

# Bimetallic Perthiocarbonate Complex of Cobalt: Synthesis, Structure and Bonding

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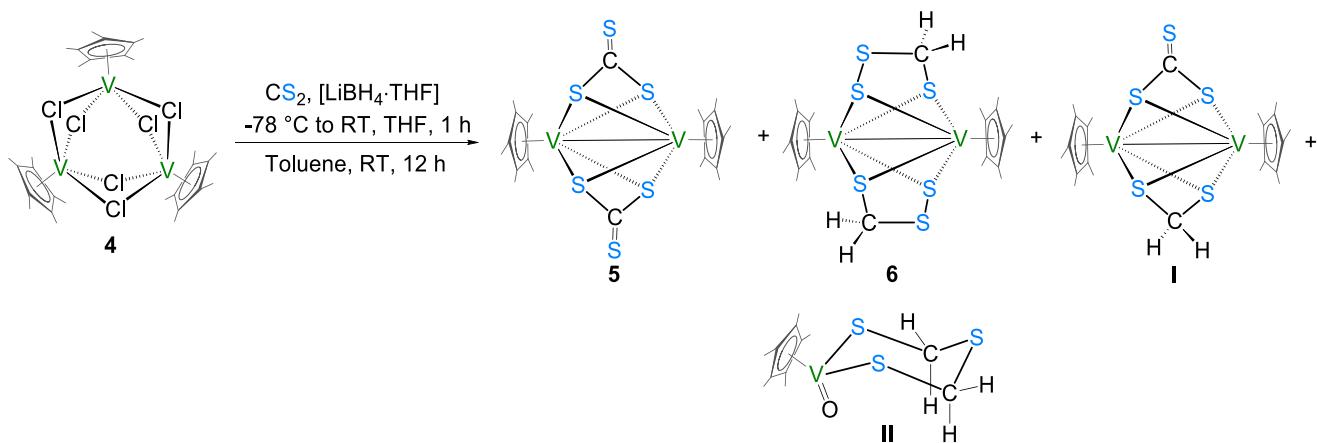
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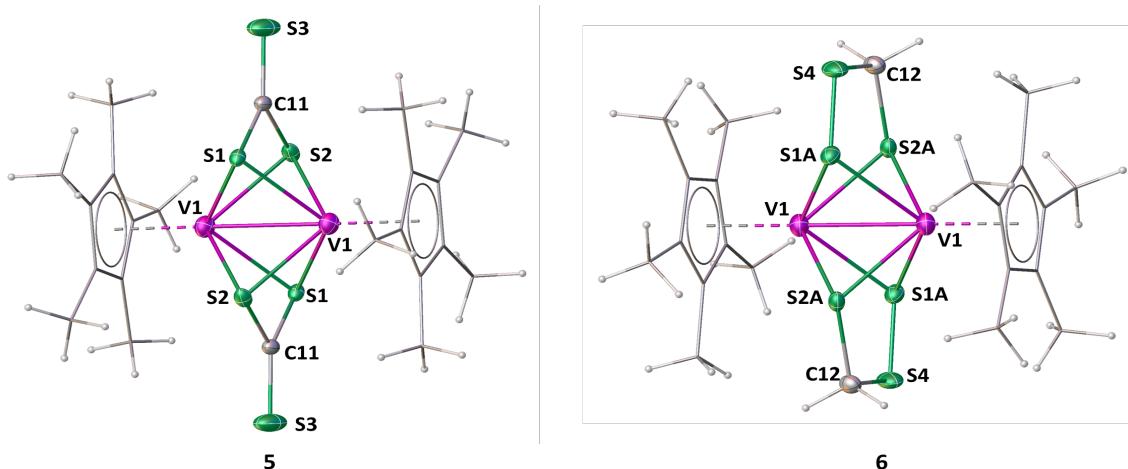
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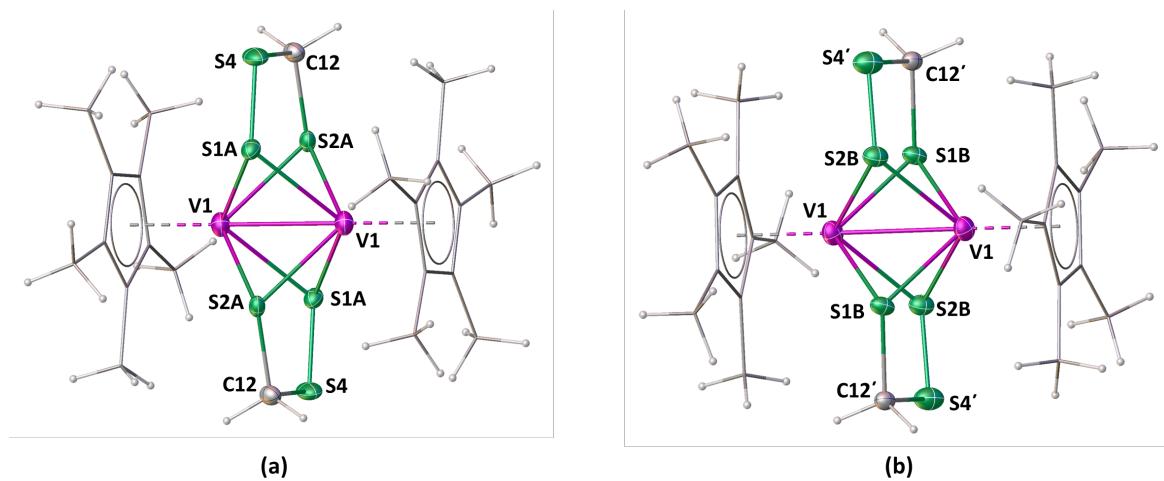
**Scheme S1.** Synthesis of the vanadium thiolate complexes **5** and **6**.

