

Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI) for

Cascade approach to hetero-pentanuclear manganese-oxide clusters in polyoxometalates and their single-molecule magnet properties†

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Experimental details

Bond valence sum (BVS) calculations: The BVS values were calculated by the expression for the variation of the length r_{ij} of a bond between two atoms i and j in observed crystal with valence V_i :

$$V_i = \sum_j \exp\left(\frac{r'_0 - r_{ij}}{B}\right)$$

where B is constant equal to 0.37 Å, r'_0 is bond valence parameter for a given atom pair.^{S1}

Analysis of Magnetic data: The magnetic interactions were analyzed by fitting the temperature-dependence of magnetic susceptibilities with the following isotropic spin Heisenberg–Dirac–Van Vleck Hamiltonian (Eq S1) where J_1 and J_2 represent exchange interactions of M–Mn and Mn–Mn, respectively (Figures 2, S12):

$$H = -2J_1(S_M \cdot S_{Mn1} + S_M \cdot S_{Mn2} + S_M \cdot S_{Mn3} + S_M \cdot S_{Mn4}) - 2J_2(S_{Mn1} \cdot S_{Mn2} + S_{Mn3} \cdot S_{Mn4}) \quad (\text{Eq S1})$$

The g values for Fe(III), Ni(II), Mn(III), Cu(II) were fixed to 2, and the g value for Co(II) was optimized.

Synthesis of Mn5: To an acetone solution (10 mL) of Mn(acac)₃ (27.1 mg, 77.3 μmol, 5 equiv. with respect to TBA₄H₆[A-α-SiW₉O₃₄]·2H₂O), TBA₄H₆[A-α-SiW₉O₃₄]·2H₂O (100 mg, 30.9 μmol) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred for 2 h at room temperature (ca. 20°C). Then, diethyl ether (30 mL) was added. Dark brown precipitates formed were filtered off, followed by recrystallization from a mixed solvent of 1,2-dichloroethane and ethyl acetate. The brown crystals of **Mn5** suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained (58 mg, 58% yield based on TBA₄H₆[A-α-SiW₉O₃₄]·2H₂O). **Mn5** can also be synthesized by the following method: To a 1,2-dichloroethane solution (10 mL) of **I_{Mn}** (TBA₇H₁₀[Mn(A-α-SiW₉O₃₄)₂]·3H₂O; 243 mg, 39 μmol), Mn(acac)₃ (54 mg, 156 μmol, 4 equiv. with respect to **I_{Mn}**) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred for 5 h at room temperature (ca. 20°C). Then, diethyl ether (20 mL) was added. Dark brown

precipitates formed were filtered off, followed by recrystallization from a mixed solvent of 1,2-dichloroethane and diethyl ether. The brown crystals of **Mn5** suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained (183 mg, 72% yield based on **I_{Mn}**). Elemental analysis, calcd (%) for C₁₁₄H₂₆₂Cl₂Mn₅N₇O₇₂Si₂W₁₈ (TBA₇H₂[Mn₅O₂(A- α -SiW₉O₃₄)₂] $\cdot$ 2H₂O $\cdot$ C₂H₄Cl₂): C, 20.76; H, 4.00; N, 1.49; Si, 0.85; Mn, 4.17; W, 50.18. Found: C, 20.30; H, 3.93; N, 1.20; Si, 0.89; Mn, 4.48; W, 50.00. Positive-ion MS (CSI, acetone): *m/z* 3472 (calcd. 3472) [TBA₉H₂Mn₅O₂(SiW₉O₃₄)₂]²⁺, 6702 (calcd. 6702) [TBA₈H₂Mn₅O₂(SiW₉O₃₄)₂]⁺. IR (KBr pellet, cm⁻¹): 1700, 1380, 1153, 1107, 1014, 990, 957, 934, 923, 709, 669, 614, 534, 480, 410, 376, 344, 333, 262, 255, 269.

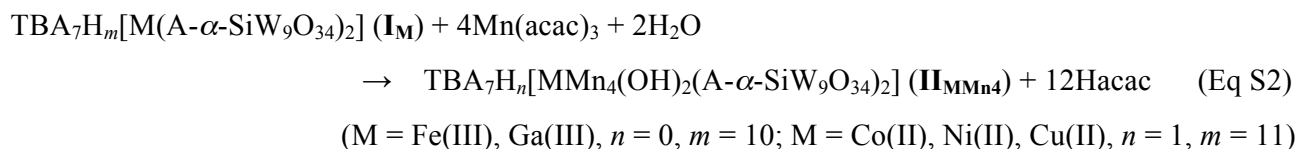
Synthesis of I_{Ni}: To Ni(acac)₂·2H₂O (9.0 mg, 30.9 μ mol) in a mixed solvent of acetone and water (5.76/0.24 mL), TBA₄H₆[A- α -SiW₉O₃₄] $\cdot$ 2H₂O (200 mg, 61.8 μ mol, 2.0 equiv. with respect to Ni(acac)₂) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred for 5 h at room temperature (ca. 20°C). Then, diethyl ether (20 mL) was added. Pale green precipitates formed were filtered off (164 mg), followed by recrystallization from a mixed solvent of 1,2-dichloroethane and diethyl ether. The pale green crystals of **I_{Ni}** suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained (146 mg, 72% yield based on Ni). Elemental analysis, calcd (%) for C₁₁₄H₂₇₁Cl₂Ni₇O₇₀Si₂W₁₈ (TBA₇H₁₁[Ni(A- α -SiW₉O₃₄)₂] $\cdot$ 2H₂O $\cdot$ C₂H₄Cl₂): C, 21.54; H, 4.30; N, 1.54; Si, 0.88; Ni, 0.92; W, 52.07. Found: C, 21.40; H, 4.25; N, 1.54; Si, 0.87; Ni, 0.90; W, 52.27. Positive-ion MS (CSI, 1,2-dichloroethane): *m/z* 3308 (calcd. 3308) [TBA₉HNi(SiW₉O₃₁)(SiW₉O₃₂)]²⁺, 6427 (calcd. 6427) [TBA₈H₇Ni(SiW₉O₃₃)₂]⁺. IR (KBr pellet, cm⁻¹): 2962, 2935, 2874, 1634, 1485, 1381, 1282, 1153, 1106, 1058, 994, 953, 896, 818, 796, 769, 733, 645, 560, 523, 457, 374, 360, 336.

Synthesis of I_{Cu}: **I_{Cu}** was synthesized through the same procedure as that for **I_{Ni}** using Cu(OAc)₂·2H₂O (6.2 mg, 30.9 μ mol) as the metal source (pale blue crystals, 47% yield based on Cu). Elemental analysis, calcd (%) for C₁₁₄H₂₇₀Cl₂GaN₇O₇₀Si₂W₁₈ (TBA₇H₁₁[Cu(A- α -SiW₉O₃₄)₂] $\cdot$ 2H₂O $\cdot$ C₂H₄Cl₂): C, 21.42; H, 4.27; N, 1.53; Si, 0.88; Cu, 0.99; W, 51.77. Found: C, 21.70; H, 4.23; N, 1.49; Si, 0.91; Cu, 1.05; W, 54.80. Positive-ion MS (CSI, 1,2-dichloroethane): *m/z* 3310 (calcd. 3310) [TBA₉HCu(SiW₉O₃₁)(SiW₉O₃₂)]²⁺, 6431 (calcd. 6431) [TBA₈H₇Cu(SiW₉O₃₃)₂]⁺. IR (KBr pellet, cm⁻¹): 1636, 1618, 1484, 1473, 1381, 1153, 1107, 1059, 1005, 955, 915, 898, 817, 793, 765, 738, 718, 647, 563, 521, 457, 408, 377, 350, 339, 322, 269.

Synthesis of I_{Ga}: **I_{Ga}** was synthesized through the same procedure as that for **I_{Ni}** using Ga(acac)₃ (11.3 mg, 30.9 μ mol) as the metal source (colourless crystals, 49% yield based on Ga). Elemental analysis, calcd (%) for C₁₁₄H₂₇₀Cl₂GaN₇O₇₀Si₂W₁₈ (TBA₇H₁₀[Ga(A- α -SiW₉O₃₄)₂] $\cdot$ 2H₂O $\cdot$ C₂H₄Cl₂): C, 21.51; H, 4.28; N, 1.54; Si, 0.88; Ga, 1.10; W, 51.99. Found: C, 21.36; H, 4.32; N, 1.49; Si, 0.88; Ga, 1.11; W,

51.00. Positive-ion MS (CSI, 1,2-dichloroethane): m/z 3340 (calcd. 3340) $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_6\text{Ga}(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{33})_2]^{2+}$, 6437 (calcd. 6437) $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_6\text{Ga}(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{33})_2]^+$. IR (KBr pellet, cm^{-1}): 2962, 2934, 2874, 1635, 1485, 1382, 1153, 1108, 1066, 992, 955, 895, 816, 774, 738, 671, 560, 536, 511, 375, 360, 337.

The formations of II_{MMn4} from I_{M} can be expressed by Eq S2.



Synthesis of II_{FeMn4} : To a 1,2-dichloroethane solution (12 mL) of I_{Fe} ($\text{TBA}_7\text{H}_{10}[\text{Fe}(\text{A}-\alpha\text{-SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$; 254 mg, 40 μmol), $\text{Mn}(\text{acac})_3$ (56 mg, 160 μmol , 4 equiv. with respect to I_{Fe}) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred for 6 h at room temperature (ca. 20°C). Then, diethyl ether (40 mL) was added. Dark brown precipitates formed were filtered off, followed by recrystallization from a mixed solvent of 1,2-dichloroethane and diethyl ether. The brown crystals of II_{FeMn4} suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained (202 mg, 77% yield based on I_{Fe}). Elemental analysis, calcd (%) for $\text{C}_{114}\text{H}_{271}\text{Cl}_2\text{CoN}_7\text{O}_{70}\text{Si}_2\text{W}_{18}$ ($\text{TBA}_7\text{H}_2[\text{FeMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{A}-\alpha\text{-SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$): C, 20.76; H, 4.00; N, 1.49; Si, 0.85; Mn, 3.33; Fe 0.85; W, 50.18. Found: C, 20.71; H, 4.00; N, 1.51; Si, 0.84; Mn 3.35; Fe, 0.84; W, 50.46. Positive-ion MS (CSI, 1,2-dichloroethane): m/z 3473 (calcd. 3473) $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_2\text{FeMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^{2+}$, 6703 (calcd. 6703) $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_2\text{FeMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^+$. IR (KBr pellet, cm^{-1}): 1635, 1483, 1384, 1157, 1113, 1057, 1015, 957, 935, 923, 889, 875, 786, 712, 641, 532, 376, 335, 303, 289, 278, 267, 256.

Synthesis of II_{CoMn4} : II_{CoMn4} was synthesized through the same procedure as that for II_{FeMn4} using I_{Co} ($\text{TBA}_7\text{H}_{11}[\text{Co}(\text{A}-\alpha\text{-SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$) as the starting material (dark brown crystals, 86% yield based on I_{Co}). Elemental analysis, calcd (%) for $\text{C}_{114}\text{H}_{272}\text{Cl}_2\text{CoN}_7\text{O}_{70}\text{Si}_2\text{W}_{18}$ ($\text{TBA}_7\text{H}_3[\text{CoMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{A}-\alpha\text{-SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$): C, 20.76; H, 4.00; N, 1.49; Si, 0.85; Mn 3.33; Co, 0.89; W, 50.14. Found: C, 20.51; H, 4.00; N, 1.49; Si, 0.79; Mn, 3.30; Co 0.88; W, 50.67. Positive-ion MS (CSI, 1,2-dichloroethane): m/z 3475 (calcd. 3475) $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_3\text{CoMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^{2+}$, 6707 (calcd. 6707) $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_3\text{CoMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^+$. IR (KBr pellet, cm^{-1}): 1635, 1484, 1381, 1152, 1107, 1061, 1008, 992, 957, 920, 894, 873, 788, 747, 700, 665, 537, 376, 329, 282, 278, 263, 255.

Synthesis of II_{NiMn4} : II_{NiMn4} was synthesized through the same procedure as that for II_{FeMn4} using I_{Ni} as the starting material (dark brown crystals, 71% yield based on I_{Ni}). Elemental analysis, calcd (%) for $\text{C}_{114}\text{H}_{263}\text{Cl}_2\text{Mn}_4\text{N}_7\text{NiO}_{72}\text{Si}_2\text{W}_{18}$ ($\text{TBA}_7\text{H}_3[\text{NiMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{A}-\alpha\text{-SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$): C, 20.76; H, 4.00;

N, 1.49; Si, 0.85; Mn 3.33; Ni, 0.89; W, 50.15. Found: C, 20.75; H, 4.04; N, 1.47; Si, 0.83; Mn 3.19; Ni, 0.85; W, 50.98. Positive-ion MS (ESI, 1,2-dichloroethane): m/z 3474 (calcd. 3474) $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_3\text{NiMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^{2+}$, 6706 (calcd. 6706) $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_3\text{NiMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^+$. IR (KBr pellet, cm^{-1}): 1634, 1484, 1382, 1152, 1105, 1065, 1009, 989, 957, 919, 891, 874, 788, 745, 668, 534, 480, 425, 379, 332, 286, 279, 269, 256, 252.

