

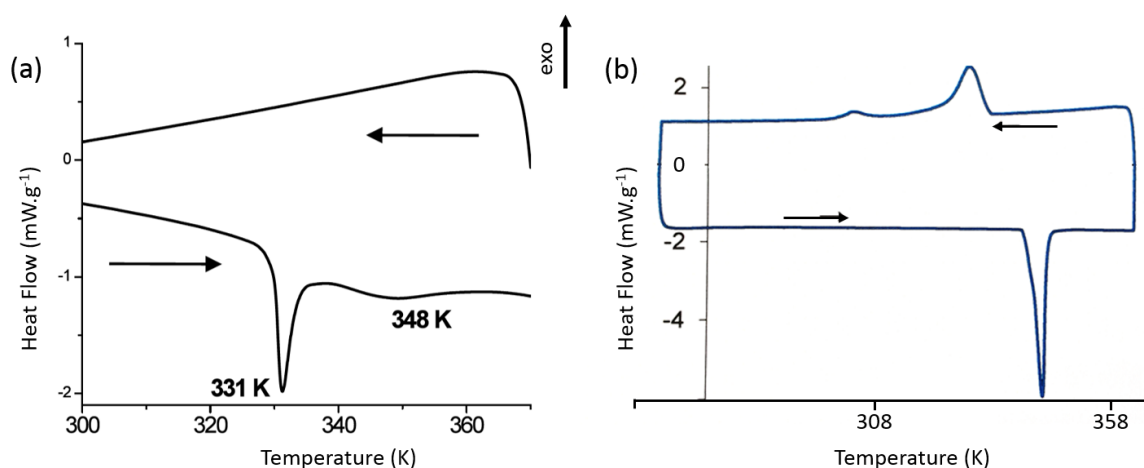
## **Preserving Spin Transition Properties of Iron-Triazole Coordination Polymers Within Silica-Based Nanocomposites**

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### **Supplementary Information**

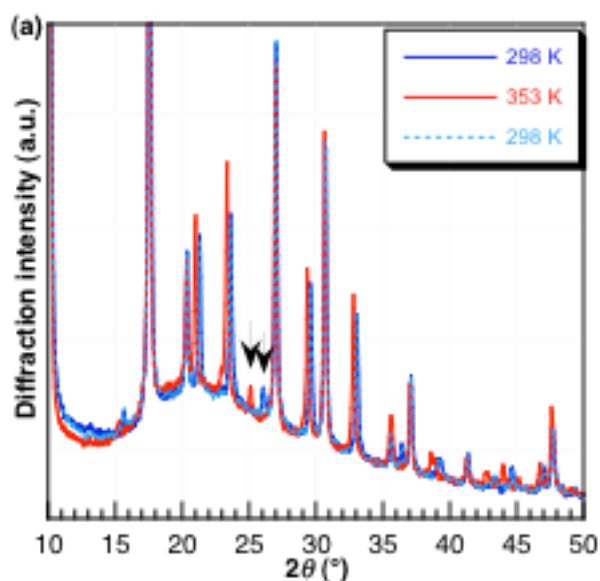
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## 1. DSC OF AN AMORPHOUS GEL AND CRYSTALLINE PRECIPITATE



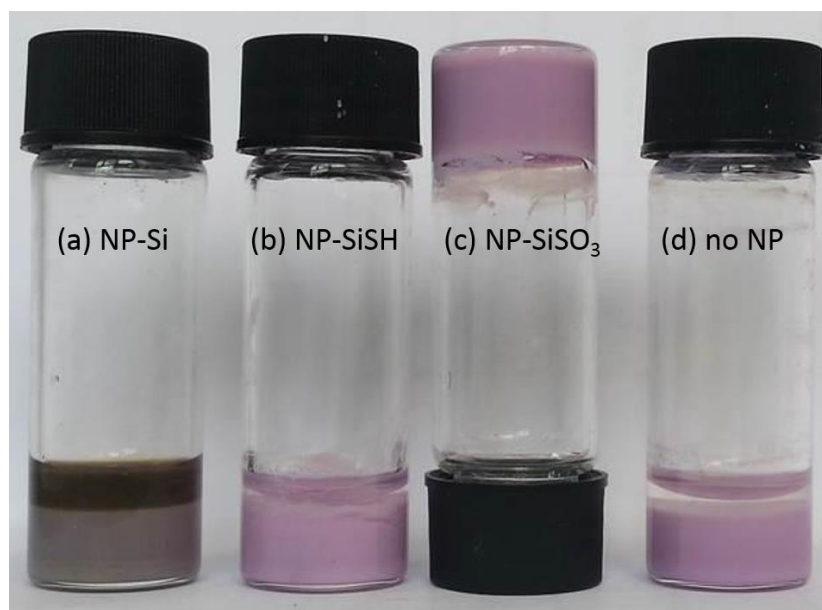
**Figure S1.** DSC curves performed at scan rate of 5K.min<sup>-1</sup> upon a second cycle (a) for pink [Fe(HTrz)<sub>3</sub>]Br<sub>2</sub> in glycerol and (b) for pink [Fe(ATrz)<sub>3</sub>](SO<sub>4</sub>) crystalline precipitate in water.

