

Diverse mode of functionalization of ruthenium coordinated β -ketoiminate analogues

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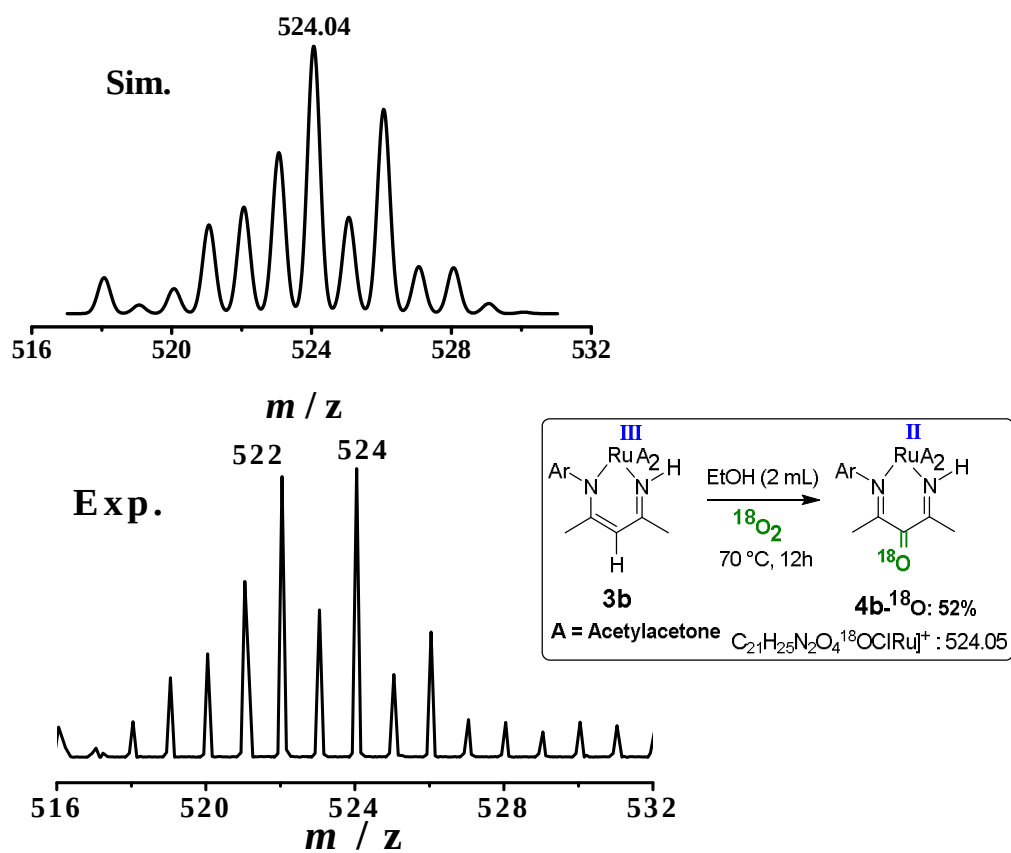


Fig. S1a ESI-MS spectrum of the reaction mixture of **4b** and ¹⁸O labelled **4b** during reaction of [**3b** (0.2 mM) + ¹⁸O₂] in EtOH. Spectrum was recorded after 12 h of ¹⁸O₂ purging. Peak at $m/z = 524$ is assigned to {**4b** (¹⁸O)}⁺. Ratio of **4b**-¹⁸O:**4b**-¹⁶O = 52:48 (Exp.).

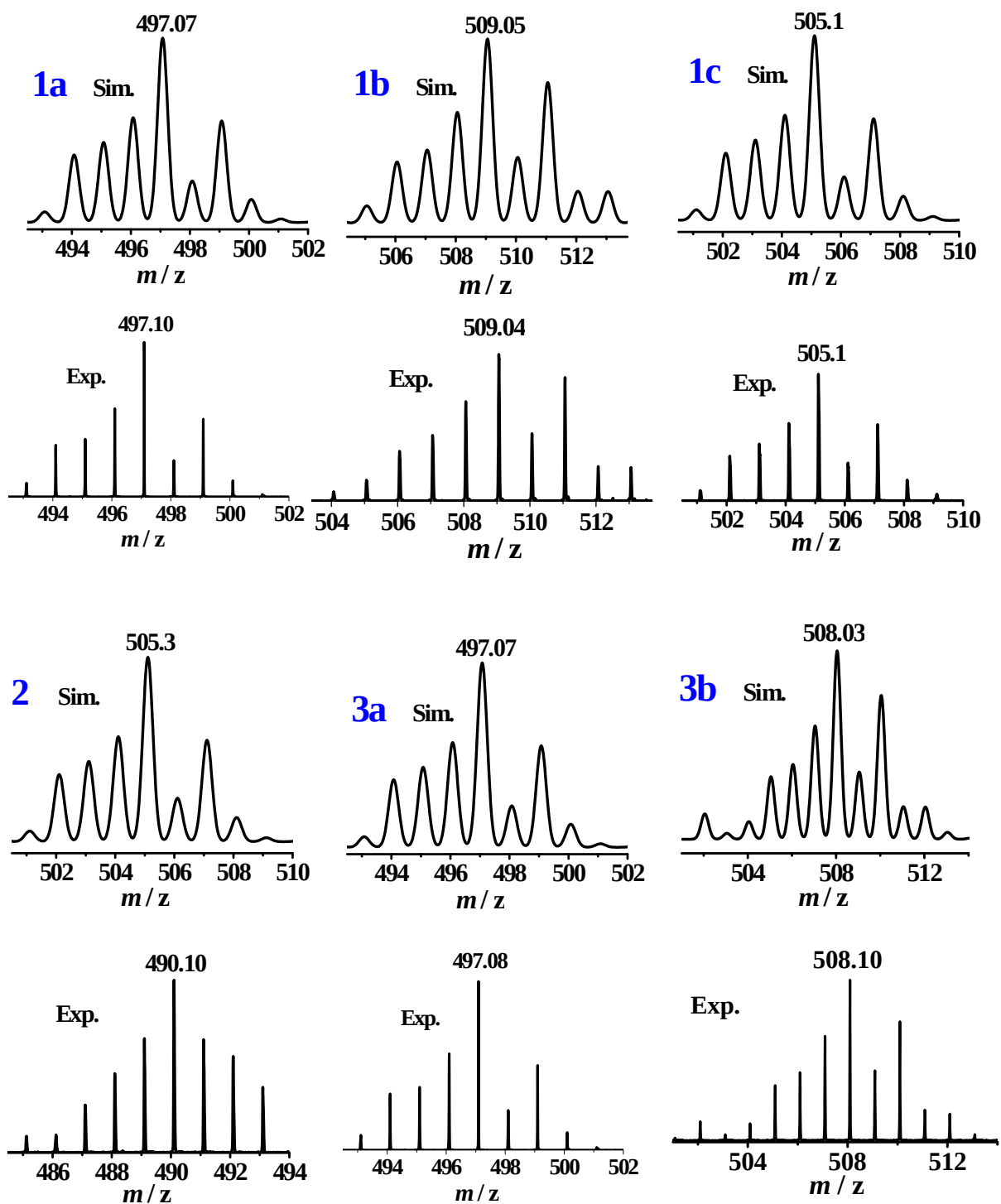


Fig. S1b Experimental and simulated ESI(+) mass spectra of $\{1a+Na\}^+$, $\{1b\}^+$, $\{1c\}^+$, $\{2\}^+$, $\{3a+Na\}^+$, $\{3b\}^+$ in CH_3CN .

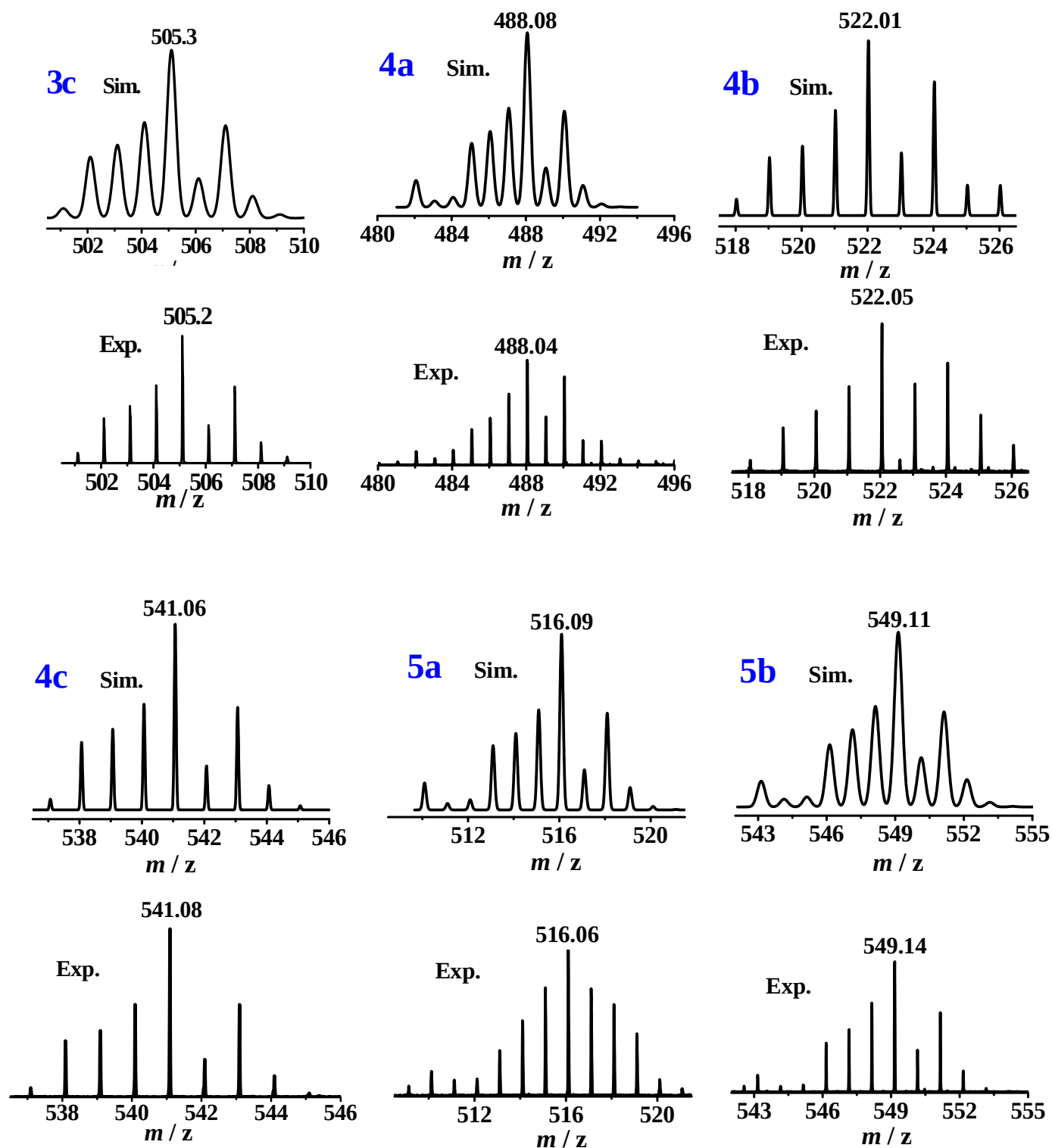


Fig. S1c Experimental and simulated ESI(+) mass spectra of $\{3c\}^+$, $\{4a\}^+$, $\{4b\}^+$, $\{4c+Na\}^+$, $\{5a+H\}^+$ and $\{5b\}^+$ in CH_3CN .

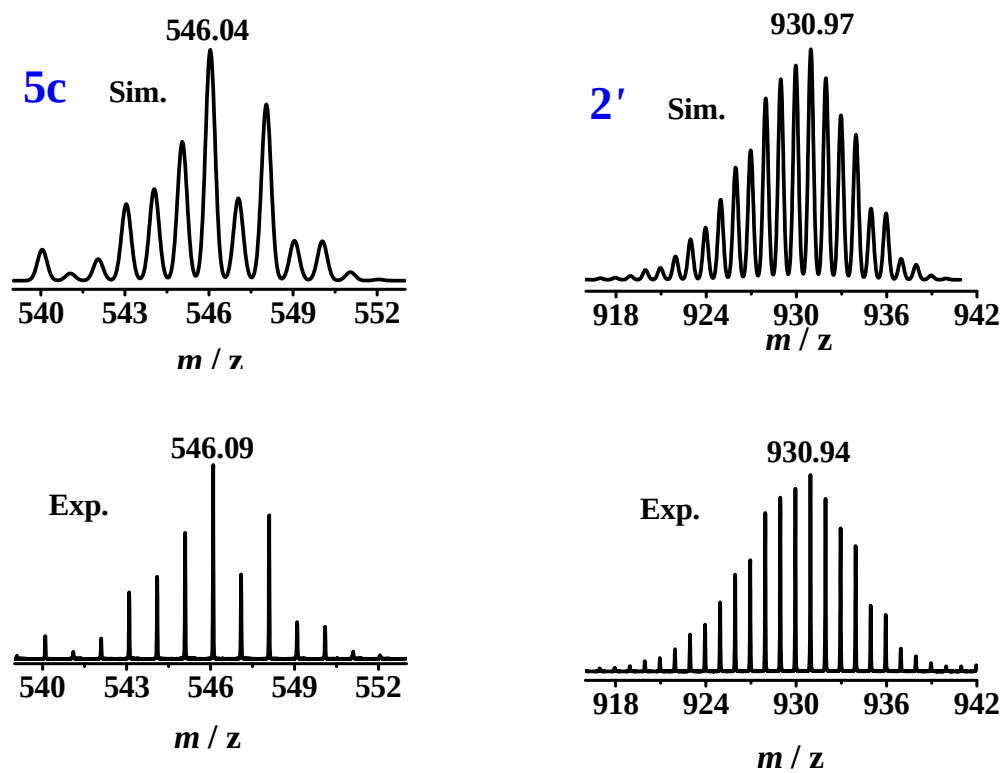


Fig. S1d Experimental and simulated ESI(+) mass spectra of $\{5c+H\}^+$ and $\{2'\}^+$ in CH_3CN .

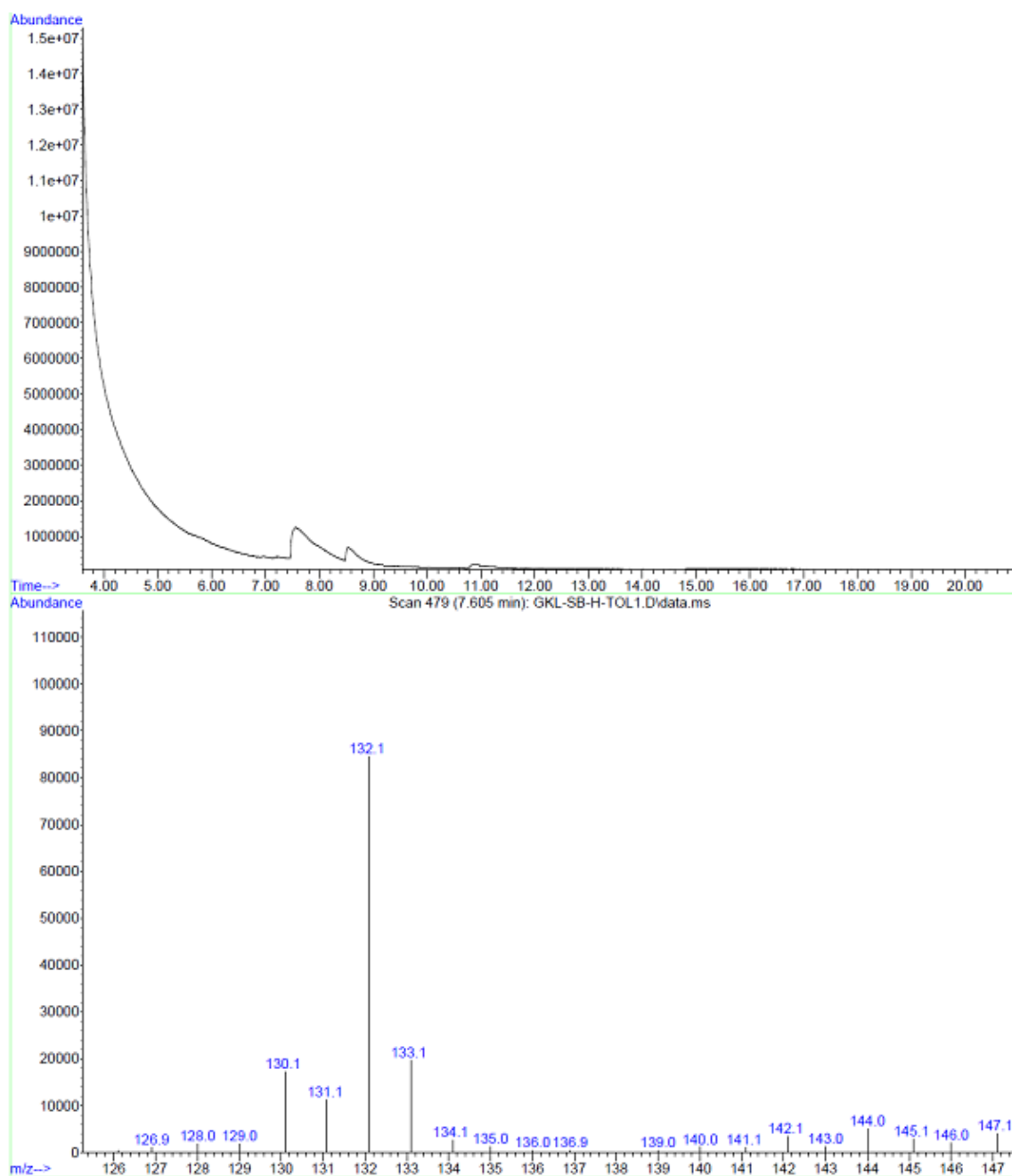


Fig. S1e GC-MS spectra of the intermediate **P** corresponding to **5a** formation in toluene.

