

Contents

List of Contributors XI

1	Introduction: Organic Photochromic Molecules	1
	<i>Keitaro Nakatani, Jonathan Piard, Pei Yu, and Rémi Métivier</i>	
1.1	Photochromic Systems	1
1.1.1	General Introduction	1
1.1.2	Basic Principles	4
1.1.3	Photochromic Molecules: Some History	5
1.2	Organic Photochromic Molecules: Main Families	8
1.2.1	Proton Transfer	9
1.2.2	Trans–Cis Photoisomerization	12
1.2.3	Homolytic Cleavage	13
1.2.4	Cyclization Reaction	14
1.2.4.1	Spiropyrans, Spirooxazines, and Chromenes	14
1.2.4.2	Fulgides and Fulgimides	17
1.2.4.3	Diarylethenes	18
1.3	Molecular Design to Improve the Performance	20
1.3.1	Figures of Merit	20
1.3.2	Fatigue Resistance: Increasing the Number of Operating Cycles	21
1.3.3	Bistability: Avoiding Unwanted Thermal Back-Reaction in the Dark	23
1.3.3.1	Influence of Ethenic Bridge on the Thermal Stability of the B Form	24
1.3.3.2	Impact of the Heteroaryl Substituents on the Thermal Stability of the B Form	24
1.3.4	Fast Photochromic Systems: Reverting Back Spontaneously to the Colorless State in a Glance	25
1.3.5	Gaining Efficiency of the Photoreaction: the Example of Diarylethenes	26
1.4	Conclusion	31
	Irradiation at a Specific Wavelength: Isosbestic Point	32

	Case A: When the Thermal Back-Reaction is Negligible Compared to the Photochemical Reaction (Typically P-type)	33
	Case B: When the Thermal Back-Reaction is More Efficient than the Photochemical $B \rightarrow A$ Reaction (Typically T type)	34
	References	34
2	Photochromic Transitional Metal Complexes for Photosensitization	47
	<i>Chi-Chiu Ko and Vivian Wing-Wah Yam</i>	
2.1	Introduction	47
2.2	Photosensitization of Stilbene- and Azo-Containing Ligands	48
2.3	Photosensitization of Spirooxazine-Containing Ligands	51
2.4	Photosensitization of Diarylethene-Containing Ligands	54
2.5	Photosensitization of Photochromic N ⁺ C-Chelate Organoboranes	63
2.6	Conclusion	65
	References	66
3	Multi-addressable Photochromic Materials	71
	<i>Shangjun Chen, Wenlong Li, and Weihong Zhu</i>	
3.1	Molecular Logic Gates	71
3.1.1	Two-Input Logic Gates	71
3.1.2	Combinatorial Logic Systems	74
3.1.2.1	Half-Adder and Half-Subtractor	74
3.1.2.2	Keypad Locks	77
3.1.2.3	Digital Encoder and Decoder	82
3.2	Data Storage and Molecular Memory	84
3.2.1	Fluorescence Spectroscopy	85
3.2.2	Infrared Spectroscopy	90
3.2.3	Optical Rotation	92
3.3	Gated Photochromores	95
3.3.1	Hydrogen Bonding	95
3.3.2	Coordination	98
3.3.3	Chemical Reaction	99
	References	105
4	Photoswitchable Supramolecular Systems	109
	<i>Guanglei Lv, Liang Chen, Haichuang Lan, and Tao Yi</i>	
4.1	Introduction	109
4.2	Photoreversible Amphiphilic Systems	110
4.2.1	Photoreversible Diarylethene-Based Amphiphilic System	110
4.2.2	Photoreversible Azobenzene-Based Amphiphilic System	116
4.2.3	Photoreversible Spiropyran-Based Amphiphilic System	119
4.3	Photoswitchable Host–Guest Systems	122
4.3.1	Photocontrolled Supramolecular Self-Assembly	123

