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MOLECULAR SENSOR DESIGN USING HPC

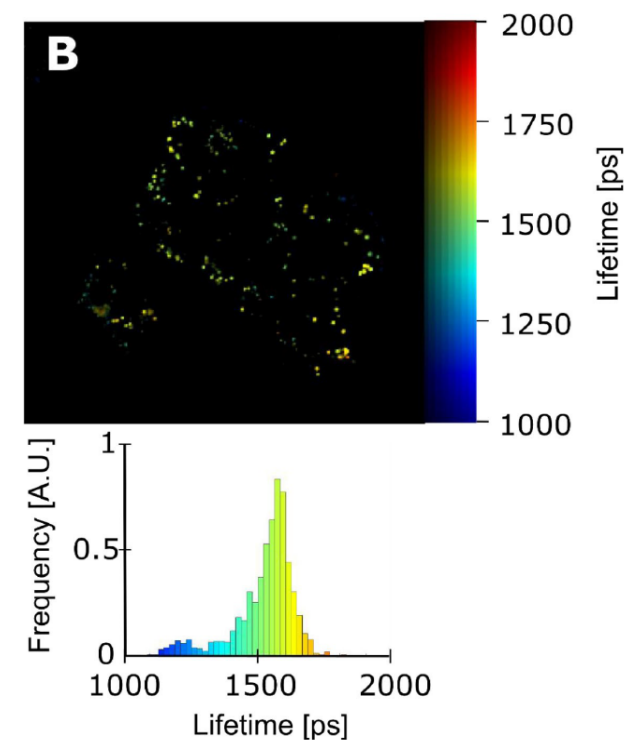
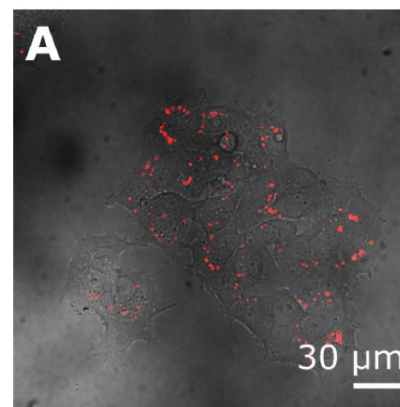
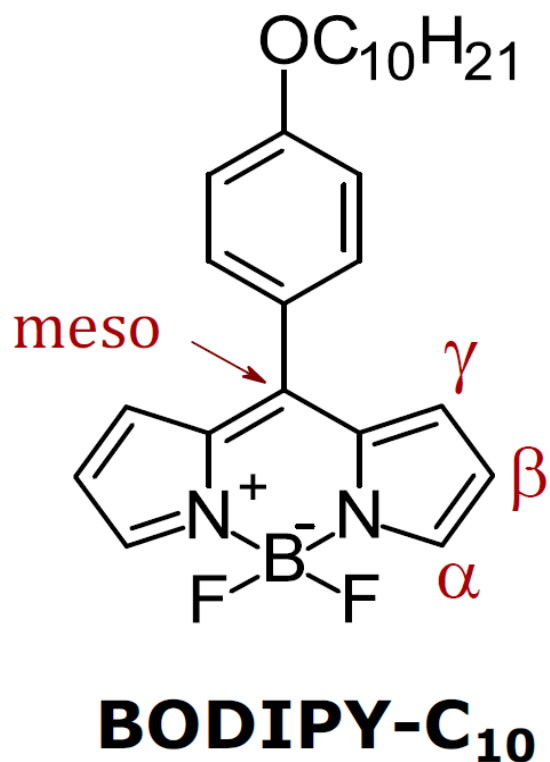
