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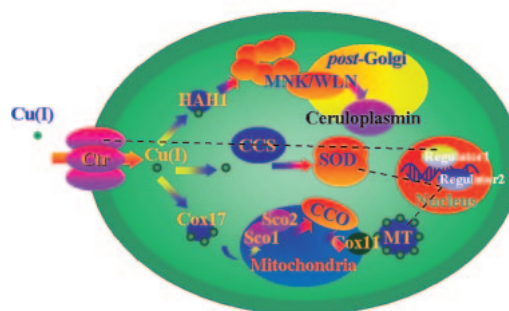
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Highlight Review

946 A Genomic Frontier in Bioinorganic Chemistry



Ivano Bertini and Antonio Rosato

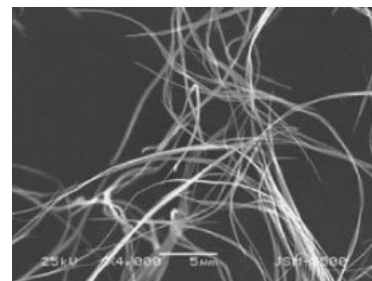
Genome sequencing projects are providing researchers with an unprecedented wealth of information. This information has the potential to make a deep impact on how experiments are planned and the physiology of living organisms is investigated. One field where the availability of genome sequence has not been thoroughly exploited yet is bioinorganic chemistry. The latter discipline deals with the interaction of biological molecules with inorganic compounds. In this review we give an overview of some aspects of the interplay of genome sequencing projects and bioinorganic chemistry.

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952 Synthesis of Manganese Oxide Nanofibers by Self-assembling Hydrothermal Process

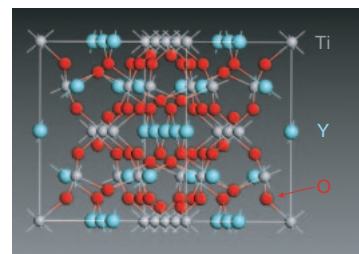
Manganese oxide nanofibers with dimensions of tens of nanometers in diameter and tens of micrometers in length were prepared from manganese oxide nanosheets by hydrothermal reaction in a cationic surfactant solution.

Zhibin Tian, Qi Feng, Naoto Sumida, Yoji Makita, and Kenta Ooi



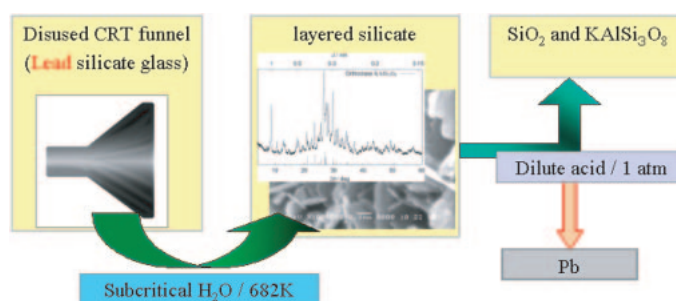
954 **Photocatalytic Water Splitting into H₂ and O₂ over R₂Ti₂O₇ (R = Y, Rare Earth) with Pyrochlore Structure**

Y₂Ti₂O₇, the first example of an active pyrochlore material for the photocatalytic splitting of water into H₂ and O₂ under UV-light irradiation.



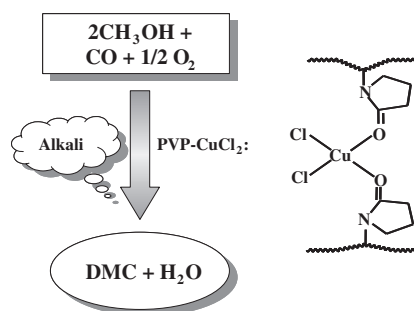
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956 **A Novel Process Utilizing Subcritical Water to Remove Lead from Wasted Lead Silicate Glass**



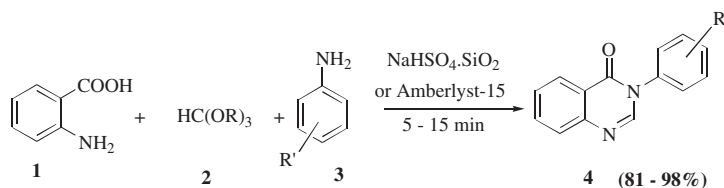
Hiroshi Miyoshi, Danping Chen, and Tomoko Akai

958 **A Remarkable Effect of Alkali Addition in the Oxidative Carbonylation of Methanol to Dimethyl Carbonate Catalyzed by a Polymer-complexed Cu(II) Catalyst System**



Wei-Liang Feng, Yong Cao, Nan Yi, Wei-Lin Dai, and Kang-Nian Fan

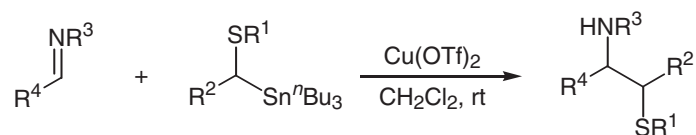
960 **Silica-supported Sodium Hydrogen Sulfate and Amberlyst-15 : Two Efficient Heterogeneous Catalysts for Single-step Synthesis of 4(3H)-Quinazolinones from Anthranilic Acid, Ortho Esters, and Amines under Solvent Free Conditions**



Biswanath Das and Joydeep Banerjee

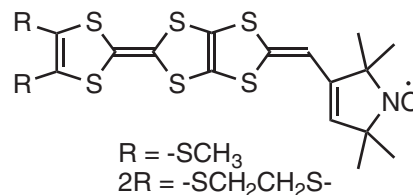
962 **Copper(II) Triflate-mediated Addition Reaction of α -Sulfurated Alkylstannanes to Imines: Facile Synthesis of Vicinal-amino Sulfides**

Copper(II) triflate-mediated addition reaction of α -sulfurated alkylstannanes to imines afforded the corresponding vicinal-amino sulfides in good yields.