**Synthesis of 5 and 6.** In a pre-dried Schlenk tube,  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{VCl}_3]$  (**4**) (0.10 g, 0.13 mmol) was suspended in 10 mL toluene. To this suspension of **4**, a freshly prepared *in situ* intermediate from  $\text{CS}_2$  and  $[\text{LiBH}_4\cdot\text{THF}]$  was added dropwise at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was then kept under constant stirring at room temperature 18 hours. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the solid residue was extracted using *n*-hexane/THF (80:20 v/v) followed by separating and purifying through silica-gel coated TLC plates. Elution with *n*-hexane/toluene (80:20 v/v) yielded **5** and **6** (0.002 g, 4%) as a yellow solid along with the earlier reported yellow **I** (0.006 g, 12%) [1] and purple **II** (0.014 g, 11%) complexes [2].

## A. Supplementary Data

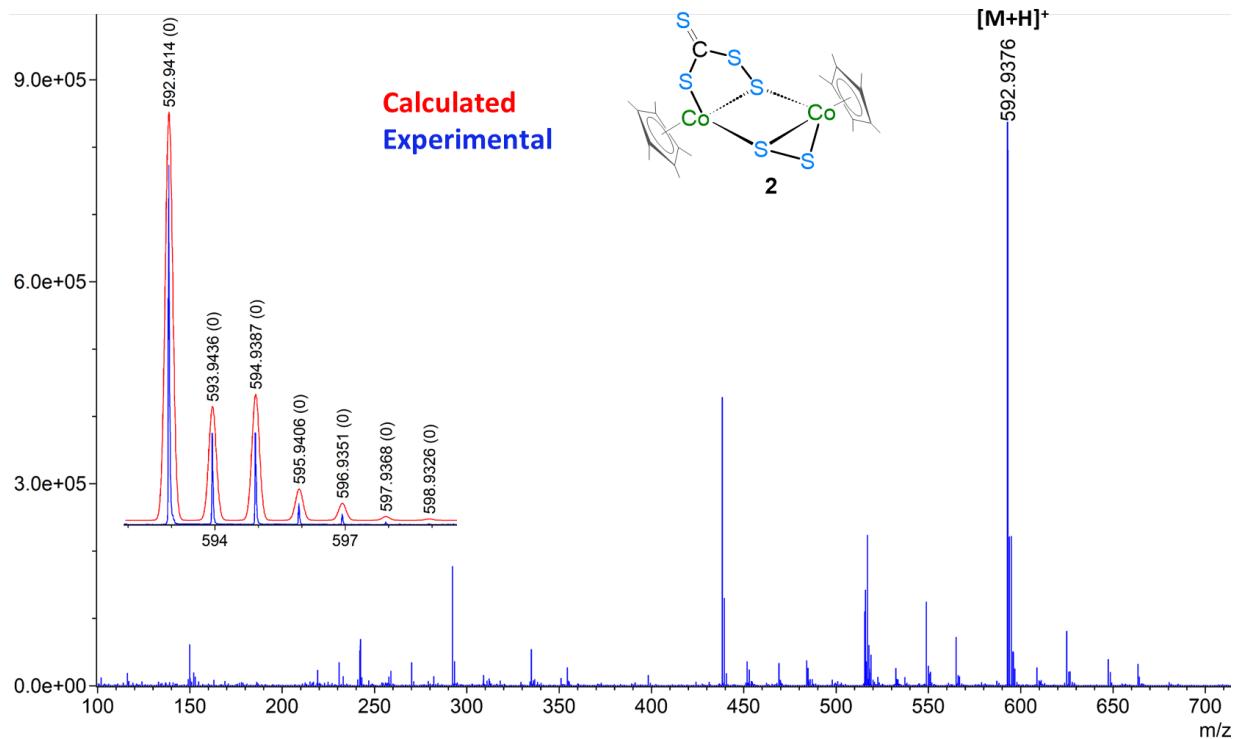


**Figure S1.** Molecular structure and labeling diagrams of **5** (left) and **6** (right) (co-crystallized in the same crystallographic unit). Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and bond angles ( $^\circ$ ): **5:**  $\text{V1-V1}$  2.570,  $\text{V1-S1}$  2.432(9),  $\text{V1-S1}$  2.438(8),  $\text{C11-S3}$  1.611(6),  $\text{C11-S2}$  1.792(13),  $\text{C11-S1}$  1.842(11),  $\text{S1-C11-S2}$  105.5(5),  $\text{V1-S1-V1}$  63.7(2),  $\text{V1-S2-V1}$  63.3(2),  $\text{S1-V1-S1}$  116.3(2),  $\text{S2-C11-S1}$  105.5(5),  $\text{C11-S1-V1}$  83.9(3),  $\text{C11-S2-V1}$  84.4(4). **6:**  $\text{V1-V1}$  2.570,  $\text{S1A-S4}$  1.805(18),  $\text{V1-S2A}$  2.43(2),  $\text{C12-S4}$  2.045 (17),  $\text{C12-S2A}$  1.80(3),  $\text{S1A-S4}$  1.805(18);  $\text{S2A-C12-S4}$  105.9(11),  $\text{S1A-S4-C12}$  102.5(9),  $\text{S4-S1A-V1}$  116.6(11),  $\text{V1-S1A-V1}$  62.4(6),  $\text{V1-S2A-V1}$  63.4(5).