Synthesis of II_{CuMn4} : II_{CuMn4} was synthesized through the same procedure as that for II_{FeMn4} using I_{Cu} as the starting material (brown crystals, 86% yield based on I_{Cu}). $\text{C}_{114}\text{H}_{272}\text{Cl}_2\text{CuN}_7\text{O}_{70}\text{Si}_2\text{W}_{18}$ ($\text{TBA}_7\text{H}_3[\text{CuMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{A}-\alpha\text{-SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}\cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$): C, 20.73; H, 4.01; N, 1.48; Si, 0.85; Mn 3.33; Cu, 0.96; W, 50.11. Found: C, 20.60; H, 3.94; N, 1.41; Si, 0.84; Mn, 3.37; Cu 0.96; W, 49.73. Positive-ion MS (ESI, 1,2-dichloroethane): m/z 3477 (calcd. 3477) $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_3\text{CuMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^{2+}$, 6711 (calcd. 6711) $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_3\text{CuMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^+$. IR (KBr pellet, cm^{-1}): 1635, 1484, 1384, 1152, 1107, 1062, 1008, 957, 922, 903, 872, 786, 743, 661, 533, 373, 333, 297, 283, 277, 257.

Synthesis of II_{GaMn4} : II_{GaMn4} was synthesized through the same procedure as that for II_{FeMn4} using I_{Ga} as the starting material. The dark brown crystals of II_{GaMn4} suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by recrystallization of crude crystals from a mixed solvent of nitromethane and diethyl ether (43% yield based on I_{Ga}). Elemental analysis, calcd (%) for $\text{C}_{114}\text{H}_{262}\text{Cl}_2\text{GaMn}_4\text{N}_7\text{O}_{72}\text{Si}_2\text{W}_{18}$ ($\text{TBA}_7\text{H}_2[\text{GaMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{A}-\alpha\text{-SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}\cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$): C, 20.72; H, 4.00; N, 1.48; Si, 0.85; Mn, 3.33; Ga, 1.05; W, 50.07. Found: C, 20.57; H, 3.97; N, 1.45; Si, 0.85; Mn 3.01; Ga, 1.04; W, 51.12. Positive-ion MS (ESI, 1,2-dichloroethane): m/z 3479 (calcd. 3479) $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_2\text{GaMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^{2+}$, 6717 (calcd. 6717) $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_2\text{GaMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^+$. IR (KBr pellet, cm^{-1}): 1635, 1483, 1380, 1152, 1107, 1054, 1016, 987, 957, 935, 925, 893, 786, 710, 646, 551, 533, 410, 375, 335, 308, 254.

Table S1. Selected BVS values for **Mn5**, **Π_{FeMn4}** , **Π_{CoMn4}** , **Π_{NiMn4}** , **Π_{CuMn4}** , and **Π_{GaMn4}** ^a

Mn5		Π_{FeMn4}		Π_{CoMn4}	Π_{NiMn4}	Π_{CuMn4}	Π_{GaMn4}
W1	6.32	W1	6.12	6.16	6.12	6.07	6.11
W2	6.19	W2	6.17	6.09	6.06	6.10	6.13
W3	6.17	W3	6.15	6.08	6.01	6.03	6.08
W4	6.19	W4	6.09	6.08	6.13	6.12	6.06
W5	6.10	W5	6.01	6.12	6.14	6.02	6.10
W6	6.16	W6	6.04	6.09	6.09	5.98	6.07
W7	6.05	W7	6.14	6.18	6.20	6.06	6.11
W8	6.18	W8	6.16	6.16	6.15	5.94	6.10
W9	6.09	W9	6.09	6.11	6.11	6.10	6.04
W10	6.33	W10	6.16	6.12	6.14	6.15	6.10
W11	6.18	W11	6.09	6.11	6.12	6.06	6.09
W12	6.17	W12	6.06	6.13	6.09	5.98	6.12
W13	6.04	W13	6.09	6.13	6.14	6.05	6.04
W14	6.11	W14	6.14	6.09	6.11	6.10	6.11
W15	6.00	W15	6.14	5.99	6.07	6.04	6.05
W16	6.16	W16	6.18	6.14	6.17	6.00	6.10
W17	6.16	W17	6.17	6.11	6.19	6.01	6.16
W18	6.15	W18	6.15	6.13	6.12	6.05	6.14
Si1	4.06	Si1	3.99	4.01	3.95	3.90	3.97
Si2	4.00	Si2	3.99	3.96	3.99	3.95	3.96
Mn1	3.09	M1	3.05	2.13	2.03	2.12	3.07
Mn2	2.93	Mn1	2.99	3.08	3.01	2.96	2.94
Mn3	2.90	Mn2	3.01	2.98	2.97	2.88	2.95
Mn4	2.92	Mn3	3.02	3.02	3.09	3.01	2.99
Mn5	2.92	Mn4	2.99	2.98	2.99	2.95	2.98
O1H	1.14	O1H	1.16	1.17	1.19	1.18	1.16
O2H	1.14	O2H	1.17	1.18	1.16	1.17	1.15
O3	1.78	O3	1.88	1.81	1.21	1.22	1.88
O40	1.73	O40	1.86	1.20	1.80	1.81	1.92

^a M = Fe (**Π_{FeMn4}**), Co (**Π_{CoMn4}**), Ni (**Π_{NiMn4}**), Cu (**Π_{CuMn4}**), and Ga (**Π_{GaMn4}**).

Table S2. Selected bond lengths and angles for **Mn5**, **II_{FeMn4}**, **II_{CoMn4}**, **II_{NiMn4}**, **II_{CuMn4}**, and **II_{GaMn4}**^a

Bond length (Å)							
	Mn5		II_{FeMn4}	II_{CoMn4}	II_{NiMn4}	II_{CuMn4}	II_{GaMn4}
Mn1···Mn_{avg}	3.457	M1···Mn_{avg}	3.514	3.488	3.492	3.461	3.509
Mn1···Mn2	3.448	M1···Mn1	3.505	3.481	3.466	3.468	3.511
Mn1···Mn3	3.437	M1···Mn2	3.524	3.464	3.495	3.432	3.505
Mn1···Mn4	3.464	M1···Mn3	3.522	3.512	3.501	3.476	3.500
Mn1···Mn5	3.477	M1···Mn4	3.503	3.493	3.506	3.469	3.518
Mn2···Mn3	3.492	Mn1···Mn2	3.538	3.501	3.499	3.492	3.530
Mn4···Mn5	3.509	Mn3···Mn4	3.524	3.531	3.530	3.517	3.533
Mn2···Mn5	5.969	Mn1···Mn4	6.088	6.031	6.029	5.979	6.079
Mn3···Mn4	5.952	Mn2···Mn3	6.061	6.018	6.042	5.960	6.048
Mn1–O_{avg}	2.019	M1–O_{avg}	2.010	2.080	2.057	2.079	1.980
Mn1–O1	1.935	M1–O1	1.988	2.034	2.020	2.017	1.944
Mn1–O2	1.947	M1–O2	1.973	2.029	2.031	2.000	1.959
Mn1–O35	1.945	M1–O35	1.983	2.061	2.039	2.003	1.946
Mn1–O36	1.948	M1–O36	2.002	2.043	2.038	1.985	1.961
Mn1–O19	2.175	M1–O19	2.061	2.151	2.105	2.239	2.033
Mn1–O53	2.163	M1–O53	2.055	2.163	2.110	2.231	2.038
Mn–OH_{avg}	1.968	Mn–OH_{avg}	1.961	1.957	1.957	1.956	1.963
Mn2–O1H	1.981	Mn1–O1H	1.963	1.961	1.953	1.953	1.972
Mn3–O1H	1.954	Mn2–O1H	1.956	1.949	1.954	1.956	1.958
Mn4–O2H	1.970	Mn3–O2H	1.961	1.962	1.963	1.963	1.962
Mn5–O2H	1.966	Mn4–O2H	1.965	1.957	1.957	1.952	1.959
Mn–O_{Siavg}	2.196	Mn–O_{Siavg}	2.154	2.155	2.150	1.948	2.146
Mn1–O20	2.202	Mn1–O(Si)	2.152	2.163	2.155	2.191	2.143
Mn2–O21	2.196	Mn2–O(Si)	2.162	2.163	2.166	2.180	2.144
Mn3–O54	2.183	Mn3–O(Si)	2.155	2.137	2.151	2.152	2.151
Mn4–O55	2.203	Mn4–O(Si)	2.147	2.157	2.129	2.170	2.147
Bond Angle (°)							
	Mn5		II_{FeMn4}	II_{CoMn4}	II_{NiMn4}	II_{CuMn4}	II_{GaMn4}
θ_{1avg}	128.61	θ_{1avg}	129.49	125.62	126.43	125.30	130.25
Mn1–O35–Mn2	128.14	M1–O35–Mn1	129.14	126.04	126.33	125.97	130.58
Mn1–O36–Mn3	129.57	M1–O36–Mn2	131.08	125.78	126.85	124.72	129.72
Mn1–O1–Mn4	129.24	M1–O1–Mn3	129.92	125.46	126.13	124.88	130.21
Mn1–O2–Mn5	127.47	M1–O2–Mn4	127.81	125.18	126.41	125.64	130.50
θ_{2avg}	125.61	θ_{2avg}	128.32	127.85	127.81	127.20	128.20
Mn2–O1H–Mn3	125.08	Mn1–O1H–Mn2	129.00	127.14	127.18	126.59	127.82
Mn4–O2H–Mn5	126.13	Mn3–O2H–Mn4	127.64	128.56	128.44	127.81	128.57

^a M = Fe (**II_{FeMn4}**), Co (**II_{CoMn4}**), Ni (**II_{NiMn4}**), Cu (**II_{CuMn4}**), and Ga (**II_{GaMn4}**).

Table S3. The thermal energy barrier for magnetic relaxation (U_{eff}) and pre-exponential factor (τ_0) for **Mn5**, **Π_{FeMn4}** , **Π_{CoMn4}** , **Π_{NiMn4}** , and **Π_{CuMn4}**

	$U_{\text{eff}} / \text{K} (\text{/cm}^{-1})$	τ_0 / s
Mn5	19.5 (13.6)	1.5×10^{-8}
Π_{FeMn4}	31.4 (22.0)	1.6×10^{-8}
Π_{CoMn4}	22.3 (15.2)	3.4×10^{-8}
Π_{NiMn4}	19.4 (13.5)	6.0×10^{-9}
Π_{CuMn4}	23.1 (16.0)	1.4×10^{-8}

Table S4. The α values in Cole-Cole plots and the relaxation time (τ) of **Mn5** at each temperature

T / K	α	τ / s
1.85	0.16	0.000995
1.90	0.13	0.000796
2.00	0.10	0.000455
2.20	0.10	0.000187
2.40	0.06	0.000100

Table S5. The α values in Cole-Cole plots and the relaxation time (τ) of **II_{FeMn4}** at each temperature

T / K	α	τ / s
1.8	0.17	-
1.9	0.12	-
2.0	0.10	0.039789
2.2	0.06	0.014469
2.4	0.06	0.005684
2.6	0.05	0.002526
2.8	0.05	0.001224
3.0	0.05	0.000589
3.2	0.05	0.000319
3.4	0.05	0.000159

Table S6. The α values in Cole-Cole plots and the relaxation time (τ) of **II**_{C₀Mn₄} at each temperature

T / K	α	τ / s
1.8	0.17	0.003979
1.9	0.14	0.002526
2.0	0.15	0.001768
2.2	0.16	0.000838
2.4	0.14	0.000379

Table S7. The α values in Cole-Cole plots and the relaxation time (τ) of **II**_{NiMn₄} at each temperature

T / K	α	τ / s
1.8	0.28	0.000796
1.9	0.23	0.000455
2.0	0.20	0.000265
2.2	0.22	0.000199
2.4	0.22	0.000133
2.6	0.27	0.000106

Table S8. The α values in Cole-Cole plots and the relaxation time (τ) of **II**_{CuMn₄} at each temperature

T / K	α	τ / s
1.8	0.17	0.602762
1.9	0.12	0.240662
2.0	0.10	0.039789
2.2	0.06	0.014469
2.4	0.06	0.005684

Table S9. Crystallographic data for **I_{Ni}**, **I_{Cu}**, and **I_{Ga}**

Compound	I_{Ni}	I_{Cu}	I_{Ga}
formula	C ₁₂₄ Cl ₁₂ N ₇ NiO ₇₀ Si ₂ W ₁₈	C ₁₂₄ Cl ₁₂ CuN ₇ O ₇₀ Si ₂ W ₁₈	C ₁₂₄ Cl ₁₂ GaN ₇ O ₇₀ Si ₂ W ₁₈
<i>F</i> w (g mol ⁻¹)	6556.9	6561.73	6567.91
crystal system	triclinic	triclinic	triclinic
space group	<i>P</i> -1 (#2)	<i>P</i> -1 (#2)	<i>P</i> -1 (#2)
<i>a</i> (Å)	14.65510(10)	14.62560(10)	14.6663(2)
<i>b</i> (Å)	18.7075(2)	18.7678(2)	18.6722(3)
<i>c</i> (Å)	19.0611(2)	19.1230(2)	19.0211(3)
α (deg)	106.8700(10)	107.2098(5)	106.6060(6)
β (deg)	92.2040(10)	92.3267(5)	92.4161(8)
γ (deg)	98.1760(10)	98.2091(6)	97.9290(10)
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	4932.51(8)	4943.60(8)	4925.69(14)
<i>Z</i>	1	1	1
temp (K)	123(2)	123(2)	123(2)
ρ_{calcd} (g cm ⁻³)	2.207	2.204	2.214
GOF	1.046	1.107	1.041
<i>R</i> ₁ [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)]	0.0687 (for 24370 data)	0.0624 (for 14890 data)	0.0794 (for 20971 data)
<i>wR</i> ₂	0.1653 (for all 26720 data)	0.1406 (for all 15244 data)	0.2126 (for all 27152 data)

