

Electronic Supplementary Information

**A novel octacyanido dicobalt(III) building block for the
construction of heterometallic compounds†**

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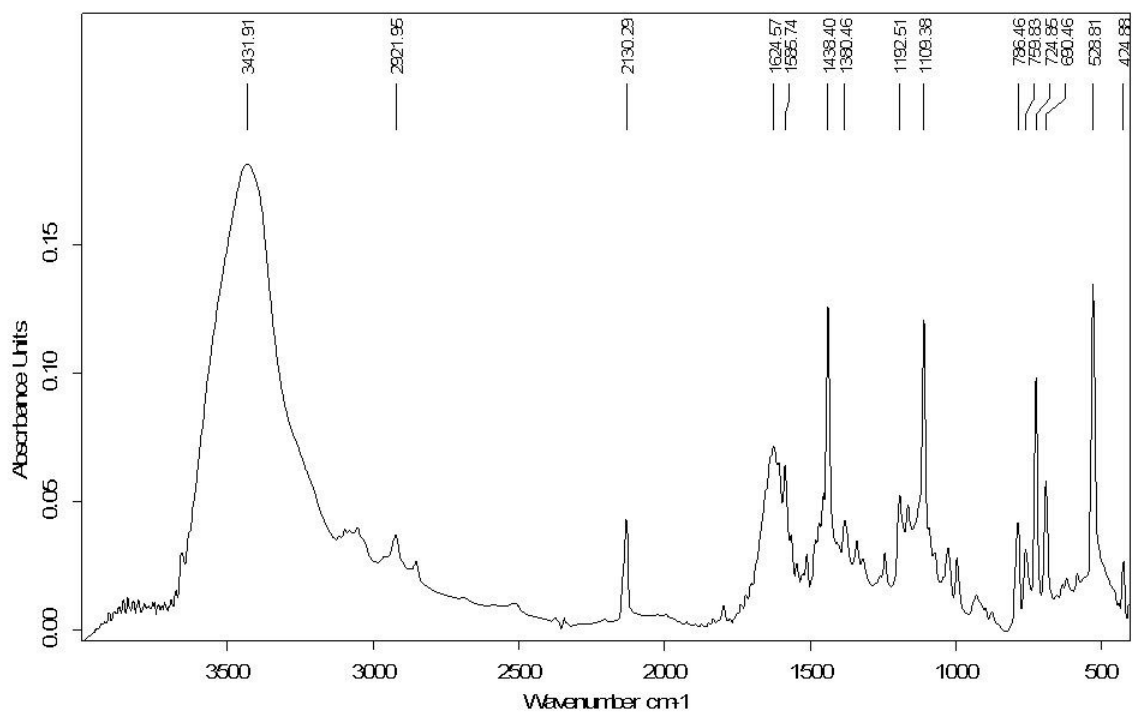


