

**Electric Supplementary Information**

**π-Conjugation modification of photochromic and redox-active  
dimethyldihydropyrene by phenyl- and ethynyl-terpyridines and  
Ru(bis-terpyridine) complexes**

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**Table S1.** Crystal Data and Refinement Parameters for **2**·4CHCl<sub>3</sub>

<b>2</b> ·4CHCl <sub>3</sub>	
Empirical formula	C <sub>72</sub> H <sub>62</sub> N <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>12</sub>
<i>F</i> <sub>w</sub>	1436.68
Crystal dimension /mm	0.2 × 0.1 × 0.1
Crystal system	Triclinic
<i>a</i> /Å	9.509(2)
<i>b</i> /Å	13.741(2)
<i>c</i> /Å	15.412(2)
$\alpha$ /°	62.573(4)
$\beta$ /°	73.988(6)
$\gamma$ /°	87.296(7)
<i>V</i> /Å <sup>3</sup>	1710.6(4)
Space group	P-1 (#2)
<i>Z</i> value	1
<i>T</i> /K	113
$\mu$ (Mo Kα) /cm <sup>-1</sup>	5.33
<i>D</i> (calc) /g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.395
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> <sup>a</sup>	0.0515
<i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> <sup>b</sup>	0.1393
GOF <sup>c</sup>	1.058

<sup>a</sup>  $R_1 = \Sigma |F_O| - |F_C| / \Sigma |F_O|$  ( $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ).

<sup>b</sup>  $wR_2 = [\Sigma (w(F_O^2 - F_C^2)^2) / \Sigma (w(F_O^2)^2)]^{1/2}$  ( $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ).

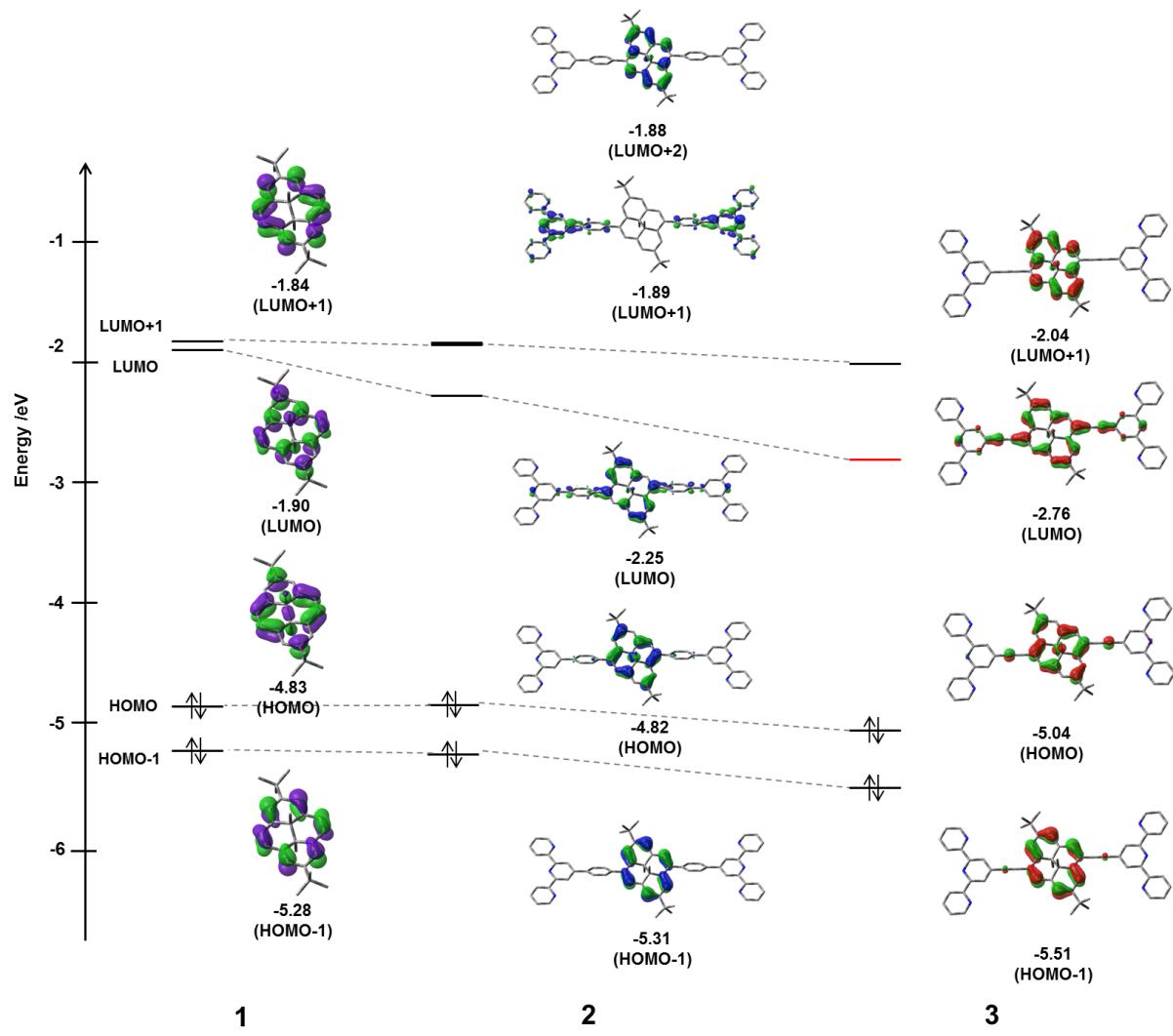
<sup>c</sup> GOF =  $[\Sigma (w(F_O^2 - F_C^2)^2) / \Sigma (N_0 - N_v)^2]^{1/2}$ .

