

## Supporting Information

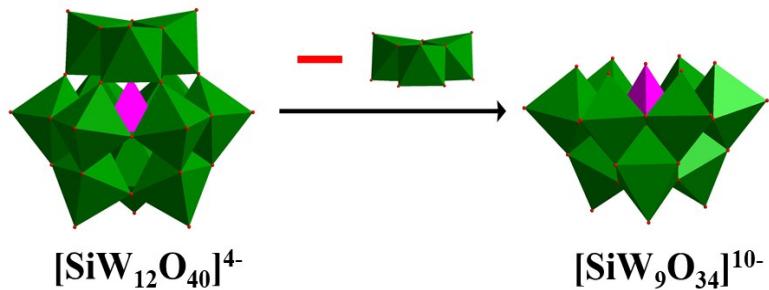
# Three new high-nuclear transition-metal-substituted heteropolytungstates : syntheses, crystal structures, magnetic studies and NLO properties

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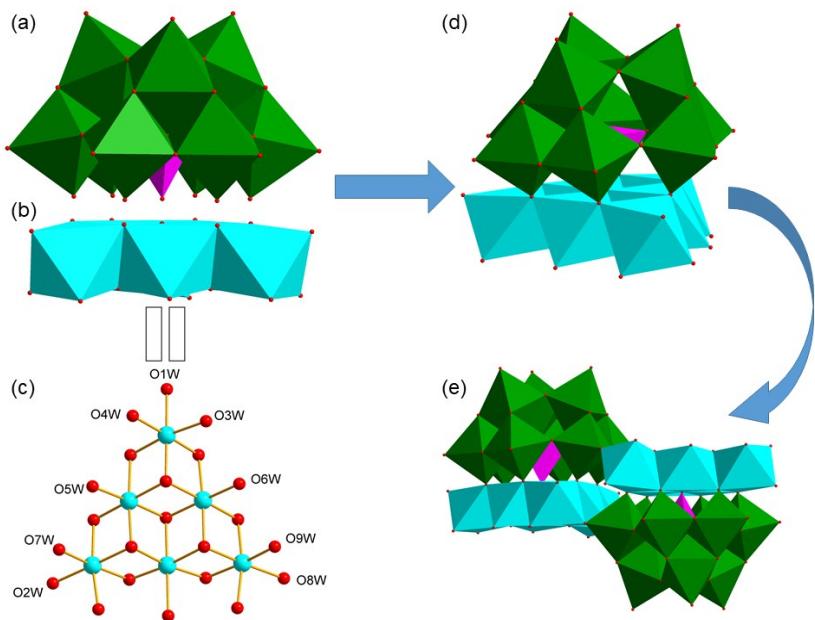
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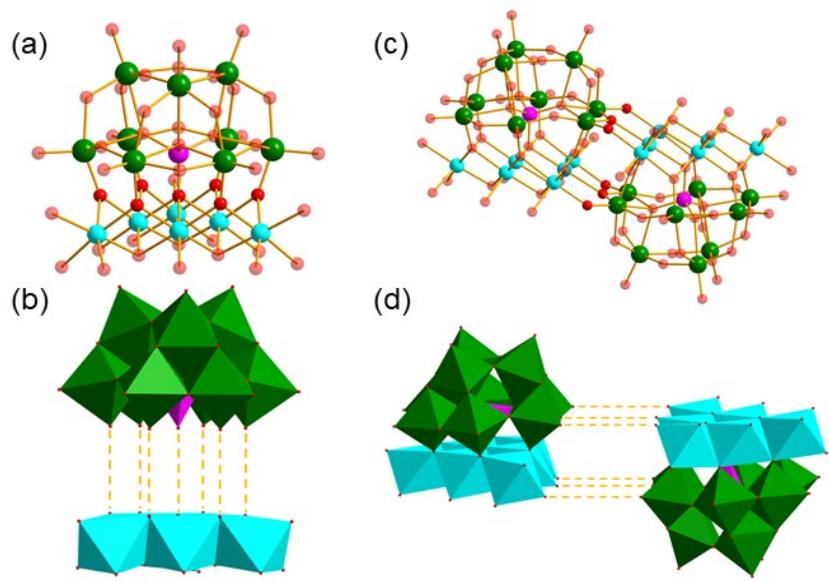
## 1. Structure



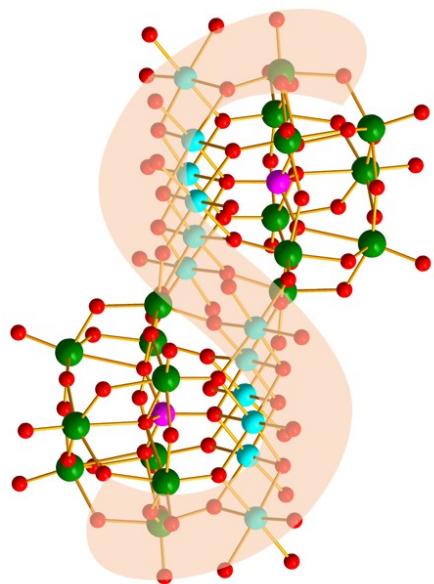
**Scheme S1** The polyhedral representation of  $[\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34}]^{10-}$  anion derived from  $[\text{SiW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}]^{4-}$  anion schema.



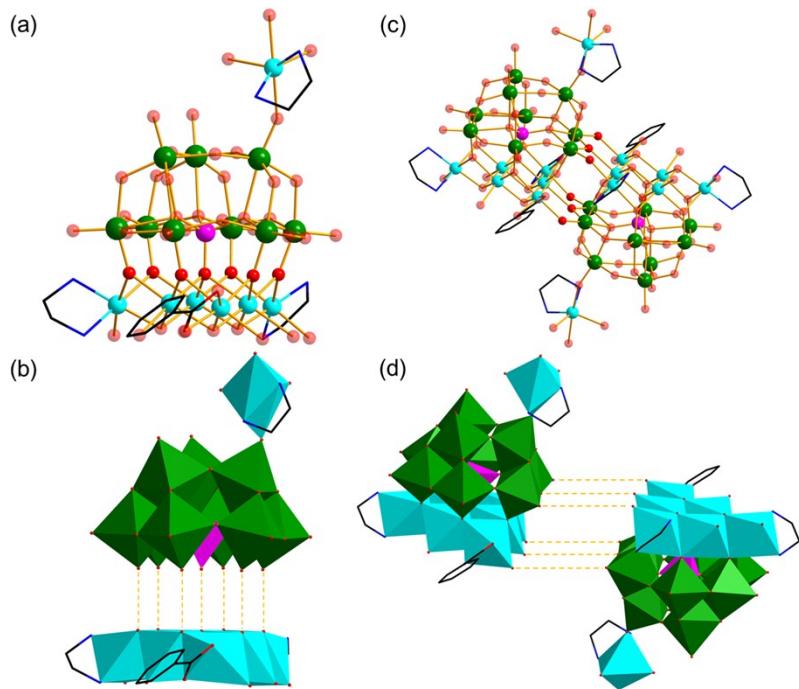
**Fig. S1** The polyhedral representation of  $[\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34}]^{10-}$  anion (a),  $\{\text{Ni}_6\}$  cluster (b),  $\{\text{Ni}_6\text{SiW}_9\}$  subunit (d), and compound **1** (e). The ball-and-stick representation of  $\{\text{Ni}_6\}$  cluster (c). H atoms and water molecules are omitted for clarity. Color codes: W, green; Ni, sky blue; O, red;  $\text{WO}_6$ , green;  $\text{NiO}_6$ , sky blue;  $\text{SiO}_4$ , purple.



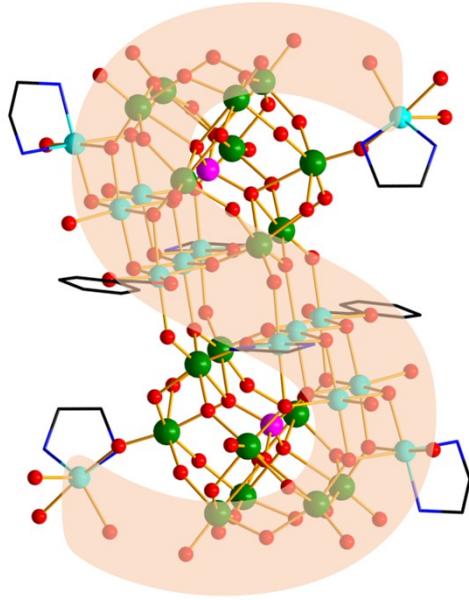
**Fig. S2** The ball-and-stick (a) and polyhedral (b) of the connection between  $\text{SiW}_9$  anion and  $\{\text{Ni}_6\}$  cluster. The ball-and-stick (c) and polyhedral (d) of the connection between the  $\{\text{Ni}_6\text{SiW}_9\}$  subunits. H atoms and water molecules are omitted for clarity. Color codes: Si, purple; W, green; Ni, sky blue; O, red;  $\text{WO}_6$ , green;  $\text{NiO}_6$ , sky blue;  $\text{SiO}_4$ , purple.



