

Properties of polymer liquid crystals: choosing molecular structures and blending

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Class ω , conic molecules

Classes α - ψ could be planar, or nearly two-dimensional. Networks are typically three-dimensional, but a planar class σ molecule is possible, at least in principle. By contrast, molecules in Class ω must be three-dimensional. Their existence was predicted by Lin⁸⁴ in 1982 but confirmed experimentally several years later^{85,86}. Names pyramidic or bowlic were proposed, but I eventually decided to adopt the name conic. Lin predicts⁸⁷ that these materials should have interesting electric properties.

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