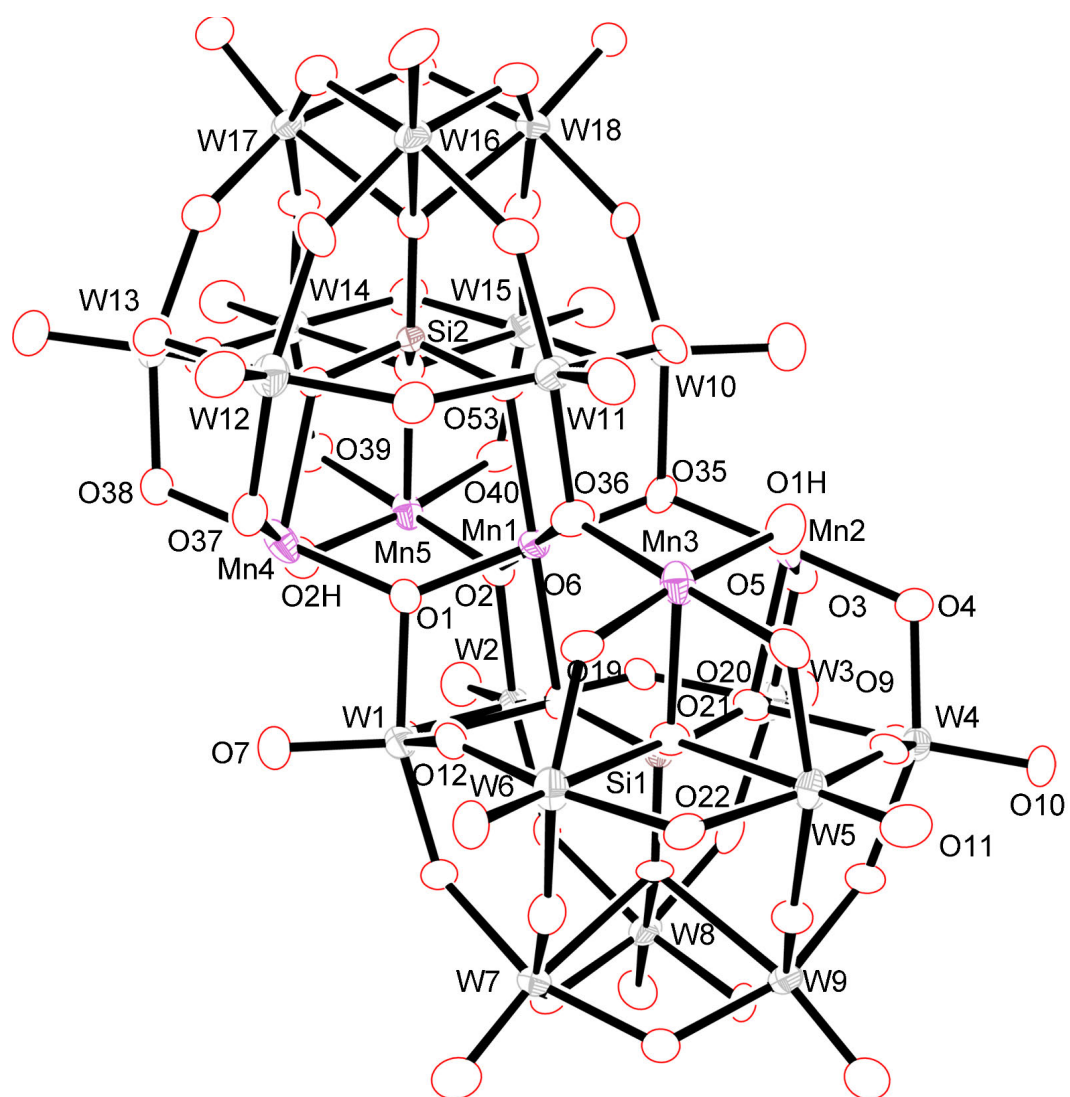


Fig. S1 ORTEP representation of the anion part of **Mn5** with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

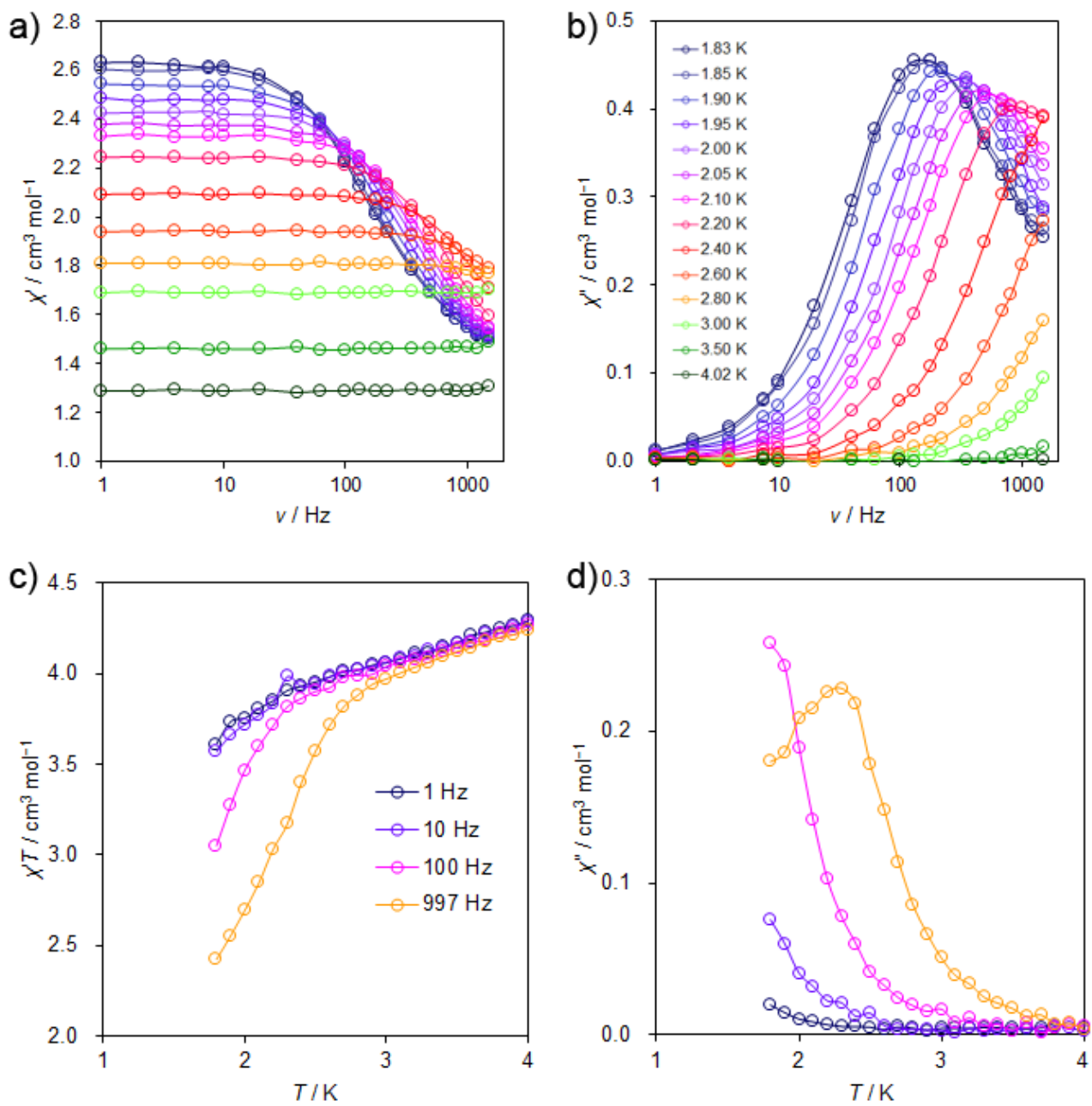


Fig. S2 Frequency dependence of the ac magnetic susceptibility ((a) χ' and (b) χ'') and temperature dependence of the ac magnetic susceptibility ((c) $\chi'T$ and (d) χ'') of **Mn5** under the zero external dc field.

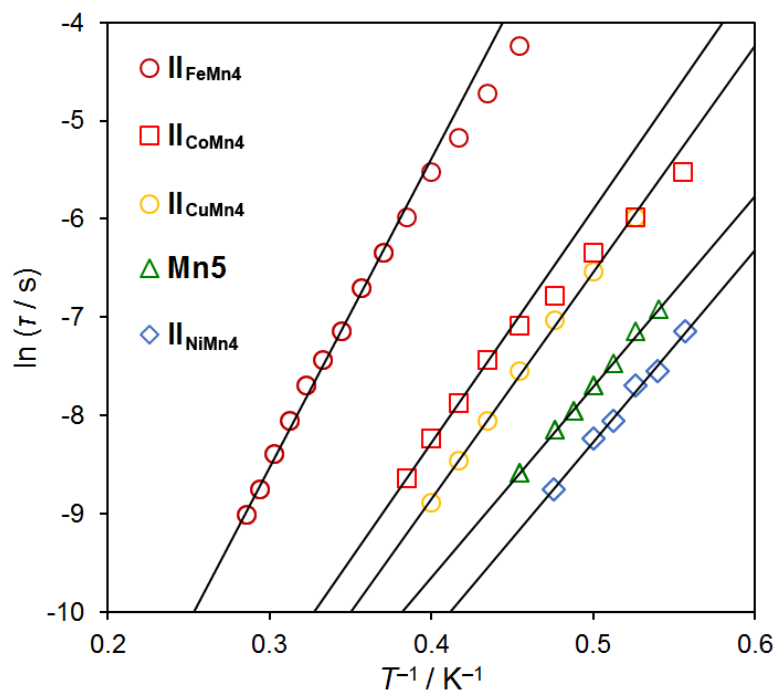


Fig. S3 Plots of relaxation time (τ) versus T^{-1} for **Mn5**, **II_{FeMn4}**, **II_{CoMn4}**, **II_{NiMn4}**, and **II_{CuMn4}**. The solid lines represent the best fit with the Arrhenius law ($\ln \tau$ ($\tau = \tau_0 \exp(U_{\text{eff}}/k_B T)$) vs T^{-1}) at thermally activated regime.

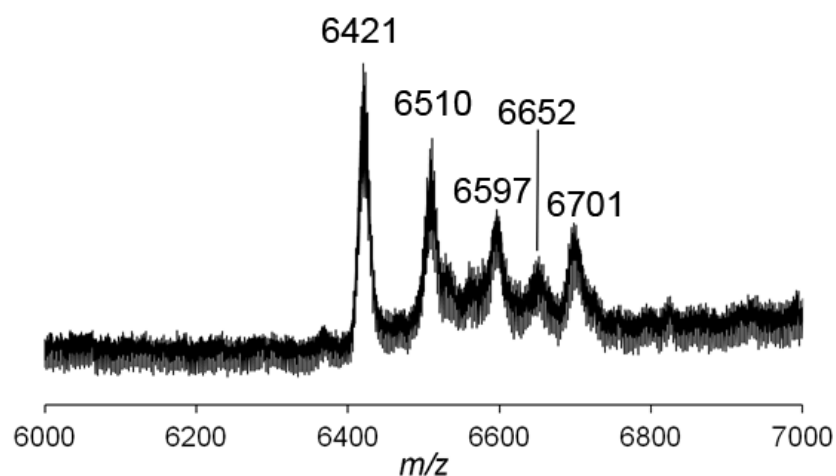


Fig. S4 Positive-ion CSI-mass spectrum of the reaction solution of Ga(acac)₃, Mn(acac)₃, and TBA₄H₆[A- α -SiW₉O₃₄] $\cdot$ 2H₂O (1:4:2 molar ratio) in 1,2-dichloroethane. The sets of signals centred at *m/z* 6421, 6510, 6597, 6652, and 6701 were assignable to [TBA₈H₆Mn(SiW₉O₃₃)₂]⁺, [TBA₈H₇Mn₂(SiW₉O₃₄)₂]⁺, [TBA₈H₈Mn₃O₂(SiW₉O₃₄)₂]⁺, [TBA₈H₅Mn₄O₂(SiW₉O₃₄)₂]⁺, and [TBA₈H₂Mn₅O₂(SiW₉O₃₄)₂]⁺, respectively.

