

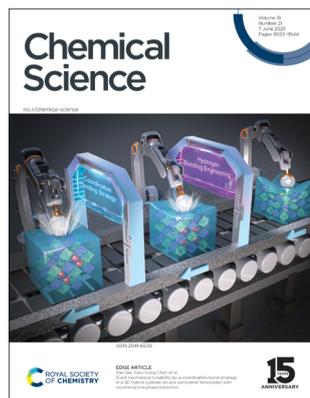
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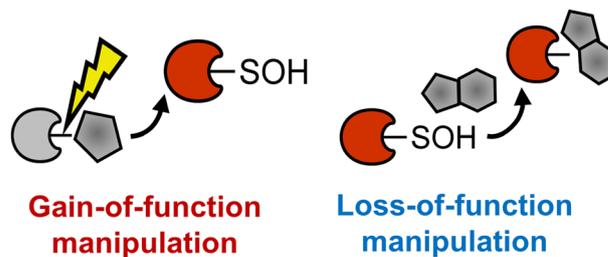
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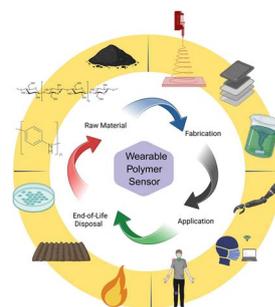
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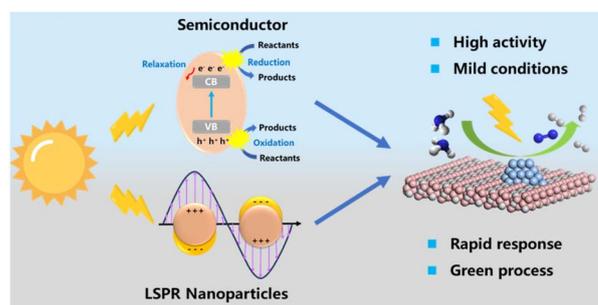


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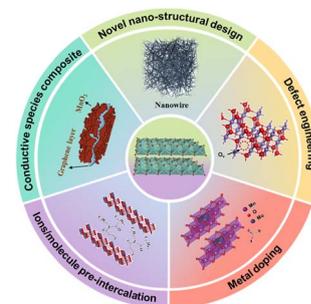
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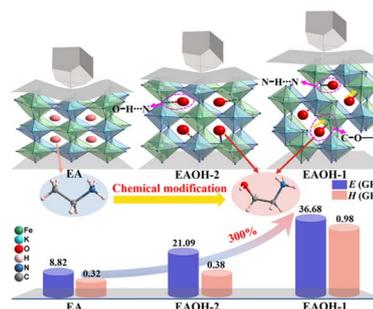


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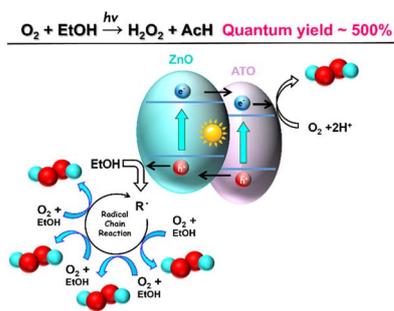
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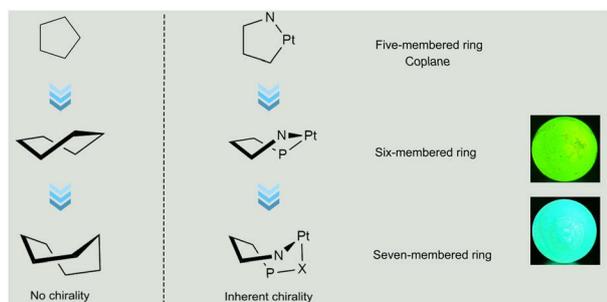
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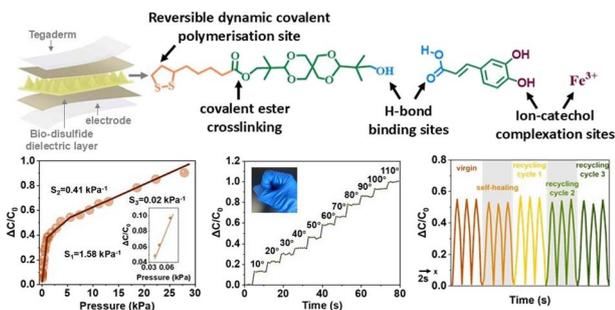
