## Excited-State Characteristics of Tetracyanidonitridorhenium(V) and -technetium(V) Complexes with N-heteroaromatic Ligands

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**Supporting Information** 

**Preparation of the Complexes.** (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(dmap)] (Re-dmap). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (39.5 mg, 0.0402 mmol) and dmap (169.5 mg, 1.387 mmol) were dissolved in 3 mL of acetonitrile, and then, 7 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether and left for 1 h in *vacuo*. Yield of **Re-dmap**: 39.4 mg (86.6%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>59</sub>H<sub>50</sub>N<sub>7</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Re·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 62.40; H, 4.11; N; 6.72. Found: C, 62.52; H, 4.29; N, 6.69. <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CDCl<sub>3</sub>:  $\delta$  8.30 – 8.23 (m, 2H, H<sub>o</sub> of dmap), 7.91 – 7.61 (m, 40H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub>), 6.42 – 6.34 (m, 2H, H<sub>m</sub> of dmap), 2.96 (s, 6H, -CH<sub>3</sub> of dmap). UV-vis in the solid state: 415 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2129 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2120 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2109 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 1609 ( $v_{ring(dmap)}$ ), 1531 ( $v_{ring(dmap)}$ ), 1385 ( $\delta_{C-H(dmap)}$ ), 1234 ( $\delta_{C-H(dmap)}$ ), 1070 ( $\delta_{C-H(dmap)}$ ), 1051 ( $\delta_{C-H(dmap)}$ ), 950 ( $\delta_{ring(dmap)}$ ), 810 ( $\gamma_{ring(dmap)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(lut)] (Re-lut). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (97.5 mg, 0.0992 mmol) and lut (400 µL, 3.51 mmol) were dissolved in 2 mL of dichloromethane, and then, the solution was evaporated slowly. The solution was left for several hours to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether and left for 1 h in *vacuo*. Yield of **Re-lut**: 100.0 mg (92.5%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>59</sub>H<sub>49</sub>N<sub>6</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Re: C, 65.00; H, 4.53; N; 7.71. Found: C, 65.12; H, 4.46; N, 7.77. <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CDCl<sub>3</sub>:  $\delta$  8.58 (s, 2H, H<sub>o</sub> of lut), 7.90 – 7.61 (m, 40H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub>), 7.21 (s, 1H, H<sub>p</sub> of lut), 2.24 (s, 6H, -CH<sub>3</sub> of lut). UV-vis in the solid state: 417 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2127 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2116 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2107 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 1646 ( $\nu_{ring(lut)}$ ), 1636 ( $\nu_{ring(lut)}$ ), 1383 ( $\delta_{C-H(lut)}$ ), 1063 ( $\delta_{ring(lut)}$ ), 866 ( $\gamma_{ring(lut)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(pic)] (Re-pic). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (141.4 mg, 0.1438 mmol) and pic (1000 µL, 10.3 mmol) were dissolved in 1 mL of dichloromethane, and then, the solution was evaporated slowly. The solution was left for several hours to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with dichloromethane and left for 1 h in *vacuo*. Yield of **Re-pic**: 70.2 mg (42.1%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>58</sub>H<sub>47</sub>N<sub>6</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Re·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 61.03; H, 4.25; N; 7.24. Found: C, 61.18; H, 4.26; N, 7.39. <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CDCl<sub>3</sub>:  $\delta$  8.50 – 8.47 (m, 2H, H<sub>o</sub> of pic), 7.90 – 7.61 (m, 40H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub>), 7.21 (m, 2H, H<sub>m</sub> of pic), 2.33 (s, 3H, -CH<sub>3</sub> of pic). UV-vis in the solid state: 416 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2127 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2117 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2108 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 1615 ( $\nu_{ring(pic)}$ ), 1604 ( $\nu_{ring(pic)}$ ), 1073 ( $\delta_{ring(pic)}$ ), 1064 ( $\delta_{ring(pic)}$ ), 1003( $\delta_{ring(pic)}$ ), 812 ( $\gamma_{ring(pic)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(ppy)] (Re-ppy). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (36.0 mg, 0.0366 mmol) and ppy (134.6 mg, 0.8673 mmol) were dissolved in 2 mL of acetonitrile, and then, 8 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals, and the crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield of **Re-ppy**: 36.3 mg (79.8%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>63</sub>H<sub>49</sub>N<sub>6</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Re·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 61.93; H, 4.30; N; 6.77. Found: C, 61.85; H, 4.28; N, 6.86. <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CD<sub>3</sub>CN:  $\delta$  8.69 – 8.65 (m, 2H, ppy), 7.96 – 7.40 (m, 47H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub> and ppy). UV-vis in the solid state: 421 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2130 ( $\nu$ <sub>C=N</sub>), 2115 ( $\nu$ <sub>C=N</sub>), 2104 ( $\nu$ <sub>C=N</sub>), 1601 ( $\nu$ <sub>ring(ppy)</sub>), 1412 ( $\nu$ <sub>ring(ppy)</sub>), 1287 ( $\delta$ <sub>C-H(ppy)</sub>), 1230 ( $\delta$ <sub>C-H(ppy)</sub>), 1065 ( $\delta$ <sub>ring(ppy)</sub>), 835 ( $\gamma$ <sub>C-H(ppy)</sub>) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(py)] (Re-py). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (66.2 mg, 0.0673 mmol) was dissolved in 5 mL of py, and then, 15 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals which were collected and washed with diethyl ether. Yield of Re-py: 75.3 mg (95.8%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>57</sub>H<sub>45</sub>N<sub>6</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Re·C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>N·1.5H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 63.74; H, 4.57; N; 8.39. Found: C, 63.56; H, 4.51; N, 8.39. <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CDCl<sub>3</sub>:  $\delta$  8.68 – 8.64 (m, 4H, H<sub>o</sub> of py), 7.92 – 7.58 (m, 42H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub> and H<sub>p</sub> of py), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 4H, H<sub>m</sub> of py). UV-vis in the solid state: 414 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2127 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2109 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 1594 ( $\nu_{ring(py)}$ ), 1224 ( $\delta_{C-H(py)}$ ), 1151 ( $\nu_{ring(py)}$ ), 1135 ( $\delta_{C-H(py)}$ ), 1064 ( $\delta_{C-H(py)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(3bzpy)] (Re-3bzpy). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (30.0 mg, 0.0305 mmol) and 3bzpy (183.0 mg, 0.999 mmol) were dissolved in 3 mL of dichloromethane, and then, 10 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals, the crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield of **Re-3bzpy**: 31.1 mg (87.5%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>64</sub>H<sub>49</sub>N<sub>6</sub>OP<sub>2</sub>Re·0.4CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: C, 64.45; H, 4.18; N; 7.00. Found: C, 64.65; H, 4.36; N, 6.81. <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CD<sub>3</sub>CN:  $\delta$  8.96 (s, 1H, H<sub>o</sub> of 3bzpy), 8.82 (d, 1H, H<sub>o</sub> of 3bzpy), 8.08 (m, 1H, H<sub>p</sub> of 3bzpy), 7.53 – 7.93 (m, 45H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub> and 3bzpy), 7.47 (m, 1H, H<sub>m</sub> of 3bzpy). UV-vis in the solid state: 410 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2100 (v<sub>C=N</sub>), 1652 (v<sub>C=O(3bzpy)</sub>), 1286 (v<sub>ring(3bzpy)</sub>) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(bpy)] (Re-bpy). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (41.5 mg, 0.0422 mmol) and bpy (448.7 mg, 2.873 mmol) were dissolved in 4 mL of acetonitrile, and then, 6 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals, and the crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield of **Re-bpy**: 36.9 mg (73.0%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>62</sub>H<sub>48</sub>N<sub>7</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Re·0.5CH<sub>3</sub>CN·2H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 63.28; H, 4.51; N; 8.78. Found: C, 63.28; H, 4.54; N, 8.82. <sup>1</sup>H NMR in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>:  $\delta$  8.72 – 8.66 (m, 4H, bpy), 8.00 – 7.58 (m, 44H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub> and bpy). UV-vis in the solid state: 425 (sh) nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2128 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2102 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 1532 ( $\nu_{ring(bpy)}$ ), 1409 ( $\nu_{ring(bpy)}$ ), 1222 ( $\delta_{C-H(bpy)}$ ), 1079 ( $\delta_{ring(bpy)}$ ), 1066 ( $\delta_{ring(bpy)}$ ), 1028 ( $\delta_{ring(bpy)}$ ), 817 ( $\gamma_{C-H(bpy)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(pz)] (Re-pz). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (53.6 mg, 0.0545 mmol) and pz (624.0 mg, 7.791 mmol) were dissolved in 2 mL of dichloromethane, and then, 8 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether and left for 1 h in *vacuo*. Yield of Re-pz: 44.8 mg (74.1%). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>56</sub>H<sub>44</sub>N<sub>7</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Re·2.5H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 60.69; H, 4.46; N; 8.85. Found: C, 60.55; H, 4.35; N, 8.92. <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CDCl<sub>3</sub>:  $\delta$  8.58 (s, 4H of pz), 7.91 – 7.60 (m, 40H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub>). UV-vis in the solid state: 408 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2128 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2117 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2109 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 1417 ( $v_{ring(pz)}$ ), 1151 ( $v_{ring(pz)}$ ), 1135 ( $\delta_{C-H(pz)}$ ), 1070 ( $\delta_{C-H(pz)}$ ), 1033 ( $\delta_{ring(pz)}$ ), 797 ( $\gamma_{C-H(pz)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

