



Supporting Information

for

Enhanced reactivity of $\text{Li}^+@C_{60}$ toward thermal [2 + 2] cycloaddition by encapsulated Li^+ Lewis acid

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HPLC profiles, NMR, HRMS, UV–vis absorption spectra, and computational details

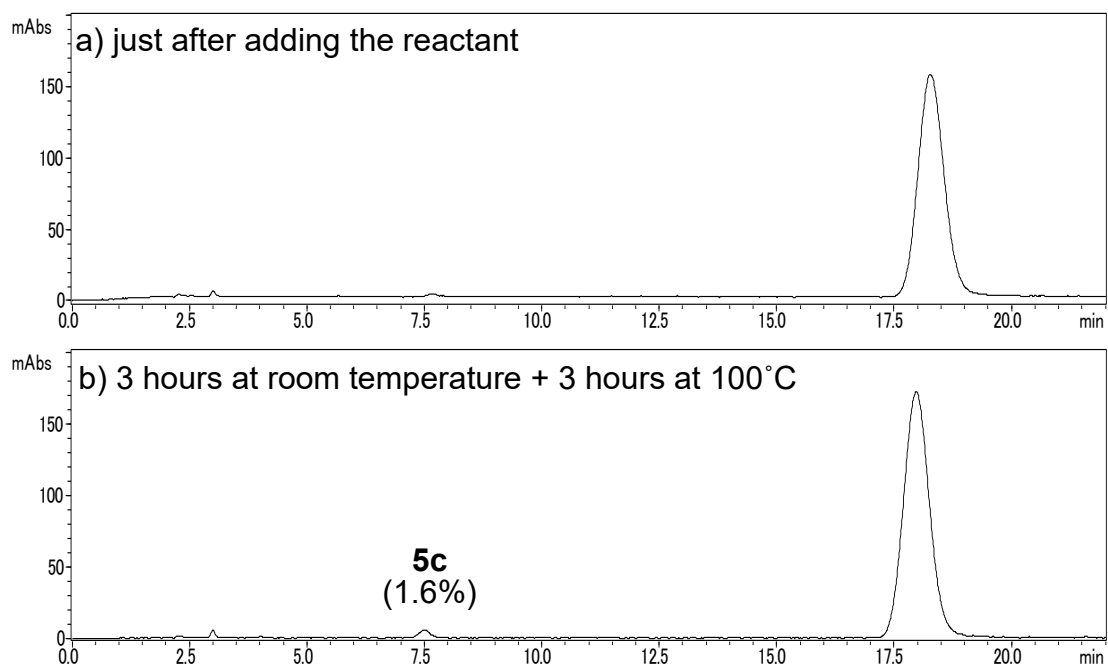


Figure S1: HPLC profiles for the reaction of $\text{Li}^+\text{@C}_{60}\text{TFSI}^-$ (1 mM) and **3** (100 mM) in ODCB. a) just after adding the reactant, b) 3 hours at room temperature + 3 hours at 100 °C.

