

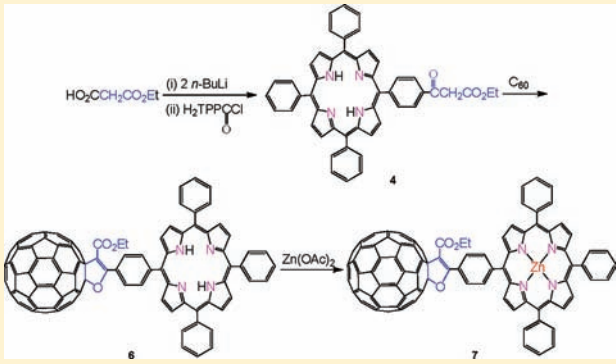
# Synthesis and Structural Characterization of Some New Porphyrin-Fullerene Dyads and Their Application in Photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> Evolution

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Supporting Information

**ABSTRACT:** The [3 + 2] cycloaddition reaction of C<sub>60</sub> with ethyl isonicotinoylacetate in the presence of piperidine in PhCl at room temperature or in the presence of Mn(OAc)<sub>3</sub> in refluxing PhCl gave the pyridyl-containing dihydrofuran-fused C<sub>60</sub> derivative (4-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N)C(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (**1**), whereas the phenyl-containing C<sub>60</sub> derivative PhC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (**2**) was similarly prepared by [3 + 2] cycloaddition reaction of C<sub>60</sub> with ethyl benzoylacetate in the presence of piperidine or Mn(OAc)<sub>3</sub>. More interestingly, one of the new porphyrin-fullerene dyads, i.e., [4-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et]·ZnTPPH (**3**, ZnTPPH = tetraphenylporphyrin zinc), could be prepared by coordination reaction of the pyridyl-containing C<sub>60</sub> derivative **1** with equimolar ZnTPPH in CS<sub>2</sub>/hexane at room temperature. In addition, the β-keto ester-substituted porphyrin derivative H<sub>2</sub>TPPC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et (**4**) was prepared by a sequential reaction of HO<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et with *n*-BuLi in 1:2 molar ratio followed by treatment with H<sub>2</sub>TPPC(O)Cl in the presence of Et<sub>3</sub>N and then hydrolysis with diluted HCl, whereas the porphyrinozinc derivative ZnTPPC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et (**5**) could be prepared by coordination reaction of **4** with Zn(OAc)<sub>2</sub> in refluxing CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH. Particularly interesting is that the second new porphyrin-fullerene dyad H<sub>2</sub>TPPC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (**6**) could be prepared by [3 + 2] cycloaddition reaction of **4** with C<sub>60</sub> in the presence of piperidine in PhCl at room temperature. In addition, treatment of **6** with Zn(OAc)<sub>2</sub> in refluxing CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH afforded the third new dyad ZnTPPC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (**7**). All the new compounds **1**–**7** were characterized by elemental analysis and various spectroscopic methods and particularly for **2**, **3**, and **5** by X-ray crystallography. The five-component system consisting of an electron donor EDTA, dyad **3**, an electron mediator methylviologen (MV<sup>2+</sup>), the catalyst colloidal Pt, and a proton source HOAc was proved to be effective for photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution. A possible pathway for such a type of H<sub>2</sub> evolution was proposed.



## INTRODUCTION

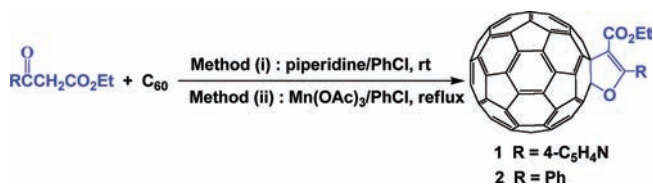
Photoinduced catalytic H<sub>2</sub> evolution has attracted great attention in recent years, largely because of molecular H<sub>2</sub> being considered as a promising energy source to solve the current energy shortage and environmental problems.<sup>1–6</sup> Generally, the photoinduced catalytic system for H<sub>2</sub> evolution consists of five separate components, namely, an electron donor, a photosensitizer, an electron mediator, a catalyst, and a proton source.<sup>7–9</sup> However, except such a five-component system, some other systems involving less components were also previously reported for H<sub>2</sub> evolution, such as the four-component system in which a dyad assembly replaces the corresponding two components such as photosensitizer and catalyst<sup>4,5</sup> or photosensitizer and electron mediator.<sup>8,10</sup> We are interested in photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution and have recently reported two examples using the three-component system without a mediator but involving two kinds of dyads: one kind of dyad consists of a porphyrin moiety as photosensitizer and a [FeFe]hydrogenase model as catalyst<sup>11</sup> and another kind of dyad includes a fullerene moiety as

photosensitizer and a [FeFe]hydrogenase model as catalyst.<sup>12</sup> Particularly interesting is that both catalytic systems have been proved to give molecular H<sub>2</sub>, although their H<sub>2</sub>-producing efficiency is low.<sup>11,12</sup> To improve the photoinduced H<sub>2</sub>-producing efficiency, we continued to study such photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> production using a new type of five-component system, which involves ethylenediamine tetraacetic disodium salt (EDTA) as an electron donor, colloidal Pt as catalyst, methylviologen (MV<sup>2+</sup>) as an electron mediator, and a new type of dyad in which either a pyridyl-containing dihydrofuran-fused C<sub>60</sub> derivative is coordinatively linked to Zn atom of the photosensitizer tetraphenylporphyrinozinc (ZnTPPH) or a dihydrofuran-fused C<sub>60</sub> moiety is covalently linked to a phenyl group of the photosensitizer tetraphenylporphyrin (H<sub>2</sub>TPPH). In principle, such five-component systems may have two advantages compared to our previously reported three-component systems:<sup>11,12</sup> (i) the

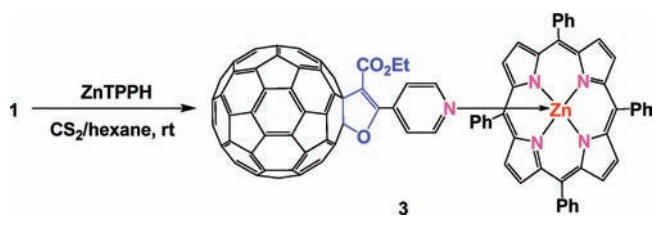
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Scheme 1



Scheme 2



catalyst colloidal Pt has been proved to have high catalytic activity for such photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution,<sup>13–15</sup> and (ii) porphyrin-fullerene dyads are well-known donor–acceptor systems for electron transfer and charge separation required for such photoinduced H<sub>2</sub>-producing processes.<sup>16–22</sup> It is worth pointing out that, although numerous porphyrin-fullerene dyads are known,<sup>23–30</sup> there is no report regarding their application in the study of photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> production. Herein, we report the synthesis and structural characterization of three new porphyrin-fullerene dyads and their first application in photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution. In addition, the synthesis and characterization of another four new functionalized porphyrin and C<sub>60</sub> derivatives closely related to the three new porphyrin-fullerene dyads are also described.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

**Synthesis and Characterization of Dihydrofuran-Fused C<sub>60</sub> Derivatives RC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (1, R = 4-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N; 2, R = Ph) and Coordinatively Bonded Porphyrin-Fullerene Dyad [4-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et]·ZnTPPH (3).** The new pyridyl group-containing dihydrofuran-fused C<sub>60</sub> derivative **1** was found to be prepared by the base-catalyzed [3 + 2] cycloaddition reaction<sup>31</sup> of ethyl isonicotinoylacetate with C<sub>60</sub> in the presence of piperidine in chlorobenzene at room temperature in 91% yield or by single-electron oxidant Mn(OAc)<sub>3</sub>-mediated [3 + 2] cycloaddition reaction<sup>32</sup> of ethyl isonicotinoylacetate with C<sub>60</sub> in refluxing chlorobenzene in 59% yield (Scheme 1). Similarly, the phenyl-containing C<sub>60</sub> derivative **2** (a known analogue of **1**)<sup>32</sup> could be prepared by the piperidine-catalyzed cycloaddition reaction of ethyl benzoylacetate with C<sub>60</sub> in chlorobenzene at room temperature in 70% yield or by the Mn(OAc)<sub>3</sub>-mediated cycloaddition reaction of ethyl benzoylacetate with C<sub>60</sub> in chlorobenzene at reflux in 33% yield (Scheme 1). More interestingly, it was further found that the new coordinatively bonded porphyrin-fullerene dyad **3**, similar to the known coordinatively bonded porphyrin-fullerene dyads,<sup>25b,26a</sup> could be prepared by solvent diffusion method and coordination reaction of the pyridyl-containing C<sub>60</sub>

