

Supporting Information

Diolefins with an Ether/Thioether Functionality as Ligands in the Coordination Sphere of Ni and Rh.

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[Rh(trop₂S)(NCMe)₂][OTf] (6).

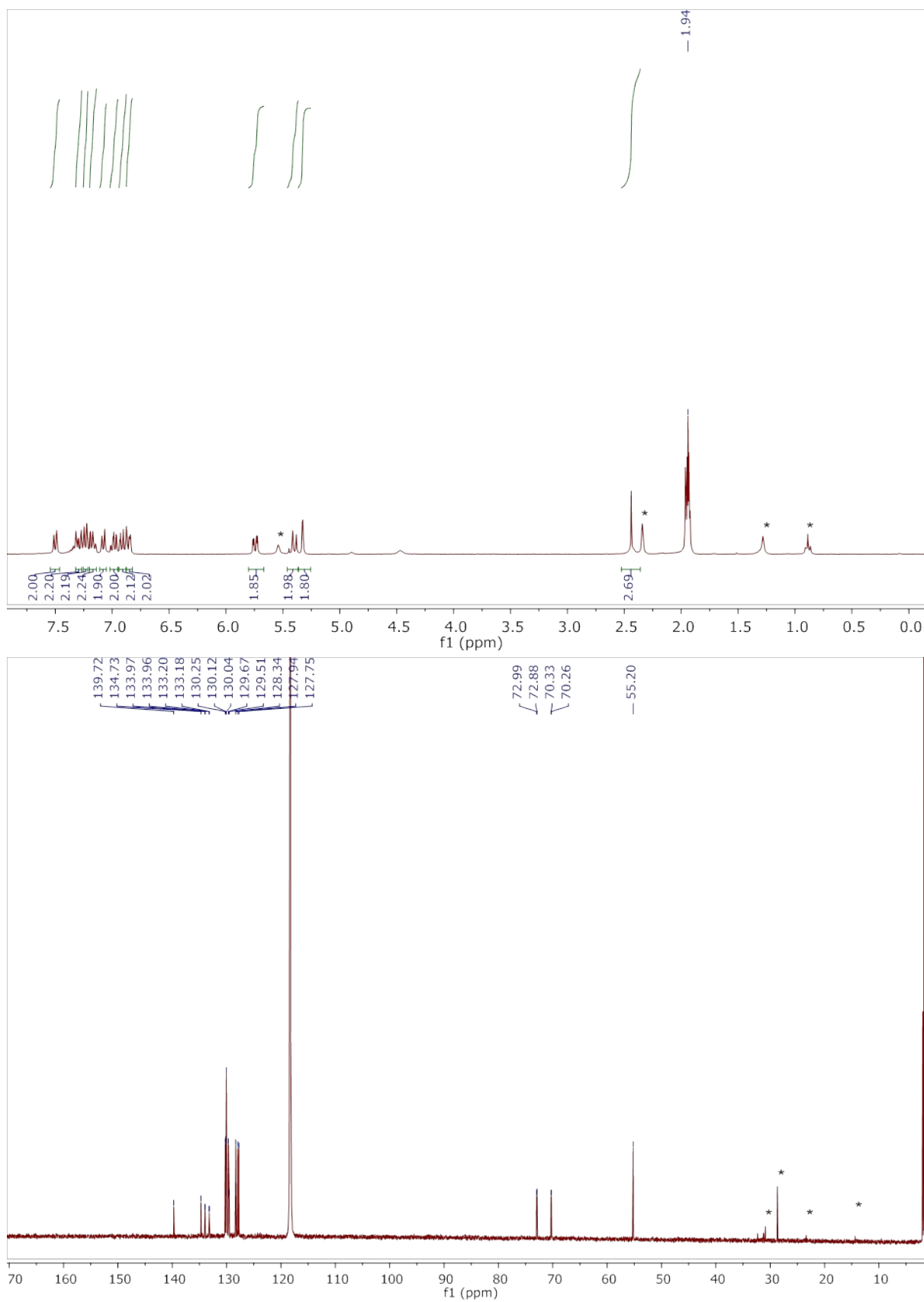


Figure S1. ¹H NMR (top) and ¹³C NMR spectrum (bottom) of **6**; asterix denotes resonances ascribed to residual 1,5-cod and hexanes.

