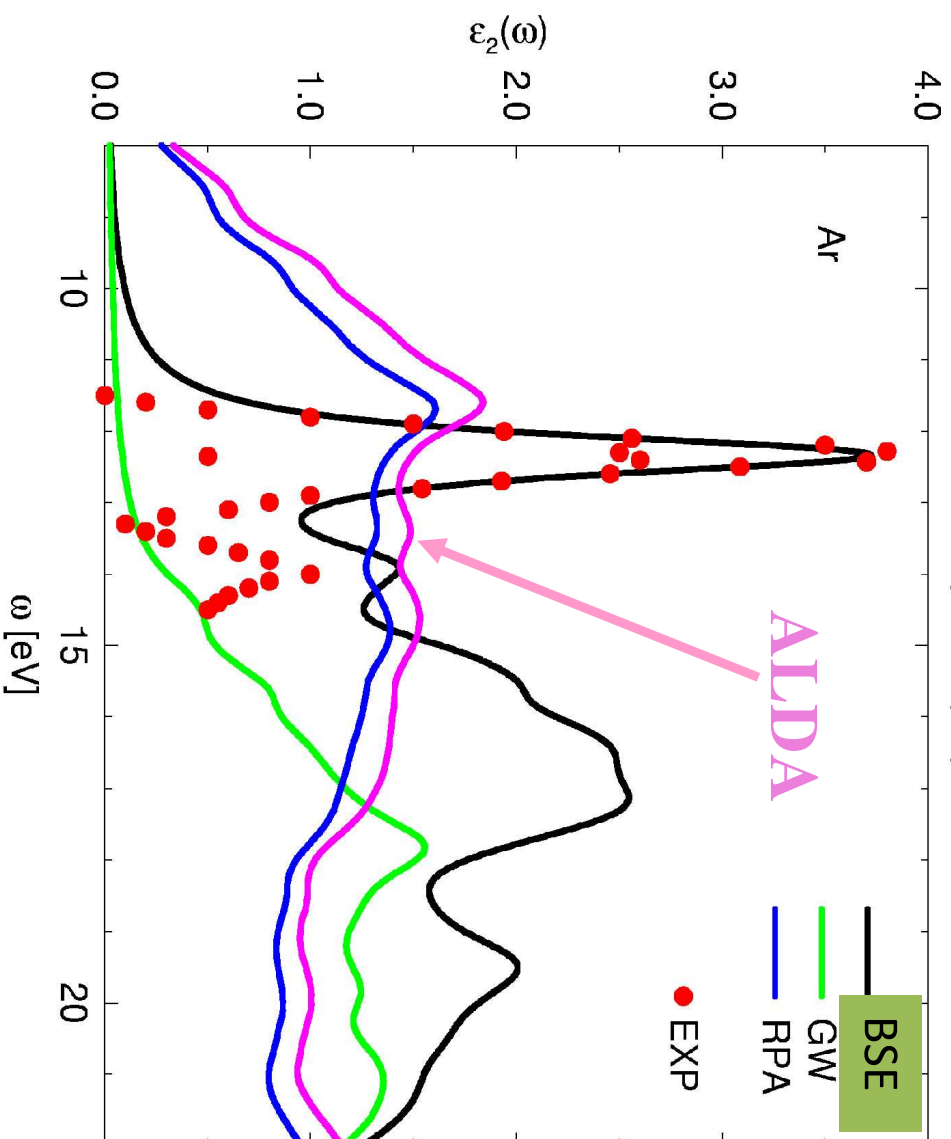


# Solid Argon



L. Reining, V. Olevano, A. Rubio, G. Onida, PRL 88, 066404 (2002)

**Excitons are completely missing for simple xc functionals like ALDA!**

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$f_{xc} \rightarrow \text{const}$  (in ALDA)

Hence results are close to  $f_{xc} = 0$  (RPA) in the  $q \rightarrow 0$  limit.

### **CONCLUSION:**

Approximations for  $f_{xc}$  are needed which, for  $q \rightarrow 0$ , correctly diverge like  $1/q^2$ . Such approximations can be derived from many-body perturbation theory (see, e.g., L. Reining, V. Olevano, A. Rubio, G. Onida, PRL 88, 066404 (2002)).

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(Sharma, Dewhurst, Sanna, EKUG, PRL **107**, 186401 (2011))

