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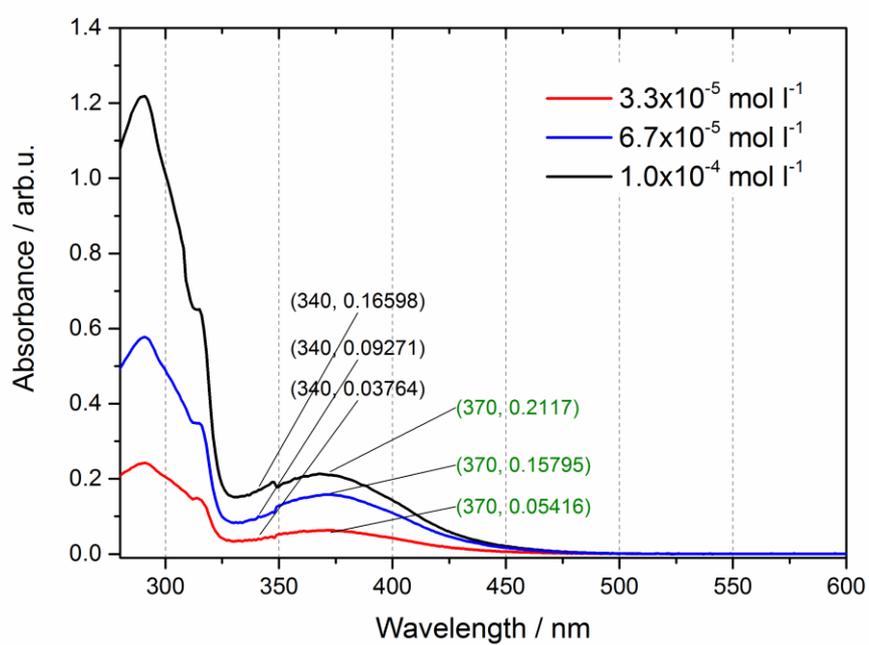
### **Photoinduced Energy Transfer from Poly(*N*-vinylcarbazole) to Tricarbonylchloro-(2,2'-bipyridyl)rhenium(I)**

