Supporting information for

One-Dimensional Chain Structures of Hexanuclear Uranium(IV) Clusters Bridged by Formate Ligands

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S1. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) of samples obtained from the reactions of compound 2.

Powder pattern of powder samples were collected from 5° to 50°, with a step of 0.02° using a Bruker D8 advance X–ray diffractometer with Cu–K α radiation (λ = 1.54056 Å) equipped with a Lynxeye one-dimensional detector. Before PXRD measurement, sample for each reaction was fully grinded to avoid the strong diffraction from the preferential orientation in the crystal. Then, the powder sample was loaded on the glass tablet. The match between the experimental and simulated powder patterns indicates the examed sample of compound 2 is pure.



Figure S1. Simulated (black) and experimental (red) PXRD patterns for compound 2.

Compound 1a		Compound 1b		Compound 2	
U-O bond	bond length (Å)	U-O bond	bond length (Å)	U-O bond	bond length (Å)
O(6)-U(1)	2.222(6)	O(27)-U(1)	2.310(7)	O(1)-U(2)	2.219(4)
O(6)-U(2)	2.238(5)	O(27)-U(2)	2.243(8)	O(1)-U(3)	2.230(4)
O(6)-U(3)	2.240(5)	O(27)-U(5)	2.187(7)	O(1)-U(4)	2.288(4)
O(13)-U(2)	2.187(6)	O(31)-U(1)	2.275(7)	O(15)-U(1)	2.238(4)
O(13)-U(3)	2.244(6)	O(31)-U(3)	2.238(7)	O(15)-U(2)	2.255(4)
O(13)-U(4)	2.297(6)	O(31)-U(4)	2.204(7)	O(15)-U(3)	2.234(4)
O(3)-U(2)	2.419(6)	O(32)-U(2)	2.239(7)	O(7)-U(1)	2.432(4)
O(3)-U(3)	2.458(6)	O(32)-U(4)	2.233(7)	O(7)-U(2)	2.448(4)
O(3)-U(4)	2.427(6)	O(32)-U(6)	2.220(7)	O(7)-U(3)	2.464(4)
O(4)-U(1)	2.449(5)	O(33)-U(3)	2.222(7)	O(13)-U(2)	2.429(4)
O(4)-U(2)	2.444(6)	O(33)-U(5)	2.242(7)	O(13)-U(3)	2.390(4)
O(4)-U(3)	2.468(6)	O(33)-U(6)	2.227(7)	O(13)-U(4)	2.497(4)
		O(21)-U(1)	2.442(8)		
		O(21)-U(2)	2.452(7)		
		O(21)-U(4)	2.425(8)		
		O(22)-U(1)	2.424(8)		
		O(22)-U(3)	2.468(8)		
		O(22)-U(5)	2.408(7)		
		O(28)-U(3)	2.458(7)		
		O(28)-U(4)	2.455(8)		
		O(28)-U(6)	2.438(7)		
		O(30)-U(2)	2.479(7)		
		O(30)-U(5)	2.442(7)		
		O(30)-U(6)	2.460(7)		

S2. Bond lengths between U(IV) and μ_3 -O or μ_3 -OH groups in three compounds (Table S1).

Compound 1a		Compound 1b		Compound 2	
μ ₃ -oxygen	Σν	μ ₃ -oxygen	Σν	µ ₃ -oxygen	Σν
sites		sites		sites	
O(6)	2.098	O(27)	2.064	O(1)	2.051
O(13)	2.068	O(31)	2.079	O(15)	2.061
O(3)H	1.229	O(32)	2.030	O(7)	1.185
O(4)H	1.187	O(33)	2.111	O(13)	1.223
		O(21)	1.211		
		O(22)	1.235		
		O(28)	1.176		
		O(30)	1.146		

S3. Bond valence sum (Σv , $v = e^{(R_0^{-d})/a}$, d: bond distance) for μ_3 -oxygen sites in compound 1a, 1b and 2 ($R_0 = 2.051$ Å and a = 0.51 for μ_3 -O; $R_0 = 2.104$ Å and a = 0.37 for μ_3 -OH).^[1] (Table S2)

[1] I. D. Brown, D. Altermatt, Acta Crystallogr., Sect. B., 1985, 41, 244-247.

S4. Magnetic susceptibility data of compound 2. (1) χ^{-1} - T plot for compound 2 under the applied filed of 0.1 T (Figure S3). (2) The inverse susceptibility data above 150 K was fitted to the C–W law (Figure S4). (3) χ T-T plot for compound 2 under the applied filed of 0.1 T (Figure S5).



Figure S2. χ^{-1} - T plot for compound 2 under the applied filed of 0.1 T.



Figure S3. The inverse susceptibility data above 150 K was fitted to the C–W law ($\chi = C/(T - theta)$), resulting in values of 8.790 emuK/mol and -248.07 K for the Curie and Weiss constants, respectively.



Figure S4. χ T-T plot for compound 2 under the applied filed of 0.1 T.