## **Supporting Information**

## Metal-Promoted Intermolecular Electron Transfer in Tetrathiafulvalene-Thiacalix[4]arene Conjugates and Tetrachlorobenzoquinone

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Figure S1. Partial <sup>1</sup>H NMR NOE spectra of compound **6a** 



Figure S2. <sup>1</sup>H NMR NOE spectra of compound **6b** 



Figure S3. Partial <sup>1</sup>H NMR NOE spectra of compound **7a** 



Figure S4. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of compound **3a** 



Figure S5. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound **3a** 







Figure S7. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound **3b** 



Fig. S8. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of compound **4a** 



Figure S9. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound 4a





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Elemental composition search on mass 486.91

m/z = 481.	91-491.91			
m/z	Theo.	Delta	RDB	Composition
	Mass	(ppm)	equiv.	
486.9132	486.9132	0.10	7.0	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>17</sub> O N <sub>3</sub> S <sub>8</sub>
	486.9134	-0.41	23.0	С20 НО5 N5 S3
	486.9130	0.48	4.0	C 5 H 1 3 O 4 N 9 S 7
	486.9135	-0.49	4.5	C 6 H 11 O 10 N 6 S 5
	486.9130	0.55	17.0	C 20 H 9 O 4 N S 5
	486.9136	-0.86	13.0	C 13 H 9 O 2 N 7 S 6
	486.9137	-0.87	7.5	C14 H15 O7 S6
	486.9128	0.92	14.0	$C_{12}H_{5}O_{7}N_{7}S_{4}$
	486.9141	-1.83	13.5	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>7</sub> O <sub>8</sub> N <sub>4</sub> S <sub>4</sub>
	486.9123	1.89	8.0	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>13</sub> O <sub>6</sub> N <sub>3</sub> S <sub>6</sub>



Figure S12. MS spectra report of compound 4b



Figure S13. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of compound **5** 



Figure S14. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound **5** 

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	Mass	(ppm)	equiv.	
825.3144	825.3134	1.24	20.5	C 48 H 57 O 4 S 4
	825.3159	-1.80	16.5	C 44 H 57 O 9 S 3
	825.3126	2.29	21.5	C 47 H 53 O 9 S 2
	825.3168	-2.85	15.5	C 45 H 61 O 4 S 5











Figure S17. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **6a** 



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Instrument: Thermo Fisher Scientific LTQ FT Ultra					
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		(ppm)	equiv.		
1322.2104	1322.2102	0.17	29.0	C 60 H 70 O 4 N 6 S 12	
	1322.2099	0.33	39.0	C 67 H 62 O 7 N 4 S 9	
	1322.2108	-0.35	19.5	C 54 H 76 O 7 N 5 S 13	
	1322.2111	-0.51	54.0	С 75 Н 50 О 6 N 6 S 6	
	1322.2115	-0.84	28.5	C 62 H 72 O 5 N 3 S 12	
	1322.2092	0.86	48.5	C 73 H 56 O 4 N 5 S 8	
	1322.2090	1.02	14.0	C 52 H 82 O 5 N 4 S 15	
	1322.2090	1.02	58.5	C 80 H 48 O 7 N 3 S 5	
	1322.2120	-1.20	34.5	C 62 H 64 O 6 N 7 S 10	
	1322.2086	1.35	39.5	С 65 Н 60 О 6 N 7 S 9	



Figure S18. MS spectra report of compound 6a



Figure S19. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound **6b** 



Figure S20. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **6b** 



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m/z = 1405.	27-1415.27					
m/z	Theo. Mass	Delta	RDB	Composition		
		(ppm)	equiv.	-		
1410.2650	1410.2650	-0.02	43.5	C 74 H 68 O 6 N 5 S 9		
	1410.2653	-0.17	33.5	C 67 H 76 O 3 N 7 S 12		
	1410.2644	0.47	53.0	С 80 Н 62 О 3 N 6 S 8		
	1410.2641	0.62	18.5	C 59 H 88 O 4 N 5 S 15		
	1410.2660	-0.66	24.0	C 61 H 82 O 6 N 6 S 13		
	1410.2639	0.78	28.5	C 66 H 80 O 7 N 3 S 12		
	1410.2666	-1.13	33.0	C 69 H 78 O 4 N 4 S 12		
	1410.2632	1.27	38.0	C 72 H 74 O 4 N 4 S 11		
	1410.2673	-1.61	23.5	C 63 H 84 O 7 N 3 S 13		
	1410.2626	1.73	29.0	C 64 H 78 O 6 N 6 S 12		



