

Synthesis, luminescence, and electrochemical studies of a tetra- and an octanuclear ruthenium(II) complexes of tolylterpyridine appended calixarenes

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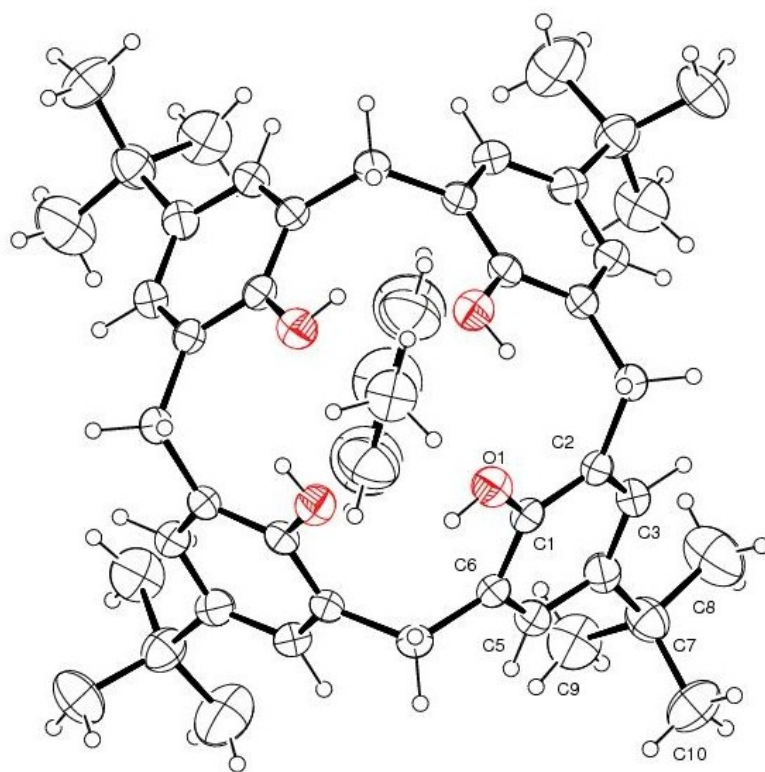


Figure S1. ORTEP representation of **1** with atoms represented as 35% probability thermal ellipsoids.

Table S1. The crystal structure data of 5,11,17,23-tetra-*tert*-butyl-25,26,27,28-tetrahydroxy-calix[4]arene (1)

Description	1
empirical formula	C ₅₁ H ₆₄ O ₄
formula weight	741.02
<i>T</i> , K	293(2)
λ , Å	0.71073
crystal system	tetragonal
space group	<i>P</i> 4/ <i>n</i>
<i>a</i> , Å	12.754(5)
<i>b</i> , Å	12.754(5)
<i>c</i> , Å	13.787(6)
α , deg	90
β , deg	90
γ , deg	90
<i>V</i> , Å ³	2243(2)
<i>Z</i>	2
ρ_{calcd} , mg m ⁻³	1.097
absorption coefficient, mm ⁻¹	0.067
<i>F</i> (0 0 0)	804
shape / colour	Block / colourless
θ range for data collection, deg	2.175 to 24.99
reflections collected / unique	21156 / 1990 [R(int) = 0.0281]
absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
max. and min. transmission	0.96 and 0.93
refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ²
data/restraints/parameters	1990/154/184
goodness of fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.103
final R indices [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)] ^a	R1 = 0.0500, wR2 = 0.1381
R indices (all data) ^a	R1 = 0.0755, wR2 = 0.1722
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.188 and -0.250e Å ⁻³

^a R1 = $\Sigma||F_o| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_o|$; wR2 = $[\Sigma\{w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)\}^2 / \Sigma\{wF_o^2\}]^{1/2}$.

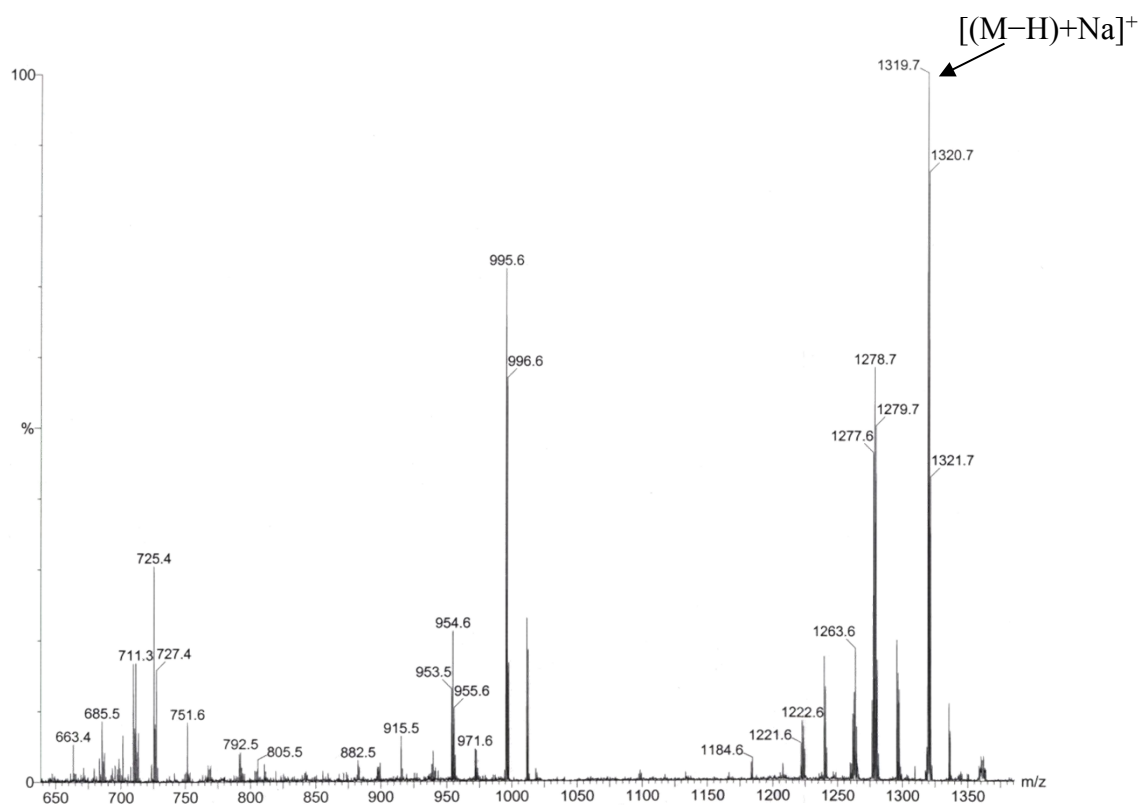


Figure S2. MALDI-TOF mass spectrum of 5,11,17,23,29,35,41,47-octa-*tert*-butyl-49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56-octahydroxycalix[8]arene (**2**).

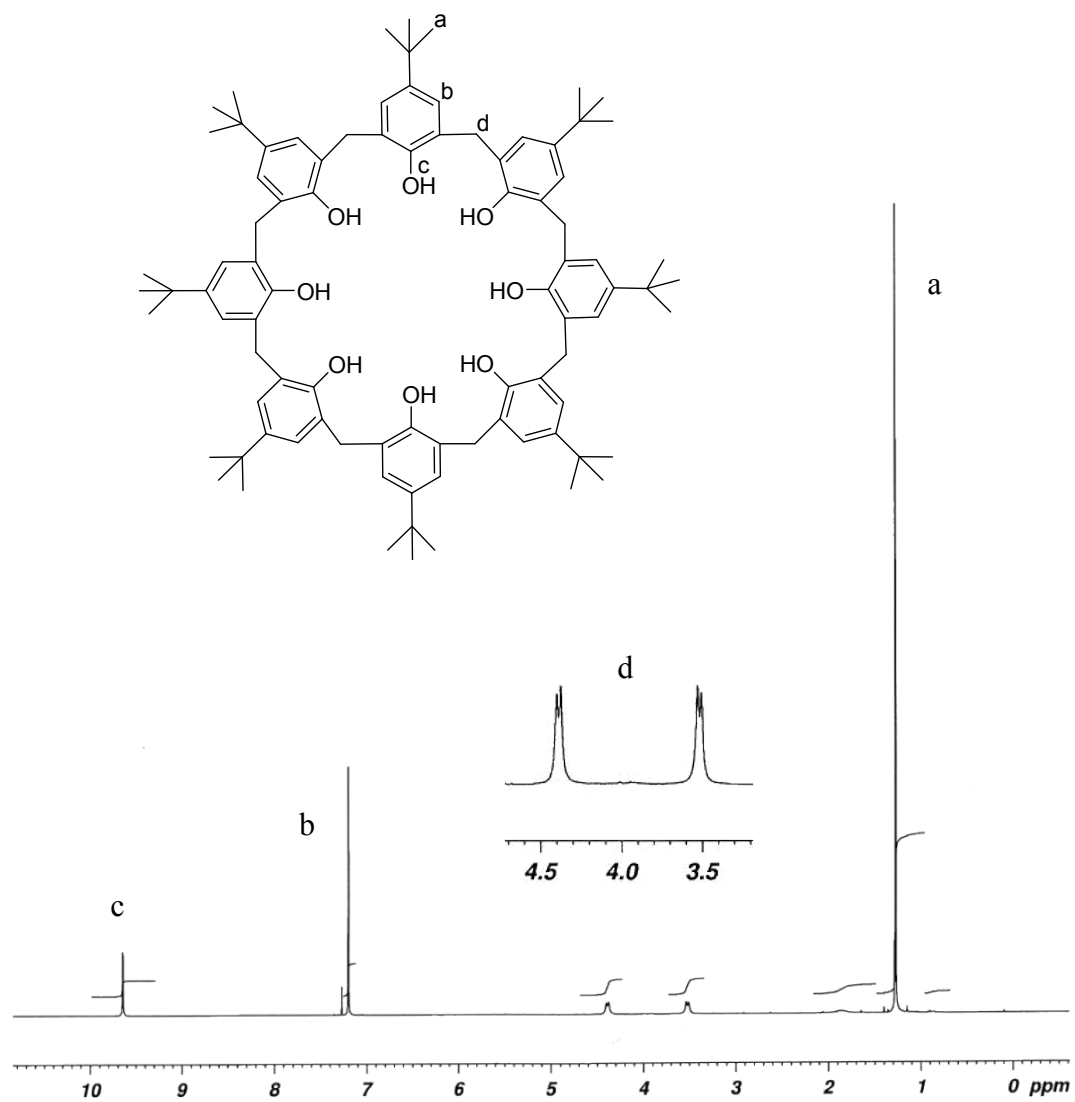


Figure S3. 500 MHz ¹H NMR spectrum of 5,11,17,23,29,35,41,47-octa-*tert*-butyl-49,50,51,52,53, 54, 55,56-octahydroxycalix[8]arene (**2**) in CDCl₃.

