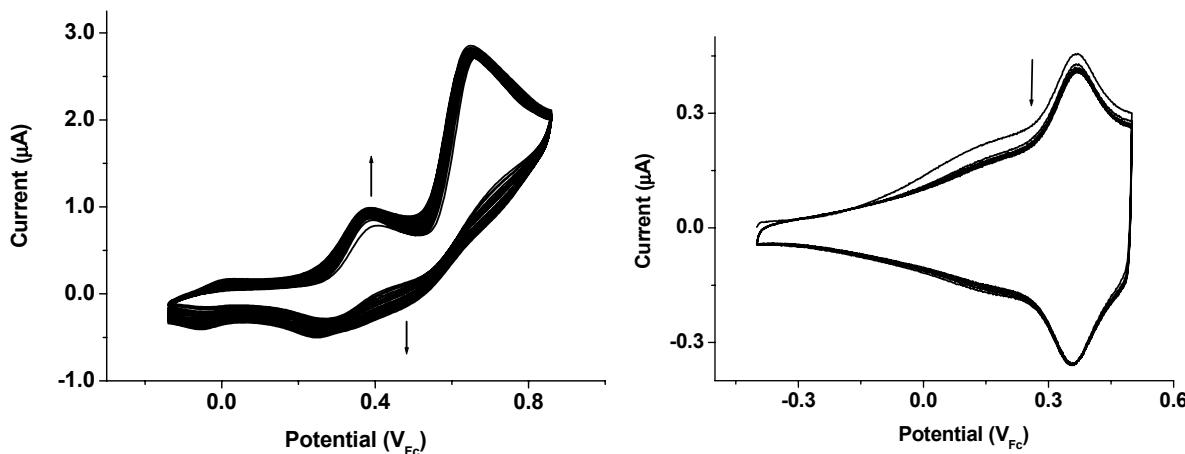


## Supporting Information

### Electropolymerisable Ruthenium(II) Phenanthrolines Carrying Azacrown Ether Receptors: Metal Ion Recognition in Thin Film Redox Sensors

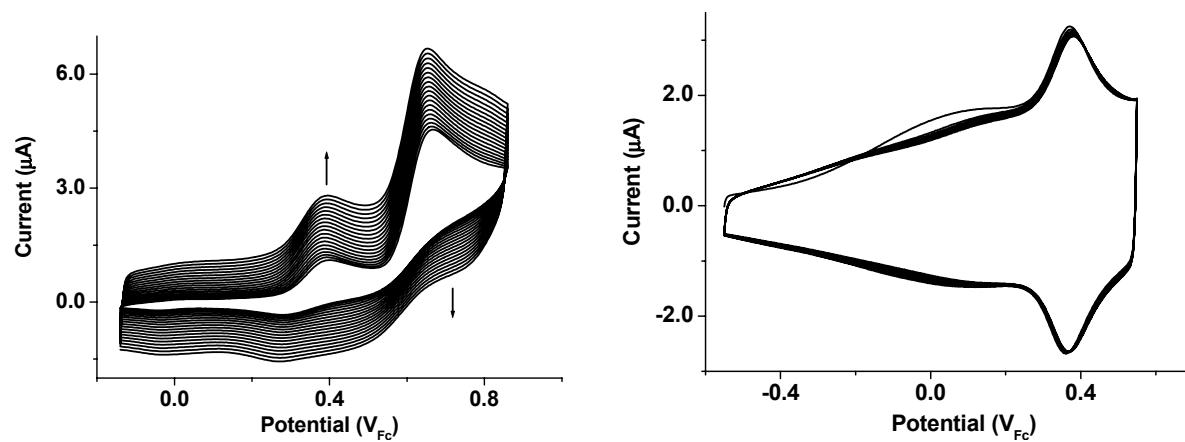
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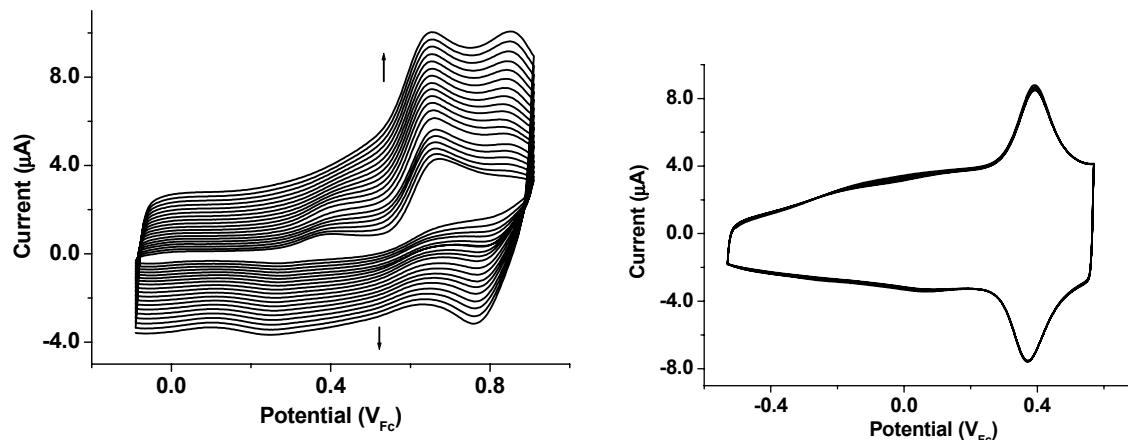