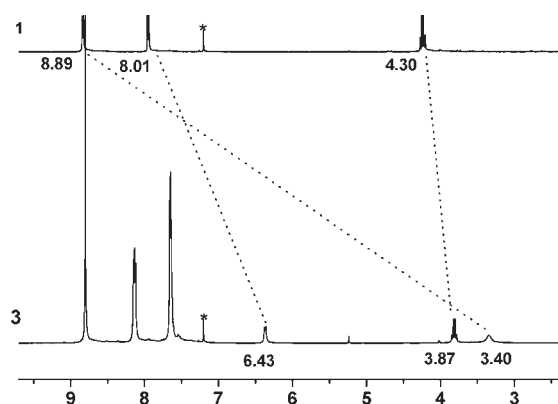


Figure 1. Partial <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **1** and **3** (\*: CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

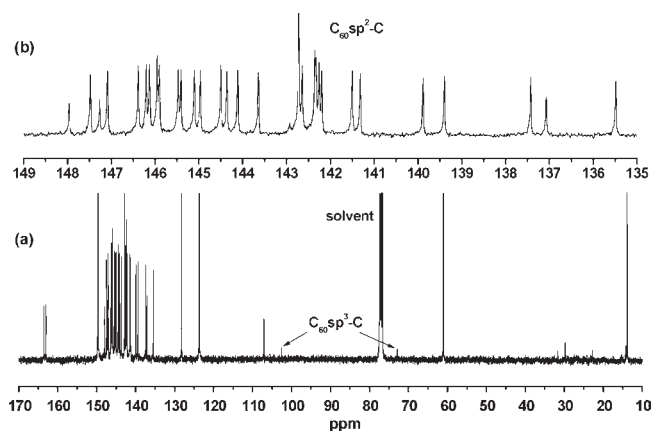


Figure 2. (a) Original <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **1**. (b) Expanded partial <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **1**.

derivative **1** with an equimolar amount of ZnTPPH in CS<sub>2</sub>/hexane at room temperature in 97% yield (Scheme 2).

Compounds **1–3** are air-stable solids, which were characterized by elemental analysis and various spectroscopic methods. For example, the IR spectra of **1–3** displayed one strong absorption band in the range 1714–1701 cm<sup>-1</sup> for their ester carbonyls and four absorption bands in the range of 1437–527 cm<sup>-1</sup> attributed to the C–C stretching frequencies for their C<sub>60</sub> spheres,<sup>33</sup> whereas dyad **3** showed three additional absorption bands at 1522, 1484, and 1338 cm<sup>-1</sup> attributed to the skeletal vibrations of pyrrole rings in its porphyrin moiety.<sup>34</sup> The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the pyridyl-containing C<sub>60</sub> derivative **1** as a free ligand displayed two doublets at δ = 8.89 and 8.01 ppm for the two α and two β-protons in its pyridyl group, a quartet at δ = 4.30 ppm for its CH<sub>2</sub> group, and a triplet at δ = 1.22 ppm for its CH<sub>3</sub> group. However, the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the pyridyl-containing C<sub>60</sub> derivative **1** as a coordinated ligand in dyad **3** exhibited a broad singlet for its two α-pyridyl protons that is shifted upfield by 5.49 ppm relative to that of free ligand **1**, a doublet for its two β-pyridyl protons shifted upfield by 1.58 ppm, a quartet for its CH<sub>2</sub> group upfield shifted by 0.43 ppm, and a triplet for its CH<sub>3</sub> group upfield shifted by 0.49 ppm (see Figure 1). Apparently, these upfield shifts should be attributed to the shielding effect caused by the macrocycle of ZnTPPH.<sup>25b,26a,35,36</sup> In addition, the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of free ligand **1** showed two signals at δ = 72.83

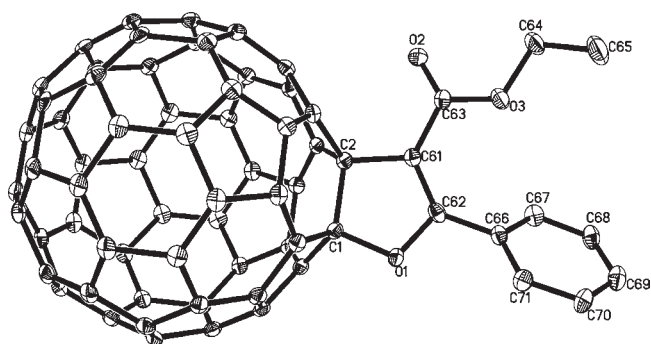


Figure 3. ORTEP view of 2 with 30% thermal ellipsoids.

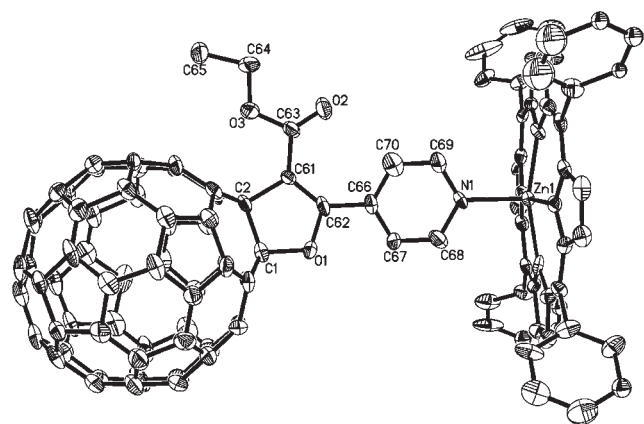


Figure 4. ORTEP view of 3 with 30% thermal ellipsoids.

and 102.59 ppm for its two  $sp^3$ -C atoms and 30 signals at  $\delta = 135.48$ – $147.96$  ppm for its 58  $sp^2$ -C atoms in  $C_{60}$  sphere,<sup>37,38</sup> whereas the coordinated ligand 1 in dyad 3 displayed two signals at  $\delta = 72.14$  and  $101.91$  ppm for the corresponding two  $sp^3$ -C atoms and 29 signals at  $\delta = 134.82$ – $147.23$  ppm for the corresponding 58  $sp^2$ -C atoms.<sup>37,38</sup> It is worth pointing out that, in the  $^{13}C$  NMR spectrum of dyad 3, the intensity of the signal at  $\delta = 142.72$  ppm is much stronger than other signals because it represents two  $sp^2$ -C atoms of  $C_{60}$  moiety and one  $\gamma$ -pyridyl C atom (see Figure 2).

The molecular structures of 2 and 3 have been unequivocally confirmed by X-ray crystal diffraction techniques. Their ORTEP plots are depicted in Figures 3 and 4, and selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 1. As shown in Figures 3 and 4, both 2 and 3 contain the same ethoxycarbonyl-substituted dihydrofuran-fused  $C_{60}$  moiety, in which the five atoms C1, C2, C61, C62, and O1 in the five-membered dihydrofuran ring are nearly coplanar with a mean deviation of 0.003 Å for 2 and 0.018 Å for 3, respectively. The C1–C2 single bond length is 1.598 Å for 2 and 1.587 Å for 3, whereas the C61–C62 double bond lengths is 1.346 Å for 2 and 1.355 Å for 3, respectively. Such single and double bond lengths are very close to those reported in other dihydrofuran-fused  $C_{60}$  derivatives.<sup>39,40</sup> In addition, as can be seen in Figures 3 and 4, while 2 contains a benzene ring attached to C62 of the dihydrofuran-fused  $C_{60}$  moiety, dyad 3 has a pyridine ring whose N1 atom is axially coordinated to Zn1 atom of the ZnTPPH moiety. The N1–Zn1 bond length is 2.137 Å which compares with those reported for other noncovalently linked porphyrin-fullerene dyads.<sup>25a,b</sup> The distance from porphyrin center to the center of  $C_{60}$  is found to be 12.225 Å,

