

# Innsbruck Physics Colloquium

## Simple games with molecules for advanced imaging

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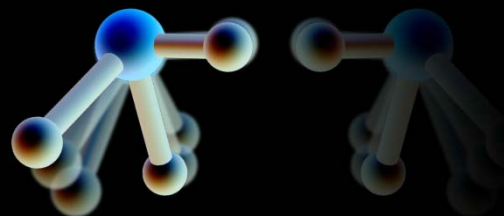
Molecules are the entities defining the world around us, the building blocks of chemistry and biology. Everybody knows what a molecule is, but it's far from trivial to define what exactly is a 'molecule'. Unraveling, and eventually controlling, molecular dynamics and chemical reactivity and dynamics are at the heart of modern molecular sciences. One approach to this is to directly follow specific chemical reactions of isolated and well-defined reactants, preferably in real time, through so-called molecular movies. Here, I will discuss the control schemes we have developed for small molecules to create pure samples of well-defined individual molecular species, to hold them in space, and to image them. Building upon this, we have devised novel concepts for the disentangling of chirality or experimental techniques toward similar levels of control for (biological) nanoparticles. Basic applications include chemical reactivity studies and atomic-resolution diffractive imaging of molecular structure.

**DK-ALM Pre-Talk: 16:30 h**

**Lorenz Ballauf**

**Molecules formed in ion-surface collisions**

Snacks will be provided in between the pre-talk  
and the colloquium.



**Colloquium: Tuesday, 27.11.2018  
17:15 h in lecture hall C**