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**RhCl(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>-mediated C–H oxyfunctionalization of pyrrolido-functionalized bisazoaromatic pincer: a combined experimental and theoretical scrutiny of redox-active and spectroscopic properties†**

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## Experimental section

### Physical measurements

The elemental analyses (C, H, N) were performed with a Perkin- Elmer model 2400 series II elemental analyzer. FT-IR spectra were recorded on Perkin-Elmer L1600300 spectrometer.  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectral measurement was carried out on Bruker FT 300 MHz spectrometers with TMS as an internal reference.  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra were obtained using a Bruker Avance 500 MHz spectrometer operating at 202.45 MHz. The electrospray ionization mass spectra (ESI-MS positive) were measured in acetonitrile HRMS spectrometers (Model: QTOF Micro YA263). The electronic spectra in dichloromethane solution were obtained using a Perkin-Elmer LAMDA 25 spectrophotometer with a solute concentration of about  $10^{-5}$  M. Electrochemical measurements were carried out at  $27^\circ\text{C}$  with VersaStat II Princeton Applied Research potentiostat/galvanostat under argon atmosphere. The cell contained a Pt working electrode and a Pt wire auxiliary electrode. Tetraethylammonium perchlorate ( $\text{NEt}_4\text{ClO}_4$ ) was used as a supporting electrolyte and the potentials are referenced to the Ag/AgCl electrode without junction correction.

### Crystallographic studies

Crystals of **1** suitable for diffraction analysis was grown by slow evaporation of acetonitrile solution at room temperature. The dark green complex crystallizes in monoclinic  $P2_1/c$  space group. X-ray intensity data for compound **1** was measured at 130(2) K on Bruker AXS SMART APEX II equipped with a CCD diffractometer using graphite-monochromator ( $\text{Mo K}\alpha$ ,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ ). Metal atoms were located by direct methods, and the rest of the non-hydrogen atoms emerged from successive Fourier synthesis. The structures were refined by full-matrix least squares procedures on  $F^2$ .<sup>1</sup> All the H atoms were included in calculated positions and treated as riding atoms using SHELXL default parameters,  $\text{Uiso}(\text{H}) = 1.2\text{Ueq}(\text{C})$ . Calculations were performed using the SHELXTL v 6.14 program package.<sup>2</sup> Empirical absorption correction was applied using SADABS.<sup>3</sup> The phenyl ring (C69 to C74) connected with P3 shows the rotational disorder (Fig. S5) and refined *via* PART command along with SADI and DFIX instructions. The anisotropic displacement parameter of the carbon atoms in each ring part (either A or B) has been refined *via* EADP command. The asymmetric unit contains two rhodium complexes associated with the three acetonitrile solvent molecules. Out of them two acetonitrile molecules have been removed by using PLATON (2013) SQUEEZE Program<sup>4</sup> because of their large ADP and short intermolecular separation. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Molecular structure plots were drawn using the Oak Ridge thermal ellipsoid plot ORTEP.<sup>5</sup>

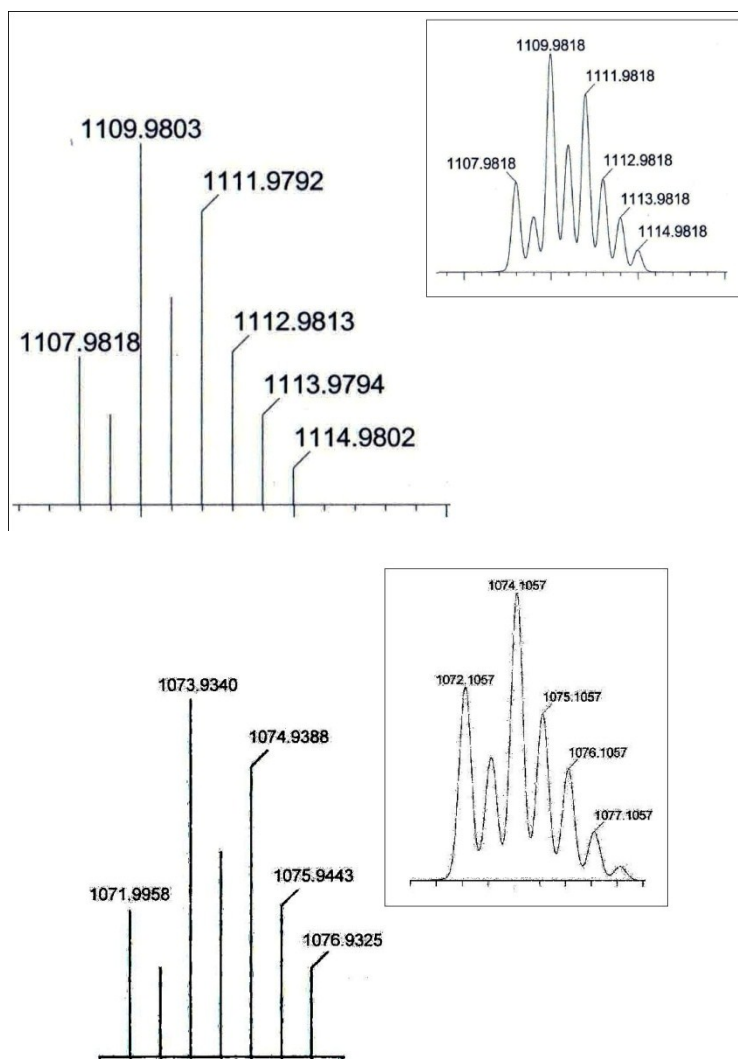
## Computational details

The molecular geometry of the singlet ground state ( $S_0$ ) of **1**, **2a** and **2b** has been calculated in gas phase in their singlet spin state without any ligand simplification by DFT method using the (R)B3LYP<sup>6</sup> hybrid functional approach incorporated in GAUSSIAN 09 program package.<sup>7</sup> The geometries of the complexes were fully optimized in gas phase without imposing any symmetry constraints. The nature of all the stationary points was checked by computing vibration frequencies, and all the species were found to be true potential energy minima, as no imaginary frequency were obtained (NImag = 0). The single crystal X-ray coordinates have been used as the initial input in all calculations. To get an insight into the ground state geometry, electronic structure and nature of FMOs of the one-electron oxidized radical cation species, **1**<sup>•+</sup> and **2a**<sup>•+</sup> were optimized by assuming an  $S = 1/2$  spin state at the (U)B3LYP level. On the basis of the optimized geometries, the absorption and emission spectra properties in dichloromethane ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) media were calculated by the time-dependent density functional theory (TD-DFT)<sup>8</sup> approach associated with the conductor-like polarizable continuum model (CPCM).<sup>9</sup> We computed the lowest 100 singlet–singlet transitions in absorption processes. The electronic structure contributions to the differences in observed optoelectronic properties are compared by natural transition orbital (NTO) analysis. This method offers the most compact representation of the transition density between the ground and excited states in terms of an expansion into single-particle transitions (hole and electron states for each given excitation). Here we refer to the unoccupied and occupied NTOs as “electron” and “hole” transition orbitals. The computed vertical transitions were calculated at the equilibrium geometry of the  $S_0$  state and described in terms of one-electron excitations of molecular orbitals of the corresponding  $S_0$  geometry. The calculated transitions with moderate intensities ( $f \geq 0.02$ ) can be envisaged going from the lower to the higher energy region of the spectrum. The rhodium atom was described by a double- $\zeta$  basis set with the effective core potential of Hay and Wadt (LANL2DZ)<sup>10</sup> and the 6-311+G(d,p) basis set<sup>11</sup> was used for the other elements present in the complexes except P, Cl and Br to optimize the ground state geometries. The 6-311G (d,p) basis set was used for P, Cl and Br to optimize the compounds. The calculated electronic density plots for frontier molecular orbitals were prepared by using the GaussView 5.0 software. GaussSum program, version 2.2<sup>12</sup> was used to calculate the molecular orbital contributions from groups or atoms.