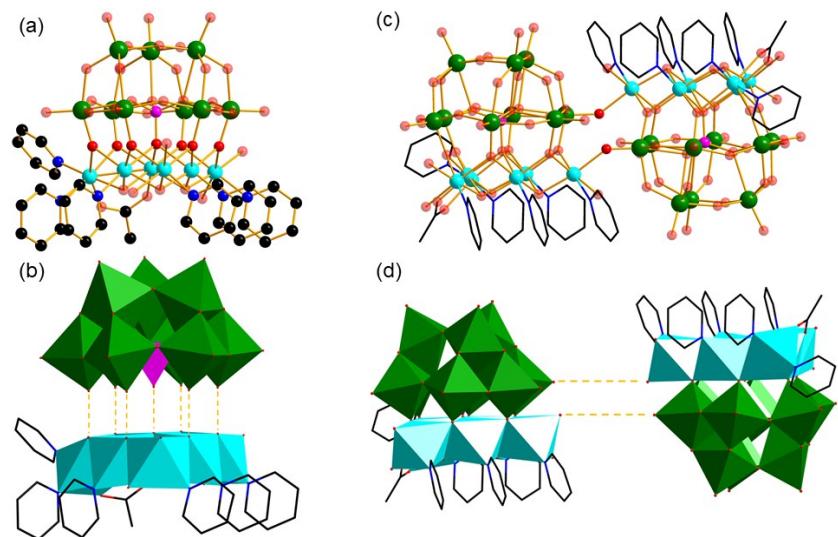
**Fig. S3** The 'S-shape' dimer  $\{(\text{Ni}_6\text{SiW}_9)_2\}^{4-}$  structure of compound 1. Color codes: Si, purple; W, green; Ni, sky blue; O, red.



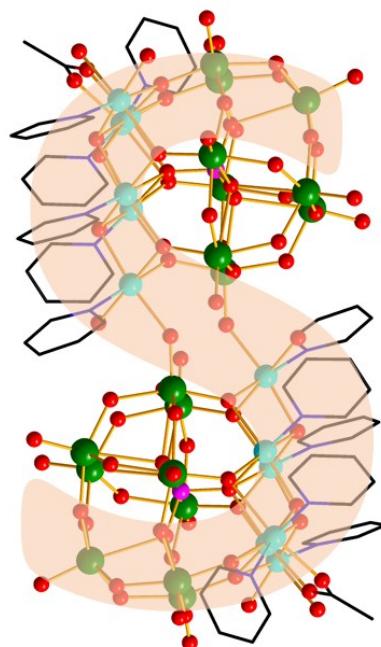
**Fig. S4** The ball-and-stick (a) and polyhedral (b) of the connection between  $\text{SiW}_9$  anion and  $\text{Ni}_6\text{L}(\text{en})_2$  cluster containing ligands. The ball-and-stick (c) and polyhedral (d) of the connection between the  $\text{Ni}_6\text{L}(\text{en})_2\text{SiW}_9$  subunits. H atoms and water molecules are omitted for clarity. Color codes: Si, purple; W, green; Ni, sky blue; O, red; C, black; N, blue;  $\text{WO}_6$ , green;  $\text{NiO}_6$ , sky blue;  $\text{SiO}_4$ , purple.



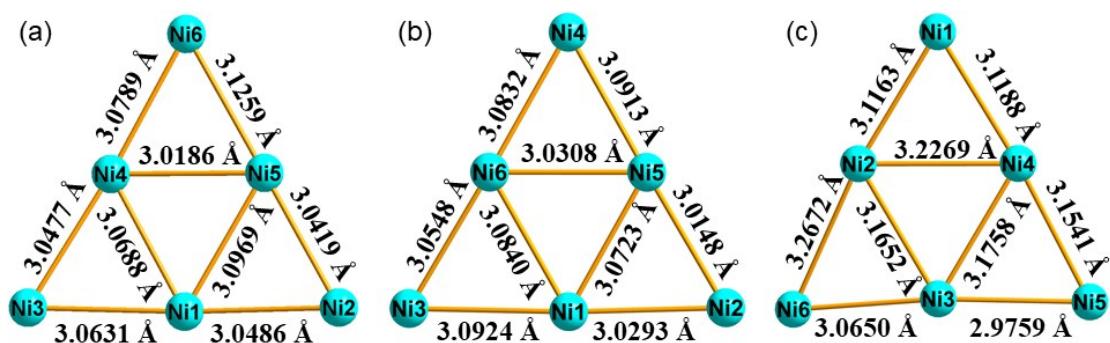
**Fig. S5** The ‘S-shape’ structure of compound 2. Color codes: Si, purple; W, green; Ni, sky blue; O, red; C, black; N, blue.



**Fig. S6** The ball-and-stick (a) and polyhedral (b) of the connection between  $[PW_9O_{34}]^{10-}$  anion and  $\{Ni_6\}$  cluster containing ligands. The ball-and-stick (c) and polyhedral (d) of the connection between the  $\{Ni_6(L')_6(CH_3COO)(H_2O)_3(\mu_3-OH)_3(HPW_9O_{34})\}$  subunits. H atoms and water molecules are omitted for clarity. Color codes: P, purple; W, green; Ni, sky blue; O, red; C, black; N, blue;  $WO_6$ , green;  $NiO_6$ , sky blue;  $PO_4$ , purple.

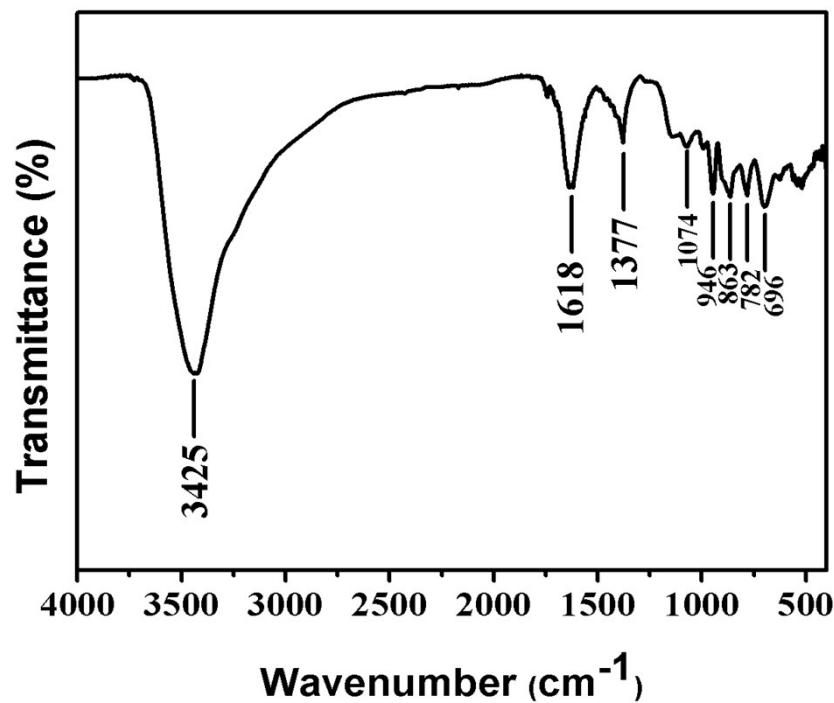


**Fig. S7** The ‘S-shape’ structure of compound 3. Color codes: P, purple; W, green; Ni, sky blue; O, red; C, black; N, blue.

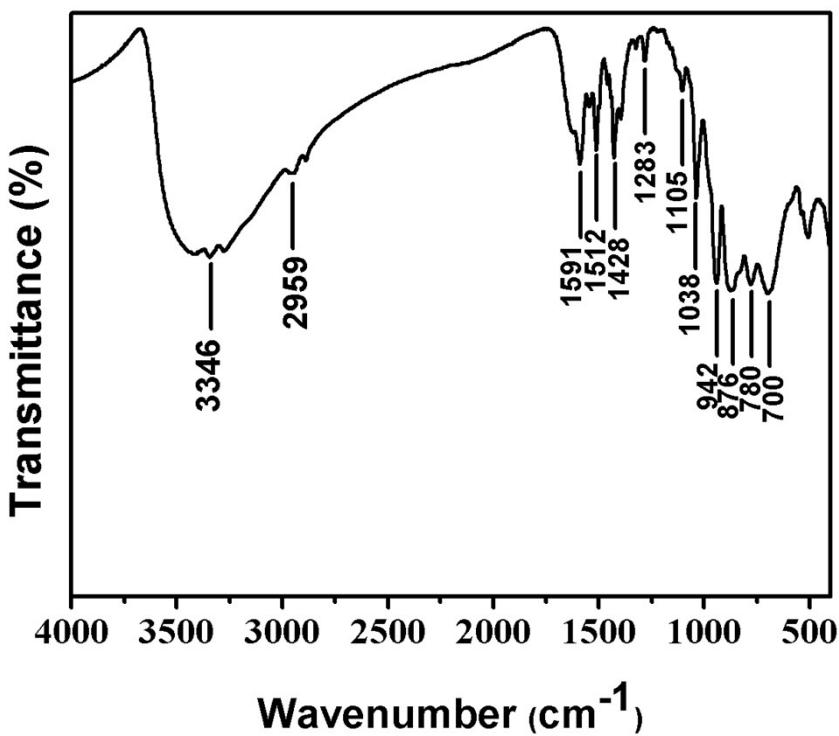


**Fig. S8** The Ni...Ni distances in the  $\text{Ni}_6$  (a) of **1**,  $\text{Ni}_6\text{L}(\text{en})_2$  (b) of **2**, and  $\text{Ni}_6(\text{L}')_6\text{Ac}$  (c) of **3**.

