

Supporting Information for

Variable Oxidation State Sulfur-Bridged Bithiazole Ligands Tune the Electronic Properties of Ruthenium(II) and Copper(I) Complexes

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NMR SPECTRA

Ruthenium(II) Complexes

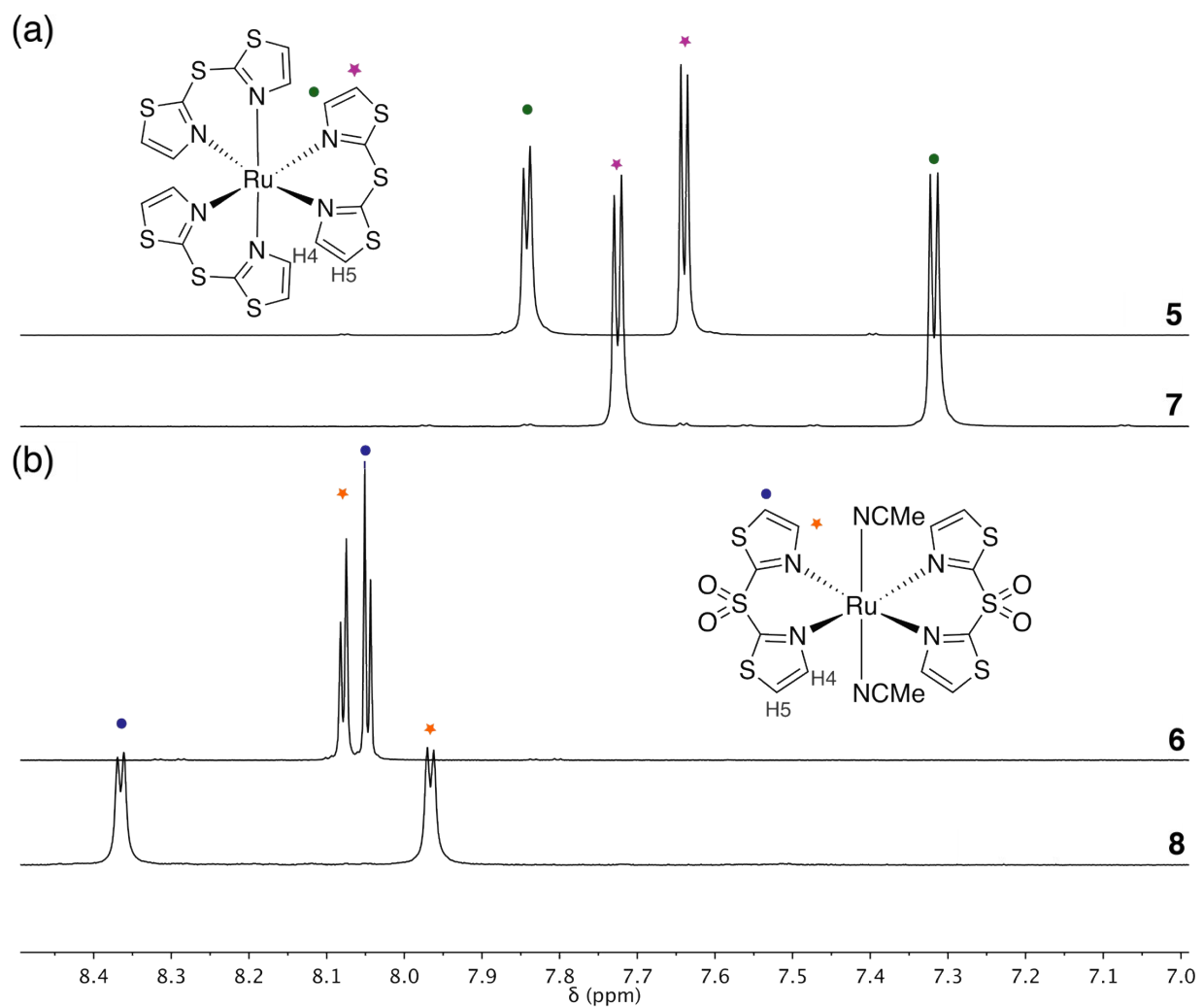


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectra of pro-ligands and their respective complexes in CD_3CN at 298 K (400 MHz). (a) tzS (**5**) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{tzS})_3][\text{PF}_6]_2$ (**7**); (b) tzSO_2 (**6**) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{tzSO}_2)_2(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_2]^{2+}$ (**8**).

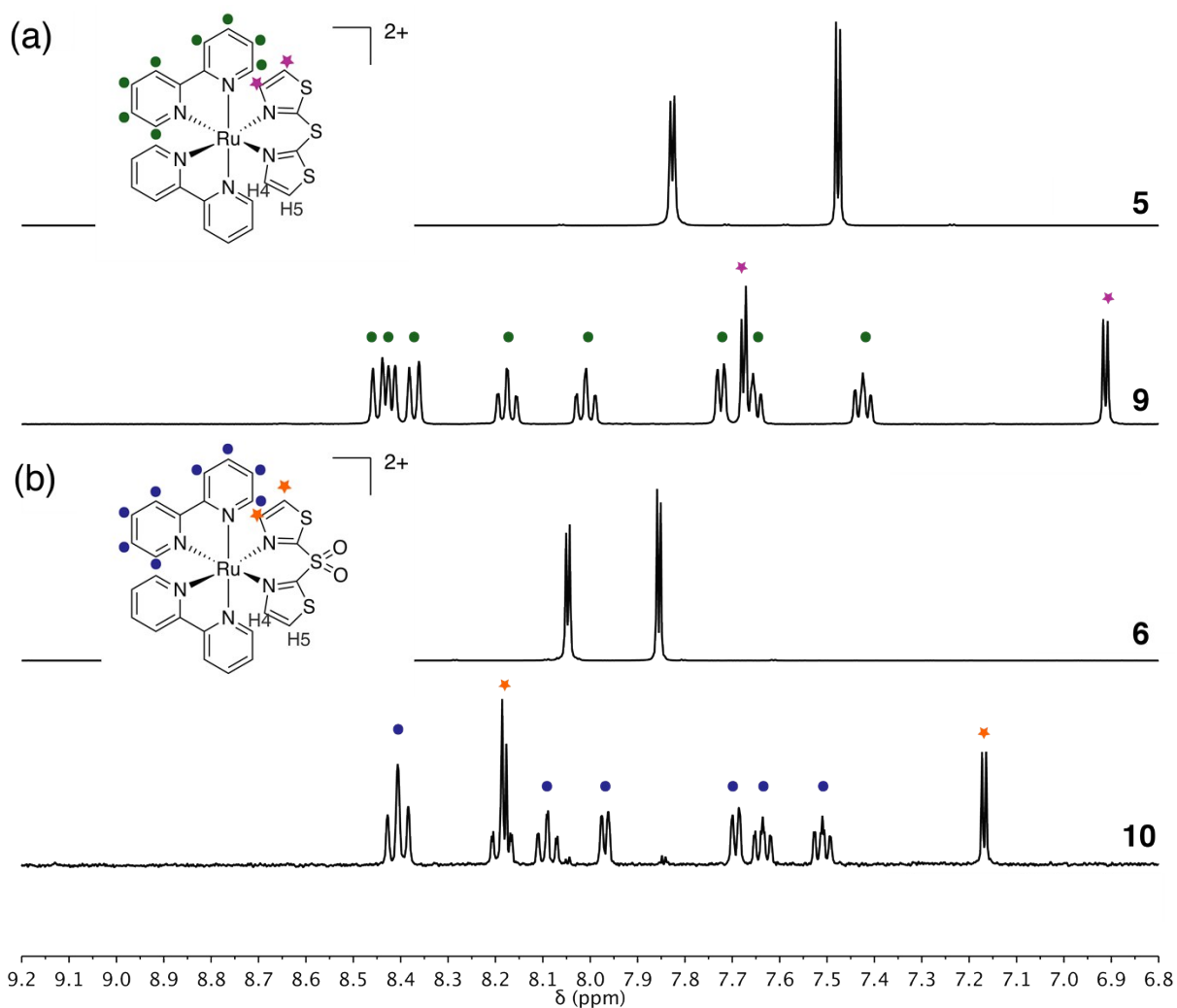


Figure S2. ^1H NMR spectra of pro-ligands and their respective complexes in CD_2Cl_2 at 298 K (400 MHz). (a) tzS (**5**) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzS})]^{2+}$ (**9**); (b) tzSO₂ (**6**) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (**10**).

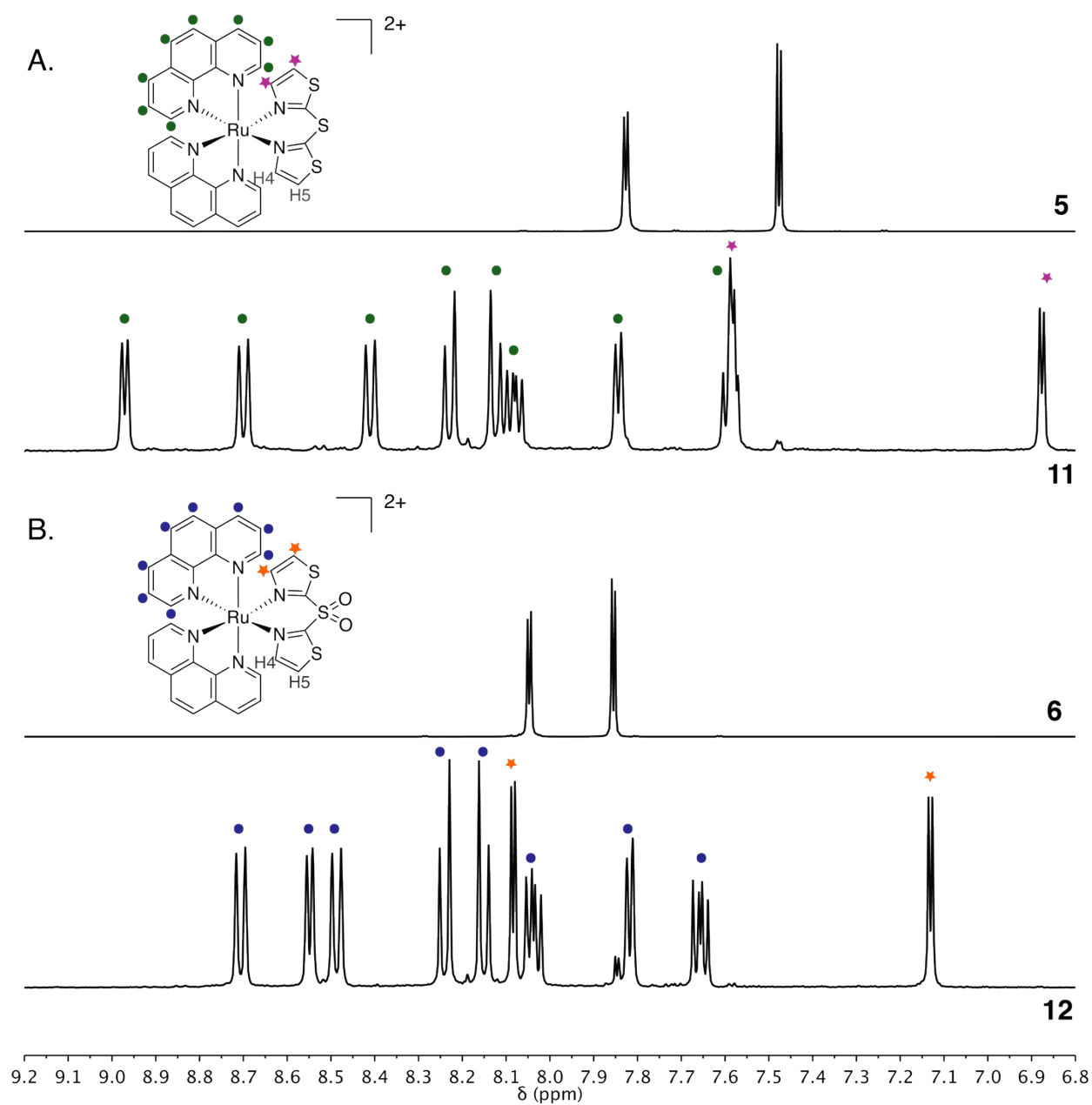


Figure S3. ^1H NMR spectra of pro-ligands and their respective complexes in CD_2Cl_2 at 298 K (400 MHz). (a) tzS (**5**) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzS})]^{2+}$ (**11**); (b) tzSO_2 (**6**) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (**12**).

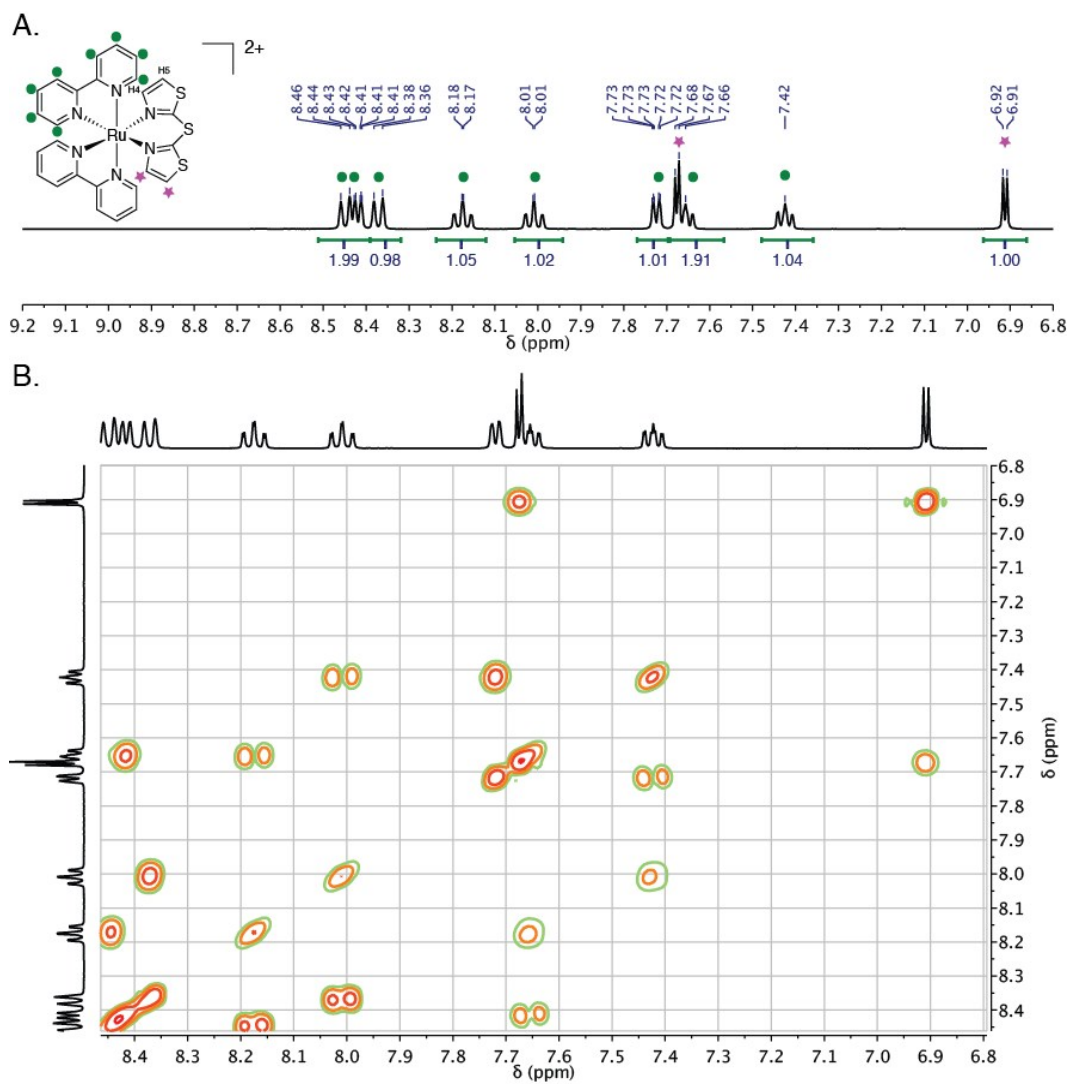


Figure S4. (a) ^1H and (b) COSY NMR spectra of $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzS})]^{2+}$ (**9**) in CD_2Cl_2 at 298 K (400 MHz).

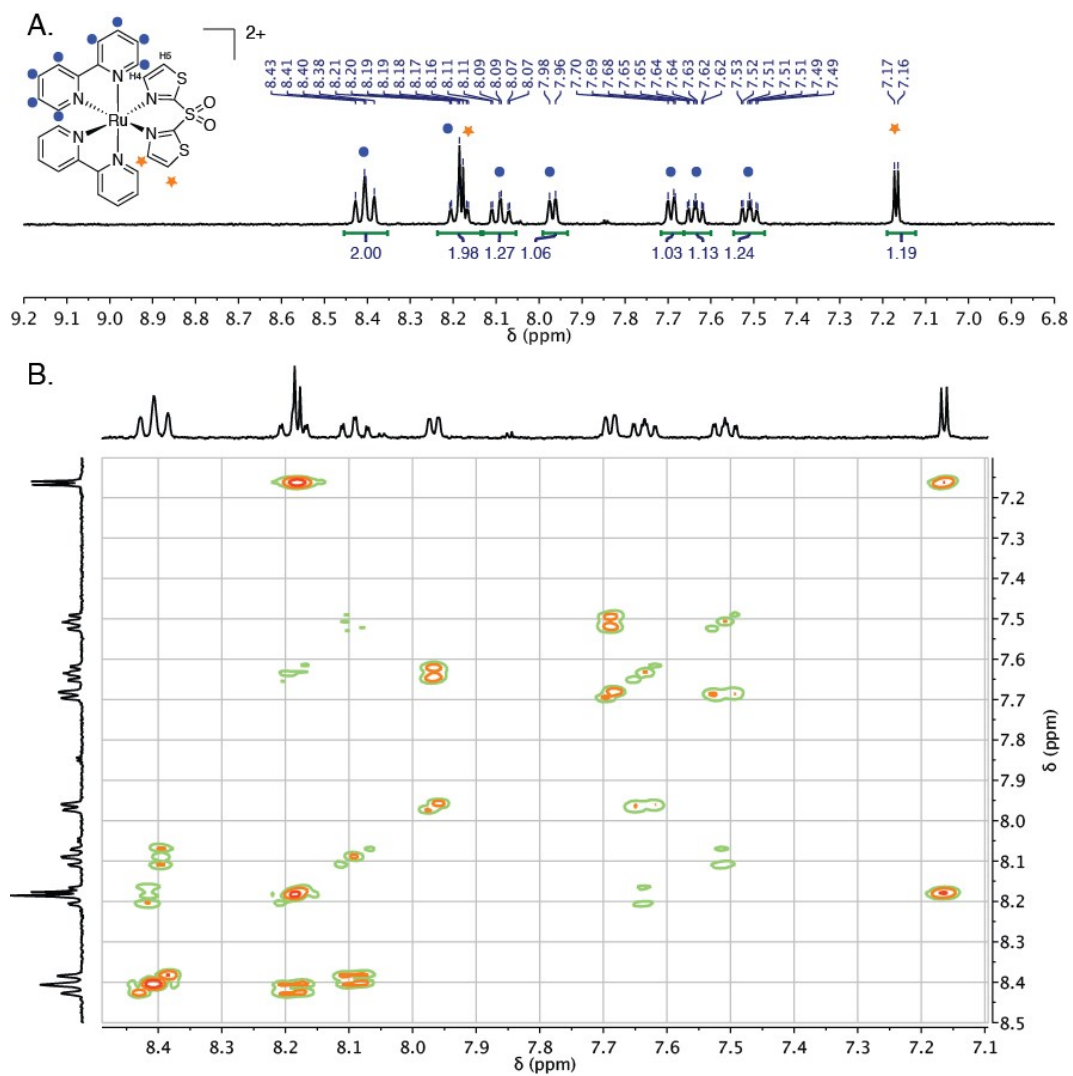


Figure S5. (a) ^1H and (b) COSY NMR spectra of $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (**10**) in CD_2Cl_2 at 298 K (400 MHz).

