

## Supporting Information

# Coordination Driven Self-Assembly and Anticancer Activity of Molecular Rectangles Containing Octahedral Ruthenium Metal Centers

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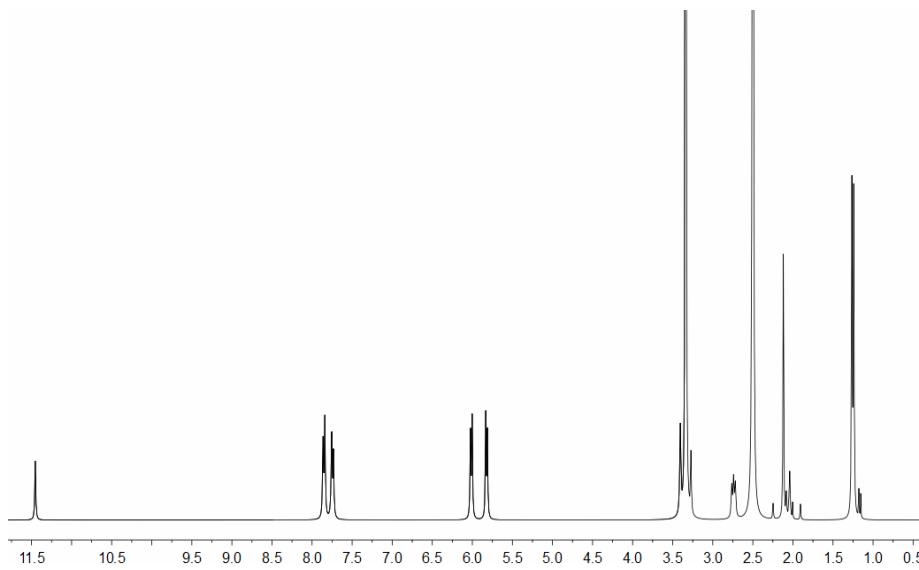
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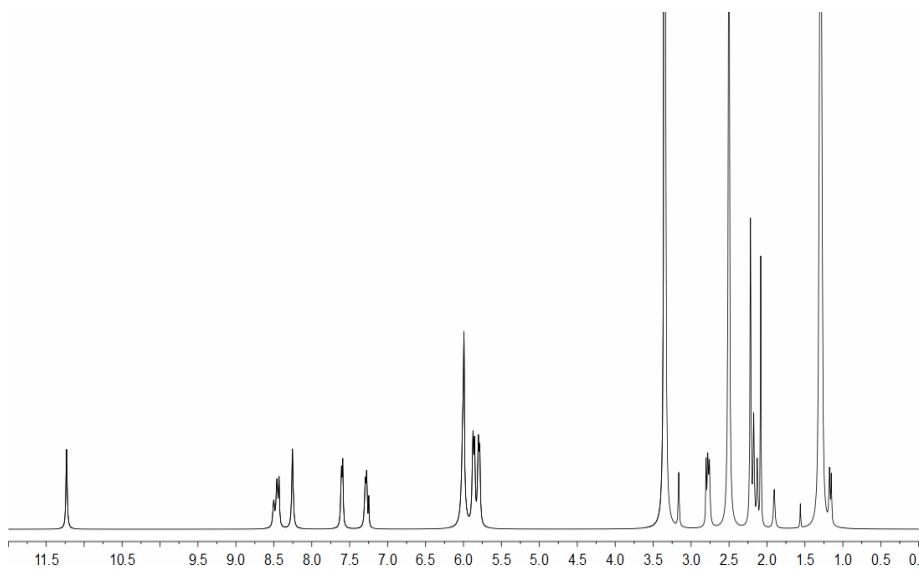
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Figure 1.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of the metalla-rectangles **1** (a), **2** (b) and **3** (c).

