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 $\pi\text{-}Extended$ ligands with dual-binding behavior: hindered rotation unlocks unexpected reactivity in cyclometalated Pt complexes

This cover image, designed by Japanese graphic designer Satohiro Tatara (TATARAS Design), illustrates the dual binding behavior of Pt complexes featuring $\pi\text{-extended}$ ligands with two faces, reflecting the dual faces of the Roman god Janus. The structures also depict the slow rotation of a free aryl ring, which facilitates the formation of both 5-membered and 6-membered rings. The red and blue colors emphasize the difference in ring sizes.