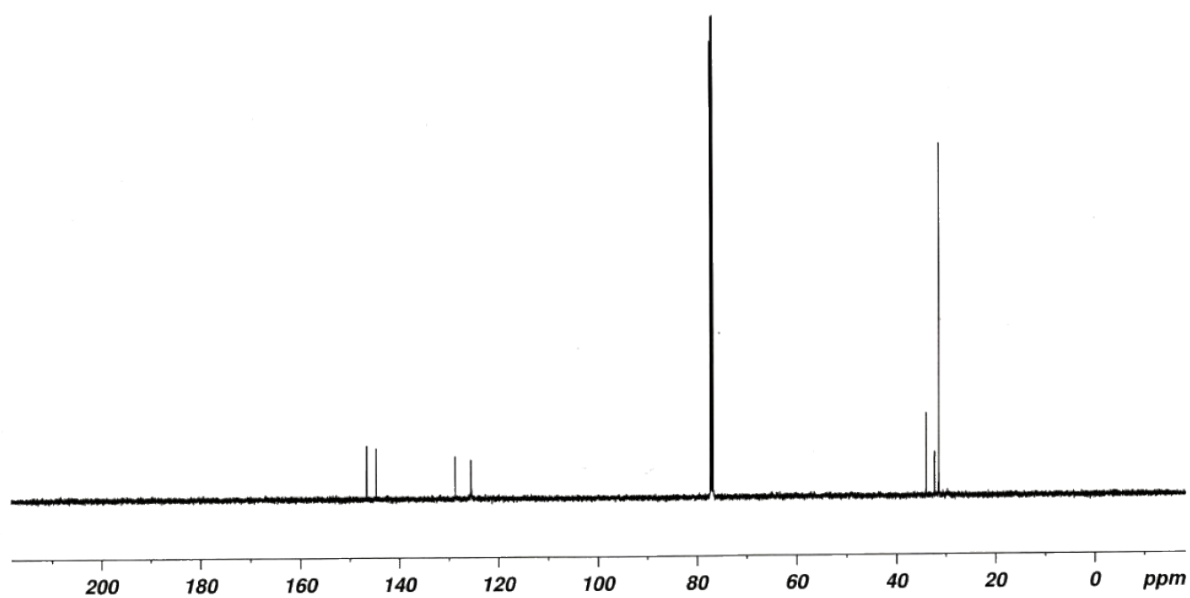


Figure S4. 125 MHz ^{13}C NMR spectrum of 5,11,17,23,29,35,41,47-octa-*tert*-butyl-49,50,51,52,53, 54, 55,56-octahydroxycalix[8]arene (**2**) in CDCl_3 .

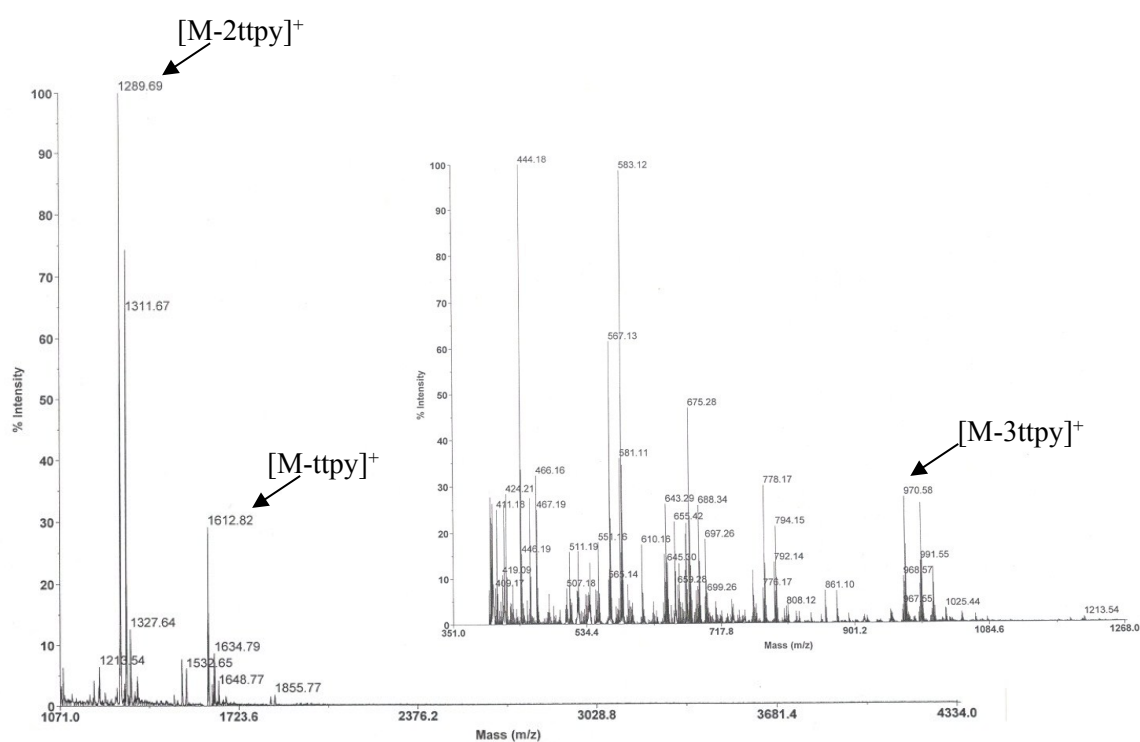


Figure S5. MALDI-TOF mass spectrum of 5,11,17,23-tetra-*tert*-butyl-25,26,27,28-tetra(4'-*p*-benzyl-oxy-(2,2':6',2''-terpyridinyl))calix[4]arene (**L1**).

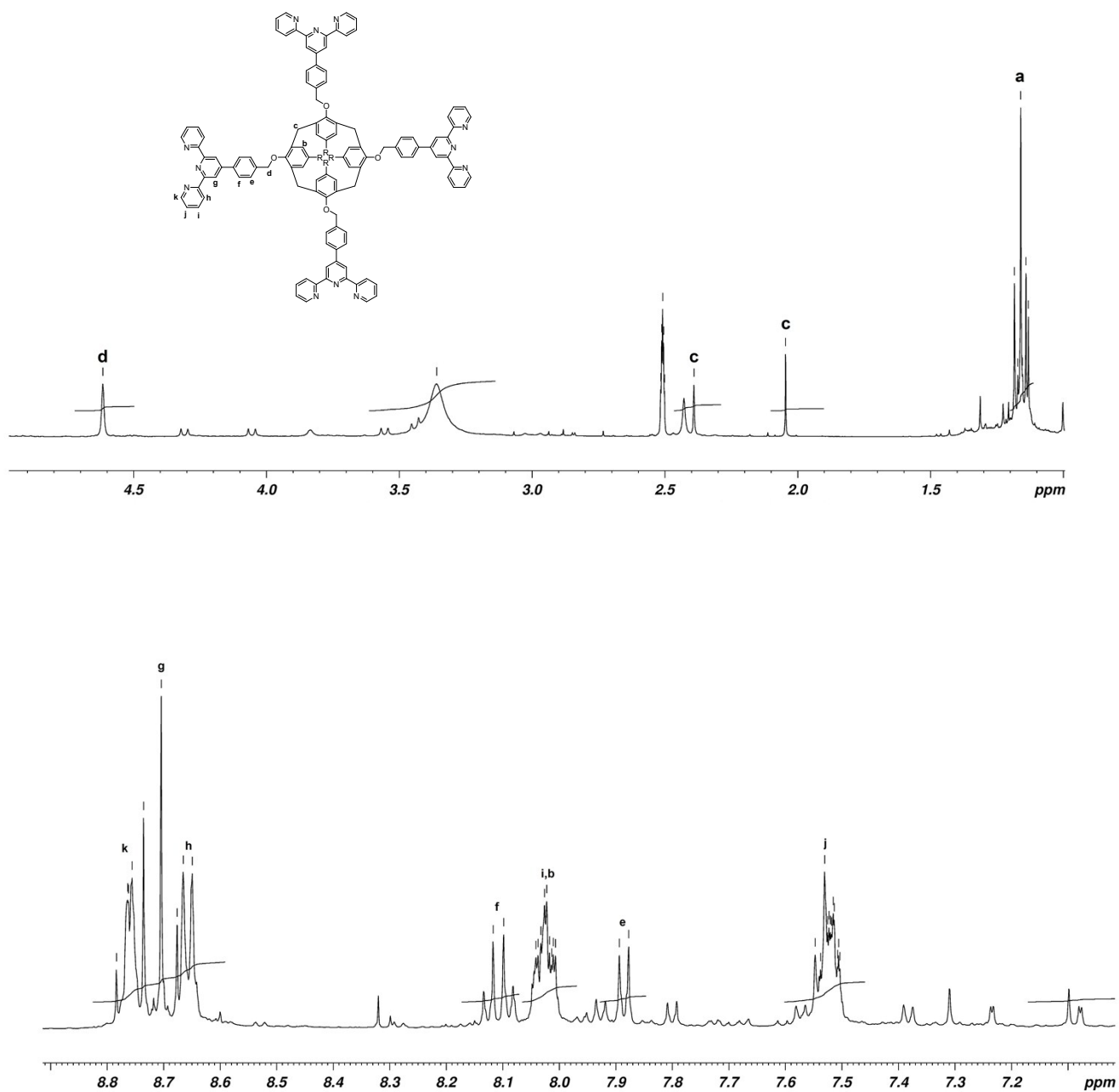


Figure S6. 500 MHz ¹H NMR spectrum of 5,11,17,23-tetra-*tert*-butyl-25,26,27,28-tetra(4'-*p*-benzyl-oxy-(2,2':6',2''-terpyridinyl))calix[4]arene (**L**¹) in DMSO-*d*₆.

