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The Back cover refers to the computational aspect of this work, showing how heavily different parts of a propellerene molecule contribute to its conformational preference.

Science has always been stimulated by such important social events as wars, geographical discoveries, epidemics, and so on. On the other hand, I think it is true to say that throughout the whole of history there has always been some scientific activity which has been done "for itself alone" out of pure intellectual curiosity.

Hardie, C.D. (1944)

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