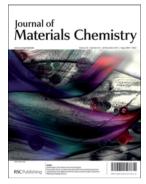
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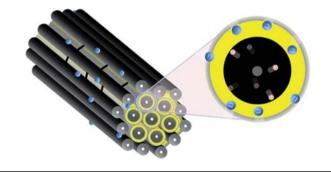
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#### Advances in Li-S batteries

Xiulei Ji and Linda F. Nazar\*

Li-S batteries represent one of the most promising energy storage systems for load levelling and transportation purposes. This article reviews their challenges and recently achieved progress in the area.

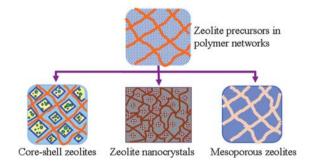


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#### Controlling zeolite structures and morphologies using polymer networks

Jianfeng Yao,\* Yi Huang and Huanting Wang\*

Functional three-dimensional polymer networks can be used to control the growth of zeolites with different structures and morphologies.



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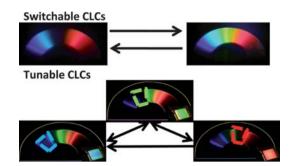
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#### Dynamic color in stimuli-responsive cholesteric liquid crystals

Timothy J. White,\* Michael E. McConney and Timothy J. Bunning\*

The use of cholesteric liquid crystals (CLCs) as dynamic optical materials for color switching or tuning is reviewed.



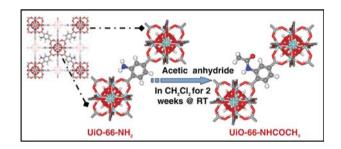
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#### Post-synthetic modification of the metal-organic framework compound UiO-66

Mathivathani Kandiah, Sandro Usseglio, Stian Svelle, Unni Olsbye, Karl Petter Lillerud and Mats Tilset\*

It is demonstrated that it is possible to perform covalent postsynthetic modifications of the UiO-66-NH<sub>2</sub> MOF by using four different acid anhydrides. FT-IR is employed to monitor the reactions, and the extent of reaction depends on the bulkiness of the anhydrides. For the smallest one, acetic anhydride, 100% conversion to UiO-66-NHCOCH3 was observed.

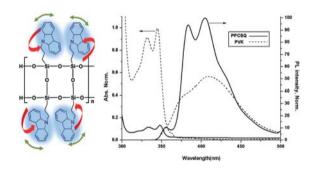


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#### High photo- and electroluminescence efficiencies of ladderlike structured polysilsesquioxane with carbazole groups

Seung-Sock Choi, He Seung Lee, Seung Sang Hwang, Dong Hoon Choi\* and Kyung-Youl Baek\*

Ladder-like structured polysilsesquioxane with carbazole groups showed unexpected high photo- and electroluminescence efficiencies both in solution and solid states due to its rigid silicone ladder structures, which efficiently isolated the carbazole groups and thus suppressed their excimer formations by interand intramolecules.

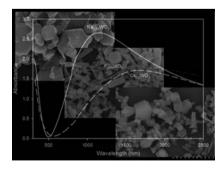


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#### Thermal plasma synthesis of tungsten bronze nanoparticles for near infra-red absorption applications

Marc Mamak, Sung Yeun Choi,\* Urs Stadler, Richard Dolbec, Maher Boulos and Srebri Petrov

The high throughput production of tungsten bronze nanoparticles with high purity and tunable composition was achieved by thermal plasma synthesis.



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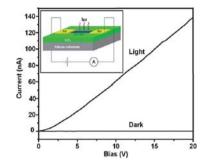
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#### High performance ultraviolet photodetectors based on an individual Zn<sub>2</sub>SnO<sub>4</sub> single crystalline nanowire

Yanjun Zhang, Jianjun Wang, Hongfei Zhu, Hui Li, Li Jiang, Chunying Shu,\* Wenping Hu and Chunru Wang\*

Ultraviolet photodetectors based on an individual Zn<sub>2</sub>SnO<sub>4</sub> nanowire with high "ON/OFF" current ratio, high response speed and excellent stability.



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Processable donor-acceptor type electrochromes switching between multicolored and highly transmissive states towards single component RGB-based display devices

Abidin Balan, Derya Baran and Levent Toppare\*

Spray processable, p and n dopable polymers switching between multicolor and transparent states for single component RGB based display devices.