(a)



(b)



**(c)**

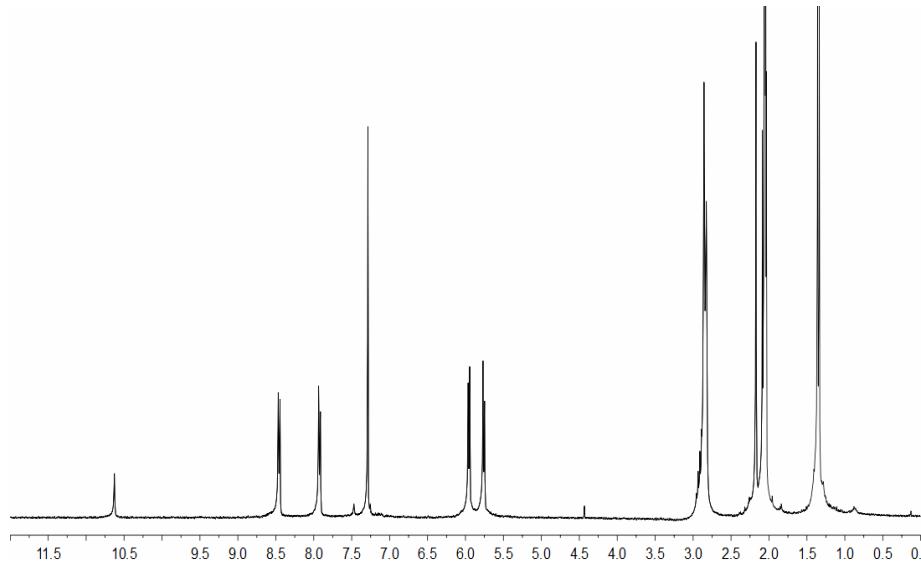
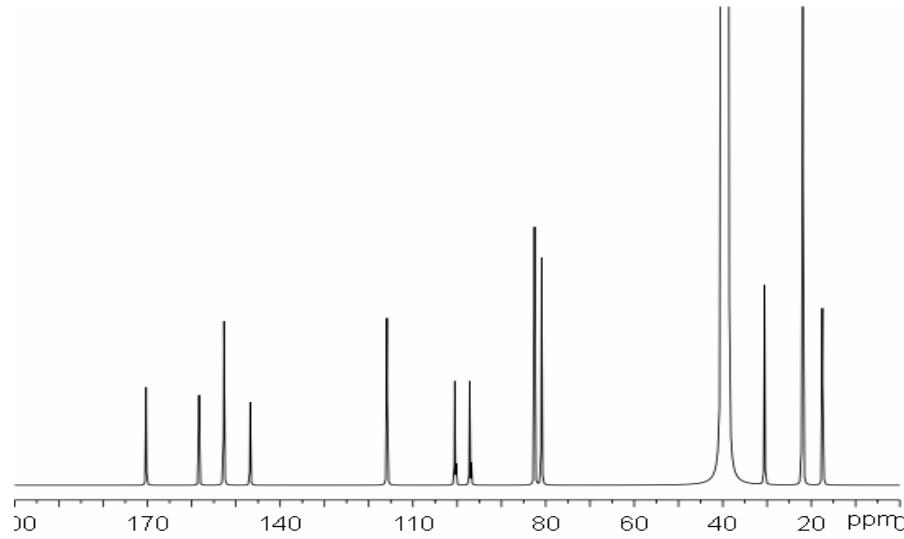
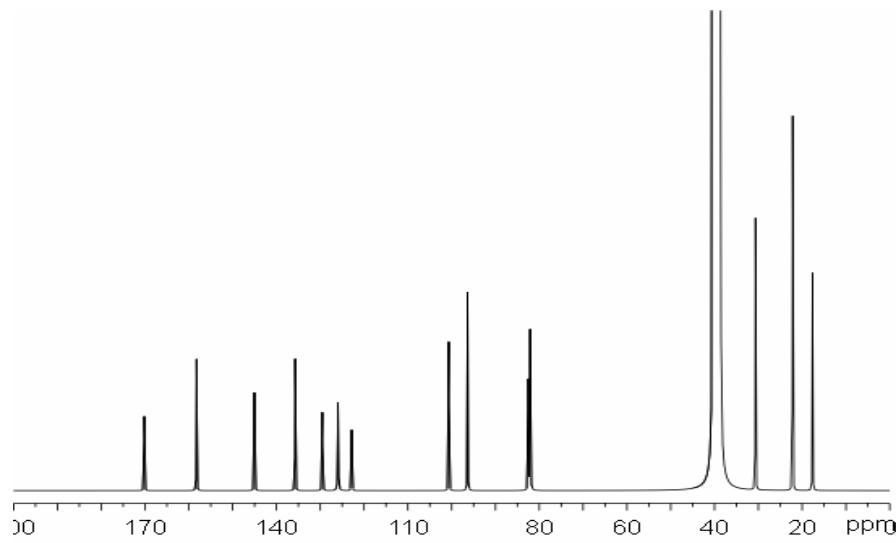


