

# Electronic Structures of Halogenated Ruthenium Porphyrins. Crystal Structure of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O (TFPPCl<sub>8</sub> = Octa-β-chlorotetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)porphyrin)

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Ruthenium(II) octa-β-halotetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)porphyrins (RuTFPPX<sub>8</sub>(CO), RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub>; X = Cl, Br) have been synthesized, and the crystal structure of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O has been determined: C<sub>57</sub>H<sub>28</sub>Cl<sub>8</sub>F<sub>20</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>-Ru, monoclinic, space group *P*2<sub>1</sub>/*c*, *a* = 14.364(3) Å, *b* = 16.012(4) Å, *c* = 26.679(8) Å, β = 90.29(2)°, *V* = 6136(3) Å<sup>3</sup>, *Z* = 4, *R*<sub>w</sub> = 0.028 on *F*<sup>2</sup> for 8005 reflections, *R*<sub>F</sub> = 0.067 for 5378 reflections with *F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup> > 3σ(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>); the porphyrin is highly distorted, with 0.68 and 1.11 Å average displacements of the β-chlorine atoms from the mean porphyrin plane. The reduction potentials of RuTFPPX<sub>8</sub> complexes are much more positive (> 0.5 V) than those of unhalogenated analogues, owing to the influence of the electron-withdrawing X atoms. The relatively high energies of the Soret bands in the RuTFPPX<sub>8</sub> electronic spectra are consistent with an electronic structural model involving Ru<sup>II</sup> back-bonding to the porphyrin eπ\* orbitals.

## Introduction

We are investigating the structures and properties of metal complexes containing octa-β-halotetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)porphyrins (TFPPX<sub>8</sub>; X = Cl, Br) and related halogenated ligands.<sup>1–17</sup> Iron derivatives of the saddle-shaped TFPPX<sub>8</sub> ligand are of special interest, owing to their ability to catalyze the oxygenation of alkanes at relatively low temperatures and pressures.<sup>1–3,17</sup> The Fe<sup>III/II</sup> reduction potentials are unusually high in FeTFPPX<sub>8</sub><sup>+</sup> complexes, and both Fe<sup>III</sup> and Fe<sup>II</sup> are believed to play an active role in the catalytic reactions.<sup>17,18</sup>

We have extended our work on halogenated porphyrins to include several Ru<sup>II</sup> derivatives. Here we report the crystal

structure of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O and the electrochemical properties and electronic spectra of RuTFPPX<sub>n</sub>(CO) and RuTFPPCl<sub>n</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub> (*n* = 6–8) complexes.

## Results and Discussion

Insertion of Ru from Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> into H<sub>2</sub>TFPPX<sub>8</sub> in perfluorobenzene yields a bright red (X = Cl) or green (X = Br) RuTFPPX<sub>8</sub>(CO) compound. In perprotiobenzene, the extended time at reflux necessary to insert the ruthenium atom results in partial porphyrin dehalogenation and decomposition. In these reactions, ruthenium also inserts into the partially chlorinated derivatives H<sub>2</sub>TFPPCl<sub>7</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>TFPPCl<sub>6</sub> to form RuTFPPCl<sub>7</sub>(CO) and RuTFPPCl<sub>6</sub>(CO), which can be isolated by sequential column and high performance liquid chromatography.

A single band attributable to CO stretching (1990 cm<sup>-1</sup>, Cl<sub>8</sub>; 1973 cm<sup>-1</sup>, Br<sub>8</sub>) is observed in the IR spectrum of RuTFPPX<sub>8</sub>(CO).<sup>19</sup> Identification of the other axial ligand is problematic; this ligand is labile in Ru(CO) porphyrins due to the strong trans effect of the CO.<sup>20</sup> Overlapping sets of C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub> resonances in the <sup>19</sup>F-NMR spectrum are evidence that the position trans to the carbonyl can be occupied by one of several different ligands. Each pattern has five unique fluorine resonances for the pentafluorophenyl rings, suggesting unsymmetric coordination around the metal center.<sup>14</sup> Photolysis of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO) in pyridine results in the formation of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub>. After photolysis, a single symmetrically coordinated species is observed by <sup>19</sup>F-NMR spectroscopy, indicating that the multiple signals in the spectrum of the carbonyl complex are due to variations in trans ligation and not dehalogenation of the porphyrin ring.

