

Between 'Zero' and 'Infinity'

The 2007 Profile of the LTNFM

dr hab. Wojciech Grochala, Ph.D., D.Sc.



Interdisciplinary Center for Mathematical and
Computational Modeling, University of Warsaw,
Pawińskiego 5a, 02106 Warsaw, Poland

Web: <http://ltnfm.icm.edu.pl/>

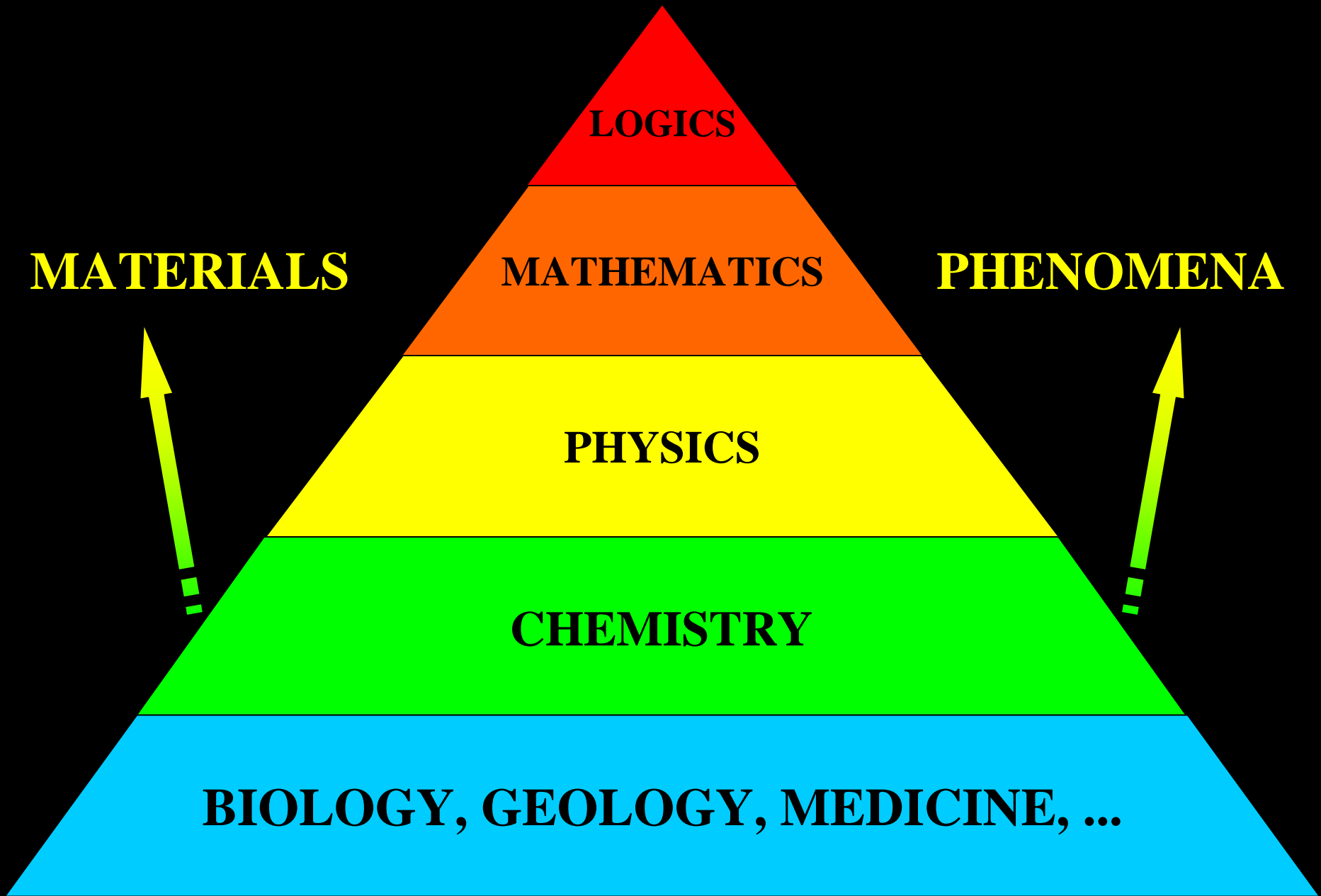
E-mail: wg22@cornell.edu

Faculty of Chemistry, University of Warsaw
Pasteur 1, 02093 Warsaw

Tel. (22) 8220211 ext. 276, Fax. (22) 8222309

Web: <http://www.chem.uw.edu.pl/people/WGrochala/>

MKTI (ICM, Warsaw) 22 Feb 2008



MATERIALS

1. Novel Superconductors

On The Continuing (Chemical) Challenge of High Temperature Superconductivity:

“Surely the problem can't be that difficult can it dear friend....

Justmix 'Perfect, Zero and Infinity' with our beloved Periodic Table.....