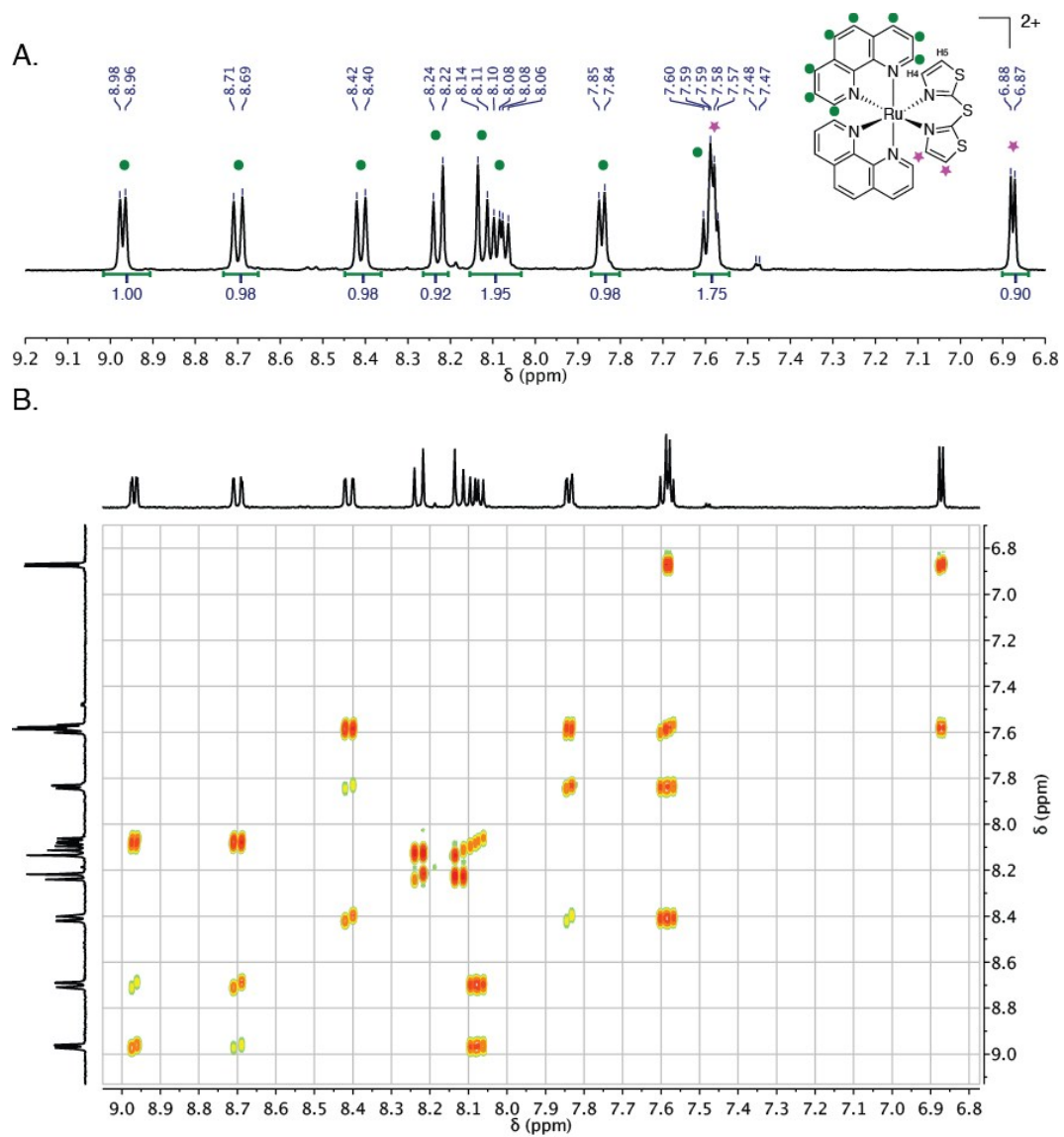


Figure S6. (a) ^1H and (b) COSY NMR spectra of $[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzS})]^{2+}$ (**11**) in CD_2Cl_2 at 298 K (400 MHz).

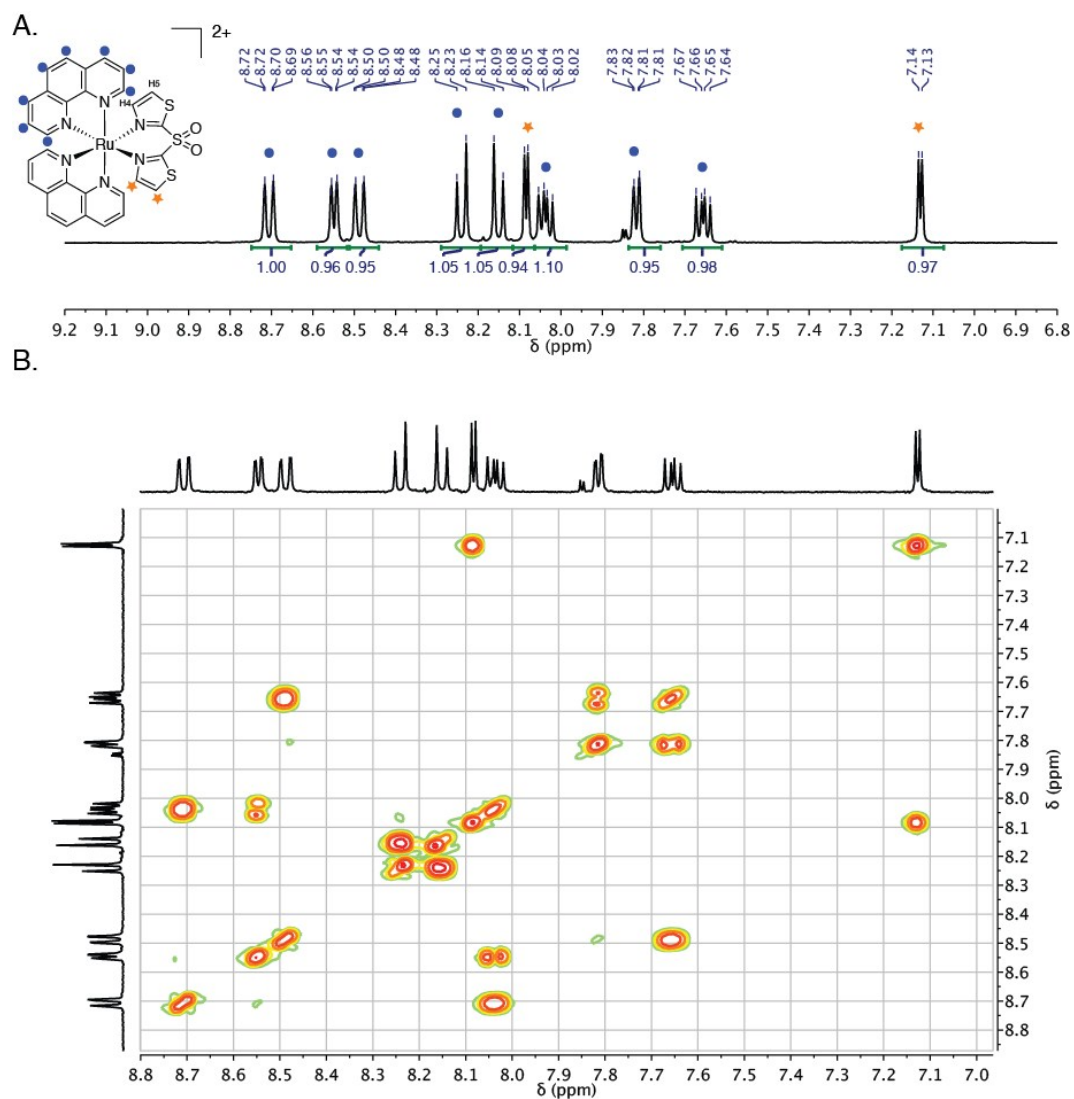


Figure S7. (a) ^1H and (b) COSY NMR spectra of $[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (**12**) in CD_2Cl_2 at 298 K (400 MHz).

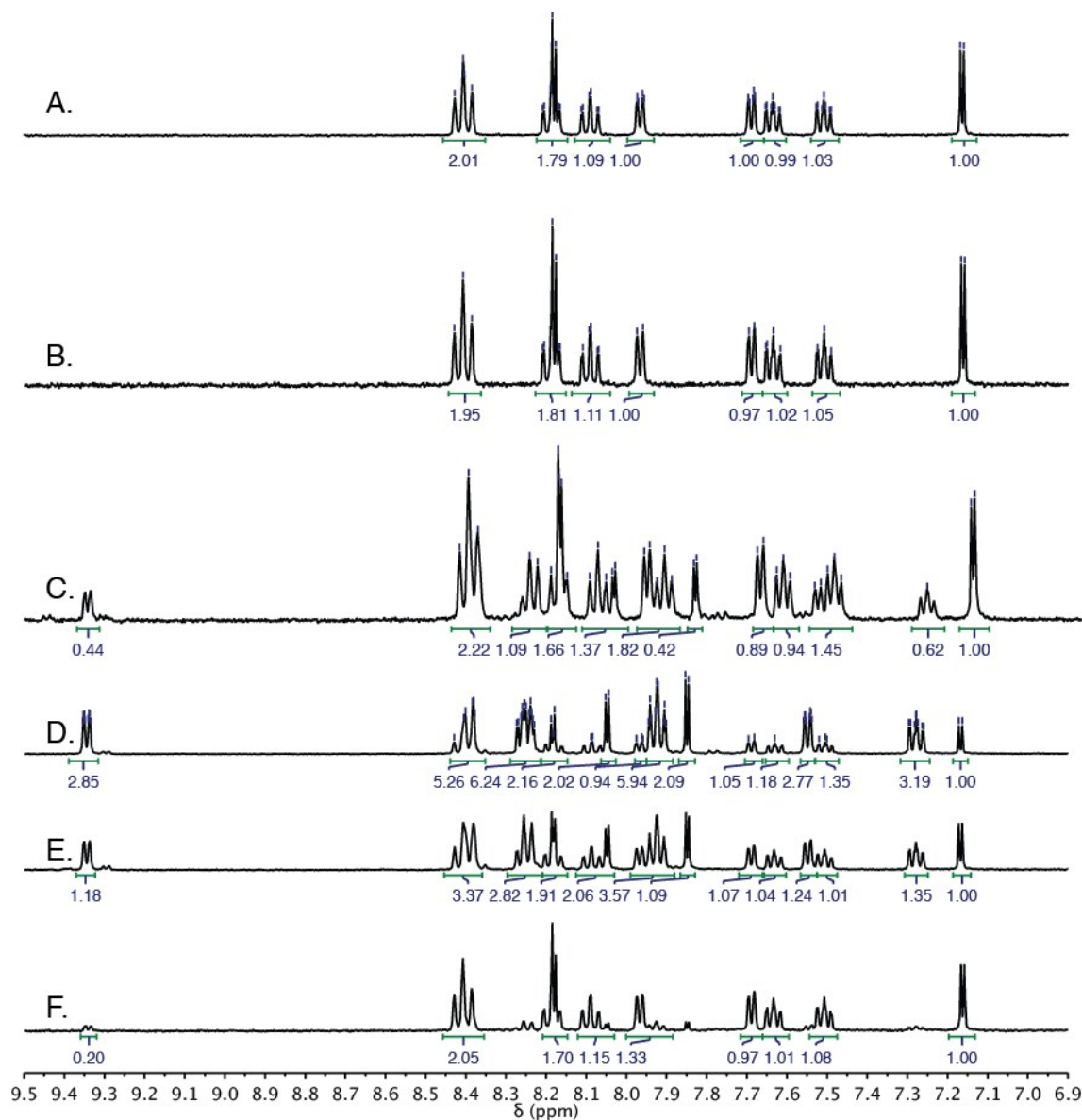


Figure S8. ^1H NMR photoejection experiments of $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (**10**) at 298 K (400 MHz).

(a) CD_2Cl_2 ; (b) CD_2Cl_2 + 10 equiv. of CH_3CN in the dark ($t = 0$ min); (c) CD_2Cl_2 + 10 equiv. of CH_3CN in the dark ($t = 20$ min); (d) CD_2Cl_2 + 10 equiv. of CH_3CN in the sunlight ($t = 2$ min); (e) CD_2Cl_2 + 10 equiv. of CH_3CN under UV light ($t = 15$ min); (f) CD_2Cl_2 + 10 equiv. of CH_3CN under visible light ($t = 15$ min). * t = time after addition of CH_3CN .

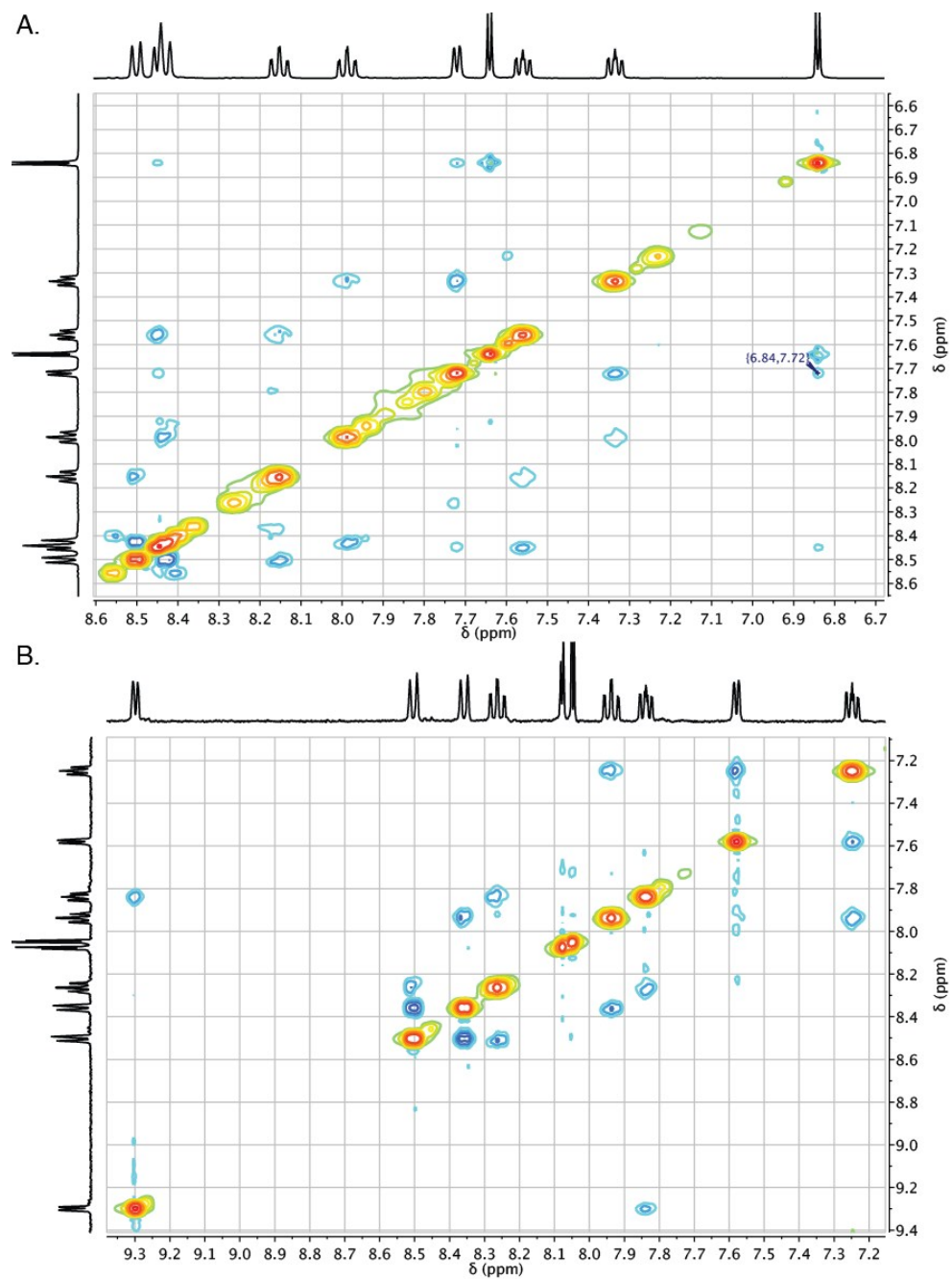


Figure S9. NOESY NMR spectra of (a) $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzS})]^{2+}$ (**9**) and (b) $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (**10**) in CD_3CN at 298 K (400 MHz).

Copper(I) Complexes

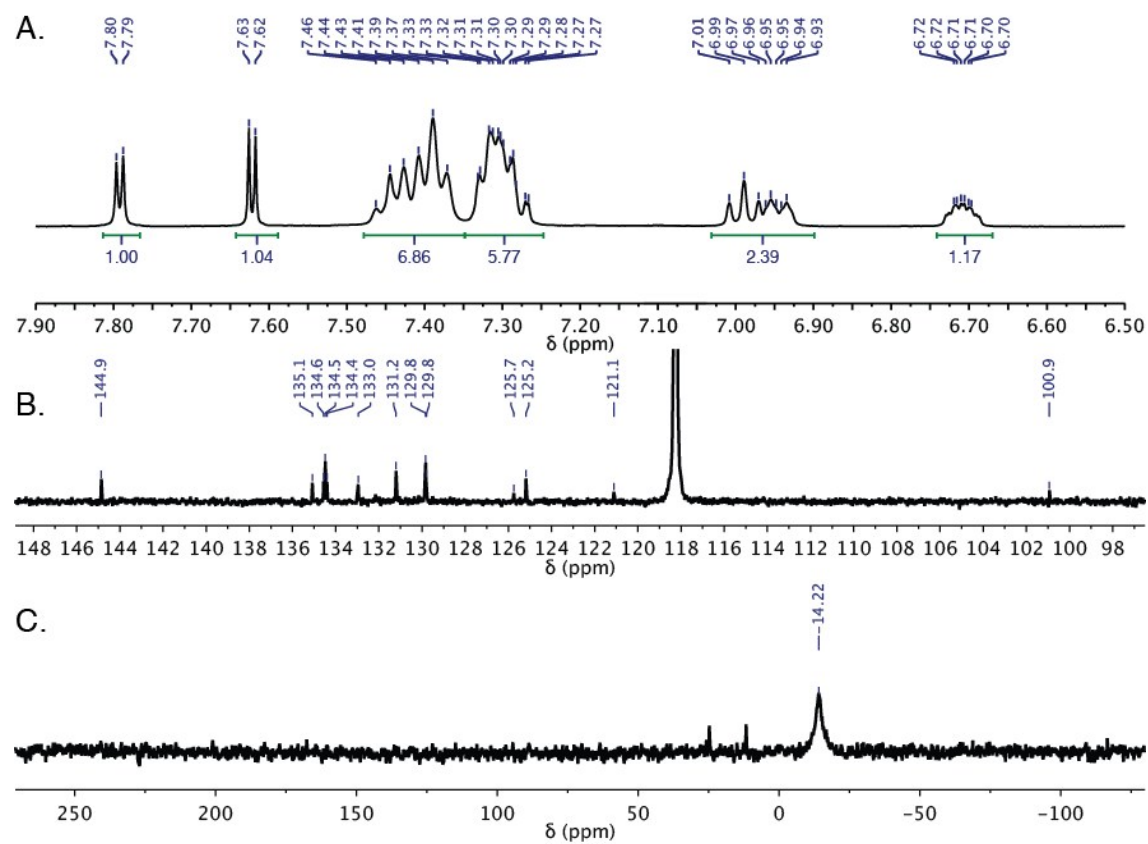


Figure S10. (a) ^1H ; (b) $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$; and (c) $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra of $[\text{Cu}(\text{POP})(\text{tzS})]^+$ (**13**) performed in CD_3CN at 298 K (400 MHz).

