

# Odpoledne s chemií

## Úžasná chemie boranů

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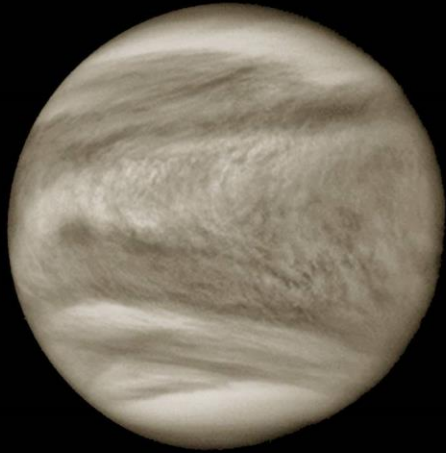






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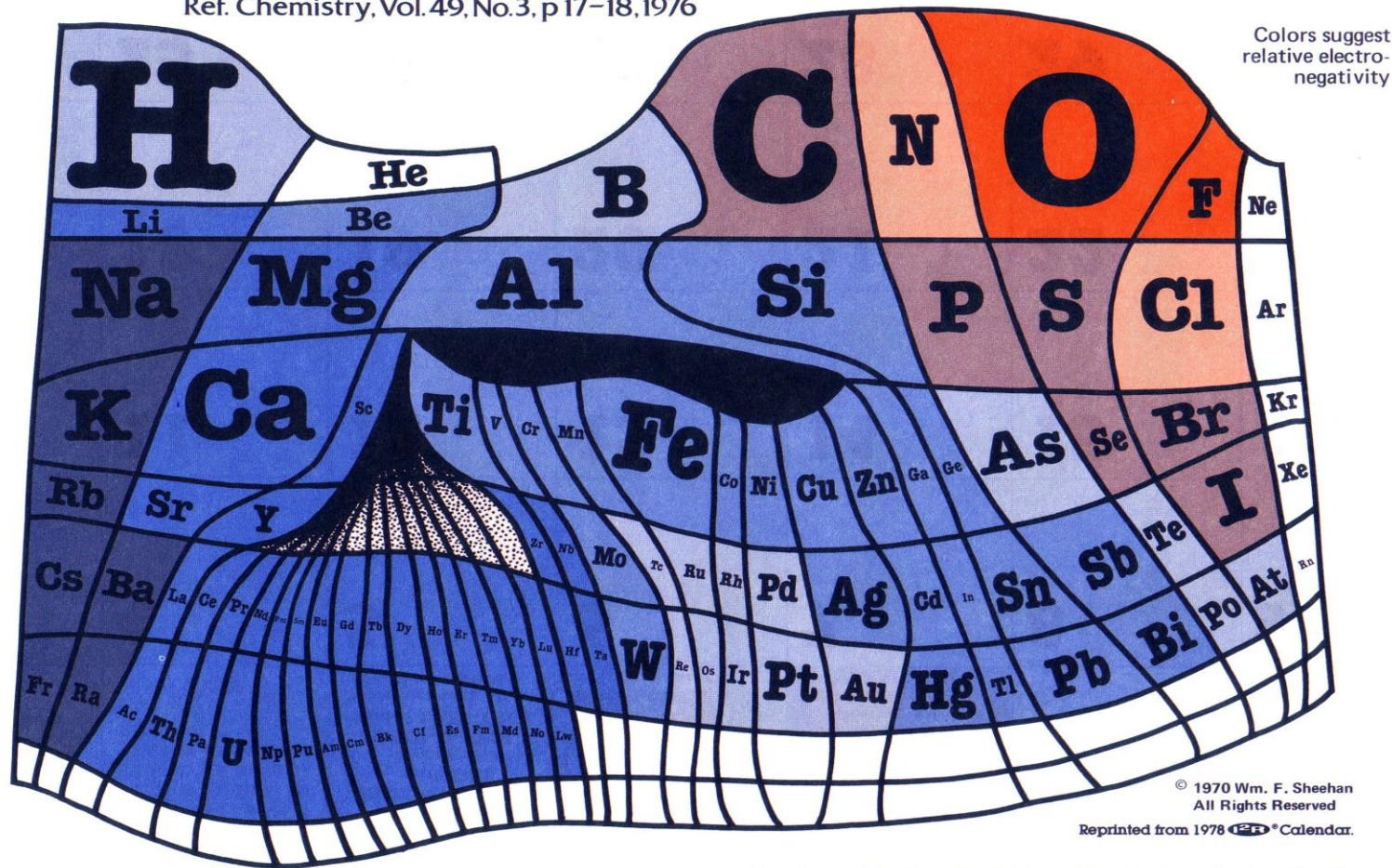


**MARS**



# The Elements According to Relative Abundance

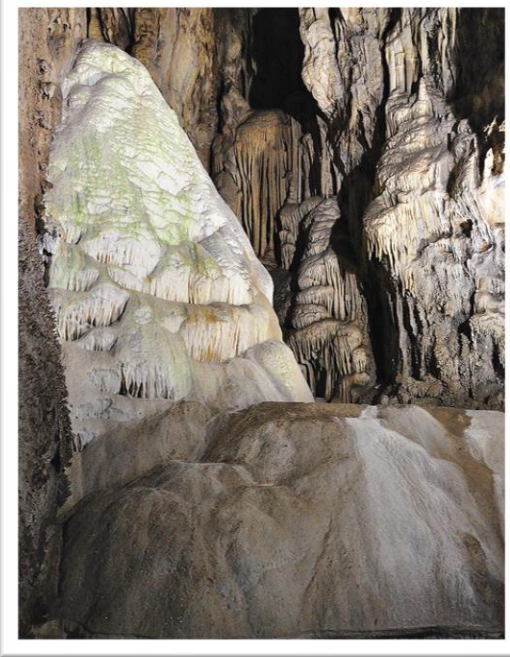
A Periodic Chart by Prof. Wm. F. Sheehan, University of Santa Clara, CA 95053  
Ref. Chemistry, Vol. 49, No. 3, p 17-18, 1976



Roughly, the size of an element's own niche ("I almost wrote square") is proportioned to its abundance on Earth's surface, and in addition, certain chemical similarities (e.g., Be and Al, or B and Si) are sug-

gested by the positioning of neighbors. The chart emphasizes that in real life a chemist will probably meet O, Si, Al, . . . and that he better do something about it. Periodic tables based upon elemental abundance would, of course, vary from planet to planet. . . W.F.S.

NOTE: TO ACCOMMODATE ALL ELEMENTS SOME DISTORTIONS WERE NECESSARY, FOR EXAMPLE SOME ELEMENTS DO NOT OCCUR NATURALLY.