4.3.2	Photocontrolled Capture and Release of Guest Molecules	128
4.3.3	Fluorescent Switching Promoted by Host–Guest Interaction	133
4.3.4	Photoswitchable Molecular Devices	137
4.4	Photochromic Metal Complexes and Sensors	141
4.4.1	Metal Complexes with Azobenzene Groups	141
4.4.2	Metal Complexes with Diarylethene Groups	144
4.4.3	Metal Complexes with Spirocyclic Groups	150
4.4.4	Metal Complexes with Rhodamine	152
4.5	Other Light-Modulated Supramolecular Interactions	153
4.6	Conclusions and Outlook	159
	References	159
5	Light-Gated Chemical Reactions and Catalytic Processes	167
	<i>Robert Göstl, Antti Senf, and Stefan Hecht</i>	
5.1	Introduction	167
5.2	General Design Considerations	169
5.3	Photoswitchable Stoichiometric Processes	171
5.3.1	Starting Material Control	172
5.3.2	Product Control	175
5.3.3	Starting Material and Product Control	177
5.3.4	Template Control	178
5.4	Photoswitchable Catalytic Processes	182
5.4.1	Activity Control	182
5.4.2	Selectivity Control	185
5.5	Outlook	187
	References	190
6	Surface and Interfacial Photoswitches	195
	<i>Junji Zhang and He Tian</i>	
6.1	Photochromic SAMs	196
6.1.1	Photochromic Electrode SAMs	196
6.1.2	Photoreversible Functional Surfaces	198
6.1.2.1	Photoswitchable Surface Wettability	198
6.1.2.2	Photocontrolled Capture-and-Release System	202
6.1.2.3	Smart Photochromic Surface Based on Supramolecular Systems	203
6.1.2.4	Photochromic Surface for Molecular Data Processing	205
6.2	Photoregulated Nanoparticles	206
6.2.1	Photochromic Switches on Traditional Metal Nanoparticles	208
6.2.1.1	Photoswitching on the Metal Nanoparticles	208
6.2.1.2	Photoinduced Reversible Aggregation of Nanoparticles and Their Versatile Applications	210
6.2.2	Photochromic Switches on Other Novel Functional Nanoparticles	215
6.2.2.1	Photoswitchable Magnetic Nanoparticles	215

6.2.2.2	Photomanipulated Quantum Dots	215
6.2.2.3	Photochromic with Upconversion Nanoparticles	218
6.2.3	Photocontrolled Mesoporous Silica Nanoparticles	220
6.2.3.1	Photo-nanovalves	220
6.2.3.2	Photo-nanoimpellers	223
6.2.3.3	NIR Light-Triggered MSN Drug Delivery and Therapeutic Systems	224
6.3	Photocontrolled Surface Conductance	226
6.3.1	Photochromic Conductance Switching Based on SAMs	226
6.3.2	Photochromic Conductance on Single-Molecule Level	228
	References	231
7	Hybrid Organic/Photochromic Approaches to Generate Multifunctional Materials, Interfaces, and Devices	243
	<i>Emanuele Orgiu and Paolo Samorì</i>	
7.1	Introduction	243
7.1.1	Tuning the Charge Injection in Organic-Based Devices by Means of Photochromic Molecules	245
7.2	Tuning the Polaronic Transport in Organic Semiconductors by Means of Photochromic Molecules	251
7.2.1	Photochromic Molecules and Organic Semiconductors Incorporated in Dyads, Multiads, and Polymers	251
7.2.2	The Multilayer Approach	254
7.2.3	The Blending Approach	255
7.3	Photoresponsive Dielectric Interfaces and Bulk	262
7.4	Conclusions and Future Outlooks	267
	Acknowledgments	268
	References	268
8	Photochromic Bulk Materials	281
	<i>Masakazu Morimoto, Seiya Kobatake, Masahiro Irie, Hari Krishna Bisoyi, Quan Li, Sheng Wang, and He Tian</i>	
8.1	Photochromic Polymers	281
8.1.1	Glass Transition Temperature	281
8.1.2	Fluorescence	283
8.1.3	Conductivity	287
8.1.4	Living Radical Polymerization	288
8.1.5	Surface Relief Grating	290
8.1.6	Photomechanical Effect	290
8.2	Single-Crystalline Photoswitches	293
8.2.1	Crystalline-State Photochromic Materials	293
8.2.2	Photochromic Diarylethene Single Crystals	293
8.2.3	<i>In situ</i> X-ray Crystallographic Analysis of Photoisomerization Reaction	295
8.2.4	Photoisomerization Quantum Yields	296

