

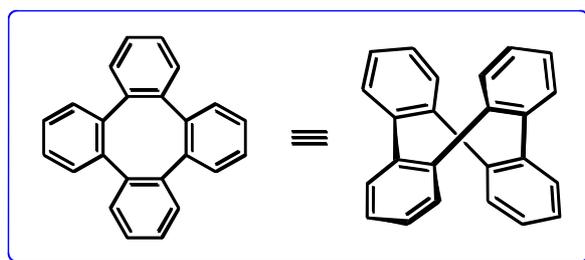
Chemistry of Hydroxytetraphenylenes

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Abstract:

Tetraphenylene is a structurally highly interesting molecule possessing a ground state D_{2d} geometry and is achiral. When hydroxy groups are introduced to relevant positions, some hydroxy-containing tetraphenylenes, e.g., 1,16-dihydroxytetraphenylene (DHTP) and 1,8,9,16-tetrahydroxytetraphenylene (THTP) as well as their derivatives, will become chiral. In this talk, structures, and properties of some planar and helical tetraphenylene derivatives will initially be presented. We will then concentrate on the quest for enantiomerically pure hydroxytetraphenylenes, to be followed by their applications in host-guest chemistry and in asymmetric catalysis.



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