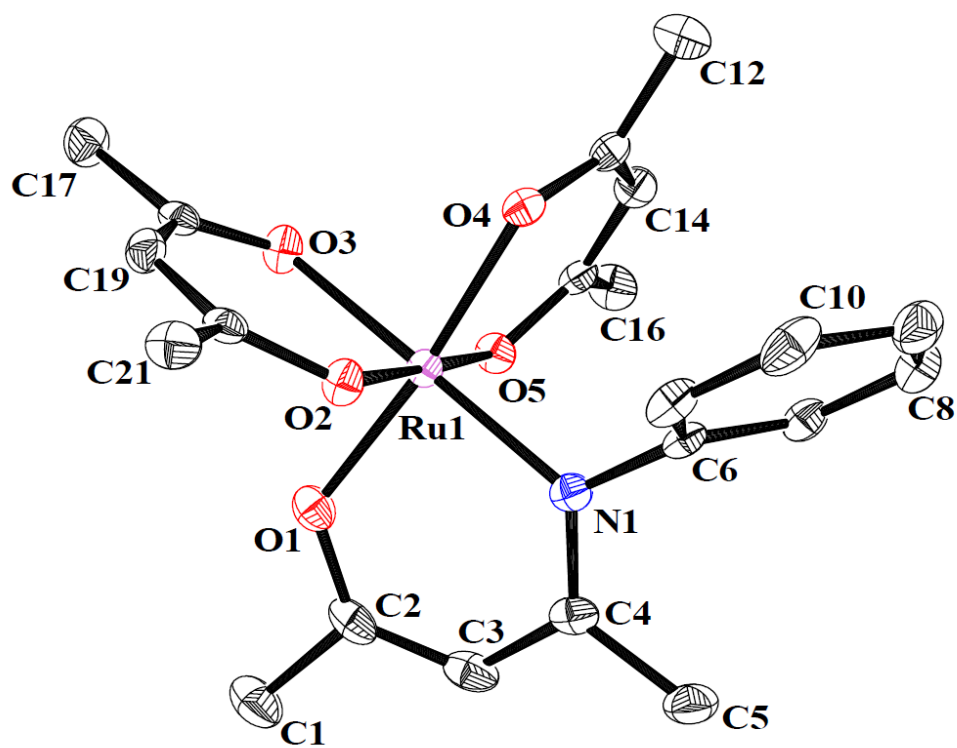


Fig. S2 Perspective view of the asymmetric unit of **1a**. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

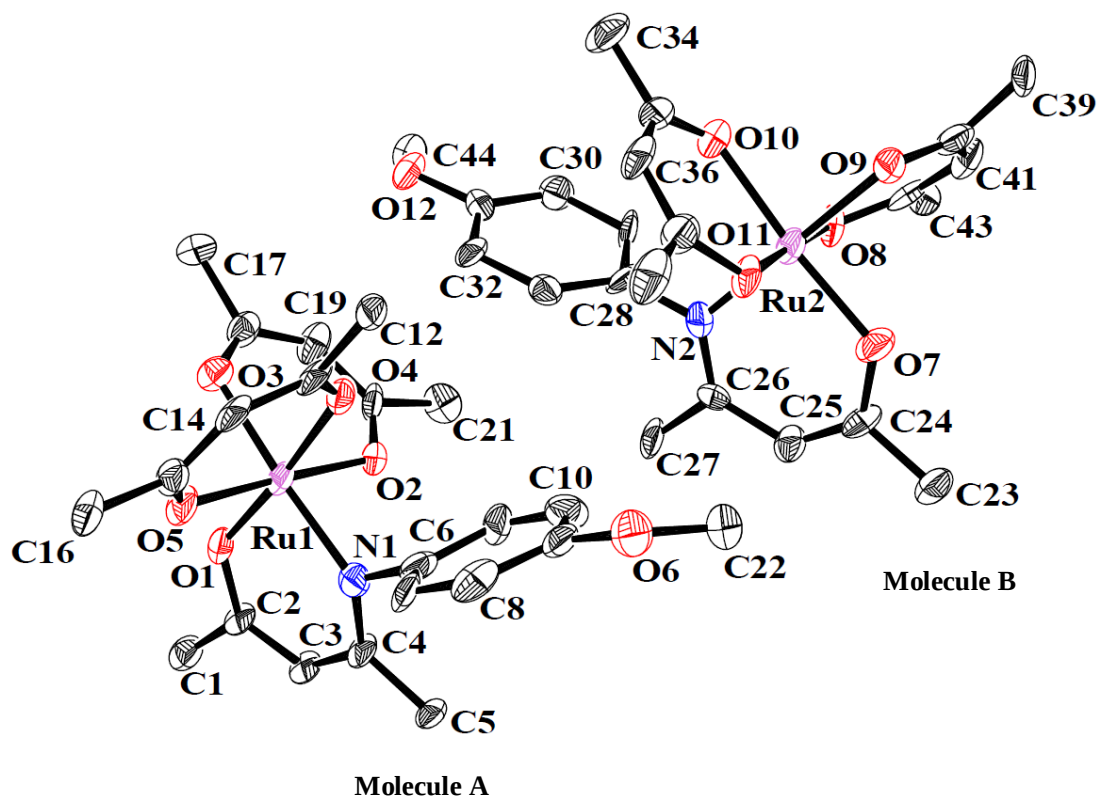


Fig. S3 Perspective view of the asymmetric unit of **1c**, consist of two independent molecules. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

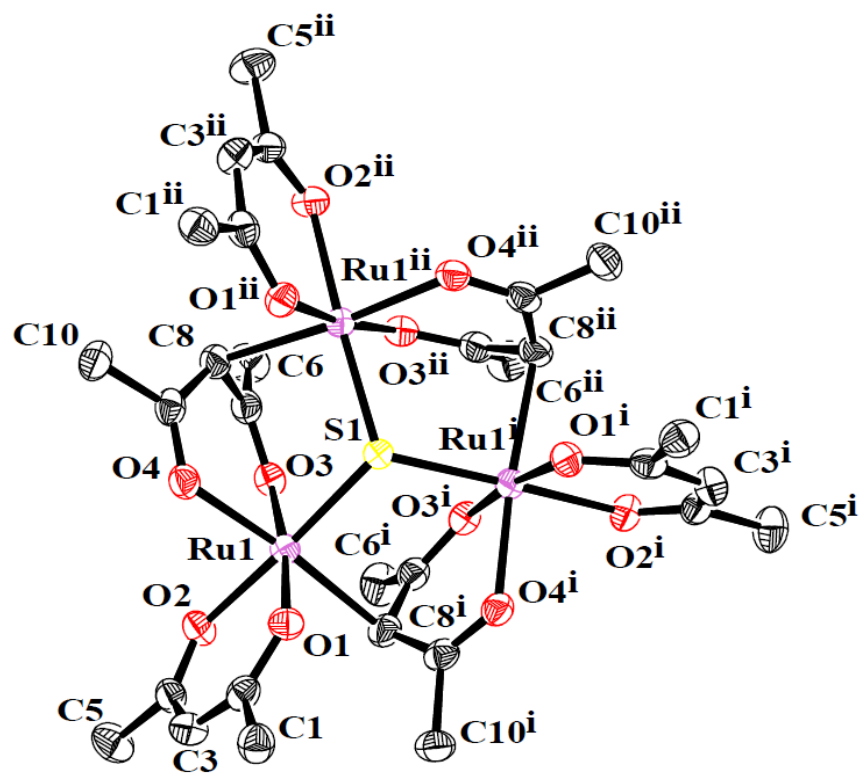


Fig. S4 Perspective view of the asymmetric unit of 2'. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50%probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

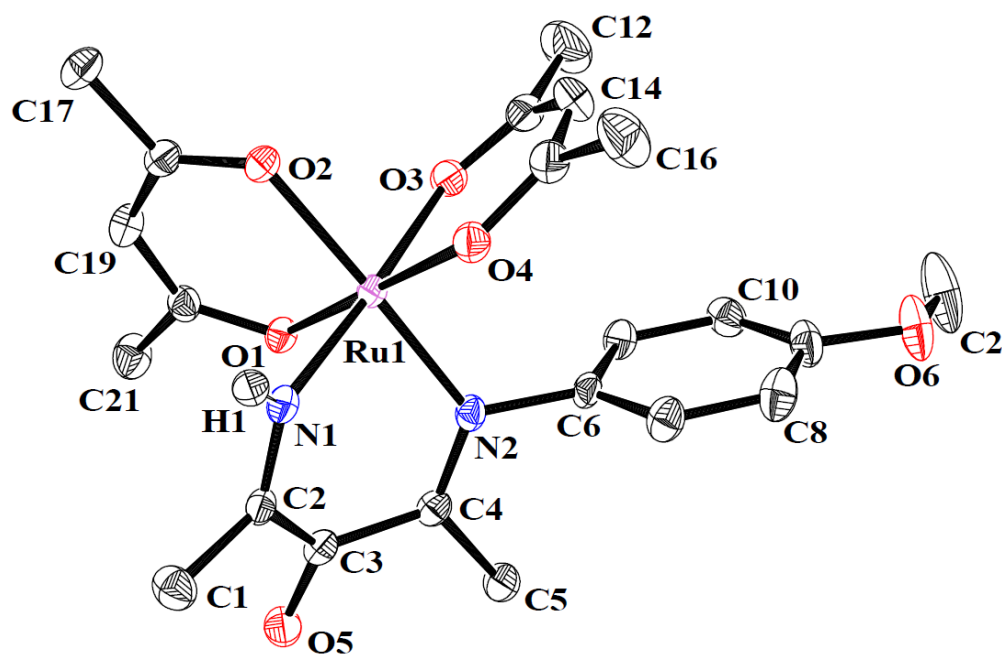


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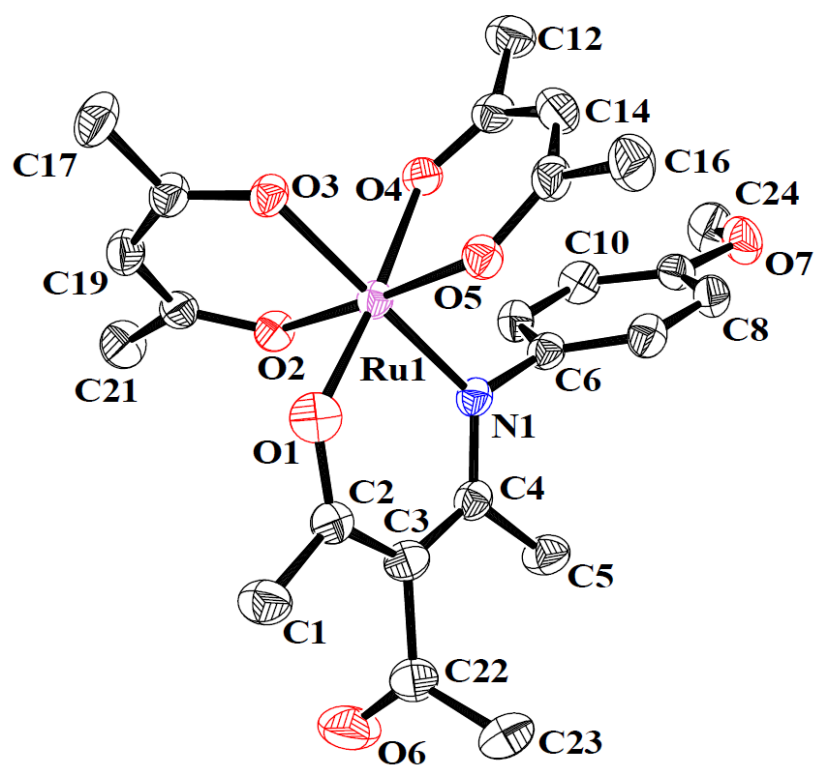


Fig. S6 Perspective view of the asymmetric unit of 5c. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

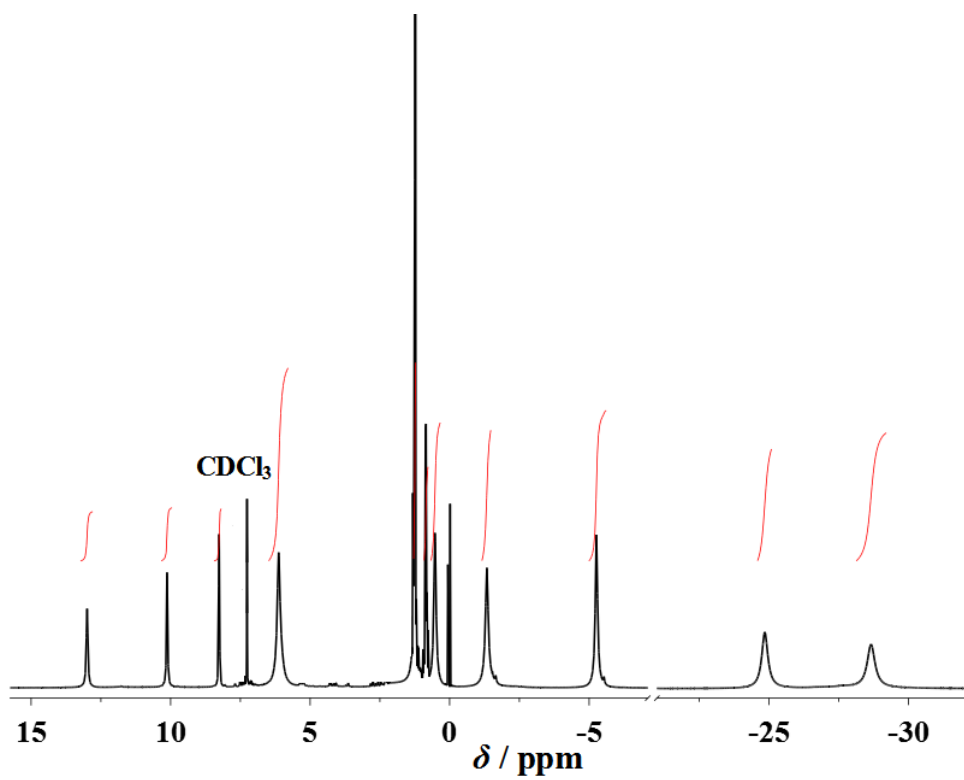


Fig. S7a ^1H NMR of **1a** in CDCl_3 with TMS ($\delta = 0$ ppm) as internal standard.

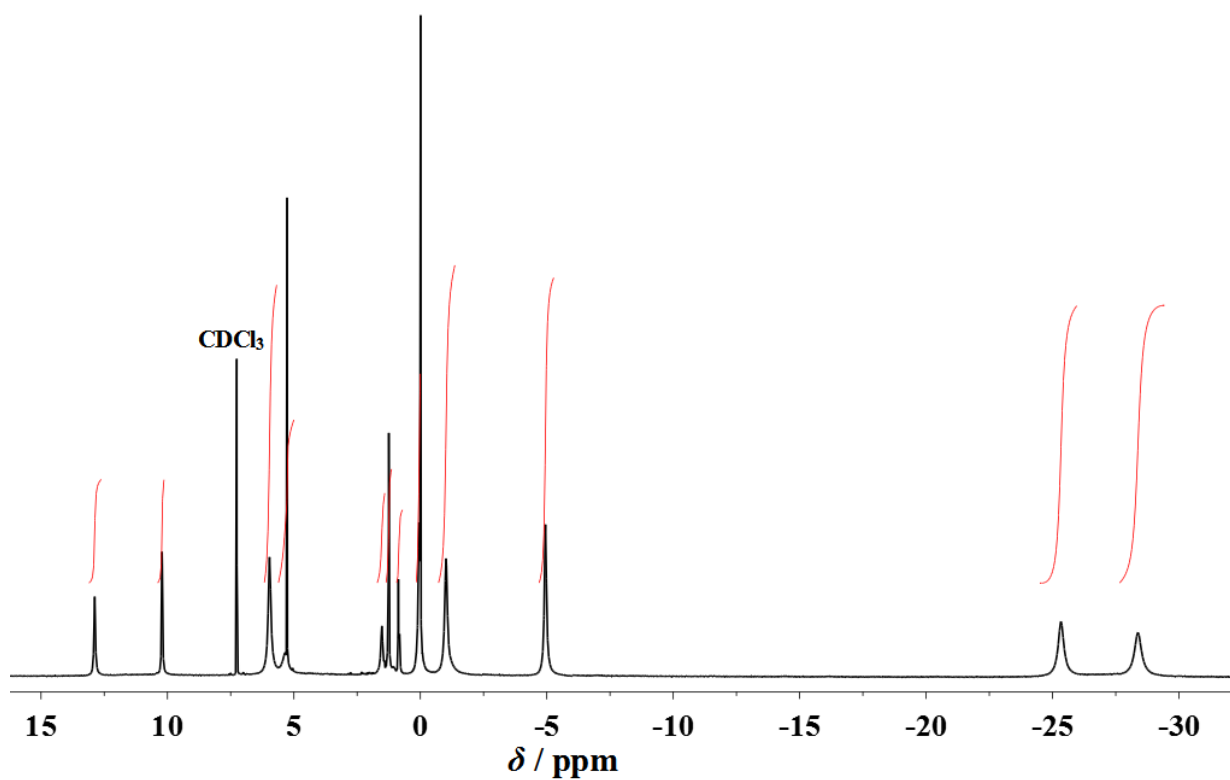


Fig. S7b ^1H NMR of **1b** in CDCl_3 with TMS ($\delta = 0$ ppm) as internal standard.