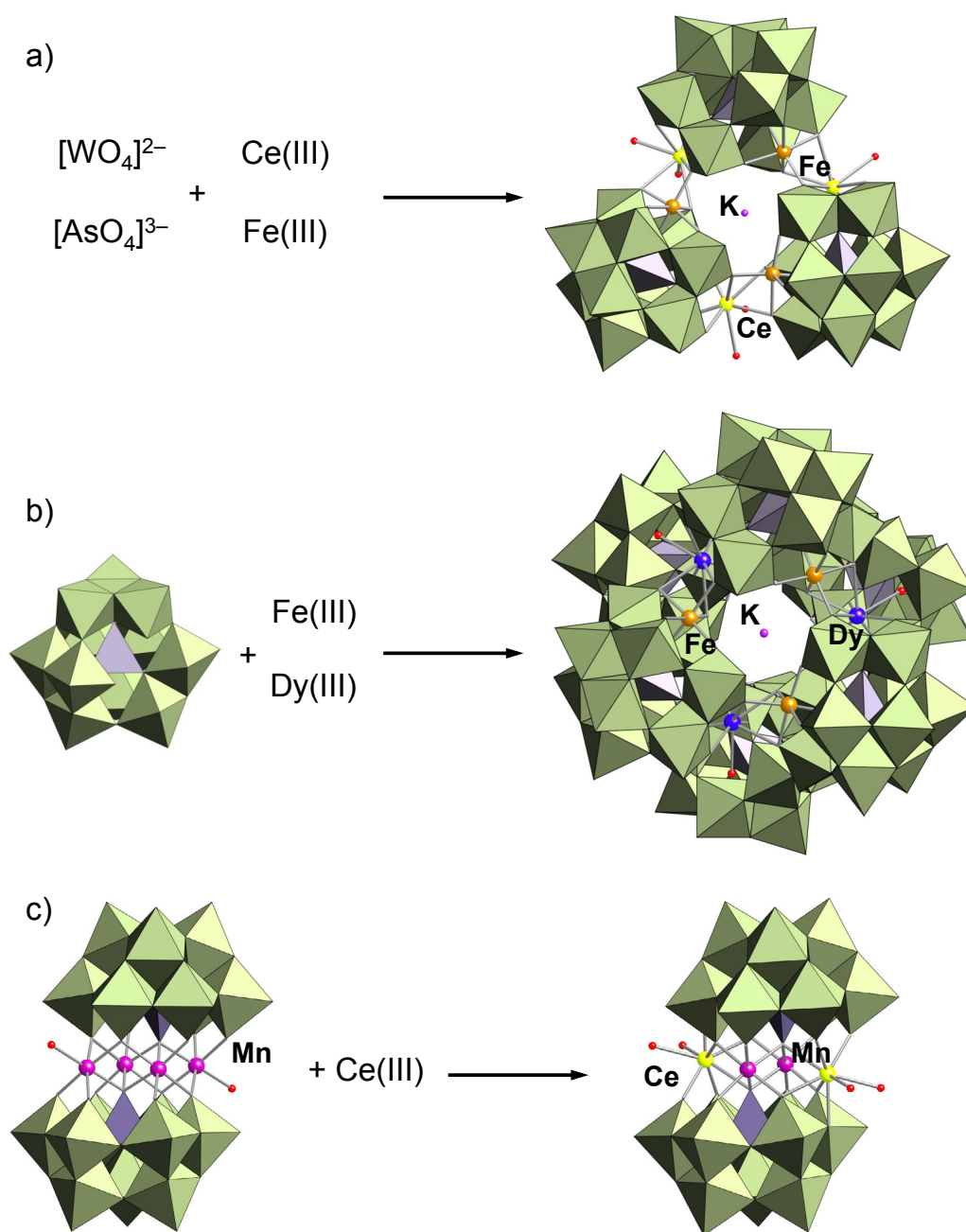


Fig. S5 Schematic representation of the reported synthetic methods for hetero-multinuclear metal-containing POMs. (a) The reaction of two types of metal cations with starting reagents (such as Na_2WO_4 , Na_2HAsO_4),¹² (b) the reaction of two types of metal cations with lacunary POMs,¹³ and (c) the exchange of the substituted metal cations in POMs with other metal cations.¹⁴

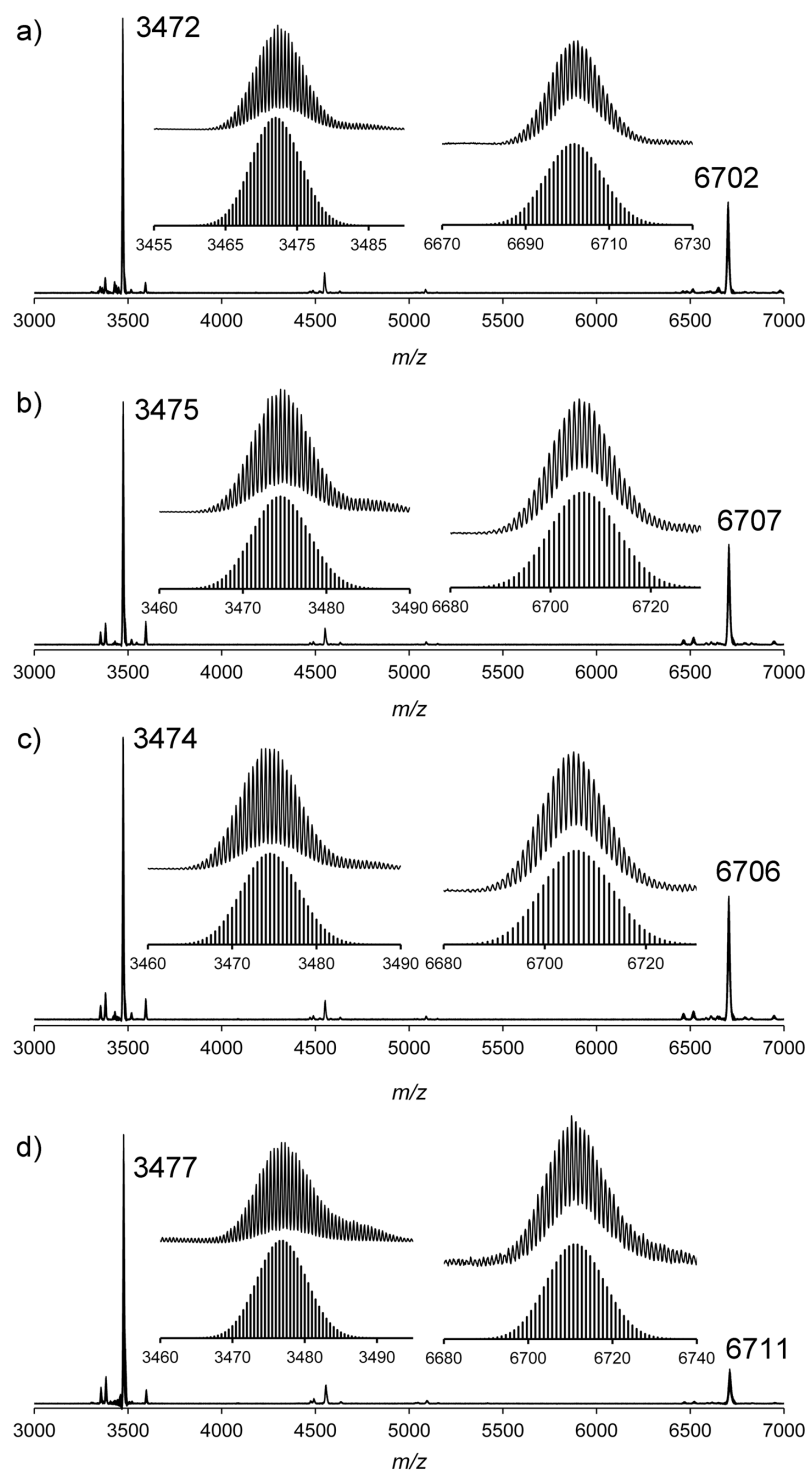


Fig. S6 Positive-ion CSI-mass spectra of (a) **Mn5**, (b) **II_{CoMn4}**, (c) **II_{NiMn4}**, and (d) **II_{CuMn4}** in 1,2-dichloroethane. Insets: (a) spectra in the range of m/z 3455–3490 and 6670–6730 and simulated patterns for $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_2\text{Mn}_5\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^{2+}$ (m/z 3472) and $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_2\text{Mn}_5\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^+$ (m/z 6702), (b) spectra in the range of m/z 3460–3490 and 6680–6730 and simulated patterns for $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_3\text{CoMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^{2+}$ (m/z 3475) and $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_3\text{CoMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^+$ (m/z 6707), (c) spectra in the range of m/z 3460–3490 and 6680–6730 and simulated patterns for $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_3\text{NiMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^{2+}$ (m/z 3474) and $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_3\text{NiMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^+$ (m/z 6706), (d) spectra in the range of m/z 3460–3495 and 6680–6740 and simulated patterns for $[\text{TBA}_9\text{H}_3\text{CuMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^{2+}$ (m/z 3477) and $[\text{TBA}_8\text{H}_3\text{CuMn}_4\text{O}_2(\text{SiW}_9\text{O}_{34})_2]^+$ (m/z 6711).

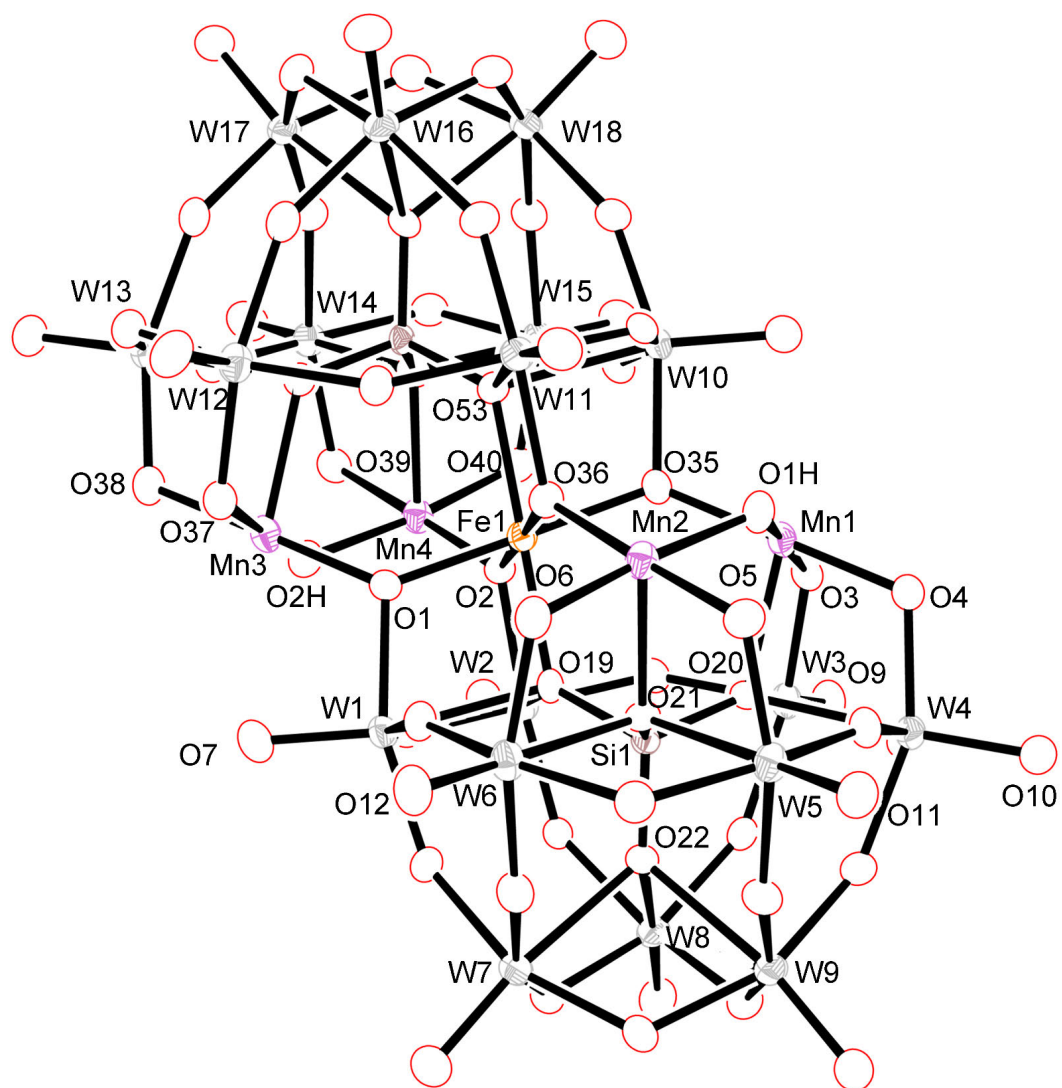


Fig. S7 ORTEP representation of the anion part of **II_{FeMn4}** with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

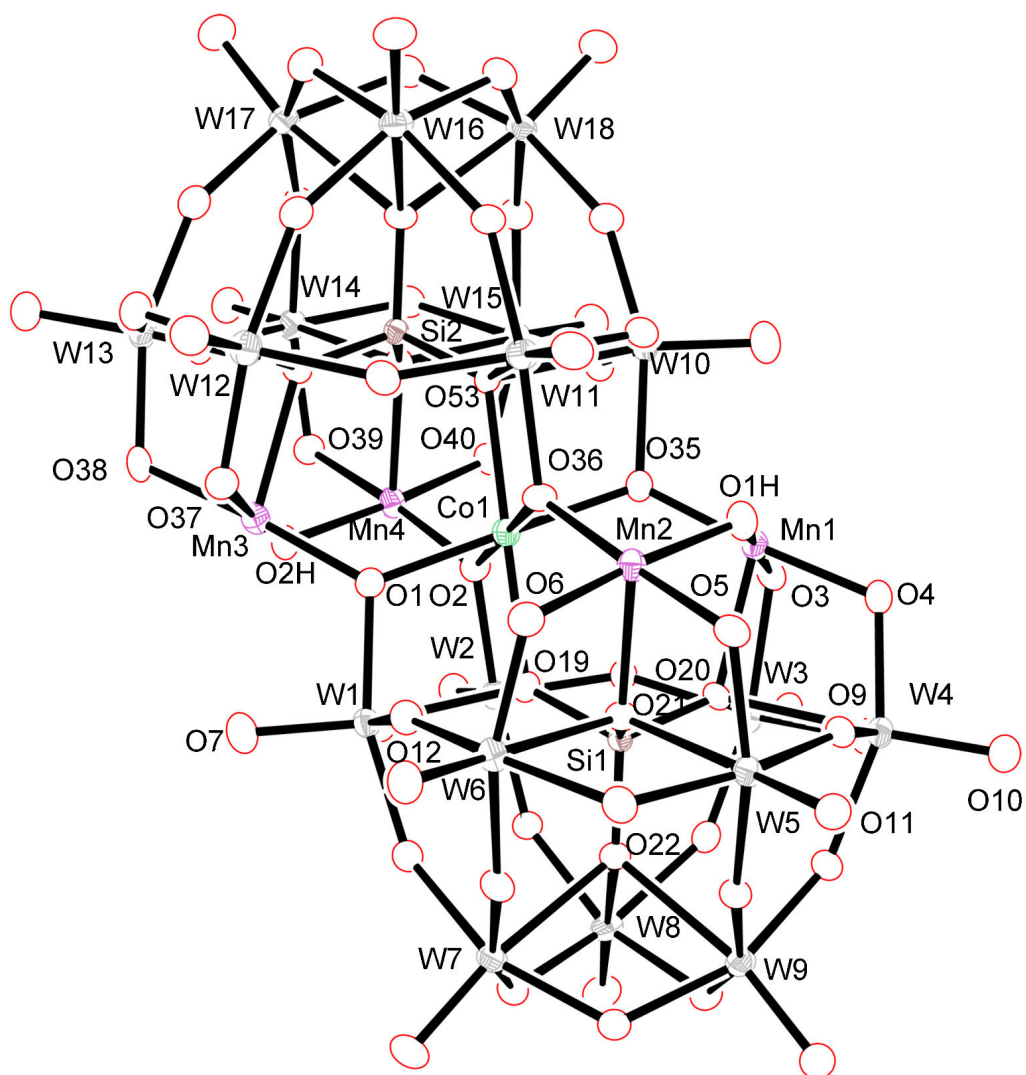


Fig. S8 ORTEP representation of the anion part of $\text{II}_{\text{CoMn}_4}$ with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

