

## Electronic Supporting Information

### A quantitative transmetalation with a metal organic framework compound in a solid-liquid interface reaction: synthesis, structure, kinetics, spectroscopy and electrochemistry

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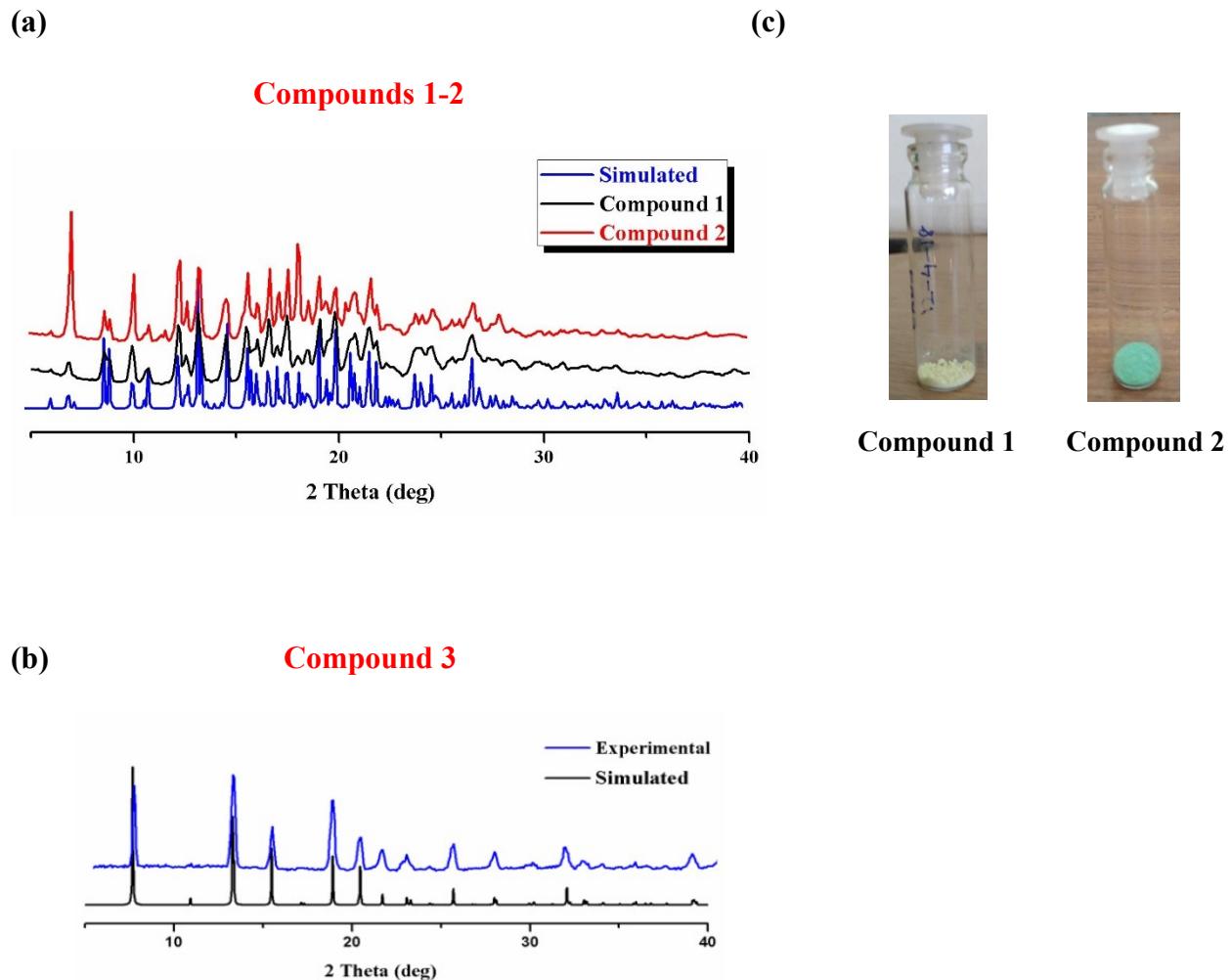
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## SECTION-1

### Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns of the compounds 1–3



**Fig. S1.** (a) Experimental powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns of the compounds **1** (black) and **2** (red), including the simulated pattern (blue), obtained from SCXRD data of compound **1** (since both the compounds are isomorphous to each other, the simulated pattern of compound **1** is chosen for comparison). (b) PXRD patterns of the compound **3**, (blue plot-experimental; black plot-simulated). (c) Optical images of powdered samples of compounds **1** (right) and **2** (left), before and after transmetalation, respectively, clearly showing colour change from light yellow to green.

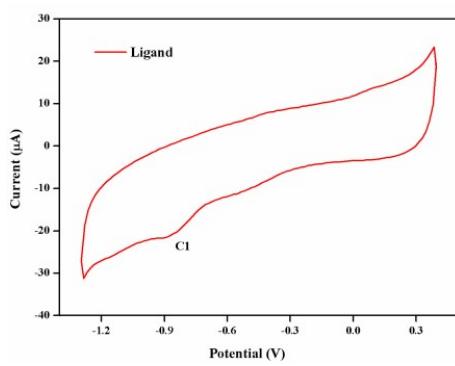
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### Sample Preparation.

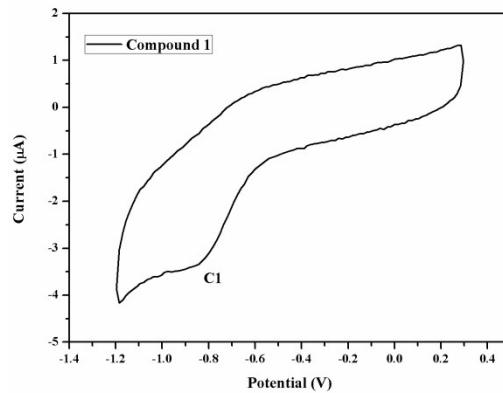
4 mg of the compound/ligand and 1 mg of carbon black were weighed into a sample vial, to which 1 mL of ethanol and Milli-Q water mixture (3:2) and 10  $\mu$ L of Nafion was added, the resulting suspension was sonicated for 30–40 min. From this mixture, 10  $\mu$ L of sample was drop casted on Glassy Carbon (GC) electrode, which then used as working electrode against the Ag/AgCl reference electrode.