[Rh(trop₂S)(bipy)][OTf] (7).

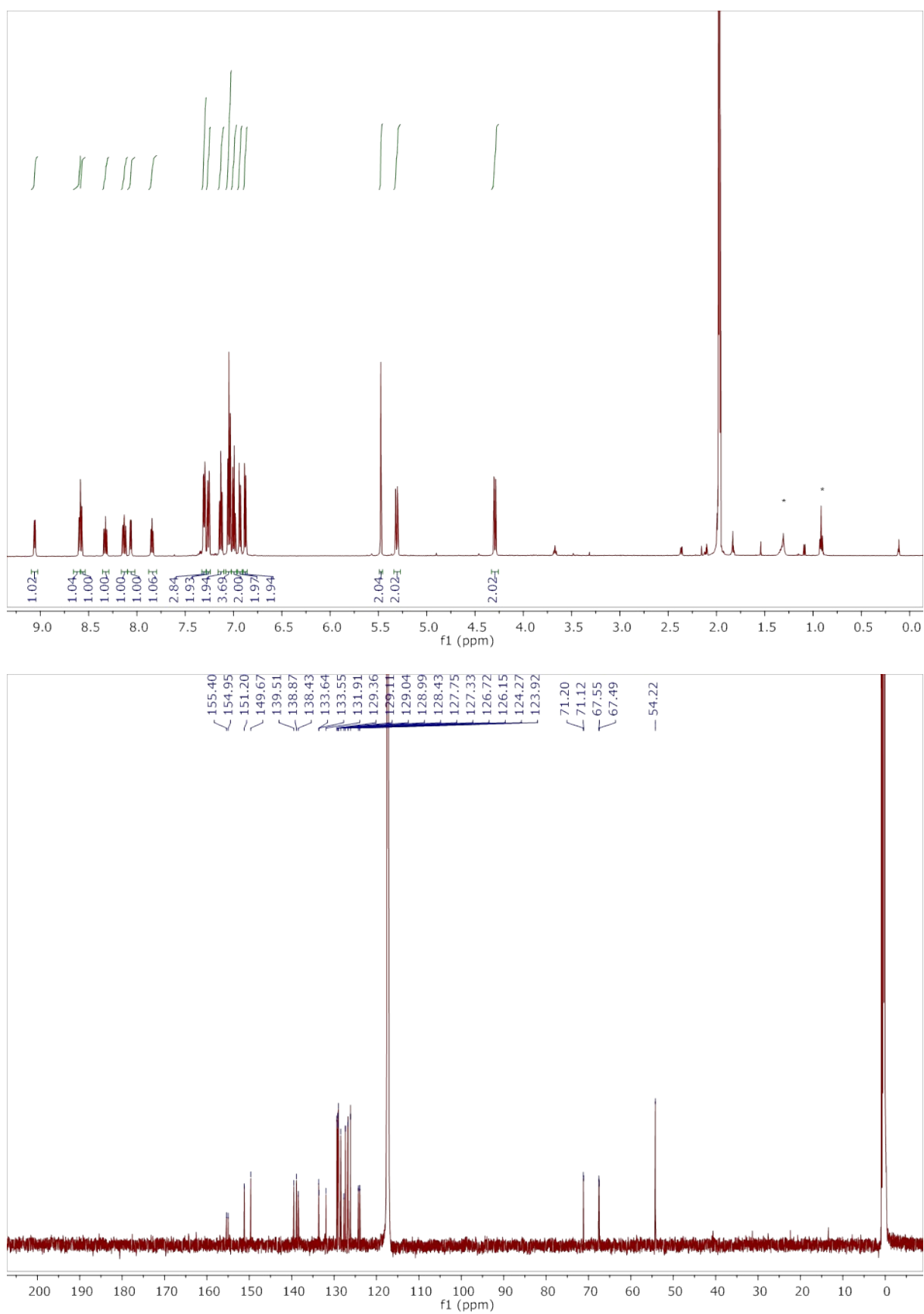


Figure S2. ¹H NMR (top) and ¹³C NMR spectrum (bottom) of **7**; asterisk denotes resonances ascribed to residual hexanes.

