



# Resonant Nonlinear Absorption in J-aggregates of meso-tetrakis(sulfonatophenyl) porphyrin

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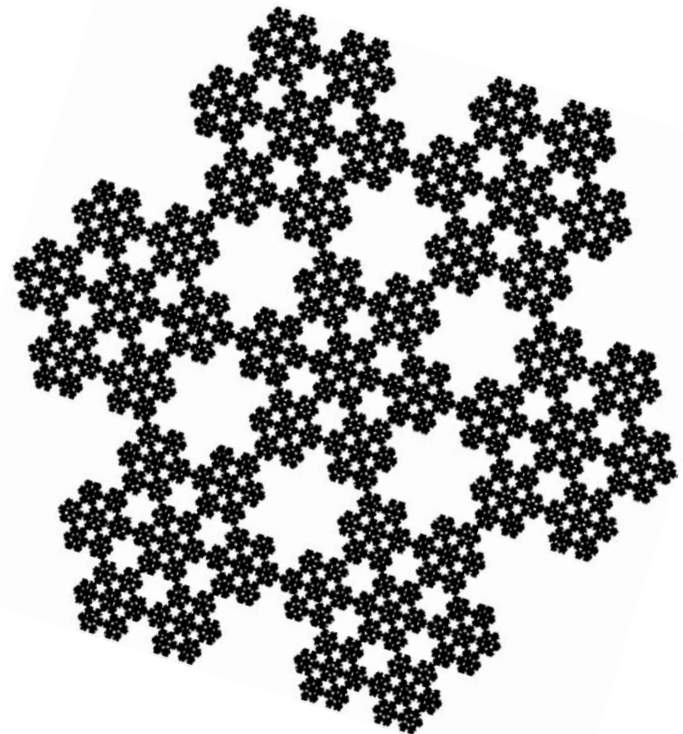
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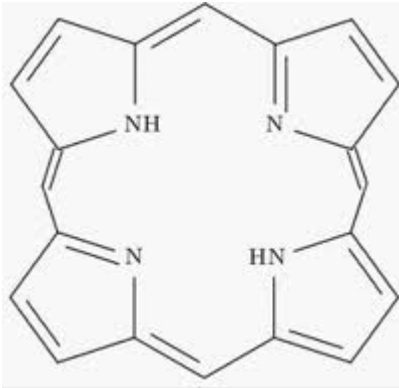
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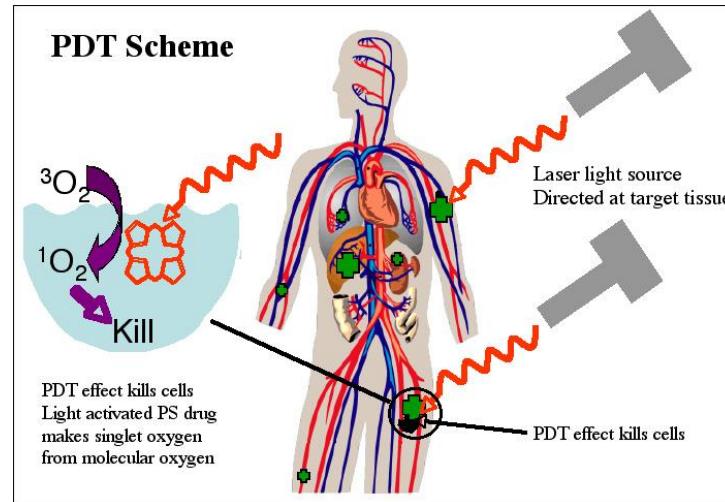