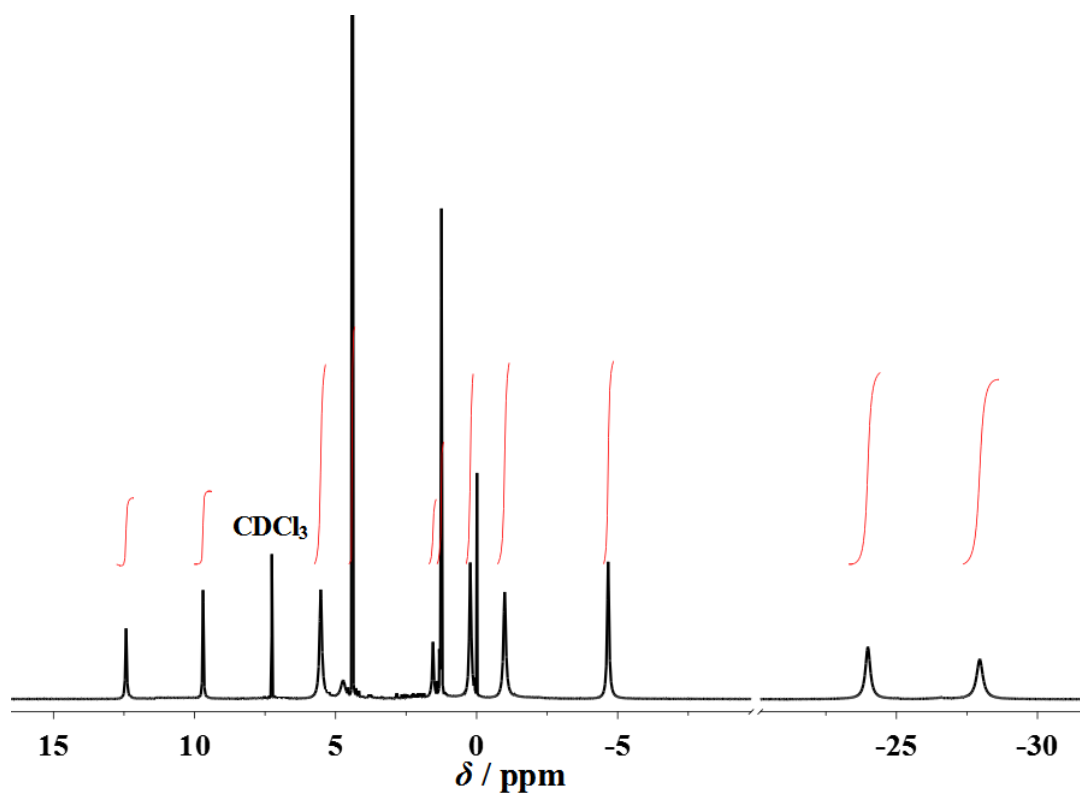


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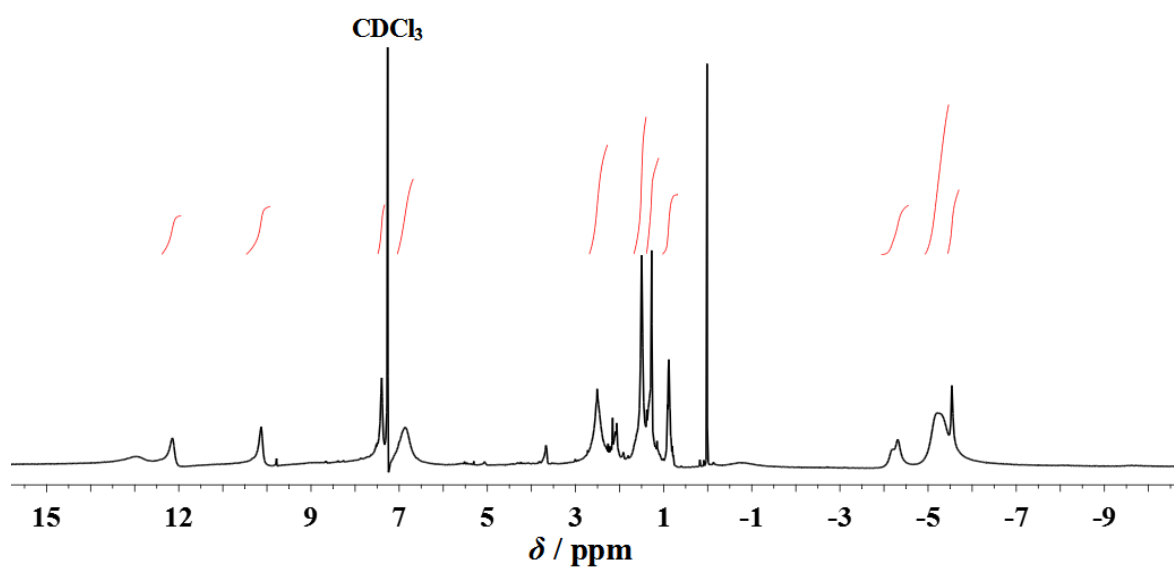


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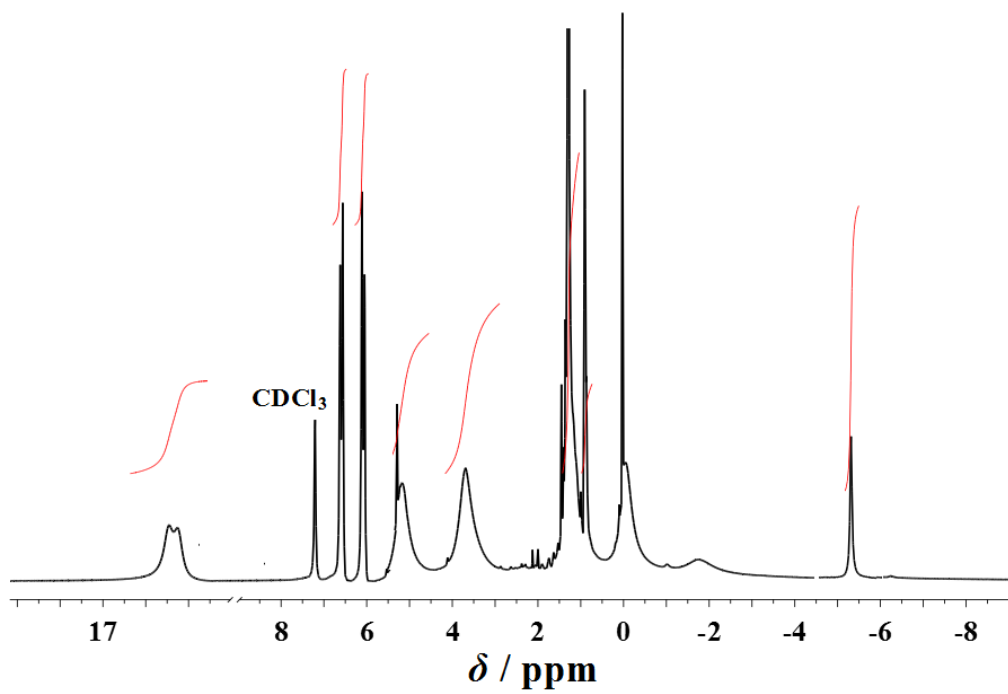


Fig. S7e ^1H NMR of **3b** in CDCl_3 with TMS ($\delta = 0$ ppm) as internal standard.

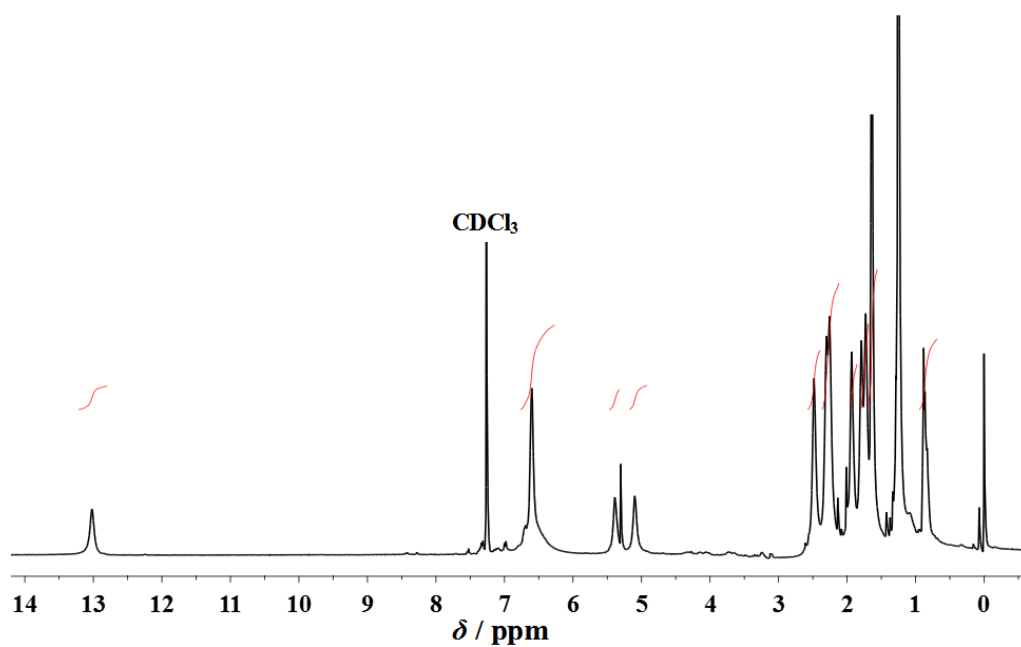


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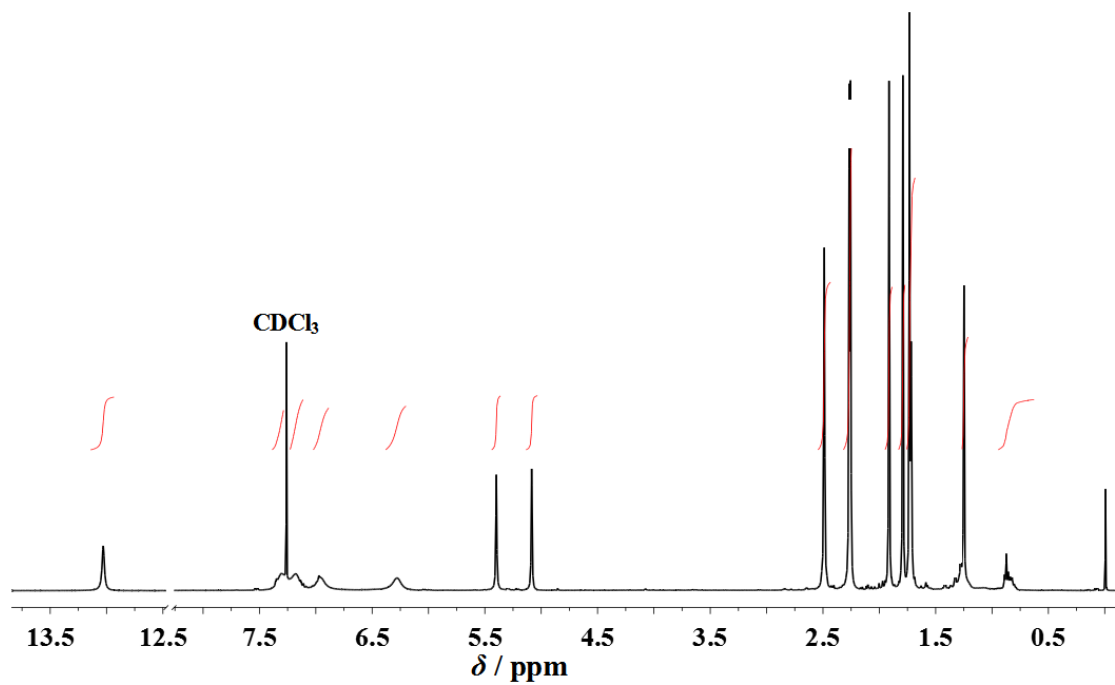


Fig. S7g ^1H NMR of **4b** in CDCl_3 with TMS ($\delta = 0$ ppm) as internal standard.

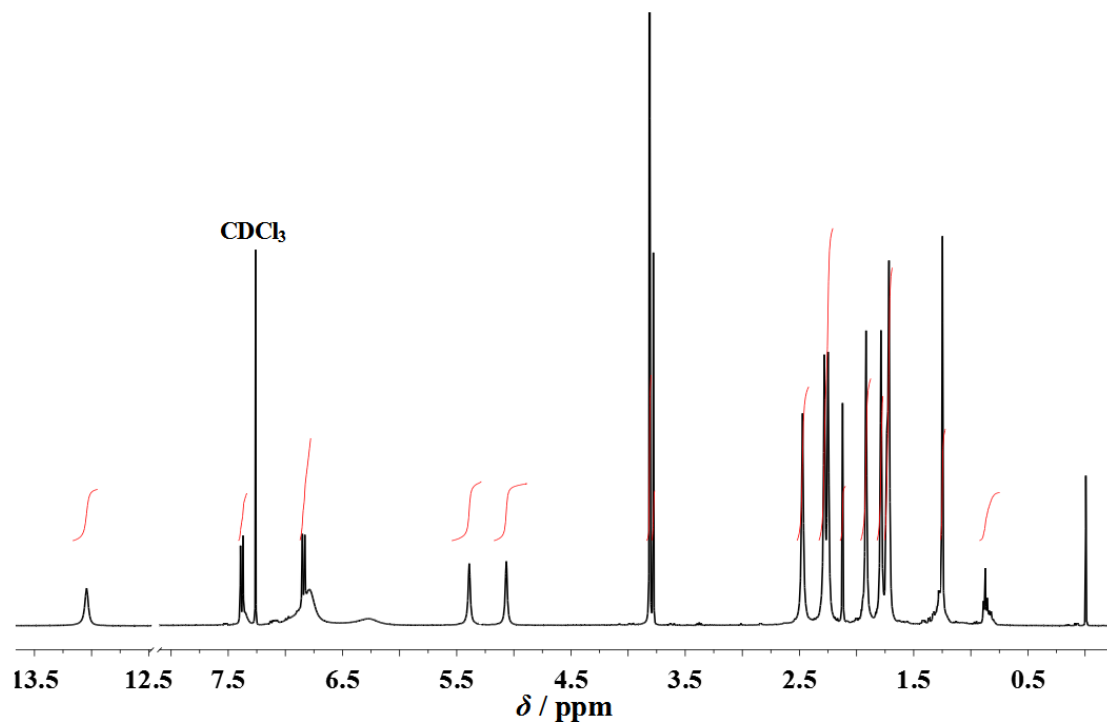


Fig. S7h ^1H NMR of **4c** in CDCl_3 with TMS ($\delta = 0$ ppm) as internal standard.

