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## **Complexes Containing Unsymmetrically Substituted**

## **Thiophenyl Triphosphine**

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#### 1. General information

*Materials.* All chemicals were purchased from commercial sources and used without being processed unless specified. The starting material in Scheme 1, bis(3-bromothiophen-2-yl)(phenyl)phosphine was synthesized according to the literature method.<sup>1</sup> Tetrahydrofuran (THF) and diethyl ether (Et<sub>2</sub>O) were distilled under nitrogen in *the* presence of sodium chips with benzophenone as the indicator before use.

Instrumentation. <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian 400 MHz NMR spectrometer using deuterated solvents as the lock and reference. Chemical shifts were referenced to the solvent residual peak at 7.26 ppm for <sup>1</sup>H and 77.16 ppm for <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra in CDCl<sub>3</sub>; at 2.50 ppm for <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra in  $d_6$ -DMSO, respectively. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on the Thermo Scientific Exactive Plus equipped with ESI ionization source. The elemental composition was determined with SEM/EDS (Hitachi SU-800 FE-SEM). UV-vis absorption was recorded by a Unicam Helios a spectrometer. Emission spectra and lifetimes of the complexes were measured using Edinburgh instrument FLS980 steady-state and time resolved fluorescence spectrometer (375 nm variable pulsed diode laser, repetition frequencies 1000 Hz, and optical pulse period 100 ns). Solidstate  $\Phi_{PL}$  values were determined using a Hamamatsu system for absolute PL quantum yield measurements equipped with an integrating sphere with Spectralon inner surface coating. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed on a thermal analysis instrument (Perkin-Elmer Diamond) under nitrogen atmosphere at a heating rate of 20 °C min<sup>-1</sup>. Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) was performed on a thermal analysis instrument (NETZSCH 214 polyma) under nitrogen atmosphere at a

heating rate of 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>. The cyclic voltammetric measurements were carried out with CHI660E.

*X-ray crystallography.* Crystals of complexes **1–6** suitable for X-ray diffraction studies were grown by slow evaporation of their respective solutions in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeCN or CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/*n*-hexane or CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/ethanol at room temperature. Geometric and intensity data were collected using Cu K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 1.54184$  Å) on a XtaLAB Synergy, Dualflex, HyPix area detector. The collected frames were processed with the software *SAINT*<sup>2</sup>, and an absorption correction was applied (*SADABS*)<sup>3</sup> to the collected reflections. The structures were solved by direct methods (*SHELXTL*)<sup>4</sup> in conjunction with standard difference Fourier techniques and subsequently refined by full-matrix least-squares analyses on *F*<sup>2</sup>. All non-hydrogen atoms were assigned with anisotropic displacement parameters.

*Theoretical calculations*. The structural parameters for complexes **1–6** were obtained from the crystal data which are listed in Tables 1 and 2. The corresponding groundstate (S<sub>0</sub>) geometries were all optimized at theoretical level of B3LYP-D3(BJ)/6-311+G(d,p) (LANL2D2 for Cu and I atoms), where D3(BJ) was Grimme's D3 dispersion correction with Becke-Jonson damping. To calculate the adiabatic excitation energies, the optimized geometries of S<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>1</sub> are required, which were obtained at theoretical levels of TD-B3LYP-D3(BJ)/6-31+G(d) and UB3LYP-D3(BJ)/6-31+G(d) (LANL2D2 for Cu and I atoms), respectively. The absorption spectra based on the optimized S<sub>0</sub> geometries were obtained at the TD-B3LYP-D3(BJ)/6-311+G(d,p) (LANL2D2 for Cu and I atoms) level. In addition, the solvent effects were taken into account by the polarizable continuum model (PCM, solvent = dichloromethane) for the purpose of comparing with the experimental spectra. All the calculations were manipulated by the Gaussian 16 suite.<sup>5</sup> The compositions of the frontier molecular and natural transition orbitals at optimized S<sub>0</sub>, S<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>1</sub> geometries of complex 1-6 were calculated by the Multiwfn program.<sup>6,7</sup>

