

Switchable Materials- The Route to Next Generation Multifunctional Analytical Platforms

Dermot Diamond
CLARITY Centre for Sensor Web Technologies
National Centre for Sensor Research
Dublin City University

presented at

21st International Ion Chromatography Symposium (IICS 2009)

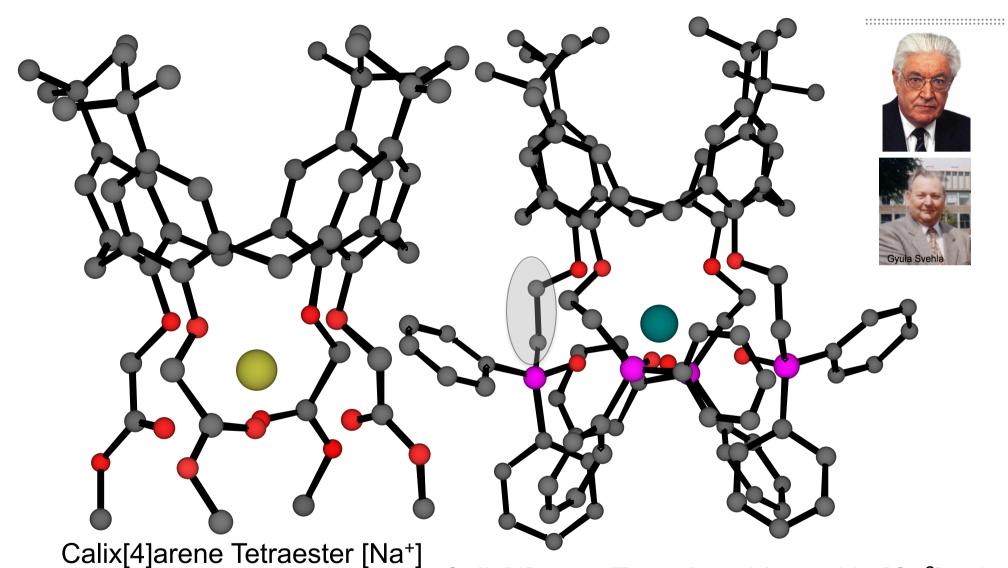
Malahide, Co. Dublin
September 10-11, 2009





Tetraester & Tetraphosphine Oxide CLARITY









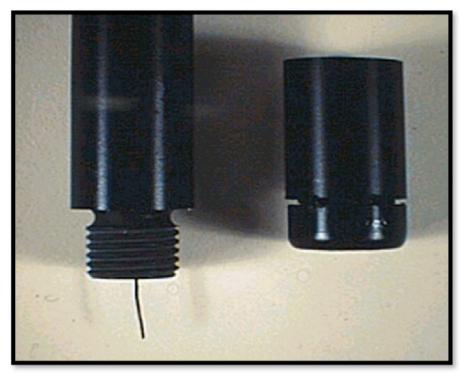
DCU Tyndall



DCU **Tyndall**

PVC - Membrane ISEs





Typical membrane cocktail (%w/w); PVC:33%, NPOE (plasticiser): 66%; ionophore/exchanger: 1% (ratio at least 2:1 by mole); dissolve in a volatile solvent e.g. THF and cast membrane from this solution

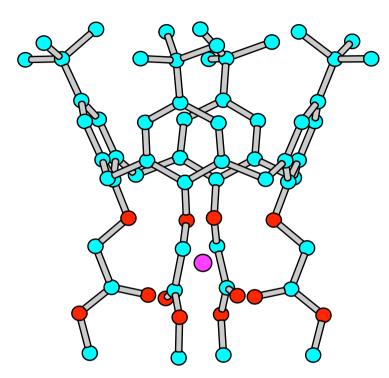




Molecular Functionality



CENTRE FOR SENSOR WEB TECHNOLOGIES



TME:Na+ Side-on View









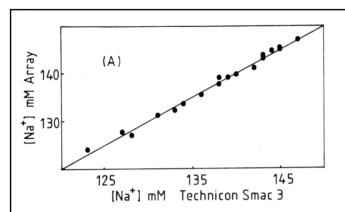
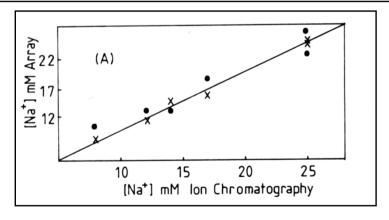


Fig. 3. Comparison of plasma sodium analysis using the array-FIA approach with a SMAC analyser. Good correlation without bias is obtained [5].