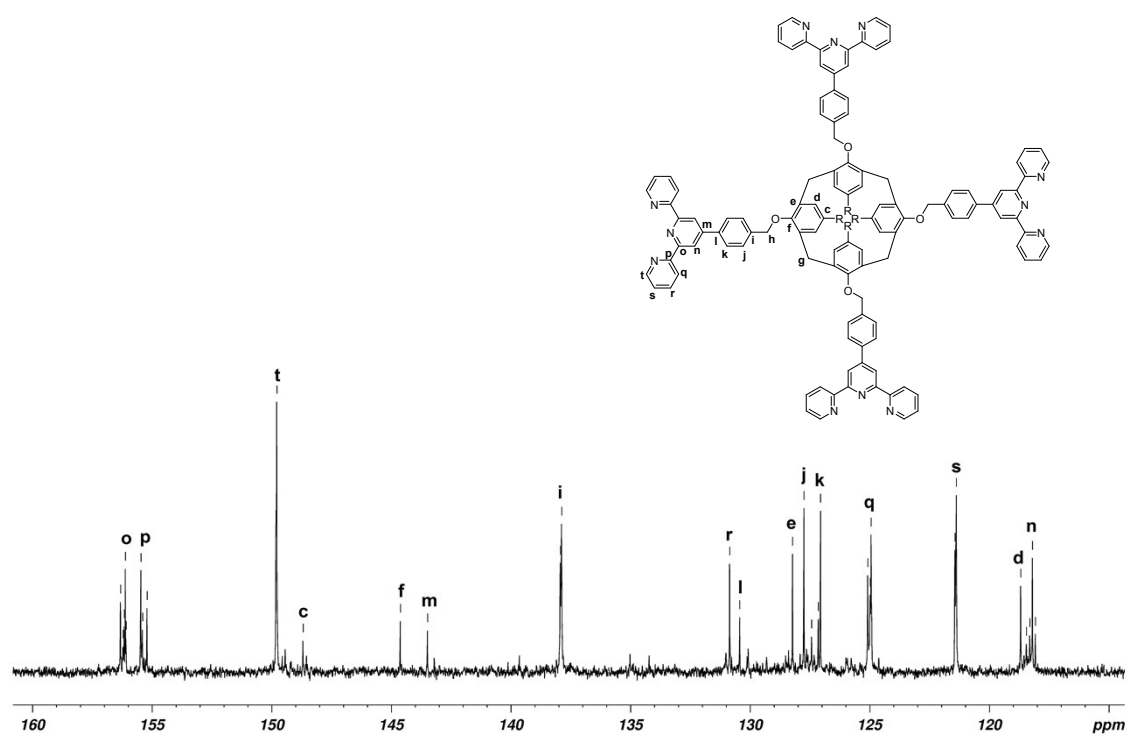


Figure S7. 125 MHz ¹³C NMR spectrum of 5,11,17,23-tetra-*tert*-butyl-25,26,27,28-tetra(4'-*p*-benzyl-oxy-(2,2':6',2''-terpyridinyl))calix[4]arene (**L**¹) in DMSO-*d*₆.

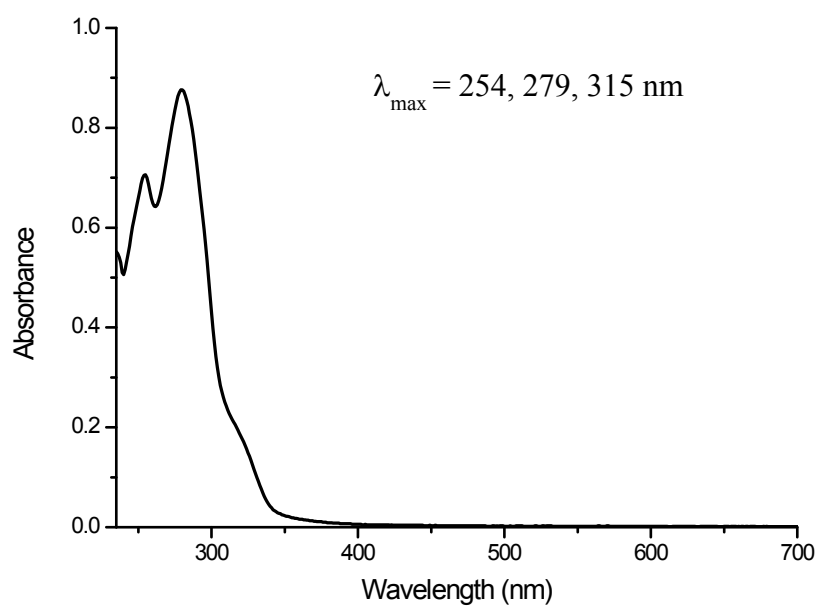


Figure S8. Electronic absorption spectrum of 5,11,17,23-tetra-*tert*-butyl-25,26,27,28-tetra(4'-*p*-benzyloxy-(2,2':6',2''-terpyridinyl))calix[4]arene (**L**¹) in CHCl₃ at 25 °C.

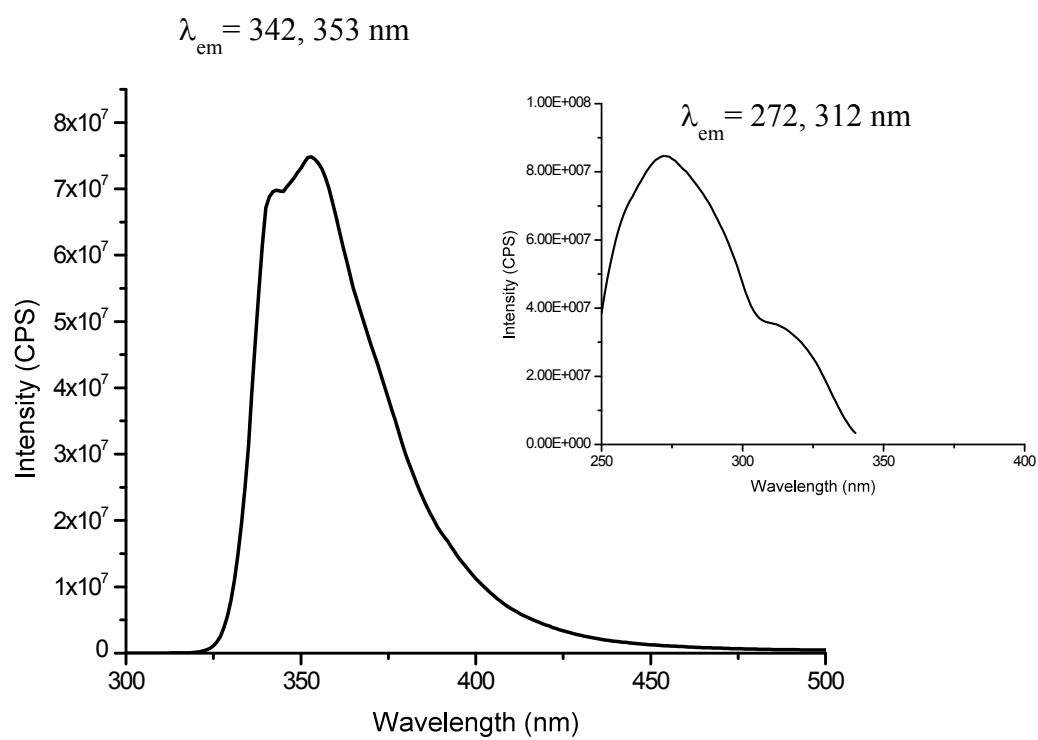


Figure S9. Emission spectrum of **L**¹ in CHCl3 at 298 K ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 272 \text{ nm}$); inset: excitation spectrum ($\lambda_{\text{em}} = 342, 353 \text{ nm}$).