## 2. XRPD OF THE SUSPENSION AT DIFFERENT TEMPERATURES



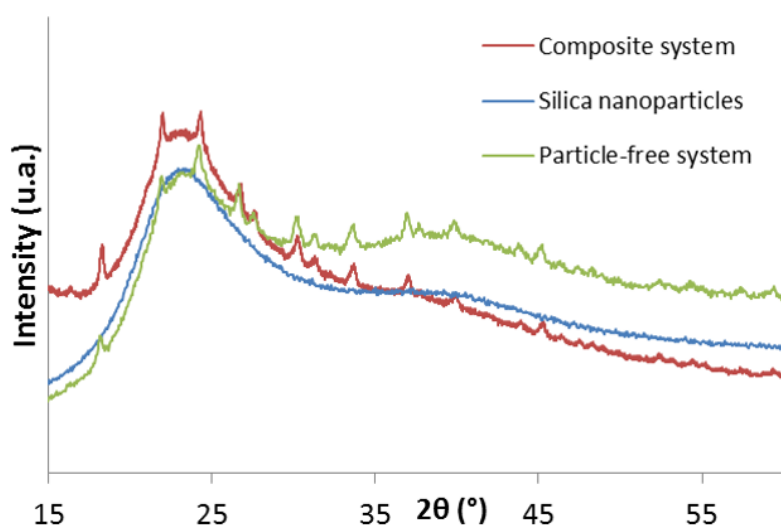
**Figure S2.** XRPD diffractograms of the 9 days-old Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> suspension at room temperature (line blue), at T = 353 K (red) and at room temperature after the heating/cooling cycle (dashed line blue).

### 3. EFFECT OF SILICA PARTICLES ADDITION AND SURFACE CHEMISTRY



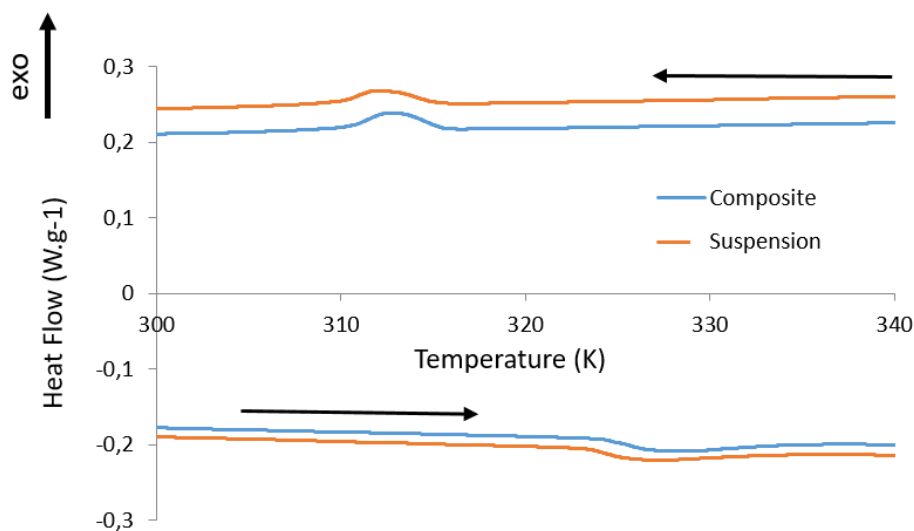
**Figure S3.** Macroscopic aspect of (a-c) NP-Si@Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> composites with different surface chemistry of silica nanoparticles: (a) unmodified silica nanoparticles (NP-Si), (b) thiol-modified silica nanoparticles (NP-SiSH), and (c) sulfonate-modified silica particles (NP-SiSO<sub>3</sub>). (d) Macroscopic aspect of Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> suspension in absence of nanoparticles.

### 4. XRPD OF THE COMPOSITE SYSTEM AND OF ITS COMPONENTS



**Figure S4.** XRPD diffractograms of the 9 days-old NP-SiSO<sub>3</sub>@Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> composite (red), of the NP-SiSO<sub>3</sub> nanoparticles alone (blue) and of the 9 days-old Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> suspension (green).

## 5. DSC OF Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> SUSPENSION AND NP-SiSO<sub>3</sub>@Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> COMPOSITE



