

Supporting Information for:

# Role of basic sites of substituted ferrocenes in interaction with the trinuclear 3,5- bis(trifluoromethyl)pyrazolates: thermodynamics and structure of complexes

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## IR spectroscopy

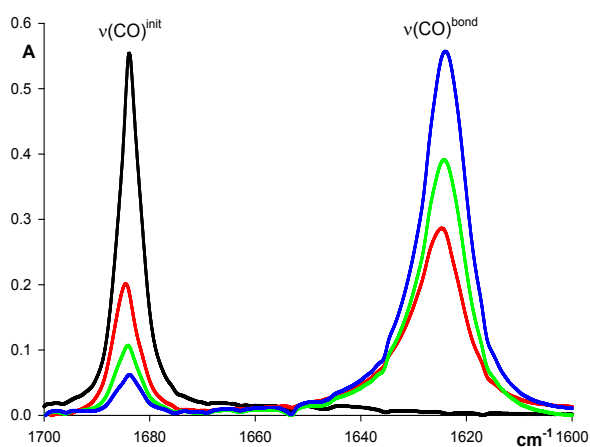


Figure S1: IR spectra in the  $\nu(\text{CO})$  range  $\text{FcC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$  (0.001 M, 230 K, black) and in the presence of  $[\text{AgL}]_3$  (0.001 M) in hexane at different temperatures: 290 K (red line), 260 K (green line), 240 K (blue line),  $d = 0.12$  cm.

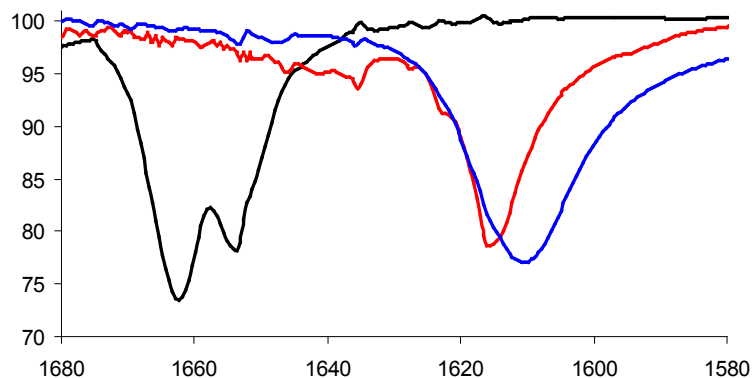


Figure S2 : The solid IR spectra in the  $\nu(\text{CO})$  range of the of  $\text{FcC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$  (black line) and it's crystals with  $[\text{AgL}]_3$  (red), with  $[\text{CuL}]_3$  (blue), nujol.

Table S1: IR spectral characteristics of the two bands in the range  $\nu(\text{CO})$  of  $\text{FcC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ .

$\nu \text{ cm}^{-1}$	Hexane	THF	$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$	$\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$
$\nu_1$	1688	1680	1672	1673
$\nu_2$	1674	1667	1660	1661
$D_2/D_1$	2.15 (290K)	1,56(290K) 1,34(190K)		

**NMR spectroscopy**

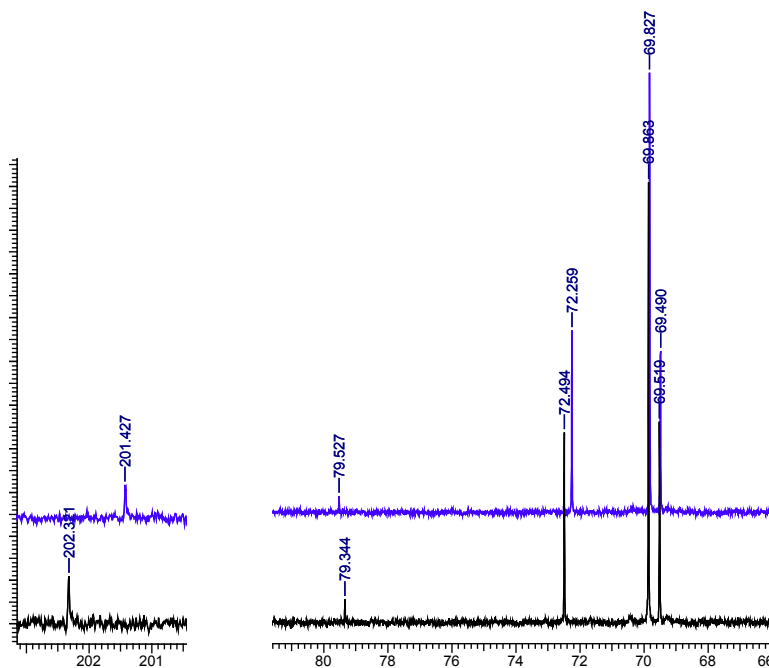


Figure S3:  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of  $\text{FcC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$  (297K blue line ) and in the presence of  $[\text{AgL}]_3$  (black line), DCM.

