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Impact of Molecular Symmetry and Asymmetry on the Collective Behavior of Liquid Crystals

Message from the Guest Editor

Molecular symmetry and asymmetry play a fundamental role in shaping the collective behavior of liquid crystals. These properties influence molecular alignment, selforganization, and the formation of distinct mesophases. Understanding how molecular structure drives macroscopic behavior is essential for modifying liquid crystalline properties in advanced applications. This topic explores the intricate relationship between molecular design and mesophase behavior, offering insights into the dynamic self-assembly and functional versatility of liquid crystals under different conditions.

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