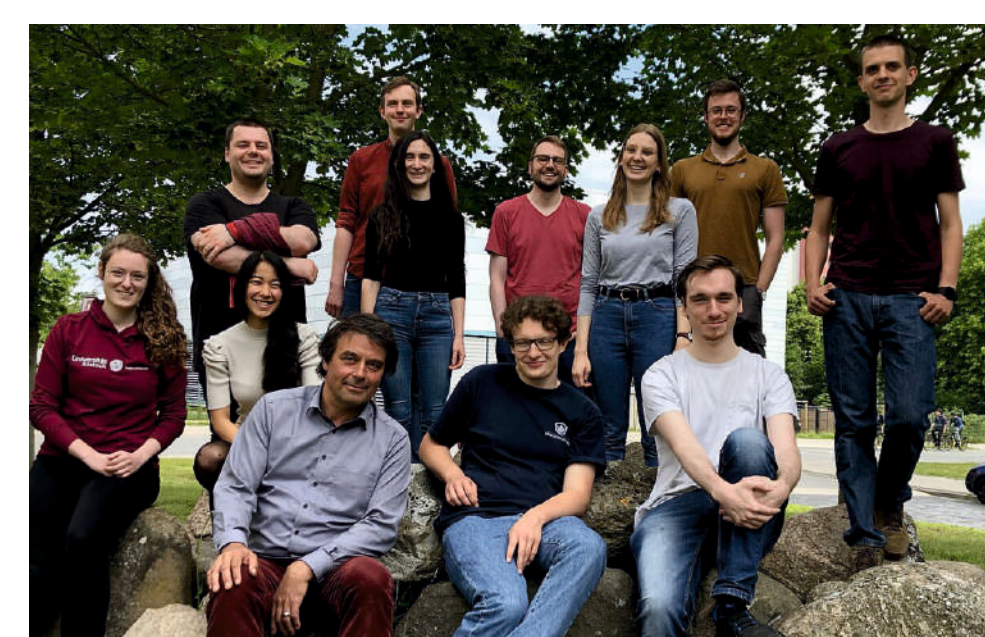


New Alkyne Complex Based Framework for Visible Light induced Electron Transfer

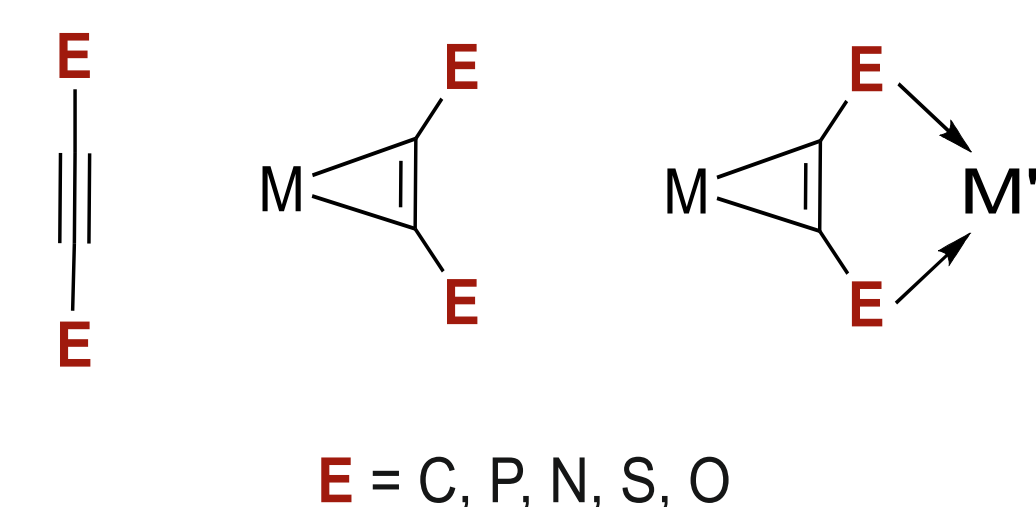


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Introduction

- W(II)-alkyne complexes bearing donor atoms in both α -positions
 - combines redox-active complex moiety with a potentially chelating unit
 - valuable building blocks for polynuclear compounds with a short metal-metal distance and interesting redox behaviour
 - so far, we were able to form heterobimetallic complexes using C, P, N, S or O as donor atoms [1]



This project

- this project is focused on the new C,N₂-donor combination to mimic the phenyl pyridine ligand [2]
- in the literature, only C,C- or N₂N₂-bridged heterobimetallic alkyne complexes are known [3]
- within these new complexes the potential light induced electron transfer from the tungsten-centre towards the photocentre is investigated