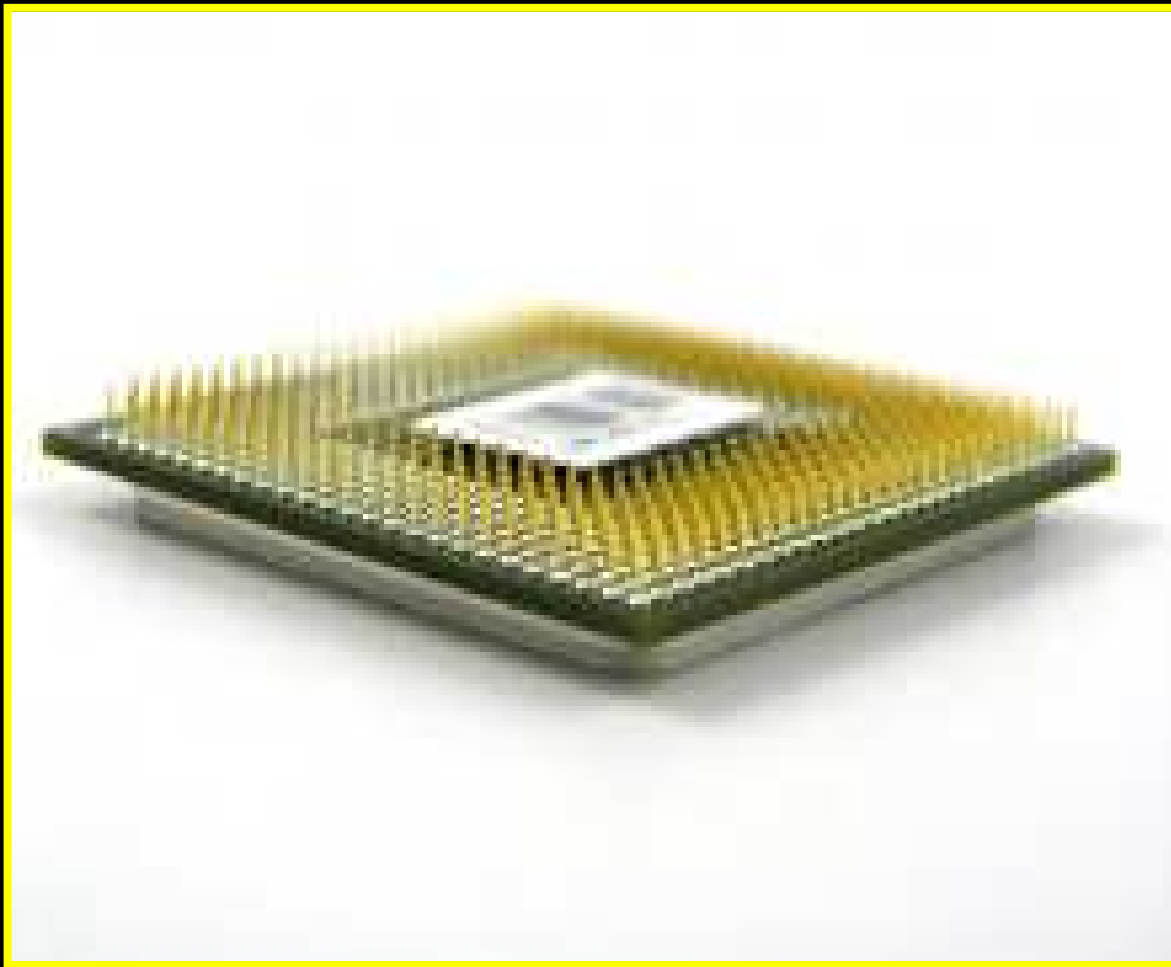
*Regards and Hugs to you and all
Pete”*

Peter P. Edwards, ICL, Oxford

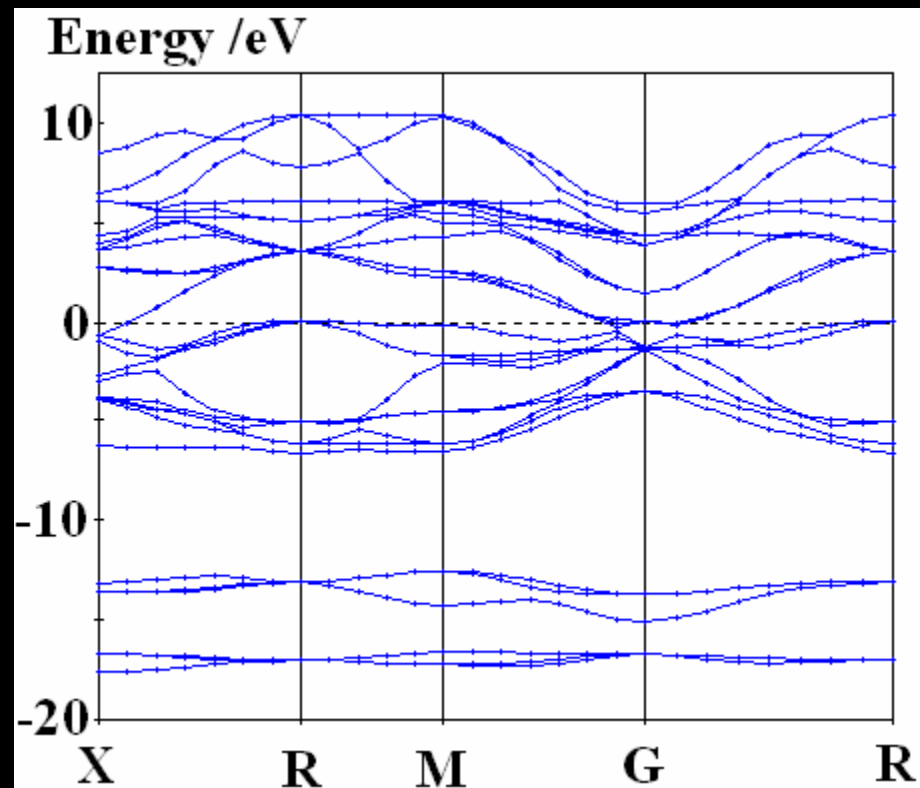
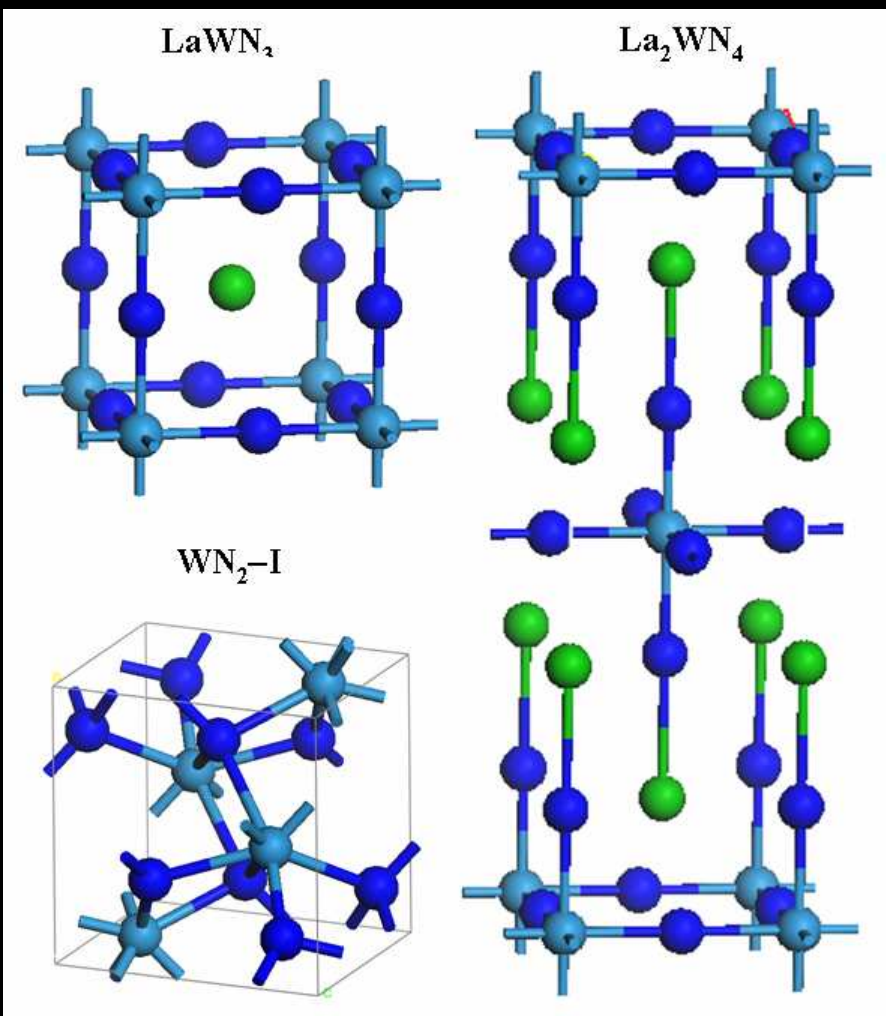
levitation



