

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### **Influence of Ancillary Ligands on Photophysical Properties of Cyclometalated Organoplatinum(II) Complexes**

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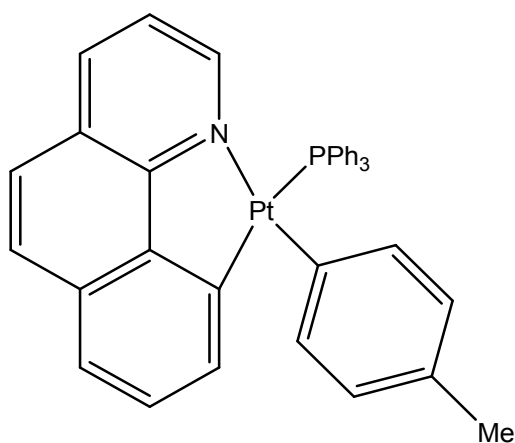
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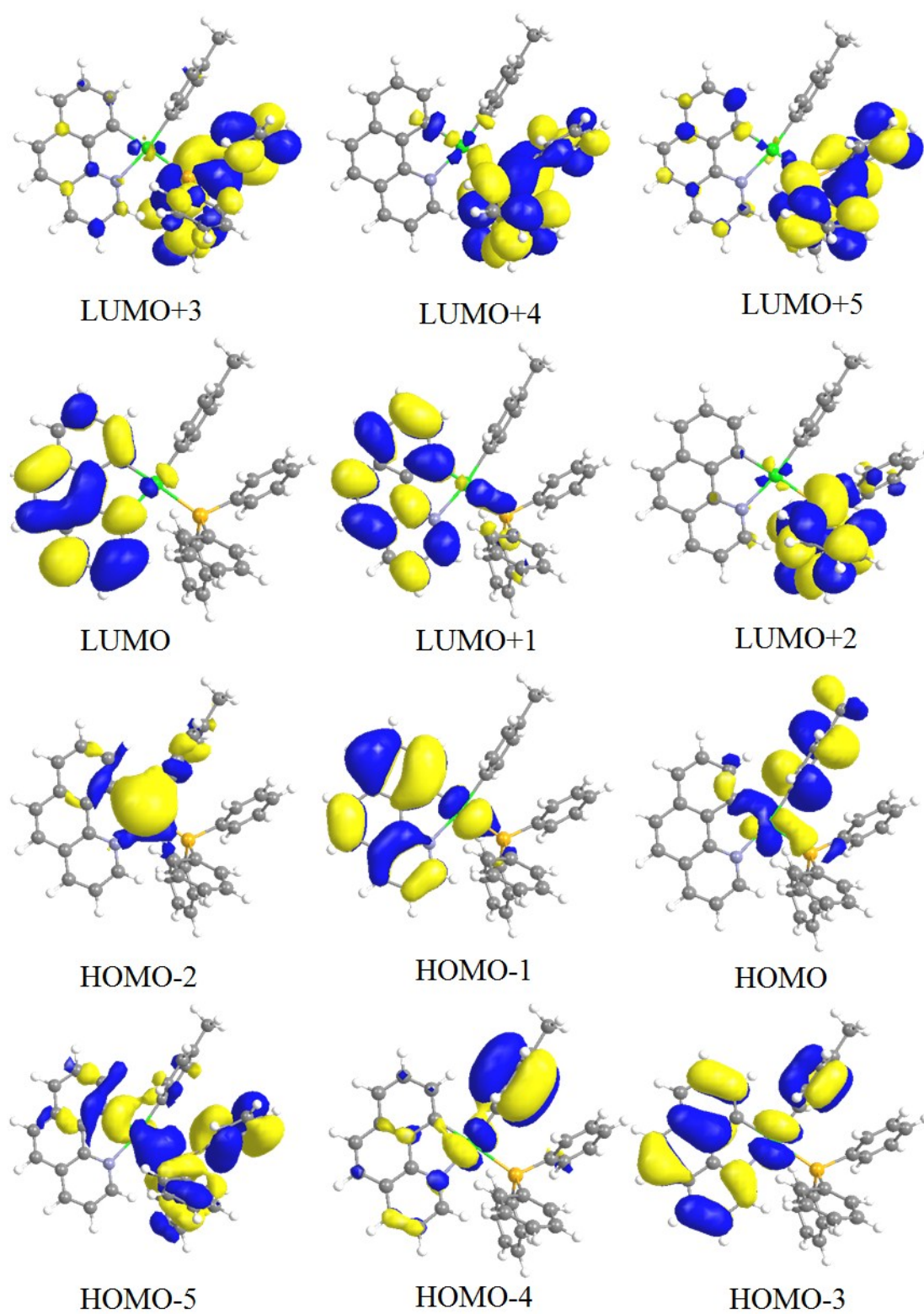
# 1. DFT and TDDFT calculations

## 1.1. Complex 1a

**Table S1.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-Me-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)], **1a** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>3</sub>	Bhq	<i>P</i> -tol
-0.324	LUMO+6	4	78	16	2
-0.453	LUMO+5	5	85	8	2
-0.612	LUMO+4	13	80	6	1
-0.688	LUMO+3	6	87	6	1
-0.987	LUMO+2	4	91	4	1
-1.157	LUMO+1	3	9	87	1
-1.695	LUMO	3	2	94	1
-5.507	HOMO	24	5	10	61
-5.621	HOMO-1	30	3	67	0
-5.861	HOMO-2	82	2	6	10
-6.186	HOMO-3	42	1	41	16
-6.307	HOMO-4	18	3	7	72
-6.436	HOMO-5	11	57	30	2
-6.515	HOMO-6	54	1	39	6
-6.812	HOMO-7	49	6	44	1
-6.912	HOMO-8	2	93	3	2
-6.996	HOMO-9	8	85	5	2
-7.097	HOMO-10	6	87	4	3
-7.162	HOMO-11	4	94	2	0

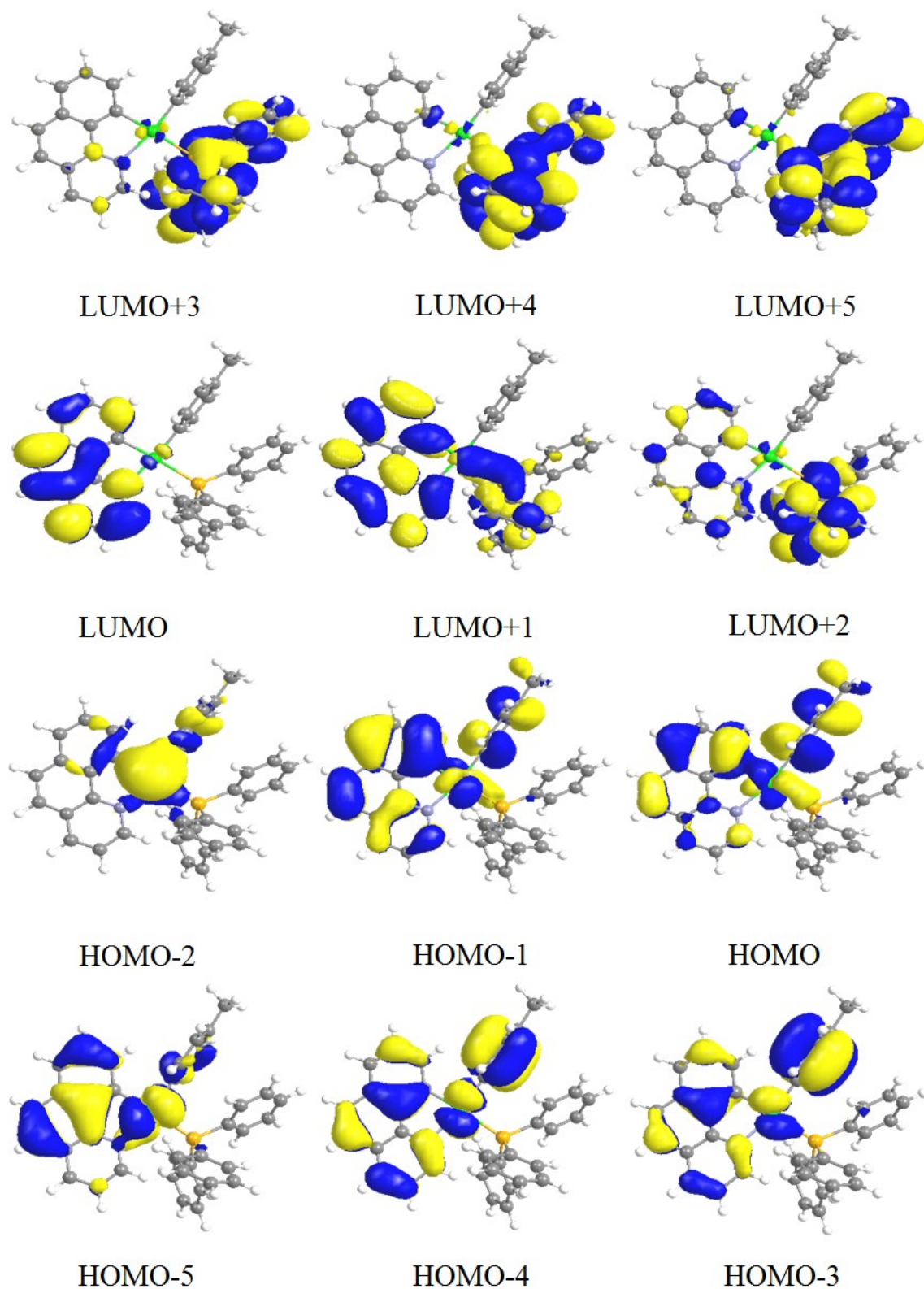




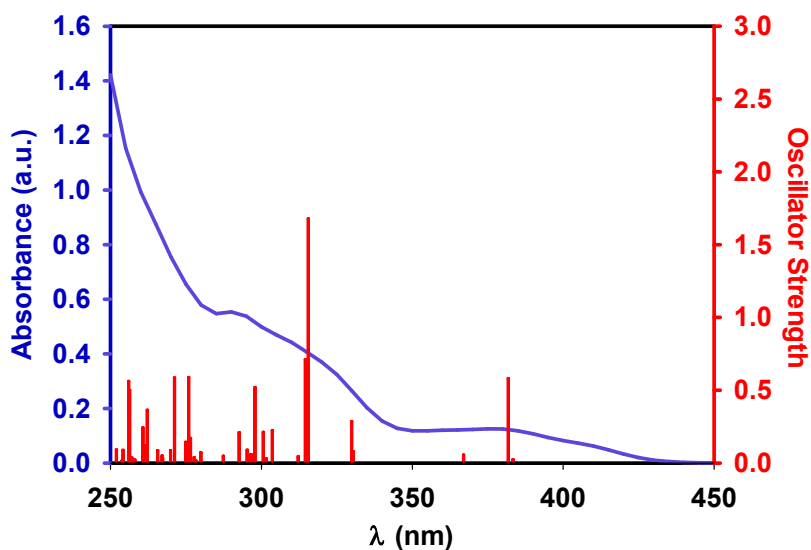
**Figure S1.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **1a**.

**Table S2.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-Me-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)], **1a** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>3</sub>	Bhq	<i>P</i> -tol
-0.250	LUMO+6	3	89	7	1
-0.316	LUMO+5	5	90	4	1
-0.502	LUMO+4	11	82	5	2
-0.624	LUMO+3	2	92	5	1
-0.918	LUMO+2	3	84	12	1
-0.962	LUMO+1	4	30	65	1
-1.756	LUMO	2	1	96	1
-5.077	HOMO	23	4	28	45
-5.106	HOMO-1	21	4	54	21
-5.492	HOMO-2	79	2	9	10
-5.779	HOMO-3	24	3	19	54
-5.881	HOMO-4	42	1	28	29
-6.159	HOMO-5	65	2	27	6
-6.240	HOMO-6	11	55	32	2
-6.558	HOMO-7	39	4	57	0
-6.708	HOMO-8	2	94	2	2
-6.857	HOMO-9	29	30	19	22
-7.005	HOMO-10	8	61	12	19
-7.084	HOMO-11	11	65	9	15



**Figure S2.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **1a** in gas phase.



**Figure S3.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **1a**.

**Table S3.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **1a** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta$ E/eV	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength		main character
S1	H→L (73%) H-1→L (19%)	3.238	383	0.0022		MLCT/LC/LLCT
S2	H-1→L (75%) H→L (19%)	3.251	381	0.0579	19%	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S3	H-2→L (92%)	3.382	366	0.0054		MLCT/LLCT
S4	H→L+1 (77%) H-3→L (10%)	3.757	330	0.0078		MLCT/LC/LLCT
S5	H-3→L (41%) H-1→L+1 (30%) H→L+1 (17%)	3.763	329	0.0285		MLCT/LC/LLCT
S6	H-1→L+1 (33%) H-2→L+1 (25%) H-3→L (16%) H-6→L (14%)	3.933	315	0.1677		MLCT/LC/LLCT
S7	H-2→L+1 (68%) H-1→L+1 (13%)	3.946	314	0.0708		MLCT/LC/LLCT
S8	H→L+2 (94%)	3.976	312	0.0043		MLCT/LLCT
S9	H-4→L (35%) H-6→L (27%) H-3→L (18%)	4.088	303	0.0223		MLCT/LC/LLCT
S12	H-4→L (39%) H-3→L+1 (16%) H-6→L (15%)	4.167	298	0.052		MLCT/LC/LLCT
S14	H→L+3 (60%)	4.202	295	0.0088		MLCT/LLCT

	H-2→L+2 (18%) H→L+4 (14%)					
S15	H-3→L+1 (29%) H-7→L (24%) H-6→L (18%) H-4→L (10%)	4.240	292	0.0208		MLCT/LC/LLCT
S16	H→L+4 (72%) H→L+3 (21%)	4.318	287	0.0046		MLCT/LLCT
S20	H-2→L+3 (45%) H-2→L+4 (19%) H→L+5 (16%)	4.487	276	0.017		MLCT/LLCT
S21	H-6→L+1 (38%) H-7→L (22%) H-2→L+3 (12%)	4.497	275	0.059		MLCT/LC/LLCT

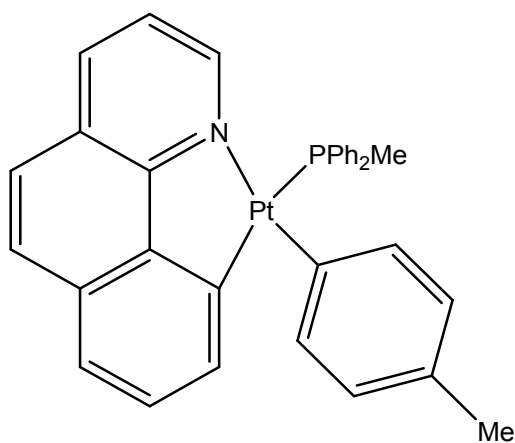
**Table S4.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **1a** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/eV$	$\lambda_{cal}/nm$	main character
T1	H-1→L (47%) H→L (25%)	1.935	641	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T2	H-1→L+1 (28%) H-1→L (15%) H→L+1 (13%) H-4→L (10%)	2.709	458	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T3	H→L (58%) H-1→L (33%)	2.780	446	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T4	H-4→L (32%) H-3→L (22%) H-1→L+1 (17%)	2.864	433	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T5	H-2→L (91%)	2.941	422	MLCT/LC/LLCT

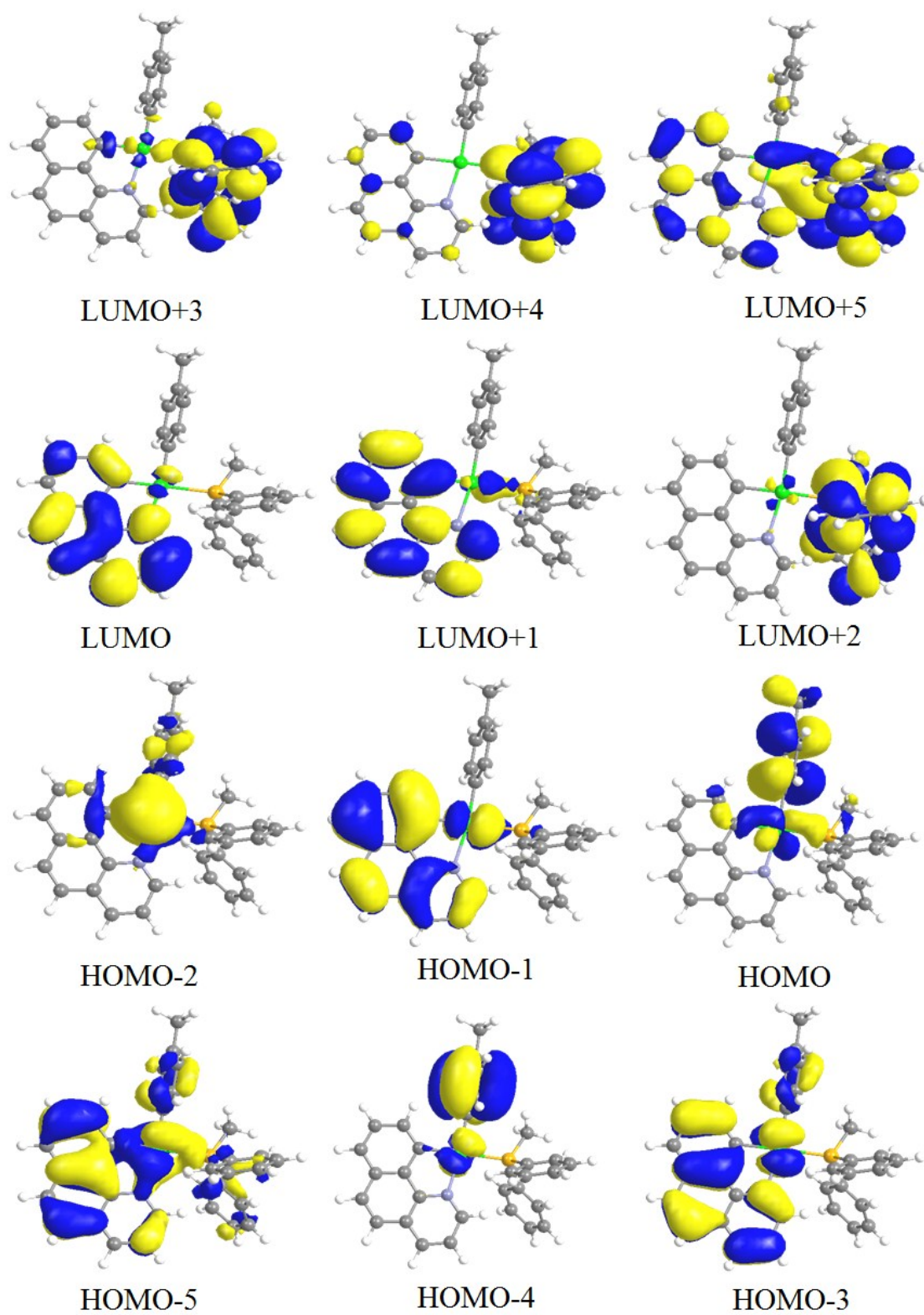
## 1.2. Complex 1b

**Table S5.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-Me-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **1b** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	<i>P</i> -tol
-0.155	LUMO+6	4	45	48	3
-0.286	LUMO+5	6	67	25	2
-0.422	LUMO+4	5	85	8	1
-0.604	LUMO+3	9	83	7	1
-0.866	LUMO+2	3	93	2	2
-1.152	LUMO+1	3	7	89	1
-1.685	LUMO	3	2	94	1
-5.550	HOMO	25	6	9	60
-5.618	HOMO-1	29	3	68	0
-5.865	HOMO-2	83	2	7	8
-6.192	HOMO-3	46	1	46	7
-6.357	HOMO-4	15	3	2	80
-6.513	HOMO-5	45	8	40	7
-6.599	HOMO-6	22	41	35	2
-6.809	HOMO-7	50	6	43	1
-7.044	HOMO-8	1	96	2	1
-7.101	HOMO-9	2	95	2	1
-7.154	HOMO-10	5	79	7	9
-7.278	HOMO-11	18	38	23	21