[Rh(trop₂S)(NCMe)₂][OTf] (6) and [Rh(trop₂S)(bipy)][OTf] (7).

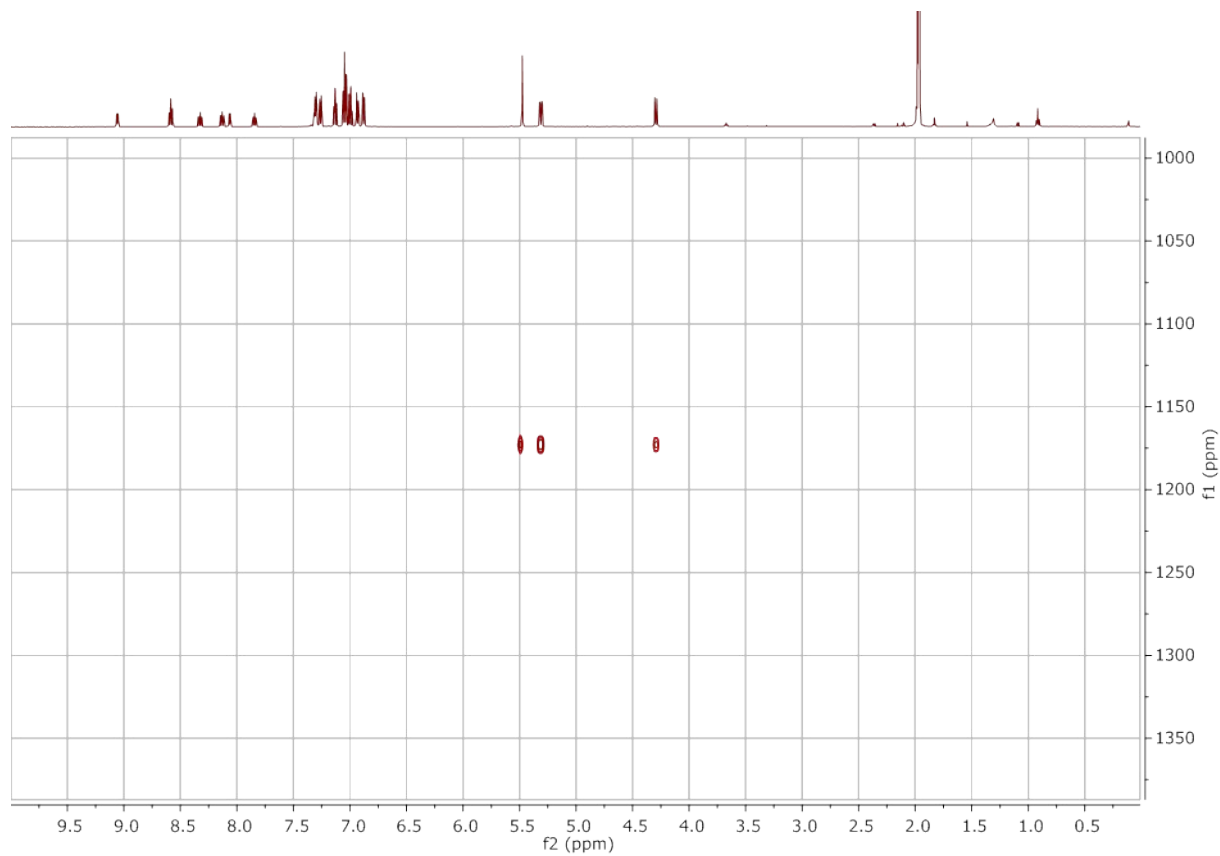
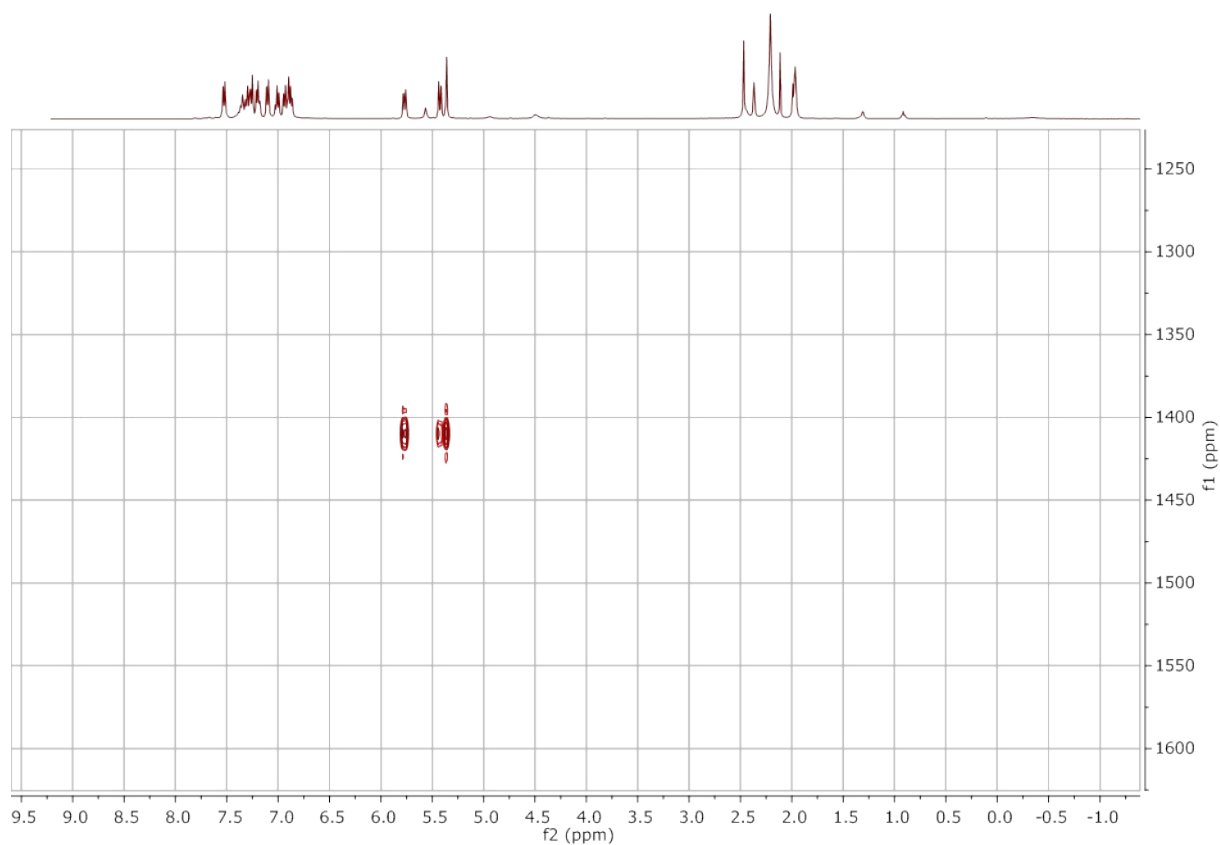


