

Supporting Information (SI)

Rapid room temperature synthesis of red iridium(III) complexes with Ir-S-P-S structures for efficient OLEDs

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Materials and Measurements.

All reagents and chemicals were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification. ¹H NMR and ¹⁹F NMR were measured on a Bruker AM 400 spectrometer. High-resolution electrospray mass spectra (HRMS) was measured on G6500 from Agilent for complexes. TGA measurements were carried out on a DSC 823e analyzer (METTLER). Absorption and photoluminescence spectra were measured on a UV-3100 spectrophotometer and a Hitachi F-4600 photoluminescence spectrophotometer, respectively. The decay lifetimes were measured with an Edinburgh Instruments FLS-980 fluorescence spectrometer in degassed CH₂Cl₂ solution at room temperature. The luminescence quantum efficiencies were calculated by comparison of the emission intensities (integrated areas) of a standard sample (*fac*-Ir(ppy)₃) and the unknown sample.

X-ray Crystallography.

The single crystals of complexes were carried out on a Bruker SMART CCD diffractometer using monochromated Mo K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$) at room temperature. Cell parameters were retrieved using SMART software and refined using SAINT¹ on all observed reflections. Data were collected using a narrow-frame method with scan widths of 0.30° in ω and an exposure time of 10 s/frame. The highly redundant data sets were reduced using

SAINT and corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects. Absorption corrections were applied using SADABS² supplied by Bruker. The structures were solved by direct methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F^2 using the program SHELXS-97.³ The positions of metal atoms and their first coordination spheres were located from direct-methods E-maps; other non-hydrogen atoms were found in alternating difference Fourier syntheses and least-squares refinement cycles and, during the final cycles, refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated position and refined as riding atoms with a uniform value of U_{iso} .

Details of cyclic voltammetry measurements.

Cyclic voltammetry measurements were conducted on a MPI-A multifunctional electrochemical and chemiluminescent system (Xi'an Remex Analytical Instrument Ltd. Co., China) at room temperature, with a polished Pt plate as the working electrode, platinum thread as the counter electrode and Ag-AgNO₃ (0.1 M) in CH₂Cl₂ as the reference electrode, *tetra*-n-butylammonium perchlorate (0.1 M) was used as the supporting electrolyte, using Fc⁺/Fc as the internal standard, the scan rate was 0.1 V s⁻¹.

OLEDs fabrication and measurement.

All OLEDs were fabricated on the pre-patterned ITO-coated glass substrate with a sheet resistance of 15 Ω sq⁻¹. The deposition rate for organic compounds is 1-2 \AA s⁻¹. The phosphor and the host 2,6DCzPPy was co-evaporated to form emitting layer from two separate sources. The cathode consisting of LiF/ Al was deposited by evaporation of LiF with a deposition rate of 0.1 \AA s⁻¹ and then by evaporation of Al metal with a rate of 3 \AA s⁻¹. The characteristic curves of the devices were measured with a computer which controlled KEITHLEY 2400 source meter with a calibrated silicon diode in air without device encapsulation. On the basis of the uncorrected PL and EL spectra, the Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage (CIE) coordinates were calculated using a test program of the Spectra scan PR650 spectrophotometer.

