

Supplementary Information

Highly efficient and switchable electron-transfer system realised by peptide-assisted J-type assembly of porphyrin

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1. Materials and General

5-(4-Methoxycarbonylphenyl)-10,15,20-triphenyl-21H,23H-porphine and fullerene (C_{60}) were purchased from Tokyo Chemical Industry. Reagent grade solvents and Measurement grade solvent were purchased from Nacalai tesque. N^l,N^s -didodecyl-L-glutamide¹ and zinc porphyrin-derivatives (**gTP**)² and pyridine-substituted pyrroridinofullerene (**pyC₆₀**)³ were synthesised by the previously reported procedure with slight modification. UV-visible, CD and fluorescence spectra were measured with V-560 (JASCO), J725 (JASCO) and FP-6500 (JASCO), respectively. TEM images were observed with JEM-2000X (JEOL). The solution was cast in a carbon-coated copper grid and dried by a vacuum pump under reduced pressure. The accelerating voltage of the TEM was 80 kV and the beam current was 40 A.

Zinc porphyrin lipid (gTP): Yield: 72%; mp 230.5-232.5 °C; Found: C, 74.56; H, 7.28; N, 8.21. $C_{74}H_{85}N_7O_3Zn$ requires C, 74.95; H, 7.22; N, 8.27%; $\nu_{max}(KBr)/cm^{-1}$ 3395, 3310, 2925, 2852, 1647 and 1523. δ_H (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$; Me_4Si) 0.79-0.86 (6H, t, CH_3), 1.16-1.25 (40H, br, $(CH_2)_{10}$), 1.54 (2H, br, CH_2CO), 1.75-1.91 (2H, br, CH_2), 2.67-2.81 (4H, m, $NHCH_2$), 3.46 (1H, q, C^*H), 5.56 (1H, br, NH), 6.28 (1H, br, NH), 7.45-7.51 (1H, br, NH), 7.74-7.76 (9H, m, ArH), 8.13-8.22 (10H, m, ArH) and 8.80-8.94 (8H, m, ArH); MALDI TOF MS (2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid): calcd for $C_{74}H_{85}N_7O_3Zn$ 1183.60, m/z = 1184.45 ($[M+H]^+$).

Pyridine-substituted pyrrolidinofullerene (*pyC₆₀*): Fullerene C₆₀ (300 mg, 0.42 mmol) was dissolved in 30 mL of 1,2-dichlorobenzene and stirred in N₂ for 1 hr. A solution of 1.2 equivalents (0.51 mmol) of the 1 : 1 mixture of 4-picollylamine and benzaldehyde in 5 mL of 1,2-dichlorobenzene was added in one portion to the fullerene solution, and the resulting reagent mixture was heated at reflux under N₂ for 2 hr. The course of the reaction was monitored by TLC (toluene/ethanol = 9:1, R_f = 0.34). At the end of the synthesis, heating source was removed and the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. The solution was poured onto the top of a silica gel column (75–150 µm). Unreacted fullerene was washed out from the column by toluene; elution with toluene/ethanol (9 : 1) mixture resulted in solution of mono-addition products. The solution was concentrated in vacuo and then *n*-hexane was added to precipitate the product. Pyridine-substituted pyrrolidinofullerene (*pyC₆₀*) was obtained *pyC₆₀* (173 mg, 45%) as a dark-brown powder by filtrated (Found: C, 93.86; H, 2.28; N, 3.03. C₉₅H₁₂N₂ requires C, 95.62; H, 1.32; N, 3.06%); δ_H (400 MHz, CDCl₃; Me₄Si) 3.25 (1H, s, -NH-), 5.97-6.02 (2H, dd, *J* = 2.8, 11.2 Hz, pyrrolidine-*H*), 7.34-8.66 (7H, m, pyridine-*H*, phenyl-*H*) and 8.71-8.73 (2H, m, pyridine-*H*).

