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***Atomic Resolution
Electron Microscopy for
Organic Chemists***

A Major Problem in Chemistry

**Molecular Design
≠
Real World Functions**



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From Molecular World to Real World

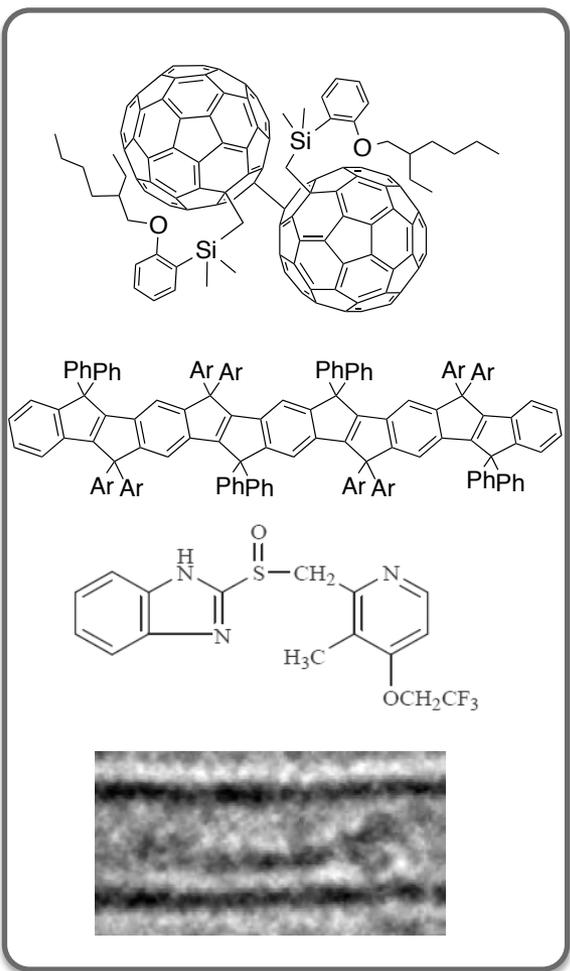
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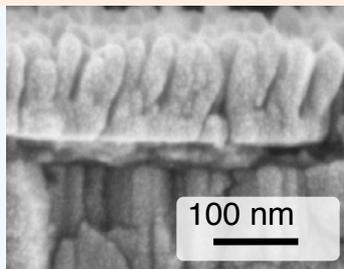
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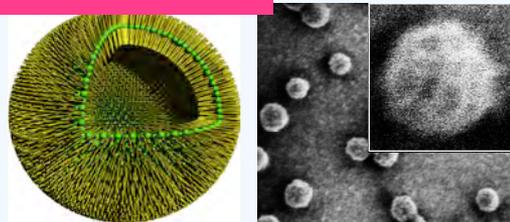
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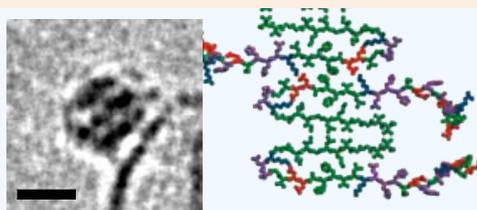
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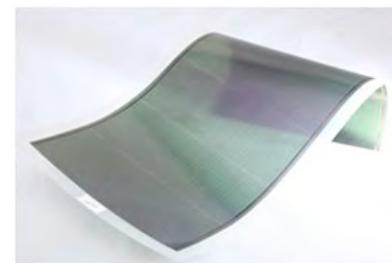
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3. Fluctuational systems



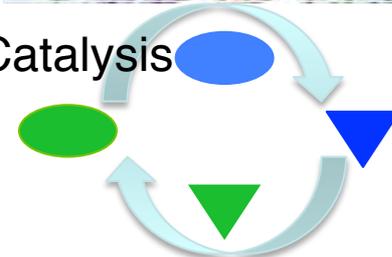
plastic solar cells



Pharmaceuticals



Catalysis



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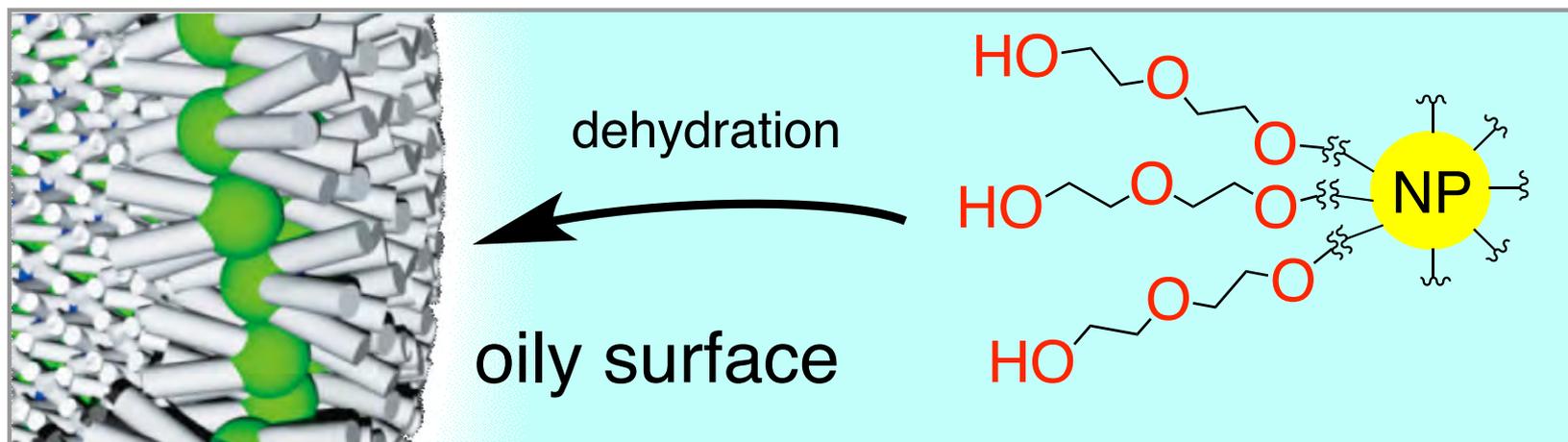
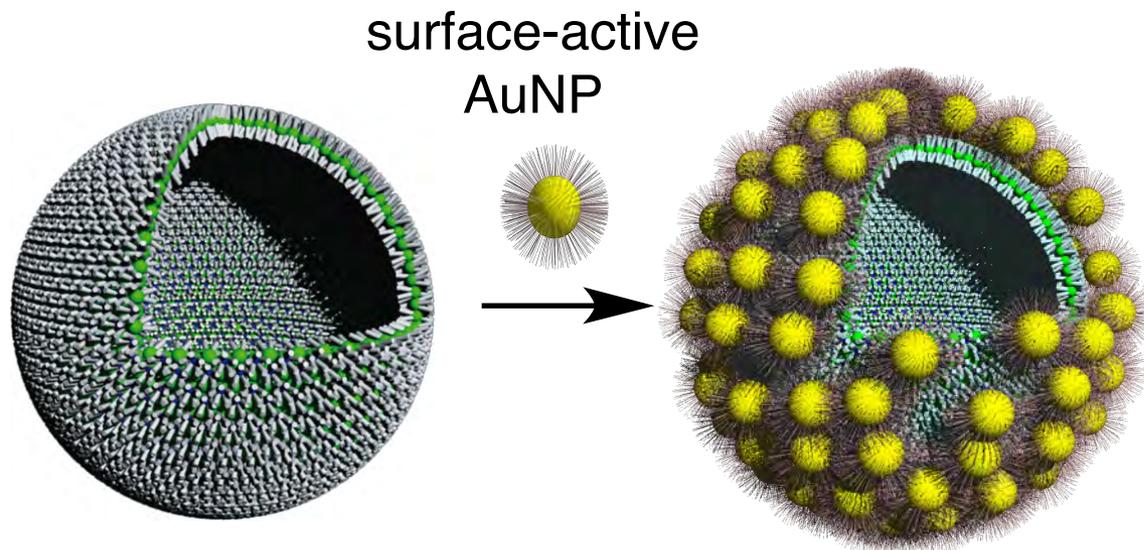
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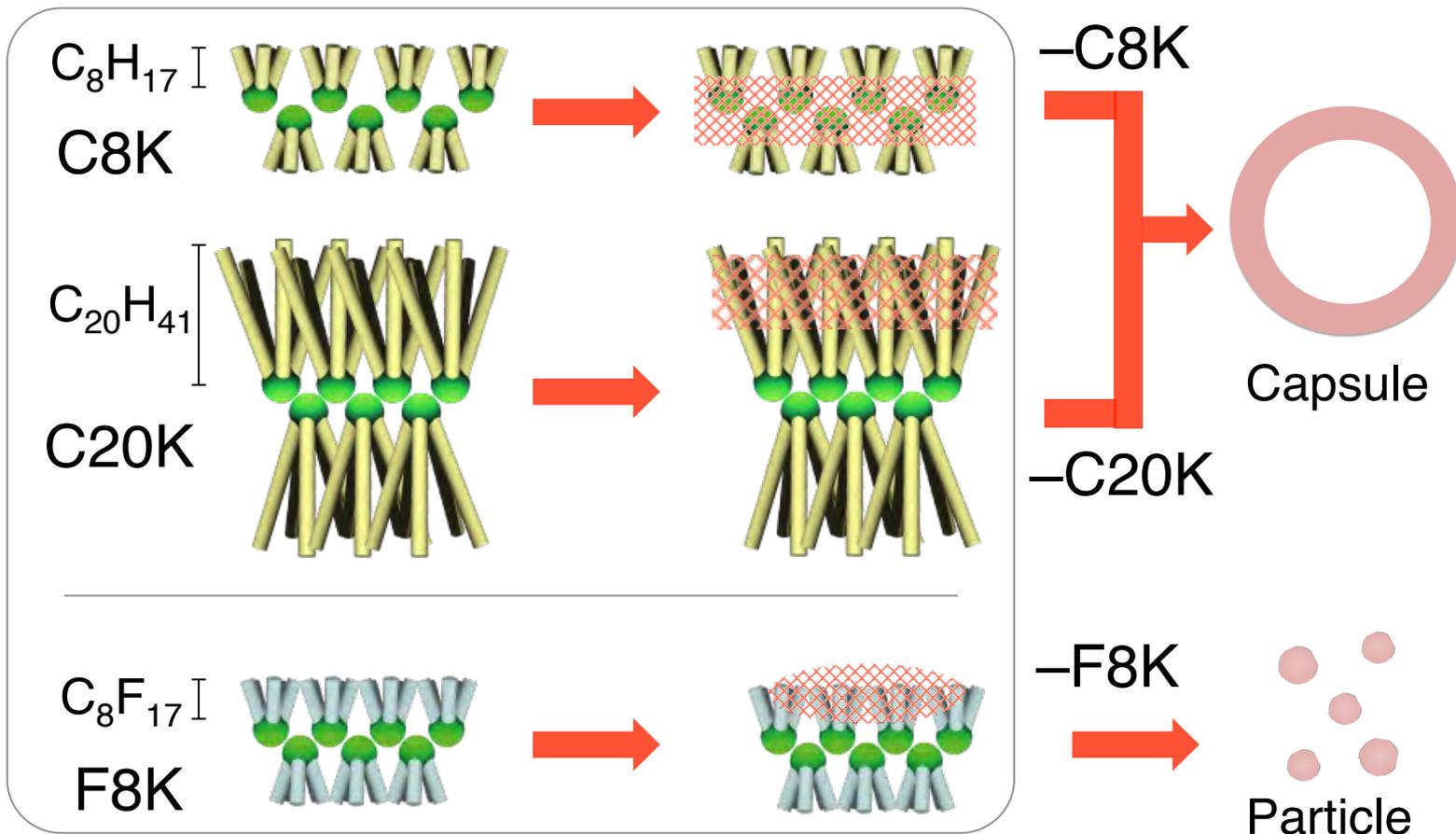
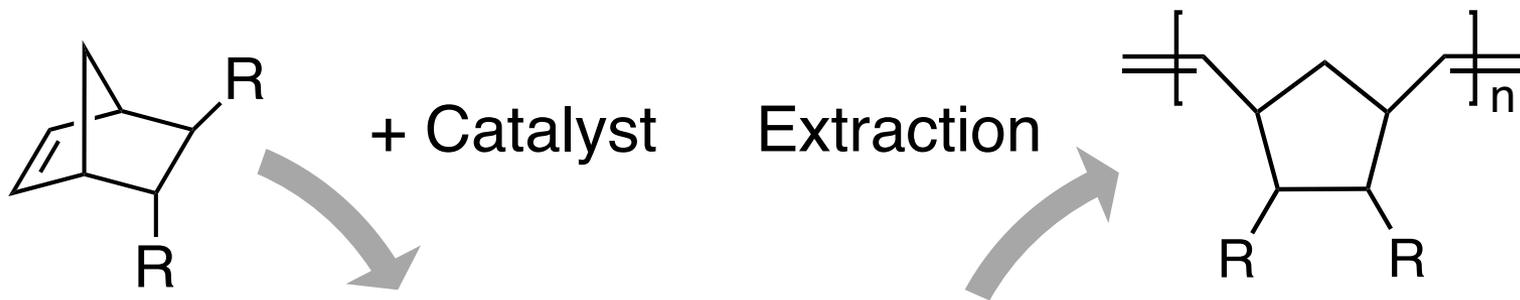
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Spontaneous Self-Assembly of NP-1