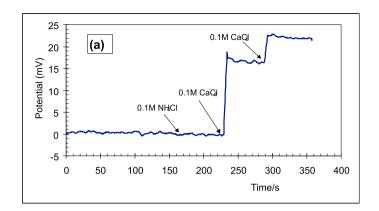
Anal. Chem., <u>64</u> (1992) 1721-1728.

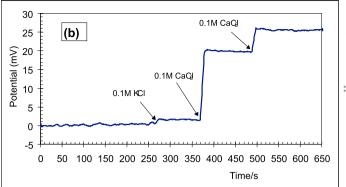
Ligand (and variations of) are used in many clinical analysers for blood sodium profiling



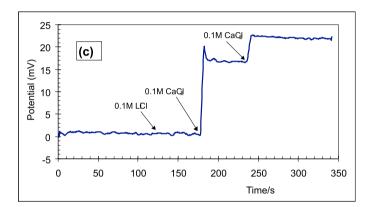


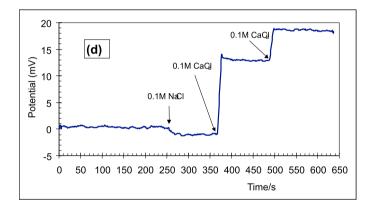




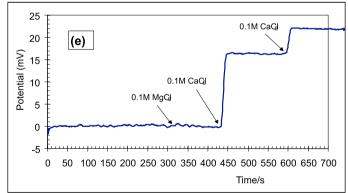








response of TPOL electrode



Calcium-selective Electrode based on a Calix[4]arene Tetraphosphine Oxide, Tom McKittrick, Dermot Diamond, Debbie J. Marrs, Paul O'Hagan and M.Anthony McKervey, Talanta 43 (1996) 1145-1148.

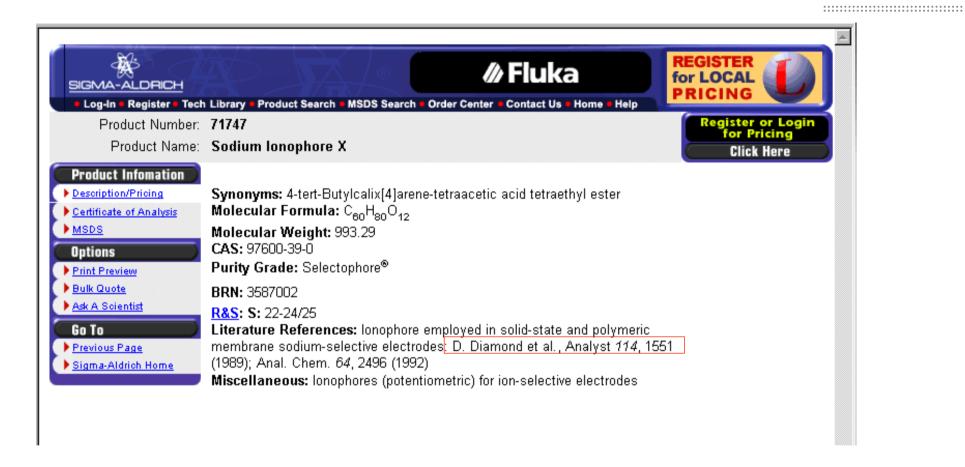




Fame at last!!



DCÚ € Tyndall



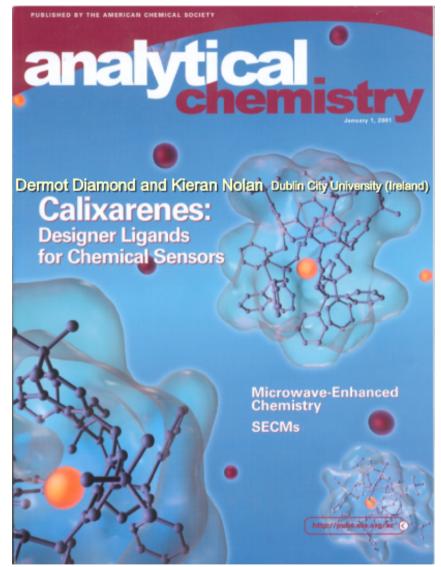
Best ionophore for sodium

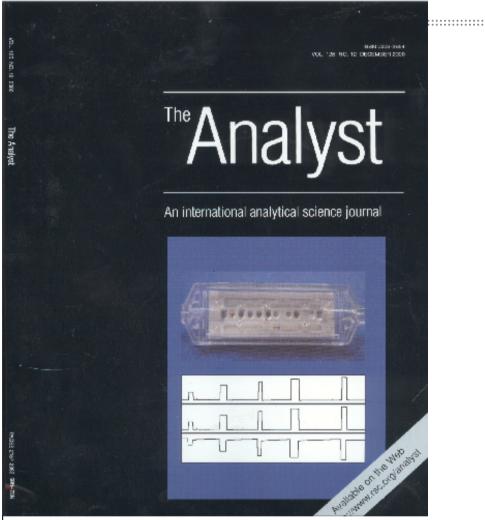




Fame at Last!







