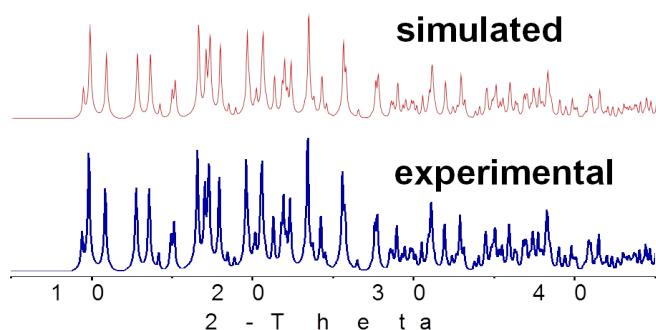


**Supporting Information for**  
**Reversible visual thermochromic coordination polymers via**  
**single-crystal-to-single-crystal transformation**

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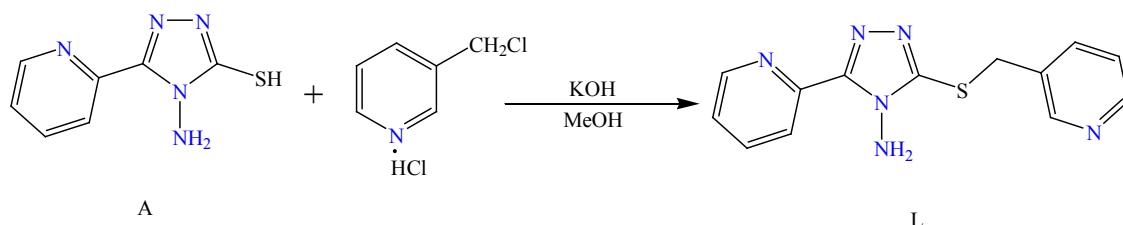


**Fig. S1** XRPD pattern of **1**.

**Experimental Section.** Commercially available reagents were used as received without further purification. 5-(2-pyridyl)-3-mercaptopro-4-amino-1, 2, 4-triazole (A) was prepared According to method of literature.<sup>1</sup> Infrared (IR) samples were prepared as KBr pellets, and spectra were obtained in the 400-4000 cm<sup>-1</sup> range using a Perkin-Elmer 1600 FTIR spectrometer. Elemental analyses were performed on a Perkin-Elmer Model 2400 analyzer. Thermogravimetric analyses were carried out using a TA Instrument SDT 2960

simultaneous DTA-TGA under flowing nitrogen at a heating rate of 10 °C/min.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data were collected using an AM-300 spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in  $\delta$  relative to TMS. The UV-vis diffuse reflectance was performed on SHIMADZU UV-2550 UV-vis spectrophotometer.

### Synthesis of L.



A solution of **A** (2.28g, 12mmol), 3-(Chloromethyl)pyridine Hydrochloride (2.16g, 13.2mmol), KOH (1.6g, 15.6mmol) in 30mL MeOH, was stirred for 24 hours. The obtained sample was purified by column to generate colorless crystalline solids 2.07 g (Yield, 60.8 %).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25 °C TMS, ppm):  $\delta$  8.65(s, 1H,  $-\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{N}$ ), 8.58(d, 1H,  $-\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{N}$ ), 8.47(t, 1H,  $-\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{N}$ ), 8.22 (d, 1H,  $-\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{N}$ ), 7.84~7.82(m, 2H,  $-\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{N}$ ), 7.35~7.33(m, 1H,  $-\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{N}$ ), 7.39(s, 1H,  $-\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{N}$ ), 7.29~7.20(m, 1H,  $-\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{N}$ ), 6.20(s, 2H,  $-\text{NH}_2$ ), 4.48(s, 2H,  $-\text{CH}_2-$ ). IR (KBr pellet  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3442(vs), 1638(s), 1591(s), 1571(s), 1465(s), 1424(vs), 1252(m), 1194(w), 1101(w), 1013(m), 957(m), 811(m), 789(m), 739(w), 712(w), 681(w), 628(w).. Elemental analysis Calcd (%) for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_6\text{S}$ : C 54.92, H 4.23, N 29.58; Found: C 54.87, H 4.18, N 29.53.