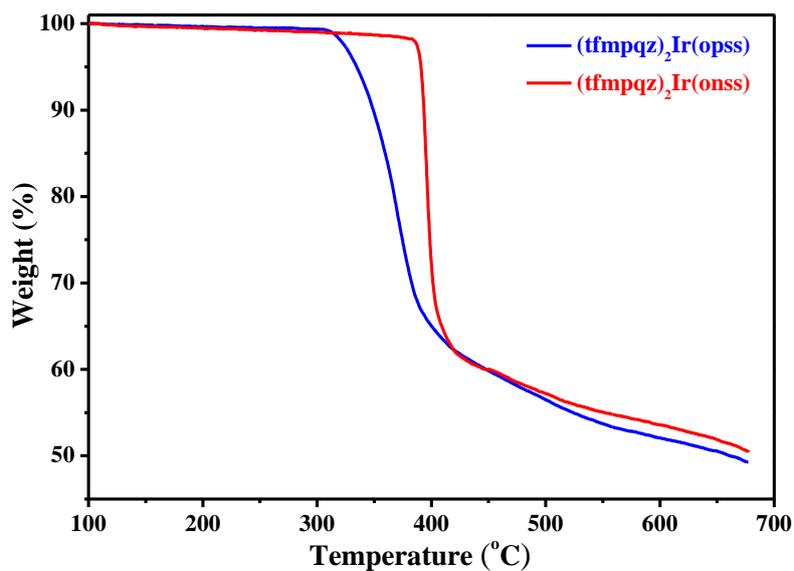


Fig. S1 TGA curves of (tfmpqz)₂Ir(opss) and (tfmpqz)₂Ir(onss) complexes.

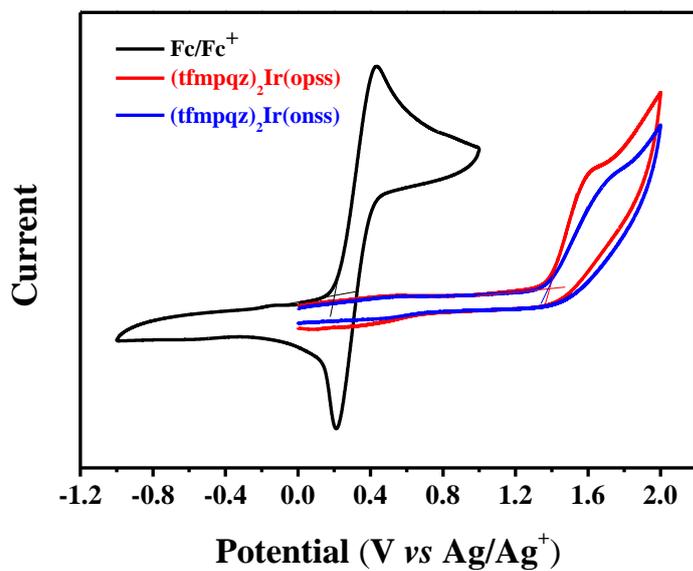


Fig. S2 CV curves of (tfmpqz)₂Ir(opss) and (tfmpqz)₂Ir(onss) complexes.