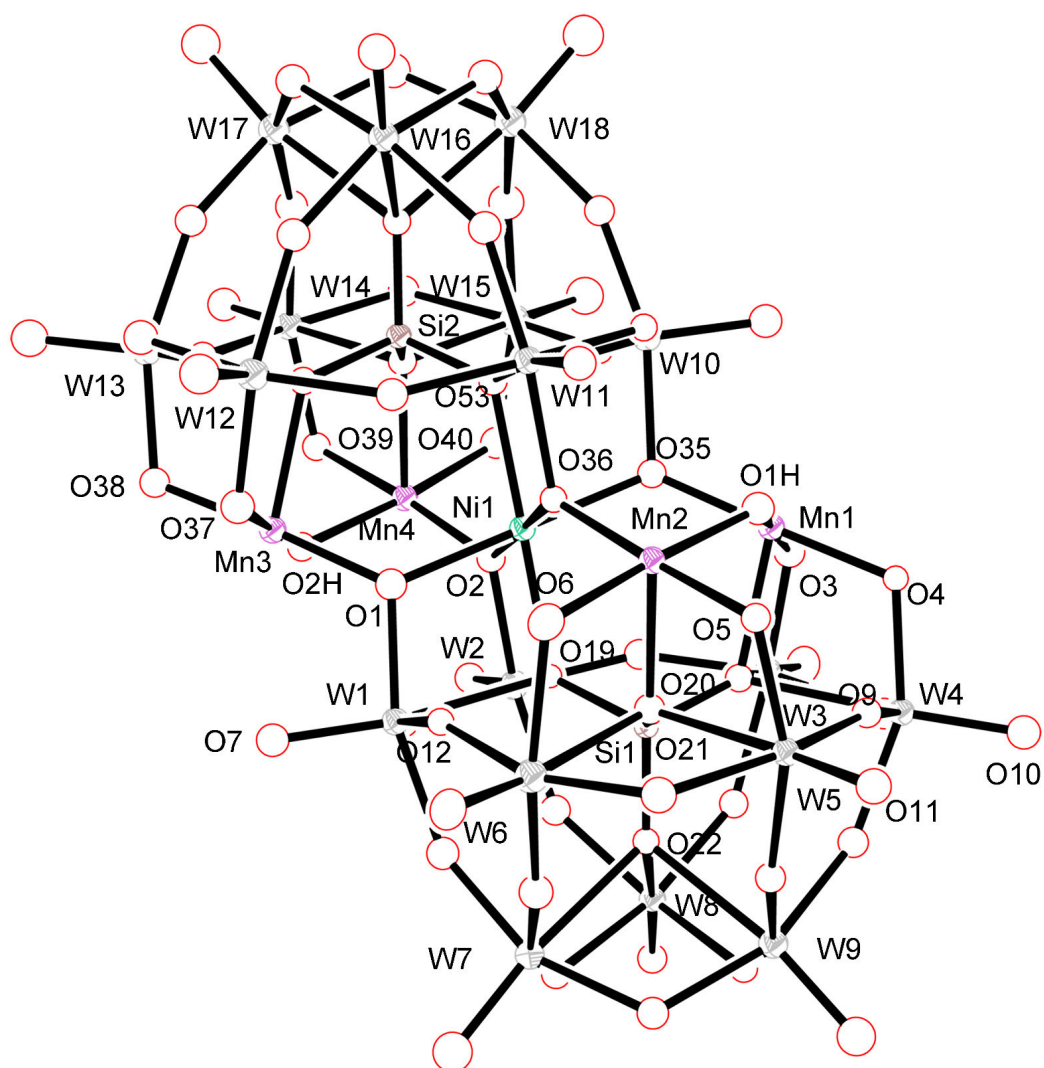


Fig. S9 ORTEP representation of the anion part of II_{NiMn4} with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

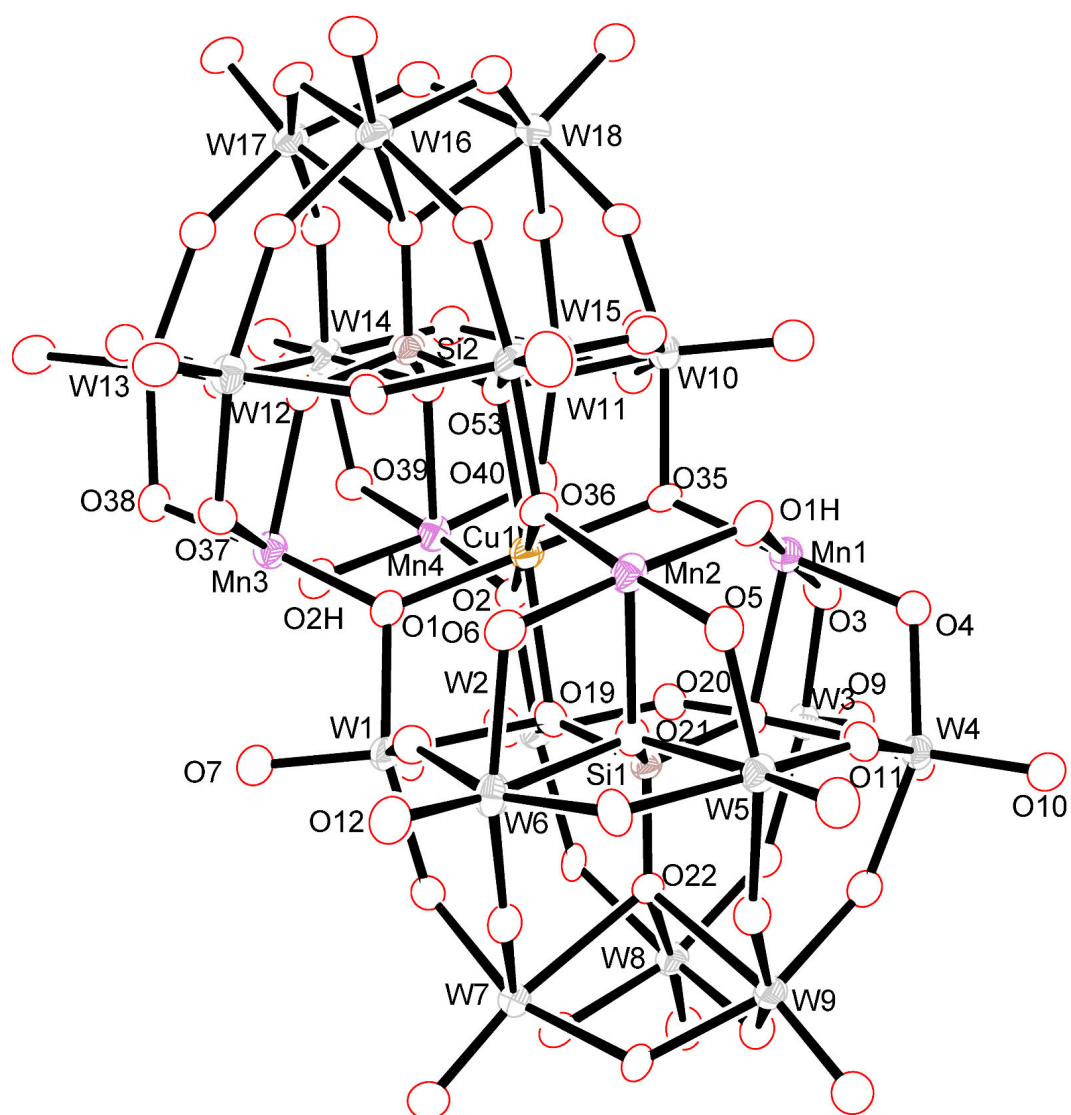


Fig. S10 ORTEP representation of the anion part of **II_{CuMn4}** with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

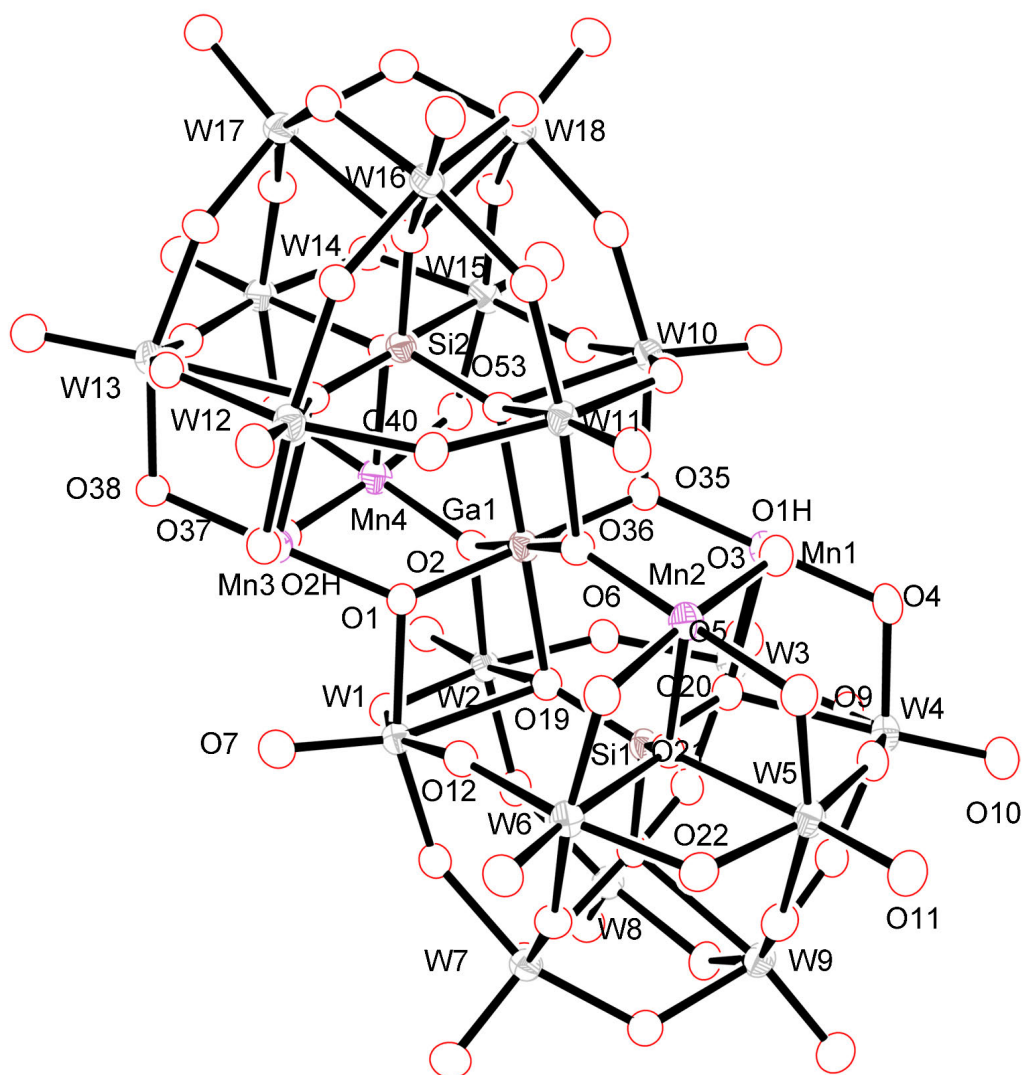


Fig. S11 ORTEP representation of the anion part of $\text{II}_{\text{GaMn}_4}$ with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

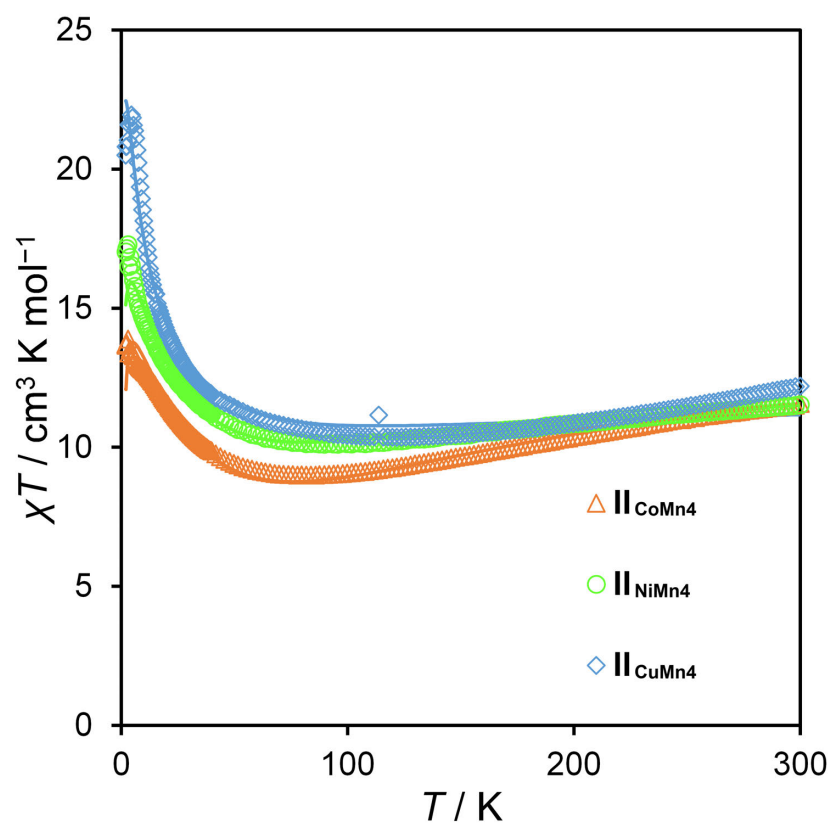


Fig. S12 Temperature dependence of χT for II_{CoMn4} , II_{NiMn4} , and II_{CuMn4} under the applied field of 0.1 T. Solid lines represent the best fits.

