



Dalle molecole ai cristalli
molecolari: proprietà
collettive e polimorfismo –
Nuove sfide per la
diffrattometria

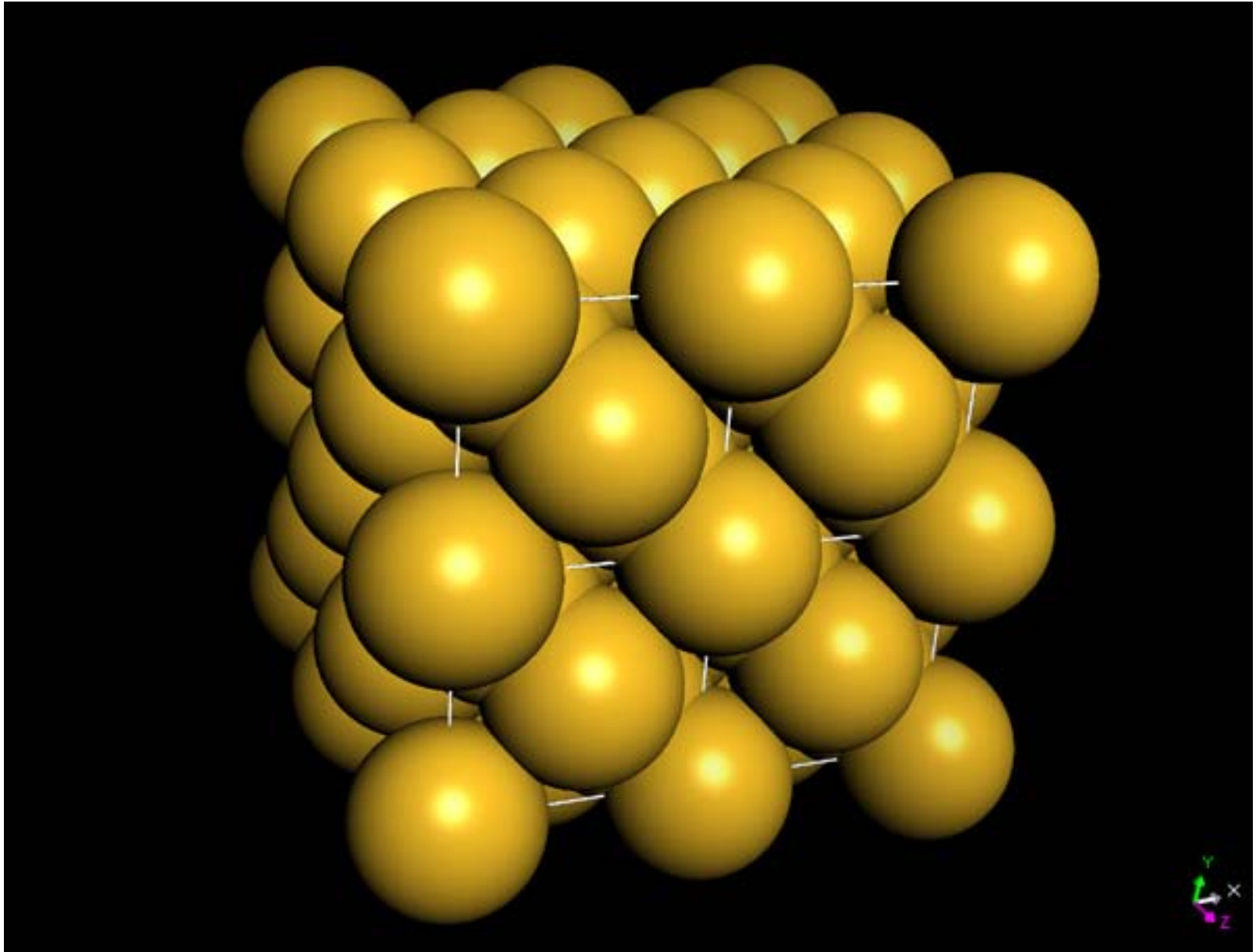
Dario Braga Modena 2005

Le tre regole di un seminario:

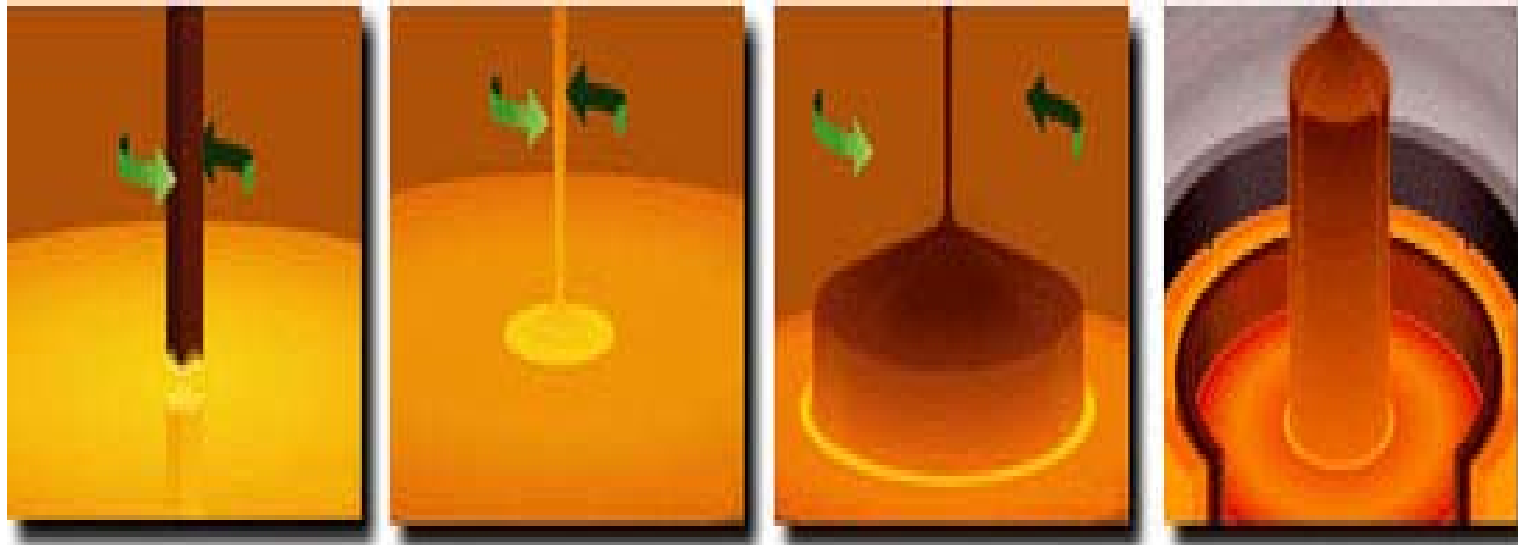
- 1. Tell them
what you want to tell them*
- 2. Tell them*
- 3. Tell them
what you told them*

1. What is a crystal? (glass, crystals, instruments)
2. What is diffraction and diffractometry (a briefing)
Some important single crystal cases
3. Crystallographic Databases
4. Crystal engineering – making crystals with a purpose
5. The Bologna's experience
6. Polymorphism: the nemesis of crystal engineering
and a big commercial issue
7. Tricky diffraction special applications

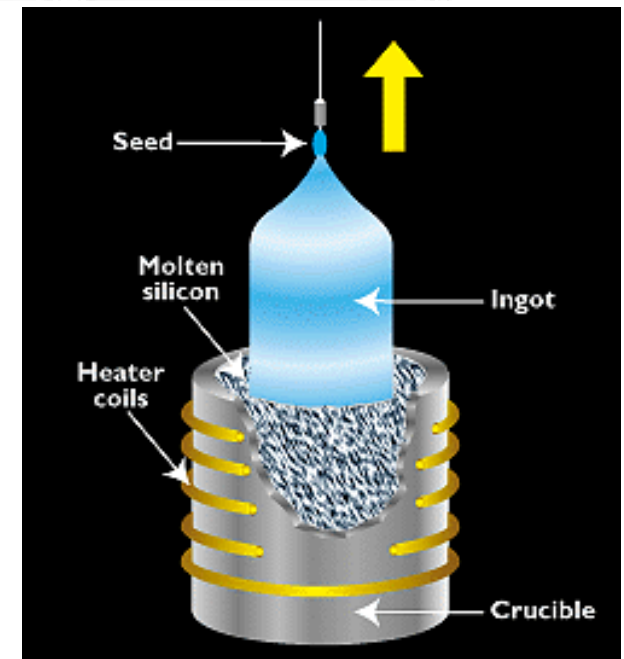
Crystalline Silicon

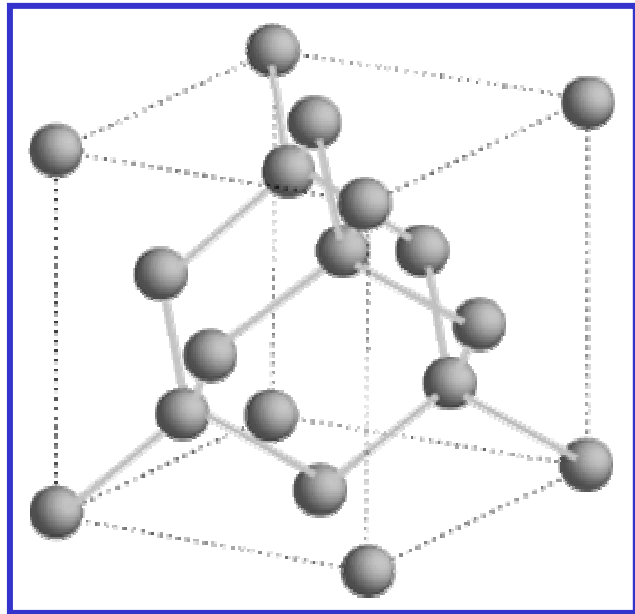


The integrated circuit technology requires SILICON SINGLE CRYSTALS

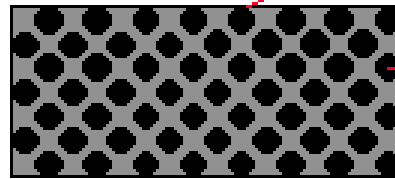


- The Czochralski Process is a Technique in Making Single-Crystal Silicon
- A Solid Seed Crystal is Rotated and Slowly Extracted from a Pool of Molten Si



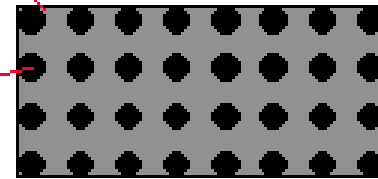


Wafer Surface



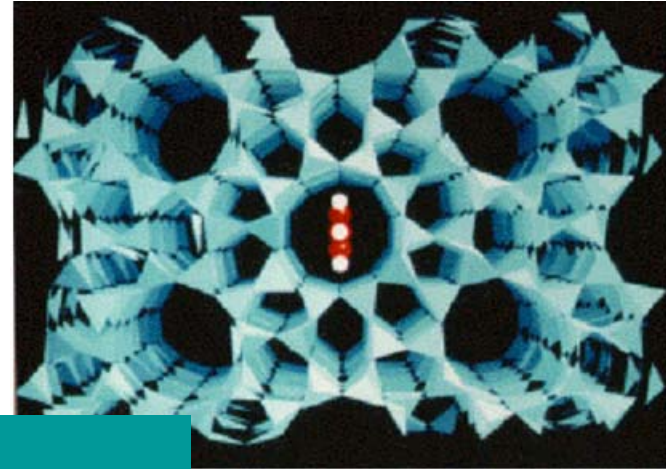
100 Orientation

Silicon Atom

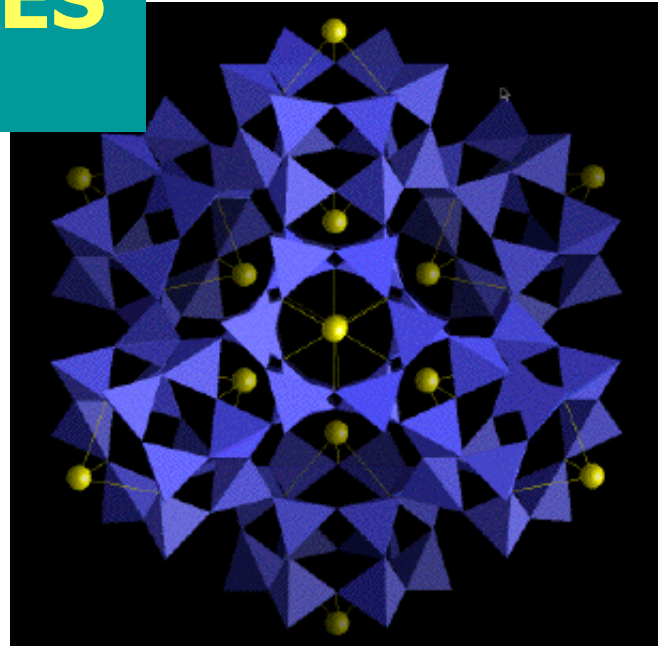
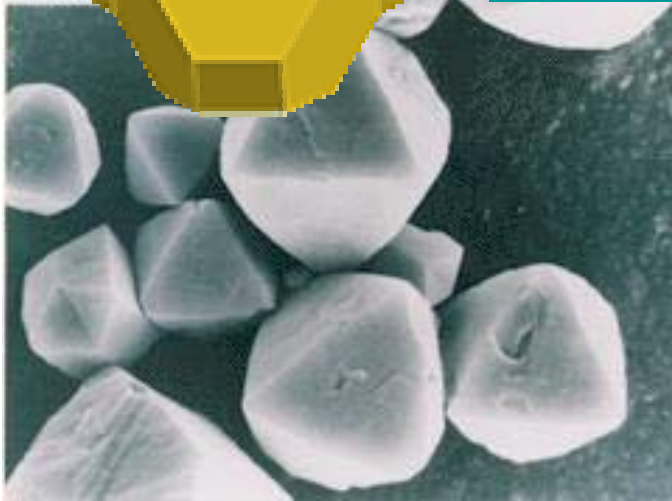


111 Orientation



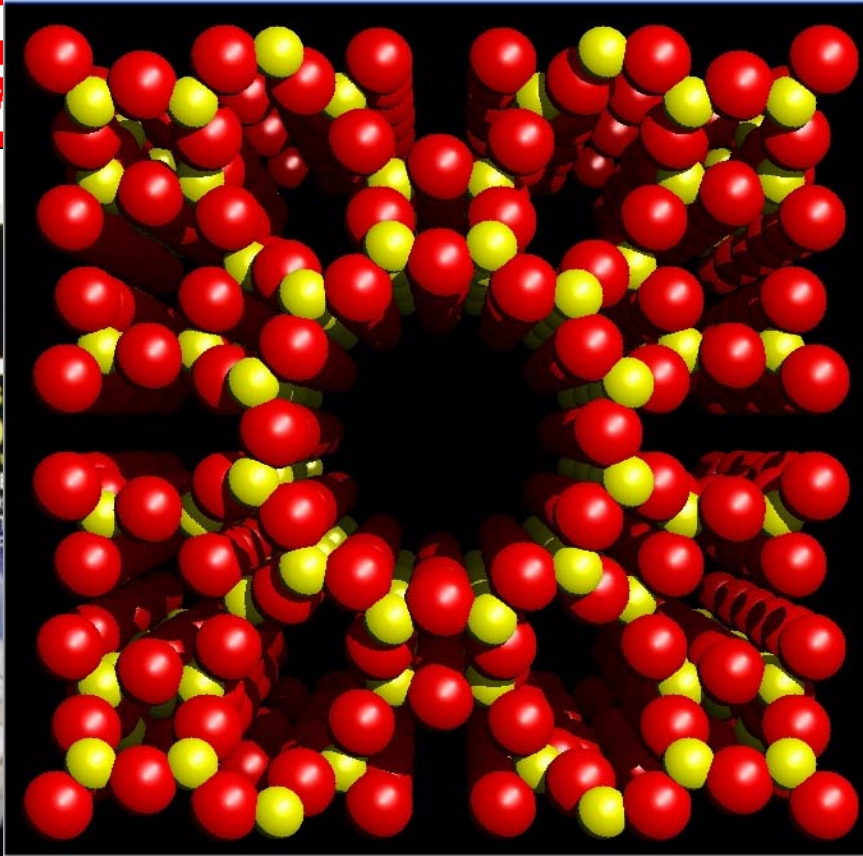


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aragonite

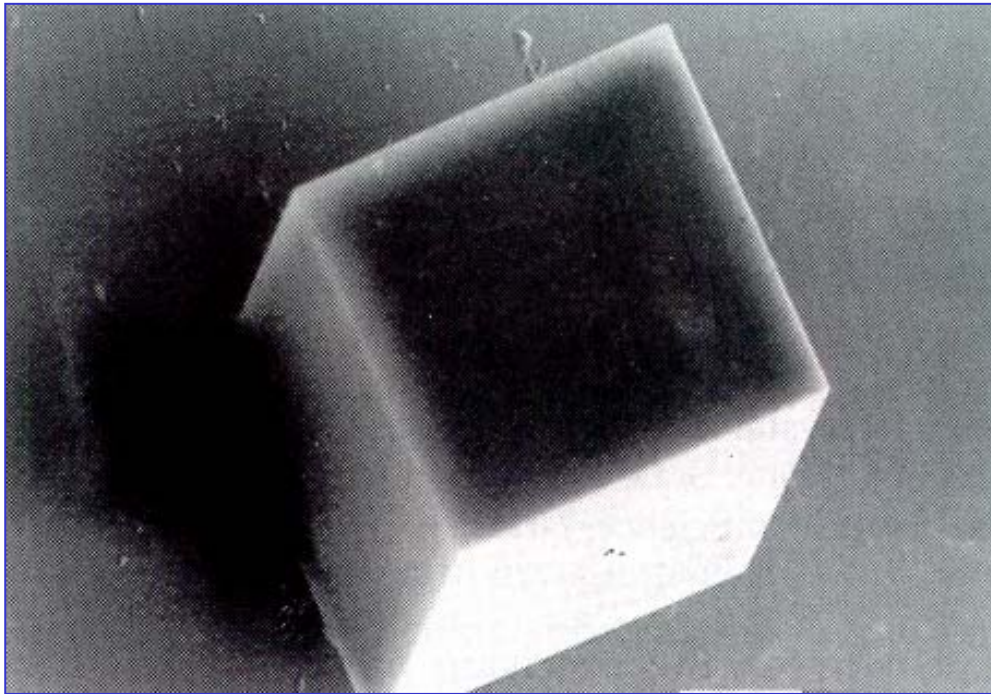
Calcium Carbonate



calcite

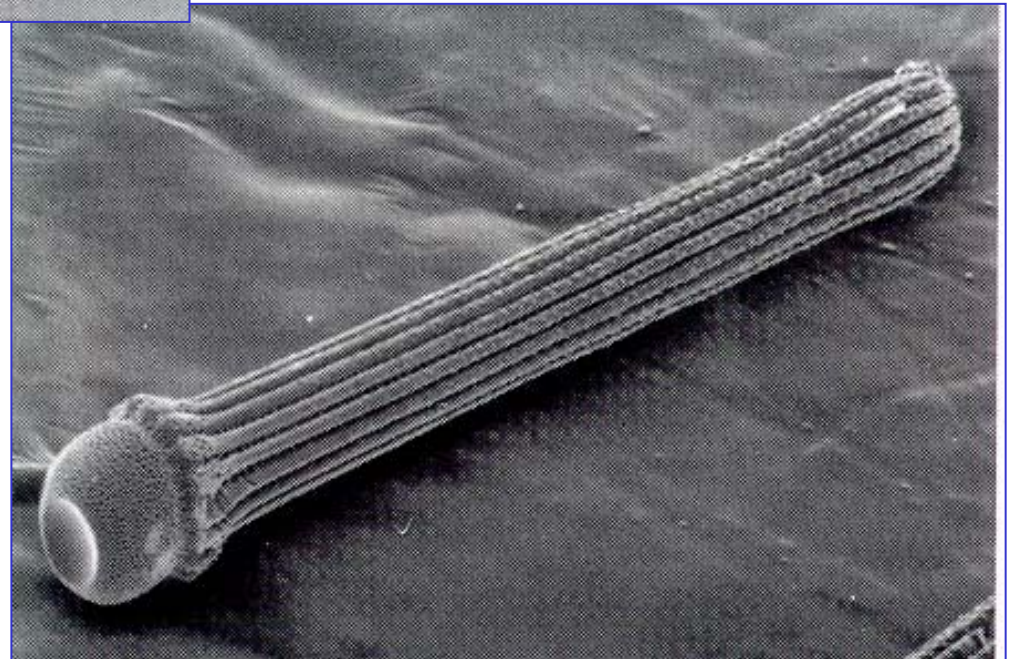


CaCO_3
biogenic aragonite



CaCO_3
Laboratory
calcite

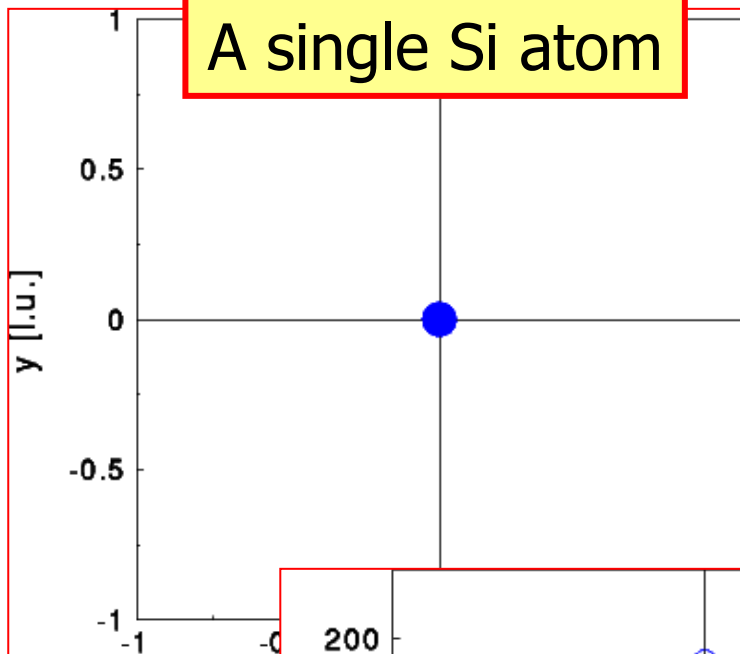
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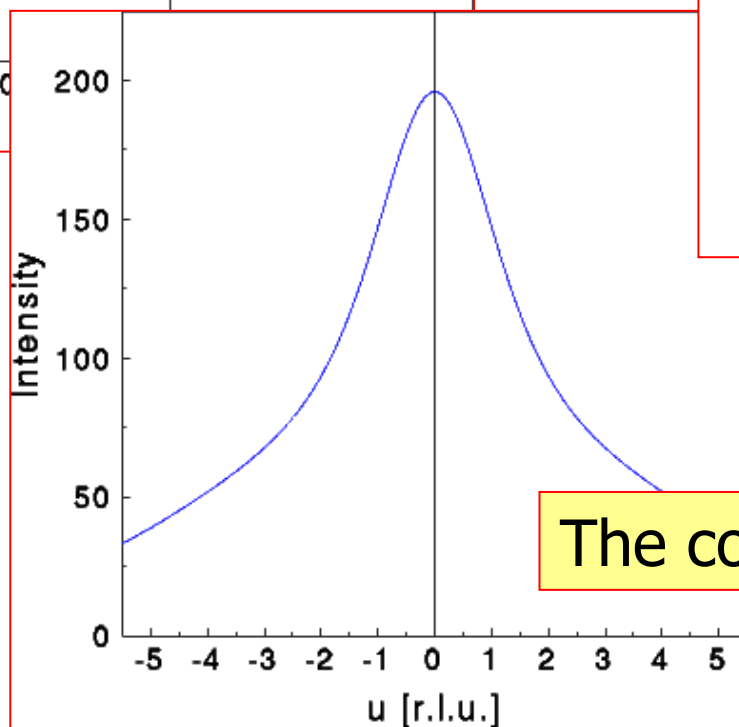
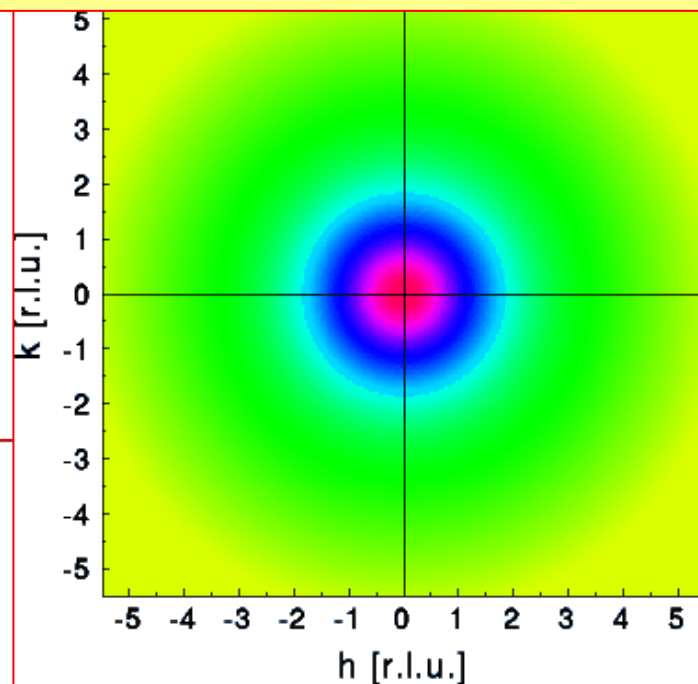


Diffraction and diffractometers a brief tutorial

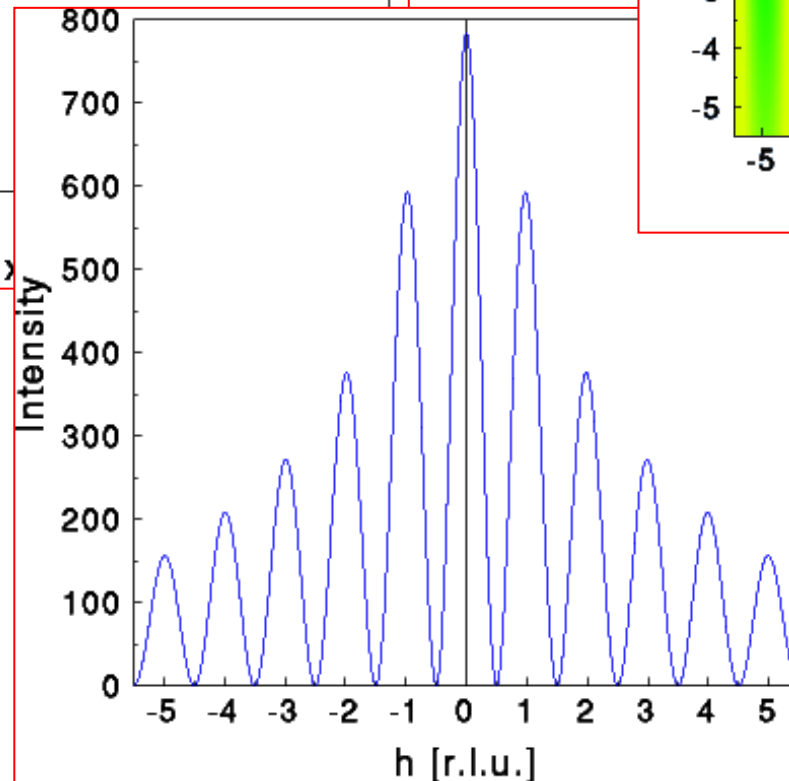
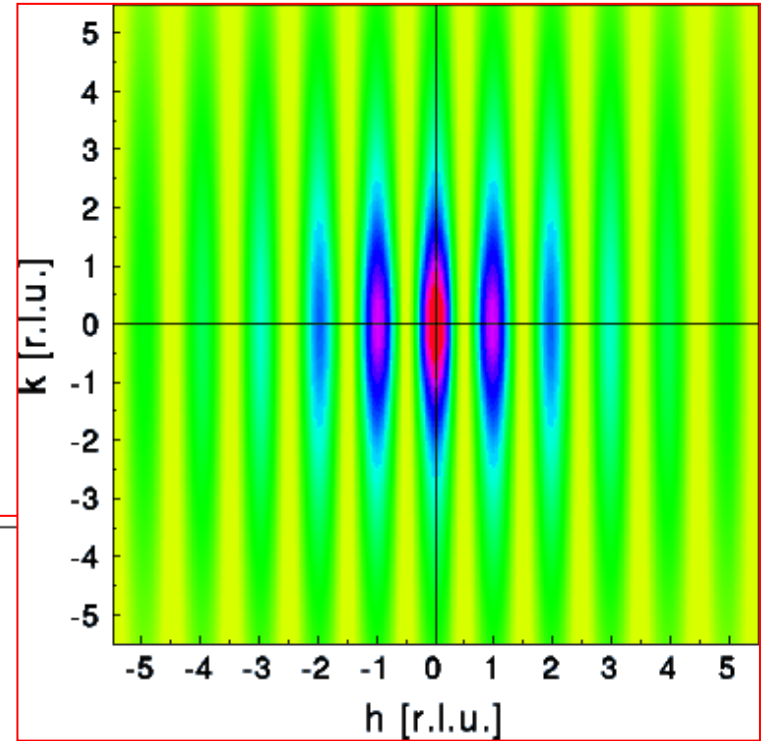
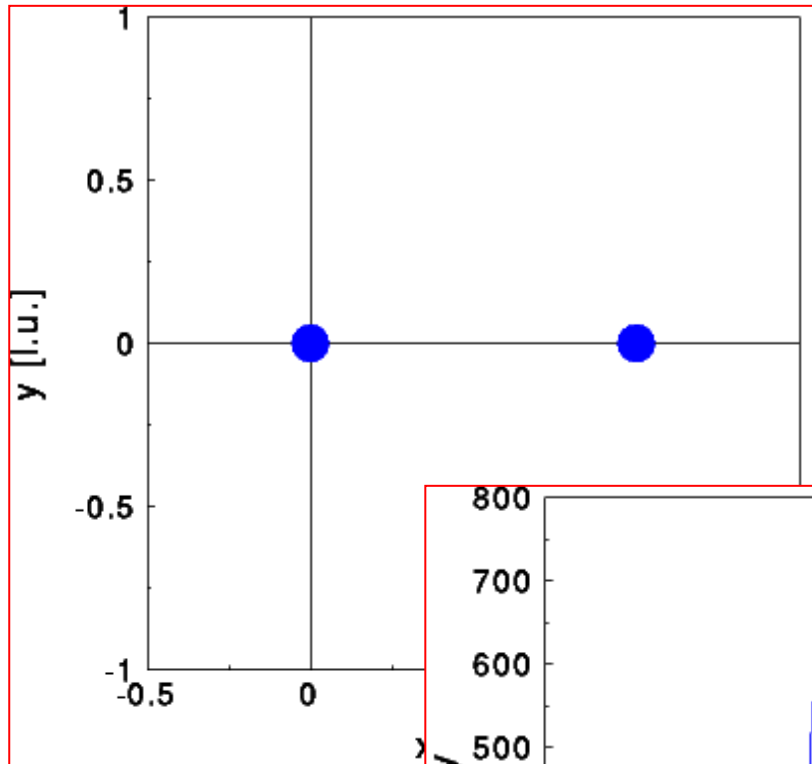
A single Si atom



and 2D Fourier transform

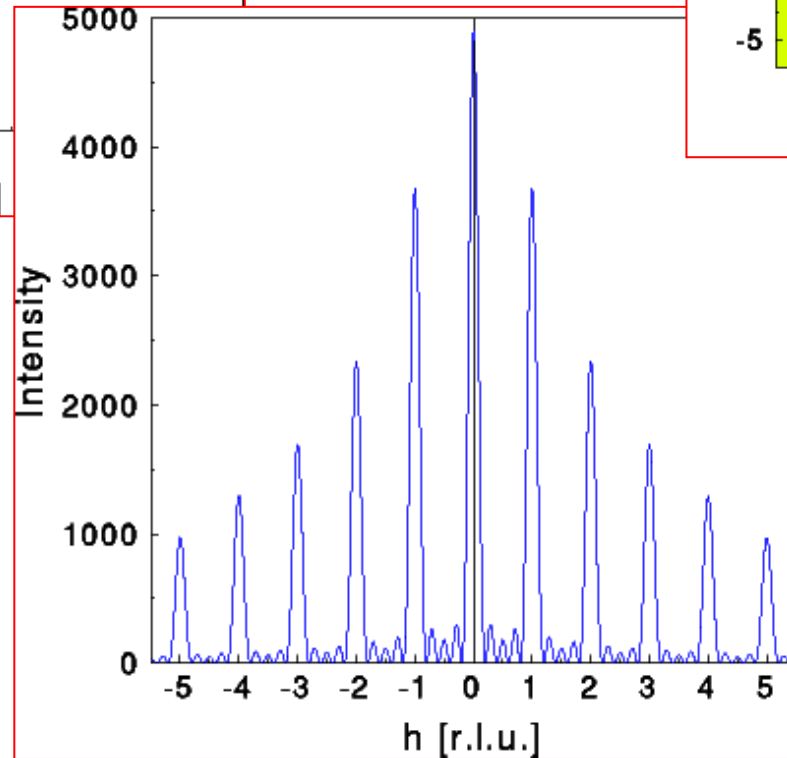
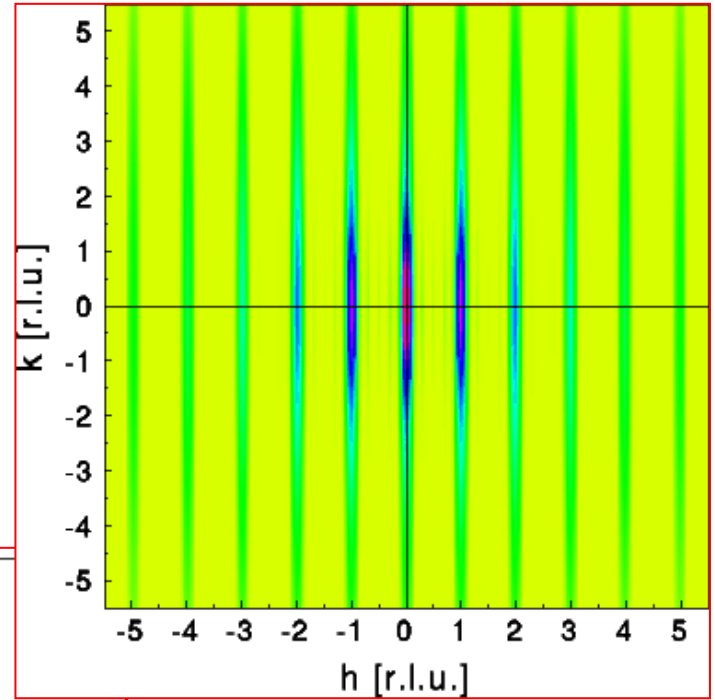
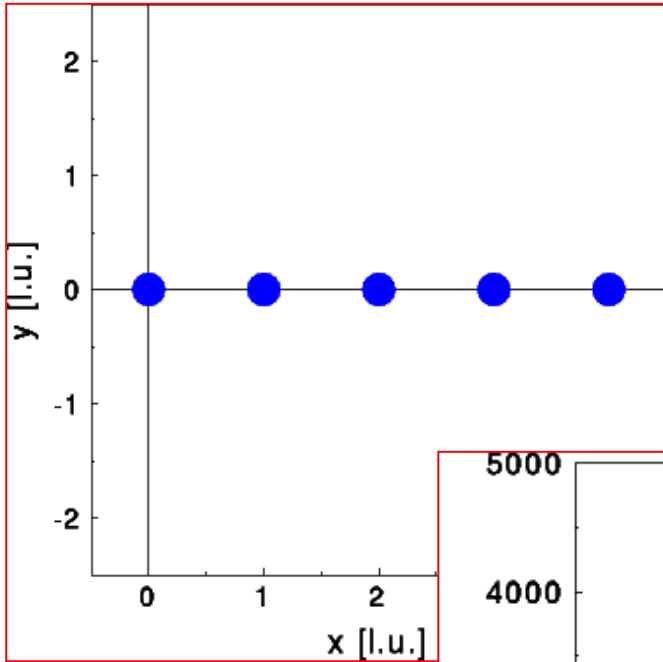


