

**Fig. S1.** Dependence of the absorption at 420 nm of a  $Cs[CB_{11}H_{12}]$  methanolic solution upon laser power. The solid line corresponds to the best fit obtained with a 2nd-order polynomial function.

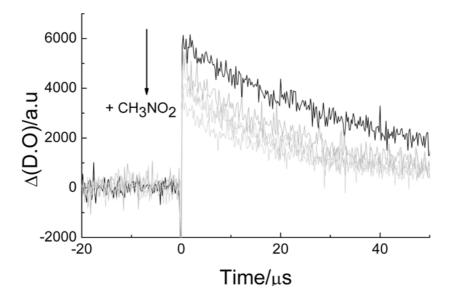
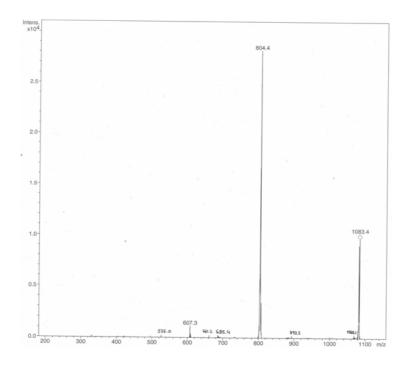
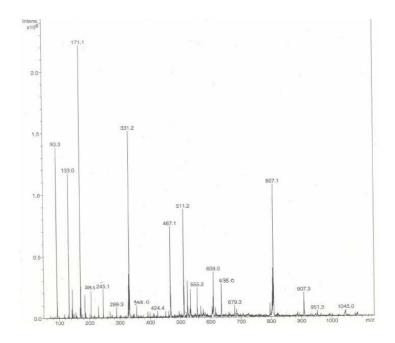


Table			
$[CH_3NO_2]$	τ(μs)	τ0/τ	
0	38	1	
3.50E-04	24.11	1.576	
6.99E-04	19.26	1.973	
1.39E-03	18.97	2.003	
2.09E-03	17.95	2.117	

**Fig. S2.** Quenching of  $Cs[CB_{11}H_{12}]$  with nitromethane. The Figure shows the temporal profiles of the absorption at 420 nm of a  $Cs[CB_{11}H_{12}]$  before (black curve) and after adding increasing amounts of  $CN3NO_2$ . The values obtained for the fitting of the curves to first-order exponential decays are shown in the Table.





**Fig. S3.** ESI-MS of a coloured equimolar mixture of  $Cs[CB_{11}H_{12}]$  and  $MV(PF_6)_2$  in acetonitrile.