Figure 2. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the metalla-rectangles **1** (a), **2** (b) and **3** (c).

**(a)**



(b)



(c)

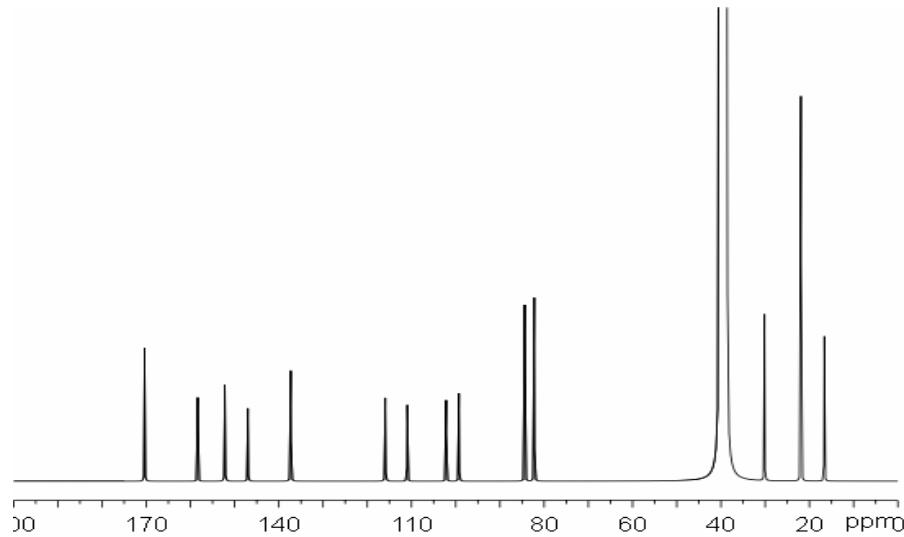


Figure 3. Calculated and experimental ESI-MS spectra of the metalla-rectangles **1**(a), **2** (b) and **3** (c).