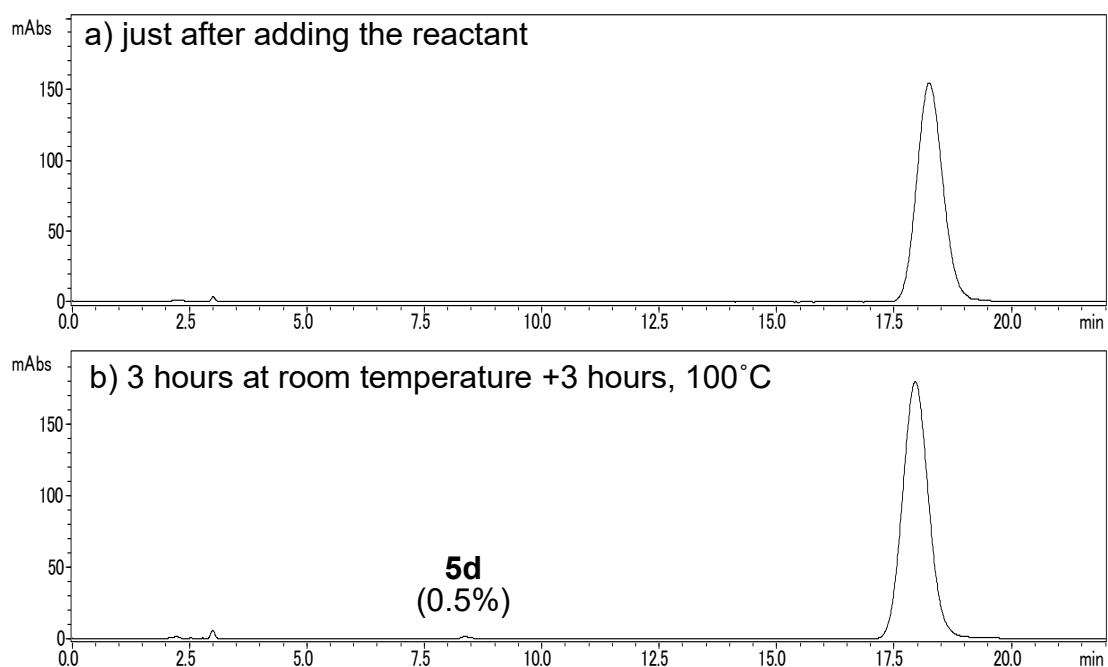


Figure S2: HPLC profiles for the reaction of $\text{Li}^+\text{@C}_{60}\text{TFSI}^-$ (1 mM) and **4** (100 mM) in ODCB. a) just after adding the reactant, b) 3 hours at room temperature + 3 hours at 100 °C.

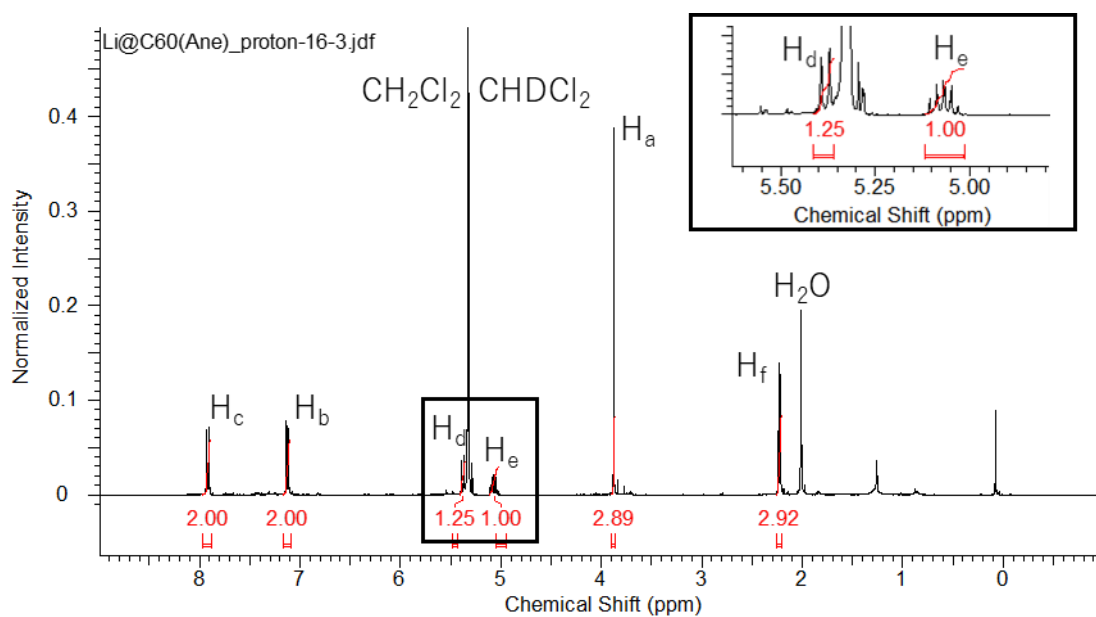


Figure S3: ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) of **5a**.

