Supplementary Information

Novel Anticancer NHC*-Gold(I) Complexes Inspired by Lepidiline A

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T1 (ppm)

Figure S2. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 2b in CDCl₃.



Figure S4. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 2c in CDCl₃.



Figure S6. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 6a in CDCl₃.



Figure S8. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 6b in CDCl₃.



Figure S20. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 3a in CDCl₃.



Figure S42. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 3b in CDCl₃.



Figure S64. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 4a in CDCl₃.



Figure S86. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 4b in CDCl₃.



220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 f1 (ppm)

Figure S108. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 5a in CDCl₃.



Figure S20. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 5b in CDCl₃.



Figure S22. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 5c in CDCl₃.



Figure S24. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 5d in CDCl₃.



Figure S26. ¹³C-NMR spectra of 5e in CDCl₃.

	2b	2c	3a	3b
Empirical Formula	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ N ₂ Cl ₂ Br Au	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ N ₂ Cl ₂ I Au	C ₅₈ H ₄₈ N ₄ F ₆ P Au	C ₅₈ H ₄₈ B F ₄ N ₄ Au
Formula Weight	762.30	809.29	1142.94	1084.78
(g·mol⁻¹)				
Temperature (K)	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)
Crystal system	Triclinic	Triclinic	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Space group	P-1 (#2)	P-1 (#2)	P21/c (#14)	P-1 (#2)
Unit cell dimensions				
a (Å)	8.9019(2)	9.0569(2)	16.9459(1)	14.5025(1)
b (Å)	13.1121(3)	13.0587(2)	19.0314(1)	15.1574(1)
c (Å)	13.7953(3)	14.0021(3)	15.31484(8)	22.0115(2)
α (°)	112.593(2)	112.936(2)	90	90.4807(6)
β (°)	102.638(2)	102.247(2)	93.7614(5)	91.3160(6)
γ (°)	101.910(2)	102.555(2)	90	91.5461(5)
Volume (ų)	1373.18(6)	1405.14(5)	4928.46(5)	4835.34(6)
Z	2	2	4	4
Density (calcd)	1.844	1.913	1.540	1.490
(mg/m ³)				
Absorption	7.028	6.545	6.469	6.194
coefficient (mm ⁻¹)				
F (000)	736	772	2288	2176
Crystal size (mm ³)	0.263 x 0.151 x 0.093	0.256 x 0.161 x 0.062	0.261 x 0.061 x 0.043	0.129 x 0.101 x 0.078
θ (°)	2.956 to 30.508	2.989 to 32.858	3.496 to 77.108	3.527 to 76.829
Index ranges	$-12 \le h \le 12$	$-13 \leq h \leq 13$	$-21 \leq h \leq 21$	$-18 \leq h \leq 18$
0	$-18 \le k \le 18$	$-19 \leq k \leq 19$	$-23 \leq k \leq 23$	$-18 \leq k \leq 19$
	$-19 \leq l \leq \!\!19$	$-21 \leq l \leq 20$	$-14 \leq l \leq 19$	$-27 \leq l \leq 27$
Reflections collected	29326	44345	100377	131179
Independent	8375 (0.0421)	9743 (0.0278)	10384 (0.0504)	20239 (0.0405)
reflections Rint				
Completeness to θ_{max}	99.8	99.8	100.0	100.0
(%)				
Absorption	Gaussian	Gaussian	Gaussian	Gaussian
correction				
Max and min	0.618 and 0.316	0.716 and 0.318	0.793 and 0.388	0.709 and 0.568
transmission				
Refinement method	Full–matrix	Full-matrix	Full–matrix	Full–matrix
	Least–squares on F ²	Least–squares on F ²	Least–squares on F2	Least–squares on
Data/restraints/	8375 / 0 / 325	9743 / 0 / 325	10384 / 0 / 631	20239 / 0 / 1225
narameters		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Goodness-of-fit on F?	1.040	1 063	1.037	1.051
Final R indices II >	R1 = 0.0258	R1 = 0.0189	R1 = 0.0222	R1 = 0.0254
$2\sigma(I)$	wR2 = 0.0524	wR2 = 0.0449	wR2 = 0.0546	wR2 = 0.0555
$\frac{-2}{10}$ (all data)	R1 = 0.0321	R1 = 0.0203	R1 = 0.0273	R1 = 0.0322
in marces (un dutu)	wR2 = 0.0550	wR2 = 0.0458	wR2 = 0.0581	wR2 = 0.0585
Largest diff. peak	1.307 and -0.759	1.132 and -0.699	0.693 and -1.292	0.915 and -1.276
and hole				

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for complexes 2b-3b.

