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Chemical attraction

Let's be frank: aesthetics are not what you expect from a site devoted to the periodic table of elements - the fundamental materials from which all matter is composed. There are 109 in total, starting with the lightest, hydrogen. Yet Visual Elements (www.chemsoc.org/viselements) - a colourful, artistic interpretation of the table, with a jewel-like icon for each element - must rank as one of the most gorgeous things online. Murray Robertson's witty icons, above, seduce the eye, while the associated chemical data are presented in such a way as to bring science gleamingly to life.