Control of Polymer Growth in Fullerene Bilayers



J. Am. Chem. Soc. (2016)

with Koji Harano, Ricardo Gorgol Mizoguchi

**Our own
SOLAR CELL
PROJETCT**



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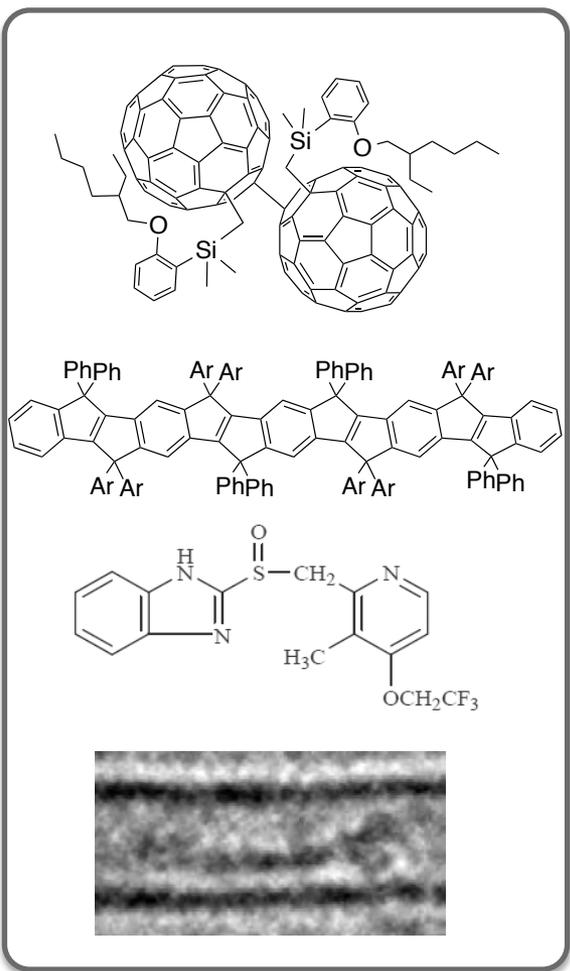
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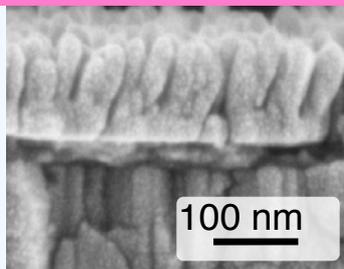
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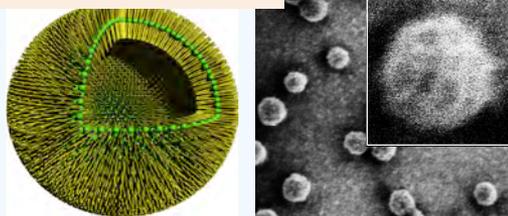
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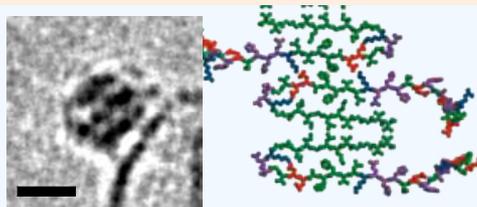
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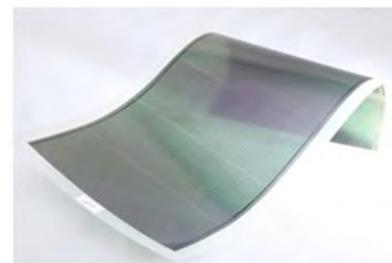
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3. Non-equilibrium liquid



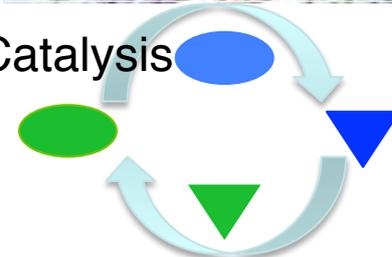
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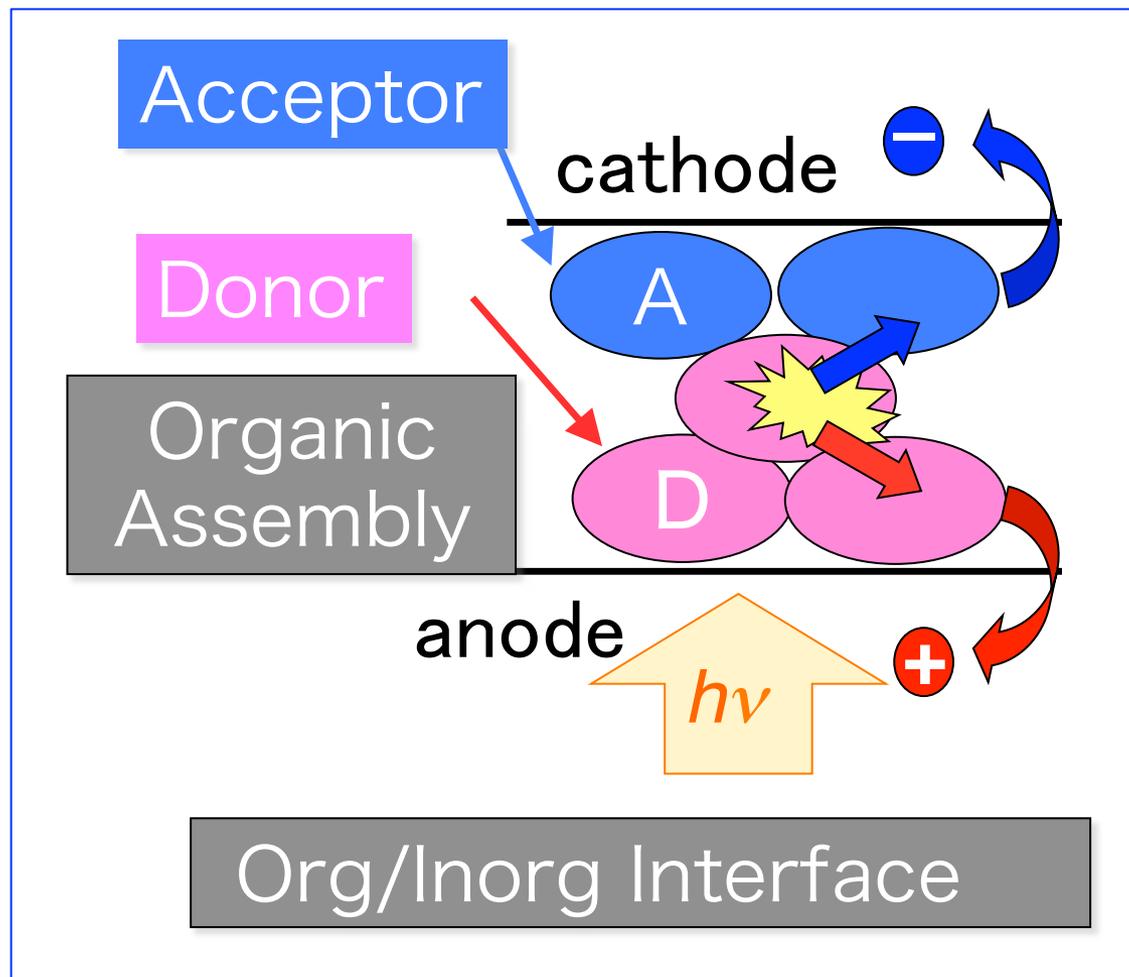
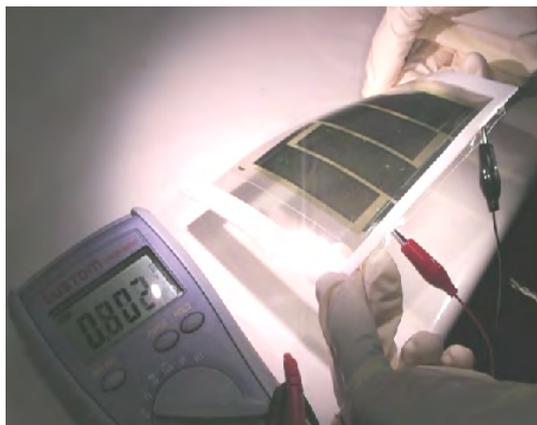
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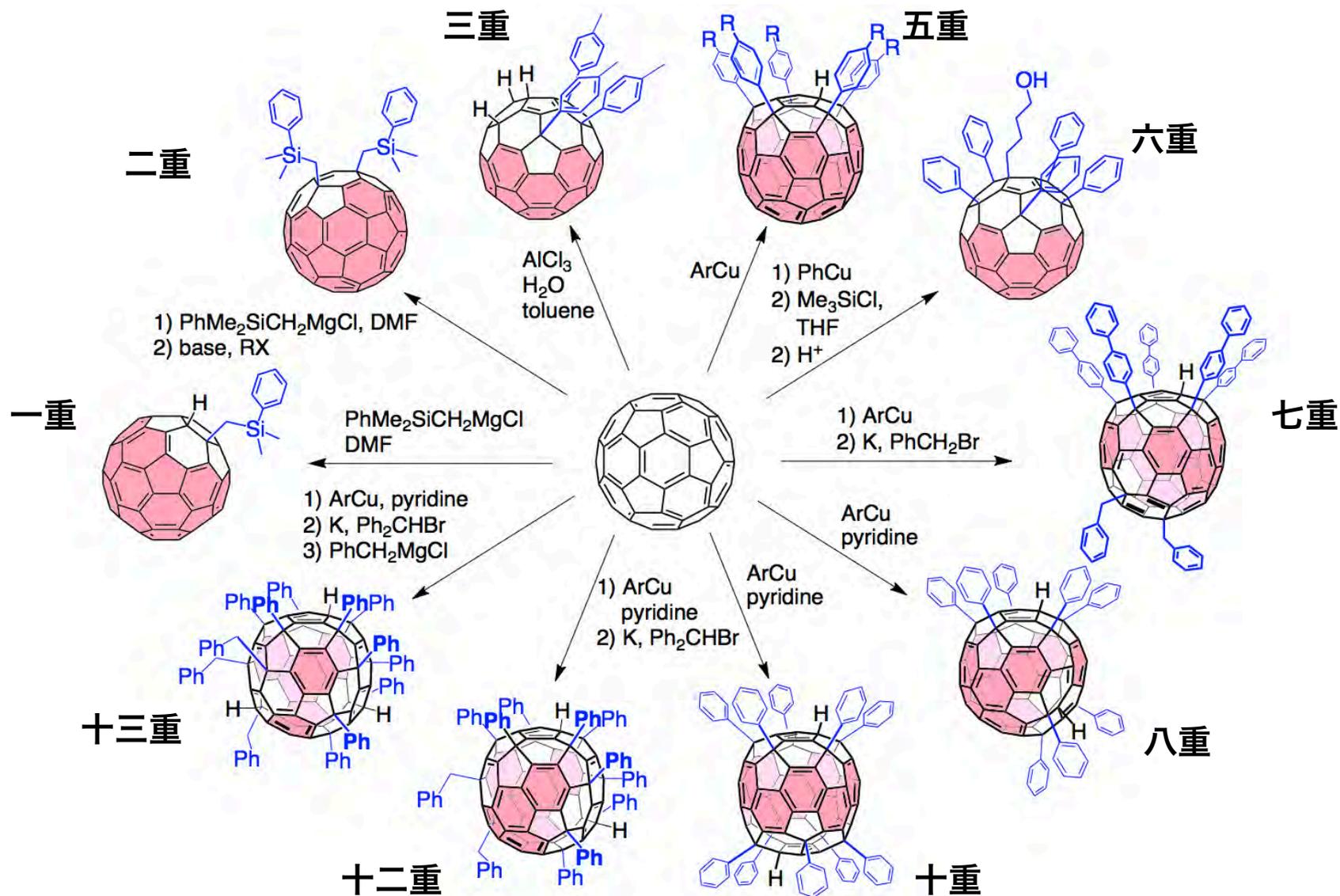
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Organic Solar Cells is a Device to Extract e^- and h^+ from a Photo-excited Donor/Acceptor Molecular Assembly



Screening of >800 n-Type Semiconductors

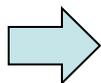
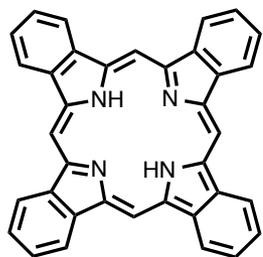
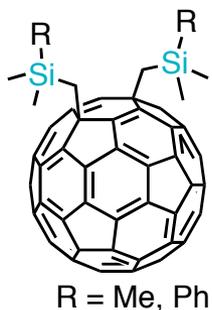


Chemistry solves energy problems!