Recrystallization of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO) in air from ethyl acetate and hexane gave RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O (Figure 1). An ethyl acetate is hydrogen bonded to the water ligand (O••O = 2.668 Å), and the stability provided by this hydrogen bond network may explain why no crystals were obtained with other solvents.

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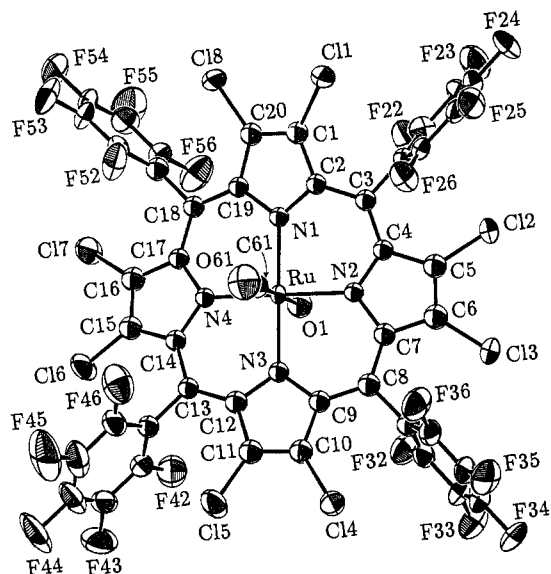
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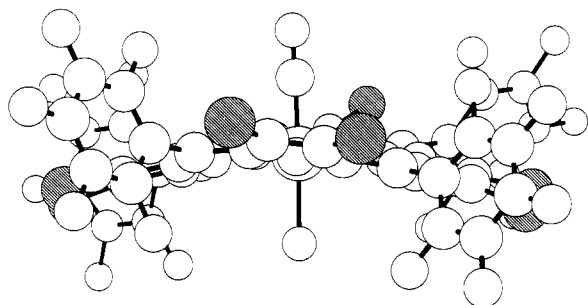
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**Figure 1.** ORTEP diagram of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O with 50% probability ellipsoids showing the numbering system used. Atoms C21, C31, C41, and C51 (not numbered) are bonded to C3, C8, C13, and C18, respectively; carbon atoms in the pentafluorophenyl groups have the same numbers as the attached fluorine atoms.



**Figure 2.** Edge-on view of a Chem 3D drawing of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O using crystal structure coordinates. The ruffle in the porphyrin ring is apparent in the different displacements of the chlorine atoms (striped) from the mean plane.

Trans coordination of CO and H<sub>2</sub>O to Ru is unusual but is predated in RuOEP(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O and the non-porphyrin compound *trans*-RuCl<sub>2</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O.<sup>21,22</sup> The RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub> unit exhibits both the saddle and ruffle distortions common to perhalogenated and other highly substituted porphyrins.<sup>7,11–13,23–25</sup> The saddle distortion is not as severe as in other octachloroporphyrins; the pyrrole carbons are only 0.48 Å from the mean plane compared to 0.625 Å (or 0.74 Å) for H<sub>2</sub>TFPPCl<sub>8</sub> (or ZnTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>).<sup>14</sup> The ruffle distortion, however, is even more pronounced, with C<sub>meso</sub> displaced almost twice as far in RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O as in ZnTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>. A side-on view of the porphyrin (Figure 2) reveals a distinct twist in the molecule; within each pyrrole, the two chlorine atoms vary in perpendicular displacements from the mean plane by 0.43 Å. Bond lengths and angles are very similar for all three TFPPCl<sub>8</sub> species.

The Ru–C bond is slightly longer in RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O (Table 2) than in RuOEP(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O (1.785 Å)<sup>21</sup> or RuTPP(CO)-

