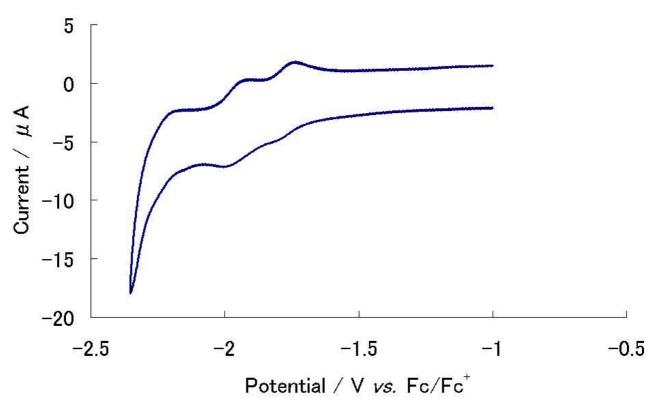
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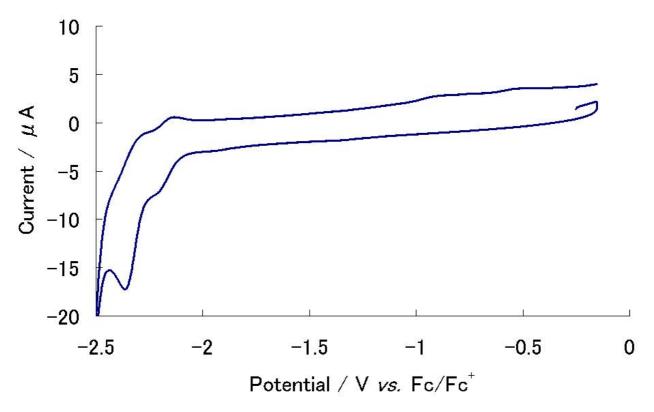
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## **5 Supplementary Information**

Cyclic voltammograms



**Fig. S1.** Cyclic voltammogram of  $[Rh_3(\eta^5-C_5Me_5)_3(S_6C_6)]$  (4) at a glassy carbon electrode in 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> Bu<sub>4</sub>NClO<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CN at 0.1 Vs<sup>-1</sup>.



 $\textbf{Fig. S2. Cyclic voltammogram of } [Ir_3(\eta^5-C_5Me_5)_3(S_6C_6)] \textbf{(5) at a glassy carbon electrode in 0.1 mol dm^{-3} Bu_4NClO_4-C_6H_5CN at 0.1 Vs^{-1}.$ 

X-ray crystal structures

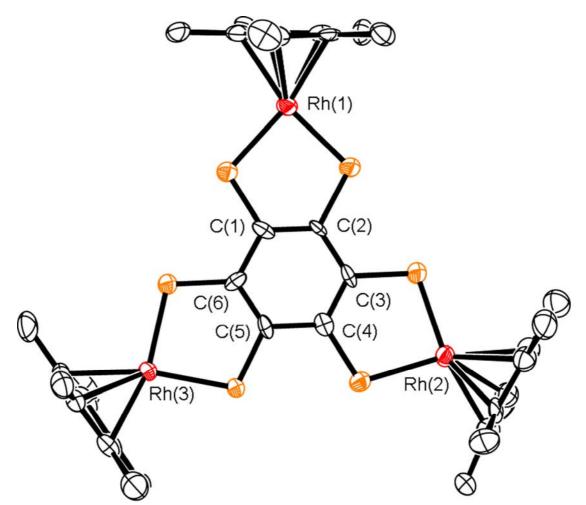


Fig. S3. X-ray crystal structure of 4. H atoms and solvent molecules are omitted for clarity. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50 % level.

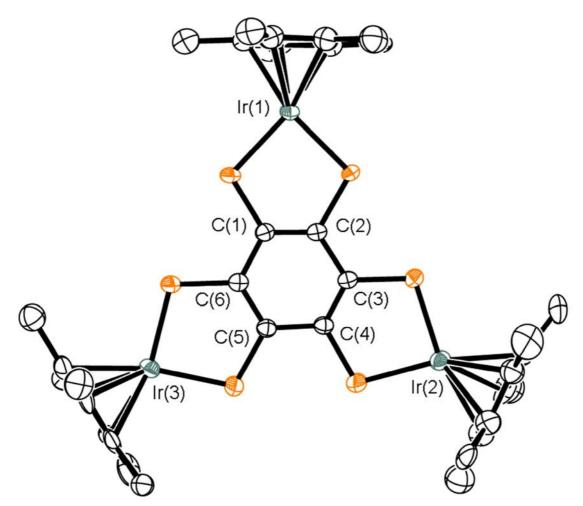


Fig. S4. X-ray crystal structure of 5. H atoms are omitted for clarity. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50 % level.