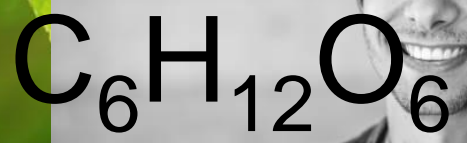








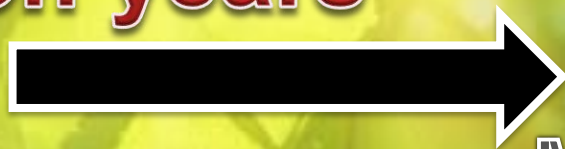




**Hydrocarbon chemistry**

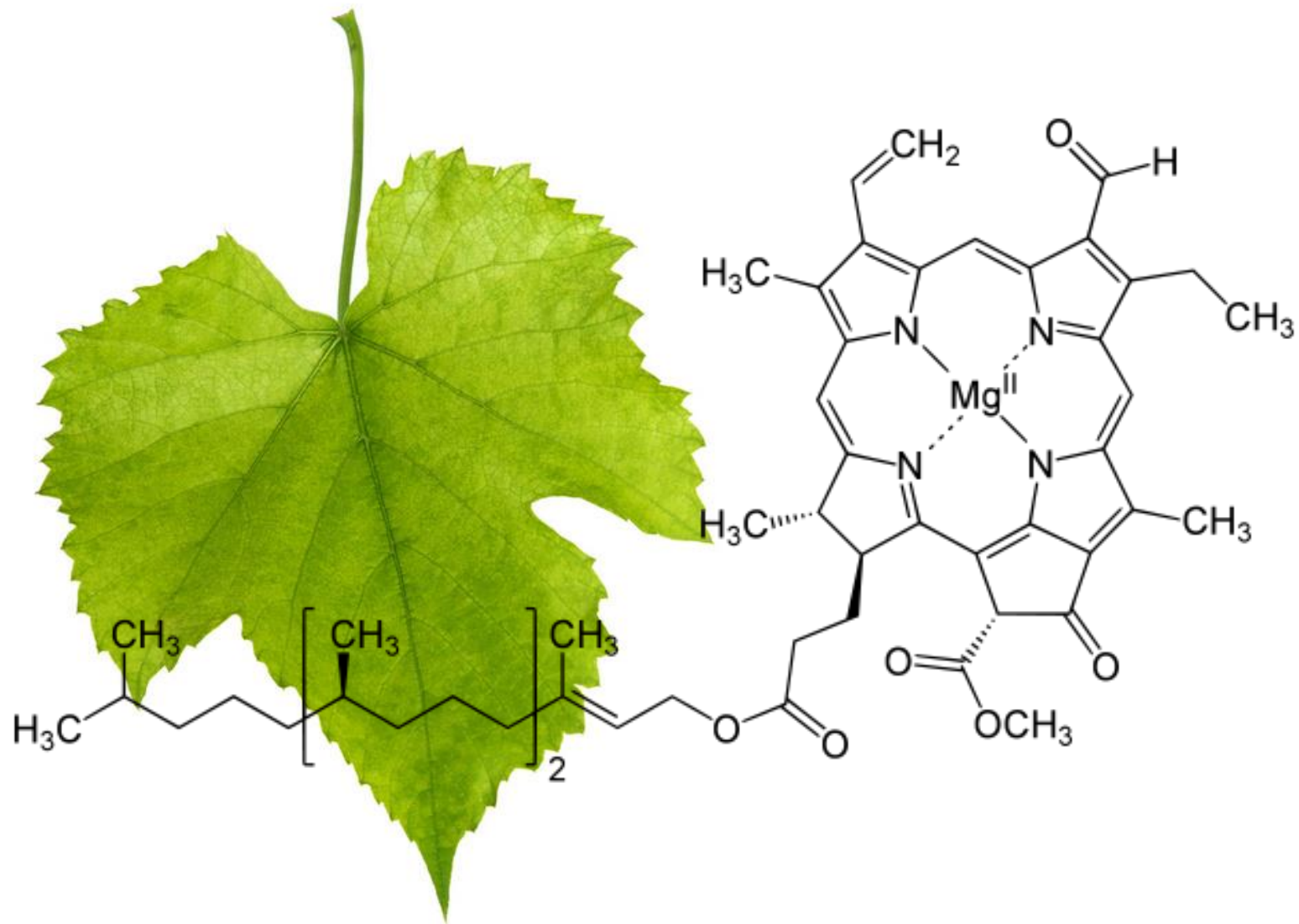
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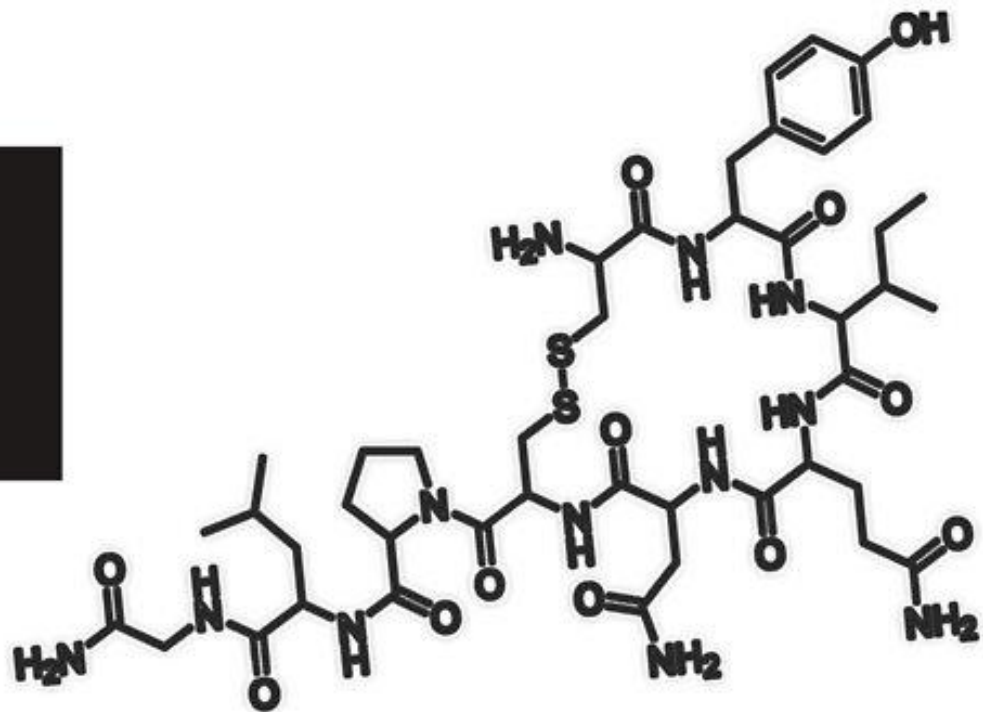


**Cool  
Molecular  
Machines**





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"...the superb natural process without which the living world could not exist, i.e. the assimilation of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere by plants, seems even more interesting. This leads as we know to the formation of sugar, Nature's first organochemical product, from which all other constituents of the plant and animal body are formed."

*Nobel Lecture, December 12, 1902* E.FISCHER

"And so, progressively, the veil behind which Nature has so carefully concealed her secrets is being lifted where the carbohydrates are concerned...However, it is increasingly obvious that the one-sided study of carbon compounds cannot suffice to elucidate the nature of chemical processes in all its aspects."