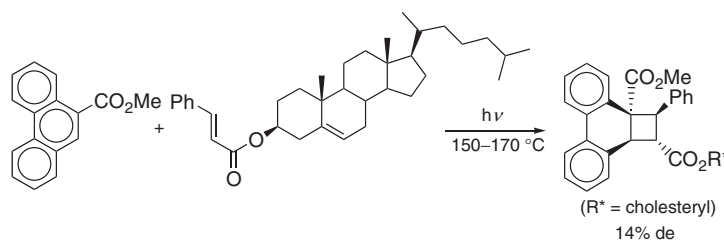
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- 964 **Novel π -Extended Donors Containing a 2,2,5,5-Tetramethylpyrrolin-1-yloxy Radical Designed for Magnetic Molecular Conductors**



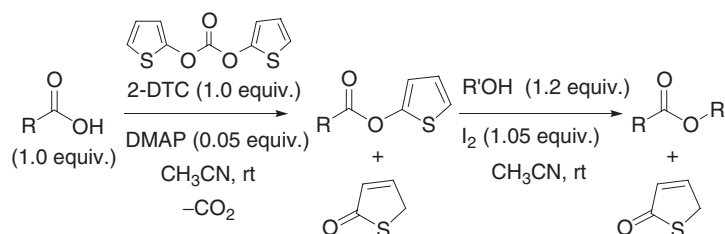
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- 966 **Diastereoselectivity in $(2\pi + 2\pi)$ Photocycloaddition of Cholesteryl Cinnamate to Methyl 9-Phenanthrenecarboxylate: Control of the Stereoselectivity in Liquid Crystalline Phase**



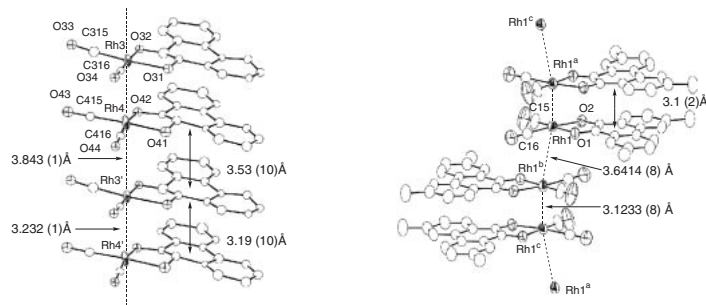
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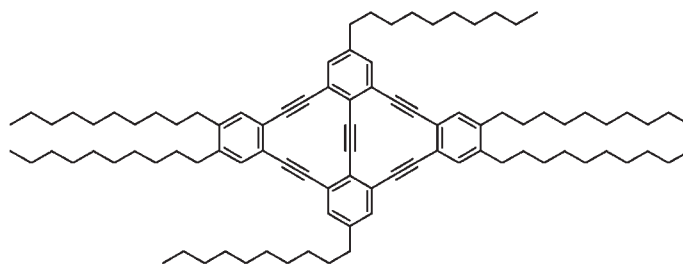
Yoshiaki Oohashi, Kentarou Fukumoto, and Teruaki Mukaiyama

- 970 **Rational Syntheses of Novel Linear Chain Rhodium(I)-Semiquinonato Complexes Using Redox Reaction of Rh₄(CO)₁₂ Cluster with *o*-Benzoquinone Derivatives**



Minoru Mitsumi, Shunsuke Umebayashi, Yoshiki Ozawa, Makoto Tadokoro, Haruki Kawamura, and Koshiro Toriumi

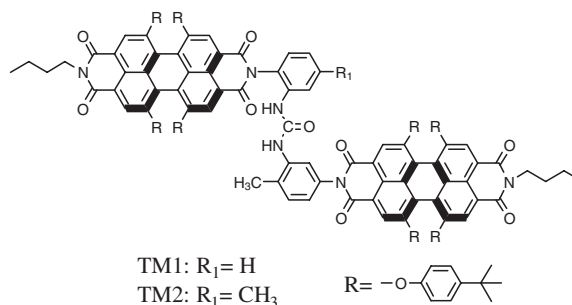
- 972 **Convenient Synthesis and Photophysical Properties of Tetrabenzopentakisdehydro-[12]annuleno[12]annulene**



Motohiro Sonoda, Yu Sakai, Takashi Yoshimura, Yoshito Tobe, and Kenji Kamada

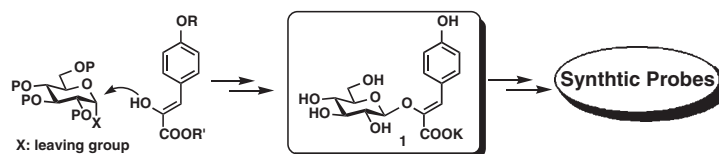
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Jun Ren, Qiaochun Wang, Dahui Qu, Xueli Zhao, and He Tian