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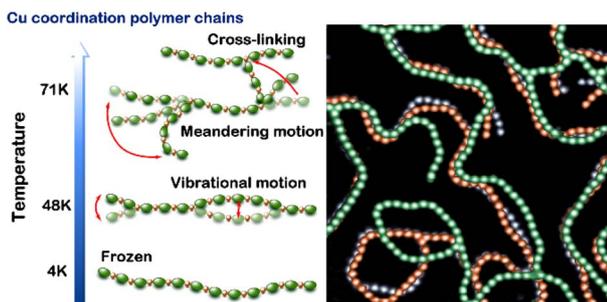
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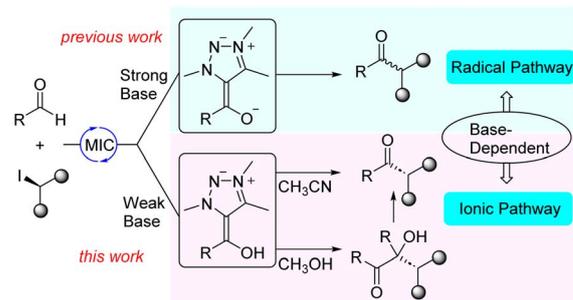
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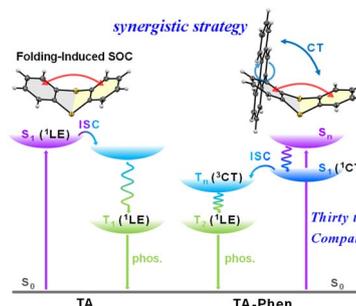
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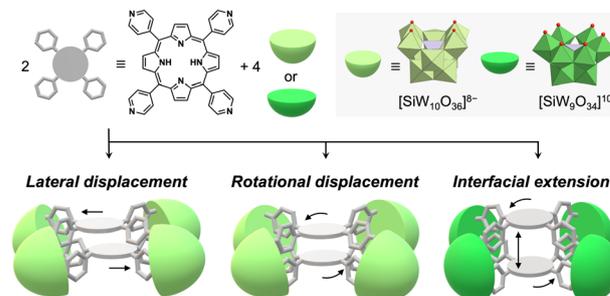
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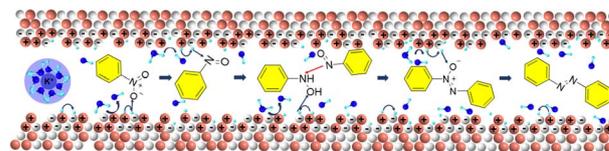
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Electrochemical hydrogenative coupling of nitrobenzene into azobenzene over a mesoporous palladium–sulfur cathode

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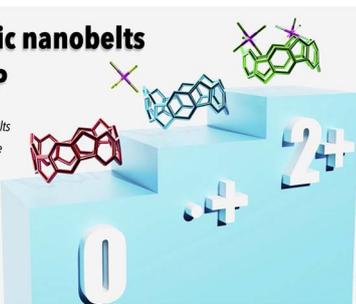
- ☆ Renewable electricity and H₂O as H* source
- ☆ Ambient synthetic conditions (room temperature)
- ☆ Up to 95 % of NB conversion and 93 % of AZO selectivity