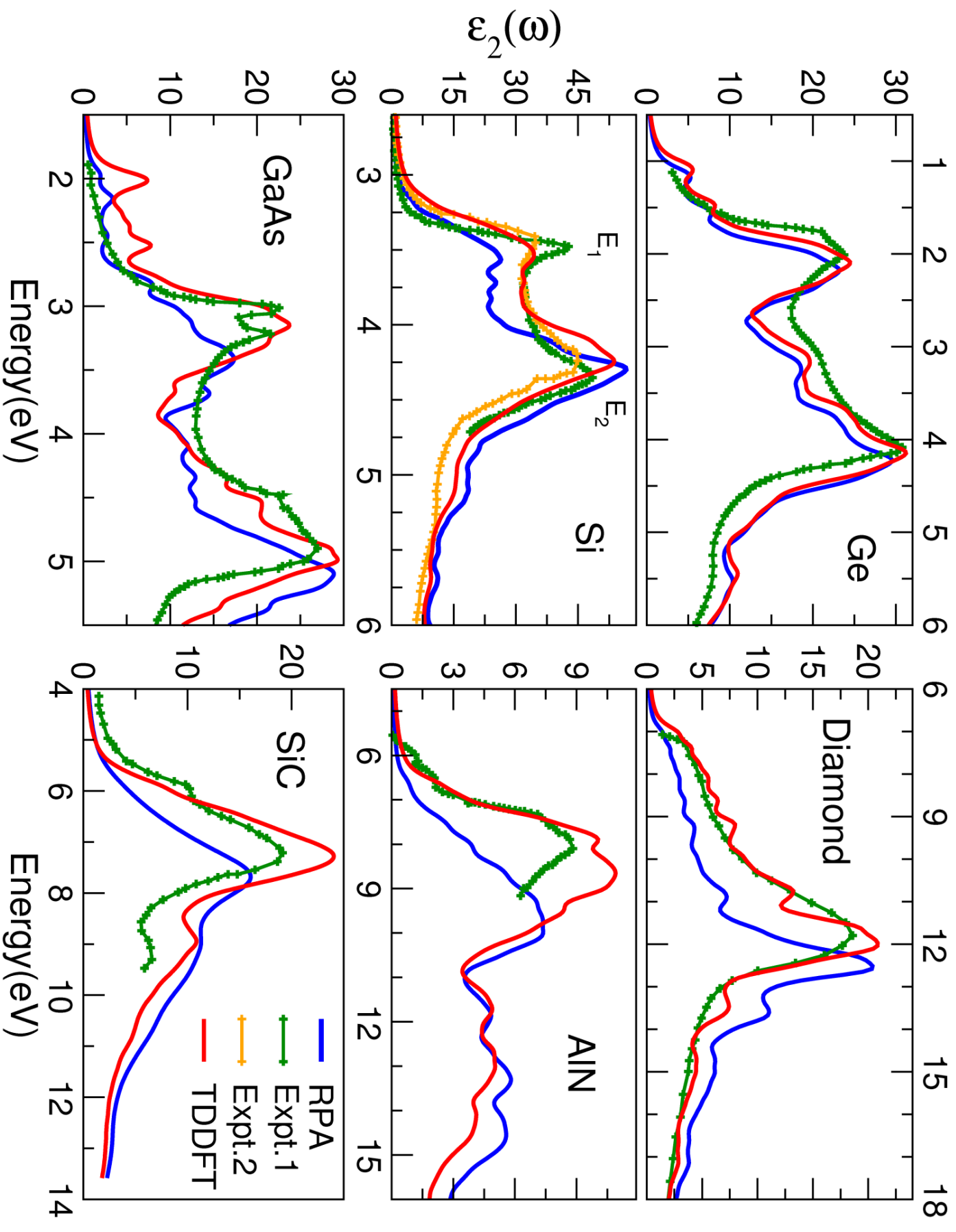
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