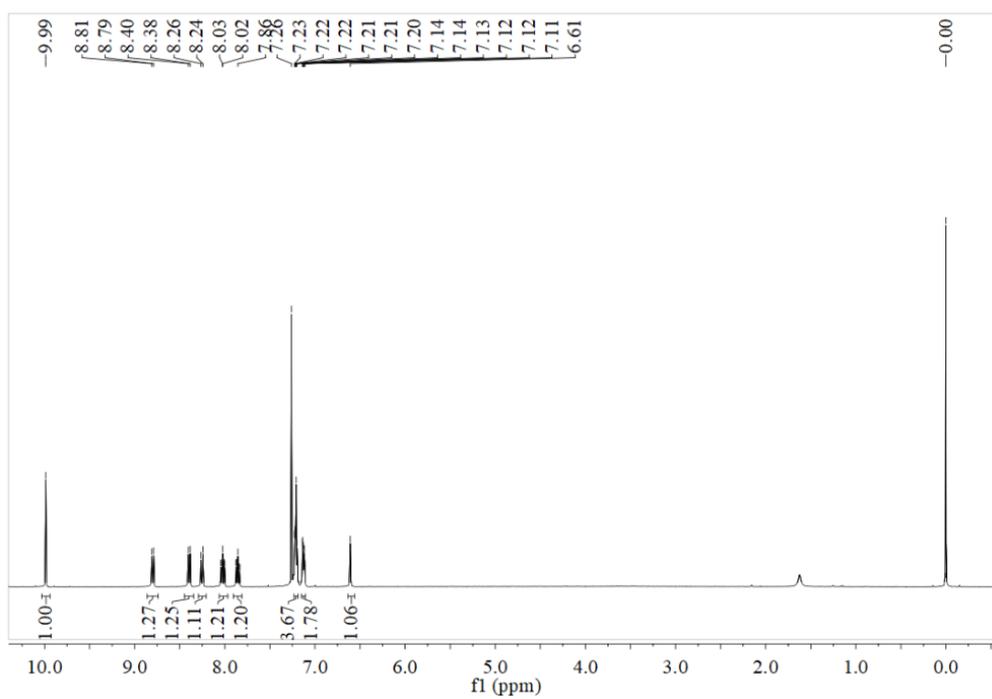


Fig. S3 ^1H NMR of $(\text{tfmpqz})_2\text{Ir}(\text{opss})$ complex.

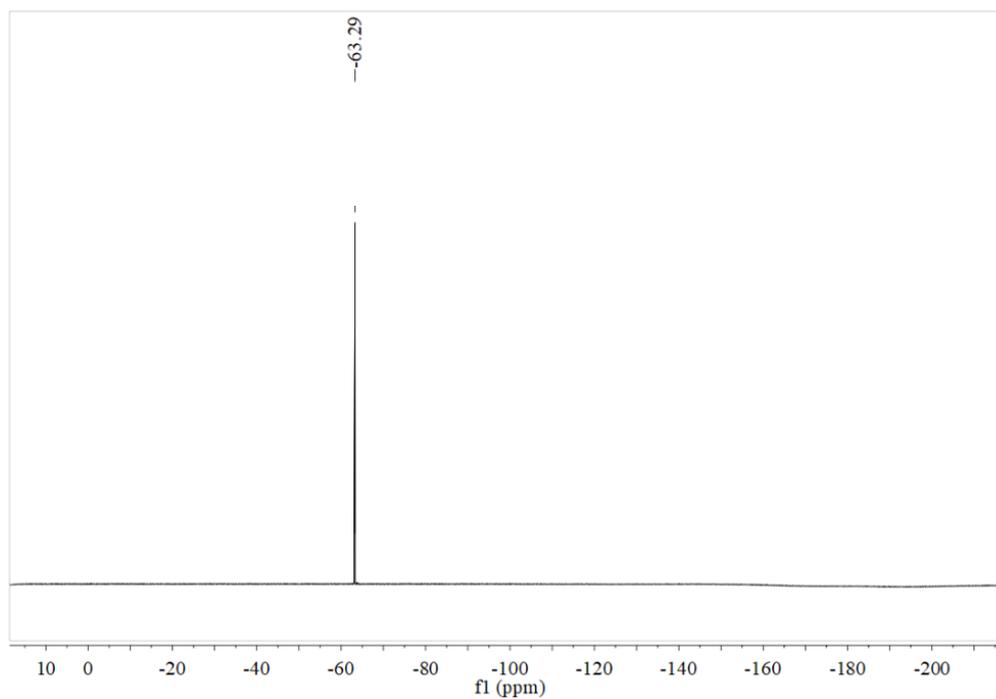


Fig. S4 ^{19}F NMR of $(\text{tfmpqz})_2\text{Ir}(\text{opss})$ complex.