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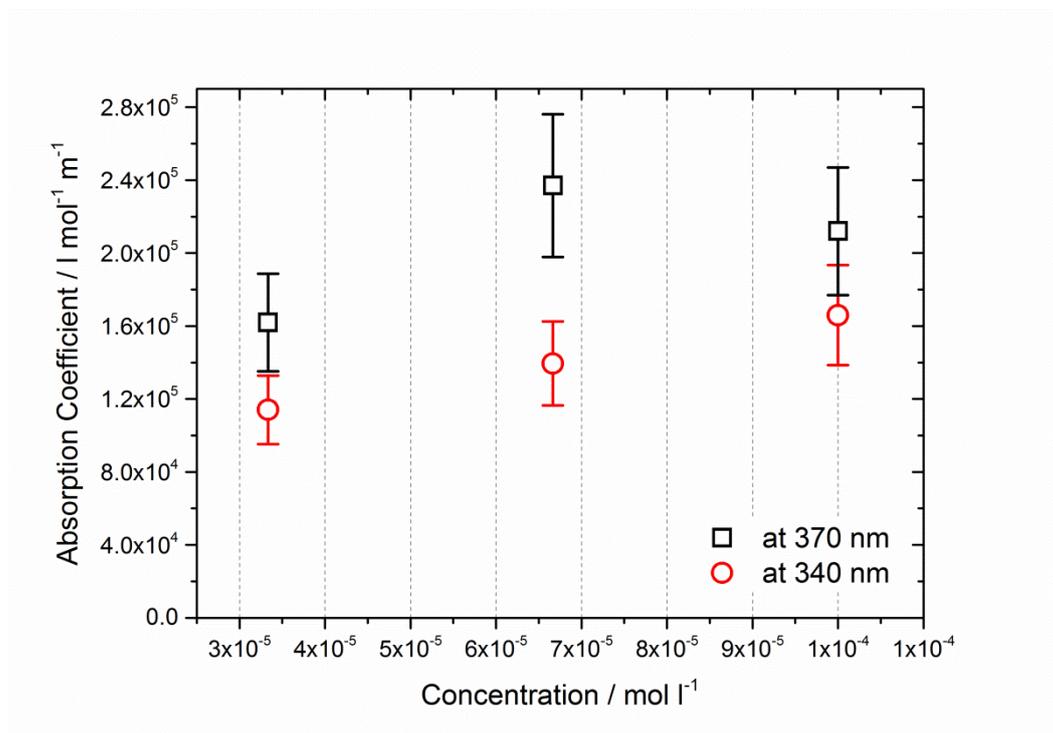
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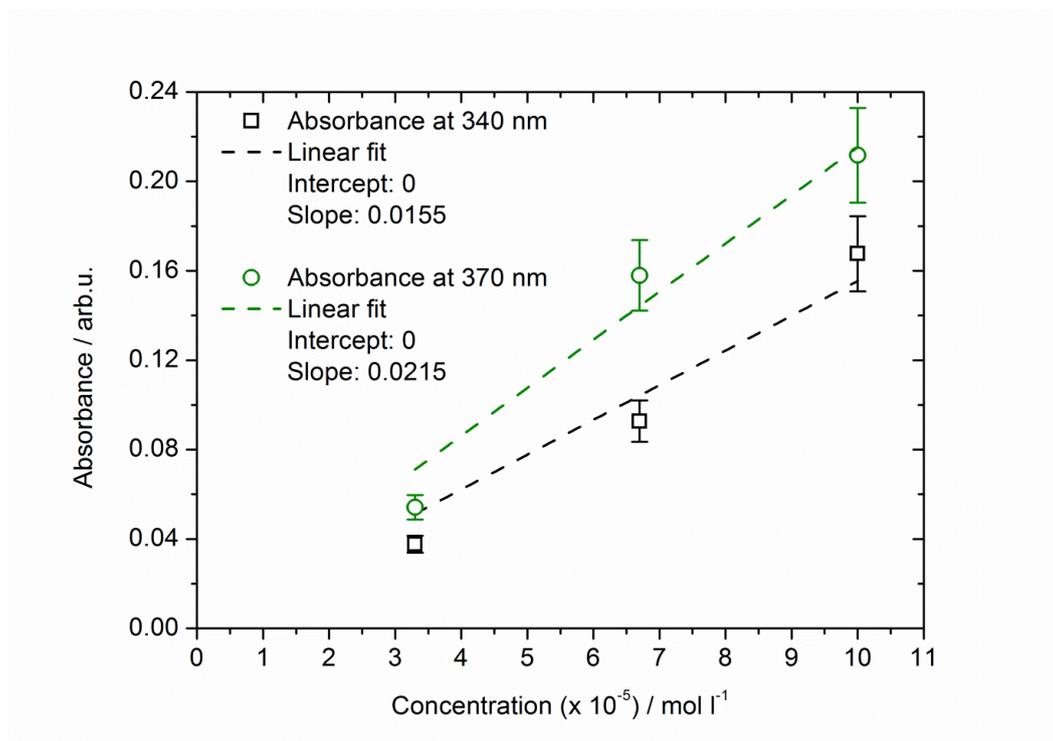


**Figure S1.** Absorption spectra of three different concentrations of fac-(2,2'-bipy)Re(CO)<sub>3</sub>Cl in acetonitrile solution.