### Electrochemical properties of 1,4-bpeb ligand and compounds 1 and 2.

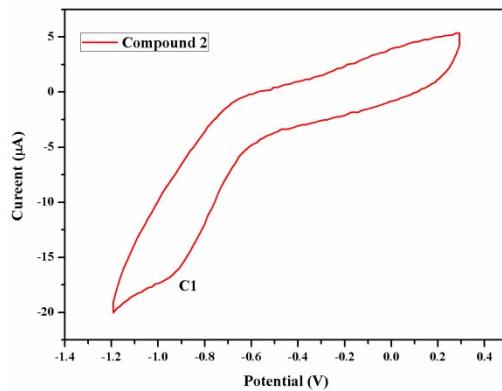
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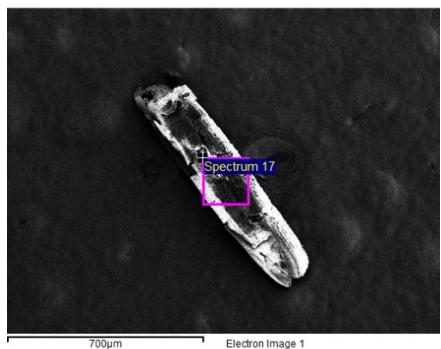


**Fig. S2.** Cyclic voltammograms (CVs) of (a) 1,4-bpeb ligand in 0.1 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  aqueous solution; (b–c) compounds **1** and **2** in acetonitrile ( $\text{MeCN}$ ) solvent using tetra butyl ammonium tetra fluoroborate ( $\text{TBABF}_4$ ) as supporting electrolyte. In all the cases, Ag/AgCl electrode was used as reference electrode at a scan rate of 100 mV/s.

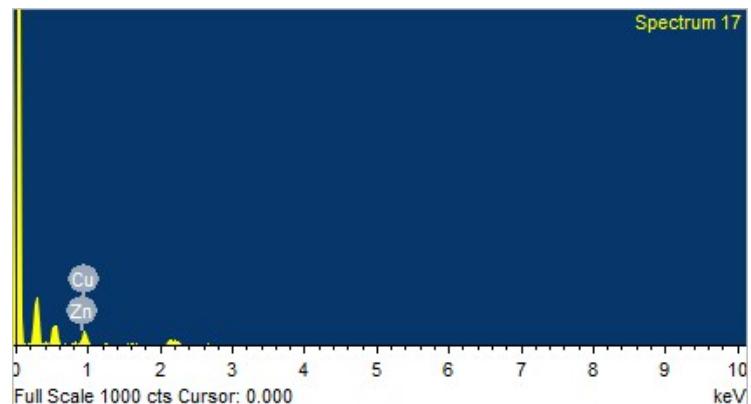
## SECTION-3

### A. FESEM experiments of compound 2 in 0.05 M Cu(II) solution

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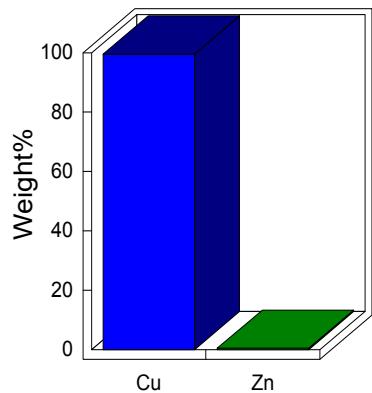


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Quantitative results



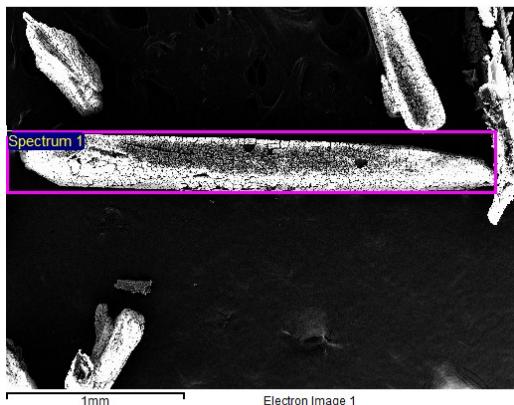
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Element	Weight%	Atomic%
Cu L	99.52	99.53
Zn L	0.48	0.47
Totals	100.00	

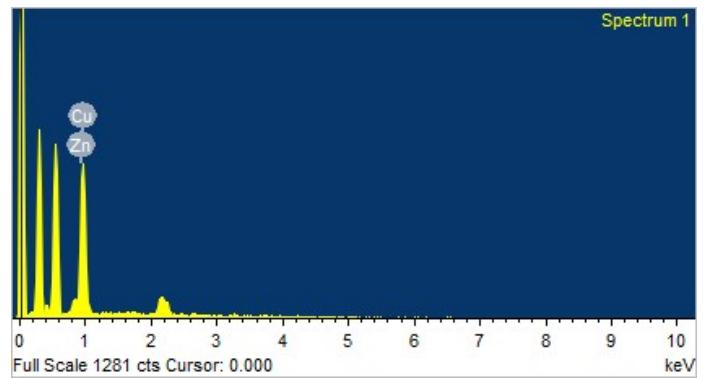
**Fig. S3.** (a) SEM image of single crystal of compound 2 in 0.05 M Cu(II) solution. (b) The corresponding EDX plot. (c) Graphical representation (in weight percentages) of the metal content in compound 2. (d) EDX results showing metal composition (as %) in 2, after completion of transmetalation reaction.