**Single-Crystal Structure Determination.** The variable temperature X-ray diffraction data of **1-4** were measured on Agilent Gemini E diffractometer (Mo K $\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{\AA}$ ). The raw frame data for **1 - 4** were integrated into SHELX-format reflection files and corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects using SAINT.<sup>2</sup> Corrections for incident and

diffracted beam absorption effects were applied using SADABS.<sup>2</sup> The crystals showed no evidence of crystal decay during data collection. The structures were solved by a combination of direct methods and difference Fourier syntheses and refined against  $F^2$  by the full-matrix least squares technique, using the SHELXTL software package.<sup>3</sup> The asymmetric unit contains the Cu atom, one coordinated  $C_{13}H_{12}N_6S$  ligand, a uncoordinated  $SO_3CF_3^-$  of crystallization. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. Hydrogen atoms attached to refined atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions and refined using a riding model. Crystal data, data collection parameters, and refinement statistics for **1**, **2**, **3** and **4** are listed in Tables 1.

**Table S1.** Crystal data collection and structure refinement for compounds **1-4**.

compound	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
empirical formula	$C_{28}H_{24}CuF_6N_{12}O_6S_4$	$C_{28}H_{24}CuF_6N_{12}O_6S_4$	$C_{28}H_{24}CuF_6N_{12}O_6S_4$	$C_{28}H_{24}CuF_6N_{12}O_6S_4$
formula weight	930.37	930.37	930.37	930.37
temp (K)	298(2)	323(2)	353(2)	298(2)
crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
space group	$P2(1)/n$	$P2(1)/n$	$P2(1)/n$	$P2(1)/n$
a (Å)	9.2150(3)	9.2224(7)	9.2249(9)	9.2121(8)
b (Å)	18.8491(5)	18.8786(13)	18.8564(13)	18.8386(13)
c (Å)	10.4290(3)	10.4661(8)	10.4413(11)	10.4187
$\alpha$ (deg)	90	90	90	90
$\beta$ (deg)	100.392(3)	100.366(7)	100.292(10)	100.408(9)

$\gamma$ (deg)	90	90	90	90
$V$ ( $\text{\AA}^3$ )	1781.75(10)	1792.5(2)	1787.0(3)	1778.3(3)
$Z$	2	2	2	2
$\rho_{\text{calc}}$ ( $\text{g}/\text{cm}^3$ )	1.734	1.724	1.729	1.737
$F(000)$	942	942	942	942
data/restraints/params	3318 / 1 / 259	3348 / 0 / 259	3332 / 0 / 259	3312 / 0 / 259
GOF on $F^2$	1.048	1.081	1.079	1.060
final R indices [ $I >$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0333$	$R_1 = 0.0434$	$R_1 = 0.0444$	$R_1 = 0.0488$
$2\sigma(\text{I})$	wR2 = 0.0725	wR2 = 0.0823	wR2 = 0.0874	wR2 = 0.0847

**Table S2.** Interatomic Distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and Bond Angles ( $^\circ$ ) with esds () for **1**.

Cu(1)-N(3)=1.9754(18)	Cu(1)-N(3)#1=1.9754(18)	Cu(1)-N(2)#2=2.126(2)
Cu(1)-N(2)#3=2.126(2)	Cu(1)-N(1)#1=2.390(2)	Cu(1)-N(1)=2.390(2)
N(2)-Cu(1)#4=2.126(2)		
N(3)-Cu(1)-N(3)#1 = 180.00(7)	N(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)#2 = 90.45(8)	
N(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(2)#2 = 89.55(8)	N(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)#3 = 89.55(8)	
N(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(2)#3 = 90.45(8)	N(2)#2-Cu(1)-N(2)#3 = 180.00(9)	
N(3)-Cu(1)-N(1)#1 = 105.09(7)	N(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(1)#1 = 74.91(7)	
N(2)#2-Cu(1)-N(1)#1 = 87.29(7)	N(2)#3-Cu(1)-N(1)#1 = 92.71(7)	
N(3)-Cu(1)-N(1) = 74.91(7)	N(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(1) = 105.09(7)	
N(2)#2-Cu(1)-N(1) = 92.71(7)	N(2)#3-Cu(1)-N(1) = 87.29(7)	
N(1)#1-Cu(1)-N(1) = 180.0	C(1)-N(1)-C(5) = 117.6(2)	
C(1)-N(1)-Cu(1) = 131.84(19)	C(5)-N(1)-Cu(1) = 110.19(15)	
C(12)-N(2)-C(13) = 117.7(2)	C(12)-N(2)-Cu(1)#4 = 119.20(16)	
C(13)-N(2)-Cu(1)#4 = 123.11(17)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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

**Table S3.** Interatomic Distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and Bond Angles ( $^\circ$ ) with esds () for **2**.