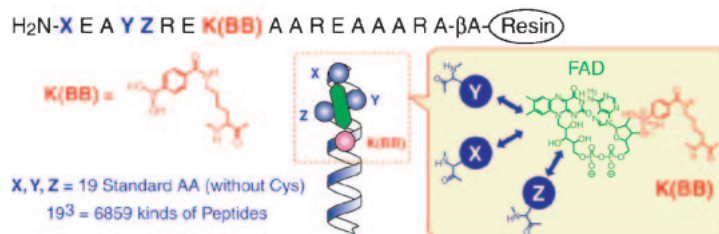
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Takanori Sugimoto and Minoru Ueda



978 **Design of FAD-binding Peptide Using a Combinatorial α -Helix Peptide Library**

Seiji Sakamoto, Ipei Okano, and Kazuaki Kudo



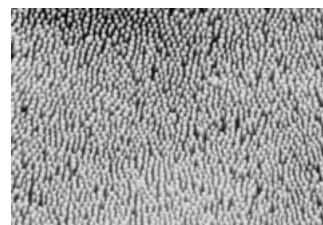
980 **Monolayer Formation of Cationic Polymer Particles on Hydrophobic Solid Substrates in Aqueous System**

Masaru Watanabe, Seigou Kawaguchi, and Katsutoshi Nagai



982 **Direct Electrochemical Fabrication of Metallic Nanopillar Array on Au Electrode Surface by the Template Technique**

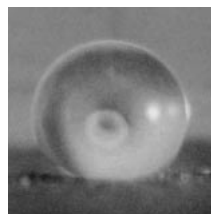
Xia-Yan Wang, Hui Zhong, Jin-Hua Yuan, Dong Sheng, Xiang Ma, Jing-Juan Xu, and Hong-Yuan Chen



Metallic nanopillar array on gold electrode surface was prepared by a novel, simple approach employing cysteamine as a molecular anchor and anodic aluminum oxide as template without any sputtered metal as electrical conductor.

984 **Electrodeposition of Hydrophobic Nickel Composite Containing Surface-Modified SiO₂ Particles under the Influence of a Surfactant with an Azobenzene Moiety**

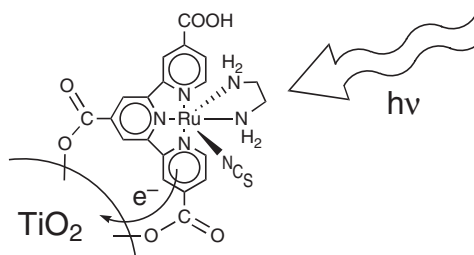
Nabeen K. Shrestha, Genta Kobayashi, and Tetsuo Saji



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986 **Synthesis and Application of Ruthenium(II) Tricarboxyterpyridyl Complex with a Nitrogen Chelate Ligand for Solar Cells Based on Nanocrystalline TiO₂ Films**

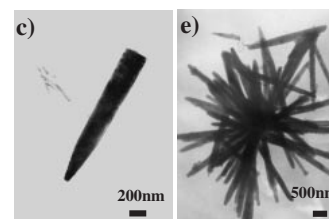
Takeshi Yamaguchi, Masatoshi Yanagida, Ryuzi Katoh, Hideki Sugihara, and Hironori Arakawa



988 **Synthesis of Needle-like and Flower-like Zinc Oxide by a Simple Surfactant-free Solution Method**

Wei-Wei Wang and Ying-Jie Zhu

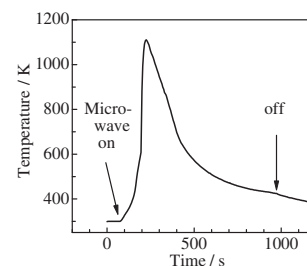
Single-crystalline zinc oxide with needle-like and flower-like morphologies has been successfully synthesized by decomposition of Zn(OH)₄²⁻ in aqueous solution at 90 °C using zinc acetate or zinc nitrate as the zinc source and sodium hydroxide as both an alkali and a complexing reagent. This method is simple, surfactant-free and low-cost for large-scale production of ZnO.



990 **Intelligent Reactions of Inorganic Phosphor Materials with Microwave Heating**

Kazuyoshi Uematsu, Kenji Toda, and Mineo Sato

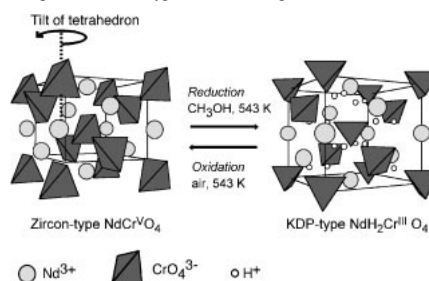
The temperature of the raw materials, mixture of Y₂O₃, V₂O₅ and Eu₂O₃, irradiated with a microwave was rose up to 1111 K within 150 s, followed by a sharp drop in the temperature in spite of irradiating the microwave continuously.



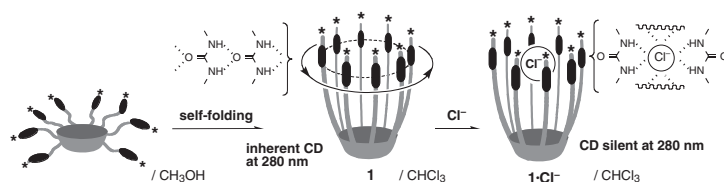
992 **Reducing Gas Sensing Based on the Redox Interconversion of Neodymium (III) Chromate(V)**

Yoshitaka Aoki, Hiroki Habazaki, and Hidetaka Konno

Reversible structure change of the zircon-type NdCrO₄ through reduction with methanol and air oxidation.

