A Novel Calix[4]arene-Dipyrrole Conjugate Designed for Complexation of Ion Pairs

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A novel calixarene derivative with dipyrromethane moieties on the lower rim was prepared. NMR spectroscopy revealed a high selectivity towards sodium cations and the ability to bind ion pairs.

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