Supporting information

Linearly Polarized Electroluminescence from Ionic Iridium

Complex-based Metallomesogens: The Effect of Aliphatic-Chain

on Their Photophysical Properties

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NMR spectra and MALDI-MS spectra

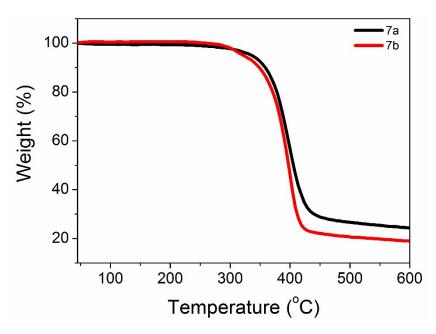


Figure S1. TGA curves of 7a (black) and 7b (red) measured at heating rate 10 °C/min under $N_{\rm 2}$

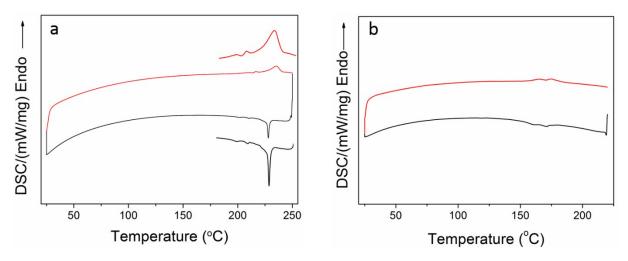


Figure S2. DSC traces of (a) **7a** and (b) **7b** (black: first cooling curve, scan: 10 °C/min; red: second heating curve, scan: 10 °C/min).

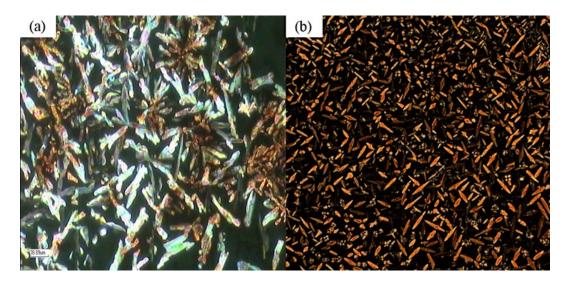


Figure S3. Photomicrographs of (a) **7a** at 225 °C on cooling, (b) **7b** at 174 °C on cooling.



Figure S4. Photomicrographs of 7b at 171°C on cooling process after shearing

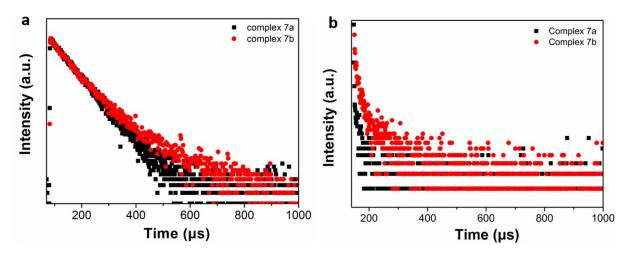


Figure S5. Luminescence decay time of complex in solution (a) and neat film (b) after degassed

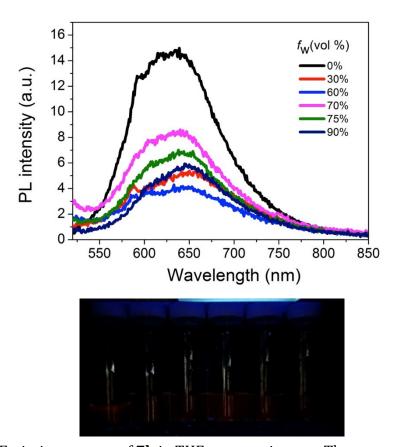


Figure S6. Emission spectra of **7b** in THF–water mixtures. The concentration of pure THF is 10^{-4} M. Excitation wavelength is 510 nm. Photographs of **7b** in THF–water mixtures with different $f_{\rm w}$ values (from left to right: 0%, 30%, 60%, 70%, 75% and 90%) taken under UV illumination at 365 nm.

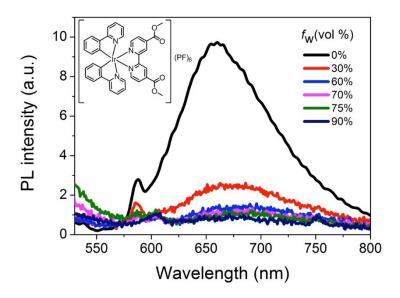


Figure S7. Emission spectra of $[Ir(ppy)_2(deeb)][PF_6]$ in THF–water mixtures. The concentration of pure THF is 10^{-4} M. Excitation wavelength is 510 nm.