The corresponding 1D

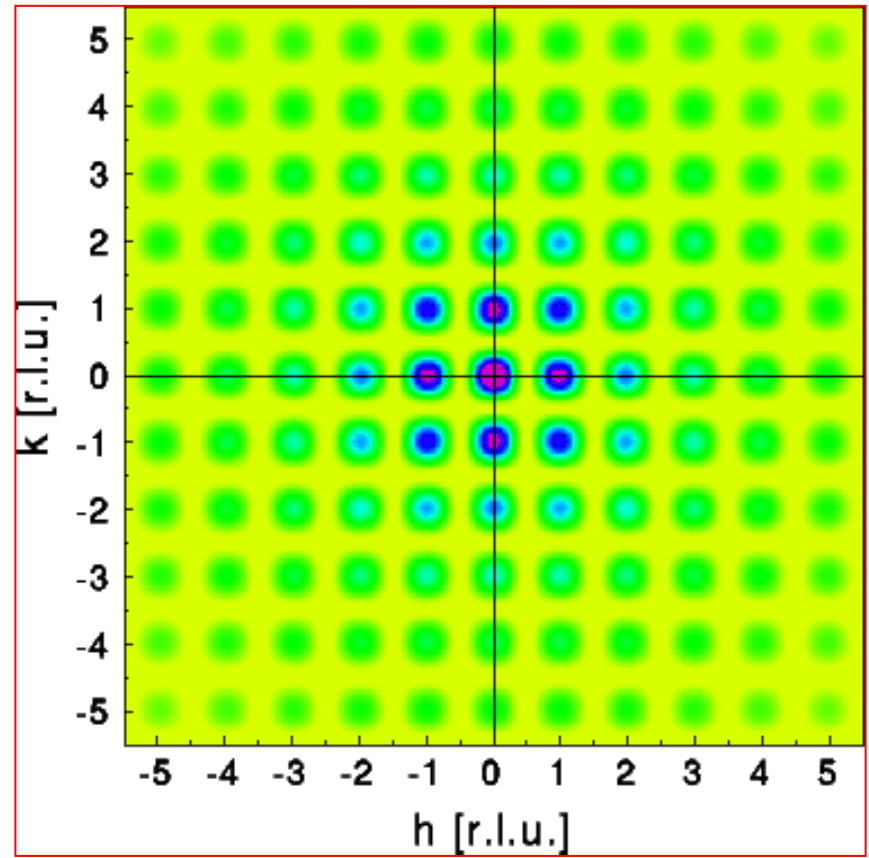
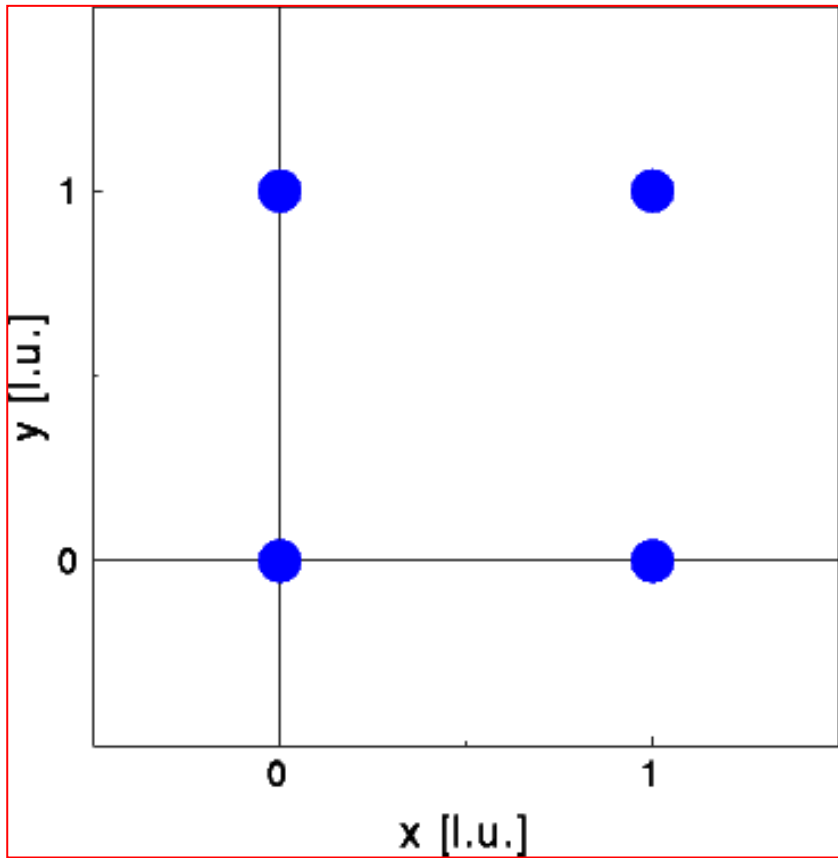


A pair of atoms

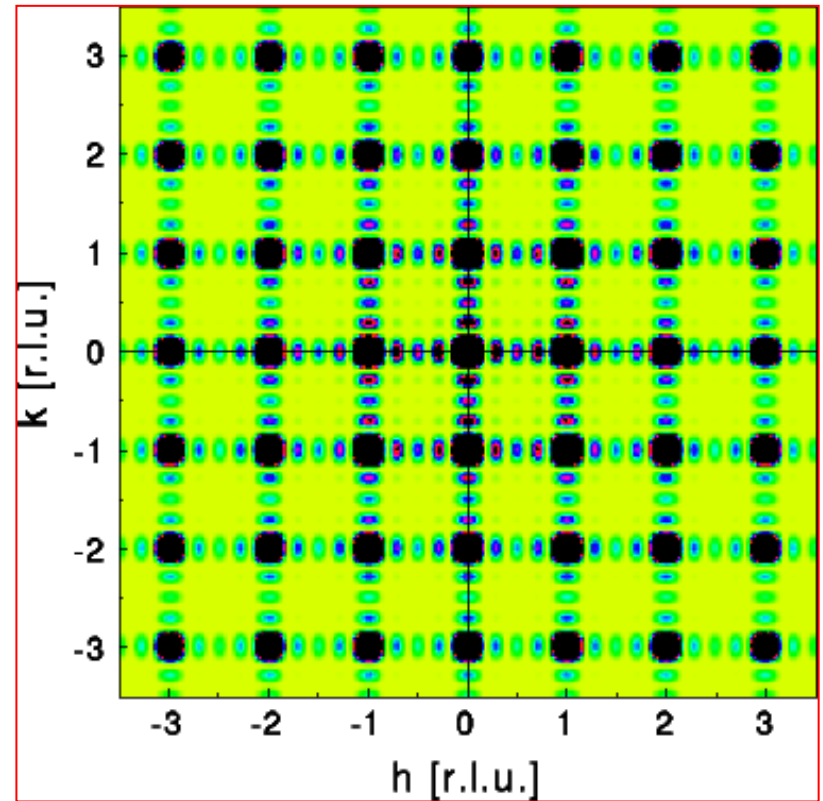
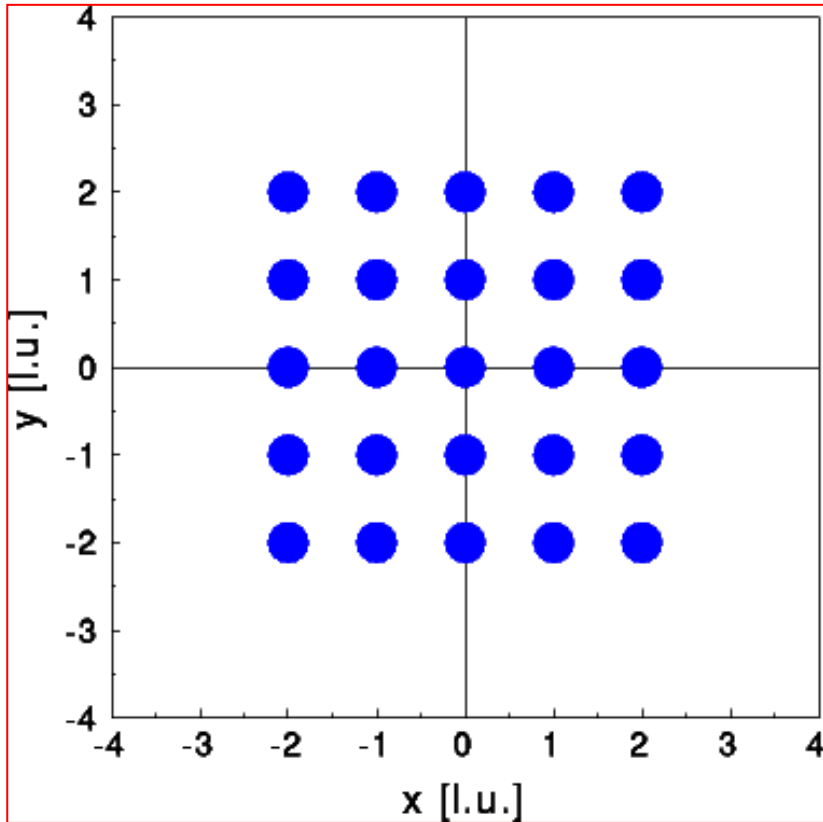
1D crystal



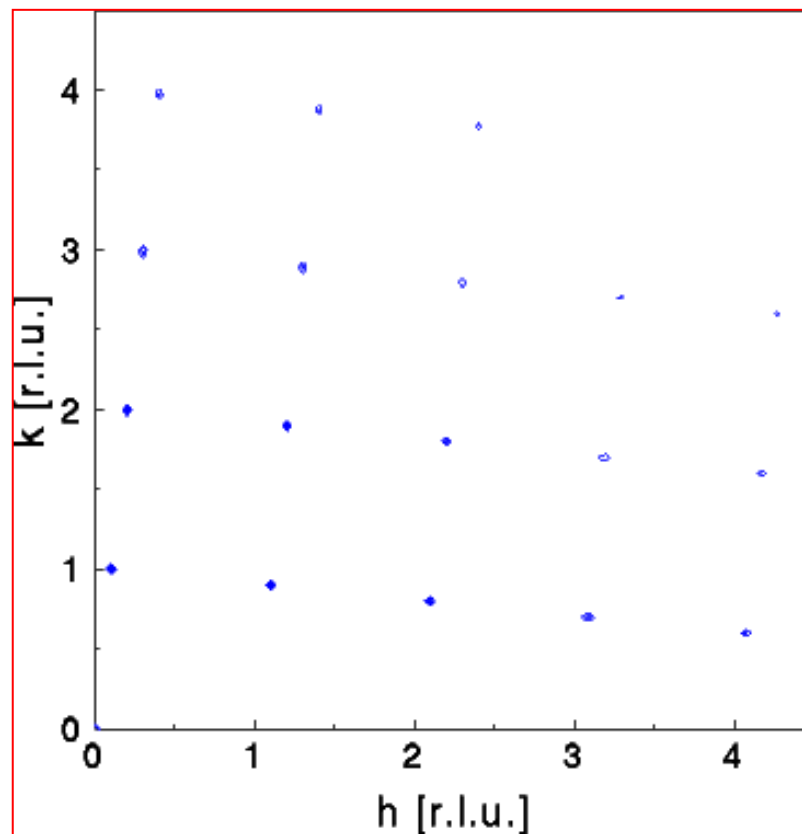
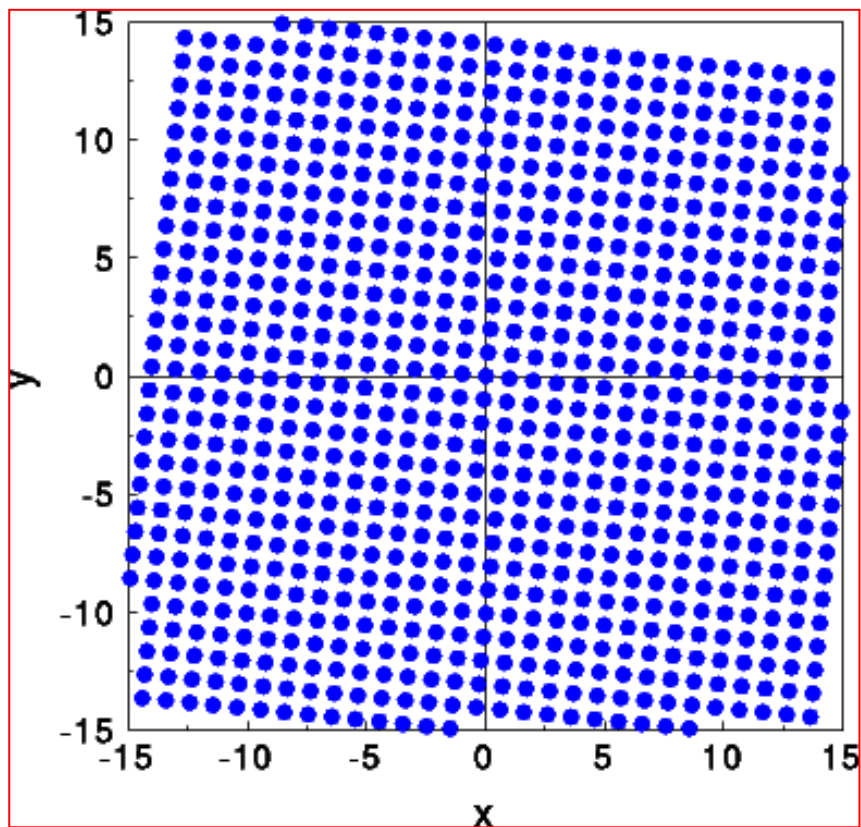
A bidimensional crystal



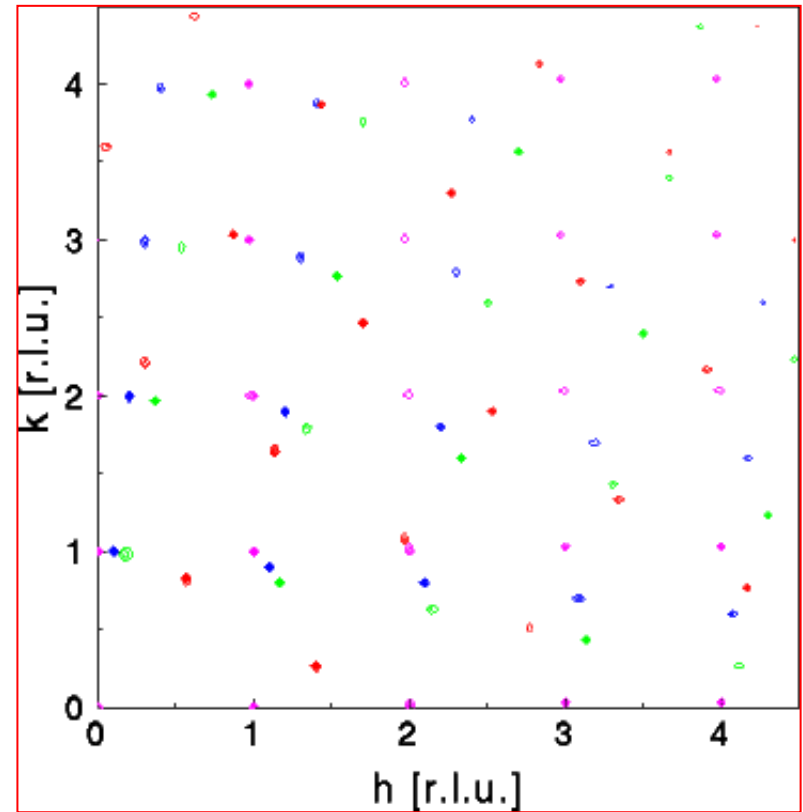
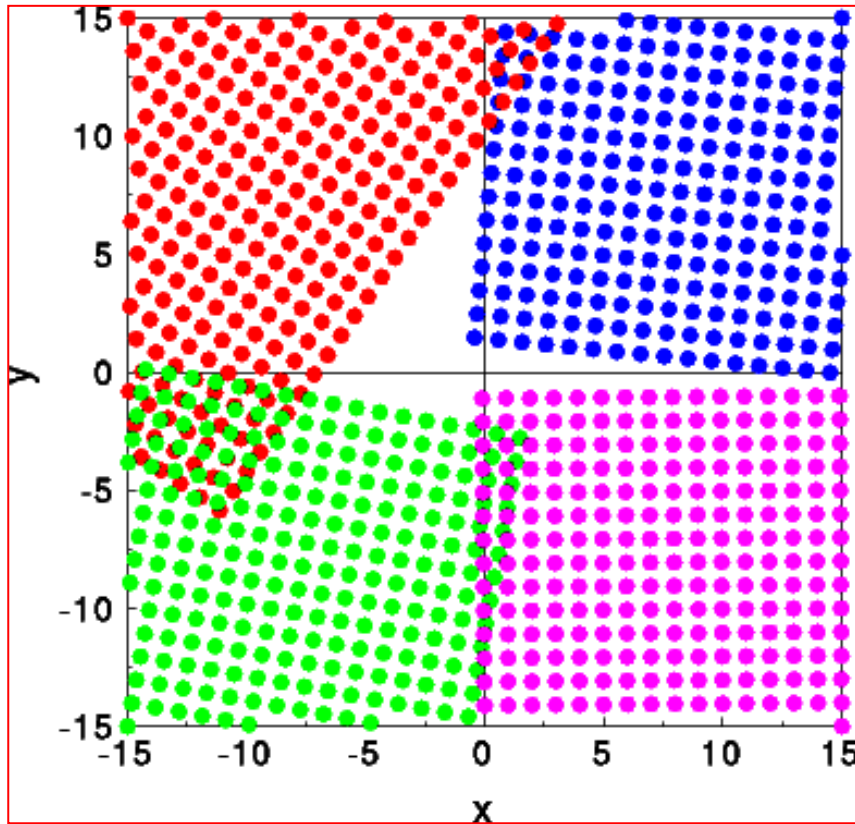
Finite crystal, limited by a square box



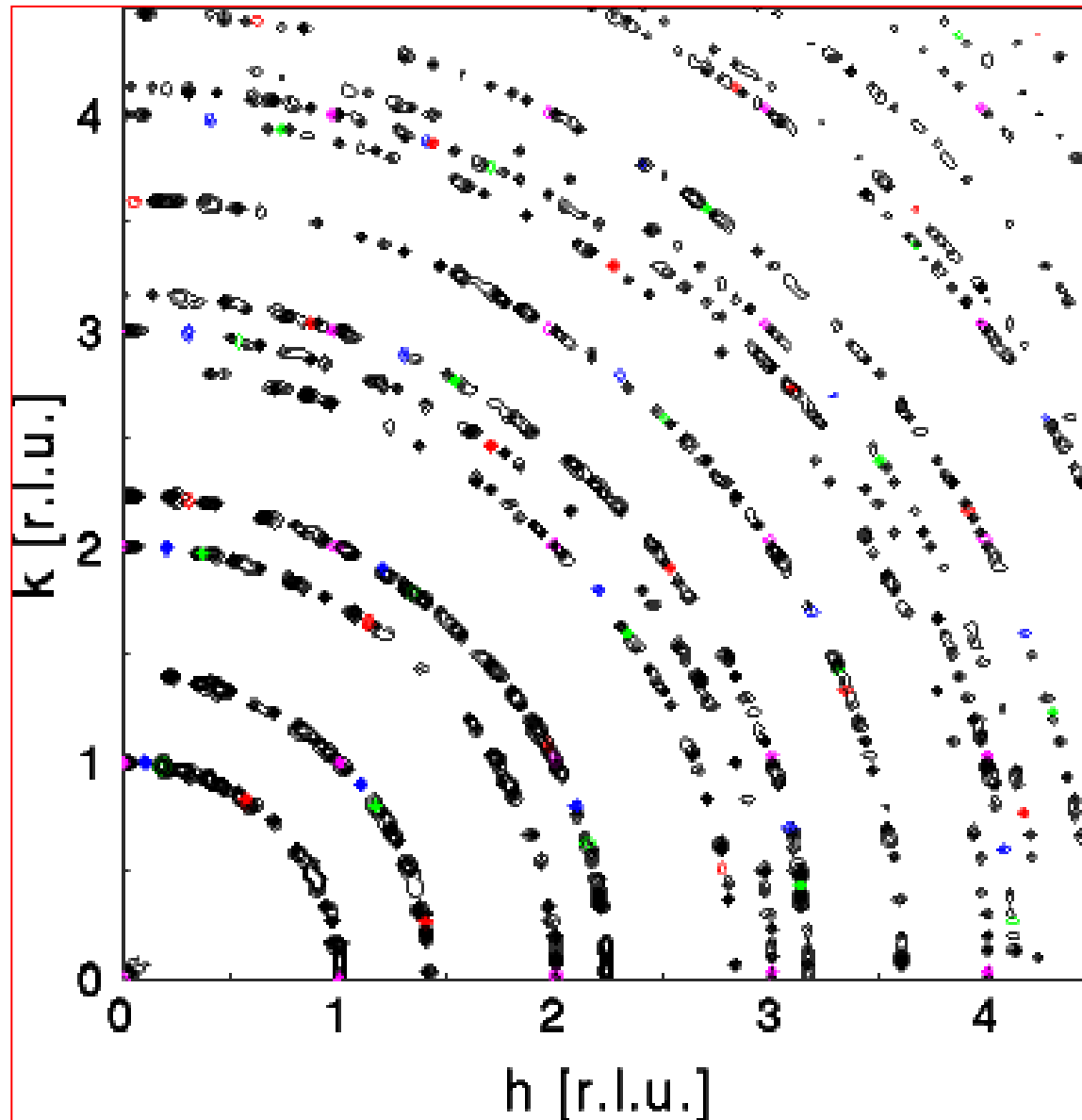
A single crystal at random orientation (i.e. rotated by a random angle) and its corresponding diffraction pattern



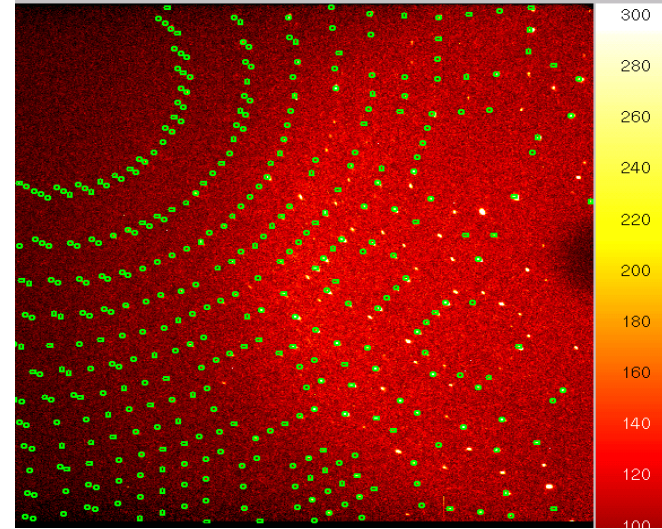
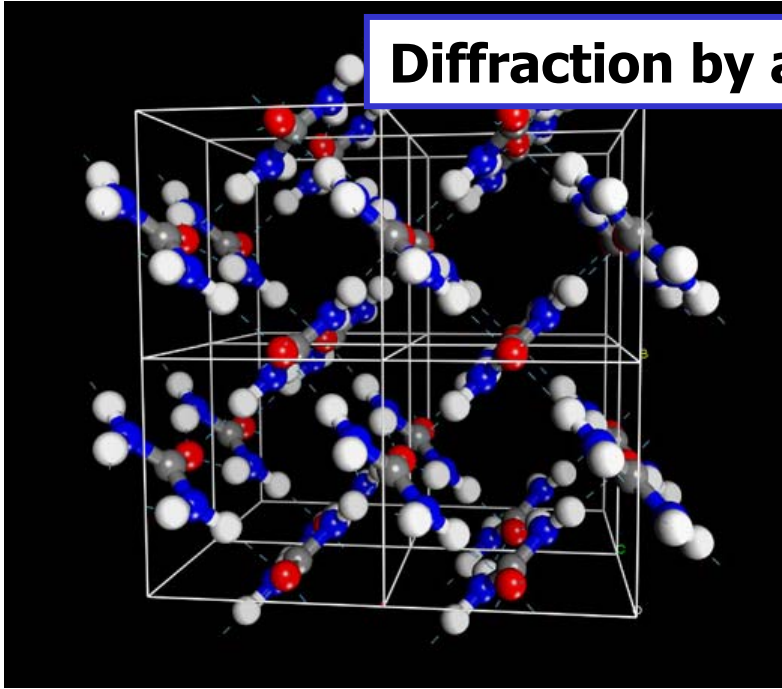
A "powder" composed of 4 single crystals in random Orientation and the corresponding diffraction pattern (same colours as the crystals)



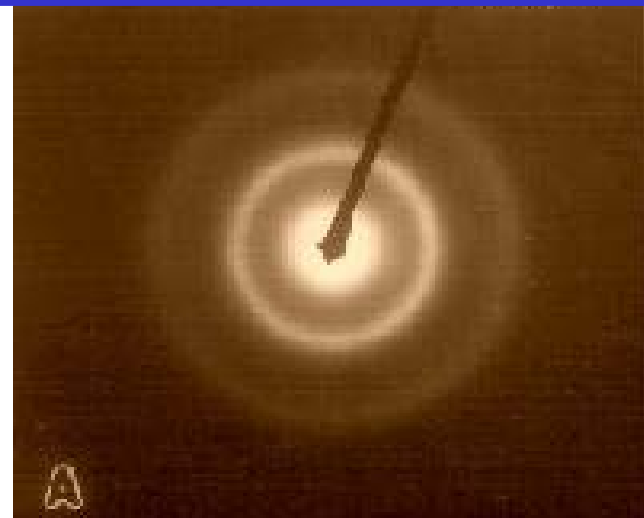
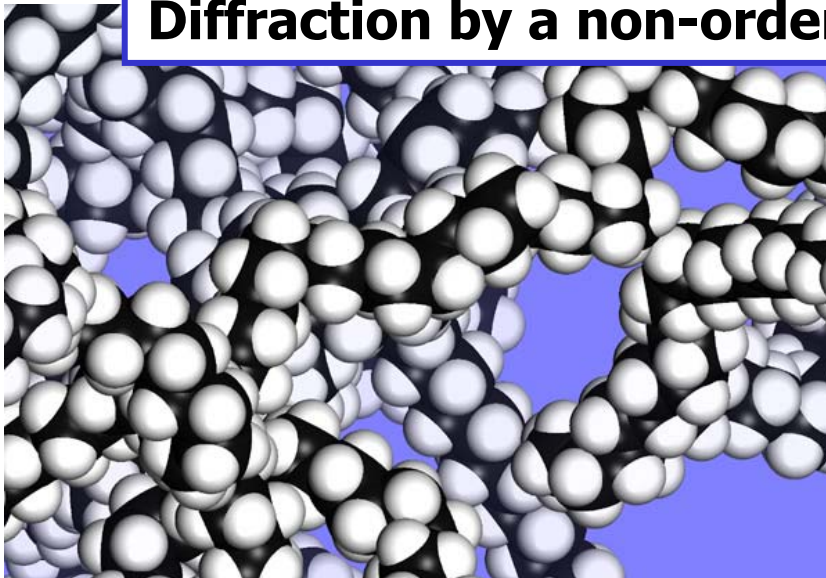
Diffraction pattern of *40* single crystals



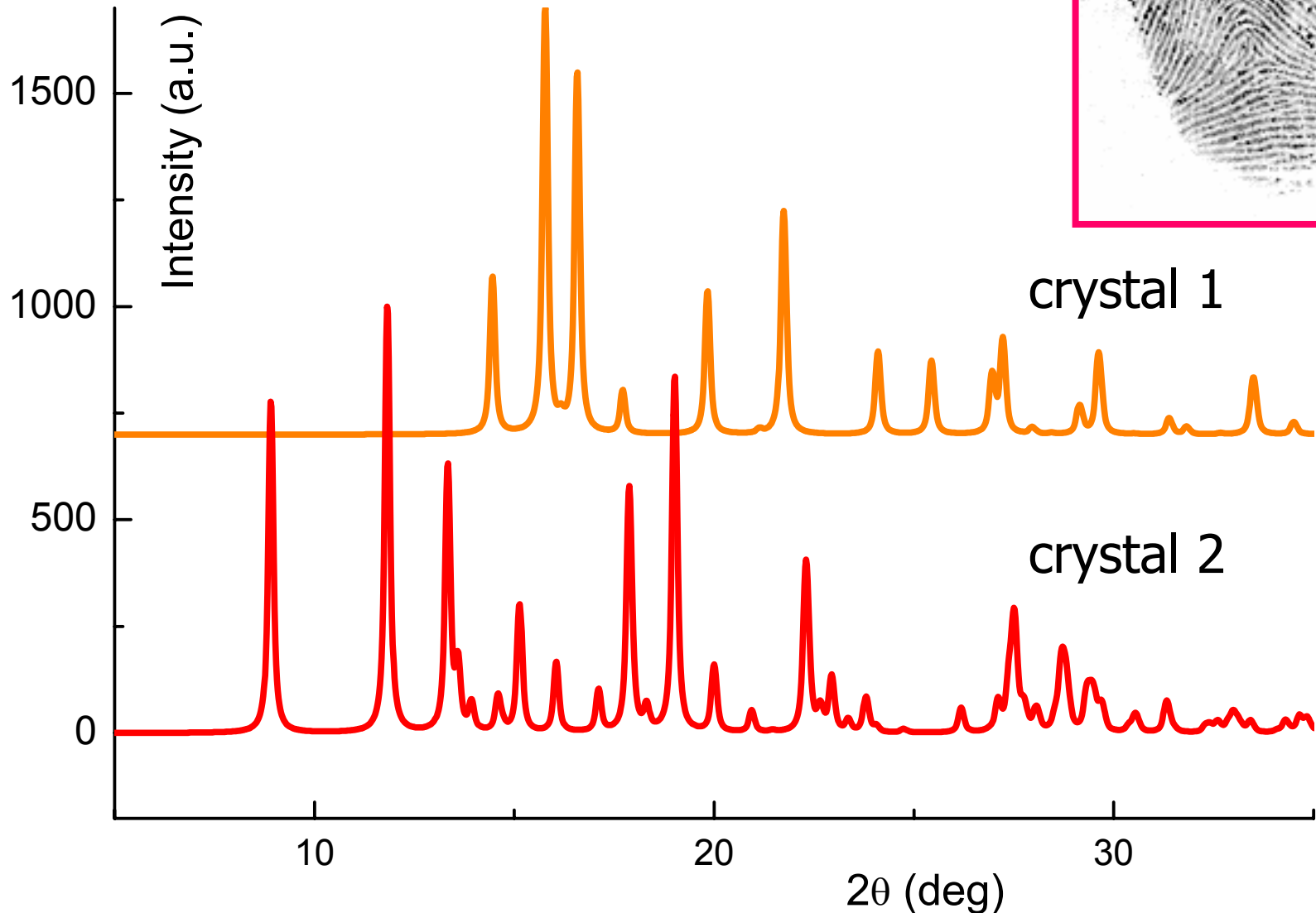
Diffraction by an ordered material, a crystal

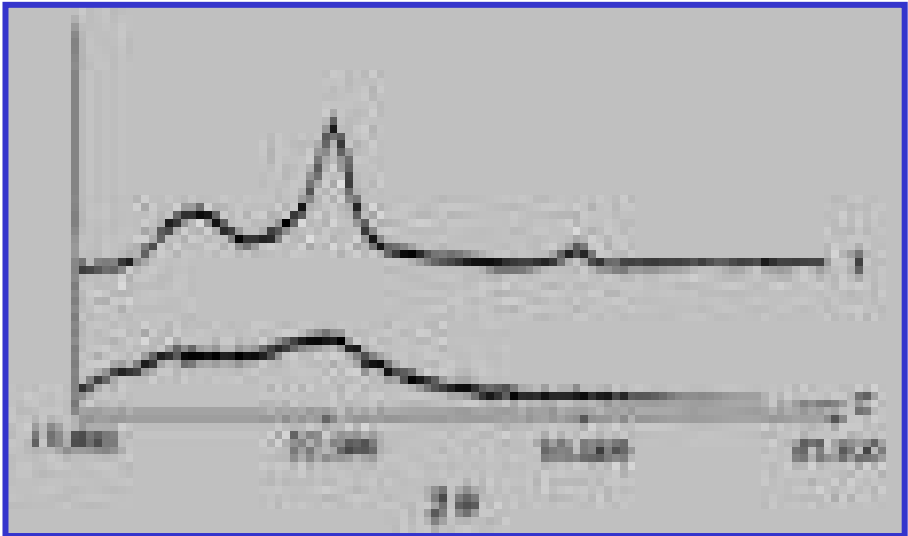
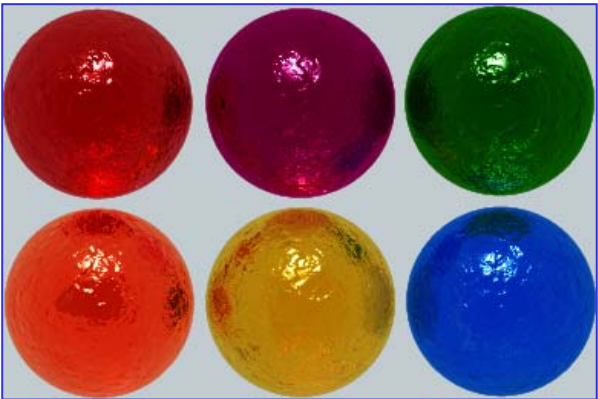
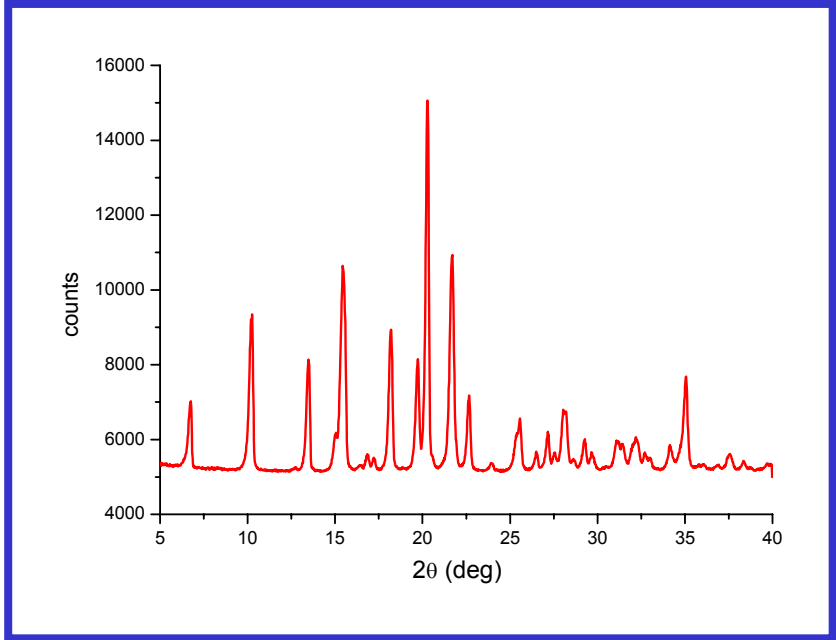
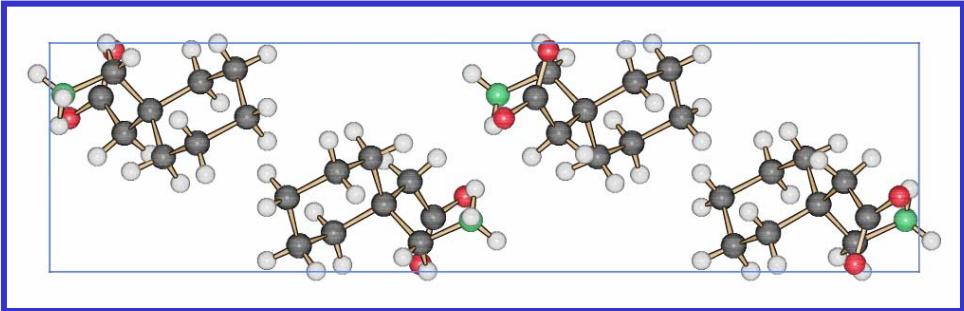


Diffraction by a non-ordered material, an amorphous

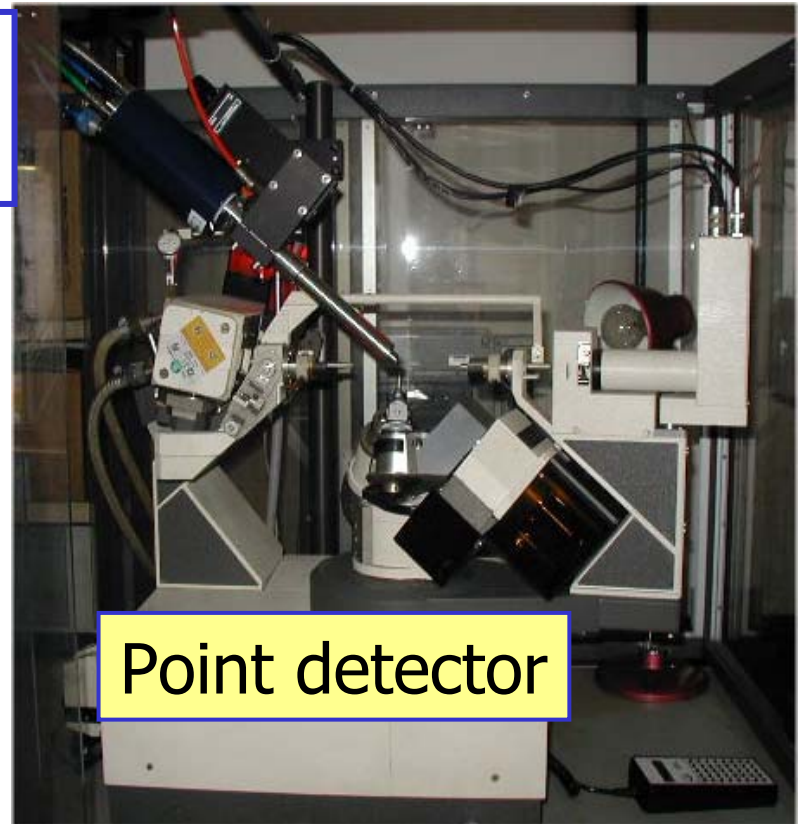


Powder diffraction pattern
=
fingerprint





An average data collection takes 4-5 days



An average data collection takes ca.12-24 hours

Banche Dati Cristallografiche

Cambridge Structural Database <http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk>

circa 300 000 strutture di cristalli molecolari e ionici contenenti molecole organiche e complessi di coordinazione ed organometallici

Protein Data Bank <http://www.rcsb.org/pdb/>

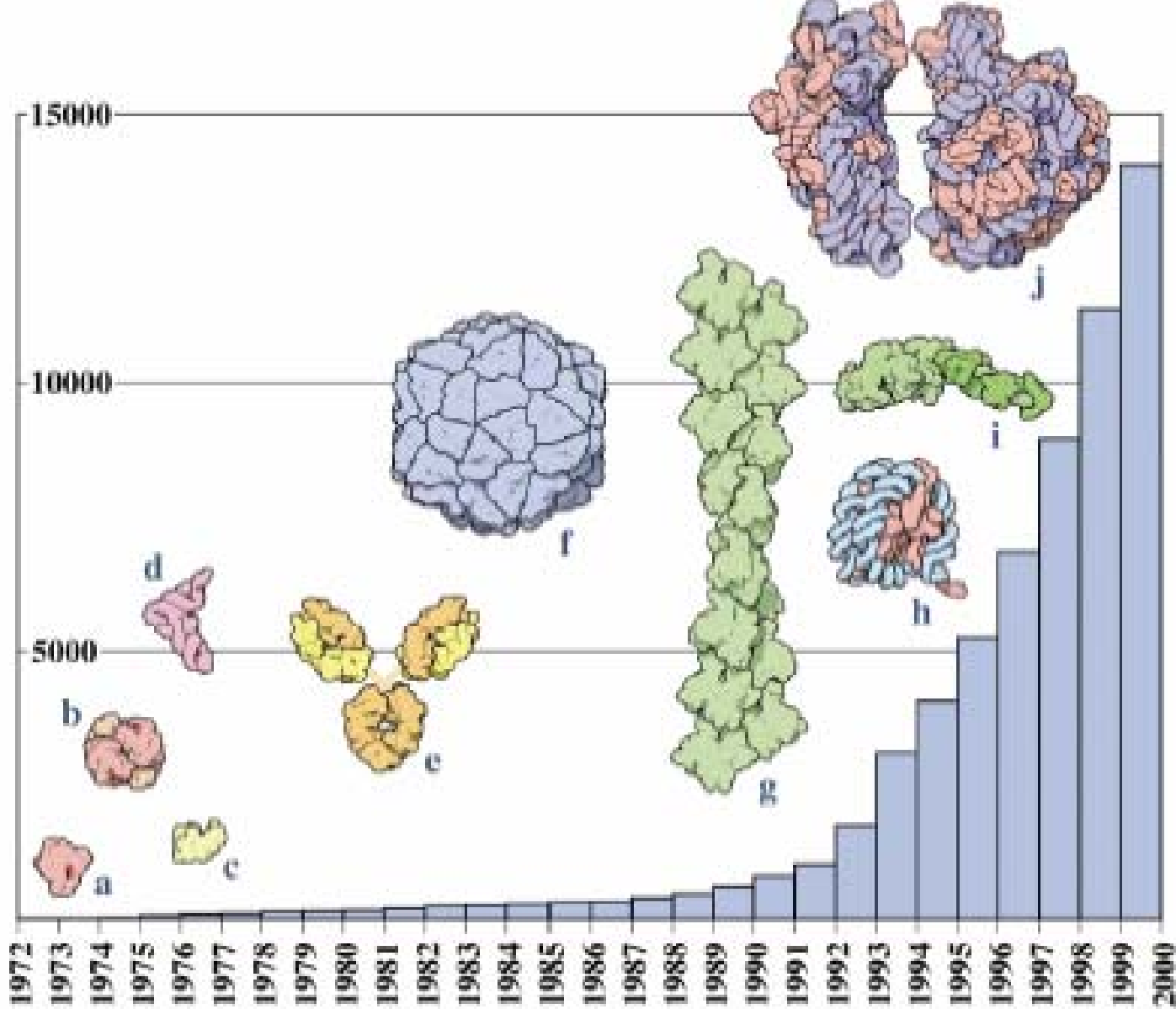
circa 20 000 strutture di proteine, acidi nucleici, virus e carboidrati

