

# ADSORPTION OF FLUOROUS COPPER(II)-CARBOXYLATE COMPLEXES ONTO TEFLON OR GLASS: STRAIGHTFORWARD PREPARATION OF SUPERHYDROPHILIC AND COORDINATING SURFACES

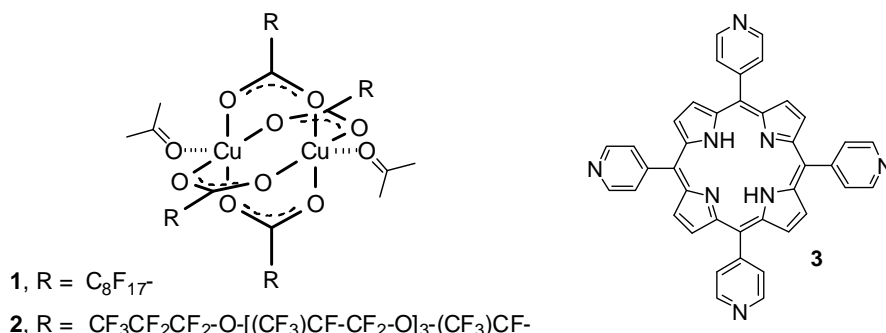
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Methodologies based on coordination chemistry are emerging as powerful tools for the preparation of mono- and multilayers assemblies providing in some cases, a high control of molecular ordering in the resulting films.<sup>1</sup> Of particular interest is the preparation of porphyrin films because of their great potential for application in devices for molecular information storage, photovoltaics or sensing.<sup>2</sup>

We recently discovered that the fluororous dicopper(II) complex **1**, in which the perfluorinated chain is directly appended to the carboxylate group, exhibits an extremely high affinity for water in the solid state.<sup>3</sup> The adsorption of **1** or **2** onto materials such as glass<sup>4</sup> or Teflon<sup>5</sup> strongly affects their surface properties as it leads to surfaces exhibiting both hydrophilic and coordinating properties. For instance, complexes **1** or **2** are readily chemisorbed on SiO<sub>2</sub> surfaces providing super-hydrophilic binding copper(II) monolayers which can be further functionalized by non-fluorophilic pyridyl-tagged compounds like the *meso*-tetra(4-pyridyl)porphyrin **3**.<sup>4</sup>

In the presentation, the preparation of the modified surfaces, their characterization (AFM, SEM, fluorescence microscopy, contact angles...), wettability and binding properties will be described.



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