**Table 1.** X-ray Parameters

formula	C <sub>57</sub> H <sub>28</sub> Cl <sub>8</sub> F <sub>20</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>5</sub> Ru
molecular weight	1613.53
color	dark red
shape	rectangular tablet
crystal system	monoclinic
space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>
<i>a</i> , Å	14.364(3)
<i>b</i> , Å	16.012(4)
<i>c</i> , Å	26.679(8)
$\beta$ , deg	90.29(2)
<i>V</i> , Å <sup>3</sup>	6136(3)
<i>Z</i>	4
<i>D</i> <sub>x</sub> , g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.75
radiation	MoK $\alpha$
wavelength, Å	0.71073
$\mu$ , cm <sup>-1</sup>	7.11
temperature, K	295
crystal size, mm	0.16 × 0.29 × 0.44
diffractometer	Enraf-Nonius CAD-4
collection method	$\omega$ scans
$\theta$ range, deg	1–22.5
<i>h</i> <sub>min</sub> / <i>h</i> <sub>max</sub>	–15/+15
<i>k</i> <sub>min</sub> / <i>k</i> <sub>max</sub>	–17/+17
<i>l</i> <sub>min</sub> / <i>l</i> <sub>max</sub>	0/28
reflections measured	16 813
independent reflections	8006
reflections used	8005
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.043
<i>R</i> ( <i>F</i> )	0.089
<i>R</i> <sub>w</sub> ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> )	0.028
( $\Delta\sigma$ ) <sub>max</sub>	0.00 (for porphyrin)
goodness of fit	2.72

**Table 2.** Selected Average Bond Lengths (Å) for RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O

N–C <sub>α</sub>	1.378	Ru–C	1.828
C <sub>α</sub> –C <sub>β</sub>	1.448	Ru–O	2.172
C <sub>β</sub> –C <sub>β</sub>	1.339	C–O	1.134
C <sub>α</sub> –C <sub>m</sub>	1.399	Ru–N	2.059

**Table 3.** Selected Average Angles (deg) for RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O

N–Ru–N	175.5	C <sub>α</sub> –C <sub>β</sub> –C <sub>β</sub>	108.0
C–Ru–O	177.6	C <sub>α</sub> –C <sub>m</sub> –C <sub>α</sub>	126.0
N–C <sub>α</sub> –C <sub>m</sub>	125.1	C <sub>m</sub> –C <sub>α</sub> –C <sub>β</sub> , dihedral (C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub> groups)	127.0
N–C <sub>α</sub> –C <sub>β</sub>	107.8		

**Table 4.** Average Deviations (Å) of Atoms from the Least-Squares Plane

N	0.06	Cl <sub>odd</sub>	1.11
C <sub>m</sub>	0.20	Cl <sub>even</sub>	0.68
C <sub>β</sub>	0.48	Ru	0.11 (towards CO)

**Table 5.** Electrochemistry of Halogenated Ruthenium Porphyrins.<sup>a</sup>

porphyrin	<i>E</i> <sup>o</sup> <sub>+0</sub>	<i>E</i> <sup>o</sup> <sub>0/–</sub>
RuTFPPCl <sub>8</sub> (CO)	1.71	–0.64
RuTFPPCl <sub>7</sub> (CO)	1.69	–0.69
RuTFPPCl <sub>6</sub> (CO)	1.64	–0.76
H <sub>2</sub> TFPPCl <sub>8</sub>	1.66 <sup>b</sup>	–0.32
RuTFPPBr <sub>8</sub> (CO)	1.63	–0.84
H <sub>2</sub> TFPPBr <sub>8</sub>	1.56 <sup>b</sup>	–0.31
RuTFPPCl <sub>8</sub> (py) <sub>2</sub>	1.08	–0.94
RuTFPPCl <sub>7</sub> (py) <sub>2</sub>	1.04	–0.98
RuTFPPCl <sub>6</sub> (py) <sub>2</sub>	0.89	–1.12

<sup>a</sup> Potentials in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution at room temperature (V vs AgCl/Ag, 0.1 M (TBA)PF<sub>6</sub>). <sup>b</sup> *E*<sub>pa</sub>.

EtOH (1.77 Å),<sup>26</sup> consistent with the relatively high value of  $\nu_{CO}$ .<sup>19</sup> The Ru–C–O bond is nearly linear in the three porphyrins, at 178.9, 178.5, and 175.8°, respectively. The Ru–O bond length (2.172 Å) is shorter for the perhalogenated