*Cyclic voltammetric measurement.* Experiments were performed at room temperature in a homemade airtight three–electrode cell connected to a nitrogen gas injection. The reference electrode consisted of a saturated calomel electrode (SCE). The counter electrode was a platinum wire counter electrode. The working electrode was a glassy carbon electrode (3 mm diameter). The supporting electrolyte tetrabutylammonium hexafluorophosphate (*n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>N)(PF<sub>6</sub>) (Macklin, 98%) was used as received and simply degassed under nitrogen. Dichloromethane was freshly distilled over CaH<sub>2</sub> prior to use. The solutions used during the electrochemical studies were typically  $2 \times 10^{-3}$  M in complex compound and 0.1 M in supporting electrolyte. Before each measurement, the solutions were degassed by bubbling N<sub>2</sub> and the working electrode was polished with 0.05 micron gamma Alumina power on suede, and then the working electrodes were ultrasonically treated with acetone.

*Device fabrication.* Electroluminescent (EL) devices were fabricated by the conventional vacuum deposition method under a pressure of less than  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  Pa. The devices were made on an indium-tin oxide (ITO) film (15  $\Omega$  per square, thickness 110 nm) with a 9 mm<sup>2</sup> square-patterned area. The EL spectra, CIE coordinates and J–V–L curves of the devices were measured with a PHOTO RESEARCH SpectraScan PR 655 photometer and a KEITHLEY 2400 SourceMeter constant current source. The EQE values were calculated by assuming a lambertian emission pattern.

2. NMR and mass spectra



**Figure S1**. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of L1 in  $d_6$ -DMSO.



Figure S2. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of L1 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S3. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of L1 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S4. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of L2 in  $d_6$ -DMSO.





Figure S6. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of L2 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

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Figure S8. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of 1 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.





Figure S10. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of 2 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.









Figure S12. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of 3 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.









Figure S14. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of 4 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.













Figure S18. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of 6 in  $d_6$ -DMSO.



Figure S19. Mass spectrum of L1.



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Figure S34. Experimental UV-vis absorption spectra and simulated spectra with oscillator strength for complexes 2, 3, 5 and 6.



Figure S35. Normalized excitation spectra of 1–6 in powder state at 297 K ( $\lambda_{em}$ , 1: 554 nm; 2: 585 nm; 3: 580 nm; 4: 565 nm; 5: 580 nm; 6: 590 nm).



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**Figure S50**. Compositions of the frontier natural transition orbitals at optimized T<sub>1</sub> geometry of complex **2**.



Figure S51. Compositions of the frontier natural transition orbitals at optimized  $T_1$  geometry of complex 3.



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**Figure S53**. Compositions of the frontier natural transition orbitals at optimized T<sub>1</sub> geometry of complex **5**.



Figure S54. Compositions of the frontier natural transition orbitals at optimized  $T_1$  geometry of complex 6.

	1	<b>2</b> • CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	3
Empirical formula	$4(C_{38}H_{29}CuIP_{3}S_{2})$	$C_{38}H_{29}CuBrP_3S_2$	C <sub>38</sub> H <sub>29</sub> CuClP <sub>3</sub> S <sub>2</sub>
		• $CH_2Cl_2$	
Formula weight	3332.32	871.02	741.63
Temperature (K)	100.01(10)	100.00(10)	100.1(5)
Wavelength (Å)	1.54184	1.54184	1.54184
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Space group	Pna2 <sub>1</sub>	$P2_1/n$	P-1
<i>a</i> (Å)	78.6606(9)	11.51810(10)	10.5421(2)
<i>b</i> (Å)	11.11090(10)	17.6200(2)	12.8768(2)
<i>c</i> (Å)	17.1137(2)	18.1995(2)	15.4549(2)
α (°)	90	90	97.2800(10)
$\beta$ (°)	90	97.7150(10)	105.5450(10)
γ (°)	90	90	102.4840(10)
$V(Å^3)$	14957.2(3)	3660.14(7)	1935.05(6)
Ζ	4	4	2
$\rho$ (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.480	1.581	1.273
$\mu \text{ (mm}^{-1}\text{)}$	9.754	5.995	3.796
$F(0\ 0\ 0)$	6656	1760	760
$\theta$ range for data	2.816 to 76.665	3.507 to 76.662	3.027 to 76.591
collection (°)			
Index ranges	$-99 \le h \le 94$	$-13 \le h \le 14$	$-12 \le h \le 13$
	$-13 \le k \le 11$	$-19 \le k \le 22$	$-16 \le k \le 16$
	$-21 \le l \le 15$	$-22 \le l \le 21$	$-17 \le l \le 19$
Independent	23860 [R(int) = 0.0773]	7438 [R(int) = 0.0446]	7834 [R(int) = 0.0657]
reflections			
Completeness to $\theta = 67.684^{\circ}$	99.1%	99.9%	99.8%
Max. and min. transmission	1.00000 and 0.34829	1.00000 and 0.34896	1.00000 and 0.50231
Gof	1.042	1.048	1.048
Final <i>R</i> indices	$R_1 = 0.0648$	$R_1 = 0.0299$	$R_1 = 0.0503$
$[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	$wR_2 = 0.1629$	$wR_2 = 0.0748$	$wR_2 = 0.1387$
R (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0727$	$R_1 = 0.0325$	$R_1 = 0.0517$
、	$wR_2 = 0.1694$	$wR_2 = 0.0765$	$wR_2 = 0.1412$
Max/min (e Å <sup>3</sup> )	1.162 and -1.340	0.780 and -0.820	1.014 and -0.999

