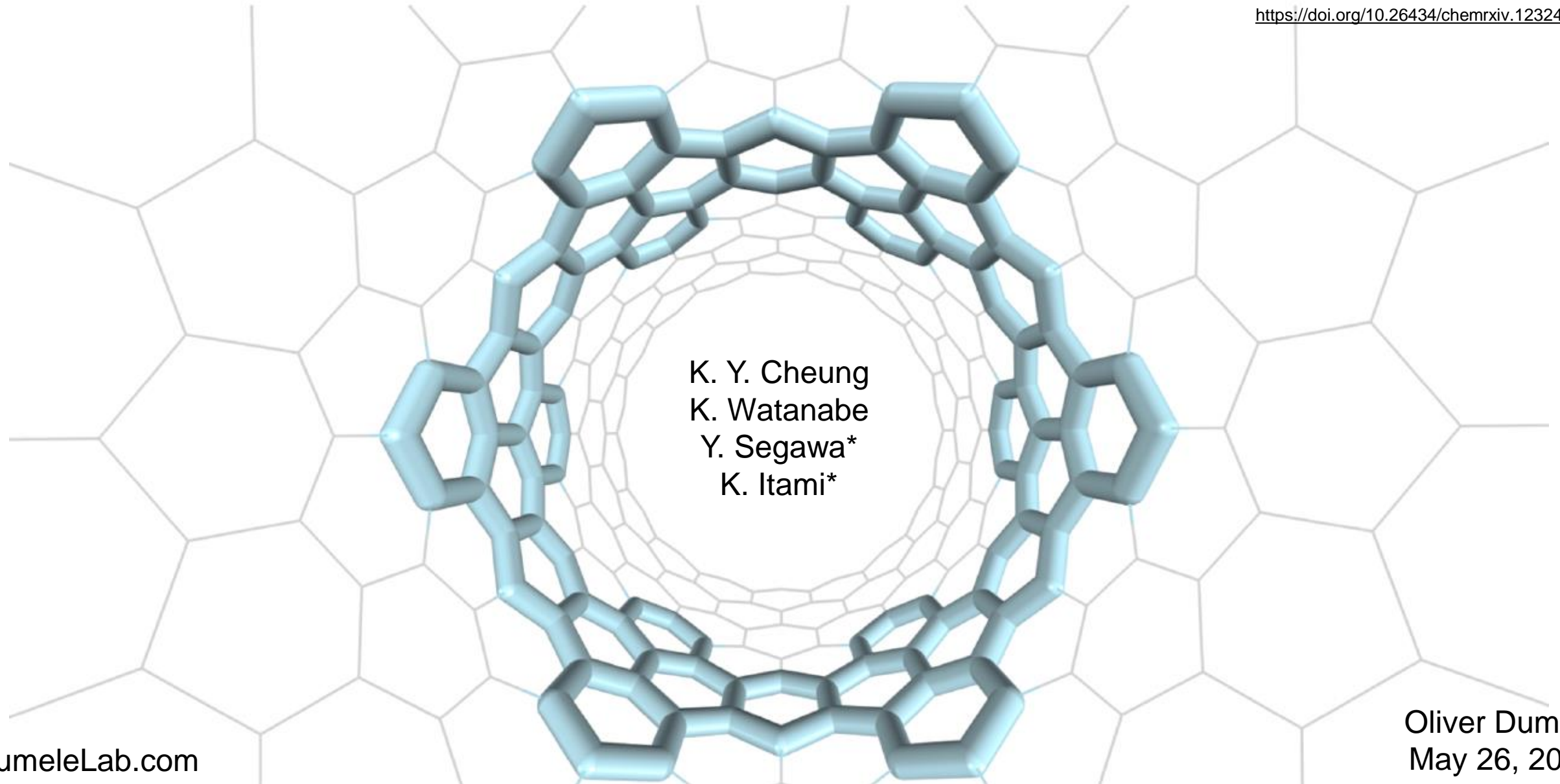


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