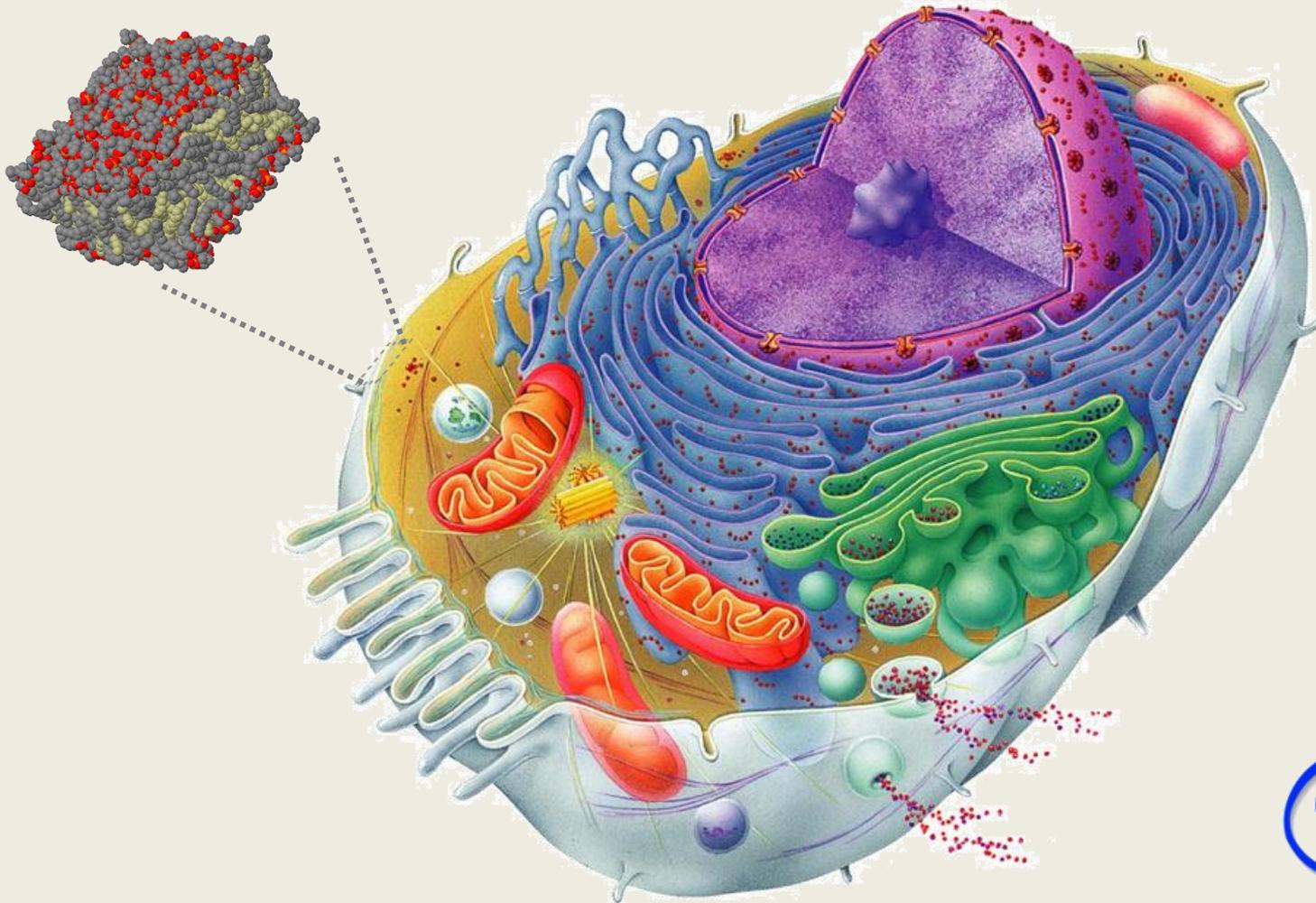


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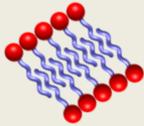
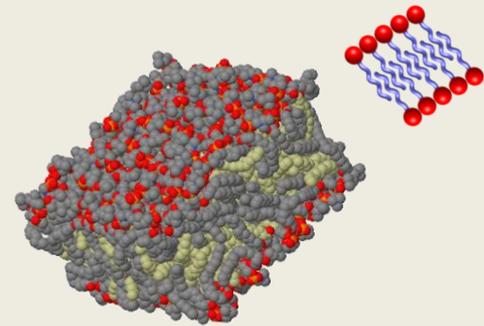
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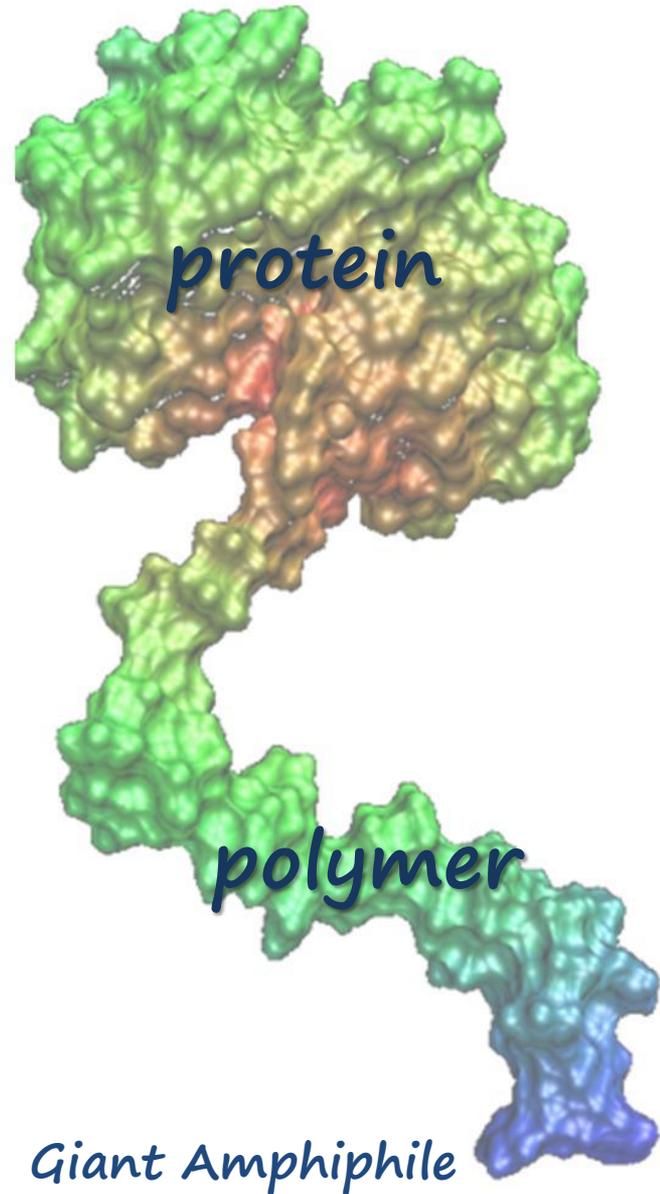
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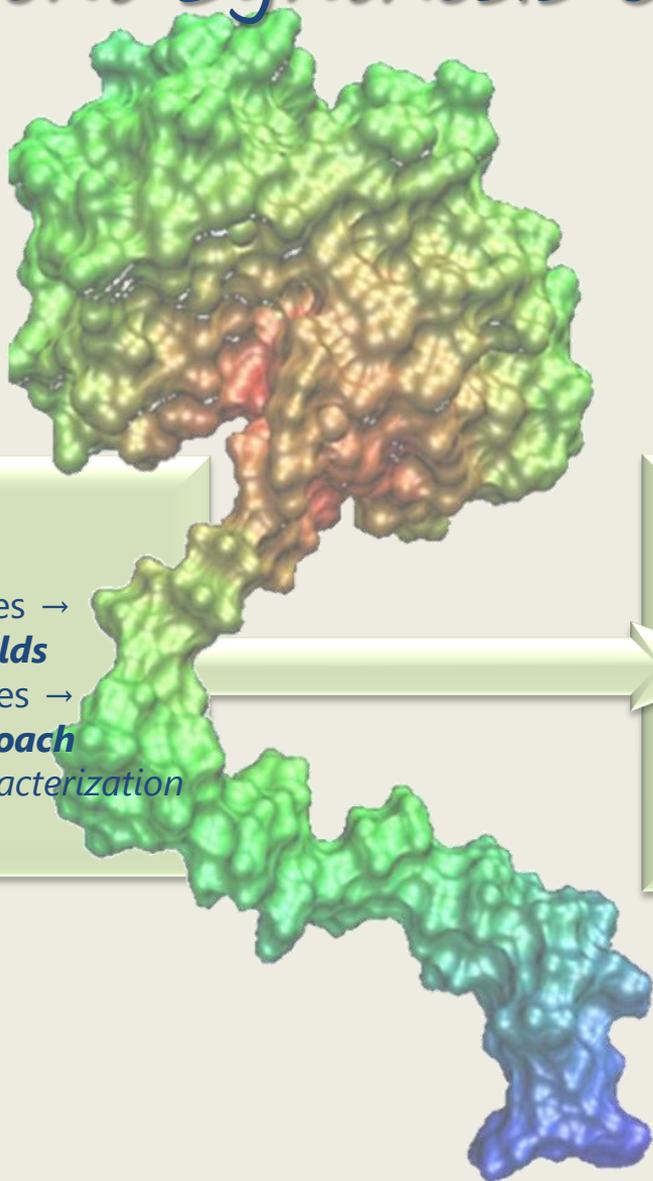
# Giant Amphiphiles



Molecular  
Amphiphile



# Goal Efficient Synthesis & Applications



## **Problems:**

- ✓ Amphiphilic macromolecules →  
