

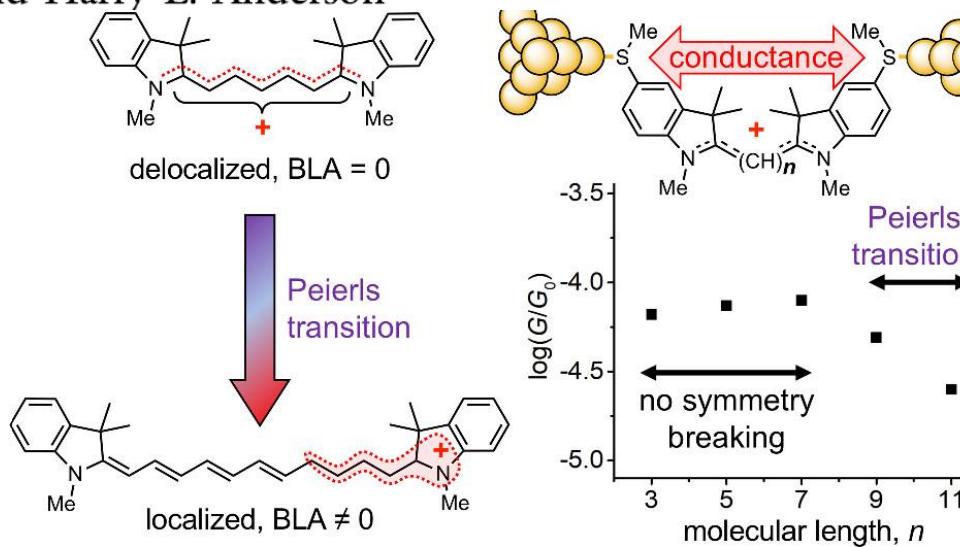


# 2021 Literature report II

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# A Peierls Transition in Long Polymethine Molecular Wires: Evolution of Molecular Geometry and Single-Molecule Conductance

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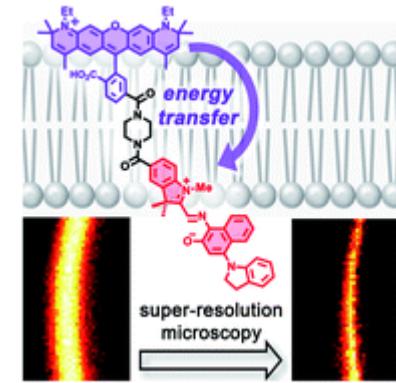
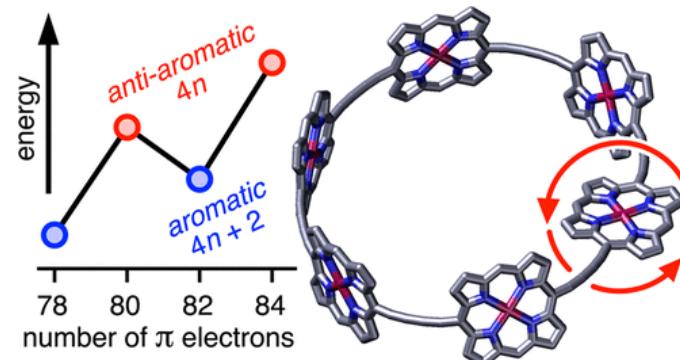
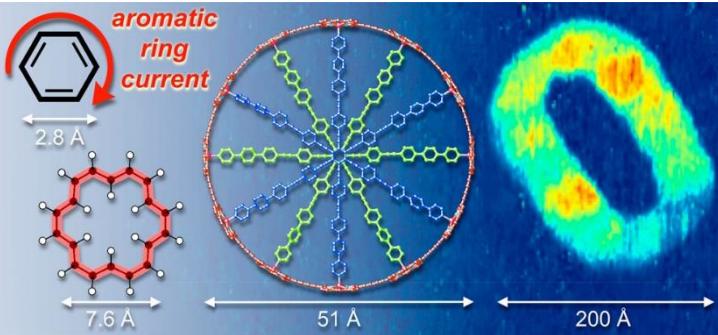
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## Research interest

Our research is in the areas of molecular materials synthesis, supramolecular chemistry, molecular recognition, polymers and dyes. We believe that a better understanding of the relationship between molecular structure, molecular function and macroscopic properties will give us the ability to build functional materials on the molecular scale.