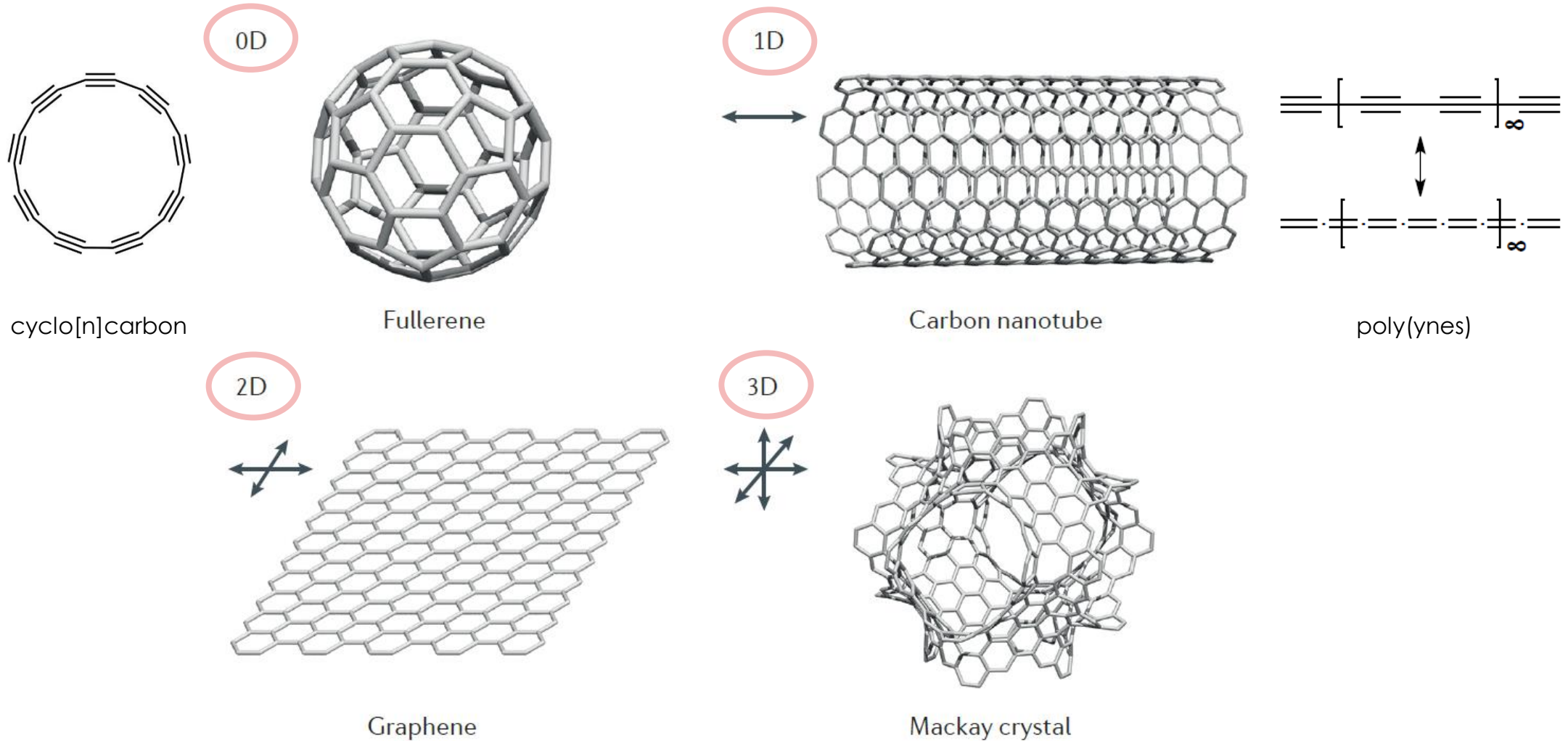
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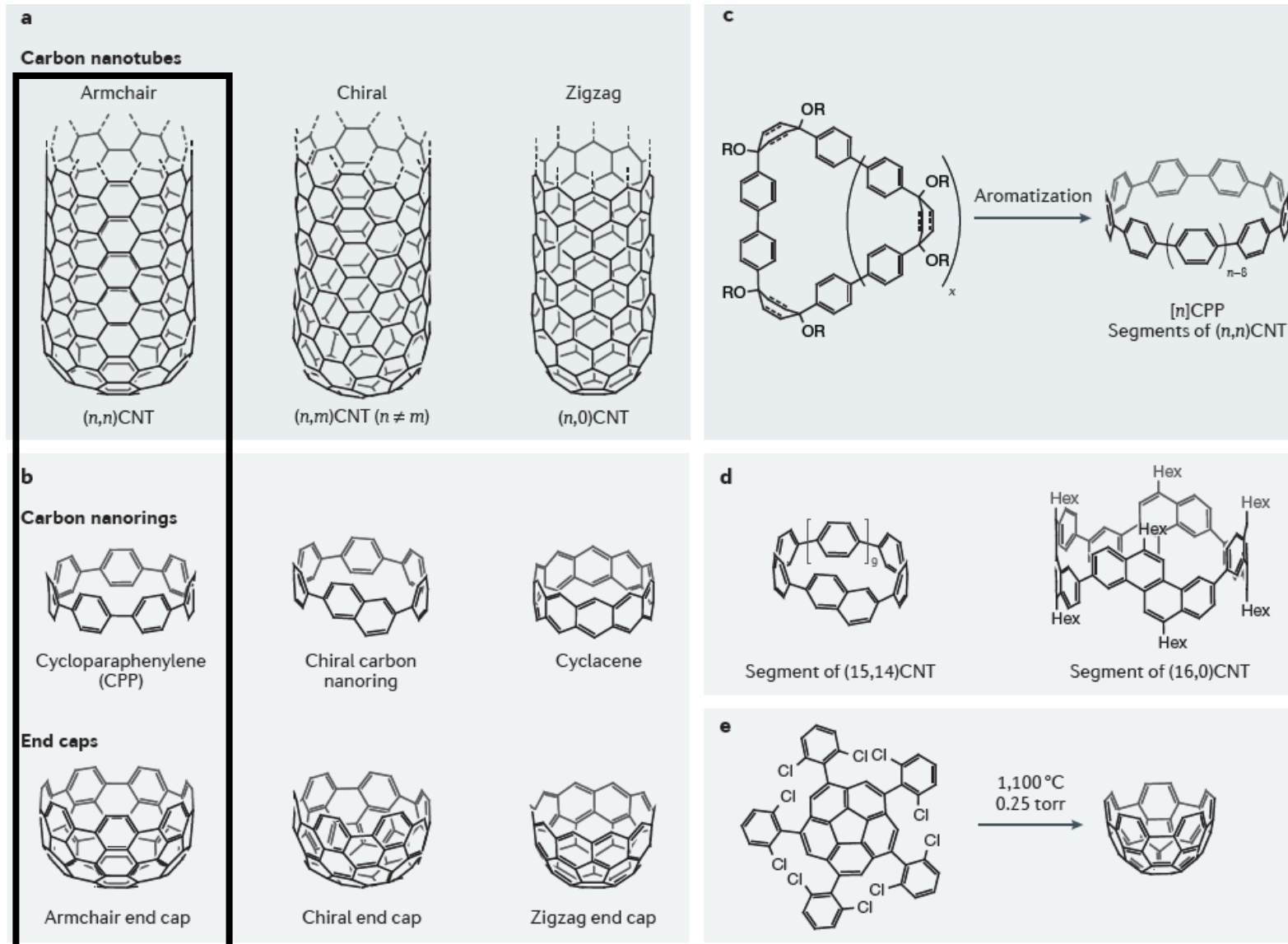