Cover Article: Point-of-Need- Diagnosis of Cystic Fibrosis using a Potentiometric Ion-Selective Electrode Array Aogan Lynch and Dermot Diamond, NCSR, Dublin City University, Ireland







Keynote Article: August 2004, Analytical Chemistry (ACS)



Dermot Diamond **Dublin City University**

Incredible advances in digital communications and computer power have profoundly changed our lives. One chemist shares his vision of the role of analytical science in the next communications revolution.

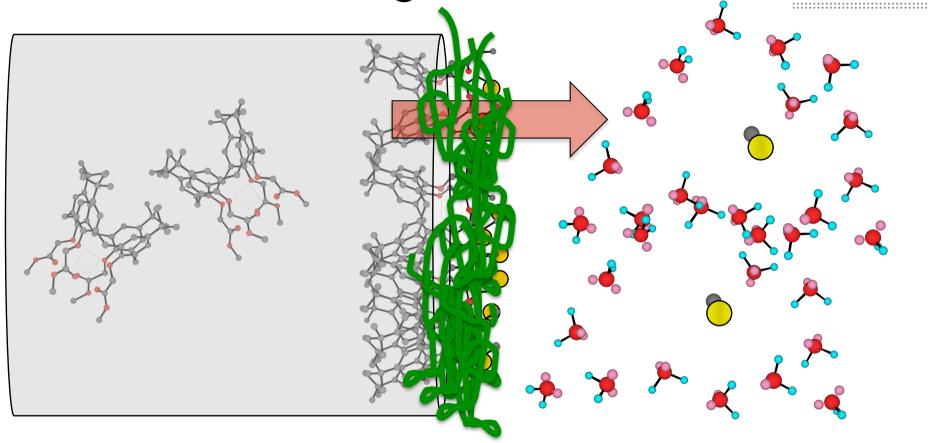
gital communications networks are at the heart of modern society. The digitization of communications, the development of the Internet, and the availability of relatively inexpensive but powerful mobile computing technologies have established a global communications network capable of linking billions of people, places, and objects. Email can instantly transmit complex documents to multiple remote locations, and websites provide a planform for instantaneous notification, dissemination, and exchange of information globally. This technology is now pervasive, and those in research and business have multiple interactions with this digital world every day. However, this technology might simply be the foundation for the next wave of development that will provide a seamless interface between the real and digital worlds.

The crucial missing part in this scenario is the gateway through which these worlds will communicate: How can the digital world sense and respond to changes in the real world? Analytical scientists-particularly those working on chemical sensors, biosensors, and compact, autonomous instruments-are

Dermot Diamond, Anal. Chem., 76 (2004) 278A-286A.

Fundamental Problem: Sensor surface will change with time!





- Surface interactions are critical to signal generation very susceptible to any process that modifies the surface condition => drift, loss of sensitivity => regular calibration => high cost of ownership
- Leaching, biofouling, physical damage, sample interferents,
- Engineers expect a thermistor, we have platforms closer to a washing machine!