Our work is directed towards the design and synthesis of functional molecular materials, and the elucidation of structures-property relationships.

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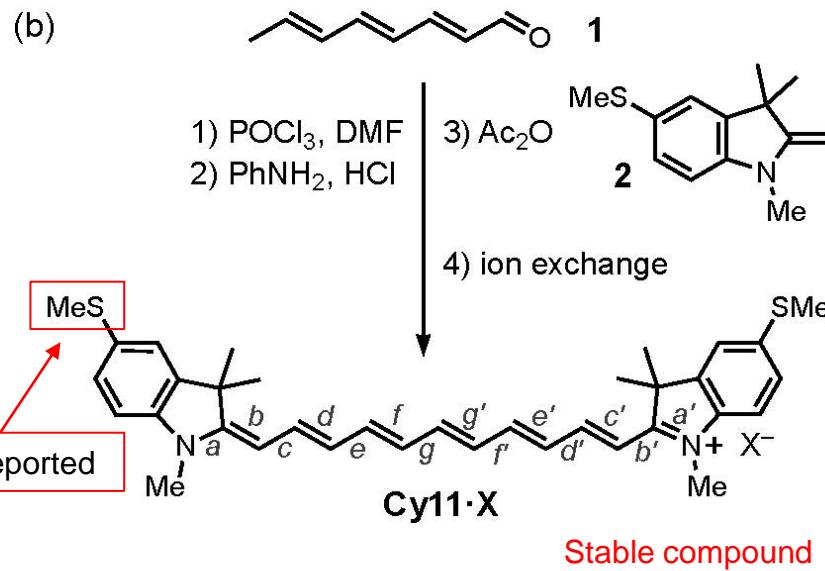
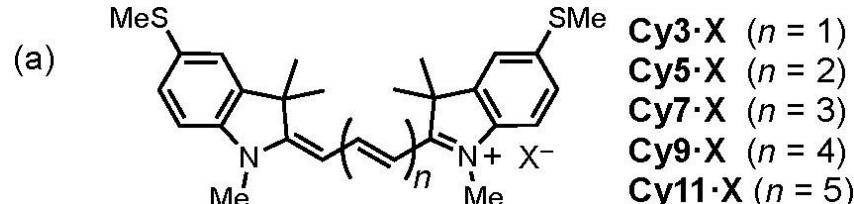
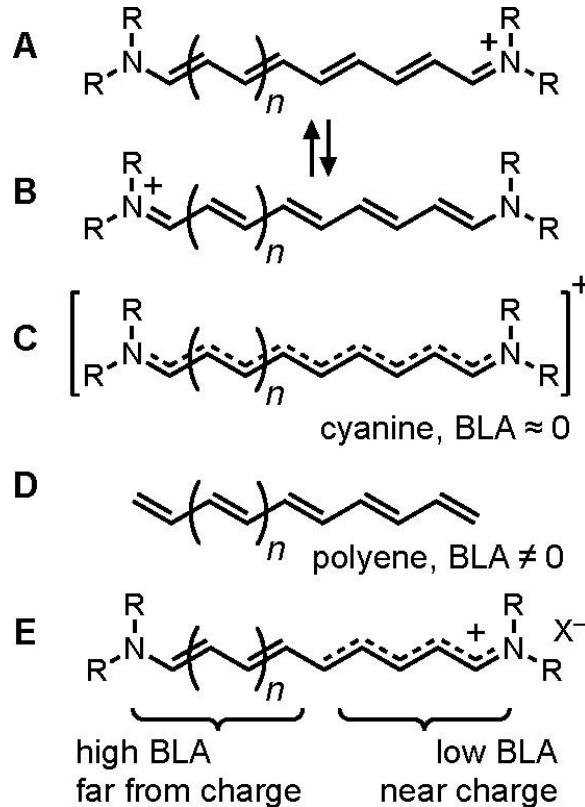
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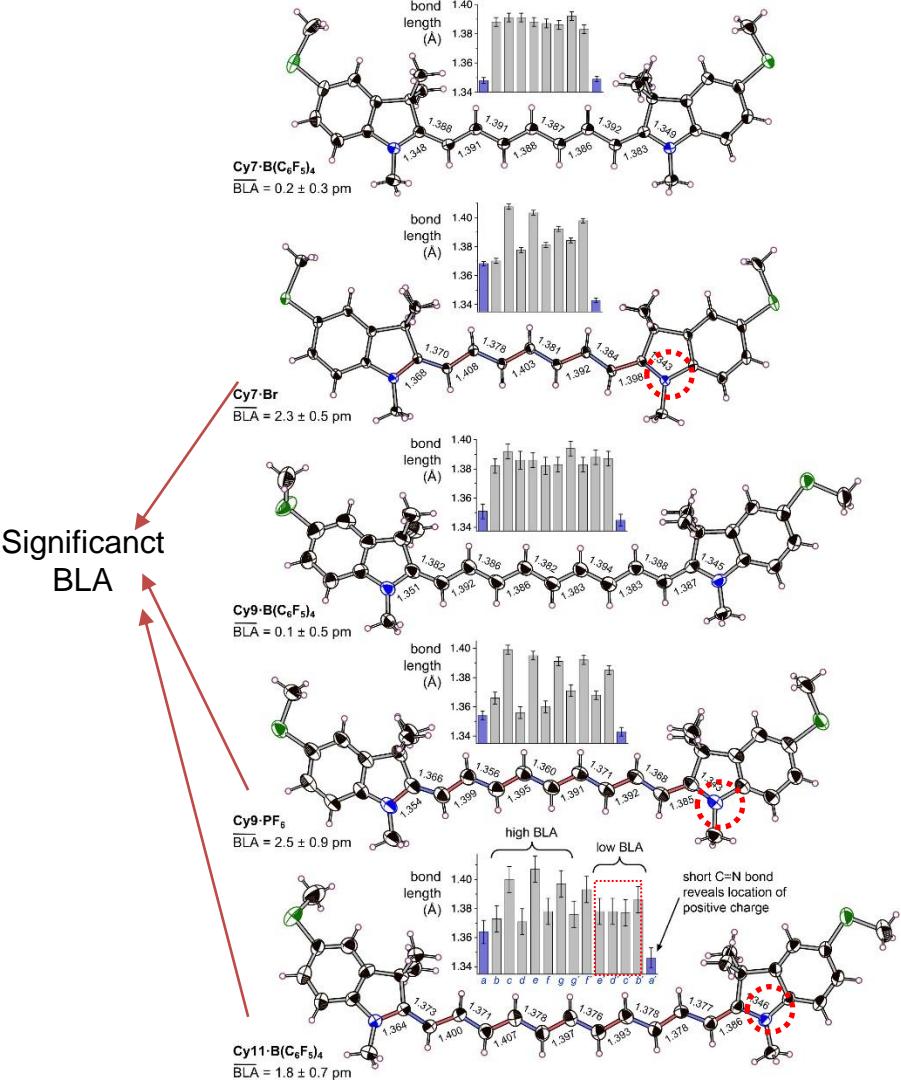
# Introduction