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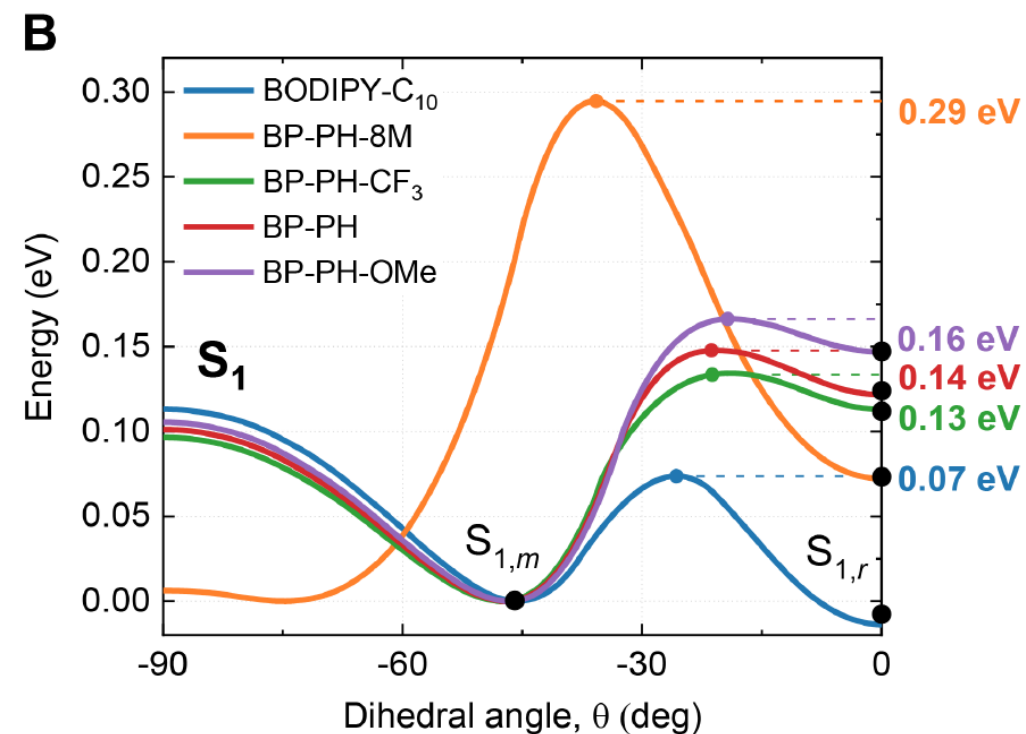
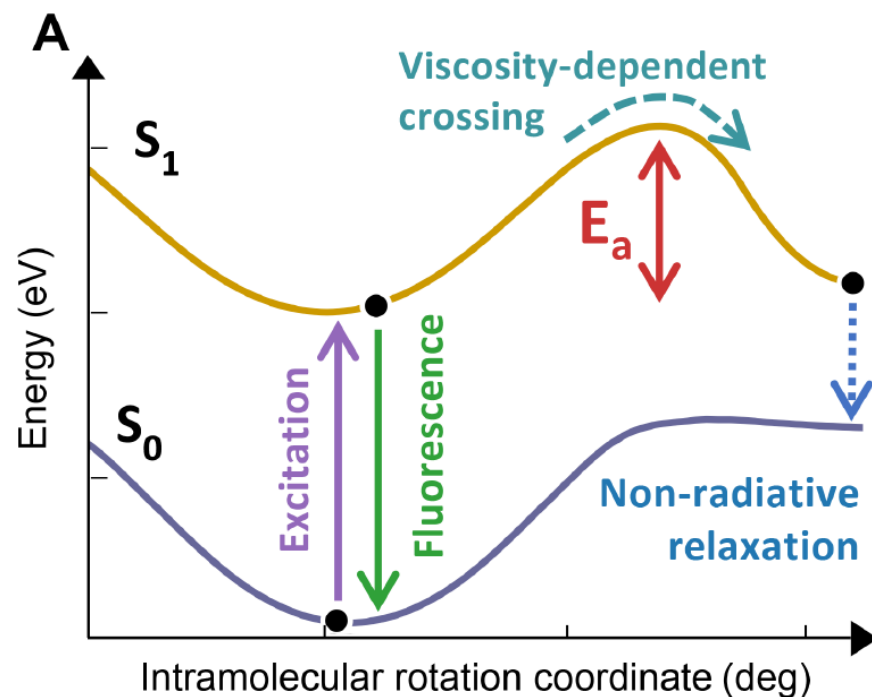
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Science: BODIPY sensors and FLIM