# Motivation

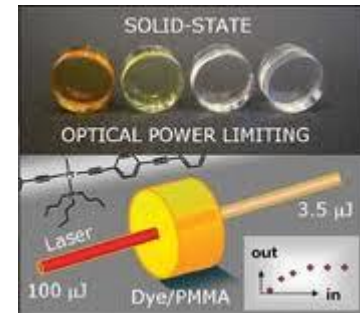
## Porphyrins



## Photodynamics therapy



## Optical Limiter



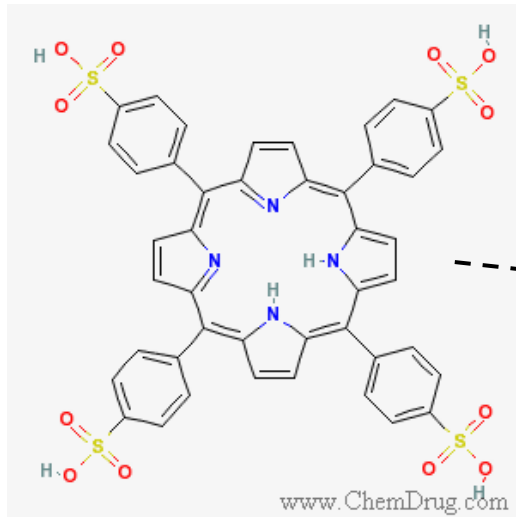
Study and understand the population dynamics in aggregated samples

How ?

- ✗ Excited state absorption
- ✗ Life time of the states

# Sample

## ✓ meso-tetrakis(sulfonatophenyl) porphyrin



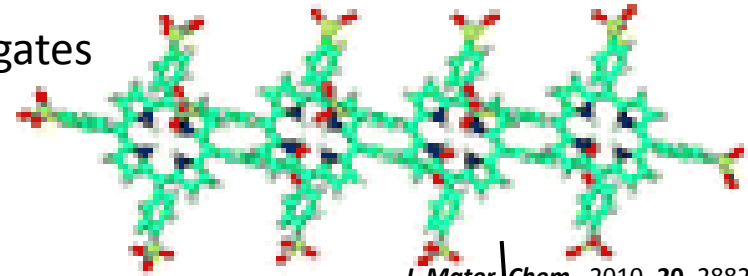
J-Aggregated x Monomers

- ✓ Changes in the linear absorption
- ✓ Increases in the vibrational modes;
- ✓ Decreases in the fluorescence QY

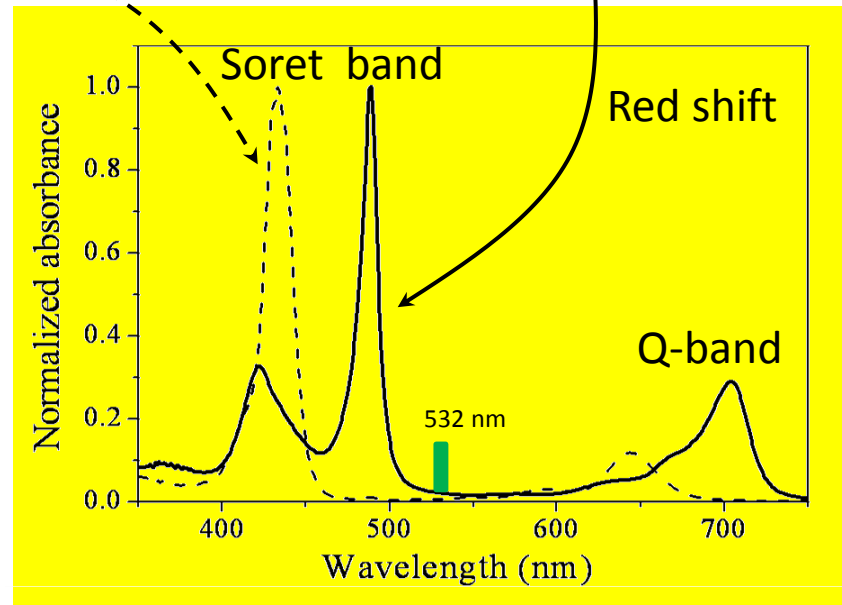
¿ Nonlinear absorption ?