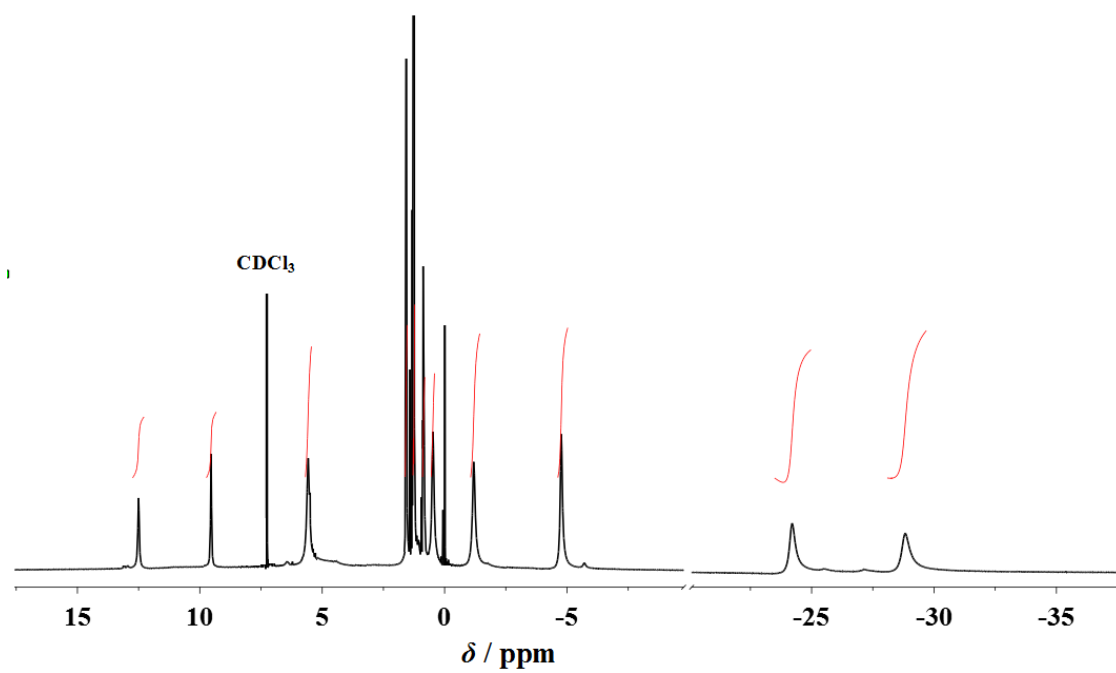


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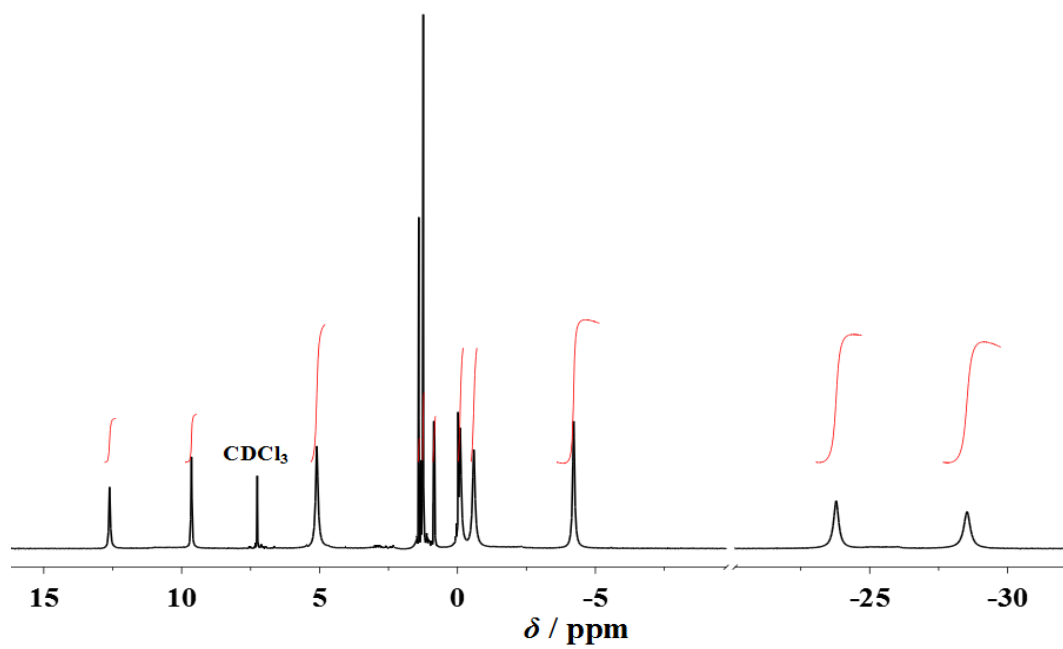


Fig. S7j ^1H NMR of **5b** in CDCl_3 with TMS ($\delta = 0$ ppm) as internal standard.

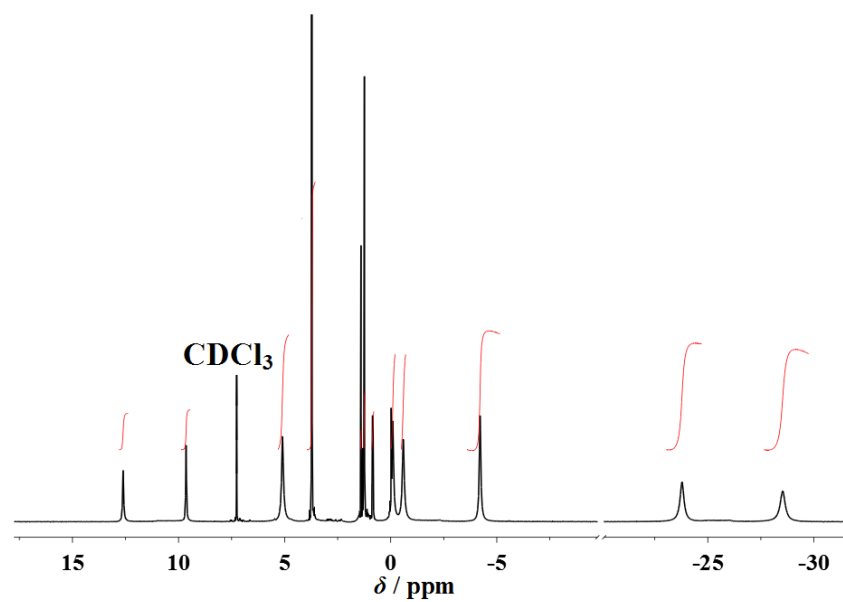


Fig. S7k ^1H NMR of **5c** in CDCl_3 with TMS ($\delta = 0$ ppm) as internal standard.

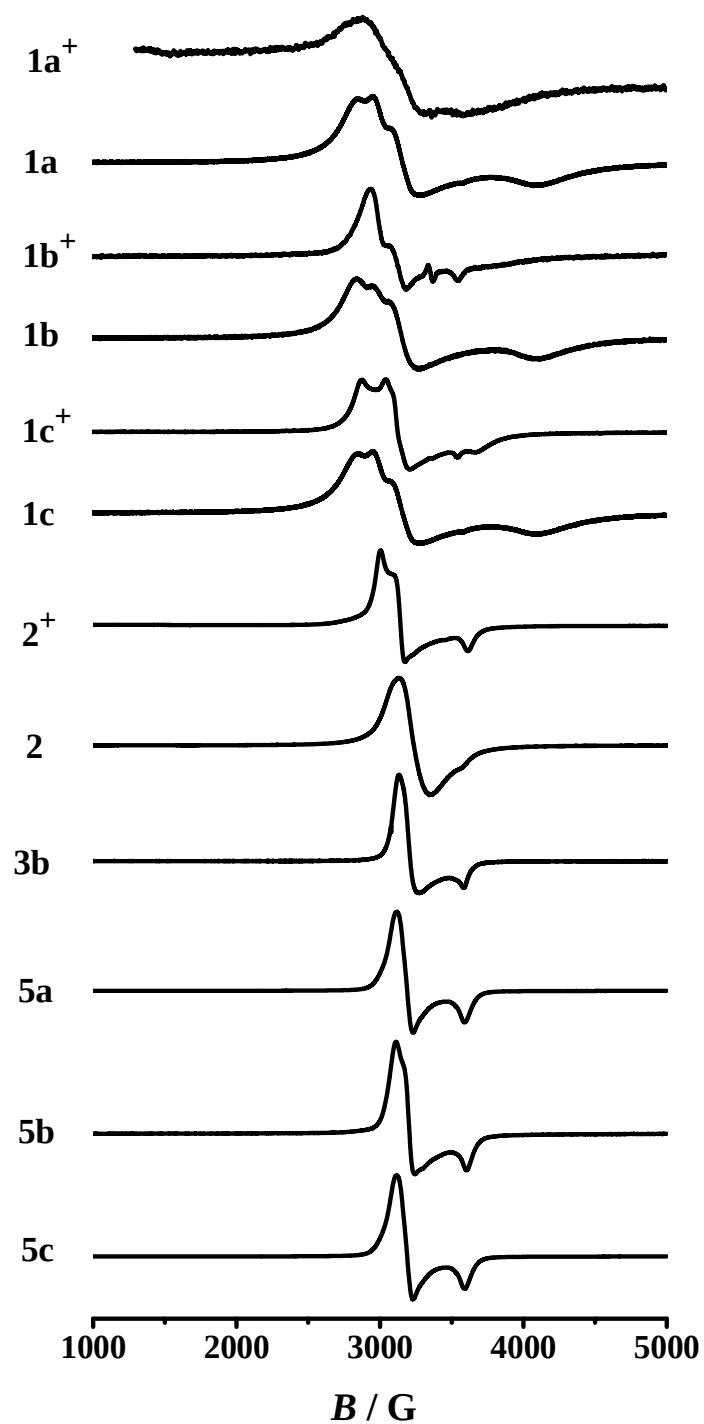


Fig. S8 X-band EPR spectra in CH₂Cl₂/toluene (1:5) at 100 K.

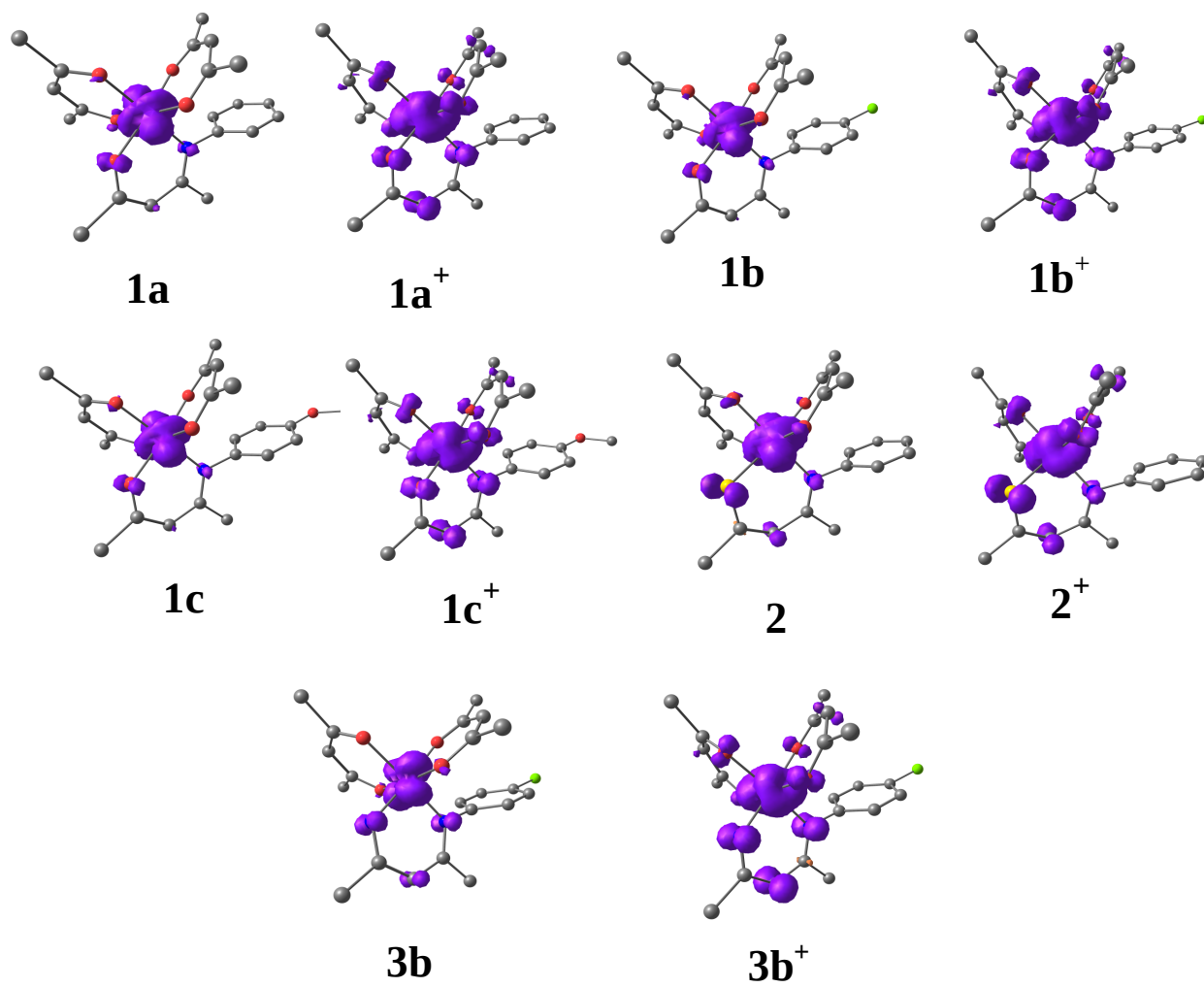


Fig. S9 Mulliken spin density plots of representative complexes.

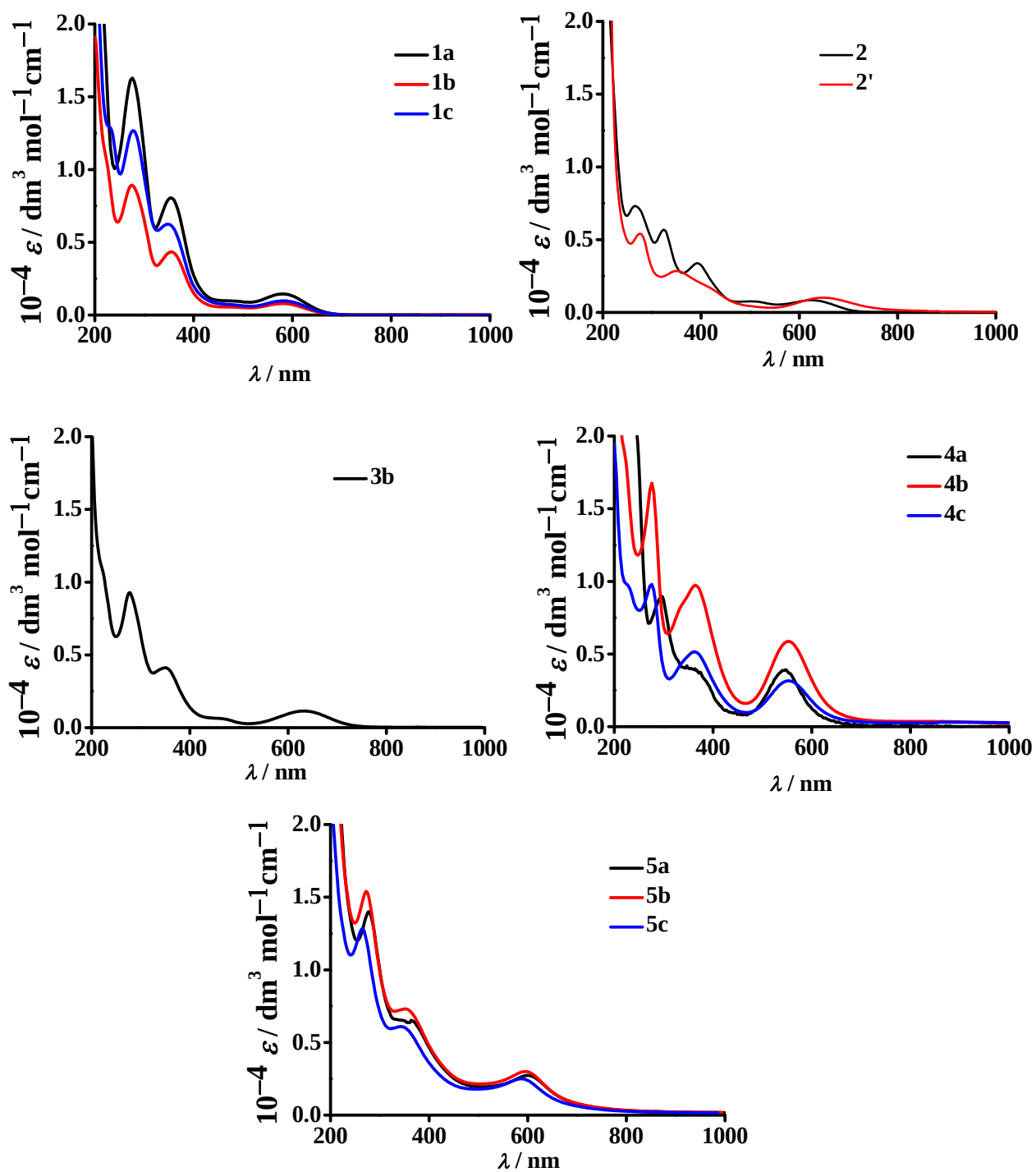


Fig. S10 Electronic spectra of complexes in CH_3CN .

