

Supporting Information

Exohedral Cuprofullerene: Sequentially Expanding Metal Olefin Up to a C₆₀@Cu₂₄ Rhombicuboctahedron

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Section 1: Experimental Section

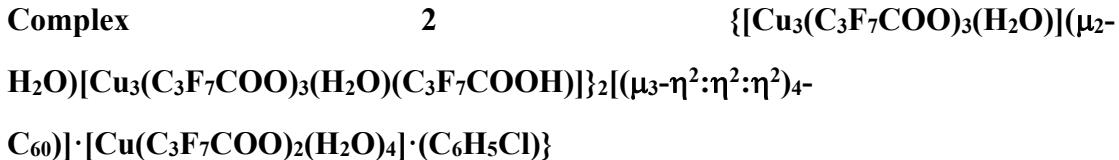
1.1 Materials and Physical Measurements

Commercially available chemicals were purchased and used without further purification. C₆₀ (99.5%) were purchased from Xiamen Funano New Material Technology Company LTD. Single crystal X-ray data collection for the material was performed on a Rigaku OD (Enhance Cu X-ray Source, K α , $\lambda = 1.54184 \text{ \AA}$) with CCD Plate (XtaLAB Pro: Kappa single) under 100 K. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) experiment was performed on a MiniFlex 600 X-ray diffractometer of Rigaku Corporation. Infrared spectrum (IR) was obtained in KBr pellet on a Nicolet Avatar 360 FTIR spectrometer in the range of 4000–500 cm⁻¹; abbreviations used for the IR bands are: w = weak, m = medium, s = strong, vs = very strong. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed on a TA Instruments Q50 Thermogravimetric Analyzer under a nitrogen flow of 40 mL·min⁻¹ at a heating rate of 10 °C·min⁻¹. The diffuse reflectance solid-state UV-Vis spectra of the complexes were obtained on a Lambda950 UV/Vis/NIR spectrophotometer of Perkin Elmer using pure powder sample and pure BaSO₄ as background. The UV-Vis absorption of C₆₀ in toluene solution (10⁻⁴ mol·L⁻¹) was also obtained on the Lambda950 UV/Vis/NIR spectrophotometer of Perkin Elmer.

In all cases, the pure crystalline sample was selected mechanically under a microscope with 40-time amplification and used for measurements.

1.2 Synthesis

Complex 1 [Cu₃(C₃F₇COO)₃(H₂O)₃]₂[(μ_3 - η^2 : η^2 : η^2)₂-C₆₀]: A mixture of Cu₂O (10.0 mg, 0.07 mmol), heptafluorobutyric acid (C₃F₇COOH, 15.0 mg, 0.07 mmol) and C₆₀-saturated chlorobenzene solution (1.0 mL, 7.0 mg/mL, 0.0097 mmol) was sealed in a Pyrex tube with an 8.0 mm inner diameter (6.0 mL volume). Then the tube was heated at 180 °C in a programmable oven for 72 h and cooled to room temperature at the rate of -5 °C·h⁻¹. Black block crystals were separated mechanically, washed with a little chlorobenzene to remove the residual C₆₀ solid, and dried in air. Yield: 8.4 mg, 34.7% based on C₆₀. IR data (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3406 vs, 1638 vs, 1407 m, 1336 m, 1221 s, 1159 m, 1119 m, 1084 w, 968 w, 938 w, 818 w, 716 w, 632 s, 521 s.



A mixture of Cu₂O (10.0 mg, 0.07 mmol), heptafluorobutyric acid (C₃F₇COOH, 30.0 mg, 0.14 mmol) and C₆₀-saturated chlorobenzene solution (1.0 mL, 7.0 mg/mL, 0.0097 mmol) was sealed in a Pyrex tube with an 8.0 mm inner diameter (6.0 mL volume). Then the tube was heated at 180 °C in a programmable oven for 72 h and cooled to room temperature at the rate of -5 °C·h⁻¹. Dark-red needle crystals were separated mechanically, washed with a little chlorobenzene to remove the residual C₆₀ solid, and dried in air. Yield: 19.9 mg, 38.0% based on C₆₀. IR data (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3402 vs, 1678 vs, 1638 vs, 1412 w, 1336 m, 1279 m, 1222 s, 1159 m, 1119 m, 1084 w, 974 w, 938 w, 818 w, 742 s, 720 s, 632 w, 526 m.



A mixture of Cu₂O (10.0 mg, 0.07 mmol), hexafluoroglutaric acid (HOOCC₃F₆COOH, 16.8 mg, 0.07 mmol) and C₆₀-saturated toluene solution (1.0 mL, 3.0 mg/mL, 0.0042 mmol) was sealed in a Pyrex tube with an 8.0 mm inner diameter (6.0 mL volume). Then the tube was heated at 180 °C in a programmable oven for 72 h and cooled to room temperature at the rate of -5 °C·h⁻¹. Red block crystals were separated mechanically, washed with a little toluene to remove the residual C₆₀ solid, and dried in N₂. Yield: 3.2 mg, 12.8% based on C₆₀. IR data (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3522 s, 1689 vs, 1400 s, 1273 w, 1255 w, 1155 vs, 1046 w, 945 m, 823 m, 744 w, 516 w.

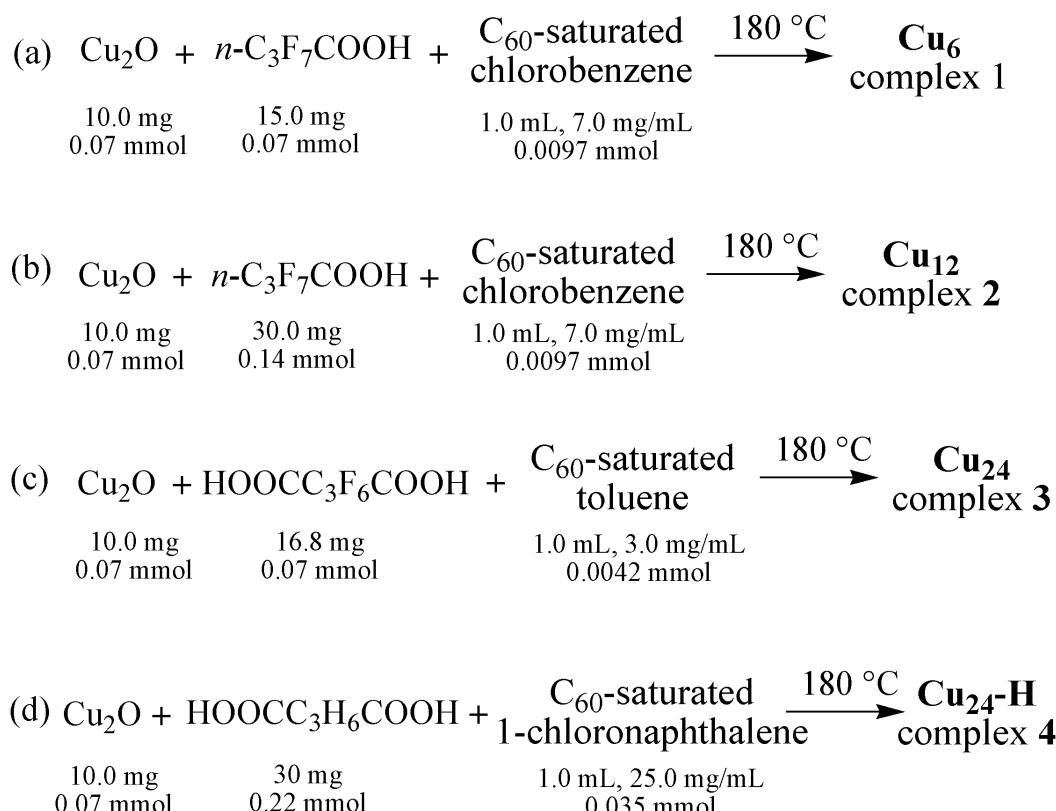


A mixture of Cu₂O (10.0 mg, 0.07 mmol), glutaric acid (HOOCC₃H₆COOH, 30 mg, 0.22 mmol) and C₆₀ solution of 1-chloronaphthalene (1.0 mL, 25.0 mg/mL, 0.035 mmol) was sealed in a Pyrex tube with an 8.0 mm inner diameter (6.0 mL volume). Then the tube was heated at 180 °C in a programmable oven for 72 h and cooled to room temperature at the rate of -5 °C·h⁻¹. Red block crystals were separated mechanically, washed with a little toluene to remove the residual C₆₀ solid, and dried

in N₂. Yield: 2.0 mg, 1% based on C₆₀. IR data (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3441 vs, 2932 s, 1673 w, 1563 vs, 1412 vs, 1346 w, 1310 m, 1058 m, 570 w, 526 w.

Note that: The red crystal samples of the complex **3** and **4** will turn into dark-red and even dark color after tens of minutes in air, losing their crystalline. So immediate measurements are necessary to ensure their crystalline purity.

Caution! In the solvothermal synthesis, the reaction solution should not exceed half the volume of the glass tube to avoid overloading. Be careful to avoid burning and cutting yourself when flame-sealing and opening the glass tubes.



Scheme S1. Synthesis reactions of the cuprofullerene complexes **1-4**.

Section 2: Crystal Data and Additional Structural Description

2.1 Crystal Structural Determination

Data were processed with the CrysAlisPro 1.171.39.7e (Rigaku Oxford Diffraction, 2015). Structures were solved by direct methods (SHELXTL-97) and refined on F^2 using full-matrix last-squares (SHELXTL-97).^[1] All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic thermal parameters, and all hydrogen atoms were included in calculated positions and refined with isotropic thermal parameters riding on those of the parent atoms. Crystal data and structure refinement for the adduct are given in Table S1. Selected bond lengths and angles are summarized in Tables S2. CCDC nos. 1967677–1967680 contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper.

2.1 Crystal Data

Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinements for the complexes measured at 100 K.

	1	2	3	4
Chemical formula	C ₈₄ H ₁₂ Cu ₆ F ₄₂ O ₁₈	C ₁₃₇ H ₃₂ Cl ₂ Cu ₁₃ F ₁₁₃ O ₄₂	C ₁₄₈ H ₉₂ Cu ₂₄ F ₇₂ O ₇₈	C ₂₁₀ H ₁₆₂ Cl ₆ Cu ₂₄ O ₇₂
Formula weight	2488.18	5393.54	6011.17	5575.05
Crystal system	trigonal	triclinic	triclinic	trigonal
Space group	R-3m	P-1	P-1	R-3
a (Å)	14.2233(4)	13.5207(2)	17.7170(3)	25.6664(6)
b (Å)	14.2233(4)	18.2853(3)	17.7627(6)	25.6664(6)
c (Å)	37.3147(2)	18.8367(2)	17.8073(4)	24.6267(9)
α (deg)	90	107.6850(10)	63.110(3)	90
β (deg)	90	108.6850(10)	88.8395(17)	90
γ (deg)	120	95.6440(10)	86.946(2)	120
V (Å ³)	6537.54(8)	4103.09(11)	4990.9(2)	14049.7(8)
Z	3	1	1	3
D _{calc} (gcm ⁻³)	1.896	2.183	2.000	1.977
μ (mm ⁻¹)	3.064	4.021	4.092	4.475
Reflections collected	17729	45555	59746	15603
Unique reflections	1675	16148	19675	6122
R _{int}	0.0290	0.0414	0.0333	0.0337
GOF	1.115	1.046	1.055	1.070
R ₁ ^a [I > 2σ(I)]	0.1171	0.0898	0.0554	0.0547
wR ₂ ^b [I > 2σ(I)]	0.3200	0.2558	0.1647	0.1495
R ₁ ^a [all refl.]	0.1183	0.0957	0.0623	0.0598
wR ₂ ^b [all refl.]	0.3211	0.2628	0.1700	0.1539

$$^a R_1 = \sum(|F_o| - |F_c|)/\sum|F_o|. \quad ^b wR_2 = [\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / \sum w(F_o^2)]^{1/2}.$$

Table S2. Selected bond lengths (\AA) and bond angles ($^\circ$) of the coordination bonds and CC bond lengths (\AA) of C_{60} moiety for the complex **1** measured at 100 K.

bond lengths			
Cu-O(carboxylate)		Cu-O(water)	
Cu1-O1	1.9976(1)	Cu1-O1W	2.1642(9)
Cu-C			
Cu1-C1		2.0180(2)	
Cu-Cu			
Cu-Cu		3.3526(1)	
C-C (coordinated hexagons)			
C=C (6, 6)		C-C (6, 5)	
C1-C1#1	1.4310(8)	C1-C1#2	1.4835(5)
C-C (other)			
(6, 6)			
C2-C3	1.3943(3)	C4-C5	1.3903(1)
C6-C6#3	1.3721(1)		
(6, 5)			
C1-C2	1.4643(5)	C2-C4	1.4468(5)
C3-C3#1	1.4448(7)	C5-C6#2	1.4525(8)
C3-C6#3	1.4536(1)	C5-C6	1.4528(7)
bond angles			
O1#1-Cu1-O1	94.7(3)	O1-Cu1-C1	151.7(2)
O1-Cu1-O1W	91.9(2)	C1-Cu1-O1W	98.6(2)
O1-Cu1-C1#1	111.1(2)	C1-Cu1-C1#1	41.5(3)
Symmetry codes			
#1 1-y, 1-x, +z	#2 +x, +x-y, +z	#3 1/3-y+x, 2/3-y, 2/3-z	

Table S3. Selected bond lengths (\AA) and bond angles ($^\circ$) of the coordination bonds and CC bond lengths (\AA) of C_{60} moiety for the complex **2** measured at 100 K.

bond lengths			
Cu-O(carboxylate)			
Cu1-O1	1.9805(2)	Cu4-O7	1.9853(2)
Cu1-O2	1.9254(2)	Cu4-O12	1.9639(2)
Cu2-O3	2.0126(2)	Cu5-O8	2.0050(2)
Cu2-O4	1.9917(2)	Cu5-O9	1.9734(2)
Cu3-O5	1.9790(2)	Cu6-O10	1.9696(2)
Cu3-O6	1.9754(2)	Cu6-O11	1.9708(2)

