

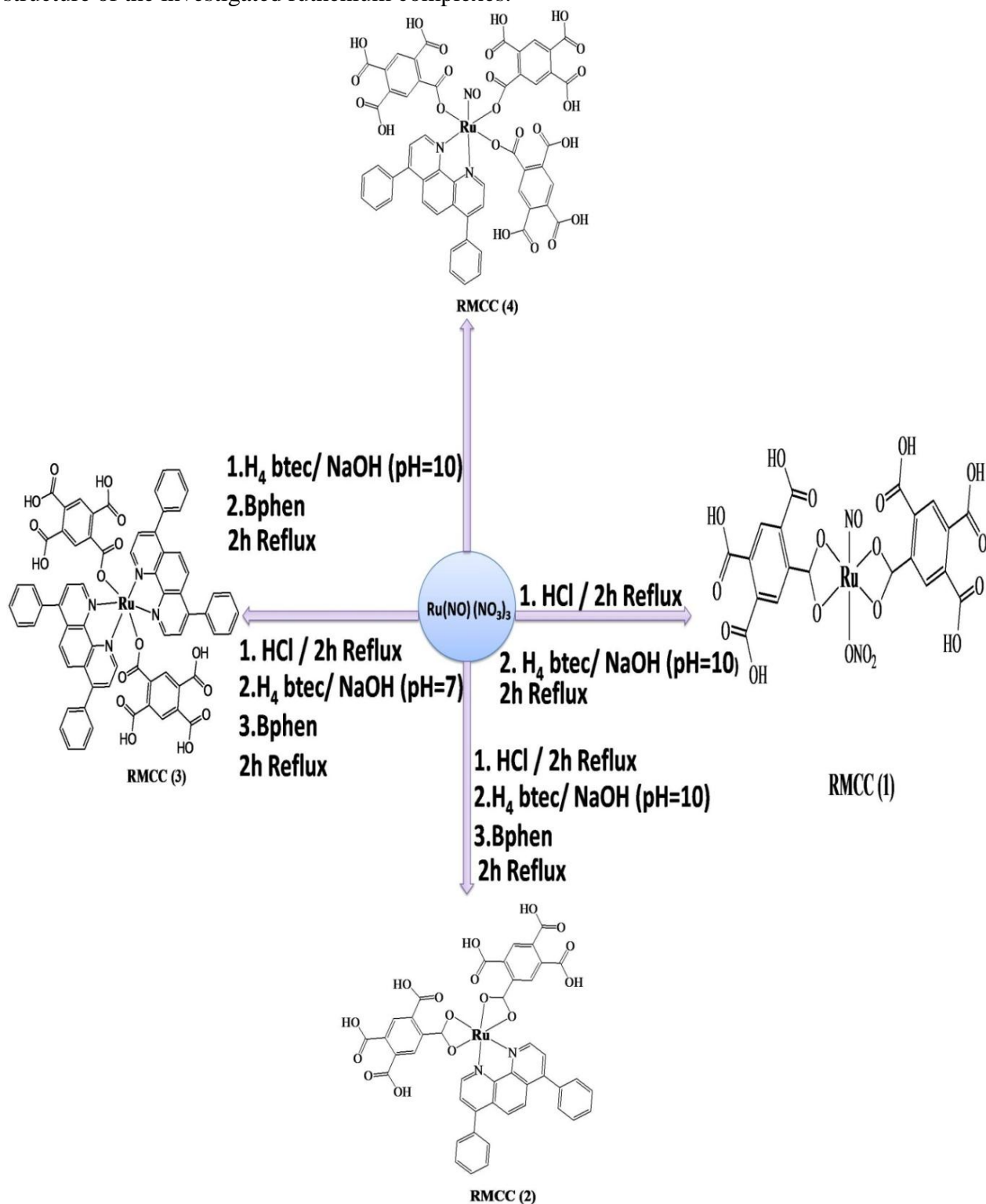
## Supplementary Information for

# Ruthenium(II) Multi Carboxylic Acid Complexes : Chemistry and Application in Dye Sensitizers Solar Cells

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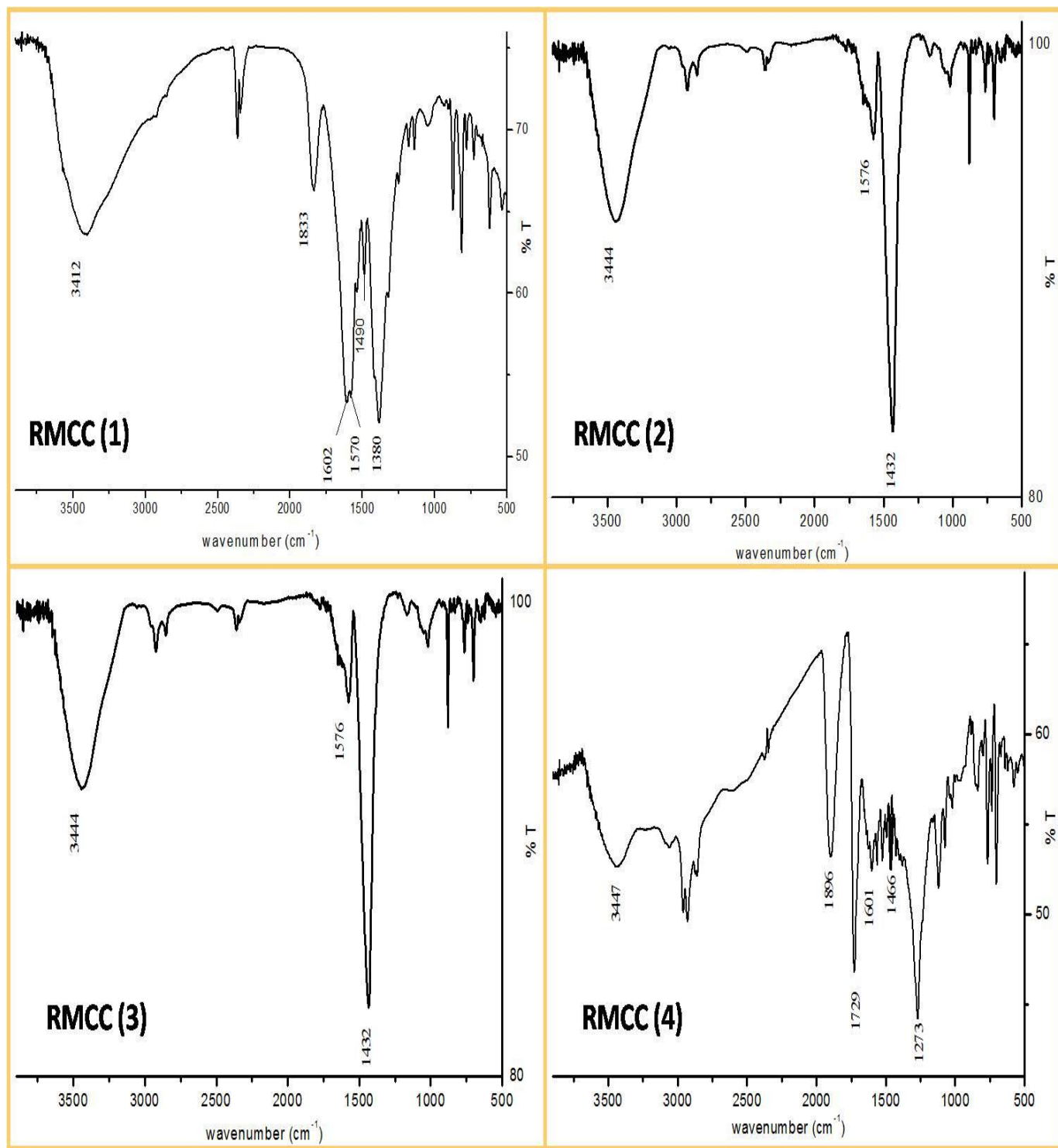
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**Figure S1.** General procedure of synthesized RMCCs(1-4) in different conditions and molecular structure of the investigated ruthenium complexes.



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**Figure S2.** FT-IR spectra of RMCCs(1-4).