	4a	4b	5a	5b
Empirical Formula	C ₄₇ H ₃₉ N ₂ F ₆ P ₂ Au	C ₄₇ H ₃₉ B N ₂ F ₄ P Au	C ₃₁ H ₂₅ N ₂ Au	C ₃₇ H ₂₉ N ₂ Au
Formula Weight	1004.71	946.55	622.49	698.59
(g·mol⁻¹)				
Temperature (K)	100(2)	100(2) K	100(2)	100(2)
Crystal system	Triclinic	Triclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	P-1 (#2)	P-1 (#2)	P21/c (#14)	P21/n (#14)
Unit cell dimensions				
a (Å)	11.73747(8)	11.1534(2)	12.3303(3)	17.3520(3)
b (Å)	13.92645(7)	13.8188(2)	18.3303(3)	10.4155(1)
c (Å)	14.41601(7)	14.7889(2)	11.0923(2)	17.6623(2)
α (°)	80.3519(4)	81.470(1)	90	90
β (°)	66.5068(5)	68.978(2)	103.150(2)	114.610(2)
γ (°)	69.5446(5)	69.069(2)	90	90
Volume (Å ³)	2023.76(2)	1986.72(6)	2441.32(9)	2902.14(8)
Z	2	2	4	4
Density (calcd)	1.649	1.582	1.694	1.599
(mg/m^3)				
Absorption	8.128	3.798	6.048	9.730
coefficient (mm ⁻¹)				
F (000)	996	940	1216	1376
Crystal size (mm ³)	0.280 x 0.181 x	0.401 x 0.293 x 0.278	0.221 x 0.172 x	0.172 x 0.108 x
	0.094	• • • • • • •	0.100	0.018
θ (°)	3.345 to 76.837	2.990 to 32.745	2.796 to 32.854	4.676 to 76.852
Index ranges	$-12 \le h \le 14$	$-16 \le h \le 16$	$-18 \le h \le 17$	$-21 \le h \le 20$
	$-17 \le k \le 17$	$-20 \le k \le 20$	$-27 \le k \le 27$	$-13 \le k \le 12$
	$-18 \le l \le 18$	$-21 \le 1 \le 22$	$-16 \le l \le 16$	$-22 \le l \le 22$
Reflections collected	78827	46327	76578	54931
Independent	8487 (0.0318)	13629 (0.0444)	8710 (0.0446)	6111 (0.0645)
reflections Rint				
Completeness to θ_{max}	100.0	99.8	99.8	100.0
Absorption	Gaussian	Gaussian	Gaussian	Gaussian
correction				
Max and min	0.539 and 0.245	0.457 and 0.380	0.601 and 0.377	0.845 and 0.363
transmission				
Refinement method	Full-matrix	Full-matrix	Full-matrix	Full-matrix
	Least-squares on	Least-squares on F2	Least-squares on	Least-squares on
	F2	10 (00) / 0 / 505	F ²	F2
Data/ restraints/	8487/0/524	13629 / 0 / 505	8/10/0/30/	6111/0/361
parameters	1 081	1.053	1 081	1 021
Goodness-of-fit on F2	$R_1 = 0.0102$	$R_1 = 0.0312$	R1 = 0.0246	R1 = 0.0328
rinal K indices $[1 > 2\pi/1]$	wR2 = 0.0491	wR2 = 0.0683	wR2 = 0.0505	wR2 = 0.0836
$\frac{20(1)}{1000}$	R1 = 0.0197	$R_1 = 0.0350$	R1 = 0.0331	R1 = 0.0300
K maices (all data)	wR2 = 0.0492	wR2 = 0.0709	wR2 = 0.0535	wR2 = 0.0903
Largest diff. peak	1.202 and -0.714	3.089 and -0.932	1.321 and -0.610	1.857 and -1.785
and hole				

Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for complexes 4a-5b.