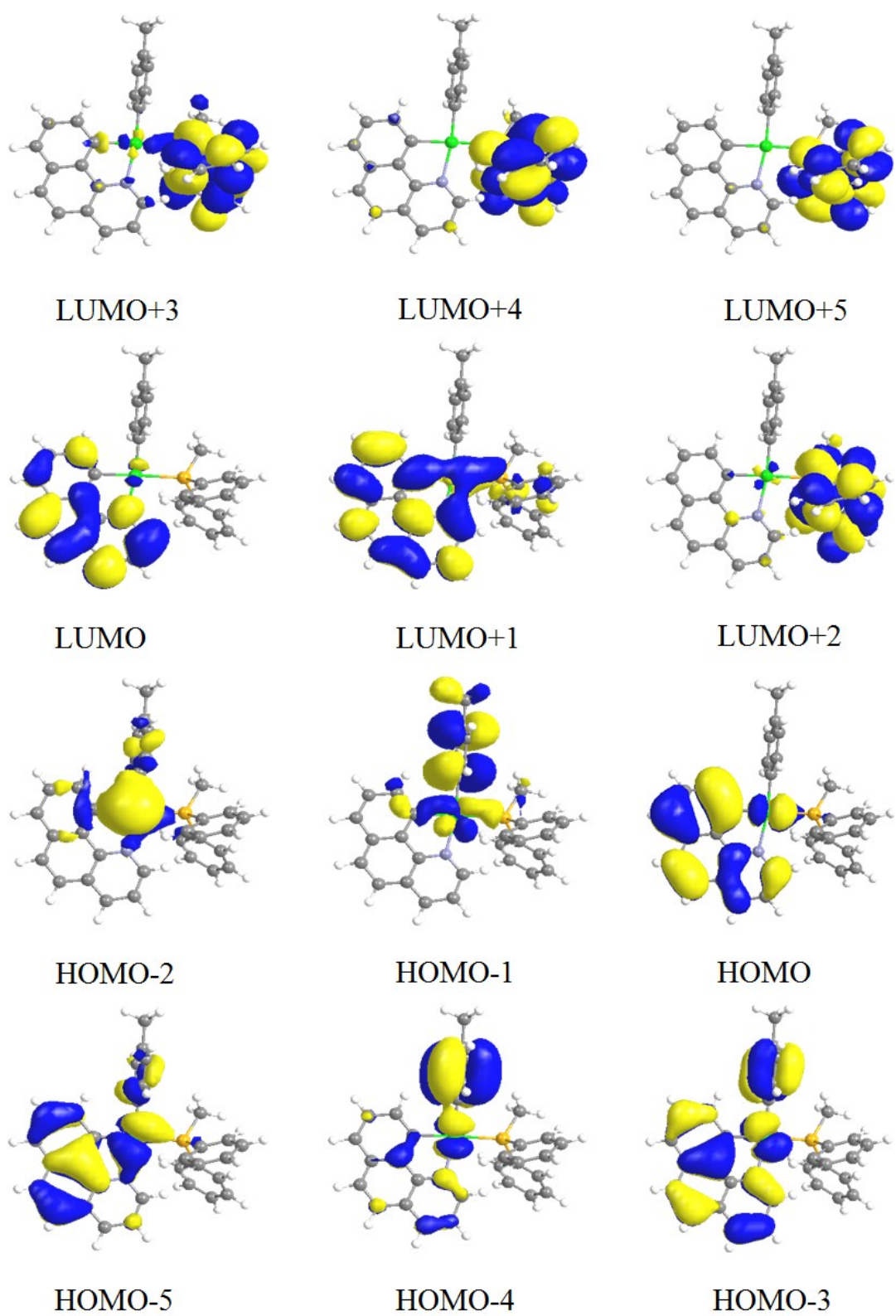




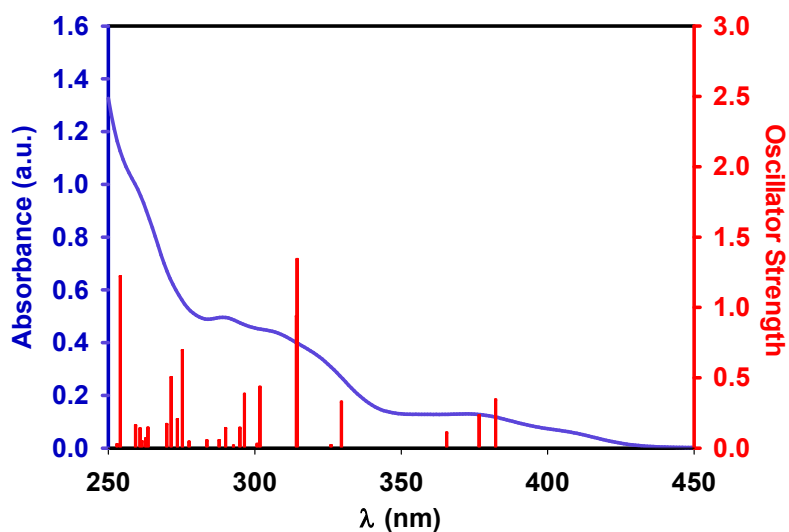
**Figure S4.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **1b**.

**Table S6.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-Me-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **1b** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	<i>P</i> -tol
0.089	LUMO+6	4	12	80	4
-0.249	LUMO+5	3	94	3	0
-0.414	LUMO+4	6	89	5	1
-0.561	LUMO+3	5	88	6	1
-0.858	LUMO+2	2	93	4	1
-0.967	LUMO+1	4	14	81	1
-1.772	LUMO	2	1	96	1
-5.113	HOMO	20	3	77	0
-5.163	HOMO-1	23	5	10	62
-5.511	HOMO-2	80	2	9	9
-5.833	HOMO-3	44	1	36	19
-5.937	HOMO-4	23	2	9	66
-6.187	HOMO-5	64	2	28	6
-6.462	HOMO-6	16	41	41	2
-6.573	HOMO-7	40	3	57	0
-6.988	HOMO-8	21	17	23	39
-7.055	HOMO-9	1	93	3	3
-7.100	HOMO-10	1	95	2	2
-7.174	HOMO-11	50	19	13	18



**Figure S5.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **1b** in gas phase.



**Figure S6.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **1b**.

**Table S7.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **1b** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength	main character
S1	H-1→L (79%) H→L (16%)	3.248	382	0.0342	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S2	H→L (73%) H-1→L (14%) H-2→L (11%)	3.296	376	0.0231	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S3	H-2→L (87%)	3.396	365	0.0107	MLCT
S4	H-3→L (50%) H-1→L+1 (38%)	3.766	329	0.0326	MLCT/LC
S5	H-2→L+1 (38%) H-1→L+1 (26%) H-3→L (19%)	3.807	314	0.1341	MLCT/LC
S7	H-2→L+1 (56%) H-1→L+1 (19%)	3.950	314	0.0935	MLCT/LC
S8	H-5→L (38%) H-4→L (22%) H-3→L (13%)	4.113	301	0.0432	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S10	H-6→L (28%) H-4→L (28%) H-3→L+1 (26%)	4.186	296	0.0382	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S11	H-6→L (63%)	4.208	295	0.0141	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S13	H-4→L (29%) H-5→L (23%) H-3→L+1 (19%) H-7→L (16%)	4.279	290	0.014	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S17	H-5→L+1 (37%) H-7→L (22%)	4.508	275	0.069	MLCT/LC

	H-3→L+1 (10%)				
S18	H-2→L+3 (80%)	4.536	273	0.0203	MLCT
S19	H-7→L (28%) H-1→L+4 (10%) H-1→L+5 (10%)	4.571	271	0.0502	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S20	H→L+4 (72%) H→L+5 (11%)	4.597	270	0.017	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S21	H-6→L+1 (18%) H-4→L+1 (63%)	4.708	263	0.014	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S25	H-1→L+4 (53%) H-5→L+1 (10%) H-4→L+1 (10%)	4.757	261	0.014	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S27	H-2→L+4 (47%) H-2→L+5 (18%)	4.785	259	0.016	MLCT

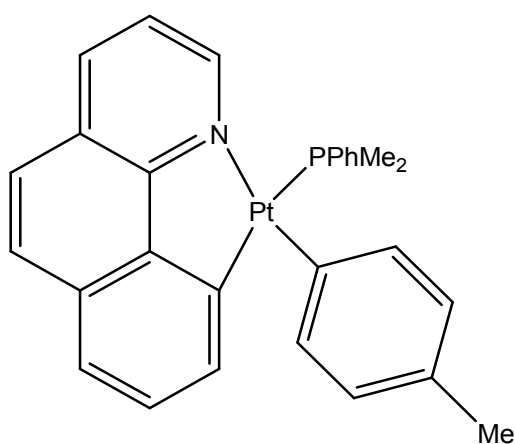
**Table S8.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **1b** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

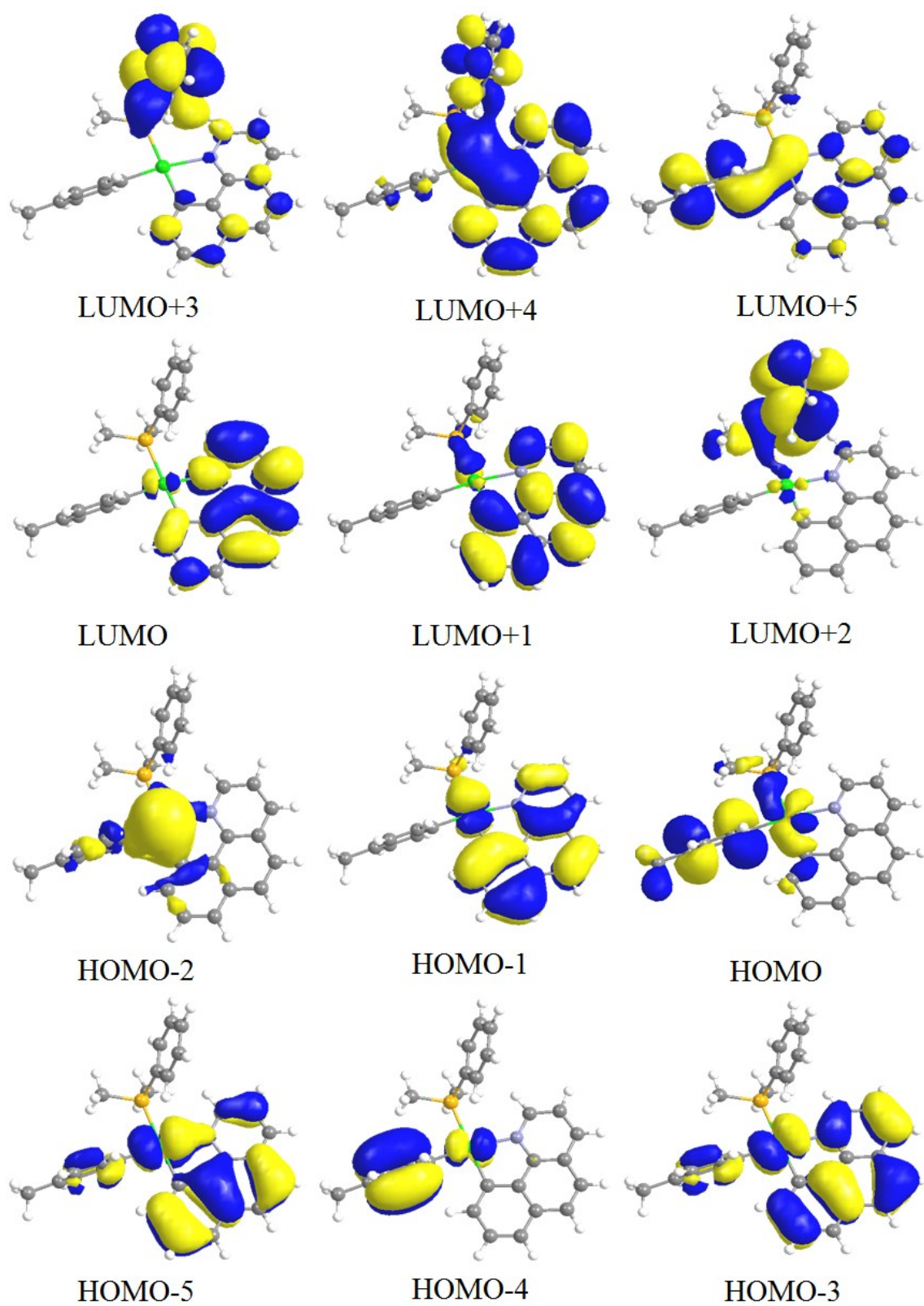
state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/eV$	$\lambda_{cal}/nm$	main character
T1	H→L (71%) H-3→L (10%)	1.935	641	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T2	H→L+1 (41%) H→L (24%) H-3→L (19%)	2.706	458	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T3	H-1→L (59%) H→L+1 (18%) H-3→L (12%)	2.818	440	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T4	H-3→L (28%) H-1→L (24%) H-2→L (17%) H→L+1 (17%)	2.873	432	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T5	H-2→L (77%) H-1→L (13%)	2.950	420	MLCT/LC/LLCT

### 1.3. Complex 1c

**Table S9.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-Me-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPhMe<sub>2</sub>)], **1c** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPhMe <sub>2</sub>	Bhq	<i>P</i> -tol
0.373	LUMO+6	21	24	31	24
0.350	LUMO+5	16	8	14	62
-0.222	LUMO+4	8	24	63	5
-0.341	LUMO+3	6	79	14	1
-0.710	LUMO+2	4	90	5	1
-1.154	LUMO+1	4	6	89	1
-1.696	LUMO	3	2	94	1
-5.536	HOMO	24	6	10	60
-5.611	HOMO-1	30	3	67	0
-5.863	HOMO-2	84	1	7	8
-6.178	HOMO-3	49	0	44	7
-6.346	HOMO-4	14	2	2	82
-6.515	HOMO-5	50	1	42	7
-6.699	HOMO-6	16	39	43	2
-6.814	HOMO-7	51	4	44	1
-7.071	HOMO-8	2	95	2	1
-7.141	HOMO-9	11	58	19	12
-7.393	HOMO-10	22	16	28	34
-7.556	HOMO-11	52	4	14	30





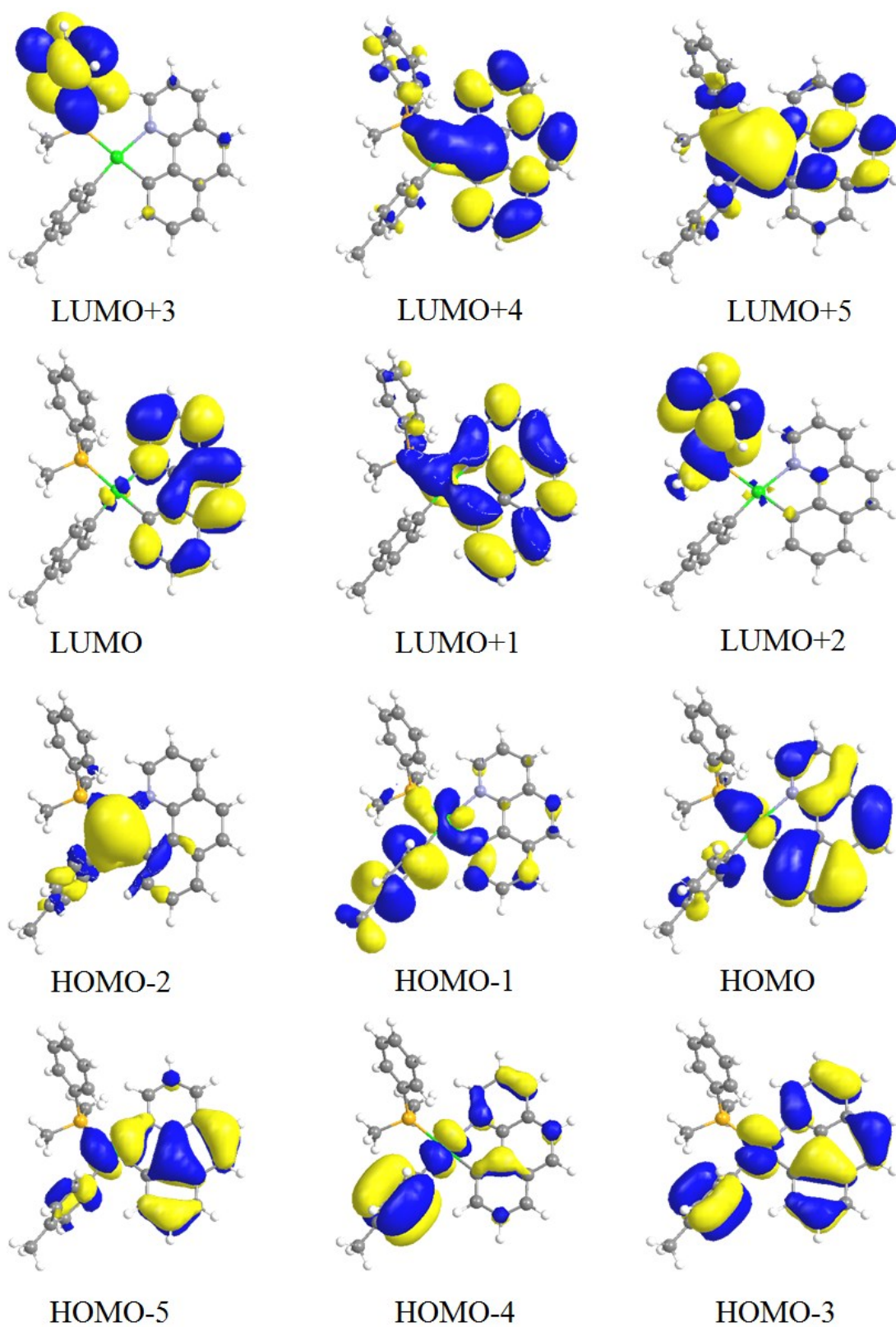
**Figure S7.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **1c**.