Univ of Tokyo (2004-10)



Mitsubishi Chemical's window solar cells (2015)



Nakamura, JACS (2009)

from Mitsubishi Chemical home page

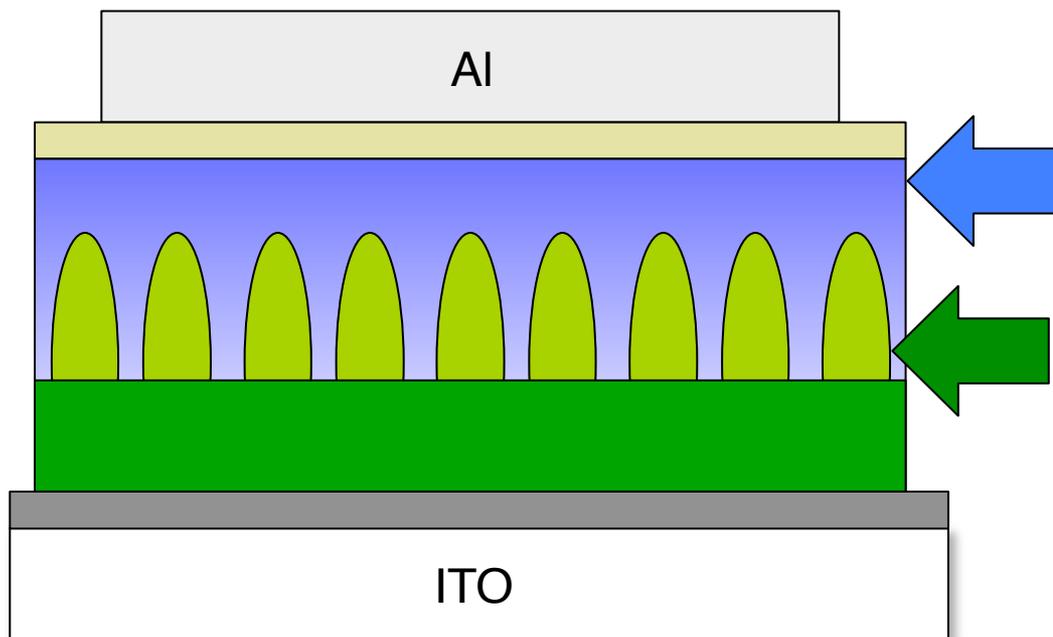


"Zero Energy Building"
by Taisei Corporation

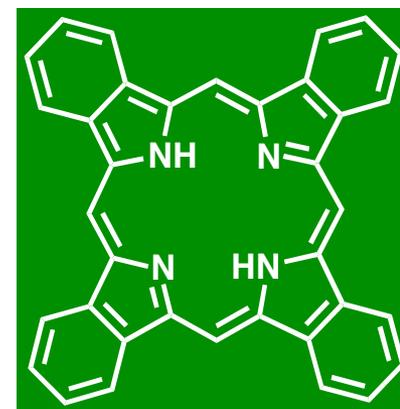
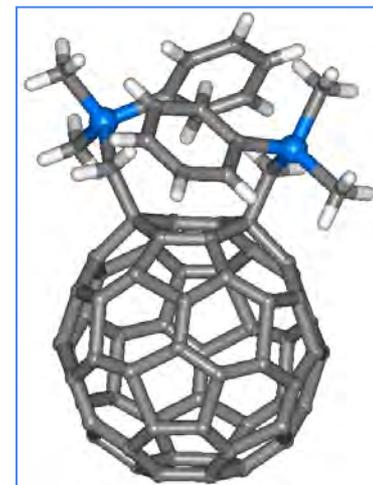


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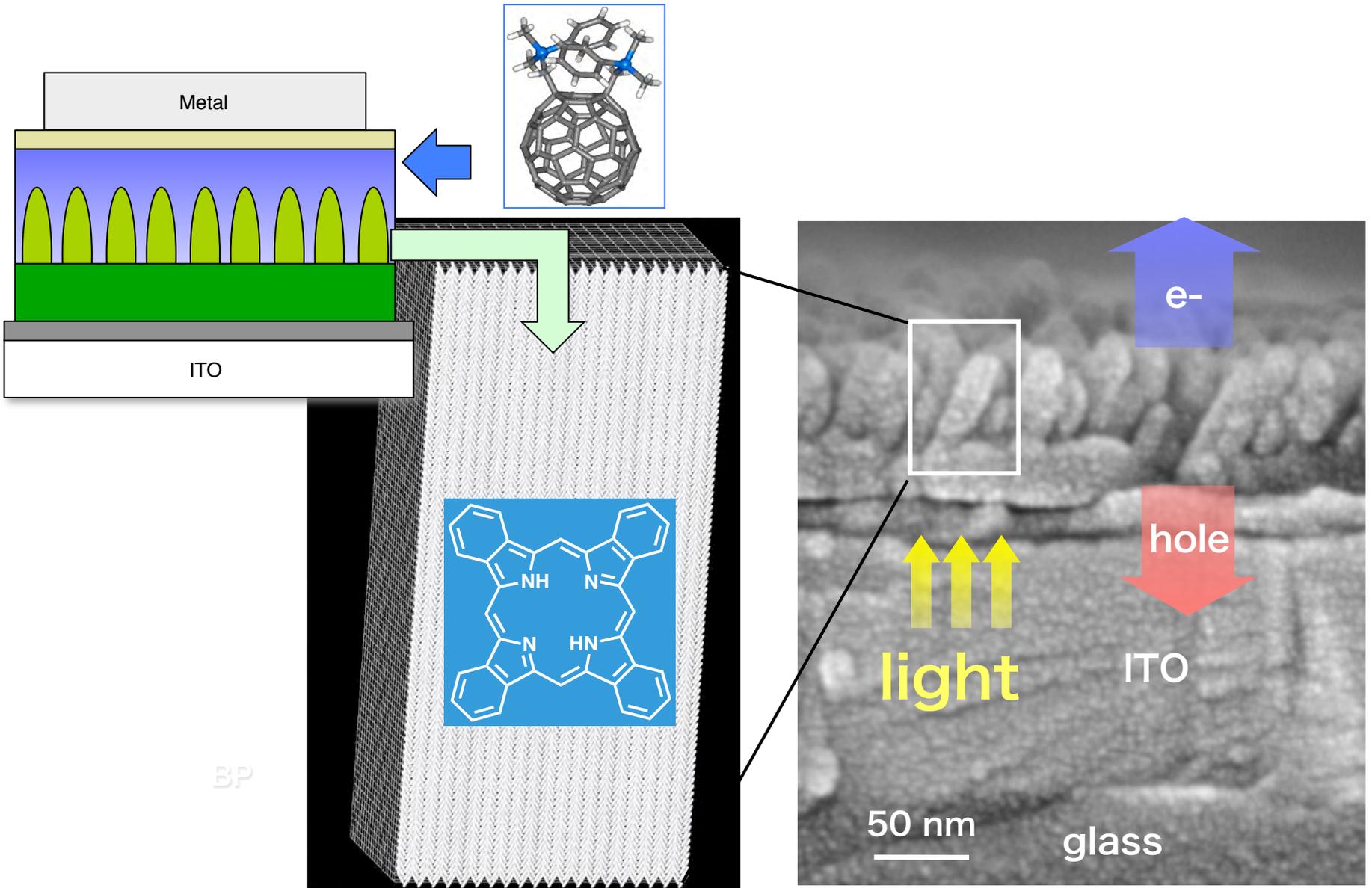
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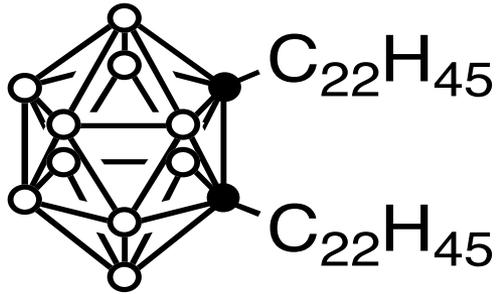




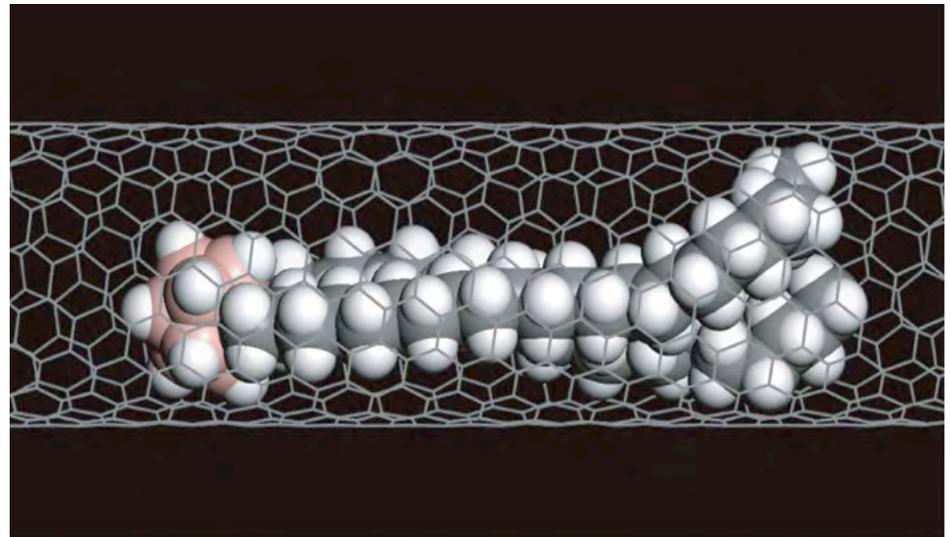
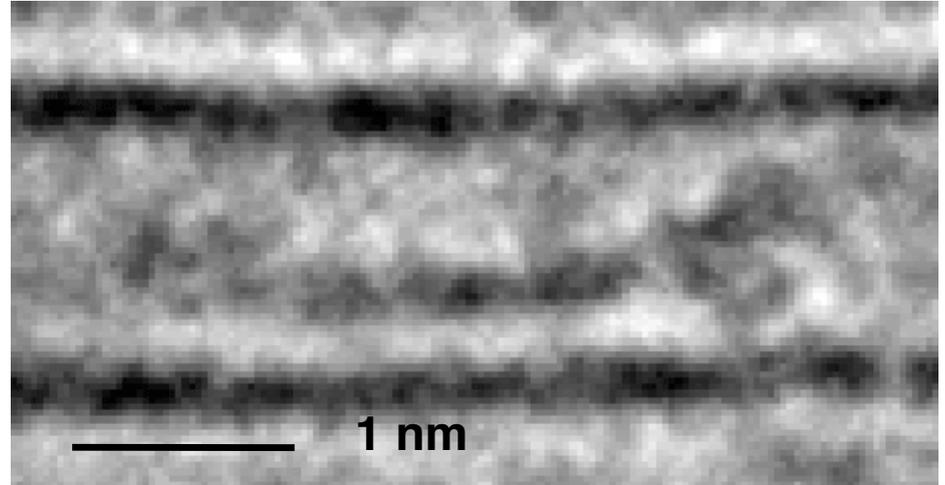
How do crystals grow?
How do molecules phase separate?