Cu-O(water)			
Cu2-O1W	2.2152(2)	Cu4-O2W	2.2498(2)
Cu3-O2W	2.2198(2)	Cu5-O3W	2.2115(2)
Cu-O(carboxylic acid)		Cu6-O13	2.2939(2)
Cu-C			
Cu1-C1	1.9931(2)	Cu4-C7	2.0004(2)
Cu1-C2	2.0404(2)	Cu4-C8	2.0304(2)
Cu2-C3	1.9908(2)	Cu5-C9	2.0148(2)
Cu2-C4	2.0478(2)	Cu5-C10	2.0267(2)
Cu3-C5	2.0229(2)	Cu6-C11	2.0196(2)
Cu3-C6	2.0185(2)	Cu6-C12	1.9813(2)
Cu-Cu (intra Cu ₃ units)			
Cu1-Cu2	3.3134(3)	Cu4-Cu5	3.2737(3)
Cu1-Cu3	3.2560(3)	Cu5-Cu6	3.4079(4)
Cu2-Cu3	3.3748(3)	Cu4-Cu6	3.2165(3)
Cu-Cu (inter Cu ₃ units)			
Cu3-Cu4	3.5020(4)		
C-C (coordinated hexagons)			
(6,6)			
C1-C2	1.4427(1)	C3-C4	1.4361(1)
C5-C6	1.4480(1)	C7-C8	1.4467(1)
C9-C10	1.4363(1)	C10-C11	1.4897(1)
(6,5)			
C1-C6	1.4868(1)	C2-C3	1.4885(1)
C4-C5	1.4945(1)	C7-C12	1.4942(1)
C8-C9	1.4754(1)	C11-C12	1.4389(1)
C-C (other)			
(6,6)			
C13-C20#1	1.3921(1)	C19-C28#1	1.3821(1)
C14-C23#1	1.3980(1)	C21-C22	1.3876(1)
C15-C16	1.3878(1)	C25-C26	1.3960(1)
C17-C24#1	1.3930(1)	C29-C30	1.3871(1)
C18-C27#1	1.3969(1)		
(6,5)			
C1-C13	1.4549(1)	C14-C15	1.4350(1)
C2-C28	1.4456(1)	C16-C17	1.4443(1)
C3-C26	1.4625(1)	C17-C18	1.4345(1)
C5-C8	1.4504(1)	C19-C20	1.4457(1)
C4-C29	1.4588(1)	C20-C21	1.4459(7)

C6-C15	1.4627(1)	C22-C23	1.4366(1)
C7-C16	1.4629(1)	C22-C30	1.4519(1)
C9-C29	1.4549(1)	C23-C24	1.4380(1)
C10-C21	1.4594(1)	C24-C25	1.4447(1)
C11-C19	1.4575(1)	C25-C30	1.4509(1)
C12-C18	1.4554(1)	C26-C27	1.4229(1)
C13-C14	1.4362(1)	C27-C28	1.4571(1)
bond angles			
O2-Cu1-O1	102.4(2)	O7-Cu4-C7	152.83(19)
O2-Cu1-C2	108.9(2)	O12-Cu4-O2W	91.67(19)
O2-Cu1-C1	150.7(2)	O12-Cu4-O7	93.27(18)
O1-Cu1-C2	148.4(2)	O12-Cu4-C8	154.3(2)
O1-Cu1-C1	106.5(2)	O12-Cu4-C7	112.4(2)
C1-Cu1-C2	41.9(2)	C8-Cu4-O2W	95.44(19)
O3-Cu2-O1W	94.84(16)	C7-Cu4-O2W	100.40(19)
O3-Cu2-C4	148.37(19)	C7-Cu4-C8	42.06(19)
O4-Cu2-O3	92.00(18)	O8-Cu5-O3W	90.15(17)
O4-Cu2-O1W	87.43(18)	O8-Cu5-C9	103.34(19)
O4-Cu2-C4	116.39(19)	O8-Cu5-C10	144.97(19)
C3-Cu2-O3	107.34(19)	O9-Cu5-O8	95.49(18)
C3-Cu2-O1W	105.62(19)	O9-Cu5-O3W	93.88(18)
C3-Cu2-O4	155.28(19)	O9-Cu5-C9	152.90(19)
C3-Cu2-C4	41.6(2)	O9-Cu5-C10	117.12(19)
C4-Cu2-O1W	99.81(18)	C9-Cu5-O3W	105.25(18)
O5-Cu3-O2W	89.05(18)	C9-Cu5-C10	41.6(2)
O5-Cu3-C6	154.6(2)	C10-Cu5-O3W	99.47(19)
O5-Cu3-C5	114.64(19)	O10-Cu6-O11	92.7(2)
O6-Cu3-O2W	91.79(19)	O10-Cu6-O13	87.69(19)
O6-Cu3-O5	91.90(19)	O10-Cu6-C11	114.5(2)
O6-Cu3-C6	110.3(2)	O10-Cu6-C12	155.0(2)
O6-Cu3-C5	152.2(2)	O11-Cu6-O13	87.6(2)
C6-Cu3-O2W	101.95(19)	O11-Cu6-C11	151.2(2)
C6-Cu3-C5	42.0(2)	O11-Cu6-C12	109.3(2)
C5-Cu3-O2W	96.5(2)	C11-Cu6-O13	102.1(2)
O7-Cu4-O2W	87.2(2)	C12-Cu6-O13	104.4(2)
O7-Cu4-C8	111.6(2)	C12-Cu6-C11	42.2(2)
Symmetry codes			
#1 2-x, 1-y, 1-z; #2 -1-x, 1-y, -z			

Table S4. Selected bond lengths (\AA) and bond angles ($^\circ$) of the coordination bonds and CC bond lengths (\AA) of C_{60} moiety for the complexes **3** measured at 100 K.

bond lengths			
Cu-O(carboxylate)			
Cu1-O1	1.9520(5)	Cu7-O16	1.9657(5)
Cu1-O19#1	1.9819(5)	Cu7-O4#1	1.9813(5)
Cu2-O2	1.9561(5)	Cu8-O12	1.9858(5)
Cu2-O5	1.9439(5)	Cu8-O17	1.9716(5)
Cu3-O7	1.9878(5)	Cu9-O11	1.9717(4)
Cu3-O9	1.9610(5)	Cu9-O21	1.9629(5)
Cu4-O8	1.9761(5)	Cu10-O18	1.9680(5)
Cu4-O13	1.9696(5)	Cu10-O22	1.9578(5)
Cu5-O10	1.9736(5)	Cu11-O6#1	1.9941(5)
Cu5-O14	1.9613(5)	Cu11-O20	1.9450(5)
Cu6-O15	1.9605(5)	Cu12-O3	1.9492(5)
Cu6-O24#1	1.9817(5)	Cu12-O23	1.9772(5)
Cu-O(water)			
Cu1-O4W#1	2.2469(6)	Cu7-O4W	2.2332(5)
Cu2-O1W	2.3103(6)	Cu8-O3W	2.2070(5)
Cu3-O1W	2.2707(6)	Cu9-O5W	2.2530(6)
Cu4-O2W	2.2237(5)	Cu10-O6W	2.2554(6)
Cu5-O3W	2.2398(6)	Cu11-O6W	2.2381(5)
Cu6-O2W	2.2330(5)	Cu12-O5W	2.2383(5)
Cu-C			
Cu1-C1	1.9821(5)	Cu7-C13	2.0051(5)
Cu1-C2	2.0547(5)	Cu7-C14	2.0346(5)
Cu2-C3	1.9882(5)	Cu8-C15	2.0246(5)
Cu2-C4	2.0375(5)	Cu8-C16	2.0304(5)
Cu3-C5	1.9994(5)	Cu9-C17	2.0103(5)
Cu3-C6	2.0239(5)	Cu9-C18	2.0379(5)
Cu4-C7	2.0231(5)	Cu10-C19	2.0135(5)
Cu4-C8	2.0157(5)	Cu10-C20	2.0116(5)
Cu5-C9	2.0011(5)	Cu11-C21	2.0588(5)
Cu5-C10	2.0244(5)	Cu11-C22	1.9938(5)
Cu6-C11	2.0080(5)	Cu12-C23	2.0222(5)
Cu6-C12	2.0283(5)	Cu12-C24	1.9991(5)

Cu-Cu (intra Cu ₃ units)			
Cu1-Cu11	3.3346(8)	Cu3-Cu5	3.3905(9)
Cu2-Cu1	3.3383(8)	Cu5-Cu4	3.3256(8)
Cu2-Cu11	3.2809(8)	Cu3-Cu4	3.3102(8)
Cu8-Cu9	3.2930(8)	Cu7-Cu12	3.3060(8)
Cu8-Cu10	3.3436(8)	Cu12-Cu6	3.2870(8)
Cu9-Cu10	3.3758(9)	Cu7-Cu6	3.4031(9)
Cu-Cu (inter Cu ₃ units)			
Cu5-Cu8	3.3973(9)	Cu4-Cu6	3.3807(9)
Cu12-Cu9	3.4192(9)	Cu7-Cu1	3.4019(9)
Cu2-Cu3	3.4305(9)	Cu10-Cu11	3.4359(9)
C-C(in coordinated hexagons)			
(6, 6)			
C1-C2	1.4363(3)	C3-C4	1.4315(3)
C5-C6	1.4297(3)	C7-C8	1.4297(3)
C9-C10	1.4323(3)	C11-C12	1.4379(3)
C13-C14	1.4276(3)	C15-C16	1.4249(3)
C17-C18	1.4375(3)	C19-C20	1.4406(3)
C21-C22	1.4318(3)	C23-C24	1.4320(3)
(6, 5)			
C1-C21#1	1.4714(3)	C2-C3	1.4782(3)
C4-C22#1	1.4778(3)	C5-C7	1.4811(3)
C6-C10	1.4840(3)	C8-C9	1.4782(3)
C11-C24#1	1.4753(3)	C12-C14	1.4744(3)
C13-C23#1	1.4841(3)	C15-C17	1.4738(3)
C16-C20	1.4799(3)	C18-C19	1.4774(3)
C-C(in other)			
(6, 6)			
C25-C26	1.3807(3)	C29-C30	1.3782(3)
C27-C28	1.3803(3)		
(6, 5)			
C23-C25	1.4550(3)	C3-C25	1.4530(3)
C17-C26	1.4539(3)	C6-C26	1.4558(3)
C14-C27	1.4531(3)	C9-C27	1.4524(3)
C16-C28	1.4600(3)	C1-C28#1	1.4549(3)
C22-C29	1.4497(3)	C7-C29#1	1.4541(3)

C19-C30	1.4506(3)	C11-C30#1	1.4589(3)
C10-C15	1.4737(3)	C8-C12	1.4731(3)
C2-C13#1	1.4598(3)	C20-C21	1.4595(3)
C4-C5	1.4597(3)	C18-C24	1.4670(3)
bond angles			
O1-Cu1-O4W#1	88.60(14)	O4#1-Cu7-O4W	88.64(14)
O1-Cu1-O19#1	101.57(16)	O4#1-Cu7-C13	106.22(16)
O1-Cu1-C1	152.71(17)	O4#1-Cu7-C14	147.41(16)
O1-Cu1-C2	112.23(16)	O16-Cu7-O4#1	99.90(15)
O19#1-Cu1-O4W#1	93.24(14)	O16-Cu7-O4W	93.50(14)
O19#1-Cu1-C1	103.29(17)	O16-Cu7-C13	151.16(16)
O19#1-Cu1-C2	144.69(17)	O16-Cu7-C14	111.16(16)
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C2-Cu1-O4W#1	97.39(15)	C14-Cu7-O4W	98.77(15)
O2-Cu2-O1W	93.49(14)	O12-Cu8-O3W	86.73(14)
O2-Cu2-C3	103.52(17)	O12-Cu8-C15	107.34(16)
O2-Cu2-C4	144.81(17)	O12-Cu8-C16	148.16(17)
O5-Cu2-O1W	87.13(15)	O17-Cu8-O3W	91.57(15)
O5-Cu2-O2	101.29(17)	O17-Cu8-O12	102.45(16)
O5-Cu2-C3	153.13(17)	O17-Cu8-C15	148.78(17)
O5-Cu2-C4	112.34(16)	O17-Cu8-C16	108.12(17)
C3-Cu2-O1W	101.43(15)	C15-Cu8-O3W	99.18(15)
C3-Cu2-C4	41.63(16)	C15-Cu8-C16	41.15(17)
C4-Cu2-O1W	98.10(15)	C16-Cu8-O3W	100.92(15)
O7-Cu3-O1W	86.49(13)	O11-Cu9-O5W	88.82(15)
O7-Cu3-C5	107.94(16)	O11-Cu9-C17	104.53(17)
O7-Cu3-C6	149.29(16)	O11-Cu9-C18	146.12(17)
O9-Cu3-O1W	90.43(14)	O21-Cu9-O5W	86.14(14)
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O9-Cu3-C5	149.32(17)	O21-Cu9-C17	150.04(16)
O9-Cu3-C6	108.25(16)	O21-Cu9-C18	109.29(16)
C5-Cu3-O1W	100.24(15)	C17-Cu9-O5W	102.78(15)
C5-Cu3-C6	41.62(17)	C17-Cu9-C18	41.59(16)

C6-Cu3-O1W	101.17(14)	C18-Cu9-O5W	98.27(15)
O8-Cu4-O2W	88.74(13)	O18-Cu10-O6W	85.02(15)
O8-Cu4-C7	107.19(16)	O18-Cu10-C19	147.76(17)
O8-Cu4-C8	148.49(16)	O18-Cu10-C20	105.97(17)
O13-Cu4-O2W	89.16(14)	O22-Cu10-O6W	91.99(15)
O13-Cu4-O8	101.89(15)	O22-Cu10-O18	103.85(18)
O13-Cu4-C7	149.48(16)	O22-Cu10-C19	107.52(18)
O13-Cu4-C8	108.65(16)	O22-Cu10-C20	148.95(18)
C7-Cu4-O2W	100.41(15)	C19-Cu10-O6W	101.01(15)
C8-Cu4-O2W	99.14(14)	C20-Cu10-O6W	98.97(15)
C8-Cu4-C7	41.47(17)	C20-Cu10-C19	41.94(16)
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O10-Cu5-C9	150.09(17)	O6#1-Cu11-C21	144.54(17)
O10-Cu5-C10	109.64(16)	O20-Cu11-O6#1	102.23(17)
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O24#1-Cu6-C12	152.47(17)	O23-Cu12-C24	107.49(16)
C11-Cu6-O2W	101.23(15)	C23-Cu12-O5W	101.24(14)
C11-Cu6-C12	41.75(17)	C24-Cu12-O5W	99.37(14)
C12-Cu6-O2W	98.97(14)	C24-Cu12-C23	41.72(17)
Symmetry codes			
#1 1-x,1-y,1-z			

