

## Supporting information for

# The Influence of NCE<sup>-</sup> (E = S, Se, BH<sub>3</sub>) Ligands on the Temperature of Spin Crossover in a Family of Iron(II) Mononuclear Complexes

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**Table S1.** Crystal data and refinement details

	[FeL <sub>Cl</sub> (NCS) <sub>2</sub> ] ( <b>1-S</b> )	[FeL <sub>Cl</sub> (NCSe) <sub>2</sub> ] ( <b>1-Se</b> )	[FeL <sub>Cl</sub> (NCBH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ] ( <b>1-BH<sub>3</sub></b> )		
Temperature / K	123	123	298	123	298
Spin state	HS	LS	HS	LS	HS
Empirical formula	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>16</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> FeN <sub>6</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>16</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> FeN <sub>6</sub> Se <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>16</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> FeN <sub>6</sub> Se <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>22</sub> B <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> FeN <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>22</sub> B <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> FeN <sub>6</sub>
Formula weight / g mol <sup>-1</sup>	483.22	577.02	577.02	446.76	446.76
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic
Space group	Pbcn	Pbcn	Pbcn	Pbcn	Pbcn
a / Å	16.1129(14)	15.931(12)	16.384(6)	15.1811(6)	15.9885(7)
b / Å	9.5488(7)	9.285(7)	9.657(3)	9.6182(4)	9.8134(5)
c / Å	13.0274(9)	13.394(10)	13.344(4)	13.8167(6)	13.5420(7)
Volume / Å <sup>3</sup>	2004.4(3)	1981(2)	2111.3(12)	2016.31(15)	2124.76(18)
Z	4	4	4	4	4
ρ <sub>calc</sub> / mg mm <sup>-3</sup>	1.601	1.935	1.815	1.472	1.397
μ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.242	4.72	4.429	1.027	0.974
F(000)	984	1128	1128	920	920
Reflections collected	13936	28617	25370	78861	73854
Independent reflections	2045	2471	1901	2334	2459
R <sub>int</sub>	R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0951	R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0810	R <sub>int</sub> = 0.1034	R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0867	R <sub>int</sub> = 0.1130
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.062	1.022	1.035	1.083	1.026
Final R indexes <sup>a</sup> [I ≥ 2σ(I)]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0429 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0602	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0326 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0525	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0361 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0583	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0346 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0719	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0400 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0790
Final R indexes [all data]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0917 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0709	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0565 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0568	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0680 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0664	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0473 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0754	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0744 wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0907
Largest diff. peak/hole / eÅ <sup>-3</sup>	0.41/-0.51	0.49/-0.54	0.39/-0.40	0.73/-0.30	0.40/-0.37

**Table S2.** Selected bond lengths and structural parameters for **1**.

[FeL <sub>C</sub> (NCS) <sub>2</sub> ] ( <b>1-S</b> )		[FeL <sub>Cl</sub> (NCSe) <sub>2</sub> ] ( <b>1-Se</b> )		[FeL <sub>Cl</sub> (NCBH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ] ( <b>1-BH<sub>3</sub></b> )	
T / K	123	123	298	123	298
<b>Spin state</b>	HS	LS	HS	LS	HS
<b>Fe-N<sub>NCX</sub> / Å</b>	2.093(3)	1.934(3)	2.094(4)	1.940(16)	2.114(2)
<b>Fe-N<sub>pyridine</sub> / Å</b>	2.189(2)	1.979(3)	2.192(3)	1.966(16)	2.1871(19)
<b>Fe-N<sub>amine</sub> / Å</b>	2.240(2)	2.017(2)	2.226 (3)	2.014(16)	2.224(2)
<b>Fe-N<sub>average</sub> / Å</b>	2.17	1.98	2.17	1.97	2.18
<i>cis</i> N-Fe-N / °	74.70(9)- 101.14(15)	80.15(10)- 98.01(10)	74.82(12)- 100.92(12)	83.49 (7)- 95.60(6)	75.14(7)- 101.64(7)
<i>trans</i> N-Fe-N / °	163.56(9)- 174.28(13)	173.29(9)- 177.54(13)	164.22(14)- 174.63(17)	174.58(9)- 176.66(7)	164.45(8)- 175.96(10)
$\Sigma_{\text{Fe}} / ^\circ$	88.3(5)	60.4(6)	86.8(7)	42.7(4)	89.5(4)
$\Theta$	245.0(11)	169.1(11)	238.8(11)	110.4(8)	241.7(9)
N-C-S / °	178.6(3)	178.5(2)	178.5(4)	178.5(2)	178.7(3)
Fe-N-C <sub>NCS</sub> / °	162.6(2)	173.6(2)	163.9(4)	172.43(16)	165.7(2)

