Supplementary Information

Two-Dimensional Hopping Motion of Encapsulated La Atoms in Silylated $La_2@C_{80}$

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Figure S1. HPLC profiles of isolated (a) **3a** and (b) **3b**; column, Buckyprep \$4.6 mm \$\times\$ 250 mm; eluent, toluene 1.0 mL/min. 330 nm UV detection was used.



Figure S2. MALDI-TOF Mass spectra of isolated (a) **3a** and (b) **3b**. The spectra were recorded in negative mode with 9-nitroanthracene as matrix.



Figure S3. Vis-near-IR spectra of isolated 3a (green line), 3b (red line), and $La_2@C_{80}$ (blue line).

(a)



Figure S4. (a) Cyclic and (b) differential pulse voltammograms of 3a. The peaks of 3a and the peaks of $La_2@C_{80}$ formed by retro-cycloaddition are marked as red and blue arrows (circles), respectively.

(a)



Figure S5. (a) Cyclic and (b) differential pulse voltammograms of **3b**. The peaks of **3b** and the peaks of $La_2@C_{80}$ formed by retro-cycloaddition are marked as red and blue arrows (circles), respectively.



Figure S6. ¹H NMR spectrum (300 MHz) of 3a in CS_2/CD_2Cl_2 (3/1) at 213 K.



Figure S7. ¹³C NMR spectrum (125 MHz) of 3a in CS₂/CD₂Cl₂ (3/1) at 213 K.



Figure S8. ¹H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of 3b in CS_2/CD_2Cl_2 (3/1) at 288 K.



Figure S9. ¹³C NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of 3b in CS_2/CD_2Cl_2 (3/1) at 288 K.



Figure S10. ¹³C NMR spectrum (150 MHz) of $La_2@C_{80}$ in CS₂ (acetone- d_6 in capillary as lock solvent) at 298 K.

Table S1. Redox Potentials^a of **3a**, **3b** and $La_2@C_{80}$

Compound	$E_{ m ox}$	$E_{ m red}$
3 a	-0.06 ^b	-0.76
3 b	-0.03 ^b	-0.70
La ₂ @C ₈₀	0.56°	-0.31°

^aValues are obtained by differencial pulse voltammetry in Volts relative to ferrocene/ferrocenium couple. Conditions: 0.1 M (*n*-Bu)₄NPF₆ in 1,2-dichlorobenzene; working electrode, Pt disk; counter electrode, Pt wire; reference electrode, SCE. ^bIrreversible. ^cT. Suzuki, Y. Maruyama, T. Kato, K. Kikuchi, Y. Nakao, Y. Achiba, K. Kobayashi and S. Nagase, *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Engl.*, 1995, **34**, 1094.