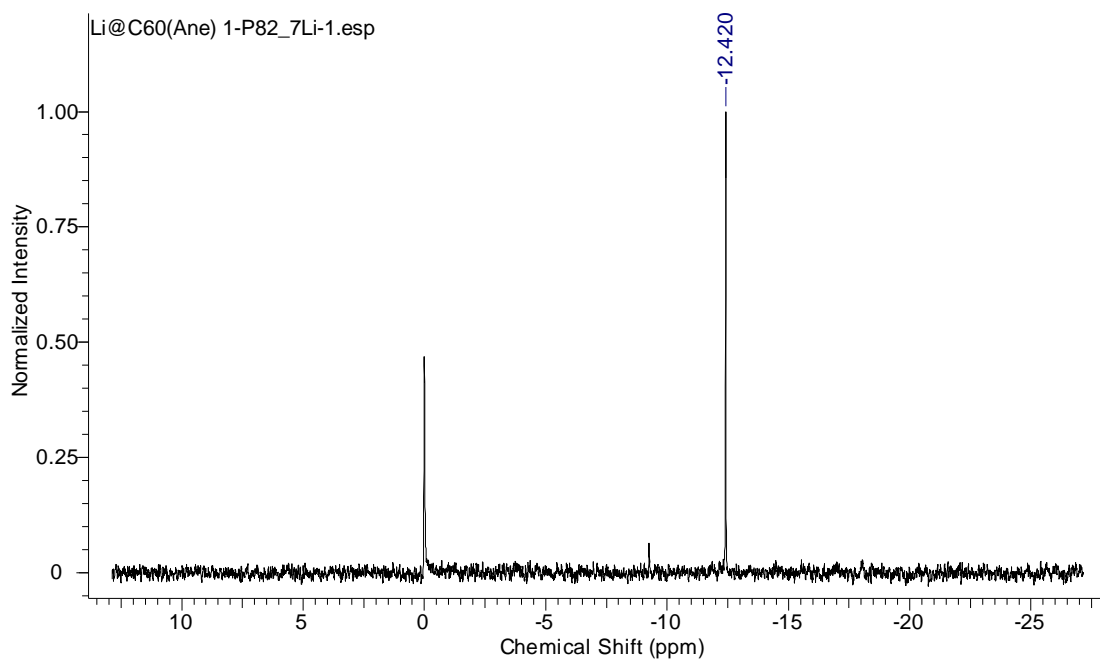


Figure S4: ⁷Li NMR spectrum (155 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) of **5a**. LiCl in D₂O was used as an external standard (0 ppm)

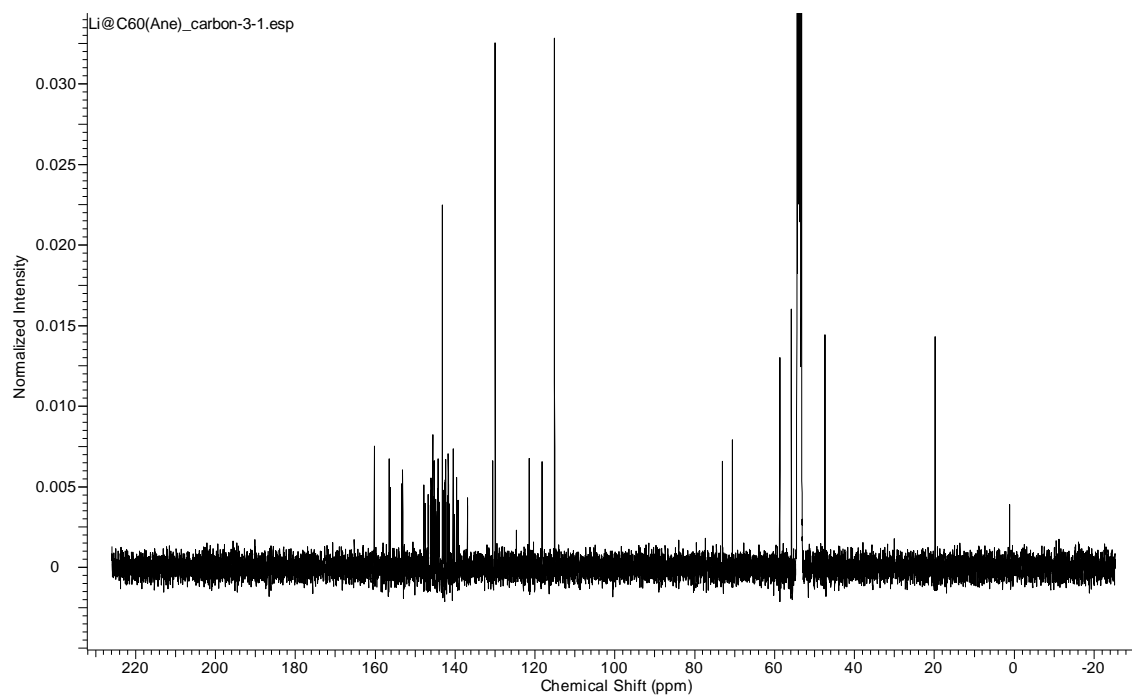


Figure S5: ^{13}C NMR spectrum (100 MHz, CD_2Cl_2) of **5a**.