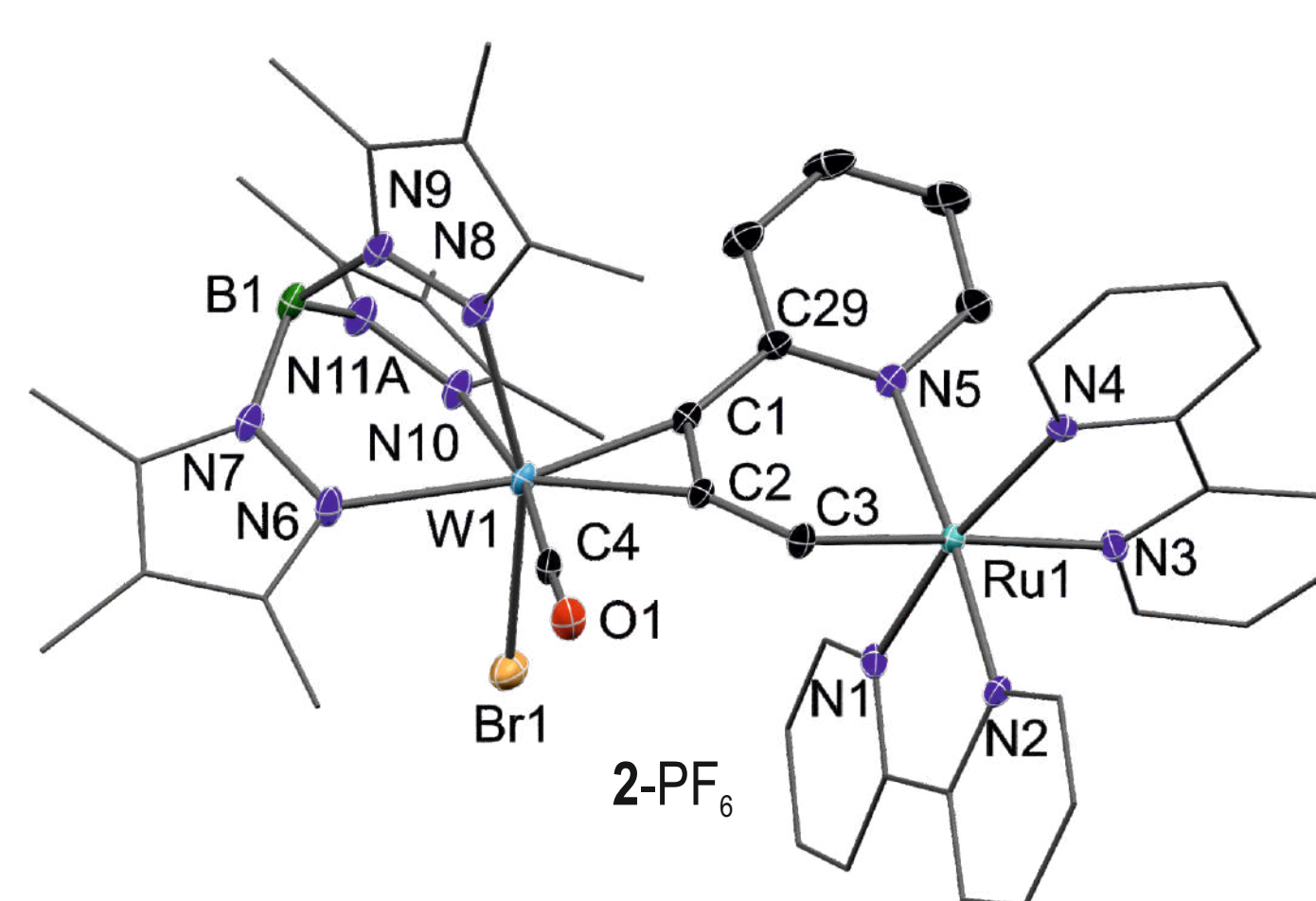
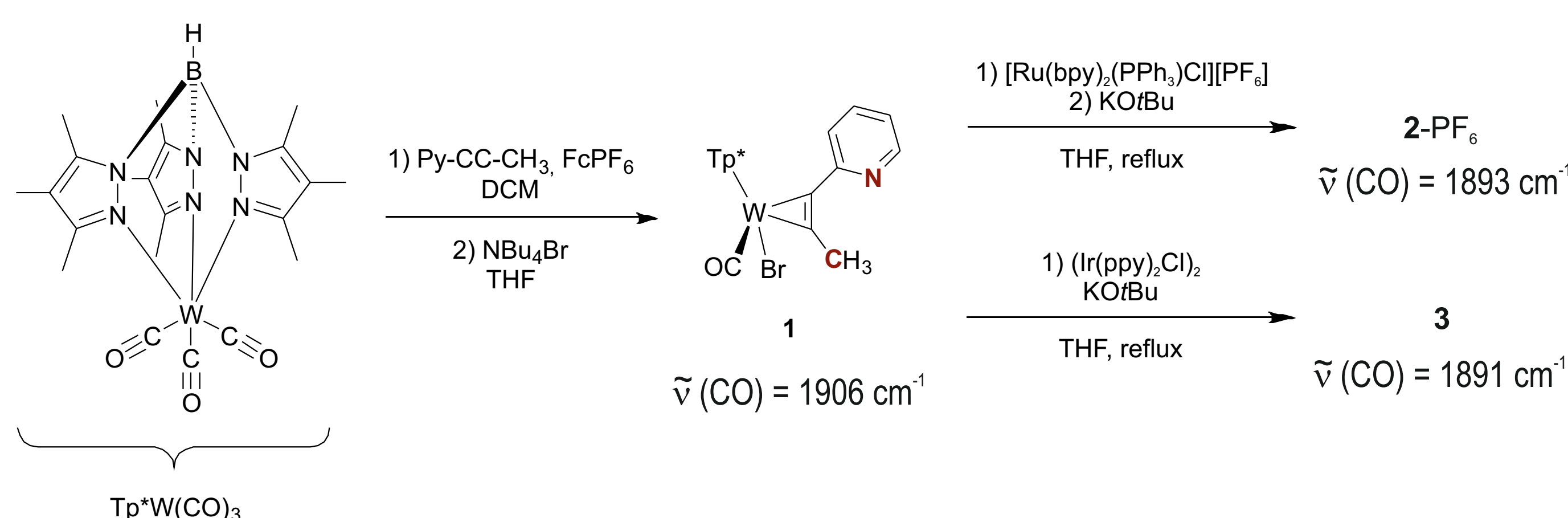