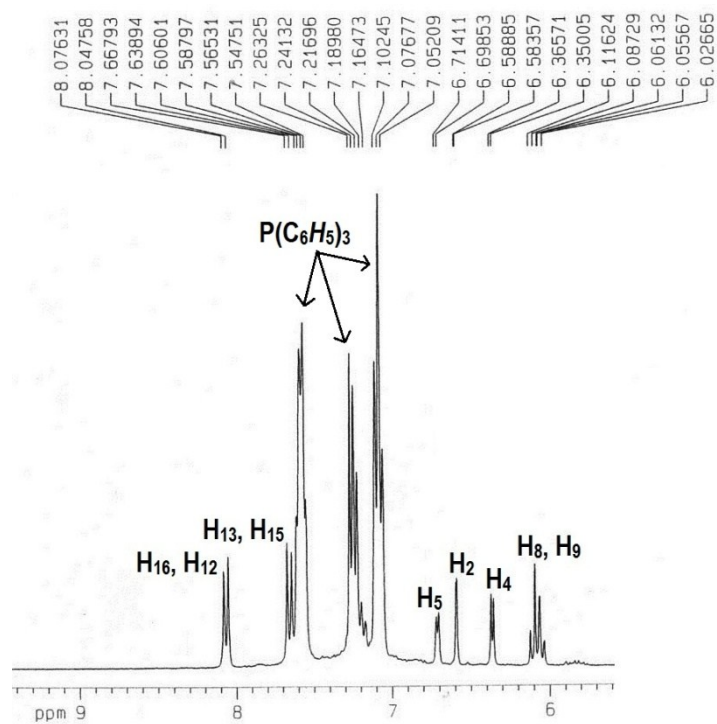
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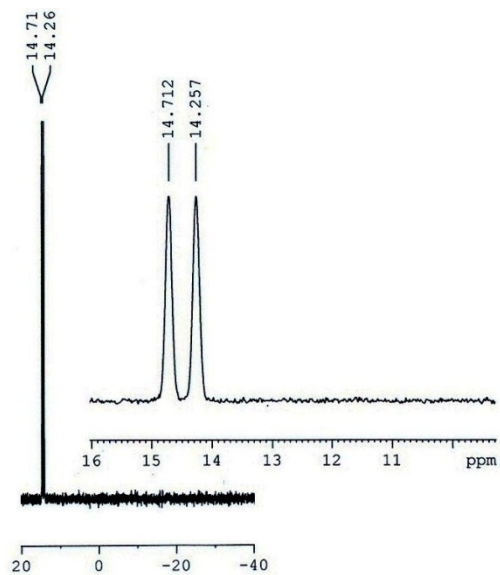
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**Fig. S1** High-resolution mass spectra of **1** (top) and **2a** (bottom) compounds. Inset: simulated isotropic pattern.



**Fig. S2**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **1** (H labeling is in accordance with the X-ray structure).

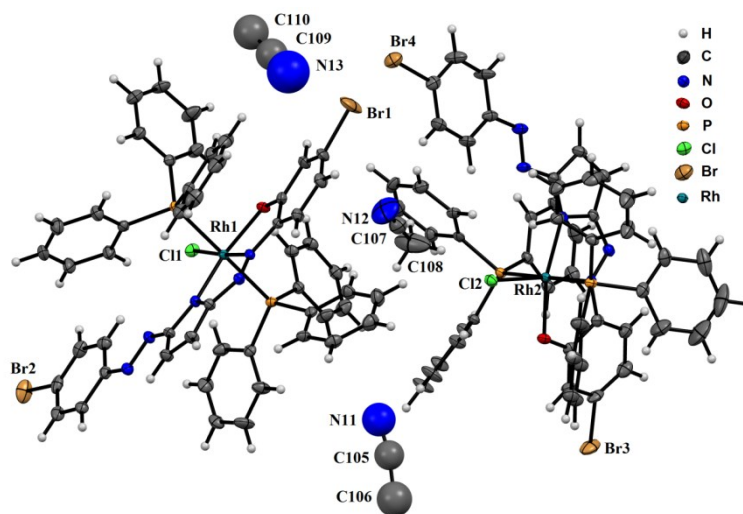


**Fig. S3**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectrum of **1**.

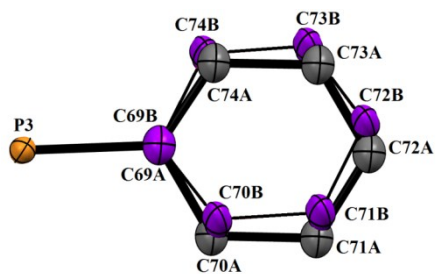
**Table S1** Crystal data and structure refinement parameters for complex **1**

Empirical formula	C <sub>52</sub> H <sub>39</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> ClN <sub>5</sub> OP <sub>2</sub> Rh·1/2CH <sub>3</sub> CN
fw	1130.53
<i>T</i> /K	130
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>
<i>a</i> / Å	31.4850(11)
<i>b</i> / Å	16.3476(5)
<i>c</i> / Å °	19.3520(6)
<i>α</i> /deg	90
<i>β</i> /deg	99.3320(10)
<i>γ</i> /deg	90
<i>V</i> / Å <sup>3</sup>	9828.7(5)
<i>Z</i>	4
<i>D</i> <sub>c</sub> /Mgm <sup>-3</sup>	1.528
<i>μ</i> /mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.138
<i>F</i> (000)	4536
cryst size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.42×0.33×0.23
<i>θ</i> /deg	2.3-28.4
measured reflns	153092
unique reflns/ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	24442 / 0.0516
GOF on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.078
<i>R</i> 1, <sup>a</sup> <i>wR</i> 2 <sup>b</sup> [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0452, 0.0912
<i>R</i> 1, <i>wR</i> 2	0.0690, 0.1048

<sup>a</sup>*R*1 =  $\sum |F_o| - |F_c| / \sum |F_o|$ . <sup>b</sup>*wR*2 =  $[\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / \sum w(F_o^2)^2]^{1/2}$ .