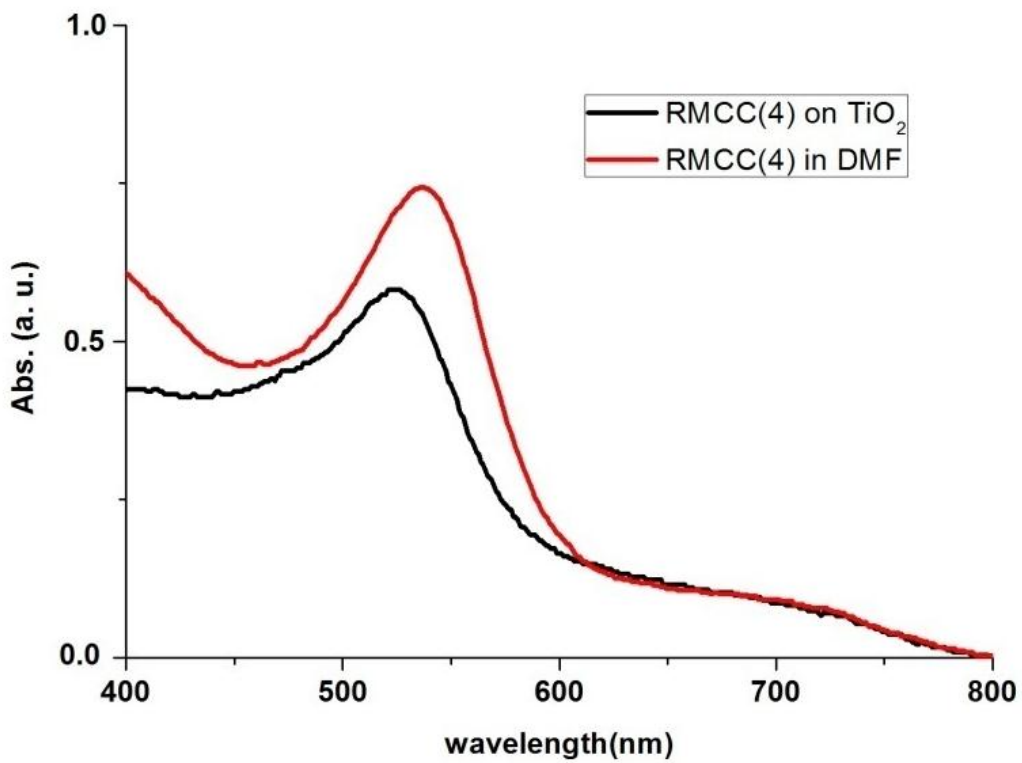


**Table S3.** Selected excitation energies (E, nm), oscillator strength (f), and relative orbital contributions for the visible region optical transitions of calculated at the B3LYP/LanL2DZ level.