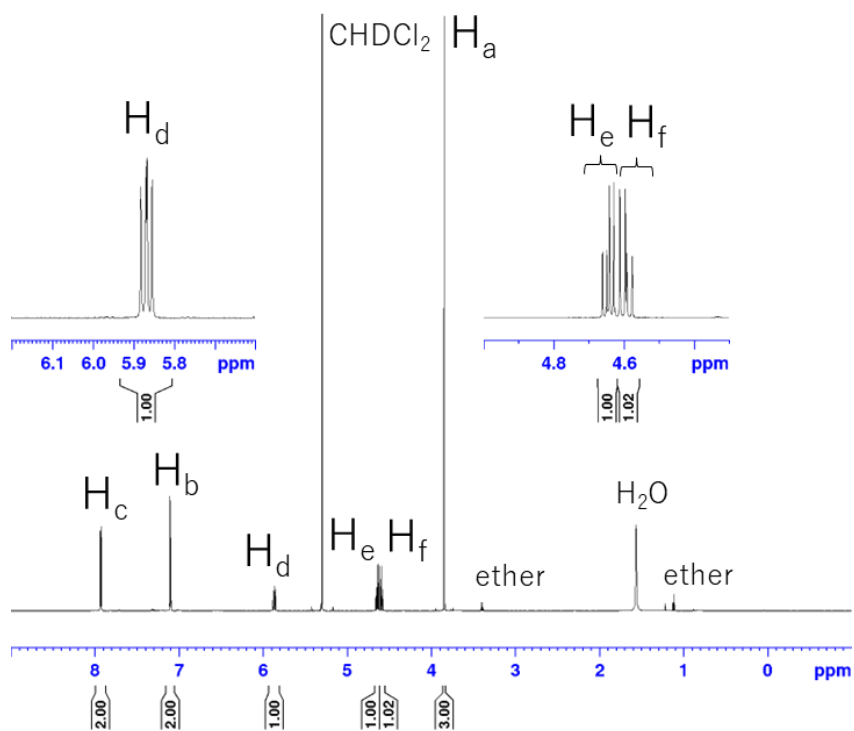


Figure S6: ^1H NMR spectrum (700 MHz, CD_2Cl_2) of **5b**.

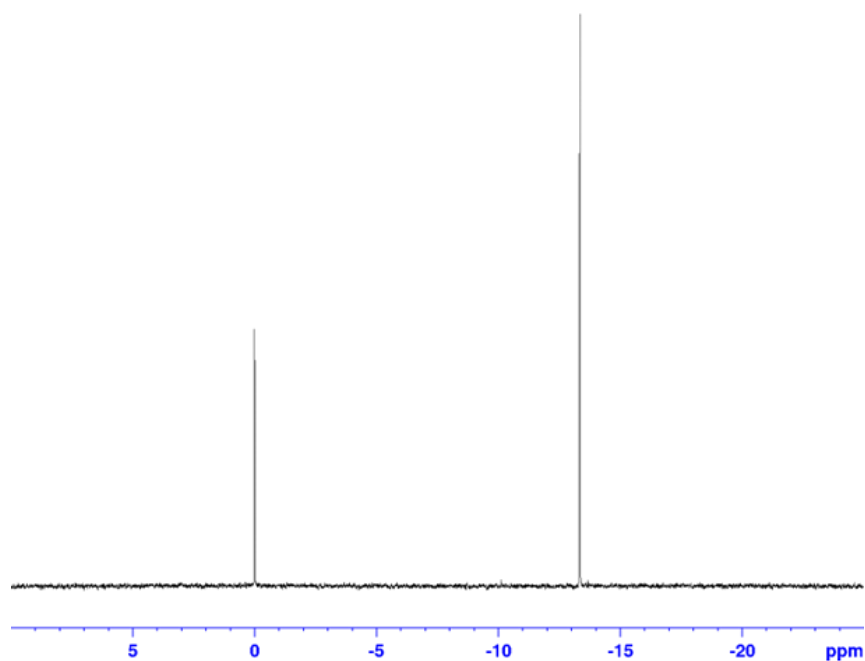


Figure S7: ^7Li NMR spectrum (272 MHz, CD_2Cl_2) of **5b**. LiCl in D_2O was used as an external standard (0 ppm).