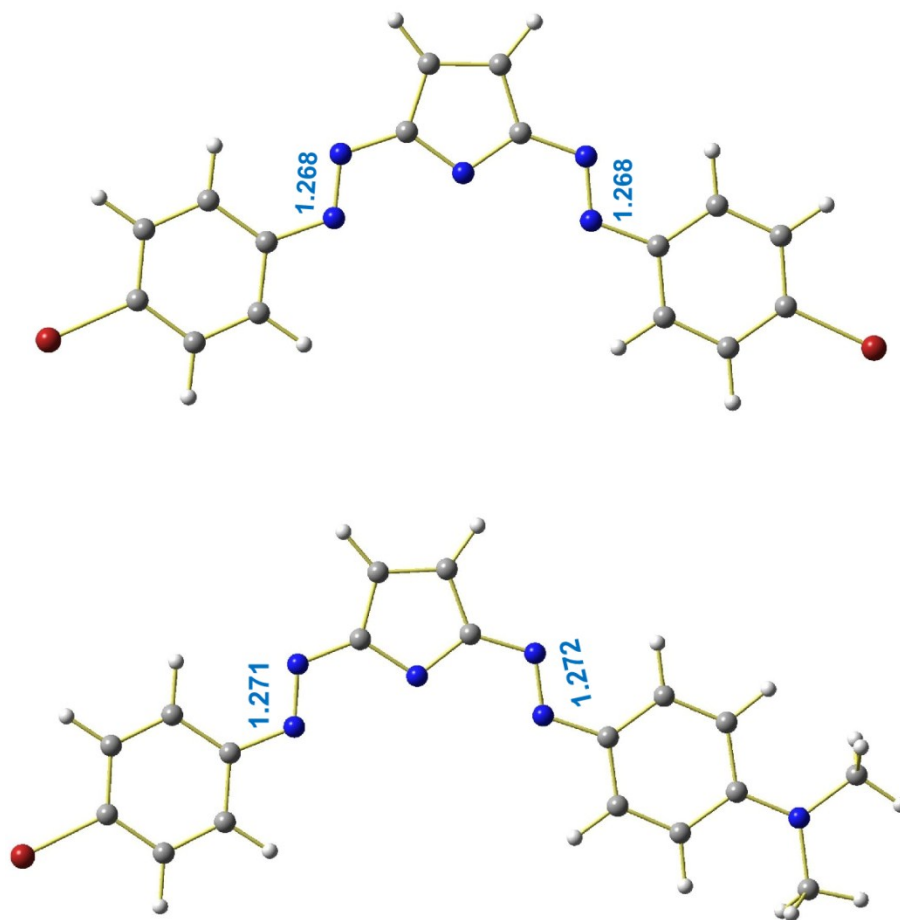


**Fig. S4** Asymmetric unit of **1** showing two rhodium complexes and three acetonitrile solvate molecules.

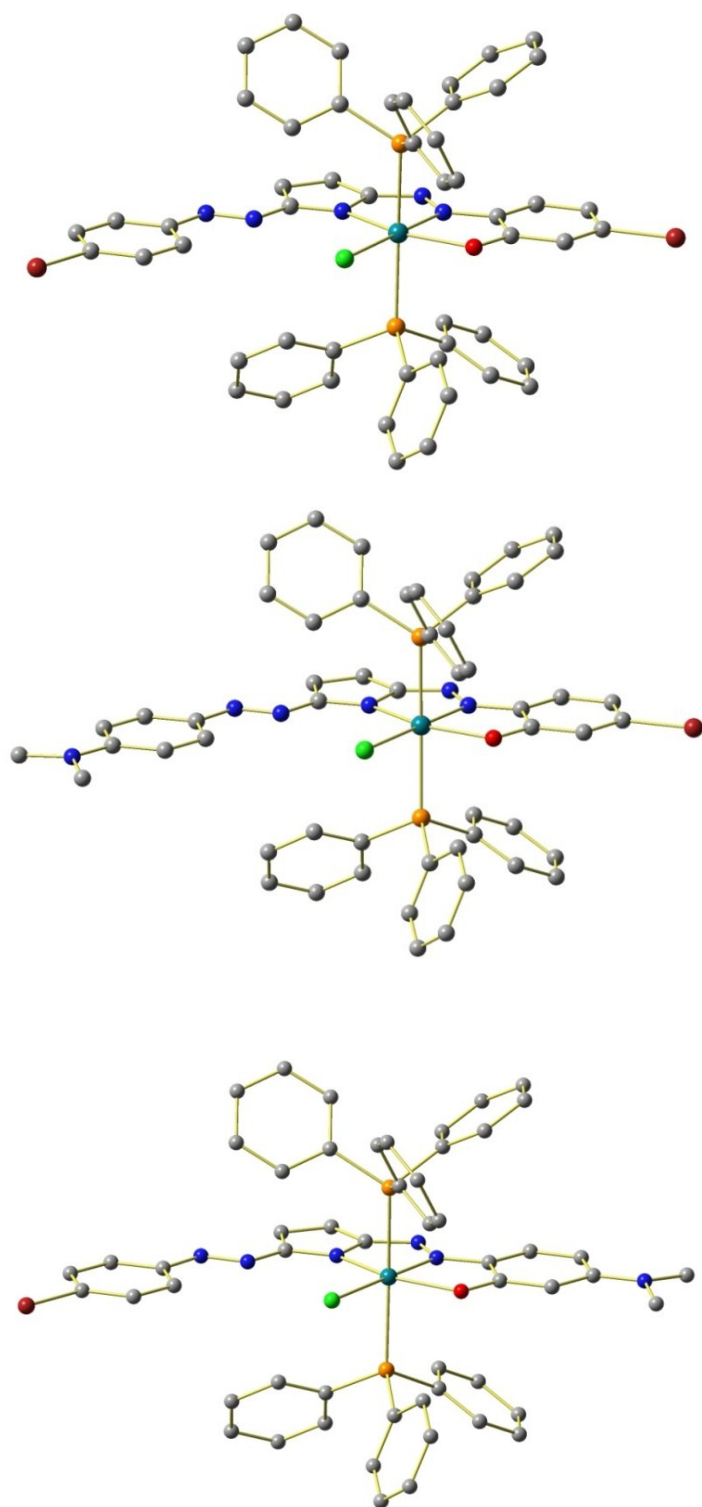


**Fig. S5** The rotational disorder of the phenyl ring showing the two different parts (A and B).





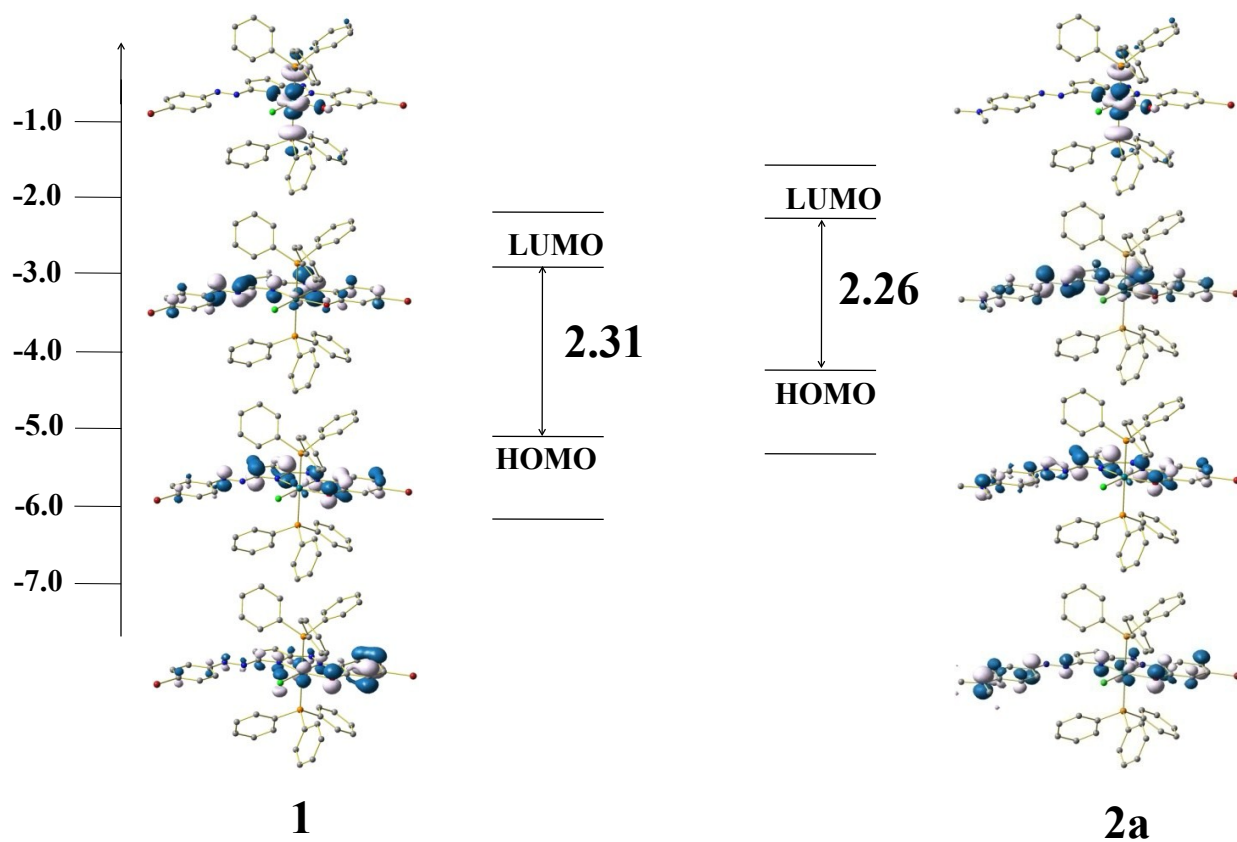
**Fig. S6** Optimized Structure of Ligand **HL<sub>1</sub>**(top) and **HL<sub>2</sub>** (bottom).



**Fig. S7** Optimized molecular structures of **1** (top), **2a** (middle) and **2b** (bottom) (Rh: cyan, N: blue, O: red, C: grey, Br: deep red, Cl: green, P: saffron. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity).