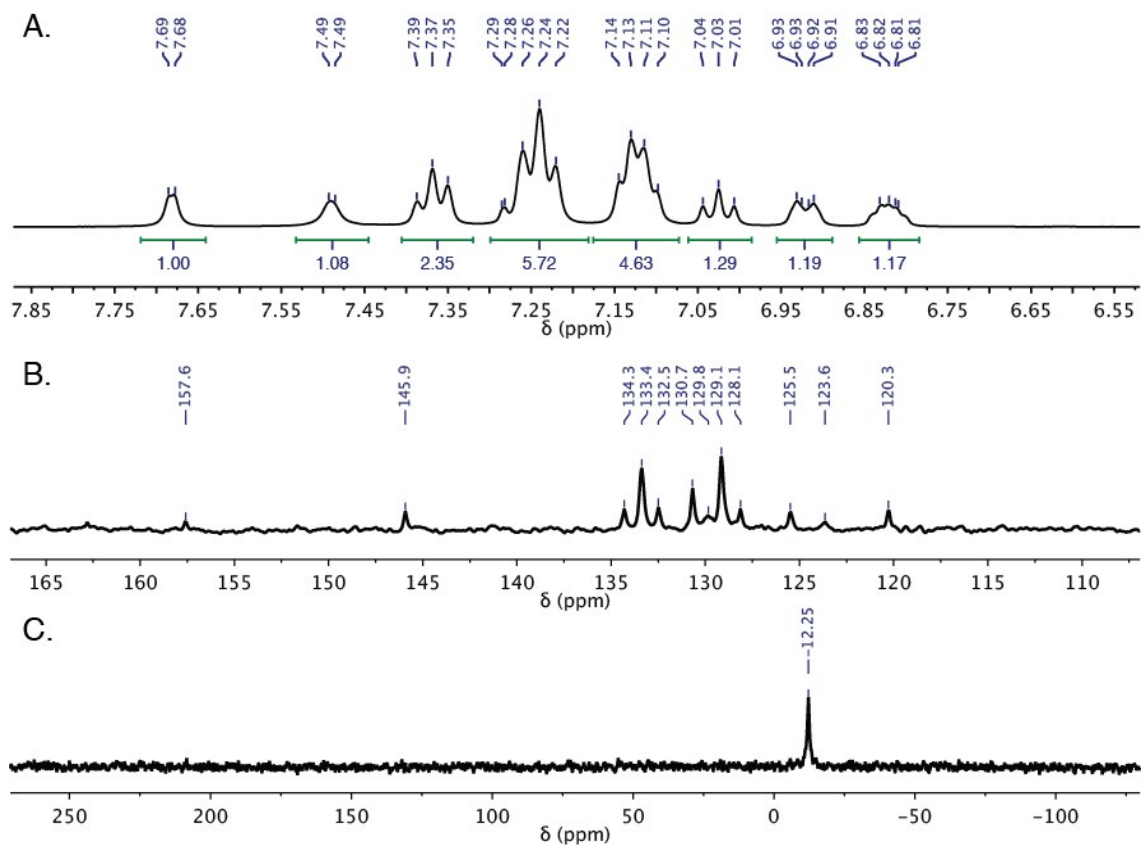


Figure S11. (a) ^1H ; (b) $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$; and (c) $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra of $[\text{Cu}(\text{POP})(\text{tzSO}_2)]^+$ (**14**) in CD_2Cl_2 at 298 K (400 MHz).

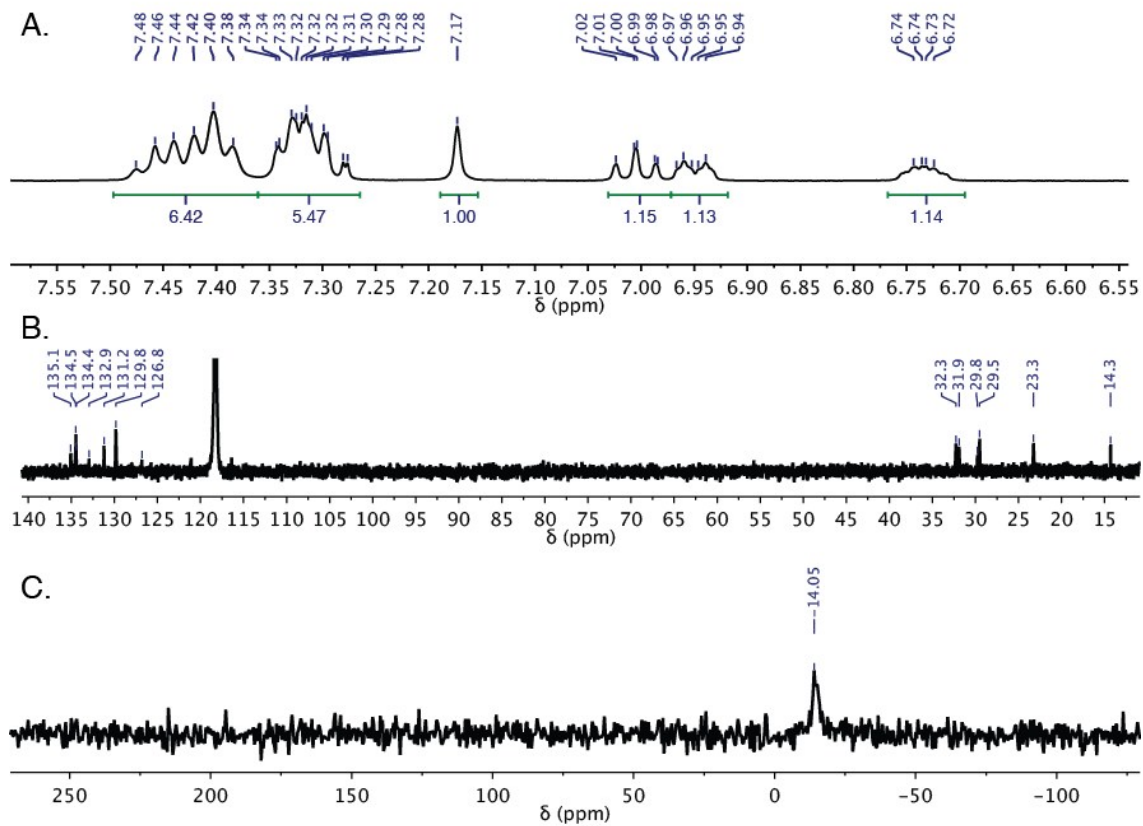


Figure S12. (a) ^1H ; (b) $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$; and (c) $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra of $[(\text{POP})\text{Cu}(\text{hbtz})\text{Cu}(\text{POP})]^{2+}$ (**15**) in CD_3CN at 298 K (400 MHz).

X-RAY CRYSTALLOGRAPHY

Table S1. Selected crystal data and structure refinement for compounds **5–9**.

	tzS	tzSO ₂	[Ru(tzS) ₃][PF ₆] ₂	[Ru(tzSO ₂) ₂ (MeCN) ₂][PF ₆]	[Ru(bpy) ₂ (tzS)][PF ₆] ₂
	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Empirical formula	C ₆ H ₄ N ₂ S ₃	C ₆ H ₄ N ₂ O ₂ S ₃	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ Cl ₄ F ₁₂ N ₆ P ₂ RuS ₉	C ₁₆ H ₁₄ F ₁₂ N ₆ O ₄ P ₂ RuS ₆	C ₂₆ H ₂₀ F ₁₂ N ₆ P ₂ RuS ₃
Formula weight	200.29	232.29	1161.74	937.70	903.67
Temperature/K	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic	orthorhombic	triclinic
Space group	Cc	P2 ₁ /n	P2 ₁ /c	Pbca	P-1
a/Å	5.1947(7)	5.6977(6)	20.740(2)	15.7488(10)	9.9194(10)
b/Å	13.717(2)	21.813(2)	11.2518(11)	10.2530(6)	12.2967(12)
c/Å	10.9339(16)	7.5732(11)	19.1696(19)	18.1104(11)	15.4919(16)
α/°	90	90	90	90	83.535(3)
β/°	93.100(5)	111.635(5)	110.755(5)	90	78.175(2)
γ/°	90	90	90	90	71.471(2)
Volume/Å ³	778.0(2)	874.93(19)	4183.1(7)	2924.3(3)	1751.4(3)
Z	4	4	4	4	2
ρ _{calc} /g/cm ³	1.710	1.763	1.845	2.130	1.714
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.878	0.810	1.237	1.191	0.811
F(000)	408.0	472.0	2288.0	1848.0	896.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.499 × 0.401 × 0.201	0.466 × 0.01 0.301 × 0.01	0.12 × 0.117 × 0.101	0.333 × 0.304 × 0.09	0.123 × 0.101 × 0.09
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	5.94 to 56.66	6.082 to 56.458	4.186 to 52.926	4.498 to 56.65	3.498 to 56.64
Index ranges	-6 ≤ h ≤ 6, -18 ≤ k ≤ 17, -14 ≤ l ≤ 14	-7 ≤ h ≤ 7, -26 ≤ k ≤ 28, -10 ≤ l ≤ 10	-26 ≤ h ≤ 25, -14 ≤ k ≤ 9, -23 ≤ l ≤ 23	-21 ≤ h ≤ 16, -13 ≤ k ≤ 12, -24 ≤ l ≤ 24	-13 ≤ h ≤ 13, -16 ≤ k ≤ 16, -11 ≤ l ≤ 20

Reflections	6801	8655	20380	15144	30867
collected					
Independent reflections	1822 [R _{int} = 0.1098, R _{sigma} = 0.0523]	2147 [R _{int} = 0.0163, R _{sigma} = 0.0131]	8468 [R _{int} = 0.0402, R _{sigma} = 0.0648]	3639 [R _{int} = 0.0424, R _{sigma} = 0.0273]	8537 [R _{int} = 0.0240, R _{sigma} = 0.0273]
Data/restraints/parameters	1822/2/100	2147/0/118	8468/0/487	3639/0/215	8537/0/451
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.056	1.085	1.020	1.041	1.031
Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0344, wR ₂ = 0.0878	R ₁ = 0.0214, wR ₂ = 0.0565	R ₁ = 0.0667, wR ₂ = 0.1639	R ₁ = 0.0228, wR ₂ = 0.0602	R ₁ = 0.0357, wR ₂ = 0.0865
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0344, wR ₂ = 0.0879	R ₁ = 0.0218, wR ₂ = 0.0567	R ₁ = 0.0907, wR ₂ = 0.1772	R ₁ = 0.0271, wR ₂ = 0.0620	R ₁ = 0.0443, wR ₂ = 0.0910
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.75/-0.46	0.42/-0.41	2.02/-1.17	0.94/-1.04	1.19/-0.77
Flack parameter	-0.08(12)				

Table S2. Selected crystal data and structure refinement for compounds **12–15**.

	[Ru(phen) ₂ (tzSO ₂)][PF ₆] ₂ (12)	[Cu(POP)tzS][BF ₄] ₂ (13)	[Cu(POP)tzSO ₂][BF ₄] (14)	[Cu(POP)(hbtz)][BF ₄] (15)
Empirical formula	C ₃₀ H ₂₀ F ₁₂ N ₆ O ₂ P ₂ RuS	C _{43.49} H _{35.63} BCl _{0.34} CuF ₄ N ₂	C ₄₃ H ₃₄ BCl ₂ CuF ₄ N ₂	C _{98.02} H _{104.06} B _{2.04} Cu ₂ F _{8.16}
	3	O _{1.33} P ₂ S ₃	O ₃ P ₂ S ₃	N ₂ O ₄ P ₄ S ₂
Formula weight	983.71	928.05	1006.09	1866.30
Temperature/K	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)
Crystal system	orthorhombic	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic
Space group	Pbca	P2 ₁ /n	P2 ₁ /n	P-1
a/Å	12.8317(8)	13.0385(9)	13.2844(6)	12.6003(14)
b/Å	15.2760(10)	44.590(3)	12.9331(6)	13.8878(15)
c/Å	36.552(2)	14.4382(8)	25.3545(11)	15.3231(16)
α/°	90	90	90	72.305(4)
β/°	90	94.266(2)	93.727(2)	71.948(4)
γ/°	90	90	90	66.698(4)
Volume/Å ³	7164.9(8)	8370.9(9)	4346.9(3)	2290.4(4)
Z	8	8	4	1
ρ _{calc} /g/cm ³	1.824	1.473	1.537	1.353
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.805	0.826	0.903	0.649
F(000)	3904.0	3800.0	2048.0	972.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.123 × 0.101 × 0.05	0.384 × 0.111 × 0.02	0.409 × 0.208 × 0.105	0.306 × 0.257 × 0.234
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	3.878 to 53.094	1.826 to 52.756	3.22 to 55.998	3.866 to 56.696
Index ranges	-16 ≤ h ≤ 16, -13 ≤ k ≤ 19, -45 ≤ l ≤ 41	-16 ≤ h ≤ 16, -47 ≤ k ≤ 55, -11 ≤ l ≤ 18	-14 ≤ h ≤ 13, -14 ≤ k ≤ 11, -25 ≤ l ≤ 28	-15 ≤ h ≤ 16, -18 ≤ k ≤ 17, -20 ≤ l ≤ 20
Reflections collected	31751	68044	30265	30305

Independent reflections	7421 [R _{int} = 0.0390, R _{sigma} = 0.0413]	17006 [R _{int} = 0.0315, R _{sigma} = 0.0320]	10029 [R _{int} = 0.0215, R _{sigma} = 0.0212]	11409 [R _{int} = 0.0201, R _{sigma} = 0.0261]
Data/restraints/parameters	7421/609/542	17006/3/1121	10029/52/560	11409/794/696
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.098	1.057	1.046	1.058
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ(I)]	R ₁ = 0.0709, wR ₂ = 0.1720	R ₁ = 0.0352, wR ₂ = 0.0846	R ₁ = 0.0278, wR ₂ = 0.0701	R ₁ = 0.0388, wR ₂ = 0.1049
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0824, wR ₂ = 0.1786	R ₁ = 0.0442, wR ₂ = 0.0886	R ₁ = 0.0306, wR ₂ = 0.0716	R ₁ = 0.0463, wR ₂ = 0.1110
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	3.53/-1.23	0.66/-0.73	0.66/-0.50	0.62/-0.72

Table S3. Selected bond angles for pro-ligands tzS (**5**) and tzSO₂ (**6**).

tzS (5)	Bond angle (°)	tzSO ₂ (6)	Bond angle (°)
C1-S1-C4	101.66(14)	C1-S1-C4	104.62(5)

Table S4. Selected bond lengths for compounds [Ru(tzS)₃][PF₆]₂ (**7**), [Ru(tzSO₂)₂(MeCN)₂][PF₆] (**8**), [Ru(bpy)₂(tzS)][PF₆]₂ (**9**) and [Ru(phen)₂(tzSO₂)][PF₆]₂ (**12**).

[Ru(tzS) ₃][PF ₆] ₂ (7)	Length (Å)	[Ru(tzSO ₂) ₂ (MeCN) ₂][PF ₆] (8)	Length (Å)
Ru1-N1	2.087(5)	Ru1-N1	2.0766(14)
Ru1-N2	2.092(5)	Ru1-N1 ¹	2.0766(14)
Ru1-N3	2.078(5)	Ru1-N2	2.0811(14)
Ru1-N4	2.088(5)	Ru1-N2 ¹	2.0811(14)
Ru1-N5	2.099(5)	Ru1-N3	2.0206(14)
Ru1-N6	2.127(5)	Ru1-N3 ¹	2.0206(14)
S1-C3	1.754(6)	S1-C3	1.7575(17)
S1-C4	1.747(7)	S1-C4	1.7621(17)
S4-C9	1.756(7)		
S4-C10	1.748(8)		
S4-C9	1.756(7)		
S7-C15	1.755(7)		
S7-C16	1.750(7)		
[Ru(bpy) ₂ (tzS)][PF ₆] ₂ (9)	Length (Å)	[Ru(phen) ₂ (tzSO ₂)][PF ₆] ₂ (12)	Length (Å)
Ru1-N1	2.085(2)	Ru1-N1	2.104(5)
Ru1-N2	2.094(2)	Ru1-N2	2.105(5)
Ru1-N3	2.070(2)	Ru1-N3	2.053(5)
Ru1-N4	2.049(2)	Ru1-N4	2.082(5)
Ru1-N5	2.057(2)	Ru1-N5	2.064(5)
Ru1-N6	2.074(2)	Ru1-N6	2.070(5)
S1-C3	1.758(3)	S1-C3	1.765(6)
S1-C4	1.759(3)	S1-C4	1.753(6)

Table S5. Selected bond angles for compounds [Ru(tzS)₃][PF₆]₂ (**7**), [Ru(tzSO₂)₂(MeCN)₂][PF₆] (**8**), [Ru(bpy)₂(tzS)][PF₆]₂ (**9**) and [Ru(phen)₂(tzSO₂)][PF₆]₂ (**12**).

[Ru(tzS) ₃][PF ₆] ₂ (7)	Angle (°)	[Ru(tzSO ₂) ₂ (MeCN) ₂][PF ₆] (8)	Angle (°)
N1-Ru1-N4	89.30(19)	N1-Ru1-N2	87.56(5)
N1-Ru1-N2	90.6(2)	N1-Ru1-N2 ¹	92.44(5)
N1-Ru1-N5	94.0(2)	N1 ¹ -Ru1-N2 ¹	87.56(5)
N1-Ru1-N6	88.4(2)	N1 ¹ -Ru1-N2	92.44(5)
N2-Ru1-N5	175.1(2)	N3 ¹ -Ru1-N2 ¹	86.41(5)
N2-Ru1-N6	90.5(2)	N3 ¹ -Ru1-N2	93.59(5)
N3-Ru1-N4	89.85(19)	N3-Ru1-N2	86.41(5)
N3-Ru1-N2	91.4(2)	N3-Ru1-N2 ¹	93.59(5)
N3-Ru1-N5	84.0(2)	N3 ¹ -Ru1-N1	90.91(5)
N3-Ru1-N1	177.8(2)	N3-Ru1-N1	89.09(5)
N3-Ru1-N6	92.5(2)	N3-Ru1-N1 ¹	90.91(5)
N5-Ru1-N6	91.6(2)	N3 ¹ -Ru1-N1 ¹	89.09(5)
C4-S1-C3	101.2(3)	C3-S1-C4	102.05(8)
C10-S4-C9	99.9(3)		
C16-S7-C15	105.1(3)		
[Ru(bpy) ₂ (tzS)][PF ₆] ₂ (9)	Angle (°)	[Ru(phen) ₂ (tzSO ₂)][PF ₆] ₂ (12)	Angle (°)
N1-Ru1-N2	88.41(8)	N1-Ru1-N2	90.75(18)
N3-Ru1-N1	93.31(9)	N3-Ru1-N6	91.47(19)
N3-Ru1-N2	85.03(8)	N3-Ru1-N5	90.08(19)
N4-Ru1-N2	93.68(8)	N3-Ru1-N2	88.60(18)
N4-Ru1-N3	79.64(9)	N3-Ru1-N4	79.71(19)
N4-Ru1-N5	88.22(8)	N4-Ru1-N1	99.93(19)
N4-Ru1-N6	94.84(8)	N4-Ru1-N2	90.11(18)
N5-Ru1-N1	90.16(8)	N5-Ru1-N1	90.61(19)
N5-Ru1-N3	98.77(8)	N5-Ru1-N6	80.13(19)
N5-Ru1-N6	78.78(8)	N5-Ru1-N4	95.29(19)

N6-Ru1-N1	92.09(8)	N6-Ru1-N1	88.94(18)
N6-Ru1-N2	97.55(8)	N6-Ru1-N2	94.18(18)
C3-S1-C4	99.15(12)	C4-S1-C3	103.3(3)

Table S6. Selected bond lengths for compounds [Cu(POP)tzS][BF₄]₂ (**13**), [Cu(POP)tzSO₂][BF₄] (**14**) and [Cu(POP)(hbtz)][BF₄] (**15**).