Inorganic Crystal Structure Database <http://icsd.fiz-karlsruhe.de>

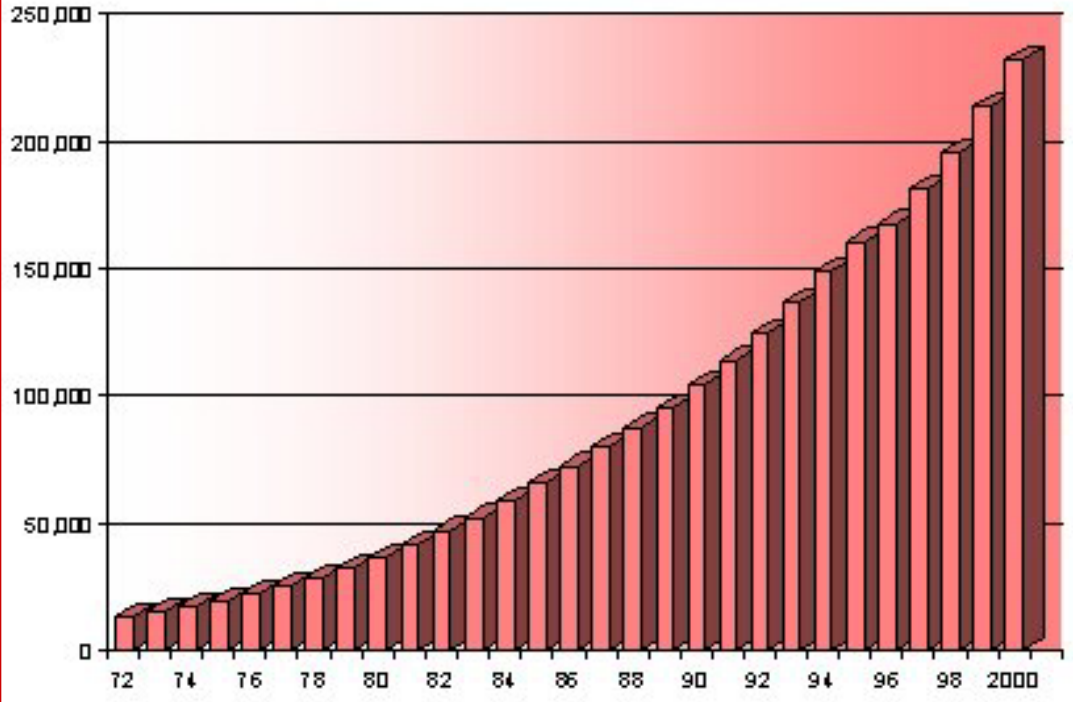
ca. 80 000 strutture i composti inorganici, ceramici, minerali, elementi puri, pubblicati dal 1915 in avanti

Powder Diffraction Files <http://www.icdd.com>

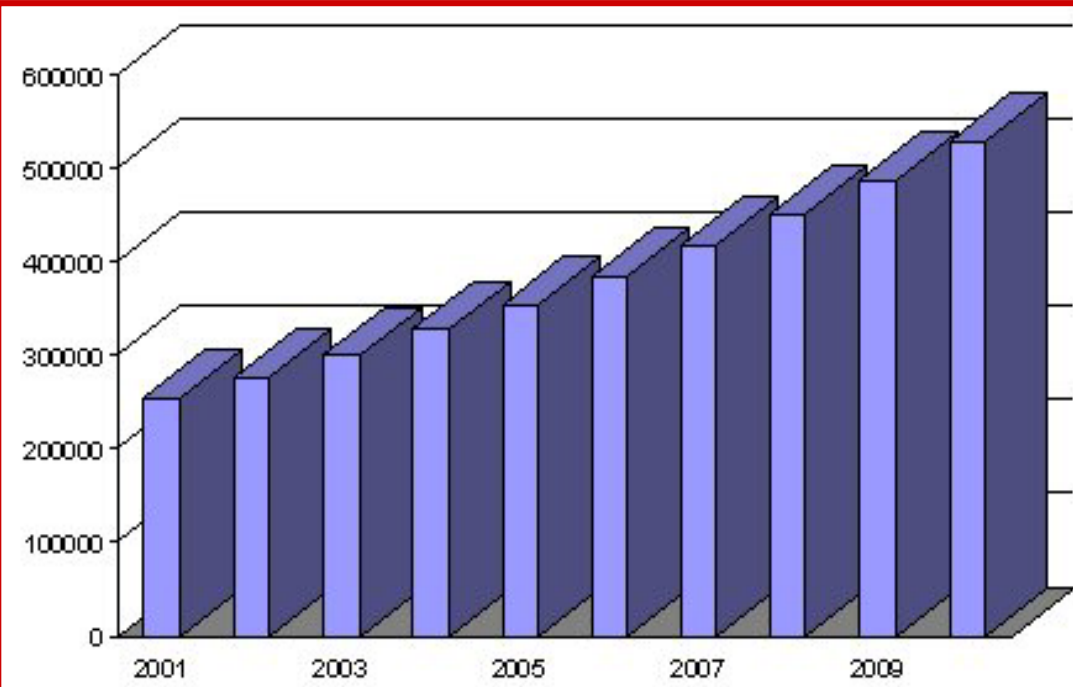
272 000 set di dati di diffrazione di polveri



La PDB Protein Data Bank contiene circa 20000 strutture di proteine, acidi nucleici, virus, e carboidrati determinate sperimentalmente mediante diffrazione di raggi-X o NMR.

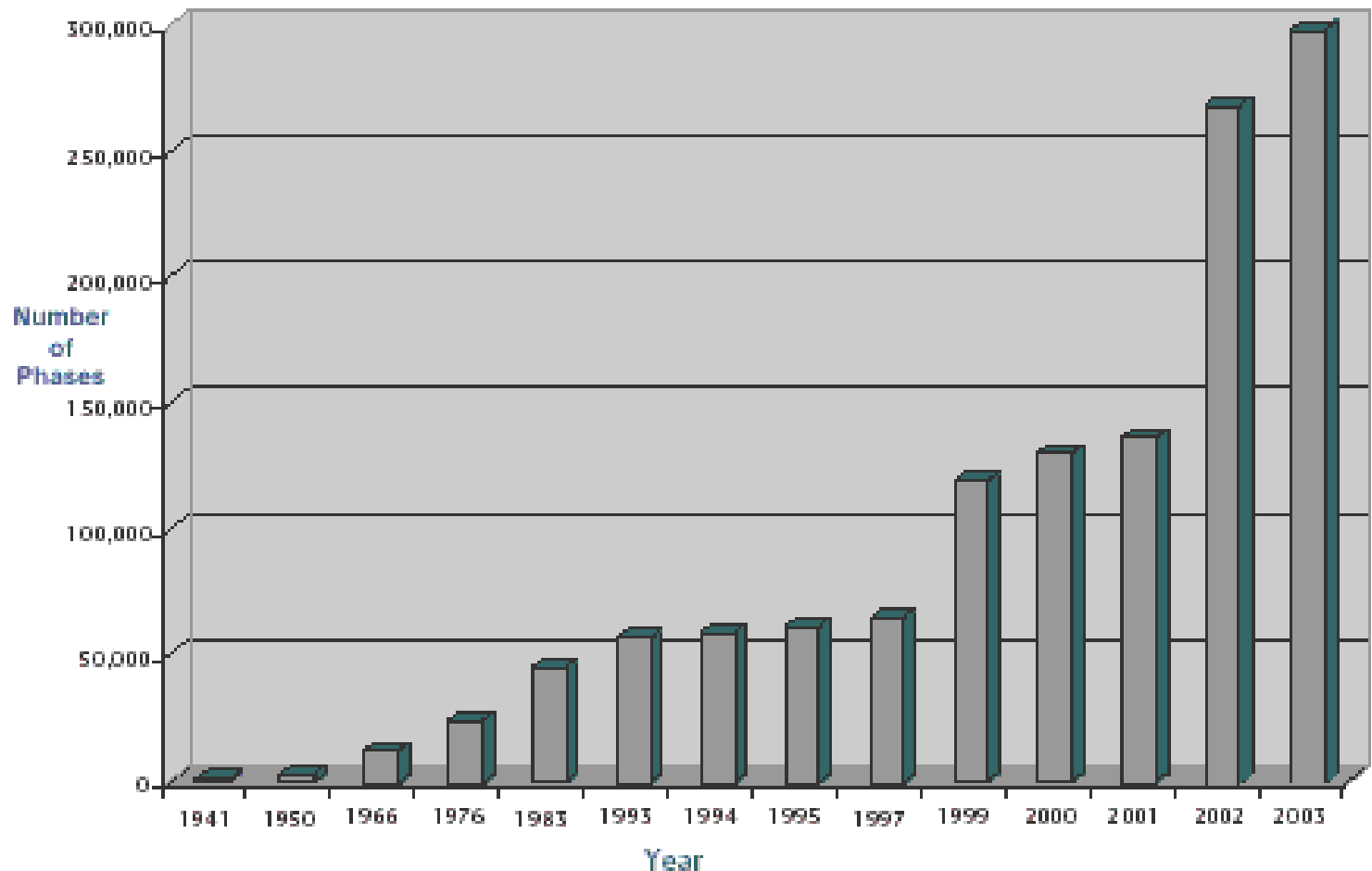


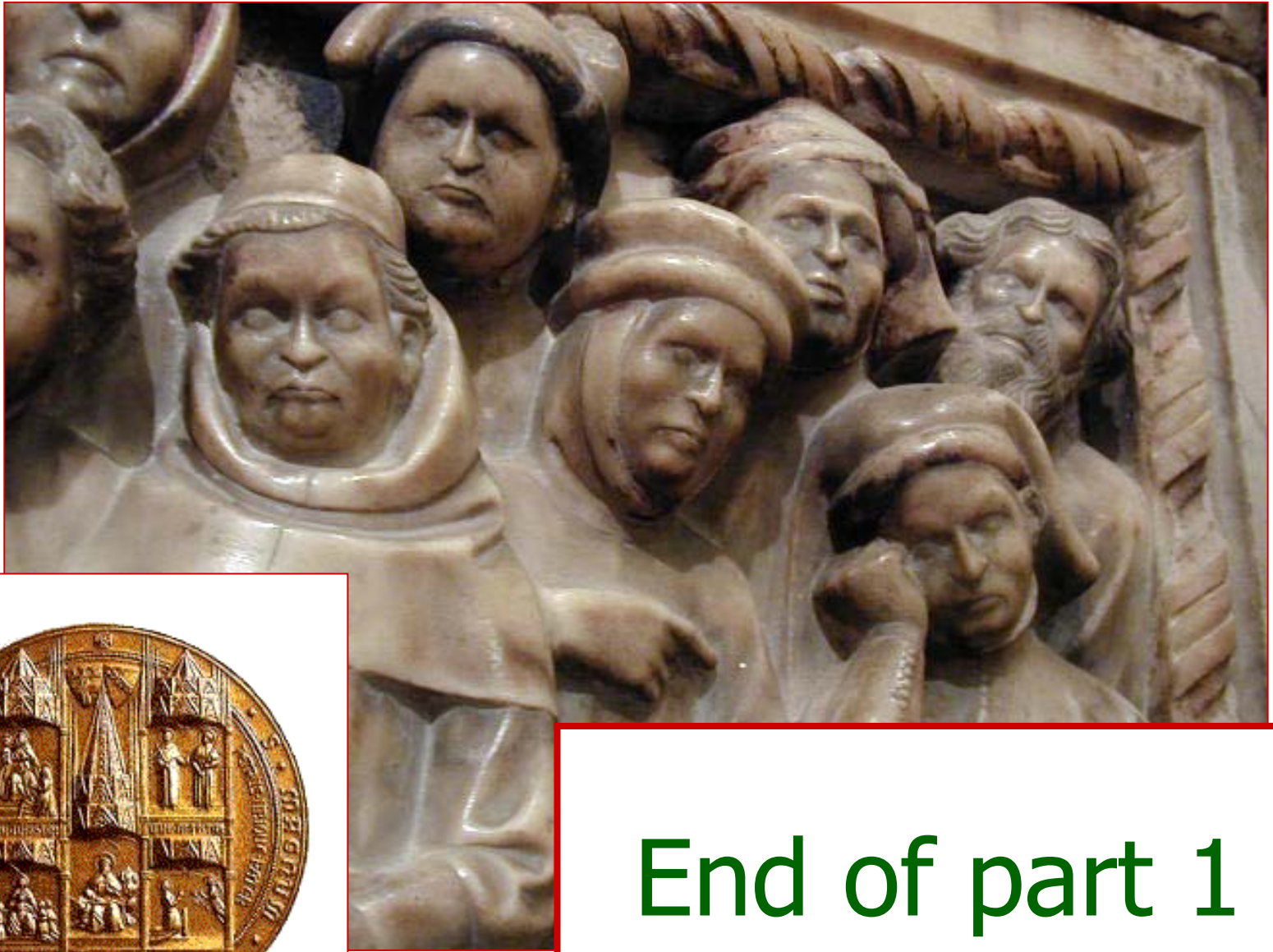
La CSD (Cambridge Structural Database) contiene ca. 300000 strutture determinate mediante diffrazione di raggi X e di neutroni di composti contenenti almeno un atomo di carbonio



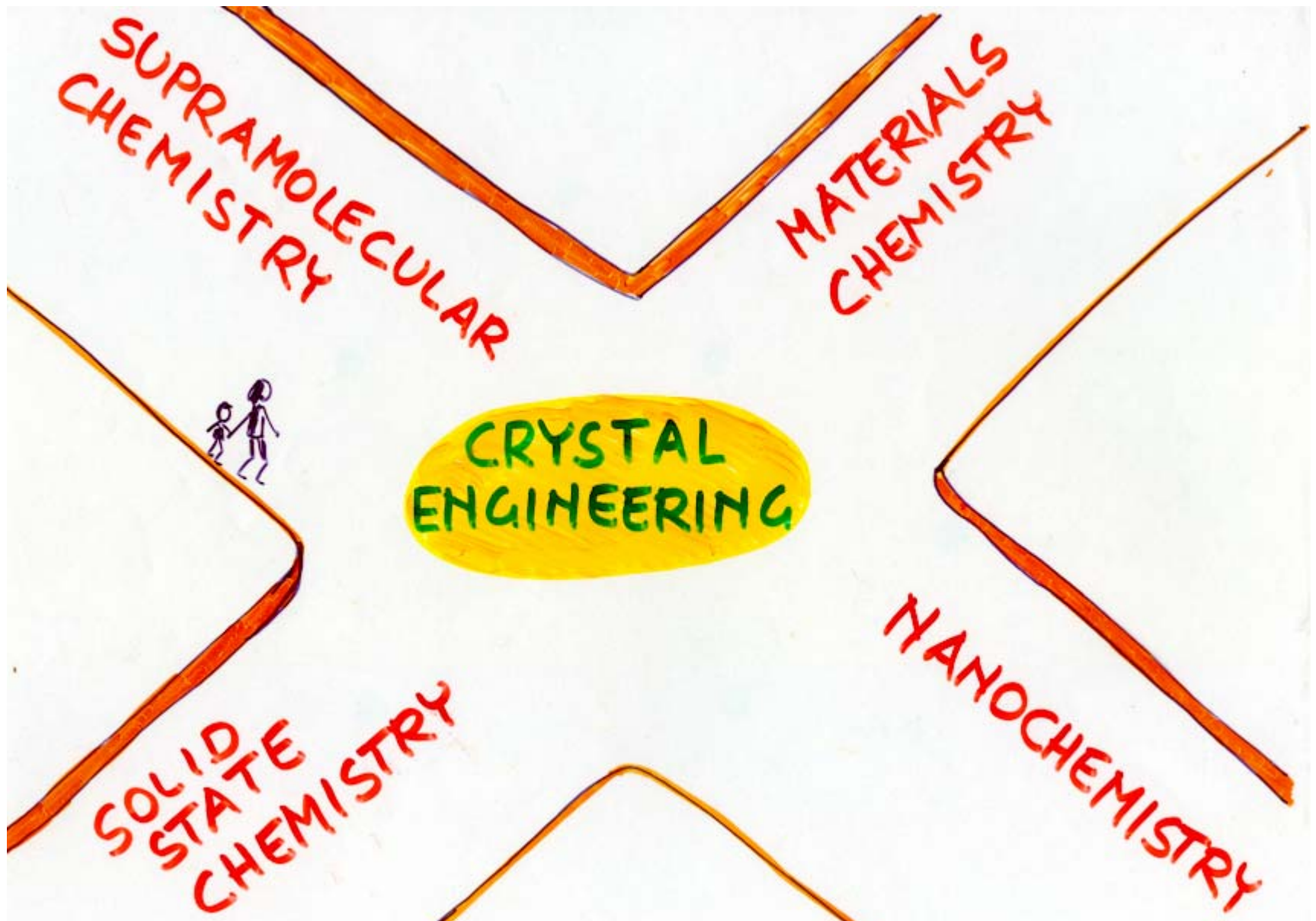
Il PDF **Powder Diffraction File** contiene 272000 set di dati di diffrazione di polveri, spesso integrati con i diffrattogrammi calcolati sulla base delle strutture determinate mediante diffrazione di raggi X da cristallo singolo.

Growth of the Powder Diffraction File





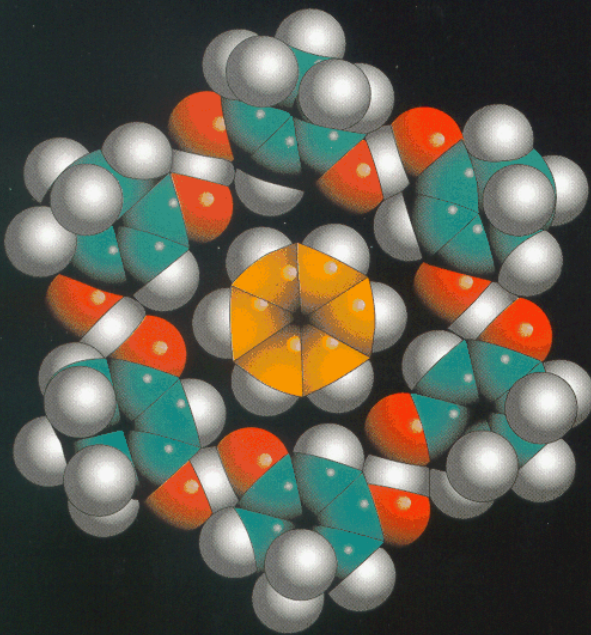
End of part 1



Crystal Engineering is at the intersection of supramolecular and materials chemistry with solid state chemistry and nanochemistry

Journals.....

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PHOTODIMERIZATION IN THE SOLID STATE

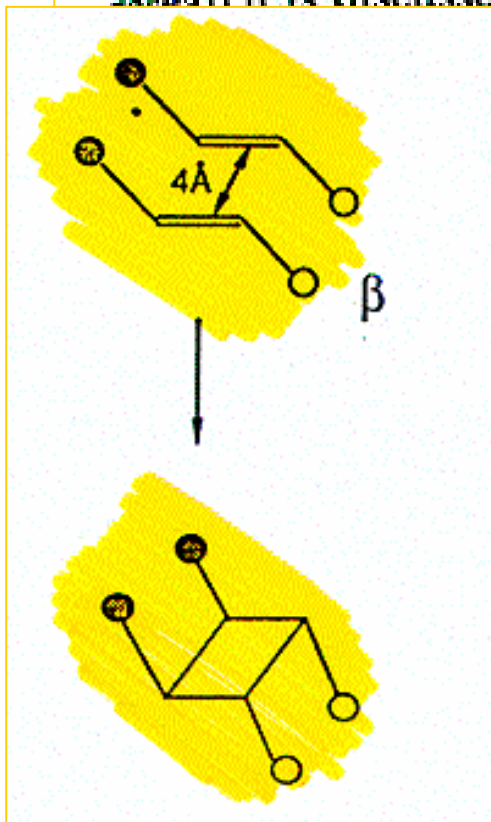
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Pure Appl. Chem.
1971, 27, 647.

ABSTRACT

Following a brief historical review of solid-state photochemistry, the present research is discussed under four parallel headings: first, analysis of the topology according to which the course of the solid-state reaction is determined; secondly, the study of the *locus of the reaction*, that is the course of the reaction or (dimerization, *cis* → *trans* isomerization, etc.); thirdly, a study of the *packing principles of organic molecules* in their crystals, which enable us to construct photoreactive (or lightstable) crystal structures from given monomer as well as mixed crystals of potentially complementary monomers for synthetic purposes or energy-transfer studies. Finally, the application of the above-mentioned principles to the photochemistry of primary amides and ortho-dimethylphenyl derivatives is discussed.



J. Maddox 1988

- NATURE -

Crystals from first principles

A new calculation of the polymorphs of silica appears to have broken new ground in deriving structure from chemical composition. But X-ray crystallographers need not worry — yet.

ONE of the continuing scandals in the physical sciences is that it remains in general impossible to predict the structure of even the simplest crystalline solids from a knowledge of their chemical composition. Who, for example, would guess that graphite, not diamond, is the thermo-

In 1987 **Margareth Etter** wrote: “*Organizing molecules into predictable arrays is the first step in a systematic approach to designing organic solid-state materials*”.

In 1989 **Gautam R. Desiraju** wrote “Crystal engineering is.. ...*the understanding of intermolecular interactions in the context of crystal packing and in the utilization of such understanding in the design of new solids with desired physical and chemical properties*”.

Supramolecular Chemistry—Scope and Perspectives

Molecules, Supermolecules, and Molecular Devices

(Nobel Lecture)**

By Jean-Marie Lehn*

1. From Molecular to Supramolecular Chemistry

Molecular chemistry, the chemistry of the covalent bond, is concerned with uncovering and mastering the rules that govern the structures, properties, and transformations of molecular species.

Supramolecular chemistry may be defined as “chemistry beyond the molecule,” bearing on the organized entities of higher complexity that result from the association of two or more chemical species held together by intermolecular forces. Its development requires the use of all resources of

What is a (molecular) crystal if not an “organised entity of higher complexity held together by intermolecular forces” ?

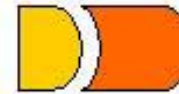
molecular entities, supermolecules possessing features as well

Le proprietà di insiemi di molecole sono proprietà
collettive

risultanti dalla ***convoluzione*** delle proprietà
del ***singolo componente*** (atomo/molecola)
con le ***regole*** di aggregazione e ripetizione
dell'insieme di appartenenza

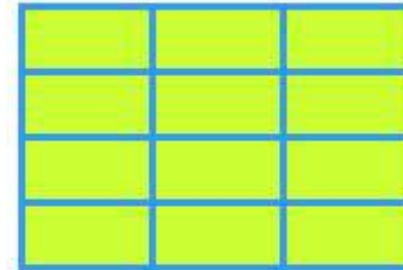
Paradigms

Non-covalent interactions



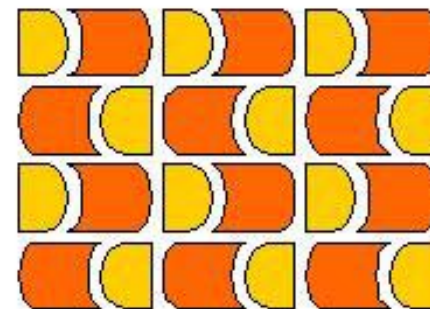
Supermolecule

Periodicity



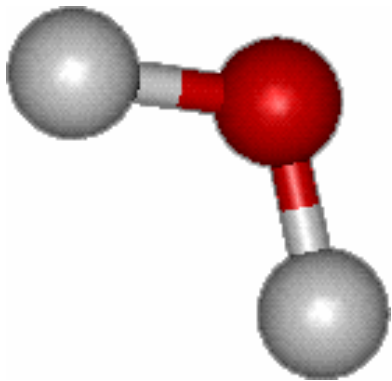
Crystal

Periodical distribution of non-covalent interactions

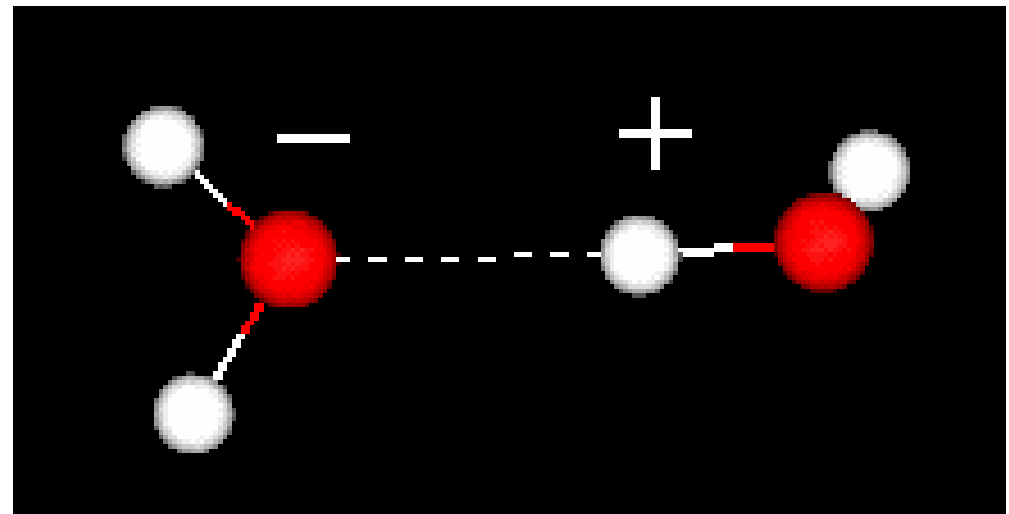
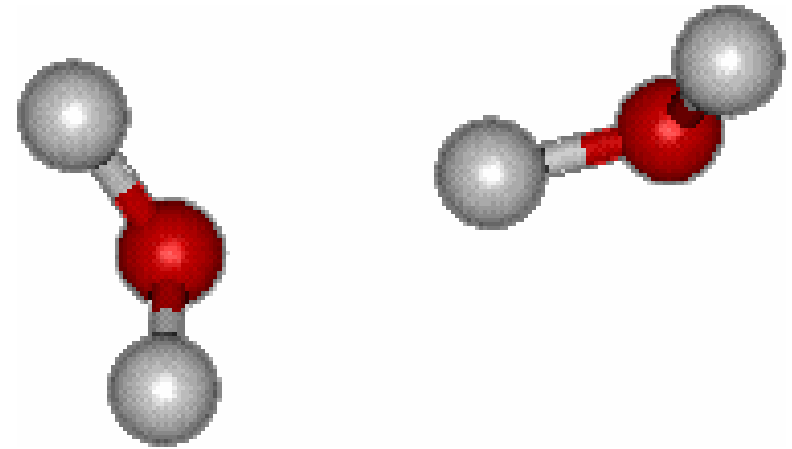


Periodical supermolecule

Ad esempio, una
singola molecola
d'acqua non
bolle e non gela...



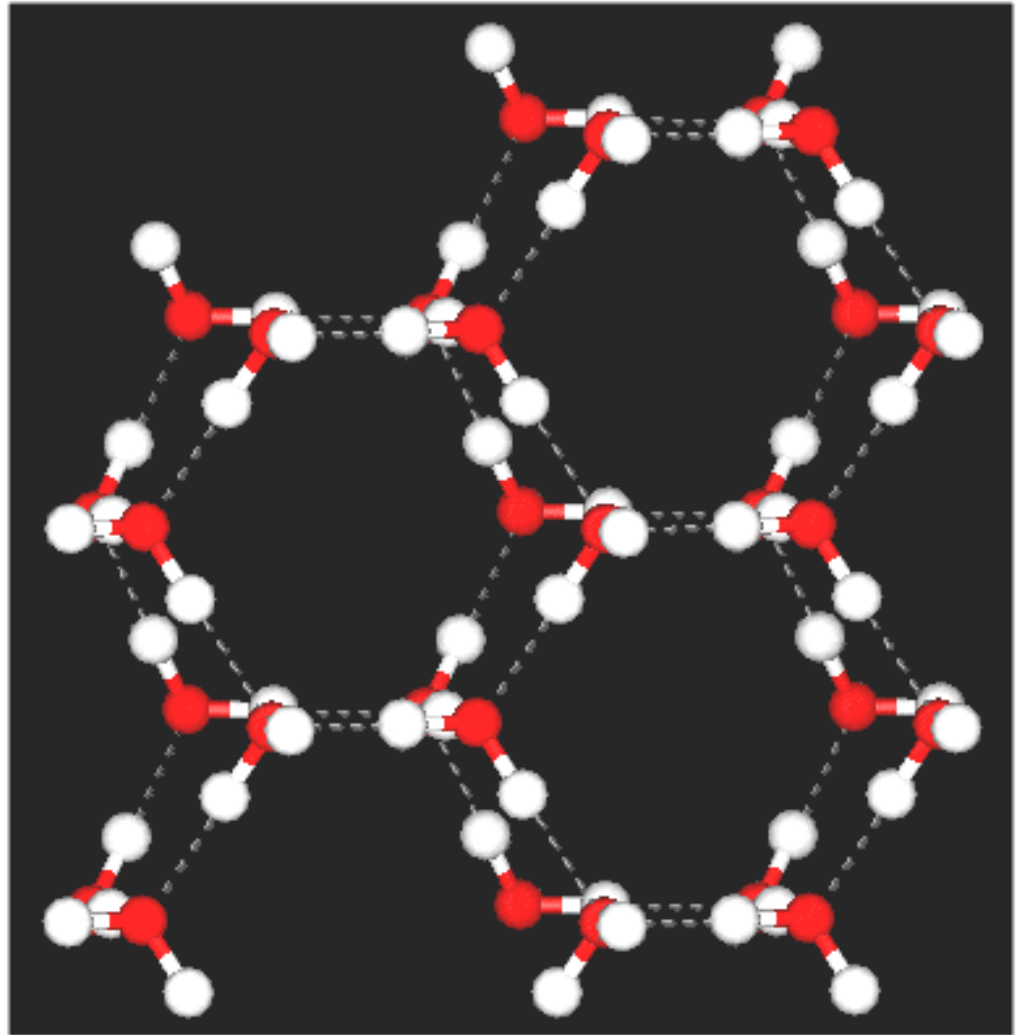
water



Il *legame a ponte di idrogeno* è
responsabile di molte proprietà
collettive dell'acqua

quali, ad esempio

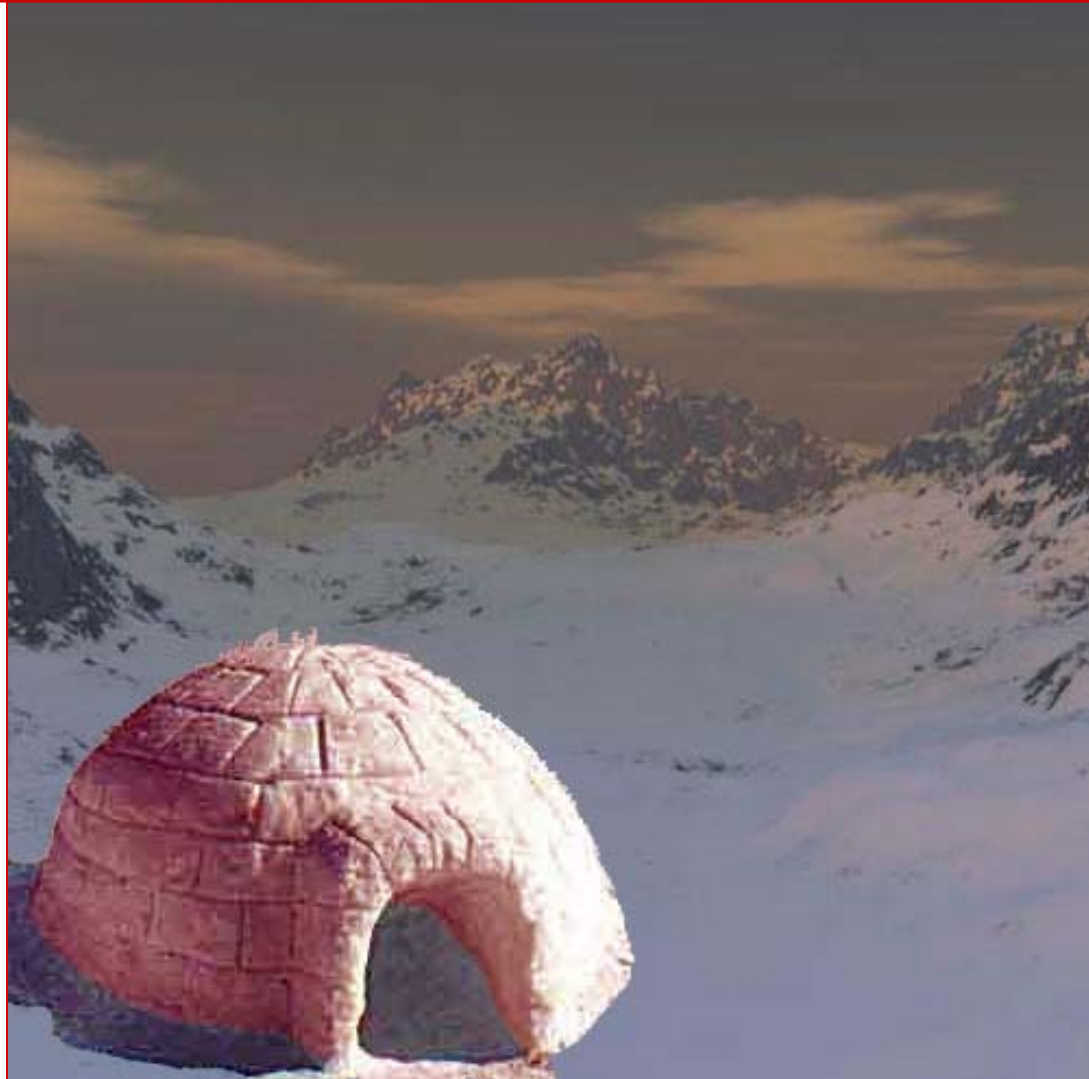
- l'intervallo di temperatura e pressione in cui essa è liquida
- il fatto che la densità della fase solida (ghiaccio) sia inferiore di quella della fase liquida



Il ghiaccio galleggia sull'acqua: un iceberg può essere visto come un'immensa "super-molecola" di acqua tenuta insieme da legami idrogeno

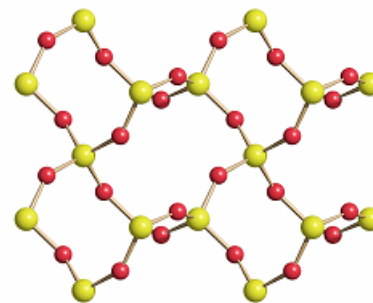


L'acqua è un materiale da costruzione ?

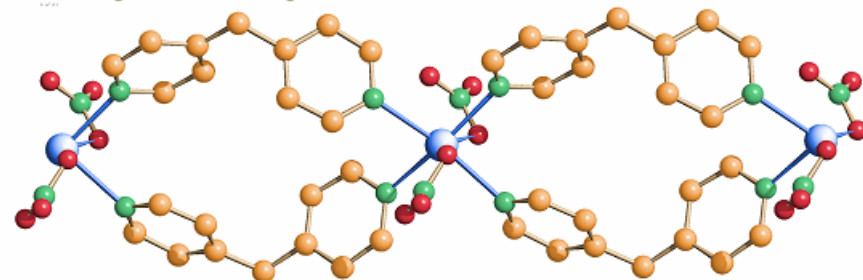


Bonding interactions between building blocks span a very wide energy range: the difference in bonding types offers a practical way to differentiate target materials, and hence synthetic strategies, as a function of the energy involved in the bond breaking-bond forming processes that lead from building block to superstructure.

