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New discovery in crystallography: correlation of terahertz time-domain spectra with crystal structures, and photoluminescence properties of mononuclear/ binuclear diimine-Cu (I)-phosphine complexes

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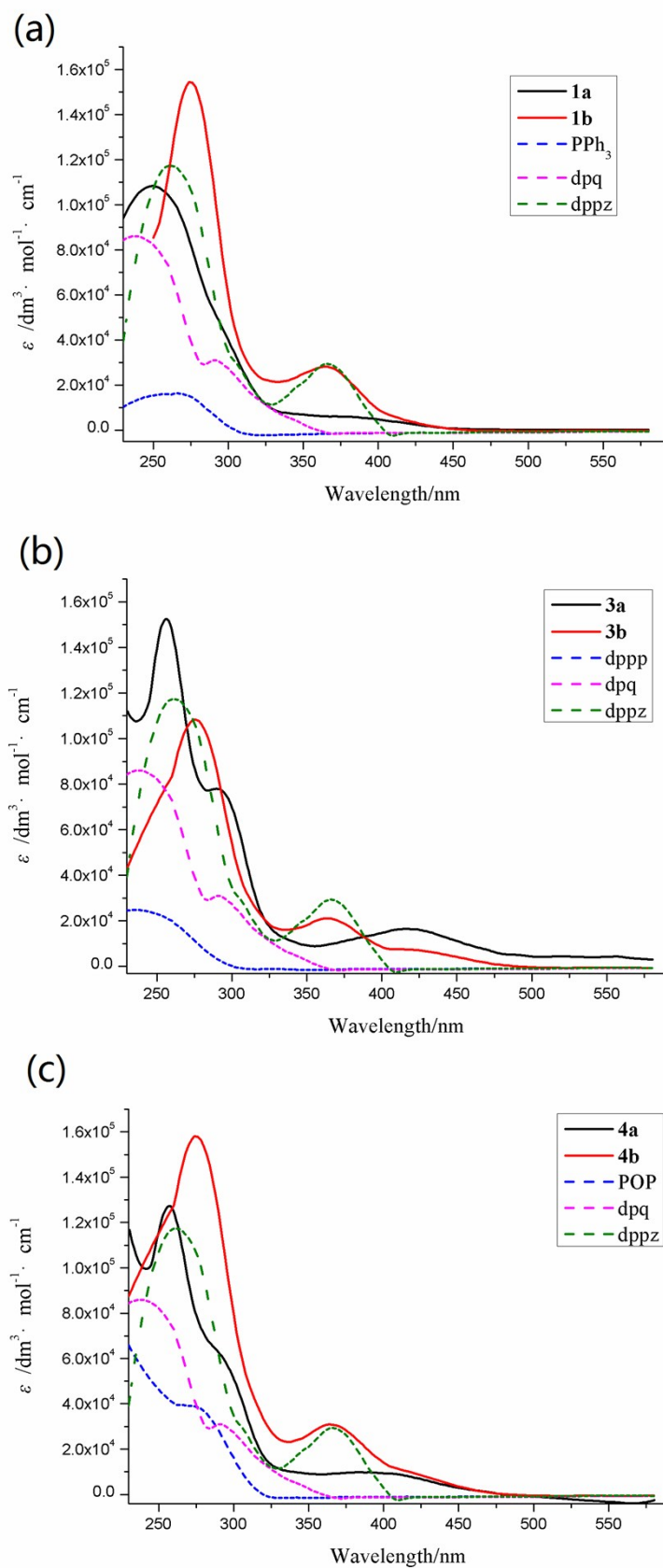


Fig. S1 (a) The overlapping UV/Vis absorption spectra of **1a**, **1b**, (b) **3a**, **3b**, (c) **4a**, **4b** in CH_2Cl_2 solution at 298 K.

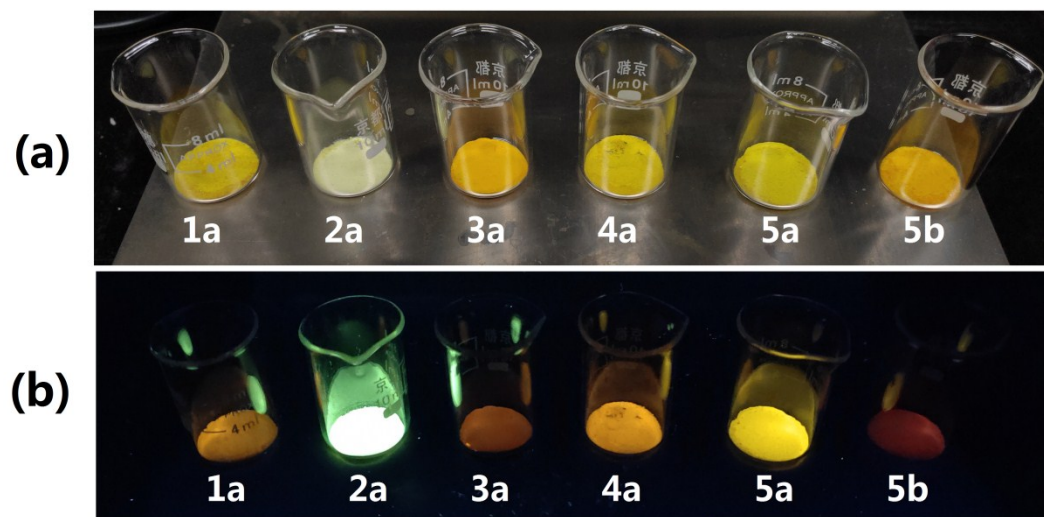


Fig. S2 Images of **1a-5a, 5b** (a) before and (b) after under 365 nm UV-light irradiation.

