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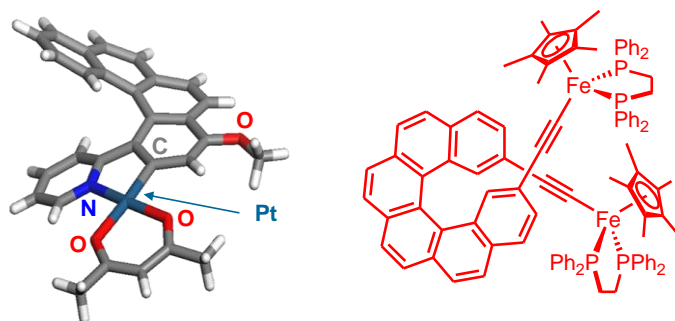
The fruitful combination of helicenes and metallic ions

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Helicenes display a helical shape combined with an extended π -conjugation which provide them with peculiar properties such as huge chiroptical properties (circular dichroism and optical rotation) and good emission properties (circularly polarized luminescence). Therefore, helicenes appear interesting for applications in molecular materials (circularly polarized emitters, chiroptical switches). The molecular engineering using coordination and organometallic chemistry of helicenic ligands offers a simple way to generate structural diversity and to tune the properties of helicenes. We will present a set of representative examples.



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