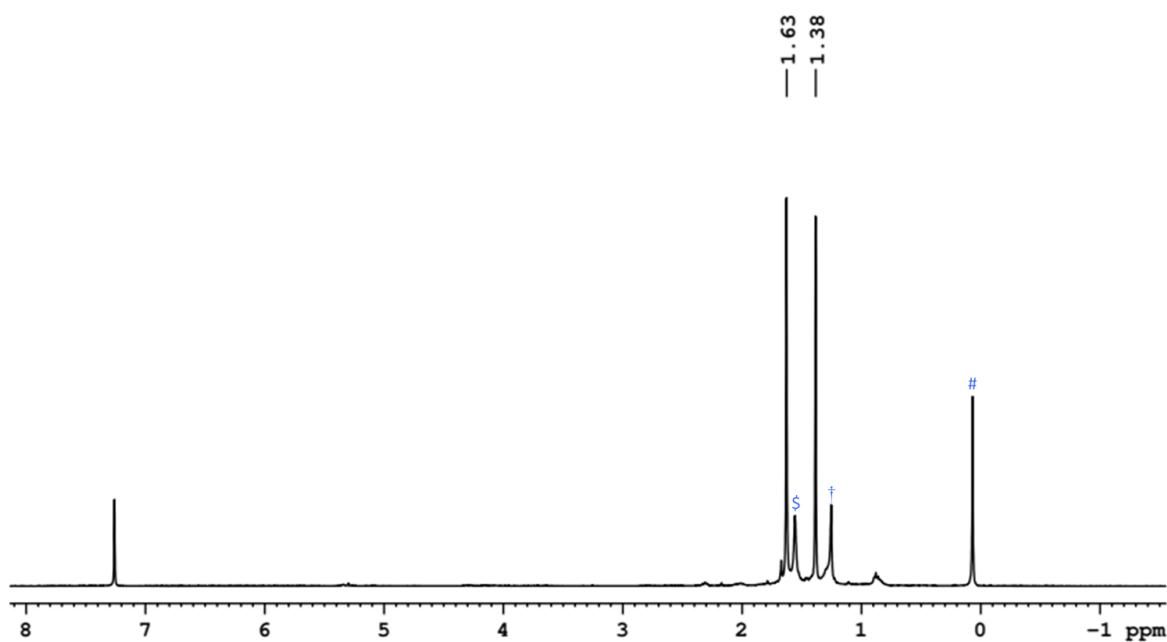


**Figure S2.** Molecular structure and labeling diagram of **6** with site occupancy ratio of (a):(b) = 0.31:0.13. Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) are: (a): V1-S2A 2.43(2), C12-S4 2.045 (17), C12-S2A 1.80(3), S1A-S4 1.805(18); S2A-C12-S4 105.9(11), C12-S4-S1A 102.5(9); (b): V1-S2B 2.37(3), C12'-S4' 1.93 (4), C12'-S1B 1.84(5), S2B-S4' 1.80(2); S1B-C12'-S4' 106.0(3), C12'-S4'-S2B 102.0(18).

