



Supplementary Materials: Synthesis of a Ru(II) Complex with a Naphthoquinone-Annelated Imidazole Ligand Exhibiting Proton-Responsive Redox and Luminescent Behavior

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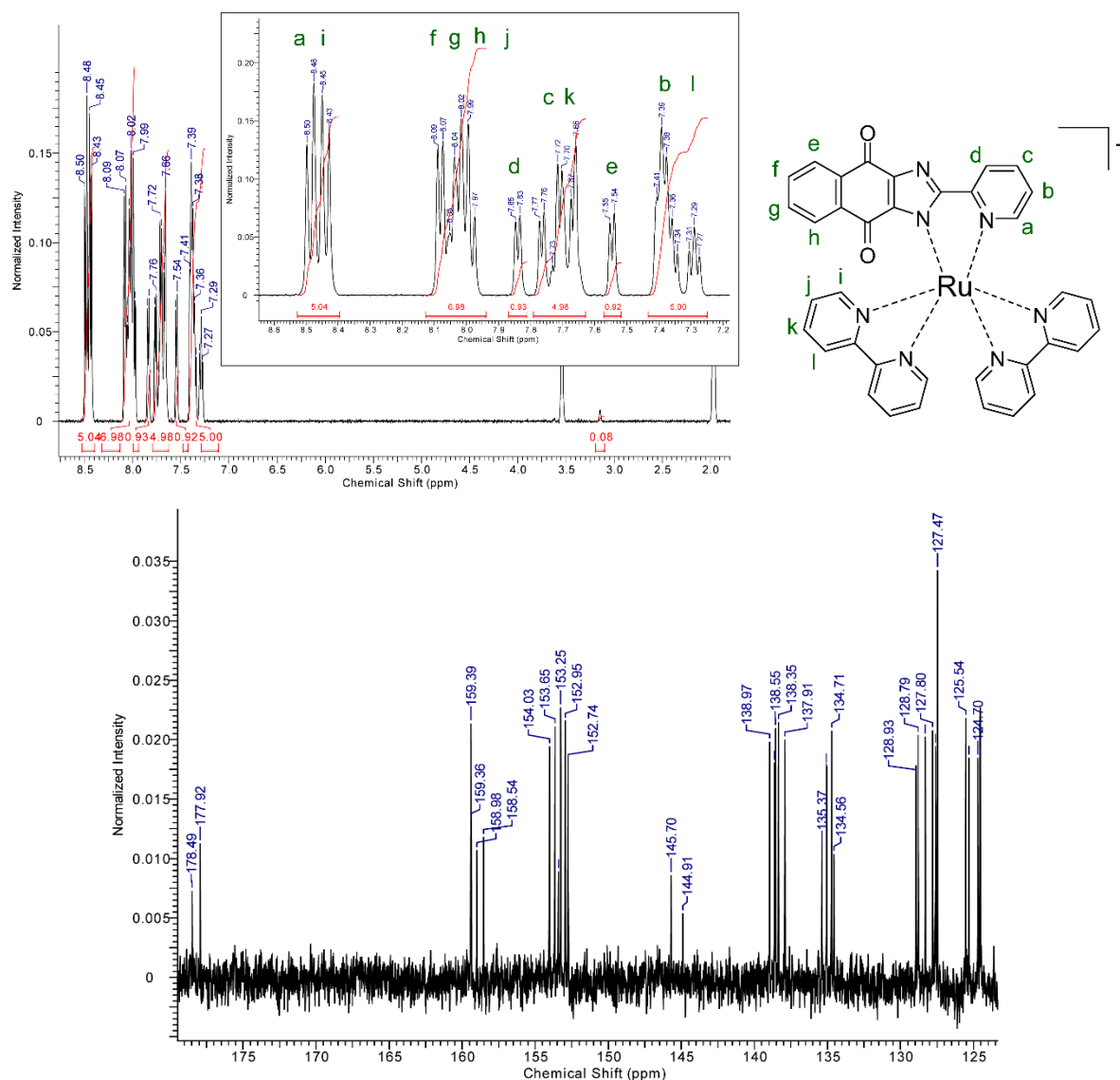


Figure S1. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **1** in $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}-d_3$.

