



Molecular motors Mechanized molecules



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Outline

History, motivations
Molecules, Synthesis

Catenanes and Rotaxanes

Electro-optic Kerr effect

Macrocycle rotation

Metal surface electric field testing
Applications

INTRODUCTION

SHUTTLES

BRAKES

RATCHETS

Molecular architectures used
to restrict degrees of freedom of movement
of **submolecular components**. Relative movement
via discrete large amplitude internal motions
Influence of **External stimuli**

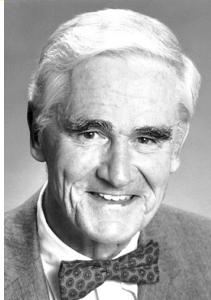
KNOTS

Madre (smart) molekuly

Nobel Prize in Chemistry 1°987

Donald J. Cram; Jean-Marie Lehn & Charles J. Pedersen

"for their development and use of molecules with structure-specific interactions of high selectivity"



Donald J. Cram

1919 - 2001, University of Los Angeles, Ca, USA

Jean Marie Lehn 1939 –

Strasburg University; College de France

« Il n'existe pas de dogme en matière scientifique :
le chercheur ne croit pas, il pense »

W nauce nie ma dogmatu. Naukowiec nie wierzy lecz myśli



SUPRAMOLECULES

Charles J. Pedersen

1904 - 1989, Wilmington, Delaware





Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2016

"for the design and synthesis of molecular machines".



Jean-Pierre Sauvage, 1944 -

University of Strasbourg, Strasbourg, France



J. Fraser Stoddart, 1942 -

Northwestern University,
Evanston, IL, USA



Bernard L. Feringa, 1951 -

University of Groningen, Groningen, the Netherlands

EU Descartes Prize ceremony 2007



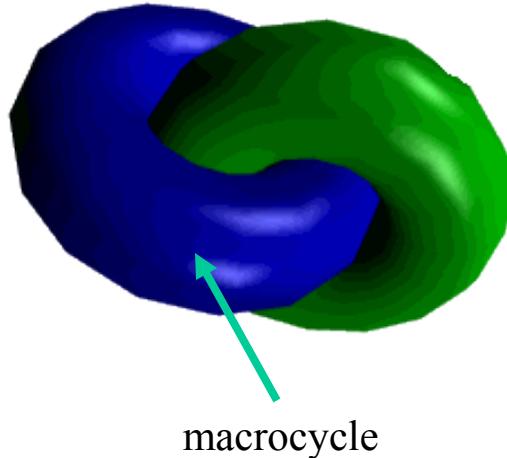
The European Descartes ceremony, Brussels 7 March 2007. From left to right: Clotilde Haigneré, first French woman cosmonaute, member of Descartes Jury, David Leigh, University of Edinburgh (UK), Petra Rudolf (Groningen University, NL), Fabio Biscarini, CNR Bologna, Italy, Mojca Kucler Dolinar, Slovenian minister of Science and Education (Slovenia was exerting at that time the ruling presidency of EU), Janez Potočnik, EU Commissary for Science and Research, Francois, Francesco Zerbetto, University of Bologna, Italy, Jan Buma, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Goal

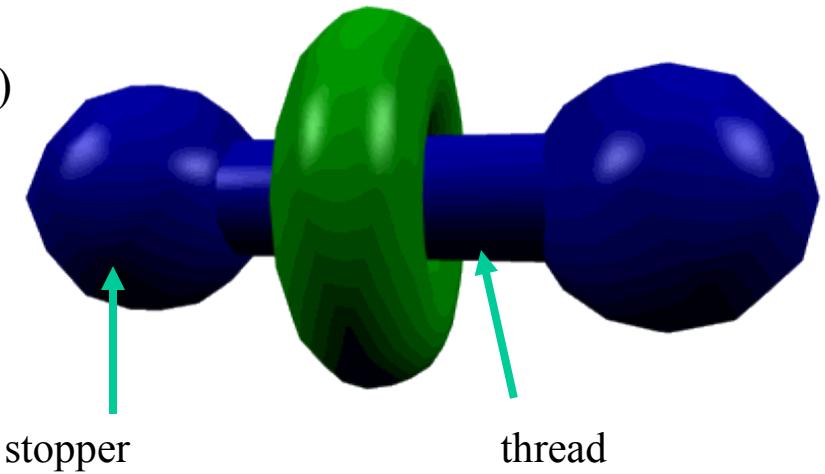
Design, synthesis and with external stimuli: electric DC, AC or optical field excite, control movements of molecular subparts to fulfill the desired functions

Molecules

a)



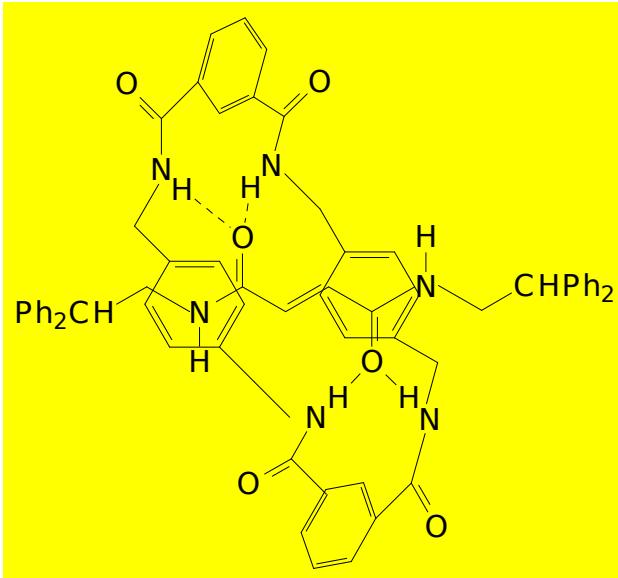
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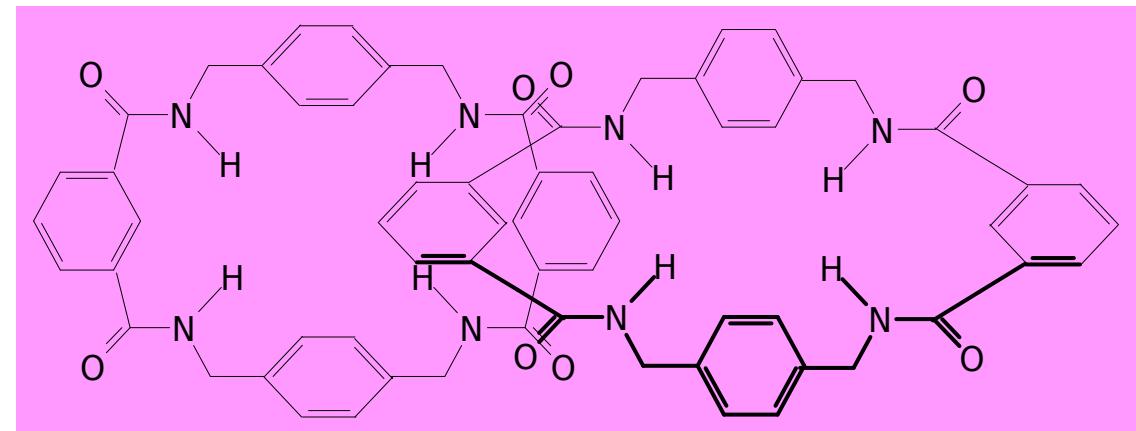
Catenanes

Rotaxanes

Molecules



benzylic amide [2] rotaxane

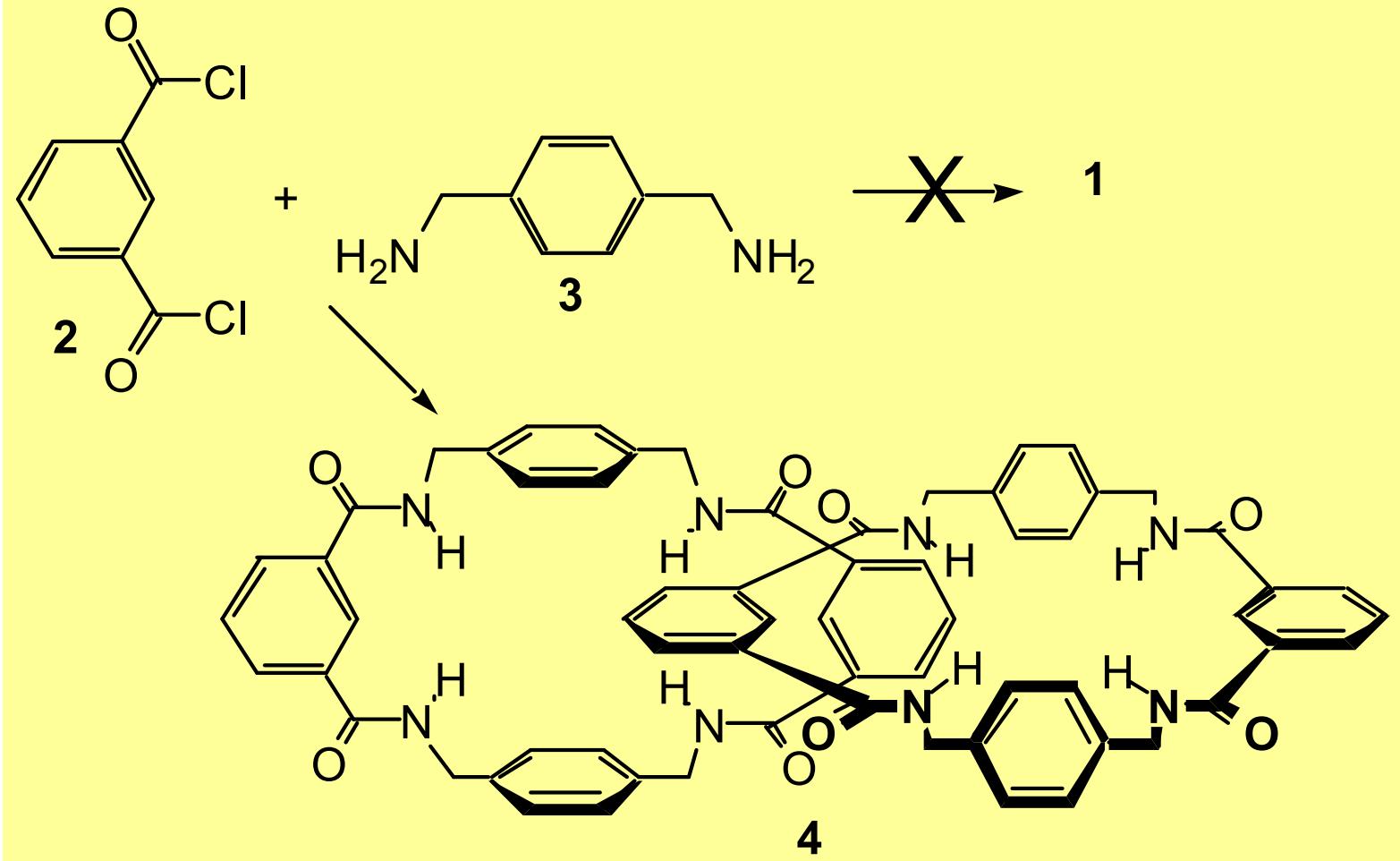


benzylic acid [2] catenane.

