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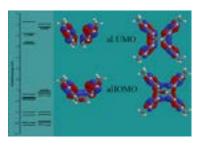
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### Pyridinium salts as photo-induced electron traps

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When two or more pyridinium salts are held face-to-face to each other they will share electrons equally between the rings. Calculations show this distribution of the trapped electron for the dimethyl 1,2-(di-4-pyridinium) ethane and the tetramethyl 1,1,2,2-(tetra-4-pyridinium) ethane as shown below. The electron trapping properties as characterized in ultrafast transient absorption spectroscopy and theoretical calculations for a variety of polypyridinium salts will be discussed.



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