 Table S1. Crystallographic data and details for complexes 1–6.

	4	5	6
Empirical formula	C44H45CuIP3S2Si2	C44H45CuBrP3S2Si2	C44H45CuClP3S2Si2
Formula weight	977.45	930.46	886.00
Temperature (K)	100.00(10)	100.01(10)	99.99(10)
Wavelength (Å)	1.54184	1.54184	1.54184
Crystal system	Triclinic	Triclinic	Triclinic
Space group	P-1	P-1	P-1
<i>a</i> (Å)	12.67260(10)	12.61390 (10)	12.57960(10)
<i>b</i> (Å)	13.2191(2)	13.11040(10)	13.03230(10)
<i>c</i> (Å)	14.7902(2)	14.72280(10)	14.72120(2)
α (°)	97.3800(10)	97.2300(10)	96.7840(10)
$\beta$ (°)	98.9190(10)	99.9810(10)	100.7260(10)
γ (°)	107.4960(10)	107.0170(10)	106.4860(10)
$V(Å^3)$	2293.82(5)	2252.26(3)	2236.02(3)
Ζ	2	2	2
ho (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.415	1.372	1.316
$\mu ({\rm mm}^{-1})$	8.516	4.331	3.865
$F(0\ 0\ 0)$	992	956	920
$\theta$ range for data	3.078 to 76.706	3.103 to 76.613	3.107 to 76.693
collection (°)			
Index ranges	$-13 \le h \le 15$	$-12 \le h \le 15$	$-15 \le h \le 15$
	$-16 \le k \le 16$	$-16 \le k \le 16$	$-16 \le k \le 12$
	$-18 \le l \le 18$	$-18 \le l \le 18$	$-18 \le l \le 18$
Independent	9293 [R(int) = 0.0553]	9125 [R(int) = 0.0388]	9036 [R(int) = 0.0464]
reflections			
Completeness to $\theta = 67.684^{\circ}$	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%
Max. and min.	1.00000 and 0.51713	1.00000 and 0.39732	1.00000 and 0.62271
transmission			
Gof	1.062	1.051	1.069
Final R indices	$R_1 = 0.0346$	$R_1 = 0.0305$	$R_1 = 0.0316$
$[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	$wR_2 = 0.0917$	$wR_2 = 0.0806$	$wR_2 = 0.0805$
R (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0360$	$R_1 = 0.0323$	$R_1 = 0.0346$
、	$wR_2 = 0.0929$	$wR_2 = 0.0820$	$wR_2 = 0.0825$
Max/min (e Å <sup>3</sup> )	1.017 and -1.135	0.497 and -0.612	0.379 and -0.462