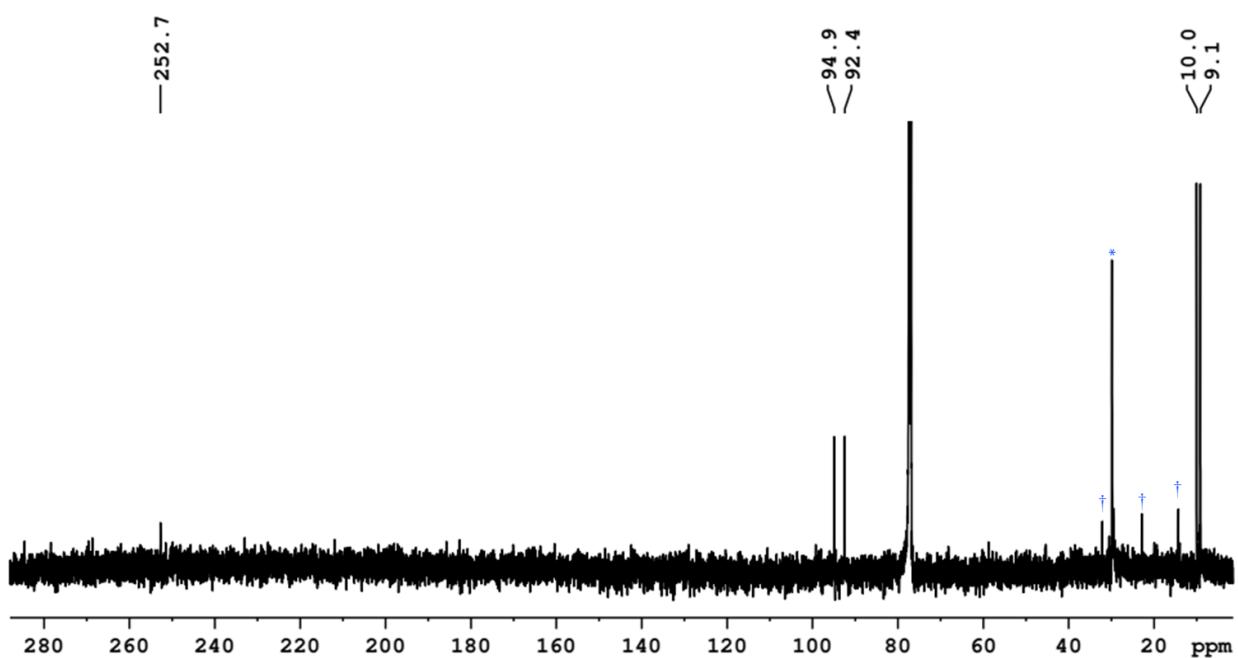
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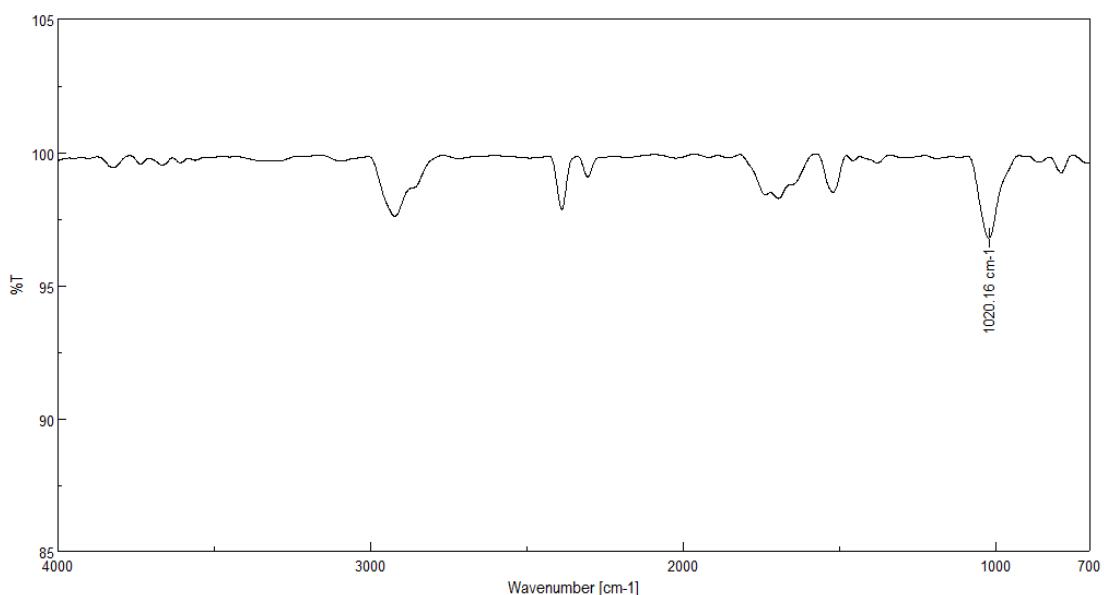
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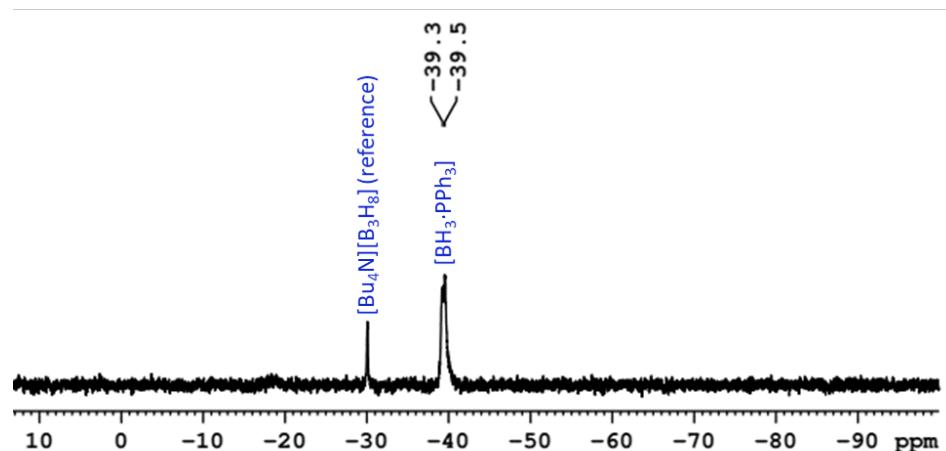
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