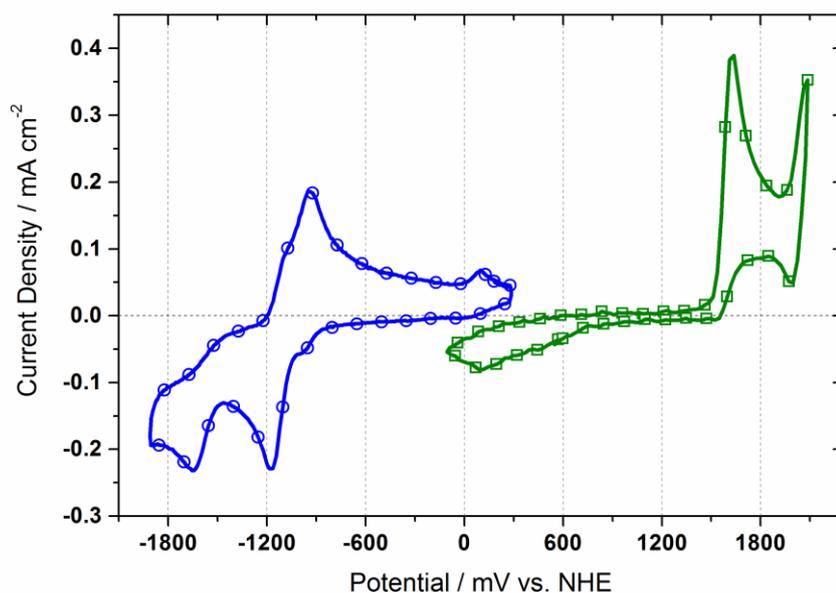
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**Figure S2 a.** Calculated absorption coefficients out of the absorption spectra presented in Figures S1 for fac-(2,2'-bipy)Re(CO)<sub>3</sub>Cl at 340 nm (red circles) and 370 nm (black squares).

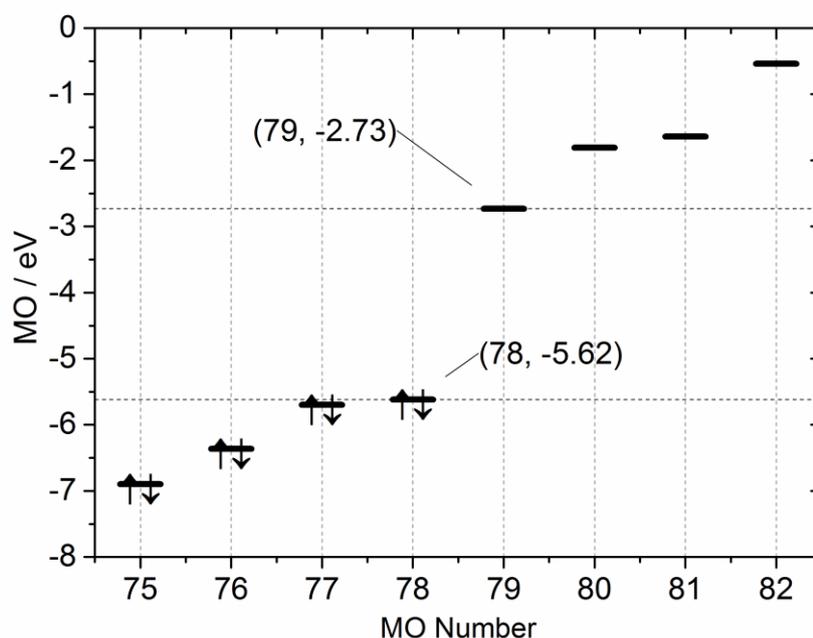


**Figure S2 b.** Plot of Absorbance vs. Concentration for the calculation of the absorption coefficients out of the absorption spectra presented in Figures S1 for fac-(2,2'-bipy)Re(CO)<sub>3</sub>Cl at 340 nm (black squares) and 370 nm (green circles).