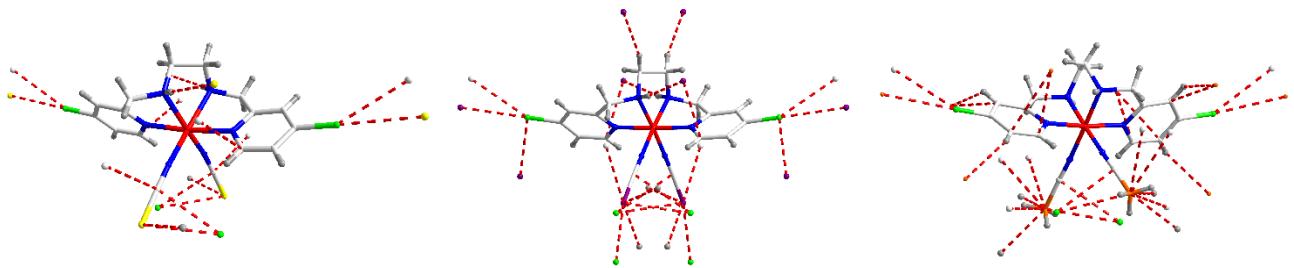
**Table S3.** Selected supramolecular interactions in **1-E** (E=S, Se, BH<sub>3</sub>).

	123K		298K	
<b>1-S</b>	Cl1-S1	3.372(13)	Cl1-Se1	3.529(16)
	H2-S1	2.6403(9)		
<b>1-Se</b>	Cl1-Se1	3.459(3)	H2-Se1	2.7465(8)
	H2-Se1	2.585(13)		
<b>1-BH<sub>3</sub></b>	Cl3-B1	3.454(2)	Cl1-B1	3.549(3)

H2-B1	3.129(2)	H2-B1	2.969(3)
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**Table S4.** Values of the Mössbauer hyperfine parameters, derived from the least-square fitting of the  $^{57}\text{Fe}$  Mössbauer spectra, where  $T$  is the temperature of the measurement,  $\delta$  is the isomer shift,  $\Delta E_Q$  is the quadrupole splitting,  $\Gamma$  is the linewidth, and RA is the spectral area of individual spectral components identified during spectra fitting.

Sample	$T$	Component	$\delta \pm 0.01$ (mm/s)	$\Delta E_Q \pm 0.01$ (mm/s)	$\Gamma \pm 0.01$ (mm/s)	RA $\pm 1$ (%)	Assignment
	(K)						
<b>1-S</b>	80	Doublet	1.11	1.79	0.27	100	Fe(II), $S = 2$
	300	Doublet	0.99	1.36	0.24	100	Fe(II), $S = 2$
<b>1-Se</b>	80	Doublet	0.50	0.19	0.28	100	Fe(II), $S = 0$
	300	Doublet	0.98	1.23	0.26	100	Fe(II), $S = 2$
<b>1-BH<sub>3</sub></b>	80	Doublet	0.47	0.17	0.27	100	Fe(II), $S = 0$
	300	Doublet	0.98	0.97	0.25	100	Fe(II), $S = 2$



**Fig. S1** Intermolecular interactions exhibited by an Fe(II) complex with neighboring molecules in **1-S** (left), **1-Se** (middle) and **1-BH<sub>3</sub>** (right).

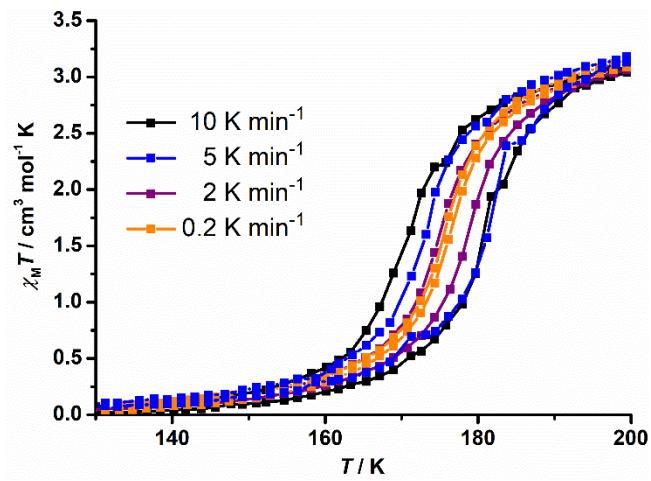


Fig. S2 Scan rate dependent hysteresis loops of  $\chi_M T$ - $T$  curves for **1-Se**.