side-by-side H-bond

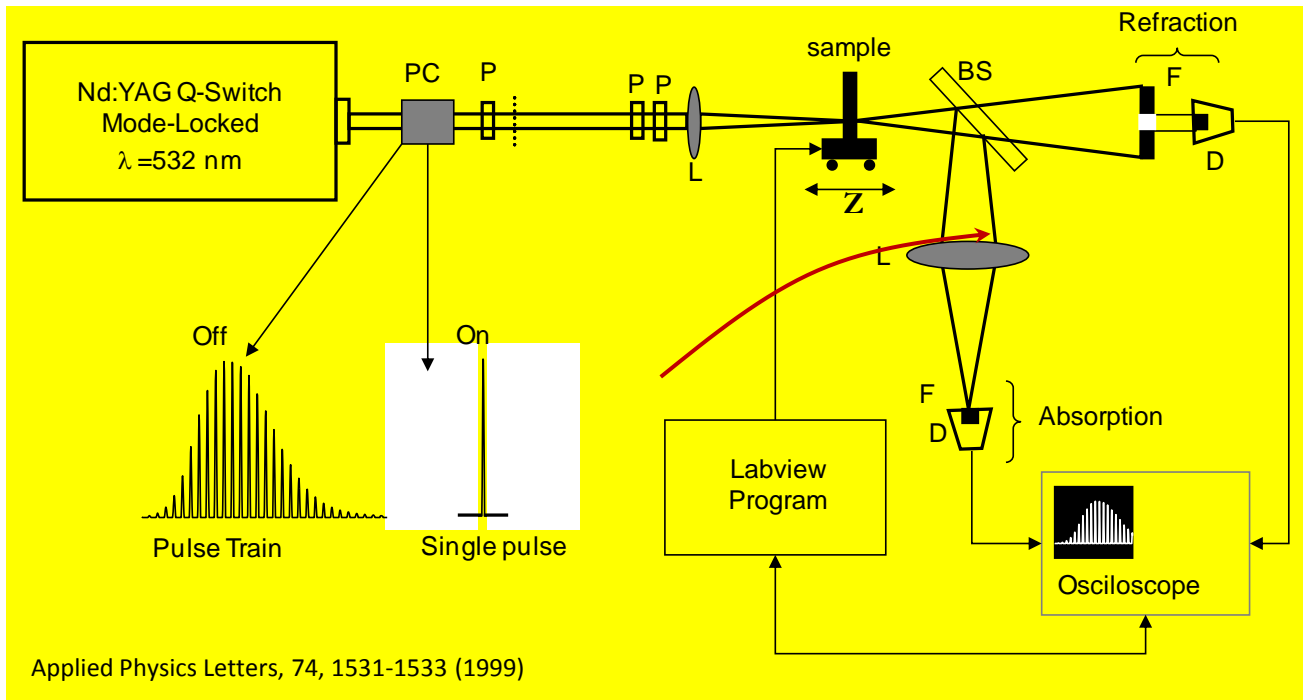
J- Aggregates



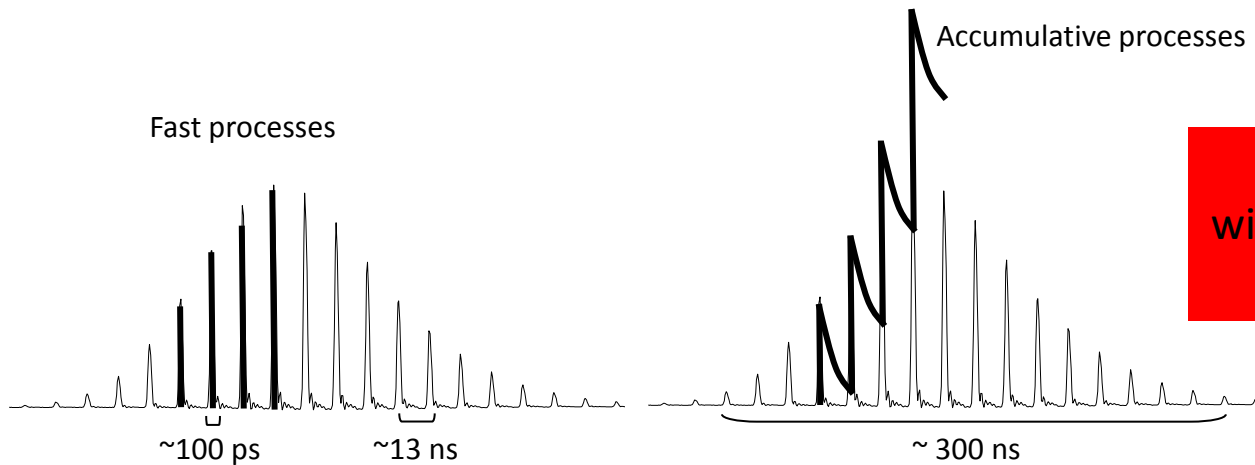
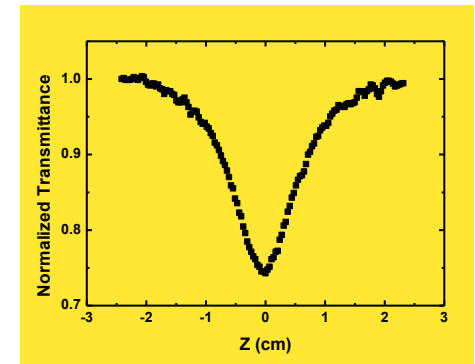
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# The Pulse Train Z-scan Technique