State	$\lambda(nm)/E(eV)$	Configurations	f
1	385.9 / 3.21	H→L (97)	0.0185
7	314.3 / 3.94	H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+2 (73); H $\rightarrow$ L+3 (19)	0.0650
13	298.8 / 4.15	H-1→L+4 (57); H-1→L+5 (3); H→L+5 (31)	0.0690
26	275.7 / 4.50	$\text{H-5} \rightarrow \text{L} (83); \text{H-1} \rightarrow \text{L+9} (9)$	0.1704
34	265.5 / 4.67	H-2→L+4 (87)	0.1092
48	251.9 / 4.92	H-11→L (3); H-9→L (46); H-8→L (9);	0.0503
		H-5→L+1 (6); H-3→L+5 (3); H-2→L+7 (17)	
		H-19→L (4); H-16→L (5); H-15→L (14); H-14→L (11);	
72	240.1 / 5.16	H-13→L (2); H-10→L+1 (2); H-9→L+1 (5); H-8→L+1 (8);	0.0863
		H-7→L+1 (9); H-4→L+6 (3); H-3→L+8 (11); H-1→L+13 (4)	
99	229.8 / 5.39	H-6→L+2 (3); H-5→L+5 (7); H-4→L+9 (26);	0.0837
		H-3→L+11 (14); H-1→L+17 (10); H-1→L+18 (7)	

Table S2. Computed excitation states for complex 1 in  $CH_2Cl_2$ .

Table S3. Computed excitation states for complex 2 in  $CH_2Cl_2$ .

State	$\lambda(nm)/E(eV)$	Configurations	f	
1	383.1 / 3.24	$H \rightarrow L$ (98)	0.0201	
6	311.3 / 3.98	H-2→L (4); H-1→L+2 (56); H→L+3 (33); H→L+4 (3)	0.0835	
12	295.3 / 4.20	H-1→L+4 (77); H-1→L+5 (3); H→L+5 (12)	0.0727	
17	284.1 / 4.36	H-3→L (92); H-1→L+5 (2)	0.0537	
22	272 2 / 4 54	H-5 $\rightarrow$ L (50); H-4 $\rightarrow$ L (5); H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+8 (5);	0 1125	
23	2/3.2/4.54	H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+9 (7); H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+10 (4); H $\rightarrow$ L+10 (22)	0.1155	
25	259 0 / 4 91	H-9→L (2); H-4→L+1 (11); H-2→L+4 (37);	0.0712	
35	258.0/4.81	$H-1 \rightarrow L+11$ (24); $H \rightarrow L+12$ (13)	0.0/13	
42 251.4 / 4.	251 4 / 4 02	H-11→L (5); H-9→L (56); H-8→L (8);	0.0650	
	231.474.95	H-5 $\rightarrow$ L+1 (6); H-3 $\rightarrow$ L+2 (6)	0.0630	
		H-17→L (12); H-14→L+1 (6); H-13→L+1 (17);		
86	231.3 / 5.36	H-11→L+1 (4); H-9→L+1 (5); H-3→L+7 (10);	0.0504	
		H-3→L+8 (4); H→L+15 (4); H→L+16 (8)		
		H-20→L (25); H-16→L+1 (4); H-10→L+2 (2); H-6→L+2 (8);		
98	227.2 / 5.46	H-5→L+5 (4); H-1→L+16 (4); H-1→L+17 (3); H-1→L+18 (3);	0.0665	
		$H \rightarrow L+17$ (2); $H \rightarrow L+18$ (3); $H \rightarrow L+19$ (3); $H \rightarrow L+21$ (8)		