Table S5. Selected bond lengths (\AA) and bond angles ($^\circ$) of the coordination bonds and CC bond lengths (\AA) of C_{60} moiety for the complexes **4** measured at 100 K.

bond lengths			
Cu-O(carboxylate)			
Cu1-O1	1.9459(5)	Cu3-O10	1.9254(5)
Cu1-O2#1	1.9813(5)	Cu3-O12#2	1.9505(5)
Cu2-O3	1.9495(5)	Cu4-O4#3	1.9972(5)
Cu2-O9	1.9498(5)	Cu4-O11	1.9336(5)
Cu-O(carboxylic acid)			
Cu1-O5	2.3285(6)	Cu3-O7#2	2.4093(6)
Cu2-O5	2.3979(6)	Cu4-O7#2	2.3495(6)
Cu-C			
Cu1-C1	2.0026(5)	Cu3-C5	2.0044(5)
Cu1-C2	2.0288(5)	Cu3-C6	2.0171(5)
Cu2-C3	2.0193(5)	Cu4-C7	2.0423(5)
Cu2-C4	2.0013(5)	Cu4-C8	2.0186(5)
Cu-Cu (intra Cu_3 units)			
Cu1-Cu1#1	3.2162(8)	Cu2-Cu3	3.2272(8)
Cu2-Cu4	3.2414(8)	Cu3-Cu4	3.2511(8)
Cu-Cu (inter Cu_3 units)			
Cu2-Cu1	3.5430(9)	Cu3-Cu4	3.5098(9)
C-C (coordinated hexagons)			
$\text{C}=\text{C}(6, 6)$		$\text{C}-\text{C}(6, 6)$	
C1-C2	1.4333(3)	C1-C2#1	1.4811(4)
C3-C4	1.4310(3)	C3-C8#2	1.4772(4)
C5-C6	1.4336(3)	C4-C6	1.4781(4)
C7-C8	1.4324(3)	C5-C7#2	1.4850(4)
C-C(other)			
$(6, 6)$			
C9-C10	1.3787(3)		
$(6, 5)$			
C4-C9	1.4569(4)	C5-C9#2	1.4463(3)
C1-C10	1.4528(3)	C8-C10#2	1.4595(4)
C2-C3	1.4735(4)	C6-C7	1.4666(4)

angles			
O1-Cu1-O2#1	97.87(14)	O10-Cu3-O7#2	92.78(15)
O1-Cu1-O5	88.88(12)	O10-Cu3-O12#2	97.73(17)
O1-Cu1-C1	153.90(14)	O10-Cu3-C5	153.34(16)
O1-Cu1-C2	112.40(14)	O10-Cu3-C6	111.74(16)
O2#1-Cu1-O5	90.28(13)	O12#2-Cu3-O7#2	89.64(12)
O2#1-Cu1-C1	107.66(15)	O12#2-Cu3-C5	108.33(16)
O2#1-Cu1-C2	149.05(15)	O12#2-Cu3-C6	149.84(16)
C1-Cu1-O5	96.20(13)	C5-Cu3-O7#2	92.93(13)
C1-Cu1-C2	41.65(15)	C5-Cu3-C6	41.77(15)
C2-Cu1-O5	96.42(14)	C6-Cu3-O7#2	95.02(13)
O3-Cu2-O5	88.87(12)	O4#3-Cu4-O7#2	88.39(12)
O3-Cu2-O9	99.19(14)	O4#3-Cu4-C7	147.68(15)
O3-Cu2-C3	111.26(15)	O4#3-Cu4-C8	106.57(15)
O3-Cu2-C4	152.82(15)	O11-Cu4-O4#3	101.1(2)
O9-Cu2-O5	91.05(13)	O11-Cu4-O7#2	94.12(14)
O9-Cu2-C3	148.92(15)	O11-Cu4-C7	110.46(19)
O9-Cu2-C4	107.47(14)	O11-Cu4-C8	151.49(19)
C3-Cu2-O5	95.47(13)	C7-Cu4-O7#2	95.73(13)
C4-Cu2-O5	95.72(13)	C8-Cu4-O7#2	93.24(13)
C4-Cu2-C3	41.70(15)	C8-Cu4-C7	41.30(15)
Symmetry codes			
#1 1+y-x, 1-x, +z; #2 1/3-y+x, -1/3+x, 2/3-z; #3 1/3+y, 2/3-x+y, 2/3-z			

2.3 Additional Structural Description

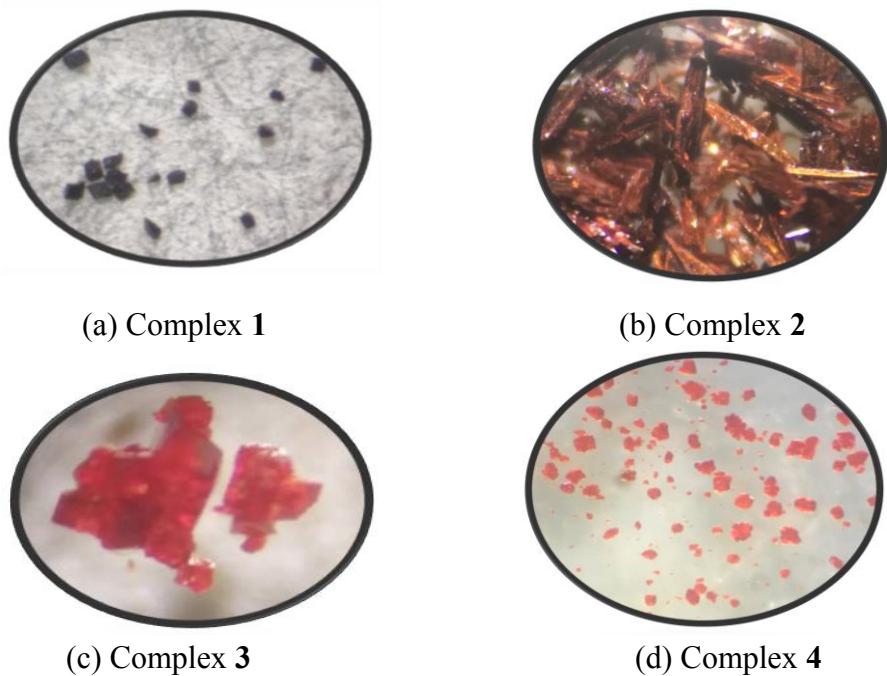
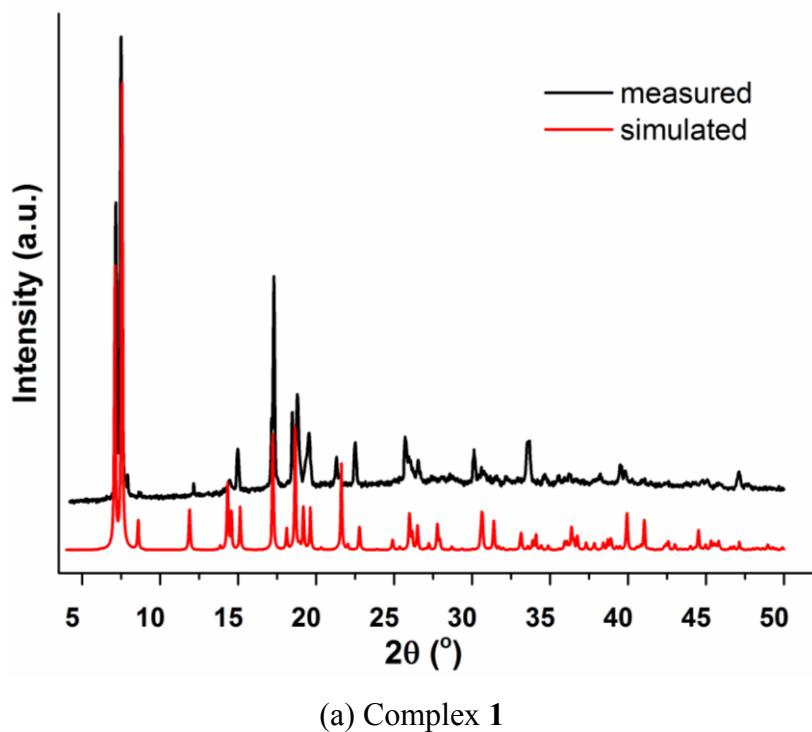
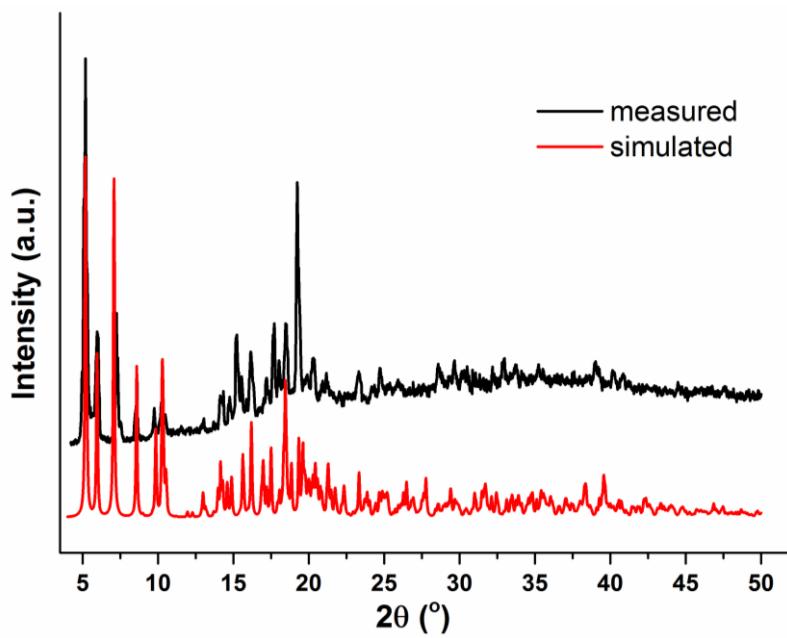


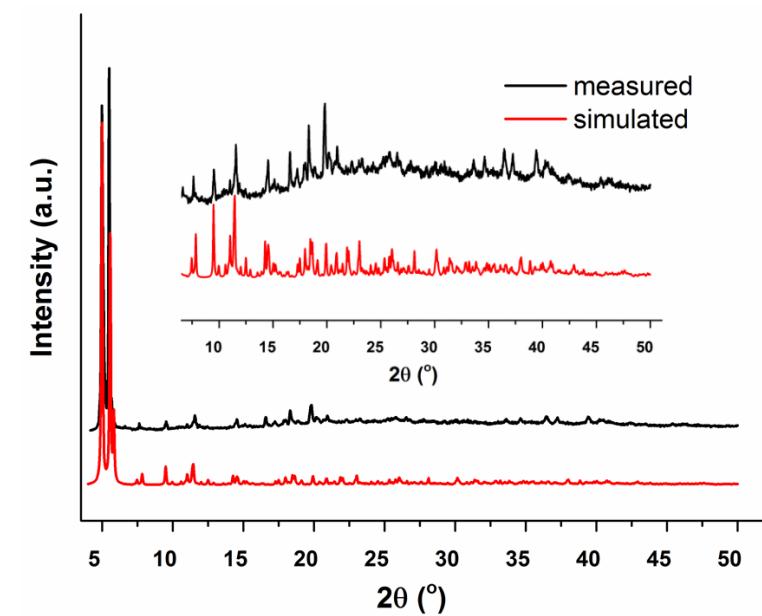
Figure S1. Photographs of the crystal samples for the complexes **1-4** amplified 40 times by microscope under natural night



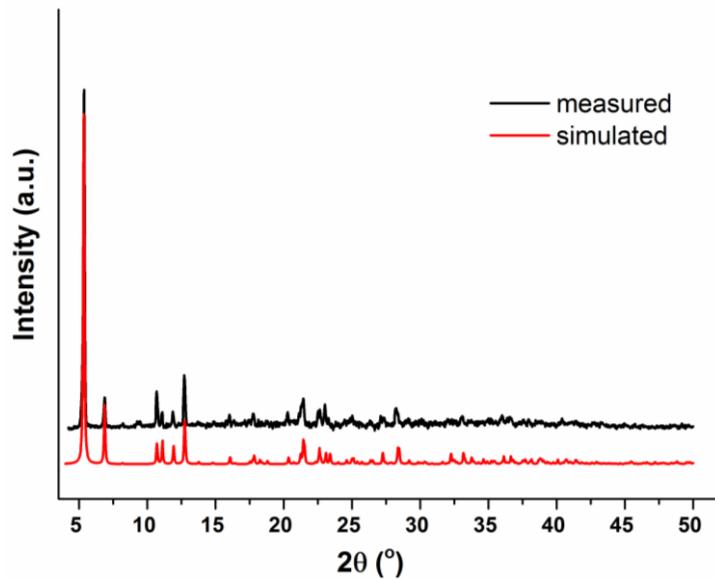
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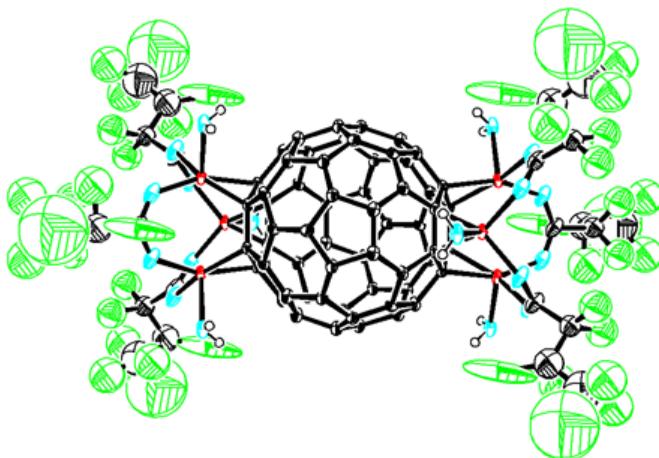