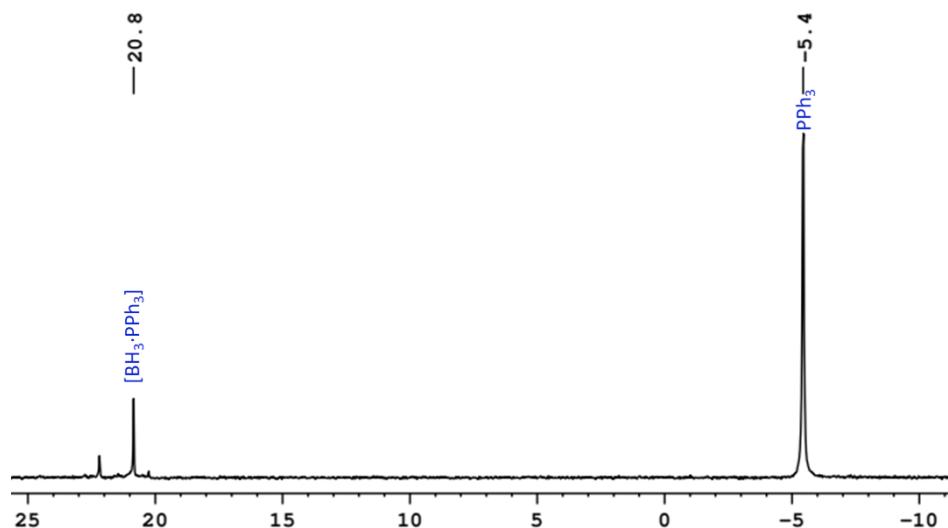
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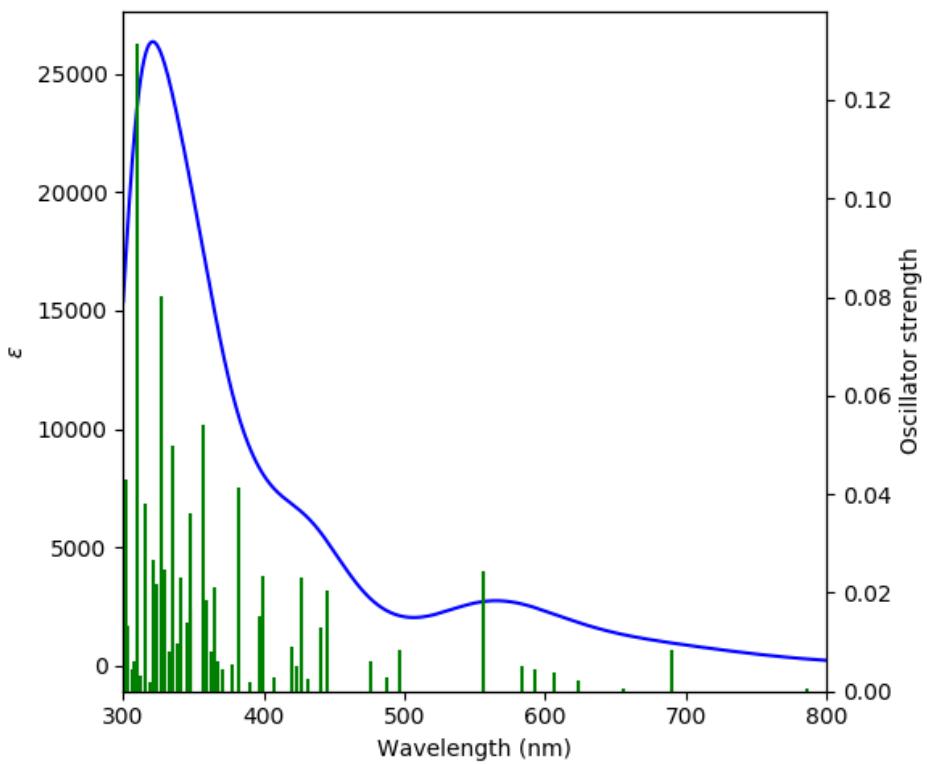
$d_{\text{M–M}}$ (Å)	$d_{\text{M–S}}$ (Å)	$\angle \text{M–S–M}$ (°)	WBI (M–M)	$q_{\text{M}}$	$q_{\text{S}}$	$\text{Pop}$ (M <sub>val</sub> )	$\text{Pop}$ (S <sub>val</sub> )	$\Delta E_{\text{H–L}}$ (eV)
3.390	2.267	94.832		-0.454	-0.052	9.423	6.029	3.192
	2.283	97.317		-0.369	0.192	9.335	5.754	
	2.261				0.179		5.785	
	2.320				0.146		5.807	
	2.254				0.262		5.678	
	2.264				-0.153		6.110	