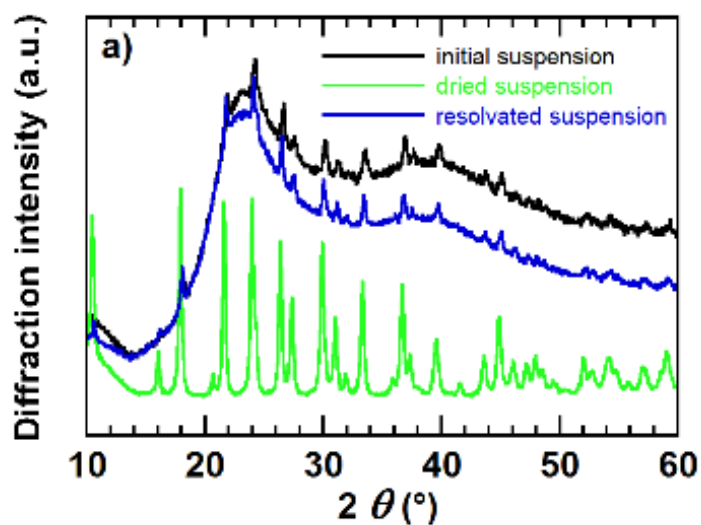
**Figure S5.** DSC profiles for NP-SiSO<sub>3</sub>@Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> composite (in blue) and Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> suspension (in red) aged for 9 days in a mixture of water/glycerol at scan rate of 5 K.min<sup>-1</sup> upon a second thermal cycle.

## 6. SUMMARY TABLE OF RESULTS FROM DSC AND MAGNETIC MEASUREMENTS FOR THE FOUR SYSTEMS

	Fe/ATrz/SO <sub>4</sub>	NP-SiSO <sub>3</sub> @Fe/ATrz/SO <sub>4</sub>	DRIED	DRIED
	Suspension	Composite	Suspension	Composite
T ↑ (K) <sup>a</sup>	322	330	343	343
Or T <sub>max</sub> ↑ (K) <sup>b</sup>	(325)	(328)	(333)	(329)
T ↓ (K) <sup>a</sup>	311	316	329	329
Or T <sub>max</sub> ↓ (K) <sup>b</sup>	(310)	(315)	(321)	(312)
ΔT (K) <sup>a</sup>	10	14	14	14
Or ΔT (K) <sup>b</sup>	(15)	(13)	(12b)	(17)
ΔH ↑ (kJ.mol <sup>-1</sup> )	n.d.	12.5	14.5	14.5
Or ΔH ↑ (kJ.sample g <sup>-1</sup> )		(11.1)	(35.3)	(8.7)
ΔH ↓ (kJ.mol <sup>-1</sup> )	n.d.	11.9	14.5	14.5
Or ΔH ↑ (kJ.sample g <sup>-1</sup> )		(10.6)	(36.0)	(7.9)

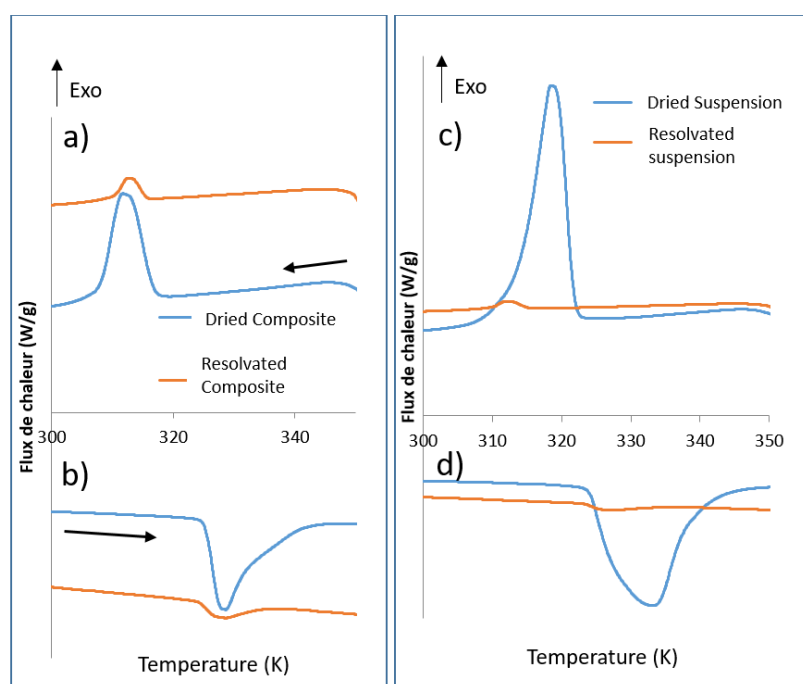
**Table S1:** Transition temperatures on warming and cooling from (a) magnetic and (b) DSC measurements, and thermodynamic parameters for Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> suspension, NP-SiSO<sub>3</sub>@Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> composite and the dried samples (n.d.: not determined).

## 7. EFFECT OF DRYING AND RESOLUTION OF THE Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> SUSPENSION



**Figure S6.** XRPD diffractograms of the initial Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> suspension (in black), the dried suspension powder (in green) and the resoluted suspension (in blue).

## 8. DSC PROFILES OF THE DRIED AND RESOLVATED SAMPLES



**Figure S7.** DSC Profiles for the dried (in blue) and resoluted (in red) samples of NP-SiSO<sub>3</sub>@Fe/ATrzSO<sub>4</sub> composite or Fe/ATrz/SO<sub>4</sub> suspension studied on warming (b and d) and cooling (a and c) at variable temperatures with a scan rate of 5K.min<sup>-1</sup> upon a second thermal cycle.