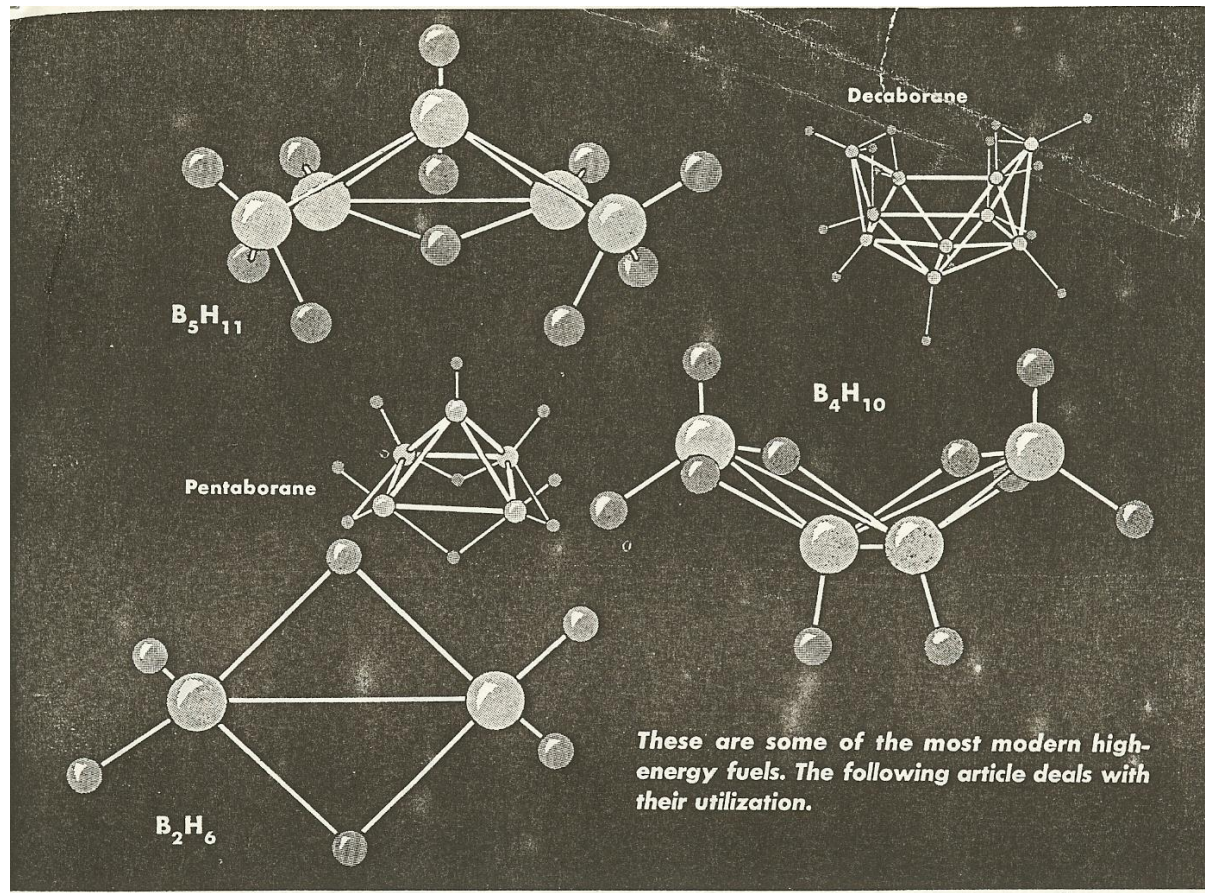
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Emil Fischer



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Boron





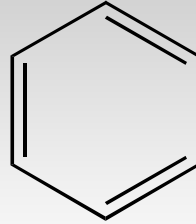
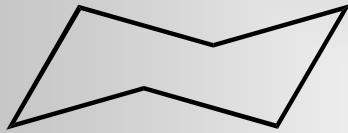
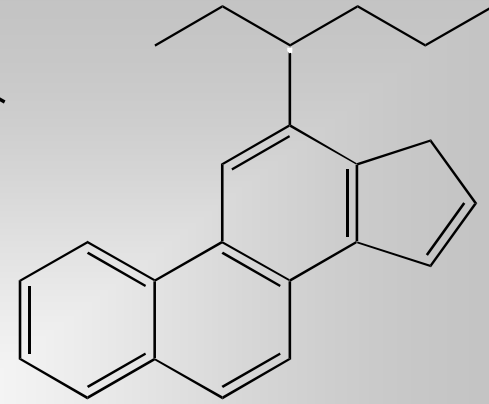
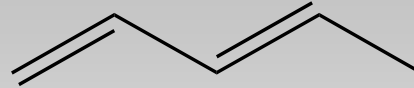
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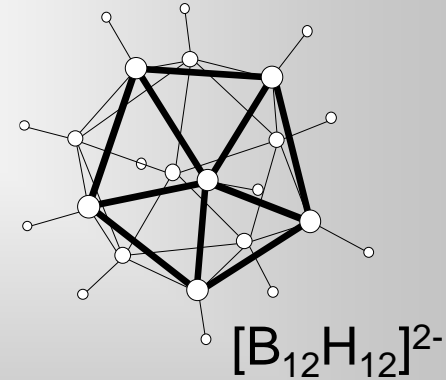
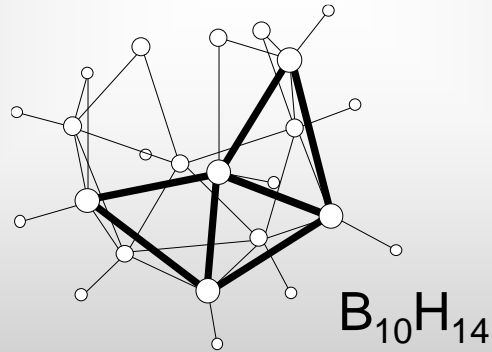
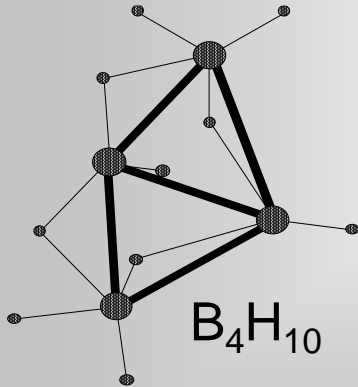


# CARBON



2-Dimensional Chains and Sheets...

# BORON



3-Dimensional POLYHEDRAL CLUSTERS...





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IN RECOGNITION OF THE CONCEPTION AND ORGANIZATION OF THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL MEETING ON BORON COMPOUNDS, WE EXPRESS THE DEEPEST APPRECIATION TO OUR CZECHOSLOVAKIAN COLLEAGUES. THIS SIGNAL EVENT IS NOW AN IMPORTANT PART OF RECENT CHEMICAL HISTORY AND WE HOPE THAT A TRADITION HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED.