Synthesis by the team from University of Edinburgh

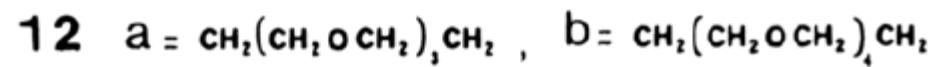
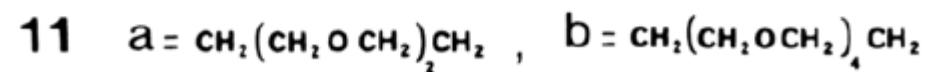
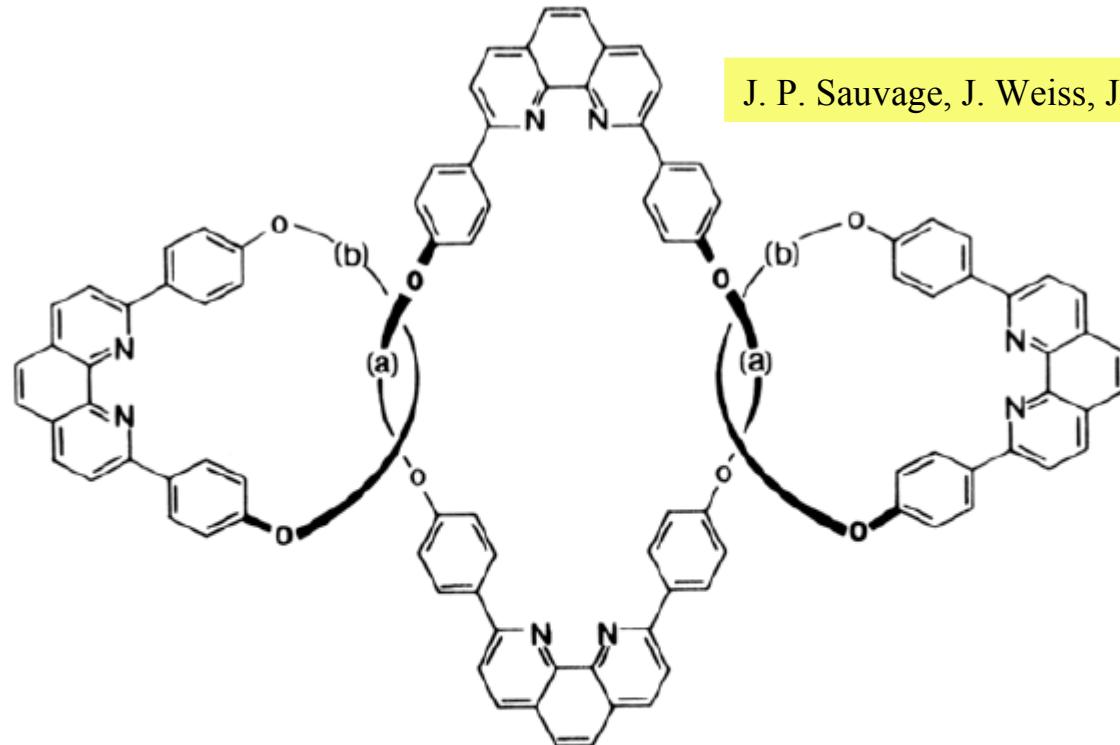
Synthesis

Catenanes

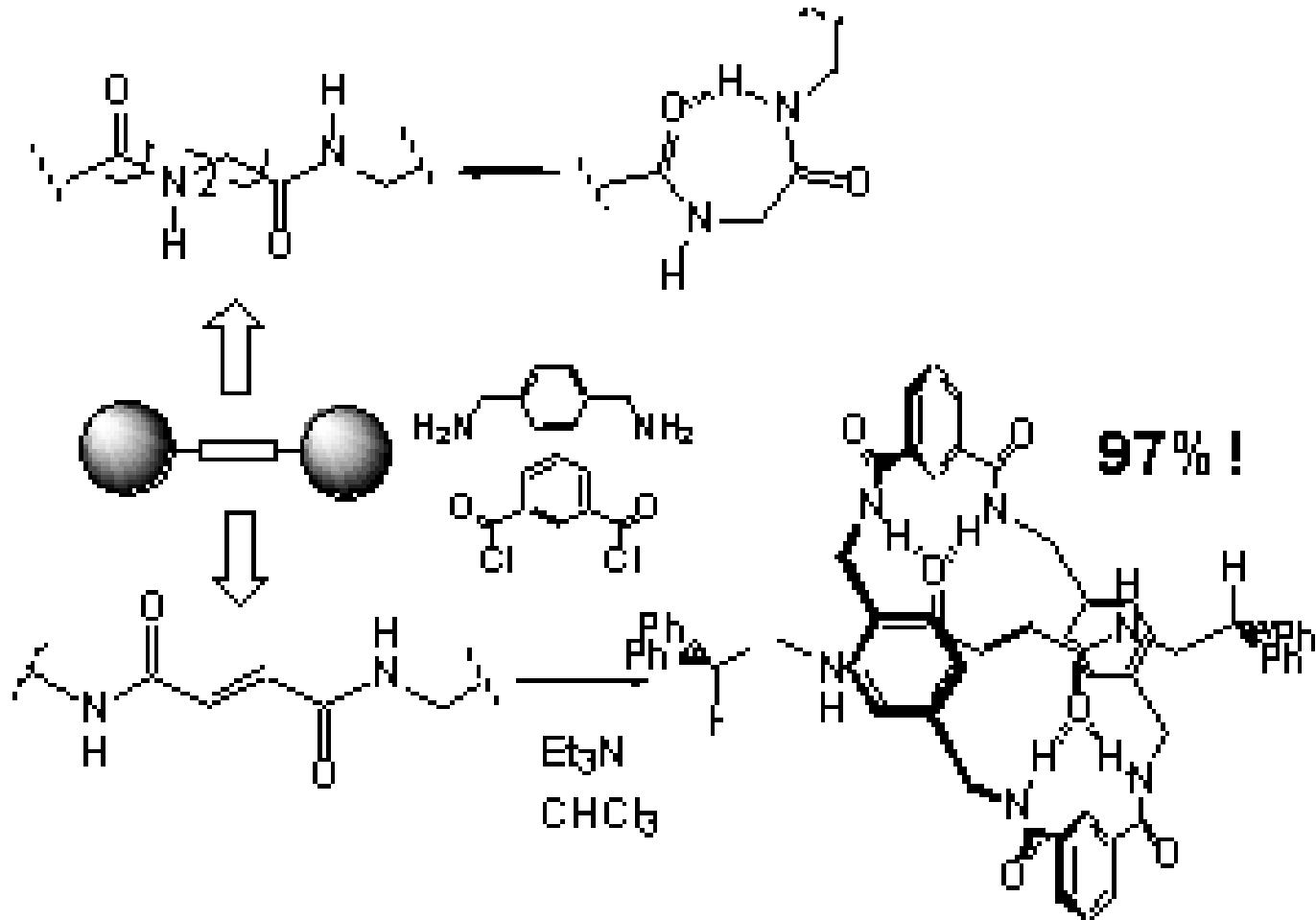


Tri ring catenane

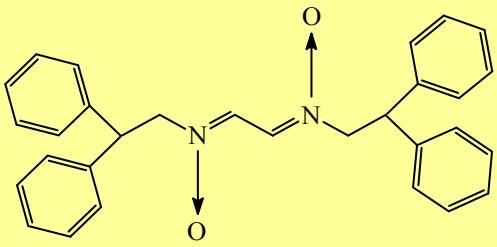
J. P. Sauvage, J. Weiss, JACS, 107(21), 1985



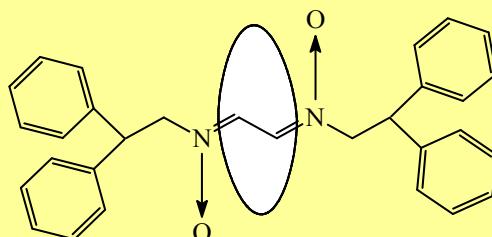
Synthesis Rotaxanes



Rotaxanes



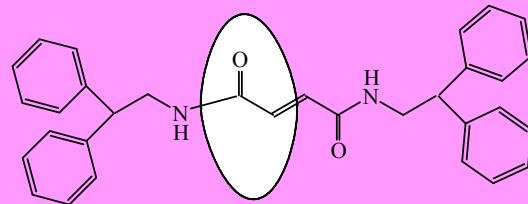
NOROT Thread



NOROT



FUMROT Thread



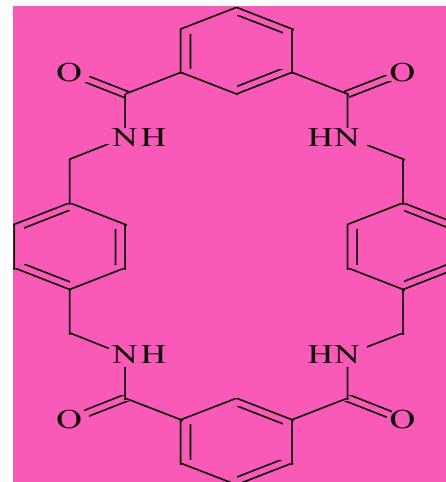
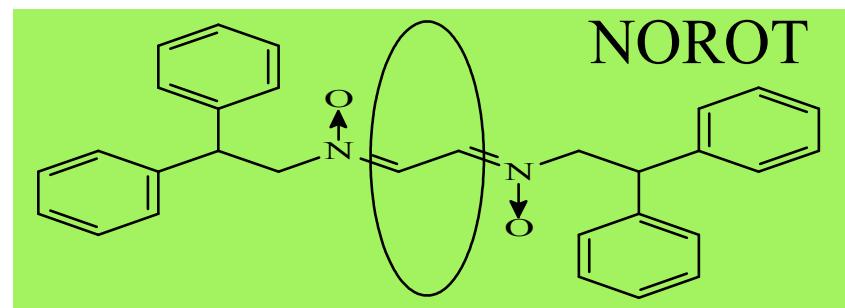
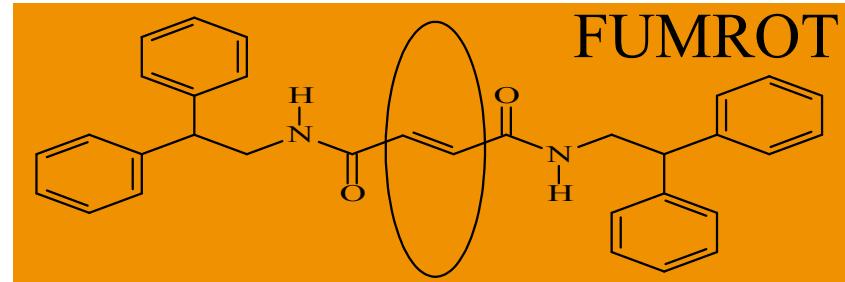
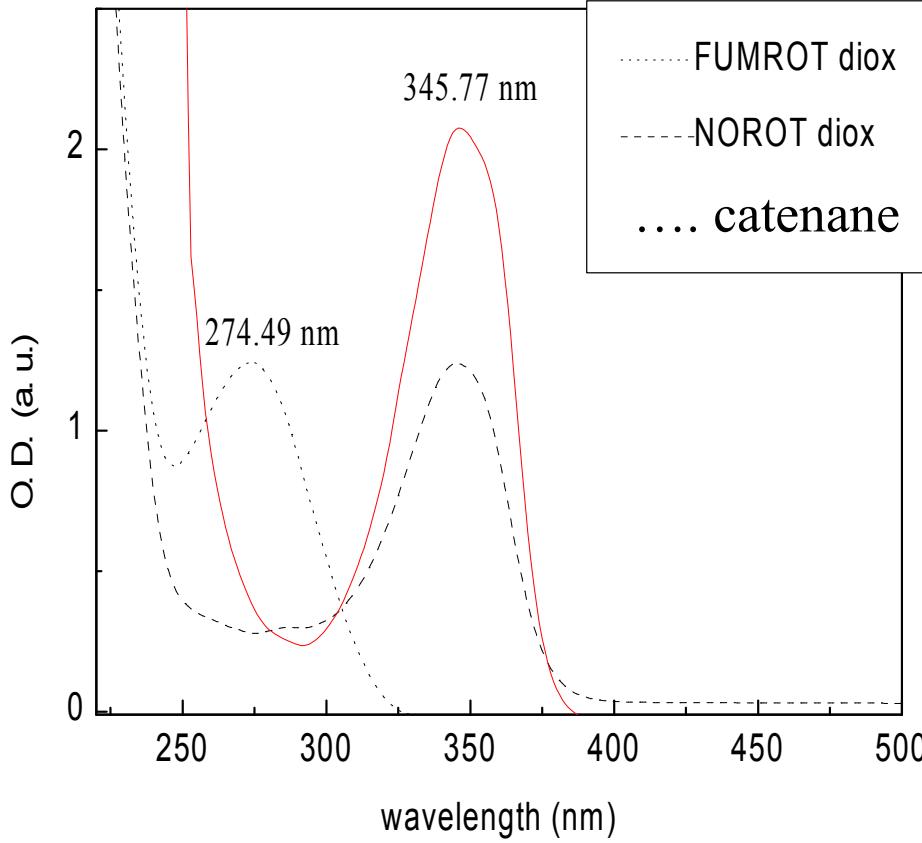
FUMROT

Polyrotaxanes



T. Lonjens, DSM

Absorption spectra



THIN FILMS

Thin films deposited on **glass**, **silicon**, **silver**, **mica** and **fused silica** substrates.