Movie of a Single Molecule in 2007

- Single-molecule, Atomic-resolution Real-time (SMART)
TEM Imaging -

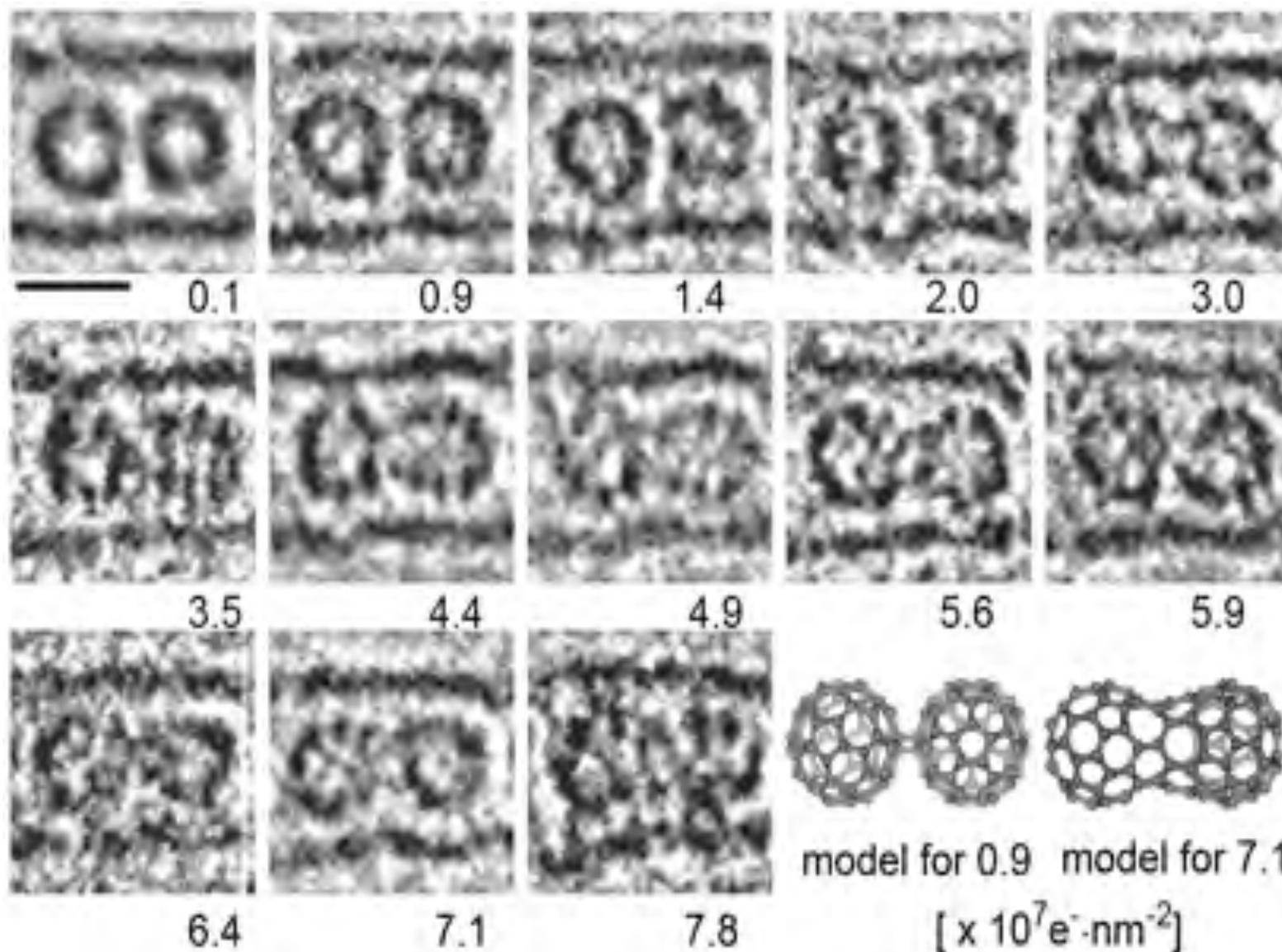


Alkylcarborane

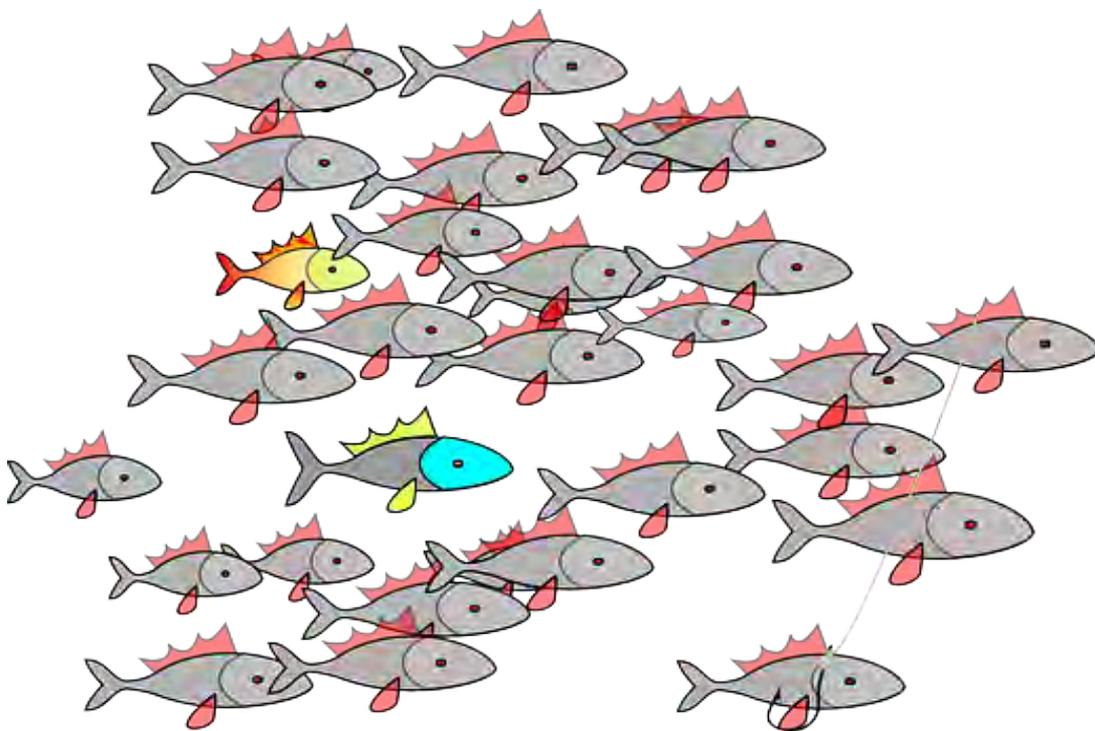


Science 2007, 316, 853

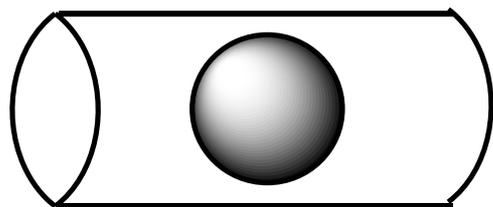
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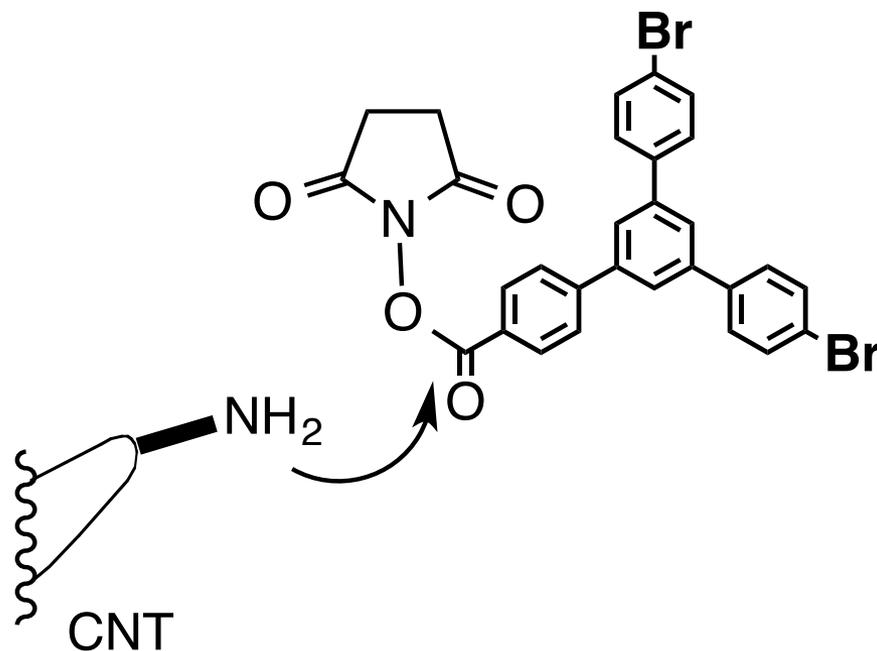
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Eel Trap



Chemical Hook



Mechanism of Crystal Nucleation

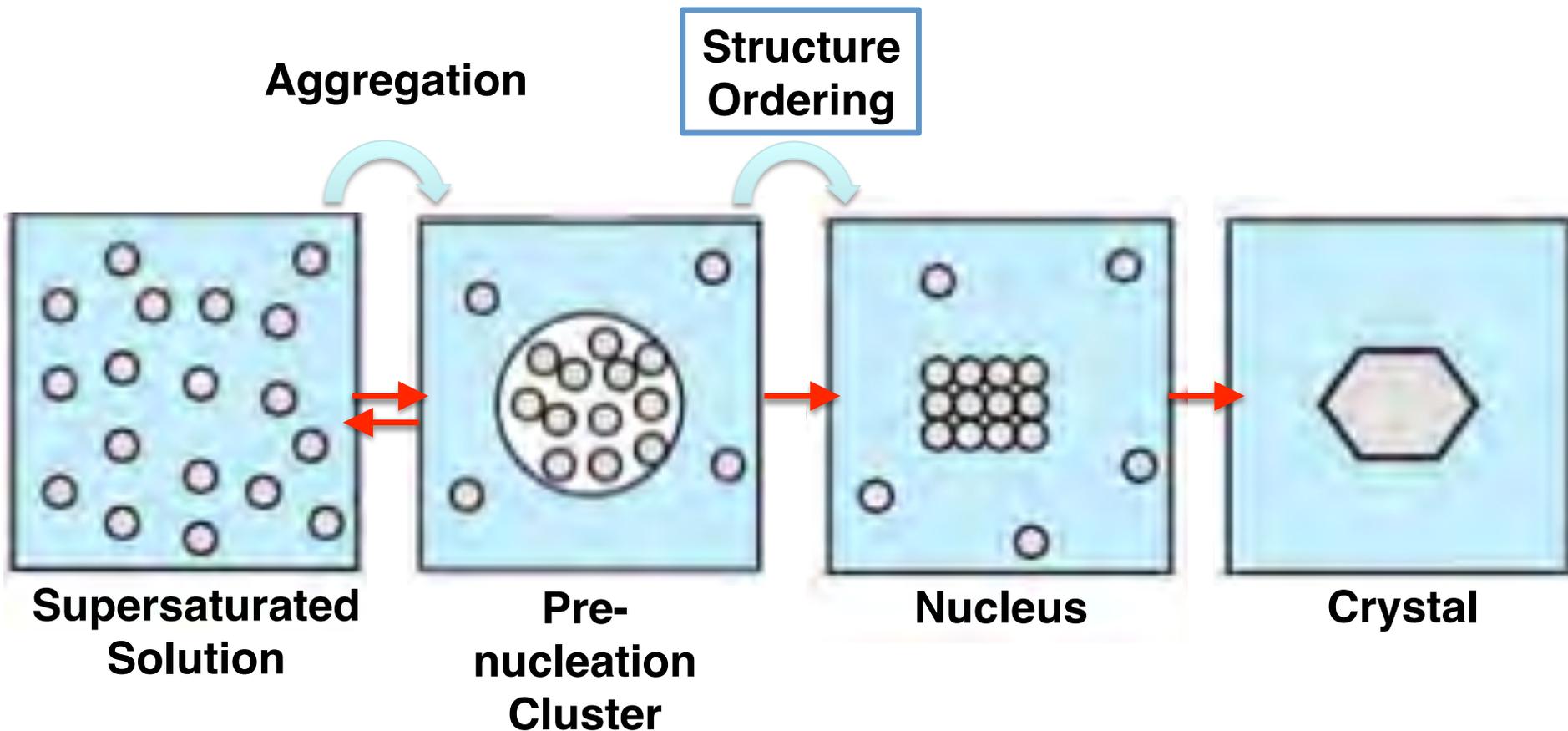
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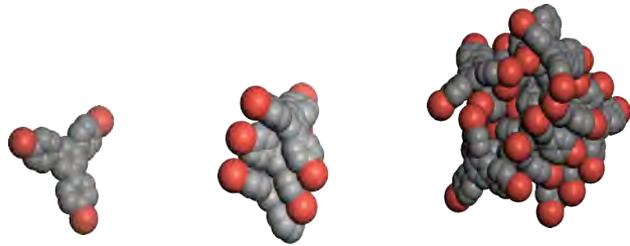
Shugaku-in Imperial Villa

Two-Step Mechanism of Nucleation



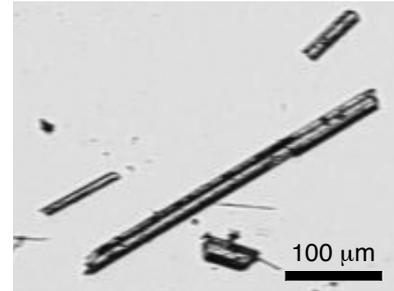
A. S. Myerson, *et al. Acc. Chem. Res.* **2009**, *42*, 621.