Fig. S1. FTIR spectrum of **1**

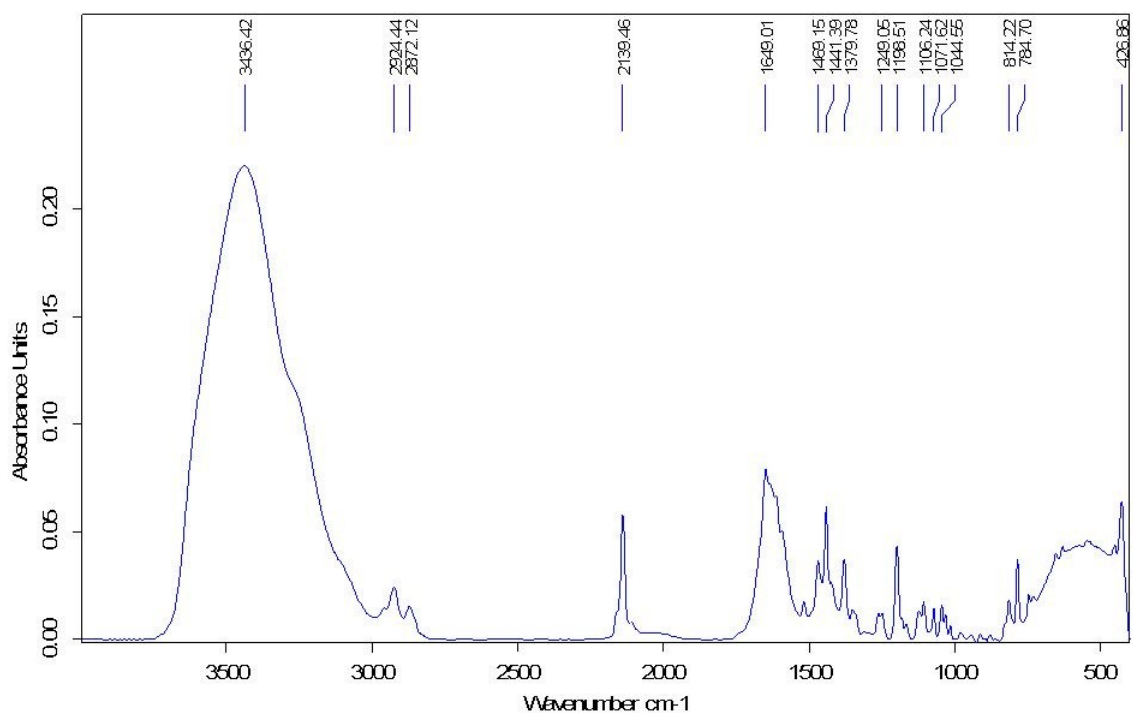


Fig. S2. FTIR spectrum of **2**.

Table S1. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for **1**

Co(1)-N(1)	1.9659(14)	Co(1)-C(9)	1.8657(18)
Co(1)-N(2)	1.9603(13)	Co(1)-C(10)	1.8683(19)
Co(1)-C(8)	1.908(2)	Co(1)-C(11)	1.908(2)
C(9)-Co(1)-C(10)	87.64(8)	C(9)-Co(1)-N(1)	95.71(7)
C(9)-Co(1)-C(11)	88.26(8)	C(10)-Co(1)-N(1)	176.63(6)
C(10)-Co(1)-C(11)	89.37(8)	C(11)-Co(1)-N(1)	90.36(7)
C(9)-Co(1)-C(8)	91.93(8)	C(8)-Co(1)-N(1)	89.83(7)
C(10)-Co(1)-C(8)	90.43(9)	N(2)-Co(1)-N(1)	82.12(6)
C(11)-Co(1)-C(8)	179.72(8)	N(3)-C(8)-Co(1)	175.6(2)
C(9)-Co(1)-N(2)	176.02(7)	N(4)-C(9)-Co(1)	178.4(2)
C(10)-Co(1)-N(2)	94.51(6)	N(5)-C(10)-Co(1)	178.71(17)
C(11)-Co(1)-N(2)	88.42(7)	N(6)-C(11)-Co(1)	177.3(2)
C(8)-Co(1)-N(2)	91.40(7)		