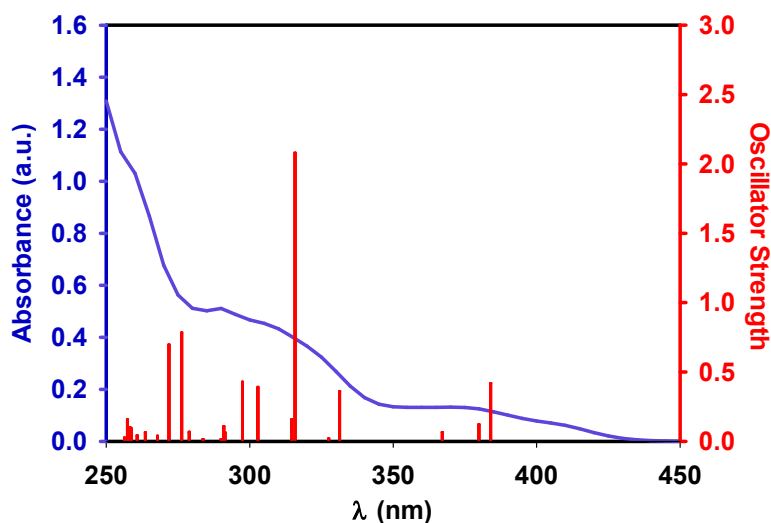
**Table S10.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-Me-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPhMe<sub>2</sub>)], **1c** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPhMe <sub>2</sub>	Bhq	<i>P</i> -tol
-0.384	LUMO+3	2	93	4	1
-0.780	LUMO+2	1	93	5	1
-0.992	LUMO+1	5	12	82	1
-1.818	LUMO	2	2	96	0
-5.134	HOMO	21	3	71	5
-5.174	HOMO-1	22	5	15	58
-5.538	HOMO-2	80	2	9	9
-5.845	HOMO-3	43	1	34	22
-5.948	HOMO-4	26	1	11	62
-6.209	HOMO-5	63	1	30	6
-6.576	HOMO-6	29	16	54	1
-6.649	HOMO-7	24	22	52	2
-7.011	HOMO-8	20	21	23	37





**Figure S8.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **1c** in gas phase.



**Figure S9.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **1c**.

**Table S11.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **1c** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength	main character
S1	H-1→L (83%) H→L (12%)	3.233	383	0.0416	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S2	H→L (78%) H-1→L (11%)	3.268	379	0.0121	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S3	H-2→L (89%)	3.381	367	0.0064	MLCT
S4	H-3→L (53%) H-1→L+1 (37%)	3.747	331	0.036	MLCT/LC
S6	H-1→L+1 (46%) H-3→L (25%) H-5→L (17%)	3.930	315	0.208	MLCT/LC
S7	H-2→L+1 (90%)	3.945	314	0.0156	MLCT
S8	H-5→L (44%) H-4→L (24%) H-3→L (13%)	4.098	303	0.039	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S9	H-4→L (40%) H-3→L+1 (35%) H-7→L (14%)	4.172	297	0.0426	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S11	H-6→L (23%) H-4→L (23%) H-5→L (20%) H-3→L+1 (14%) H-7→L (12%)	4.265	291	0.011	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S15	H-5→L+1 (47%) H-7→L (22%) H-3→L+1 (11%)	4.491	276	0.078	MLCT/LC
S16	H-7→L (35%)	4.564	272	0.0695	MLCT/LC/LLCT

	H-1→L+4 (21%) H-5→L+1 (14%) H-1→L+3 (10%)				
S26	H-2→L+3 (80%)	4.955	250	0.1986	MLCT

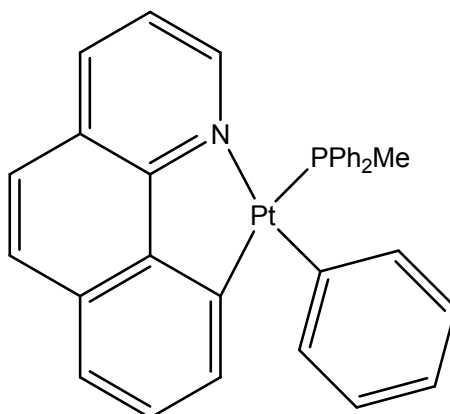
**Table S12.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **1c** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

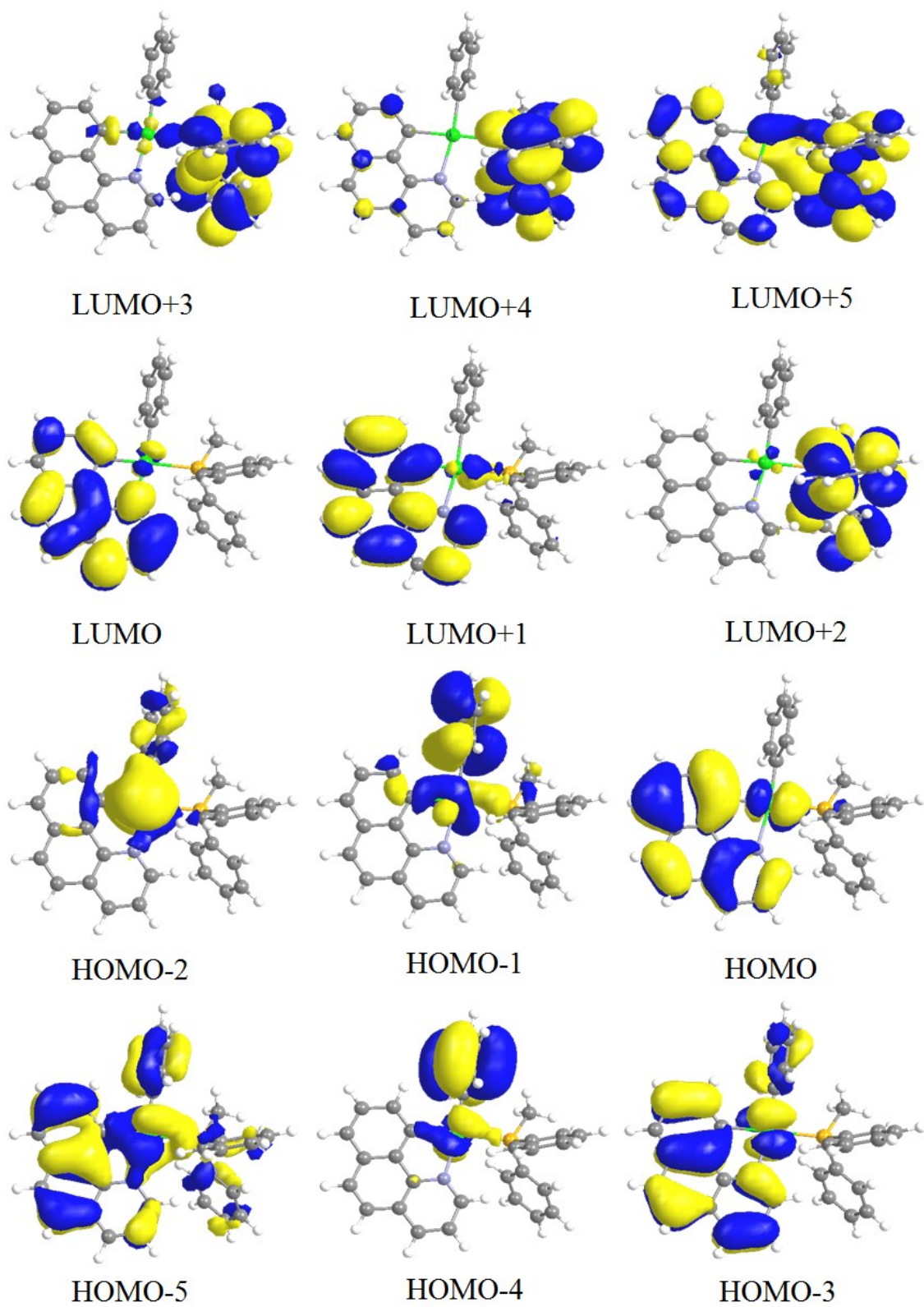
state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/eV$	$\lambda_{cal}/nm$	main character
T1	H→L (66%)	1.926	644	MLCT/LC
T2	H→L+1 (33%) H→L (27%) H-3→L (22%)	2.690	461	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T3	H-1→L (73%)	2.795	443	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T4	H-3→L (32%) H→L+1 (30%)	2.844	436	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T5	H-2→L (80%) H-1→L (11%)	2.929	423	MLCT/LC/LLCT

#### 1.4. Complex 2a

**Table S13.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **2a** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>
-0.161	LUMO+6	4	47	46	3
-0.285	LUMO+5	6	63	28	3
-0.427	LUMO+4	5	86	7	2
-0.614	LUMO+3	10	82	6	2
-0.867	LUMO+2	3	94	2	1
-1.156	LUMO+1	4	6	89	1
-1.689	LUMO	3	2	94	1
-5.624	HOMO	29	3	67	1
-5.711	HOMO-1	31	6	12	51
-5.876	HOMO-2	82	2	6	10
-6.206	HOMO-3	44	1	48	7
-6.398	HOMO-4	16	4	4	76
-6.523	HOMO-5	41	11	39	9
-6.608	HOMO-6	26	38	34	2
-6.815	HOMO-7	50	6	43	1
-7.047	HOMO-8	1	97	1	1
-7.107	HOMO-9	2	95	2	1
-7.160	HOMO-10	5	82	6	7
-7.292	HOMO-11	16	38	25	21
-7.506	HOMO-12	12	29	35	24



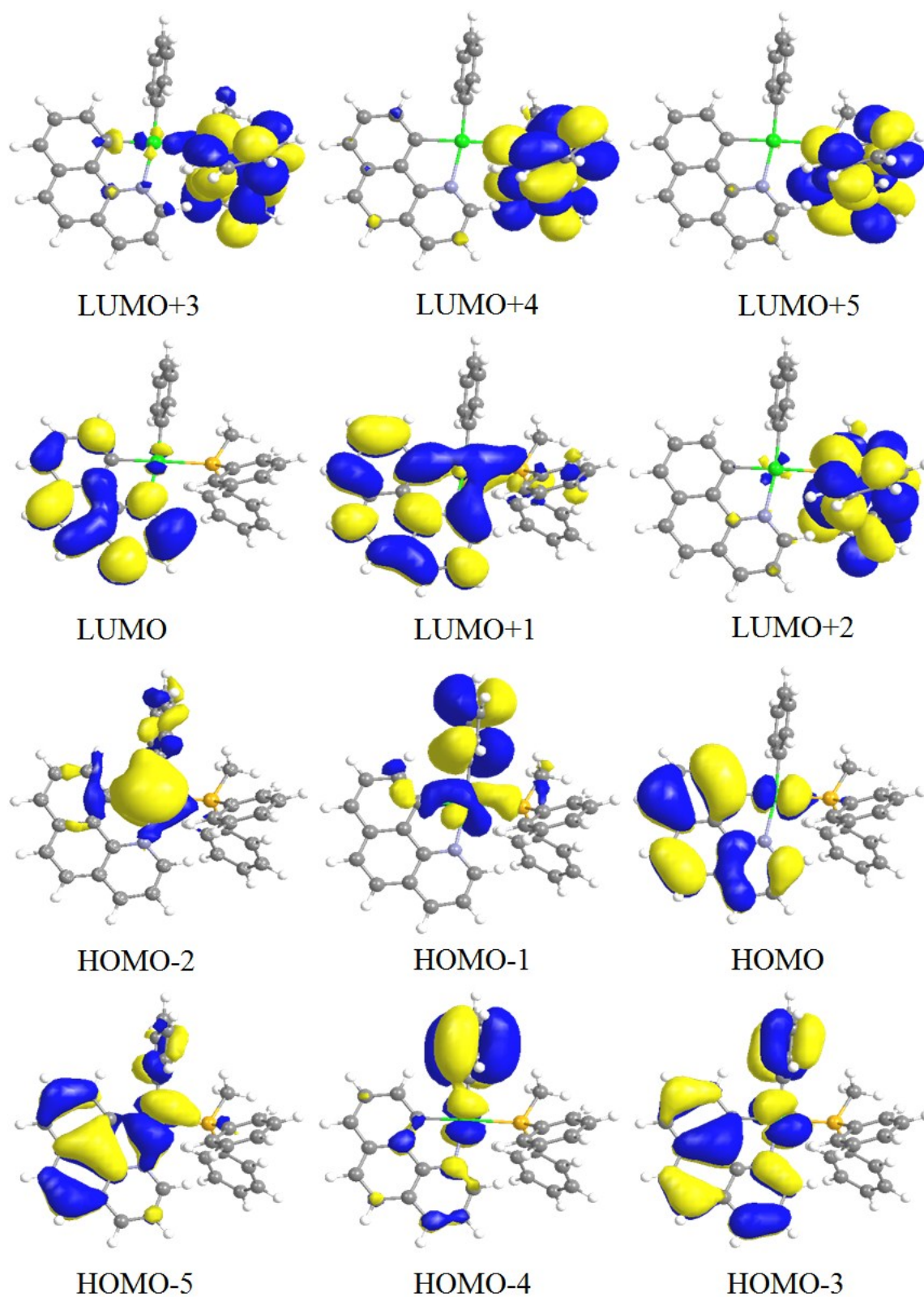


**Figure S10.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **2a**.

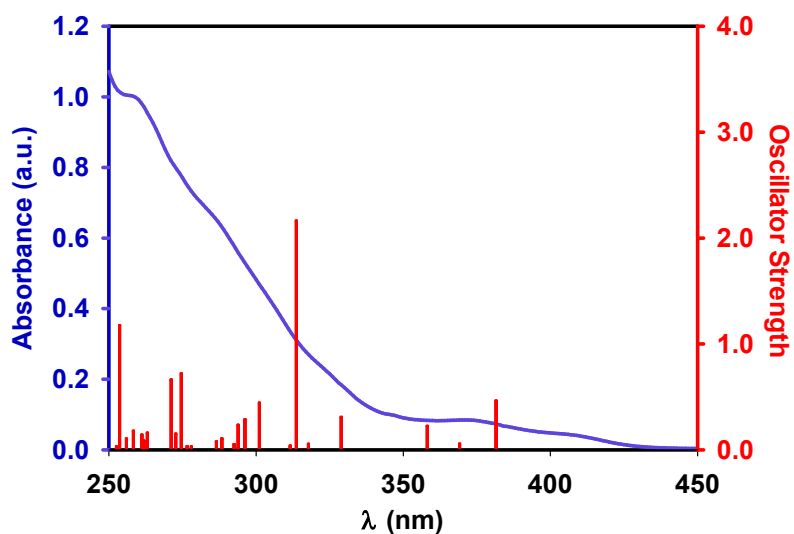
**Table S14.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **2a** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>
0.078	LUMO+6	4	12	80	4
-0.255	LUMO+5	3	94	3	0
-0.427	LUMO+4	6	88	5	1
-0.575	LUMO+3	5	88	6	1
-0.866	LUMO+2	2	93	4	1
-0.979	LUMO+1	4	13	82	1
-1.784	LUMO	2	1	96	1
-5.126	HOMO	20	3	77	0
-5.319	HOMO-1	28	6	11	55
-5.532	HOMO-2	80	2	8	10
-5.853	HOMO-3	44	1	39	16
-5.970	HOMO-4	20	2	8	70
-6.206	HOMO-5	64	2	27	7
-6.476	HOMO-6	16	41	41	2
-6.586	HOMO-7	40	3	57	0
-7.017	HOMO-8	17	19	25	39
-7.066	HOMO-9	1	95	2	2
-7.109	HOMO-10	2	95	2	1
-7.216	HOMO-11	4	83	7	6