Table 1. Bond Lengths [Å] and Angles [deg] for 2, 3, and 5

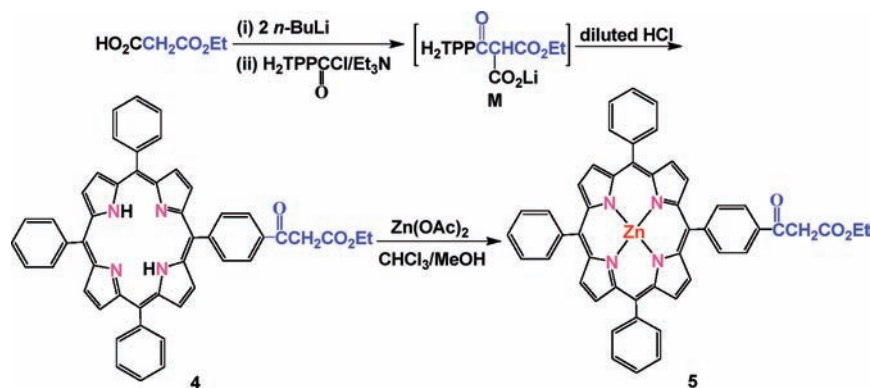
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C(1)–O(1)	1.470(4)	C(1)–C(2)	1.598(4)
C(2)–C(61)	1.527(4)	C(61)–C(62)	1.346(5)
C(62)–O(1)	1.368(4)	C(61)–C(63)	1.467(5)
C(62)–C(66)	1.466(5)	C(63)–O(2)	1.210(4)
O(1)–C(1)–C(2)	105.8(2)	C(61)–C(2)–C(1)	100.3(2)
C(62)–O(1)–C(1)	109.0(2)	C(62)–C(61)–C(2)	110.7(3)
C(61)–C(62)–O(1)	113.9(3)	C(62)–C(61)–C(63)	128.8(3)
C(63)–C(61)–C(2)	120.4(3)	C(61)–C(62)–C(66)	132.6(3)
3			
Zn(1)–N(1)	2.137(3)	O(1)–C(62)	1.382(9)
O(1)–C(1)	1.459(9)	C(1)–C(2)	1.587(10)
C(61)–C(62)	1.355(11)	C(61)–C(63)	1.464(10)
C(2)–C(61)	1.552(9)	C(62)–C(66)	1.489(8)
O(1)–C(1)–C(2)	105.2(6)	C(61)–C(2)–C(1)	101.2(7)
C(62)–C(61)–C(2)	109.6(6)	C(62)–C(61)–C(63)	126.7(7)
C(63)–C(61)–C(2)	123.8(6)	C(61)–C(62)–O(1)	113.0(6)
C(62)–O(1)–C(1)	110.7(6)	C(61)–C(62)–C(66)	137.2(7)
5			
Zn(1)–N(1)	2.076(4)	O(3)–C(47)	1.220(6)
Zn(1)–O(1)	2.117(4)	O(4)–C(47)	1.329(7)
N(1)–C(1)	1.377(5)	N(2)–C(12)	1.362(5)
O(2)–C(45)	1.221(6)	N(3)–C(26)	1.378(6)
N(3)–Zn(1)–N(2)	88.89(13)	C(4)–N(1)–Zn(1)	126.1(3)
N(1)–Zn(1)–N(2)	88.37(13)	C(50)–O(1)–Zn(1)	119.7(4)
N(1)–Zn(1)–N(4)	88.03(13)	C(42)–C(45)–C(46)	119.2(5)
C(1)–N(1)–Zn(1)	126.7(3)	O(2)–C(45)–C(42)	120.5(5)

whereas the edge-to-edge distance (the closest distance between the porphyrin  $\beta$ -pyrrole carbon atom and the  $C_{60}$  carbon atom) is 9.208 Å. The porphyrin ring is slightly ruffled with 0.3033 Å out-of-plane displacement of the central Zn atom due to its axial coordination with N1 atom of the pyridine ring.

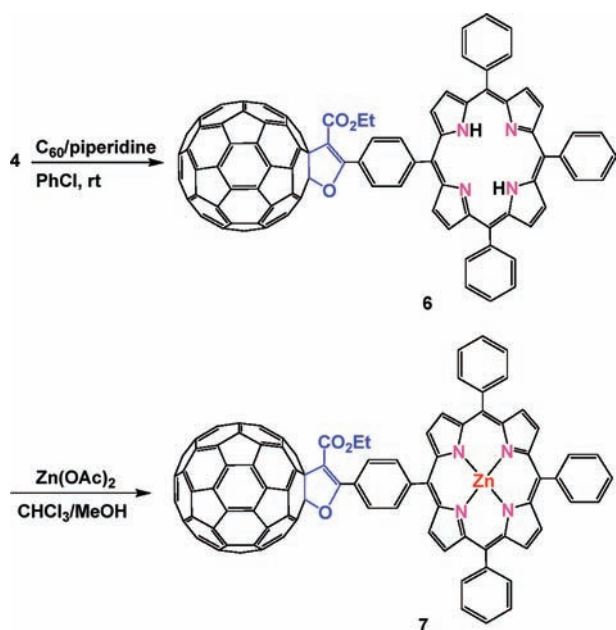
**Synthesis and Characterization of  $\beta$ -Keto Ester-Substituted Porphyrin Derivatives  $H_2TPPC(O)CH_2CO_2Et$  (4)/ZnTPPC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et (5) and Covalently Bonded Porphyrin-Fullerene Dyads  $H_2TPPC(O)=C(C_{60})CO_2Et$  (6)/ZnTPPC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (7).** In order to prepare the covalently linked porphyrin-fullerene dyads 6 and 7, we first prepared the  $\beta$ -keto ester-substituted porphyrin 4<sup>41</sup> and its porphyrinozinc derivative 5 via the synthetic route shown in Scheme 3. That is, when monoethyl malonate reacted with *n*-BuLi in 1:2 molar ratio followed by treatment with  $H_2TPPCl$  in the presence of  $Et_3N$ , the corresponding intermediate lithium salt  $H_2TPPC(O)CH_2CO_2Li$  (M) was generated. Then, after in situ hydrolysis of lithium salt M with diluted hydrochloric acid, the expected  $\beta$ -keto ester-substituted porphyrin 4 was obtained in 81% yield. Further treatment of porphyrin derivative 4 with excess  $Zn(OAc)_2$  in refluxing  $CHCl_3/MeOH$  resulted in formation of the porphyrinozinc derivative 5 in 90% yield. Particularly interesting is that the new covalently bonded porphyrin-fullerene dyad 6 could be prepared by [3 + 2] cycloaddition reaction of  $C_{60}$  with porphyrin derivative 4 in the presence of piperidine in chlorobenzene at room temperature in 77% yield, whereas further treatment of 6 with excess  $Zn(OAc)_2$  in  $CHCl_3/MeOH$



Scheme 3



Scheme 4



at room temperature afforded another new covalently bonded porphyrinozinc-fullerene dyad **7** in 89% yield (Scheme 4).

Compounds **4–7** are air-stable solids and were characterized by elemental analysis and various spectroscopic techniques. For example, the IR spectrum of **4** displayed one absorption band at  $3316\text{ cm}^{-1}$  assigned to its NH groups, one band at  $1742\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for its ketone carbonyl, and one band at  $1687\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for its ester carbonyl, whereas **5** exhibited one absorption band at  $1740\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for its ketone carbonyl, and one band at  $1685\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for its ester carbonyl, respectively. In addition, the IR spectra of **4** and **5** displayed three absorption bands in the range of  $1558\text{--}1338\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for the skeletal vibrations of pyrrole rings in their porphyrin moieties.<sup>34</sup>

It is interesting to note that the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **4** displayed three singlets at  $\delta = 4.25$ ,  $6.00$ , and  $12.86\text{ ppm}$ . This implies that in solution **4** is a mixture of the keto form with its enol form (Scheme 5). The three singlets could be assigned to the  $\text{CH}_2$  group between the two carbonyls in its keto form, and to the both  $=\text{CH}$  and  $\text{OH}$  groups in its enol form, respectively.<sup>42</sup> However, when excess  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  was added to solution of **4** during  $^1\text{H}$

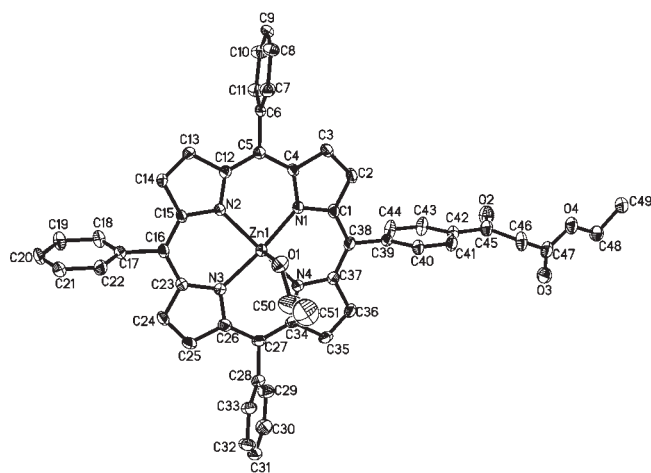
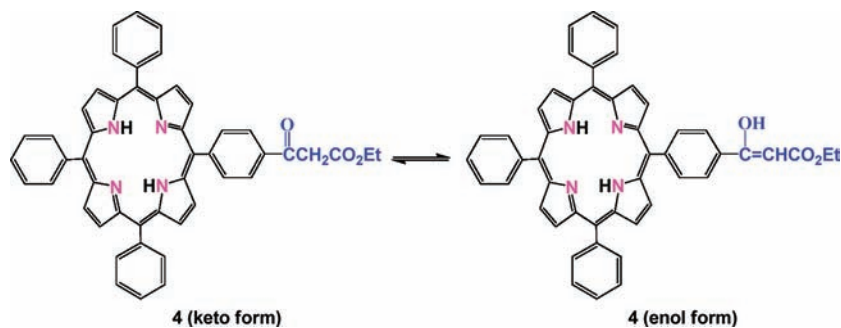
NMR determination, the singlet at  $\delta = 12.86\text{ ppm}$  for OH group in its enol form as well as the singlet at  $\delta = -2.75\text{ ppm}$  for NH groups in its keto and enol forms completely disappeared due to D/H exchanges. According to the integrated values of the corresponding  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signals, the molar ratio between the keto and enol forms was calculated to be 9:1. More interestingly, in contrast to **4**, the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **5** displayed only one singlet at  $\delta = 4.27\text{ ppm}$ , which implies that **5** existed only in the keto form.

