## Lipophilic Re(CO)<sub>3</sub>Pyca Complexes for Mid-IR Imaging Applications

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Figure S56: The structures of compound 1a with 35% thermal ellipsoids. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



**Figure S57:** The structures of compound **1b** with 35% thermal ellipsoids. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



**Figure S58:** The structures of compound **2a** with 35% thermal ellipsoids. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



**Figure S59:** The structures of compound **2b** with 35% thermal ellipsoids. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure S60: The structures of compound 3a with 35% thermal ellipsoids. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



**Figure S61:** The structures of compound **3b** with 35% thermal ellipsoids. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure S62: The structures of compound 5b with 35% thermal ellipsoids. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure S63: FTIR spectrum of 100 mol % DOPC vesicles.



Figure S64: FTIR spectrum of 95 mol % DOPC, and 5 mol % by Re(I) content of compound 5a vesicles.

Compound	1a	1b	2a	2b
CCDC	2040147	2040148	2040149	2040150
Empirical formula	$C_{14}H_{16}ClN_2O_3Re$	$C_{14}H_{16}BrN_2O_3Re$	$C_{16}H_{20}ClN_2O_3Re$	$C_{16}H_{20}BrN_2O_3Re$
Formula weight	481.94	526.40	509.99	554.45
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/c$	$P2_1/c$	$P2_1/c$	C2/c
a/ Å	12.987(15)	13.0993(5)	14.1835(10)	37.124(10)
b/ Å	9.232(11)	9.2231(4)	9.7002(7)	8.127(2)
c/ Å	13.131(16)	13.0735(5)	12.7862(9)	12.214(4)
α(°)	90	90	90	90
β(°)	92.96(2)	92.466(2)	91.480(3)	95.870(10)
γ(°)	90	90	90	90
Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1572(3)	1578.03(11)	1758.6(2)	3665.5(18)
Ζ	4	4	4	8
$Dc (Mg/m^3)$	2.036	2.216	1.926	2.009
μ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	7.909	10.243	7.076	8.825
F(000)	920	992	984	2112
reflns collected	14201	14638	16206	34493
indep. reflns	3877	3876	4374	4544
GOF on F <sup>2</sup>	1.036	1.011	1.071	1.041
R1 (on $F_0^2$ , I >	0.0322	0.0323	0.0275	0.0215
2σ(I))				
wR2 (on $F_0^2$ , I	0.0752	0.0615	0.0619	0.0539
> 2 $\sigma(I)$ )				
R1 (all data)	0.0426	0.0452	0.0397	0.0260
wR2 (all data)	0.0797	0.0665	0.0810	0.0550

 Table S1: X-ray crystal data and structure parameters for compounds 1a,b and 2a,b.

Compound	<b>3</b> a	3b	5b
CCDC	2040151	2040152	2040153
Empirical	$C_{40}H_{56}Cl_2N_4O_6Re_2$	$C_{40}H_{56}Br_2N_4O_6Re_2$	C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>34</sub> BrN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Re
formula			
Formula weight	1132.18	1221.10	652.63
Crystal system	Triclinic	Triclinic	Triclinic
Space group	P-1	P-1	P-1
a/ Å	6.460(4)	6.499(3)	6.5604(5)
b/ Å	8.018(4)	8.104(4)	8.0273(5)
c/ Å	22.053(13)	22.210(11)	24.7618(19)
α(°)	84.53(3)	87.49(4)	96.463(3)
β(°)	85.03(3)	82.67(3)	94.773(3)
	75.25(3)	74.59(3)	103.929(2)
Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1097.2(10)	1118.4(9)	1249.37(16)
Ζ	1	1	2
$Dc (Mg/m^3)$	1.714	1.813	1.735
μ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	5.680	7.240	6.487
F(000)	556	592	640
reflns collected	48124	42444	61344
indep. reflns	5473	5549	6226
GOF on F <sup>2</sup>	1.060	1.068	1.020
R1 (on $F_0^2$ , I >	0.0349	0.0381	0.0155
2σ(I))			
wR2 (on $F_o^2$ , I >	0.0807	0.0665	0.0373
2σ(I))			
R1 (all data)	0.0446	0.0536	0.0170
wR2 (all data)	0.0828	0.0695	0.0377

 Table S2: X-ray crystal data and structure parameters for compounds 3a,b and 5b.

	<b>1</b> a	1b	2a	2b
Re-N <sub>(imine)</sub> (Å)	2.184(5)	2.171(4)	2.172(3)	2.167(3)
Re-N <sub>(py)</sub> (Å)	2.166(5)	2.161(4)	2.175(4)	2.174(3)
Re-C (Å)	1.917(6)	1.927(5)	1.922(5)	1.919(4)
	1.930(6)	1.908(5)	1.899(5)	1.928(3)
	1.930(6)	1.914(5)	1.936(5)	1.920(3)
$C-O_{(c \equiv 0)}(A)$	1.161(6)	1.147(6)	1.151(6)	1.137(4)
	1.167(6)	1.152(6)	1.161(6)	1.141(4)
	1.159(7)	1.158(5)	1.146(5)	1.148(4)
Re-X <sub>(Cl,Br)</sub> (Å)	2.513(3)	2.6196(5)	2.4997(12)	2.6264(7)
N-Re-N (°)	74.65(15)	74.68(14)	74.72(14)	74.85(10)

Table S3: Selected bond lengths and angles for compounds 1a,b and 2a,b.

	<b>3</b> a	3b	5b
Re-N <sub>(imine)</sub> (Å)	2.161(4)	2.152(5)	2.1609(16)
Re-N <sub>(py)</sub> (Å)	2.181(4)	2.180(4)	2.1726(16)
Re-C (Å)	1.930(6)	1.908(7)	1.920(2)
	1.914(6)	1.900(6)	1.910(2)
	1.932(5)	1.917(6)	1.926(2)
$C-O_{(c\equiv 0)}(Å)$	1.148(7)	1.162(7)	1.150(3)
	1.142(7)	1.169(7)	1.146(3)
	1.136(6)	1.151(6)	1.148(3)
Re-X <sub>(Cl,Br)</sub> (Å)	2.4713(17)	2.6174(13)	2.6226(3)
N-Re-N (°)	74.67(15)	74.90(16)	74.80(6)

Table S4: Selected bond lengths and angles for compounds 3a,b, and 5b.