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2. Sample Preparation for Measurements

The measurement samples were prepared by following method. (1) Donor compounds was dissolved in cyclohexane (2×10^{-5} M) at 80 °C and allowed to stand 20 °C for 30 min. (2) Acceptor compounds was dissolved in toluene (1×10^{-3} M) at 25 °C. (3) Acceptor solution was injected into donor solution and the concentrations were adjusted between 0 and 1×10^{-4} M (0 and 5 equiv.). (4) The mixed solution was kept at 20 °C in a minute and measured UV-visible, CD and Fluorescence spectroscopy.

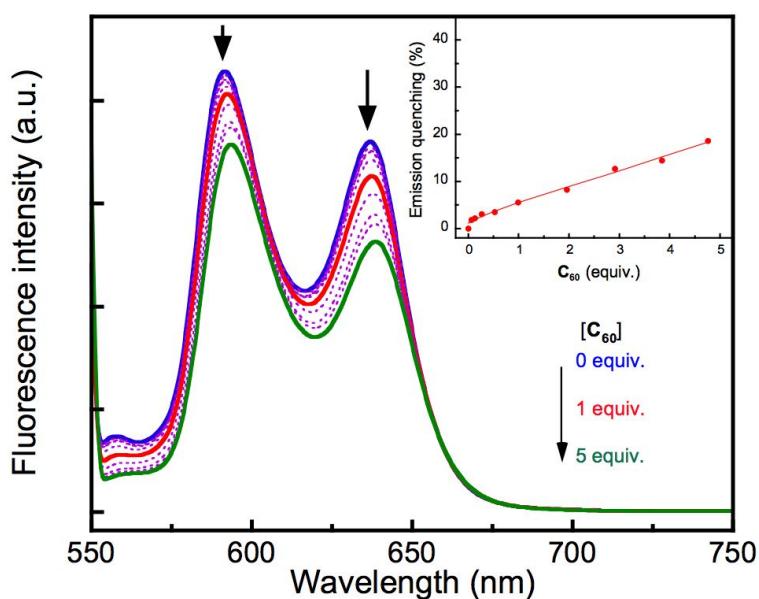


Figure S1. Fluorescence spectral changes of TP (20 μM) upon addition of (a) C₆₀ (0–100 μM) in cyclohexane at 20 °C. Excitation wavelength was 550 nm. Arrows indicate the increase of C₆₀ concentration. The inset shows a fluorescence quenching plots.