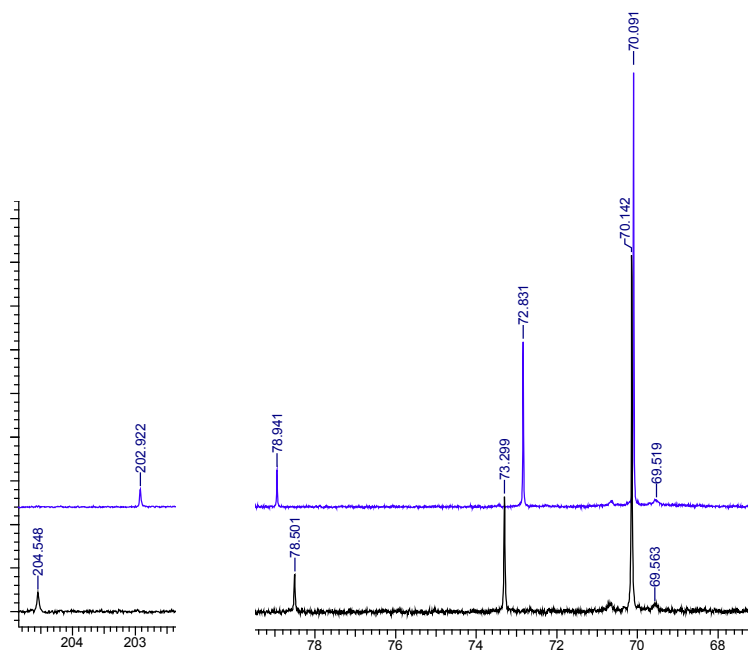


Figure S4:  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of  $\text{FcC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$  (213K blue line ) and in the presence of  $[\text{AgL}]_3$  (black line), DCM.

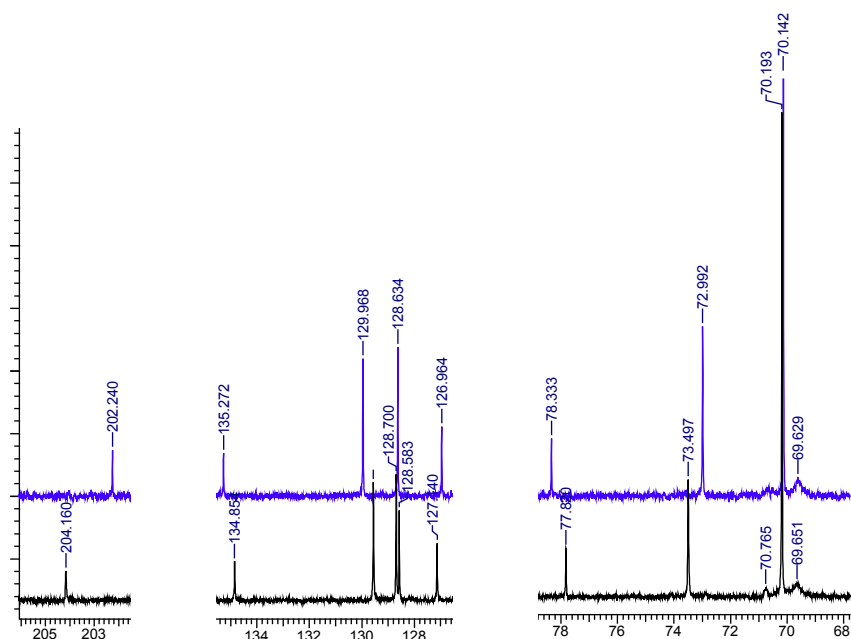


Figure S5:  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of  $\text{FcC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$  (213K, blue line ) and in the presence of  $[\text{AgL}]_3$  (black line), DCM.