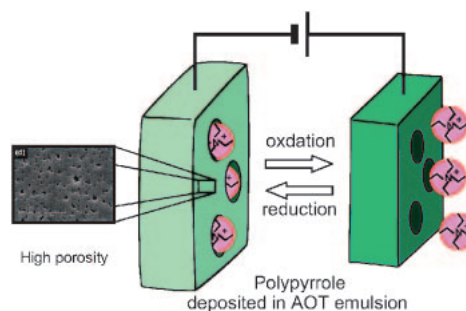


- 994 **Urea-functionalized Resorcinarenes: Preparation, Self-folding, and Their CD Phenomena Caused by Chiral Urea Termini through Intramolecular Hydrogen Bonding Interactions**



Osamu Hayashida, Jun-ichi Ito, Shinji Matsumoto, and Itaru Hamachi

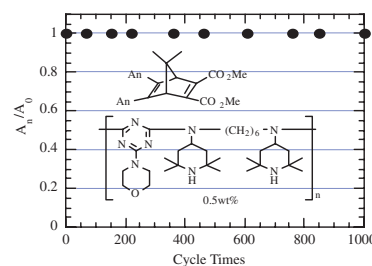
- 996 **Improved Cathodic Expansions of Electrochemomechanical Behavior in Polypyrrole Films Electrodeposited from Aerosol OT Emulsion**



Wataru Takashima, Shyam S. Pandey, and Keiichi Kaneto

- 998 **Improved Durability of Norbornadiene Derivatives Using Antioxidized Reagent**

It was found that improvement in durability of NBDs against degradation could be achieved by an antioxidantized reagent.

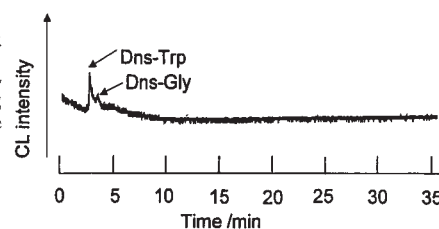


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The effect of the antioxidantized reagent for the durability of NBD derivative

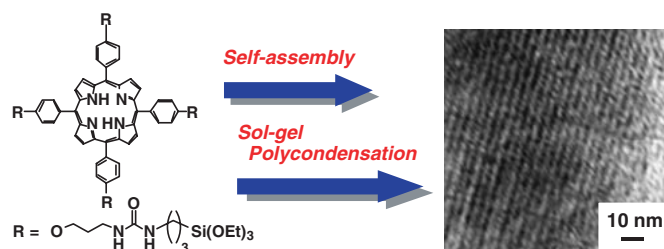
- 1000 **Capillary Electrophoresis with Chemiluminescence Detector Using On-capillary Detection**

The CE with CL detector using on-capillary detection was developed on the basis of the new concept of CL analysis in CE, taking advantage of CL performance of LUMICA and the oxidant.



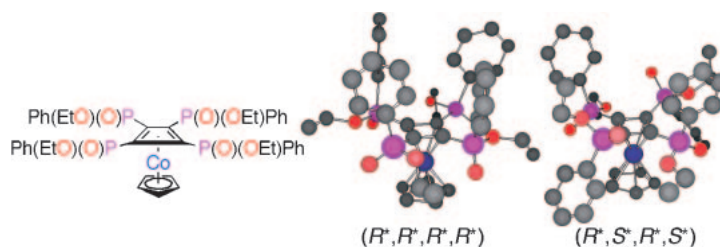
Kazuhiko Tsukagoshi, Tatsuya Fujii, and Riichiro Nakajima

- 1002 **Immobilization of a Two-dimensional Porphyrin Assembly by Sol-Gel Polycondensation in the Gel Phase**



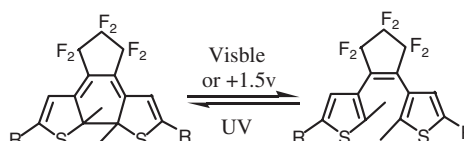
Takanori Kishida, Norifumi Fujita, Kazuki Sada, and Seiji Shinkai

1004 **Synthesis and Structure of [η^4 -Tetrakis-(arylethoxyphosphoryl)cyclobutadiene](η^5 -cyclopentadienyl)cobalt(I) Complexes**



Shigeru Sasaki, Kiyotoshi Kato, Yoshihiro Tanabe, and Masaaki Yoshifuji

1006 **Photoelectrochromic Dithienylperfluorocyclopentene Derivatives**



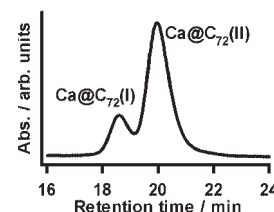
Xin-Hong Zhou, Fu-Shi Zhang, Peng Yuan, Fan Sun, Shou-Zhi Pu, Fu-Qun Zhao, and Chen-Ho Tung

Dithienylcyclopentene derivatives may undergo photochemical ring-closing reaction and both photochemical and electrochemical ring-opening reaction, and the substituent attached to the 5-position of the thiophene heterocycle has a decisive influence on the electrochemical ring-opening reaction.