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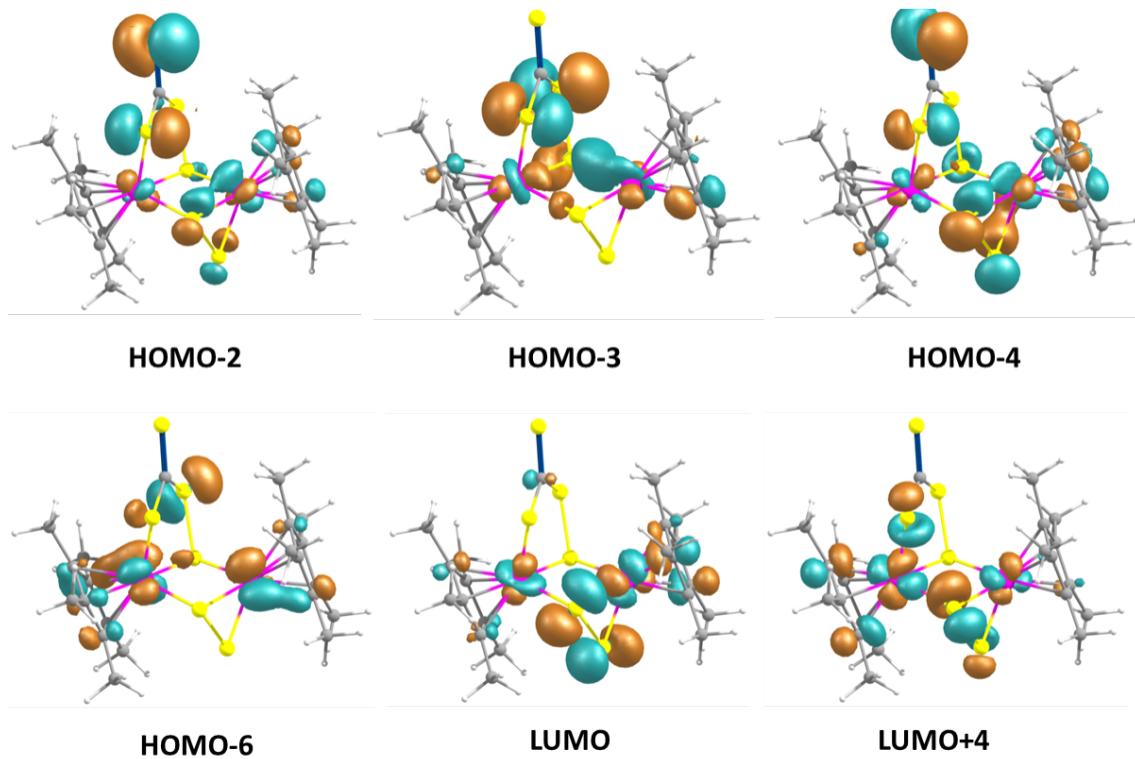
No	Excitation Energy (eV)	Wavelength $\lambda$ (nm)		Main electronic transition (% weight) <sup>[b]</sup>
		Calc. ( $f$ ) <sup>[a]</sup>	Expt.	
1	2.229	556 (0.025)	570	HOMO→LUMO+3 (9)
2	2.782	446 (0.020)		HOMO-1→LUMO+1 (12)
3	2.816	440 (0.013)		HOMO-1→LUMO+3 (13)
4	2.907	427 (0.023)		HOMO-3→LUMO+1 (13)
				HOMO-1→LUMO+1 (13)
5	3.108	399 (0.023)		HOMO-2→LUMO+3 (12)
				HOMO-1→LUMO+3 (38)
6	3.126	397 (0.015)		HOMO-2→LUMO+2 (44)
7	3.248	382 (0.042)	384	HOMO-6→LUMO (11)
				HOMO-4→LUMO (12)
				HOMO-3→LUMO (15)
				HOMO-2→LUMO+4 (14)
8	3.400	365 (0.021)		HOMO-3→LUMO+1 (11)
				HOMO-3→LUMO+2 (11)