**Table S2** Selected optimized geometrical parameters of **1** and **2a** in the ground and lower lying triplet excited states at B3LYP level

<b>Bond lengths (Å)</b>					
<b>1</b>			<b>2a</b>		
	$S_0$	$T_1$		$S_0$	$T_1$
Rh1–Cl3	2.446	2.443	Rh1–Cl3	2.451	2.448
Rh1–P5	2.473	2.478	Rh1–P4	2.471	2.472
Rh1–P6	2.476	2.478	Rh1–P5	2.471	2.476
Rh1–O12	2.120	2.133	Rh1–O11	2.120	2.135
Rh1–N10	2.090	2.081	Rh1–N9	2.092	2.082
Rh1–N7	1.996	1.993	Rh1–N6	1.996	1.992
N7–N8	1.280	1.357	N6–N7	1.283	1.353
N11–N97	1.266	1.325	N10–N96	1.269	1.333
<b>Bond Angles (°)</b>					
	$S_0$	$T_1$		$S_0$	$T_1$
Cl3–Rh1–P5	86.54	86.48	Cl3–Rh1–P4	86.71	86.51
Cl3–Rh1–P6	86.94	86.49	Cl3–Rh1–P5	86.98	86.56
Cl3–Rh1–O12	98.39	100.10	Cl3–Rh1–O11	98.27	100.10
Cl3–Rh1–N10	103.79	102.99	Cl3–Rh1–N9	103.88	102.84
Cl3–Rh1–N7	178.81	179.47	Cl3–Rh1–N6	178.67	179.67
P5–Rh1–P6	172.08	171.12	P5–Rh1–P4	172.28	171.17
P5–Rh1–O12	88.49	87.95	P5–Rh1–O11	87.87	87.43
P5–Rh1–N10	93.03	93.43	P5–Rh1–N9	92.96	93.62
P5–Rh1–N7	93.34	93.49	P5–Rh1–N6	93.08	93.56
P6–Rh1–O12	88.01	87.95	P4–Rh1–O11	88.65	88.41
P6–Rh1–N10	92.89	93.43	P4–Rh1–N9	92.87	93.25
P6–Rh1–N7	93.09	93.49	P4–Rh1–N6	93.14	93.34
O12–Rh1–N10	157.82	156.90	O11–Rh1–N9	157.85	157.06
O12–Rh1–N7	80.42	79.37	O11–Rh1–N6	80.41	79.60
N10–Rh1–N7	77.39	77.53	N9–Rh1–N6	77.44	77.46



**Fig. S8** Isodensity surface plots of some selected FMOs (HOMO – 1 to LUMO + 1) for the complexes **1** and **2a** at their optimized  $S_0$  geometry in gas phase (isodensity value  $0.05 \text{ e Bohr}^{-3}$ ).

**Table S3** Frontier Molecular Orbital Composition (%) in the Ground State for **1**

Orbital	MO	Energy	Contribution(%)								Main Bond Type	
			Rh	Azo1 (ligated)	Azo2	pyrrolido	phenoxy		PP h <sub>3</sub>	Cl		
							Ph	O				
270	L+5	-1.1	1	1	0	0	1	0	96	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)$	
269	L+4	-1.13	0	0	0	2	0	0	98	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)$	
268	L+3	-1.73	5	16	2	7	2	5	4	11	$4d_{x^2-y^2}(Rh)+\pi^*(Azo1)+3p(O)$	
267	L+2	-1.85	1	13	23	29	30	0	4	0	$\pi^*(Ph+Pyrrolido+Azo2+Azo1)$	
266	L+1	-2.39	3	8	0	0	5	2	2	55	2	$\pi^*(PPh_3)+4d_z^2(Rh)$
265	LUMO	-2.95	3	27	22	15	30	1	1	1	0	$\pi^*(Ph+Azo1+Azo2+Pyrrolido)$
264	HOMO	-5.26	2	7	6	32	40	10	2	0	0	$\pi(Ph+Pyrrolido)+2p(O)$
263	H-1	-6.16	9	5	3	11	47	13	6	6	6	$\pi(Ph+Pyrrolido)+2p(O)$
262	H-2	-6.23	6	0	50	7	6	2	3	26	26	$\pi(Azo2)+3p(Cl)$
261	H-3	-6.35	8	0	1	13	7	1	45	26	26	$\pi(PPh_3+Pyrrolido)+3p(Cl)$
260	H-4	-6.51	1	7	0	30	6	3	4	6	35	$\pi(Azo2)+4d_{zx}(Rh)+3p(Cl)$
259	H-5	-6.63	7	1	0	13	18	1	27	33	33	$\pi(PPh_3+Ph+Pyrrolido)+3p(Cl)$
HOMO–LUMO gap = 2.31 eV Total Energy = -8755.3421774 Hartree												

**Table S4** Frontier Molecular Orbital Composition (%) in the Ground State for **2a**

Orbital	MO	Energy (eV)	Rh	Contribution(%)							Cl	Main Bond Type
				Azo1 (ligated)	Azo2 (free)	pyrrolido	phenoxy		PPH <sub>3</sub>			
							Ph	O				
265	L+5	-0.93	2	0	0	0	0	0	98	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)$	
264	L+4	-0.96	0	0	1	1	0	0	98	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)$	
263	L+3	-1.47	5	17	2	7	2	5	4	10	$4d_{x^2-y^2}(Rh)+\pi^*(Azo1)+3p(Cl)+\pi(Ph)$	
262	L+2	-1.49	1	11	27	27	28	0	6	0	$\pi^*(Pyrrolido+Azo2+Azo1)$	
261	L+1	-2.16	3	0	0	5	2	1	55	2	$\pi^*(PPh_3)+4d_z^2(Rh)+\pi(Ph)$	
260	LUMO O	-2.58	3	28	19	17	31	1	1	0	$\pi^*(Ph+Azo1+Azo2+Pyrrolido)$	
259	HOMO O	-4.84	2	7	6	29	48	7	2	0	$\pi(Ph+Pyrrolido)$	
258	H-1	-5.62	6	3	5	7	67	11	1	0	$\pi(Ph)+2p(O)$	
257	H-2	-5.92	3	0	64	6	8	1	2	16	$\pi(Azo2)+3p(Cl)$	
256	H-3	-6.07	5	3	1	9	24	4	30	24	$\pi(PPh_3+Ph)+3p(Cl)$	
255	H-4	-6.24	2	0	17	3	4	5	4	45	$4d_{zx}(Rh)+\pi(Azo2)+3p(Cl)$	
254	H-5	-6.27	7	2	3	15	40	4	17	12	$\pi(Ph+PPh_3+Pyrrolido)+3p(Cl)$	
HOMO–LUMO gap = 2.26 eV Total Energy = -6315.7943522 Hartree												

**Table S5** Frontier Molecular Orbital Composition (%) in the Ground State for **2b**

Orbital	MO	Energy	R	Contribution(%)							Cl	Main Bond Type
				Azo1 (ligate)	Azo2 (free)	pyrrol ido	phenoxi		PP h <sub>3</sub>			
							Ph	O				
265	L+5	-0.96	1	1	0	2	1	0	95	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)$	
264	L+4	-0.99	0	0	0	1	0	1	98	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)$	
263	L+3	-1.48	5	15	2	8	5	5	3	1	$4d_{x^2-y^2}(Rh)+\pi^*(Azo1+Phenola)$	
262	L+2	-1.53	1	16	20	28	29	0	5	0	$\pi^*(Ph+Pyrrolido+Azo2+Azo1)$	
261	L+1	-2.18	3	0	0	4	2	1	56	2	$\pi^*(PPh_3)+4d_z^2(Rh)$	
260	LUM	-2.58	2	25	23	14	33	1	1	0	$\pi^*(Ph+Azo1+Azo2+Pyrrolido)$	
259	HOM	-4.8	1	6	7	32	48	5	1	0	$\pi(Ph+Pyrrolido)$	
258	H-1	-5.77	6	0	0	2	67	19	6	0	$\pi(Ph)+2p(O)$	
257	H-2	-5.95	3	0	63	9	7	1	2	1	$\pi(Azo2)+3p(Cl)$	
256	H-3	-6	8	7	6	18	55	1	2	3	$\pi(Pyrrolido+Ph)$	
255	H-4	-6.16	9	1	0	14	2	0	40	3	$\pi(PPh_3)+\pi(Pyrrolido)+3p(Cl)$	
254	H-5	-6.26	2	0	17	5	4	5	4	4	$4d_{zx}(Rh)+\pi(Azo2)+3p(Cl)$	
HOMO–LUMO gap = 2.22 eV												
Total Energy = -6315.7931338 Hartree												