**Table S2.** Selected Bond Lengths for **2**

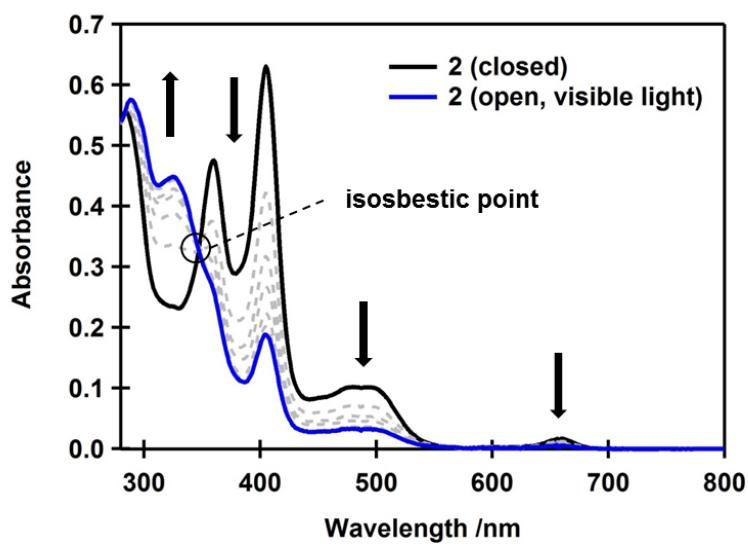
Bonds	Bond length /Å
C22–C23	1.400(2)
C23–C24	1.394(3)
C24–C25	1.393(2)
C25–C26	1.399(3)
C26–C27	1.409(3)
C27–C28	1.389(2)
C28–C22	1.413(3)
C24–C29	1.516(3)
C28–C29'	1.530(3)
C29–C29'	1.527(4)

**Table S3.** UV/vis Absorption Spectral Data of **1**, **2**, and **3** in Dichloromethane, and **4**, **5**, and Ru(tpy)<sub>2</sub>·2PF<sub>6</sub> in Acetonitrile (All concentrations are 1.0 × 10<sup>-5</sup> M.)

