## An ionic charge-transfer dyad prepared cost-effectively from

## tetrathiafulvalene carboxylate anion and TMPyP cation

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	1	2
formula	$C_{84}H_{72}N_8O_{19}S_{24}$	$C_{64}H_{52}N_8O_{21}S_8$
fw	2267.07	1525.61
cryst size (mm <sup>3</sup> )	$0.25\times0.26\times0.75$	$0.05 \times 0.12 \times 0.20$
cryst syst	monoclinic	monoclinic
space group	$P 2_1/m$ $C 2/c$	
<i>a</i> (Å)	10.8302(4)	23.6681(8)
<i>b</i> (Å)	33.4895(16)	22.0587(6)
<i>c</i> (Å)	13.8319(6)	13.2272(4)
$\alpha$ (deg)	90.00	90.00
$\beta$ (deg)	99.191(4)	111.589(3)
γ (deg)	90.00	90.00
$V(Å^3)$	4952.4(4)	6421.3(4)
Ζ	2	4
$ ho_{ m calcd} ({ m g}{ m cm}^{-3})$	1.492	1.578
<i>F</i> (000)	2300	3152
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	5.376	0.365
$T(\mathbf{K})$	T(K) 293(2) 293(2	
reflns collected	20829	19610
unique reflns	9892	5651
observed reflns	6181	4629
no. params	638	486
GOF on $F^2$	1.182	1.034
$R_1[I>2\sigma(I)]$	0.0837	0.0401
$_{W}R_{2}$ [I>2 $\sigma(I)$ ]	0.1767	0.1063

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orbital	energy (eV)	energy gap
LUMO+1	-3.132	$E_{\text{LUMO+1}} - E_{\text{HOMO}} = 1.164 \text{ eV} (1065.2 \text{ nm})$
LUMO	-3.259	$E_{\text{LUMO+1}} - E_{\text{HOMO-1}} = 1.171 \text{ eV} (1058.8 \text{ nm})$
НОМО	-4.296	$E_{\rm LUMO} - E_{\rm HOMO} = 1.001 \text{ eV} (1238.6 \text{ nm})$
НОМО-1	-4.303	$E_{\text{LUMO}} - E_{\text{HOMO-1}} = 1.044 \text{ eV} (1187.6 \text{ nm})$



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