

Self-assembly of polychlorotriphenylmethyl organic radicals on surfaces

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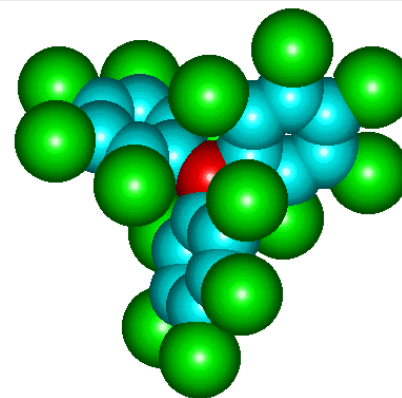
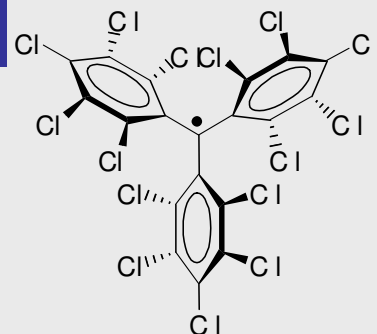
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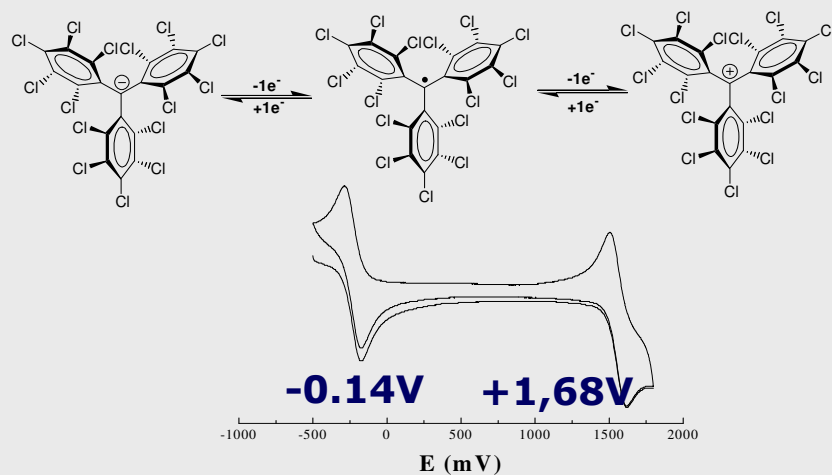
INTRODUCTION

Polychlorotriphenylmethyl (PTMs) radicals.

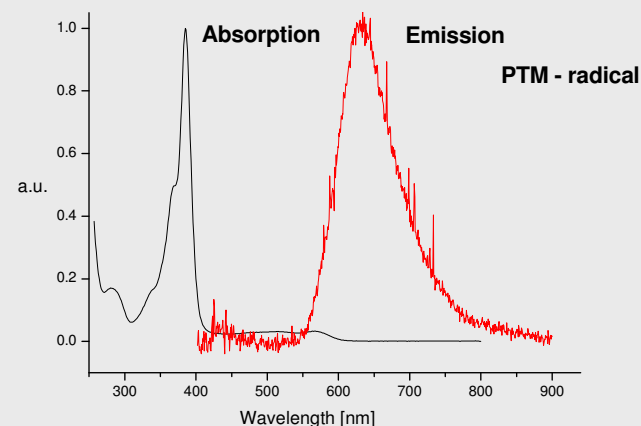
- Highly persistent
- Easily functionalized
- Open-shell structures (**magnetism**)



- **Electroactive**

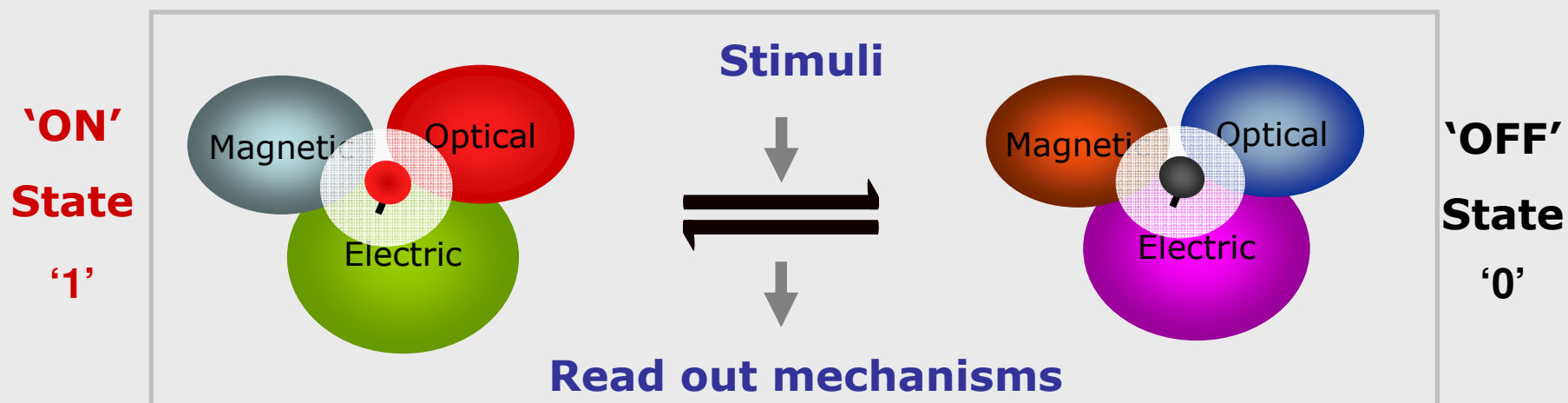


- **Fluorescence 600nm (red)**



Motivation

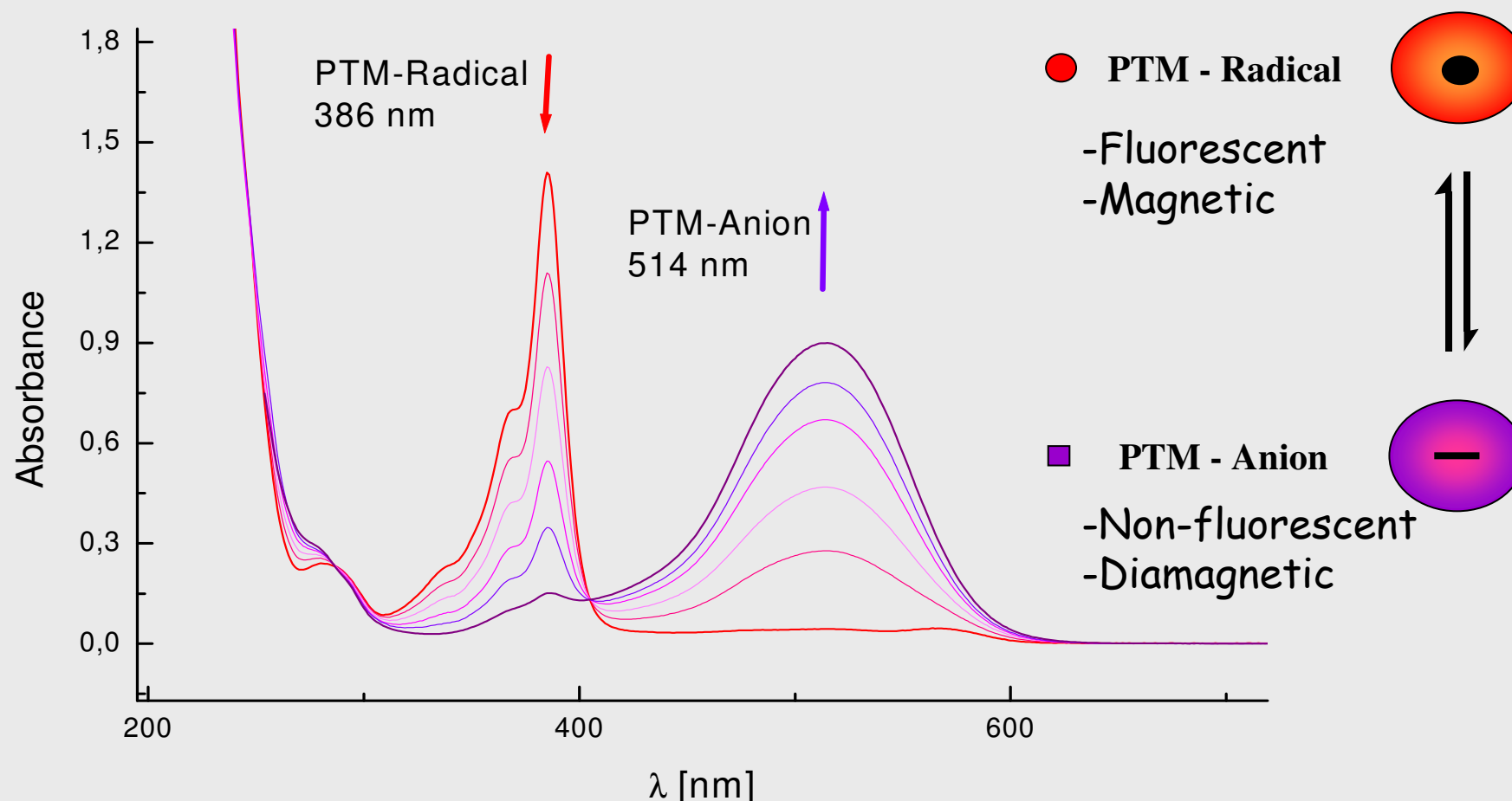
A switch or memory device mechanism → Bistable systems