 $(PPh_4)_2[ReN(CN)_4(cpy)]$  (Re-cpy).  $(PPh_4)_2[ReN(CN)_4]$  (54.9 mg, 0.0558 mmol) and cpy (478.7 mg, 4.598 mmol) were dissolved in 3 mL of dichloromethane, and then, 7 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form orange crystals which were collected and washed with diethyl ether and left for 1 h in *vacuo*. Yield of **Re-cpy**: 36.9 mg (52.7%). Anal. Calcd for

 $C_{58}H_{44}N_7P_2Re \cdot 2CH_2Cl_2$ : C, 57.33; H, 3.85; N; 7.80. Found: C, 57.43; H, 3.91; N, 7.95. <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CDCl\_3:  $\delta$  8.95 – 8.92 (m, 2H, H<sub>o</sub> of cpy), 7.91 – 7.58 (m, 40H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub>) 7.39 – 7.36 (m, 2H, H<sub>m</sub> of cpy). UV-vis in the solid state: 402, 465 (sh) nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2137 ( $v_{C=N(cpy)}$ ), 2125 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2109 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 1599 ( $v_{ring(cpy)}$ ), 1543 ( $v_{ring(cpy)}$ ), 1415 ( $v_{ring(cpy)}$ ), 1407 ( $v_{ring(cpy)}$ ), 1077 ( $\delta_{C-H(cpy)}$ ), 1067 ( $\delta_{C-H(cpy)}$ ), 831 ( $\gamma_{C-H(cpy)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(4bzpy)] (Re-4bzpy). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[ReN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (40.6 mg, 0.0413 mmol) and bzpy (189.1 mg, 1.032 mmol) were dissolved in 2 mL of dichloromethane, and then, 8 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield of **Re-4bzpy**: 43.7 mg (87.7%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CDCl<sub>3</sub>:  $\delta$  8.81 – 8.77 (m, 2H, 4bzpy), 7.99 – 7.52 (m, 47H, phenyl of PPh<sub>4</sub> and 4bzpy). UV-vis in the solid state: 460 (sh) nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2123 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2108 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2101 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 1664 ( $\nu_{C=O(4bzpy)}$ ), 1409 ( $\nu_{ring(4bzpy)}$ ), 1280 ( $\nu_{ring(4bzpy)}$ ), 1222 ( $\delta_{C-H(4bzpy)}$ ), 1077 ( $\delta_{C-H(4bzpy)}$ ), 1063 ( $\delta_{C-H(4bzpy)}$ ), 1007 ( $\delta_{ring(4bzpy)}$ ), 945 ( $\delta_{ring(4bzpy)}$ ), 935 ( $\gamma_{C-H(4bzpy)}$ ), 799 ( $\gamma_{C-H(4bzpy)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(dmap)] (Tc-dmap). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (6.12 mg, 6.83 µmol) and dmap (124.17 mg, 1.0164 mmol) were dissolved in 1 mL of acetonitrile, and then, 4 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield of **Tc-dmap**: 5.08 mg (73.1%). UV-vis in the solid state: 413 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2129 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2120 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2109 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 1609 ( $v_{ring(dmap)}$ ), 1531 ( $v_{ring(dmap)}$ ), 1385 ( $\delta_{C-H(dmap)}$ ), 1234 ( $\delta_{C-H(dmap)}$ ), 1070 ( $\delta_{C-H(dmap)}$ ), 1051 ( $\delta_{C-H(dmap)}$ ), 950 ( $\delta_{ring(dmap)}$ ), 810 ( $\gamma_{ring(dmap)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(lut)] (Tc-lut). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (7.67 mg, 8.56 µmol) and lut (100 µL, 0.876 mmol) were dissolved in 100 µL of dichloromethane. The solution was evaporated slowly. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield of Tc-lut: 3.31 mg (38.6%). UV-vis in the solid state: 410 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2127 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2116 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2107 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 1646 ( $v_{ring(lut)}$ ), 1636 ( $v_{ring(lut)}$ ), 1383 ( $\delta_{C-H(lut)}$ ), 1063 ( $\delta_{ring(lut)}$ ), 866 ( $\gamma_{ring(lut)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(**PPh**<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[**TcN**(**CN**)<sub>4</sub>(**pic**)] (**Tc-pic**). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (3.10 mg, 3.46 µmol) and pic (50 µL, 0.51 mmol) were dissolved in 50 µL of dichloromethane. The solution was evaporated slowly. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield: 1.54 mg (45.1%). UV-vis in the solid state: 421 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2127 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2117 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2108 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 1615 ( $v_{ring(pic)}$ ), 1604 ( $v_{ring(pic)}$ ), 1073 ( $\delta_{ring(pic)}$ ), 1064 ( $\delta_{ring(pic)}$ ), 1003( $\delta_{ring(pic)}$ ), 812 ( $\gamma_{ring(pic)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(py)] (Tc-py). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (4.40 mg, 4.91 µmol) was dissolved in 0.75 mL of py, and then, 4 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield of Tc-py: 4.53 mg (94.7%). UV-vis in the solid state: 415 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2127 ( $v_{C\equiv N}$ ), 2109 ( $v_{C\equiv N}$ ), 1594 ( $v_{ring(py)}$ ), 1224 ( $\delta_{C-H(py)}$ ), 1151 ( $v_{ring(py)}$ ), 1135 ( $\delta_{C-H(py)}$ ), 1064 ( $\delta_{C-H(py)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(pz)] (Tc-pz). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (10.05 mg, 11.22 µmol) and pz (162.95 mg, 2.0346 mmol) were dissolved in 1 mL of dichloromethane, and then, 4 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield of Tc-pz: 10.69 mg (97.6%). UV-vis in the solid state: 420 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2128 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2117 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 2109 ( $\nu_{C=N}$ ), 1417 ( $\nu_{ring(pz)}$ ), 1151 ( $\nu_{ring(pz)}$ ), 1135 ( $\delta_{C-H(pz)}$ ), 1070 ( $\delta_{C-H(pz)}$ ), 1033 ( $\delta_{ring(pz)}$ ), 797 ( $\gamma_{C-H(pz)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>(cpy)] (Tc-cpy). (PPh<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>[TcN(CN)<sub>4</sub>] (9.14 mg, 10.2 µmol) and cpy (161.68 mg, 1.5530 mmol) were dissolved in 1 mL of dichloromethane, and then, 4 mL of diethyl ether was layered on the solution. The solution was left for several days to form yellow crystals. The crystals collected were washed with diethyl ether. Yield of Tc-cpy: 9.52 mg (80.6%). UV-vis in the solid state: 407 nm. IR (KBr pellet): 2237 ( $v_{C=N(cpy)}$ ), 2125 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 2109 ( $v_{C=N}$ ), 1599 ( $v_{ring(cpy)}$ ), 1543 ( $v_{ring(cpy)}$ ), 1415 ( $v_{ring(cpy)}$ ), 1407 ( $v_{ring(cpy)}$ ), 1077 ( $\delta_{C-H(cpy)}$ ), 1067 ( $\delta_{C-H(cpy)}$ ), 831 ( $\gamma_{C-H(cpy)}$ ) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