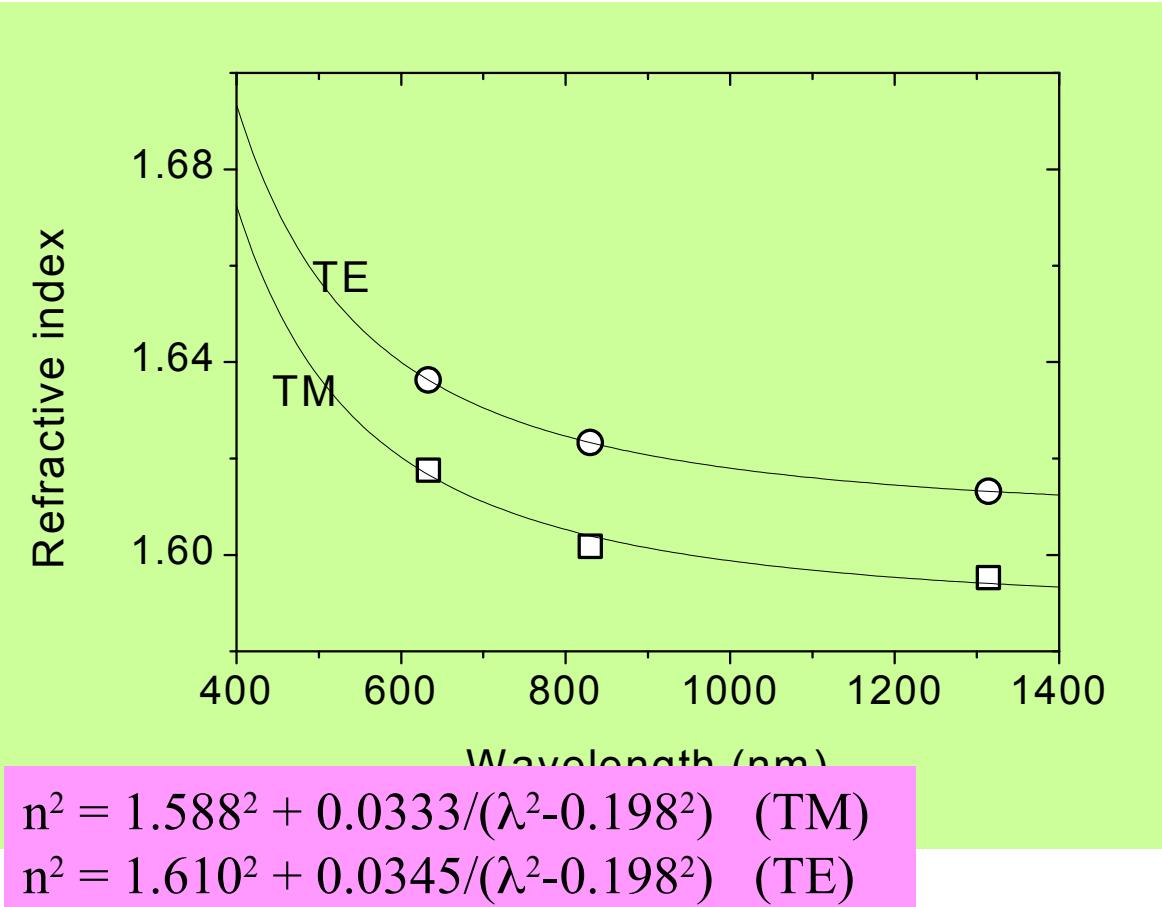
- Initial and final level of vacuum 10^{-6} and 10^{-5} Torr
- Powder and target temperatures 220°C and 25°C .
- Deposition rate 30 to 10 A/s.

Good quality

Refractive index m-lines spectroscopy.

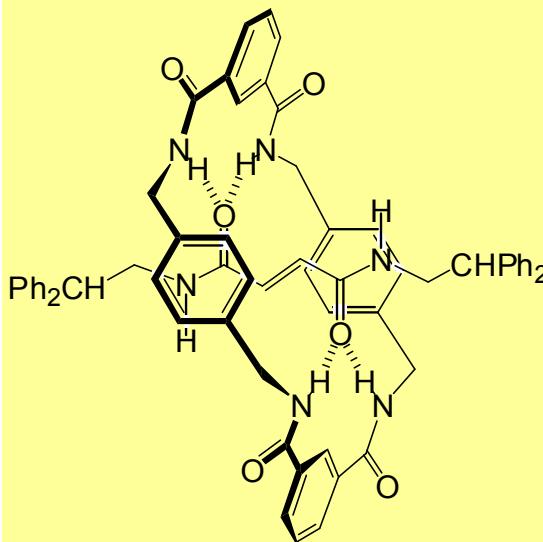
Thickness: m-lines spectroscopy when more than one guided more, and profilometry.

Thin films of CAT1

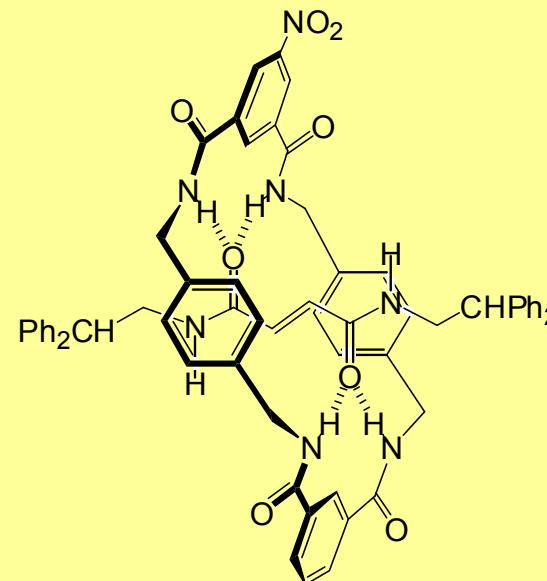


Functionalized rotaxanes with the nitro group

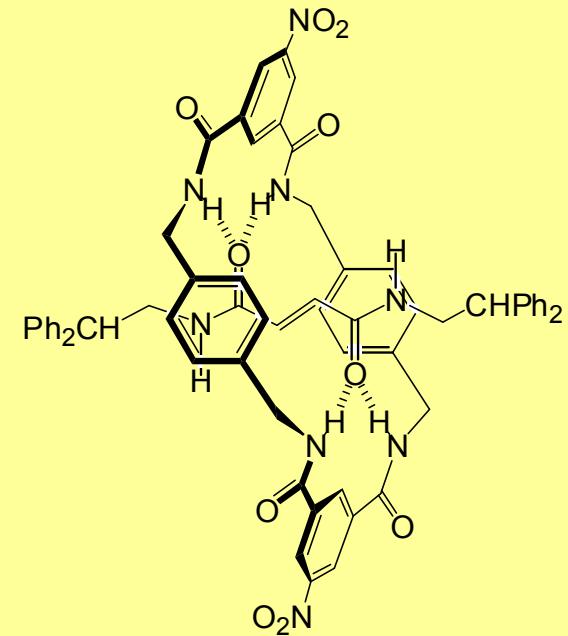
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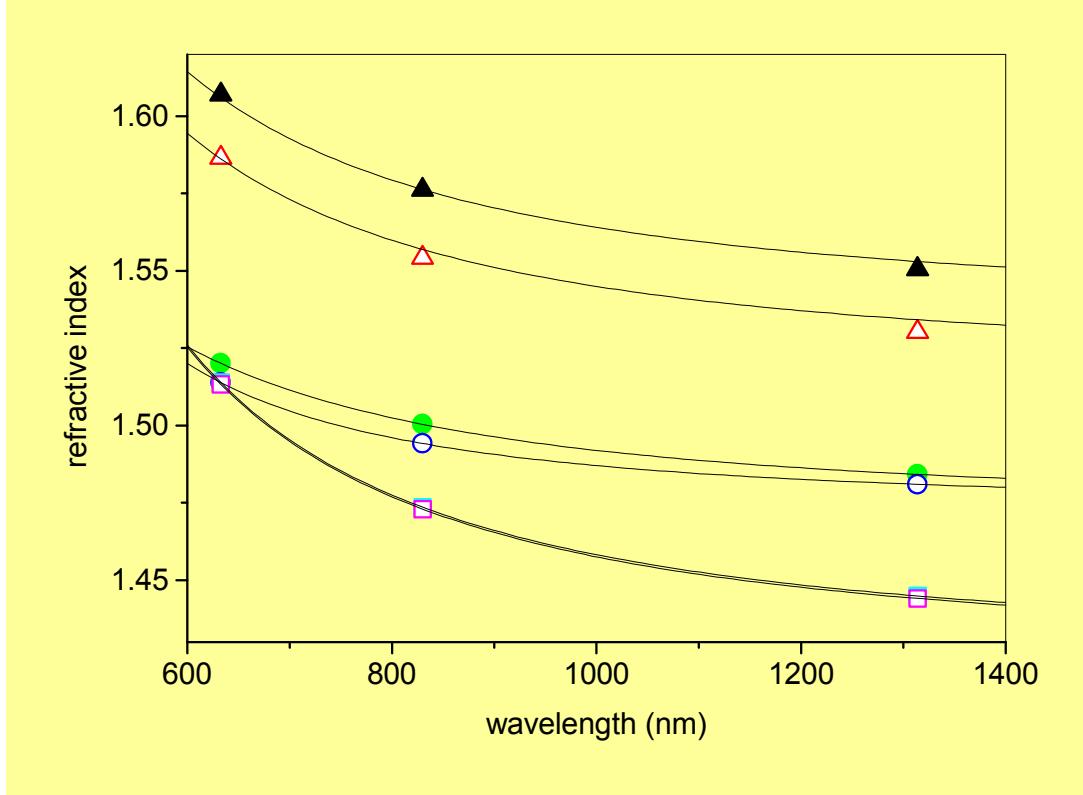
2



3



Control of order



rotaxane **1** - Δ , rotaxane **2** - O, rotaxane **3** - ϵ

ELECTRO-OPTIC Characterization

The EO Kerr effect can be used to study the equilibrium and dynamic properties of molecules in solution by applying a DC or AC field, including optical electric fields (optical Kerr effect).