A molecule having two stable and fully reversible states exhibiting different optical, magnetic or electrical properties

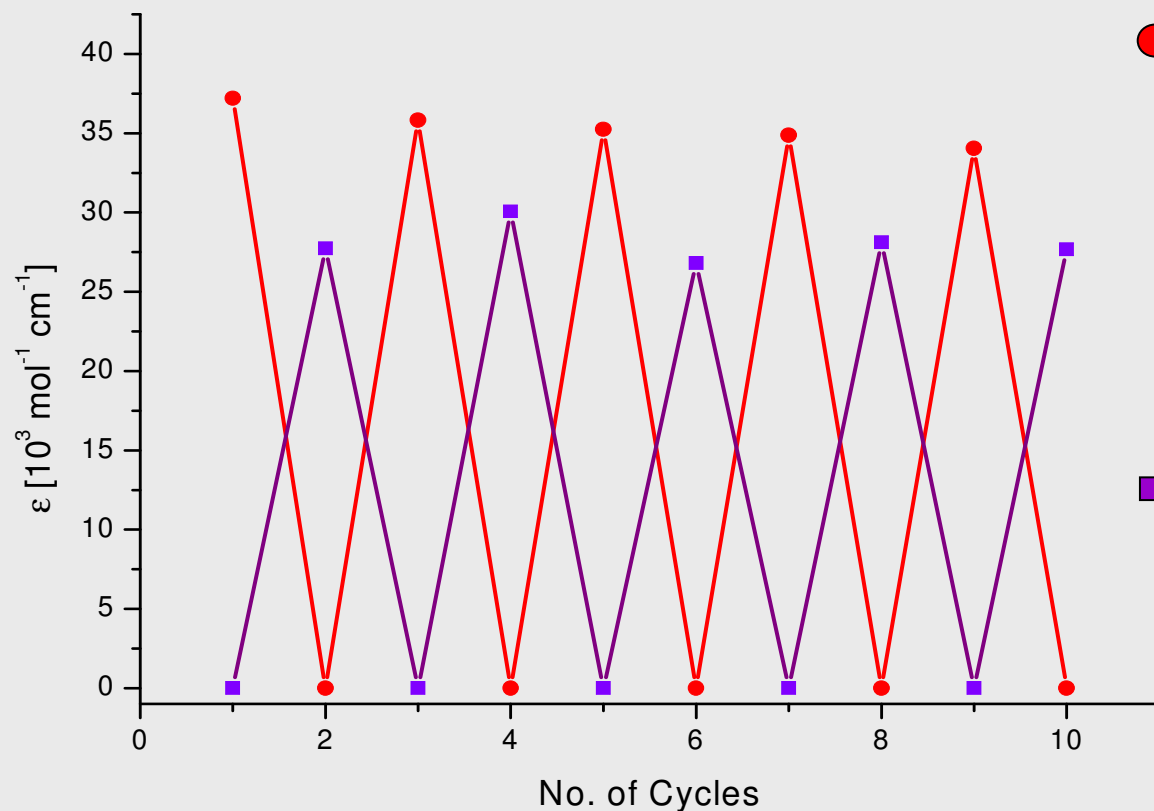
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UV/Vis Spectra of the **PTM Radical** and **Anion** in a Chronoamperometric Experiment



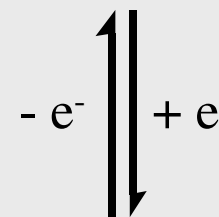
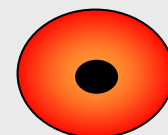
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Redox- Switching of the UV/Vis- Response between the **PTM-Radical** and the **PTM- Anion**



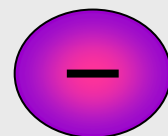
● **PTM - Radical**

$\epsilon : 35400 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$
(sd: +/- 3,3%)



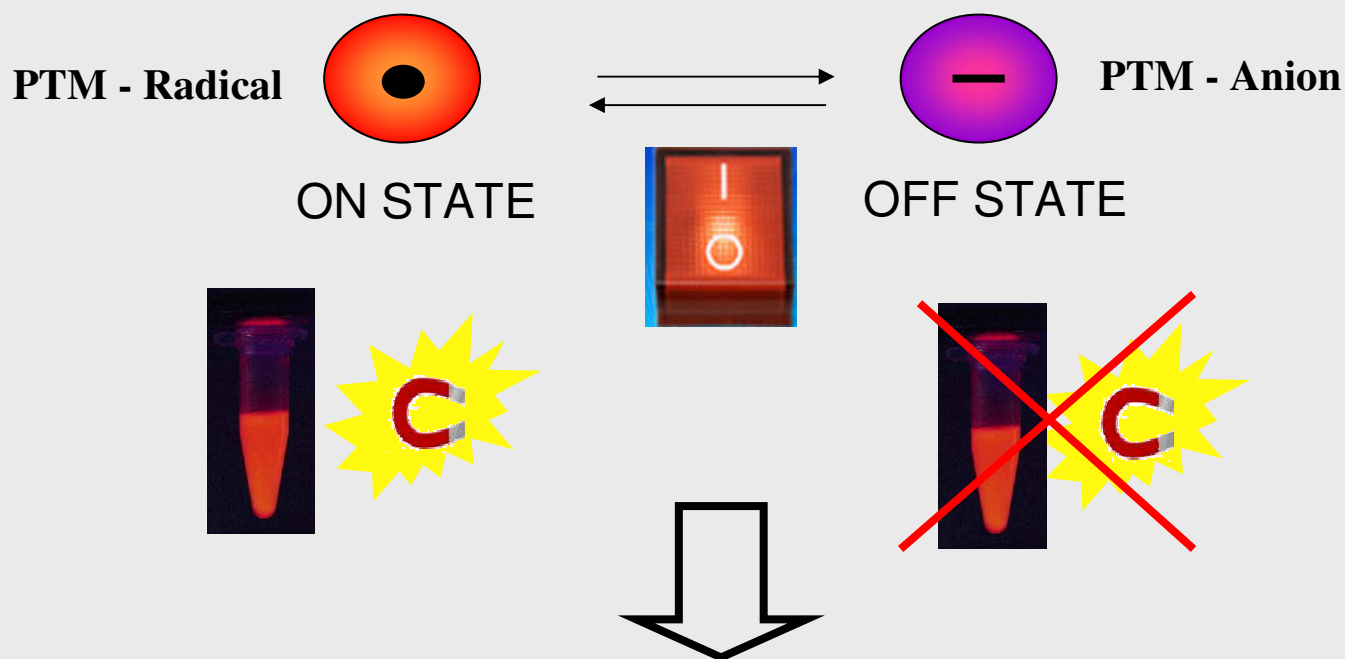
■ **PTM - Anion**

$\epsilon : 28100 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$
(sd: +/- 4,3%)