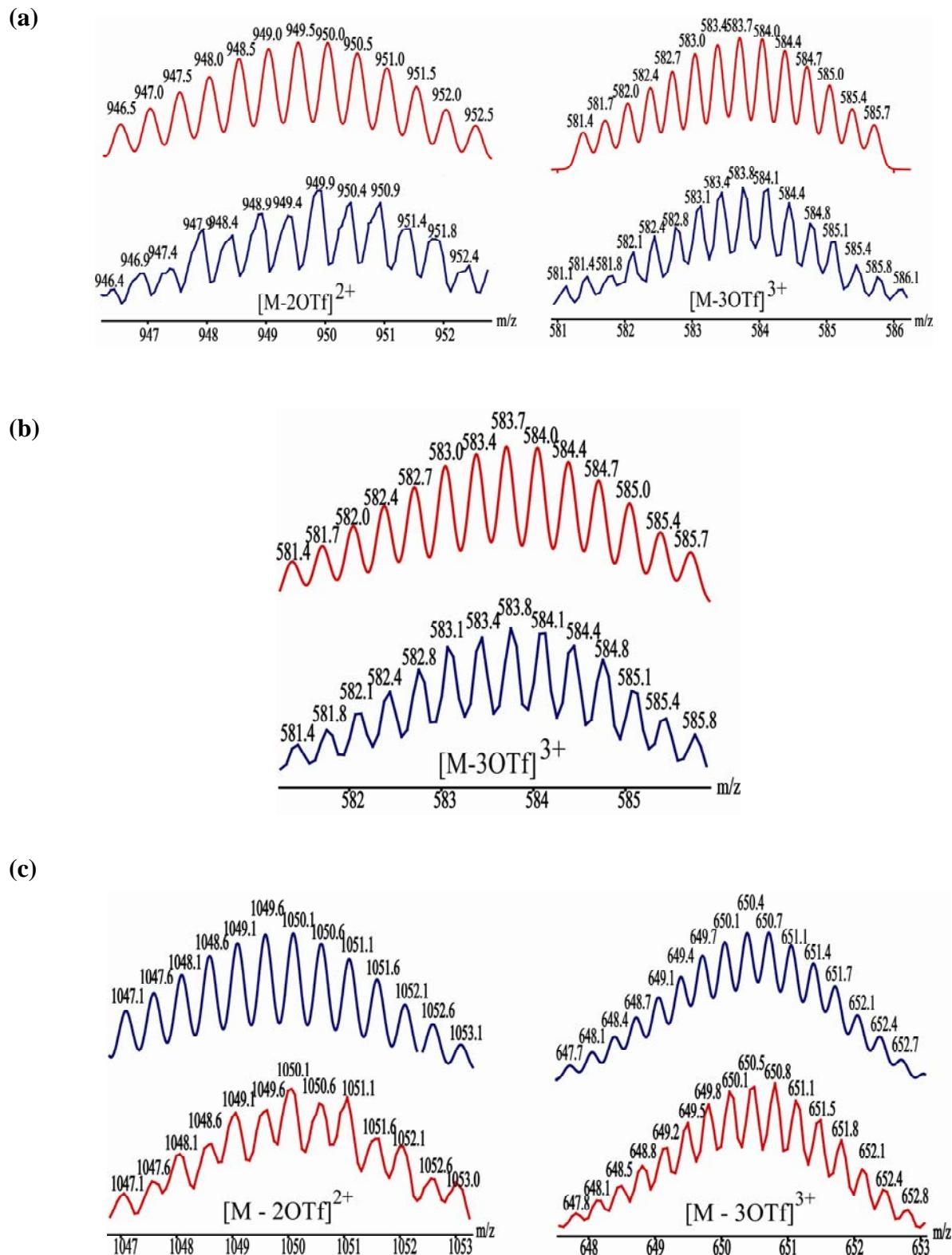


Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **1** and **2**.

	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
Formula	C <sub>76.12</sub> H <sub>86.80</sub> F <sub>12</sub> N <sub>9</sub> O <sub>26.78</sub> S <sub>4</sub> Ru <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>73</sub> H <sub>79</sub> F <sub>12</sub> N <sub>9</sub> O <sub>26</sub> S <sub>4</sub> Ru <sub>4</sub>
Fw	2316.79	2258.97
T, K	100(2) K	100(2)
λ, Å	0.900000	0.900000
Crystal syst	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /n	P-1
a, Å	13.827(3)	11.336(2)
b, Å	27.498(6)	17.650(4)
c, Å	24.766(5)	24.465(5)
α, deg	90	81.32(3)
β, deg	98.79(3)	83.65(3)
γ, deg	90	76.40(3)
Volume, Å <sup>3</sup>	9306(3)	4688.9(16)
Z	4	2
Density, g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.654	1.600
μ, mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.550	1.533
F(000)	4675	2272
Index ranges	0≤h≤15, -30≤k≤30, -27≤l≤27	-11≤h≤11, -17≤k≤17, -24≤l≤24
Independent reflections	12926 [R(int) = 0.0205]	8889 [R(int) = 0.0375]
GoF <sup>a</sup> on F <sup>2</sup>	1.064	0.993
R <sub>1</sub> , <sup>b</sup> wR <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup> [I>2sigma(I)]	0.0631, 0.1880	0.0909, 0.2593
R <sub>1</sub> , wR <sub>2</sub> (all data)	0.0706, 0.1984	0.0994, 0.2681