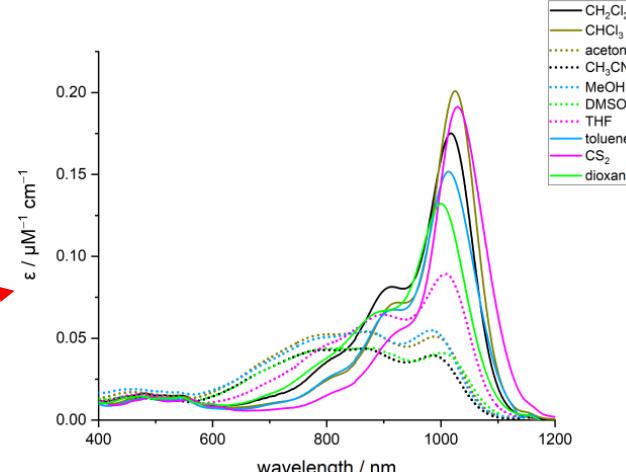
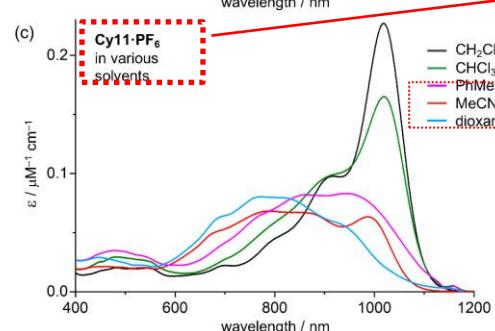
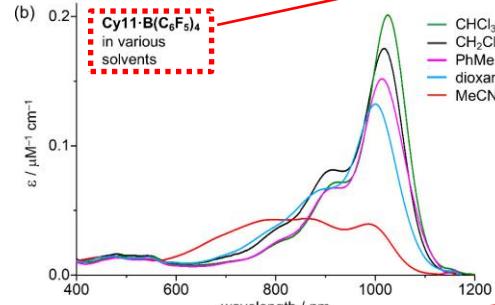
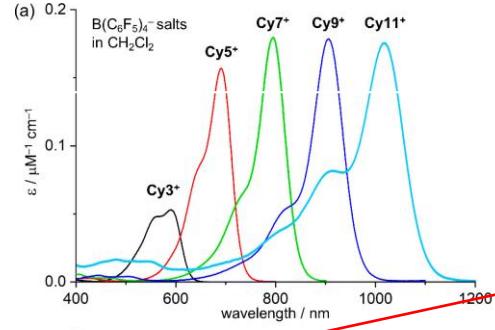
# Crystallography