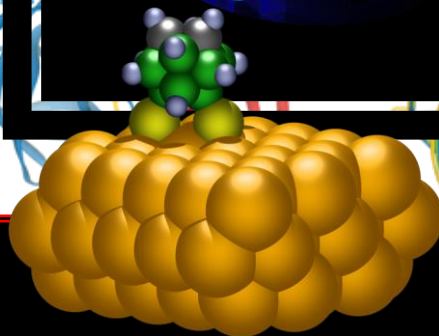
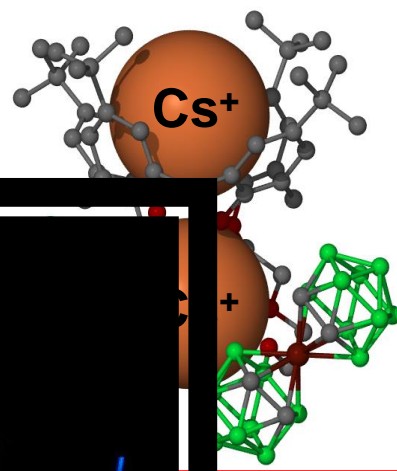
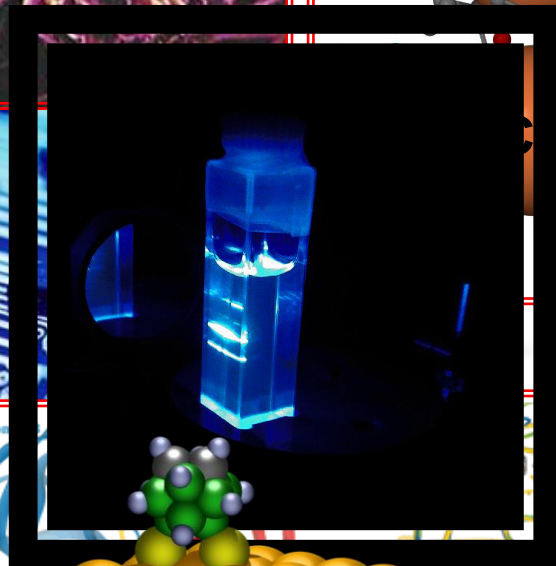
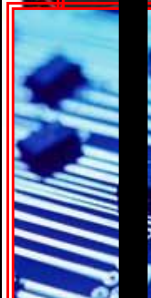
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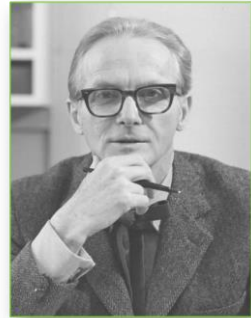
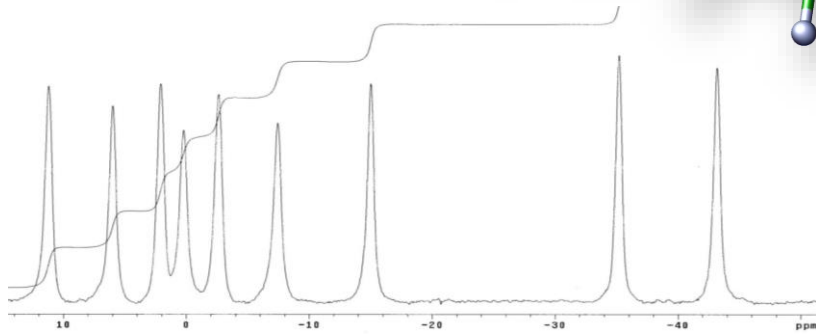
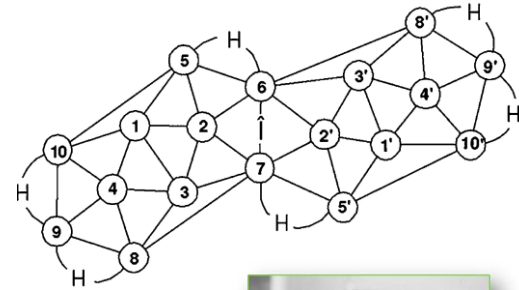
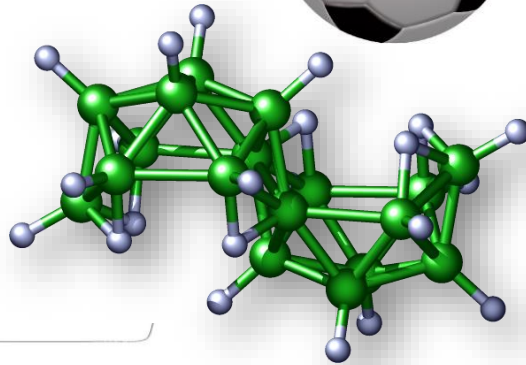
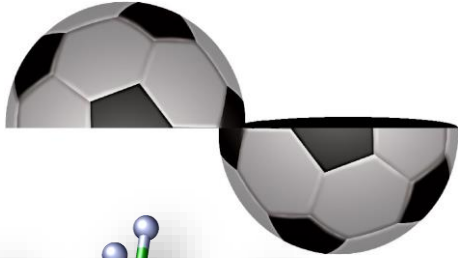
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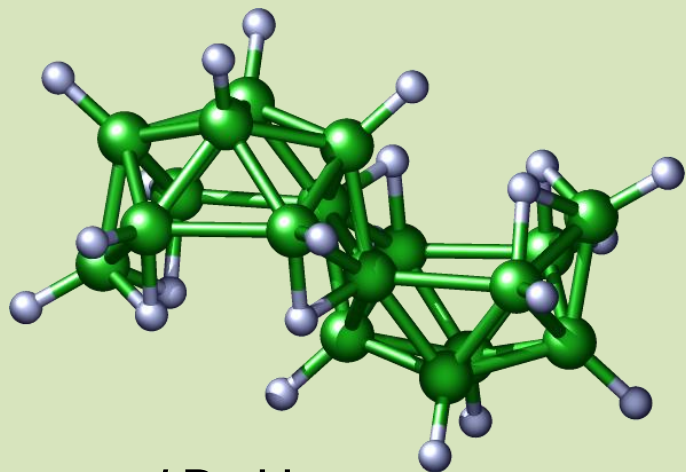