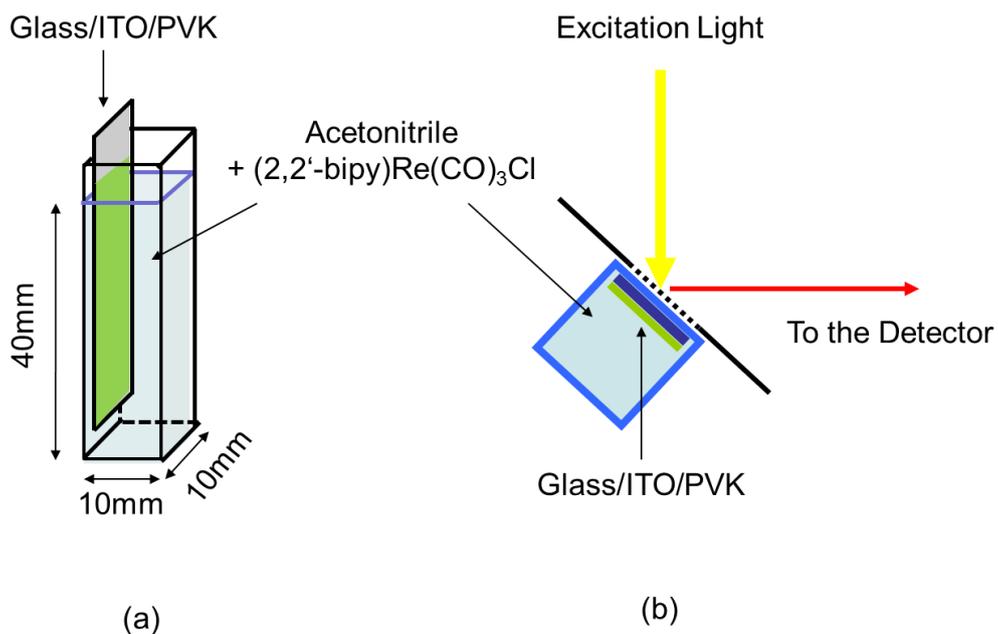
**Figure S3.** Cyclic voltammograms of  $\text{fac}-(2,2'\text{-bipy})\text{Re}(\text{CO})_3\text{Cl}$  in nitrogen saturated electrolyte solution on the reductive side (blue line with circles) and oxidative side (green line with squares). Measurements are taken at a scan rate of  $100 \text{ mVs}^{-1}$  in acetonitrile with TBAPF6 (0:1 M), Pt working electrode, Pt counter electrode, and a concentration of 1mM.

Electrochemical experiments in Figure S3 were performed using a JAISSE Potentiostat-Galvanostat IMP 88 PC. A one-compartment cell was used for cyclic voltammetry experiments with a Pt working electrode, a Pt counter electrode and a Ag/AgCl quasi reference electrode (QRE) calibrated with ferrocene/ferrocenium ( $\text{Fc}/\text{Fc}^+$ ) as an internal reference. The half-wave potential ( $E_{1/2}$ ) for  $\text{Fc}/\text{Fc}^+$  was measured at 351 mV vs. QRE. For the recalculation to NHE potential the  $E_{1/2}$  for  $\text{Fc}/\text{Fc}^+$  vs. NHE was taken at 640 mV as suggested by Bazan *et al.*<sup>1</sup>



**Figure S4.** Molecular orbital energy levels of *fac*-Re(2,2'-bipyridyl)(CO)<sub>3</sub>Cl calculated by DFT for the frontier orbitals including HOMO-LUMO gap.

The supplementary Figure S4 shows the energy levels of the last four occupied and first four unoccupied molecular orbital (MO) of the novel compound (2,2'-bipyridyl)Re(CO)<sub>3</sub>Cl obtained from theoretical calculations at the DFT level. The method used was similar to the one previously reported in reference nr <sup>2</sup>. The calculations were carried out with the Gaussian09.<sup>3</sup> All quantum-chemical calculations were carried out using a density functional theory (DFT) based method with the hybrid B3LYP functional.<sup>4,5</sup> The 6-31G(d) basis set was used through the calculations,<sup>6,7</sup> whereas for the complexed rhenium metal the LanL2DZ basis set<sup>8</sup> was applied. The obtained geometries were verified to correspond to a real minimum by establishing an absence of imaginary IR frequencies.



**Figure S5.** Experimental setup for photoluminescence quenching in ACN solution with PVK as donor material on glass/ITO substrate to (2,2'-bipy)Re(CO)<sub>3</sub>Cl as catalyst acceptor for bulk/solid and bulk/liquid donor-acceptor mixtures. (a) side view and (b) top view.

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