## **Supplementary Information**

## Azide Alkyne Cycloaddition Facilitated by Hexanuclear Rhenium Chalcogenide Cluster Complexes

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Alternative synthesis of [Re<sub>6</sub>Se<sub>8</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>5</sub>(py)](BF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>. [Re<sub>6</sub>Se<sub>8</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>5</sub>I]I (500.3 mg, 0.193 mmol) was dissolved in 18 mL CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> in a Schlenk flask. Separately, 140.2 mg of AgBF<sub>4</sub> (0.720 mmol) was dissolved in 3.4 mL pyridine. The solutions were combined, covered with aluminum foil, and stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The solvent was removed in vacuo. The solid was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, filtered through Celite and dripped into Et<sub>2</sub>O to afford a crude solid. This solid was purified via column chromatography on a silica gel column eluting with a 1:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent mixture and reduced to dryness. The product was dissolved in minimal CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and precipitated in Et<sub>2</sub>O to afford the pure product (495.6 mg, 99% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): 9.26 (2H, d, -NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.88 (1H, t, -NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.37 (2H, t, -NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 2.16 (30H, m, -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.09 (45H, m, -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): -26.35, -29.33.

**Figure S1.** 400 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum taken at 24 h of the reaction mixture,

in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, containing [Re<sub>6</sub>Se<sub>8</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>5</sub>(L1)](BF<sub>4</sub>) and BnBr (unreacted BnBr appears at 4.42 ppm).



**Figure S2.** 162 MHz <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra recorded at different time intervals of the reaction mixture, in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, containing  $[Re_6Se_8(PEt_3)_5(L1)](BF_4)$  and BnBr.



**Figure S3.** 400 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum taken at 24 h of the reaction mixture

containing [Re<sub>6</sub>Se<sub>8</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>5</sub>(L1)](BF<sub>4</sub>) and MeI in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



## **Figure S4.** 162 MHz ${}^{31}$ P NMR spectra recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at different time intervals



of the reaction mixture containing  $[Re_6Se_8(PEt_3)_5(L1)](BF_4)$  and MeI.

**Figure S5.** 400 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of product isolated from the 2 h (100  $^{\circ}$ C) reaction of [Re<sub>6</sub>Se<sub>8</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>(N<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] and DMAD.



**Figure S6.** 162 MHz <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of product isolated from the 2 h (100 °C) reaction of  $[Re_6Se_8(PEt_3)_4(N_3)_2]$  and DMAD.





Figure S7. Ge(ATR) IR spectrum of *cis*-[Re<sub>6</sub>Se<sub>8</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>(N<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>].



**Figure S8.** Ge(ATR) IR spectrum of *cis*-[Re<sub>6</sub>Se<sub>8</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>(L1)<sub>2</sub>].



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Figure S10. Ge(ATR) IR spectrum of [Re<sub>6</sub>Se<sub>8</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>5</sub>(L1)](BF<sub>4</sub>).