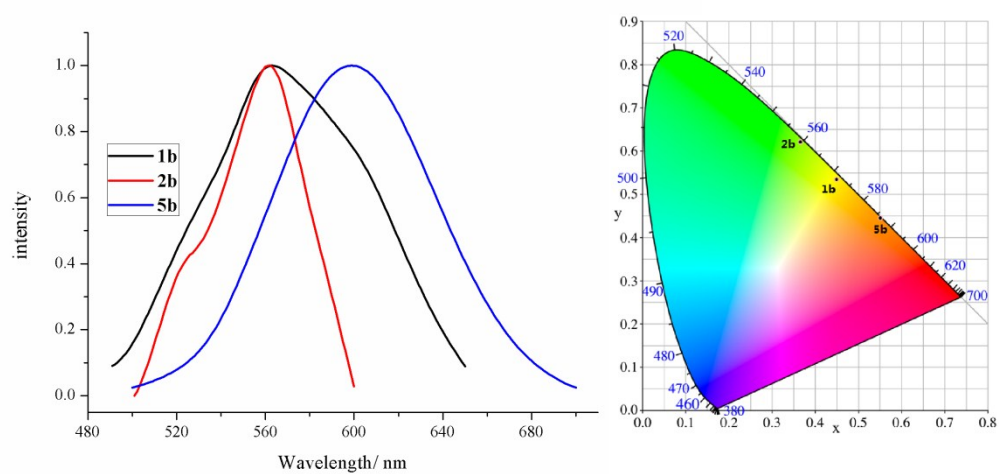


Fig. S3 Emission spectra of complexes **1b**, **2b** and **5b** in the solid states at ambient temperature.

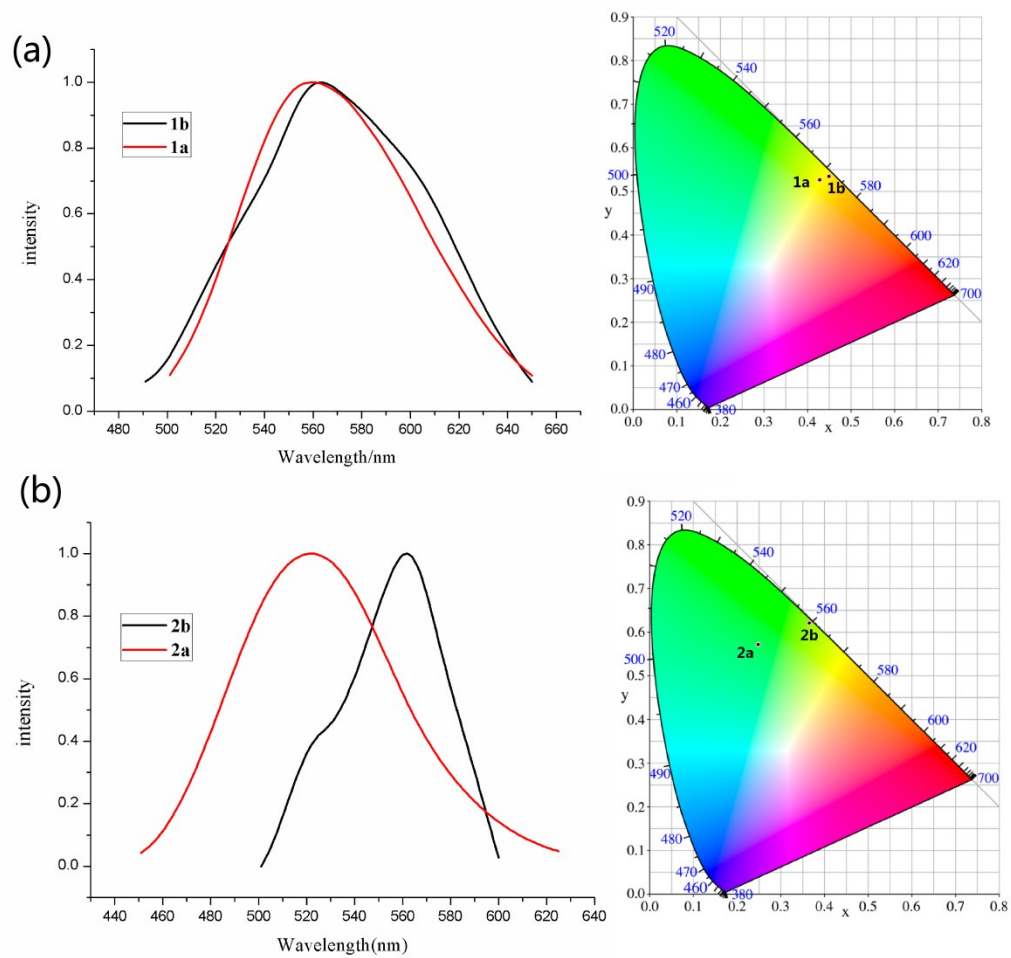


Fig. S4 Emission spectra of (a) **1a**, **1b**, (b) **2a**, **2b** in the solid states at ambient temperature.