Perfect diamagnetism...

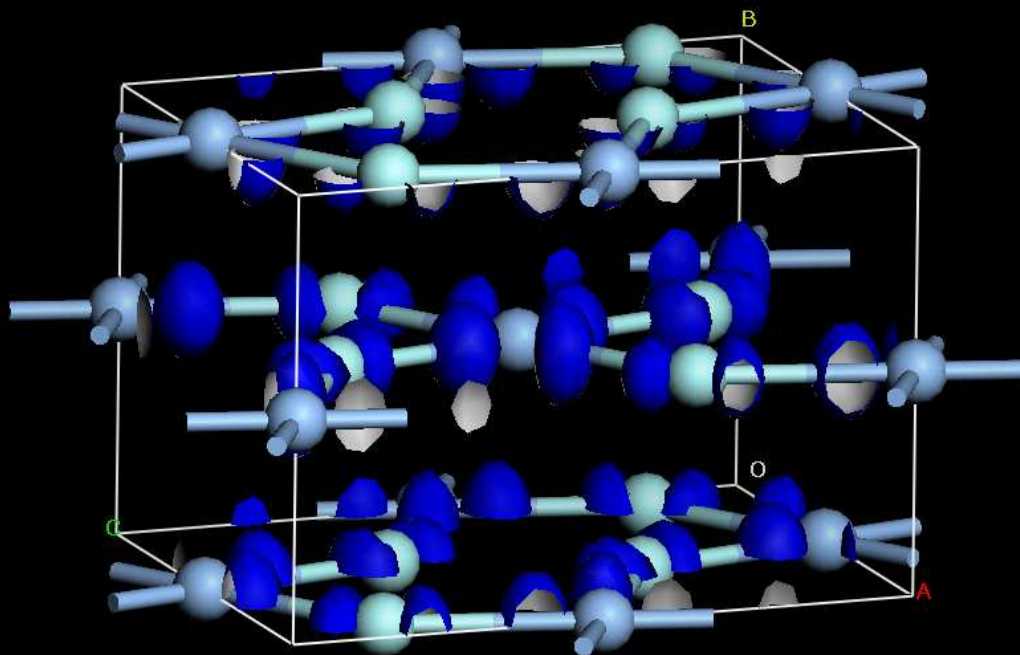
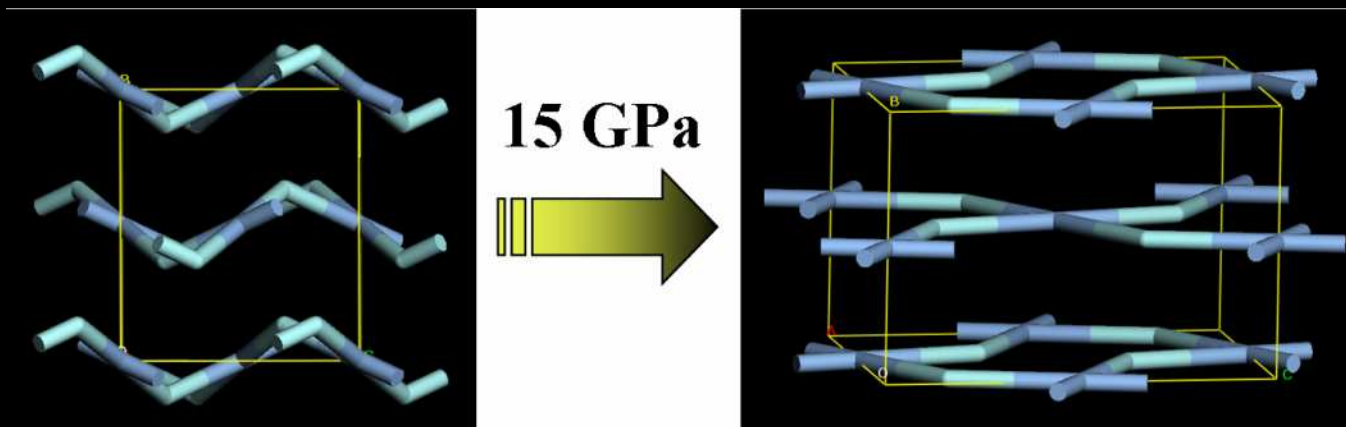
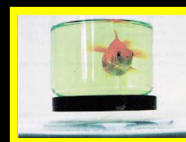


Zero resistance...



