

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL FOR:

Metallophilic Interactions in Stacked Dinuclear Rhodium 2,2'-biimidazole Carbonyl Complexes

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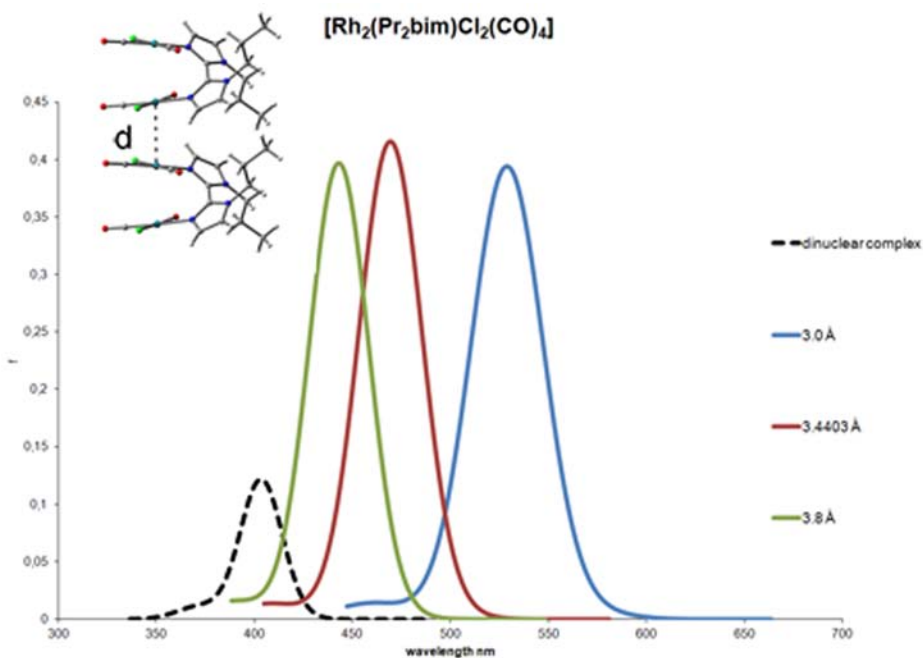


Figure S1. The peak shift of the absorption signal corresponding to the different intermolecular Rh...Rh distance (d) in the $[\text{Rh}_2(\text{Pr}_2\text{bim})\text{Cl}_2(\text{CO})_4]_2$ system. The Rh...Rh distance of $3.4403(3) \text{ \AA}$ is the experimental value.

Table S1. The contribution of the dominating charge transfer and the details of the lowest energy transition for compound **2** at different intermolecular Rh...Rh distances.

Rh...Rh (Å)	HOMO-LUMO+n %	λ (nm)	f	HOMO-LUMO+n gap (eV)	HOMO (eV)	LUMO (eV)
Isolated complex*	80	409	0.1062	4.23	-5.43	-1.20
3.0 Å	85	543	0.3688	3.21	-4.56	-1.34
3.4345. exp ^a	84	479	0.4026	3.58	-4.86	-1.28
3.4990. exp ^b	83	464	0.4129	3.67	-4.84	-1.17
3.8 Å	80	451	0.3835	3.79	-5.03	-1.24

^a experimental intranuclear distance of Rh...Rh of structure at 100K.

^b experimental intranuclear distance of Rh...Rh of structure at 260K.

In the chain structures the dominating charge transfer is from HOMO to LUMO+2 at all analysed intermolecular Rh...Rh distances.

*In the case of isolated dinuclear complex the dominating transition is from HOMO to LUMO+1.

λ is the absorption wavelength.

f is the oscillator strength of the transition.

Table S2. The contribution of the dominating charge transfer and the details of the lowest energy transition for compound **3** at different intermolecular Rh...Rh distances.

Rh...Rh (Å)	HOMO-LUMO+n %	λ (nm)	f	HOMO-LUMO+n gap (eV)	HOMO (eV)	LUMO (eV)
Isolated complex*	84	403	0.1212	4.26	-5.36	-1.10
3.0 Å	85	529	0.394	3.27	-4.48	-1.21
3.4403. exp. ^a	84	470	0.4156	3.63	-4.79	-1.16
3.4944. exp. ^b	84	459	0.4137	3.71	-4.86	-1.15
3.8 Å	80	443	0.3968	3.83	-4.95	-1.12

^a experimental intranuclear distance of Rh...Rh of structure at 100K.