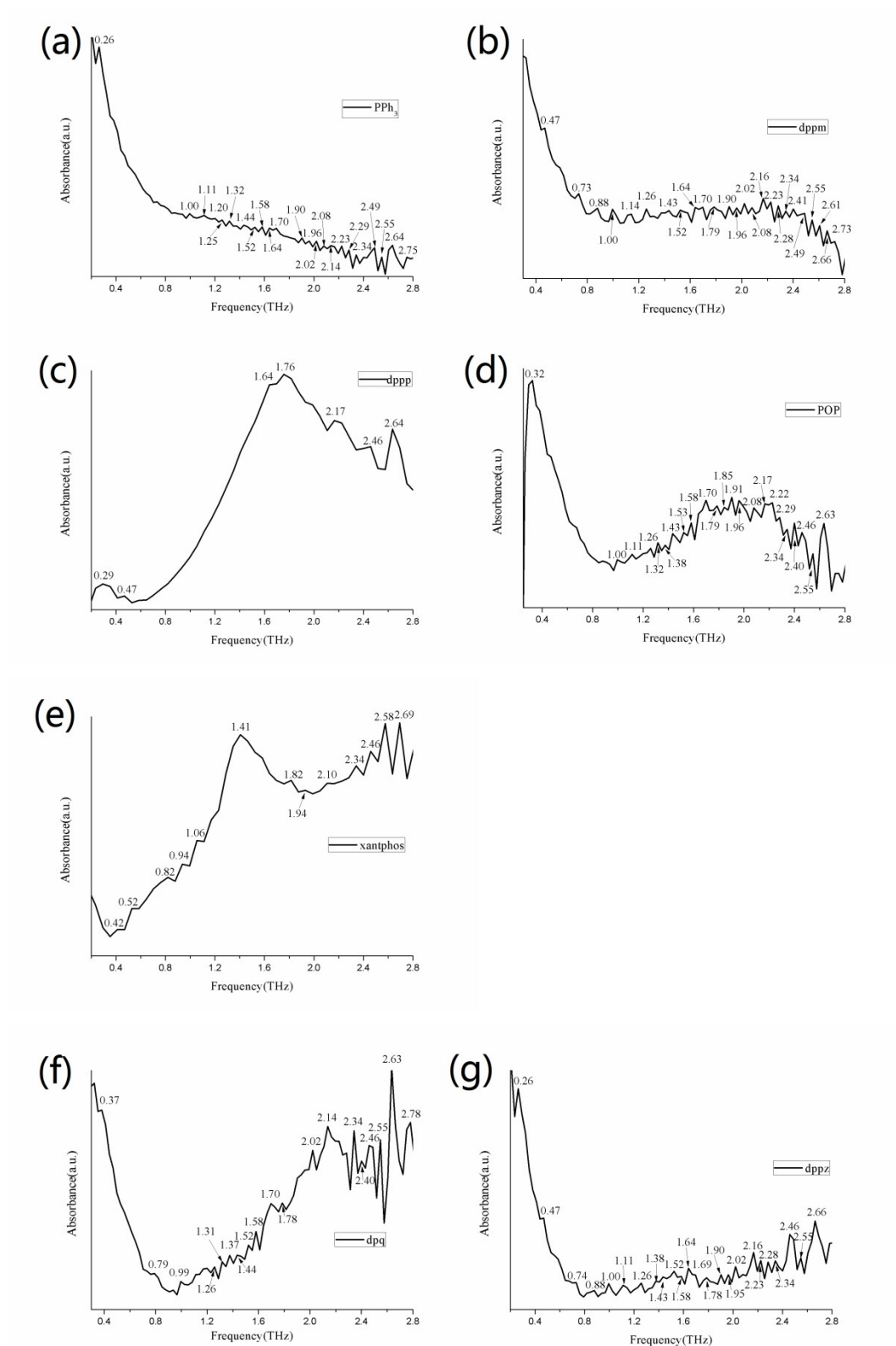


Fig. S5 THz absorption spectra of the corresponding ligands: (a) PPh_3 , (b) dppm, (c) dppp, (d) POP, (e) xantphos; (f) dpq, (g) dppz at ambient temperature.