	Re-dmap	Re-lut	Re-pic	Re-ppy	Re-py	Re-3bzpy
Formula	C <sub>63</sub> H <sub>56</sub> N <sub>9</sub> OP <sub>2</sub> Re	C <sub>61</sub> H <sub>53</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> N <sub>6</sub> P <sub>2</sub> Re	C <sub>59</sub> H <sub>49</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>6</sub> P <sub>2</sub> Re	C <sub>65</sub> H <sub>53</sub> N <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> P <sub>2</sub> Re	C <sub>62</sub> H <sub>50</sub> N <sub>7</sub> OP <sub>2</sub> Re	$C_{64}H_{49}N_6O_2P_2Re$
F.W.	1203.34	1260.10	1161.14	1308.14	1157.28	1182.28
Space group	<i>P</i> -1	Сс	$P2_1/a$	Pna2 <sub>1</sub>	Pnma	<i>P</i> -1
a∕Å	11.017(2)	28.4518(6)	17.6081(2)	17.8025(18)	17.3282(6)	14.2377(3)
b/Å	11.119(2)	12.2466(4)	13.5650(2)	13.3672(14)	23.0629(6)	14.7409(2)
c/Å	24.848(4)	20.5026(5)	22.8090(5)	25.167(4)	13.5233(4)	15.8576(5)
α/deg	80.171(7)					108.5155(6)
β/deg	80.257(6)	120.4628(6)	101.7600(5)			99.8394(6)
γ/deg	76.629(6)					114.9721(6)
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	2891.0(9)	5745.4(3)	5333.66(16)	5989.1(12)	5404.4(3)	2674.75(12)
Z	2	4	4	4	4	2
T/	-103.0	-103.0	-103.0	-103.0	-103.0	-103.0
$\rho_{calc}/gcm^{-3}$	1.382	1.457	1.446	1.451	1.422	1.468
$\mu/mm^{-1}$	2.207	2.401	2.483	2.307	2.357	2.384
<i>R</i> 1	0.0996	0.0609	0.0278	0.0815	0.0365	0.0351
wR2	0.2632	0.1731	0.0657	0.2556	0.0770	0.0965
GOF	1.173	1.043	1.065	1.056	0.848	1.094

Table S1. Crystallographic Data of Re-dmap, Re-lut, Re-pic, Re-ppy, Re-py, and Re-3bzpy

	Re-bpy	Re-pz	Re-сру	Re-4bzpy	Тс-сру
Formula	C <sub>62</sub> H <sub>47</sub> N <sub>7</sub> O <sub>3</sub> P <sub>2</sub> Re	C <sub>57.5</sub> H <sub>47</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> N <sub>7</sub> P <sub>2</sub> Re	$C_{60}H_{48}Cl_4N_7P_2Re$	C <sub>66</sub> H <sub>52</sub> N <sub>7</sub> OP <sub>2</sub> Re	$C_{60}H_{48}Cl_4N_7P_2Tc$
F.W.	1186.25	1190.56	1257.05	1207.34	1167.85
Space group	P21/c	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> -1
a/Å	14.0874(3)	12.6241(2)	13.9026(3)	12.8223(3)	13.9373(3)
b/Å	22.1900(7)	12.7121(2)	14.1565(3)	14.4774(3)	14.1798(4)
c/Å	18.1072(5)	33.8633(5)	16.0409(5)	18.3372(5)	16.0434(5)
α∕deg		80.4592(5)	110.4661(8)	68.6593(6)	110.5469(11)
β/deg	105.8863(7)	85.2153(5)	90.2934(8)	81.9011(8)	90.2077(9)
γ/deg		82.1026(5)	107.0898(6)	62.2832(7)	107.3319(7)
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	5444.1(3)	5298.11(15)	2806.58(13)	2805.13(12)	2813.29(14)
Z	4	4	2	2	2
T/	-103.0	-103.0	-103.0	-103.0	-103.0
$ ho_{calc}/gcm^{-3}$	1.447	1.492	1.487	1.429	1.379
µ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.345	2.551	2.458	2.274	0.545
<i>R</i> 1	0.0673	0.0307	0.0386	0.0589	0.0590
wR2	0.1554	0.0774	0.1061	0.1576	0.1652
GOF	1.037	1.091	1.180	1.069	1.086