- The study possible for all molecules, with center of inversion (induced dipole moment) or not
- The induced birefringence (change of the refractive index in direction parallel and perpendicular to E field) is proportional to the square of the applied electric field

$$(\Delta n_{\perp} - \Delta n_{\parallel}) = B \lambda E^2$$

EO Kerr effect

$$(\Delta n_{\perp} - \Delta n_{II}) = B \lambda E^2$$

$$B \propto \chi^{(3)}(-\omega_l; \omega, -\omega, \omega_{el})$$

The produced phase shift:

$$\partial\phi = \Delta k l = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} l (\Delta n_{\perp} - \Delta n_{II}) = 2\pi B l E^2$$

The signal can be separated from disturbing light with a lock-in amplifier 

$$\partial\phi = 2\pi B \lambda \left[\frac{1}{2} E^2 - \frac{1}{2} E^2 \cos 2\omega_{el} t \right]$$

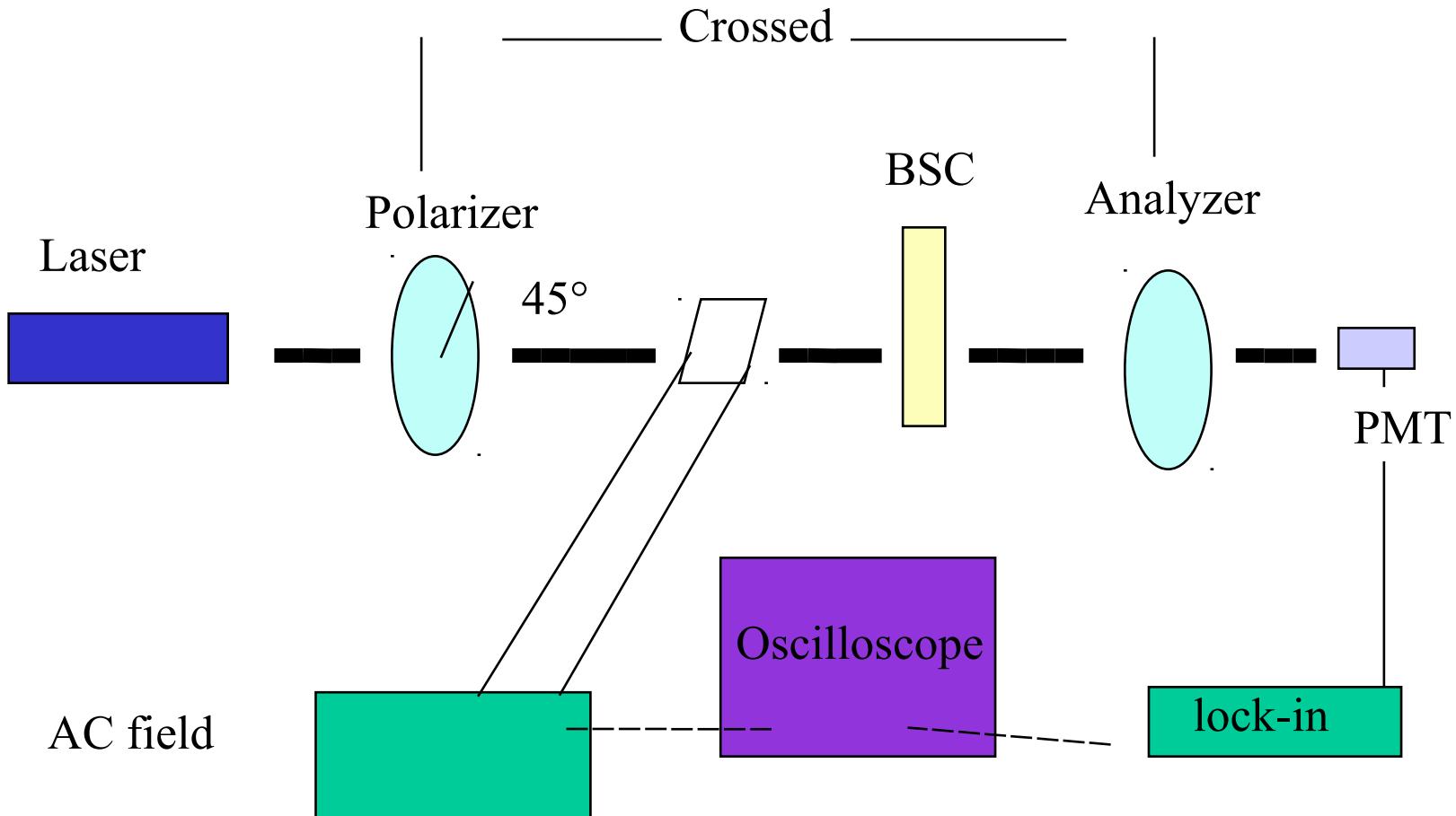
Interest in application of AC electric fields

AC electric fields → address molecular level structures

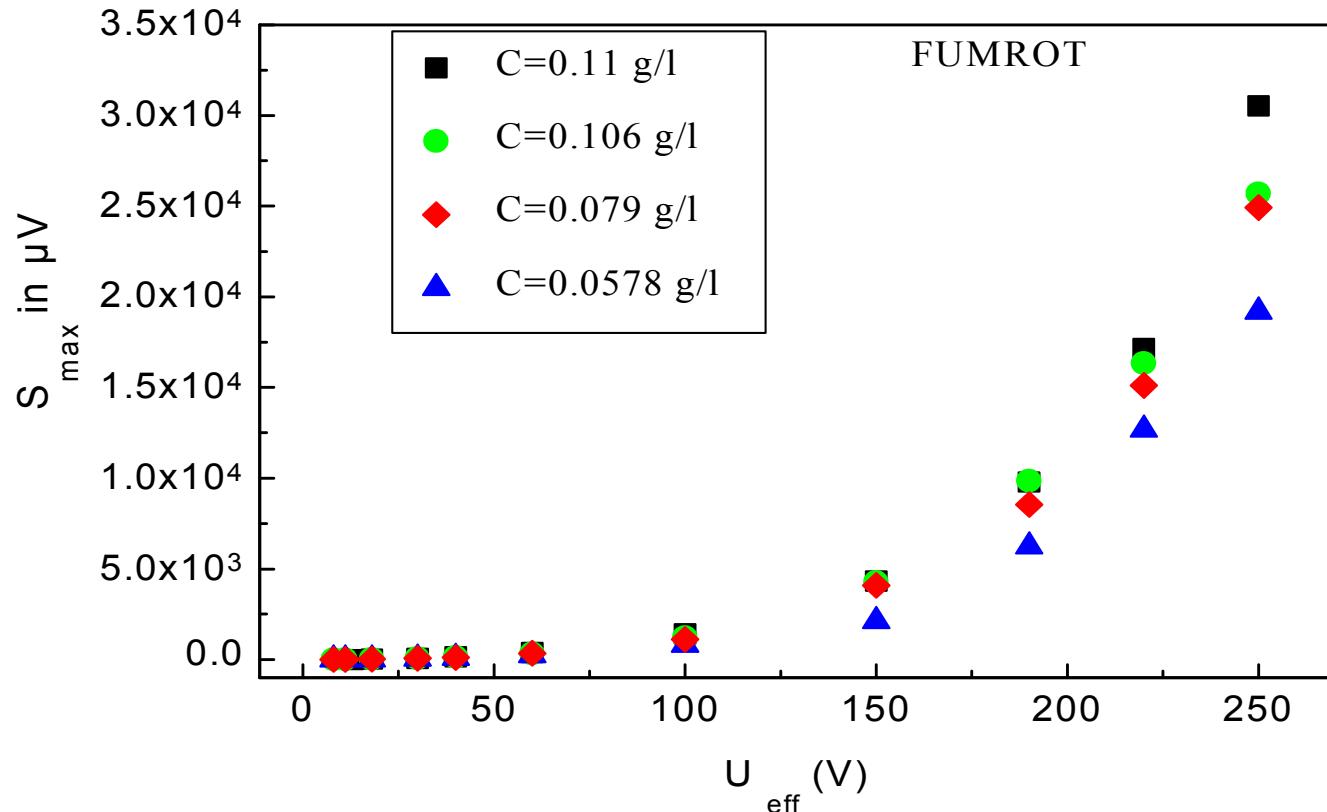
- probing electronic structures
- bring about the orientation of whole molecules
(phenomenon exploited in liquid crystal displays).
- interaction with large internal molecular motion

Electro-optic Kerr effect experimental setup

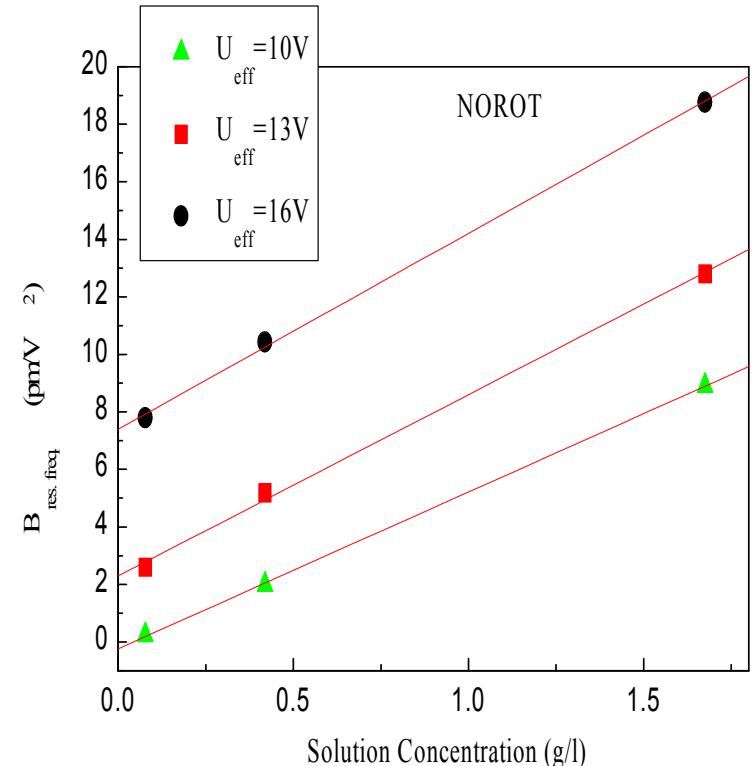
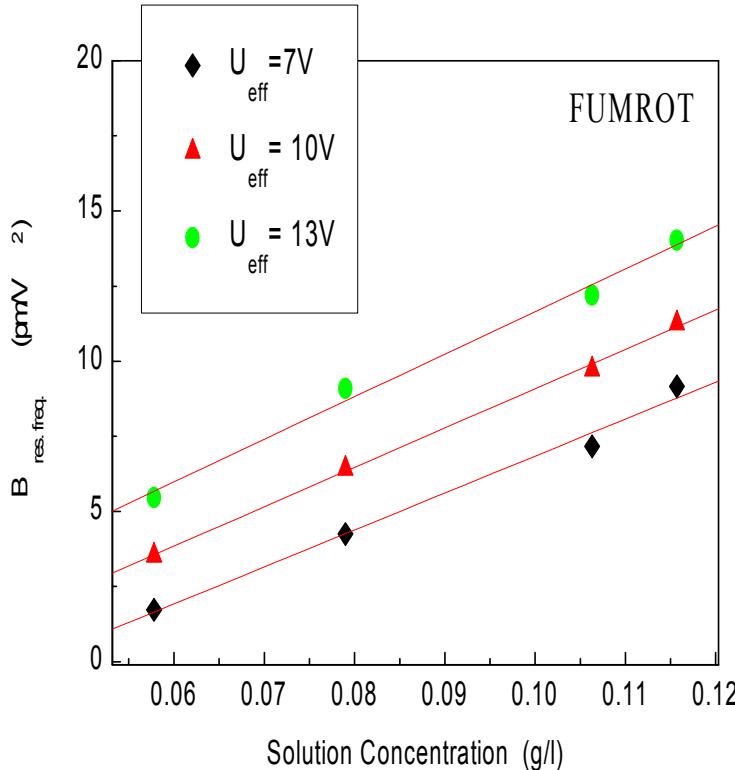
Cell 20 μ m