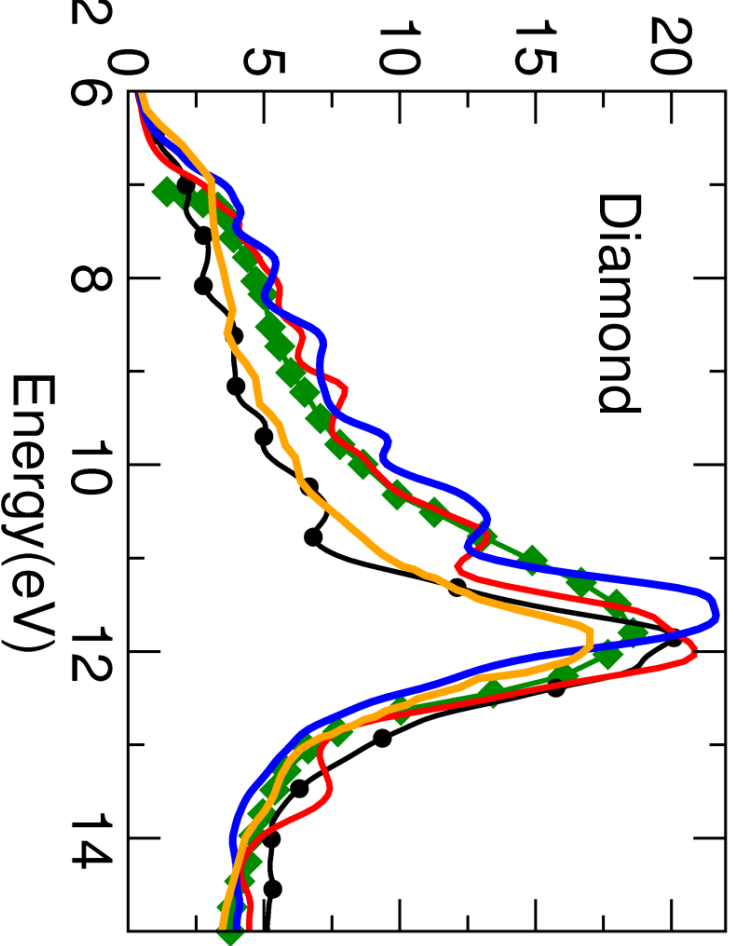
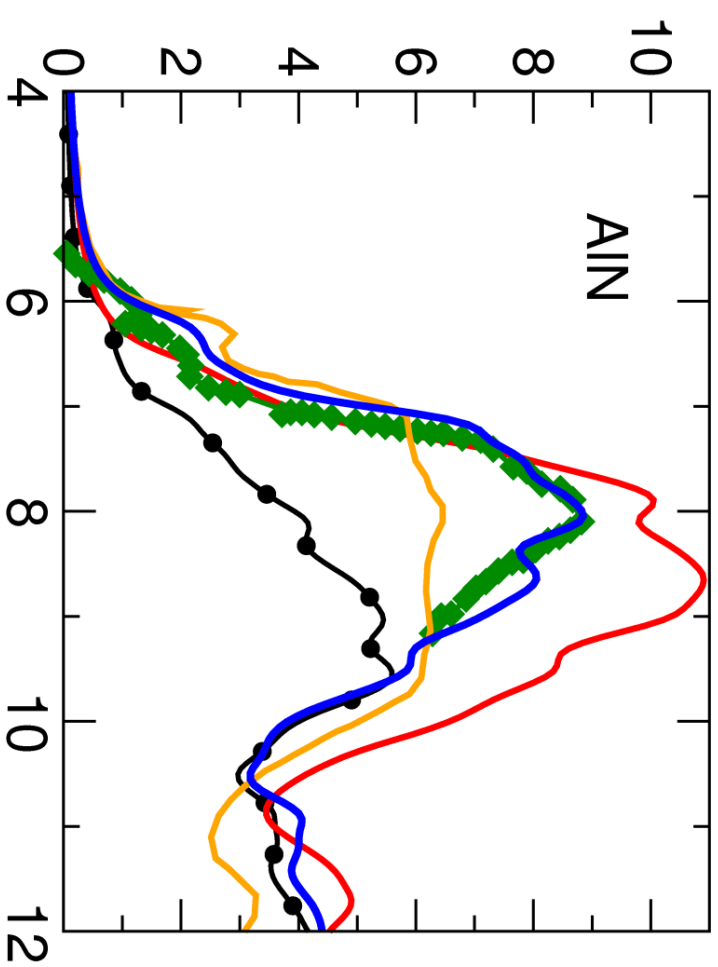
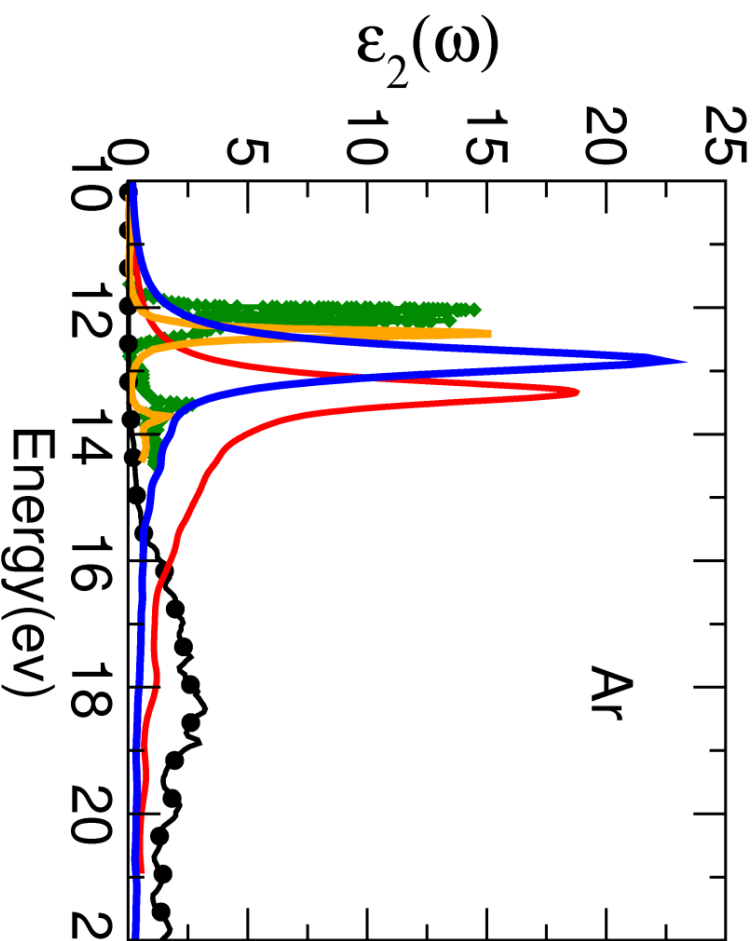