**Figure S1.** Electro-copolymerisation of **2** (1.0 mM) and CPDT (0.2 mM) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (left), and electrochemical behaviour of copoly(**2**+CPDT) in MeCN (right). 0.1 M  $n\text{Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$  was used as electrolyte.

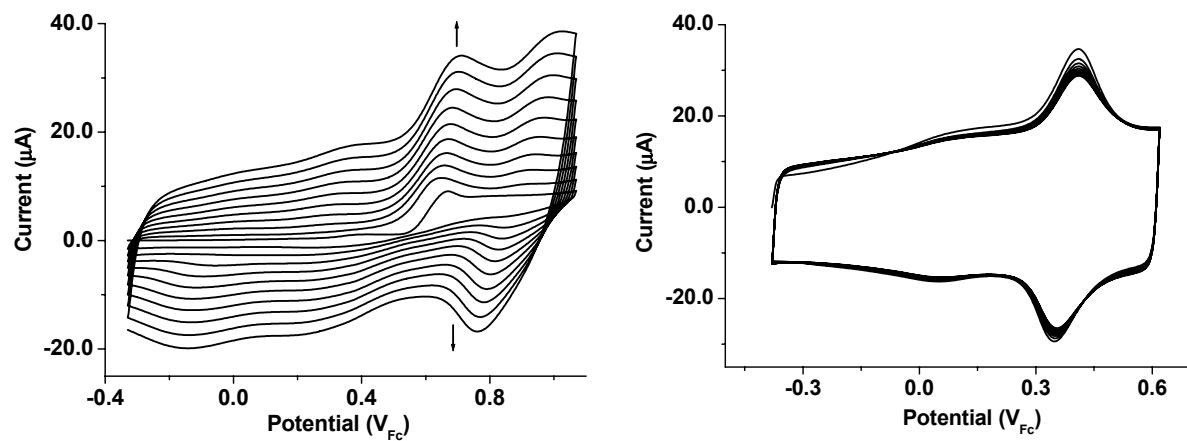
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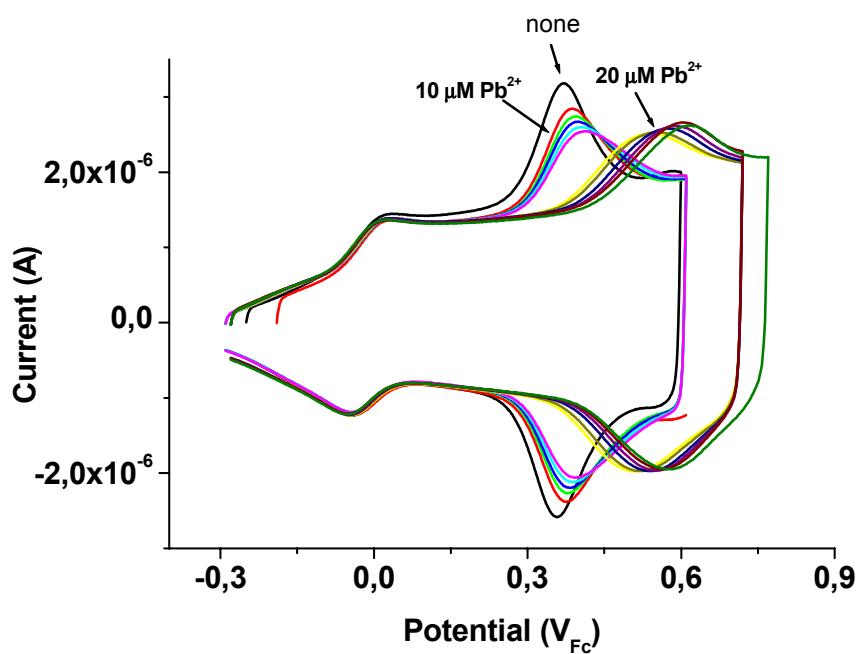
**Figure S2.** Electro-copolymerisation of **2** (1.0 mM) and CPDT (0.4 mM) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (left), and electrochemical behaviour of copoly(**2**+CPDT) in MeCN (right). 0.1 M  $n\text{Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$  was used as electrolyte.