^b experimental intranuclear distance of Rh...Rh of structure at 260K.

In the chain structures the dominating charge transfer is from HOMO to LUMO+2 at all analysed intermolecular Rh...Rh distances.

*In the case of isolated dinuclear complex the dominating transition is from HOMO to LUMO+1.

λ is the absorption wavelength.

f is the oscillator strength of the transition.

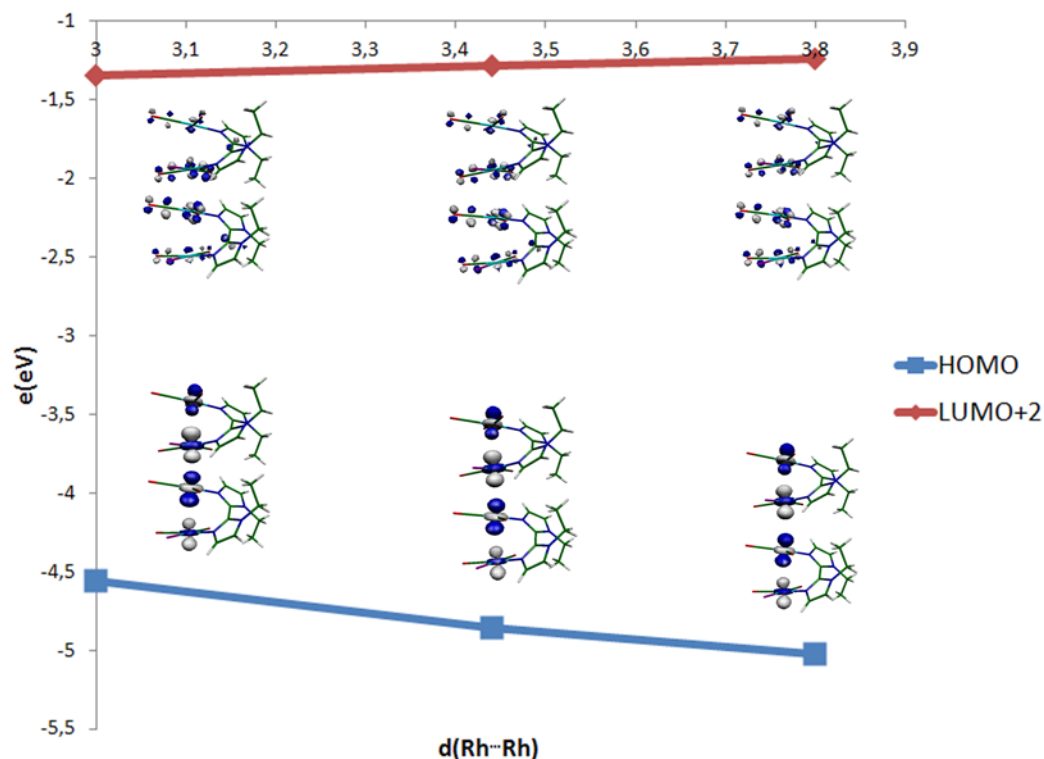


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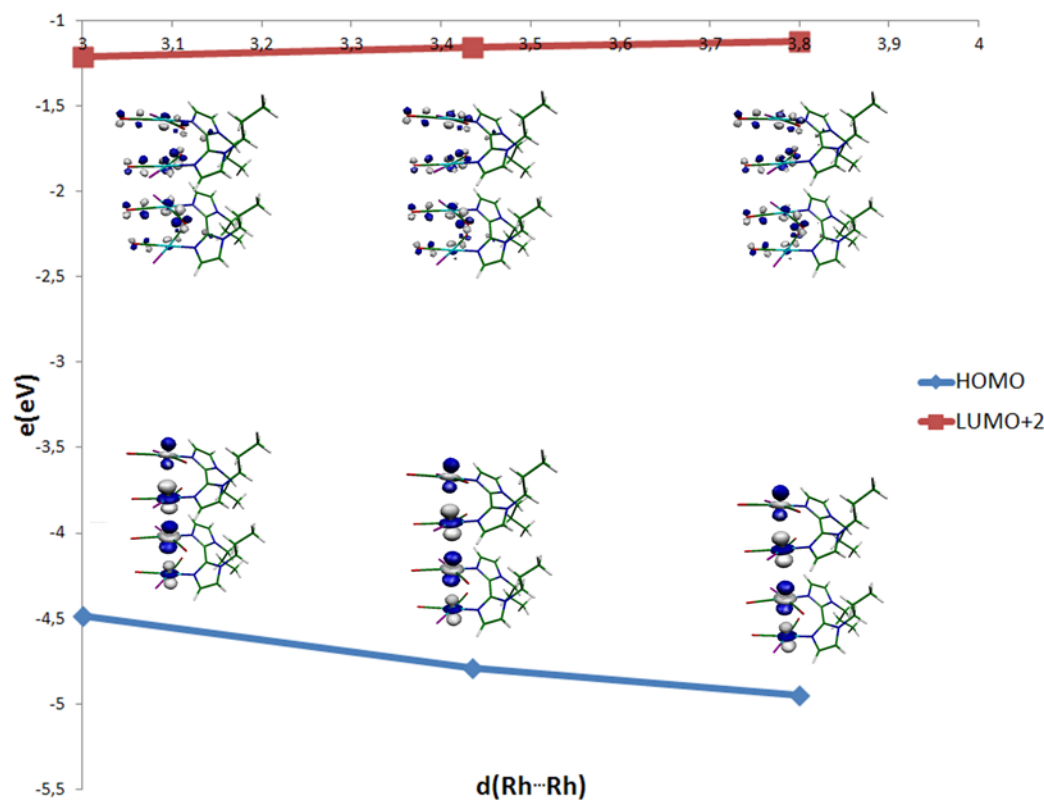


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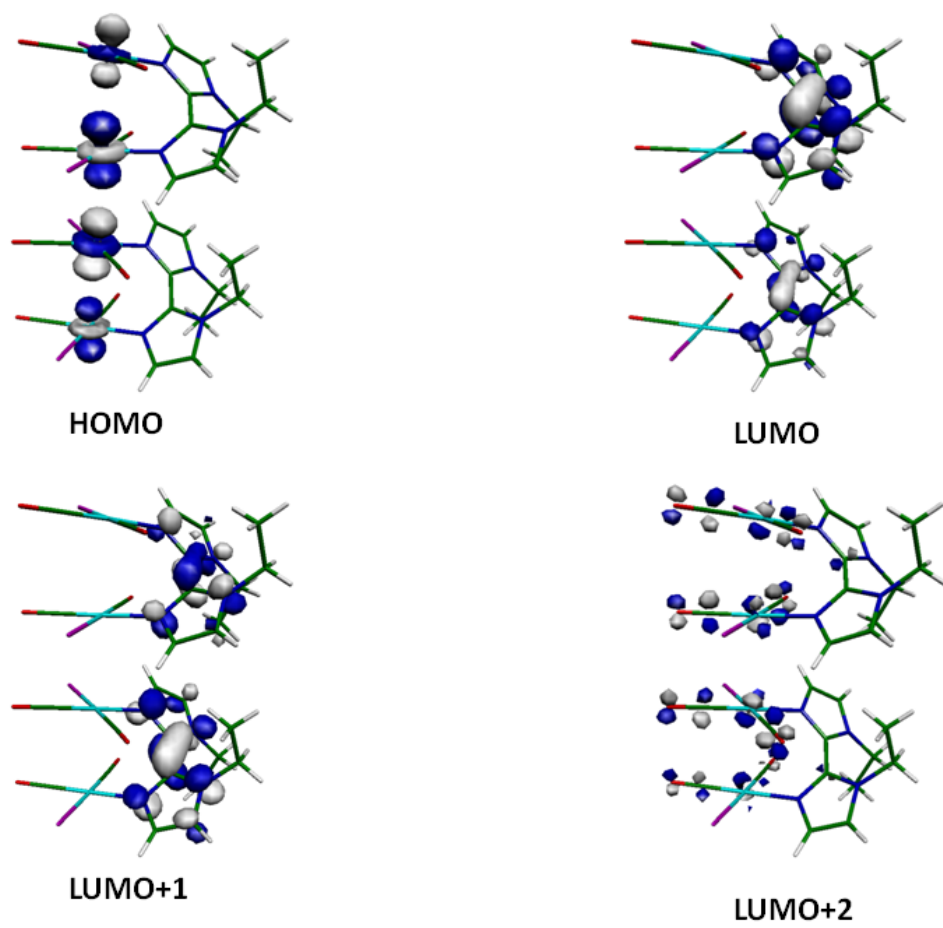


Figure S4. The HOMO, LUMO, LUMO+1 and LUMO+2 orbitals of the [Rh₂(Et₂bim)Cl₂(CO)₄]₂ system at experimental intermolecular rhodium···rhodium distance of 3.4345(6) Å.

