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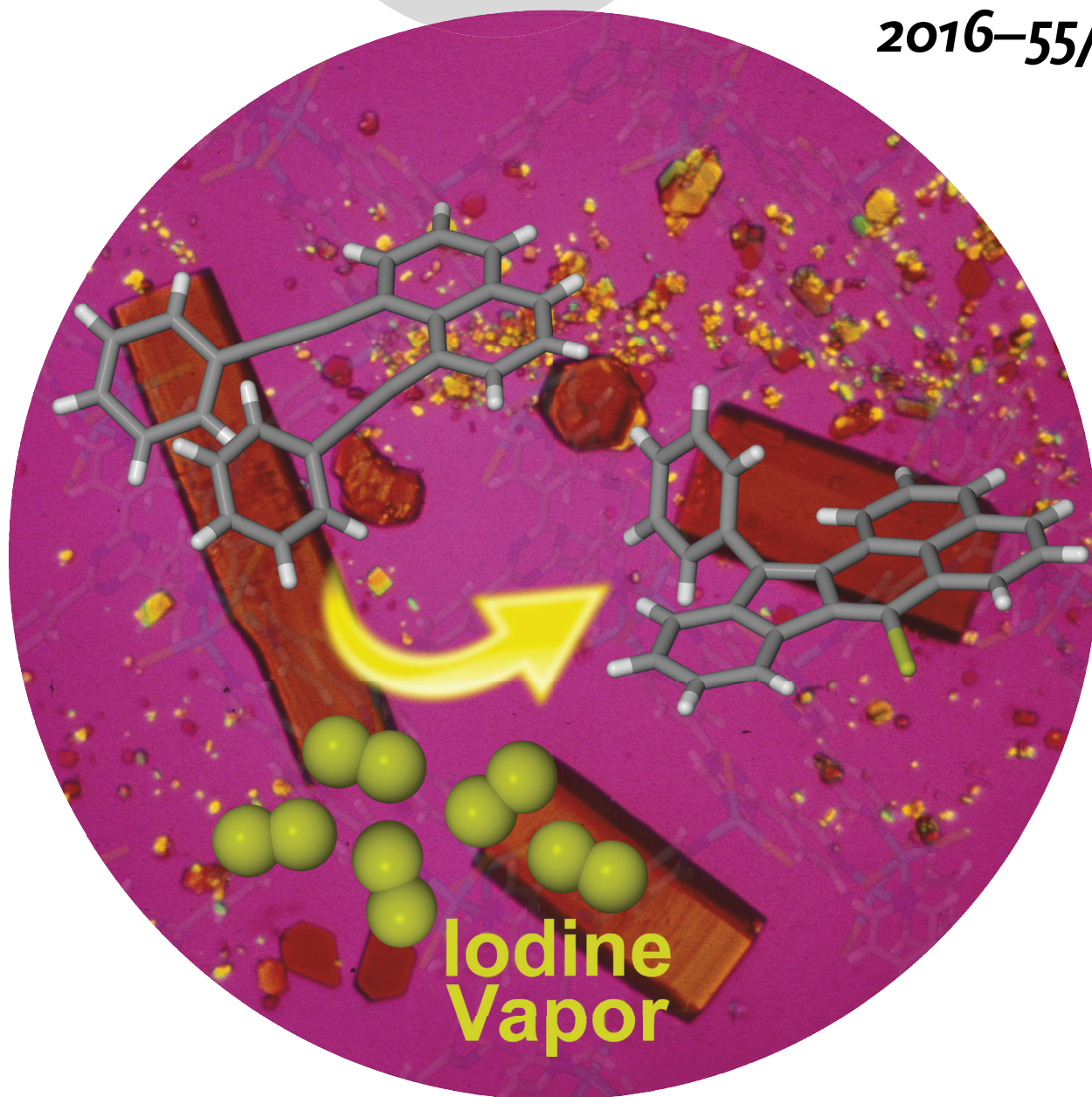
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The iodine-vapor-induced ...

... cyclization of 1,8-bis(2-phenylethynyl)naphthalene (shown on the left) into the corresponding indeno[2,1- α]phenalene species (on the right) in the host environment of a zinc-containing crystalline molecular flask is described by A. D. Burrows and co-workers in their Communication on page 5943 ff. The cyclization was monitored spectroscopically and found to proceed under mild conditions and without the need to suspend the crystals in solvent.

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