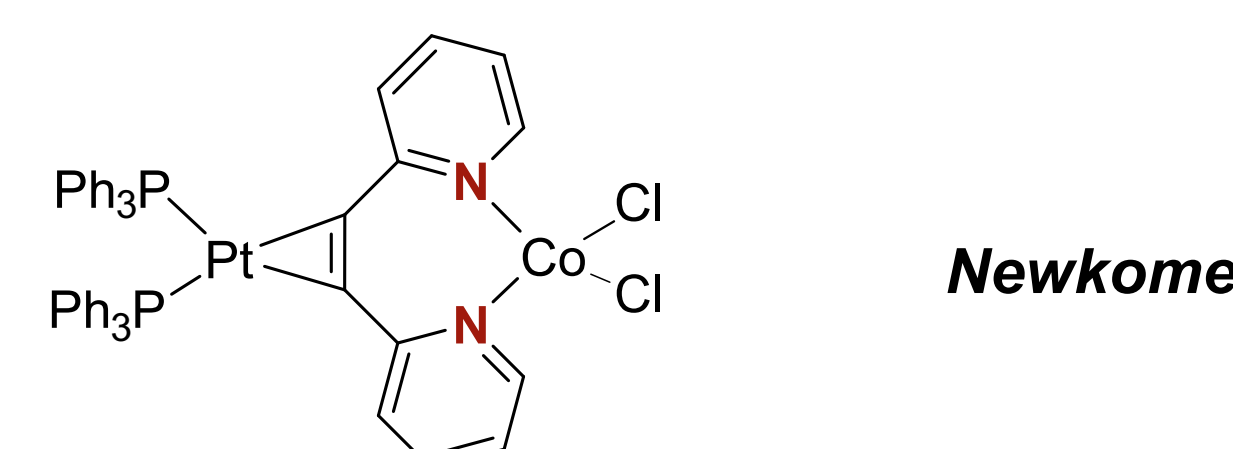
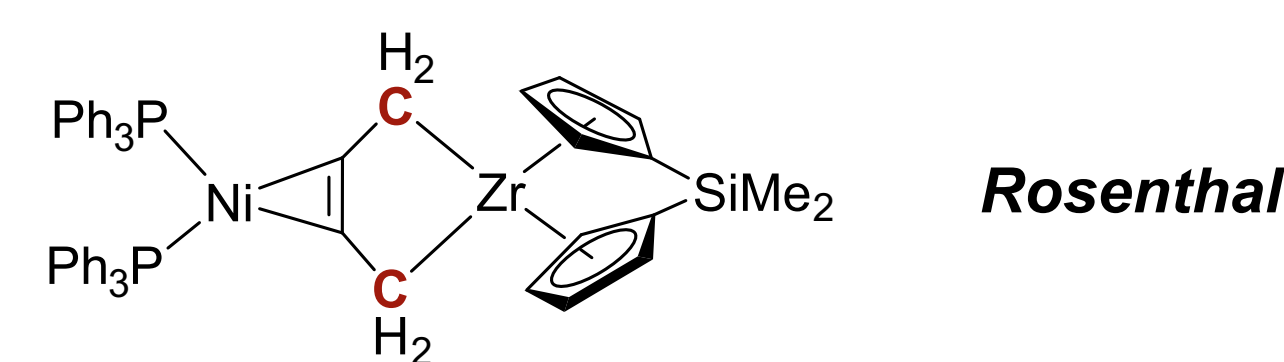