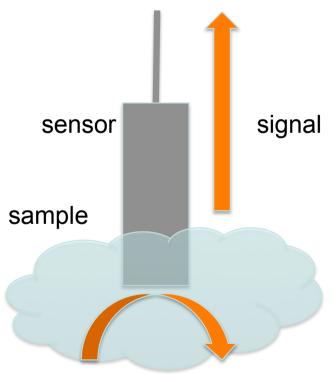
Direct Sensing vs. Reagent Based LOAC



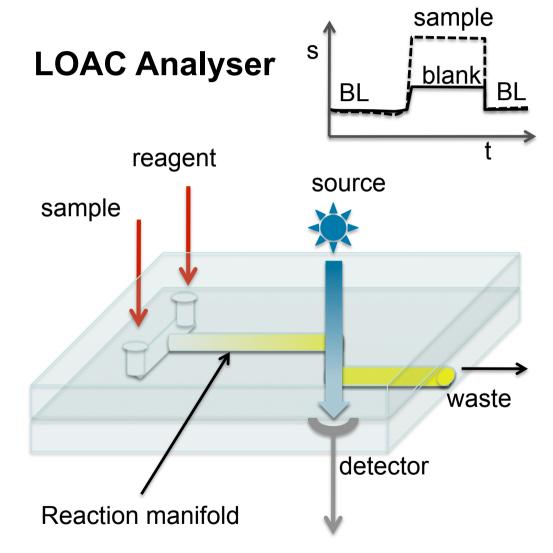
DCÚ € Tyndall

Direct Sensing

outside world



molecular interactions







Adaptive (Stimulus-Responsive) Materials



- Materials that possess 'multiple personalities' or characteristics
- Can switch reversibly between these via a stimulus (chemical, electrochemical, photochemical.....)
- Properties change dramatically e.g. chemical binding behaviour, surface charge/polarity, porosity, permeability, dimensions, colour.....

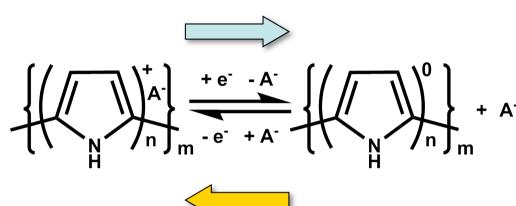




Switchable Materials: Soft Polymer Actuators

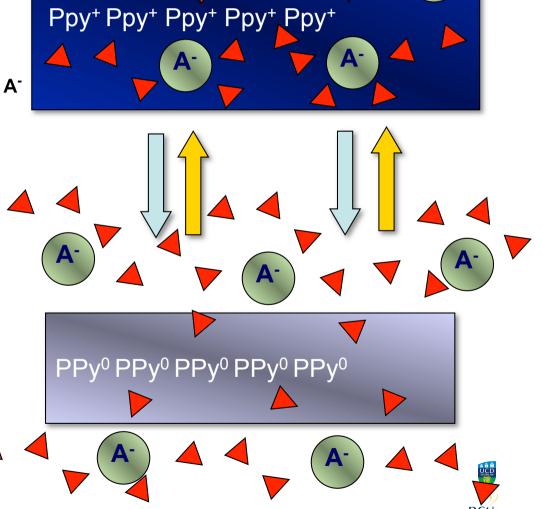


Tyndall



Principle can be used to make soft polymer (biomimetic, artificial muscle) actuators such as 'benders'

(multi-laminated structures designed so that an outer PPY layer expands as the inner contracts to produce a bending movement)







'Artificial Muscle' - Mobile CLARIT

SENSOR WEB TECHNOLOGIES

Platforms

- Conducting polymer fibre bundles contained within polymer 'skin'
- Mobile electrolyte solution
- Polarisation of the bundles causes movement of ions and associated water molecules due to charge compensation
- Causes swelling or contraction
- Effect can be translated into bending by laminating two oppositely polarised layers with a flexible porous inactive intermediate layer - soft pumps and valves!



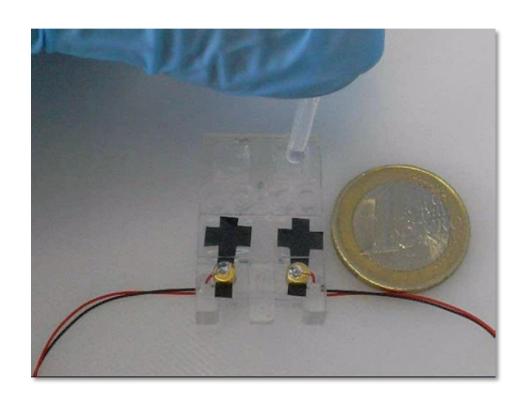






Polymer Micropumps and Valves





Daniel Kim and Kim Lau

- Low power, low cost components are vital for realisation of next generation microdimensioned analytical platforms
- Based on polypyrrole CP 'benders'
- Soft polymer actuators more attractive for integrated ufluidics manifolds
- 'lego' approach detector block will slot in







Soft Polymer Actuators

- Can be used to provide pumping and valving functions
- Can be fully integrated into microfluidic manifolds
- In principle are more reliable in microscale than conventional 'hard' materials
- Could drive down the cost and complexity of 'analyser' platforms

