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CHIRAL MONOLAYERS

by

Professor Edward M. Arnett Duke University

Wednesday, December 15, 1982

Holiday "Social": 5:30, NCSU Faculty Club*

Holiday Dinner:

6:45, President's Dining Room, Belk Hall, Meredith College (\$6.75 full members, \$3.50 for students)

Lecture:

8:00, Cate Center Meredith College

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Dr. Arnett's research activities have centered primarily on physical aspects of solvent effects in organic chemistry, particularly with regard to acidbase reactions. By correlating solution phase behavior in acid-base reactions with recently obtained data for corresponding processes in the gas phase, his work has led to the experimental evaluation of solvation energies of organic cations and anions. Other research interests include the effect of ionpairing on substitution reactions and the stereochemistry of molecular aggregation in heterogeneous systems which will be the subject of the evening's lecture.

In 1967, he initiated the Pittsburgh Chemical Information Center with support from the National Science Foundation to study the implementation and use of computer-based chemical information. He has been a Guggenheim Fellow and was recipient of the Pittsburgh Award in 1976 and the James Flack Norris Award of the American Chemical Society in 1977. He has been an Adjunct Senior Fellow of Mellon Institute and is currently a Senior Fellow of the Hydrocarbon Research Institute of the University of Southern California and has served as visiting Professor at the University of Illinois, Colorado, New Hampshire, Canterbury (England), the University of Ottawa. He has been the Kelly Lecturer at Purdue and the Summer Organic Lecturer at Northwestern. He and his students have published 130 articles.

Chiral Monolayers

The study of monolayers (films one molecule thick) which are developed from surfactants at the air-water interface, provides a remarkably elegant approach to the study of intermolecular interactions under readily controllable conditions. Although most of the components of biomembranes and bilayers are chiral surfactants, there have been only a handful of scattered reports of experiments where the stereochemical consequences of molecular packing in monolayers has been considered. The work to be described is the first systematic attempt to use chiral monolayers to investigate stereoselective packing at interfaces. It turns out that even within the small number of systems studied to date, chiral discrimination is found in practically every observed property.



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RESUMES OF CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION

FOR CHAIRMAN ELECT:

DR. JOHN A. MYERS received his B.S. degree in Chemistry and B.A. degree in Mathematics from Carson-Newman College in 1965 and his Ph.D. degree in Organic Chemistry from the University of Florida in 1970. After a year of postdoctoral study with Prof. Harold Hart at Michigan State University, he joined the Faculty of North Carolina Central University. He was promoted to Professor in 1980. His research interests include 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reactions and the synthesis of nitrogen heterocycles. He has been invited to participate in a Symposium on Radiation Chemistry, Radioprotectors, and Radiosensitizers during the XV Latin American Chemical Congress in October. He has served on the Hospitality and Nominating Committees of the local section.

DR. BERNARD F. SPIELVOGEL received a B.S. degree in Chemistry and Physics from Geneva College and was awarded the Ph.D. degree in Inorganic Chemistry from the University of Michigan in 1963. He was an Instructor and Assistant Professor of Chemistry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill from 1963 to 1967. He joined the Army Research Office in 1967 and currently serves as Chief, Inorganic and Analytical Branch, Chemical and Biological Sciences Division. He also holds the position of Adjunct Professor of Chemistry at Duke University. His personal research interests lie in the synthesis of biologically active boron analogs of amino acids and his work in this area with Professors A. T. McPhail at Duke and I. H. Hall at UNC has been featured several times in C&EN News in the last several years. He has contributed to the organization of numerous workshops and symposia at the Army Research Office. He has been a seminar speaker and Hospitality Chairman for the ACS local section.

FOR TREASURER:

DR. FRIC C. BIGHAM received a B.S. degree in Chemistry, Magna Cum Laude, from N.C. State University in 1969. He received M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Princeton University in 1971 and 1973, respectively. From 1973 to 1978, Dr. Bigham served as Senior Scientist at Pfizer Inc. where his efforts included synthesis of β-lactams and ansamycins. Dr. Bigham joined Burroughs Wellcome Company in 1978 where he is now Senior Scientist involved in drug design and synthesis. He was president of the ACS Student Affiliate at NCSU in 1968 and has been a member since 1970. Dr. Bigham is presently serving as the Section Treasurer and will serve as the Finanical Chairman of the 1984 Southeastern Regional ACS Meeting in Raleigh.

DR. JOSEPH L. TEMPLETON, a native of Knoxville, Iowa, was born on November 3, 1948. His undergraduate years at Caltech were marked by recognition in both academic and extracurricular endeavors. Caltech Freshman of the Year and the Royal Society of the Arts Award for graduating seniors reflected classroom achievements while an NCAA Postgraduate Fellowship resulted from participation in intercollegiate soccer. With support as an NCAA, NDEA and Shell Oil Fellow he proceeded to a Ph.D. degree at Iowa State University in 1975 under the guidance of Professor R. E. McCarley. A NATO Postdoctoral year was spent in the laboratories of Sir G. Wilkinson prior to joining the faculty at UNC-Chapel Hill in 1976. Since coming to the Triangle area Dr. Templeton has served as Program Committee representative for local ACS section activities in Chapel Hill, has coordinated the Meeting-in-Miniature facilities at UNC, and has participated as a member of the local ACS High School Awards Committee.