Fig. 1: Molecular structure of **2** in the crystal. Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°]: W1-C1 1.945(4), C1-C2 1.323(5), C2-C1-C29 135.7(4), C1-C2-C3 128.2(4), N5-Ru1-C3 94.04(12).

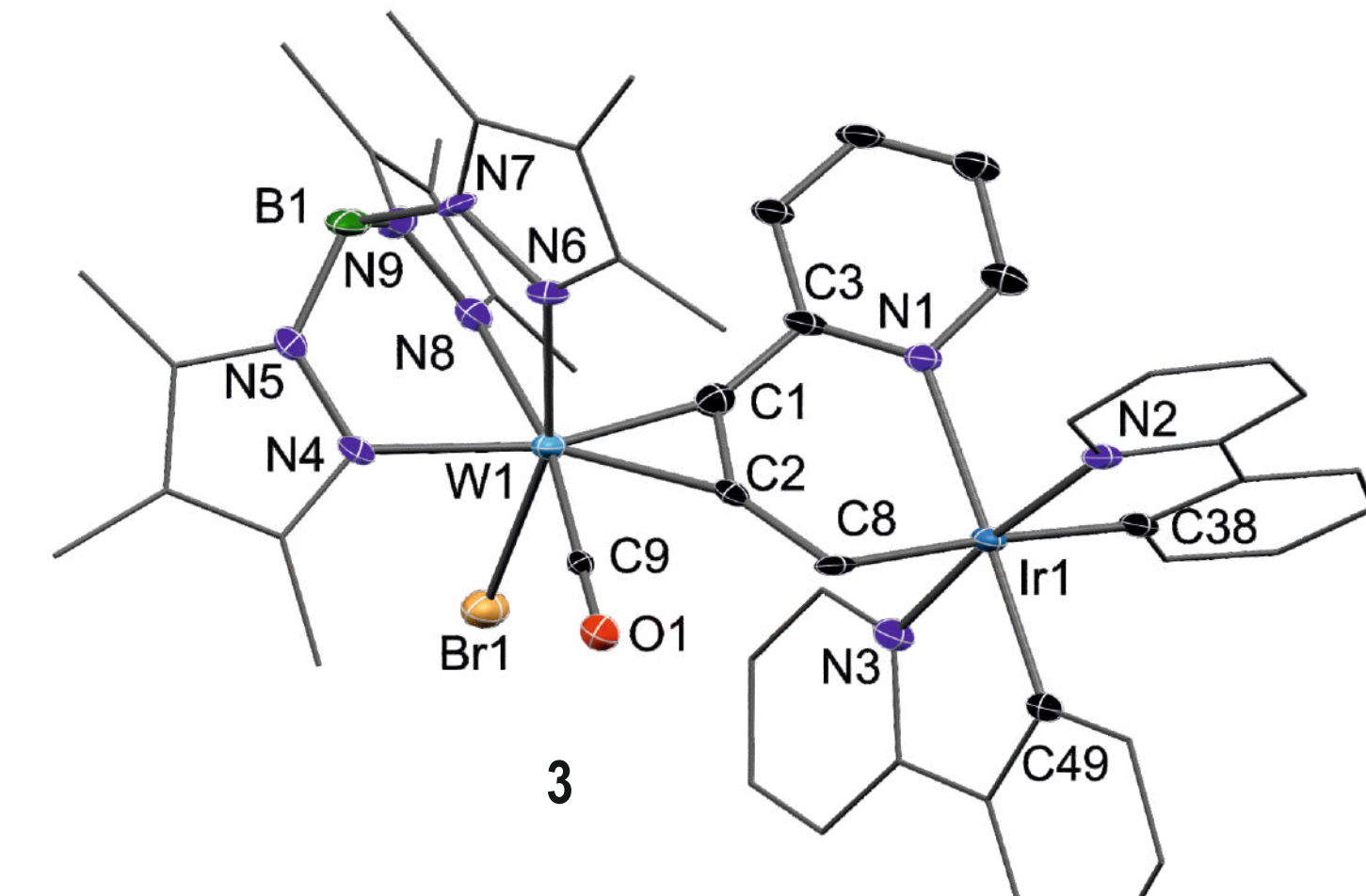
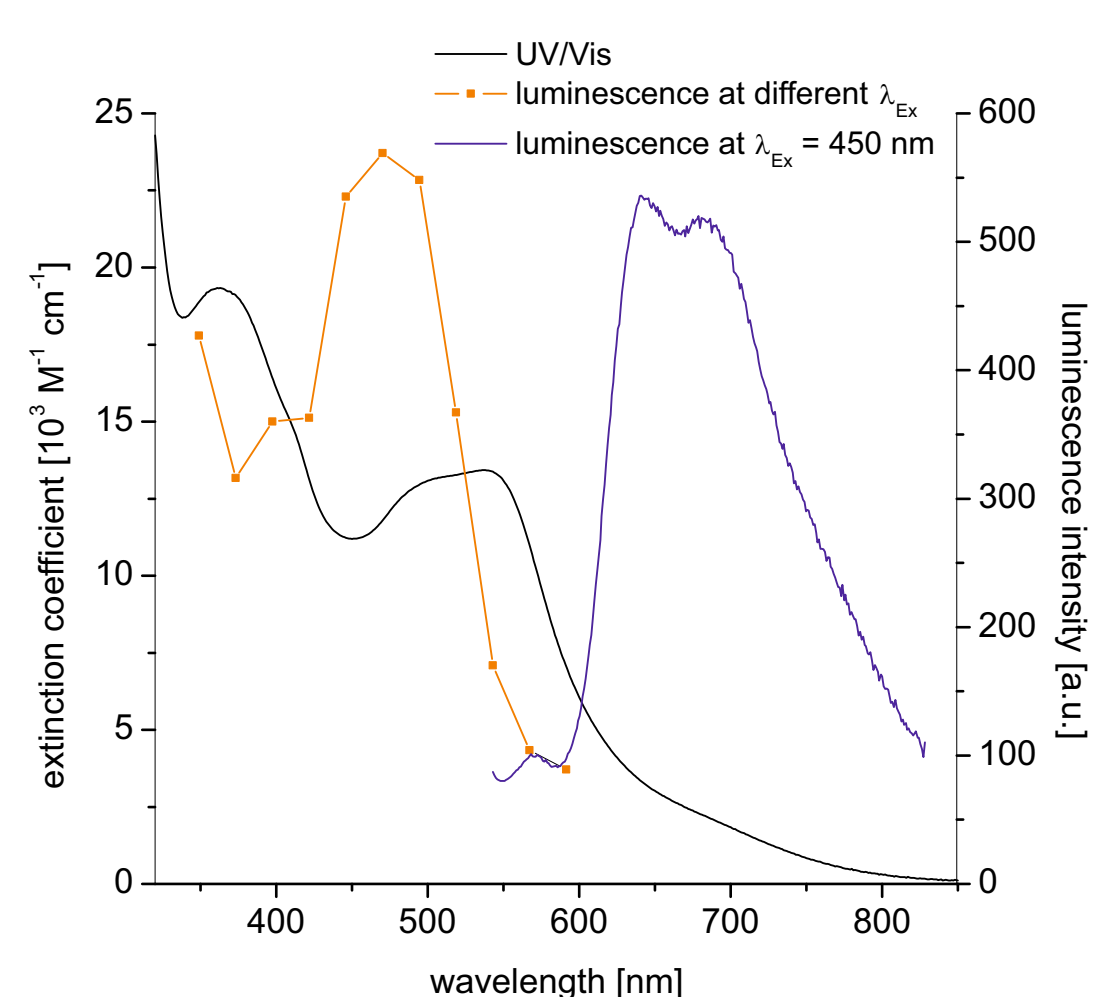


Fig. 2: Molecular structure of **3** in the crystal. Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°]: W1-C9 1.932(10), C1-C2 1.312(13), Ir1-W1 5.001, C1-C2-C8 137.2(10), C2-C1-C3 128.9(9), N1-Ir1-C8 91.8(3).