Table S2. Crystallographic Data of Re-bpy, Re-pz, Re-cpy, Re-4bzpy, and Tc-cpy

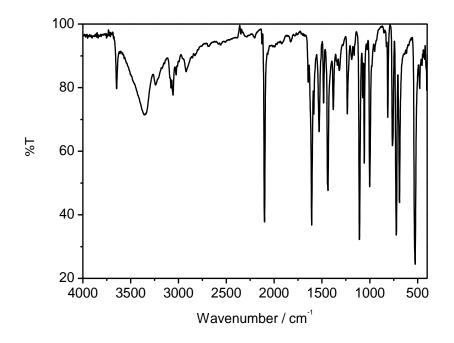


Figure S1. IR spectrum of **Re-dmap** in the solid state.

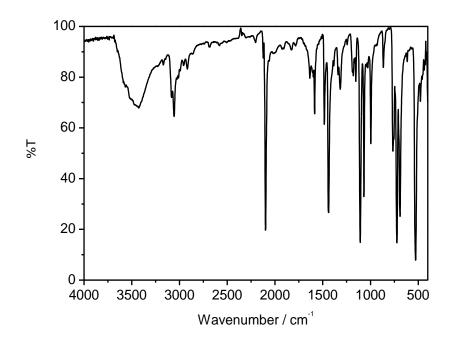


Figure S2. IR spectrum of **Re-lut** in the solid state.

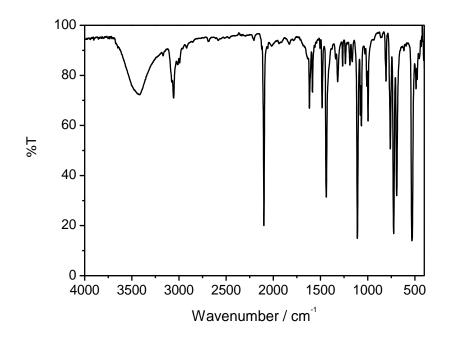


Figure S3. IR spectrum of **Re-pic** in the solid state.

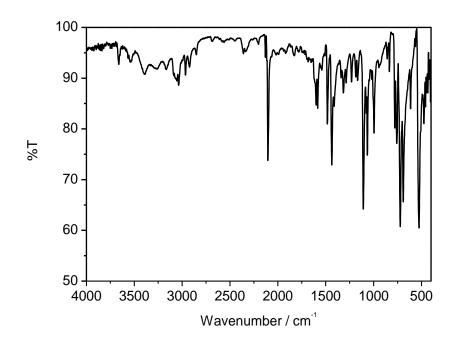


Figure S4. IR spectrum of Re-ppy in the solid state.

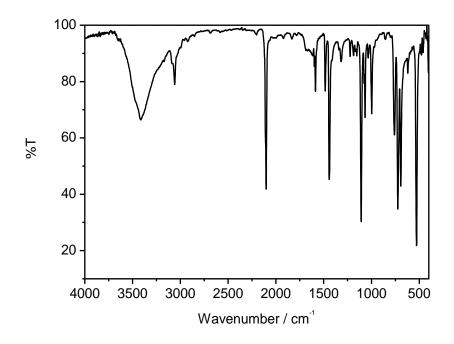


Figure S5. IR spectrum of **Re-py** in the solid state.

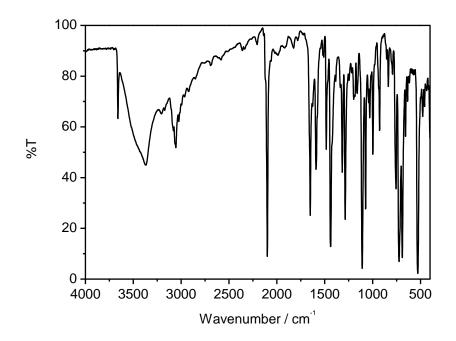


Figure S6. IR spectrum of Re-3bzpy in the solid state.