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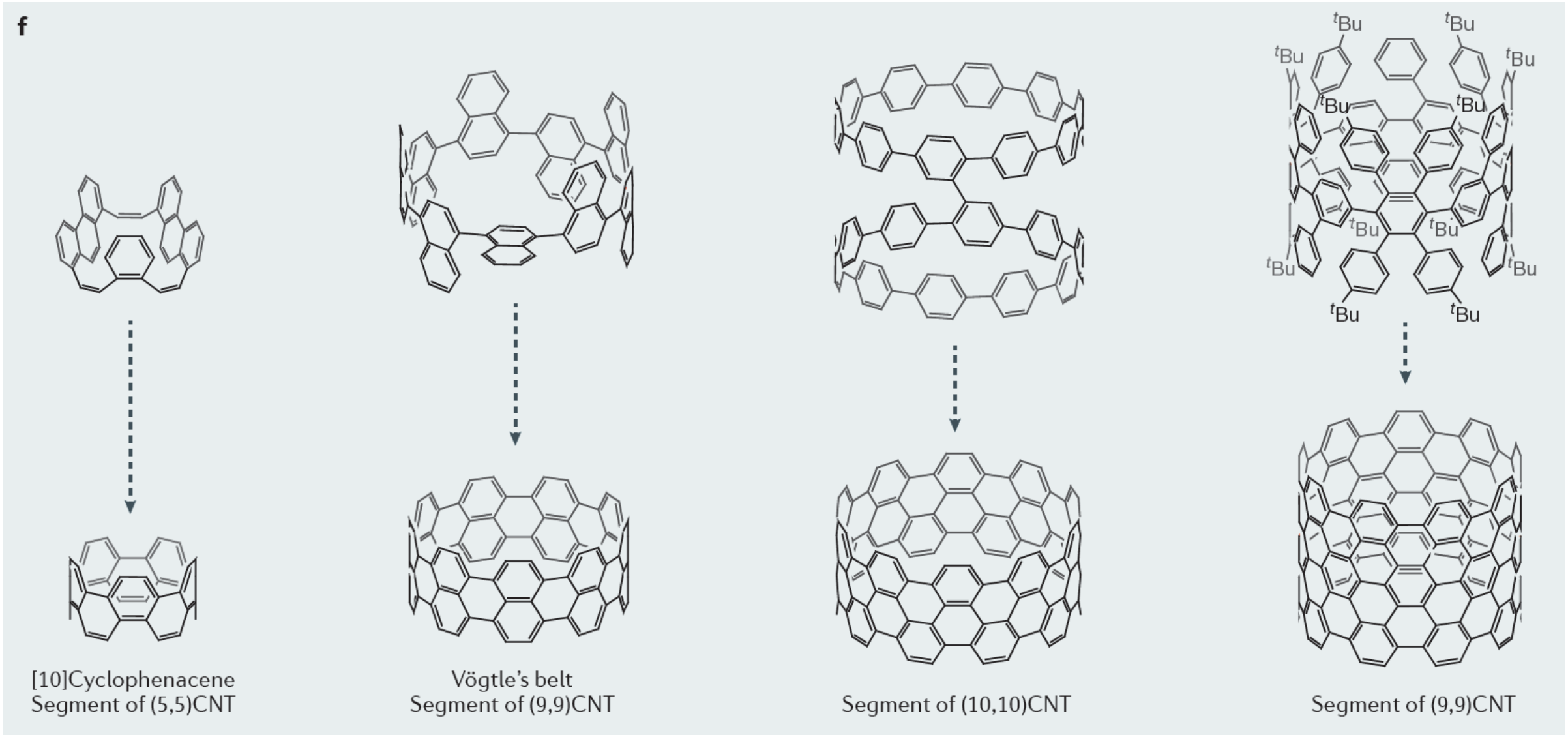
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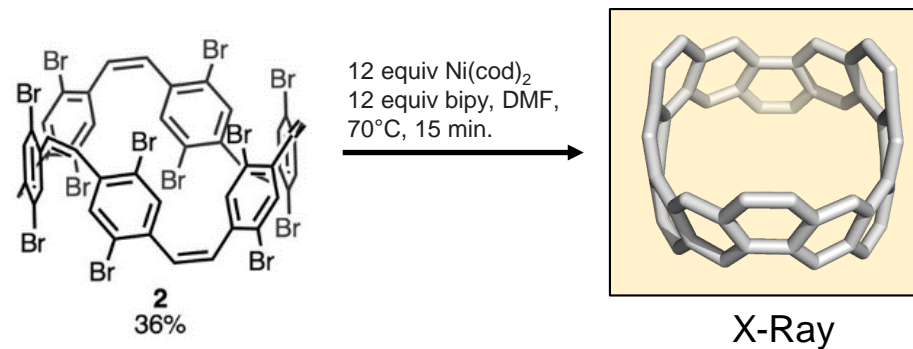
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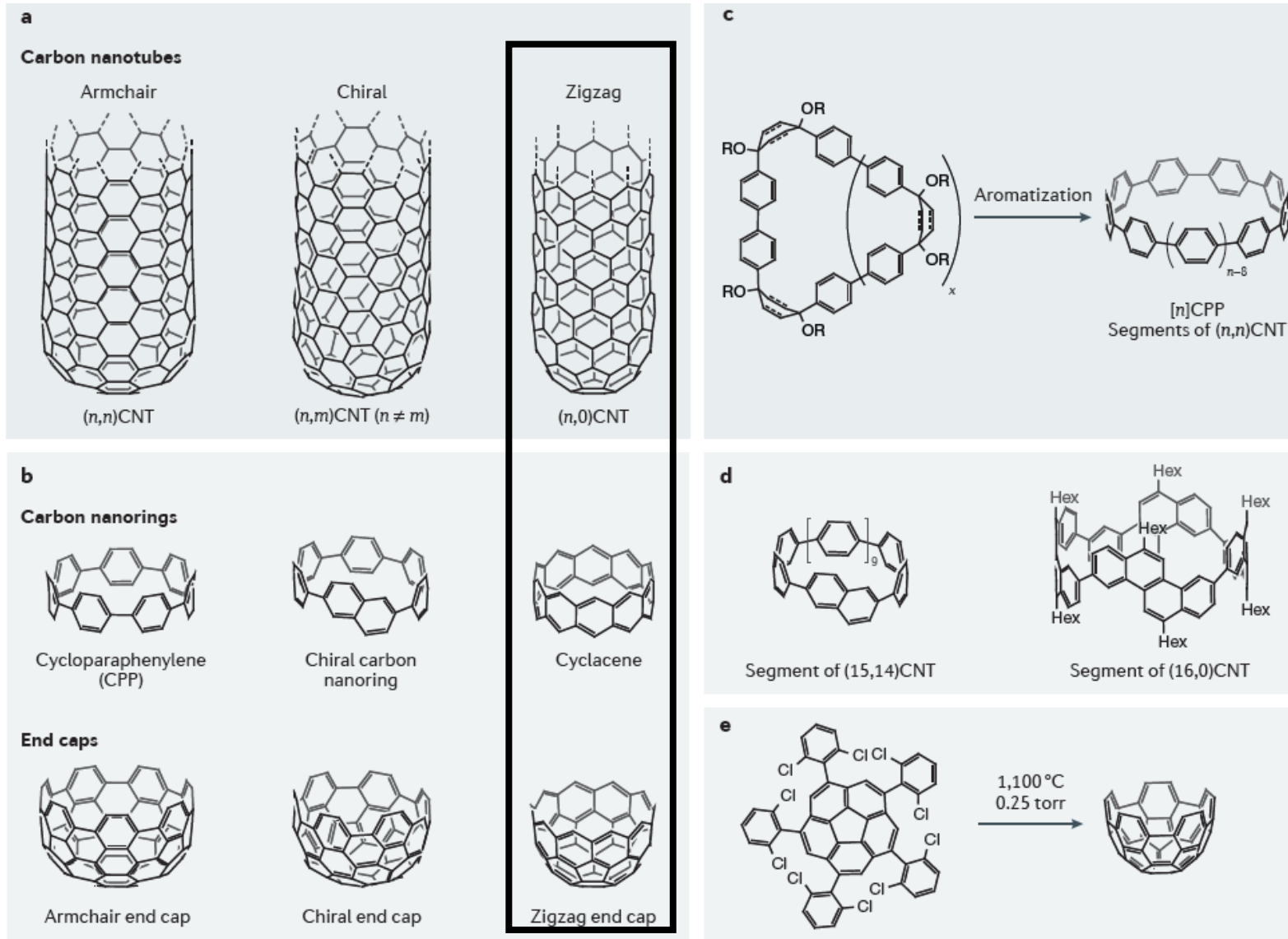
Armchair-Type Challenges