**Figure S11.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **2a** in gas phase.



**Figure S12.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **2a**.

**Table S15.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **2a** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength	main character
S1	H→L (93%)	3.254	381	0.0461	MLCT/LC
S2	H-2→L (62%) H-1→L (36%)	3.363	369	0.0054	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S3	H-1→L (60%) H-2→L (36%)	3.466	358	0.0222	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S4	H-3→L (50%) H→L+1 (42%)	3.774	328	0.031	MLCT/LC
S6	H→L+1 (43%) H-3→L (31%) H-5→L (15%)	3.957	313	0.216	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S8	H-5→L (43%) H-4→L (24%) H-3→L (12%)	4.122	301	0.044	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S9	H-6→L (54%) H-3→L+1 (19%) H-4→L (14%)	4.189	296	0.0285	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S10	H-6→L (30%) H→L+2 (22%) H-3→L+1 (17%) H-7→L (12%)	4.223	294	0.0232	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S13	H-4→L (40%) H-5→L (27%) H-3→L+1 (13%) H-7→L (10%)	4.303	288	0.0103	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S17	H-5→L+1 (39%) H-7→L (16%)	4.519	274	0.072	MLCT/LC/LLCT



	H-3→L+1 (10%)				
S26	H-2→L+3 (80%)	4.955	250	0.1986	MLCT/LLCT

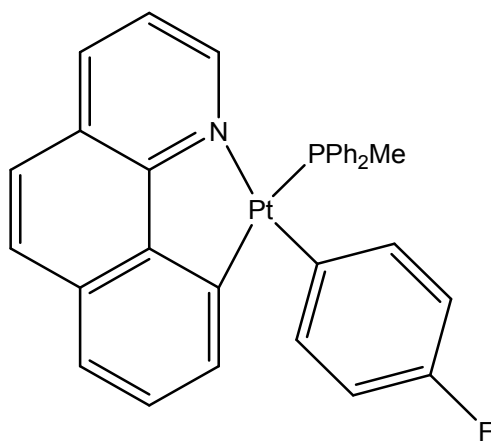
**Table S16.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **2a** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

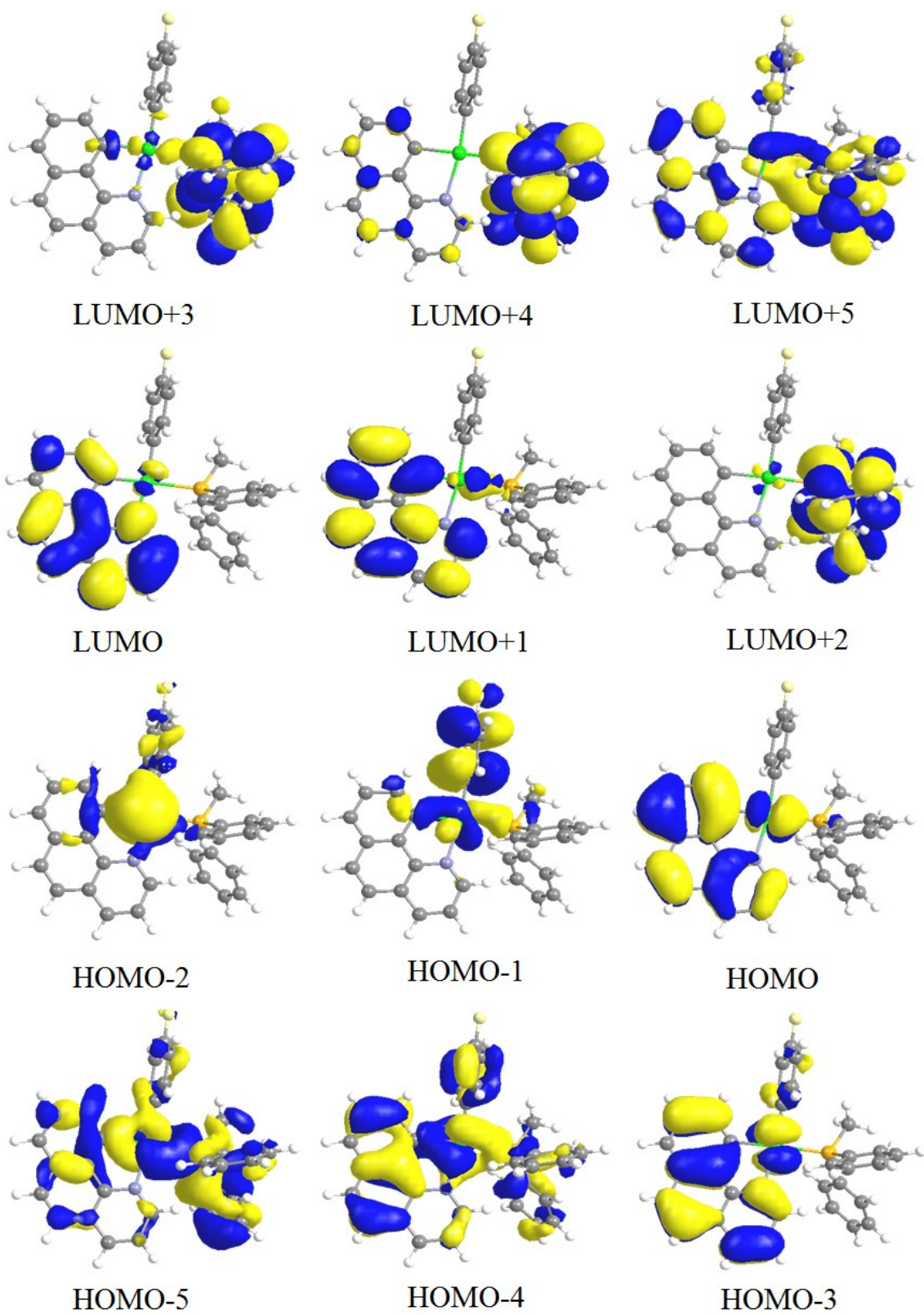
state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/eV$	$\lambda_{cal}/nm$	main character
T1	H→L (71%) H-3→L (10%)	1.935	641	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T2	H→L+1 (43%) H→L (24%) H-3→L (19%)	2.708	458	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T3	H-3→L (39%) H→L+1 (33%) H-1→L (11%)	2.847	435	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T4	H-2→L (61%) H-1→L (33%)	2.909	426	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T5	H-1→L (54%) H-2→L (35%)	3.020	411	MLCT/LC/LLCT

## 1.5. Complex 2b

**Table S17.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-F-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **2b** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	<i>p</i> -F-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>
-0.305	LUMO+5	6	62	27	5
-0.438	LUMO+4	5	84	9	2
-0.622	LUMO+3	9	82	7	2
-0.885	LUMO+2	3	93	2	2
-1.173	LUMO+1	4	7	89	0
-1.709	LUMO	3	2	94	1
-5.645	HOMO	29	3	67	1
-5.664	HOMO-1	25	6	11	58
-5.924	HOMO-2	84	2	7	7
-6.232	HOMO-3	43	1	51	5
-6.537	HOMO-4	48	12	31	9
-6.630	HOMO-5	27	36	34	3
-6.653	HOMO-6	6	7	11	76
-6.847	HOMO-7	47	6	41	6
-7.059	HOMO-8	1	97	2	0
-7.116	HOMO-9	2	96	2	0
-7.180	HOMO-10	4	87	5	4
-7.335	HOMO-11	16	46	26	12
-7.539	HOMO-12	32	18	27	23





**Figure S13.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **2b**.

**Table S18.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-F-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **2b** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	<i>p</i> -F-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>
0.007	LUMO+6	4	13	78	5
-0.312	LUMO+5	1	94	4	1
-0.481	LUMO+4	6	88	5	1
-0.630	LUMO+3	6	87	6	1
-0.926	LUMO+2	2	93	4	1
-1.045	LUMO+1	4	14	81	1
-1.850	LUMO	2	1	96	1
-5.197	HOMO	20	3	77	0
-5.290	HOMO-1	23	5	9	63
-5.639	HOMO-2	82	2	9	7
-5.943	HOMO-3	49	1	45	5
-6.225	HOMO-4	36	2	4	58
-6.314	HOMO-5	49	2	24	25
-6.548	HOMO-6	15	42	41	2
-6.658	HOMO-7	39	4	56	1
-7.113	HOMO-8	7	82	5	6
-7.145	HOMO-9	14	54	14	18
-7.171	HOMO-10	7	76	7	10
-7.275	HOMO-11	34	42	12	12

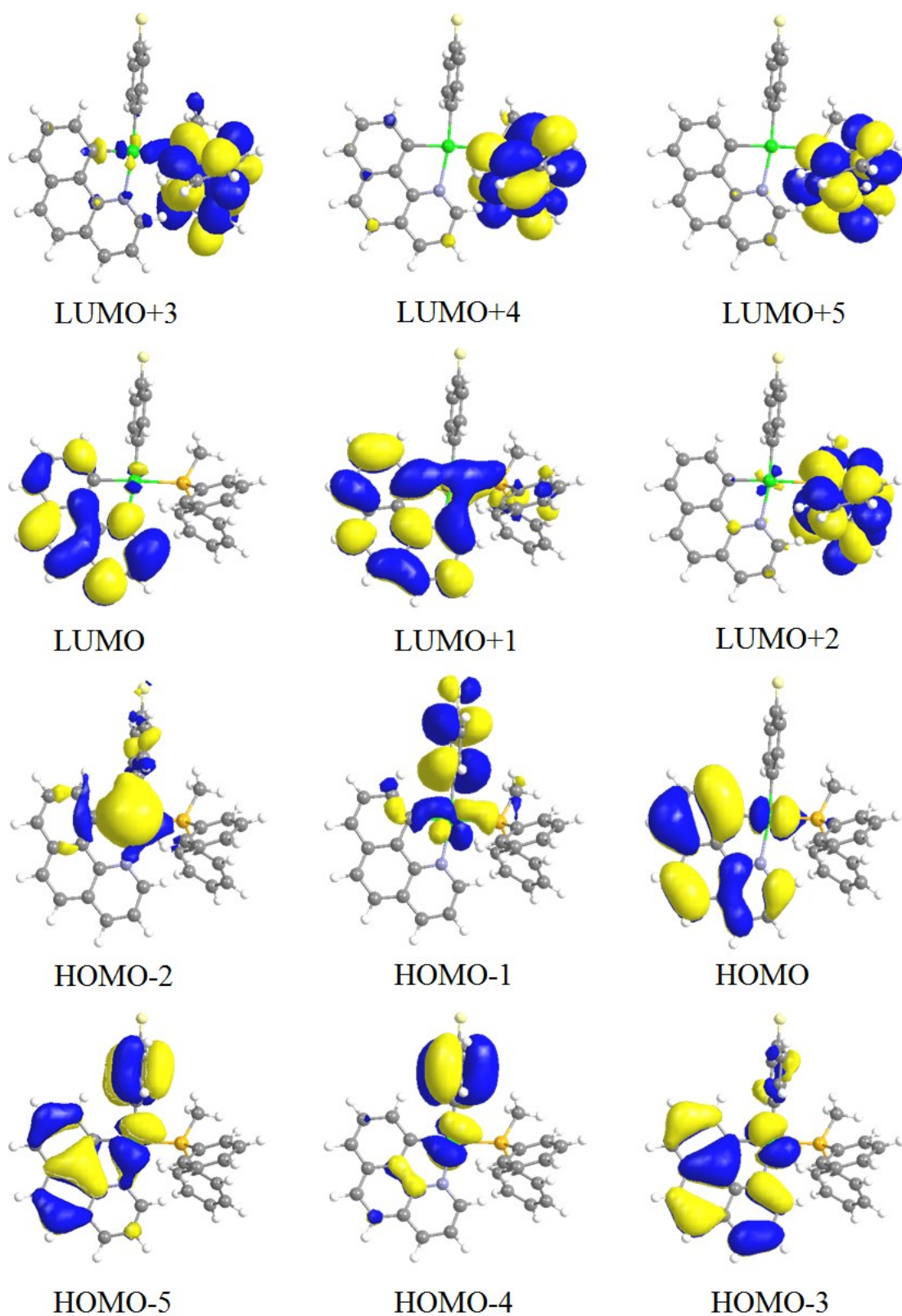
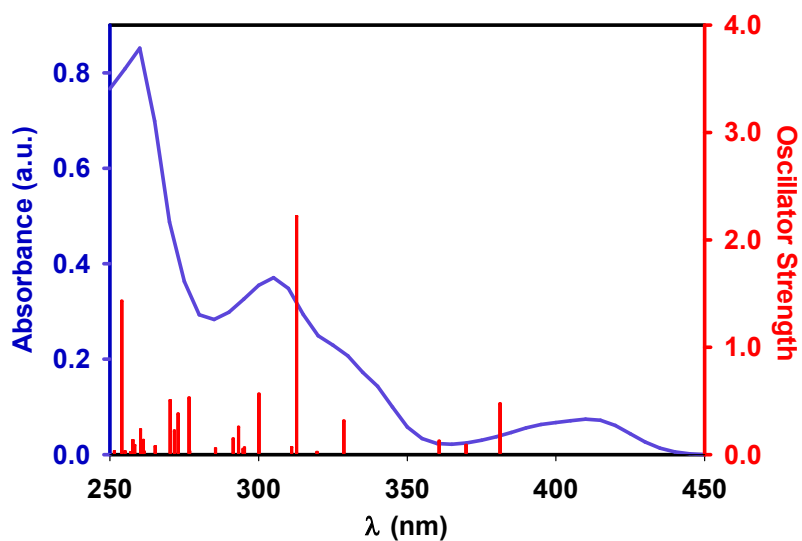


Figure S14. Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **2b** in gas phase.



**Figure S15.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **2b**.

**Table S19.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **2b** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength	main character
S1	H→L (93%)	3.257	381	0.047	MLCT/LC
S2	H-1→L (71%) H-2→L (27%)	3.357	369	0.0085	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S3	H-2→L (71%) H-1→L (27%)	3.441	360	0.0124	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S4	H-3→L (51%) H→L+1 (42%)	3.777	328	0.031	MLCT/LC
S6	H→L+1 (43%) H-3→L (31%) H-4→L (16%)	3.968	312	0.222	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S7	H-2→L+1 (88%)	3.990	311	0.0065	MLCT
S8	H-4→L (59%) H-3→L (12%) H-3→L+1 (11%)	4.135	300	0.056	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S11	H→L+2 (24%) H-3→L+1 (23%) H-7→L (17%) H-5→L (13%)	4.232	293	0.0252	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S12	H→L+2 (58%) H-3→L+1 (12%) H-7→L (10%)	4.258	291	0.0143	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S13	H-2→L+2 (91%)	4.346	285	0.0052	MLCT

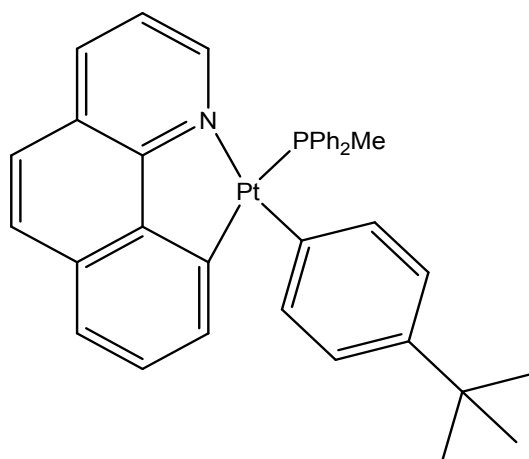
**Table S20.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **2b** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/eV$	$\lambda_{cal}/nm$	main character
T1	H→L (71%) H-3→L (12%)	1.937	640	MLCT/LC
T2	H→L+1 (44%) H→L (24%) H-3→L (21%)	2.711	457	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T3	H-3→L (33%) H-1→L (32%) H→L+1 (26%)	2.841	436	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T4	H-1→L (52%) H-3→L (19%) H-2→L (17%)	2.900	427	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T5	H-2→L (78%) H-1→L (14%)	2.996	414	MLCT/LLCT

