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Improved light absorbance does not lead to better DSC performance: studies on a ruthenium porphyrin-terpyridine conjugate

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Fig. S1. HMQC spectrum (¹H, 500 MHz; ¹³C, 126 MHz) of a CDCl₃ solution of compound **3** (295 K). * = residual CHCl₃. Chemical shifts in δ /ppm.



Fig. S2. HMBC spectrum (¹H, 500 MHz; ¹³C, 126 MHz) of a CDCl₃ solution of compound **3** (295 K). * = residual CHCl₃. Chemical shifts in δ /ppm.



Fig. S3. Reductive processes in the cyclic voltammogram of **3** (CH₂Cl₂, 0.1 M $[^{n}Bu_{4}][PF_{6}]$ as supporting electrolyte, scan rate of 0.1 V s⁻¹).



Fig. S4. Spectroelectrochemistry data for the reductive cycle of **3** (\approx 1 mM in CH₂Cl₂, [^{*n*}Bu₄N][PF₆] supporting electrolyte). (a) Absorption spectra before (blue line) and after (red line) the reductive cycle. (b) A spectrum was recorded every 0.1 V, starting from 0 V (first blue line at the front) to –1.8 V (last blue line) and back from –1.8 V (first red line) to 0 V (last red line). See caption to Fig. 6 for referencing to Fc/Fc⁺.