Phthalocyanine-fullerene Based Photoactive Ensembles

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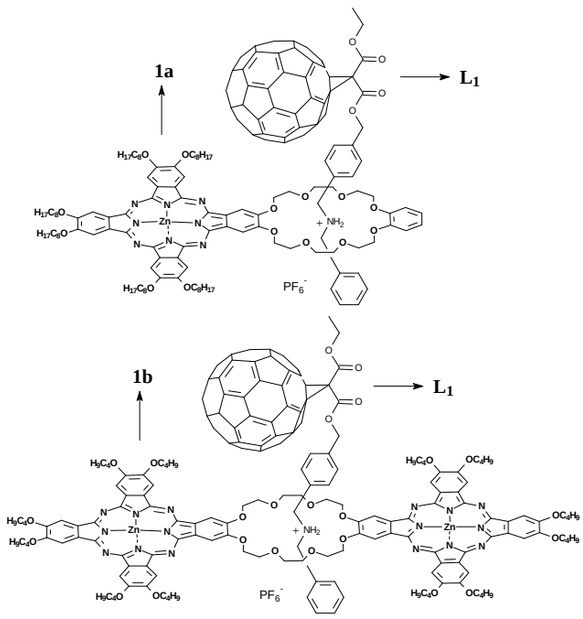
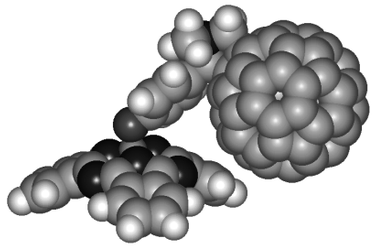
Phthalocyanines (**Pc**) and related analogues[1] have drawn considerable attention as new molecular materials that give rise to improved electronic and optical properties. Owing to the unique redox- and photochemical features of **Pc**s, the design of linked **Pc-C_{60}** systems appears particularly promising.

Recently we have reported on the electrochemical and photophysical properties of several **Pc-C_{60}** systems.[2] To the best of our knowledge, photoinduced energy / electron transfer events had never been studied in linked **Pc-C_{60}** dyads.

In this communication we present our recent advances on the synthesis and properties of covalently and non-covalently linked phthalocyanine-C_{60} ensembles and related systems.





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