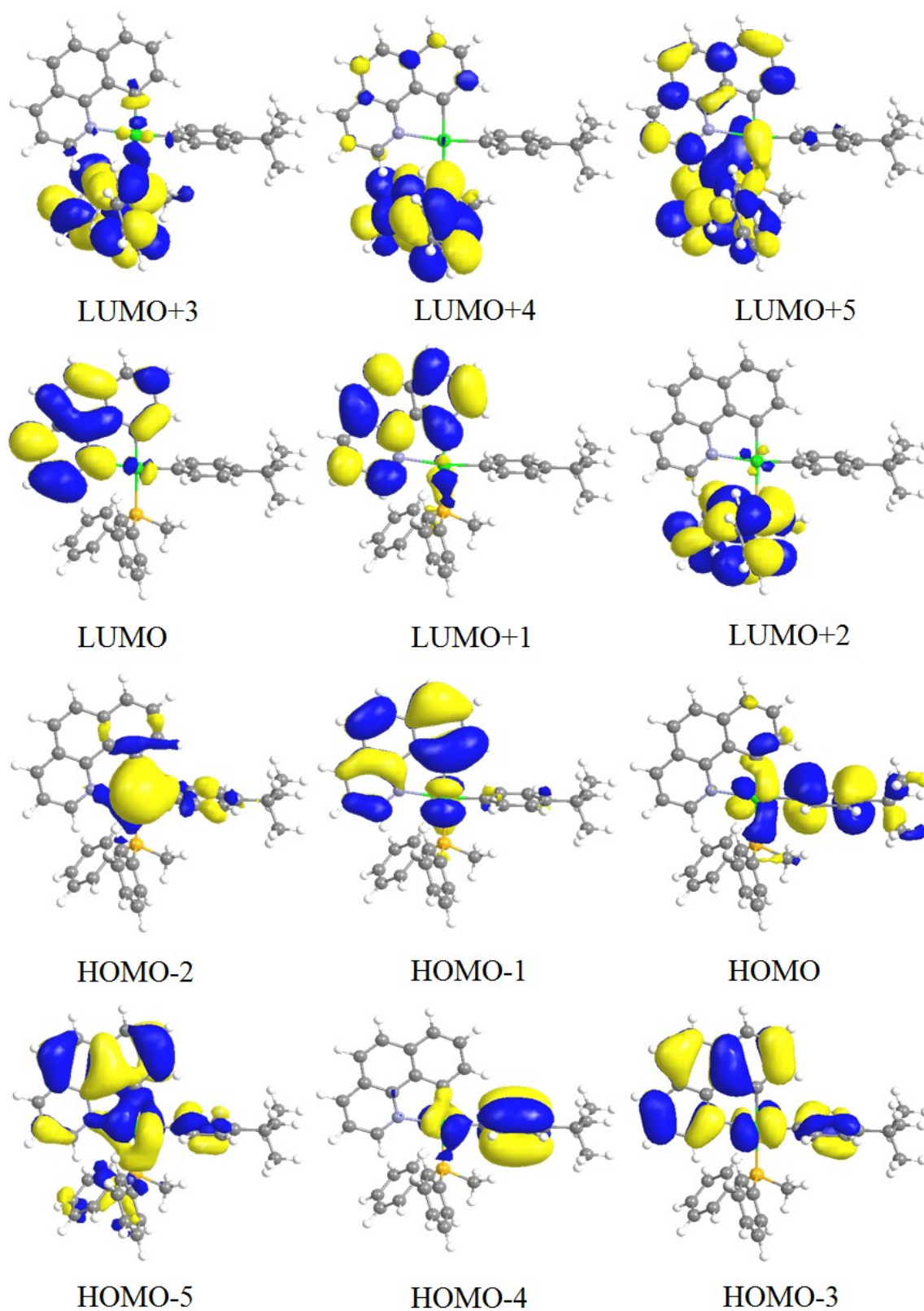
## 1.6. Complex 2c

**Table S21.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-<sup>t</sup>Bu-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **2c** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt <sub>1</sub>	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	<i>p</i> - <sup>t</sup> Bu-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>
-0.152	LUMO+6	4	46	46	4
-0.285	LUMO+5	6	65	27	2
-0.425	LUMO+4	5	86	8	1
-0.603	LUMO+3	9	82	7	1
-0.865	LUMO+2	3	94	2	1
-1.151	LUMO+1	4	6	89	1
-1.685	LUMO	3	2	94	1
-5.556	HOMO	25	5	10	60
-5.617	HOMO-1	28	3	67	2
-5.861	HOMO-2	82	2	7	9
-6.192	HOMO-3	45	1	45	9
-6.336	HOMO-4	16	3	4	77
-6.504	HOMO-5	44	9	40	7
-6.597	HOMO-6	22	40	35	3
-6.810	HOMO-7	50	7	42	1
-7.042	HOMO-8	1	96	2	1
-7.102	HOMO-9	2	95	2	1
-7.154	HOMO-10	5	78	7	10
-7.279	HOMO-11	18	36	22	24
-7.448	HOMO-12	20	30	30	20



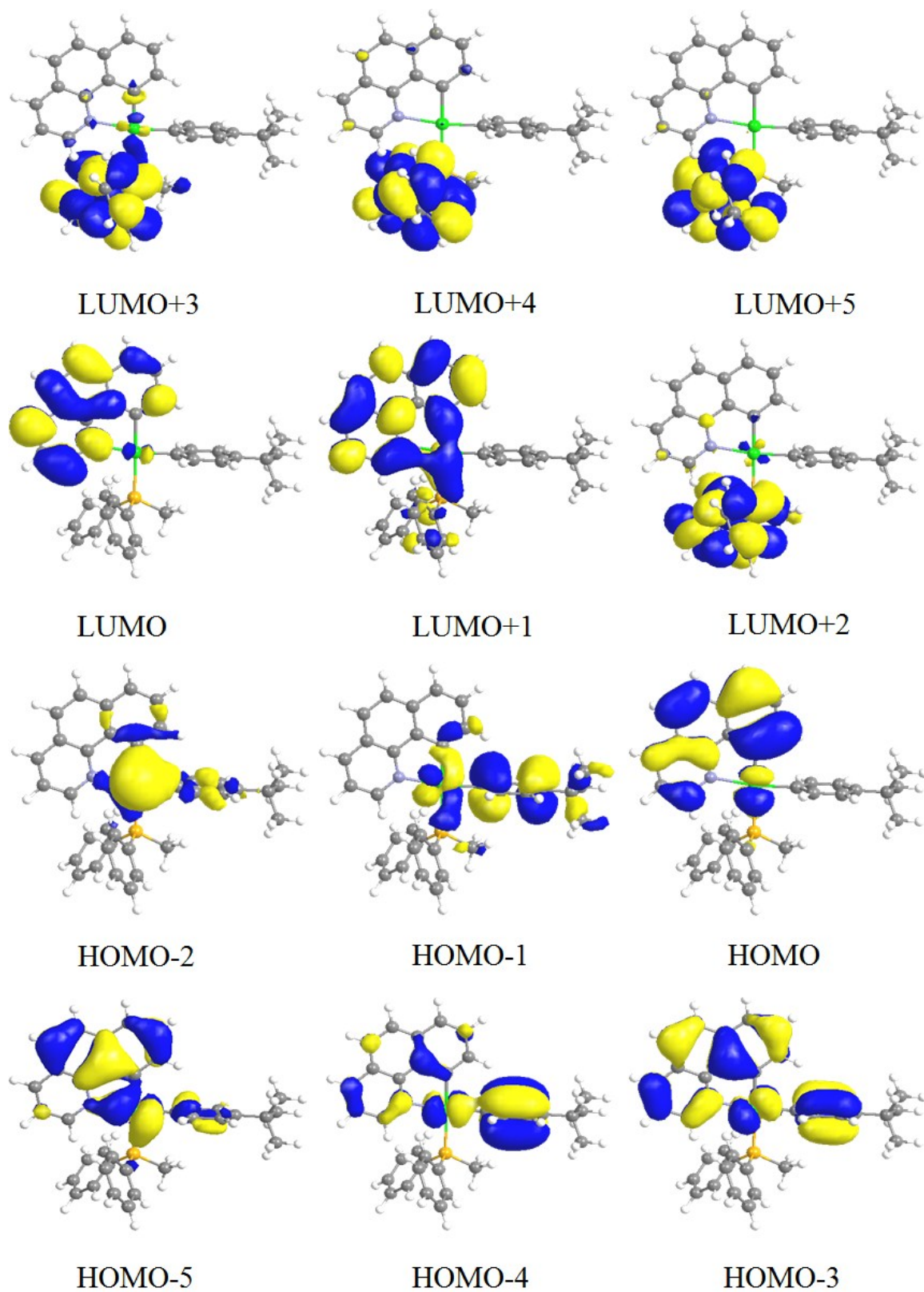




**Figure S16.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **2c**.

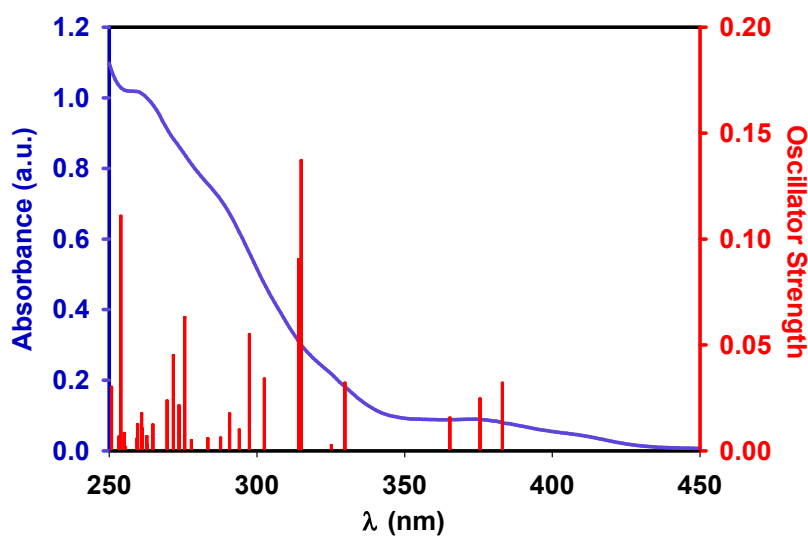
**Table S22.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-<sup>1</sup>Bu-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **2c** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt <sub>1</sub>	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	<i>p</i> - <sup>1</sup> Bu-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>
0.082	LUMO+6	4	12	80	4
-0.254	LUMO+5	2	94	4	0
-0.424	LUMO+4	6	89	4	1
-0.570	LUMO+3	5	88	6	1
-0.863	LUMO+2	2	93	4	1
-0.974	LUMO+1	4	13	81	2
-1.777	LUMO	2	1	96	1
-5.121	HOMO	20	3	77	0
-5.193	HOMO-1	24	5	8	63
-5.521	HOMO-2	80	2	9	9
-5.838	HOMO-3	42	1	35	22
-5.940	HOMO-4	25	2	11	62
-6.193	HOMO-5	64	1	28	7
-6.468	HOMO-6	16	41	41	2
-6.581	HOMO-7	39	4	57	0
-6.987	HOMO-8	20	15	23	43
-7.061	HOMO-9	1	93	3	3
-7.108	HOMO-10	1	96	2	1
-7.179	HOMO-11	51	16	12	21



**Figure S17.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **2c** in gas phase.

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**Figure S18.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **2c**.

**Table S23.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **2c** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength	main character
S1	H-1→L (65%) H→L (30%)	3.240	383	0.032	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S2	H→L (57%) H-1→L (25%) H-2→L (16%)	3.305	375	0.0244	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S3	H-2→L (82%) H→L (10%)	3.398	365	0.0153	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S4	H-3→L (46%) H-1→L+1 (33%) H→L+1 (12%)	3.764	329	0.032	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S6	H-2→L+1 (37%) H-1→L+1 (23%) H-3→L (20%)	3.940	315	0.137	MLCT/LC
S7	H-2→L+1 (55%) H-1→L+1 (19%) H-5→L (10%)	3.950	314	0.0903	MLCT/LC
S8	H-5→L (37%) H-4→L (32%) H-3→L (14%)	4.102	302	0.034	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S10	H-6→L (32%) H-3→L+1 (26%) H-4→L (21%)	4.172	297	0.055	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S11	H-6→L (56%) H-4→L (14%)	4.220	294	0.0097	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S13	H-3→L+1 (25%)	4.268	290	0.0173	MLCT/LC/LLCT

	H-7→L (21%) H-4→L (18%) H-5→L (17%)				
S14	H-2→L+2 (87%)	4.303	287	0.0059	MLCT
S17	H-5→L+1 (40%) H-7→L (19%) H-1→L+3 (10%)	4.503	275	0.063	MLCT/LC/LLCT

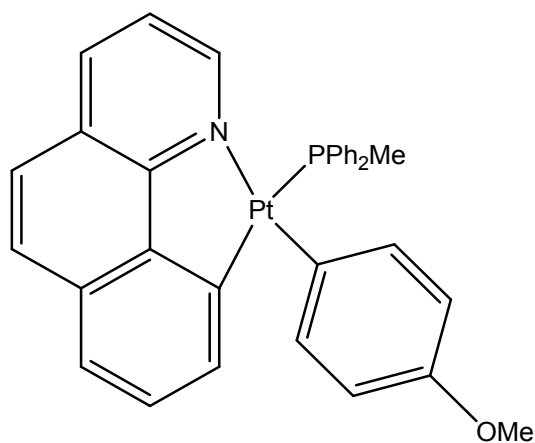
**Table S24.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **2c** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/eV$	$\lambda_{cal}/nm$	main character
T1	H→L (71%)	1.936	640	MLCT/LC
T2	H→L+1 (41%) H→L (25%) H-3→L (18%)	2.708	458	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T3	H-1→L (44%) H→L+1 (25%) H-3→L (18%)	2.826	439	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T4	H-1→L (34%) H-2→L (27%) H-3→L (19%) H→L+1 (10%)	2.885	430	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T5	H-2→L (68%) H-1→L (19%)	2.962	419	MLCT/LLCT

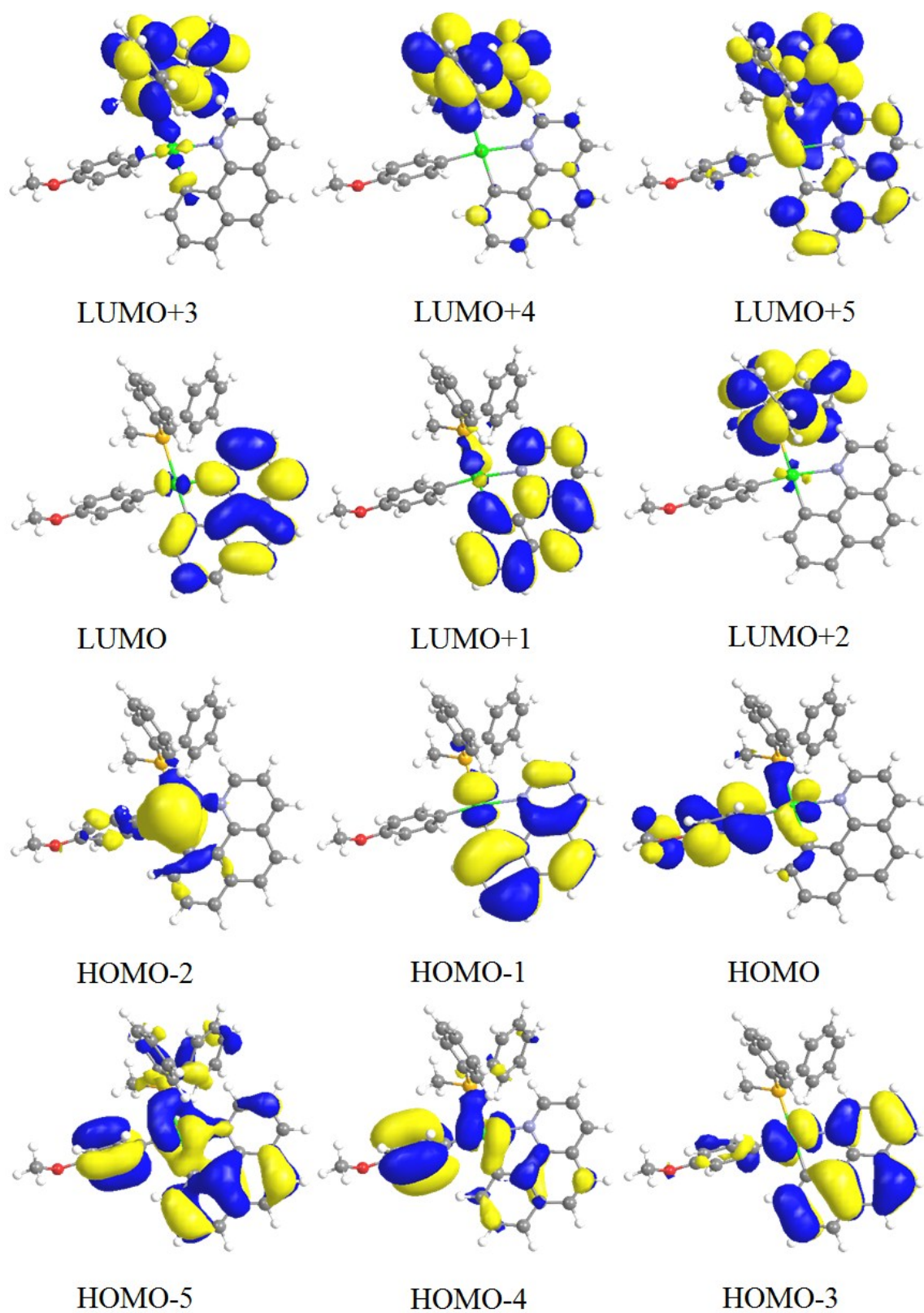
## 1.7. Complex 2d

**Table S25.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-MeO-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **2d** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	<i>p</i> -MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>
-0.154	LUMO+6	4	49	44	3
-0.278	LUMO+5	6	62	29	3
-0.427	LUMO+4	5	86	8	1
-0.609	LUMO+3	10	81	7	2
-0.859	LUMO+2	3	94	2	1
-1.150	LUMO+1	4	6	89	1
-1.684	LUMO	3	2	94	1
-5.240	HOMO	18	4	6	72
-5.612	HOMO-1	30	3	67	0
-5.870	HOMO-2	83	2	8	7
-6.195	HOMO-3	47	1	47	5
-6.435	HOMO-4	27	5	10	58
-6.520	HOMO-5	28	14	35	23
-6.577	HOMO-6	25	37	36	2
-6.806	HOMO-7	49	7	42	2
-7.038	HOMO-8	3	93	2	2
-7.101	HOMO-9	4	92	3	1
-7.149	HOMO-10	13	67	8	12
-7.223	HOMO-11	45	25	8	22
-7.332	HOMO-12	15	45	26	14