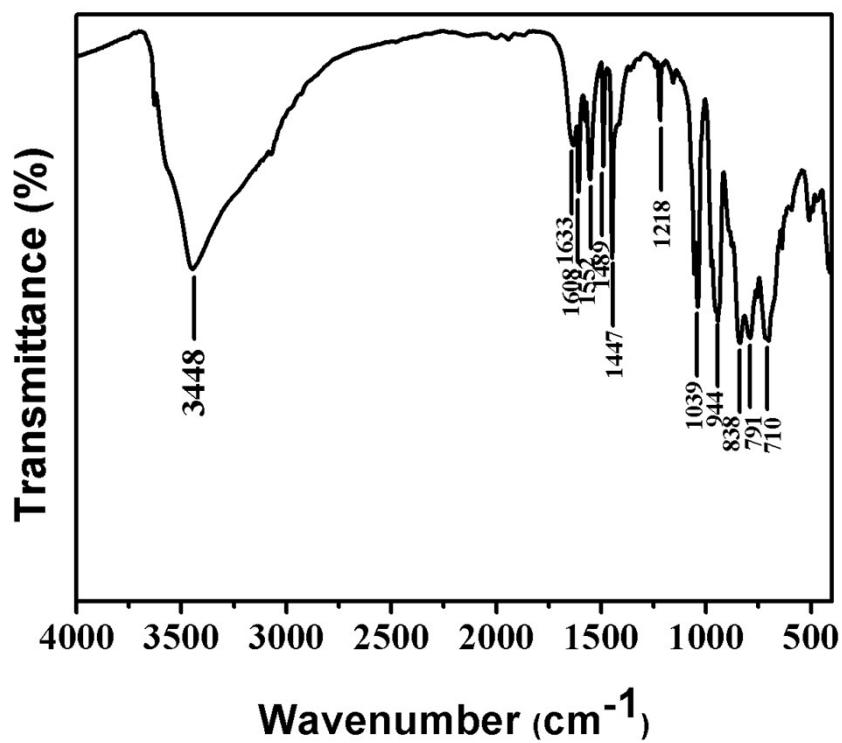
## 2. IR Spectra



**Fig. S9** The IR spectrum of compound 1.

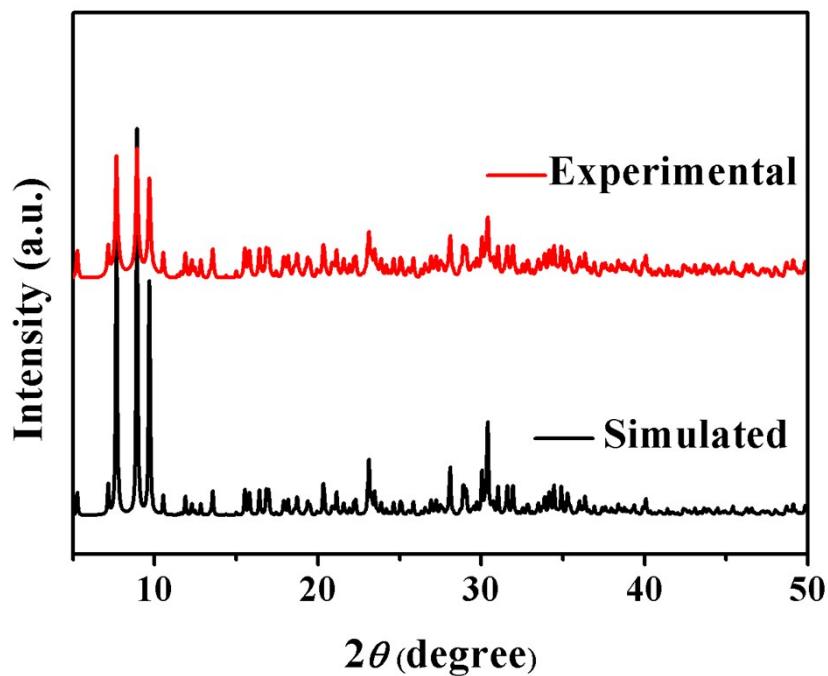


**Fig. S10** The IR spectrum of compound 2.

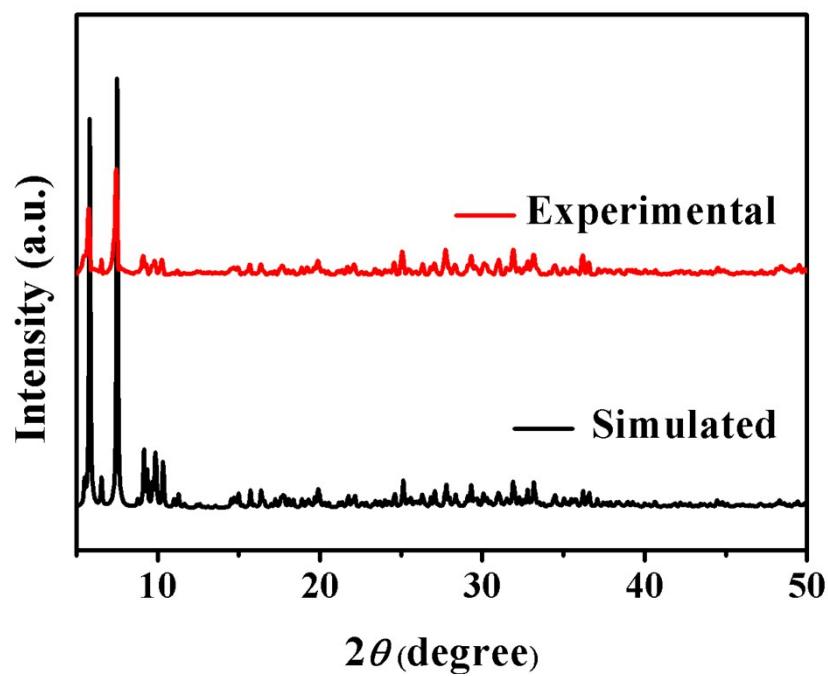


**Fig. S11** The IR spectrum of compound 3.

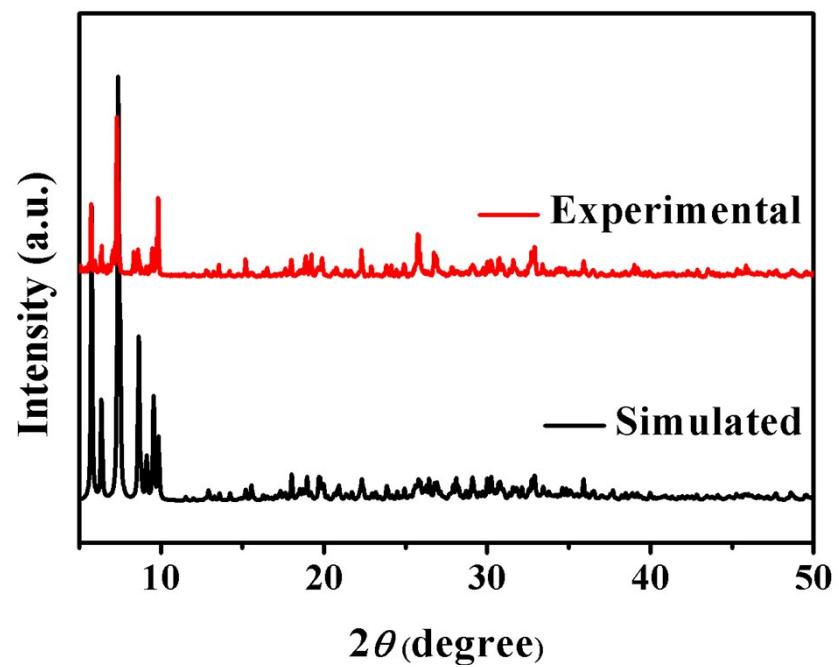
### 3. PXRD patterns



**Fig. S12** Experimental and simulated PXRD patterns of 1.

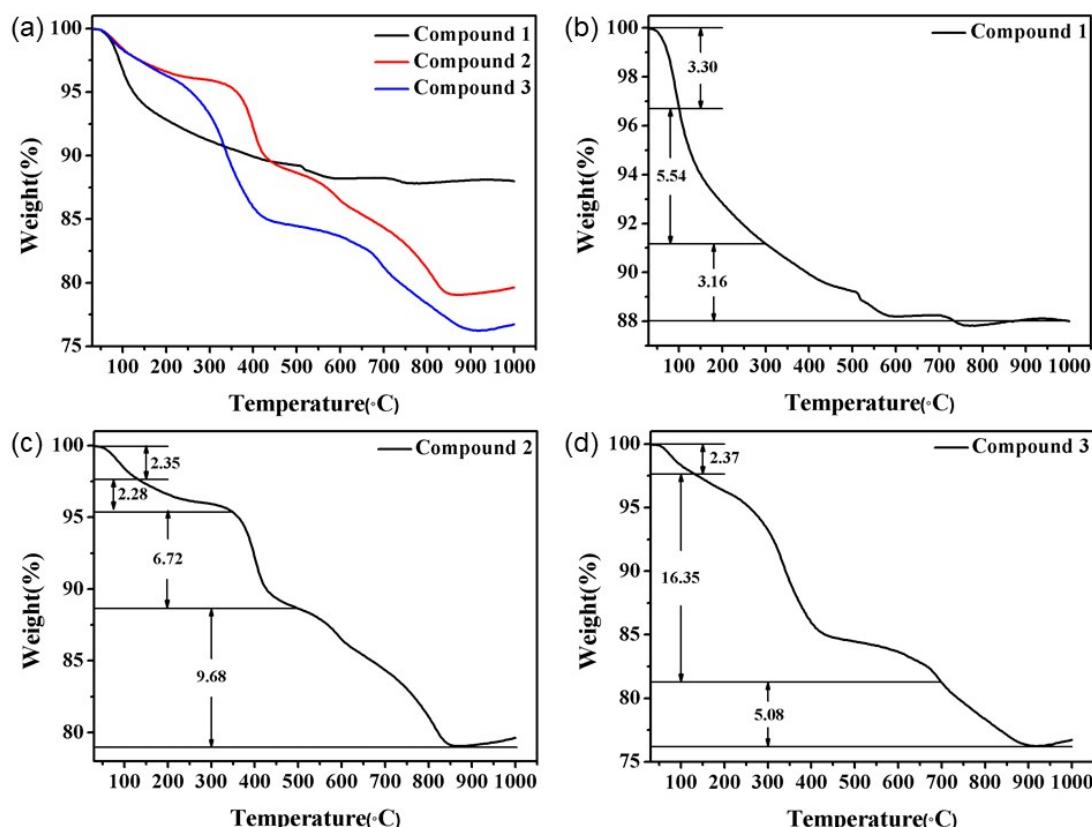


**Fig. S13** Experimental and simulated PXRD patterns of 2.



**Fig. S14** Experimental and simulated PXRD patterns of 3.

#### 4. TGA



**Fig. S15** The TG curve for **1–3**.

To investigate the thermal stability of **1–3**, the TG analyses were carried out under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere from 25 to 1000 °C at a heating rate of 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup> (Fig. S15). The TG curve of **1** shows three step weight loss processes (Fig. S15b). The first weight loss 3.30 (calcd 3.72 %) occurred in the range 30–100 °C is assigned to the release of 12 crystal water molecules. The second weight loss 5.54 (calcd 5.58 %) occurred in the range 100–300 °C belongs to 18 coordinated water molecules, following weight loss 3.16 in the range of 300–1000 °C is corresponded to the thermal decomposition of the main structure. The total weight loss of **1** is 11.99 %.

The TG curve of **2** shows four step weight loss processes (Fig. S15c). The first weight loss 2.35 (calcd 2.62 %) occurred in the range 30–130 °C is assigned to the release of 9 crystal water molecules. The second weight loss 2.28 (calcd 2.62 %) occurred in the range 130–350 °C belongs to 9 coordinated water molecules. The third weight loss 6.72 (calcd 6.80 %) in the range of 350–500 °C is corresponded to the decomposition of the organic ligands, following weight loss 9.68 in the range of 500–1000 °C is corresponded to the thermal decomposition of the main structure. The total weight loss of **2** is 21.03 %.

The TG curve of **3** shows three step weight loss processes (Fig. S15d). The first weight loss 2.37 (calcd 2.45 %) occurred in the range 30–130 °C is assigned to the release of 9 crystal water molecules. The second weight loss 16.35 (calcd 17.77 %) occurred in the range 130–700 °C belongs to 6 coordinated water molecules and the organic ligands. The third weight loss weight loss 5.08 in the range of 700–1000 °C is corresponded to the thermal decomposition of the main structure. The total weight loss of **3** is 23.80 %.

## 5. Nonlinear optical properties

Two-photon absorption (TPA) value containing TPA coefficient  $\beta$  and cross section  $\sigma$  were obtained through the open-aperture Z-scan technique femtosecond laser pulse and a Ti:95 sapphire system. The open-aperture Z-scan experiments of **1-3** and precursors ( $\text{Na}_{10}[\alpha\text{-SiW}_9\text{O}_{34}] \cdot 18\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , **SiW<sub>9</sub>**;  $\text{Na}_9[\text{A-}\alpha\text{-PW}_9\text{O}_{34}] \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , **PW<sub>9</sub>**) were performed at the concentration of  $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup> by employing the DMSO (DMSO = dimethyl sulfoxide) as solvent. The Figure 10 show the Z-scan curve, the red circles are the data of experiment and the solid line is the simulated curve modified under following equations (1) and (2)<sup>1-3</sup>:

$$T(z, s=1) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{[-q_0(z)]^m}{(m+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \quad (1)$$

$$q_0(z) = \frac{\beta I_0 L_{\text{eff}}}{1 + x^2} \quad (2)$$