## **B. FESEM experiments of compound 2 in 0.1 M Cu(II) solution**

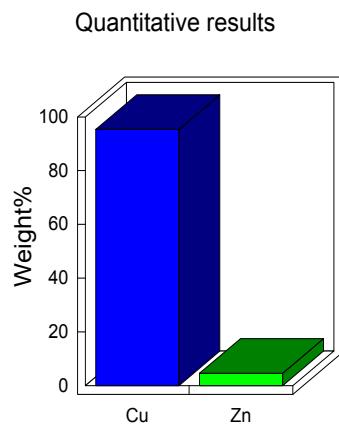
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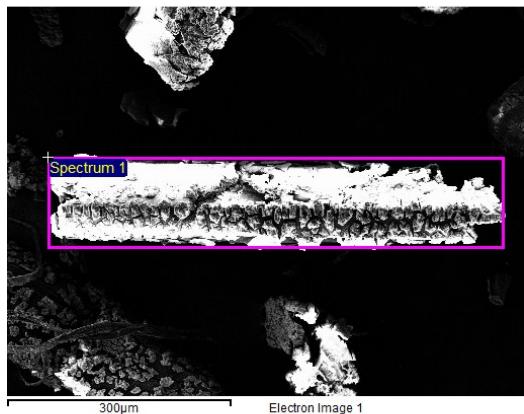
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Element	Weight%	Atomic%
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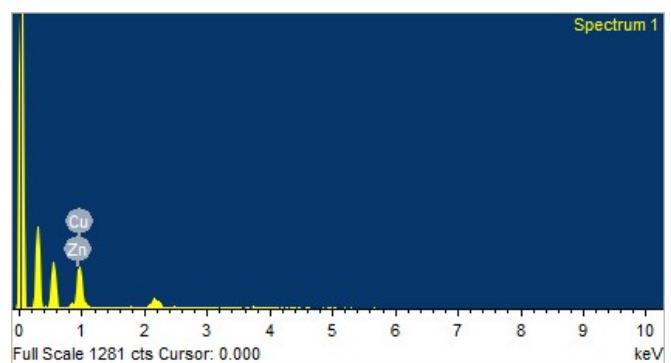
**Fig. S4.** (a) SEM image of single crystal of compound 2 in 0.1 M Cu(II) solution. (b) The corresponding EDX plot. (c) Graphical representation (in weight percentages) of the metal content in compound 2. (d) EDX results showing metal composition (as %) in 2, after 2 days of soaking.

**C. FESEM experiments of compound 2 in 0.01 M Cu(II) solution**

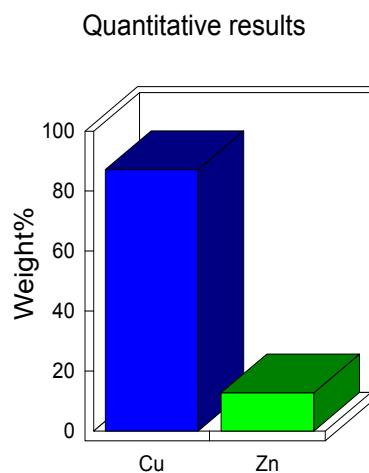
(a)



(b)



(c)



Element	Weight%	Atomic%
Cu L	87.20	87.52
Zn L	12.80	12.48
Totals	100.00	

**Fig. S5.** (a) SEM image of single crystal of compound 2 in 0.01 M Cu(II) solution. (b) The corresponding EDX plot. (c) Graphical representation (in weight percentages) of the metal content in compound 2. (d) EDX results showing metal composition (as %) in 2, after 5 days of soaking.

## SECTION-4

### Inductively Coupled Plasma (ICP) analysis of compound 2

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**Date of Receipt of Sample :** 22/09/2016

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**Date of completion of analysis :** 26/09/2016

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#### **TEST RESULTS**

S.No.	Parameters	UOM	Results
1	Zinc as Zn	% by mass	0.81

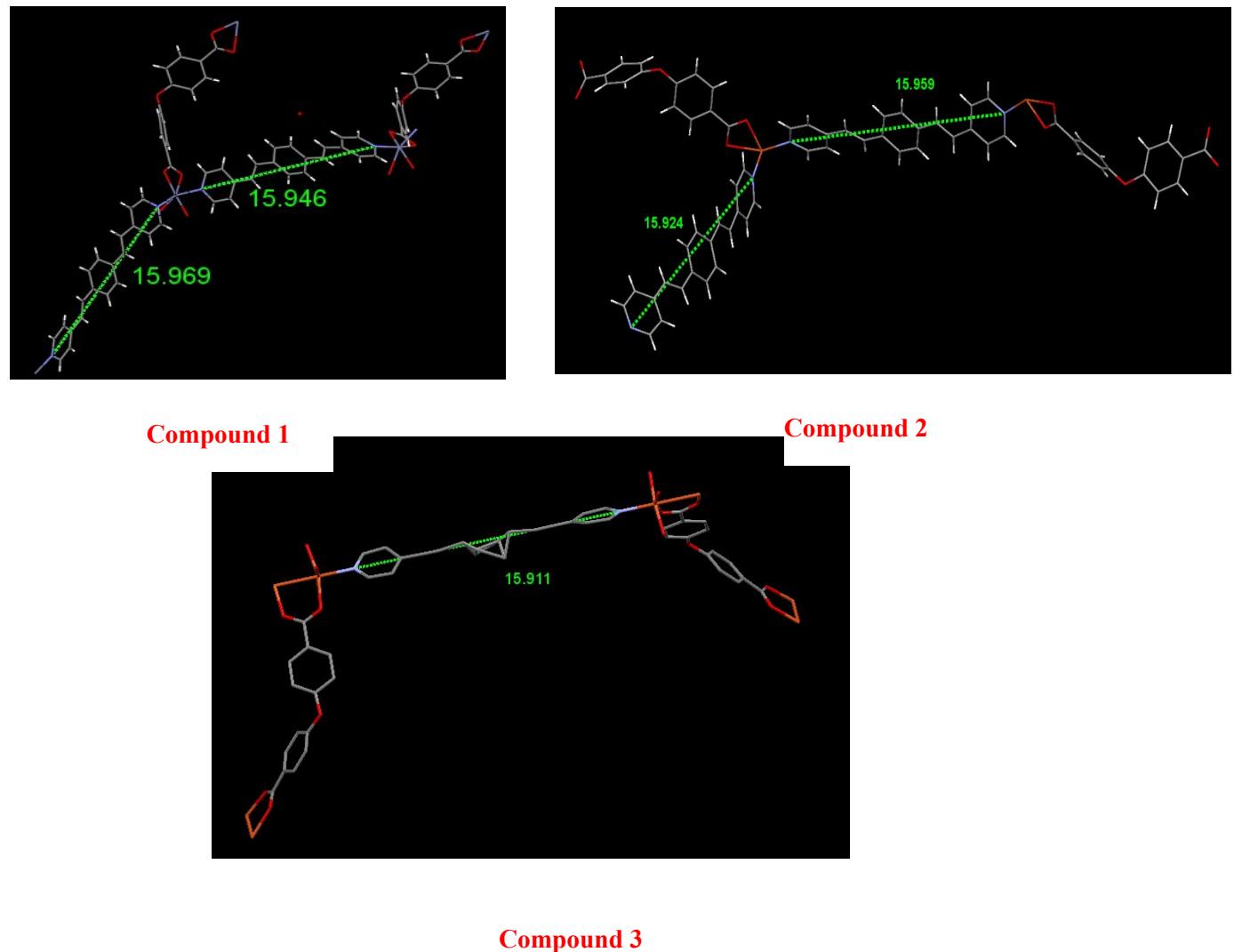
**Instrument Used:** ICP-OES Varian 720-ES