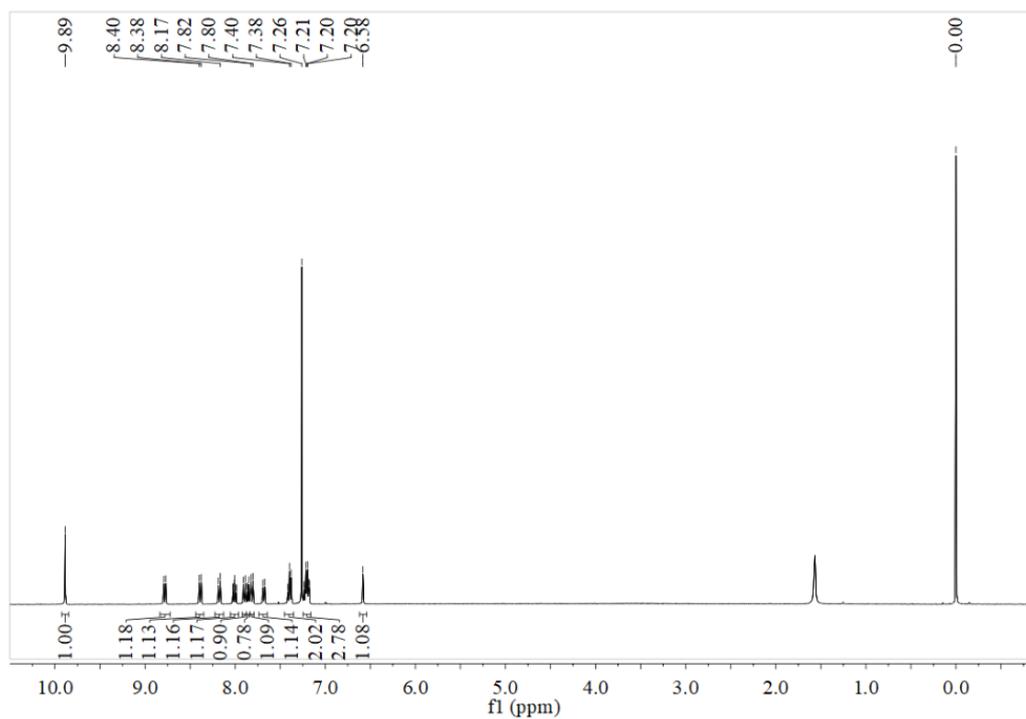


Fig. S5 ^1H NMR of $(\text{tfmpqz})_2\text{Ir}(\text{onss})$ complex.