Gibbs Proposal of Nucleation/Crystallization



Embryo or Nucleus

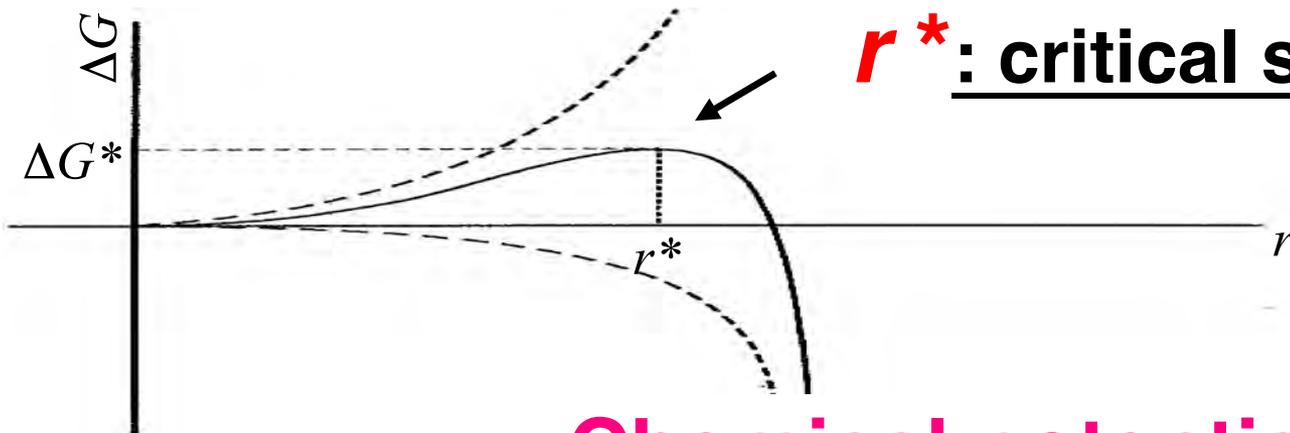
Pre-nucleation



**Nucleation/
Crystal Growth**



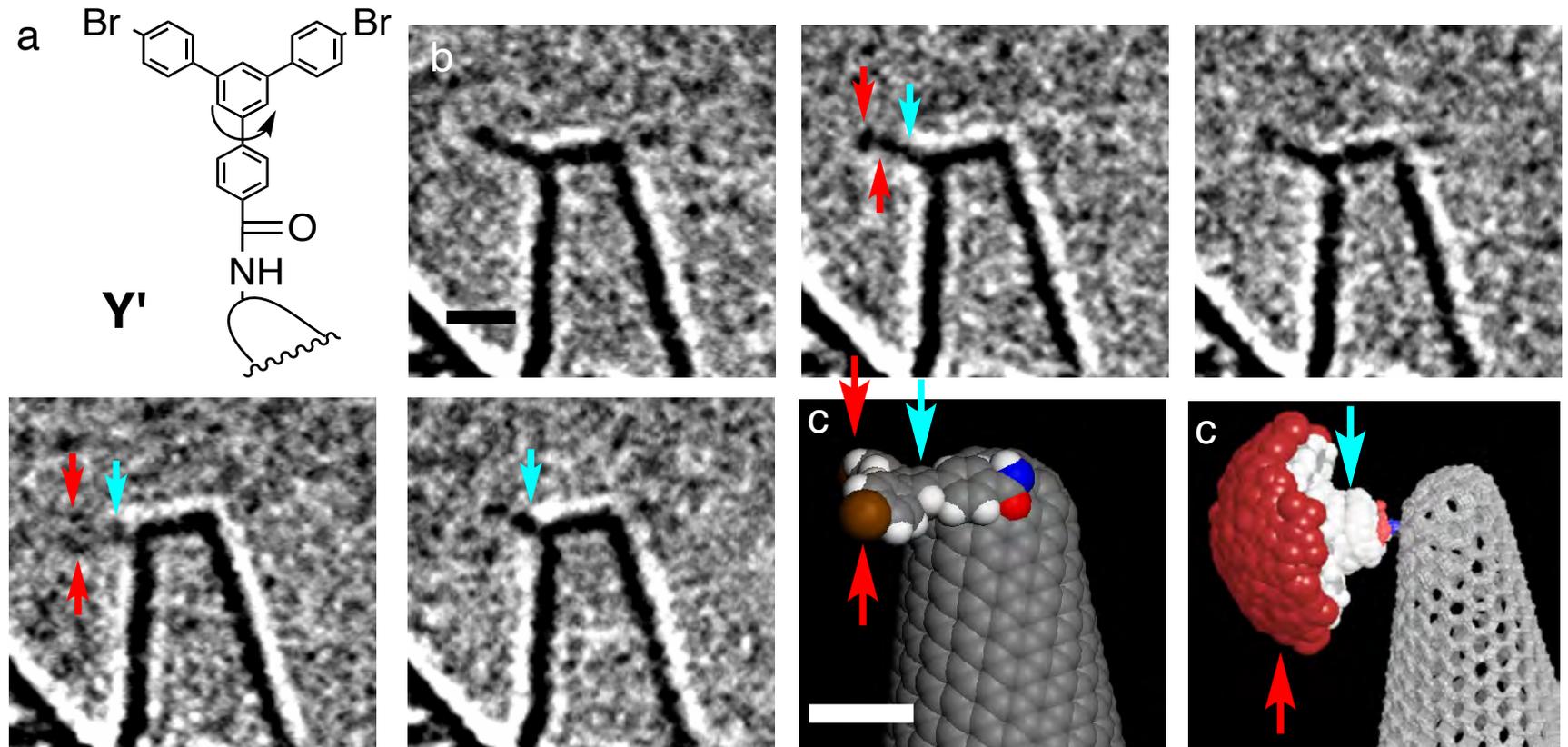
Surface energy (r^2)



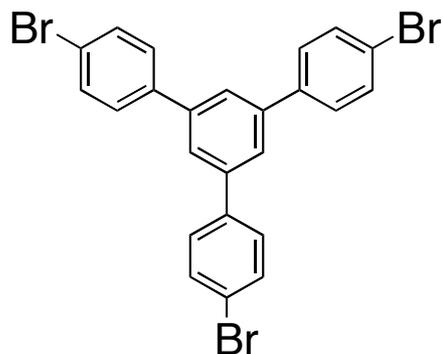
r^* : critical size

Chemical potential (r^3)

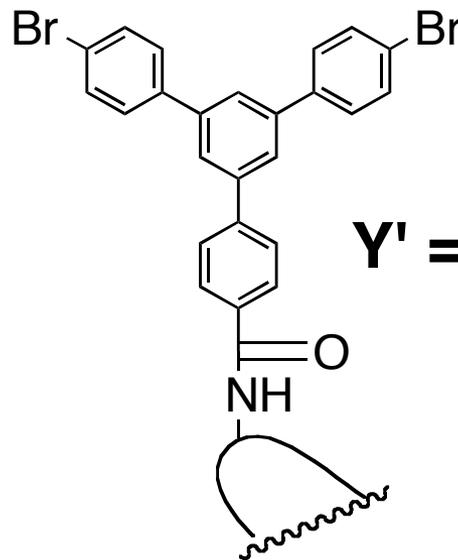
Single Molecule Template for Nucleation



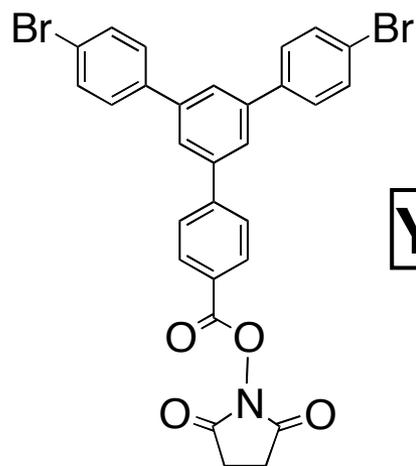
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Y



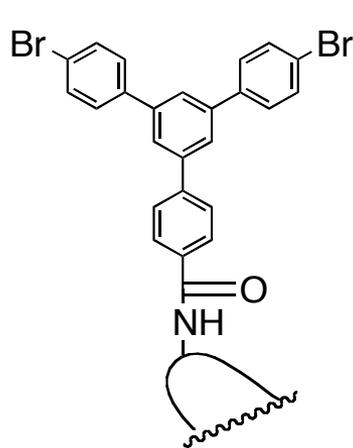
Y' = Template



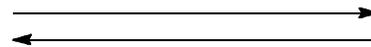
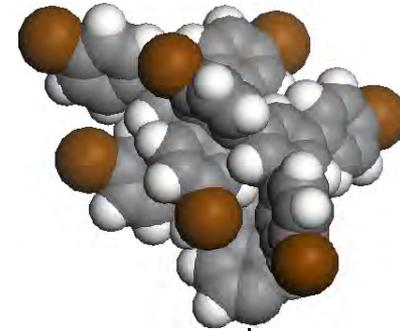
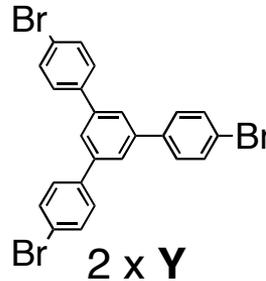
Y' -imide

Summary of Macro- and Microscopic Studies

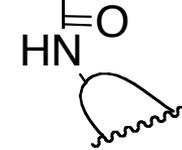
Y' -NH



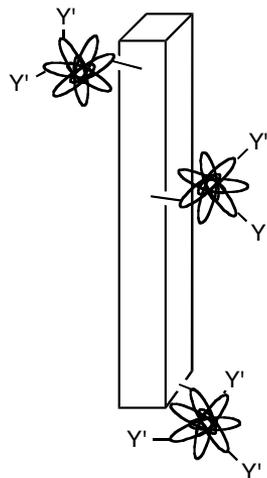
Pre-nucleation clusters



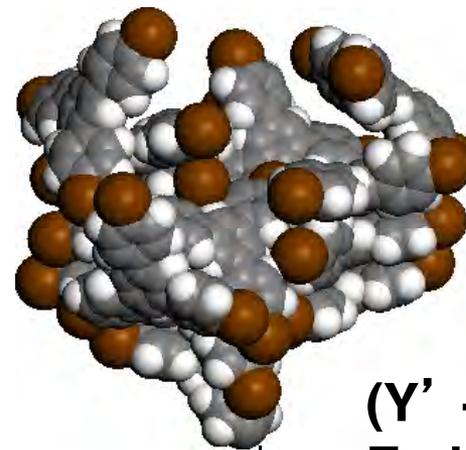
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Crystal w/ Y' -NH



Optical microscopy



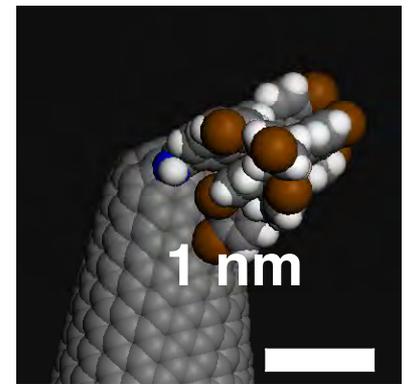
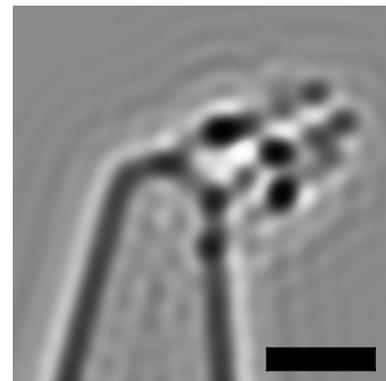
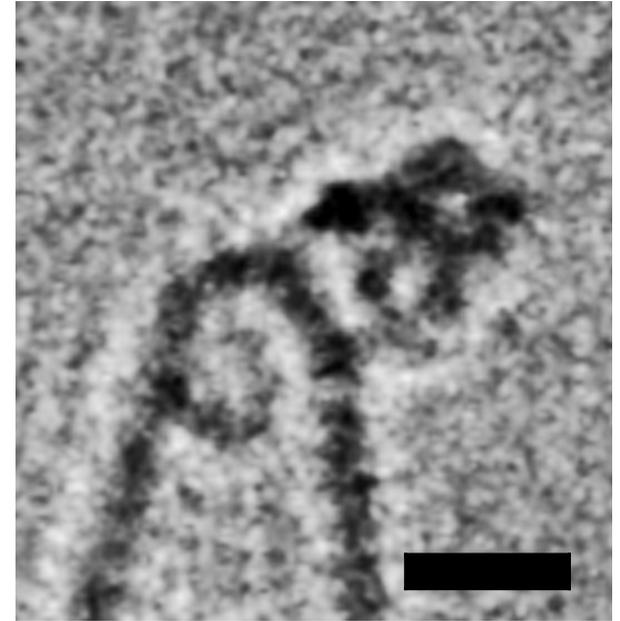
(n-2) x Y

