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### SHORT ABSTRACT

The thesis “Exploring the Self-Aggregation of Short Peptides in Aqueous Environment for Various Applications” deals with the design and applications of new short aggregating peptide with the different non-covalent interactions.

**Chapter 1** is a brief introduction of peptide based aggregations with up to date literature review.

**Chapter 2** defines the combination of cation- $\pi$  and charge-transfer interactions within a donor-acceptor pair to form self-healing hydrogel.

**Chapter 3** delineates the light-induced syneresis by a water insoluble peptide-hydrogel and effective removal of small molecule waste contaminants.

**Chapter 4** deals with charge transfer complexation aided control over the reaction pathway.

**Chapter 5** illustrates protection and glutathione responsive delivery of proteins by an ultrashort peptide hydrogel.