[Cu(POP)tzS][BF ₄] ₂ (13)	Length (Å)	[Cu(POP)tzSO ₂][BF ₄] (14)	Length (Å)
Cu1A-P1A	2.2555(6)	Cu1-N1	2.1229(18)
Cu1A-P2A	2.2418(6)	Cu1-N2	2.0867(18)
Cu1A-N1A	2.0489(18)	S1-O2	1.4297(16)
Cu1A-N2A	2.0548(18)	S1-O3	1.4367(16)
Cu1B-P1B	2.2531(6)	Cu1-P1	2.2352(6)
Cu1B-P2B	2.2827(6)	Cu1-P2	2.2741(6)
Cu1B-N1B	2.1007(17)	S1-C3	1.762(4)
Cu1B-N2B	2.0810(18)	S1-C4	1.761(4)
S1A-C3A	1.757(2)		
S1A-C4A	1.753(3)		
S1B-C3B	1.765(2)		
S1B-C4B	1.763(2)		

[Cu(POP)(hbtz)][BF ₄] (15)	Length (Å)
Cu1-N1	1.9764(16)
Cu1-P1	2.2343(5)
Cu1-P2	2.2247(5)

Table S7. Selected bond angles for compounds [Cu(POP)tzS][BF₄]₂ (**13**), [Cu(POP)tzSO₂][BF₄] (**14**) and [Cu(POP)(hbtz)][BF₄] (**15**).

[Cu(POP)tzS][BF ₄] ₂ (13)	Angle (°)	[Cu(POP)tzSO ₂][BF ₄] (14)	Angle (°)
P2A-Cu1A-P1A	114.43(2)	N1-Cu1-P1	127.88(9)
N1A-Cu1A-P1A	111.54(5)	N1-Cu1-P2	102.00(9)
N1A-Cu1A-P2A	111.47(5)	N2-Cu1-N1	93.50(12)
N1A-Cu1A-N2A	93.40(7)	N2-Cu1-P1	110.60(9)
N2A-Cu1A-P1A	112.70(5)	N2-Cu1-P2	108.60(9)
N2A-Cu1A-P2A	111.49(5)	P1-Cu1-P2	111.97(4)
C4A-S1A-C3A	102.98(11)	C4-S1-C3	101.17(18)
P1B-Cu1B-P2B	111.74(2)		
N1B-Cu1B-P1B	112.69(5)		
N1B-Cu1B-P2B	107.01(5)		
N2B-Cu1B-P1B	121.96(5)		
N2B-Cu1B-P2B	109.87(5)		
N2B-Cu1B-N1B	91.13(7)		
C4B-S1B-C3B	98.69(10)		
[Cu(POP)(hbtz)][BF ₄] (15)	Angle (°)		
P2-Cu1-P1	119.924(19)		
N1-Cu1-P1	118.33(5)		
N1-Cu1-P2	119.10(5)		

CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC DETAILS AND ORTEP DIAGRAMS

Pro-Ligands

tzS (**5**)

A colorless rectangular crystal of $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{N}_2\text{S}_3$, having approximate dimensions of $0.50 \times 0.40 \times 0.20$ mm was mounted on a nylon loop. The data were collected at a temperature of $-183.0 \pm 0.1^\circ\text{C}$ to a maximum 2θ value of 56.6° . Data were collected in a series of ϕ and ω scans in 0.5° oscillations using 10.0-second exposures. Of the 6801 reflections that were collected, 1822 were unique ($R_{\text{int}} = 0.11$); equivalent reflections were merged. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement on F^2 was based on 6801 reflections and 100 variable parameters and converged. All refinements were performed using the ShelXL⁶ via the OLEX2⁷ interface.

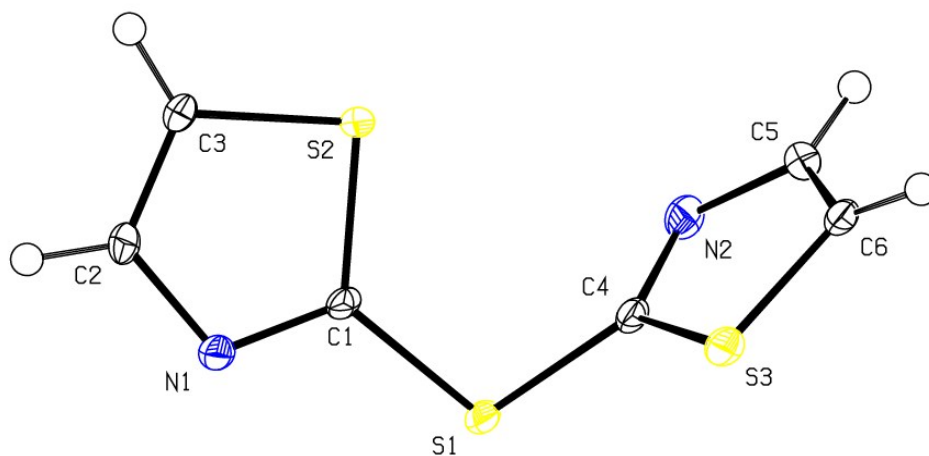


Figure S13. Asymmetric unit of **5** with thermal ellipsoids drawn are at 50 % probability level.

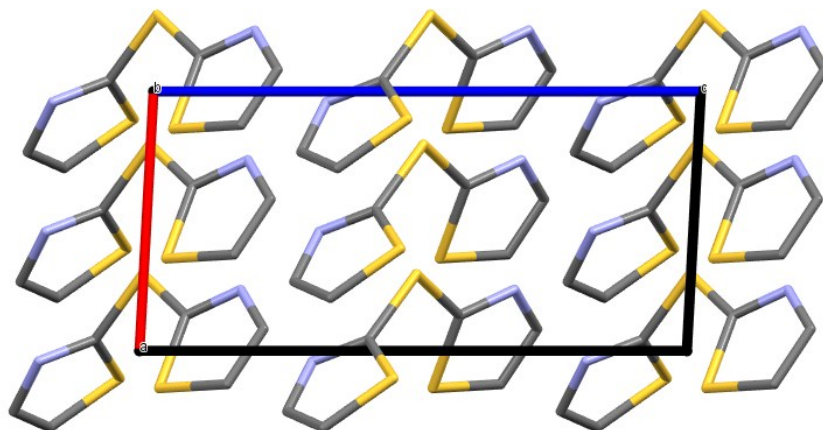


Figure S14. Packing diagram of **5** viewed along the b-axis. Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

tzSO₂ (**6**)

A colorless rectangular crystal of C₆H₄N₂O₂S₃, having approximate dimensions of 0.47 × 0.30 × 0.01 mm was mounted on a nylon loop. The data were collected at a temperature of -183.0 ± 0.1 °C to a maximum 2θ value of 56.5°. Data were collected in a series of φ and ω scans in 0.5° oscillations using 10.0-second exposures. Of the 8655 reflections that were collected, 2147 were unique (R_{int} = 0.016); equivalent reflections were merged. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement on F² was based on 8655 reflections and 118 variable parameters and converged. All refinements were performed using the ShelXL¹ via the OLEX2² interface. ORTEP diagrams were generated using PLATON³.

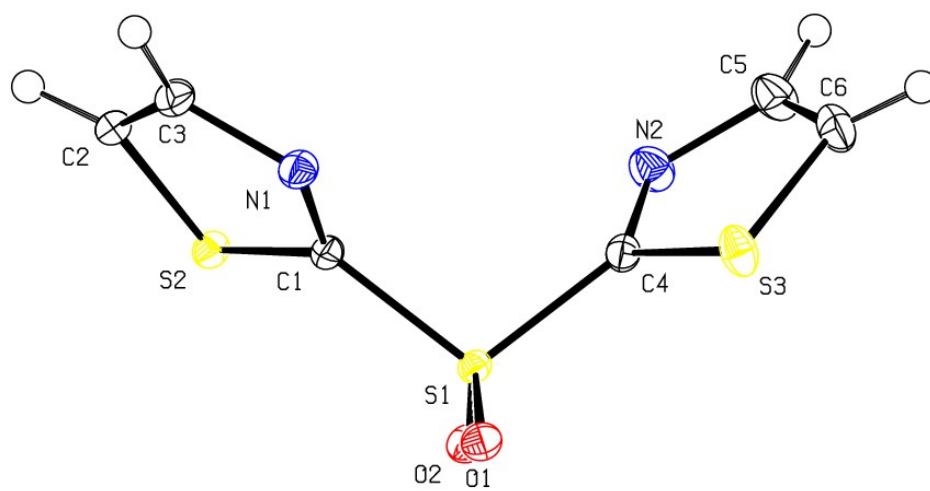


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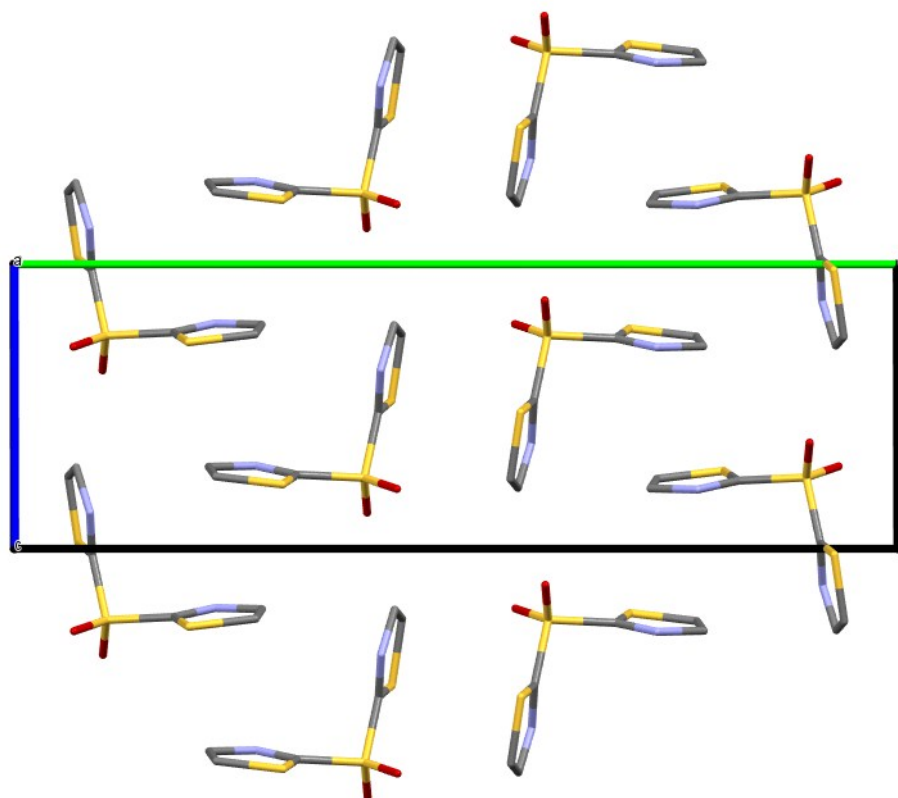


Figure S16. Packing diagram of **6** viewed along the *a*-axis. Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

Ruthenium(II) Complexes

[Ru(tzS)₃][PF₆]₂ (**7**)

A yellow plate shaped crystal of C₁₈H₁₂F₁₂N₆P₂RuS₉•2CH₂Cl₂, having approximate dimensions of 0.12 × 0.12 × 0.10 mm was mounted on a nylon loop. The data were collected at a temperature of -183.0 ± 0.1 °C to a maximum 2θ value of 52.9°. Data were collected in a series of φ and ω scans in 0.5° oscillations using 10.0-second exposures. Of the 20380 reflections that were collected, 8468 were unique (Rint = 0.040); equivalent reflections were merged. The material crystallized with two molecules of CH₂Cl₂ in the asymmetric unit. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement on F² was based on 20380 reflections and 487 variable parameters

and converged. All refinements were performed using the ShelXL¹ via the OLEX2² interface. ORTEP diagrams were generated using PLATON.³

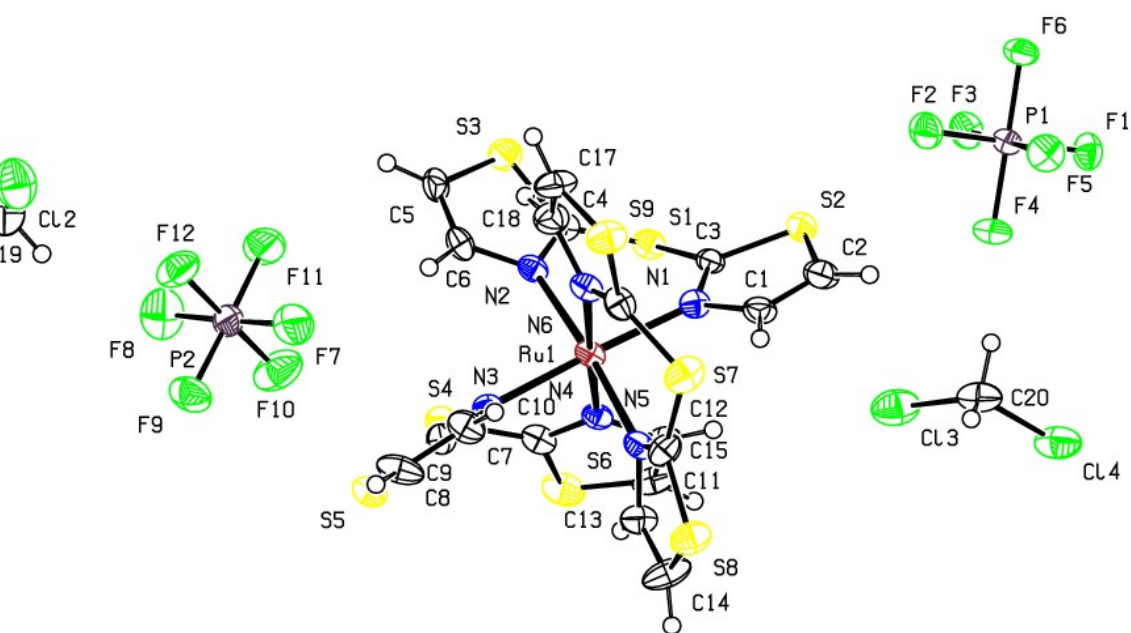


Figure S17. Asymmetric unit of **7** with thermal ellipsoids drawn are at 50 % probability level.

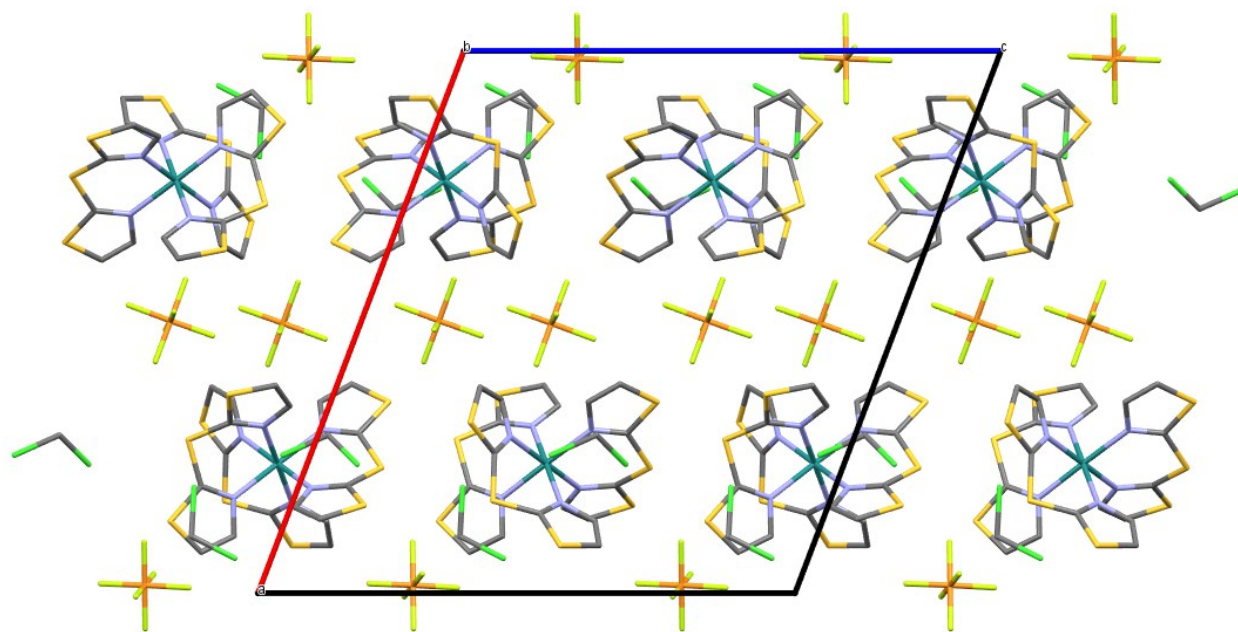


Figure S18. Packing diagram of **7** viewed along the b-axis. Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

[Ru(tzSO₂)₂(MeCN)₂][PF₆] (8**)**

An orange plate shaped crystal of C₁₆H₁₄F₁₂N₆O₄P₂RuS₆, having approximate dimensions of 0.33 × 0.30 × 0.09 mm was mounted on a glass fiber. The data were collected at a temperature of -183.0 ± 0.1°C to a maximum 2θ value of 56.7°. Data were collected in a series of φ and ω scans in 0.5° oscillations using 10.0-second exposures. Of the 15144 reflections that were collected, 3639 were unique (R_{int} = 0.042); equivalent reflections were merged. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement on F² was based on 15144 reflections and 215 variable parameters and converged. All refinements were performed using the ShelXL¹ via the OLEX2² interface. ORTEP diagrams were generated using PLATON.³

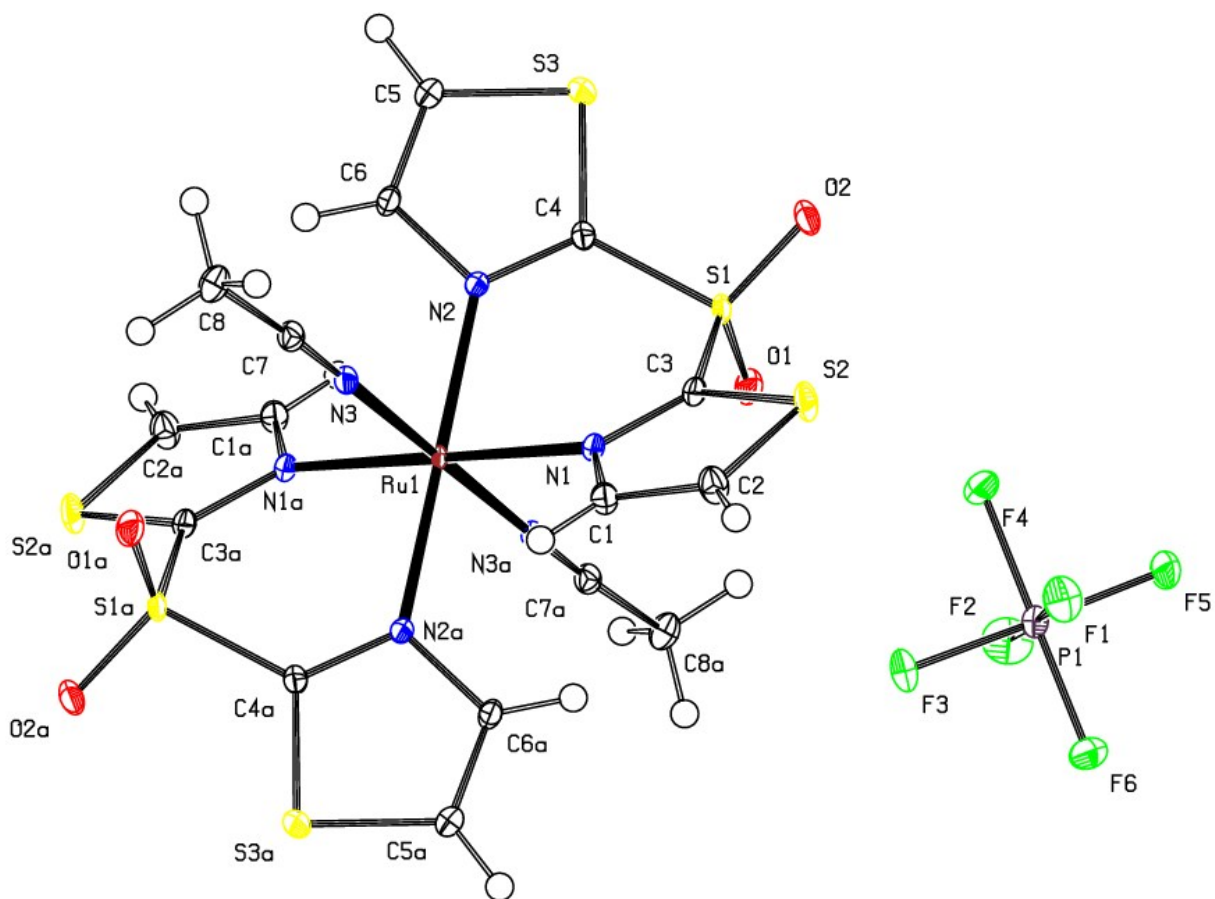


Figure S19. Asymmetric unit of **8** with thermal ellipsoids drawn are at 50 % probability level.