PES model of viscosity sensitivity



Areas of improvement

- Initial model is not suited for polar solvents
 - Local interactions with polarized solvent molecules
- Further interest in environment interactions/ dynamics
 - Viscosity vs. solvent granularity (Polita et al., 2020)
 - Selective staining of cell membranes (Polita et al., 2023)
 - BODIPY-formyl derivatives in methanol (*ongoing*)

Computing: methods

- PES
 - (TD)DFT (M06-2x, cc-pVDZ) + CPCM (*Gaussian16*)
- Solvent shell
 - ONIOM (DFT / MM) (*Gaussian16*)
- Membrane
 - MM/MD with an adapted force-field (*GROMACS*)

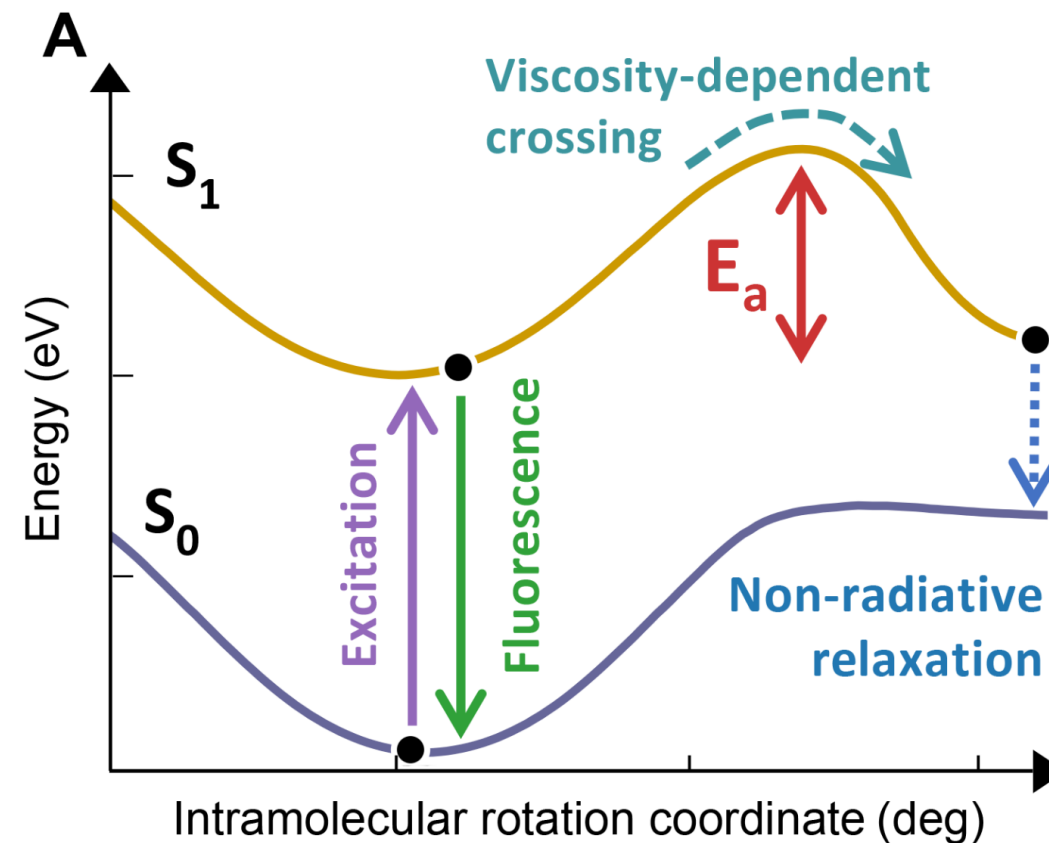
Computing: local resources

- VU HPC Saulėtekis (*Faculty of Physics location*)
 - 141 Bull Sequana X1000 nodes
 - ~0,3 PFlops (~20 TFlops / node)
 - 134 previous generation **s** nodes
 - varying power/ availability



