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Combining photoinduced linkage isomerism and nonlinear optical properties in ruthenium nitrosyl complexes

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Figure S1 Experimental (XRPD) and theoretical (SCXRD) diffraction patterns.

	GS	GS+MS1				
		GS	MS1	GS/MS1		
Formula	$N_5H_{12}OF_7Si_1Ru_1$					
Formula weight	360.27					
Temperature/K	100					
Crystal system	Monoclinic					
Space group	Pn					
a/Å	6.7036(4)		6.7242(4)			
$b/{ m \AA}$	7.4260(4)	7.4260(4) 7.4249(4)				
$c/{ m \AA}$	10.1296(7) 10.1347(7)					
a/°	90 90					
β/°	107.469(6) 107.135(7)					
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	90	90				
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	481.01(5)		483.53(6)			
Ζ	2					
$ ho_{calc}/g \cdot cm^{-3}$	2.4873		2.4743			

**Table S1**Experimental and refinement details.

μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.850	1.850 1.840				
F(000)	349.9					
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	$0.157 \times 0.104 \times 0.085$					
Radiation	Mo K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å)					
$2\Theta$ range for data	5.48 to	5.48 to 66				
collection/°	65.84					
Index ranges	$-10 \le h \le$	$-10 \le h \le 10,$				
	10,	$-11 \le k \le 11,$				
	$-11 \leq k \leq$	$-13 \le l \le 14$				
	11,					
	$-13 \le l \le$					
	14					
Reflections collected	8064	8063				
Independent reflections	3165	$3186 [R_{int} = 0.0388,$				
	$[R_{int} =$	$R_{\rm sigma} = 0.0461$ ]				
	0.0326,					
	$R_{\rm sigma} =$					
	0.0390]					
Data/restraints/parameters	3165/2/141	3186/2/141	3186/2/141	3186/6/139		
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.023	1.028	1.046	1.026		
Final R indexes	$R_1 =$	$R_1 =$	$R_1 =$	$R_1 =$		
[I>=2σ (I)]	0.0220,	0.0273,	0.0282,	0.0273,		
	$wR_2 =$	$wR_2 =$	$wR_2 =$	$wR_2 =$		
	0.0472	0.0614	0.0647	0.0608		
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 =$	$R_1 =$	$R_I =$	$R_1 =$		
	0.0237,	0.0293,	0.0301,	0.0292,		
	$wR_2 =$	$wR_2 =$	$wR_2 =$	$wR_2 =$		
	0.0488	0.0631	0.0665	0.0625		
Largest diff. peak/hole /	0.64/-0.64	0.58/-0.82	0.63/-0.83	0.47/-0.85		
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**Figure S2** Selected two-dimensional fingerprint plots for different intermolecular interactions. Plots are based on Hirshfeld surfaces of (a-d)  $[Ru(NO)(NH_3)_4F]^{2+}$ , (e-f) SiF<sub>6</sub><sup>-2-</sup>.



Figure S3 The graph represents Gaussian fit of MS1 population vs. excitation wavelength.



**Figure S4** IR spectra at 10 K of the GS (orange line), GS+MS1 (green line) and GS+MS1+MS2 (black line) in the range 450 - 900 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



**Figure S5** Scheme of linkage isomerisation in *trans*- $[RuNO(NH_3)_4F]SiF_6$  indicating relevant spectral ranges for population and depopulation with light.



**Figure S6** The colour change of *trans*-[RuNO(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>F]SiF<sub>6</sub> single crystal from bright yellow (GS, on the left) to pale yellow (GS+MS1, on the right) after 405 nm irradiation at 100 K.



**Figure S7** 3D residual electron density maps of GS+MS1 with Ru-NO (left) and Ru-ON (right) model refinements; residual electron density surfaces are 0.4 eÅ<sup>-3</sup>. Excess of electron density is shown by red contours, lack by green contours.



**Figure S8** Fitted DSC curves of the MS1  $\rightarrow$  GS (top) and the MS2  $\rightarrow$  GS (bottom) reactions.



**Figure S9** IR spectra of *trans*-[RuNO(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>F]SiF<sub>6</sub> after 15 min of 405 nm 360 mW irradiation at 290 K as a function of time (top). Mono-exponential fit of the band area during the decay (bottom).



**Figure S10** Light-induced absorption changes in *trans*-[RuNO(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>F]SiF<sub>6</sub> after pumping at 410 nm (5 ns laser pulse) and probing at 535 nm at room temperature. The experimental data are fitted by mono-exponential kinetic yielding a lifetime of 13(1) ms.