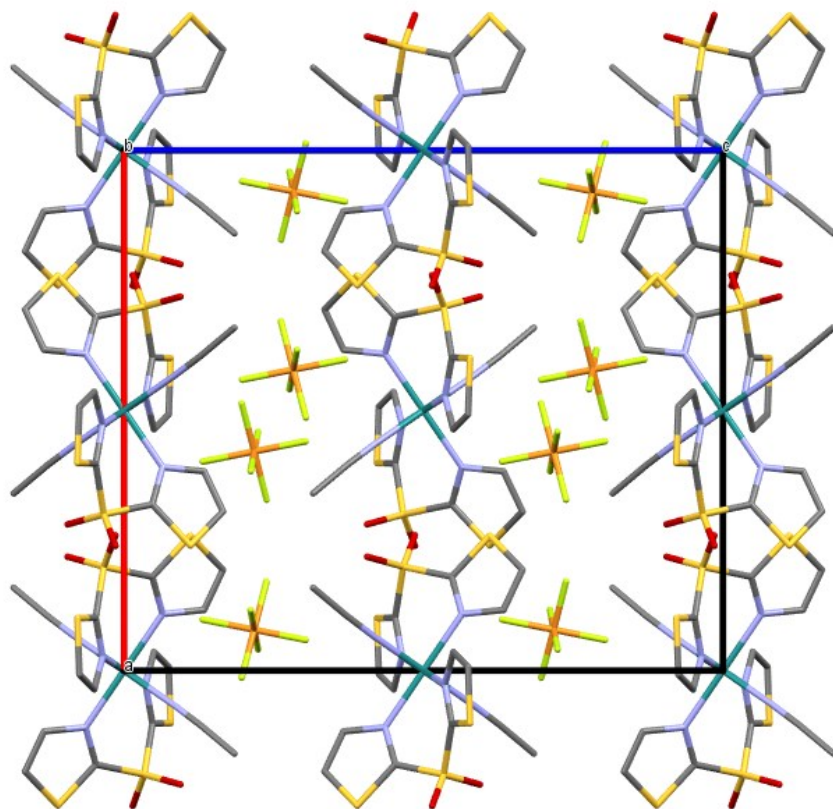


Figure S20. Packing diagram of **8** viewed along the b-axis. Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

[Ru(bpy)₂(tzS)][PF₆]₂ (9**)**

An orange prism shaped crystal of C₂₆H₂₀F₁₂N₆P₂RuS₃, having approximate dimensions of 0.123 × 0.101 × 0.09 mm was mounted on a nylon loop. The data were collected at a temperature of -183.0 ± 0.1°C to a maximum 2θ value of 56.6°. Data were collected in a series of φ and ω scans in 0.5° oscillations using 10.0-second exposures. Of the 30867 reflections that were collected, 8537 were unique (R_{int} = 0.024); equivalent reflections were merged. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement on F² was based on 30867 reflections and 451 variable parameters and converged. All refinements were performed using the ShelXL¹ via the OLEX2² interface. ORTEP diagrams were generated using PLATON.³

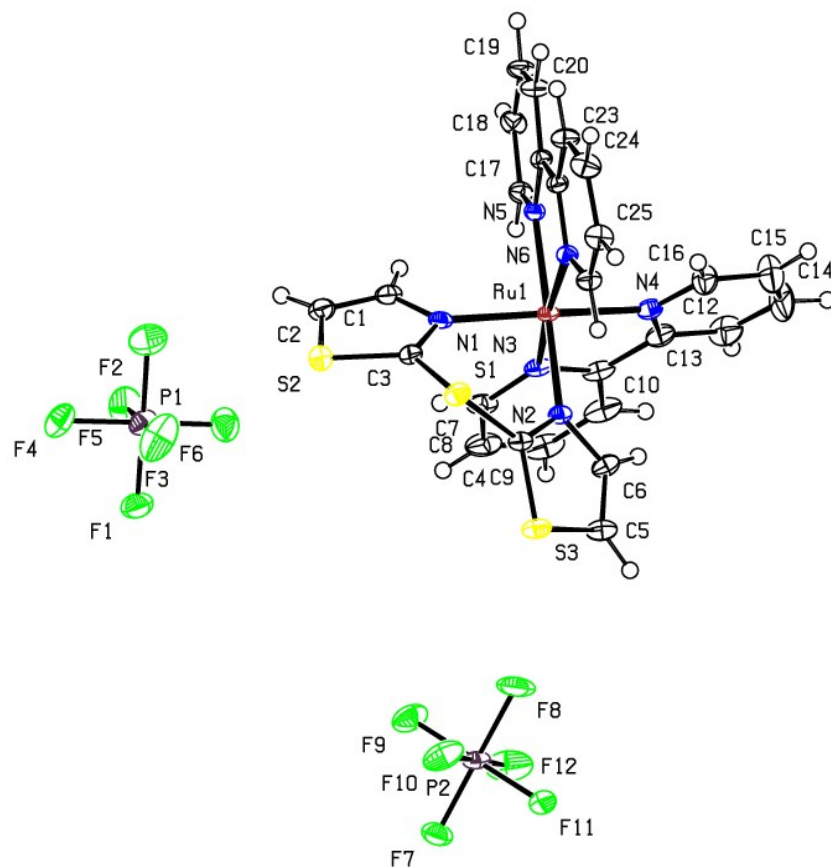


Figure S21. Asymmetric unit of **9** with thermal ellipsoids drawn are at 50 % probability level.

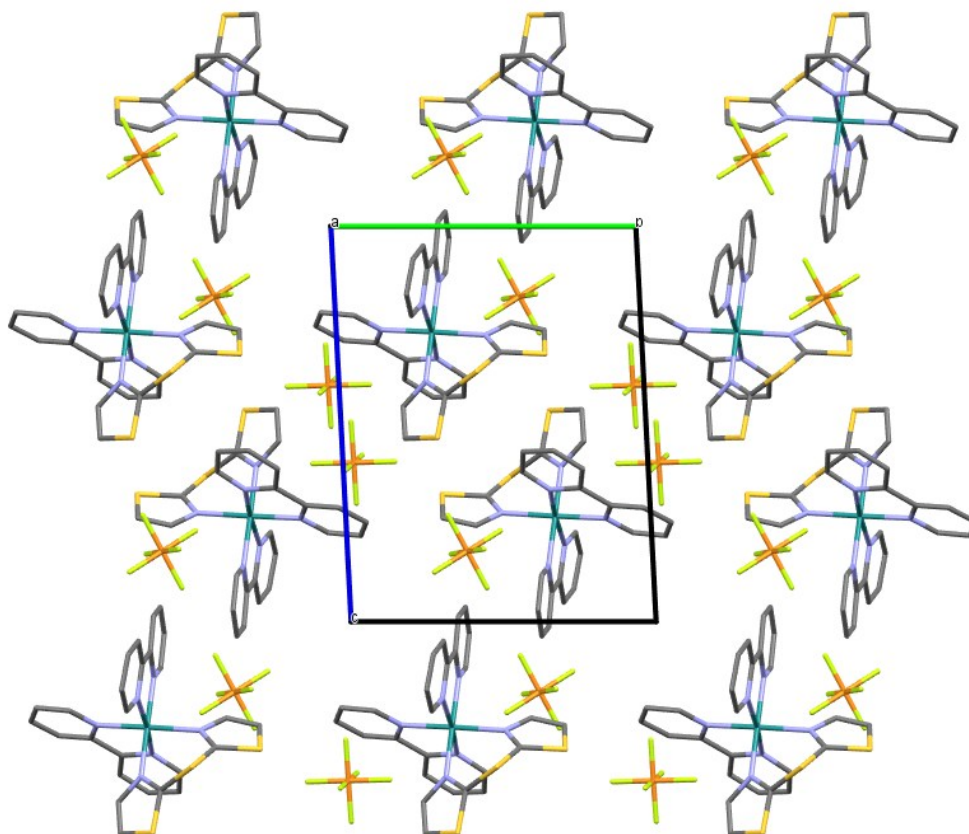


Figure S22. Packing diagram of **9** viewed along the *a*-axis. Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

[Ru(phen)₂(tzSO₂)](PF₆)₂ (12**)**

An orange plate shaped crystal of C₃₀H₂₀F₁₂N₆O₂P₂RuS₃, having approximate dimensions of 0.12 × 0.10 × 0.05 mm was mounted on a nylon loop. The data were collected at a temperature of -183.0 ± 0.1°C to a maximum 2θ value of 53.1°. Data were collected in a series of φ and ω scans in 0.5° oscillations using 10.0-second exposures. Of the 31751 reflections that were collected, 7421 were unique (R_{int} = 0.039); equivalent reflections were merged. One of the PF₆ anions are disordered and was modeled in two orientations. A series of SADI commands were used to ensure reasonable geometries and displacement parameters. A list of the constraints and restraints used in this refinement can be found within the CIF. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement on F² was based on 31751 reflections and 569 variable parameters and converged. All

refinements were performed using the ShelXL¹ via the OLEX2² interface. ORTEP diagrams were generated using PLATON.³

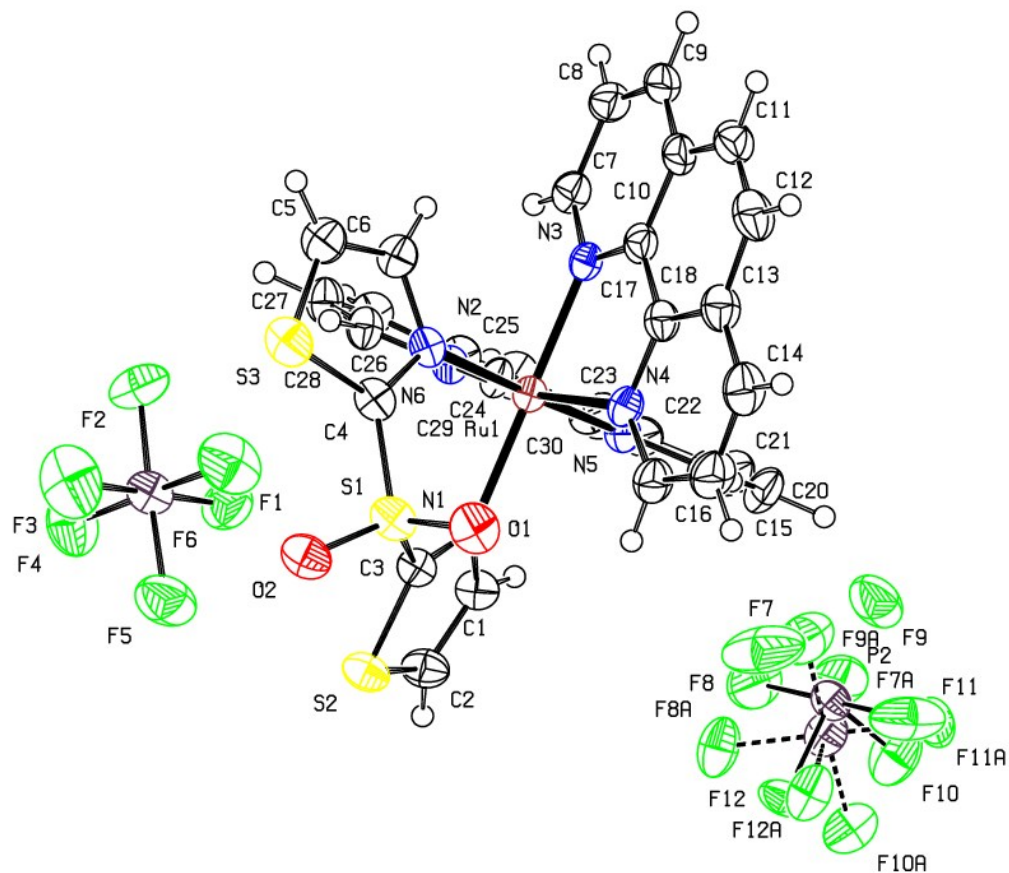


Figure S23. Asymmetric unit of **12** with thermal ellipsoids drawn are at 50 % probability level.

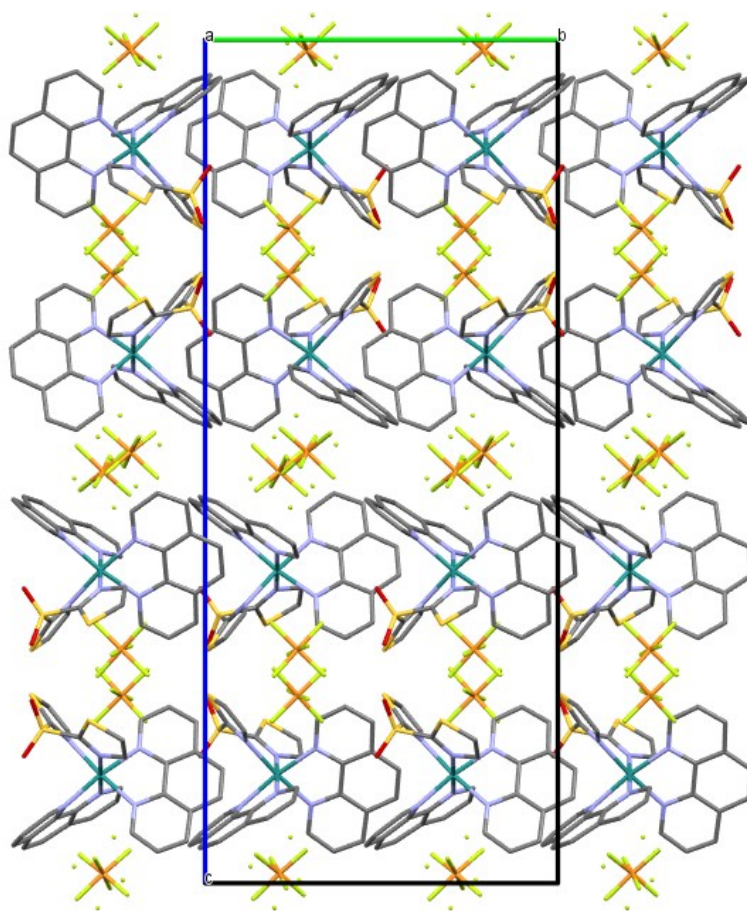


Figure S24. Packing diagram of **12** viewed along the a-axis. Minor disordered fragments are shown as points. Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

Copper(I) Complexes

[Cu(POP)tzS][BF₄]₂ (**13**)

A yellow prism shaped crystal of C₄₂H₃₂BCuF₄N₂OP₂S₃•CH₂Cl₂/(C₂H₅)₂O, having approximate dimensions of 0.38 × 0.11 × 0.02 mm was mounted on a nylon loop. The data were collected at a temperature of -183.0 ± 0.1°C to a maximum 2 θ value of 52.8°. Data were collected in a series of ϕ and ω scans in 0.5° oscillations using 10.0-second exposures. Of the 68044 reflections that were collected, 17006 were unique (R_{int} = 0.032); equivalent reflections were merged. The material crystallized with two molecules in the asymmetric unit and with a CH₂Cl₂ and (C₂H₅)₂O molecule occupying the same space in the asymmetric unit. Additionally, one BF₄ anion is disordered and was modeled in two orientations. A series of SADI commands were used to ensure reasonable geometries and displacement parameters. A list of the constraints and restraints used in this refinement can be found within the CIF. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement on F² was based on 68044 reflections and 1121 variable parameters and converged. All refinements were performed using the ShelXL¹ via the OLEX2² interface. ORTEP diagrams were generated using PLATON.³

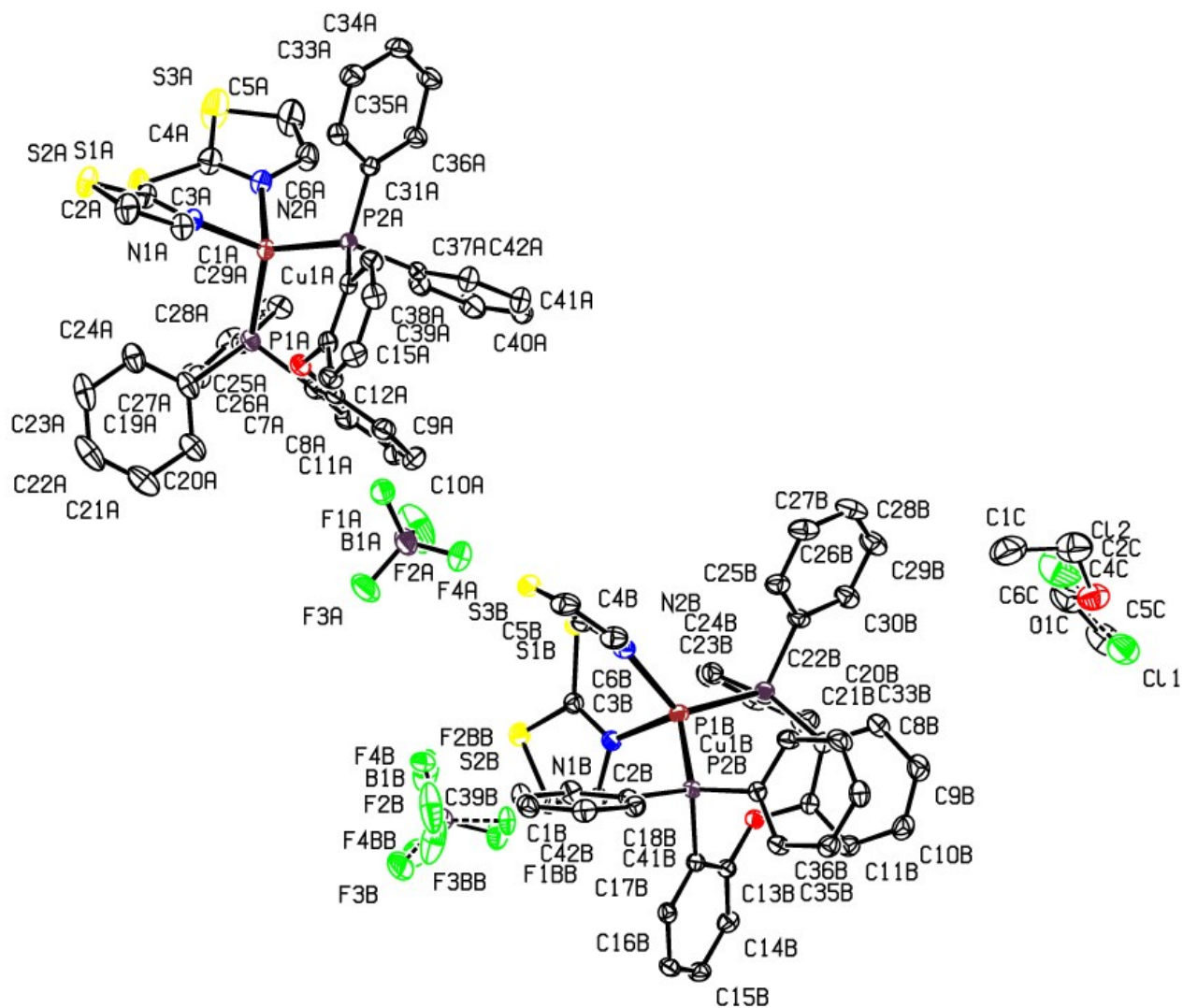


Figure S25. Asymmetric unit of **13** with thermal ellipsoids drawn are at 50 % probability level.

Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

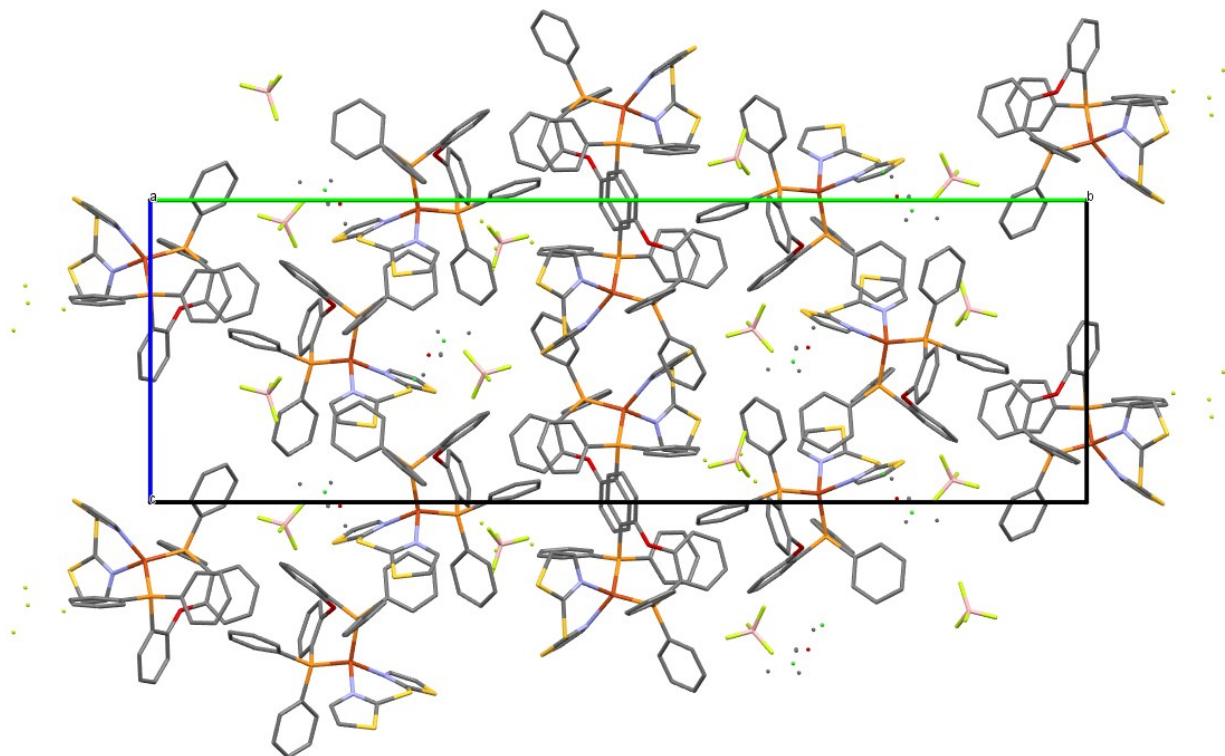


Figure S26. Packing diagram of **13** viewed along the a-axis. Minor disordered fragments are shown as points. Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

[Cu(POP)tzSO₂][BF₄] (14**)**

A yellow prism shaped crystal of C₄₁H₃₂BCuF₄N₂O₃P₂S₃•CH₂Cl₂, having approximate dimensions of 0.41 × 0.21 × 0.11 mm was mounted on a nylon loop. The data were collected at a temperature of -183.0 ± 0.1°C to a maximum 2θ value of 56.0°. Data were collected in a series of φ and ω scans in 0.5° oscillations using 10.0-second exposures. Of the 30265 reflections that were collected, 10029 were unique (Rint = 0.0215); equivalent reflections were merged. The material crystallized with one molecule of CH₂Cl₂ in the asymmetric unit. Additionally, the BF₄ anion is disordered and was modeled in two orientations. A series of SADI commands were used to ensure reasonable geometries and displacement parameters. A list of the constraints and restraints used in this refinement can be found within the CIF. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement on F² was based on 30265 reflections and 560 variable parameters and converged. All refinements were performed using the ShelXL¹ via the OLEX2² interface. ORTEP diagrams were generated using PLATON.³

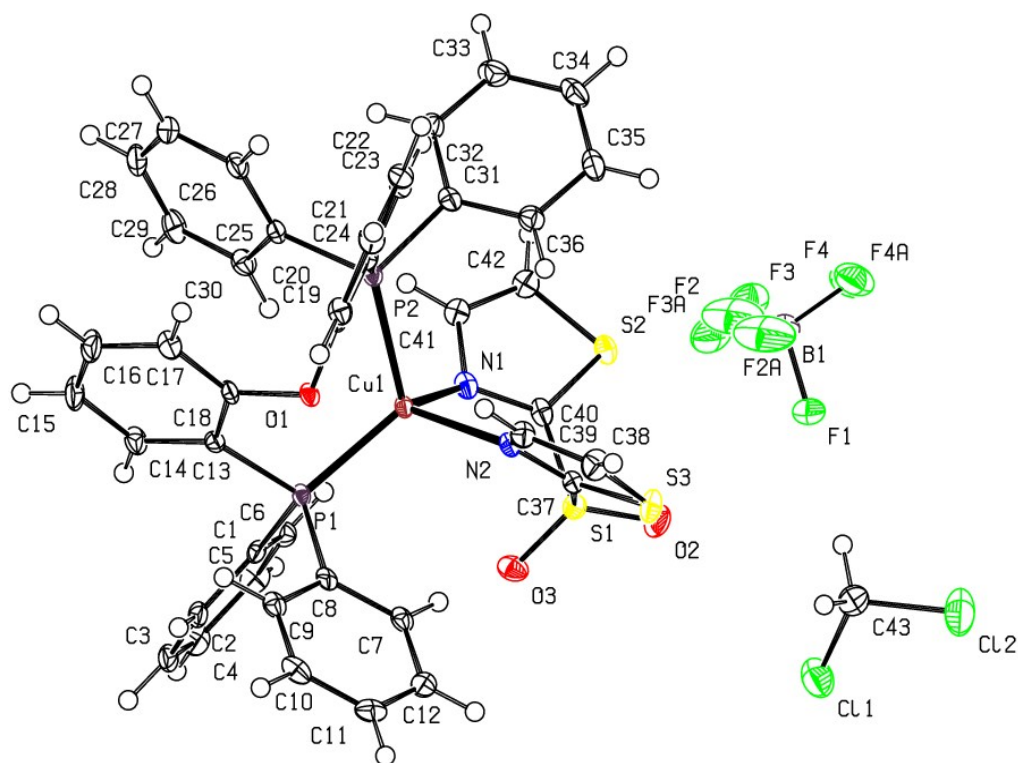


Figure S27. Solvated asymmetric unit of **14** with thermal ellipsoids drawn are at 50 % probability level.

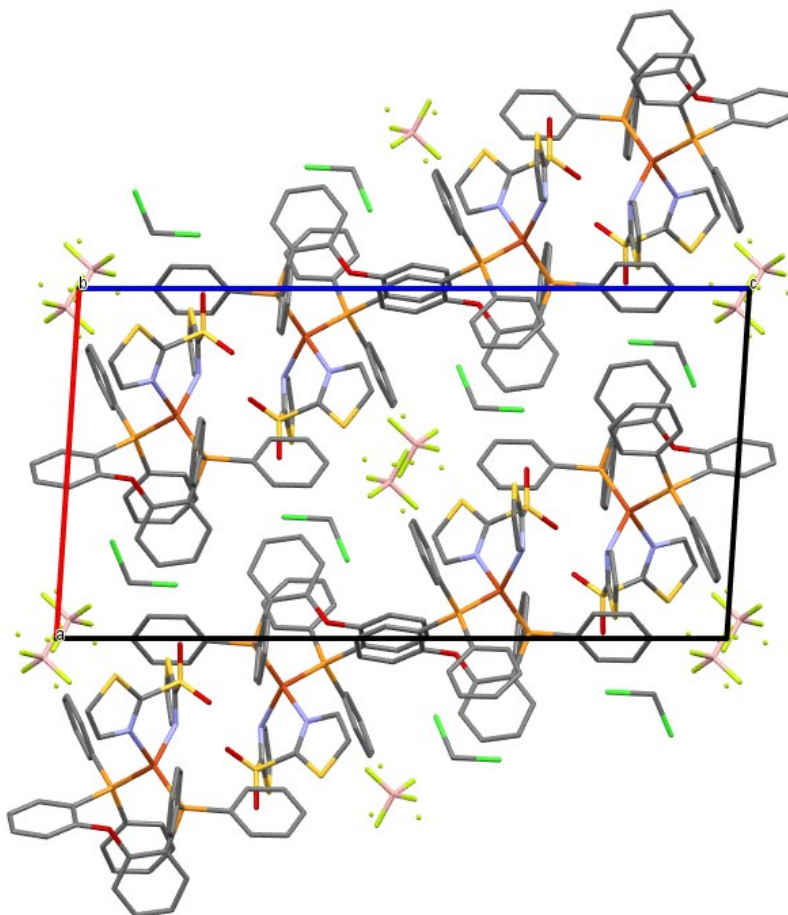


Figure S28. Packing diagram of **14** viewed along the *b*-axis. Minor disordered fragments are shown as points. Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

[Cu(POP)(hbtz)][BF₄] (**15**)

A yellow prism shaped crystal of C₉₀H₈₄BCu₂F₄N₂O₂P₄S₂·(C₂H₅)₂O, having approximate dimensions of 0.31 × 0.26 × 0.23 mm was mounted on a glass fiber. The data were collected at a temperature of -183.0 ± 0.1 °C to a maximum 2θ value of 56.7°. Data were collected in a series of φ and ω scans in 0.5° oscillations using 10.0-second exposures. Of the 30305 reflections that were collected, 11409 were unique (R_{int} = 0.020); equivalent reflections were merged. The material crystallized with 1 molecule of (C₂H₅)₂O in the asymmetric unit, which is disordered and modeled in two orientations. Additionally, the terminal CH₂ and CH₃ atoms in hexyl chain are disordered over three orientations. Finally, the BF₄ anion is disordered and was modeled in two orientations. A series of SADI commands were used to ensure reasonable geometries and displacement parameters. A list of the constraints and restraints used in this refinement can be found within the

CIF. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement on F^2 was based on 30305 reflections and 696 variable parameters and converged. All refinements were performed using the ShelXL¹ via the OLEX2² interface. ORTEP diagrams were generated using PLATON.³

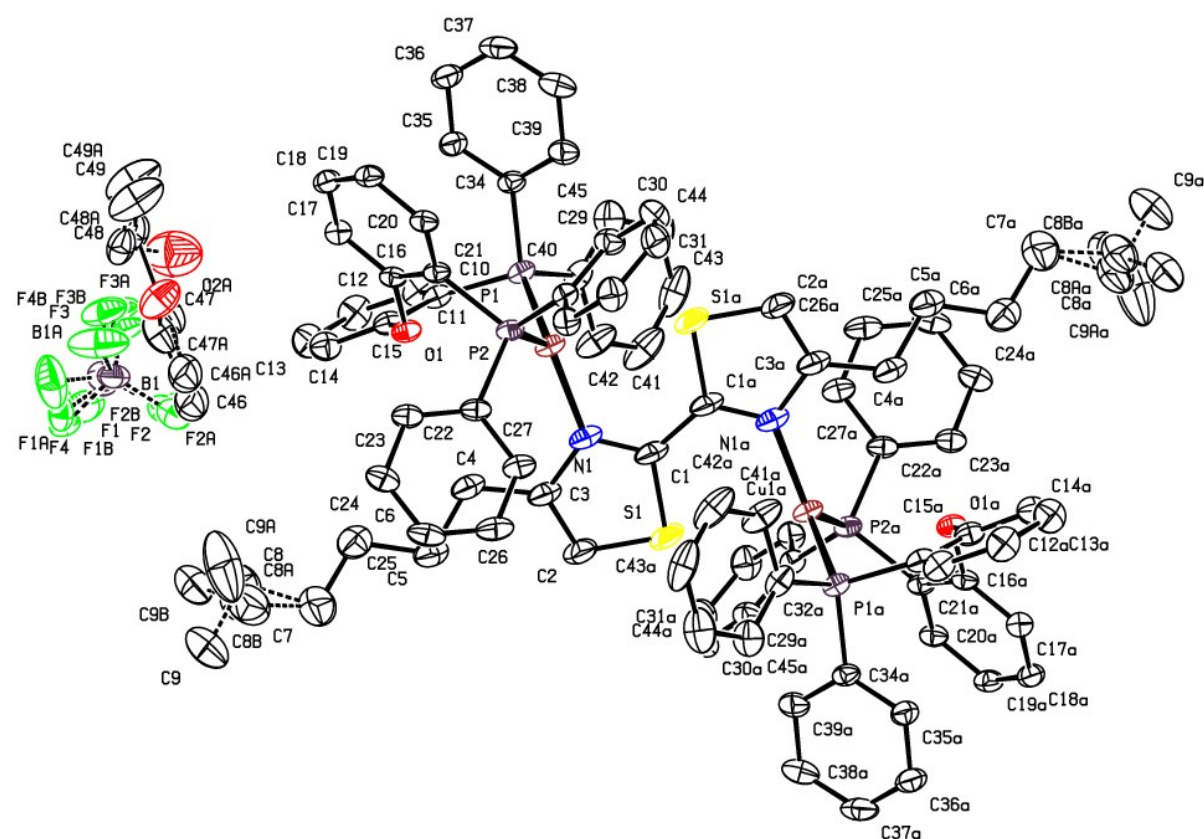


Figure S29. Dimeric unit of **15** with thermal ellipsoids drawn are at 50 % probability level.

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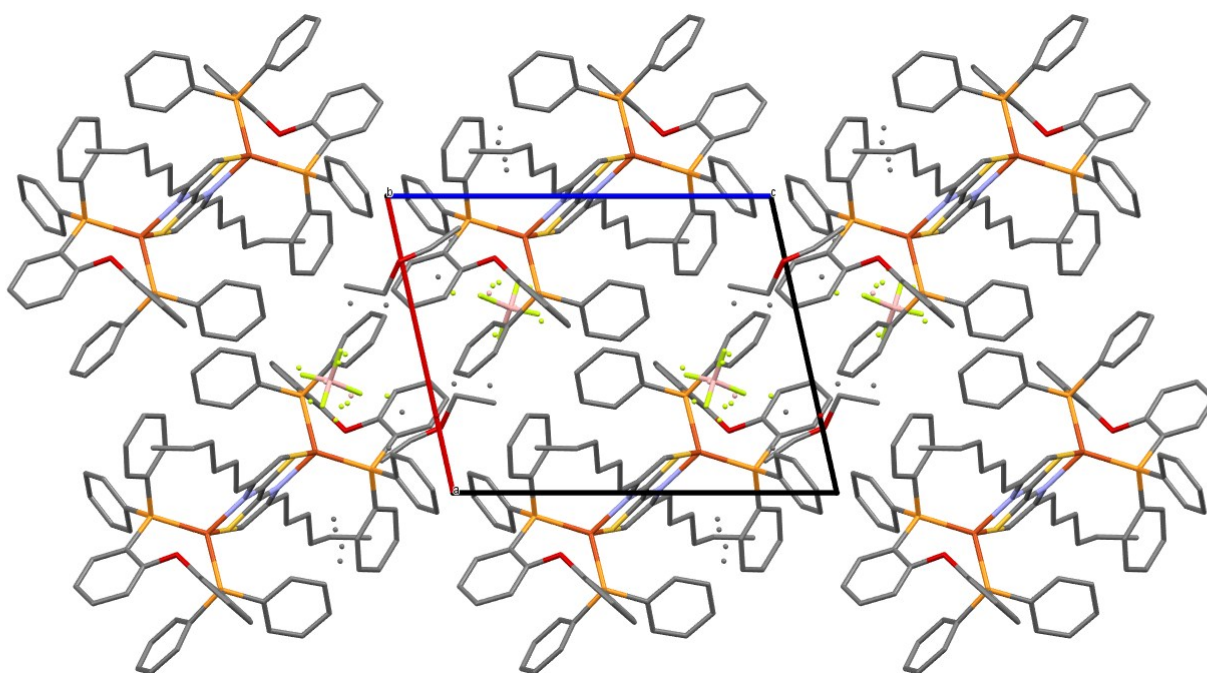


Figure S30. Packing diagram of **15** viewed along the b-axis. Minor disordered fragments are shown as points. Hydrogen atoms are excluded for clarity.