8.2.5	Multicolor Photochromism of Multicomponent Crystals	297
8.2.6	Nanoperiodic Structures Fabricated by Photochromic Reactions	299
8.2.7	Photoinduced Shape Changes and Mechanical Performance	301
8.3	Photochromic Liquid Crystals	305
8.3.1	Introduction	305
8.3.2	Spiropyran- and Spirooxazine-Based Photochromic Liquid Crystals	309
8.3.3	Diarylethene-Based Photochromic Liquid Crystals	314
8.3.4	Azobenzene-Based Photochromic Liquid Crystals	320
8.3.5	Other Photochromic Liquid Crystals	327
8.3.6	Conclusions and Outlook	328
8.4	Photochromic Gels	329
8.4.1	Introduction	329
8.4.2	Azobenzene Gels	330
8.4.3	Spiropyran and Spirooxazine Gels	335
8.4.4	Diarylethenes Gels	337
8.4.5	Naphthopyran Gels	342
8.4.6	The Other Photochromic Gels	343
8.4.7	Conclusion	346
	References	346
9	Photochromic Materials in Biochemistry	361
	<i>Danielle Wilson and Neil R. Branda</i>	
9.1	Introduction	361
9.2	Reversible Photochemical Switching of Biomaterial Function	362
9.3	General Design Strategies and Considerations	362
9.3.1	Photoswitchable Tethers	364
9.3.1.1	The Incorporation Method	364
9.3.1.2	Considerations	364
9.3.2	Photoswitchable Small Molecules	365
9.3.2.1	The Incorporation Method	365
9.3.2.2	Considerations	365
9.3.3	Chromophore Selection	367
9.4	Selected Examples	367
9.4.1	Photoswitchable Enzymes	367
9.4.1.1	Drug-Inspired Small Molecule Inhibitors	367
9.4.1.2	Phosphoribosyl Isomerase Inhibitor with Two Binding Units	370
9.4.1.3	Direct Modification of Enzymes with Photochromic Groups	372
9.4.2	Photoswitchable Peptides and Proteins	373
9.4.2.1	Peptide Cross-Linking	373
9.4.2.2	Cyclic Antimicrobial Peptide	375
9.4.2.3	Genetically Encoded Amino Acids	376
9.4.2.4	Control of Motor Protein Function Using Site-Selective Mutation	377

9.4.3	Photoswitchable Ion Channels and Receptors	379
9.4.3.1	Photocontrol of Channel Activation and Desensitization with a Tethered Glutamate	380
9.4.3.2	Photocontrol of Insulin Release Using a Small Molecular Sulfonylurea	380
9.4.3.3	Photocontrol of Receptors Using Red Light	381
9.4.4	Photoswitchable Nucleotides	382
9.4.4.1	Spiropyran-Modified Oligonucleotide Backbones	382
9.4.4.2	Controlling RNA Duplex Hybridization with Light	384
9.4.4.3	Diarylethene-Modified Oligonucleotides	385
9.5	Summary	386
	References	386
10	Industrial Applications and Perspectives	393
	<i>Junji Zhang and He Tian</i>	
10.1	Industrialization and Commercialization of Organic Photochromic Materials	393
10.1.1	Commercialized T-type Photochromic Materials	395
10.1.2	Commercialized P-Type Photochromic Materials	398
10.2	Perspectives for Organic Photochromic Materials	399
	References	409
	Index	417