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Synthesis and characterization of tunable rainbow colored colloidal silver nanoparticles using single-nanoparticle plasmonic microscopy and spectroscopy

Tao Huang and Xiao-Hong Nancy Xu\*

We report the synthesis and characterization of tunable rainbow colored colloidal Ag NPs at single NP resolution.

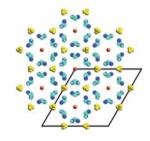


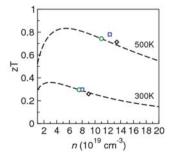
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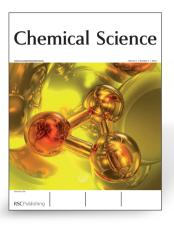
Eric S. Toberer, Protima Rauwel, Sylvain Gariel, J. Taftø and G. Jeffrey Snyder\*

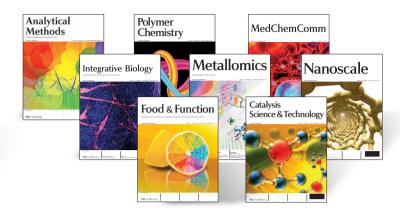
High temperature thermoelectric properties of Zn<sub>4</sub>Sb<sub>3</sub> are reported within the phase stability window, revealing the potential for improved performance at lower carrier concentrations.





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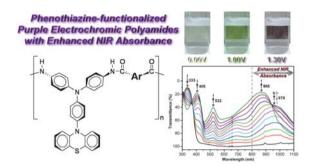
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#### Enhanced near-infrared electrochromism in triphenylaminebased aramids bearing phenothiazine redox centers

Hung-Ju Yen and Guey-Sheng Liou\*

A series of organosoluble polyamides based on Nphenothiazinylphenyl redox units were prepared and showed reversible electrochemical oxidation with enhanced NIR contrast and anodic green/purple electrochromic behaviors.

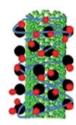


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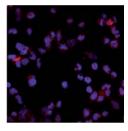
#### Carbon nanotube-based magnetic-fluorescent nanohybrids as highly efficient contrast agents for multimodal cellular imaging

Bingdi Chen, Hui Zhang, Chuanxin Zhai, Ning Du, Chen Sun, Jingwen Xue, Deren Yang,\* Hai Huang, Bo Zhang, Qiuping Xie and Yulian Wu\*

Multifunctional carbon nanotubes based magnetic-fluorescent nanohybrids have been synthesized and act as highly efficient contrast agents for multimodal cellular imaging.





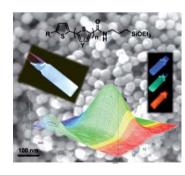


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#### Facile tuning from blue to white emission in silica nanoparticles doped with oligothiophene fluorophores

Manuela Melucci,\* Massimo Zambianchi, Giovanna Barbarella, Ilse Manet, Marco Montalti, Sara Bonacchi, Enrico Rampazzo, Diana Cristina Rambaldi, Andrea Zattoni and Pierluigi Reschiglian

The synthesis of new oligothiophene-silica hybrid nanoparticles (TFsSiO<sub>2</sub>NPs) is described. Formation of NPs characterized by almost pure white light emission was achieved through tailored co-assembly of TFs.



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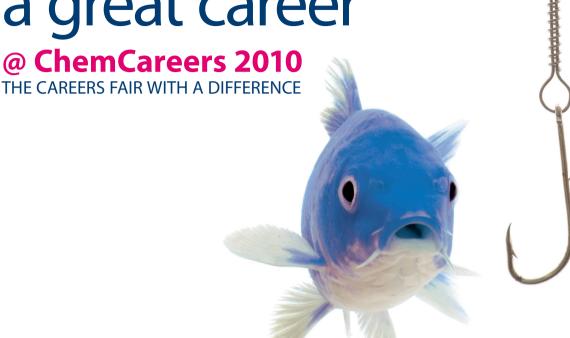
#### Photo-response behavior of electrospun nanofibers based on spiropyran-cyclodextrin modified polymer

Frederico B. De Sousa, João D. T. Guerreiro, Minglin Ma, Daniel G. Anderson, Chester L. Drum, Rubén D. Sinisterra and Robert Langer

Electrospun photochromic nanofibers based on modified cyclodextrin-spiropyran polymer with light controlled surface properties and kinetic isomerization rates.