Figure S8 The emission of complex 7a under UV light (365 nm) at room temperature. The solution is the CH_2Cl_2 :hexane (V/V = 1:1, 10^{-3} M). After the CH_2Cl_2 volatized, the sample was self-assembled in hexane solution

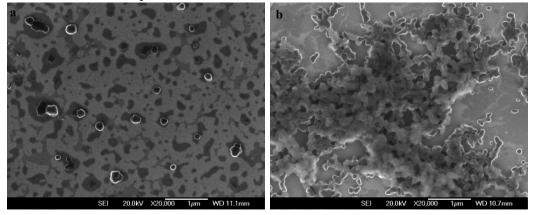


Figure S9. SEM images of **7a**, prepared in a THF–water mixture with (a) 30% and (b) 90% water content.

NMR spectra and MALDI-MS spectra

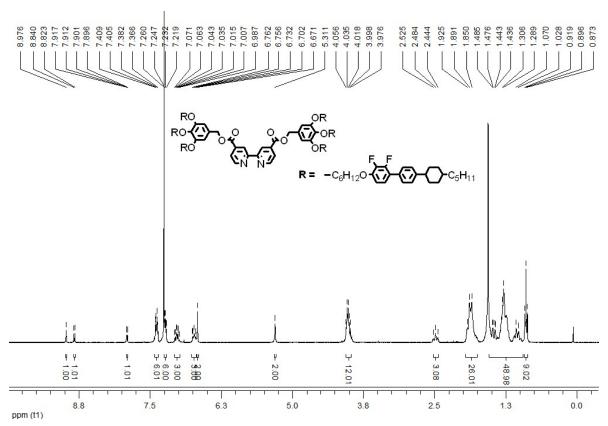


Figure S7. ¹H NMR spectra of **6a** in CDCl₃

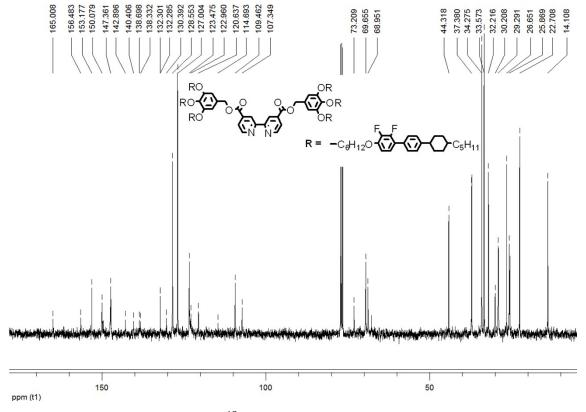
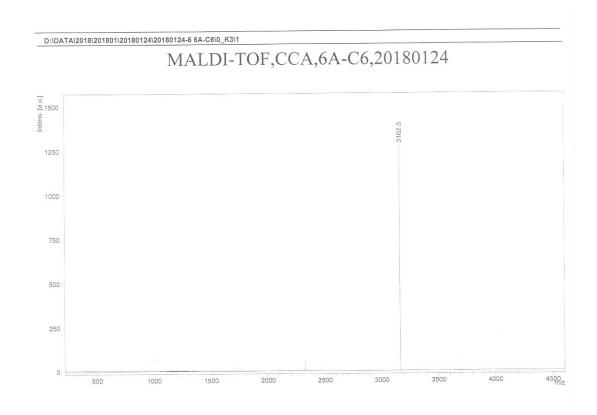
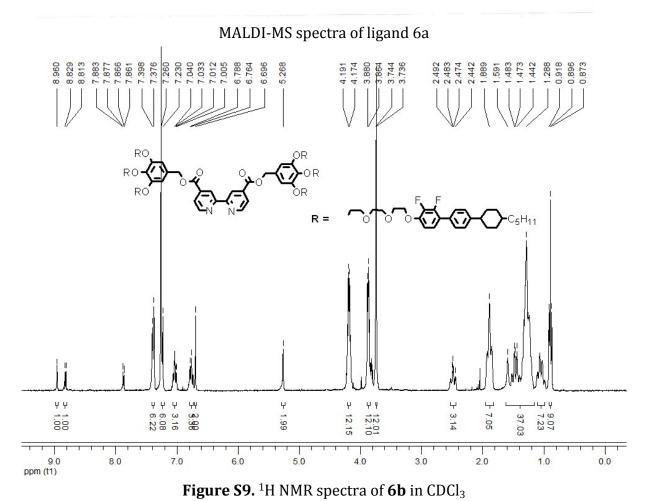