**Table 4.** Bond lengths and bond length alternation from this work for Cy7, Cy9 and Cy11.

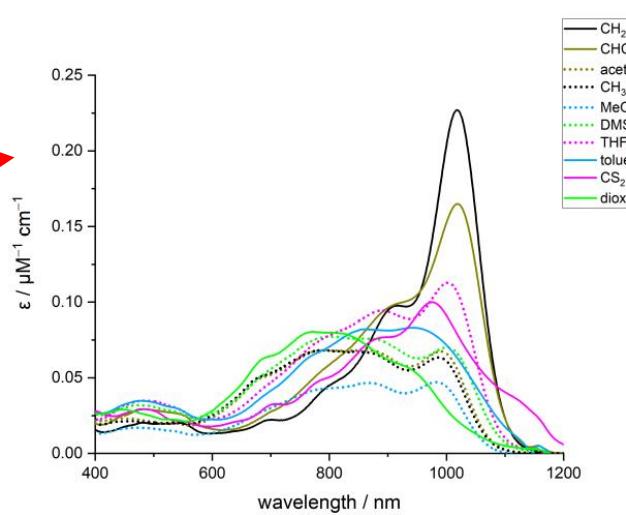
cyanine	Cy7	Cy7	Cy7	Cy9	Cy9	Cy11
X <sup>-</sup>	B(C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	Br <sup>-</sup>	B(C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	B(C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>
R factor	4.29%	6.88%	7.42%	6.52%	9.02%	6.80%
mean sd in bond lengths	±0.003	±0.011	±0.002	±0.006	±0.004	±0.009
a / Å	1.348(2)	1.363	1.3683(15)	1.351(5)	1.354(3)	1.364(8)
a' / Å	1.349(2)	1.354	1.3428(16)	1.345(4)	1.343(3)	1.346(7)
a - a' / Å	-0.001	0.009	0.0255	0.006	0.011	0.018
b / Å	1.388(3)	1.396	1.3701(17)	1.382(5)	1.366(4)	1.373(9)
b' / Å	1.383(3)	1.394	1.3978(16)	1.387(5)	1.385(3)	1.386(9)
b - b' / Å	0.005	0.002	-0.0277	-0.005	-0.019	-0.013
c / Å	1.391(3)	1.394	1.4076(17)	1.392(5)	1.399(3)	1.400(9)
c' / Å	1.392(3)	1.379	1.3843(18)	1.388(5)	1.368(3)	1.377(9)
c - c' / Å	-0.001	0.015	0.0233	-0.004	0.031	0.023
d / Å	1.391(3)	1.375	1.3777(18)	1.386(6)	1.356(4)	1.371(9)
d' / Å	1.386(3)	1.424	1.3922(18)	1.383(5)	1.392(3)	1.378(9)
d - d' / Å	0.005	-0.049	-0.0145	0.003	-0.036	-0.007
e / Å	1.388(3)	1.391	1.4033(17)	1.386(5)	1.395(3)	1.407(9)
e' / Å	1.387(3)	1.368	1.3810(18)	1.394(5)	1.371(4)	1.378(9)
e - e' / Å	0.001	0.023	0.0223	-0.008	0.024	0.029
f / Å				1.382(6)	1.360(4)	1.378(9)
f' / Å				1.383(5)	1.391(3)	1.393(9)
f - f' / Å				-0.001	-0.031	-0.015
g / Å						1.397(9)
g' / Å						1.376(9)
g - g' / Å						0.021
mean BLA / Å	0.002	0.019	0.023	0.001	0.025	0.018
BLA sd / Å	±0.003	±0.019	±0.005	±0.005	±0.009	±0.007



