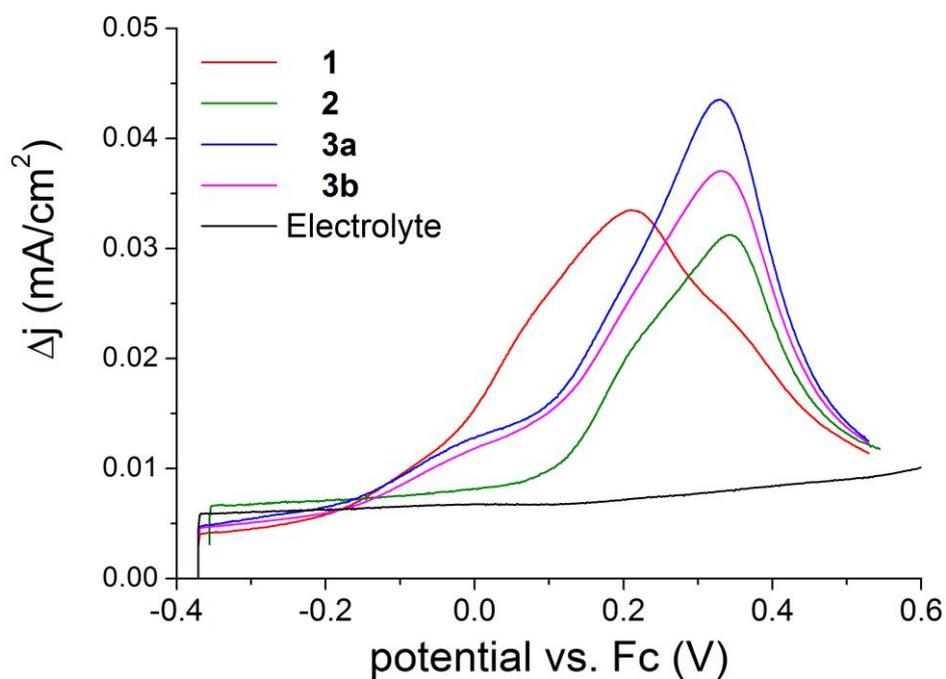


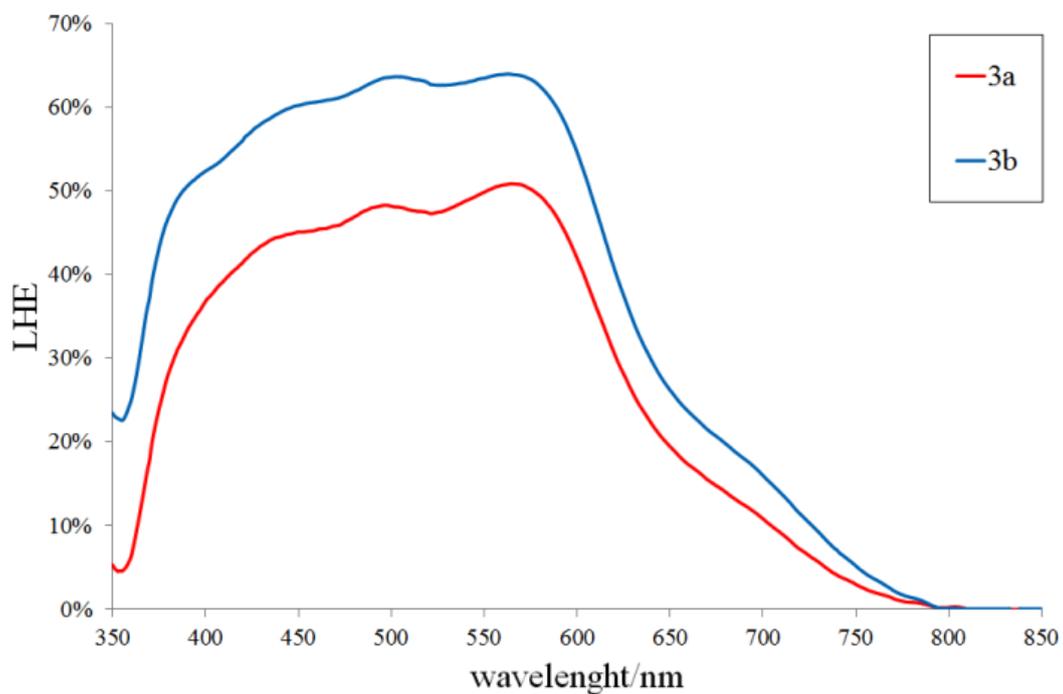
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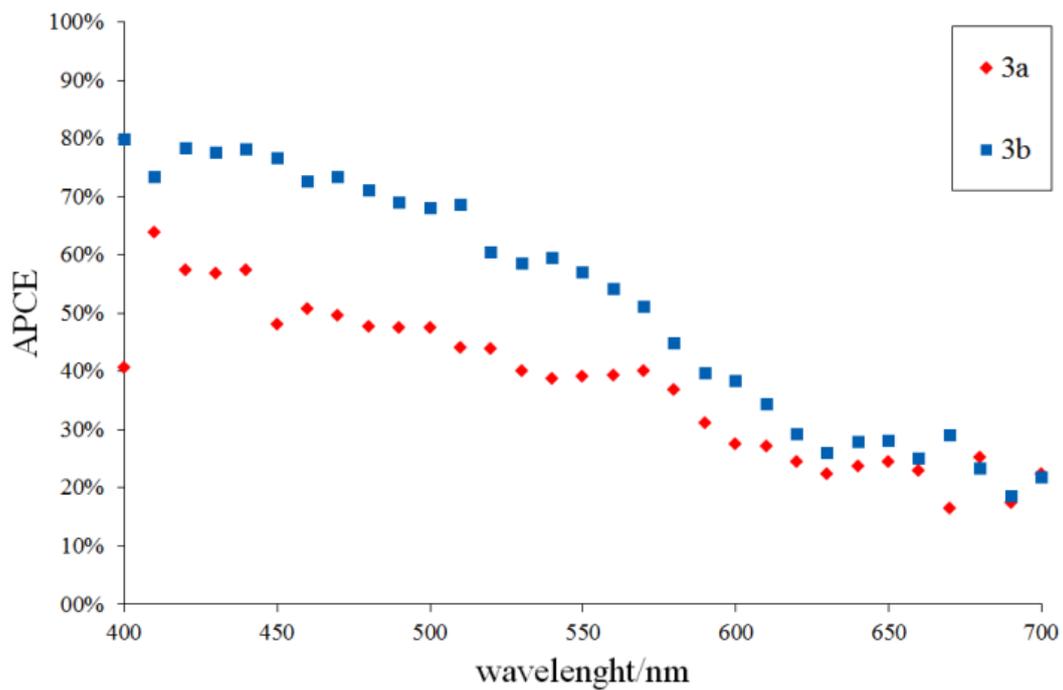
### **Electronic Supplementary Information**



**Fig. S1** Oxidative DPV profiles of complexes in 0.1 M TBAClO<sub>4</sub> in DMF at 20 mV/s.



**Fig. S2** LHE as a function of wavelength for cyclometalated Ru(II) sensitizers **3a** and **3b** (9- $\mu$ m nanocrystalline TiO<sub>2</sub> monolayer).



**Fig. S3.** APCE of DSCs using cyclometalated Ru(II) sensitizers 3a and 3b (9- $\mu\text{m}$  nanocrystalline TiO<sub>2</sub> monolayer).