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Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> in the presence of light *via* excited-state hydride transfer reaction in a NADPH-inspired derivative

Our group is working on the structures and reactions of molecules of environmental interest. Here we present the results of the investigation of the photochemical reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> in one of the benzimidazoline derivatives by quantum-chemical methods. Our results reveal that carbon dioxide can be reduced to formate by a hydride transfer reaction in the excited state of the complex of this benzimidazoline derivative and CO<sub>2</sub>.

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