State	$\lambda(nm)/E(eV)$	Configurations	f
1	383.1 / 3.24	$H \rightarrow L$ (98)	0.0204
6	310.8 / 3.99	H-1→L+2 (50); H→L+3 (43); H→L+4 (3)	0.0843
12	294.3 / 4.21	H-1→L+4 (81); H-1→L+5 (2); H→L+5 (7); H→L+6 (2)	0.0680
20	276.6 / 4.48	H-3→L (86); H-1→L+7 (6)	0.1500
38	253.0 / 4.90	H-11→L (3); H-10→L (4); H-9→L (13); H-8→L (45);	0.0500
30	233.074.90	H-7 $\rightarrow$ L (8); H-4 $\rightarrow$ L+1 (9); H-2 $\rightarrow$ L+4 (4)	0.0309
39 251.2 / 4.94	H-11→L (7); H-9→L (39); H-8→L (13);	0.0694	
	231.274.94	$H-5 \rightarrow L+1 (15); H-4 \rightarrow L+1 (7)$	0.0084
		H-18→L (2); H-16→L (3); H-13→L+1 (2); H-11→L+1 (3);	
70	234.1 / 5.30	H-10→L+1 (5); H-6→L+2 (4); H-5→L+2 (8); H-4→L+3 (3);	0.0060
		H-2→L+9 (3); H-2→L+10 (3); H-1→L+13 (4);	0.0909
		$H \rightarrow L+15 (5); H \rightarrow L+17 (22); H \rightarrow L+18 (4)$	
94	226 1 / 5 19	H-15→L+1 (30); H-14→L+1 (8); H-8→L+2 (8); H-6→L+3 (2);	0.0521
	220.4/ 3.48	H-5→L+4 (5); H-3→L+7 (9); H-3→L+8 (6); H-2→L+11 (3)	0.0331

Table S4. Computed excitation states for complex 3 in  $CH_2Cl_2$ .

Table S5. Computed excitation states for complex 4 in  $CH_2Cl_2$ .

State	$\lambda(nm)/E(eV)$	Configurations	f
1	391.2 / 3.17	$H \rightarrow L$ (96)	0.0250
7	315.2 / 3.93	H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+2 (77); H $\rightarrow$ L+3 (15)	0.0656
9	308.5 / 4.02	H-3→L (63); H-1→L+2 (3); H→L+3 (29)	0.0708
20	287.2 / 4.32	H-5→L (52); H-3→L+1 (24); H→L+6 (3); H→L+8 (16)	0.1031
21 286	2862/122	H-5→L (39); H-3→L+1 (24); H-1→L+7 (3);	0.1138
	280.374.33	H-1→L+8 (2); H→L+8 (25)	
34	267.0 / 4.64	H-3→L+2 (7); H-2→L+4 (78); H→L+11 (5)	0.0817
40	260 2 / 1 77	H-7→L (44); H-6→L (5); H-5→L+1 (12);	0 1174
40	200.2 / 4. / /	H-4→L+2 (8); H-2→L+6 (15)	0.11/4
100	222 5 / 5 22	H-20→L (21); H-18→L (3); H-17→L (4); H-14→L+1 (3);	0.0666
100	232.37 3.33	H-13→L+1 (13); H-5→L+5 (4); H-5→L+6 (21); H-3→L+10 (4)	0.0000

State	$\lambda(nm)/E(eV)$	Configurations	f
1	388.1 / 3.19	$H \rightarrow L$ (98)	0.0273
6	314.5 / 3.94	H-2→L (87); H-1→L+2 (7); H→L+3 (2)	0.0688
7	311.9 / 3.98	H-2 $\rightarrow$ L (10); H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+2 (59); H $\rightarrow$ L+3 (26); H $\rightarrow$ L+4 (2)	0.0699
12	296.7 / 4.18	H-1→L+4 (51); H-1→L+5 (5); H→L+5 (35)	0.0759
14	290.9 / 4.26	H-3→L (59); H-2→L+1 (5); H-1→L+5 (3); H→L+6 (26)	0.1108
20	281.4 / 4.41	H-4→L (87); H-1→L+6 (2); H-1→L+7 (3)	0.0689
38	258.0 / 4.81	H-9→L (15); H-8→L (28); H-5→L+1 (17); H-4→L+1 (8); H-2→L+4 (12); H-2→L+6 (2); H-2+12 (2)	0.1740
		$H-2 \rightarrow L+4$ (13); $H-2 \rightarrow L+6$ (2); $H \rightarrow L+12$ (3)	
52	247.4 / 5.01	$H-12 \rightarrow L(13); H-11 \rightarrow L(3); H-0 \rightarrow L+1(12); H-2 \rightarrow L+0(3);$ $H-2 \rightarrow L+7(26); H \rightarrow L+12(12); H \rightarrow L+13(10); H \rightarrow L+16(2)$	0.0640
		H-16→L (32); H-15→L (2); H-13→L (2); H-7→L+1 (3);	
59	243.4 / 5.09	H-5→L+2 (13); H-3→L+4 (6); H-2→L+9 (3); H→L+12 (2);	0.0609
		$H \rightarrow L+14$ (2); $H \rightarrow L+15$ (4); $H \rightarrow L+16$ (9)	

Table S6. Computed excitation states for complex 5 in  $CH_2Cl_2$ .