SPECTROSCOPIC DATA

Ruthenium(II) Complexes

Absorption Spectroscopy

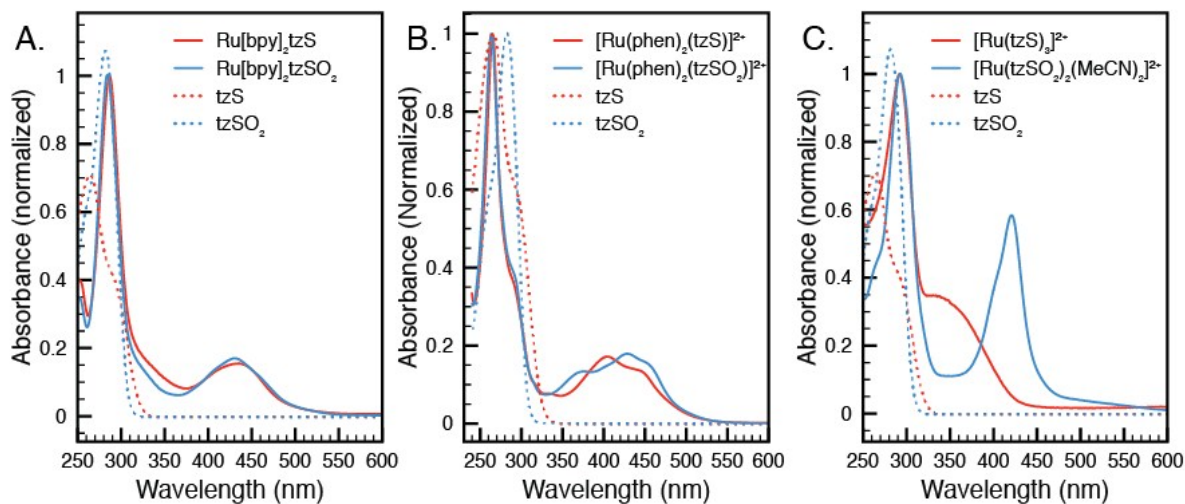


Figure S31. UV-vis absorption spectra of Ru(II) complexes (solid traces) and pro-ligands (dashed traces) at 293 K. (a) tzS (**5**), tzSO_2 (**6**), $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzS})]^{2+}$ (**9**), and $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (**10**) in CH_2Cl_2 ; (b) **5**, **6**, $[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzS})]^{2+}$ (**11**) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (**12**) in CH_2Cl_2 , and (c) **5**, **6**, $[\text{Ru}(\text{tzS})_3]^{2+}$ (**7**) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{tzSO}_2)_2(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_2]^{2+}$ (**8**) in CH_3CN .

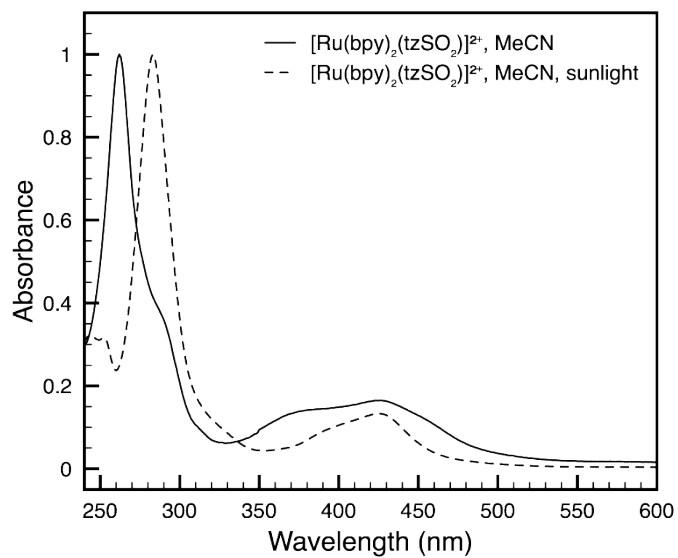


Figure S32. Absorbance of $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (**10**) in CH_3CN in the dark (solid trace) and after sunlight irradiation for 72 h (dashed trace) at 293 K.

Photoluminescence Spectroscopy

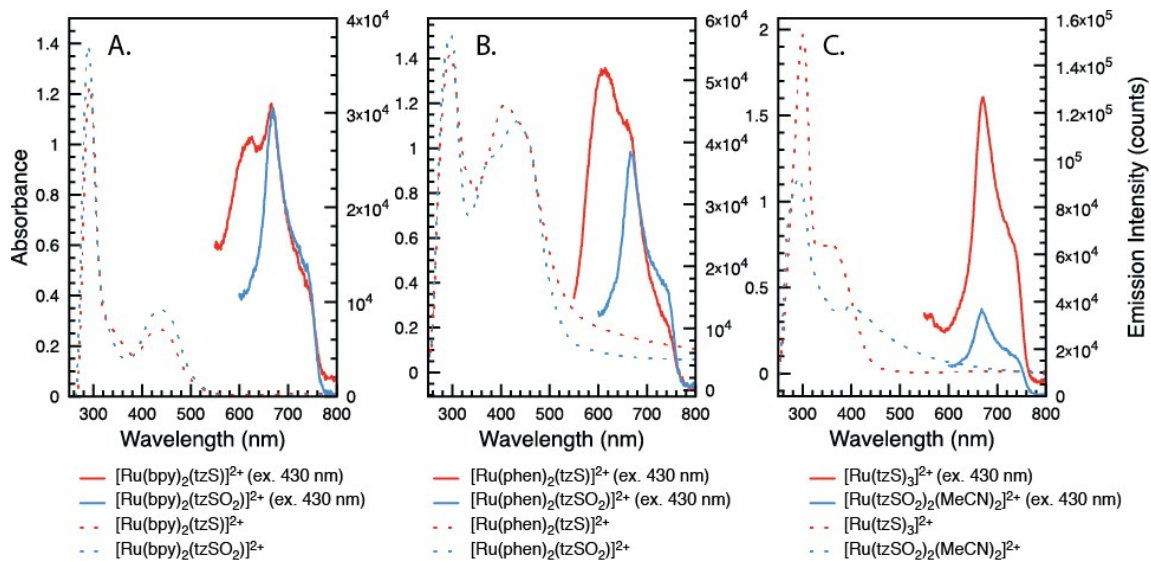


Figure S33. Absorption (dashed trace) and emission (solid trace) spectra of ruthenium(II) complexes (a) [Ru(bpy)₂(tzS)]²⁺ (9) and [Ru(bpy)₂(tzSO₂)]²⁺ (10); (b) [Ru(phen)₂(tzS)]²⁺ (11) and [Ru(phen)₂(tzSO₂)]²⁺ (12); (c) [Ru(tzS)₃]²⁺ (7) and [Ru(tzSO₂)₂(CH₃CN)₂]²⁺ (8). Neat thin films drop-cast from CH₂Cl₂ at 293 K.

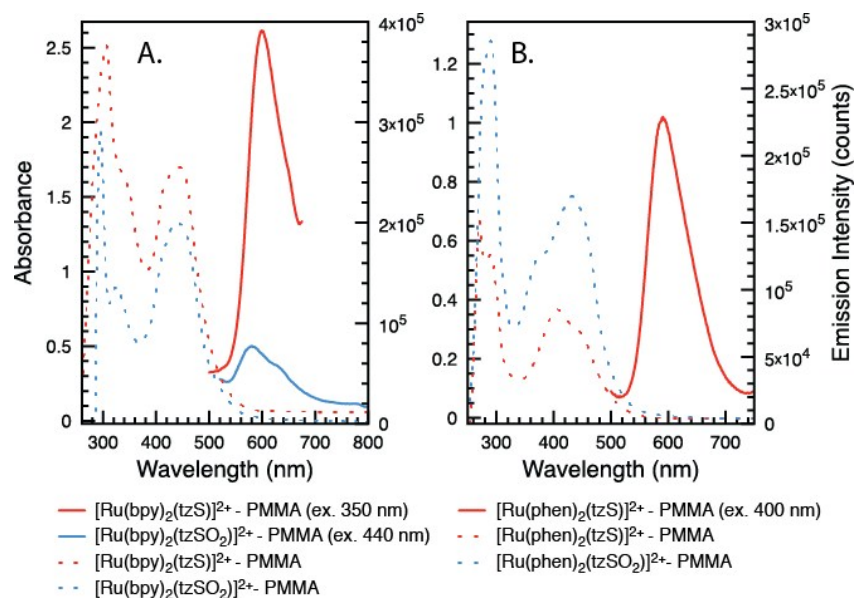


Figure S34. Absorption and emission of Ru(II) complexes (a) [Ru(bpy)₂(tzS)]²⁺ (9) and [Ru(bpy)₂(tzSO₂)]²⁺ (10); and (b) [Ru(phen)₂(tzS)]²⁺ (11) and [Ru(phen)₂(tzSO₂)]²⁺ (12). Doped in PMMA films drop-cast from CH₂Cl₂ at 293 K.

Table S8. Maximum emission wavelength for Ru(II) complexes **7–12** at room temperature as solid and in polymer matrix and 77 K for selected compounds.

	Thin film ^a		PMMA Matrix ^a
	λ_{max} (nm)		λ_{max} (nm)
	293 K	77 K	
[Ru(tzS) ₃] ²⁺ (7)	671 (735)	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
[Ru(tzSO ₂) ₂ (MeCN) ₂] ²⁺ (8)	668 (735)	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
[Ru(bpy) ₂ (tzS)] ²⁺ (9)	626; 666; (725)	615	599
[Ru(bpy) ₂ (tzSO ₂)] ²⁺ (10)	669; (725)	652	581; (627)
[Ru(phen) ₂ (tzS)] ²⁺ (11)	615; (659); (740)	<i>b</i>	591
[Ru(phen) ₂ (tzSO ₂)] ²⁺ (12)	667; (730)	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>

a. drop-cast from CH₂Cl₂; *b.* not attempted; () shoulders

Electrochemical Data

Table S9. Redox potentials of ruthenium(II) complexes (**7–12**) and selected literature complexes vs. NHE along with the electrochemical and optical band gaps.

	$E_{\text{ox}} (\text{Ru}^{3+}/\text{Ru}^{2+}) [\text{V}]$	$E_{\text{red}} [\text{V}]$	$E_{\text{g}} [\text{eV}]$	
			Echem	Optical
$[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3]^{2+ 4}$	1.54	−1.08; −1.27; −1.51; −2.15	2.62	–
$[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_3]^{2+ 4}$	1.61	−1.19; −1.29; −1.59; −1.99	2.80	–
$[\text{Ru}(\text{btz})_3]^{2+ 5}$	1.11	−0.79; −1.00; −1.26	1.90	–
$[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{btz})]^{2+ 5}$	1.56	−0.84; −1.20; −1.42	2.40	–
$[\text{Ru}(\text{tzS})_3]^{2+}$ (7)	1.62	−0.75; −1.23	2.19	2.75
$[\text{Ru}(\text{tzSO}_2)_2(\text{MeCN})_2]^{2+}$ (8)	0.95	−0.80; −1.09	1.75	2.47
$[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzS})]$ (9)	1.52	−0.74; −1.31; −1.58	2.26	2.27
$[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (10)	1.88	−0.57; −0.78	2.45	2.27
$[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzS})]^{2+}$ (11)	1.59	−0.71; −1.04	2.30	2.28
$[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)]^{2+}$ (12)	1.63	−0.85	2.48	2.28

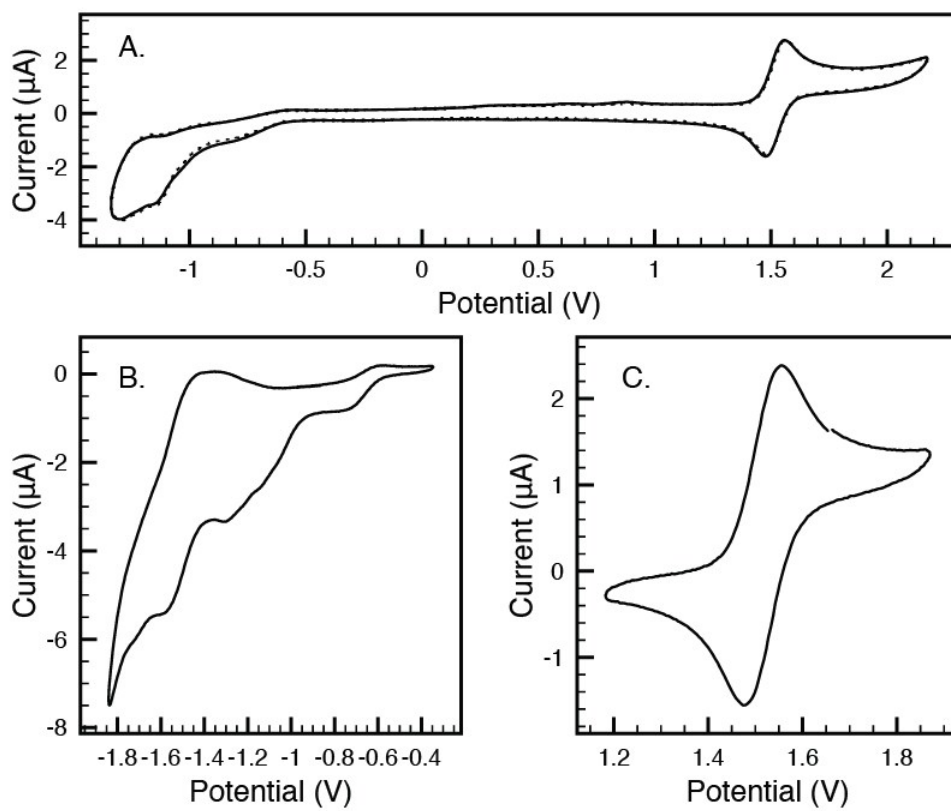


Figure S35. Cyclic voltammetry of $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzS})][\text{PF}_6]_2$ (**9**) in $0.1 \text{ M NBu}_4\text{PF}_6 \text{ CH}_3\text{CN}$ solutions using a platinum working electrode vs. NHE at 293 K .

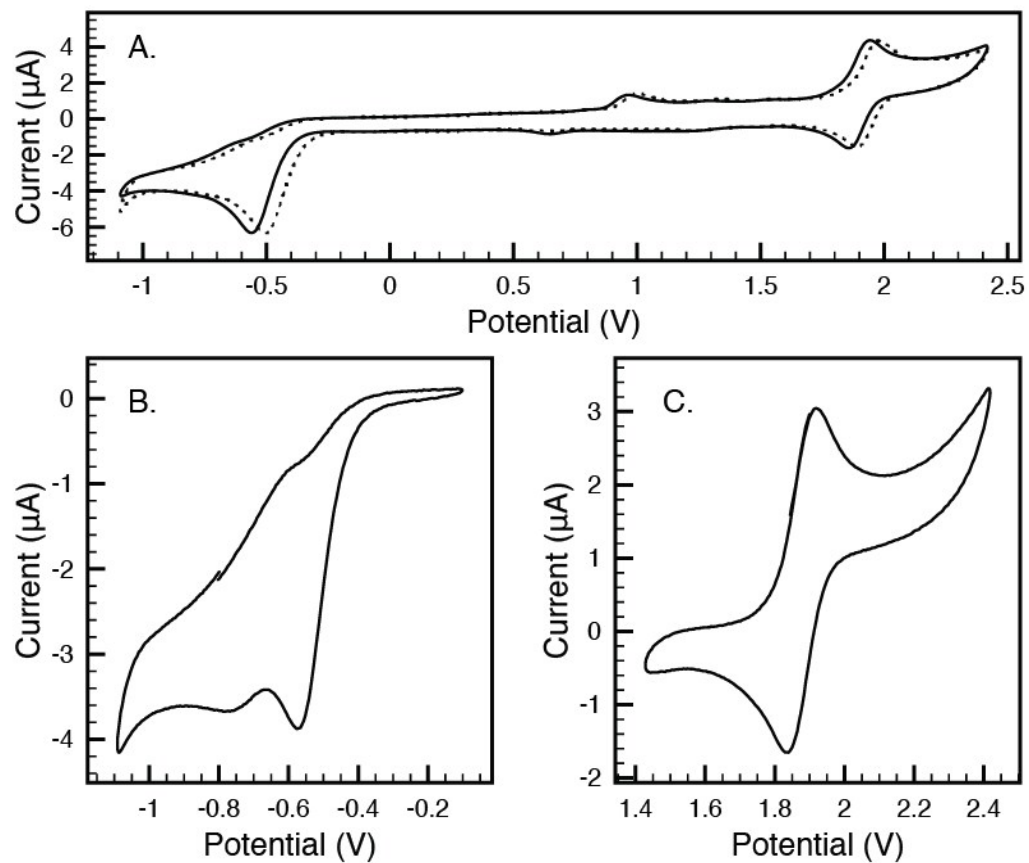


Figure S36. Cyclic voltammetry of $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)][\text{PF}_6]_2$ (**10**) in $0.1 \text{ M NBu}_4\text{PF}_6$ CH_3CN solutions using platinum working electrode vs. NHE at 293 K .

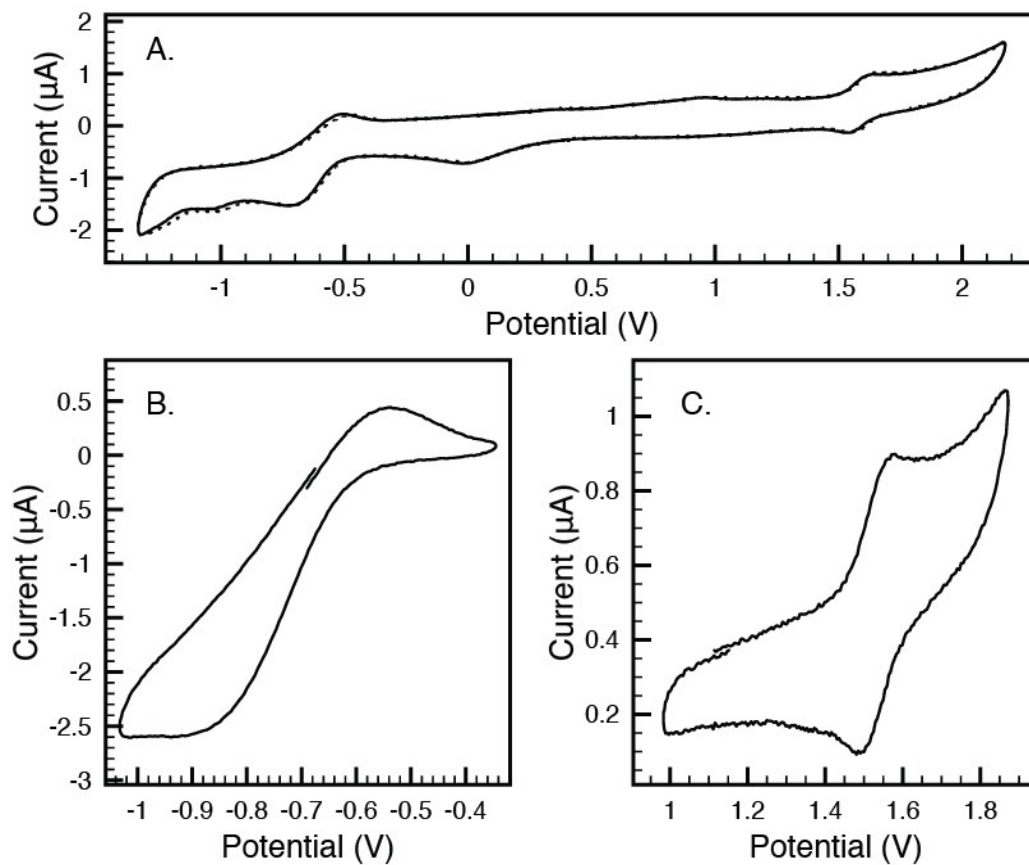


Figure S37. Cyclic voltammetry of $[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzS})][\text{PF}_6]_2$ (**11**) in $0.1 \text{ M NBu}_4\text{PF}_6 \text{ CH}_3\text{CN}$ solutions using platinum working electrode vs. NHE at 293 K .