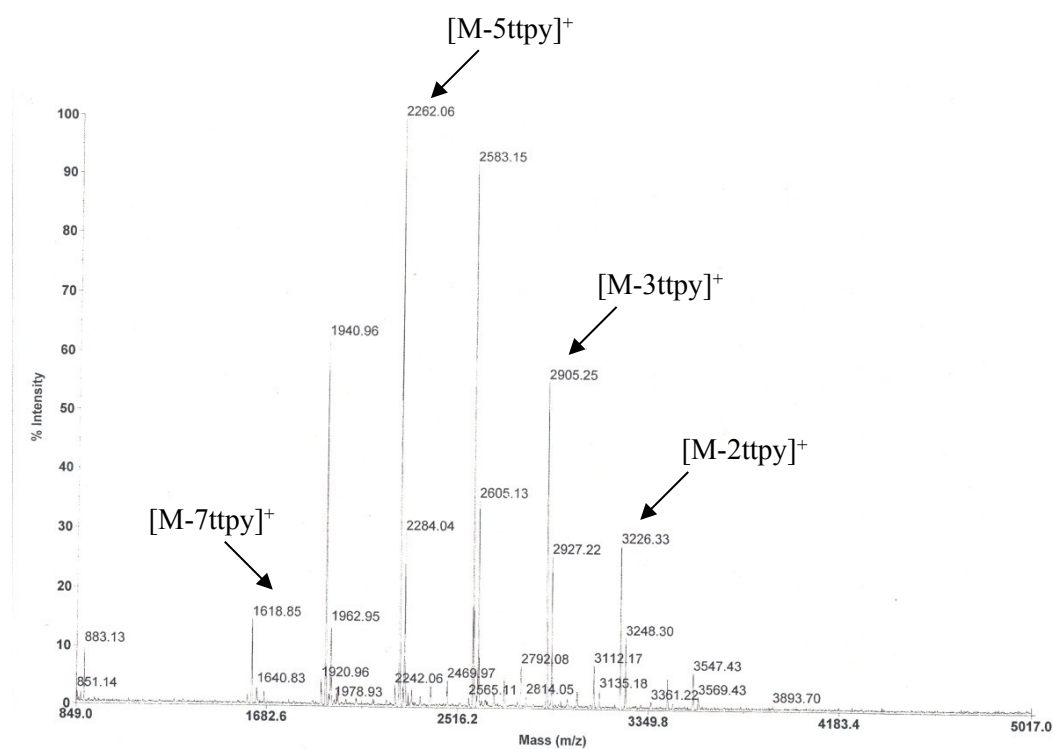


Figure S10. MALDI-TOF mass spectrum of 5,11,17,23,29,35,41,47-octa-*tert*-butyl-49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56-octa(4'-*p*-benzyloxy-(2,2':6',2''-terpyridinyl))calix[8]arene (L^2).

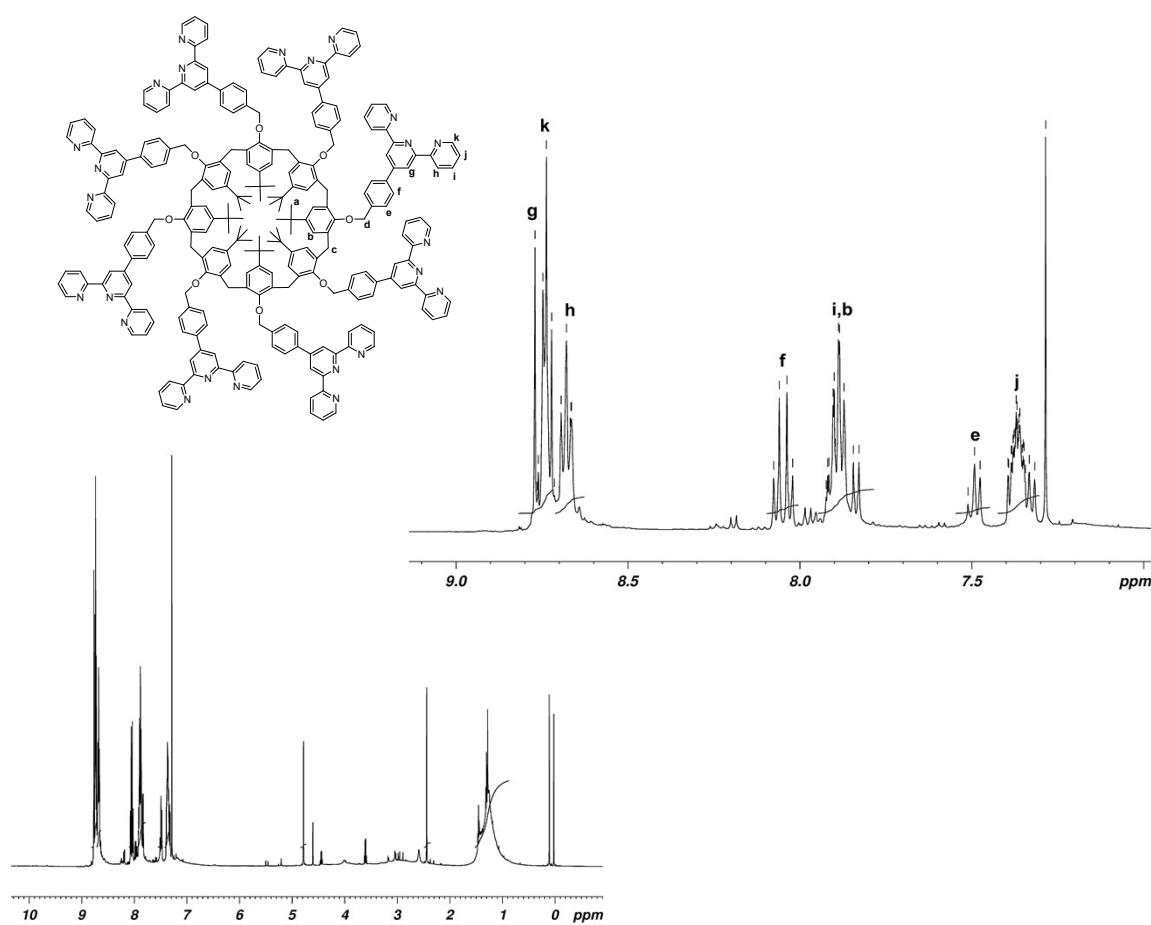


Figure S11. 500 MHz ¹H NMR spectrum of 5,11,17,23,29,35,41,47-octa-*tert*-butyl-49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56-octa(4'-*p*-benzyloxy-(2,2':6',2''-terpyridinyl))calix[8]arene (**L**²) in CDCl₃.

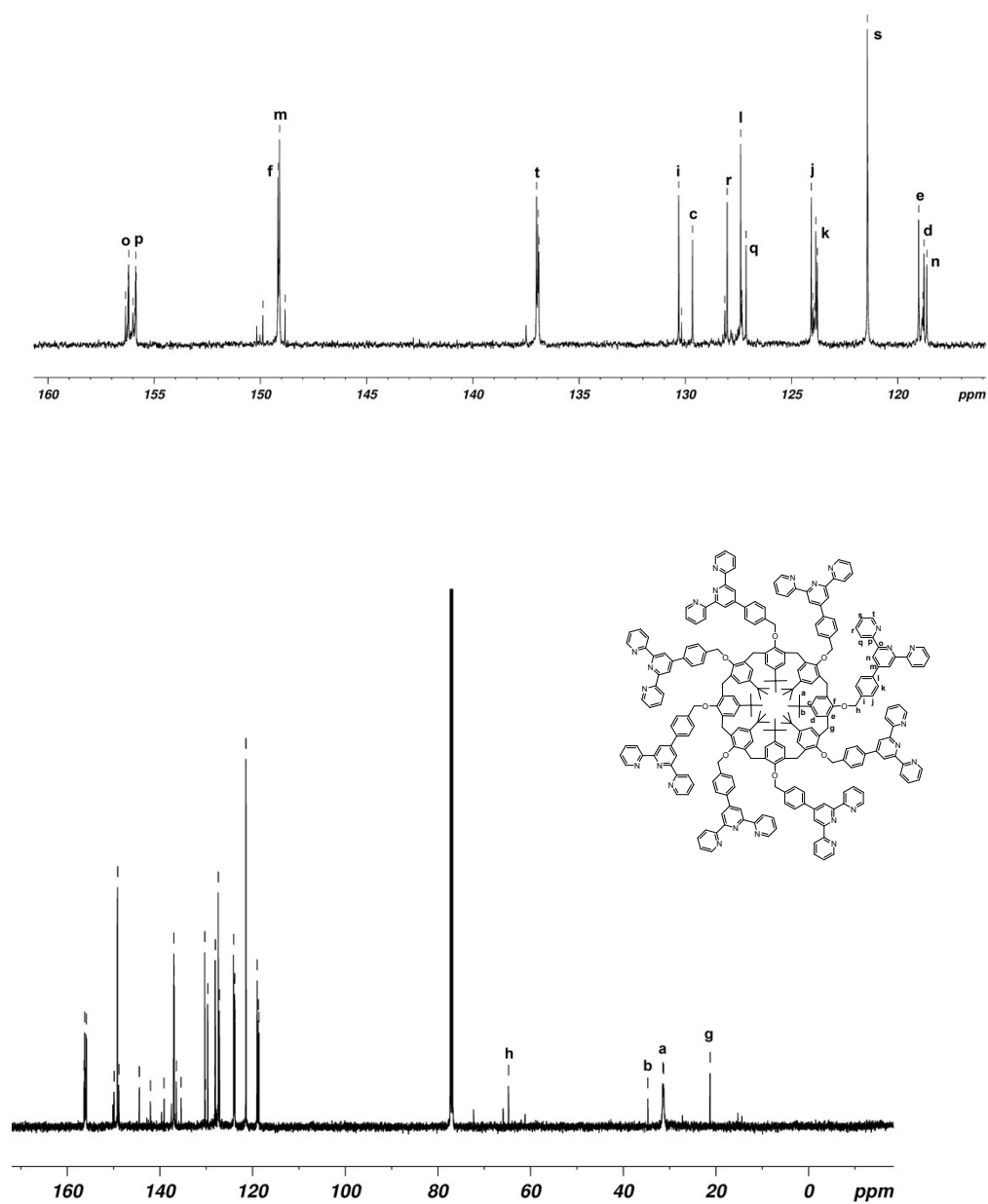


Figure S12. 125 MHz ¹³C NMR spectrum of 5,11,17,23,29,35,41,47-octa-*tert*-butyl-49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56-octa(4'-*p*-benzyloxy-(2,2':6',2''-terpyridinyl))calix[8]arene (L²) in CDCl₃.