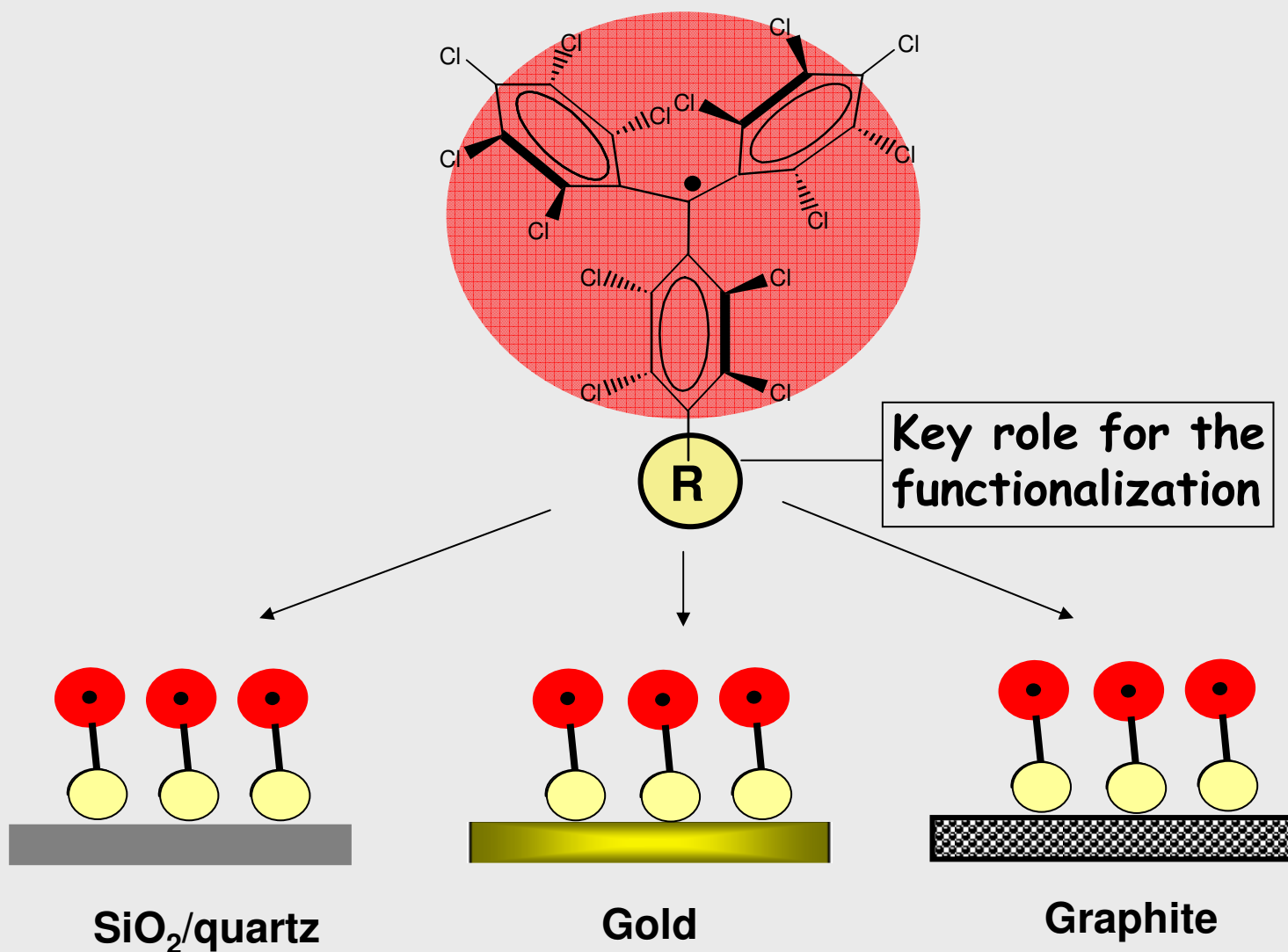
Switch

PTM RADICALS ARE GOOD BUILDING BLOCKS FOR PREPARING MULTIFUNCTIONAL MOLECULAR SWITCHES



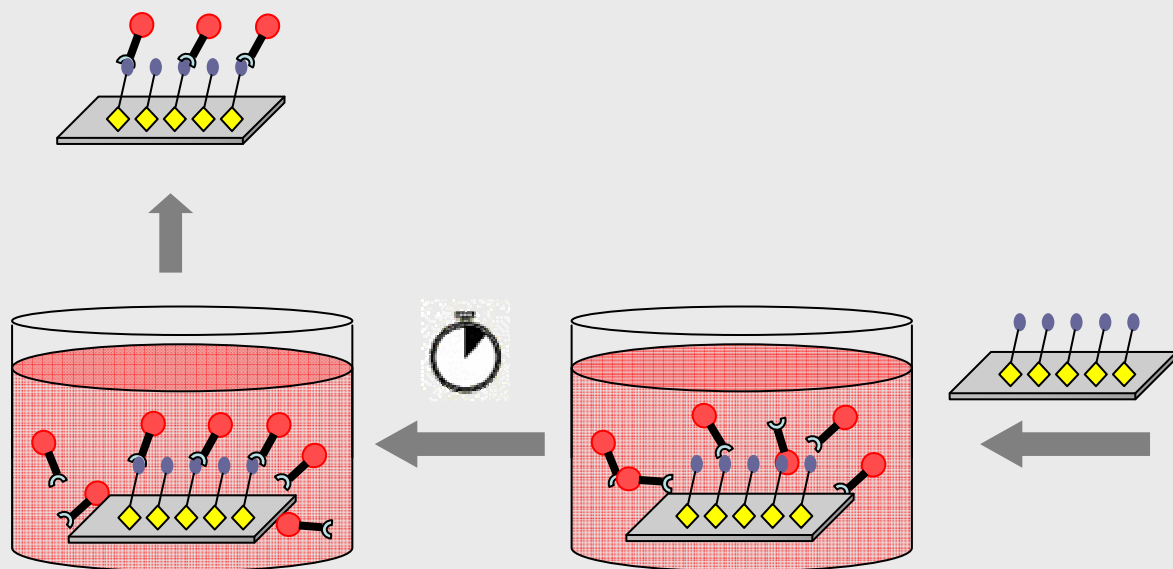
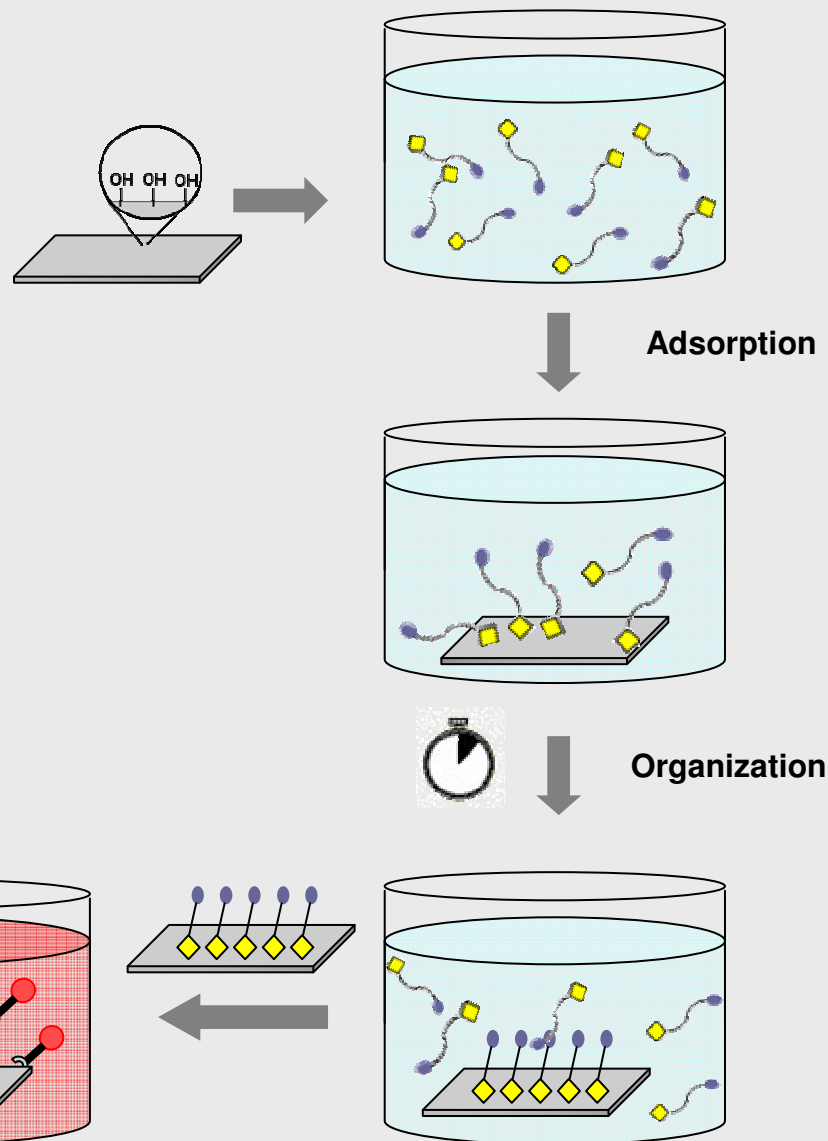
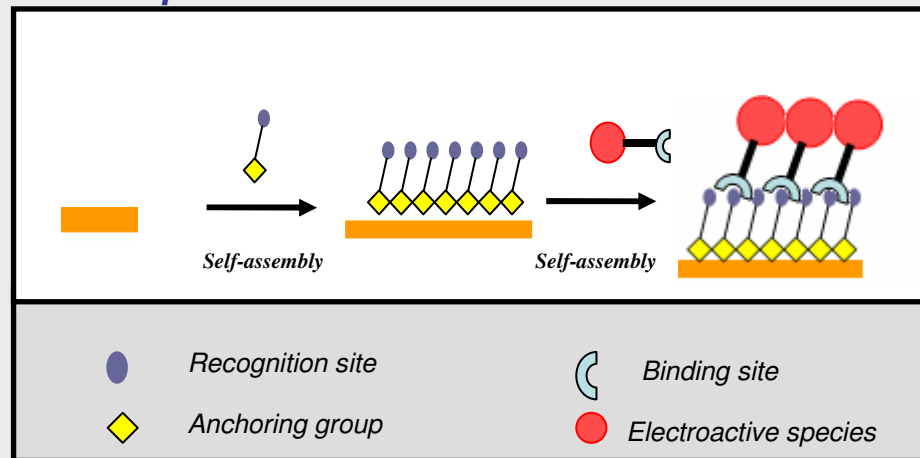
Functionalise surfaces with PTM radicals for memory devices/switches