**NOTE :** This report and results relate only to the sample / items tested.

**Fig. S6.** Inductively Coupled Plasma (ICP) analysis report of compound 2 (in weight percentage).

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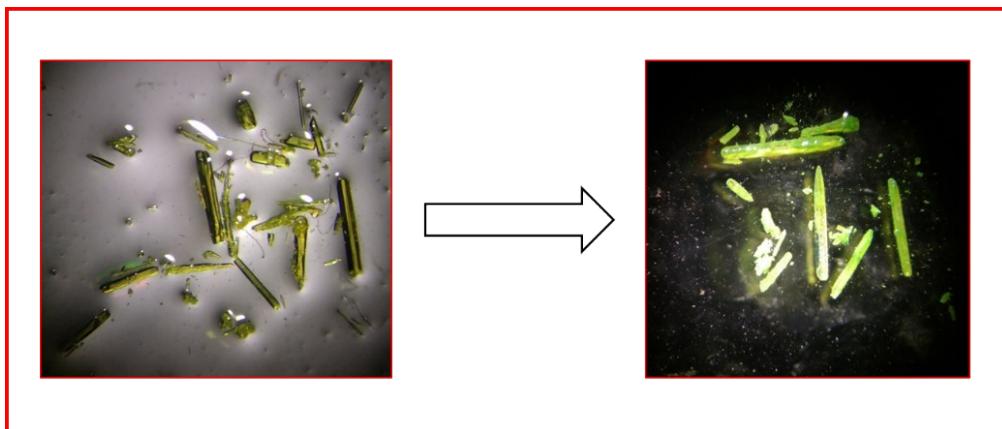
### Crystal structure images of compounds 1–3, showing N–N separation within 1,4-bpeb ligand



**Fig. S7.** Crystal structure features of compounds 1–3; N–N separation between two pyridyl moieties within the 1,4-bpeb ligand in compound 3 is compared with that in the compounds 1 and 2.

## SECTION-6

**Optical images of compounds 1 and 2**



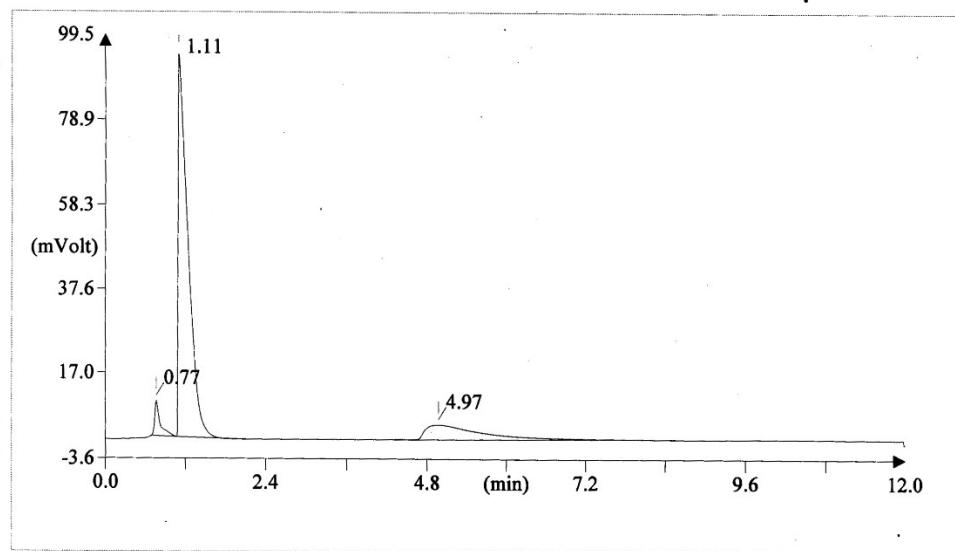
**Fig. S8.** Bulk crystal images of compound **1**, left [Zn(II)-yellow] and compound **2**, right [Cu(II)-green].