**Low reaction yields**
- ✓ Multifunctional biomolecules →  
**No generic approach**
- ✓ Difficult purification & characterization

## **Efficient Synthesis:**

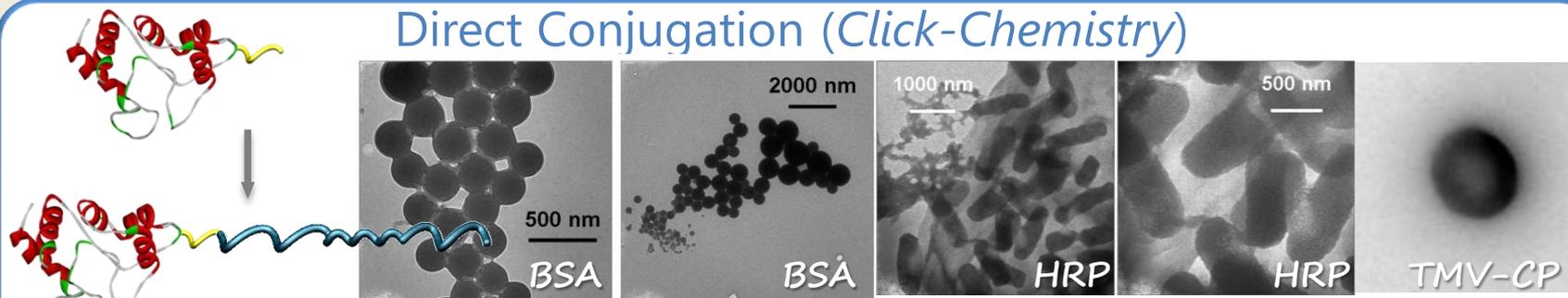
- ✓ Benign reaction conditions
- ✓ Absence of by-products
- ✓ Quantitative reactions
- ✓ Easy purification

## **Applications :**

nanocontainers, nanoreactors in aqueous and organic media, multifunctional assemblies.