**Table S6** Frontier Molecular Orbital Composition (%) for **1<sup>•+</sup>** ( $D = \frac{1}{2}$ )

Orbital	$\alpha$ -M O	Energy (eV)	Rh	Contribution(%)							PP h <sub>3</sub>	Cl	Main Bond Type
				Azo1 (ligated)	Azo 2 (free)	pyrrolid o	phenoxi do		PP h <sub>3</sub>	Cl			
							Ph	O					
270	L+5	-3.35	0	0	0	4	0	0	96	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)$		
269	L+4	-3.42	1	1	0	2	30	1	65	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)+\pi^*(Ph)$		
268	L+3	-4.46	5 1	15	1	5	4	3	9	1 4	$4d_{x^2-y^2}(Rh)+\pi^*(Azo1)+3p(Cl)$		
267	L+2	-4.72	1	13	28	30	27	0	2	0	$\pi^*(Pyrrolido+Azo2+Ph+Azo1)$		
266	L+1	-5.00	4 3	0	0	7	4	2	48	1	$\pi^*(PPh_3)+4d_z^2(Rh)$		
265	LUM O	-5.91	3	26	20	18	31	1	2	0	$\pi^*(Ph+Azo1+Azo2+Pyrrolido)$		
264	SOM O	-8.17	3	8	6	26	51	7	6	0	$\pi(Pyrrolido+Ph)$		
263	H-1	-8.68	6	1	0	2	2	0	61	2 7	$\pi(PPh_3)+3p(Cl)$		
262	H-2	-8.83	1 1	1	12	2	4	1	16	5 5	$4d_{yz}(Rh)+\pi(Azo2)+3p(Cl)+\pi(PPh_3)$		
261	H-3	-8.96	3	0	0	2	8	1	60	2 6	$\pi(PPh_3)+3p(Cl)$		
260	H-4	-9.02	7	3	5	7	65	7	12	1	$\pi(Ph+Ligand+PPh_3)$		
259	H-5	-9.13	0	0	17	5	2	0	76	0	$\pi(PPh_3)+\pi(Azo2)$		
Orbital	$\beta$ -M O	Energy (eV)	Rh	Contribution(%)							PP h <sub>3</sub>	Cl	Main Bond Type
				Azo1 (ligated)	Azo 2 (free)	pyrrolid o	phenoxi do		PP h <sub>3</sub>	Cl			
							Ph	O					
269	L+5	-3.36	1	0	0	2	14	0	82	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)+\pi^*(Ph)$		
268	L+4	-4.44	5 2	15	1	0	5	3	8	1 4	$4d_{x^2-y^2}(Rh)+\pi^*(Azo1)+3p(Cl)$		
267	L+3	-4.54	1	11	25	34	28	0	2	0	$\pi^*(Pyrrolido+Ph+Azo2+Azo1)$		
266	L+2	-4.99	4 3	0	0	7	4	2	48	1	$\pi^*(PPh_3)+4d_z^2(Rh)$		
265	L+1	-5.66	3	21	21	14	40	3	2	0	$\pi^*(Ph+Azo1+Azo2+Pyrrolido)$		
264	LUM O	-6.91	2	8	7	31	50	9	2	0	$\pi^*(Pyrrolido+Ph)$		
263	SOM O	-8.66	6	2	0	2	3	1	63	2 5	$\pi(PPh_3)+3p(Cl)$		

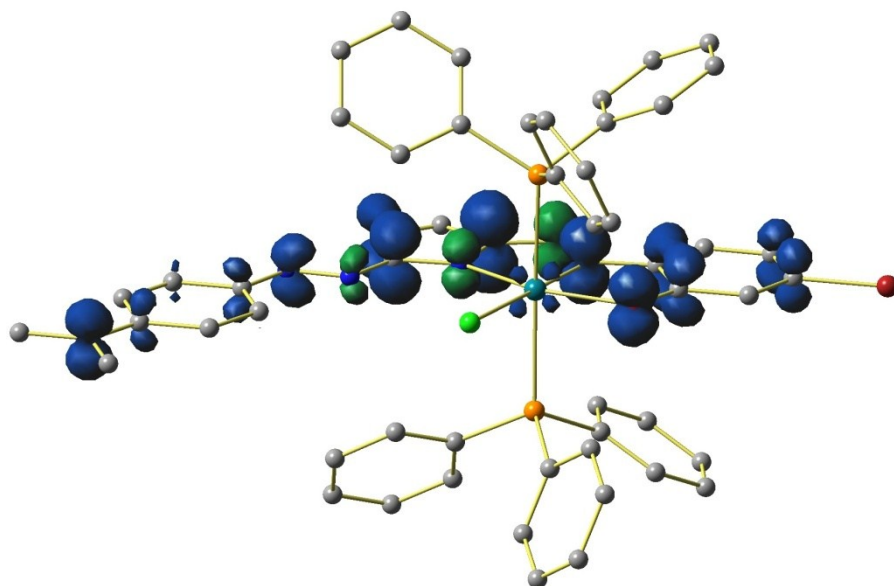


262	H-1	-8.82	9	5	6	7	53	7	11	9	$\pi(\text{Ph}+\text{PPh}_3)$
261	H-2	-8.83	1 1	1	12	3	11	2	15	4 8	$\pi(\text{PPh}_3)+4d_{zx}(\text{Rh})+\pi(\text{Azo2})+3p(\text{Cl})+\pi(\text{Ph})$
260	H-3	-8.96	3	2	1	1	11	1	57	2 6	$\pi(\text{PPh}_3)+3p(\text{Cl})+\pi(\text{Ph})$
259	H-4	-9.13	0	0	19	5	2	0	73	1	$\pi(\text{PPh}_3+\text{Azo2})$
258	H-5	-9.18	0	0	0	1	2	0	95	1	$\pi(\text{PPh}_3)$

**Table S7** Frontier Molecular Orbital Composition (%) for **2a<sup>•+</sup>** ( $D = \frac{1}{2}$ )

Orbital	$\alpha$ -MO	Energy (eV)	Rh	Contribution(%)							Main Bond Type
				Azo1 (ligated)	Azo2 (free)	pyrrolido	phenoxydo		PPh <sub>3</sub>	Cl	
							Ph	O			
265	L+5	-3.08	0	0	1	2	0	0	97	0	$\pi^*(\text{PPh}_3)$
264	L+4	-3.09	1	1	0	2	16	0	79	0	$\pi^*(\text{PPh}_3)+\pi^*(\text{Ph})$
263	L+3	-4.07	5 2	15	2	5	3	3	7	13	$4d_{x^2-y^2}(\text{Rh})+\pi^*(\text{Azo1})+3p(\text{Cl})$
262	L+2	-4.27	1	13	26	30	28	0	2	0	$\pi^*(\text{Pyrrolido}+\text{Azo2}+\text{Ph}+\text{Azo1})$
261	L+1	-4.62	4 2	0	0	7	2	2	50	1	$\pi^*(\text{PPh}_3)+4d_z^2(\text{Rh})$
260	LUMO	-5.44	3	25	20	17	33	1	1	0	$\pi^*(\text{Ph}+\text{Azo1}+\text{Azo2}+\text{Pyrrolido})$
259	SOMO	-7.56	2	7	6	22	53	5	4	0	$\pi(\text{Pyrrolido}+\text{Ph})$
258	H-1	-8.36	6	4	5	7	54	9	11	4	$\pi(\text{Ph})+\pi(\text{PPh}_3)$
257	H-2	-8.4	7	1	1	5	10	1	49	26	$\pi(\text{Ph})+3p(\text{Cl})+\pi(\text{PPh}_3)$
256	H-3	-8.49	1 1	1	19	2	4	2	10	52	$4d_{yz}(\text{Rh})+\pi(\text{Azo2})+\pi(\text{PPh}_3)+3p(\text{Cl})$
255	H-4	-8.69	3	1	0	1	5	0	62	28	$\pi(\text{PPh}_3)+3p(\text{Cl})$
254	H-5	-8.82	2	0	40	8	4	0	38	7	$\pi(\text{PPh}_3)+\pi(\text{Azo2})$
				Contribution(%)							Main Bond Type