	Φ [%]
2-PF ₆	0.006
3	0.3
Ir(ppy) ₃	73.0
[Ru(bpy) ₃] ²⁺	9.5

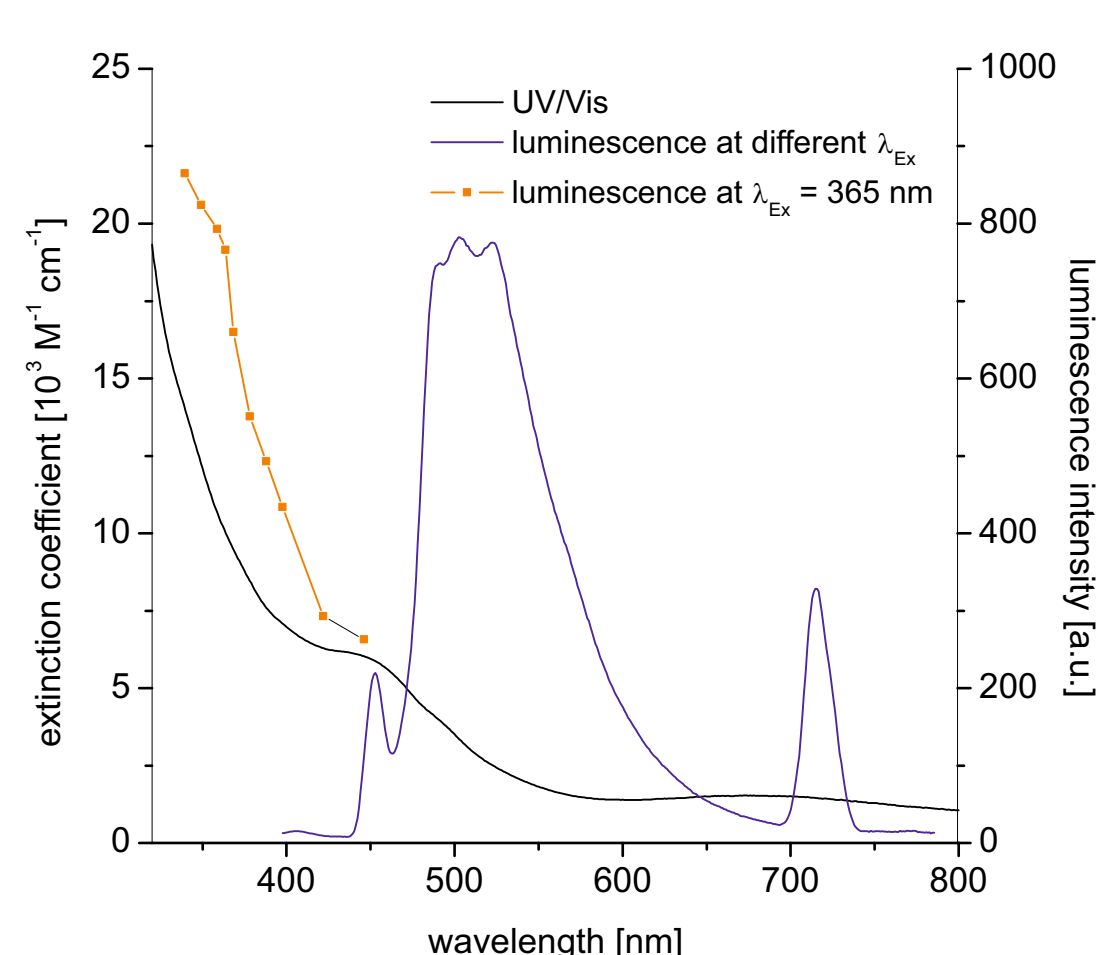


Fig. 3: Absorption spectra at 293 K and luminescence spectra at 77 K of **2-PF₆** (top) and **3** (bottom).

→ The drastically quenched quantum yields suggest an electron transfer from the W(II) towards the photo-excited metal-centre.