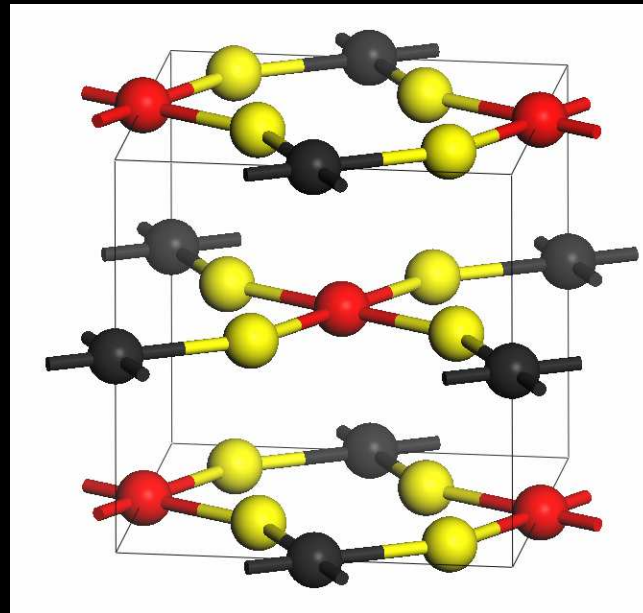
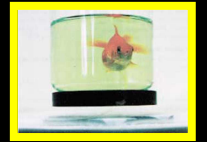
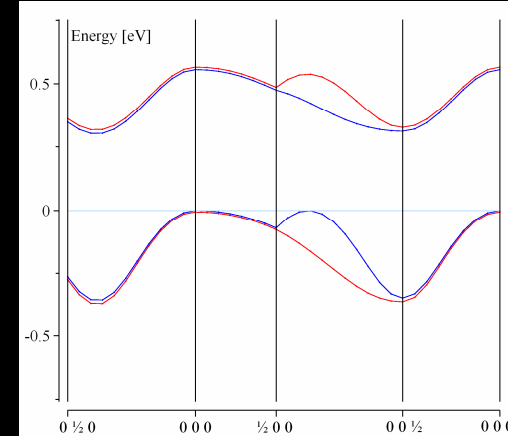
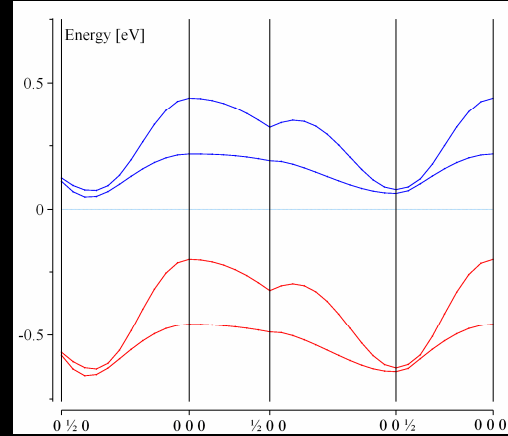
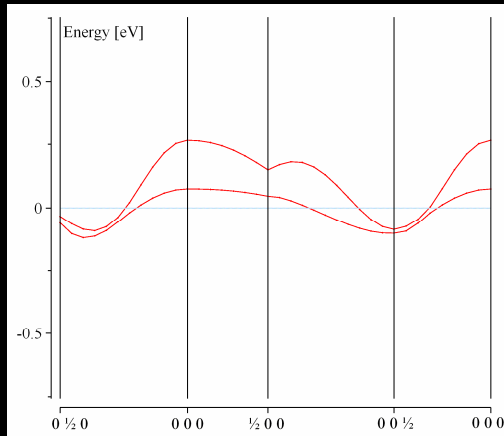
Hypothetical $\text{LaW}^{\text{VI}}\text{N}_3$

POL J CHEM 81(5-6): 613-620 (2007)
invited paper for a special issue



J PHYS COND MATTER 19(12): 116206 (2007)

GROCHALA, ICM, 22 Feb 2008



PHYS STAT SOL B RRL 2(2): 71-73 2008
Dedicated to Arndt Simon, MPI Stuttgart

GROCHALA, ICM, 22 Feb 2008

MATERIALS

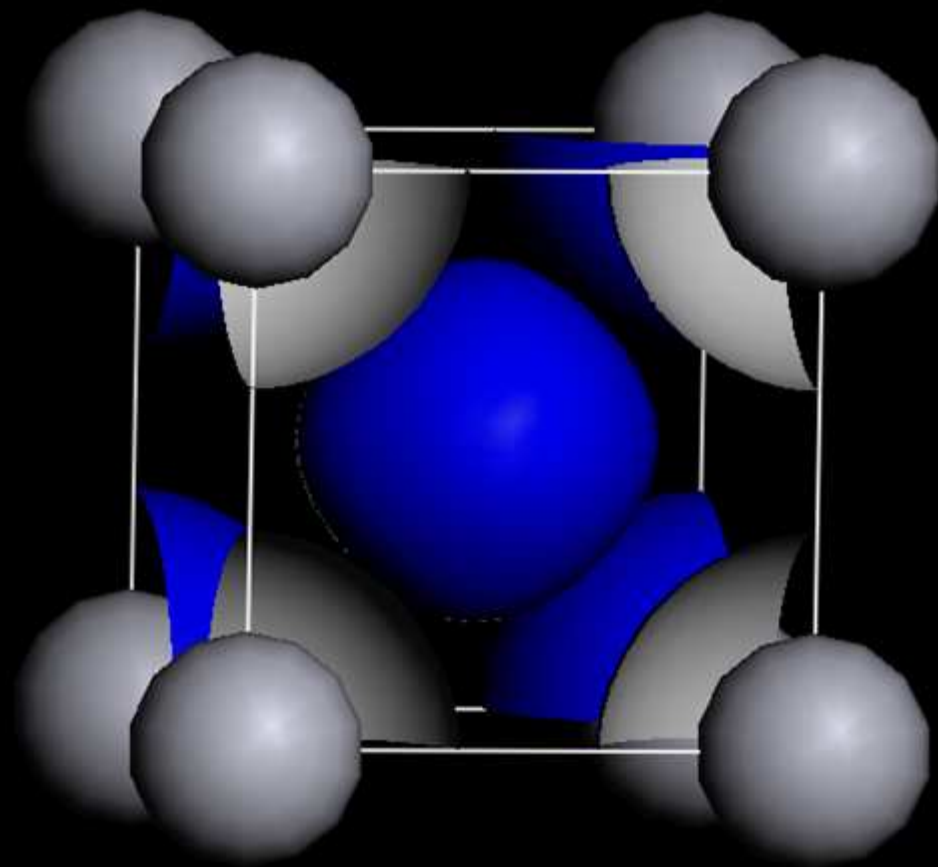
2. Novel Chemical Bonds

WebElements™ periodic table

Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Period																		
1	1 H																	2 He
2	3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
3	11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
4	19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
5	37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
6	55 Cs	56 Ba	* 71 Lu	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
7	87 Fr	88 Ra	** 103 Lr	104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs	109 Mt	110 Ds	111 Rg	112 Uub	113 Uut	114 Uuq	115 Uup	116 Uuh	117 Uus	118 Uuo
*Lanthanoids	* 57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb				
**Actinoids	** 89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No				

Nearly all elements bind to something...
Not all pairs of elements bind...