Itami's 2017 Carbon Nanobelt

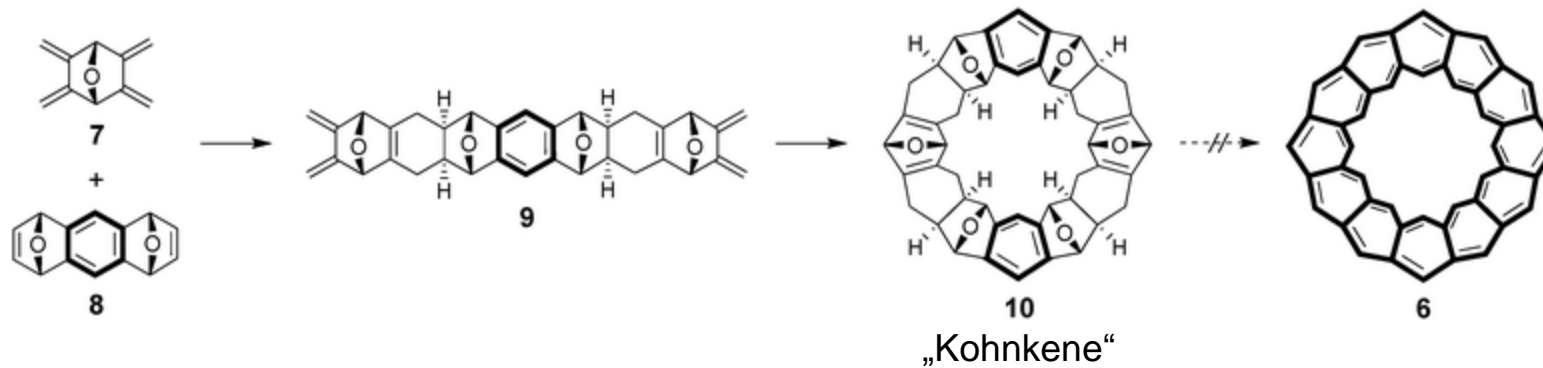
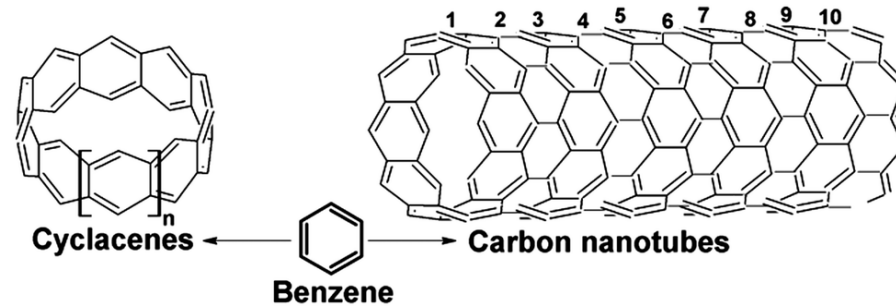


Synthetic Carbon Scaffolding



The Cyclacene Family

first proposed by E. Heilbronner
Helv. Chim. Acta 1954, 37, 921–935



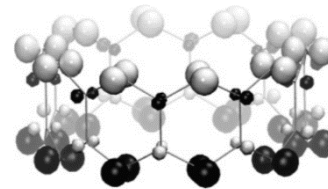
early synthetic attempt:

F. H. Kohnke, A. M. Z. Slawin, J. F. Stoddart, D. J. Williams, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **1987**, 26, 892–894

...also Schlüter and others tried

Are Cyclacenes Stable?