Figure S3. ¹H¹⁰³Rh correlated NMR spectra of **6** (top) and **7** (bottom).

Cyclic Voltammogram of 5

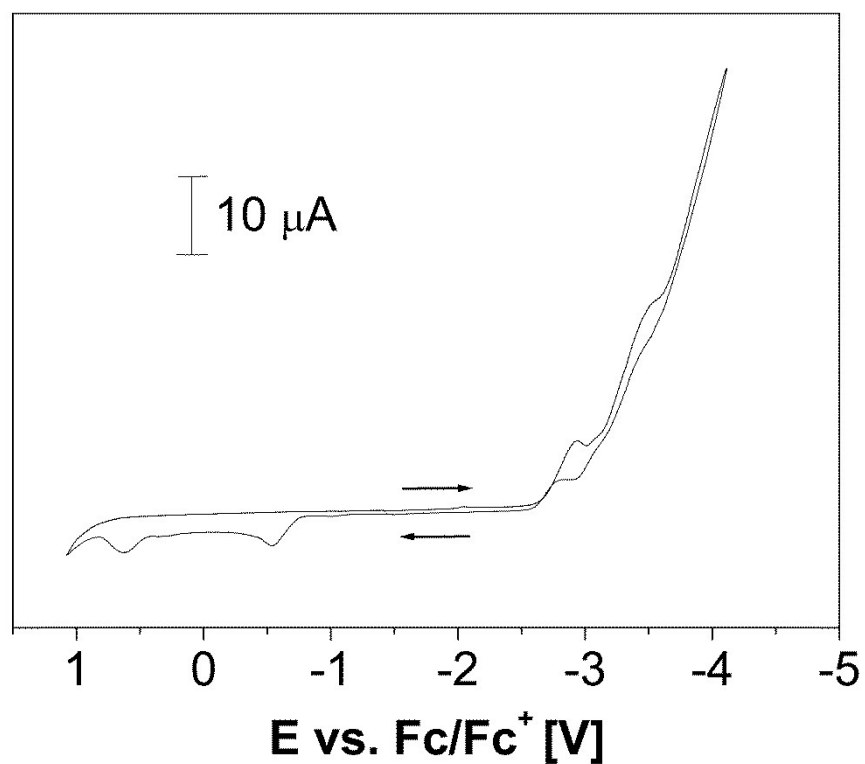


Figure S4. Cyclic voltammogram of **5** at 23 °C in THF / 0.1 M [(*n*Bu)₄N][PF₆] with a scan rate of 50 mV/s referenced vs. ferrocene/ferrocenium (Fc/Fc⁺).

Cyclic Voltammograms of 7

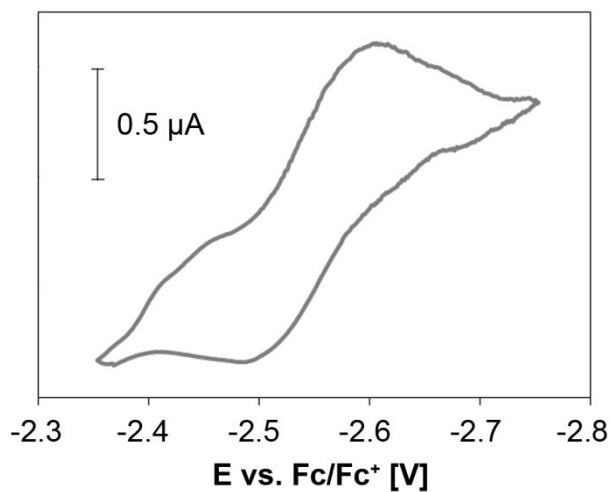


Figure S5. Cyclic voltammogram of **7** at 23 °C in THF / 0.1 M [(*n*Bu)₄N][PF₆] with a scan rate of 25 mV/s referenced vs. ferrocene/ferrocenium (Fc/Fc⁺); $E_1/E_1' = -2.55$ V.

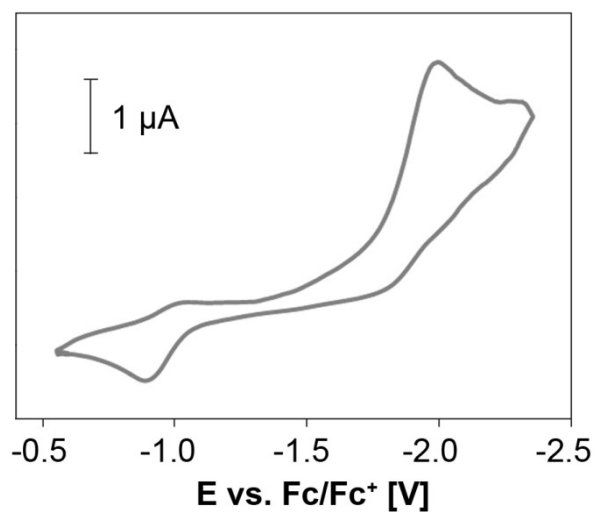


Figure S6. Cyclic voltammogram of **7** at 23 °C in THF / 0.1 M [(*n*Bu)₄N][PF₆] with a scan rate of 100 mV/s referenced vs. ferrocene/ferrocenium (Fc/Fc⁺); $E^{\text{red}} = -1.99$ V, $E^{\text{ox}} = -0.89$ V.

Solvent-Corrected Free Energies (G° , Hartree), Solvent-Corrected Enthalpies (H° , Hartree), and Cartesian Coordinates (Å) of Optimized Structures

Endo/endo-2

$G^\circ = -1231.342084$

$H^\circ = -1231.264902$

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Endo/exo-2

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