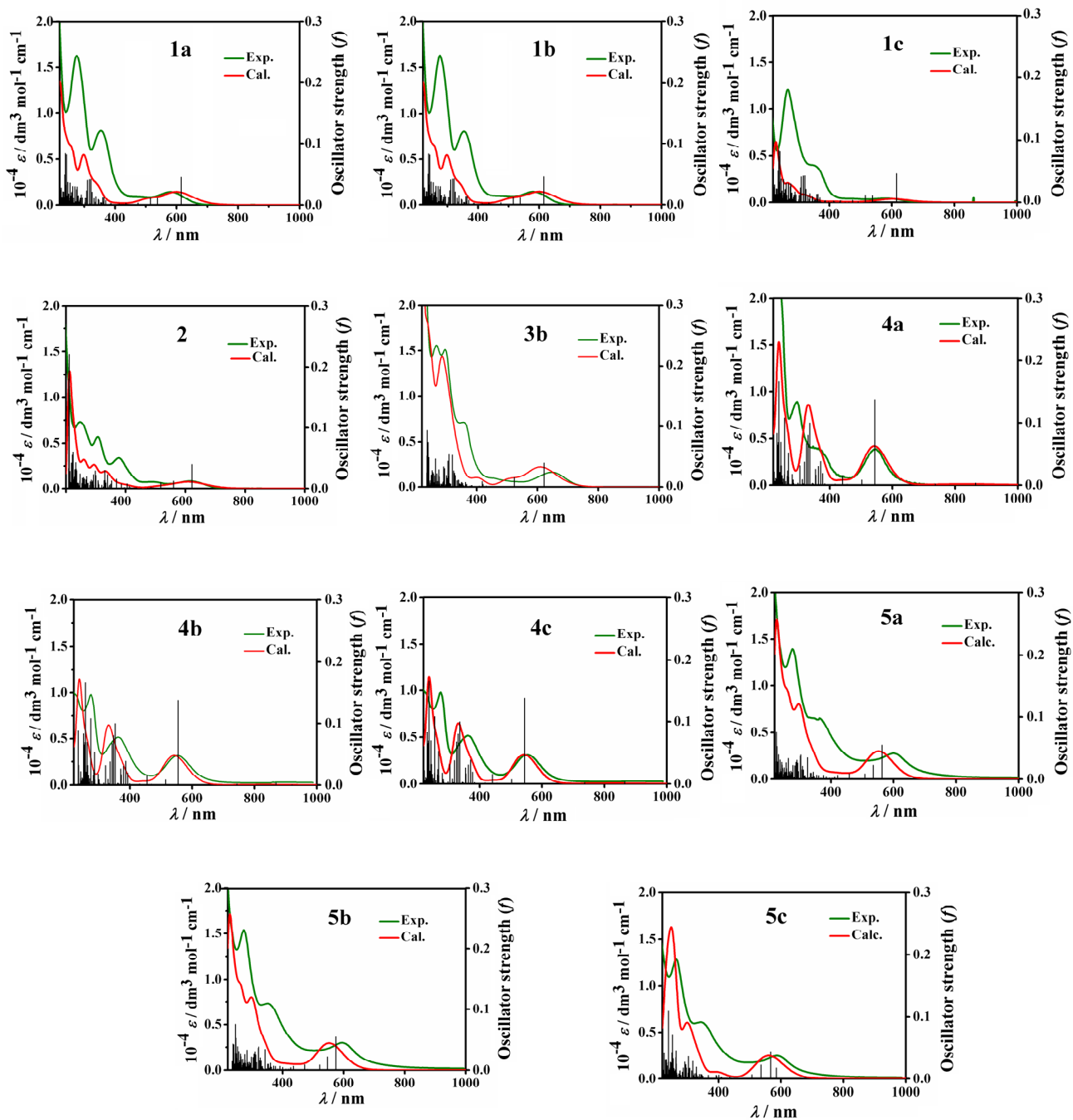


Fig. S11 Experimental (CH_3CN) and TD-DFT ((U)B3LYP/CPCM/ CH_3CN) calculated electronic spectra of representative complexes. Oscillator strengths are shown by black vertical lines; the spectra (red) are convoluted with a Gaussian function having full width at half-maximum of 3000 cm^{-1} .

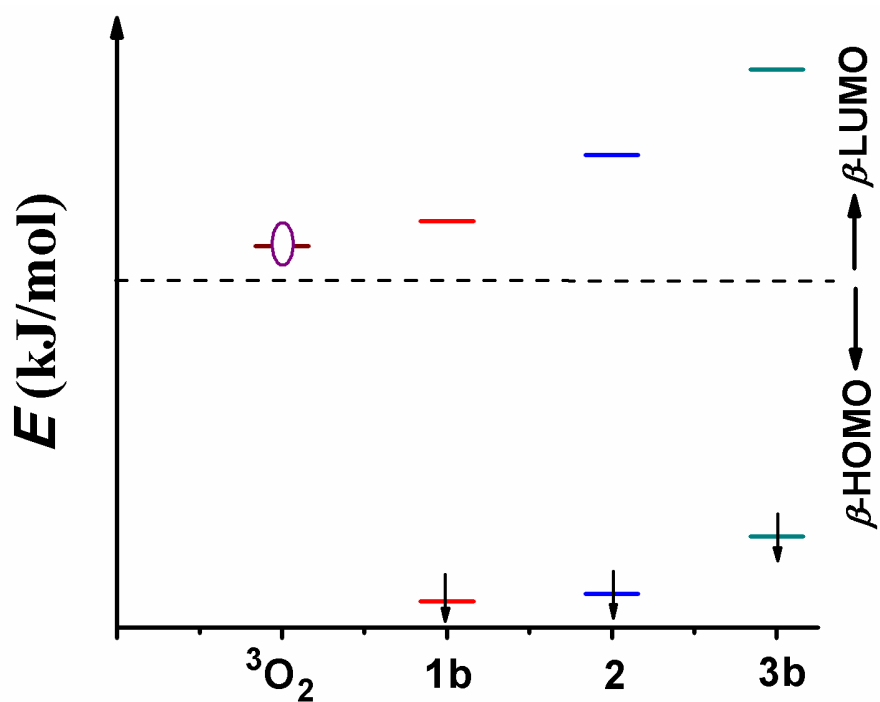


Fig. S12 DFT [(U)B3LYP/LanL2DZ/6-31G*] calculated relative energy level diagram for HOMO of complexes and LUMO of $^3\text{O}_2$ (considering HOMO of **1b** as zero).

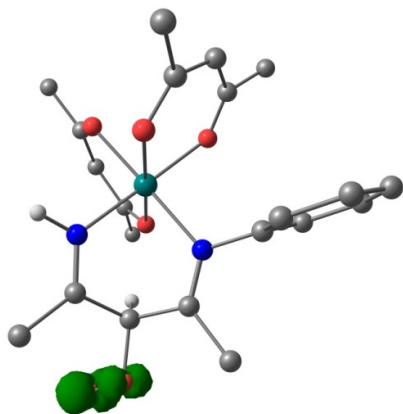


Fig. S13 Mulliken spin density plot of superoxide radical corresponding to **M**.

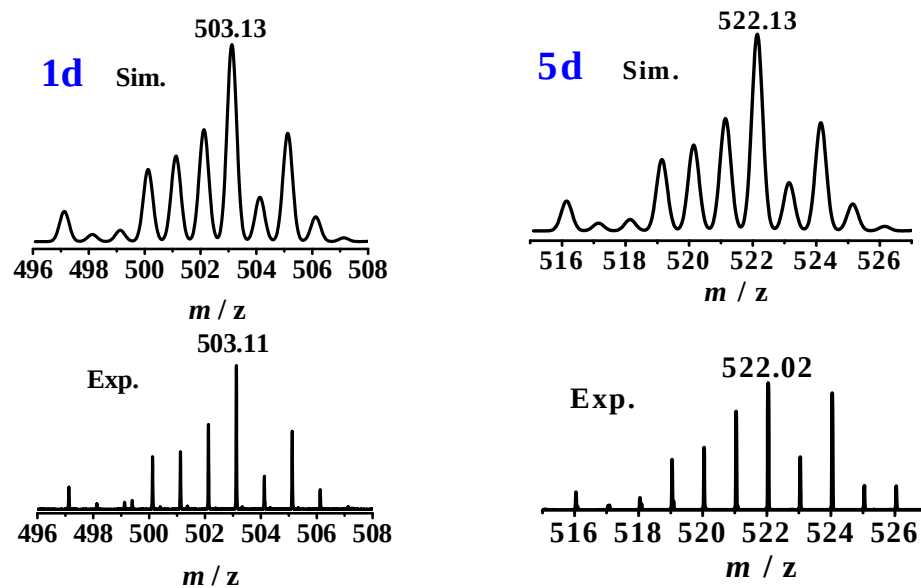


Fig. S14 Experimental and simulated ESI(+) mass spectra of $\{\mathbf{1d}+\mathbf{Na}\}^+$ and $\{\mathbf{5d}\}^+$ in CH_3CN .

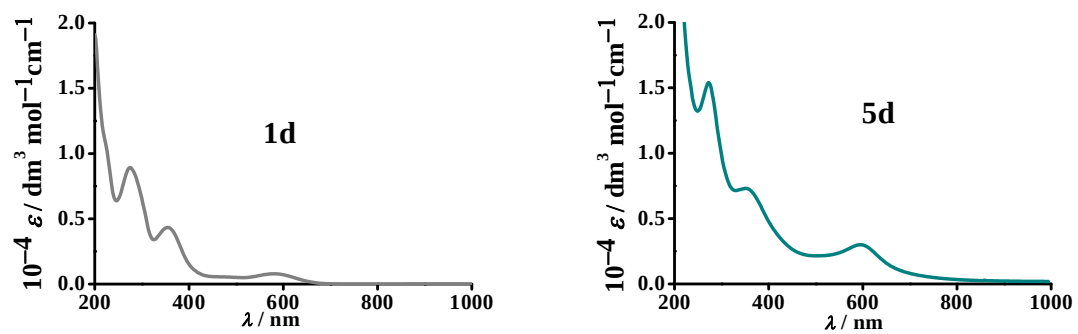


Fig. S15 Electronic spectra of complexes in CH_3CN .

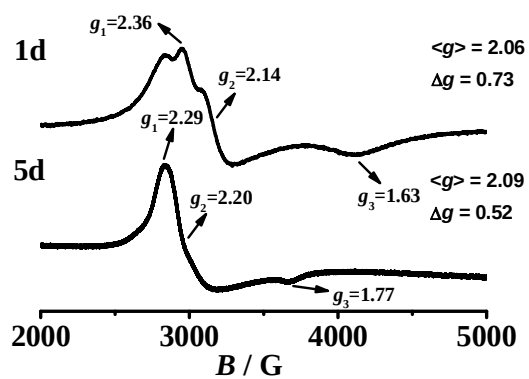


Fig. S16 X-band EPR spectra in $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{toluene}$ (1:5) at 100 K.

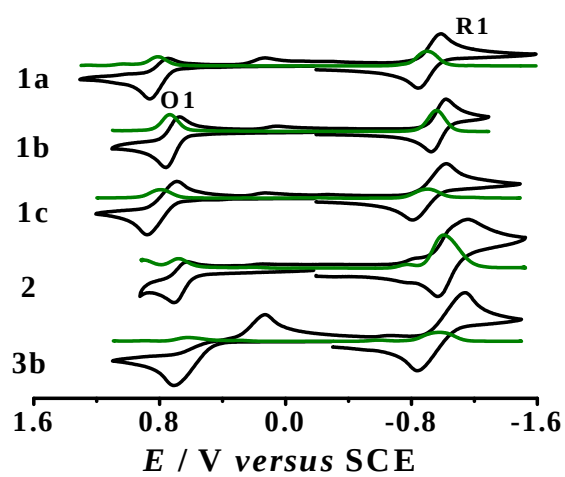


Fig. S17 Cyclic (black) and differential pulse (green) voltammograms in CH_3CN .

Table S1 Selected crystallographic data for complexes **1a**, **1b**, **1c**, **2**, **2'**

complex	1a	1b	1c	2	2'
empirical formula	C ₂₁ H ₂₆ NO ₅ Ru	C ₂₁ H ₂₅ NO ₅ ClRu	C ₄₄ H ₅₆ N ₂ O ₁₂ Ru ₂	C ₂₁ H ₂₆ NO ₄ RuS	C ₆₀ H ₈₄ O ₂₄ Ru ₆ S ₂
fw	473.50	507.94	1007.04	489.56	1895.84
crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Triclinic	monoclinic	trigonal
space group	<i>P2₁/c</i>	<i>P2₁/c</i>	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$	<i>P 1 21/C 1</i>	<i>R</i> $\bar{3}$
<i>a</i> (Å)	8.3726(2)	8.2589(3)	11.3588(12)	8.4297(2)	16.3489(3)
<i>b</i> (Å)	12.5886(4)	12.7453(4)	12.8458(13)	12.4543(3)	16.3489(3)
<i>c</i> (Å)	20.3571(6)	20.9922(5)	15.7582(18)	20.9818(5)	46.9643(9)
α (deg)	90	90	107.603(10)	90	90
β (deg)	90.644(3)	97.68(3)	97.419(9)	99.129(2)	90
γ (deg)	90	90	90.534(8)	90	120
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	2115.32(11)	2189.87(11)	2170.5(4)	2174.89(9)	10871.1(5)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	2	4	6
μ (mm ⁻¹)	0.771	0.869	0.760	0.842	1.350
<i>T</i> (K)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)
<i>D</i> _{calcd} (g cm ⁻³)	1.487	1.541	1.541	1.495	1.738
<i>F</i> (000)	972	1036	1036	1004	5700
θ range (deg)	1.91 to 24.998	2.527 to 24.999	1.810 to 24.999	2.558 to 24.996	2.2390 to 31.0520
data/restraints/parameters	3685 / 0 / 259	3804 / 0 / 268	7658 / 0 / 543	3748 / 0 / 259	4247 / 0 / 294
R1, wR2 [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)]	0.0290, 0.0883	0.0242, 0.0601	0.0946, 0.1932	0.0218, 0.0653	0.0343, 0.0859
R1, wR2(all data)	0.0380, 0.1102	0.0286, 0.0627	0.1611, 0.2346	0.0236, 0.0672	0.0400, 0.0893
GOF	1.277	1.067	1.078	1.189	1.083
largest diff. peak/hole, (e Å ⁻³)	0.931 / -0.999	0.452 / -0.429	0.838 / -1.477	0.331 / -0.338	1.794 / -0.723

Table S2 Selected crystallographic data for complexes **3b**, **4b**, **4c**, **5b**, **5c**

complex	3b	4b	4c	5b	5c
empirical formula	C ₂₁ H ₂₆ ClN ₂ O ₄ Ru	C ₂₁ H ₂₅ ClN ₂ O ₅ Ru	C ₂₂ H ₂₈ N ₂ O ₆ Ru	C ₂₃ H ₂₄ ClNO ₆ Ru	C ₂₄ H ₃₀ NO ₇ Ru
fw	505.95	521.95	517.53	546.97	544.56
crystal system	triclinic	triclinic	monoclinic	Triclinic	Triclinic
space group	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$	<i>P</i> 21/ <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$
<i>a</i> (Å)	9.1225(3)	9.7016(3)	12.4919(4)	9.7720(4)	9.4676(3)
<i>b</i> (Å)	11.0240(4)	11.2609(3)	8.8549(2)	11.2425(4)	11.9575(4)
<i>c</i> (Å)	11.8754	11.3567(3)	22.3944(6)	11.6540(3)	12.7857(3)
α (deg)	90.007(3)	107.004(2)	90	71.213(3)	64.818(3)
β (deg)	107.513(3)	109.034(2)	105.445(3)	85.477(3)	78.619(3)
γ (deg)	102.473(3)	99.357(2)	90	79.983(3)	69.402(3)
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	1109.30(7)	1074.96(6)	2387.69(12)	1193.28(8)	1224.21(7)
<i>Z</i>	2	2	4	2	4
μ (mm ⁻¹)	0.855	0.896	0.694	0.807	0.683
<i>T</i> (K)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)
<i>D</i> _{calcd} (g cm ⁻³)	1.515	1.708	1.440	1.5222	1.480
<i>F</i> (000)	516	568	1064.0	554.0688	562
θ range (deg)	1.803 to 25.00	1.973 to 24.998	2.145 to 24.996	1.85 to 24.99	1.763 to 31.206
data/restraints/parameters	3868 / 0 / 272	3784 / 0 / 281	4186 / 0 / 291	3383 / 0 / 295	7250 / 0 / 306
R1, wR2 [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)]	0.0269, 0.0632	0.0237, 0.0553	0.0265, 0.0621	0.0514, 0.1462	0.0446, 0.1033
R1, wR2(all data)	0.0314, 0.0651	0.0273, 0.0567	0.0299, 0.0643	0.0671, 0.1772	0.0621, 0.1228
GOF	1.083	1.045	1.059	1.0343	1.112
largest diff. peak/hole, (e Å ⁻³)	0.445/ -0.474	0.443 / -0.722	0.432/ -0.387	0.8939/ -2.0507	0.886/ -1.306