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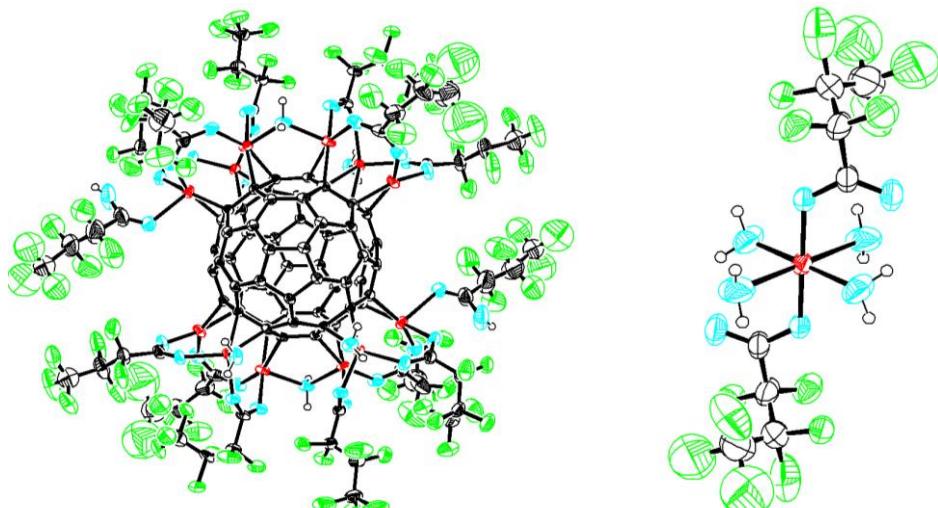


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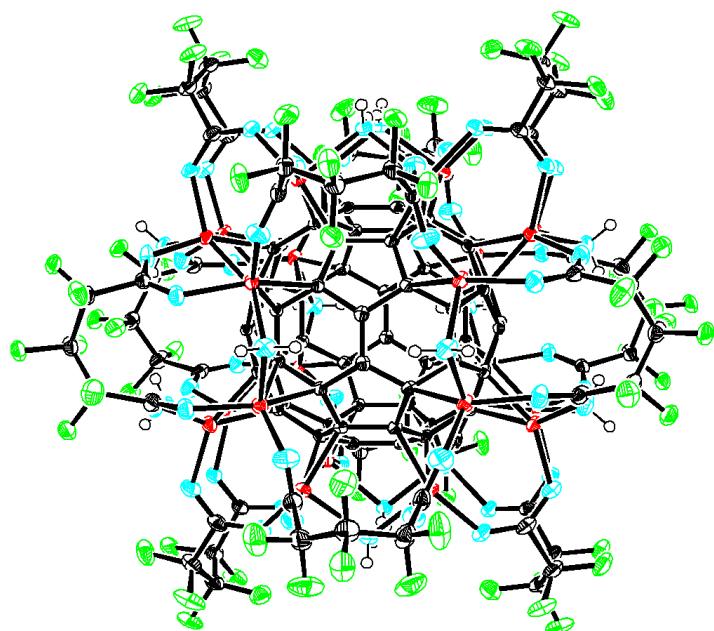
Figure S2. Comparison of the simulated and measured X-ray powder diffraction patterns of the complexes 1-4.



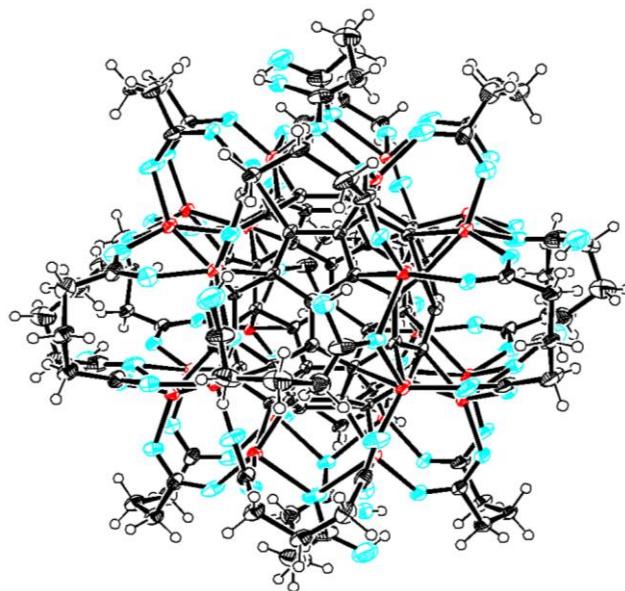
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(b) Complex 2



(c) Complex 3



(d) Complex 4

Figure S3. Molecular structures of the complexes **1-4** with 50% thermal ellipsoid. (Color codes: red, Cu; cyan, N; black, C; white cycle, H. The crystallized solvent molecules are omitted for clarity.)

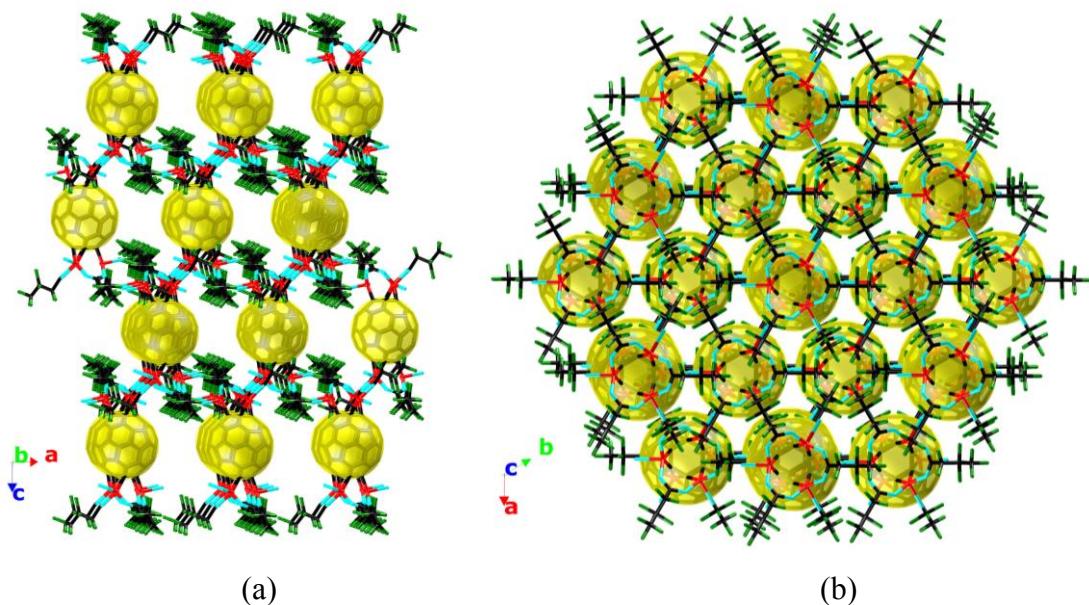


Figure S4. Packing structures of the complex **1** along *b* (a) and *c* (b) axis.

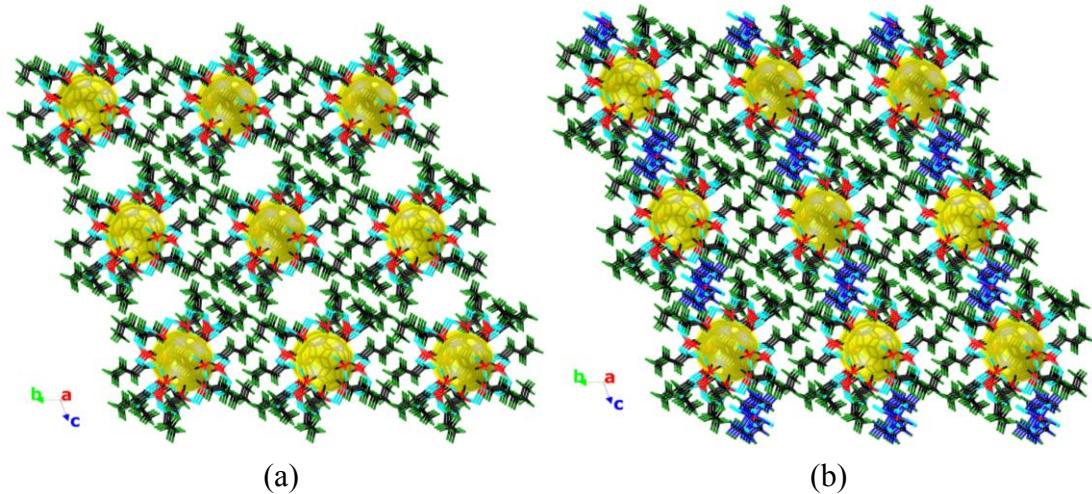


Figure S5. Packing structures of the complex **2** along *a* axis showing the co-crystallized Cu(H₂O)₄(C₃F₇COO)₂ fragments (blue in b) occupied the channel (a) between the cuprofullerene molecules.

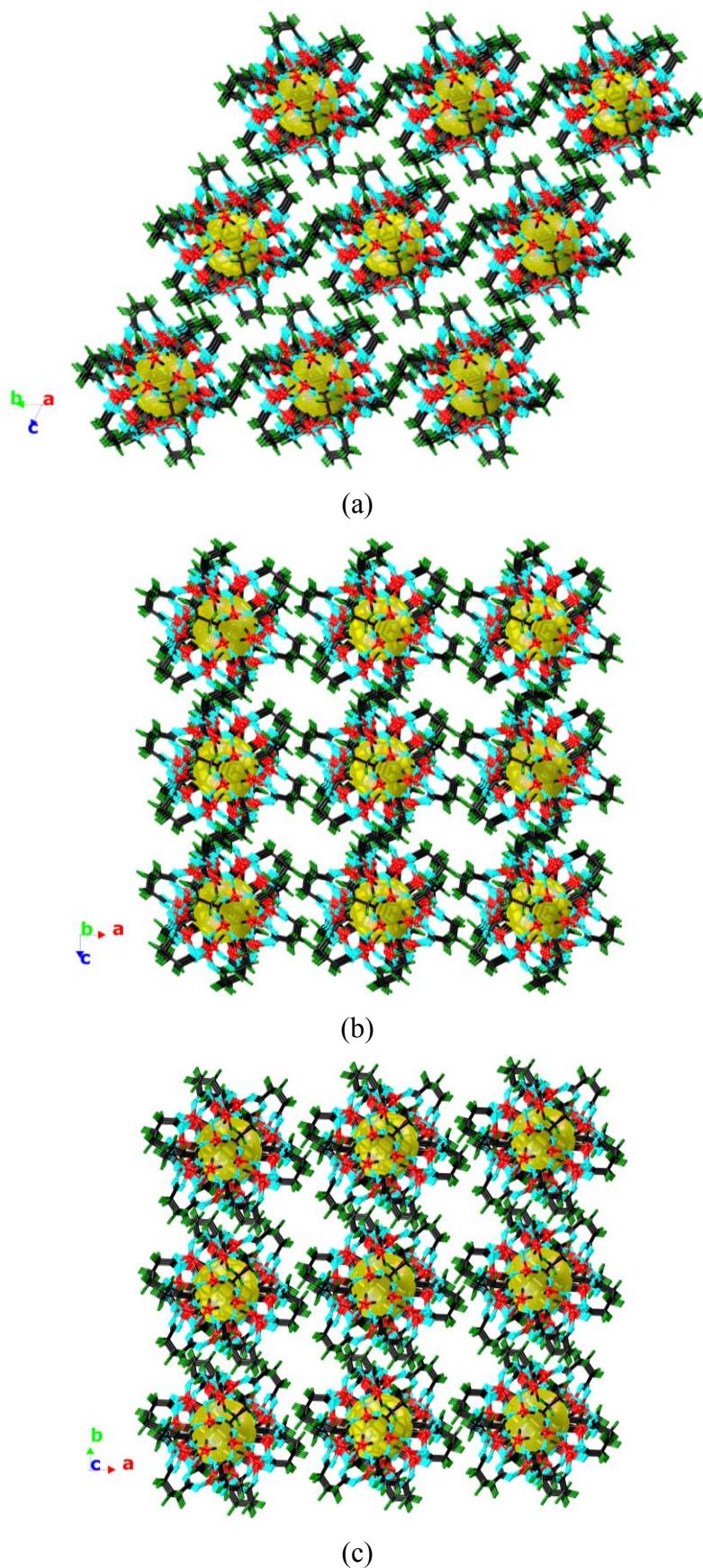


Figure S6. Packing structures of the complex **3** along *a* (a), *b* (b), and *c* (c) axis respectively. The crystallized solvent molecules are omitted for clarity.