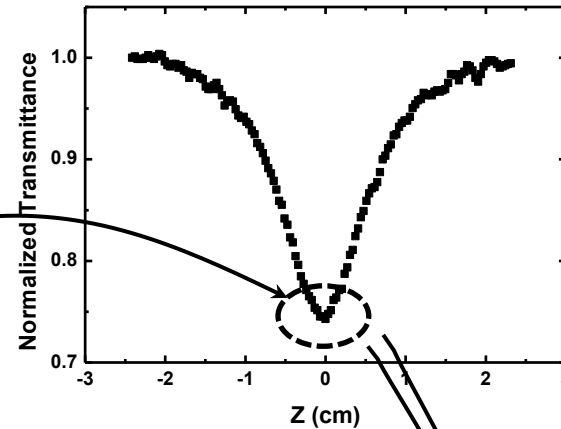
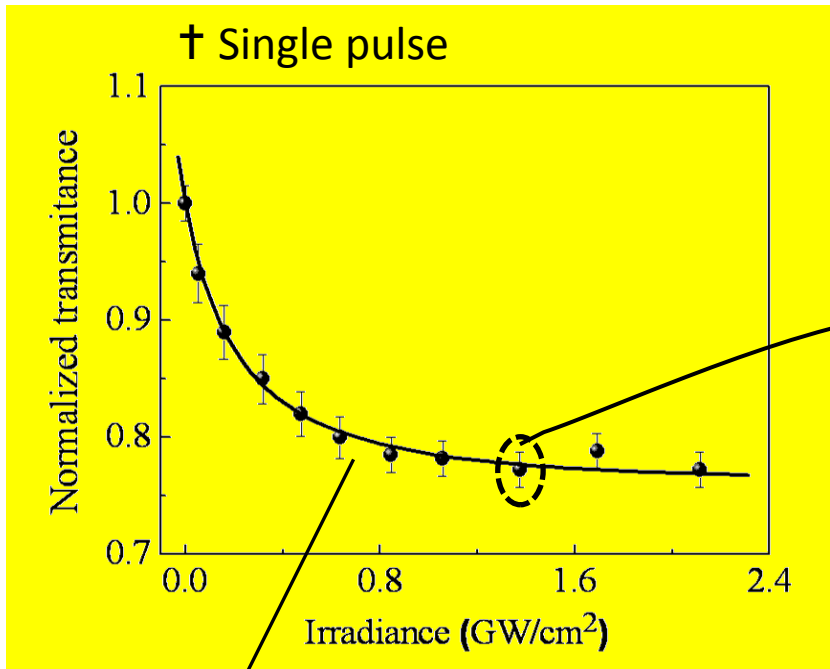