Table S3 Selected experimental and DFT calculated bond lengths (Å) for **1a**, **1b**, **1c**, **5b**, **5c**

bond lengths	1a		1b		1c		5b		5c	
	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT
Ru1-N1	2.020(3)	2.068	2.0201(16)	2.020	2.022(9)	2.066	2.025(4)	2.077	2.004(2)	2.047
Ru1-O1	1.991(3)	2.013	1.9831(14)	1.983	1.992(7)	2.013	1.973(5)	2.007	1.959(2)	2.036
Ru1-O2	2.023(2)	2.067	2.0004(15)	2.021	1.992(7)	2.040	2.010(4)	2.043	2.0131(19)	2.046
Ru1-O3	2.052(2)	2.077	2.0490(13)	2.049	2.064(7)	2.070	2.039(4)	2.067	2.0482(19)	2.068
Ru1-O4	2.021(2)	2.068	2.0196(13)	2.020	2.029(6)	2.068	2.063(4)	2.053	2.068(2)	2.078
Ru1-O5	2.007(3)	2.040	2.0209(15)	2.000	2.016(7)	2.068	2.043(4)	2.070	2.0367(19)	2.046
C2-O1	1.285(5)	1.289	1.283(3)	1.283	1.274(12)	1.289	1.305(7)	1.288	1.325(4)	1.272
C2-C3	1.381(5)	1.391	1.378(3)	1.378	1.403(14)	1.391	1.421(8)	1.403	1.413(4)	1.430
C3-C4	1.425(5)	1.420	1.412(3)	1.412	1.387(13)	1.420	1.427(7)	1.446	1.395(4)	1.434
C4-N1	1.326(4)	1.325	1.322(2)	1.322	1.334(13)	1.325	1.309(7)	1.321	1.338(4)	1.329
C3-C22							1.491(8)	1.507	1.518(4)	1.490
C22-O6							1.216(8)	1.221	1.200(4)	1.225

Table S4 Selected experimental and DFT calculated bond lengths (Å) for **2**, **3b**, **4b**, **4c**

bond lengths	2		3b		4b		4c	
	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT
Ru1-N1	2.0307(17)	2.091	1.956(2)	1.987	1.9460(18)	1.985	1.9484(19)	1.982
Ru1-N2			2.0101(18)	2.058	1.9709(16)	2.045	1.9756(18)	2.045
Ru1-O1	2.0220(14)	2.044	2.0115(15)	2.103	2.0077(14)	2.063	2.0727(15)	2.064
Ru1-O2	2.0620(14)	2.078	2.0375(16)	2.059	2.0301(13)	2.078	2.0161(15)	2.081
Ru1-O3	2.0752(14)	2.101	2.0756(16)	2.110	2.0589(14)	2.098	2.0575(15)	2.100
Ru1-O4	2.0241(14)	2.073	2.0425(15)	2.057	2.0477(14)	2.089	2.0448(15)	2.089
Ru1-S1	2.2392(6)	2.319						
C2-S1	1.695(3)	1.725						
C2-C3	1.356(4)	1.373	1.395(3)	1.402	1.473(3)	1.486	1.476(3)	1.485
C3-C4	1.427(3)	1.437	1.393(3)	1.409	1.480(3)	1.502	1.488(3)	1.502
C4-N1	1.328(3)	1.317						
C2-N1			1.316(3)	1.324	1.290(3)	1.299	1.297(3)	1.299
C4-N2			1.328(3)	1.337	1.306(3)	1.305	1.312(3)	1.305
C3-O5					1.234(3)	1.233	1.246(3)	1.234

Table S5 Selected experimental and DFT calculated bond angles [deg] for **1a**, **1b**, **1c**

bond	1a		1b		1c	
angle [deg]	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(2)	91.36(10)	89.726	88.57(6)	89.739	90.6(3)	89.584
O(1)-Ru(1)-N(1)	93.05(11)	91.250	92.86(6)	91.124	92.5(3)	91.165
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(3)	85.65(10)	87.308	85.31(6)	87.302	88.8(3)	87.345
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(5)	89.05(11)	91.399	90.94(6)	91.449	88.7(3)	91.548
O(2)-Ru(1)-O(4)	87.19(10)	88.913	92.74(6)	88.936	89.1(3)	88.817
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(4)	93.03(10)	93.452	92.96(6)	93.574	92.6(3)	93.591
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(3)	177.15(10)	178.558	176.62(6)	178.423	176.1(3)	178.499
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(5)	90.88(10)	92.82	91.18(6)	92.708	94.4(3)	92.674
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(2)	89.95(10)	88.345	90.07(6)	88.317	83.5(3)	88.417
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(4)	173.65(9)	175.06	174.03(5)	175.079	174.8(3)	174.938
O(3)-Ru(1)-O(4)	88.23(9)	87.990	88.94(5)	88.002	86.0(3)	87.182
O(2)-Ru(1)-O(3)	92.62(9)	91.684	87.05(6)	91.774	92.9(3)	91.757
O(5)-Ru(1)-O(3)	86.56(9)	87.173	91.69(6)	87.235	89.3(3)	87.182
O(5)-Ru(1)-O(2)	179.05(9)	178.357	178.68(5)	178.416	177.7(3)	178.411
O(5)-Ru(1)-O(4)	92.31(10)	89.867	87.62(6)	89.794	91.9(3)	89.962

Table S6 Selected experimental and DFT calculated bond angles [deg] for **5b**, **5c**, **3b**

bond	5b		5c		3b	
angle [deg]	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(2)	87.43(19)	89.94	90.18(9)	88.663	92.89(6)	90.383
O(1)-Ru(1)-N(1)	87.25(19)	87.84	90.32(10)	86.737	88.07(7)	89.161
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(3)	89.95(17)	88.74	89.23(9)	90.240	87.90(6)	87.246
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(5)	91.86(19)	91.17	91.83(9)	90.314		
O(2)-Ru(1)-O(4)	88.77(17)	88.84	87.80(8)	92.539	85.66(6)	86.858
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(4)	95.37(17)	95.56	93.78(9)	94.800	93.44(7)	89.497
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(3)	176.48(16)	176.57	179.13(7)	176.713	174.41(7)	175.500
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(5)	92.54(18)	92.82	93.02(9)	91.395		
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(2)	87.82(18)	87.88	89.08(9)	90.439	89.05(7)	87.722
N(2)-Ru(1)-O(2)					177.06(6)	177.979
N(2)-Ru(1)-O(4)					91.93(7)	93.721
N(2)-Ru(1)-O(3)					94.42(7)	93.986
N(2)-Ru(1)-O(1)					89.56(7)	89.161
N(1)-Ru(1)-N(2)					89.42(8)	90.347
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(4)	175.30(16)	176.34	175.39(8)	178.039	177.89(6)	175.427
O(3)-Ru(1)-O(4)	87.57(15)	87.85	86.69(8)	88.250	90.50(6)	89.011
O(2)-Ru(1)-O(3)	94.18(16)	92.46	91.66(8)	88.199	87.29(6)	87.958
O(5)-Ru(1)-O(3)	85.42(16)	86.89	86.25(8)	89.911		
O(5)-Ru(1)-O(2)	179.19(13)	178.69	177.09(7)	177.847		
O(5)-Ru(1)-O(4)	91.92(17)	89.99	90.04(8)	88.433		
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)					127.0(2)	127.790

Table S7 Selected experimental and DFT calculated bond angles [deg] for **4b**, **4c**, **2**

bond	4b		4c		2	
angle [deg]	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT	X-ray	DFT
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(2)	94.30(6)	92.607	93.58(6)	92.671	92.08(6)	92.200
O(1)-Ru(1)-N(1)	85.57(7)	84.886	85.90(7)	87.42	90.71(6)	87.741
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(3)	88.25(6)	88.965	89.04(6)	88.906	85.56(6)	86.310
O(2)-Ru(1)-O(4)	84.89(6)	86.438	85.91(6)	86.545	86.74(6)	86.484
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(4)	93.83(7)	93.076	93.55(7)	97.742	90.41(6)	93.768
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(3)	173.27(6)	175.326	174.59(7)	175.128	93.47(6)	93.172
N(1)-Ru(1)-O(2)	91.12(7)	90.895	91.00(7)	90.745	177.07(6)	179.037
N(2)-Ru(1)-O(2)	178.94(6)	177.240	178.23(6)	177.38		
N(2)-Ru(1)-O(4)	94.64(6)	96.075	95.01(7)	95.832		
N(2)-Ru(1)-O(3)	94.26(6)	94.482	94.08(7)	94.829		
N(2)-Ru(1)-O(1)	86.16(6)	84.886	85.49(7)	84.955		
N(1)-Ru(1)-N(2)	87.96(7)	87.834	87.43(8)	88.045		
O(1)-Ru(1)-O(4)	178.98(5)	179.010	179.24(6)	179.199	175.89(6)	175.008
O(3)-Ru(1)-O(4)	92.32(6)	90.178	91.49(6)	90.882	90.42(6)	88.792
O(2)-Ru(1)-O(3)	86.70(6)	86.614	87.41(6)	86.222	85.90(6)	85.903
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	120.26(18)	121.341	119.66(18)	121.52	131.6(2)	131.068
O(1)-Ru(1)-S(1)					92.96(5)	92.189
O(4)-Ru(1)-S(1)					90.87(5)	92.569
O(3)-Ru(1)-S(1)					171.24(4)	173.343
O(2)-Ru(1)-S(1)					85.52(5)	87.676
N(1)-Ru(1)-S(1)					95.19(5)	93.240

Table S8 EPR data of complexes at 100K

complex	g_1	g_2	g_3	$\langle g \rangle^a$	Δg^b
1a⁺	2.32	2.15	1.88	2.12	0.44
1a	2.36	2.14	1.64	2.07	0.72
1b⁺	2.29	2.16	1.88	2.12	0.41
1b	2.35	2.15	1.64	2.07	0.73
1c⁺	2.33	2.14	1.88	2.12	0.45
1c	2.36	2.14	1.63	2.06	0.73
2⁺	2.22	2.13	1.85	2.07	0.37
2	2.33	2.14	1.89	2.12	0.44
3b	2.15	2.10	1.87	2.04	0.28
5a	2.14	2.10	1.87	2.04	0.27
5b	2.14	2.10	1.86	2.04	0.28
5c	2.15	2.10	1.87	2.04	0.28

$$^a \langle g \rangle = \{(1/3)(g_1^2 + g_2^2 + g_3^2)\}^{1/2} \cdot ^b \Delta g = g_1 - g_3$$

Table S9 DFT calculated (UB3LYP/LanL2DZ/6-31G*) Mulliken spin densities

complex	Ru1	L	acac
1a⁺ (S=1)	1.211	0.403	0.387
1a (S=1/2)	0.807	0.117	0.075
1b⁺ (S=1)	1.213	0.386	0.392
1b (S=1/2)	0.808	0.115	0.078
1c⁺ (S=1)	1.198	0.441	0.361
1c (S=1/2)	0.806	0.120	0.072
2⁺ (S=1)	1.192	0.435	0.373
2 (S=1/2)	0.753	0.178	0.069
3b⁺ (S=1)	1.118	0.568	0.314
3b (S=1/2)	0.737	0.219	0.044
5a (S=1/2)	0.803	0.110	0.087
5b (S=1/2)	0.807	0.117	0.075
5c (S=1/2)	0.794	0.130	0.076

Table S10 TD-DFT ((U)B3LYP/CPCM/CH₃CN) calculated electronic transitions for **1a**, **1b**, **1c**, **2**, **3b**, **4a**

λ/nm expt (DFT)	$\varepsilon/\text{M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$ (f)	transitions	character
1a (S=1/2)			
580 (587)	1067 (0.041)	HOMO-2(β) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(β) (0.94)	L(π)/acac(π) $\rightarrow$ Ru(d π)/acac(π^*)/L(π^*)
350 (353)	7782 (0.041)	HOMO-1(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1(α) (0.51) HOMO(β) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+3(β) (0.40)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*)/L(π^*) Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*)/L(π^*)
(302)	(0.04)	HOMO-2(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2(α) (0.51) HOMO-2(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(α) (0.42)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ L(π^*) L(π)/Ru(d π)/acac(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*)/L(π^*)
1b (S=1/2)			
581 (604)	1580 (0.045)	HOMO-2(β) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(β) (0.92)	L(π)/acac(π) $\rightarrow$ Ru(d π)/acac(π^*)/L(π^*)
350 (347)	8195 (0.013)	HOMO-1(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1(α) (0.41) HOMO(β) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+3(β) (0.46)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*)/L(π^*) Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*)/L(π^*)
1c (S=1/2)			
580 (569)	960 (0.02)	HOMO-2(β) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(β) (0.81)	L(π)/acac(π) $\rightarrow$ Ru(d π)/ L(π^*)/ acac(π^*)
351 (307)	7300(0.014)	HOMO-2(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1(α) (0.51) HOMO(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2(α) (0.32)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*) Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*)
(309)	(0.02)	HOMO-2(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(α) (0.57) HOMO-2(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1(α) (0.33)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ L(π^*) Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*)
2 (S=1/2)			
620 (621)	800 (0.04)	HOMO-2(β) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(β) (0.91)	acac(π)/ L(π) $\rightarrow$ L(π^*)/ Ru(d π)
393 (369)	5700(0.016)	HOMO-1(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(α) (0.56) HOMO(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+3(α) (0.32)	acac(π)/ Ru(d π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*) L(π)/ Ru(d π) $\rightarrow$ L(π^*)/acac(π^*)/Ru(d π)
3b (S=1/2)			
650 (658)	1740 (0.06)	HOMO-1(β) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(β) (0.72)	Ru(d π)/L(π)/acac(π) $\rightarrow$ Ru(d π)/ L(π^*)/ acac(π^*)
362 (317)	14400 (0.012)	HOMO-2(β) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2(β) (0.53) HOMO-1(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1(α) (0.38)	L(π)/ acac(π)/ $\rightarrow$ L(π^*)/acac(π^*) Ru(d π)/acac(π) $\rightarrow$ L(π^*)/acac(π^*)
295 (297)	15180 (0.033)	HOMO-2(α) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1(α) (0.56) HOMO-2(β) $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2(β) (0.33)	Ru(d π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ L(π^*)/acac(π^*) Ru(d π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ L(π^*)/acac(π^*)
4a (S=0)			
553 (543)	3185 (0.137)	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO (0.51) HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (0.23)	Ru(d π)/L(π)/acac(π) $\rightarrow$ L(π^*)/ Ru(d π) Ru(d π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ L(π^*)/ Ru(d π)
362 (354)	5166 (0.025)	HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2 (0.53)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π) $\rightarrow$ acac(π^*)/L(π^*)

Table S11 TD-DFT ((U)B3LYP/CPCM/CH₃CN) calculated electronic transitions for **4b**, **4c**, **5a**, **5b** and **5c**

λ/nm expt (DFT)	$\varepsilon/\text{M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$ (f)	transitions	character
4b (S=0)			
553 (543)	3185 (0.137)	HOMO→LUMO (0.51) HOMO-2→LUMO (0.23)	Ru(d π)/L(π)/acac(π)→L(π^*)/ Ru(d π) Ru(d π)/L(π)→ L(π^*)/ Ru(d π)
362 (354)	5166 (0.025)	HOMO-1→LUMO+2 (0.53)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π)→ acac(π^*)/L(π^*)
4c (S=0)			
550 (541)	3185 (0.137)	HOMO→LUMO (0.51) HOMO-2→LUMO (0.23)	Ru(d π)/L(π)/acac(π)→L(π^*)/ Ru(d π) Ru(d π)/L(π)→ L(π^*)/ Ru(d π)
362 (351)	5166 (0.025)	HOMO-1→LUMO+2 (0.53)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π)→ acac(π^*)/L(π^*)
5a (S=1/2)			
591 (564)	3060 (0.054)	HOMO-2(β)→LUMO(β) (0.85)	L(π)/acac(π)→Ru(d π)/ L(π^*)/ acac(π^*)
351 (307)	7300(0.014)	HOMO-2(α)→LUMO+1(α) (0.41) HOMO-2(α)→LUMO+2(α) (0.32)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π)→ acac(π^*) Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π)→ acac(π^*)
5b (S=1/2)			
591 (563)	3060 (0.054)	HOMO-2(β)→LUMO(β) (0.85)	L(π)/acac(π)→Ru(d π)/ L(π^*)/ acac(π^*)
351 (307)	7300(0.014)	HOMO-2(α)→LUMO+1(α) (0.41) HOMO-2(α)→LUMO+2(α) (0.32)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π)→ acac(π^*) Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π)→ acac(π^*)
5c (S=1/2)			
591 (563)	3060 (0.054)	HOMO-2(β)→LUMO(β) (0.85)	L(π)/acac(π)→Ru(d π)/ L(π^*)/ acac(π^*)
351 (307)	7300(0.014)	HOMO-2(α)→LUMO+1(α) (0.41) HOMO-2(α)→LUMO+2(α) (0.32)	Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π)→ acac(π^*) Ru(d π)/acac(π)/L(π)→ acac(π^*)

Table S12 Electrochemical data

Complexes	E^0 [V] (ΔE_p [mV]) ^{a,b}	
	O1	R1
1a	0.99 (110)	−0.72 (120)
1b	1.04 (100)	−0.65 (120)
1c	0.97 (160)	−0.72 (200)
2	0.805 (70)	−0.80 (120)
3b	0.43 ^c	−0.99 (300)

^aFrom cyclic voltammetry in CH₃CN/0.1 M Et₄NClO₄, scan rate 100 mV s^{−1}.