$\text{Cu(1)-N(3)} = 1.977(2)$	$\text{Cu(1)-N(3)\#1} = 1.977(2)$	$\text{Cu(1)-N(2)\#2} = 2.132(3)$
$\text{Cu(1)-N(2)\#3} = 2.132(3)$	$\text{Cu(1)-N(1)} = 2.380(3)$	$\text{Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 2.380(3)$
$\text{N(2)-Cu(1)\#4} = 2.132(3)$		
$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(3)\#1} = 180.00(14)$	$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)\#2} = 90.51(10)$	
$\text{N(3)\#1-Cu(1)-N(2)\#2} = 89.49(10)$	$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)\#3} = 89.49(10)$	
$\text{N(3)\#1-Cu(1)-N(2)\#3} = 90.51(10)$	$\text{N(2)\#2-Cu(1)-N(2)\#3} = 180.00(11)$	
$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(1)} = 74.98(10)$	$\text{N(3)\#1-Cu(1)-N(1)} = 105.02(10)$	
$\text{N(2)\#2-Cu(1)-N(1)} = 92.72(10)$	$\text{N(2)\#3-Cu(1)-N(1)} = 87.28(10)$	
$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 105.02(10)$	$\text{N(3)\#1-Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 74.98(10)$	
$\text{N(2)\#2-Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 87.28(10)$	$\text{N(2)\#3-Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 92.72(10)$	
$\text{N(1)-Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 180.0$		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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

**Table S4.** Interatomic Distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and Bond Angles ( $^\circ$ ) with esds () for **3**.

$\text{Cu(1)-N(3)} = 1.970(2)$	$\text{Cu(1)-N(3)\#1} = 1.970(2)$	$\text{Cu(1)-N(2)\#2} = 2.140(3)$
$\text{Cu(1)-N(2)\#3} = 2.140(3)$	$\text{Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 2.372(3)$	$\text{Cu(1)-N(1)} = 2.372(3)$
$\text{N(2)-Cu(1)\#4} = 2.140(3)$		
$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(3)\#1} = 180.00(10)$	$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)\#2} = 89.36(10)$	
$\text{N(3)\#1-Cu(1)-N(2)\#2} = 90.64(10)$	$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)\#3} = 90.64(10)$	
$\text{N(3)\#1-Cu(1)-N(2)\#3} = 89.36(10)$	$\text{N(2)\#2-Cu(1)-N(2)\#3} = 180.0$	
$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 104.87(10)$	$\text{N(3)\#1-Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 75.13(10)$	
$\text{N(2)\#2-Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 92.95(10)$	$\text{N(2)\#3-Cu(1)-N(1)\#1} = 87.05(10)$	
$\text{N(3)-Cu(1)-N(1)} = 75.13(10)$	$\text{N(3)\#1-Cu(1)-N(1)} = 104.87(10)$	
$\text{N(2)\#2-Cu(1)-N(1)} = 87.05(10)$	$\text{N(2)\#3-Cu(1)-N(1)} = 92.95(10)$	
$\text{N(1)\#1-Cu(1)-N(1)} = 180.00(10)$		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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

**Table S5.** Interatomic Distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and Bond Angles ( $^\circ$ ) with esds () for **4**.

Cu(1)-N(3)#1=1.972(3)	Cu(1)-N(3)=1.972(3)	Cu(1)-N(2)#2=2.121(3)
Cu(1)-N(2)#3=2.121(3)	Cu(1)-N(1)=2.387(3)	Cu(1)-N(1)#1=2.387(3)
N(2)-Cu(1)#4=2.121(3)		
N(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(3) = 180.00(12)	N(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(2)#2 = 89.52(12)	
N(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)#2 = 90.48(12)	N(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(2)#3 = 90.48(12)	
N(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)#3 = 89.52(12)	N(2)#2-Cu(1)-N(2)#3 = 180.00(12)	
N(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(1) = 105.19(11)	N(3)-Cu(1)-N(1) = 74.81(11)	
N(2)#2-Cu(1)-N(1) = 92.77(11)	N(2)#3-Cu(1)-N(1) = 87.23(11)	
N(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(1)#1 = 74.81(11)	N(3)-Cu(1)-N(1)#1 = 105.19(11)	
N(2)#2-Cu(1)-N(1)#1 = 87.23(11)	N(2)#3-Cu(1)-N(1)#1 = 92.77(11)	
N(1)-Cu(1)-N(1)#1 = 180.000(1)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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

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