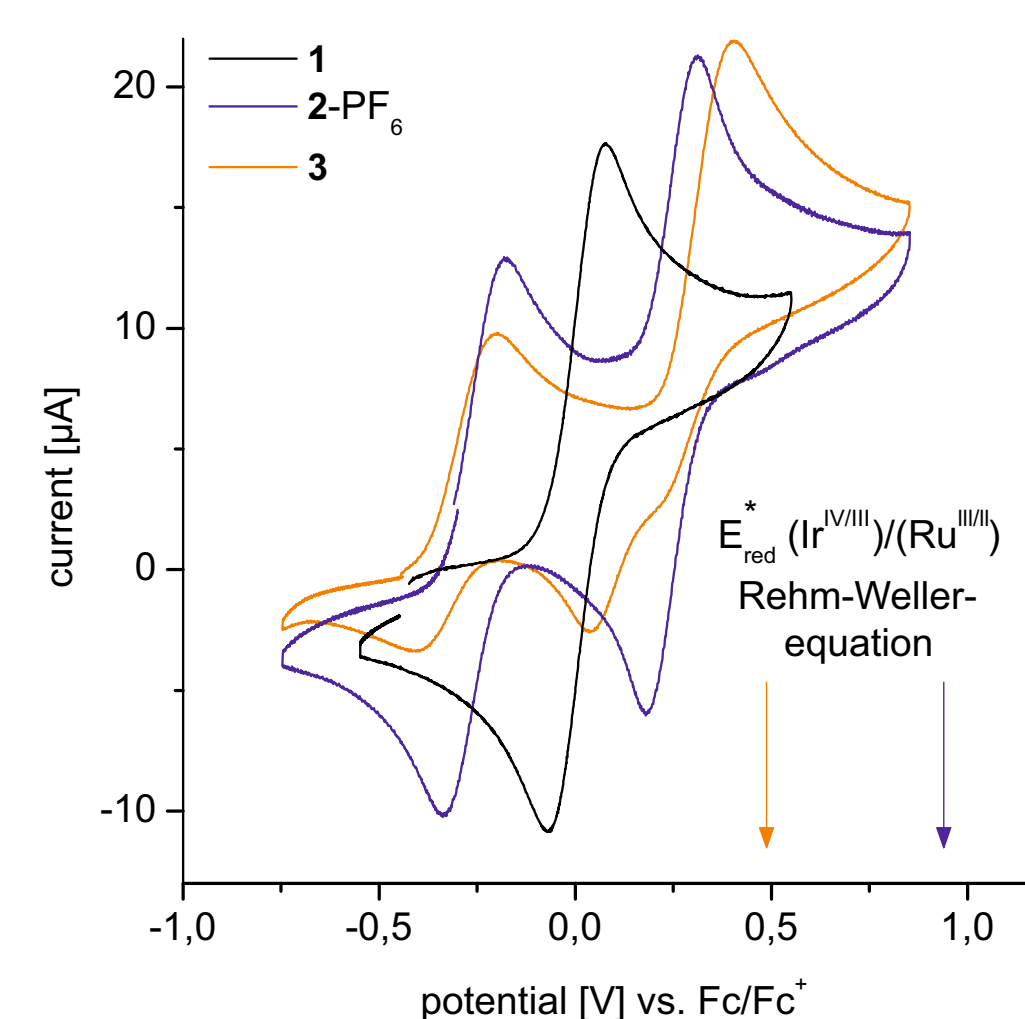
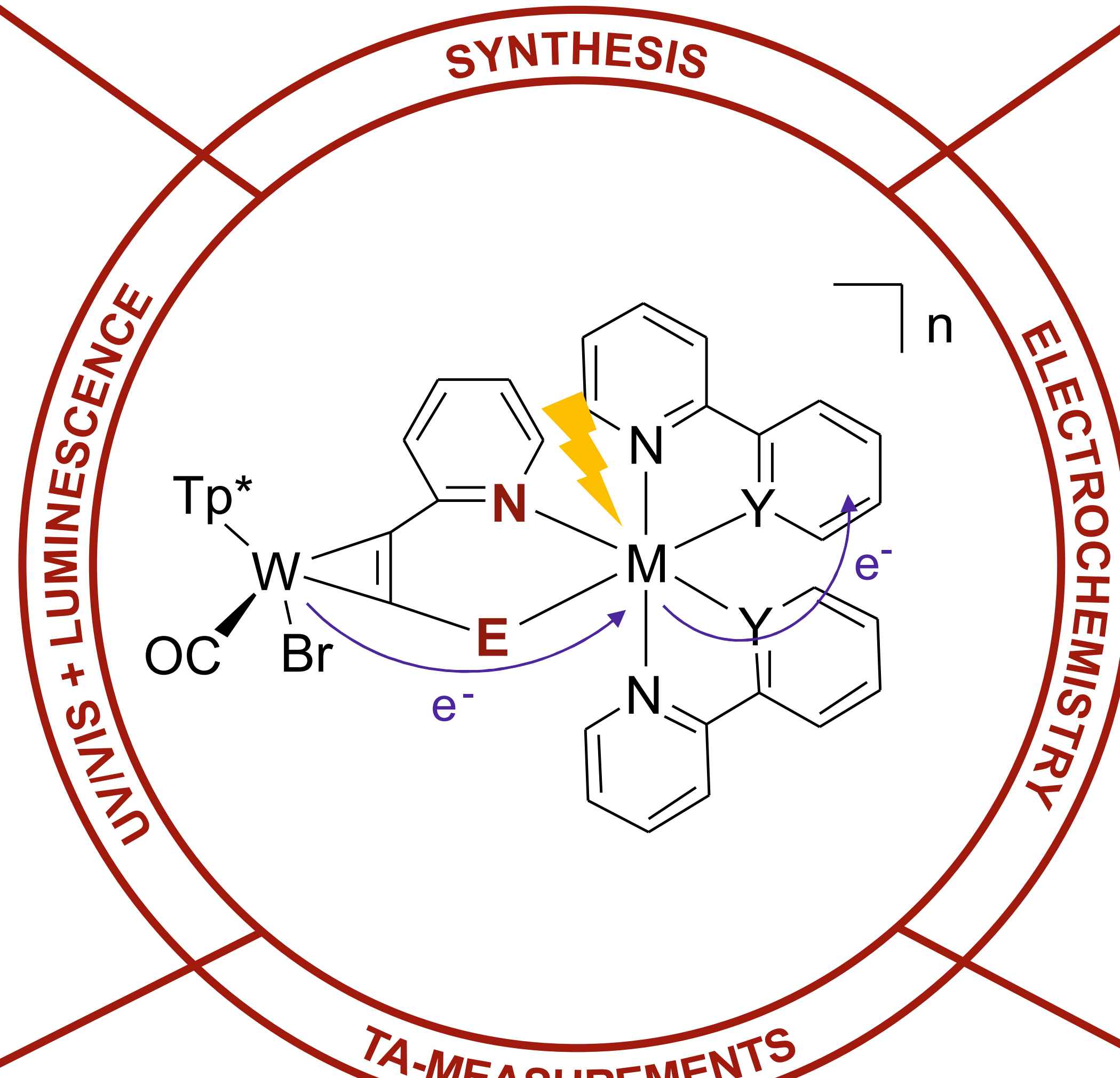


Fig. 4: CV measurements of **1**, **2-PF₆** and **3** in CH₂Cl₂ vs. Fc/Fc⁺

oxidation is metal based
1: W-based
2-PF₆ and **3**
 1. oxidation W-based
 2. oxidation Ru/Ir-based

reduction is ligand based
2-PF₆: bpy-based
3: py-based

Rehm-Weller equation:
 redoxpotential for the photo-excited Ir(IV)- or Ru(III)-centre

$$E_{1/2}^*(\text{Ru}^{\text{III}}) = 0.49 \text{ V}$$

$$E_{1/2}^*(\text{Ir}^{\text{IV}}) = 0.85 \text{ V}$$

→ The electron transfer from W(II) to the photoexcited metal centres is thermodynamically possible.