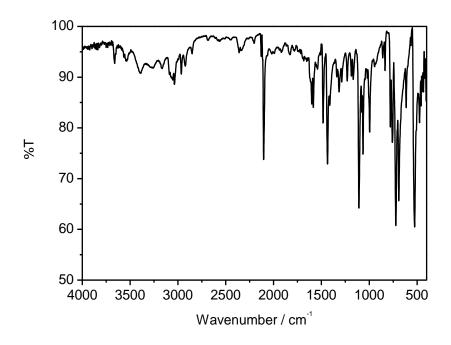


Figure S7. IR spectrum of **Re-bpy** in the solid state.

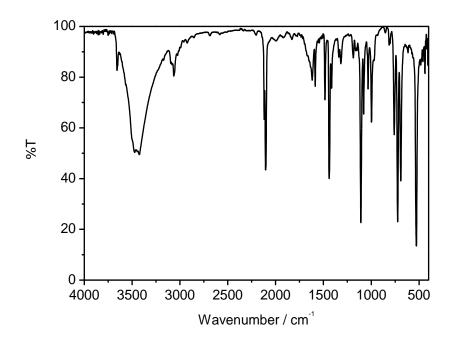


Figure S8. IR spectrum of Re-pz in the solid state.

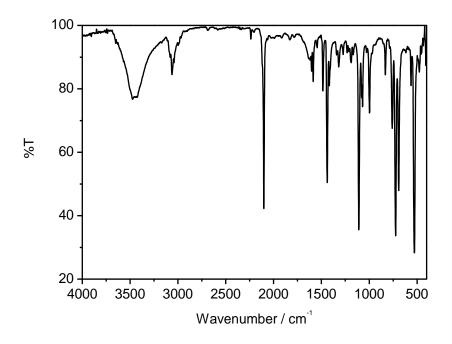


Figure S9. IR spectrum of Re-cpy in the solid state.

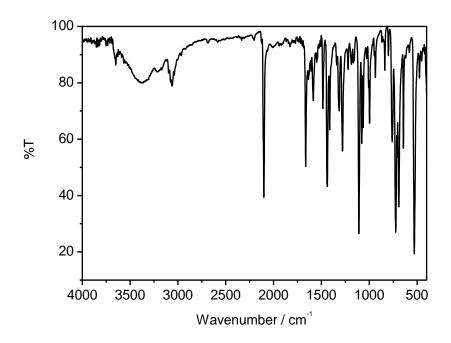


Figure S10. IR spectrum of Re-4bzpy in the solid state.

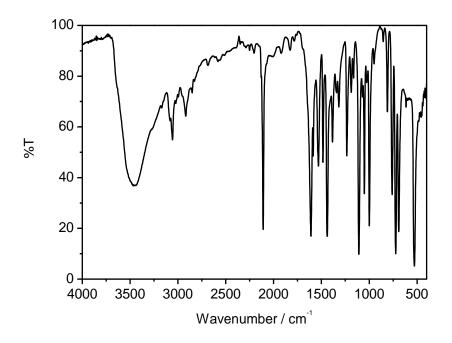


Figure S11. IR spectrum of Tc-dmap in the solid state.

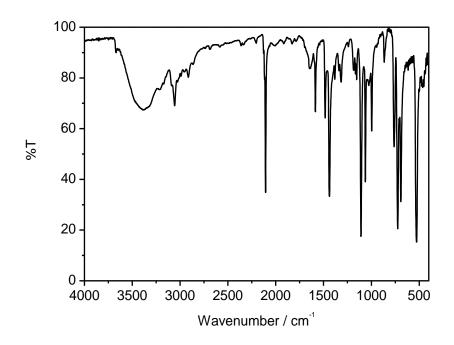


Figure S12. IR spectrum of Tc-lut in the solid state.

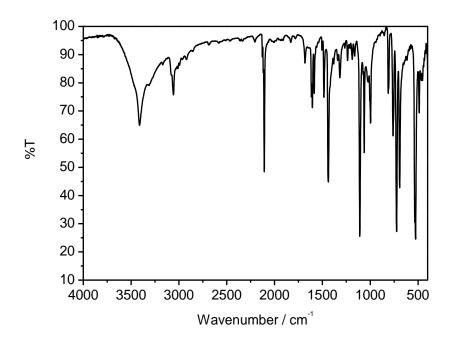


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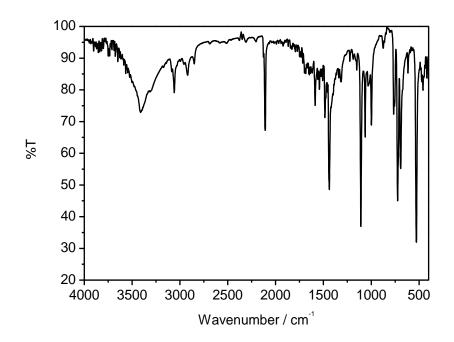


Figure S14. IR spectrum of Tc-py in the solid state.