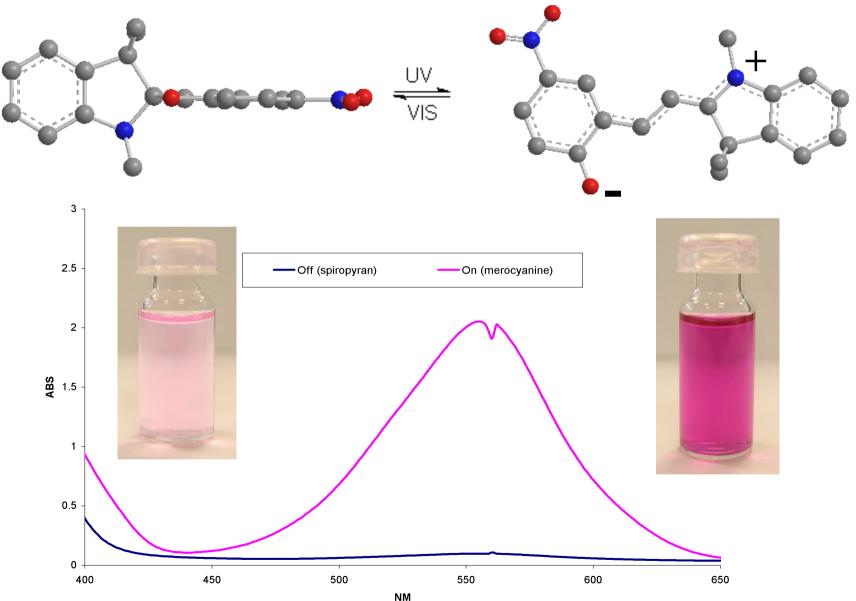




Photoswitchable Materials



.....









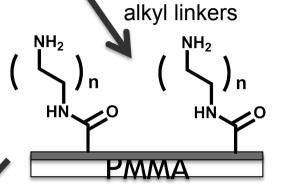


EDC

 NO_2

Intermediates (carboimide, carboxylate)

NO₂



Can be immobilised on polymer or silica surfaces, or within bulk materials, e.g. using SP-modified monomers

ΗŅŤ

HN O HN O PMMA

NO₂

Each $-CH_2$ - link is ca. 1.5 Å

Various diamino

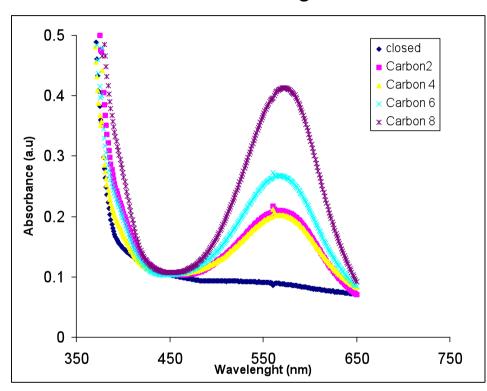
Tether	ID
Length (n=)	
2	SP-2
4	SP-4
6	SP-6
8	SP-8

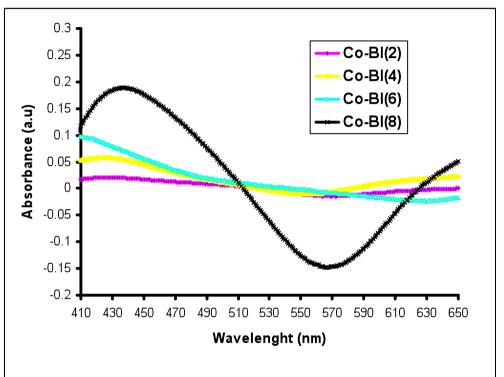
Importance of Linker Length

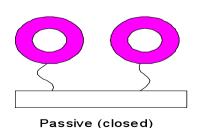


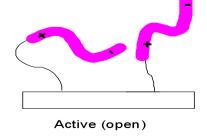
SP-MC Switching

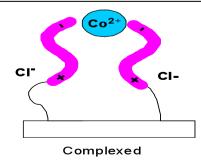
Co²⁺-Complexation









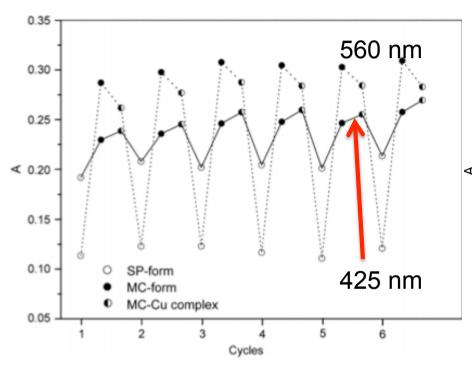




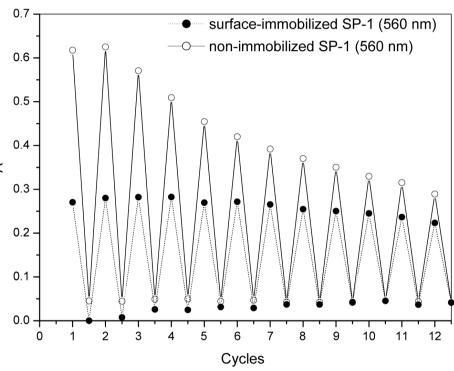




Detection of switching between SP/MC/MC-Currerous states using the 'Discophotometer