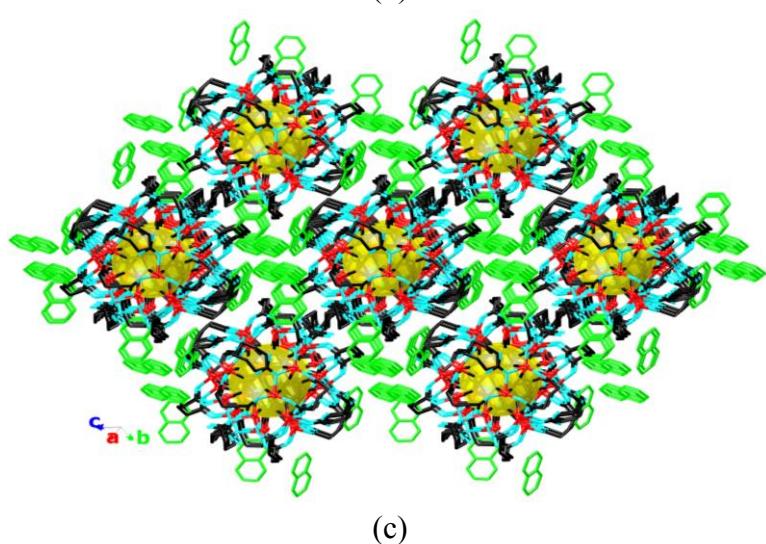
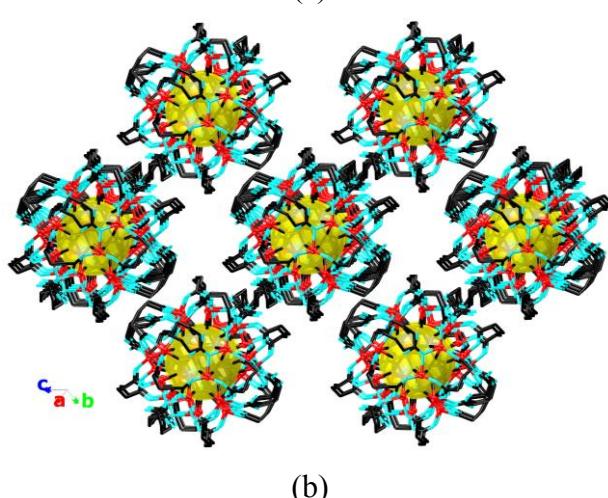
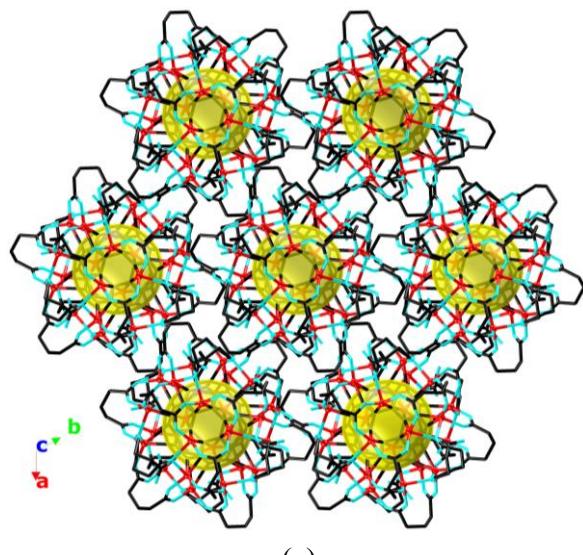


Figure S7. Packing structures of the complex **4**. The crystallized 1-chloronaphthalene molecules are omitted in (a) and (b) and shown in green in (c). The Cl atoms are omitted in 1-chloronaphthalene for their disordered position.

Section 3: Properties

3.1 UV-Vis Absorption Spectra

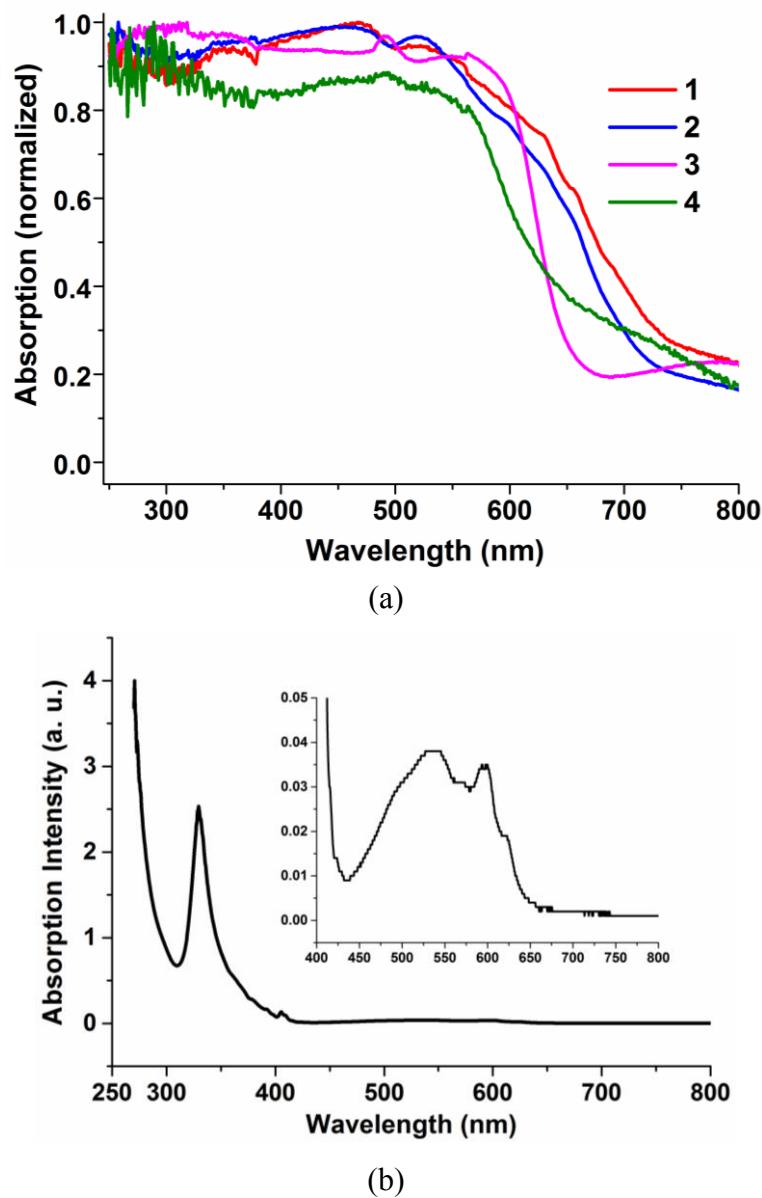
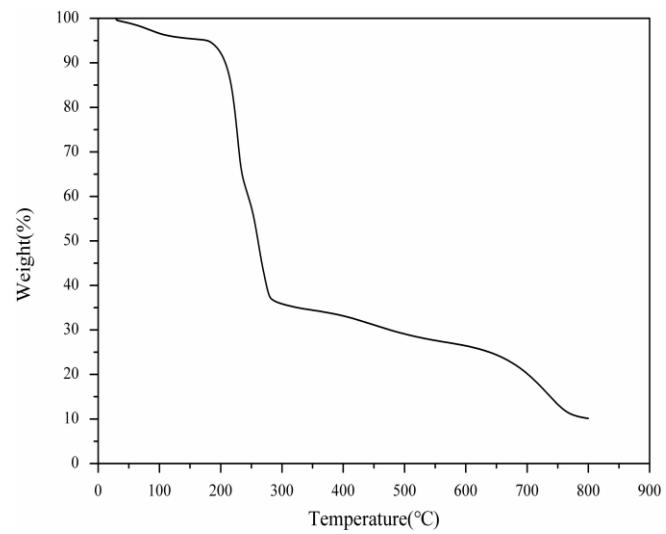
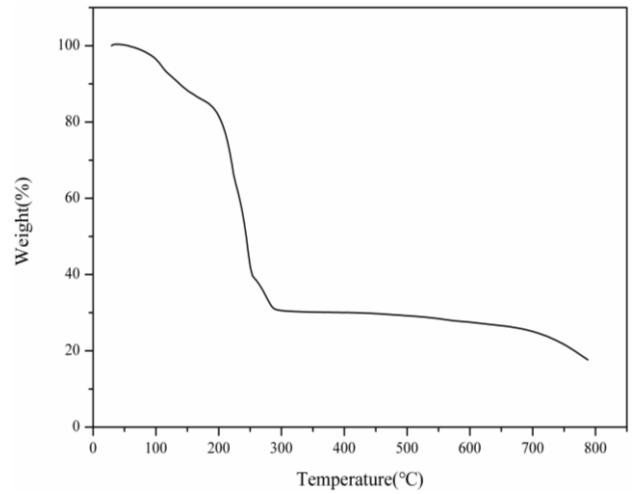


Figure S8 Comparison of the UV-Vis diffuse reflectance spectra of the complexes **1-4** (a) and the absorption of C₆₀ in toluene solution (10^{-4} mol·L⁻¹) (b).

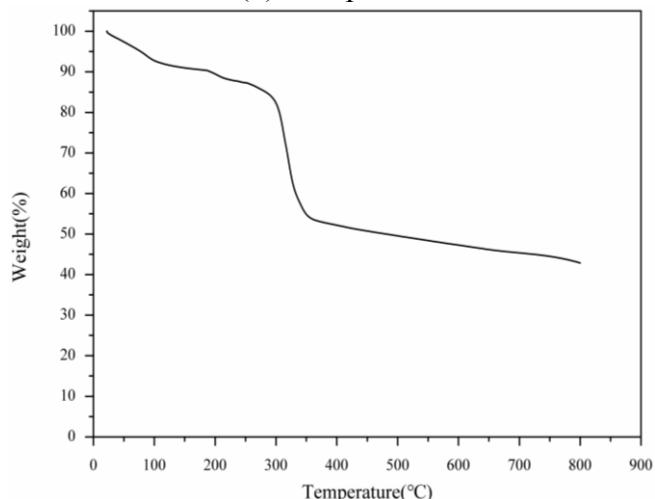
3.2 Thermal Stability



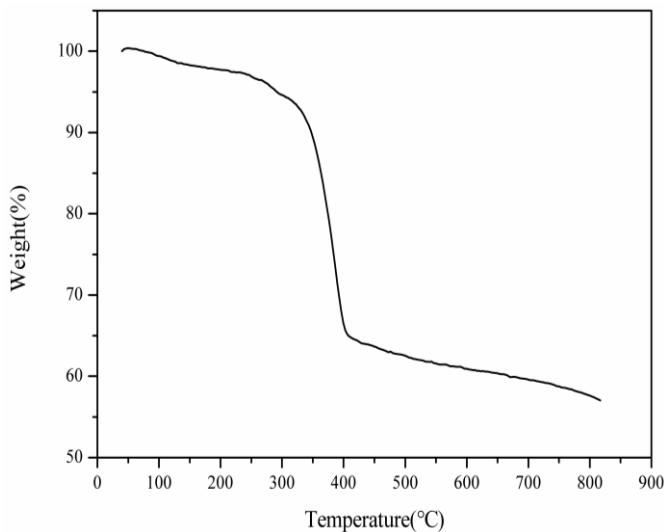
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(b) Complex 2



(c) Complex 3



(d) Complex 4

Figure S9 Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) plots of the complexes **1-4**.

Section 4. Theoretical Calculation Details

4.1 Time Dependent Density Functional Theory (TD-DFT) Calculation

All the calculations were carried out with Gaussian 09 software package.² The exact-exchange-incorporated PBE0 hybrid functional³⁻⁵ was employed throughout with LANL2DZ basis set⁶ for Cu atoms and 6-31G** basis set⁷ for C, O, F, H atoms. The models of the complexes were generated from the crystal data without any optimization, and only the Cu₁₂ fragment in the complex **2** was used for calculation. To perform wavefunction analysis, some of the out files were used as input files of Multiwfn software packages.⁸ Electron density difference (EDD) maps could be obtained to provide accurate assignments of excited states by calculating singlet-singlet spin-allowed transitions. Orbit contributions for the selected excited states and orbital composition analysis with Hirshfeld method were all analyzed by Multiwfn software packages.⁹

4.2 Calculation Results

Table S6 The calculated first 20 singlet-singlet spin-allowed transitions based on complexes of **Cu₆**, **Cu₁₂**, **Cu₂₄**, **Cu₂₄-H** and **C₆₀**

Cu₆			
No.	E/eV	λ/nm	f
1	1.9914	622.59	0.0000
2	2.0039	618.72	0.0000
3	2.0040	618.68	0.0000
4	2.2457	552.09	0.0000
5	2.2603	548.53	0.0000
6	2.2603	548.52	0.0000
7	2.3359	530.78	0.0000
8	2.3361	530.72	0.0000
9	2.4078	514.94	0.0000
10	2.4078	514.93	0.0000
11	2.4111	514.22	0.0054
12	2.4112	514.20	0.0054
13	2.4353	509.11	0.0000
14	2.4634	503.31	0.0000
15	2.5289	490.27	0.0000
16	2.5320	489.68	0.0000
17	2.5418	487.78	0.0000
18	2.5419	487.77	0.0000
19	2.6086	475.29	0.0199
20	2.6086	475.28	0.0199
Cu₁₂			
No.	E/eV	λ/nm	f
1	1.9394	639.30	0.0000
2	2.0738	597.87	0.0000
3	2.1632	573.16	0.0000
4	2.2269	556.76	0.0000

5	2.2564	549.47	0.0000
6	2.2724	545.62	0.0000
7	2.3414	529.52	0.0000
8	2.4251	511.25	0.0000
9	2.4427	507.58	0.1263
10	2.4564	504.74	0.0000
11	2.5000	495.93	0.0000
12	2.5305	489.96	0.0000
13	2.5396	488.21	0.0520
14	2.5539	485.46	0.0172
15	2.5561	485.05	0.0000
16	2.6054	475.87	0.0000
17	2.6180	473.59	0.0075
18	2.6223	472.80	0.0024
19	2.6271	471.94	0.0000
20	2.6384	469.92	0.0000

Cu₂₄

No.	E/eV	λ/nm	f
1	2.2678	546.71	0.0000
2	2.2774	544.41	0.0000
3	2.2954	540.14	0.0000
4	2.3413	529.56	0.0000
5	2.3523	527.07	0.0000
6	2.3574	525.93	0.0000
7	2.4864	498.65	0.0000
8	2.4882	498.29	0.0000
9	2.5075	494.45	0.0000
10	2.5312	489.82	0.0000
11	2.5398	488.16	0.0022
12	2.5577	484.75	0.0039
13	2.5580	484.69	0.0000
14	2.5672	482.95	0.0027

15	2.5756	481.39	0.0052
16	2.5763	481.25	0.0000
17	2.5813	480.33	0.0000
18	2.5824	480.12	0.0010
19	2.5947	477.84	0.0000
20	2.5964	477.53	0.0008