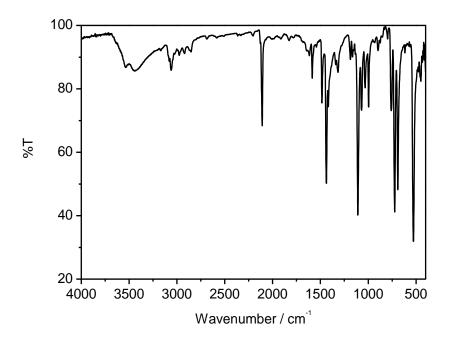


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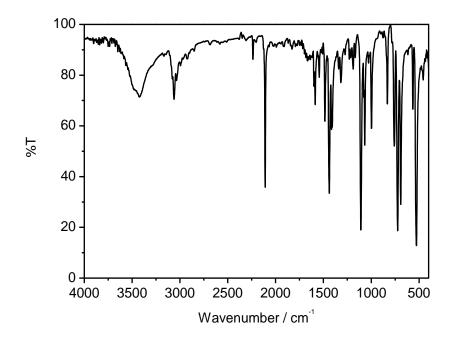
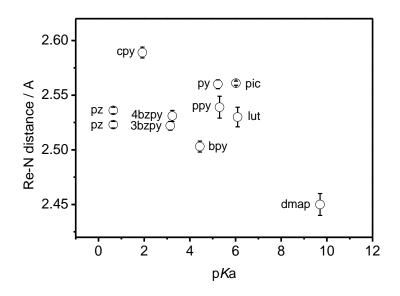


Figure S16. IR spectrum of Tc-cpy in the solid state.



**Figure S17.** Plot of  $pK_a$  of free ligand against the Re-N bond distance (Å). Two **Re-pz** anions exist in the asymmetric unit of the crystal lattice.

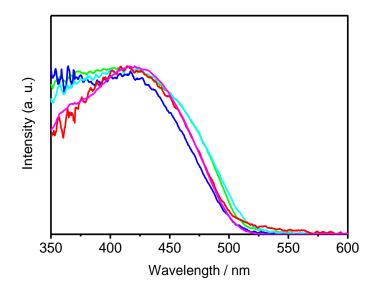


Figure S18. UV-vis reflectance spectra of **Re-dmap** (lime green), **Re-lut** (blue), **Re-pic** (cyan), **Re-ppy** (magenta), and **Re-py** (red) in the solid state.

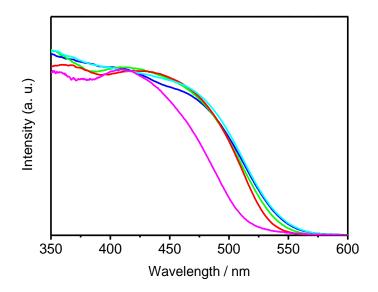


Figure S19. UV-vis reflectance spectra of **Re-3bzpy** (magenta), **Re-bpy** (red), **Re-pz** (lime green), **Re-cpy** (blue), and **Re-4bzpy** (cyan) in the solid state.

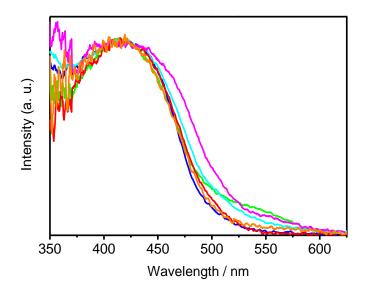


Figure S20. UV-vis reflectance spectra of Tc-dmap (lime green), Tc-lut (blue), Tc-pic (cyan), Tc-py (red), Tc-pz (magenta), and Tc-cpy (orange) in the solid state.