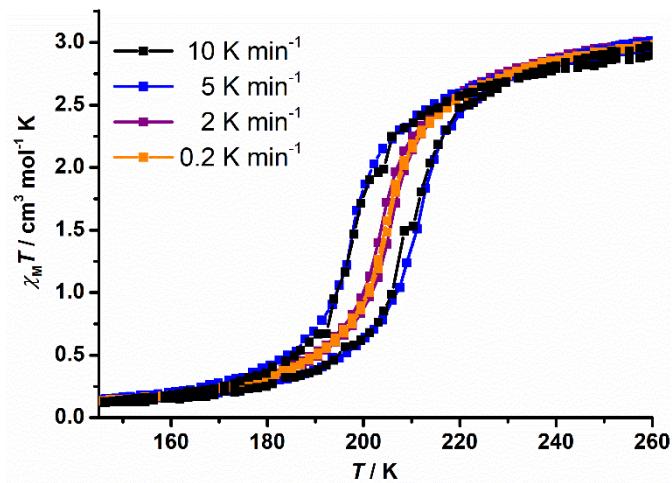
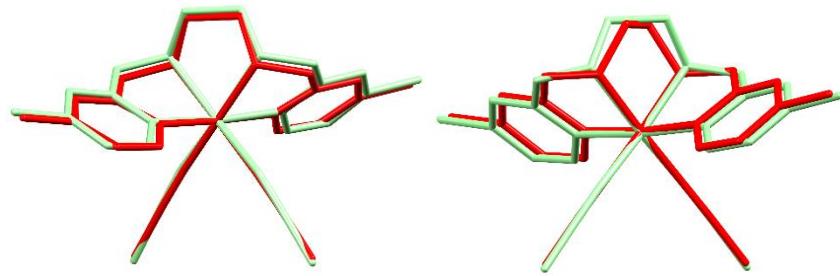
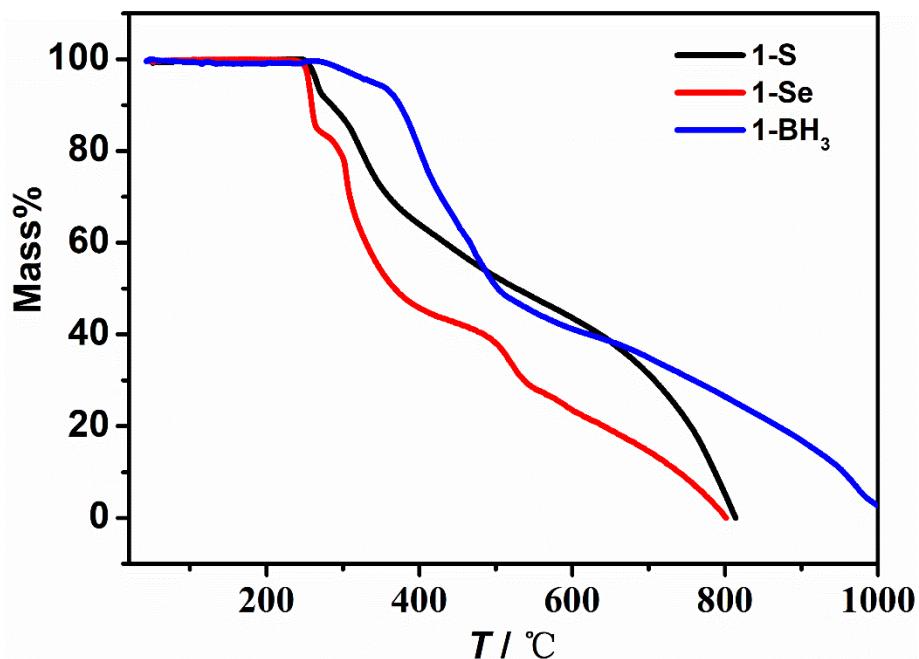


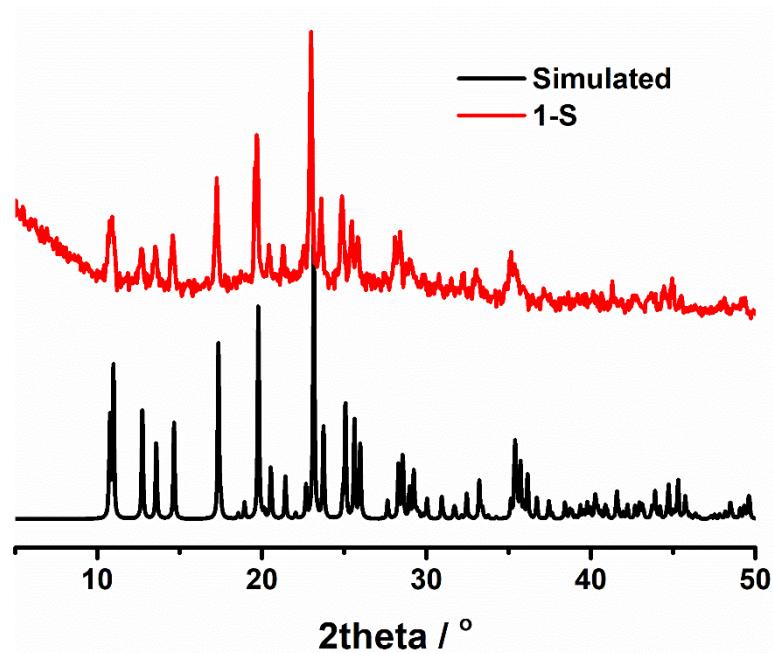
Fig. S3 Scan rate dependent hysteresis loops of  $\chi_M T$ - $T$  curves for **1-BH<sub>3</sub>**.