Typical Z-scan curve



Measurements with single and pulse train Z-scan

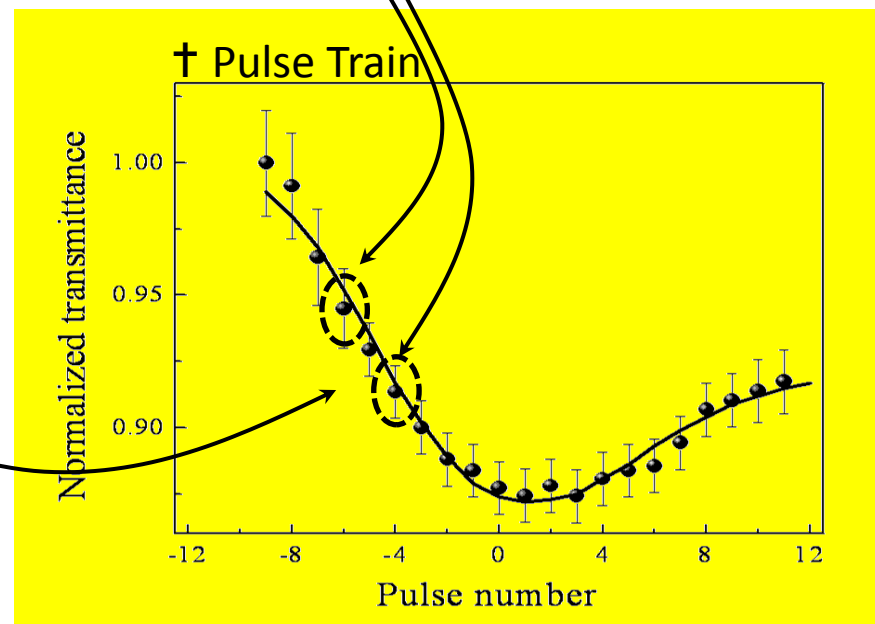
# Experimental Results



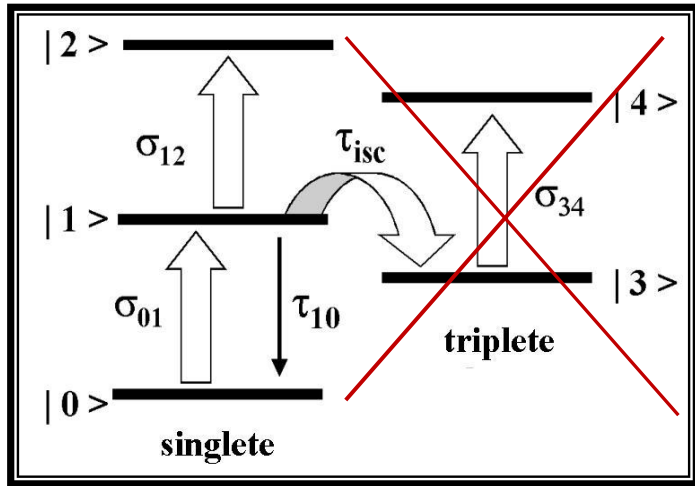
☑ Able to characterize singlet excited state absorption

