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Patchy particles using colloidal caps CHRISTINE MIDDLETON, DAVID PINE, New York University — We present a method for making patchy particles functionalized with single stranded sticky end DNA only on their patches. This is done by adding "spherical cap" particles as patches to spherical colloids using the depletion interaction. The caps are then functionalized with single stranded DNA using copper-free click chemistry. Due to being attached only by depletion, the patches diffuse on the surface of the particle. The patchy particles can then interact with each other in a specific, directional way through the mobile, DNA functionalized patches.

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