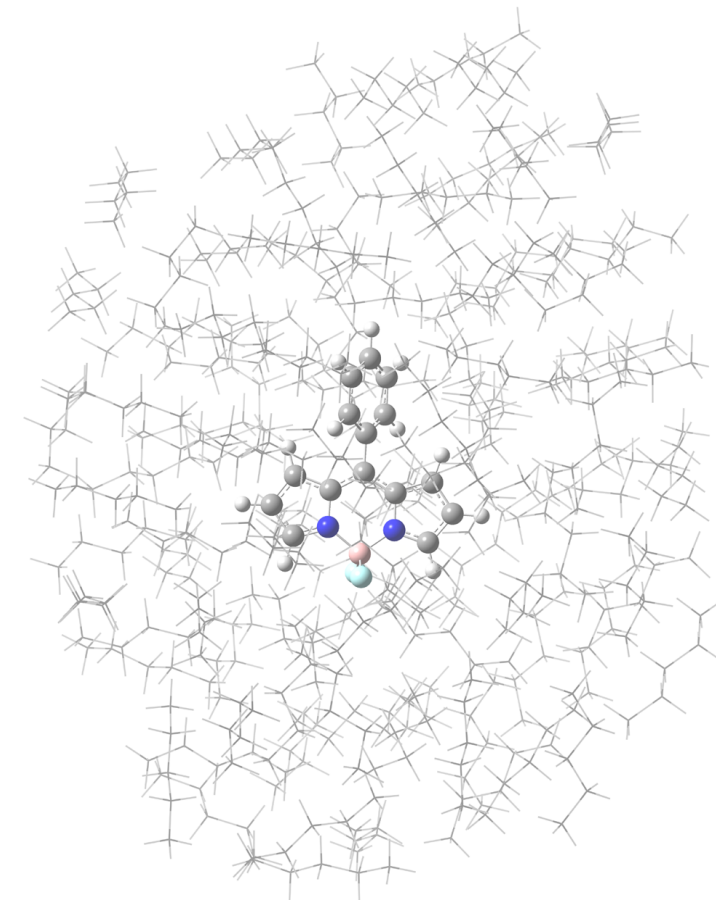
Computing cost – PES

- S_0 optimization (*typical*)
 - 5 h CPU, 10 min wall
- S_1 optimization
 - 40 h CPU, 2 h wall
- S_1 PES scan
 - 480 h CPU, 24 h wall
- PCM comparison set
 - 1404 **days** CPU, 68 d node



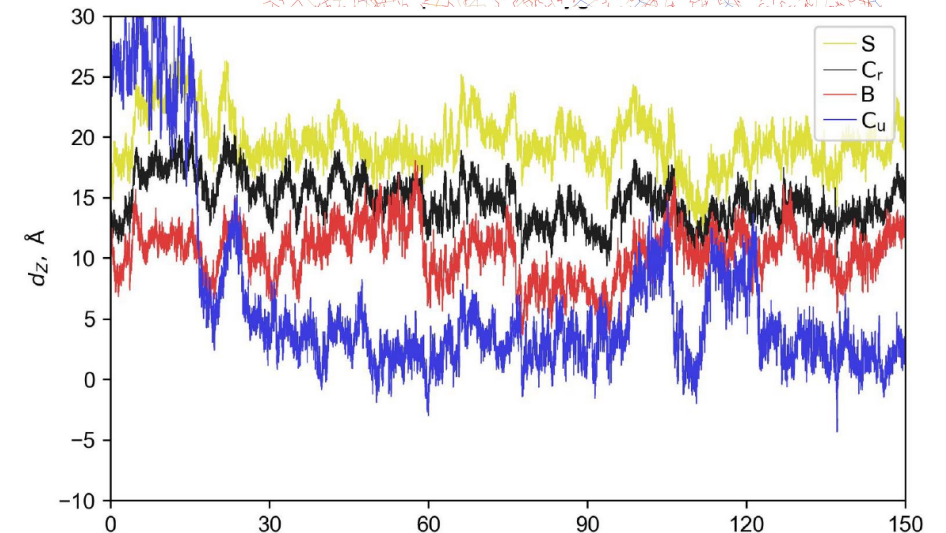
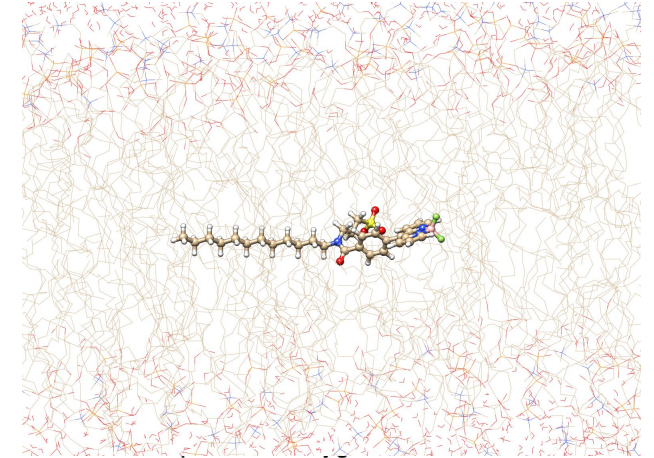
Computing cost – solvent shell

- ONIOM (DFT/MM)
 - 30-50 % additional time
- Supershell (DFT)
 - Scales as $K^{>2}$ w.r.t. basis functions
- Solvent positioning
 - MD preoptimization is needed



Computing cost – membrane MD

- MD run, 150 ns
 - CPU (2 nodes, 128 cores)
 - 2400 h CPU, 19 h wall
 - 191 ns / day
- MD run, 300 ns
 - **Consumer** GPU (RTX 3070)
 - 43 h GPU / wall
 - 167 ns / day





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Interested? JOIN US!

- Masters, PhD, post-doc
- Research collaboration
 - esp. MD runs and analysis

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THANK YOU!

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