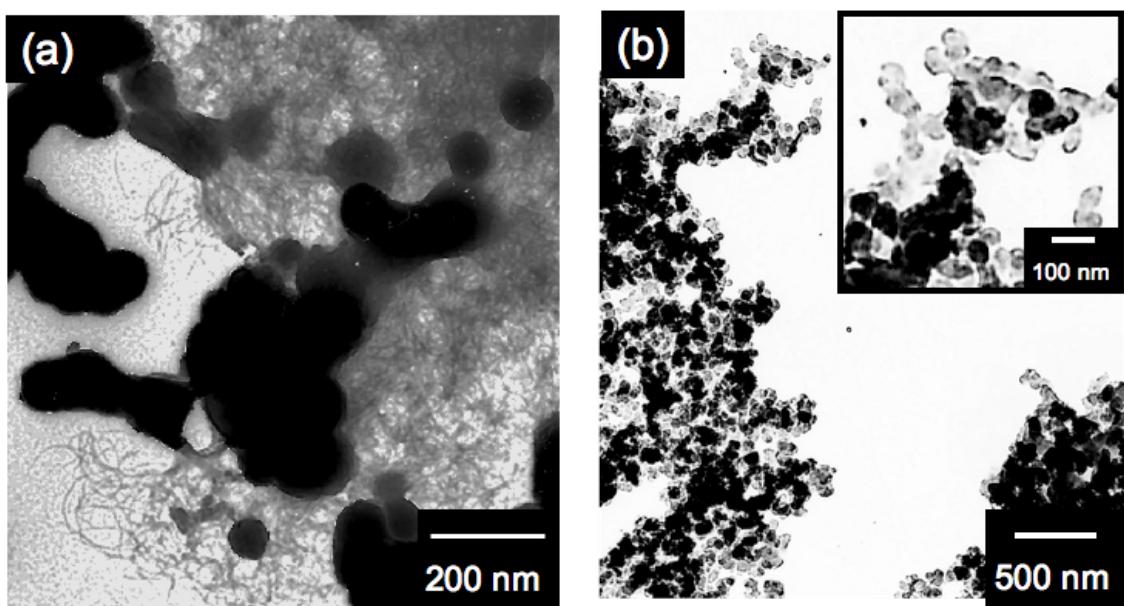


Figure S2. TEM images of (a) gTP and (b) gTP-pyC₆₀ (1 : 1) complex. The samples were prepared by casting from a 0.1 mM cyclohexane solution, and no staining reagent was used.

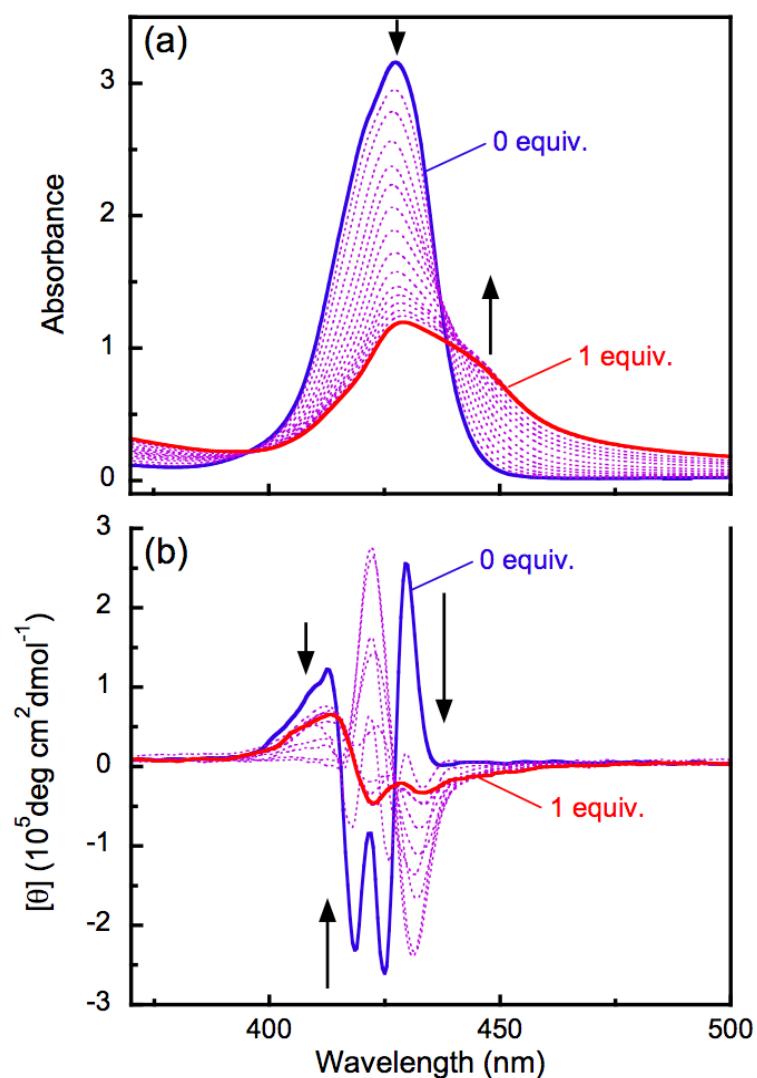


Figure S3. (a) UV-visible and (b) CD spectral change of gTP (20 μ M) upon addition of (a) *pyC₆₀* (0–20 μ M) in cyclohexane at 20 °C. Arrows indicate the increase of \mathbf{C}_{60} concentration.