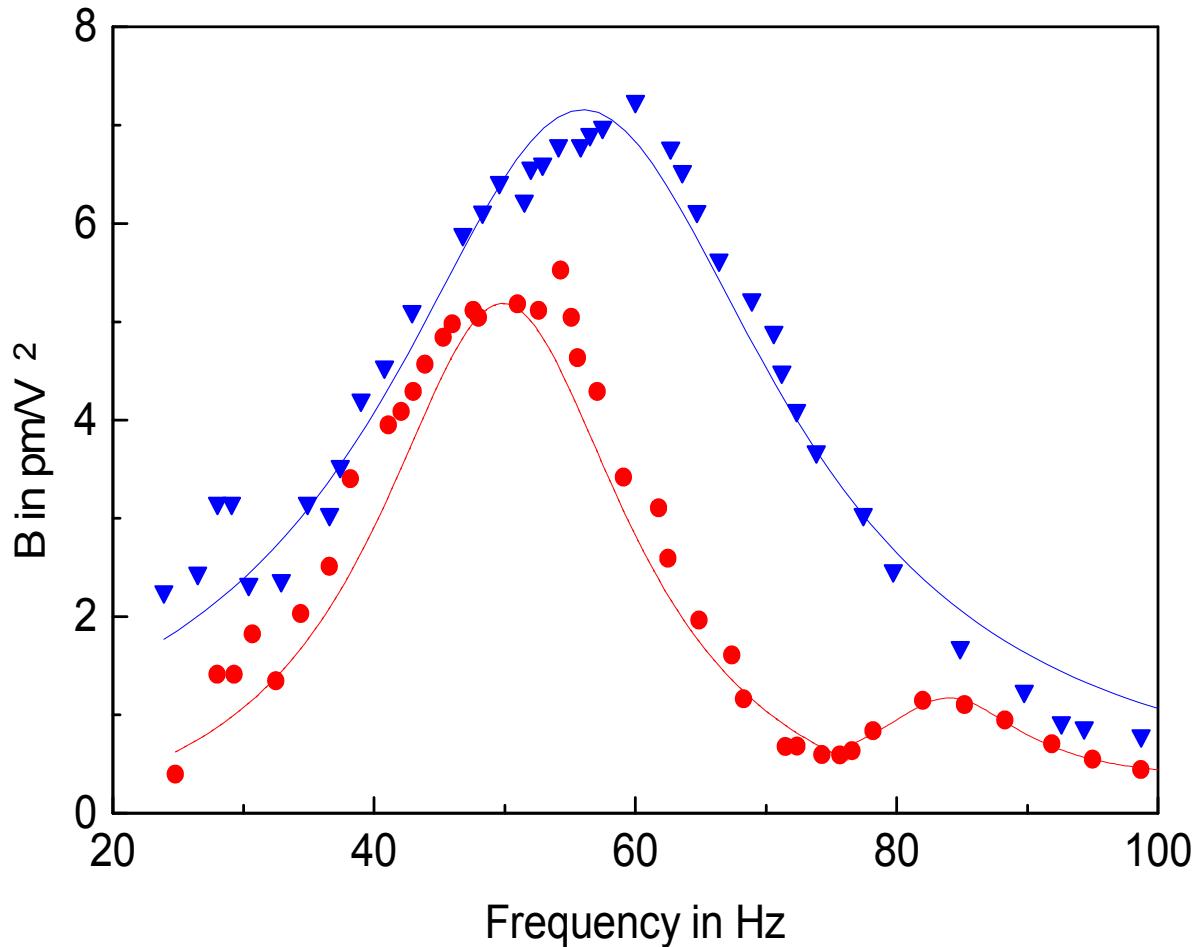
With U_{eff} (V)



With concentration



Resonance frequency



DIOXAN

57.7Hz NOROT

53.3Hz FUMROT
83Hz

$U_{\text{eff}} = 7\text{V}$

$E = 0.35 \text{ V}/\mu\text{m}$

VT ^1H NMR spectroscopy

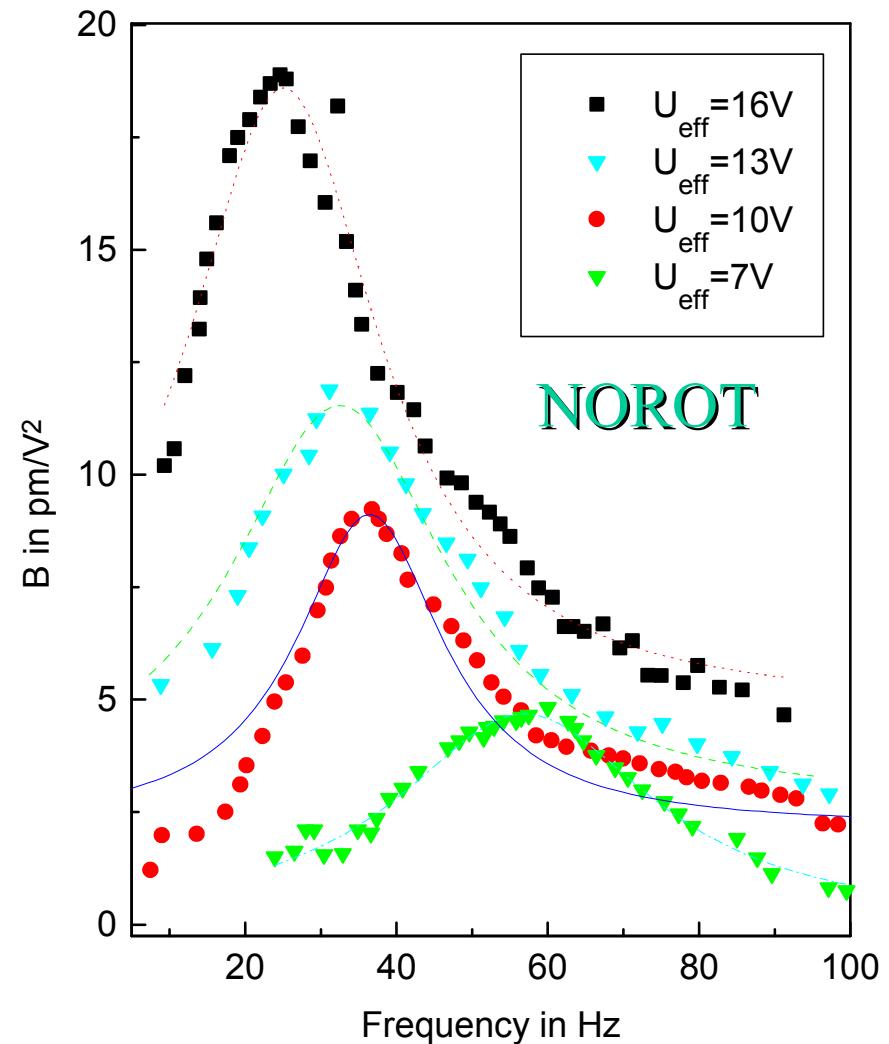
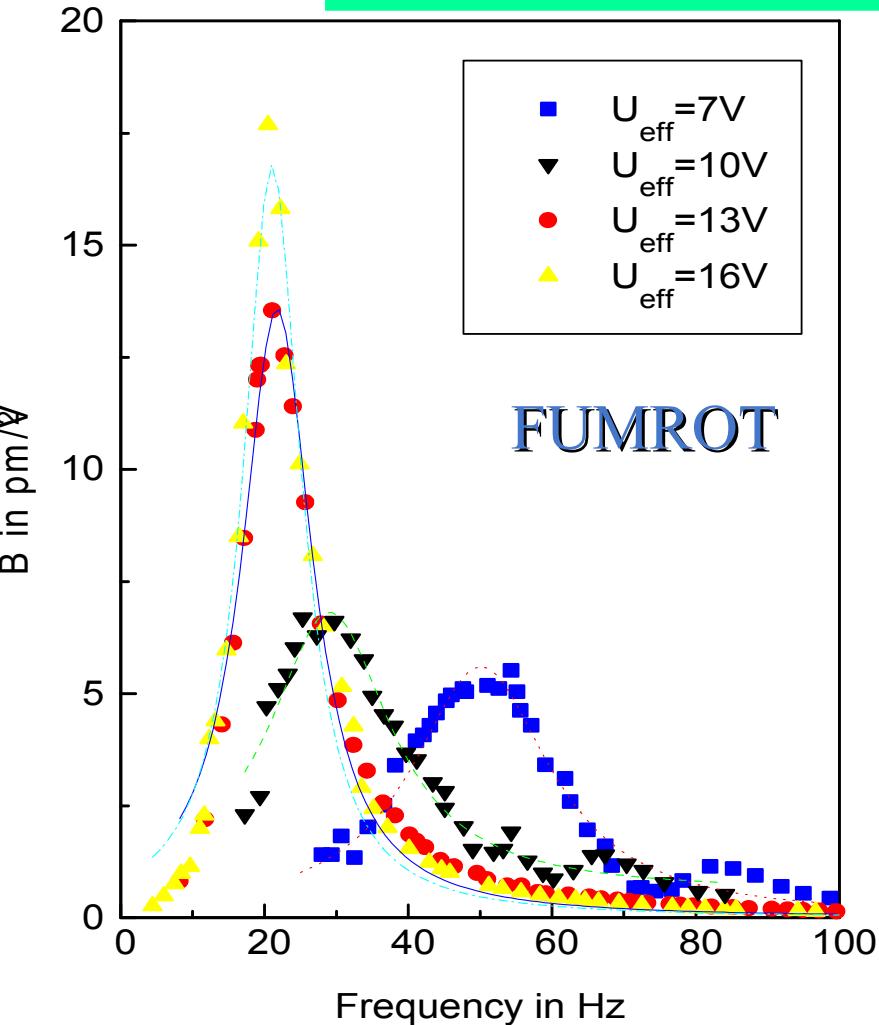
D. Leigh, Univ. Warwick, UK

	E _a (kcal/mol)	K (Hz)	Motion
NOROT	12.2	405	pure rotation
FUMROT	13.4	340	more complex motion

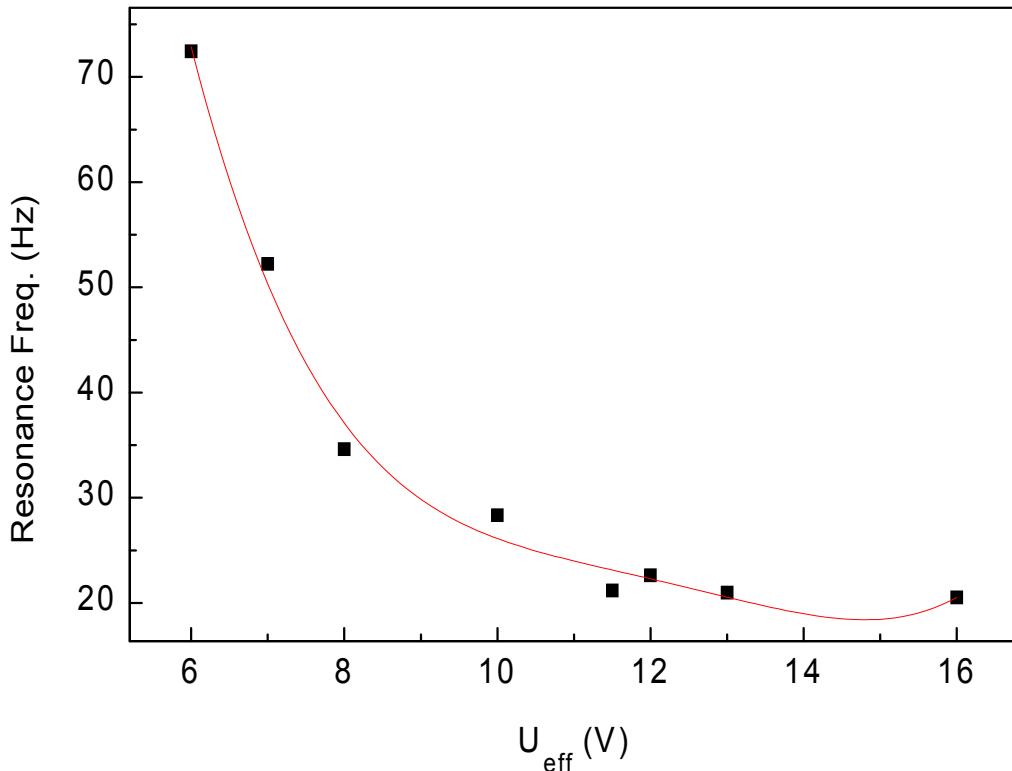
Solvent: 80% 1,4 dioxane/ 20% C₂D₂Cl₄

Simulation to understand what kind of motions

Applied Voltage



NMR and EO measurements



FUMROT
Extrapolating:
 $U_{\text{eff}} = 0\text{V}$
Res. Freq. = **671 Hz**

Agreement



MODEL

F. Zerbetto. Chemistry Dpt. Univ. Bologne. Italy



Molecular mechanics and dynamics
through the **TINKER** package
(<http://dasher.wustl.edu/tinker>)

