## Supporting Information

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## Axle charge effects on photoinduced electron transfer

## processes in rotaxanes containing porphyrin and [60]fullerene

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Crown-ZnP

Scheme S1. Molecular structures of references Crown-ZnP<sup>ref-1</sup> and Ref-C<sub>60</sub>. <sup>ref-2</sup>
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Rotaxanes	Solvs.	$-\Delta G_{\rm CR}^{a}$ (C <sub>60</sub> ;ZnP)
(C <sub>60</sub> (N);ZnP) <sub>Rot</sub>	DMF	1.22
	PhCN	1.24
	THF	1.37
	TN	1.79
$(\mathbf{C_{60}(N^+);ZnP})_{Rot}$	DMF	1.17
	PhCN	1.19
	THF	1.25
	toluene	1.45

**Table S1.** Free–energy changes of charge-recombination  $(\Delta G_{CR})$  of  $(C_{60}(N);ZnP)_{Rot}$ and  $(C_{60}(N^+);ZnP)_{Rot}$  in DMF, PhCN, THF, and toluene



**Fig. S1.** Cyclic voltammograms in PhCN at sca rate of 100 mV/s at room temperature; (a)  $(C_{60}(N);ZnP)_{Rot}$  (b)  $(C_{60}(N^{+});ZnP)_{Rot}$  (c) Crown-ZnP.

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**Fig. S2**. Steady-state fluorescence spectra of  $(C_{60}(N);ZnP)_{Rot}$  and  $(C_{60}(N^+);ZnP)_{Rot}$  (0.1 mM) in toluene  $\lambda_{ex} = 550$  nm.



**Fig. S3**. Time profiles of the fluorescence at 720-800 nm of  $(C_{60}(N);ZnP)_{Rot}$  in PhCN and toluene. Excitation wavelength was 410 nm.

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Fig. S4. Nanosecond transient absorption spectra of (a)  $(C_{60}(N);ZnP)_{Rot}$  and Crown-ZnP (pink) at 0.1 µs (b)  $(C_{60}(N^+);ZnP)_{Rot}$  (0.1mM) observed by 550 nm laser light irradiation in at 0.1 µs (•) and 1.0 µs (•) in toluene. Inset: Absorption-time profiles in toluene.

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