(Y' + nY)
Embryo

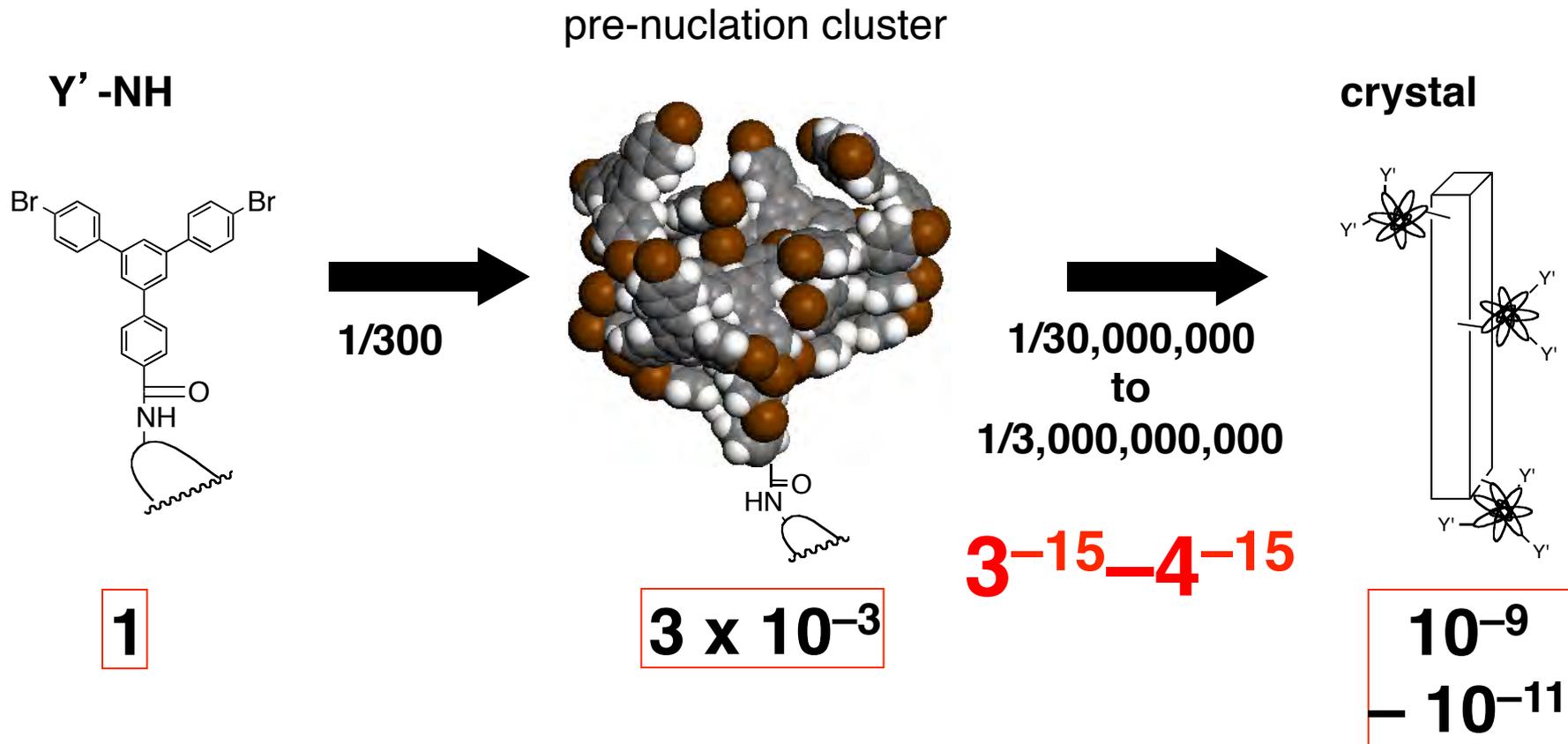
A Termolecular Pre-nucleation Cluster Standing Upright on CNH Surface



$(Y' + 2 \cdot Y)$



Probability of Growth of a Cluster to a Crystal



$3^{-15} - 4^{-15}$: 15 molecules in one cluster with 3-4 possible orientations take the best orientation at the same time.

**Disordered to Ordered Transition is a
Stochastic Process,
depending on the cluster size, mobility of
the molecules and temperature**

erratic

slow cooling

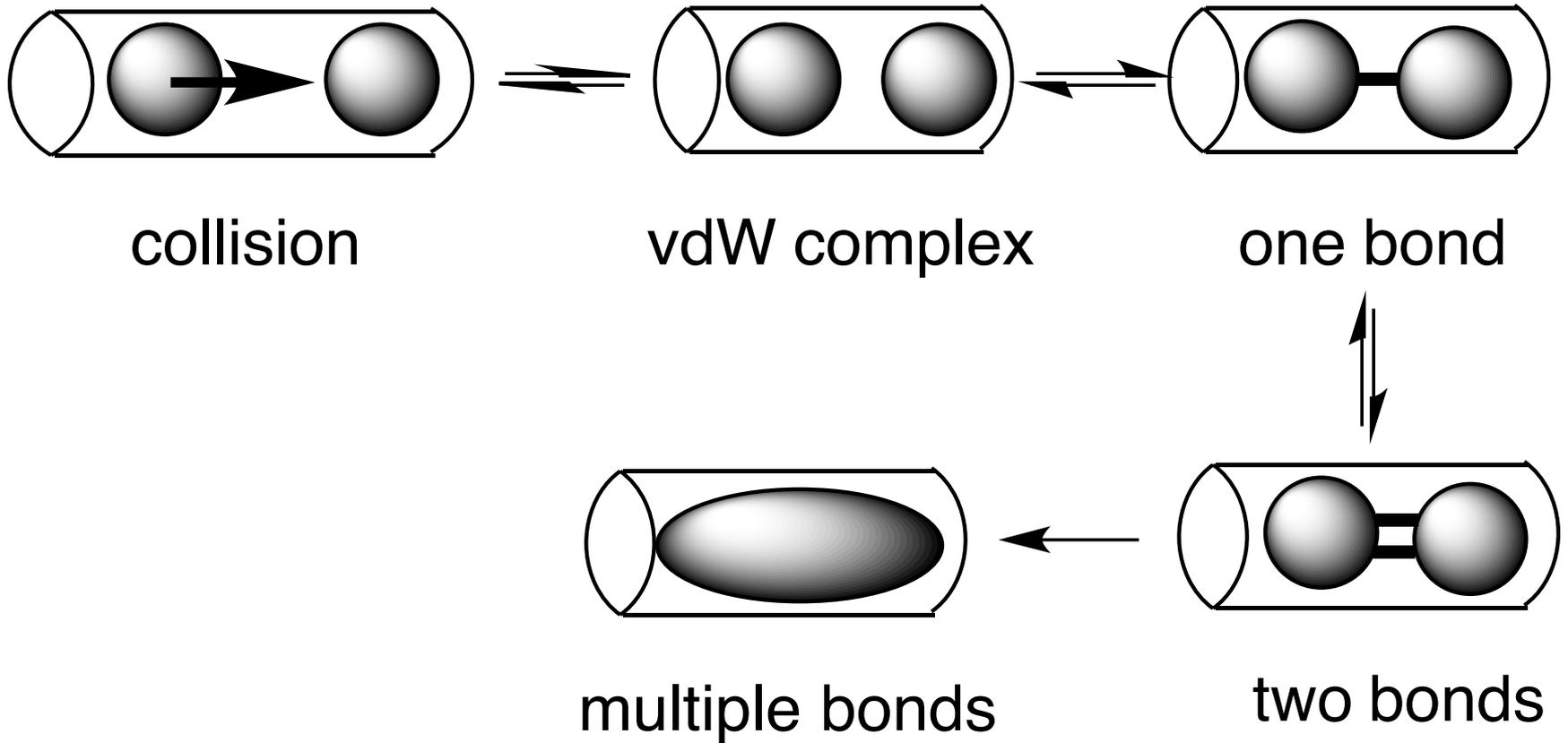
flexible molecules vs. rigid molecules

Kinetic Analysis of Individual Events of C60 Dimerization by Atomic Resolution Electron Microscopy

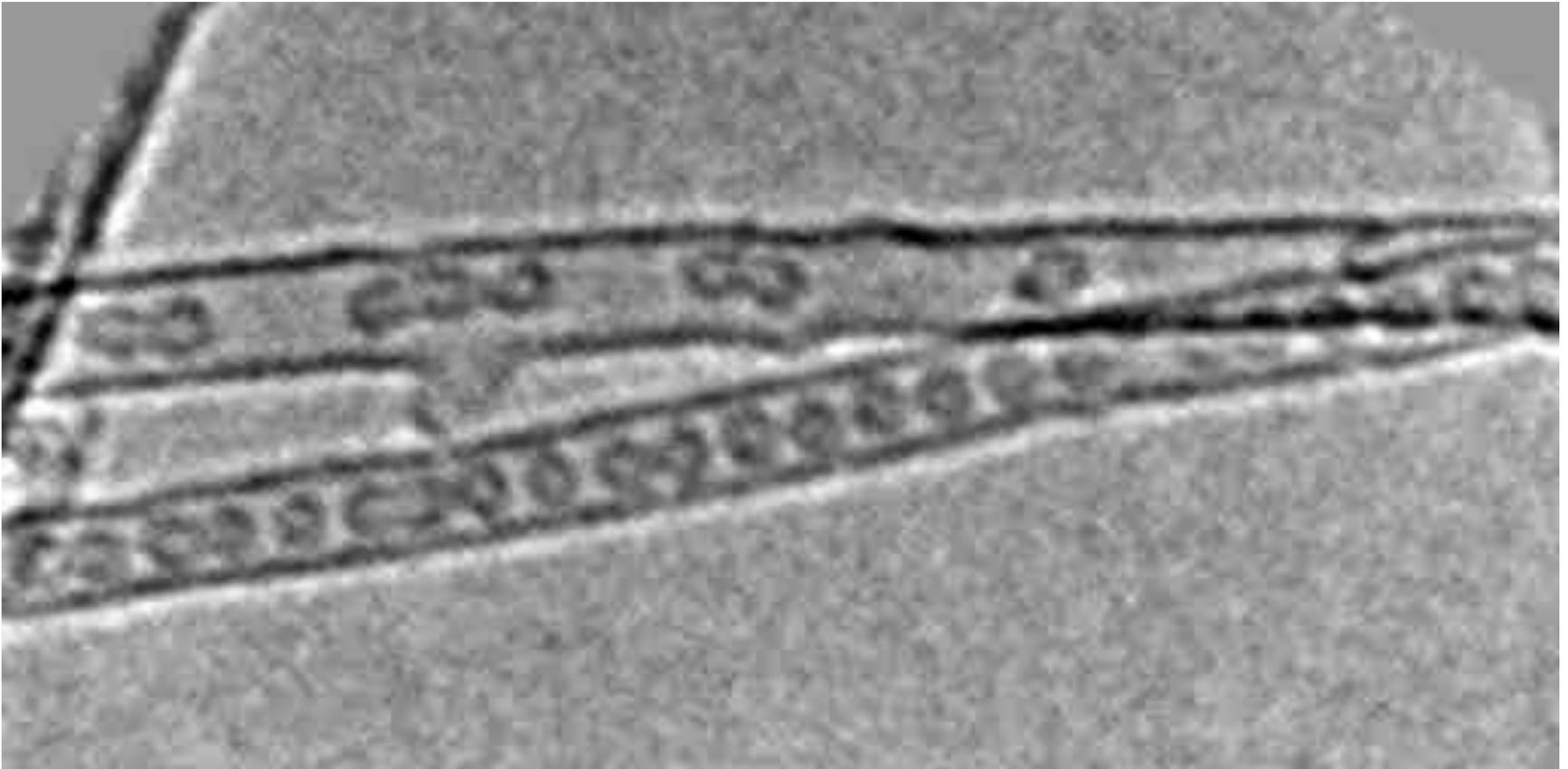
Manuscript in preparation
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Kaoru Yamanouchi