<sup>a</sup>GoF = {Σ[w(F<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup> - F<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>]/(n - p)}<sup>1/2</sup>, where n and p denote the number of data points and the number of parameters, respectively. <sup>b</sup>R<sub>1</sub> = (Σ||F<sub>o</sub>|-|F<sub>c</sub>||)/Σ|F<sub>o</sub>|. <sup>c</sup>wR<sub>2</sub> = {Σ[w(F<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>-F<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>]/Σ[w(F<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>]}<sup>1/2</sup>, where w = 1/[σ<sup>2</sup>(F<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>) + (aP)<sup>2</sup> + (bP)] and P = [max(0, F<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>) + 2F<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>]/3.

Figure 4. Numbered crystal diagram for metalla-rectangle **1**(left) and **2**(right). Color codes: yellow = Ru, green = C, blue = N, red = O.

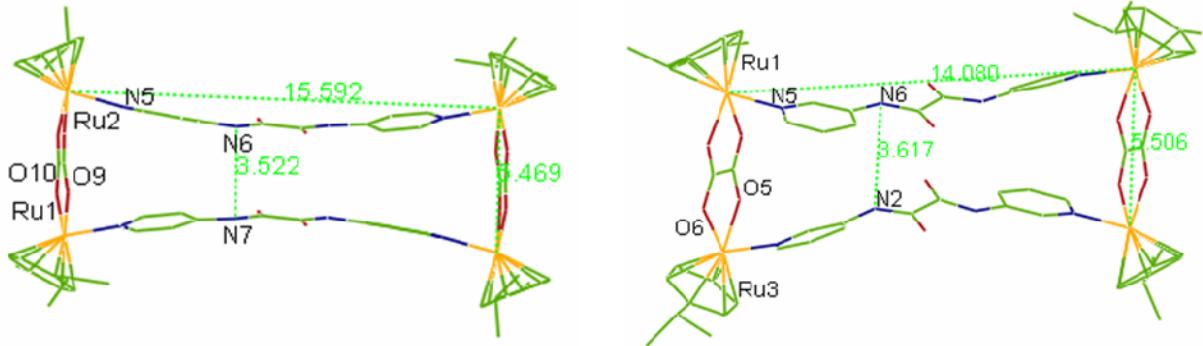


Table S2. Important Bond Lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and Angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) for the metalla-rectangles **1** and **2**.

**1**

Ru(1)-O(9)	2.10(4)	Ru(2)-N(5)	2.11(5)
Ru(1)-O(10)	2.10(4)		
O(9)-Ru(1)-O(10)	78.7(16)	O(8)-Ru(1)-N(5)	84.1(18)

**2**

Ru(3)-O(5)	2.10(8)	Ru(1)-N(5)	2.10(9)
Ru(3)-O(6)	2.13(8)		
O(5)-Ru(3)-O(6)	79.0(3)	O(7)-Ru(1)-N(5)	83.2(3)

Table S3. Hydrogen bonds for **1** [Å and °].

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	∠(DHA)
N(2)-H(2A)...O(3S)	0.88	2.04	2.872(7)	156.9
N(3)-H(3A)...O(2S)#2	0.88	2.25	3.083(7)	157.6
N(6)-H(6A)...O(7S)	0.88	2.19	3.032(7)	159.0
N(7)-H(7A)...O(9S)#1	0.88	2.11	2.905(7)	149.9

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1,-y,-z+2 #2 -x+2,-y,-z+2