Where  $z$  is the sample position,  $I_0$  is the input intensity of laser beam where  $z=0$ .  $L_{\text{eff}} = (1 - e^{-\alpha L})/\alpha$  is the effective length while  $\alpha$  and  $L$  are the linear absorption coefficient and the sample length respectively.

Then the molecular TPA cross section  $\sigma$  can be deduced through using equation (3)<sup>4-6</sup>:

$$\sigma = h\nu\beta / N_A d \times 10^{-3} \quad (3)$$

In which the  $N_A$ ,  $d$  and  $h$  represent the Avogadro's constant, Planck's constant and the frequency of input intensity respectively.

**Table S1** The third-order NLO data of reported relevant compounds

Compounds	$\beta^a$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> ·GM <sup>-1</sup> )	$\sigma^b$ (GM)	Ref.
<b>2</b>	0.035	1552	This work
<b>3</b>	0.039	1843	This work
$[\text{Ni}(\text{NTB}^\circ)(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2(\text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{Mo}_5\text{O}_{23}) \cdot 9.25\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.001655	758	7
$[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})(\text{NTB})]_2(\text{PMo}^{\text{VI}}_{11}\text{Mo}^{\text{V}}\text{O}_{40}) \cdot 4.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.001127	404	7
$[\text{Ni}(\text{NTB})]_2(\text{Mo}_8\text{O}_{26}) \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.015925	673	7
$[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]\{[\text{C}_3\text{H}_4\text{N}_2]_2[\text{C}_5\text{NH}_5]_{14}[\text{H}_{15}(\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_4)_8\text{Co}_{16}(\text{PO}_4)_{14}-(\text{HPO}_3)_{10}(\text{OH})_3]\} \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.01375	622	8
$[\text{C}_3\text{H}_5\text{N}_2]_4[\text{C}_5\text{NH}_5]_2[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]\{[\text{C}_3\text{H}_4\text{N}_2]_2[\text{C}_5\text{NH}_5]_{14}[\text{H}_{18}(\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_4)_8-\text{Ni}_{16}(\text{PO}_4)_{22}(\text{OH})_6]\} \cdot 11\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.0056	247	8
$[\text{C}_5\text{NH}_5]_8[\text{C}_3\text{H}_5\text{N}_2]_2\{[\text{C}_5\text{NH}_5]_9[\text{H}_{31}\text{Mo}_{12}\text{O}_{24}\text{Co}_{12}(\text{PO}_4)_{23}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\} \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.00263	1058	9
(diimine)platinum(II) complex bearing 2-(benzothiazol-2'-yl)-9,9-diethyl-7-ethynylfluorene ligands	-	1000	10
$\text{Na}_2[(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH}_2]_3\{\text{Na} \subset [\text{Ce}^{\text{III}}(\text{H}_2\text{O})(\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH})(\text{L-tartH}_3)(\text{H}_2\text{Si}_2\text{W}_{19}\text{O}_{66})]\} \cdot 3.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (L-1)	0.00279	392	11
$[(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH}_2]_7\{\text{Na} \subset [\text{Ce}^{\text{III}}(\text{H}_2\text{O})(\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH})(\text{D-tartH}_3)(\text{Si}_2\text{W}_{19}\text{O}_{66})]\} \cdot 2.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (D-1)	0.01369	389	11

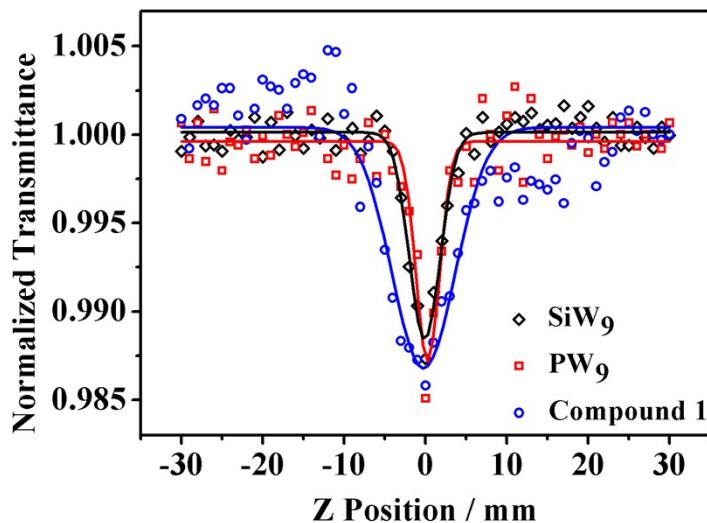
<sup>a</sup> the TPA absorption coefficient of the solution.

<sup>b</sup> the molecular TPA cross-section.

<sup>c</sup> NTB = tris(2-benzimidazylmethyl)amine

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**Fig. S16** Open aperture Z-scan data for **1** and precursors (**SiW<sub>9</sub>** and **PW<sub>9</sub>**). The dots are the experimental data and the solid curve represents the theoretical data.