The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **4** and **5** also demonstrated that **4** was a mixture of the keto and enol forms, while **5** was present only in its keto form. This is because the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **4** displayed three singlets at  $\delta = 46.33$ ,  $88.38$ , and  $173.70\text{ ppm}$ , assigned respectively to the carbon atom in  $\text{CH}_2$  group between two carbonyls in its keto form and those carbon atoms in  $=\text{CH}$  and  $\text{COH}$  groups in its enol form; in addition, **5** showed only one singlet at  $\delta = 45.94\text{ ppm}$ , assigned to the carbon in  $\text{CH}_2$  group between two carbonyls in its keto form without observing any  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR signal for groups  $=\text{CH}$  and  $\text{COH}$  in its enol form.

The IR spectra of dyads **6** and **7** showed one absorption band at ca.  $1695\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for their ester carbonyls, three bands in the region of  $1558\text{--}1368\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for the skeletal vibrations of pyrrole rings in their porphyrin moieties,<sup>34</sup> and three to four bands in the range of  $1442\text{--}526\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ascribed to the C–C stretching frequencies for their  $\text{C}_{60}$  spheres.<sup>33</sup> In addition, the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **6** showed a singlet at  $\delta = -2.82\text{ ppm}$  for its NH groups, which disappeared in **7** since the two H atoms attached to N atoms in **6** were replaced by Zn atom. Particularly noteworthy is that the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of **6** and **7** also indicated the presence of both the  $\text{C}_{60}$  sphere and the porphyrin moiety. For example, the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **6** showed one signal at  $\delta = 73.96\text{ ppm}$  for its two  $\text{sp}^3\text{-C}$  atoms and 28 signals in the range of  $134.97\text{--}147.71\text{ ppm}$  for the 58  $\text{sp}^2\text{-C}$  atoms in its  $\text{C}_{60}$  sphere.<sup>37,38</sup> In addition, **6** also displayed two signals at  $\delta = 141.93$  and  $131.32\text{ ppm}$  for  $\alpha\text{-C}$  and  $\beta\text{-C}$  atoms in its pyrrole rings, respectively. The two signals at  $\delta = 118.62$  and  $120.17\text{ ppm}$  can be attributed to meso-C atoms in the porphyrin macrocycle.

The molecular structure of porphyrin derivative **5** was unambiguously confirmed by X-ray crystallography. The ORTEP drawing of **5** is presented in Figure 5, whereas Table 1 lists its selected bond lengths and angles. It can be seen intuitively from Figure 5 that complex **5** indeed includes a tetraphenylporphyrin macrocycle in which Zn1 atom is coordinated to N1, N2, N3, and

Scheme 5

Figure 5. ORTEP view of **5** with 30% thermal ellipsoids.

N4 atoms as well as to O1 atom of the solvent EtOH used in the single-crystal growing process. The four Zn–N bond lengths (2.059–2.093 Å) and Zn1–O1 bond length (2.117 Å) of **5** are very close to those reported for ZnTPPH(MeOH),<sup>43</sup> ZnTPPH(H<sub>2</sub>O),<sup>44</sup> and [(μ-SCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>NFe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]ZnTPP(MeOH).<sup>11</sup> In addition, the four benzene rings around the metalloporphyrin moiety are twisted relative to the porphyrin plane with a dihedral angle (84.9°–95.1°) in order to avoid the strong steric repulsions between the proximal H atoms of the benzene and pyrrole rings in the metalloporphyrin macrocycle.

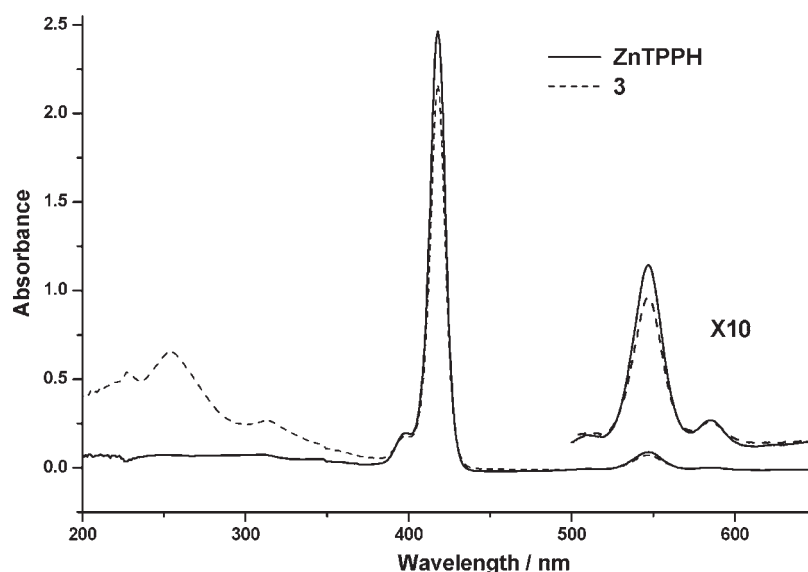
**Investigation on Photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> Evolution Under the Action of a Five-Component System Including Dyad 3.** In order to study such a photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution process, it was necessary first to study the UV–vis absorption and fluorescence emission spectra of dyad **3** and some related compounds. From such a study, we could select a suitable light wavelength to cause the electron excitation of the photosensitizer porphyrin moiety in dyad **3**; in addition, we would know if the photoexcited electron of the porphyrin moiety can be intramolecularly transferred to the electron acceptor C<sub>60</sub> moiety (note that such an electron transfer (ET) process is one of the important steps required for proton reduction to H<sub>2</sub>). The UV–vis absorption spectra of dyad **3** and ZnTPPH are shown in Figure 6. As can be seen in Figure 6, dyad **3** displayed a Soret band at 418 nm in the near-UV region and two Q bands at 547 and 585 nm in the visible region, which are virtually the same as those displayed by ZnTPPH.<sup>45</sup> In addition, dyad **3** also displayed three bands at 227, 254, and

314 nm in the UV region, which are due to the absorption of C<sub>60</sub> moiety.<sup>12,46–48</sup> The fluorescence emission spectrum of dyad **3** along with that of a 1:1 mixture of ZnTPPH and **2** are shown in Figure 7. As can be seen in Figure 7, the fluorescence emission spectrum of dyad **3** showed a 71% decrease of the intensity relative to that of the 1:1 mixture of ZnTPPH with **2**. Apparently, such a large decrease can be attributed to the existence of a strong intramolecular electron transfer from the photoexcited ZnTPPH moiety to the axially coordinated C<sub>60</sub> moiety.<sup>12,25b,26a,49,50</sup>

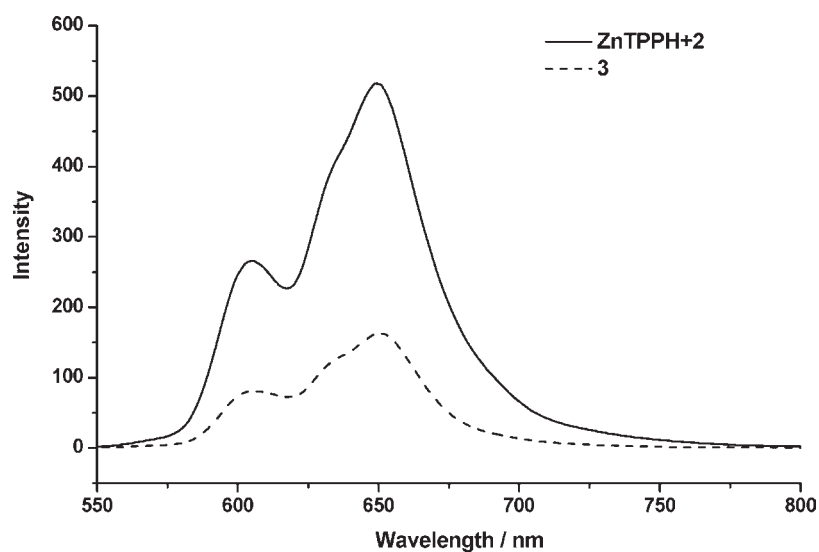
Interestingly, our experiments indicated that molecular H<sub>2</sub> was indeed produced when a 350 W Xe lamp with a Pyrex–glass filter (λ > 400 nm) was used to irradiate an aqueous solution of the five-component system consisting of an electron donor EDTA, dyad **3**, an electron mediator methylviologen (MV<sup>2+</sup>), a catalyst colloidal Pt (stabilized by sodium polyacrylate<sup>51</sup>), and a proton source HOAc in the presence of surfactant Triton X-100. The control experiments showed that all five components were essential for H<sub>2</sub> production. That is, omission of any of the five components afforded unobservable to trace amounts of hydrogen (see entries 2–5 in Table 2). In addition, no H<sub>2</sub> could be detected when the reaction involving the five-component system was carried out in the dark (see entry 6 in Table 2). The highest turnover number of H<sub>2</sub> evolution is 73 under the optimized conditions during 4 h irradiation (see entry 1 in Table 2). Actually, this photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution with 73 turnovers is comparable with those previously reported for photoinduced hydrogen evolution. For example, the system involving chromophore platinum terpyridyl acetylide and colloidal Pt reported by Eisenberg gave 84 turnovers during 10 h irradiation,<sup>52</sup> and that system involving a cobaloxime-based photocatalyst reported by Artero gave 103 turnovers during 15 h irradiation.<sup>5a</sup>

The influences of pH values, the catalyst (colloidal Pt) concentration, and irradiation time are shown in Figures 8, 9, and 10, respectively. As shown in Figures 8–10, the amount of H<sub>2</sub> evolved increases as the pH values decrease, reaching a maximum at pH = 3.99, whereas the evolved H<sub>2</sub> amount is increased with an increase of either the catalyst concentration or the irradiation time. It should be noted that only 0.23 μmol H<sub>2</sub> with 2.3 turnovers were produced after 4 h irradiation when dyad **3** was replaced by photosensitizer ZnTPPH. This shows that the C<sub>60</sub> moiety plays an important role in the photoinduced hydrogen production process (see entry 7 in Table 2).