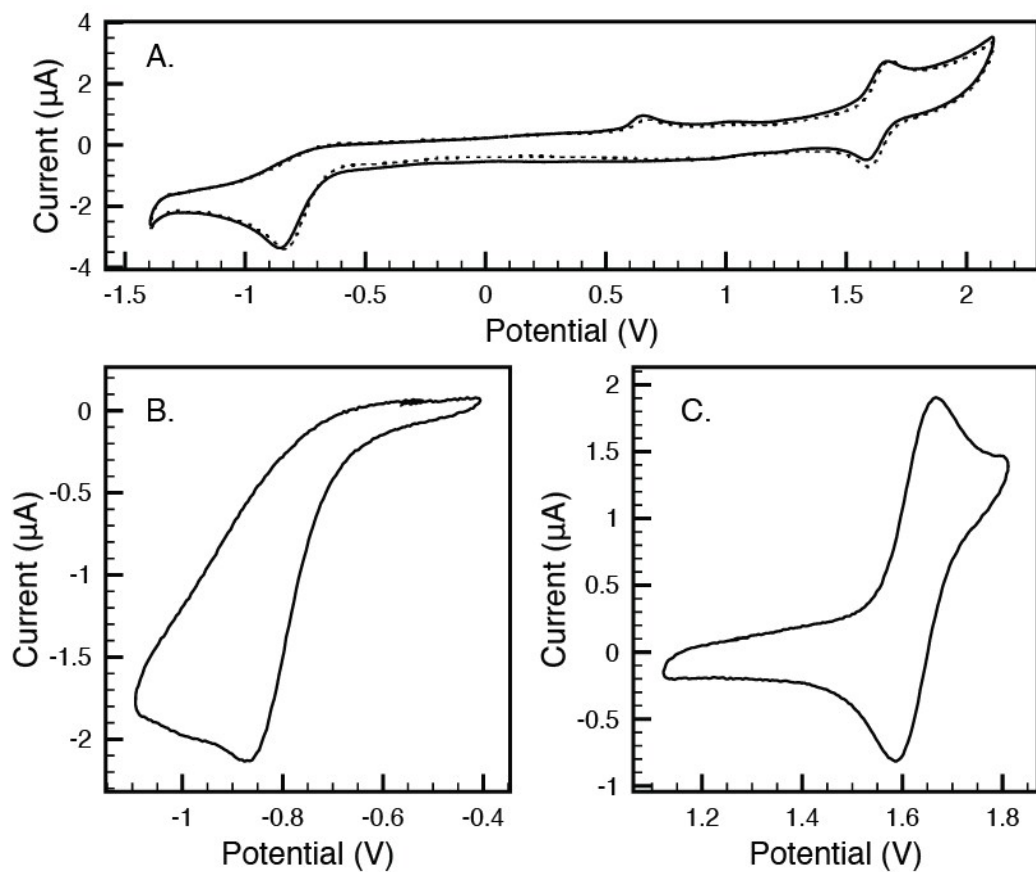


Figure S38. Cyclic voltammetry of $[\text{Ru}(\text{phen})_2(\text{tzSO}_2)][\text{PF}_6]_2$ (**12**) in $0.1 \text{ M NBu}_4\text{PF}_6 \text{ CH}_3\text{CN}$ solutions using platinum working electrode vs. NHE at 293 K .

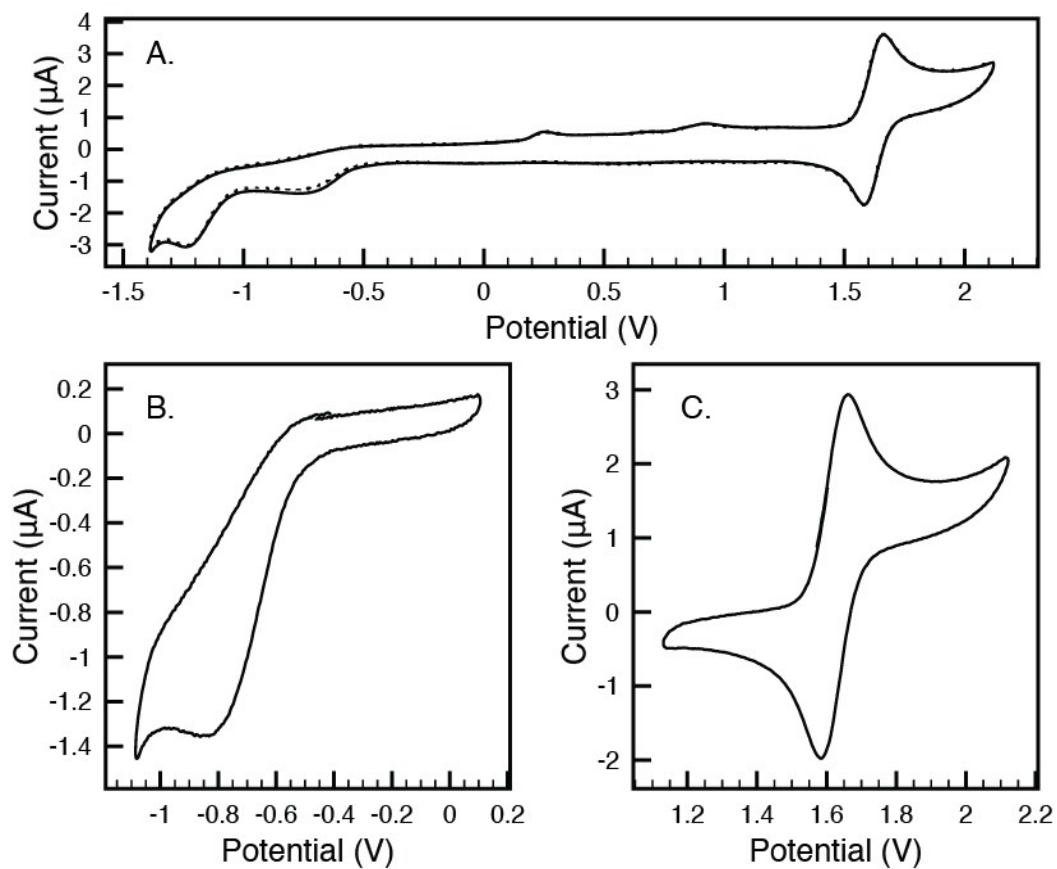


Figure S39. Cyclic voltammetry of $[\text{Ru}(\text{tzS})_3][\text{PF}_6]_2$ (7) in $0.1 \text{ M NBu}_4\text{PF}_6/\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ solutions using platinum working electrode vs. NHE at 293 K .

Copper(I) Complexes

Absorption Spectroscopy

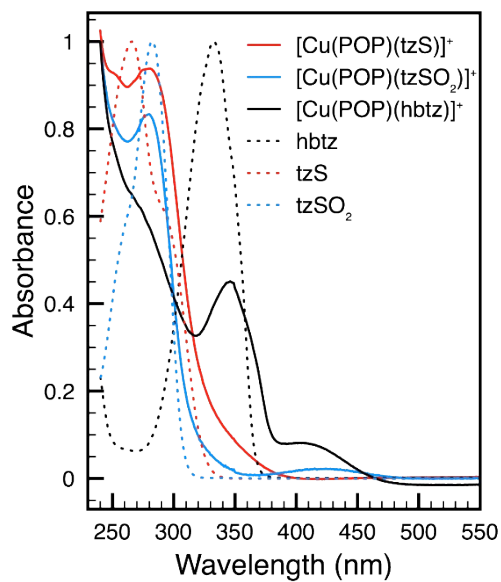


Figure S40. Absorption spectra of the Cu(I) complexes (solid traces) [Cu(POP)(tzS)]⁺ (**13**); [Cu(POP)(tzSO₂)]⁺ (**14**); [(POP)Cu(hbtz)Cu(POP)]²⁺ (**15**); and pro-ligands (dashed traces) tzS (**5**); tzSO₂ (**6**); and **hbtz**. CH₂Cl₂ solutions at 293 K.

Photoluminescence Spectroscopy

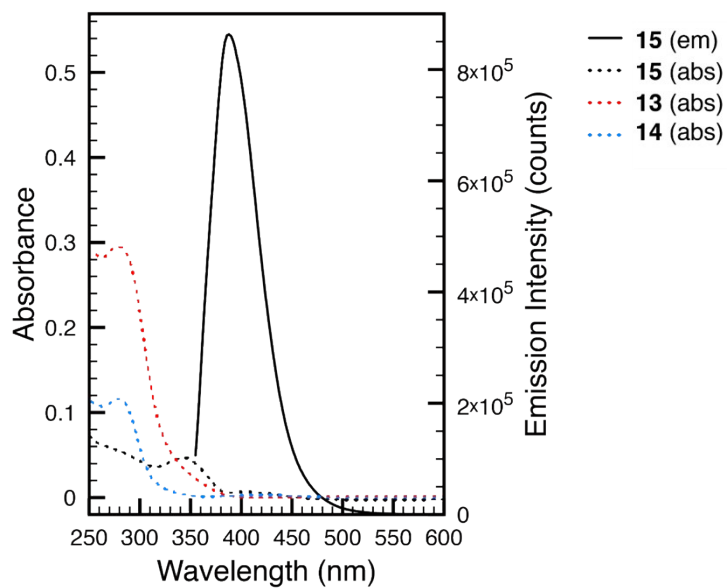


Figure S41. Absorption (dashed trace) and emission (solid trace) of Cu(I) species in CH_2Cl_2 solutions. ***13** and **14** were found to be non-emissive in solution.

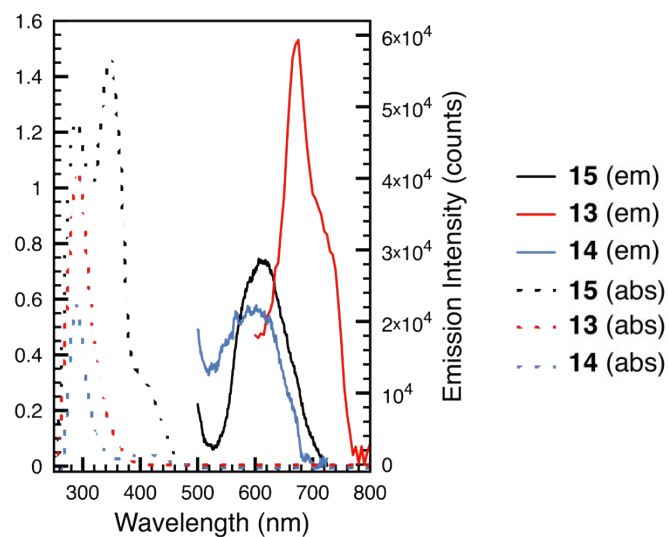


Figure S42. Absorption (dashed trace) and emission (solid trace) spectra of Cu(I) complexes doped in a PMMA matrix. All films drop-cast from CH₂Cl₂ and spectra collected at 293 K with $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 405$ nm for (Except [Cu(POP)(tzS)]⁺ (**13**) in PMMA: $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 430$ nm).

Electrochemical Data

Table S10. Electrochemical potentials (vs. NHE) of copper(I) complexes (**13**–**15**) measured in 0.1 M NH_4PF_6 CH_3CN solutions at 293 K.

	E_{ox} (V)	E_{red} (V)	E_{g} (eV)	
			Echem	Optical
$[\text{Cu}(\text{POP})(\text{tzS})]^+$ (13)	1.67; 0.94	−0.86	2.53	3.12
$[\text{Cu}(\text{POP})(\text{tzSO}_2)]^+$ (14)	1.56	−1.32	2.84	2.56
$[\text{Cu}(\text{POP})(\text{hbtz})]^+$ (15)	1.89	−0.62; −1.05	2.51	2.43

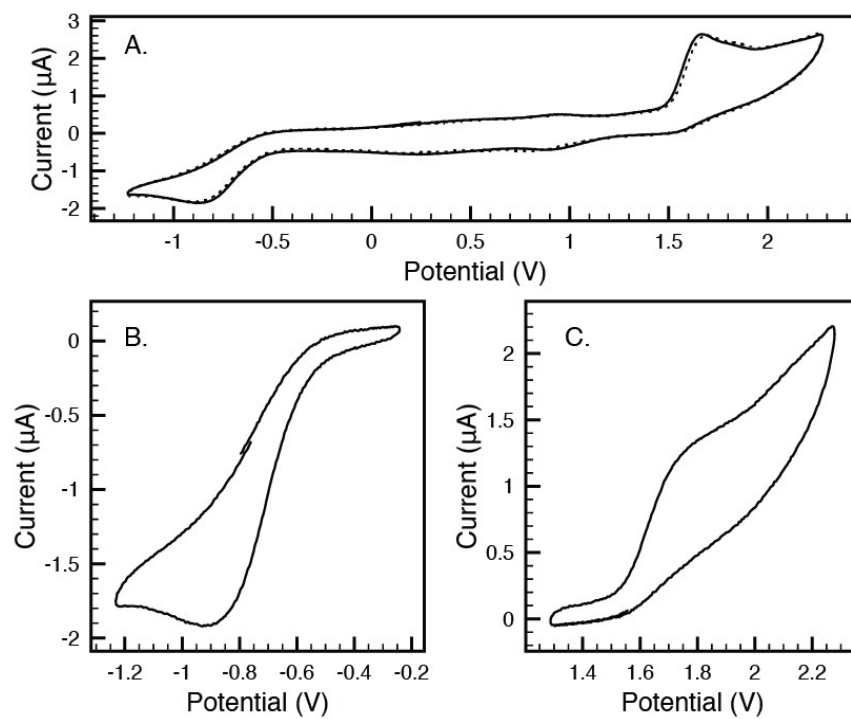


Figure S43. Cyclic voltammetry of $[\text{Cu}(\text{POP})(\text{tzS})][\text{BF}_4]$ (**13**) in 0.1 M $\text{NBu}_4\text{PF}_6/\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ solutions using a platinum working electrode vs. NHE at 293 K.

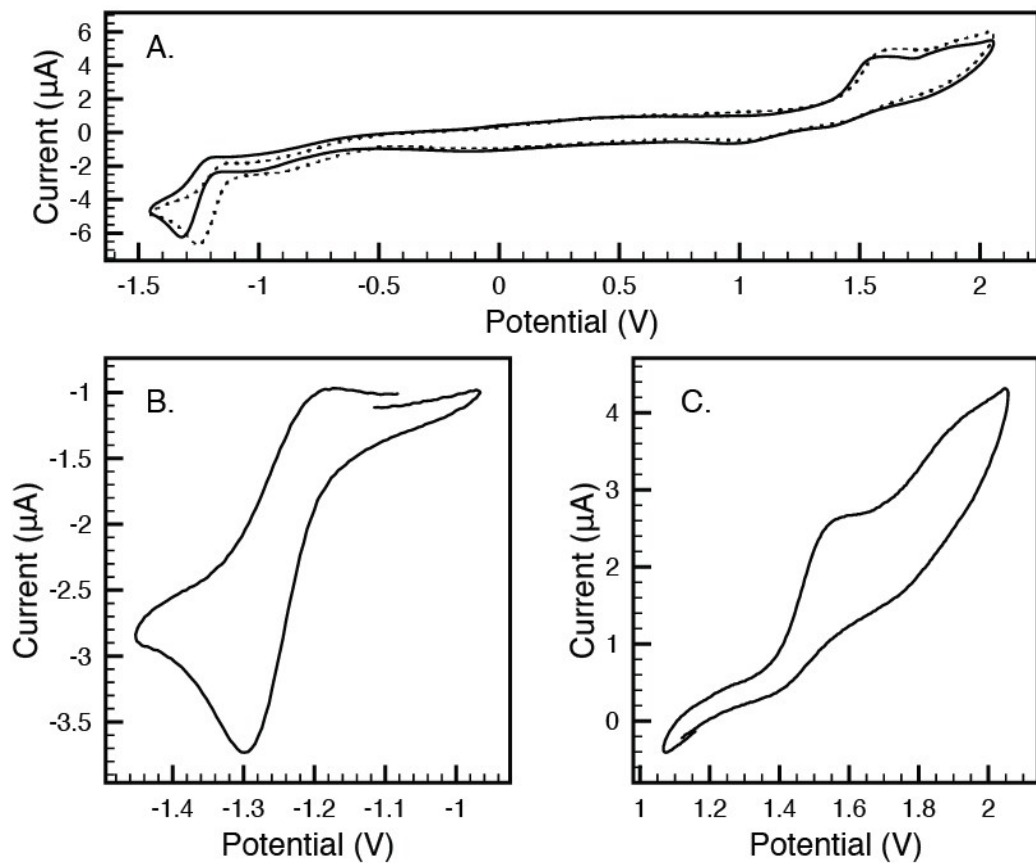


Figure S44. Cyclic voltammetry of [Cu(POP)(tzSO₂)](BF₄) (**14**) in 0.1 M NH₄PF₆/CH₃CN solutions using platinum working electrode vs. NHE at 293 K.

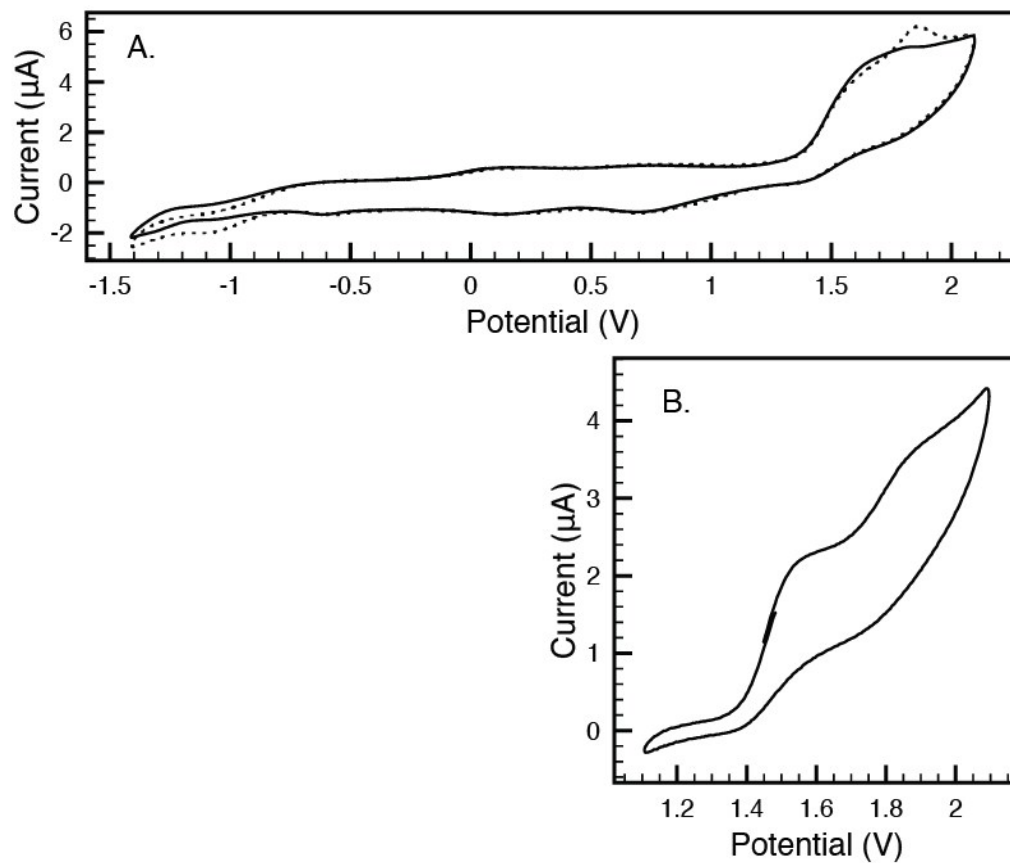


Figure S45. Cyclic voltammetry of [Cu(POP)(hbtz)][BF₄] (**15**) in 0.1 M NBu₄PF₆ CH₃CN solutions using platinum working electrode vs. NHE at 293 K.

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