- ☆ Electron-deficient sulfur stabilized active H*
- ☆ Mesoporous microenvironment facilitated hydrogenation coupling



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Stable cationic nanobelts from [6]MCP

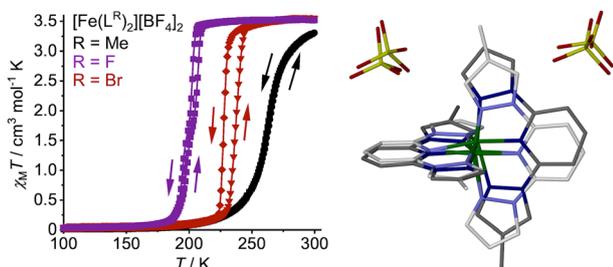
- Stable radical and cationic nanobelts
- Sharp absorption and fluorescence
- Diatropic belt current
- Long lifetime by delocalization



Stable cationic nanobelts synthesized by chemical oxidation of methylene-bridged [6] cycloparaphenylene

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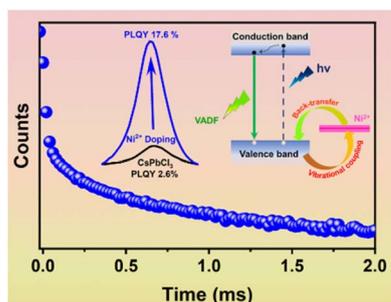
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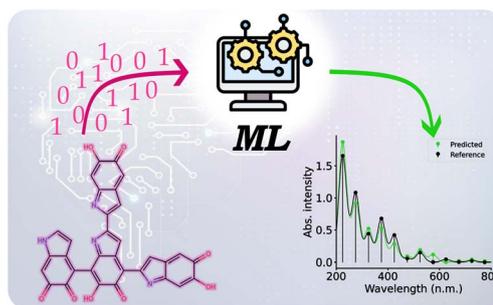
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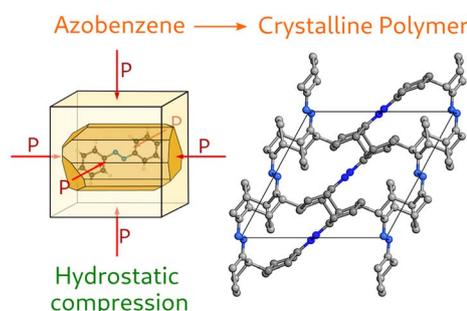
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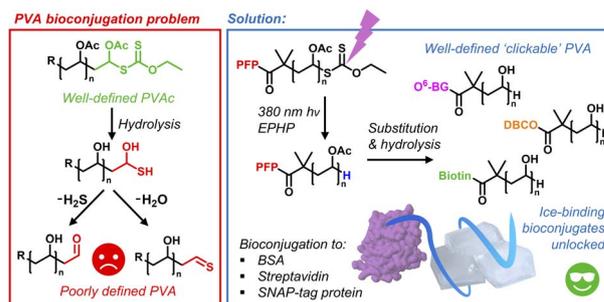