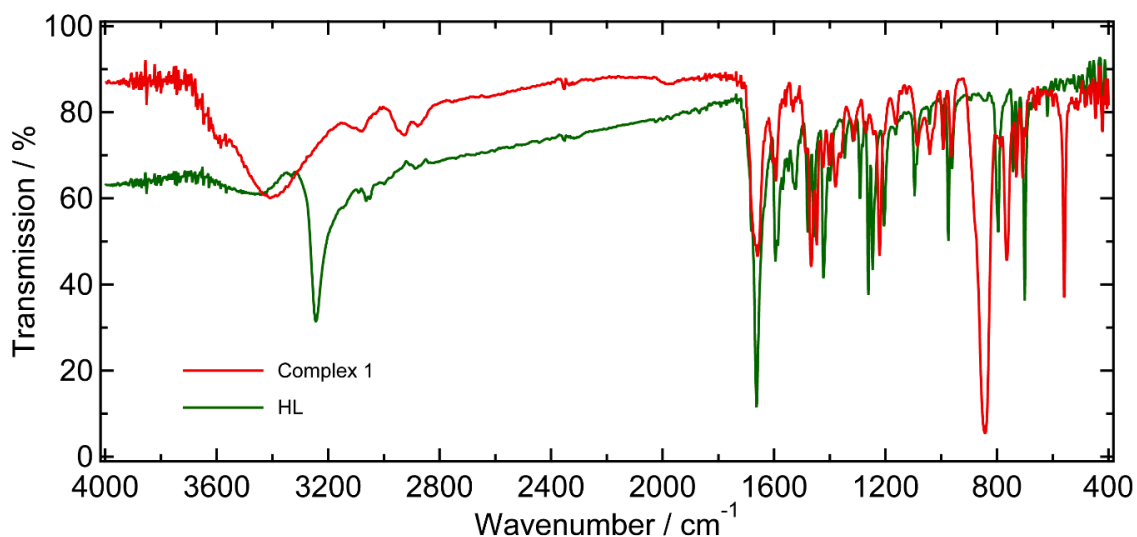


Figure S2. IR spectra of HL (green) and complex **1** (red).

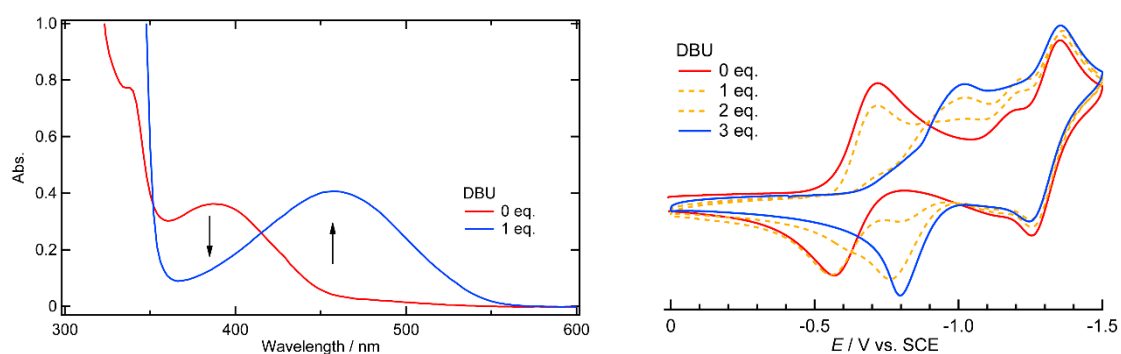


Figure S3. UV-Vis absorption spectra of HL and L^- in DMF (left) and cyclic voltammograms of HL and L^- in CH_2Cl_2 (left).