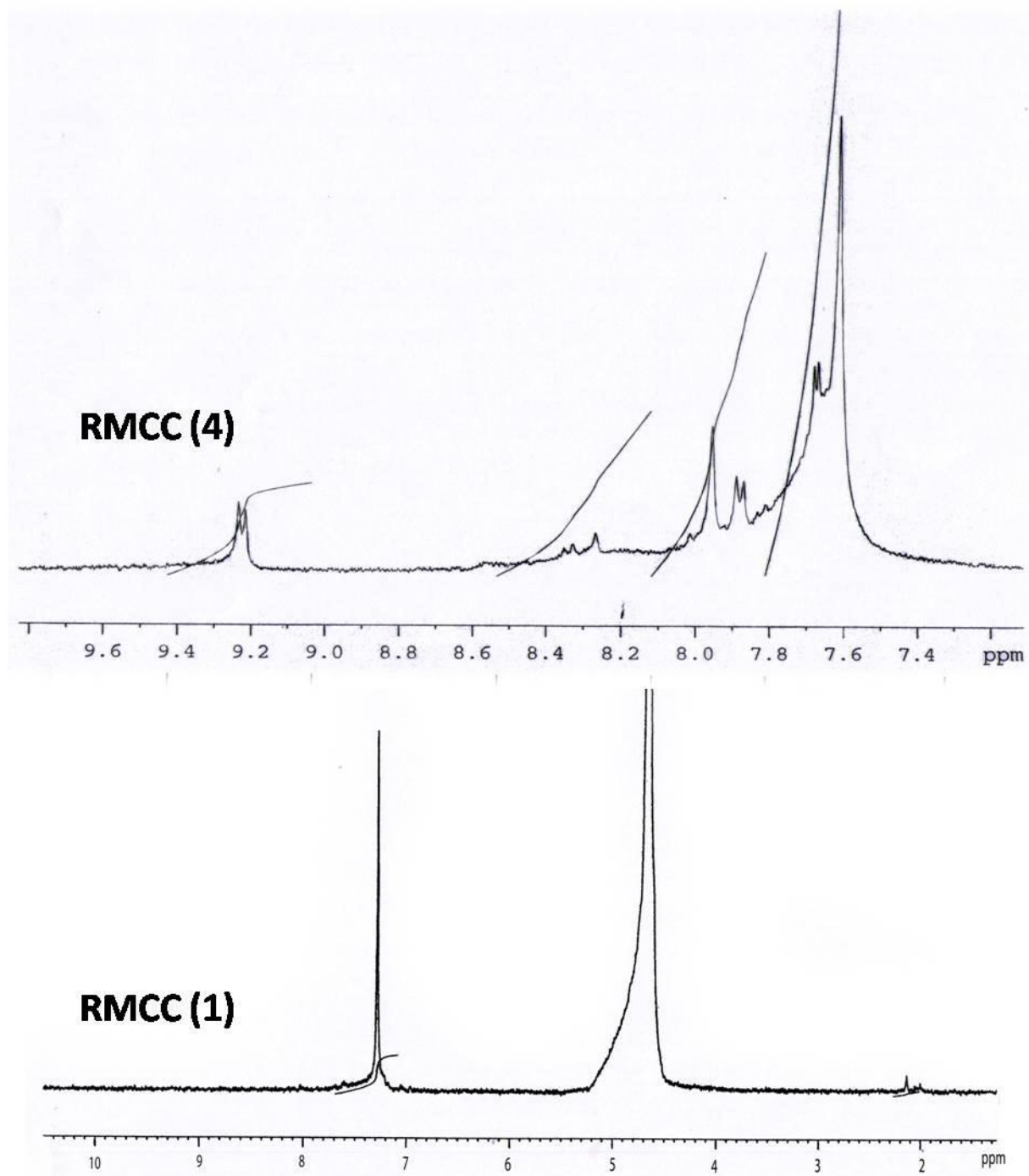
Dye	TD-DFT excitation energy/nm	Oscillator Strength (f)	Assignment
RMCC (1)	620	0.01	H-1 → L %19
			H → L %67
	527	0.06	H-1 → L %21
	496	0.28	H-1 → L %64 H → L %18
RMCC (2)	643	0.72	H-2 → L+3 %12
			H → L %32
			H → L+1 %27
			H → L+3 %46
			H → L+4 %21
	547	0.38	H-2→L %17
			H-2→L+1 %15
			H-2→L+3 %30
			H-2→L+4 %14
			H-1→L %25
			H-1→L+1 %21
			H-1→L+3 %35
			H-1→L+4 %16
			H → L %13
			H → L+1 %11
	H → L+3 %11		
	510	0.1	H-2 →L %23
			H-2 →L+1 %18
			H-2→L+3 %38
			H-2L→+4 %17
H-1→L %22			
H-1→L+1 %20			
H-1 →L+3 %24			
H-1→L+4 %11			
H → L %11			
H → L+3 %16			
712	0.02	H-5 →L %12	
		H-4 → L %13	
		H-3 → L %27	
		H-2 → L %27	
	557	0.3	H-5→L %13
			H-1→L %26
			H-1→L+1 %11
			H → L %46
H → L+1 %18			

<b>RMCC (3)</b>	517	0.17	H → L+3	%11
			H-5 → L+1	%13
			H-3 → L+1	%10
			H-2 → L	%10
			H-2 → L+1	%13
			H-1 → L	%11
			H-1 → L+1	%23
			H-1 → L+2	%11
			H-1 → L+4	%11
			H → L	%20
			H → L+1	%39
			H → L+3	%17
			H → L+4	%17
<b>RMCC (4)</b>	737	0.12	H-1 → L+2	%10
			H → L	%35
			H → L+1	%25
			H → L+3	%40
			H → L+4	%7
	568	0.43	H-2 → L	%11
			H-2 → L+1	%15
			H-2 → L+3	%33
			H-1 → L	%27
			H-1 → L+1	%19
			H-1 → L+3	%33
			H → L	%15
			H → L+1	%14
			H → L+3	%18
	547	0.28	H-2 → L	%20
			H-2 → L+1	%15
			H-2 → L+3	%40
			H-1 → L	%25
H-1 → L+1			%23	
H-1 → L+3			%25	
H → L			%16	
H → L+3			%17	

