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Supporting Information

An Organic-Inorganic Hybrid Co-crystal Complex as High

Performance Solid-State Nonlinear Optical Switch

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Figure S8. Crystal structure of unit cell for 1 in the "SHG-OFF" state viewed from the [001] direction. For the organic H₂dabco·2Cl component, C and Ν located in their disordered sites according to the symmetry atoms are requirements. The average protonated N atoms of the dabco cation are located (0.5, 0.5, 0.5) and the average uncoordinated Cl atom are located (0.5, 0.5, 0.5). We assume that the dipole centers are located at the average protonated N and uncoordinated Cl atoms. Accordingly, the molecular dipolar moments of organic species are zero. The inorganic [FeCl₃(H₂O)₃] component are located in the symmetric mirror plane. The coordinate of the Fe atom and Cl2 atom are $Y_i = 0.25$ or 0.75. We assume that the dipole centers are located at the Fe and Cl2 atom. Consequently, the molecular dipolar moments of inorganic species are also zero.



Figure S9. Crystal structure of unit cell for **1** in the "SHG-ON" state viewed from the [100] direction. One can clearly see all atoms have been determined in the definitive sites. The average N atom of the dabco cation and the average two uncoordinated Cl atom (Cl4 and Cl5 atom) along *c*-axis is 0.4954 and 0.5096. Therefore, their displacements are $-0.0046 \times |b|$ and $0.0096 \times |b|$, respectively. In addition, the coordinates of four Fe atoms along *c*-axis are 0.7439, 0.2439, 0.2561 and 0.7561, respectively; the coordinates of four Cl2 atoms along *c*-axis are 0.6072, 0.1072, 0.3928 and 0.8928, respectively. Thus, their displacements are $-0.0061 \times |b|$ and $-0.1428 \times |b|$, respectively. Although the total polarity of **1** is zero since it crystallizes in the nonpolar space group $P2_12_12_1$, the molecular dipole moment (μ) of the organic H₂dabco·2Cl component and inorganic [FeCl₃(H₂O)₃] component along its *c*-axis (in LTP) can be approximately estimated to be:

 μ (organic component) = (0.0096+0.0046) × 2 × 16.9517 × 10⁻¹⁰ m × 1.6×10⁻¹⁹ C = 0.716 × 10⁻²⁹ C·m

 μ (inorganic component) = (-0.1428+0.0061) × 3× 16.9517 × 10⁻¹⁰ m × 1.6×10⁻¹⁹ C = -11.1× 10⁻²⁹ C·m

 μ (molecule of 1) = 0.716 × 10⁻²⁹ C·m + (-11.1× 10⁻²⁹ C·m) = -10.3 × 10⁻²⁹ C·m

Temperature (K)	293(2)	100(2)			
Moiety formula	$C_6H_8Cl_5FeN_2O_3$	$C_6H_8Cl_5FeN_2O_3$			
Formula weight	401.34	401.34			
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic			
Space group	Pnma	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁			
a/Å	12.7268(6)	6.9337(2)			
b/Å	17.1535(7)	12.7285(4)			
$c/{ m \AA}$	7.0352(3)	16.9517(7)			
Volume (Å ³)	1535.85(12)	1524.67 (3)			
Ζ	4	4			
<i>F</i> (000)	772.0	820.0			
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.045	1.135			
$R_1 (\text{on } F_o^2, I > 2\sigma(I))$	0.0421	0.0321			
wR_2 (on F_o^2 , $I > 2\sigma(I)$)	0.1272	0.0834			
$\alpha R_1 = \Sigma F_0 - F_c / \Sigma F_0 , \ w R_2 = [\Sigma(F_0 ^2 - F_c ^2) / \Sigma F_0 ^2]^{1/2}$					

Table S1. Crystal Data and structure refinement of 1 at 100 K and 293 K $\,$

Bonds	Bond angle	Bonds	Bond lengths
O3–Fe(1) –O1	90.429°	Fe(1) –O1	2.0662 Å
O3–Fe(1) –O2	179.468°	Fe(1) –O2	2.0564 Å
O3–Fe(1) –Cl1	90.055°	Fe(1) –O3	2.0456 Å
O3–Fe(1) –Cl2	89.334°	Fe(1) –Cl1	2.3292 Å
O2-Fe(1) -O1	90.103°	Fe(1) –Cl2	2.3268 Å
O2–Fe(1) –Cl1	89.99°		
O2–Fe(1) –Cl2	90.134°		
Cl1-Fe(1) -Cl3	170.286°		

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Table S3 The bond lengths and bond angles of the octahedron $[FeCl_3(H_2O)_3]$ of **1** in LTP.

Bonds	Bond angle	Bonds	Bond lengths
O3–Fe(1) –O1	90.576°	Fe(1) –O1	2.0600 Å
O3–Fe(1) –O2	179.277°	Fe(1) –O2	2.0476 Å
O3–Fe(1) –Cl1	91.173°	Fe(1) –O3	2.0436 Å
O3–Fe(1) –Cl2	89.503°	Fe(1) –Cl1	2.3319 Å
O3–Fe(1) –Cl3	89.575°	Fe(1) –Cl2	2.3350 Å
O2–Fe(1) –O1	90.108°	Fe(1) –Cl3	2.3292 Å
O2–Fe(1) –Cl1	89.122°		
O2–Fe(1) –Cl2	89.814°		
O2–Fe(1) –Cl3	90.246°		
Cl1-Fe(1) -Cl3	170.21°		