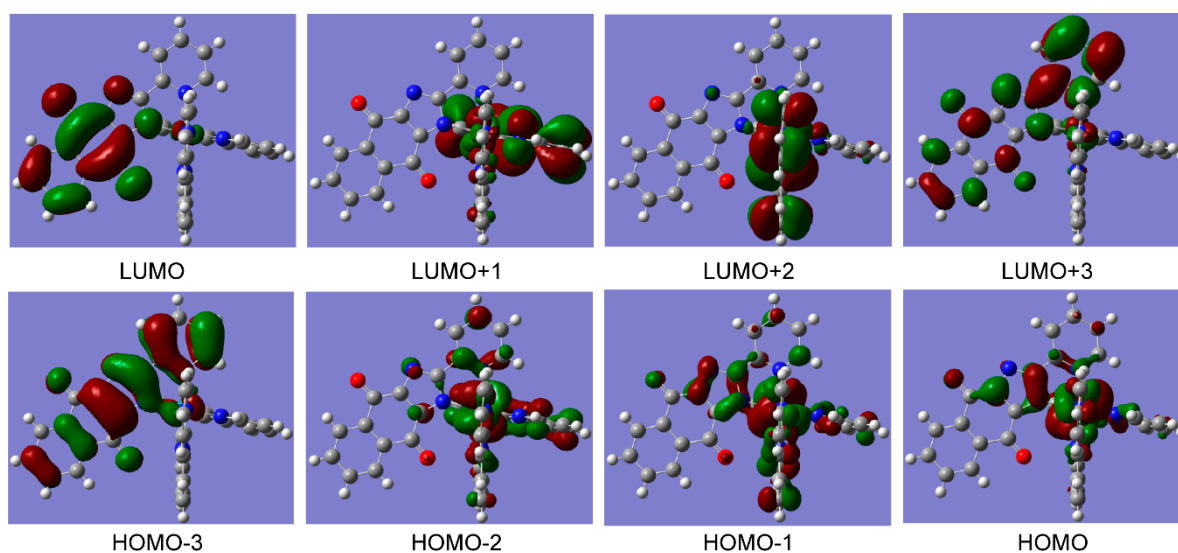


Figure S4. Calculated frontier orbitals for the optical transitions observed in **1**. Orbitals are shown with an iso-value of 0.06.

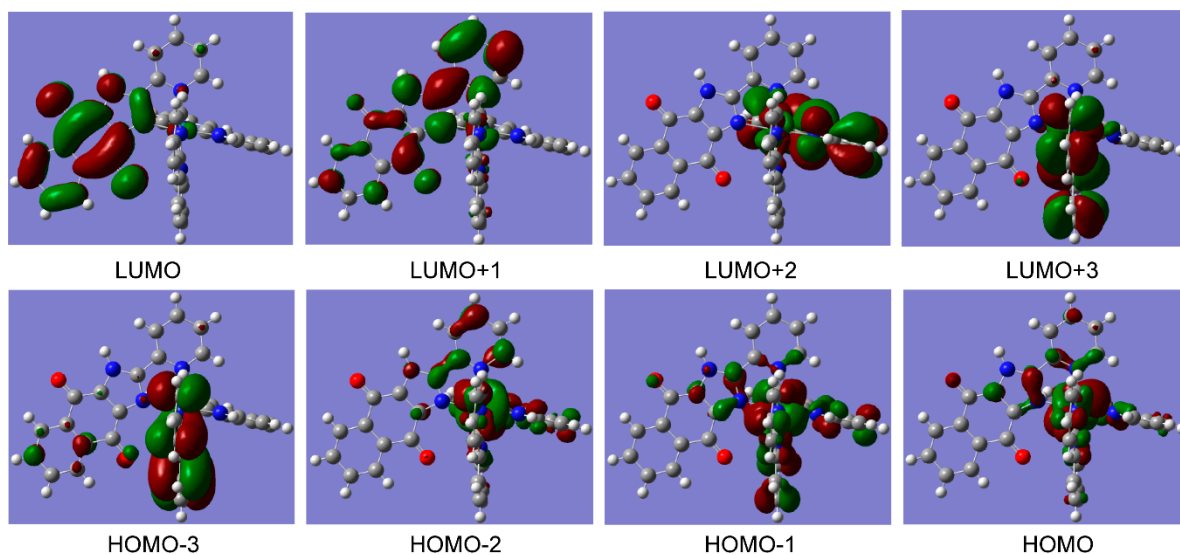


Figure S5 Calculated frontier orbitals for the optical transitions observed in $\text{H}^+\text{-1}$. Orbitals are shown with an iso-value of 0.06.

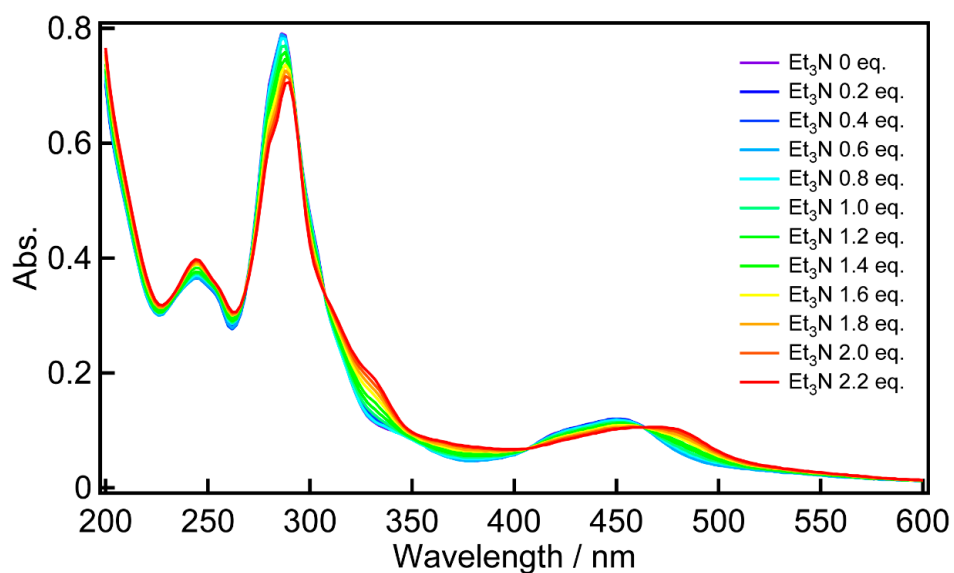


Figure S6 UV-Vis absorption spectral changes of complex **1** with Et_3N after addition of 1.6 eq. TfOH .