☑ Able to characterize triplet excited state absorption

Results are fitted by rate equation



# Results and Discussions

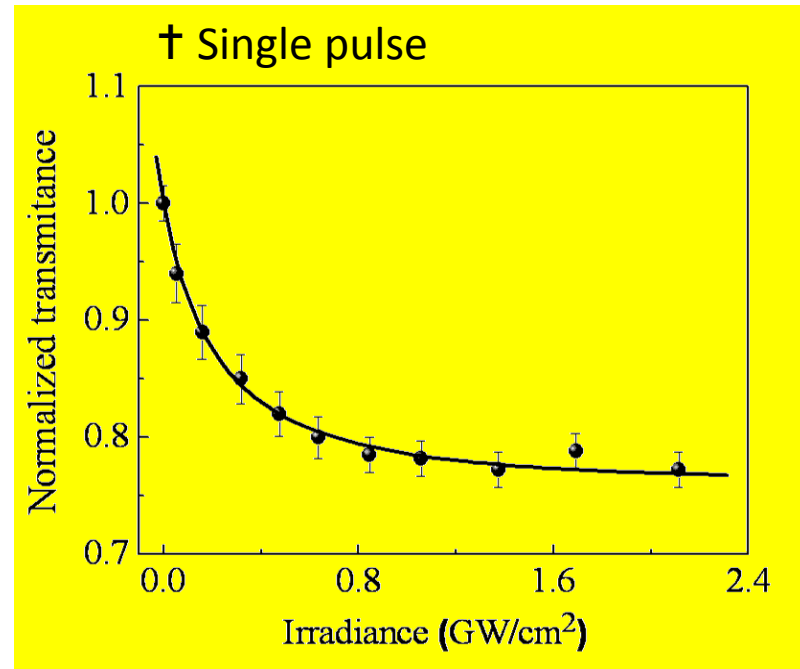


☑ Triplet states are not considered

$$\frac{dn_0}{dt} = -W_{01}n_0 + \frac{n_1}{\tau_{10}}$$

$$\frac{dn_1}{dt} = W_{01}n_0 - W_{12}n_1 - \frac{n_1}{\tau_{10}}$$

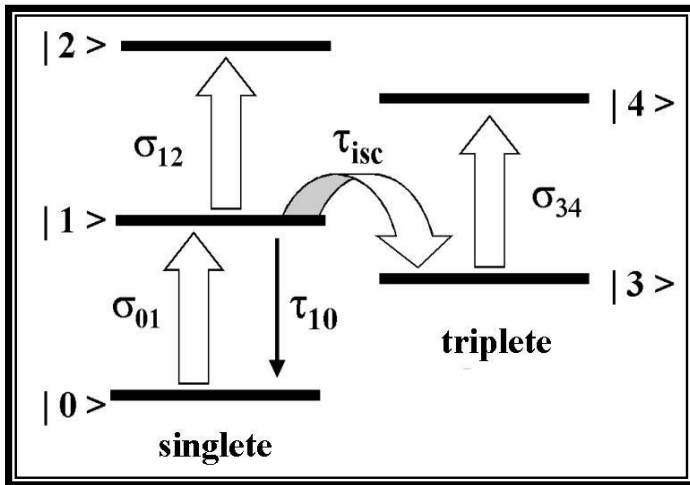
$$\frac{dn_2}{dt} = W_{12}n_1 - \frac{n_2}{\tau_{21}}$$



Absorption coefficient

$$\alpha(t) = n_0\sigma_{01} + n_1\sigma_{12}$$

# Results and Discussions



☑ Triplet states are considered

$$\frac{dn_0}{dt} = -W_{01}n_0 + \frac{n_1}{\tau_{10}}$$

$$\frac{dn_1}{dt} = W_{01}n_0 - W_{12}n_1 - \frac{n_1}{\tau_{10}} + \frac{n_2}{\tau_{21}} - \frac{n_1}{\tau_{isc}}$$

$$\frac{dn_2}{dt} = W_{12}n_1 - \frac{n_2}{\tau_{21}}$$

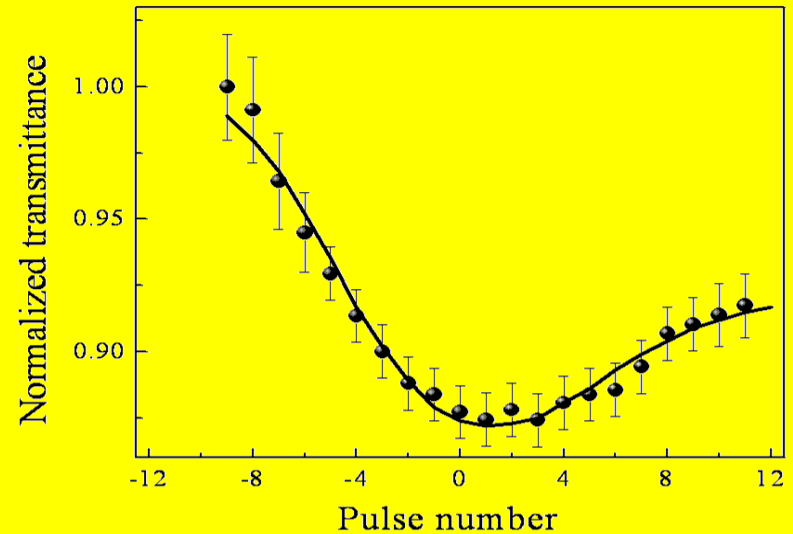
$$\frac{dn_3}{dt} = -W_{34}n_3 + \frac{n_4}{\tau_{43}} + \frac{n_1}{\tau_{isc}}$$