Cu₂₄-H

No.	E/eV	λ/nm	f
1	2.3646	524.33	0.0000
2	2.3651	524.21	0.0000
3	2.3652	524.19	0.0000
4	2.4042	515.70	0.0000
5	2.4345	509.28	0.0000
6	2.4345	509.27	0.0000
7	2.5096	494.04	0.0000
8	2.5096	494.04	0.0000
9	2.5150	492.97	0.0000
10	2.5566	484.95	0.0000
11	2.5861	479.42	0.0029
12	2.5906	478.59	0.0066
13	2.5907	478.57	0.0067
14	2.5989	477.06	0.0000
15	2.6011	476.67	0.0000
16	2.6012	476.65	0.0000
17	2.6107	474.90	0.0182
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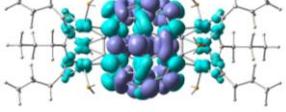
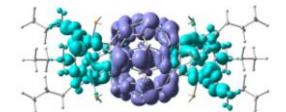
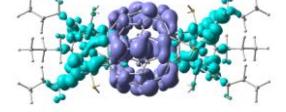
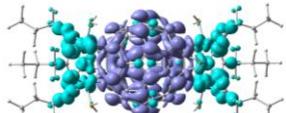
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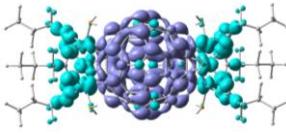
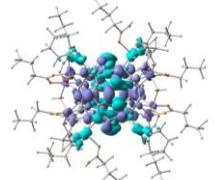
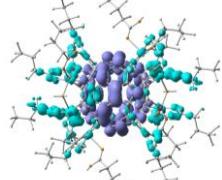
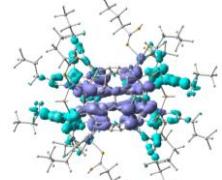
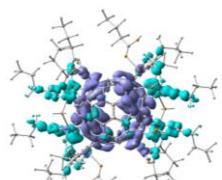
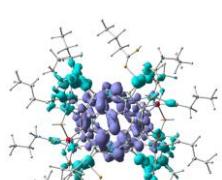
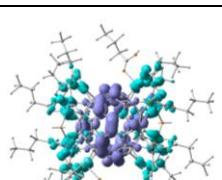
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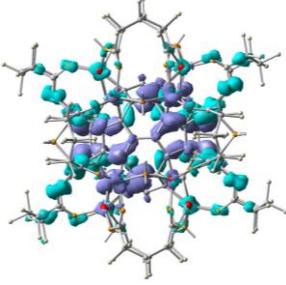
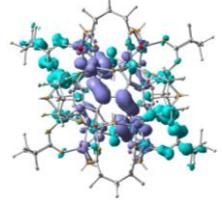
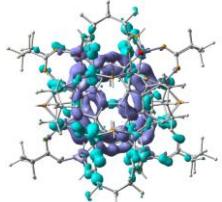
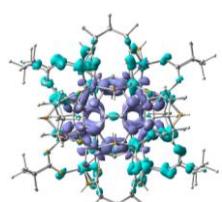
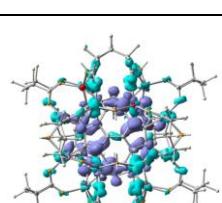
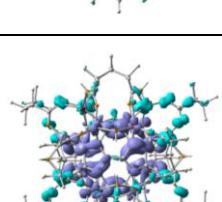
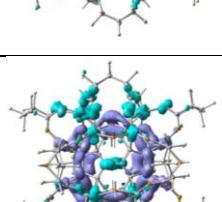
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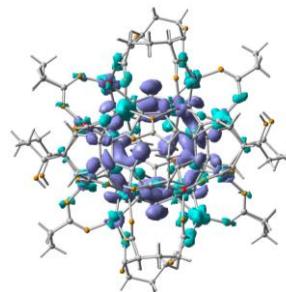
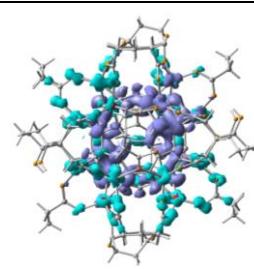
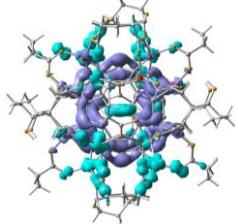
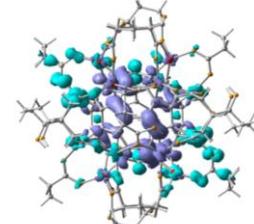
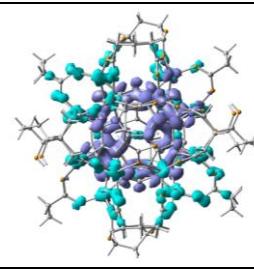
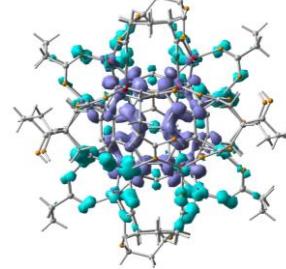
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Table S7 The calculated absorption data, the electron density difference (EDD) maps (isovalue = 0.0004 a.u.) and the orbital transitions of the selected vertical singlet excited states for complexes **Cu₆**, **Cu₁₂**, **Cu₂₄** and **Cu₂₄-H** and **C₆₀**.

Cu ₆					
No.	E(eV)	λ(nm)	f	EDD	Major transitions and contributions (H = HOMO, L = LUMO)
1	1.9914	622.59	0.0000		H → L (98.04%)
11	2.4111	514.22	0.0054		H-3 → L (97.42%)
12	2.4112	514.20	0.0054		H-4 → L (97.42%)
19	2.6086	475.29	0.0199		H-4 → L+2 (41.44%) H-3 → L+1 (41.17%) H-4 → L+1 (5.42%) H-3 → L+2 (5.38%)

20	2.6086	475.28	0.0199		H-4 → L+1 (41.31%) H-3 → L+2 (41.30%) H-4 → L+2 (5.43%) H-3 → L+1 (5.37%)
Cu₁₂					
No.	E(eV)	λ (nm)	f	EDD	Major transitions and contributions (H = HOMO, L = LUMO)
1	1.9394	639.30	0.0000		H → L (97.52%)
9	2.4427	507.58	0.1263		H-3 → L (92.23%)
13	2.5396	488.21	0.0520		H-3 → L+1 (74.08%) H-3 → L+2 (13.65%)
14	2.5539	485.46	0.0172		H-3 → L+2 (72.58%) H-3 → L+1 (16.26%)
17	2.6180	473.59	0.0075		H-6 → L (54.28%) H-7 → L (14.82%) H-6 → L+1 (9.07%) H-3 → L+2 (8.05%) H-7 → L+1 (6.72%)
18	2.6223	472.80	0.0024		H-7 → L (63.60%) H-6 → L (18.99%) H-6 → L+2 (5.59%)

Cu₂₄					
No.	E(eV)	$\lambda(\text{nm})$	f	EDD	Major transitions and contributions (H = HOMO, L = LUMO)
1	2.2678	546.71	0.0000		H → L (57.53%) H → L+1 (29.02%)
11	2.5398	488.16	0.0022		H-3 → L (68.40%) H-4 → L (9.57%) H-3 → L+2 (7.88%)
12	2.5577	484.75	0.0039		H-4 → L (41.51%) H-3 → L (14.69%) H-3 → L+1 (14.35%) H-8 → L (6.03%)
14	2.5672	482.95	0.0027		H-3 → L+2 (33.28%) H-4 → L+1 (28.13%) H-8 → L (12.59%) H-4 → L (8.51%)
15	2.5756	481.39	0.0052		H-3 → L+1 (32.55%) H-4 → L+1 (16.48%) H-7 → L+2 (11.41%) H-7 → L+1 (7.51%) H-3 → L+2 (6.60%) H-9 → L+2 (5.64%)
18	2.5824	480.12	0.0010		H-3 → L+1 (21.90%) H-7 → L+1 (21.32%) H-4 → L+1 (16.43%) H-4 → L (8.70%) H-3 → L+2 (5.90%) H-7 → L+2 (5.52%)
20	2.5964	477.53	0.0008		H-4 → L+2 (64.11%) H-7 → L (9.44%) H-8 → L (7.40%) H-4 → L+1 (5.14%)

Cu ₂₄ -H					
No.	E(eV)	λ (nm)	<i>f</i>	EDD	Major transitions and contributions (H = HOMO, L = LUMO)
1	2.3646	524.33	0.0000		H-1 → L (41.14%) H → L+1 (35.55%) H-2 → L (6.41%) H-3 → L+1 (6.25%) H → L (6.04%)
11	2.5861	479.42	0.0029		H-5 → L (33.87%) H-4 → L+1 (33.70%) H-4 → L (15.11%) H-5 → L+1 (14.38%)
12	2.5906	478.59	0.0066		H-4 → L+2 (61.52%) H-5 → L+1 (11.45%) H-4 → L (11.21%)
13	2.5907	478.57	0.0067		H-5 → L+2 (61.56%) H-4 → L+1 (11.68%) H-5 → L (10.97%)
17	2.6107	474.90	0.0182		H-4 → L (30.42%) H-5 → L+1 (30.38%) H-5 → L (13.41%) H-4 → L+1 (13.31%) H-7 → L+2 (6.28%)
20	2.6378	470.02	0.0327		H-4 → L+2 (25.13%) H-5 → L+1 (23.23%) H-4 → L (22.85%) H-8 → L (5.16%)

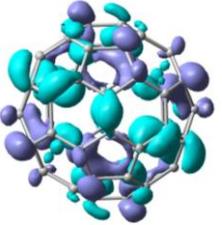
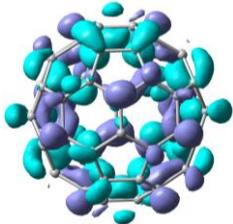
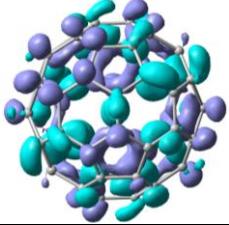
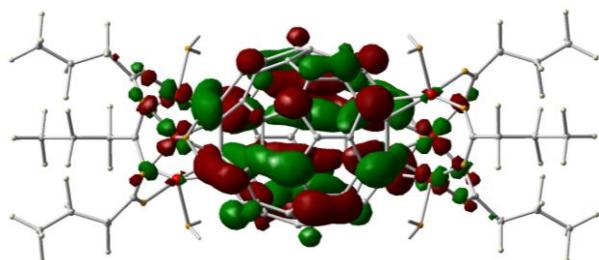
C_{60}					
No.	E(eV)	λ (nm)	f	EDD	Major transitions and contributions (H = HOMO, L = LUMO)
37	3.7694	328.92	0.0145		H-1 → L+3 (17.54%) H → L+4 (16.02%) H-3 → L+5 (9.65%) H-2 → L+5 (8.77%) H-2 → L+3 (8.42%) H → L+5 (7.01%) H-1 → L+4 (5.13%) H-8 → L (5.06%)
38	3.7694	328.92	0.0145		H → L+3 (18.65%) H-4 → L+5 (13.87%) H-4 → L+4 (13.20%) H-2 → L+4 (11.09%) H-3 → L+4 (5.42%) H → L+5 (5.25%) H-3 → L+5 (5.21%)
39	3.7694	328.92	0.0145		H-1 → L+5 (22.02%) H-3 → L+3 (20.50%) H-2 → L+4 (13.37%) H-4 → L+4 (10.78%)

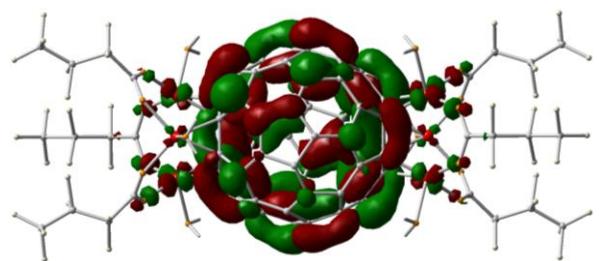
Table S8 The calculated atom contributions (%) for the orbitals of the complexes of Cu₆, Cu₁₂, Cu₂₄ and Cu₂₄-H.

complexes	No.	atom contributions				
		Cu	C(fullerene)	O	C(carboxylate)	F
Cu₆	572 (H-4)	31.71	28.64	26.46	9.64	3.28
	573 (H-3)	31.71	28.64	26.46	9.64	3.28
	576 (H)	14.93	71.96	10.71	1.26	0.51
	577 (L)	1.20	97.54	0.61	0.10	0.02
	578 (L+1)	13.41	81.83	3.29	0.95	0.19
	579 (L+2)	13.41	81.83	3.29	0.95	0.19
Cu₁₂	1039 (H-7)	34.79	30.86	22.33	8.70	3.20
	1040 (H-6)	31.05	30.34	23.61	10.53	4.38
	1043 (H-3)	34.61	33.31	20.28	8.62	3.04
	1046 (H)	17.48	70.27	8.11	3.02	1.04
	1047 (L)	12.11	83.70	2.95	0.88	0.21
	1048 (L+1)	17.56	76.59	4.12	1.25	0.28
	1049 (L+2)	22.65	69.90	5.29	1.68	0.37

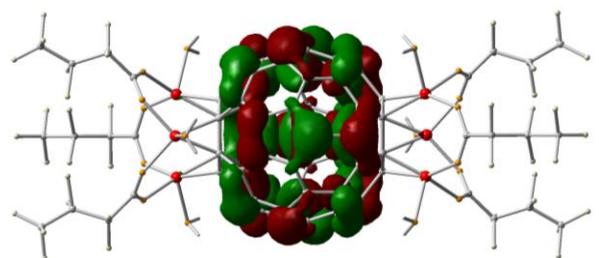
C₂₄	1155 (H-9)	34.74	20.85	27.26	11.92	5.16
	1156 (H-8)	35.42	21.24	26.66	11.52	5.07
	1157 (H-7)	35.21	21.16	27.00	11.48	5.06
	1160 (H-4)	37.25	26.93	23.22	8.95	3.43
	1161 (H-3)	37.16	27.06	23.20	8.92	3.44
	1164 (H)	33.68	32.93	21.20	8.48	3.59
	1165 (L)	28.88	61.17	7.12	2.16	0.44
	1166 (L+1)	28.81	61.28	7.10	2.15	0.44
	1167 (L+2)	28.74	61.24	7.17	2.18	0.45
Cu₂₄-H	1018 (H-8)	40.70	25.10	24.47	8.21	
	1019 (H-7)	41.10	22.28	26.16	9.08	
	1021 (H-5)	38.27	28.55	23.03	8.63	
	1022 (H-4)	38.27	28.55	23.04	8.63	
	1026 (H)	37.87	37.26	18.50	5.68	
	1027 (L)	29.03	61.37	7.03	2.21	
	1028 (L+1)	29.03	61.37	7.03	2.20	
	1029 (L+2)	28.68	61.98	6.84	2.12	