**SECTION-7**

## CHNS analysis of compound 1

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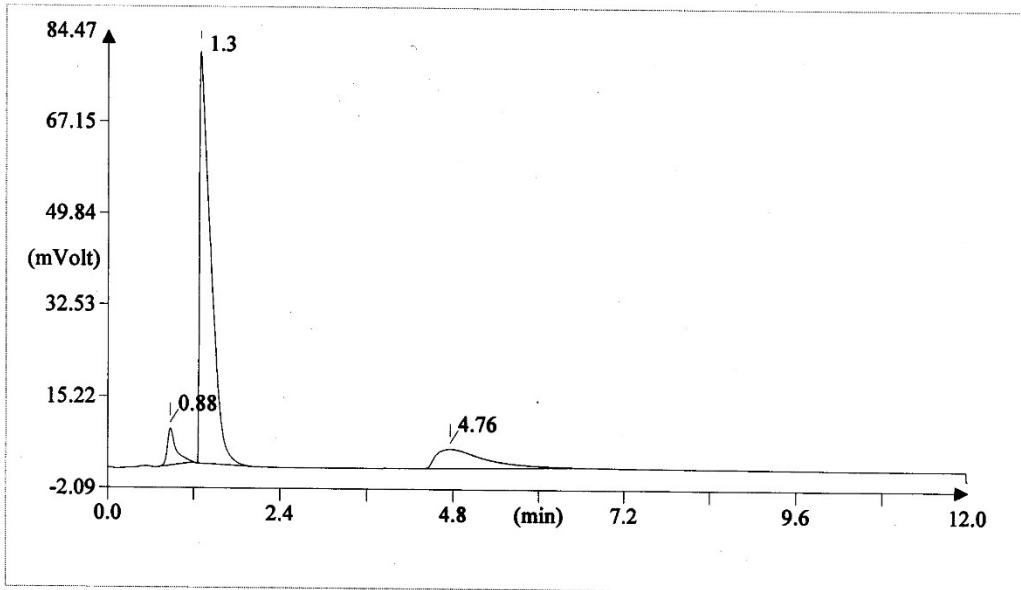
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Nitrogen		4. 51	0. 77
Carbon		66. 39	1. 11
Hydrogen		3. 98	4. 97

**Fig. S9.** CHNS analysis report of compound 1.

## CHNS analysis of compound 2.

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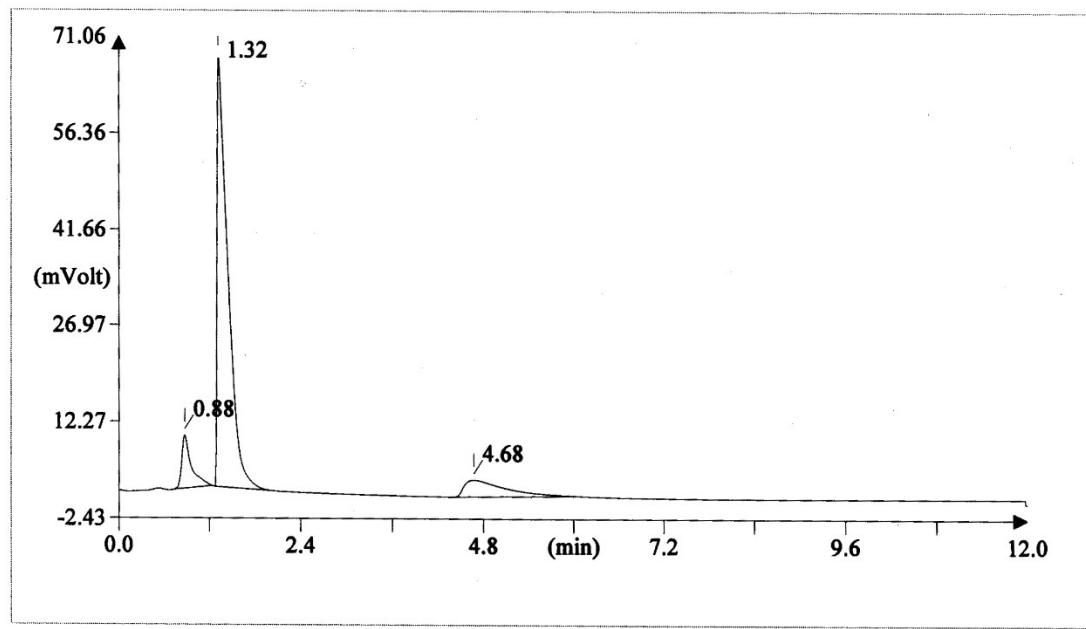
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Carbon		66. 52	1. 30
Hydrogen		4. 16	4. 76

Fig. S10. CHNS analysis report of compound 2.

CHNS analysis of compound 3.

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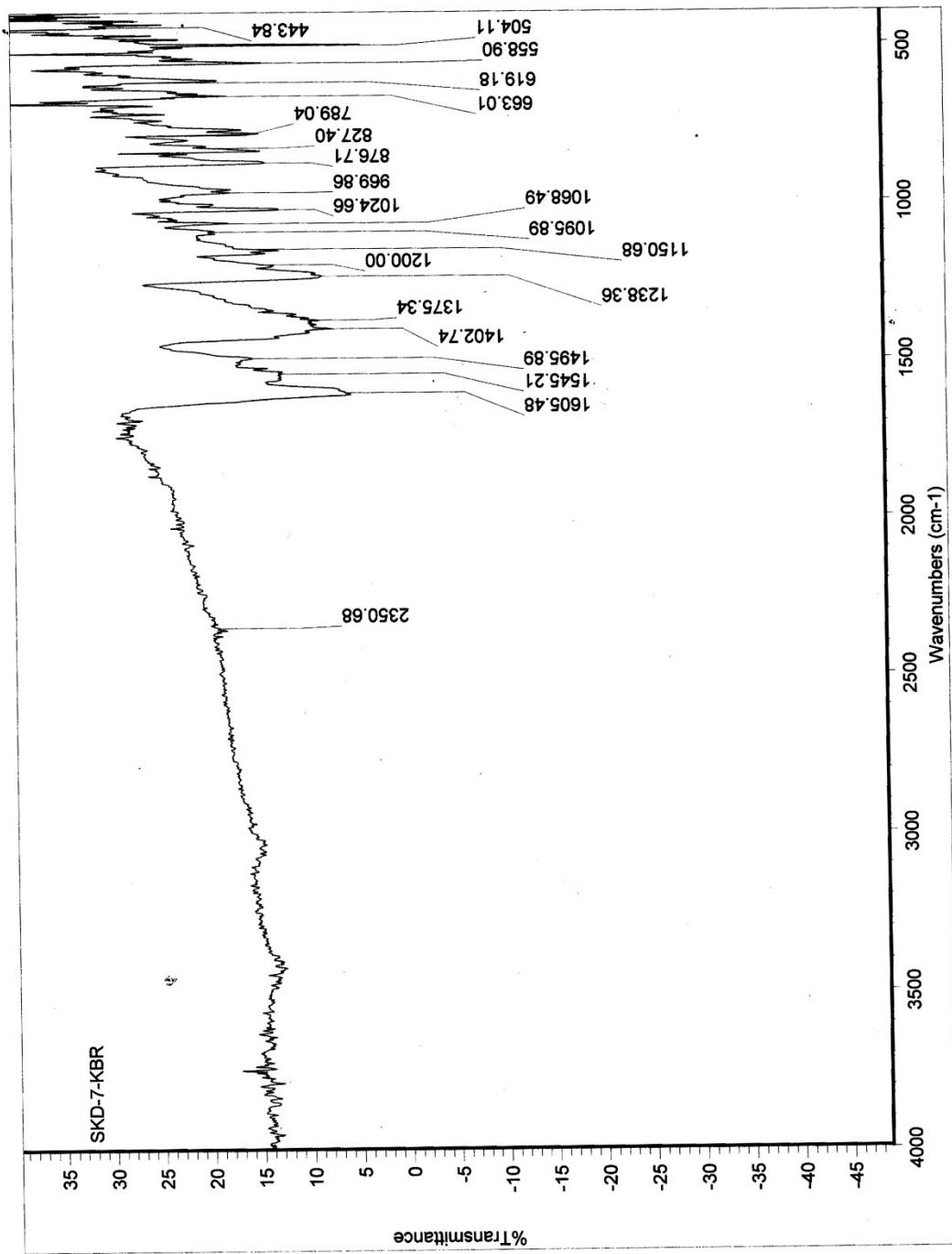