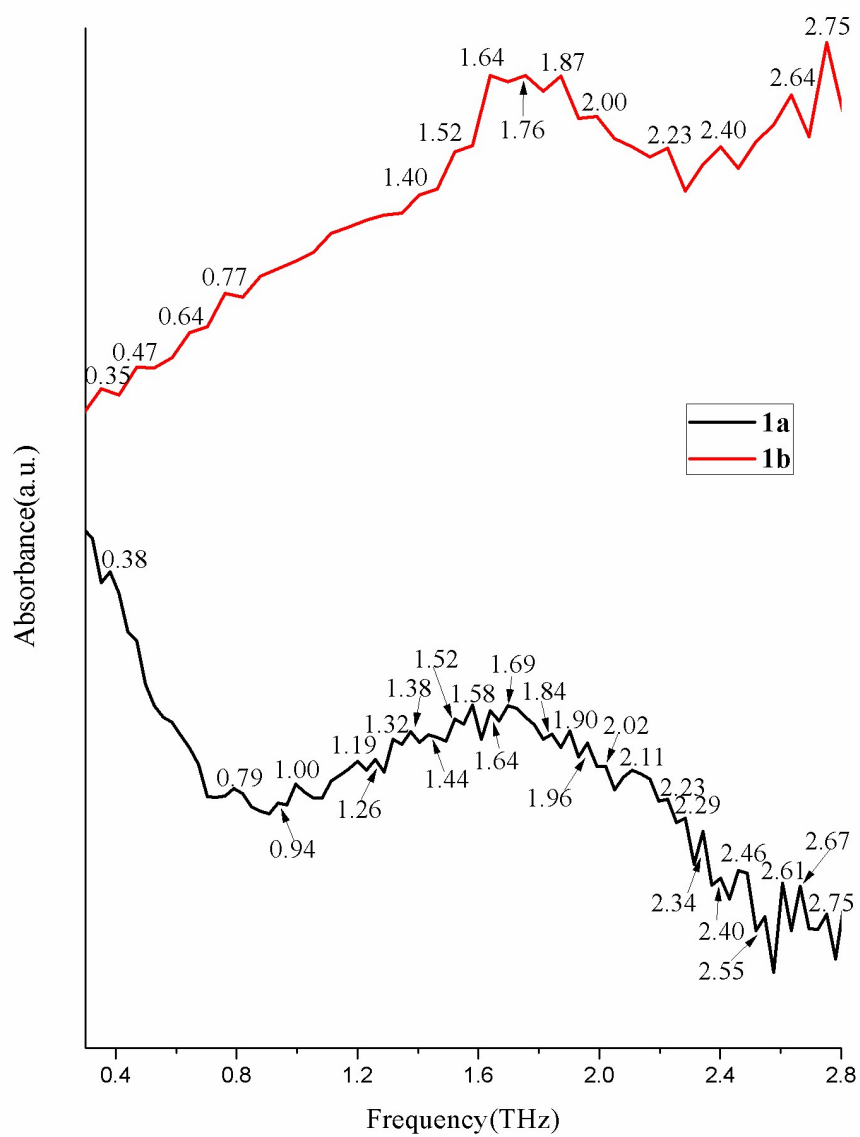


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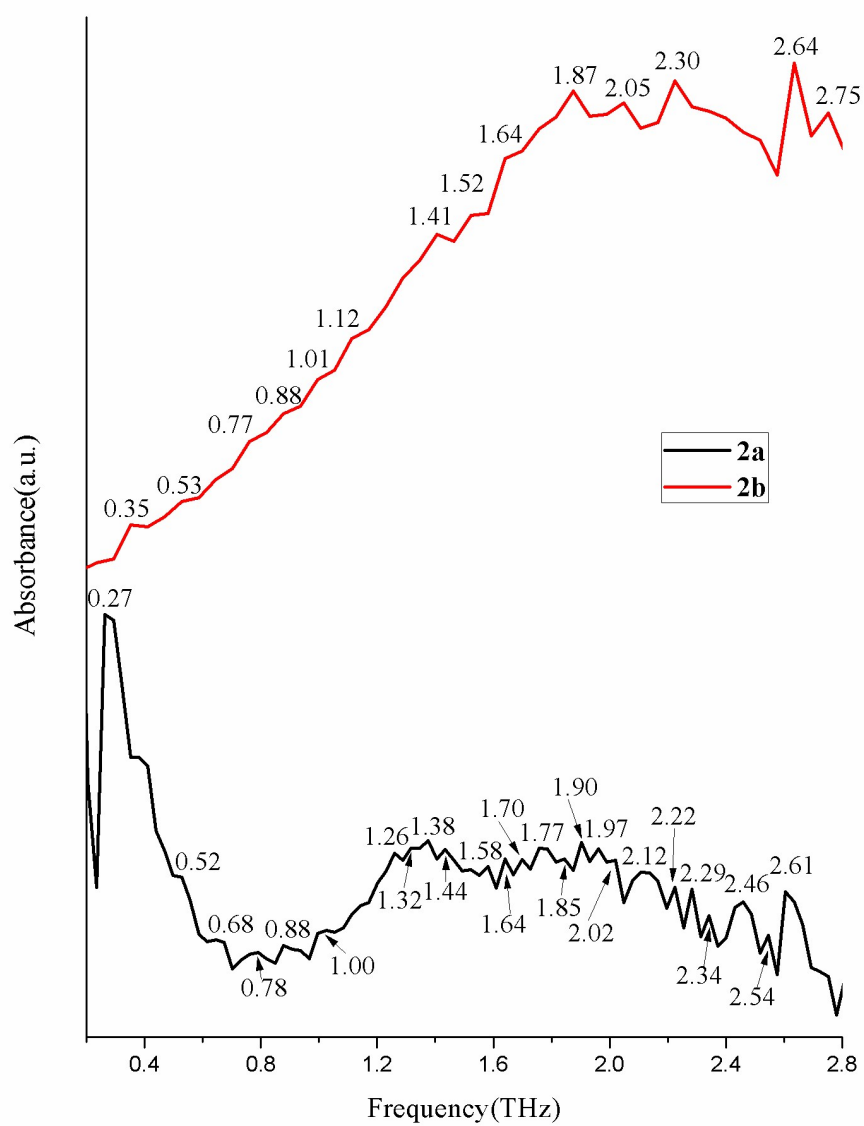


Fig. S7 THz absorption spectra of complex **2a** and **2b** at ambient temperature.