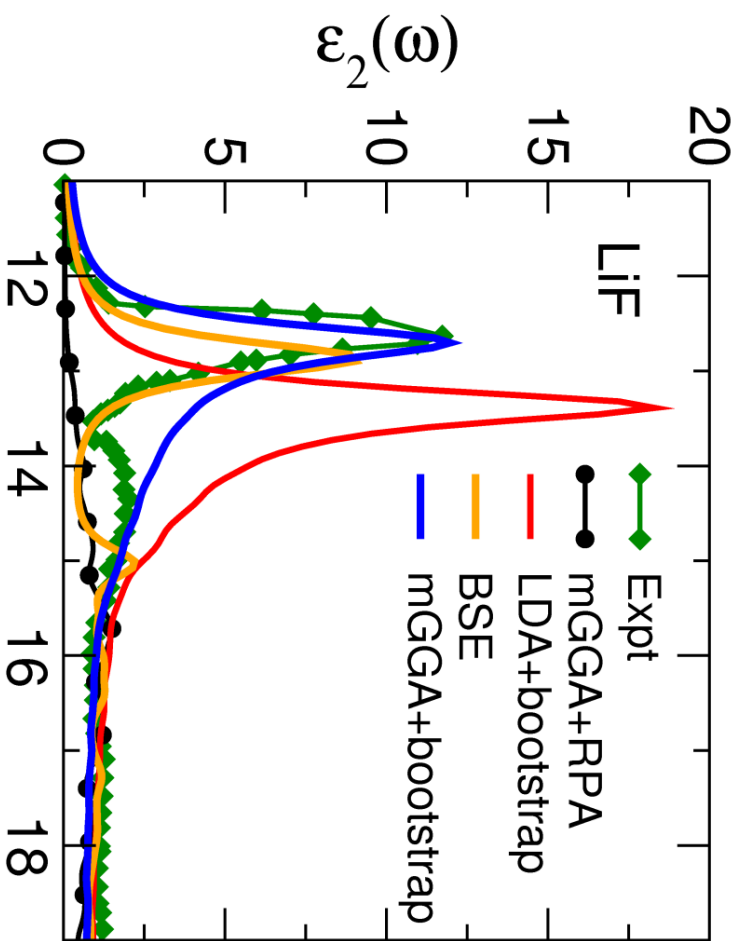
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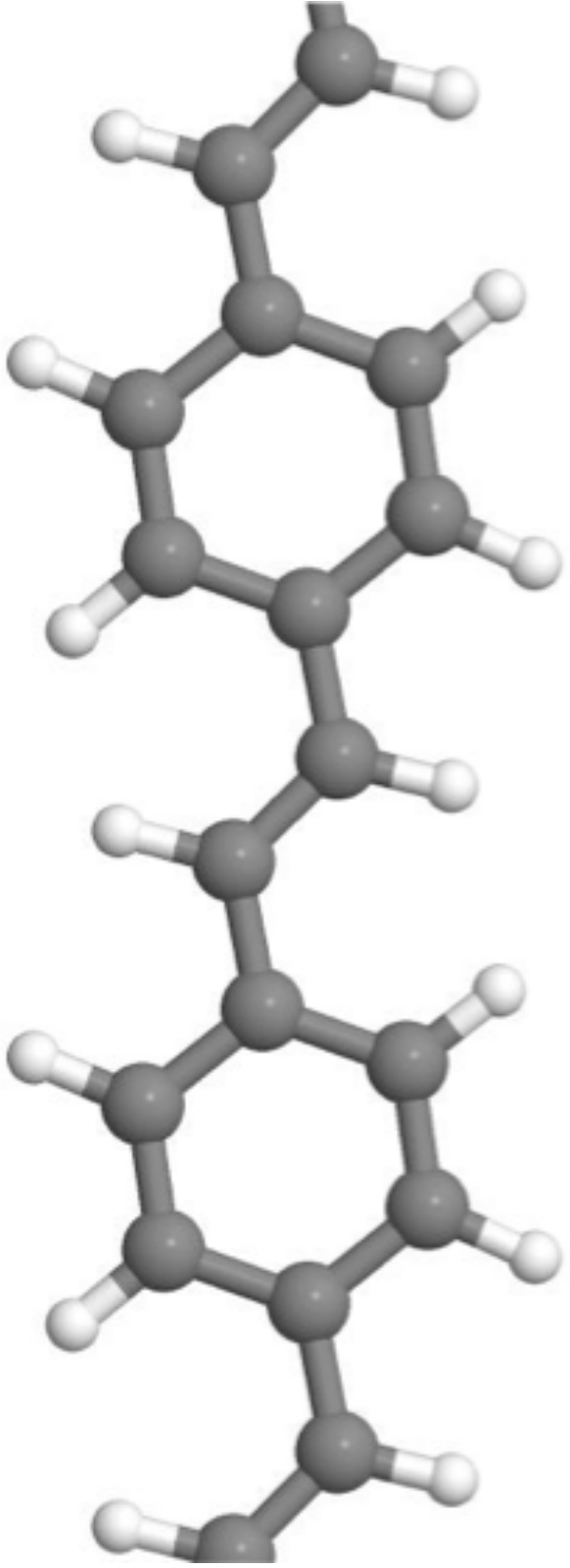