$$\frac{dn_4}{dt} = W_{34}n_3 - \frac{n_4}{\tau_{43}}$$

Absorption coefficient

$$\alpha(t) = n_0\sigma_{01} + n_1\sigma_{12} + n_3\sigma_{34}$$

† Pulse Train





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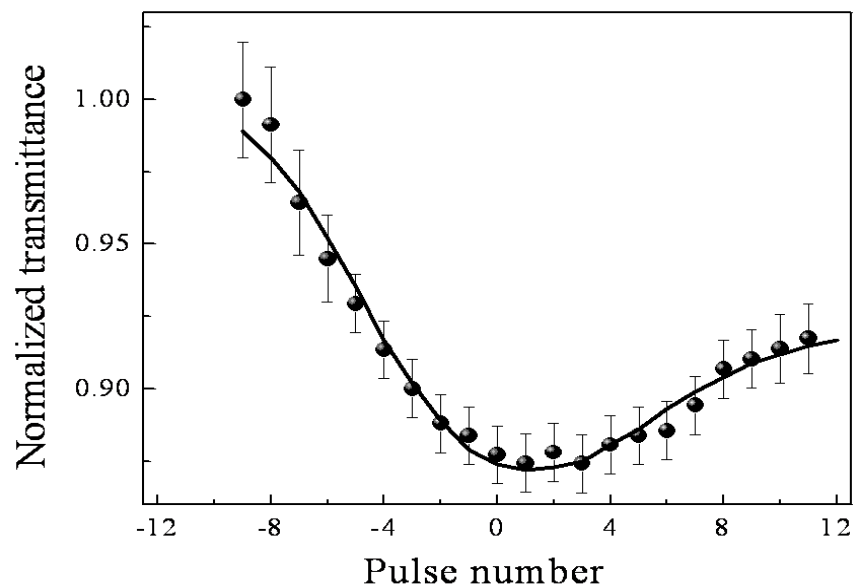
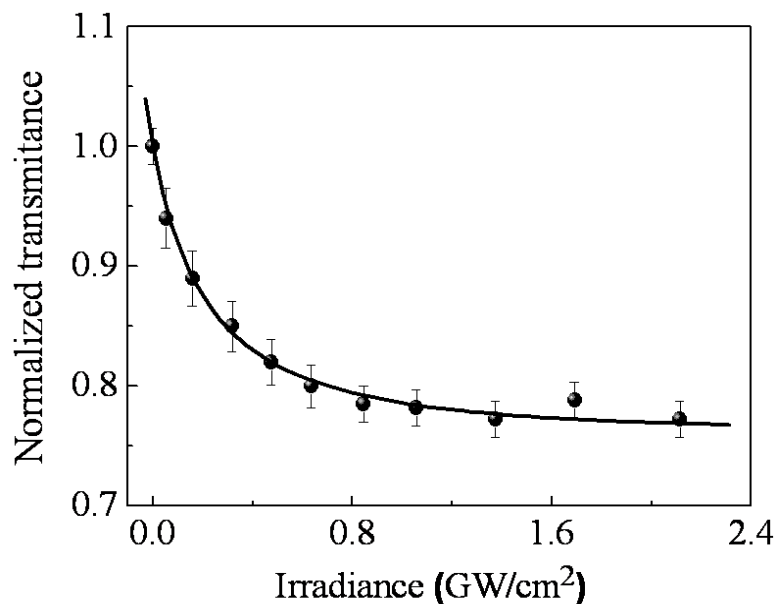


TABLE. Photophysical parameters obtained for J-aggregate and monomer of TPPS<sub>4</sub>.

Sample	$\sigma_{01}$ $10^{-17} \text{ cm}^2$	$\sigma_{12}$ $10^{-17} \text{ cm}^2$	$\sigma_{34}$ $10^{-17} \text{ cm}^2$	$\frac{\sigma_{12}}{\sigma_{01}}$	$\frac{\sigma_{34}}{\sigma_{01}}$	$\tau_{s_1}$ ns	$\tau_{isc}$ ns	$\varphi_{isc}$	$\varphi_{fl}$	$\varphi_{ic}$
Monomer <sup>a</sup>	0.8	7.4	7.6	9.25	9.25	3.6	10	0.36	0.16	0.48
J-aggregate	2.0	6.5	3.5	3.25	1.75	0.105 <sup>b</sup>	1.4	0.08	0.001 <sup>b</sup>	0.92

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# Conclusion

- aggregates formation x monomer



In summary

- reduction in  $\tau_{S1}$ ,  $\tau_{isc}$ ;
- increases in  $\sigma_{01}$  at 532 nm, however, there is a decrease in  $\sigma_{12}$  and  $\sigma_{34}$ ;
- decreases in  $\sigma_{12}/\sigma_{01} \sim 3$  folds and  $\sigma_{34}/\sigma_{01} \sim 9$  folds;
- strong decreases in  $\phi_{isc}$ , from 0.36 to 0.08
- it's still having RSA effect

- Aggregates decreases the intersystem crossing yield: **not important for PDT**;
- An increase in the vibronic relaxation reduces the lifetimes of the states and reflect in an increase of the internal conversion pathway;
- Could be used as a fast optical limiter;

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Thank you

