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## $[Cu(N^{\wedge}N)(P^{\wedge}P)]^{+}$ complexes with 2,2':6',2''-terpyridine ligands as the $N^{\wedge}N$ domain

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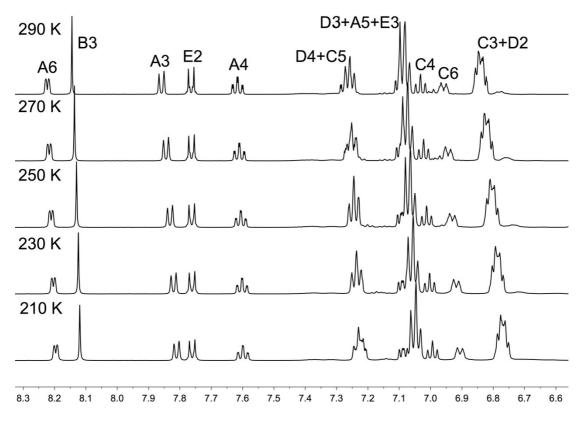


Fig. S1. Variable temperature 500 MHz  $^1$ H NMR spectra of [Cu(**4**)(POP)][PF<sub>6</sub>] (in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; aromatic region only). Chemical shifts in  $\partial$  / ppm.

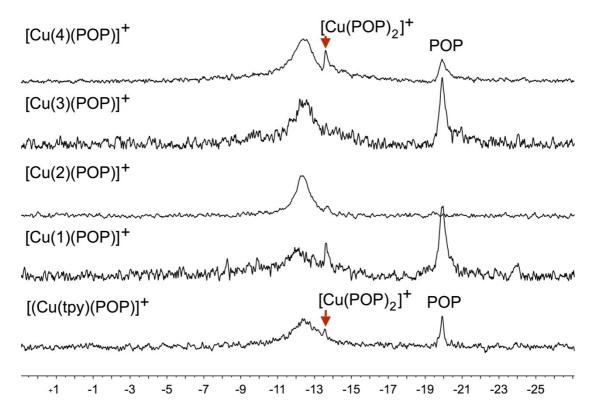


Fig. S2. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra of aged samples of [Cu(N^N)(POP)][PF<sub>6</sub>] (N^N = tpy, **1**–**4**) in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, or CDCl<sub>3</sub> for [Cu(**2**)(POP)][PF<sub>6</sub>]. Each spectrum also shows a septet for the [PF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>-</sup> ion at  $\partial$  –144.5 ppm. Scale in  $\partial$  / ppm.