## Supporting Information

## Synthesis and DNA photocleavage study of Ru(bpy)<sub>3</sub><sup>2+</sup>-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-MV<sup>2+</sup>

## complexes

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Fig. S1 The absorption and emission spectra of the ruthenium complexes  $1 (20 \ \mu\text{M})$  with and without the presence 1 equiv. of CB[8] in water



Fig. S2 Differential pulse voltammogram of complexes 1 with and without the presence of CB[8]

	%	lane										
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Fig. 1	Form I	97	81	63	60	70	53	40	60	4	8	
	Form II	3	19	37	40	30	47	60	40	96	92	
Fig. 2	Form I	97	53	31	15	8	0	1				
	Form II	3	47	69	85	92	100	99				
Fig. 3	Form I	97	0	17	0	38	29	89	29	18	73	1
	Form II	3	100	83	100	62	71	11	71	82	27	99

Table S1 The percentage of DNA cleavage in each lane



Fig. S3 Photocleavage of pBR322 DNA (10  $\mu$ L) and the percentage of cleavage in the presence of 3  $\mu$ M 1:1 inclusion complex **1c**-CB[8] with different inhibitors under irradiation of NEC NP60+ digital projector for 30 min. Lane 1, DNA alone (no light); Lane 2, DNA and **1c**-CB[8]; Lane 3-7, DNA and **1c**-CB[8] in the presence of SOD (1000 U/mL), histidine (5 mM), DMSO (200 mM), ethanol (1.7 M), HCOONa (100 mM); Lane 8, DNA and **1c**-CB[8] under Ar.