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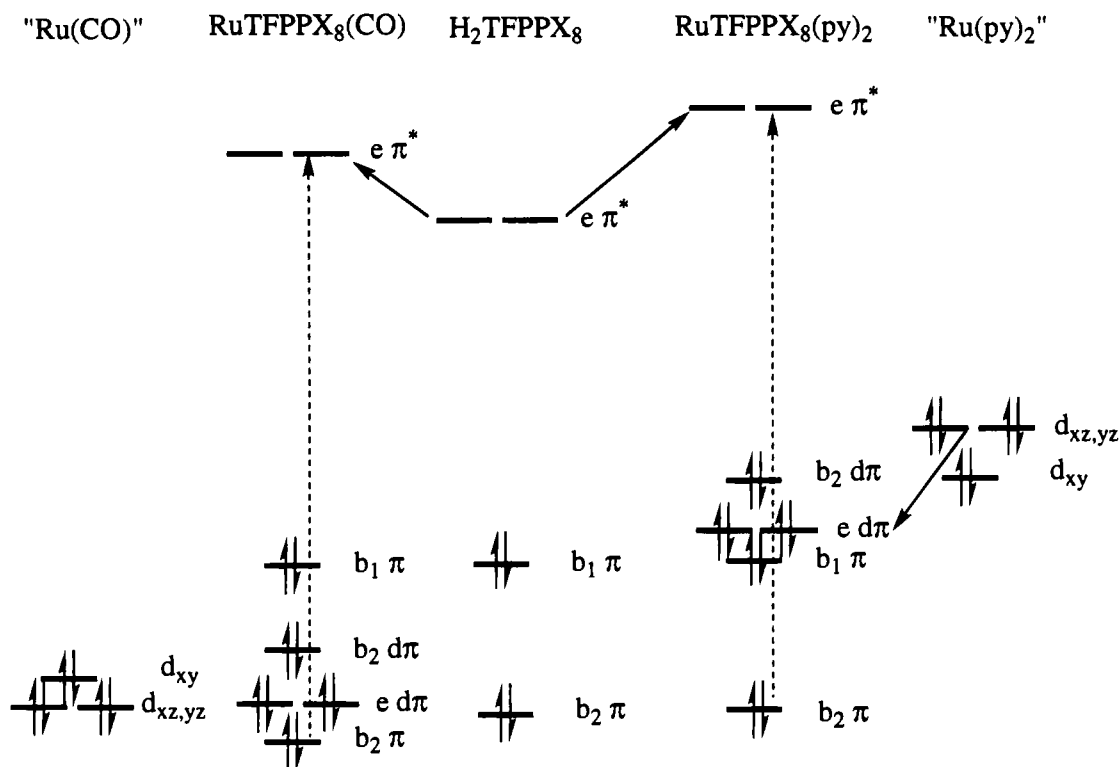
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**Figure 3.** Molecular orbital diagram of the Gouterman orbitals for  $H_2TFPPX_8$  modified by inclusion of interactions with the  $d\pi$  orbitals of carbonyl and bis(pyridine)ruthenium fragments ( $D_{2d}$  labels). Extensive  $\pi$ -back-bonding to the carbonyl ligand strongly stabilizes the  $d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{yz}$  orbitals (and, to a lesser extent, the  $d_{xy}$  orbital, owing to the reduction in electron density at the Ru center), resulting in a ligand-based HOMO for  $RuTFPPX_8(CO)$ . Weaker  $\pi$ -back-bonding in the  $Ru(py)_2$  fragment leaves the  $d\pi$  orbitals at higher energies, consistent with stronger  $d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{yz} \rightarrow \pi^*$  ( $TFPPX_8$ ) interactions and a Ru-based HOMO in  $RuTFPPX_8(py)_2$ . The Soret transition is shown with a dotted line.

porphyrin than in  $RuOEP(CO)H_2O$  (2.253 Å) and closer to the distance found for *trans*- $RuCl_2(PEt_3)_2(CO)H_2O$  (2.189 Å).<sup>21,22</sup> Interestingly, although the Ru–N bond lengths in  $RuTFPPCl_8(CO)H_2O$  and  $RuTPP(CO)EtOH$  are the same (~2.05 Å), the TPP derivative is planar, whereas the metal in the halogenated derivative is 0.11 Å out of the mean plane toward the carbonyl ligand. The distorted structure apparently decreases the core size and may explain why ruthenium insertion is so difficult for this porphyrin.

