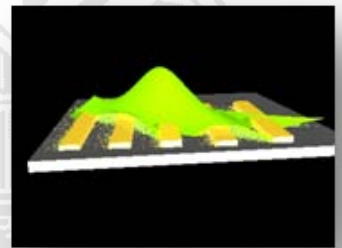
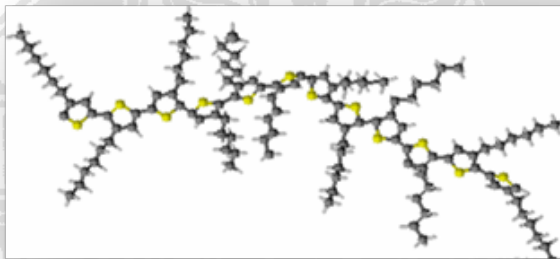


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Conjugated polymers are a unique class of molecular semiconductor with material properties which make them promising for a wide range of applications. The optical and electrical properties of the polymer can be tuned by tailoring the molecular structure, allowing for a bottom-up approach to the design of electronics. The electrical properties of conjugated polymers can be comparable to non-crystalline inorganic semiconductors, however, the complex structural properties of conjugated polymers more closely resemble biomacromolecules. Properties at the molecular scale and device scale are fundamentally entangled and therefore molecular conformation and interactions play an important role in the functionality of these material systems. In this talk the relationship between molecular structure and device performance is illustrated for polymer-based solar cells and transistors. It is additionally shown that the structural complexity of conjugated polymers can be used to produce novel devices for molecular recognition applications in bioelectronics.