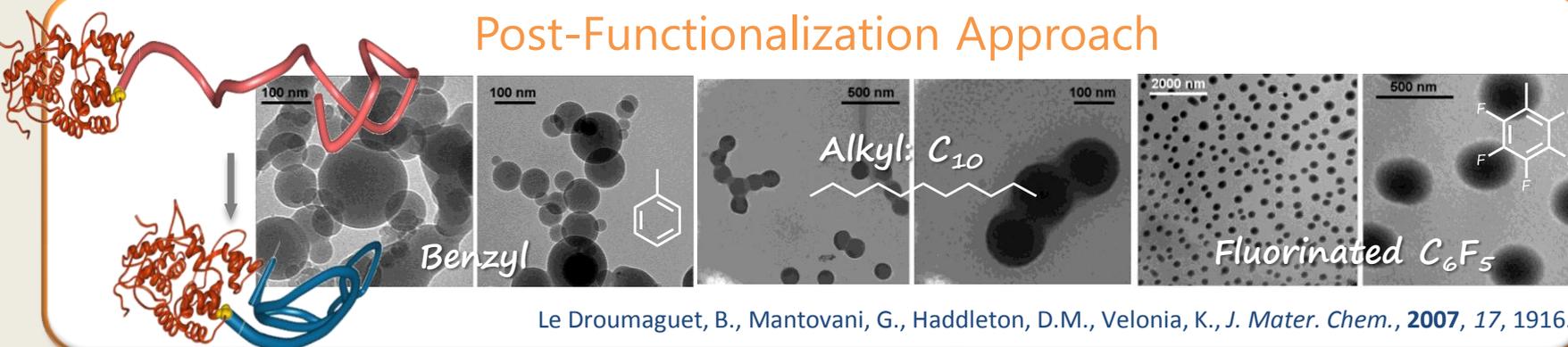
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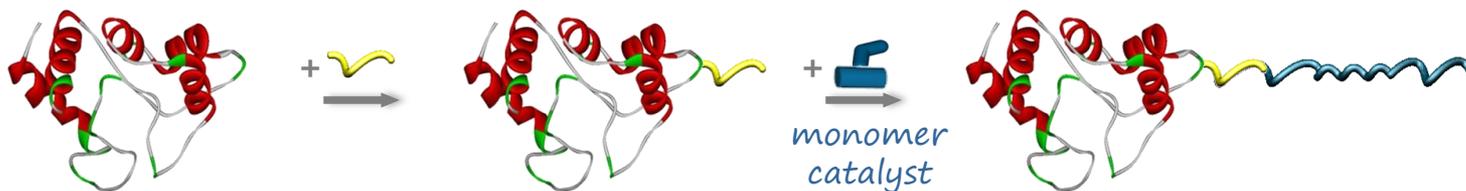
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## Grafting *from* approach / one-pot synthesis

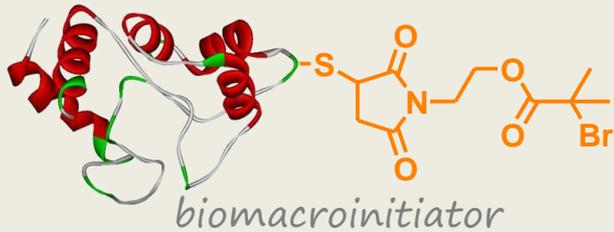


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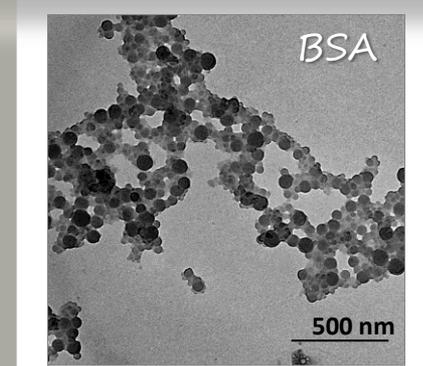
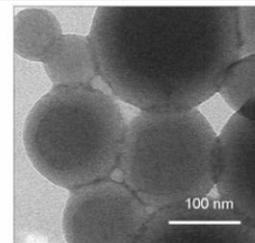
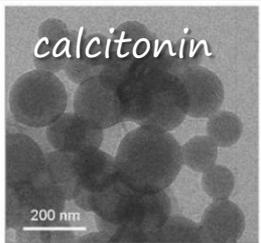
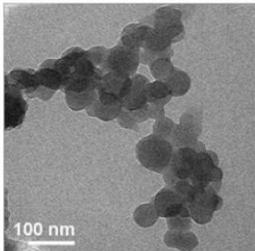
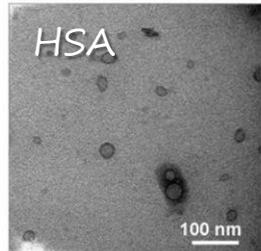
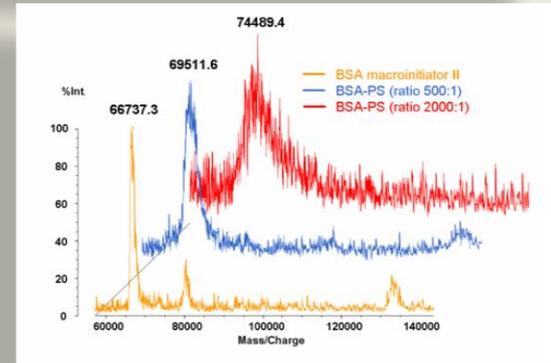
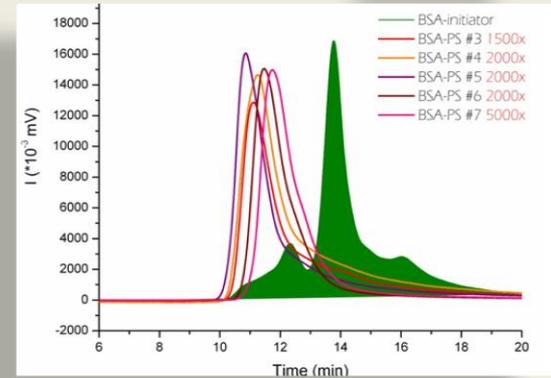
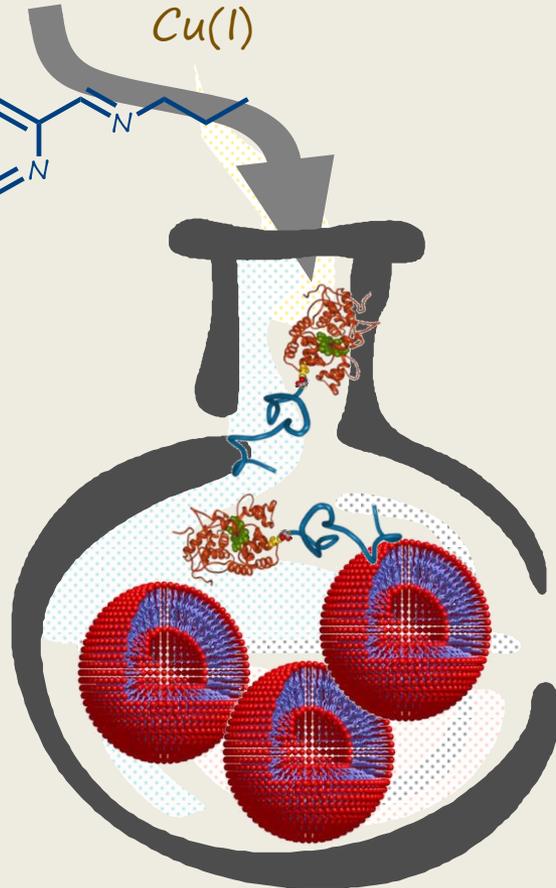