Figure S8. ¹³C NMR spectra of **6a** in CDCl₃





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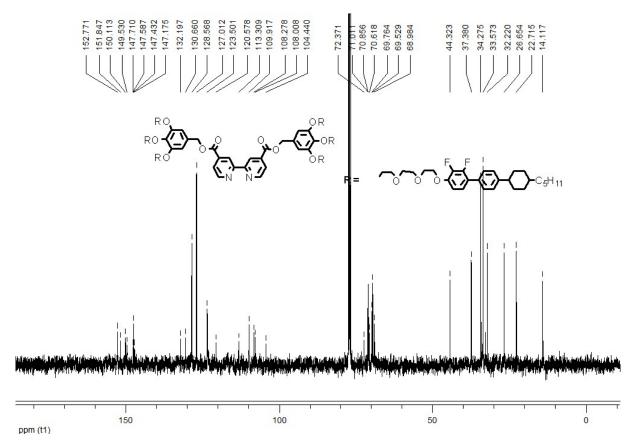
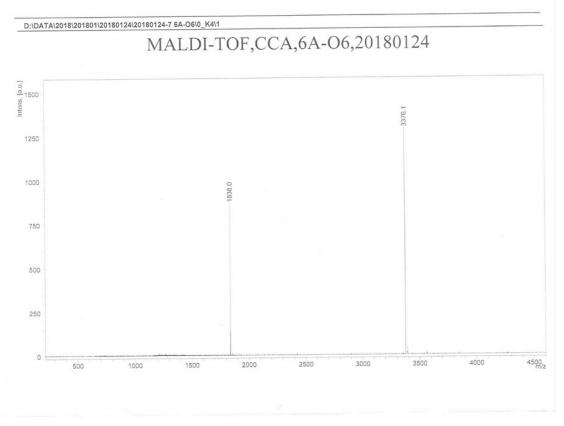


Figure S10. ¹³C NMR spectra of **6b** in CDCl₃



MALDI-MS spectra of ligand 6b

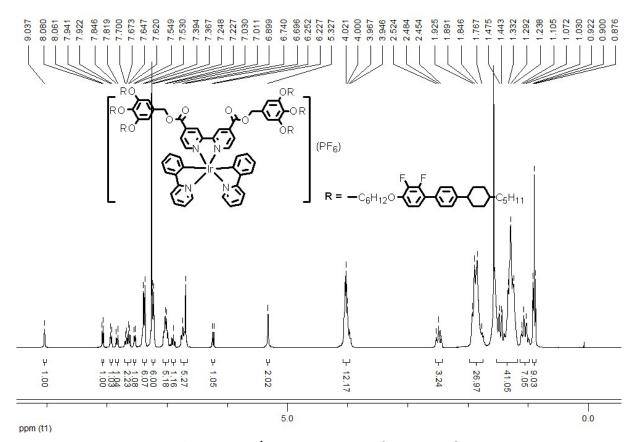


Figure S11. 1 H NMR spectra of 7a in CDCl $_{3}$

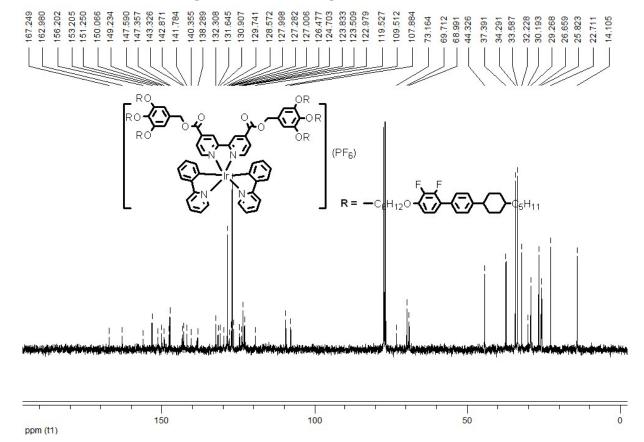
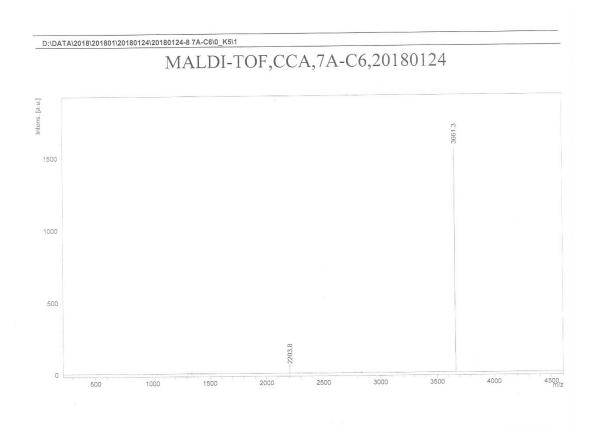


