

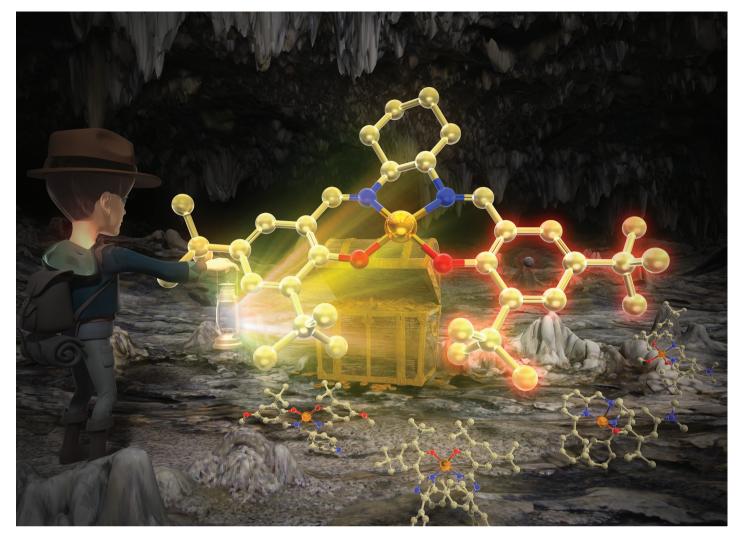
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Diversity of oxidation state in copper complexes with phenolate ligands

Over the past several decades, the redox chemistry of Cuphenolate complexes has been great progress, and finally discovered various treasures, such as Cu^{II}-phenoxyl radical complexes, Cu^{III}-phenolate, the phenoxyl radical binding Cu^I complexes and Cu^{IV}-phenolate complexes in the formal oxidation state. This Perspective discusses these treasures, that is, new aspects of the properties and reactivities of various Cu-phenolate and Cu-phenoxyl radical complexes, focusing on the correlation between geometric and electronic structures.