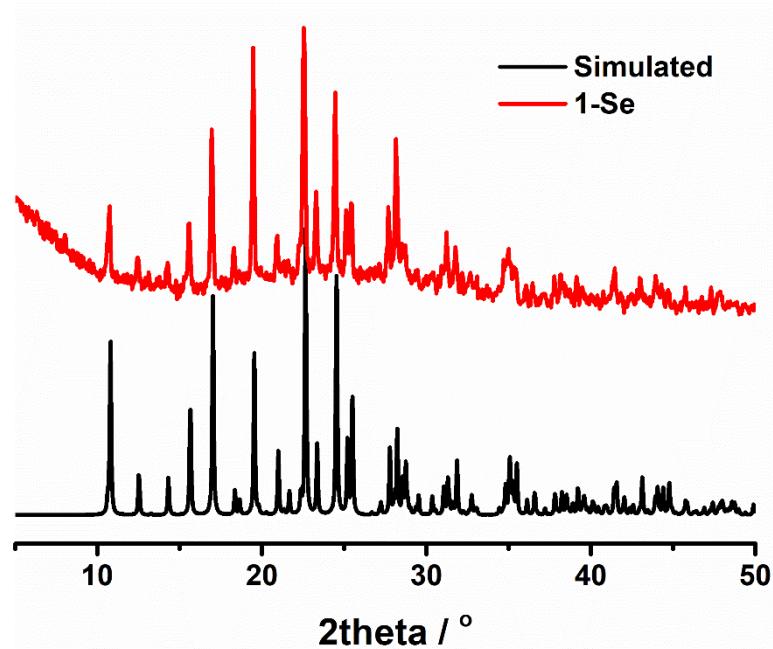
**Fig. S4** Overlay of the molecular structures of the Fe(II) complex at 123 K (LS state) and 298 K (HS state) in **1-Se** (left) and **1-BH<sub>3</sub>** (right).



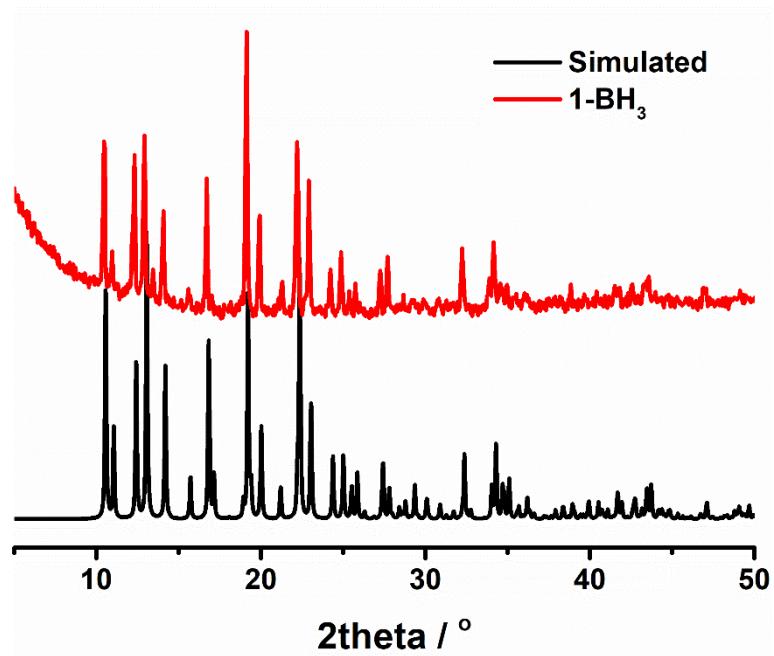
**Fig. S5** Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) curves for **1-E** (E=S, Se, BH<sub>3</sub>) at a 10 K min<sup>-1</sup> temperature rate under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere.



**Fig. S6** Experimental and simulated PXRD patterns of **1-S**.



**Fig. S7** Experimental and simulated PXRD patterns of **1-Se**.



**Fig. S8** Experimental and simulated PXRD patterns of **1-BH<sub>3</sub>**.