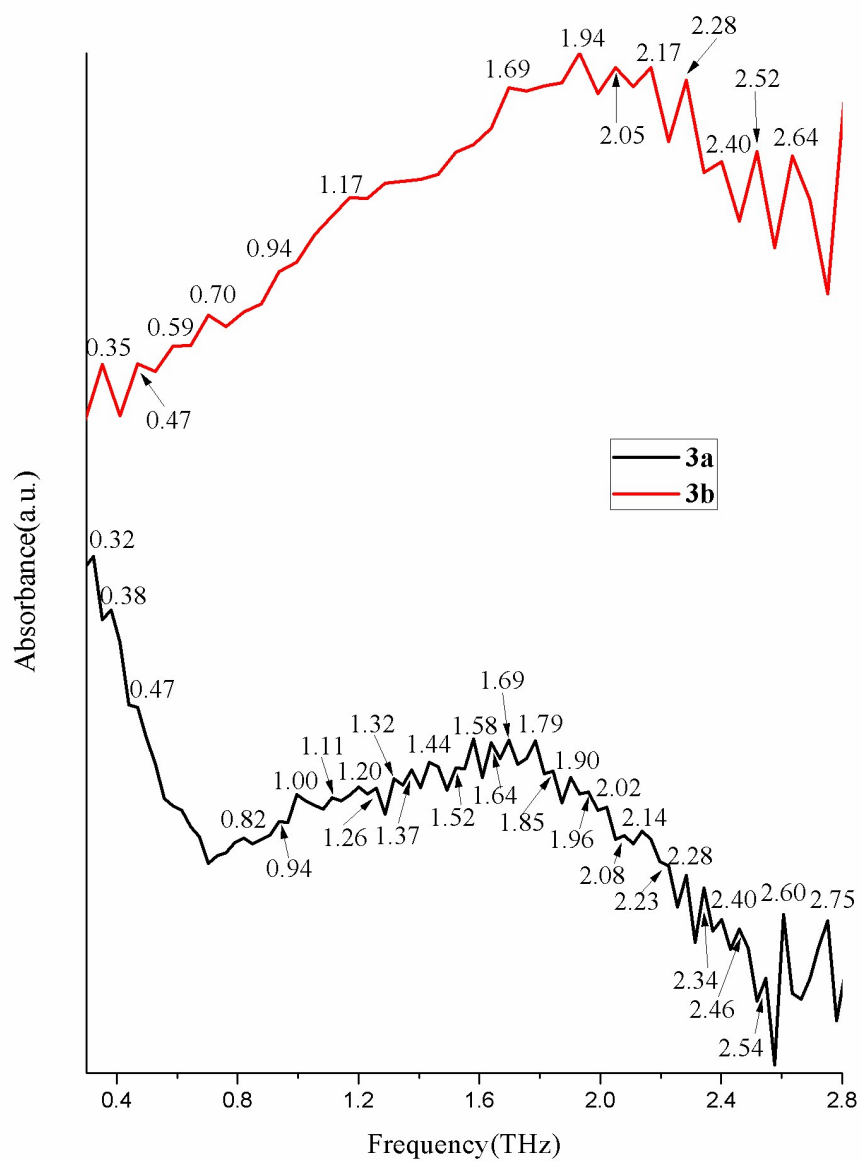


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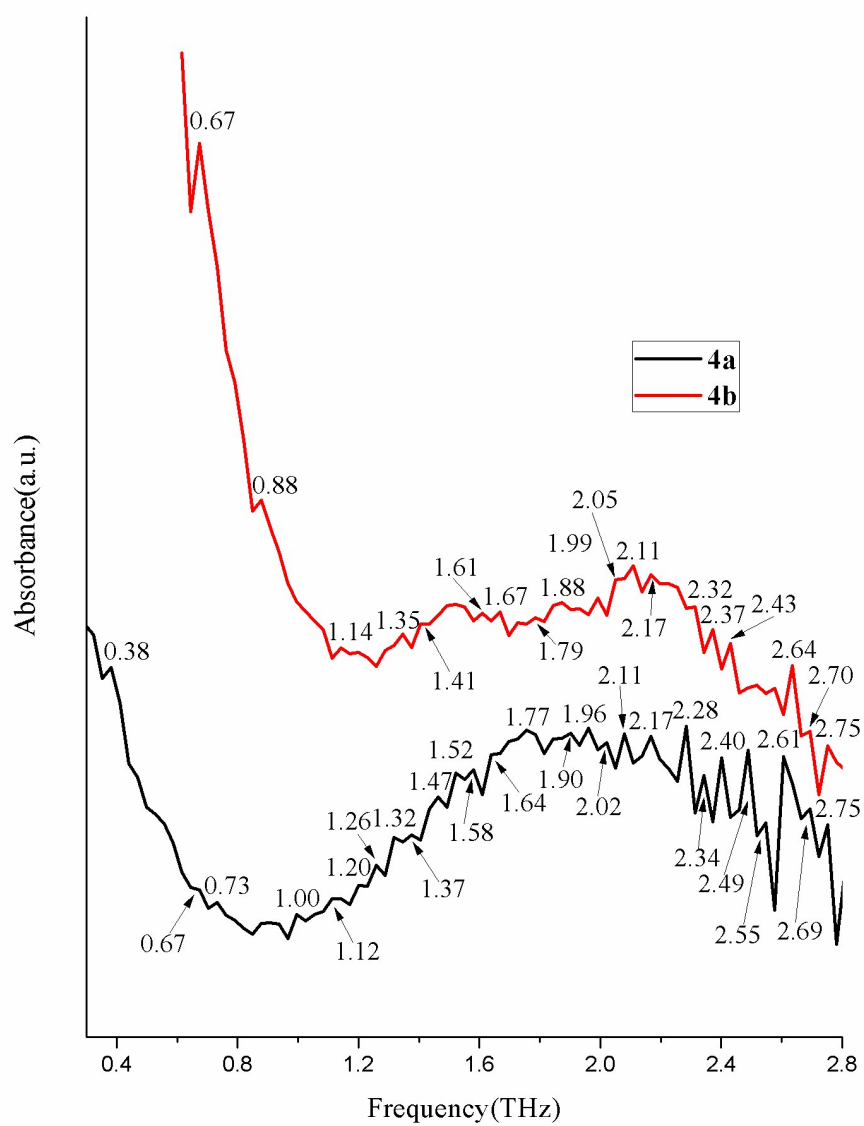


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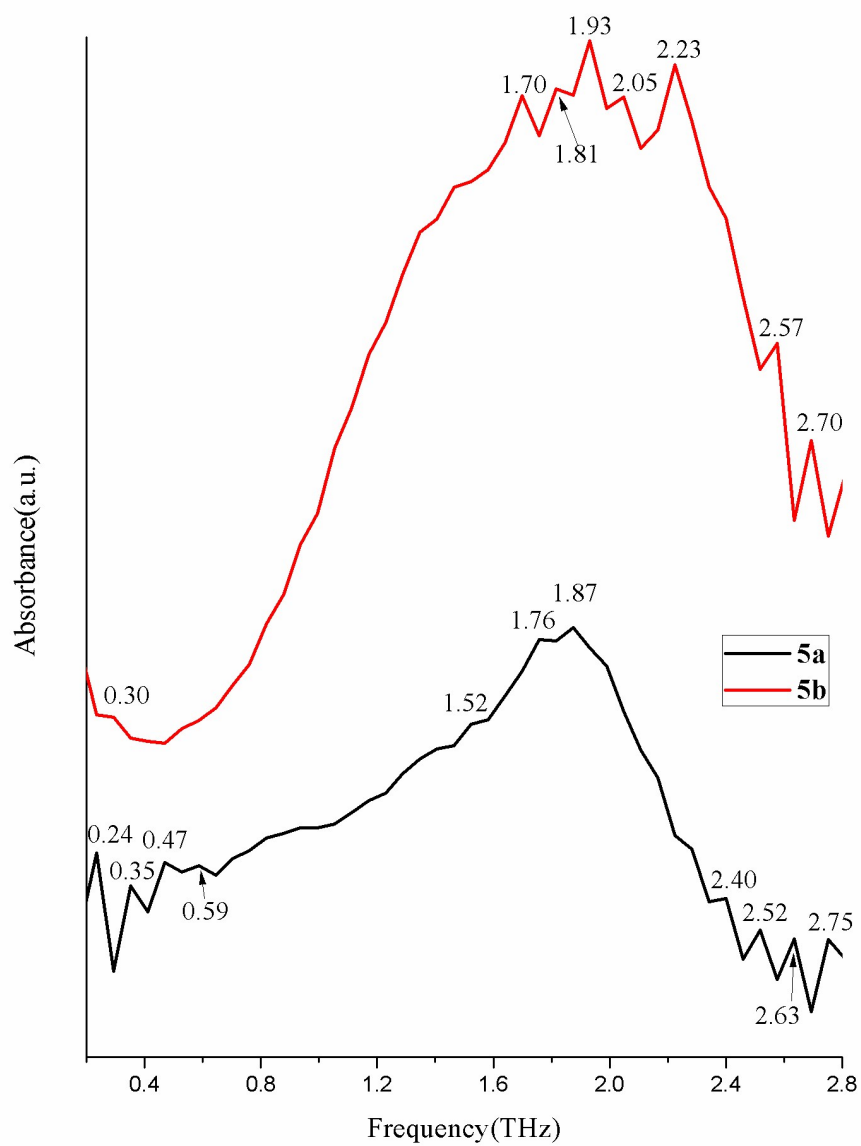