Element Name	Element %	Ret. Time
Nitrogen	3. 08	0. 88
Carbon	62. 51	1. 32
Hydrogen	3. 45	4. 67

Fig. S11. CHNS analysis report of compound 3.

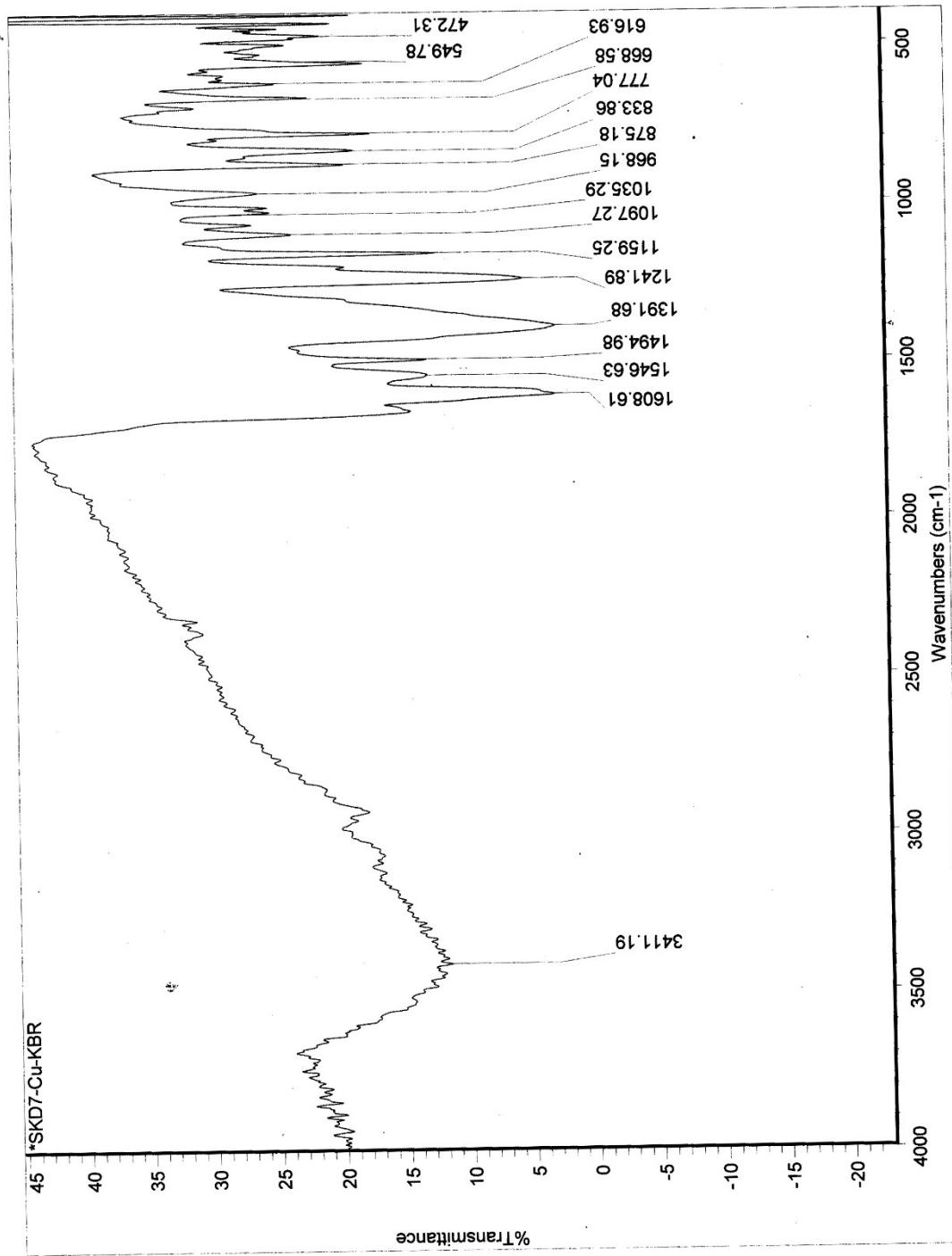
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**Infrared (IR) spectrum of compound 1.**