1-D Model of Collision, van der Waals Complex, Reaction

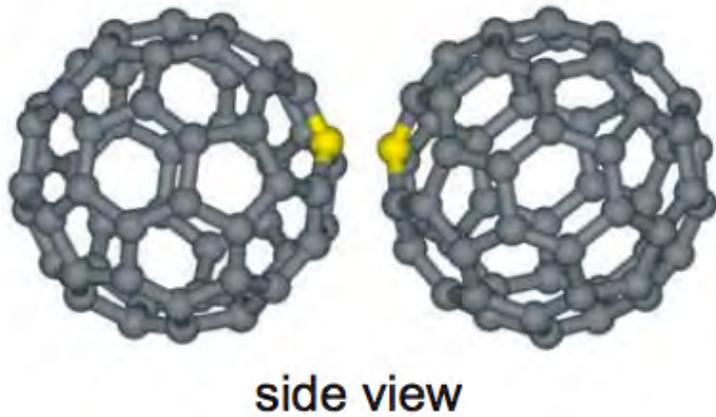


Collision, van der Waals Complex, Bond Formation at 793K



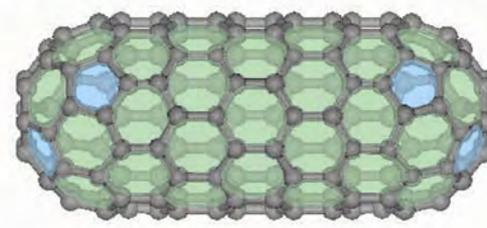
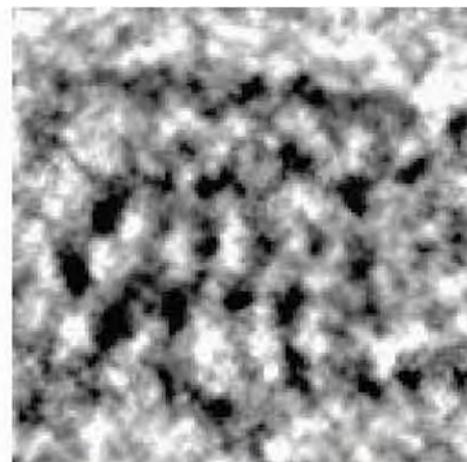
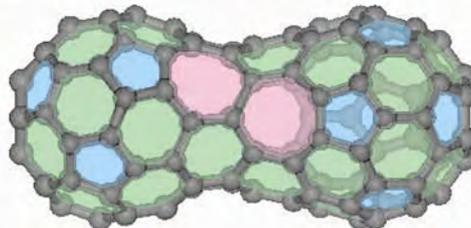
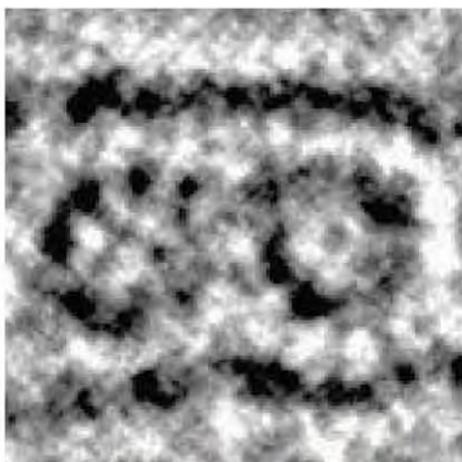
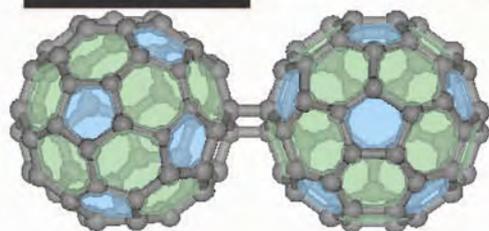
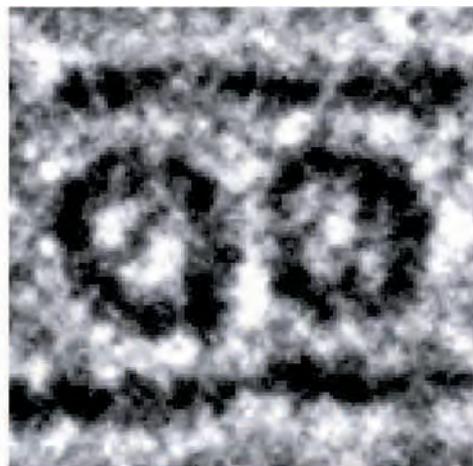
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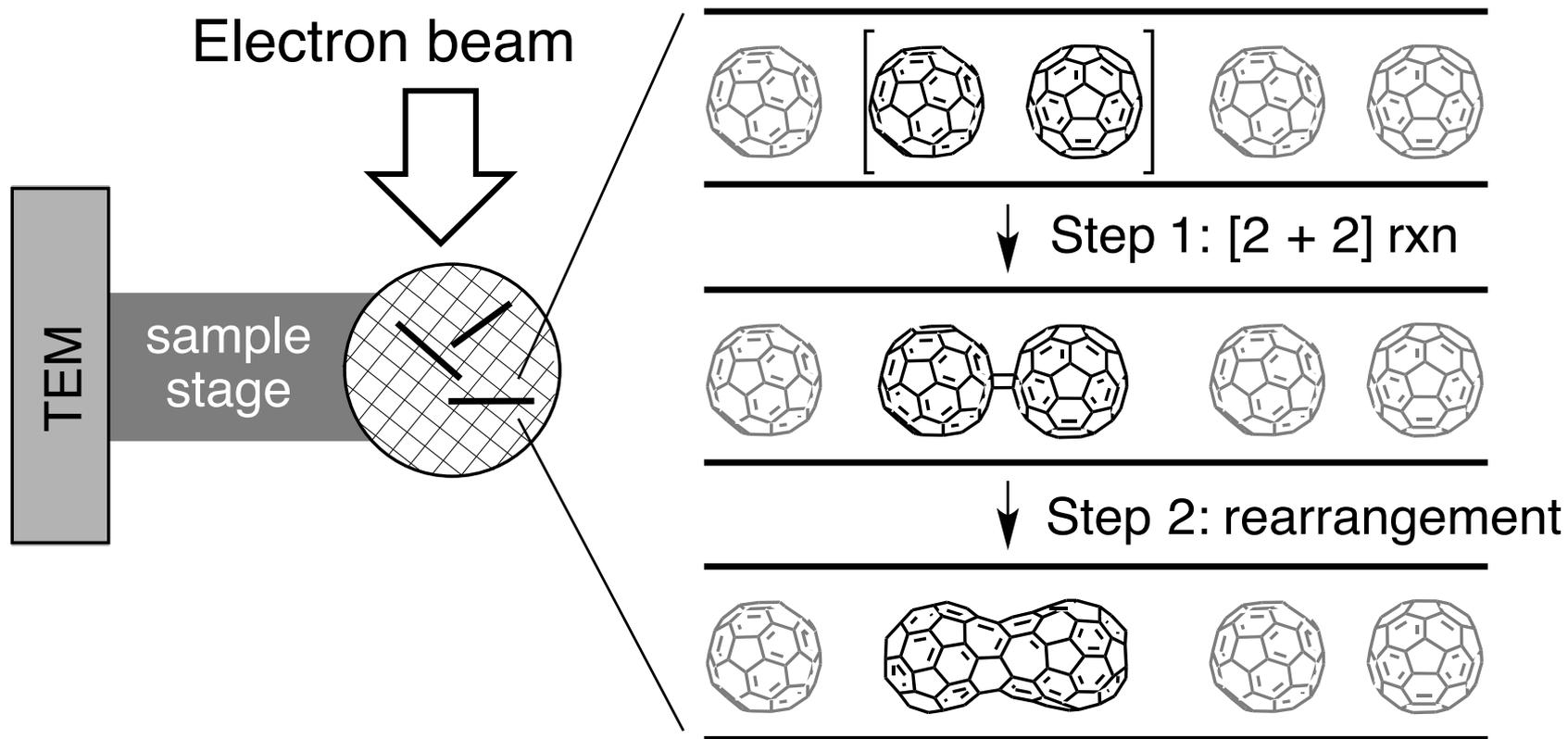
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Atom-level Analysis of Reaction Intermediates

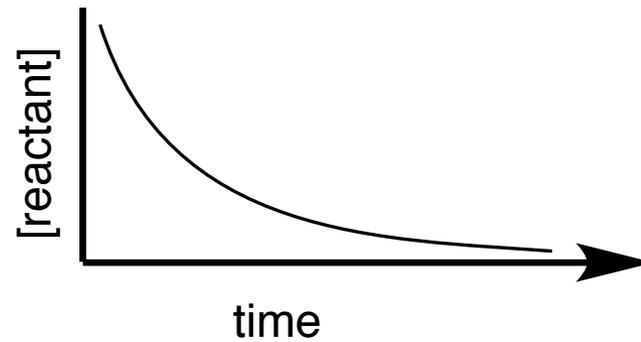
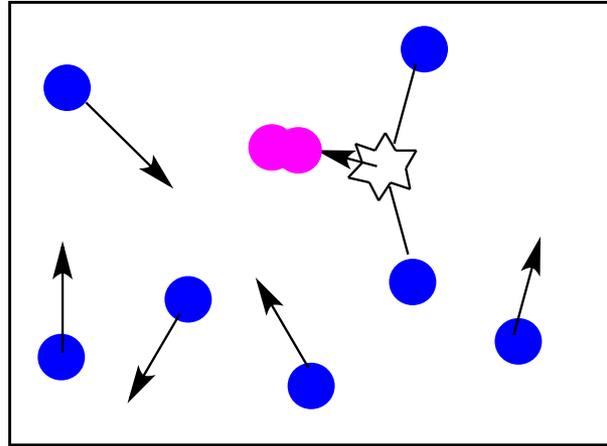


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[2 + 2] Dimerization Followed by C–C Rearrangement



Conventional statistical kinetics

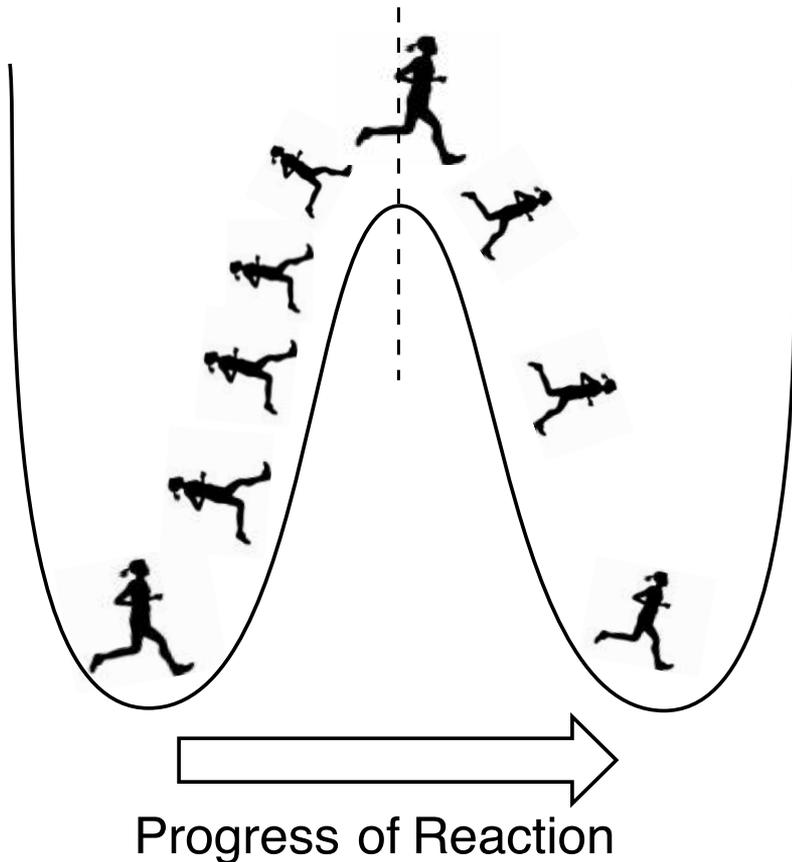


Reaction rate

$$k = (\text{reaction}) \times (\text{diffusion})$$

A Classical Transition State Theory

Constant Flux of Molecules
through Dividing Surface



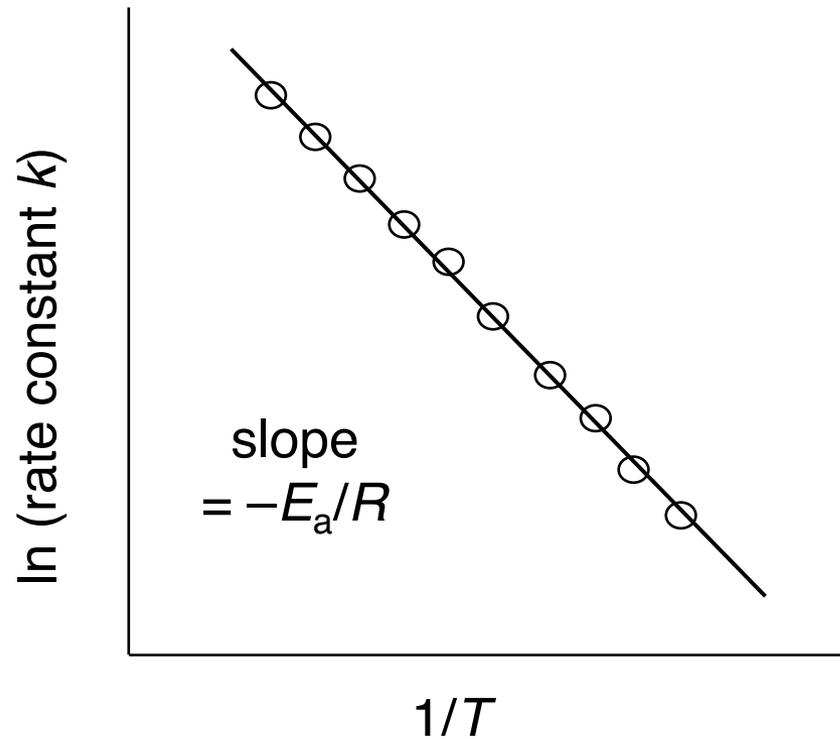
Eyring equation

$$k = \frac{k_B T}{h c^0} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta H - T \Delta S}{k_B T}\right)$$

Dependent on conc.
(c^0) & diffusion (ΔS)

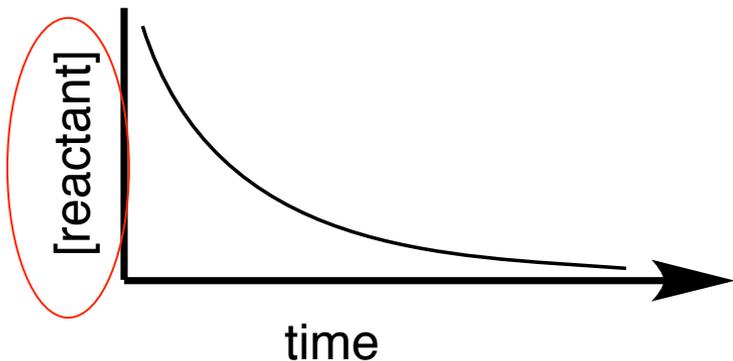
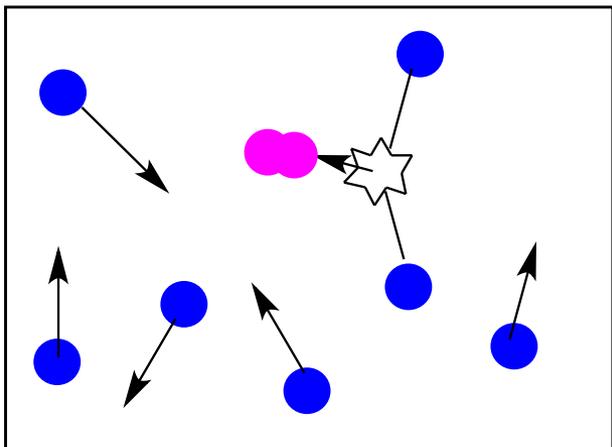
Experimentally...