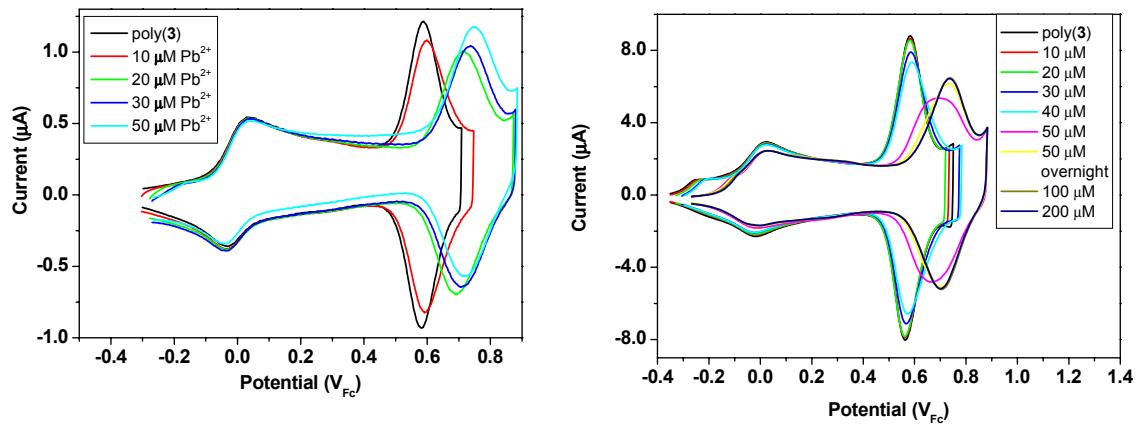
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**Figure S4.** Electro-copolymerisation of **2** (1.0 mM) and CPDT (2.0 mM) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (left), and electrochemical behaviour of copoly(**2**+CPDT) in MeCN (right). 0.1 M  $n\text{Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$  was used as electrolyte.



**Figure S5.** Electrochemical responses of copoly(**2**+CPDT) ( $\Gamma = 2.4 \times 10^{-9} \text{ mol/cm}^2$ ) in presence of various concentrations of  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  in MeCN. 0.1 M  $n\text{Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$  was used as electrolyte. The reversible waves on the left side show ferrocene added as internal standard. The various cyclic voltammograms recorded in presence of  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  (10  $\mu\text{M}$  and 20  $\mu\text{M}$ ) over 10 min exhibit an anodic shift showing that for  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  ions their complexation at the binding site is slow.



**Figure S6.** The different electrochemical responses of poly(3) towards various concentrations of  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  as a function of different surface coverages on Pt (left:  $\Gamma = 2.6 \times 10^{-9} \text{ mol/cm}^2$  and right:  $\Gamma = 2.2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mol/cm}^2$ ).