Supporting Information for

Luminescent osmium(II) bi-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl complexes: photophysical characterisation and application in lightemitting electrochemical cells

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Figure S1: UV-Visible electronic absorption spectra for CH₂Cl₂ solutions of complexes 1-4.



Figure S2: Normalised emission spectra recorded for aerated CH_2Cl_2 solutions of complexes 1-3 at room temperature.

Complex	$\lambda_{(abs)}$ / $\lambda_{(em)}$ / $\tau_{(aerated)}$ /		au _(aerated) /	$ au_{(degassed)}$ /	$\Phi_{(aerated)}$ /	$\Phi_{(degassed)}$ /
	nm	nm <i>a</i>	ns	ns	% ^b	% ^b
1	648, 585, 480, 449,					
	437, 390, 369, 329,	717	73	90	1.1	1.4
	291					
2	634, 578, 467, 438,					
	427, 387, 359, 325,	705	95	131	1.5	2.0
	291					
3	613, 568, 450, 425,					
	392, 324, 290	697	123	175	1.9	2.8
4	418, 388, 338,					
	316, 292	-	-	-	-	-

Table S1: Summarised photophysical data for room temperature CH₂Cl₂ solutions of 1-4.

 $a \lambda^{ex} = 600$ nm; b Relative to $[Ru(bpy)_3][PF_6]_2 \Phi_{em} = 0.018$ in aerated MeCN



Figure S3: Normalised emission spectrum recorded for $[Os(btz)_3][PF_6]_2(4)$ in aerated MeCN at room temperature ($\lambda^{ex} = 365$ nm). Weak emission is discernible above the noise level after subtraction of solvent Raman scattering signals.



Figure S4: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(η⁶-C₆H₆)(bpy)Cl][PF₆]



Figure S5: ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(η⁶-C₆H₆)(bpy)Cl][PF₆]



Figure S6: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(η⁶-C₆H₆)(btz)Cl][PF₆]



Figure S7: ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(η⁶-C₆H₆)(btz)Cl][PF₆]



Figure S8: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(bpy)₃][PF₆]₂ (Complex 1)



Figure S9: ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(bpy)₃][PF₆]₂ (Complex 1)



Figure S10: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(bpy)₂(btz)][PF₆]₂ (Complex **2**)



Figure S11: ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(bpy)₂(btz)][PF₆]₂ (Complex **2**)



Figure S12: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(bpy)(btz)₂][PF₆]₂ (Complex 3)



Figure S13: ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(bpy)(btz)₂][PF₆]₂ (Complex 3)



Figure S14: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(btz)₃][PF₆]₂ (Complex 4)



Figure S15: ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, d₃-MeCN) of [Os(btz)₃][PF₆]₂ (Complex 4)

Optimised ground state geometry of the dication [Os(bpy)]²⁺(Complex 1)

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geometry			
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Optimised ground state geometry of the dication [Os(bpy)₂(btz)]²⁺(Complex 2)

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geometry			
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Optimised ground state geometry of the dication [Os(bpy)(btz)₂]²⁺(Complex 3)

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geometry			
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Optimised ground state geometry of the dication [Os(btz)₃]²⁺(Complex 4)

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geometry			
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Complex	Transition	Wavelength / nm	Composition	Character
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1	51 S	343(2.26, 0.0023) 482(2.57, 0.022)		
	54 S	462(2.37, 0.022)	HOMO 1 \rightarrow LUMO 1 \rightarrow LUMO 2	
	36	445 (2.80, 0.11)	HOMO $2 \rightarrow LUMO + 1$, HOMO $2 \rightarrow LUMO + 2$,	MLCI
	C	220(2.77, 0.10)	HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO+7 HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO+2	INI CT
	S ₂₂	329 (3.77, 0.10)	HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO+7, HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO+5 &	MLCI
	C	272(45(-0.40))	HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO+4	
	S ₃₈	272 (4.56, 0.46)	HOMO-4→LUMO+1 & HOMO-3→LUMO+2	LC
2	S.	518 (2 39 0 0022)	HOMO	¹ MLCT(hpv)
-	S_1 S_5	438 (2.83, 0.13)	HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO & HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO+1	1 MLCT(bpy)
	S ₅	417(2.97, 0.047)	HOMO-2 \rightarrow LIMO+1	1 MLCT(bpy)
	S ₁₀	328 (3.78, 0.090)	HOMO \rightarrow LIMO $+7$ & HOMO $-1 \rightarrow$ LIMO $+3$	1 MI CT(bpy&btz)
	S18 S22	314(3.95, 0.092)	HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO+6 & HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO+8	1 MI CT(bpy&btz)
	S23 S25	272 (4 55 0 54)	HOMO-4-JUMO	¹ LC(bpy)
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3	S_1	493 (2.51, 0.0014)	HOMO→LUMO	¹ MLCT(bpy)
	S_3	419 (2.96, 0.10)	HOMO-2→LUMO	¹ MLCT(bpy)
	S_{17}	318 (3.90, 0.99)	HOMO-1→LUMO+3 & HOMO→LUMO+6	¹ MLCT(bpy&btz)
	S_{26}	299 (4.14, 0.14)	HOMO-2→LUMO+7 & HOMO-1→LUMO+8	¹ MLCT(btz)
	S ₃₂	273 (4.55, 0.32)	HOMO-3→LUMO & HOMO-5→LUMO	¹ LC(bpy)
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4	\mathbf{S}_1	374 (3.31, 0.011)	HOMO→LUMO	¹ MLCT
	S_5	344 (3.60, 0.018)	HOMO-1→LUMO	¹ MLCT
	S ₁₃	312 (3.98, 0.084)	HOMO→LUMO+8, HOMO-1→LUMO+6 & HOMO-1→LUMO+3	¹ MLCT
	S ₂₂	300 (4.13, 0.13)	HOMO-1→LUMO+6	¹ MLCT
	S ₂₅	295 (4.20, 0.091)	HOMO-1→LUMO+8, HOMO-2→LUMO+7 & HOMO→LUMO+6	¹ MLCT

 Table S2. Summary of TDDFT vertical excitation data for complexes 1 to 4.



Figure S16: Calculated TDDFT optical absorption spectra for complexes **1** to **4** overlaid with experimental UV-Visible absorption data in acetonitrile solutions.