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Doping organic semiconductors has become a key technology for highly efficient organic LEDs and solar cells¹ and is nowadays used in high-end TV sets and flexible lighting technologies. For organic transistors, the benefits of doping are increasingly acknowledged as well. For example, it has been shown that doping increases the reliability and reproducibility of organic transistors²; it allows to design and study new flexible transistor concepts^{3,4}; and it minimizes injection losses at the contacts⁵.

The organic electrochemical transistor (OECT) is one of the most promising doped organic transistor. OECTs extend the application field of conventional organic transistors toward bio-electronic applications. For example, they have been used to detect various biomolecules⁶ and pathogens⁷, for electrocardiographic recordings⁸, or for in-vivo recording of brain activity⁹.

In this presentation, I will discuss our current understanding of the influence of doping on organic transistors. The theory of doped organic transistors will be presented and used to discuss the working mechanism of organic electrochemical transistors¹⁰. Strategies to optimize the performance of OECTs will be proposed¹¹ and limits of the current model of OECTs will be discussed.

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