Photonic Modulation of Surface Properties: A Novel Concept in Chemical Sensing, Aleksandar Radu, Silvia Scarmagnani, Robert Byrne, Conor Slater, King Tong Lau and Dermot Diamond, J. Phys.D; Appl. Phys., 40 (2007) 7238-7244.



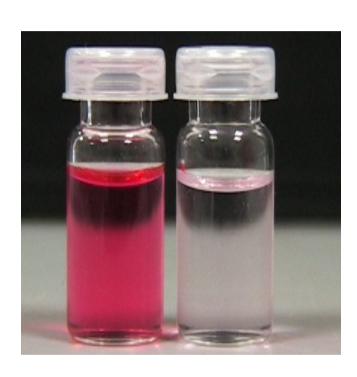
Absorbance measured at 560 nm for cyclical switching between SP and MC when for surface immobilized (full circles) and non-immobilized (open circles) SP-1.

A. Radu et al. Journal of Photochemistry and Photobiology A:Chemistry 206 (2009) 109–115.

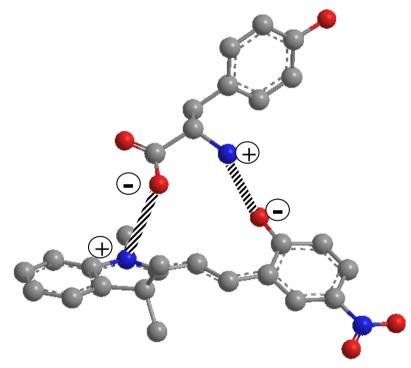




Merocyanine Interaction with Amin Sorwell Technologies Acids



A strongly coloured solution of merocyanine and tyrosine in a 4:1 acetonitrile:water mixture. The merocyanine was formed by illuminating spiropyran (1:1 mole ratio to tyrosine) for 1 minute with a UV-LED. The picture was taken after 100 hours storage in the absence of light. (top, right): The control experiment without tyrosine shows almost complete decoloration, i.e. return to spiropyran form.



Energy minimised structures (Chem 3-D Ultra, V. 9.0, Cambridgesoft) suggests complementary binding of tyrosine to the merocyanine zwitterion which stabilises the coloured merocyanine form.

Key: carbon atoms – grey, oxygen atoms – red, nitrogen atoms – blue (hydrogen atoms not shown for clarity)

Chemo/Bio-Sensor Networks, Robert J Byrne and Dermot Diamond, Nature Mater., 5 (2006) 422-424.







Photocontrolled DNA Binding



Published on Web 08/13/2008

Photoswitched DNA-Binding of a Photochromic Spiropyran

Johanna Andersson, Shiming Li, Per Lincoln, and Joakim Andréasson*

Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering, Physical Chemistry, Chalmers University of Technology, SE-412 96 Göteborg, Sweden

Received March 17, 2008; E-mail: a-son@chalmers.se

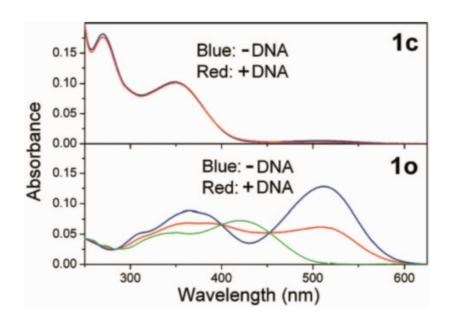


Figure 1. Absorption spectra of **1c** (top panel) and **1o** (lower panel) in the absence (blue lines) and presence (red lines) of calf-thymus DNA. The contribution from DNA to the overall absorption has been subtracted for ease of comparison. Likewise, the contribution from **1c** has been subtracted from the spectra of **1o** shown in the lower panel. The green line corresponds to a sample of 100% **1o** bound to DNA as the contribution from unbound **1o** has been corrected for (see Supporting Information for details). The total concentration of **1** was $\sim 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$ M. The concentration of DNA was 11.6×10^{-5} M, and the NaCl concentration of the solution was 8.6×10^{-3} M.