Figure S12. ^{13}C NMR spectra of $\mathbf{7a}$ in CDCl $_3$



MALDI-MS spectra of ligand 7a

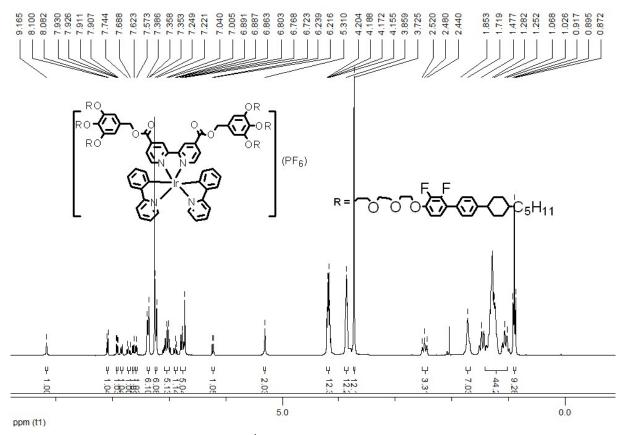


Figure S13. $^1\mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra of $\mathbf{7b}$ in CDCl_3

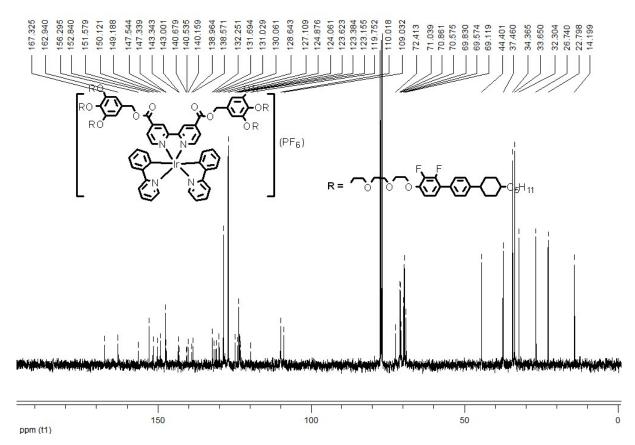
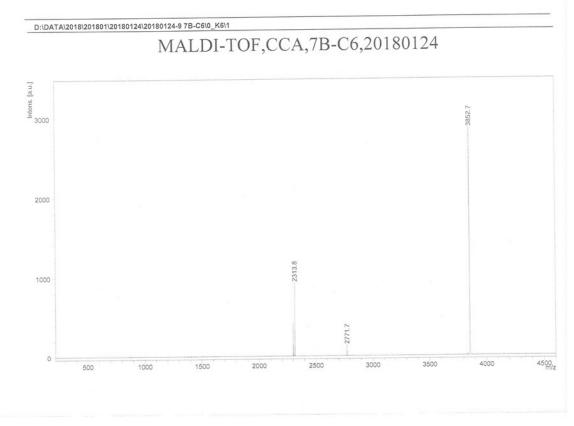


Figure S14. 13 C NMR spectra of **7b** in CDCl $_3$



MALDI-MS spectra of ligand 7b

Table S1. Electroluminescent data of EL devices.

Devices	Complex	Emission /nm	R	Luminance /cd m ⁻²	Current efficiency /cd A ⁻¹	EQE %	$V_{ m turn\text{-}on} \ extsf{V}$
I							
	7a	640	N/A	2.5	0.01	0.03	8.8
	7b	647	1.1	2	0.04	0.01	9.2
II							
	7a	661	1.4	20	0.57	0.85	6
	7b	707	1.1	2	0.1	0.36	12
III							
	7a	641	1.2	5	1.1	1.1	8.5
	7b	642	N/A	34	0.1	0.09	5
IV			-				
	7a	640	1.1	4	0.03	0.04	12
	7b	678/660	4	1.2	0.01	0.01	5.5