FOR COUNCILOR:

DR. MARCUS E. HOBBS is University Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus of Chemistry at Duke University. He is a graduate of Duke where he also received the A.M. and Ph.D. degrees. Presently, he teaches part-time and serves on several Departmental and University committees. Beginning his administrative career as a chairman of the Chemistry Department, he has served Duke as dean of the graduate school, dean of the University, Vice-provost and Provost. In 1959 the Department of Army awarded Dr. Hobbs "The Outstanding Civilian Service Medal" for his contribution to the establishment of the Army Research Office (formerly ARO-D). He was involved in the establishment of the Research Triangle Institute and at present serves as Chairman of its Executive Committee. He now serves as one of the N.C. Section Councilors and in the past has served as Secretary-Treasurer, Program Chairman, Councilor, and Chairman of the Section.

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DR. RICHARD L. WELLS, Professor of Chemistry and Director of Graduate Studies in Chemistry at Duke University, received his B.S. degree from Wisconsin State College-River Falls and earned his Ph.D. degree in inorganic chemistry at Indiana University. During his twenty years at Duke his research program has focused primarily on the chemistry of silicon-nitrogen and boron-nitrogen compounds. He was Chairman of the XV Organosilicon Symposium which was held at Duke in 1981. Dr. Wells has served as Director of Undergraduate Studies in Chemistry, as well as Assistant Provost and Associate Dean of Trinity College of Arts and Sciences. He is a member of the ACS and its Divisions of Inorganic Chemistry and Chemical Education, Sigma Xi and Phi Lambda Upsilon. Dr. Wells has previously served the Section as a member of the Nominating and Membership Committees.



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DR. DEREK J. HODGSON was born on July 1, 1942 in Watford, England, and received his early education in English schools. In 1961 he came to this country as an undergraduate, receiving the AB in Chemistry at Harvard University in 1965 and the MS (1967) and Ph.D. (1969) at Northwestern University. In 1969 he came to North Carolina as Assistant Professor at UNC. and has remained here since then. He is presently Professor of Chemistry and Director of Graduate Studies at UNC. In 1980 he served as Distinguished Professor of Inorganic Chemistry at the University of Copenhagen. Dr. Hodgson's research interests included structural inorganic chemistry and structure-activity relationships in chemistry, and he is the author or co-author of more than 150 publications in those areas. He is currently editing a book entitled, "Structure-Function Relationships in Inorganic Chemistry". Dr. Hodgson has served the Section as Chapel Hill Social Chairman and as a member of the Nominating Committee; in addition, he served for several years on the Awards Committee, and was Chairman of that committee in 1978 and 1979.

DR. PETER SMITH, A.B., A.M., Ph.D. (in physical chemistry, 1954) Cambridge University, came to the U.S. as a postdoctoral fellow at Harvard with P.D. Bartlett, following which, after a spell on the faculty at Purdue, in 1959, he joined Duke's Chemistry Department, where he is now Professor. His research interests include the application of ESR spectroscopy to chemical and biological systems. He was NC Section Chairman in 1972 and has served our section as member or chairman of several standing committees (e.g., Education, Membership, Nominations, and Program) as well as on the Executive Committee of the Polymer Group. It was during his Section Chairmanship that

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he initiated an attempt to gain the 1979 South-Eastern Regional Meeting for the NC Section, this SERM being eventually awarded to the Virginia Blue Ridge Section at the 1974 SERM, Norfolk. At the next appropriate time, in 1977, he revived this project and, as a consequence, from its formation in January, 1978 until its reconstruction in November, 1981 (under the chairmanship of the newly appointed 1984 SERM General Chairman, Bill Little), he chaired the South-Eastern Regional Meeting Planning Committee. This committee planned and carried out at the 1979 SERM, in Roanoke, our section's successful bid to host the 1984 SERM in Raleigh, and subsequently assisted in picking the site, time, and General Chairman of the 1984 SERM.

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NO MEETING IN JANUARY

Due to the possibilities of adverse weather and low attendance in recent years, there will be no section meeting in January. Meetings will be held in February and March as usual, and the Meeting-in-Miniature will take place in April. The February meeting will be a joint meeting with the Triangle Chromatography Group and the March meeting will be at Pembroke College.

LETTERS AND ARTICLES WELCOME

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 Nov. 30 GEORGIA FISANICK, Bell Labs, Murray Hill, "Multiphoton Absorption Spectroscopy of Very Highly Excited Molecules", 11:00 a.m., 308 Venable, UNC-CH. Dec. 3 PROF. STEVEN D. BURKE, Univ. of S. Carolina, "New Methods and Strategies in Organic Synthesis", 3:30 p.m., 103 Gross Chemical Laboratory, Duke. Dec. 6 FRANK DISALVO, Bell Labs, "Physics and Chemistry of Layered Compounds", 124 Dabney, NCSU. Feb. 10 EDWARD E. DAVID, JR., Exxon Research and Engineering Company, "Public Interest and Private Curiosity: A Paradigm for Innovation", 8:00 a.m., 207 Venable Hall, UNC-CH. Feb. 17 JOHN W. FALLER, Yale Univ., "Electronic Control of Regio- chemistry in Organometallic Reactions", 11:00 a.m., 308 Venable Hall, UNC-CH. Feb. 24 JOHN T. GROVES, Univ. of Michigan, "Models of Metallo- enzymes", 11:00 a.m., 308 Venable Hall, UNC-CH. Mar. 3 EUGENE C. ASHBY, Georgia Institute of Technology, "Single Electron Transfer, A Major Reaction Pathway", 11:00 a.m., 308 Venable, UNC-CH. 	NOV. 29	JUSEPH AND LELIA BONAVENIORA, Duke Univ., "Structure, Function and Assembly of Hemocyanin", 11:00 a.m., 528 Kenan, UNC-CH.
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