	5c	5d	5e
Empirical Formula	C77 H64 N4 O2 Cl2 Au2	$C_{149}H_{114}N_8F_4Cl_2Au_4$	$C_{38}H_{28}F_3N_2Au$
Formula Weight (g·mol⁻¹)	1542.15	2951.24	766.59
Temperature (K)	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	P21/n (#14)	I2/a (#15)	P21/n (#14)
Unit cell dimensions			
a (Å)	15.0757(2)	31.4887(3)	14.9691(2)
b (Å)	9.14899(9)	9.06171(8)	10.91009(9)
c (Å)	23.2187(2)	42.0249(3)	19.2159(2)
α (°)	90	90	90
β (°)	93.0801(8)	98.2131(7)	90.0427(7)
γ (°)	90	90	90
Volume (Å ³)	3197.87(6)	11868.46(18)	3138.23(6)
Z	2	4	4
Density (calcd) (mg/m^3)	1.602	1.652	1.623
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	9.665	10.007	9.199
F (000)	1524	5800	1504
Crystal size (mm ³)	0.121 x 0.066 x 0.020	0.201 x 0.047 x 0.027	0.151 x 0.108 x 0.039
θ (°)	3.413 to 76.907	3.292 to 76.873	3.742 to 76.879
Index ranges	$-18 \leq h \leq 18$	$-37 \le h \le 39$	$-18 \leq h \leq 18$
	$-11 \leq k \leq 11$	$-11 \leq k \leq 10$	$-13 \leq k \leq 13$
	$-29 \leq l \leq 29$	$-52 \le l \le 51$	$-24 \leq l \leq 24$
Reflections collected	34565	78037	63588
Independent reflections Rint	6711 (0.0383)	12388 (0.0507)	6602 (0.0516)
Completeness to θ_{max} (%)	100.0	99.9	100.0
Absorption correction	Gaussian	Gaussian	Gaussian
Max and min transmission	0.845 and 0.521	0.762 and 0.323	0.724 and 0.366
Refinement method	Full-matrix	Full-matrix	Full-matrix
	Least-squares on F ²	Least-squares on F ²	Least-squares on F2
Data/ restraints/ parameters	6711 / 0 / 407	12388 / 0 / 753	6602 / 0 / 397
Goodness-of-fit on F2	1.029	1.055	1.033
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	R1 = 0.0209	R1 = 0.0477	R1 = 0.0361
	wR2 = 0.0496	wR2 = 0.1204	wR2 = 0.0886
K indices (all data)	$K_1 = 0.0243$ WR2 = 0.0515	$K_1 = 0.0540$ WR2 = 0.1274	$K_1 = 0.0401$ WR2 = 0.0915
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.770 and -0.851	3.002 and -2.638	3.496 and -1.281

Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for complexes 5c-5e.

Table S4. CCDC numbers for complexes 2b-5e.

Compound	Lab code	CCDC
NHC*-Au-Br (2b)	Tac266	2012886
NHC*-Au-I (2c)	Tac262	2012885
[NHC*2Au]PF6 (3a)	Tac267	2012887
[NHC*2Au]BF4 (3b)	Tac271	2012888
[NHC*-Au-PPh3]PF6 (4a)	Tac279	2013114
[NHC*-Au-PPh3]BF4 (4b)	Tac287	2013115
NHC*-Au-CCH (5a)	Tac280	2012889
NHC*-Au-CC-Ph (5b)	Tac282	2012890

NHC*-Au-CC-Ph- <i>p</i> -OMe (5c)	Tac288	2012893
NHC*-Au-CC-Ph-p-F (5d)	Tac283	2012891
NHC*-Au-CC-Ph- <i>p</i> -CF ₃ (5e)	Tac286	2012892



Figure S27. X-ray diffraction structures of NHC*-Au-Br (**2b**); thermal ellipsoids drawn on the 50% probability level. Solvent molecules and hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure S28. X-ray diffraction structures of $[NHC^{*}_{2}Au]PF_{6}$ (3a); thermal ellipsoids drawn on the 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure S29. X-ray diffraction structures of [NHC*-Au-PPh₃]BF₄ (**4b**); thermal ellipsoids drawn on the 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure S30. X-ray diffraction structures of NHC*-Au-CC-Ph (**5b**); thermal ellipsoids drawn on the 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure S31. X-ray diffraction structures of NHC*-Au-CC-Ph-*p*-OMe (**5c**); thermal ellipsoids drawn on the 50% probability level. Solvent molecules and hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure S32. X-ray diffraction structures of NHC*-Au-CC-Ph-*p*-F (**5d**); thermal ellipsoids drawn on the 50% probability level. Solvent molecules and hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure S33. X-ray diffraction structures of NHC*-Au-CC-Ph-*p*-CF₃ (**5e**); thermal ellipsoids drawn on the 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.