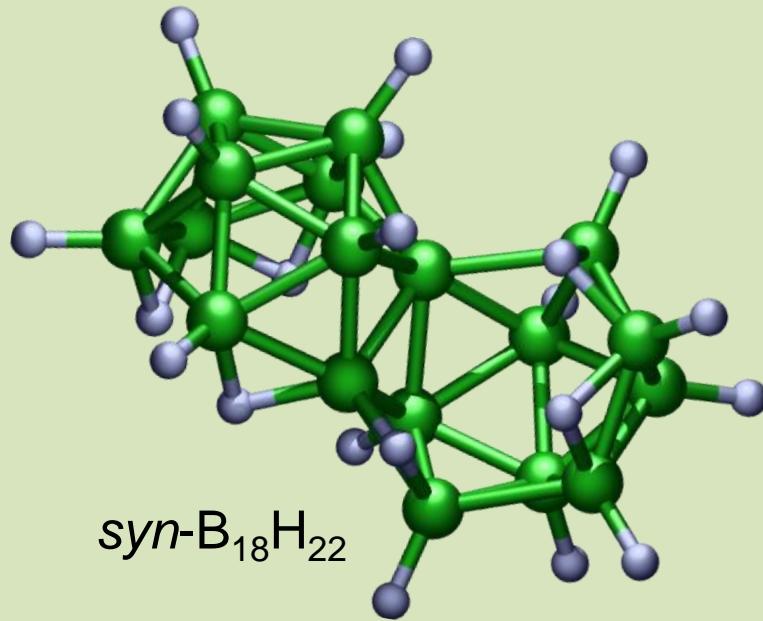
***anti-B*<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub>**  
 $T_t = 175,55 \pm 0,23^\circ\text{C}$



The  
isomers of  
 $B_{18}H_{22}$

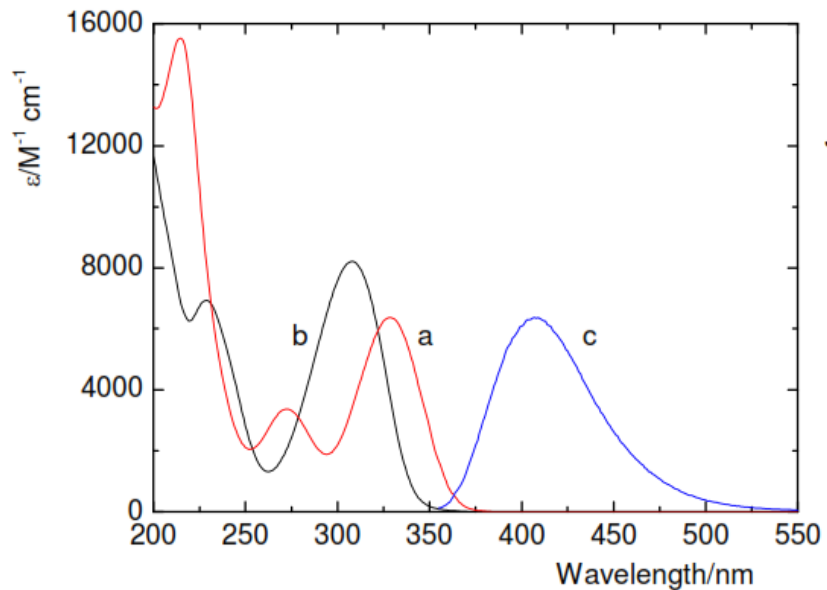


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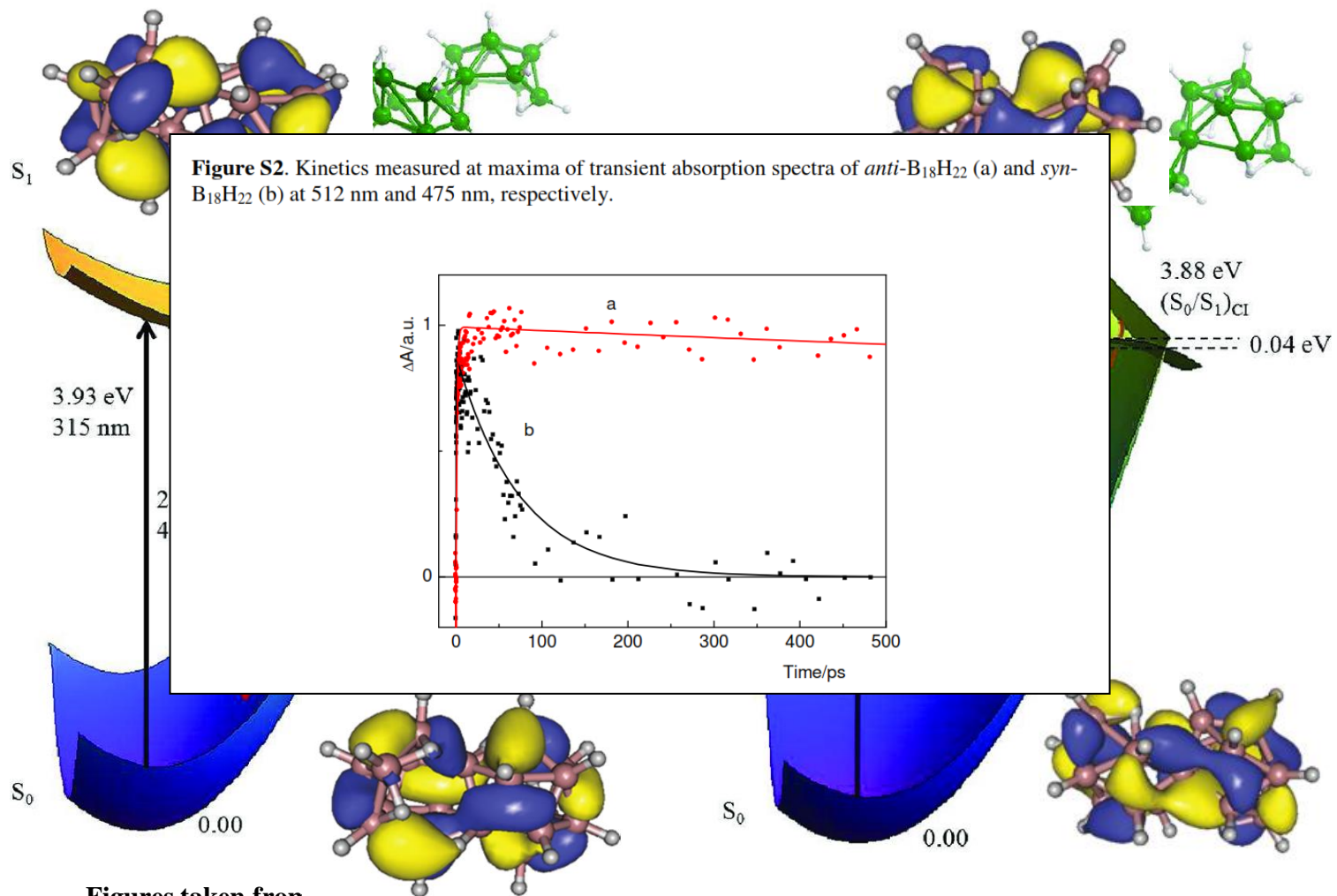
*syn*- $B_{18}H_{22}$

**Figure S1.** UV-vis absorption spectra of *anti*-B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub> (a, red), *syn*-B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub> (b, black) (left axis), and fluorescence emission spectra (c, blue) ( $\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 340$  nm) of *anti*-B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub> (right axis) in hexane.