# Absorption Spectra

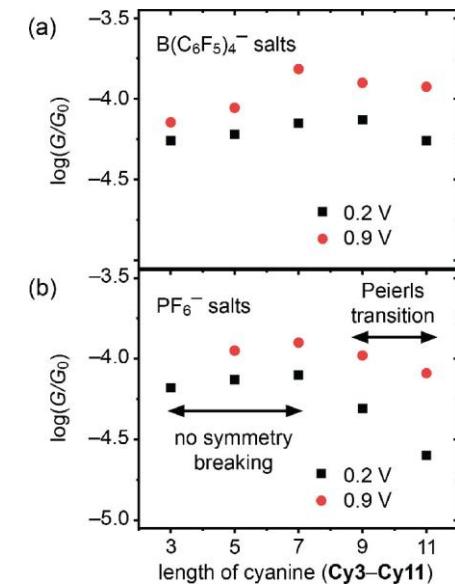
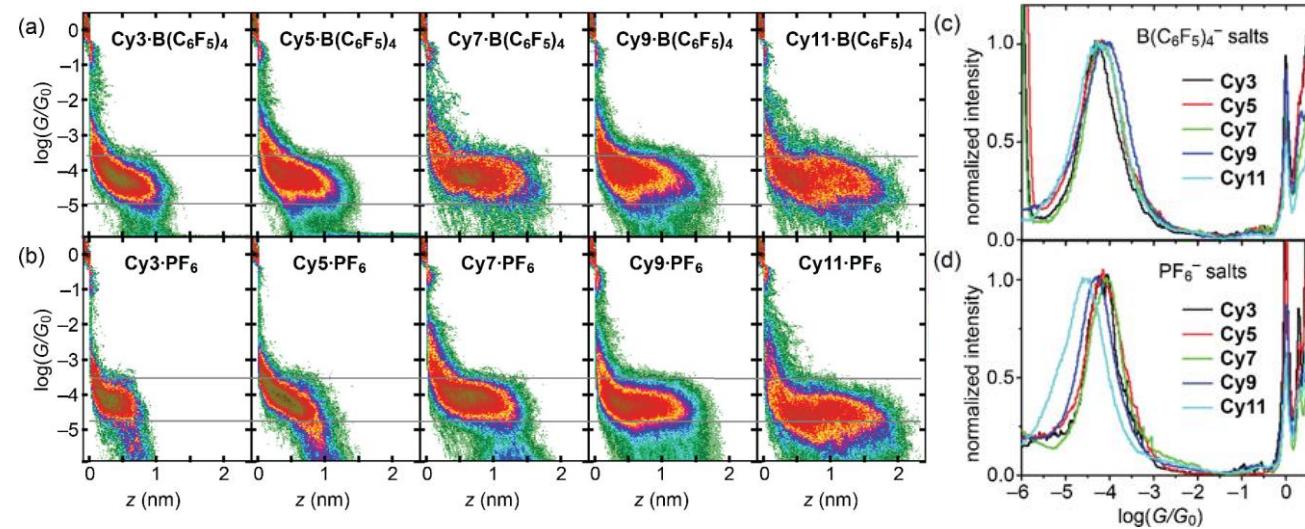


