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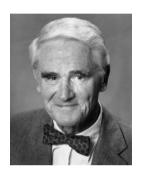
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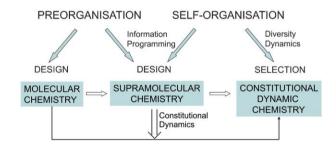
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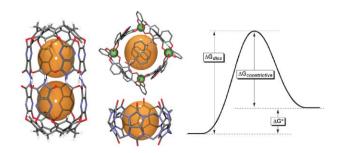
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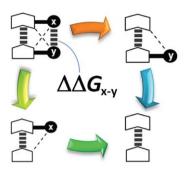
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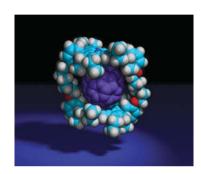


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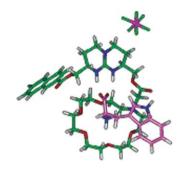


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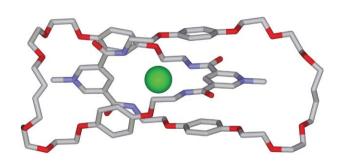


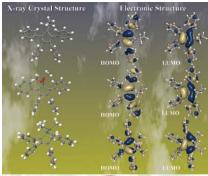
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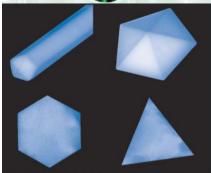
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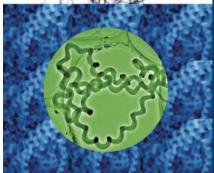












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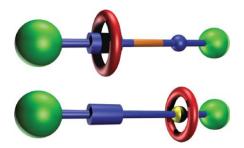
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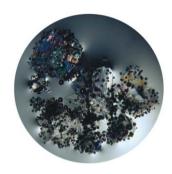


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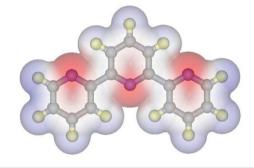


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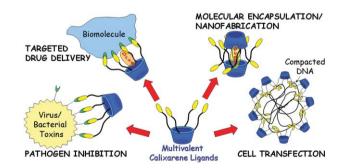


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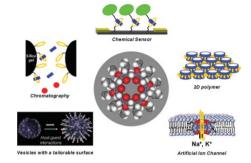
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Functionalized cucurbiturils and their applications

Kimoon Kim,* Narayanan Selvapalam, Young Ho Ko, Kyeng Min Park, Dongwoo Kim and Jeeyeon Kim

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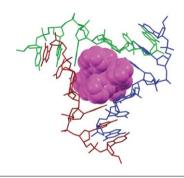


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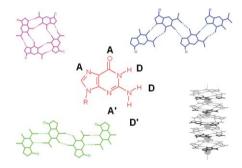


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Supramolecular architectures generated by self-assembly of guanosine derivatives

Jeffery T. Davis* and Gian Piero Spada*

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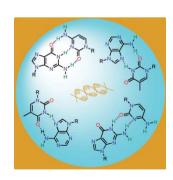


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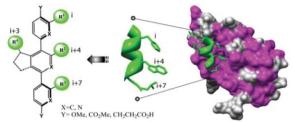
Molecular recognition via base-pairing

Jonathan L. Sessler,* Candace M. Lawrence and Janarthanan Jayawickramarajah

This review discusses both common hydrogen-bonding amongst nucleobases and less-common base-pairing structures from an artificial molecular recognition perspective, with an emphasis on their potential application in areas that include, but are not limited to, self-assembled macrocyclic and high-order ensemble synthesis, supramolecular polymer preparation, molecular cage construction, and energy and electron transfer modeling.



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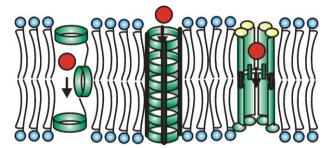
Synthetic mimetics of alpha-helices as selective antagonists targeting protein-protein interactions

Synthetic non-peptide mimetics of α -helices

Jessica M. Davis, Lun K. Tsou and Andrew D. Hamilton*

α-Helices serve as important recognition regions on protein surfaces for many protein–protein, protein–DNA and protein–RNA interactions. Rational design of structural mimetics of these domains using synthetic small molecules has proven an effective means of modulating such protein functions. This *tutorial review* focuses on strategies that use synthetic antagonists to target protein–protein interactions involved in disease.

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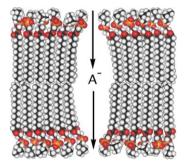


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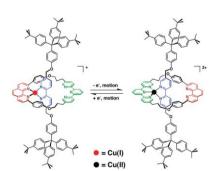


Development of synthetic membrane transporters for anions

Anthony P. Davis, David N. Sheppard and Bradley D. Smith

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Transition metal complexes as molecular machine prototypes

Benoît Champin, Pierre Mobian and Jean-Pierre Sauvage*

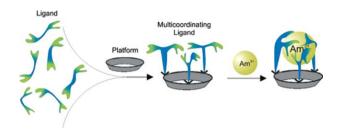
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Henk H. Dam, David N. Reinhoudt and Willem Verboom*

In nuclear waste treatment processes there is a need for improved ligands for the separation of actinides (An(III)) and lanthanides (Ln(III)). The preorganization of ligating groups onto a molecular platform results in a multicoordinate ligand with improved An(III) extraction properties. This review summarizes the most important An(III) ligands with emphasis on the preorganization strategy using (macrocyclic) platforms.

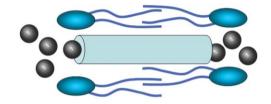


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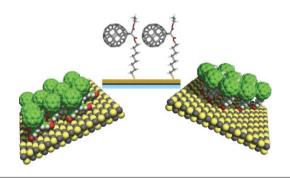
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This critical review highlights recent strategies to prepare organised monomolecular [60]fullerene-based films via monolayer self-assembly. Use of this method allows easy immobilisation of the fullerene cage onto surfaces, featuring new functional materials with potential applications in photovoltaic devices, sensorics and molecular electronics.

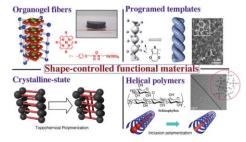


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Kazuki Sada, Masayuki Takeuchi, Norifumi Fujita. Munenori Numata and Seiji Shinkai*

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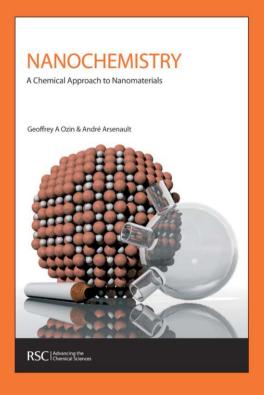
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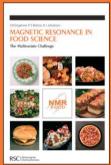
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