Schleyer & Houk:

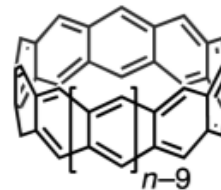


spin density; [10]cyclacene

Open-shell singlet character of cyclacenes

Z. Chen, D.-e. Jiang, X. Lu, H. F. Bettinger, S. Dai, P. von R. Schleyer, K. N. Houk, *Org. Lett.* **2007**, *9*, 5449–5452

Segawa, Ito, Itami:



C_n

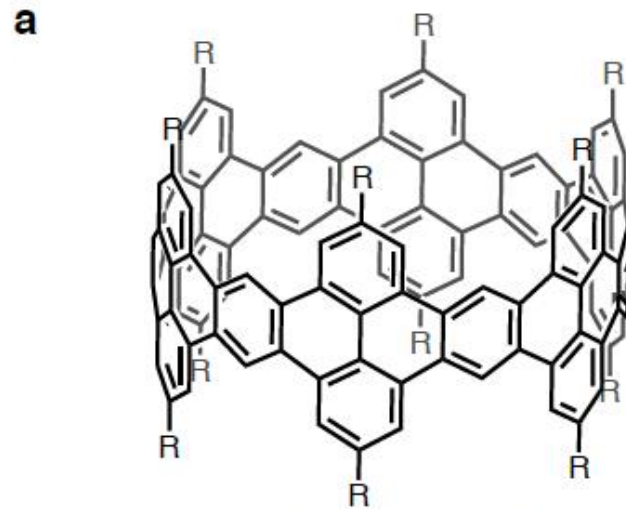
$$1324.3 \cdot n^{-1} \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$$
$$R^2 = 0.99708$$

A theoretical study on the strain energy of carbon nanobelts.

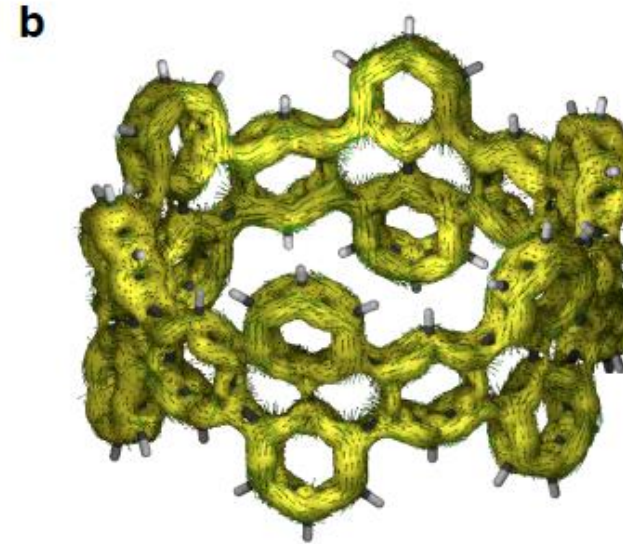
Y. Segawa, A. Yagi, H. Ito, K. Itami, *Org. Lett.* **2016**, *18*, 1430–1433

→ ***cyclacenes may not be stable***

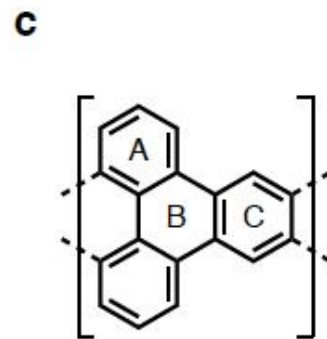
New Itami approach: Pyrene Subunits



(18,0) zigzag CNB
1 (R = *t*Bu), **1'** (R = H)

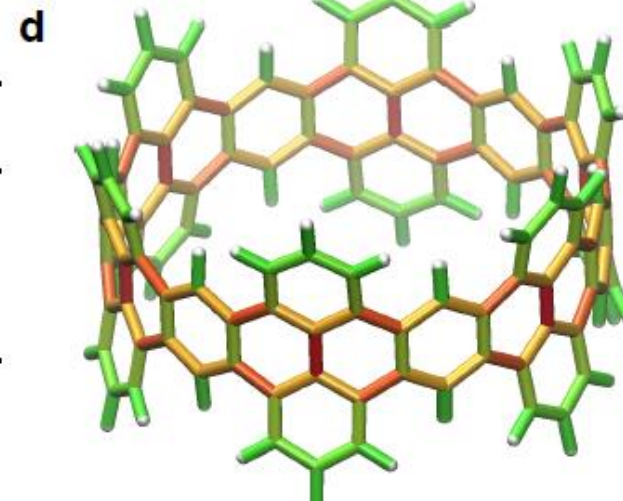


ACID plot
 (ring current)



Nucleus independent chem. shift
 (NICS values in ring centroid)