The reduction potentials set out in Table 5 are in agreement with other electrochemical data<sup>10,15,23,24,27,28</sup> showing that electron-withdrawing groups at the  $\beta$  positions stabilize both the highest occupied and lowest unoccupied molecular orbitals (HOMOs and LUMOs) of tetraphenylporphyrins. The  $RuTFPPX_8(CO)$  complexes, for example, are harder to oxidize and easier to reduce than  $RuTPP(CO)$ .<sup>29</sup> Notably, the  $RuTFPPX_8(CO)^{+/0}$  potentials are within 0.07 V of those of the unmetallated  $H_2TFPPX_8$  molecules. Oxidation of  $RuTFPPCl_8(py)_2$  occurs 0.63 V lower than  $RuTFPPCl_8(CO)$ , suggesting that the HOMO is a  $d\pi$  level in the pyridine derivative (as established for  $RuTPP(py)_2$ ).<sup>30</sup>

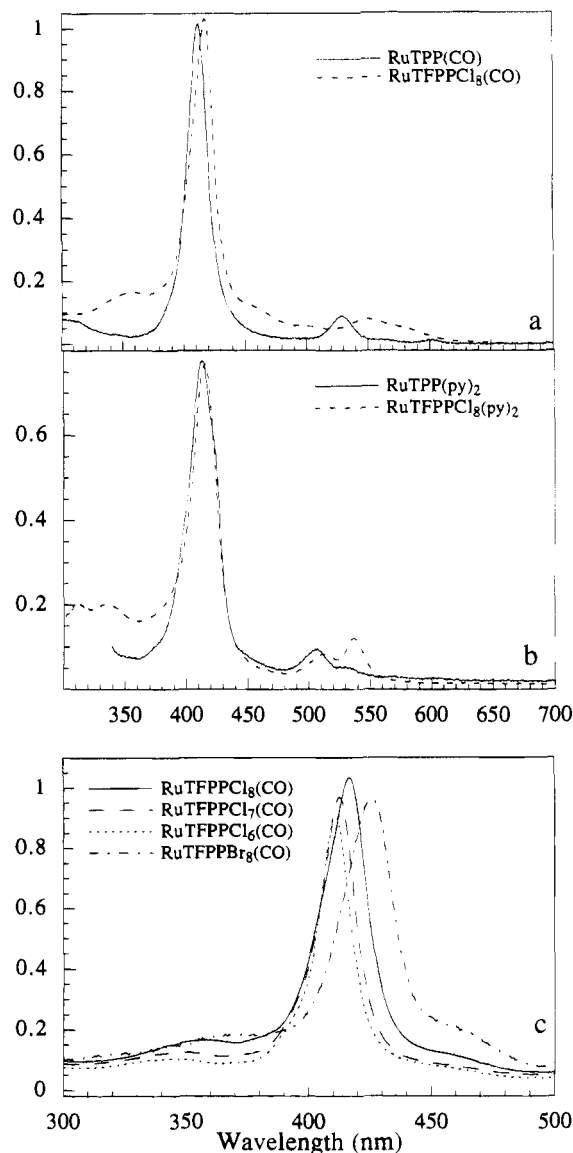
Both calculations<sup>16,31</sup> and electrochemical measurements<sup>15,23–25,32,33</sup> indicate that the  $S_4$  (saddle) distortions destabilize the HOMOs more than the LUMOs of  $\beta$ -substituted porphyrins. This sterically induced contraction of the HOMO–LUMO gap is surprisingly small for  $RuTFPPCl_8(CO)$  (0.11 V

relative to  $RuTPP(CO)$ )<sup>29</sup> from the values of the  $+/0$  and  $0/-$  potentials). Enhanced back-bonding from  $Ru^{II}$  to  $TFPPCl_8$  is the likely explanation of this finding, as discussed below.

The electronic properties of perhalogenated  $Ru^{II}$  porphyrins can be interpreted in terms of a Gouterman four-orbital model<sup>16,34</sup> modified by the inclusion of the Ru  $d\pi$  orbitals (Figure 3).<sup>35</sup> Increased back-bonding in the  $TFPPX_8$  complexes promotes mixing of  $\pi \rightarrow e\pi^*$  and  $Ru^{II} \rightarrow e\pi^*$  excited states, with the result that the Soret (mainly  $\pi \rightarrow e\pi^*$ ) transition falls at higher energies than would be predicted by a simple one-electron (HOMO–LUMO) model.<sup>20,36,37</sup> The Soret band of  $RuTFPPCl_8(CO)$  (418 nm) is substantially blue-shifted from that of  $H_2TFPPCl_8$  (440 nm). Nevertheless, the magnitude of the shift, ~1300  $cm^{-1}$ , is surprisingly high; it indicates that the electronic coupling of  $Ru^{II}$  to the porphyrin is unusually strong.<sup>38</sup>

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**Figure 4.** Electronic absorption spectra in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution at room temperature: (a) RuTPP(CO) and RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO); (b) RuTPP(py)<sub>2</sub> (in pyridine) and RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub>; and (c) RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO), RuTFPPCl<sub>7</sub>(CO), and RuTFPPCl<sub>6</sub>(CO). The vertical axis is absorbance.