MM3 force field
has already given good results
for rotaxanes and catenanes

Thermodynamics
to get activation energies and ΔG

RESULTS

E _a (kcal/mol)	NOROT	FUMROT
Experimental	12.2	13.4
Calculations	11.2	13.9
Motions	pure rotation "pirouetting"	"pirouetting" AND "scissoring"

SHG and Order

Thin films with axial symmetry: ∞mm

$$\chi_{ZZZ}^{(2)}(-2\omega; \omega, \omega) = NF\beta_{eff}(-2\omega; \omega, \omega) <\cos^3 \Theta>$$

$$\chi_{XXZ}^{(2)}(-2\omega; \omega, \omega) = \frac{1}{2}NF\beta_{eff}(-2\omega; \omega, \omega) <\sin^2 \Theta \cos \Theta>$$

$$<\cos^3 \theta> \propto \left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{4}{7} < P_2 > + \frac{8}{35} < P_4 > \right)$$

$$<\sin^2 \theta \cos \theta> \propto \left(\frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{21} < P_2 > - \frac{8}{70} < P_4 > \right)$$

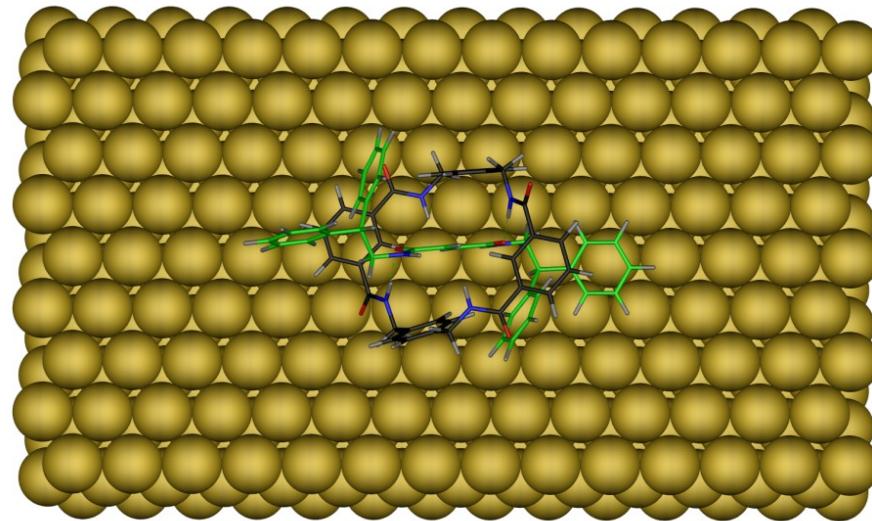
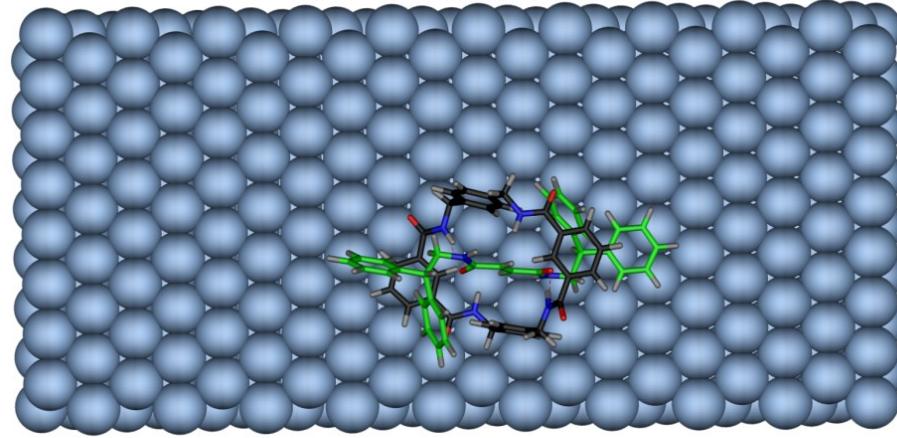
Goals

- Test order of molecules in deposited thin layer
- Principle: order determined by the ratio:

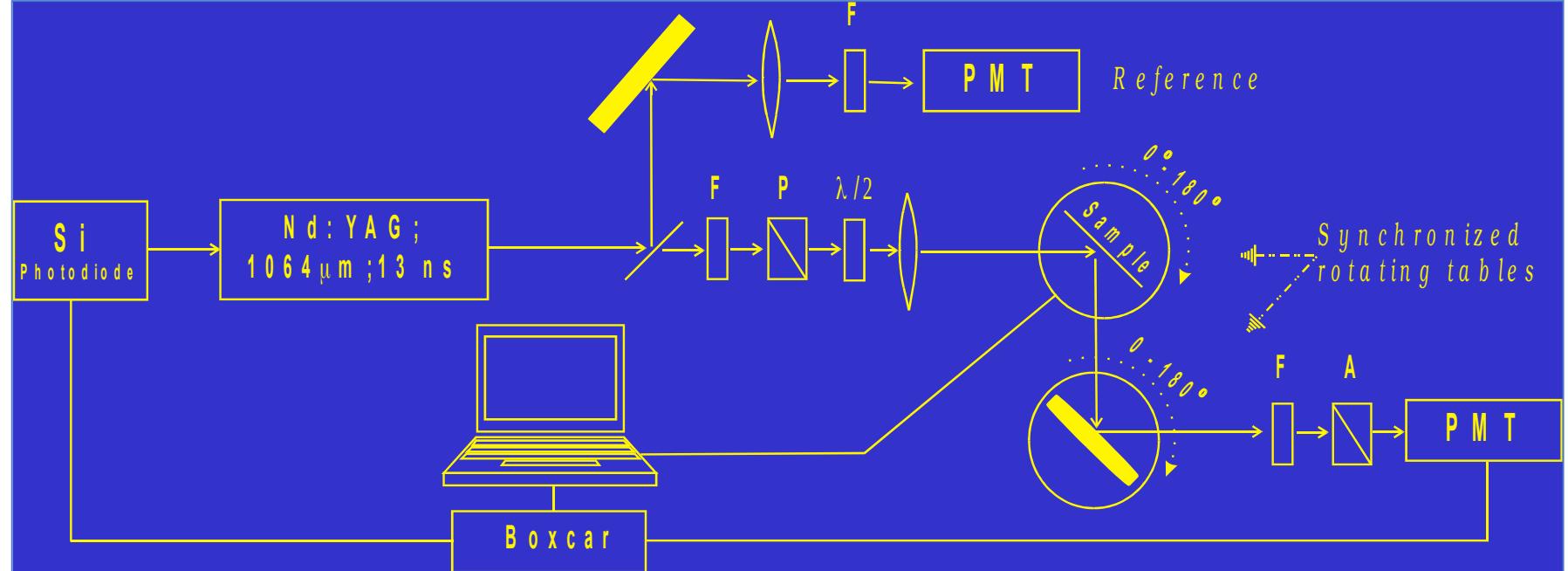
$$a = \frac{\chi_{ZZZ}^{(2)}(-2\omega; \omega, \omega)}{\chi_{XXZ}^{(2)}(-2\omega; \omega, \omega)}$$

$$1 < a < \infty$$

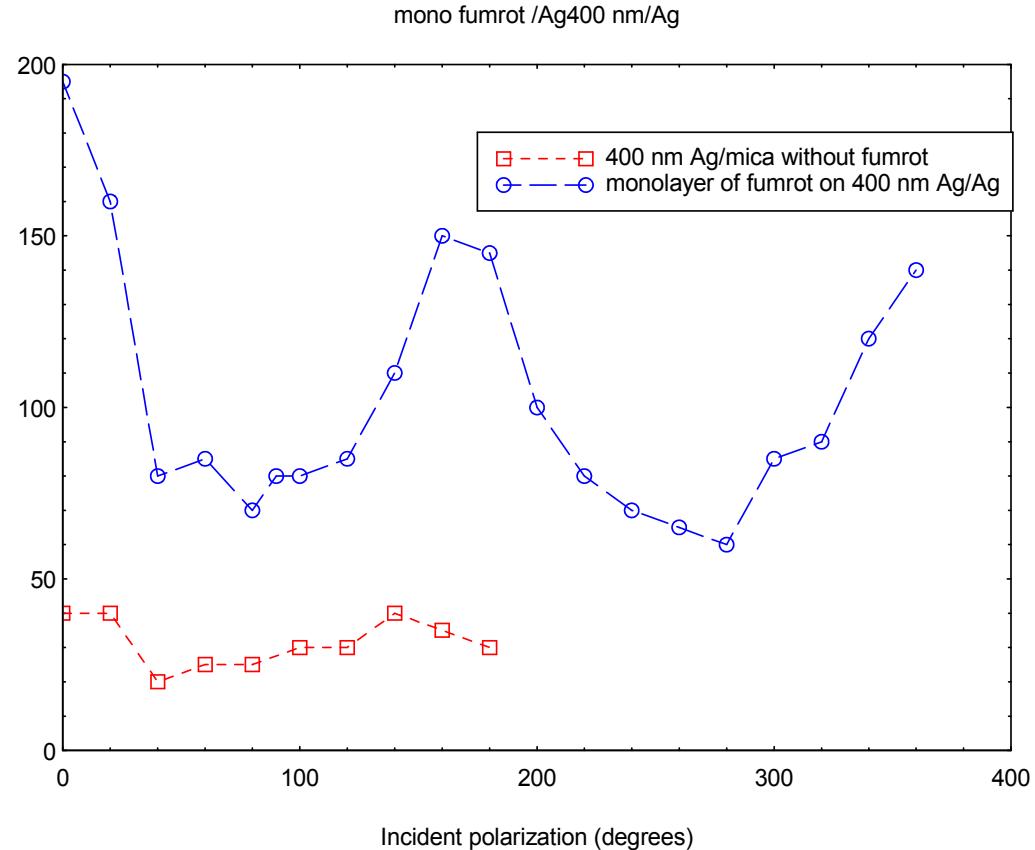
Fumrot on Ag



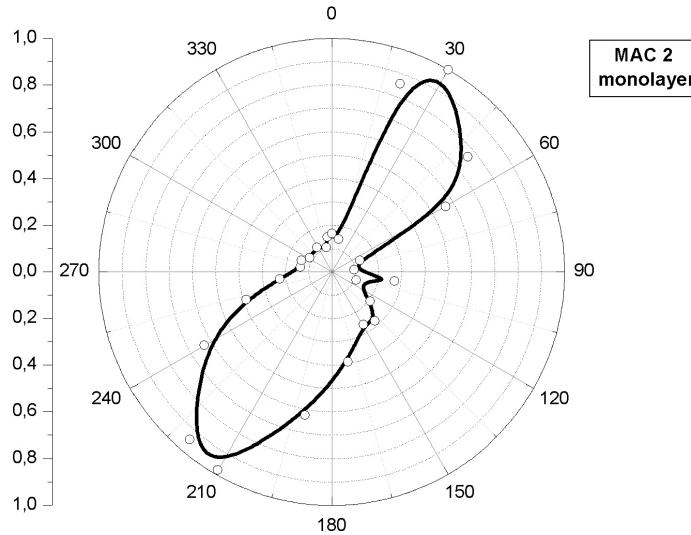
Second Harmonic Generation In Reflection