Table S7. Computed excitation states for complex 6 in  $CH_2Cl_2$ .

State	$\lambda(nm)/E(eV)$	Configurations	f
1	388.1 / 3.19	$H \rightarrow L$ (98)	0.0280
6	312.3 / 3.97	H-2→L (11); H-1→L+2 (55); H→L+3 (28)	0.0907
7	309.6 / 4.00	H-2 $\rightarrow$ L (85); H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+2 (6); H $\rightarrow$ L+3 (6)	0.0655
12	295.9 / 4.19	H-1→L+4 (58); H-1→L+5 (5); H→L+5 (28); H→L+7 (2)	0.0824
15	287.6 / 4.31	H-3 $\rightarrow$ L (50); H-2 $\rightarrow$ L+1 (24); H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+5 (13); H $\rightarrow$ L+7 (4); H $\rightarrow$ L+8 (5)	0.0610
17	286.3 / 4.33	H-3 $\rightarrow$ L (42); H-2 $\rightarrow$ L+1 (25); H-1 $\rightarrow$ L+5 (20); H $\rightarrow$ L+6 (3); H $\rightarrow$ L+8 (4)	0.1653
34	258.9 / 4.79	H-9→L (11); H-8→L (19); H-7→L (40); H-5→L+1 (2); H-3→L+1 (4); H-2→L+3 (6); H-2→L+4 (5)	0.0976
37	256.7 / 4.83	H-9→L (11); H-8→L (7); H-7→L (3); H-4→L+1 (5); H-2→L+4 (62); H-1→L+11 (2)	0.0660
73	235.7 / 5.26	H-17→L (3); H-13→L+1 (2); H-10→L+2 (2); H-5→L+2 (3); H-4→L+3 (13); H-3→L+5 (3); H-2→L+9 (2); H-1→L+14 (5); H-1→L+15 (5); H-1→L+16 (8); H→L+16 (3); H→L+17 (15); H→L+20 (4)	0.0693
91	229.6 / 5.40	H-16→L+1 (6); H-15→L+1 (4); H-13→L+1 (5); H-11→L+1 (13); H-10→L+1 (10); H-7→L+2 (2); H-6→L+2 (5); H-5→L+3 (2); H-5→L+4 (3); H-3→L+8 (7); H→L+20 (4); H→L+21 (3); H→L+22 (3)	0.0715

Complex	$E_{\rm ox1}$ (V) <sup>a</sup>	$E_{\text{on-s}}^{\mathbf{b}}$	$\Delta E_{\rm g}  ({\rm eV})^{\rm c}$	$E_{\rm HOMO}({\rm eV})^{\rm d}$	$E_{\rm LUMO}  ({\rm eV})^{\rm e}$
1	0.65	0.12	2.97	-4.86	-1.92
2	0.78	0.20	2.99	-4.94	-1.95
3	0.75	0.21	2.99	-4.95	-1.96
4	0.62	0.10	2.90	-4.84	-1.94
5	0.72	0.16	2.92	-4.90	-1.98
6	0.71	0.18	2.92	-4.92	-2.00

Table S8. Electrochemical data, energy levels, energy gaps of the complexes 1–6.

<sup>a</sup> Experimental peak potentials of oxidation (vs. SCE).

<sup>b</sup> The onset potentials of oxidation (vs.  $Fc/Fc^+$ ).

 $^{\rm c}$  Estimated from the onset wavelengths of the absorption spectra measured in  $\rm CH_2\rm Cl_2.$ 

 ${}^{\rm d}E_{\rm HOMO} = -4.74 - E_{\rm on-s.}$ 

 $e E_{\text{LUMO}} = E_{\text{HOMO}} + \Delta E_{\text{g.}}$ 

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