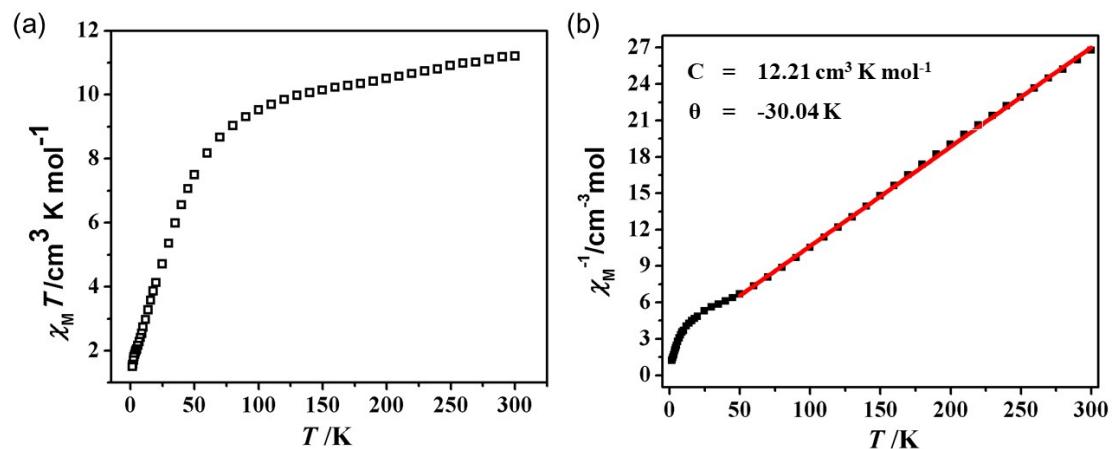
**Table S2** The Two-photon absorption (TPA) data

Compounds	$\beta^a$ (cm·GM <sup>-1</sup> )	$\sigma^b$ (GM)
<b>1</b>	0.00117	458
<b>2</b>	0.035	1552
<b>3</b>	0.039	1843
Na <sub>10</sub> [ $\alpha$ -SiW <sub>9</sub> O <sub>34</sub> ]·18H <sub>2</sub> O( <b>SiW<sub>9</sub></b> )	0.00098	429
Na <sub>9</sub> [A- $\alpha$ -PW <sub>9</sub> O <sub>34</sub> ]·7H <sub>2</sub> O( <b>SiW<sub>9</sub></b> )	0.00110	484

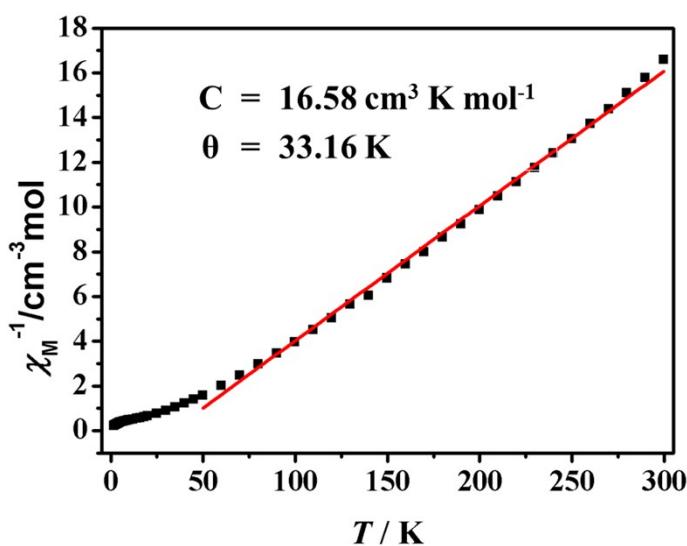
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<sup>b</sup> the molecular TPA cross-section.

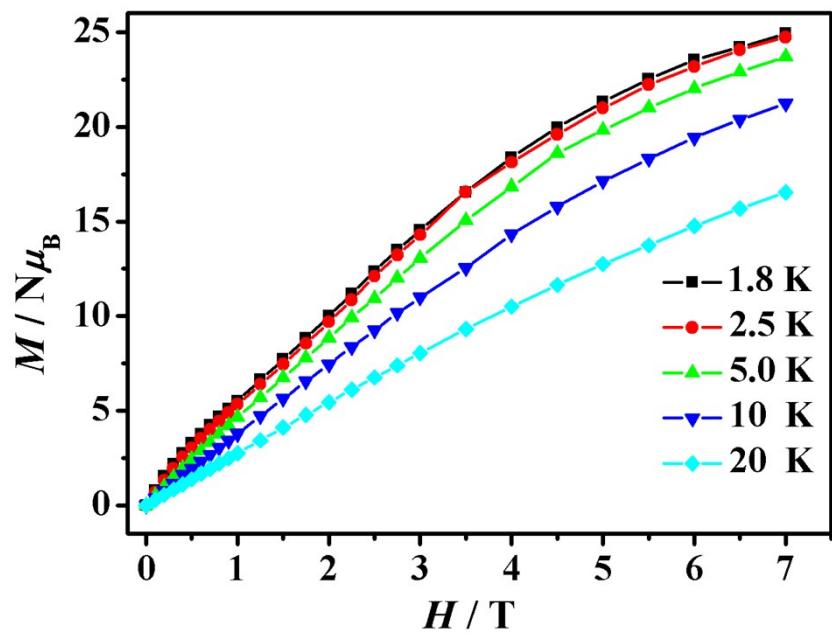
## 6. Magnetic property



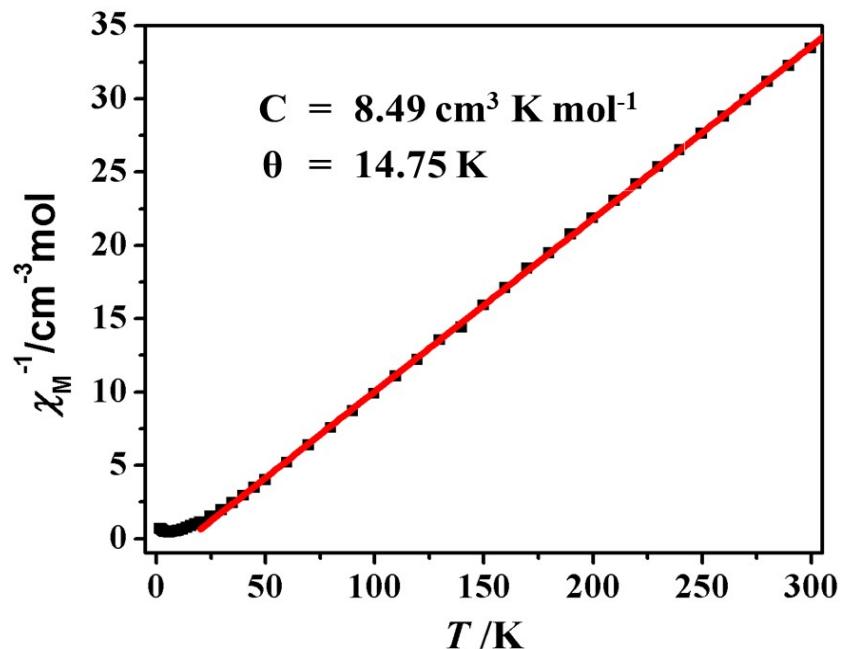
**Fig. S17** (a) Plot of  $\chi_M T$  vs  $T$  for **1**; (b) Temperature dependence of  $1/\chi_M$  for compound **1**, the solid line is the best-fit line according to the Curie-Weiss law.



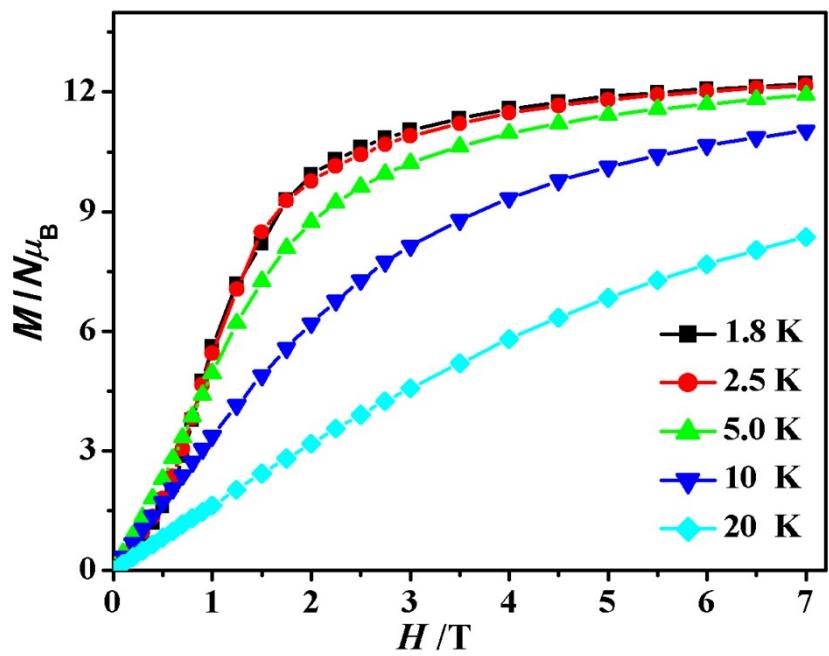
**Fig. S18** Temperature dependence of  $1/\chi_M$  for compound **2**; the solid line is the best-fit line according to the Curie-Weiss law.



