	136 (708, 5.2±1.2)
0428A	-66.9 – -50.7	8.1 – 117.1	180 (65)	3	4 (22, 5.5±1.0)
0428B	-65.8 – -31.3	12.9 – 137.8	295 (86)	12	104 (595, 5.7±1.2)
0429	-64.5 – -9.6	16.1 – 141.5	88 (21)	5	106 (719, 6.8±1.1)
0614	-52.3 – -20.0	80.5 – 154.0	138 (57)	185	12 (64, 5.3±1.1)
0615A	-51.1 – -19.7	56.8 – 123.4	54 (8)	215	5 (21, 4.2±0.8)
0624A	-50.6 – -28.9	81.9 – 145.4	138 (24)	15	78 (503, 6.4±1.2)
<b>Total</b>			<b>4538 (1175)</b>	<b>1079</b>	<b>3377 (19807, 5.9±1.3)</b>

# TWP-ICE

Flight Date	T (°C)	RHi (%)	Number of samples		
			Column (HCOL)	Plate	Bullet rosette (# of branch)
0125	-70.2 – -51.4	NA	294 (80)	20	74 (432, 5.8±1.1)
0127	-81.5 – -45.5	NA	289 (64)	63	84 (551, 6.6±1.3)
0129	-74.5 – -37.7	NA	299 (54)	15	372 (2488, 6.7±1.3)
0202	-67.8 – -18.3	NA	282 (75)	143	90 (559, 6.2±1.3)
0206	-73.1 – -40.2	NA	271 (78)	439	0
0210	-78.7 – -40.5	NA	394 (46)	1049	0
0212	-72.7 – -34.1	NA	148 (33)	359	131 (720, 5.5±1.2)
<b>Total</b>			<b>1977 (430)</b>	<b>2088</b>	<b>751 (4750, 6.3±1.3)</b>



# ISDAC

Flight Date	T (°C)	RHi (%)	Number of samples		
			Column (HCOL)	Plate	Bullet rosette (# of branch)
0404	-39.4 – -1.0	68.7 – 133.2	745 (272)	84	45 (260, 5.8±1.0)
0405	-38.3 – -14.0	69.2 – 135.1	325 (91)	50	21 (116, 5.5±0.8)
0413	-33.7 – -16.4	87.8 – 115.4	72 (13)	9	37 (227, 6.1±1.5)
0419	-33.5 – -8.5	53.8 – 110.8	409 (121)	19	304 (1455, 4.8±1.0)
0425	-36.0 – -4.0	67.8 – 137.5	634 (175)	126	279 (1361, 4.9±0.8)
0427	-36.3 – -16.5	37.6 – 133.0	493 (155)	60	75 (351, 4.7±0.9)
<b>Total</b>			<b>2678 (827)</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>761 (3770, 5.0±1.0)</b>



1. Today I will show measurements of ice crystals' dimensions.

2. Ice crystal ruler measuring dimensions of ice crystals was developed.

Dimensions of columns, plates, and individual branch of bullet rosette are measured from CPI images.

Three field campaigns data were used.

Ultimate questions to be answered are what controls aspect ratio of ice crystals?

Is there any systemic difference between geophysical locations?

3. Let me explain IC-Ruler

Here is 8 branches bullet rosette.

4. First we identifying center.

5. Here projected maximum dimension of individual branch is shown.

Ice crystals are 3 dimensional object, but dimensions shown in CPI images are 2 dimensional and they projected dimensions.

6. Next projected widths are shown.

7. Next one is a column.

8. Here projected maximum dimension and width are shown.

9. We distinguished horizontally oriented columns.

We a column has horizontal orientation respective to the image plane, its shape becomes rectangular.

In this case, the projected length and real length are same.

10. Projected maximum dimension, width, and length are measured for horizontally oriented columns.

11. Here is a plate.

12. For plates, projected maximum dimension and length are measured.

13. From three field campaigns, lots of ice crystals were measured.

14. Here are some results.

Projected maximum dimensions of column increase with T.

15. Same story for bullet and all dimensions we measured.
16. No clear dependence on RHi is shown.
17. Same story for bullets.
18. This figure shows column projected maximum dimension and width as function of temperature. Temperature dependence is shown.
19. Same story for bullet.
20. This is more close look.  
For given maximum dimension, width increases with Temperature.
21. But, no dependence on RHi.
22. This figure shows relationship between bullet maximum dimension and width.  
Different colors indicate number of branch.  
Aspect ratio increases as # of branch decreases.
23. At this temperature range, all three campaigns have crystal measurements.  
Column and bullet aspect ratios as a function of maximum dimension are shown.  
No clear dependence on geophysical location is shown, but more analysis will be made.
24. Here is summary and I will not gonna repeat.  
We are working on an iterative approach.  
It considers relationship between particle orientations and projected dimensions for real L and W relationship.  
And we are also working on particle habit database.