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Redox Control of Molecular Motions in Bipyridinium Appended Calixarenes

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Fig. ESI 1 : HRMS spectrum of compound $6(PF_6)_4$

Calculated mass for $\mathbf{6}(PF_6)_4$: $C_{72}H_{88}F_{24}N_4O_4P_4$; Exact Mass: 1652,54 Calculated mass for $[\mathbf{6}(PF_6)_3]^+$: $C_{72}H_{88}F_{18}N_4O_4P_3$; Exact Mass: 1507,57 Calculated mass for $[\mathbf{6}(PF_6)_3]^{2+}$: $C_{72}H_{88}F_{12}N_4O_4P_2$; Exact Mass: 1362,61 Calculated mass for $[\mathbf{6}(PF_6)_3]^{3+}$: $C_{72}H_{88}F_6N_4O_4P$; Exact Mass: 1217,64



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Fig. ESI 2 : ¹H NMR spectrum of $6(PF_6)_4$ (300 MHz, DMSO, 298K)











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Fig. ESI 6 : LRMS spectrum of compound $5(PF_6)_4$

Calculated mass for $[5(PF_6)_4 : C_{70}H_{84}F_{24}N_4O_4P_4$; Exact Mass: 1624,51 Calculated mass for $[5(PF_6)_3]^+$: $C_{70}H_{84}F_{18}N_4O_4P_3$; Exact Mass: 1479,54 Calculated mass for $[5(PF_6)_3]^{2+}$: $C_{70}H_{84}F_{12}N_4O_4P_2$; Exact Mass: 1334,58 Calculated mass for $[5(PF_6)_3]^{3+}$: $C_{70}H_{84}F_6N_4O_4P$; Exact Mass: 1189,61



Fig. ESI 7 : HRMS spectrum of compound $6(PF_6)_4$

Calculated mass for $[5(PF_6)_3]^+$: $C_{70}H_{84}F_{18}N_4O_4P_3$; Exact Mass: 1479,54

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Fig. ESI 9 : ¹H NMR spectrum of $5(PF_6)_4$ (125 MHz, DMSO, 298K)

Fig. ESI 10 : ¹H NMR spectrum of **5**(PF₆)₄ (125 MHz, DMSO, 298K)



Fig. ESI 11 : ¹H NMR spectrum of $5(PF_6)_4$ (125 MHz, DMSO, 298K)



 $5(PF_6)_4$ and $6(PF_6)_4$ were characterized using stationary and non stationary electrochemical methods. Cyclic voltammetry was used to calculate potential values (ΔE_P , E_{pa} , E_{pc}) and to examine the reversibility of each redox processes. Voltammetry recorded at rotating disks was used to confirm that both successive reduction waves involve the same number of electrons.



Fig. ESI 12 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $5(PF_6)_4$ in CH₃CN (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by cyclic voltammetry at a stationary carbon working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E vs$ Ag/Ag⁺ (10^{-2} M), 298 K, $v = 0.1 \text{ V} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$).



Fig. ESI 13 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $5(PF_6)_4$ in CH₃CN (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by square wave voltammetry at a stationary carbon working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E$ vs Ag/Ag⁺ (10⁻² M), 298 K, $\Delta E = 25 \text{ mV}$, IncrE = 4 mV).



Fig. ESI 14 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $5(PF_6)_4$ in CH₃CN (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by voltammetry at a rotating disk working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E vs \text{ Ag/Ag}^+ (10^{-2} \text{ M}), 298 \text{ K}, v = 0.01 \text{ V} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$).



Fig. ESI 15 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $5(PF_6)_4$ in DMF (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by cyclic voltammetry at a stationary carbon working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E vs \text{ Ag/Ag}^+ (10^{-2} \text{ M}), 298 \text{ K}, v = 0.1 \text{ V} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$).



Fig. ESI 16 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $5(PF_6)_4$ in DMF (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by square wave voltammetry at a stationary carbon working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E$ vs Ag/Ag⁺ (10^{-2} M), 298 K, $\Delta E = 25$ mV, IncrE = 4mV).



Fig. ESI 17 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $5(PF_6)_4$ in DMF (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by voltammetry at a rotating disk working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E vs \text{ Ag/Ag}^+ (10^{-2} \text{ M}), 298 \text{ K}, v = 0.01 \text{ V} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$).