Orbital	$\beta$ -MO	Energy (eV)	Rh	Azo1 (ligated)	Azo2 (free)	pyrrolido	phenoxydo		PPH <sub>3</sub>	Cl	
							Ph	O			
264	L+5	-3.08	0	0	1	2	0	0	97	0	$\pi^*(PPh_3)$
263	L+4	-4.05	5 2	16	2	5	3	3	7	13	$4d_{x^2-y^2}(Rh)+\pi^*(Azo1)+3p(Cl)$
262	L+3	-4.1	1	11	24	35	27	0	2	0	$\pi^*(Pyrrolido+Ph+Azo2+Azo1)$
261	L+2	-4.61	4 2	0	0	6	2	2	50	1	$4d_{x^2-y^2}(Rh)+\pi^*(PPh_3)$
260	L+1	-5.22	3	21	18	13	42	2	1	0	$\pi^*(Ph+Azo1+Azo2+Pyrrolido)$
259	LUMO	-6.42	2	8	6	28	48	6	2	0	$\pi^*(Pyrrolido+Ph)$
258	SOMO	-8.1	5	6	10	9	62	7	1	0	$\pi(Ph)+\pi(Azo2)$
257	H-1	-8.37	6	1	0	3	4	1	58	27	$\pi(PPh_3)+3p(Cl)$
256	H-2	-8.48	1 1	1	19	2	4	2	9	51	$4d_{zx}(Rh)+\pi(Azo2)+3p(Cl)$
255	H-3	-8.67	4	1	0	1	6	0	58	30	$\pi(PPh_3)+3p(Cl)$
254	H-4	-8.79	4	2	5	8	58	8	14	0	$\pi(Ph)+\pi(PPh_3)$
253	H-5	-8.81	2	0	41	8	6	0	36	8	$\pi(PPh_3)+\pi(Azo2)$



**Fig. S9** Net spin density of  $2\mathbf{a}^{\bullet+}$ . Isodensity value  $0.004 \text{ e Bohr}^{-3}$ .

( $\rho_{\text{L}} = -0.959$  [ $\rho_{\text{Phenoxido}} = -0.405$ ,  $\rho_{\text{Pyrrolido}} = -0.345$ ,  $\rho_{\text{Phenyl}} = -0.194$ ],  $\rho_{\text{Rh}} = +0.00004$ )

**Table S8** Main optical transition at the TD-DFT/B3LYP Level for the complex **1** with composition in terms of molecular orbital contribution of the transition, Computed Vertical excitation energies, and oscillator strength in dichloromethane

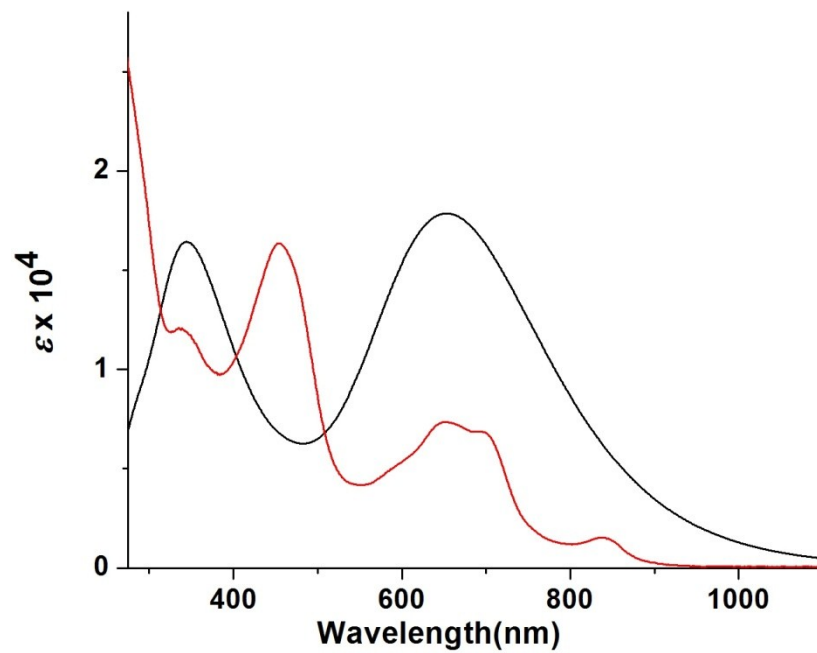
Transition	CI	Composition	E (eV)	Oscillator strength (f)	$\lambda_{\text{theo}}$ (nm)
$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	0.69449	H $\rightarrow$ L (96%)	1.9256	0.6483	643.87
$S_0 \rightarrow S_2$	0.67745	H $\rightarrow$ L+1 (92%)	2.1020	0.007	589.84
$S_0 \rightarrow S_4$	0.66795	H $\rightarrow$ L+3 (89%)	2.5523	0.0017	485.78
$S_0 \rightarrow S_5$	0.67111	H - 1 $\rightarrow$ L (90%)	2.7137	0.EV3814	456.88
$S_0 \rightarrow S_6$	0.67788	H - 3 $\rightarrow$ L (96%)	2.7680	0.0249	447.92

$S_0 \rightarrow S_9$	0.47579 0.25433 0.23913	H $\rightarrow$ L + 2(45%) H - 4 $\rightarrow$ L + 3(13%) H - 4 $\rightarrow$ L + 1(11%)	2.9566	0.0225	419.34
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{10}$	0.48034 0.01364 0.24561 0.23648	H $\rightarrow$ L+2(46%) H - 4 $\rightarrow$ L+1(14%) H - 4 $\rightarrow$ L+3(13%) H - 2 $\rightarrow$ L+1(11%)	3.0480	0.0587	406.77
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{11}$	0.39601 0.35373 0.31075 0.25048	H - 4 $\rightarrow$ L+3(31%) H - 2 $\rightarrow$ L+1(25%) H - 4 $\rightarrow$ L+1(19%) H - 2 $\rightarrow$ L+3(13%)	3.1363	0.0053	395.32
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{12}$	0.46638 0.26094 0.23795	H - 3 $\rightarrow$ L+1(44%) H - 5 $\rightarrow$ L+1(14%) H - 1 $\rightarrow$ L + 1(11%)	3.1730	0.1678	390.75
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{14}$	0.53678 0.41138	H - 6 $\rightarrow$ L(58%) H - 7 $\rightarrow$ L(34%)	3.2860	0.0340	377.31
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{17}$	0.48900 0.24313 0.23328	H - 5 $\rightarrow$ L+1 H - 3 $\rightarrow$ L + 3 H - 1 $\rightarrow$ L+ 1	3.4595	0.0514	358.39
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{18}$	0.45797 0.32370	H - 7 $\rightarrow$ L H - 6 $\rightarrow$ L	3.4606	0.0478	358.27
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{19}$	0.56443 0.27394	H-8 $\rightarrow$ L H-2 $\rightarrow$ L+ 2	3.5175	0.0053	352.48
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{20}$	0.55139 0.25543	H-12 $\rightarrow$ L H-9 $\rightarrow$ L	3.5724	0.0096	347.06
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{27}$	0.37236 0.31547 0.25410 -0.2225	H -14 $\rightarrow$ L H $\rightarrow$ L+5 H- 6 $\rightarrow$ L+1 H-7 $\rightarrow$ L+1	3.6935	0.1407	335.68

**Table S9** Main optical transition at the TD-DFT/B3LYP Level for the complex **2a** with composition in terms of molecular orbital contribution of the transition, Computed Vertical excitation energies, and oscillator strength in dichloromethane