Figure S21. MS spectra report of compound 6b



Figure S22. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound 7a



Figure S23. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **7a** 

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Elemental composition search on mass 1710.08

m/z = 1705.08 - 1715.08

m/z	Theo. Mass	Delta	RDB	Composition
		(ppm)	equiv.	
1710.0824	1710.0824	-0.04	38.5	C 72 H 76 O 6 N 7 S 18
	1710.0820	0.24	32.5	C 72 H 84 O 5 N 3 S 20
	1710.0831	-0.42	47.5	C 80 H 72 O 4 N 5 S 17
	1710.0838	-0.82	38.0	C 74 H 78 O 7 N 4 S 18
	1710.0806	1.02	33.0	C 70 H 82 O 4 N 6 S 20
	1710.0804	1.15	43.0	C 77 H 74 O 7 N 4 S 17
	1710.0791	1.93	43.5	C 75 H 72 O 6 N 7 S 17
	1710.0858	-2.01	33.5	C 69 H 80 O 6 N 7 S 19
	1710.0786	2.21	37.5	C 75 H 80 O 5 N 3 S 19
	1710.0865	-2.39	42.5	C 77 H 76 O 4 N 5 S 18



Figure S24. MS spectra report of compound 7a







Figure S26. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **7b** 



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Instrument:Thermo Fisher ScientificLTQ FT UltraCard Serial Number :M20140578Operator :HUAQINDate:Operation Mode:MALDI\_DHB

Elemental composition search on mass 1798.14

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		(ppm)	equiv.			
1798.1366	1798.1371	-0.25	37.0	C 79 H 90 O 4 N 4 S 20		
	1798.1357	0.49	37.5	C 77 H 88 O 3 N 7 S 20		
	1798.1344	1.24	32.5	C 76 H 92 O 7 N 3 S 20		
	1798.1330	1.99	33.0	C 74 H 90 O 6 N 6 S 20		
	1798.1324	2.37	42.5	C <sub>80</sub> H <sub>84</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>7</sub> S <sub>19</sub>		
	1798.1310	3.11	37.5	C 79 H 88 O 7 N 3 S 19		
	1798.1423	-3.13	37.5	C 78 H 88 O 6 N 5 S 19		
	1798.1297	3.86	38.0	C 77 H 86 O 6 N 6 S 19		



Figure S27. MS spectra report of compound 7b







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Figure S28. The spectra changes of TTF-TCA compounds **6a** (up) and **6b** (down) ( $5.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M) in the presence Q ( $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$  M) upon addition of different equiv. Ag<sup>+</sup> ions in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (V/V = 1:1)



Figure S29. The spectra changes of TTF-TCA compounds **6a**, **6b**, **7a** and **7b** ( $5.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M) in the presence Q ( $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$  M) upon addition of different equiv. Cd<sup>2+</sup> ions in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (V/V = 1:1)



Figure S30. The spectra changes of TTF-TCA compounds **6a**, **6b**, **7a** and **7b** ( $5.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M) in the presence Q ( $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$  M) upon addition of different equiv. Cd<sup>2+</sup> ions in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (V/V = 1:1)



Figure S31. The spectra changes of TTF-TCA compounds **6a**, **6b**, **7a** and **7b** ( $5.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M) in the presence Q ( $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$  M) upon addition of different equiv. Sc<sup>3+</sup> ions in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (V/V = 1:1)



Figure S32. The spectra changes of TTF-TCA compounds **6a**, **6b**, **7a** and **7b** ( $5.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M) in the presence Q ( $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$  M) upon addition of different equiv. Pb<sup>2+</sup> ions in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (V/V = 1:1)



Scheme S1. Plausible mode of intermolecular electron transfer between TTF-TCA **6a** or **7a** and Q mediated by the added metal ions.