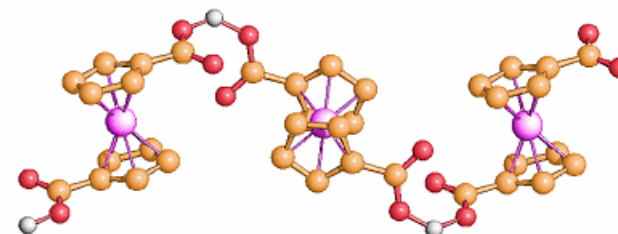
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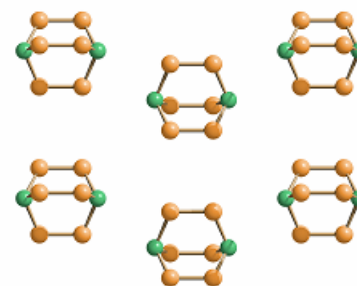
Covalent networks



Coordination networks

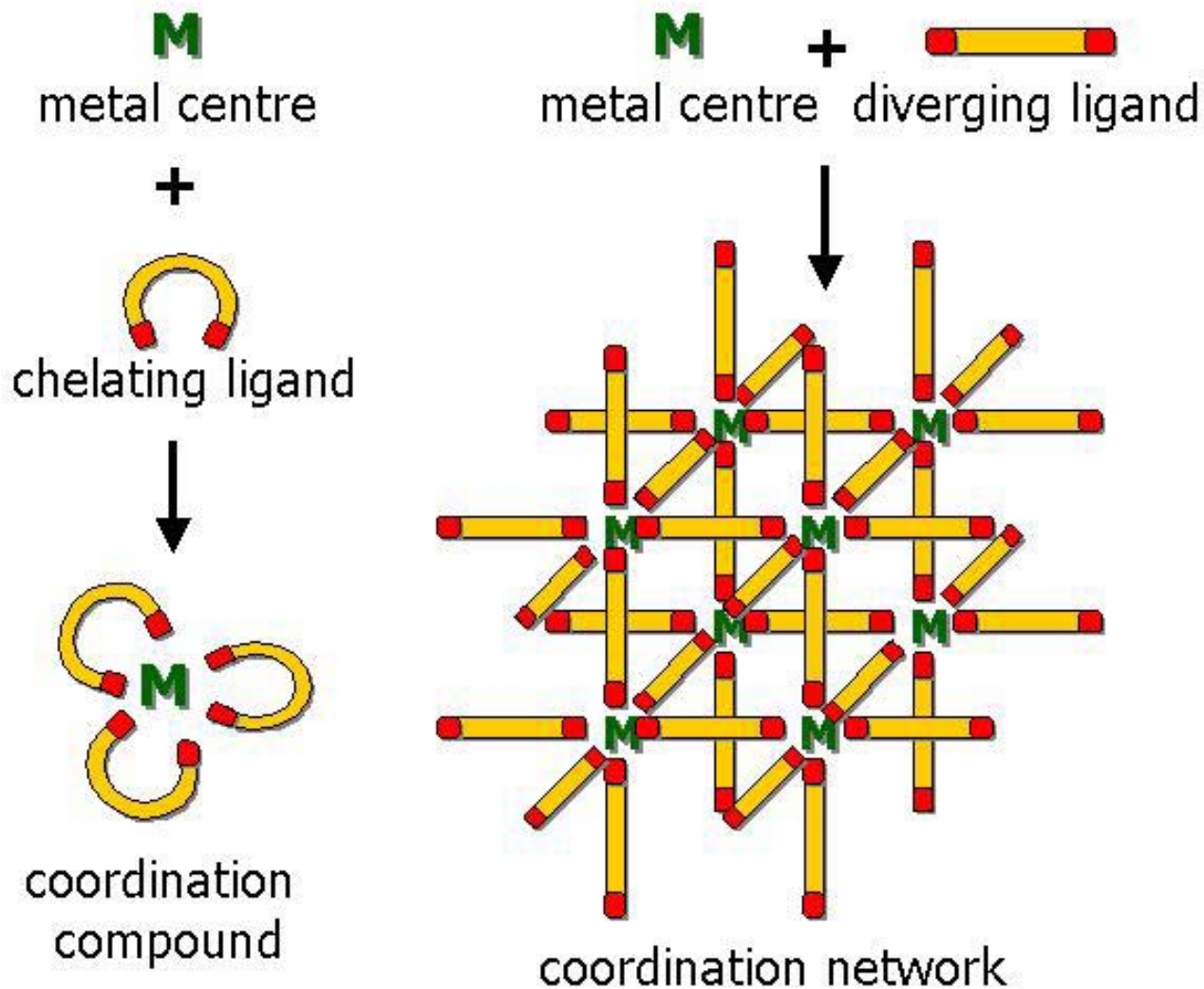


Hydrogen bond networks

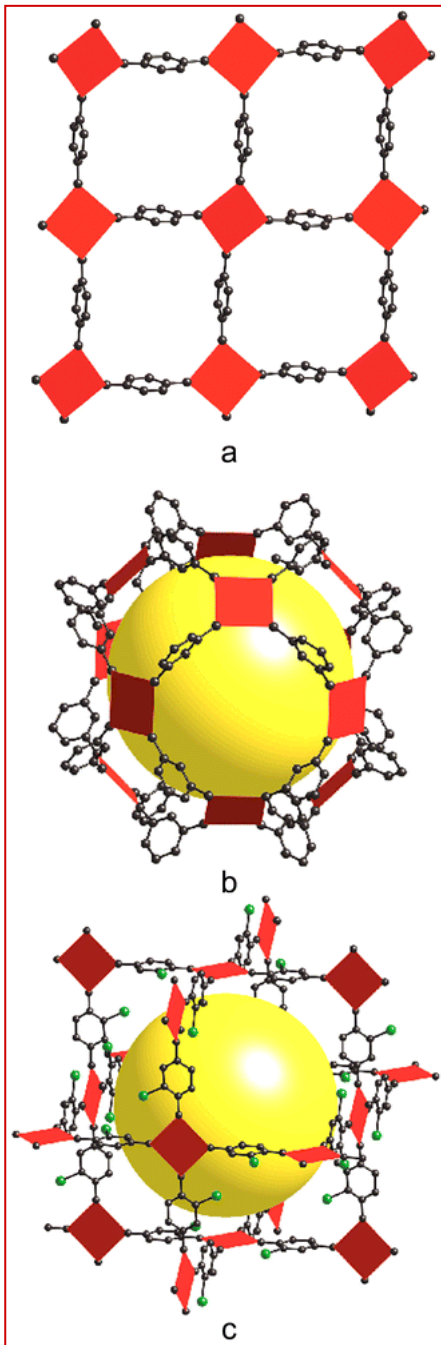


Van der Waals solids

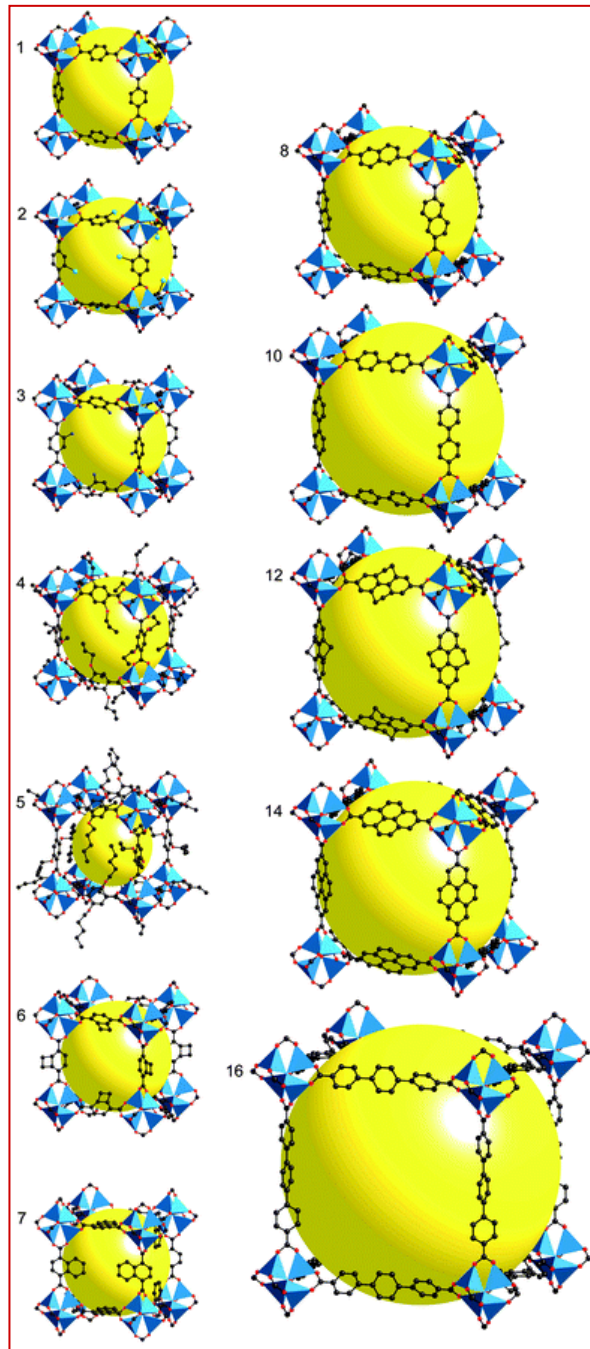


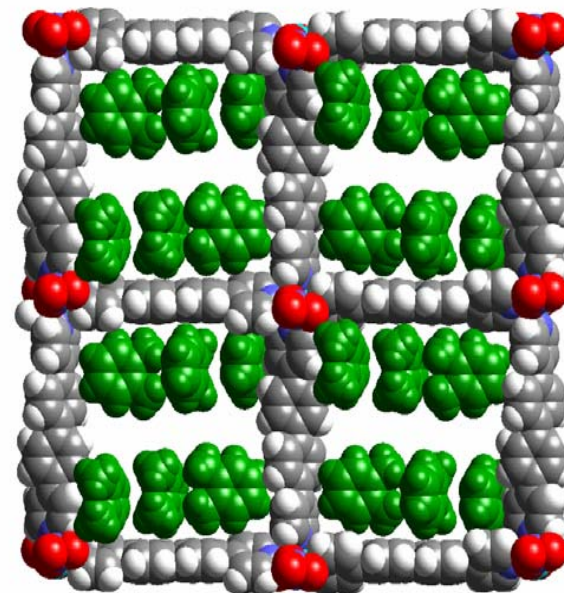
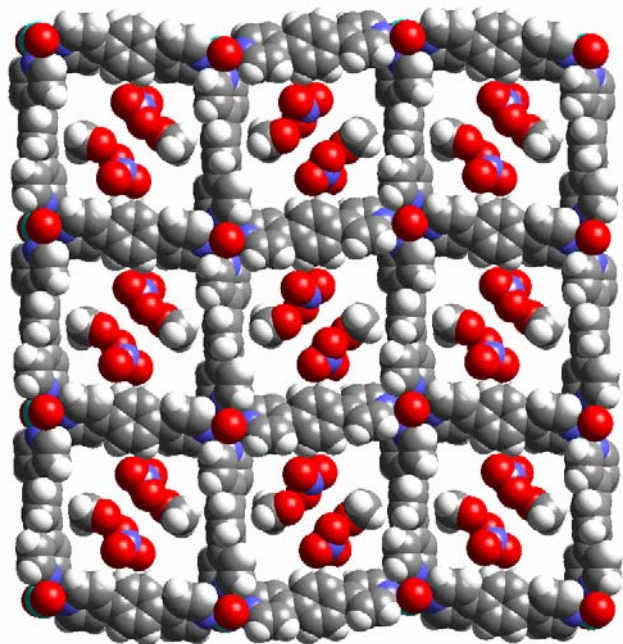


The transition from molecular to periodical coordination chemistry. From coordination complexes (top) to coordination networks (bottom): the use of bidentate ligand spacers allows construction of *periodical* coordination complexes.

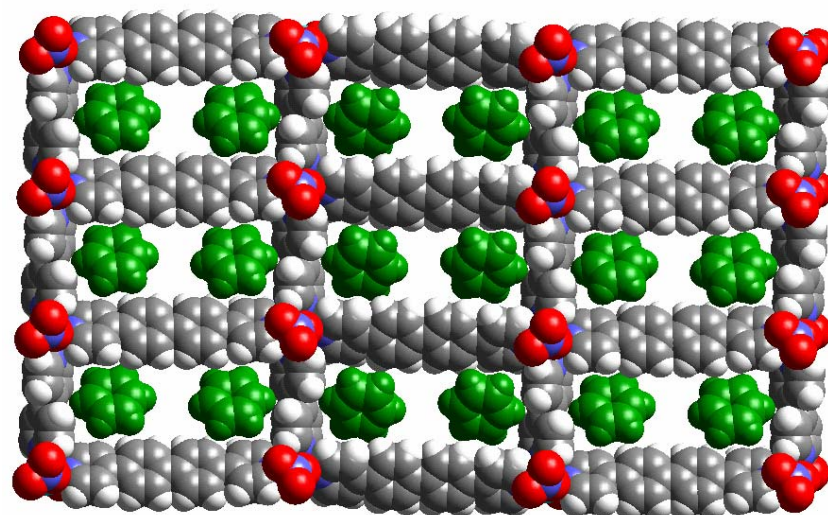


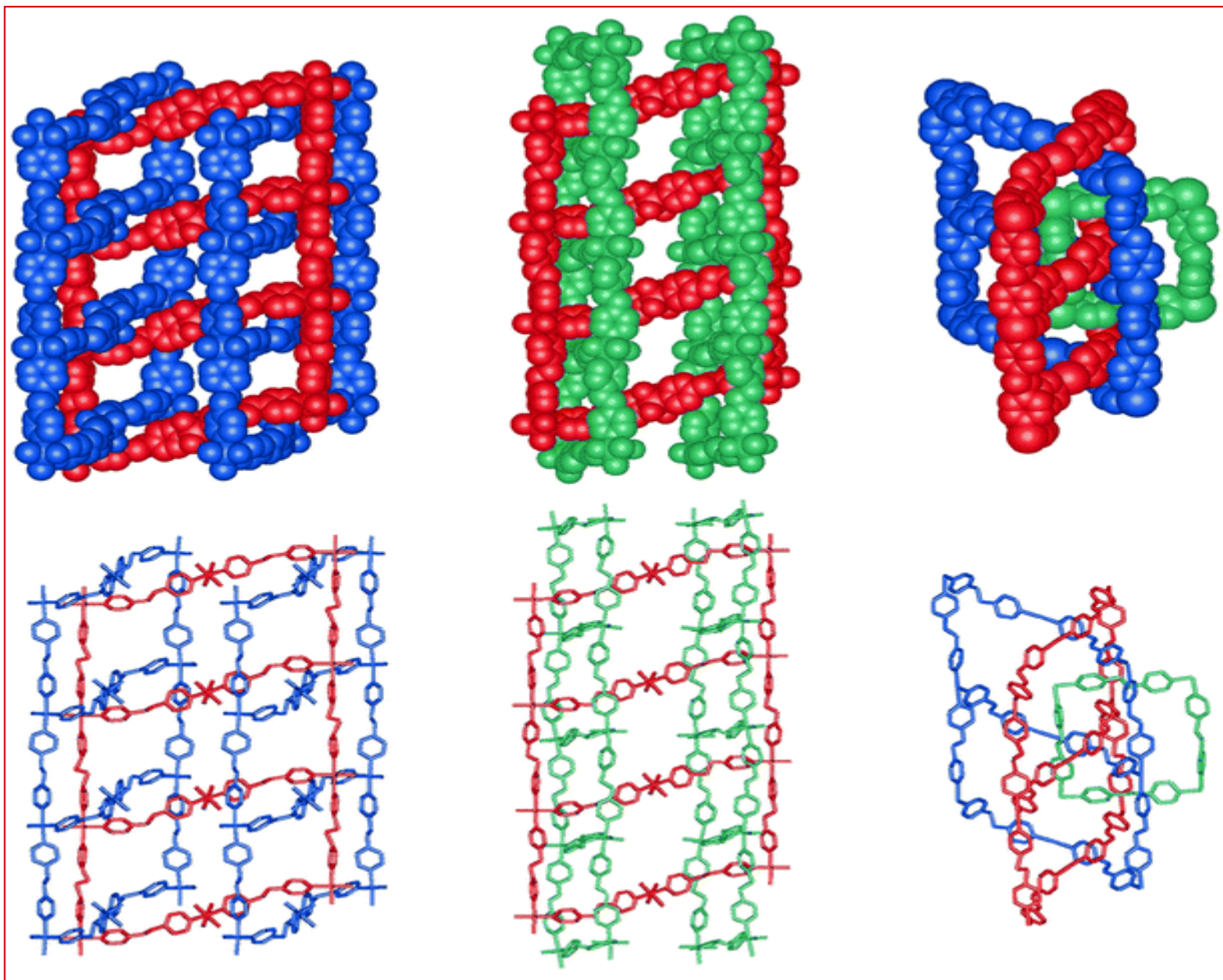
Omar Yaghi:
coordination
polymers based
on copper
acetate bridges





Makoto Fujita 2001





Crystal engineering in Bologna



Making and using metal containing building blocks for
> Supramolecular Complexes, Coordination networks



Hydrogen bonding between ions
> Protonic conductivity in fuel cell



Crystal polymorphism and pseudo polymorphism
> Pharmaceutical compounds, Molecular Alloys

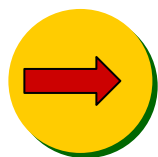


(Solvent-free) Molecular Solid \leftrightarrow Gas Reactions
> **Gas Trap**



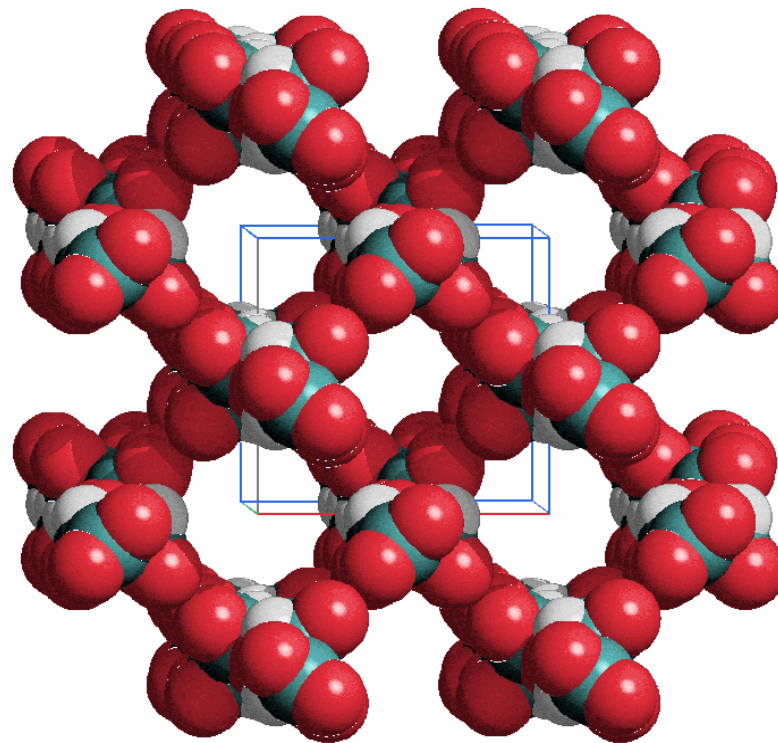
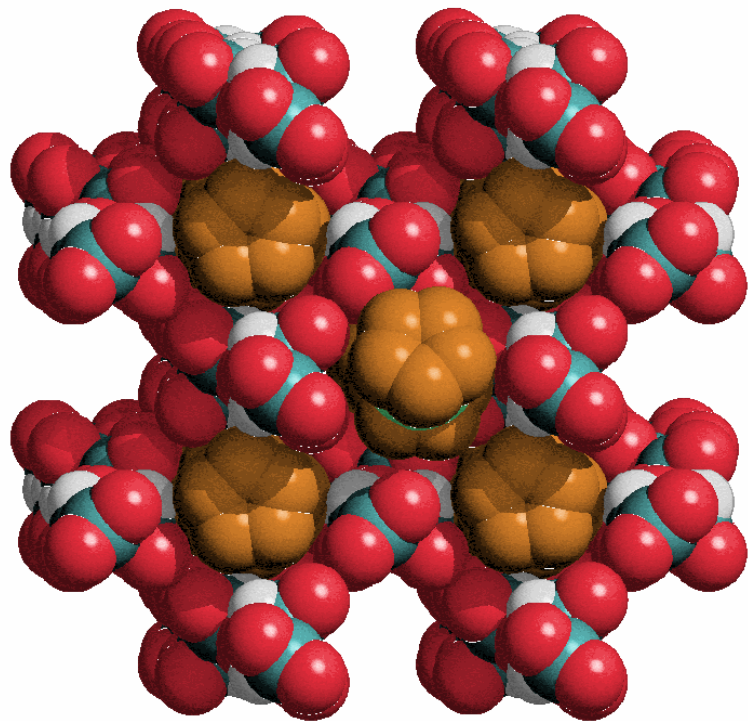
(Solvent-free) Molecular Solid-Solid Reactions >
Mechanochemistry

Making and using metal
containing building blocks

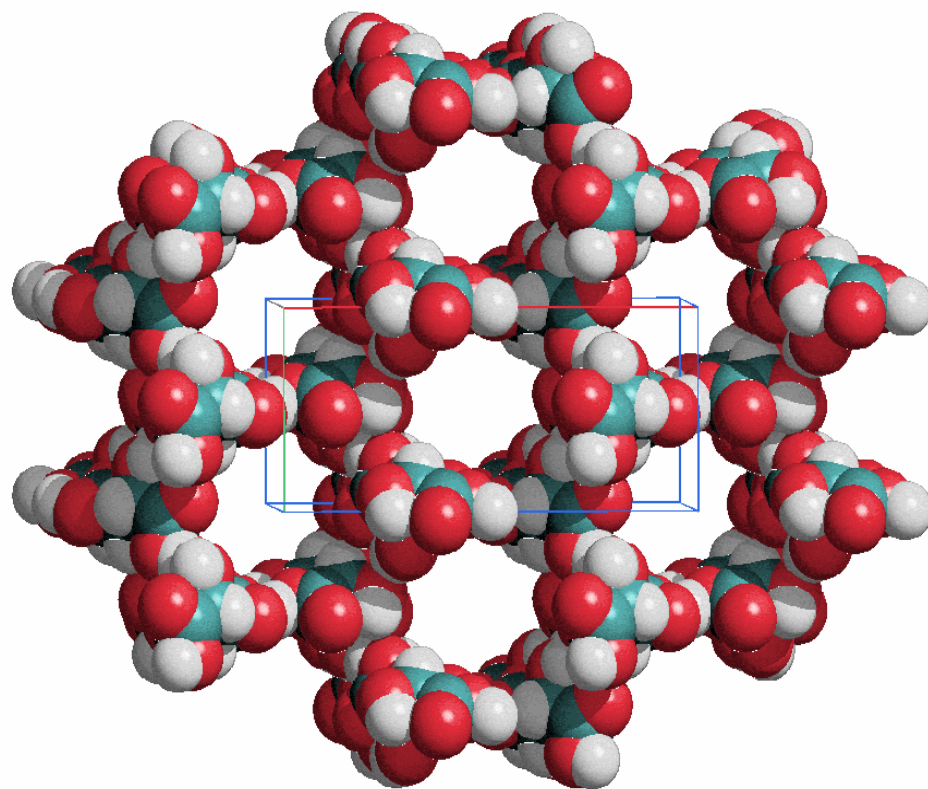
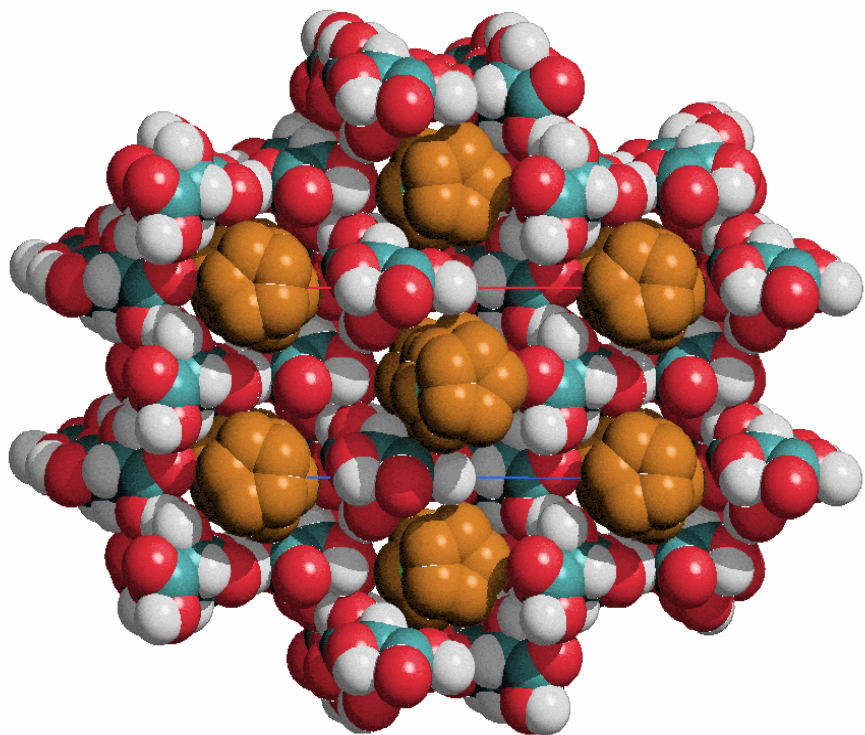


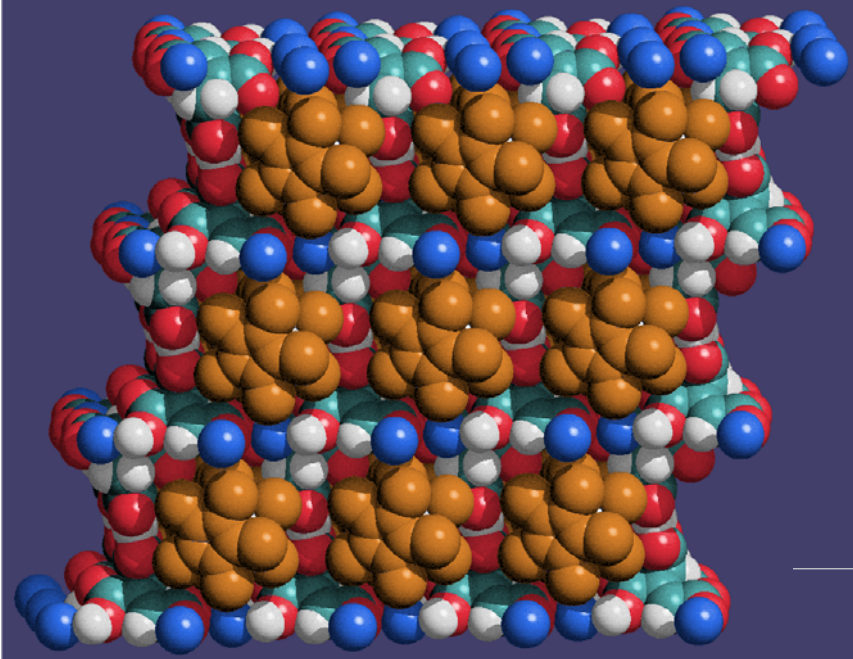
Hydrogen bonded
coordination networks

Chiral frameworks with “nanosize” channels



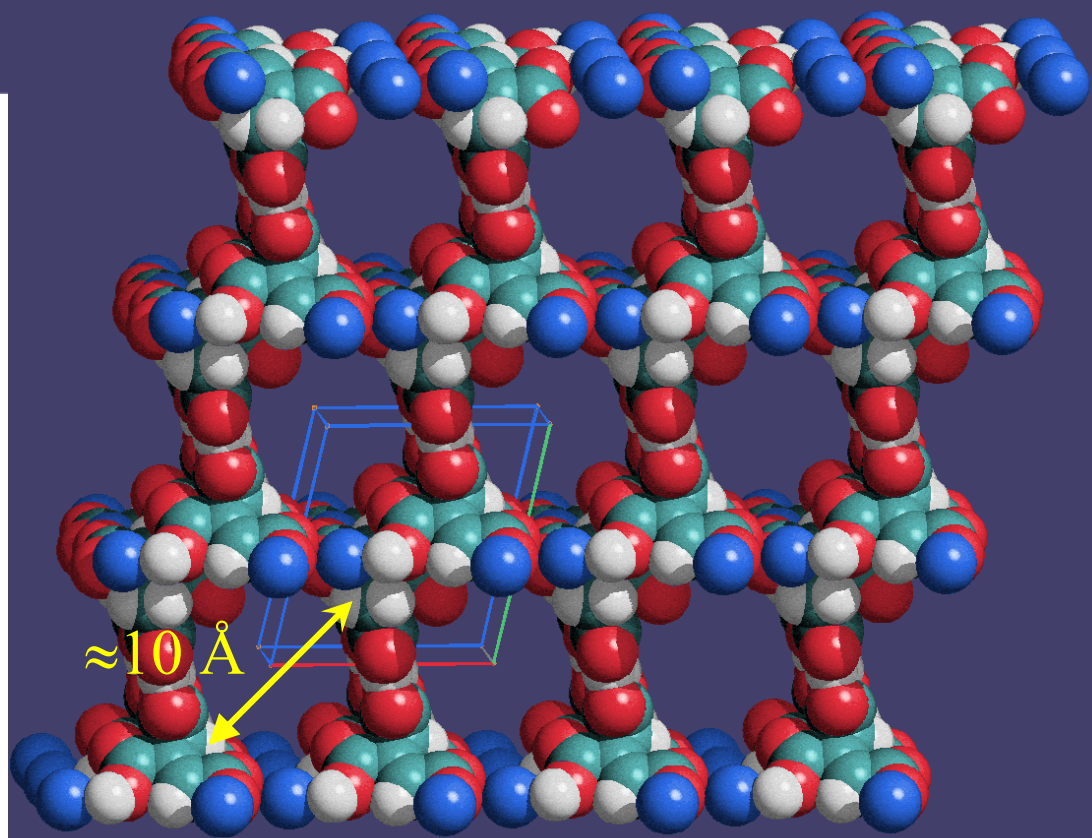
Honeycomb/zeotype frameworks





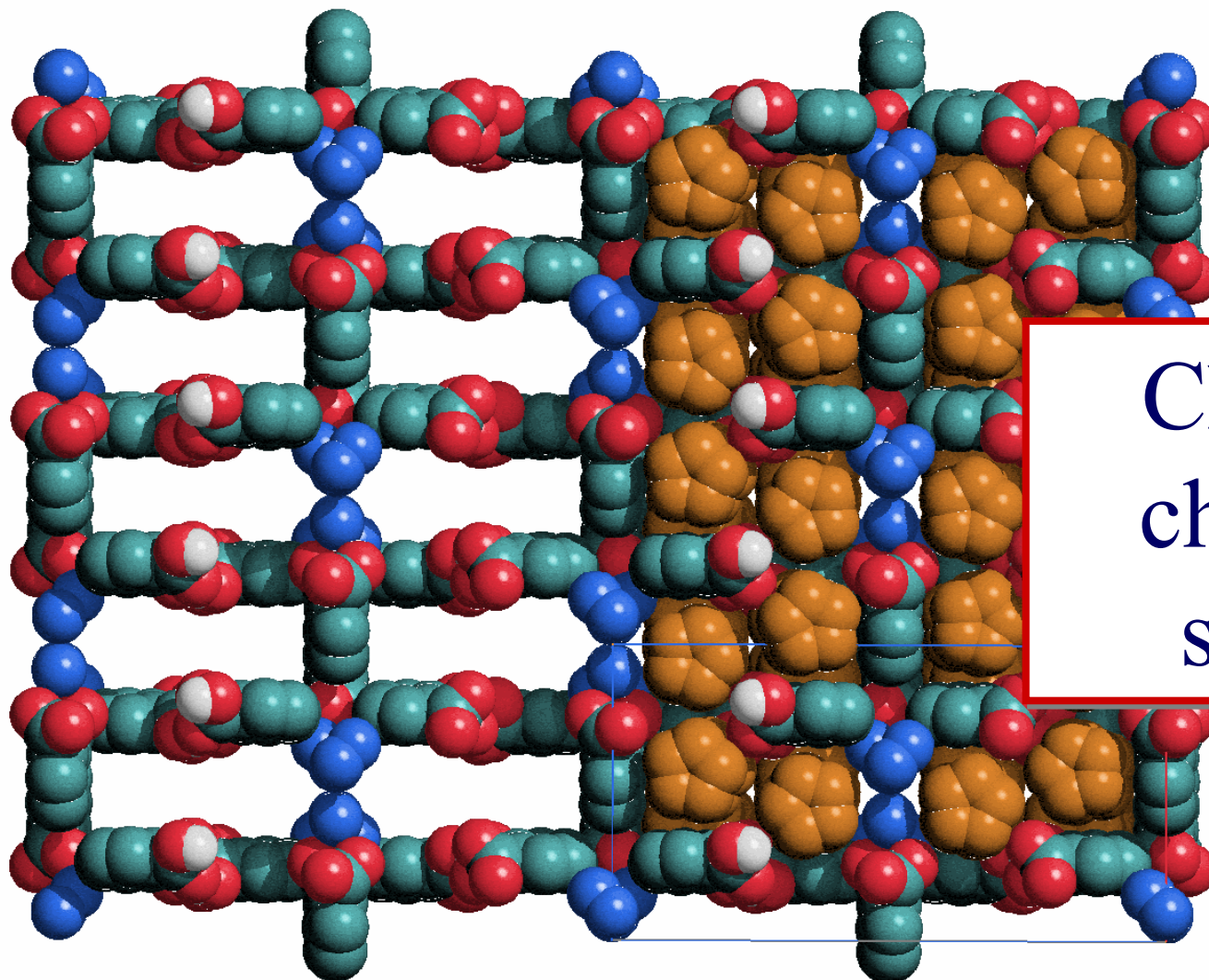
Increase
channel size

$[(C_5Me_5)_2Co]^+$
 $[trans\text{-acotinic acid}]^-$



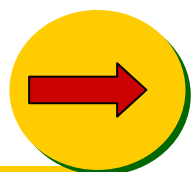
Rectangular channels

$[(C_5H_5)_2Co]^+$ [hydrogenphthalate] $^-$ [water]

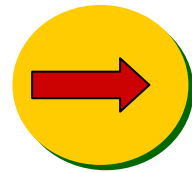
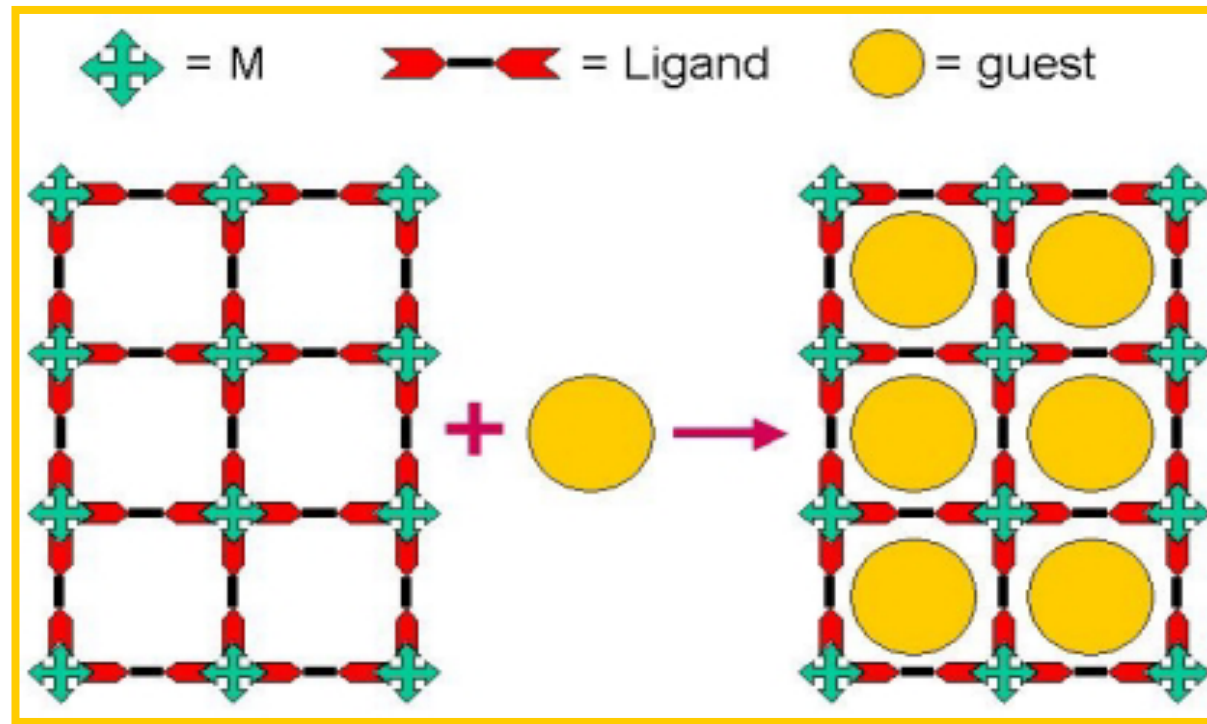


Change
channel
shape

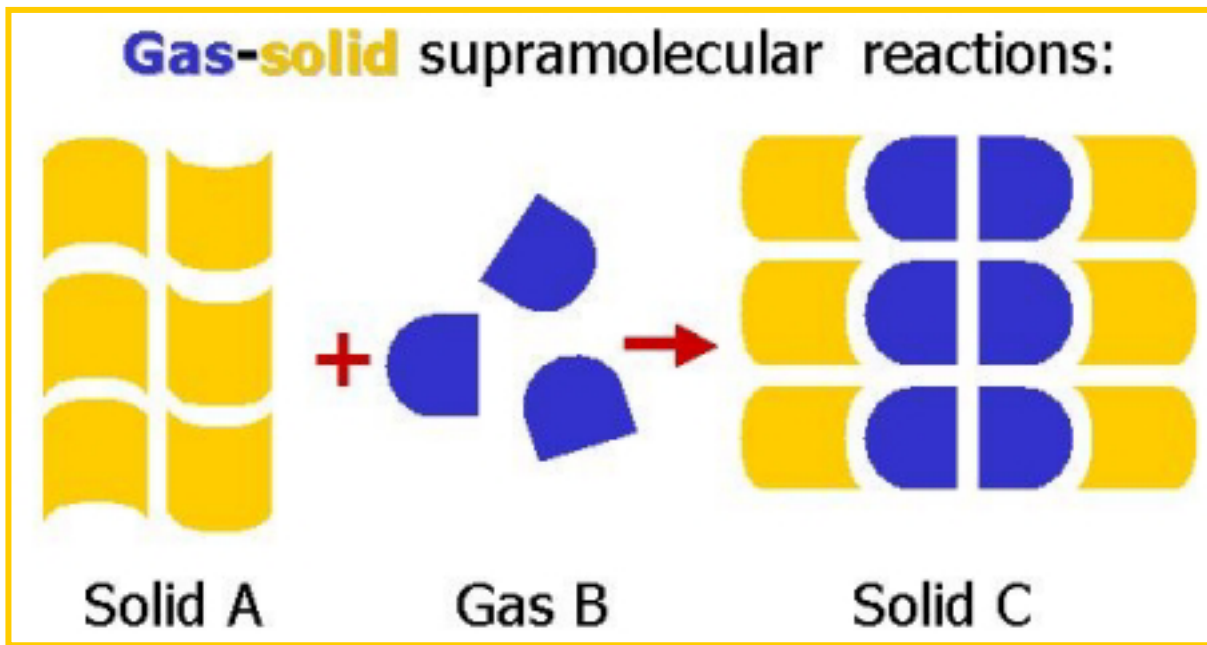
Solvent-Free
solid-solid or solid-gas
reactions

