## Multivariant synthesis, crystal structures and properties of four

## nickel coordination polymers based on flexible ligands

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Table S1. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) for compounds 1-4

Compound 1					
N(1)-Ni(1)	2.131(4)	O(9)-Ni(2)-N(2)#4	94.02(13)	O(1)-Ni(1)-N(1)	93.75(13)
N(2)-Ni(2)#1	2.107(4)	O(3)-Ni(2)-O(9)	91.41(12)	O(1)#2-Ni(1)-N(1)	86.25(13)
Ni(1)-O(1)	2.032(3)	O(1)#2-Ni(1)-O(8)	88.14(12)	O(8)-Ni(1)-N(1)	90.93(14)
Ni(1)-O(8)	2.096(3)	O(9)-Ni(2)-O(9)#3	180.0	O(8)#2-Ni(1)-N(1)	89.07(14)
Ni(2)-O(3)	2.048(3)	O(3)-Ni(2)-N(2)#4	90.55(14)	N(1)-Ni(1)-N(1)#2	180.00(18)
Ni(2)-O(9)	2.084(3)	O(3)#3-Ni(2)-O(9)	88.59(12)	O(9)#3-Ni(2)-N(2)#4	85.98(13)
O(1)-Ni(1)-O(8)	91.86(12)	O(3)-Ni(2)-O(3)#3	180.00(16)	O(3)#3-Ni(2)-N(2)#4	89.45(14)
O(1)-Ni(1)-O(1)#2	180.0				

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 x,y-1,z, #2 -x+1,-y,-z, #3 -x+1,-y+1,-z+1, #4 -

x+1,-y,-z+1, #5 x,y+1,z for 1.						
Compound 2						
N(1)-Ni(1)	2.103(5)	O(9)#2-Ni(1)-O(1)	94.53(14)	O(6)#3-Ni(1)-N(2)#1	86.81(17)	
N(2)-Ni(1)#1	2.136(4)	O(9)#2-Ni(1)-O(6)#3	90.43(15)	O(4)#2-Ni(1)-N(2)#1	85.37(15)	
Ni(1)-O(9)#2	1.994(3)	O(1)-Ni(1)-O(6)#3	89.74(16)	N(1)-Ni(1)-N(2)#1	93.05(19)	
Ni(1)-O(1)	2.057(4)	O(9)#2-Ni(1)-O(4)#2	95.23(13)	O(2)#4-Ni(2)-O(2)	90.8(2)	
Ni(1)-O(6)#3	2.065(4)	O(1)-Ni(1)-O(4)#2	169.81(15)	O(2)#4-Ni(2)-O(9)#2	173.46(14)	
Ni(1)-O(4)#2	2.069(4)	O(6)#3-Ni(1)-O(4)#2	87.23(16)	O(9)-Ni(3)-O(7)#6	88.35(14)	
Ni(2)-O(2)#4	2.048(4)	O(9)#2-Ni(1)-N(1)	89.74(17)	O(9)#2-Ni(2)-O(8)	87.08(15)	
Ni(2)-O(9)#2	2.052(3)	O(1)-Ni(1)-N(1)	93.11(17)	O(9)#2-Ni(2)-O(9)#5	81.23(19)	
Ni(2)-O(8)	2.103(4)	O(6)#3-Ni(1)-N(1)	177.11(17)	O(2)#4-Ni(2)-O(8)	88.99(17)	
Ni(3)-O(9)	2.042(3)	O(4)#2-Ni(1)-N(1)	89.89(17)	O(9)-Ni(3)-O(3)	96.71(14)	
Ni(3)-O(3)	2.084(3)	O(9)#2-Ni(1)-N(2)#1	177.15(17)	O(3)-Ni(3)-O(3)#4	85.2(2)	
Ni(3)-O(7)#6	2.091(4)	O(1)-Ni(1)-N(2)#1	84.75(15)	O(3)-Ni(3)-O(7)#6	89.10(14)	
O(8)-Ni(2)-O(8)#4	173.4(2)	O(9)-Ni(3)-O(9)#4	81.72(18)	O(9)#4-Ni(3)-O(7)#6	95.52(14)	

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1/2, y,-z+1/2, #2 x,y-1,z, #3 -x+1,-y+1,-z+1,