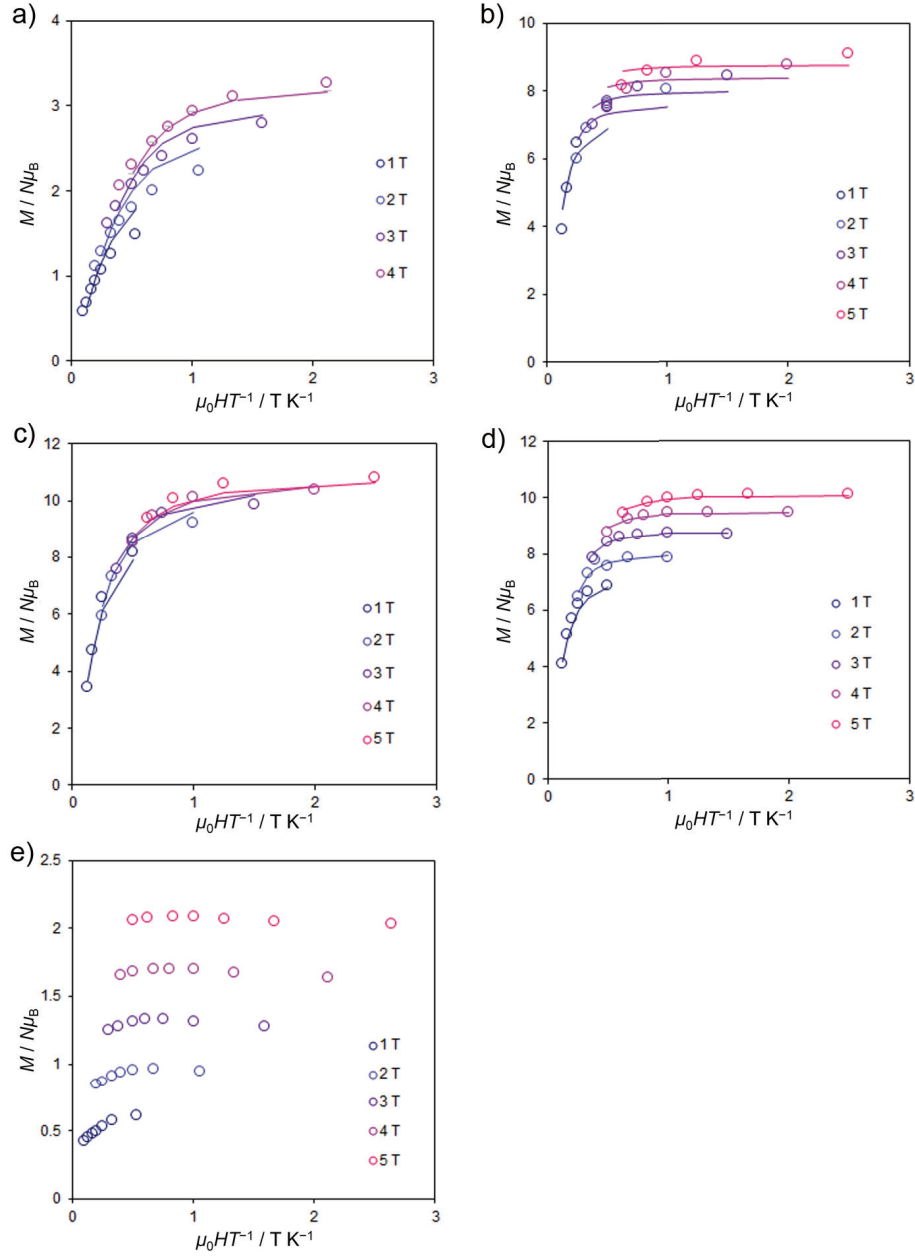


Fig. S13 Low temperature magnetization data for (a) **Mn5**, (b) **II_{CoMn4}**, (c) **II_{NiMn4}**, (d) **II_{CuMn4}**, and (e) **II_{GaMn4}**. Solid lines represent the best fits.

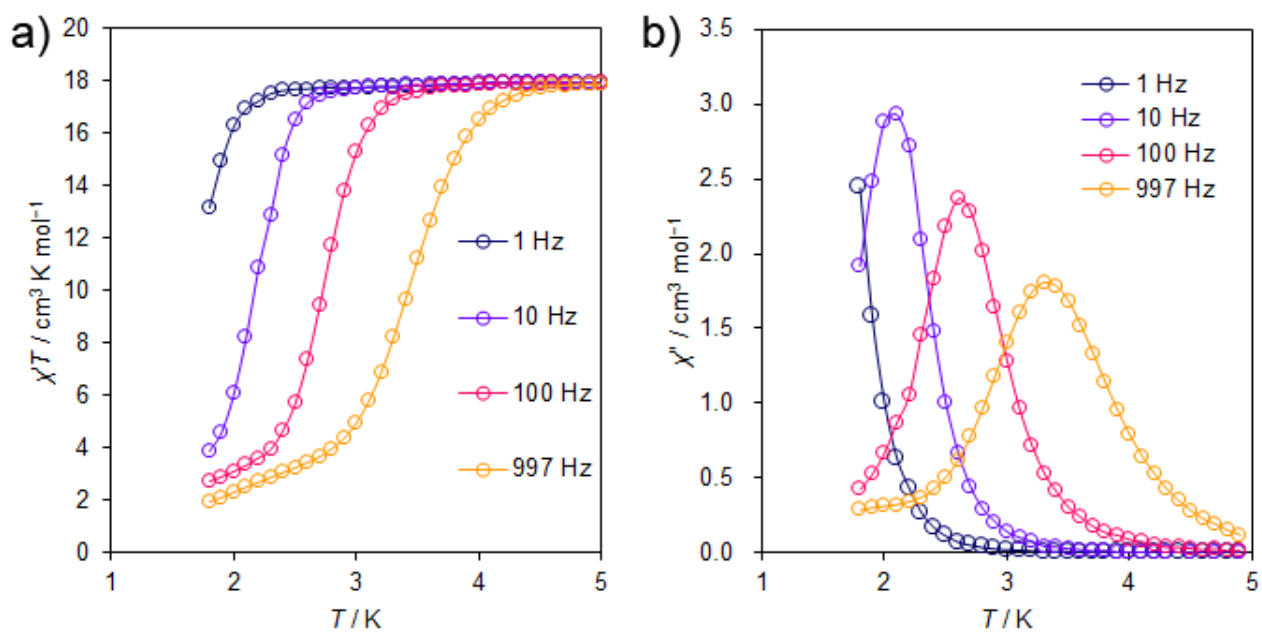


Fig. S14 Temperature dependence of the ac magnetic susceptibility $\chi'T$ and χ'' of II_{FeMn4} under the zero external dc field.

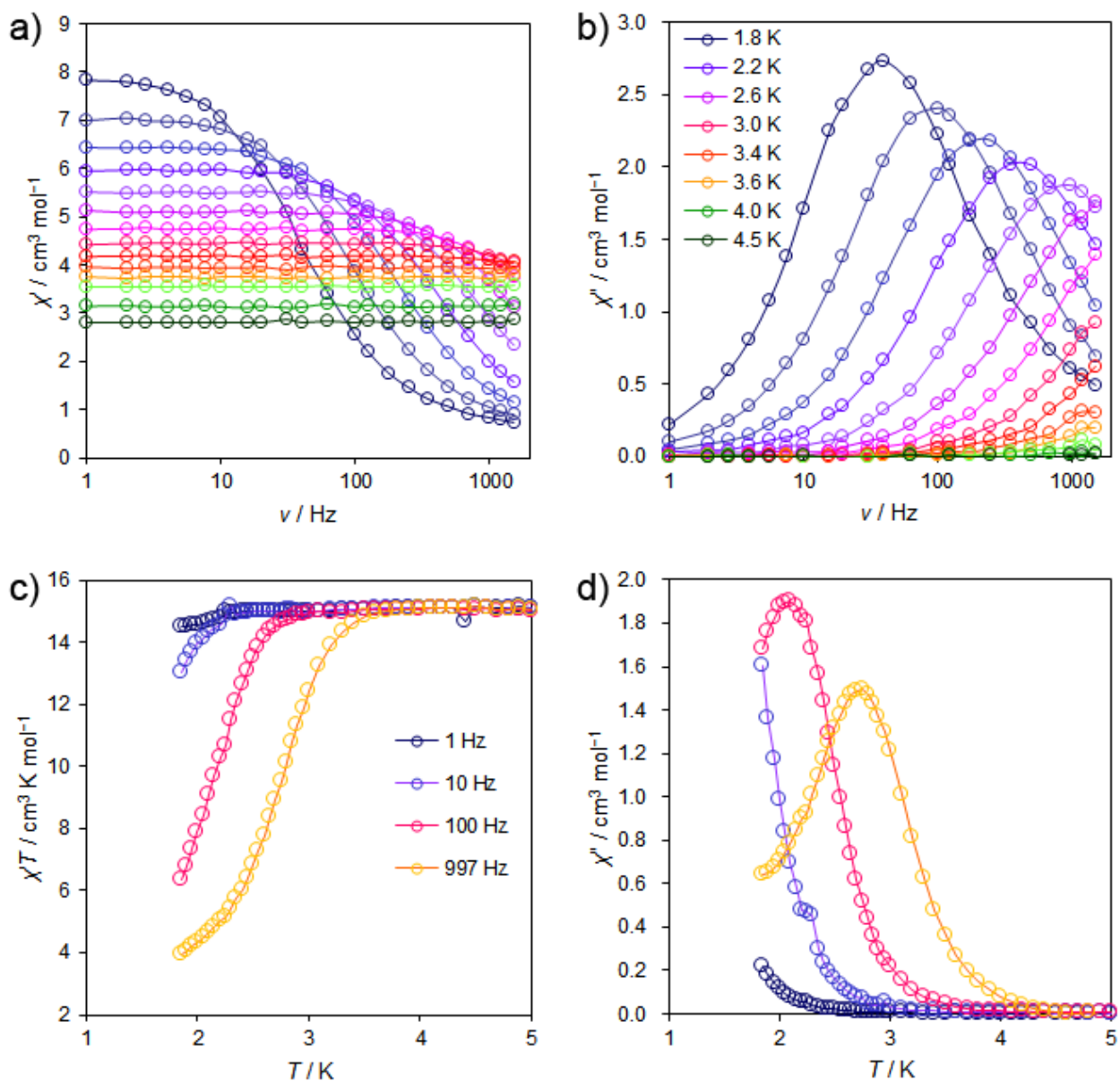


Fig. S15 Frequency dependence of the ac magnetic susceptibility ((a) χ' and (b) χ'') and temperature dependence of the ac magnetic susceptibility ((c) $\chi'T$ and (d) χ'') of $\text{II}_{\text{CoMn}_4}$ under the zero external dc field.