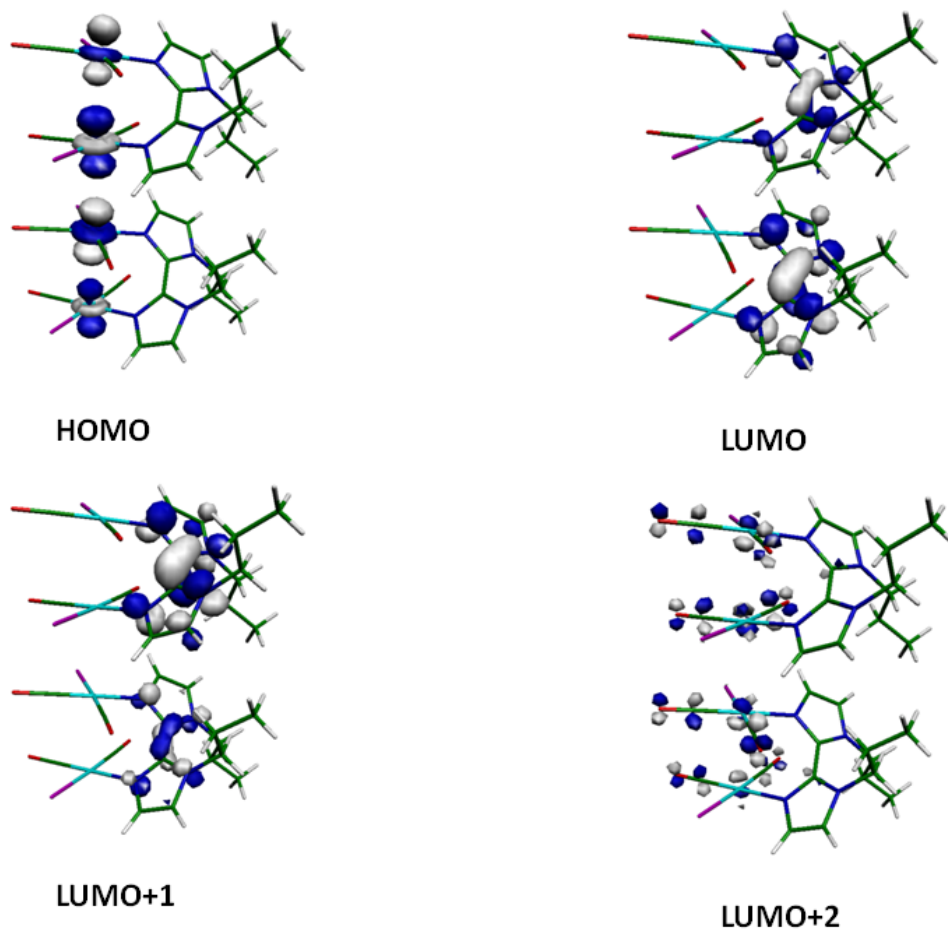


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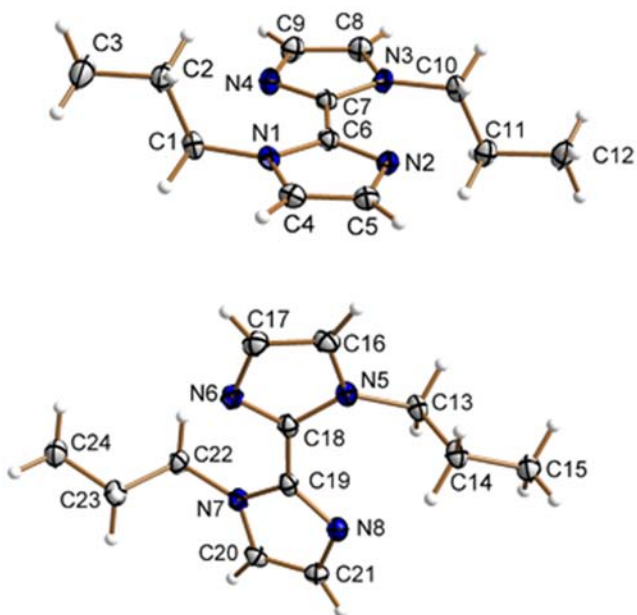


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