1008 **Isolation and Characterization of a New Isomer of Ca@C_{72}**

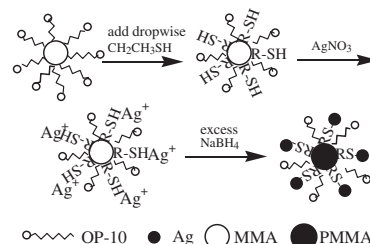
Takafumi Ichikawa, Takeshi Kodama, Shinzo Suzuki, Ryosuke Fujii, Hiroyuki Nishikawa, Isao Ikemoto, Koichi Kikuchi, and Yohji Achiba

A new (second) isomer of Ca@C_{72} was isolated. $\text{Ca@C}_{72}(\text{I})$ is the isomer reported before and $\text{Ca@C}_{72}(\text{II})$ is the new variant. It was confirmed that at least one of the two Ca@C_{72} isomers has C_{72} cage that does not satisfy the so-called isolated pentagon rule.



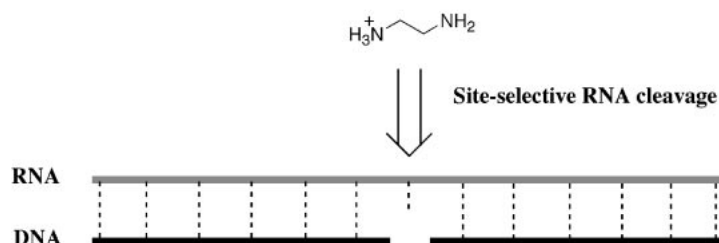
1010 **“One-pot” Fabrication of Ag/PMMA “shell/core” Nanocomposites by Chemical Reduction Method**

The Ag/PMMA shell/core nanocomposites were fabricated by one-pot emulsification method. AgNO_3 are both silver source and initiator for polymerization of MMA. The polymerization took place when the Ag^+ was reduced to Ag. The microstructures of the nanocomposites were characterized by TEM, XRD, FTIR and AFM.



Limei Wang and Dajun Chen

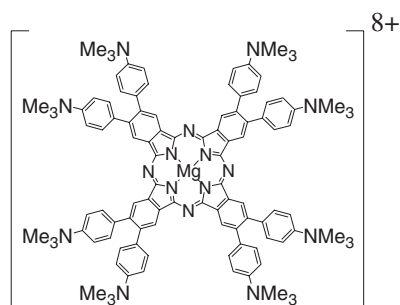
1012 **Noncovalent Combination of Oligoamine and Oligonucleotide as Totally Organic Site-selective RNA Cutter**



Yun Shi, Fumiya Niikura, Akinori Kuzuya, and Makoto Komiyama

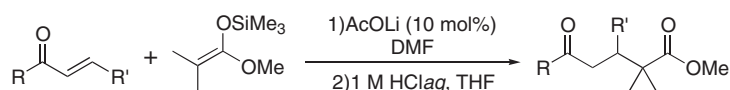
1014 **Preparation and Properties of Tetra- and Octa-substituted Phthalocyanines with Cationic Trimethylaniliniumyl Groups**

Tamotsu Sugimori, Jun Nojima, Tomohiro Ozawa, Makoto Handa, and Kuninobu Kasuga



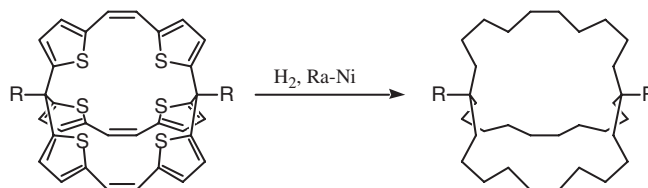
1016 **Lithium Acetate-catalyzed Michael Reaction between Trimethylsilyl Enolate and α,β -Unsaturated Carbonyl Compound**

Takashi Nakagawa, Hidehiko Fujisawa, Yuzo Nagata, and Teruaki Mukaiyama



1018 **Bicyclo[10.10.10]dotriacontanes: the Largest Bicyclo[*n.n.n*]alkane Ever Known**

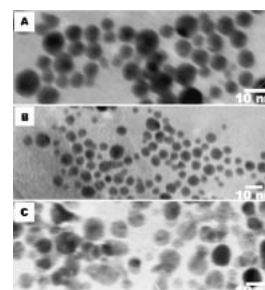
Hiroyuki Kurata, Nobuo Rikitake, Akio Okumura, and Masaji Oda



1020 **Improved Rapid Preparation of Polyelectrolyte-protected Gold Nanoparticles through a Microwave-based Thermal Process**

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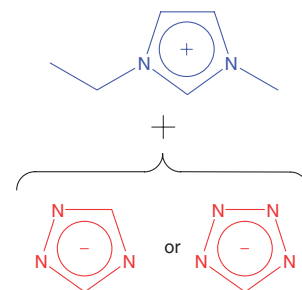
Size-controlled gold nanoparticles were rapidly prepared from a chloroauric acid/amine-containing polyelectrolyte aqueous solution through a microwave-based thermal process.



1022 **Novel Ionic Liquids Composed of Only Azole Ions**

Wataru Ogihara, Masahiro Yoshizawa, and Hiroyuki Ohno

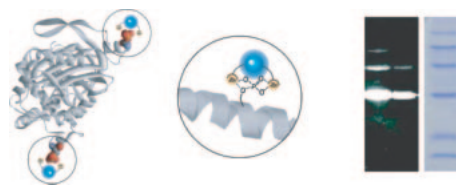
Ionic liquids containing only azole ions were prepared for the first time. They were liquids at room temperature, and showed quite low glass transition temperature below -70°C .