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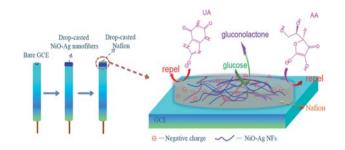


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Preparation and characterization of NiO-Ag nanofibers, NiO nanofibers, and porous Ag: towards the development of a highly sensitive and selective non-enzymatic glucose sensor

Yu Ding, Ying Wang, Liang Su, Heng Zhang and Yu Lei\*

Highly sensitive and selective NiO-Ag based non-enzymatic glucose sensors have been developed and show potential practical application.

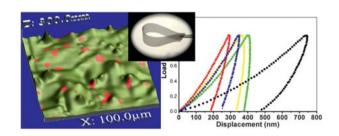


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#### Graphene oxide modified with PMMA via ATRP as a reinforcement filler

Gil Gonçalves, Paula A. A. P. Marques,\* Ana Barros-Timmons, Igor Bdkin, Manoj K. Singh, Nazanin Emami and José Grácio

ATRP was used to graft PMMA chains from the surface of graphene oxide. PMMA composite films prepared with 1% (w/w) GPMMA gave the best mechanical properties. AFM proved to be an effective tool to analyse the surface filler distribution in polymer matrices.

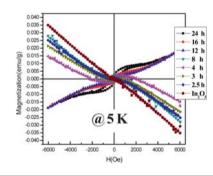


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#### Experimental observation of ferromagnetism evolution in nanostructured semiconductor InN

Bo Song, Kaixing Zhu, Jun Liu, Jikang Jian, Jiecai Han, Huiqiang Bao, Hui Li, Yu Liu, Hongbo Zuo, Wanyan Wang, Gang Wang, Xinghong Zhang, Songhe Meng, Wenjun Wang and Xiaolong Chen\*

We observe a magnetic transition from diamagnetic to ferromagnetic in undoped InN with increase of nitridation time. It is speculated that increasing defects such as N vacancies are intrinsic causes.

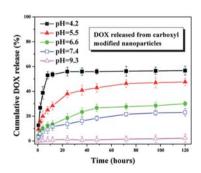


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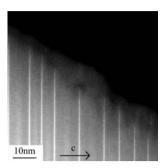
#### Surface functionalization of magnetic mesoporous silica nanoparticles for controlled drug release

Baisong Chang, Jia Guo, Congying Liu, Ji Qian and Wuli Yang\*

Magnetic mesoporous silica nanoparticles were available to undergo a diversity of surface functionalization and thus presented the flexible ability to store and release hydrophilic/ hydrophobic anticancer drugs.



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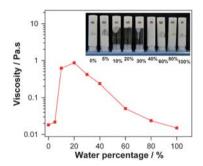


## Anomalous Eu layer doping in Eu, Si co-doped aluminium nitride based phosphor and its direct observation

Takashi Takeda,\* Naoto Hirosaki, Rong-Jun Xie, Koji Kimoto and Mitsuhiro Saito

HAADF-STEM image of Eu, Si co-doped AlN phosphor. Bright segments show Eu single layer occupation.

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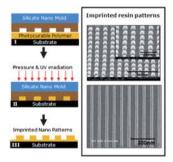


# Anomalous rheological behavior in chemically modified $TiO_2$ colloidal pastes prepared for flexible dye-sensitized solar cells

Hasitha C. Weerasinghe, George V. Franks, Johan D. Plessis, George P. Simon and Yi-Bing Cheng\*

The rheological behaviour of ethanol-based titania slurries under different treatments and the effect of such treatments on the interparticle connection of the prepared titania films have been extensively studied.

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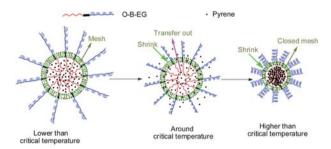


## Non-sticky silicate replica mold by phase conversion approach for nanoimprint lithography applications

Sungjune Park, Hyun-Ha Park, Oc Hee Han, Seen Ae Chae, Duhyun Lee and Dong-Pyo Kim\*

We have developed a transparent, non-sticky silicate nano mold with high mechanical strength and excellent releasing properties through a simple phase conversion process of polyvinylsilazane (PVSZ) replica mold.

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#### Morphology tailoring and temperature sensitivity control of waist cross-linked micelles and evaluation of their application as intelligent drug carriers

Conghui Yuan, Yiting Xu, Yifu Liao, Sujuan Lin, Ning He\* and Lizong Dai\*

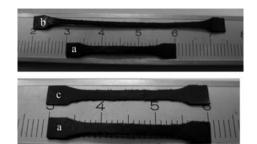
A new type of temperature sensitive micelle stabilized with a waist cross-linked structure which switches the release of hydrophobic drugs from the interior core.