Table S2. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for **2^a**

Co(1)-N(1)	1.973(3)	Co(2)-N(3)	1.967(3)	Mn(1)-N(9)	2.277(4)
Co(1)-N(2)	1.966(3)	Co(2)-N(4)	1.975(3)	Mn(1)-N(13)	2.210(2)
Co(1)-C(15)	1.899(4)	Co(2)-C(19)	1.905(4)	Mn(1)-N(14)	2.297(4)
Co(1)-C(16)	1.865(3)	Co(2)-C(20)	1.871(4)	Mn(1)-N(15)	2.306(4)
Co(1)-C(17)	1.875(4)	Co(2)-C(21)	1.873(4)	Mn(1)-N(16)	2.292(4)
Co(1)-C(18)	1.900(4)	Co(2)-C(22)	1.900(5)	Mn(1)-N(17)	2.308(4)
				Mn(1)-N(5a)	2.273(4)
C(16)-Co(1)-C(17)	89.02(15)	C(20)-Co(2)-C(21)	88.22(16)	N(13)-Mn(1)-N(5a)	90.81(12)
C(16)-Co(1)-C(15)	87.91(16)	C(20)-Co(2)-C(22)	89.50(18)	N(13)-Mn(1)-N(9)	92.80(12)
C(17)-Co(1)-C(15)	90.70(16)	C(21)-Co(2)-C(22)	89.85(19)	N(5a)-Mn(1)-N(9)	176.33(12)
C(16)-Co(1)-C(18)	88.40(16)	C(20)-Co(2)-C(19)	86.09(16)	N(13)-Mn(1)-N(16)	142.97(16)
C(17)-Co(1)-C(18)	90.1725(16)	C(21)-Co(2)-C(19)	89.62(16)	N(5a)-Mn(1)-N(16)	93.16(14)
C(15)-Co(1)-C(18)	176.18(15)	C(22)-Co(2)-C(19)	175.57(16)	N(9)-Mn(1)-N(16)	84.34(13)
C(16)-Co(1)-N(2)	176.84(14)	C(20)-Co(2)-N(3)	177.35(15)	N(13)-Mn(1)-N(14)	69.82(17)
C(17)-Co(1)-N(2)	94.13(13)	C(21)-Co(2)-N(3)	93.26(13)	N(5a)-Mn(1)-N(14)	88.07(14)
C(15)-Co(1)-N(2)	91.99(13)	C(22)-Co(2)-N(3)	92.70(15)	N(9)-Mn(1)-N(14)	93.78(14)
C(18)-Co(1)-N(2)	91.64(13)	C(19)-Co(2)-N(3)	91.72(13)	N(16)-Mn(1)-N(14)	73.5(2)
C(16)-Co(1)-N(1)	94.71(14)	C(20)-Co(2)-N(4)	96.61(14)	N(13)-Mn(1)-N(15)	69.54(15)
C(17)-Co(1)-N(1)	176.05(13)	C(21)-Co(2)-N(4)	174.90(13)	N(5a)-Mn(1)-N(15)	92.31(14)
C(15)-Co(1)-N(1)	88.14(14)	C(22)-Co(2)-N(4)	88.57(17)	N(9)-Mn(1)-N(15)	88.34(14)
C(18)-Co(1)-N(1)	91.15(14)	C(19)-Co(2)-N(4)	92.33(13)	N(16)-Mn(1)-N(15)	146.83(19)
N(2)-Co(1)-N(1)	82.14(11)	N(3)-Co(2)-N(4)	81.98(11)	N(14)-Mn(1)-N(15)	139.35(19)
N(5)-C(15)-Co(1)	174.9(3)	N(9)-C(19)-Co(2)	176.4(3)	N(13)-Mn(1)-N(17)	141.32(16)
N(6)-C(16)-Co(1)	178.2(4)	N(10)-C(20)-Co(2)	177.6(4)	N(5a)-Mn(1)-N(17)	84.87(14)
N(7)-C(17)-Co(1)	176.7(3)	N(11)-C(21)-Co(2)	175.7(3)	N(9)-Mn(1)-N(17)	91.90(13)
N(8)-C(18)-Co(1)	178.9(4)	N(12)-C(22)-Co(2)	178.0(5)	N(16)-Mn(1)-N(17)	75.70(18)
C(15)-N(5)-Mn(1b)	161.1(3)	C(19)-N(9)-Mn(1)	159.0(3)	N(14)-Mn(1)-N(17)	148.0(2)
				N(15)-Mn(1)-N(17)	72.26(17)

^aSymmetry codes: (a) = $x, y-1, z$; (b) $x, y+1, z$.