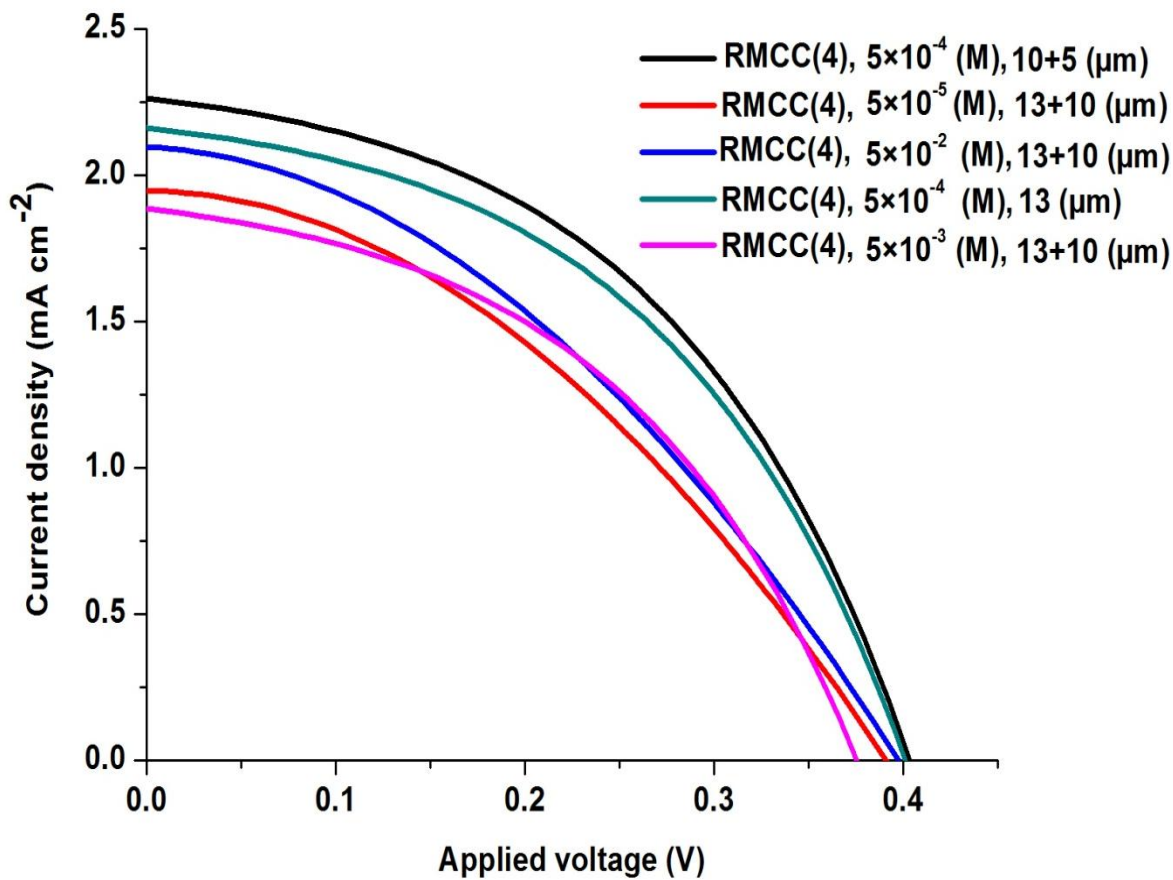
**Figure S4.** UV-Visible absorption spectra for RMCC(4) solution,  $10^{-5}$  (M) in DMF (red line) and after sensitization onto  $\text{TiO}_2$  film (black line).



**Figure S5.** The 250 MHz  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectra of RMCC (1) and RMCC(4), recorded at 25°C in d-DMSO solvent.



**Figure S6.** Plot comparing the I-V behavior of TiO<sub>2</sub> electrode films sensitized in RMCC (4) concentrations of  $4 \times 10^{-2}$ ,  $4 \times 10^{-3}$ ,  $4 \times 10^{-4}$  (M) and RMCC (4) with  $4 \times 10^{-4}$  (M) and 13, 15 and 23 ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) of TiO<sub>2</sub> film thickness.





**Figure S7.** Diagram of five highest occupied and five lowest unoccupied molecular orbital levels of novel RMCC (1-4).