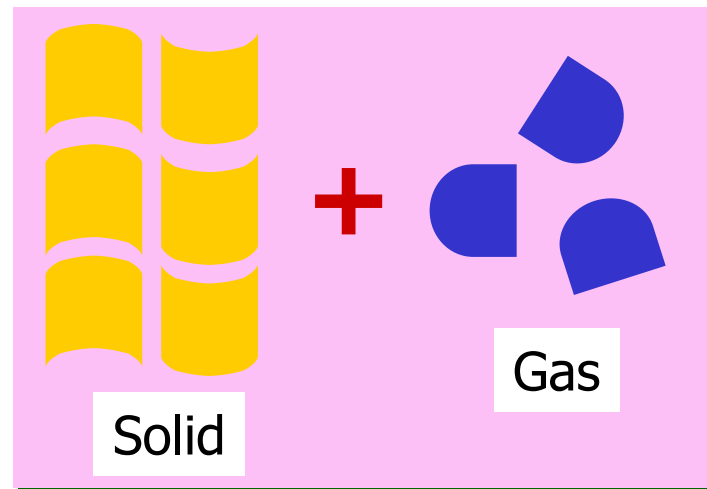
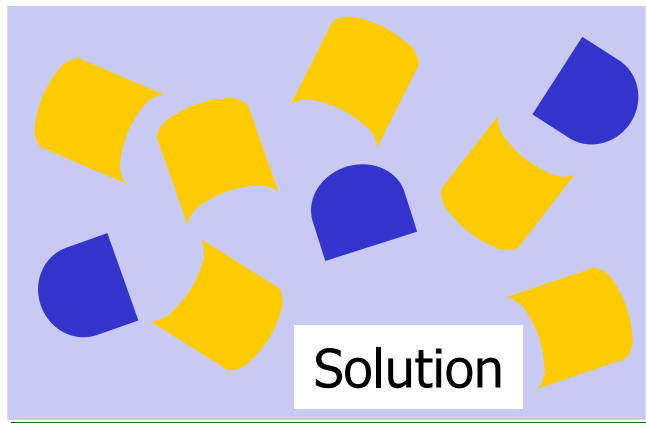


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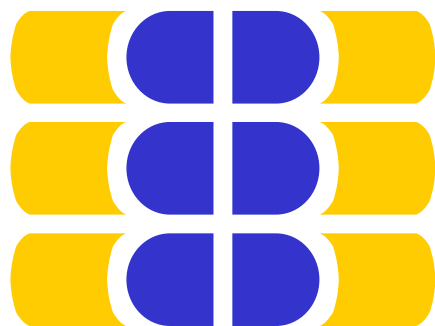


GAS-SOLID REACTION





Crystallization



Single crystal

Recrystallization
from solution



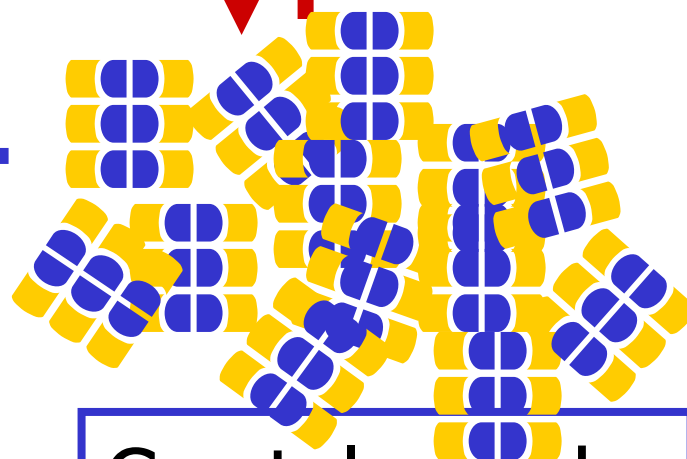
Comparison:
X-ray powder
diffraction



Gas
uptake



Δ and/or
vacuum

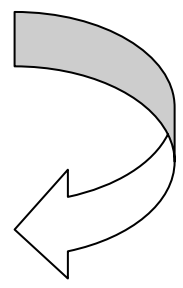
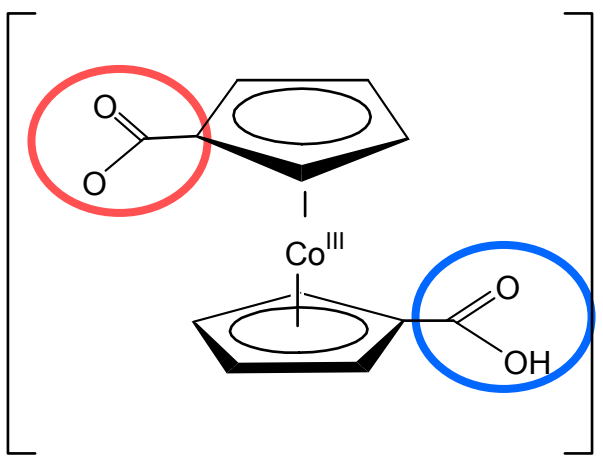


Crystal powder

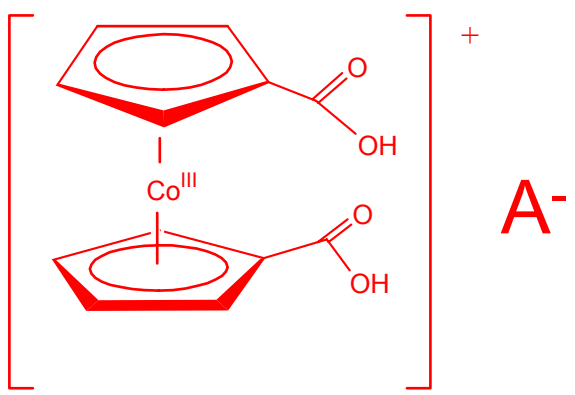
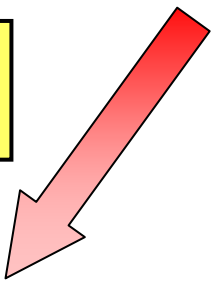
All processes monitored by TGA, IR, X-ray, CPMAS ¹³C NMR



**Crystalline
Solid**

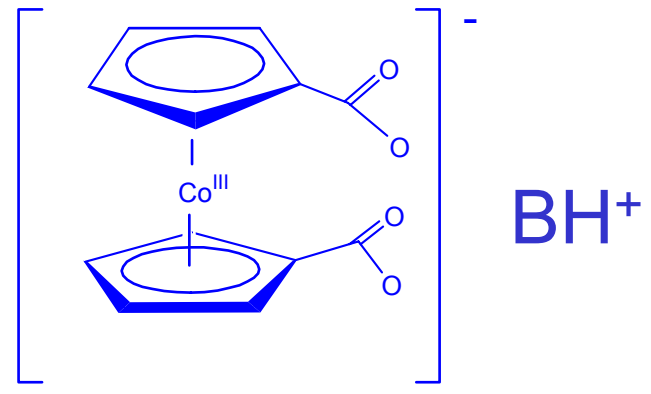
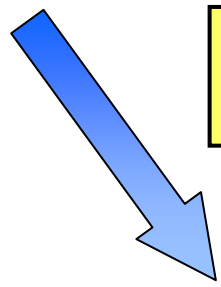


+ Acid
vapour



**An amphoteric
Vapour Trap**

+ Base
vapour





solution of A + B

Crystallization



Seeding



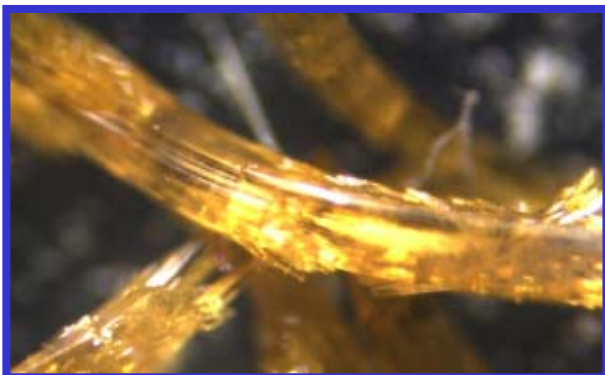
solid A + vapour B



Gas uptake



Δ and/or vacuum



Single crystal of C

Comparison calculated and measured XPD



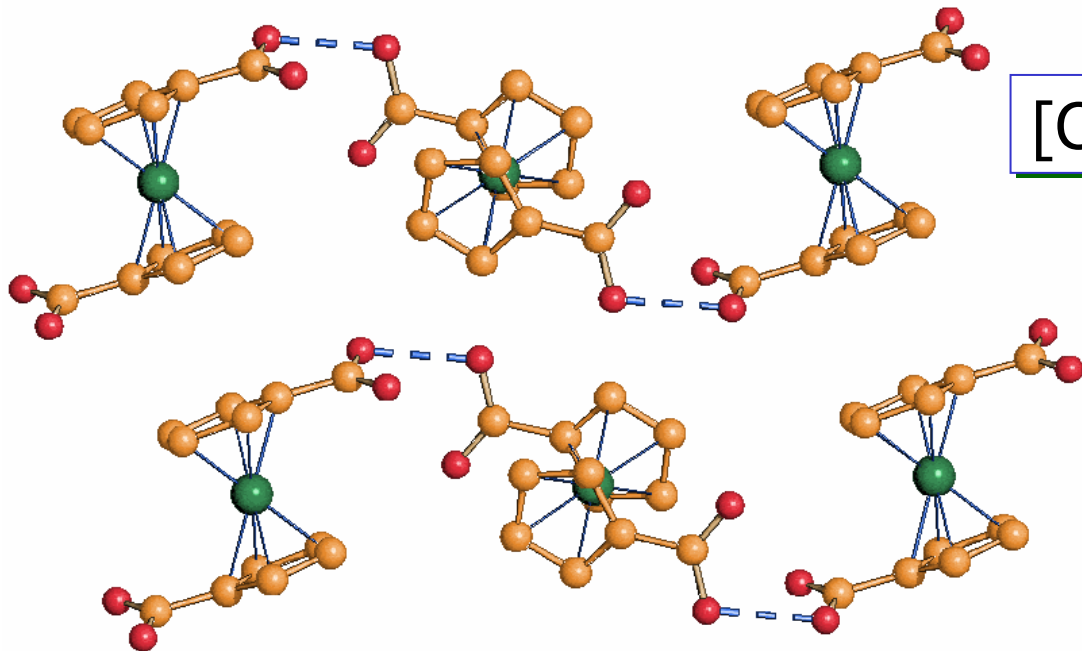
Crystalline powder C

processes monitored by TGA, IR, X-ray, CPMAS ¹³C NMR

Reaction with HCl

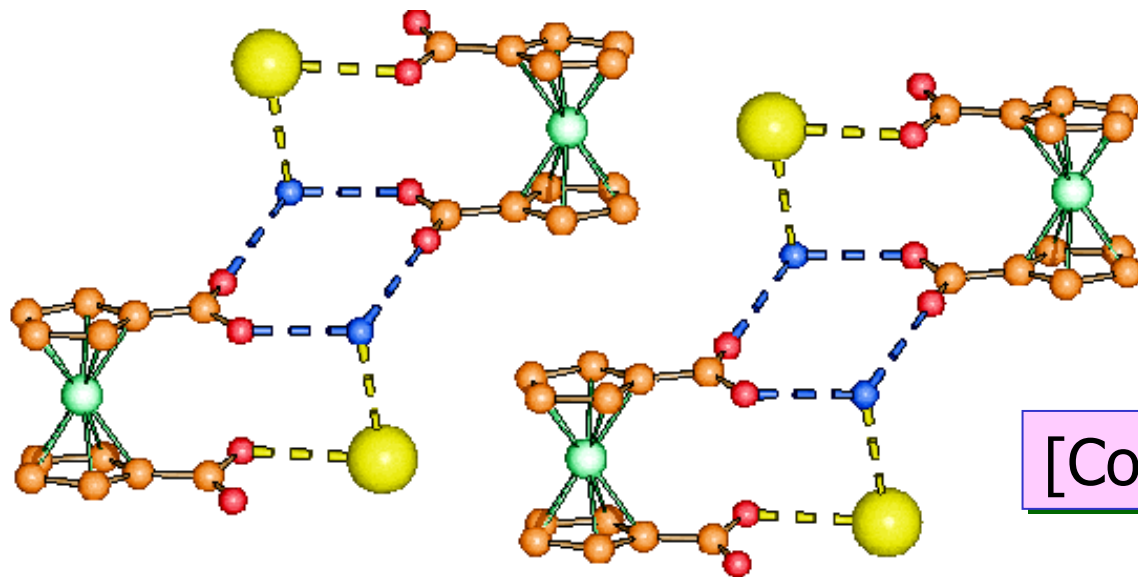


crystalline powder



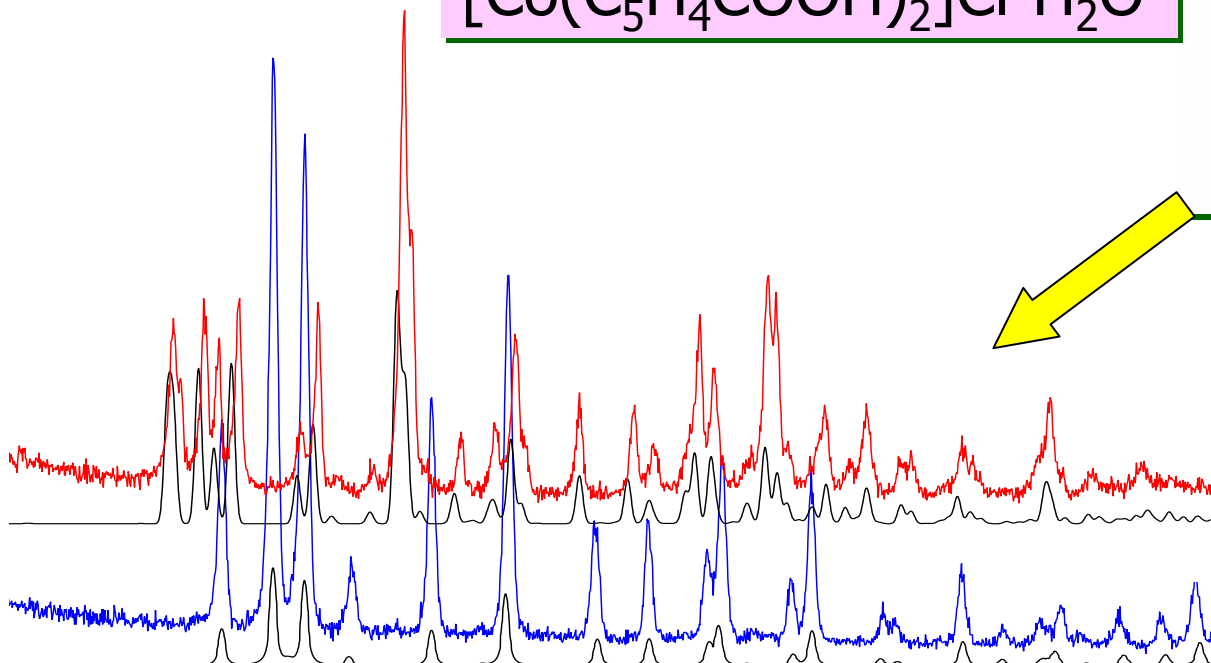
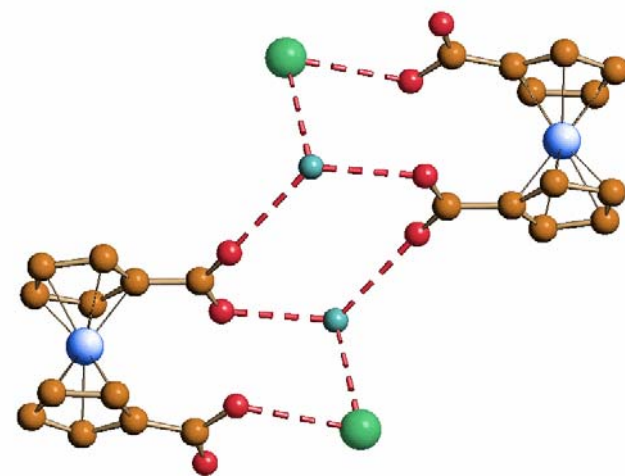
Δ
vacuum

+ HCl hydrated
vapour



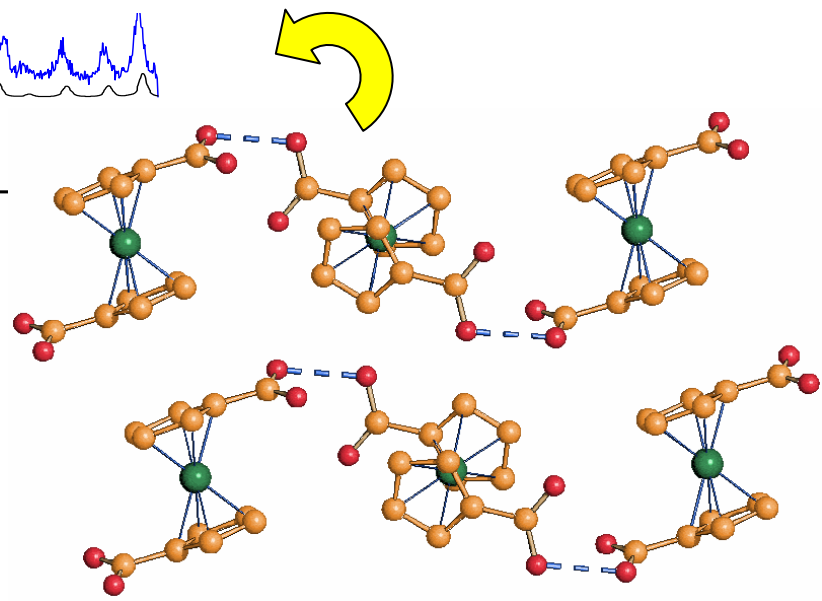
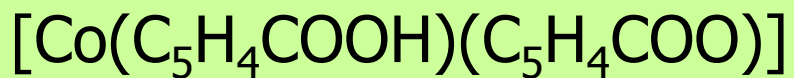
crystalline powder

Reaction with HCl

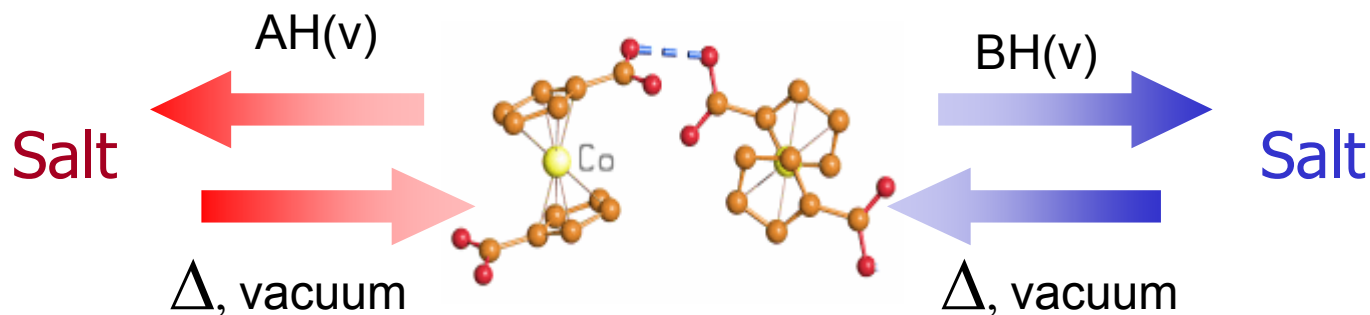


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2θ

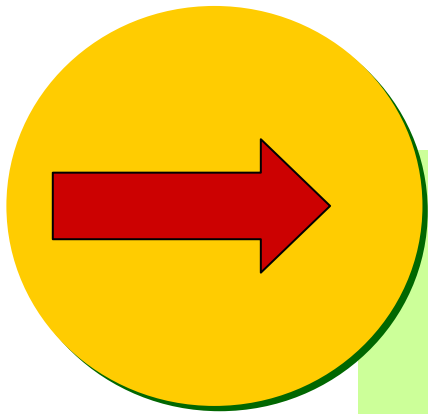


Heterophase reactions of

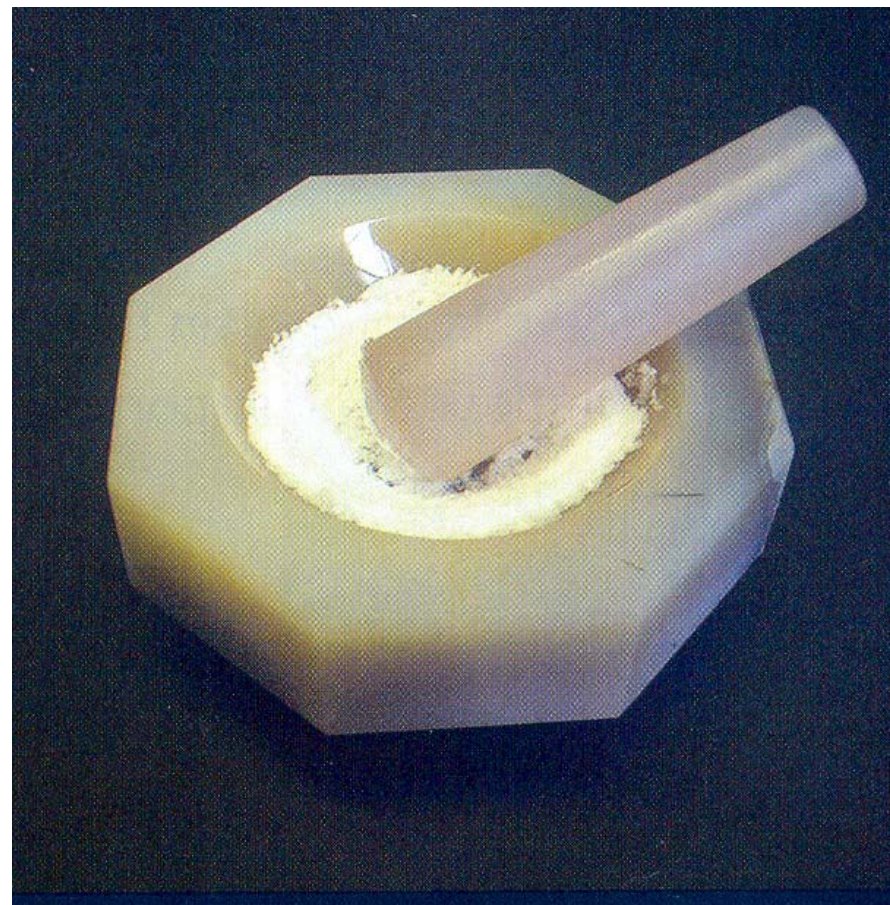
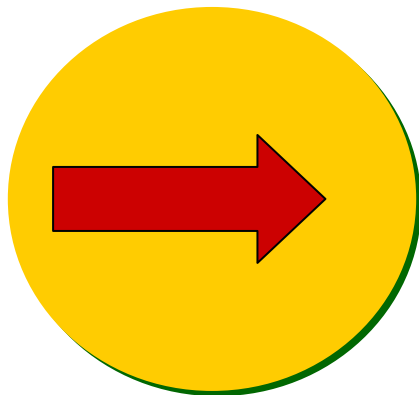


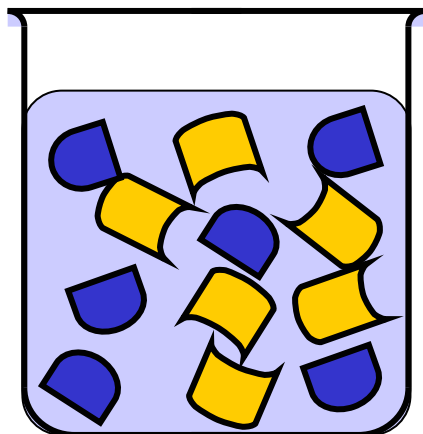
- Easy to make, high yield, low cost
- High thermal stability (500K)
- No decomposition after several absorption-desorption cycles
- No formation of amorphous phase
- Amphoteric behaviour
- Versatile (salts or co-crystals)

heterogenous reactions with ACID vapours	heterogenous reactions with BASE vaps
HCl BF ₄ CF ₃ COOH CHF ₂ COOH CH ₂ F ₂ COOH HCOOH	NH ₃ (CH ₃)NH ₂ (CH ₃) ₃ N

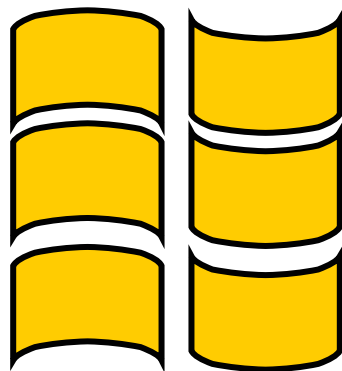


Solid-solid reactions "mechanochemistry"





solution of A + B

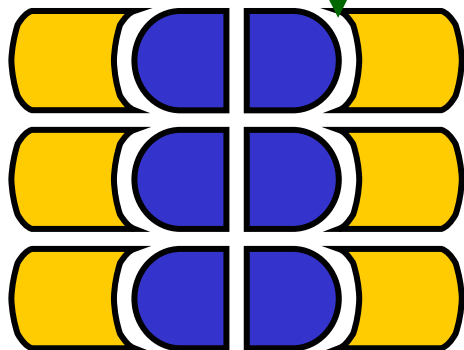


solid A + solid B

Grinding

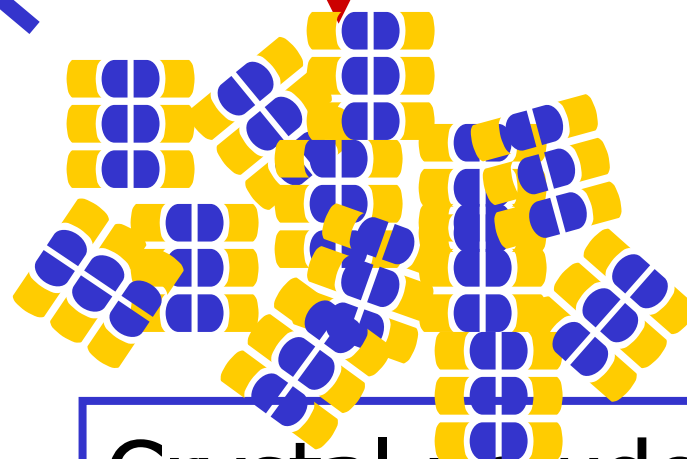
Crystallization

Seeding



Single crystal

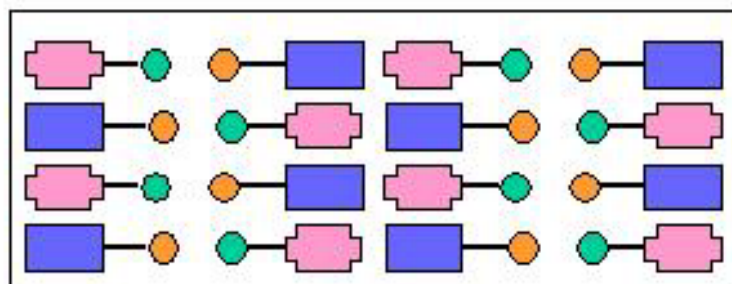
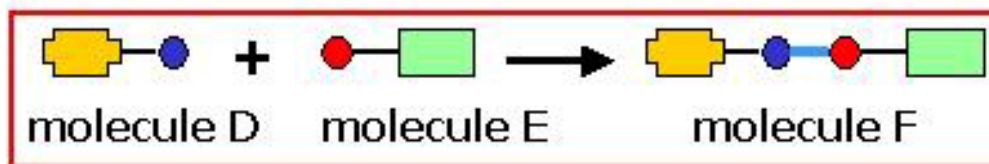
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Crystal powder

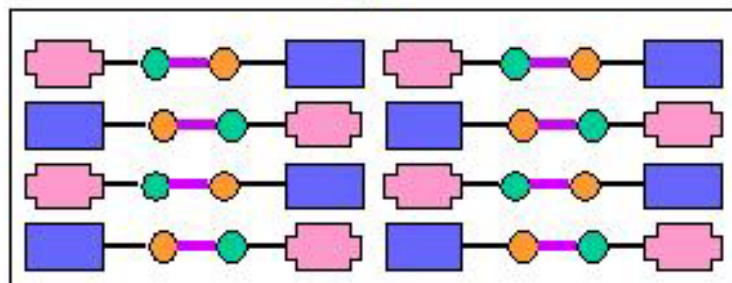
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Intra solid *versus* inter solid reactions

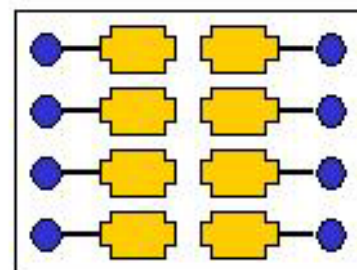


solid 1

intra-solid
reaction

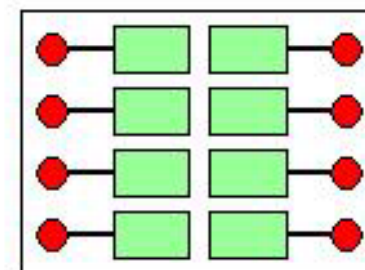


solid 2



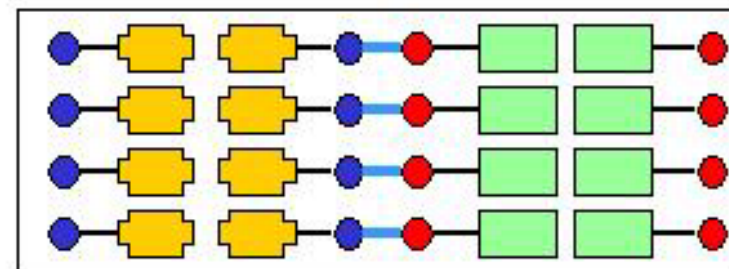
solid 3

+



solid 4

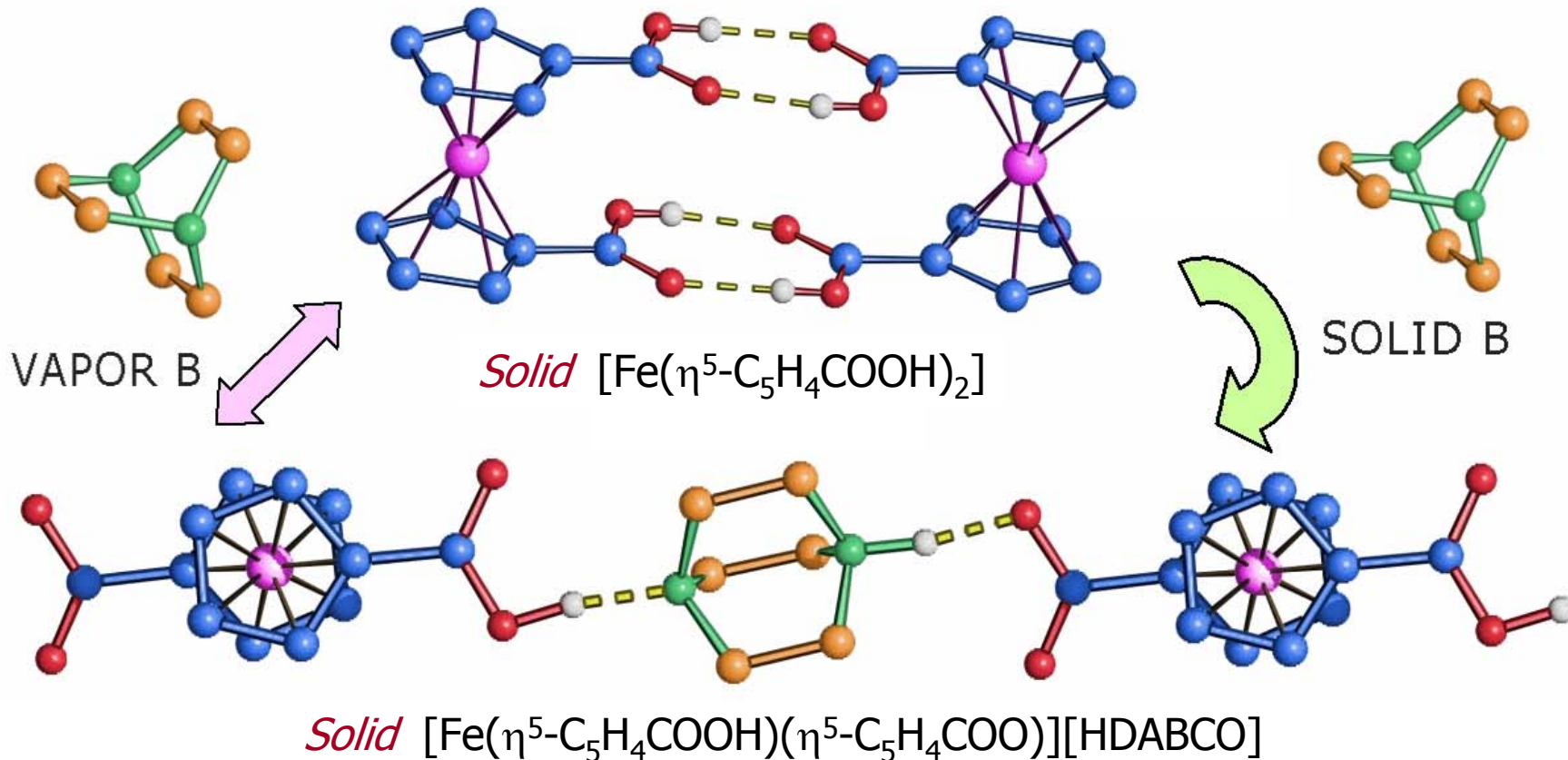
inter-solid
reaction



solid 5

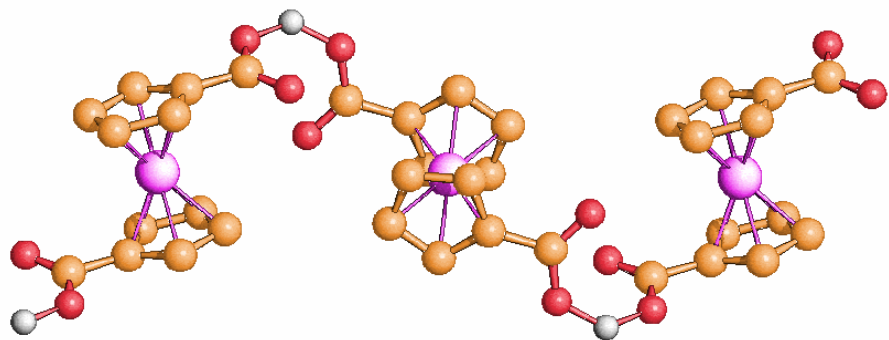
See "*Reactions between or within molecular crystals*"
Braga and Grepioni *Angew. Chem.* 2004, 43, 2-11

Mechanochemical Assembly of Hydrogen Bonded Organic-Organometallic Solid Compounds



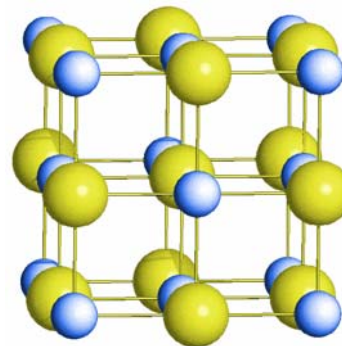
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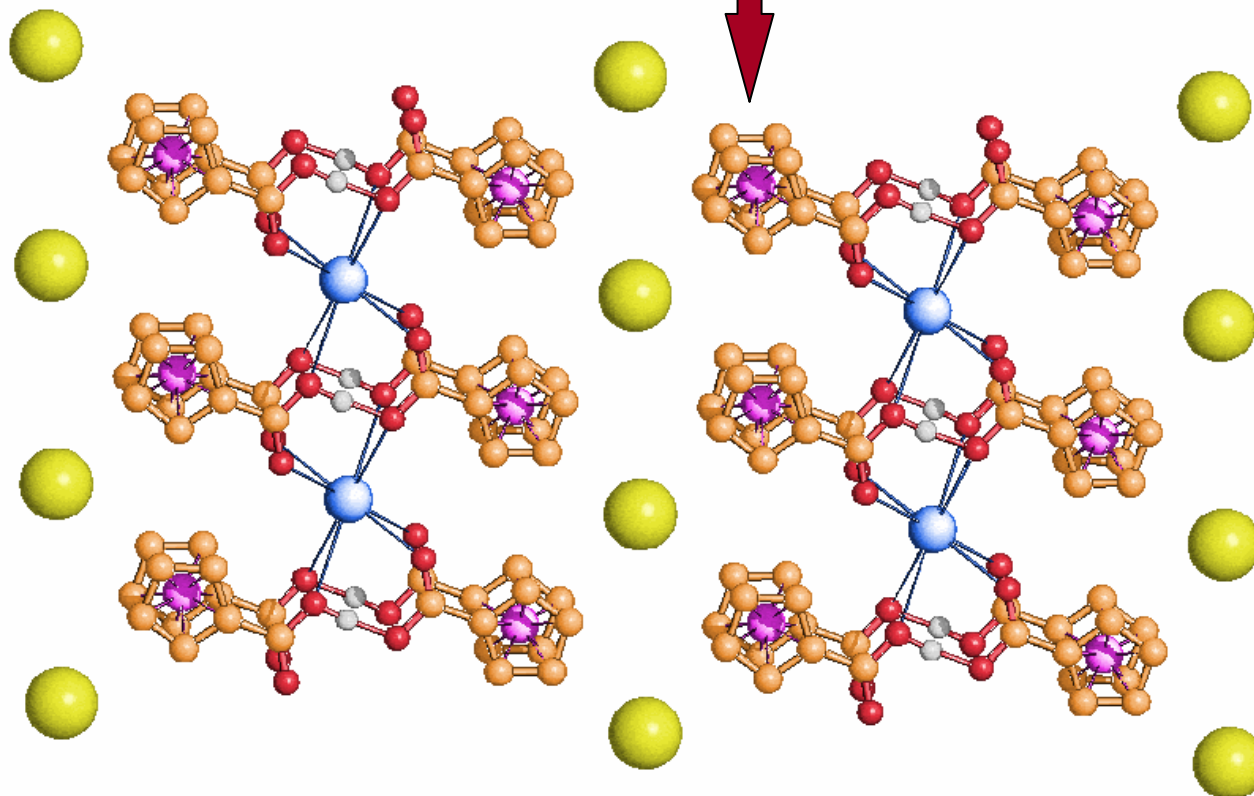
Solid $[\text{Co}^{\text{III}}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{COOH})(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{COO})]$