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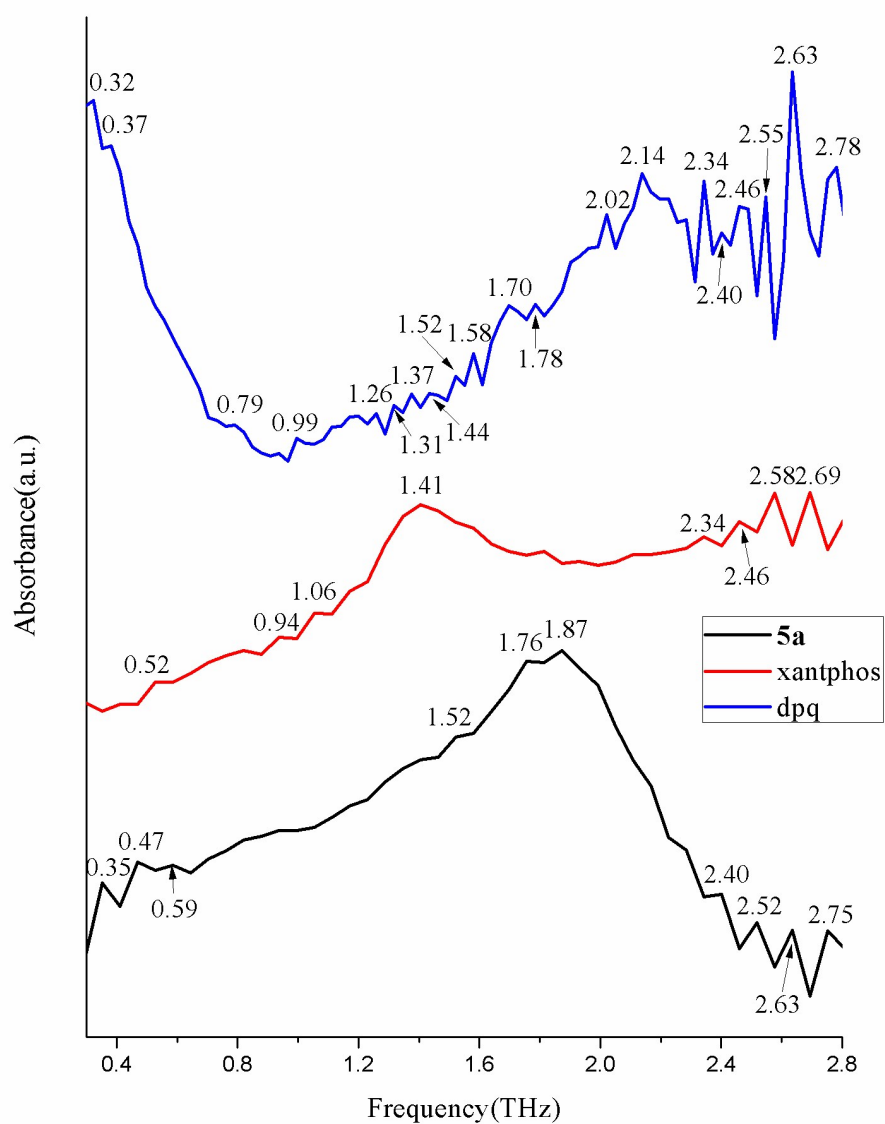


Fig. S11 THz absorption spectra of complex **5a** and the corresponding ligands at ambient temperature.

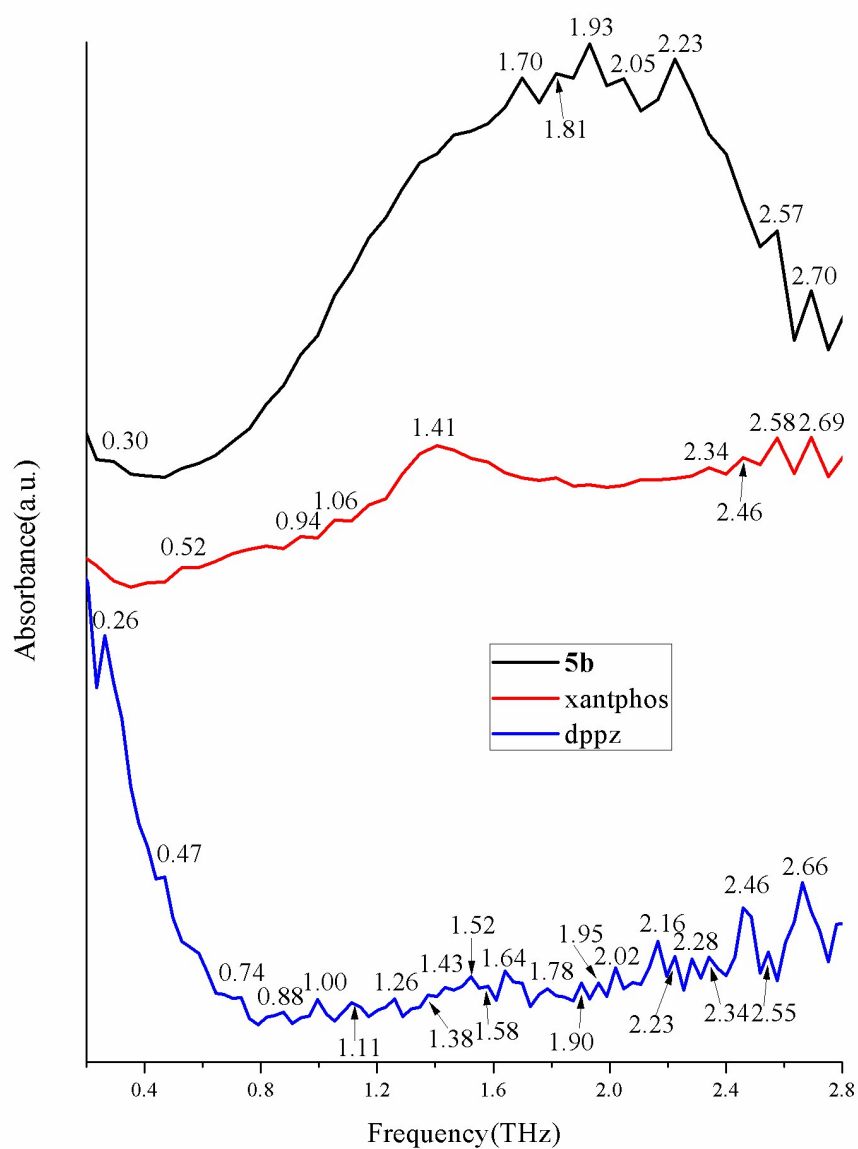


Fig. S12 THz absorption spectra of complex **5b** and the corresponding ligands at ambient temperature.