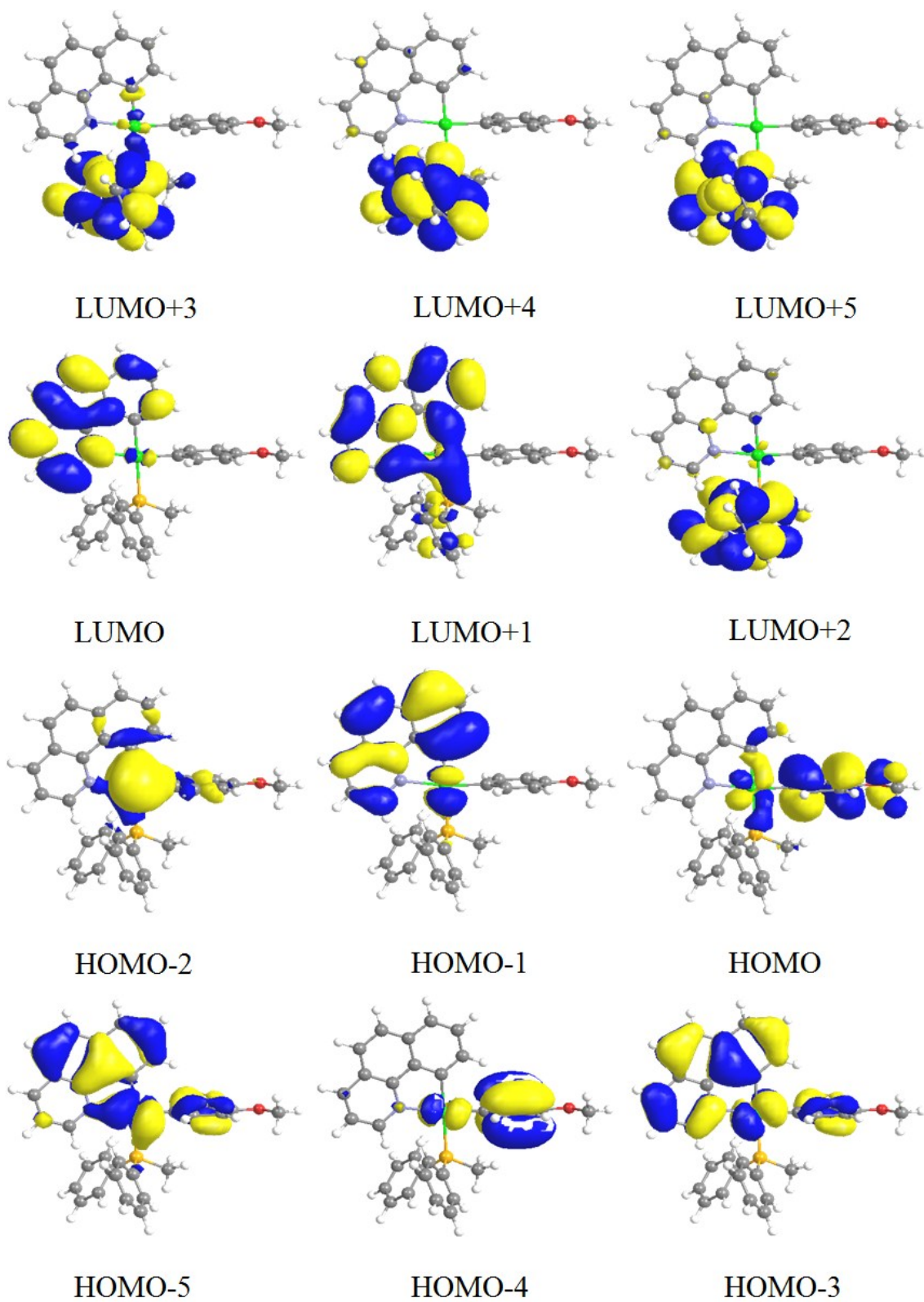


**Figure S19.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **2d**.

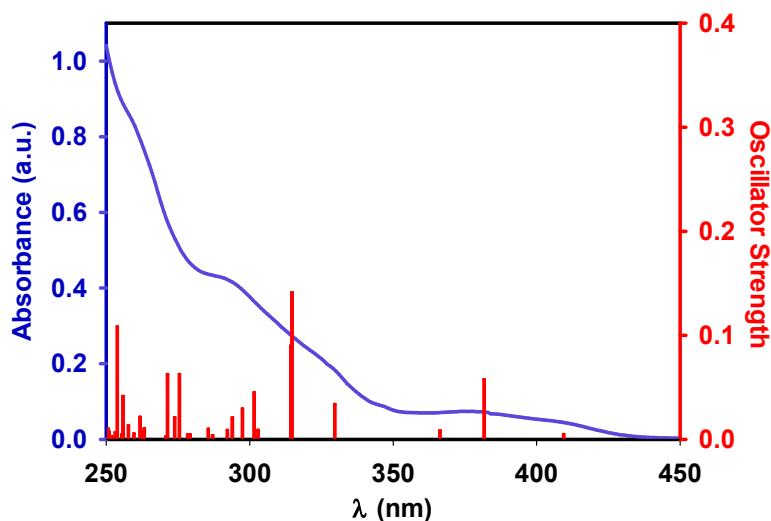
**Table S26.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(*p*-MeO-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)(bhq)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **2d** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	<i>p</i> -MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>
0.093	LUMO+6	4	12	80	4
-0.240	LUMO+5	3	93	4	0
-0.418	LUMO+4	5	89	5	1
-0.561	LUMO+3	6	87	6	1
-0.850	LUMO+2	3	92	4	1
-0.961	LUMO+1	4	15	80	1
-1.763	LUMO	2	1	96	1
-4.832	HOMO	16	4	6	74
-5.104	HOMO-1	21	2	77	0
-5.509	HOMO-2	81	2	10	7
-5.833	HOMO-3	51	1	41	7
-5.999	HOMO-4	17	2	2	79
-6.182	HOMO-5	61	2	28	9
-6.432	HOMO-6	14	42	42	2
-6.563	HOMO-7	39	4	57	0
-6.848	HOMO-8	52	6	12	30
-7.050	HOMO-9	1	96	2	1
-7.080	HOMO-10	17	41	17	25
-7.111	HOMO-11	6	77	7	10





**Figure S20.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **2d** in gas phase.



**Figure S21.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **2d**.

**Table S27.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **2d** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength	main character
S1	H→L (97%)	3.033	409	0.0047	MLCT/LLCT
S2	H-1→L (92%)	3.252	381	0.0574	MLCT/LC
S3	H-2→L (97%)	3.389	366	0.0082	MLCT
S5	H-3→L (51%) H-1→L+1 (41%)	3.766	329	0.034	MLCT/LC
S7	H-2→L+1 (37%) H-1→L+1 (26%) H-3→L (21%)	3.944	314	0.1411	MLCT/LC
S8	H-2→L+1 (60%) H-1→L+1 (17%)	3.949	313	0.09	MLCT/LC
S9	H→L+3 (95%)	4.097	303	0.0088	MLCT/LLCT
S10	H-4→L (36%) H-5→L (32%) H-3→L (11%)	4.116	301	0.045	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S11	H-6→L (64%) H-3→L+1 (18%)	4.172	297	0.029	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S12	H-1→L+2 (23%) H-3→L+1 (23%) H-6→L (22%) H-7→L (18%)	4.222	294	0.021	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S13	H-1→L+2 (71%)	4.247			MLCT/LLCT
S16	H-5→L (47%) H-4→L (37%)	4.345	285	0.0098	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S17	H-5→L+1 (26%) H-7→L (21%) H-4→L+1 (17%)	4.444	275	0.0624	MLCT/LC/LLCT

	H-3→L+1 (11%)			
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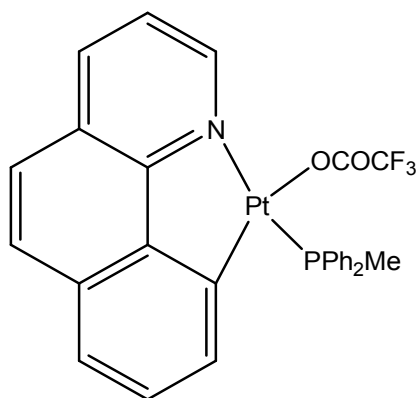
**Table S28.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **2d** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

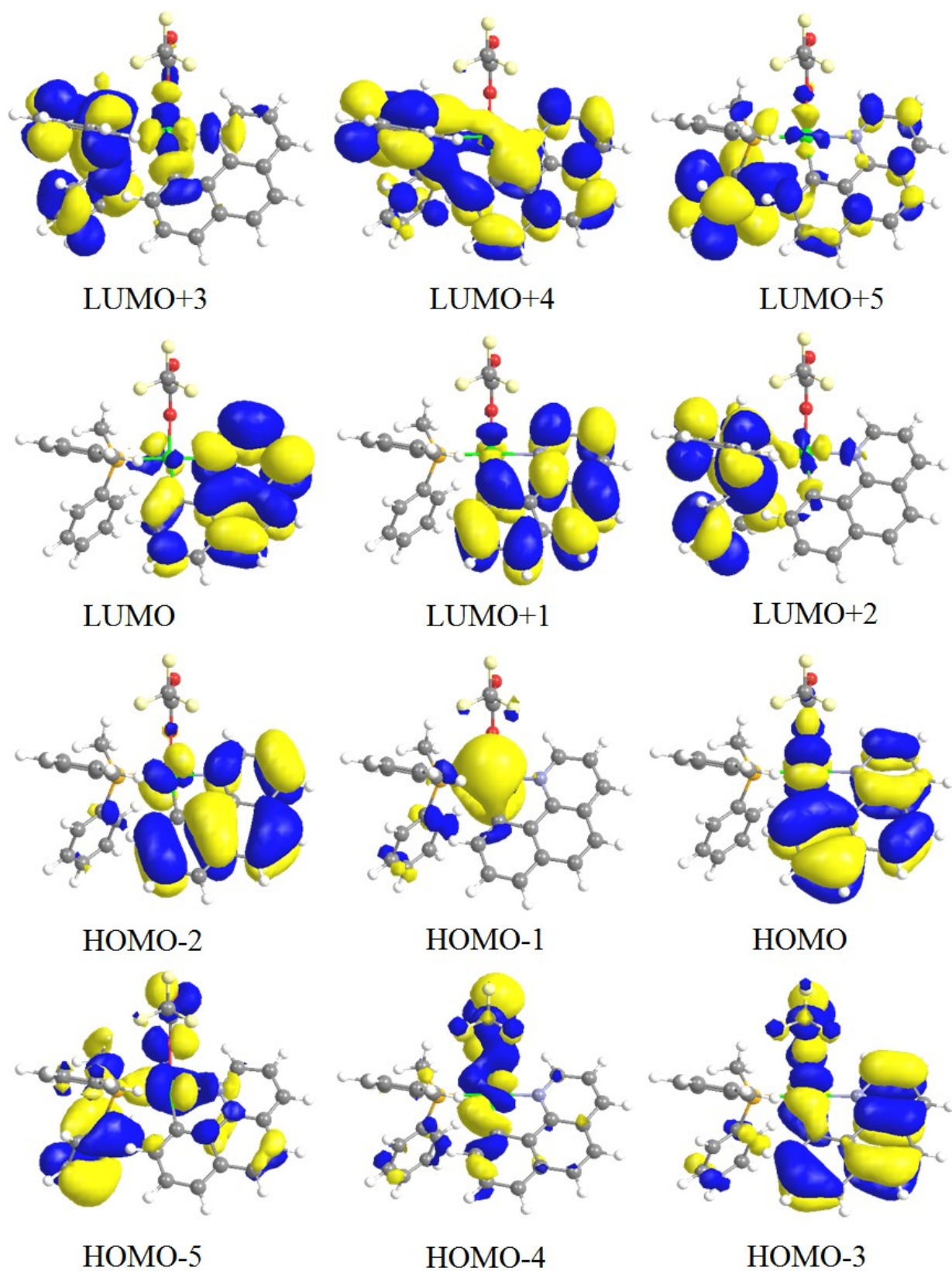
state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/eV$	$\lambda_{cal}/nm$	main character
T1	H-1→L (71%) H-3→L (11%)	1.936	641	MLCT/LC
T2	H→L (97%)	2.708	483	MLCT/LLCT
T3	H-1→L+1 (44%) H-1→L (24%) H-3→L (20%)	2.826	458	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T4	H-3→L (51%) H-1→L+1 (32%)	2.885	434	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T5	H-2→L (94%)	2.962	422	MLCT/LC/LLCT

### 1.8. Complex 3a

**Table S29.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(bhq)(CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **3a** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	CF <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub>
-0.337	LUMO+6	15	57	25	3
-0.443	LUMO+5	7	75	17	1
-0.523	LUMO+4	6	55	39	1
-0.884	LUMO+3	25	62	12	2
-0.987	LUMO+2	11	83	6	0
-1.342	LUMO+1	4	3	93	1
-1.933	LUMO	3	3	93	0
-5.814	HOMO	34	1	61	4
-6.417	HOMO-1	87	7	4	1
-6.498	HOMO-2	17	3	79	1
-6.936	HOMO-3	30	5	37	28
-6.976	HOMO-4	17	4	11	68
-7.076	HOMO-5	26	46	11	17
-7.097	HOMO-6	33	15	11	42
-7.115	HOMO-7	13	78	4	4
-7.170	HOMO-8	23	66	9	1
-7.211	HOMO-9	11	82	5	2
-7.300	HOMO-10	41	51	8	1
-7.645	HOMO-11	8	5	34	53



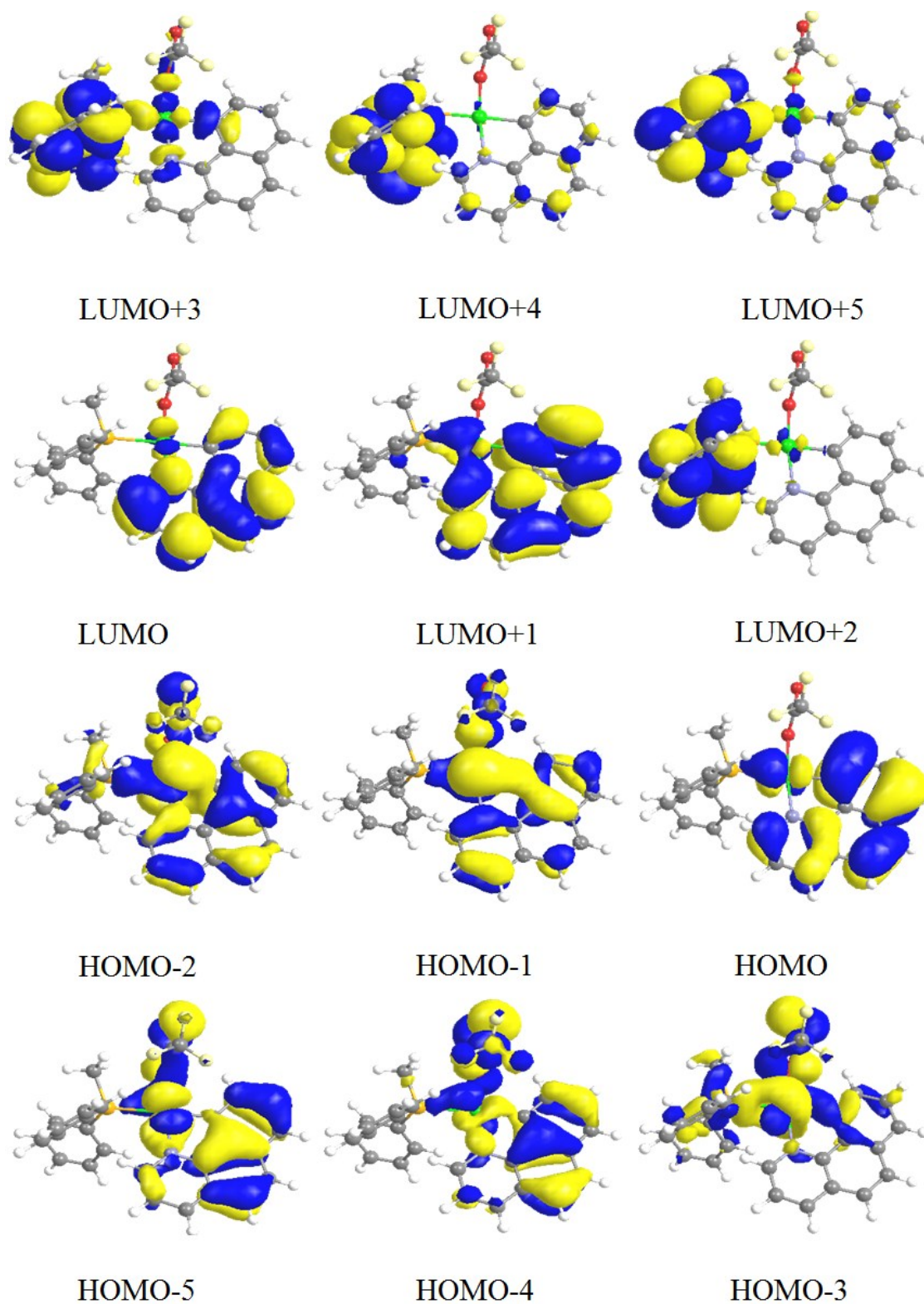


**Figure S22.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **3a**.

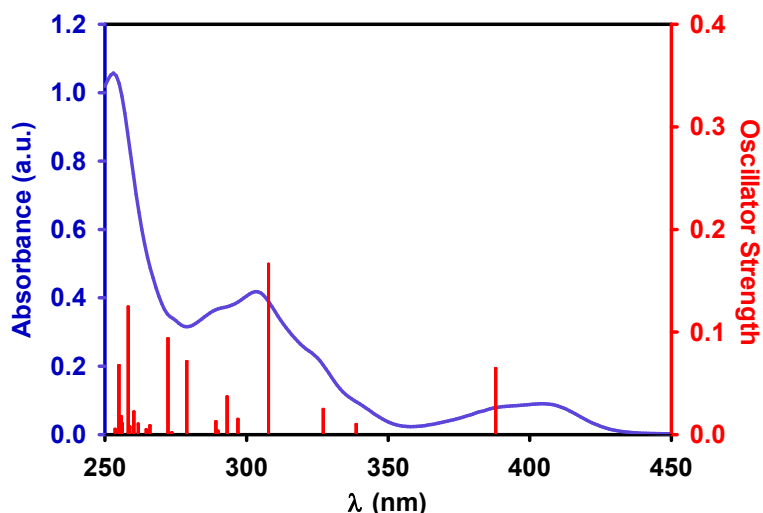
**Table S30.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(bhq)(CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **3a** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	CF <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub>
-0.235	LUMO+6	13	31	53	3
-0.416	LUMO+5	4	81	14	1
-0.540	LUMO+4	5	87	8	0
-0.843	LUMO+3	20	70	9	1
-1.009	LUMO+2	6	91	3	0
-1.331	LUMO+1	3	2	94	1
-2.025	LUMO	5	4	91	1
-5.472	HOMO	33	1	60	6
-6.378	HOMO-1	11	2	12	76
-6.419	HOMO-2	27	2	58	13
-6.439	HOMO-3	75	7	16	2
-6.583	HOMO-4	25	2	14	58
-6.762	HOMO-5	29	4	27	40
-7.100	HOMO-6	48	34	15	3
-7.122	HOMO-7	18	68	14	1
-7.190	HOMO-8	9	83	7	1
-7.252	HOMO-9	3	95	0	2
-7.317	HOMO-10	15	78	5	2
-7.430	HOMO-11	23	4	40	33