According to these observations and the previously reported similar cases,<sup>11,12,53</sup> a possible pathway could be proposed for the photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> production catalyzed by colloidal Pt in the presence of dyad **3** (Scheme 6). Upon irradiation, dyad **3**



**Figure 6.** UV-vis spectra of **3** and ZnTPPH in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  ( $5 \times 10^{-6}$  M). The Soret band absorptions have been normalized, and the spectra have been amplified 10-fold in the Q-band region.



**Figure 7.** Fluorescence emission spectra ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 440$  nm) of **3** and an equimolar mixture of **2** with ZnTPPH in PhCl ( $1 \times 10^{-4}$  M).

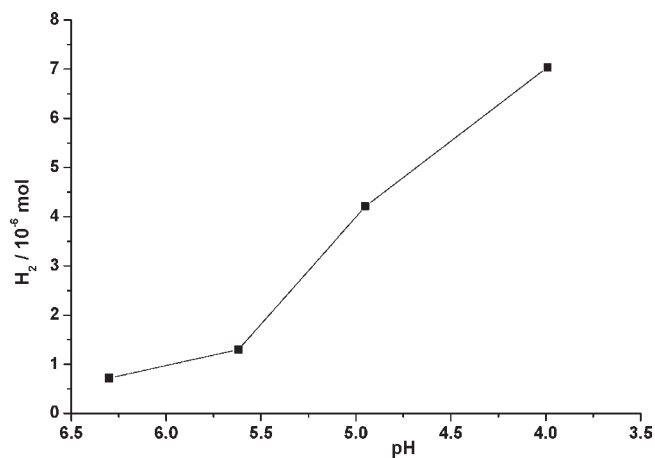
**Table 2.** Photoinduced  $\text{H}_2$  Evolution Catalyzed by Colloidal Pt in Aqueous Solutions

entry	photosensitizer	electron donor	electron mediator	proton source	irradiation time	TON <sup>a</sup>
1	dyad <b>3</b>	EDTA	$\text{MV}^{2+}$	HOAc	4 h	73
2	dyad <b>3</b>	EDTA	$\text{MV}^{2+}$	HOAc	4 h	<1
3	dyad <b>3</b>		$\text{MV}^{2+}$	HOAc	4 h	<1
4	dyad <b>3</b>	EDTA		HOAc		<1
5		EDTA	$\text{MV}^{2+}$	HOAc	4 h	<1
6	dyad <b>3</b>	EDTA	$\text{MV}^{2+}$	HOAc		0
7	ZnTPP	EDTA	$\text{MV}^{2+}$	HOAc	4 h	2.3

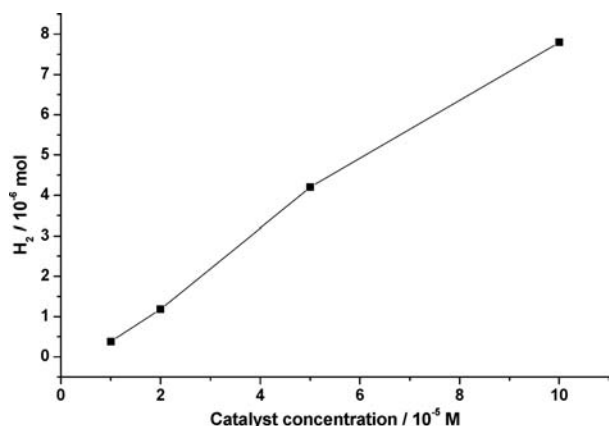
<sup>a</sup>TON are calculated on the basis of dyad **3**.

consisting of a photosensitizer ZnTPPH moiety and an electron acceptor  $\text{C}_{60}$  moiety turns to a charge-separated state

$\text{ZnTPPH}^+ \cdots \text{C}_{60}^-$  via the electron transfer from the excited state of the  $\text{ZnTPPH}^*$  moiety to the electron acceptor  $\text{C}_{60}$



**Figure 8.** The pH dependence of photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution from an aqueous solution (10 mL) of colloidal Pt (50 μM) containing EDTA (15 mM), **3** (20 μM), MV<sup>2+</sup> (0.27 mM), and Triton X-100 (0.3 mL) in the presence of HOAc (0.085 M)/NaOAc (0.015 M) at pH = 3.99; HOAc (0.036 M)/NaOAc (0.064 M) at pH = 4.95; HOAc (0.005 M)/NaOAc (0.095 M) at pH = 5.62; NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O (0.085 M)/Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>·12H<sub>2</sub>O (0.058 M) at pH = 6.30 during 4 h irradiation.

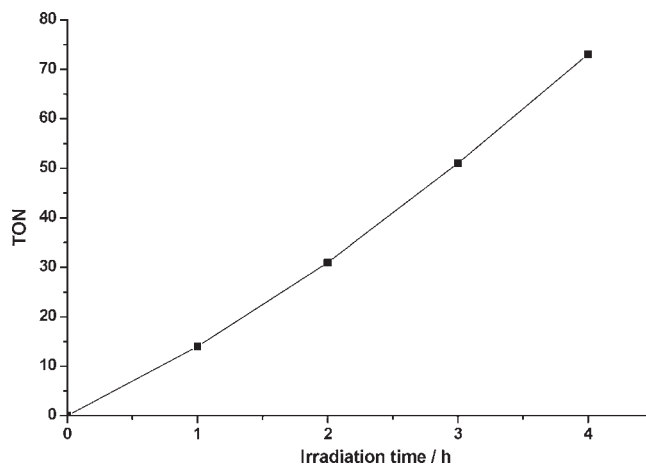


**Figure 9.** The colloidal Pt concentration dependence of photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution from an aqueous solution (10 mL) of colloidal Pt containing EDTA (15 mM), **3** (20 μM), MV<sup>2+</sup> (0.27 mM), and Triton X-100 (0.3 mL) in the presence of HOAc (0.036 M)/NaOAc (0.064 M) during 4 h irradiation.

moiety. The electron mediator MV<sup>2+</sup> is then reduced by the negatively charged C<sub>60</sub><sup>-</sup> in the charge-separated state ZnTPPH<sup>+</sup>·C<sub>60</sub><sup>-</sup> to give MV<sup>•+</sup> and ZnTPPH<sup>+</sup>·C<sub>60</sub>. While reductive quenching of the charge-separated species ZnTPPH<sup>+</sup>·C<sub>60</sub> by EDTA leads to the ground state of dyad **3**, the electron transfer from MV<sup>•+</sup> to proton under the action of colloidal Pt gives hydrogen, completing the catalytic cycle.

## CONCLUSIONS

We have found that the pyridyl and phenyl-containing dihydrofuran-fused C<sub>60</sub> derivatives **1** and **2** can be prepared by the base-catalyzed or Mn(OAc)<sub>3</sub>-mediated [3 + 2] cycloaddition reactions of C<sub>60</sub> with the corresponding β-keto esters in 70–91% yields, whereas the designed coordinatively bonded porphyrin-fullerene dyad **3** can be prepared in a nearly quantitative yield by coordination reaction of the pyridyl-containing C<sub>60</sub> derivative **1**



**Figure 10.** The time dependence of photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution from an aqueous solution (10 mL) of colloidal Pt (0.10 mM) containing EDTA (15 mM), **3** (20 μM), MV<sup>2+</sup> (0.41 mM), and Triton X-100 (0.3 mL) in the presence of HOAc (0.10 M) during 4 h irradiation.