9	3.455	359 (0.019)	HOMO-5→LUMO (20) HOMO-4→LUMO+2 (13) HOMO-3→LUMO+2 (13)
10	3.474	357 (0.054)	HOMO-9→LUMO+1 (12)
11	3.564	348 (0.036)	HOMO-4→LUMO+3 (11) HOMO-1→LUMO+4 (14)
12	3.569	347 (0.017)	HOMO-1→LUMO+4 (52)
13	3.591	345 (0.014)	HOMO-5→LUMO+1 (7) HOMO-5→LUMO+2 (7)
14	3.636	341 (0.023)	HOMO-8→LUMO+2 (11) HOMO-3→LUMO+3 (11) HOMO-2→LUMO+4 (13)
15	3.697	335 (0.050)	HOMO-11→LUMO (13)
16	3.762	330 (0.025)	HOMO-6→LUMO+1 (12) HOMO→LUMO+5 (11)
17	3.793	327 (0.080)	326 HOMO-6→LUMO (11)
18	3.851	322 (0.027)	HOMO-7→LUMO (19) HOMO-4→LUMO+4 (12)
19	3.922	316 (0.038)	HOMO-7→LUMO (13) HOMO-6→LUMO+3 (28) HOMO→LUMO+5 (19)
20	3.997	310 (0.132)	HOMO-4→LUMO+4 (28)

[a]Oscillator strength greater than 0.010. [b]Components with greater than 10% contribution shown.

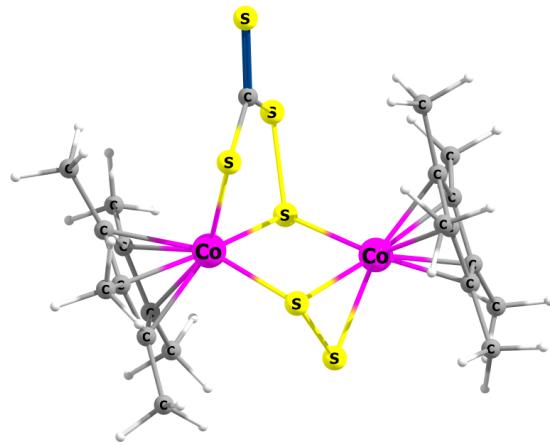


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**Figure S11.** Optimized geometry of 2.

Total energy = -5973.76317959 a.u.

Cartesian coordinates for the calculated structure 2 (in Å)

C	3.704523000	0.020408000	-0.047484000	C	-3.038734000	0.428488000	-2.825436000
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