Functionalization of different surfaces

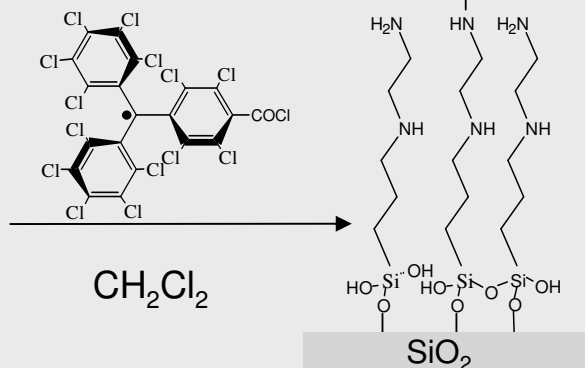
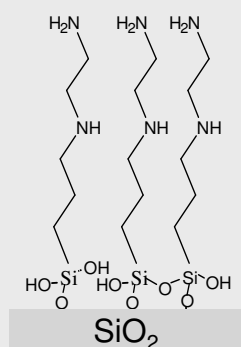
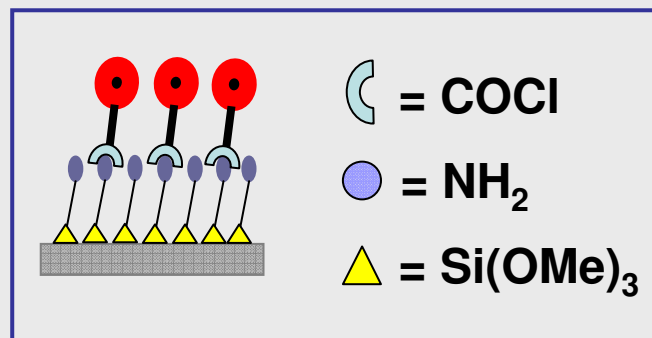


PREPARATION OF PTM SELF ASSEMBLED MONOLAYERS (SAMs) ON SILICON OXIDE AND QUARTZ SURFACES

Two-steps

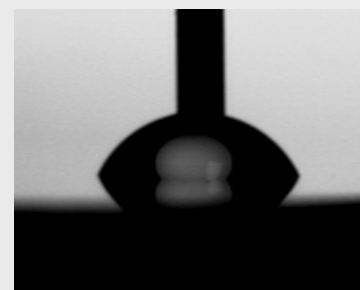


PTM SAM based on Covalent Bonding



CONTACT ANGLE

NH₂-SAM ADVANCING



PTM-SAM ADVANCING

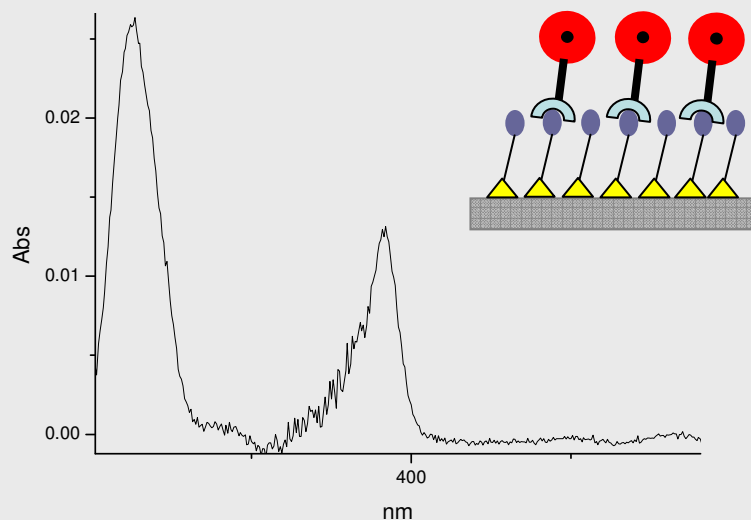


Contact angle, Ellipsometry, X-Ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS)

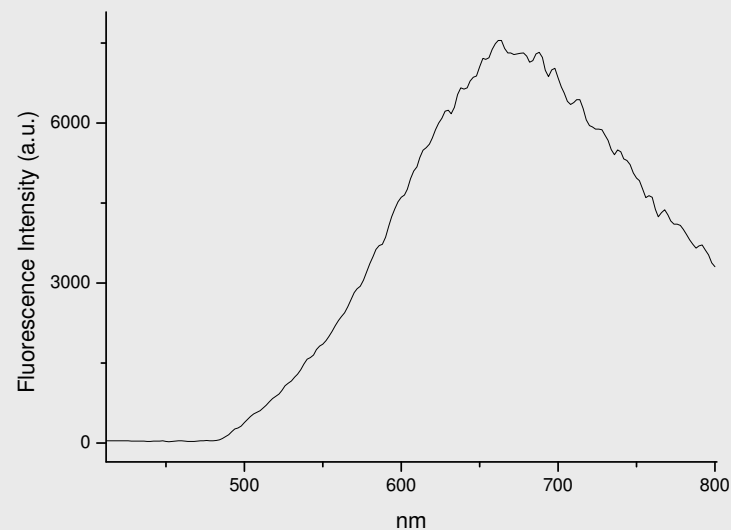
SAM	$\theta_{\text{adv.}}(^{\circ})$	$\theta_{\text{rec.}}(^{\circ})$	Ell.thick.(nm)	Cl/N (XPS)
NH ₂	57.3±1.2	22.7±3.7	0.8	-
PTM	84.0±0.2	44.0±2.0	1.3	1.6 1 PTM / 4.4 NH₂

Optical Characterisation and EPR of the SAM (on quartz and glass)

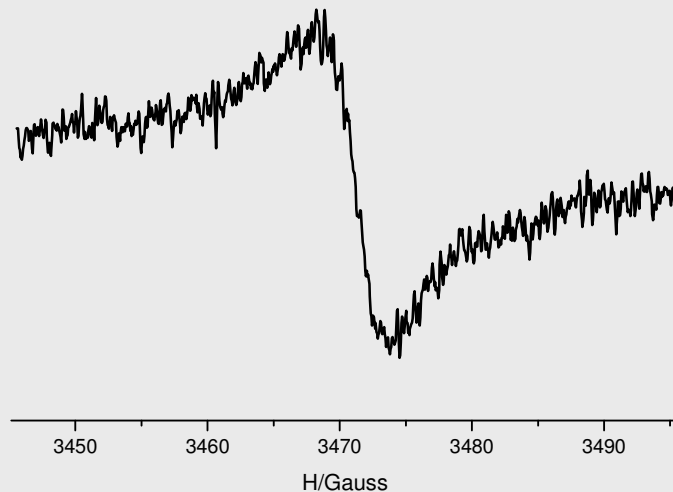
UV-vis spectra:



Fluorescence emission spectra:

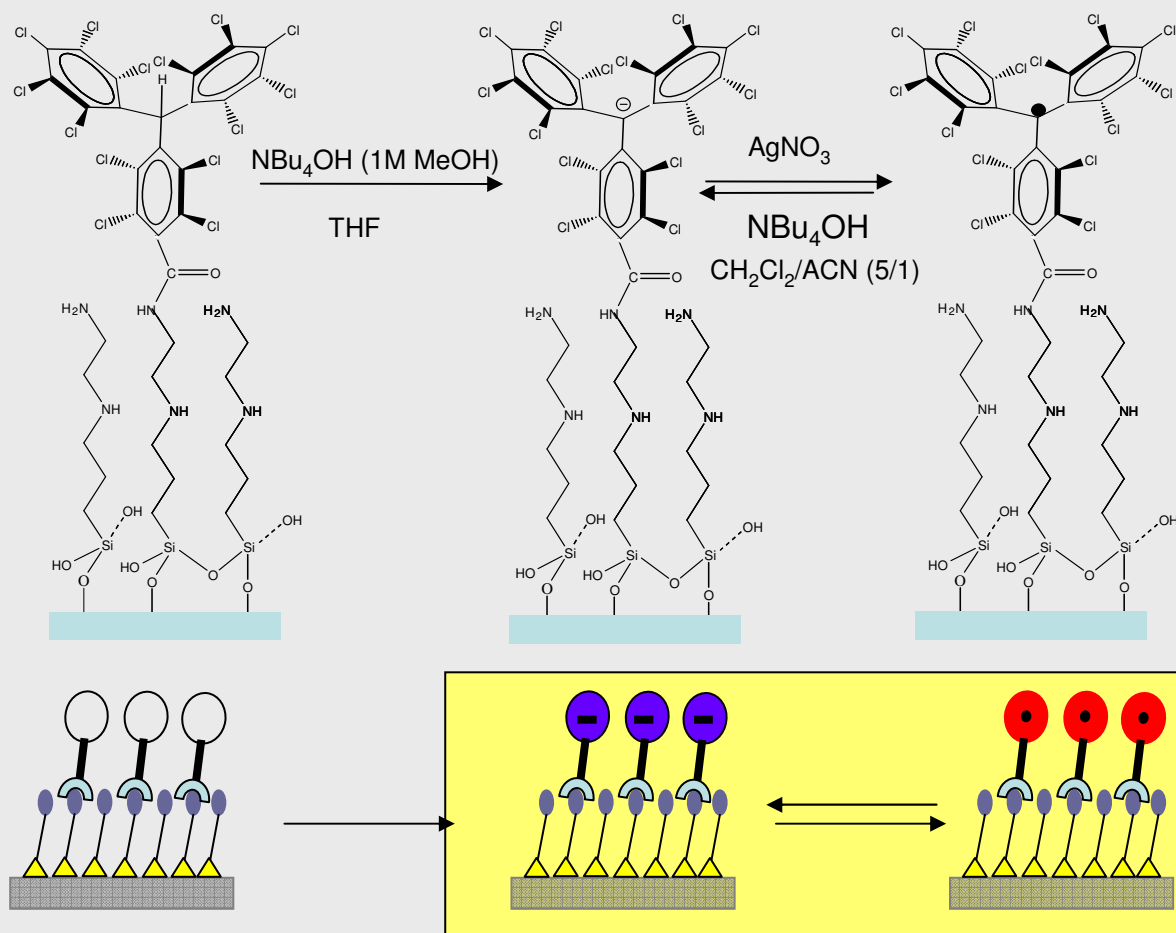


Electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR)



