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Claims

The embodiments of the invention in which an exclusive property or privilege is claimed are defined as follows:

- 1. A method for making a nonlinear optically active compound having a .pi.-donor moiety covalently coupled to a .pi.-acceptor moiety through a .pi.-electron conjugated bridge moiety, comprising irradiating with microwave irradiation a combination of a .pi.-acceptor compound and a compound having a .pi.-donor moiety covalently coupled to a .pi.-electron conjugated bridge moiety.
- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the compound having a .pi.-donor moiety covalently coupled to a .pi.-electron conjugated bridge moiety comprises an aldehyde moiety.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the .pi.-donor moiety comprises an amine group.
- 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the .pi.-electron conjugated bridge moiety comprises a thiophene group.
- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the acceptor compound comprises a moiety having the structure: ##STR00014## wherein X is O, S, or CH.sub.2; wherein A.sub.1 is an alkyl group, an aryl group, or an electron withdrawing group; wherein A.sub.2 is an electron withdrawing group; wherein A.sub.3 is an