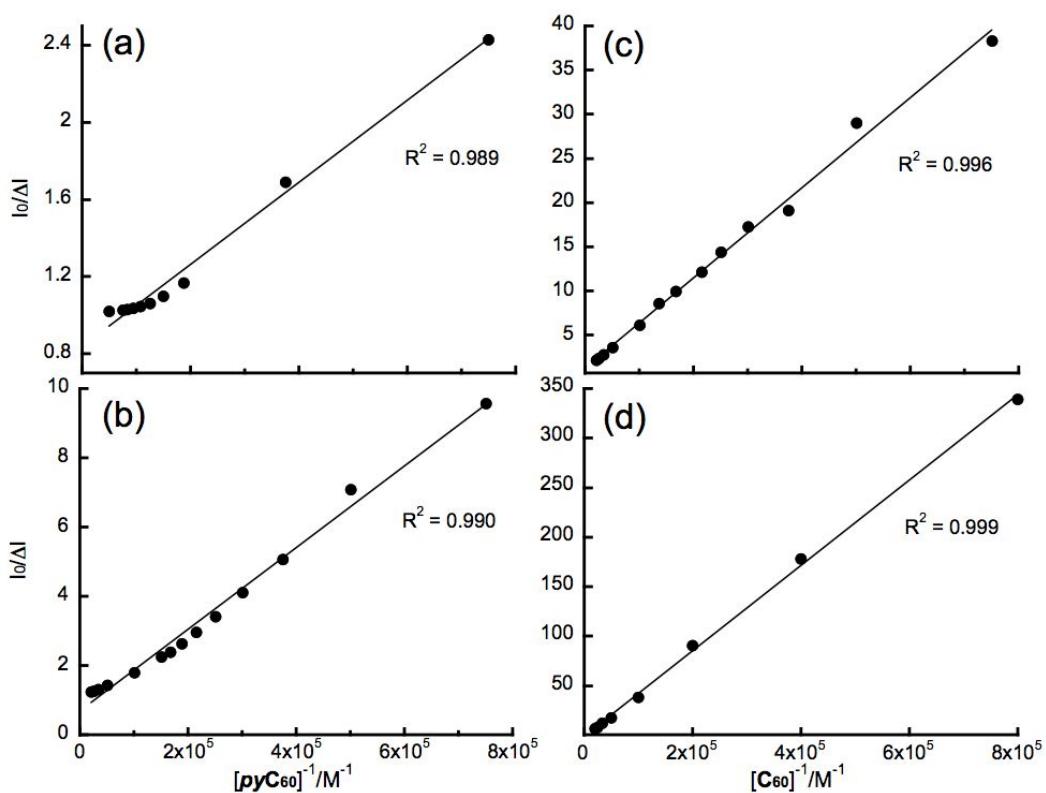


Figure S4. Benesi-Hildebrand plots of (a) *gTP-pyC₆₀* complex, (b) *TP-pyC₆₀* complex, (c) *gTP-C₆₀* complex and (d) *TP-C₆₀* complex in cyclohexane to obtain the binding constant with fluorescence date. The concentrations of porphyrin derivatives were 20 μM .

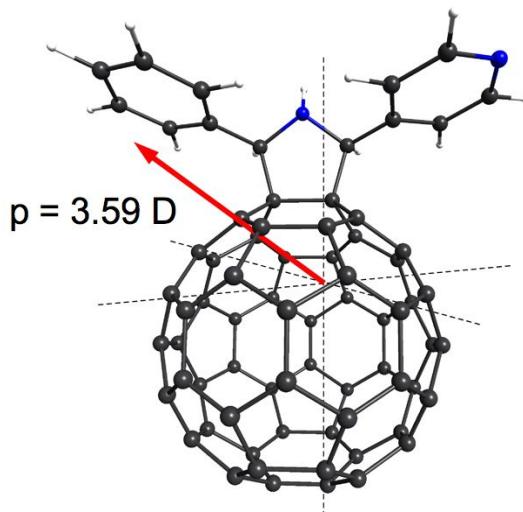


Figure S5. Optimized structures of the *pyC₆₀*. The red arrows indicate the direction of the molecule's dipole moment (p). The AM1 semiempirical energy minimization calculation of the *pyC₆₀* is carried out by using HyperChemTM.