**Figure taken from:**

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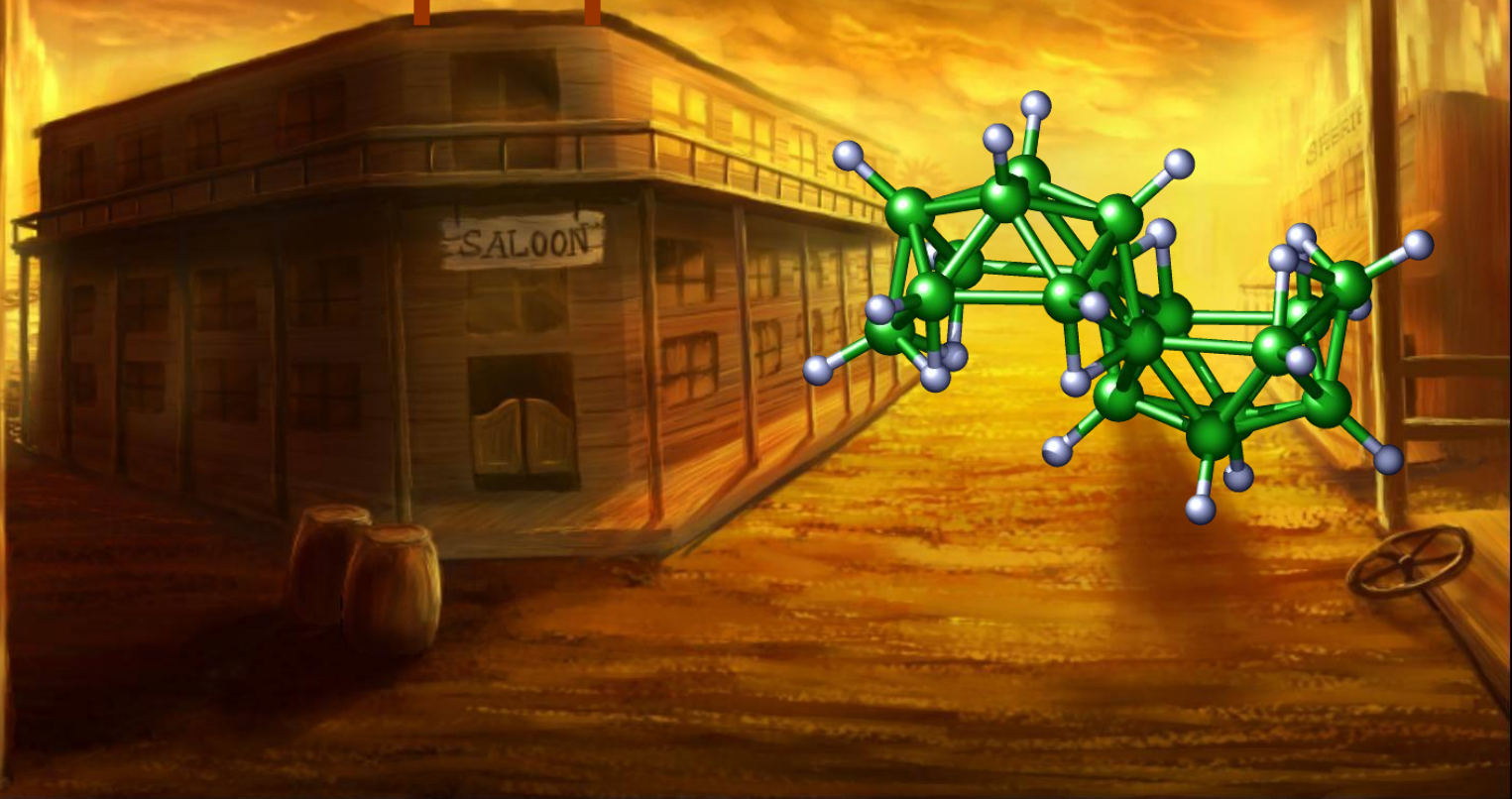
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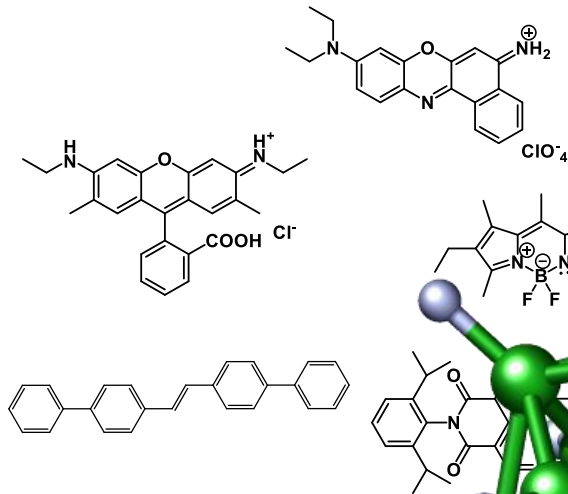
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## LASERVILLE

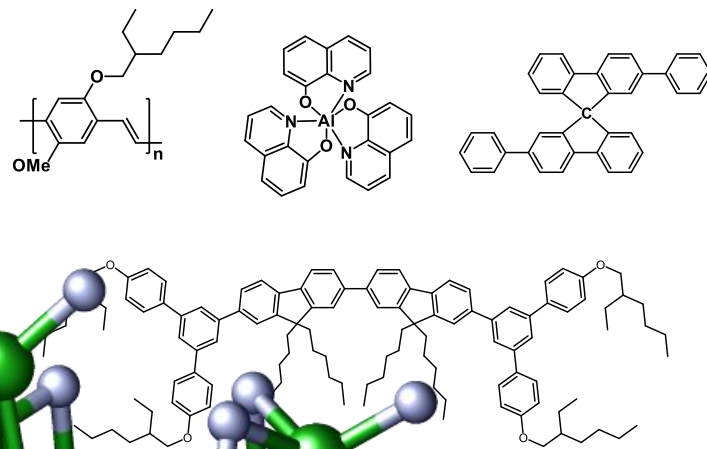
POPULATION: 27 ORGANIC DYES AND 2 QUANTUM DOTS



