

SEMINAR

UNDERSTANDING THE ELECTRONIC
AND MAGNETIC PROPERTIES OF
METALORGANIC ADSORBATES WITH
SCANNING TUNNELLING SPECTROSCOPY**AITOR MUGARZA**

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Metalorganic complexes have attracted wide interest in surface magnetism. The embedding organic ligands provide versatile ways to control the magnetic properties of metal ions by tuning the intra and intermolecular interaction. However, the adsorption of such complexes on metallic substrates introduces a new type of interaction, the substrate-molecule coupling, which competes with the intermolecular forces determining in many cases the final adsorption configuration and physical properties of the molecule. By using scanning tunnelling microscopy at cryogenic temperatures we examine the local electronic structure of the molecules and manipulate them at the atomic scale to study the evolution of the electronic properties of metal-phthalocyanine molecules adsorbed on noble metal surfaces going from individual molecules to a few monolayers, as intermolecular interactions gradually gain importance over the molecule-substrate coupling. In the regime where substrate interaction dominates, interesting phenomena such as orbital specific electronic chirality, and Kondo effect on a $\uparrow\downarrow$ orbital spin are observed. Complementary X-ray circular dichroism experiments have been performed to correlate the electronic structure to the magnetic properties of the molecular layers.

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