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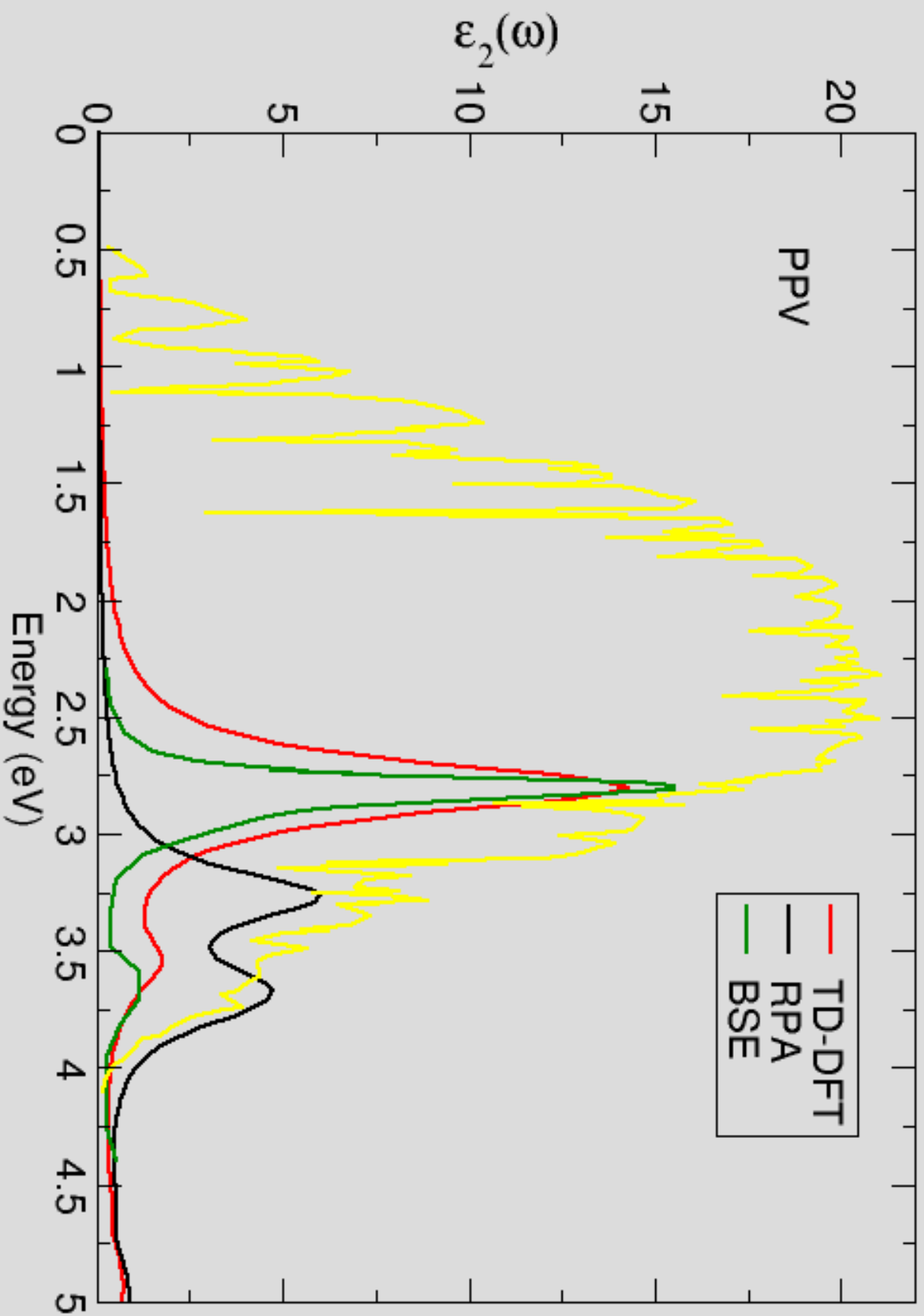