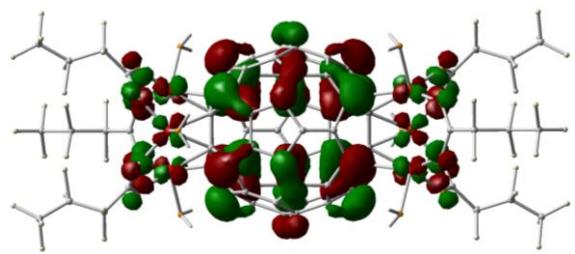
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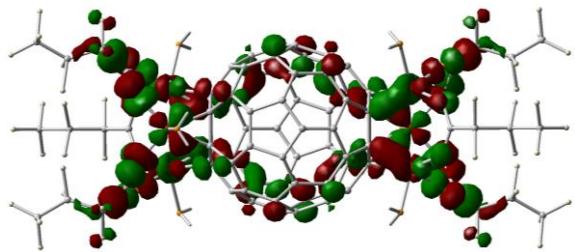
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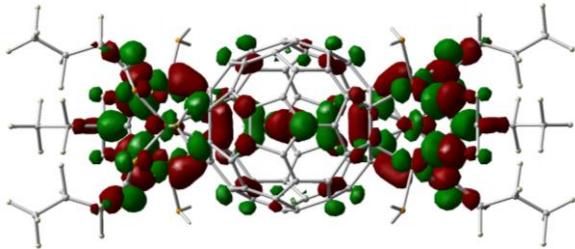
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(d) HOMO

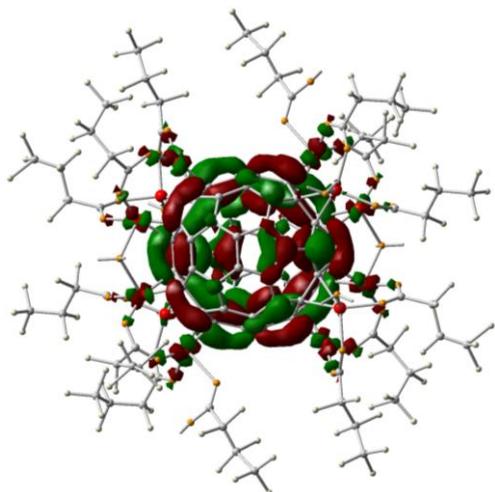


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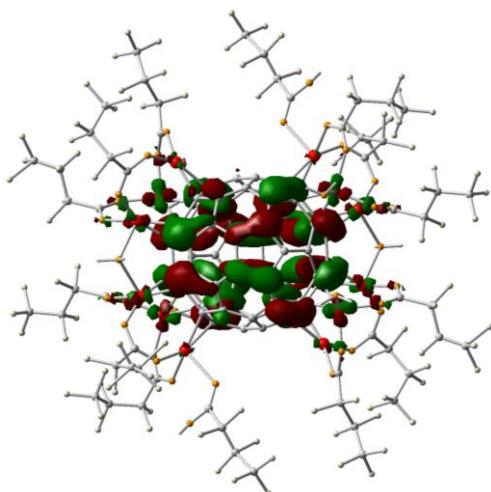


(f) HOMO-4

Figure S10. The contour of the frontier molecular orbitals for the cuprofullerene **Cu₆** molecule in the complex **1** (isovalue = 0.02).



(a) LUMO+2



(b) LUMO+1

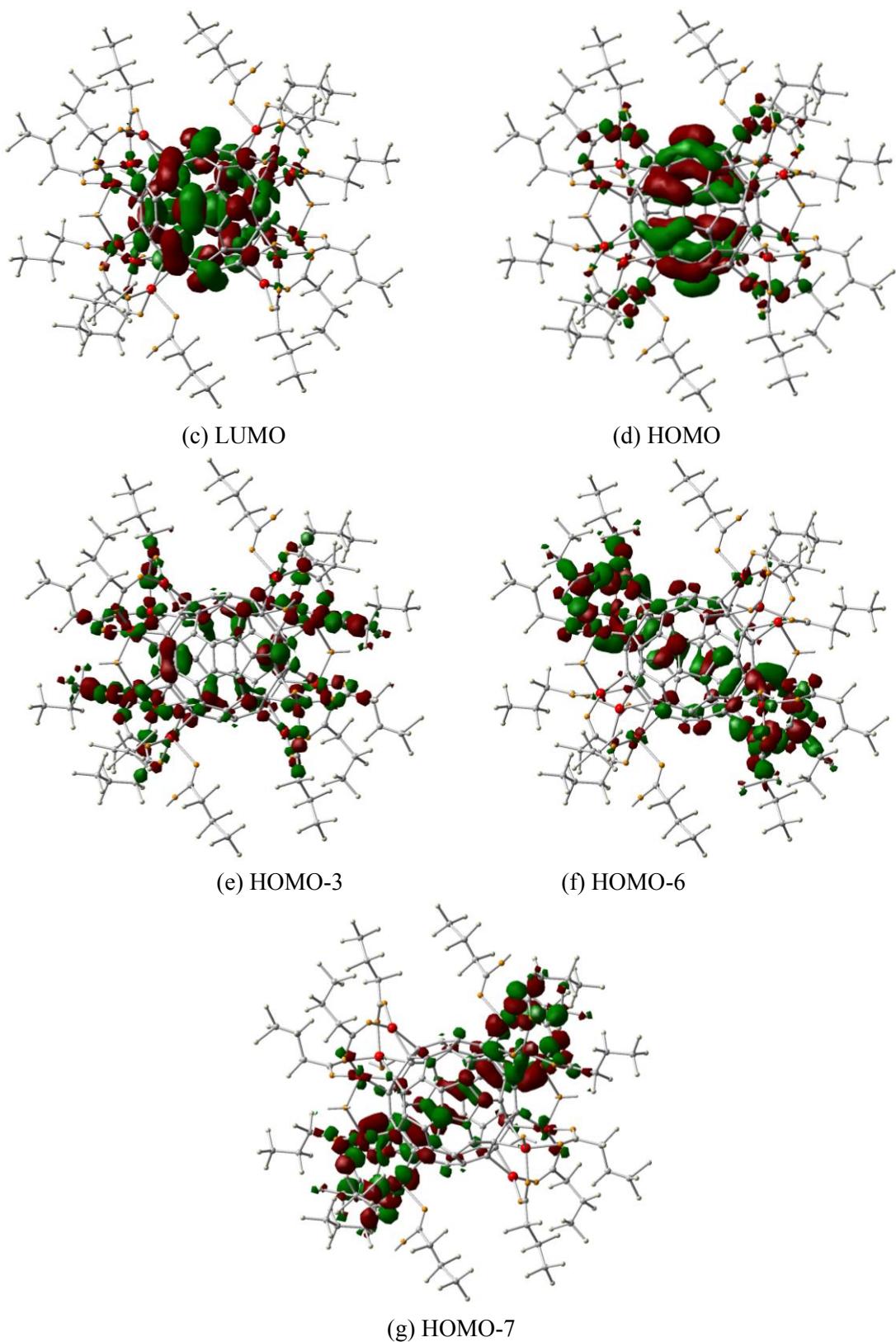
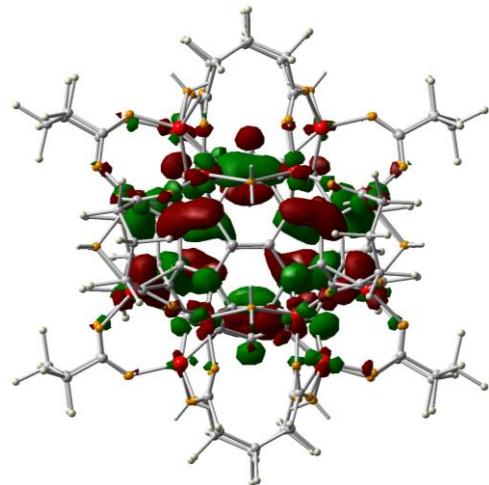
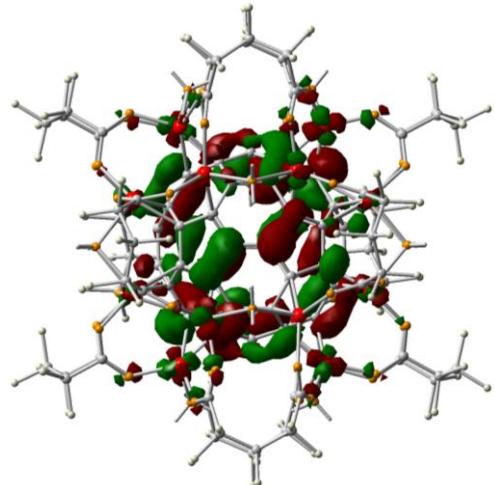


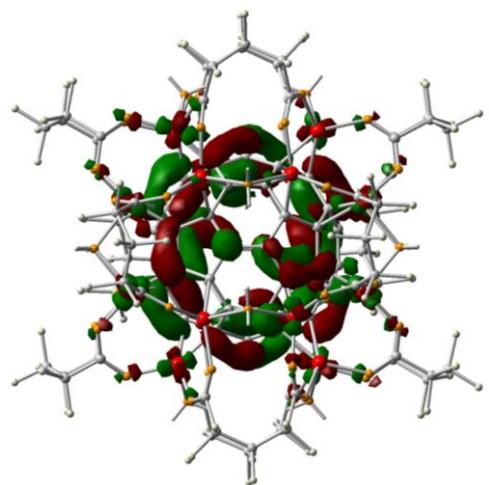
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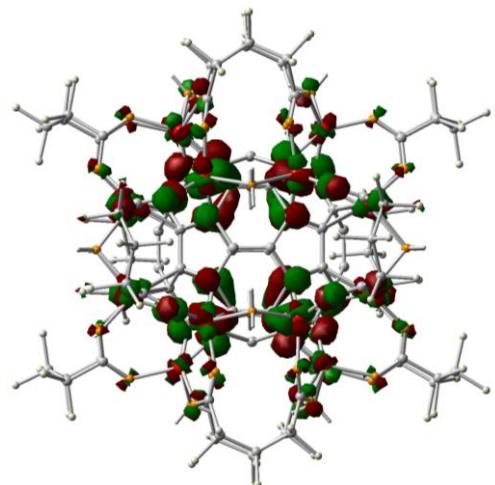
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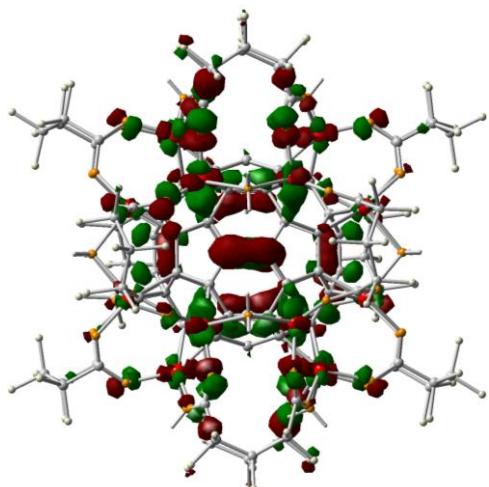
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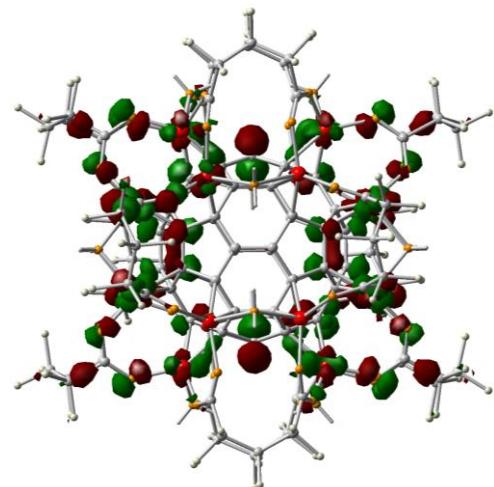
(c) LUMO



