Supporting Information for:

Nickel(II) radical complexes of thiosemicarbazone ligands appended by salicylidene, aminophenol and aminothiophenol moieties.

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Table S1. Comparison of Experimental and Calculated Bond lengths (Angstroms) for 2, 2⁺ and 2⁻.

Bond	2 (exp.)	2 (calcd.)	2^{+} (calcd.)	2 ⁻ (calcd.)
C1-O1	1.338	1.325	1.314	1.332
C1-C2	1.422	1.429	1.434	1.421
C2-C3	1.390	1.395	1.389	1.406
C3-C4	1.416	1.416	1.426	1.406
C4-C5	1.393	1.390	1.394	1.402
C5-C6	1.407	1.410	1.404	1.408
C1-C6	1.424	1.434	1.451	1.438
N1-C6	1.426	1.397	1.383	1.393
N1-C7	1.307	1.323	1.337	1.362
C7-C8	1.488	1.459	1.441	1.420
N2-C8	1.313	1.327	1.349	1.356
N2-N3	1.384	1.355	1.328	1.368
N3-C9	1.323	1.333	1.351	1.316
C9-S1	1.760	1.758	1.755	1.759
Ni-O1	1.846(2)	1.877	1.849	1.884
Ni-N1	1.870(2)	1.864	1.865	1.860
Ni-N2	1.838(2)	1.847	1.836	1.829
Ni-S1	2.173(1)	2.184	2.166	2.201



Table S2. Comparison of Experimental and Calculated Bond lengths (Angstroms) for 3, 3⁺ and 3⁻.

Bond	3 (exp.)	3 (calcd.)	3 ⁺ (calcd.)	3 ⁻ (calcd.)
C1-O1	1.773	1.783	1.752	1.779
C1-C2	1.412	1.421	1.429	1.420
C2-C3	1.379	1.406	1.397	1.409
C3-C4	1.385	1.403	1.414	1.403
C4-C5	1.385	1.395	1.393	1.397
C5-C6	1.392	1.404	1.404	1.411
C1-C6	1.417	1.419	1.434	1.432
N1-C6	1.425	1.417	1.400	1.394
N1-C7	1.320	1.326	1.337	1.370
С7-С8	1.467	1.456	1.447	1.417
N2-C8	1.295	1.328	1.338	1.351
N2-N3	1.376	1.349	1.331	1.366
N3-C9	1.321	1.338	1.346	1.318
C9-S1	1.761	1.754	1.765	1.758
Ni-S1	2.117	2.147	2.118	2.159
Ni-N1	1.880	1.882	1.886	1.882
Ni-N2	1.863	1.862	1.865	1.850
Ni-S1	2.160	2.183	2.155	2.195



Figure S1. Geometry optimized structure of 1 and selected bond distances.



Figure S2. Geometry optimized structure of 2 and selected bond distances.



Figure S3. Geometry optimized structure of 3 and selected bond distances.



Figure S4. Geometry optimized structure of 2^+ and selected bond distances (doublet state).



Figure S5. Geometry optimized structure of 2⁻ and selected bond distances (doublet state).



Figure S6. Geometry optimized structure of 3^+ and selected bond distances (doublet state).



Figure S7. Geometry optimized structure of 3⁻ and selected bond distances (doublet state).



Figure S8. Spin density plots of a) 2⁺ and b) 2⁻(doublet state).



Figure S9. Spin density plots of a) 3⁺ and b) 3⁻(doublet states).



Figure S10. TD-DFT assignment of the electronic transitions of **2**. The diagrams give difference electron densities where red corresponds to positive density and yellow to negative density.



Figure S11. TD-DFT assignment of the electronic transitions of 2^+ . The diagrams give difference electron densities where red corresponds to positive density and yellow to negative density.



Figure S12. TD-DFT assignment of the electronic transitions of **2**⁻. The diagrams give difference electron densities where red corresponds to positive density and yellow to negative density.



Figure S13. TD-DFT assignment of the electronic transitions of **3**. The diagrams give difference electron densities where red corresponds to positive density and yellow to negative density.



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Figure S14. TD-DFT assignment of the electronic transitions of 3⁻. The diagrams give difference electron densities where red corresponds to positive density and yellow to negative density.



Figure S15. EPR spectrum of a 1 mM CH₂Cl₂ solution of the electrochemically generated 3⁺. Solid lines: experimental spectra, dotted red lines: simulation using parameters given in Table 2. Microwave freq. 9.34 GHz, power = 5 mW, mod. freq. 100 KHz, amp. 0.3 mT, T = 100 K.



Figure S16. EPR spectrum of a 4 mM THF solution of **3**⁻ (chemically prepared by reduction of **3** with NaHg amalgam). Microwave freq. 9.33 GHz, power = 5 mW, mod. freq. 100 KHz, amp. 0.3 mT, T = 100 K.



Figure S17. EPR spectrum of a 4 mM THF solution of **3**⁻ (chemically prepared by reduction of **3** with NaHg amalgam) after exposure for 2 minutes to air. Solid lines: experimental spectra, dotted red lines: simulation using parameters given in Table 2. Microwave freq. 9.33 GHz, power = 5 mW, mod. freq. 100 KHz, amp. 0.1 mT, T = 100 K.



Figure S18. Differential Pulse Voltammetry curves of 1 mM CH_2Cl_2 (+0.1 M TBAP) solutions of the complexes: (green) ferrocene, (blue) **2** + ferrocene, (red) **3** + ferrocene. The potentials are quoted relative to the 0.01 M AgNO₃ reference electrode, which was used in the experiment. *T* = 298 K.



Figure S19. Evolution of the reversibility of the oxidation wave as a function of the scan rate for 1 mM CH₂Cl₂ (+0.1 M TBAP) solutions of the complexes: (blue squares) **2**, (red circles) **3**. T = 298 K.



Figure S20. Plot of $I_p^{a,1}$ as a function of the square root of the scan rate, showing that the oxidation process is controlled by the diffusion. Conditions are 1 mM CH₂Cl₂ (+0.1 M TBAP) solutions of the complexes at T = 298 K: (blue squares) **2**, (red circles) **3**.