	NICS(0)
A	-7.54
B	0.99
C	-7.44



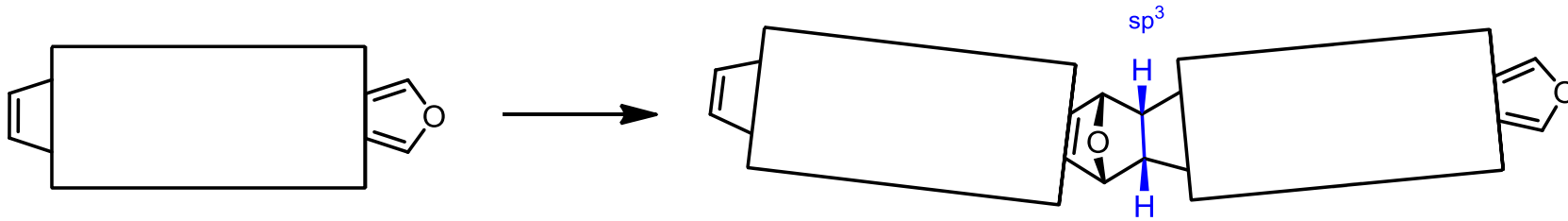
StrainViz analysis

Synthetic Approach: Consecutive Diels–Alder & Rearomatizations

similar to Schlüter approach

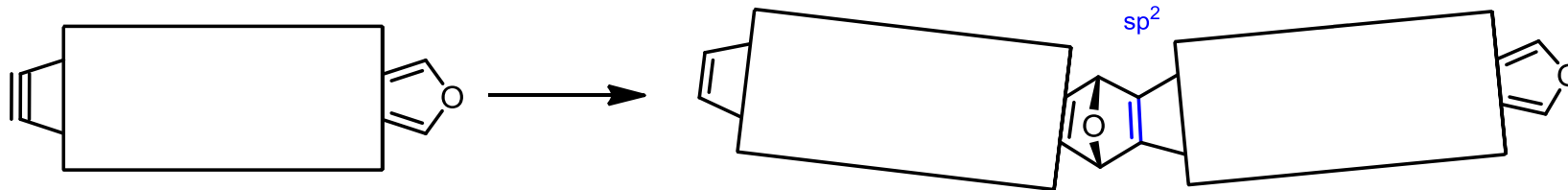
Schlicke, B.; Schirmer, H.; Schlüter, A. D. *Adv. Mater.* **1995**, *6*, 544.

Schlüter:

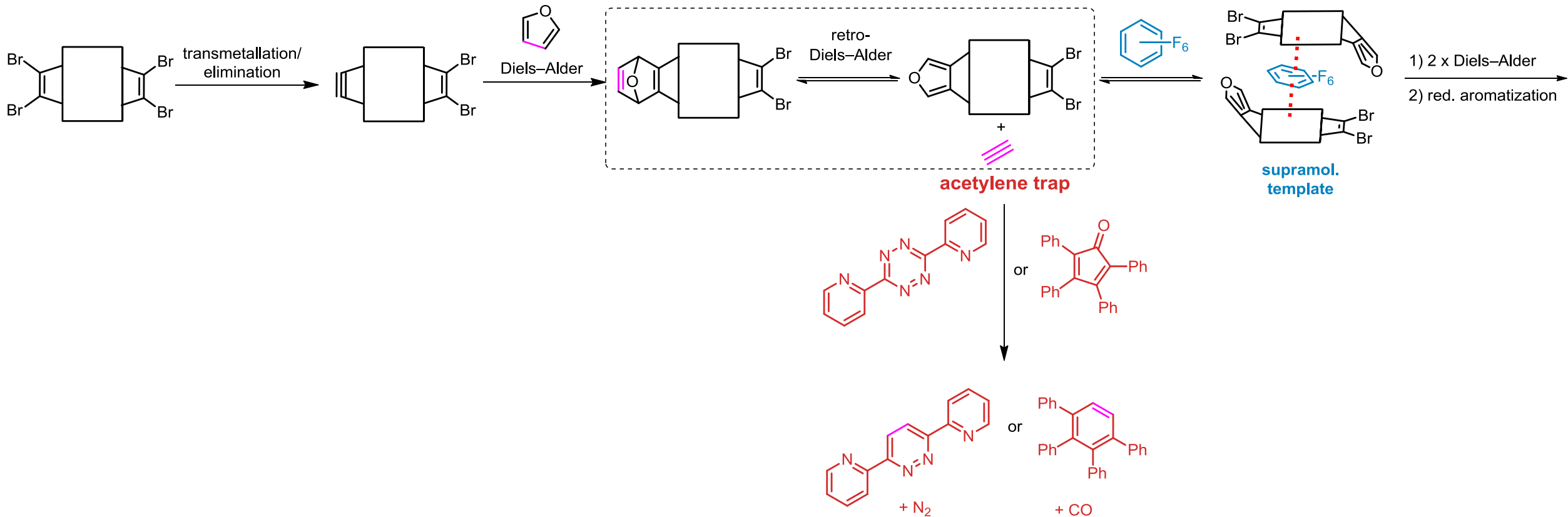


corner
stone

Itami:



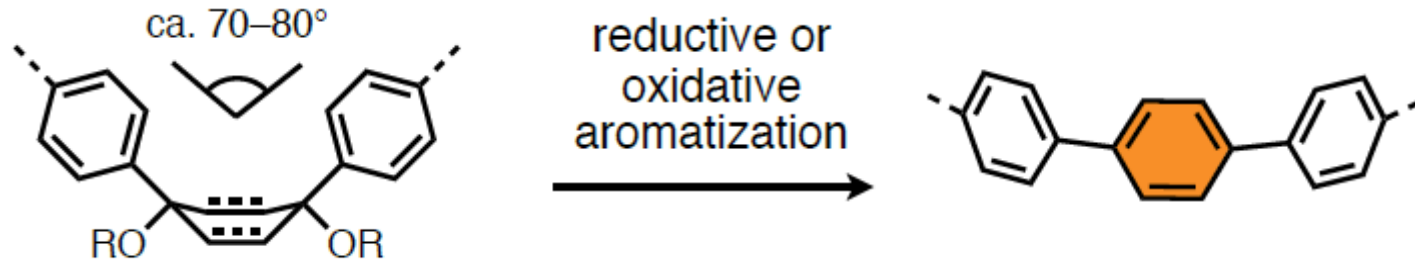
Key Step: retro-Diels–Alder to remove “excess of carbon” and reactivate for next DA