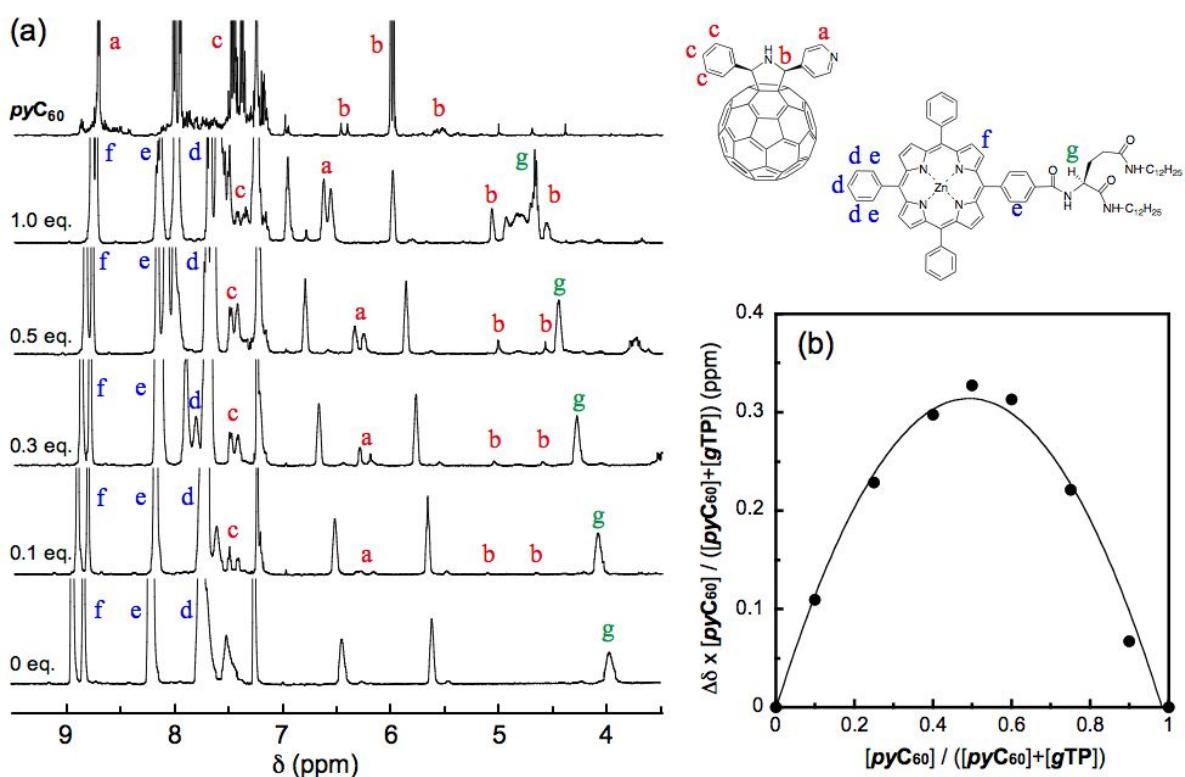


Figure S6. (a) ^1H NMR titration of *g*TP with up to 1 equiv. of *pyC₆₀* in chloroform-*d* at 25 °C. (b) Job's plots for stoichiometry of *g*TP-*pyC₆₀* complex.