#4 -x+3/2,y,-z+1/2, #5 -x+3/2,y-1,-z+1/2, #6 x+1/2,-y+2,z-1/2, #7 -x+1,-	y+2,-z+1, #8 x,y+1,z for 2.
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Compound <b>3</b>					
N(1)-Ni(1)	2.070(3)	O(3)#3-Ni(1)-O(5)	98.89(9)	O(3)#3-Ni(1)-N(2)#4	90.23(10)
N(2)-Ni(1)#2	2.086(3)	O(3)#3-Ni(1)-N(1)	87.86(10)	O(5)-Ni(1)-N(2)#4	92.79(10)
N(5)-Ni(2)	2.081(3)	O(5)-Ni(1)-N(1)	87.85(10)	N(1)-Ni(1)-N(2)#4	178.06(10)
Ni(1)-O(3)#3	2.021(2)	O(3)#3-Ni(1)-O(1)	160.82(9)	O(5)-Ni(1)-O(1)	100.25(9)
Ni(1)-O(5)	2.054(2)	N(1)-Ni(1)-O(1)	91.84(10)	N(2)#4-Ni(1)-O(1)	89.86(10)
Ni(1)-O(1)	2.099(2)	O(3)#3-Ni(1)-O(2)	99.66(9)	O(5)-Ni(1)-O(2)	161.42(8)
Ni(1)-O(2)	2.202(2)	N(1)-Ni(1)-O(2)	91.92(10)	N(2)#4-Ni(1)-O(2)	88.06(10)
Ni(2)-O(18)#5	2.098(2)	O(17)#5-Ni(2)-O(17)	180.0	N(5)-Ni(2)-N(5)#5	180.0
Ni(2)-O(17)#5	2.106(2)	N(5)-Ni(2)-O(18)#5	92.18(10)	O(18)#5-Ni(2)-O(18)	180.0
O(1)-Ni(1)-O(2)	61.18(8)	N(5)-Ni(2)-O(17)#5	87.45(10)	O(18)-Ni(2)-O(17)#5	89.84(11)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1,-y+1,-z+1, #2 x,y,z+1, #3 x-1,y,z, #4 x,y,z-

1, #5 -x+1,-y,-z+1, #6 x+1,y,z for <b>3</b> .	
Compound 4	

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N(1)-Ni(1)	2.078(4)	O(3)#2-Ni(1)-O(8)	94.82(15)	O(3)#2-Ni(1)-N(1)	93.32(15)

N(2)-Ni(1)#1	2.085(4)	O(8)-Ni(1)-N(1)	90.00(15)	O(3)#2-Ni(1)-N(2)#3	90.60(15)
Ni(1)-O(3)#2	2.010(3)	O(8)-Ni(1)-N(2)#3	88.92(16)	N(1)-Ni(1)-N(2)#3	176.01(16)
Ni(1)-O(8)	2.075(4)	O(3)#2-Ni(1)-O(2)	159.90(14)	O(8)-Ni(1)-O(2)	104.81(15)
Ni(1)-O(2)	2.127(4)	N(1)-Ni(1)-O(2)	91.00(15)	N(2)#3-Ni(1)-O(2)	85.56(15)
Ni(1)-O(1)	2.132(4)	O(3)#2-Ni(1)-O(1)	98.49(14)	O(8)-Ni(1)-O(1)	166.58(14)
N(1)-Ni(1)-O(1)	90.91(16)	N(2)#3-Ni(1)-O(1)	89.25(16)	O(2)-Ni(1)-O(1)	61.79(13)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 x+1,y,z, #2 -x,y-1/2,-z+1/2, #3 x-1,y,z, #4 -

x,y+1/2,-z+1/2 for 4.

Table S2.         The different products of different metal-ligand-bpe ratio						
Metal-ligand-bpe	Metal-ligand-bpe Ratio		1:	2:1 x:2	2:1(x≥2)	
140°C, 0.2ml 1M NaOH(aq)		3		1	2	
Table S3. The different products of different pH at the ratio of metal-ligand-bpe is 1:2:1						
Different pH		5.5	~		6.5	
140°C		1		1+3	3	
<b>Table S4.</b> The different products of different solvent ratio (NMP/H <sub>2</sub> O)						
Different solvent ratio (NMP/H <sub>2</sub> O)	0:8	0.5:7.5	2:6	4:4	6:2	
140°C	1+amorphous	4+amorphous	4	4+amorphous	amorphous	



Figure S1. The PXRD parttern of product from DMA/H<sub>2</sub>O system and compound 4.

