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## Hydrogen-bonded 1D nanotubes and 2D layers of group 12 metal complexes with a pyridylurea ligand

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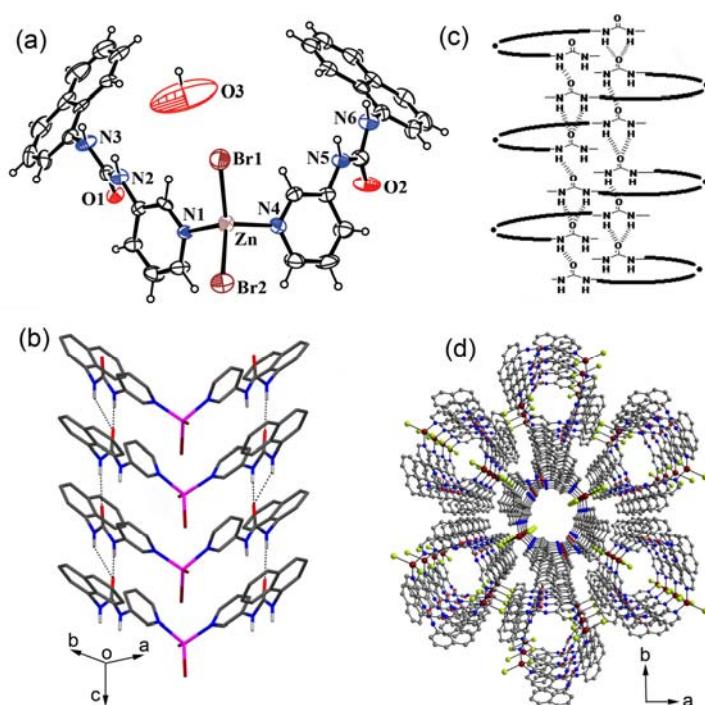
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Table S1. Selected  $\pi$ -stacking interactions and torsion angles of the ligand molecules in **1–6**.

compound	parameters of $\pi$ – $\pi$ stacking			torsion angles of two <b>L</b> arms (°)
	centroid–centroid separation (Å)	dihedral angle (°)	vertical displacements between ring centroids (Å)	
[ZnCl <sub>2</sub> L <sub>2</sub> ]·H <sub>2</sub> O ( <b>1</b> )	3.483	2.24	0.456, 0.546	C3–C2 <sub>py</sub> –N2–C6 <sub>urea</sub> , C8–C7 <sub>naphthyl</sub> –N3–C6 <sub>urea</sub> ; C19–C18 <sub>py</sub> –N5–C22 <sub>urea</sub> , C24–C23 <sub>naphthyl</sub> –N6–C22 <sub>urea</sub>
	3.885	2.24	1.580, 1.707	
[ZnBr <sub>2</sub> L <sub>2</sub> ]·0.75EtOH ( <b>2a</b> )	3.569	3.25	0.891, 1.104	30.32, -63.85; -33.83, 60.23
	3.799	5.98	1.337, 1.674	
[ZnBr <sub>2</sub> L <sub>2</sub> ]·0.8H <sub>2</sub> O ( <b>2b</b> )	3.675	7.20	0.719, 1.148	-30.64, 64.95; 29.66, -57.74
	3.665	7.06	0.703, 1.128	
[ZnI <sub>2</sub> L <sub>2</sub> ] ( <b>3</b> )	3.743	6.00	1.376, 1.727	131.32, 46.60; 18.73, -68.55
	3.733	5.66	1.476, 1.178	
[HgCl <sub>2</sub> L <sub>2</sub> ] ( <b>4</b> )	3.754	4.58	0.706, 0.852	-141.53, 47.80; 173.00, -87.53
	3.819	3.14	1.370, 1.208	
[HgBr <sub>2</sub> L <sub>2</sub> ] ( <b>5</b> )	3.755	2.76	1.258, 1.133	-142.60, 51.17; 177.75, -81.36
	3.710	3.03	0.601, 0.757	
[HgI <sub>2</sub> L] ( <b>6</b> )	3.694	1.34	1.632, 1.514	134.70, 35.83

Table S2. Selected hydrogen bond parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ) for **1–6**.

Compound	D–H $\cdots$ A	H $\cdots$ A	D $\cdots$ A	$\angle$ D–H $\cdots$ A
<b>1</b>	N5–H5B $\cdots$ O3	2.08	2.889(6)	157
	N6–H6A $\cdots$ O3	2.12	2.930(5)	157
	O3–H3D $\cdots$ O1	1.87 (2)	2.701(6)	175
	O3–H3C $\cdots$ O2	1.95 (3)	2.775(6)	166
	N2–H2A $\cdots$ Cl2	2.53	3.320(4)	154
	N3–H3B $\cdots$ Cl2	2.50	3.317(5)	159
<b>2a</b>	N2–H2A $\cdots$ O3	2.51	3.187(12)	136
	N3–H3B $\cdots$ O2	1.95	2.810(8)	178
	N5–H5B $\cdots$ O1	2.15	2.954(6)	154
	N6–H6A $\cdots$ O1	2.27	3.018(7)	145
<b>2b</b>	N3–H3B $\cdots$ O2	1.94	2.797(13)	176
	N5–H5B $\cdots$ O1	2.11	2.920(10)	156
	N6–H6A $\cdots$ O1	2.19	2.955(11)	148
<b>3</b>	N2–H2A $\cdots$ O1	1.95	2.743(6)	153
	N3–H3B $\cdots$ O1	1.97	2.770(6)	154
	N5–H5B $\cdots$ O2	2.09	2.887(6)	155
	N6–H6A $\cdots$ O2	2.31	3.044(6)	144
<b>4</b>	N2–H2B $\cdots$ O2	1.98	2.841(5)	166
	N3–H3B $\cdots$ O2	2.61	3.340(5)	142
	N5–H5B $\cdots$ O1	2.37	3.120(5)	145
	N6–H6B $\cdots$ O1	2.10	2.907(4)	153
<b>5</b>	N2–H2B $\cdots$ O2	1.99	2.831(4)	166
	N3–H3B $\cdots$ O2	2.56	3.275(4)	142
	N5–H5B $\cdots$ O1	2.36	3.105(4)	145
	N6–H6B $\cdots$ O1	2.11	2.902(4)	153
<b>6</b>	N2–H2B $\cdots$ O	2.07	2.863(5)	154
	N3–H3B $\cdots$ O	2.08	2.866(5)	152



**Fig. S1** (a) Molecular structure of  $[\text{ZnBr}_2\text{L}_2]\cdot 0.8\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (**2b**); (b) The urea self-association in **2b**; (c) Schematic representation of the self-assembly of the semi-macrocyclic  $[\text{ZnBr}_2\text{L}_2]$  synthons into a nanotube; (d) Packing diagram of the 1D H-bonded nanotubes viewed down the *c* axis. Guest solvent molecules and non-urea hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°): Zn–N1, 2.056(8); Zn–N4, 2.038(8); Zn–Br1, 2.325(2); Zn–Br2, 2.3361(16); N1–Zn–Br1, 109.3(2); Br1–Zn–Br2, 124.05(8).