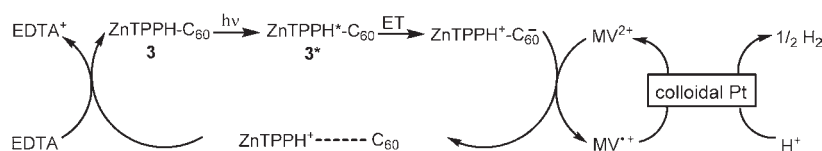
with ZnTPPH. Also, we have found that the β-keto ester-functionalized porphyrin derivatives **4** and **5** can be prepared by the sequential reaction involving lithiation of the starting material HO<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et and subsequent acylation, decarboxylation, and coordination steps, whereas the covalently bonded porphyrin-fullerene dyads **6** and **7** can be prepared by the base-catalyzed cycloaddition reaction of C<sub>60</sub> with porphyrin derivative **4** and subsequent coordination reaction of **6** with Zn(OAc)<sub>2</sub> in 77% and 89% yields, respectively. Particularly interesting is that photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolutions using a multicomponent system involving a porphyrin-fullerene dyad. This multicomponent system is a five-component system (consisting of electron donor EDTA, dyad **3**, electron mediator MV<sup>2+</sup>, catalyst colloidal Pt, and proton source HOAc), which gives H<sub>2</sub> with a high turnover number of 73. On the basis of similar cases and some related studies, a possible pathway for this photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> evolution is suggested. All the prepared compounds **1**–**7** have been characterized by elemental analysis and spectroscopy and particularly for **2**, **3**, and **5** by X-ray crystallography. Further studies on the multicomponent catalytic systems involving dyad **6**, **7**, and other porphyrin-fullerene dyads are in progress in this laboratory.

## EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

**General Comments.** All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of highly purified nitrogen using standard Schlenk or vacuum-line techniques. Chlorobenzene was distilled from CaH<sub>2</sub>; THF was distilled from Na/benzophenone ketyl, and piperidine was redistilled under nitrogen prior to use. Ethyl isonicotinoylacetate,<sup>54</sup> ZnTPPH,<sup>55</sup> monoethyl malonate,<sup>56</sup> H<sub>2</sub>TPPCO<sub>2</sub>H,<sup>57</sup> H<sub>2</sub>TPPCOCl,<sup>58</sup> and colloidal Pt<sup>51</sup> were prepared according to literature methods. Ethyl benzoylacetate, C<sub>60</sub>, Mn(OAc)<sub>3</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O, ethylenediamine tetraacetic disodium salt (EDTA), *N,N'*-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridium (methylviologen, MV<sup>2+</sup>), Triton X-100, and other chemicals were of commercial origin and used as received. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 300 or a Bruker Avance 400 NMR spectrometer. IR spectra were taken on a Bio-Rad FTS 135 spectrophotometer. Elemental analysis was performed on an Elementar Vario EL analyzer. UV–vis spectra and fluorescence emission spectra were carried out, respectively, on a Varian CARY 100 Bio spectrophotometer and on a Varian CARY Eclipse spectrophotometer. Melting points were



Scheme 6



determined on a Yanaco MP-500 melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.

**Preparation of (4-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N)C(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (1).** Method (i): A 100 mL two-necked flask fitted with a magnetic stir-bar, a rubber septum, and a N<sub>2</sub> inlet tube was charged with C<sub>60</sub> (72 mg, 0.1 mmol), ethyl isonicotinoylacetate (39 mg, 0.2 mmol), piperidine (30 μL, 0.3 mmol), and PhCl (20 mL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 36 h to give a red-brown solution. After volatiles were removed at reduced pressure, the residue was subjected to column chromatography (silica gel). Elution with toluene developed a purple band, from which unreacted C<sub>60</sub> (20 mg) was recovered. Elution with toluene/ethyl acetate (v/v 1:1) developed a brown band, from which **1** (60 mg, 91% yield based on the consumed C<sub>60</sub>) was obtained as a brown-black solid. Mp: >300 °C. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>70</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>: C, 92.21; H, 0.99; N, 1.54. Found: C, 91.93; H, 1.09; N, 1.57. IR (KBr disk): ν<sub>OC=O</sub> 1714 (vs), ν<sub>C=C</sub> 1636 (m), ν<sub>C60</sub> 1436 (m), 1180 (m), 575 (w), 527 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CS<sub>2</sub>:CDCl<sub>3</sub> = 1:1): 1.22 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.30 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 8.01 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2β-H in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 8.89 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2α-H in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz, CS<sub>2</sub>:CDCl<sub>3</sub> = 1:1): 13.84 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 61.05 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 107.05 (C=C-O), 123.65 (2β-C in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 149.67 (2α-C in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 163.05, 163.53 (C=CO/CO<sub>2</sub>), C<sub>60</sub> 72.83, 102.59 (2C of sp<sup>3</sup>-C), 135.48 (2C), 137.08 (2C), 137.43 (2C), 137.40 (2C), 139.89 (2C), 141.32 (2C), 141.50 (2C), 142.20 (2C), 142.26 (2C), 142.33 (2C), 142.35 (2C), 142.64 (2C), 142.72 (3C, including one γ-C in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 143.64 (2C), 144.11 (2C), 144.36 (2C), 144.50 (2C), 144.97 (2C), 145.10 (2C), 145.41 (2C), 145.47 (2C), 145.90 (2C), 145.95 (2C), 146.13 (2C), 146.20 (2C), 146.38 (2C), 147.09 (2C), 147.26 (1C), 147.48 (2C), 147.96 (1C) ppm. UV-vis (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 5 × 10<sup>-6</sup> M): λ<sub>max</sub> (log ε) = 228 (4.99), 255 (5.11), 314 nm (4.67).

Method (ii): A 100 mL two-necked flask equipped with a magnetic stir-bar, a serum cap, and a reflux condenser topped with a N<sub>2</sub> inlet tube was charged with C<sub>60</sub> (36 mg, 0.05 mmol), ethyl isonicotinoylacetate (19 mg, 0.10 mmol), Mn(OAc)<sub>3</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O (40 mg, 0.15 mmol), and PhCl (10 mL). While stirring, the mixture was heated at reflux for 15 min and then was cooled to room temperature. The same workup as that used in Method (i) afforded unreacted C<sub>60</sub> (8 mg) and **1** (21 mg, 59% yield based on the consumed C<sub>60</sub>).

**Preparation of PhC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (2).** The same procedures were utilized as described for preparation of **1** except that ethyl benzoylacetate (35 μL, 0.2 mmol) was employed instead of ethyl isonicotinoylacetate. Using Method (i), unreacted C<sub>60</sub> (30 mg) and **2** (37 mg, 70% yield based on the consumed C<sub>60</sub>) as a brown-black solid were obtained. Using Method (ii), unreacted C<sub>60</sub> (12 mg) and **2** (10 mg, 33% yield based on the consumed C<sub>60</sub>) were obtained. Mp: >300 °C. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>71</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 93.62; H, 1.11. Found: C, 93.41; H, 1.19. IR (KBr disk): ν<sub>OC=O</sub> 1701 (vs), ν<sub>C=C</sub> 1618 (m), ν<sub>C60</sub> 1437 (m), 1182 (m), 576 (w), 527 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CS<sub>2</sub>:CDCl<sub>3</sub> = 1:1): 1.20 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.28 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.60–7.63 (m, two *m*-H/one *p*-H in C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 8.11–8.14 (m, two *o*-H in C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz, CS<sub>2</sub>:CDCl<sub>3</sub> = 1:1): 14.39 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 60.98 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 109.99 (C=CO), 128.23, 129.81, 130.35, 131.42 (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 163.31, 163.55 (C=CO/CO<sub>2</sub>), C<sub>60</sub>: 72.43, 105.03 (2 sp<sup>3</sup>-C), 135.82 (2C), 137.86 (2C), 139.73 (2C), 140.24 (2C), 141.83 (2C), 141.91 (2C), 142.61 (2C), 142.65 (2C), 142.78 (2C), 142.84 (2C), 143.01 (2C),

143.10 (2C), 143.36 (2C), 144.56 (2C), 144.72 (2C), 144.83 (2C), 145.12 (2C), 145.34 (2C), 145.48 (2C), 145.76 (2C), 145.97 (2C), 146.27 (2C), 146.34 (2C), 146.49 (2C), 146.55 (2C), 146.77 (2C), 147.64 (1C), 147.71 (2C), 148.35 (1C), 148.64 (2C) ppm. UV-vis (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 5 × 10<sup>-6</sup> M): λ<sub>max</sub> (log ε) = 228 (4.99), 255 (5.11), 315 nm (4.67).