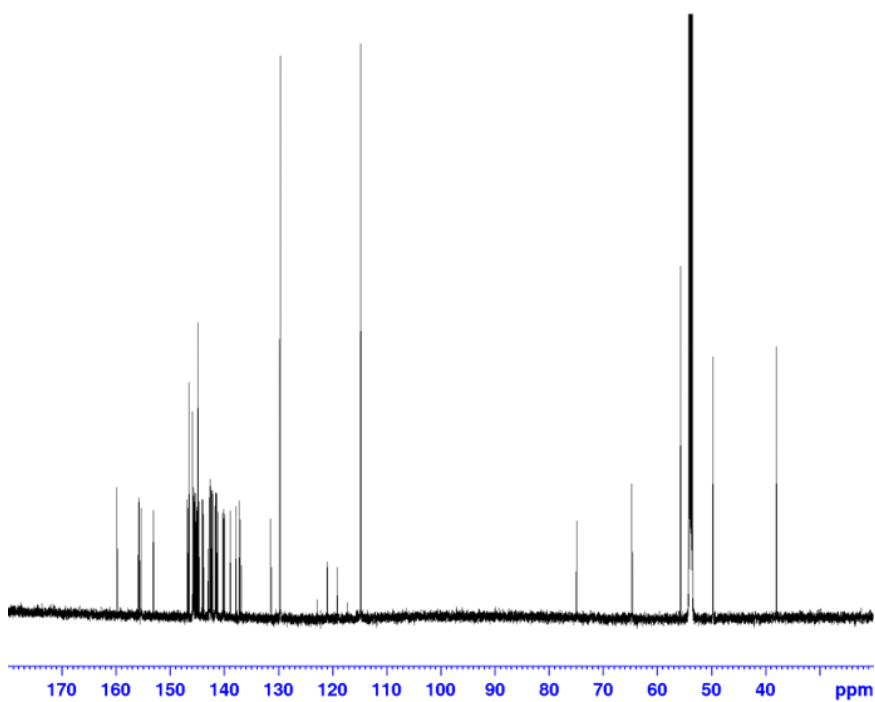


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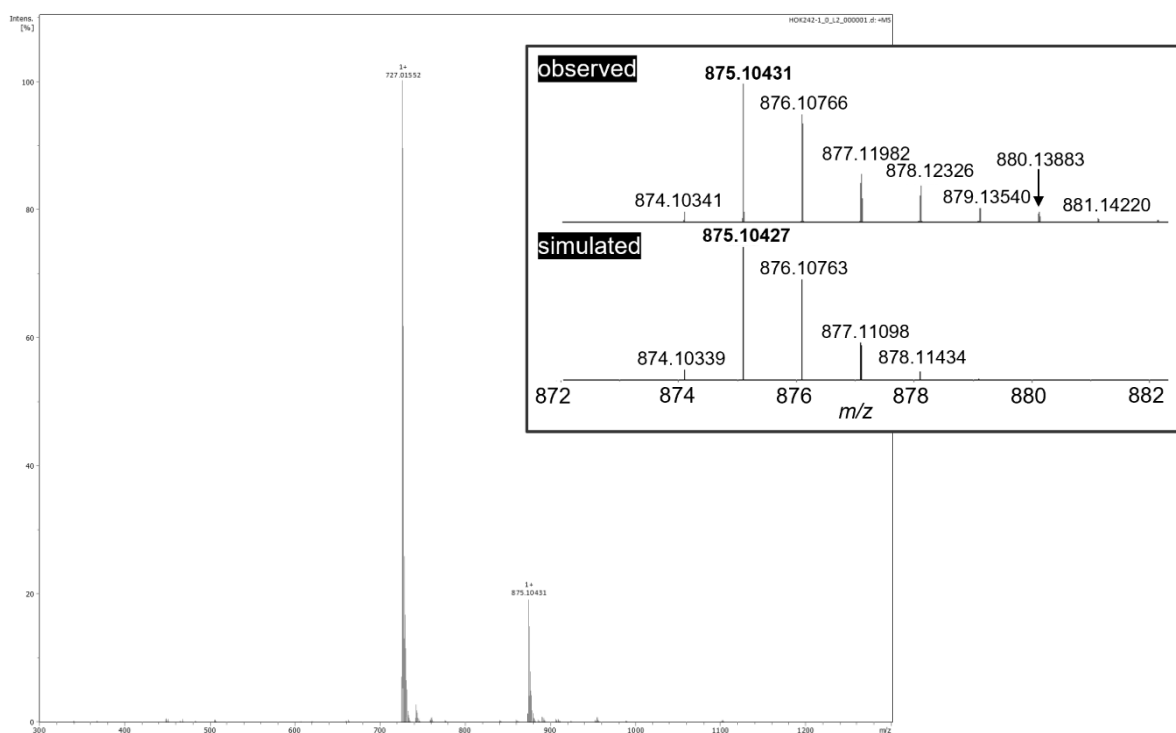