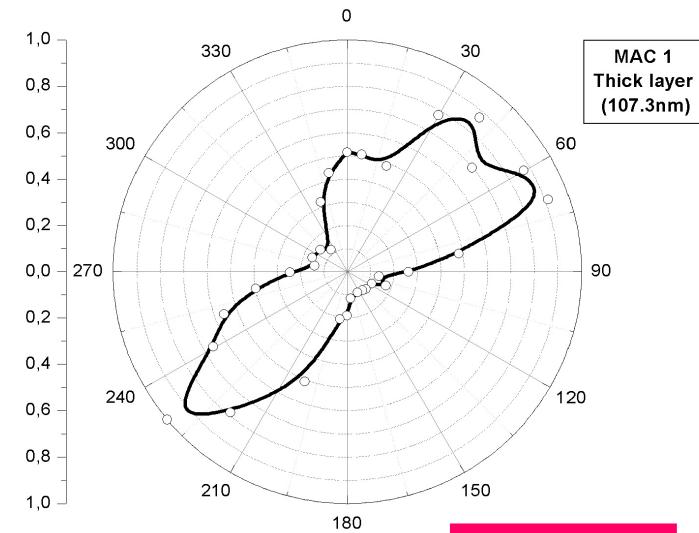
Monolayer of Fumrot



Multi- and monolayer of MAC

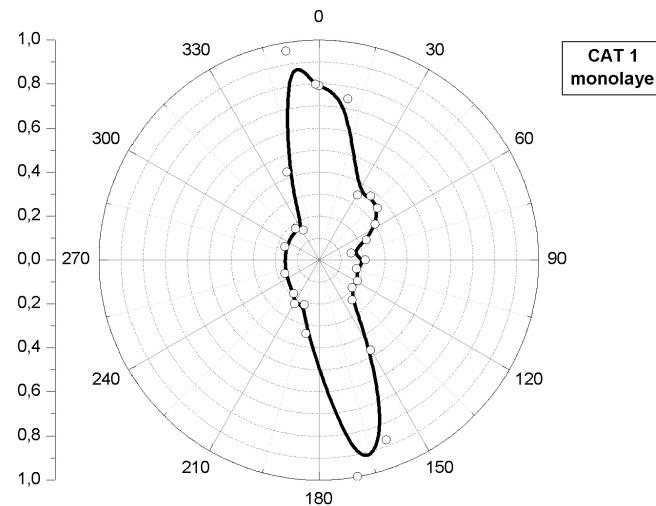


$$a \approx 7.2$$



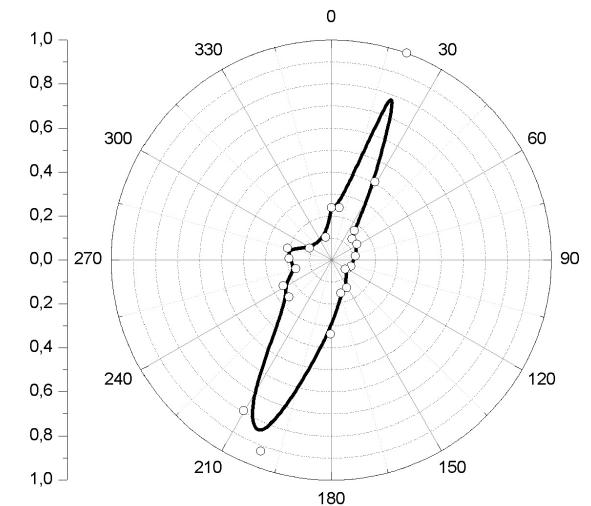
$$a \approx 6.6$$

Monolayer and multilayer of CAT1



CAT 1
monolayer

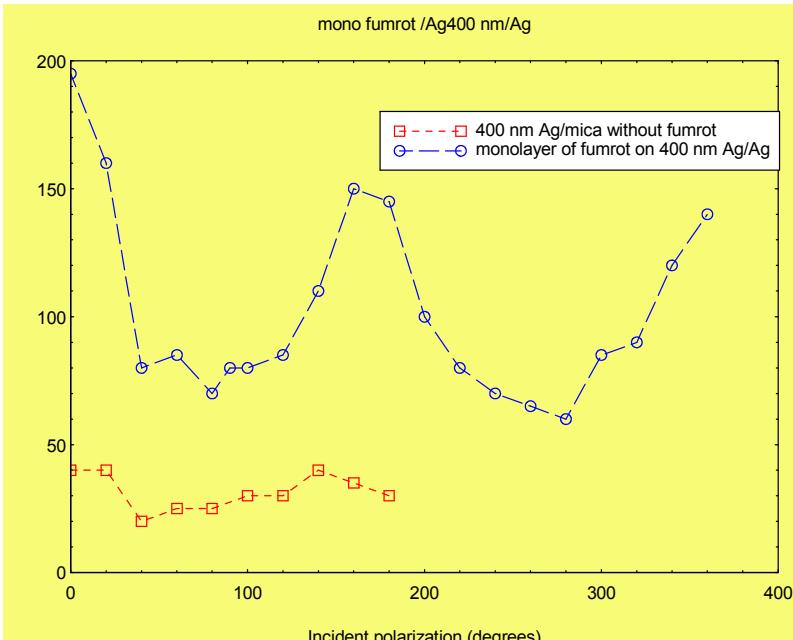
$$a \approx 4.8$$



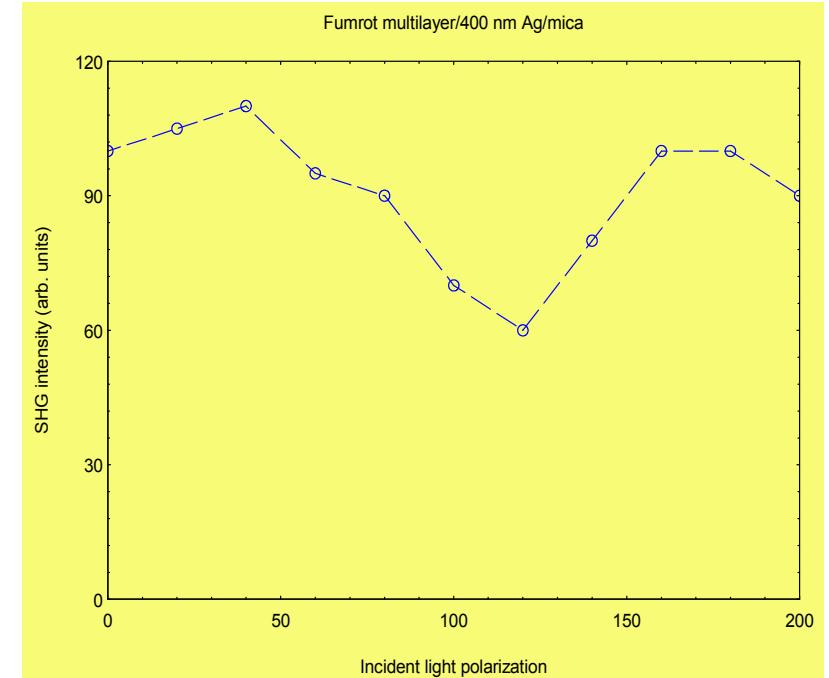
CAT 2
13.7 nm

$$a \approx 5.5$$

Mono- & multilayer of Fumrot



$$a \approx 3$$



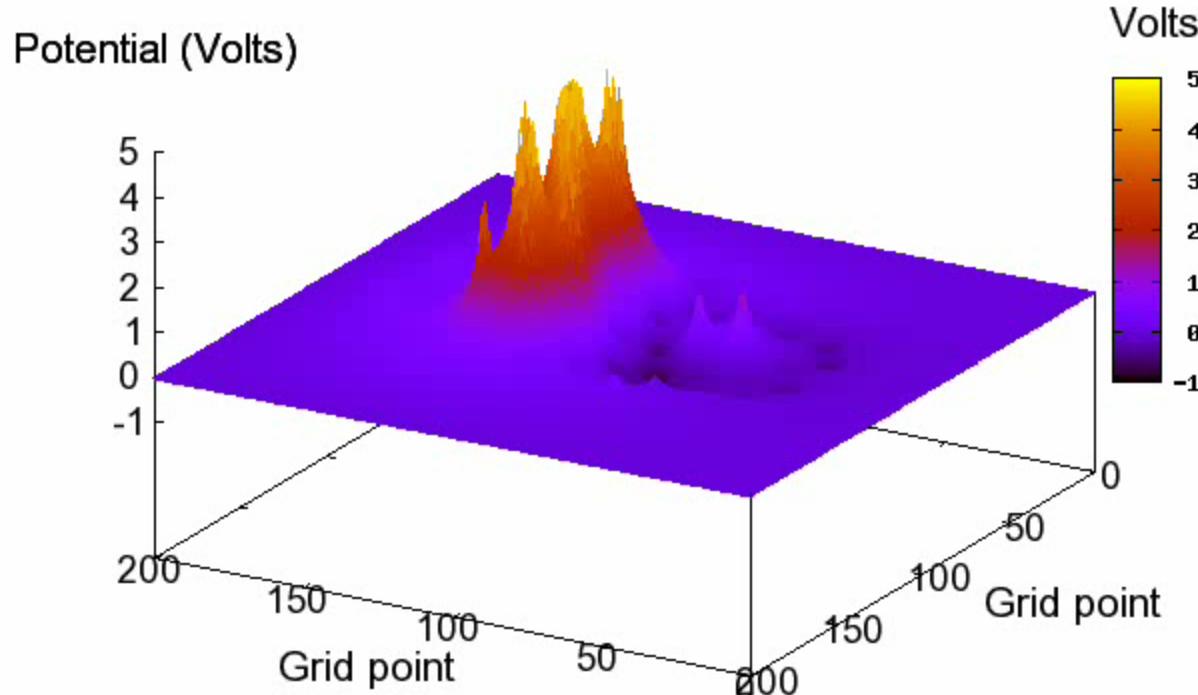
$$a \approx 1.3$$

Results

Thin Film	Structure	a
Macrocycle	Multilayer	6.6
Macrocycle	Monolayer	7.2
Catenane	Multilayer	5.5
Catenane	Monolayer	4.8
Fumrot	Multilayer	1.3
Fumrot	Monolayer	3.0