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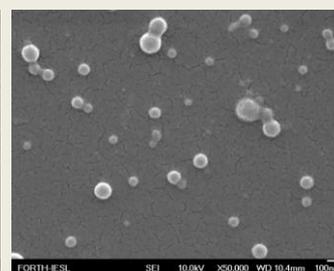
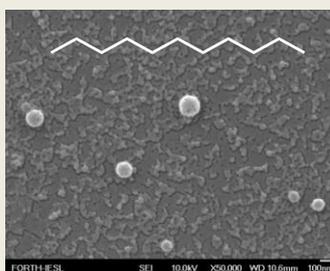
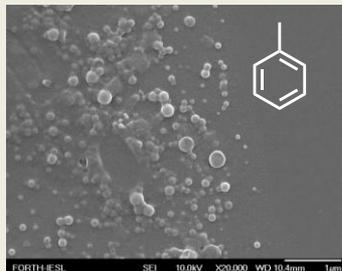
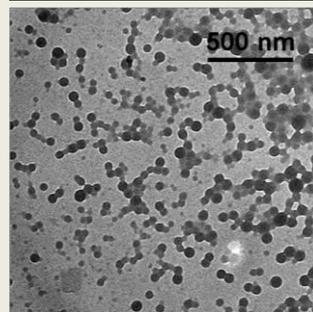
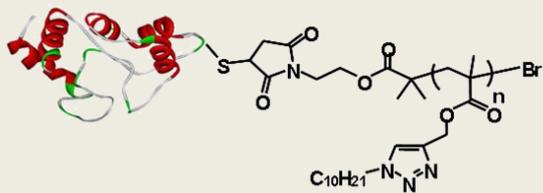
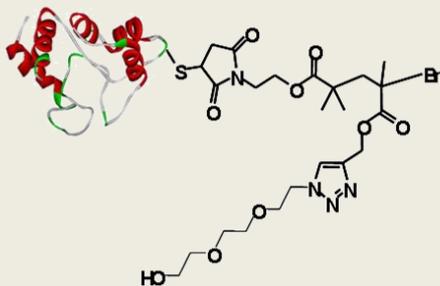
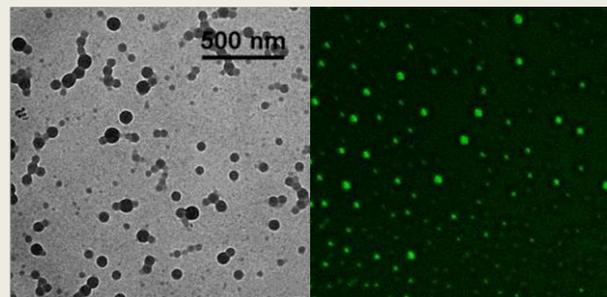
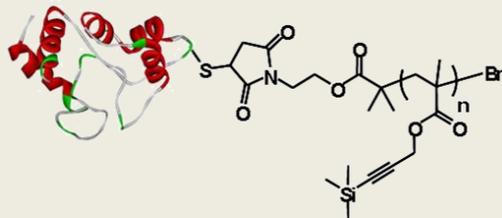