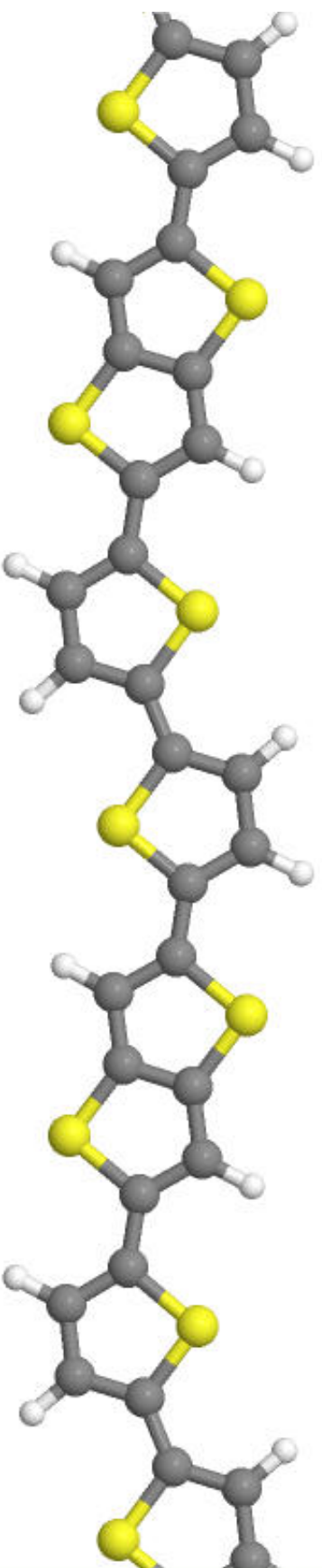


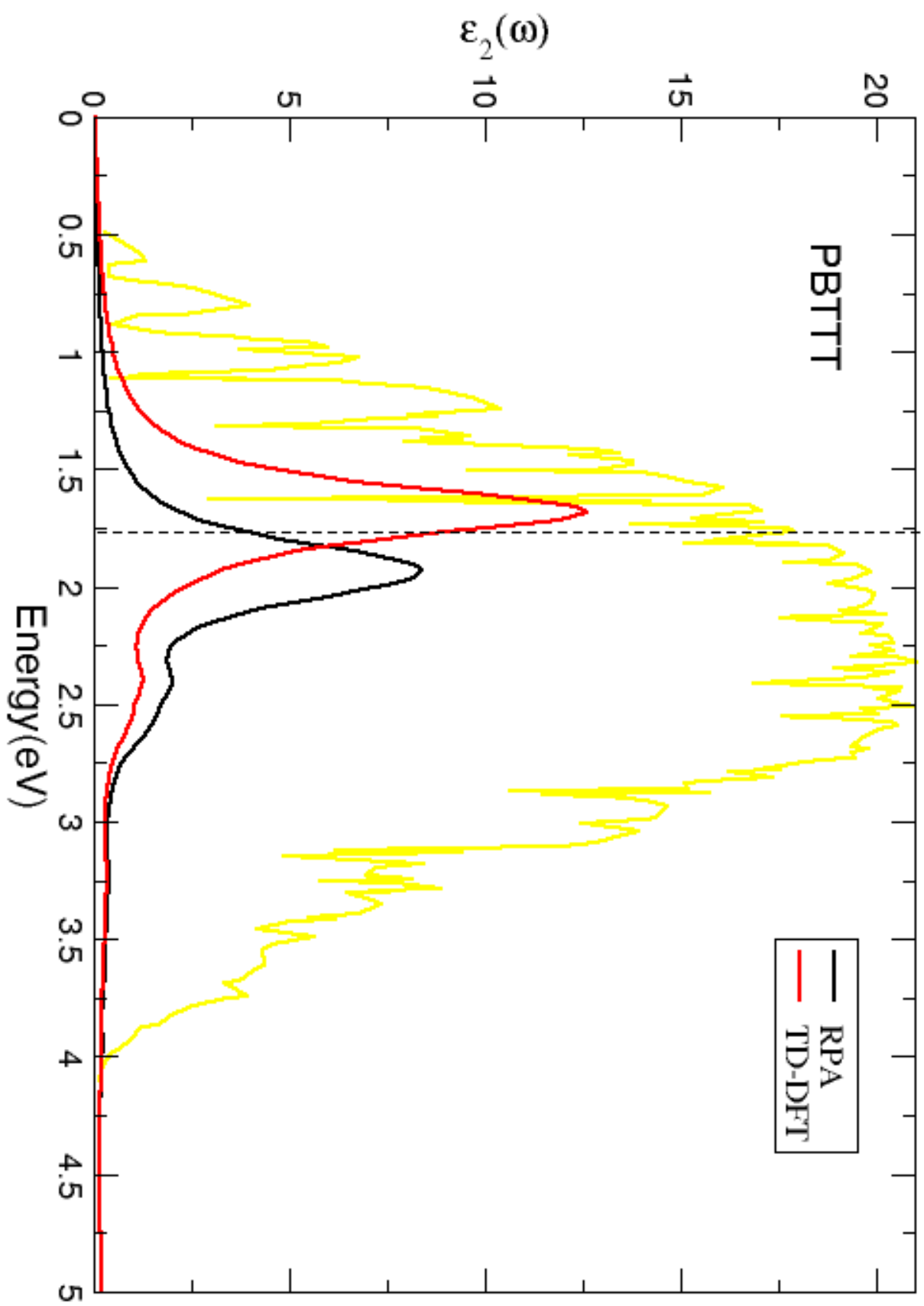


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