**Fig. S19** Plot of  $M / N\mu_B$  vs  $H$  of **2**.



**Fig. S20** Temperature dependence of  $1/\chi_M$  for compound **3**; the solid line is the best-fit line according to the Curie-Weiss law.



**Fig. S21** Plot of  $M/N\mu_B$  vs  $H$  per  $\text{Ni}_6$  unit of **3**.

## 7. Selected bond distances and angles

**Table S3** Selected bond lengths for compound **1** (Å).

Ni(1)-O(28)	2.014(16)	Ni(2)-O(6)	2.030(16)	Ni(5)-O(3)	2.019(16)
Ni(1)-O(31)	2.029(16)	Ni(2)-O(28)	2.034(15)	Ni(5)-O(28)	2.039(16)
Ni(1)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	2.036(15)	Ni(2)-O(7W)	2.064(18)	Ni(5)-O(27)	2.060(15)
Ni(1)-O(11) <sup>#1</sup>	2.046(15)	Ni(2)-O(2W)	2.070(16)	Ni(5)-O(7)	2.071(16)
Ni(1)-O(7)	2.132(17)	Ni(2)-O(11) <sup>#1</sup>	2.096(16)	Ni(5)-O(5W)	2.096(17)
Ni(1)-O(1)	2.245(17)	Ni(2)-O(27)	2.110(16)	Ni(5)-O(10)	2.101(16)
Ni(3)-O(31)	1.988(16)	Ni(4)-O(3)	2.036(15)	Ni(6)-O(3)	2.014(16)
Ni(3)-O(22)	2.052(17)	Ni(4)-O(6W)	2.049(17)	Ni(6)-O(18)	2.039(16)
Ni(3)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	2.061(15)	Ni(4)-O(31)	2.062(17)	Ni(6)-O(1W)	2.059(18)
Ni(3)-O(9W)	2.072(19)	Ni(4)-O(7)	2.062(16)	Ni(6)-O(4W)	2.064(18)
Ni(3)-O(13)	2.074(18)	Ni(4)-O(13)	2.081(16)	Ni(6)-O(3W)	2.076(16)
Ni(3)-O(8W)	2.081(18)	Ni(4)-O(18)	2.084(17)	Ni(6)-O(10)	2.136(15)

Symmetry codes: #1 -x, -y+1, -z+1.

**Table S4** Selected bond angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) for compound **1**.

O(28)-Ni(1)-O(31)	94.1(6)	O(6)-Ni(2)-O(28)	90.9(6)	O(31)-Ni(3)-O(22)	90.2(7)
O(28)-Ni(1)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	172.1(7)	O(6)-Ni(2)-O(7W)	93.1(7)	O(31)-Ni(3)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	81.8(6)
O(31)-Ni(1)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	81.4(6)	O(28)-Ni(2)-O(7W)	93.2(7)	O(22)-Ni(3)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	86.3(6)
O(28)-Ni(1)-O(11) <sup>#1</sup>	84.2(6)	O(6)-Ni(2)-O(2W)	90.2(7)	O(31)-Ni(3)-O(9W)	91.7(7)
O(31)-Ni(1)-O(11) <sup>#1</sup>	174.0(7)	O(28)-Ni(2)-O(2W)	178.9(7)	O(22)-Ni(3)-O(9W)	93.1(8)
O(2) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(1)-O(11) <sup>#1</sup>	99.5(6)	O(7W)-Ni(2)-O(2W)	86.8(8)	O(2) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(3)-O(9W)	173.4(7)
O(28)-Ni(1)-O(7)	82.2(6)	O(6)-Ni(2)-O(11) <sup>#1</sup>	87.2(6)	O(31)-Ni(3)-O(13)	84.4(7)
O(31)-Ni(1)-O(7)	83.9(7)	O(28)-Ni(2)-O(11) <sup>#1</sup>	82.4(6)	O(22)-Ni(3)-O(13)	168.7(7)
O(2) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(1)-O(7)	90.8(6)	O(7W)-Ni(2)-O(11) <sup>#1</sup>	175.6(7)	O(2) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(3)-O(13)	83.2(7)
O(11) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(1)-O(7)	90.2(6)	O(2W)-Ni(2)-O(11) <sup>#1</sup>	97.6(7)	O(9W)-Ni(3)-O(13)	96.9(8)
O(28)-Ni(1)-O(1)	97.8(6)	O(6)-Ni(2)-O(27)	171.7(6)	O(31)-Ni(3)-O(8W)	176.9(7)
O(31)-Ni(1)-O(1)	96.7(6)	O(28)-Ni(2)-O(27)	83.8(6)	O(22)-Ni(3)-O(8W)	91.3(7)
O(2) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(1)-O(1)	89.2(6)	O(7W)-Ni(2)-O(27)	93.6(7)	O(2) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(3)-O(8W)	101.0(7)
O(11) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(1)-O(1)	89.3(6)	O(2W)-Ni(2)-O(27)	95.1(7)	O(9W)-Ni(3)-O(8W)	85.5(8)
O(7)-Ni(1)-O(1)	179.5(6)	O(11) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(2)-O(27)	85.8(6)	O(13)-Ni(3)-O(8W)	94.6(7)
O(3)-Ni(4)-O(6W)	94.6(7)	O(3)-Ni(5)-O(28)	97.4(6)	O(3)-Ni(6)-O(18)	82.3(7)
O(3)-Ni(4)-O(31)	99.2(6)	O(3)-Ni(5)-O(27)	175.0(6)	O(3)-Ni(6)-O(1W)	176.7(7)
O(6W)-Ni(4)-O(31)	93.5(7)	O(28)-Ni(5)-O(27)	85.0(6)	O(18)-Ni(6)-O(1W)	95.7(7)
O(3)-Ni(4)-O(7)	84.8(6)	O(3)-Ni(5)-O(7)	84.9(6)	O(3)-Ni(6)-O(4W)	97.7(7)
O(6W)-Ni(4)-O(7)	178.1(7)	O(28)-Ni(5)-O(7)	83.1(6)	O(18)-Ni(6)-O(4W)	177.5(7)
O(31)-Ni(4)-O(7)	84.9(6)	O(27)-Ni(5)-O(7)	91.0(6)	O(1W)-Ni(6)-O(4W)	84.2(7)
O(3)-Ni(4)-O(13)	174.8(6)	O(3)-Ni(5)-O(5W)	93.9(6)	O(3)-Ni(6)-O(3W)	94.4(7)
O(6W)-Ni(4)-O(13)	90.3(7)	O(28)-Ni(5)-O(5W)	93.1(7)	O(18)-Ni(6)-O(3W)	89.6(7)
O(31)-Ni(4)-O(13)	82.4(7)	O(27)-Ni(5)-O(5W)	90.3(6)	O(1W)-Ni(6)-O(3W)	88.1(7)
O(7)-Ni(4)-O(13)	90.5(6)	O(7)-Ni(5)-O(5W)	175.9(7)	O(4W)-Ni(6)-O(3W)	92.9(8)
O(3)-Ni(4)-O(18)	80.7(6)	O(3)-Ni(5)-O(10)	81.8(6)	O(3)-Ni(6)-O(10)	81.1(6)
O(6W)-Ni(4)-O(18)	92.2(7)	O(28)-Ni(5)-O(10)	174.0(6)	O(18)-Ni(6)-O(10)	83.3(6)
O(31)-Ni(4)-O(18)	174.3(6)	O(27)-Ni(5)-O(10)	95.3(6)	O(1W)-Ni(6)-O(10)	96.1(6)
O(7)-Ni(4)-O(18)	89.5(6)	O(7)-Ni(5)-O(10)	90.8(6)	O(4W)-Ni(6)-O(10)	94.3(7)
O(13)-Ni(4)-O(18)	97.1(7)	O(5W)-Ni(5)-O(10)	92.9(7)	O(3W)-Ni(6)-O(10)	172.0(7)
Ni(1) <sup>#1</sup> -O(2)-Ni(3) <sup>#1</sup>	96.7(6)	Ni(5)-O(10)-Ni(6)	95.1(6)	Ni(1)-O(28)-Ni(5)	99.7(6)
Ni(6)-O(3)-Ni(5)	101.6(7)	Ni(1) <sup>#1</sup> -O(11)-Ni(2) <sup>#1</sup>	94.8(6)	Ni(2)-O(28)-Ni(5)	96.6(6)
Ni(6)-O(3)-Ni(4)	99.0(7)	Ni(3)-O(13)-Ni(4)	94.3(7)	Ni(3)-O(31)-Ni(1)	99.4(7)
Ni(5)-O(3)-Ni(4)	96.2(6)	Ni(6)-O(18)-Ni(4)	96.6(7)	Ni(3)-O(31)-Ni(4)	97.6(7)
Ni(4)-O(7)-Ni(5)	93.8(7)	Ni(5)-O(27)-Ni(2)	93.7(6)	Ni(1)-O(31)-Ni(4)	97.2(7)
Ni(4)-O(7)-Ni(1)	94.0(6)	Ni(1)-O(28)-Ni(2)	97.7(7)	Ni(5)-O(7)-Ni(1)	94.9(7)

Symmetry codes: #1 -x,-y+1,-z+1.