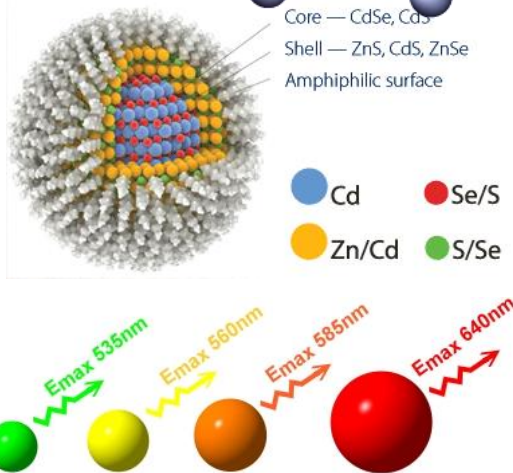
## Organic Dyes



## Organic Semiconductors

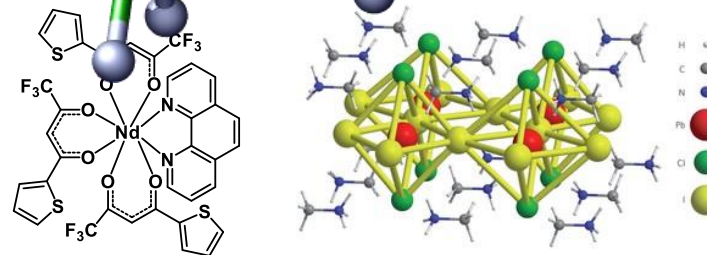


## Colloidal Quantum Dots



CdSe Quantum Dots drawn to scale

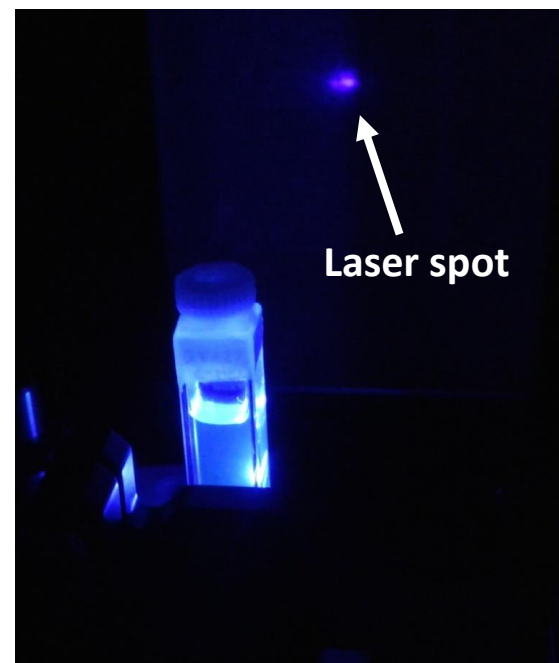
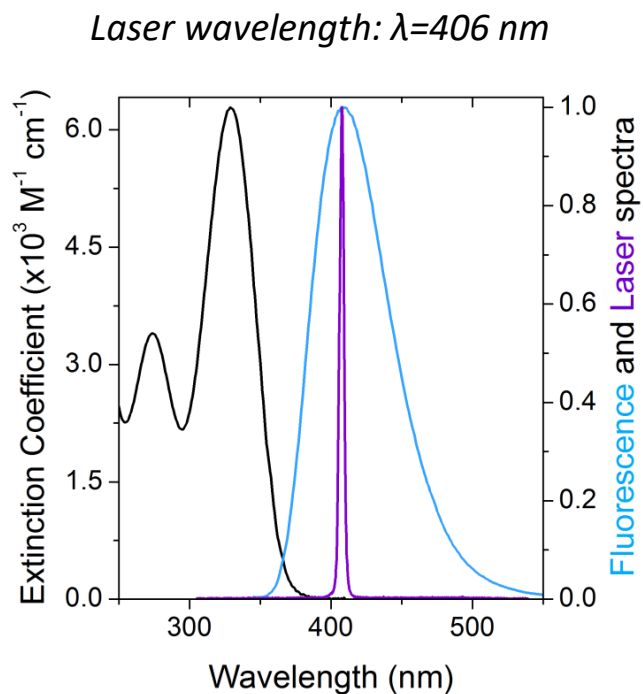
## Organic-Inorganic Hybrid Perovskites, Organic-Inorganic Hybrid Perovskites, ...





# A borane laser

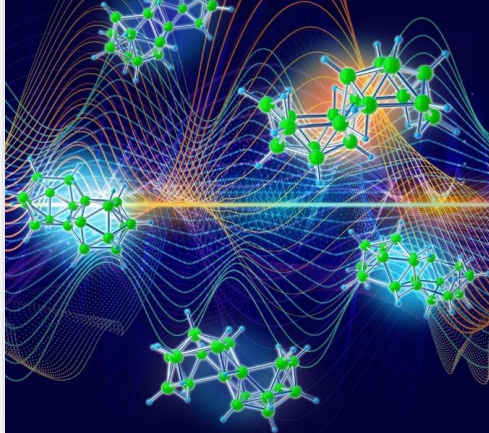
Luis Cerdán<sup>1</sup>, Jakub Braborec<sup>2,3</sup>, Inmaculada Garcia-Moreno<sup>1</sup>, Angel Costela<sup>1</sup> & Michael G.S. Londesborough<sup>2,\*</sup>



Experiment details:

Cyclohexane solution 50 mM Pump: Nitrogen laser,  $\lambda_{\text{pump}}=337$  nm

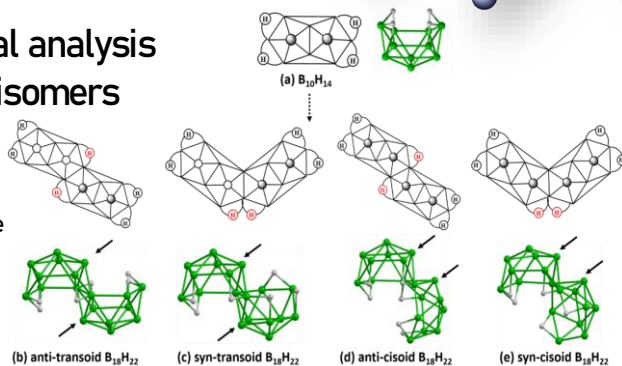
**DISCOVERY:** Excited-state photochemistry of  $B_{18}H_{22}$



“Unveiling the role of upper excited electronic states in the photochemistry and laser performance of *anti*- $B_{18}H_{22}$ ”  
*J. Mater. Chem. C*. 2020, 8, 12806.

**DISCOVERY:** Theoretical analysis of  $B_{18}H_{22}$  and  $B_{26}H_{30}$  isomers

“A theoretical analysis of the structure and properties of  $B_{26}H_{30}$  isomers. Consequences to the laser and semiconductor doping capabilities of large borane clusters”  
*Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* 2019, 21, 12916.