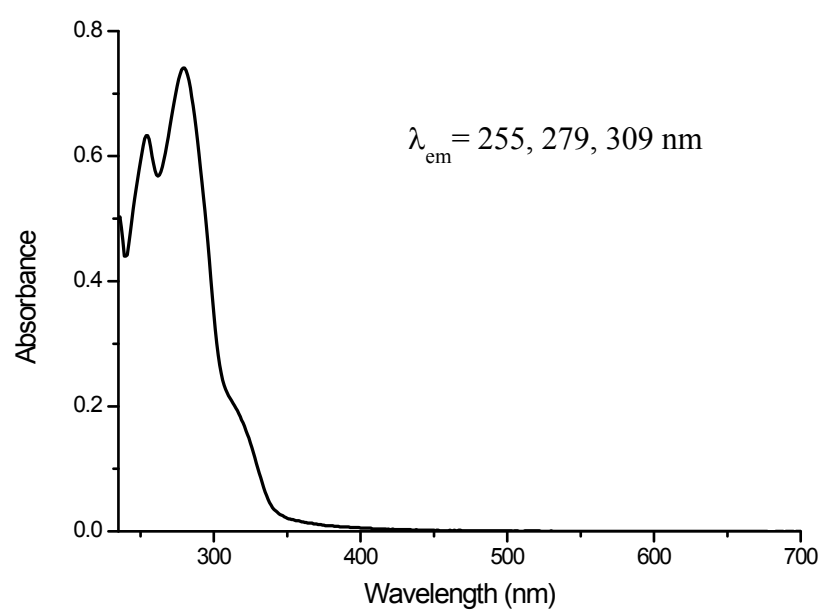


Figure S13. Electronic absorption spectrum of L^2 in $CHCl_3$ at 25 °C.

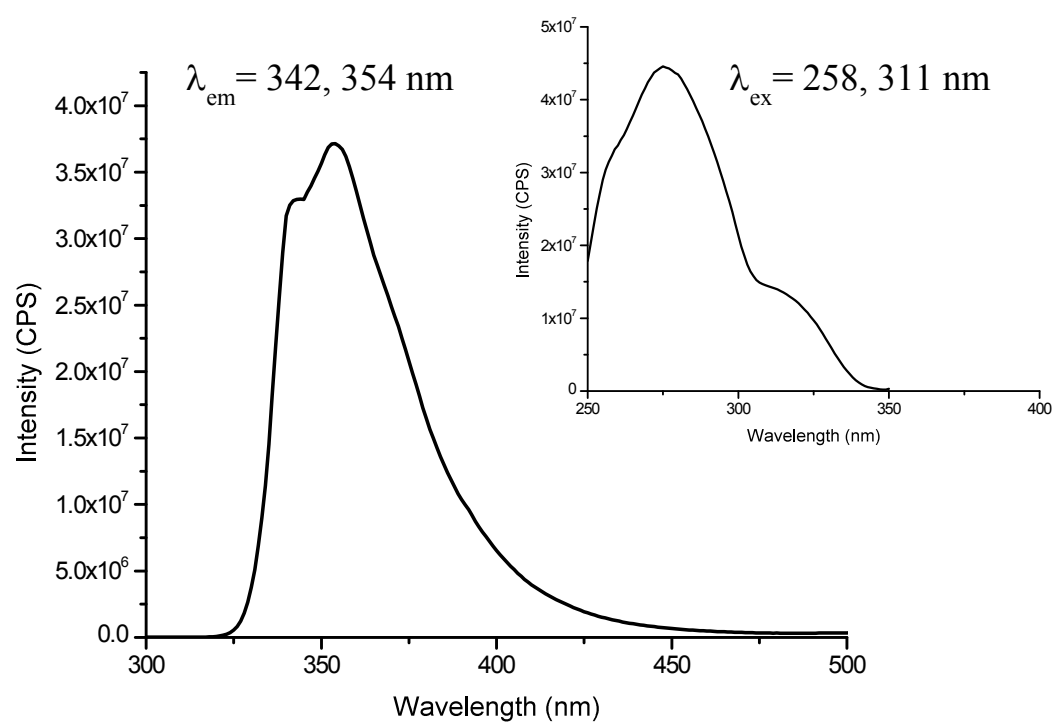


Figure S14. Emission spectrum of L^2 in $CHCl_3$ at 298 K ($\lambda_{ex} = 275 \text{ nm}$), inset: excitation spectrum ($\lambda_{em} = 342, 354 \text{ nm}$).

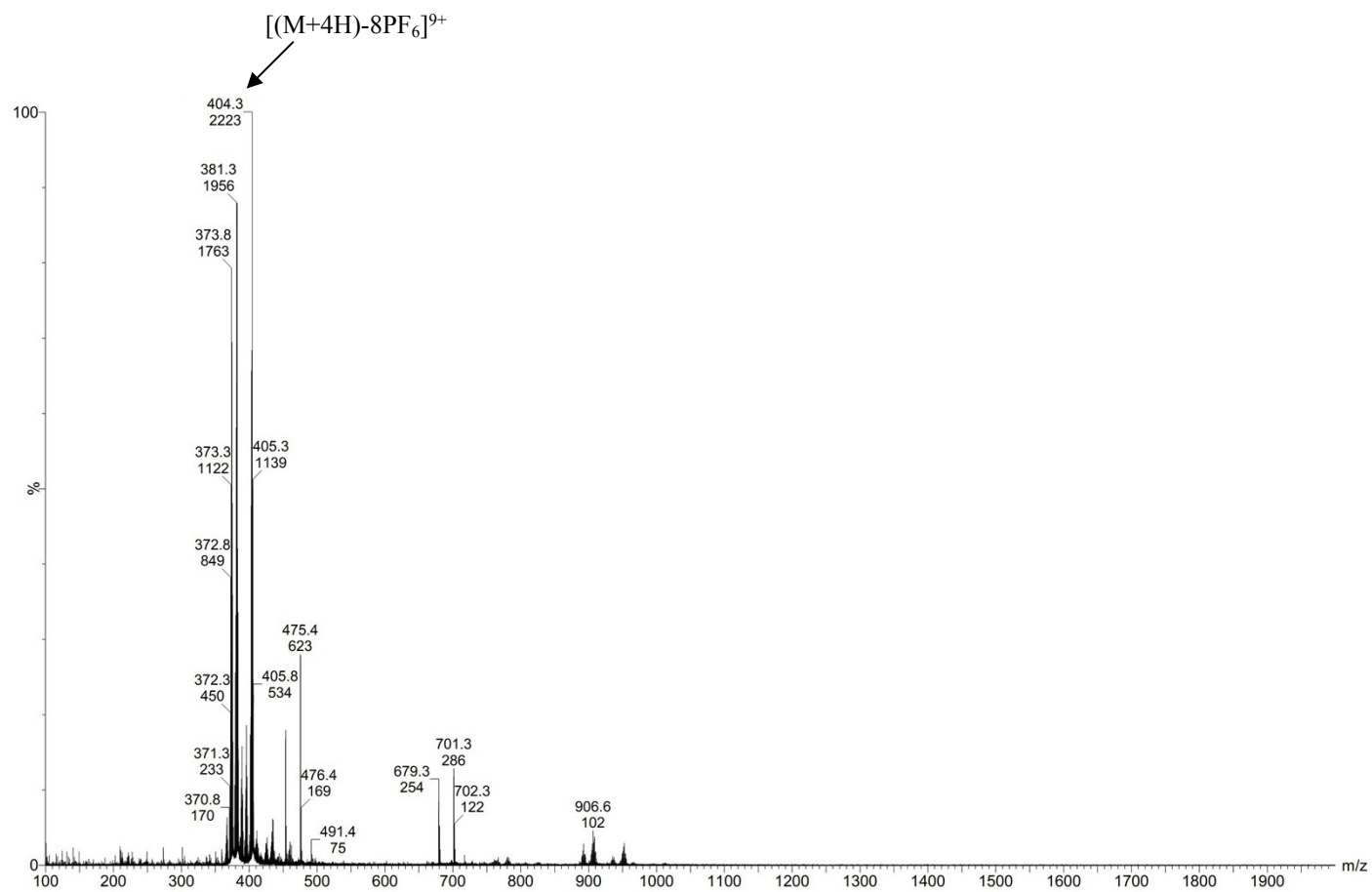


Figure S15. ESI-TOF mass spectrum of $[\text{Ru}(\text{tpy})_4(\text{L}^1)](\text{PF}_6)_8$ (**3**).

