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Foldamers: Synthesis and Applications

Message from the Guest Editor

Investigations concerning the protein folding led to development of compounds that were named "foldamers". This definition deals with oligomers that display a secondary structure, mostly evidenced by spectroscopic methods, exploiting non-covalent interactions such as hydrogen bonding and aromatic stacking. Thus, a lot of different structures were obtained, although helices were most frequently observed. Moreover, it is worth mentioning that these compounds display interesting properties in disrupting protein-protein interactions, so that they are largely studied as drug candidates, being suitable for a novel approach to innovative therapeutics.

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