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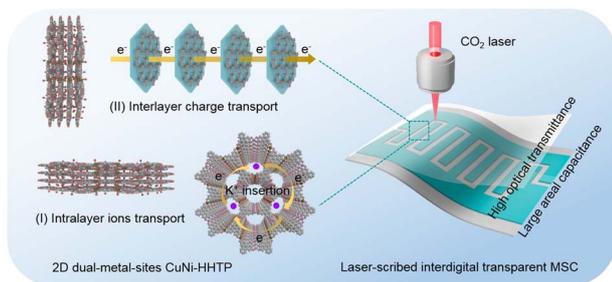
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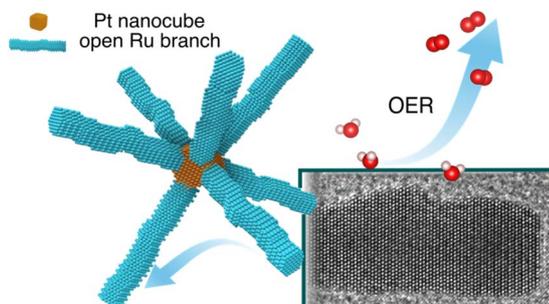
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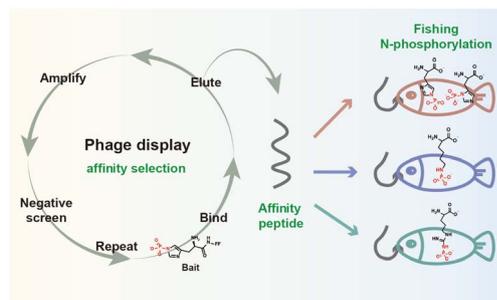
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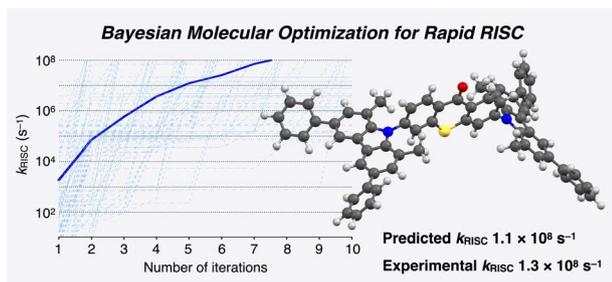
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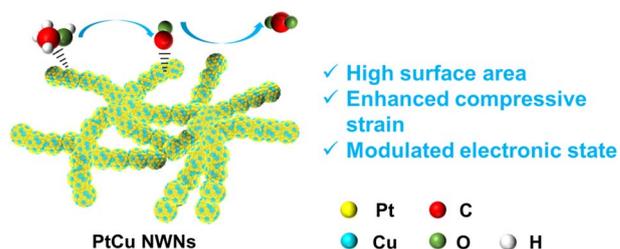
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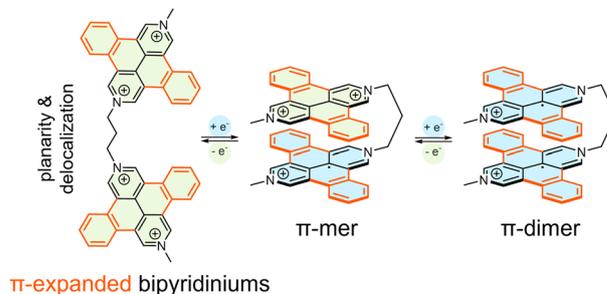
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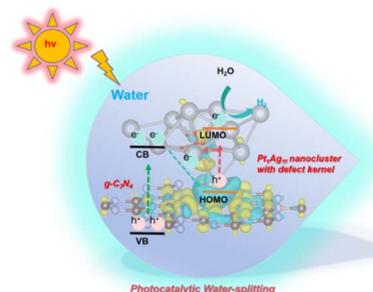
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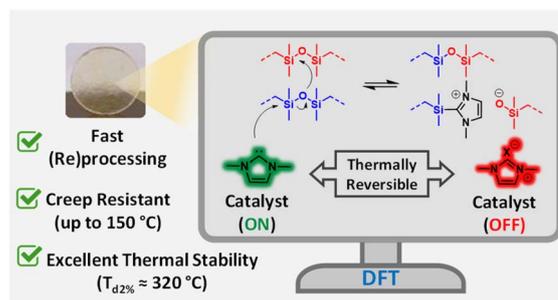
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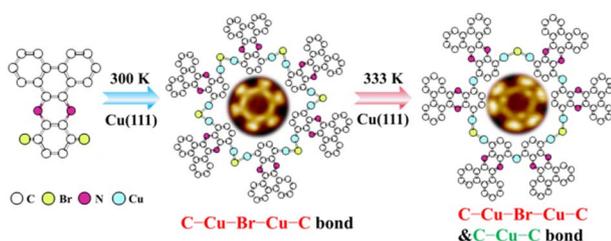