$$g = 2.0024$$
$$\Delta H_{pp} \approx 5.2 G$$

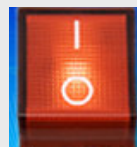
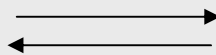
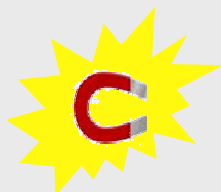
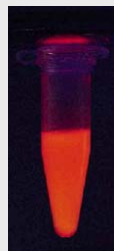
PTM radical generated in situ on the surface



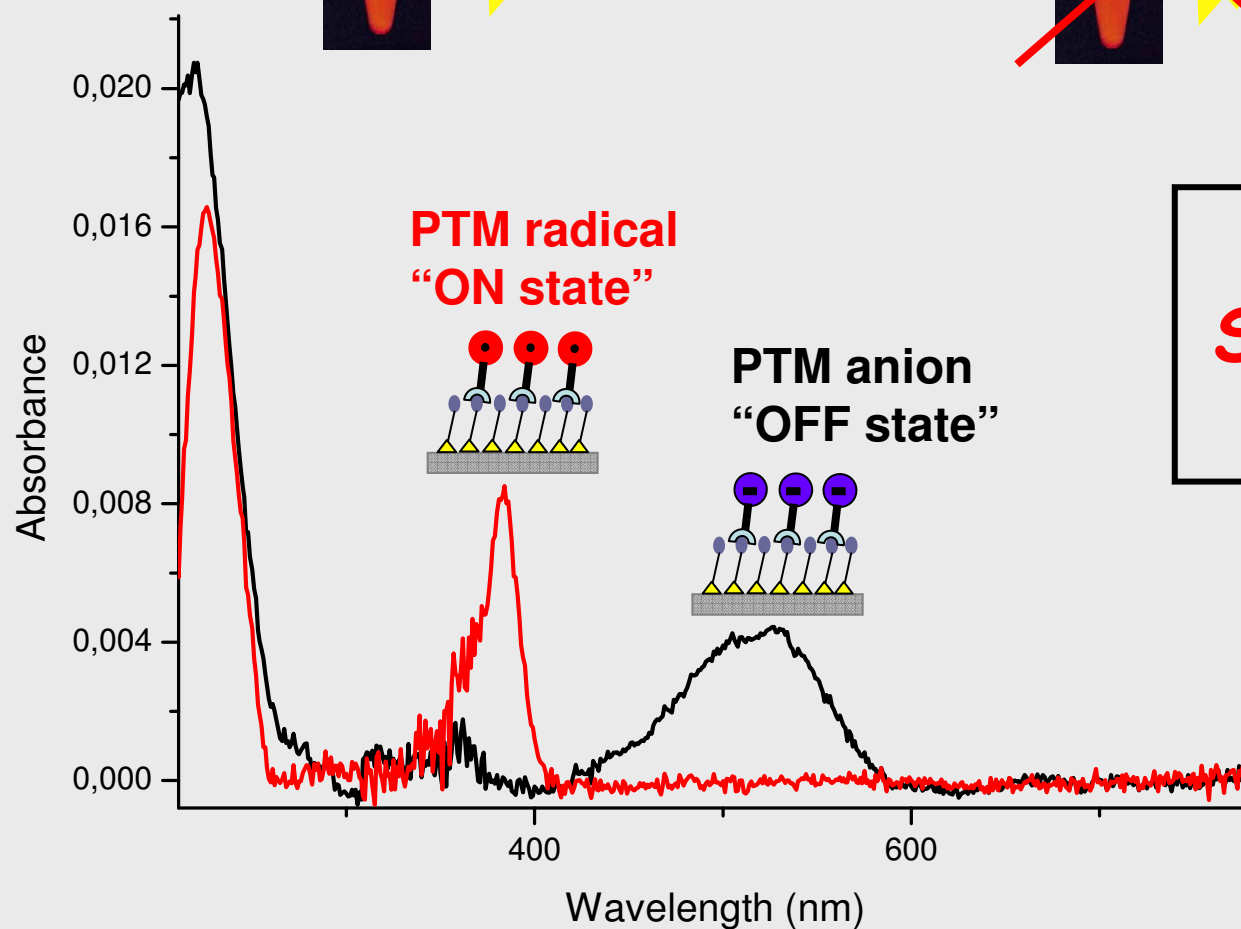
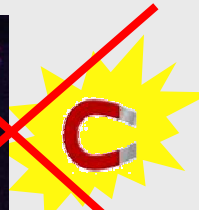
**Possible to carry out chemical reactions
on the PTM SAMs**

Chemical Switch with Optical and Magnetic Response

ON STATE



OFF STATE

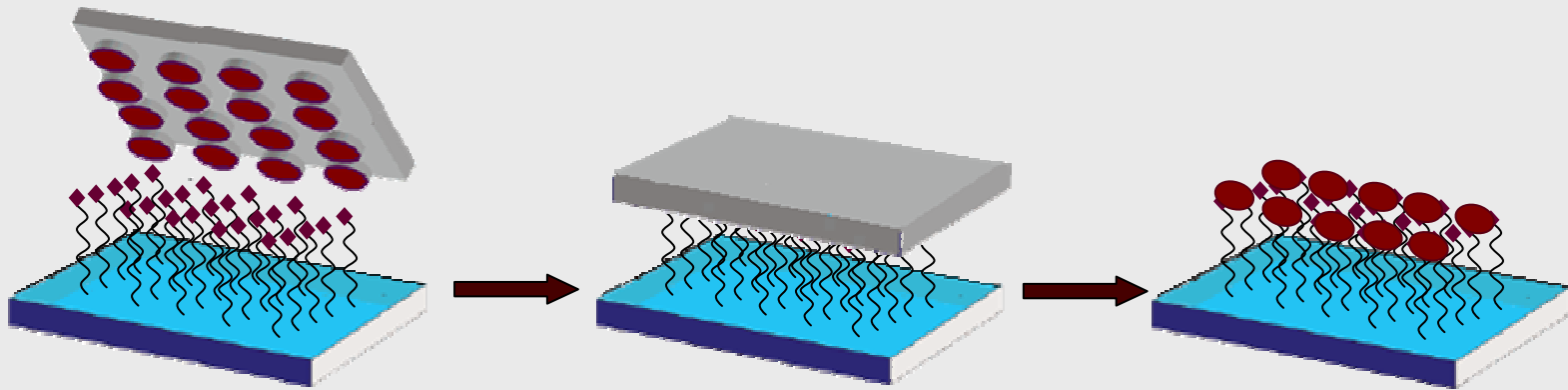


**CHEMICAL
SWITCH ON A
SURFACE**

One step further...

Patterning of the surface: Fluorescent, magnetic and redox active patterned glass surface.

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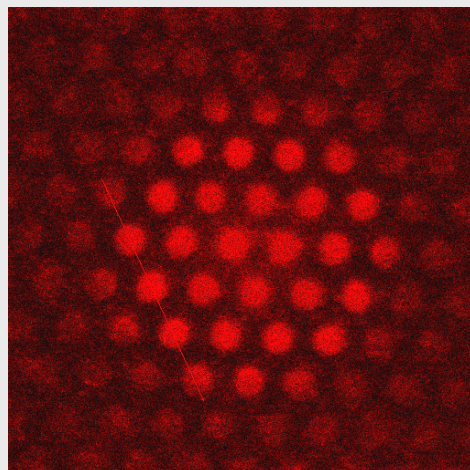
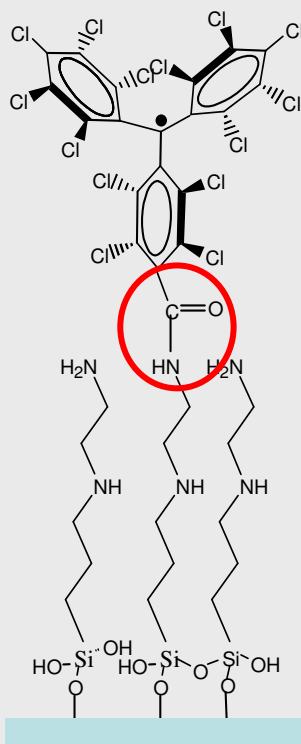


- 1) Functionalization of a glass slide with the amino-terminated monolayer.
- 2) The stamp is dipped in the ink solution (PTM solution).
- 3) The stamp is brought in contact with the amino monolayer and kept for some minutes before careful removal.