^bPotential in V versus SCE; peak potential differences ΔE_p /mV (in parentheses).

^cIrreversible.

Table S13 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of **1a** ($S=1/2$)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L [−]	acac [−]
<i>α</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.364	14	61	24
HOMO−4	−6.225	27	31	43
HOMO−3	−5.883	3	30	67
HOMO−2	−5.488	72	9	18
HOMO−1	−5.076	41	25	34
SOMO	−5.071	46	28	26
LUMO	−0.601	3	8	88
LUMO+1	−0.522	2	40	58
LUMO+2	−0.499	7	52	41
LUMO+3	0.002	74	14	12
LUMO+4	0.165	2	93	5
LUMO+5	0.493	50	13	37
<i>β</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.341	4	77	19
HOMO−4	−6.138	26	12	63
HOMO−3	−6.015	12	20	68
HOMO−2	−5.649	6	66	28
HOMO−1	−5.123	72	11	17
SOMO	−4.829	60	9	31
LUMO	−2.332	66	16	18
LUMO+1	−0.564	4	18	79
LUMO+2	−0.460	5	18	79
LUMO+3	−0.437	7	16	77
LUMO+4	0.066	9	83	8
LUMO+5	0.173	2	93	5

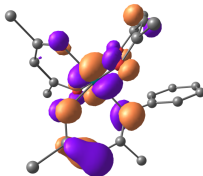
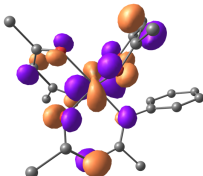
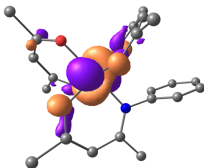
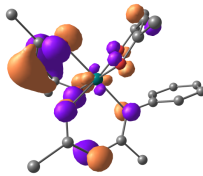
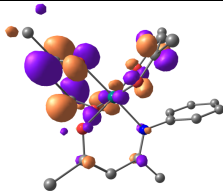
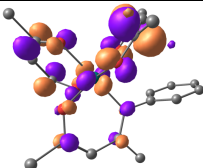
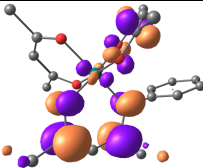
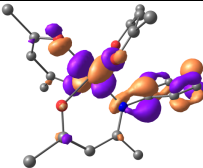
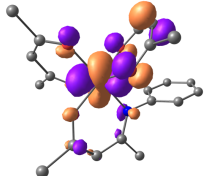
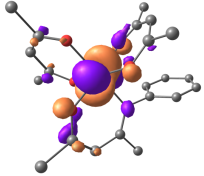
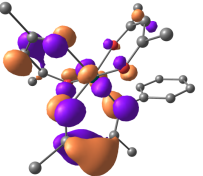
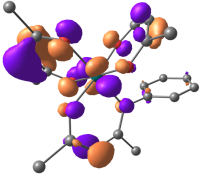
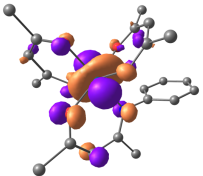
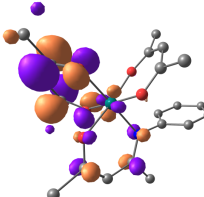
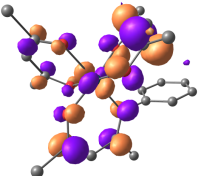
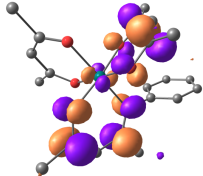
α -spin			
			
SOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3
β -spin			
			
SOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3

Table S14 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of **1b** ($S=1/2$)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L [−]	acac [−]
<i>α</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.532	33	32	35
HOMO−4	−6.270	10	70	19
HOMO−3	−6.038	5	23	73
HOMO−2	−5.832	73	10	18
HOMO−1	−5.370	33	34	33
SOMO	−5.359	45	24	31
LUMO	−0.906	4	17	79
LUMO+1	−0.856	9	71	20
LUMO+2	−0.828	3	87	11
LUMO+3	−0.433	22	62	16
LUMO+4	− 0.279	5	88	6
LUMO+5	− 0.168	47	20	33
<i>β</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.418	19	47	34
HOMO−4	−6.267	12	45	43
HOMO−3	−6.134	15	31	54
HOMO−2	−5.830	9	55	37
HOMO−1	−5.477	72	13	14
SOMO	−5.127	56	11	33
LUMO	−2.699	67	16	17
LUMO+1	−0.870	3	28	69
LUMO+2	−0.800	8	57	34
LUMO+3	−0.768	4	15	81
LUMO+4	−0.328	15	76	9
LUMO+5	− 0.270	1	95	4

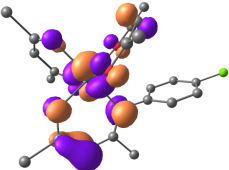
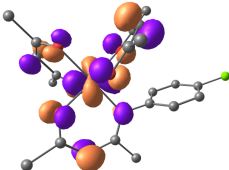
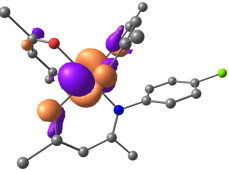
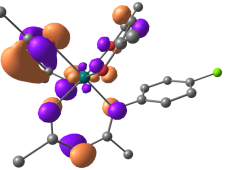
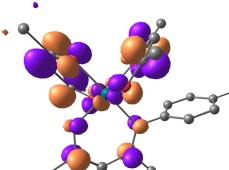
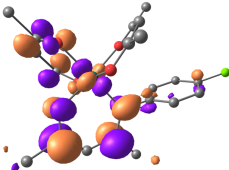
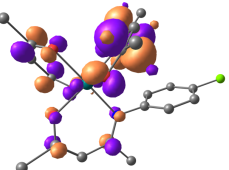
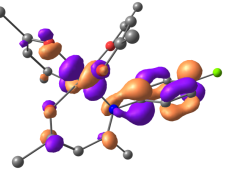
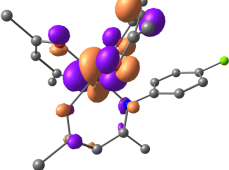
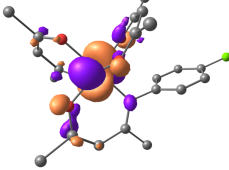
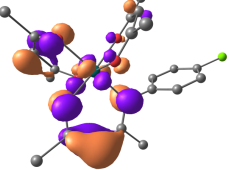
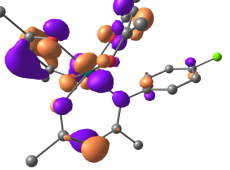
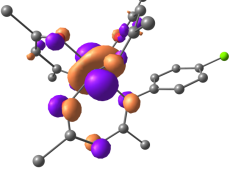
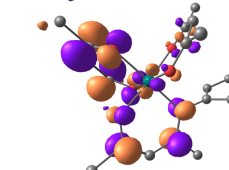
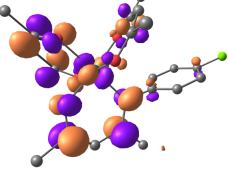
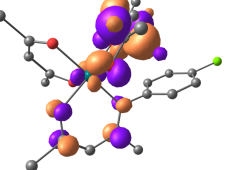
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SOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3
β -spin			
			
SOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3

Table S15 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of **1c** ($S=1/2$)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L [−]	acac [−]
<i>α</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.369	39	21	40
HOMO−4	−5.921	6	23	71
HOMO−3	−5.792	28	54	17
HOMO−2	−5.650	54	33	13
HOMO−1	−5.234	45	10	45
SOMO	−5.213	34	51	15
LUMO	−0.793	4	8	88
LUMO+1	−0.721	4	3	92
LUMO+2	−0.681	6	87	7
LUMO+3	−0.111	43	25	32
LUMO+4	− 0.031	25	62	14
LUMO+5	0.026	23	62	15
<i>β</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.240	29	14	58
HOMO−4	−6.046	13	24	62
HOMO−3	−5.750	4	79	17
HOMO−2	−5.688	12	59	29
HOMO−1	−5.323	70	17	13
SOMO	−4.990	57	11	32
LUMO	−2.560	67	16	17
LUMO+1	−0.752	3	14	83
LUMO+2	−0.665	6	5	89
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LUMO+5	0.110	31	51	18

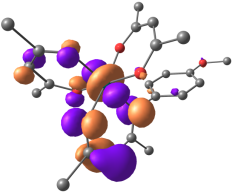
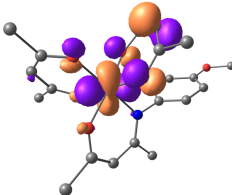
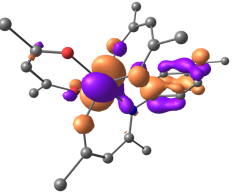
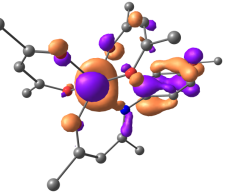
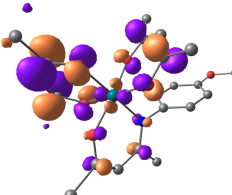
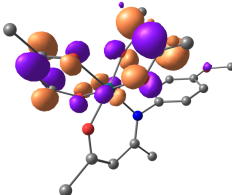
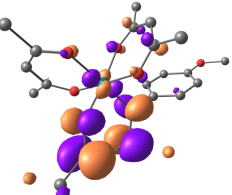
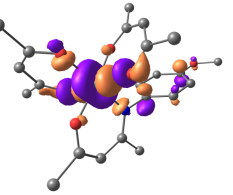
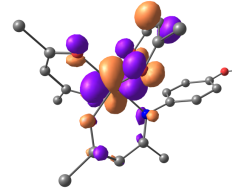
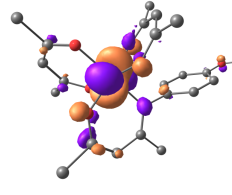
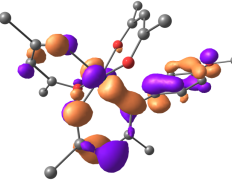
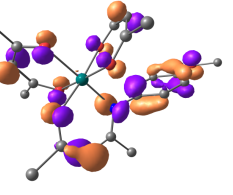
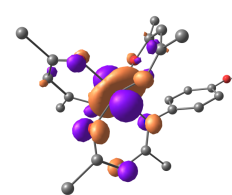
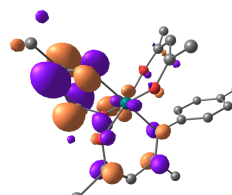
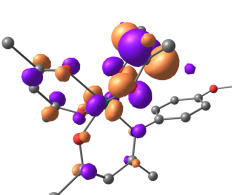
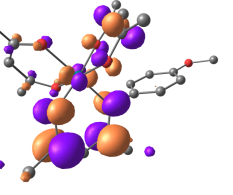
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LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3
β -spin			
			
SOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3

Table S16 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of **1b⁺** (*S*=1)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L [−]	acac [−]
<i>α</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−10.437	67	9	23
HOMO−4	−10.006	23	24	52
HOMO−3	−9.821	35	22	43
HOMO−2	−9.675	0	100	1
HOMO−1	−9.621	16	44	40
HOMO	−9.30	6	86	8
LUMO	−4.603	52	10	38
LUMO+1	−4.521	37	44	19
LUMO+2	−4.435	5	50	44
LUMO+3	−4.290	19	20	61
LUMO+4	−4.173	8	13	79
LUMO+5	−2.972	1	96	3
<i>β</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−10.111	39	19	42
HOMO−4	−10.018	23	37	40
HOMO−3	−9.829	45	27	28
HOMO−2	−9.617	36	19	45
HOMO−1	−9.602	4	33	63
HOMO	−9.440	4	90	6
LUMO	−7.391	62	12	26
LUMO+1	−7.099	54	28	18

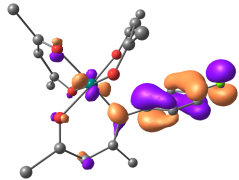
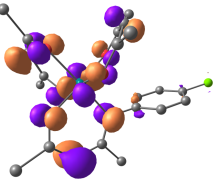
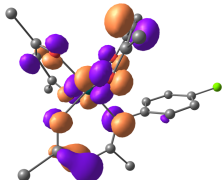
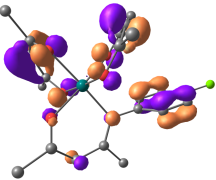
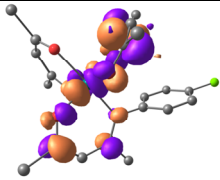
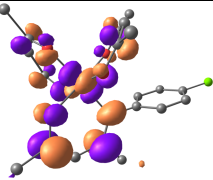
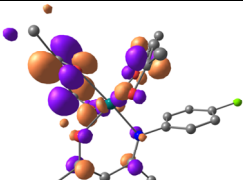
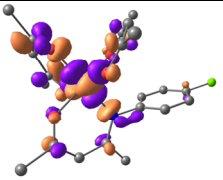
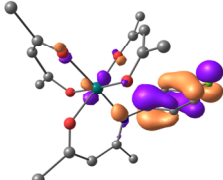
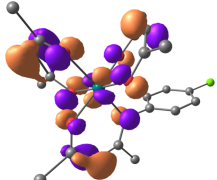
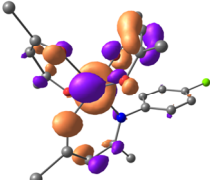
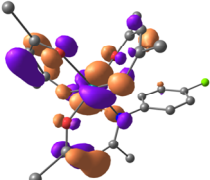
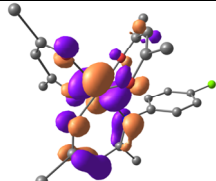
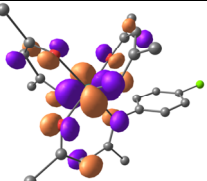
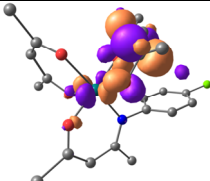
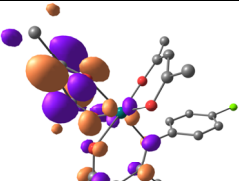
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LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3
β -spin			
			
HOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3

Table S17 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of **1b⁻** (*S*=0)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L ⁻	acac ⁻
HOMO-5	-2.238	14	13	73
HOMO-4	-2.181	11	10	79
HOMO-3	-1.829	5	68	27
HOMO-2	-0.344	72	10	18
HOMO-1	-0.156	70	10	19
HOMO	0.220	66	18	17
LUMO	3.143	1	93	6
LUMO+1	3.224	2	94	4
LUMO+2	3.282	4	12	84
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LUMO+5	4.321	70	12	18

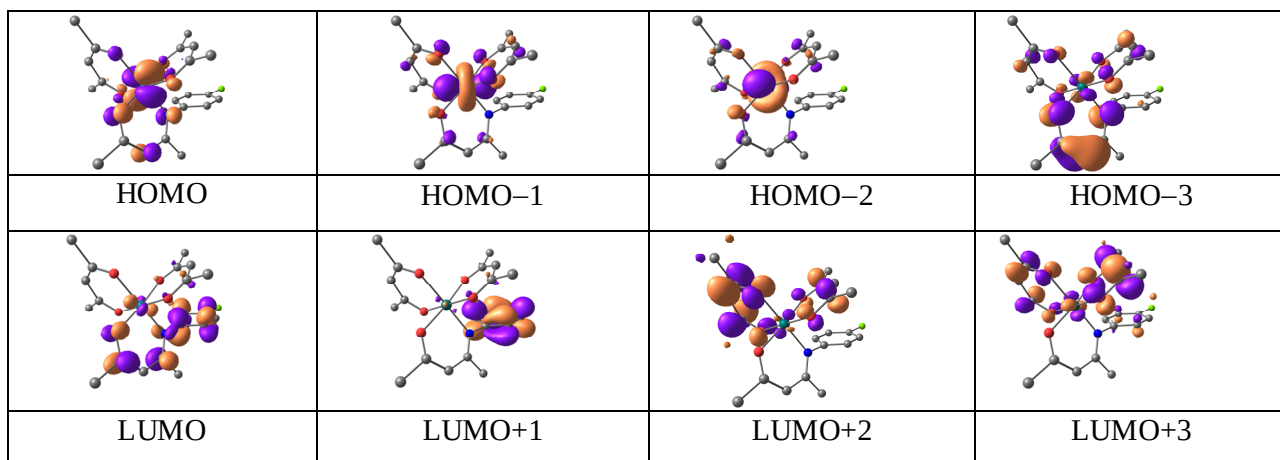


Table S18 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of **2** ($S=1/2$)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L [−]	acac [−]
<i>α</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.237	11	39	50
HOMO−4	−6.0143	16	28	56
HOMO−3	−6.046	19	18	63
HOMO−2	−5.793	50	40	11
HOMO−1	−5.176	32	17	50
SOMO	−4.428	32	8	60
LUMO	−1.039	3	8	88
LUMO+1	−0.742	14	70	16
LUMO+2	−0.497	11	23	66
LUMO+3	−0.313	26	42	32
LUMO+4	0.129	6	89	5
LUMO+5	0.318	34	43	24
<i>β</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.363	8	49	43
HOMO−4	−6.186	10	31	59
HOMO−3	−6.041	15	37	49
HOMO−2	−5.904	19	20	60
HOMO−1	−5.631	51	40	9
SOMO	−5.084	38	19	43
LUMO	−2.488	32	62	7
LUMO+1	−1.024	3	7	91
LUMO+2	−0.561	9	23	68
LUMO+3	−0.336	21	65	14
LUMO+4	−0.192	22	54	55