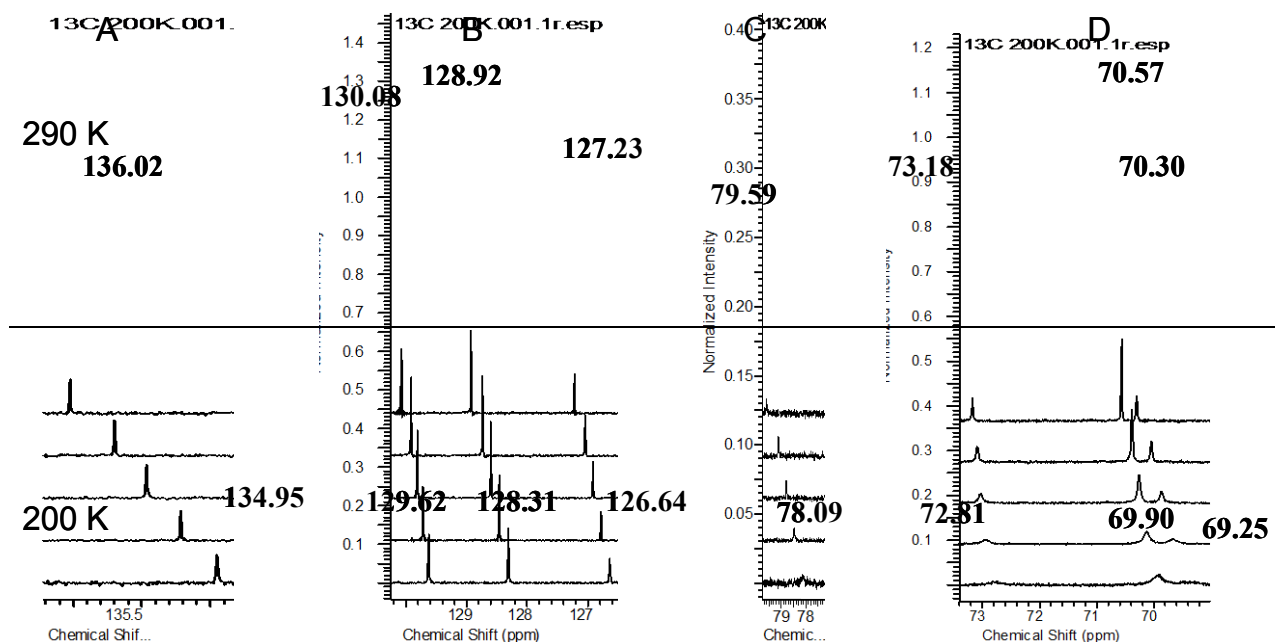


Figure S6:  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of **2** at different temperature in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  , (Ph (A,B) and Cp (D,C) ranges), DCM.

### Procedure for formation constants calculation from UV-vis spectra.

The absorbance at band maximum (463 nm) was expressed as:

$$D^{463} = (\varepsilon^{ketone} \cdot [ketone] + \varepsilon^{compl} \cdot [compl]) \cdot d \quad (1)$$

Where D is absorbance,  $\varepsilon^{ketone}$  and  $\varepsilon^{compl}$  is extinction coefficients at given wavelength of nonbonded ketone and complex correspondingly, [ketone] and [compl] equilibrium concentrations of nonbonded ketone and ketone binded with macrocycle.

$\varepsilon^{ketone} = 284$  (l/(mol\*cm)) was measured directly form UV experiment, while for  $\varepsilon^{compl}$  determination the value of formation constant from IR experiment at 290K was used. Taking into account mass balance and formation constant equations:

$$[ketone] + [compl] = C_{CO}$$

$$[[ML]_3] + [compl] = C_{[ML]_3}$$

$$K_{290}^f = \frac{[compl]}{[ketone] \cdot [[ML]_3]}$$

the values of equilibrium concentrations at 290 K were calculated and from equation 1 the  $\varepsilon^{compl}$  value was obtained ( $\varepsilon^{compl} = 802$  (l/(mol\*cm)) for  $\{1 \cdot [ML]_3\}$ )

Because of negligible change of phenylacetylferrocene E values from temperature we assume same behaviour of complexes and use  $\varepsilon^{compl}$  values for formation constants calculation assuming that changes of absorbance at 463 nm caused by change of [ketone] and [compl] in the same extent:

$$\Delta D^{463} = (\varepsilon^{ketone} \cdot -\Delta[ketone] + \varepsilon^{compl} \cdot \Delta[compl]) \cdot d = \Delta C \cdot d \cdot (\varepsilon^{compl} - \varepsilon^{ketone})$$

$$K_T^f = \frac{[compl]_{290} + \Delta C_T}{([ketone]_{290} - \Delta C_T) \cdot ([[ML]_3]_{290} - \Delta C_T)}$$

where  $\Delta C_T$  is change of complex concentration between given temperature T and 290K.