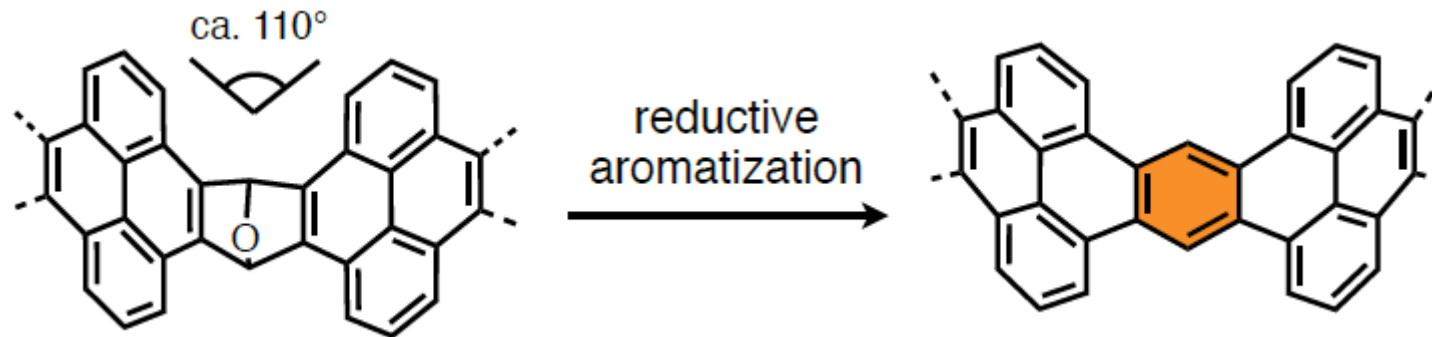
examples of alkyne–triazine cycloaddition and the role of the pyridyl substituents:
J. Prescher and co-workers, *Chem. Sci.* **2019**, *10*, 9109–9114

Strain Step:

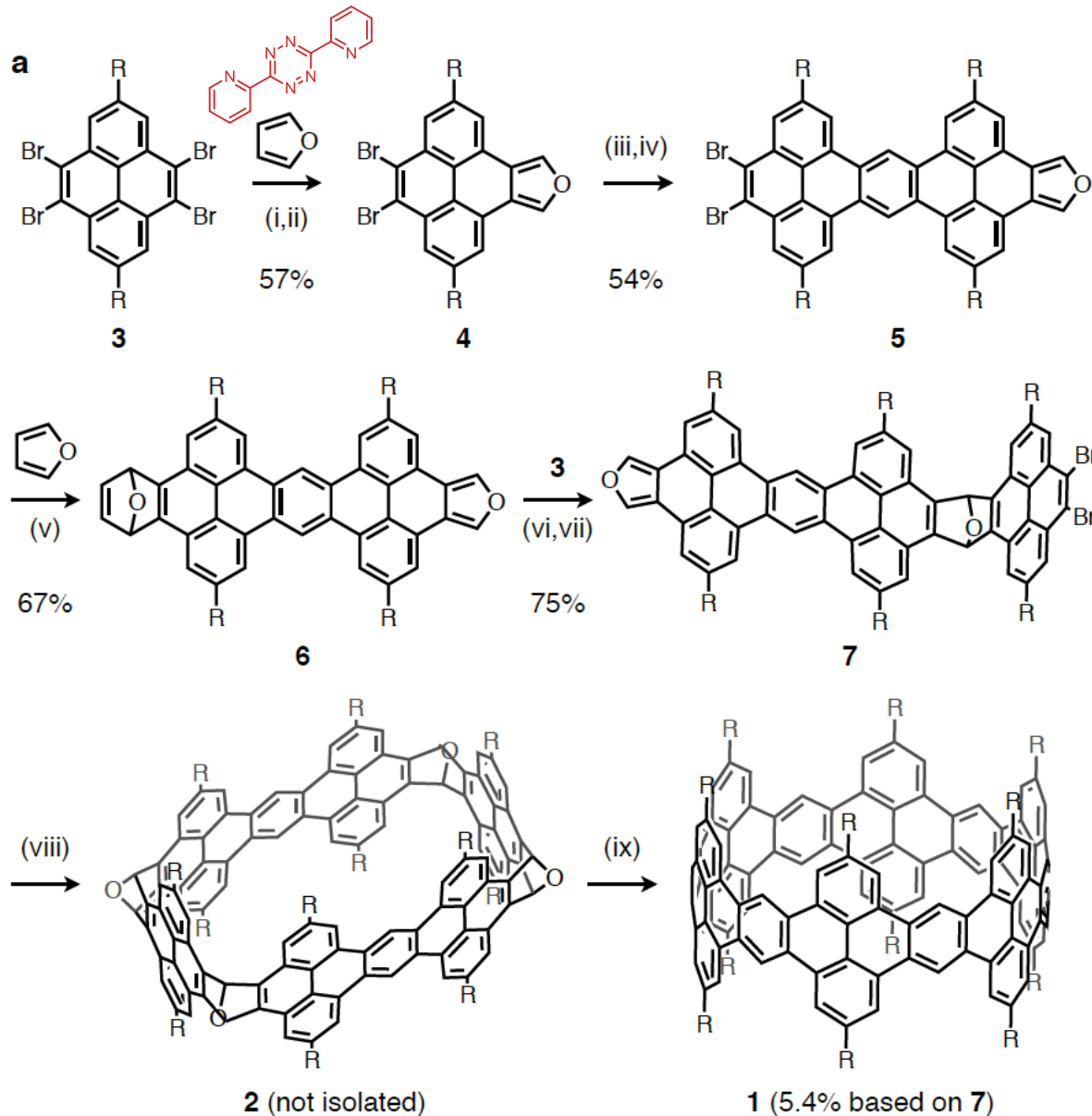
for CPP's



Now Itami,
similar to Stoddart's
Kohnkene...