Transition	CI	Composition	E (eV)	Oscillat or strengt h (f)	$\lambda_{\text{theo}}$ (nm)
$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	0.69582	H $\rightarrow$ L (97%)	1.8857	0.9459	657.49
$S_0 \rightarrow S_2$	0.67490	H $\rightarrow$ L+1(91%)	1.9478	0.0086	636.53
$S_0 \rightarrow S_3$	0.63307	H $\rightarrow$ L+2(80%)	2.4130	0.001	513.81
$S_0 \rightarrow S_5$	0.66491	H - 1 $\rightarrow$ L (88%)	2.5122	0.1747	493.52
$S_0 \rightarrow S_6$	0.57119 0.22437	H - 1 $\rightarrow$ L+1(65%) H - 4 $\rightarrow$ L+1(10%)	2.5895	0.0002	478.79
$S_0 \rightarrow S_9$	0.38450 0.32121 0.28109	H - 5 $\rightarrow$ L + 1(30%) H - 2 $\rightarrow$ L + 1(21%) H - 5 $\rightarrow$ L + 2(16%)	3.0296	0.0235	409.24
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{10}$	0.63015	H - 5 $\rightarrow$ L (79%)	3.0323	0.0006	408.88
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{11}$	0.46045 0.33061 0.24185	H - 5 $\rightarrow$ L+2(42%) H - 2 $\rightarrow$ L+1(22%) H - 5 $\rightarrow$ L+1(12%)	3.1237	0.0035	396.91
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{12}$	0.48760 0.25276	H- 1 $\rightarrow$ L+2(48%) H- 5 $\rightarrow$ L (13%)	3.1363	0.024	395.31
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{14}$	0.54062 0.25349 0.25489	H- 4 $\rightarrow$ L (58%) H- 3 $\rightarrow$ L(13%) H $\rightarrow$ L+3(13%)	3.2422	0.14	382.40
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{17}$	0.65122	H - 6 $\rightarrow$ L(85%)	3.3637	0.033	368.59
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{18}$	0.5449 0.4289	H $\rightarrow$ L+4 (59%) H $\rightarrow$ L +5(37%)	3.4357	0.0001	360.87
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{19}$	0.35099 0.27854 0.23035	H - 6 $\rightarrow$ L +1(25%) H - 3 $\rightarrow$ L + 1(16%) H $\rightarrow$ L+4(11%)	3.4613	0.0446	358.20

$S_0 \rightarrow S_{20}$	0.55139 0.25543	H - 12 $\rightarrow$ L H - 9 $\rightarrow$ L	3.4696	0.0096	347.06
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{27}$	0.37236 0.31547 0.25410 -0.2225	H - 14 $\rightarrow$ L H $\rightarrow$ L + 5 H - 6 $\rightarrow$ L+1 H - 7 $\rightarrow$ L+1	3.6935	0.1407	335.68



**Fig. S10** Experimental (red) and theoretical (black) absorption spectra of **2a** in dichloromethane.

$\lambda_{\text{expt}}$		Hole	Electron
697, 654 nm	$S_1$ $w = 0.96$ 1.9256 (0.6483) 643.87 nm  ILCT $\pi(\text{phenoxido} + \text{pyrrolido}) \rightarrow \pi^*(\text{azo1} + \text{azo2})$		
467 nm	$S_5$ $w = 0.90$ 2.7137 (0.3814) 456.87 nm  ILCT/MLCT $\pi(\text{phenoxido}) + 4d_{zx}(\text{Rh}) \rightarrow \pi^*(\text{azo1} + \text{azo2})$		
337 nm	$S_{15}$ $w = 0.63$ 3.3706 (0.098) 367.84 nm  LLCT/MLCT $\pi(\text{pyrrolido} + \text{P}) + 4d_{zx}(\text{Rh}) \rightarrow$ $4d_{yz}(\text{Rh}) + \pi^*(\text{PPh}_3)$		
301 nm	$S_{50}$ $w = 0.36$ 4.085 (0.032) 303.48 nm  LLCT/MLCT $\pi(\text{PPh}_3) + 4d_z^2(\text{Rh}) \rightarrow \pi^*(\text{PPh}_3)$		

**Fig. S11** Natural transition orbitals (NTOs) for complex **1** illustrating the nature of singlet excited states in the absorption bands in the range 300–700 nm. For each state, the respective number of the state, transition energy (eV), and the oscillator strength (in parentheses) are listed. Shown are only occupied (holes) and unoccupied (electrons) NTO pairs that contribute more than 35% to each excited state.



$\lambda_{\text{expt}}$		Hole	Electron
692, 654 nm	$S_1$ $w = 0.97$ 1.8857 (0.9459) 657.49 nm  ILCT $\pi(\text{phenoxido} + \text{pyrrolido} + \text{Ph}) + 2p(\text{NMe}_2)$ $\rightarrow \pi^*(\text{azo1} + \text{azo2} + \text{pyrrolido})$		
455 nm	$S_7$ $w = 0.73$ 2.8670 (0.1424) 432.45 nm  LMCT/LLCT $\pi(\text{pyrrolido} + \text{phenoxido} + \text{azo1} + \text{azo2}) +$ $2p(\text{NMe}_2) \rightarrow 4d_z^2(\text{Rh}) + 3p(\text{Cl})$		
335 nm	$S_{25}$ $w = 0.86$ 3.5776 (0.085) 346.55 nm  LMCT $\pi(\text{pyrrolido} + \text{azo2} + \text{phenoxido} + \text{azo1}) +$ $2p(\text{NMe}_2) \rightarrow 4d_{x^2-y^2}(\text{Rh})$		

**Fig. S12** Natural transition orbitals (NTOs) for complex **2a** illustrating the nature of singlet excited states in the absorption bands in the range 300–700 nm. For each state, the respective number of the state, transition energy (eV), and the oscillator strength (in parentheses) are listed. Shown are only occupied (holes) and unoccupied (electrons) NTO pairs that contribute more than 50% to each excited state.

**Table S10** Coordinates of optimized geometry <sup>11</sup>

<b>Tag</b>	<b>Symbol</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Z</b>
1	Rh	25.37605	9.277089	14.6943
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3	Cl	27.55451	10.03006	15.51376
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**Table S11** Coordinates of optimized geometry **<sup>1</sup>2a**

<b>Tag</b>	<b>Symbol</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Z</b>
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3	Cl	27.59446	9.988047	15.40824
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35	H	26.42463	16.04005	15.9101
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39	H	26.48039	15.30567	18.28653
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50	C	28.03686	6.807448	19.58545
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52	C	23.0392	4.609181	16.98548
53	H	22.71593	4.291788	17.97457

54	C	25.85916	13.29215	17.82854
55	H	25.89058	12.96076	18.86448
56	C	27.19817	6.085267	14.31194
57	C	30.81813	9.366096	9.968591
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59	C	27.01445	4.743272	13.9532
60	H	26.12784	4.20331	14.27049
61	C	25.92279	8.274877	10.43073
62	H	26.4226	8.145937	9.480488
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81	C	23.87131	5.445026	14.46409
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85	H	28.51618	7.78918	14.17412
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87	H	30.21958	6.608529	12.83559
88	C	21.24299	8.338028	14.91201
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90	C	24.15047	5.442129	16.86125
91	H	24.68214	5.756337	17.75449
92	C	24.58241	5.864653	15.59871
93	C	25.69788	12.32562	12.6541
94	C	25.45882	12.79976	15.49401
95	C	23.10909	11.99455	13.97832
96	N	27.8619	9.118381	11.85069
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98	H	21.47947	3.539155	15.95256
99	C	25.00185	13.1017	11.71806
100	H	23.93756	13.2821	11.83206
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103	N	34.00406	10.52586	11.44812
104	C	34.86931	10.54606	10.28064
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106	H	34.9294	9.555376	9.809949
107	H	34.52621	11.26626	9.52106
108	C	34.49219	11.08031	12.70117
109	H	34.35557	10.37503	13.5317
110	H	35.56131	11.2829	12.61079
111	H	33.98627	12.02221	12.96405