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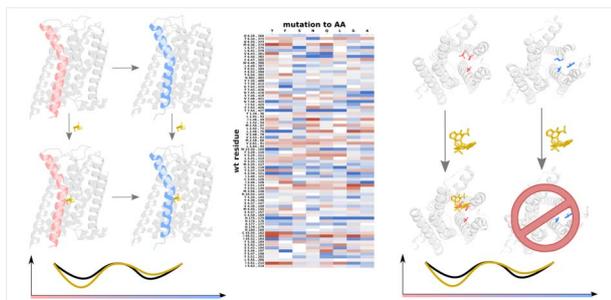
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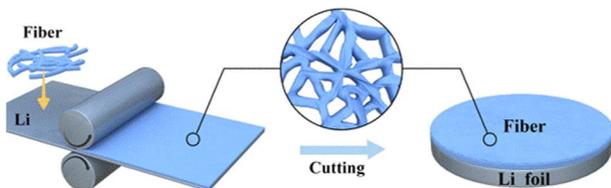
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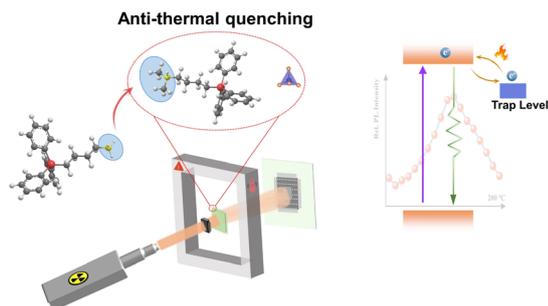
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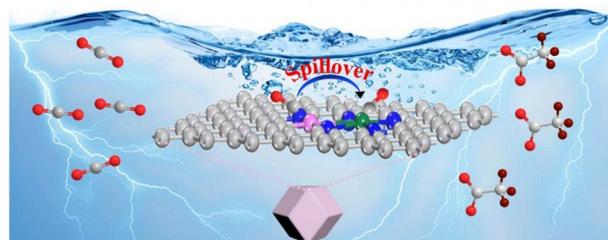
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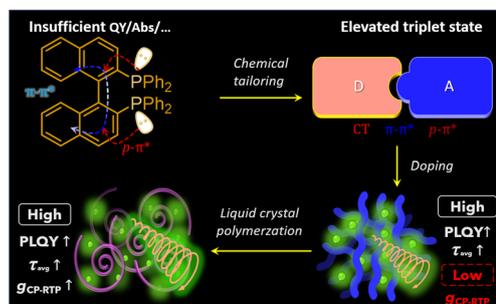
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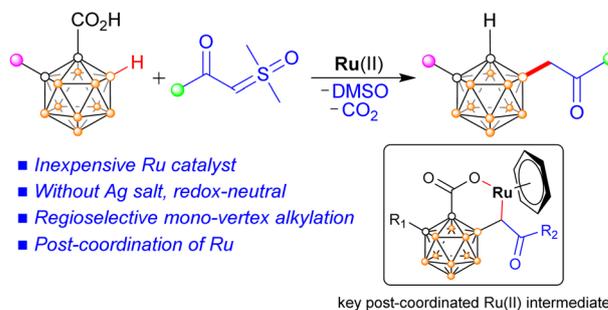
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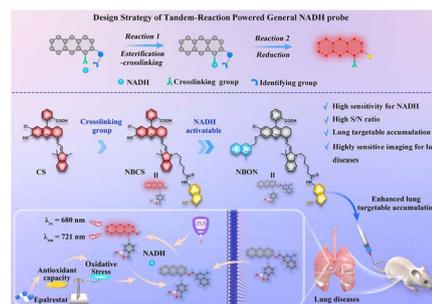
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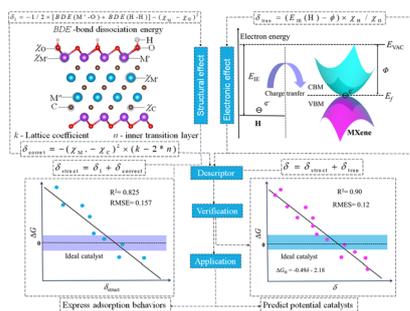
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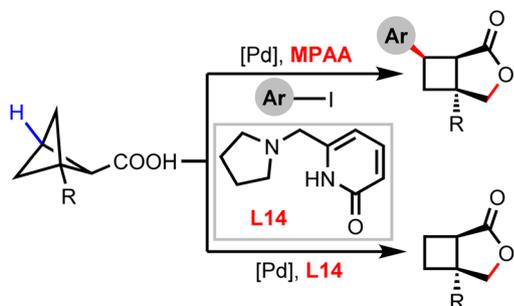