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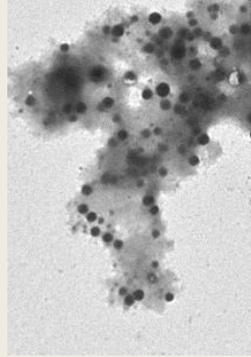
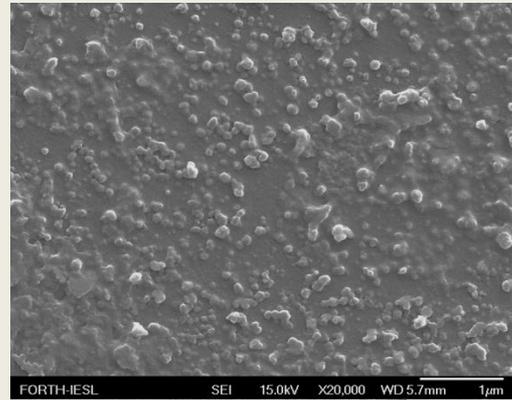
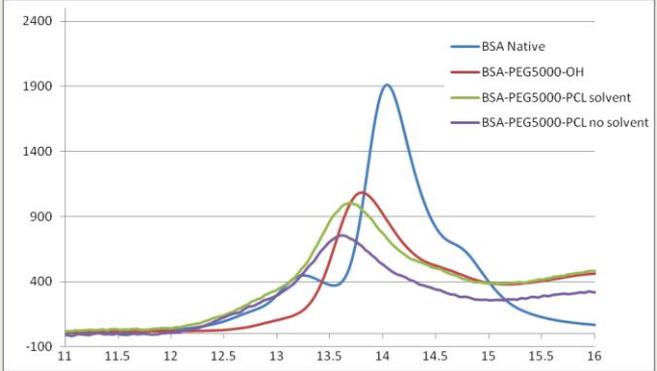
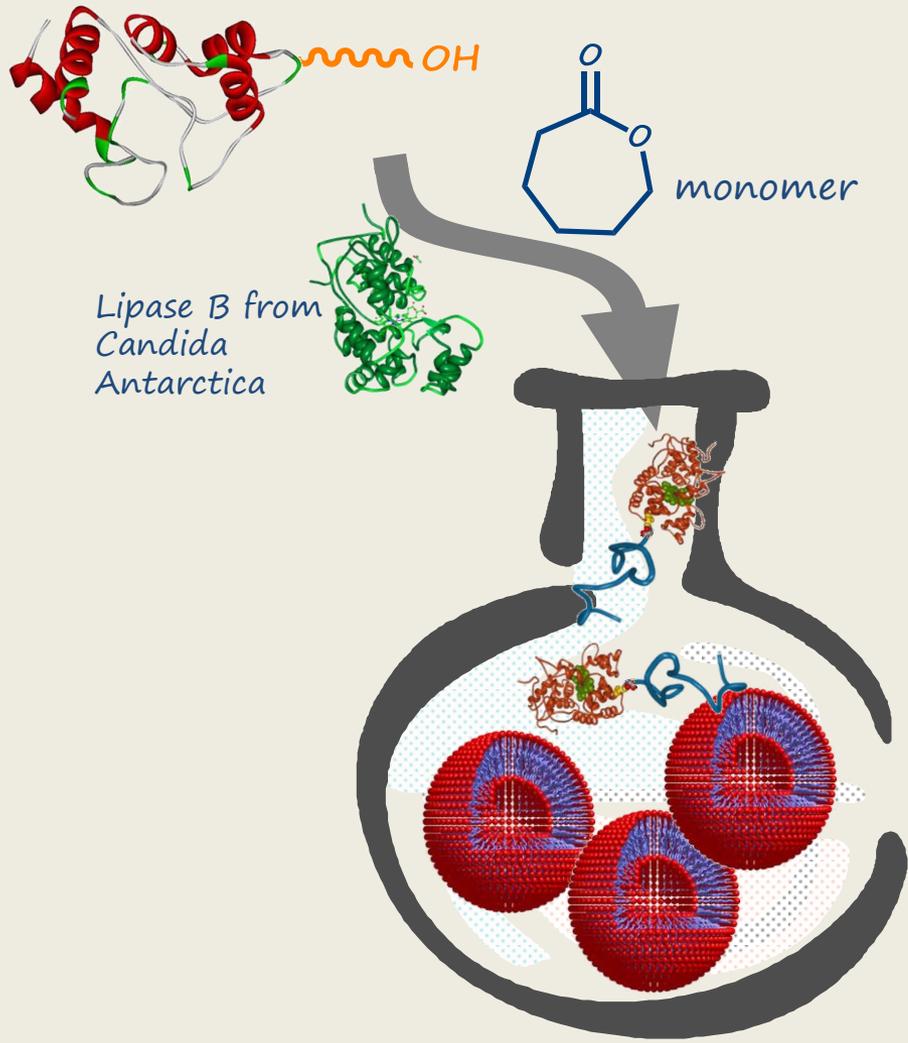
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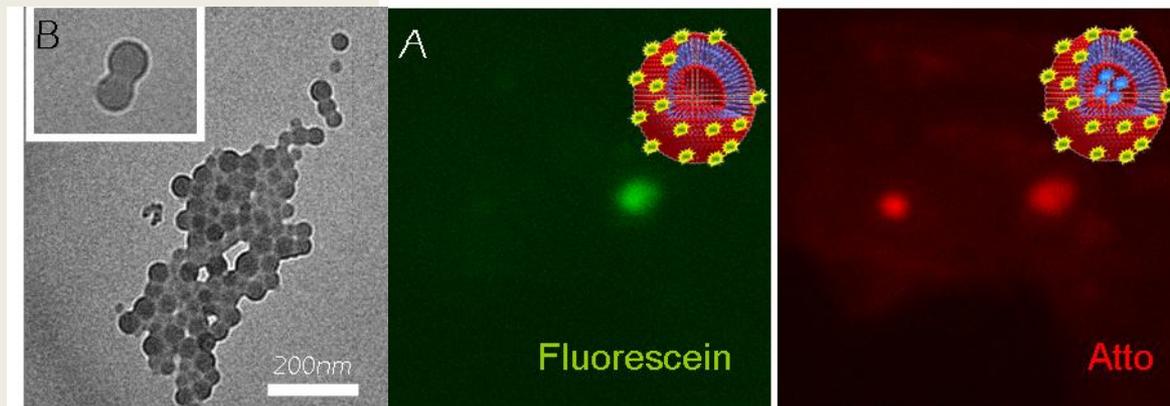
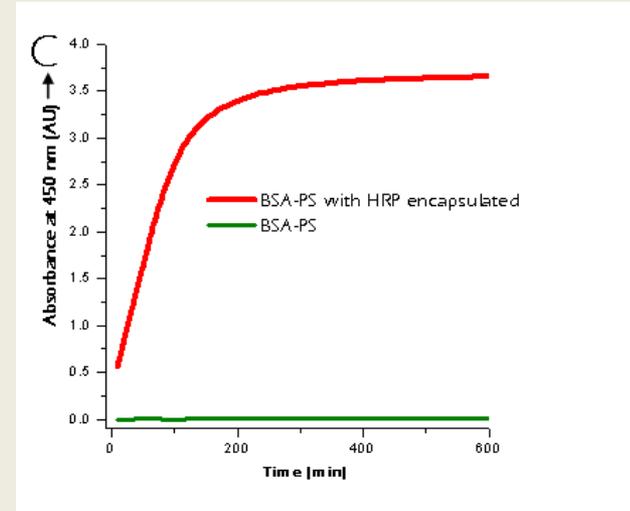
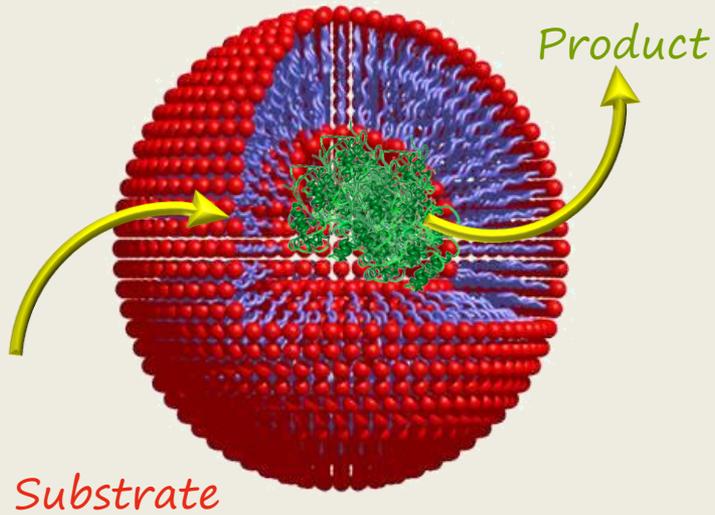