Table S1 Selected bond length (Å) and angles (°) for complexes **1a**, **b-5a**, **b**

Complex 1a			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2624(15)	P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	116.10(6)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2531(15)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	118.89(12)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.123(4)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	116.06(13)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.056(4)	N(2)-Cu(1)-N(1)	79.78(17)
		N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	108.54(12)
		N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	110.87(12)
Complex 1b			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2562(5)	P(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	127.11(2)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2709(5)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	114.96(4)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.0914(15)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	105.97(4)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.0951(15)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	80.06(6)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	111.22(4)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	107.48(4)
Complex 2a			
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.088(4)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	79.25(14)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.112(4)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	119.71(11)
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2655(13)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	106.94(10)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2269(13)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	102.44(11)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	97.22(11)
		P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	134.20(5)
Complex 2b			
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.175(12)	N(2)-Cu(1)-N(1)	77.0(5)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.121(12)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(3)	122.7(4)
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.317(4)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(3)	109.3(4)
Cu(1)-P(3)	2.263(5)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	101.4(4)
Cu(2)-N(5)	2.199(12)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	97.7(3)
Cu(2)-N(6)	2.089(13)	P(3)-Cu(1)-P(1)	131.88(16)
Cu(2)-P(2)	2.252(5)	N(6)-Cu(2)-N(5)	79.6(5)
Cu(2)-P(4)	2.304(5)	N(6)-Cu(2)-P(2)	122.0(4)
		N(5)-Cu(2)-P(2)	106.1(4)
		N(6)-Cu(2)-P(4)	102.5(4)
		N(5)-Cu(2)-P(4)	99.7(3)
		P(2)-Cu(2)-P(4)	131.43(17)
Complex 3a			
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.048(3)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	80.33(12)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.081(3)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	116.60(8)
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2497(11)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	127.26(8)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2346(10)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	116.79(8)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	113.78(9)
		P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	102.20(4)
Complex 3b			

Cu(1)-P(1)	2.239(2)	P(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	104.54(11)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.239(2)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	119.06(18)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.060(6)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	110.00(19)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.088(6)	N(2)-Cu(1)-N(1)	80.5(2)
		N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	124.2(2)
		N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	117.0(2)
Complex 4a			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2654(9)	P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	113.32(3)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2405(9)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	125.34(8)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.062(3)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	111.83(8)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.092(3)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	80.41(12)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	112.66(9)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	107.56(9)
Complex 4b			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2885(7)	P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	113.40(3)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2308(7)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	110.83(6)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.063(2)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	125.87(6)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.093(2)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	80.44(8)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	100.76(6)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	118.96(6)
Complex 5a			
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2384(11)	P(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	120.01(4)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2611(11)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	109.22(10)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.086(3)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	109.63(10)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.059(3)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	120.68(10)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	109.03(10)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-N(1)	81.10(14)
Complex 5b			
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.062(2)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	80.19(16)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.081(4)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(2)	112.92(11)
Cu(1)-P(1)	2.2793(15)	N(2)-Cu(1)-P(2)	125.87(12)
Cu(1)-P(2)	2.2217(14)	N(1)-Cu(1)-P(1)	103.92(11)
		N(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	101.12(12)
		P(2)-Cu(1)-P(1)	123.28(6)

Table S2 The excitation and emission data of the related ligands in the solid state at ambient temperature

	Ligands	Excitation (nm)	Emission (nm)
P or P ⁺ P	PPh ₃	363	423
	dppm	341	382
	dppp	356	421
	POP	322	431
	xantphos	387	445
N ⁺ N	dpq	382	419
	dppz	370	458

Table S3 Energy, oscillator strength and major contribution of the calculated transitions for complexes **2a**, **b** and **5a**, **b**

Excited state	Energy / eV (/ nm)	Oscillator strength	Major contribution (%)
2a absorption	4.9264 (251.68)	0.3125	HOMO-31→LUMO+3 (18.50)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO+2 (3.94)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO+3 (4.11)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO+5 (2.70)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO+3 (3.82)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO+4 (10.89)
			HOMO-23 → LUMO+4 (3.54)
			HOMO-4 → LUMO+12 (2.36)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO+18 (2.15)
			HOMO-1 → LUMO+20 (5.15)
			HOMO → LUMO+21 (6.13)
2a emission	2.7541 (450.18)	0.1703	HOMO-5 → LUMO+1 (8.41)
			HOMO-4 → LUMO (19.16)
			HOMO-3 → LUMO+1 (27.04)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO (35.42)
			HOMO-1 → LUMO+1 (5.43)
2b absorption	4.1981 (295.34)	0.5710	HOMO-20 → LUMO+3 (2.47)
			HOMO-18 → LUMO (2.66)
			HOMO-17 → LUMO (2.27)
			HOMO-15 → LUMO+2 (5.92)
			HOMO-13 → LUMO+1 (9.09)
			HOMO-13 → LUMO+3 (7.96)
			HOMO-12 → LUMO+1 (2.24)
			HOMO-11 → LUMO (2.15)
			HOMO-9 → LUMO (3.83)
			HOMO-9 → LUMO+2 (11.16)
			HOMO-8 → LUMO+1 (2.82)
			HOMO-8 → LUMO+3 (5.28)
			HOMO-6 → LUMO+4 (2.20)
			HOMO-5 → LUMO+5 (11.80)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO+6 (5.72)
			HOMO-1 → LUMO+7 (3.21)
2b absorption	3.6112 (343.33)	0.0740	HOMO-9 → LUMO (18.79)
			HOMO-8 → LUMO+1 (18.77)
			HOMO-7 → LUMO+3 (2.68)
			HOMO-6 → LUMO+2 (4.90)
			HOMO-6 → LUMO+4 (12.38)
			HOMO-5 → LUMO+3 (2.87)
			HOMO-5 → LUMO+5 (17.95)