**Preparation of (4-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N)C(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et·ZnTPPH (3).** A 25 mL Schlenk tube was charged with fullerene derivative **1** (9.1 mg, 0.01 mmol), ZnTPPH (6.8 mg, 0.01 mmol), and CS<sub>2</sub> (1.5 mL). To the top of the resulting CS<sub>2</sub> solution was carefully added hexane (1 mL), and then, the system was allowed to diffuse its hexane into the CS<sub>2</sub> solution. After 2 days of slow diffusion at room temperature, a black precipitate was formed, which was collected by filtration, washed with hexane, and finally dried under vacuum to afford **3** (15.5 mg, 97%) as a black solid. Mp: 290–292 °C. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>114</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Zn·3C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Cl: C, 82.25; H, 2.72; N, 3.63. Found: C, 82.09; H, 2.74; N, 3.58. IR (KBr disk): ν<sub>OC=O</sub> 1706 (s), ν<sub>OC=C</sub> 1598 (s), ν<sub>C=C</sub> 1522 (m, pyrrole C=C), ν<sub>C=N</sub> 1484 (m, pyrrole C=N), ν<sub>C-N</sub> 1338 (m, pyrrole C-N), ν<sub>C60</sub> 1400 (m), 1175 (m), 575 (w), 527 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CS<sub>2</sub>:CDCl<sub>3</sub> = 1:1): 0.73 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.40 (br s, 2α-H in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 3.87 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.42 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2β-H in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 7.70–7.72 (m, 8*m*-H/4*p*-H in 4C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 8.18–8.21 (m, 8*o*-H in 4C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 8.86 (s, 8H in 4 pyrrole rings) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.4 MHz, CS<sub>2</sub>:CDCl<sub>3</sub> = 1:1): 13.64 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 60.84 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 107.25 (C=C-O), 120.82 (4meso-C attached to phenyl groups), 122.63 (2β-C in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 126.45, 127.23 (8*m*-C/4*p*-C in 4C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 131.86 (8β-C in pyrrole rings), 134.74 (8*o*-C in 4C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 143.47 (4*ipso*-C in 4C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 150.12 (2α-C in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N/8α-C in pyrrole rings), 161.44, 162.22 (C=CO/CO<sub>2</sub>); C<sub>60</sub>: 72.14, 101.91 (2sp<sup>3</sup>-C), 136.46 (2C), 136.98 (2C), 138.81 (2C), 139.06 (2C), 140.31 (2C), 140.94 (2C), 141.41 (4C), 141.55 (2C), 141.69 (2C), 141.83 (2C), 141.89 (2C), 142.09 (2C), 142.52 (2C), 143.23 (2C), 143.60 (2C), 143.94 (3C, including one γ-C in C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 144.22 (2C), 144.39 (2C), 144.50 (2C), 144.72 (2C), 145.16 (2C), 145.25 (4C), 145.42 (2C), 145.52 (2C), 146.46 (2C), 146.48 (2C), 146.57 (1C), 147.23 (1C) ppm. UV-vis (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 5 × 10<sup>-6</sup> M): λ<sub>max</sub> (log ε) = 227 (5.03), 254 (5.13), 314 (4.77), 418 (5.68), 547 (4.24), 585 nm (2.93).

**Preparation of H<sub>2</sub>TPPC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et (4).** A 100 mL two-necked flask fitted with a magnetic stir-bar, a rubber septum, and a N<sub>2</sub> inlet tube was sequentially charged with THF (20 mL), monoethyl malonate (0.86 mL, 7.3 mmol), and several milligrams of 2,2'-dipyridyl as an indicator. The mixture was cooled to -65 °C, and then, *n*-BuLi (1.6 M in hexane, 9 mL, 14.6 mmol) was slowly added to allow the low temperature to raise to ca. -5 °C. While the pink indicator persisted at -5 °C, the mixture was recooled to -65 °C. To this mixture were added H<sub>2</sub>TPPCOCl (494 mg, 0.73 mmol) (prepared from H<sub>2</sub>TPPCO<sub>2</sub>H and oxalyl chloride), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.4 mL, 2.87 mmol), and THF (15 mL). The new mixture was stirred at this temperature for 20 min and at room temperature for 1 h and then was poured into a mixture of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 mL) and 1 N HCl (20 mL). The organic layer was washed with the NaHCO<sub>3</sub>-saturated aqueous solution of (2 × 30 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and evaporated to dryness at reduced pressure. The residue was subjected to column chromatography (silica gel). Elution with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/petroleum ether (v/v 3:1) developed a purple band, from which **4** (430 mg, 81%) was obtained as a purple solid. Mp: 84 °C (dec).



Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{49}H_{36}N_4O_3$ : C, 80.75; H, 4.98; N, 7.69. Found: C, 80.56; H, 4.90; N, 7.67. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{N-H}$  3316 (m),  $\nu_{C=O}$  1742 (s),  $\nu_{OC=O}$  1687 (s),  $\nu_{C=C}$  1558 (m, pyrrole C=C),  $\nu_{C=N}$  1472 (s, pyrrole C=N),  $\nu_{C-N}$  1349 (m, pyrrole C-N)  $cm^{-1}$ .  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ): -2.75 (s, 2H, 2NH), 1.40 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H,  $CH_3$ ), 4.25, (s, 2H in  $COCH_2CO_2$  of keto form), 4.37 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H,  $OCH_2CH_3$ ), 6.00 (s, 1H in C=CH of enol form), 7.78 (s, 6*m*-H/3*p*-H in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 8.24 (s, 8*o*-H in  $3C_6H_5/C_6H_4$ ), 8.35 (s, 2*m*-H in  $C_6H_4$ ), 8.79–8.90 (m, 8H in 4 pyrrole rings), 12.86 (s, 1H in  $HOC=C$  of enol form) ppm.  $^{13}C$  NMR (100.6 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ) for keto form: 14.63 ( $CH_3$ ), 46.33 ( $COCH_2CO_2$ ), 61.95 ( $OCH_2CH_3$ ), 118.52, 120.97 (4*meso*-C attached to phenyl groups), 127.12 (8*m*-C in  $C_6H_5/C_6H_4$ ), 128.19 (3*p*-C in  $C_6H_5$ ), 131.78 (8 $\beta$ -C in pyrrole rings), 134.94 (6*o*-C in  $C_6H_5$ ), 135.17 (2*o*-C in  $C_6H_4$ ), 142.38 (4*ipso*-C in  $3C_6H_5/C_6H_4$ ), 148.16 (8 $\alpha$ -C in pyrrole rings), 167.90 ( $CO_2$ ), 192.96 (C=O) ppm; for enol form: 14.55 ( $CH_3$ ), 60.88 ( $OCH_2CH_3$ ), 88.38 (CH=COH), 119.25, 121.24 (4*meso*-C attached to phenyl groups), 124.77 (8*m*-C in  $3C_6H_5/C_6H_4$ ), 128.15 (3*p*-C in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 133.17 (8 $\beta$ -C in pyrrole rings), 135.10 (6*o*-C in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 135.46 (2*o*-C in  $C_6H_4$ ), 145.63 (4*ipso*-C in  $3C_6H_5/C_6H_4$ ), 152.51 (8 $\alpha$ -C in pyrrole rings), 171.65 (OC=O), 173.70 (CH=COH) ppm. UV–vis ( $CH_2Cl_2$ ,  $5 \times 10^{-6}$  M):  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) = 418 (5.62), 514 (4.15), 551 (3.65), 590 (3.38), 645 nm (3.30).

**Preparation of ZnTPPC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et (5).** To the same equipped flask as that described for preparation of 4 were added porphyrin derivative 4 (50 mg, 0.069 mmol) and  $CHCl_3$  (10 mL). To the stirred solution was added a MeOH (10 mL) solution of Zn(OAc)<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O (50 mg, 0.23 mmol), and then, the new mixture was heated at reflux for 1 h. After cooling to room temperature, it was washed with water (3 × 10 mL) and the separated organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated to dryness at reduced pressure. The residue was subjected to column chromatography (silica gel). Elution with  $CH_2Cl_2$ /petroleum ether (v/v 2:1) developed a purple-red band, from which 5 (49 mg, 90%) was obtained as a purple-red solid. Mp: 214 °C (dec). Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{49}H_{34}N_4O_3Zn$ : C, 74.29; H, 4.33; N, 7.07. Found: C, 74.09; H, 4.50; N, 7.09. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{C=O}$  1741 (s),  $\nu_{OC=O}$  1685 (s),  $\nu_{C=C}$  1558 (w, pyrrole C=C),  $\nu_{C=N}$  1487 (m, pyrrole C=N),  $\nu_{C-N}$  1338 (s, pyrrole C-N)  $cm^{-1}$ .  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ): 1.38 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H,  $CH_3$ ), 4.27 (s, 2H,  $COCH_2CO_2$ ), 4.35 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H,  $OCH_2CH_3$ ), 7.77 (s, 6*m*-H/3*p*-H in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 8.21–8.23 (m, 6*o*-H in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 8.35 (s, 4H,  $C_6H_4$ ), 8.87–8.96 (m, 8H in 4 pyrrole rings) ppm.  $^{13}C$  NMR (75.4 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ): 14.13 ( $CH_3$ ), 45.94 ( $COCH_2CO_2$ ), 61.55 ( $OCH_2CH_3$ ), 119.06, 121.45 (4*meso*-C attached to phenyl groups), 126.60 (8*m*-C in  $3C_6H_5/C_6H_4$ ), 127.58 (3*p*-C in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 131.38 (one *p*-C in  $C_6H_4$ ), 132.18, 132.43 (8 $\beta$ -C in pyrrole rings), 134.48 (6*o*-C in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 134.82 (2*o*-C in  $C_6H_4$ ), 142.79 (4*ipso*-C in  $3C_6H_5/C_6H_4$ ), 148.79, 149.46, 150.27, 150.48 (8 $\alpha$ -C in pyrrole rings), 167.50 ( $CO_2$ ), 192.52 (C=O) ppm. UV–vis ( $CH_2Cl_2$ ,  $5 \times 10^{-6}$  M):  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) = 419 (5.73), 548 (4.37), 587 nm (3.67).