+

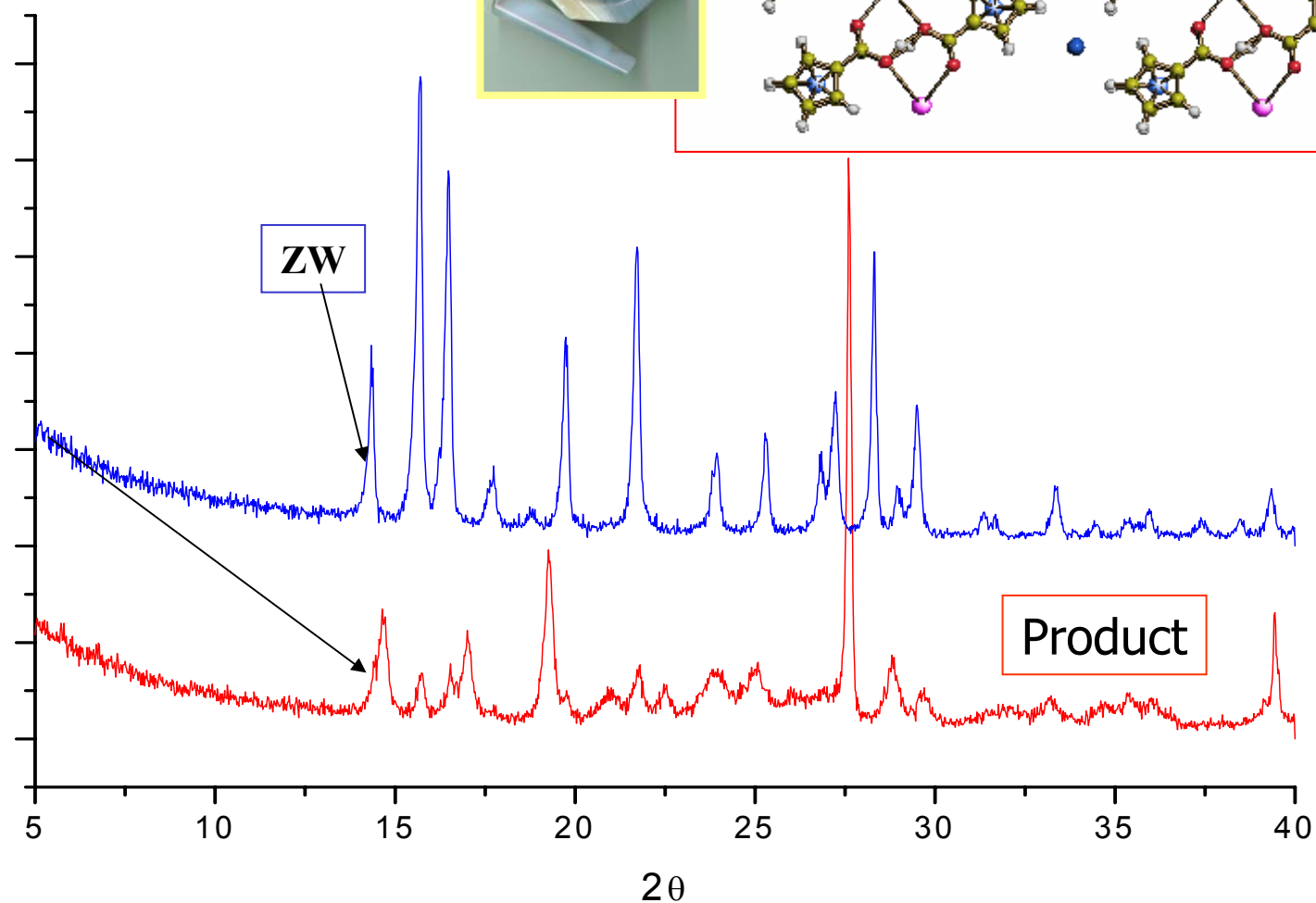
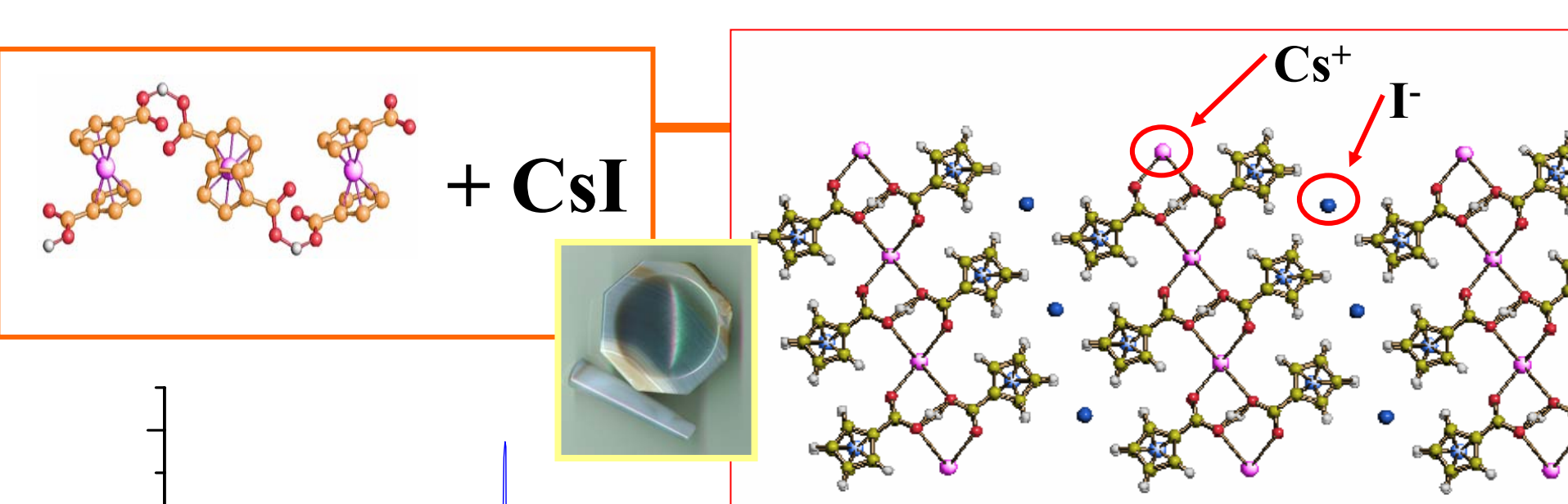


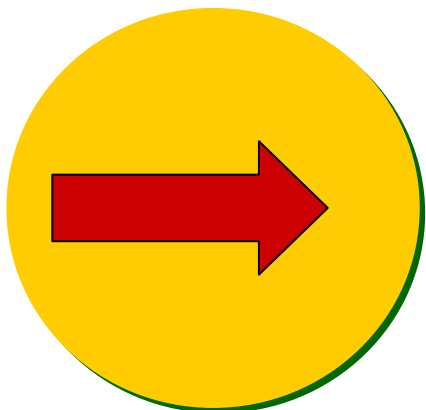
Solid KBr

GRINDING



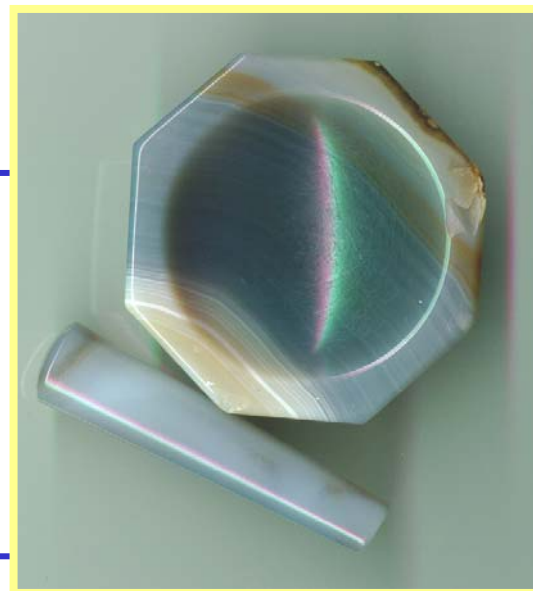
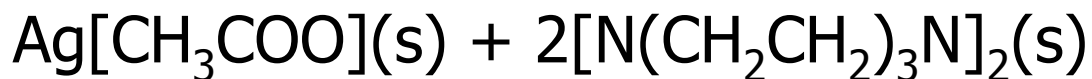
Solid $[\text{Co}^{\text{III}}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{COOH})(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{COO})]_2 \cdot \text{K}^+\text{Br}^-$

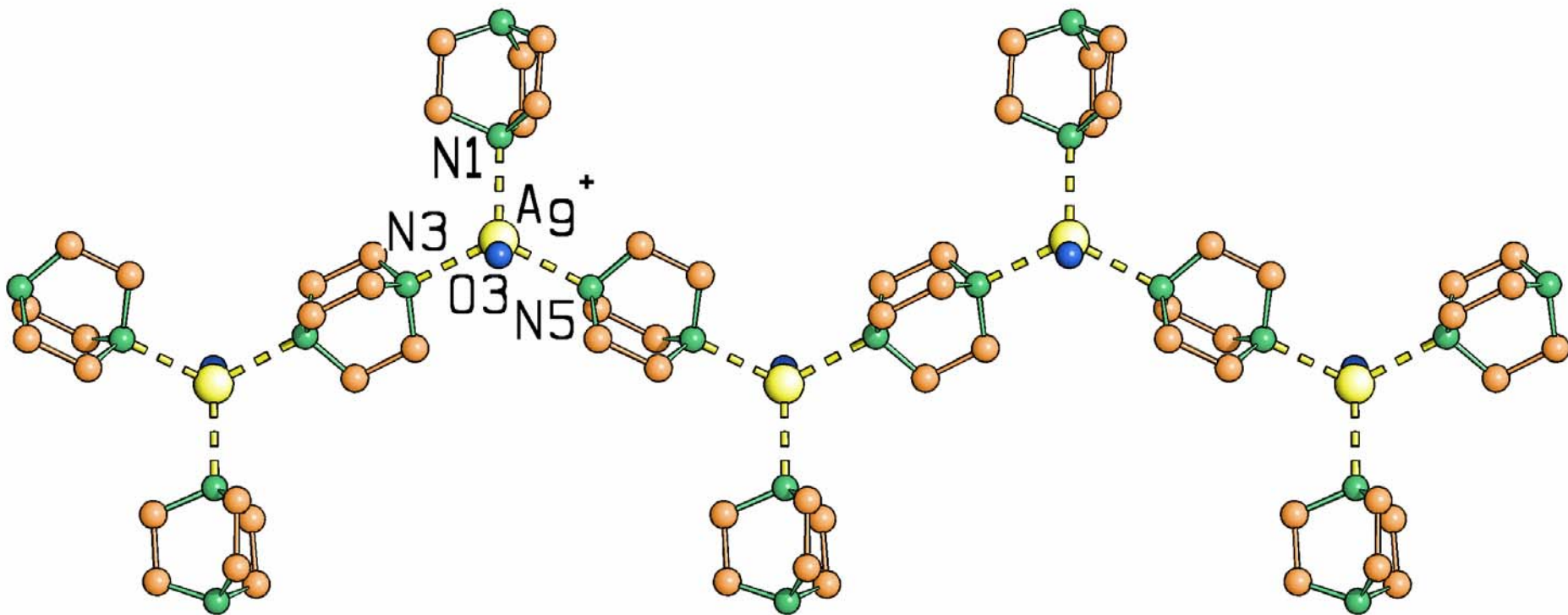




Mechanochemical Preparation of Coordination Polymers

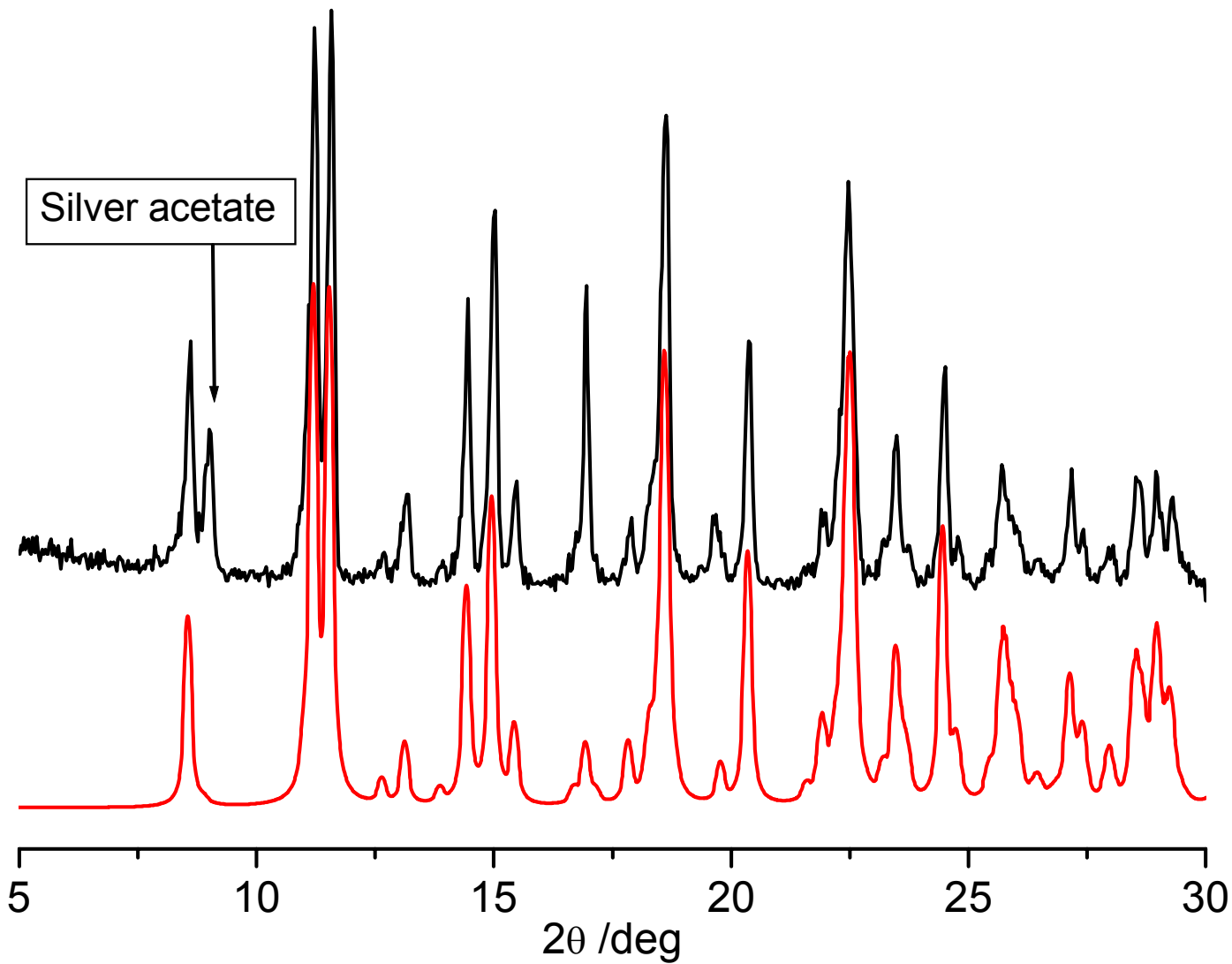
Homo-phase solid-solid reactions



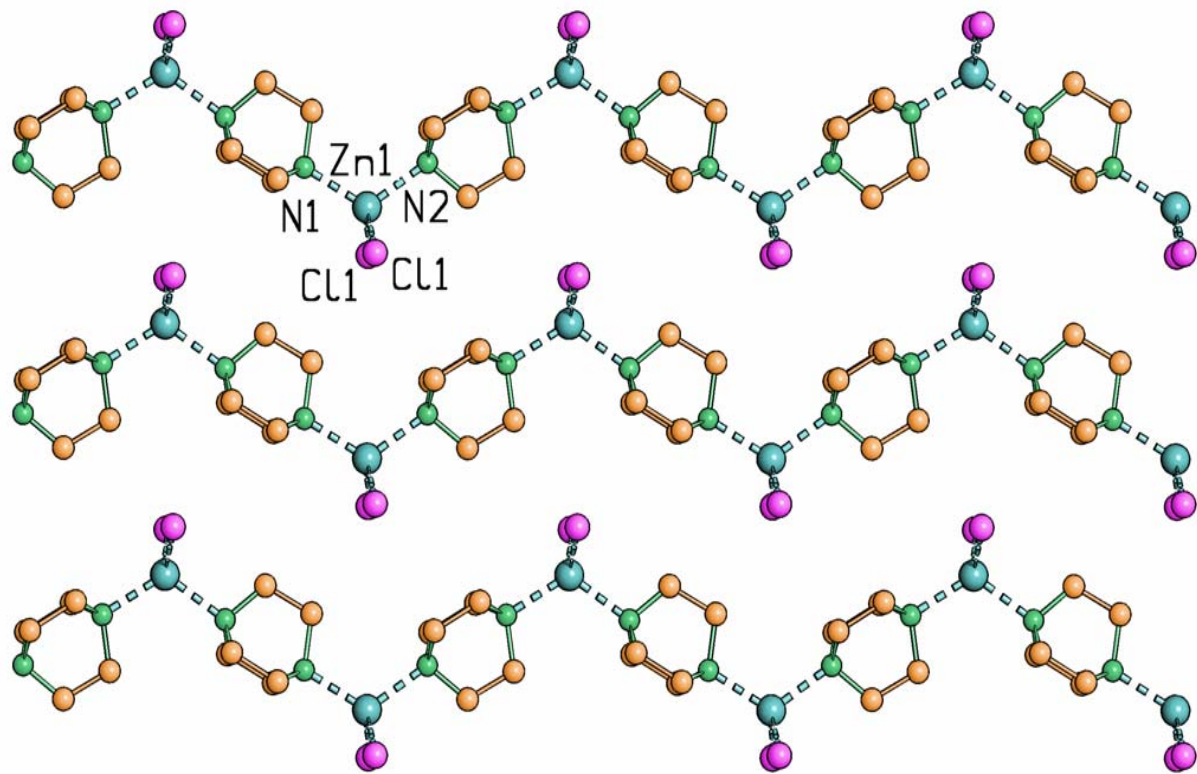


The coordination network in $\text{Ag}[\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}]_2[\text{CH}_3\text{COO}]\cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

The chain of $\text{Ag}^{(+)}\text{---}[\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}]\text{---}\text{Ag}^{(+)}\text{---}[\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}]\text{---}\text{Ag}^{(+)}$ with each silver cation carrying an extra pendant $[\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}]$ ligand and a coordinated water molecule in tetrahedral coordination geometry.



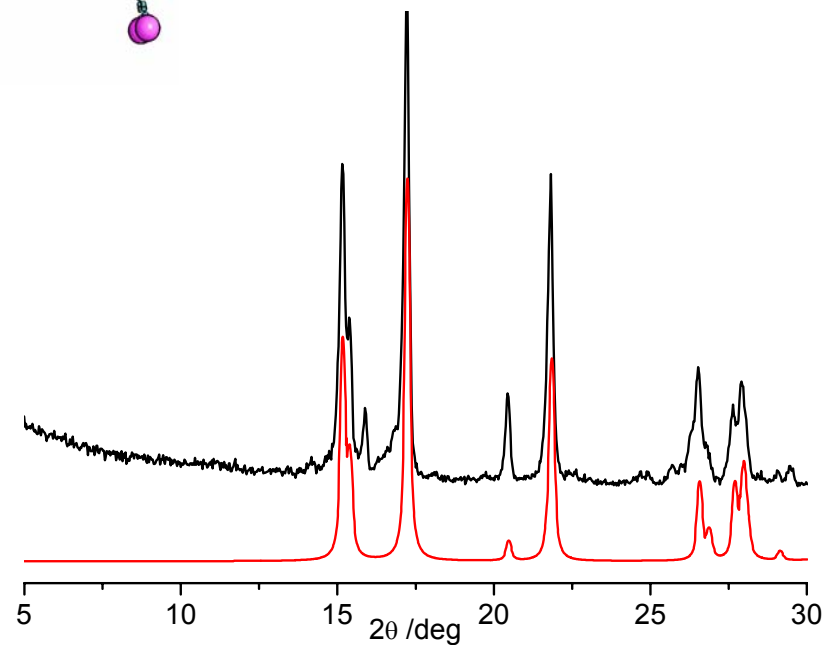
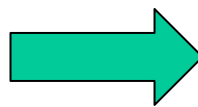
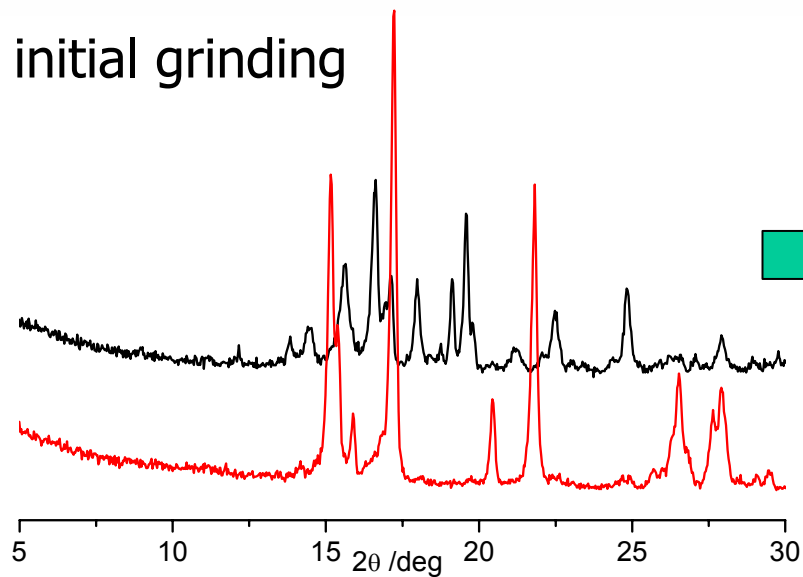
$\text{Ag}[\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}]_2[\text{CH}_3\text{COO}] \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$: comparison between
calculated and measured X-ray powder diffractograms



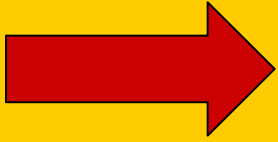
The one-dimensional
coordination network
in crystalline
 $\text{Zn}[\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}]\text{Cl}_2$

10 min "vigorous
grinding"

initial grinding



..tell them what you told them...



- **Solid-gas** and **solid-solid** reactions with/between crystalline molecular solids can be used to make new materials
- **Pros:** easy, unexpensive, often quantitative and lead to thermodynamic products (useful new “tools” for crystal engineering)
- **Cons:** difficult product characterization, requires a combination of solid state techniques (...patience, and good luck!)



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Marco

Fabrizia



Fabrizio



Silvia

Stefano

Giorgiana

Marco



End of
part 2

Il polimorfismo nei farmaci

- 1) Definizioni
- 2) Rilevanza del polimorfismo in campo farmaceutico
Casi "storici"
- 3) La diffrazione di polveri – method of choice
- 4) Esempi tratti dai brevetti attuali
- 5) Pitfalls and shortcomings, pseudopolimorfismo, amorfi etc.

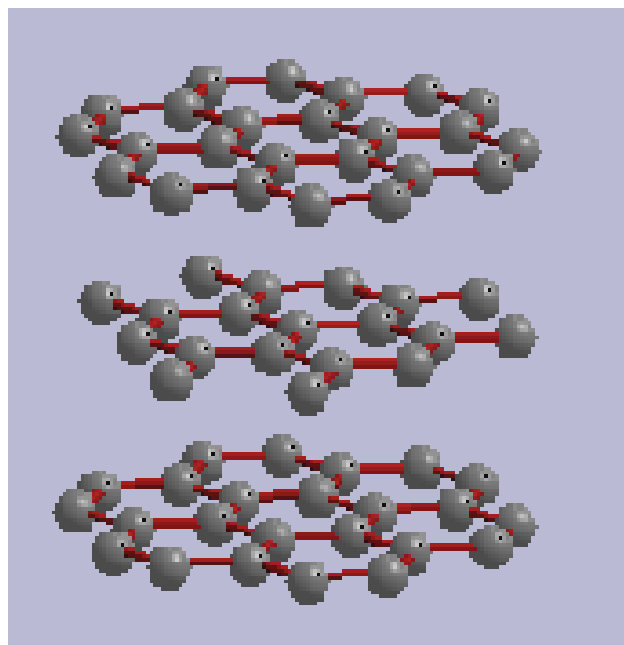
Che cos'è un polimorfo?

***cristalli diversi* della stessa sostanza
sono detti polimorfi***

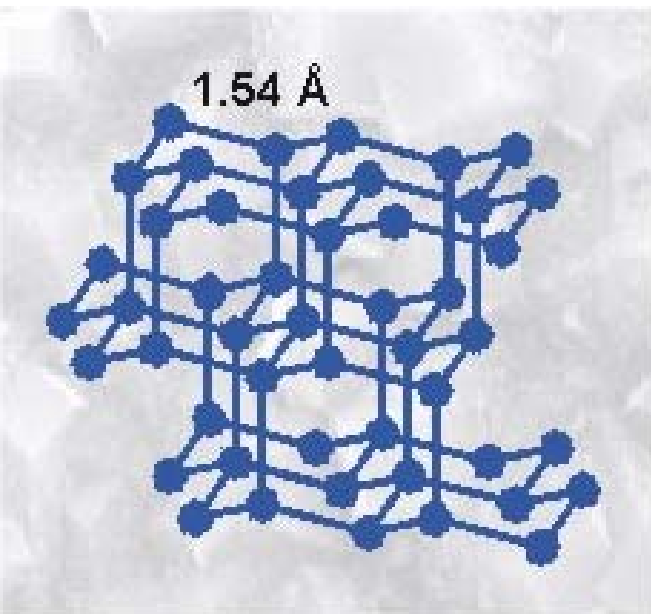
*cristalli diversi = diverse distribuzioni nello spazio delle molecole, ioni o atomi che compongono la sostanza. Se si tratta di elementi, si parla anche di allotropi



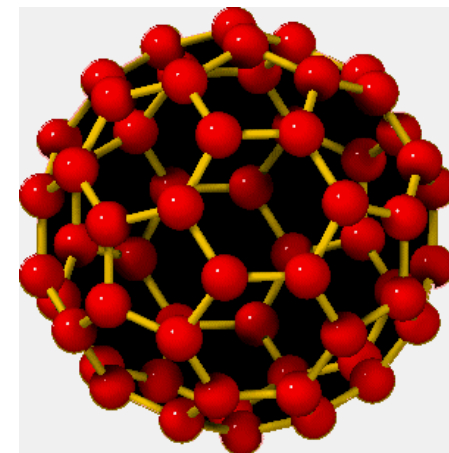
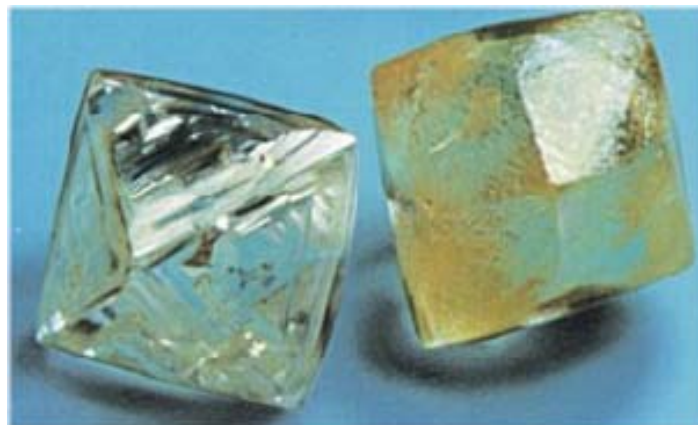
C (grafite)



C (fullerene)



C (diamante)



Chocolate crystals

Form a cocoa mass by fermenting, drying and roasting cocoa beans before removing their shells and grinding the beans

Mix with sugar (and milk)

Refine – grind the particles

Add additional cocoa butter and flavourings

Conch – mix and beat the mixture to let any undesirable volatile flavours escape and to coat all the particles (eg sugar) in chocolate

Temper – heat and cool the chocolate while stirring to ensure that stable crystals form

Cocoa butter is composed of a mixture of saturated and unsaturated fats (triglycerides). Some of the unsaturated triglycerides in cocoa butter have low melting points, making it partly liquid at room temperature.

The fat crystals form polymorphs. The chocolate industry labels these polymorphs forms I to VI and aims to get the cocoa butter to crystallise in a stable form V to give the chocolate a glossy appearance and a good snap.



Which chocolate will bloom first?



Per le caratteristiche richieste agli imballaggi, data la natura dei prodotti da contenere e proteggere, il settore farmaceutico è particolarmente interessato alla commercializzazione di solidi cristallini.

Nel 2002, le confezioni vendute hanno raggiunto un totale di 1.701 milioni, ripartite secondo le diverse tipologie di prodotti:

- forme farmaceutiche liquide (iniettabili, orali, oftalmici, ecc.): 525,5;
- **forme farmaceutiche solide (comprese, capsule, polveri, ecc.): 1.042;**
- altre forme (pomate, gel, spray, ecc.): 133,5.

A Molecular Crystal is formed by chemical entities (molecules or molecular ions) that retain their chemical identity in gas phase and/or in solution

Solid drugs are generally in the form of molecular crystals



Polimorfismo dei farmaci

Se la stessa molecola – il principio attivo – si aggrega in solidi differenti, questi possono comportarsi come farmaci differenti

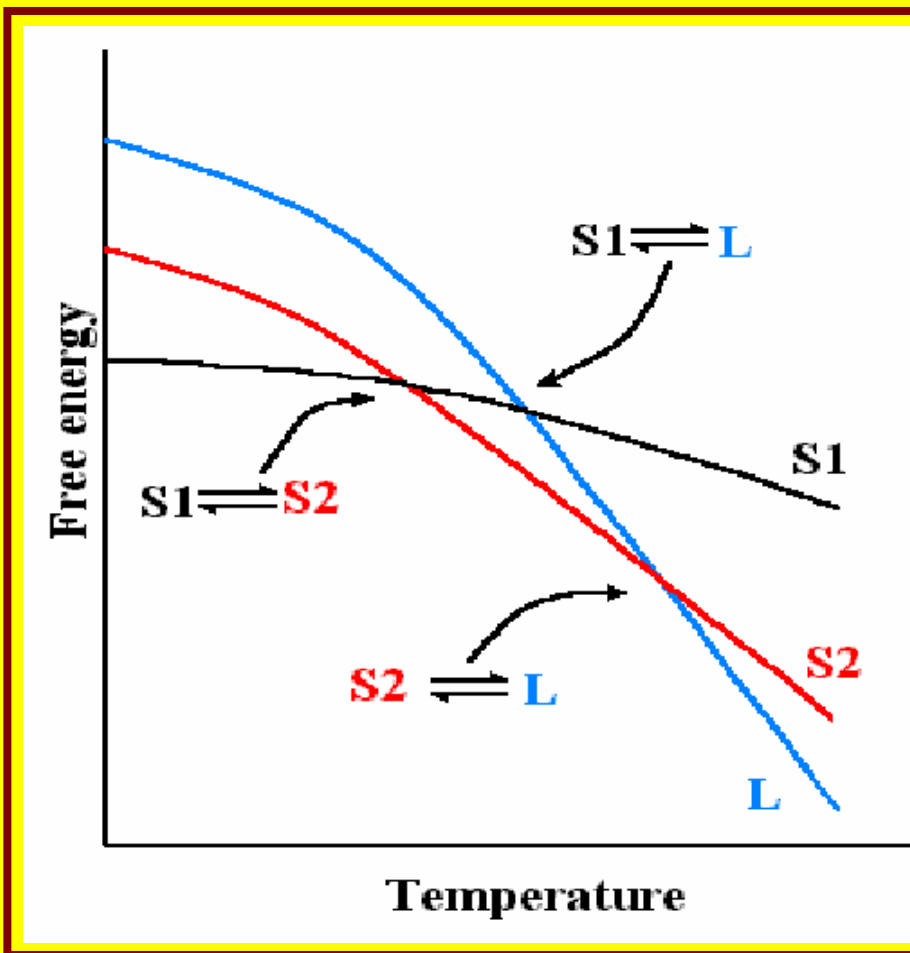
Forme polimorfe dello stesso composto hanno **proprietà differenti** quali:

- Stabilità termica
 - Melting point
 - Granulometria
 - Solubilità (= > biodisponibilità)

Principi attivi solidi:

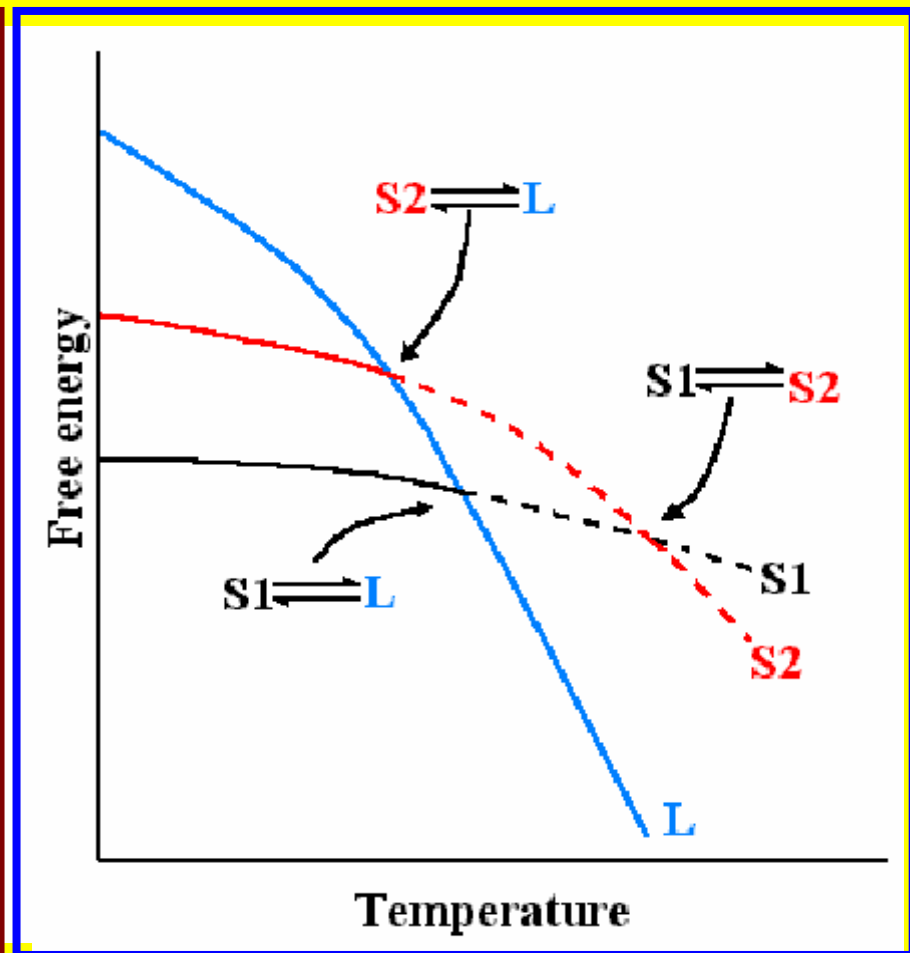
- Più stabili
- Meglio immagazzinabili
- Facilmente trasportabili

ENANTIOTROPIC SYSTEM



*interconversion
before melting*

MONOTROPIC SYSTEM



*melting before the
solid-solid transition*

**Polymorphism:
hystoricals and case
studies**

Disappearing (and reappearing?) Polymorphs

Example: **RITONAVIR**

In the summer of 1998 NORVIR semi-solid capsules supplies were threatened as a result of the appearance of a new much less soluble crystal form of ritonavir.

Ritonavir exhibits conformational polymorphism, the most stable form II can only be obtained from highly supersaturated solutions

Manufacturing problems hit Abbott's HIV drug ritonavir

Ritonavir

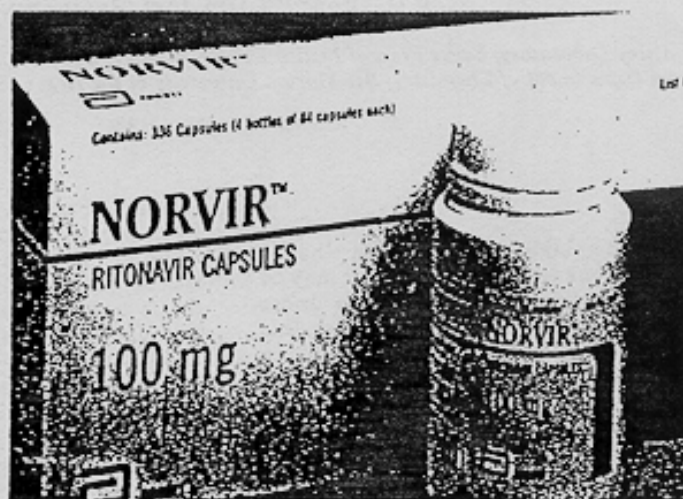
Capsules of Abbott Laboratories' protease inhibitor Norvir (ritonavir) are likely to become unavailable by the middle of August. The company has a problem with the manufacture of the anti-HIV capsules which it cannot resolve at present.

Production of Norvir oral solution is being increased to compensate for the likely capsule shortage. The solution is bioequivalent to the capsule formulation, with the recommended 600mg twice daily dosage of ritonavir corresponding to 7.5ml twice daily of the solution.

There is said to be no problem with the capsules that are already on the market.

The problem relates to "undesirable" crystal formation. Abbott says that a series of recent production batches of Norvir capsules failed the approved test for dissolution, and were not released for marketing. Investigation of the reason for the failure showed the presence of a new crystalline form of ritonavir which affects the way it dissolves, and possibly its absorption. Retained samples from a number of marketed batches of capsules were examined and there was no evidence of the unwanted crystalline form.

Mr Mark Haywood (managing director, Abbott Laboratories) said that teams were



Capsules unlikely to be available from mid-August

working round the clock to try to resolve the issue, but at present the company had no idea why the problem was occurring.

The vast majority of sales of Norvir are of the capsules rather than the oral solution. The solution is normally more expensive than the capsules but Abbott says that, while the capsules are unavailable, the solution will be sold at the capsule price.

Norvir oral solution has a bitter taste. This can be reduced by mixing with chocolate milk, Abbott says.

The company has set up a helpline (0800 0183340) for patients and health professionals. A letter explaining the situation will be given to health professionals for them to issue to patients if they wish.

FDA enquiry on Ritonavir

Q: You are a large multinational company. Your scientists are obviously smart. How could this happen?