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#### Shape memory polyurethanes containing azo exhibiting photoisomerization function

Yaoming Zhang, Chao Wang, Xianqiang Pei, Qihua Wang\* and Tingmei Wang

azoPU (sample A) showing shape memory effect at 75 °C: (a) initial state; (b) deformed state (stretched at 75 °C and fixed at 25 °C); (c) recovered state after heating in oven at 75 °C.

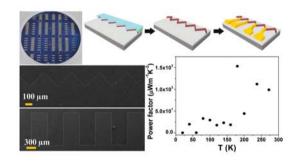


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#### Ultra-long bismuth telluride nanoribbons synthesis by lithographically patterned galvanic displacement

H. Jung, Y. Rheem, N. Chartuprayoon, J.-H. Lim, K.-H. Lee, B. Yoo, K.-J. Lee, Y.-H. Choa, P. Wei, J. Shi and N. V. Myung\*

Wafer-scale synthesis of single semiconducting BiTe nanoribbons was demonstrated by Lithographically Patterned Galvanic Displacement with controlled composition and dimensions. Composition and size dependent material, electrical, and thermoelectrical properties were systematically investigated.

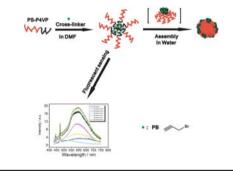


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#### Polymeric core-shell stars with a novel fluorescent, cross-linked and swollen core: Their efficient one-step preparation, further self-assembly into superparticles and application as a chemosensor

Ren Huang, Daoyong Chen\* and Ming Jiang

Polymeric stars with a swollen fluorescent core which are responsive to some metallic ions and basic species were efficiently prepared.

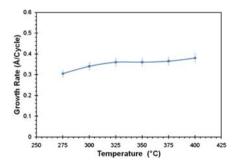


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#### Atomic layer deposition of CaB2O4 films using bis(tris(pyrazolyl)borate)calcium as a highly thermally stable boron and calcium source

Mark J. Saly, Frans Munnik and Charles H. Winter\*

The atomic layer deposition growth of CaB<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> films is demonstrated using CaTp<sub>2</sub> and water.



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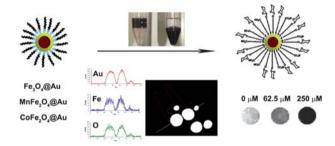


#### Monodispersed inorganic/organic hybrid spherical colloids: Versatile synthesis and their gas-triggered reversibly switchable wettability

Shaohua Liu, Guang Han, Mouhai Shu, Lu Han and Shunai Che $^*$ 

Five types of highly monodisperse transition metal oxide/organic hybrid colloids of IVb (Ti, Zr, Hf) and Vb (Nb, Ta) group elements with gas-triggered reversibly switchable wettability were synthesized.

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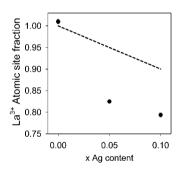


#### Water-soluble magnetic glyconanoparticles based on metal-doped ferrites coated with gold: Synthesis and characterization

Juan Gallo, Isabel García, Daniel Padro, Blanca Arnáiz and Soledad Penadés\*

Novel water-soluble bimetallic  $XFe_2O_4$ @Au (X = Fe, Mn and Co) glyconanocrystals were prepared, characterised and tested as MRI contrast agents.

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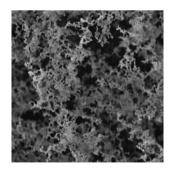


# Effective Ag doping and resistance to sulfur poisoning of La-Mn perovskites for the catalytic flameless combustion of methane

O. Buchneva, I. Rossetti, \* C. Oliva, M. Scavini, S. Cappelli, B. Sironi, M. Allieta, A. Kryukov and L. Forni

Samples with nominal composition  $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Ag}_x\text{MnO}_{3\pm\delta}$  with x=0;0.05;0.10 were prepared by flame spray pyrolysis (FP) and by the so-called sol–gel citrate method (SG). TPR, XRD and EPR were used as the main characterisation tools to highlight the effect of Ag doping.

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## Gas phase synthesis of titania with aerogel character and its application as a support in oxidation catalysis

Stefan Dilger, Christian Hintze, Michael Krumm, Carlos Lizandara-Pueyo, Salem Deeb, Sebastian Proch and Sebastian Polarz\*

Aerogel-like  $TiO_2$  has been prepared *via* aerosol synthesis and could be applied as new model systems in oxidation catalysis.