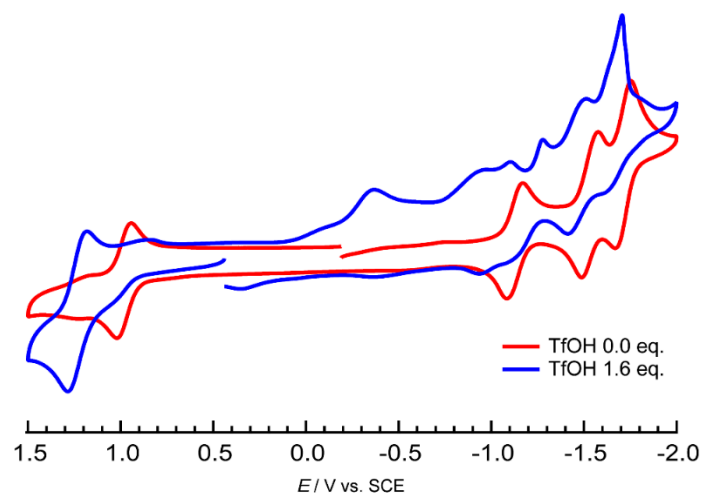


Figure S7 Cyclic voltammograms of complex **1** in acetonitrile before and after the addition of 1.6 eq. of TfOH .

Table S1. Main TD-DFT calculated transition of **1** compared with experimental data.

Main contributing excitation	Transition wavelength (nm)	Oscillator strength	Exp. Transition Wavelength (nm)	
HOMO-2 → LUMO	529.28	0.0419	478	MLCT Ru/L ⁻
HOMO-1 → LUMO				MLCT Ru/L ⁻
HOMO → LUMO				MLCT Ru/L ⁻
HOMO-2 → LUMO+1	525.73	0.0477	478	MLCT Ru/L ⁻
HOMO-2 → LUMO+2				MLCT Ru/ L ⁻
HOMO-2 → LUMO+1	434.32	0.0659	450 sh	MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-2 → LUMO+2				MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO → LUMO+3				MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-2 → LUMO+1	428.01	0.0814	450 sh	MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-2 → LUMO+2				MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-1 → LUMO+1				MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-1 → LUMO+2				MLCT Ru/bpy

Table S2. Main TD-DFT calculated transition of H⁺-**1** compared with experimental data.

Main contributing excitation	Transition wavelength (nm)	Oscillator strength	Exp. Transition Wavelength (nm)	
HOMO-2 → LUMO	618.90	0.0577	450	MLCT Ru/HL
HOMO-1 → LUMO				MLCT Ru/HL
HOMO → LUMO				MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-2 → LUMO+1	437.37	0.1160	420 sh	MLCT Ru/HL
HOMO-2 → LUMO+2				MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-1 → LUMO+1				MLCT Ru/HL
HOMO-1 → LUMO+3				MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-2 → LUMO+2	404.02	0.1399	420 sh	MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-2 → LUMO+3				MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-1 → LUMO+2				MLCT Ru/bpy
HOMO-1 → LUMO+3				MLCT Ru/bpy

Table S3. Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized 1.

Atom	Coordinates in Å		
	X	Y	Z
Ru	1.043811	0.032108	0.156844
N	1.431936	1.954103	0.846293
N	-0.883348	0.762074	0.425296
N	-2.131872	2.591533	0.988671
N	0.9052	-0.814998	2.009796
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N	2.977999	-0.47849	-0.287126
N	1.237523	0.815902	-1.726633
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O	-5.036776	2.708934	0.591073
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C	2.819498	3.825193	1.365032
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H	1.809755	5.474313	2.015925
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H	-0.312893	4.502082	1.847015
C	0.34751	2.708354	1.155386
C	-0.925545	2.047097	0.916324
C	-2.196053	0.479152	0.170898
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C	-4.28945	-0.633924	-0.612691
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Table S4 Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized H⁺-1.

Atom	Coordinates in Å		
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Ru	1.050209	0.029731	0.154466
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