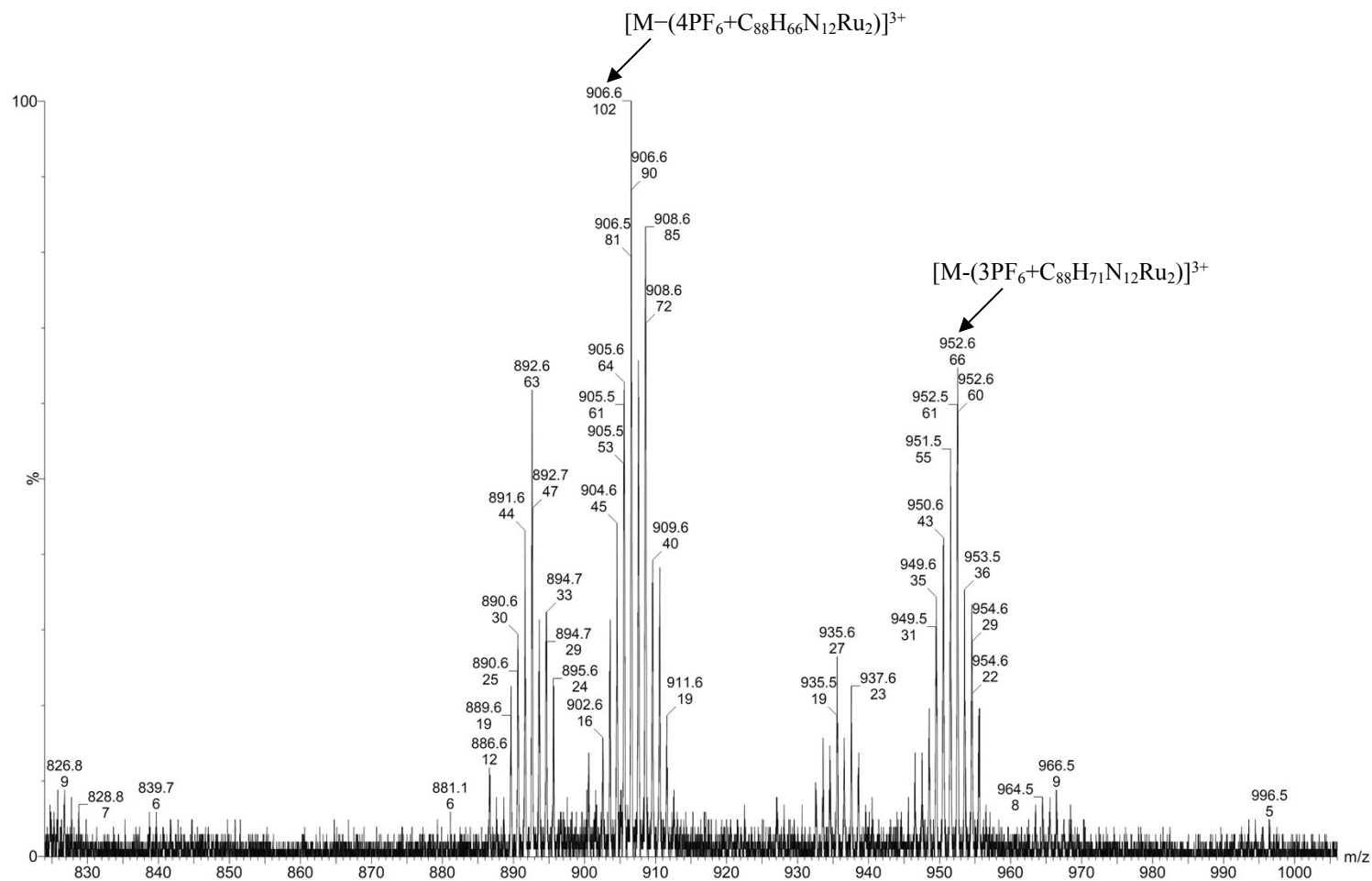
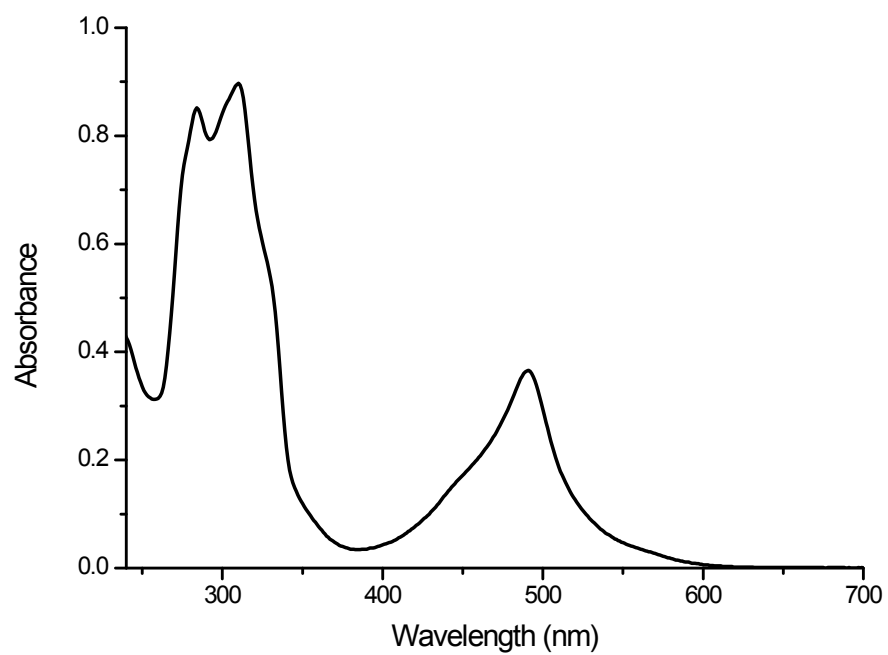


Figure S15a. ESI-TOF mass spectrum of $[\text{Ru}(\text{tpy})_4(\text{L}^1)](\text{PF}_6)_8$ (**3**) (expanded).



$$\lambda_{\text{max}} = 284, 309, 325, 490 \text{ nm}$$

Figure S16. Electronic absorption spectrum of [$\{\text{Ru}(\text{tpy})_4(\text{L1})\}(\text{PF}_6)_8$ (**3**)] in CH_3CN at 25 °C.

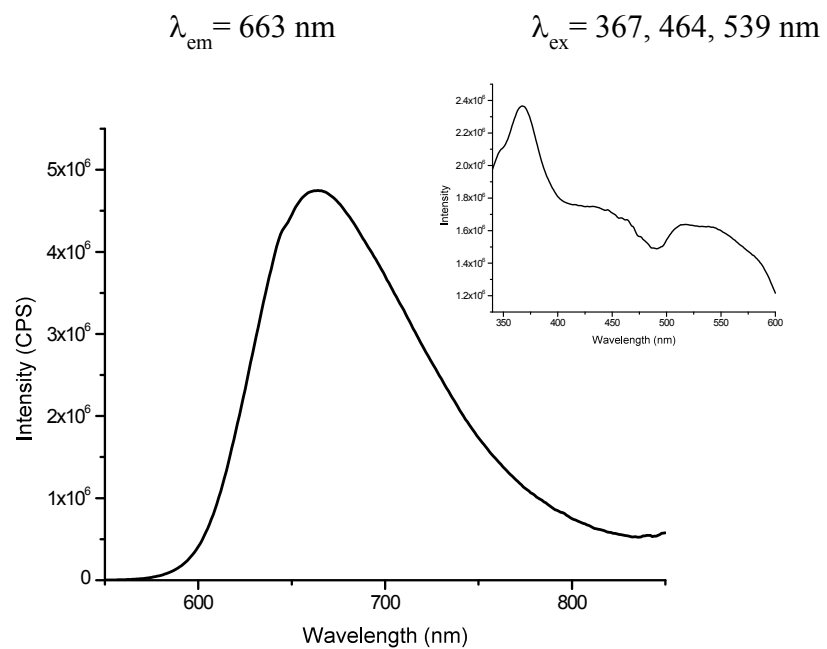


Figure S17. Emission spectrum of $[\{\text{Ru}(\text{tpy})_4(\text{L}^1)\}(\text{PF}_6)_8 \text{ (3)}$ in solid state at 25 °C, inset: excitation spectrum ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 367 \text{ nm}$).

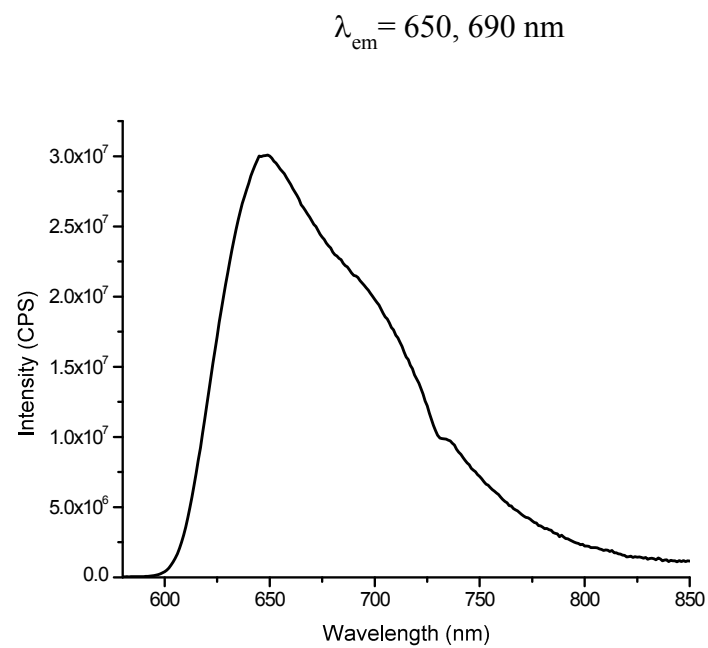


Figure S18. Emission spectrum of $[\{\text{Ru}(\text{tpy})_4(\text{L}^1)\}(\text{PF}_6)_8 \text{ (3)}$ in CH_3CN at 77 K.

