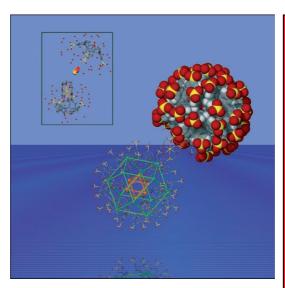
# Russian dolls...

... partially formed through the use of diffusion-ordered spectroscopy are described by C. L. Raston et al. in the Full Paper on page 2772 ff. Such arrangements have been used to assemble nanometerscale cuboctahedral spheroids in the solid state; these results suggest that the build-up mechanism would be "molecular capsule" to "cuboctahedron", given the binding of a sodium [18]crown-6 complex by *p*-sulfonatocalix[4]arene  $(K_{\rm a} \approx 3.1 \times 10^3 \,{\rm M}^{-1})$ , and that the cuboctahedra assemble with lanthanide [18]crown-6 guest species.



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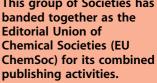








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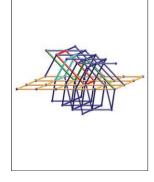
### High-Affinity Ligands

A new approach which makes use of interligand nuclear Overhauser effect NMR measurements has been developed to detect high-affinity ligands. This technique, which is described by M. Pellecchia and B. Becattini in their Concept article on page 2658 ff., allows for an identification of small molecules as potential drug candidates and the elucidation of the drug–protein interactions without the need for specific assays. The new approach is of general applicability and could prove very powerful in reverse chemical-genetics studies, target validation, and lead discovery.

#### **Chiral Depsipeptide Dendrimers**

In their Full Paper on page 2663 ff., A. Hirsch and coworkers describe the self-assembly of a homotritopic Hamilton receptor with chiral depsipeptides, which leads to the highly cooperative formation of chiral supramolecular dendrimers.





#### **Eight-Connected Entangled Frameworks**

In their Full Paper on page 2680 ff., E.-B. Wang and coworkers describe the synthesis and structure of a series of 3D entangled coordination frameworks based on different metal cores, among which,  $[Cd_3(bdc)_3(L_2)(H_2O)_2]$  displays an unprecedented eight-connected  $4^{20}6^8$  topology.

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