Figure S9: HRMS-MALDI (positive, dithranol) spectrum of **5a**.

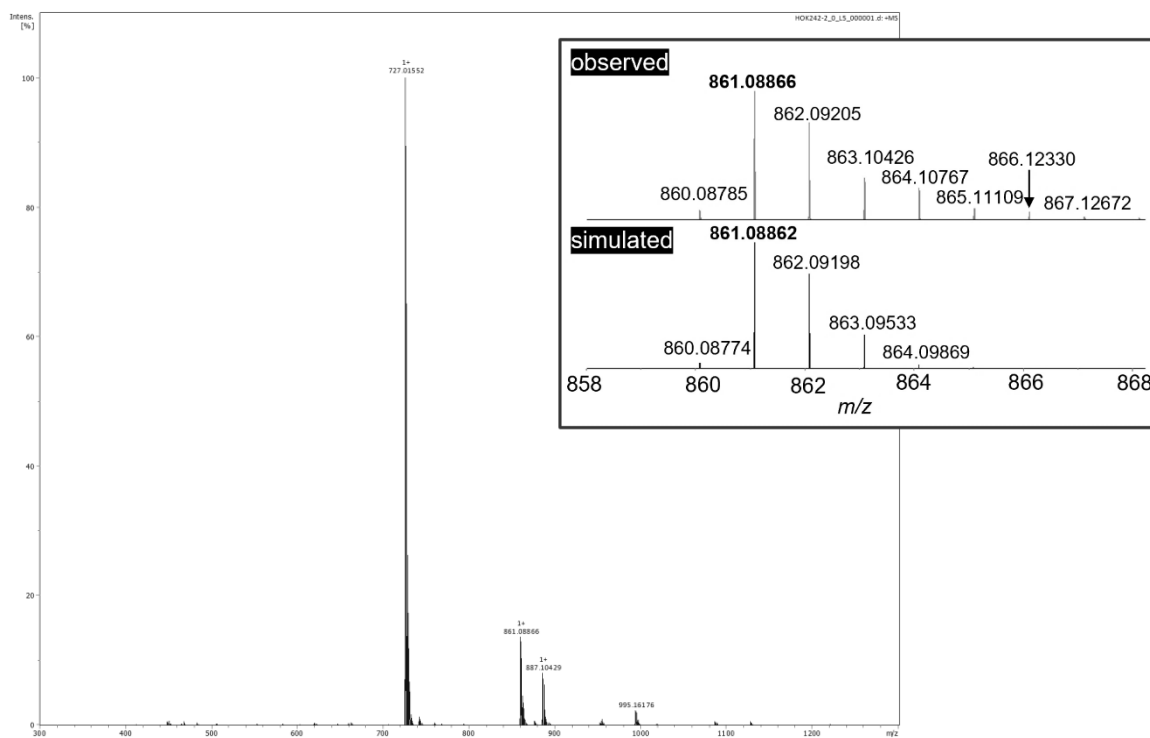


Figure S10: HRMS-MALDI (positive, dithranol) spectrum of **5b**.

