

Supplementary Information

The multiple MMCT properties of a diruthenium-based cyanido-bridged complex $\text{Ru}_2^{\text{VI}}\text{-NC-Ru}^{\text{II}}\text{-CN-Ru}_2^{\text{VI}}$

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1. Crystallographic data

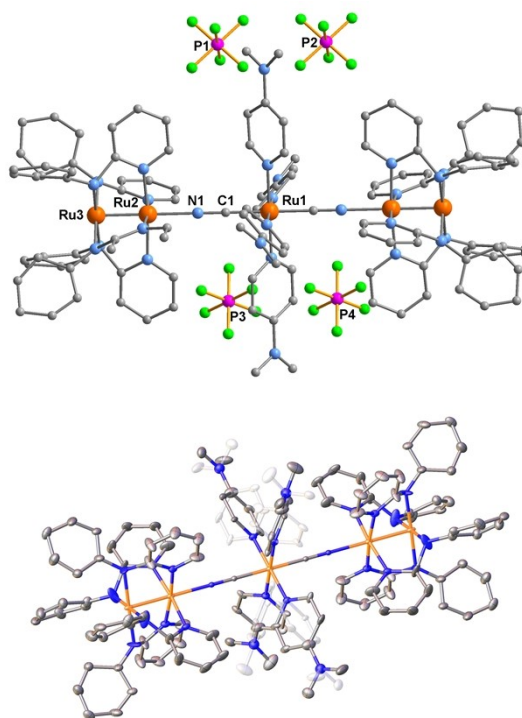


Figure S1. The structural diagram of complex $1^+[\text{PF}_6]_4$ (top) and 1^+ with the disorder atoms displayed in shadow (bottom). [Orange(Ru), blue(N), grey(C), purple(P), green(F), H atoms have been omitted for clarity.]

Table S1. Crystallographic data and a summary of the structural refinements for complex $1^{2+}[\text{PF}_6]_2$

| Complex | $1^{2+}[\text{PF}_6]_2 \cdot 2.5 \text{ CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ |
|---|---|
| Empirical formula | C120.5 H117 F12 N26 P2 Ru5 Cl5 |
| Color | green |
| Crystal system | Triclinic |
| Space group | P -1 |
| a (Å) | 11.672(5) |
| b (Å) | 11.727(5) |
| c (Å) | 24.284(9) |
| alpha (deg.) | 81.355(14) |
| beta (deg.) | 87.766(14) |
| gamma (deg.) | 89.663(11) |
| Volume(Å ³) | 3284(2) |
| Z | 1 |
| Formula weight | 2901.93 |
| Density(cal.)(Mg/m ³) | 1.468 |
| Absorption coefficient(mm ⁻¹) | 0.761 |
| Temperature(K) | 100(2) |
| Theta range (deg.) | 2.388 to 24.998 |

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Reflections measured | 41879 |
| Independent reflections | 11457 |
| Observed Reflection | 8648 |
| Final R indices (obs.) | R1 = 0.0829, wR2 = 0.1974 |
| R indices (all) | R1 = 0.1070, wR2 = 0.2160 |
| Goodness-of-fit | 1.105 |

$$R_1 = \Sigma(|F_0| - |F_c|) / \Sigma|F_0|;$$

$$wR_2 = [\Sigma w(|F_0|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2 / \Sigma w|F_0|^2]^{1/2}$$

Table S2. Crystallographic data and a summary of the structural refinements for complex 1⁴⁺[PF₆]₄

| Complex | 1⁴⁺[PF₆]₄ |
|--|---|
| Empirical formula | C118 H112 F24 N26 P4 Ru5 |
| Color | purple |
| Crystal system | Tetragonal |
| Space group | I 4/m |
| a (Å) | 14.352(2) |
| b (Å) | 14.352(2) |
| c (Å) | 33.260(7) |
| alpha (deg.) | 90 |
| beta (deg.) | 90 |
| gamma (deg.) | 90 |
| Volume(Å³) | 6851(2) |
| Z | 2 |
| Formula weight | 2979.56 |
| Density(cal.)(Mg/m³) | 1.444 |
| Absorption coefficient(mm⁻¹) | 0.672 |
| Temperature(K) | 100(2) |
| Theta range (deg.) | 1.499 to 25.364 |
| Reflections measured | 16352 |
| Independent reflections | 3064 |
| Observed Reflection | 2509 |
| Final R indices (obs.) | R1 = 0.1875, wR2 = 0.4048 |
| R indices (all) | R1 = 0.2012, wR2 = 0.4112 |
| Goodness-of-fit | 1.049 |

$$R_1 = \Sigma(|F_0| - |F_c|) / \Sigma|F_0|;$$

$$wR_2 = [\Sigma w(|F_0|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2 / \Sigma w|F_0|^2]^{1/2}$$

Table S3. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg.) of $1^{2+}[\text{PF}_6]_2$ and $1^{4+}[\text{PF}_6]_4$

| | $1^{2+}[\text{PF}_6]_2$ | $1^{4+}[\text{PF}_6]_4$ |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Ru(2)-Ru(3) | 2.2804(12) | 2.253(5) |
| Ru(1)-C(1) | 2.076(6) | 1.979(18) |
| Ru(2)-N(1) | 2.148(6) | 2.14(2) |
| Ru-N _{ap} -average | 2.081, 2.035 | 2.092, 2.016 |
| Ru-N _{DMAP} | 2.103 | 2.10(2) |
| C(1)-Ru(1)-N(2) | 89.8(2) | 92.1(7) |
| C(1)-Ru(1)-N(4) | 90.4(3) | - |
| N(2)-Ru(1)-N(4) | 90.1(2) | - |
| N(1)-C(1)-Ru(1) | 179.0(6) | 180.0 |
| C(1)-N(1)-Ru(2) | 179.5(6) | 180.0 |
| N(1)-Ru(2)-Ru(3) | 179.91(17) | 180.0 |