**Preparation of H<sub>2</sub>TPPC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (6).** To the same equipped flask as that used for preparation of 4 were added porphyrin derivative 4 (109 mg, 0.15 mmol), C<sub>60</sub> (72 mg, 0.1 mmol), and chlorobenzene (20 mL). To the stirred solution was added piperidine (30  $\mu$ L, 0.3 mmol), and then, the new mixture continued to be stirred at room temperature for 36 h under the dark. After volatiles were removed at reduced pressure, the residue was subjected to column chromatography (silica gel). Elution with toluene/petroleum ether (v/v 1:1) developed a purple band, from which unreacted C<sub>60</sub> (28 mg) was recovered. Elution with toluene developed a brown band, from which 6 (68 mg, 77% based on the consumed C<sub>60</sub>) was obtained as a brown-black solid. Mp: >300 °C (dec). Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{109}H_{34}N_4O_3$ : C, 90.45; H, 2.37; N, 3.87. Found: C, 90.57; H, 2.32; N, 3.62. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{N-H}$  3315 (m),  $\nu_{OC=O}$  1700 (s),  $\nu_{OC=C}$  1601 (w),  $\nu_{C=C}$  1558 (m, pyrrole C=C),  $\nu_{C=N}$  1460 (s, pyrrole C=N),  $\nu_{C-N}$  1372 (m, pyrrole C-N);  $\nu_{C60}$  1442 (m), 1180 (s), 576 (w), 527 (s)  $cm^{-1}$ .  $^1H$  NMR (400

MHz,  $CS_2:CDCl_3 = 2:1$ ): -2.82 (s, 2H, 2NH), 1.38 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H,  $CH_3$ ), 4.43 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H,  $CH_2$ ), 7.79 (s, 6*m*-H/3*p*-H in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 8.22 (d,  $J = 4.8$  Hz, 6*o*-H in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 8.51, 8.53, 8.58, 8.60 (ABq,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 4H,  $C_6H_4$ ), 8.83, 8.91, 8.96 (3s, 8H in 4 pyrrole rings) ppm.  $^{13}C$  NMR (100.6 MHz,  $CS_2:CDCl_3 = 1:1$ ): 14.15 ( $CH_3$ ), 60.79 ( $CH_2$ ), 104.89 (C=CO), 118.62, 120.17 (4*meso*-C attached to phenyl), 131.32 (8 $\beta$ -C in pyrrole rings), 126.62, 127.58, 128.42, 134.04, 134.44 ( $C_6H_5/C_6H_4$ ), 141.93 (8 $\alpha$ -C in pyrrole rings), 163.57, 166.03 (C=CO/ $CO_2$ ); C<sub>60</sub>: 73.96 (2  $sp^3$ -C), 134.97 (2C), 136.74 (2C), 138.91 (2C), 139.06 (2C), 140.52 (2C), 141.17 (2C), 141.51 (2C), 141.57 (2C), 141.83 (2C), 142.02 (2C), 142.05 (2C), 142.31 (2C), 143.43 (2C), 143.55 (2C), 143.85 (2C), 143.94 (2C), 144.48 (2C), 144.68 (2C), 144.83 (4C), 145.27 (4C), 145.41 (2C), 145.54 (2C), 145.60 (2C), 145.70 (2C), 146.86 (1C), 146.96 (2C), 147.54 (1C), 147.71 (2C) ppm. UV–vis ( $CH_2Cl_2$ ,  $5 \times 10^{-6}$  M):  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) = 254 (5.04), 314 (4.66), 418 (5.58), 514 (4.09), 551 (3.70), 590 (3.36), 645 nm (3.24).

**Preparation of ZnTPPC(O)=C(C<sub>60</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>Et (7).** To the same equipped flask as that used for preparation of 4 were added dyad 6 (17.6 mg, 0.012 mmol) and  $CHCl_3$  (10 mL). While stirring, to the resulting solution was added a MeOH (10 mL) solution of Zn(OAc)<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O (10 mg, 0.046 mmol), and then, the new mixture continued to be stirred at room temperature for 0.5 h. The reaction mixture was washed with water (3 × 10 mL) and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. After removal of solvents under vacuum, 7 (15.6 mg, 89%) was obtained as a brown-black solid. Mp: >300 °C (dec). Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{109}H_{32}N_4O_3Zn$ : C, 86.65; H, 2.13; N, 3.71. Found: C, 86.79; H, 2.19; N, 3.69. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{OC=O}$  1693 (m),  $\nu_{OC=C}$  1632 (m),  $\nu_{C=C}$  1550 (w, pyrrole C=C),  $\nu_{C=N}$  1439 (w, pyrrole C=N),  $\nu_{C-N}$  1368 (w, pyrrole C-N);  $\nu_{C60}$  1439 (w), 563 (w), 526 (m)  $cm^{-1}$ .  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ): 1.37 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H,  $CH_3$ ), 4.45 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H,  $CH_2$ ), 8.40 (s, 6*m*-H/3*p*-H in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 8.43 (s, 6*o*-H in  $3C_6H_5$ ), 8.45–8.60 (m, 4H,  $C_6H_4$ ), 8.95–9.08 (m, 8H in pyrrole rings) ppm.  $^{13}C$  NMR (100.6 MHz,  $CS_2:CDCl_3 = 1:1$ ): 13.24 ( $CH_3$ ), 59.95 ( $CH_2$ ), 103.91 (C=CO), 118.81, 120.32 (4*meso*-C attached to phenyl), 125.51, 125.60, 126.51, 127.43, 130.78, 131.11, 131.17, 131.35, 133.02, 133.41, 141.72, 141.78 ( $C_6H_5/C_6H_4$ ), 162.90, 165.35 (C=CO/ $CO_2$ ); C<sub>60</sub>: 72.02, 100.85 (2  $sp^3$ -C), 134.05 (2C), 134.57 (2C), 135.85 (2C), 138.00 (2C), 138.05 (2C), 139.40 (2C), 140.27 (2C), 140.50 (2C), 140.58 (2C), 140.88 (2C), 141.11 (4C), 141.40 (2C), 142.45 (2C), 142.69 (2C), 142.98 (2C), 143.04 (2C), 143.55 (2C), 143.75 (2C), 143.95 (2C), 144.31 (2C), 144.49 (2C), 144.62 (2C), 144.69 (2C), 144.79 (2C), 145.14 (2C), 145.93 (1C), 146.06 (2C), 146.66 (1C), 146.88 (2C) ppm. UV–vis ( $CH_2Cl_2$ ,  $5 \times 10^{-6}$  M):  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) = 228 (5.27), 257 (5.33), 314 (4.94), 419 (5.79), 548 (4.46), 587 nm (3.87).

**X-ray Structure Determinations of 2 and 3 and 5.** The single crystals of 2 suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis were grown by slow evaporation of its  $CS_2$ /hexane solution at rt, those of 3 obtained by slow evaporation of its  $CS_2$ /PhCl solution at rt, and those of 5 obtained by slow evaporation of its  $CH_2Cl_2$ /EtOH solution at rt. A single crystal of 2, 3, or 5 was mounted on a Rigaku MM-007 (rotating anode) diffractometer equipped with Saturn 7000. Data were collected at 113 K using a confocal monochromator with Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation (0.71070 Å) in the  $\omega$ - $\phi$  scanning mode. Data collection and reduction and absorption correction were performed by CRYSTALCLEAR program.<sup>59</sup> All the structures were solved by direct methods using the SHELXS-97 program<sup>60</sup> and refined by full-matrix least-squares techniques (SHELXL-97)<sup>61</sup> on  $F^2$ . Hydrogen atoms were located using the geometric method. Crystal data and structural refinement details for 2, 3, and 5 are summarized in Table 3 (see Supporting Information).

**Photoinduced H<sub>2</sub> Evolution.** A 30 mL Schlenk flask fitted with a N<sub>2</sub> inlet tube, a rubber septum, a magnetic stir-bar, and a water-cooling jacket was charged with EDTA (55.83 mg, 0.15 mmol), dyad 3 (0.32 mg,  $2 \times 10^{-4}$  mmol), colloidal Pt (10 mL of 0.1 mM,  $1 \times 10^{-3}$  mmol), MV<sup>2+</sup> (1.76 mg,  $4 \times 10^{-3}$  mmol), HOAc (57  $\mu$ L, 1 mmol), and Triton X-100

(0.3 mL). While stirring, the resulting solution was thoroughly deoxygenated by bubbling with nitrogen and then was irradiated through a Pyrex-glass filter ( $\lambda > 400$  nm) using a 350 W Xe lamp at about 25 °C (controlled by the cooling jacket). During the photoinduced catalysis, the evolved H<sub>2</sub> was withdrawn periodically using a gastight syringe, which was analyzed by gas chromatography on a Shimadzu GC-9A instrument with a thermal conductivity detector and a carbon molecular sieve column (3 mm  $\times$  2.0 m) and N<sub>2</sub> as the carrier gas.

## ■ ASSOCIATED CONTENT

**S** Supporting Information. Full tables of crystal data, atomic coordinates, thermal parameters, and bond lengths and angles for **2**, **3**, and **5** as CIF files and Table 3 summarizing the crystal data and structural refinement details for **2**, **3**, and **5**. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

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