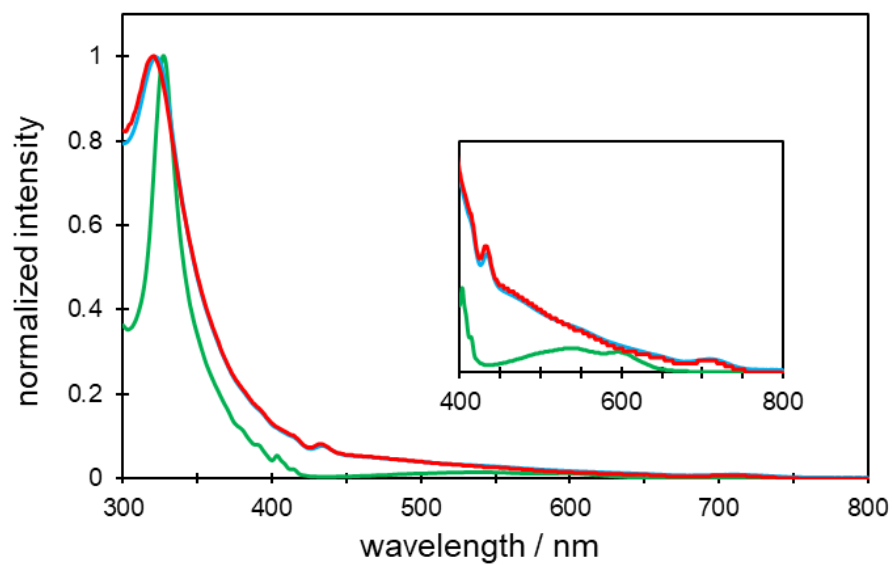


Figure S11: UV-vis absorption spectra of **5a** (blue), **5b** (red), and Li⁺@C₆₀ TFSI⁻ (green) measured in dichloromethane.


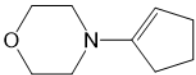
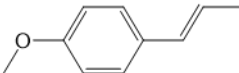
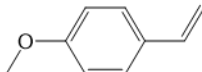
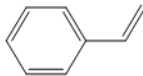
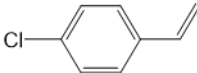
Computational details

Full geometry optimizations followed by frequency calculations have been carried out by using Gaussian 16 program at the B3LYP/6-31g(d) level. All frequency calculations showed no imaginary frequency. Full citation is as follows:

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Summary of calculated energies

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		Hartree	eV
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C_{60}	-2286.1742	-0.11853	-3.23

	E / Hartree	HOMO level	
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Calculated geometrical coordinates

Li⁺@C₆₀ TFSI⁻

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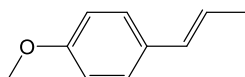
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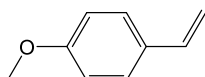
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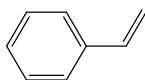
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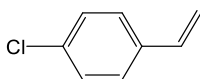
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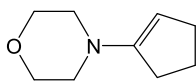
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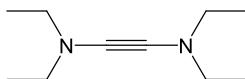
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C	-0.42326800	1.42998200	-0.11067900	H	-0.30610300	3.19846300	1.11133400
C	1.87294600	0.64924100	1.33989800	H	2.96512000	0.63457900	1.39643400
C	-0.04031900	2.13874600	1.18718400	C	1.93910200	2.84962100	2.41028000
N	1.39947300	2.03577900	1.40927500	C	3.42131700	2.78378500	2.74196600
H	-1.51106000	1.40775600	-0.22650600	C	1.31494700	3.78135900	3.15873100
H	1.68991200	-1.04976200	0.00761300	C	3.66134600	4.09453900	3.52701600
H	-0.60880000	1.70736100	2.03090800	C	2.27150500	4.50329800	4.07799700

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				H	2.13641300	5.59330200 4.07603600
H	0.24947200	3.98296000	3.15572400	H	4.01671700	4.86648700 2.83499300
H	4.05001300	2.71040000	1.84560200	H	4.41861800	3.98506200 4.31012200
H	3.64491000	1.90035900	3.35869700	H	2.14066100	4.18213200 5.12419700



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C	2.15309300	3.67194700	3.78750800	C	3.69192800	4.98488900 6.20665800
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C	1.16931700	2.71948300	5.78069100	H	1.75415400	2.58681200 0.49365300
C	3.57992100	3.53044000	5.73555300	H	1.66863800	3.94683400 -0.62614200
C	2.14810500	3.59042000	0.29370200	C	3.66700900	3.50893700 0.10528800
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