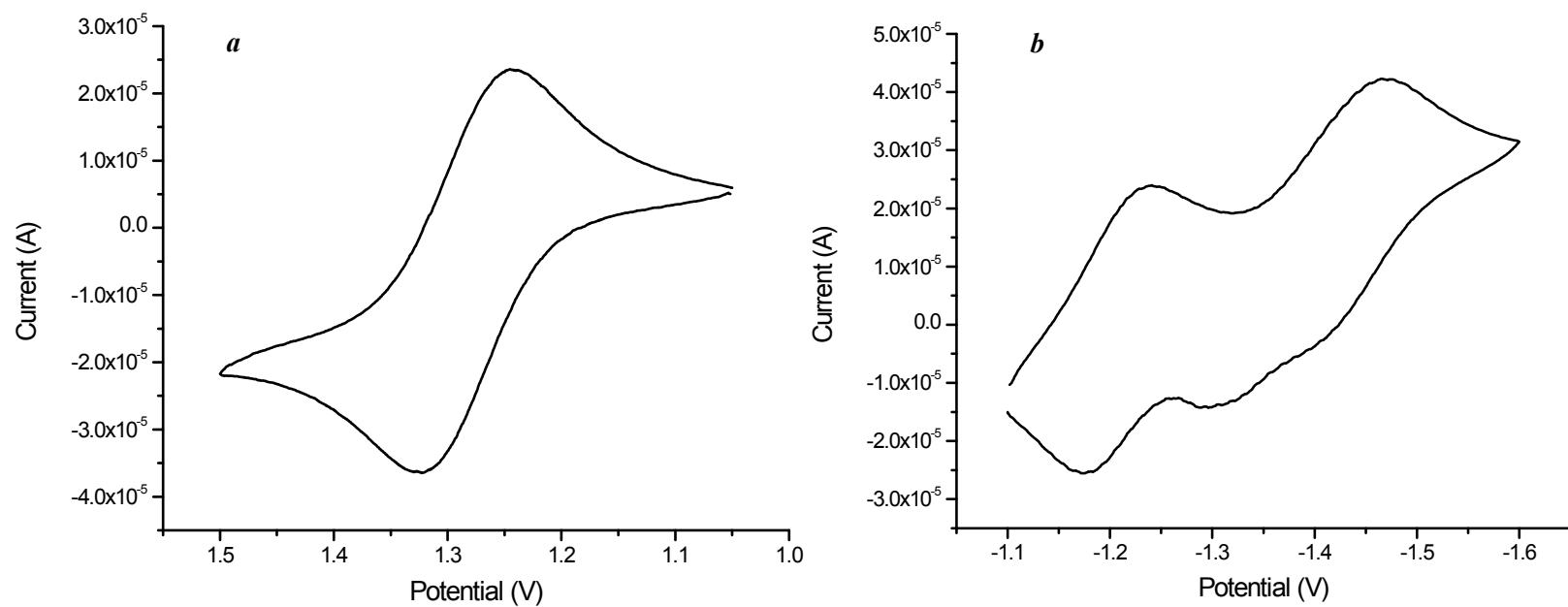


Figure S19. Cyclic voltammogram of $[\text{Ru}(\text{tppy})_4(\text{L}^1)](\text{PF}_6)_8$ (**3**) on a glassy carbon millielectrode in acetonitrile (0.1 M Et_4NClO_4) versus Ag/Ag^+ at 25 °C, scan rate = 50 mVs^{-1} , (a) positive potential and (b) negative potential window.

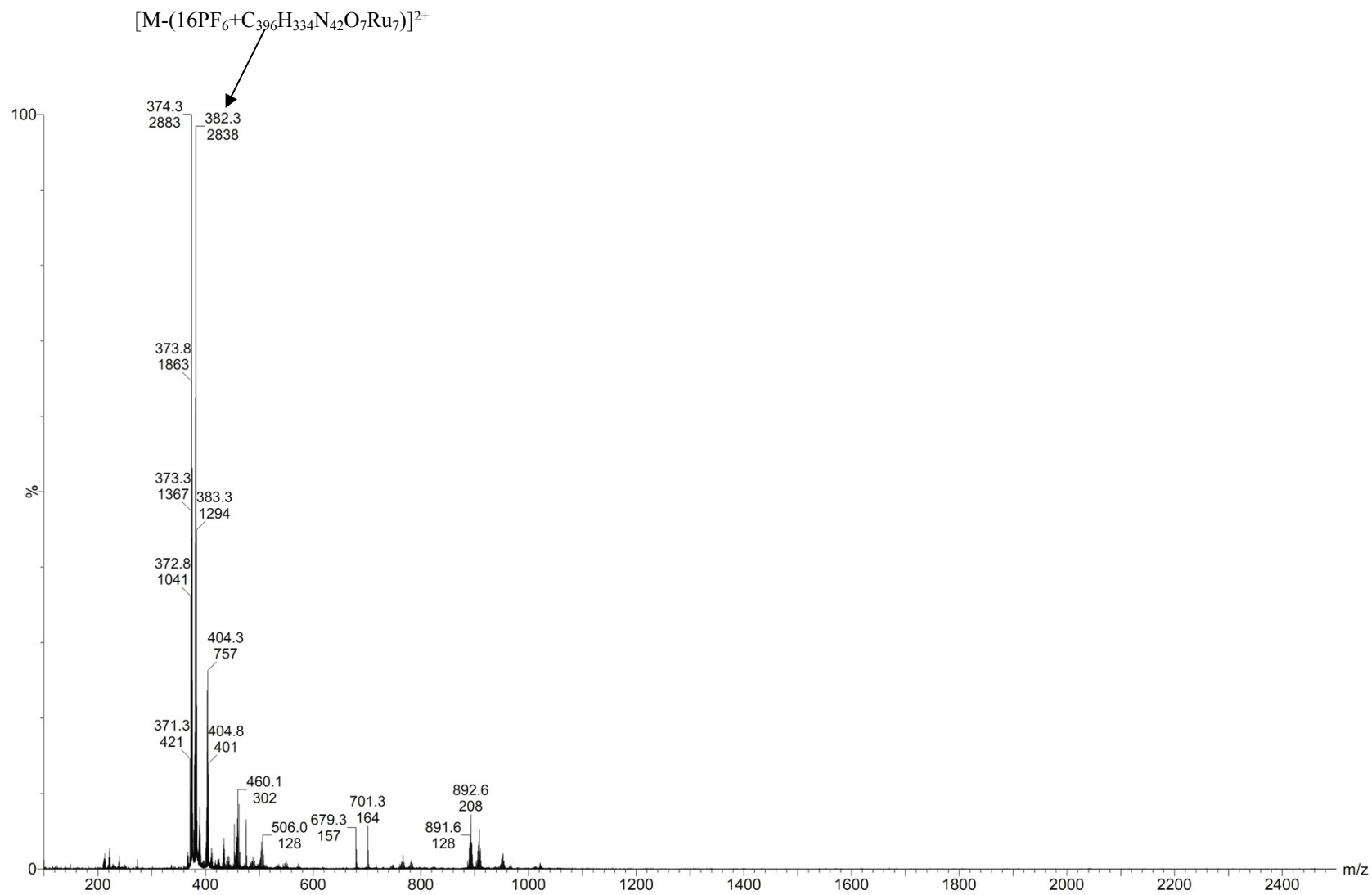


Figure S20. ESI-TOF mass spectrum of $[\{ Ru(tpy) \}_3(L^2)](PF_6)_{16}$ (**4**).

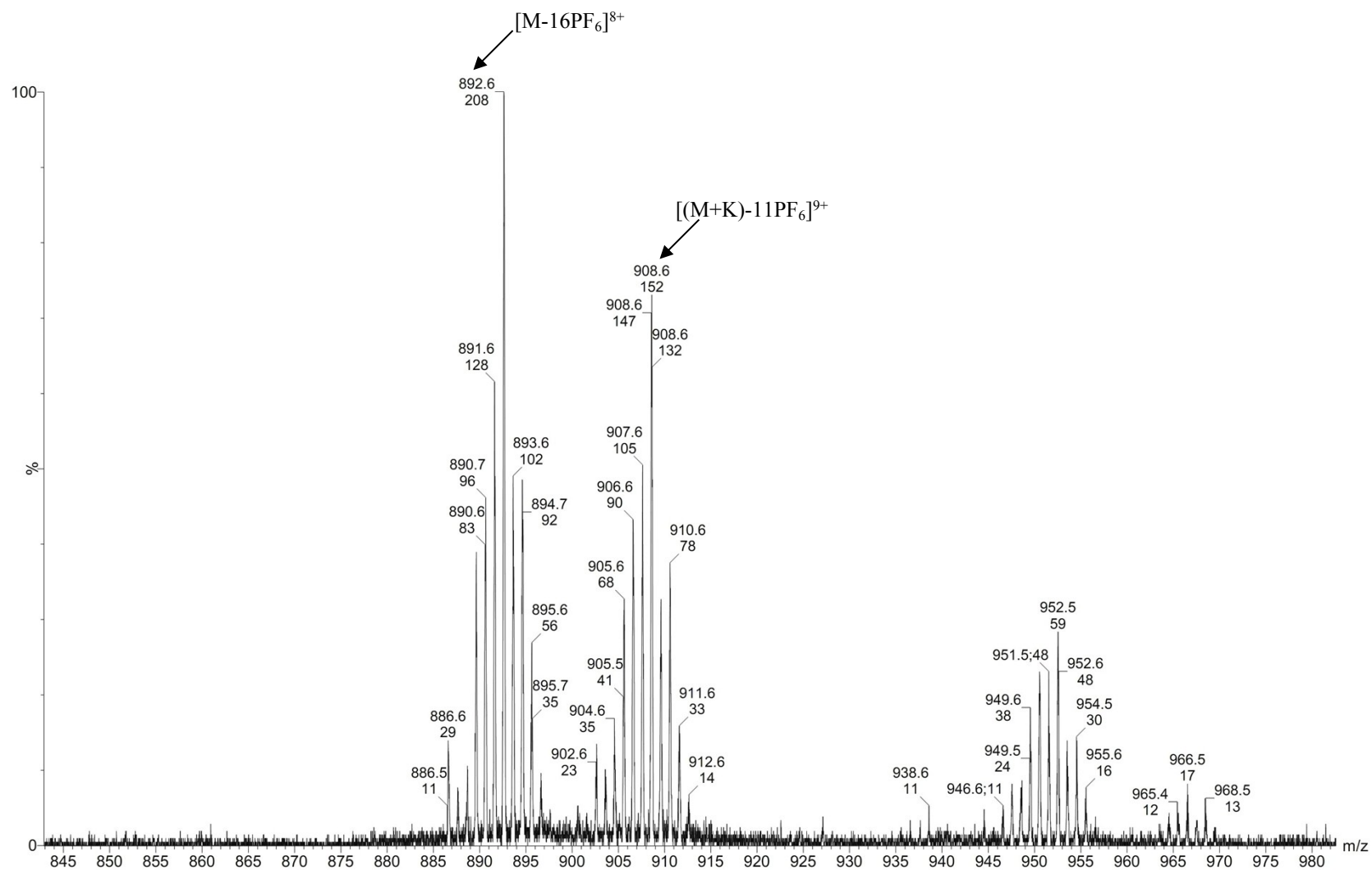


Figure S20a. ESI-TOF mass spectrum of $[\text{Ru}(\text{tpy})_3(\text{L}^2)](\text{PF}_6)_6$ (**4**) (expanded).