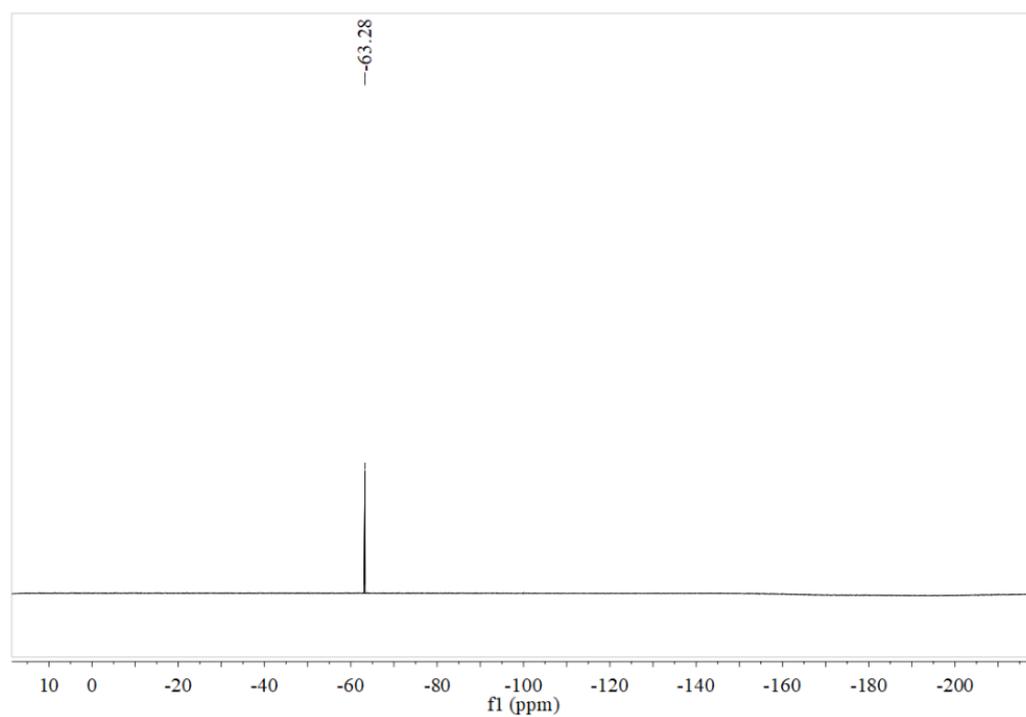


Fig. S6 ^{19}F NMR of $(\text{tfmpqz})_2\text{Ir}(\text{onss})$ complex.

Table S1. Crystal information of (tfmpqz)₂Ir(onss) complex.

(tfmpqz) ₂ Ir(onss)	
Formula	C ₅₀ H ₃₀ F ₆ IrN ₄ O ₂ PS ₂
Formula weight	1120.07
T (K)	193(2)
Wavelength (Å)	1.34139
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 21/n
<i>a</i> (Å)	21.161(3)
<i>b</i> (Å)	8.4097(10)
<i>c</i> (Å)	26.306(3)
α (deg)	90
β (deg)	110.612(4)
γ (deg)	90
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	4381.7(9)
<i>Z</i>	4
ρ_{calcd} (g/cm ³)	1.698
μ (Mo K α) (mm ⁻¹)	5.131
<i>F</i> (000)	2208
Range of transm factors (deg)	2.888-53.496
Reflns collected	7883
Unique(<i>R</i> _{int})	7883(0.1412)
<i>R</i> ₁ ^a , <i>wR</i> ₂ ^b [<i>I</i> > 2 <i>s</i> (<i>I</i>)]	0.0698, 0.1929
<i>R</i> ₁ ^a , <i>wR</i> ₂ ^b (all data)	0.0908, 0.2095
GOF on <i>F</i> ²	1.116
CCDC No.	1887635

$$R_1^a = \frac{\sum ||F_o| - |F_c||}{\sum |F_o|}, \quad wR_2^b = \frac{[\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / \sum w(F_o^2)]^{1/2}}{\sum w(F_o^2)^{1/2}}$$

Table S2. Selected bond lengths of (tfmpqz)₂Ir(onss) complex (Å).

C6-Ir1	2.012 (7)	P1-S1	1.975 (3)
C19-Ir1	1.991 (8)	P1-S2	1.975 (3)
Ir1-N3	2.052 (7)	C6-Ir1-N1	79.8 (3)
Ir1-N1	2.062 (7)	C19-Ir1-N3	79.9 (3)
Ir1-S2	2.515 (2)	S2-Ir1-S1	80.37 (7)
Ir1-S1	2.528 (2)	S1-P1-S2	110.95 (15)
O1-P1	1.574 (7)	C41-O1-P1	132.1 (6)
O2-P1	1.594 (6)	C31-O2-P1	126.8 (6)

Table S3. Electrochemical data of two complexes.

Complex	E_{ox} (V) ^a	E (Fc/Fc ⁺)	$E_{\text{g}}^{\text{opt}}$ (eV) ^b	E_{HOMO} (eV) ^c	E_{LUMO} (eV) ^d
(tfmpqz) ₂ Ir(opss)	1.38	0.20	2.06	-5.98	-3.92
(tfmpqz) ₂ Ir(onss)	1.37	0.20	2.06	-5.97	-3.91

^a Oxidation potentials measured by cyclic voltammetry. ^b Calculated from the absorption band edge of the solution, $E_{\text{g}}^{\text{opt}} = 1240/\lambda_{\text{edge}}$. ^c Calculated from empirical equation: $E_{\text{HOMO}} = -[E_{\text{ox}} - E(\text{Fc}/\text{Fc}^+) + 4.8]$ eV. ^d Calculated from $E_{\text{LUMO}} = E_{\text{g}}^{\text{opt}} + E_{\text{HOMO}}$.

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