Hg–Xe amalgam @ 750,000 atm



CHEM SOC REV 36(10): 1632-1655 2007

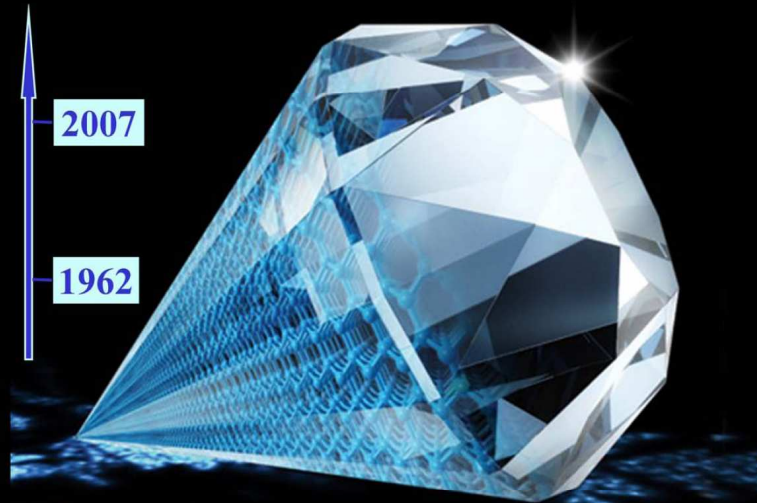
Hot paper

Chem Soc Rev

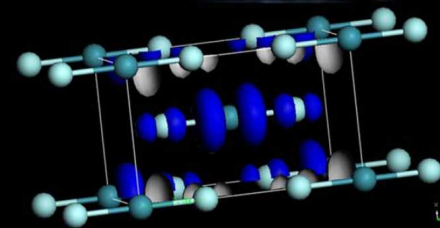
Chemical Society Reviews

www.rsc.org/chemsocrev

Volume 36 | Number 10 | October 2007 | Pages 1533 - 1696



Xe
Xe
54 131.29



ISSN 0306-0012

RSC Publishing

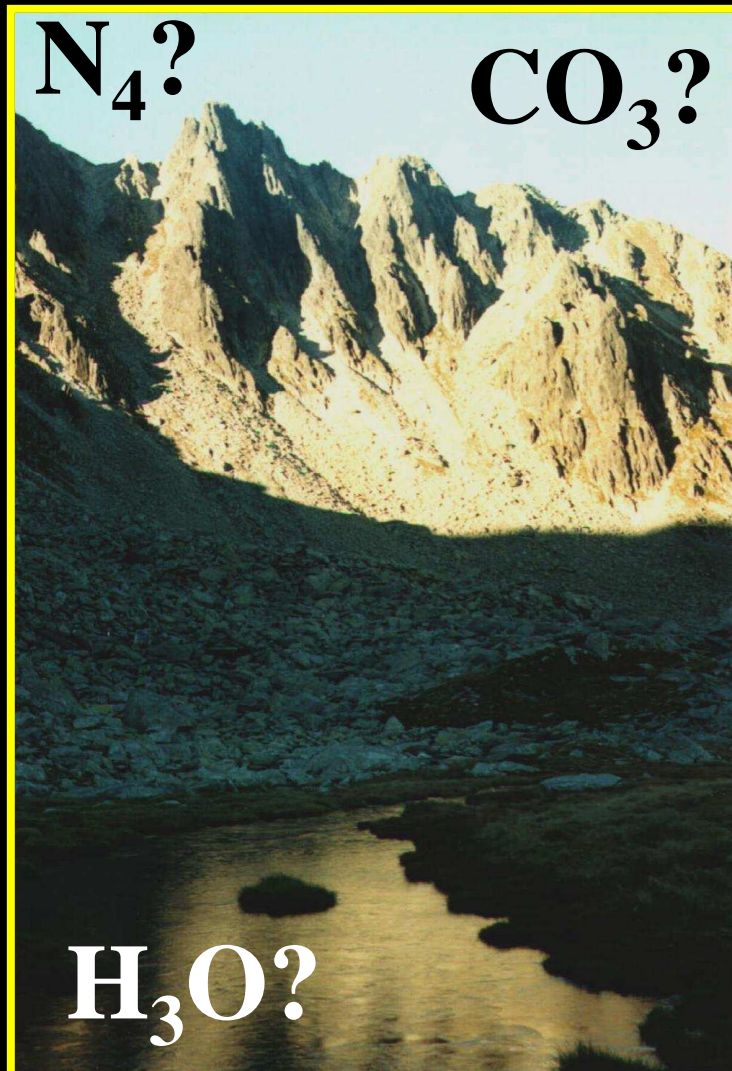
TUTORIAL REVIEW
Marc Aucouturier and Evelyne Darque-Ceretti
The surface of cultural heritage artefacts

CRITICAL REVIEW
Wojciech Grochala
Atypical compounds of gases, which have been called 'noble'