Chart 1. Structures of Photochromic Spiropyran 1

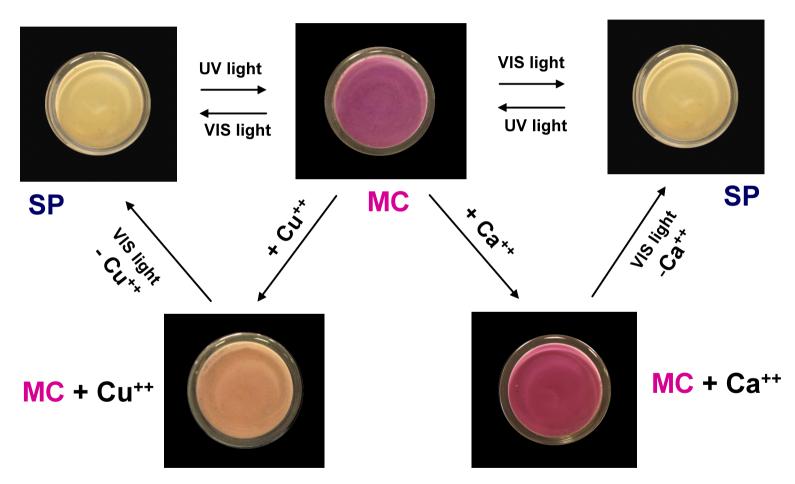






Functionalised Microbeads: optically controlled selective binding of metal ions





Polystyrene Beads-Based System for Optical Sensing using Spiropyran Photoswitches, Silvia Scarmagnani, Zarah Walsh, Conor Slater, Nameer Alhashimy, Brett Paull, Mirek Macka and Dermot Diamond, J. Mater. Chem., 2008, 18, 5063 – 5071

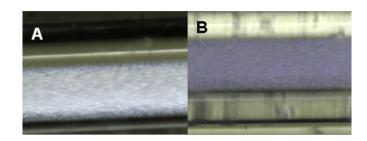




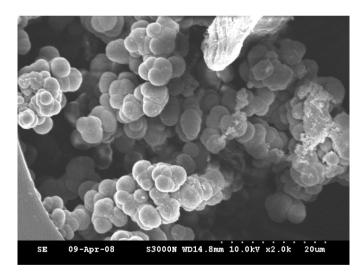
Changing EOF in CE using Light!



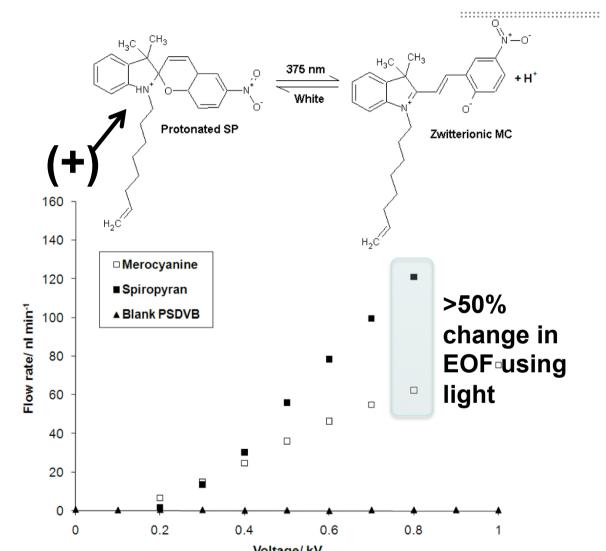
Tyndall



Optical microscope images of poly (spiropyranco-divinylbenzene) monoliths in both the spiropyran (A) and merocyanine (B) forms.



Scanning electron micrograph of the monolithic poly (spiropyran-co-divinylbenzene) within the PTFE coated fused silica capillary; channel dimensions 8mm x 0.4mm x 0.4mm



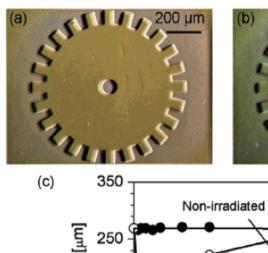
Photochromic spiropyran monolithic polymers: molecular photo-controllable electroosmotic pumps for micro-fluidic devices, Zarah Walsh, Silvia Scarmagnani, Fernando Benito-Lopez, Silvija Abele, Fu-Qiang Nie, Conor Slater, Robert Byrne, Dermot Diamond, Brett Paull and Mirek Macka, J. Mater. Chem., 2009, submitted for publication