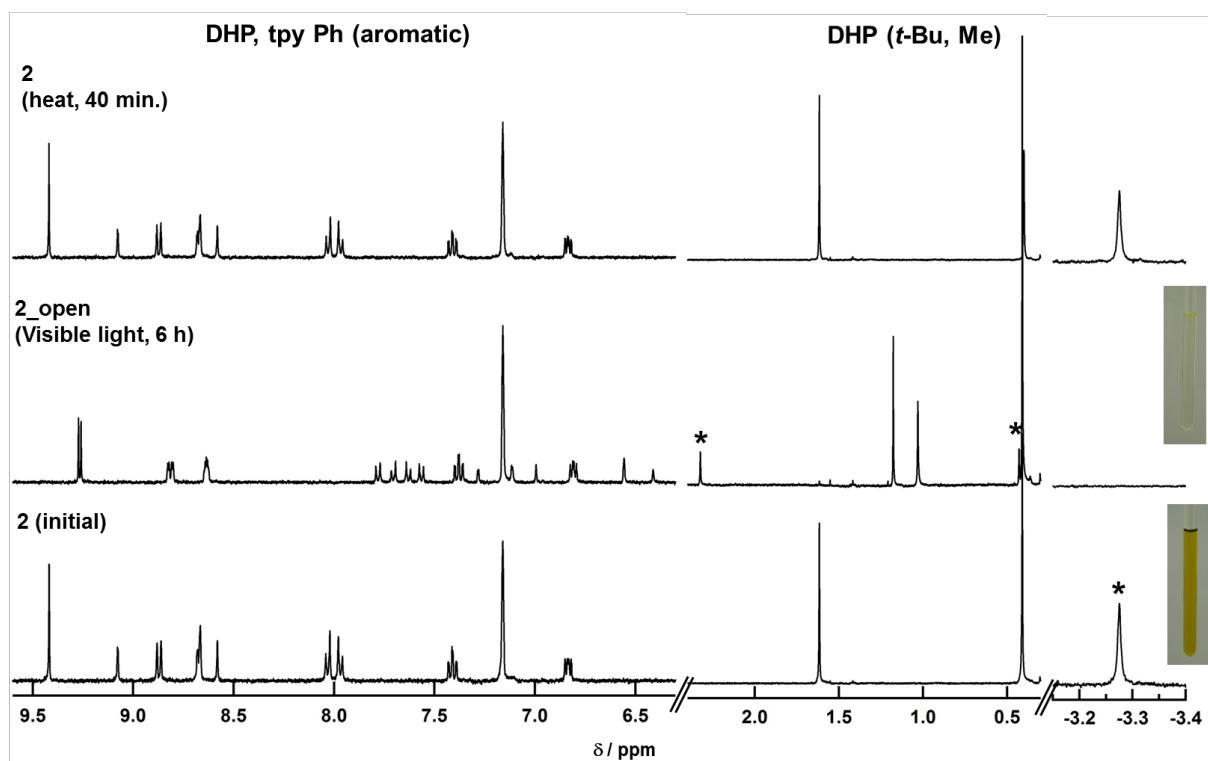
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	Ru(tpy) <sub>2</sub> ·2PF <sub>6</sub>
Band	$\lambda_{\max}$ /nm ( $\varepsilon_{\max}$ /10 <sup>4</sup> M <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-1</sup> )					
<sup>1</sup> L <sub>b</sub>	643 (0.1)	658 (0.2)	689 (1.0)	659 (0.3)	698 (1.3)	–
<sup>1</sup> L <sub>a</sub>	478 (1.1)	492 (1.2)	528 (3.5)	Not observed	562 (5.9)	–
<sup>1</sup> MLCT	–	–	–	486 (6.8)	483 (4.5)	475 (1.6)
<sup>1</sup> B <sub>b</sub>	380 (3.7)	404 (7.4)	418 (13)	399 (5.3)	419 (4.9)	–
<sup>1</sup> B <sub>a</sub>	342 (9.5)	358 (5.3)	373 (5.9)	350 (6.8)	361 (3.8)	–
<sup>1</sup> LC(tpy)	–	279 (7.0)	277 (7.4)	309 (15)	308 (11)	307 (6.7)
<sup>1</sup> LC(tpy)	–	253 (6.3)	250 (9.5)	273 (11)	273 (8.8)	270 (4.1)



