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Molecular Basket, Capsule, Cage and Clam from Enantiomerically Pure Benzocyclotrimers

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Enantiopure functionalized syn-benzocyclotrimers have been used for the preparation of different molecular-containers, which are capable of hosting various guests via different mechanisms of inclusion. Indeed, syn-benzocyclotrimers derivatives provided nanobasket,¹ nanocapsule,² nanocages,³ and finally nanoclamp able to include small guests (Figure 1).

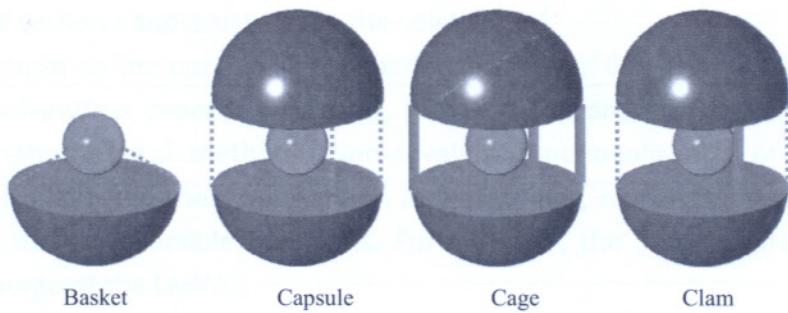


Figure 1

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