Fig. ESI 18 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $6(PF_6)_4$ in ACN (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by cyclic voltammetry at a stationary carbon working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E vs \text{ Ag/Ag}^+ (10^{-2} \text{ M}), 298 \text{ K}, v = 0.1 \text{ V} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$).



Fig. ESI 19 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $6(PF_6)_4$ in ACN (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by square wave voltammetry at a stationary carbon working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E$ vs Ag/Ag⁺ (10⁻² M), 298 K, $\Delta E = 25 \text{ mV}$, IncrE = 4 mV).



Fig. ESI 20 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $6(PF_6)_4$ in ACN (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by voltammetry at a rotating disk working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E vs \text{ Ag/Ag}^+ (10^{-2} \text{ M}), 298 \text{ K}, v = 0.01 \text{ V} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$).



Fig. ESI 21 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $6(PF_6)_4$ in DMF (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by cyclic voltammetry at a stationary carbon working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E vs \text{ Ag/Ag}^+$ (10^{-2} M), 298 K, $v = 0.1 \text{ V} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$).



Fig. ESI 22 : Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $6(PF_6)_4$ in DMF (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by square wave voltammetry at a stationary carbon working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E$ vs Ag/Ag⁺ (10⁻² M), 298 K, $\Delta E = 25 \text{ mV}$, IncrE = 4mV).



Fig. ESI 23 :Voltammetric curves of a 1 mM solution of $6(PF_6)_4$ in DMF (TBAP 0.1 M) recorded by voltammetry at a rotating disk working electrode ($\emptyset = 3 \text{ mm}, E vs \text{ Ag/Ag}^+ (10^{-2} \text{ M}), 298 \text{ K}, v = 0.01 \text{ V} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$).



Fig. ESI 24 : UV-Vis spectra recorded during the exhaustive one-electron reduction of DMV(PF6)2 using a platinum plate working electrode whose potential was fixed at $E_{ap} = -1$ V (10⁻⁵ M in DMF/TBAP 0.1 M, l = 1 cm, *E* vs Ag/Ag⁺).



Fig. ESI 25 : UV-Vis spectra recorded during the exhaustive two-electron reduction $6(PF_6)_4$ using a platinum plate working electrode whose potential was fixed at $E_{ap} = -1 \text{ V} (10^{-5} \text{ M in ACN/TBAP } 0.1 \text{ M}, 1 = 1 \text{ cm}, E \text{ vs Ag/Ag}^+).$



Fig. ESI 26 : UV-Vis spectra recorded during the exhaustive two-electron reduction $5(PF_6)_4$ using a platinum plate working electrode whose potential was fixed at $E_{ap} = -1$ V (10⁻⁵ M in ACN/TBAP 0.1 M, 1 = 1 cm, E vs Ag/Ag⁺).



Fig. ESI 27 : X-band ESR spectra of **DMV**^{+•} recorded at room temperature, 10^{-4} M in viologen subunits dissolved in DMF + TBAP (0.1 M) (Microwave Power = 20 mW, Frequency = 9.42 Gz, Mod. Amp. =0.099mT, Mod. Freq 100 KHz)



Fig. ESI 28 : X-band ESR spectra of $[6^{2+}]_{dim}$ recorded at room temperature, 10^{-4} M in viologen subunits dissolved in DMF + TBAP (0.1 M) (Microwave Power = 20 mW, Frequency = 9.42 Gz, Mod. Amp. =0.099mT, Mod. Freq 100 KHz)



Fig. ESI 29 : X-band ESR spectra of $[5^{2+}]_{dim}$ recorded at room temperature, 10^{-4} M in viologen subunits dissolved in DMF + TBAP (0.1 M) (Microwave Power = 20 mW, Frequency = 9.42 Gz, Mod. Amp. =0.099mT, Mod. Freq 100 KHz)

Fig. ESI 30 :Top and side views of the π -dimer complex found for 6^{4+} as a second, albeit less stable, minimum of the potential energy surface ($\Delta E \sim 20$ kcal/mol) (Calculated at the BLYP-D3/DZVP level)