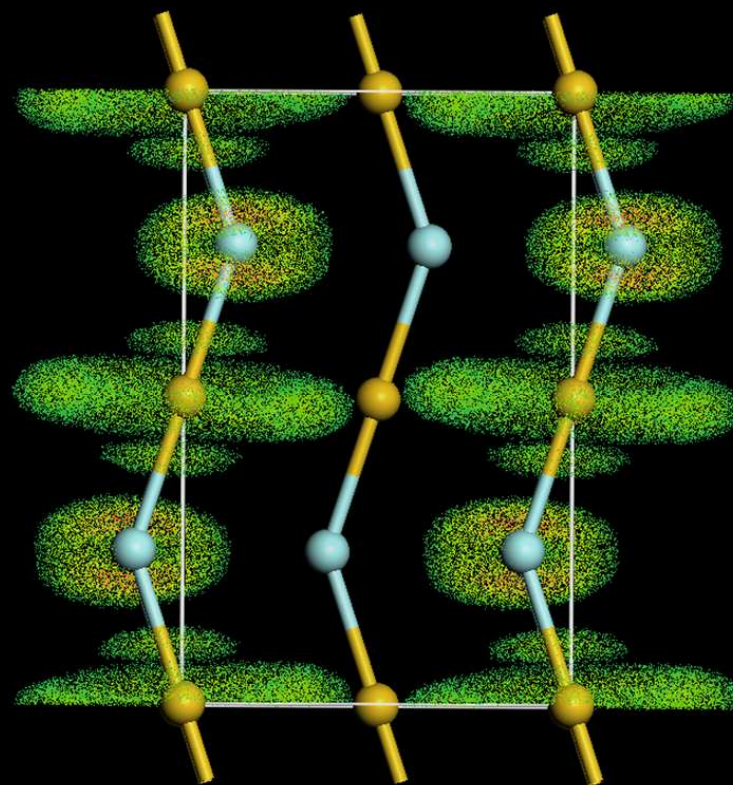
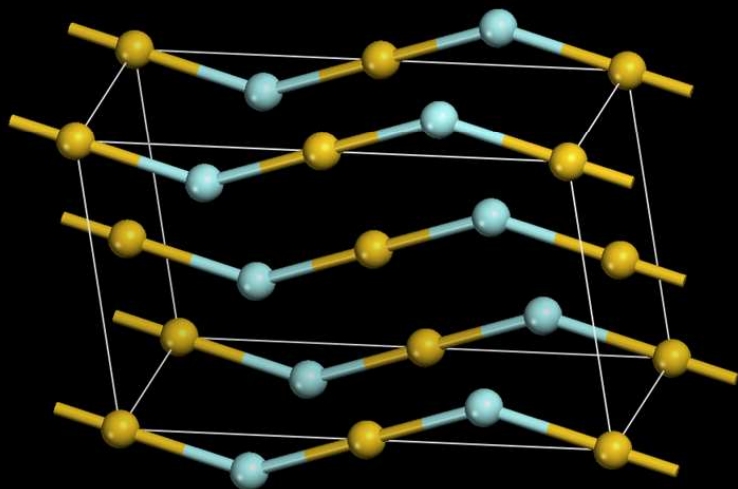
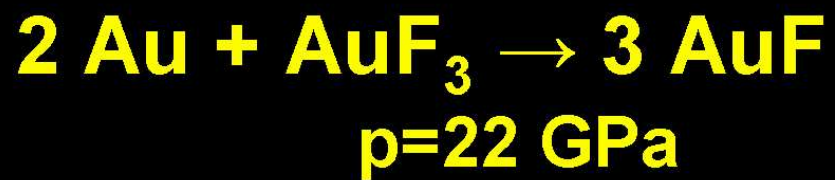
GROCHALA, ICM, 22 Feb 2008

MATERIALS

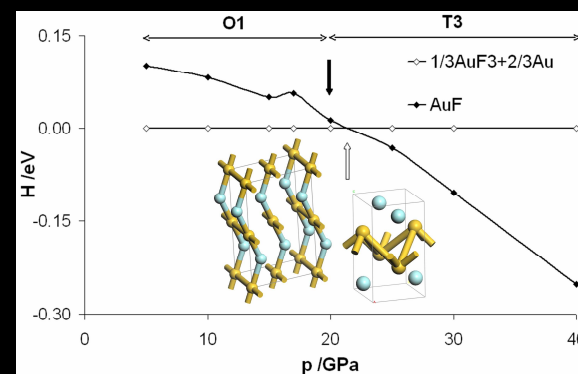
3. Unusual Compositions



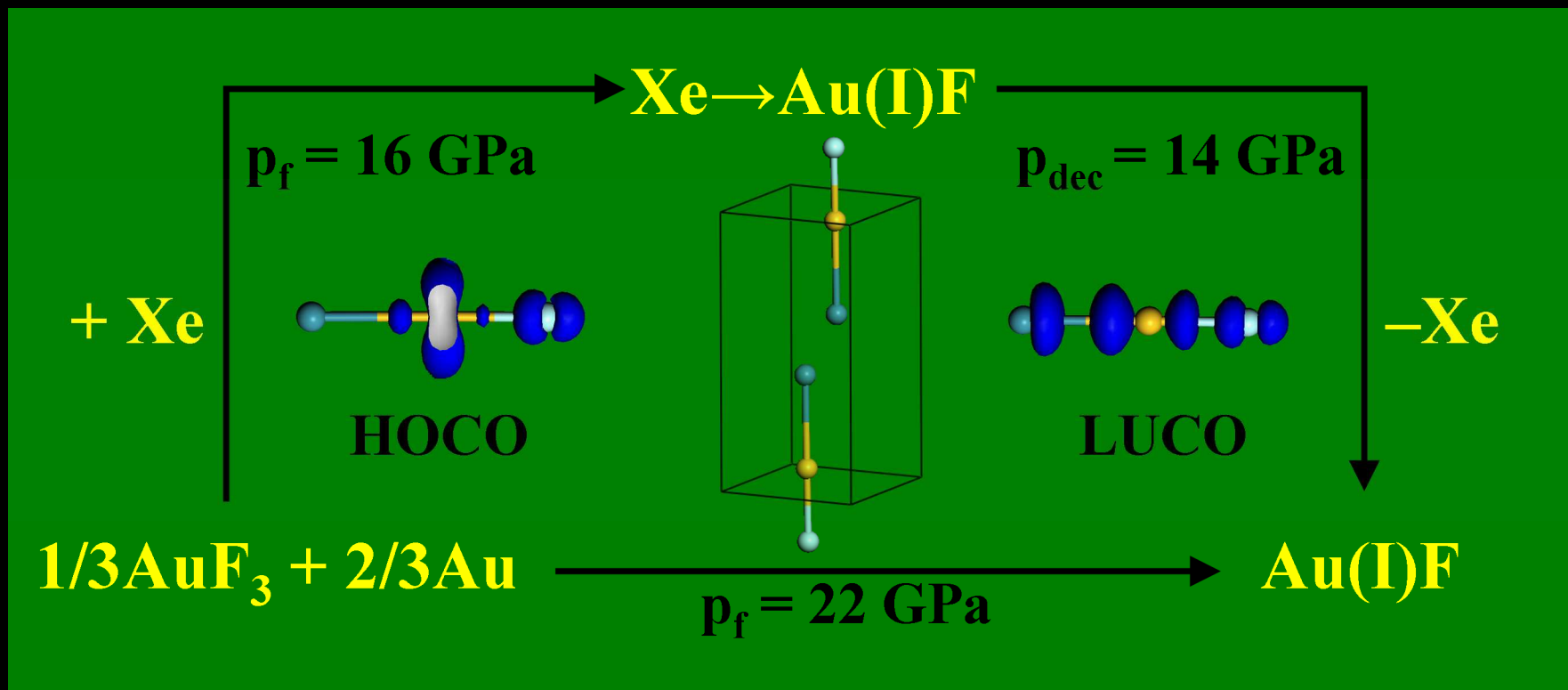
*Most pairs of elements may bind...
Not all compositions are easy to get...*