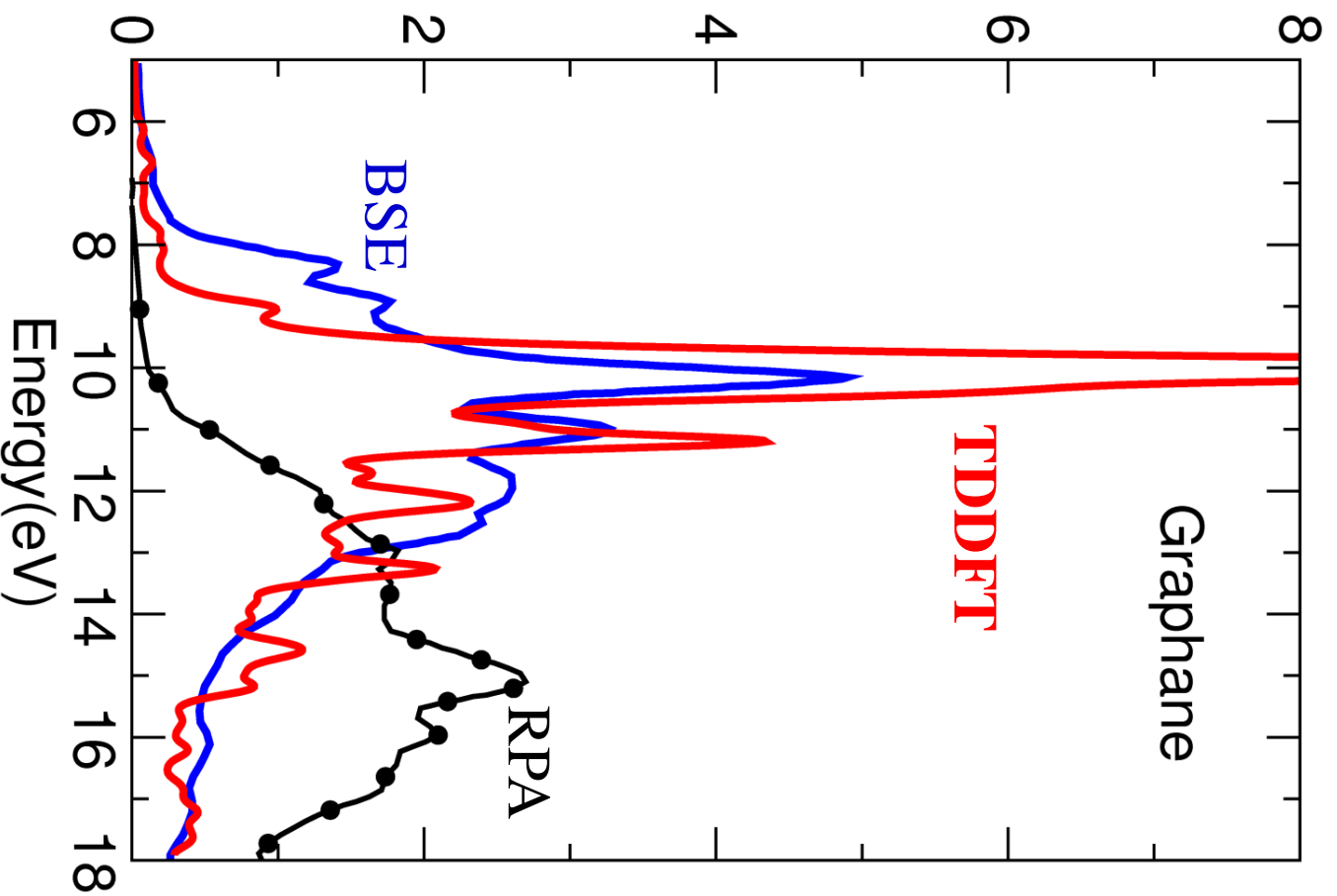
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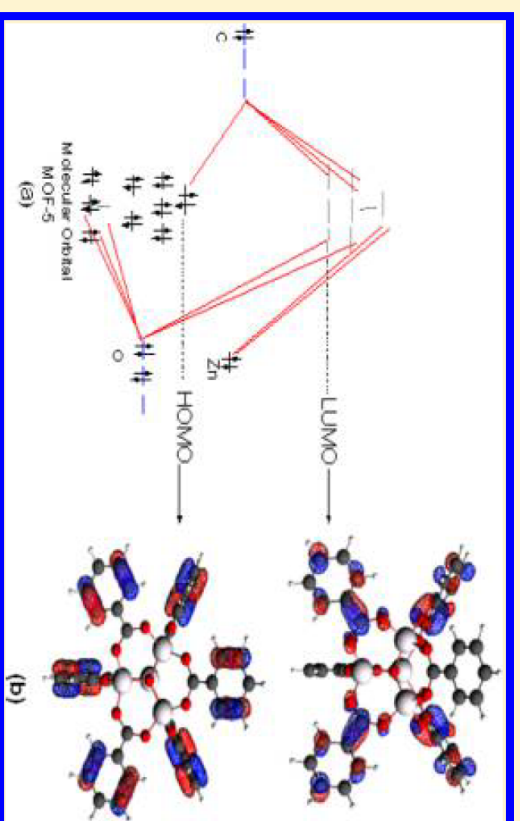