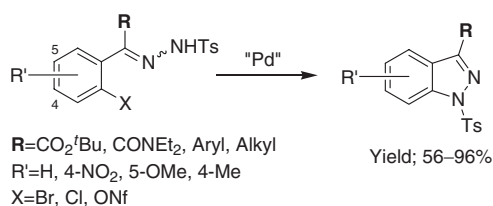
1024 **Phosphoprotein-Selective Recognition and Staining in SDS-PAGE by Bis-Zn(II)-dipicolylamine-Appended Anthracene**

A novel fluorescence detection system using a chemosensor for phosphoprotein in gel electrophoresis analysis has been developed. The system employed bis-Zn(II)-dipicolylamine-appended anthracene as a fluorescent staining dye to accomplish convenient and selective detection of phosphoproteins in SDS-PAGE.

Akio Ojida, Takahiro Kohira, and Itaru Hamachi

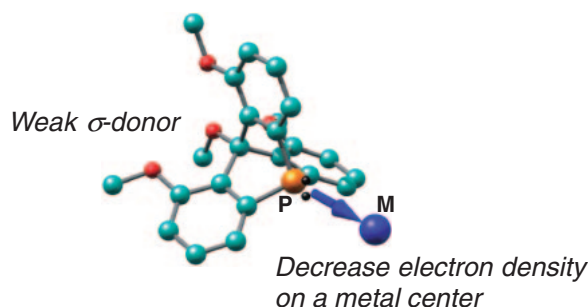


1026 **Efficient Synthesis of 3-Substituted Indazoles Using Pd-Catalyzed Intramolecular Amination Reaction of *N*-Tosylhydrazones**



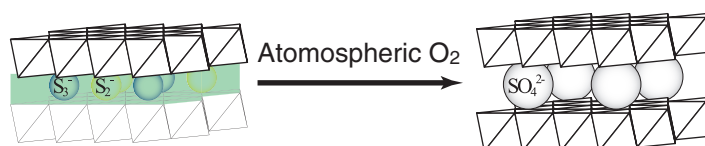
Kiyofumi Inamoto, Mika Katsuno, Takashi Yoshino, Ikue Suzuki, Kou Hiroya, and Takao Sakamoto

1028 **Evaluation of σ -Donating Ability of a 9-Phosphatriptycene and Its Application to Catalytic Reactions**



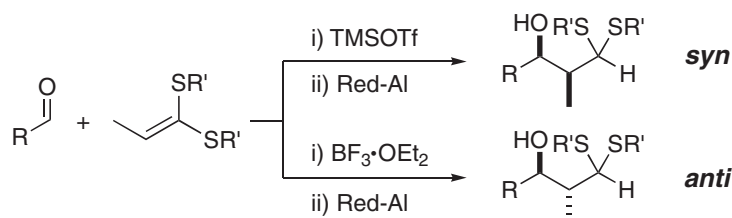
Tomohiro Agou, Junji Kobayashi, and Takayuki Kawashima

1030 **Easily Oxidizable Polysulfide Anion Occluded in the Interlayer Space of Mg/Al Layered Double Hydroxide**



Makoto Ogawa and Fumihito Saito

1032 **A Novel Synthesis of *syn* and *anti* β -Hydroxy Dithioacetals, Masked Cross-Aldols between Aldehydes**

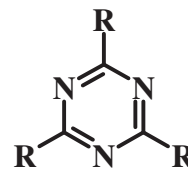


Terunobu Saitoh, Naohisa Jimbo, and Junji Ichikawa

1034 **Efficient Electron Injection Characteristics of Triazine Derivatives for Transparent OLEDs (TOLEDs)**

Takahito Oyamada, Hiroki Yoshizaki, Hiroyuki Sasabe, and Chihaya Adachi

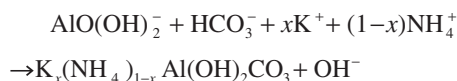
Triazine (TRZ) derivatives possessing metal coordination sites in their structures demonstrate excellent electron transport characteristics in transparent organic light emitting diodes (TOLEDs), suggesting efficient electron injection from an indium-tin-oxide (ITO) cathode into the TRZ layer.



1036 **Synthesis of K- β -Al₂O₃ Powder by Hydrothermal Multicomponent Coprecipitation Method**

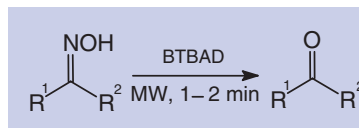
Xiangfeng Zhang, Zhaoyin Wen, Zuxiang Lin, Zhonghua Gu, and Xiaohe Xu

Both KAl(OH)₂CO₃ and NH₄Al(OH)₂CO₃ have the same structures, and there is only a little difference in the radius of K⁺ (133 pm) and NH₄⁺ (143 pm). Therefore, it is possible to synthesize a new kind of solid solution of K_xNH_{4(1-x)}Al(OH)₂CO₃ if both the cations exist in a hydrothermal reaction system simultaneously. By calcining the solid solution precursor, K- β -Al₂O₃ powder can be obtained immediately.



1038 **Regeneration of Carbonyl Compounds from Oximes Using BTBAD under Microwave Irradiation**

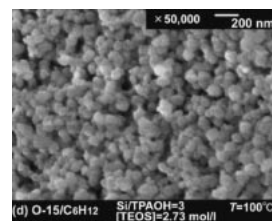
R. Murugan and B. S. R. Reddy



1040 **New Method for Preparing Monodispersed Nanocrystalline Silicalite via Hydrothermal Synthesis in Water/Surfactant/Oil Solution**

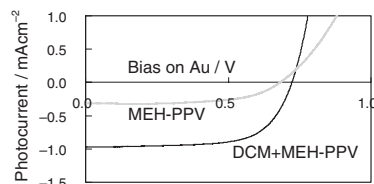
Teruoki Tago, Mieko Nishi, Yousuke Kouno, and Takao Masuda

Monodispersed silicalite nanocrystals with a diameter of 80 – 150 nm were successfully prepared in water–surfactant–oil solution.