Synthesis: Plenty of Unconventional Key Steps!



(i) furan (10 equiv.), *i*PrMgCl·LiCl (1.1 equiv.), THF, $-46\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, overnight;

(ii) **3,6-di-2-pyridyl-1,2,4,5-tetrazine** (1.05 equiv.), CHCl_3 , $60\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, overnight.

(i) *n*-BuLi (0.35 equiv.), toluene, $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, 2 h;

(iv) P(OPh)_3 (1.5 equiv.), NH_4ReO_4 (5 mol%), Na_2SO_4 (1 equiv.), toluene, $100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.

(v) furan (50 equiv.), *n*-BuLi (1.3 equiv.), PhCl/THF, $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, 1.5 h;

(vi) **3** (4 equiv.), *i*PrMgBr (3.5 equiv.), THF, $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, 3 h;

(vii) **tetraphenylcyclopentadienone** (1.05 equiv.), toluene, $130\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, overnight;

(viii) **hexafluorobenzene** (5 equiv.), *n*-BuLi (4 equiv.), PhCl/toluene, $-46\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, 1 h;

(ix) Cp_2TiCl_2 (10 equiv.), Mn powder (50 equiv.), THF, $60\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, overnight.

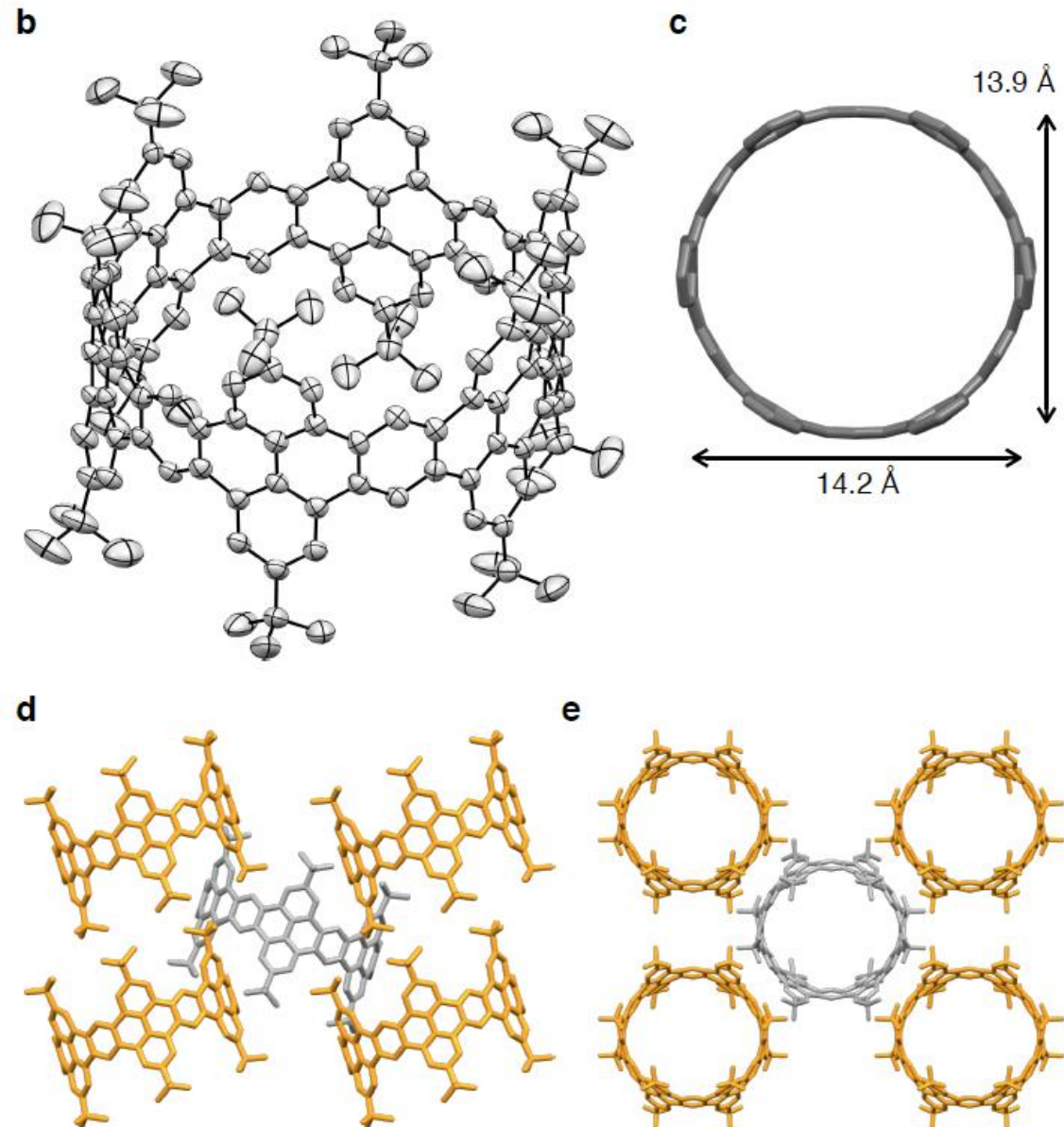
comments:

red: alkyne trapping reagents

blue: supramolecular template

green box: methodology key step

X-ray Structure



Opto-electronic Properties