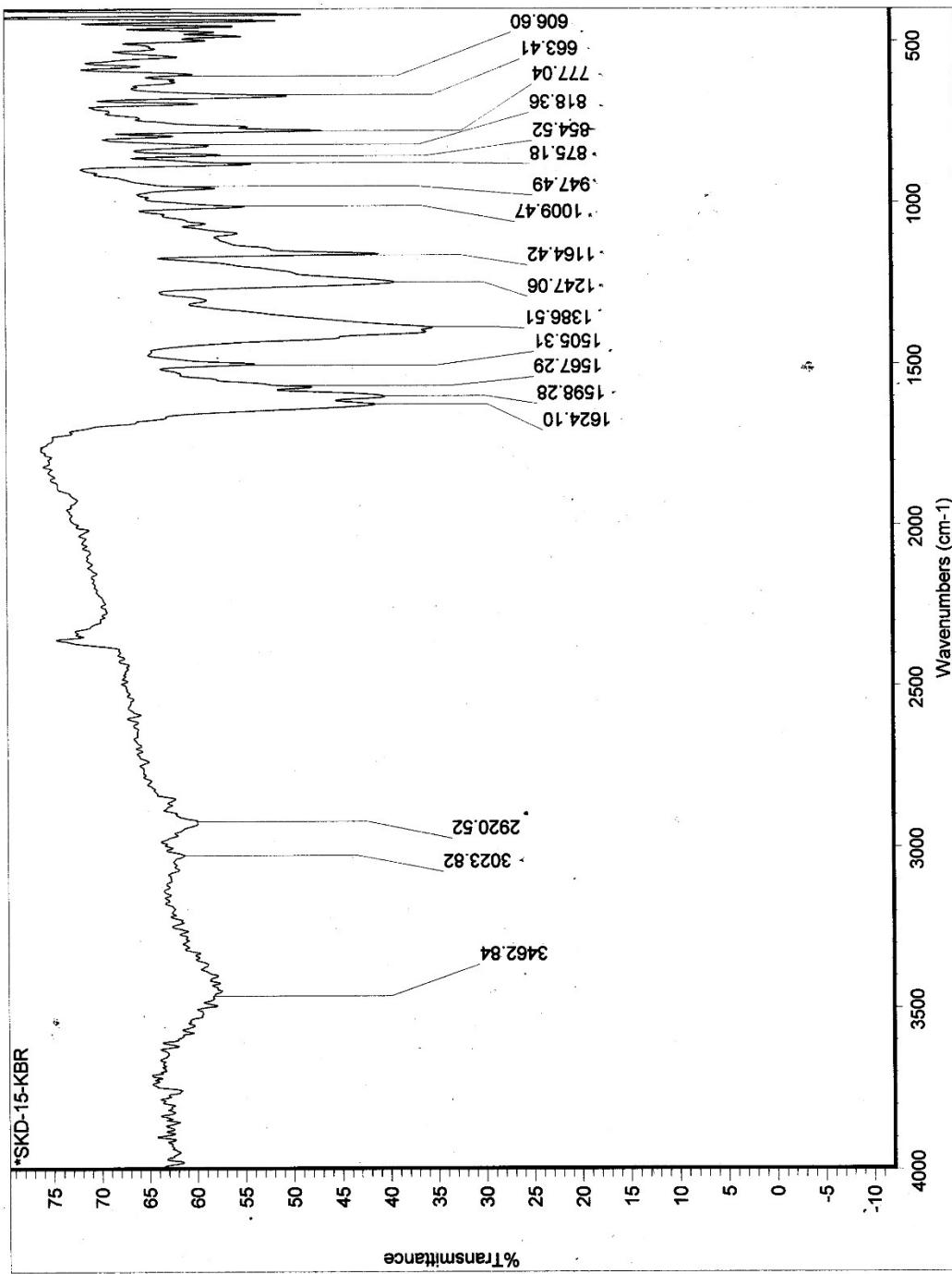
**Fig. S12.** Infrared (IR) spectrum of compound 1.

**Infrared (IR) spectrum of compound 2.**



**Fig. S13.** Infrared (IR) spectrum of compound 2.

**Infrared (IR) spectrum of compound 3.**



**Fig. S14.** Infrared (IR) spectrum of compound 3.

## SECTION 9

**Table S1: Selected bond lengths and bond angles found in the crystal structures of compounds 1-3.**

### Compound 1

Zn(01)-O(10)#1	2.039(3)	O(10)#1-Zn(01)-O(6)	154.13(13)
Zn(01)-O(6)	2.061(3)	O(10)#1-Zn(01)-N(2)	100.70(13)
Zn(01)-N(2)	2.066(3)	O(6)-Zn(01)-N(2)	98.85(14)
Zn(01)-N(4)#2	2.091(3)	O(10)#1-Zn(01)-N(4)#2	95.61(12)
Zn(01)-O(9)#1	2.339(3)	O(6)-Zn(01)-N(4)#2	98.56(13)
Zn(01)-O(7I)	2.357(4)	N(2)-Zn(01)-N(4)#2	97.26(12)
Zn(01)-C(68T)#1	2.498(4)	O(10)#1-Zn(01)-O(9)#1	59.75(11)
Zn(02)-O(1B)	2.002(4)	O(6)-Zn(01)-O(9)#1	104.84(12)
Zn(02)-O(4)#3	2.035(3)	N(2)-Zn(01)-O(9)#1	86.91(12)
Zn(02)-N(3)	2.057(3)	N(4)#2-Zn(01)-O(9)#1	155.32(12)
Zn(02)-N(1A)	2.084(3)	O(10)#1-Zn(01)-O(7I)	98.54(12)
Zn(02)-O(5C)#3	2.442(3)	O(6)-Zn(01)-O(7I)	58.17(13)
Zn(02)-C(14W)#3	2.558(5)	N(2)-Zn(01)-O(7I)	154.12(15)
O(10)-C(68T)	1.265(5)	N(4)#2-Zn(01)-O(7I)	97.91(13)
O(10)-Zn(01)#4	2.039(3)	O(9)#1-Zn(01)-O(7I)	87.99(12)
O(9)-C(68T)	1.243(5)	O(10)#1-Zn(01)-C(68T)#1	30.28(13)
O(9)-Zn(01)#4	2.339(3)	O(6)-Zn(01)-C(68T)#1	132.30(15)
N(4)-Zn(01)#5	2.091(3)	N(2)-Zn(01)-C(68T)#1	92.65(13)
N(3)-C(35)	1.348(5)	N(4)#2-Zn(01)-C(68T)#1	125.76(15)
O(6)-C(55M)	1.239(5)	O(9)#1-Zn(01)-C(68T)#1	29.56(12)
O(4)-C(14W)	1.242(5)	O(7I)-Zn(01)-C(68T)#1	95.33(13)
O(4)-Zn(02)#6	2.035(3)	O(1B)-Zn(02)-O(4)#3	149.87(18)
N(1A)-C(19Z)	1.327(5)	O(1B)-Zn(02)-N(3)	102.01(16)
O(1B)-C(1)	1.194(7)	O(4)#3-Zn(02)-N(3)	101.65(13)
O(5C)-Zn(02)#6	2.442(3)	O(1B)-Zn(02)-N(1A)	98.74(14)

