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## Dynamic Wetting of Self-Assembled Monolayers functionalized with Photoresponsive Arylazopyrazoles

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Light is a particularly attractive external stimulus to modify surface properties since it can be applied with very high local and temporal resolution. Molecular photoswitches such as azobenzenes,<sup>1</sup> diarylethenes<sup>2</sup> and spiropyranes<sup>3</sup> have been explored in a range of photoresponsive coatings which utilize their photoisomerization to induce changes in macroscopic properties such as wettability.<sup>4</sup> This results in a substantial and reversible change of wettability.<sup>5</sup>

Current approaches using immobilized photoswitches still suffer from certain drawbacks<sup>1</sup>, while in contrast arylazopyrazoles (AAPs) offer significant improvements of photophysical properties. Such as a much more favorable photostationary state (>98 % in both directions), very slow thermal relaxation of the cis-isomer towards the thermodynamically favored trans-isomer and very good fatigue resistance.<sup>6</sup> In the talk we present the synthesis of multiple AAP-silane derivatives and the successful functionalization of glass and silicon surfaces using self-assembled monolayers.

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