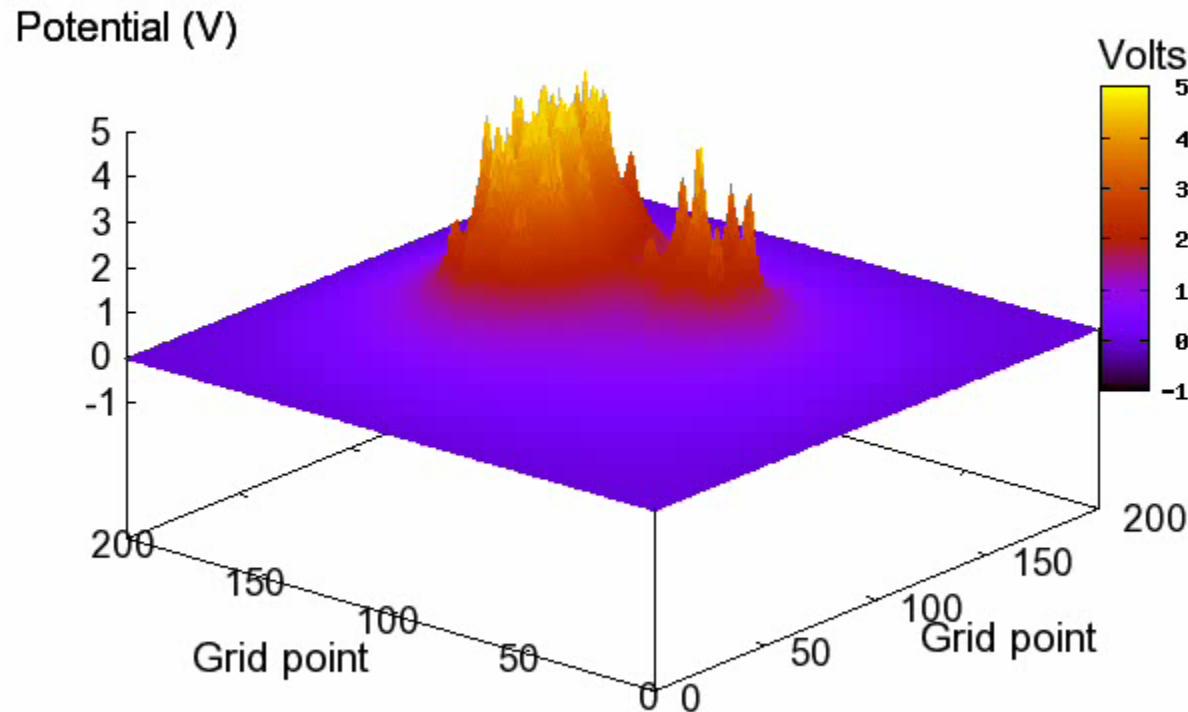
E above Au surface

Electrostatic potential above the Au(111) surface



E above Ag surface

The electric field above the Ag(111) surface



Results of Delphi4 calculations

Rotaxane volume on Au(111): 1372.54 Å³ in 171 567 grid points

Rotaxane volume on Ag(111): 1340.86 Å³ in 167 607 grid points

Electric field experienced by the rotaxane on Au(111): 7.0 MV/cm

Electric field experienced by the rotaxane on Ag(111): 15.0 MV/cm

Depth ≈ 9 Å

$\chi^{(2)}$ susceptibility

$$\chi^2(-2\omega; \omega, \omega) = NF\gamma(-2\omega; \omega, \omega, 0)E$$

assuming: $\gamma(-2\omega; \omega, \omega, 0) \approx \gamma(-3\omega; \omega, \omega, \omega)$

$$\chi^{(2)\text{EFISH}}(-2\omega; \omega, \omega) \approx \downarrow 24.2 \text{ pm/V}$$

$$\chi^{(2)\text{exper}}(-2\omega; \omega, \omega) \approx 23.4 \text{ pm/V (9\AA)}$$



APPLICATIONS



Electronically Configurable Logic Gates.

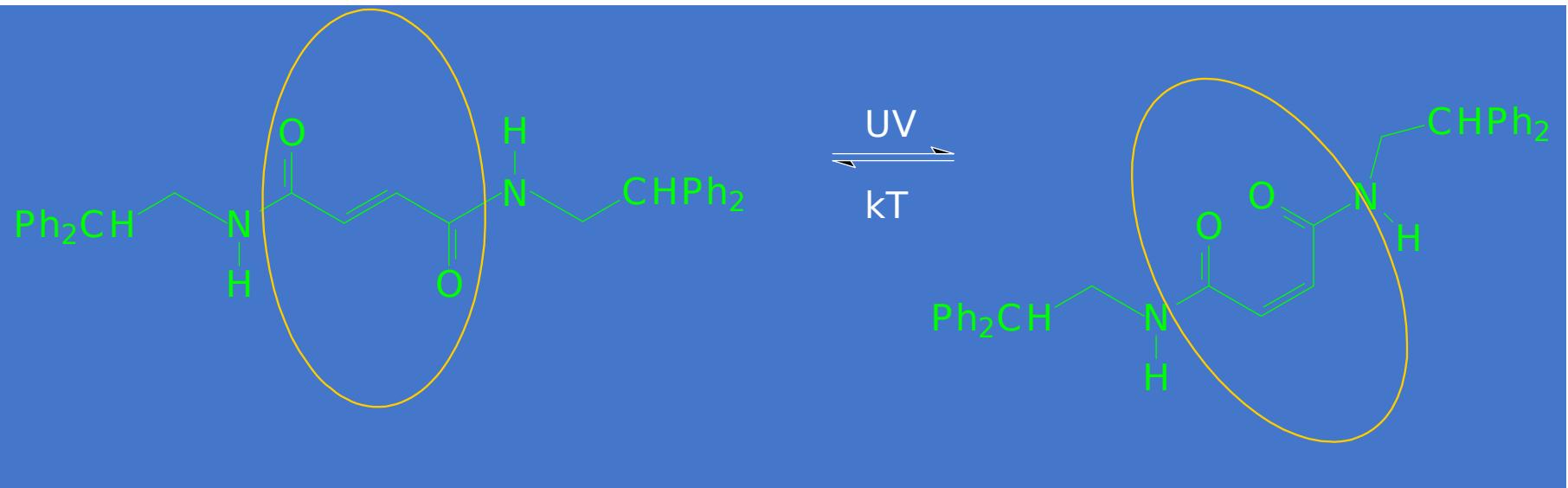
(C. P. Collier et al. Science 285, 391 (1999))

Photoinduced electron transfer coupled to Molecular motion.

(Maria-Jesus Blanco et al. Chem Soc. Rev. 28, 293 (1999))

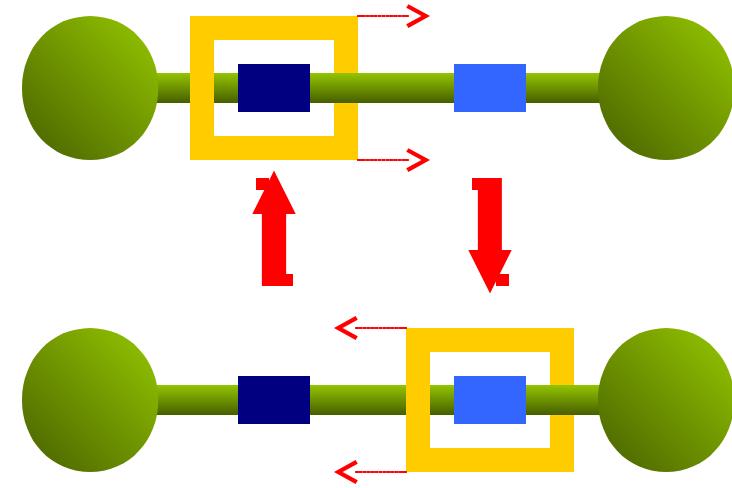
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Possible clipping mechanism

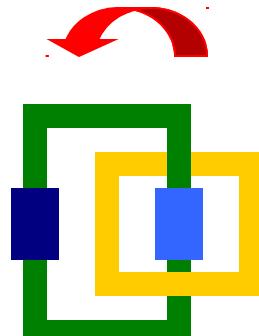


Rotaxanes

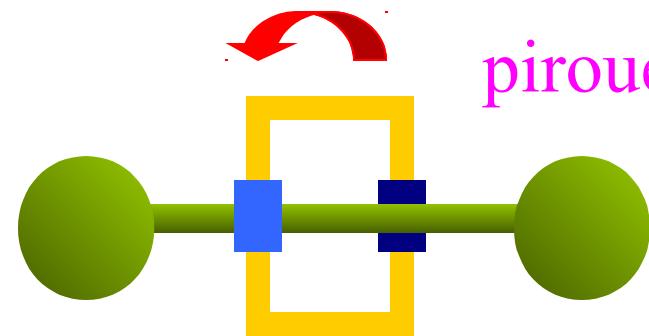
shuttling



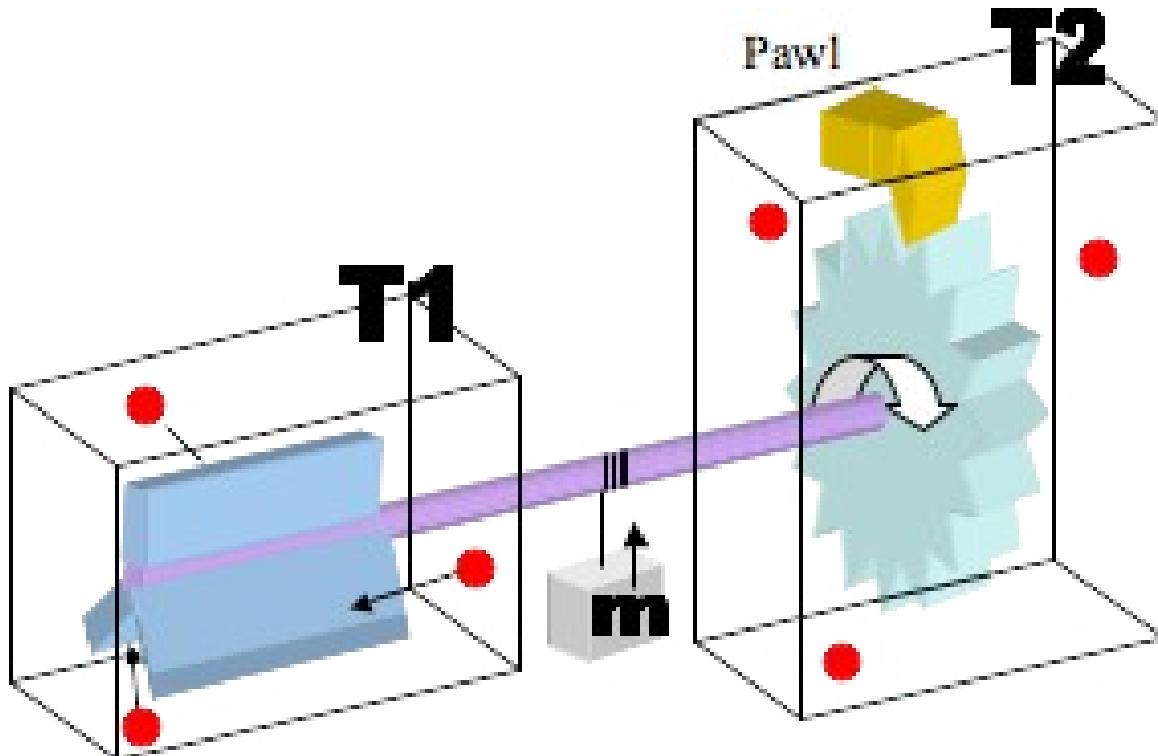
clipping



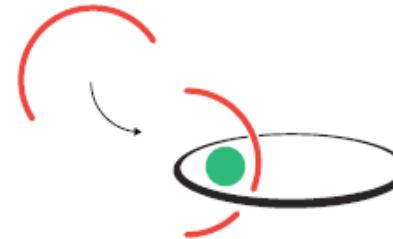
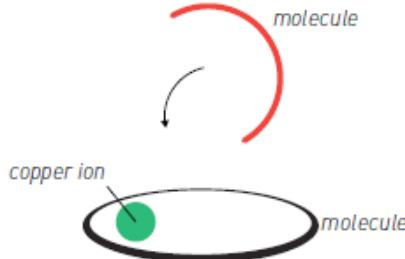
pirouetting



Brownian ratchet (Smoluchowski)



Heavy atom removal



1 The molecules that will form a chain are attracted to a copper ion.



2 The copper ion gathers the molecules.

3 A third molecule is linked to the crescent-shaped molecule.

4 The molecules are linked by a mechanical bond. The copper ion is removed.

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Summary

- Molecular engineering allows to conceive and synthesize molecules with desired properties
- Control of macroscopic properties through the molecule design
- EO Kerr effect gives information about the macrocycle rotation in Rotaxanes
- Macrocycle rotates slightly **faster** in NOROT than in FUMROT. The first resonance is ascribed to the **macrocycle pirouetting** and the second, to the **scissoring motion**
- The rotation speed can be controlled by the external field
- Use silver plates and cutlery. Gold are OK too
- Applications to come

Dzieki za uwagę