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Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 -x-1,y+1/2,-z+3/2 #2 x,y-1,z+1 #3 -x+2,y+1/2,-z+1/2

#4 -x-1,y-1/2,-z+3/2 #5 x,y+1,z-1 #6 -x+2,y-1/2,-z+1/2

## Compound 2

Cu(01)-O(1)	2.040(3)	O(1)-Cu(01)-N(3)	100.45(15)
Cu(01)-N(3)	2.072(4)	O(1)-Cu(01)-O(5)#1	155.78(15)
Cu(01)-O(5)#1	2.086(4)	N(3)-Cu(01)-O(5)#1	97.94(17)
Cu(01)-N(1)	2.100(4)	O(1)-Cu(01)-N(1)	95.39(14)
Cu(01)-O(4F)#1	2.317(4)	N(3)-Cu(01)-N(1)	97.35(15)
Cu(01)-O(2)	2.336(3)	O(5)#1-Cu(01)-N(1)	97.75(14)
Cu(01)-C(1M)	2.513(5)	O(1)-Cu(01)-O(4F)#1	99.22(15)
Cu(01)-C(14V)#1	2.526(5)	N(3)-Cu(01)-O(4F)#1	153.85(17)
Cu(02)-O(6)	1.980(4)	O(5)#1-Cu(01)-O(4F)#1	58.91(15)
Cu(02)-O(10B)#2	2.053(4)	N(1)-Cu(01)-O(4F)#1	97.77(15)
Cu(02)-N(2)	2.069(4)	O(1)-Cu(01)-O(2)	59.69(12)
Cu(02)-N(4A)#3	2.094(4)	N(3)-Cu(01)-O(2)	86.48(14)
Cu(02)-O(9C)#2	2.370(4)	O(5)#1-Cu(01)-O(2)	106.19(14)
Cu(02)-C(48)#2	2.534(7)	N(1)-Cu(01)-O(2)	155.02(14)
O(1)-C(1M)	1.270(5)	O(4F)#1-Cu(01)-O(2)	88.74(14)
O(2)-C(1M)	1.249(6)	O(1)-Cu(01)-C(1M)	30.19(14)
N(1)-C(15I)	1.334(5)	N(3)-Cu(01)-C(1M)	92.50(16)
N(1)-C(19V)	1.342(5)	O(5)#1-Cu(01)-C(1M)	133.75(18)
O(5)-C(14V)	1.264(6)	N(1)-Cu(01)-C(1M)	125.46(17)
O(5)-Cu(01)#4	2.086(4)	O(4F)#1-Cu(01)-C(1M)	95.92(15)
N(3)-C(53)	1.334(6)	O(2)-Cu(01)-C(1M)	29.57(13)
O(6)-C(35)	1.215(7)	O(1)-Cu(01)-C(14V)#1	127.3(2)
O(10B)-C(48)	1.235(7)	N(3)-Cu(01)-C(14V)#1	126.7(2)
O(10B)-Cu(02)#6	2.053(4)	O(5)#1-Cu(01)-C(14V)#1	29.92(17)
O(9C)-C(48)	1.246(7)	N(1)-Cu(01)-C(14V)#1	99.78(15)
O(9C)-Cu(02)#6	2.370(4)	O(4F)#1-Cu(01)-C(14V)#1	29.01(16)
O(3D)-C(5X)	1.390(5)	O(2)-Cu(01)-C(14V)#1	97.52(15)
O(3D)-C(8Z)	1.400(6)	C(1M)-Cu(01)-C(14V)#1	116.20(19)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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#4 -x-1,y-1/2,-z+1/2 #5 x,y-1,z-1 #6 -x+2,y+1/2,-z+3/2

### Compound 3

Cu(1)-O(5)	1.927(4)	C(19)-N(1)-C(15)	114.7(6)
Cu(1)-O(4)	1.929(4)	C(19)-N(1)-Cu(1)	122.7(5)
Cu(1)-O(2)	2.004(4)	C(15)-N(1)-Cu(1)	122.6(5)
Cu(1)-O(1)	2.008(4)	C(1)-O(2)-Cu(1)	124.0(4)
Cu(1)-N(1)	2.159(4)	C(8)-O(1)-Cu(1)	123.9(4)
Cu(1)-Cu(1)#1	2.6473(11)	C(1)#1-O(5)-Cu(1)	122.2(4)
N(1)-C(19)	1.275(10)	C(8)#1-O(4)-Cu(1)	122.1(4)
N(1)-C(15)	1.277(10)		
O(2)-C(1)	1.255(7)		
O(1)-C(8)	1.276(7)		
O(5)-C(1)#1	1.247(7)		
O(4)-C(8)#1	1.262(7)		
O(5)-Cu(1)-O(4)	173.07(19)		
O(5)-Cu(1)-O(2)	87.61(19)		
O(4)-Cu(1)-O(2)	91.08(16)		
O(5)-Cu(1)-O(1)	91.20(16)		
O(4)-Cu(1)-O(1)	88.07(19)		
O(2)-Cu(1)-O(1)	163.14(16)		
O(5)-Cu(1)-N(1)	93.6(2)		
O(4)-Cu(1)-N(1)	93.3(2)		
O(2)-Cu(1)-N(1)	98.7(2)		
O(1)-Cu(1)-N(1)	98.2(2)		
O(5)-Cu(1)-Cu(1)#1	86.33(13)		
O(4)-Cu(1)-Cu(1)#1	86.74(12)		
O(2)-Cu(1)-Cu(1)#1	81.40(12)		

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Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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#4 -x+0,-y+0,z+0

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