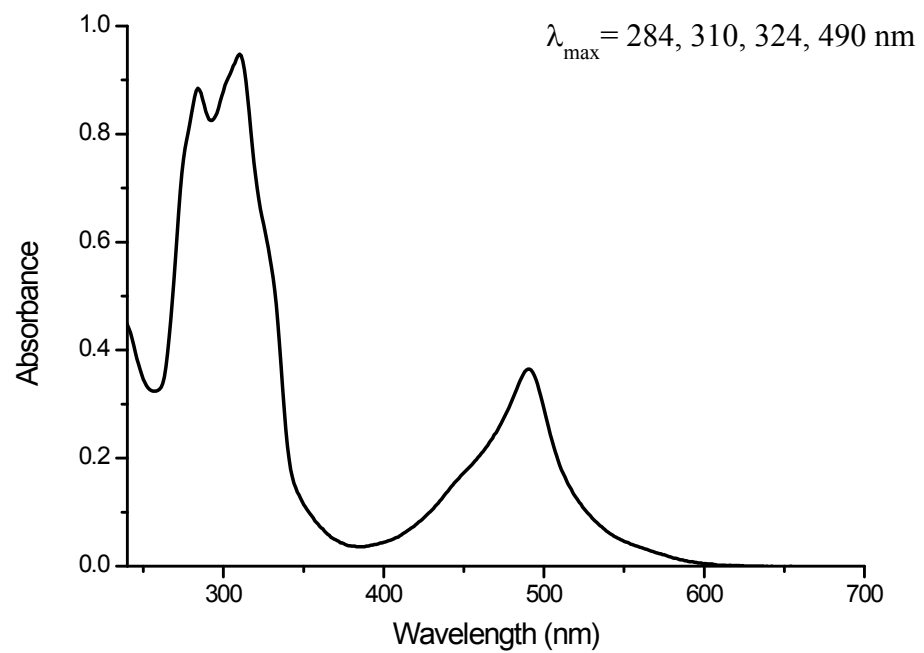


Figure S21. Electronic absorption spectrum of $[\{\text{Ru}(\text{tpy})\}_3(\text{L}^2)](\text{PF}_6)_{16}$ (**4**) in CH_3CN at 25°C .

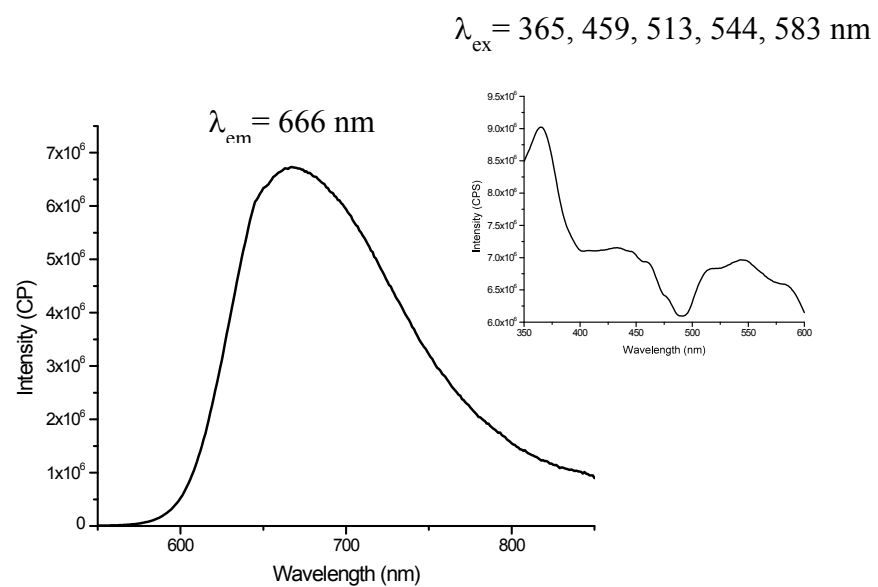


Figure S22. Emission spectrum of $[\{\text{Ru}(\text{tpy})\}_8(\text{L}^2)](\text{PF}_6)_{16}$ (**4**) in solid state at 25 °C, inset: excitation spectrum ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 365 \text{ nm}$).

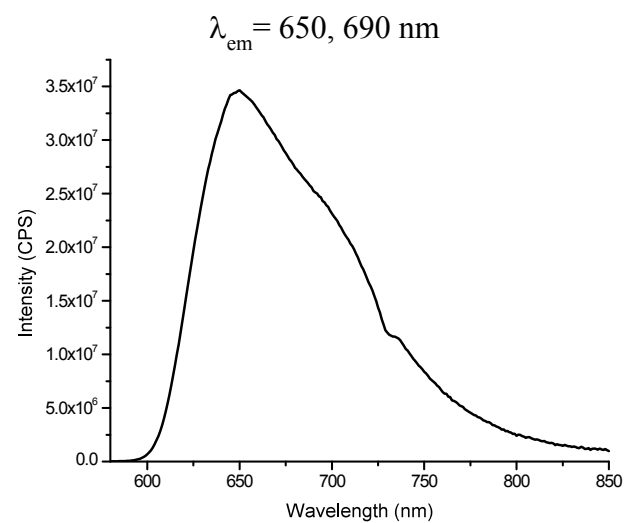


Figure S23. Emission spectrum of $[\{\text{Ru}(\text{tpy})\}_8(\text{L}^2)](\text{PF}_6)_{16}$ (**4**) in CH_3CN at 77 K.

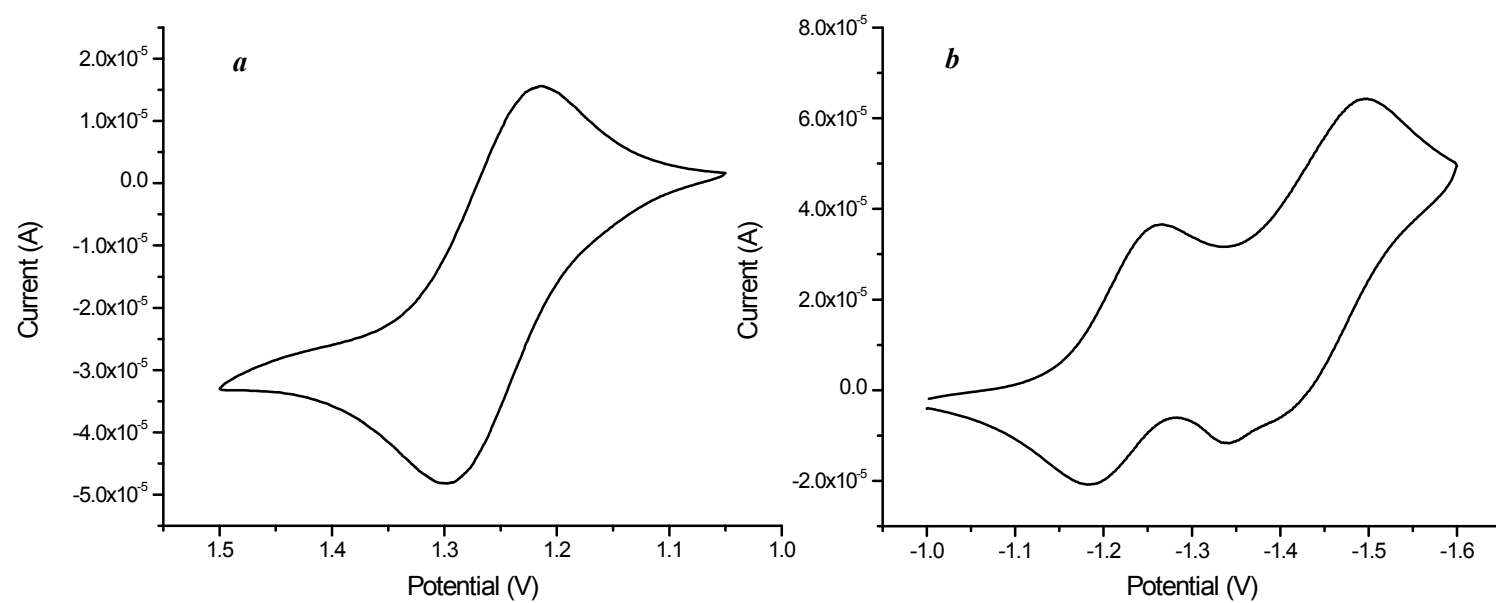


Figure S24. Cyclic voltammogram of $[Ru(tpy)_3(L^2)](PF_6)_{16}$ (**4**) on a glassy carbon millielectrode in acetonitrile (0.1 M Et_4NClO_4) versus Ag/Ag^+ at 25 °C, scan rate = 50 mVs⁻¹, (a) positive potential and (b) negative potential window.