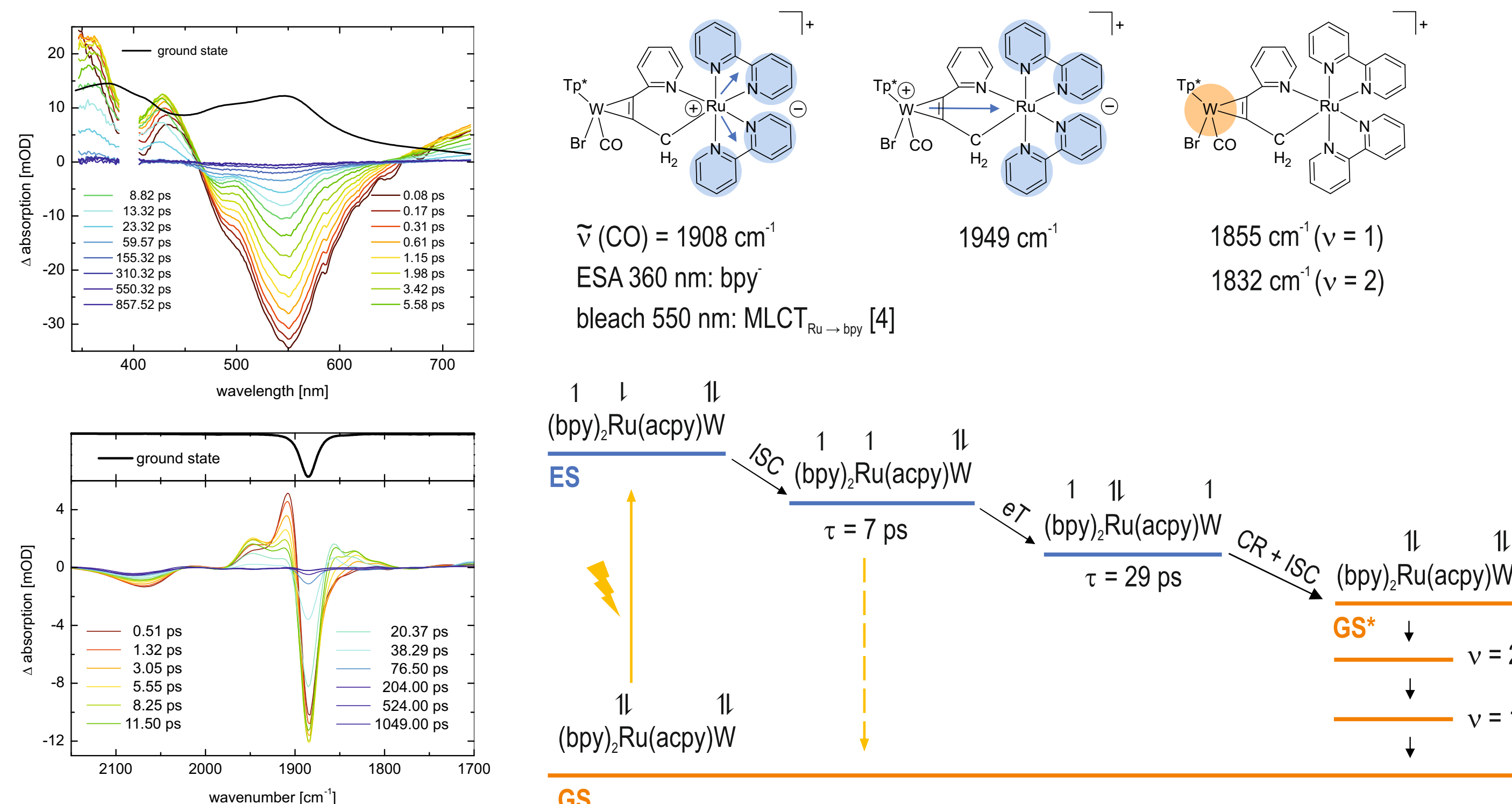


Fig. 5: fs-TA measurements of **2-PF₆** in CH₃CN; pump pulses at 400 nm; TA-UV-Vis (top) and TA-IR (bottom).

ISC: Intersystem crossing; eT: electron transfer; CR: charge recombination
 GS: ground state; ES: excited state

→ The light induced electron transfer from W(II) towards Ru(III) leads to charge separated state between the W(III) and the bipyridyl ligand ($\tau = 29 \text{ ps}$).