The offsetting effect of extensive back-bonding in the distorted porphyrins is the reason that the Soret bands for both RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO) and RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub> (416 nm) are only slightly red-shifted from those of RuTPP(CO) (412 nm) and RuTPP(py)<sub>2</sub> (413 nm) (Figure 4).

The distortion-induced contraction of the HOMO–LUMO gap<sup>16,23,24,31–33</sup> is evidenced by a decrease of the Soret transition energy according to RuTFPPCl<sub>6</sub>(CO) (410) > RuTFPPCl<sub>7</sub>(CO) (413.5) > RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO) (418 nm) (Figure 4c). The Soret band of RuTFPPBr<sub>8</sub>(CO) is further red-shifted to 424 nm; as predicted,<sup>16</sup> the larger halogen atoms generate a greater distortion of the porphyrin, thereby producing a smaller HOMO–LUMO gap. Porphyrin saddling also is responsible for the red shifts of the Q(0,1) bands of RuTFPPX<sub>8</sub> complexes from those of the corresponding TPP derivatives (Figure 4a,b).

Relatively weak bands at 670 ( $\epsilon \approx 800$ ) and 792 nm ( $\epsilon \approx 300 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) are observed in the spectrum of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub> (not shown in Figure 4). Low-lying Ru<sup>II</sup>  $\rightarrow \pi^*$  (TFPPCl<sub>8</sub>) transitions are expected, since the electrochemical data show that both Ru<sup>II</sup> oxidation and TFPPCl<sub>8</sub> reduction are accessible. Extensive back-bonding to  $e\pi^*$  (TFPPCl<sub>8</sub>) orbitals would

stabilize  $d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{yz}$  relative to  $d_{xy}$  (Figure 3); it is likely, then, that a  $d_{xy}$  electron is involved in both electrochemical and the 792-nm spectroscopic oxidation of Ru<sup>II</sup> to Ru<sup>III</sup>. No bands above 650 nm were observed in the spectrum of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO), consistent with the absence of any Ru<sup>II</sup> oxidations in the electrochemical experiments.

## Experimental Section

**Materials.** Zinc(II) tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)porphyrin (ZnTFPP) was used as received from Porphyrin Products. Omnisol grade methanol, acetone, dichloromethane, benzene, pyridine, and hexane were from EM Science. *N*-Chlorosuccinimide, RuTPP(CO), and Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> were from Aldrich. RuTPP(py)<sub>2</sub> was prepared by a literature method.<sup>39</sup>

**RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO).** The preparation of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO) was based on the methods of Tsutsui<sup>40</sup> and Chow.<sup>41</sup> H<sub>2</sub>TFPPCl<sub>8</sub><sup>14</sup> (300 mg) reacted with Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> (48 h, refluxing benzene) to form RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO). RuTFPPCl<sub>7</sub>(CO) and RuTFPPCl<sub>6</sub>(CO) also were isolated from the reaction mixture. RuTFPPCl<sub>*n*</sub>(CO) (*n* = 6–8) complexes were purified by HPLC, and the identity of each fraction was confirmed by mass spectroscopy. The parent peak in each mass spectrum appears at the mass for RuTFPPCl<sub>*n*</sub> (*n* = 6–8), with a smaller peak appearing at the mass for the monocarbonyl complex. Parent peaks appeared at  $m/z$  = 1351.2 (RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>), 1315.8 (RuTFPPCl<sub>7</sub>), and 1280.1 (RuTFPPCl<sub>6</sub>). RuTFPPBr<sub>8</sub>(CO) (mass spectrum;  $m/z$  = 1703) was synthesized from Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>TFPPBr<sub>8</sub> (50 h, refluxing benzene). UV–vis for RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO) ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ),  $\lambda$  ( $\epsilon/10^4$ ): 348, 417 (50), 540 (1.3) nm.

**RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub>.** Photolysis of the carbonyl was accomplished by modification of Chow's methods.<sup>41</sup> Pyridine solutions of RuTFPPCl<sub>*n*</sub>(CO) exposed to a 1000-W mercury lamp for several hours lose a carbonyl ligand to form RuTFPPCl<sub>*n*</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub>. Loss of the carbonyl was confirmed by the disappearance of the CO stretch (IR,  $\text{CCl}_4$  solution) and by <sup>19</sup>F-NMR spectroscopy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$  solution):  $\delta$ (RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub>) = –138.7 (2F, q, ortho), –152.3 (1F, t, para), –163.2 (2F, m, meta). UV–vis ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ )  $\lambda$ : 415, 510, 536 nm. <sup>19</sup>F-NMR: –138.7 (2F, q, ortho), –152.3 (1F, t, para), –163.2 ppm (2F, m, meta).

**Methods.** Infrared spectra were recorded as solutions in carbon tetrachloride or benzene on a Perkin-Elmer Model 1600 FT-IR spectrophotometer. Electronic absorption spectra were recorded on an Olis-modified Cary-14 spectrophotometer. Separation of the ruthenium porphyrins was accomplished with a Beckman Model 126 dual pump and 166 single channel detector on a Vydac C-18 reverse phase column. <sup>19</sup>F-NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-500 (tuned down to 470.56 MHz for fluorine detection) instrument in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  and referenced externally to  $\text{CFCl}_3$ . Mass spectra were obtained with a cesium ion fast atom bombardment spectrometer. Electrochemistry was performed under Ar in a three-compartment cell consisting of a highly polished glassy carbon working electrode, a Ag/AgCl reference electrode in 1M KCl, and a platinum auxiliary electrode. The working electrode and reference electrode were connected by a modified Luggin capillary. A 1000 W tungsten lamp was used for photolysis experiments.

**Crystal Structure Analysis.** Deep red crystals of RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)(H<sub>2</sub>O) were grown by slow evaporation from an ethyl

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acetate/hexane solution. A suitable crystal was mounted in a capillary with silicone grease and centered on a CAD-4 diffractometer using Mo K $\alpha$  radiation. Atomic scattering factors and values for  $\Delta f'$  were taken from Cromer and Waber<sup>42</sup> and Cromer;<sup>43</sup> CRYM,<sup>44</sup> MULTAN,<sup>45</sup> and ORTEP<sup>46</sup> computer programs were used. The weights were taken as  $1/\sigma^2(F_o^2)$ ; variances ( $\sigma^2(F_o^2)$ ) were derived from counting statistics plus an additional term,  $0.014I^2$ ; variances of the merged data were obtained by propagation of error plus another additional term,  $(0.014\bar{I})^2$ .

Ruthenium atom coordinates were obtained from a Patterson map, and the remaining atoms were located with structure factor Fourier calculations. Hydrogen atoms on the solvent molecules were positioned by calculation in idealized locations with staggered geometry and a C–H bond length of 0.95 Å. Of the solvent molecules, only one ethyl acetate site is fully populated (C71, C72, O2, O3, C73, and C74). The second (C81, C82, O4, O5, C83, and C84) is half-populated, near a center of

symmetry. The region occupied by hexane is not easily interpreted. There are five peaks in a difference map in an area of broadly diffuse electron density. These five were coplanar within 0.15 Å, so we fitted idealized hexane molecules to the difference density in this plane. Our model has three orientations of the hexane; there may be twice that many. We kept the positional and thermal parameters of these idealized molecules fixed but refined their population parameters independently. The sum of the three was 0.84; we believe this represents some loss of hexane from the crystal during data collection. We kept the populations fixed in the final refinement. The final difference map has peaks of 0.88, 0.82, and 0.79 Å<sup>-3</sup> and valleys of -1.24 and -0.84 Å<sup>-3</sup> in this region.

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**Supplementary Material Available:** Final refined parameters for RuTFPPCl<sub>8</sub>(CO)H<sub>2</sub>O (Table S1) and the solvent molecule parameters (Table S2), anisotropic displacement parameters (Table S3), complete distances and angles (Table S4), and intermolecular distances less than 3.5 Å (Table S5) (19 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

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