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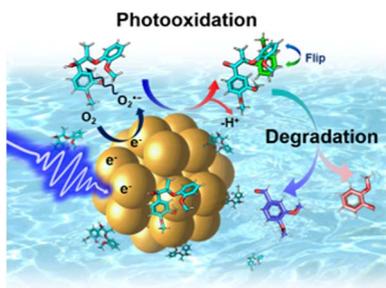
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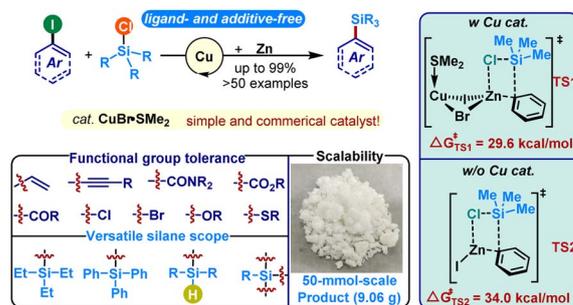
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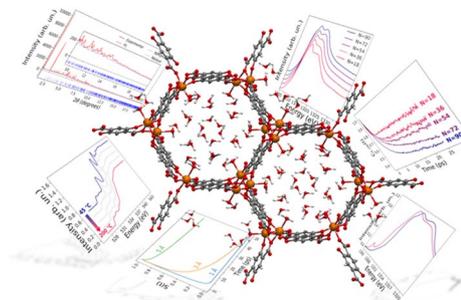
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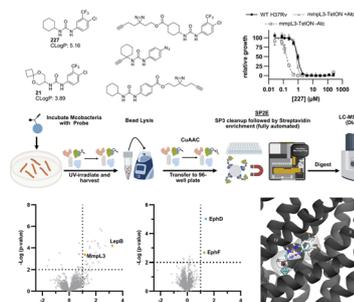
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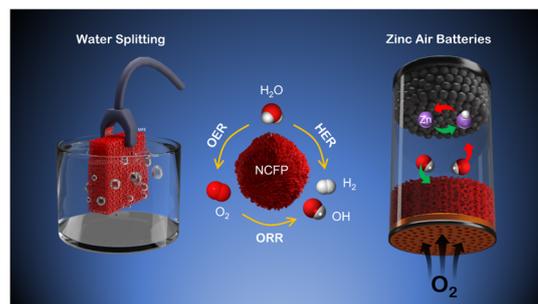
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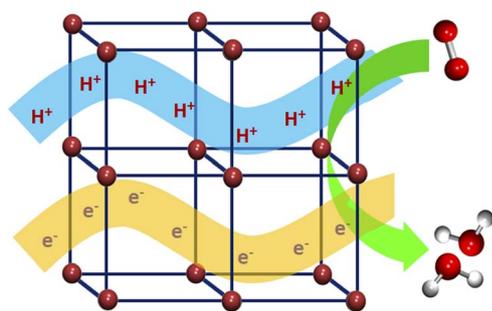
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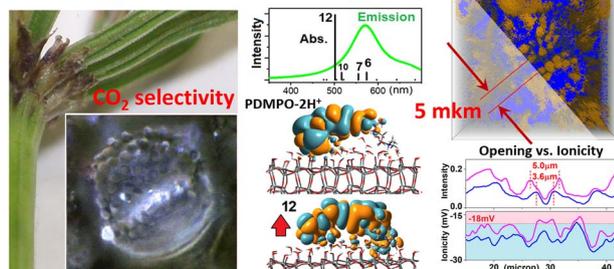


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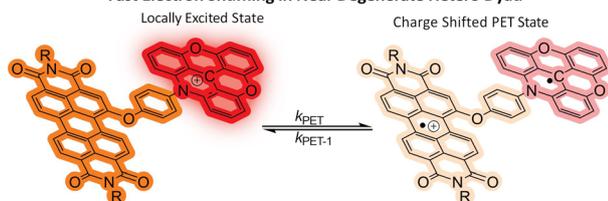


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