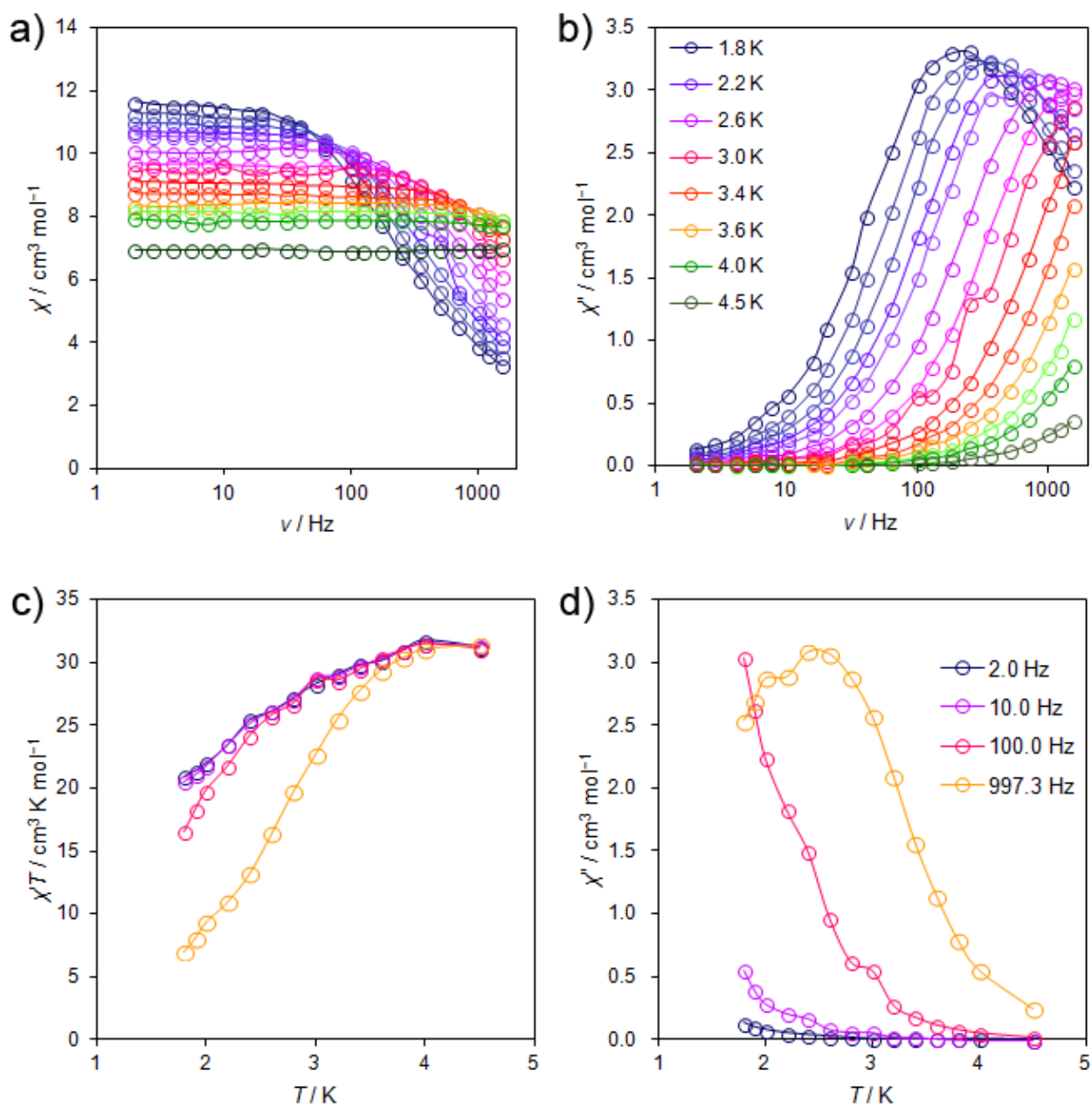


Fig. S16 Frequency dependence of the ac magnetic susceptibility ((a) χ' and (b) χ'') and temperature dependence of the ac magnetic susceptibility ((c) $\chi'T$ and (d) χ'') of II_{NiMn4} under the zero external dc field.

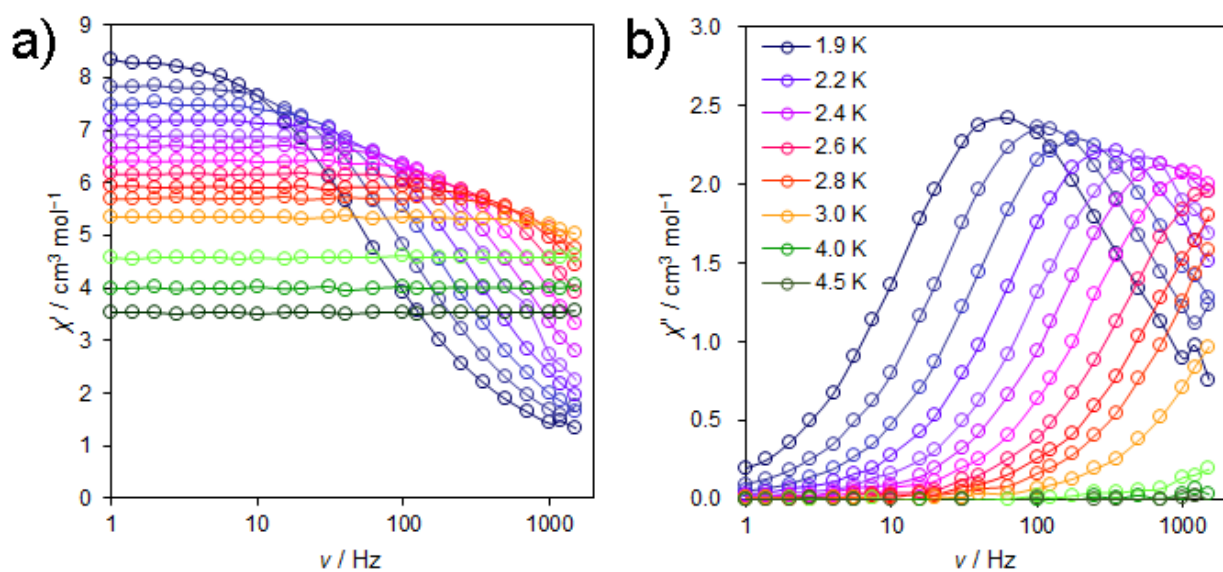


Fig. S17 Frequency dependence of the ac magnetic susceptibility ((a) χ' and (b) χ'') of II_{CuMn4} under the zero external dc field.

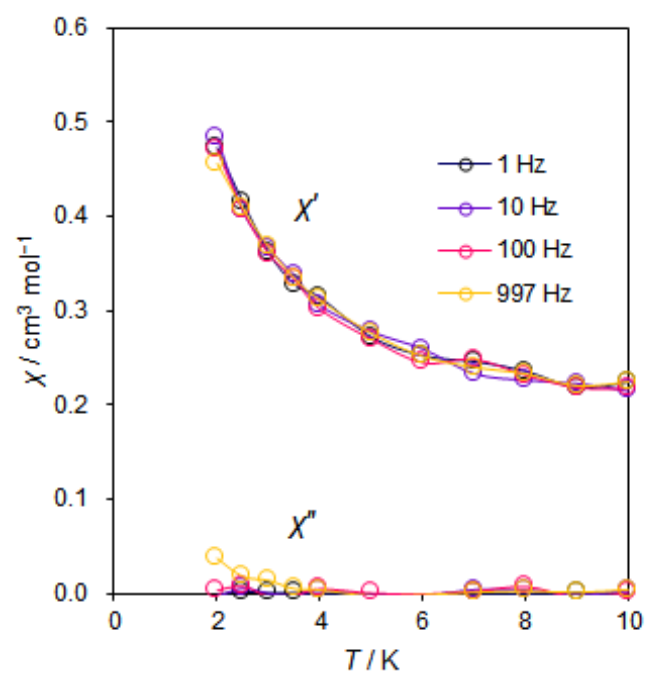


Fig. S18 Temperature dependence of the ac magnetic susceptibility χ' and χ'' of II_{GaMn4} under the zero external dc field.

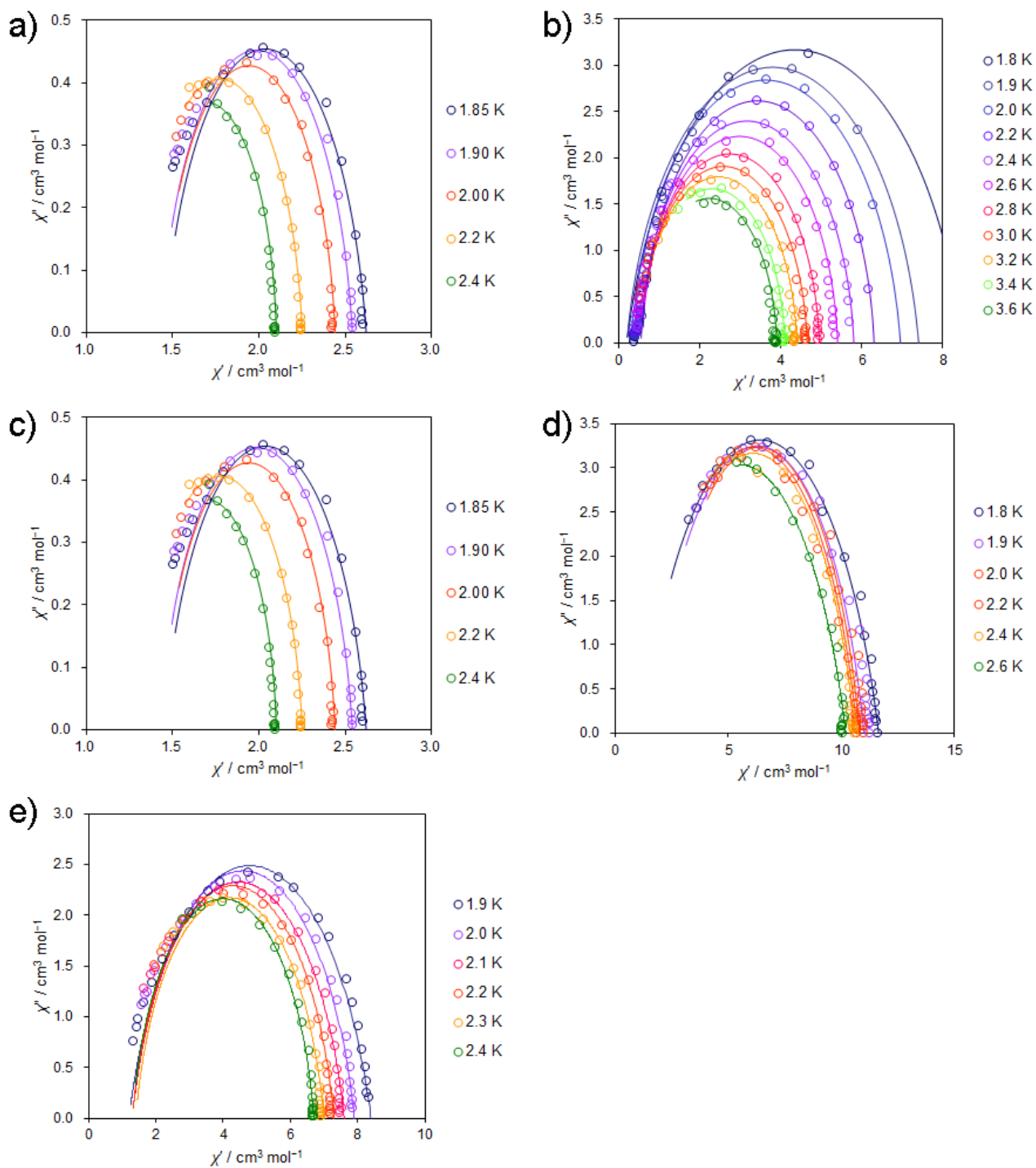


Fig. S19 Cole-Cole plots for ac magnetic susceptibility of (a) Mn_5 , (b) $\text{II}_{\text{FeMn}_4}$, (c) $\text{II}_{\text{CoMn}_4}$, (d) $\text{II}_{\text{NiMn}_4}$, and (e) $\text{II}_{\text{CuMn}_4}$. The solid curves are theoretical calculations on the basis of the generalized Debye model.

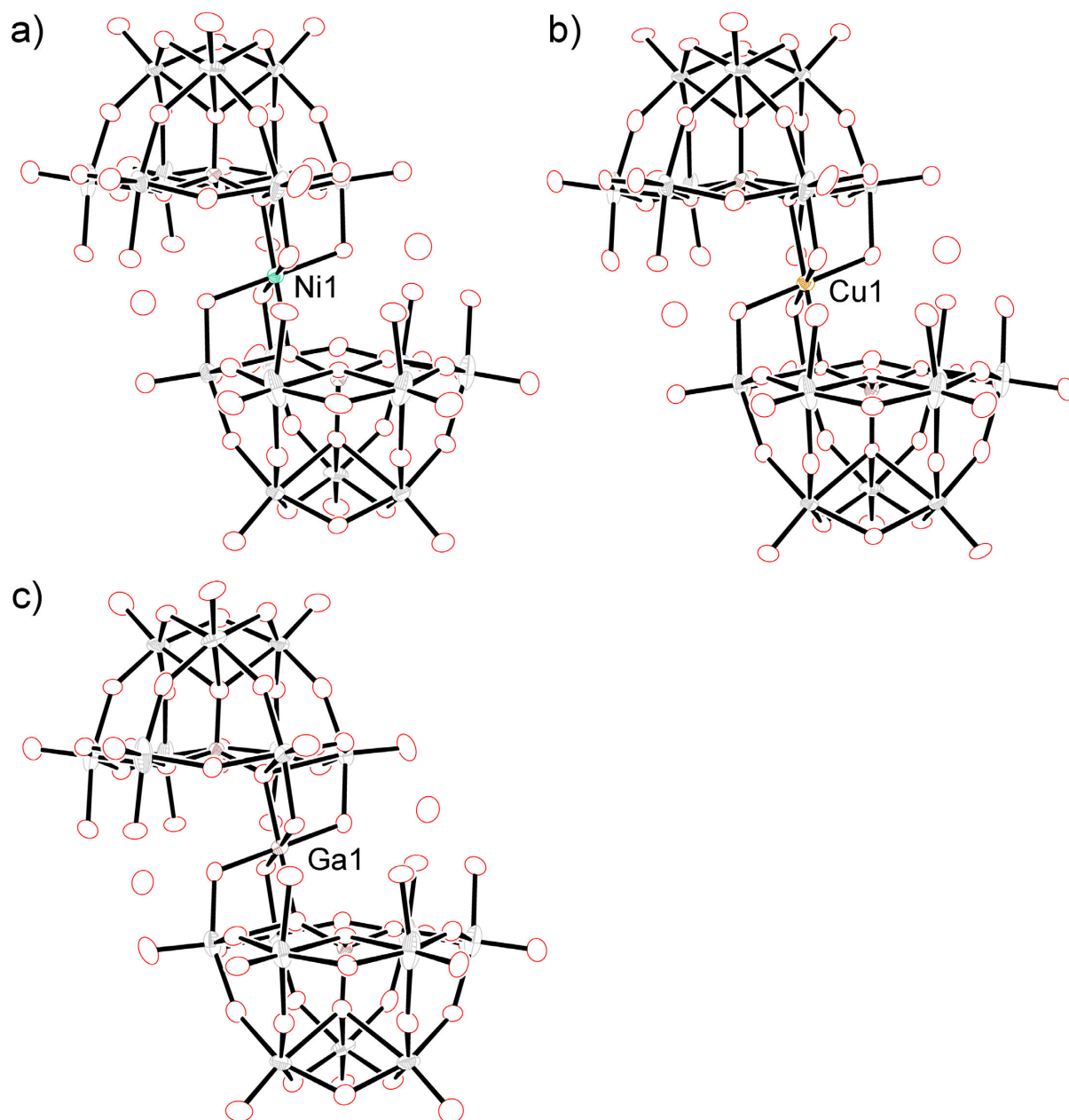


Fig. S20 ORTEP representations of the anion parts of (a) I_{Ni} , (b) I_{Cu} , and (c) I_{Ga} with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probably level.