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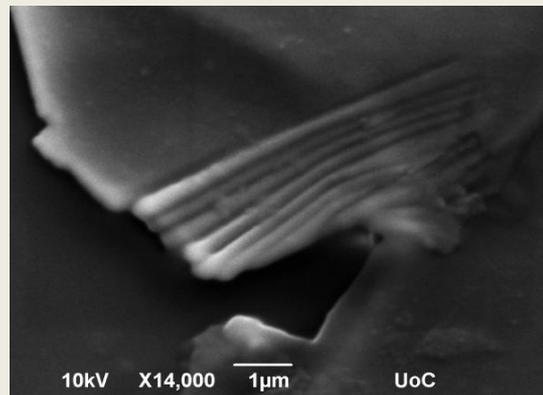
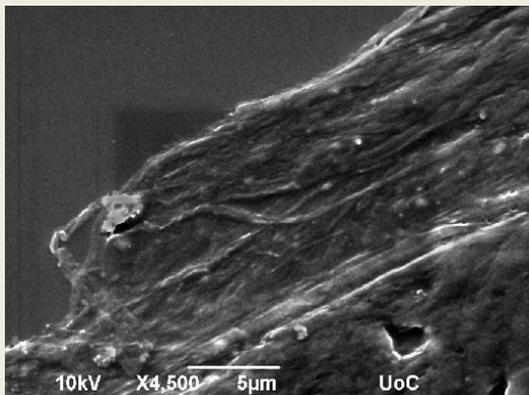
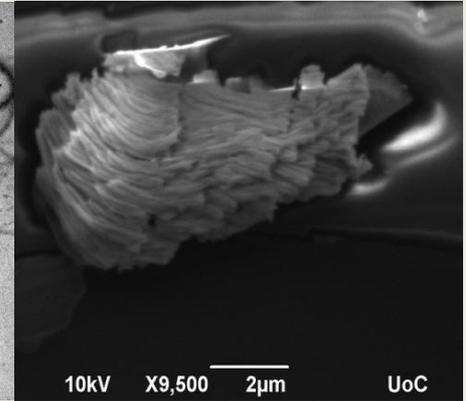
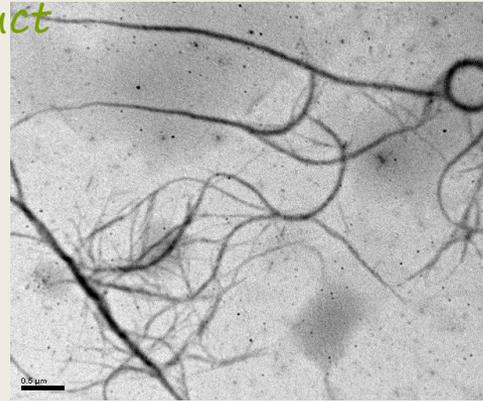
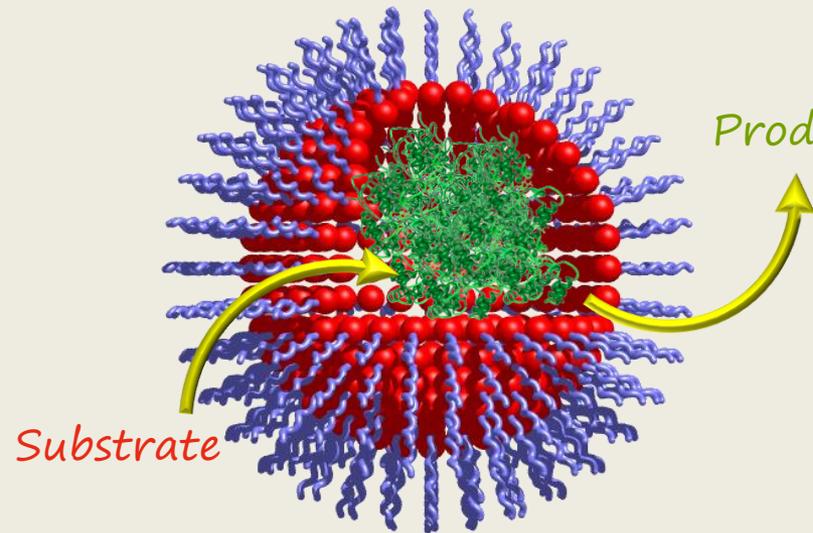


*... what about applications ???*

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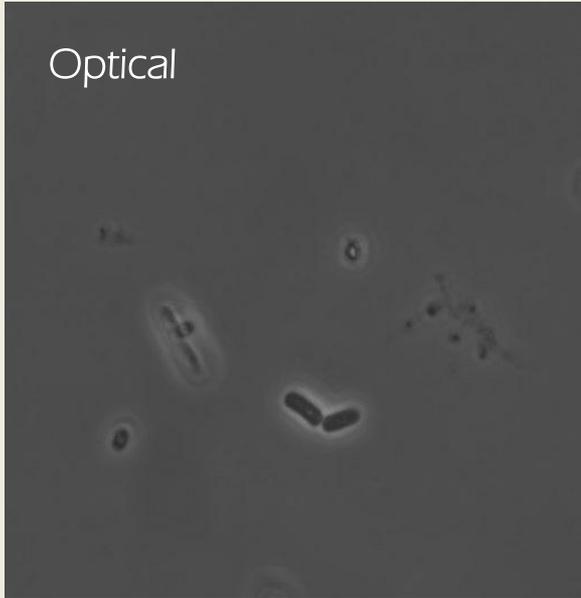