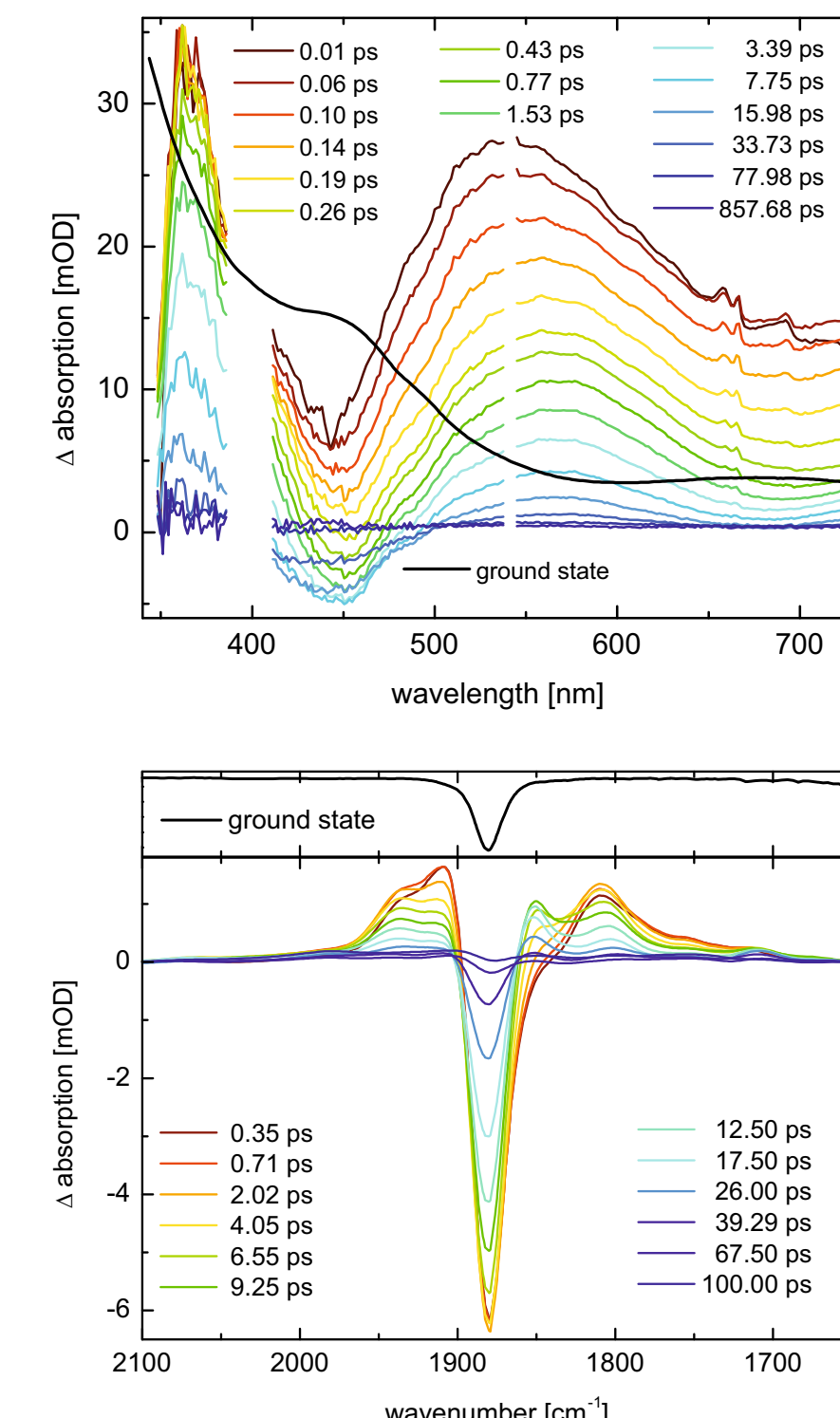
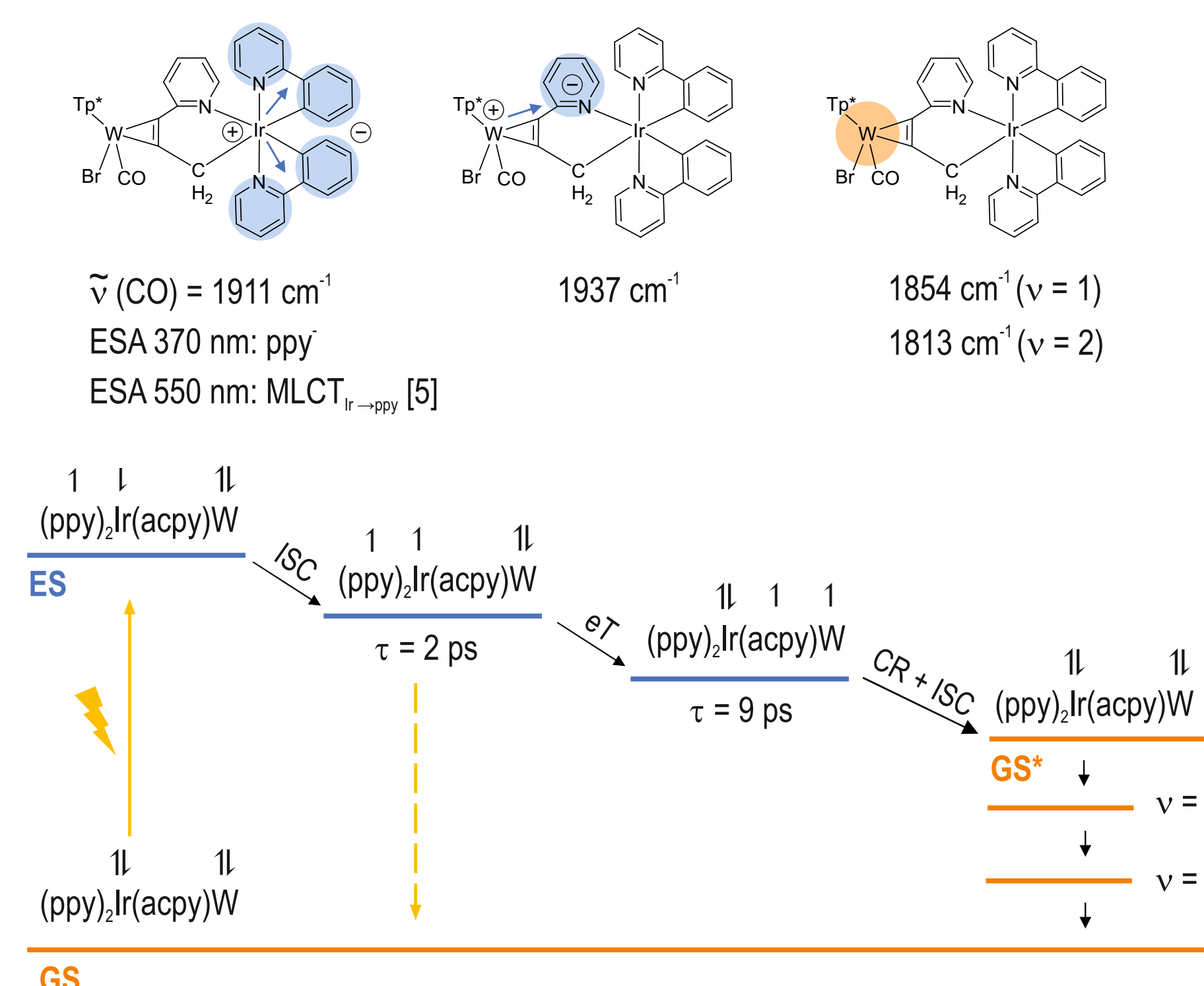


Fig. 6: fs-TA measurements of **3** in CH₃CN; pump pulses at 400 nm; TA-UV-Vis (top) and TA-IR (bottom).



ISC: Intersystem crossing; eT: electron transfer; CR: charge recombination
 GS: ground state; ES: excited state

→ The light induced electron transfer from W(II) towards the Ir(IV) leads to a charge separation between the W(III) and the pyridine ligand ($\tau = 9 \text{ ps}$).

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