A: A company's size and the collective IQ's of their scientists have no relationship to this problem...

.... There are many ***mysteries of Nature*** we have not solved. Hurricanes, for example, continue to occur and often cause massive devastation. Meteorologists cannot predict months in advance when and with what velocity a hurricane will strike a specific community.

Polymorphism is a parallel phenomenon. We know that it will probably happen. But not why or when.

Unfortunately, there is nothing that we can do today to prevent a hurricane from striking any community or polymorphism from striking any drug."

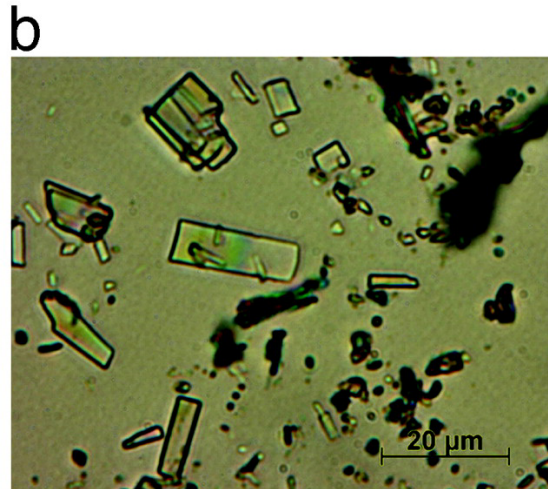
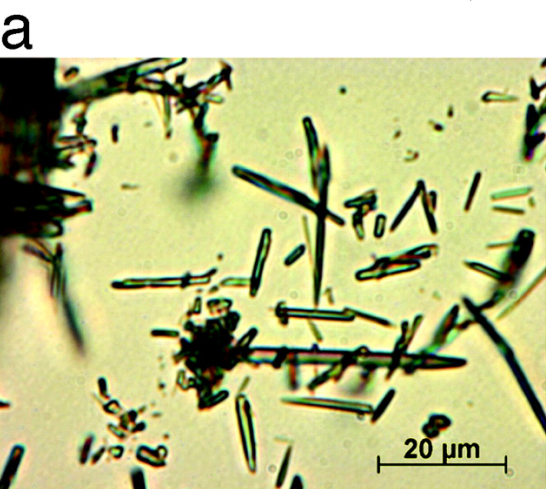
"... We [Abbott] tried everything: we conducted countless experiments. We reconditioned our facilities: We rebuilt facilities and new lines. We looked at alternative sites. We visited a number of other organizations around the World... to see if we could start clean in a new environment free of form II..."

"... In a matter of weeks – maybe five or six weeks, every place became contaminated with form II crystal..."

"... While we have speculated on the cause of this chemical transformation, we don't have conclusive proof what happened..."

Table 2. Comparison of physical parameters of ritonavir crystal forms

Form	Melting point, °C	H_{fus} , J/g	Solid-state structure
I*	122-125*	Δ 78.2	Monoclinic
II*	122	87.8	Orthorhombic
III	78-82	60.3	Monoclinic
IV	116	59.8	Not assigned
V	97	32.0	Monoclinic



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Solubility in ethanol/water (mg/mL)

Form I 170 (75/25)

Form II 30 (75/25)

Disappearing Polymorphs

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Introduction

When a compound exhibits polymorphism—the existence of more than one crystal structure—it may be important to obtain a particular polymorph under controlled and reproducible conditions. However, this is not always easy to achieve. Tales of difficulties in obtaining crystals of a particular known form or in reproducing results from another laboratory (or even from one's own!) abound. Indeed, there are cases where it was difficult to obtain a given polymorphic form even though this had previously been obtained routinely over long time periods. Several monographs contain explicit or passing references to these problems,¹ but much of this lore has gone undocumented, especially in the last 30 years or so. In this Account we present and discuss old and new examples.

Crystallization is a process taken for granted by most practicing chemists; the majority of the techniques were developed long ago and are described in all standard laboratory textbooks. It is the standard method for purifying solid compounds, and chemists generally believe that they can control the process, at least when it yields the desired product. What is disturbing about the phenomenon of disappearing or elusive polymorphs is the apparent loss of control over the process: we did the experiment last week and got this result, and now we cannot repeat it! This kind of statement can lead to raised eyebrows or even to outspoken expressions of disbelief. We have ourselves experienced the frustration of not being able to reproduce an experimental result that was undoubtedly obtained earlier.

instance, Faraday² observed that molten sulfur in a flask cooled to room temperature did not entirely solidify. When a drop of the fluid material was touched, it immediately crystallized; untouched, some drops were retained for a week in the fluid state. Faraday noted that this supercooled state of sulfur is analogous to that of water cooled below its freezing point, although the temperature difference is much greater (the freezing point of sulfur is 119 °C); De Coppet found that samples of salol (phenyl salicylate) could be kept in the liquid state at room temperature for periods of several years.³ When nucleation is rapid, the formation of many nuclei leads to many crystals, whereas slow nucleation tends to produce a smaller number of larger crystals. Of course, stirring, shaking, or other disturbances of the liquid phase during the crystallization process can affect the outcome.

A striking case where nucleation was decisive in determining the result of a crystallization experiment has been described recently.⁴ Sodium chlorate (NaClO₃) crystallizes in the chiral space group *P*2₁3; that is to say, individual crystals of this substance may occur in enantiomorphic forms. Normally, crystallization from solution produces the enantiomorphs in roughly equal numbers. Kondepudi, Kaufman, and Singh⁵ found, however, that stirring an aqueous solution of this substance leads to a predominance of

Tipi di brevetto (briefing)

DI PRODOTTO: protegge il prodotto in tutte le sue applicazioni indipendentemente da come viene ottenuto

DI PROCESSO: protegge il prodotto solo se preparato con il processo descritto

DI ATTIVITÀ TERAPEUTICA: protegge l'uso specifico del prodotto

DI FORMULAZIONE FARMACEUTICA: protegge la specifica composizione rivendicata

Per uno stesso prodotto possono coesistere brevetti di processo, di attività e di formulazione ognuno con vita autonoma, anche se saranno sempre ***dominati dal brevetto di prodotto.***

Sono considerati **prodotti diversi:** gli isomeri ottici, gli isomeri geometrici, **i differenti polimorfi**

Types of Polymorphs

***International Conference on Harmonization (ICH)
Guideline Q6A:***

Specifications for new drug substances and Products: October 1999

Polymorphism INCLUDES

Single entity polymorphs

Molecular Adducts (solvates, hydrates)

Amorphous forms (!)

Tempo di vita di un brevetto

Italia	Europa	US
DEPOSIZIONE	DEPOSIZIONE	DEPOSIZIONE
18 mesi	6 mesi	6 mesi
PUBBLICAZIONE	PUBBLICAZIONE	
	2-5 anni	2-5 anni
CONCESSIONE	CONCESSIONE	PUBBLICAZIONE CONCESSIONE
SCADENZA	SCADENZA	SCADENZA
20 anni totali dalla concessione	5 anni max	in funzione tempi FDA
ESTENSIONE	ESTENSIONE	ESTENSIONE



**20
anni**

Il periodo di copertura brevettuale – nel caso dei farmaci – include un **periodo di compensazione per il tempo richiesto per la sperimentazione** del farmaco prima della immissione sul mercato

Il **Supplementary Protection Certificate** (CEE n.1768 del 1992) è uguale al periodo, detratto di 5 anni, compreso fra la data della deposizione e la concessione all'immissione in commercio del prodotto; l'estensione non può comunque avere durata superiore ai 5 anni

La scoperta e la commercializzazione di un nuovo farmaco è molto onerosa sotto il profilo economico-finanziario e con risultati caratterizzati da elevata incertezza.

- **Tempi di sviluppo lunghissimi (in media 12 anni)**
- **Costi elevatissimi**
- **Durata effettiva del "monopolio" di brevetto ca. 8 anni**

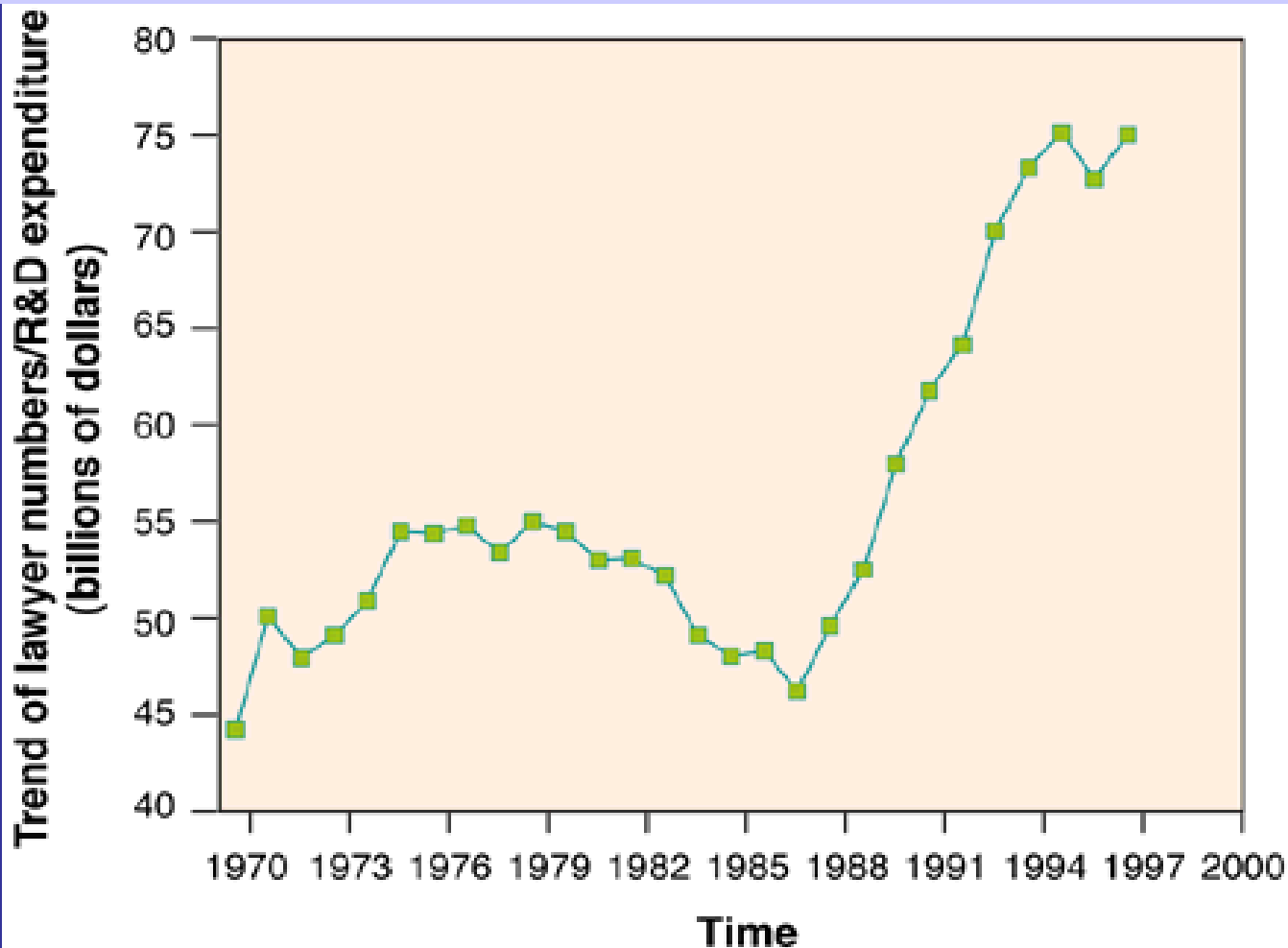
Durante questo periodo l'inventore deve assicurarsi che il prodotto gli consenta di recuperare non solo l'investimento in ricerca necessario per l'ingresso sul mercato, ma anche tutti gli investimenti su altri prodotti che, durante le fasi della ricerca, non hanno superato le prove sperimentali (e non sono perciò divenuti farmaci) (Mossialos, 1993).

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Reforming the Patent System

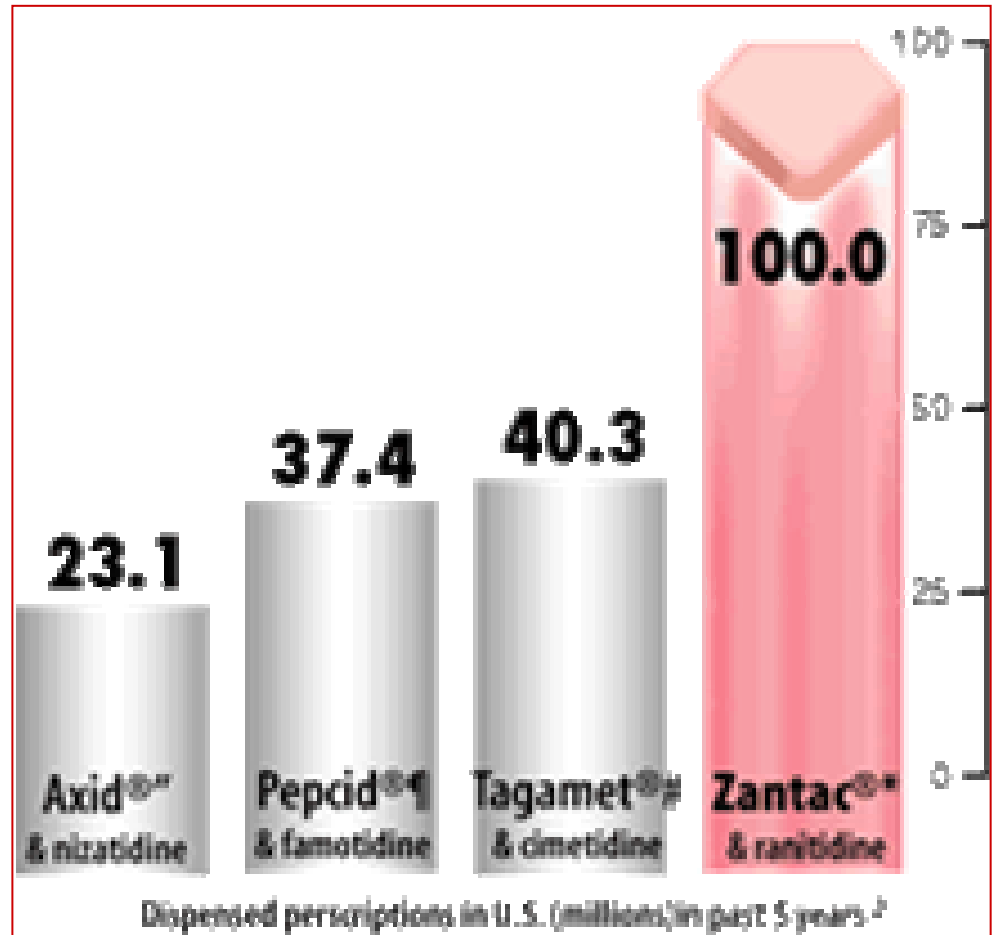
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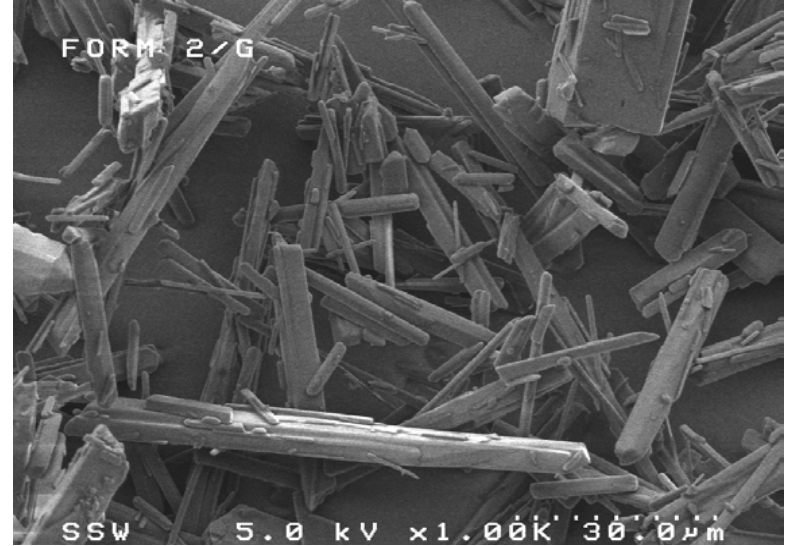
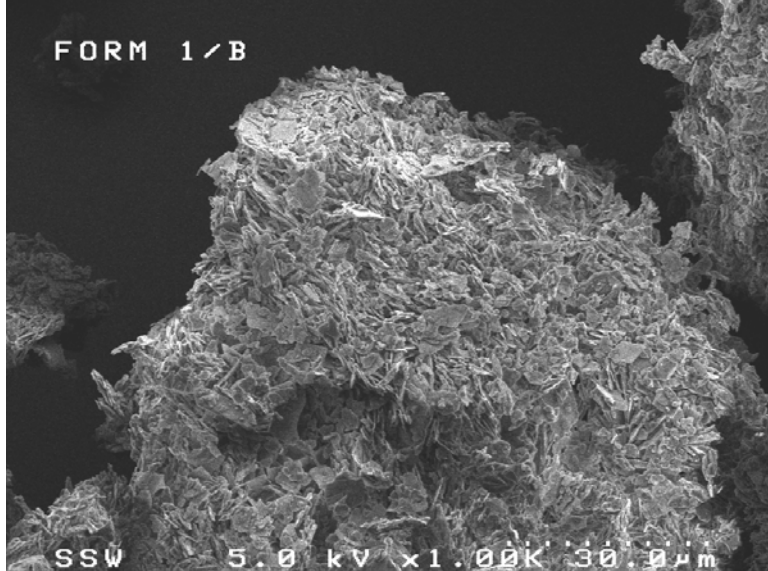
The number of intellectual property lawyers in the United States is growing faster than the amount of research (see figure). This suggests that legal costs are growing as well-and these costs are substantial; lawyer's costs alone approach \$10,000 to obtain a patent and \$1.5 million (per side) to litigate a patent.



Numbers of intellectual property lawyers per unit of research expenditures in billions of dollars

Zantac is the name brand version of **Ranitidine** which is used to treat and prevent the recurrence of ulcers and to treat other conditions where the stomach makes too much acid. Ranitidine also is used to treat or prevent occasional heartburn, acid indigestion, or sour stomach. It decreases the amount of acid made in the stomach.





GLAXO VS. NOVOFARM

FORM I was patented in 1978, FORM II was discovered and patented in 1981

Hence, from 1995 (at the time 17 years for patents in US) form I could be sold without patent infringement as a generic drug

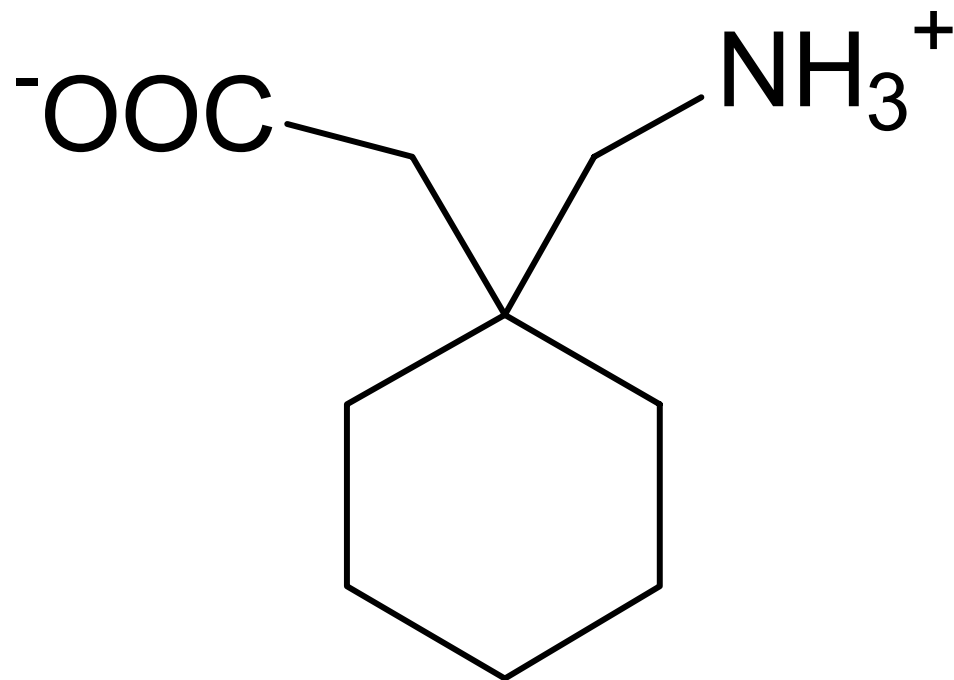
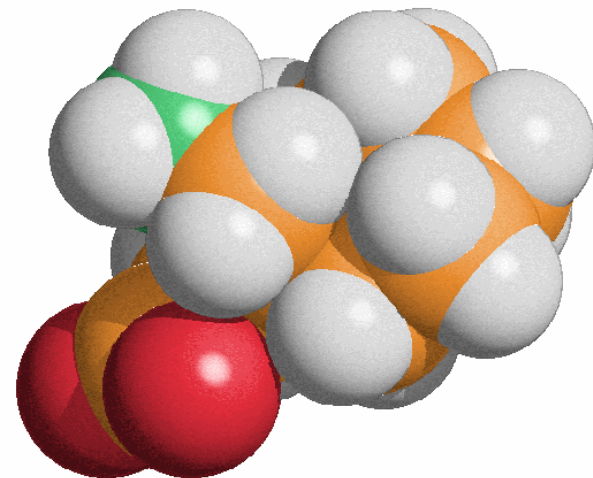
Novofarm attempted preparation of form I but could only get form II, GLAXO sued Novofarm for patent infringement – Novofarm claimed that the patent on form II was not valid because it was not possible to prepare form I according to the patent obtaining invariably form II

GLAXO successfully demonstrated that form I could indeed be obtained

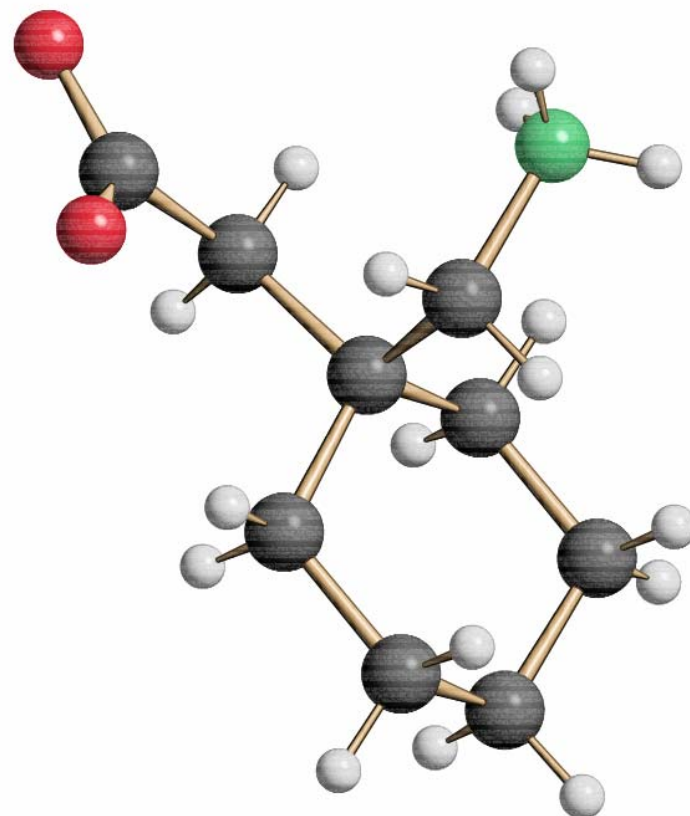
Novofarm then patented a *new process* to obtain form I, GLAXO sued Novofarm claiming that the product contained also form II (covered by the recent patent)

The court granted marketing permission to Novofarm because form II – if present – was present as in impurity in a mixture composed primarily of form I

Gabapentina



Acido 1 aminoetil-1cicloesanacetico



Gabapentina

United States Patent [19]

Satzinger et al.

[11] **4,024,175**

[45] **May 17, 1977**

[54] **CYCLIC AMINO ACIDS**

[75] **Inventors:** Gerhard Satzinger, Denzlingen;
Johannes Hartenstein, Wittental;
Manfred Herrmann, St. Peter;
Wolfgang Heldt, Wasser, all of
Germany

[73] **Assignee:** Warner-Lambert Company, Morris
Plains, N.J.

[22] **Filed:** Dec. 31, 1975

[21] **Appl. No.:** 645,724

[30] **Foreign Application Priority Data**

Dec. 21, 1974 Germany 2460891

[51] **Int. Cl.³** C07C 101/04; C07C 101/18

[58] **Field of Search** 260/514 J, 468 J

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Primary Examiner—Robert Gerstl

Attorney, Agent, or Firm—Albert H. Graddis; Frank S.
Chow; George M. Yahwak

[57] **ABSTRACT**

The present invention is concerned with new cyclic
amino acids and with the preparation thereof.

11 Claims, No Drawings

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S; 424/319





US006255526B1

(12) **United States Patent**
Pesachovich et al.

(10) **Patent No.:** **US 6,255,526 B1**
(45) **Date of Patent:** ***Jul. 3, 2001**

(54) **PREPARATION OF GABAPENTIN**

(75) **Inventors:** **Michael Pesachovich**, Givat Shmuel;
Claude Singer, Kfar Saba; **Gideon Pilarski**, Holon, all of (IL)

(73) **Assignee:** **Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd.**,
Petah Tikva (IL)

(*) **Notice:** This patent issued on a continued prosecution application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(d), and is subject to the twenty year patent term provisions of 35 U.S.C.

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

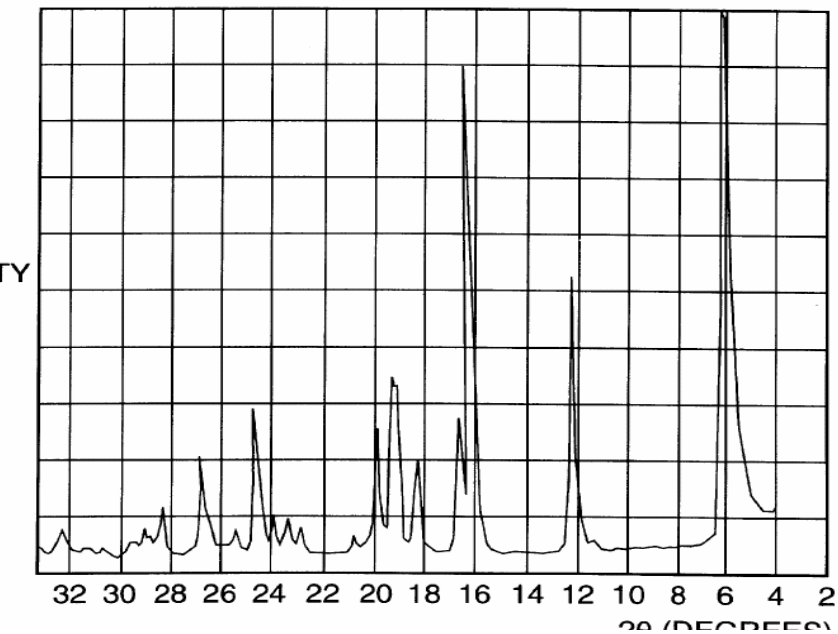
Nel brevetto '175 del 1977 viene rivendicata la preparazione e la caratterizzazione di una forma cristallina anidra della gabapentina (chiamata forma II)

A partire dal 1997 è quindi possibile produrre e commercializzare la forma II come generico

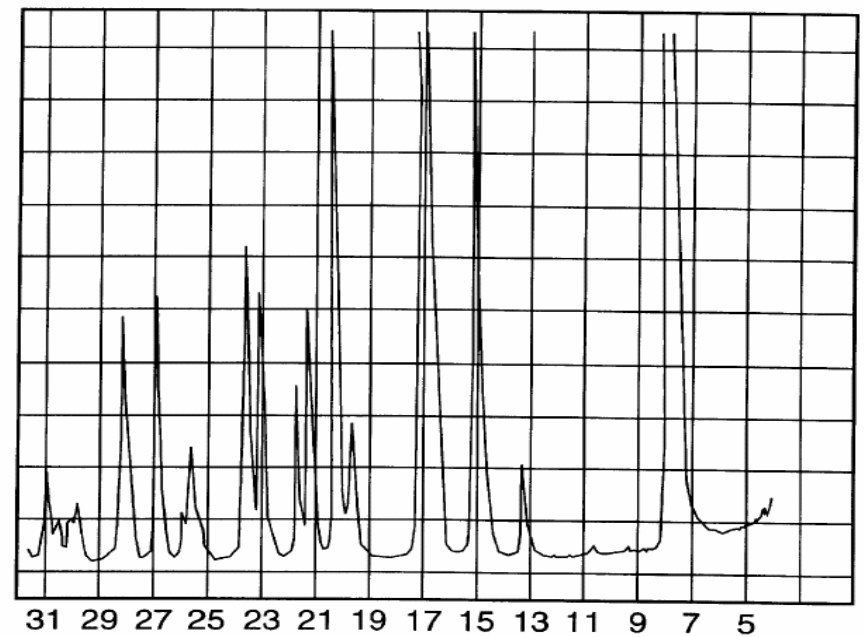
Nel 1999 e nel 2001 vengono brevettati (TEVA) (a) un nuovo processo per produrre la forma II, (b) una nuova forma anidra (III), e (c) una forma monoidrata

E' quindi essenziale caratterizzare il prodotto del fornitore di gabapentina generica come forma II per non incorrere nel "patent infringement" dei nuovi brevetti

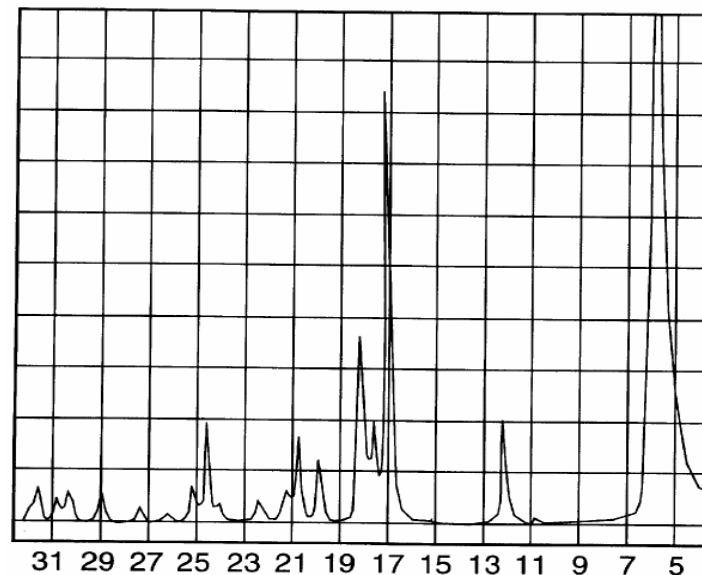
Gabapentina monoidrata
(brevetto del 1990) – forma I



Gabapentina anidra (forma II)
brevetto del 1977



Gabapentina forma
III anidra



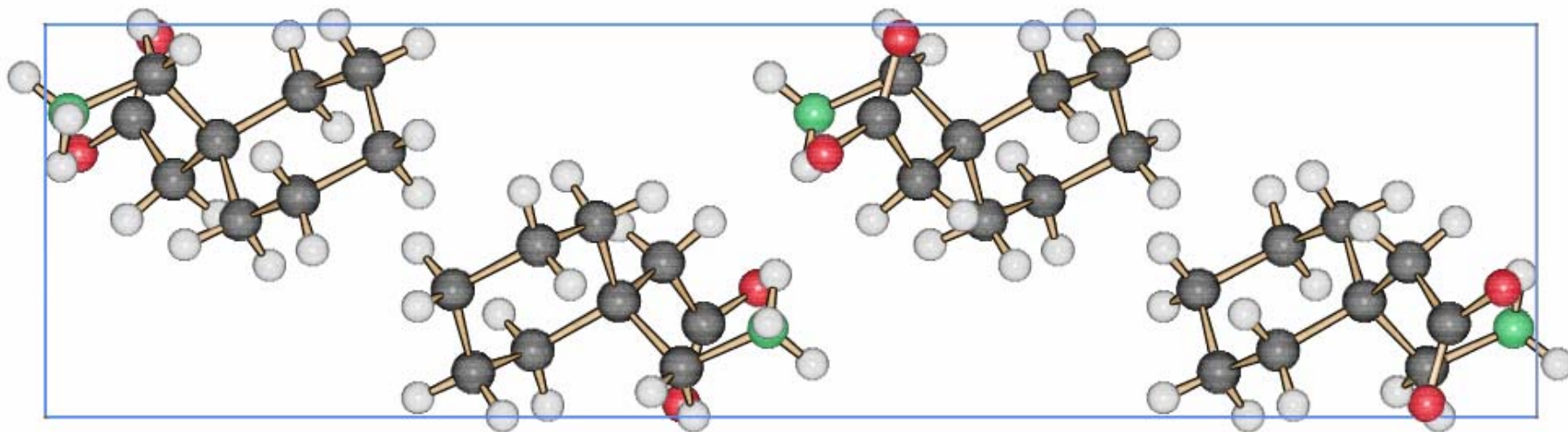
Dati cristallografici – forma II

Monoclino $P2_1/c$

$a = 5.8842(12) \text{ \AA}$ $b = 6.9155(14) \text{ \AA}$ $c = 22.414(5) \text{ \AA}$