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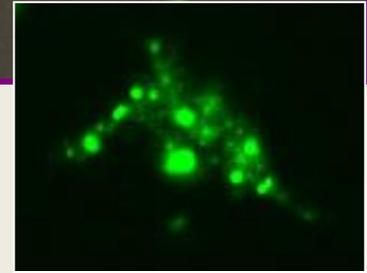
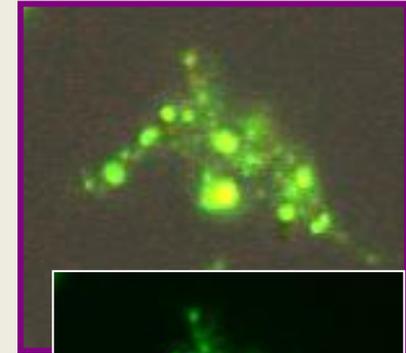
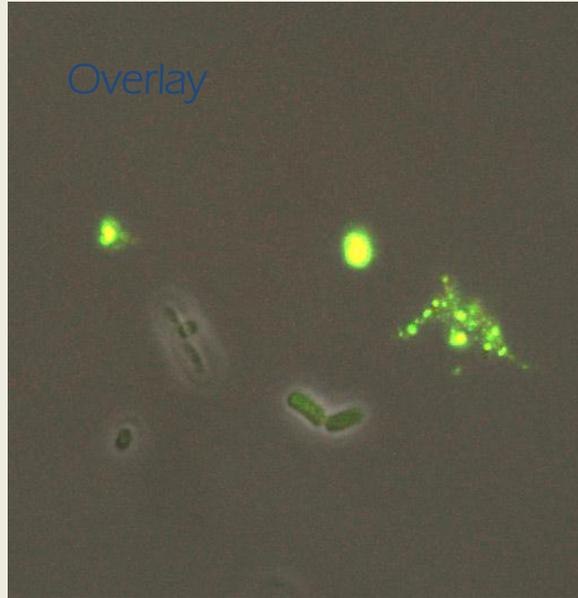