Arrhenius plot of
the reaction



Transition from Classics to Quantum Mechanics

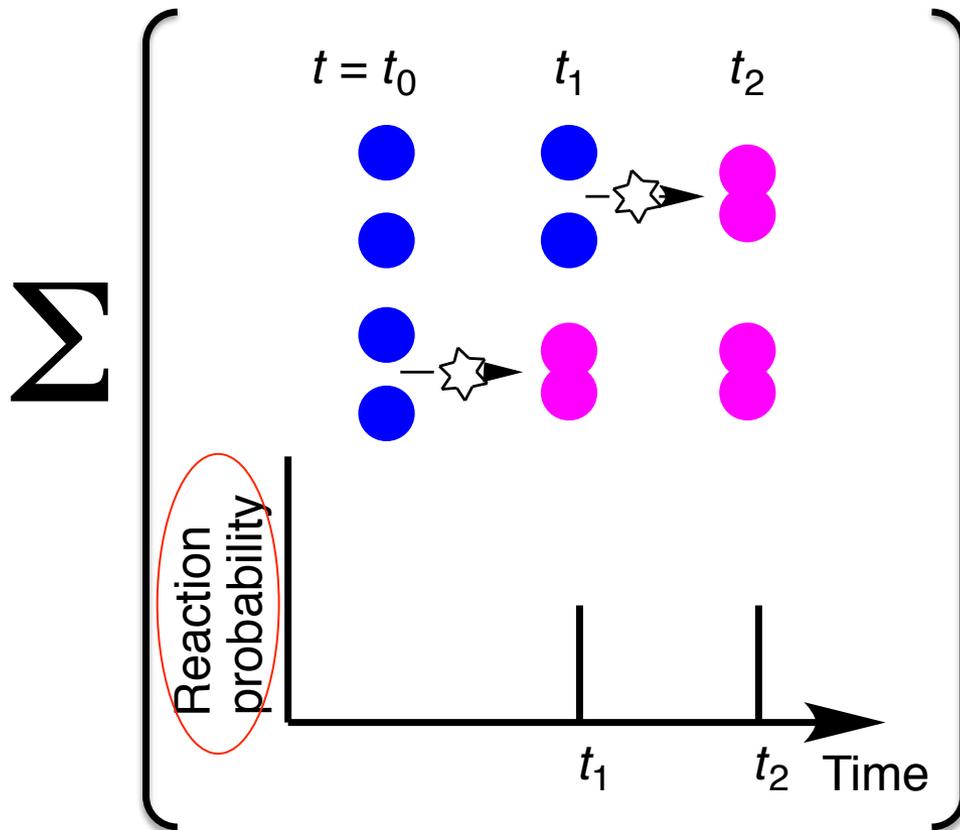
Statistical kinetics



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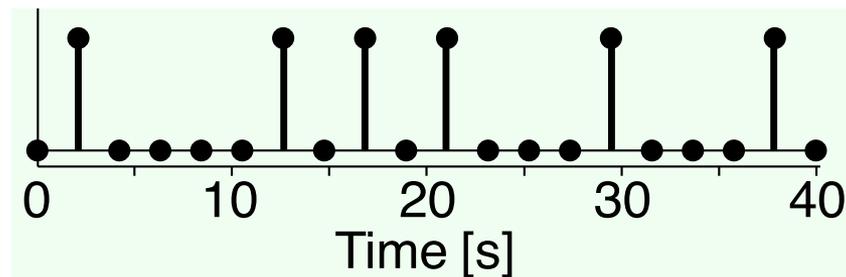
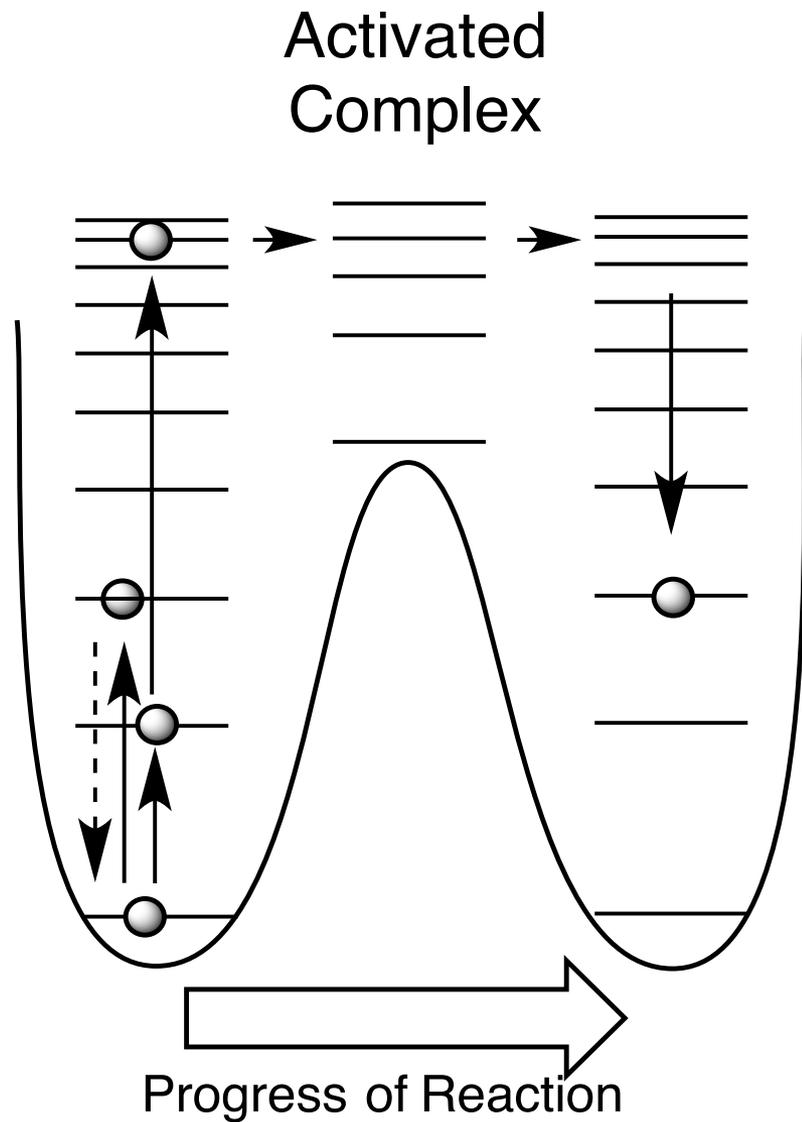
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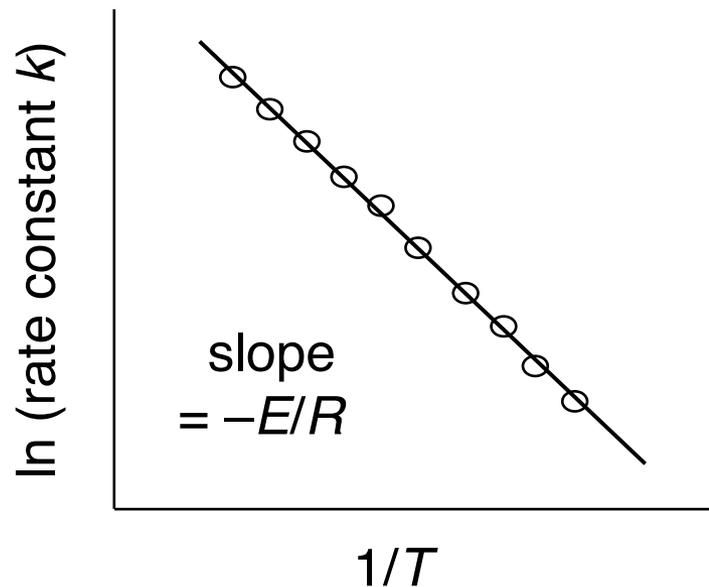
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A Quantum Mechanical Transition State Theory



RRKM
theory



Observation of Single Molecular Reaction Events

Classics

Quantum mechanics

Eyring equation

Rice–Ramsperger–
Kassel–Marcus theory

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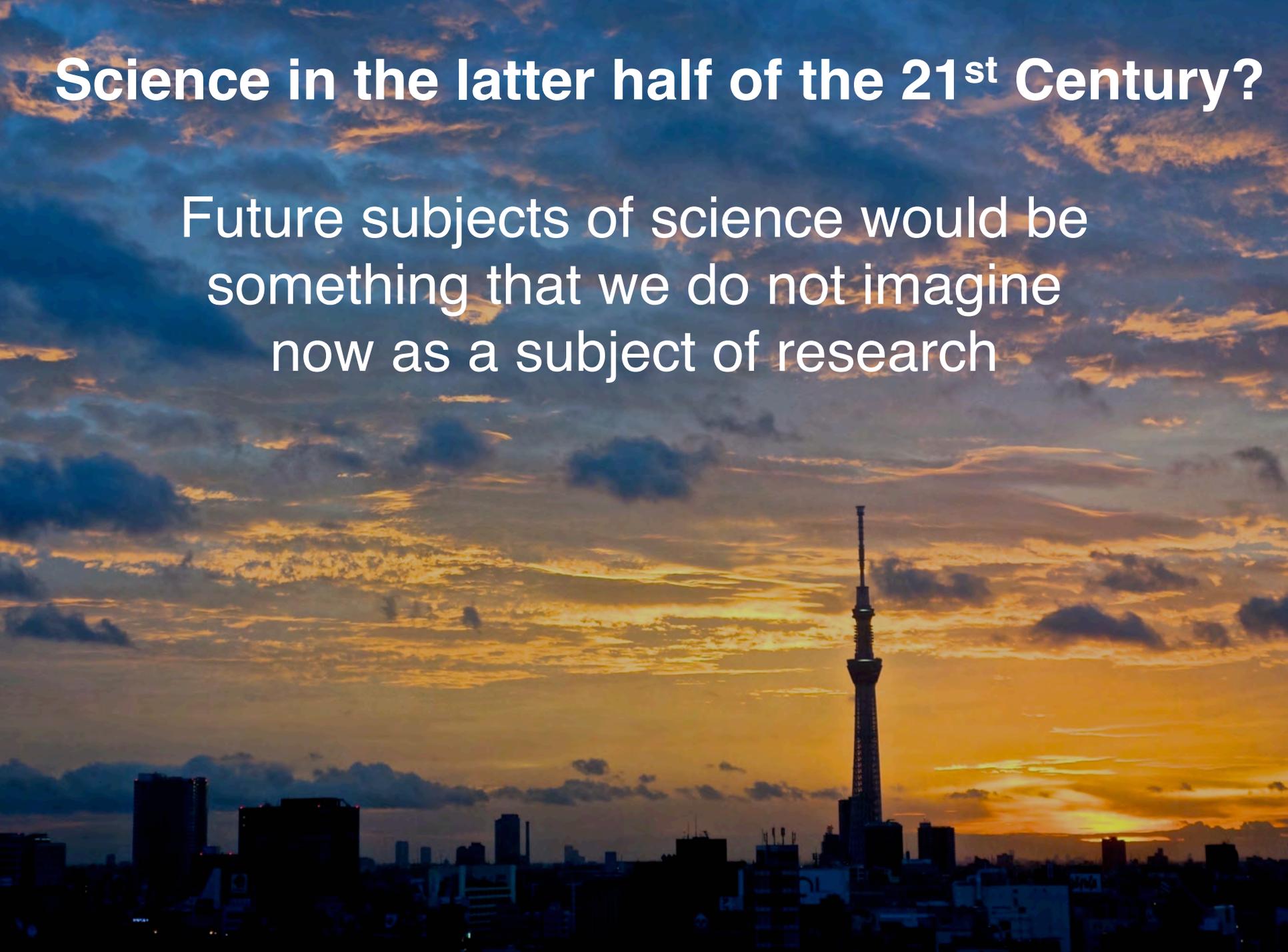
$$k(\varepsilon) = \frac{\sum \rho(\varepsilon^{active})}{h N(\varepsilon)}$$

Dependent on conc.
(c^0) & diffusion (ΔS)

The density of states of
reactants (ρ) divided by those
of activated complex (N)

Science in the latter half of the 21st Century?

Future subjects of science would be something that we do not imagine now as a subject of research



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