$\beta = 90.01(3)^\circ$

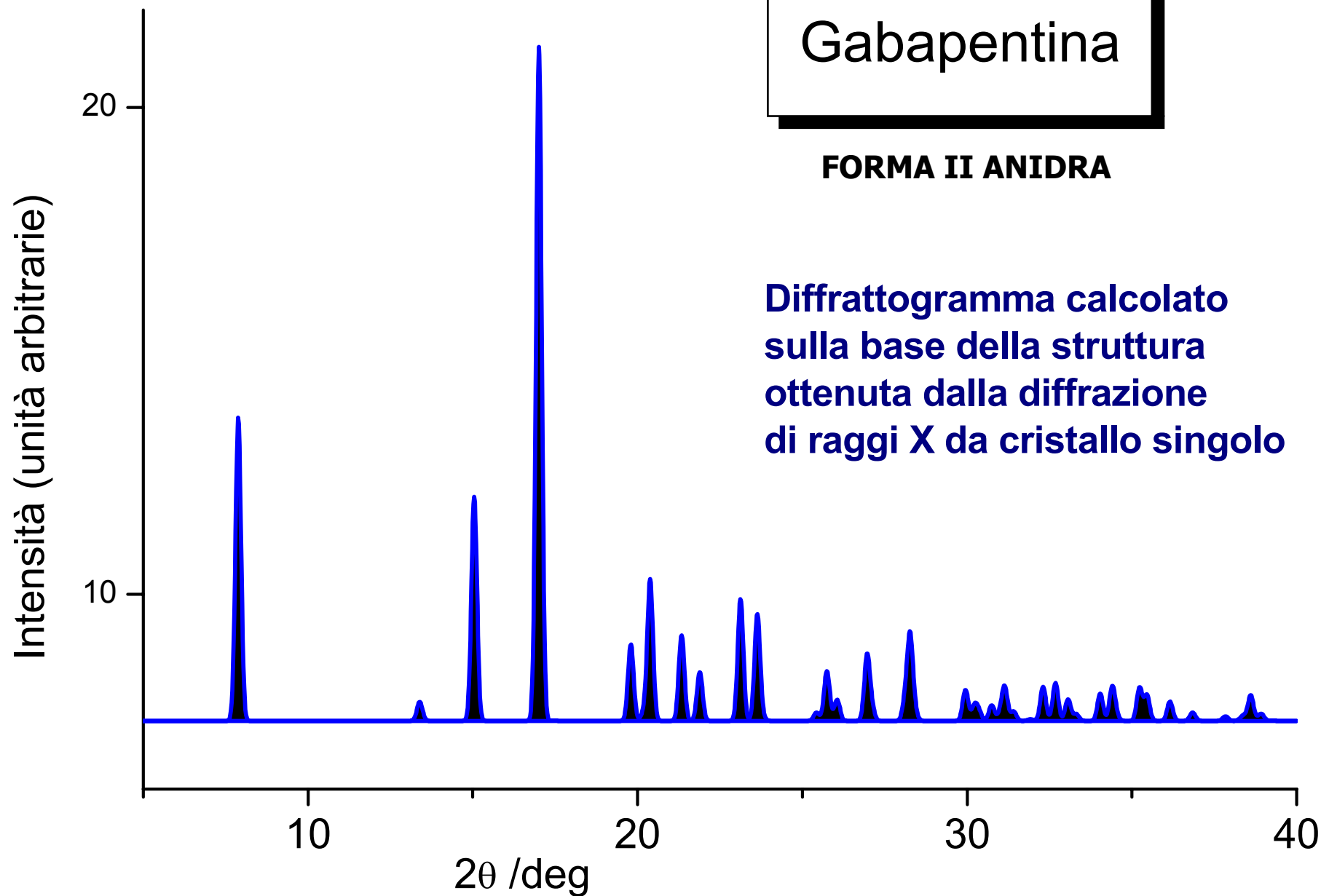
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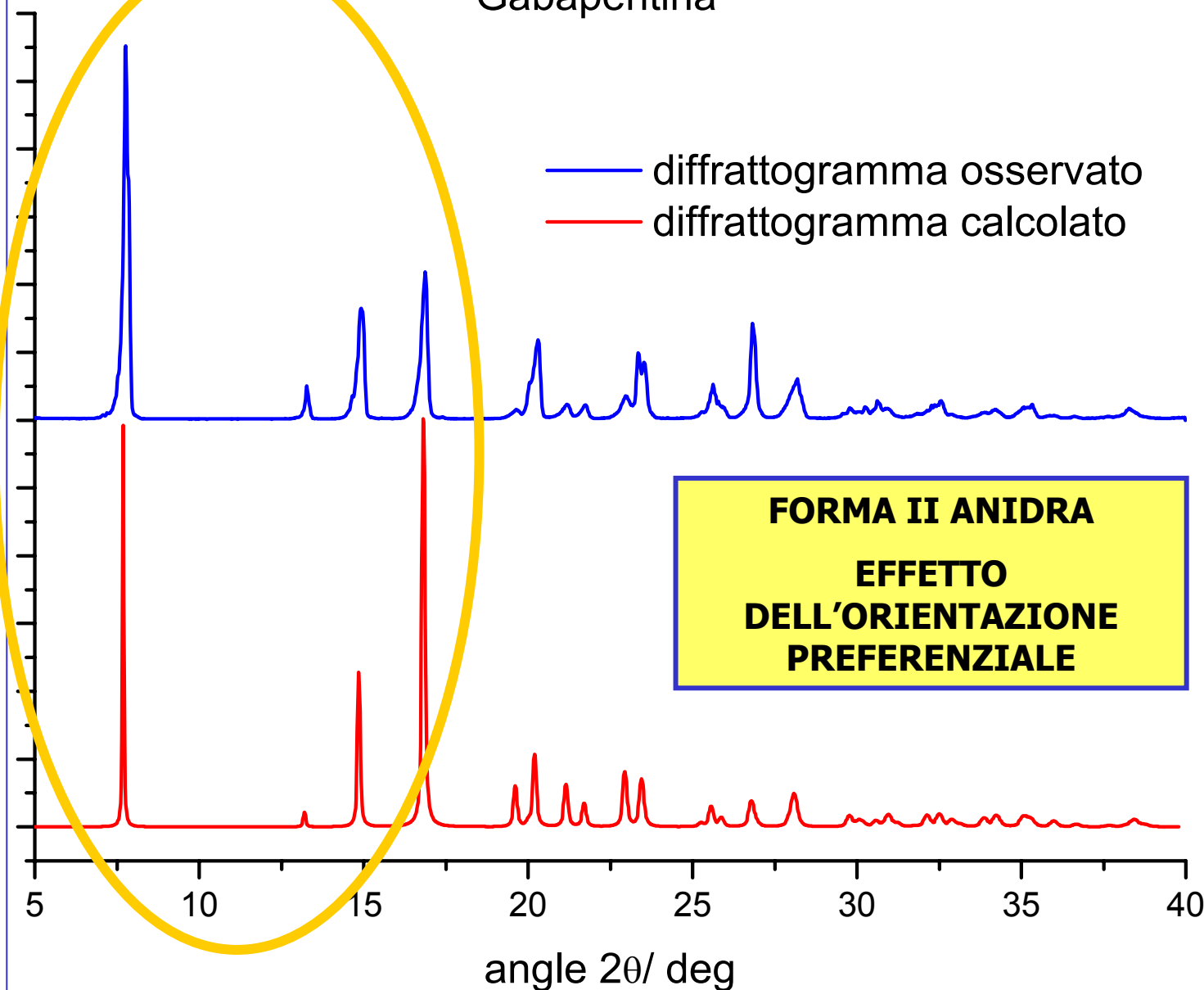
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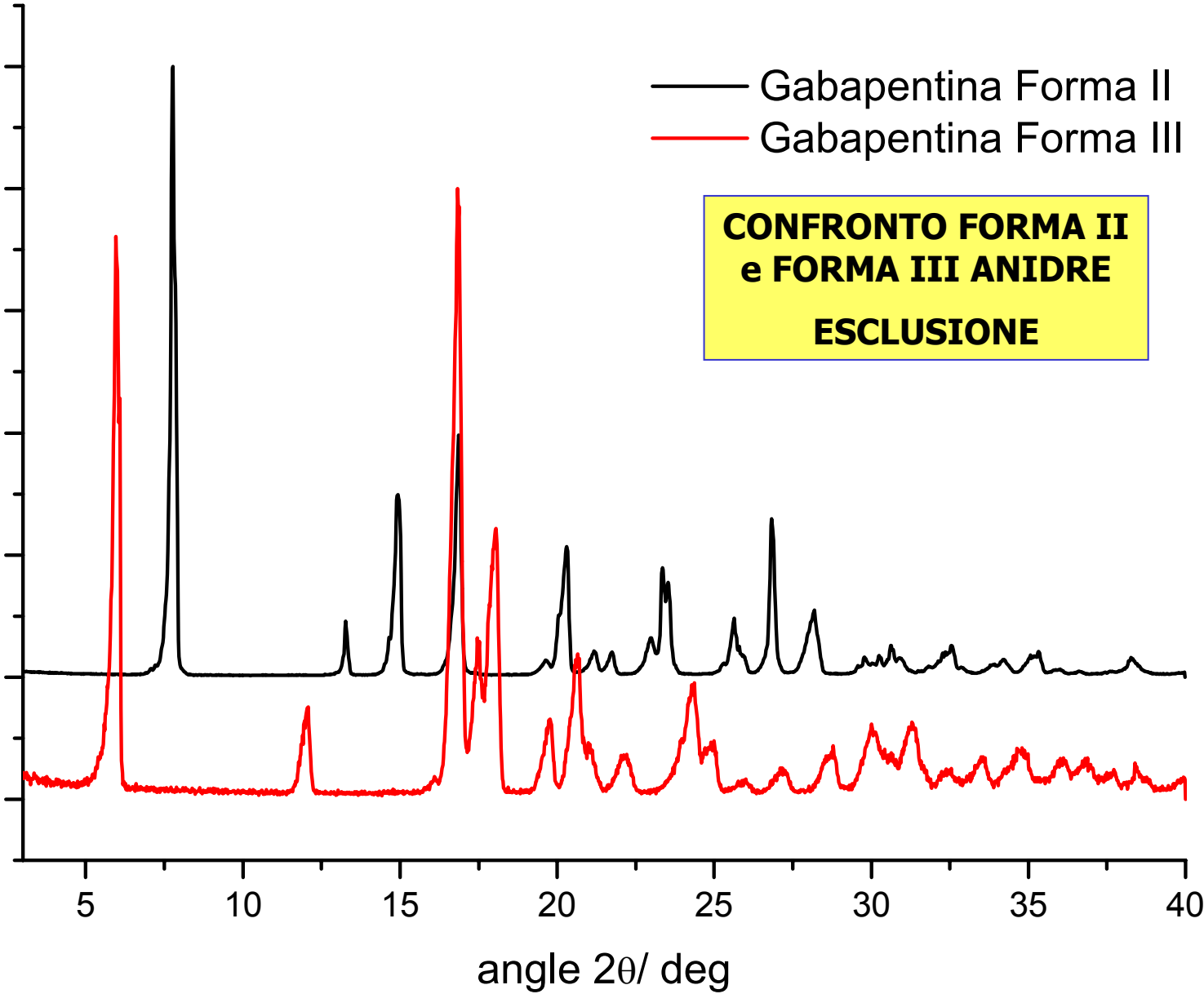


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— diffrattogramma calcolato

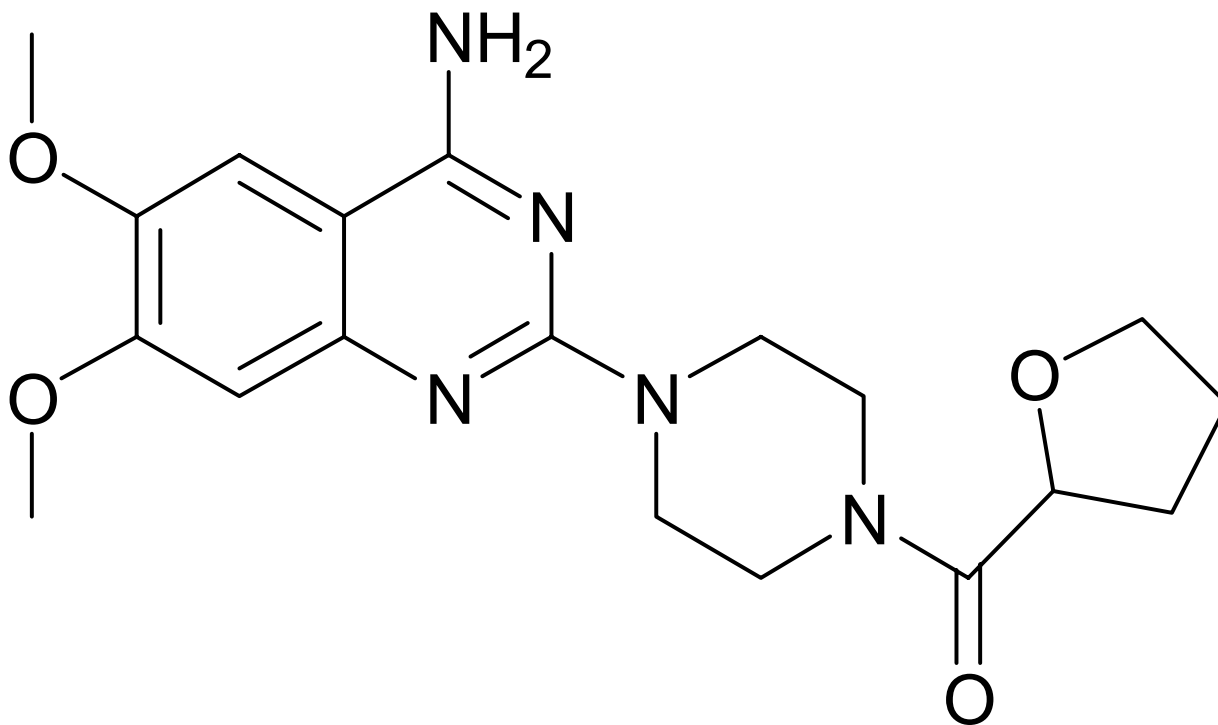
FORMA II ANIDRA
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DELL'ORIENTAZIONE
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TERAZOSIN HCL

Developed by Abbott for treatment of hypertension and PBH and marketed as dihydrate as HYTRIN since 1987 (patent 4,026,894)



• HCl

United States Patent 4,026,894

Winn , et al.

May 31, 1977

Abstract Described are antihypertensive agents selected from the class consisting of 2[4(tetrahydro-2-furoyl)-piperazino]-4-amino-6,7-dimethoxyquinazoline and 2-[4(tetrahydropyran-2-carbonyl)-piperazinyl]-4-amino-6,7-dimethoxyquinazoline, and pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts thereof. The compounds are highly water soluble and can be administered in time release form as well as parenterally, including intravenously.

Abbott Laboratories (North Chicago, IL)

United States Patent 5,504,207

Mannino , et al.

April 2, 1996

Abstract A process for the preparation of 1-(4-amino-6,7-dimethoxy-2-quinazoliny)-4-(2-tetrahydrofuroyl)piperazine hydrochloride (terazosin hydrochloride dihydrate) comprises the steps of reacting 4-amino-2-chloro-6,7-dimethoxy-quinazoline with N-(2-tetrahydrofuroyl)piperazine in an anhydrous polar organic solvent in the absence of an added acid scavenger to produce anhydrous 1-(4-amino-6,7-dimethoxy-2-quinazoliny)-4-(2-tetrahydrofuroyl)piperazine hydrochloride (**Form IV**) and thereafter converting the product of that step to 1-(4-amino-6,7-dimethoxy-2-quinazoliny)-4-(2-tetrahydrofuroyl)-piperazine hydrochloride dihydrate.

Assignee:

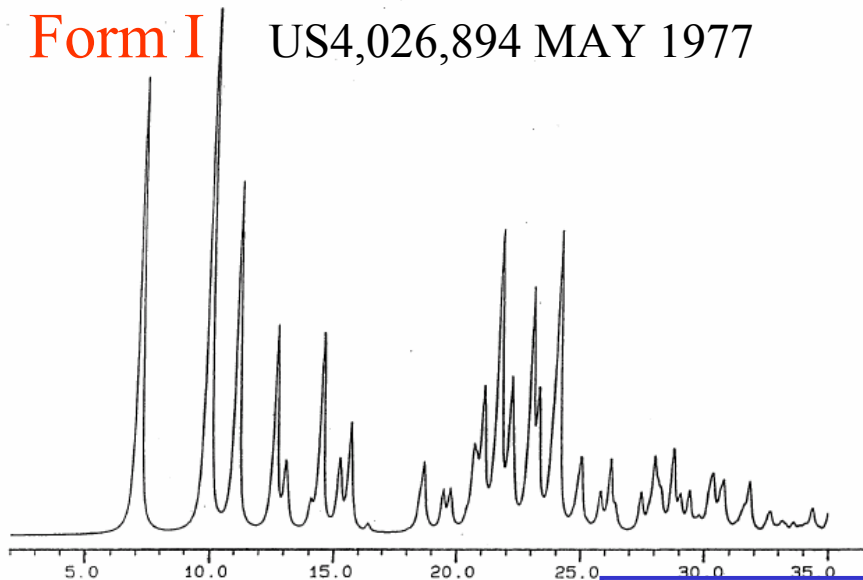
Abbott Laboratories (Abbott Park, IL)

After elapsing of the 4,026,894, Geneva and others entered the market of TERAZOSIN with an anhydrous form (form I) not covered by the subsequent 5,504,207 patent

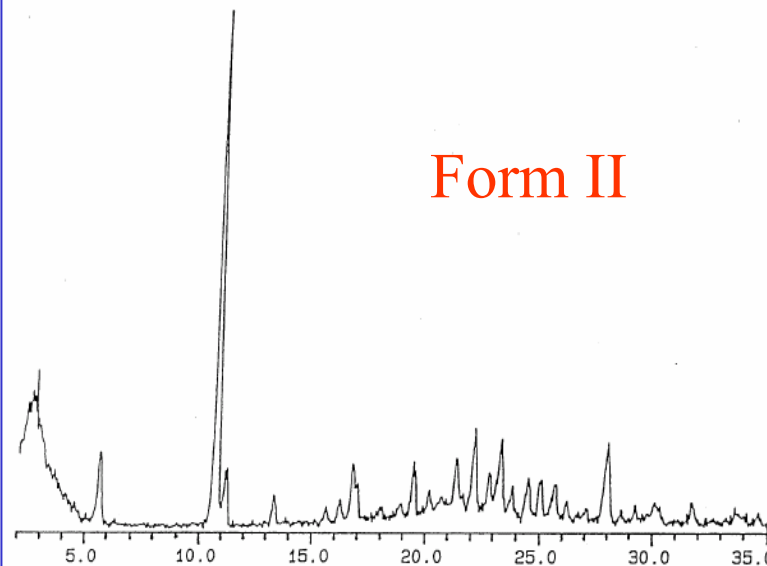
Abbott sued Geneva and others saying that form I was instead form IV covered by the 5,504,207

Abbott lost the trial because Geneva could demonstrate that form IV was on sale in US BEFORE the '207 patent was issued!

Form I US4,026,894 MAY 1977

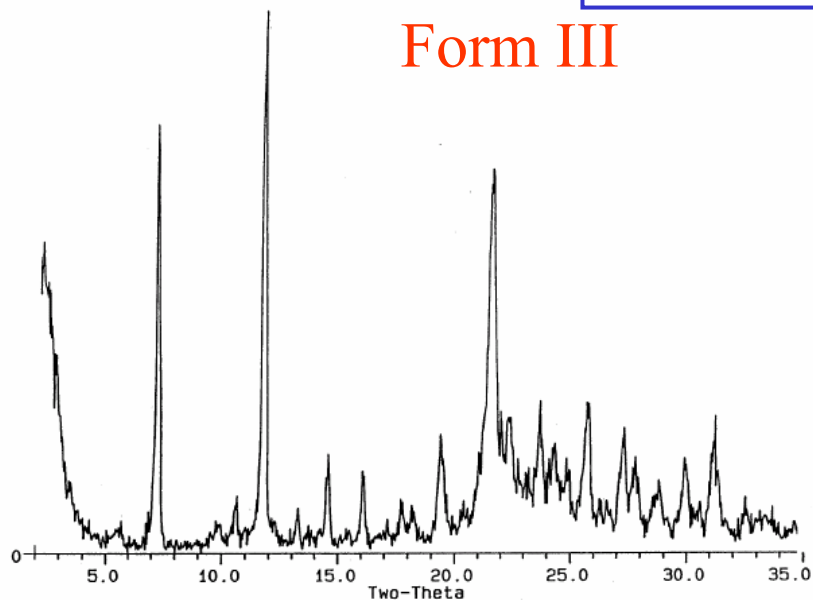


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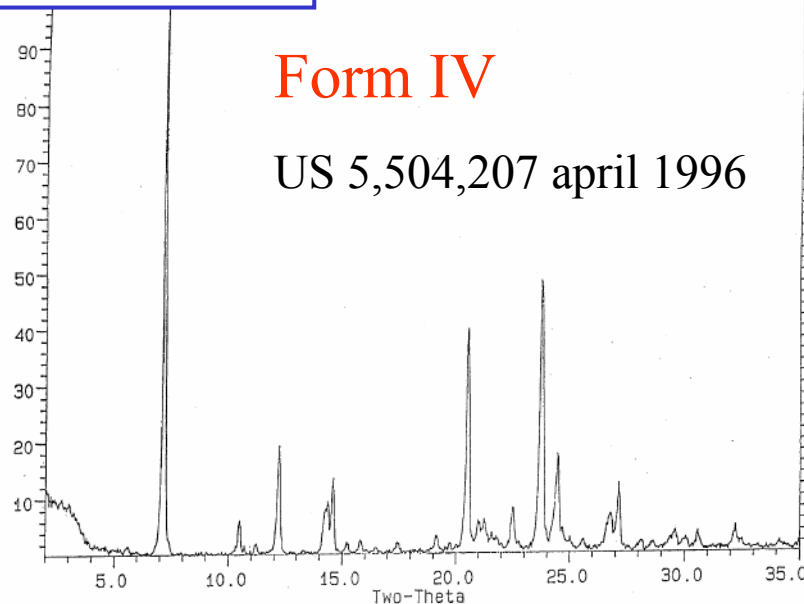
TERAZOSIN HCL

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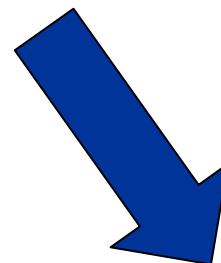
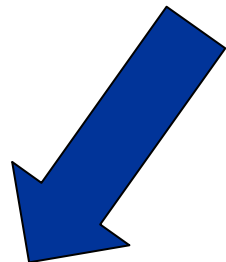
Form IV

US 5,504,207 april 1996



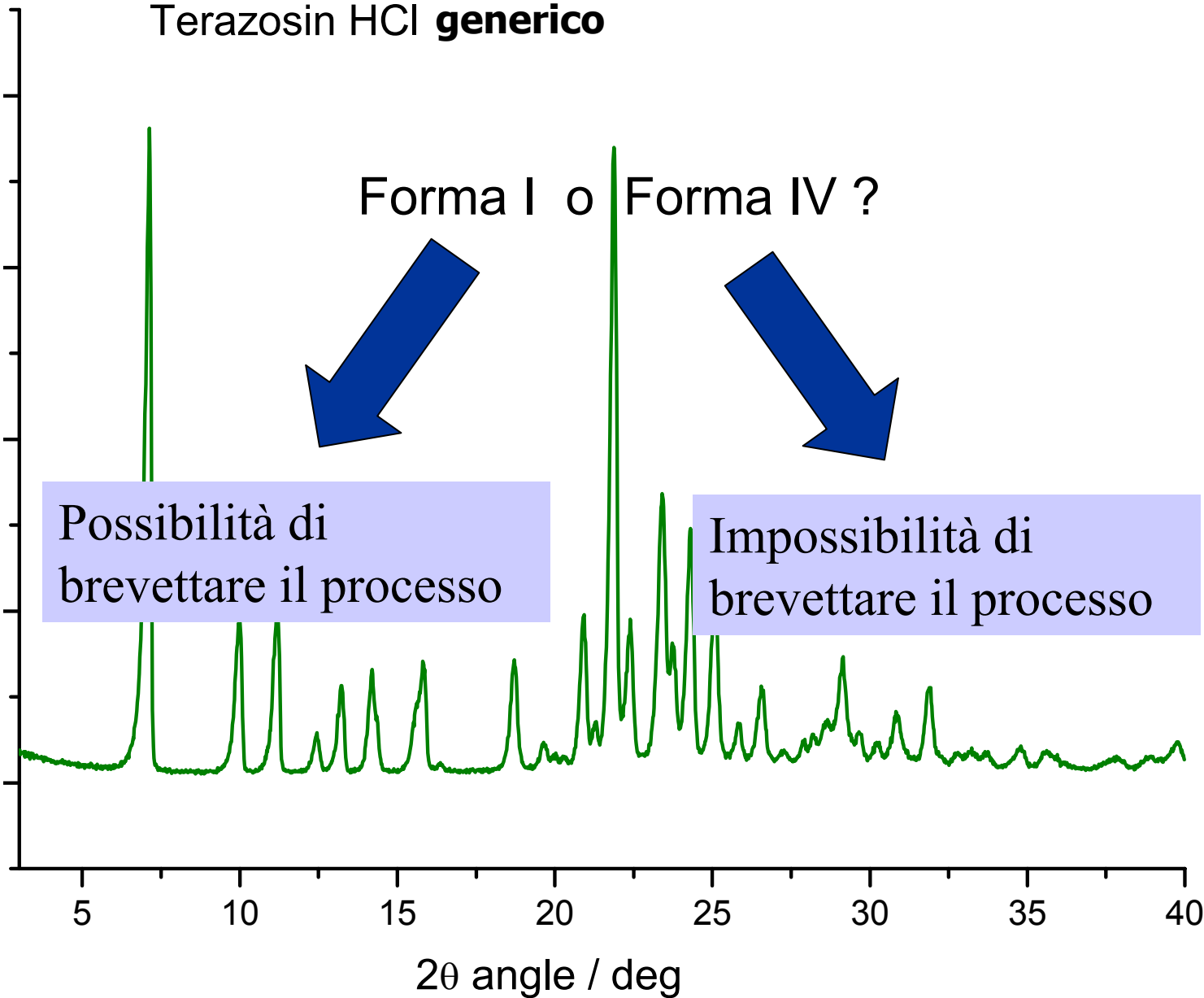
Terazosin HCl generico

Forma I o Forma IV ?

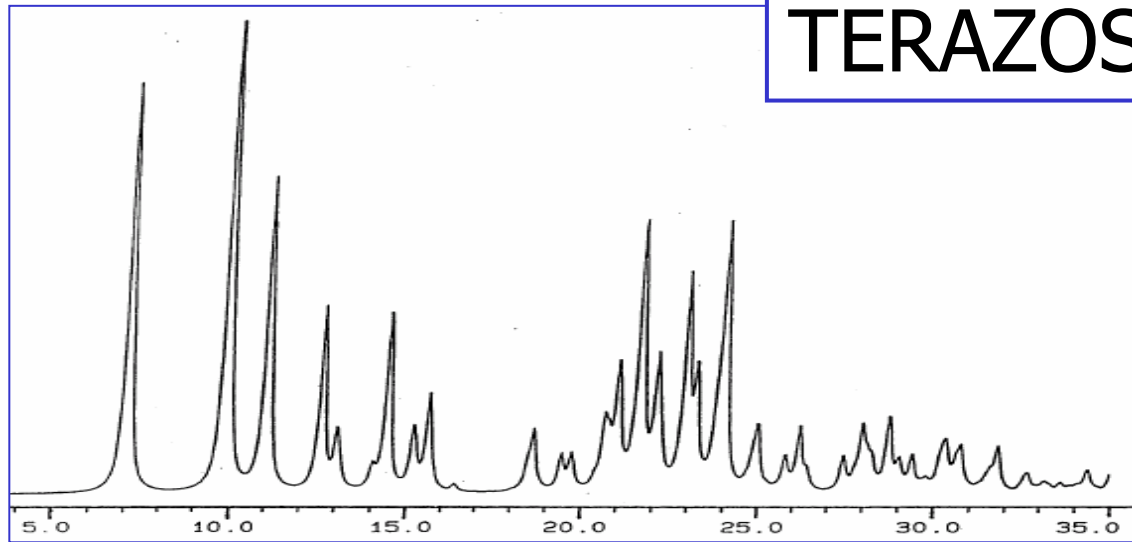


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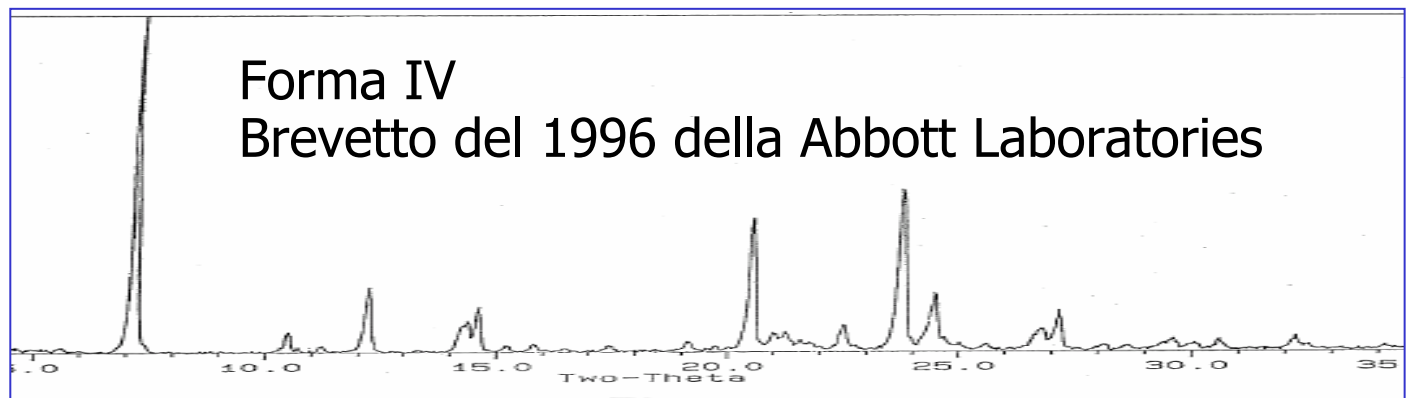
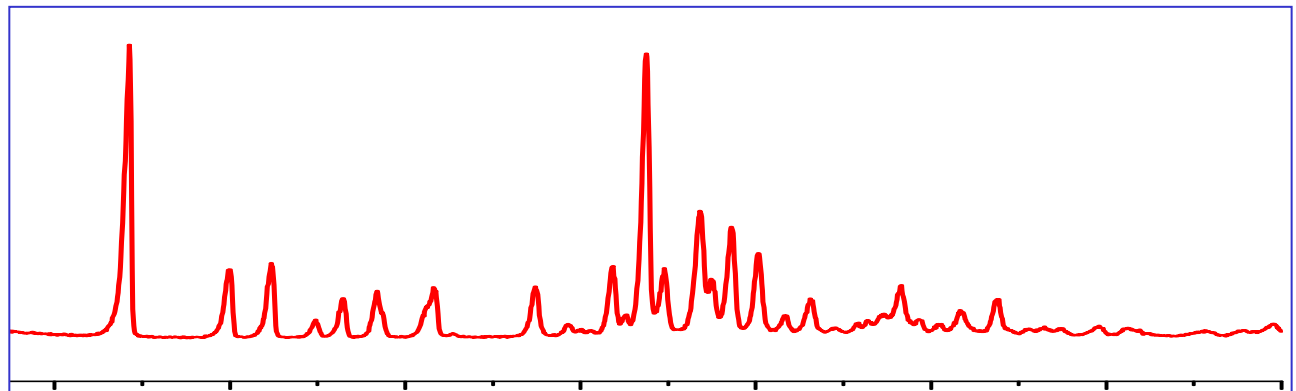
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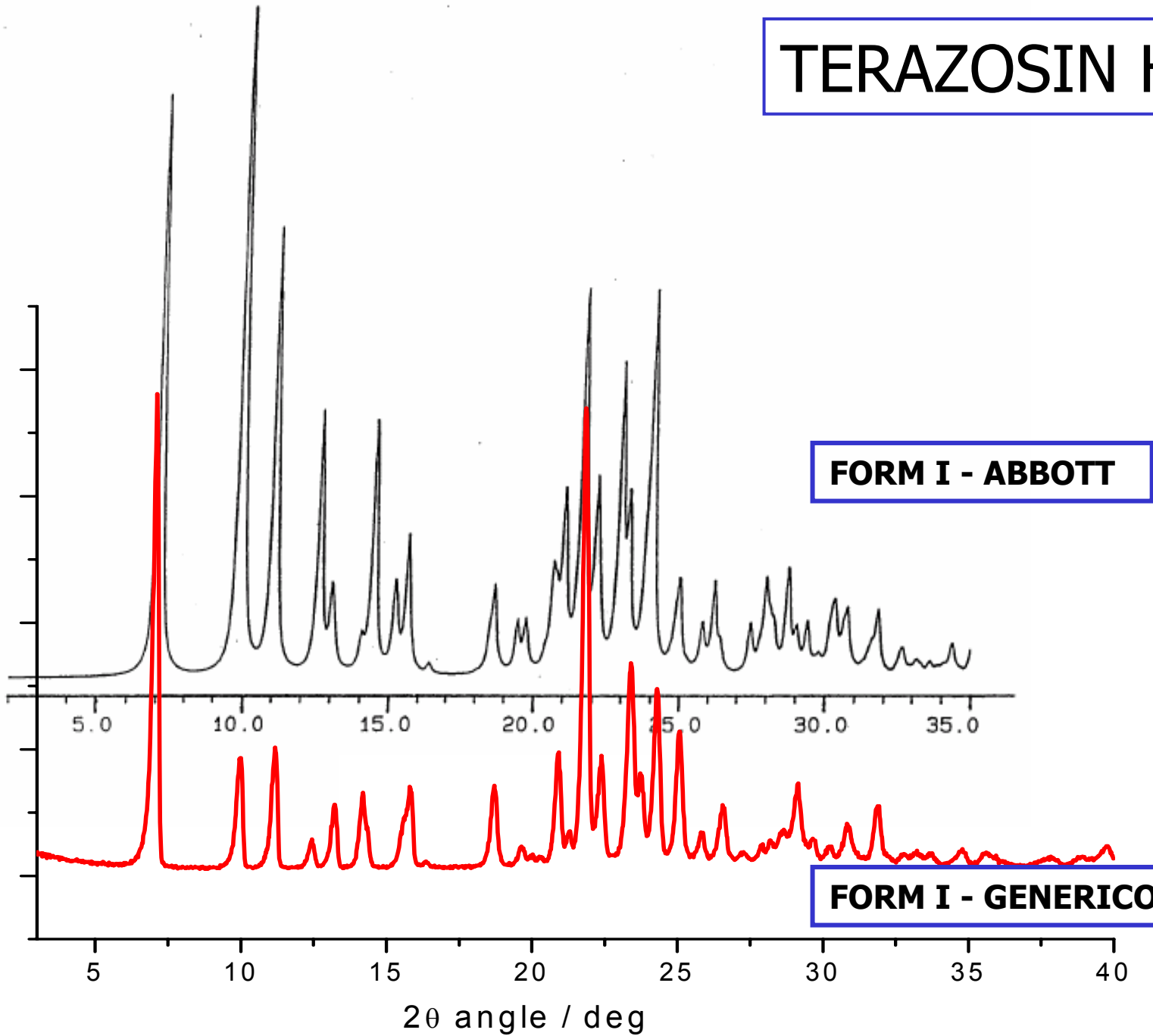
TERAZOSIN HCL



Forma I
Brevetto del 1977



TERAZOSIN HCL

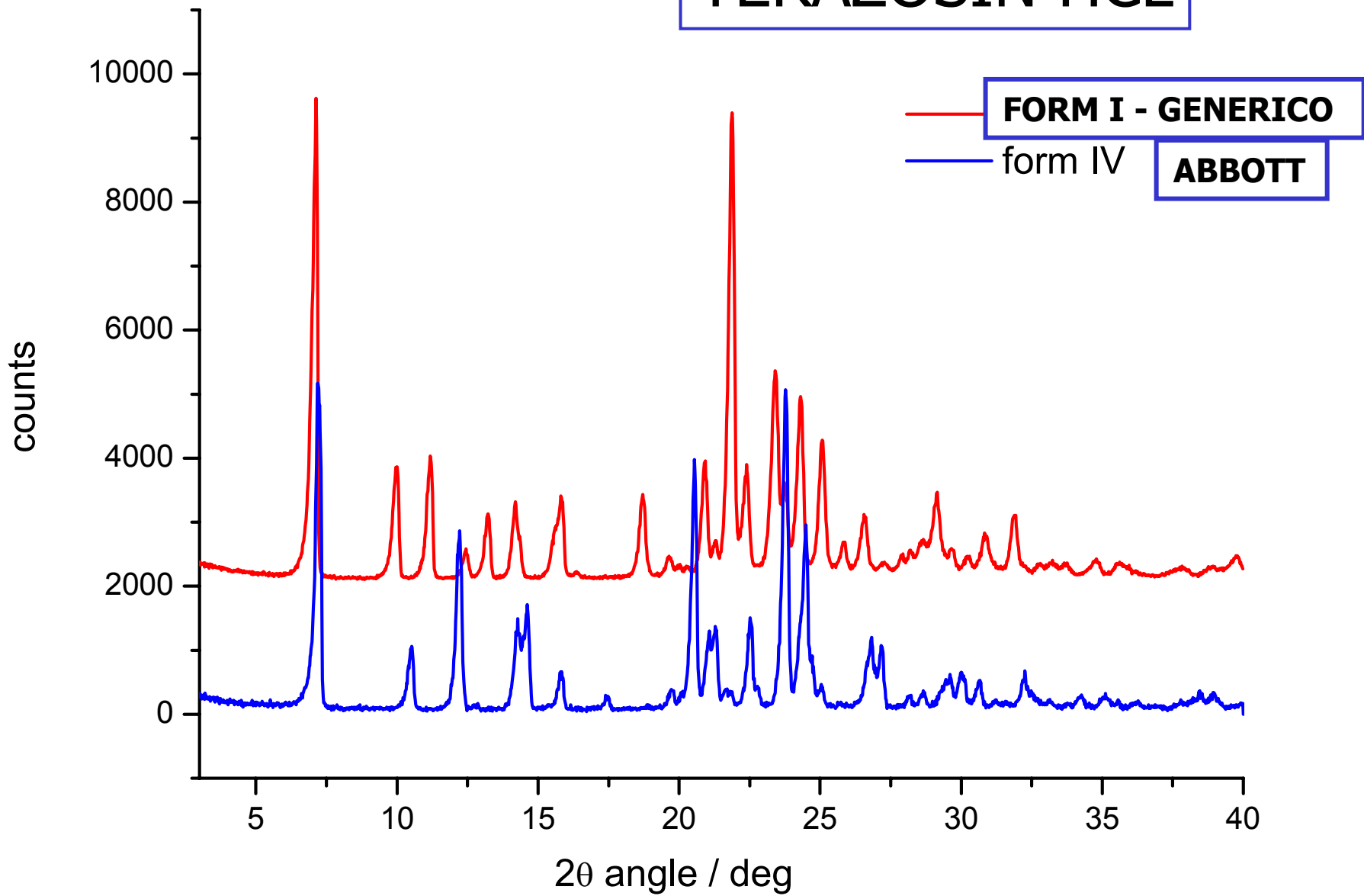


FORM I - ABBOTT

FORM I - GENERIC

2θ angle / deg

TERAZOSIN HCL





US005859245A

United States Patent [19]
Cannata et al.

[11] **Patent Number:** **5,859,245**
[45] **Date of Patent:** **Jan. 12, 1999**

[54] **PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF THE FORM I OF THE ANHYDROUS TERAZOSIN MONOHYDROCHLORIDE**

[75] Inventors: **Vincenzo Cannata**, Borgo Nuovo di Pontecchio Marconi; **Tiziano Ferrario**, Ceriano Laghetto; **Barbara Galbiati**, Milan, all of Italy

[73] Assignee: **Alfa Chemicals Italiana S.r.l.**, Bergamo, Italy

[21] Appl. No.: **954,708**

[22] Filed: **Oct. 20, 1997**

[30] **Foreign Application Priority Data**

Nov. 29, 1996 [IT] Italy BO96A0611

[51] **Int. Cl.⁶** **C07D 239/84**

[52] **U.S. Cl.** **544/291; 544/284; 544/295**

[58] **Field of Search** **544/284, 293, 544/291**

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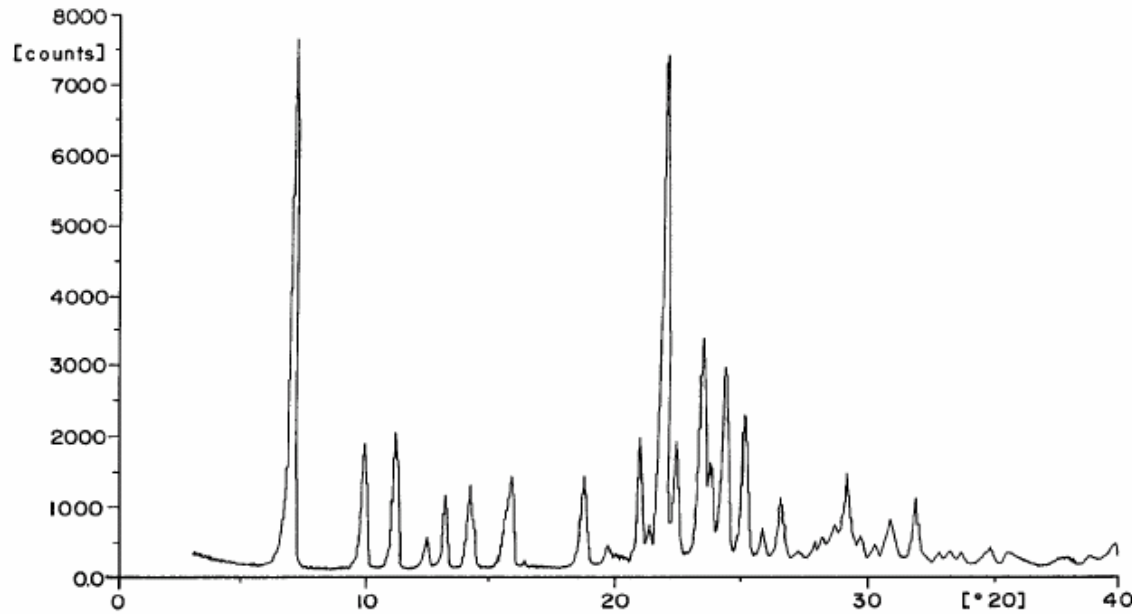
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Attorney, Agent, or Firm—Bucknam and Archer

[57] **ABSTRACT**

The process for the production of form I of anhydrous terazosin monohydrochloride consists of heating terazosin suspended in a mixture made by methanol and a solvent selected from C₂ to C₆, straight or branched alcohols, esters of C₁–C₈ aliphatic carboxylic acids with straight or branched C₁ to C₈ alcohols, C₃ to C₈ aliphatic ketones, C₄ to C₈ straight branched or cyclic aliphatic ethers, aliphatic amides and aliphatic nitriles with a methanol solution of hydrochloric acid.

3 Claims, 3 Drawing Sheets





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Crystal Engineer ?