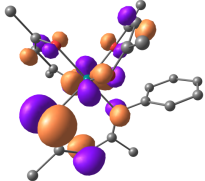
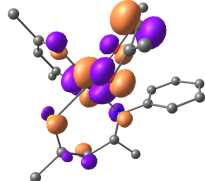
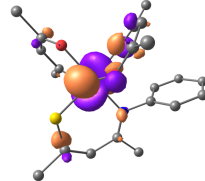
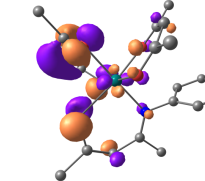
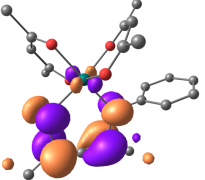
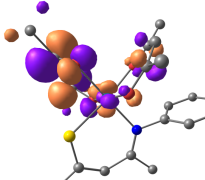
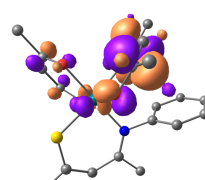
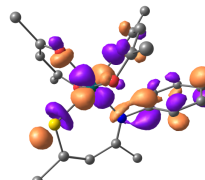
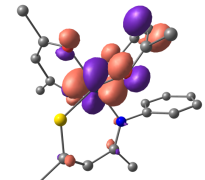
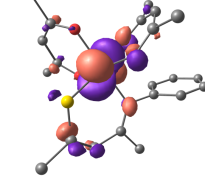
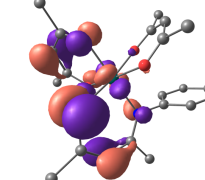
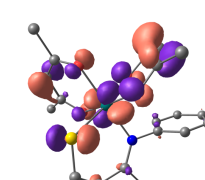
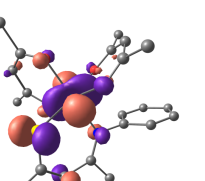
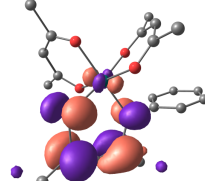
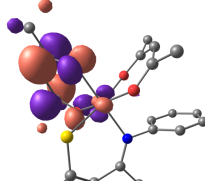
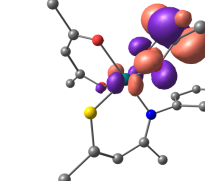
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LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3
β -spin			
			
SOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3

Table S19 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of 2^+ ($S=1$)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L [−]	acac [−]
α-spin				
HOMO−5	−10.339	7	30	63
HOMO−4	−10.070	43	42	15
HOMO−3	−9.676	2	21	77
HOMO−2	−9.608	4	71	25
HOMO−1	−9.469	3	88	9
HOMO	−8.498	29	62	9
LUMO	−4.821	35	24	41
LUMO+1	−4.549	20	32	48
LUMO+2	−4.455	9	34	57
LUMO+3	−.405	7	28	65
LUMO+4	−3.397	36	45	19
LUMO+5	−2.860	2	95	3
β-spin				
HOMO−5	−10.074	17	48	35
HOMO−4	−9.827	21	38	41
HOMO−3	−9.715	41	49	11
HOMO−2	−9.614	6	64	29
HOMO−1	−9.508	7	25	68
HOMO	−9.421	8	75	17
LUMO	−7.761	45	19	36
LUMO+1	−6.418	30	63	7
LUMO+2	−4.580	25	16	59
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LUMO+4	−4.060	15	75	10
LUMO+5	−3.234	33	49	18

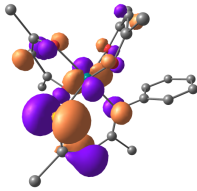
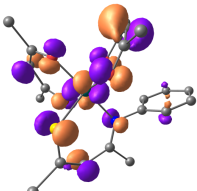
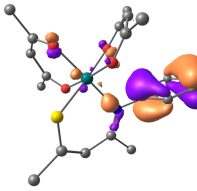
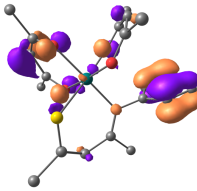
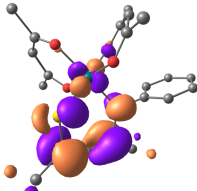
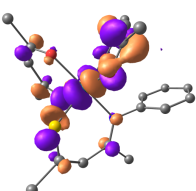
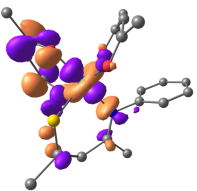
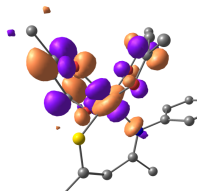
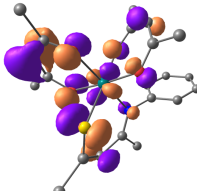
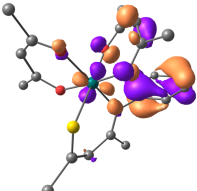
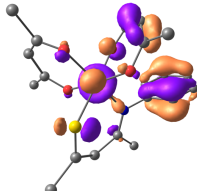
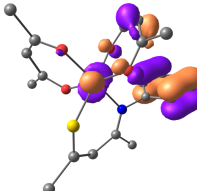
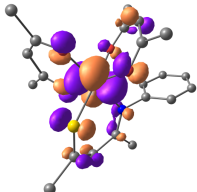
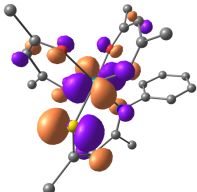
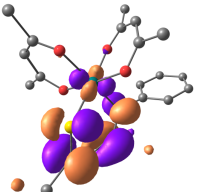
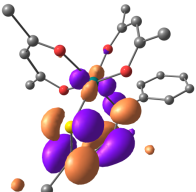
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LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3
β -spin			
			
HOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3

Table S20 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of 2^- ($S=0$)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L^-	$acac^-$
HOMO-5	-2.714	12	17	71
HOMO-4	-2.438	8	14	78
HOMO-3	-2.208	18	58	24
HOMO-2	-1.370	55	36	9
HOMO-1	-1.086	51	31	18
HOMO	0.314	31	63	7
LUMO	2.368	3	5	92
LUMO+1	2.763	4	5	91
LUMO+2	3.048	11	84	5
LUMO+3	3.190	2	92	5
LUMO+4	3.675	31	58	11
LUMO+5	4.080	61	11	28

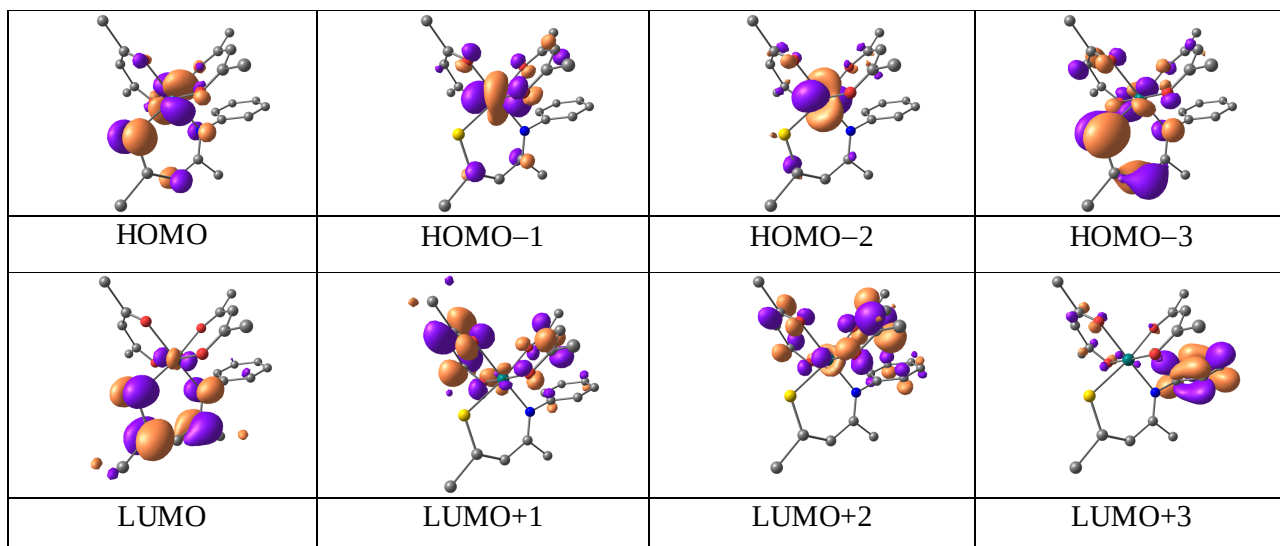


Table S21 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of **3b** ($S=1/2$)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L [−]	acac [−]
<i>α</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.308	13	71	17
HOMO−4	−6.078	11	26	63
HOMO−3	−5.938	25	21	54
HOMO−2	−5.303	67	17	16
HOMO−1	−4.958	50	7	43
SOMO	−4.593	43	44	13
LUMO	−0.792	3	40	57
LUMO+1	−0.659	8	57	34
LUMO+2	−0.275	4	14	82
LUMO+3	−0.110	1	94	5
LUMO+4	− 0.054	10	73	17
LUMO+5	0.803	50	19	32
<i>β</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−6.275	7	79	14
HOMO−4	−6.233	15	23	62
HOMO−3	−5.880	25	22	53
HOMO−2	−5.777	10	49	41
HOMO−1	−5.022	67	17	15
SOMO	−4.743	58	9	33
LUMO	−1.986	53	34	13
LUMO+1	−0.762	3	22	75
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LUMO+3	−0.220	6	18	76
LUMO+4	−0.105	1	96	4

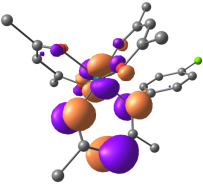
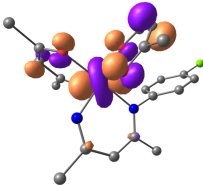
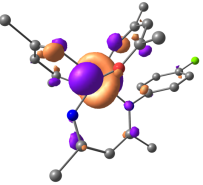
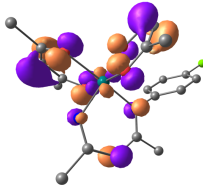
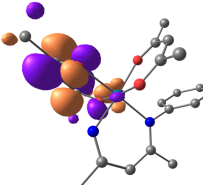
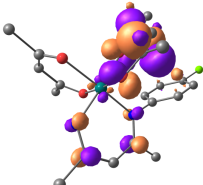
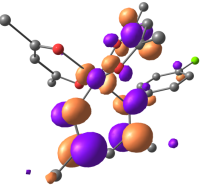
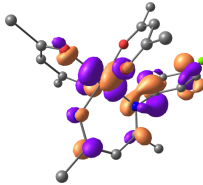
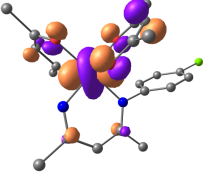
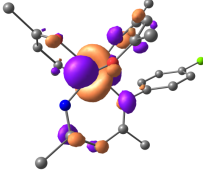
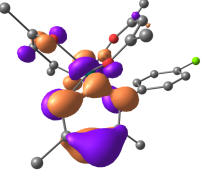
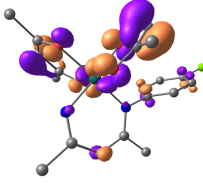
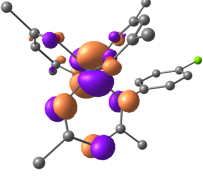
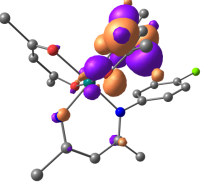
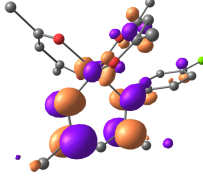
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LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3
β -spin			
			
SOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3

Table S22 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of **3b⁺** (S=1)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L [−]	acac [−]
<i>α</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−10.205	7	77	16
HOMO−4	−10.068	59	23	19
HOMO−3	−9.815	4	20	76
HOMO−2	−9.542	12	15	72
HOMO−1	−9.371	3	91	5
HOMO	−8.962	32	50	18
LUMO	−4.713	4	93	3
LUMO+1	−4.548	27	12	61
LUMO+2	−4.260	17	9	74
LUMO+3	−4.130	18	7	75
LUMO+4	−3.378	32	48	20
LUMO+5	−3.234	1	96	3
<i>β</i> -spin				
HOMO−5	−10.242	39	30	31
HOMO−4	−10.186	3	79	17
HOMO−3	−9.825	42	35	23
HOMO−2	−9.604	5	25	70
HOMO−1	−9.363	40	25	34
SOMO	−9.308	3	79	18
LUMO	−7.351	61	11	28
LUMO+1	−6.480	50	38	12
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LUMO+3	−4.344	12	53	34
LUMO+4	−4.108	7	6	87

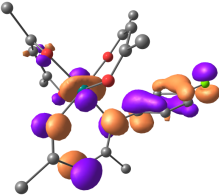
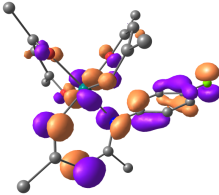
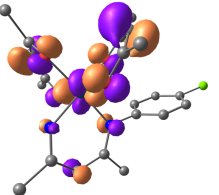
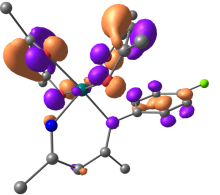
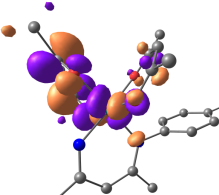
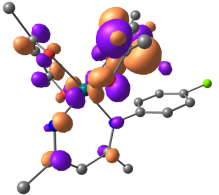
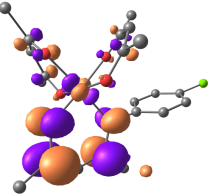
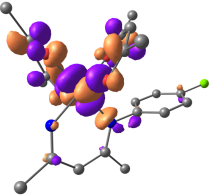
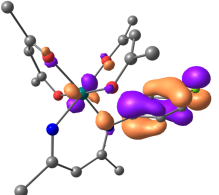
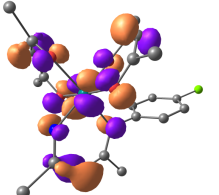
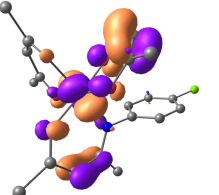
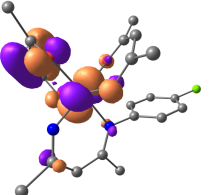
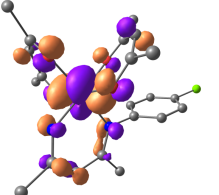
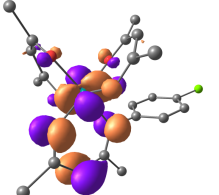
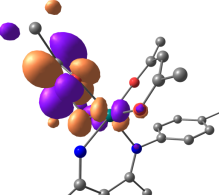
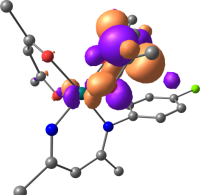
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β -spin			
			
SOMO	HOMO-1	HOMO-2	HOMO-3
			
LUMO	LUMO+1	LUMO+2	LUMO+3

Table S23 Composition and energies of selected molecular orbitals of **3b⁻** (S=0)

MO	energy (eV)	% composition		
		Ru	L ⁻	acac ⁻
HOMO-5	-2.493	11	14	75
HOMO-4	-2.162	12	8	81
HOMO-3	-1.921	14	59	27
HOMO-2	-0.542	69	15	15
HOMO-1	-0.362	69	12	19
HOMO	0.559	53	34	13
LUMO	2.954	2	64	34
LUMO+1	2.976	3	50	48
LUMO+2	3.137	6	79	14
LUMO+3	3.389	8	12	80
LUMO+4	3.585	16	74	10
LUMO+5	3.890	31	62	7