1042 **Performance Enhancement by Blending an Electron Acceptor in TiO₂/polyphenylene-vinylene/Au Solid-state Solar Cells**

Kohshin Takahashi, Kaname Seto, Takahiro Yamaguchi, Jun-ichi Nakamura, Chiho Yokoe, and Kazuhiko Murata



When an electron acceptor DCM was blended into the MEH-PPV layer in the TiO₂/MEH-PPV/Au sandwich-type solar cell, the performance was remarkably enhanced, resulting in 0.47% of the energy conversion yield under the irradiation of AM1.5–100 mW/cm².

1044 **Time-selective Hydrothermal Synthesis of SnS Nanorods and Nanoparticles by Thiourea Hydrolysis**

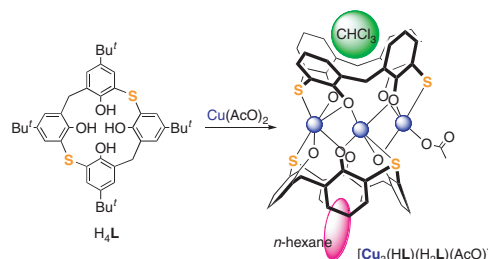
SnS nanorods and nanoparticles are obtained by time selective single step hydrothermal synthesis using thiourea as a source of sulphur and ammonium ions. In this simple method in situ generated ammonium ion acts as structure-directing agent.



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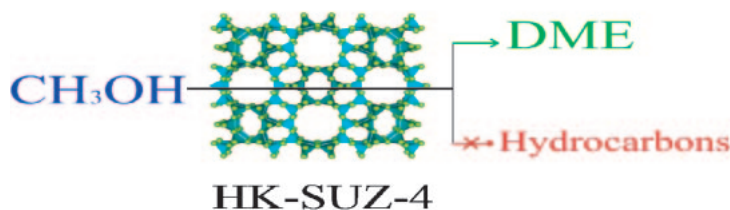
1046 **A *p*-tert-Butyldithiacalix[4]arene-Copper(II) Complex Having Double-cone Shape of Unique Heteroditopic Inclusion Behavior**

X-ray diffraction revealed a single crystal of a Cu(II) complex of *p*-tert-butylthiacalix[4]arene (H_4L) to be $[Cu_3(HL)(H_2L)(AcO)]$, in which three Cu(II) ions are sandwiched by two calixarene ligands including different guest molecules, $CHCl_3$ and hexane, in each cone-shaped cavity. This is the first example of calixarene-metal complex showing heteroditopic inclusion.



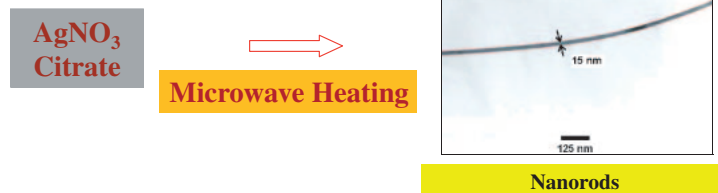
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1048 **Zeolite SUZ-4 as Selective Dehydration Catalyst for Methanol Conversion to Dimethyl Ether**



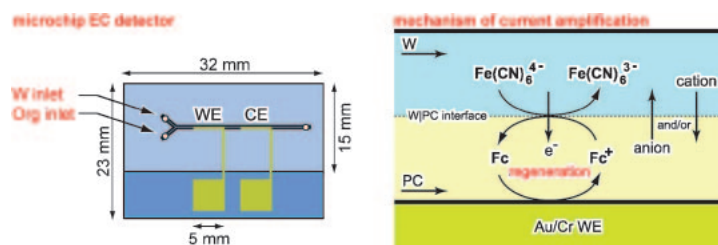
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1050 **Preparation of Silver Nanorods by Rapid Microwave Heating**



Fu-Ken Liu, Yu-Cheng Chang, Pei-Wen Huang, Fu-Hsiang Ko, and Tieh-Chi Chu

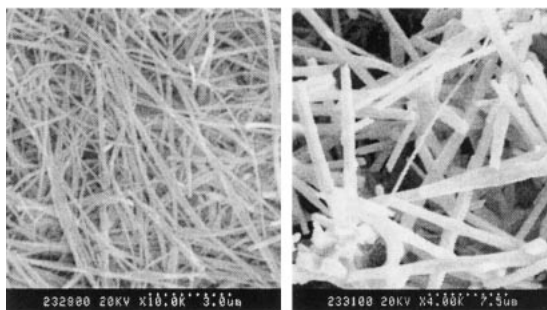
1052 **Amplified Electrochemical Detection Based on Redox Cycle at a Liquid/Liquid Interface Formed in a Microchannel**