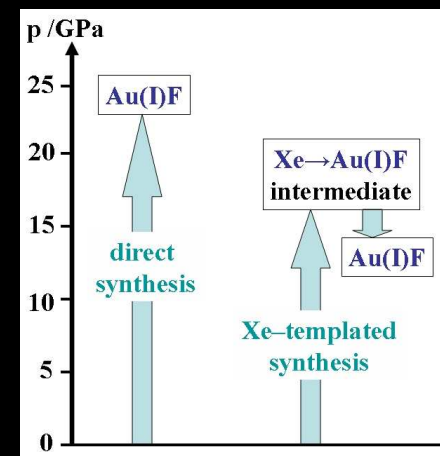
CHEM COMMUN: in press 2008



GROCHALA, ICM, 22 Feb 2008



in press, Z ANORG ALLG CHEM 2008
dedicated to Konrad Seppelt (Freie.U.Berlin)



PHENOMENA

High-Pressure Phenomena



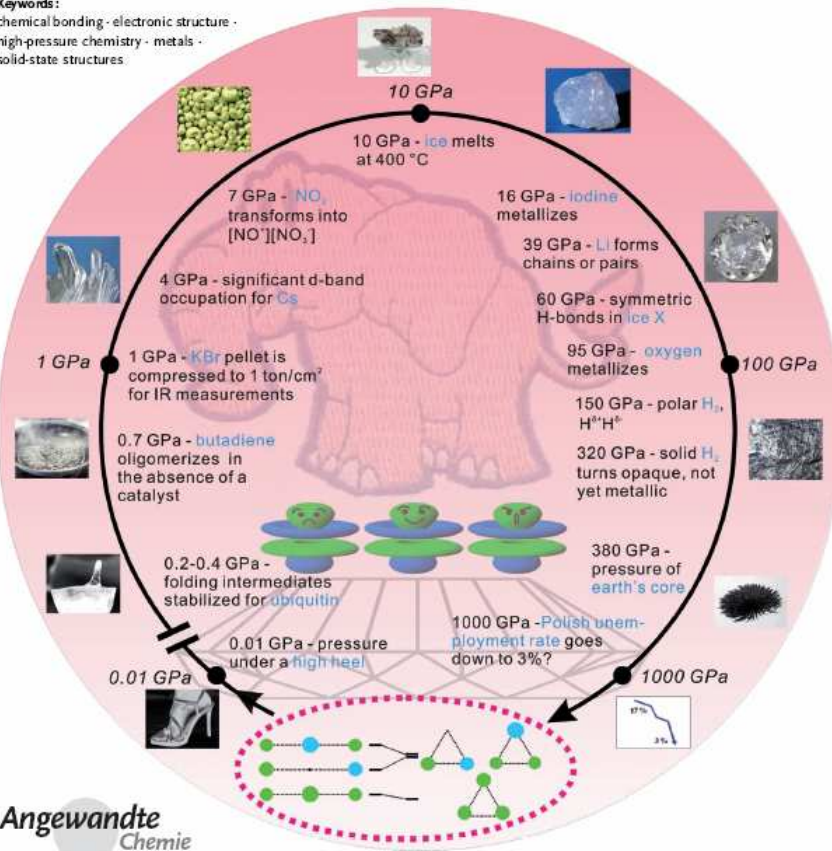
The pV world...
 3.5 mln atm (static) exceeded...

The Chemical Imagination at Work in *Very Tight Places*

Wojciech Grochala,* Roald Hoffmann,* Ji Feng,* and Neil W. Ashcroft*

Keywords:

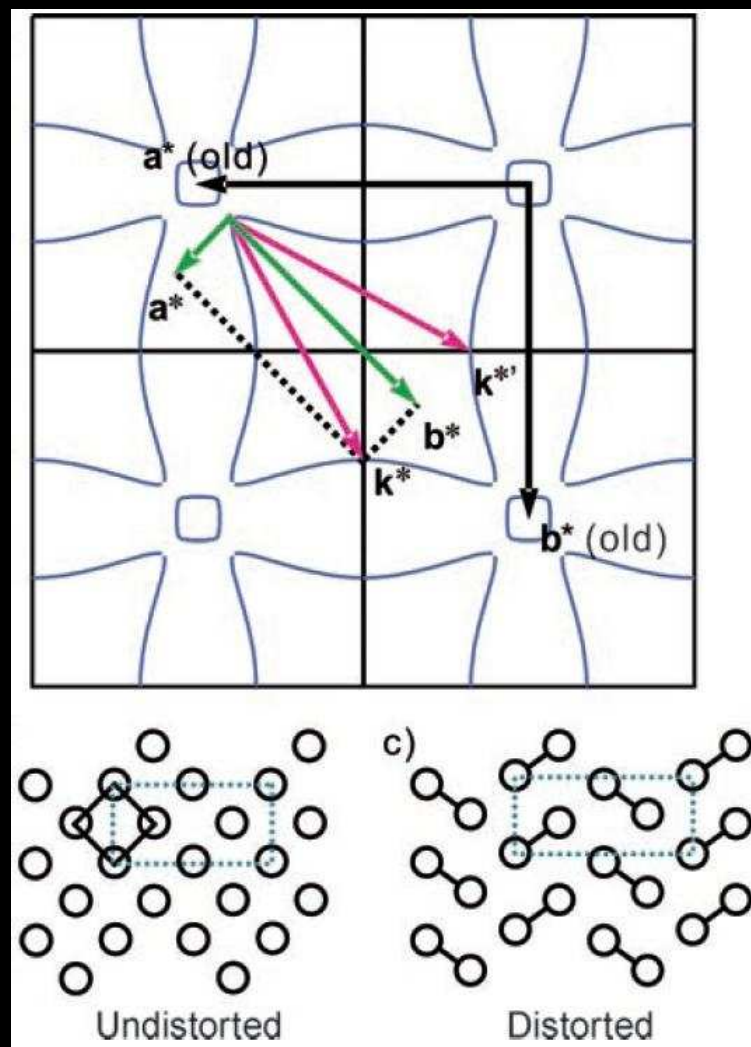
chemical bonding · electronic structure · high-pressure chemistry · metals · solid-state structures.



3620 www.angewandte.org

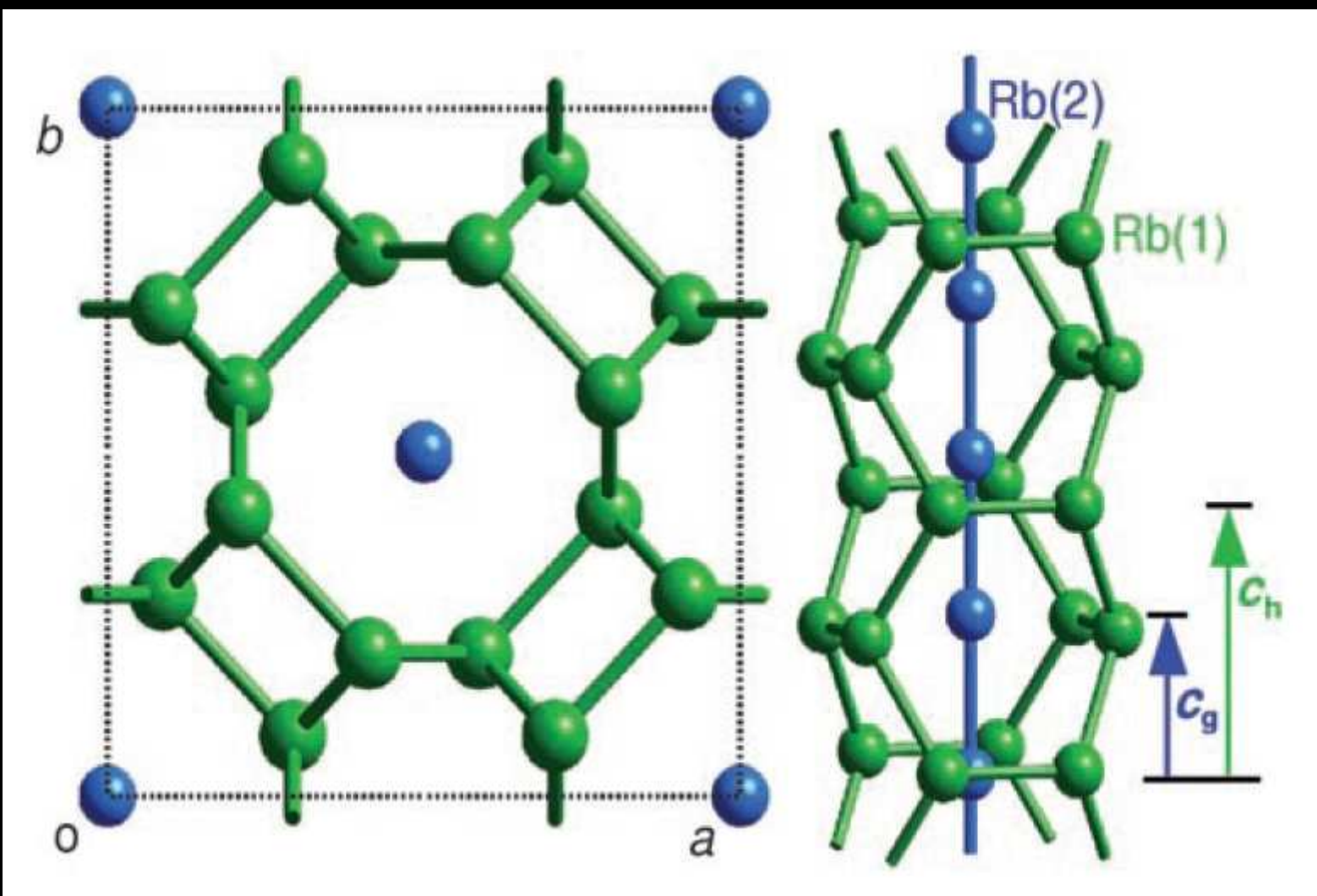
© 2007 Wiley-VCH Verlag GmbH & Co. KGaA, Weinheim

Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2007, 46, 3620–3642



ANGEW CHEM INT ED ENGL 46(20): 3620-3642 (2007)

GROCHALA, ICM, 22 Feb 2008



ANGEW CHEM INT ED ENGL 46(20): 3620-3642 (2007)

Perfect...

Null...

Infinite...

Symmetric...

Immeasurable...

Incommensurate...

Continuum...

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



The Group

T. Jaroń
D. Kurzydłowski
Ł. Maj
J. Romiszewski

Invitation

Organizers

\$\$\$

Fund for Polish Science & Technology; Polish Ministry of Science and Education; EU 6th FP /M.Curie Actions/; The University of Warsaw

GROCHALA, ICM, 22 Feb 2008