(d) HOMO



(e) HOMO-3



(f) HOMO-4

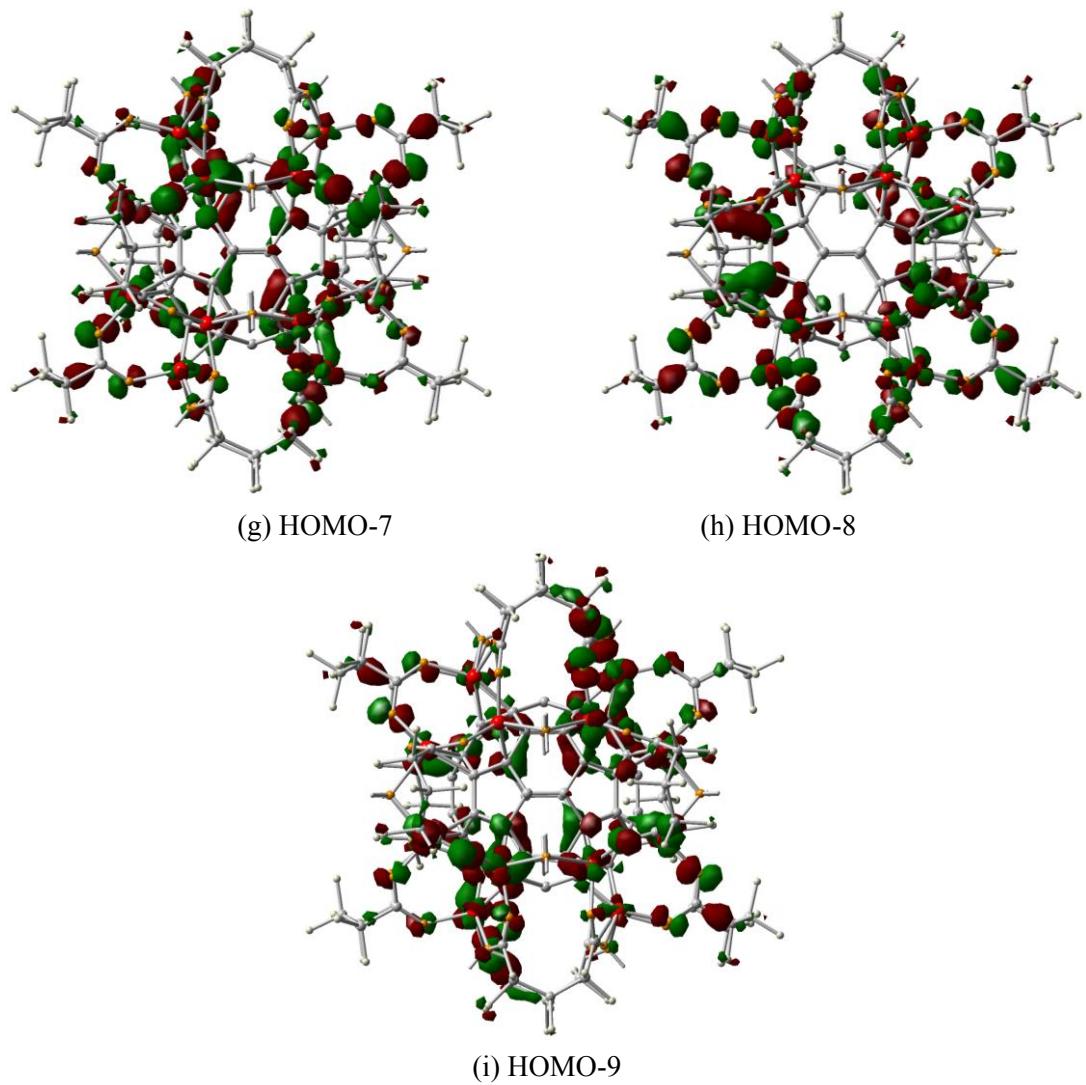
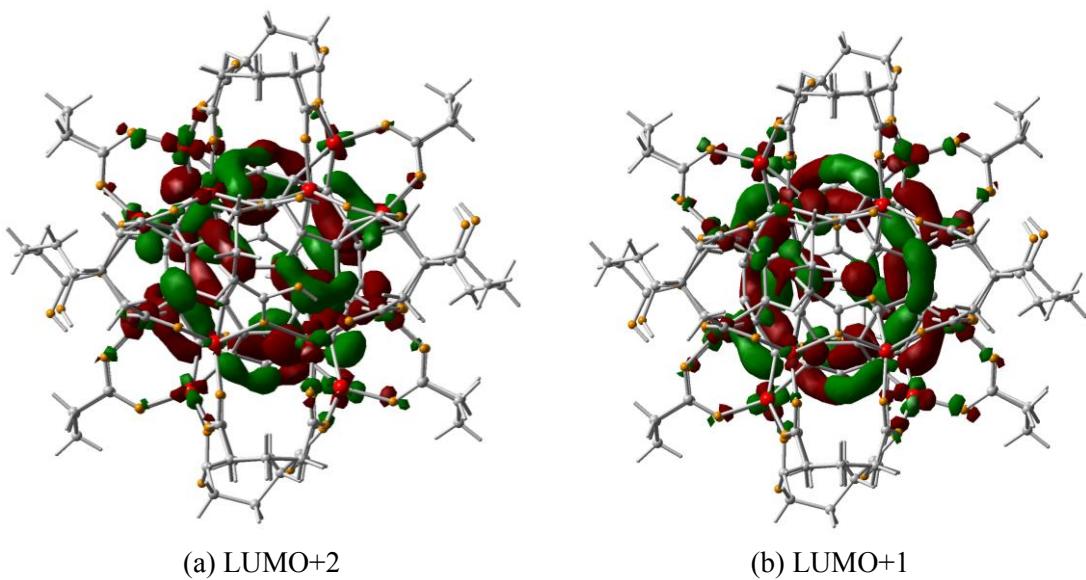


Figure S12. The contour of the frontier molecular orbitals for the cuprofullerene **Cu₂₄** molecule in the complex **3** (isovalue = 0.02).



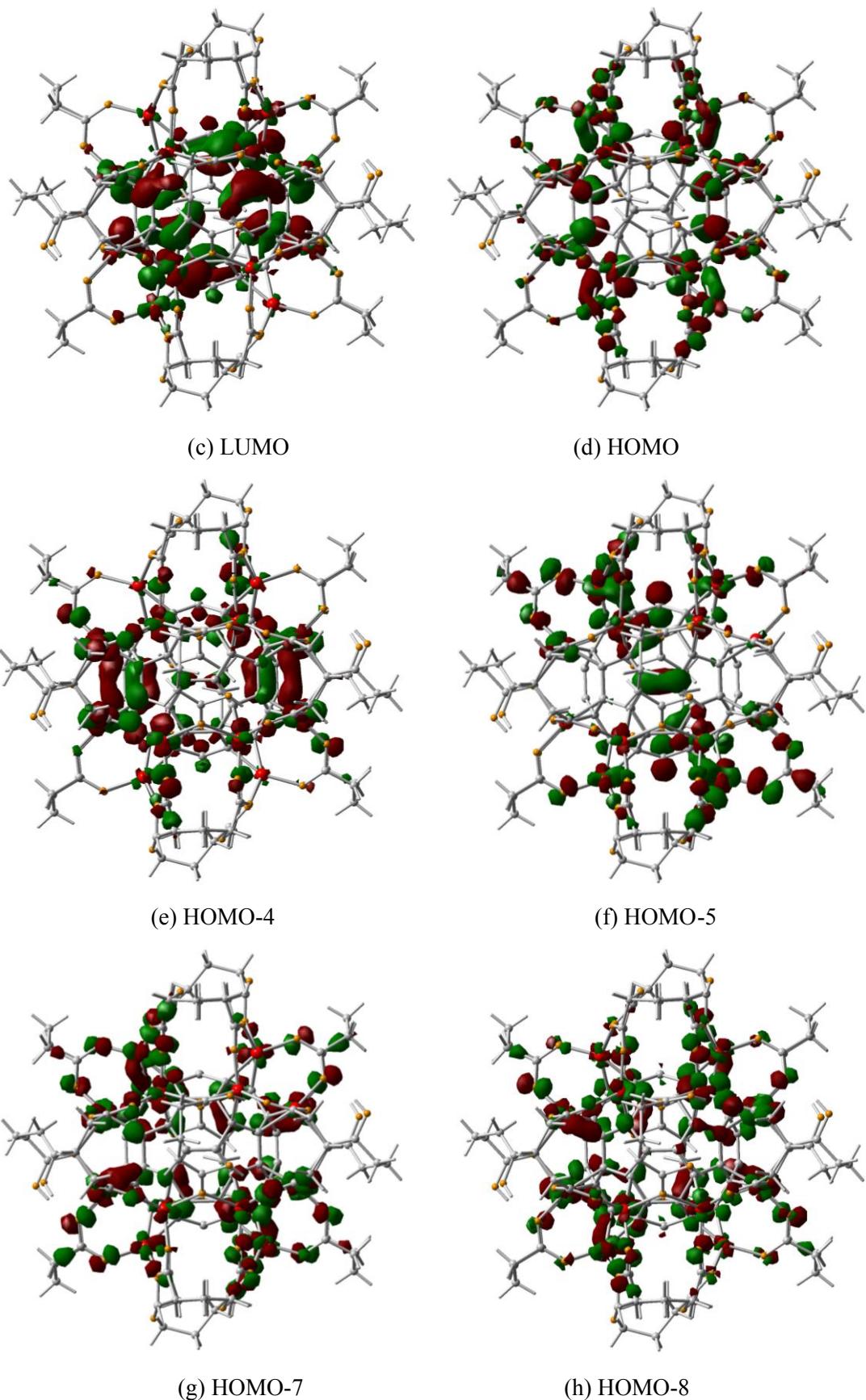
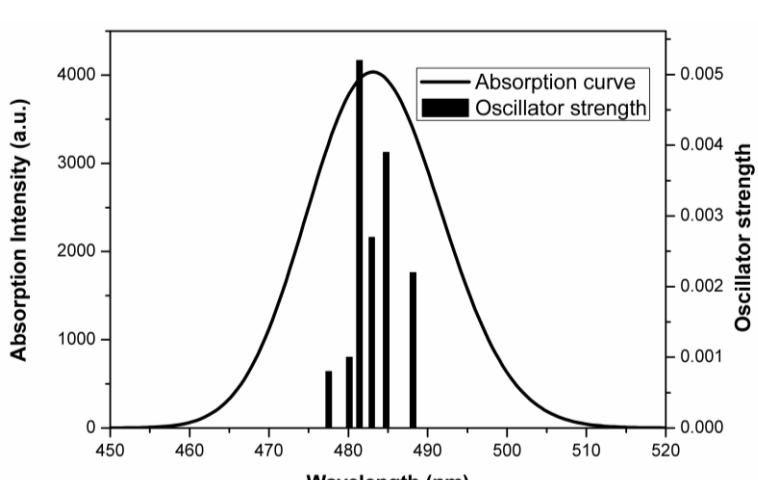
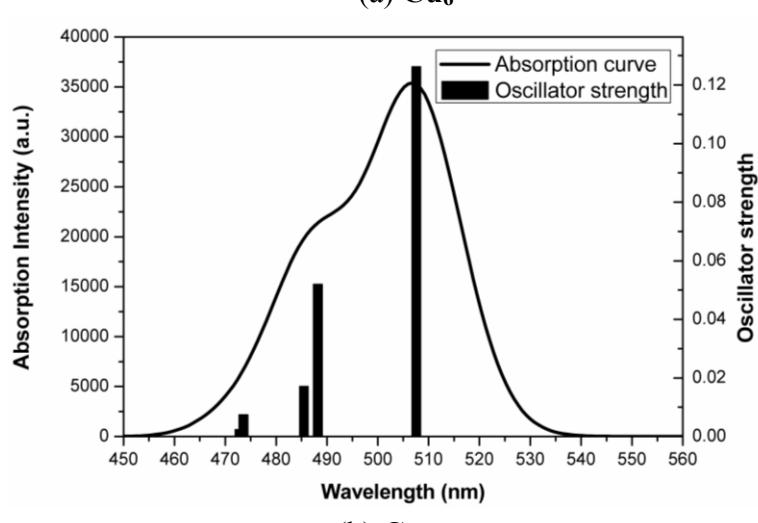
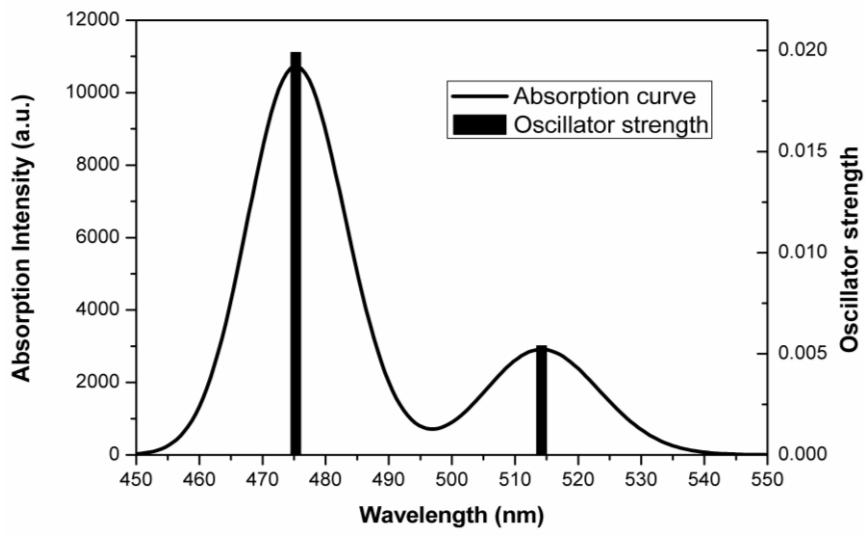


Figure S13. The contours of the frontier molecular orbitals for the cuprofullerene **Cu₂₄-H** molecule in the complex **4** (isovalue = 0.02).



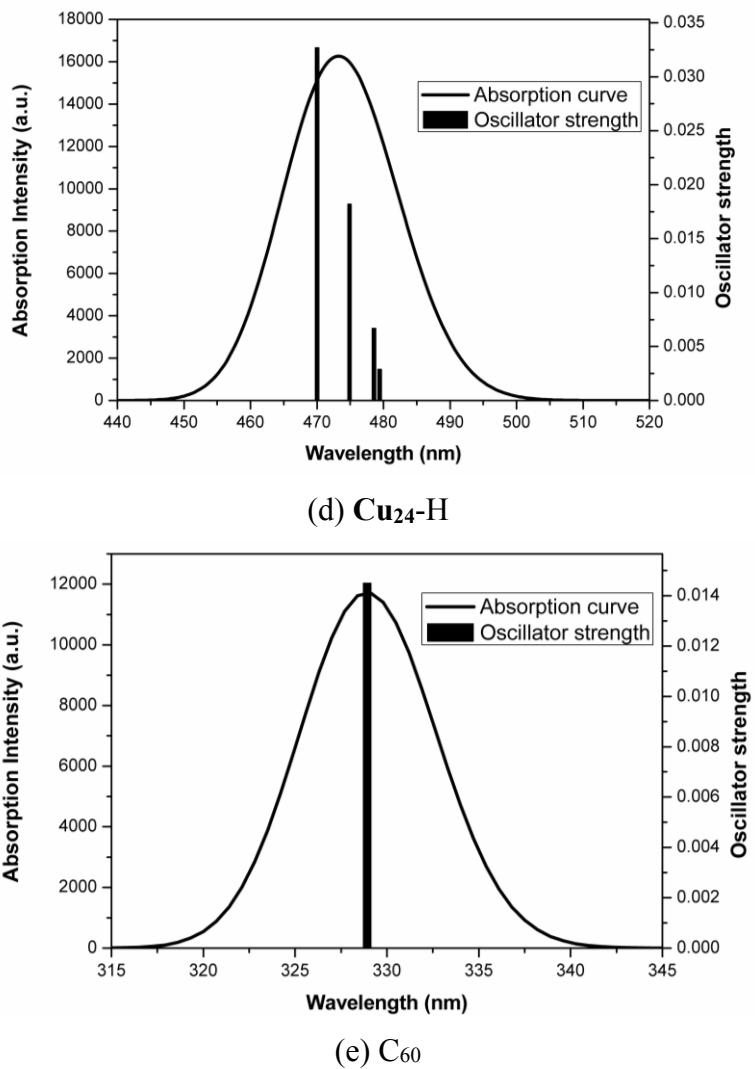


Figure S14. Calculated UV-Vis absorption spectra based on (a) **Cu₆**, (b) **Cu₁₂**, (c) **Cu₂₄**, (d) **Cu₂₄-H** and (e) **C₆₀**.

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