**Table S5** Selected bond lengths for compound **2** (Å).

Ni(1)-O(4)	1.998(8)	Ni(3)-O(1)	2.017(8)	Ni(5)-O(8)	2.006(9)
Ni(1)-O(1)	2.007(9)	Ni(3)-N(2)	2.056(10)	Ni(5)-O(4)	2.038(8)
Ni(1)-O(14)	2.052(8)	Ni(3)-O(21) <sup>#1</sup>	2.075(9)	Ni(5)-O(22)	2.065(8)
Ni(1)-O(17)	2.069(8)	Ni(3)-N(1)	2.076(11)	Ni(5)-O(28)	2.069(8)
Ni(1)-O(12)	2.125(8)	Ni(3)-O(23)	2.111(8)	Ni(5)-O(12)	2.093(8)
Ni(1)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	2.250(8)	Ni(3)-O(14)	2.147(8)	Ni(5)-O(1W)	2.110(8)
Ni(2)-O(4)	1.982(8)	Ni(4)-O(8)	2.006(8)	Ni(6)-O(1)	2.028(8)
Ni(2)-O(6) <sup>#1</sup>	2.062(8)	Ni(4)-N(4)	2.050(11)	Ni(6)-O(8)	2.041(8)
Ni(2)-O(13)	2.073(8)	Ni(4)-N(3)	2.062(11)	Ni(6)-O(30)	2.055(8)
Ni(2)-O(28)	2.077(8)	Ni(4)-O(3W)	2.111(10)	Ni(6)-O(23)	2.081(9)
Ni(2)-O(17)	2.079(8)	Ni(4)-O(30)	2.124(8)	Ni(6)-O(12)	2.083(8)
Ni(2)-O(10)	2.103(9)	Ni(4)-O(22)	2.149(8)	Ni(6)-O(2W)	2.117(9)
Ni(7)-N(6)	2.075(18)	Ni(7)-O(4W)	2.082(18)	Ni(7)-O(9W)	2.116(18)
Ni(7)-O(10W)	2.141(18)	Ni(7)-O(26)	2.179(10)	Ni(7)-N(5)	2.24(3)

Symmetry codes: #1 -x+1/2, -y+1/2, -z.

**Table S6** Selected bond angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) for compound 2.

O(4)-Ni(1)-O(1)	95.3(3)	O(4)-Ni(2)-O(6) <sup>#1</sup>	92.0(3)	O(1)-Ni(3)-N(2)	95.2(4)
O(4)-Ni(1)-O(14)	172.7(3)	O(4)-Ni(2)-O(13)	102.0(3)	O(1)-Ni(3)-O(21) <sup>#1</sup>	88.4(3)
O(1)-Ni(1)-O(14)	83.0(3)	O(6) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(2)-O(13)	99.2(3)	N(2)-Ni(3)-O(21) <sup>#1</sup>	94.1(4)
O(4)-Ni(1)-O(17)	83.1(3)	O(4)-Ni(2)-O(28)	84.9(3)	O(1)-Ni(3)-N(1)	178.7(4)
O(1)-Ni(1)-O(17)	172.6(3)	O(6) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(2)-O(28)	174.6(3)	N(2)-Ni(3)-N(1)	85.4(4)
O(14)-Ni(1)-O(17)	97.6(3)	O(13)-Ni(2)-O(28)	85.8(3)	O(21) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(3)-N(1)	92.8(4)
O(4)-Ni(1)-O(12)	83.7(3)	O(4)-Ni(2)-O(17)	83.2(3)	O(1)-Ni(3)-O(23)	83.4(3)
O(1)-Ni(1)-O(12)	82.7(3)	O(6) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(2)-O(17)	89.2(3)	N(2)-Ni(3)-O(23)	95.1(4)
O(14)-Ni(1)-O(12)	89.1(3)	O(13)-Ni(2)-O(17)	169.9(3)	O(21) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(3)-O(23)	168.2(3)
O(17)-Ni(1)-O(12)	89.9(3)	O(28)-Ni(2)-O(17)	86.0(3)	N(1)-Ni(3)-O(23)	95.4(4)
O(4)-Ni(1)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	95.2(3)	O(4)-Ni(2)-O(10)	165.4(3)	O(1)-Ni(3)-O(14)	80.4(3)
O(1)-Ni(1)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	98.9(3)	O(6) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(2)-O(10)	91.7(3)	N(2)-Ni(3)-O(14)	175.5(4)
O(14)-Ni(1)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	92.1(3)	O(13)-Ni(2)-O(10)	63.5(3)	O(21) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(3)-O(14)	86.5(3)
O(17)-Ni(1)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	88.5(3)	O(28)-Ni(2)-O(10)	92.5(3)	N(1)-Ni(3)-O(14)	99.0(4)
O(12)-Ni(1)-O(2) <sup>#1</sup>	178.1(3)	O(17)-Ni(2)-O(10)	110.9(3)	O(23)-Ni(3)-O(14)	83.7(3)
O(8)-Ni(4)-N(4)	177.8(4)	O(8)-Ni(5)-O(4)	97.4(3)	O(1)-Ni(6)-O(8)	96.0(3)
O(8)-Ni(4)-N(3)	96.5(4)	O(8)-Ni(5)-O(22)	83.1(3)	O(1)-Ni(6)-O(30)	175.6(3)
N(4)-Ni(4)-N(3)	83.9(4)	O(4)-Ni(5)-O(22)	175.1(3)	O(8)-Ni(6)-O(30)	82.8(3)
O(8)-Ni(4)-O(3W)	92.3(4)	O(8)-Ni(5)-O(28)	175.5(3)	O(1)-Ni(6)-O(23)	83.9(3)
N(4)-Ni(4)-O(3W)	89.8(4)	O(4)-Ni(5)-O(28)	83.7(3)	O(8)-Ni(6)-O(23)	176.6(4)
N(3)-Ni(4)-O(3W)	94.6(4)	O(22)-Ni(5)-O(28)	95.4(3)	O(30)-Ni(6)-O(23)	97.0(3)
O(8)-Ni(4)-O(30)	82.0(3)	O(8)-Ni(5)-O(12)	85.2(3)	O(1)-Ni(6)-O(12)	83.3(3)
N(4)-Ni(4)-O(30)	97.4(4)	O(4)-Ni(5)-O(12)	83.5(3)	O(8)-Ni(6)-O(12)	84.6(3)
N(3)-Ni(4)-O(30)	176.4(4)	O(22)-Ni(5)-O(12)	91.6(3)	O(30)-Ni(6)-O(12)	92.3(3)
O(3W)-Ni(4)-O(30)	88.7(4)	O(28)-Ni(5)-O(12)	90.5(3)	O(23)-Ni(6)-O(12)	91.9(3)
O(8)-Ni(4)-O(22)	81.0(3)	O(8)-Ni(5)-O(1W)	97.1(3)	O(1)-Ni(6)-O(2W)	96.0(4)
N(4)-Ni(4)-O(22)	96.8(4)	O(4)-Ni(5)-O(1W)	91.3(3)	O(8)-Ni(6)-O(2W)	93.7(4)
N(3)-Ni(4)-O(22)	92.2(4)	O(22)-Ni(5)-O(1W)	93.5(3)	O(30)-Ni(6)-O(2W)	88.3(4)
O(3W)-Ni(4)-O(22)	170.9(4)	O(28)-Ni(5)-O(1W)	87.2(3)	O(23)-Ni(6)-O(2W)	89.8(4)
O(30)-Ni(4)-O(22)	84.3(3)	O(12)-Ni(5)-O(1W)	174.6(3)	O(12)-Ni(6)-O(2W)	178.1(3)
Ni(1)-O(1)-Ni(3)	100.4(4)	Ni(4)-O(8)-Ni(6)	99.3(4)	Ni(5)-O(22)-Ni(4)	94.3(3)
Ni(1)-O(1)-Ni(6)	99.7(4)	Ni(5)-O(8)-Ni(6)	97.0(3)	Ni(6)-O(23)-Ni(3)	93.6(3)
Ni(3)-O(1)-Ni(6)	98.1(3)	Ni(6)-O(12)-Ni(5)	93.1(3)	Ni(5)-O(28)-Ni(2)	93.3(3)
Ni(2)-O(4)-Ni(1)	99.2(3)	Ni(6)-O(12)-Ni(1)	94.3(3)	Ni(6)-O(30)-Ni(4)	95.1(3)
Ni(2)-O(4)-Ni(5)	97.2(4)	Ni(5)-O(12)-Ni(1)	93.5(3)	Ni(4)-O(8)-Ni(5)	100.8(4)
Ni(1)-O(4)-Ni(5)	99.2(3)	Ni(1)-O(14)-Ni(3)	94.8(3)	Ni(1)-O(17)-Ni(2)	93.8(3)

Symmetry codes: #1 -x+1/2, -y+1/2, -z.

