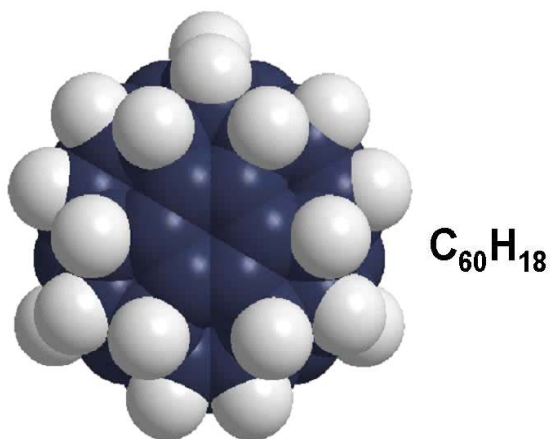


Polyamine Hydrogenation of Nanostructured Carbons: [60]Fullerene, [70]Fullerene, Giant Fullerenes and Carbon Nano-Onions (CNOs)

We have shown that organic polyamines are efficient, effective reagents for the hydrogenation of [60]fullerene, [70]fullerene, giant fullerenes and carbon nano-onions.



When [60]fullerene is heated in diethylenetriamine, a known $C_{60}H_{18}$ isomer with C_{3v} symmetry is produced and isolated in good purity without the need for chromatographic separation (see J. Briggs, et al., *Organic Letters* **2005**, 7, 5553). The reaction can be scaled upwards to kilogram levels without impacting yield or quality of product.

Other nanostructured carbons can also be hydrogenated in a similar manner and we are actively pursuing those chemistries.

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