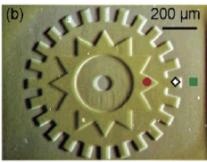




Polymer based photoactuators







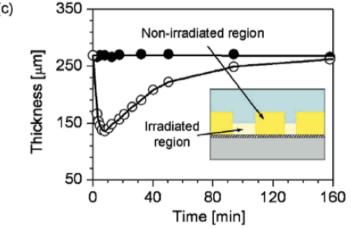
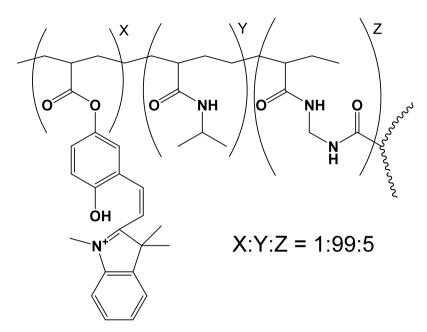


Figure 3. (a, b) Images of the pSPNIPAAm hydrogel layer just after the micropatterned light irradiation. Duration of irradiation was (\bullet , red) 0, (\diamond) 1, and (\blacksquare , green) 3 s. (c) Height change of the hydrogel layer in (\bullet) non-irradiated and (\bigcirc) irradiated region as a function of time after 3 s blue light irradiation.



Polymer developed by by Kimio Sumaru et al¹

1) Chem. Mater., 19 (11), 2730 -2732, 2007.



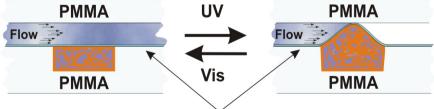




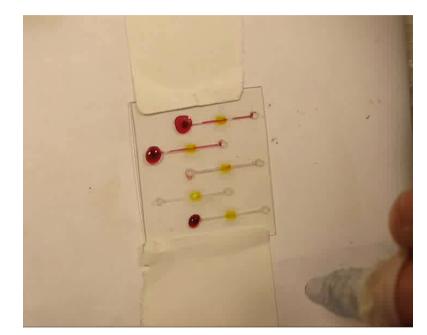
Photo-actuator polymers as microvalves in microfluidic systems

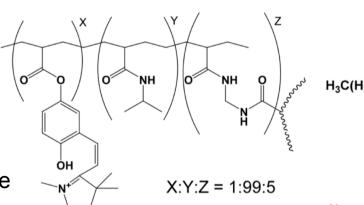




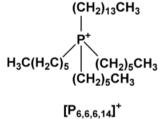


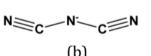
trihexyltetradecylphosphonium dicyanoamide [P6,6,6,14][dca]





(a)

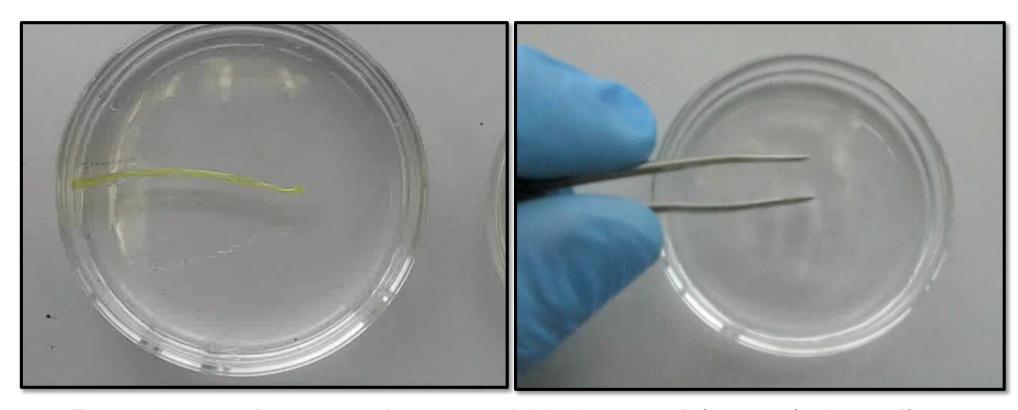






Mobile platforms with chemical actuation: No external power required





Based on solvent exchange within ionogel (water/ethanol)

Robert Byrne and Fernando Lopez







Conclusions

- Switchable materials open the way to devices with radically different behaviour - much of which can be applied to analytical flow systems
 - Biomimetic polymer pumps and valves
 - Photocontrolled actuation
 - Photocontrolled uptake and release
 - Movement of loaded particles and structures
 - Very low power flow systems

-

Very exciting possibilities for developing next generation analytical devices including separations targeting many environmental and pHealth applications