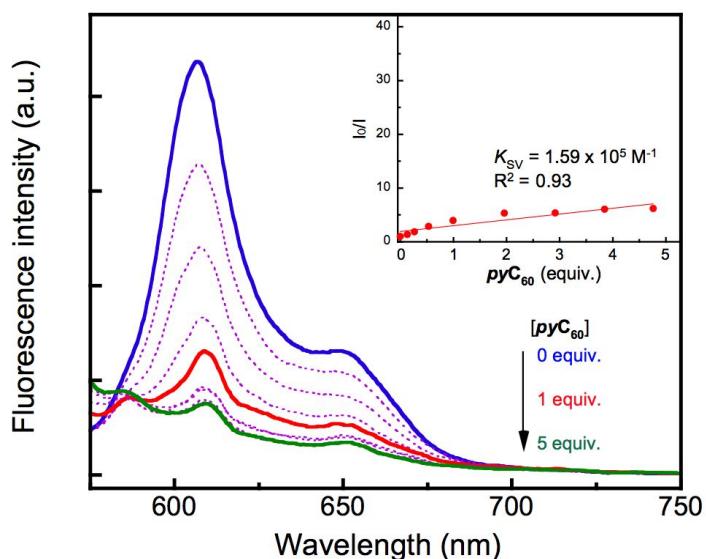


Figure S7. Fluorescence spectral changes of *g*TP (1 μM) upon addition of (a) *pyC₆₀* (0–5 μM) in cyclohexane at 20 °C. Excitation wavelength was 560 nm. The inset shows a Stern-Volmer plots for fluorescence quenching.

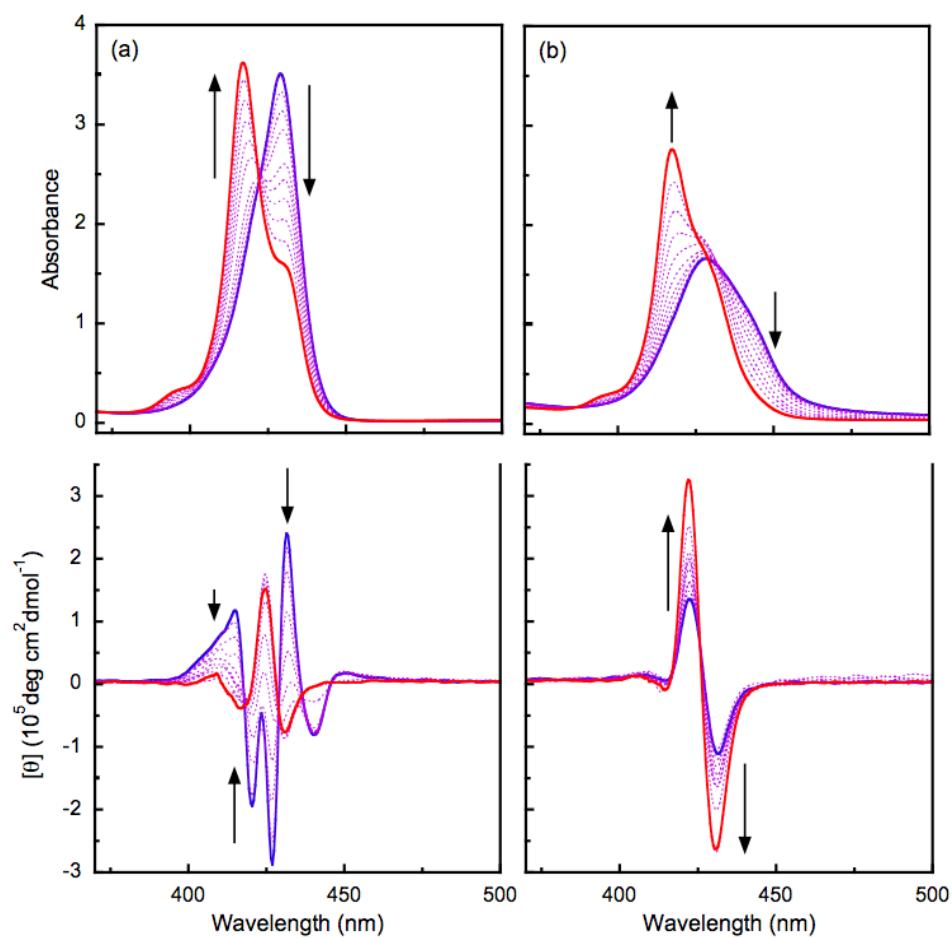


Figure S8. Temperature dependent UV-vis and CD spectral change of (a) gTP and (b) gTP-pyC₆₀ (2 : 1) complex. [gTP] = 20 μM . Arrows indicate increase of temperature from 10 °C (blue line) to 60 °C (red line).