## New {RuNO} polyoxometalate [PW<sub>11</sub>O<sub>39</sub>Ru<sup>II</sup>(NO)]<sup>4-</sup> : synthesis and reactivity

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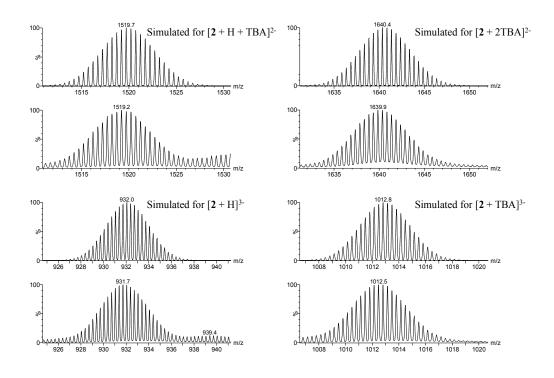
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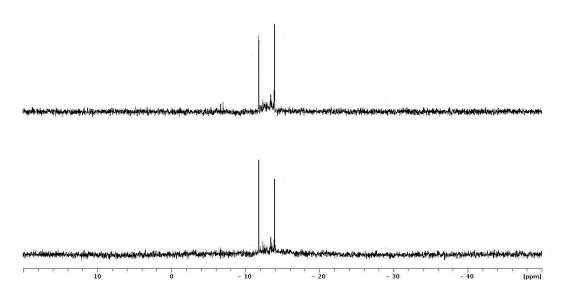
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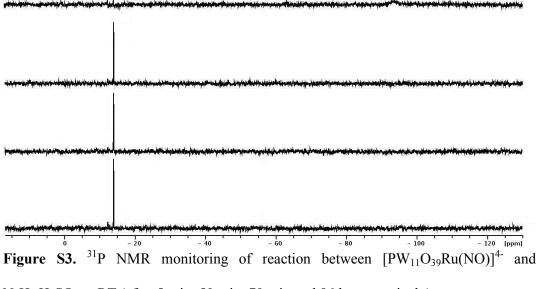
A Q-TOF premier mass spectrometer with an orthogonal Z-spray electrospray source (Waters, Manchester, UK) was used. The temperature of the source block was set to 100 °C and the desolvation temperature to 120 °C. A capillary voltage of 3.3 kV was used in the negative scan mode and the cone voltage was set to 5 V to control the extent of fragmentation of the identified species. TOF mass spectra were acquired in the W-mode operating at a resolution of ca. 15000 (FWHM). Mass calibration was performed using a solution of sodium iodide in isopropanol:water (50:50) from m/z 50 to 3000. Sample solutions were infused via syringe pump directly connected to the ESI source at a flow rate of 10  $\mu$ L/min. The observed isotopic pattern of each compound perfectly matched the theoretical isotope pattern calculated from their elemental composition using the MassLynx 4.1 program. For ESI tandem MS/MS experiments, the anions of interest were mass-selected using the first quadrupole (Q1) and interacted with argon in the T-wave collision cell at variable collision energies (CE = 0–20 eV). The ionic products of fragmentation were analyzed with the time-of-flight analyzer. The isolation width was reduced to mass-select a single isotopomer in the first quadrupole analyser.



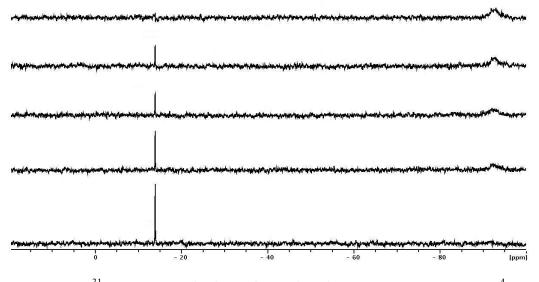
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 $N_2H_4{\cdot}H_2SO_4$  at RT (after 5 min, 50 min, 70 min and 96 h, respectively)



**Figure S4.** <sup>31</sup>P NMR monitoring of reaction between  $[PW_{11}O_{39}Ru(NO)]^{4-}$  and  $N_2H_4$ ·H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> at 60°C (after 2.5 h, 5 h, 6.5 h and 24 h)

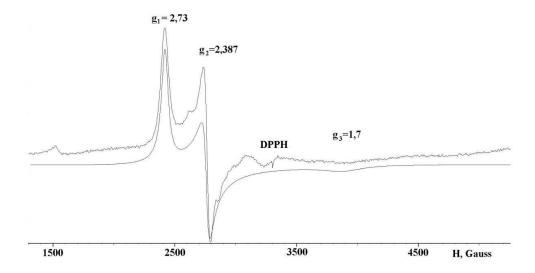
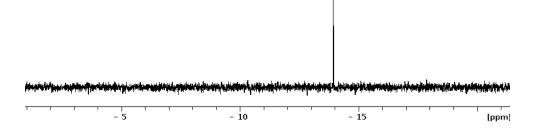


Figure S5. EPR spectrum of (Bu<sub>4</sub>N)<sub>4</sub>[PW<sub>11</sub>O<sub>39</sub>Ru<sup>III</sup>(NH<sub>3</sub>)]



**Figure S7.** <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra of  $[PW_{11}O_{39}Ru(NO)]^{4-}$  (solution after hydrothermal reaction between  $[PW_{11}O_{39}]^{7-}$  and  $K_2[Ru(NO)Cl_5]$ ,  $H_2O + D_2O$ )

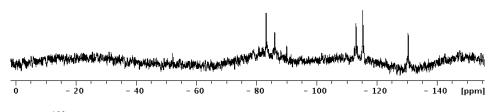
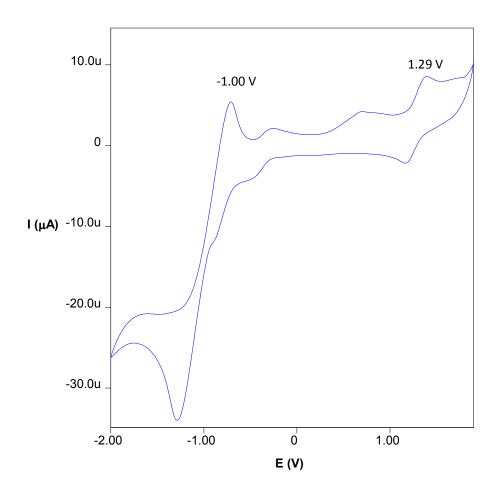


Figure S8. <sup>183</sup>W NMR spectra of (Bu<sub>4</sub>N)<sub>4</sub>[PW<sub>11</sub>O<sub>39</sub>Ru(NO)] (CD<sub>3</sub>CN)



**Figure S9.** The cyclic voltammogram of 1 in CH<sub>3</sub>CN in the potential route of  $-2 \leftrightarrow 1.8$  V (scan rate of 0.1 V/s).