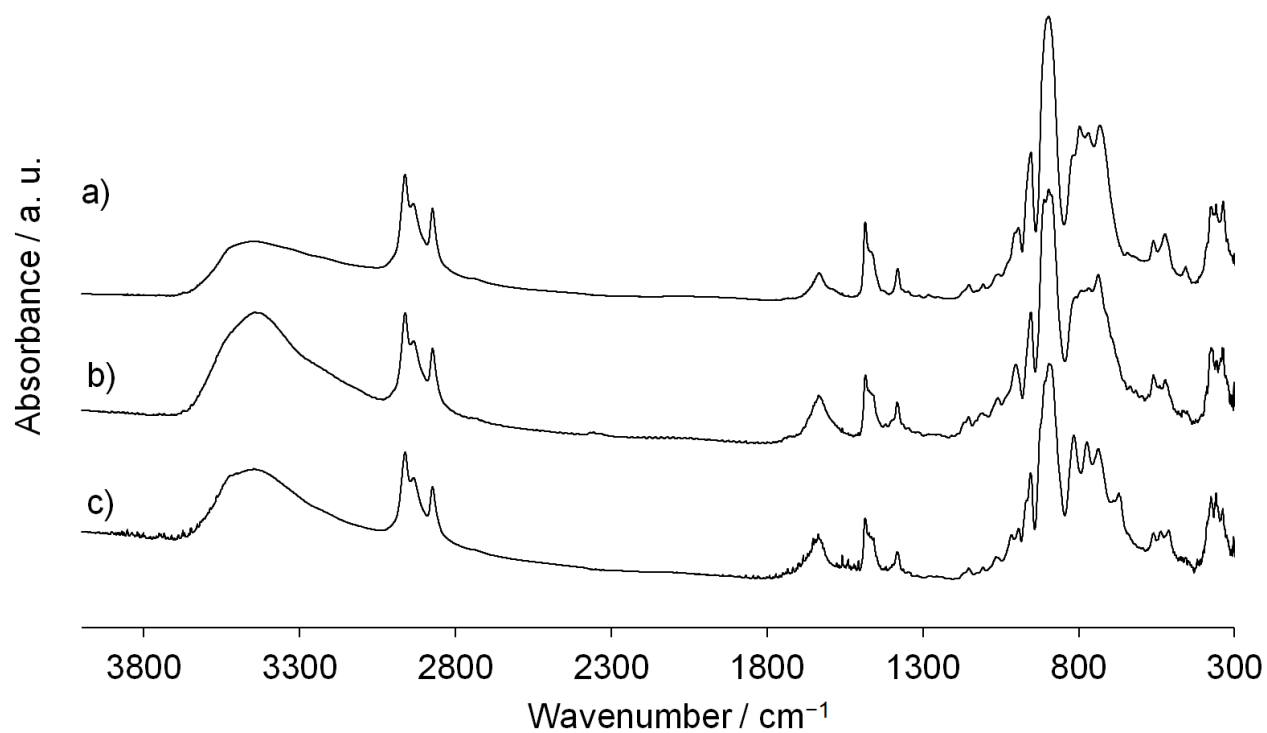


Fig. S21 IR spectra of (a) $\mathbf{I}_{\text{Ni}}$, (b) $\mathbf{I}_{\text{Cu}}$, and (c) $\mathbf{I}_{\text{Ga}}$.

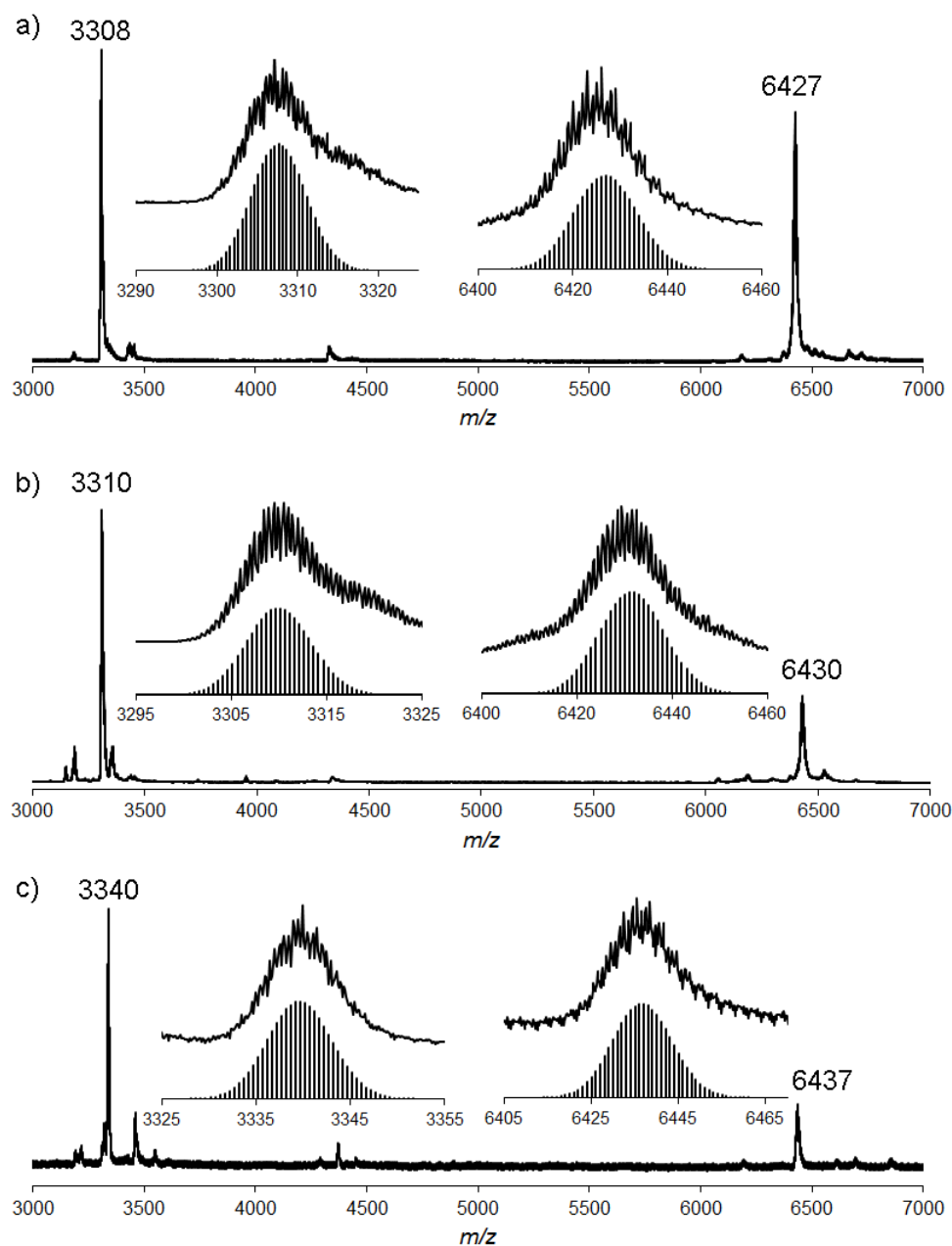


Fig. S22 Positive-ion CSI-mass spectra of (a) I_{Ni} , (b) I_{Cu} , and (b) I_{Ga} in 1,2-dichloroethane. Inset: (a) spectra in the range of m/z 3290–3325 and 6400–6460 and simulated patterns for $[TBA_9HCo(SiW_9O_{31})(SiW_9O_{32})]^{2+}$ (m/z 3308) and $[TBA_8H_7Co(SiW_9O_{33})_2]^+$ (m/z 6427), (b) spectra in the range of m/z 3295–3325 and 6400–6460 and simulated patterns for $[TBA_9HCu(SiW_9O_{31})(SiW_9O_{32})]^{2+}$ (m/z 3310) and $[TBA_8H_7Cu(SiW_9O_{33})_2]^+$ (m/z 6430), and (c) spectra in the range of m/z 3325–3355 and 6405–6460 and simulated patterns for $[TBA_9H_6Ga(SiW_9O_{33})_2]^{2+}$ (m/z 3340) and $[TBA_8H_6Ga(SiW_9O_{33})_2]^+$ (m/z 6437).

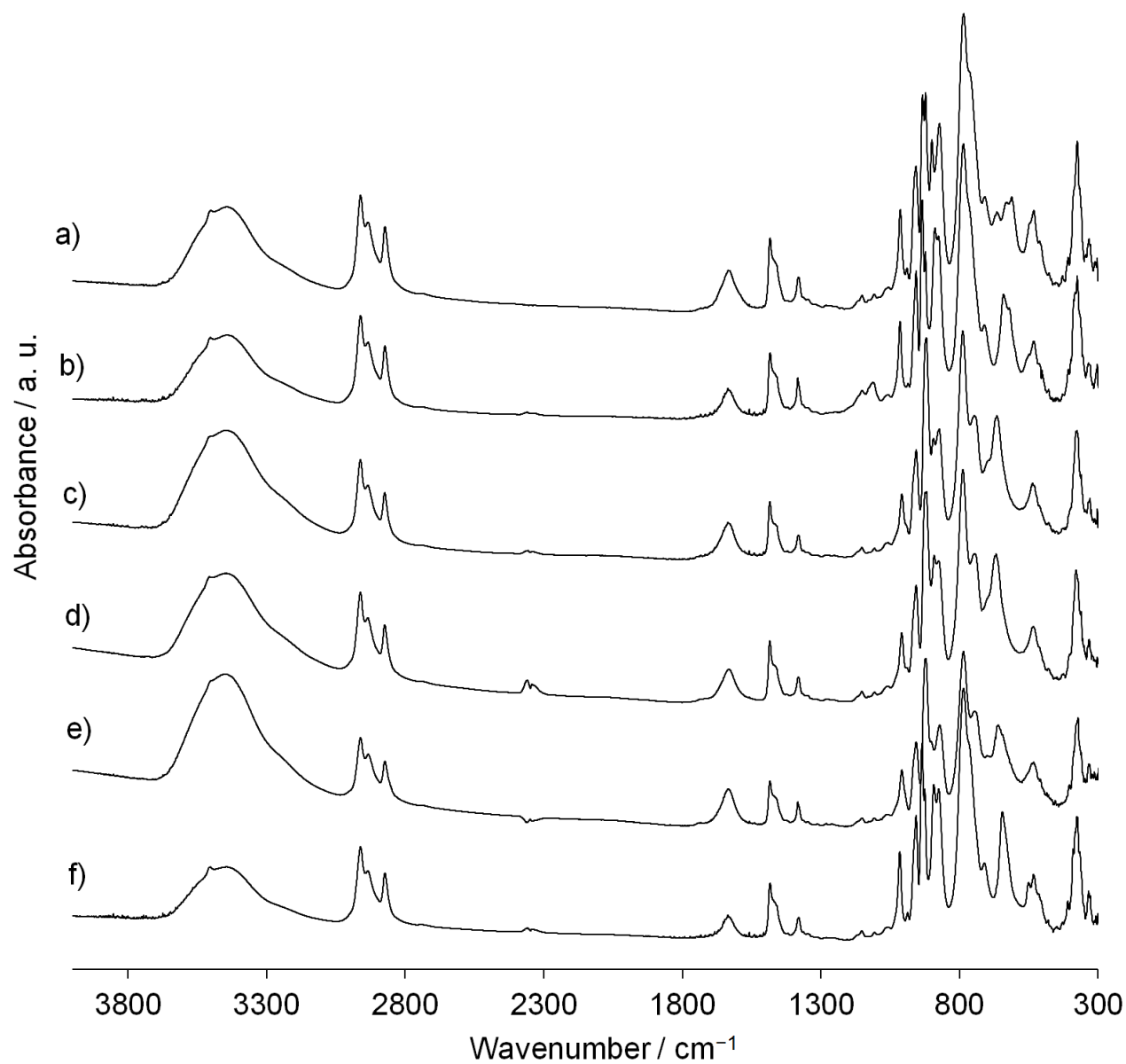


Fig. S23 IR spectra of (a) **Mn5**, (b) **II_{FeMn4}**, (c) **II_{CoMn4}**, (d) **II_{NiMn4}**, (e) **II_{CuMn4}**, and (f) **II_{GaMn4}**.

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