Table S5	Crystallographic	data for	compound 3'

Compound	3'
Formula	$C_{34}H_{35}N_3O_{11}Ni_{1.5}$
Formula weight	749.71
Crystal system	Triclinic
Space group	P-1

<i>a</i> (Å)	10.162(16)
$b(\text{\AA})$	13.36(2)
$c(\text{\AA})$	13.36(2)
α(°)	72.61(3)
β(°)	83.85(2)
γ(°)	82.09(3)
$V(Å^3)$	1710(5)
Ζ	2
Dc (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.456
<i>F</i> (000)	780
GOF on $F^2$	0.882
$R_1, wR_2[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	0.0819,0.1764
R <sub>1</sub> ,wR <sub>2</sub> (all data)	0.1647,0.2147
R <sub>int</sub>	0.0594

Table S6. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) for compound  ${\bf 3'}$ 

Compound <b>3</b> '					
N(1)-Ni(1)	2.107(10)	N(3)#4-Ni(2)-O(10)	92.7(3)	O(8)-Ni(1)-N(1)	92.5(3)
N(2)-Ni(1)#3	2.074(10)	O(10)-Ni(2)-O(10)#4	180.0	N(2)#5-Ni(1)-N(1)	176.7(5)
N(3)-Ni(2)	2.087(10)	N(3)#4-Ni(2)-O(9)	87.6(3)	O(4)-Ni(1)-O(5)#6	161.6(3)
Ni(2)-O(10)	2.094(7)	O(10)-Ni(2)-O(9)	91.1(3)	O(8)-Ni(1)-O(5)#6	99.8(3)
Ni(2)-O(9)	2.098(8)	N(3)#4-Ni(2)-O(9)#4	92.4(3)	N(2)#5-Ni(1)-O(5)#6	92.5(3)
Ni(1)-O(4)	1.992(8)	O(9)-Ni(2)-O(9)#4	180.0	N(1)-Ni(1)-O(5)#6	90.3(4)
Ni(1)-O(8)	2.054(7)	O(4)-Ni(1)-O(8)	98.6(3)	O(4)-Ni(1)-O(6)#6	99.4(3)
Ni(1)-O(5)#6	2.120(8)	O(4)-Ni(1)-N(2)#5	86.6(4)	O(8)-Ni(1)-O(6)#6	162.0(3)
Ni(1)-O(6)#6	2.194(7)	O(8)-Ni(1)-N(2)#5	88.6(3)	N(2)#5-Ni(1)-O(6)#6	92.1(3)
N(3)#4-Ni(2)-N(3)	180.0	O(4)-Ni(1)-N(1)	90.2(4)	N(1)-Ni(1)-O(6)#6	87.8(3)
		O(5)#6-Ni(1)-O(6)#6	62.2(3)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 x+1,y,z, #2 -x,-y+2,-z, #3 x,y,z+1, #4 -x,-y+1,-z, #5 x,y,z-1, #6 x-1,y,z, for **3'**.



Figure S2. The simulated patterns of compound 3 (top) and compound 4 (bottom), the experimental patterns of 3' by step-wise synthesis (middle).



Figure S3. The topology net of 2.



**Figure S4.** a) The 1D cation chain of  $[Ni_{0.5}(bpe)_{0.5}(H_2O)_2]_n^{n+}$  in **3**, b) The two-fold interpenetrating architecture  $[Ni(L)(bpe)(H_2O)]_n^{n-}$  constituted from 2D layers in **3**.

	8 8 9	8 1
	dihedral angle (°)	Torsion angle (°)
1	69.872(25)	179.802(69)
2	71.590(11)	-173.615(28)
3	78.222(20)	109.289(50)
4	76.822(5)	-171.468(21)

Table S7. The dihedral angels and torsion angels of the  $H_3L$  ligand in Compounds 1-4

 Table S8. The dihedral angels and torsion angels of the bpe in Compounds 1-4

 dihedral angle (°)
 Torsion angle (°)

 1
 52.714(25)
 55.104(86)

 2
 46.722(10)
 67.013(34)

 3 (2D)
 28.058(16)
 -179.141(39)

 3 (1D)
 0.000(24)
 -180.000(39)

47.924(10)

4

174.81(2)



Figure S5. The FT-IR Spectra of H<sub>4</sub>L ligand and compounds 1-4.



Figure S6. The PXRD patterns of compounds 1-4 and the simulated spectra.





Figure S7. TGA-DTA curves for 1-4.



Scheme S1. Schematic representation of magnetic mode in 2.