在其他极性溶剂如丙酮、甲醇和DMSO中具有类似的广谱。



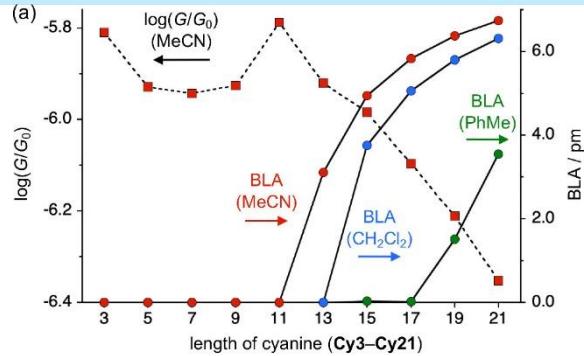
当溶剂变为二氯甲烷时，所有与极性溶剂有关的光谱变化立即恢复，证实广谱不是由于分解。

# Single-Molecular Conductance

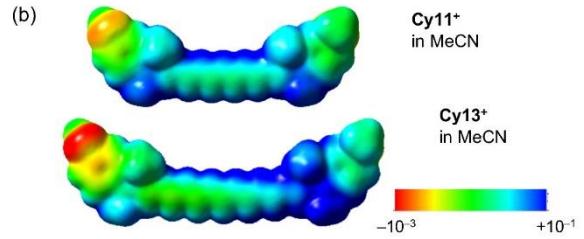


不清楚PF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup>相对于该离子对中的聚次甲基链的位置，无论处于什么位置，较小的反离子PF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup>都会使π-系统极化。除非它恰好在链两端之间的距离相等。

# Computational Modeling

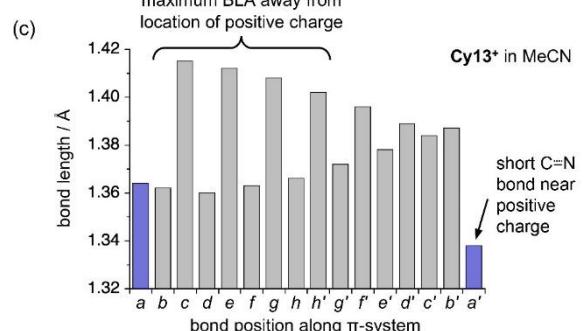


计算证实对称性破坏是由于环境极性引起的。



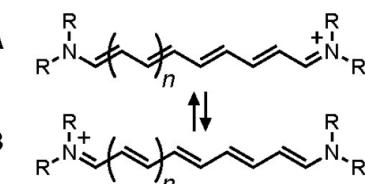
Cy11<sup>+</sup>  
in MeCN

Cy13<sup>+</sup>  
in MeCN



BHandHLYP functional (include 50% Hartree-Fock exchange)

应用变分法计算多电子体系波函数的方程。



cyanine	$\lambda_{\max}$ (nm)	$E_{\max}$ (eV)	$f$
Cy3 <sup>+</sup>	428	2.898	1.85
Cy5 <sup>+</sup>	490	2.529	2.43
Cy7 <sup>+</sup>	553	2.240	2.95
Cy9 <sup>+</sup>	616	2.014	3.44
Cy11 <sup>+</sup>	676	1.833	3.92
Cy13 <sup>+</sup>	735	1.687	4.37
Cy15 <sup>+</sup>	742	1.672	4.48
Cy17 <sup>+</sup>	736	1.685	4.56
Cy19 <sup>+</sup>	729	1.700	4.69
Cy21 <sup>+</sup>	722	1.718	4.85