## Luminescent Properties of Metal–Organic Framework MOF-5: Relativistic Time-Dependent Density Functional Theory Investigations

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**ABSTRACT:** The electronically excited state and luminescence property of metal–organic framework MOF-5 were investigated using relativistic density functional theory (DFT) and time-dependent DFT (TDDFT). The geometry, IR spectra, and UV–vis spectra of MOF-5 in the ground state were calculated using relativistic DFT, leading to good agreement between the experimental and theoretical results. The frontier molecular orbitals and electronic configuration indicated that the luminescence mechanism in MOF-5 follows ligand-to-ligand charge transfer (LLCT), namely,  $\pi^* \rightarrow \pi$ , rather than emission with the ZnO quantum dot (QD) proposed by Bordiga et al. The geometry and IR spectra of MOF-5 in the electronically excited state have been calculated using the relativistic TDDFT and compared with those for the ground state. The comparison reveals that the  $\text{Zn}_4\text{O}_{13}$  QD is rigid, whereas the ligands  $\text{BDC}^{2-}$  are nonrigid. In addition, the calculated emission band of MOF-5 is in good agreement with the experimental result and is similar to that of the ligand  $\text{H}_2\text{BDC}$ . The combined results confirmed that the luminescence mechanism for MOF-5 should be LLCT with little mixing of the ligand-to-metal charge transfer. The reason for the MOF-5 luminescence is explained by the excellent coplanarity between the six-membered ring consisting of zinc, oxygen, carbon, and the benzene ring.





# A NANOPLASMONIC SWITCH BASED ON MOLECULAR MACHINES

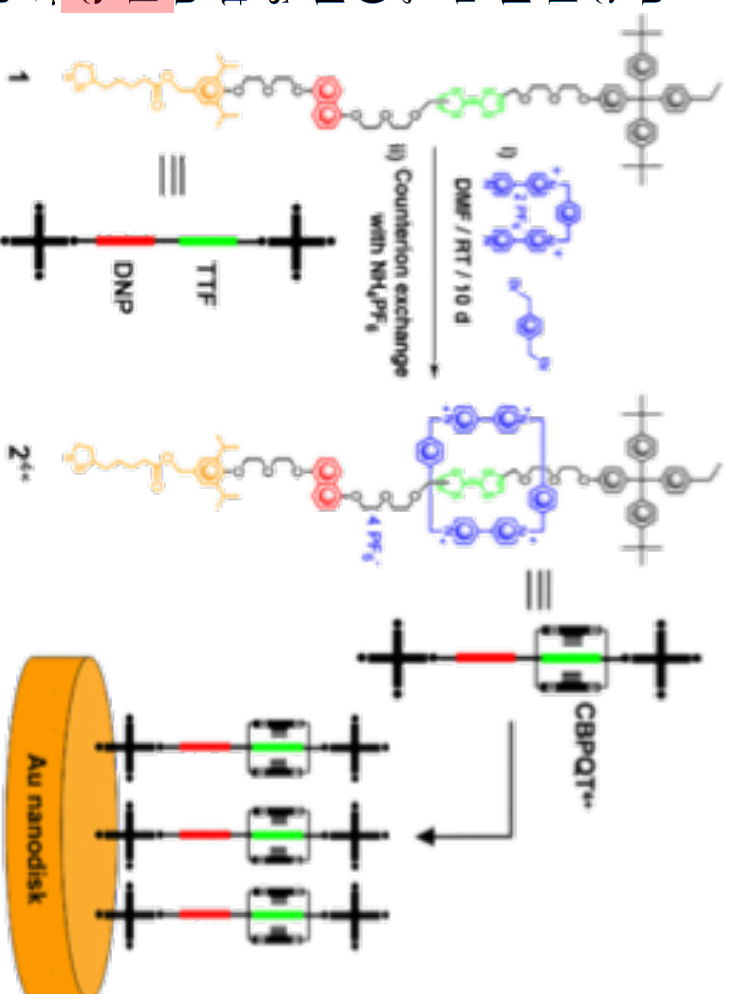
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## ABSTRACT

We aim to develop a molecular-machine-driven nanoplasmonic switch for its use in future nanophotonic integrated circuits (ICs) that have applications in optical communication, information processing, biological and chemical sensing. Experimental data show that an Au nanodisk array, coated with rotaxane molecular machines, switches its localized surface plasmon resonances (LSPR) reversibly when it is exposed to chemical oxidants and reductants. Conversely, bare Au nanodisks and disks coated with mechanically inert control compounds, do not display the same switching behavior. Along with calculations based on time-dependent density functional theory (TDDFT), these observations suggest that the nanoscale movements within surface-bound “molecular machines” can be used as the active components in plasmonic devices.



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