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π -stacking attraction vs electrostatic repulsion: competing supramolecular interactions in a tpphz-bridged Ru(II)/Au(III) complex

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Figure S1: ¹H-NMR spectra of **[Ru]** in acetonitrile-d₃ at different concentrations as indicated on the right hand side.



Figure S2: ¹H-NMR spectra of [RuAu] in acetonitrile-d₃ at different concentrations.



Figure S3: CONTIN calculation and mathematic fit of the DLS results obtained from a catalysis mixture of [RuAu] after 27 hours of illumination.



Figure S4: TEM images obtained from a catalysis solution of [RuAu] after 27 hours of illumination.



Figure S5: ORTEP depiction of the solid-state structure of [RuAu] (A), ellipsoids at 50% probability.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for [RuAu] (A)

Empirical formula	C67 H75 Au3.5 Cl10 F3 N11 O P0.5 Ru		
Formula weight	2267.81		
Temperature	180(2) K		
Wavelength	0.71073 Å		
Crystal system	Triclinic		
Space group	<i>P</i> -1		
Unit cell dimensions	a = 11.7043(3) Å	α= 78.063(2)°.	
	b = 15.0514(4) Å	β= 79.898(2)°.	
	c = 24.0777(4) Å	$\gamma = 67.501(2)^{\circ}$.	
Volume	3812.28(17) Å ³		
Z	2		
Density (calculated)	1.976 Mg/m ³		
Absorption coefficient	7.323 mm ⁻¹		
F(000)	2174		
Crystal size	0.1525 x 0.0947 x 0.0753 mm ³		
Theta range for data collection	3.424 to 26.372°.		
Index ranges	-14<=h<=12, -18<=k<=18, -30<=l<=28		
Reflections collected	43402		
Independent reflections	15558 [R(int) = 0.0362]		
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.7 %		
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²		
Data / restraints / parameters	15558 / 51 / 929		
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.031		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0381, $wR2 = 0.0785$		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0542, wR2 = 0.0855		
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.959 and -1.309 e·Å ⁻³		



Figure S6: ORTEP depiction of the solid-state structure of [RuAu] (B), ellipsoids at 50% probability.

Table 2. Crystal data and structure refinement for [RuAu] (B)

Empirical formula	C64 H70 Au4 Cl11 N10 O Ru		
Formula weight	2274.20		
Temperature	100(2) K		
Wavelength	0.71073 Å		
Crystal system	Triclinic		
Space group	<i>P</i> -1		
Unit cell dimensions	a = 11.2792(14) Å	α= 78.519(2)°.	
	b = 15.2758(19) Å	β= 78.669(2)°.	
	c = 23.259(3) Å	$\gamma = 68.620(2)^{\circ}$.	
Volume	3623.2 (8) Å ³		
Z	2		
Density (calculated)	2.085 Mg/m ³		
Absorption coefficient	8.727 mm ⁻¹		
F(000)	2158		
Crystal size	$0.14 \text{ x } 0.12 \text{ x } 0.09 \text{ mm}^3$		
Theta range for data collection	2.36 to 27.19°.		
Index ranges	-14<=h<=12, -19<=k<=19, -29<=l<=29		
Reflections collected	56329		
Independent reflections	15930 [R(int) = 0.0541]		
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.4 %		
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²		
Data / restraints / parameters	15930 / 114 / 921		
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.061		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0569, wR2 = 0.1399		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0786, wR2 = 0.1544		
Largest diff. peak and hole	5.958 and -7.342 e·Å ⁻³		





RuPt Figure S7: ESP maps of [Ru] and [RuPt].



State number	Transition	Weight (%)	E^e (eV)	λ (nm)	f	$\langle S^2 \rangle$
S5	228 ->232	78	2.24	554	0.035	0.000
	228 ->233	19				
S17	228 ->234	88	2.64	469	0.012	0.000
	229 ->235	5				
S22	217 ->231	97	2.81	441	0.032	0.000
S23	228 ->235	78	2.84	436	0.190	0.000
	228 ->236	14				
S25	229 ->236	47	2.87	431	0.015	0.000
	228 ->237	44				
	229 ->235	5				
S28	228 ->236	53	2.92	424	0.075	0.000
	229 ->237	36				
	228 ->235	5				
S30	228 ->237	51	2.99	415	0.150	0.000
	229 ->236	45				
S31	229 ->237	44	3.15	393	0.033	0.000
	230 ->238	21				
	228 ->236	20				
S34	229 ->238	78	3.44	360	0.083	0.000
	227 ->232	7				
S36	227 ->232	77	3.45	359	0.023	0.000
	229 ->238	8				
	227 ->233	7				
S40	224 ->232	81	3.54	349	0.316	0.000
	225 ->234	6				

Table S3: Calculated excited states properties of [RuAu].

Table S4: Calculated excited states properties of [Ru].

State number	Transition	Weight (%)	E^e (eV)	λ (nm)	f	$\left< S^2 \right>$
S ₆	$d_{Ru}(203) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tophz}(205) (MLCT)$	82	2.68	463	0.126	0.0
	$d_{Ru}(203) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tophz}(206) (MLCT)$	11				
S ₁₁	$d_{Ru}(203) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tophz}(206) (MLCT)$	34	2.95	421	0.161	0.0
	$d_{Ru}(202) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tbbpy}(209) (MLCT)$	25				
	$d_{Ru}(202) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tpphz}(207) (MLCT)$	18				
	$d_{\text{Ru}}(203) \rightarrow \pi^*_{\text{tpphz}}(205) \text{ (MLCT)}$	7				
	$d_{Ru}(203) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tbbpy}(208) (MLCT)$	7				
	$d_{Ru}(204) \to \pi^*_{tpphz}(207) (MLCT)$	6				
S ₁₂	$d_{Ru}(202) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tbbpy}(208) (MLCT)$	47	2.95	421	0.158	0.0
	$d_{Ru}(203) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tbbpy}(209) (MLCT)$	40				
	$d_{Ru}(202) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tpphz}(206) \text{ (MLCT)}$	6				
	$d_{Ru}(203) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tpphz}(207) \text{ (MLCT)}$	5				
S ₁₃	$d_{Ru}(202) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tpphz}(207) (MLCT)$	67	3.06	405	0.067	0.0
	$d_{Ru}(202) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tbbpy}(209) (MLCT)$	29				
S ₁₇	$\pi_{\text{tpphz}}(200) \rightarrow \pi^*_{\text{tpphz}}(205) (\text{IL})$	86	3.47	358	0.386	0.0
	$\pi_{\text{tpphz}}(201) \rightarrow \pi^*_{\text{tpphz}}(207) (\text{IL})$	10				
S ₃₀	$d_{Ru}(204) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tbbpy}(214) (MLCT)$	45	3.94	315	0.516	0.0
	$\pi_{\text{tpphz}}(201) \rightarrow \pi^*_{\text{tpphz}}(207) (\text{IL})$	32				
S ₃₃	$\pi_{\text{tpphz}}(201) \rightarrow \pi^*_{\text{tpphz}}(207) (\text{IL})$	43	3.96	313	0.490	0.0
	$d_{Ru}(204) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tbbpy}(214) (MLCT)$	19				
	$d_{Ru}(202) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tbbpy}(213) (MLCT)$	7				
	$\pi_{\text{tpphz}}(200) \rightarrow \pi^*_{\text{tpphz}}(205) \text{ (IL)}$	6				
	$d_{Ru}(202) \rightarrow \pi^*_{tbbpy}(214) (MLCT)$	5				

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Table S5: Orbitals of [RuAu].