**Table S7** Selected bond lengths for compound **3** (Å).

Ni(1)-O(10)	2.042(11)	Ni(3)-O(5)	2.032(11)	Ni(5)-O(12)	2.010(11)
Ni(1)-N(6)	2.063(15)	Ni(3)-O(12)	2.032(11)	Ni(5)-N(4)	2.030(15)
Ni(1)-O(15) <sup>#1</sup>	2.082(12)	Ni(3)-O(8)	2.045(13)	Ni(5)-O(23)	2.104(12)
Ni(1)-O(21)	2.092(11)	Ni(3)-O(23)	2.047(12)	Ni(5)-O(4W)	2.117(13)
Ni(1)-O(30)	2.097(12)	Ni(3)-O(2)	2.065(11)	Ni(5)-O(5W)	2.132(13)
Ni(1)-O(3W)	2.170(12)	Ni(3)-O(11)	2.147(11)	Ni(5)-O(9)	2.144(11)
Ni(2)-O(5)	1.998(11)	Ni(4)-O(12)	2.022(11)	Ni(6)-O(5)	2.030(12)
Ni(2)-O(21)	2.049(11)	Ni(4)-O(30)	2.053(12)	Ni(6)-N(1)	2.079(17)
Ni(2)-O(10)	2.066(12)	Ni(4)-O(10)	2.058(12)	Ni(6)-O(2)	2.082(11)
Ni(2)-N(2)	2.070(16)	Ni(4)-N(5)	2.062(14)	Ni(6)-O(27)	2.082(15)
Ni(2)-O(31)	2.106(12)	Ni(4)-O(9)	2.108(12)	Ni(6)-N(3)	2.100(15)
Ni(2)-O(11)	2.251(11)	Ni(4)-O(11)	2.223(11)	Ni(6)-O(31)	2.372(12)

Symmetry codes: #1 -x+1, -y+1, -z+1.

**Table S8** Selected bond angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) for compound 3.

O(10)-Ni(1)-N(6)	98.1(5)	O(5)-Ni(3)-O(12)	94.0(5)	O(12)-Ni(5)-N(4)	98.3(6)
O(10)-Ni(1)-O(15) <sup>#1</sup>	171.9(4)	O(5)-Ni(3)-O(8)	91.7(5)	O(12)-Ni(5)-O(23)	81.8(5)
N(6)-Ni(1)-O(15) <sup>#1</sup>	89.1(5)	O(12)-Ni(3)-O(8)	92.7(4)	N(4)-Ni(5)-O(23)	178.8(6)
O(10)-Ni(1)-O(21)	81.1(4)	O(5)-Ni(3)-O(23)	173.7(5)	O(12)-Ni(5)-O(4W)	173.2(5)
N(6)-Ni(1)-O(21)	174.9(5)	O(12)-Ni(3)-O(23)	82.7(5)	N(4)-Ni(5)-O(4W)	88.5(6)
O(15) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(1)-O(21)	92.0(4)	O(8)-Ni(3)-O(23)	93.8(5)	O(23)-Ni(5)-O(4W)	91.4(5)
O(10)-Ni(1)-O(30)	81.0(5)	O(5)-Ni(3)-O(2)	84.8(5)	O(12)-Ni(5)-O(5W)	89.6(5)
N(6)-Ni(1)-O(30)	96.0(5)	O(12)-Ni(3)-O(2)	175.7(5)	N(4)-Ni(5)-O(5W)	94.2(6)
O(15) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(1)-O(30)	94.5(5)	O(8)-Ni(3)-O(2)	91.5(4)	O(23)-Ni(5)-O(5W)	87.0(5)
O(21)-Ni(1)-O(30)	88.9(4)	O(23)-Ni(3)-O(2)	98.1(5)	O(4W)-Ni(5)-O(5W)	89.1(6)
O(10)-Ni(1)-O(3W)	98.5(5)	O(5)-Ni(3)-O(11)	83.2(4)	O(12)-Ni(5)-O(9)	79.8(4)
N(6)-Ni(1)-O(3W)	86.4(5)	O(12)-Ni(3)-O(11)	82.6(4)	N(4)-Ni(5)-O(9)	92.6(6)
O(15) <sup>#1</sup> -Ni(1)-O(3W)	85.7(5)	O(8)-Ni(3)-O(11)	172.7(4)	O(23)-Ni(5)-O(9)	86.2(5)
O(21)-Ni(1)-O(3W)	88.6(5)	O(23)-Ni(3)-O(11)	91.1(5)	O(4W)-Ni(5)-O(9)	100.8(5)
O(30)-Ni(1)-O(3W)	177.5(5)	O(2)-Ni(3)-O(11)	93.2(4)	O(5W)-Ni(5)-O(9)	168.1(5)
O(5)-Ni(2)-O(21)	169.8(5)	O(12)-Ni(4)-O(30)	169.7(5)	O(5)-Ni(6)-N(1)	95.9(6)
O(5)-Ni(2)-O(10)	95.0(5)	O(12)-Ni(4)-O(10)	97.6(4)	O(5)-Ni(6)-O(2)	84.4(4)
O(21)-Ni(2)-O(10)	81.6(4)	O(30)-Ni(4)-O(10)	81.6(5)	N(1)-Ni(6)-O(2)	168.6(6)
O(5)-Ni(2)-N(2)	97.9(6)	O(12)-Ni(4)-N(5)	97.4(5)	O(5)-Ni(6)-O(27)	84.8(5)
O(21)-Ni(2)-N(2)	92.0(6)	O(30)-Ni(4)-N(5)	92.9(5)	N(1)-Ni(6)-O(27)	96.2(6)
O(10)-Ni(2)-N(2)	93.6(5)	O(10)-Ni(4)-N(5)	95.9(5)	O(2)-Ni(6)-O(27)	95.1(5)
O(5)-Ni(2)-O(31)	81.9(5)	O(12)-Ni(4)-O(9)	80.4(4)	O(5)-Ni(6)-N(3)	173.4(6)
O(21)-Ni(2)-O(31)	99.9(5)	O(30)-Ni(4)-O(9)	98.8(4)	N(1)-Ni(6)-N(3)	89.8(6)
O(10)-Ni(2)-O(31)	170.9(5)	O(10)-Ni(4)-O(9)	171.4(5)	O(2)-Ni(6)-N(3)	90.7(5)
N(2)-Ni(2)-O(31)	95.3(6)	N(5)-Ni(4)-O(9)	92.7(5)	O(27)-Ni(6)-N(3)	91.3(6)
O(5)-Ni(2)-O(11)	81.3(4)	O(12)-Ni(4)-O(11)	80.9(4)	O(5)-Ni(6)-O(31)	74.9(4)
O(21)-Ni(2)-O(11)	88.7(4)	O(30)-Ni(4)-O(11)	88.8(4)	N(1)-Ni(6)-O(31)	89.7(5)
O(10)-Ni(2)-O(11)	81.8(4)	O(10)-Ni(4)-O(11)	82.7(4)	O(2)-Ni(6)-O(31)	79.4(4)
N(2)-Ni(2)-O(11)	175.2(5)	N(5)-Ni(4)-O(11)	177.6(5)	O(27)-Ni(6)-O(31)	159.4(5)
O(31)-Ni(2)-O(11)	89.3(4)	O(9)-Ni(4)-O(11)	88.7(4)	N(3)-Ni(6)-O(31)	108.5(6)
Ni(3)-O(2)-Ni(6)	91.7(4)	Ni(1)-O(10)-Ni(2)	98.7(5)	Ni(5)-O(12)-Ni(3)	98.6(5)
Ni(2)-O(5)-Ni(6)	108.4(5)	Ni(4)-O(10)-Ni(2)	103.0(5)	Ni(4)-O(12)-Ni(3)	103.1(5)
Ni(2)-O(5)-Ni(3)	103.5(5)	Ni(3)-O(11)-Ni(4)	93.2(4)	Ni(2)-O(21)-Ni(1)	97.6(4)
Ni(6)-O(5)-Ni(3)	94.2(5)	Ni(3)-O(11)-Ni(2)	92.0(4)	Ni(3)-O(23)-Ni(5)	95.2(5)
Ni(4)-O(9)-Ni(5)	95.8(4)	Ni(4)-O(11)-Ni(2)	92.3(4)	Ni(4)-O(30)-Ni(1)	97.5(5)
Ni(1)-O(10)-Ni(4)	99.0(5)	Ni(5)-O(12)-Ni(4)	102.9(5)	Ni(2)-O(31)-Ni(6)	93.5(4)

Symmetry codes: #1 -x+1, -y+1, -z+1.

**Table S9** Hydrogen bonds for **2** [Å and °].

<b>D—H···A</b>	<b>D—H</b>	<b>H···A</b>	<b>D···A</b>	<b>D—H···A</b>
N1—H1C···O7	0.9	2.58	3.225(16)	129
N1—H1C···O29	0.9	2.45	3.167(15)	137
N1—H1D···O10 <sup>#1</sup>	0.9	2.06	2.951(15)	168
N2—H2D···O2W	0.9	2.26	3.066(16)	148
N3—H3C···O1W	0.9	2.45	3.260(16)	150
N4—H4B···O31	0.9	2.41	3.182(15)	143
N3—H3B···O7 <sup>#2</sup>	0.9	2.4	3.262(15)	161
N3—H3C···O29 <sup>#2</sup>	0.9	2.56	3.100(14)	119

Symmetry codes: #1 1/2-x, 1/2-y, -z; #2 1/2-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z.

**Table S10** Hydrogen bonds for **3** [Å and °].

<b>D—H···A</b>	<b>D—H</b>	<b>H···A</b>	<b>D···A</b>	<b>D—H···A</b>
C11—H11A···O16	0.93	2.39	3.32(3)	176
C15—H15A···O27	0.93	2.34	2.95(3)	123
C5—H5A···O24 <sup>#1</sup>	0.93	2.47	3.10(2)	125
C19—H19A···O3 <sup>#1</sup>	0.93	2.56	3.35(2)	143
C24—H24A···O29 <sup>#1</sup>	0.93	2.54	3.42(2)	158
C28—H28A···O25 <sup>#1</sup>	0.93	2.53	3.15(2)	124

Symmetry codes: #1 x, 3/2-y, -1/2+z.