**Table S12** Coordinates of optimized geometry **12b**

<b>Tag</b>	<b>Symbol</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Z</b>
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2	Cl	27.55235	10.03251	15.52336
3	Br	34.5167	10.85916	11.95978
4	P	26.07855	6.998787	15.49681
5	P	24.86736	11.59211	14.1686
6	N	23.59312	8.589703	14.1008
7	N	23.42051	8.197122	12.89297
8	C	22.6053	8.60674	15.06797
9	N	25.73546	8.748393	12.70878
10	N	28.75722	9.058135	11.00369
11	O	24.29179	9.486345	16.50842
12	C	23.04119	9.09659	16.33437
13	C	22.11265	9.158596	17.38274
14	H	22.46947	9.544332	18.33085
15	C	26.99507	7.878021	19.4213
16	H	26.67892	8.607002	20.16483
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18	H	25.15766	14.11968	9.855346
19	C	20.9592	12.88118	14.60037
20	H	20.39428	13.48201	15.31024
21	C	27.08501	13.41669	10.52148
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23	C	21.06023	11.55726	12.59039
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27	C	32.70188	10.30047	11.68962
28	C	29.36183	4.850354	13.01625
29	H	30.15267	4.355909	12.45579
30	C	25.36692	12.39789	16.83178
31	H	25.14496	11.36938	17.09385
32	C	30.48647	9.9579	12.56508
33	H	29.77556	10.00085	13.38625
34	C	25.95263	15.04036	16.15221
35	H	26.18814	16.06714	15.87973
36	C	28.20043	4.156384	13.34778
37	H	28.07976	3.11614	13.05203
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41	H	28.85019	12.57978	11.43572
42	C	32.30555	9.841768	10.43659
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45	H	25.6407	14.43824	14.11766
46	C	20.37686	8.26415	15.92385
47	H	19.35583	7.944938	15.75055
48	C	22.4186	11.34096	12.79923
49	H	22.97122	10.73195	12.0891
50	C	27.95286	6.919849	19.74666
51	H	28.38395	6.893739	20.74554
52	C	23.16871	4.460416	16.98721
53	H	22.84691	4.106833	17.96468
54	C	25.67586	13.32672	17.82385

55	H	25.69907	13.00991	18.86461
56	C	27.32383	6.126784	14.45474
57	C	30.98682	9.439025	10.25237
58	H	30.64925	9.07637	9.284268
59	C	27.18669	4.787566	14.06713
60	H	26.29742	4.2241	14.33126
61	C	26.08512	8.213616	10.51752
62	H	26.61363	8.084468	9.582765
63	C	30.06424	9.490488	11.30634
64	C	20.78144	8.742724	17.2074
65	C	27.81683	6.036738	17.50285
66	H	28.15238	5.316276	16.76248
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68	C	28.36255	5.999393	18.78419
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76	C	26.85263	6.998014	17.17204
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81	C	24.00316	5.379889	14.49635
82	H	24.31278	5.730789	13.51558
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84	C	28.49386	6.819883	14.11592
85	H	28.6099	7.858654	14.41074
86	C	29.50596	6.180846	13.40509
87	H	30.40671	6.732716	13.14645
88	C	21.27635	8.200354	14.88397
89	H	20.96697	7.836009	13.90834
90	C	24.24164	5.346427	16.89739
91	H	24.74424	5.666947	17.805
92	C	24.67504	5.811313	15.65033
93	C	25.69278	12.27517	12.66873
94	C	25.34377	12.78986	15.48881
95	C	23.06833	11.90555	13.90735
96	N	27.95138	9.121406	11.98136
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98	H	21.67963	3.335944	15.90804
99	C	25.00803	12.99859	11.68365
100	H	23.93358	13.13883	11.74701
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102	H	22.43022	4.164652	13.68406
103	N	19.8789	8.78831	18.25201
104	C	18.47017	8.511436	18.01891
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107	H	18.32095	7.496351	17.6292
108	C	20.26938	9.396257	19.51278
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110	H	21.13201	8.878093	19.95161
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**Table S13** Coordinates of optimized geometry  $21^{+}$ 

Tag	Symbol	X	Y	Z
1	Rh	25.36357	9.267638	14.68435
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4	Br	34.58316	10.7295	11.87999
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6	P	24.8987	11.67044	14.16674
7	N	23.59234	8.648344	14.0122
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10	N	25.77783	8.800532	12.70946
11	N	28.80286	9.081409	11.06666
12	O	24.17692	9.493397	16.4342
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21	H	20.47761	13.58194	15.42663
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27	H	19.29525	12.65708	13.44528
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33	C	30.56695	9.941277	12.58848
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48	H	19.27306	8.034991	15.45224
49	C	22.41985	11.46303	12.83344
50	H	22.94945	10.86795	12.09435
51	C	27.94591	6.96491	19.73284
52	H	28.38711	6.940213	20.72666
53	C	23.011	4.679495	17.13524
54	H	22.68606	4.385288	18.13065
55	C	25.74405	13.33188	17.84407



56	H	25.74865	13.00892	18.88266
57	C	27.20839	6.093063	14.45751
58	C	31.005	9.395453	10.25236
59	H	30.63506	9.036802	9.295165
60	C	27.00723	4.766272	14.05387
61	H	26.0969	4.23804	14.3183
62	C	26.17827	8.273923	10.50828
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68	C	24.60709	8.342353	12.10444
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77	C	26.81684	7.036289	17.17299
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80	C	31.89035	10.30981	12.74349
81	H	32.25224	10.66724	13.70313
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84	C	26.73181	8.766514	11.76607
85	C	28.41268	6.734517	14.13131
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87	C	29.39398	6.055909	13.41484
88	H	30.32868	6.55895	13.1776
89	C	21.23447	8.262331	14.63094
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91	C	24.11864	5.514834	16.99422
92	H	24.64511	5.853666	17.8814
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94	C	25.73273	12.32461	12.66399
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96	C	23.10064	11.99564	13.94007
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99	H	21.47459	3.556934	16.12392
100	C	25.04796	12.99222	11.63988
101	H	23.96992	13.11009	11.67756
102	C	22.76077	4.596801	14.73968
103	H	22.2392	4.235545	13.85609

**Table S14** Coordinates of optimized geometry **<sup>2</sup>2a<sup>•+</sup>**

<b>Tag</b>	<b>Symbol</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Z</b>
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2	Br	19.47943	8.899808	18.43957
3	Cl	27.56649	9.969426	15.38094
4	P	26.01919	6.977435	15.42492
5	P	24.90301	11.65566	14.16966
6	N	23.57002	8.652229	14.0243
7	N	23.38685	8.272855	12.78478
8	C	22.57592	8.666221	14.95363
9	N	25.70534	8.794905	12.63797
10	N	28.67502	9.063759	10.86019
11	O	24.25621	9.478368	16.43339
12	C	23.01832	9.130181	16.24643
13	C	22.06508	9.193053	17.29312
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15	C	27.16883	7.876559	19.28132
16	H	26.92617	8.628181	20.02922
17	C	25.59658	13.61078	10.58147
18	H	25.0231	14.1708	9.846195
19	C	21.06839	13.02233	14.87817
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23	C	21.00576	11.75493	12.8295
24	H	20.45428	11.35976	11.97917
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26	H	19.28776	12.72412	13.70192
27	C	32.69123	10.22217	11.30301
28	C	29.06241	4.670078	12.79469
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34	C	26.22783	14.99313	16.17889
35	H	26.5019	16.01308	15.91874
36	C	27.88887	4.032596	13.18999
37	H	27.70866	2.996071	12.91371
38	C	26.25897	14.5752	17.50784
39	H	26.55858	15.2685	18.29065
40	C	27.69962	12.75675	11.39126
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42	C	32.15895	9.756547	10.06388
43	H	32.79106	9.692093	9.185744
44	C	25.84786	14.10588	15.17468
45	H	25.83115	14.4474	14.14371
46	C	20.33541	8.354926	15.76613
47	H	19.29961	8.065597	15.62175
48	C	22.36715	11.49435	12.94764
49	H	22.85704	10.89714	12.18312
50	C	28.08489	6.868772	19.57597
51	H	28.556	6.828062	20.55554
52	C	23.0343	4.678141	17.12116
53	H	22.7319	4.385989	18.12427
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58	H	30.43966	9.032558	9.016093
59	C	26.94269	4.714122	13.95396
60	H	26.04656	4.191333	14.27237
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62	H	26.54892	8.169019	9.482342
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64	C	20.76791	8.814098	17.03993
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71	H	23.93821	7.668813	10.02121
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77	C	26.56702	7.937324	18.02668
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79	C	31.80424	10.28329	12.4251
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83	C	26.63128	8.762794	11.65364
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85	H	28.52742	7.717068	14.20716
86	C	29.28785	5.994916	13.1655
87	H	30.20483	6.497124	12.8654
88	C	21.23517	8.282773	14.73373
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93	C	25.6682	12.33049	12.63851
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95	C	23.10145	12.00905	14.02784
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97	C	22.31903	4.227814	16.01513
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106	H	34.97065	9.499711	9.884333
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108	C	34.52195	11.07785	12.69242
109	H	34.44063	10.31225	13.47402
110	H	35.57636	11.32534	12.56861
111	H	33.99589	11.98118	13.02542