Microcontact printing

Ink solution: 0.1 mM of PTM-COCl (radical) in DMSO

Confocal fluorescence microscopy image

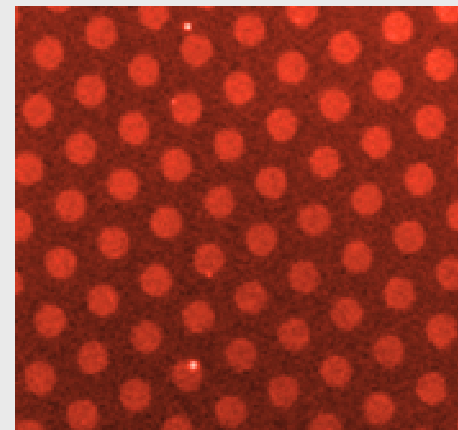
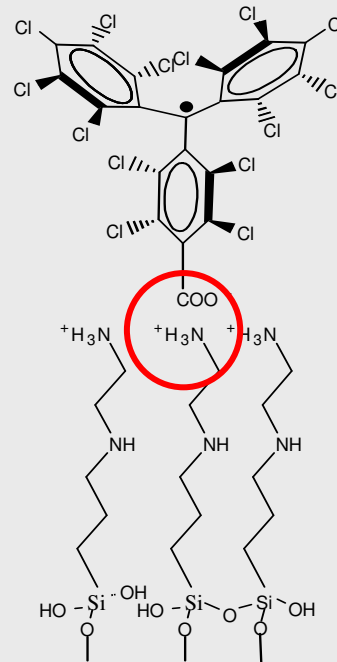


Spot size: 5 μ m

λ_{exc} = 488nm

Ink solution: 0.1mM of PTM-COOH (radical) in acetonitrile

Fluorescence microscopy image

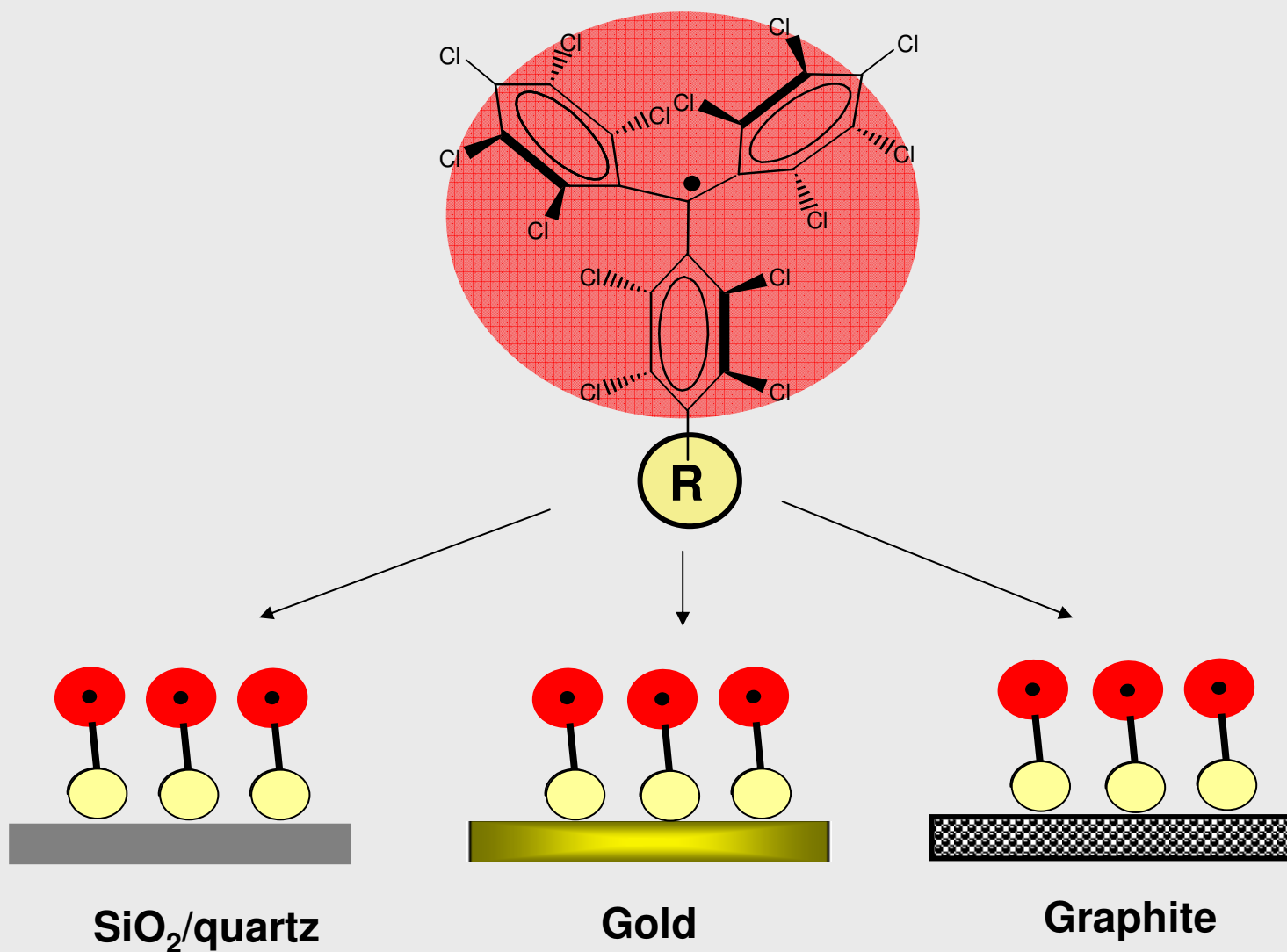


Spot size: 10 μ m

λ_{exc} = 340-370 nm

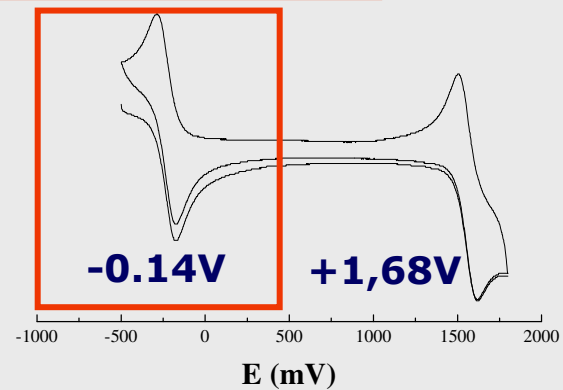
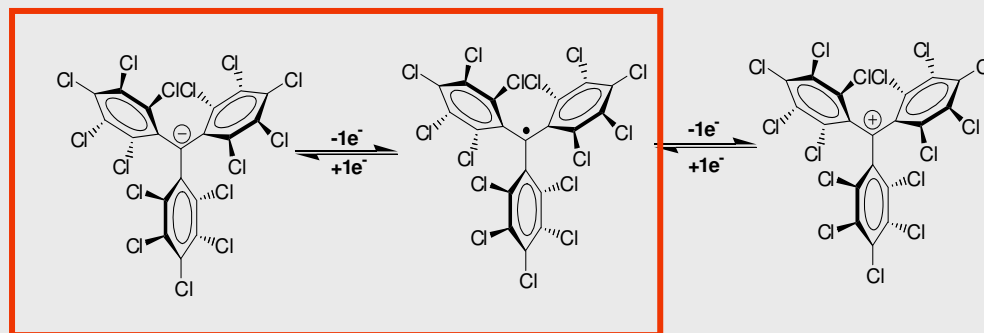
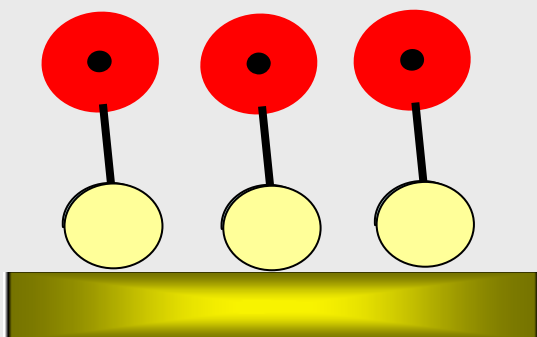
Both strategies (covalent and non-covalent) are good to obtain a patterned surface