Masaki Torimura, Nobuyuki Ichieda, Takeshi Ito, Seishiro Ohya, and Hiroaki Tao

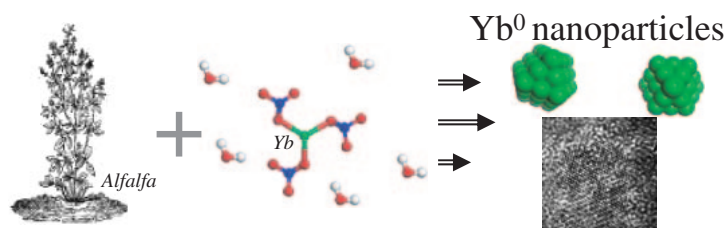
1054 CTAB-controlled Synthesis of One-dimensional Selenium Nanostructures

Juan Zhang, Sheng-Yi Zhang, and Hong-Yuan Chen



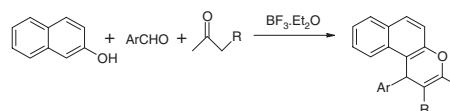
1056 Synthesis and Structure Determination of Ytterbium Nanoparticles

Jorge A. Ascencio, Ana C. Rodríguez-Monroy, Hong Bo Liu, and Gerardo Canizal

1058 A Three-component Reaction of Phenol, Aldehyde, and Active Methylene Substrate under Lewis acid Catalysis: Successful Trapping of *o*-Quinone Methide to Afford Benzopyran Systems

Sabir H. Mashraqui, Mamta B. Patil, Hitesh D. Mistry, Shailesh Ghadigaonkar, and Auke Meetsma

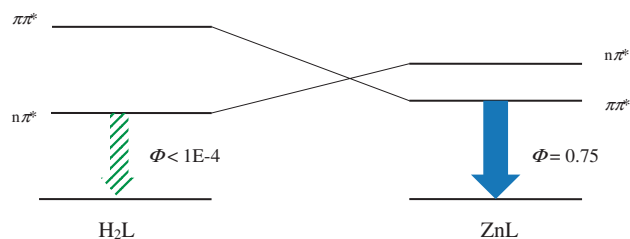
As shown in the general reaction, a 3-component condensation under $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ catalysis affords benzopyranyl products in satisfactory yields.



1060 A New Blue Photoluminescent Salen-like Zinc Complex with Excellent Emission Quantum Yield

Massimo La Deda, Mauro Ghedini, Iolinda Aiello, and Annarita Grisolia

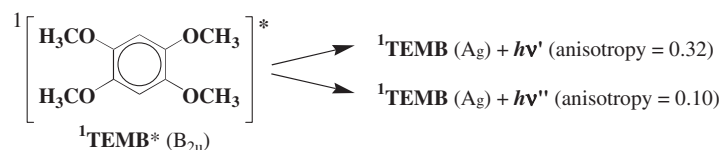
The salen-like ligand, *N,N'*-bis(salicylidene)-1,12-dodecylendiamine, H_2L , reacts with $(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2\text{Zn} \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ giving the ZnL complex. While the ligand is scarcely luminescent ($\Phi < 0.01\%$), ZnL is a strong blue emitter with 75% emission quantum yield.



1062 Dual Fluorescence of 1,2,4,5-Tetramethoxybenzene in 77 K Matrices Studied by Fluorescence Polarization

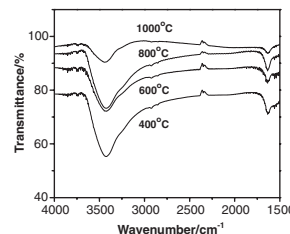
Nobuyuki Ichinose, Kazutoyo Kishimoto, Jun-ichiro Kinugasa, Masahide Hagiri, and Toshihiro Nakayama

Fluorescence anisotropy measurement of 1,2,4,5-tetramethoxybenzene (TEMB) in 77 K EPA matrix has revealed its dual fluorescence nature.



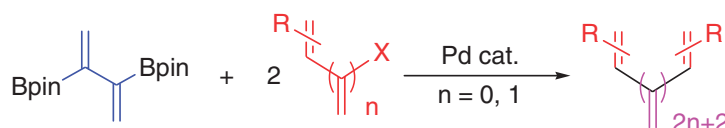
1064 **Preparation of La_2O_3 -doped CeO_2 - ZrO_2 Solid Solution with High Thermal Stability by Water-in-Oil Microemulsion**

Nanoparticles of the CeO_2 - ZrO_2 - La_2O_3 solid solution were prepared by the W/O microemulsion method. Ceria-zirconia-lanthana ($\text{Ce/Zr/La} = 1/1/0.06$, mol) sample calcined at 1000°C for 4 h has higher surface area ($126\text{ m}^2/\text{g}$) and excellent thermal stability. Its particle size is 5–10 nm. The presence of lanthana in the sample can improve obviously the thermal stability of the CeO_2 - ZrO_2 solid solution.



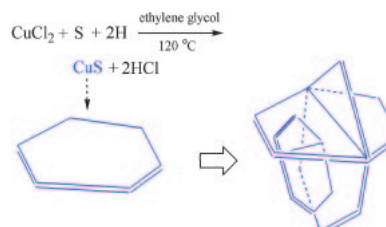
Pingping Jiang, Guanzhong Lu, Yangyang Li, Yanglong Guo, Yun Guo, and Xingyi Wang

1066 **Facile Synthesis of Dendralenes Based on the Cross-coupling Reaction of 2,3-Bis(pinacolato)boryl-1,3-butadiene**



Masaki Shimizu, Kei Tanaka, Takuya Kurahashi, Katsuhiko Shimono, and Tamejiro Hiyama

1068 **A Nonaqueous Route to Prepare Novel CuS Macroporous Material**



Songming Wan, Fan Guo, Yiya Peng, Liang Shi, and Yitai Qian