**Figure S23.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **3a** in gas phase.



**Figure S24.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **3a**.

**Table S31.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **3a** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength	main character
S1	H→L (96%)	3.200	387	0.064	MLCT/LC
S2	H-1→L (97%)	3.665	338	0.0099	MLCT
S3	H→L+1 (56%) H-2→L (39%)	3.795	327	0.0245	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S4	H→L+3 (56%) H→L+2 (18%)	3.941	315	0.0011	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S5	H-2→L (53%) H→L+1 (37%)	4.033	307	0.166	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S6	H-1→L+3 (49%) H-1→L+6 (13%) H-1→L+2 (11%)	4.179	297	0.0148	MLCT
S7	H-3→L (35%) H-2→L+1 (31%)	4.234	293	0.0368	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S9	H-1→L+1 (91%)	4.291	289	0.0126	MLCT
S11	H-5→L (19%) H-10→L (16%) H-3→L (14%) H-8→L (12%) H-7→L (12%)	4.449	279	0.0712	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S13	H→L+4 (25%) H-3→L (21%) H-5→L (20%) H-2→L+1 (10%)	4.557	272	0.0935	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S14	H-5→L (16%) H→L+6 (13%) H-6→L (11%)	4.667	266	0.0086	MLCT/LC/LLCT



	H→L+3 (11%)				
S19	H→L+4 (31%) H-8→L (15%) H→L+6 (10%) H-2→L+1 (10%)	4.805	258	0.1244	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S22	H→L+5 (15%) H-6→L+3 (12%)	4.866	255	0.0673	MLCT/LC/LLCT

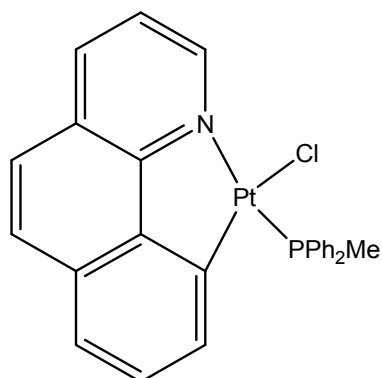
**Table S32.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **3a** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

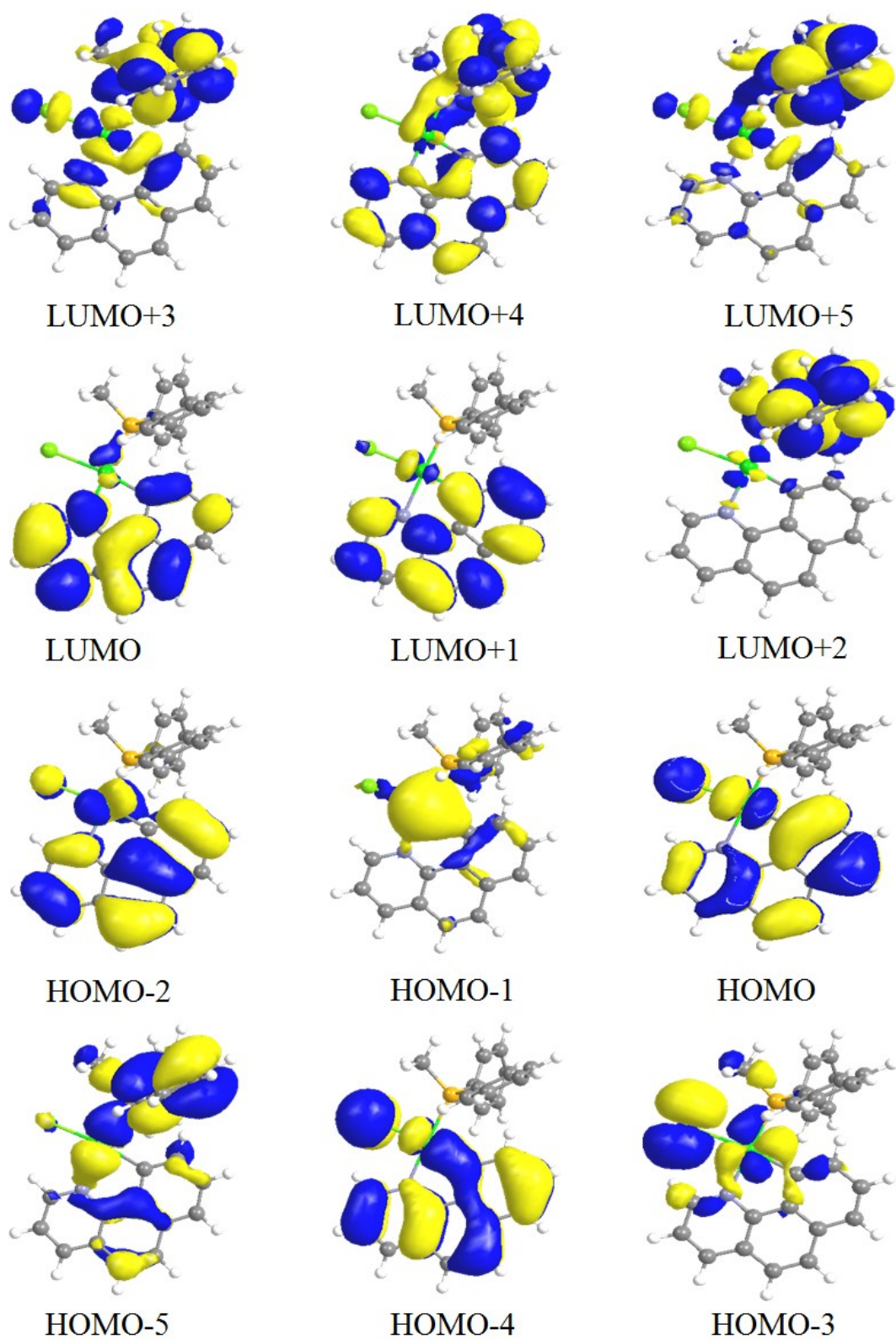
state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/eV$	$\lambda_{cal}/nm$	main character
T1	H→L (67%) H→L+1 (20%)	2.259	549	MLCT/LC
T2	H→L+1 (42%) H→L (30%) H-2→L (11%)	2.593	478	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T3	H-2→L (49%) H→L+1 (26%) H-3→L (10%)	2.995	414	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T4	H-3→L (76%) H-2→L (10%)	3.422	362	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T5	H→L+3 (29%) H-4→L (18%) H-5→L (13%) H→L+7 (11%)	3.563	348	MLCT/LC/LLCT

## 1.9. Complex 3b

**Table S33.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(bhq)(Cl)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **3b** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	Cl
-0.339	LUMO+6	12	55	30	3
-0.430	LUMO+5	11	73	12	4
-0.511	LUMO+4	7	63	30	1
-0.909	LUMO+3	28	52	16	4
-0.951	LUMO+2	7	89	4	0
-1.288	LUMO+1	4	3	92	1
-1.871	LUMO	3	4	93	0
-5.700	HOMO	36	1	52	11
-6.358	HOMO-1	85	7	7	1
-6.441	HOMO-2	21	3	73	3
-6.689	HOMO-3	29	3	6	61
-6.746	HOMO-4	23	1	45	31
-7.027	HOMO-5	35	53	11	1
-7.086	HOMO-6	11	83	4	1
-7.125	HOMO-7	29	57	12	1
-7.177	HOMO-8	7	90	3	0
-7.263	HOMO-9	22	64	10	5
-7.425	HOMO-10	9	6	42	43
-7.522	HOMO-11	17	4	37	43





**Figure S25.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **3b**.

**Table S34.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(bhq)(Cl)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **3b** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	Cl
-0.108	LUMO+6	7	22	70	1
-0.302	LUMO+5	7	85	6	2
-0.433	LUMO+4	6	81	12	0
-0.698	LUMO+3	21	66	11	2
-0.885	LUMO+2	2	95	3	0
-1.182	LUMO+1	6	6	87	1
-1.967	LUMO	2	2	96	0
-5.236	HOMO	32	1	49	18
-5.975	HOMO-1	22	2	49	26
-6.030	HOMO-2	23	3	7	67
-6.143	HOMO-3	86	5	8	1
-6.424	HOMO-4	14	1	55	30
-6.853	HOMO-5	27	7	35	30
-6.873	HOMO-6	43	10	31	16
-6.964	HOMO-7	7	75	16	3
-7.041	HOMO-8	3	89	7	2
-7.125	HOMO-9	14	62	15	10
-7.130	HOMO-10	13	56	19	11
-7.228	HOMO-11	16	73	7	4

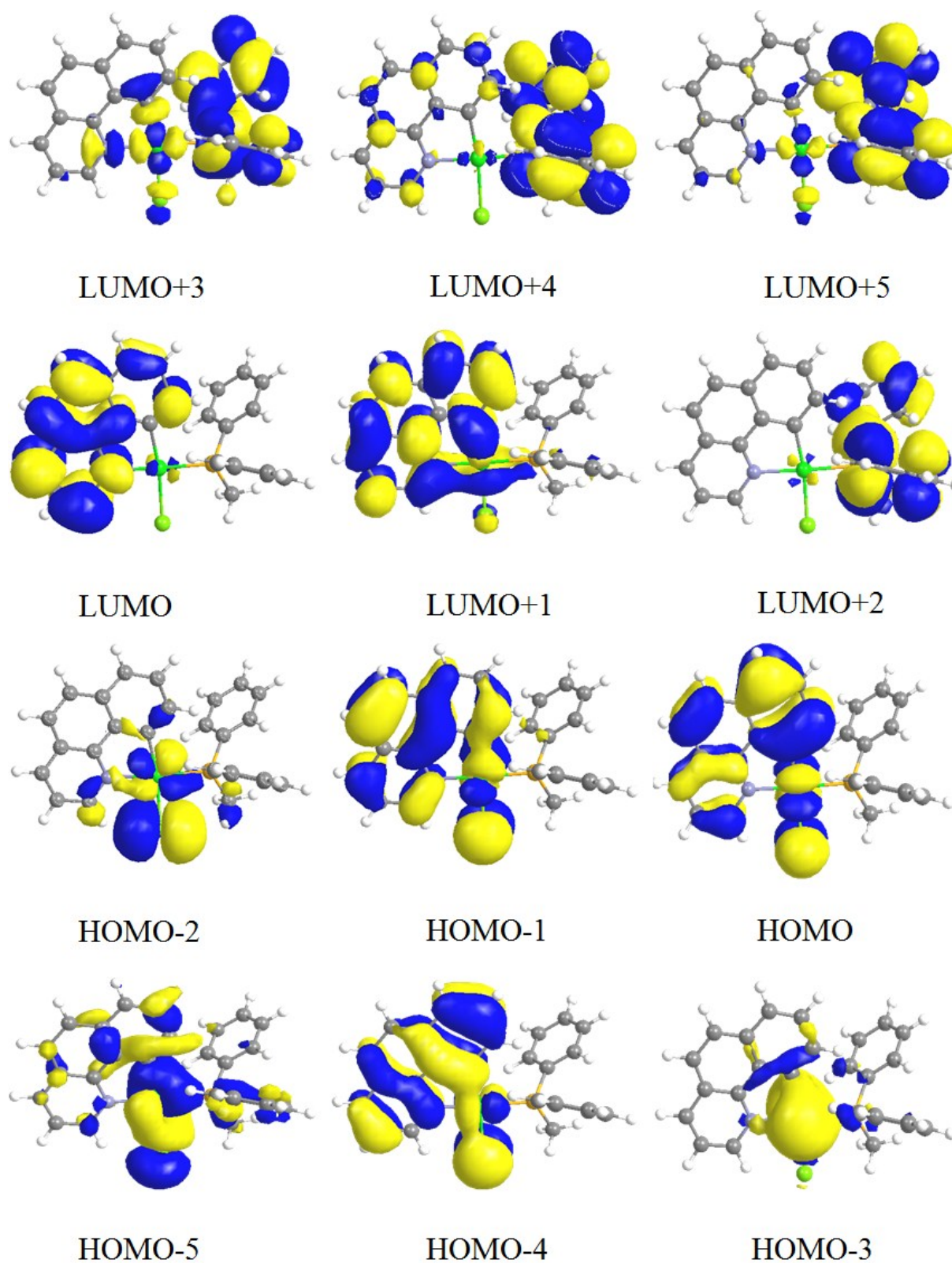
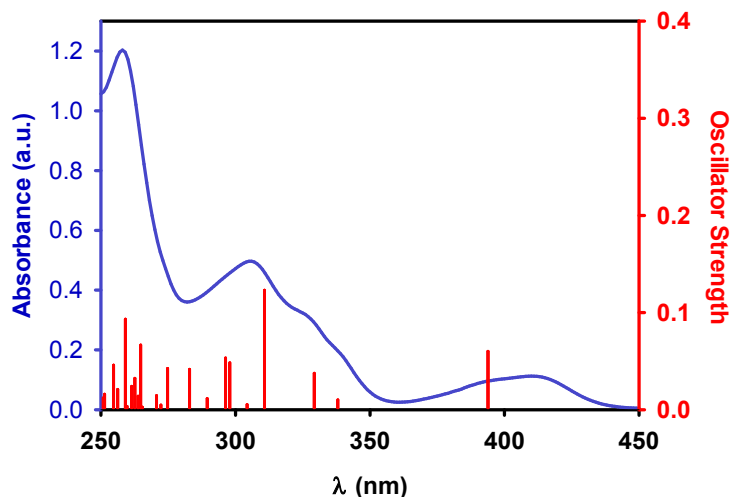


Figure S26. Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **3b** in gas phase.



**Figure S27.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **3b**.

**Table S35.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **3b** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength	main character
S1	H→L (96%)	3.148	394	0.0602	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S2	H-1→L (93%)	3.668	338	0.0102	MLCT
S3	H→L+3 (70%)	3.759	330	0.0016	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S4	H-2→L (25%) H→L+1 (66%)	3.766	329	0.0377	MLCT/LC
S5	H-2→L (22%) H→L+1 (61%)	3.990	311	0.1231	MLCT/LC
S8	H-1→L+2 (22%) H-2→L+2 (16%)	4.163	298	0.0484	MLCT/LLCT
S9	H→L+2 (44%) H-4→L (33%) H-2→L+1 (10%)	4.185	296	0.0533	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S10	H-1→L+1 (94%)	4.284	289	0.0116	MLCT
S11	H-2→L+1 (26%) H-5→L (22%) H-4→L (15%) H-7→L (10%)	4.383	283	0.0417	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S12	H→L+4 (33%) H-5→L (26%) H→L+6 (10%)	4.513	275	0.0426	MLCT/LC/LLCT

**Table S36.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **3b** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

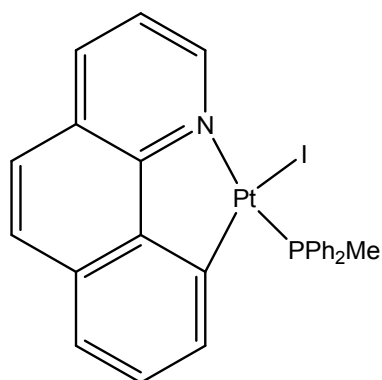
state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	main character
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T1	H→L (60%) H-1→L (23%)	1.973	628	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T2	H→L+1 (36%) H→L (35%), H-1→L (16%)	2.617	474	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T3	H→L+1 (40%) H-1→L (37%)	2.842	436	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T4	H-3→L (82%)	3.331	372	MLCT
T5	H-2→L (93%)	3.360	369	MLCT/LLCT

### 1.10. Complex 3c

**Table S37.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(bhq)(I)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **3c** in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	I
-0.346	LUMO+6	6	54	39	1
-0.472	LUMO+5	15	72	9	5
-0.580	LUMO+4	5	68	25	2
-0.921	LUMO+3	4	93	3	0
-1.163	LUMO+2	30	38	25	7
-1.343	LUMO+1	10	8	81	2
-1.904	LUMO	3	4	93	0
-5.680	HOMO	34	1	43	22
-6.126	HOMO-1	14	3	6	77
-6.231	HOMO-2	44	4	26	25
-6.434	HOMO-3	46	5	30	20
-6.518	HOMO-4	11	3	67	19
-6.791	HOMO-5	26	4	36	33
-7.030	HOMO-6	37	51	12	1
-7.088	HOMO-7	27	63	9	0
-7.097	HOMO-8	15	75	10	0
-7.180	HOMO-9	3	94	3	0
-7.206	HOMO-10	27	35	29	9
-7.390	HOMO-11	41	38	16	5
-7.882	HOMO-12	75	9	13	4