Functionalization of different surfaces

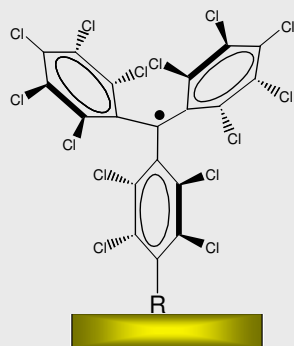


PREPARATION OF PTM SAMs ON GOLD

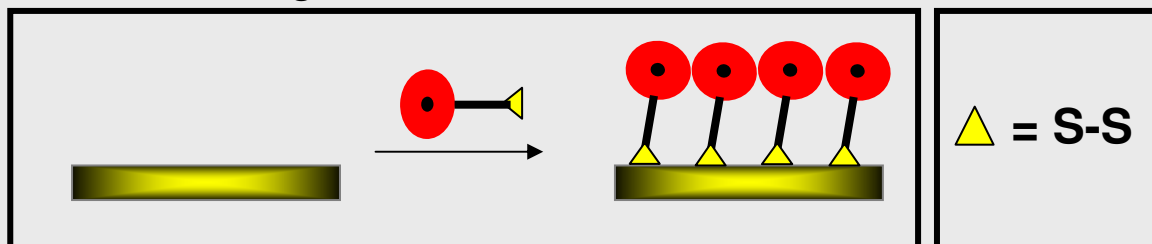
Electrochemical *in situ* characterization



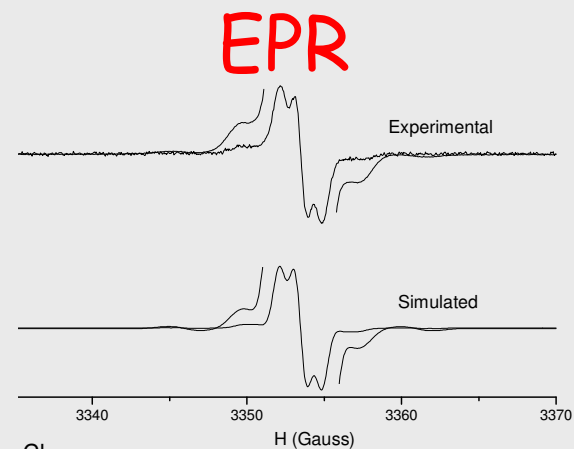
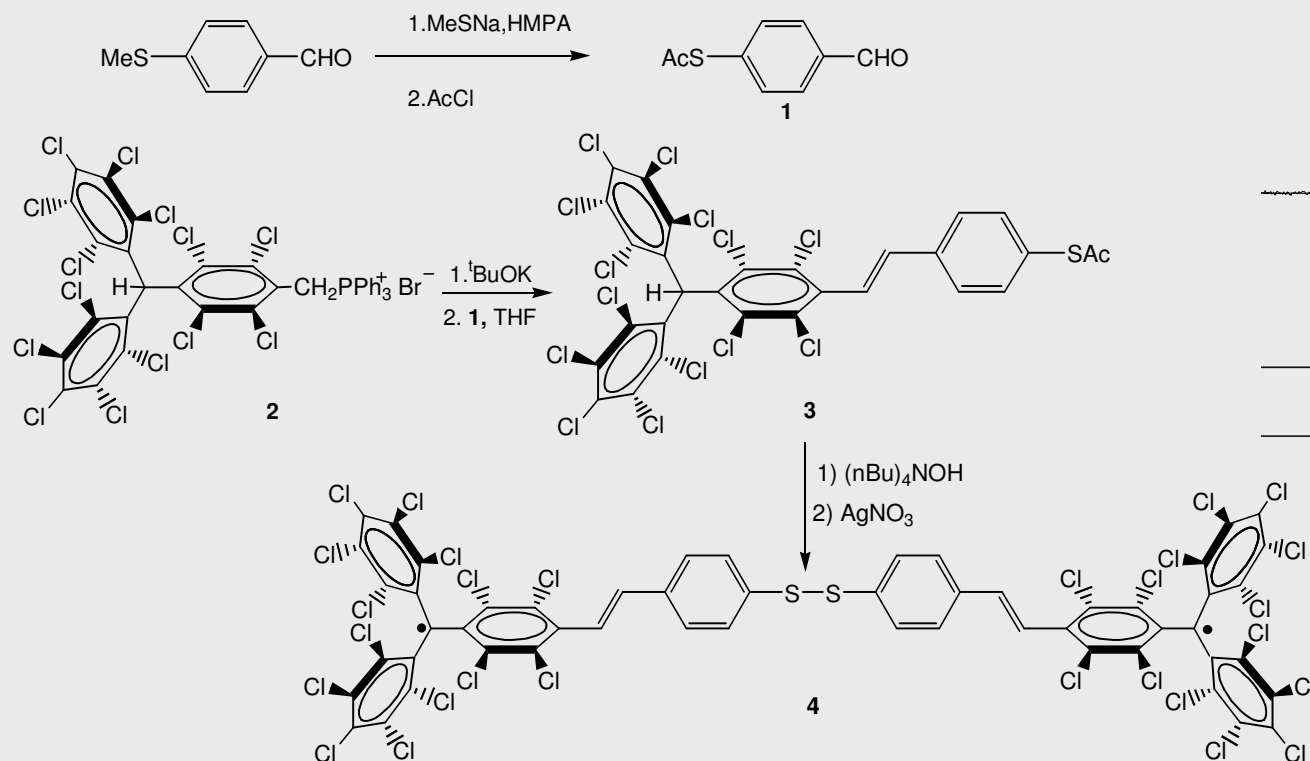
PREPARATION OF PTM SAMs ON GOLD: Direct Anchoring



Direct Anchoring

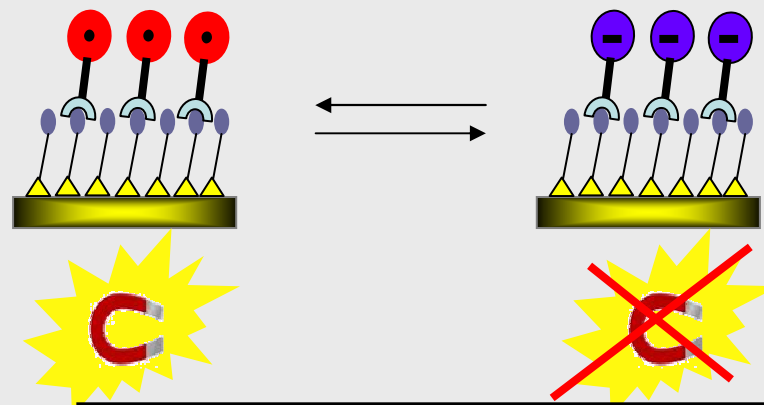
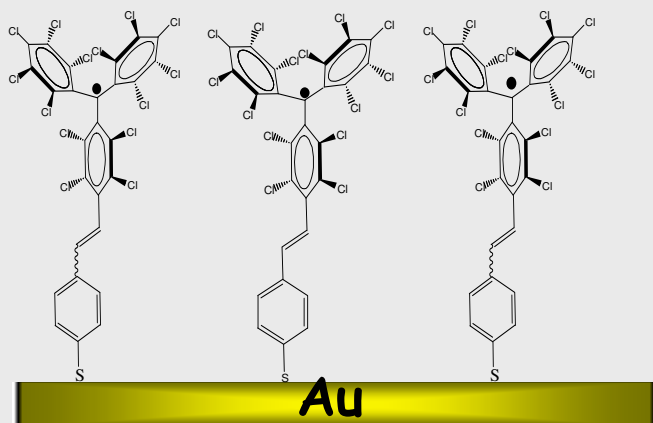


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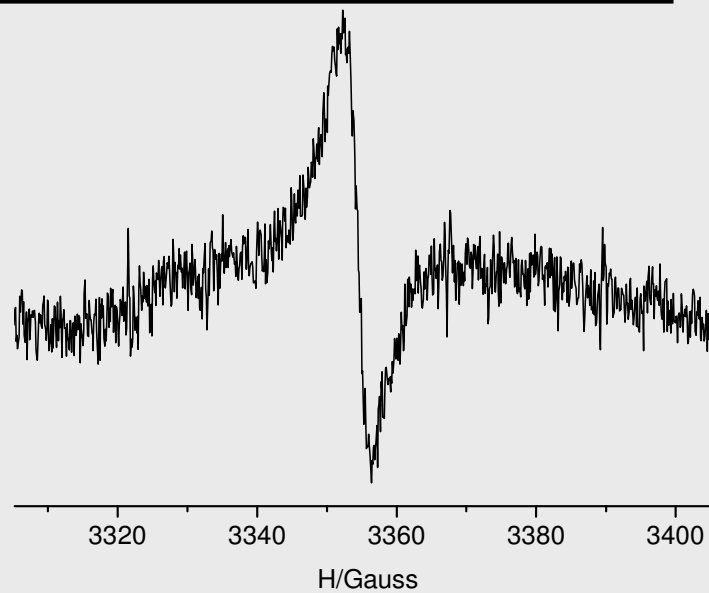
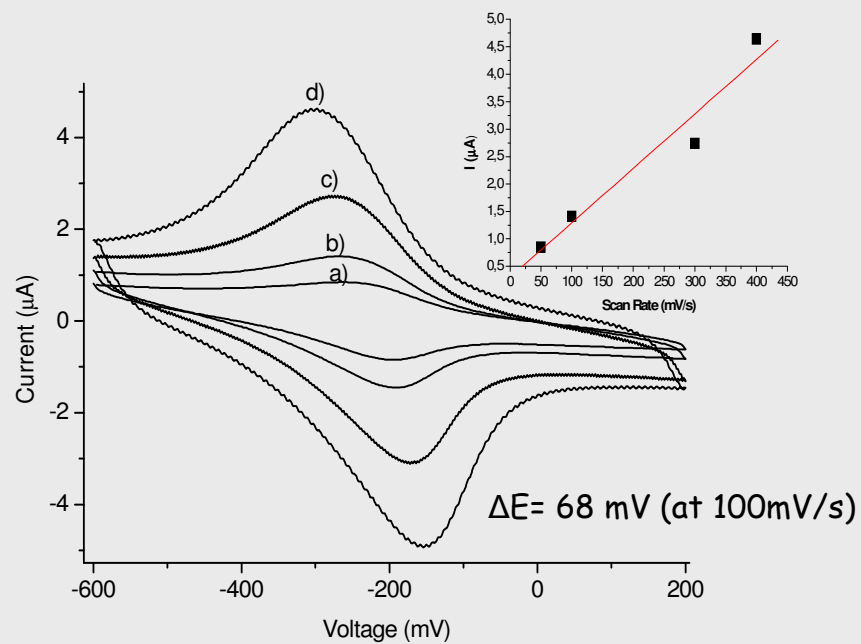