			HOMO-4 → LUMO+4 (10.62)
			HOMO-3 → LUMO+5 (2.07)
			HOMO → LUMO+4 (2.95)
2b	2.5973	0.1017	HOMO-4 → LUMO (13.87)
emission	(477.35)		HOMO-3 → LUMO (24.18)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO (16.43)
			HOMO-1 → LUMO (32.37)
			HOMO → LUMO+2 (3.37)
5a	4.8713	0.3510	HOMO-19 → LUMO (23.96)
absorption	(254.52)		HOMO-19 → LUMO+1 (4.57)
			HOMO-19 → LUMO+2 (6.69)
			HOMO-18 → LUMO (3.53)
			HOMO-18 → LUMO+2 (30.73)
			HOMO-1 → LUMO+11 (2.09)
			HOMO → LUMO+8 (2.12)
			HOMO → LUMO+14 (2.56)
5a	2.5011	0.0858	HOMO-4 → LUMO (2.56)
emission	(495.72)		HOMO-2 → LUMO (88.80)
			HOMO → LUMO (2.61)
5b	4.3565	0.5869	HOMO-16 → LUMO+1 (9.13)
absorption	(284.60)		HOMO-15 → LUMO (7.71)
			HOMO-12 → LUMO (5.67)
			HOMO-10 → LUMO+2 (5.71)
			HOMO-8 → LUMO+2 (3.92)
			HOMO-4 → LUMO+2 (33.98)
			HOMO-1 → LUMO+5 (12.51)
			HOMO → LUMO+9 (5.03)
5b	3.6451	0.0765	HOMO-15 → LUMO (5.26)
absorption	(340.14)		HOMO-13 → LUMO (3.92)
			HOMO-12 → LUMO (32.81)
			HOMO-10 → LUMO (20.80)
			HOMO-8 → LUMO (5.17)
			HOMO-4 → LUMO+2 (27.06)
5b	2.8059	0.0514	HOMO-4 → LUMO (13.42)
emission	(441.87)		HOMO-4 → LUMO+1 (7.14)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO (6.63)
			HOMO-2 → LUMO+1 (64.83)
			HOMO → LUMO+1 (2.69)
5b	2.4397	0.0302	HOMO-2 → LUMO (88.88)
emission	(508.20)		HOMO-2 → LUMO+1 (7.77)

Table S4 THz spectral data for ligands at ambient temperature

Ligands	Terahertz spectra peaks (THz)											
PPh ₃	0.26	1.00	1.11	1.20	1.25	1.32	1.44	1.52	1.58	1.64	1.70	1.90
	1.96	2.02	2.08	2.14	2.23	2.29	2.34	2.49	2.55	2.64	2.75	
dppm	0.47	0.73	0.88	1.00	1.14	1.26	1.43	1.52	1.64	1.70	1.79	1.90
	1.96	2.02	2.08	2.16	2.23	2.28	2.34	2.41	2.49	2.55	2.61	2.66
	2.73											
dppp	0.29	0.47	1.64	1.76	2.17	2.46	2.64					
POP	0.32	1.00	1.11	1.26	1.32	1.38	1.43	1.53	1.58	1.70	1.79	1.85
	1.91	1.96	2.08	2.17	2.22	2.29	2.34	2.40	2.46	2.55	2.63	
xantphos	0.42	0.52	0.82	0.94	1.06	1.41	1.82	1.94	2.10	2.34	2.46	2.58
	2.69											
dpq	0.37	0.79	0.99	1.26	1.31	1.37	1.44	1.52	1.58	1.70	1.78	2.02
	2.14	2.34	2.40	2.46	2.55	2.63	2.78					
dppz	0.26	0.47	0.74	0.88	1.00	1.11	1.26	1.38	1.43	1.52	1.58	1.64
	1.69	1.78	1.90	1.95	2.02	2.16	2.23	2.28	2.34	2.46	2.55	2.66

Table S5 THz spectral data for complexes **1a**, **b-5a**, **b** at ambient temperature

Complexes	Terahertz spectra peaks (THz)											
1a	0.38	0.79	0.94	1.00	1.19	1.26	1.32	1.38	1.44	1.52	1.58	1.64
	1.69	1.84	1.90	1.96	2.02	2.11	2.23	2.29	2.34	2.40	2.46	2.55
	2.61	2.67	2.75									
1b	0.35	0.47	0.64	0.77	1.40	1.52	1.64	1.76	1.87	2.00	2.23	2.40
	2.64	2.75										
2a	0.27	0.39	0.52	0.68	0.78	0.88	1.00	1.26	1.32	1.38	1.44	1.58
	1.64	1.70	1.77	1.85	1.90	1.97	2.02	2.12	2.22	2.29	2.34	2.46
	2.54	2.61										
2b	0.35	0.53	0.77	0.88	1.01	1.12	1.41	1.52	1.64	1.87	2.05	2.30
	2.64	2.75										
3a	0.32	0.38	0.47	0.82	0.94	1.00	1.11	1.20	1.26	1.32	1.37	1.44
	1.52	1.58	1.64	1.69	1.79	1.85	1.90	1.96	2.02	2.08	2.14	2.23
	2.28	2.34	2.40	2.46	2.54	2.60	2.75					
3b	0.24	0.35	0.47	0.59	0.70	0.94	1.17	1.69	1.94	2.05	2.17	2.28
	2.40	2.52	2.64									
4a	0.38	0.67	0.73	1.00	1.12	1.20	1.26	1.32	1.37	1.47	1.52	1.58
	1.64	1.77	1.90	1.96	2.02	2.11	2.17	2.28	2.34	2.40	2.49	2.55
	2.61	2.69	2.75									
4b	0.67	0.88	1.14	1.35	1.41	1.61	1.67	1.79	1.88	1.99	2.05	2.11
	2.17	2.32	2.37	2.43	2.51	2.58	2.64	2.70	2.75			
5a	0.24	0.35	0.47	0.59	1.52	1.76	1.87	2.40	2.52	2.63	2.75	
5b	0.30	1.70	1.81	1.93	2.05	2.23	2.57	2.70				