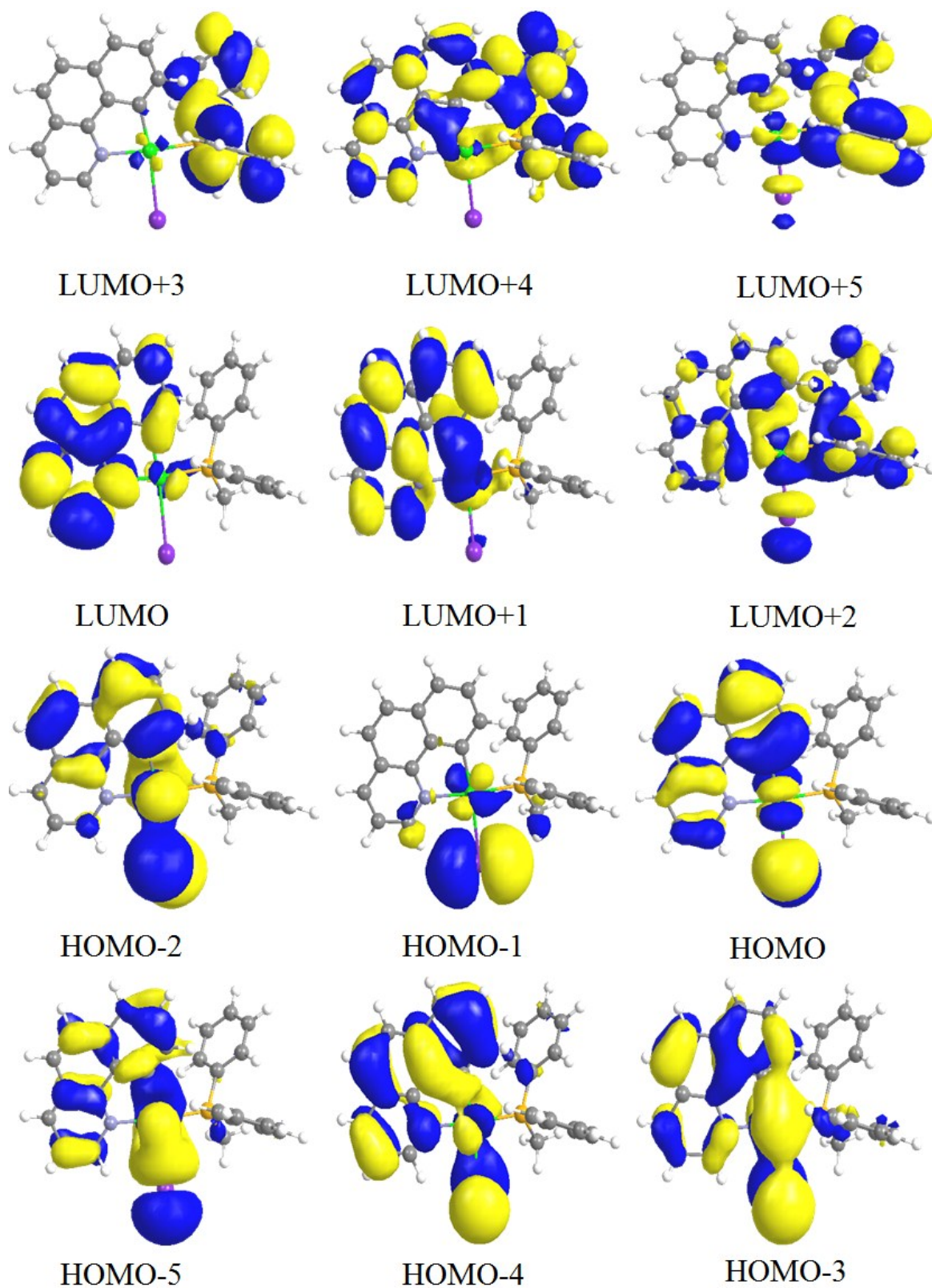
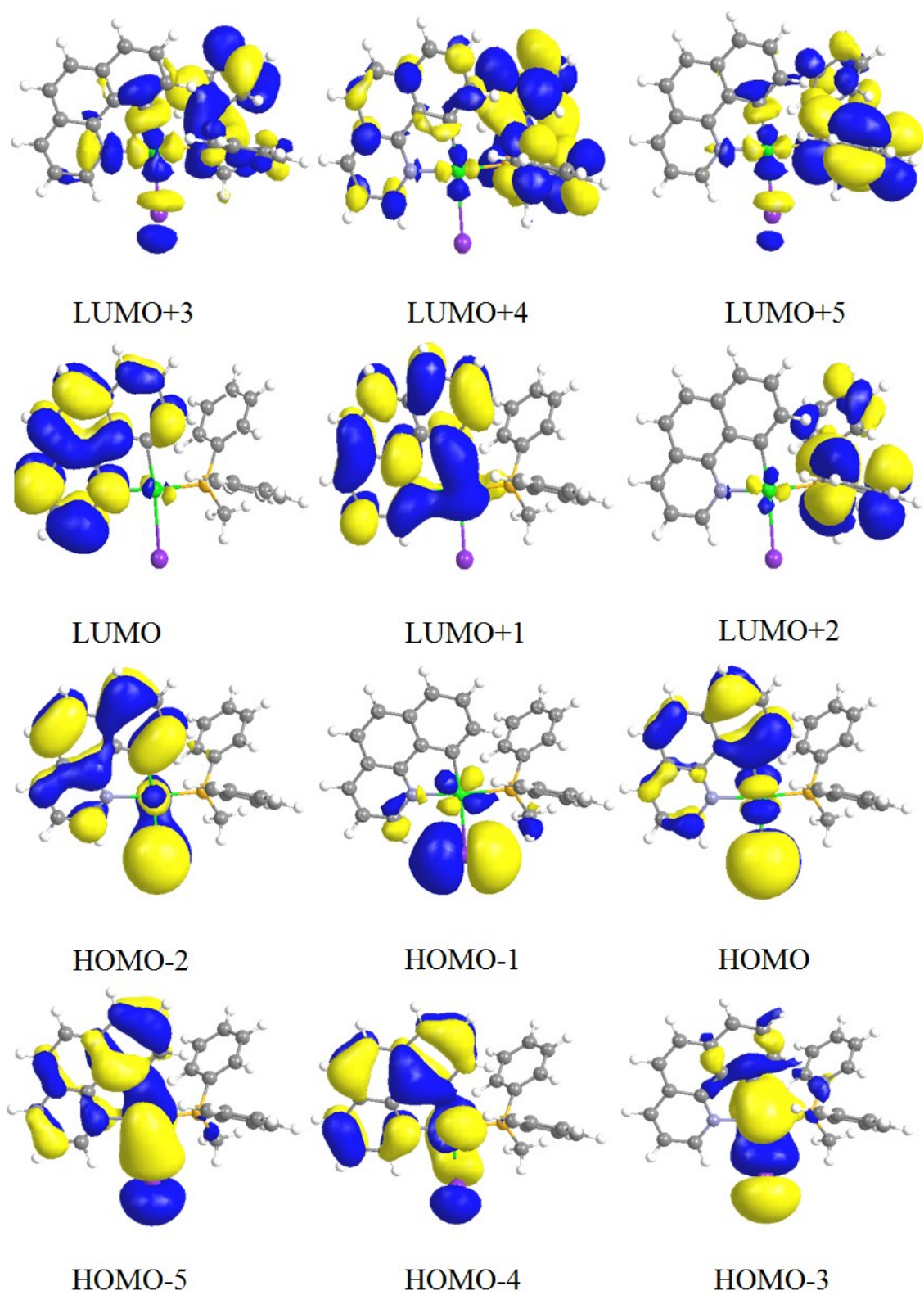


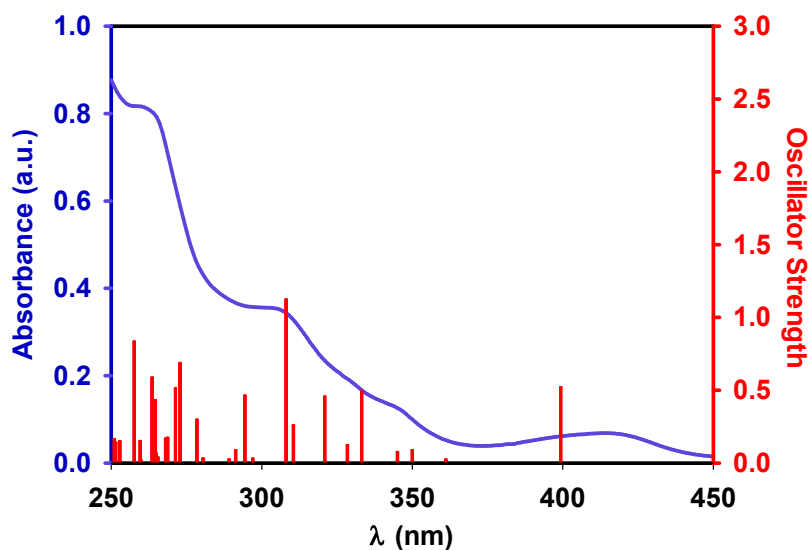
Figure S28. Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **3c**.

**Table S38.** Fragment contributions (%; from atomic orbital contributions) to the frontier orbitals of [Pt(bhq)(I)(PPh<sub>2</sub>Me)], **3c** in gas phase.

Energies(eV)	number	Pt	PPh <sub>2</sub> Me	Bhq	I
-0.245	LUMO+6	8	56	34	2
-0.351	LUMO+5	9	79	7	4
-0.501	LUMO+4	6	77	15	1
-0.839	LUMO+3	28	52	17	4
-0.900	LUMO+2	2	95	2	1
-1.263	LUMO+1	7	5	87	1
-2.040	LUMO	2	2	96	0
-5.155	HOMO	27	1	27	45
-5.462	HOMO-1	11	3	7	78
-5.741	HOMO-2	5	2	63	29
-6.096	HOMO-3	40	4	31	24
-6.266	HOMO-4	45	2	47	6
-6.463	HOMO-5	45	5	32	18
-6.923	HOMO-6	59	17	24	0
-6.993	HOMO-7	29	44	25	2
-7.035	HOMO-8	20	54	24	2
-7.088	HOMO-9	9	85	5	1
-7.142	HOMO-10	3	96	2	0
-7.246	HOMO-11	19	76	5	1



**Figure S29.** Qualitative frontier molecular orbitals for complex **3c** in gas phase.



**Figure S30.** Experimental UV-vis spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K and calculated absorption spectra, showing by bars, in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  for the complex **3c**.

**Table S39.** Selected vertical singlet excitations of **3c** from TDDFT calculations at the ground state geometry in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution ( $10^{-5}$ ).

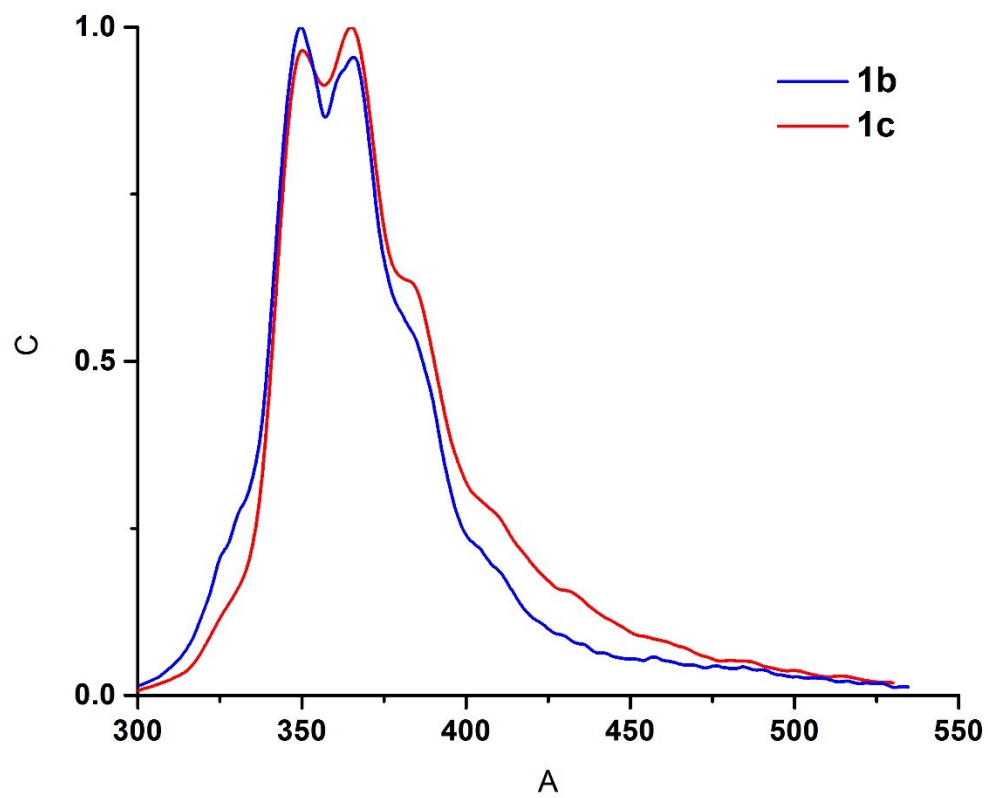
state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/\text{eV}$	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	oscillator strength	main character
S1	H→L (96%)	3.109	399	0.0517	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S2	H→L+2 (65%) H→L+1 (19%)	3.437	361	0.0021	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S3	H-2→L (47%) H-1→L (31%)	3.547	350	0.0085	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S5	H→L+1 (27%) H-2→L+2 (18%)	3.726	333	0.0491	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S6	H→L+1 (32%) H-2→L+2 (17%) H→L+2 (13%) H-3→L+2 (10%)	3.779	328	0.0119	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S7	H-3→L (76%) H-2→L (10%)	3.868	320	0.0453	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S8	H-1→L+2 (54%) H-1→L+1 (23%)	3.997	310	0.0256	MLCT/LLCT
S10	H-4→L (71%)	4.028	308	0.112	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S12	H-2→L+1 (28%) H-1→L+1 (18%) H-5→L (13%) H-3→L+1 (11%)	4.216	294	0.0459	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S13	H-1→L+1 (48%) H-1→L+2 (19%) H-2→L+1 (18%)	4.260	291	0.0084	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S18	H→L+5 (32%) H→L+4 (15%)	4.548	273	0.0684	MLCT/LC/LLCT

	H-6→ (14%)				
S19	H-3→L+1 (24%) H-4→L+1 (22%) H-3→L+2 (14%) H-4→L+2 (13%)	4.573	280	0.0509	MLCT/LC/LLCT
S28	H→L+6 (33%) H-5→L+1 (31%)	4.816	257	0.0831	MLCT/LC/LLCT

**Table S40.** Lowest-energy vertical triplet excitations of **3c** from TDDFT calculations in gas phase.

state	Monoexcitations <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E/eV$	$\lambda_{cal}/nm$	main character
T1	H→L (44%) H-2→L (32%)	1.981	626	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T2	H→L (48%) H→L+1 (19%) H-4→L (10%)	2.534	489	MLCT/LC/LLCT
T3	H-1→L (96%)	2.789	444	MLCT/LLCT
T4	H→L+1 (39%) H-2→L (22%) H-2→L+1 (13%)	2.809	441	MLCT/LLCT
T5	H-4→L (49%) H-2→L (31%)	3.055	406	MLCT/LC/LLCT

### 1.11. Emission spectra in dichloromethane

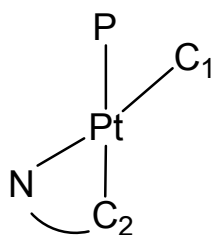


**Figure S31.** Experimental emission spectra of **1b** and **1c** in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $10^{-5}$  M) at 298 K.

## 2. Supplementary computational data

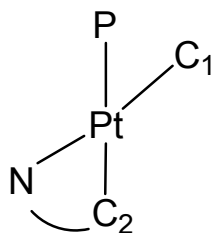
**Table S41.** Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) of the optimized structures of Complexes **1** in the ground state.

	<b>1a</b> (calc.)	<b>1b</b> (calc.)	<b>1b</b> (exp.)	<b>1c</b> (calc.)	<b>1c</b> (exp.)
Pt–N	2.237	2.222	2.145	2.218	2.145
Pt–P	2.422	2.404	2.294	2.393	2.294
Pt–C(1)	2.024	2.027	2.013	2.026	2.013
Pt–C(2)	2.045	2.047	2.041	2.047	2.041
C(1)–Pt–C(2)	91.3	92.2	90.5	92.3	90.5
C(1)–Pt–N	170.5	171.7	170.9	171.9	170.9
C(1)–Pt–P	91.4	88.2	90.4	89.3	90.4
P–Pt–C(2)	176.9	179.4	176.4	177.1	176.4
P–Pt–N	98.0	100.0	98.6	98.7	98.6
C(2)–Pt–N	79.4	79.5	80.4	79.6	80.4



**Table S42.** Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) of the optimized structures of Complexes **2** in the ground state.

	<b>2a</b> (calc.)	<b>2b</b> (calc.)	<b>2c</b> (calc.)	<b>2d</b> (calc.)
Pt–N	2.221	2.217	2.224	2.222
Pt–P	2.405	2.406	2.402	2.403
Pt–C(1)	2.027	2.028	2.026	2.029
Pt–C(2)	2.047	2.047	2.047	2.046
C(1)–Pt–C(2)	92.2	92.2	92.3	92.3
C(1)–Pt–N	171.7	171.7	171.8	171.8
C(1)–Pt–P	88.3	88.2	88.5	88.6
P–Pt–C(2)	179.4	179.5	179.0	179.1
P–Pt–N	99.9	100.0	99.6	99.6
C(2)–Pt–N	79.5	79.6	79.5	79.6





**Table S43.** Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) of the optimized structures of Complexes **3** in the ground state.

	<b>3a</b> (calc.)	<b>3b</b> (calc.)	<b>3b</b> (exp.)	<b>3c</b> (calc.)
Pt-N	2.121	2.129	2.106	2.153
Pt-P	2.292	2.292	2.224	2.297
Pt-C	2.016	2.034	2.013	2.043
Pt-X	2.169	2.470	2.394	2.835
C-Pt-X	170.7	171.5	171.3	170.6
C-Pt-N	81.3	80.7	81.2	80.3
C-Pt-P	98.9	97.9	96.0	96.5
P-Pt-X	90.3	90.6	92.2	91.1
P-Pt-N	176.1	178.4	176.7	175.2
X-Pt-N	89.4	90.8	90.6	92.3