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PREPARATION OF PTM SAMs ON GOLD. Direct anchoring

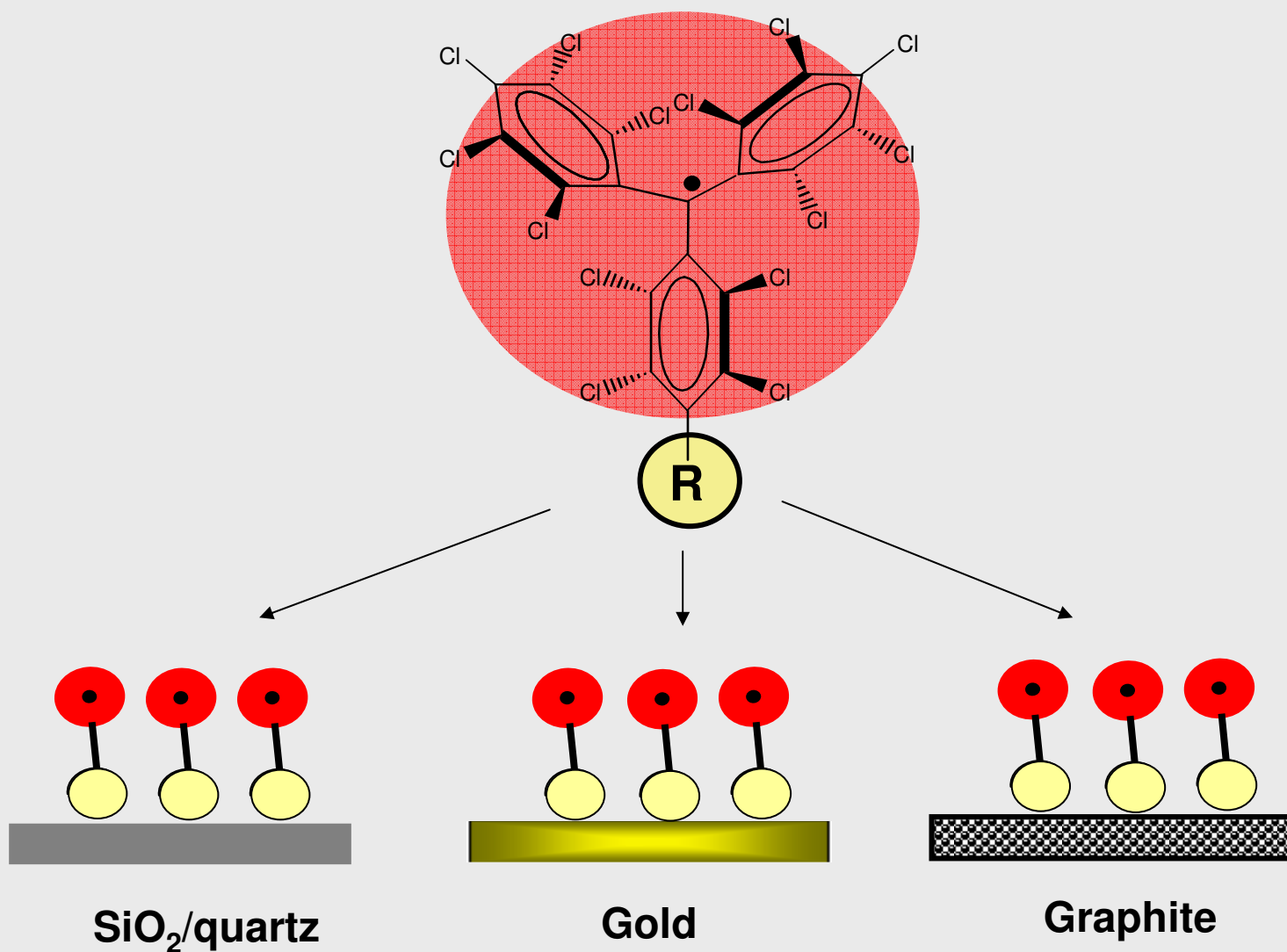


**ELECTROCHEMICAL
SWITCH ON SURFACE**

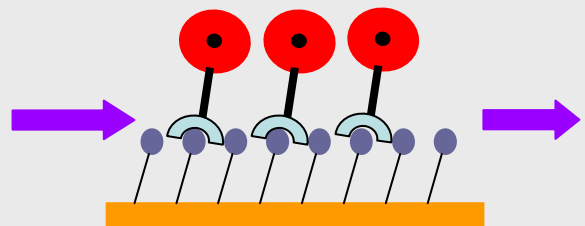
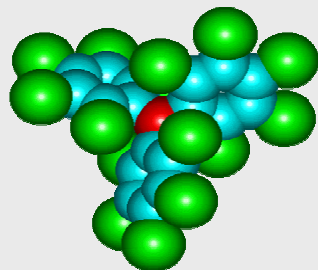


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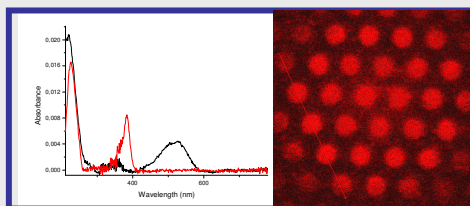
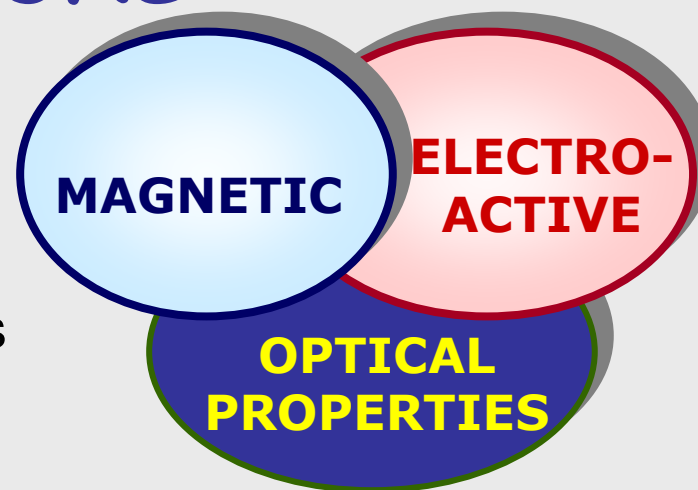
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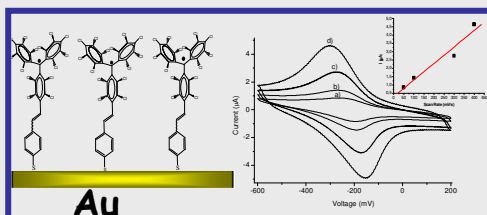
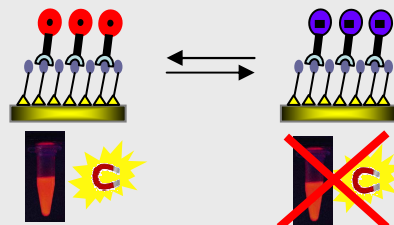
CONCLUSIONS



Multifunctional surfaces



Chemical switch



Electrochemical switch

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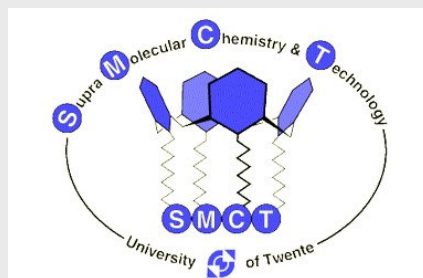
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