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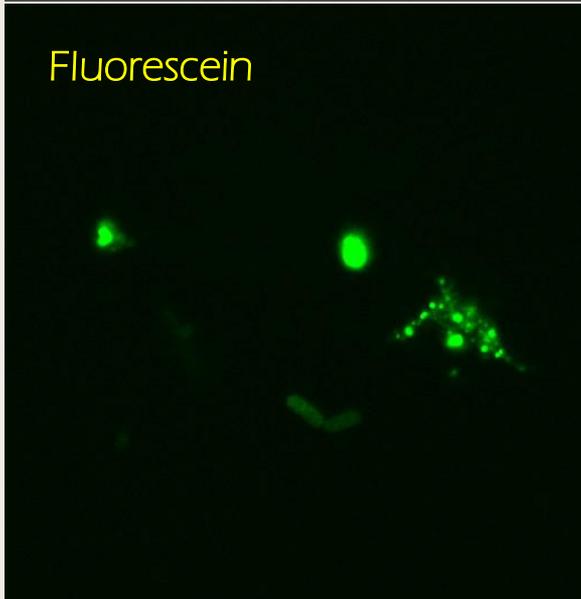
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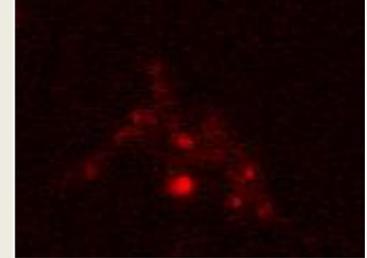
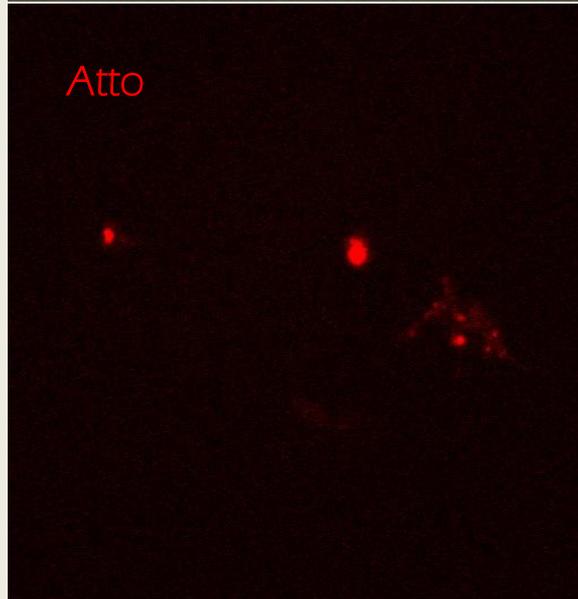
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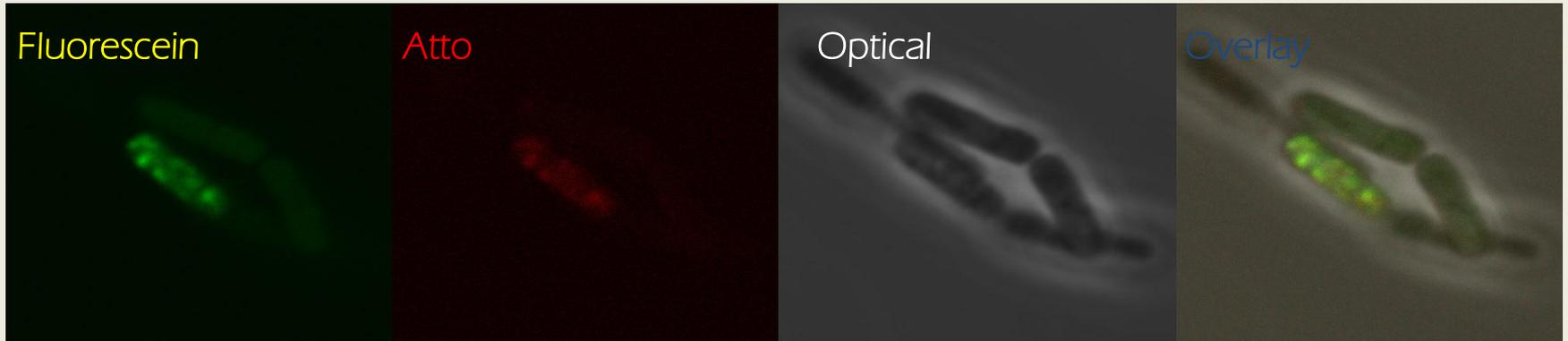
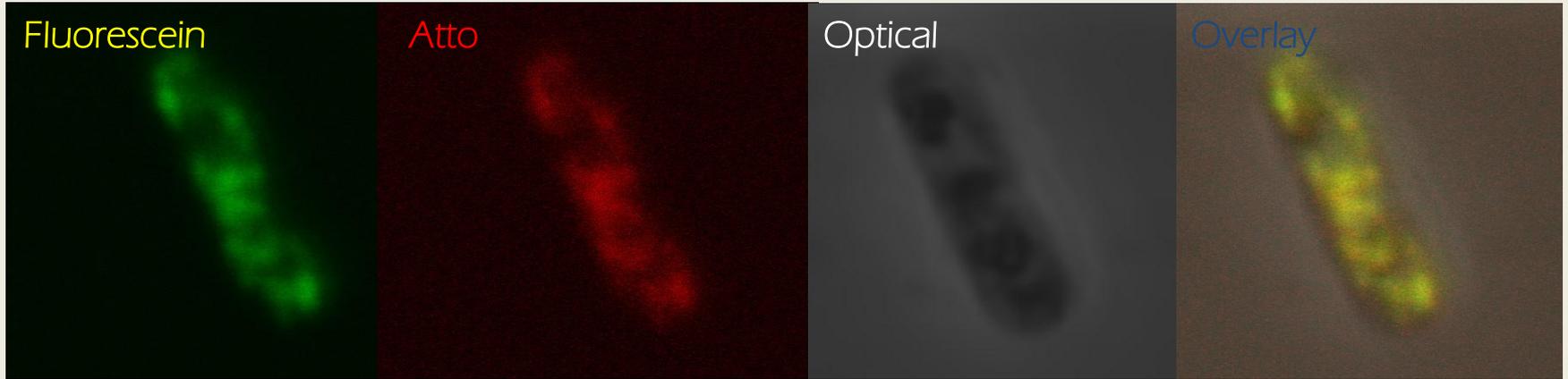
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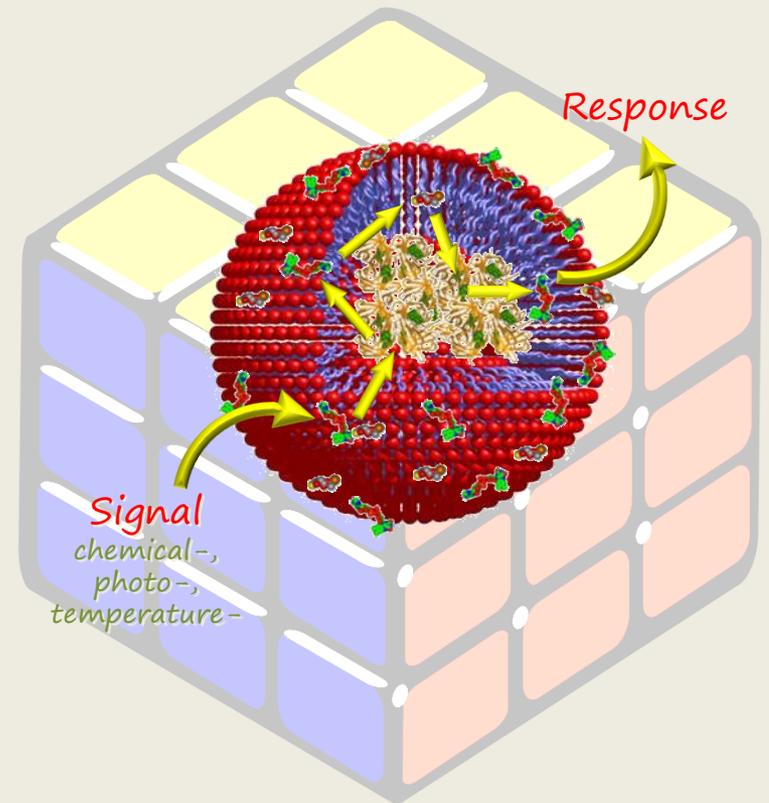
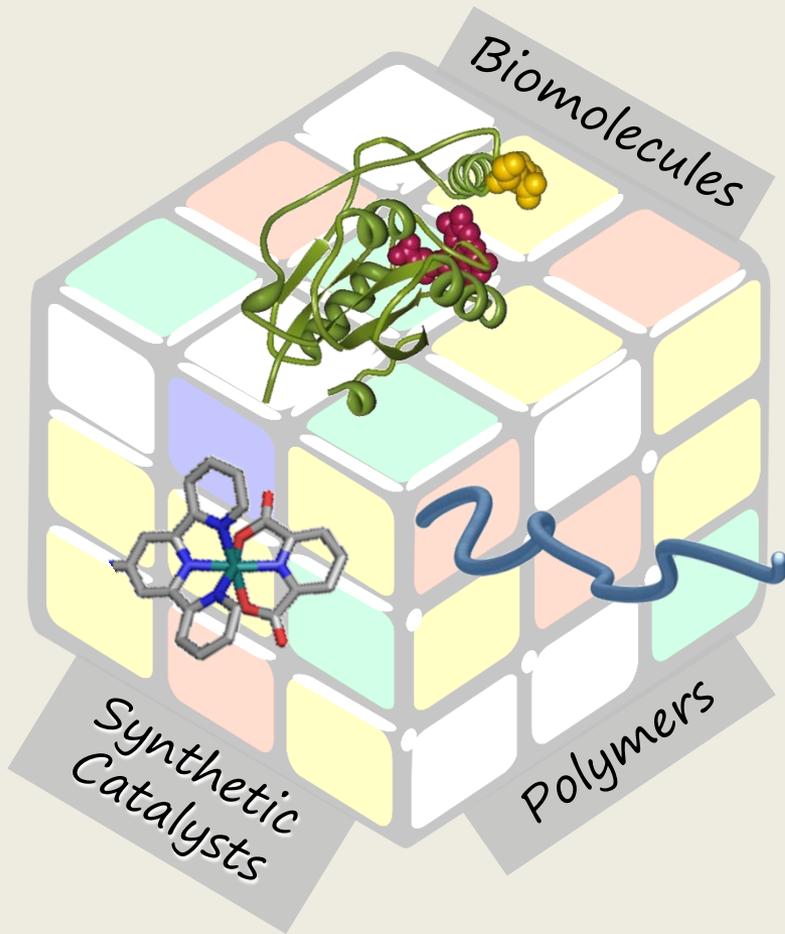
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# A Holy Grail ...



Cell Mimicking BioMaterials

Superstructures aimed to Perform Specific Functions with a Controlled Manner and precision down to the Single Molecule.

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