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Aggregation-Induced Phosphorescent Emission (AIPE) Behaviors in Pt^{II}(C^N)(N-donor ligand)Cl-type Complexes Through Restrained D_{2d} Deformation of the Coordinating Skeleton and Their Optoelectronic Properties

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Procedures for the Synthesis of C^N-type ligands

Synthetic scheme for C^N-type ligands are shown in Scheme S1. Under the N₂ atmosphere, 1naphthaleneboronic acid, 2-naphthaleneboronic acid or 9,9-diethyl-9H-fluorene-2-boronic acid (1.0 equiv.), 2-bromopyridine (1.2 equiv.) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (5 mol%) were heated to 110 °C in a mixture of 5 mL of 2M K₂CO₃ and 15 mL of degassed THF for 12 h. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was extracted with dichloromethane, the organic phase was dried with Na₂SO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was obtained as a crude product, which was chromatographed on a silica column to produce the pure product.^{1,2}

L-1: yellowish oil; yield: 78%. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.79 (dd, J = 4.8, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 8.08 (dd, J = 7.1, 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.91 (d, J = 8.1, 2 H), 7.82 (dt, J = 7.7, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (m, 5H), 7.33 (ddd, J = 7.7, 4.8, 1.1 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 159.5, 149.7, 138.7, 136.5, 134.2, 131.4, 129.0, 128.5, 127.6, 126.6, 126.0, 125.8, 125.4, 125.2, 122.1.

L-2: white solid; yield: 71%. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.75 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.49 (s, 1H), 8.14 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.90 (m, 4H), 7.80 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.26 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 4.2 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 157.3, 149.7, 136.7, 133.5, 133.4, 128.6, 128.3, 127.6, 126.4, 126.2, 124.5, 122.1, 120.7.

L-3: white solid; yield: 77%. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): d 8.71 (dd, J = 0.8, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.06 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (dd, J = 1.6, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78–7.61 (m, 4H), 7.33–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.15–7.10 (m, 1H), 2.17–1.99 (m, 4H), 0.35 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 157.38, 150.20, 150.10, 149.30, 142.23, 140.71, 137.93, 136.36, 127.10, 126.63, 125.62, 122.66, 121.58, 121.02, 120.29, 119.71, 119.59, 56.15, 32.68, 8.55.



Scheme S1 Synthetic scheme for the C^N-type ligands.

Procedures for the Synthesis of N-Donor Ligands

Synthetic scheme for N-donor ligands are shown in Scheme S2. Under the N_2 atmosphere, the corresponding borate compound or boronic acid (1.0 equiv.), pyridine-4-boronic acid (1.2 equiv.) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (5 mol%) were heated to 110 °C in a mixture of 5 mL of 2M K₂CO₃ and 15 mL of degassed THF for 12 h. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was extracted with dichloromethane, the organic phase was dried with Na₂SO₄, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was obtained as a crude product, which was chromatographed on a silica column to produce the pure product.^{3,4}

N2: white solid; yield: 78%. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.68 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (s, 4H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 150.2, 148.1, 142.1, 140.3, 136.9, 129.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.5, 127.2, 121.6.

N3: white solid; yield: 68%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.76-8.72 (m, 2H), 8.20-8.14 (m, 2H), 7.90-7.85 (m, 2H), 7.74- 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.41 (m, 4H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 150.6, 147.5, 140.8, 138.8, 137.2, 128.6, 127.7, 126.2, 123.7, 121.7, 120.6, 120.4, 109.9.



Scheme S2 Synthetic scheme for the N-donor ligands.





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Fig. S1 ¹H NMR spectra for these Pt^{II}(C^N)(N-donor ligand)Cl-type complexes.











Fig. S2 13 C NMR spectra for these Pt^{II}(C^N)(N-donor ligand)Cl-type complexes.



Fig. S3 The TGA curves for these $Pt^{II}(C^N)(N-donor ligand)Cl-type complexes.$



Fig. S4 Photoluminescent spectra for these Pt^{II}(C^N)(N-donor ligand)Cl-type complexes at 77K.





Fig. S5 Particle size distribution of these $Pt^{II}(C^N)(N-donor ligand)Cl-type obtained from the THF : H₂O mixture at <math>f_w^c$.



Fig. S6 CV carves for A1, B1, C1, A2, B2, C2, A3, B3 and C3





Fig. S7 Current density-voltage-luminance (J-V-L) relationships of the OLEDs.





Fig. S8 EL efficiencies vs. luminance curves for the OLEDs.

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