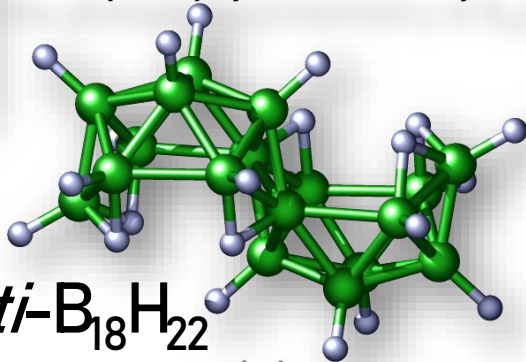


**DISCOVERY:** A quantum yield of fluorescence **0.97**

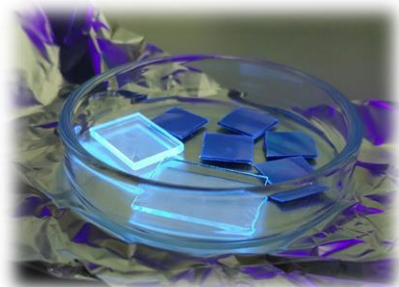


“Distinct Photophysics of the Isomers of  $B_{18}H_{22}$  Explained.”  
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**PHASE 1:** Comprehensive understanding of the photophysics/chemistry of  $B_{18}H_{22}$

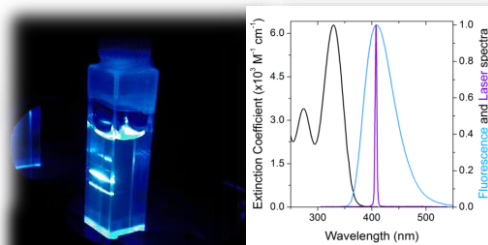


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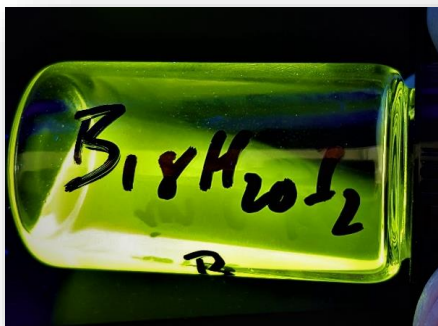
**DISCOVERY:** Luminescent properties of  $B_{18}H_{22}$  in polymer matrices

“The Photostability of Novel Boron Hydride Emitters in Solutions and Polystyrene Matrix.”  
*Materials*, 2021, 14(3), 589.

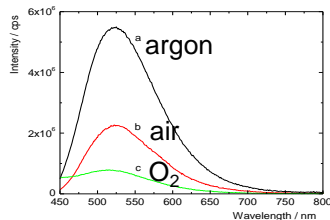
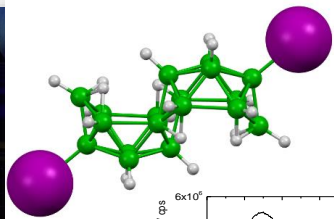


**DISCOVERY:** The first borane laser

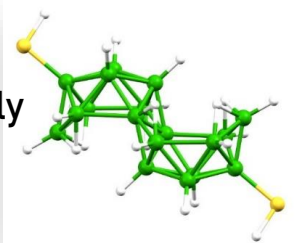
“A Borane Laser.”  
*Nature Communications*. 2015, 6, 5958.



“Effect of Iodination on the Photophysics of the Laser Borane *anti*-B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub>: Generation of Efficient Photosensitizers of Oxygen” *Inorg. Chem* 2019, 58, 15, 10248.



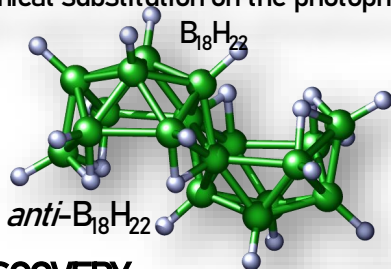
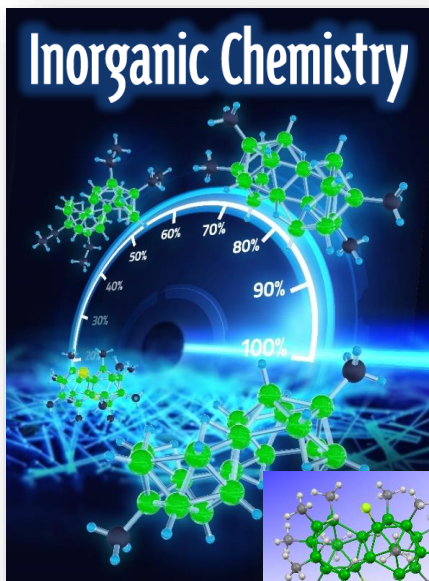
**DISCOVERY:** Iodination and thiolation of B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub> gives highly efficient singlet-oxygen generators



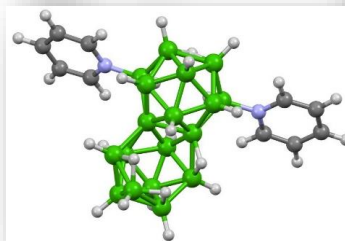
“Tuning the Photophysical Properties of *anti*-B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub>: Quantum Hopping between Excited Singlet and Triplet States in new 4,4'-(HS)<sub>2</sub>-*anti*-B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>” *Inorg. Chem* 2013, 52, 9266.

**PHASE 2:** Understanding of the effects of chemical substitution on the photophysics of

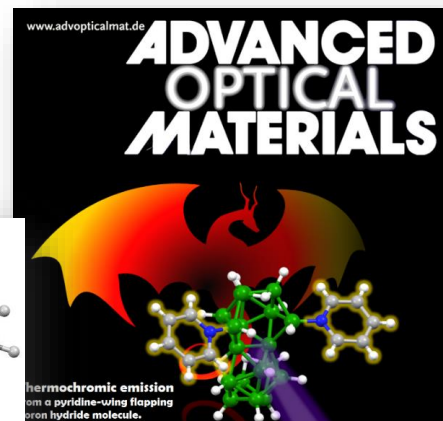
**DISCOVERY:** Pyridination of B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub> gives thermochromic luminosity



**DISCOVERY:** Alkylation of B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub> gives a series of 100% efficient blue luminophores and a 2<sup>nd</sup> borane laser



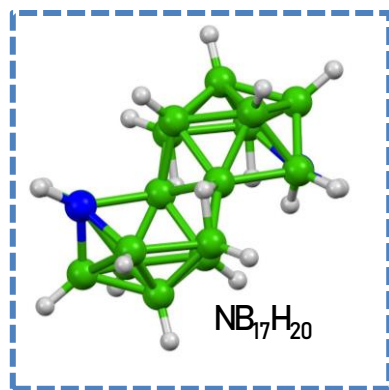
“Swollen Polyhedral Volume of the *anti*-B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub> cluster via extensive methylation.” *Inorg. Chem* 2020, 59, 5, 2651.  
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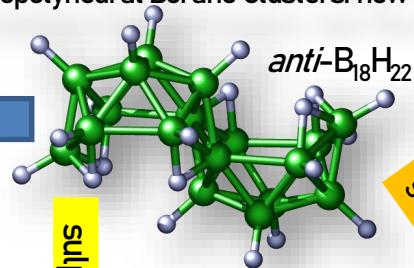
“Thermochromic Fluorescence from B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>(NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>.” *Adv. Opt. Mater.* 2017, 5, 6, 1600694.

“Substitution of laser borane *anti*-B<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub> with pyridine” *Dalton Trans.*, 2018, 47, 1709

**PHASE 3: The FUTURE** - A Step-change in the Search for Photoactive Macropolyhedral Borane Clusters: new thia-, seleno-, and azaboranes



nitrogen



sulphur

selenium

- New synthetic methods
- New cluster architectures
- New luminescent boranes

