

## PhD thesis subject

## Laboratoire : MOLTECH-Anjou (université d'Angers)

Titre du sujet de thèse : Electro- and photoactive Peptides and peptoids

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The thesis subject will be about the preparation of tetrathiafulvalene (TTF) based aminoacids and peptides in order to access to (a)chiral monomolecular as well as bimolecular conductors and semiconductors (scheme), in which the electronic conductivity will result the total charge delocalisation between the oxidized TTF cores and the hydrogen bonding network. The functionnalisation of the TTF derivatives with peptides will afford new and original multifunctionnals supramolecular architectures.



α-oligopeptide structure

In the same direction we would like to preprare electro- and photoactive molecular materials based on the use of (a)cyclic peptoids which are defined as being analogues of N-substitued oligo-glycines (sheme). The resulting materials will exhibit unique structural features as well as unique physicochemical properties. In these materials the secondary structure is not directed by the hydrogen bonding network because of the substitution of the nitrogen but their conformation is depending on the nature of the groups which are on the nitrogen atom. In addition, cyclic peptoids will exhibit a cavity in which the dimension can be modulated by the number of the amides functions that are used.

In both cases, in addition to critsalline neutral and/or oxidized materials, the self-assembly of such compounds will lead to diverse functionnal suprmalocular architectures such as (hydro)gels, fibers,... in which the physicochemical response (photoluminescence, non liear opticas,...) will be modulated by different stimuli.



α-oligopeptoïde structure

The candidat should be motivated by performing original research work and should have a strong practical and theoretical knowledge in organic chemistry, supramolecular chemistry. Knwoldge in coordination chemistry will be appreciated.

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