2. Magnetic measurement

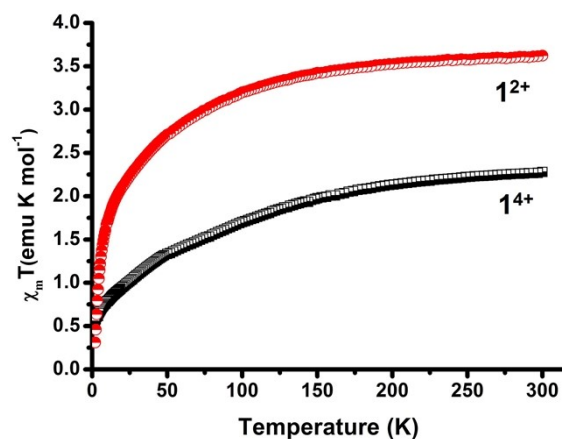


Figure S2. The variable temperature magnetic susceptibility measurement of complex 1^{2+} (red \circ) and 1^{4+} (black \square) in the range of 2-300K.

3. IR spectra

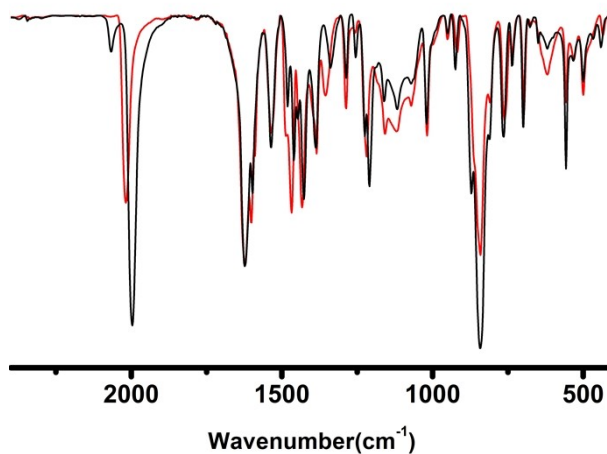


Figure S3. IR spectra of complexes $1^{2+}[\text{PF}_6]_2$ (red line) and $1^{4+}[\text{PF}_6]_4$ (black line).

4. Theoretical calculation

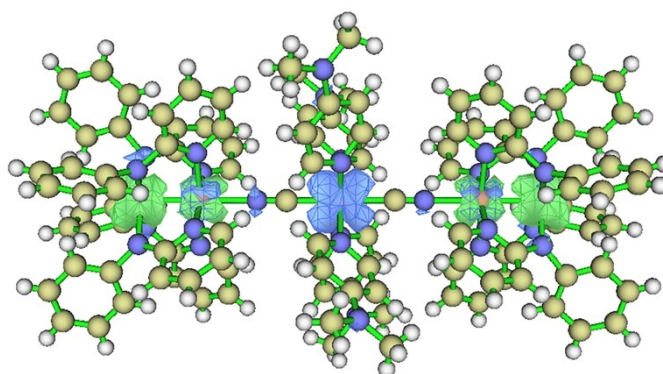


Figure S4. Redistribuition of electron densities for complex 1^{2+} in the calculated MMCT transition band at 16673 cm^{-1} ($f=0.0282$). The green and blue areas represent gain and loss of density.

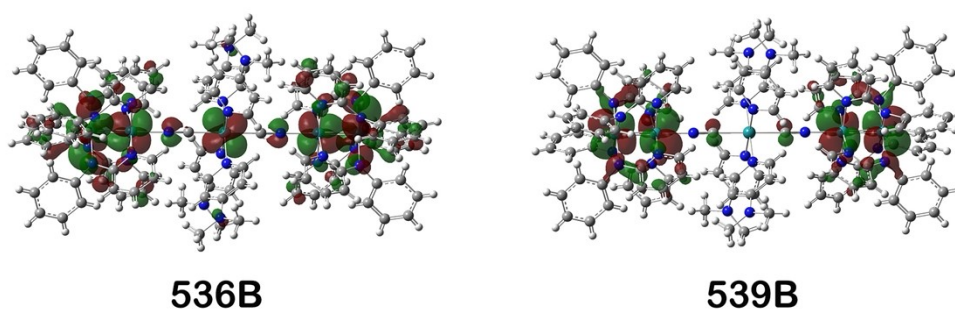


Figure S5. Molecular orbital diagrams of orbital transition HOMO-1 (536β) \rightarrow LUMO+1 (539β) (0.51812) for MMCT of 1^{2+} at 16673 cm^{-1} .

Table S4. Gaussian peak fitting data of complex 1^{4+} .

| ν_{\max} (ϵ_{\max} , FWHM) [$\text{cm}^{-1}(\text{M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}, \text{cm}^{-1})$] | | | |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | MMCT-1 | MMCT-2 | MMCT-3 |
| 1^{4+} | 12715 (8848,2695) | 7730 (8764,2005) | 5996 (4719,2005) |

Table S5. Calculated MMCT absorption bands, energy, main orbital transition, oscillator strengths of complex 1^{4+}

| | absorption band (cm^{-1}) | Energy (eV) | orbital transition | oscillator strengths (f) |
|--------|---|----------------|---|-----------------------------|
| MMCT-1 | 13185 | 1.6348 | $536\beta \rightarrow 542\beta$ (0.79779) | 0.0207 |
| MMCT-2 | 8111 | 1.0056 | $531\beta \rightarrow 542\beta$ (0.22701) | 0.0108 |
| MMCT-3 | 6386 | 0.7918 | $537\beta \rightarrow 538\beta$ (0.90730) | 0.0136 |