Supporting information

## Probing the influence of substrate binding on photocatalytic dehalogenation with a heteroleptic supramolecular square containing PDI photosensitizers as linker

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## Characterization





Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of free **PDI-Py<sub>2</sub>** (bottom) and heteroleptic square **2** (top) in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.





Figure S2. <sup>31</sup>P-NMR showing splitting of phosphine chemical shift due to heteroleptic coordination mode in  $CD_3CN$ . Shown in black (bottom) is the Pt(II) precursor *cis*-[Pt(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(OTf)<sub>2</sub>].



Figure S3. <sup>1</sup>H-DOSY comparing **PDI-Py**<sub>2</sub>, *cis*-[**Pt(PEt**<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(**OTf**)<sub>2</sub>] and heteroleptic square **2** in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.





Figure S4. Sections from ESI-MS spectra of 2.



9.6 9.5 9.4 9.3 9.2 9.1 9.0 8.9 8.8 8.7 8.6 8.5 8.4 8.3 8.2 8.1 8.0 7.9 7.8 7.7 7.6 7.5 7.4 Figure S5. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR titration of 1-bromopyrene **5** to square **2** in CD<sub>3</sub>CN..



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4.0 3.9 3.8 3.7 3.6 3.5 3.4 3.3 3.2 3.1 3.0 2.9 2.8 2.7 2.6 2.5 2.4 2.3 2.2 2.1 2.0 1.9 1.8 1.7 1.6 1.5 1.4 1.3 1.2 1.1 1.0 0.9 0.8 0.7 0.4 fl (ppm)

Figure S7. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR titration 9-bromophenanthrene **4** to square **2**.



4.0 3.9 3.8 3.7 3.6 3.5 3.4 3.3 3.2 3.1 3.0 2.9 2.8 2.7 2.6 2.5 2.4 2.3 2.2 2.1 2.0 1.9 1.8 1.7 1.6 1.5 1.4 1.3 1.2 1.1 1.0 0.9 0.8 0.7 0.4 f1 (ppm)





Figure S9. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR titration 1-bromopyrene **5** to free PDI **1**.



4.4 4.3 4.2 4.1 4.0 3.9 3.8 3.7 3.6 3.5 3.4 3.3 3.2 3.1 3.0 2.9 2.8 2.7 2.6 2.5 2.4 2.3 2.2 2.1 2.0 1.9 1.8 1.7 1.6 1.5 1.4 1.3 1.2 1.1 1.0 0.9 0.8 0.7





Figure S11. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR titration 9-bromophenanthrene **4** to free PDI **1** 



Figure S12. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR titration 9-bromophenanthrene  ${f 4}$  to free PDI  ${f 1}$