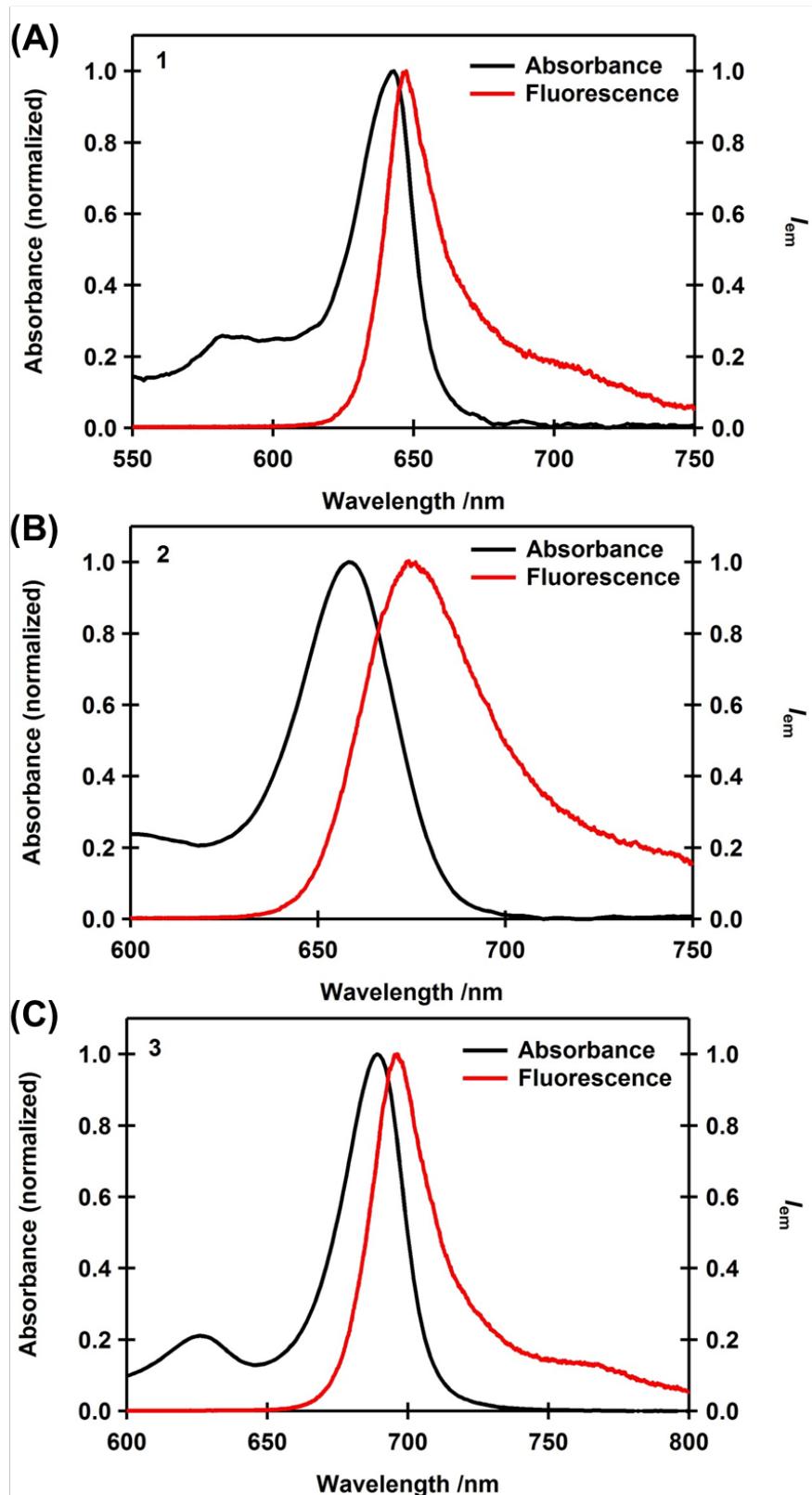
**Fig. S1.** Valence orbital energy diagrams and selected valence orbitals of **1**, **2**, and **3** from DFT (B3LYP) calculations.



**Fig. S2.** UV/vis spectral change of **2** (in benzene) upon irradiation of visible light (400-700 nm). (Concentration is  $1.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M.)



**Fig. S3.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectral change of **2** (in benzene- $d^6$ ) upon irradiation of visible light (400–700 nm) and heating. \*: peak of *t*-Bu. (Concentration is  $1.0 \times 10^{-3}$  M.)



**Fig. S4.** A normalized UV-vis absorption spectrum and a normalized fluorescence spectrum of (A) **1**, (B) **2**, and (C) **3** in dichloromethane at 293 K (excitation: 355 nm). (All concentrations are  $= 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M.)

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